# Climbing to the Top: Physics towards the LHC

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## Past, present, and future

- (Pre)Discovery
- Is it top? Was it top?
- Current measurements
- Top quark at the LHC

# **Standard Model**

**1964:** quark model proposed to explain the structure of particles

**1967:** electroweak unification with W, Z and H (Glashow, Weinberg, Salam)

model evolved to include a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation

u c f u c f d s b 1st 2nd 3rd Generations

took ~30 years to complete picture, but last quark finally discovered at Fermilab in 1994

## Top searches in e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collisions

### PETRA could reach ~20 GeV (late '70s)

- search for narrow toponium resonance
- look for increase in R =(# of hadron events)/(# of  $\mu\mu$  events)
- negative results:  $M_{top}$ >23 GeV

### TRISTAN built to study top quark (early '80s)

- energy ~50-64 GeV
- similar search techniques
- $M_{top}$ >30 GeV

### SLC/LEP ~90 GeV (late '80s)

- look for Z→ttbar
- $-M_{top}$ >45 GeV

# Top searches at hadron colliders

## CERN SppS built to observe W,Z (√s=540 GeV)

- access to much higher masses
- large background and difficult event reconstruction

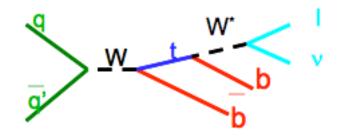
### 1984: UA1 (W→tb→lvbb)

- isolated high- $P_T$  lepton
- 2 or 3 jets
- observe 5 events
- background: 0.2 events
- consistent with  $M_{top}$ ~40 GeV, but stopped short of claiming discovery

### 1988: UA1/UA2

- larger data sample (600 nb<sup>-1</sup>)
- conclusion:  $M_{top}$ >44 GeV (later  $M_{top}$ >75 GeV)

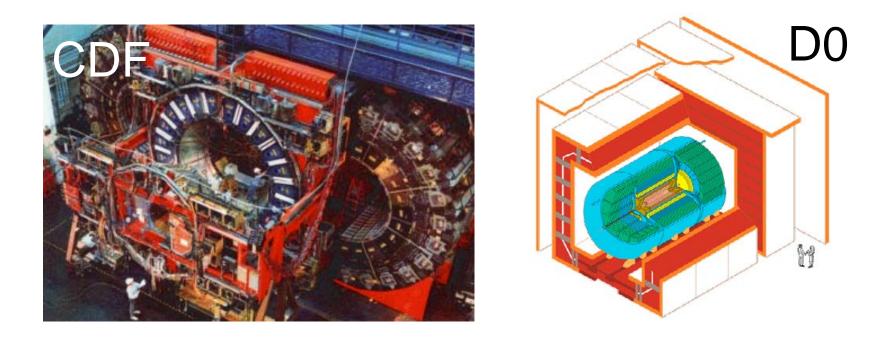




# Fermilab joins the hunt

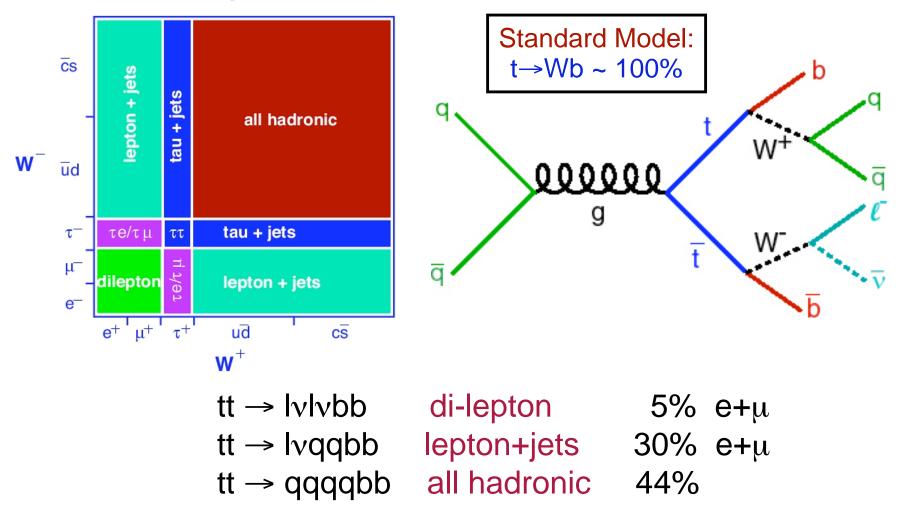
Pair production dominates at Fermilab Change of strategy:  $M_{top}$  >  $M_W$  +  $M_b$ 

CDF: silicon vertex detector added to magnetic spectrometer D0: excellent calorimetry, large muon coverage



## How does top decay?

#### tt decay modes

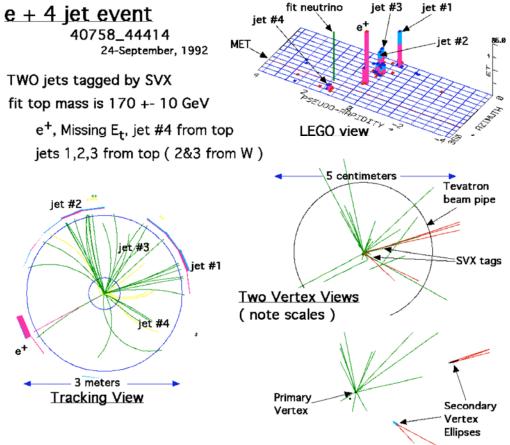


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# Detecting the top quark

- Strategy
  - dilepton: +2 jets
  - single lepton: b-tagging





CDF vertex detector (40 µm impact parameter resolution) powerful discriminant against background

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5 mm

# First evidence (1994)

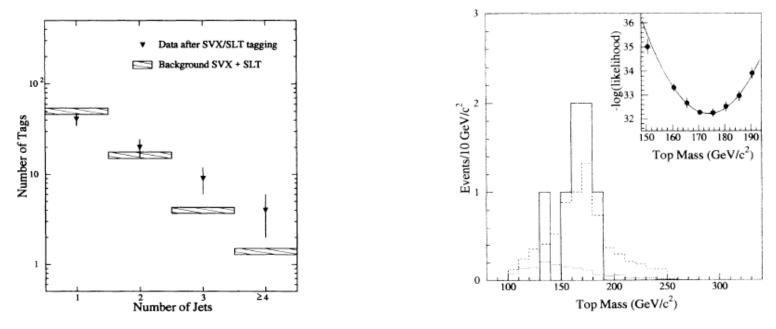
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#### Evidence for Top Quark Production in $\bar{p}p$ Collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 1.8$ TeV

We summarize a search for the top quark with the Collider Detector at Fermilab (CDF) in a sample of  $\bar{p}p$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.8$  TeV with an integrated luminosity of 19.3 pb<sup>-1</sup>. We find 12 events consistent with either two W bosons, or a W boson and at least one b jet. The probability that the measured yield is consistent with the background is 0.26%. Though the statistics are too limited to establish firmly the existence of the top quark, a natural interpretation of the excess is that it is due to  $t\bar{t}$  production. Under this assumption, constrained fits to individual events yield a top quark mass of  $174 \pm 10^{-13}$ GeV/ $c^2$ . The  $t\bar{t}$  production cross section is measured to be  $13.9^{+6.1}_{-4.8}$  pb.



