



Review of Top Quark Physics

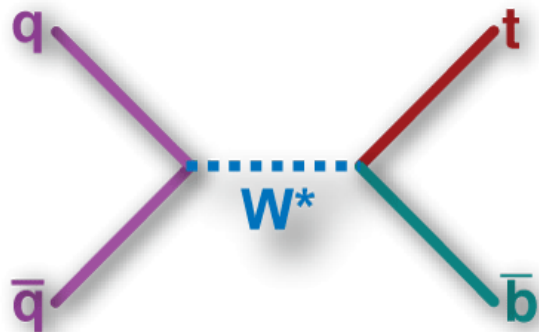
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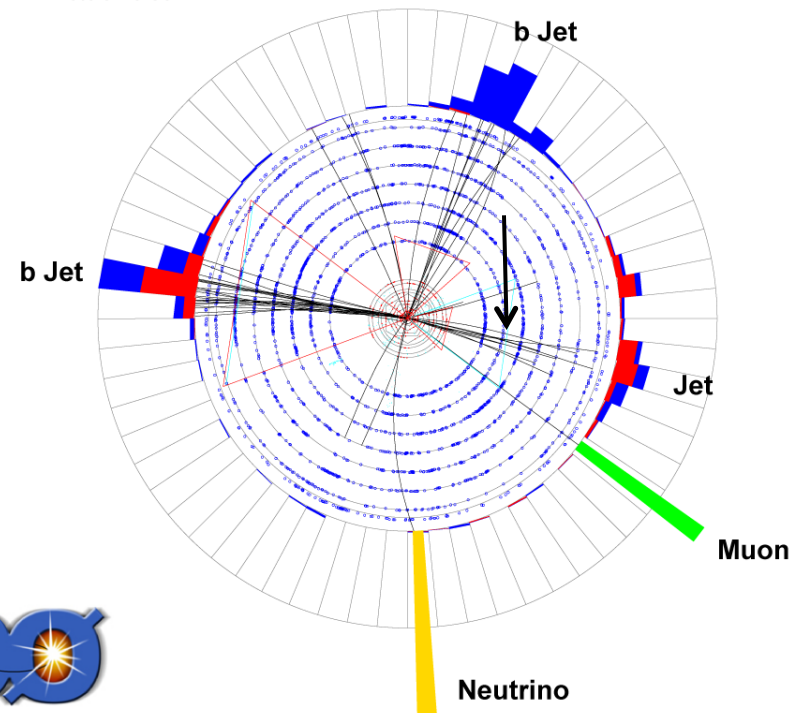
- 14 years later in 2009:
- Observed EWK production process: single top quark



DØ Experiment Event Display Single Top Quark Candidate Event, 2.3 fb^{-1} Analysis

Run 223473 Evt 27278544 Sun Jul 23 19:21:41 2006

ET scale: 28 GeV

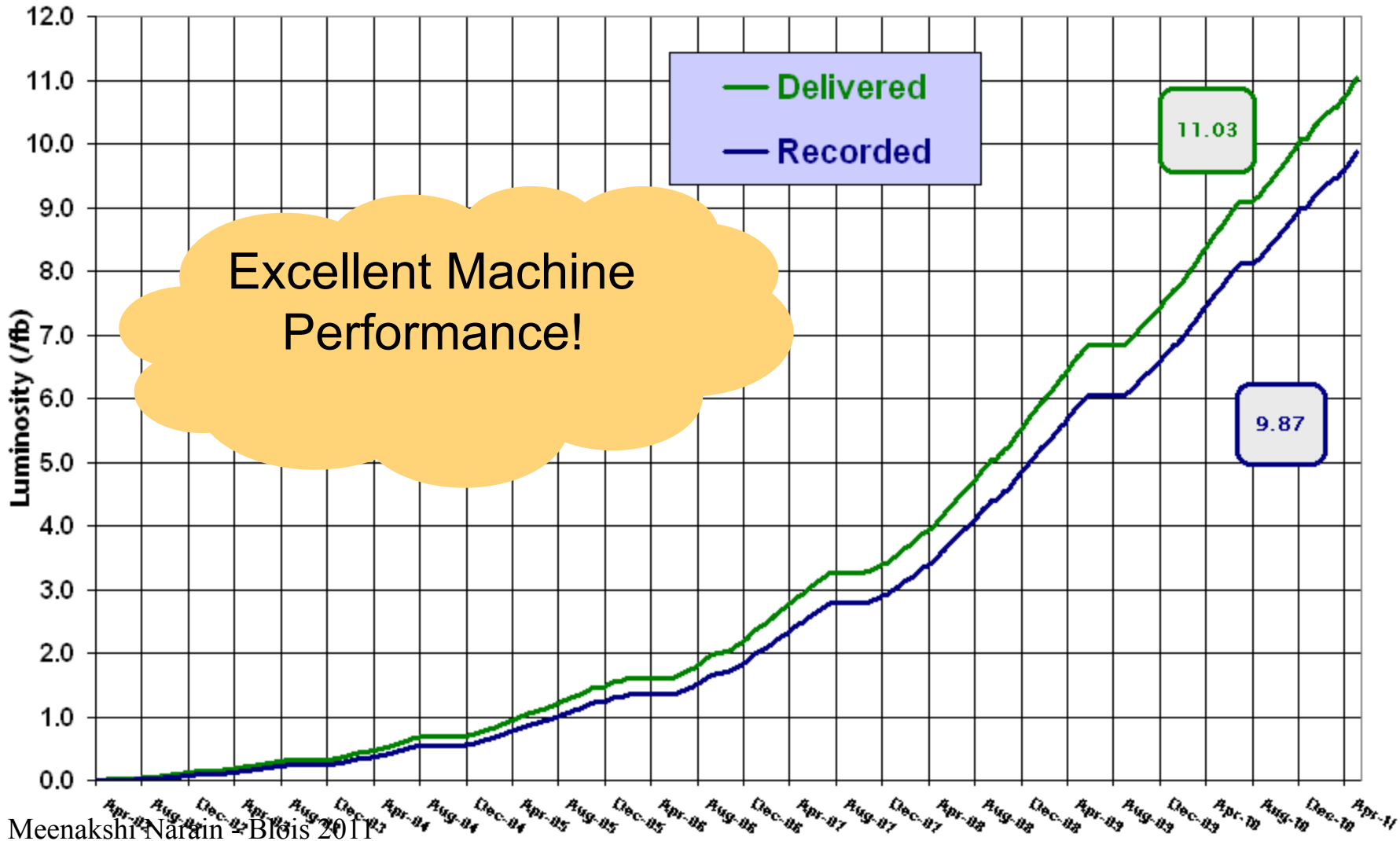


Tevatron



Run II Integrated Luminosity

19 April 2002 - 22 May 2011

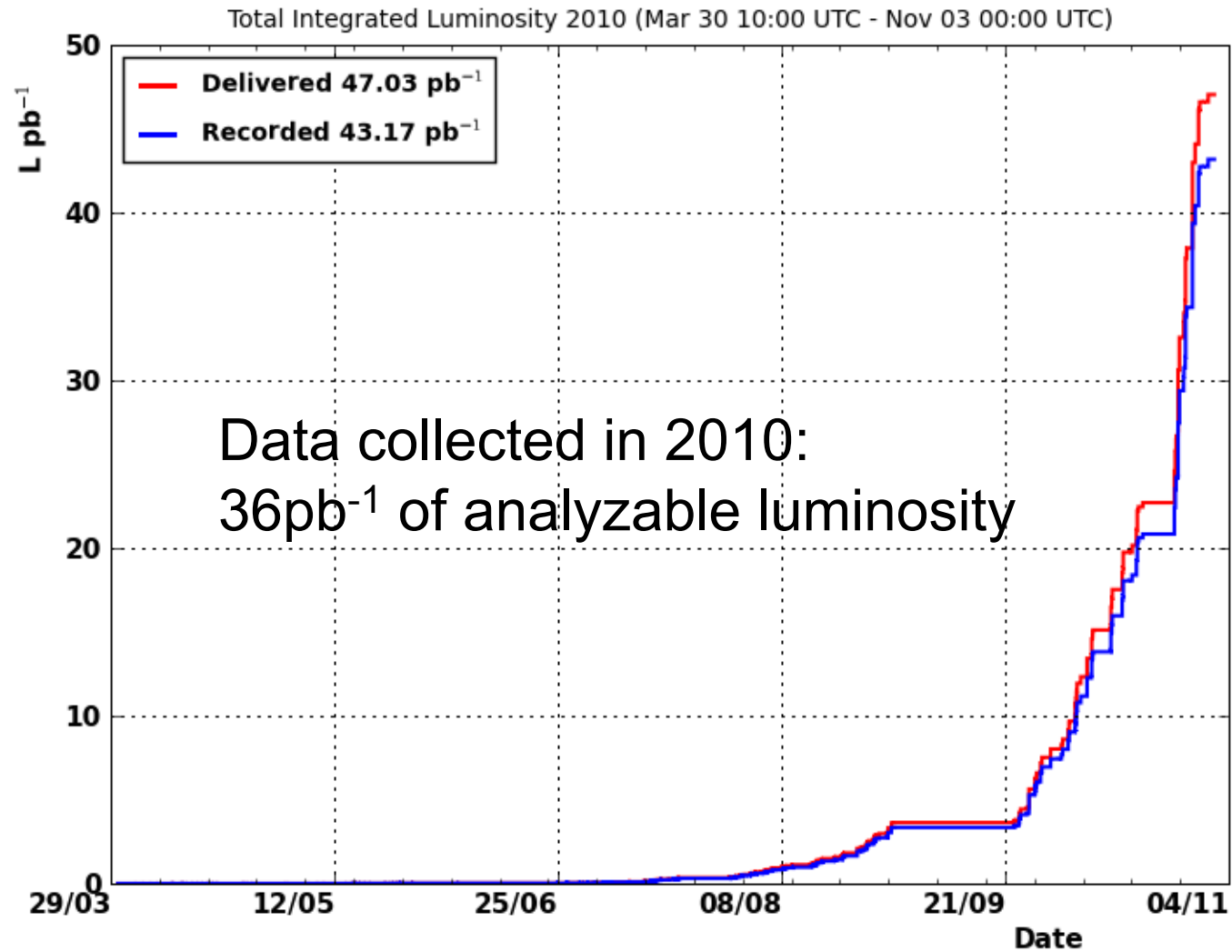


top at LHC!

- First collisions at $\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV in March 2010



LHC



outline

- strong production

- cross section
- branching fractions
- charge asymmetry

- mass

- couplings

- width

- charge

- decay

- couplings

- FCNC decays?

- new physics?

- tt resonances

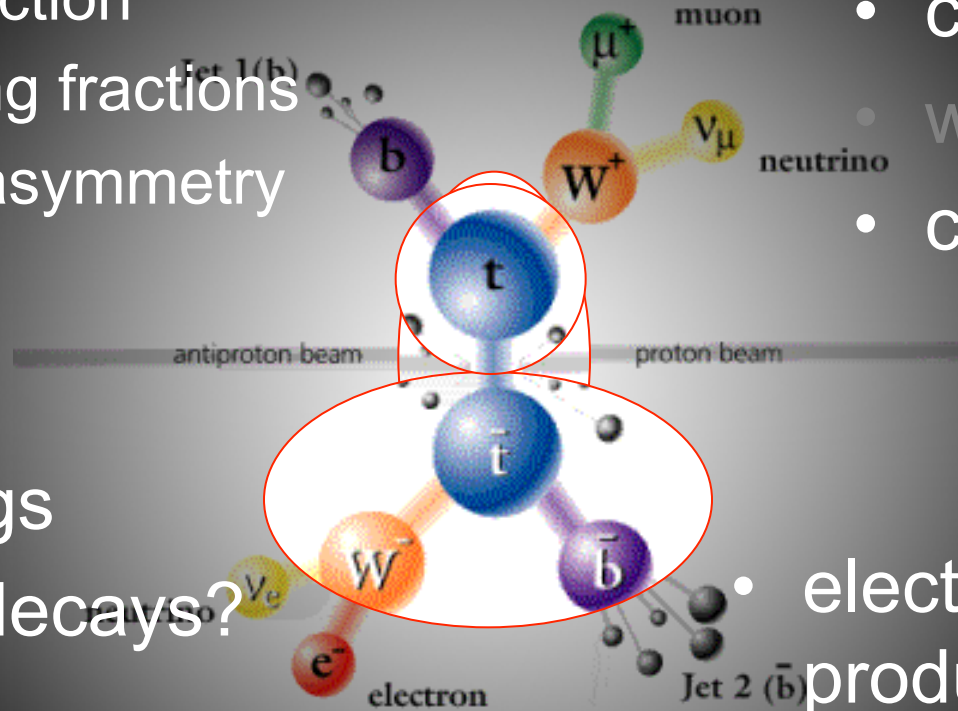
- process which mimic top (t')

- W' , H^+

- electroweak production

- single top quark

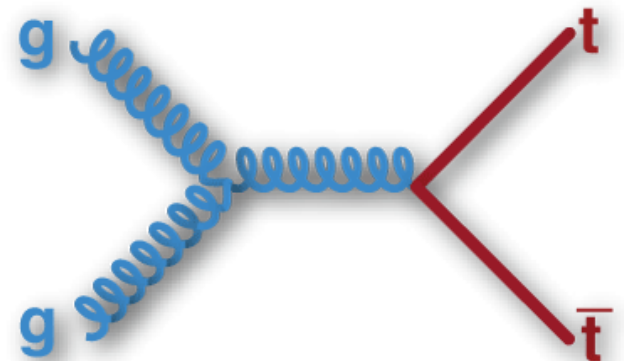
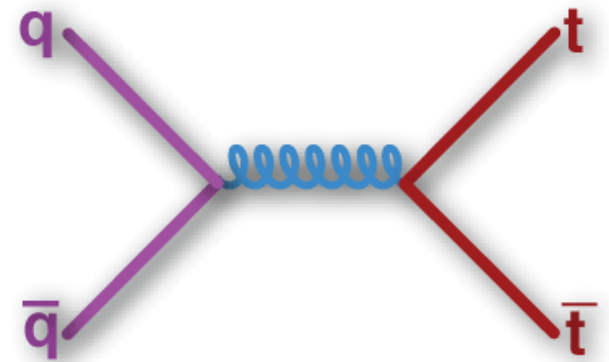
- $|V_{tb}|$



top anti-top production

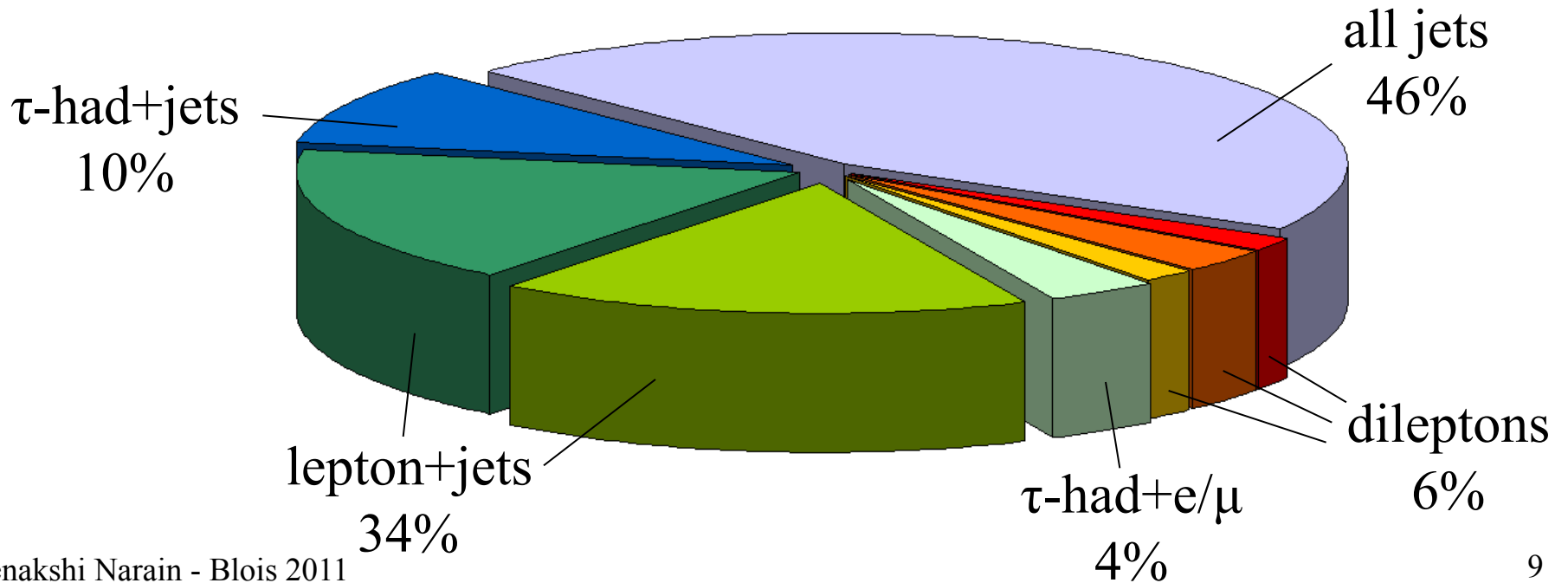
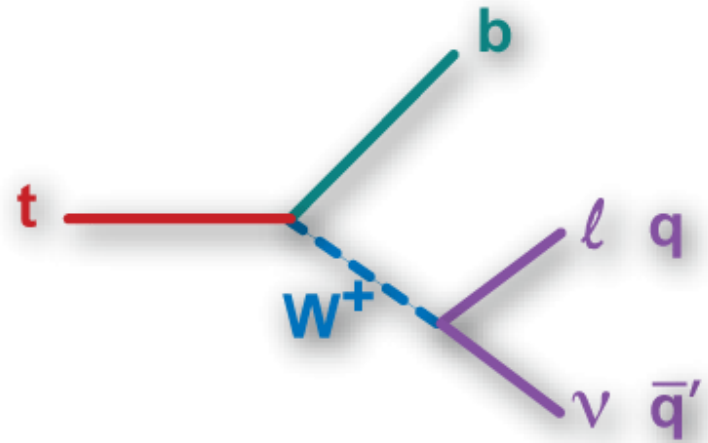
- strong interaction
 - top-antitop pairs
 - ($\sigma = 7.6 \pm 0.6$ pb) @Tevatron
 - predominantly from quark anti-quark annihilation (85%)

($\sigma = 164.6 \pm 15.7$ pb) @ LHC
predominantly from gluon fusion (87%)



standard model top decay

- $t \rightarrow Wb$ with $B \approx 100\%$
 - $W \rightarrow qq$ with $B \approx 67\%$
 - $W \rightarrow \ell\nu$ with $B \approx 11\%$
- final state signatures for top-antitop pairs

