Missing E_T +b-jets: from single top observation to limits on Higgs at



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Photograph of the Columbian Fountain at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago

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The missing E_T+b-jets signature

Searches in MET+b-jets signature are very interesting:

- In SM, with this signature you can catch one of the most striking production modes for the Higgs boson
- Associated production of Higgs boson together with a vector boson
- Search for SM Higgs boson in the process $ZH \rightarrow vv bb$



• <u>Several SUSY processes (squarks/gluinos) would show up in the MET+(b)jets</u> <u>signature</u>

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The missing E_T+b-jets signature

That would be the end of the story for an *ideal detector*. We are going to cover here much more though. Infact, due to limitations in the lepton coverage, this signature is actually **way more interesting** than that

• Whenever you miss the lepton, you accept in the same sample another key production mode for the Higgs boson, WH \rightarrow $l\nu$ bb



• Search for $ZH \rightarrow vv$ bb and $WH \rightarrow Iv$ bb in the MET+b-jets signature

Extra goodies!

- Are there more places where MET+b-jets signature is very interesting?
- acceptance to physics giving leptons, neutrinos and b-jets.
 In particular, there is such a process which gave really hard times at CDF:

Single top production!

I am going to present today:

- first single top search in the MET+b-jets signature
- Tevatron most stringent limits to Higgs production in MET+b-jets signature

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The Tevatron collider

- Fermilab's Tevatron Run II pp̄ collider at 1.96 TeV, running since 2001. Currently performing very well:
 - 3.7.10³² cm⁻² s⁻¹ new record in instantaneous luminosity!
 - Almost 2fb⁻¹ collected per year
 - Two multi-purpose, well-understood detectors CDF and D0





The rarest SM processes

The I+E_T+b-jets search challenges





The tools of the trade

The CDF II detector



 Muon chamber outside calorimeter coverage |η|<1.5

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The jets signature



Generic jets

- Quark/gluons hadronize and produce particle jets
- CDF uses cone based jet reconstruction HAD algorithm. Loops over <u>calorimetric</u> <u>towers</u>
- Jets are easy to find
 - Jets are macroscopic objects: reconstruction efficiency is nearly 100%
 - CDF calorimeter covers almost all solid angle (|η|<2.8 here)
- But carry a lot of complications
 - Jet energy resolution driven by had cal resolution 80%/√E_T source of missing E_T
 - Non-instrumented regions in calorimetry lead to underestimation of jet $E_T \rightarrow source of missing E_T$



Jets at CDF



- Tracks resolution is far better than calorimeter resolution for particles with P_T<50 GeV
- New jet reconstruction algorithm substitute track P_T with cal E_T whenever possible to improve jet energy resolution (10% improvement)

Jet energy scale uncertainty

- Systematic difference from data and Monte Carlo, convolution of many effects
 - 5% to 3% of the jet energy



b-jets

Displaced tracks

Decay lifetime

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Primary vertex

Prompt tracks

- SecVTX: b-quark id'ed w long lifetime of the B mesons they form: identification through search of a secondary vertex within a jet:
 - b-tag eff: ~ 40%
 - fake rate ~ 0.5%

- JetProb: Jet probability algorithm: determines prob that the tracks within a jet are consistent with coming from the primary vertex
 - b-tag eff ~50%
 - fake rate~5%



0.6

0.5

0.4

0.3

0.2

0.1

b-tag efficiency

Jet

Secondary vertex

SecVtx Tag Efficiency for Top b-Jets

Top MC scaled to match data

Only b-jets with E_T>15 GeV

Tight SecVtx

Loose SecVtx

1.8 2 jetη

The missing E_T signature



Missing E_T, and more

Neutrinos:

- measured using the missing transverse energy (MET) from calorimeter.
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Example: events selected with large MET, 2 high P_T b-jets





Charged leptons

Electrons:



Taus:

No <u>explicit</u> τ ID here.
 Accept τ → leptons through μ,e
 and τ → hadrons through jets

Strict requirement to ID a lepton. Moral: often you don't identify them! Missing leptons can appear as Jets(e, τ) or MET(e, μ , τ)!