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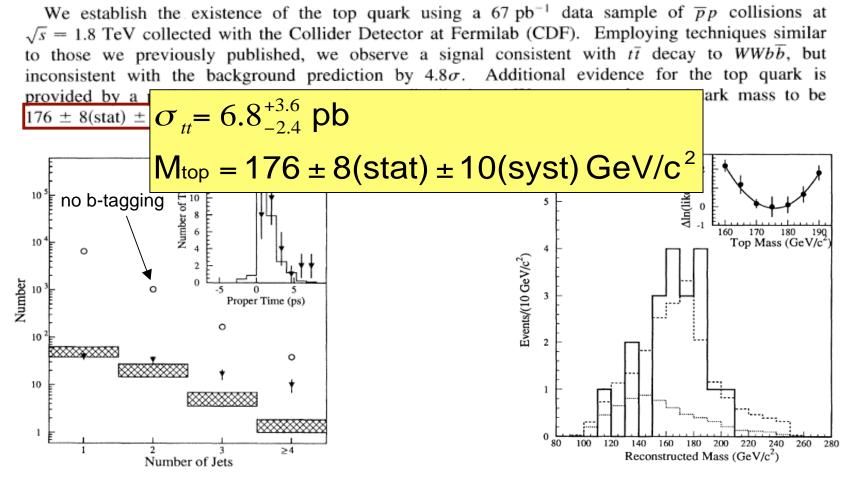
## First measurements

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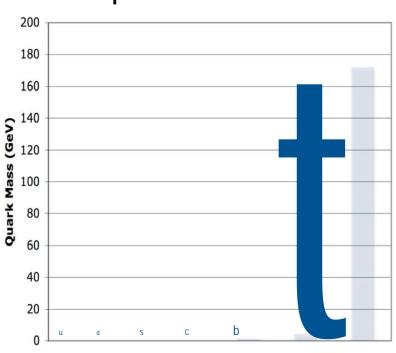
# Why is top important ?

### special: top is the heaviest fermion

- ✓ top-Higgs Yukawa coupling~1
- ✓ Higgs mass
- ✓ for  $M_{top}$ =175 GeV:  $\Gamma$ ~1.4 GeV >>  $\Lambda_{OCD}$ 
  - ⇒no hadronization
- ✓ connection to EWSB?

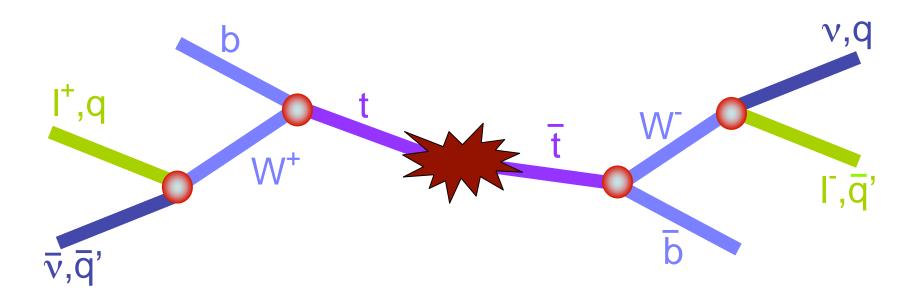
study of top quark properties

precision measurements may provide insight into physics beyond the SM



### quark masses

# If it is really top...



#### PRODUCTION

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Cross section Resonances X→tt Fourth generation t' Spin-correlations New physics (SUSY) Flavour physics (FCNC)

#### **PROPERTIES**

Mass Kinematics Charge Lifetime and width W helicity Spin

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#### DECAY

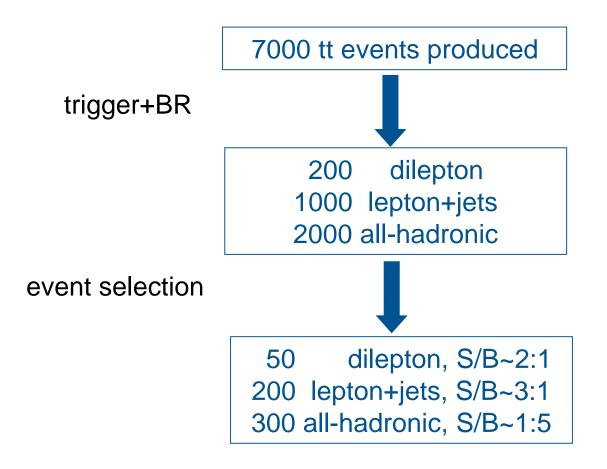
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Branching ratios Charged Higgs (non-SM) Anomalous couplings Rare decays CKM matrix elements Calibration sample @LHC

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# Top quark samples @ TeV

## In 1/fb of integrated luminosity:

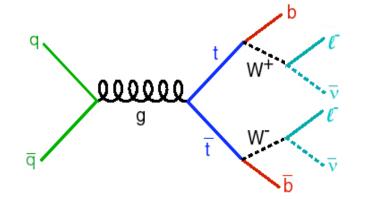


## **Cross section measurement**

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = \frac{N_{obs} - N_{bgd}}{\varepsilon_{t\bar{t}} \cdot \int Ldt}$$

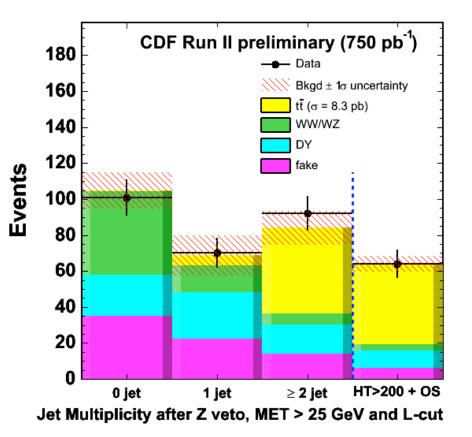
- ✓ testing non-SM top production mechanisms
- ✓ top sample may contain an admixture of exotic processes

