Top quark pair-production cross-section measurements with the ATLAS detector



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Motivation

measurement of $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$

- \rightarrow provides a stringent test of QCD calculations with heavy quarks
- \rightarrow allows a **determination** of the **top-quark mass** in a well-defined renormalization scheme \rightarrow see M. Pinamonti's talk on Thursday
- -- sensitive to potential new physics

Differential measurements

- \rightarrow important background for processes with Higgs boson
- $\rightarrow p_{\tau}$ of t quark, mass of $t\bar{t}$ system sensitive to the modeling of higher order corrections in QCD
- \rightarrow rapidity of t quark and $t\bar{t}$ system sensitive to the parton distribution functions (PDF)
- → p_T of $t\bar{t}$ system sensitive to the amount of gluon radiation in the event, usefull for the tuning of Monte Carlo generators
- → opening azimutal angle between top quarks sensitive to additional radiation in the main scattering process => sensitive to effects beyond LO in the matrix elements

Measurement of lepton variable in di-lepton events → see J. E. Garcia Navarro's talk

(variables defined by leptons only – no need to reconstruct $t\bar{t}$ system):

- \rightarrow lepton pseudorapidity, dilepton rapidity sensitive to PDFs
- \rightarrow azimutal angle between leptons sensitive to spin correlations
- \rightarrow single lepton p_{T} ; dilepton variables (p_{T} , inv. mass, ...) sensitive to the top quark mass

Inclusive tt cross-section



Inclusive tt cross-section @ 8 TeV (lepton+jets)

arXiv:1712.06857 [hep-ex]

 \rightarrow supersedes results from PRD 91 (2015) 112013

Selection:

- → one **e or** μ ; ≥ 4 small-R jets; E_{T}^{miss}
- $\rightarrow \geq$ 1 b-tagged jet

Measurement:

- → sample divided into 3 signal regions (SR)
 SR1: ≥ 4 jets, 1 b-tagged jet
 SR2: = 4 jets, 2 b-tagged jet
 SR3: ≥ 4 jets, ≥ 2 b-tagged jet (excluding SR2)
- → each SR has its own discriminating variable SR1 and SR3: NN outputs SR2 invariant mass of two light jets m(jj)

Results:

 \rightarrow **binned maximum-likelihood fit** performed simultaneously in three signal regions

 $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\mu a} = 48.8 \pm 0.1 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 2.0 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.9 \text{ (lumi) pb}$

- → the largest systematics from signal Monte Carlo modeling and PDFs
- → theory prediction (NNLO+NNLL):

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 253^{+13}_{-15} \,\mathrm{pb}, \ m_{top} = 172.5 \,GeV$$

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discriminating variable SR1:



 $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{mc} = 248.3 \pm 0.7 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 13.4 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 4.7 \text{ (lumi) pb}$

Inclusive tt cross-section @ 8 TeV (τ +jets)

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Decay $t \rightarrow \tau v_{\tau} b$ –one can investigate coupling of the 3rd generation fermions in single process \rightarrow deviation in BR($t \rightarrow \tau v_{\tau} b$) => indication of non-SM

Selection:

- \rightarrow one τ (hadronically decaying);
- $\rightarrow \geq 2 \text{ small-R jets; } E_{T}^{\text{miss}}$
- $\rightarrow \geq 2$ b-tagged jets

Measurement:

- \rightarrow sample divided into 2 sub-samples
 - $\tau_{1-\text{prong}}$: $\tau \rightarrow \text{single charged particle}$
 - $τ_{3-\text{prong}}$: τ → three charged particle (ΣQ_i = 1)
- → for both sub-samples ≥ 0 π^0 can be present
- ightarrow BDT used to distinguish au -jets from q- or g-jets

Results:

→ inclusive cross-section (uncer. 12%)

 $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{inc} = 239 \pm 4$ (stat.) ± 28 (syst.) ± 5 (lumi) pb

→ the largest systematics from radiation, JES, and b-tag efficiency

$p_{_{\rm T}}$ of au having the largest $p_{_{\rm T}}$ in the event



Upper limit for any non-SM process:

Observed (expected): $22(22^{+2}_{-1}fb)$

tt to Z-boson cross-section ratios (@ 7, 8, 13 TeV) JHEP 02 (2017) 117

 \rightarrow ratios like $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{tot}/\sigma_{Z}^{fid}$ lead to cancellation of luminosity and some experimental uncertainties

