

# Top quark physics at CDF: status and prospects

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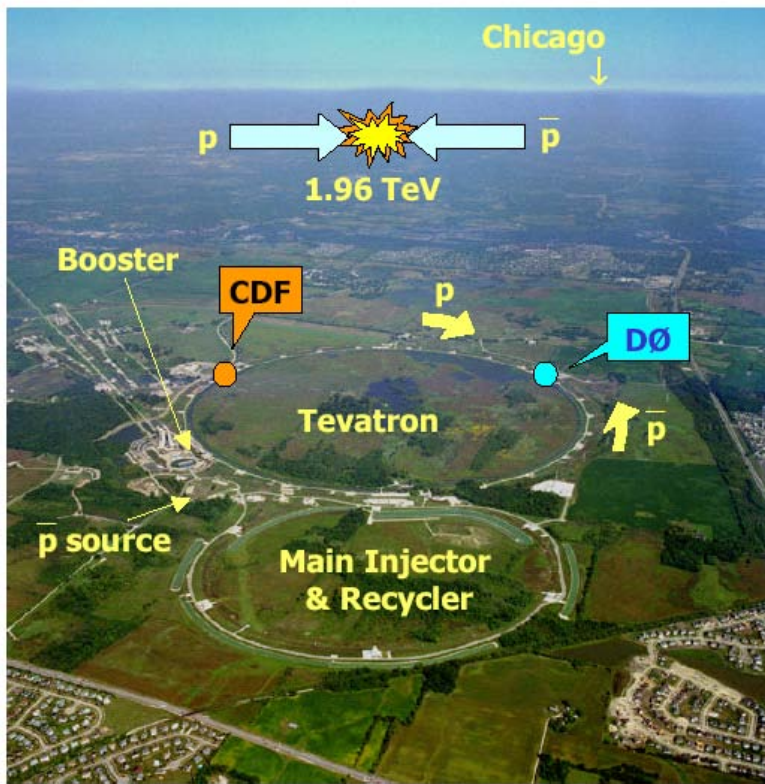
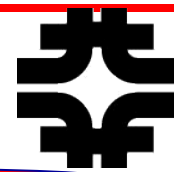




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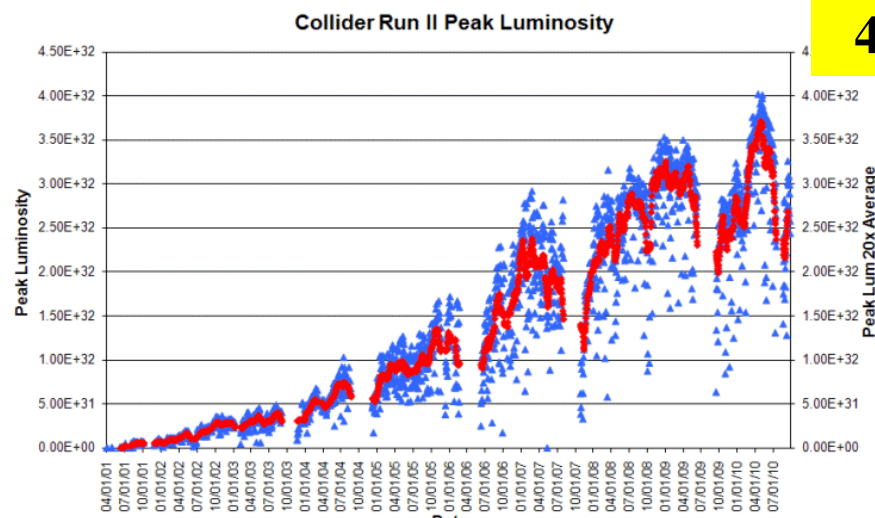
- The Tevatron & CDF
- Exploring top quark physics at the Tevatron:
  - ✓ Pair production cross section
  - ✓ Single top production
  - ✓ Top mass and other properties
  - ✓ Search for new physics in top sample
- Prospects & Conclusion

# Tevatron Performances



Run II:  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96 \text{ TeV}$

Performances have kept improving since the start of Run II.



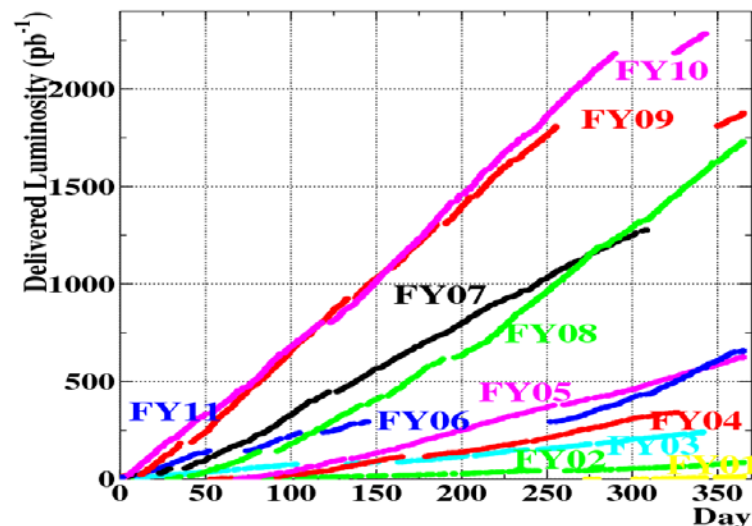
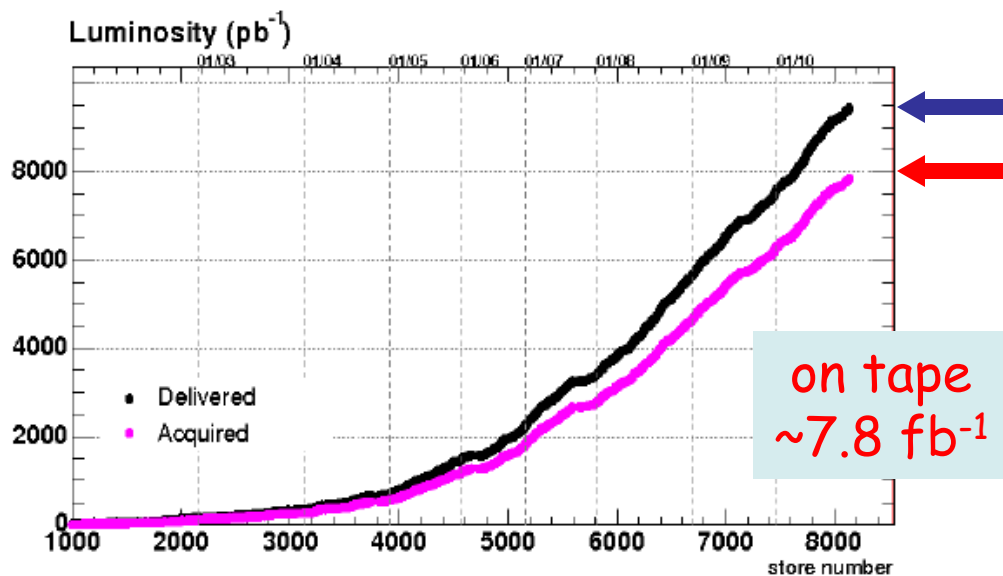
Peak luminosity

$4 \times 10^{32}$

Accelerator complex breaking records all the time:  
Peak Luminosity record  $\sim 4 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$   
Weekly integrated luminosity record  $73 \text{ pb}^{-1}$



# Integrated Luminosity



delivered:  $\sim 9.4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Detector running stably since Feb. '02

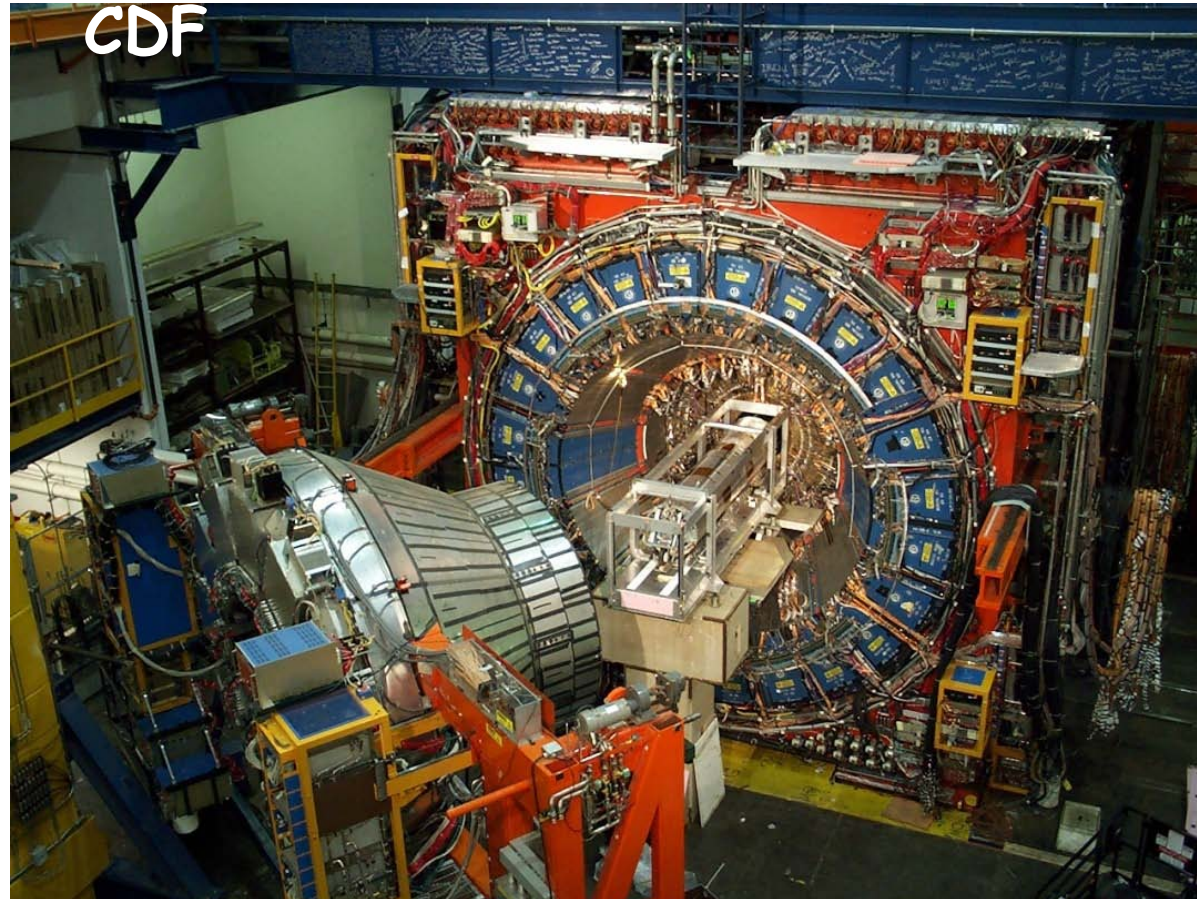
Data taking efficiency  
 $L(\text{recorded})/L(\text{delivered})$   
commonly  $> 85\%$

We have collected  $> 100$  times more data than what was used to discover the top quark.