## **Dilepton channel**

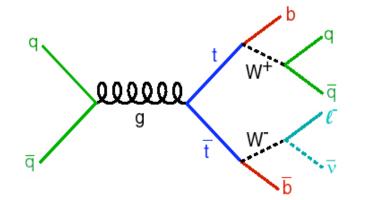


Branching Ratio (BR) ~5% background: small

≻two leptons + ≥2 jets + ∉<sub>T</sub>
 ≻more kinematical variables

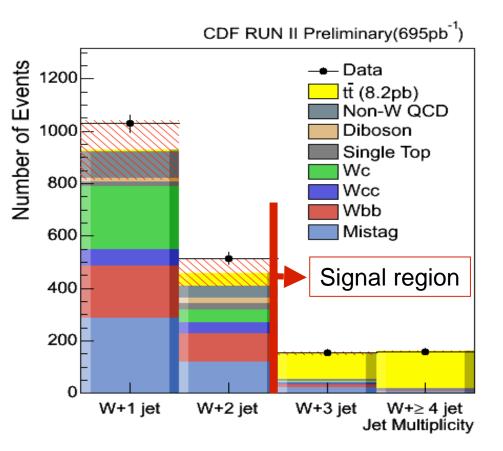


# Lepton + jets



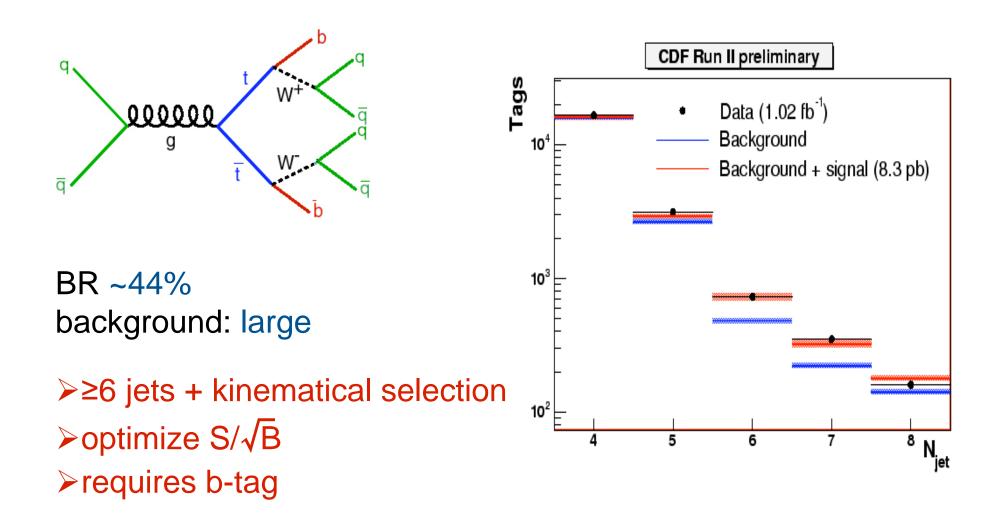
BR ~30% background: moderate

>one lepton + ≥3 jets + ∉<sub>T</sub>
 >may require b-tag



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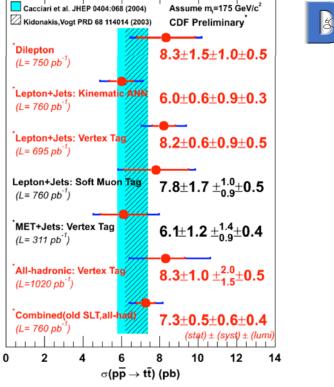
# All hadronic



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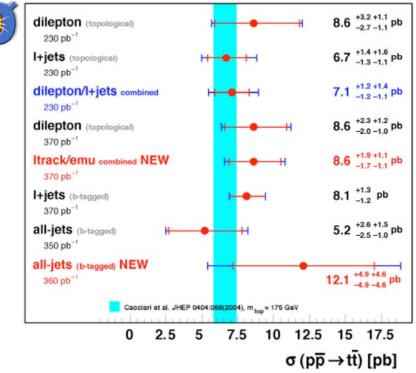
## Cross section summary







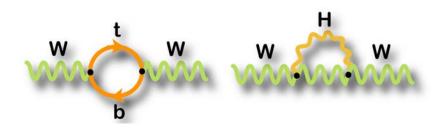
#### DØ Run II Preliminary



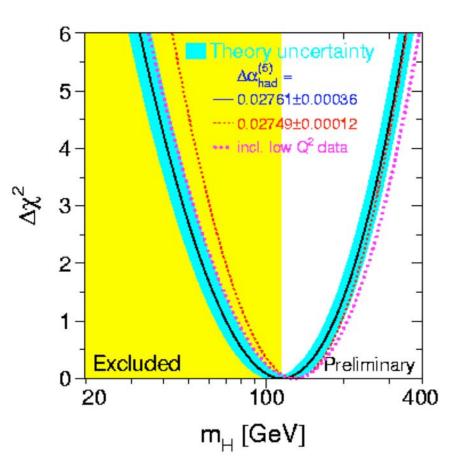
• Different channels and techniques are in agreement

# Top quark mass

- top quark mass is a fundamental parameter of the SM
- top and W mass measurements constrain the Higgs mass



• top is the only fermion with a mass of the order of EWSB scale



# Measuring the top mass

### Challenging:

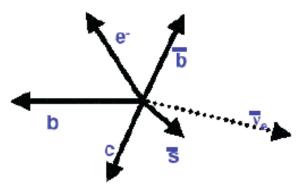
### Lepton+jets

- undetected neutrino
  - $P_x$  and  $P_y$  from  $E_T$  conservation
  - 2 solutions for  $P_z$  from  $M_W = M_W$
- leading 4-jet combinatorics
  - 12 possible jet-parton assignments
  - 6 with 1 b-tag
  - 2 with 2 b-tags
- ISR + FSR

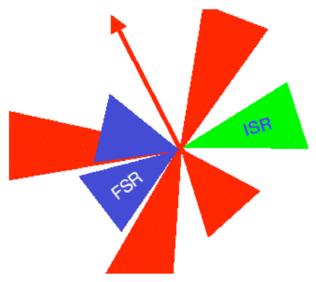
### Dileptons

- less statistics
- two undetected neutrinos
- less combinatorics: 2 jets



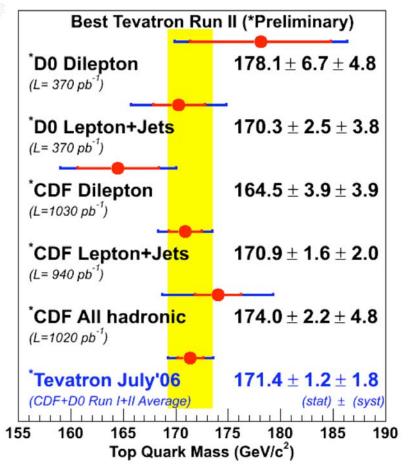


experiment sees:



