Top Quark Properties results and ongoing analyses at CDF

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Fermilab's Tevatron



- Currently the highest energy particle accelerator in the World
 - Proton-antiprotons beam
- 2 multi-purpose detectors
 - **D** \varnothing and CDF
- Run I (1992-1996)
 - ⇒ √s = 1.8 TeV
 - Discover top quark in 1995!
 - Integrated luminosity 120 pb⁻¹
- Run II (2001-present)
 - ⇒ √s = 1.96 TeV
 - Integrated luminosity by April, 05:
 - Contract Contract
 - In tape ~600pb⁻¹

This talk about CDF Collider Detector at Fermilab



Top Quark Production at the Tevatron

produced in pairs via the strong interactions.



ttbar final states

- **○** In the SM the BR(t \rightarrow Wb) >0.99 @95%CL
- ➡ Final state is given by W⁺ and W⁻ decays
 - **S** All Hadronic channel
 - Large BR
 - Small S/B
 - **Constant** Lepton (e, μ) + Jets channel
 - Second large BR
 - Good S/B
 - overconstrained kinematics
 - Dilepton channel
 - BR is ¼ of L+Jets
 - cleanest channel
 - underconstrained kinematics
 - Lepton + Hadronic Tau channel
 - Very small BR
 - ➡ S/B~1
- Production cross section measured in all these channels
 - See Petra Merkel's talk, tomorrow)



Can we measure $BR(t \rightarrow Wb)$?

Measurement of BR(t \rightarrow Wb)/BR(t \rightarrow Wq)

- **Indirect measurement using the CKM matrix** :
 - Elements |V_{ub}| and |V_{cb}| are measured from the decay of B mesons to be very small.
 - Assuming unitarity and only three generations |V_{tb}| is expected to be 0.998@90 %CL
- **With top quarks at hand we can measure it directly** :
 - we measure R, defined as

$$R = \frac{BR(t \to Wb)}{BR(t \to Wq)} = \frac{|V_{tb}|^2}{|V_{td}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{tb}|^2} \quad \text{where } q = \{d, s, b\}$$

- Use the ability to identify jets with a distinguished secondary vertex associated with the b parton.
 - \bigcirc The number of b-tagged jets depends strongly on R and ε_{b}
- We classify the ttbar sample based on the number of b-tagged jets
 - ➡ The relative rates of events with 0/1/2 b-tags is very sensitive to R

Measurement of BR(t \rightarrow Wb)/BR(t \rightarrow Wq)

- Use the Lepton+Jets and Dilepton samples.
 - Total integrated luminosity of 162 pb⁻¹
- Lepton+Jets sample requires:
 - **Soluted lepton (e, \mu) with E_T>20 GeV**
 - \blacksquare ME_T>20 GeV
 - at least 4 jets with $E_T > 15$ GeV
- Classify both samples based on the number of 0/1/2 b-tagged jets
- Estimate the background contribution to each of the six sub-samples
 - MC and data driven
 - Background in the Lepton+Jet with
 0-tags obtained using NN techniques.

- **Dilepton** sample requires :
 - **C** At least two leptons (ee, $\mu\mu$, $e\mu$) E_T>20 GeV
 - \square ME_T>20 GeV
 - at least two jets with $E_T > 15$ GeV.



Measurement of BR(t \rightarrow Wb)/BR(t \rightarrow Wq)

In the Dilepton and Lepton+Jets samples analyze the relative number of events with different multiplicity of secondary vertexes, *i*.



Instead, we take the approach of normalizing to the measured cross section

$$N_{inc}^{t\bar{t}} = \sum_{i} N_i^{obs} - N_i^b$$

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Measurement of BR(t→Wb)/BR(t→Wq)



Solution Mild excess in double b-tags sample drives the R value above 1

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Charged Higgs bosons appear in the context of 2HDM's, like MSSM.

- ⇒ E.S.B → 5 Higgs bosons; 3 neutral (h⁰, H⁰, A⁰) and <u>2 charged (H[±])</u>
 Many new decay channels :
 - ⇒ h⁰, H⁰ → bb, ττ, gg, W⁺W⁻, ZZ, cc ⇒ A → bb, ττ, gg, Zh⁰ ⇒ H⁺→t^{*}b, τ+ν, cs, W⁺h⁰, W⁺A, etc This analysis assumes H+ may decay to any of these
- The presence of an H+ would affect the relative number of events in each top decay channel, according to its decay. For example :
 - **If H+** $\rightarrow \tau v$, number of events in the **Lepton+Tau** sample would show an excess.
 - If H+→cs, number of events in the Dilepton and Lepton+Jets would show a deficit.

Top and Higgs BR's unknown. MSSM can predicted them for specific benchmark parameters.

