

High precision W mass measurement at the LHC

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<u>Outline</u>

• W mass in the Standard Model (and beyond)

Standing on the shoulders of giants: previous measurements

• Pinning down systematic uncertainties

• Conclusions

Motivations

- A precise measurement of M_w provides a crucial test of the SM
- The electroweak gauge sector of the standard model is constrained by three precisely known parameters
 - $\alpha_{\rm EM} (M_{\rm Z}) = 1 / 127.918(18)$
 - $G_F = 1.16637 (1) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$
 - M_z = 91.1876 (21) GeV
- At tree-level, these parameters are related to M_w by
 - $M_W^2 = \pi \alpha_{EM} / \sqrt{2}G_F \sin 2\vartheta_W$ Where ϑ_W is the weak mixing angle, defined by $\cos \vartheta_W = M_W/M_Z$



W mass beyond the Standard Model

- Radiative corrections due to heavy quark and Higgs loops and exotica motivate the introduction of the ρ parameter:
 - $M_W^2 = \rho[M_W \text{ (tree)}]^2$
 - with the predictions (ρ -1)[~]M²_{top} and (ρ -1)[~]InM_H
 - In conjunction with M top , the W boson mass (over)constrains the mass of the Higgs boson, and possibly new particles beyond the standard model
 - After folding in limits on SUSY particles from direct searches, SUSY loops can contribute 100 MeV to M_W
- From LHC and Tevatron, $\Delta M_{top} \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$ $\rightarrow \Delta M_H/M_H \sim 8\%$
- Equivalent $\Delta M_W = 6$ MeV for the same Higgs mass constraint
 - Current world average $\Delta M_W = 15 \text{ MeV}$
 - Progress on ΔM_W has the biggest impact in this context



Experimental observables

- Extract W mass from 3 observables transversal to the beam direction:
 - Lepton $p_T \rightarrow most$ affected by $p_T(W)$
 - W transverse mass $M_T \rightarrow$ sensitive to detector resolution effects
 - Missing $E_T \rightarrow$ dominated by detector resolution effects
- Complementary observables, not completely correlated



Measurement strategy

- M_w is extracted with a template fit technique of various distributions of CC-DY
- In a template fit approach
 - the best theoretical prediction for a distribution is computed several times, with different values of $\rm M_{\rm W}$
 - each template is compared to the data
 - the measured $\ensuremath{\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{W}}}$ is the one of the template that maximizes the agreement with the data
- Which level of accuracy do we need?



- The measured $\rm M_W$ value does not depend on the normalization of the distributions but rather on their shape
- If we aim at measuring M_w with < 10 MeV of error, are we able to control the shape of the distributions and the theoretical uncertainties at the few per mille level?

The big picture



Previous measurements

- Long series of W mass measurement starting from LEP
- Highest precision with single measurement is 19 MeV by CDF
- World average is 80385 ± 15 MeV



Systematics vs statistics

- For most of the sources of systematic uncertainties, Tevatron demonstrated that is possible to better control them with more statistics
- Exception is the PDF uncertainty, where a dedicated effort is required to improve sensitivity
- Factor of 2-5 statistics of W and Z bosons available at Tevatron wrt published results
- Huge samples at LHC:
 - 10 fb⁻¹ at 8 TeV provide O(40M) W boson and O(2.5M) Z boson candidates per decay channel per experiment
 - Statistical uncertainty on W mass fit ~2 MeV
 - Much bigger pileup wrt Tevatron







Theoretical uncertainties (I)

- Constraining Boson pT Spectrum Open Questions
 - How many parameters needed to describe pT spectrum at the 1 MeV level of precision on W boson mass (3 times better than today)
 - Do these parameters have a well-defined meaning for pT(Z) vs pT(W) spectrum?
 - Are there any non-perturbative effects that differ for W bosons vs Z bosons ? At what level does $p_T(Z)$ measurement not constrain $p_T(W)$ spectrum?
 - Charm-induced production and charm quark mass is the canonical example of such an effect
 - RESBOS widely used. New competitor in the game: DYRES



Theoretical uncertainties (II)

- W boson Decay Angular Distribution Open Questions
 - Important to check theoretical calculations, which feed into other precision measurements (eg. M_W measurement in the case of W boson's decay angular coefficients)
 - W boson decay angular distribution (which affects lepton pT spectrum and hence mass measurement) deviates from Born-level V-A prediction due to QCD radiation
 - How accurately can we calculate these coefficients at low pT(W)?
- Including EWK corrections Recent improvements
 - At Tevatron W & Z simulation is provided by RESBOS, which contains only QCD corrections
 - Multiple radiative photons generated according to PHOTOS
 - Recently, NLO QCD+EWK corrections have been implemented in POWHEG for W & Z
 - How to combine the two approaches?
 - Recently NNPDF released a set containing EWK corrections, required to incorporate consistently EWK effects

$$\sigma_{tot} = \sigma_0 + \alpha_s \sigma_{\alpha_s} + \alpha_s^2 \sigma_{\alpha_s^2} + \dots$$