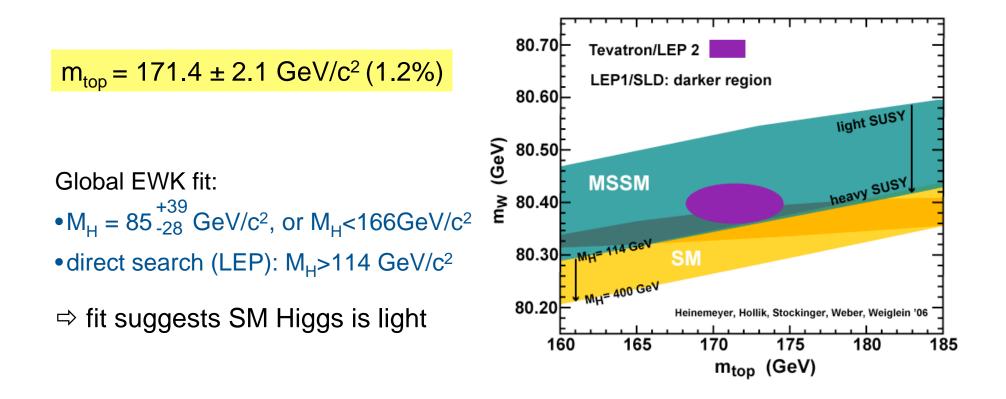
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## Top mass measurement



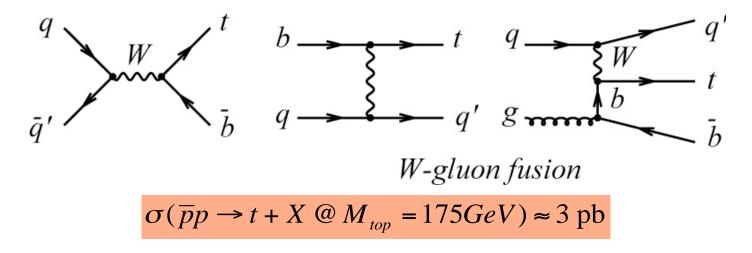
- several reconstruction methods used to measure the top mass
- all channels:
  - ✓ dilepton+2 jets
    ✓ lepton+4 jets
    - ✓6 jets
- largest systematic uncertainty due to jet energy measurement

## **Tevatron measurement**



# How else is top produced?

Standard Model Tevatron Single Top Production

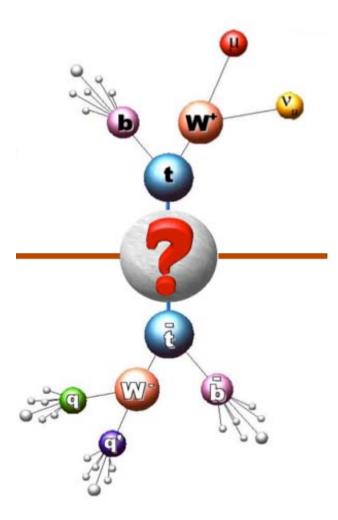




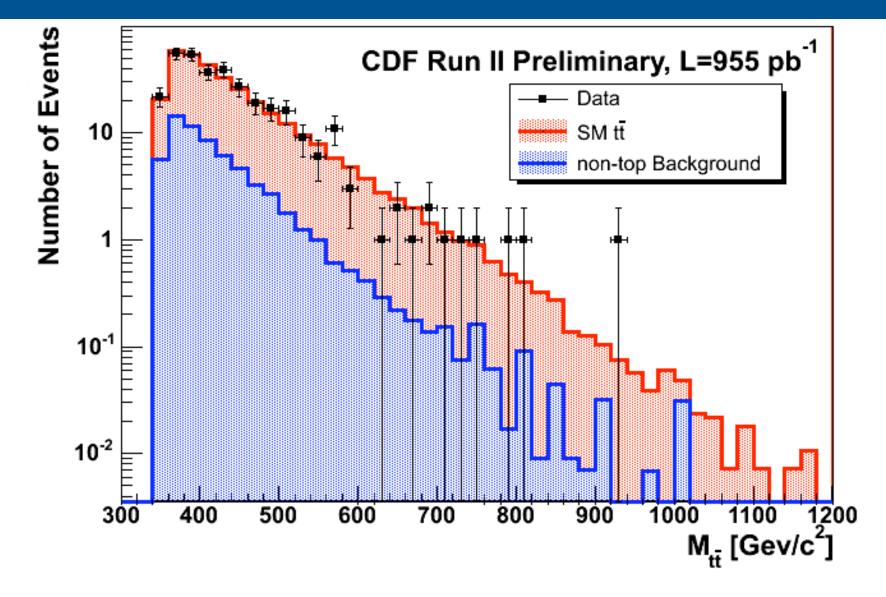
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# Do top quarks resonate?

- No resonance expected in SM
- Why is Top so heavy?
  - new physics?
  - is third generation 'special'?
  - couples predominantly to third generation quarks
- Top is relatively unknown experimentally
- Experimental check
  - search for a bump in the invariant mass spectrum

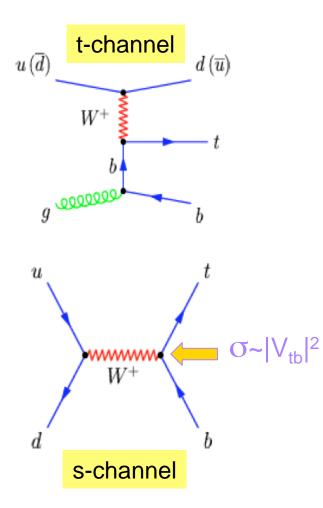


# Any hint in the current data?



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# Single top



#### Dominant channels at the Tevatron:

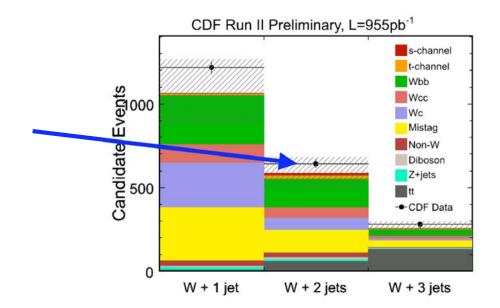
- t-channel:
  - 1.98 pb @1.96TeV
  - hard b-jet, soft b-jet (usually invisible)
- s-channel:
  - 0.88 pb @1.96 TeV two hard-b-jets, W decay products

#### Why search for single top?

- direct measure of  $|V_{tb}|$
- sensitive to non-SM phenomena (W', FCNC)

