

Top physics

from Tevatron to LHC







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The only place where top quark are produced!





Tevatron luminosity



Top quark analyses up to 5.6 fb⁻¹





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Experiments

Tevatron







Multipurpose collider detectors

- high resolution inner detectors
- calorimeters
- outer muon system
- magnetic field





Top quark physics

Top quark production top quark pairs electroweak single top quark

Top quark properties mass width forward-backward asymmetry spin correlations

Searches in top quark sector



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As heavy as the atom of gold





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- The heaviest fundamental particle with unique properties
 - Large coupling to Higgs boson (~I)
 - important role in electroweak symmetry breaking?
 - $\begin{array}{ll} \square & \mbox{short lifetime: decays before} \\ & \mbox{fragmenting} \\ & \mbox{$\tau \approx 5 \times 10^{-25}s << \Lambda_{QCD}^{-1}$} \end{array}$

The most probable place for new physics to show up?





What do we know about top?



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LHC







PRD 80, 054009 (2009)



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assuming similar efficiency





In Standard Model



W decay mode defines top pair final state





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Top quark decay

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Finding top quarks: b-tagging

- Powerful tool to suppress backgrounds to top
- Utilizes
 - Iong live time of B-hadrons
 - semileptonic B decays

- ³ CDF: Neural network heavy flavor separator applied after SVX tagger
 - separates b from charm and light
 - 25 input variables
- D0: Neural Network tagger
 - combines track and secondary vertex properties - 7 variables



Tevatron experience: b-tagging usually improves the sensitivity

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b-jet identification at LHC



Impressive agreement between data and simulation
 Looks very promising even for the first top analyses at LHC



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Top pair cross section



l+jets channel

Methods:

- kinematical information
- b-jet identification



- First step in understanding selected top quark sample
- Test of theoretical QCD calculations



 Take ratio to Z cross section: trade for Z theory uncertainty



PRL 105:012001,2010

 $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 7.63 \pm 0.37(\text{stat}) \pm 0.35(\text{syst}) \pm 0.15$ (theory) pb

7% relative precision, 8.8% with luminosity uncertainty

...to be compared to Tevatron goal of 10%

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More on cross sections

- $\begin{tabular}{ll} \square Simultaneous measurement of σ_{tt} and background normalization $\end{tabular}$
- use NN flavor separator and N_{jets} distribution
 - 9% (15%) improvement of stat (syst) uncertainties
- measures K-factors for W+jets

 $\sigma_{\text{ttbar}} = 7.64 \pm 0.57 \text{ (stat+syst)} \pm 0.45 \text{ (lumi) pb}$



 $K_{W_{b\bar{b}}} = 1.57 \pm 0.25$ $K_{W_{q\bar{q}}} = 1.10 \pm 0.29$ $K_{W_{c\bar{c}}} = 0.94 \pm 0.79$ $K_{W_c} = 1.90 \pm 0.29$



Differential tt cross sections





No deviation from the SM



Cross sections summary





- Measured in all channels except for Thad Thad channel
- Dilepton results achieving good precision (13-14%) (~350 events)





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Latest dilepton result not included

- Consistent with theory prediction, challenges its precision
- Work on CDF-D0 combination is in progress

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Sensitive to new physics in s-channel



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Single top observation



D0: PRL 103 092001 (2009) CDF: 103, 092002 (2009)



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After the discovery



CDF-D0 combination (3.2 fb⁻¹)

 $\sigma = 2.76^{+0.58}_{-0.47} (\text{stat} + \text{syst}) \text{pb}$ |V_{tb}|=0.91±0.08 (stat+syst)

arXiv:0908.2171v1 [hep-ex]



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After the discovery



First evidence of t-channel single top production

- □ drop assumption of SM s/t ratio
- train discriminant for t-channel
- measure s and t simultaneously



4.8 σ evidence



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PLB 683 363 (2010)



Top rediscovery at LHC

expect 60 tt events per lepton

flavor per experiment in l+jets

channel, ≥4 jets background ~40 events

- Primary short term goal establish top quark signal
- □ Rediscovery is possible with $\sim 10 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- Major milestone for detectors
 - trigger, lepton identification, jet and E_T^{miss} calibration

Events Equivalent to 90 ATLAS Preliminary Simulation 80 50 pb⁻¹ at 7 TeV 70 CMS Preliminary @ 20 pb⁻¹ **Candidate Events** Electron Channel Pseudo data 60 ttbar $L = 200 pb^{-1}$ 10⁴ SingleTop 50 W+Jets 40 Z+Jets VV+Jets 10³ 30 20 10² 0 350 100 150 200 250 300 10 M_{ii} [GeV] 2 3 **≥**6 1 5 General strategy: Jet multiplicity simple analysis - cut and count template fit of hadronic top mass no b-tagging Reference: at Tevatron 230 pb⁻¹ $\Delta\sigma/\sigma$ (b-tagged, l+jets) - 20% E.Shabaina -- Top physics -- 22nd Recontres des Blois July 16, 2010

