## What Should be Understood about Top?

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### Top @ Tevatron 4 LHC

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### Abstract:

Abstract: As the LHC ramps up, the Tevatron will have high-precision data on the top quark with sensitivity to new physics at the TeV scale. With the LHC ramping up, this workshop will assess whether there are opportunities for toprelated physics at the Tevatron that have not been utilized. Main topics: toprelated new physics searches at the Tevatron; the possible anomaly in the top forward-backward asymmetry; and boosted top/jet substructure at the Tevatron. The workshop will have approximately equal number of theorists and experimentalists, and the format is informal with lots of time for discussion.

http://particle.physics.ucdavis.edu/workshops/doku.php?id=2009:topattevatron

## **Tevatron Questions**

### Tom Schwarz Top@Tevatron 4 LHC



# Are we exhausting our phase space at the Tevatron?

### The cold water...X-Section



### t-tbar A<sub>fb</sub>

### t' Search





### **Spin Correlations**



### **Resonance Search**



### Selection not optimal for high energy resonances?



**Collision Energy Distribution (standard cuts)** 

Color Octet  $M_x = 700 \text{ GeV}$ 





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### **Boosted Top**

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Johns Hopkins University / CMS / CDF



 $M_{Z'} > 700 \, GeV/c^2$ 

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## New Idea: Top Jets

- Even moderate parent masses will result in collimated top "jets"
- Substructure can still be resolved
  - Subjets
- Two mass scales involved:
  - Top mass
  - W mass
    - Affects angular distribution of subjets
- For QCD, only gluon emission scales
  - Tend toward "zero" mass, smaller anglular separation



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## New Idea: Top Jets

- How to get at substructure?
- Sequential combination algorithms produce "subjets" naturally in the course of the algorithm!
  - Exploit the clustering sequence



Look at sequential combination in more detail



## Substructure Finding

### Top-down

- "Peel off" layers of jet clustering sequence
- Throw away soft and colinear clusters

### 4 -> 3 -> 2 ->1

- arXiv:hep-ph/0201098
- arXiv:hep-ph/0702150
- arXiv:0806.0848∨2

### Bottom-up

- Start from "ground up" of clustering sequence
- Throw away soft and colinear clusters
- 1 -> 2 -> 3 -> 4
- arXiv:0810.0934

### Comparable results for both

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### **Boosted Top at the Tevatron**

- Can we do this?
- Could be cutting off our tails
  - Delta R cuts on jets
  - Isolation on lepton
- If t' and A<sub>fb</sub> are hinting at something, this might be a good direction

### But what else?





**Tom Schwarz** *Top@Tevatron 4 LHC* 

- Joey Huston (MSU)

## p<sub>T</sub>=270 GeV/c







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## Do we understand backgrounds or are they just contained?



## Why should we care?

- Today's signal is tomorrow's background  $[H+2 \ jets \ t\bar{t}H]$
- tt+j is to the LHC what W + heavy flavor is to the Tevatron

#### The W+HF problem





## Measurement of the $t\bar{t} + j$ Cross Section



### $A_{fb}/A_c$ and A vs $M_{tt}$ in tt Pair Production

### The CDF-II Collaboration

including

U Michigan: G. Strycker, M. Tecchio, D. Amidei UC Davis: T. Schwarz, R. Erbacher, J. Conway Universitat Karlsruhe: J. Wagner, T.Chwalek, W. Wagner



Reconstructed Top Rapidity

Speaker: Dan Amidei, U. Michigan

## Subtract (somewhat asymmetric) Backgrounds



Process	>=4 jets		
W+HF Jets	-0.087±0.0052		
Mistags (W+LF)	-0.044±0.0079		
Non-W (QCD)	-0.017±0.036		
Single Top	-0.16±0.012		
WW/WZ/ZZ	0.1±0.032		
Z+Jets	-0.01±0.014		
Total Prediction	-0.059±0.0079		

-Q\*Y (pp frame) with  $3.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ 

## Measurements

 $A_{FB} = 0.19 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.02$ 

 $\Delta Y$  (tt frame) with 1.9 fb<sup>-1</sup>

 $A_{FB} = 0.24 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.04$ 

D0 has measured

 $\Delta Y$  (uncorrected) with 0.9 fb<sup>-1</sup>

 $A_{FB} = 0.12 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.01$ 

compare CDF  $\Delta$ Y uncorrected A<sub>FB</sub> = 0.11 ± 0.04



The M<sub>tt</sub> distribution: Bridgeman, Liss (CDF) (with Schwarz)

- A proper unfold to parton level
  - "no evidence of departure from SM"



Mass Dependence of the Asymmetry M. Tecchio, T. Schwarz

• unfold in  $M_{tt}$  and  $A_{fb}$ 

#### for some mass cut

- reconstructed data divided into 4 exclusive bins
  - low mass FW
  - low mass BW
  - high mass FW
  - high mass BW
- backgrounds subtracted
- selection bias, reco slews corrected simultaneously in mass and Y with 2x2 unfold
- parton level A<sub>fb</sub> for 2 mass bins "high and low"
- can study as function of cut





Data Measurement with Mass Cut at 450 GeV

Asymmetry in low vs high M<sub>#</sub> for M<sub>tt</sub>=450 GeV



### Now Scan the Cut

- points: data
- dashed: Pythia reweighted with flat Acosθ asymmetry
  - A = 19%
  - no mass dependence
- green: "NLO model", Pythia reweighted with  $A_{FB}$  linearly dependent on  $M_{tt}$  as per fit to NLL calculation
- awaiting more data!