→ theoretical results: $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ @ NNLO + NNLL; and σ_{z} @ NNLO QCD + NLO EW accuracies

 \rightarrow results obtained from previously measured cross-sections except $Z \rightarrow l^+l^- \otimes 13$ TeV (new):

→ fiducial space for Z production: $p_{T}^{lep} > 25$ GeV, $|\eta^{lep}| < 2.5$; 66 GeV $< m_{\parallel} < 116$ GeV

Results from 13 TeV measurements:

→ theory uncertainties dominated by PDFs uncertainties
→ data agree best with ATLAS-epWZ12 PDF set disfavor ABM12 PDF set



Data have power to constrain gluon distribution function at Bjorken-x ~ 0.1



Differential tt cross-section measurements @ 13 TeV



Di-lepton channel

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 \rightarrow one **e and** μ (opposite charge)

 $\rightarrow \geq 2$ small-R jets (≥ 1 b-jet)

Observables

 p_T^t , $|y^t|$ (include *t* and \overline{t}) $|y^{t\overline{t}}|, p^{t\overline{t}}, m^{t\overline{t}}$

All-hadronic channel

arXiv:1801.02052

Di-Boosted topology:

- $\rightarrow \geq 2$ large-R jets (top-tagged)
- → small-R (b-tagged)jets "inside" large R-jets

Observables

 $p_T^{t,1}, p_T^{t,2}, y^{t,1}, y^{t,2}, |y^{t\bar{t}}|, p_T^{t\bar{t}}, m^{t\bar{t}}$

 $t \bar{t}$ system longitudinal motion in laboratory frame:

 $y_{B}^{t\bar{t}}$ - sensitive to PDFs

 $\Delta \phi^{t \, \overline{t}}$ - sensitive to ratiation in the main scattering process ... (many other observables)

 \rightarrow iterative Bayesian unfolding used to correct for detector effect

Top-quark transverse momenta (I)



 \rightarrow tension between data and most predictions (resolved, higher uncer. in boosted)

→ No electroweak (EW) correction used in predictions – effect is not large enough to remove discrepancy for $p_{\tau} \sim 1$ TeV

Dependence on number of additional jets studied arXiv:1802.06572 (A. Hasib's talk)

 \rightarrow Powheg+Herwig7 gives the best p-values

Top-quark transverse momenta (II)



Invariant mass of tt system



All hadronic channel (good agreement achieved)

Rapidity of tt system



L+jets and di-lepton channel

 \rightarrow high value of rapidity of tt system not adequately described by Herwig++

All hadronic channel (data a bit broader than predictions)

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Transverse momenta of tt system



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Differential tt cross-section @ 13 TeV (all hadronic)

Boosted topology

arXiv:1801.02052





Fiducial cross section ($p_T^{t,1}$ >500 GeV, $p_T^{t,2}$ >350 GeV) at particle level

 $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{fid} = 292 \pm 7 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 76 \text{ (syst.) fb}$

→ To be compared with Powheg+Pythia8 (NNLO+NNLL): 384 ± 36 fb

Conclusions

Inclusive cross-section measurements

- \rightarrow precision at the level of theory or better
- \rightarrow significant constraining power to gluon PDFs at high Bjorken-x (x ~ 0.1)

Several differential measurements

- \rightarrow exploring large phase space
- $\rightarrow\,$ sensitive to QCD modeling and MC generator tuning
- \rightarrow data comparable with theory predictions within uncertainties
- → some tension between measurement and NLO predictions for some quantities (e.g. top p_{τ})

For more information see: Top Quark Physics - public results

THANK YOU!

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Back up slides

Atlas detector



Muon Spectrometers (MS)

- \rightarrow tracking chambers + detectors for triggering
- → inside toroidal magnetic field; coverage: $|\eta| < 2.7$; $\sigma / p_{\tau} \approx 2 7$ %

Inclusive tt cross-section @ 8 TeV (l+jets)

 \rightarrow Results from PRD 91 (2015) 112013

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 258 \pm 1 \text{ (stat.)}^{+22}_{-23} \text{ (syst.)} \pm 8 \text{ (lumi)} \pm 4 \text{ (beam) pb}$$