All results shown in the following based on datasets up to  $5.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



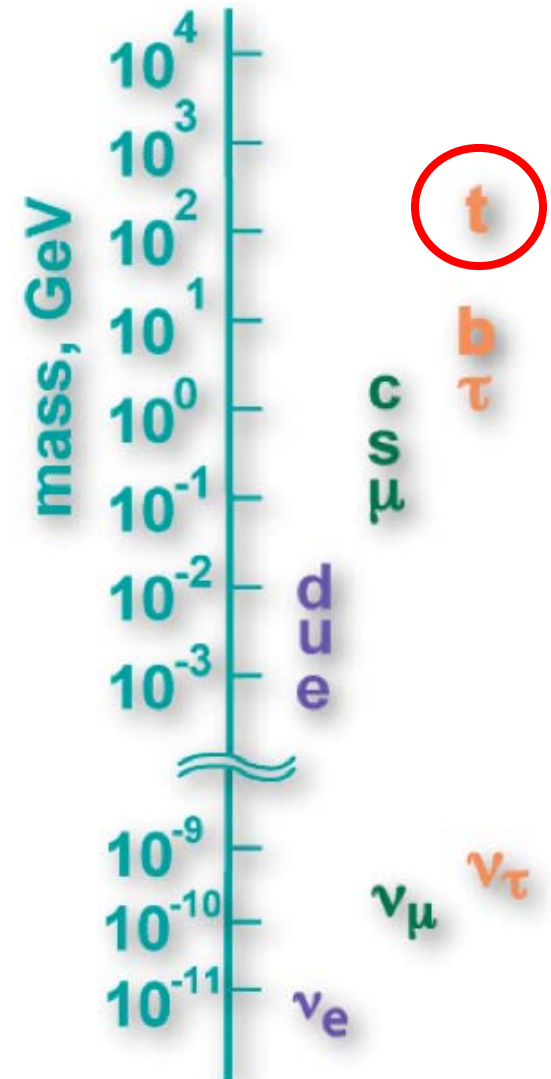
# The CDF Experiment



- CDF is a general purpose detector, capable of many different physics measurements
- Large international collaboration, 500+ members

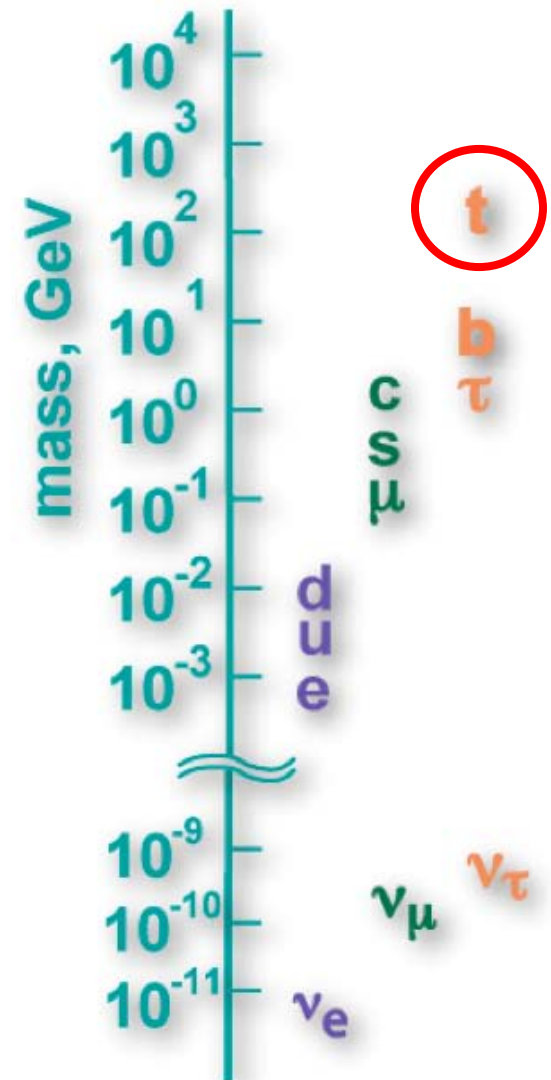
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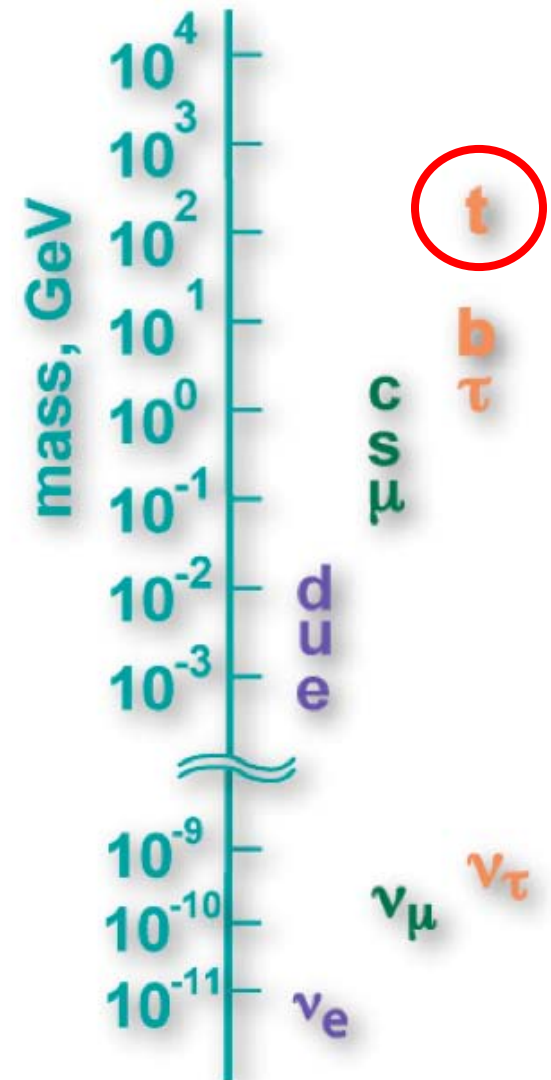
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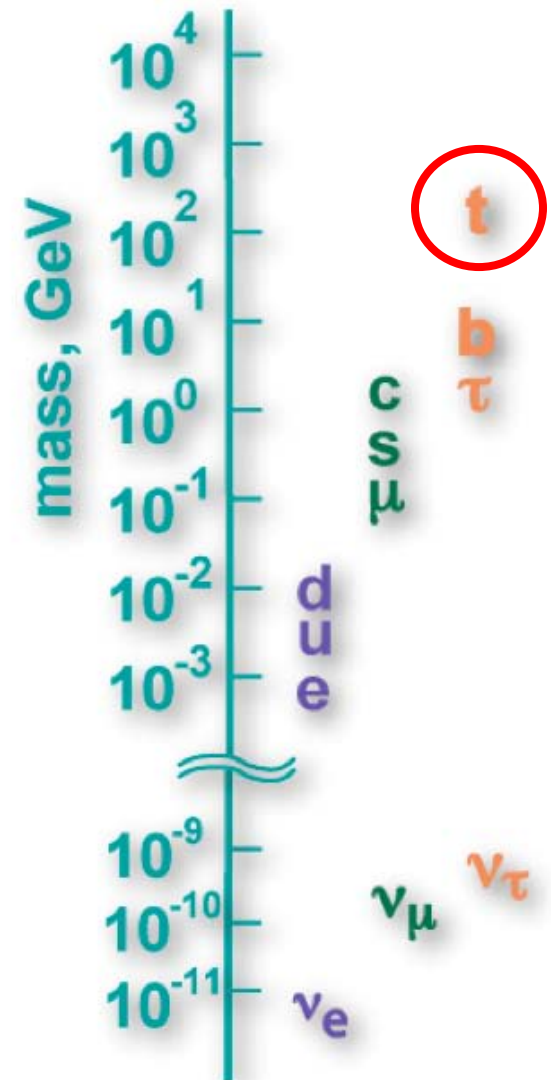
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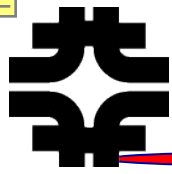




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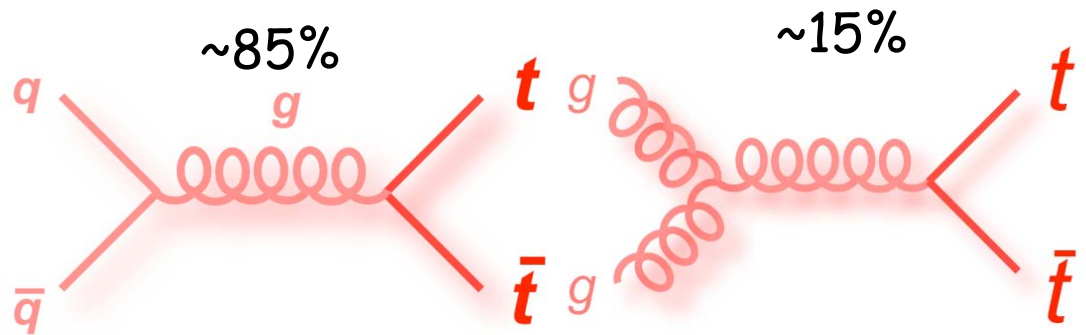
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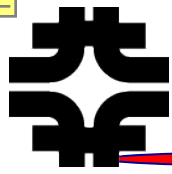
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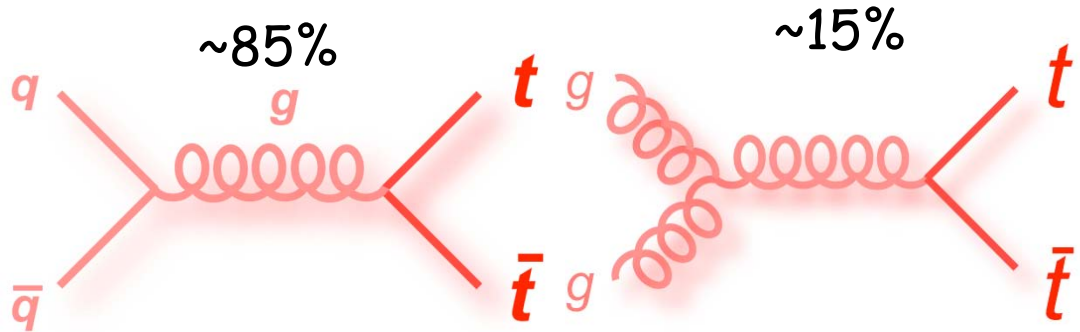
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## EWK single-top production

s-channel:  $\sigma_{\text{NLO}} = 0.9 \text{ pb}$

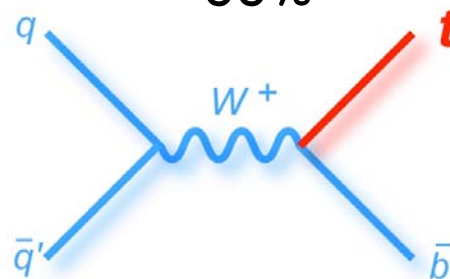
t-channel:  $\sigma_{\text{NLO}} = 2.0 \text{ pb}$

(Both for  $m_{\text{Top}} = 175 \text{ GeV}$ )

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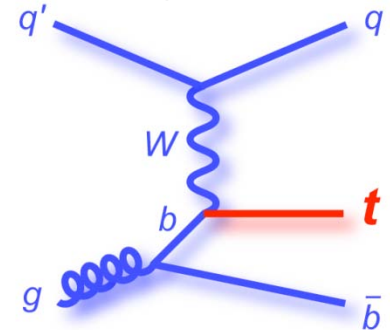
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~33%



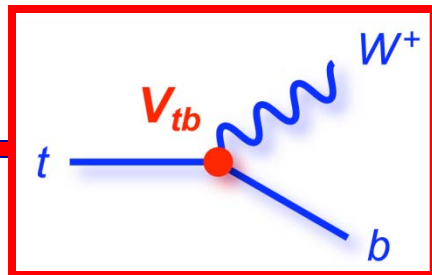
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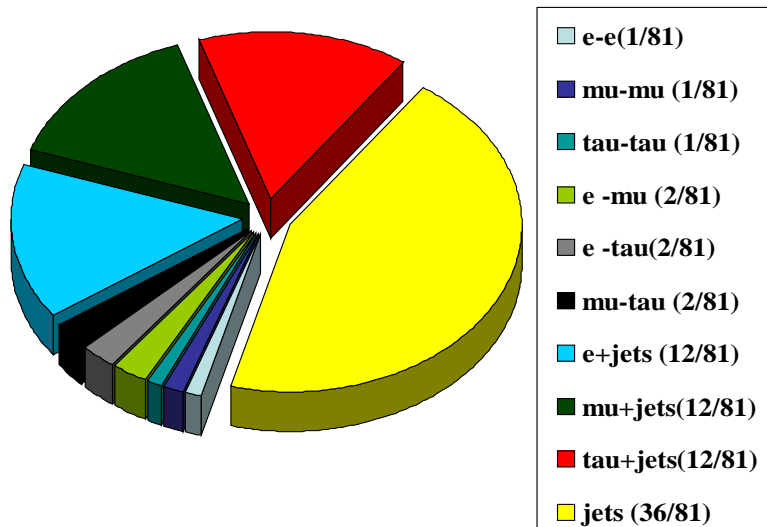


▪  $\sigma$  smaller than top pair production, but  $\rightarrow$  allows direct access to  $V_{tb}$  CKM matrix element: cross section  $\propto |V_{tb}|^2$

# Top Quark Decay



SM predicts  $BR(t \rightarrow Wb) \approx 100\%$



For  $t\bar{t}$  pairs:

Event **topology** determined by the decay modes of the 2  $W$ 's in final state. Always b jets are present

- Dilepton ( $ee, \mu\mu, e\mu$ )

$\Rightarrow BR = 5\%$ , 2 high- $P_T$  leptons + 2 b-jets + large missing- $E_T$

- Lepton (e or  $\mu$ ) + jets

$\Rightarrow BR = 30\%$ , single lepton + 4 jets (2 from b's) + missing- $E_T$

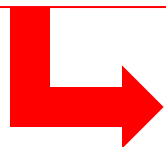
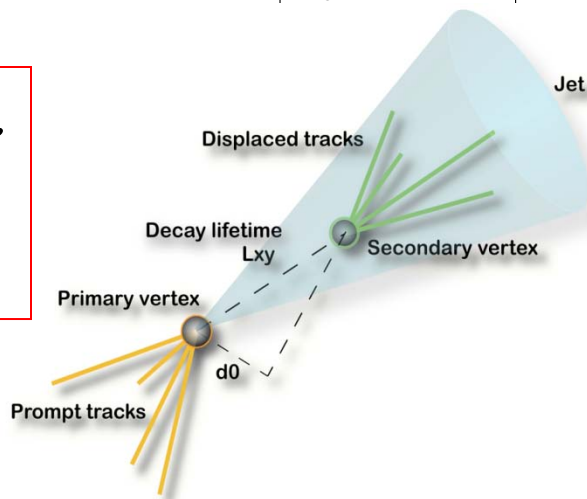
- All Hadronic:

