Recent results from the CMS SMP-V group

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Introduction

- CMS SMP-V (vector boson) group studies production and decay of W and Z bosons, mediator particles of the weak nuclear force
- Very massive: 80.4 and 91.2 GeV (proton mass is 0.938 GeV)
- Production mostly via quark anti-quark annihilation, Z interferes with photon in $q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ ("Drell-Yan" process)
- Precision measurements in weak sector may give hints to BSM
 Talk by Vytautas



W decays

- $\blacksquare 32.6\% \ W^{\pm} \rightarrow \ell^{\pm} + \nu_{\ell}$
- 67.4% $W^{\pm}
 ightarrow q ar q'$ (different flavor)
- Z decays
 - 10.1% $Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$
 - 20% $Z \rightarrow \nu \nu$
 - 69.9% Z
 ightarrow q ar q (same flavor)



Muon reconstruction



- Muons reconstructed from both inner tracker and muon system
- Identification criteria using track quality, need to be compatible with primary vertex
- Trigger paths targeting specific resonances, excellent resolution
- Calibration from J/Ψ , Y, and $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events, precision $\ll 0.1\%$
- Efficiencies from tag&probe method \rightarrow Poster by Normunds

PAS-SMP-14-007

Electrons

CMS EGM-17-001



- Electrons are light and lose energy through photon radiation
- Recover bremsstrahlung: "mustache" supercluster, "GSF" tracking algorithm, supercluster refinement (additional conversion and bremsstrahlung clusters)
- ID criteria include SC-to-track matching, HCAL/ECAL energy, isolation
- \blacksquare Energy regression using BDT based on shower shape and PU density (up to \sim 8%)
- Efficiencies and calibration from $Z \rightarrow ee$ events, precision 0.1% (0.3%) in barrel (endcap)

Missing transverse momentum



Luminosity and "pileup"

- Luminosity (event rate) key parameter of collider
- High instantaneous luminosity → multiple pp interactions per bunch crossing ("pileup")



- Tracking copes well: tracks assigned to distinct interaction vertices
- Calorimeters: energy deposits overlap and cannot be distinguished
- Phase-2 upgrade for high-lumi LHC: MIP timing detector \rightarrow 4D vertexing Talk by Karlis , endcap calorimeters with cluster timing (HGCAL)
- Multiple methods to measure luminosity, calibration using beam-separation (vdM) scans
- Integrated luminosity \mathcal{L} gives total expected events per year, known to 1.2-2.5%

CMS PAS-LUM-17-004 CMS PAS-LUM-18-002

W and Z production at 5 and 13 $\ensuremath{\text{TeV}}$



Production cross section $\sigma = N^{obs} / (A \cdot \epsilon \cdot \mathcal{L})$

• $N^{\text{obs}} = \text{observed events}, A = \text{acceptance}, \epsilon = \text{efficiency}, \mathcal{L} = \text{integrated luminosity}$

- Z boson fully reconstructed from 2 charged leptons, W boson partially from lepton + p_{T}^{miss}
- Measurement in low-PU data: $\langle N_{PU} \rangle = 3 \rightarrow \text{better } p_{T}^{\text{miss}}$ resolution
- Fitting signal strength of MC predictions to data, backgrounds from MC or data sidebands

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PAS-SMP-20-004

W and Z production at 5 and 13 TeV



5 TeV results (left)

- 5 TeV predictions depend strongly on proton PDF
- Prediction with NNPDF3.1 (=CMS default) in good agreement with measurement
- W^+/W^- ratio in good agreemnt; W^\pm/Z higher than predicted
- 13 TeV results (right)
 - Measurement 5% above prediction, not covered by uncertainties (mostly lumi)

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Z production at 13.6 TeV



Preliminary calibrations for muon efficiency, muon momentum scale, and luminosity

- Excellent agreement with NNLO prediction for $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ with $60 < m(\ell\ell) < 120 \text{ GeV}$ $(\sigma_{\text{tot}}\mathcal{B})_{\text{measured}} = (2.010 \pm 0.001(\text{stat}) \pm 0.018(\text{syst}) \pm 0.046(\text{lumi}) \pm 0.007(\text{theo})) \text{ nb},$
 - $(\sigma_{\rm tot} \mathcal{B})_{\rm predicted} = (2.018 \pm 0.012 ({\rm PDF})^{+0.018}_{-0.023} ({\rm scale})) \, {\rm nb},$
- Suggests that 13 TeV result is an outlier

