Top-Quark Measurements at CDF with the Full Run II Data Sample

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Top Quark and the Tevatron

- Top is the heaviest known particle
  - Mass $\approx 172.5$ GeV/$c^2$
- Fermilab Tevatron
  - $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV
  - Just completed data taking phase
  - Collected 8.7 fb$^{-1}$ of data useful for these analyses
  - Top-pair cross section $\approx 7.5$ pb
  - Single top cross section $\approx 3.1$ pb

- Show some of the results from the full (or nearly full) Run II Data sample
Outline:
Mass, Properties and Cross Sections

- Top Properties
  - Forward-Backward Asymmetry: $A_{FB}$
  - Ratio of Branching Ratios: $\frac{Br(t\rightarrow Wb)}{Br(t\rightarrow Wq)}$ and $|V_{tb}|$
  - Single Top: Cross sections and $|V_{tb}|$
  - W-Helicity in Top Decays

- Top Mass
  - $M_{top}$ in Lepton+Jets
  - Top-antitop Mass Difference
  - $M_{top}$ in Met+Jets

- Conclusions
$A_{FB}$ in the Standard Model

- Standard Model has no Forward-Backward asymmetry for top pair production at LO
- NLO has interference terms that give a small asymmetry
- Some uncertainty regarding theory predictions
  - Use POWHEG central value and a 26% correction for EWK contributions

$A_{FB}^{NLO} = 6.6\%$

**POWHEG:** JHEP 0709, 126 (2007)


CDF Public Notes
- CDFNote 10774: Lepton+Jets
- CDFNote 10807: Differential Measurements
$A_{FB}$ in Lepton+Jets Events

- Have measured an $A_{FB}$ that is $3\sigma$ from zero and larger than SM predictions
- $A_{FB}$ Depends on Mass of the $t\bar{t}$ system
- $A_{FB}$ Depends on the top rapidity difference

For $M_{t\bar{t}} > 450$ GeV/$c^2$ find

$A_{FB}$ Pred = 4.4%
$A_{FB}$ Data = $(16.0 \pm 3.4)\%$
Asymmetry vs. $M_{t\bar{t}}$ and $|\Delta Y|$  

- With the full dataset we can look at the differential $A_{FB}$ as a function of $M_{t\bar{t}}$ and $|\Delta Y|$ after background subtraction.
  - SM predicts both to be roughly linear.
    - Observe a linear dependence in the data.
    - Slopes are $3\sigma$ from zero and inconsistent with SM predicted slopes.
    - $p$-values less than 1% from SM.

Can the numerical values of these slopes be useful to model builders?
Asymmetries at the Parton Level

Can unfold data to get back to the parton level to get to a “true” $A_{FB}$.

Again, linear relationships with slopes that are 3σ from zero and inconsistent with SM predicted slopes.
\[ R = \frac{Br(t \to Wb)}{Br(t \to Wq)} = \frac{|V_{tb}|^2}{|V_{td}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{tb}|^2} \]

- **SM:** \( R = 1 \) constrained by CKM unitarity. \( R < 1 \) could indicate new physics.

- Drop \( R = 1 \) assumption and measure \( R \) simultaneously with the \( t\bar{t} \) cross section.

- Expect 2 b's in each \( t\bar{t} \) event if \( BR(t \to Wb) = 100\% \)
  - Tagging efficiency determines number of Lepton+Jets events with 0, 1, or 2 tagged jets in 3, 4 or \( \geq 5 \) Jet samples.

