



Vector Boson Scattering Same Sign W Boson in CMS Experiment

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Vector Boson Scattering (VBS) in the SM







There are two important signature for VBS events:

- 1- Production of two energetic jets with large invariant mass
- 2- These two jets are separated by high rapidity from each other



Vector Boson Scattering (VBS) in the SM

• The VBS Lagrangian includes Triple and quartic gauge coupling constants



Studying triple and quartic gauge couplings is important to test the SM

Beyond the SM and VBS

at low energy, one can extend the SM by adding higher dimension operators:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_{d>4} \sum_{i} \frac{C_i}{\Lambda^{d-4}} \mathcal{O}_i^d$$
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Simple example to illustrate the idea:

Suppose there is a new particle X interacting with vector gauge bosons. Even if we do not have enough energy to produce it, its effect could be observed as an anomalous coupling.



What is the Large Hadron Collider (LHC)?

- The LHC is the world's largest and most powerful particle accelerator.
- Protons (tiny building blocks of atoms) are sped up to nearly the speed of light and smashed together.
- This creates extremely high-energy collisions, recreating conditions similar to the Big Bang.

Why Do We Smash Protons?

- To study the smallest particles in the universe.
- Understand fundamental forces and search for new physics (e.g., dark matter).
- Discover particles like the Higgs boson (the particle that gives others mass).





What Does CMS Detect?

- I. **Electrons:** Tiny particles with a negative charge, fundamental components of atoms.
- 2. Muons: Similar to electrons but about 200 times heavier.
- 3. Photons: Particles of light with no electric charge.
- **4. Jets:** Sprays of particles produced when quarks or gluons fragment.
- 5. Missing Transverse Energy (MET): Represents invisible particles like neutrinos escaping the detector.
- How CMS calculates it:
- Measured by summing the energy and momentum of all visible particles.
- Any imbalance indicates missing energy carried away by neutrinos.

CMS Detector

• What is the CMS Detector?

- CMS stands for Compact Muon Solenoid.
- It's a giant, layered machine that surrounds the collision point and acts like a "3D camera."

It is a **5-story-tall cylindrical detector** made of multiple layers:

- 1. Tracker: Measures the paths of charged particles.
- 2. Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECAL): Measures energy of photons and electrons.
- **3. Hadronic Calorimeter (HCAL):** Measures energy from jets (quarks/gluons).
- **4. Solenoid Magnet:** Produces a strong magnetic field to bend charged particles.
- 5. Muon Chambers: Detects muons, which pass through other layers.



LHC and Run 3

What is Run 3?

Run 3 is the third operational phase of the LHC, which began in 2022 and runs until 2025.
The LHC is operating at its highest energy (13.6 TeV) to date and with improved detectors.

Goals of Run 3:

- Collect **more data** than ever before to improve precision.
- Look for **new physics** beyond the Standard Model (e.g., dark matter, exotic particles).

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My Analysis: Same sign W Boson Electroweak Scattering

Signal:

The **electroweak** production of same-sign W boson pairs in the two jets and two same-sign leptons final state

 $q \, q \, \rightarrow W^+ W^+ q \, q \, \rightarrow \, \ell^+ \nu \, \, \ell^+ \nu \, \, q \, q$



Background:

The background events can be split in two categories:

1- Irreducible backgrounds:

- have the **same final state particles** as the signal process and cannot be distinguished from VBS on an event-by-event basis.



Background:

2- Reducible backgrounds: are processes with different final state from VBS, but can enter the signal region.

One example 1: when objects are not correctly reconstructed (e. g. a jet that is misreconstructed as a lepton) (Like ttbar->L+2Q and W+Jet -> L+Nu+Jet)

One example 2: when objects r are not within the detector acceptance $(abs(Lepton_Eta) < 2.5).$







W+ Z -> 3 leptons + nu

Identification



*** In following slides, I go step by step through each stage

Type of Leptons

Generally, we categorize leptons in two types:

1- Prompt Lepton:

A **prompt lepton** is a lepton (electron, muon, or tau) that originates directly from the **primary vertex** of a particle collision.

It is typically produced in **hard processes** such as:

- Decays of bosons (e.g., $W \rightarrow e + nu$, $Z \rightarrow e + e$ -).
- Decays of heavy quarks (e.g., top quarks).

2- Fake Lepton:

A **fake lepton** is a reconstructed object in the detector that is **misidentified as a lepton**, but it does not originate from a genuine lepton.

