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# Introduction

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### **The Top Quark**

- Heaviest known elementary particle: m<sub>t</sub>~173GeV
- Standard Model:
  - Single or pair production
  - Electric charge +2/3 e
  - Short lifetime 0.5x10<sup>-24</sup>s
    - Bare quark no hadronization
  - ~100% decay into Wb
  - Large coupling to SM Higgs boson





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 $B(t \rightarrow W^+b) = 100\%$ 

**Top Pair Branching Fractions** 



*dilepton:* 2 isolated leptons; High missing E<sub>T</sub> from neutrinos; 2 b-jets



#### **Ideontification of b-Jets**

- Important tool to increase tt purity
- b-hadron: travels some millimeters before it decays
- Neural Network (MV1) combines properties of displaced tracks and displaced vertices





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## Top Events as a Laboratory



#### Introduction to Colour Connection and Hadronization

- Quarks carry QCD color charge
  - But only colour singlets can be observed
    - For example W, Z, or bound states like hadrons
- Partons carrying color are color connected to partons with anti-colour



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### **Colour Flow in Top**

- Top events as laboratory to test new tools
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### **Colour Flow in Top**

Consider 4 variables in semileptonic tt events (>1 b-tagged jet)

- Two non-b-tagged jets:
  - Relative jet pull angles
  - Jet pull magnitude



- Two b-tagged jets
  - Relative jet pull angle





#### Analysis

- Correct distributions for detector effects
- 13 TeV analysis: use only track-jets
  - Have shown to have better resolution than calorimeter jets in 8 TeV analysis

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#### **Results for W Daughters**

Correction to stable particle-level (iterative Bayesian unfolding)



- Colour-flipped model disfavoured by the data (for this distribution  $\chi^2$ /NDF: 45.3/3; SM Powheg+Pythia8: 17.1/3)
- MC modeling has room for improvement

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#### Theory

- Recent theory paper on theory prediction for Pull Angle
  - Inspired by our analyses



First theoretical predictions of pull

arXiv:1903.02275

# Angular Distributions

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### **Spin Correlations**

- Top quarks: decay before fragmentation
  - Spin information preserved in decay products
- Hadron colliders: top quarks produced unpolarized, but
  - New physics could induce polarization
    - For example: new physics can cause forward-backward asymmetry  $\rightarrow$  more left-handed top quarks
  - Correlation between top and antitop quark can be measured





#### **Spin Corrleations**

- Measured spin correlation can change
  - Due to different decay





### **Analysis Strategy**

- Highest spin analyzing power: leptons form top decay
  - Use dileptonic tt events
    - Very clean samples
- Use  $\Delta \phi$  between both leptons
  - No kinematic event reconstruction required

- Full  $t\bar{t}$  event reconstruction for  $m_{t\bar{t}}$ 
  - For example neutrino weighting in ATLAS
    - Uses known top and W boson mass as constraints to explore missing neutrino information





#### **Analysis Strategy**

Unfolded differential measurements:

Parton-level

Particle level







### **Measured Distributions**

- Both ATLAS & CMS: fitted spin correlation higher than expected
  - ATLAS: 3.2 $\sigma$  from SM prediction of Powheg MC





#### **Template Fit**

Fitting spin and no-spin hypotheses to parton-level distributions



#### More measured distributions

- Result caused interest in field → new theory predictions
- NLO+EW agrees better with measurement, NNLO (but no EW corrections) worse again
  - NLO+EW: large scale uncertainties
  - Still open riddle what's exactly going on!
  - Need more calculations/measurements?
- Interpretations done in terms of EFT and SuSy models





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#### **Other Measurements**



- More "direct" spin correlation measurement: Spin density matrix elements
  - Challenge: requires full event reconstruction
- ATLAS &CMS: Unfolded distributions extracted



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"helicity"

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#### **Other Spin Measurements**

- All spin-density matrix elements measured
  - More to do to improve sensitivity





• Still more to do to understand the riddle of tt spin correlations!

# The Top and The Higgs

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## The Top and The Higgs

- Top and Higgs: Heaviest known elementary fermion and boson!
  - Top-Higgs Yukawa coupling: predicted to be ~1 in the SM
     → special role of top quark in electroweak symmetry breaking?
     → window to new physics?
     → metastable universe?
- Measuring top-Higgs Yukawa coupling directly: important! (indirectly: in H→γγ and gg→H)
  - Main channel: ttH







## The Top and The Higgs

- Last year: First observation of ttH! (first by CMS, then ATLAS; similar strategies, concentrating on ATLAS here)
- Combination of multiple channels:
  - Higgs decay to  $b\bar{b}$ ,  $WW^*$ ,  $\tau^+\tau^-$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $ZZ^*$
  - Hadronic and/or leptonic top decays used



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## **Diphoton Channel**

- Define two regions: hadronic top decays or events with at least one charged lepton
  - $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ : has to be between 105 and 160GeV
- For each region: train BDTs





#### **ZZ Channel**

- Use events with at least 4 isolated charged leptons
  - Two regions: hadronic (both tops decay hadronically) and leptonic (at least one top decays leptonically)
  - BDT used on hadronic region