$\Rightarrow BR = 44\%$ , six jets, no missing- $E_T$

- $\tau_{had} + X$

$\Rightarrow BR = 21\%$

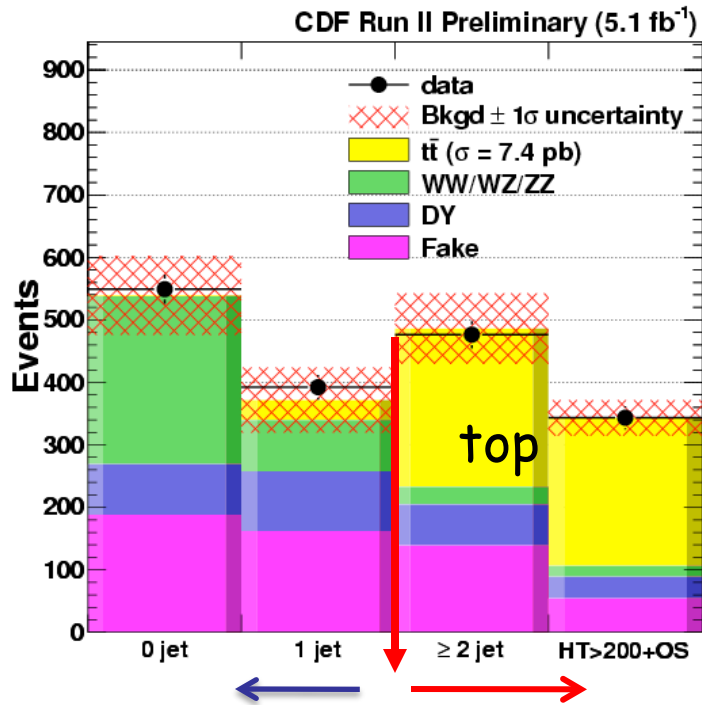
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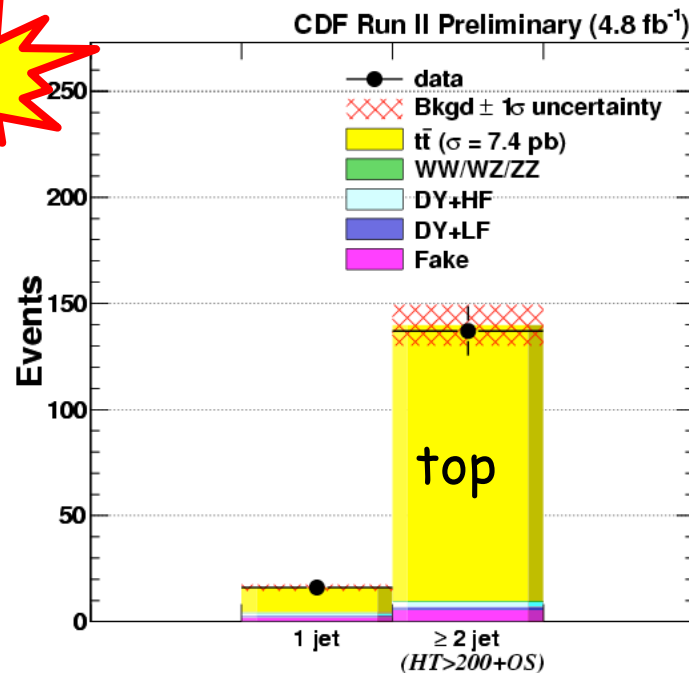
# Top pair production: Dilepton Channel

High purity sample, good test of signal model



Control Signal region

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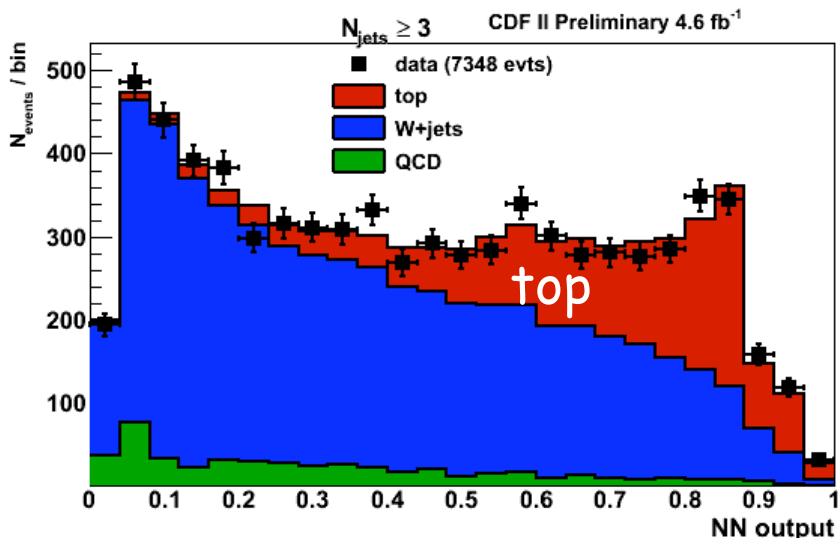
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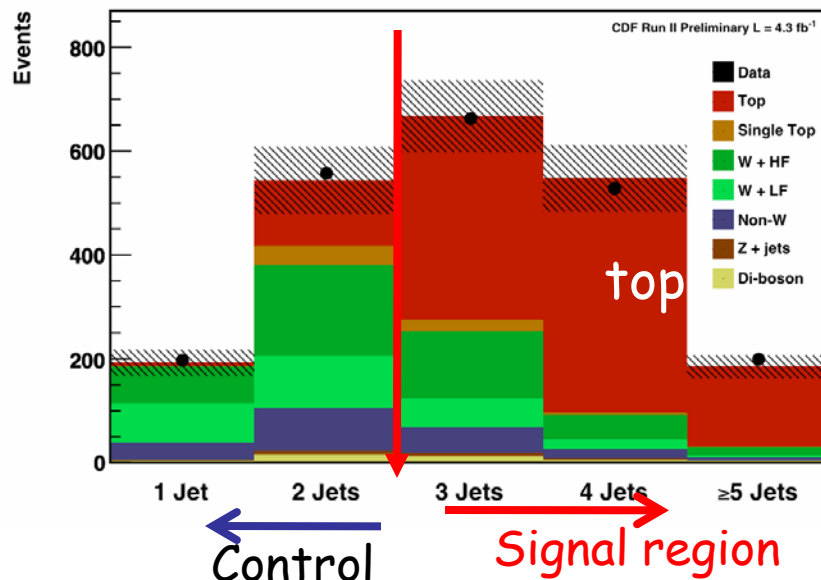


# Top pair production: Lepton + Jets

Pre-tagged sample, NN discriminant



B-tagged sample, counting events



■ **Luminosity** is the largest uncertainty in both measurements (6%)

■ Reduce by normalizing to the measured *Z* cross section

■ Measure *R* and multiply by *Z* cross section from theory:  $\sigma_{tt} = R \cdot \sigma_Z^{\text{theory}}$

CDF (4.6 fb<sup>-1</sup>,  $m_t = 172.5$  GeV), pre-tagged  
 $\sigma_{tt} = 7.82 \pm 0.38(\text{stat}) \pm 0.37(\text{syst}) \pm 0.15(\text{theo})$  pb

CDF (4.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>,  $m_t = 172.5$  GeV), b-tagged:  
 $\sigma_{tt} = 7.32 \pm 0.36(\text{stat}) \pm 0.59(\text{syst}) \pm 0.14(\text{theo})$  pb

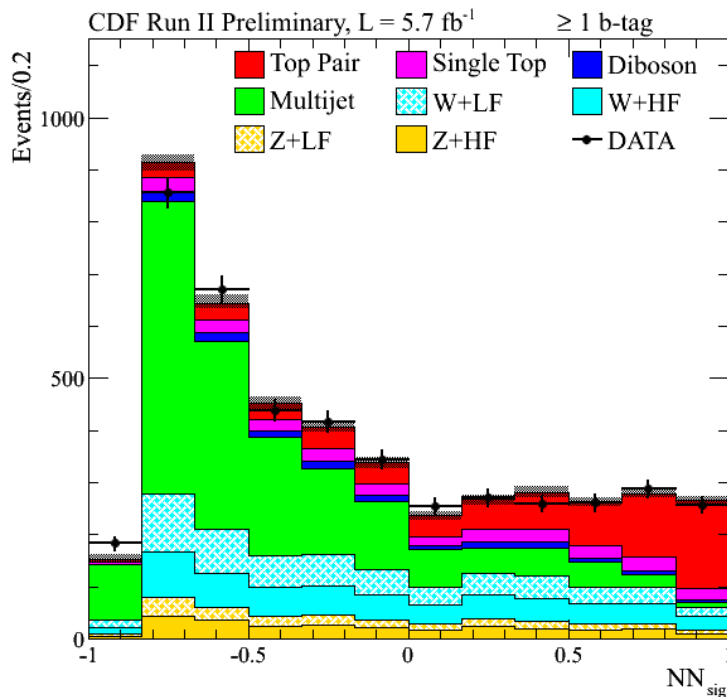
Combined:  $\sigma_{tt} = 7.70 \pm 0.52$  pb

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# Missing energy plus b jets

- MET + jets:
  - ⇒ Independent from "lepton+jets" channel
  - ⇒ Interesting channel to searches for new physics (i.e. low mass Higgs)
- 2 or 3 identified jets, at least one b-tagged jet
- NN trained against QCD background
- Another NN to isolate top pair from remaining background



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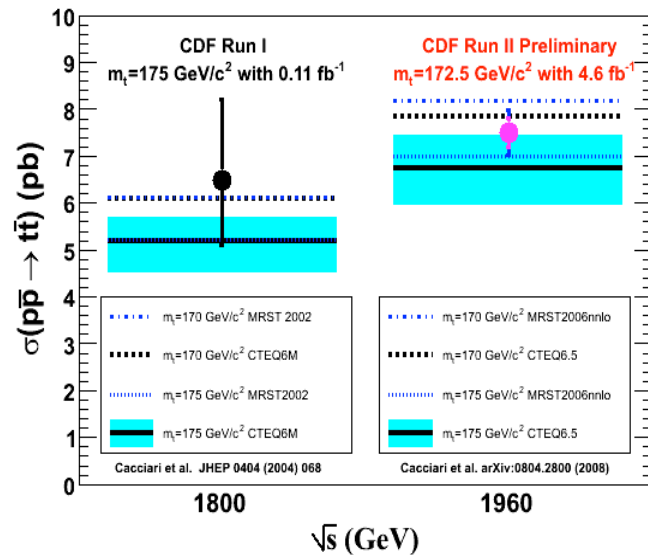
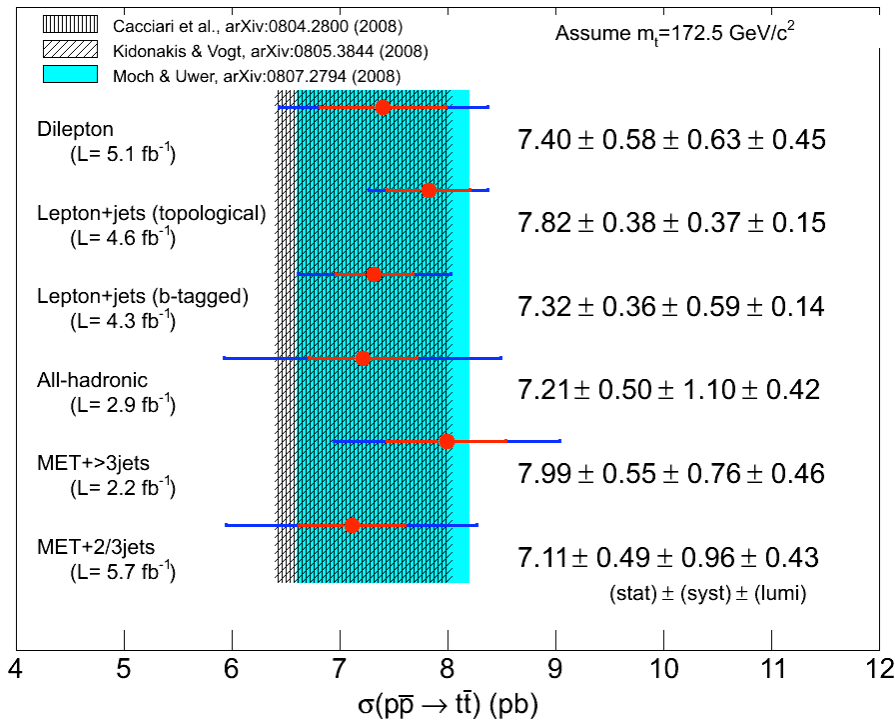
**CDF (5.7 fb<sup>-1</sup>, m<sub>t</sub>= 172.5 GeV):**  
 **$\sigma_{tt} = 7.12^{+1.20}_{-1.12}$  (stat+syst+lumi) pb**