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- **Solution** For each top quark we have 5 possible decay modes
 - t→Wb
 - t→H⁺b→t*bb→W⁺bbb
 - ⊃ t→H⁺b→c<u>s</u>b

⊃ t→H⁺b→τνb

- **⊃** t→H⁺b→W⁺h⁰b→W⁺b<u>b</u>b
- Use the Dilepton, Lepton+Jets (1 and 2 or more tags) and Lepton+TauH (generically XSA)
- **The number of expected candidates** N^{exp} is

$$N_{XSA}^{\exp} = N_{XSA}^{back} + \sigma \mathcal{E}_{tt,XSA} \int L dt \longrightarrow \text{-191 pb}^{-1}$$

from XS meas.
$$\sigma_{\text{theo}}^{\text{theo}} = (6.7 \pm 0.7)\text{pb}$$
(hep-ph 0303085)
$$\int \mathcal{E}_{tt,XSA} = \sum_{i,j=1}^{5} B_i B_j \quad \mathcal{E}_{i,j \text{ XSA}} \left(wTop, wHiggs, m_{H^{\pm}}, m_{h^0} \right)$$

Branching fractions of each decay mode

- Need to know the BR's to compute the efficiency
- **Civen {BR's} compare Nobs to Nexp for each cross section measurement**
 - Use a likelihood in the parameter of interest

Using CPsuperH (hep-ph/0307373) to predict the BRs
 Full QCD, SUSY-EW and SUSY-QCD corrections included



Content Expected Events as a function of $tan(\beta)$. Integrated luminosity 191 pb⁻¹



SR's predicted by MSSM in Minimal Stop Mixing scenario



SR's predicted by MSSM in another benchmark scenario











C Results are, within reach, consistent with the SM.

○ Assume then that $t \rightarrow W^+b$



But, is the nature of the tWb vertex as expected?

W helicity from $t \rightarrow Wb$ decays

- Examines the nature of the tWb vertex, probing the structure of weak interactions at energy scales near EWSB
- Stringent test of SM and its V-A type of interaction.







W helicity from $t \rightarrow Wb$ decays

- In general, the θ^* distribution of top decays in the W rest frame is W rest frame $w(\cos\theta^*) = F_{-} \cdot \frac{3}{8} (1 - \cos\theta^*)^2 + F_{0} \cdot \frac{3}{4} (1 - \cos^2\theta^*) + F_{+} \cdot \frac{3}{8} (1 + \cos\theta^*)^2$ where F_+F₀+F₊≡1
- In the Standard Model : $F_{-}=0.3$ $F_{0}=0.7$ $F_{+}\approx0$ (exact when $m_{b}=0$) 0



- The different W helicities result in different P_{T} spectrums
 - left-handed: leptons are emitted opposite to W boson (softer lepton P_{T})
 - longitudinal: leptons are emitted perpendicular to the W (harder lepton P_{T})
 - right-handed: leptons are emitted parallel to W boson (hardest lepton P_{T})

W⁺

W helicity : Longitudinal Fraction



- **C** Likelihood analysis of P_T spectrum
- Combined lepton+jet and dilepton samples: 57+13 events



- **dominated by statistical uncertainties Likelihood analysis of** $\cos(\theta^*) \cong \frac{2m_{lb}^2}{m_t^2 - m_W^2} - \frac{2}{m_t^2}$
- Lepton+jets : 31 events
- Use mass fitter to select the



- Mild Excess in the low Pt region
- Right Handed Fraction: measurement ongoing at CDF. (Run 1 F₊<0.18 @95%)</p>

What about production ?



- ➡ We know that, within errors,:
 - The top decays mostly to b
 - The top decays mostly to W+
 - **The nature of the tWb vertex is what's expected.**



Are some top pairs coming from a resonance?

Search for ttbar resonances



Template method : 3 templates for modeling data: X₀, tt, W+4p



ttbar resonances: Sensitivity



CEXPECTED posterior p.d.f. for a 700 GeV resonance



Over Work in progress. Stay tuned for incoming results.

What else ?

- **We know that:**
 - Top is produced in ttbar pairs (and possibly singly too)
 - The top decays mostly to b
 - The top decays mostly to W+
 - **The nature of the tWb vertex is what's expected.**

Solution Is anything beyond SM in our top sample?

SM Kinematic Test

- **C** Run 1 saw an excess of large ME_T and lepton P_T
 - PRL 77 3506 (1996) proposed that squarks around 300 GeV show better agreement to data
- **Run 2** : Work in the **Dilepton** sample
- Choose *a priori* a set of variables with potential sensitivity to new physics
 - **The Section P** T
 - Angle(ME_T, Leading Lepton) Topness" (based on kinematical fit)
- Perform Kolmogorov-Smirnov consistency test between data and MC

Select the subset of events with the most non-SM features

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SM Kinematic Test

A (leading lepton, met) CDF II preliminary f = 1f

Leading lepton p_T

"topness" = ttbar decay goodness-of-fit

 \bigcirc Overall agreement of 1.0-4.5% mainly due to an excess at low lepton P_T

Conclusions

- CDF is seriously focused on exhaustive measurements of top properties
- Many more analyses ongoing
 - ⇒ FCNC t→Zc
 - Top Spin correlations
 - **○** Search for t' \rightarrow Wq
 - **Top charge measurements**
 - and more...
- Exciting times :
 - Analyses are very mature
 - Much more data on tape

Uncertainties are beginning to shrink

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