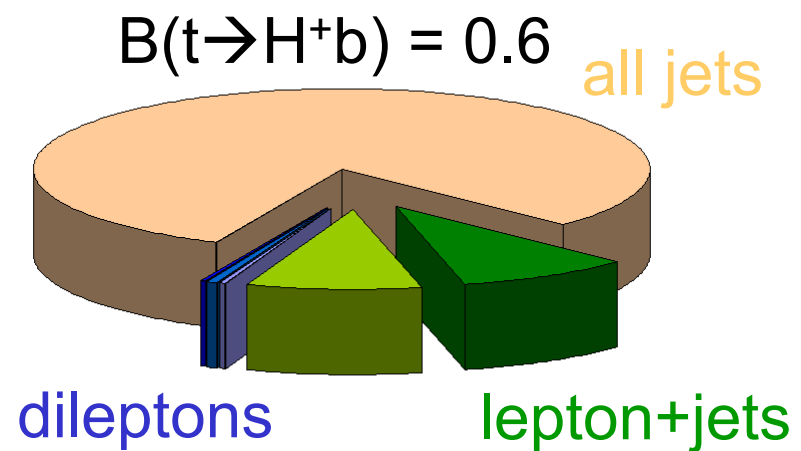
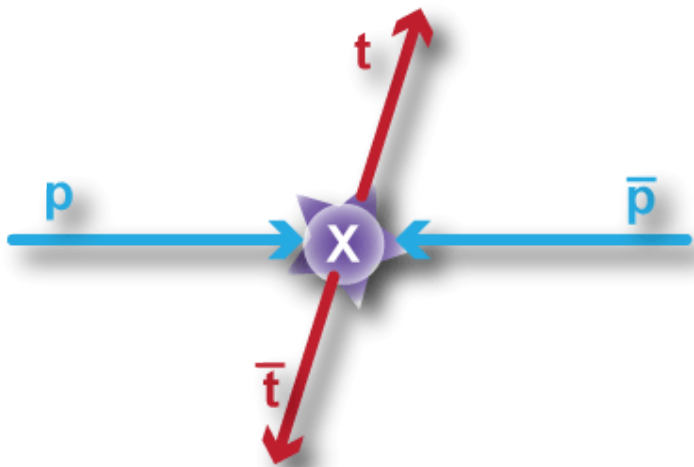


top production:

- Top pair production cross section
 - Forward-backward charge asymmetry
 - Electroweak production (single top)
 - New particles produce or mimic top
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- Boosted top production

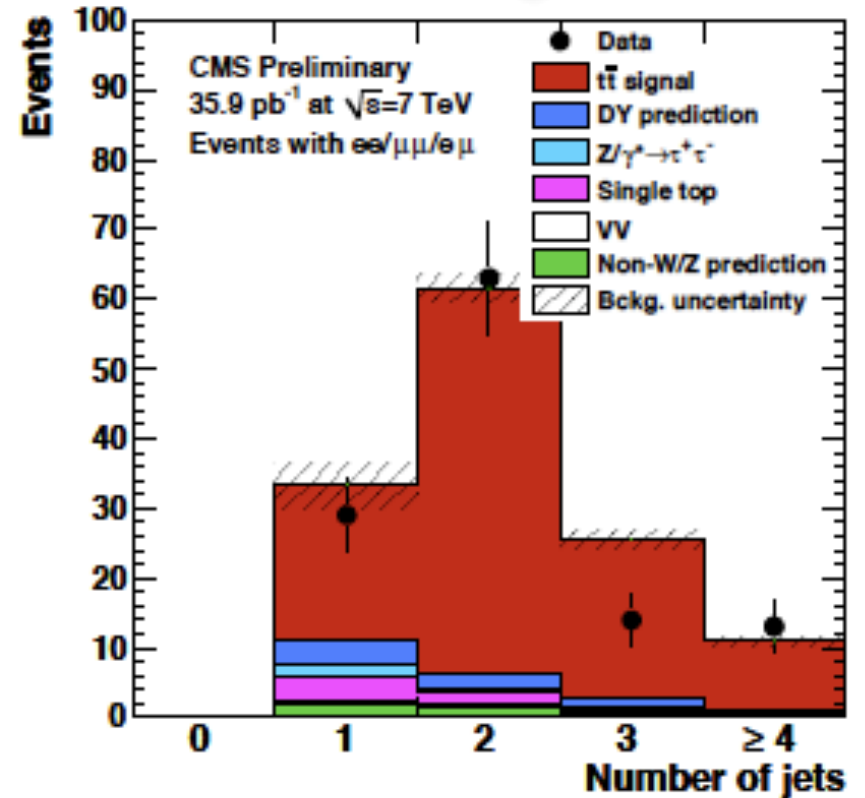
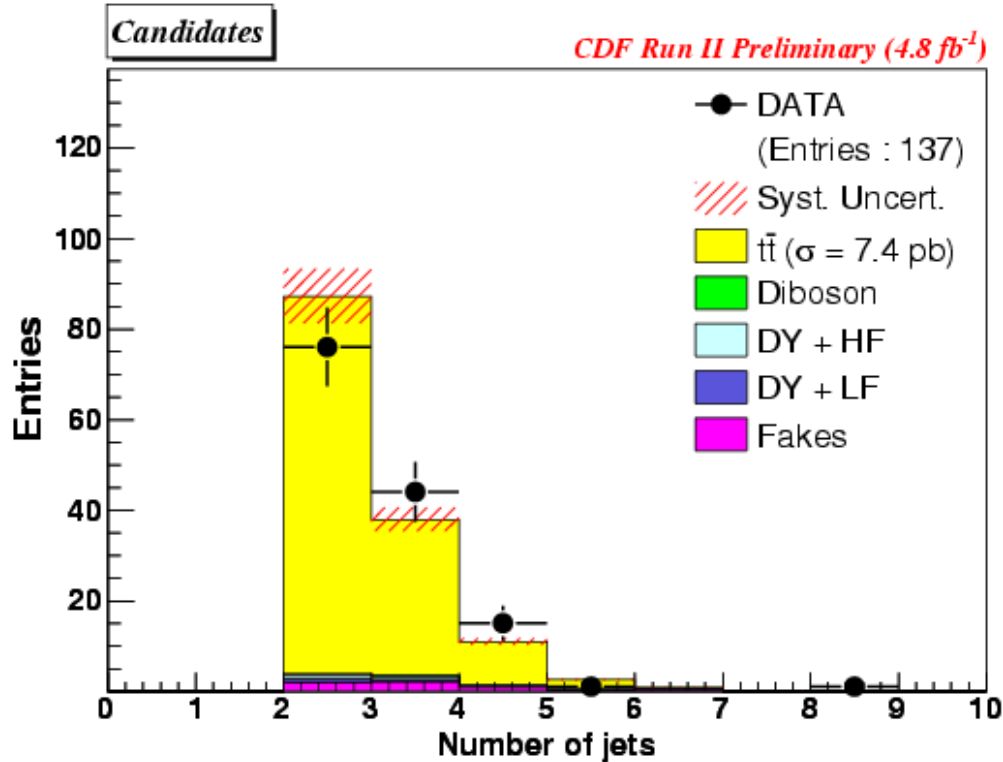
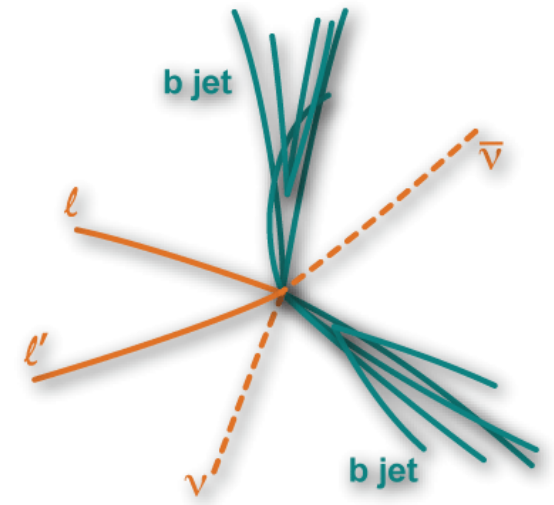
why measure the $t\bar{t}$ cross section?

- cross section analysis
 - top production follows QCD prediction:
 - consistency between channels
 - decay branching fractions
 - is top produced by heavy particles
 - are there non-standard decays?



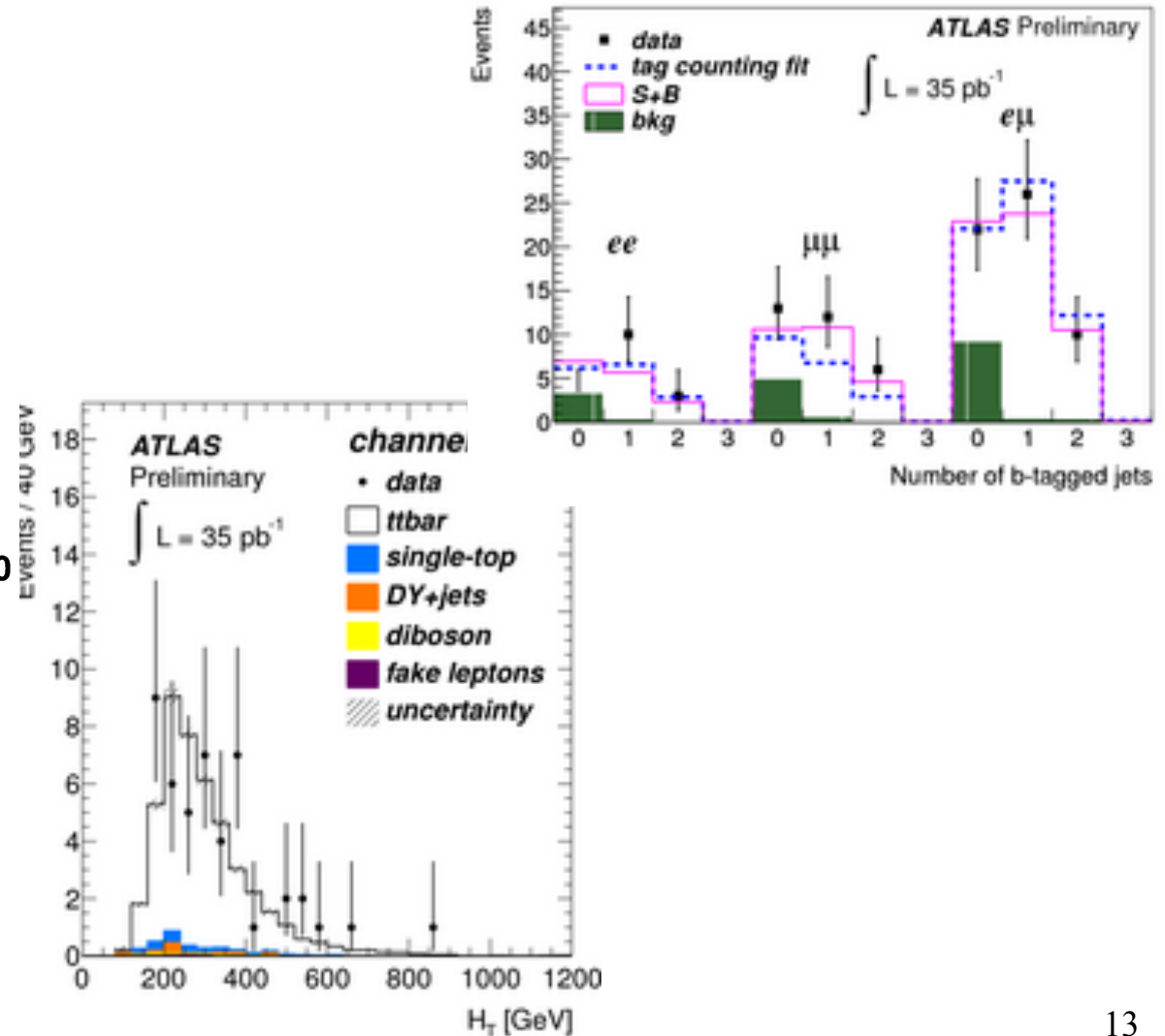
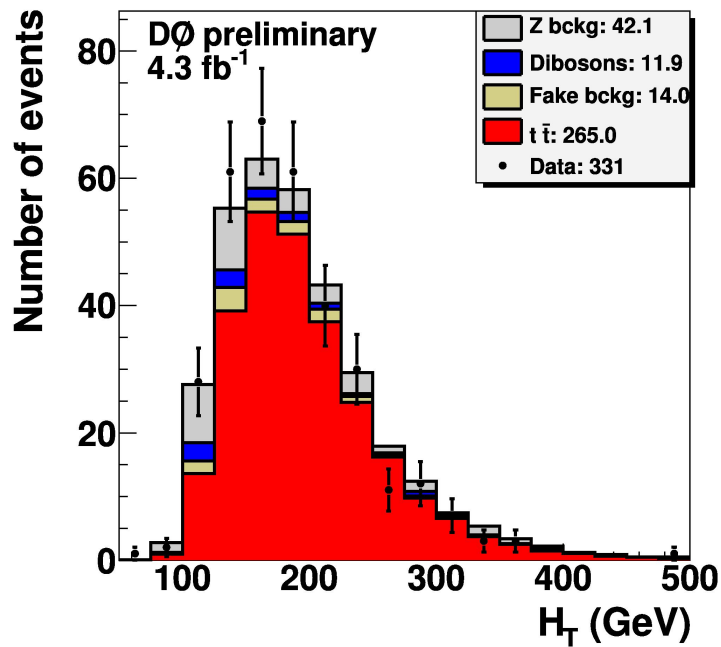
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- Select events with two High pT leptons, Missing Energy and jets, including b-tagged jets



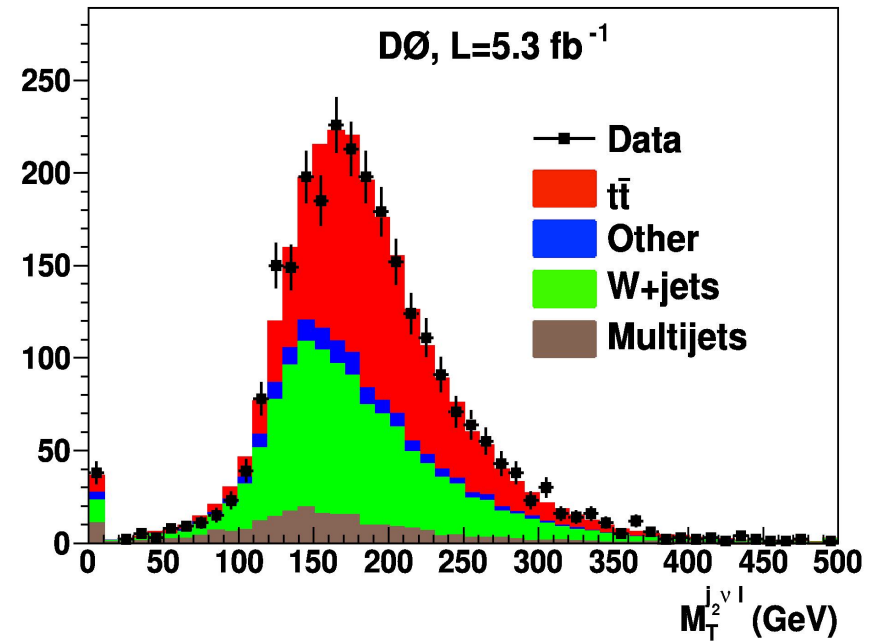
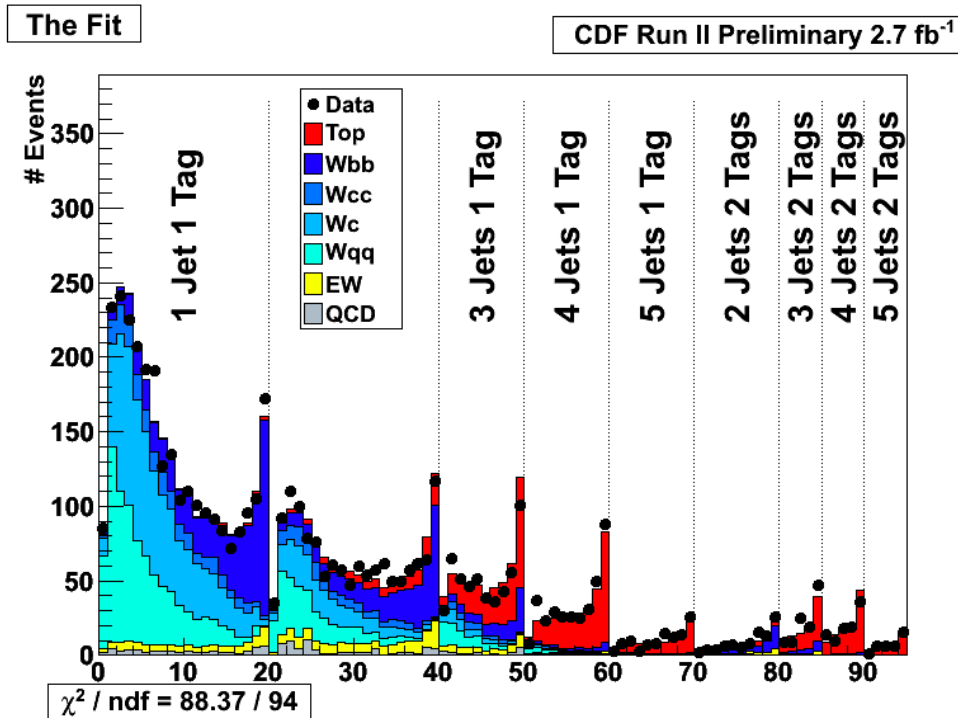
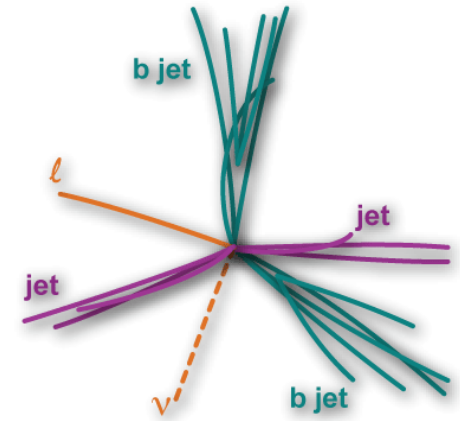
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- Properties of the selected dilepton events:

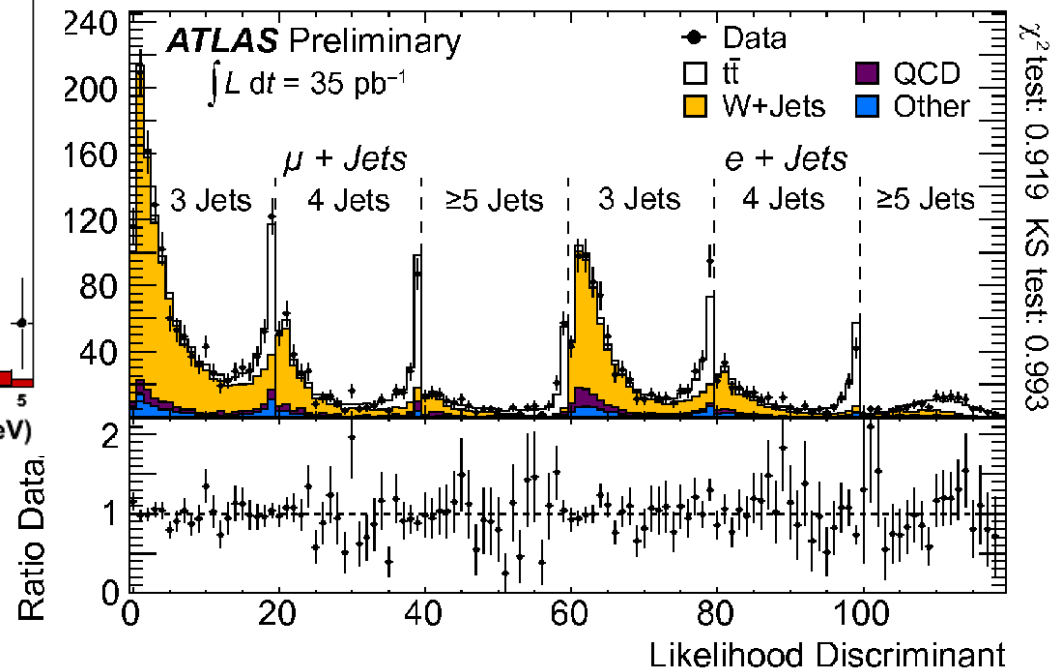
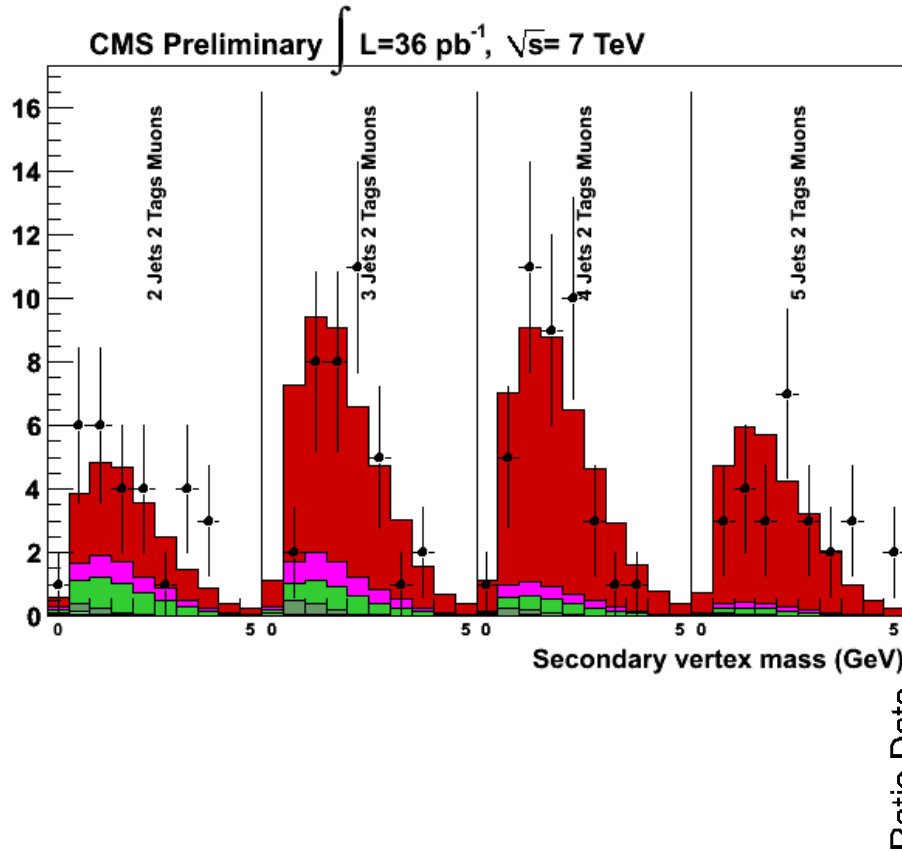


ttbar lepton+jets candidates:

- Select events with one high pT lepton, Missing Et and jets (including b-tagged).



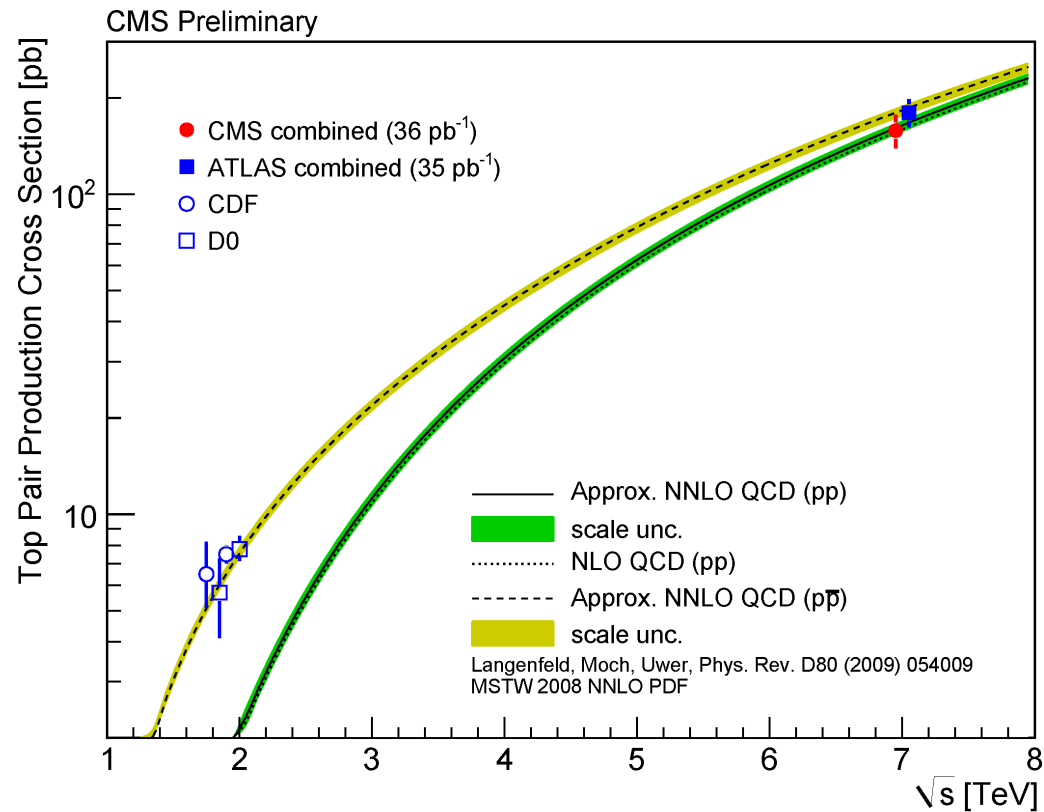
ttbar lepton+jets candidates:



Binned Likelihood Fits to the secondary vertex mass or another discriminant are performed to extract signal yields, b-tagging efficiency, constrain heavy flavor fraction and jet energy scale.

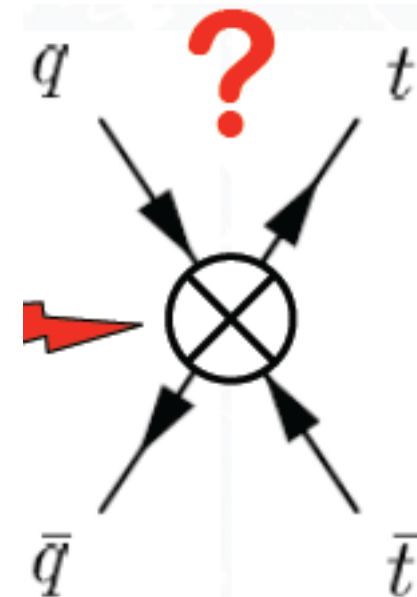
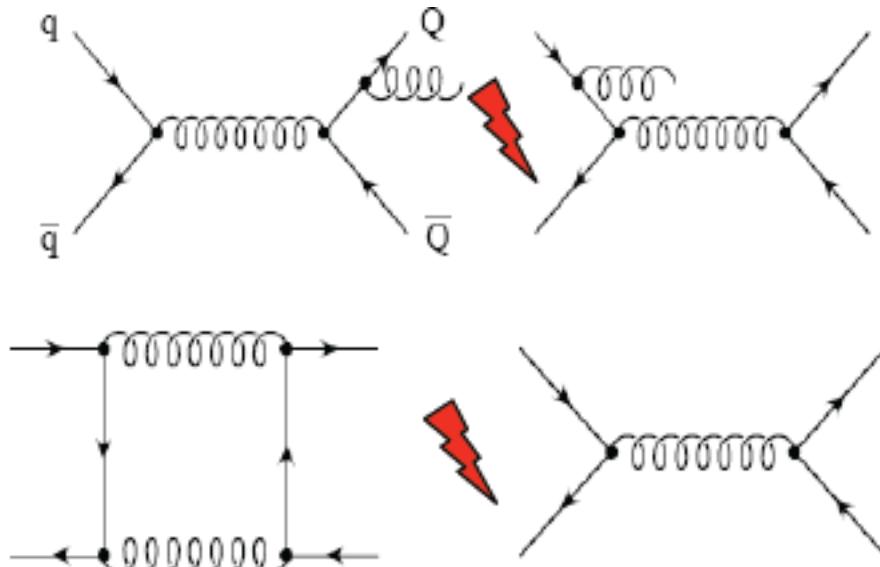
ttbar cross section

$$\sigma\left(t\bar{t}\right) = \frac{N_{events} - N_{bkg}}{\epsilon \cdot A \cdot L}$$

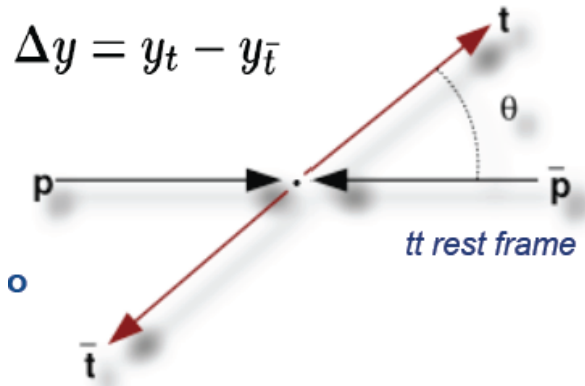


color charge asymmetry A_{FB}

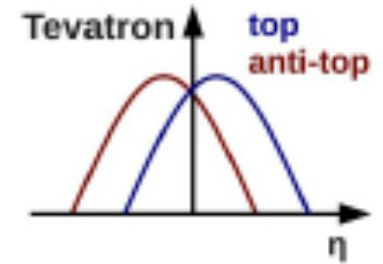
- Tevatron: at LO, completely symmetric
- At higher orders, interference terms influence t and t -bar production asymmetrically, e.g.: 4-6% expected at NLO in the parton frame
- New Physics could enhance the asymmetry.



color charge asymmetry A_{FB}



$$A_{fb} = \frac{N^{\Delta y > 0} - N^{\Delta y < 0}}{N^{\Delta y > 0} + N^{\Delta y < 0}}$$



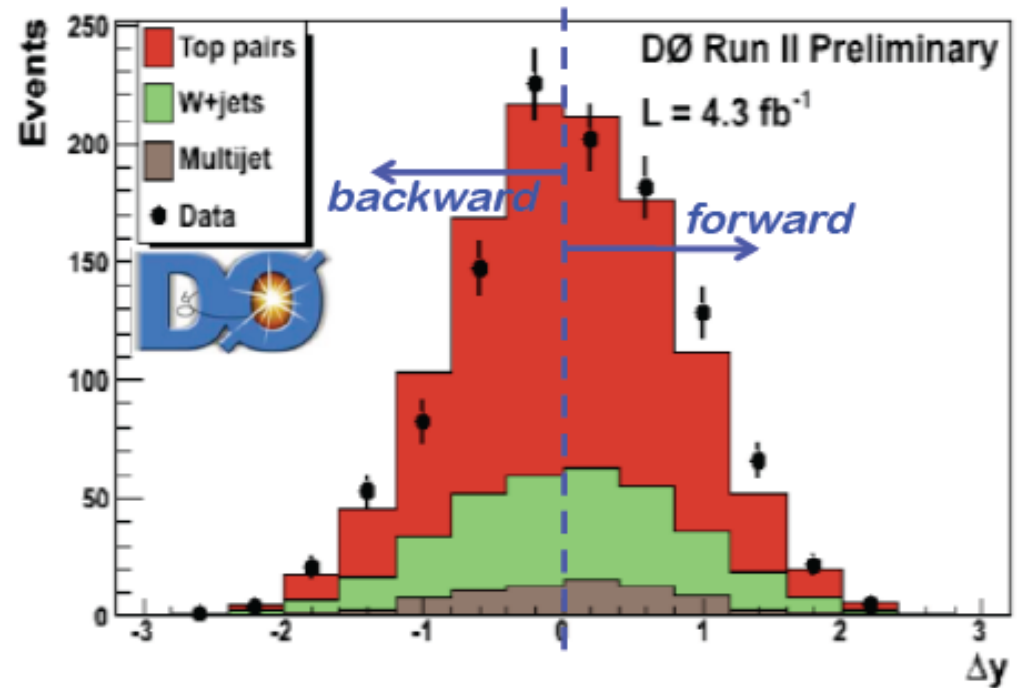
- Dzero:

$$A_{fb} = 8 \pm 4\% \quad (2\sigma)$$

Raw result (not unfolded)

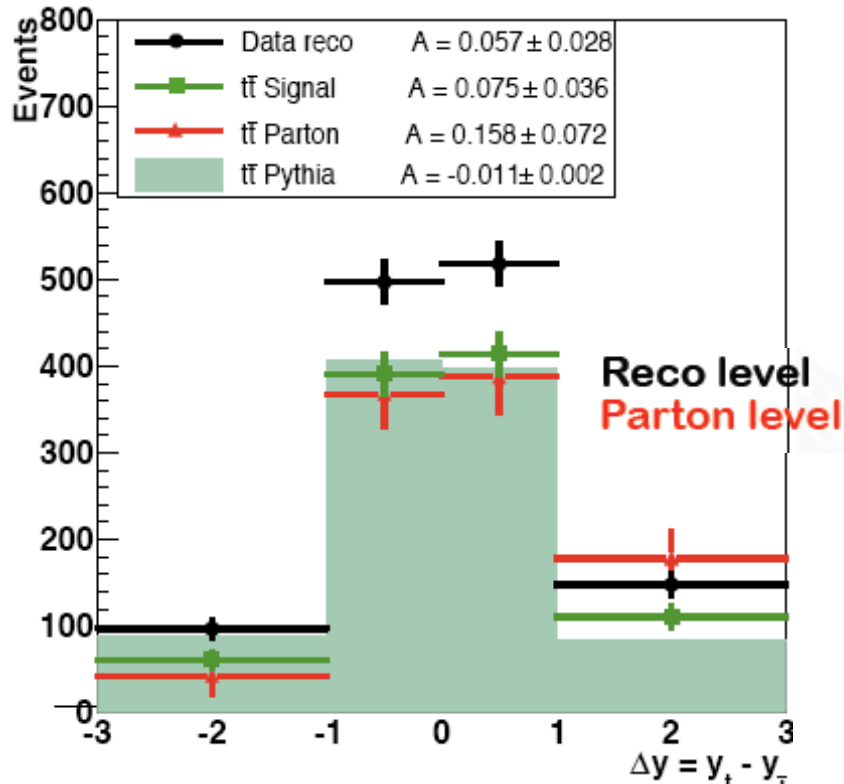
- mc@nlo

prediction: $1 \pm 2\%$

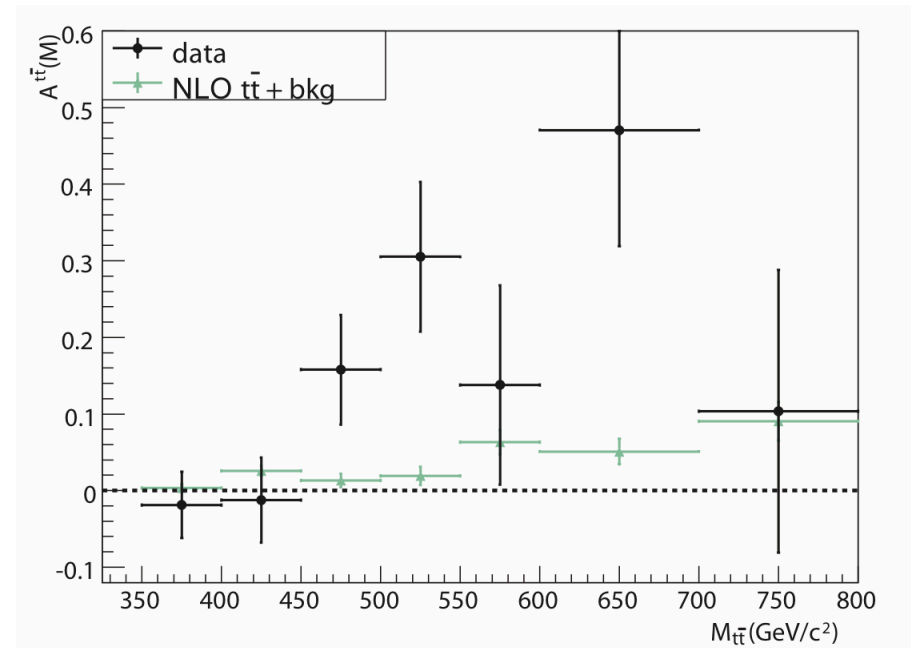


color charge asymmetry A_{FB}

- CDF



- A_{FB} as a function of $M_{t\bar{t}}$



$A_{fb} = 15 \pm 5 \% (2\sigma)$

$A_{fb} = 48 \pm 11 \% (>3\sigma)$

mc@nlo prediction: $6 \pm 1\%$

$8.8 \pm 1.3\%$

(Parton Level: corrected for reconstruction)