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Differential DY cross section

• Measurement of Z/γ^* transverse momentum p_T in bins of invariant mass



- Measured with extremely good precision (< 2%)
- Shape at low p_T difficult to predict but very important for measurement of m_W

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SMP-20-003

Invisible Z width

- Measure $Z \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu}$ in events with large missing $p_{\rm T}$ and jets
- Using observable $U = p_T^{\text{miss}}$ or hadronic recoil (in dilepton events), U > 200 GeV



- \blacksquare $\ell{+}{\rm jets}$ control region \rightarrow W+jets background prediction
- Signal shape from $(Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-)$ +jets region
- QCD multijet from events where missing $p_{\rm T}$ in direction of a jet

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SMP-18-01

Invisible Z width

CMS SMP-18-014

• Determine invisible width as $\Gamma(Z \to \nu \bar{\nu}) = \mathcal{B}(Z \to \nu \bar{\nu}) / \mathcal{B}(Z \to \ell^+ \ell^-) \times \Gamma(Z \to \ell^+ \ell^-)$



- Uncertainties mainly from lepton identification and jet energy scale
- Single most precise measurement of $\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu})$, competitive with LEP combination
- Compatible with Standard Model, no sign of Z decays to unknown light fermions

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Tau polarization

- Z couples preferably to left-handed particles (ℓ_L^-) and right-handed anti-particles (ℓ_R^+) \rightarrow Polarization $\mathcal{P}_{\tau} = \left(\sigma \left(Z \rightarrow \tau_R^- \tau_L^+\right) - \sigma \left(Z \rightarrow \tau_L^- \tau_R^+\right)\right) / \sigma \left(Z \rightarrow \tau^- \tau^+\right)$
- \blacksquare Subsequent tau decay angles depend on τ spin \to allows for measurement of \mathcal{P}_{τ}



- Extracted asymmetry $A_{ au} = -\mathcal{P}_{ au}$ agrees well with previous measurements
- Effective weak mixing angle determined as $\sin^2 \theta_W^{\text{eff}} = (-\mathcal{P}_{\tau}/2 + 1)/4 = 0.2319 \pm 0.0019$ \rightarrow agrees with world average $\sin^2 \theta_W^{\text{eff}} = 0.23153 \pm 0.00016$

SMP-18-010

$Z \rightarrow 4$ leptons

Select events with 4 electrons or muons and $80 < m(4\ell) < 100 \, \text{GeV}$



- \blacksquare Minimize uncertainties by normalizing to $Z \to 2\ell$ process
- Measured $\mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow 4\ell) = (4.67 \pm 0.11 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.10 \text{ (syst)}) \times 10^{-6}$, expected $(4.70 \pm 0.02) \times 10^{-6}$
- Translates to competitive limits on couplings and mass of new light gauge boson U
- \blacksquare Decay kinematics (masses and angles) \rightarrow in agreement with prediction

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Search for $Z \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^- \mu^+ \mu^-$

• Target $Z \to \tau^+ \tau^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ where $\tau \to \mu \bar{\nu_{\mu}} \nu_{\tau} \Rightarrow 4$ muon events

• Energy loss from neutrinos lowers invariant mass $m(4\mu)$



No signal observed, data in signal region even smaller than prediction

• Branching ratio must be smaller than $6.9 \times \text{prediction}$ [95% CL]

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Lepton flavor universality

- Measured branching fractions of the W boson to electrons, muons, taus, and quarks
- Fit to (subleading) lepton p_T in 12 signal categories, exploits subtle changes in spectrum



Consistent with lepton flavor universality for the weak interaction

Summary

Very active research program in CMS SMP-V group

- W/Z production rates agree (mostly) with the expectations
 CMS PAS-SMP-20-004
 CMS PAS-SMP-22-017
- Differential DY cross sections more precise than current predictions
 CMS SMP-20-003
- Measurements of challenging and rare Z decays in agreement with predictions CMS_SMP-18-014_CMS_SMP-18-010_CMS_PAS-SMP-19-007_CMS_PAS-SMP-22-016
- No sign for violation of lepton flavor universality in W decays
 CMS SMP-18-011

Outlook



Stay tuned for more precision measurements from CMS!

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