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Many results have been produced at the LHC in the last couple of years... And more to come this year

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W-boson polarization

Measurement of angular asymmetries

and template method in

lepton + jets and dilepton channels, 0.7 fb^{-1}

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FCNC

Count & Cut method in

all-leptonic final states, 0.7 $\rm fb^{-1}$

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All hadronic 1-dimensional template

Five quark mass values were used in the generation of the templates. Fitting templates to the three-jet mass combination of selected jet-triplets.

 $m_t = 174.9 \pm 2.1 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 3.8 \text{ (syst.)} \text{ GeV}$

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The charge measurement is based on reconstruction of the top quark decay products. Use lepton + jets events with at least one b-tagged jet.

Top Quark Charge in the Standard Model:

$$t^{(2/3)} \to b^{(-1/3)} + W^{(+1)}, W^+ \to \ell^+ + \nu_\ell$$

Top-Quark with exotic charge:

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Measure the

charge of the

lepton and

b-jet!

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track charge weights

- Require a second b-tagged jet.
- Select b-jet with:

 $m(\ell, b j e t_a) < m_{cr}$ and $m(\ell, b j e t_b) > m_{cr}$

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Use semileptonic decays of B-hadrons

$$BR(b \to \mu + \nu + X) \approx 11\%$$
same charge

Look for a soft (p_T >4GeV) muon in a b-jet

Suppress other sources (like B-hadrons decay to D-hadrons): $BR(b \rightarrow c \rightarrow \mu + \nu + X) \approx 10\%$ opposite charge

 $p_T^{rel} > 800 \text{ MeV} (p_T \text{ of muon wrt jet})$

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Lepton – b-jet pairing done with a Kinematic Likelihood Fitter Using E_T^{miss} , 4 leading jets, lepton.

Use the soft-muon and the lepton charge:

$$Q_{comb}^{soft} = Q_{muon}^{soft} \cdot Q_{\ell}$$

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results

We measure Q_{comb} in both methods, and the prediction in both cases is in good agreement with SM

Set limits with standard likelihood approach comparing two hypotheses: SM and exotic quark.

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The exotic scenario is excluded at more than 5 σ .

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The helicity fractions, as predicted in the SM:

 $F_0 = 0.687 \pm 0.005$ $F_L = 0.311 \pm 0.005$ $F_R = 0.0017 \pm 0.0001$

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Lepton+ Jets

Events with one lepton, $\bar{q}'_{\mu\nu}$ at least one b-tagged jet.

Dilepton

Events with two opposite signed leptons, no b-tagging.

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Measurement of helicity fractions

Templates fitted to the observed $\cos \theta^*$ distribution. **Angular asymmetries** are measured using the $\cos \theta^*$ distribution.

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combining the e+jets and μ +jets channels.

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Lepton + jets helicity fractions:

- $F_0 = 0.57 \pm 0.07 \,(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.09 \,(\text{syst.})$
- $F_{\rm L} = 0.35 \pm 0.04 \, (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.04 \, (\text{syst.})$
- $F_{\rm R} = 0.09 \pm 0.04 \, (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.08 \, (\text{syst.})$

Dilepton helicity fractions (setting $F_R=0$):

 $ee: F_0 = 0.66 \pm 0.26 \text{ (stat. + syst.)}$ $e\mu: F_0 = 0.72 \pm 0.16 \text{ (stat. + syst.)}$ $\mu\mu: F_0 = 0.74 \pm 0.19 \text{ (stat. + syst.)}$

Combination of lepton + jets and dilepton channels

 $F_0 = 0.75 \pm 0.08 \text{ (stat.+syst.)}$ $F_L = 0.25 \pm 0.08 \text{ (stat.+syst.)}$

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setting $F_{R} = 0$ (Not enough data to fit F_{0} and F_{L} in dilepton)

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Angular Asymmetries

$$A_{\pm} = \frac{N(\cos\theta^* > z) - N(\cos\theta^* < z)}{N(\cos\theta^* > z) + N(\cos\theta^* < z)}$$