# Measurements of $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$

- Experimental uncertainty:  $\Delta\sigma/\sigma \sim 6.5\%$
- Dominant exp. uncertainties: JES, b-tag accept., W+bjet background
- $\sigma$  is measured in all final states: first step of any analysis studying the top quark properties.
- Tevatron combination underway

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = \frac{N_{Data} - N_{Background}}{Acc \int L dt}$$

Consistent across channels, methods

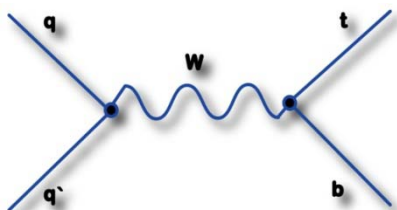




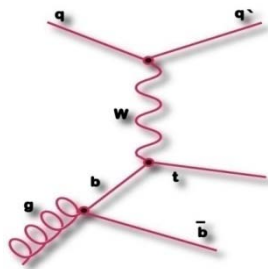


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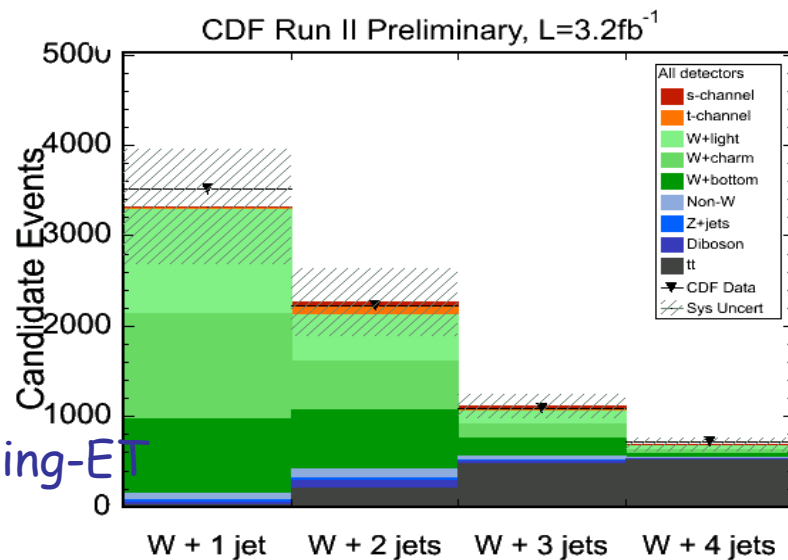


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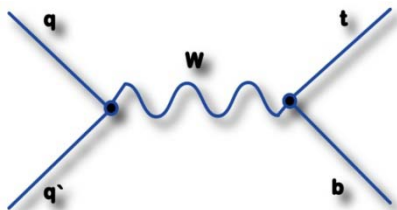
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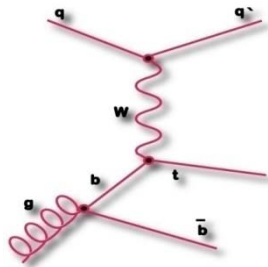


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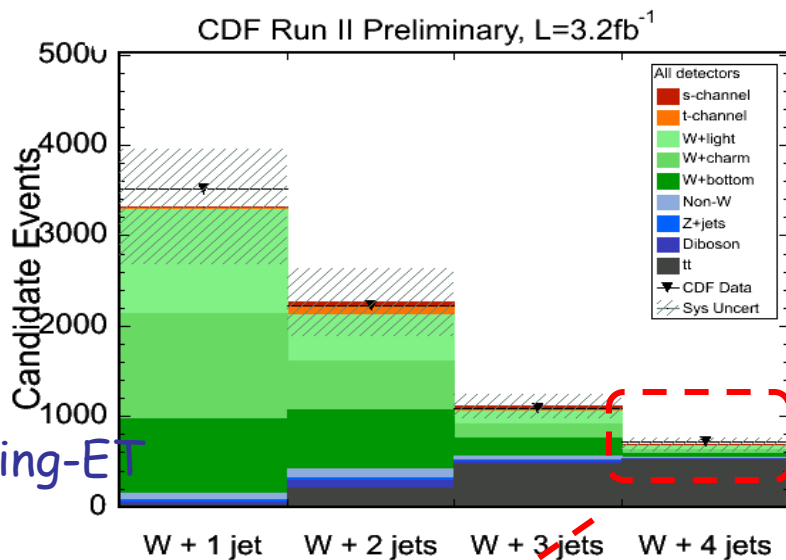


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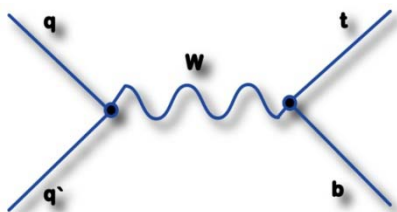
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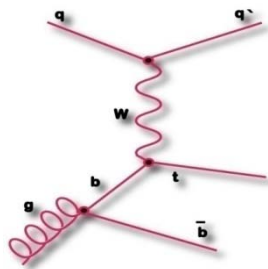
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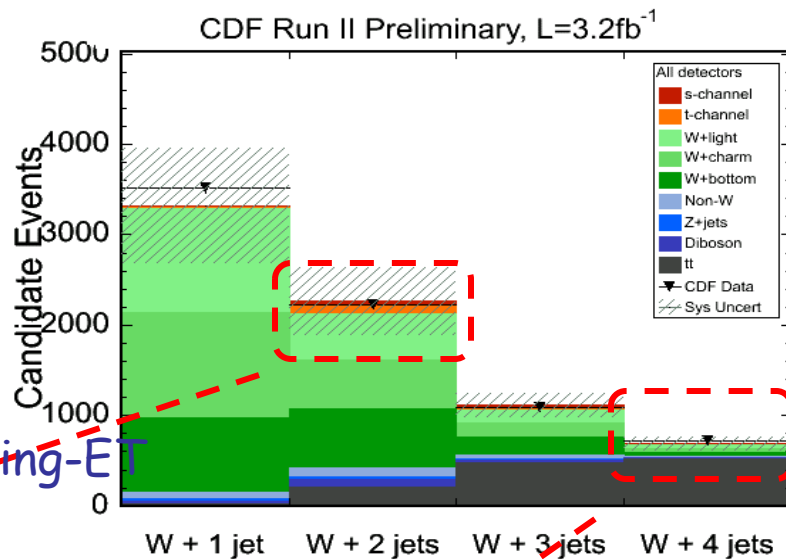
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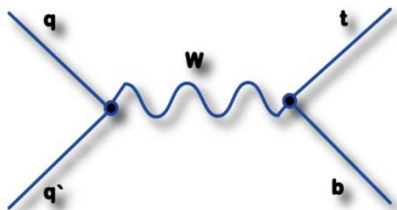
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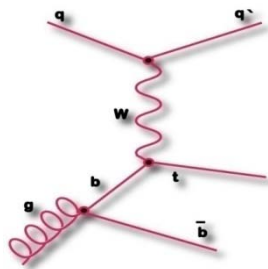


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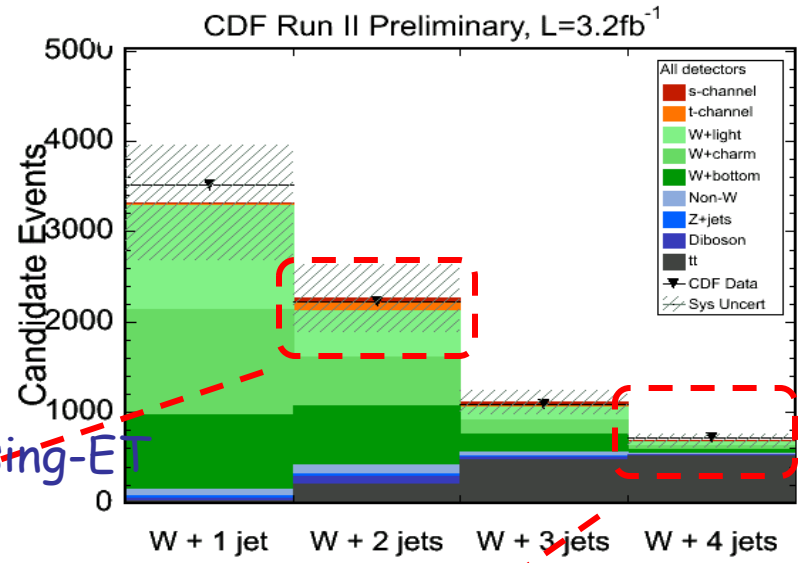
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- **Single top** requires more sophisticated techniques: no single variable provides significant signal-background separation
- ⇒ Perform multivariate analysis (MV)
- ⇒ take advantage of small signal-background separation in many variables



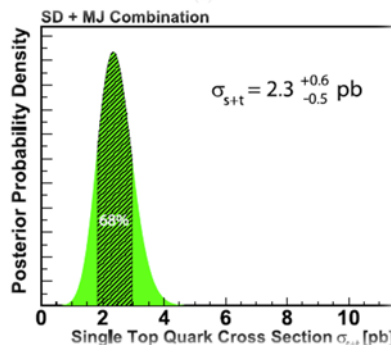
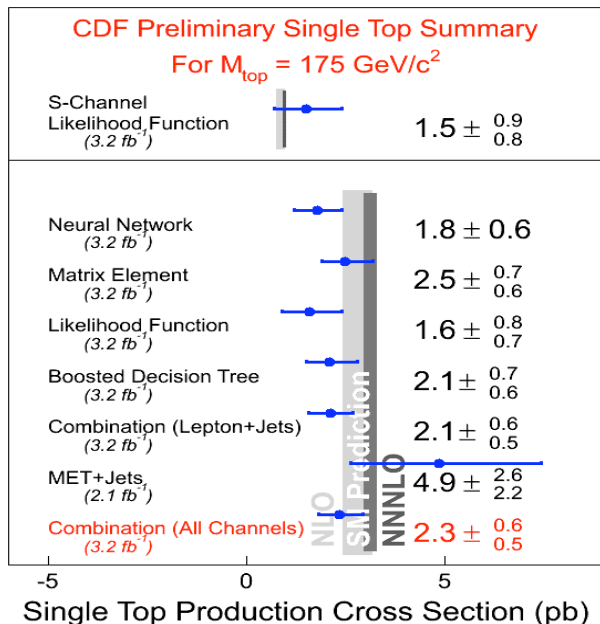
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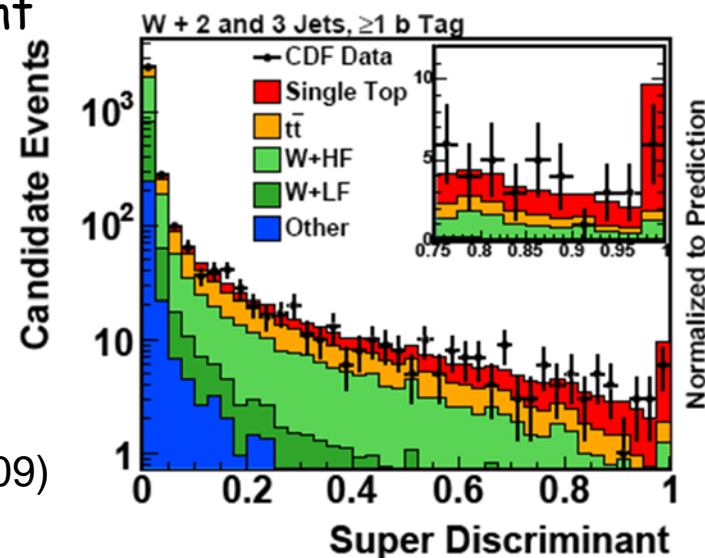
# Single Top Observation

CDF and D0 both report  $>5\sigma$  observation March 2009

The various MV methods give consistent results  
Combine the separate MVAs into one, more powerful discriminant



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	Lumi ( $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )	Cross Section (pb)	Exp Signif	Obs Signif
CDF	3.2	$2.3^{+0.6}_{-0.5}$	$5.9\sigma$	$5.0\sigma$

**Tevatron ( $3.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ),  $\text{fb}^{-1}$ ,  $m_t = 175 \text{ GeV}$  :**  
 $\sigma_t = 2.76^{+0.58}_{-0.47} \text{ (stat+syst) pb}$