Multivariate techniques

Small S and large B with large uncertainties σ_{B} : need to maximize statistical power CDF uses different classes of multivariate techniques:

- Physics oriented exploit knowledge of the matrix element (ME) of the process
- Likelihood ratio(LR) Probability density estimators for each variable combined in 1
- Machine-learning techniques such as and neural networks (NN)
 - Better than LR because exploit correlations among different observables.
 - ME not used here because too little information on signal final state and hard to trust QCD Monte Carlo



The MET+jets trigger

- Trigger on events with large MET, and 2 jets
- Jet E_T and MET resolution low at trigger level \rightarrow huge rates at level 1 and 2



- After trigger cuts at level 3, the trigger cross section is O(10nb)
 - 4 or 5 orders of magnitude larger than our signal!
- Require MET>50GeV to ensure trigger efficiency on MC
- Large separation between jets, to avoid jet merging
 - Both requirements can be loosened after trigger upgrade

QCD background modeling

MC modeling suffers from

- poorly known cross-sections
- need generation of huge samples (>billion events)



MET Sample is QCD dominated \rightarrow use data itself as a Signal Box CR1 NO leptons NO leptons model, but have to account for b-tagging bias 70 GeV TRM CR2 at least one lepton NO leptons Derive per-jet tag probability 50 GeV 0.4 $\Delta\phi(MET, jet2)$

Data-driven modeling contains W+light flavor jet production We use Monte Carlo for all other processes

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QCD background modeling



Basic MET+b-jets selection

- Veto presence of identified leptons to be orthogonal to lepton+MET+jets search
- Large MET>50GeV and 2 or 3 jets, where 3rd jet can come from
 - Initial/final state radiation
 - e or τ leptons reconstructed as jets
- Require MET misaligned with jets: rejects 1 order of magnitude of backgrounds, with loss of only about few % of signal





 Require b-tagging to reject QCD production of light flavor jets (improves S/B by 1-2 orders of magnitude)

A typical candidate event



It looks a lot like QCD indeed...clearly a conservative approach won't work. But how can you pretend to find the Higgs here, if you don't measure something first?

The single top search in MET + b-jets

Why measure $\sigma(single top)$?

- Allows measurement of CKM matrix element |V_{tb}|:
 - Is this Matrix 3x3 ?
 Is there a 4th generation ?
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Single top decays

Hard times to get the single top evidence and observation in leptonic mode.

Were we unlucky?

Or something else was hiding?



- **Ele/mu+neutrino+b-jets** The good
 - "decent" branching ratio
 - S/B ratio not awful
 - -4.8 sigma excess with 3.2 fb-1
- All jets

- The bad
- large BR, but:
 huge QCD physics backgrounds.
- No efficient trigger at CDF
- Never attempted
- MET+b-jets signature The ugly – Recover lost leptons, but
 - large QCD instrumental background (see next slide)
 - no chance to identify top
 - Newly attempted!

Know your enemy



QCD-suppressing event selection

Choose a cut to isolate the signal

 Compromise between maximizing background rejection and keeping high signal acceptance (remember, it's a blind analysis)



SM backgrounds producing $\nu^\prime s$



Single top acceptance table

only!

Process	$\ell + \not\!\!E_T + \text{jets}$	$E_T + jets$
<i>s</i> -channel signal	77.3 ± 11.2	$29.6~\pm~3.7$
t-channel signal	$113.8~\pm~16.9$	$34.5~\pm~6.1$
W + HF	$1551.0\ \pm\ 472.3$	$304.4~\pm~115.5$
$tar{t}$	$686.1~\pm~99.4$	$184.5~\pm~30.2$
$Z{+}\mathrm{jets}$	$52.1~\pm~8.0$	$128.6~\pm~53.7$
Diboson	$118.4~\pm~12.2$	$42.1~\pm~6.7$
QCD+mistags	$777.9~\pm~103.7$	$679.4~\pm~27.9$
Total prediction	$3376.5~\pm~504.9$	$1404~\pm~172$
Observed	3315	1411

- +50% acceptance per fb⁻¹ mostly coming from taus
- With same S/B ratio as in I+MET+jet

Table from Phys. Rev. Lett. 103, 092002 (2009)

MET + b-jets systematics

Uncertainty on backgrounds 3 times larger than signal!

