## **Experimental Top Quark Results**

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#### Outline



> As the time available is limited ...

The focus of this talk is on measurements of top quark properties
 I will not talk about BSM-specific results, although some are included at the end of the talk

The talk is also biased towards CMS and ATLAS, although Tevatron results are included where possible

# The Top Quark

 $\blacktriangleright$  Top is the Q = +<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>e, T<sub>3</sub> = +<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> weak isospin partner of the b-quark in the third generation

> Top mass:  $m_t = 173.07 \pm 0.52 \pm 0.72 \text{ GeV}$ (PDG value based on Tevatron measurements)  $\blacktriangleright$  Mass comparable to Rhenium atom (Z =75)

Top decays to Wb ~100% of the time  $\succ$  Implies  $|V_{tb}|$  close to unity

- $\blacktriangleright$  Lifetime ~ 0.5 x 10<sup>-24</sup> s
  - > Top decays before it can hadronize
  - $\succ$  We can study the properties of the bare quark

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## Why is the top quark important?

Top quark plays an important role in EW symmetry breaking

 $\succ$  Large mass  $\Rightarrow$  Large Yukawa coupling

 $\overline{Y_D \approx (10^{-5}, 0.0005, 0.026)}$ 

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 $Y_U \approx \begin{pmatrix} 10^{-5} & -0.002 & 0.007 + 0.004i \\ 10^{-6} & 0.007 & -0.04 + 0.0008i \\ 10^{-8} + 10^{-7}i & 0.0003 & 0.92 \end{pmatrix}$ 

Plays an important role in many BSM scenarios:

- Resonant tt production
- $\succ$  Extra decay modes, eg. t  $\rightarrow$  H<sup>+</sup>b, FCNC t  $\rightarrow$  qZ, light Stop decays
- Same sign top quark pairs

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### Production of Top Quark Pairs



## **Production Mechanisms**

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Dominant production mechanism via pQCD:



#### Top quark pair decays





Classify decays according to how the W bosons decay:

#### **Top Pair Branching Fractions**



### Backgrounds

#### **QCD** background

Particular problem for all-jets decay: Model using event mixing and fitting

#### Z + jets

Particular problem for di-lepton decay: Model using Z-peak data

#### W + jets

Particular problem for I + jets decay: Handled using template fit

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Likelihood

#### Production cross section: Top pairs



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#### Top Pair Cross Section @ vs = 7 TeV



#### Top Pair Cross Section @ √s = 8 TeV



#### Cross Section: Energy Dependence



#### Differential cross sections



#### Differential cross sections



#### Cross section versus Jet Multiplicity

> Top pair cross section in the presence of additional jets

Helps constrain ISR, as well as testing pQCD

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n<sub>jets</sub>

#### **Top Mass Measurements**

- Matrix Element method
  - Use MEs for processes contributing to final state to evaluate event-by-event probability densities. Likelihood fit.
- Neutrino weighting method
  - Dileptons two neutrinos cannot be separated
  - $\succ$  Expect Gaussian distribution for vn (width  $\propto$  m<sub>+</sub>)
- $\succ$ Ideogram/Template fits
  - $\succ$  Fit reconstructed masses or other kinematic variables
- Extraction from cross section measurements
- $\succ$ B-hadron lifetime technique
  - $\blacktriangleright$  Parametrise L<sub>xy</sub> in terms of m<sub>t</sub>
- Extraction from kinematic endpoints 3-body decay constraints on various forms of transverse mass



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M<sub>bl</sub> (GeV)

150

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#### **Top Mass Measurements**



#### **Top Mass: Related Issues &** Measurements

- What mass are we measuring?
  - $\blacktriangleright$  Extraction from measured cross section: MS scheme
  - Other methods: Effectively measuring "MC" m<sub>+</sub>
  - $\succ$  m<sub>t</sub> (MC) m<sub>t</sub> (pole)  $\approx$  uncertainty on mass measurement



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# $B(t \rightarrow Wb)/B(t \rightarrow Wq)$