# Direct $|V_{tb}|$ measurement

- Using cross section result to measure  $|V_{tb}|$ :  $\sigma_{\text{single top}} \propto |V_{tb}|^2$
- Assume Standard Model (V-A) coupling and  $|V_{tb}| \gg |V_{ts}|, |V_{td}|$  (from  $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Wb)$  meas.)
- Measurement assumes SM production mechanisms, does not assume 3 generations or unitarity

$$|V_{tb,meas}|^2 = \frac{\sigma_{meas}}{\sigma_{SM}} \cdot |V_{tb,SM}|^2$$

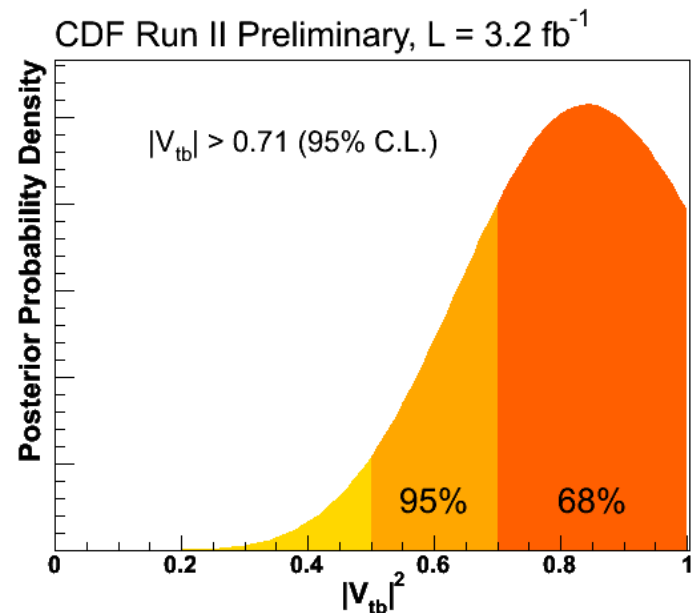
$$|V_{tb}| = 0.91 \pm 0.11 \text{ (stat+syst)} \pm 0.07 \text{ (theory)}$$

$$|V_{tb}| > 0.71 \text{ at 95\% C.L.}$$

Best direct measurement of  $V_{tb}$ :

**Tevatron (3.2 fb<sup>-1</sup>):**

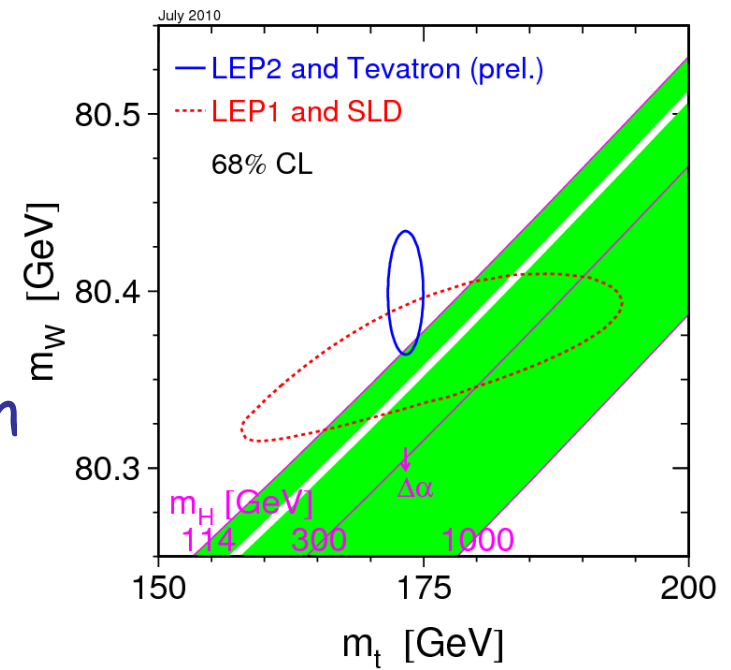
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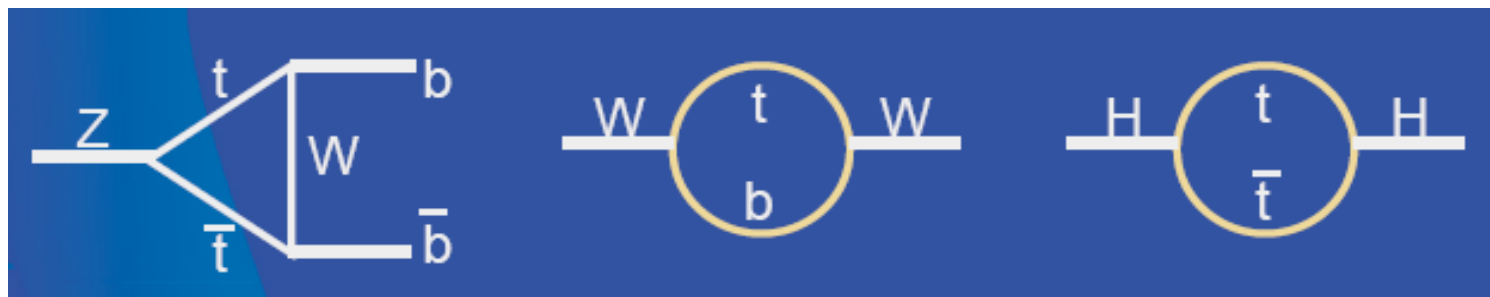
# Top quark mass

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- $M_{\text{top}}$  is a free parameter of the Standard Model
- Since  $M_{\text{top}}$  is large, quantum loops involving top quarks are important to include when calculating precision observables (e.g.  $\sin^2\theta_W$ ,  $R_b$ ,  $M_W$ , ...)



- Within SM, with the measured  $W$  mass constrains the mass of the Higgs through radiative corrections





# Top mass: most precise single result

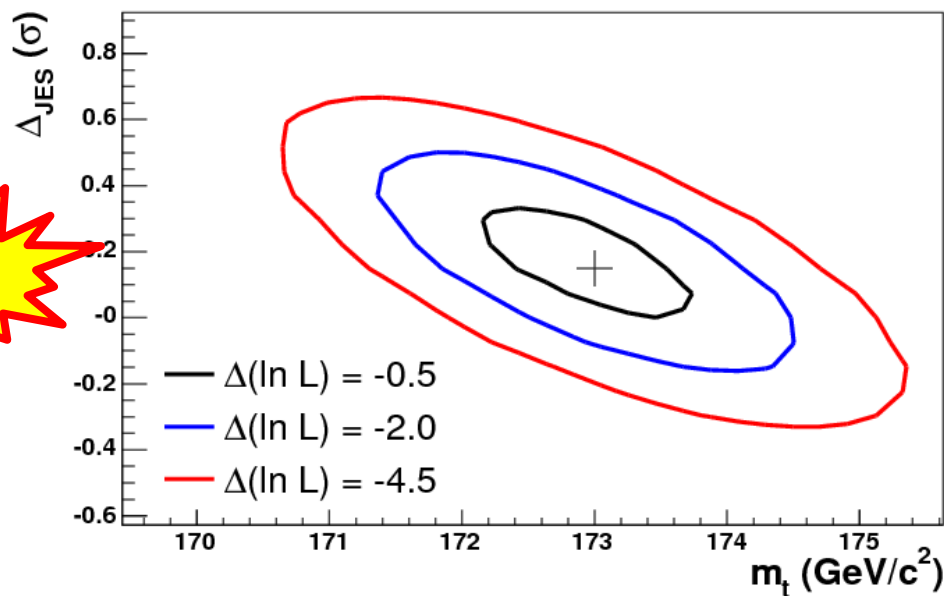
- Matrix Element Technique in Lepton+Jets channel:

- The probability of being signal or background is calculated per event as a function of  $M_{\text{top}}$

- Jet Energy Scale is reduced by measuring simultaneously with  $M_{\text{top}}$

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CDF Run II Preliminary 5.6 fb<sup>-1</sup>



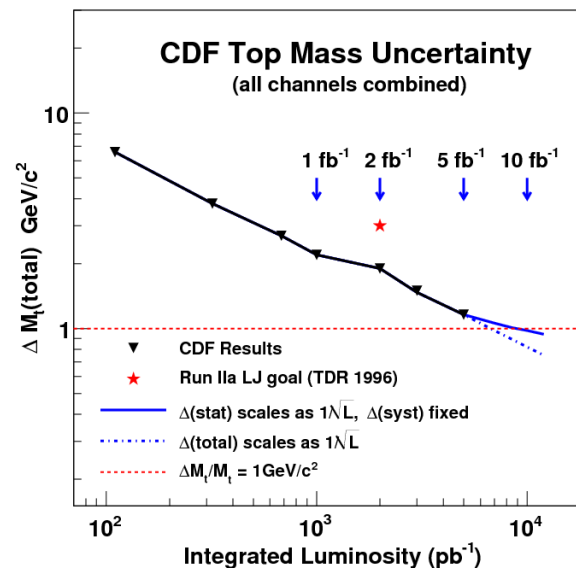
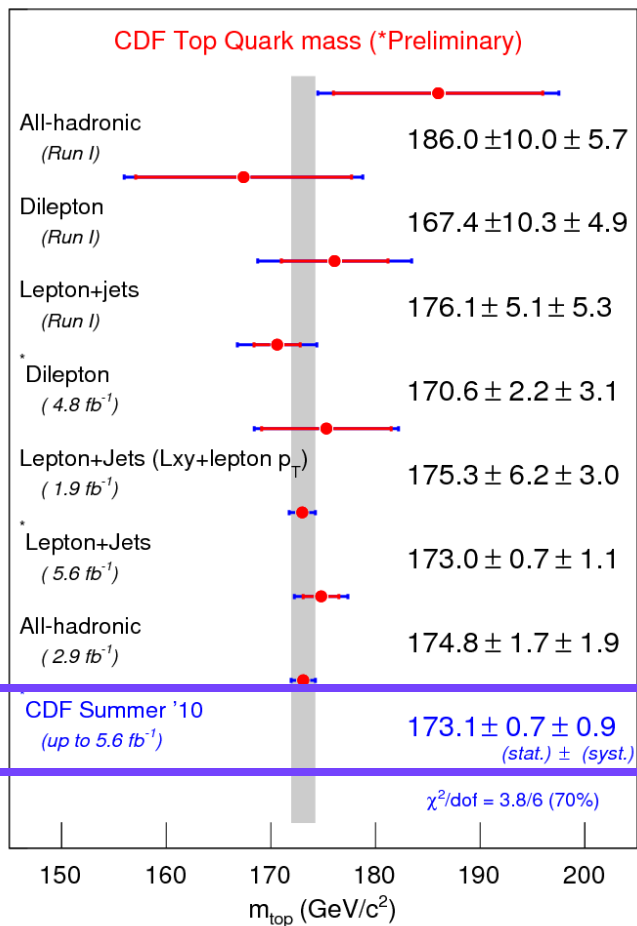
This is the best individual top mass measurement in the world to date

**CDF (5.6 fb<sup>-1</sup>):**  
 **$m_t = 173.0 \pm 0.7(\text{stat}) \pm 0.6(\text{JES}) \pm 0.9(\text{syst}) \text{ GeV}$**





# CDF top mass summary



- Current CDF precision =  $1.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$   $\Delta M/M \sim 0.67\%$
- Have surpassed Run II goal by a factor of  $> 2$
- $1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  precision might be possible without any improvement at  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Consistent across channels and methods

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Tevatron July 2010 combination:

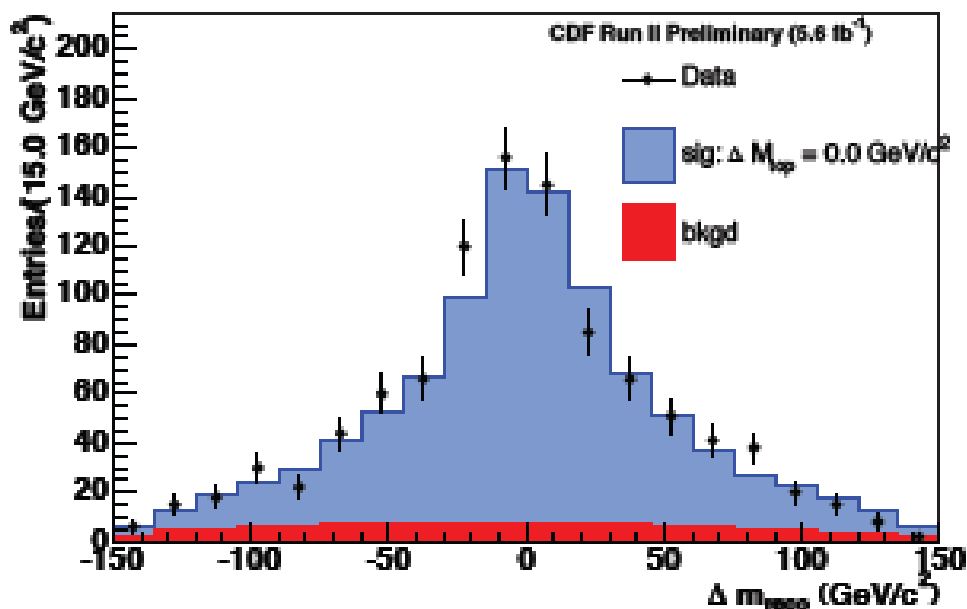
$$M_{\text{top}} = 173.3 \pm 1.1 \text{ (total) GeV}/c^2$$

$$\Delta M/M \sim 0.61\%$$



# Top Anti-Top Mass Difference

- If CPT is conserved,  $M_t = M_{t\bar{t}}$
- Mass measurements until now have held this assumption
- Similar techniques to mass measurements: template technique in the lepton+jets channel



