Top Quark Properties at the Tevatron

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Top Quark Physics

Tevatron program explores all top properties as well as possible sources of new physics:

top quark **production**

- top pair production

- Single top production

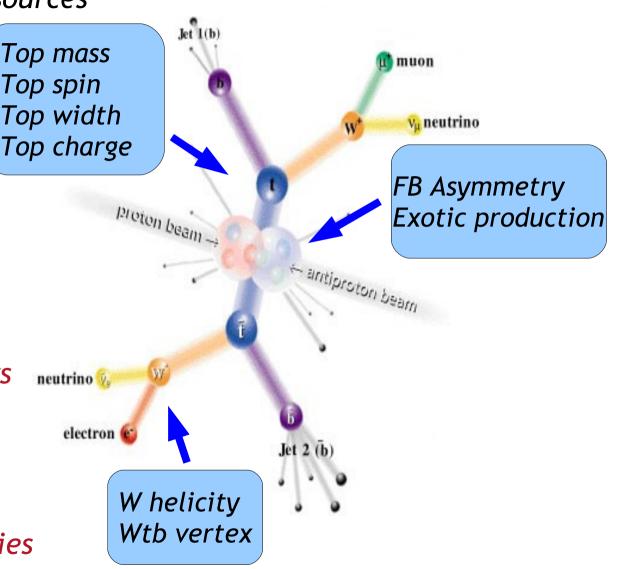
top quark properties
- Mass, spin, width, charge

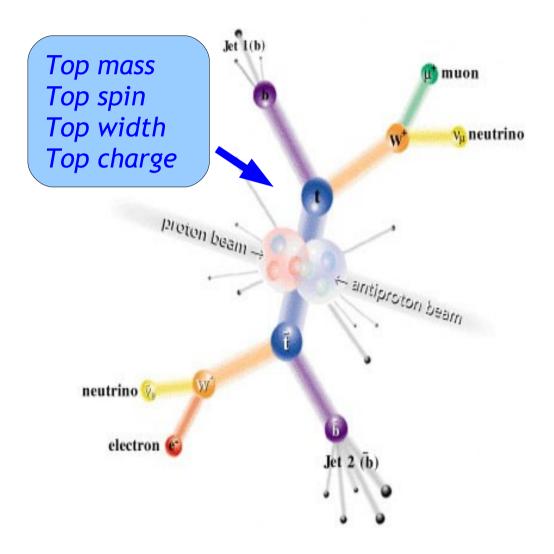
top quark **decay**

- W boson helicity in top decays
- Probe the W-t-b vertex

Exotic sources of top quarks

- Non SM top
- Forward-backward asymmetries



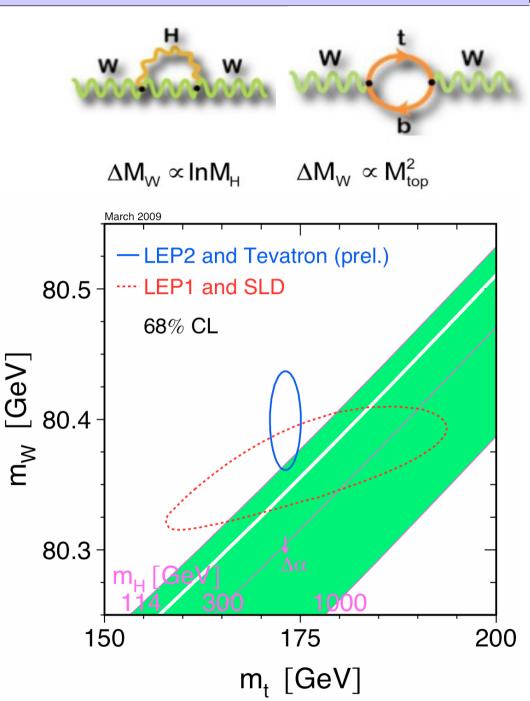


Top Quark Mass

Top quark mass is a fundamental parameter of the Standard Model

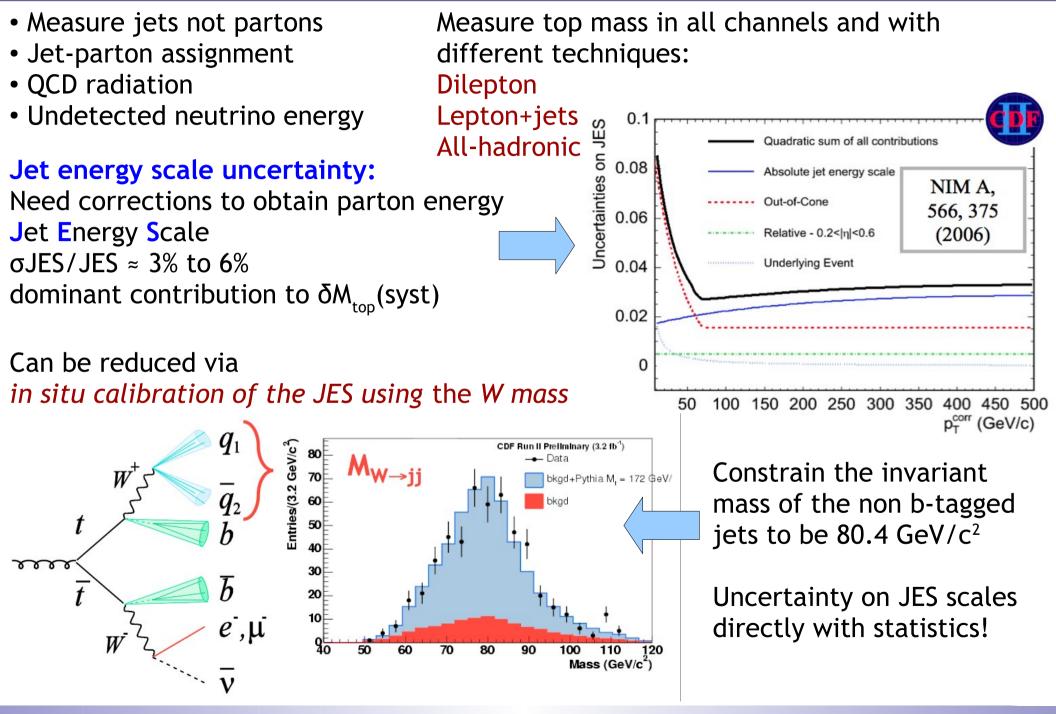
Since M_{top} is very large, quantum loops involving top quarks are important when calculating precision observables