- Derive \( |V_{tb}| \) from result (assuming a unitary 3x3 CKM matrix).
Top Cross Section, Branching Fraction and $|V_{tb}|$

Systematics included in the fit:
- Tag efficiency
- Selection efficiency
- Background normalization
- Luminosity

| $\sigma_{p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}} (pb)$ | $7.4 \pm 1.1$ |
| $R$ | $0.91 \pm 0.09$ |
| $|V_{tb}|$ | $0.95 \pm 0.05$ |
Single Top Quark Production

Motivation:
- Measure $\sigma_{s+t}$ as well as $\sigma_s$ and $\sigma_t$ simultaneously
- Gives a measure of $|V_{tb}|$
- Sensitive to New Physics (FCNC, $W'$...) and CP violation

$\approx 33\%$ $\approx 67\%$ Small

s-channel production t-channel production Associated Wt production
Data and Neural Net Analysis

- Large backgrounds in the Lepton+Jets+Met with a $b$-tag
- Use Neural Nets for $s$ and $t$-channel separately and to separate the different signals from backgrounds
Total Cross Section and $|V_{tb}|$

$|V_{tb,meas}|^2 = \frac{\sigma_{meas}}{\sigma_{SM}} \cdot |V_{tb,SM}|^2$

Set limit: $|V_{tb}| > 0.78$ at 95% CL

Extracted $|V_{tb}| = 0.92^{+0.10}_{-0.08}$ (stat. + sys.) $\pm 0.05$ (theory)

Assuming $m_{top} = 172.5$ Gev/$c^2$  

$\rightarrow \sigma^{Meas}_{s+t} = 3.04^{+0.57}_{-0.53}$ pb
Simultaneous $\sigma_t$ and $\sigma_s$ Measurement

**Measured Cross Section**

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SM prediction: arXiv:0909.0037v1
W Helicity in Top Quark Decays

- Since the top decays as a bare quark its spin information is transferred into its final state
- Sensitive to non-SM $tWb$ couplings
Simultaneous Measurement of the Longitudinal and Right-Handed Helicity

Use Matrix Element Techniques in Lepton+Jets events

Consider $\cos \theta^*$ which is the angle between the lepton in the $W$ rest frame and the momentum of the $W$ in the top quark rest frame.
W Helicity in Top Decays

Report both the uncertainties on each value as well as the joint coverage in 2-dim

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<td>Right-Handed (fix $f_0 = 0.7$)</td>
<td>$f_+ = (-2.5 \pm 2.4\text{(stat)} \pm 4.0\text{ (sys)})%$</td>
<td>$f_+ = 0.1%$</td>
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Top Quark Mass

- The top quark mass is a fundamental parameter of the Standard Model
- Affects predictions via radiative corrections
- When combined with the W mass places important constraints on the Higgs Mass
Top Mass: Lepton+Jets

- Template methods with a kernel density estimator
- Reconstruct the likelihood as a product of per-event probabilities in the 0-tag, 1 tag and 2-tag samples
- Model both right and “wrong” combination distributions as part of the method
Top Mass: Lepton+Jets

The dominant systematic is the Jet Energy Scale include it directly
Statistical Uncertainty now better than systematic uncertainty

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172.85 ± 0.71 (stat) ± 0.84 (syst) GeV
172.85 ± 1.10 GeV (precision: 0.6%)
• Look for a difference between the measured top mass and the antitop mass

• Powerful test of CPT violation

• Use the same procedure as in the previous top quark mass measurement where we assumed $M_{\text{top}} = M_{\text{antitop}}$, but remove this requirement and allow both to float independently in the fitting
Many Jet Energy systematics uncertainties cancel
Result dominated by Statistical Uncertainty

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$$\Delta M_{\text{Top}} = -1.95 \pm 1.11 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.59 \text{ (sys)} \text{ GeV/c}^2$$

$$= -1.95 \pm 1.26 \text{ GeV/c}^2$$
Top Mass: Met+Jets

- While many measurements of top pairs have come in the lepton+Jets, dilepton, and all-hadronic modes, many more $t\bar{t}$ events show up in our data.
- Identify many of them using a “catch-all” analysis which looks for events with Met+Jets where one or more of the jets is $b$-tagged.
- Many are from lost leptons or hadronic tau decays.