$L = 5.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

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~ 2 $\sigma$  deviation  
from Standard  
Model

$$\Delta M = -3.3 \pm 1.4(\text{stat}) + 1.0(\text{syst}) \text{ GeV}/c^2$$



# Top Width

- Top decays very quickly:
  - ⇒ No direct detection → its properties from decay products
  - ⇒ SM predicts  $\Gamma_{\text{top}} = 1.3 \text{ GeV}$
- Direct measurement:
  - ⇒ Reconstruct top mass event-by-event in lepton + jets
  - ⇒ Extract width from fitting data to templates

$$L = 4.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

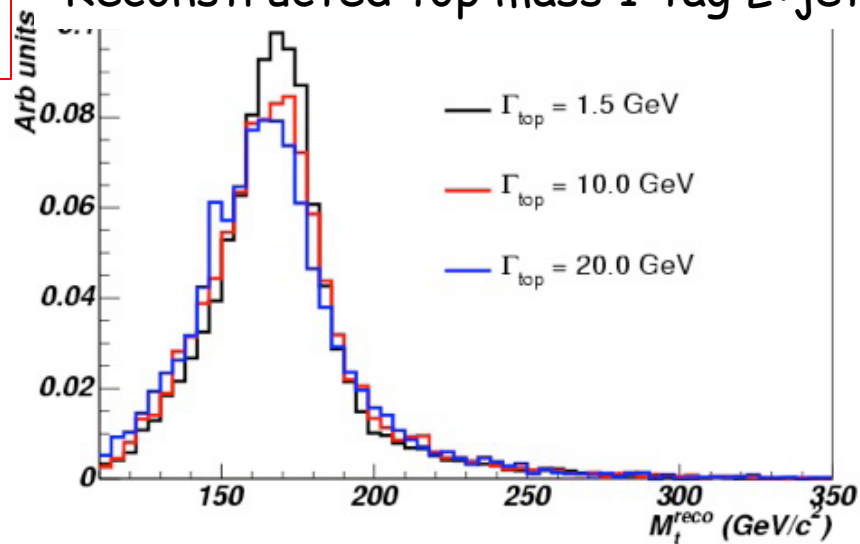
First direct bound of  
top quark width:

$$\Gamma_{\text{top}} < 7.5 \text{ GeV @ 95\% C.L.}$$

$$\tau_{\text{top}} > 8.7 \times 10^{-26} \text{ s @ 95\% C.L.}$$

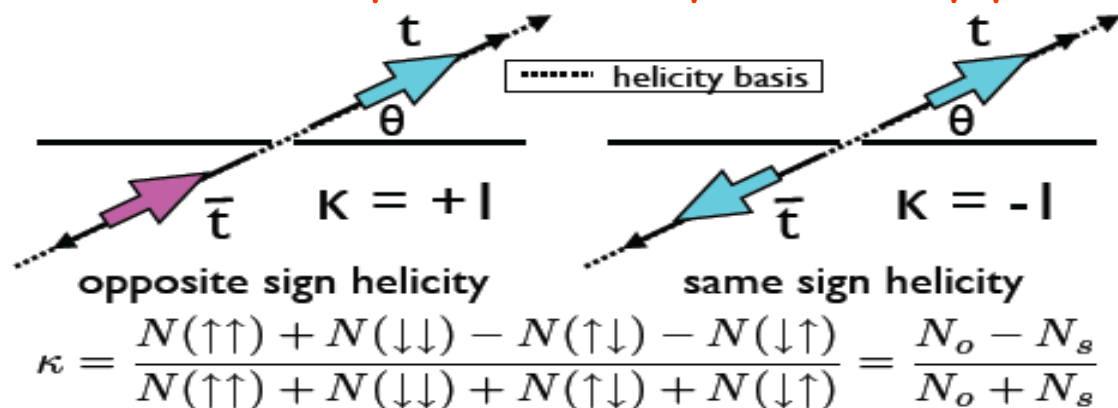
$$0.3 < \Gamma_{\text{top}} < 4.4 \text{ GeV @ 68\% C.L.}$$

Reconstructed top mass 1-tag L+jets



# Top anti-Top Spin Correlations

- Top spins are correlated only if top lifetime is short enough
- Information on of the spin carried by the decay products

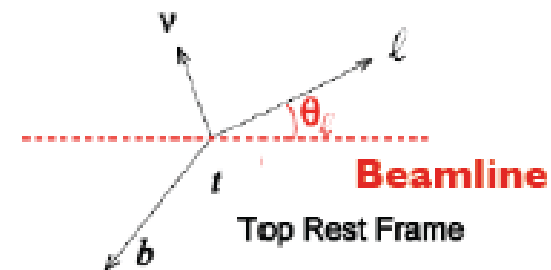


- SM predicts  $\kappa=0.78$**  NPB690, 81 (2004)
- New physics could change the spin-correlation parameter  
PRD 45 124(1992), PRD75 095008 (2007)

$\kappa$  related to decay products angle through:

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\cos\theta^+ d\cos\theta^-} = \frac{1 + \kappa \cos\theta^+ \cos\theta^-}{4}$$

where:



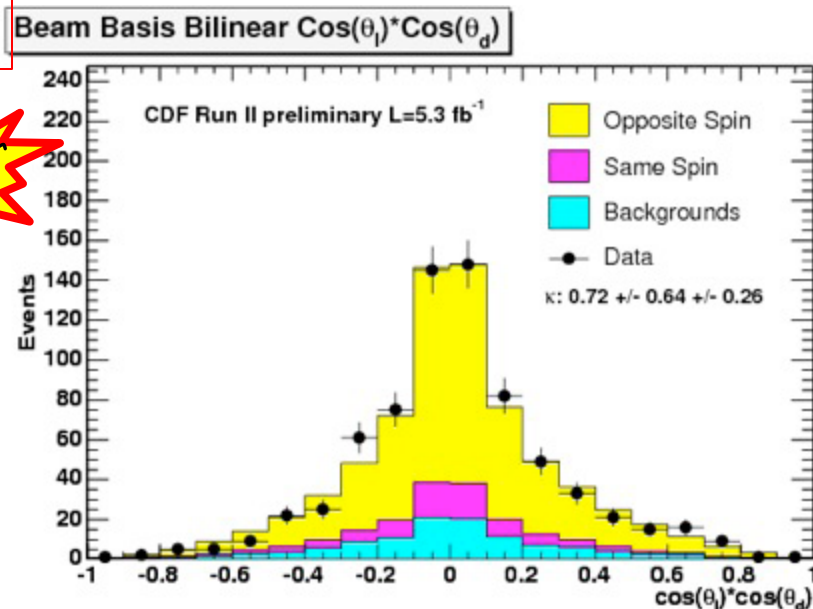
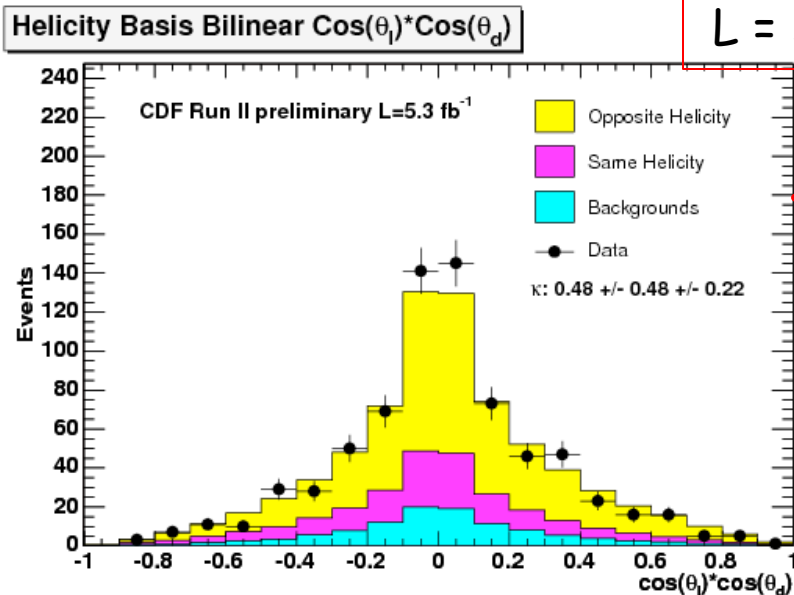


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## Lepton+Jets Channel

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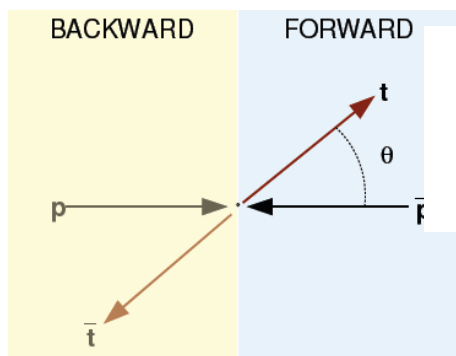


Basis	NLO Expectation	Measured
Helicity	$\kappa = 0.35$	$\kappa = 0.48 \pm 0.48 \text{ stat} \pm 0.22 \text{ syst}$
Beam	$\kappa = 0.77$	$\kappa = 0.72 \pm 0.64 \text{ stat} \pm 0.26 \text{ syst}$

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# Forward-Backward Asymmetry

- In leading order QCD, top production is symmetric.
- NLO QCD predicts small asymmetry:
  - $\Rightarrow A_{fb} = 3.8 \pm 0.6 \%$  in lab frame
  - $\Rightarrow A_{fb} = 5.8 \pm 0.9 \%$  in  $t\bar{t}$  rest frame
- New physics could give rise to a bigger asymmetry ( $Z'$ , axigluons,..)



$$A_{FB} = \frac{N_{\cos \Theta > 0} - N_{\cos \Theta < 0}}{N_{\cos \Theta > 0} + N_{\cos \Theta < 0}} = \frac{N_{\Delta Y > 0} - N_{\Delta Y < 0}}{N_{\Delta Y > 0} + N_{\Delta Y < 0}}$$

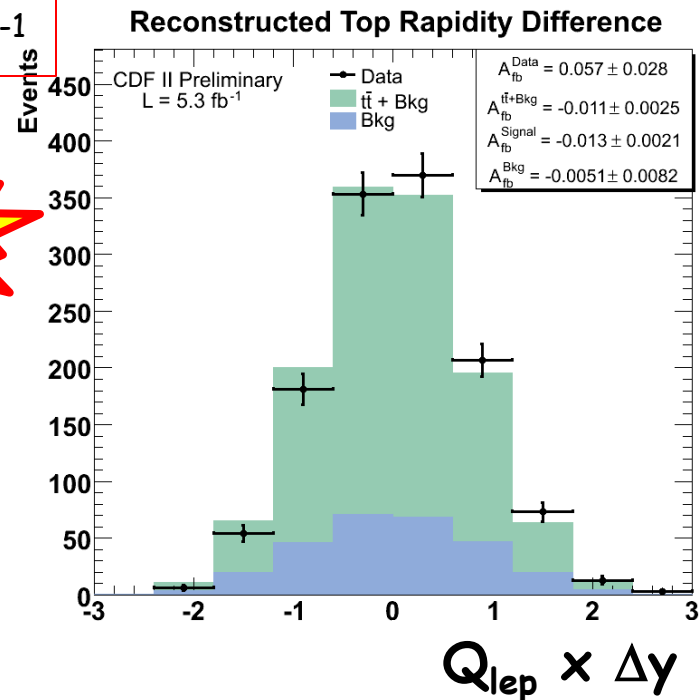
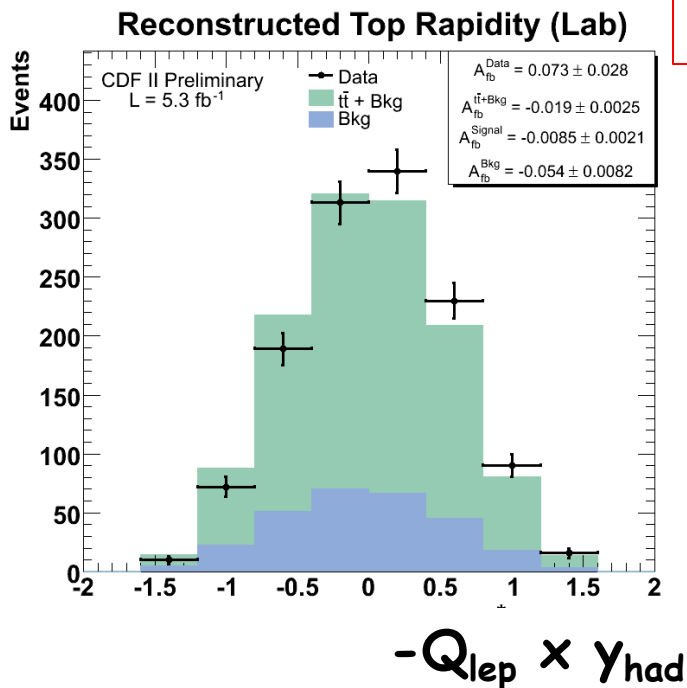
- Reconstruct the rapidity of top and anti-top quarks
- $\cos \Theta_{t\bar{t}} \propto Y_t - Y_{\bar{t}} = \Delta Y$