- > Decay rate of t  $\rightarrow$  Wq (q = d, s, b) is proportional to  $\left|V_{tq}\right|^2$
- Assuming that the CKM is a 3 × 3 unitary matrix highly constrains |V<sub>tb</sub>| to be close to unity

$$R = \frac{B(t \rightarrow Wb)}{B(t \rightarrow Wq)} = \frac{\left|V_{tb}\right|^2}{\left|V_{tb}\right|^2 + \left|V_{ts}\right|^2 + \left|V_{td}\right|^2}$$

$$\succ$$
 Allows the study of  $|V_{tq}|$ 

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 $R(D0) = 0.90 \pm 0.04(stat + syst)$  $R(CDF) = 0.94 \pm 0.09(stat + syst)$  $R(CMS) = 1.023^{+0.036}_{-0.034}(stat + syst)$ 

 $R(SM) = 0.99830_{-0.00009}^{+0.00006}$ 

Good consistency between experiments and with SM expectations

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- Difference expected from QCD in angular distributions for top and anti-top quarks
  - Known as the charge asymmetry
  - ➢ @ LHC expect ~1% effect
- > Expect different behaviour at Tevatron vs. LHC
  - $\succ$  Tevatron results deviate from SM expectations at 2-3 $\sigma$  level
    - $\succ$  Interesting enhancement observed at large m<sub>tt</sub>

### **Top Charge Asymmetry**

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# **Spin Correlations**



- Expect negligible top-quark polarization and finite spin correlation in SM





## **Top Quark Polarization**

#### ATLAS results:

 $\alpha_l P_{CPC} = -0.035 \pm 0.014 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.037 \text{ (syst)}$  $\alpha_l P_{CPV} = 0.020 \pm 0.016 \text{ (stat)}_{-0.017}^{+0.013} \text{ (syst)}$ 

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CPC = top and anti-top have same polarization

CPV = top and anti-top have opposite polarization

Results are consistent with SM expectations and earlier CMS measurement (note factor of 2)

$$P = -0.009 \pm 0.029 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.041 \text{ (syst)}$$

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

P = the degree of polarisation  $\alpha_i$  = spin analyzing power of the final-state particle (LHC uses charged leptons  $\alpha$  = 1.0)

**SM P ≈ 0.003** (arXiv:1305.2066)

$$P = \frac{N(\cos(\theta^{+}) > 0) - N(\cos(\theta^{+}) < 0)}{N(\cos(\theta^{+}) > 0) + N(\cos(\theta^{+}) < 0)}$$

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## W Boson Polarization

Massive spin-1 W boson has three polarization (helicity) states

- $\succ$  SM predictions for helicity fractions:  $F_0$ ,  $F_L$  and  $F_R$
- > Extracted from angular distributions of W decay products



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# Modeling of Top Quark Events

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- Perugia11 tunes could be further constrained especially for the case where colour reconnection effects are excluded
- b-quark fragmentation and hadronization also studied

## Modeling of Top Quark Events



Integrated jet shape:

$$\Psi(r) = \frac{p_T(0,r)}{p_R(0,R)}; \quad r \le R$$

- Observations support earlier CDF measurements: b-jets expected to be broader than light-quark jets
- Behaviour consistent with pQCD
- Perugia11 tunes slightly disfavoured by jet shapes data
- Help improve modeling of jets in MC

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# ttV production



Top quark couplings need to be tested:

Test Wtb coupling via single top production



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- > Test coupling to  $\gamma/Z$  via tt+ $\gamma/Z$ 
  - ttγ measured at Tevatron & LHC
  - ttZ cross section too low for observation at the Tevatron

CDF tty result:  $\sigma_{t\bar{t}\gamma} = 0.18 \pm 0.07(stat) \pm 0.04(syst) \pm 0.01(lumi)$ pb  $\sigma_{t\bar{t}\gamma}^{NLO} = 0.17 \pm 0.03$ pb PRD 84 031104

ATLAS tty result:  $\sigma_{t\bar{t}\gamma} \cdot BR = 2.0 \pm 0.5(stat) \pm 0.7(syst) \pm 0.08(lumi)$ pb  $\sigma_{t\bar{t}\gamma}^{SM} \cdot BR = 2.1 \pm 0.4$ pb ATLAS-CONF-2011/153



95% credibility

## ttH production



Large top Yukawa coupling  $\rightarrow$  special role for top in EW symmetry breaking?





