Measurement of top quark CKM elements at FCC-ee DPG 2025 April 1, 2025

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$|V_{ts}|$ introduction

Current measurements on $|V_{ts}|$

► PDG value: $|V_{ts}| = (41.5 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-3}$

- From $B_s^0 \overline{B_s^0}$ mixing, mediated via *t*-*W* box diagrams
- Assume no NP in the loop
- Dominated by theory uncertainty from lattice QCD
- Also keep $|V_{cb}|$ in mind
 - Inclusive $(42.2 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-3}$ vs exclusive $(39.8 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-3}$ (6% tension) •

Potential at e^+e^- colliders

- Model-independent direct measurement
- FCC-ee expects $2 \times 10^6 \times 2 \times |V_{ts}|^2 \sim 6400$ cases of $t \rightarrow Ws$
 - s-tagging is the core
 - Limited by statistical uncertainty



FCC project

New infrastructure

- 90.7 km tunnel
- 8 surface points
- 4 experimental sites
- Deepest shaft 400 m, average 240 m

Two stages

- FCC-ee (~15 years)
- FCC-hh (>20 years)





FCC-ee program





jet clustering

Crucial ingredient of this analysis

- Correctly categorize dileptonic, semi-leptonic, fully hadronic $t\bar{t}$ decays
- Well-defined jets for flavor tagging

Two types considered

- Exclusive clustering (fixed number of jets in events)
 - subjet distance $d_{ii} = 2\min(E_i^2, E_i^2)(1 \cos\theta_{ii})$
- Inclusive clustering (roughly fixed cone size)
 - subjet distance $d_{ij} = \min(E_i^{2p}, E_j^{2p}) \frac{1 \cos\theta_{ij}}{1 \cos R}$
 - merge *i*, *j* until $\forall d_{ij} > E_i^{2p}$

Inclusive jet with R=0.5 as nominal choice in this work

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Strange jet tagging



- - $c\tau(b/c) \approx 0.5 \text{ mm}, c\tau(s) \approx 50 \text{ mm}$
 - Depends on reco efficiency of highly displaced vertices

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s-baryons Λ, Σ, Ξ have $c\tau \approx 1 - 10$ cm





Strange tagging at FCC-ee



- Most improvement from dN/dx
- With nominal design (dN/dx, $\sigma(TOF) = 30$ ps) already close to perfect PID
- Limited natural separation between s and ud

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,		Eff (s)	Mistag (g)	Mistag (ud)	Mistag (c)	Mis
	Loose	90%	20%	40%	10%	
	Medium	80%	9%	20%	6%	(



Samples and selection

Samples

- Signal: all decay modes of $t\bar{t} \rightarrow WbWs$
- Backgrounds: $t\bar{t} \rightarrow WbWb$, Z, WW, ZZ, Higgs, WWZ

Event selection

- Require exactly 1 s-tagged jet and 1 b-tagged jet
- Further divide into 6 categories based on number of objects: e, μ , and tagged jets
 - **1** dileptonic category
 - 2 semileptonic categories: $W \rightarrow ud$ and $W \rightarrow cs$
 - **3 fully hadronic categories:** $WW \rightarrow udud$, $WW \rightarrow udcs$, $WW \rightarrow cscs$

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e/μ selection • $p_{\ell} > 20 \, \text{GeV}$ $Iso_{R<0.5} < 0.25$

jet selection

- ee_gen_kt R=0.5
- $E_I > 15 \text{ GeV}$
- $m_I < 50 \, {\rm GeV}$
- *τ*-score < 0.5
- flavor tag if score > 0.5



DNN training

- Fully connected 3 hidden layers (#inputs $-> 2^*$ #inputs $-> 4^*$ #inputs -> 8 -> 1)
- For tt processes (sig and bkg), independent events for training, testing, and statistical analysis • For other bkgs, training and testing events are also used for analysis.
- DNN performance consistent with previous analysis, but more reliable



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Results

- Binned likelihood fit on DNN output with Asimov dataset
- Only take categories without taus. -> Not affected by bkg issue
- Consider 1% bkg norm uncertainty to be the nominal case
- 6.3% relative uncertainty on $\mathscr{B}(t \to Ws)$

