$\mathbf{H} \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ Branching Ratio

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Introduction

• Background Sources.

Summary

$H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$:

- Rare decay (Br \approx 0.003), it was not included in LOI.
- The aim of the analysis is the estimation of branching ratio precision (to be included in DBD).
- Small branching ratio: no so much events expected:

 \rightarrow cross section for $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH$ at $\sqrt{s} = 250 \ GeV/c^2$: $\sigma \approx 332 \ fb$

 \rightarrow Expected signal events in *L* = 250 fb⁻¹: $N = \sigma \times L \times Br(H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma) \approx 249$ • Produced by: $e^+e^-
ightarrow ZH$

- Three different topologies attending the Z decay:
 - $Z \rightarrow I^+I^-$
 - $Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$
 - $Z \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu}$

• Samples: Using the LOI samples ($\sqrt{s} = 250 \ GeV/c^2$).



- Blue points: muons
- Red points: electrons
- polarization (e⁺,e⁻):(+1,-1)

• |M(e, e) - massZ| < 30,|recoilM - massH| < 30, $|M(\gamma, \gamma) - massH| < 30$

Muons are cluster in region < 0.5
 Electrons concentrate around 1.



- Blue points: photons
- Red points: neutral particles (NO photons)
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- In this analysis the expected signal events is low.
- \rightarrow Optimization is crucial to get good background rejection.

Following cuts applied:

- $|cos(\theta^*)(\gamma)| < 0.9$
- Energy inside γ cone < 5 GeV
- $|cos(\theta^*)(H)| < 0.9$
- $-0.9 < cos(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) < -0.3$
- *P*_t > 20 *GeV*/*c*

 Following plots are preliminary (No final selection yet: cuts should be optimized)

Background Sources $Z \rightarrow l^+ l^-$

- Large contribution from 3 photons final states.
- No optimization of selection cuts yet.



Background Sources $Z \rightarrow qq$

- Large contribution from 2 lepton final states.
- No optimization of selection cuts yet.



Background Sources $Z \rightarrow \nu \nu$

- Large contribution from 3 photons final states.
- No optimization of selection cuts yet.



- $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$: Estimation of branching ratio precision for the DBD.
- Quite challenging: Small signal expected due to tiny branching ratio.

Outlook

- Optimization of the selection cuts.
- Proceed with the estimation of the branching ratio precision.