



ttbar cross section at the LHC

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ATLAS and CMS results



Introduction



- Precision measurements of ttbar cross section.
 - Test theoretical predictions and modelling,
 - important for the top as a background for searches,
 - Search for new physics as deviations from Model (SM) predictions.



• Outlook:

- "legacy" run I inclusive cross sections and search for new physics (SUSY),
- Differential cross section at 8 TeV,
- Inclusive and differential cross sections at 13 TeV.



Inclusive cross section at 7 and 8 TeV (ATLAS)



- Use $e\mu$ channel: most precise. **arXiv:1406.5375**
- Event selection : 1 isolated e and 1 isolated μ with opposite charge.
- 1 and 2 selected jet bins (including b-tagging (medium WP)) used to measure the cross section.

$$N_1 = L\sigma_{t\bar{t}} \epsilon_{e\mu} 2\epsilon_b (1 - C_b \epsilon_b) + N_1^{\text{bkg}}$$
$$N_2 = L\sigma_{t\bar{t}} \epsilon_{e\mu} C_b \epsilon_b^2 + N_2^{\text{bkg}}$$



•	In situ determination of the jet	selection
	efficiency.	

- Background estimations :
 - Z+jets from same flavour channels,
 - Fake lepton from same charge events.

 $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 182.9 \pm 3.1 \pm 4.2 \pm 3.6 \pm 3.3 \,\mathrm{pb} \;(\sqrt{s} = 7 \,\mathrm{TeV}) \text{ and}$ $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 242.4 \pm 1.7 \pm 5.5 \pm 7.5 \pm 4.2 \,\mathrm{pb} \;(\sqrt{s} = 8 \,\mathrm{TeV}),$

Uncertainty	$\Delta \sigma_{t\bar{t}}/\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ (%)			
\sqrt{s}	$7\mathrm{TeV}$	$8\mathrm{TeV}$		
Data statistics	1.69	0.71		
$t\bar{t}$ modelling and QCD scale	1.46	1.26		
Parton distribution functions	1.04	1.13		
Background modelling	0.83	0.83		
Lepton efficiencies	0.87	0.88		
Jets and <i>b</i> -tagging	0.58	0.82		
Misidentified leptons	0.41	0.34		
Analysis systematics $(\sigma_{t\bar{t}})$	2.27	2.26		
Integrated luminosity	1.98	3.10		
LHC beam energy	1.79	1.72		
Total uncertainty	3.89	4.27		



Search for SUSY stop pair production



• Search for stop pair production, with stop decaying into a top quark and a neutralino.

 Direct searches insensitive for m(stop)-mx≈m(top) => kinematics very similar to ttbar events.

• Search for a deviation from SM predictions in the precise measurement of the ttbar cross section (and spin correlation)





Limits on stop pair production



arXiv:1406.5375

 Determination of exclusion limits on stop pair production from precise ttbar cross section.

• For neutralino mass of 1 GeV.

• Exclusion at 95% CL up to 177 GeV.





Event selection and cut&count analysis (xc)



arXiv:1603.0230

- Most precise channel :eµ.
- Event selection : e-µ trigger, 2 isolated leptons (electron+muon), at least 1-2 jets, with at least 1 b-tag (medium WP).



- Data-driven backgrounds:
 - Z+jets estimated from an in-peak control region in same-flavour events,
 - Fake-lepton backgrounds (ttbar semi-leptonic, W+jets) using same sign events.
- Main systematics from JES, lept. sel., b-tagging, signal modelling (top pT, scale)

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 165.9 \pm 2.5 \,(\text{stat}) \pm 6.2 \,(\text{syst}) \pm 3.6 \,(\text{lumi}) \,\text{pb}, \text{ at } \sqrt{s} = 7 \,\text{TeV}$$

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 241.1 \pm 1.6 \,(\text{stat}) \pm 10.0 \,(\text{syst}) \pm 6.3 \,(\text{lumi}) \,\text{pb}, \quad \text{at } \sqrt{s} = 8 \,\text{TeV}.$$



CMS bin likelihood fit



arXiv:1603.0230



 $= 244.9 \pm 1.4 \,(\text{stat})^{+6.3}_{-5.5} \,(\text{syst}) \pm 6.4 \,(\text{lumi}) \,\text{pb}, \text{ at } \sqrt{s} = 8 \,\text{TeV},$ $\sigma_{\mathrm{t}\overline{\mathrm{t}}}$

- Main analysis : combine a likelihood fit (constrain of the systematics using nuisance parameters) with the ATLAS approach.
- Fit of jet p_T in various jet and btag jet mult. bins.
- Reduce systematics on b-tagging, JES and scale (vis. phase space).
- Dominant systematics : lept sel., trigger, JES, ttbar mod.



