# **Top Quark Physics at the Tevatron**

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### The Tevatron pp Collider at Fermilab



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 needed as isospin partner of bottom quark

discovered in 1995 by CDF and DØ:

m<sub>top</sub> ~ gold nucleus



 large coupling to Higgs boson ~ 1: important role in electroweak symmetry breaking?

short lifetime: τ ~ 5 · 10<sup>-25</sup>s ≪ Λ<sup>-1</sup><sub>QCD</sub>:
 decays before fragmenting
 → observe "naked" quark

### Is the top quark the particle as predicted by the SM?

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## **Top Quark Pair Production**





# **Top Quark Pair Signatures**



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# tt production density matrix



### **Top quark properties**

- systematic analysis of the top quark pair production mechanism
- high precision measurements
- high sensitivity to new physics
- new and complementary to the LHC

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## tt production density matrix

 $|M|^2 \propto A + \mathbf{B}^+ \cdot \mathbf{s}_1 + \mathbf{B}^- \cdot \mathbf{s}_2 + C_{ij} s_{1i} s_{2j}$  $q(p_1) + \bar{q}(p_2) \to t(k_1, s_1) + \bar{t}(k_2, s_2)$ Bernreuther, Heisler, Si, JHEP 1512, 026 (2015)





### • spin information is contained in decay products

# tt production density matrix



(e.g. p<sup>t</sup><sub>T</sub> distribution etc.)

- test of QCD predictions
- search for new physics

## Lepton+Jets Channel



scalar sum of transverse momenta of jets and lepton



## Multivariate analysis



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## **Dilepton Channel**



## tt cross section summary



### systematic uncertainties:

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- b-tagging
- luminosity

# Extraction of top pole mass



### quantum field theoretically well defined mass parameter!



→ in agreement with world average of MC mass of 173.34±0.76 GeV

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$$m_t = 169.5^{+3.3}_{-3.4} \,(\text{tot.}) \,\text{GeV} \pm 1.9\%$$

# Searches for new physics



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# tt production density matrix



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## Longitudinal and transverse polarisation



### Forward-backward tt asymmetry







complementary to LHC





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## Asymmetry and polarisation



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# tt FB asymmetry



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# Summary: tt FB asymmetry



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spin correlation



# Spin correlation



### Tevatron

- dominated by  $q\bar{q}$  annihilation
- tt pairs close to the threshold

- dominated by gg fusion
- tt pairs far off the threshold

### complementary between Tevatron and LHC

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## New physics impact on spin correlations

- important test of SM and sensitive search for physics beyond
- analyse the whole chain of top pair production and top decay



### → SM spin correlation

### $\rightarrow$ no spin correlation

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## **Measurement of Spin Correlation Strength**



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# Conclusions

### • Tevatron had very successful top quark analysis program

- observation
- development of analysis techniques
- high precision measurements
- searches for new physics
- legacy results on the full dataset complement LHC
  - different centre-of-mass energy
  - different initial state pp
- Presented a systematic analysis of top quark properties in pair production
- → top quark as predicted by SM





→ LHC offers new era of high precision and new phenomena discoveries

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# Backup

## Dilepton top mass at the Tevatron



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### Top mass at the LHC



## What mass do we measure?

$$\mathcal{L} = \dots - \overline{\psi} M \psi \left( 1 + \frac{H}{\nu} \right) \dots$$
• LO QCD: free parameter
$$\mathbf{m}_{top}$$

• NLO QCD: dependent on the renormalisation scale M

"Bare parameters of QCD: gs, mu, md, ms, mc, mc, mc Renormalised parameters of QCD: gs (M), mu (M), md (M), mg (M), mg (M), mg (M) (M, (M)

### the concept of quark mass is convention-dependent!

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## What mass do we need?



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## Search for W' production



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# FB asymmetry of bb production

$$A_{\rm FB} = \frac{N(\Delta y_b > 0) - N(\Delta y_b < 0)}{N(\Delta y_b > 0) + N(\Delta y_b < 0)}$$

$$\frac{q}{\overline{q}}$$

#### arXiv:1601.06526



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## **Charge Asymmetry**



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### Forward Backward and Leptonic Asymmetry

- measured asymmetries in l+jets (arXiv:1107.4995) and dilepton (arXiv:1207.0364) channel
   Forward-Backward Top Asymmetry, %
  - unfolded A<sub>FB</sub> = 19.6% in l+jets agrees within 2.4 SD with MC@NLO prediction of 5.0%
  - combined lepton based asymmetry from 1+jets and dilepton:  $A_{\mu\nu}^{-1} = (11.8 \pm 3.2) \%$



agrees within 2.2 SD with prediction of 4.7%

- however:
  - all results dominated by statistical uncertainty
  - ongoing work for improved predictions
- many models predict very different values for  $A_{FB}$  and  $A_{FB}^{-1}$ 
  - → new results with full data set (~9 fb<sup>-1</sup>) in l+jets and dilepton in preparation



