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# Vector boson production in association with jets

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## Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements:



## Motivation

- ▶ With V+jets we can probe different aspects of QCD calculations
- V+jets precision measurement is crucial for deep understanding and modeling of QCD interactions
- ▶ V+jets is dominant background for:
  - top quark measurements
  - ▶ Higgs physics -VH (H→bb)
  - searches of new particles
- Understanding differences between QCD and EWK production
- Comparisons of data with predictions allows further Monte Carlo generator development and determination of systematic uncertainties.

## Theoretical prediction for cross section for Z+jets

- ► MADGRAPH5\_AMC@NLO + PYTHIA8 (denoted as LO MG5\_aMC)
  - LO matrix element up to 4 partons
  - $\blacktriangleright~k_T$  -MLM merging between matrix element and parton shower
  - ▶ NNPDF3.0 LO PDF, CUETP8M1 Pythia8 tune



► MADGRAPH5\_AMC@NLO + PYTHIA8 (denoted as NLO MG5\_aMC)

- ▶ NLO matrix element up to 2 partons (LO accuracy for 3 partons)
- FxFx jet merging between matrix element and parton shower
- ▶ NNPDF3.0 NLO PDF, CUETP8M1 Pythia8 tune



► Z+1 jet fixed order NNLO

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- Correction for hadronization and multiple parton interaction computed with NLO MG5\_aMC+ PYTHIA8 as differential scaling factors
- ▶ CT14 PDF
- ► Geneva 1.0-RC2 + Pythia8
  - NNLO+NNLL'
  - $\blacktriangleright$  Use n-jettiness to separate N-jet and inclusive (N+1)-jet region, here  $\tau_0$  and  $\tau_1$
  - ▶  $\tau_0$  (≡ beam-thrust) dependence resummed at NNLL'
  - ►  $d\sigma_{\geq 0j}$  at NNLO,  $d\sigma_{\geq 1j}$  at NLO,  $d\sigma_{\geq 2j}$  at LO
  - PDF4LHC15 NNLO, CUETP8M1 Pythia8 tune

Samples	Oj	1j	2j	3j	4j	>4j	Used cross section [pb]
LO MG5_aMC	LO	LO	LO	LO	LO	$\mathbf{PS}$	5787 (FEWZ NNLO)
NLO MG5_aMC	NLO	NLO	NLO	LO	$\mathbf{PS}$	$\mathbf{PS}$	5931 (native)
Geneva	NNLO	NLO	LO	$\mathbf{PS}$	$\mathbf{PS}$	$\mathbf{PS}$	5940 (native)
Z+1 jet at NNLO	-	NNLO	(NLO)	(LO)	-	-	

Z ( $\rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ )+jets at 13 TeV (arXiv:1804.05252)

▶ Integrated luminosity of 2.19 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Phase Space at Generator Level:

 $\begin{array}{l} \blacktriangleright \quad p_{\mathrm{T}}(\ell) \geq 20 \ \mathrm{GeV}, \ |\eta(\ell)| \leq 2.4 \ \mathrm{and} \\ 71 \leq m_{\ell^+\ell^-} \leq 111 \ \mathrm{GeV} \end{array}$ 

▶ 
$$p_{\rm T}(j) \ge 30 \,\, {
m GeV}, \, |y(j)| \le 2.4, \, \Delta R(j, \ell) > 0.4$$

Bin-to-bin migration due to limited detector resolution corrected using unfolding method



Signal: NLO MG5\_aMC

Njets

Leading jet p<sub>T</sub>:

### Subleading jet $p_T$ :



NLO correction is needed to describe the measurements (jet  $p_{\rm T}$  shape)

GENEVA (NNLL'+NNLO) describes the data up to  $N_{jets}=2$  but but fails to describe the data for higher jet multiplicities

Z+1 jet fixed order NNLO and NLO MG5\_aMC describe data; improved precision for NNLO calculation

LO MG5\_aMC+ Pythia8 predicted distribution differs from the

measurement

## Transverse momentum of the Z boson for $N_{ m jets} \ge 1$



At least one jet requirement shifts the peak toward the higher value  $\rightarrow$  possibility of studying multiple gluon emissions away from the non-perturbative region