Measuring the *W* boson mass and top quark mass precisely allows for prediction of the mass of the Higgs boson (...if it exists!) and constrain new physics



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Experimental Challenges



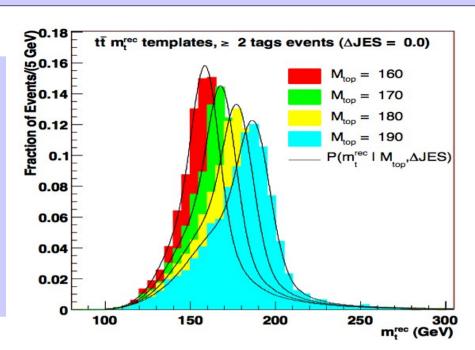
High Precision Mass Measurement at CDF

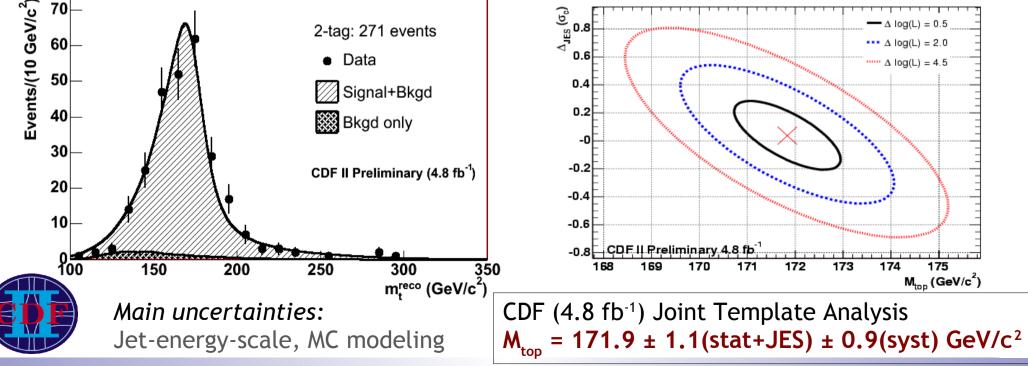
CDF Dilepton and Lepton+Jets combination

Template Method:

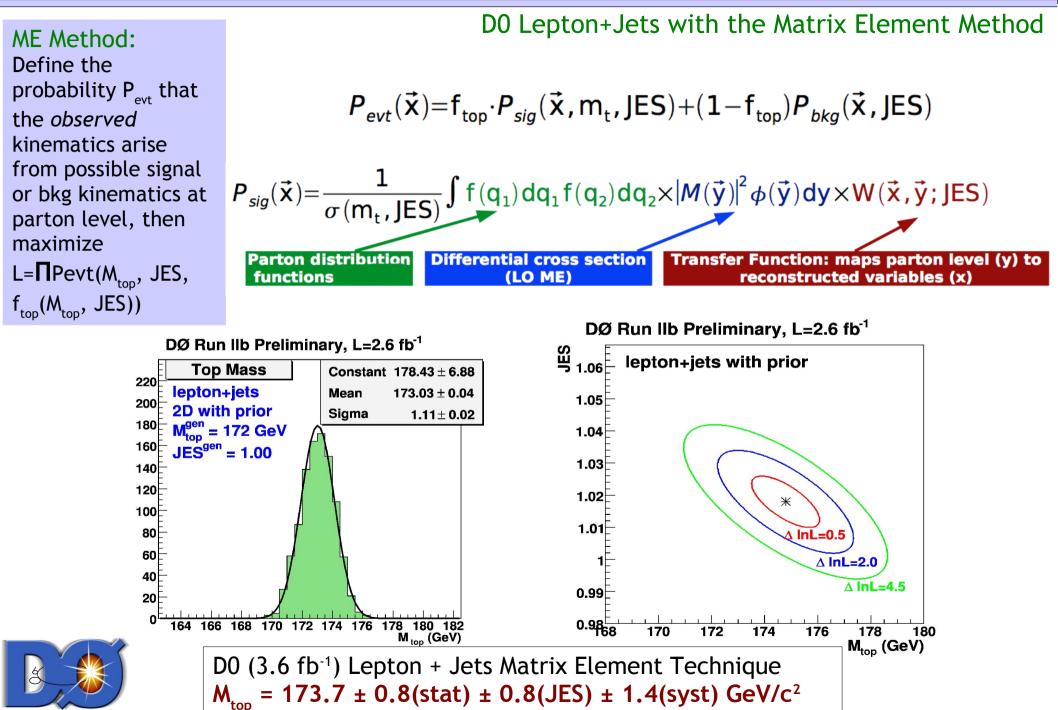
Consider a set of observables x sensitive to M_{top} . Evaluate and plot the set for each event \rightarrow "Templates" Maximize a likelihood where *observed* distributions are compared to expectations for different M_{top} and signal fractions f_{tthar}

$$\mathcal{L}_{ ext{sample}} \propto \prod_{events} \prod_{ec{x}} \mathcal{L}_{ ext{shape}}(oldsymbol{x}_i | oldsymbol{f}_{tar{t}}, M_{top})$$

