

Top Physics Results from Tevatron

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- discovered in 1995 at the Tevatron
- heaviest known elementary particle:
 - 173.2 ± 0.9 GeV
 - large coupling ~1 to Higgs boson
 - → special role in electroweak symmetry breaking ?
- short lifetime of 5 10^{25} s less than $1/\Lambda_{QCD}$
 - → top quarks decay before hadronization
 → observation of a bare quark
- started with a handful of events in 1995; now 1000s of them
 - precision measurements
 - excellent tool to search for new physics















as $Br(t-Wb) \cong 100\%$ final states classified according to W decay









- after 26 years of operation,
 Tevatron turned off 30th September 2011
 - 10 years of data at $\sqrt{s}=1.96$ TeV
 - ~10 fb⁻¹ recorded per experiment
- birthplace of top quark
- 14 years later discovery of single top
- but compared to LHC



- 20 times more top pair events then at the Tevatron
- → What can we still learn from the Tevatron?





- Top Quark Production at $\sqrt{s}=1.96$ TeV
- Measuring and Understanding the Top Quark Mass
- Unique Top Properties at the Tevatron
- Exploring New Aspects in Top Quark Events





Probing Tops at a Different Center-of-Mass Energy: Top Quark Production at √s=1.96 TeV





- measure if production rate is as predicted by NLO QCD
- measurement requires:
 - well understood background
 - clean signal region to extract cross section
 - → divide samples using b-tagging or multivariate techniques
- additional tricks:
 - constrain systematic uncertainties from data fit
 - consider ratio R of Z-> $l\bar{l}/t\bar{t}$ cross section

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = R \cdot \sigma_Z^{theo}$$

• D0 l+jets 5.3fb⁻¹: $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 7.78^{+0.77}$ (stat+sys) pb (PRD 84,012008 (2011))

♦ CDF l+jets 4.6 fb⁻¹:

 $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 7.82 \pm 0.55 \text{ (stat+sys) pb (PRL 105,012001 (2009))}$

- Iimited by systematic uncertainty
- total uncertainty comparable to theoretical one



Number of b-tagged jets







- cross check of different final states interesting
 - **new physics** may affect different final states in a different way
 - different parts of phase space
 - different kinds of background









- experimental results well consistent with theoretical predictions
- main systematic uncertainties from:
 - tt modeling
 - **luminosity** (~6%)
 - PDFs for theory
- CDF/D0 combination will have a precision of 5%





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• cross section measurements can be extended to extract R $\frac{|V_{th}|^2}{|W_{th}|^2}$

$$R = \frac{BR(t \to Wb)}{BR(t \to Wq)} = \frac{|V_{tb}|}{|V_{td}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{tb}|^2}$$

- SM predicts R=1 (unitarity of CKM, BR(t->Wb) ≅ 100%)
- smaller values could indicate new physics
 e.g. 4th generation quarks
- strategy
 - 1+jets: split into 0,1 and \geq 2 b-tagged jets
 - dilepton: use b-tagging NN distribution
- ◆ **D0 5.4 fb**⁻¹:

R = 0.90 ± 0.04 (stat+syst) (PRL 107,121802 (2011))

- Iimited by systematic uncertainty
 - main from b-jet identification
- worlds best measurement of R







- ♦ first measurement of tt +γ cross section
- order of magnitude smaller than top pair production rate
- well understood photon identification and background modeling required
- ♦ CDF 6.0 fb⁻¹ of l+jets events:
 - 30 tt +γ candidates where 26.9 ± 3.4 are expected
 - $\sigma_{t\bar{t}+\gamma} = 0.18 \pm 0.08 \text{ pb} (\text{PRD 84, 031104 (2011)})$
- result well consistent with prediction of $\sigma_{t\bar{t}+\gamma} = 0.17 \pm 0.03$ pb (arXiv:0907.1324)
- ♦ 3 SD for background-only hypothesis (0.15%)







osterior Probability Density



- took 14 years from tops to single tops:
 - needed multivariate techniques to extract small signal from large background
- direct probe of Wtb electroweak interaction