### Small $p_{\rm T}$ :

- all samples are interfaced with Pythia8 with CUETP8M1 tune
- ▶ NLO MG5\_aMC is best in describing the data
- GENEVA is below the data but bescribes the shape of the distribution below 10 GeV. GENEVA is LO below the jet cut (30 GeV)

### High $p_{T}$ :

- ► GENEVA and NLO MG5\_aMC describe the data
- LO MG5\_aMC shows different shape from data

## Correlation observables

▶  $p_{\rm T}$  balance between the Z boson and the vector sum of the jets:

 $p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{bal}} = |\vec{p_{\mathrm{T}}}(\mathrm{Z}) + \sum_{\mathrm{jets}} \vec{p_{\mathrm{T}}}(\mathrm{j}_{i})|, \text{ for } N_{\mathrm{jets}} \ge 1,2,3$ 

The imbalance is caused by:

- ▶ hadronic activity outside the jet acceptance  $(p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}, |y| < 2.4 \text{ which is dominant contribution})$
- gluon radiation in the central region, not clustered in a jet



 $N_{\rm jets} \ge 1$ 





Imbalance (large  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm bal}$ ) from two jets in the final state with one of them out of the acceptance - NLO accuracy for NLO MG5\_aMC sample and LO accuracy for other samples

Large  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm bal}$ : at least 2 jets in the acceptance and one is out GENEVA: 3rd jet is from PS

LO MG5\_aMC and NLO MG5\_aMC provide reasonable description of the data

 $\rightarrow$  NLO correction is important for the description of hadronic activity beyond the jet acceptance used in this analysis

# $W(\rightarrow \mu\nu)$ +jets at 13 TeV (Phys.Rev.D 96 (2017) 072005)

▶ Integrated luminosity of 2.2 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Phase Space at Generator Level:

- ▶  $p_{\rm T}(\mu) \ge 25 \text{ GeV}, |\eta(\mu)| \le 2.4 \text{ and } M_{\rm T}(W) > 50 \text{ GeV}$
- $p_{\rm T}(j) \ge 30 \text{ GeV}, |y(j)| \le 2.4, \\ \Delta R(j, \mu) > 0.4$

Bin-to-bin migration due to limited detector resolution corrected using unfolding method

Theoretical prediction for cross section:

- ► LO MG5\_aMC+ Pythia8
- NLO MG5\_aMC+ Pythia8
- ▶ W+1 jet fixed order NNLO



- ▶ Correction for hadronization and multiple parton interaction computed with NLO MG5\_aMC+ PYTHIA8 as differentiaal scaling factors
- ▶ NNPDF 3.0 NNLO PDF



Signal: NLO MG5\_aMC



NLO MG5\_aMC+Pythia8 LO MG5\_aMC+Pythia8 W+1 jet fixed order NNLO

- ▶ LO MG5\_aMC underestimates data at low and moderate  $p_T$  of leading jet and  $H_T$
- ▶ NLO MG5\_aMC and W+1 jet fixed order NNLO perform better for leading jet  $p_T$  and  $H_T$

# Angular variables: $\Delta \phi(\mu, \text{jet})$ and $\Delta R(\mu, \text{closest jet})$

- $\Delta\phi(\mu, \text{jet})$  is sensitive to the implementation of particle emissions and other (non)perturbative effects modeled by PS algorithms in event generators
- ▶  $\Delta R(\mu, \text{closest jet})$  probes contribution of electroweak radiative processes to W+jets



- $\Delta \phi(\mu, \text{jet})$ : all predictions accurately describe the data
- $\Delta R(\mu, \text{closest jet})$ : predictions are in fairly good agreement with data within the uncertainties

# EWK Z + 2 jets 13 TeV (arXiv:1712.09814)

▶ Pure EW Z  $(\rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-)$  + 2-jets final state



Electroweak production

Strong production

Properties of EW Zjj signal events:

- well-separated jets in rapidity with large m<sub>jj</sub>, and a central decay of a Z boson
  - suppressed color flow in the region between the two jets (low hadronic activity in the rapidity interval)
- ▶ Integrated luminosity of 35.9 fb<sup>-1</sup>
- The first observation for this process at 13 TeV
- ▶ Cross section measured in the kinematic region defined as:  $p_{\rm T}(j) > 25 \text{ GeV}, m_{jj} > 120 \text{ GeV}, m_{\ell^+\ell^-} > 50 \text{ GeV}$

## **BDT** variables

Several discriminating variables used to achieve the best separation between DY Z+2jet and EW Z+2jet signal.



