EXPERIMENT Measurement of **Top Quark Production and Properties** with the ATLAS Detector



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Why top physics?

<u>Heaviest yet fundamental particle</u> <u>Decays as a free quark</u>

New physics might affect its properties

- Examples of interesting top measurement.
 - Pair-production cross-section (QCD) Study different decay channels
 - Single top production (EWK) t-channel, Wt-channel, s-channel
 - Properties: mass, width, charge, spin
 - -Wtb vertex

W helicity, anomalous coupling

- Anomalous production Resonances, modified final state



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ATLAS detector and data



Data collected in 2010 (pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV)

- Pile-up now up to $\langle n_{vtx} \rangle = 4$
- Peak lumi 2.1 x 10³² cm⁻² s⁻¹
- Single lepton triggers ~35 pb⁻¹
- Lumi. uncertainty down to 3.4%

| Inner Tracking Detectors | | | Calorimeters | | | | Muon Detectors | | | |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|--------------|------------|------------|------|----------------|------|------|------|
| Pixel | SCT | TRT | LAr EM | LAr HAD | LAr FWD | Tile | MDT | RPC | CSC | TGC |
| 99.1 | 99.9 | 100 | 90.7 | 96.6 | 97.8 | 100 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 96.2 | 99.8 |

Luminosity weighted relative detector uptime and good quality data delivery during 2010 stable beams in pp collisions at Vs=7 TeV between March 30th and October 31st (in %). The inefficiencies in the LAr calorimeter will partially be recovered in the future.



First top quarks at LHC



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ATLAS (single, di-lepton) and CMS (di-lepton) measure σ_{tt}



Essential ingredients: QCD multijet background; W,Z+jets; b-tagging calibration 4

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History of top quark measurements at ATLAS



▶ 280 nb⁻¹

- First event display (ATLAS-CONF-2010-063)
- Background distributions (ATLAS-CONF-2010-087)
- ▶ 2.9 pb⁻¹
 - Cross section measurement publication on EPJC (arXiv:1012.1792)

▶ Production cross section (35 pb⁻¹)

- Single lepton pre-tag (ATLAS-CONF-2011-023)
- Single lepton b-tag (ATLAS-CONF-2011-035)
- Dilepton (ATLAS-CONF-2011-034)
- Combination (ATLAS-CONF-2011-040)
- Single top (ATLAS-CONF-2011-027)

Properties (35 pb⁻¹)

- Mass (ATLAS-CONF-2011-033)
- W helicity (ATLAS-CONF-2011-037)
- tt + anomalous E_T^{miss} (ATLAS-CONF-2011-036)

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Selecton of Top Quarks





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data driven estimation of W+jets, fake(QCD), Z+jets

W+jets in single lepton channel



• W / Z

- making use of clean Z+jets

 $W^{\geq 4jets} = W_{data}^{1jet}(Z^{\geq 4jets}/Z^{1jet}) \cdot C_{\mathrm{MC}}$

 $C_{\rm MC} = \frac{(W^{\geq 4\rm jets}/W^{1\rm jet})_{MC}}{(Z^{\geq 4\rm jets}/Z^{1\rm jet})_{MC}}$

- SR: ≥ 4 jets, CR: 1 jet

 top pairs, QCD multi-jets, and Z+jets are charge symmetric but W⁺ > W⁻ due to PDF effect.

$$N_{W^+} + N_{W^-} = \left(\frac{r_{MC} + 1}{r_{MC} - 1}\right) \left(D^+ - D^-\right)$$
$$r_{MC} \equiv \frac{\sigma(pp \to W^+)}{\sigma(pp \to W^-)}$$

| | W/Z ratio | W/Z ratio | W^{+}/W^{-} | W^{+}/W^{-} |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Channel | Electron | Muon | Electron | Muon |
| Estimated $W \rightarrow lv$ | 150 | 290 | n.a. | n.a. |
| Estimated $W \rightarrow \tau \nu$ | 6 | 19 | n.a. | n.a. |
| Statistical uncertainty | 21% | 17% | 33% | 27% |
| Purity of control samples | 3% | 2% | | |
| Theoretical uncertainties | 12% | 9.4% | 8.2% | 7.0% |
| Jet energy scale | 3% | 3% | 3.6% | 3.6% |
| Total W+jets background | 160 ± 40 | 310 ± 60 | 240 ± 80 | 380 ± 110 |



