

# W boson and Top quark mass measurement

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#### **EWSB role in Vector Bosons masses**



### Tree level mass of the W

From Fermi 4 fermion contact theory to standard model:



#### **Motivation for W mass measurement**

Standard model prediction for Z mass:

$$m_{W} = \left(\frac{\pi \alpha_{EM}}{\sqrt{2} G_{F}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{\sin(\theta_{W}) \sqrt{1 - \Delta r}}$$

- In the SM prediction appear:
  - The Fermi Constant G<sub>F</sub>
  - The weak mixing angle sin(θ<sub>w</sub>)
  - Beyond tree-level corrections Δr radiative corrections

$$\Delta r = \Delta \alpha \oplus \Delta r \ (top) \oplus \Delta r (H)$$

$$\Delta M_{W} \propto \Delta r(top) \propto m_{top}^{2}$$
$$\Delta M_{W} \propto \Delta r(H) \propto \ln \left(\frac{M_{H}}{M_{Z}}\right)$$



Sensitivity to top, higgs physics (Improvement in EW global fit) + new physics

### W boson production X-section

• W production at hadron colliders has the following LO elementary matrix element:



$$-i M_{fi}(q \overline{q}' \to W \to f \overline{f}') = -i \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} V_{q \overline{q'}} \left( \overline{q} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) q' \right) \underbrace{\frac{W \text{ propagator}}{-i g_{\mu \nu}}}_{V-A \text{ quark current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f} \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma^5) f' \right)}_{V-A \text{ fermion current}} \underbrace{\frac{-i g}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \overline{f}$$

with s' energy in the qq' center of mass (NOT LAB System):
 differential cross section in that system is:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos(\theta^{*})} = \frac{1}{32\pi s'} \overline{|M_{ff}|^{2}} = \frac{|V_{q\bar{q}'}|^{2}}{8\pi} \left(\frac{G_{F}M_{W}^{2}}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^{2} \frac{s'(1-\cos(\theta^{*}))^{2}}{(s'-M_{W}^{2})^{2}+(M_{W}\Gamma_{W})^{2}}$$

and in the narrow resonance approximation: ( $\Gamma_w << M_w$ ) the total cross section is:

$$\sigma(q \overline{q'} \rightarrow W + X) = |V_{qq'}| 2 \frac{\pi \cdot G_F M_W^2}{\sqrt{2}} \delta(s' - M_W^2)$$

Not the end of the story, PDF's still to be taken into account!

### W production cross section



Cross-section for the process 
$$p p \rightarrow WX$$
, should be written n terms of **parton distribution functions**

$$d\sigma(p\overline{p} \to W + X) = dx_1 dx_2 \frac{1}{N_c} \sum_{qq'} \left[ q(x_1) \overline{q'}(x_2) \right] \sigma(q\overline{q'} \to W; s')$$

$$= dx_{1} dx_{2} \frac{2 \pi G_{F} M_{W}^{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{N_{C}} \sum_{q \bar{q}'} |V_{q \bar{q}'}|^{2} [q(x_{1}) \overline{q(x_{2})}] \delta(s' - M_{W}^{2})$$

with  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  fraction of momentum carried by the partons involved in the scattering:

• One can write the differential cross-section for the process  $p p \rightarrow WX$  in terms of the W rapidity which is correlated to  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ :

$$y_{W} = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{E_{W} + \rho_{WZ}}{E_{W} - \rho_{ZW}} = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{x_{1}}{x_{2}} \Leftrightarrow x_{1,2} = \frac{M_{W}^{2}}{\sqrt{s}} e^{\pm y_{W}} \qquad \left( x_{1} x_{2} = \frac{s'}{s} = \frac{M_{W}^{2}}{s} \right)^{2}$$

So that:

$$\frac{d\sigma(p\overline{p} \to W + X)}{dy_{W}} = \frac{2\pi G_{F}}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{N_{C}} \sum_{q\overline{q}'} x_{1} x_{2} \left[q(x_{1})\overline{q(x_{2})}\right]$$

Now one should parametrize  $q(x_1)$  and  $q(x_2)$  with the known (from other experiments) PDFs of proton and antiproton

### W production cross section

In a proton antiproton interaction the relevant pdf are the ones for u,d,s quarks, coming either from the proton or the anitproton:

$$\frac{d\sigma(p\overline{p}\rightarrow W+X)}{dy_{W}} = \frac{2\pi G_{F}}{N_{c}\sqrt{2}} x_{1}x_{2} \left[\cos^{2}\theta_{C}\left(u(x_{1})\overline{d(x_{2})}+d(x_{1})\overline{u(x_{2})}\right)+\sin^{2}\theta_{C}\left(u(x_{1})\overline{s(x_{2})}+s(x_{1})\overline{u(x_{2})}\right)\right]$$