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#### **Multilepton Channel**

- Includes  $H \rightarrow WW$  (&ZZ) and  $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$  decays
- Many channels considered
  - Some use BDTs





## $\mathbf{H} \rightarrow \mathbf{b}\overline{\mathbf{b}}$ Channel

- Semileptonic and dileptonic channels considered
  - Separation in many different control and signal regions

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- Very challenging analysis
  - Modeling of background ttbb





(1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>) jet Dilepton,  $\geq 4$  j

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### Semileptonic

- BDTs used enhancing significance
  - Reconstruction of event done with "reconstruction BDT" → access to variables using full events
- Fits including control regions
   → improves control over backgrounds







### Dileptonic

- Similar strategy as in semileptonic channel
  - Reconstruction of full event information more challenging due to two neutrinos





## tīH, H→bb̄ Results

Results already dominated by systematic uncertainties
 → background modeling of ttbb a main factor



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#### Combination

- Combination of all channels: Observation of ttH!
  - Observed significance of  $5.8\sigma$







#### **Summary**

- Top Quark Physics: Probing the heaviest known elementary particle!
  - Jet pull: accessing colour-flow information between jets  $\rightarrow$  information on QCD colour-nature of mother particle
  - Precision measurement of spin correlations
    - probing the full top production and decay chain ever more precise

 $\rightarrow$  still an open riddle where the deviation from prediction comes from

- Top-Higgs: observation of ttH

   → new era of exploring the connection
   between heaviest elementary particles
- Everything compatible with SM so far
- Tops were, are and stay awesome  $\rightarrow$  much to learn about the SM and beyond



Backup



#### **Boosting algorithms**

Boosting algorithms important

- $\blacklozenge$  Higher collision energy  $\rightarrow$  more events can be boosted
- $\blacklozenge$  Production of heavy particles  $\rightarrow$  decay products can be boosted  $\rightarrow$  results in boosted regimes





#### **Colour Flow: Systematics**

$\Delta \theta_{P} \left( i_{1}^{W}, i_{2}^{W} \right) \left[ \% \right]$	$ heta_P\left(j_1^W, j_2^W ight)$					
$-\circ_{F}(j_{1}^{*},j_{2}^{*})$ [70]	0.0 - 0.21	0.21 - 0.48	0.48 - 0.78	0.78 - 1.0		
Hadronisation	0.63	0.22	0.27	0.09		
Generator	0.37	0.24	0.50	0.06		
Colour Reconnection	0.11	0.26	0.03	0.53		
b-Tagging	0.35	0.12	0.20	0.31		
Non-Closure	0.25	0.07	0.08	0.30		
ISR / FSR	0.32	0.12	0.15	0.01		
Other	0.25	0.20	0.11	0.18		
$\operatorname{JER}$	0.12	0.13	0.21	0.03		
$\operatorname{JES}$	0.13	0.06	0.13	0.07		
Tracks	0.09	0.04	0.05	0.07		
Syst.	0.97	0.52	0.68	0.72		
Stat.	0.22	0.18	0.17	0.26		
Total	0.99	0.55	0.71	0.76		



#### **Spin Correlations: Systematics**

Table 5: Summary table of the effect of experimental systematic uncertainties on the  $f_{SM}$  extraction. Uncertainties which are smaller than the precision shown are included in the totals and the  $f_{SM}$  significance calculations.

		$m_{t\bar{t}}$ range [GeV]				
Systematic	Inclusive	$m_{t\bar{t}} < 450$	$450 \leq m_{t\bar{t}} < 550$	$550 \le m_{t\bar{t}} < 800$	$m_{t\bar{t}} \ge 800$	
Matrix element	±0.006	±0.11	±0.064	±0.01	±0.3	
Parton shower and hadronisation	±0.010	±0.02	±0.005	±0.01	±1.4	
Radiation and scale settings	±0.055	±0.05	±0.061	±0.23	< 0.1	
PDF	±0.002	< 0.01	±0.003	±0.01	< 0.1	
Background modelling	±0.009	±0.01	+0.014 -0.015	±0.01	±0.1	
Lepton ID and reconstruction	±0.008	±0.01	+0.030 -0.036	+0.03 -0.10	+0.5 -0.2	
<i>b</i> -tagging	+0.004 -0.003	±0.01	±0.025	+0.04 -0.02	+0.1 -0.2	
Jet ID and reconstruction	+0.014 -0.017	$^{+0.02}_{-0.05}$	+0.076 -0.093	+0.17 -0.26	$^{+1.7}_{-0.6}$	
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ reconstruction	< 0.001	$^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$	+0.042 -0.034	+0.12 -0.14	+0.9 -0.7	
Pile-up effects	+0.013 -0.010	< 0.01	+0.015 -0.019	+0.07 -0.04	+0.2 -0.4	
Luminosity	±0.001	< 0.01	+0.002 -0.000	< 0.01	< 0.1	
MC statistical uncertainty	±0.005	< 0.01	$\pm 0.007$	±0.03	±0.05	
Total systematics	±0.061	+0.12 -0.13	+0.13 -0.14	+0.31 -0.41	+2.5 -1.7	