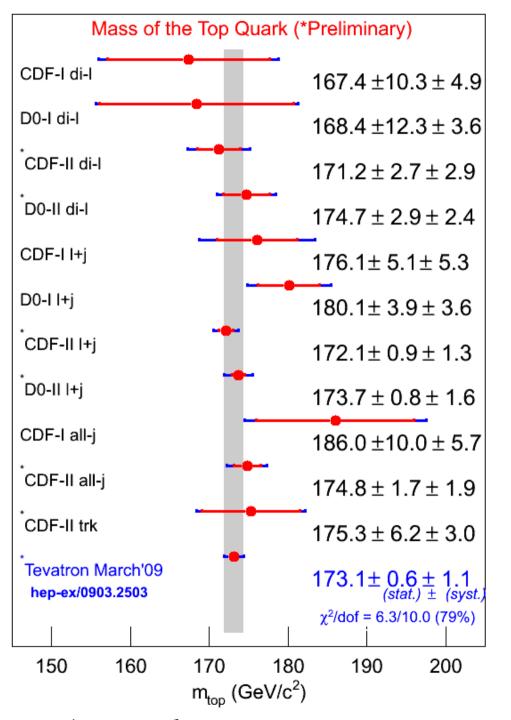




High Precision Mass Measurement at DO



Tevatron Combination



Tevatron (March 2009): $M_{top} = 173.1 \pm 0.6 \text{ (stat)} \pm 1.1 \text{ (syst) } \text{GeV/c}^2$

Best results of each experiment in each channel from Run I and Run II combined

Results from different channels and methods are consistent

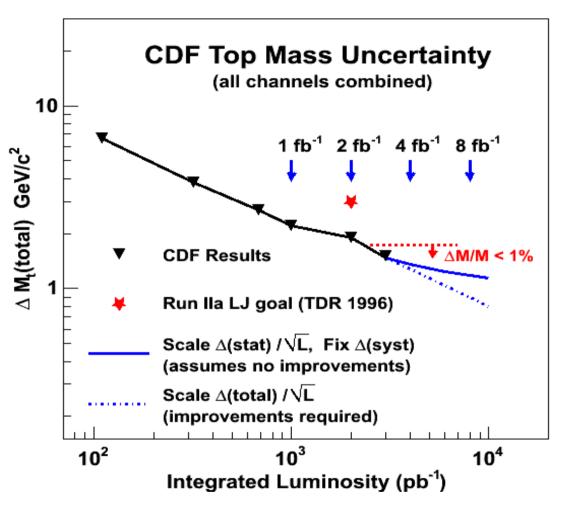
Take into account the statistical and systematic uncertainties and their correlations (NIM A270 (1988) 110, NIM A500 (2003) 391)

Precision now limited mainly by systematic uncertainties

Joint effort on improving knowledge of systematics

Top Mass projections

CDF example



Magnitude of systematic uncertainties are comparable, dominated by sources which should continue to scale with the statistics of the sample.

Top quark mass precision for single measurement already well beyond RunII goals

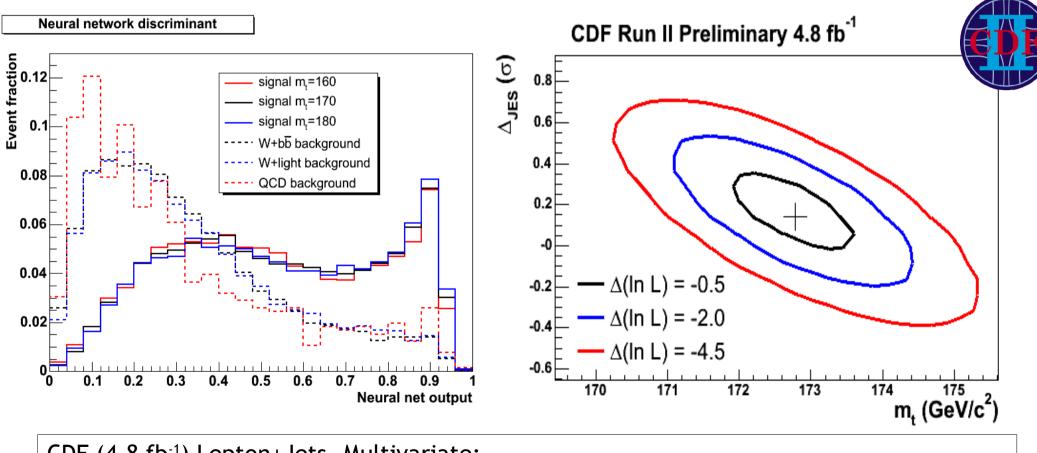
Dilepton and Lepton+Jets

Systematics Source	ΔM_{top} [GeV]
JES	0.6
Generator	0.6
PDFs	0.1
b jet energy	0.3
Bakground shape	0.1
gg fraction	<0.1
Radiation	0.1
MC statistics	0.1
Lepton energy	<0.1
МНІ	0.1
Color Reconnection	0.2
Total	0.9

