CDF Highlights

a personal selection: \star inclusive $\sigma \times BR$ for W/Z $\star Z' \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ Searches \star top cross sections $\star X(3872) \to J/\psi \, \pi^+ \pi^-$

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Key Elements:

- acceptance
- efficiency
- background
- momentum resolution

as appear in:

- 1. inclusive W and Z cross section measurements
- 2. searches for anomalous high-mass di-muon pairs
- 3. top cross sections
- 4. J/ψ signals

Inclusive W and Z Cross Section Measurements

We measure both the individual cross sections for

 $p\bar{p} \to W \to \ell\nu$ and $p\bar{p} \to Z \to \ell^+\ell^-$

and their ratio,

$$R = \frac{\sigma \times BR(W \to \ell\nu)}{\sigma \times BR(W \to \ell\nu)} = \left(\frac{\sigma(W)}{\sigma(Z)}\right) \times \frac{1}{Br(Z \to \ell^+ \ell^-)} \times \frac{\Gamma(W \to \ell\nu)}{\Gamma_W^{\text{tot}}}$$

(We pursue both electron and muon channels simultaneously.)

- gateway to top and searches for new physics
- a basic test of the Standard Model (QCD / parton distributions)
- extraction of W width
- future benchmark for luminosity

Our aim is a precision of 1 - 2% aside from the luminosity uncertainty.

Acceptance

- geometrical and kinematic
- accuracy depends on the fidelity of the detector description in the MC. requires hard and careful work early on
- individual chambers do malfunction. discover them by appropriate direct comparisons of data and MC 200
- good run lists require control of detector performance. can be a long job
 need to devise good procedure to track any time dependence that may arise





Efficiency

- several components
 - trigger
 - reconstruction
 - identification
 - isolation

watch out for correlations

- measure directly from data for accuracy - otherwise you won't get it right.
- use tagged source of muons: $Z \to \mu^+ \mu^-$
- uncertainties decrease as Z sample increases (They are mainly statistical.)
- We achieve $\delta \epsilon \sim 1\%$ for 72pb^{-1}





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Backgrounds There are three categories for this measurement:

- 1. electroweak backgrounds
 - ex: $Z \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ in the $W \to \mu \nu$ channel
 - can be reliably calculated using simulations
 - di-boson production and $t\bar{t}$ quite small
- 2. multi-jet 'QCD' backgrounds.
 - muons not from weak bosons $(B \to D\mu\nu \text{ and } K^+ \to \mu^+\nu)$
 - hadrons that look like muons ('punch-through' and 'sail-through')
 - cross section huge, so eventually anything can happen...
 - these events are on the tails of tails cannot be simulated reliably
- 3. cosmic rays
 - huge raw rate at present luminosities
 - vast majority easily eliminated by demanding small impact parameters with respect to beam line (and proximity to event vertex)
 - employ timing capabilities of the COT to identify muon tracks which enter the chamber from outside (other timing devices available)
 - We have successfully eliminated cosmic rays the challenge was to estimate how small they are in our sample!

QCD BG

- Try to use 'isolation' (relative energy in a cone around the muon) and E_T to define control regions.
- Assume these two quantities are uncorrelated for a given source.
- Important to correct for the *signal* which falls in the control regions.
- Estimated QCD contamination varies as we vary the boundaries of the control regions → BAD! (This is tracked by the simulation.)
- We assign a large uncertainty (~ 25%) corresponding to this variation.



• CR muons do not show the usual characteristics of reconstructed tracks because they typically are out-of-time (& out-of-place).

We can exploit this to remove them.

But what are the characteristics of the events which remain? In which ways are they 'biased' w.r.t the regular cosmic ray muons?

This makes it difficult to use real data measure the efficiency of this set of analysis cuts for cosmic rays.