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$$WGRAD, RADY, HORACE, SANC$$

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Theoretical uncertainties (III)

- PDF Uncertainties scope for improvement
 - At Tevatron dominant sources of W mass uncertainty are the d valence and d-u degrees of freedom
 - Is this still true at LHC?
 - Some authors claim (arXiv:1004.2597) that PDF will severely limit MW precision at LHC
 - Other authors show (Phys. Rev. D83, 113008) that even before adding LHC data, PDF should count O(20) MeV for M_w at LHC using transverse mass
 - In principle errors with lepton p_T can be larger because of the gluon dominance

NLO-QCD, normalized transverse mass distribution



Theoretical uncertainties (IV)

- PDF Uncertainties scope for improvement
 - Newer PDF sets include more recent Tevatron and LHC data
 - Tevatron and LHC measurements that can further constrain PDFs:
 - Z boson rapidity distribution, $\mathsf{W} \to \mathsf{Iv}$ lepton rapidity distribution, $\mathsf{W}\text{+}\mathsf{charm}$
 - have impact on the strange quark
 - W boson charge asymmetry
 - New CMS muon W asymmetry data has relative uncertanties below 1%
 - According PRD 83, 113008, 2011 it should allow to constrain significantly the PDF uncertainties on the W mass measurement



Experimental uncertainties (I)

- Lepton momentum scale:
 - lepton carries most of W mass information, can (must) be measured precisely
 - Tevatron achieved 0.03%
 - - Different phase space, interested in high efficiency more than purity
 - Using Z events, calibration ultimately limited by statistics → best-case scenario of statistical limit ~ 5 MeV precision
 - CDF used J/Psi and Y to reach better accuracy: is this the way to go?
 - Is the higher detector material budget a limiting factor at LHC?



Experimental uncertainties (II)

- Hadronic recoil
 - Initial state QCD radiation is O(10 GeV), measured as soft 'hadronic recoil' in calorimeter
 - Pollutes W mass information, fortunately p_T(W) << M_W
 - Recoil calibrated to ~1% at Tevatron
 - CMS in the H $\rightarrow \tau \tau$ context achieved 5%
 - Different phase space, interested in high efficiency more than purity



Experimental uncertainties (III)

- Open questions: can the Z → II data constrain all the relevant W boson systematics?
 - Production and decay dynamics are slightly different
 - Different quark parton distribution functions
 - Non-perturbative (e.g. charm mass effects in $cs \rightarrow W$) effects
 - QCD effects on polarization of W vs Z affects decay kinematics
 - Lepton energies different by ~10% in W vs Z events
 - Presence of second lepton influences the Z boson event relative to W
 - Reconstructed kinematic quantity different (invariant vs transverse mass)
 - Subtle differences in QED radiative corrections
- Can we add other constraints from other mass resonances or better exploit the detector informations?
 - Tevatron showed that with every increase in statistics of the data samples, a new learning curve on the systematic effects is climbed

Conclusions

- The W boson mass is a very interesting parameter to measure with increasing precision
 - It requires a coordinate effort between experimental and theoretical communities
- D0 prediction for full data set
 - Significantly extend eta coverage
 - 15 MeV uncertainty (not including improvements in PDFs)
- CDF prediction for full dataset
 - 10 MeV uncertainty (including improvements in PDFs; hich are expected from measurements of W charge asymmetry)
- LHC is going to enter in the game: 10 MeV to 5 MeV, ultimate precision
 - Current measurements are critical steps towars this goal:
 - boson pT, rapidity spectra
 - W charge asymmetry
 - W+c jet
- The next "quantum leap" in precision could come from a TLEP-like machine (0.5 MeV uncertainty)
 - We hope to see surprises already at LHC: stay tuned!



Backup slides

Improving PDFs with LHC data

- From the experimental data point of view, all the current and future needs of the LHC in terms of PDFs, including the measurement of MW can be addressed by a specific PDF program at the LHC
- There is a long list of measurements to be pursued, that will provide all required information on PDFs:
 - Inclusive jets and dijets, central and forward: large-x quarks and gluons
 - Isolated photons: medium-x gluons
 - Inclusive W and Z production and asymmetries: quark flavor separation, strangeness
 - W production with charm quarks: direct handle on strangeness
 - W production with jets: medium small-x gluon
 - Off resonance DY and W production at small and high mass: quarks at very small and very large-x
 - Top quark distributions: large-x gluon
 - Z+charm: intrinsic charm PDF
 - Single top production: gluon and bottom PDFs
 - Charmonium production: small-x gluon
- To maximize the LHC data impact on PDFs, it is crucial to coordinate a detailed PDF program between the LHC experiments and the Theory community