Update on ZH \rightarrow Z + $\gamma\gamma$ Simulation Studies –12/19/06

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Goal of this SIR project

- SIR = Student Inquiry and Research,
 which juniors at IMSA need to partake
- This project involves 22 Wednesdays between Aug 30 and April 11. Now is the Winter break
- Goal is ILC Simulation/Physics study
- We are looking into the process

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ZH \rightarrow Z + \gamma \gamma; First looking at ZH \rightarrow vv + \gamma \gamma
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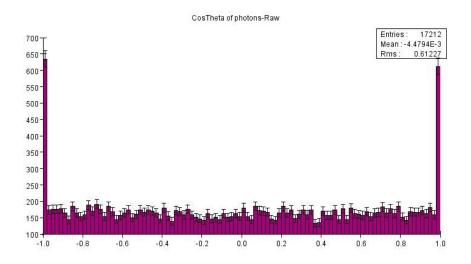
Datasets (Thanks to TB)

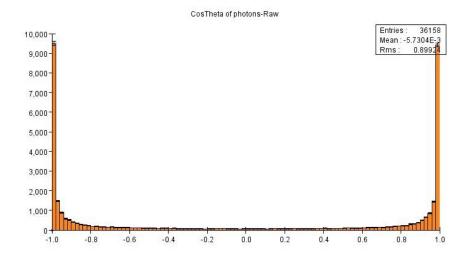
- Signal : ZH $\rightarrow vv + \gamma\gamma$ (Higgs Mass 120 Gev)
- Backgrounds : $vv + \gamma\gamma$ (Mostly $Z + \gamma\gamma$)
- At this moment, we are doing parton level studies (no simulation); will move to FASTMC soon.

First level Cuts

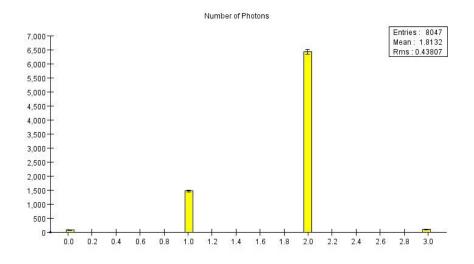
- Follow 11/2000 DESY Study of Boos et. al
- Requires 2 γ 's with Energy > 20 GeV and $|Cos(\theta)| < 0.9$ (about 25°)
- Requires M($\gamma\gamma$) with $|Cos(\theta)| < 0.8 (34 °)$

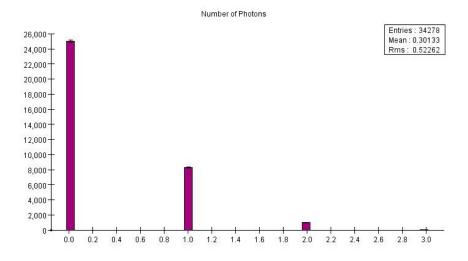
 Cos(θ) of γ's for Signal(Top) and Background(Bottom)





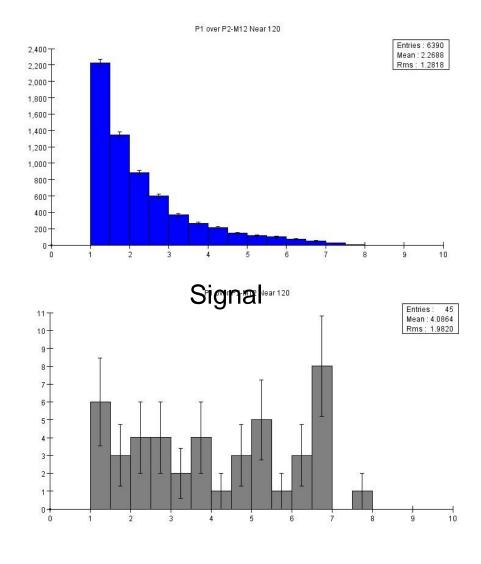
 Number of γ's in Signal (Top) and Background(Bottom) satisfying Energy and Cos(θ) cuts





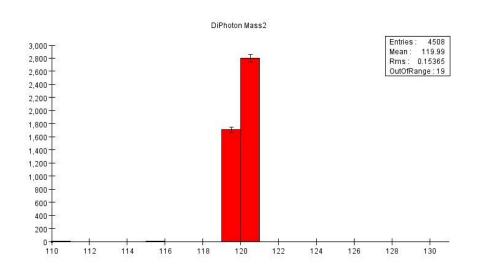
E1/E2 plots

E1/E2 distributions
 (Highest Et γ over
 Lower Et γ) for those
 Diphoton mass between
 117 and 123 GeV

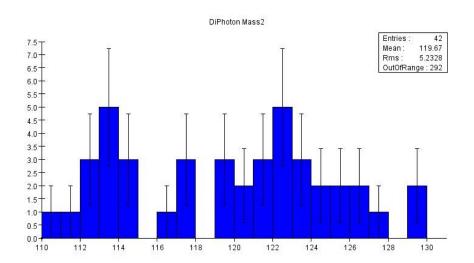


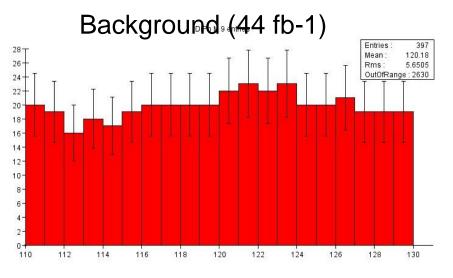
Background

$M(\gamma\gamma)$ for E1/E2 < 4 in addition



Signal (50,500 fb-1)





Background(Smoothed)(400 fb-1)

To Do

- FASTMC
- Neural Net (Improve S/B)??
- ZH \rightarrow qq + $\gamma\gamma$ (much more difficult—have to deal with real photons inside jets—need to implement photon selection criteria such as isolation, etc.)
- Other non-γ backgrounds

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