Signal in dilepton channel can be established with ~5 pb⁻¹ of data - 15 events over background of 3



Expected 10 pb⁻¹ sensitivity (per experiment)

Channel	N(Signal)	N(background)
e - µ	14	2.5
e – e	4.3	1.1
μ - μ	6.6	1.9
Total	25	5.5

ATL-PHYS-PUB-2009-086 + scaling to 10 pb-1 @ 7 TeV.

P. Ferrari, talk at Top 2010

$$\Delta \sigma / \sigma = 15\%$$
(stat) ± 10%(syst) ± 10%(lumi)

Atlas

Single top will be challenging

at 7 TeV 3σ excess with ~500 pb⁻¹ 5σ with ~1 fb⁻¹

@10 TeV,200 pb-	Cut based	Likel.	
s	118	112	
8	185	127	
S/B	0.64	0.89	

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$$\Delta r_{Higgs} \sim \ln(m_{H}^{2})$$



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The most precisely known top quark property





- only jets can be measured
- clean mapping between reconstructed objects and partons
- jet energy scale calibration to particle level
 - dominating uncertainty
- in-situ calibration using hadronic W mass





Jet scale used to be severely limiting factor for top physics





Mass extraction methods

Template method

- Choose variable strongly correlated with the top mass
- Compare data to MC with different mass hypothesis
- Matrix element method



- Calculate probability for event to be signal or background as a function of top mass
- Multiply event probabilities to extract the most likely mass



Maximizes statistical power by using full event information



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lepton+jets channel



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Tevatron mass combination



March 2009

- does not include the latest CDF result
- to be updated for ICHEP

$$m_{top}=173.1\pm1.3(total) \text{ GeV}$$

- Improved understanding of systematics
- Measurement in different channels consistent with each other
- Different methods produce consistent results





Tevatron mass combination

Mass of the Top Quark









Probing CPT

Is top quark mass equal to anti-top quark mass?

Drop assumption $m_t = m_{\overline{t}}$ in top mass measurement





□ Extension of ME mass analysis □ m_t , JES → m_t , m_t

- Template method
- □ variables: Δm_{reco} and $\Delta m_{reco(2)}$



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Electron channel

Muon channel

10 TeV



100 pb⁻¹

 2.7 ± 1.3

 2.8 ± 0.8

Time is needed to achieve similar precision at LHC

Tevatron measurement dominated by systematics

First measurements: template method ID for $\sim 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$: stabilized top mass, $\Delta m/m = 2 \text{ GeV} (\text{stat}) \pm 3.8 \text{ GeV} (\text{syst})$

2D for ~1 fb⁻¹: b-tagged events, m_t and JES

 $\Delta m/m = 0.6 \text{ GeV} (\text{stat}) \pm 2.0 \text{ GeV} (\text{syst})$

Statistical uncertainty [GeV] as a function of \mathscr{L}_{int}

30 pb⁻¹

 7.0 ± 2.1

 5.8 ± 1.5

Talk by J.Parsons

10 pb⁻¹

 10.8 ± 3.5

 9.9 ± 3.9

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Top mass prospects at LHC



Top quark width



SM: $\Gamma_t \sim 1.5$ GeV at NLO for $m_t = 172.5$ GeV

Additional decay modes: $t \rightarrow H^+b$, $t \rightarrow dW^+$, $t \rightarrow sW^+$?



- Direct measurement: build templates in Γ_t
- reconstruct mreco and mw



$\Gamma_{\rm t}$ < 7.5 GeV at 95% C.L.



Indirect measurement

- use single top t-channel cross section
- combine with measured branching ratio
- assumption: coupling in top production and decay is the same

 $\Gamma_t = (1.99^{+0.69}_{-0.55}) \text{GeV}, \ \tau_t = (3.2^{+1.3}_{-0.9}) \times 10^{-25} \text{s}$





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 A_{fb} (raw) = 0.073 ± 0.028





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Deviation from standard model ? ~30 theory papers in last 2 years!

new D0 update with 4.3 fb⁻¹ for ICHEP!