Assuming xq(x) barely constant over integration variable y<sub>w</sub> we get the total cross-section:

$$\sigma(p\overline{p} \to W + X) \simeq \frac{2\pi G_F}{N_C \sqrt{2}} \int_{-\ln(\sqrt{s}/M_W^2)}^{+\ln\sqrt{s}/M_W^2} dY_W \sum_{q\overline{q}} q(x_1)q(x_2)$$

So that:

$$\sigma(p\,\overline{p}\to W+X)\simeq \frac{2\,\pi\,G_F}{N_C\sqrt{2}}\ln\frac{s}{M_W^2}$$

The total cross section for W production at the proton anti-proton collider is increasing logarithmically in the proton anti-pron center of mass energy because of the PDFs

### W production at hadron colliders

W decay at pp colliders is searched via the golden mode (leptonic):

$$p \ \bar{p} \rightarrow W^{\pm} + X_{had} \rightarrow I^{\pm} v_{I} + X_{had}$$

$$p \ \bar{q} \rightarrow W^{\pm} + X_{had} \rightarrow I^{\pm} v_{I} + X_{had}$$

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$$M^{2}_{W} = E^{2}_{I} + E^{2}_{V} + 2E_{I}E_{V} - |\vec{p}_{I}|^{2} - |\vec{p}_{V}|^{2} - 2\vec{p}_{I} \cdot \vec{p}_{V}$$

$$= m^{2}_{I} + m^{2}_{V} + 2E_{I}E_{V} - 2\vec{p}_{I} \cdot \vec{p}_{V} \approx 2E_{I}E_{V} (1 - \cos(\Delta \theta_{IV}))$$

In the transverse  $(r\phi)$  plane:

$$M_W^{T} \simeq \sqrt{E_I^{T} E_v^{T} (1 - \cos(\Delta \phi_{Iv}))}$$

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### W mass measurement kinematics

The lepton prduced by the W decay has in the qq' center of mass fram, transverse momentum:

$$p_t^e \simeq \frac{M_W}{2} \sin \theta$$



Cross-section can be written in terms of the  $p_{\tau}$  of the lepton:

#### Term giving rise to the jacobian peak

It's convenient to re-express the differential cross section in terms of a the transverse mass of the W:

This is the quantity measured at the hadron collider

### W Boson signature



Experimentally in a detector the W decay is seen as:

• A high  $p_{T}$  lepton (either a muon or an electron) coming from primary vertex

 A high missing energy in the transverse plane (meaning a neutrino escaping the detector)

Some activity in the hadron calorimeter, due the recoiling hadronic mass from the primary scattering

The transverse missing energy due to energymomentum conservation can be written as:

 $MET = -E'_T - \sum_{i \in HAD} E_{T,i} = -E'_T - u$ 

### Measurement strategy



 Calibrate recoil measurement with Z decays into e,µ

Cross-check with W recoil distributions
Combine information into transverse mass:

$$m_T^W = \sqrt{E_T MET \cdot (1 - \cos(\Delta \phi))}$$

Calibrate /<sup>±</sup> track momentum with mass measurements of J/Ψ and Y decays into μ
Calibrate calorimeter energy using track momentum of *e* from W decays
Cross check with Z mass measurement, then add Z's as a calibration point



### **Measurement strategy**



#### Calibrations



#### Results



CDF II	ſ	Ldt≈ 2	200 pb <sup>-1</sup>
m <sub>T</sub> Uncertainty [MeV]	Electrons	Muons	Common
Lepton Scale	30	17	17
Lepton Resolution	9	3	0
Recoil Scale	9	9	9
<b>Recoil Resolution</b>	7	7	7
u <sub>II</sub> Efficiency	3	1	0
Lepton Removal	8	5	5
Backgrounds	8	9	0
$p_{T}(W)$	3	3	3
PDF	11	11	11
QED	11	12	11
Total Systematic	39	27	26
Statistical	48	54	0
Total	62	60	26

Background contributions:
simulated using MC W EWK backgrounds (Z, τ decays)



# **Quark Top**

 All top quark properties (except its mass) are fixed in the Standard model:

Family	3
Charge	+2/3 e
Spin	1⁄2
Isospin	1⁄2

- just another Isospin + ½ quark (up tipe quark)
- In addiction Standard Model predicts:  $|V_{tb}| \sim 1$  so top has a dominant decay  $t \rightarrow W b$

$$L_{t\to Wb} = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_{\mu} V_{tb} \overline{b} \gamma^{\mu} \left(\frac{1-\gamma^5}{2}\right) t + h.c.$$

 Most of the interest in quark top comes from the potential to find non standard effects