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After unfolding to parton level:

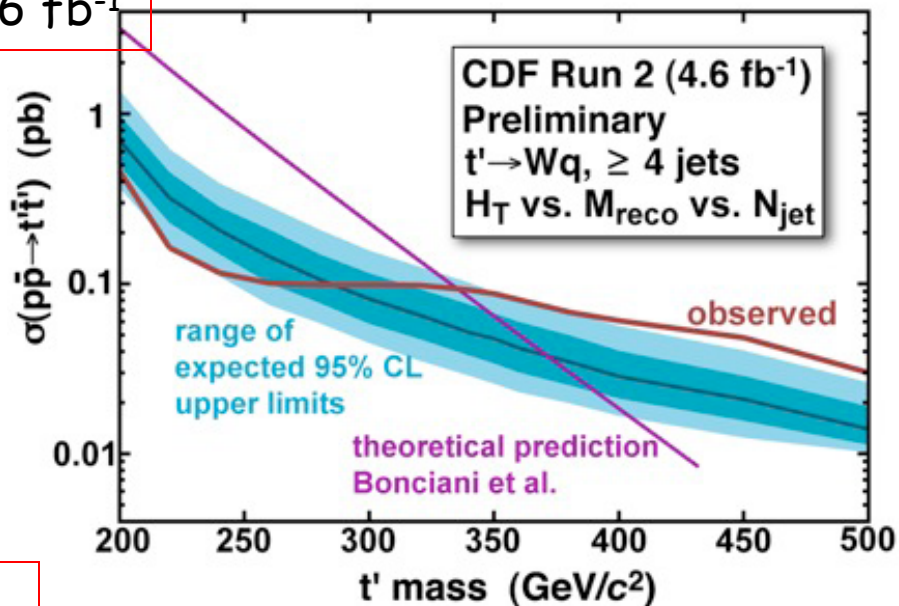
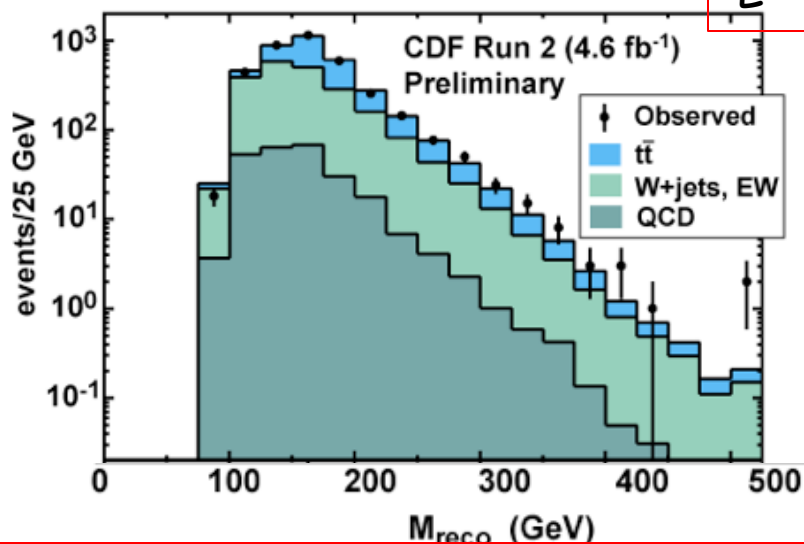
Afb	Measured	MCFM Predicted	Signif. from 0
Lab frame	$15.0 \pm 5.0_{stat} \pm 2.4_{sys}\%$	$3.8 \pm 0.6\%$	2.7
t-tbar frame	$15.8 \pm 7.2_{stat} \pm 1.7_{sys}\%$	$5.8 \pm 0.9\%$	2.1



# Search for Heavy $t'$

- Why are there only 3 generations? No theoretical reason
- Heavy  $t'$  production
  - $\Rightarrow$  suggested in 4th generation models, little Higgs, etc.
- Search for  $t't'$  in Lepton + Jets, treat  $t'$  as just a more massive top quark ( $t' \rightarrow Wq$ , where  $q$  is a down-type quark  $q = d, s, b$ )

$L = 4.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



**CDF (4.6 fb<sup>-1</sup>):**  
 **$M(t') > 335 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  at 95% C.L.**



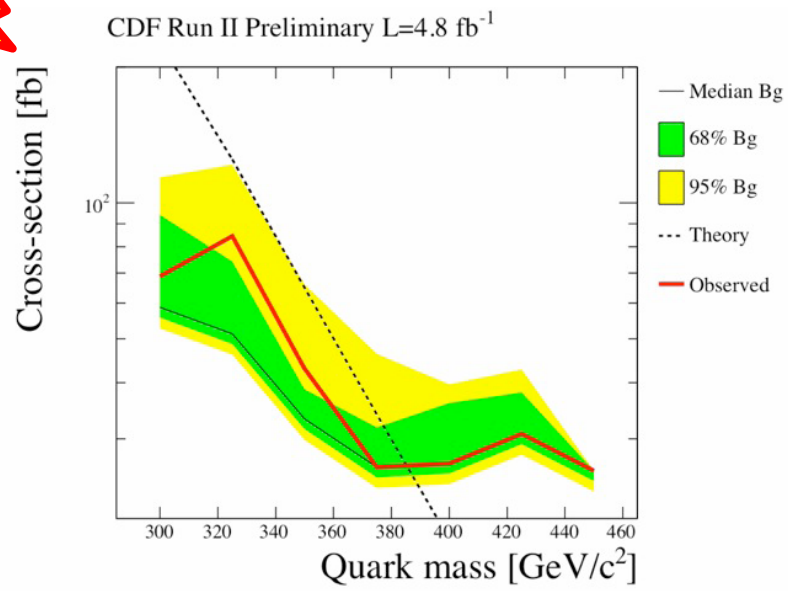
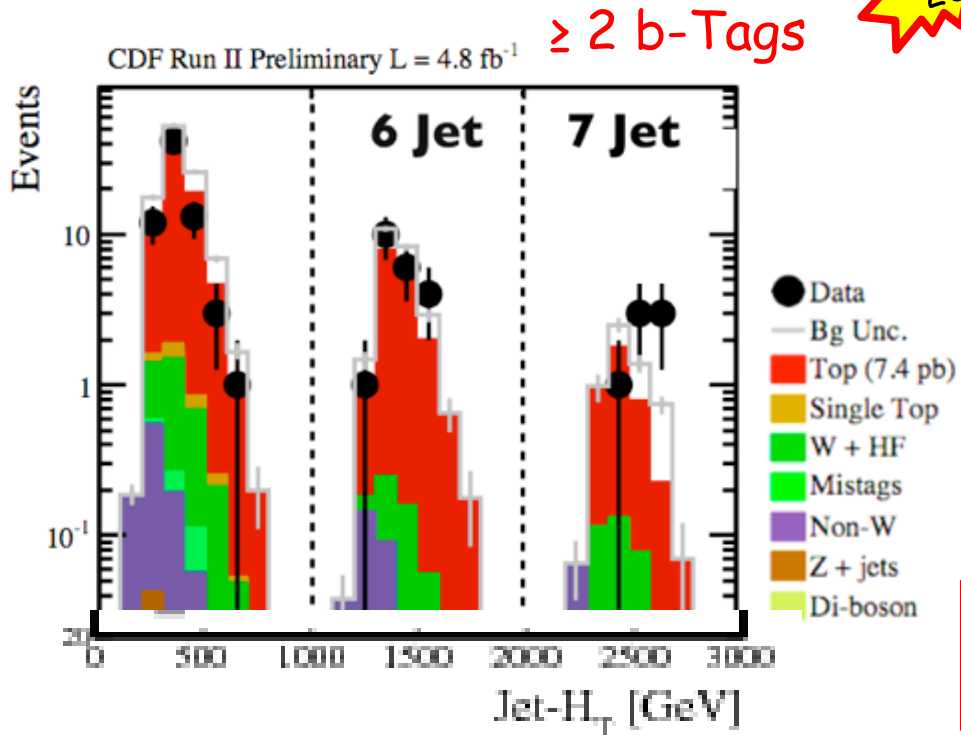


# Search for $b' \rightarrow t W \rightarrow WWb$

- Signature is very energetic events, with many jets
- search in lepton + jets, high  $H_T$ , high jet multiplicity
- Largest background is  $tt$ +jets

$L = 4.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

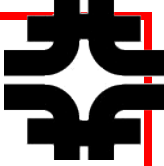
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**CDF (4.8 fb<sup>-1</sup>):**  
 **$M(b') > 385 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  at 95% C.L.**



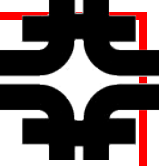
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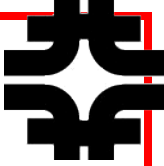
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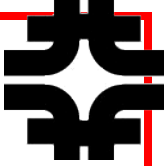
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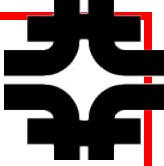
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Thank you!

<http://www-cdf.fnal.gov/physics/new/top/top.html>

# For more information:

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- Top Physics Results at CDF



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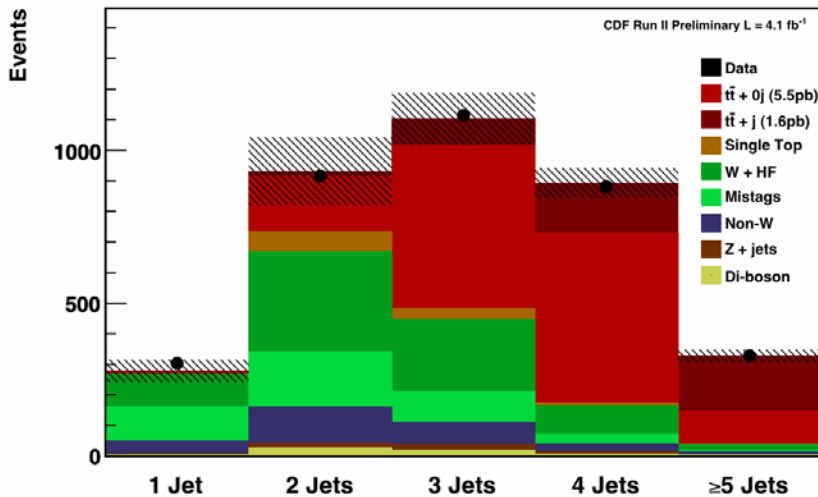
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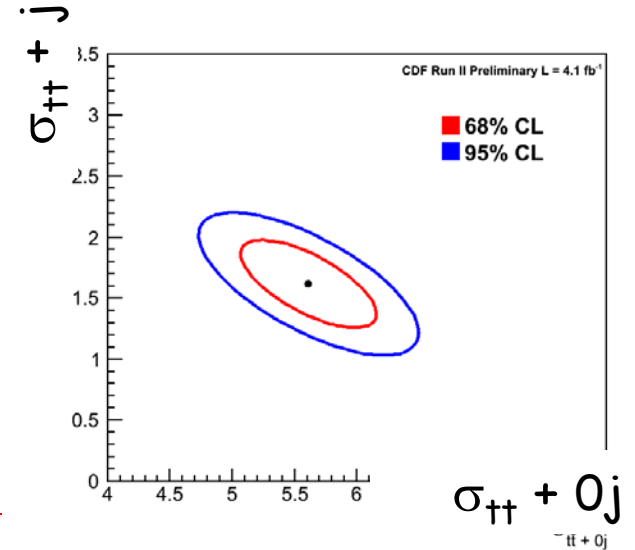


# t-tbar + jet Cross Section

- First  $\sigma$  measurement of t-tbar associated with an additional hard jet
- Important test of perturbative QCD
- Use b-tagged events in lepton + jets channel.
- Data-driven approach is used to predict the background content
- Standard model prediction  $\sigma_{tt+j} = 1.79^{+0.16}_{-0.31}$  pb (EPJ C59 625 (2009))



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**CDF (4.1 fb<sup>-1</sup>, m<sub>t</sub>= 172.5 GeV):**  
 $\sigma_{tt} (tt+j) = 1.6 \pm 0.2(\text{stat}) \pm 0.5(\text{syst}) \text{ pb}$

