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E The importance of the top quark **E** What the top pair production can tell us • precision measurements • Higgs and new physics **E. How is CMS getting ready?**

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Studying the top

Is it 'standard' physics?

- \bullet The top turns ten years, but still so little known about it…
- \bullet Its large mass gives unique features for the investigation of EW symmetry breaking and physics beyond the SM
- Hope it will be the key for revealing new physics at the LHC.

The LHC will be a top-factory The NLO production cross-section is about 830 pb. At L=2 \bullet 10³³: \rightarrow 2 tt events per second ! \rightarrow more than 10 million tt events expected per year: perfect place for precision physics perfect place for precision physics

Many good reasons

1. Precision physics measurements: 1. Precision physics measurements:

- $\mathcal P$ many measurements in the production and the decay phase
- $\textcolor{red}{\bullet}$ place where to best constrain the SM ! EW radiative corrections $\propto m_t^{\,2}$
- 2. New physics potential: 2. New physics potential:
- $\textcolor{red}{\bullet}$ enormous mass, close to the EW scale
- $\textcolor{black}{\bm{\mathrm{s}}}$ larger coupling with Higgs
- \bullet perfect place where new physics could manifest itself (in production and decay)
- 3. Essential tool for calibration:
- $\textcolor{black}{\bm{\sigma}}$ jet energy scale (b, light jets)
- $\textcolor{black}{\bm{\bm{\mathscr{F}}}}$ b-tagging calibration
- ∞ excellent understanding of standard physics is essential to search for new physics and for any claim of discovery !

Getting ready

In preparation for data taking, CMS is also completing its Physics TDR. This has been the time to refine/prepare software, tools and analysis techniques to be ready when the first data will arrive.

Main focus on:

- \cdot Robust software architecture for event simulation and reconstruction
	- \bullet aim to have first results with full detector simulation in the Physics TDR
- ∞ Sound and complete event generation, or know how to do it
	- massive event generation and simulation with up-to-date generation tools
	- getting experience on the needs (tools/computation) for real analyses.
- ∞ Sound strategies for assessing systematics from theory and detector
	- common (between analyses and eventually experiments for theory) determination of systematics is highly desirable. Work ongoing.
- \rightarrow Many results are being completed in these months, still it is possible to give an overview of what we have been doing and what we should expect.

The event generation setup in CMS is steadily moving towards a more complete and realistic data simulation.

- From PYTHIA to Toprex for top spin correlation.
- Define a common set-up for input parameter and 'environmental' settings in PYTHIA: PYTHIA:
	- \bullet radiation and hadronization/fragmentation
		- → **use LEP tuning use LEP tuning**
	- \bullet minimum bias and underlying event
		- \rightarrow PYTHIA tuning to Tevatron and lower energy data from UA5
	- PDF description
		- \rightarrow CTEQ6L/M for central value and study of systematics
- Use a better ME description where needed –CompHEP, ALPGEN- (next slide)

Full simulation is entirely GEANT 4 based.

 \rightarrow validated on test beam data and with previous simulation GEANT 3 based

 \rightarrow More than 10M SM events produced in the last months

Hard process description

The study of top production involves final states with many jets/partons.

- \rightarrow better to describe the processes with the highest matrix elements (ME) possible order.
- \rightarrow this is true for the tt signal, but even more so for the background (esp. $W/Z+jets$).

In CMS a large production of SM processes using ALPGEN has also been launched O(10-20M events): (LO ME plus parton-jet matching to avoid double counting in exclusive samples)

backgrounds and systematics with more details $\overline{\hspace{1cm}}_{0.5}$ $\overline{\hspace{1cm}}$ $\overline{\hspace{1cm}}$ They will be used to validate results, study

Top production and decay at the LHC

Top production at the LHC happens mainly via gluon fusion:

The top in the SM decays into W+b, leading to different signatures

 $\mathcal F$ need to reconstruct and identify

- electrons
- muons
- b-jets
- light jets
- \bullet missing E_{T}

 \rightarrow Excellent energy flow is mandatory

Measuring the rates tests production and decay mechanisms at the same time

Triggering on top

Trigger efficiency is an issue at hadronic machines The inclusive triggers allow to explore as much as possible the wide range of standard physics final states

• isolated leptons, many jets and missing ET, also b/ τ tagging possible with the inclusion of tracking devices in the second level trigger

Generally no big problems for top pair production in (semi)leptonic channels.