Brand New Top Mass Measurement from CDF

1 week ago, a new CDF measurement of the top quark mass has been approved This is the most precise measurement ever done, even more precise than the world average

The technique used is similar to the Matrix Element Method Uses a Neural Network discriminant to distinguish signal and background

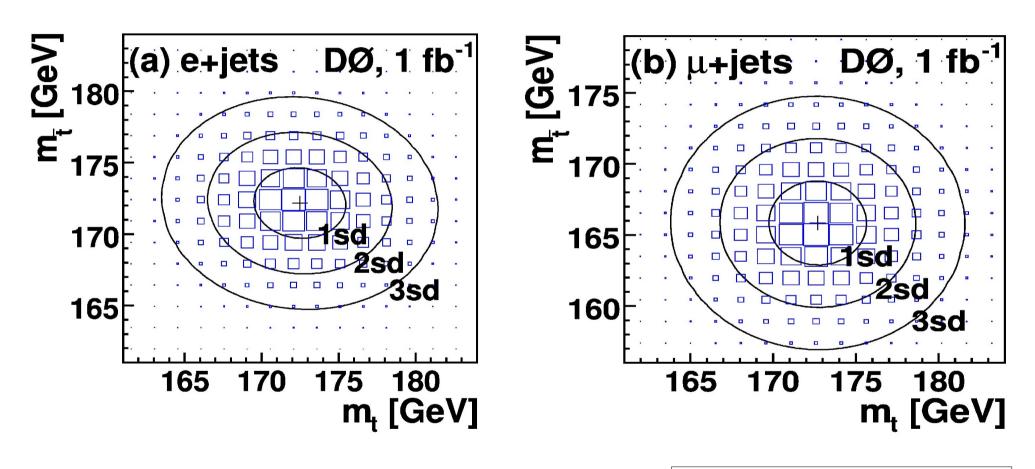


CDF (4.8 fb⁻¹) Lepton+Jets, Multivariate: $M_{top} = 172.8 \pm 0.7 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.6 \text{ (JES)} \pm 0.8 \text{ (syst)} \text{ GeV/c}^2 = 172.8 \pm 1.3 \text{ (total)} \text{ GeV/c}^2$

Direct measurement of top antitop mass difference

Mass difference would imply *CPT-violation* Measured in lepton + jets events (ME technique)





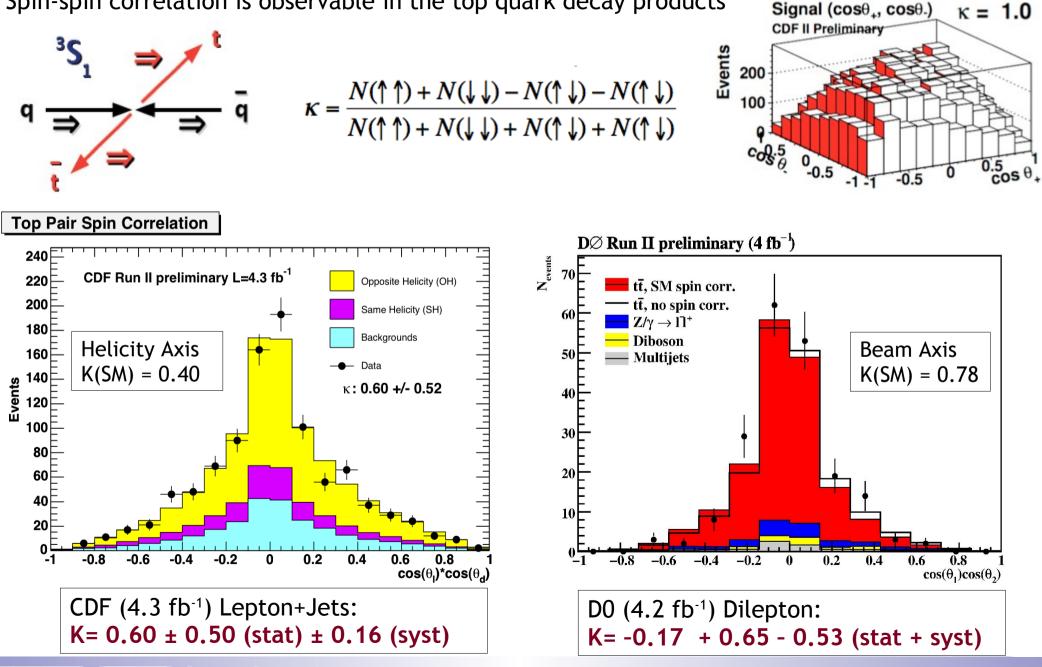
First time measured for a "bare quark" Consistent with SM expectations PRL 103, 132001 (2009)

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D0 (1 fb⁻¹): $\Delta M_{top} = 3.8 \pm 3.7 \text{ GeV/c}^2$ Statistics limited

Top Antitop Spin correlations

Top spins are correlated only if *top lifetime is short enough* Spin-spin correlation is observable in the top quark decay products