#### Discriminating variables:

$$\begin{split} & \mathbf{m}_{jj}, \, \Delta \eta_{jj}, \, R(p_T^{\mathrm{hard}}), \, z^*(Z), \\ & \rho_{Tjj}, \, \mathrm{quark/gluon} \, \mathrm{likelihood} \\ & (\mathrm{QGL}) \, \mathrm{of} \, \mathrm{the} \, \mathrm{two} \, \mathrm{tagging} \, \mathrm{jets} \\ & R(p_T^{\mathrm{hard}}) = \frac{|\vec{p}_{Tj_1} + \vec{p}_{Tj_2} + \vec{p}_{TZ}|}{|\vec{p}_{Tj_1}| + |\vec{p}_{Tj_2}| + |\vec{p}_{TZ}|} \\ & y^* = y_Z - \frac{1}{2}(y_{j1} + y_{j2}) \\ & z^* = \frac{y^*}{\Delta y_{jj}} \end{split}$$

MG5\_aMC+ Pythia8:

EW Zjj (LO MG5\_aMC) DY Zjj (NLO MG5\_aMC) DY Zjj (LO MG5\_aMC)

Good agreement between data and MC predictions



 $\mathrm{BDT} > 0.92 =>$  region with 50% EW Zjj

►  $\sigma(\text{EW} \ \ell \ell j j) = 552 \pm 19(\text{stat}) \pm 55(\text{syst}) \text{ fb}$ in agreement with SM LO prediction by MG5\_aMC+PYTHIA8

**Gap veto efficiency:** fraction of events with a measured gap activity below a given threshold.

Data disfavour bgd only predictions;

Bkg+Signal model with HERWIG do better at low gap activity values

HERWIG and PYTHIA8 describe larger gap activity

### Signal extraction:

Distribution of BDT discriminant used to extract cross-section.

Shown envelopes for dominant uncertainties: JES and QCD scales.

Simultaneous fit of EW and QCD component in the signal (high BDT) and control (low BDT) regions.



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## Outlook

The measurements of vector boson plus jets processes are quite important:

- deepen our knowledge of QCD and EW dynamics
- improve the modeling of the production mechanism involved in Higgs boson measurement and new physics searches

### Z/W+jets

- high experimental precision (5% total uncertainty for the cross section in the exclusive jet multiplicity of one) exposes data-predictions discrepancies
- ▶ NLO is essential to describe jet multiplicity, transverse momentum of the leading jet and Z boson
- NNLO ME models are available with significantly reduced theory uncertainties
  - current precision of the measurement do not allow to conclude on gain in using NNLO vs multipaton NLO ME calculations

 $\rightarrow$  Results suggest using multiparton NLO predictions for the estimation of the Z + jets contribution at the LHC in measurements and searches, and its associated uncertainty

### EWK Z + 2 jets

- ▶ first observation of the EW Zjj production at 13 TeV
- $\blacktriangleright\,$  measured cross section is in agreement with SM prediction with  $\sim 10\%\,$  precision

Back up slides

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Cross section in exclusive jet multiplicity for the combination of both decay channels and breakdown of the uncertainties:

$N_{jets}$	$\frac{d\sigma}{dN_{inte}}$	Tot. unc	Stat	JES	JER	Eff	Lumi	Bkg	Pileup	Unf model
	[pb]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]
=0	652	3.0	0.091	1.1	0.046	1.5	2.3	< 0.01	0.22	—
=1	97.9	5.1	0.27	4.3	0.18	1.5	2.3	0.012	0.30	
=2	22.2	7.3	0.63	6.7	0.20	1.6	2.3	0.026	0.43	
=3	4.68	10	1.4	9.9	0.39	1.7	2.3	0.13	0.29	
=4	1.01	11	3.5	10	0.24	1.7	2.3	0.43	0.56	_
$=\!5$	0.275	14	5.0	12	0.081	2.0	2.3	1.2	0.29	_
=6	0.045	24	15	17	0.36	1.8	2.4	3.5	1.7	_