Limits on stop pair production



arXiv:1603.0230

• Compare the measured cross-section (cut&count) with the SM predictions, and SM+stop predictions.



- For neutralino mass of 1 GeV, exclusion up to 189 GeV,
- For neutralino mass of 12.5 GeV, exclusion in the range 185-189 GeV.



Inclusive cross section at 13 TeV (CMS)



arXiv:1510.05302

- Inclusive cross section measurement in the $e\mu$ channel.
- Very similar approach as for the cut&count at 8 TeV. Main difference : no b-tagging applied.
- $\sigma = 746 \pm 58(stat.) \pm 53(syst.) \pm 36(lumi.)pb$

Source	$\Delta \sigma_{ m t\bar t}$ (pb)	$\Delta \sigma_{t\bar{t}} / \sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ (%)
Trigger efficiencies	33	4.4
Lepton efficiencies	25	3.4
Lepton energy scale	<1	≤ 0.1
Jet energy scale	11	1.5
Jet energy resolution	<1	≤ 0.1
Pileup	5.2	0.7
QCD scales	1.4	0.2
NLO generator of t t signal	14	1.9
Modeling of tt signal	13	1.8
PDF	18	2.4
Single top tW background	13	1.8
VV background	3.5	0.5
Drell-Yan background	4.1	0.5
Nonprompt leptons background	7.6	1.0
Total systematic	F2	7 0
(w/o luminosity)		7.2
Integrated luminosity	36	4.8
Statistical uncertainty	58	7.8
Total	87	12





Inclusive cross section at 13 TeV (ATLAS)



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• Similar to the 8TeV analysis strategy.

Uncertainty (inclusive $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$)	$\Delta \epsilon_{e\mu} / \epsilon_{e\mu}$ (%)	$\Delta C_b/C_b$ (%)	$\Delta \sigma_{t\bar{t}} / \sigma_{t\bar{t}} (\%)$
Data statistics			0.9
$t\bar{t}$ NLO modelling	0.7	-0.1	0.8
<i>tt</i> hadronisation	-2.4	0.4	2.8
Initial/final state radiation	-0.3	0.1	0.4
$t\bar{t}$ heavy-flavour production	-	0.4	0.4
Parton distribution functions	0.5	-	0.5
Single-top modelling	-	-	0.3
Single-top/tt interference	-	-	0.6
Single-top Wt cross-section	-	-	0.5
Diboson modelling	-	-	0.1
Diboson cross-sections	-	-	0.0
Z+jets extrapolation	-	-	0.2
Electron energy scale/resolution	0.2	0.0	0.2
Electron identification	0.3	0.0	0.3
Electron isolation	0.4	-	0.4
Muon momentum scale/resolution	-0.0	0.0	0.0
Muon identification	0.4	0.0	0.4
Muon isolation	0.2	-	0.3
Lepton trigger	0.1	0.0	0.2
Jet energy scale	0.3	0.1	0.3
Jet energy resolution	-0.1	0.0	0.2
<i>b</i> -tagging	-	0.1	0.3
Misidentified leptons	-	-	0.6
Analysis systematics	2.7	0.6	3.3
Integrated luminosity	-	-	5.5
LHC beam energy	-	-	1.5
Total uncertainty	2.7	0.6	6.7
Uncertainty (fiducial $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\rm fid}$)	$\Delta \epsilon_{e\mu}/\epsilon_{e\mu}$ (%)	$\Delta C_b/C_b$ (%)	$\Delta \sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\mathrm{fid}}/\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\mathrm{fid}}$ (%)
$t\bar{t}$ NLO modelling	0.5	-0.1	0.6
$t\bar{t}$ hadronisation	-1.6	0.4	1.9
Parton distribution functions	0.1	-	0.1
Other uncertainties (as above)	0.8	0.4	1.5
Analysis systematics ($\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\rm fid}$)	1.8	0.6	2.5
Total uncertainty $(\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{fid}})$	1.8	0.6	6.3

 $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 803 \pm 7 \text{ (stat)} \pm 27 \text{ (syst)} \pm 45 \text{ (lumi)} \pm 12 \text{ (beam) pb},$





ttbar LHC cross sections





Differential cross section at 8 TeV (ATLAS)



arXiv:1511.04716

- Differential cross section in the semileptonic channel.
- DD for W+jets and multijet backgrounds.