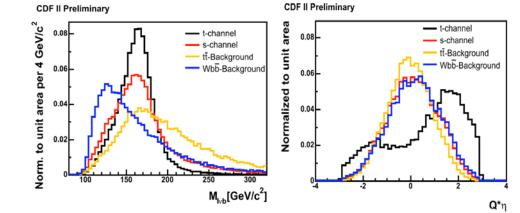
# Search for single top

Single top bin swamped in background uncertainty ⇒ counting experiment impossible



### Need multivariate techniques:

- 1. Likelihood
- 2. Matrix element
- 3. Neural network

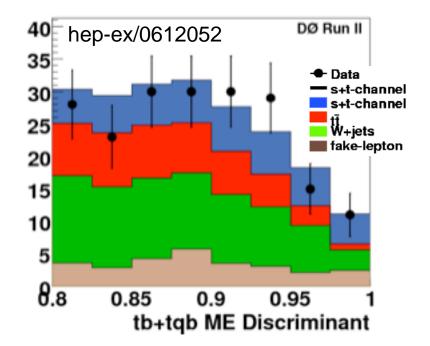


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# Single top results

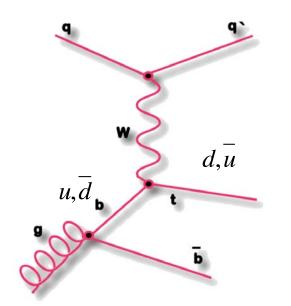
- Very large background
- Excess over background expectation

- s+t cross section:  $4.9 \pm 1.4$  pb
- 3.4  $\sigma$  significance
- first direct measurement:
   0.68 ≤ |V<sub>tb</sub>| ≤1.00 @ 95% CL

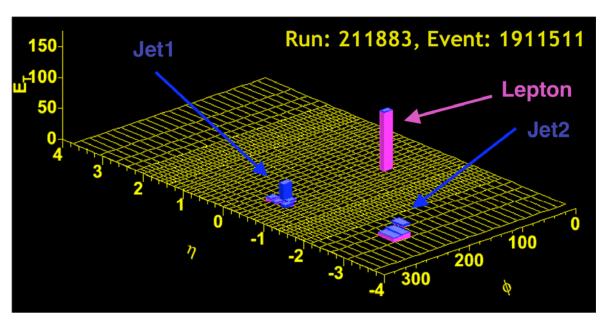


### First evidence for single top events

# Single Top Candidate Event



Central Electron Candidate Charge: -1, Eta=-0.72 MET=41.85, MetPhi=-0.83 Jet1: Et=46.7 Eta=-0.61 (b-tagged) Jet2: Et=16.6 Eta=-2.91



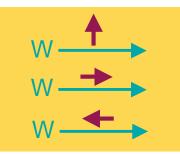
# Is it really top?

- is the top quark we observe really the SM top?
- top properties may provide hint for New Physics
  - production: new resonances
  - decay:
    - ➤ t→Wb?
    - > W→b? or W→q ?
    - $\succ$  W or H?
    - ➢ is it a V-A weak decay?

### ⇒ Still little known on top quark

# W helicity in top decays

- Top decays before hadronization: spin information directly passed to its decay products (Wb)
- helicity of the **W** boson:
  - examines nature of tbW vertex
  - provides a stringent test of SM
- helicity of W can be:



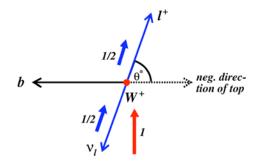
longitudinal ( $F_0$ ) left-handed ( $F_{V-A}$ ) right-handed ( $F_{V+A}$ )

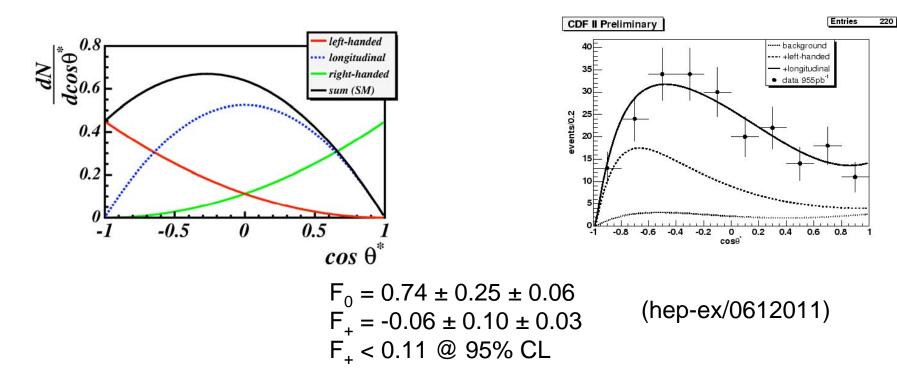
 SM predicts V-A: F<sub>0</sub>=0.70, F<sub>V-A</sub>=0.30, F<sub>V+A</sub>=0 (if V+A ⇔F<sub>0</sub>=0.70, F<sub>V-A</sub>=0, F<sub>V+A</sub>=0.30)

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# W helicity in top decays (cont)

 Can be measured using variables sensitive to angular distributions of W decays (lepton p<sub>T</sub>, cos θ\*, M<sub>lb</sub><sup>2</sup>)



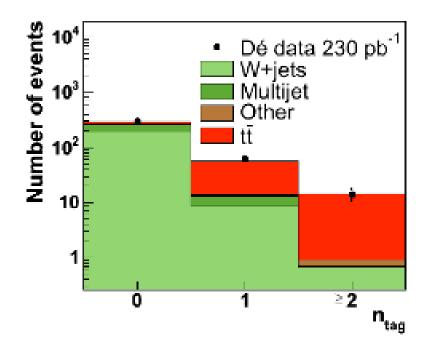


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# Is BR(t→Wb)~100% ?

• In the SM, 
$$R = \frac{BR(t \rightarrow Wb)}{BR(t \rightarrow Wq)} \approx |V_{tb}|^2$$
  
(q=b,s,d)

- measure R by comparing the number of ttbar events with 0, 1 and 2 b-tags
- R≈O(10<sup>-1</sup>) ⇒ evidence for New Physics (e.g. 4th generation hep/ph-0607115)

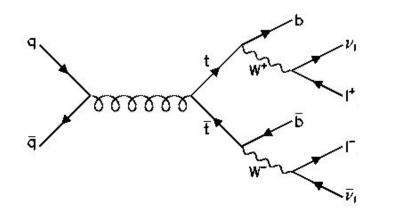


0.9980<R<0.9984

|V<sub>tb</sub>|>0.71 @95% CL (lepton+jets) |V<sub>tb</sub>|>0.68 @95% CL (single top) (hep/ex-0612052)