Is the Yukawa coupling G<sub>top</sub> to Higgs field a hint?

$$L_{mass}^{top} = -\frac{G_{top} v}{\sqrt{2}} (\overline{t_L} t_R + \overline{t_R} t_L)$$





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### **Top quark production / backgrounds**

Production mechanisms of top pairs at the hadron collider:  $q \overline{q} \rightarrow t \overline{t}$   $g g \rightarrow t \overline{t}$ 



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### **Top quark decay**

Top quark decays weakly ~ 100% into a b quark and a W boson, since the CKM matrix element  $V_{tb}$  is ~ 1. Matrix element of the process is:



So neglecting b quark mass we get:

• Using gauge invariance:

 $\sum_{\lambda} \boldsymbol{e}_{\mu}^{W}(\lambda) \boldsymbol{e}_{\nu}^{W*}(\lambda) = -\boldsymbol{g}_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\boldsymbol{p}_{\mu}^{W} \boldsymbol{p}_{\nu}^{W}}{\boldsymbol{M}_{\mu\nu}^{2}}$ 

possibility to study a bare quark decay

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{spin} |\boldsymbol{M}_{fi}|^{2} = \frac{g^{2}}{16} \left[ \sum_{\lambda=1}^{3} \boldsymbol{e}_{\mu}^{W}(\lambda) \boldsymbol{e}_{\nu}^{W*}(\lambda) \right] Tr \left[ \boldsymbol{p}_{b} \boldsymbol{\gamma}^{\mu} \boldsymbol{p}_{t} \boldsymbol{\gamma}^{\nu} \left( 1 - \boldsymbol{\gamma}^{5} \right) \right]$$

And going into top rest frame:

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$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{spin} |M_{fi}|^{2} = \frac{g^{2}}{4} \left( m_{t}^{2} - M_{w}^{2} \right) \frac{2M_{w}^{2} + m_{t}^{2}}{M_{w}^{2}} \quad \text{Introducing phase space:} \quad \Gamma = \frac{p^{*}}{8\pi M^{2}} |\overline{M_{fi}}|^{2}$$
So that:
$$\Gamma_{top} = \frac{g^{2}}{4\pi} \frac{\left(m_{t}^{2} - M_{w}^{2}\right) \left(m_{t}^{2} + 2M_{w}^{2}\right)}{16M_{w}^{2} m_{t}^{3}} \quad \text{Introducing phase space:} \quad \Gamma = \frac{p^{*}}{8\pi M^{2}} |\overline{M_{fi}}|^{2}$$
Top width is ~1.5 GeV, i.e. a large width Top quark decays weakly via t  $\rightarrow$  Wb before it can hadronize

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### Standard model top quark decay



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### Final state and event selection

Possible final states:

Mode	Br.(%)	
dilepton	5%	Clean but few signal. <b>Two v's</b> in final state.
lepton+jets	30%	One v in final state. Manageable bkgd.
all hadronic	44%	Large background.
τ + Χ	21%	τ-ID is challenging.

#### **Event signature and Selection:**



### **Challenges in top measurements**



Good *b*-tagging and jet energy scale and resolution and good algorithm to reconstruct  $M_{top}$ 

# **b-tagging**



- Cut variables:
  - impact parameter = distance of closest approach from primary vertex = d<sub>0</sub>
  - Decay length in transverse plane L
  - Invariant mass of the tracks coming out of secondary vertex

$$(\sum_{i}^{n_{tracks}} E_{i}^{2} - \sum_{i}^{n_{tracks}} p_{i}^{2}) = m_{b}^{2}$$

Number of tracks associated to the secondary vertex

- b-quark has a long life-time:  $<\tau >=1.67$  ps
  - for a 50 GeV jet this means it decays  $L = \beta \gamma c < \tau > \sim few mm$  far away from primary vertex
- This means one can tag the flavour of the jet.



## Jet Energy Scale

- Partons (quarks produced as a result of hard collision) realize themselves as jets seen by detectors
  - Due to strong interaction partons turn into parton jets
  - Each quark hardonizes into particles (mostly  $\pi$ 's and K's)
  - Energy of these particles is absorbed by calorimeter
  - Clustered into calorimeter jet using cone algorithm
- Jet energy is not exactly equal to parton energy
  - Particles can get out of cone
  - Some energy due to underlying event (and detector noise) can get added
  - Detector response has its resolution



#### **Top mass reconstruction methods**

#### **Template Method**

- Reconstruct event-by-event a kinematic quantity M<sub>top</sub> (*JES*).
- Describe dependence of M<sub>top</sub> distribution on true top mass m<sub>top</sub> using MC — Templates.
- Likelihood fit looks for m<sub>top</sub> that describes data M<sub>top</sub> distribution best (template fit).
- Pros:
  - less assumptions / robust measurement (takes care of detector resolution via Geant4 simulation)
  - simple algorithms
- Cons:
  - all events have the same weight