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Source	$rac{\Delta\sigma_{\mathrm{inc}}}{\sigma_{\mathrm{inc}}}$ [%]	$rac{\Delta\sigma_{\mathrm{fid}}}{\sigma_{\mathrm{fid}}}$ [%]
Statistical uncertainty	0.3	0.3
Physics object modelling		
Jet energy scale	1.1	1.1
Jet energy resolution	0.1	0.1
Jet reconstruction efficiency	< 0.1	< 0.1
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ scale	0.1	0.1
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ resolution	< 0.1	< 0.1
Muon momentum scale	< 0.1	< 0.1
Muon momentum resolution	< 0.1	< 0.1
Electron energy scale	0.1	0.1
Electron energy resolution	< 0.1	< 0.1
Lepton identification	1.4	1.4
Lepton reconstruction	0.3	0.3
Lepton trigger	1.3	1.3
b-tagging efficiency	0.3	0.3
<i>c</i> -tagging efficiency	0.5	0.5
Mistag rate	0.3	0.3

Source	$rac{\Delta\sigma_{ m inc}}{\sigma_{ m inc}}$ [%]	$\frac{\Delta \sigma_{\rm fid}}{\sigma_{\rm fid}}$ [%]
Signal Monte Carlo modelling and parton distribution functions		
NLO matching	1.1	0.9
Scale variations	2.2	1.0
Parton shower	1.3	0.9
PDF	3.0	0.1
Background normalisation for non-fitted backgrounds		
Single top	0.3	0.3
$Z+ ext{jets}$	0.2	0.2
Diboson	0.1	0.1
Background modelling		
Zto W modelling	1.1	1.1
Multijet	0.6	0.6
Luminosity	1.9	1.9
Total (syst.)	5.7	4.5
Total (syst.+stat.)	5.7	4.5

Inclusive tt cross-section @ 8 TeV (τ +jets)

 τ + jets channel (√s = 8 TeV, L = 20.2 fb⁻¹) Phys. Rev. D 95, 072003 (2017)

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Uncertainty	$ au_{1 ext{-prong}}$	$ au_{3 ext{-prong}}$	$ au_{ m had}$
Systematic	- 11 /+ 11	- 16 /+ 14	- 12 /+ 12
Jet energy scale	- 4.0 /+ 4.2	- 8.4 /+ 5.7	- 5.0 /+ 4.5
b-tag efficiency	- 4.7 /+ 5.0	- 4.8 /+ 5.0	- 4.7 /+ 5.0
c-mistag efficiency	- 1.6 /+ 1.6	- 1.5 /+ 1.5	- 1.6 /+ 1.6
Light-jet mistag efficiency	- 0.3 /+ 0.3	- 0.5 $/+$ 0.5	- 0.4 /+ 0.4
$E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}$	- 0.3 /+ 0.5	-1.7 /+0.5	- 0.6 /+ 0.4
$\tau_{\rm had}$ identification	- 3.5 /+ 3.4	- 6.0 /+ 5.6	- 4.1 /+ 3.9
$\tau_{\rm had}$ energy scale	- 2.1 /+ 2.0	- 1.2 /+ 1.4	- 1.9 /+ 1.9
Jet vertex fraction	- 0.1 /+ 0.3	- 0.3 /+ 0.3	- 0.2 /+ 0.3
Jet energy resolution	- 1.4 /+ 1.4	- 0.2 /+ 0.2	- 1.1 /+ 1.1
Generator	- 1.5 /+ 1.5	- 2.5 /+ 2.5	- 2.1 /+ 2.1
Parton Shower	- 2.0 /+ 2.0	- 2.6 /+ 2.6	- 2.1 /+ 2.1
ISR/FSR	-6.2 + 6.2	- 8.5 /+ 8.5	- 6.7 /+ 6.7
Misidentified- τ_{had} background	- 1.3 /+ 1.4	- 2.0 /+ 2.2	- 1.6 /+ 1.6
W + jets background	- 2.9 /+ 2.9	- 3.6 /+ 3.6	- 3.0 /+ 3.0
Statistics	- 2.2 /+ 2.2	- 5.6 /+ 5.6	- 1.7 /+ 1.7
Luminosity	- 2.3 /+ 2.3	- 2.3 /+ 2.3	- 2.3 /+ 2.3



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Differential tt cross-section @ 13 TeV (l+jets)