The most difficult is the fully hadronic final state:

- \textcircled{r} Lower the thresholds and make use of a fast pixel b-tagging requiring 2 tracks in a jet with IP significance exceeding 2σ
- ∞ Additionally use the regional full track reconstruction requiring 3 tracks with IP significance of at least 2.5σ
- \textdegree Signal efficiency \sim 15% with S/B \sim 1/160

low luminosity HLT trigger table

Di-lepton event selection

Selection is cut based:

- $\bm \varphi$ Single or di-lepton trigger
- ∞ Two isolated oppositely charged leptons with $E_T > 20$ GeV and $\mid n \mid < 2.5$
- $\bm{\textcircled{*}}$ Missing E $_{\textsf{T}}$ >40 GeV
- $\textcolor{black}{\bm{\mathrm{s}}}$ At least two jets with E $_\text{T}$ >20 GeV and $|n|$ < 2.5
- $\textcolor{red}{\mathcal{P}}$ Two tightly b-tagged jets

Main background represented by $Z+jets$ when no b-tagging is present. \rightarrow cut the Z peak for leptons of same flavour

With tight b-tagging, efficiency about 5% $(15%$ without b-tagging) with excellent background reduction

 \rightarrow S/B~5 (B mainly from leptonic τ decays)

Semileptonic event selection

Selection is cut based:

- $\bm{\varpi}$ Single lepton trigger
- ্ৰি \degree One isolated lepton with E_T>20 GeV and $|\eta|$ < 2.5
- ্ৰ \in Exactly four jets with E_T>30 GeV and $|\eta|$ < 2.4
- $\textcolor{black}{\bullet}$ Exactly two tightly b-tagged jets (P>60%)
- $\textcolor{black}{\bullet}$ Exactly two anti b-tagged jets (P<30%)

Main background represented by $W+jets$

(to a minor extent $Z+jets$ and di-bosons)

 \rightarrow Efficiency about 4% with excellent background reduction ($S/B~1$)

Further improvement can be obtained by a mass cut after the full event reconstruction Jet pairing via a likelihood ratio technique based on:

- χ**² of the constrained fit imposing the W masses of the constrained fit imposing the W masses**
- **transverse momentum of the resulting tops transverse momentum of the resulting tops**
- difference between the fitted and the reconstructed W boson masses
- **•** ΔR between the lepton and the hadronic **b**
- **the b tagging probabilities the b tagging probabilities**

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Fully hadronic channel

Selection is cut based:

- $\,$ Any jet trigger with fast b-tag (either with pixels or with regional track finding) on one of the two most energetic jet
- **P** \degree 6 to 8 jets with E_T>30 GeV and $|\eta|$ < 2.4
- ∞ Kinematic selection:
	- \bullet centrality of the event
	- \bullet non leading jets total E_T
	- aplanarity
- ∞ Separately consider singly and doubly b-tagged events

Main background is given $\frac{8}{6}$
by QCD
Efficiency about 2-3%
with S/B~0.15-0.25
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In the (not so) long run the determination of total and differential top-pair cross-sections will be dominated by systematic errors. The most important are expected to be:

Luminosity: Luminosity:

• Reasonable goal is 5%

([→] **measure measure the number of interactions interactions per bunch crossing (HF) and** ^σ**(pp) (TOTEM) (pp) (TOTEM))**

Theory related:

- **Radiation description (→ vary Λ_{οcD} and Q²_{max})**
- Minimum bias and underlying event Minimum bias and underlying event**(**[→] **extrapolation extrapolation error from low energy data)**
- PDF parametrization parametrization **(**[→] **CTEQ6M) CTEQ6M)**

Reconstruction related:

- Jet energy scale (→ ECAL: 0.5%, HCAL: 1-2%, jet energy calibration to a few %)
- b-tagging tagging efficiency+fake efficiency+fake rate **(**[→] **use tt for calibration: to 4-5% with 10/fb)**
- Lepton identification and energy scale

 \mathscr{F} Work is ongoing to provide sound estimates for the Physics TDR.

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Pilot run in 2007 without ECAL end-caps and pixels. The first fb⁻¹ will be in 2008 with full detector: the main issue for interpreting the first data will come from imperfect alignment:

• first data taking scenario (1 fb⁻¹), opposed to long term data taking (10 fb⁻¹): \rightarrow alignment of the tracker with data will be incomplete (e.g. isolated μ)

Pixels aligned to a 10 μ m level is good enough to have an acceptable degradation of the b-tagging performance.

The systematics, in particular those detector related, will be worse by a factor \sim 2, but:

- \rightarrow Selection procedure basically works also for the first fb $\rm ^1$
- \rightarrow The top mass peak can be reconstructed in matter of days
- \rightarrow Fast feedback on detector performance.

