Z + b jets

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Why measure Z + b jets?

• QCD

Constrain *b* density of the proton. Understand production mechanisms in QCD. Not all measurements agree with NLO QCD. This process has a small scale uncertainty compared with other processes e.g. inclusive *b*-jets.

- Standard model Higgs Important channel is associated production $q\bar{q} \rightarrow Zh_{SM}$, where $h_{SM} \rightarrow b\bar{b}$. QCD $Zb\bar{b}$ is the largest background.
- MSSM Higgs

At large $\tan\beta$ coupling of A, h, H to $b\bar{b}$ enhanced. $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}h$. Z + b jets probes b density at similar scale $\mu \sim M_Z$ (c.f. $\gamma + jets$).

• Single top

b quark density important for 2 of 3 leading diagrams: t-channel $qb \rightarrow q't$ and associated W production $gb \rightarrow Wt$. Study V_{tb} etc.

QCD Production Diagrams



Upper diagrams dominates. NLO QCD (MCFM) says > 95% at LHC (is only 60% at Tevatron)

Lower diagram contributes around 50% of the events with 2 b quarks in 1 jet $Z(Q\bar{Q})$, < 3% of the cross section.

Scale Dependence



default $\mu_R = \mu_f = M_Z$ vary μ_R - solid lines vary μ_F - dashed lines NLO uncertainty ~ 20%

Backgrounds and Systematic Errors

• Light and charm jets

Fractions of light and charm events will be extracted from fit to the data.

• Other processes

Use MC simulation to estimate other processes which give real leptons and b jets. $t\bar{t}, t \rightarrow Wb, W \rightarrow l\nu$ and ZZ most significant. Others WW, WZ, $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ to be investigated

• Misidentified leptons

Fraction of misidentified leptons from other particles in final state e.g. $b\overline{b}$ contributing to $Z \rightarrow ll$ window is determined from data.

• Systematic Errors

For heavy flavour tagging analysis tracking uncertainties (e.g. efficiency) likely to dominate. Others include model dependence (e.g. E_T^{jet} , η^{jet}), backgrounds and jet energy scale.

Method Outline

- Reconstruct $Z \to e^+ e^-, \mu^+ \mu^-$ using standard cuts.
- Use inclusive Z files (have plenty of b jets in them)
- Look for cone jets in R < 0.7.
- Use the standard b tag likelihood output. "weight" combination of secondary vertex algorithm (SV1) and combined impact parameter probability (IP3D)
- Fit the "weight" distribution in the data with light, c and b templates.
- Correct cross section to the hadron level for events with a Z boson and $E_T^{jet}>20~{\rm GeV}$ and $\eta^{jet}<2.5$

Event Selection

- Find electrons. Select on IsEM and isolation. Require 2 'mediums'. $E_t^e > 20 \text{ GeV}, |\eta^e| < 2.5.$ Reconstruct $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$.
- Find Jets("ConeTopoParticleJets"). Cone size 0.7. Exclude electrons from Z → e⁺e⁻. E^{jet}_t > 20 GeV, |η^{jet}| < 2.5
- Find muons ("StacoMuonCollection"). Exclude those close to a jet $\Delta R > 0.4$. Gives satisfactory fake rate $\sim 10^{-6}$. $E_t^{\mu} > 15 \text{ GeV}, |\eta^{\mu}| < 2.5$. Find $Z \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$.
- Require $71 < M_{ll} < 111$ GeV.
- Cut against $t\bar{t}$ by requiring MET < 30 GeV.
- Look at flavour "weight" for all selected jets.

Backgrounds



Distribution for missing E_T for total MC and background processes (for all events)

Missing $E_T < 30 \text{ GeV}$

Efficiency of 97% for signal and rejects 87% $t\bar{t}$, 18% of ZZ (events with ≥ 1 jet)

Z Mass



Reconstructed Z mass for ee and $\mu\mu$

Normalized to 15 pb^{-1} of data.

Jet E_T and η



Match to truth flavour of jet.

c, b flavours have similar shapes in this range.

Real b background from $t\bar{t}$ most important, particularly at high E_T .

$b \ {\sf Tag} \ {\sf Likelihood}$



linear scale (left), log scale (right)

light, c, b jets have different shape so may be separated in fit to obtain fraction of events with a b jet.

Fitting the Likelihood Distribution



Divided MC randomly into 15 pb⁻¹ 'pseudo-data' samples. Typical scale factors for c and b jets from fit to pseudo-data $\rho_b = 1 \pm 0.2, \ \rho_c = 1 \pm 0.2, \ \rho_{light} = 1 \pm 0.02$

i.e. $\sim 20\%$ error on the b fraction

Jet Energy Scale Uncertainty

Jet Energy Scale Systematic



So far just implemented 4% shift up and down of jet energy scale to get different MC acceptances + templatesfor c, b and light.

Reasonable shift? Effect on cross section determination is 16%.

Summary and Outlook

- Z + b jets important for understanding QCD and needed for background in searches
- \bullet Possible for $\sim 20\%$ statistical precision from $15~pb^{-1}$ of data
- We should aim to have detector aligned with sufficient precision for b tagging as early as possible
- Looked at most likely dominant backgrounds from other processes
- Estimate of effects of jet energy scale.
- Next steps
- Look at remaining background processes and errors.
- Check have relevant MC samples.