Not yet sensitive to SM

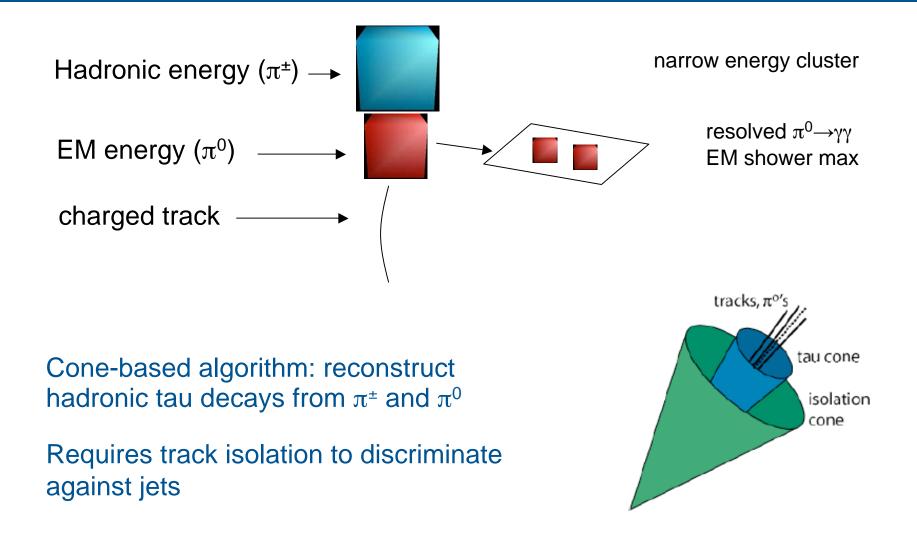
# Taus in top decays



| Channel       | Signature                                 | BR    |
|---------------|---|-------|
| Dilepton(e/µ) | ee,μμ,eμ + 2 <i>b</i> -jets               | 4/81  |
| Single lepton | $e,\mu$ + jets + 2 $b$ -jets              | 24/81 |
| All-hadronic  | jets + 2 <i>b</i> -jets                   | 36/81 |
| Tau dilepton  | <del><i>Θ</i>τ, μτ +2 <i>b</i>-jets</del> | 4/81  |
| Tau+jets      | $\tau$ + jets + 2 <i>b</i> -jets          | 12/81 |

- should have same rate as eµ dilepton channel
- probe to New Physics processes
- challenging (lower  $p_T$  than e or  $\mu$  due to v's)

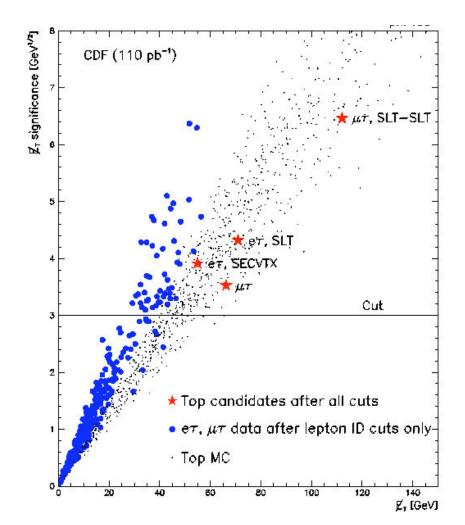
# Tau identification



# Tau dileptons in data

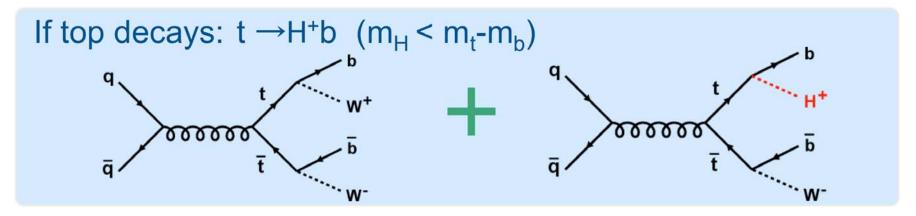
- 4 candidates found in 110pb<sup>-1</sup>
   ⇒3 events are b-tagged
- impact parameter of tau tracks
   ⇒2 tau tracks have d/σ >0

| Selection                   | Track-based        | Calorimeter-based  | Combined           |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| tau fakes                   | 0.25 +/- 0.02      | 0.78 +/- 0.04      | 1.0 +/- 0.1        |
| Z/gamma->tau tau            | 0.89 +/- 0.28      | 1.48 +/- 0.38      | 1.8 +/- 0.5        |
| WW, WZ                      | 0.14 +/- 0.08      | 0.24 +/- 0.10      | 0.3 +/- 0.1        |
| Total Background            | 1.28 +/- 0.29      | 2.50 +/- 0.43      | 3.1 +/- 0.5        |
| Expected from ttbar         | 0.70 +/- 0.30      | 1.10 +/- 0.40      | 0.9 +/- 0.1        |
| Observed events             | 4                  | 4                  | 4                  |
| Observed events with b-tags | 3                  | 3                  | 3                  |
| Total acceptance            | (0.085 +/- 0.016)% | (0.134 +/- 0.023)% | (0.172 +/- 0.014)% |



# Charged MSSM Higgs production

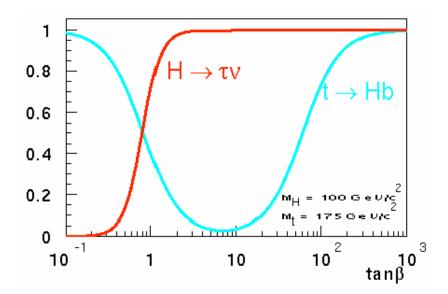
### Does top always decay to W+b?



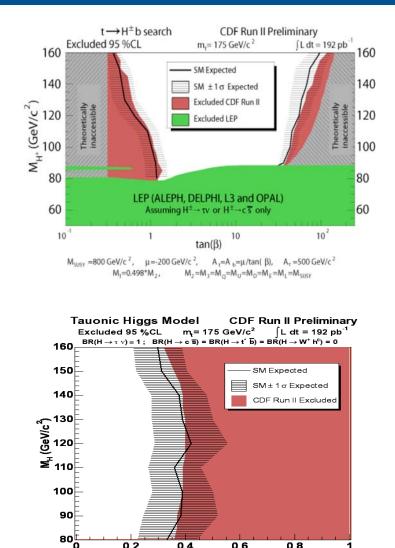
- BR(t $\rightarrow$ H<sup>+</sup>b) could be large
- $H^+ \rightarrow t^+ v_{\tau}$  enhanced if tan $\beta$  large

### ⇒observe more taus

(tan $\beta$ : ratio of vacuum expectation values)



## Search for H<sup>±</sup>: Results



0.6

BR(t→Hb)