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Top Mass: Met+Jets

- Pick up more than 1,500 top candidate events
- Fairly clean sample
- Allows for a strong mass measurement

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<td>801 ± 70</td>
<td>450 ± 29</td>
<td>1251 ± 76</td>
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<td>2tag</td>
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<td>179 ± 23</td>
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- Use many of the same techniques as the Lepton+Jets measurement
- Systematics dominated by the jet energy scale, overall measurement dominated by statistics

\[
M_{\text{top}} = 173.9 \pm 1.6(\text{stat.} + \text{JES}) \pm 0.9(\text{syst.}) \text{ GeV/c}^2 = 173.9 \pm 1.9 \text{ GeV/c}^2
\]
Conclusions

- Measurements of the top quark continue to be a priority for the community
  - $A_{FB}$ different than the SM predictions in interesting ways
- The Tevatron legacy measurements continue to be some of the most precise results in the world
  - Individual mass measurements approaching 1 GeV each
- Many new results including $A_{FB}$, mass and cross sections in the dilepton final state coming soon

It’s an exciting time as we move from the data taking phase to the analysis-only phase at the Tevatron.
Backups
Abstract

The top-quark, discovered at the Tevatron almost two decades ago, is the heaviest elementary particle known today. Its large mass and short life time make it an ideal probe for studies of the standard model and searches for new physics. These are still intensively pursued with the full CDF Run II data sample. We present recent high-precision measurements of the forward-backward asymmetry in top pair production; of cross sections for top pair production differential in the production angle; of the single top production cross section in the s- and t-channel separately; of the top mass and of the mass difference between the top and anti-top quarks; of the top decay branching ratio into a W boson and a bottom quark; and of the helicity states of the W boson in top pair decays.
Basic Top Stuff

- **QCD pair production**
  \[ \sigma_{SM} = 7.46 \pm 0.48 - 0.67 \text{ pb} \]
  (for \( m_{\text{Top}} = 172.5 \text{ GeV} \))

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Results shown in the following based on datasets up to 8.7 fb\(^{-1}\)

- Delivered: ~ 12 fb\(^{-1}\)
- On tape: > 10 fb\(^{-1}\) per experiment

\[ \text{Luminosity (pb}^{-1}\text{)} \]

\[ \text{store number} \]
What are $A_{FB}$ and $\Delta Y$?

In proton-antiproton collisions can measure the forward-backward asymmetry ($A_{FB}$) in the production angle.

Transform from $\Theta_t$ to \textit{rapidity} ($y$)
- Invariant under longitudinal boosts
- Rapidity difference is a good proxy for production angle

Measure $\Delta y = y_t - y_{\bar{t}}$, where $y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right)$

Note: $y$ doesn’t have the usual geometric angle many of us are used to.
  At hadron colliders we usually use pseudo-rapidity which assumes $m=0$

$A_{FB} \equiv \frac{N(\Delta y > 0) - N(\Delta y < 0)}{N(\Delta y > 0) + N(\Delta y < 0)}$
Working our back to Parton Level $A_{FB}$

- Correct for
  - Finite Detector resolution
  - Smearing from incorrect reconstruction
  - Selection Cuts
  - Geometry
  - Trigger
  - Statistics

- Acceptance correction bin-by-bin of MC truth before and after selection
A Full Correction Matrix Method

- Estimate detector response matrix $S$ from Monte Carlo
- Linear equation for corrected data $\bar{x}$ from data $\bar{b}$: $S\bar{x} = \bar{b}$
- Inverse problem is ill-conditioned
- Can only be solved in least squares sense ($\min |S\bar{x} - \bar{b}|^2$)
- Even then, solution grossly magnifies statistical imprecision
- Use technique from math. stats.: Tikhonov regularization (Höcker and Kartvelishvili 1995)
- Expect true parton level distribution to be smooth
  - Many sources of systematic uncertainty
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Single Top Stuff

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Data/Prediction

Entries/(9.4 GeV/c²)

Di-jet Mass (GeV/c²): Hadronic W

- data
- t(W) f₀=0.7, f₀=0)
- EW
- Non-W
- W+Light
- W+Charm
- W+Bottom
- KS 0.29
Top Mass Stuff

- The measurements shown today are based on:
  - Template method
  - Matrix Element method