### Now what?

• A<sub>FB</sub> in pp frame

- Procedure for study of mass dependence
- it's all  $2\sigma$
- more studies
  - $\Delta Y$  for full data set
  - understand systematics
  - $\ A_{FB} \ vs \ M_{tt}$
  - $\quad A_{FB} \ vs \ Y$
  - asymmetries of decay products
- more data!!

•While on the energy frontier, we look for interesting events on the tails of the top quark distributions

•Can a t' exist? Can it mimic top?

•Generic 4<sup>th</sup> chiral generation is consistent with EWK data; can accommodate a heavy Higgs (500 GeV) without any other new physics

- •Masses of 4<sup>th</sup> generation quarks ~ few hundreds of GeV
- •Oblique corrections drive Higgs Mass to ~ 500 GeV
- Almost degenerate b' and t' masses: M(t') M(b') < M(W)</li>

•Two Higgs Doublets N=2 SUSY (C.He et al, hep-ph/ 0102144)

## **Total Transverse Energy (Scalar)**



•While on the energy frontier, we look for interesting events on the tails of the top quark distributions

• Little Higgs models predict a heavy t' -like particle

• Several SUSY models provide for a 4<sup>th</sup> generation t' or mimic top-like signatures (Beautiful Mirrors: Choudhury, Tait, Wagner)

## This Analysis ~2.8 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Idea: use kinematics again to separate t' from t

- We search for new quark decays into Wq: t' -> Wq
  - t´ ->Wb´ is kinematically suppressed and  $V_{t'b} \sim V_{t'q}$
- Use lepton+jets events (no b-tagging requirements)
- Assume BR(t'->Wq) ~ 100%
- Model new signal with 4-generation t' quark pair production (Pythia)
- Assume strong t' pair production with strong SM couplings

## **Reconstructed Mass**

$$\chi^{2} = \sum_{i=l,jets} \frac{(p_{t}^{i,meas} - p_{t}^{i,fit})^{2}}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} + \sum_{j=x,y} \frac{(p_{j}^{UE,meas} - p_{j}^{UE,fit})^{2}}{\sigma_{j}^{2}}$$

$$+ \frac{(M_{jj} - M_W)^2}{\Gamma_W^2} + \frac{(M_{lv} - M_W)^2}{\Gamma_W^2} + \frac{(M_{bjj} - M_{fit})^2}{\Gamma_t^2} + \frac{(M_{blv} - M_{fit})^2}{\Gamma_t^2}$$



## **Search for massive top**

•We use the top mass fitter, and fit observed 2D data distribution of  $H_T$  vs  $M_{recon}$ 





Variables are ~modelindependent, to maintain sensitivity to many BSM scenarios





## **Data v. Projections**



## **Couple of strange ones...**



## Significance Test nxn

• measure	
significance of	
excess by looking	at
upper-right-most n	X
n bins	

• let n increase from n=1,2,... and find the n x n region with most significant excess

• then ask "how probable is it that we get such a most significant excess?" CDF Run 2 (2.8 fb<sup>-1</sup>) Preliminary

n	Min $M_{rec}$	Min $H_T$	observed	expected	p-value
	$[{ m GeV/c^2}]$	[GeV]			
1	475	775	0	0.021	1.000
2	450	750	0	0.116	1.000
3	425	725	1	0.228	0.2040
4	400	700	2	0.371	0.0540
<b>5</b>	375	675	3	0.718	0.0364
6	350	650	4	1.503	0.0660
7	325	625	4	2.876	0.3251
8	300	600	12	5.498	0.0110
9	275	575	14	9.885	0.1273
10	250	550	29	18.03	0.0105
11	225	525	41	31.34	0.0555
12	200	500	58	52.05	0.2219
13	175	475	92	91.14	0.4779
14	150	450	152	158.7	0.7141
15	125	425	222	231.0	0.7318

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## Other ideas: Top plus missing $E_T$

- Search for anomalous events that look like top+MET.  $\rightarrow$  SUSY cascades, T $\rightarrow$ A<sub>h</sub>t (L. Wang), ...
- Similar (based on) t' search but optimize for extra MET.
- Search underway at CDF.







### Jorgen D'Hondt

### First Top Quark convenor in CMS (2007 & 2008)



## Testing Top Topologies (The T<sup>3</sup> strategy)



This talk is a" food-for-discussion" presentation. Many of the items can be developed for the Tevatron and the LHC settings. First tests of the principle can be performed at the Tevatron...

### How to characterize the top topology ?

- Minimize the set of "T<sup>3</sup> variables"
- The kinematics of the events can be projected into few variables
- Develop a criteria to define the "best" minimal set of variables
- Add the "extra multiplicity" variables (eg. # extra jets, # btags, # extra lepton, ...)
- Add differences between decay channels...
- Add differences between top and anti-top (eg. CPT symmetry)
- Apply a basic event selection...



Early Tevatron reference "Search for Anomalous Kinematics in ttbar Dilepton Events at CDF II" - arXiv:hep-ex/0412042v2

## Four phase strategy for searches

- Phase 1: Simple blind goodness-of-fit tests
- Phase 2: Rank the events (still general)
- Phase 3: Model-dependent goodness-of-fit tests
- Phase 4: Zoom in and check relevant distributions in interesting ranges





- Top Quark physics is the key topic for the Tevatron and will be the key physics topic for 2-10TeV LHC collisions
- An understanding on the full process, from production over properties to decays, has still to arise
- Goodness-of-fit techniques can be developed and tested at the Tevatron, in order to be applied with confidence at the LHC
- The "T<sup>3</sup> strategy" involves lots of work from both the Tevatron and the LHC side