A_{FB}

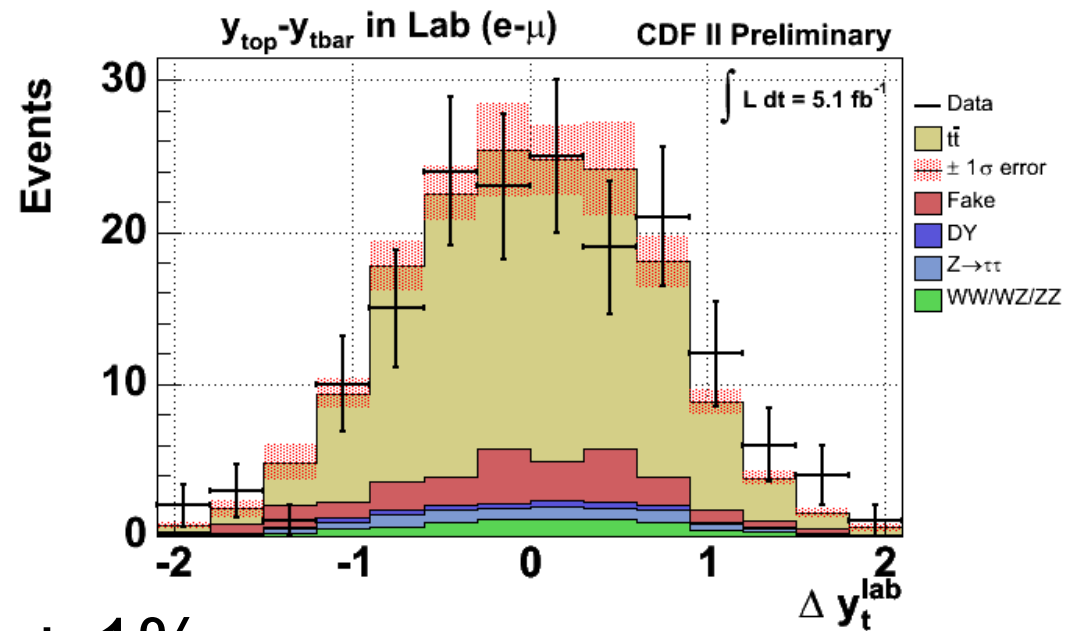
- Dilepton Events:

$$A_{fb} = 42 \pm 16 \% \\ (2.5\sigma)$$

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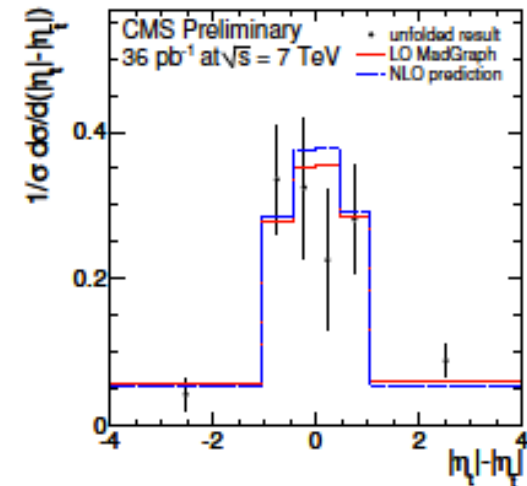
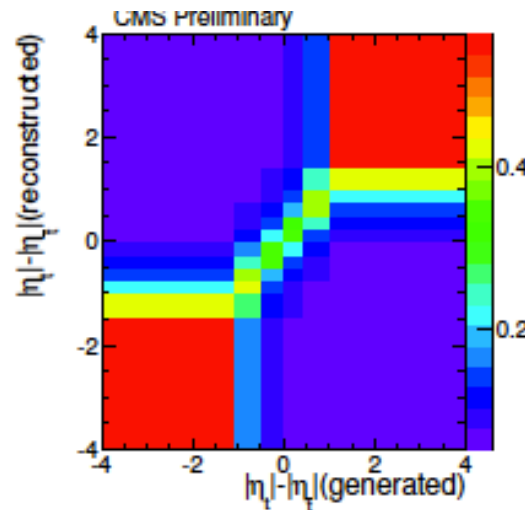
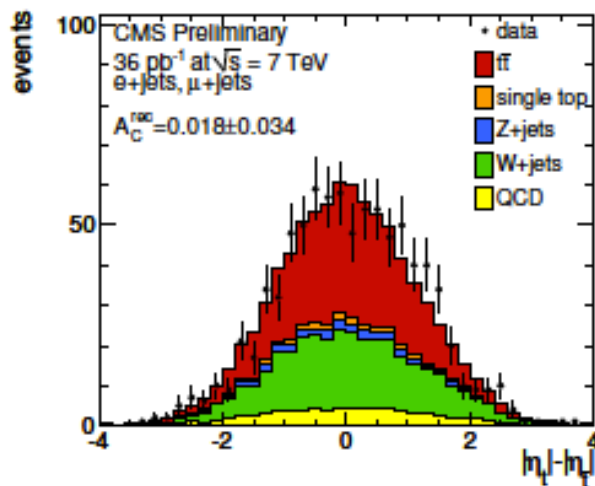
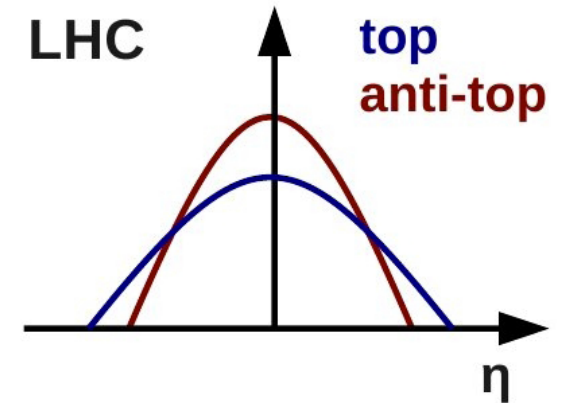
- mc@nlo prediction: $6 \pm 1\%$

- Some tension between SM prediction and Tevatron data
- Higher order SM prediction at α_s^4 ?
- Soft QCD effects?
- About 2x the data is available for a closer look!



color charge asymmetry - LHC

- Initial state is symmetric
- charge asymmetry visible in $|\eta_t| - |\eta_{\bar{t}}|$
- Expected asymmetry A_C small $\approx 1.3\%$
- Z' or an axigluon could enhance the asymmetry

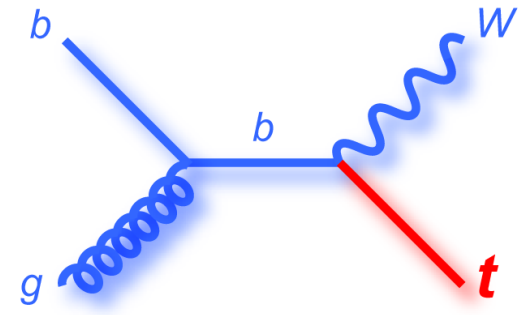
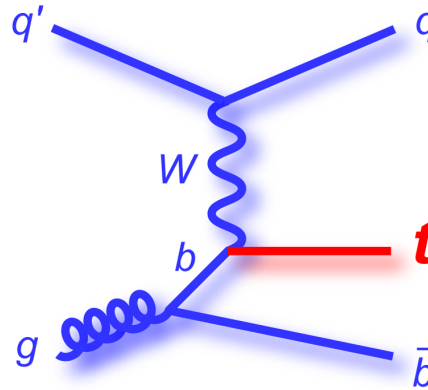
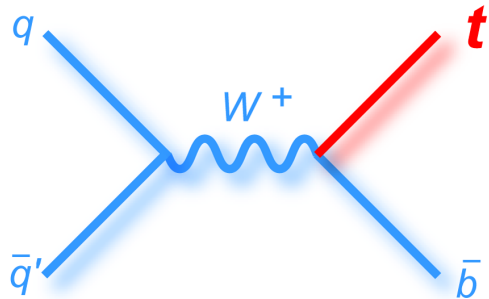


$$A_C = 0.060 \pm 0.134 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.026 \text{ (syst)}$$

- First such measurement, & expect $L = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ to start to compete with Tevatron

single top production

electroweak process



Tevatron: $\sigma_s = 1.12 \text{ pb}$

LHC(7TeV): $\sigma_s = 4 \text{ pb}$

$\sigma_t = 2.34 \text{ pb}$

$\sigma_t = 66 \text{ pb}$

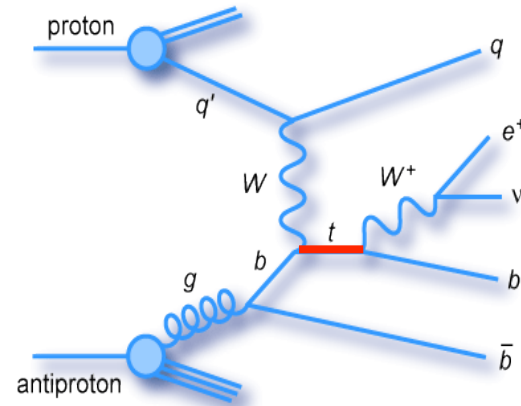
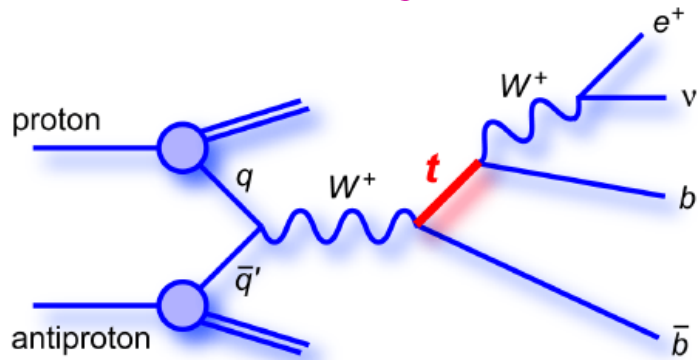
$\sigma_{tW} = 0.30 \text{ pb}$

$\sigma_{tW} = 15 \text{ pb}$

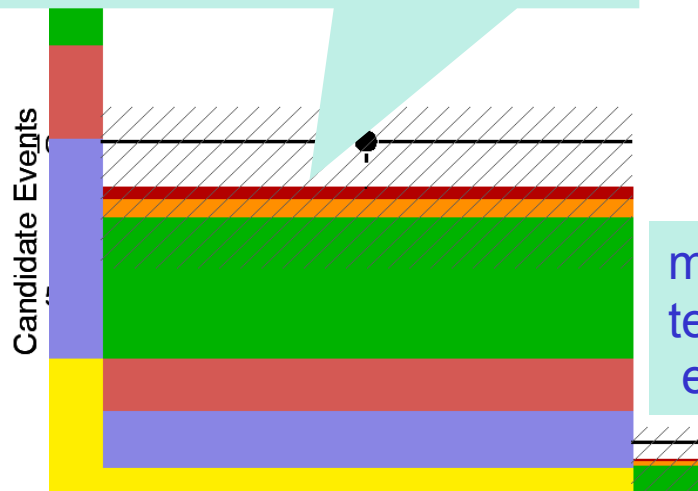
- Direct Access to the W - t - b coupling (s_{st})
 - Measure V_{tb} of the CKM directly
 - CKM Unitarity
- s and t channels are sensitive to different types of new physics
 - s -channel sensitive to new resonances: W' , top pions, H^+ , SUSY, etc.
 - t -channel sensitive to FCNC, 4th generation, anomalous couplings
 - it is important to measure the rates independently
- Polarized top quarks
- Backgrounds to Higgs

single top production

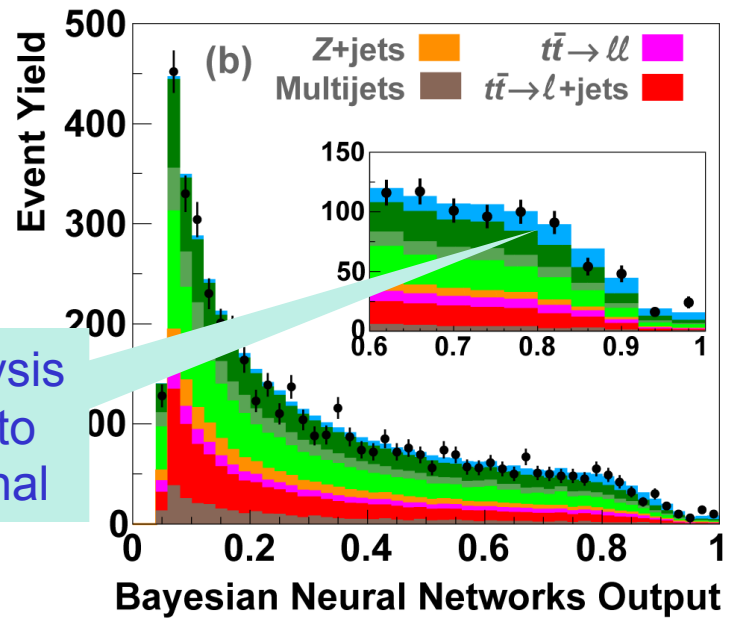
Tevatron analyses:



best channels $S/B \approx 1/20$
Signal < background uncertainty



multivariate analysis techniques used to enhance the signal

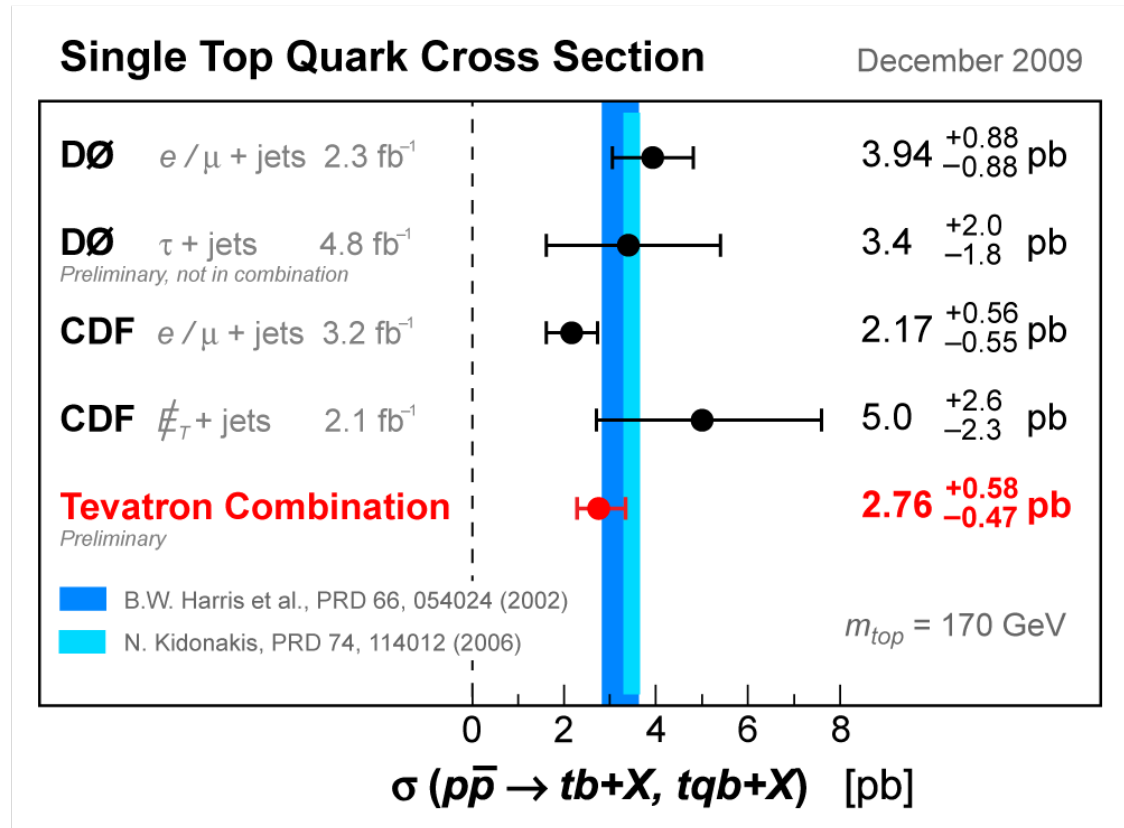


single top production

- Tevatron Results until 2009:

5 σ Observation with

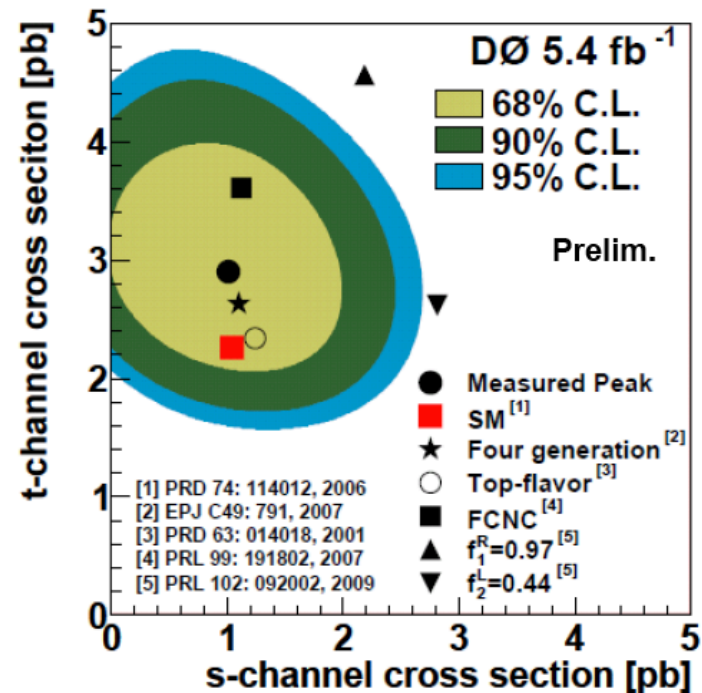
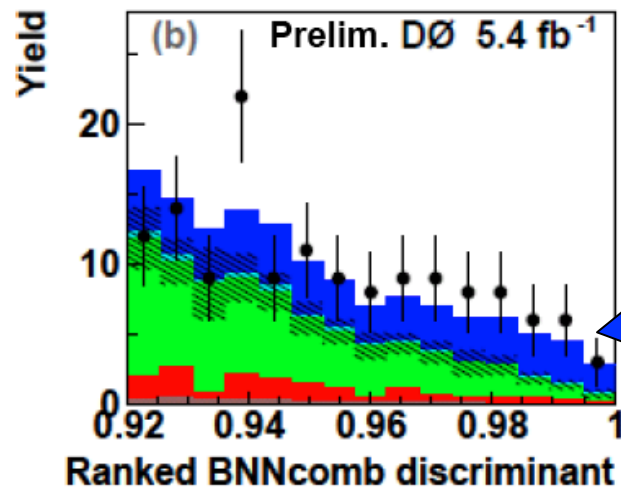
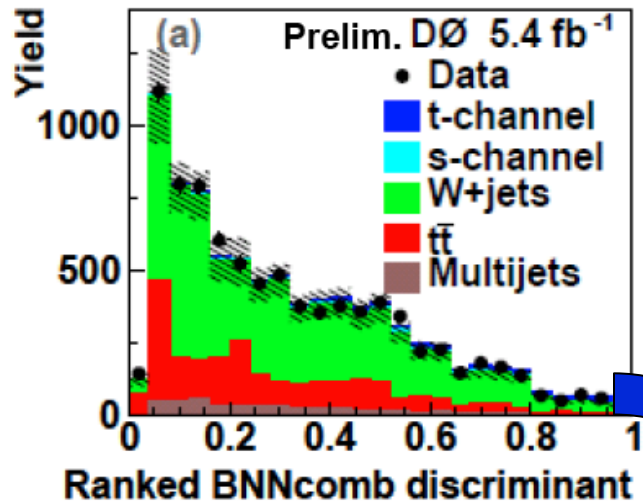
uncertainty of 22%
(with 18% statistical
and 13% systematics)



- combined s+t channel cross section measurements.