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Level	Detector		Particle
Topology	Resolved	Boosted	
Leptons	$ d_0 /\sigma(d_0) < 5 \text{ and } z_0 \sin \theta < 0.5 \text{ mm}$ Track and calorimeter isolation $ \eta < 1.37 \text{ or } 1.52 < \eta < 2.47 \ (e), \eta < 2.5 \ (\mu)$ $E_{\mathrm{T}}(e), p_{\mathrm{T}}(\mu) > 25 \text{ GeV}$		$ \eta < 2.5$ $p_{\rm T} > 25 { m GeV}$
Small- <i>R</i> jets	$ \eta < 2.5$ $p_{\rm T} > 25 { m GeV}$ JVT cut (if $p_{\rm T}$	< 60 GeV and $ \eta $ < 2.4)	$ \eta < 2.5$ $p_{\rm T} > 25 { m GeV}$
Num. of small- <i>R</i> jets	\geq 4 jets	≥ 1 jet	Same as detector level
$E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}, m_{\mathrm{T}}^{W}$		$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss} > 20 \text{ GeV}, E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss} + m_{\rm T}^W > 60 \text{ GeV}$	Same as detector level
Leptonic top	Kinematic top-quark reconstruction for detector and particle level	At least one small- <i>R</i> jet with $\Delta R(\ell, \text{ small-}R \text{ jet}) < 2.0$	
Hadronic top	Kinematic top-quark reconstruction for detector and particle level	The leading- $p_{\rm T}$ trimmed large- R jet has: $ \eta < 2.0$, $300 \text{ GeV} < p_{\rm T} < 1500 \text{ GeV}, m > 50 \text{ GeV},$ Top-tagging at 80% efficiency $\Delta R(\text{large-}R \text{ jet}, \text{ small-}R \text{ jet} \text{ associated with}$ lepton) > 1.5, $\Delta \phi(\ell, \text{large-}R \text{ jet}) > 1.0$	Boosted: $ \eta < 2.0$ $300 < p_T < 1500 \text{ GeV}$ Top-tagging: m > 100 GeV, $\tau_{32} < 0.75$
<i>b</i> -tagging	At least 2 <i>b</i> -tagged jets	At least one of: 1) the leading- p_T small- R jet with $\Delta R(\ell, \text{ small-}R \text{ jet}) < 2.0 \text{ is } b\text{-tagged}$ 2) at least one small- R jet with $\Delta R(\text{large-}R \text{ jet}, \text{ small-}R \text{ jet}) < 1.0 \text{ is } b\text{-tagged}$	Ghost-matched <i>b</i> -hadron

Top-quark transverse momenta (I)

	$p_{\mathrm{T}}^{t,\mathrm{ha}}$	d	$ y^{t, ha} $	d	$m^{t\bar{t}}$	ŧ	$p_{\mathrm{T}}^{t\bar{t}}$		$ y^{tar{t}} $	
L+Jets – Resolved topology	χ^2/NDF	p-val	χ^2/NDF	p-val	χ^2/NDF	p-val	χ^2/NDF^1	p-val	χ^2/NDF	p-val
Powheg+Pythia6	19.0/15	0.22	7.8/18	0.98	9.8/11	0.55	14.9/6	0.02	20.0/18	0.33
Powheg+Pythia6 (radHi)	20.9/15	0.14	8.5/18	0.97	8.7/11	0.65	56.1/6	< 0.01	17.3/18	0.51
Powheg+Pythia6 (radLo)	20.8/15	0.14	7.4/18	0.99	12.7/11	0.32	22.1/6	< 0.01	25.5/18	0.11
$MadGraph5_aMC@NLO+Herwig++$	23.5/15	0.07	10.7/18	0.91	32.4/11	< 0.01	16.4/6	0.01	28.1/18	0.06
Powheg+Herwig++	30.3/15	0.01	7.9/18	0.98	34.8/11	< 0.01	28.0/6	< 0.01	30.4/18	0.03
$MadGraph5_aMC@NLO+Pythia8$	19.1/15	0.21	8.4/18	0.97	7.6/11	0.75	19.0/6	< 0.01	16.1/18	0.59
Powheg+Pythia8	18.4/15	0.24	10.5/18	0.92	7.7/11	0.74	11.7/6	0.07	12.3/18	0.83
Powheg+Herwig7	13.8/15	0.54	10.9/18	0.90	7.0/11	0.80	11.6/6	0.07	12.8/18	0.80

