Tevatron Questions

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Are we exhausting our phase space at the Tevatron?









Spin Correlations



Resonance Search



The cold water...X-Section



Selection not optimal for high energy resonances?



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

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_{fb} are hinting at something, this might be a good direction

But what else?





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Do we understand backgrounds or are they just contained?

Tagging Prediction

- Background dominated regions look awful!
- So what's wrong?
- Turns out that LO Monte Carlo under predicts the amount of W+jet events with heavy flavor





Correcting W + HF

- Effectively we measure the Heavy Flavor content in W+1 jet events
- Use a Neural Network trained on tracking/tag variables to distinguish bottom, charm and light flavor
- Simultaneously fit for bottom, charm, and light flavor fractions



- Compare to Monte Carlo to derive a correction factor and apply this to the W + jets prediction in the signal region
- Cross check technique across jet multiplicity





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

 Idea is to quantify the production of top anti-to pairs in association with a hard jet





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The W+HF problem





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