# tt production density matrix

 $q(p_1) + \bar{q}(p_2) \rightarrow t(k_1, s_1) + \bar{t}(k_2, s_2)$ determines cross section and distributions independent of top spin (e.g.  $p^{t}$  distribution etc.)  $|M|^2 \propto A + \mathbf{B}^+ \cdot \mathbf{s}_1 + \mathbf{B}^- \cdot \mathbf{s}_2 + C_{ij} s_{1i} s_{2j}$  $b_3^{\pm} \neq 0$ : only in NLO QCD, "T"-odd  $b_1^{\pm}$ ,  $b_2^{\pm} \neq 0$ : P-violation (absorptive parts) (=0 in LO QCD) ATLAS-CONF-2013-101 arXiv:1307.6511 [hep-ex] 🗡 c1, c2, c3, c4: C-even, P-even in LO QCD  $= b_1^{\pm} \hat{p}_i + b_2^{\pm} \hat{k}_i + b_3^{\pm} n_i$  $\tilde{B}_i^{\pm}$ c<sub>5</sub>, c<sub>6</sub>: P-odd, CP-odd  $\tilde{C}_{ij}$  $= c_1 \delta_{ij} + c_2 \hat{p}_i \hat{p}_j + c_3 \hat{k}_i \hat{k}_j$ ≠0 only in BSM  $+c_4(\hat{p}_i\hat{k}_j+\hat{k}_i\hat{p}_j)+c_5\epsilon^{ijl}\hat{p}_l+c_6\epsilon^{ijl}\hat{k}_l$ 

### → systematic analysis of top quark properties



# **Top Pair Spin Correlation**



• measure tt spin correlation: consistent with SM prediction for a spin 1/2 particle?

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## **Polarisation power**



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# Spin correlation strength

### **Tevatron**



- interpolate between beam and helicity basis
- optimised "off-diagonal" basis

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

NLO QCD: A= 0.78

Bernreuther, Brandenburg, Si, Uwer, Nucl. Phys. B690, 81 (2004)



- there is no "optimal" basis for gg fusion on an event-by-event basis
- maximal basis

NLO QCD: A = 0.44

Uwer, Phys. Lett., B609:271-276, 2005

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## **Matrix Element Method**



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### Matrix Element

G. Mahlon and S. J. Parke, Phys. Rev. D 53, 4886 (1995) Phys. Lett. B 411, 173(1997)

### H=uncorrelated

$$\sum |\mathcal{M}|^2 = \frac{g_s^4}{9} F\overline{F} \left(2 - \beta^2 s_{qt}^2\right)/2$$

$$\beta: \text{ velocity of top in t} \overline{t}$$

$$s_{qt}: \text{ sine between initial}$$

kinematics of top and anti-top decay

rest frame al quark and top



### **Matrix Element**

β: velocity of top in tt rest frame s<sub>qt</sub>: sine between initial quark and top c<sub>qt</sub>: cosine between initial quark and top G. Mahlon and S. J. Parke, Phys. Rev. D 53, 4886 (1995) Phys. Lett. B 411, 173(1997)

$$\sum |\mathcal{M}|^2 = \frac{g_s^4}{9} F\overline{F} \left[ \left( 2 - \beta^2 s_{qt}^2 \right) - \Delta \right]$$
  
H=correlated matics of top

kinematics of top and anti-top decay

$$\Delta = \frac{(1 - c_{\overline{\ell}q}c_{\ell\overline{q}}) - \beta(c_{\ell\overline{t}} + c_{\overline{\ell}t}) + \beta c_{qt}(c_{\overline{\ell}q} + c_{\ell\overline{q}}) + \frac{1}{2}\beta^2 s_{qt}^2(1 - c_{\overline{\ell}\ell})}{\gamma^2(1 - \beta c_{\overline{\ell}t})(1 - \beta c_{\ell\overline{t}})}$$



### First Evidence for Spin Correlation

MEs: per event  $\leftrightarrow$  spin correlation: ensemble of events



## **Exclusion Limits**



![](_page_46_Picture_7.jpeg)

# **Single Top Quark Production**

direct measurement of |V<sub>th</sub>|

![](_page_47_Figure_2.jpeg)

⇒ important to measure all channels separately to search for new physics BUT: do not separate Wt in higher orders – an unphysical question!

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## **Recontructed Top Mass**

![](_page_48_Figure_1.jpeg)

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## **Multivariate Analyses**

![](_page_49_Figure_1.jpeg)

s+t channel observed by CDF and D0 in 2009 important step to establish MVA techniques

![](_page_49_Picture_3.jpeg)

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## s-channel Production

Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 231803 (2014)

### • Tevatron: combine individual discriminants including all correlations

![](_page_50_Figure_3.jpeg)

## Single channel cross sections

![](_page_51_Figure_1.jpeg)

### → all production modes observed!

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## **Top Quark Pole Mass**

![](_page_52_Figure_1.jpeg)

## Spin correlations for "Stealth" Stop

![](_page_53_Figure_1.jpeg)

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## Stop searches

![](_page_54_Figure_1.jpeg)

### using a "standard candle" for complementary exclusion

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PRL 74, 2632 (1995)

PRL 74, 2626 (1995)

![](_page_55_Figure_1.jpeg)

1995, CDF and DØ experiments, Fermilab

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### March 2nd, 1995:

### First announcement of Top Discovery in public seminar at Fermilab

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#### 1995, CDF and DØ experiments, Fermilab

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#### 1995, CDF and DØ experiments, Fermilab

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