0.8

1

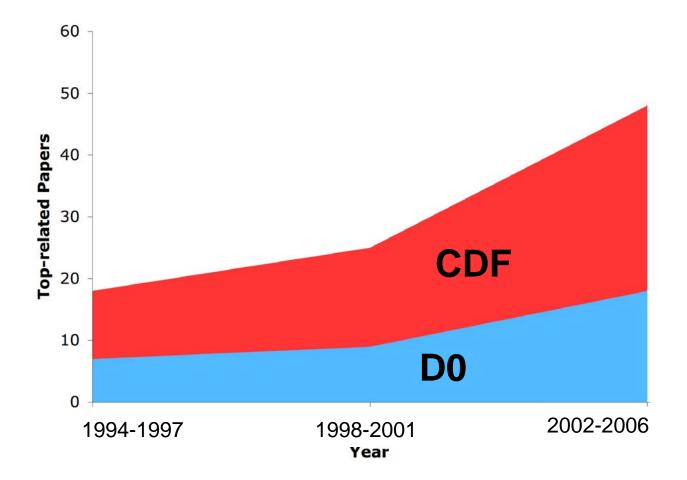
0.2

0.4

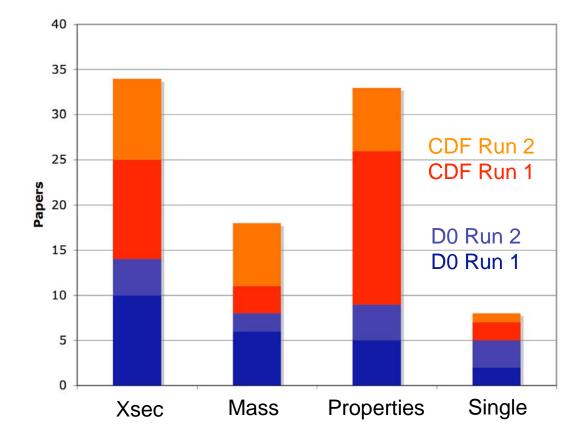
| Final state            | Background SM exp. |    | data |
|------------------------|--------------------|----|------|
| 2l+jets                | 2.7 ± 0.7          | 11 | 13   |
| l+jets(1b)             | 20.3 ± 2.5         | 54 | 49   |
| l+jets (≥2b)           | 0.9 ± 0.2          | 10 | 8    |
| l+τ <sub>h</sub> +jets | 1.3 ± 0.2          | 2  | 2    |

⇒data agree with SM expectations

# Top-related publications





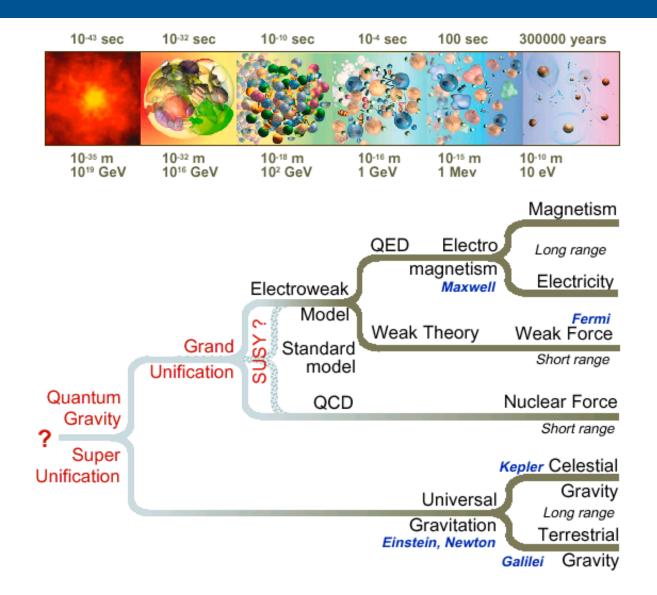


# New energy frontier





### A smaller scale



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### Tev2LHC

#### • Tevatron Run II:

Integrated luminosity ~  $1fb^{-1}$ Peak luminosity ~  $2.7x10^{32}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup> Current high energy frontier for new physics searches

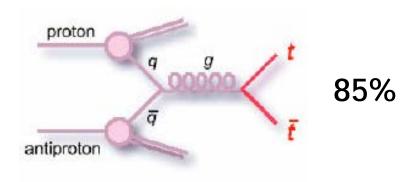
#### • The LHC:

CM energy: > x7, integrated luminosity > x100

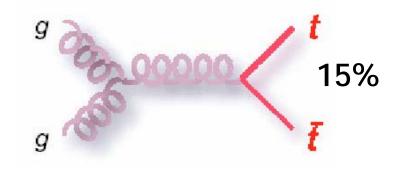
### ⇒New physics discovery expected

...however, it will be challenging!

# Top quark production



|                 | Run 1   | Run 2   | LHC    |
|-----------------|---------|---------|--------|
|                 | ppbar   | ppbar   | рр     |
| E <sub>CM</sub> | 1.8 TeV | 1.96TeV | 14 TeV |
| qq              | 90%     | 85%     | 5%     |
| gg              | 10%     | 15%     | 95%    |
| $\sigma_{tt}$   | 5.0 pb  | 6.7 pb  | 830 pb |

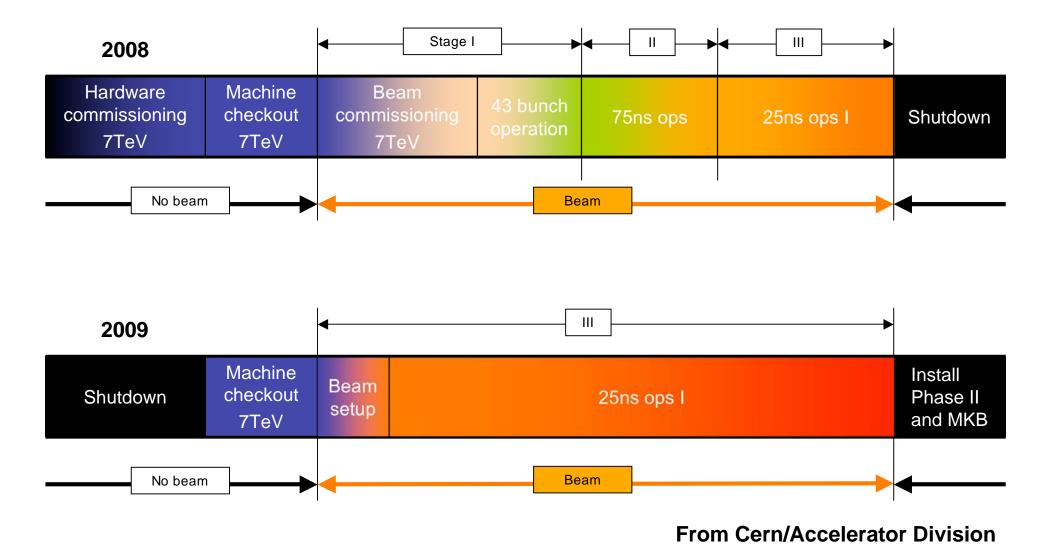


- $\sigma$  (tt)<sub>LHC</sub>~100 x  $\sigma$ (tt)<sub>TEV</sub>
- at LHC, fraction of qq vs gg is inverted
- top mostly produced in pairs
- typical S/B 0.5 at TeV, 2.5 at LHC