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Top Quark Width

Short lifetime of top quark decay results in large width Γ_{sm} ~1.5 GeV

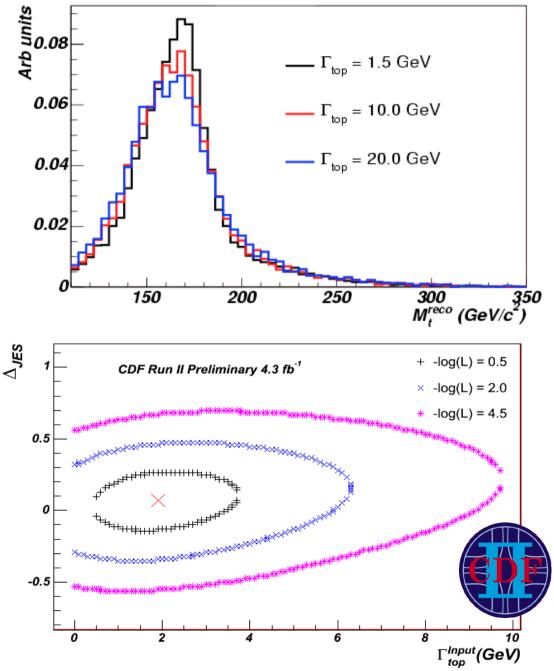
Deviation from SM could indicate presence of $t \rightarrow bH + etc$.

Different width would change top mass line shape \rightarrow use templates

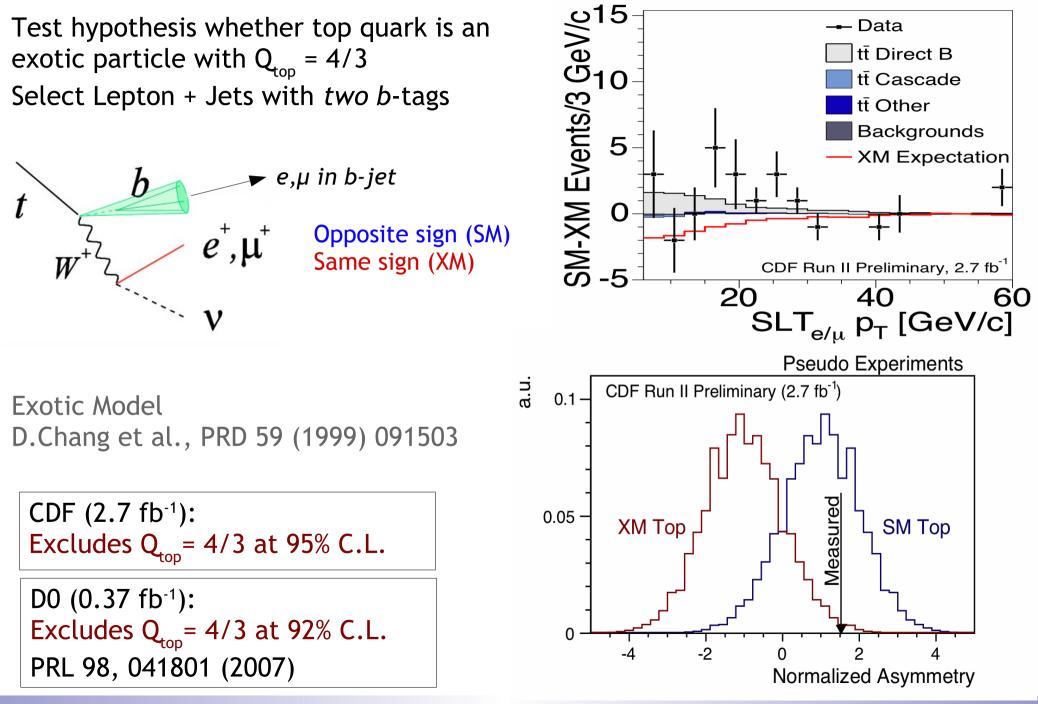
Method comes from top mass analysis, uses in situ calibration of JES

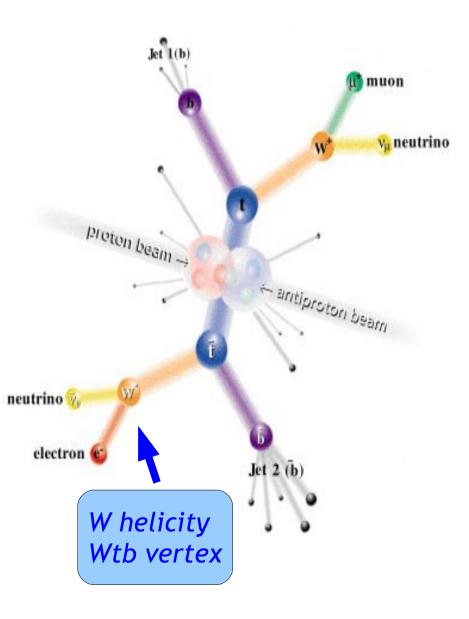
Dominating source of systematic uncertainty becomes jet resolution

CDF (4.3 fb⁻¹): Γ_{top} < 7.5 GeV at 95% C.L.



