Measurements of WZ properties in Run 3 with the CMS detector

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Standard Model (SM)



Discovery of W and Z bosons

Standard Model (before Higgs)



Bosons/fermions expected to be massless





-Gargamelle bubble chamber: Experiment in search of neutrino. Evidence of the existence of a massive, electrically neutral, virtual particle.



Discovery of W and Z bosons

UA1 and UA2 in (SPS): High energy proton-antiproton collisions to produce and measure the W (1982) and Z (1983) bosons in leptonic final states.

W/Z decays in leptonic final states where l could be an electron (e) or a muon (μ)...



UA1 measurement of W and Z masses using the dataset collected from 1982 to 1985:

 $m_{\rm W} = 82.7 \pm 1.0 \pm 2.7 \,\,{\rm GeV}$

 $m_{\rm Z} = 93.1 \pm 1.0 \pm 3.1 \,\,{\rm GeV}$

UA1 measurement of W and Z cross section in electron final states using the dataset collected from 1982 to 1985:

 $\sigma_{\rm W} BR(W \to e\nu) = 630 \pm 50 \pm 100 \,\mathrm{pb}$

 $\sigma_{\rm Z} {\rm BR}({\rm Z} \to {\rm e}^+ {\rm e}^-) = 74 \pm 14 \pm 11 ~{\rm pb}.$



Dibosonic production (VV')

All possible dibosonic process: $\gamma\gamma$, W γ , Z γ , WW, WZ, ZZ

- > Accurate testing of Standard Model physics of the $SU(2)_L xU(1)$ gauge group.
- The precision on the measurements help to constrain SM contribution (background) in searches (Higgs or other physics models).
- Search of new physics.



The s-channel leads to trilinear gauge bosons interactions in the electroweak sector (only allowed in the SM charged couplings such as WWZ, WW γ).

Dibosonic production



https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsCombined

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Large Hadron Collider (LHC)



Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS)

Tracker Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECAL) Hadronic Calorimeter (HCAL) Solenoid Steel Yoke Muon chambers

Trigger system...





Event simulation



WZ process

- WZ as a process of interest for SMP and BSMP:
 - > Sensitive to charge asymmetries.
 - Boson polarization effects (final state leptons).
 - > Direct access to Trilinear Gauge Couplings and anomalies.
- Main goal...
 - Continue the previous studies done in Run 2 (13 TeV) in leptonic final states.
 - Perform the first WZ measurements at the new energy regime of 13.6 TeV.

First WZ cross section at 13.6 TeV using the <u>2022 dataset</u>-> Ongoing!!

$$\sigma_{tot}(pp \longrightarrow WZ) = \frac{N_{WZ}}{BR(W \longrightarrow l\nu)BR(Z \longrightarrow l'l')\mathcal{A}\varepsilon\mathcal{L}} \left(1 - \frac{N_{non-fid}}{N_{tot}}\right)$$







Analysis strategy



Object selection



Events selection

- Light leptons (electrons and muons): The core of the analysis. Following techniques and criteria based on kinematic variables.
- <u>Jets/b-jets:</u> Using algorithms PUPPI/DeepJET.
- Missing transverse energy (MET): The negative sum of all transverse momentum of the objects identified in the event.



Baseline Selection (pure WZ signal) <u>Z-leptons:</u> Two opposite sign and same flavor with invariant mass close to m₇. <u>W-leptons:</u> The third lepton and a missing transverse energy (MET).

Also this criteria allows to separate the leptons that comes from a W and a Z.

->Some processes emulate a final state similar to our signal selection criteria (background process). ->Enriched in backgrounds regions (control regions) are studied for the estimation and understanding of the main backgrounds of the process

Some WZ distributions:

- Data not used to avoid bias in the measurement.
- Existence of different backgrounds (ZZ, ttX and conversion).



Inclusive cross section measurement:

- > Perform a *maximum likelihood fit* to the flavor distribution.
- > Measure the signal strenght (r_{WZ}).
- > Use the background regions in the fit to estimation/control/minimize its normalization in the fit.



 σ_{exp}

 σ_{SM}

 r_{WZ}

Inclusive cross section measurement:





Other WZ interesting measurements:

Charge assymptities: The differences between W⁺Z and W⁻Z production are studied based on the charge ratio asymmetry quantity. The study of properties of the initial state qq' (PDFs) can be extracted from the study of the final state

$$A_{WZ}^{+-} = rac{\sigma_{\rm fid}(\rm pp
ightarrow \rm W^+Z)}{\sigma_{\rm fid}(\rm pp
ightarrow \rm W^-Z)}$$

- Boson polarization: W and Z bosons can show longitudinally–polarized states as a consequence of their massive nature, itself derived from the spontaneous symmetry breaking mechanism. A probe of the Higgs mechanism of the SM.
- New physics: EFT interpretations, anomalies...

BACKUP

Some ZZ distributions:

Four leptons. Two leptons per Z boson. Two pairs of opposite sign and same flavor with invariant mass close to m_z .



Some conv. distributions(Xγ):

Defined by inverting the MET and mass reconstruction criteria of the WZ selection.



Some ttX distributions:

Two or more light leptons. Enriched b jets in the event selection criteria.