D0 5.4 fb⁻¹: σ (s+t) = 3.4 ± 0.7 pb CDF 3.2 fb⁻¹: σ (s+t) = 2.3 ± 0.6 pb

• $|V_{tb}|$ extraction

• σ (s+t) ~ $|V_{tb}|^2$, assuming only SM sourcing single tops and $|V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{td}|^2 << |V_{tb}|^2$ D0 5.4 fb⁻¹: $|V_{tb}| = 1.02 \pm 0.11$ (PRD 84, 112001 (2011)) CDF 3.2 fb⁻¹: $|V_{tb}| = 0.91 \pm 0.13$ (PRL 103, 092002 (2009))



Separate t- and s- Channel Production

- ♦ 2-dimensional measurement of s- and t-channel
 - t-channel sensitive to anomalous couplings
 - s-channel sensitive to resonances
- strategy: train separately for s- and t-chanel
- ◆ CDF 3.2 fb⁻¹:
 - σ (t) = 0.8 ± 0.4 pb (PRD 82, 112005 (2009))
 - σ (s) = 1.8 ^{+0.7} _{-0.5} pb
- ◆ **D0 5.4 fb**⁻¹:
 - σ (t) = 2.90 ± 0.59 pb (PLB 705, 313 (2011))
 - σ (s) = 0.98 ± 0.63 pb
- + t-channel observation with 5.5 σ at D0
 - main systematics from background
- ♦ s-channel evidence with full data set
- part of Tevatrons legacy
 - s-channel (~4x) not as enhanced as others (>25x)
 - more challenging at LHC









Very Challenging: Measuring and Understanding the Top Quark Mass



idea:

- construct mass dependent templates using MC simulated events
- determine mass from a comparison to data
- apply calibration from MC to correct for any bias
- channels with hadronically decaying W boson(s) allow in addition to fit a global jet energy scale correction constrained by the W mass



 l+jets energy correction can be applied in dilepton events to reduce main systematic









b Jet

Lepton

 calculate per event the probability to arise from LO tt production for different hypotheses of mass/JES

$$P_{t\bar{t}}(x;H) \propto \int d\epsilon_1 d\epsilon_2 f_{PDF}(\epsilon_1) f_{PDF}(\epsilon_2) \frac{|M(y;H)|^2}{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 s} W(x,y) d\phi_6$$

 f_{PDF} : parton density functions M(y; H): ME under hypothesis H for partons y W(x, y): transfer functions for measuring y as x

calculate main background probability similarly and combine them

$$P_{evt}(x; m_{top}, JES) = f_{sgn}P_{sgn}(x; m_{top}, JES) + (1 - f_{sgn})P_{bkg}(x; JES)$$

$$= \int_{1}^{1} \int_{1}^{1}$$

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- Template method:
 - CDF l+jets 8.7 fb⁻¹ ($m_{top}^{(1)}, m_{top}^{(2)}, m_{jj}$): $m_{top} = 172.8 \pm 0.7 (stat+JES) \pm 0.8 (syst)$
 - CDF all jets 5.8 fb⁻¹ ($m_{top}^{(rec,\chi^2)}$, $m_{W}^{(rec,\chi^2)}$): $m_{top}^{=} 172.5 \pm 1.7 (stat+JES) \pm 1.1 (syst)$
 - CDF dilepton 5.6 fb⁻¹ ($m_{top}^{(vwA)}$):
 - D0 dilepton 5.4 fb⁻¹ (\mathbf{w}_{ywA}):
- Matrix Element method:
 - D0 dilepton 5.4fb⁻¹:
 - **D0 l+jets 3.6 fb**⁻¹:
 - CDF l+jets 3.6fb⁻¹:

 m_{top} = 170.3 ± 2.0 (stat) ± 3.1 (syst)

$$m_{top} = 174.0 \pm 2.4(stat) \pm 1.4(syst)$$

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{m}_{top} &= 174.0 \pm 1.8(\text{stat}) \pm 2.4(\text{syst}) \\ \mathbf{m}_{top} &= 174.9 \pm 1.1(\text{stat+JES}) \pm 1.0(\text{syst}) \\ \mathbf{m}_{top} &= 172.4 \pm 1.4(\text{stat+JES}) \pm 1.3(\text{syst}) \end{split}$$

- almost all results limited by systematics
- true challenge: understanding systematic effects
 - remaining jet uncertainties
 - tt modeling (hadronization and UE, NLO, ISR/FSR, CR)