t-channel cross section measurement

- new analysis by Dzero

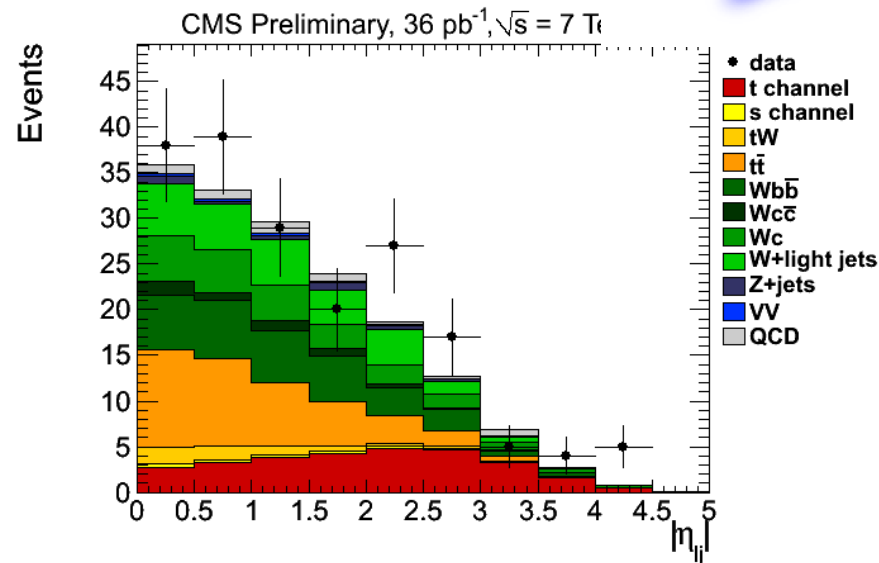
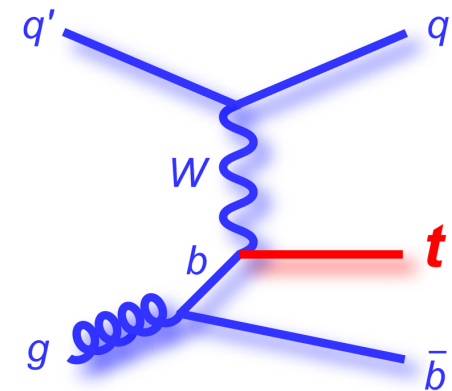
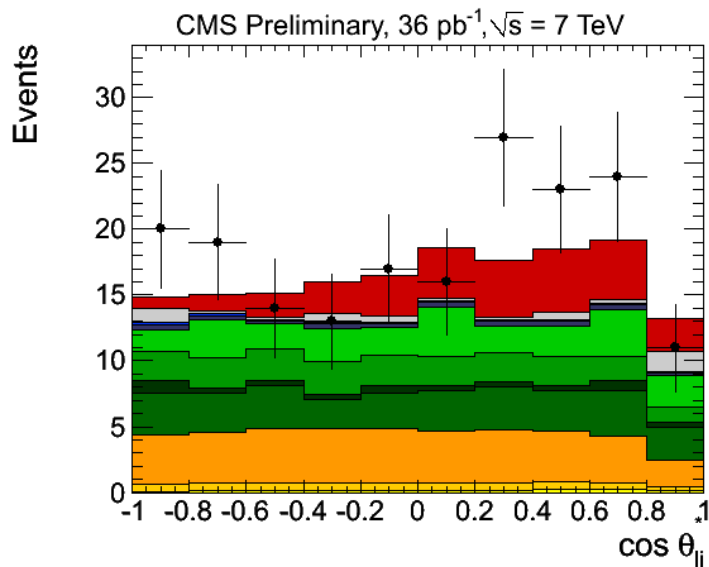


$$\sigma_t = 2.9 \pm 0.6 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_s = 0.98 \pm 0.6 \text{ pb}$$

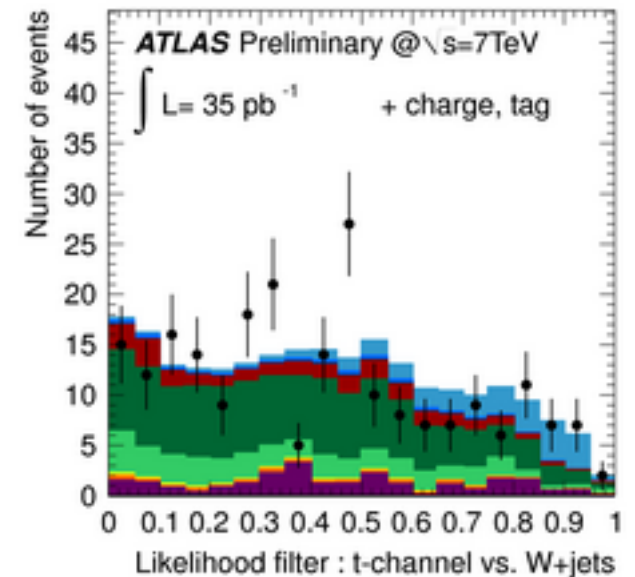
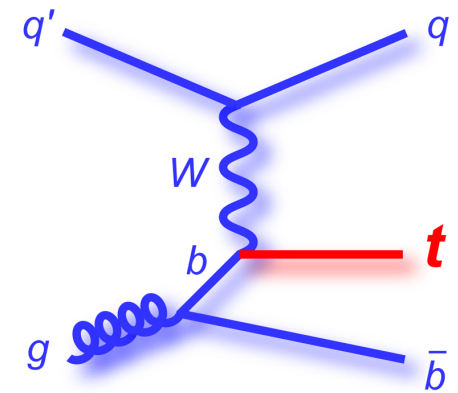
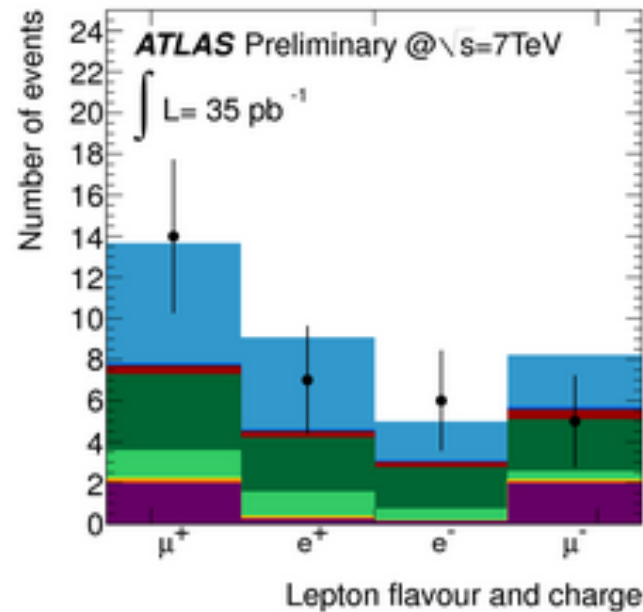
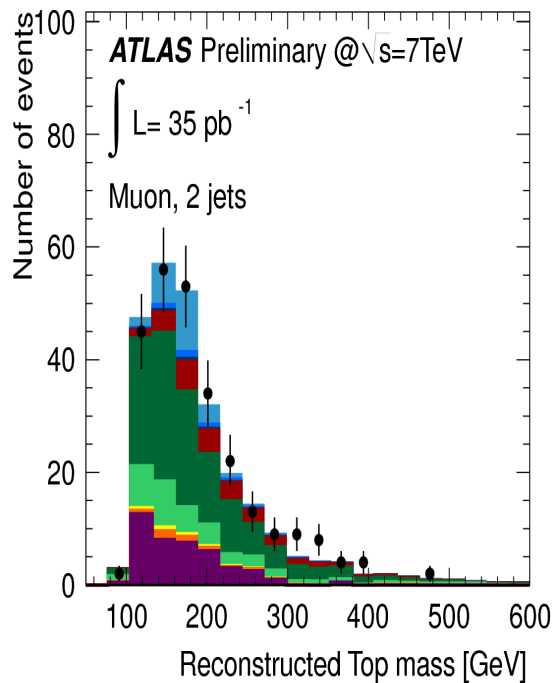
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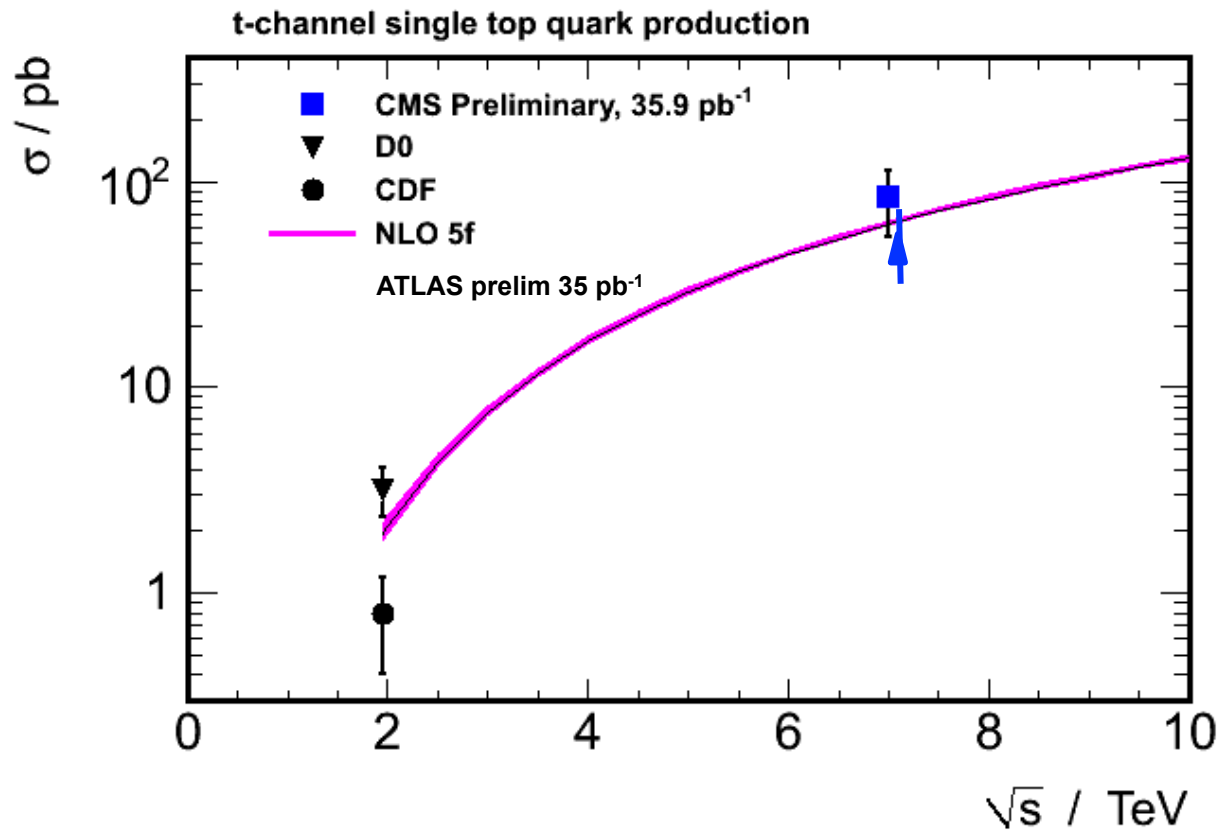


single top production:

- t-channel cross section measurement

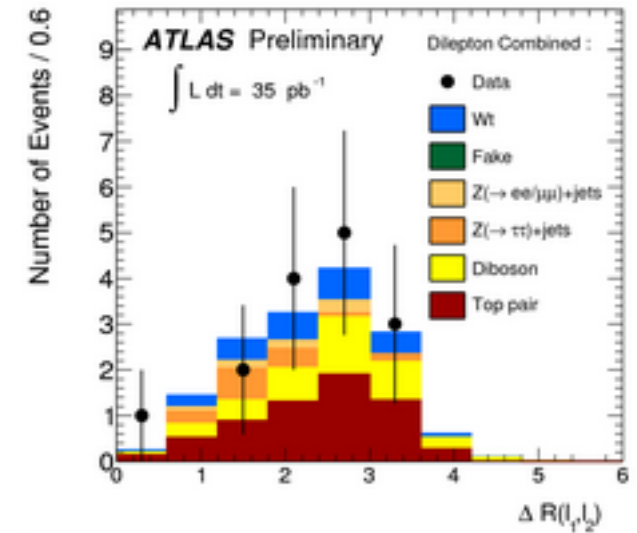
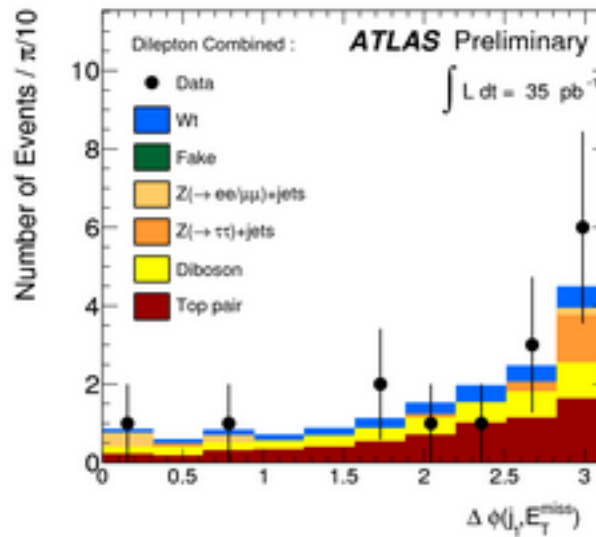
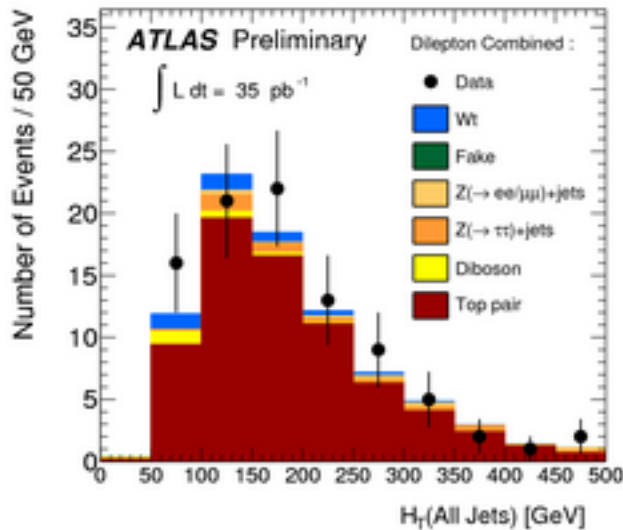
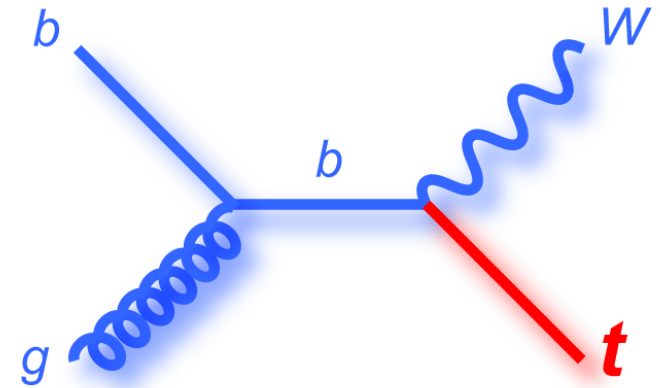
ATLAS: $\sigma_t = 53^{+27}_{-24}$ (stat) $^{+38}_{-27}$ (syst) pb

CMS: $\sigma_s = 83.6 \pm 29.8$ (stat+syst) ± 3.3 (lumi) pb



single top production

- associated Wt production:
 - lepton+jets & dilepton events

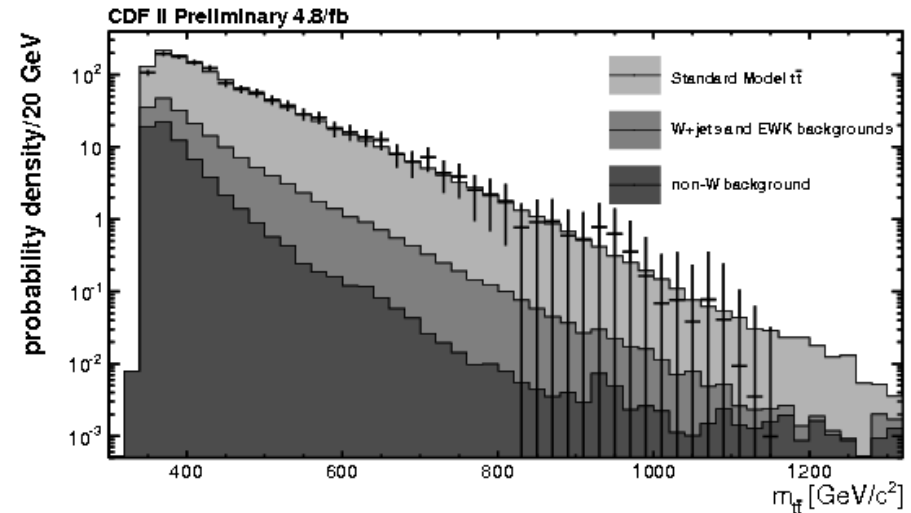
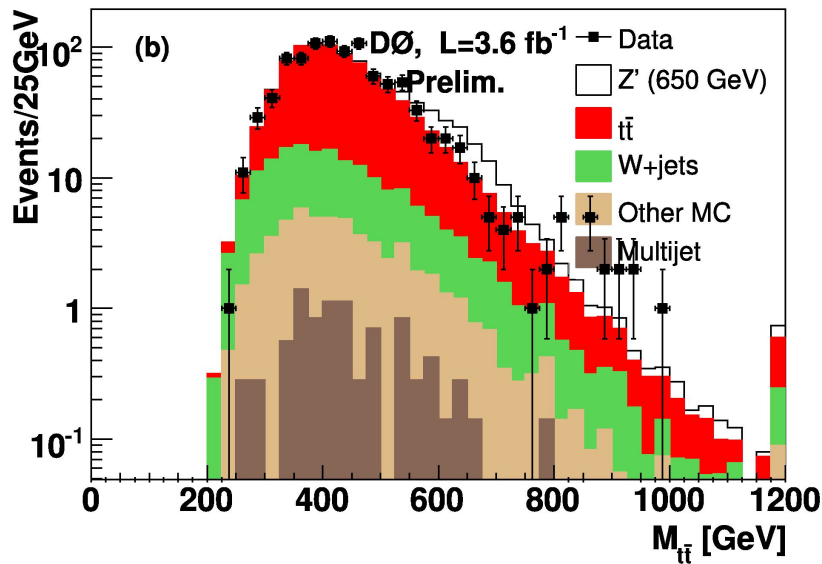
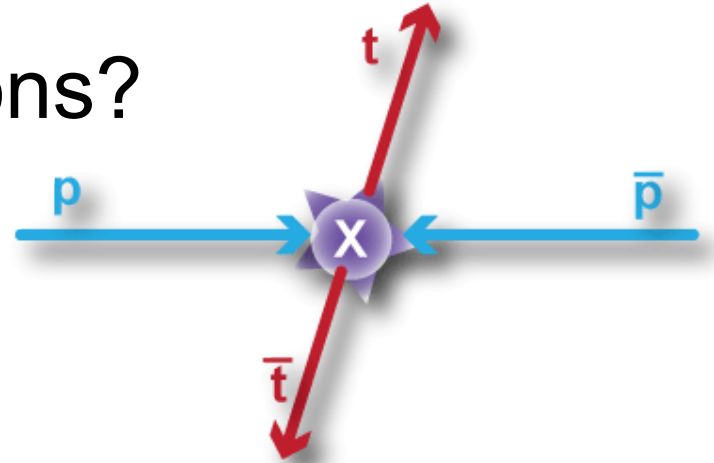