Top-pair production will be extremely useful for standard precision measurements…

- top quark properties (mass, spin, charge)
	- $\Gamma \rightarrow$ other talks in these sessions]
- constraining of PDFs
- V_{tb} measurement (in addition to single top):

measured by the ratio of double to single b tag of the selected events

within the SM
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R(bb/b) = \frac{BR(t \to Wb)}{BR(t \to Wq)} = \frac{|V_{tb}|^2}{|V_{tb}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{td}|^2} = |V_{tb}|^2
$$

dominated by systematics on the b-tagging efficiency and fake rate. • measurement of coupling from ttZ and tt γ production

Would be the first direct information on top couplings to neutral bosons.

...and a perfect workshop for calibrating reconstruction tools:

• b-tagging

 \rightarrow see Jan Heyninck's talk

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 \bullet jet energy scale

Example: gluon PDFs

With an accurate measurement of the top-pair production cross-section the proton PDF can be further constrained:

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\frac{dN_X}{dy} = \frac{d\sigma_{qq,gg \to X}}{dy} \bullet L \bullet pdf_{qq,gg}(x_1, x_2; Q^2)
$$

- a large range of x and Q2 can be probed: m²=sx₁x₂ and y=1/2ln(x₁/x₂) \Rightarrow x_{1/2}= e ^{±y} m/َ√s
- The dominant production mechanism for heavy quarks (b and t) at the LHC is gluon-gluon fusion
- QCD there needs to be solidly understood

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Beyond the SM

top -pair production will also be a probe for physics beyond the SM: pair production will also be a probe for physics beyond the SM:

- non-SM production $(X \rightarrow t\bar{t})$
	- \rightarrow resonances in the tt system (SM/MSSM Higgs, technicolour, SEWSB)
	- \rightarrow MSSM production
		- unique missing E_T signatures from $\widetilde{g} \to t\,\widetilde{t}$, $\widetilde{t} \to \chi_1^0, t, \, b \to \chi_1^+ t$ $\widetilde{g} \to t \widetilde{t}$, $\widetilde{t} \to \chi_{1,2}^0 t$, $\widetilde{b} \to \chi_1^0$ $\rightarrow t \ \widetilde{t}$, $\widetilde{t} \rightarrow \chi_{1,2}^{0} t$, $b \rightarrow$ $\chi_{1,2}^0$ t, $b \to \chi_1^+$
- non-SM decay $(t\rightarrow Xb, Xq)$
	- \rightarrow charged Higgs
		- \bullet change in the top BR, can be investigated via direct evidence or via deviations of R($\ell\ell\ell$)=BR(W \to l ν) from 2/9 (H+ \to τ ν ,cs).
	- \rightarrow FCNC t decays: t→Zq t→γq t→gq
		- highly suppressed in SM, less in MSSM, enhanced in some sector of SEWSB and in theories with new exotic fermions
		- \bullet 5 sigma discoveries possible for BR down to 10⁻⁴
- non-SM loop correction
	- \rightarrow precise measurement of the cross-section
		- \bullet $\sigma_{\rm tt}$ ^{NLO}- $\sigma_{\rm tt}$ ^{LO}/ $\sigma_{\rm tt}$ ^{LO} < 10% (SUSY EW), <4% (SUSY QCD) typical values, might be much bigger for certain regions of the parameter space
- associated production of Higgs
	- i the contract of 16 \rightarrow ttH (next slide)

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ttH

The Yukawa coupling of top to Higgs is the largest.

- It is a discovery mode of the Higgs boson for masses less than 130 GeV
- Measuring the coupling of top to Higgs can test the presence of new physics in the Higgs sector

 \curvearrowright Very demanding selection in a high jet multiplicity final state

Higgs boson reconstruction

- Reconstruct ttH(h) \rightarrow WWbbbb \rightarrow (lv)(jj)bbbb
- Isolated lepton selection using a likelihood method
- Jet reconstruction: 6 jets at least, 4 of which b-tagged
- Reconstruct missing E_T from four-momentum conservation in the event $(+W$ mass constraint in z)
- Complete kinematic fit to associate the two bs to the Higgs (can improve the pairing efficiency to 36%, under investigation)

Conclusions

Top production at the CMS/LHC will be an excellent place where to:

- 1. make precision electroweak measurements and constrain the SM $(m_t, \sigma_{tt}$, top quantum numbers, PDF)
- 2. test the presence of new physics and explore beyond the SM (ttH, charged H, MSSM)
- 3. calibrate tools and detector

(b-tagging, jet energy scale)

Provided that:

- we gather an accurate understanding of detector and backgrounds
- we know how to deal with systematics

At CMS we are working on that...