# Top mass: most precise single result

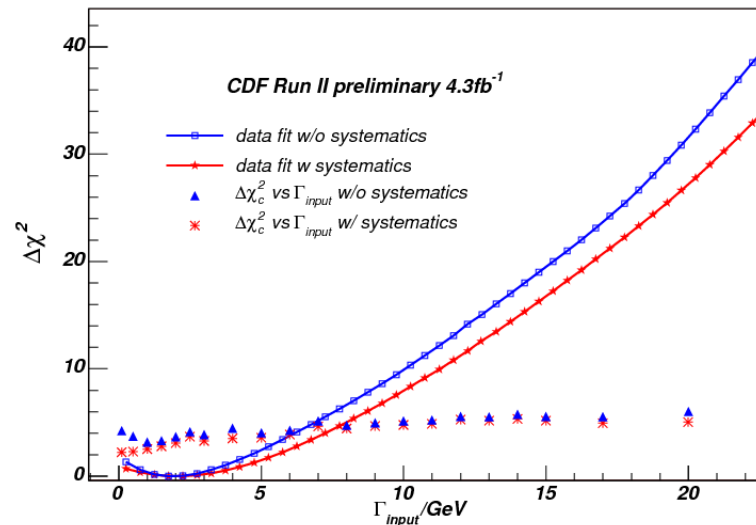
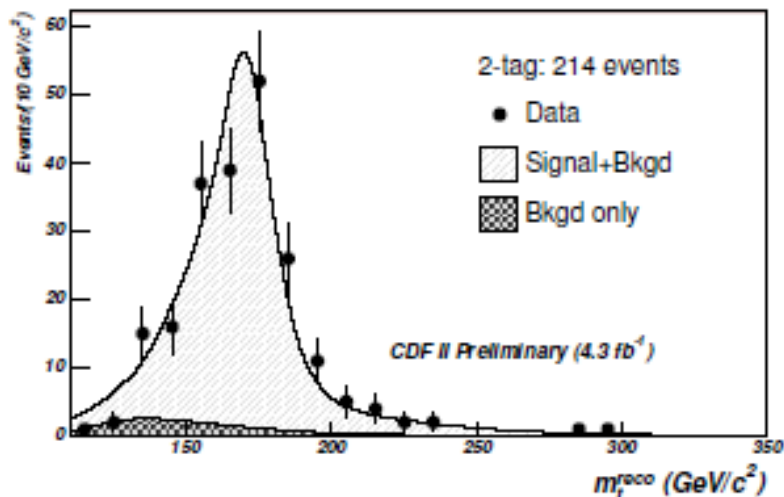
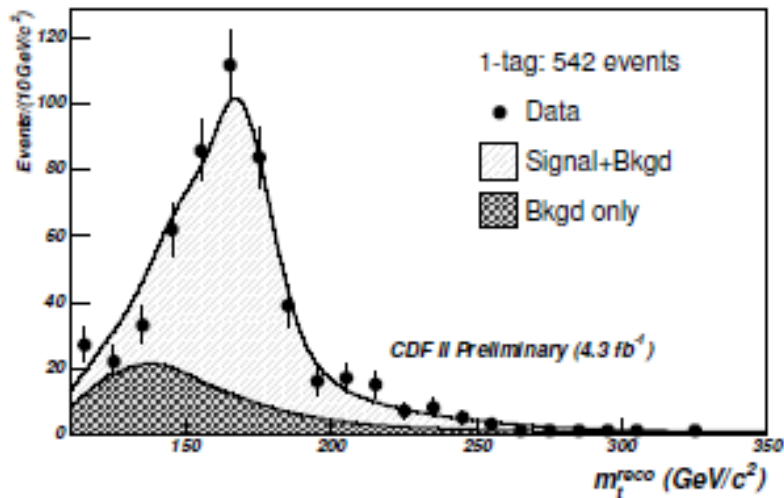
CDF Run II Preliminary,  $5.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Background	1 tag	$\geq 2$ tags
non- $W$ QCD	$50.1 \pm 25.5$	$5.5 \pm 3.8$
$W$ +light mistag	$48.5 \pm 17.1$	$1.0 \pm 0.4$
diboson ( $WW$ , $WZ$ , $ZZ$ )	$10.5 \pm 1.1$	$1.0 \pm 0.1$
$Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$ + jets	$9.9 \pm 1.3$	$0.8 \pm 0.1$
$W + b\bar{b}$	$67.5 \pm 23.9$	$12.9 \pm 4.7$
$W + c\bar{c}$	$41.3 \pm 14.8$	$1.9 \pm 0.7$
$W + c$	$20.7 \pm 7.4$	$0.9 \pm 0.4$
Single top	$13.3 \pm 0.9$	$4.0 \pm 0.4$
Total background	$261.8 \pm 60.6$	$28.0 \pm 9.6$
Predicted top signal ( $\sigma = 7.4 \text{ pb}$ )	$767.3 \pm 97.2$	$276.5 \pm 43.0$
Events observed	1016	247

CDF Run II Preliminary,  $5.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Systematic source	Systematic uncertainty ( $\text{GeV}/c^2$ )
Calibration	0.10
MC generator	0.37
ISR and FSR	0.15
Residual JES	0.49
$b$ -JES	0.26
Lepton $P_T$	0.14
Multiple hadron interactions	0.10
PDFs	0.14
Background modeling	0.34
Gluon fraction	0.03
Color reconnection	0.37
Total	0.88

# Top quark width

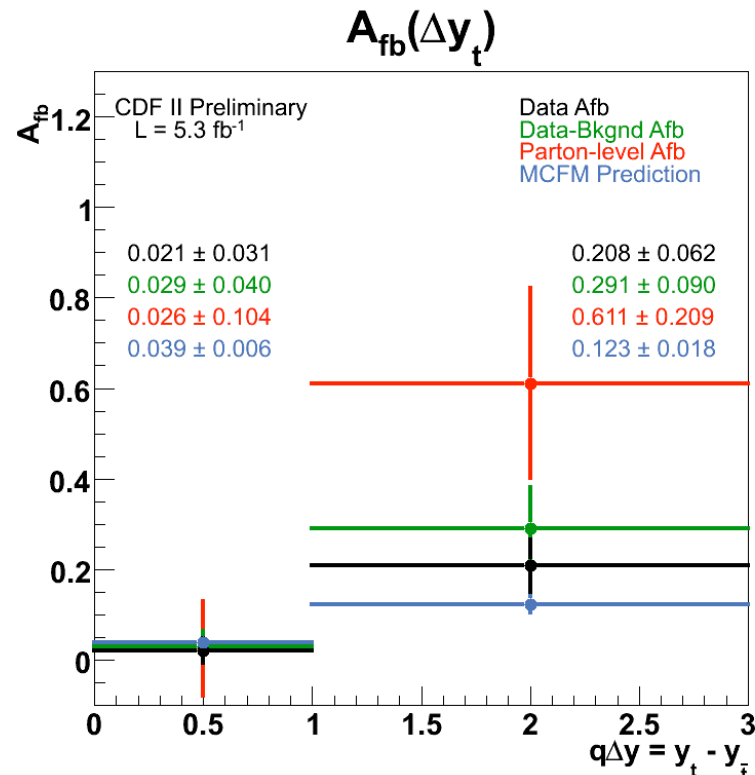


Summary of shift top width due to systematic effects. All numbers have units of GeV.

**CDF Run II Preliminary, 4.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>**

Systematic (GeV)	$\Delta\Gamma_{top}$
Residual JES	0.3
Jet Resolution	1.1
Generator:	0.4
PDFs	0.3
b jet energy	0.2
Background shape	0.1
gg fraction	0.3
Radiation	0.2
Lepton energy	0.2
Multiple Hadron Interaction	0.3
Color Reconnection	0.9
<b>Total Effect</b>	<b>1.6</b>

# Forward-Backward Asymmetry



Study rapidity dependence using  $A_{t\bar{t}}$

$$\Delta y < 1.0 : A_{FB} = 0.026 \pm 0.104_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.055_{\text{syst}}$$

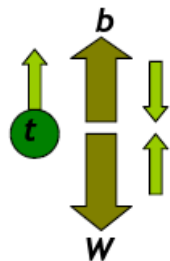
$$\Delta y > 1.0 : A_{FB} = 0.611 \pm 0.210_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.141_{\text{syst}}$$

$$\text{MCFM} : 0.039 \pm 0.006 (<1), 0.123 \pm 0.018 (>1)$$

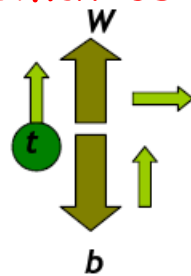
# W Helicity in top decay

W helicity in top decays is fixed by  $M_{\text{top}}$ ,  $M_W$ , and V-A structure of the  $tWb$  vertex. It is reflected in kinematics of W decay products.

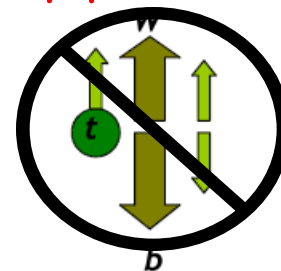
W helicity states:



left-handed  
fraction:  $f_-$   
~30%



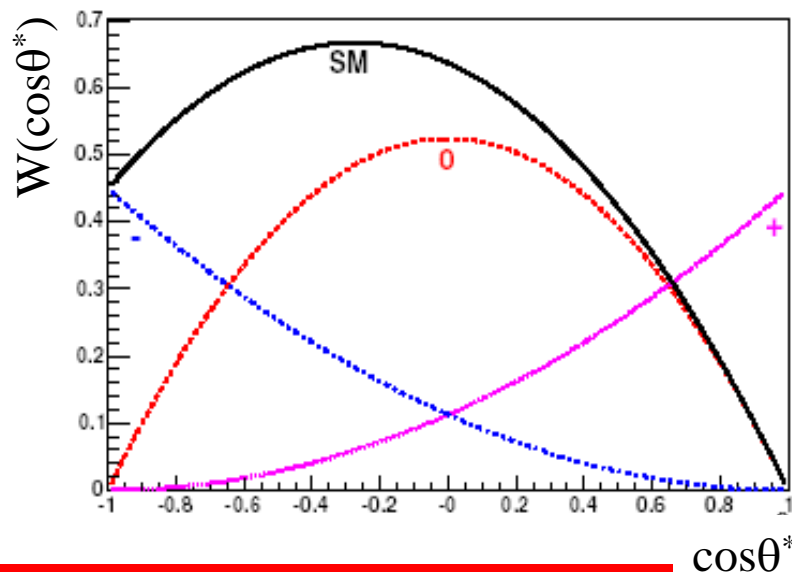
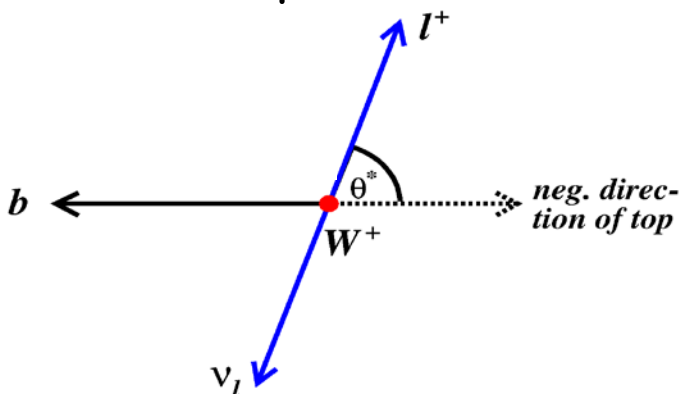
longitudinal  
fraction:  $f_0$   
~70%



right-handed  
fraction:  $f_+$   
suppressed: ~0.036%

In Standard Model:

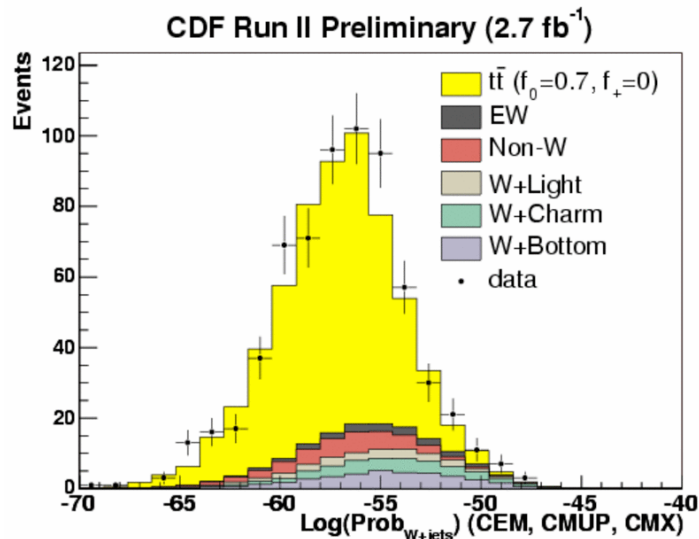
⇒ Measure angular distribution of charged lepton wrt. top in W rest frame:  $\cos\theta^*$





# W Helicity in Top Decay

- Using Matrix Element Method, express probability of each event in terms of  $t\bar{t}$  and background ( $W$ +jets) production
- Use the probabilities to compute a log-likelihood function in terms of the helicity fractions and the signal purity coefficient



Results consistent with the Standard Model

Method	$f_+$	$f_0$
Simultaneous	$-0.15 \pm 0.07_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.06_{\text{sys}}$	$0.88 \pm 0.11_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.06_{\text{sys}}$
Fixed $f_+$	0.00	$0.70 \pm 0.07_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.04_{\text{sys}}$
Fixed $f_0$	$-0.01 \pm 0.02_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.05_{\text{sys}}$	0.70

# Search for $t'$