$\sigma_{tW} < 158 \text{ pb @95\% C.L.}$

– First study of this channel

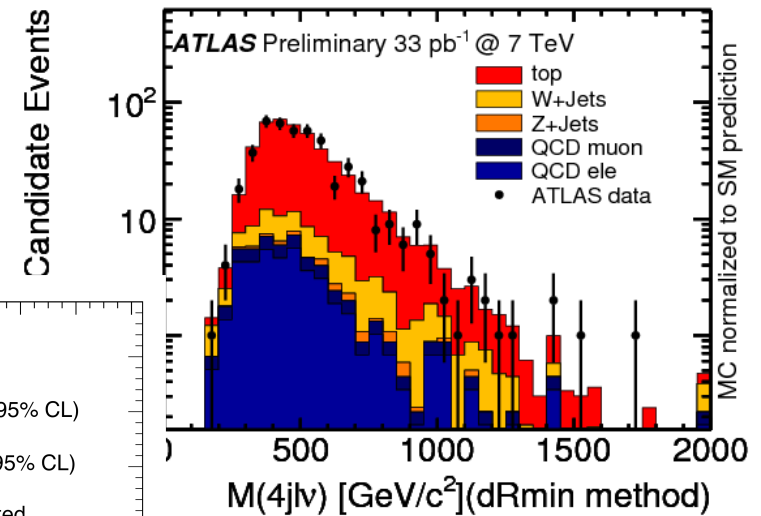
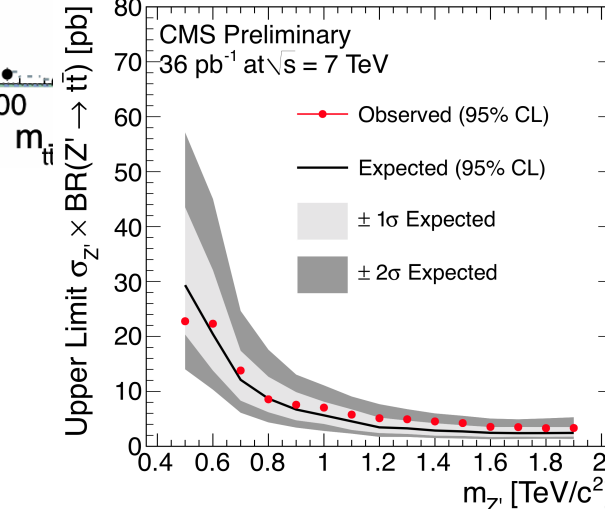
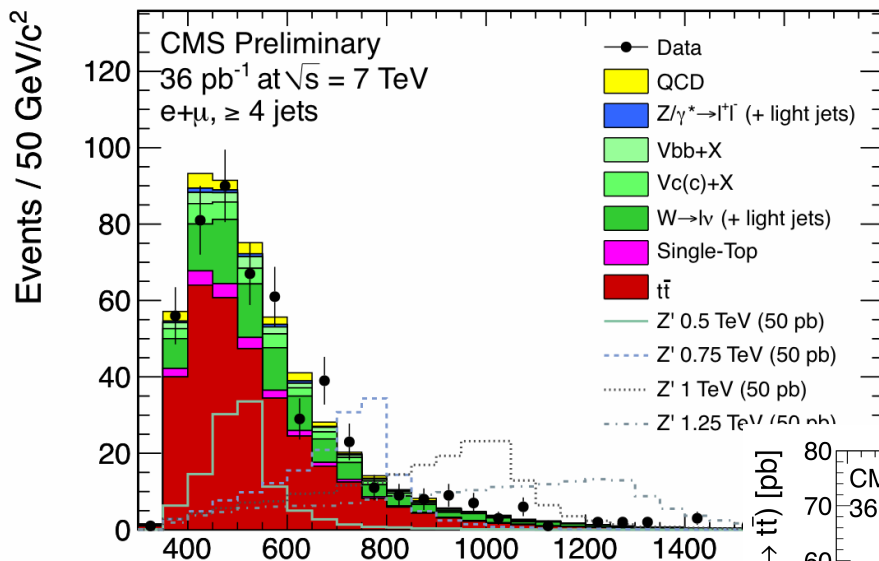
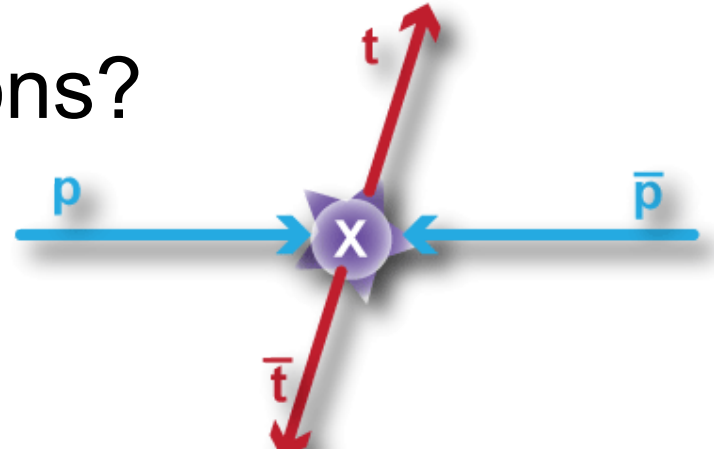
top production via a resonance?

- technicolor Z' , massive gluons?
- Reconstruct mass of $t\bar{t}$



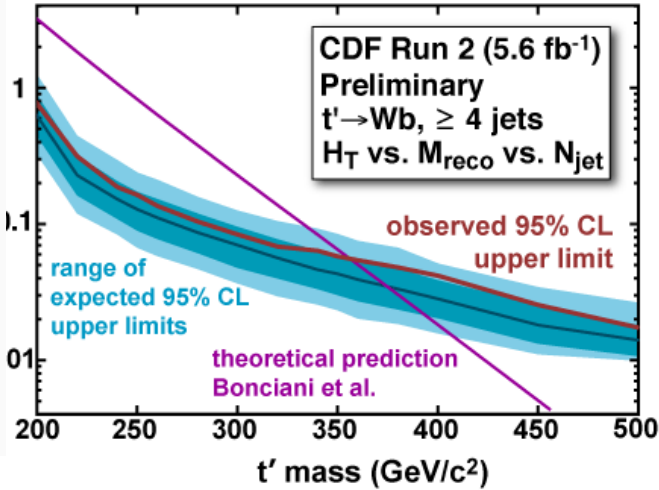
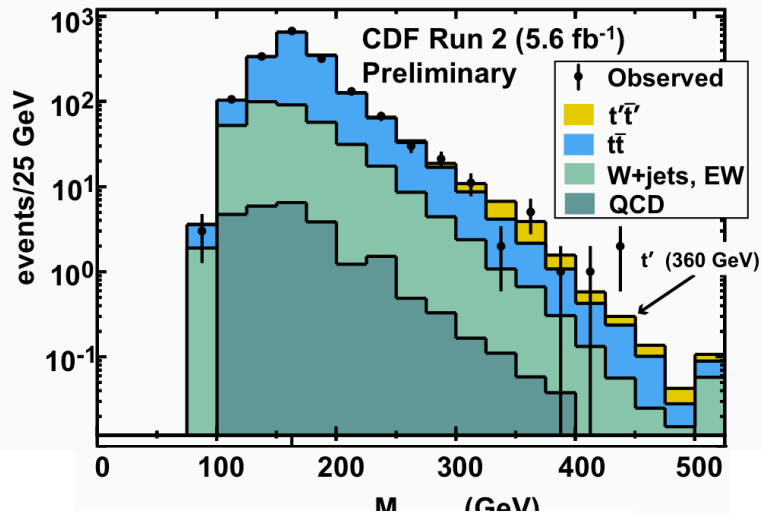
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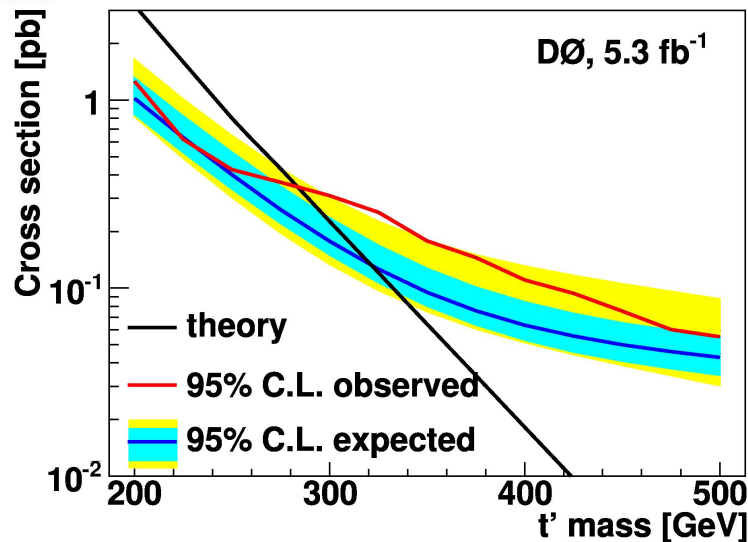
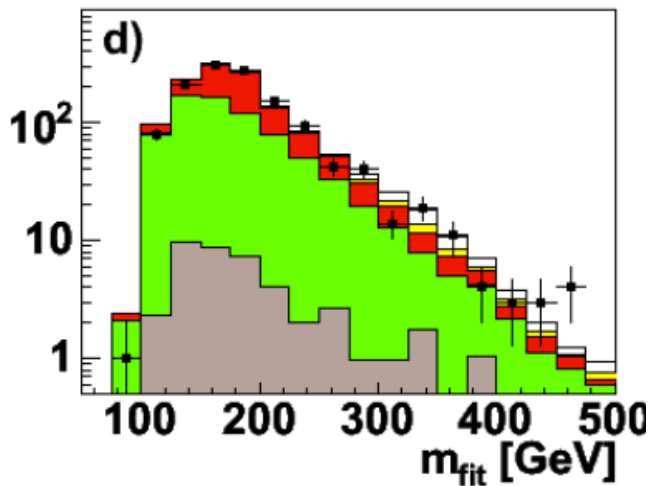


signatures which mimic top

- t' search at the tevatron



Mass $t' > 358$ GeV
(@95% C.L.)



Mass $t' > 285$ GeV
(@95% C.L.)

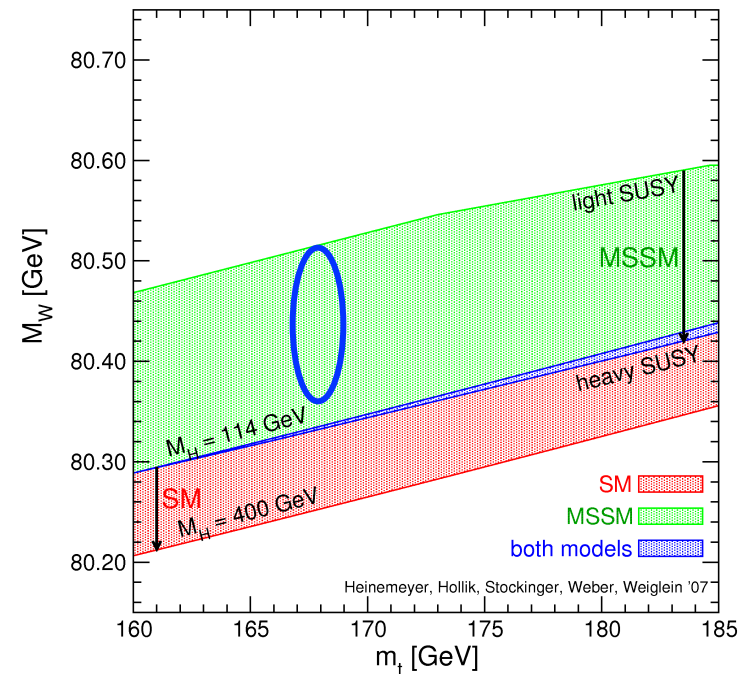
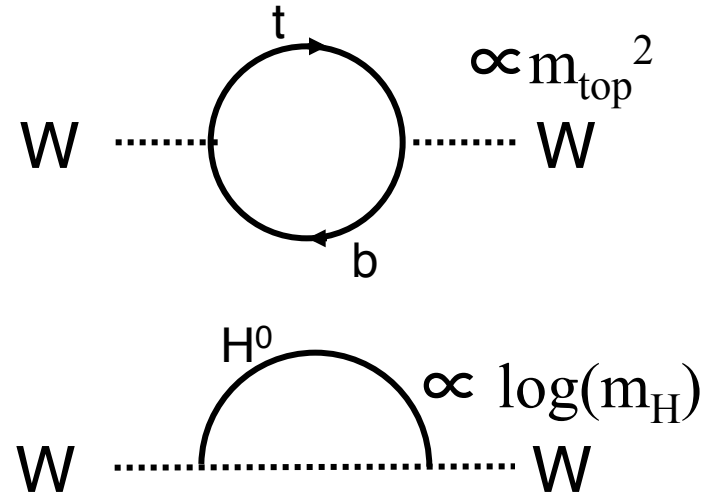
Top Properties:

- Top Mass
- Mass (t v. tbar)
- Charge of Top Quark

- Top Quark Width

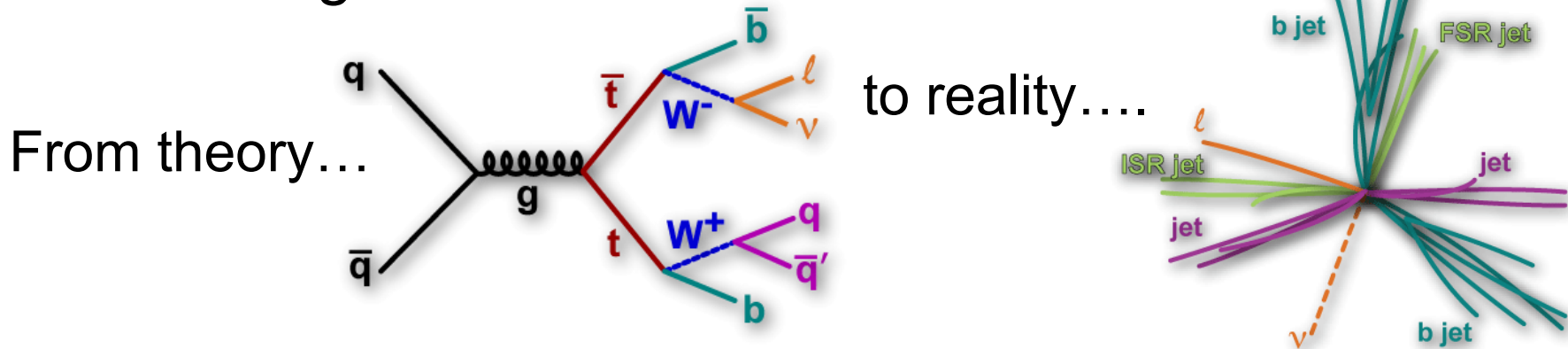
top quark mass measurement

- why is it important?
- most massive elementary particle
 - dominant contributor to radiative corrections
- how is its mass generated?
 - topcolor?
- does it couple to new physics?
 - massive G, heavy Z', H⁺, ...
- need to know the mass precisely.
 - Different influence in different final states?
 - Check consistency across channels.



top quark mass measurement

- Challenges and Solutions:

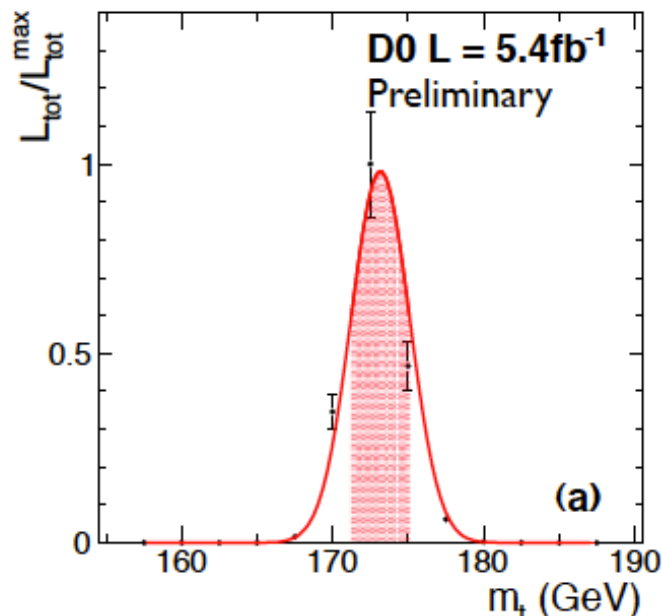


- Jet energy scale: $\pm 2\% \Delta \text{JES} \sim \pm 2 \text{ GeV} \Delta m_t$
 - in-situ JES by using the constraint from hadronic W mass, can be done in l+jets and all hadronic channels, not in dilepton channel alone.
 - look at quantities insensitive to JES, e.g. lepton p_T .
- Jet-parton match: $n_{\text{jet}}!$ Permutations
 - b-jet ID helps reducing the number of permutations.
 - kinematic fitter to pick up the permutation(s) with best X^2

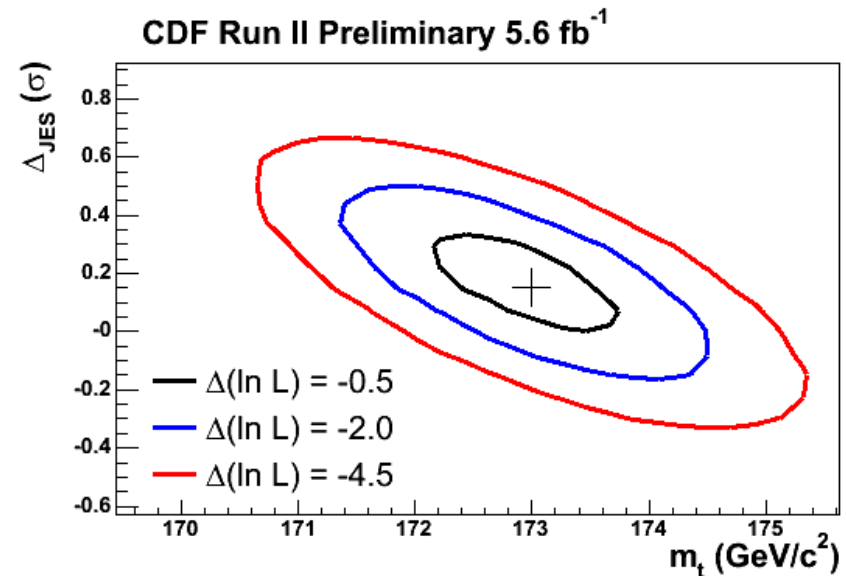
Tevatron

- Most precise measurements obtained using the Matrix Element technique
- For lepton+jets use the 2D fit in the M_{top} and JES plane

D0 (dilepton events) m_{top}
 $= 174.0 \pm 1.8 \text{ (stat)} \pm 2.4 \text{ (sys)} \text{ GeV}$



CDF (lepton+jets events) m_{top}
 $= 173.0 \pm 0.9 \text{ (stat+JES)} \pm 0.9 \text{ (sys)} \text{ GeV}$