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fake (QCD) & Z+jets ▶ fake:



- - Matrix method

 $N^{\text{loose}} = N^{\text{loose}}_{\text{prompt}} + N^{\text{loose}}_{\text{non-prompt}},$ $N^{\text{tight}} = \epsilon_{\text{prompt}} N_{\text{prompt}}^{\text{loose}} + \epsilon_{\text{non-prompt}} N_{\text{non-prompt}}^{\text{loose}}$

- AntiElectron fitting method
 - Fit with fake template; AntiElectron: some electron ID is inverted.
- Z/γ*+jets : MC-assisted data-driven estimation



Ott measurement

σ_{tt} single lepton (no b-tagging) **ATLAS**

ATLAS-CONF-2011-023

Projective likelihood based on uncorrelated discriminating variables

- Three variables chosen:



Binned maximum likelihood to 4 channels (3-jets, ≥ 4-jets; e, µ)

| 140 e+ b a t b a t b a t b a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a t b a t a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a b a | Syst. source | Rel. unc. % |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| | | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |
| $\int Ldt = 35 \text{ pb}^{-1} \qquad \int Ldt = 35 \text{ pb}^{-1} \qquad \qquad$ | et en. scale & econstruction | -6.1 / +5.7 |
| Other Bkgd | SR/FSR | -2.1 / +6.1 |
| | CD norm. | 3.9 |
| | CD shape | 3.4 |
| | arton shower & adronisation | 3.3 |
| 0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 1 T C | otal syst. | -10.2 / +11.6 |

Independent of b-tagging

- avoids related systematic uncertainty at the price of a worse S/B ratio
- Relative uncertainty ~15%
- cross-checked by cut-and-count and 1d χ^2 and likelihood fits



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σ_{tt} single lepton with b-tags

Multivariate method

- split up to six channels (3, 4, ≥5 jets, e, μ)
- Input variables
- lepton η, aplanarity, H_{T,3p}, b-tag weight
- Profile likelihood fit extracts
- 16 norm. parameters, including σ_{tt}





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σ_{tt} dilepton

Cut-based method

- require 2 OS hard leptons (e, μ),
 20 GeV
- two energetic jets, 20 GeV
- Z+jets is dominating background
- ee/µµ: $E_T^{miss} > 40 \text{ GeV and } |m_{II} \cdot m_Z| > 10 \text{ GeV}$
- eµ: H_T > 130 GeV
- Events in SR are compatible with top quarks
- Profile likelihood method to combine channels
- 105 events selected, 101 ± 9 expected.
 Data well modeled by MC+DD.





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140

120

100

80

60

40

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Additional b-tagging requirement improves S/B but the systematics is large.





tt cross-section combination



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ATLAS-CONF-2011-040

Combine single lepton and dilepton channels

choose most precise: single lepton with b-tag & dilepton w/o b-tag



- Statistical uncertainty ~4%
- Systematic uncertainty ~8%
- Luminosity uncertainty ~3%
- Agrees with QCD prediction

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 $\delta\sigma = 10\%$

Ot measurements

Single top: t-channels

cut-based (likelihood cross-check)

- 1 lepton, 1 b-jet, 1 light-jet, ET^{miss}
- bkg: QCD multi-jets, W+jets
- final cut m_{top}∈(130;210)GeV;|η_{light-jet}|>2.5





likelihood ratio adding H_T(j), cosΔΦ(I.E_T^{miss}),ΔR(b.I)



Single top: Wt-channels

cut-based

New channel!