Systematic source		Rate	Shape	Comment	
	Top quark pair cross section	$\pm 12\%$	-		
	W/Z + h.f. cross section	$\pm 40\%$] -		
	Diboson cross section	$\pm 11\%$	-		
Luminosity		6%	-	Not for QCD multijet	
	Trigger efficiency	< 2.6%	Х		
	B tagging scale factors	4.3% to $12%$	-		
	Lepton Veto	2%	-		
	ISR/FSR	$-4.5\% \ldots + 16\%$	Х	Only for top quark processes	
	JES	$-14\% \ldots + 23\%$	Х		
	PDF	$\pm 1\% \ldots \pm 2\%$	Х	Shape for signal only	
	QCD multijet model	$4.5\% \dots 13\%$	Х		
	Background scaling	2%	-		
	Signal cross section	$\pm \ 12\%$	-	Only for a value and V. computation	
	Top quark mass dependence	$-16\% \ldots +7.5\%$	Х	Only for p -value and V_{tb} computat	

Let's see whether we have some residual handles



Missing ET plus jets NN (MJ)

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 - 3σ excess, statistics only
 - down to 2σ once including systematics
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 -Measure sigma_t=4.9+2.6-2.2
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-arxiv1001.4577, submitted to PRD



CDF results and combination



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Top in 1995



Top quark discovered in pair production at CDF



For many years, the only place where to study the top quark

Top in 2010



Why so long?

- half the cross section as ttbar production
- about 100 times worse
 S/B ratio



Now exploring a new window to top quark physics

A 5.5fb⁻¹ result lepton + MET + jets MET + jets lepton + MET + jets 500 Events Events 200 **Event Yield** DØ 2.3 fb⁻¹ Data 10⁴ tb+tab 400 W+iets 150 10³ Multiiets 300 100 10² 200 10 50 0.6 0.7 0.8 100 0<u></u>∟ 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 0 0.2 0.4 0.6 08 -0.5 Ω 0.5 MJ Discriminant **Combination Output** Super Discriminant **Single Top Quark Cross Section** August 2009

Important to have a result in a different signature (and in both experiments) to increase confidence

Crucial to combine them to increase precision



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20% better than single experiment determination

Direct [V_{tb}] Measurement

- Using cross section result measure $|V_{tb}|$
- Assume Standard Model (V-A) coupling and |V_{tb}| >> |V_{ts}|, |V_{td}| (from BR(t →Wb) measurements)





Combination increases precision from 13% to 9% on V_{tb} Experimental uncertainty comparable to theoretical uncertainty

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s- vs t-channel

- The two observation analyses measured combined single top quark cross section, assuming SM ratio between s and t
- This ratio is modifid in several new physics scenarios
 - for example in models with additional quark generations,
 - new heavy bosons
 - flavor-changing neutral currents
 - anomalous top quark couplings





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The Higgs search in MET+b-jets

Now the Higgs: where to look?

Top quark mass was found in agreement with prediciton from fits to EWK parameters Now use m_{top} and more to point us to the Higgs!

Tevatron's results:

 $\label{eq:m_top} \begin{array}{l} m_{top} = 173.1 \pm 1.3 \; GeV \; (\mbox{arXiv:hep-ex/0903.2503v1}) \\ m_W = 80.399 \pm 0.025 \; GeV \\ \mbox{which in the EWK fit give the following predictions} \end{array}$

- $m_{\rm H} = 90^{+36}_{-27} \, \text{GeV}$ @ 68 % CL
- m_H < 163 GeV @ 95 % CL





LEP directly searched the existence of the Higgs boson and found: m_H > 114.4 GeV @ 95% CL

Low mass is SM favored region... ...and where the MET+b-jets signature matters!

Higgs strategy at the Tevatron



Low mass m_H < 135GeV: BR(H→bb) dominates: gg → H → bb too challenging! QCD irreducible Look at HV evts, use W/Z signatures to increase S/B

Higgs production cross section at the Tevatron:

- gg→H highest production x-sec
- W/Z+H about a order of magnitude smaller



WH/ZH decays

Dileptonic(e,mu) ZH → II bb

cleanest channel and fully reconstructed final state - BUT lowest oXBR

- Ele/mu+Jets WH → Iv bb good S/B ratio, limited lepton coverage
- All hadronic WH/ZH → qq bb challenging channel: highest BR BUT huge QCD physics backgrounds (hard to reduce)
- Missing Energy plus jets ZH → vv bb here not just a "recovery" signature (see next slide), huge QCD instrumental background



Single channels not sensitive to Higgs: exclusion can be achieved by combination of DEDICATED analysis for EACH channels from BOTH experiments!