## Single Top Production



### **Production mechanisms**

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#### Electroweak top quark production – all involve a Wtb vertex in the production mechanism

## t-channel production

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#### Dominant production mechanism for LHC and Tevatron

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#### Consistent results between experiments and with SM predictions

## t-channel production

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> At LHC, expect asymmetry in production of top and anti-top quarks:

$$\sigma_{top} = 56.4_{-0.3}^{+2.1}(scale) \pm 1.1(PDF) \text{pb}$$
  

$$\sigma_{anti-top} = 30.7 \pm 0.7(scale)_{-1.1}^{+0.9}(PDF) \text{pb}$$
  

$$R = \frac{\sigma_{top}}{\sigma_{anti-top}} = 1.84$$

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### Top Polarization: t-channel measurement

 $\blacktriangleright$  Expect top quarks to be  $\approx$  100% polarized

> Examine the V-A coupling structure of the Wtb vertex

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$$A_{l} = \frac{1}{2} P_{t} \alpha_{l} = \frac{N(\uparrow) - N(\downarrow)}{N(\uparrow) + N(\downarrow)}$$

 $\alpha_{I}$  = 1.0 in SM for charged leptons

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 $P_{t} = -1^{+0.5}$ 

Cannot exclude opposite polarization or unpolarized production

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## tW production

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Second largest production mechanism at LHC; negligible at Tevatron

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#### s-channel production

ATLAS s-channel measurement from Vs = 7 TeV

σ < 26.5 pb @ 95% CL

So far only evidence for s-channel production from Tevatron

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### Summary & Prospects

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At Vs = 13-14 TeV and 300 fb<sup>-1</sup>, expect 250M tt pairs and 100M single top events

Expect some substantial improvements to top-related measurements, plus some new ones

> Exploit different top mass extraction techniques eg.  $t \rightarrow b \rightarrow J / \psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ 

- Improved ttV (V = W, Z) measurements, plus first measurement of tZ
  - Constraint of top couplings to both Z and photon
- Top Yukawa coupling
- Improvement of systematics on existing measurement techniques
- Lots of new and exciting physics to come!

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#### **Extra Material**

#### **Top-Anti-Top Resonances**

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Obs. 95% CL upper limit Exp. 95% CL upper limit

Exp. 1 σ uncertainty Exp. 2 σ uncertainty Leptophobic Z' (LO x 1.3)

ATLAS Preliminary

 $\sigma_{Z'} \times BR(Z' {\rightarrow} t \bar t) \; [pb]$ 

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√s = 8 TeV

 $L dt = 14.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ 

- > A number of BSM theories allow for resonant top pair production:
  - Benchmark theories:
    - Leptophobic top-colour Z' (narrow resonances)
    - ➢ KK gluons from RS models (broad resonances)
- Tops tend to be highly boosted
  - Use jet substructure observables to identify them

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# Top Quarks & Supersymmetry

Stop pair production decaying to either top plus neutralino or botton plus chargino

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# Ratio of $\sigma$ (ttbb) to $\sigma$ (ttqq)

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- Irreducible background to ttH measurement
- Measure ratio as many systematics cancel

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Examples of LO ttbb production diagrams

 $\sigma(t\overline{t}b\overline{b}) / \sigma(t\overline{t}jj) = 0.023 \pm 0.003(stat) \pm 0.005(syst)$ 

Jet  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV/c}$ 

 $\sigma(t\overline{t}b\overline{b}) / \sigma(t\overline{t}jj) = 0.022 \pm 0.004(stat) \pm 0.005(syst)$ 

Jet  $p_T > 40 \text{ GeV/c}$ 

#### MADGRAPH: 0.016 ± 0.002, 0.013 ± 0.002 POWHEG: 0.017 ± 0.002, 0.014 ± 0.002

Results appear reasonably consistent with MC predictions