 $z = \mp (2^{2/3} - 1)$ for A_{\pm}

In SM at NNLO

 $A_{+} = 0.537 \pm 0.004$ $A_{-} = -0.841 \pm 0.006$

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Combination of lepton + jets and dilepton channels:

$$A_+ = 0.54 \pm 0.02 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.04 \text{ (syst.)}$$

 $A_- = -0.85 \pm 0.01 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (syst.)}$

Helicity Fractions

 $F_0 = 0.70 \pm 0.10 \text{ (stat + syst)}$ $F_L = 0.31 \pm 0.07 \text{ (stat + syst)}$ $F_R = -0.01 \pm 0.04 \text{ (stat + syst)}$

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Anomalous couplings

$$\mathcal{L}_{Wtb} = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}\bar{b}\gamma^{\mu}(V_{\rm L}P_L + V_{\rm R}P_R)t W_{\mu}^{-} - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}\bar{b}\frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_{\nu}}{M_W}(g_{\rm L}P_L + g_{\rm R}P_R)t W_{\mu}^{-} + \text{h.c.}$$

Constraints from angular asymmetries

$$\begin{aligned} &\operatorname{Re} V_{\mathrm{R}} \in [-0.34, 0.39] \to \frac{\operatorname{Re} (C_{\phi\phi}^{33})}{\Lambda^{2}} \in [-11.2, 12.7] \, \mathrm{TeV}^{-2} \,, \\ &\operatorname{Re} g_{\mathrm{L}} \in [-0.20, 0.16] \to \frac{\operatorname{Re} (C_{dW}^{33})}{\Lambda^{2}} \in [-2.28, 1.90] \, \mathrm{TeV}^{-2} \,, \\ &\operatorname{Re} g_{\mathrm{R}} \in [-0.19, 0.13] \to \frac{\operatorname{Re} (C_{uW}^{33})}{\Lambda^{2}} \in [-2.27, 1.57] \, \mathrm{TeV}^{-2} \,. \end{aligned}$$

Constraints from W helicity fractions

$$\frac{\text{Re}(C_{uW}^{33})}{\Lambda^2} \in [-3.45, \ 1.80] \text{ TeV}^{-2}$$

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In the Standard Model Flavor Changing Neutral Currents are forbidden at tree level, and are allowed at one-loop level with a branching ratio of the order of 10⁻¹⁴

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Flavor Changing Neutral Currents

We search for Flavor Changing Neutral Currents in t-tbar events.

With one top quark decaying through $t \rightarrow qZ$, and the other through the SM dominant mode $t \rightarrow bW$.

Only leptonic decays of the bosons (W, Z) are considered signal.

 $_{\odot}$ Select events with 3 leptons, 2 large p_T jets, and large E_{T}^{miss} .

- We should have at least two leptons with opposite sign, same flavor ('Z-candidate')
- Reconstruct the objects by minimizing:

$$\chi^{2} = \frac{\left(m_{t}^{FCNC} - m_{t}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{m_{t}}^{2}} + \frac{\left(m_{t}^{SM} - m_{t}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{m_{t}}^{2}} + \frac{\left(m_{W}^{SM} - m_{W}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{m_{W}}^{2}} + \frac{\left(m_{Z}^{SM} - m_{Z}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{m_{Z}}^{2}}$$

and apply mass constraints in both top-quarks, the W- and the Z-boson.

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Good agreement between data observation and expected SM background. No evidence of Flavor Changing Neutral Currents is found, we derive **95% CL** limits on the BR for this decay

$$BR(t \to qZ) < 1.1\%$$

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ATLAS Detector

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Inner Detector

Silicon pixels and strips, TRT. Use solenoid magnetic field to measure momentum. High efficiency tracker, ^{21m} performs precise measurements of leptons.

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Top Quark Mass from t-tbar cross section

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Top Quark Mass - Lepton + Jets (2D)

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Angular Asymmetries

Measured in lepton + jets:

$$A_+ = 0.54 \pm 0.02 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.05 \text{ (syst.)}$$

 $A_- = -0.84 \pm 0.01 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (syst.)}$

Measured in dilepton channel:

$$A_+ = 0.54 \pm 0.03 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.05 \text{ (syst.)}$$

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Combination of both channels:

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