Top Quark Charge

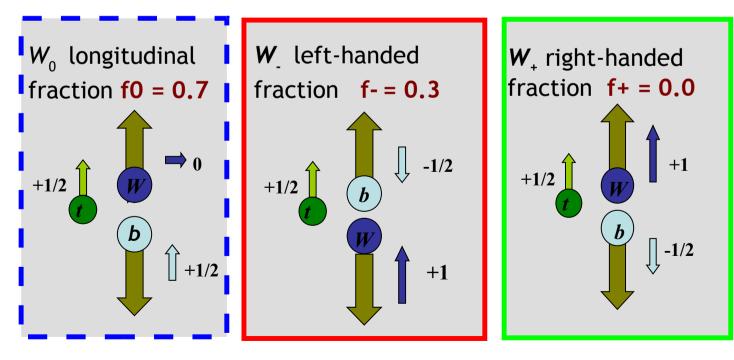


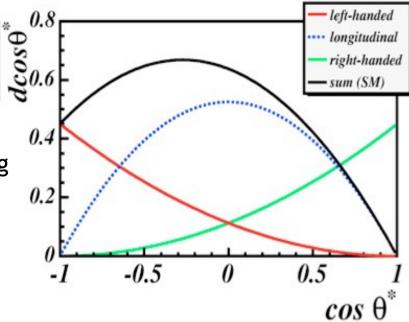


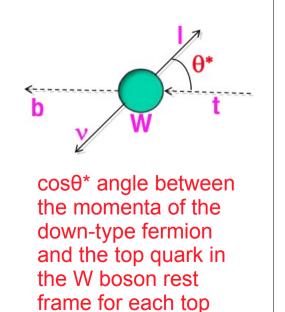
W boson helicity in Top Quark Decay

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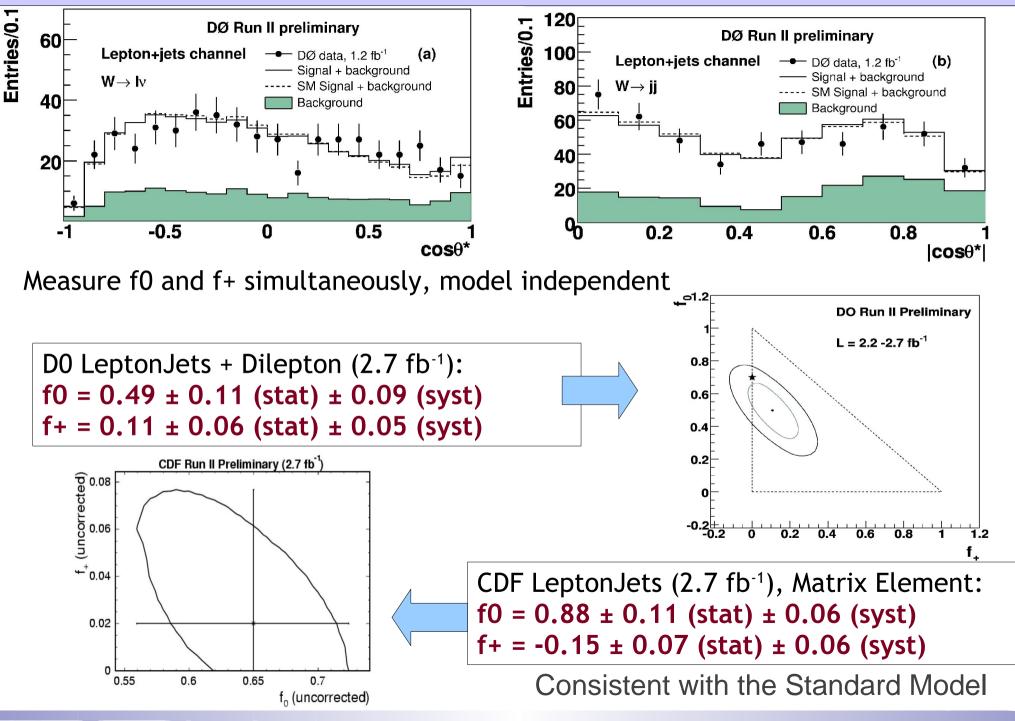
- Examines the nature of the tWb vertex, probing the structure of weak interactions near the Electro-Weak Symmetry Breaking scale
- Stringent test of V-A interaction in SM
- Standard Model predicts purely left handed tWb coupling
- model-independent measurement based on reconstruction of $\cos\theta^*$ distribution
- \bullet distribution of $cos\theta^*$ depends on the W helicity fractions







W boson helicity fractions



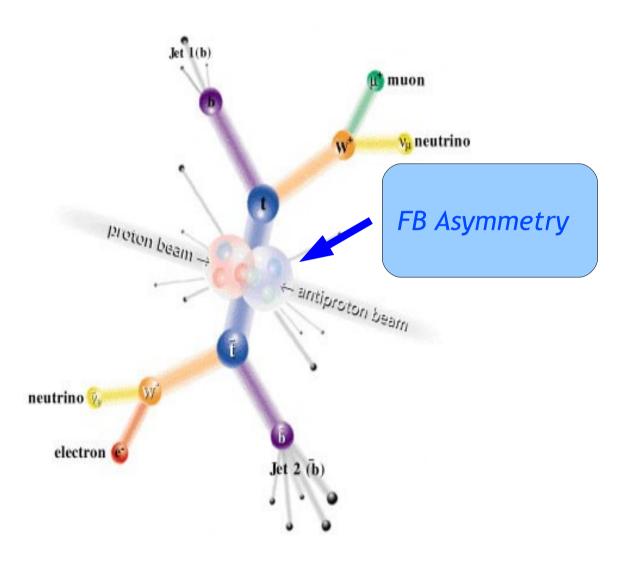
Anomalous Wtb coupling

Constrain form factors for anomalous tWb coupling Combine information from single top production and W helicity measurement from ttbar decay