LHC

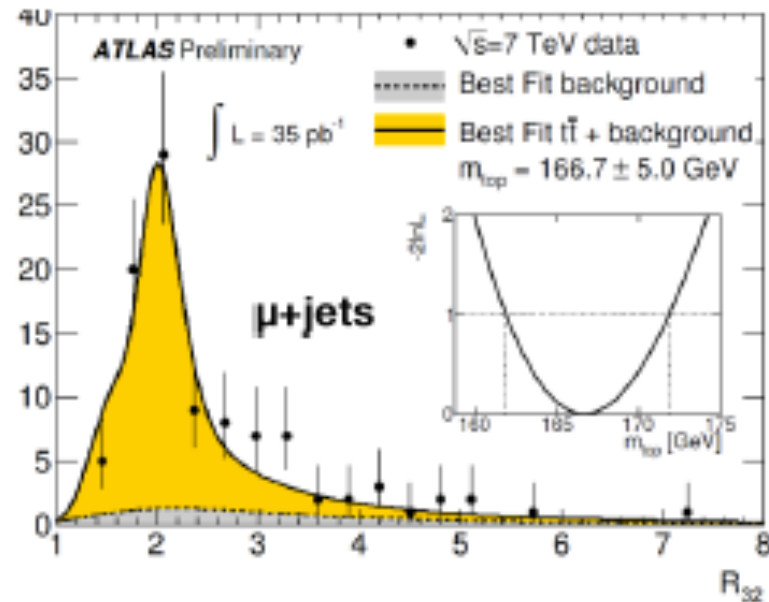
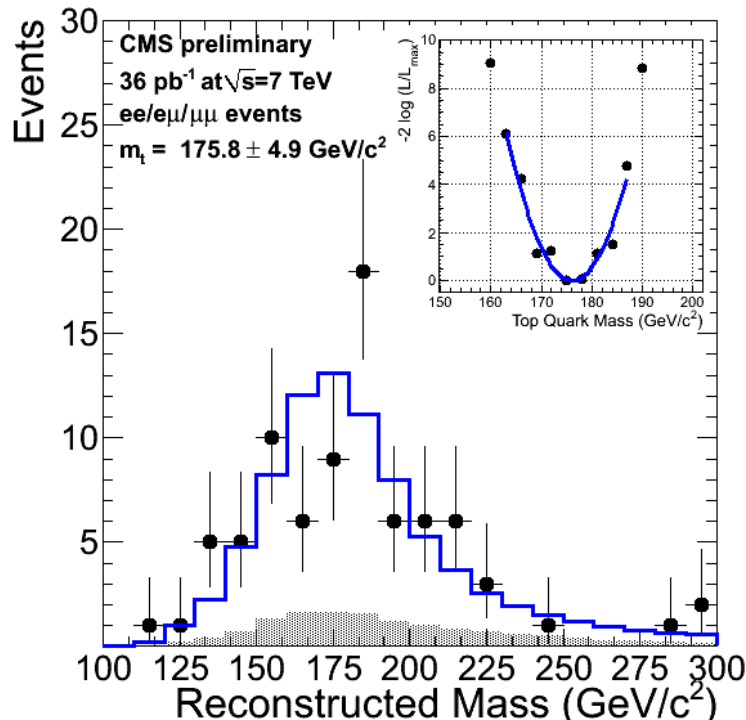
- First measurements of the top mass @LHC
- Template Fits
- Lepton+Jets $R_{32} = M_{jjb}(t)/M_{jj}(W)$
- Dilepton: reconstruct most likely mass for the event

CMS:

$m_{top} = 175.5 \pm 4.6(\text{stat}) \pm 4.6(\text{sys}) \text{ GeV}$

ATLAS

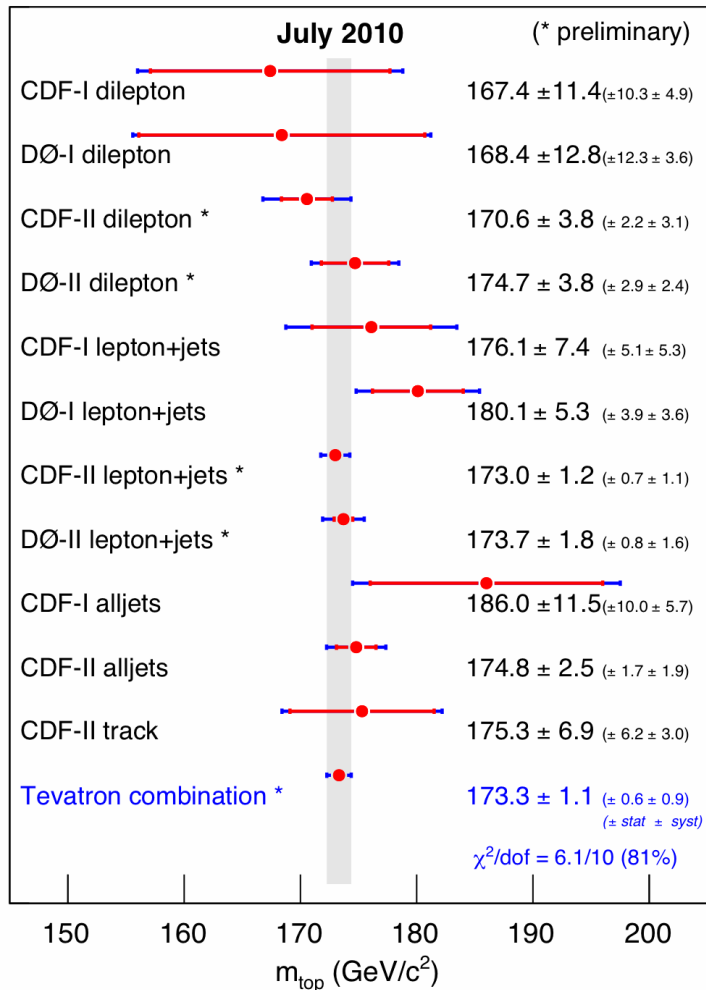
$m_{top} = 169.3 \pm 4.0(\text{stat}) \pm 4.9(\text{sys}) \text{ GeV}$



Mee:

Tevatron Summary

Mass of the Top Quark



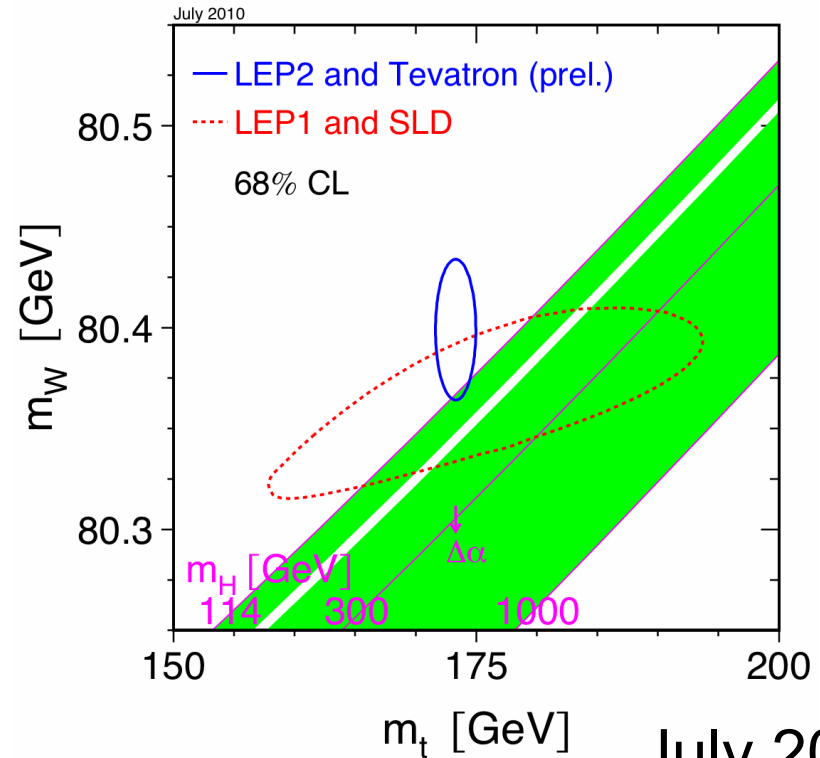
$\Delta m/m < 0.6\%$

CDF winter'11

$$m_{\text{top}} = 172.7 \pm 0.6(\text{stat}) \pm 0.9(\text{sys}) \text{ GeV}$$

DØ winter '11

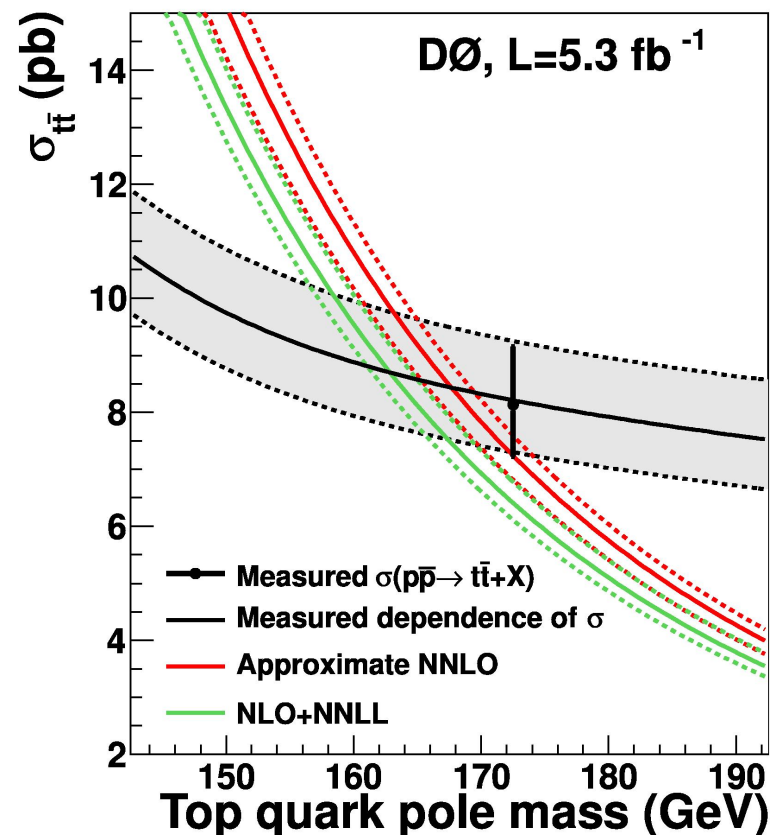
$$m_{\text{top}} = 175.2 \pm 0.6(\text{stat}) \pm 0.9(\text{sys}) \text{ GeV}$$



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mass from cross section

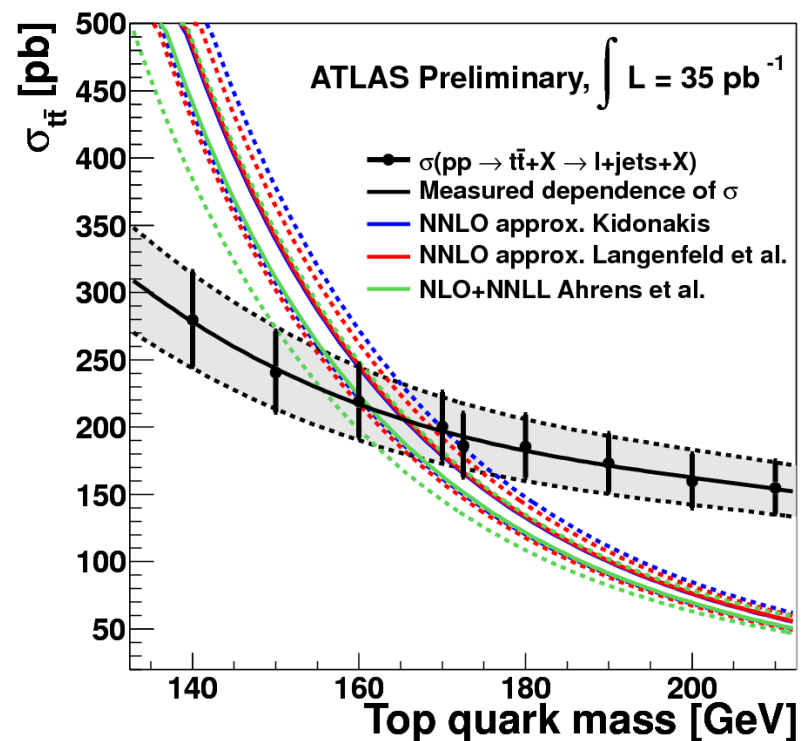
- Quark masses depend on the renormalization scheme.
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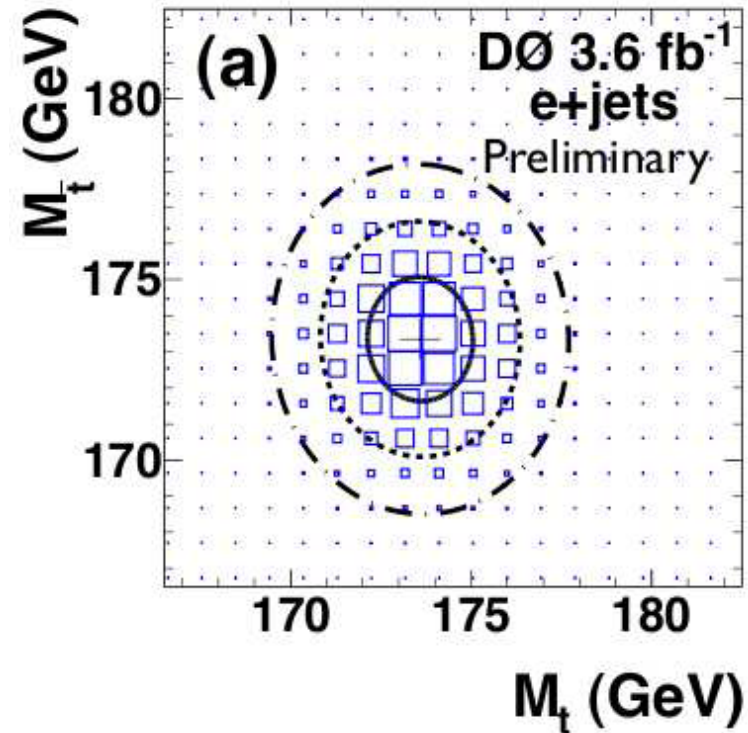
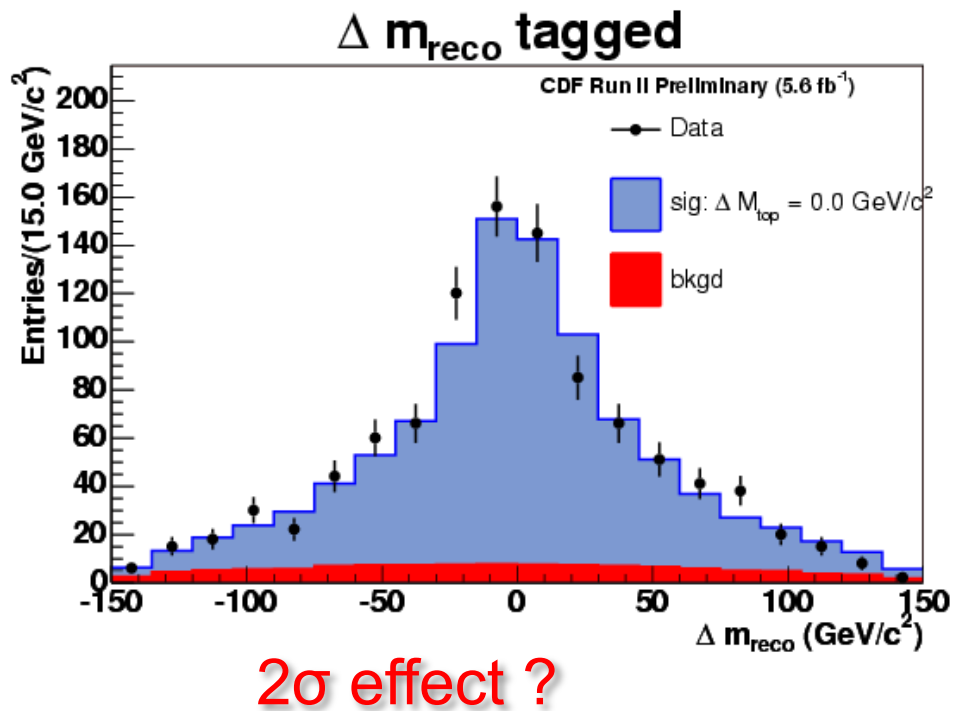
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mass (top) vs mass (anti-top)

- Test of CPT invariance

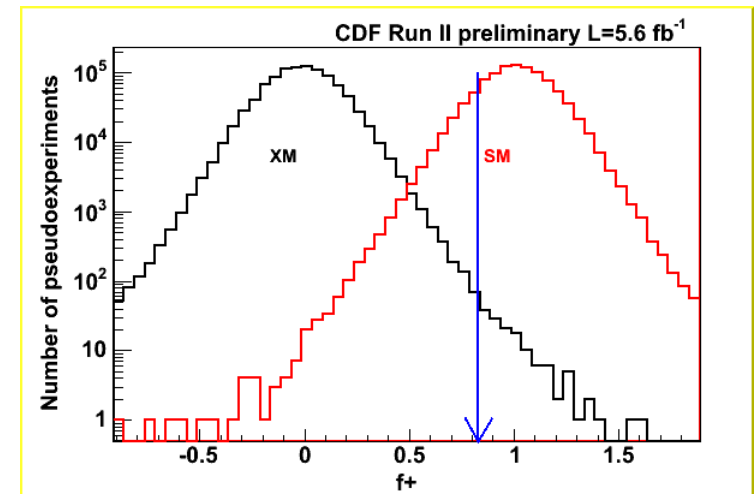
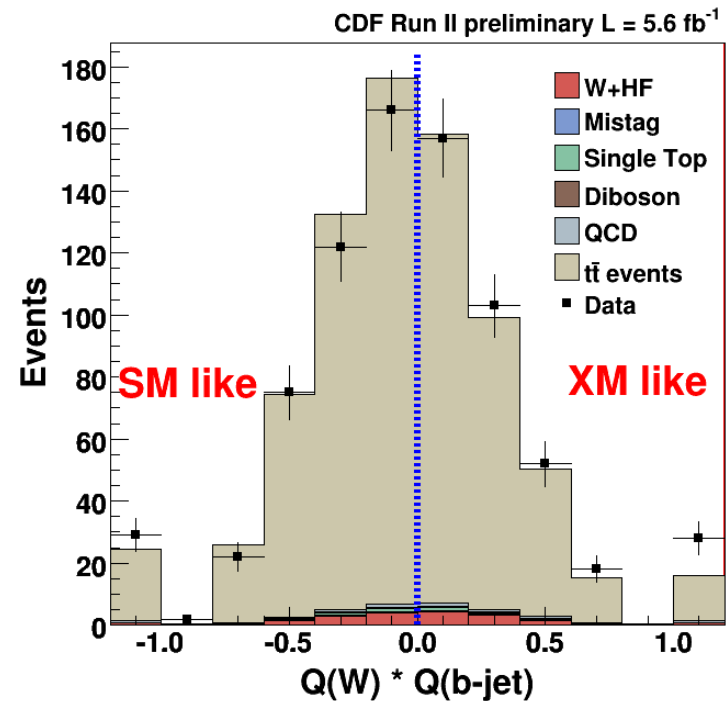
CDF: $\Delta m_{\text{top}} = -3.3 \pm 1.4(\text{stat}) 1.0(\text{syst})\text{GeV}$

D0: $\Delta m_{\text{top}} = 0.8 \pm 1.8(\text{stat}) 0.8(\text{syst})\text{GeV}$



top quark charge

- is it
 - $t \rightarrow W^+ b$ ($Q_{\text{top}} = 2/3 e$)
 - $t \rightarrow W^- b$ ($Q_{\text{top}} = -4/3 e$)
- Exotic model
 - doublet $(-1/3e, -4/3e)$?
 - D. Chang et al., PRD59 (1999) 091503
- pair W's & b's using kinematic fit
- determine charge of b-jet
- plot $Q_W \times Q_b$
- D0 PRL 98, 041801 (2007)
 - $4/3e$ excluded at 92% CL
 - fraction of exotic quark pairs < 0.80 (90% CL)
- CDF result with 5.6/fb
 - p-value for SM: 0.33
 - p-value for XM: 1.4×10^{-4}
 - exotic model XM excluded with 95% CL



top decays:

- W helicity (V-A)
- FCNC

- Spin correlations
- Color Flow

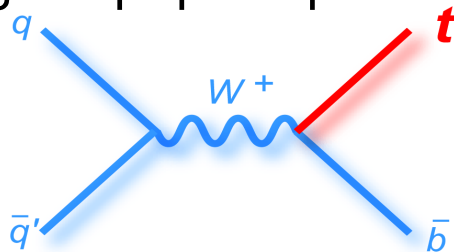
top quark coupling

- if top plays a special role in ewk symmetry breaking its couplings to W bosons may differ from predictions
 - modifications to top quark interactions, in particular with weak gauge bosons, could yield the first signs of new physics
- most general CP-conserving W-t-b vertex involves four couplings

$$L_{tWb} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_{\mu}^{-} \bar{b} \gamma^{\mu} (f_1^L P_L + f_1^R P_R) t - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2} M_W} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} \bar{b} \sigma^{\mu\nu} (f_2^L P_L + f_2^R P_R) t$$

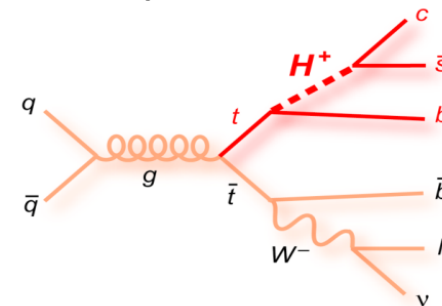
where, in the SM $f_1^L \approx 1$, $f_2^L = f_1^R = f_2^R = 0$

- probing tWb vertex:
Anomalous couplings in single top quark production and decay



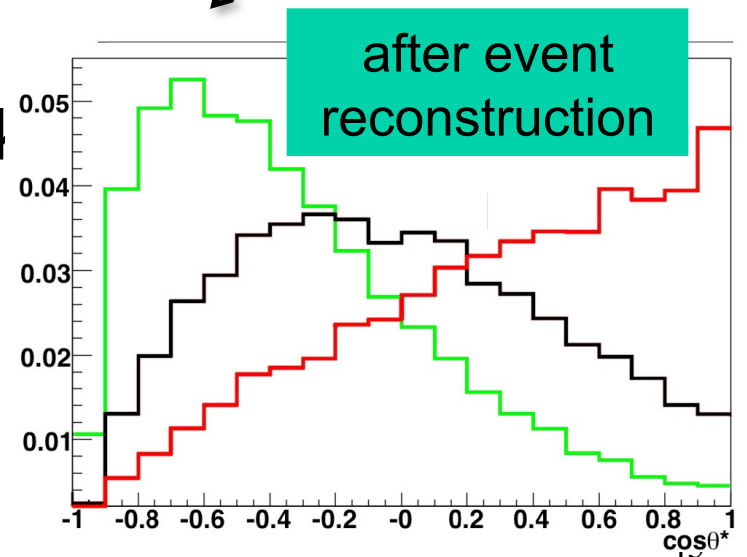
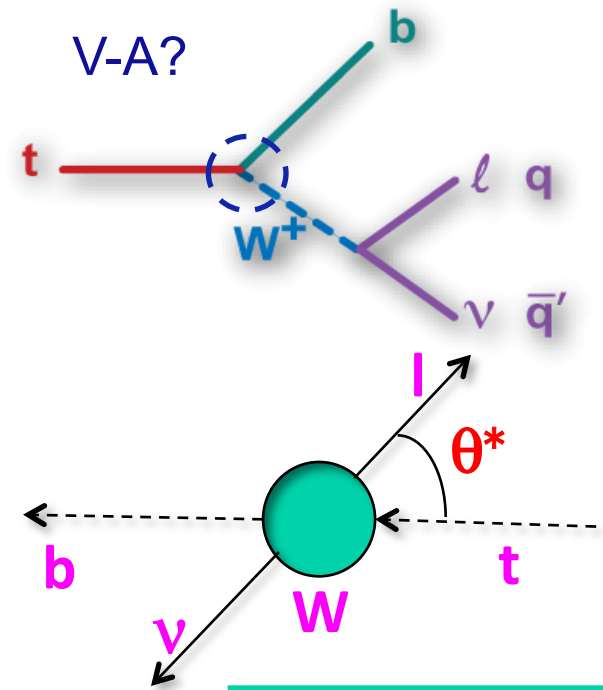
- Both measurements can be combined to fully specify the tbW vertex

W helicity In top pair decays



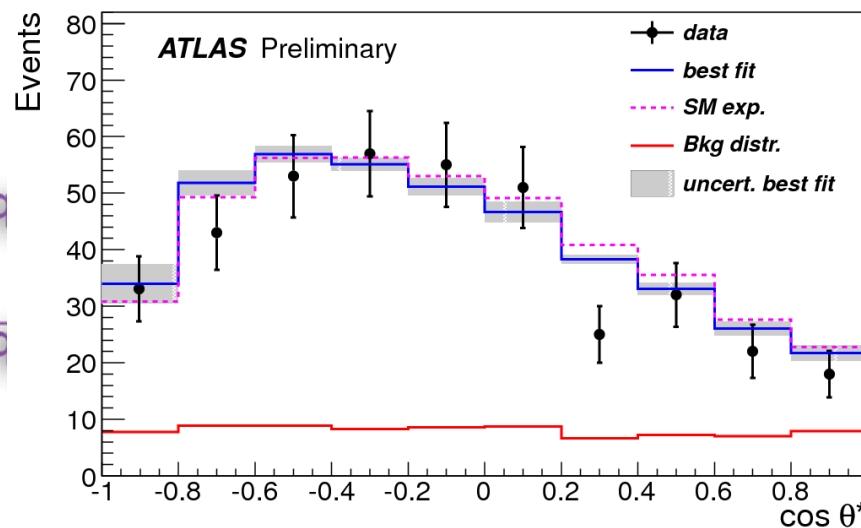
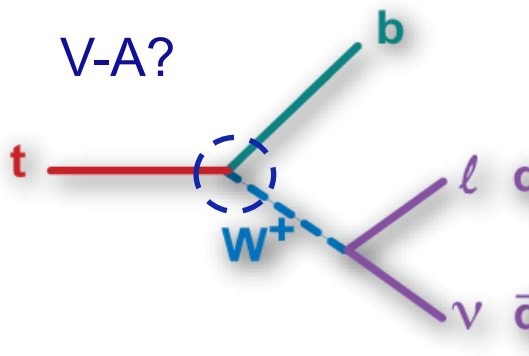
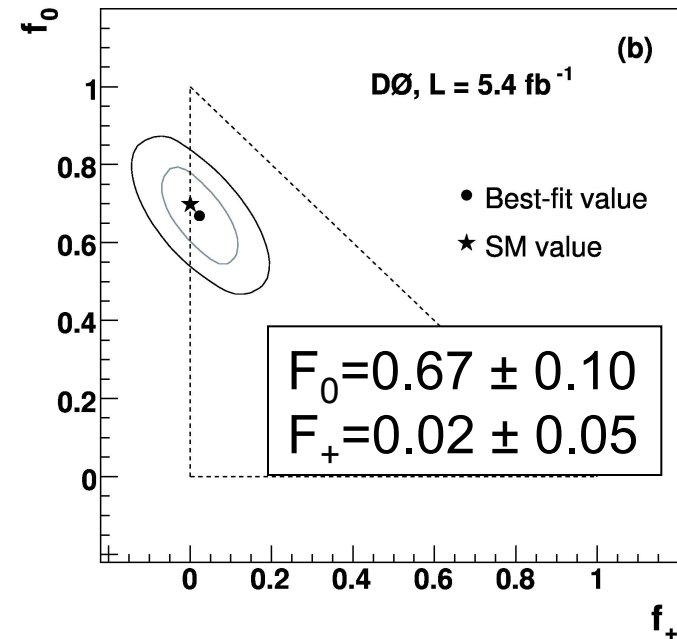
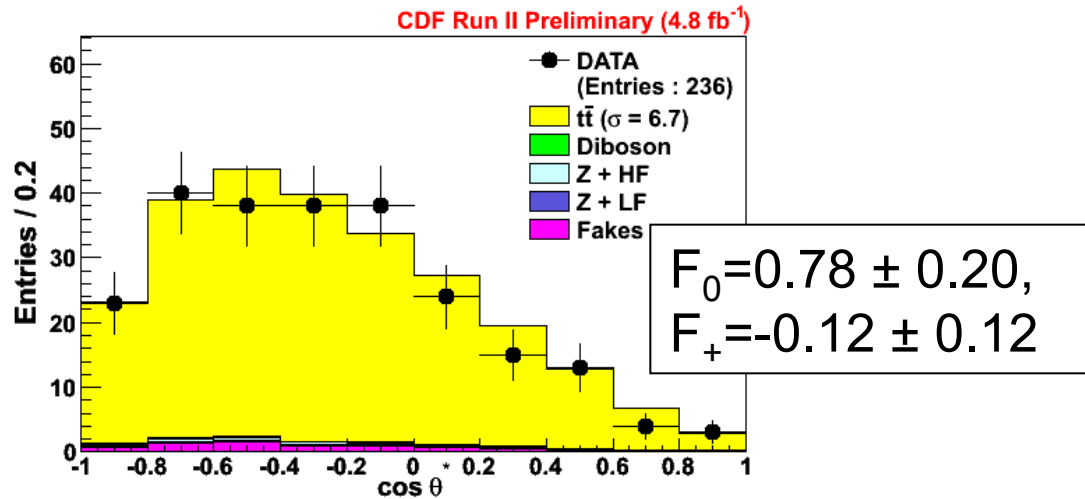
t-W-b coupling via W boson helicity

- sm predicts V-A coupling at W-t-b
 → helicity of W boson
 $F_0 = 0.7$, $F_- = 0.3$, $F_+ = 0.0$
 (longitudinal, left-handed, right-handed)
 (V+A: $F_0 = 0.7$, $F_+ = 0.3$)
- model-independent measurement based on reconstruction of $\cos\theta^*$ distribution - angle between down-type fermion and top quark in the W boson rest frame
 - distribution of $\cos\theta^*$ depends on the W boson helicity fractions



W boson helicity – what do the data tell us?

- SM: $F_0 = 0.7$, $F_- = 0.3$, $F_+ = 0.0$
(longitudinal, left-handed, right-handed)



anomalous t-W-b couplings

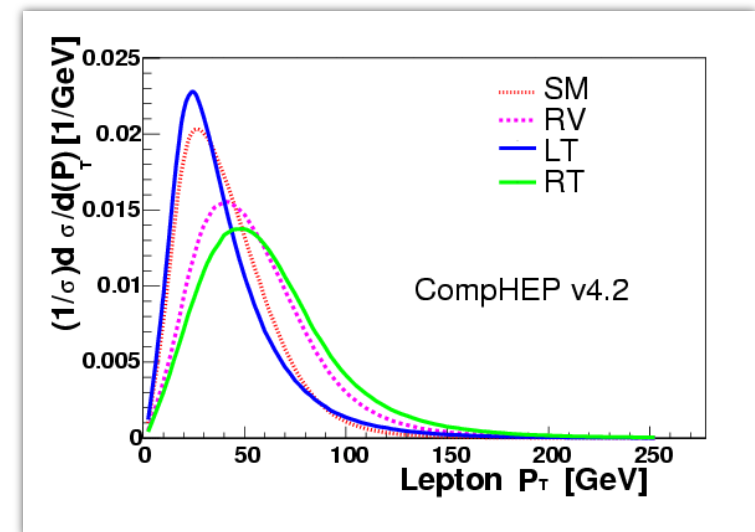
- Left & Right handed Vector and Tensor couplings

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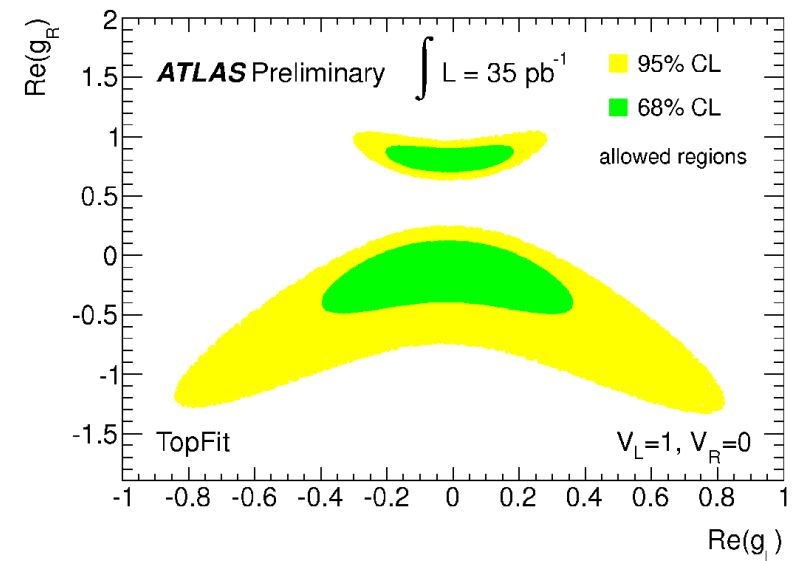
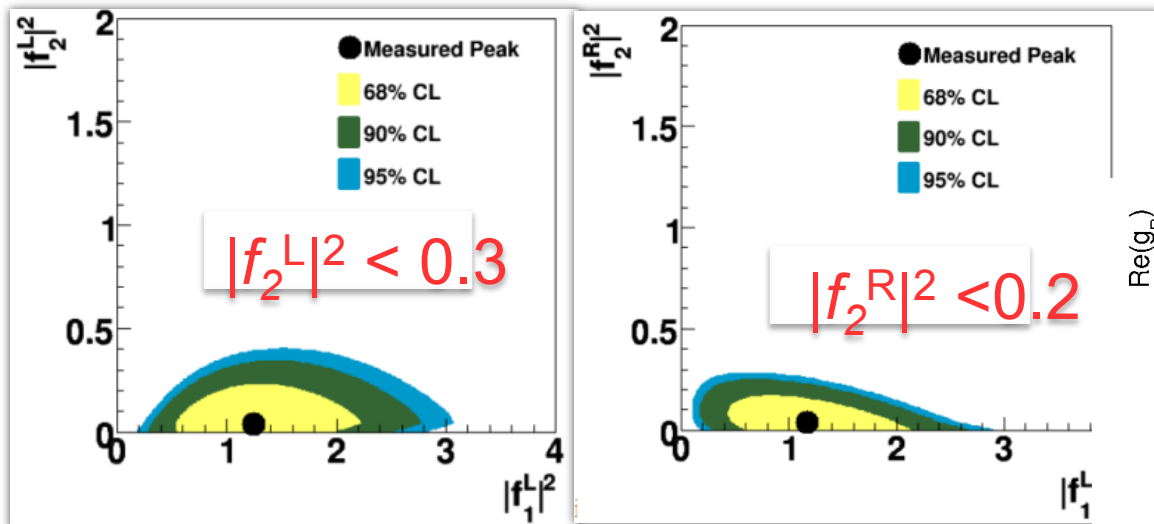
- presence of anomalous couplings changes the production cross-section, and kinematics and angular distributions

s-channel("tb")



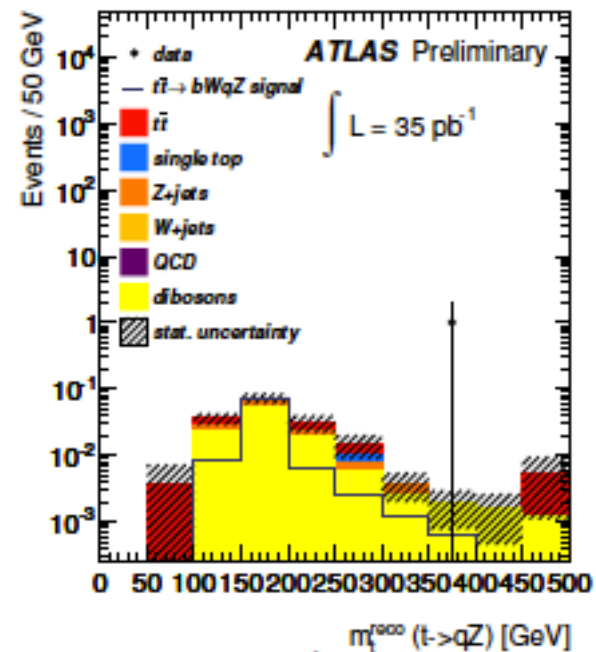
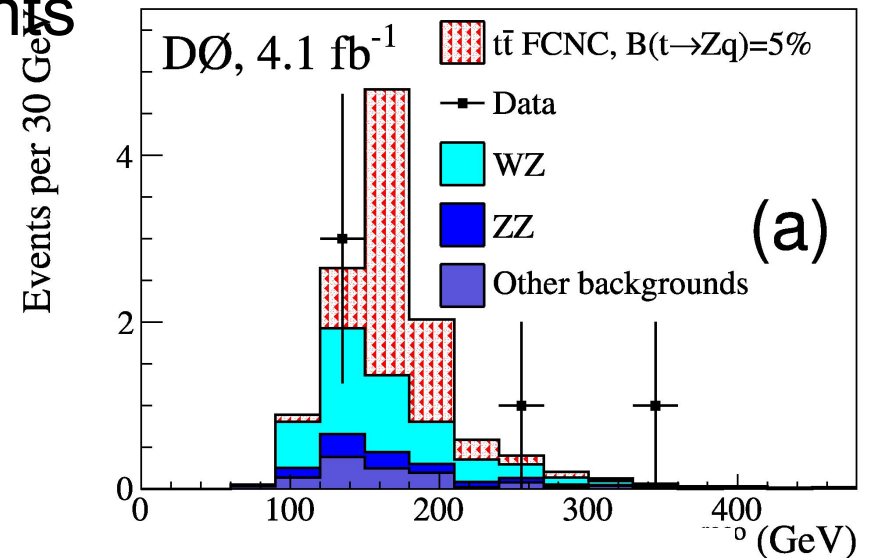
anomalous t-W-b couplings

- Limits on tensor couplings:
- Dzero analysis use single top and top pair events
- ATLAS analysis based on top pair events



FCNC decays of top quarks

- flavor changing neutral currents
 - highly suppressed in sm
- Search for $t \rightarrow Zq$
 - Dilepton+jets (CDF, 1.9 fb^{-1})
 - $B(t \rightarrow Zq) < 3.7\% \text{ @ } 95\% \text{ CL}$
 - Trilepton+ missingET
 - Dzero, 4.1 fb^{-1}
 - $B(t \rightarrow Zq) < 3.3\%$
 - ATLAS
 - $B(t \rightarrow Zq) < 17\%$
- Search for $qg \rightarrow t \rightarrow Wb$
 - $\sigma \times B(qg \rightarrow t \rightarrow Wb) < 17.3$
 - (all limits at 95% CL)



conclusion

- top quark physics has come a long way since 1995
- Tevatron has delivered 11 fb^{-1} @ 1.96 TeV
 - precision measurements of top quark properties
 - top quark mass measured to 0.6%
 - uncertainties below 1 GeV
- LHC is catching up quickly @ 7 TeV
 - beautiful results with 36 pb^{-1} of data from 2010
 - almost 0.5 fb^{-1} in hand → competitive results very soon
- top production/properties generally consistent with SM
 - some intriguing deviations
 - charge A_{FB}
 - t' search

thank you

and many thanks to Tevatron and LHC
collaborations