### LHC startup @ 900 GeV in 2007

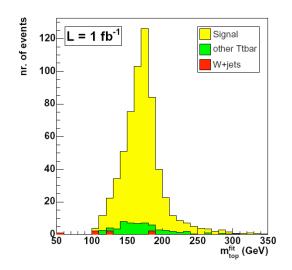
|  |                      |                         | Reasonable           | Maximum              |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| k <sub>b</sub>   | 43                   | 43                      | 156                  | 156                  |
| i <sub>b</sub> (10 <sup>10</sup> )   | 2                    | 4                       | 4                    | 10                   |
| β* (m)   | 11                   | 11                      | 11                   | 11                   |
| intensity per beam   | 8.6 10 <sup>11</sup> | 1.7 10 <sup>12</sup>    | 6.2 10 <sup>12</sup> | 1.6 10 <sup>13</sup> |
| beam energy (MJ)   | .06                  | .12                     | .45                  | 1.1                  |
| Luminosity (cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )   | 2 10 <sup>28</sup>   | 7.2 10 <sup>28</sup>    | 2.6 10 <sup>29</sup> | 1.6 10 <sup>30</sup> |
| event rate <sup>1</sup> (kHz)  | 0.4                  | 2.8                     | 10.3                 | 64                   |
| W rate <sup>2</sup> (per 24h)  | 0.5                  | 3                       | 11                   | 70                   |
| Z rate <sup>3</sup> (per 24h)  | 0.05                 | 0.3                     | 1.1                  | 7                    |
|  |                      | several days            | <b>&gt;</b>          |                      |
| 1.Assuming 450GeV inelastic cross section2.Assuming 450GeV cross section $W \rightarrow lv$ 3.Assuming 450GeV cross section $Z \rightarrow ll$ |                      | 40 mb<br>1 nb<br>100 pb | From Cern/A          | ccelerator Division  |

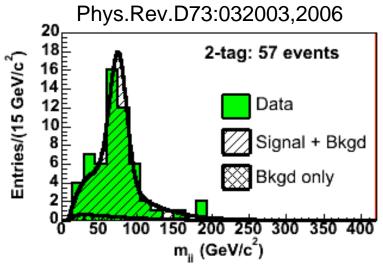
# Collisions at 14 TeV



# Top quarks at the LHC

- $\sqrt{s}$ =900 GeV in 2007, 14 TeV in 2008
- 0.1-1.0 fb<sup>-1</sup> expected in 2008
- LHC is a top factory
  - -10 tt pairs/day @TeV ⇔ 1 tt pair/sec @LHC
  - -approx. 830k ttbar events/fb
- yield in 1/fb (after selection):
  - -dilepton (e/ $\mu$ ): ~5k events
  - lepton+jets: ~35k events
- energy scale calibration  $(W \rightarrow jj)$





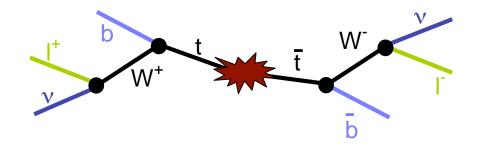
# **Di-lepton channel**

• Measure BR in top decays:

$$R = \frac{BR(t \rightarrow Wb)}{BR(t \rightarrow Wq)}$$

- Complementary to lepton+jets
- Advantages:
  - less combinatorial ambiguity
  - less background
- Disadvantages:
  - lower statistics

SM: R = 0.9980 to 0.9984 @ 95% CL R=1.03  $^{+0.17}_{-0.15}$ (stat)  $^{+0.09}_{-0.07}$ (syst) (hep-ex/0607115)



Presented at Top working group: Feb 2007 Collaboration with A. Giammanco & D. Kcira (Louvain)

# Di-lepton channel (cont)

### • Selection:

- 2 leptons+ ≥2 jets + MET
- no b-tagging in preselection
- 4% uncertainty achieved on b-tagging efficiency

#### • S/B = 5197/957 ~5 with 1/fb (CMS 2006/013)

#### • Plan:

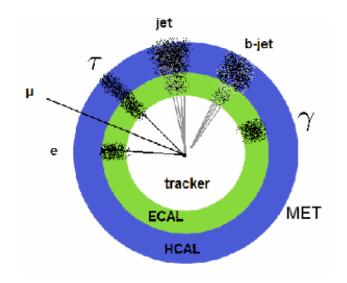
- -reproduce/improve efficiencies
- -study background:
  - W/Z+jets, single top, gluon splitting, etc.
- -simultaneous extraction of R and  $\epsilon$ (b)
  - 2 unknowns with 2 observables: N(2tag)/N(1tag) and N(1tag)/N(0tag)

# Tau dileptons

(*I*=*e*,µ)

• Measure: 
$$R = \frac{BR(tt \rightarrow l\tau)}{BR(tt \rightarrow II)}$$

- Advantages:
  - -increase statistics
  - -cross-check to other BRs
- Disadvantages:
  - -small statistics/larger background
  - soft tau  $p_{\mathsf{T}}$  due to neutrinos



⇒ test lepton universality
 ⇒ probe non-standard physics (t→Hb, ...)

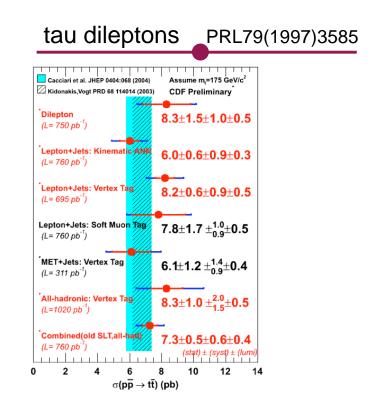
# Tau dileptons (cont)

#### • Selection:

- $-e/\mu + \ge 2$  jets + MET + tau
- -no b-tagging in preselection
- Expected event yield in 1/fb:
  - S/B = 750(290)/1370(36) ~ 0.5 (8.0) (after b-tagging in parenthesis) from CMS 2006/077

#### Background to SUSY/Higgs searches

In 10/fb:  $\Delta \sigma_{tt,\tau-dil}/\sigma_{tt,\tau-dil}=16\%$  (sys) ±1.3%(stat) ± 3%(lum)



## Conclusions

- top is a relatively unknown particle
- some current measurements are still statistically limited
- LHC is a top factory
- use top quarks to re-establish SM
- precision measurements can provide hint to New Physics