- **Template method:**
  - Pick a set of variables $x$ sensitive to $m_{\text{top}}$
  - Create "templates" = distributions of $x$ using MC:
    - for signal: $x = x(m_{\text{top}})$, e.g. $x = m_{\text{top}}^{\text{reco}}$
    - for background
  - Maximise the likelihood of their consistence with the data
  - **Advantages:**
    - few assumptions
    - fairly straightforward
    - combination of channels easy
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Matrix Element method:
- Calculate p.d.f. on an event-by-event basis:

\[ P_{\text{evt}}(x, m_{\text{top}}) \propto f P_{\text{sig}}(x, m_{\text{top}}) + (1 - f) P_{\text{bgr}}(x) \]

- The clue:

\[ P_{\text{sig}}(x, m_{\text{top}}) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{tt}(m_{\text{top}})} \int W(x, y) d\sigma_{tt}(y, m_{\text{top}}) \propto |\mathcal{M}|^2(y, m_{\text{top}}) \]

- For each event, we calculate \( P_{\text{sig}}(x, m_{\text{top}}) \) based on its consistency to come from \( tt \) production, depending on \( m_{\text{top}} \).
- Use Transfer Functions \( W(x, y) \) to map parton level quantities \( y \) to reco level quantities \( x \).
- \( \rightarrow \) Maximal use of stat. information on event-by-event basis!
  - (Disadvantage: high computational demand)
Top Mass Stuff: Lepton+Jets

- Template method in lepton+jets final states, CDF (8.7 fb\(^{-1}\))
  - Reconstruct the event kinematics by minimising:
    \[
    \chi^2 = \sum_{i=\ell,4\text{jets}} \frac{(p_T^{i,\text{fit}} - p_T^{i,\text{meas}})^2}{\sigma_i^2} + \sum_{j=x,y} \frac{(U_j^{\text{fit}} - U_j^{\text{meas}})^2}{\sigma_j^2} \\
    + \frac{(M_{jj} - M_W)^2}{\Gamma_W^2} + \frac{(M_{\ell\nu} - M_W)^2}{\Gamma_W^2} + \frac{(M_{bjj} - m_t^{\text{reco}})^2}{\Gamma_t^2} + \frac{(M_{b\ell\nu} - m_t^{\text{reco}})^2}{\Gamma_t^2}
    \]
    - JES constraint
    - MET constraint
    - \(m_{\text{top}}\) extraction

- Consider jet-parton assignments consistent with b-tagging
- Form templates from:
  - \(m_t^{\text{reco}}\): best jet-parton ass’t
  - \(m_t^{\text{reco}(2)}\): second-best ass’t
  - \(m_{jj}\): dijet invariant mass

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Ratio of branching fractions $R$

In the SM the ratio $R = \frac{BR(t \to Wb)}{BR(t \to Wq)} = \frac{|V_{tb}|^2}{|V_{td}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{tb}|^2}$ is constrained by CKM unitarity to be $R = 1 \rightarrow R < 1$ could indicate new physics.

Measure $R$ simultaneously with the ttbar cross section dropping the assumption $R = 1$.

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$R = 0.91 \pm 0.09$

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stat +syst uncertainties

DO 5.4 $fb^{-1}$ (dilepton & l+jets)

$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 7.74^{+0.67}_{-0.57}$ pb

$R = 0.90 \pm 0.04$

$|V_{tb}| = 0.95 \pm 0.02$

$|V_{tb}| > 0.88$ @ 99.7% CL

stat +syst uncertainties
Single Top Stuff

- Train the NN with 11~14 variables in four channels (2, 3 jets with 1, 2 b-tags)
- Train for s-channel in 2 jet 2 b-tags, train for t-channel in the rest channels
- Train the NN with systematic mixed samples for better uncertainty constraint (~3% improvement expected)

- Main analysis channel: Lepton+Jets
  - Only one isolated lepton
  - Large missing Et from neutrino
  - At least 2 jets
  - At least one of the jets is b-tagged

  • Background rejection:
    • CDF: Veto QCD, Dilepton, Z and Cosmic
  • Still large backgrounds share similar final state after the background rejection.