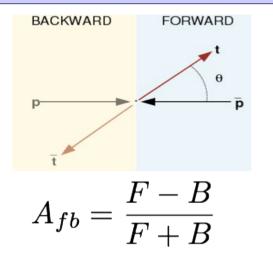
$$L_{tWb} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_{\mu}^{-} \overline{b} \gamma^{\mu} \left(f_{1}^{L} P_{L} + f_{1}^{R} P_{R} \right) t - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2} M_{W}} \partial_{v} W_{\mu}^{-} \overline{b} \sigma^{\mu v} \left(f_{2}^{L} P_{L} + f_{2}^{R} P_{R} \right) t$$

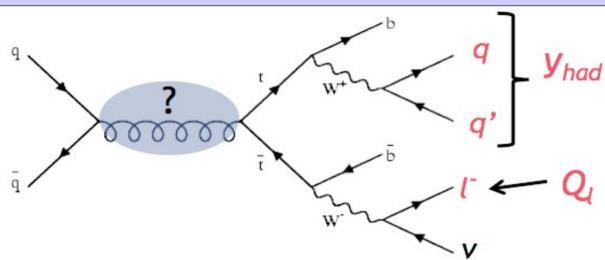
In Standard Model: $f_{1}^{L} = 1$, $f_{2}^{L} = f_{1}^{R} = f_{2}^{R} = 0$

$$\frac{g}{4} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{Dg}{Preliminary} \underbrace{0.9-2.7 \text{ fb}^{\dagger}}_{0.5} \underbrace{0}_{0.5} \underbrace{0}_{$$



Forward Backward Asymmetry





Events

New physics could give rise to asymmetry (Z',axigluons,..)

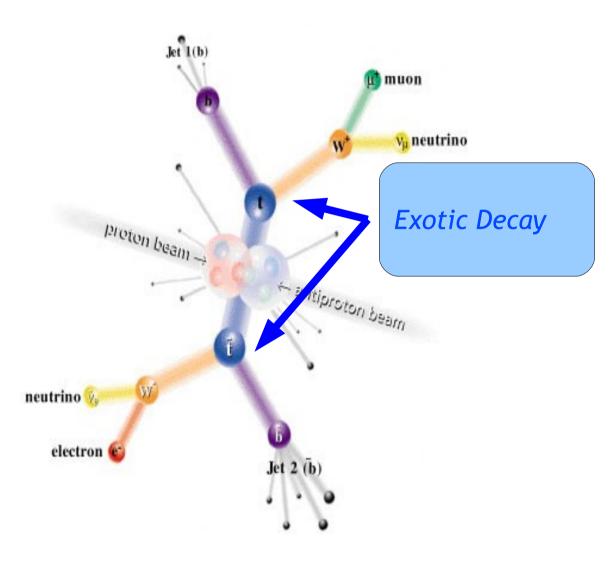
Standard Model predicts NLO QCD: Afb = 0.05 ± 0.015

CDF (3.2 fb⁻¹): Afb = 0.19 ± 0.07 (stat) ± 0.02 (syst)

D0 (1.0 fb⁻¹): Afb det = 0.12 ± 0.08 (stat) ± 0.01 (syst)

PRL 100, 142002 (2008)

Reconstructed Top Rapidity Data = 0.098 ± 0.036 200 776 events $\frac{Sig+Bkg}{2}$ = -0.019 ± 0.0026 Signal + Bkg 180 Bkg = -0.059 ± 0.0079 776 events 160 CDF II Preliminary Bkg $L = 3.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ 167 events 140 120 100 80 60 40 20 1.5 -Q_I*y_{had} 0<u>_</u>2 -1.5 -0.5 0.5 -1 0 1

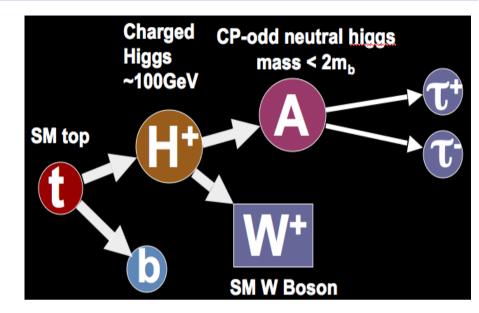


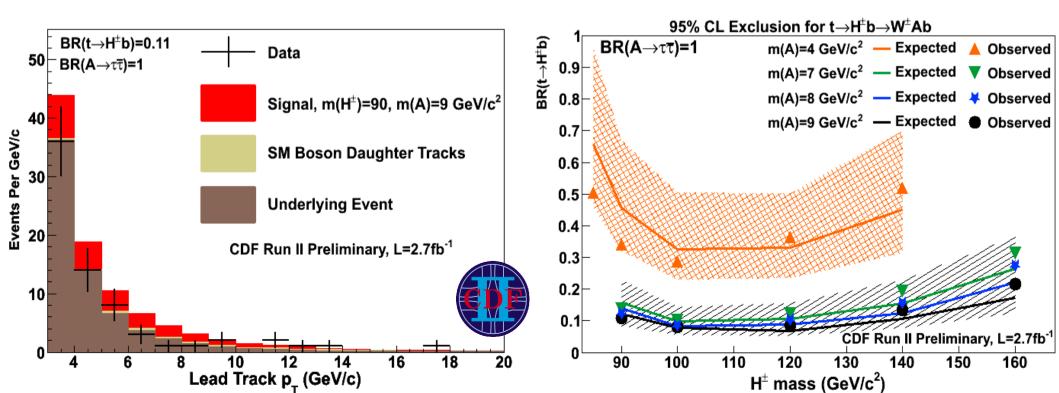
Search for NMSSM Higgs in Top Quark Decays