	$p_{\mathrm{T}}^{t,\mathrm{ha}}$	d	$ y^{t,\mathrm{had}} $		
L+jets – Boosted topology	χ^2/NDF	p-val	χ^2/NDF	p-val	
Powheg+Pythia6	14.7/8	0.06	11.0/10	0.36	
Powheg+Pythia6 (radHi)	19.5/8	0.01	12.3/10	0.27	
Powheg+Pythia6 (radLo)	15.0/8	0.06	10.0/10	0.44	
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO+Herwig++	17.9/8	0.02	12.8/10	0.24	
Powheg+Herwig++	14.1/8	0.08	8.0/10	0.63	
MadGraph5_aMC@NLO+Pythia8	12.8/8	0.12	20.4/10	0.03	
Powheg+Pythia8	16.7/8	0.03	18.4/10	0.05	
Powheg+Herwig7	11.9/8	0.15	11.7/10	0.30	



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Top-quark transverse momenta (II)

Dependence on number of additional jets studied arXiv:1802.06572 (A. Hasib's talk)



Differential tt cross-section @ 13 TeV (l+jets)

Resolved topology

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mass of *tt* system

→ all predictions agree with data except Herwig++

Differential tt cross-section @ 13 TeV (dilepton)

Resolved topology

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top-quark tranverse momenta

$p_{\mathrm{T}}(t)$	$0-70~{\rm GeV}$	$70-150~{\rm GeV}$	$150-250~{\rm GeV}$	$250-400~{\rm GeV}$	$400-1000~{\rm GeV}$	
Source	Systematic uncertainty (%)					
Radiation scale	+2.1 - 0.3	+0.0 - 1.1	+0.4 - 0.3	+0.0 - 1.2	+2.1 - 0.0	
MC generator	± 0.2	∓ 0.2	∓ 0.4	± 2.7	∓ 5.4	
PDF extrapolation	∓ 0.5	∓ 0.4	± 0.4	± 2.4	± 0.8	
PDF4LHC 100	± 0.6	± 0.3	± 0.5	± 1.7	± 4.0	
Parton shower	∓ 2.8	∓ 2.1	± 1.6	± 8.9	± 41	
Background	+0.1 - 0.2	+0.0 - 0.1	+0.3 - 0.0	+0.3 - 0.1	+0.1 - 1.2	
Pile-up	+0.4 - 0.8	± 0.0	+0.3 - 0.2	+0.8 - 0.7	+5.1 - 0.0	
Lepton	+0.4 - 0.3	+0.1 - 0.3	+0.3 - 0.1	± 0.7	+2.3 - 1.9	
b-tagging	± 0.2	± 0.2	± 0.2	± 0.9	+2.3 - 2.4	
Jet	+0.9 - 0.8	+0.4 - 1.0	+0.8 - 0.6	+3.0 - 2.4	+6.9 - 7.3	
$E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}$	+0.2 - 0.1	+0.0 - 0.1	+0.2 - 0.1	+0.3 - 0.5	+1.0 - 0.4	
Luminosity	± 0.0	± 0.0	± 0.0	± 0.0	± 0.0	
MC stat. unc.	± 0.0	± 0.2	± 0.0	± 0.4	± 2.6	
Total syst. unc.	+3.8 - 3.2	+2.2 - 2.7	+2.1 - 2.0	+10 - 10	+42 - 42	
Data statistics	± 1.8	± 1.3	± 1.8	± 3.4	± 10	
Total uncertainty	+4.2 - 3.6	+2.6 - 2.9	+2.8 - 2.7	+11 - 11	+44 - 43	

Differential cross-section of leptons in tt di-lepton events @ 8 TeV

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- → opposite charge leptons one **e** and one μ (p_{T} > 25 GeV, $|\eta|$ < 2.5)
- → ≥ 2 small-R anti-k_T jets: (p_T > 25 GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$), ≥ 1 b-tagged jet (70% efficient point)
- \rightarrow results corrected to detector effects => at particle level
- → 8 distributions considered: p_T^l , $|\eta^l|$; $|y^{e\mu}|$, $p_T^{e\mu}$, $m^{e\mu}$, $\Delta \phi^{e\mu}$, $p_T^e + p_T^{\mu}$, $E^e + E^{\mu}$



- \rightarrow data are softer than the predictions from Powheg (CT10 PDFs), interfaced to Pythia (6 or 8)
- \rightarrow Powheg predictions do not depend strongly on parton shower, hadronisation, or radiation modeling
- \rightarrow agreement with data improved for HERAPDF 1.5 or reweighting to the NNLO prediction

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