Jets produced in association with W and Z bosons in CMS

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A study of W/Z production in association with jets in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV is presented. The results are obtained with data collected by the CMS experiment over the 2010 LHC run, corresponding to an integrated luminosity of about 36 pb⁻¹, and have been published in [1].

Outline of the talk:

- Event selection and jet reconstruction.
- Signal yields extraction.
- Efficiencies measurement.
- Main results: jet multiplicity exclusive cross sections, W/Z ratio.

[1] The CMS Collaboration. *Jet Production Rates in Association with W and Z Bosons in pp Collisions at* $\sqrt{s} = 7$ *TeV.* J. High Energy Phys. (CERN-PH-EP-2011-125).

The reason for W/Z + Jets...



Processes involving QCD + EWK physics with jets, leptons and missing E_{T} in final states.

Calculations are very difficult:

- NLO calculations: available up to 3 (Z) and 4 (W) jets.
- Matrix element + parton shower (common used tool): tree level only.

High theoretical uncertainties: cross-check with data is an **important test for Standard Model**!

Major background to many searches for new physics!

The CMS detector

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Event selection: Z → ee

Events selected in 2010 dataset (~36 pb⁻¹) using the lowest unprescaled single electron trigger: p_T threshold varying from 10 to 17 GeV depending on instantaneous luminosity.

Leading electron:

- transverse momentum: $p_T > 20$ GeV.
- acceptance: $|\eta| < 1.44$ (barrel), or $1.56 < |\eta| < 2.5$ (endcaps).
- matched to trigger candidate.
- **tight** cuts (~80% efficiency) on lepton isolation, identification and conversion rejection variables.

Sub-leading electron:

- transverse momentum: $p_{T} > 10$ GeV.
- Acceptance: |η| < 1.44 (barrel), or 1.56 < |η| < 2.5 (endcaps).
- **loose** cuts (~95% efficiency) on lepton isolation, identification and conversion rejection variables.

 $60 \text{ GeV} < m_{_{ee}} < 120 \text{ GeV}$





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Event selection: $Z \rightarrow \mu \mu$

Events selected in 2010 dataset (~36 pb⁻¹) using the lowest unprescaled single muon trigger: p_T threshold varying from 9 to 15 GeV depending on instantaneous luminosity.

Leading muon:

- transverse momentum: $p_T > 20$ GeV.
- acceptance: $|\eta| < 2.1$.
- matched to trigger candidate.
- well isolated and satisfying quality criteria to avoid muons from secondary decays.

Sub-leading muon:

- transverse momentum: $p_{T} > 10$ GeV.
- acceptance: $|\eta| < 2.4$ (barrel).
- well isolated and satisfying quality criteria to avoid muons from secondary decays.





Event selection: $W \rightarrow \mu v$

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m₋ > 20 GeV



Jet reconstruction

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- Clusterization algorithm: $anti-k_{T}$ (cone size $\Delta R = 0.5$) applied to Particle Flow candidates. Isolated leptons removed from jet collection.
- Acceptance: $|\eta| < 2.4$ (i.e. tracker acceptance).
- Transverse momentum: $p_{_{T}} > 30$ GeV.
- Jet energy is calibrated to remove detector effects (JEC).
- Pile-up contribution to jet energy removed via *FastJet* algorithm.





Signal extraction

Both signal yields estimated with un unbinned ML fit to the M_{\parallel} distribution (Z+Jets sample) and to the M_{\perp} distribution (W+Jets sample).

Z+Jets sample:

- background (mainly W+Jets and ttbar) is very low and non-peaking: exponential parametrization.
- Z peak signal: asymmetric gaussian parametrization.





Efficiencies

Efficiencies are measured as a function of **# jets**, with a data-driven Tag&Probe method on a sample of Z candidates.

Contributions to the global efficiency:

- High Level Trigger (only one leg)
- Reconstruction process
- Offline selection

Signal yields are extracted from the distribution of events with a passing probe and a failing probe:





Simultaneous fit, with the efficiency as a floating parameter:

 $\epsilon_{tot} = \epsilon_{HLT} \times \epsilon_{RECO} \times \epsilon_{Offline}$

n passing $n_{passing} + n_{failing}$

Left tail parameter of signal distribution is estimated from simulations. For # jets > 2 multiplicity bins (few statistics), use parameters estimated from lower jet multiplicities.

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Results: Z + Jets

Exclusive cross sections as a function of the number of associated jets: all the results are presented in terms of ratios, in order to reduce systematics.



• Yields corrected with **efficiencies** calculated on data and **unfolded** to remove detector effects.

• Results are compared with PYTHIA (PS only) and PYTHIA+MadGraph (ME+PS)

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Results: W + Jets

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• Matrix element calculation yields a good agreement with data: scaling between exclusive jet multiplicity cross sections is well behaved.

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Results: cross section scaling

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Results: W/Z ratio

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• Event selection needs to be consistent between the W and Z (first leg) candidates.

• W/Z ratio is independent from the jet multiplicity.

Good agreement with Standard Model predictions!

Conclusions

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In this talk:

- Most relevant steps of the W/Z + Jets event selection and analysis.
- Main results with 2010 dataset (~36 pb⁻¹): many other interesting measurements have been done.
- (e.g. dedicated poster: "Measurements of associated production of vector bosons and heavy flavours with the CMS detector" S. Casasso)

In the future:

- Exciting new results are expected with 2011(-2012) data: differential cross sections, angular correlations, etc. etc.
- Fascinating new challenges expected with the analyis of 2011(-2012) data (high luminosity and pile-up, complex triggers...): stay tuned!