• If a charged higgs of around $\sim 100 \text{GeV/c}^2$ exists, then the branching ratio of top to charged higgs may be LARGE (as high as 10 to 40%)

• This search assumes $m_A < 2m_b$, a region in parameter space not yet experimentally excluded

• Taus should leave low pT isolated tracks in top events

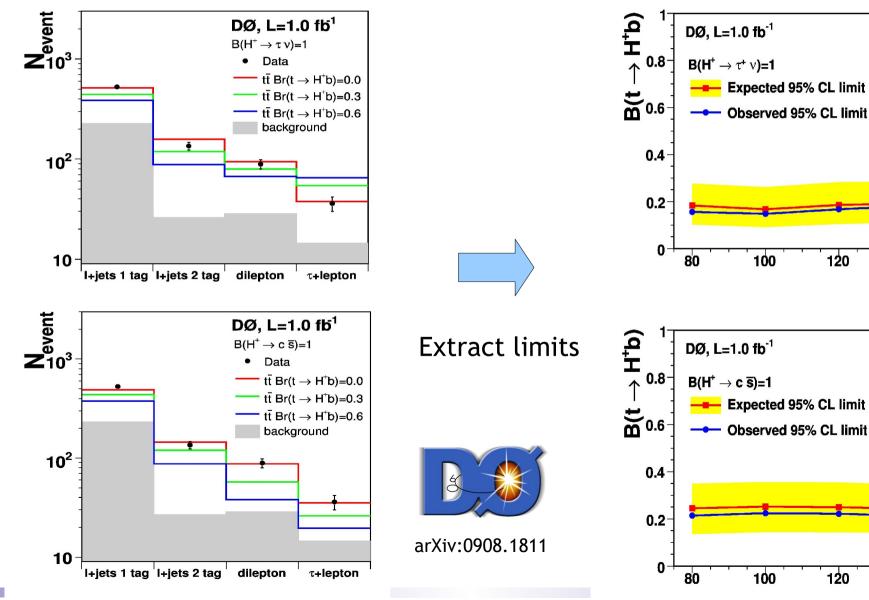




Search for Charged Higgs in Top Decay

If kinematically allowed, $t \rightarrow H+b$ happens in SUSY Charged Higgs decay: $H+ \rightarrow cs$ or $H+ \rightarrow \tau v$

- Branching ratios depend on tanB



Observable: Altered rates in final states: L+jets *to* Dilepton *to* τ + X

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M_{H⁺} [GeV]

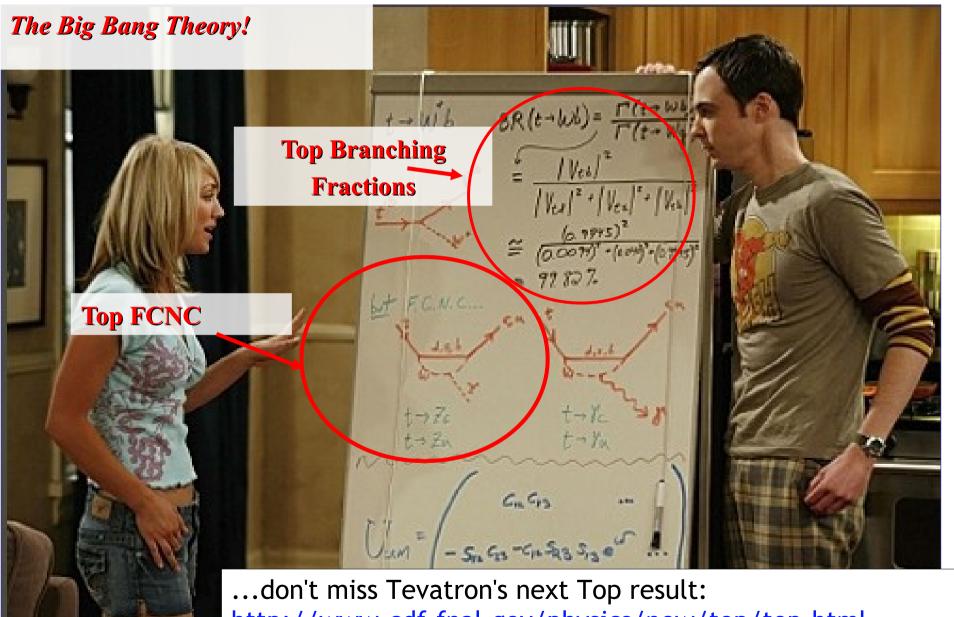
M_{H⁺} [GeV]

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- Top quark physics is a rich field in HEP and a broad top physics program is in progress at the Tevatron
- Top quark mass measurements
 - Most measurements are systematically limited
 - Mass measured to <1% precision for single analysis
- So far, top quark data is consistent with the SM
- Tevatron expects to double data sets if running through 2011
- We expect improvements in our understanding of top phyisics!
- With the LHC, an huge top quark factory is beginning operations and top physics will continue to play a significant role:
 - Understanding of systematic uncertainties would become crucial
 - Top is a standard candle, tool for calibrating JES, b-tagging

Top Quark is on prime time!



http://www-cdf.fnal.gov/physics/new/top/top.html http://www-d0.fnal.gov/Run2Physics/WWW/results/top.htm