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# Observation of the Top Quark

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### Outline

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# Pre Top Quark era



- several lower mass limits for the top quark by UA1/2, e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>collider, W/Z measurements and other EW measurements
- \* upper limits from consistency with W/Z masses

#### Tevatron



- \* Running time 1983-2011
- \* 6km circumference
- \* proton anti-proton collider
- \* 1.96 TeV centre of mass energy

## D0 @ Tevatron

- inner tracking detectors
- \* calorimeters
- outside muon chambers



## **Top Production**



# Top Decay

 $b \to \mu + X$ 

- \* Di-lepton:  $e \mu + jets$  e e + jets $\mu \mu + jets$
- Single-lepton
   e + jets
   µ + jets
- Single-lepton b-tagged
   e + jets / μ
   μ + jets / μ



## Kinematic Requirements

	Loptons			Iots				
		Leptons		Jets				
Channel	E	$\mathbb{E}_T(e)$	$p_T(\mu)$	$N_{ m jet}$	$E_T$	$E_T$	$H_T$	$\mathcal{A}$
$e\mu + \text{jets}$		15	12	2	15	20	120	-
ee + jets		20		2	15	25	120	-
$\mu\mu + \text{jets}$			15	2	15	-	100	-
e + jets		20		4	15	25	200	0.05
$\mu + { m jets}$			15	4	15	20	200	0.05
$e + \mathrm{jets}/\mu$		20		3	20	20	140	-
$\mu + {\rm jets}/\mu$			15	3	20	20	140	-

\* tagged muon minimum  $p_T = 4GeV/c$ 

- \* for last 70% of data muons restricted to  $|\eta| < 1$
- \*  $\mu\mu$ +jets and  $\mu$ +jets / $\mu$  inconsistent with Z + jets (kin. fit)

#### H<sub>T</sub> Cuts



FIG. 1. Shape of  $H_T$  distributions expected for the principal backgrounds (dashed line) and 200 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> top quarks (solid line) for (a)  $e\mu$  + jets and (b) untagged single-lepton + jets.

### Avs H<sub>T</sub> Cuts

- Event shape criteria
  - ideal
    spherical:
    A=1/2
  - plane circular
     or linear:
     A=0



FIG. 2.  $\mathcal{A}$  vs  $H_T$  for single-lepton events for (a) multijet background from data (effective luminosity = 60 × data luminosity), (b) background from W + 4 jet VECBOS Monte Carlo simulation (580 pb<sup>-1</sup>), (c) 180 GeV/ $c^2$  top ISAJET Monte Carlo simulation (2200 pb<sup>-1</sup>), and (d) data (13.5 pb<sup>-1</sup>). The dotted lines represent the event shape cuts used in the analysis.

## Event Display



### Results

- 17 events with expected background of 3.8
- \* 11 were used in kinematic fit to determine the top quark mass
- mass:
   199(+19 -21)(± 22)GeV
- production cross-section:
  6.4 ± 2.2pb



FIG. 5. Fitted mass distribution for candidate events (histogram) with the expected mass distribution for 199  $\text{GeV}/\text{c}^2$  top quark events (dotted curve), background (dashed curve), and the sum of top and background (solid curve) for (a) standard and (b) loose event selection.

## Implications

- constrained Higgs Mass
- \* top quark is the heaviest elementary particle known... why so heavy?
- top decays before it hadronizes: unique opportunity to study a "bare" quark
- (Yukawa) coupling to the Higgs field is close to 1: special roll in EW symmetry breaking?
- \* maybe sensitive to new couplings?
- stability of the universe





#### Thank You

Papers:

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- \* Search for High Mass Top Quark Production in pbarp Collisions at sqrt s = 1.8TeV, Phys. Rev. Letters {74} 2422 (1995)
- \* The D0 Detector, Nucl. Instr. and Methods, A338, 185 (1994)

Backup: H<sub>T</sub> Data