Common sources of fake leptons include:

- Hadrons misidentified as leptons: Charged pions or kaons can mimic leptonic signals in certain detector layers.
- Non-prompt leptons: Leptons produced in secondary decays, such as those from hadron decays (e.g., b→e+X, c→µ+X)

We first need to define signal region which is enriched for signal events leading separating them from other backgrounds

	Signal Region Cuts
Pt_Leptons	Pt1 > 25 GeV, Pt2 > 20 GeV
Pt_Jets	>50 GeV
Pt_Miss (Pt of Neutrino)	>30 GeV
Anti Btagging	applied
Abs(Delta_Eta(Jet1, Jet2))	>2.5
Invariant Mass of Diljet (M_jj)	>500 GeV

A VBS event in the CMS detector



Identifying All Background Processes

Now we need to identify all background processes contribute in SR and simulate them by MC generators (like MadGraph)

Backgrounds Processes		
WZ -> 3l + nu		
QCD same-sign WW -> 2l + 2 nu		
Gamma + Vector Boson (VG) -> 3l		
ZZ -> 4l		
Misscharge Identification		
Three Vector Bosons Scattering (VVV)		

*** There is another important background (non-prompt background) which cannot be obtained by simulation and need to be calculated by data-driven method directly from data

Data-Driven Method to Compute Non-Prompt Background

The data-driven (dijet) method that is used to estimate the non-prompt background

In this method, we compute the probability for a fake lepton passing a prompt lepton conditions which is called fake rate

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The fake rate is computed from this formula:
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 $\mathcal{E}(\text{fake rate}) = \text{NP}/(\text{NP+NF})$

NP = number of prompt lepton, NF = number of fake lepton



Statistics for SR

Now that we defined our signal region and its kinematics, and identified backgrounds, now we do calculations. The results are as below:

	Signal Region
Data	75
Non-Prompt	12.3
EW_ssWW	35.4
WZ to 3L	11.55
QCD_ssWW	2.76
VG	5.8
Miss_Charge	2.53
ZZto4L	0.73
Sum_All_BK(including non_prompt)	35.65
Predicted = Sum(Signal + All BK)	71.05
Ratio (Sig/All_BK)	0.99
%Ratio (Sig/Data)	%47.2
%Ratio (Sig/Predicted)	%50
%Ratio (Non-Prompt/Data)	%16.4
%Ratio(Predicted/Data)	% 94.7

***The results are for Run 2022 EFG and Summer22EE *** In Plots, errors are relative errors. I am working on them and they are developing.

Signal Region for leplep





To test the accuracy of our calculations in signal region, we define some control regions (CR). CRs are defined as to be rich for a background process

Two results are expected from a control region:

- 1- Contribution and number of signal events must decreases
- 2- Contribution and number of the specific background events (which CR is defined for that) must increased

We define two control regions:

- 1- Non-Prompt Control Region: Which is expected to enhance the contribution of non-prompt background
- 2- QCD Control Region: Which is expected to enhance the contribution of QCD same-sign WW background

	non-prompt CR	QCD CR
Pt_Leptons	Pt1 > 25 GeV, Pt2 > 20 GeV	Pt1 > 25 GeV, Pt2 > 20 GeV
Pt_Jets	>50 GeV	>50 GeV
Pt_Miss	>30 GeV	>30 GeV
Anti Btagging	inverted	applied
Abs(Delta_Eta(Jet1, Jet2))	>2.5	<2.5
M_jj	>500 GeV	>200 GeV < 500 GeV

Statistics for Control Regions

	SR	Non-PR CR	QCD CR
Data	75	50	83
Non-Prompt	12.3	45.3	20.15
EW_ssWW	35.4	8.92	6.96
QCD_ssWW	2.76	1.18	9.7

The percentage of signal and each background contribution from the predicted calculation by MC samples

	SR	Non-PR CR	QCD CR
Predicted Events	71.05	62.46	76.53
EW_ssWW	% 49.8	%14.3 ↓	%9 .0 9
Non-Prompt	%1 7.3	%72.5 †	%26.32
WZto3L	%16.26	%7.2	%30.22
VG	%8.16	%2.49	%18.9
QCD_ssWW	%3.9	%1.18	%12.67
Miss_Charge	%3.6	%1.9	%2.4
ZZto4L	%1	%1.1	%0.3

Non-Prompt Control Region for leplep





QCD Control Region for leplep





Conclusions:

By checking the measurements in signal and control regions, we could understand:

1- Our definitions, cuts, and calculation of signal and control regions are well performed
2- Very good enhancement in contribution of signal events w.r.t other backgrounds (we could increase signal and decrease background contribution as much as possible)

Future Plans:

- 1- Read newer data and MC samples for year 2023 and 2024
- 2- Measure the cross section of same-sign WW -> 2l + 2nu
- 3- Put some upper limits to the Lagrangian of process using Wilson's coefficient

*** The systematic uncertainties has been done but because integrating all results by them takes long time, so at the moment of the presentation, they were not ready