Spin correlations

Short lifetime

Flight directions of top decay products carry information about top polarization at production



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Searched in Top quark sector

Searches in top production

Searches in top decay



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NLO: κ=0.78

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Looking forward for first top physics results from LHC this year







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Single top quark at HERA

- Use the same selection as for W
- SM production is strongly suppressed
- Can be enhanced by FCNC
 - coupling of t to up-type quark U via γ or Z
- Background: single W production





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Understanding Jets



- Jet energy scales used to be severely limit top physics
- □ Has become less important with the W→jj calibration (simultaneous fit) in lepton+jets and all-hadronic, even applied to dilepton.
- Still limits some measurements, try to find creative ways around...



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ME method details



- Integrate over unknown q₁, q₂, y
- The jet energy calibration (JES) is a free parameter in the fit, constrained in-situ by the mass of hadronically decaying W

 $\mathcal{P}_{ ext{event}}(x; m_t, ext{JES}) = f_t \; \mathcal{P}_{tar{t}}(x; m_t, ext{JES}) + (1 - f_t) \mathcal{P}_{bkg}(x, ext{JES})$


Testing the Theory





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Sample composition

S/B at CDF	Dilepton (≥2 jets)	Lepton+Jets (≥4 jets)	All-hadronic (6-8 jets, after NN Selection)
0 b-tag	1:1	~1:4	~1:20
1 b-tag		4:1	1:4
2 b-tags	20:1	20:1	1:1





top width and new physics

t-channel cross section





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$$A_C = \frac{N_t(p) - N_{\bar{t}}(p)}{N_t(p) + N_{\bar{t}}(p)}$$

Charge asymmetry: number tops and anti-tops in a given direction (proton beam)

$$A_{fb} = \frac{N_t(p) - N_t(\bar{p})}{N_t(p) + N_t(\bar{p})}$$

Forward-backward asymmetry: number of top and anti-top quarks moving for or against a given direction

For CP invariant system $N_{\overline{t}}(p) = N_t(\overline{p})$ $A_c = A_{fb}$

$$A_{fb} = \frac{N^{\Delta y > 0} - N^{\Delta y < 0}}{N^{\Delta y > 0} + N^{\Delta y < 0}}$$

 $\Delta y = y(top) - y(anti-top)$





Color reconnection





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Spin correlations: axis



beamline: A = 0.777 at NLO best for production at threshold



helicity: A = -0.352 at NLO use direction of (anti)top quark in tt rest frame to quantize the spin

Helicity angle: angle between decay product momentum in top rest frame and top quark momentum in tt rest frame



 $\tan \omega = \sqrt{1 - \beta^2} \tan \theta$

off-diagonal: A = 0.782 at MCNLO good for pairs above threshold

Bernreuther, Brandenburger, Si and Uwer et al., Nucl. Phys. B 690, 81 (2004)

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Wtb vertex

$$\begin{split} L_{tWb} &= \frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}} W_{\mu}^{-} \bar{b} \gamma^{\mu} (f_{1}^{L} (1 - \gamma_{5}) + f_{1}^{R} (1 + \gamma_{5})) t \\ &- \frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}M_{W}} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} \bar{b} \sigma^{\mu\nu} (f_{2}^{L} (1 - \gamma_{5}) + f_{2}^{R} (1 + \gamma_{5})) t \end{split}$$

• In SM
$$f_1^L = V_{tb} \approx 1$$
, $f_2^L = f_2^R = f_1^R = 0$



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Future precision

CDF example



Systematic source	δm _{top} (GeV)
calibration	0.10
MC generator	0.37
Radiation	0.15
Residual jet energy scale	0.49
b-jet energy scale	0.26
Lepton p _T	0.14
Multiple hadron interactions	0.10
PDFs	0.14
Background	0.34
Gluon fraction	0.03
Color reconnection	0.37
Total	0.88

Approaching I GeV uncertainty on a single measurement





W helicity



Relative direction between the spin and direction of motion

Lorentz structure of Wtb vertex predicts:



Measure angle between the momenta of d-type fermion and top quark in W rest frame

Other possible variables: lepton p_T and $M_{lb}{}^2$ Lower sensitivity than $cos \vartheta^*$





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W helicity results





- Matrix Element method in I+jets channel
 - simultaneous fit of (f₀,f₊)
 - $\begin{array}{ll} f_0 = & 0.88 \pm 0.11 \; (stat) \pm 0.06 \; (syst) \\ f_+ = -0.15 \pm 0.07 \; (stat) \pm 0.06 \; (syst) \end{array}$

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- Template method in dilepton and l+jets channels
- □ simultaneous fit of (f_0, f_+)
 - $f_0 = 0.490 \pm 0.106 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.085 \text{ (syst)}$
 - $f_{+} = 0.110 \pm 0.059 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.052 \text{ (syst)}$



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Expected precision at 8 fb⁻¹

