### Z boson production in PbPb collisions in CMS

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#### **CMS detector**



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## **PbPb collisions in CMS**



- The total hadronic cross section is divided into centrality classes
- The corresponding impact parameter and number of binary collisions comes from Glauber model calculations

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## Introduction to EWK bosons

- LHC energies allow for first measurements of Z and W bosons in heavy ion collisions
- Electroweak bosons are essentially not perturbed by the QCD medium
  - At first order, check the binary scaling hypothesis
  - Serve as a reference to modified processes (jets...)
  - Second order modifications ultimately constrain initial state (npdf)
- Isolated photons
  - From 2010: PLB 710 (2012) 256
  - From 2011: PLB 718 (2013) 773, photon+jet
- Z in muon and electron channel
  - + From 2010: PRL 106 (2011) 212301
  - From 2011: CMS-PAS-HIN-12-008 and CMS-PAS-HIN-13-004
- W in muon channel
  - + From 2010: PLB 715 (2012) 66

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



## **Muon reconstruction**



- Global muons reconstructed with information from inner tracker and muon stations
- $_{\bullet}$  Good resolution for high  $p_{_{\rm T}}$  muons

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# First $Z \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ candidate in PbPb





## Z production in muon channel

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## Z production in muon channel

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- Z production scales with number of binary nucleon-nucleon collisions
- Comparison with POWHEG NLO generator
  - Good description of data at LHC and Tevatron energies





## Z production in muon channel



- Differential measurement with 2011 statistics
- No large deviations from the POWHEG reference



## **Electron reconstruction**



- Seeded by supercluster in ECAL
- Inner track reconstructed from the outside with radiation taken into account
- Electron candidate a supercluster matched to an inner track



## Z production in electron channel

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- Electron selection:
  - → p<sub>T</sub><sup>e</sup> > 20 GeV/c
  - →  $|\eta^e|$  < 1.44 only ECAL Barrel
  - Shower shape used to reject photons
  - HCAL used to reject QCD jet background
- Background well described by same sign pairs
- 328 Z candidates





# Z production in pp collisions



- Reference data from 2013 February  $L_{int} = 5.35 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- Direct measurement of nuclear modification factor ( $R_{AA}$ ) possible

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## **Nuclear modification factor**

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- $dN_{_{AA}}$  /  $T_{_{AA}}$  =  $d\sigma^{_{pp}} \times R_{_{AA}}$
- T<sub>AA</sub>: nuclear overlap function from Glauber-model calculations
- $R_{AA}$  (muon) = 1.06 ± 0.05 ± 0.11
- $R_{AA}$  (electron) = 1.08 ± 0.09 ± 0.14
- The two leptonic decay channels are in agreement
- Z production (as expected) scales with T<sub>AA</sub>





## **Nuclear modification factor**

R 2.5 2.5 RAA Z → µ⁺µ CMS Preliminary Systematic uncertainty Systematic uncertainty s<sub>NN</sub> = 2.76 TeV  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$ Z → e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> Systematic uncertainty Centrality 0-100% Systematic uncertainty pp lumi uncertainty pp lumi uncertainty T<sub>AA</sub> uncertainty T<sub>44</sub> uncertainty 1.5 1.5 0.5 0.5 CMS Preliminary √s<sub>NN</sub> = 2.76 TeV Centrality 0-100% 0 1 1.2 1.4 1.6 1.8 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 í٥ 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 10 0 p<sub>T</sub><sup>z</sup> (GeV/c) lv<sup>z</sup>l

- ${\scriptstyle \bullet}$  Split in rapidity and  ${\scriptstyle p_{_{T}}}$
- Possible nuclear effects are within the uncertainties of the measurements

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## **Summary & Outlook**

- Z boson production is unmodified by the hot QCD medium
- Yield scales with the number of binary nucleon-nucleon collisions
- Measurement of nuclear modification factor of Z bosons in muon and electron channel doesn't show large deviations from 1
- Possible nuclear effects within the uncertainties

#### Future

- pPb collision data taken in 2013
- Analysis of electroweak boson production ongoing
- Important input for nuclear PDFs
- Z+jet measurements in future PbPb and pPb data will give further insights to jet quenching and nuclear effects

## **CMS Heavy-ion results**

#### https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsHIN



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