ATLAS-CONF-2011-027

15 pb

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- I+jets: 2-4 jets, exactly 1b-jet (against tt), $\Delta R(j1,j2) < 2.5$ (W+jets)
- dilepton: data driven Z+jets, fakes, tt (from Njets>1)
- combine channels, expect $\sigma_{Wt} < 94$ pb $\sigma_{Wt} < 158$ pb at 95%



Top mass, W helicity, $T \rightarrow tA0$,

Top quark mass

- First ATLAS measurement
 - Main aim: reduce JES uncertainty
- Template in R₃₂ = m_{jjb}(t)/m_{jj}(W)
- Systematics (b-)JES, ISR/FSR
- Cross-checked by
 - kinematic fit templates
 - 2d templates with Jet Scaling Factor







W helicity in top decays



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Template

method

0.36±0.10

Asymmetry

method

0.41±0.12

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The Standard Model predicts helicity fractions of W from top

- $F_L = 0.301, F_0 = 0.698, F_R = 4.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$
- Wtb structure probed by verifying this; set limits on new physics
- Can extract directly from $\cos \theta^*$ or unfold and calculate asymmetry



tt + anomalous E^{miss}

- Search for anomalous E^{miss} in tt(I+jets) events
 - benchmark: TT pair, T→tA₀
 - A₀ dark matter candidate
 - Enhanced cross-section due to spin states
 - Signal region:
 - E_T^{miss} >80 GeV, m_T >120 GeV; dilepton veto: p_T > 15 GeV, tracks, loose electrons
 - Exclude m(T) < 275 GeV, $m(A_0) < 50 \text{ GeV}$ and m(T) < 300 GeV, $m(A_0) < 10 \text{ GeV}$ -







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Conclusion and Outlook



The era of top physics at the LHC has just started

 with only 35 pb⁻¹ can already look into production cross-section, mass, single-top and several properties

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- competitive measurements are emerging: cross-section at 10%
- Statistics limited analysis will become attractive this year
 - anticipate ~0.7 fb⁻¹ by Summer and ~2 fb⁻¹ by the end of the year

Focus to reduce systematics

 improve detector understanding; use advanced analysis techniques



▶ 2011: the year of precision top measurements at LHC



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QCD in single lepton channel



Matrix method (muon)

non prompt : QCD muon from jet : Isolated muon from W decay prompt



ε_{prompt}: Z decay ɛnon-prompt : control region



Fitting method (electron)

- QCD template built from electron sample with ID cut inversion.

Uncertainty ~50%





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Uncertainty ~30%



b-tagging



- Performance of b-tagging depends on details of detector performance
- Data-driven estimates of b-tag efficiency and mistag rate
 - 'p^{rel}': the p^T wrt jet axis of associated μ to calibrate b-tagging.

Study repeated for full 2010 data sample

- Efficiency data-to-MC scale factors $\kappa_{\epsilon b}$ are unity within ${\sim}10\%$
- $D^{\ast}\mu$ and tt for cross-check
- Mis-tag rate affects cross-section extraction less
- JetProb calibrated for ε_b= 50%, 70%
 - Average JetProb weight of two most b-like jets, w_{JP} is used as a continuous variable in the single lepton analysis



Scale Factor κ_{e_b}





Мт2



$$m_{\mathrm{T2}}^2 = \min_{p_{(1)} + p_{(2)} = E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}} \left[\max\{m_{\mathrm{T}}^2(p_{\mathrm{T}}^{lj(1)}, p_{(1)}), m_{\mathrm{T}}^2(p_{\mathrm{T}}^{lj(2)}, p_{(2)})\} \right]$$

$$m_{\mathrm{T}}^{2}(p_{\mathrm{T}}^{lj(i)}, p_{(i)}) = m_{lj(i)}^{2} + m_{p_{(i)}}^{2} + 2[E_{\mathrm{T}}^{lj(i)}E_{\mathrm{T}}^{p_{(i)}} - \vec{p}_{\mathrm{T}}^{lj(i)}\vec{p}_{\mathrm{T}}^{p_{(i)}}]$$

with the transverse momentum of the composite object of one lepton and one jet $p_T^{lj(i)}$, of the trial neutrino $p_{(i)}$ and their transverse energy E_T and masses m. The minimization uses trial momenta for the neutrinos which only have to satisfy the measured E_T^{miss} . From the two possible combinations of leptons and highest- p_T jets the combination with the smallest m_{T2} is chosen.

C.G. Lester, D.J.Summers (1999)

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