The physics TDR will be the occasion to show all the CMS potential in terms of both physics results and readiness to take and analyze data

Resonances

Many theoretical models include the existence of resonances decaying to top-pair

- SM Higgs (but BR smaller with respect to the WW and ZZ decays)
- MSSM Higgs (H/A, if m_H,m_A>2m_t, BR(H/A→tt)≈1 for tanβ≈1)
- Technicolor Models, strong ElectroWeak Symmetry Breaking, Topcolor

Clear experimental signature and ability to reconstruct top also make it a useful "tool" for studying exotica

ATLAS: study of a resonance X once known σ_{χ} , Γ_{χ} and BR(X \rightarrow tt) Reconstruction efficiency for semileptonic channel:

- \bullet 20% m $_{\rm tt}$ =400 GeV
- \bullet 15% m $_{\rm tt}$ =2 TeV

 \rightarrow Shown sensitivity up to a few TeV

Commissioning

Determination M_{Top} in initial phase • Use 'Golden plated' lepton+jet

Selection:

- Isolated lepton with P_T >20 GeV
- Exactly 4 jets (Δ R=0.4) with $P_T > 40$ GeV

Reconstruction:

• Select 3 jets with maximal resulting P_T

With an extremely simple selection and reconstruction the top-peak should be visible at the LHC since the beginning

Main background: W+4jets

measure the top mass to 5-7 GeV → **give feedback on detector performance give feedback on detector performance**

Fixed order matrix elements: truncated expansion in $\alpha_{\rm s}$:

- $\,$ Full helicity structure to the given order $\,$
- $\mathcal F$ To be used for hard (compared to signal scale) jets.

Parton Showers: infinite serie in α_{S} keeping only singular terms ϵ (collinear approximation): (collinear approximation):

- \textcircled{F} Excellent approximation at low p_T , with emission at any order and simple interface with hadronization models
- ∞ Large uncertainties away from singular regions
- $\mathcal F$ To be used for soft (compared to signal scale) jets.

The LHC

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Initial/low lumi L≤10 33 cm⁻² s⁻¹

a few minimum bias/crossing

Design/high lumi $L=10^{34}$ cm⁻² s⁻¹

pp (mainly) at $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV Startup in April 2007

Heinemever, Weiglein '03

 160 165

80.20

 $400 - 60$

SM

 $(\delta m_H/m_H \approx 25\%)$

170 175 180 185 190 \Rightarrow Chances of ruling out the SM ! 210

Top mass error evolution

Generation tools

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HLT performance

Event selection is conditioned by efficiency, bandwidth, CPU power

Different classes of selections:

- **The Inclusive triggers to cover the large part of endom** the standard physics program
- \in Exclusive triggers to extend the physics program to specific sectors
- ∞ Calibration and monitor triggers to understand the status and performance of the detector

Each trigger receives part of the bandwidth. Thresholds will be changed according to new physics scenarios or detector needs physics scenarios or detector needs

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Resolution comparison

ATLAS

CMS

Trigger CPU, rate, speed

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Early physics with CMS

Possible from April 2008, after the pilot run is over...

⇒ *The first thing we need to understand/measure The first thing we need to understand/measure …*

Basic rates for W, Z, tt, … *Important for: Important for:*

- calorimeter calibration, alignment, ...
- the understanding of the major background sources for Higgs and SUSY searches such as $Z+nj$, W $+nj$, tt, ...
- Yet, there are also very exciting SM measurements!

Example: M_{top} from tt \rightarrow WbWb \rightarrow bbqqlv Ingredients:

- full kinematic reconstruction (utilize all constraints)
- b-tagging of jets
- isolated lepton + jet reconstruction + E_T^{miss}

 \Rightarrow Target $\Delta M_{\text{top}} \sim 1 \text{GeV}$ A clear challenge because this measurement is completely limited by systematic! *… looks like a perfect learn exercise …*

The b-tagging

It is performed exploiting the b decay characteristics: \rightarrow IP of decay tracks, vertex displacement, high $\bm{{\mathsf{p}}}_\text{T}$ lepton

> 60% b tag \approx \sim 6% u jet mis-tag 1% u jet mis-tag \approx ~ 45% b jet tag

u jet rejection limited by vertex detector quality 60% b tag => \sim 1% u jet mistag c jet rejection limited by c lifetime g jet rejection limited by g splitting limited by g splitting to bb (4%) or cc (6%)

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