## Searches for SUSY in Di-photon Events

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# Search for new physics with di-photon + missing transverse energy (MET)



Gauge Mediated Supersymmetry Breaking (GMSB)





See: Meade, Seiberg, and Shih arXiv:0801.3278 and Buican, Meade, Seiberg, and Shih arXiv:0812.3668 2



At the LHC...



Choose to study prompt di-photon signature because

- 1) It is different from other SUSY signatures
- 2) It is a distinctive signature





#### CMS: ideal for di-photon signatures originating from LHC events





The Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS) is one of two all-purpose detectors at the LHC

The electromagnetic calorimeter (ECAL) is a homogenous, hermetic detector with over 74,000 channels, making it well-suited to study signatures with photons and MET



# Methodology – Object Selection

CMS

- Photon selection
  - High energy (>30 GeV for MC, >10 GeV for data)
  - Isolated
    - Sum of track pTs, ECAL energy, HCAL energy in a specified cone around the photon must be small
  - Minimal hadronic energy associated with them.
  - Shower shape cut to discriminate against cosmics and beam halo
  - Timing cut (not too far away from interaction time)
  - No pixel track stub associated to these objects, which indicates a charged track
- Electron selection
  - Identical to photon selection, but requires pixel track stub.





#### Methodology



- Di-photon + MET is one of the early search channels
  - Main challenge is to separate signal from the many backgrounds
  - The di-photon + MET analysis has been developed jets will also be added





# In-depth methodology description illustrated with Monte Carlo Studies

- 10 TeV Monte Carlo samples
  - All applicable backgrounds
  - Signal point: Snowmass Points and Slopes Line 7 with  $\Lambda = 100 \text{ TeV}$ 
    - See hep-ph/0202233v1
    - Neutralino mass = 138.8 GeV
  - Normalized to an integrated luminosity of 100 pb<sup>-1</sup>
- Selected various samples needed for analysis:
  - γγ sample, or candidate sample, comprising events with at east two photons;
  - eγ sample with at least one electron and at least one photon;
  - ee sample with at least two electrons;







## **QCD** Background Strategy





The MET resolution is determined by the hadronic activity in the event because the ECAL resolution, due to the crystals, is better than the HCAL resolution.



Must find a control sample that reproduces the hadronic activity in the candidate sample and has no true MET





- Select Control Sample for QCD background determination
  - $Z \rightarrow ee$  (used in MC plots shown here)
  - "fake-fake" (used in data plots shown here)
    - A "fake" is identical to a photon but with the track isolation requirement flipped so we have essentially EM, non-track-isolated jets.
- Create ratio plot: Σp<sup>+</sup><sub>T</sub> of the two leading photons in candidate sample to Σp<sup>+</sup><sub>T</sub> of the two leading EM objects in control sample (either electrons or fakes)
  - Use to reweight control sample MET distribution.
- Assume no new physics with low values of MET.
  - Scale control sample MET distribution so that the total number of control sample events at low MET is equal to the number in the candidate sample



#### **QCD MC Studies**



Ratio of di-EM pT of candidate ( $\gamma\gamma$ ) to QCD control sample (Z $\rightarrow$ ee) (with fit)

di-EM pT of  $\gamma\gamma$  (candidate) sample (points), and (Z $\rightarrow$ ee) before (red) and after (black) reweighting

## EW Background Strategy

- EW backgrounds are primarily from W<sub>γ</sub> and Wj events where the W decays into an electron and neutrino.
  - If the electron track is not reconstructed, the electron will pass the photon identification and therefore also our event selection.



• Determine the electron-photon mis-identification rate, **f**<sub>ey</sub>, from

 $Z \rightarrow ee events.$ 

- Select two final states, "ee" and "e $\gamma$ " (where the  $\gamma$  is really an electron with a failed track reconstruction).
- Determine number of Z events in each sample (N) by using fit to invariant mass
- Scale  $e_{\gamma}$  EW background according to the mis-identification rate.

If the fake rate were large, would consider ttbar/Drell-Yan events as well. This is not the case.



CMS PAS SUS-09-004, 10 TeV

### MC Studies: MET Distribution



Very good agreement between data-driven estimates and the predicted background.

Method also works for "fakefake" events used at QCD control sample instead of  $Z \rightarrow ee$ 

CMS PAS SUS-09-004, 10 TeV

MC sample	all events	> 80  GeV
$\gamma\gamma$	$1055 \pm 4$	$1.3\pm0.16$
$\gamma$ +jet	$3189 \pm 100$	$1.3\pm0.16$
multijets	$173 \pm 37$	
$t\overline{t}$	$0.12 \pm 0.05$	
$W, W\gamma$	$8.3\pm3.0$	$0.04 \pm 0.04$
$Z, Z\gamma$	$23 \pm 1.3$	$0.06 \pm 0.02$
$W\gamma\gamma$	$0.245 \pm 0.002$	$0.051 \pm 0.001$
$Z\gamma\gamma$	$0.093 \pm 0.001$	$0.031\pm0.001$
Total $SM$	$4449 \pm 108$	$2.78\pm0.24$
GM1c	20.7	14.8

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#### 7 TeV Data Results



Differences with respect to MC analysis:

- 1). Use "fake-fake" in data analysis as opposed to  $Z \rightarrow$  ee events in MC analysis.
- 2). pT cut decreased from data (pT > 10 GeV), different set of triggers
- 3). Shower-shape cut not used
- 4). EW analysis not completed for data analysis due to a lack of statistics.



#### **Data Results**





1. Weight the ff events so that the di-photon pT distribution in the ff sample after reweighting matches the one in the signal sample.

2. Normalize the resulting MET distribution to the observed number of events with MET < 10 GeV in the signal sample.

For MET >20 GeV:

Predicted =  $4.2 \pm 1.5$ Observed = 4 events

CMS PAS SUS-10-001, 7 TeV

Background prediction consistent with number of observed events.



#### Summary



- For this analysis, we have demonstrated the ability to measure all backgrounds in data, increasing our confidence in these methods.
- Future studies will implement a jet requirement.



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#### **BACKUP SLIDES**













#### Photon Cuts Used



#### MC

- ECAL  $E_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$
- ECAL  $E_T$  in the ECAL isolation cone < 0.004 \*  $E_T$  + 4.2 GeV
- HCAL  $E_T$  in HCAL isolation cone <7 GeV H/E < 0.1
- E<sub>T</sub> of the tracks in the track isolation cone < 9 GeV

Cluster width in η, Sqrt(Covηη) < 0.013

#### Data

ECAL  $E_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$ 

- ECAL  $E_T$  in the ECAL isolation cone < 0.004 \*  $E_T$  + 4.2 GeV
- HCAL  $E_T$  in HCAL isolation cone < 0.001 \*  $E_T$  + 2.2 GeV
- H/E < 0.05
- $E_{\rm T}$  of the tracks in the track isolation cone < 0.001 \*  $E_{\rm T}$  + 2.0 GeV
- The seed shower crystal is not allowed to be within η=0.1(≈6 crystals) of the edge of the barrel at η =1.479
- The time of the seed crystal must be within ±3ns of the interaction time.



#### **Isolation Cones**



