Cross section studies for  $t\bar{t}$  +N jets final states *Theodoros Diakonidis* (I.N.P.P, DEMOKRITOS)









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# Motivations & goals

• The process  $pp \rightarrow t\overline{t} + j\overline{j}$  is quite important SM process for testing QCD

 At the same time is an important background for new Physics searches.

 Our target is to measure its cross section with CMS data collected during 2012 (19.5 fb<sup>-1</sup>) and compare the measurement with theoretical predictions.

**The**  $pp \rightarrow t\overline{t} + j\overline{j}$  process became very attractive for lot of theory groups to calculate it at one-loop level, since it is a background to the Higgs discovery process  $pp \rightarrow t\overline{t} H \rightarrow t\overline{t} + b\overline{b}$ 

Fairly moderate corrections O(15%-30%) have been found.

**Bredenstein** *et al.* NLO QCD corrections to  $t\overline{t}bb$  production at the LHC:

- 1. quark-antiquark annihilation JHEP08 **108** (2008) hep-ph/ 0807.1248
- 2. gluon-gluon annihilation hep-ph/ 0905.0110 (1001.4727,1001.4006)
- G. Bevilacqua et al. hep-ph/0907.4723, 1002.4009, 1108.2851

**T.Diakonidis, Bas Tausk** The case of  $gg \rightarrow t\overline{t} + gg$ 

#### To give somebody an idea of the feynman diagrams that needed to be calculated at one loop level accuracy: e.g. for the case of $pp \rightarrow \overline{tt} + jj$

TABLE	I. Partonic	subprocesse	s contril	buting to	the lead-
ing order	process pp	$(p\bar{p}) \rightarrow t\bar{t}jj$	at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$	$\frac{1}{2}$ ). The	number of
Feynman	diagrams co	prresponding	to these	subproces	sses is also
shown.					

Partonic	Number Of Feynman Diagrams		
SUBPROCESS			
$gg  ightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	123		
$gg \rightarrow t \bar{t} q \bar{q}$	36		
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	36		
$gq \rightarrow t\bar{t}qg$	36		
$qg \rightarrow t\bar{t}qg$	36		
$qq' \rightarrow t\bar{t}qq'$	7		
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}q'\bar{q}'$	7		
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}q\bar{q}$	14		

TABLE II. The number of one-loop Feynman diagrams for the  $pp(p\bar{p}) \rightarrow t\bar{t}jj$  process at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^5)$ .

Partonic Subprocess	Number Of Feynman Diagrams
	Dirioning
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	4510
$gg \to t\bar{t}q\bar{q}$	1100
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	1100
$gq \rightarrow t\bar{t}qg$	1100
$qg \rightarrow t\bar{t}qg$	1100
$qq' \rightarrow t\bar{t}qq'$	205
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}q'\bar{q}'$	205
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}q\bar{q}$	410

Representative sets of Feynman diagrams for tree and one loop level for the case of  $pp \rightarrow \overline{tt} + jj$ 



FIG. 1. A representative set of Feynman diagrams contributing to the LO hadronic  $t\bar{t}jj$  production at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$ . Double brown lines correspond to top quarks, single lines to light quarks and wiggly ones to gluons.

FIG. 2. A representative set of Feynman diagrams contributing to the virtual corrections to hadronic  $t\bar{t}jj$  production at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^5)$ . Double brown lines correspond to top quarks, single lines to light quarks and wiggly ones to gluons.

The absolute cross sections and corresponding theoretical errors at one loop order for the CMS at 8 TeV for the most relevant to study processes:

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}^{NLO} = (LHC_{8TeV}, M_t = 173, 5GeV, CT10) = 229.3_{-55.7}^{+40.7} [fb]$$
  
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}jj}^{NLO} = (LHC_{8TeV}, M_t = 173, 5GeV, CT10) = 20.97_{-2.79}^{-3.25} [pb]$$

#### The tables and figures and cs were taken from **G. Bevilacqua et al**. hep/ph. 1108.2851 1403.2046

### Our specific final state

- We are mainly interested for the semileptonic final state of the system:
- So one top decays to W and b and then W decays semileptonically to electrons & muons
- The other top decays to W b and W decays to two jets.
- So our final state contains: e or μ, at least 4 jets with 2 of them identified as b-jets and MET from neutrino.
- Main background processes are : the other modes of ttbar, single top, Wjets, Zjets, VV, QCD



# Experimental Signature

Triggers

- Single muon : HLT\_IsoMu24\_eta2p1\_vX
- It requires at least one isolated muon with  $P_T > 24GeV$  on trigger object level

Single electron : HLT\_Ele27\_WP80\_v10

Accepts an event if an electron with  $E_T > 27 GeV$  has been found at HLT object level

Unprescaled through the whole 2012

- 2 B-tagged jets (tagged with the CSV) with  $P_T$  >35.0 GeV and ()  $|\eta|$ <2.4 plus one additional jet with  $P_T$  >35.0 GeV
- Most energetic lepton (tight) with  $P_T > 30.0 \text{ GeV}$ and  $|\eta| < 2.4$

# MET & Multiplicity (first look)



All backgrounds from MC. No data-driven methods applied yet.

# Data driven Background treatment

W+jets

Charge asymmetry is expected in W+jets (more up quarks that down)

$$N_{WJets} \sim \frac{N_D^+ - N_D^-}{A_W}$$

#### QCD

#### Is not well reproduced by MC

The idea is to suppress it as much as possible through our selection and estimate what remains with data driven methods

### The Cross Section measurement

The total cross section to measure is given by:

$$\sigma \cdot BR = \frac{N_{data} - N_{bkg}}{L \cdot ACC \cdot EFF}$$

- $N_{data}$  the number of observed events in data.
- $N_{bkg}$  number of estimated background events.
- BR The branching ratio of the considered channel
- L the integrated luminosity (19,5 fb<sup>-1</sup>)
- ACC the acceptance (geometric and kinematic)
- EFF the efficiency for signal events to pass the selection

# Systematic Uncertainties

#### EXPERIMENTAL

- Luminosity
- Jet Energy Scale
- Trigger and lepton selection efficiencies
- Jet energy resolution
- B-tagging (efficiencies and mistagging rates)
- Pileup



#### THEORETICAL

- The matrix Element/ Parton shower matching threshold
- Factorisation scale Q<sup>2</sup>
- Effects due to uncertainties on the PDFs

# Future plans

- Control better the W+ jets and QCD background
- Apply all the data driven methods to have an even better agreement between data and MC.
- The target seems really challenging.
   A lot of work but worth doing it.

#### THANK YOU

# BACKUP SLIDES