Me and my Research Activity

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From where do I come from?



- **University of Trieste** University studies in Physics & PhD at 🦯 **Trieste University** Working within ATLAS Udine / ICTP group since 2009 ATLAS Udine / ICTP Scuola Internazionale Superiore di Studi Avanzati (Trieste) ALTERNA DA
 - Since then mainly working on **ATLAS data analysis**
 - In the last years, being a post-doc at SISSA, collaborating with theorists on LHC phenomenology

<u>ATLAS Data Analysis</u> Timeline



- 2010 2012: tt cross-section at 7 TeV
 - first ATLAS Top Physics paper: EPJC 71 (2011) 1577
 - PhD thesis: <u>CERN-THESIS-2012-082</u>
- 2011 2014: "top fakes" (mainly in 8 TeV data)
 - preliminary publication result: <u>ATLAS-CONF-2014-058</u>
 - used by ~all ATLAS top physics analyses at 8 TeV (I+jets)
 - 2012 2016: $t\bar{t}H$, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ (I+jets and OS dilep)
 - first preliminary result (7 TeV): <u>ATLAS-CONF-2012-135</u>
 - run 1 result (8 TeV): <u>EPJC 75 (2015) 349</u>
 - run 2 first result (13 TeV, 13 fb⁻¹): <u>ATLAS-CONF-2016-080</u>
- 2015 2016: search for SM four-top (resolved I+jets)
 - preliminary result (13 TeV, 3.2 fb⁻¹): <u>ATLAS-CONF-2016-020</u>
- ► 2016 ...: NPTEV-TQP2020

LHC Phenomenology Timeline



 LHC Phenomenology activity in collaboration with theoriests from SISSA and ICTP-SAIFR "covering" LHC shutdown

2013 - 2014: Top-gluon coupling arXiv:1307.5750

- Limits on top-quark compositeness from tt cross-section
- 2014: Top-Wb coupling arXiv:1406.5393
 - Limits on top-quark couplings from single-top and top decay
- 2014 2015: Vector boson scattering <u>arXiv:1509.06378</u>
 - Prospects for new Physics discoveries in longitudinal WW scattering





PhD & Post-Doc - ATLAS Data Analysis Fake lepton background



- Top physics analyses, usually ask for 1 or 2 *prompt* e or μ :
 - non-prompt leptons, jets or photons can pass lepton selection
 - → "fake & non-prompt lepton" background

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(jet)

- MC simulation often *not* suitable for its estimation:
 - data-driven methods used (e.g. "Matrix Method")
 - common effort in ATLAS TopWG to produce estimates



Post-Doc - ATLAS Data Analysis ttH, $H \rightarrow bb$ g 0000000000

- $t\bar{t}H$ important for **directly assessing** y_t
- $H \rightarrow b\overline{b}$ channel:
 - largest Branching Ratio
 - overwhelming **background from** *tt*+jets (esp. heavy-flavour jets)
 - sophisticated analysis based on $t\bar{t}H(H\rightarrow WW/\tau\tau/ZZ)$ symultaneous profile likelihood fit on several signal and control regions defined by (Nj, Nb)



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√s=13 TeV, 13.2-13.3 fb⁻¹

+1.2

+1.3 -1.1

+1.0

-0.3

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ATLAS Preliminary

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 $t\bar{t}H(H\rightarrow\gamma\gamma)$

(13 TeV 13.3 fb⁻¹)

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ttH(H→bb)



- Single lepton largest BR, similar signature as $t\bar{t}H(b\bar{b})$ but more jets
 - Validation Regions (not fitted) to validate bkg. model extrapolation
 - **simple** $H_T = \Sigma p_{T^{jet}}$ as **disriminant** in each region



Post-Doc - LHC Phenomenology Top Couplings in Effective Field Theory

- Constraints on NP in the context of EFT, on coefficients of dimension 6 operators, for gtt and Wtb vertices
- Measurements from **Tevatron** and **LHC Run 1** used as inputs:
 - *t*t and *single top* **total x**-**sections**
 - $t\bar{t}$ spin correlations
 - W helicity fractions in top decay







RTDa - ATLAS Data Analysis

Top Mass with semi-leptonic B decay

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 $m{m}_{_{
m top}}$

Top mass measurements: Standard measurements recon

full top decay

exp. uncertainty dominated by jet energy scale



NPTEV-TQP2020

Proposed method uses only leptons:

- prompt lepton from W
- soft lepton from B
- partial reconstruction of the decay
- "Proof of principle" at CDF \rightarrow
- Work in progress to see this in ATLAS!



Summary and Conclusions

- During PhD and Post-Doc working on ATLAS data analysis and LHC phenomenology
- A lot of expertise in *Top* and *Top-related* analyses
- Hope to continue to work with "the Top"