Cut	Event selection
Single lepton	Electrons (isolated): $p_{\rm T} > 60$ (24) GeV
trigger	Muons (isolated): $p_{\rm T} > 36$ (24) GeV
Primary vertex	\geq 5 tracks with $p_{\rm T} > 0.4 {\rm GeV}$
Exactly one	Muons: $p_{\rm T} > 25 {\rm GeV}, \eta < 2.5$
isolated lepton	Electrons: $p_{\rm T} > 25 {\rm GeV}$
	$ \eta < 2.47$, excluding $1.37 < \eta < 1.52$
Jets	\geq 4 jets $p_{\rm T}$ > 25 GeV, $ \eta $ < 2.5
	$\geq 2 b$ -tagged jets at $\epsilon_b = 70\%$

 (pseudo) top reconstructed using constrains on W mass. Unfolded at parton level.





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MC/Data

eµ-channel

⊢ Data

Powhea+Pvthia6

aMCAtNLO+Herwig++

- - Powheg+Herwig++

- Powheg+Pythia8

Stat. Stat.+Syst

Differential cross section at 13 TeV (ATLAS)

13 TeV, 3.2 fb



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Differential cross section at 13 TeV, as a function of jet multiplicity. •

ATLAS Preliminary

13 TeV. 3.2 fb

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Number of additional jets

add. jet p_ ≥ 25 GeV

- Important test of the modelling of extra jets.
- Use dilepton events. Similar selection+2 b-tagged jets (medium WP). No top reconstruction needed, unfolding at particle level.

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MC/Data

eµ-channel

– Data

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Powheg+Pythia6

aMCAtNLO+Herwig++

- - Powhea+Herwia++

--- Powheq+Pythia8

Stat. Stat.+Syst





Differential cross section at 13 TeV (CMS)



CMS PAS TOP-16-008

- Differential cross section as a function of various observables.
- Semi-leptonic channels : single μ/e triggers, one isolated μ/e, ≥4 jets and ≥ 2 b-tagged jets.
- Top reconstruction and unfolding to particle and parton levels.







Conclusion



- ttbar cross section measurements:
 - benchmark analysis for top precision measurements,
 - can even be used for calibrating the detectors (see b-tagging talks),
 - allows for deep comparisons with theoretical predictions ! (and fiducial)
- But also indirect measurements of :
 - Alpha_S,
 - Top quark pole mass, etc...
- And searches !
 - stop pair production,
 - chromo-Magnetic and Electric dipole moments,
 - anomalous couplings, etc...
- With more work on systematics, we should be able to do even more precise measurements (~4% for the moment).
- High luminosity will help ! (if LHC works well)