$ZH/WH \rightarrow missing E_T + b-jets$

Same preselection same as single top search <u>i</u>n MET+b-jets. Acceptance to HV production through H → bb decay and many different vector boson decay modes



Final Higgs event selection

- Use 3.6fb⁻¹ of recorded data here
- slightly different QCD killer NN
 - maximize acceptance
 - almost 4 evts/fb-1

DIVIDE ET IMPERA

Split in high and low significance S/√B

- 40% improvement by splitting in high and low S/√B regions
- 10% improvement by including the worst S/√B region (1 b-tagged jet)



NN_{OCD}

b-tags	N Higgs evts (@115GeV)	N bck evts	S/√B
All	12.4	2930	0.23
1 SecVTX	6.7	2500	0.13
1 SecVTX +1 JetProb	2.6	260	0.16
2 SecVTX	3.1	170	0.24
Quadra	0.32		
Quala	0.52		

Multivariate discriminant

Similar challenges to single top search: but here we do reconstruct the signal resonance, so a lot more to gain!



A close look at the discriminant

Higgs magnified X 25





NN Discriminant

Analysis	ll+jets	l+MET+jet	MET+jets
S (ev/fb ⁻¹)	.7	3.8	3.5
S/B	1/50 - 1/250	1/70 - 1/400	1/50 - 1/350



S/B ratio 1/6 in most sensitive bin We expect 1.4 Higgs events here (assuming M_H=115)

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The MET+jets results

- Do a binned likelihood scan of the 3 NN discriminant distributions
 - In absence of an excess, report the 95% CL limit on the cross section
 - For simplicity, quote number as X times the SM Higgs cross section
 - With an expected limit of 4.2 the SM xsec for 3.6fb⁻¹ analyzed, this search is the most sensitive low mass Higgs search per fb⁻¹ at the Tevatron, comparable to the CDF WH to lvbb search
 - Search twice more sensitive per fb⁻¹ than the previosly published one



How it fits in the CDF combination



As mentioned earlier..

- No single analysis at low mass sensitive to Higgs
- BUT! Combination provides a <u>x2 improvement</u> with respect to to single best analysis

And in the Tevatron combination



 At 115Gev, we are 1.8 times the Standard Model cross section (average lumi used 4.5fb⁻¹)

Tevatron future at low mass

Probability of 3o Evidence



- Experiments are continuously improving analysis technique:
 - Summer 07 projection expect a improvements between 1.5 to 2.25 to existing sensitivity
 - increased indeed by a factor of >1.5 last year: equivalent of using more than double luminosity
 - More/new ideas currently being tested to increase further sensitivity

Conclusions

MET+b-jets is a very hard signature at hadron colliders.

Infact, you need to:

- contantly control and especially evolve! understanding of MET, jets, and the way you trigger data acquisition on them
- model QCD accurately, fight it relentlessly
- Now several others SM and SM-searches benefiting from the above understanding

But there is a lot of satisfaction to all this:

- MET+b-jets contributed to single top observation at CDF
- MET+b-jets golden mode to search for low mass Higgs at the Tevatron

Are multivariate techniques safe?

Look at top pair production x-sec measurements in different samples, with different techniques



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Fourth generation

• LEP set indirect limit on number of light neutrinos to be 3; $M(v_4)>45GeV$



- LEP set direct limits on 4th gen charged and neutral leptons to be M(l,v,t',b')>100GeV
- Tevatron has sensitivity to higher mass range, up to the 0.5 TeV range
- Search for `fourth generation' or `4th generation' on Spires gives >250 results, mostly phenomenology papers
 - Many possible scenarios still compatible with direct and indirect constraints!
 - Simple model, also relaxes the constraint on Higgs mass to be low mass

Fourth generation of quarks



Assumes M(b')>M(t)+M(W) Look at same-sign dilepton, MET, b-jets Scan for an excess in Njets distribution

95% Limits for b' (CDF Run II Prelim 2.7/fb)





Assume M(t')>M(t) and $M(t') - M(b')^{\overline{q}}$ < M(W) then decay t't' \rightarrow qqWW. Same as ttbar but different reconstucted mass



m(ť) > 335 GeV

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