Tevatron Combination





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- second challenge: theoretical interpretation
 - How close is the measured mass relying on MC to the pole mass?
- different approach:
 - assume MC mass to be once pole, once $\overline{\text{MS}}$ mass
 - calculate cross section as a function of well-defined mass
 - compare result with measured cross section function
- ♦ D0 5.3 fb⁻¹ l+jets:
 - $\mathbf{m}_{top}^{pole} = 167.5^{+5.2}_{-4.7} \text{ GeV} (\text{PLB 703}, 422 (2011))$
 - $\mathbf{m}_{top}^{\overline{MS}} = \mathbf{160.0}^{+4.8}_{-4.3} \, \mathbf{GeV}$
- pole mass closer to direct results







pp is not pp : Unique Top Properties at the Tevatron

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- even tops are not produced in polarized state, the spins are correlated
- the correlation strength A

$$A = \frac{N_{\uparrow\uparrow} + N_{\downarrow\downarrow} - N_{\uparrow\downarrow} - N_{\downarrow\uparrow}}{N_{\uparrow\uparrow} + N_{\downarrow\downarrow} + N_{\uparrow\downarrow} + N_{\downarrow\uparrow}}$$



- depends on the production mode \rightarrow different for Tevatron and LHC
- choice of spin basis (here beam basis)
- due to the short top lifetime the spin does not flip and is reflected in the angular distributions of the decay products

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta_i} = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \alpha_i \cos\theta_i)$$

with $\alpha = 1$ for charged leptons and down-type quarks

• thus spin correlation can be measured by studying e.g.

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d^2 \sigma}{d \cos \theta_1 d \cos \theta_2} = \frac{1}{4} (1 - C \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2)$$

where $C = A \alpha_1 \alpha_2$

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- D0 5.4 fb⁻¹ dilepton : C_{beam} = 0.10 ± 0.45 (stat+syst) (PLB 702,16 (2011))
- CDF 5.1 fb⁻¹ dilepton : C_{beam} = 0.04 ± 0.56 (stat+syst)
- CDF 5.3 fb⁻¹ l+jets :
 C_{beam} = 0.72 ± 0.69 (stat+syst)
- all measurements limited by statistical uncertainty
- results consistent with SM expectation of C_{beam} = 0.78 ± 0.04 @NLO QCD (Nucl. Phys. B 690,81 (2004))







♦ MEs can be used to discriminate no correlation (H=0) and SM spin correlation (H=1)

$$P_{t\bar{t}}(x;H) \propto \int d\epsilon_1 d\epsilon_2 f_{PDF}(\epsilon_1) f_{PDF}(\epsilon_2) \frac{|M(y;H)|^2}{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 s} W(x,y) d\phi_6$$

• as correlation needs set of events, construct discrimination variable from MEs :

$$R(x) = \frac{P_{t\bar{t}}(x, H=1)}{P_{t\bar{t}}(x, H=0) + P_{t\bar{t}}(x, H=1)}$$
 (PLB 700, 17 (2011))

♦ D0 5.4 fb⁻¹ dilepton :

 $\mathbf{C}_{\text{beam}} = \mathbf{0.57} \pm \mathbf{0.31} \text{ (stat+syst)}$

◆ **D0 5.3 fb**⁻¹ **l+jets :**

 $C_{beam} = 0.89 \pm 0.33 \text{ (stat+syst)}$

- ♦ 30% increased sensitivity
- excellent agreement with SM
- combining statistically independent results:

 $C_{beam} = 0.66 \pm 0.23 \text{ (stat+syst)}$

- C < 0.26 @ 95% C.L. and C < 0.04 @ 99.7% C.L.
- C= 0 @ 3.1 σ SD (PRL 108, 032004 (2012))

=> first evidence for non-vanishing spin correlation !





Top Asymmetry A_f

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pos. asymmetry

- at NLO top pair production is supposed to be asymmetric because of interferences from contributions symmetric and asymmetric under top exchange
- measurement sensitive to new physics:
 - SM extension with Z' and warped extra dimension increase, axi-gluons decrease the asymmetry
- Ifferent definitions (frames, objects) but all go back to the same idea:
 - count the number of tops (anti-tops) into the direction of the proton and see whether there is any difference or not

$$A_{fb}^{t\bar{t}} = \frac{N_f - N_b}{N_f + N_b} = \frac{N(\Delta y_{t\bar{t}} > 0) - N(\Delta y_{t\bar{t}} < 0)}{N(\Delta y_{t\bar{t}} > 0) + N(\Delta y_{t\bar{t}} < 0)}$$

with $y = \frac{1}{2} \ln(\frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z})$
• less resolution dependent: lepton based definition

$$A_{fb}^{l} = \frac{N(q_{l} y_{l} > 0) - N(q_{l} y_{l} < 0)}{N(q_{l} y_{l} > 0) + N(q_{l} y_{l} < 0)}$$