Cosmic Ray BG

- useful handles:
 - presence of muon stubs opposite the reconstructed track
 - the back-to-back nature of cosmic rays
 - the unique impact parameter distribution
- in the end, very small contamination with a large uncertainty

Momentum Scale & Resolution

- enters as part of the (kinematic) acceptance
- tune the simulation to match the data (scale factor 0.997, no additional smearing)

• not especially crucial for this analysis $\delta A_W = 0.21\%$ and $\delta A_Z = 0.05\%$



Results

Putting all this and many other things together, we measure $(\mathcal{L} = 72.0 \text{pb}^{-1})$:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma \cdot Br(p\bar{p} \to W \to \mu\nu) &= 2772 \pm 16_{(\text{stat})} \stackrel{+64}{_{-60}}_{(\text{syst})} \pm 166_{(\text{lum})} \text{ pb} \\ \sigma \cdot Br(p\bar{p} \to W \to e\nu) &= 2782 \pm 14_{(\text{stat})} \stackrel{+61}{_{-56}}_{(\text{syst})} \pm 167_{(\text{lum})} \text{ pb} \\ \sigma \cdot Br(p\bar{p} \to W \to \ell\nu) &= 2777 \pm 10_{(\text{stat})} \pm 52_{(\text{syst})} \pm 167_{(\text{lum})} \text{ pb} \end{aligned}$$

For the mass range 66 ${\rm GeV} < M_{\ell^+\ell^-} < 106~{\rm GeV},$

$$\sigma \cdot Br(p\bar{p} \to \gamma^*/Z \to \mu\nu) = 248.9 \pm 5.9_{(\text{stat})} \stackrel{+7.0}{_{-6.2}}_{-6.2} \stackrel{}{_{(\text{syst})}} \pm 14.9_{(\text{lum})} \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma \cdot Br(p\bar{p} \to \gamma^*/Z \to e\nu) = 255.2 \pm 3.9_{(\text{stat})} \stackrel{+5.5}{_{-5.4}}_{-5.4} \stackrel{}{_{(\text{syst})}} \pm 15.3_{(\text{lum})} \text{ pb}$$

 $\sigma \cdot Br(p\bar{p} \to \gamma^*/Z \to \ell\nu) = 254.3 \pm 3.3_{(\text{stat})} \pm 4.3_{(\text{syst})} \pm 15.3_{(\text{lum})} \text{ pb}$

The precision is 2%, aside from a 6% luminosity uncertainty.

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(These results will be released soon...)

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One can extract W properties from the ratio of cross sections:

$$R = \frac{\sigma \cdot Br(p\bar{p} \to W \to \ell\nu)}{\sigma \cdot Br(p\bar{p} \to Z \to \ell^+\ell^-)} = \frac{\sigma(p\bar{p} \to W)}{\sigma(p\bar{p} \to Z)} \times \frac{\Gamma_Z}{\Gamma_Z(\ell^+\ell^-)} \times \frac{\Gamma_W(\ell\nu)}{\Gamma_W}$$

- We correct the $\ell^+\ell^-$ cross sections for γ^* exchange.
- We combined the individual R measurements rather than taking the ratio of combined cross sections.

$$R_{\mu} = 11.10 \pm 0.27_{(\text{stat})} \pm 0.17_{(\text{syst})}$$
$$R_{e} = 10.86 \pm 0.18_{(\text{stat})} \pm 0.16_{(\text{syst})}$$
$$R = 10.94 \pm 0.15_{(\text{stat})} \pm 0.13_{(\text{syst})}$$

The combined ratio is precise to 1.8% independent of the luminosity.

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W leptonic branching ratio:

use the ratio of cross sections and $Br(Z \to \ell^+ \ell^-)$:

 $Br(W \to \ell \nu) = 0.1093 \pm 0.0021$

W Width:

now use the SM value for the leptonic partial width:

 $\Gamma_W = 2071 \pm 40 \text{ MeV}$

CKM Matrix Element V_{cs} :

 Γ_W depends on a sum over two rows in the CKM matrix:

$$\Gamma_W = 3\Gamma_W^0 + 3\left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} + 1.409(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi})^2 - 12.77(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi})^3\right) \sum_{\text{[no top]}} |V_{qq'}|^2 \Gamma_W^0.$$

We use PDG values for all of these except V_{cs} , and then impose our measurement of Γ_W to constrain $V_{\rm cs}$

 $|V_{\rm cs}| = 0.962 \pm 0.030.$



Summary of Γ_W^{tot}

The new CDF measurement is slightly more precise than the combined Run I results.