Fit config	Free bkg	bkg $\pm 20\%$	bkg $\pm 5\%$	bkg $\pm 2\%$	bkg $\pm 1\%$
category					
$dilep_0tau$	14.5%	12.4%	12.0%	11.9%	11.8%
$semilep_0tau_ud$	13.2%	10.8%	10.2%	9.9%	9.7%
$semilep_0tau_cs$	30.3%	18.9%	18.3%	17.8%	17.7%
dihad_ud_only	25.4%	20.2%	19.8%	19.1%	18.6%
$dihad_udcs$	32.4%	26.0%	25.6%	24.7%	24.1%
$dihad_cs_only$	108%	83.1%	78.4%	76.5%	76.2%
combined	6.8%	6.6%	6.5%	6.4%	6.3%

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Conclusions and outlook

Measurement of $\mathscr{B}(t \rightarrow Ws)$ at 365 GeV

- First opportunity for model-independent measurement of $|V_{ts}|$
- Nominal precision $\sigma(t \rightarrow Ws) = 6.3\%$, $\sigma(|V_{ts}|) = 3.1\%$

Outlook

- Simultaneous measurement of $\mathscr{B}(t \to Ws)$ and $\mathscr{B}(t \to Wb)$
- Benchmark for jet clustering and flavor tagging performance
- Rich discussion in pheno interpretation

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Backups

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Sample considered

Sig: SM t -> Ws decay

- wzp6_ee_SM_tt_tWsTWb_tlepTall_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_SM_tt_tWsTWb_tlightTall_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_SM_tt_tWsTWb_theavyTall_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_SM_tt_tWbTWs_tallTlep_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_SM_tt_tWbTWs_tallTlight_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_SM_tt_tWbTWs_tallTheavy_ecm365

Bkg: SM t -> Wb samples

- wzp6_ee_SM_tt_tlepTlep_noCKMmix_keepPolInfo_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_SM_tt_thadThad_noCKMmix_keepPolInfo_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_SM_tt_tlepThad_noCKMmix_keepPolInfo_ecm365
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Bkg: other SM processes

- p8_ee_WW_ecm365
- Ζ
- p8_ee_Zbb_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_tautau_ecm365
 ZZ
- p8_ee_ZZ_ecm365

Higgs

- wzp6_ee_bbH_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_ccH_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_ssH_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_qqH_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_tautauH_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_mumuH_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_eeH_ecm365
- wzp6_ee_nunuH_ecm365
 WWZ
- wzp6_ee_WWZ_Zbb_ecm365

Signal efficiency

- x axis: truth of decay
- y axis: reco selection category
- Each cell shows fraction per column (truth), reflecting acceptance and reconstruction efficiency
- Last column is the fraction of diagonal yield wrt its row. I.e. the accuracy of reco categories.

Full yield table and discussion in backup

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unselected	42.4%	61.3%	74.4%	50.3%	53.9%	57.2%	68.8%	71.1%	73.3%	54.0%	54.3%	57.4%	57.7
dilep_Otau	54.0%	7.0%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%			0.0%					
dilep_1tau	3.1%	29.7%	7.6%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%				
dilep_2tau	0.0%	0.8%	15.9%	0.0%	0.0%		0.1%	0.0%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
semilep_Otau_ud	0.4%	0.6%	0.1%	40.7%	9.5%	7.6%	5.3%	1.2%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
semilep_Otau_cs	0.1%	0.4%	0.1%	6.8%	34.7%	33.6%	0.9%	4.5%	4.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
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dihad_ud_only	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.1%	0.1%	1.2%	0.4%	0.1%	36.2%	8.7%	2.7%	4.7%
dihad_udcs	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.4%	0.4%	1.2%	1.3%	0.5%	8.4%	31.1%	14.3%	22.2
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Confusion matrix





Signal efficiency

x axis: truth of decay

y axis: reco selection category

- Each cell shows fraction per column (truth), reflecting acceptance and reconstruction efficiency
 - ϵ (2 leptons) = 75%, ϵ (2 jets) = 71%
 - $\epsilon(\tau_h) \sim 50\%$

Full yield table and discussion in backup

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Confusion matrix



Signal efficiency

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- Last column is the fraction of diagonal yield wrt its row. I.e. the accuracy of reco categories.
 - Selected events match the target decay modes well

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