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- kinematic fitters used to reconstruct event background asymmetry subtracted from data raw value unfolded correcting for reconstruction and selection CDF: 4x4 matrix-inversion **D0: regularized unfolding (50→26 bins)** results can directly be compared: MC@NLO: ~5% • Ahrens et. al. (NLO+NNLL): ~7% (arXiv:1106.6051)
 - Holik et. al. (NLO+ QED cor.) : ~9% (arXiv:1107.2606)
- measurements higher than prediction
- even larger difference for A_{fb}^{-1} :
 - D0 l+jets: $A_{fb}^{-1} = 14.2 \pm 3.8 \%$ where MC@NLO : $A_{fb}^{-1} = 0.8 \pm 0.6 \%$
 - CDF dilepton: $A_{fb}^{\Delta \eta (l)} = 21 \pm 7 \%$







- ♦ asymmetry depends on several variables like m_i, |y|
 - e.g. new physics could lead to a different mass dependency







- ◆ prediction is sensitive to modeling
 e.g. transverse tt momentum
 → better understanding needed
- in addition to SM corrections, many new models try to explain discrepancy (see e.g. S. Westhoff)
 - axigluons (FCNC at tree level)
 - Z' (excluded by CMS same sign tt production limit)
- to better understand asymmetry:
 - many models predict very different $\mathbf{A}_{h}^{\mathbf{t}}$ and $\mathbf{A}_{h}^{\mathbf{t}}$
 - \rightarrow need to measure both with full data set in l+jets and dilepton
 - many models couple only to right-handed top quarks
 - → need to study top polarization









Taking Advantage of the Clean Environment: Exploring New Aspects in Top Events

Color Flow in tt Events

- pairing of color connections in decays depends on decaying particle Singlet (singlet e.g. W,H,.. or octet, gluons)
- \rightarrow good to separate e.g. ZH \rightarrow Zbb from Z+jets
- jet pull (vectorial sum of all calorimeter cells within a jet) useful to describe color-flow (PRL 105 022001)
- jet pulls point more towards each other for jets from singlets
- study how often hadronic W boson is identified as color singlet
- ♦ D0 5.3 fb⁻¹ l+jets :

 $f_{Singlet} = 0.56 \pm 0.42 \text{ (stat+syst)}$ (PRD 83, 092002 (2011))

• expected: W boson octet exclusion @ 99% C.L.

observed: can't be excluded @ 95% C.L.













- well understood $t\bar{t}$ events allow to search for
 - resonant tt production (e.g. Z') by studying invariant tt spectrum
 - heavy new particles decaying to tops (e.g. t',b',W')
 - tops decaying to new particles $(\mathbf{H}^{\scriptscriptstyle \dagger})$
 - new couplings (e.g. FCNC, vector/tensor couplings)
- All searches well consistent with SM



FCN	D0	4.1 fb ⁻¹	BR(t \rightarrow Zq, q=u,c) < 3.2%
Z '	D0	5.3 fb ⁻¹	m _{z'} < 835 GeV excluded @ 95% C.L.
t'	D0	5.3 fb ⁻¹	m _{t'} < 285 GeV excluded @ 95% C.L.
Z' → ttj	CDF	8.7 fb ⁻¹	$0.02 \text{ pb} < \sigma < 0.61 \text{ pb for } 200 < m_{z'} < 800$
t'	CDF	5.7 fb ⁻¹	m _{t'} < 400 GeV excluded @ 95% C.L.

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Prospects



- Iegacy still needs to be written
 - most analyses use only half the data
- many analyses different between LHC and Tevatron
- more highlights expected with full data set





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- after 17 years:
 - many aspects very precisely measured (e.g. $\Delta m_{tm} < 1 \text{ GeV}$)
 - many new aspects of top quark physics pioneered
 - excellent environment to search for extensions of the SM
- so far everything consistent
- only small tensions: A_{th}
 - statistical issue, underestimated effect or new physics?
- many things I couldn't cover (e.g. width, charge, W helicity):
 - CDF
 - **D**0