#### Matrix Element Method

- Calculate likelihood (probability) for m<sub>top</sub> in each event by Matrix Element calculation.
- Multiply the likelihood over the candidate events.
- m<sub>top</sub> determination by the joint likelihood maximum.
- Pros:
  - Better statistical power (event by event weighting)
- Cons:
  - needs long computing time and accurate modeling of theoretical input
  - less accurate resoultion parametrization

#### **Template – top mass reconstruction**



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### **Template Method**

#### **Comparison between:**

Distribution of reconstructed top mass M<sup>reco</sup> as extracted from data

Distribution of top mass m<sub>top</sub> from simulation (templates). Background too is simulated



• First extract event by event  $M^{\text{reco}}$  by means of a kinematical fit ( input measured quantities) minimizing a  $\chi^2$ :

$$\chi^2 = \chi^2(p_T^{leptons}, p_T^{jets}, E_T^{U.E.}, M_{jj}, M_{Iv})$$

• Then fit the reconstructed mass distribution with a template by means of a likelihood fit.

•The template which maximizes the likelihood  $L(M_{Top})$  gives  $M_{Top}$ 

### **Template method**

• Minimize  $\chi^2$  to reconstruct event-by-event top mass.



 2 jets from W decay / 2 b-jets. →1,2 jet-parton assignments.
 B-tagging helps reject wrong assignments besides reduces background.

- Subdivide candidate events into 0, 1, 2 tag.
- Choose assignment with smallest χ<sup>2</sup>.
- Only events with χ<sup>2</sup>< 9 are accepted

### Likelihood fit and calibration

 After having detemined on event by event basis the reconstructed mass of top minimizing χ<sup>2</sup> a likelihood fit is performed to fit the distribution of M<sup>reco</sup> with a template determined by Monte Carlo simulation



- The largest systematic uncertainty is the Jet Energy Scale. In order to minimize it from the kinematic variables is extracted m<sub>jj</sub> (invariant mass of the couple of jets coming out of a W) and then fitted by a m<sub>jj</sub> template
  - This distribution is constrained to peak at M<sub>w</sub> which is a very well known quantity, and miscalibration is parametrized via ΔJES

### **Template method results**



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### Matrix Element Method



## Matrix Element Method

Calculate likelihood as a function of m<sub>top</sub> according to Matrix Element for each event.



$$P_{s}(\boldsymbol{y} | \boldsymbol{M}_{top}) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \sum \int d^{n} \sigma(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{M}_{top}) d\boldsymbol{q}_{1} d\boldsymbol{q}_{2} f(\boldsymbol{q}_{1}) f(\boldsymbol{q}_{2}) W(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$$

• Transfer function: probability for a measured variable x to come from a parton level variable y (e.g. parton  $E_{\tau} \rightarrow jet E_{\tau}$ )

### **Matrix Element Method**

Probability densities for every event as a function of top mass m<sub>top</sub>
 Signal probability is built as:

$$P_{sig}(\mathbf{y}; \mathbf{M}_{top}, JES) = \underbrace{Acc(\mathbf{y})}_{Acceptance} \times \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sigma}}_{Trigger,...} \times \int \underbrace{\frac{d^n \sigma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{M}_{top})}{U^{O-matrix element}}}_{PDF's} \underbrace{\frac{dq_1 dq_2 f(q_1) f(q_2)}{PDF's}}_{PDF's} \underbrace{\frac{W(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, JES)}{Transfer function}}_{probability to measure \mathbf{y} given \mathbf{x}}$$

Event probability is calculated as:

$$\underbrace{P_{evt}(\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{M}_{top})}_{event \, probability} = \underbrace{P_{S}(\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{M}_{top})}_{event \, probability} \underbrace{P_{S}(\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{M}_{top})}_{weight} \underbrace{P_{s}}_{i=1} \underbrace{P_{bkg,i}(\mathbf{y}) p_{bkg,i}}_{bkg,i} = P_{S}(\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{M}_{top}) p_{s} + P_{bkg1}(\mathbf{y}) p_{bkg1} + P_{bkg2}(\mathbf{y}) p_{bkg2} + \dots$$

• Then fit top mass from a maximum likelihood fit:



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Matrix Element

### **Results for matrix element**



### **Top quark mass results**





- M<sub>TOP</sub>=172.7±1.2 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Stat uncertainty: 0.7GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Syst uncertainty: 1.0GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Top Yukawa coupling to Higgs boson:  $g_t = M_t \sqrt{2/v.e.v.} = 0.993 \pm 0.017$