

### Angular Distribution in the CM Frame of Direct Photons at CMS

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Tracking System: Detects charged particles

Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECAL): Detects electrons, photons

Hadronic Calorimeter (HCAL): Detects jets (hadrons)

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#### **Previous Measurements**





# Introduction



- $2 \rightarrow 2$  process, massless approximation
  - Outgoing particles are back-to-back in the CM frame



 $\theta^*$  is the angle between the outgoing partons and the beam axis. The goal of this analysis is to measure  $\cos\theta^*$  and compare with NLO QCD

### **Direct Photons**



Direct photons originate from the hard scatter in proton-proton collisions



Angular distribution in CM frame directly linked to  $|\mathcal{M}|^2$ 

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# Selection

- Data taken During March-November 2010, 36 pb<sup>-1</sup>
- Event Selection  $(1 \gamma + 1 \text{ jet})$ 
  - Veto beam gas interactions, beam scraping
  - Require good quality primary vertex
- Photon ID
  - $p_T^{\gamma} > 25 \text{ GeV}$
  - $|\eta^{\gamma}| < 1.4442$
  - $Energy_{hadronic}/Energy_{EM} < 0.05$
  - Veto Tracker Pixel Match (electrons)
  - Isolation
    - Hollow Cone Track Isolation < 2.0+0.001 $p_T^{\gamma}$
    - Electromagnetic Isolation < 4.2+0.001 $p_T^{\gamma}$
    - Hadronic Isolation <  $2.2+0.003p_T^{\gamma}$
- Jet ID



 $\Delta R_i = 0.06, \Delta R_o =$ 

0.4

### **Photon Discriminant**



# $\bullet \sigma_{i\eta i\eta}$ is the shower width of a photon candidate in $\eta$

•Shows strong discriminating power for signal and background

•Background template obtained through a data-driven technique

> •Use a variable normally cut to select signal and invert to select background

–Hollow Cone Track Isolation

•Plot Integral, take the difference at each point...point of largest difference is boundary location



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Integral

### Background Estimation in Data

- Two-bin purity technique
- Similar to ABCD method:
  - Divide space into 4 regions
  - Assumes A/C = B/D and
    B/D can be determined
    from data





### **Background** Estimate





$$P = \frac{f_{data} - f_{bkg}}{f_{sig} - f_{bkg}}$$

We parameterize the dependence on  $p_{\rm T}$ 

Employ weighting on an event-byevent basis using equivalent expressions to *P*:

If candidate is below bin boundary

$$w_{-} = \frac{1 - f_{bkg}}{f_{sig} - f_{bkg}}$$

If candidate is above bin boundary

$$W_{+} = \frac{-f_{bkg}}{f_{sig} - f_{bkg}}$$

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### **Preliminary Results**





- Systematic Uncertainties
  - Fit parameters < 10%
  - JES < 5%
  - background shape uncertainty (ongoing)
- Theory
  - J.F. Owens
  - [Phys.Rev. D 42, 61–71 (1990)]
  - CT10 PDF and variations ( band dominated by MC statistics )

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### Summary



- $\cos \theta^*$  is a direct probe into partonic cross section
  - Has not been measured since the early days of the Tevatron
  - Data shows good agreement with NLO QCD Theory
- Sensitivity to PDFs currently under study

   y<sub>boost</sub> may be affected
- Future 2011 analysis plans include studying fragmentation