Search for Z''s

- Look well above the SM $Z \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ peak. (Naturally, the analysis is very similar to the one just described.)
- Loosened some requirements to increase efficiency and acceptance.
- Here the emphasis will be on the backgrounds at high masses rather than on acceptances and efficiencies.
 - irreducible Drell-Yan background is well known
 - important to understand the shape of the QCD and CR backgrounds as a function of $M_{\mu\mu}$
 - use jet samples to study fakes
 - use dedicated CR runs (free from $p\bar{p}$ collisions!)



$M^{(\min)}_{\ell^+\ell^-}$	electrons		muons	
	expected	observed	expected	observed
150	n/a	n/a	55	58
200	70	71	21	18
250	27	30	9.5	9
300	11	14	5.2	6
350	4.6	8	3.2	1
400	2.0	2	2.3	1
450	0.9	0	1.8	1
500	n/a	n/a	1.2	1

The uncertainty on the total background estimate for, e.g., $M_{\ell^+\ell^-} > 300$ GeV, is about 40% in the electron channel, and 25% in the muon channel.

No obvious evidence for physics BSM.

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example limits & exclusions



Note: The Z' signals tend to be quite narrow, while the graviton signals are broad. In this sense they cover more possibilities than one might realize.

Top Quark Production

- muons are important for both the di-lepton and the lepton+jets channels
- now fake muons are more difficult the 'ISO' vs. 'MET' method won't work.
- Measure a 'fake rate' from jet samples.

dilepton channel

	Events per 193 pb^{-1} after all cuts					
Source	ee	$\mu\mu$	eμ	ll		
WW/WZ	0.15 ± 0.06	0.12 ± 0.05	0.22 ± 0.09	0.49 ± 0.21		
Drell-Yan	0.36 ± 0.28	0.07 ± 0.34	-	0.43 ± 0.44		
$Z \to \tau \tau$	0.09 ± 0.03	0.11 ± 0.03	0.22 ± 0.07	0.42 ± 0.13		
Fakes	0.30 ± 0.10	0.15 ± 0.05	0.62 ± 0.22	1.07 ± 0.35		
Total Background	0.9 ± 0.3	0.4 ± 0.4	1.1 ± 0.2	2.4 ± 0.7		
$t\bar{t}$ (σ = 6.7 pb)	1.9 ± 0.3	1.8 ± 0.3	4.5 ± 0.6	8.2 ± 1.1		
Total SM expectation	2.8 ± 0.4	2.3 ± 0.5	5.5 ± 0.7	10.6 ± 1.4		
Run II data	1	3	9	13		



Clear confirmation of the Run I results –

di-leptons:

lepton + jets:



$$\sigma(t\bar{t}) = 8.7^{+3.9}_{-2.6} \pm 1.5 \text{ pb}$$

 $\sigma(t\bar{t}) = 5.3^{+1.3}_{-1.1} \,{}^{+1.2}_{-0.7} \,\,\mathrm{pb}$

(Of course there are several other measurements...)

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 \star precision is already better

 \star a gorgeous tagged event!

We are working now to combine measurements

Heavy Flavors & Spectroscopy

- There are **many** measurements and searches done in the heavy flavor sector which rely on identified muons. I can only mention one or two.
- This is not the main reason why we build high energy colliders, but we should never pass up opportunities to do physics even if unplanned!
- Of course, triggers are completely different and there are new and more difficult reconstruction & identification issues.
 - $-\,$ stub-track matching is less sharp \rightarrow combinatorial issues
 - muons can range out \rightarrow acceptance vs. p_T
 - more sensitive to details of the magnetic field & material description
 - much larger backgrounds from fake muons at these lower p_T
 - etc.
- The decay $J/\psi \to \mu^+\mu^-$ plays the same benchmark role as does $Z \to \mu^+\mu^-$.



One can do many things with such a J/ψ sample...

for example, find the new particle $X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$.



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Conclusions from our experience from CDF muon-based analyses

- Detector, Software and Analysis are all intertwined, and any separation or categorization can lead to problems. (Phil and Ken made these same points – it must be true!)
- The proof of practically any analysis comes with the things that are difficult to simulate.

(This is not $e^+e^-!$)

• The CDF and DØ Collaborations are devising ever better techniques to handle nasty problems with backgrounds, efficiency measurements, and triggering. This is where the 'fun' is.

(This invention – and learning – will continue.)