Backups



Differential cross section at 8 TeV







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ATLAS

\sqrt{s} Uncertainty (inclusive $\sigma_{tar{t}}$)	$\Delta \epsilon_{e\mu}/\epsilon_{e\mu} \ (\%)$	$7 { m TeV} \ \Delta C_b/C_b \ (\%)$	$\Delta \sigma_{t \bar{t}} / \sigma_{t \bar{t}}$ (%)	$\Delta \epsilon_{e\mu} / \epsilon_{e\mu}$ (%)	$\begin{array}{c} 8 \text{TeV} \\ \Delta C_b / C_b \\ (\%) \end{array}$	$\Delta \sigma_{t \bar{t}} / \sigma_{t \bar{t}}$ (%)
Data statistics			1.69			0.71
$t\bar{t}$ modelling	0.71	-0.72	1.43	0.65	-0.57	1.22
Parton distribution functions	1.03	-	1.04	1.12	-	1.13
QCD scale choice	0.30	-	0.30	0.30	-	0.30
Single-top modelling	-	-	0.34	-	-	0.42
Single-top/ $t\bar{t}$ interference	-	-	0.22	-	-	0.15
Single-top Wt cross-section	-	-	0.72	-	-	0.69
Diboson modelling	-	-	0.12	-	-	0.13
Diboson cross-sections	-	-	0.03	-	-	0.03
Z+jets extrapolation	-	-	0.05	-	-	0.02
Electron energy scale/resolution	0.19	-0.00	0.22	0.46	0.02	0.51
Electron identification	0.12	0.00	0.13	0.36	0.00	0.41
Muon momentum scale/resolution	0.12	0.00	0.14	0.01	0.01	0.02
Muon identification	0.27	0.00	0.30	0.38	0.00	0.42
Lepton isolation	0.74	-	0.74	0.37	-	0.37
Lepton trigger	0.15	-0.02	0.19	0.15	0.00	0.16
Jet energy scale	0.22	0.06	0.27	0.47	0.07	0.52
Jet energy resolution	-0.16	0.08	0.30	-0.36	0.05	0.51
Jet reconstruction/vertex fraction	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.01	0.01	0.03
b-tagging	-	0.18	0.41	-	0.14	0.40
Misidentified leptons	-	-	0.41	-	-	0.34
Analysis systematics $(\sigma_{t\bar{t}})$	1.56	0.75	2.27	1.66	0.59	2.26
Integrated luminosity	-	-	1.98	-	-	3.10
LHC beam energy	-	-	1.79	-	-	1.72
Total uncertainty $(\sigma_{t\bar{t}})$	1.56	0.75	3.89	1.66	0.59	4.27
Uncertainty (fiducial $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\mathrm{fid}}$)	$\Delta \epsilon_{e\mu} / \epsilon_{e\mu} \ (\%)$	$\Delta C_b/C_b$ (%)	$\Delta\sigma_{tar{t}}^{\mathrm{fid}}/\sigma_{tar{t}}^{\mathrm{fid}}\ (\%)$	$\Delta \epsilon_{e\mu} / \epsilon_{e\mu} \ (\%)$	$\Delta C_b/C_b$ (%)	$\Delta \sigma_{t \bar{t}} / \sigma_{t \bar{t}} \ (\%)$
$t\bar{t}$ modelling	0.84	-0.72	1.56	0.74	-0.57	1.31
Parton distribution functions	0.35	-	0.38	0.23	-	0.28
QCD scale choice	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	-	0.00
Other uncertainties (as above)	0.88	0.21	1.40	1.00	0.17	1.50
Analysis systematics $(\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\rm fid})$	1.27	0.75	2.13	1.27	0.59	2.01
Total uncertainty $(\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\mathrm{fid}})$	1.27	0.75	3.81	1.27	0.59	4.14

CMS

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Source	7 TeV	8 TeV		
Trigger	1.3	1.2		
Lepton ID/isolation	1.5	1.5		
Lepton energy scale	0.2	0.1		
Jet energy scale	0.8	0.9		
Jet energy resolution	0.1	0.1		
tW/ Ī W	1.0	0.6		
DY	1.4	1.3		
tī bkg.	0.1	0.1		
tīV	0.1	0.1		
Diboson	0.2	0.6		
W+jets/QCD	0.1	0.2		
b-tag	0.5	0.5		
Mistag	0.2	0.1		
Pileup	0.3	0.3		
$\mu_{\rm R}$, $\mu_{\rm F}$ scales	0.3	0.6		
ME/PS matching	0.1	0.1		
MADGRAPH vs POWHEG	0.4	0.5		
Hadronisation (JES)	0.7	0.7		
Top quark p_{T} modelling	0.3	0.4		
Colour reconnection	0.1	0.2		
Underlying event	0.1	0.1		
PDF	0.2	0.3		
Integrated luminosity	2.2	2.6		
Statistical	1.2	0.6		
Source	Uncer	tainty [%]		
bouice	7 TeV	8 TeV		
Total (visible)	$^{+3.6}_{-3.4}$	$^{+3.7}_{-3.4}$		
Q^2 scale (extrapol.)	$^{+0.1}_{-0.4}$	$+0.2 \\ -0.1$		
ME/PS matching (extrapol.)	+0.1	+0.3		
Top quark $p_{\rm T}$ (extrapol.)	+0.1	+0.6		
PDF (extrapol.)	-0.3 +0.1	-0.3 + 0.1		
Total	-0.1 +3.6	-0.1 +3.7		
10(4)	-3.5			

