

Single top production at the Tevatron

- ▶ Electroweak production of top quarks
- ▶ Signal and selection
- ▶ Recent DØ and CDF results
 - CDF s+t measurement (7.5 fb^{-1})
 - DØ s-channel evidence (9.7 fb^{-1}) **NEW**
 - CDF s+t measurement in MET+jets (9.1 fb^{-1})
- ▶ Searches for anomalous Wtb couplings DØ (5.4 fb^{-1})
- ▶ Summary

Electroweak top quark production

Main production mechanism is $t\bar{t}$ via the strong interaction:

$$\sigma(tt) \sim 7.1 \text{ pb @ TeV} \quad \sigma(tt) \sim 234 \text{ pb @ LHC8}$$

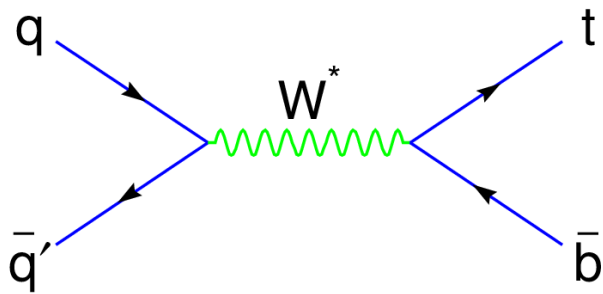
Top quarks can be produced alone via the weak interaction:

$$\sigma(t) \sim 3.2 \text{ pb @ TeV} \quad \sigma(t) \sim 115 \text{ pb @ LHC8}$$

- ▶ 3 production processes: different topologies and properties
- ▶ Offers direct access to $|V_{tb}|$, test V-A nature of SM, probes b PDF
- ▶ Window to new physics: new particles, anomalous couplings
- ▶ LHC w.r.t TeV: s-channel x5, t-channel x40, tW x100, $t\bar{t}$ x30

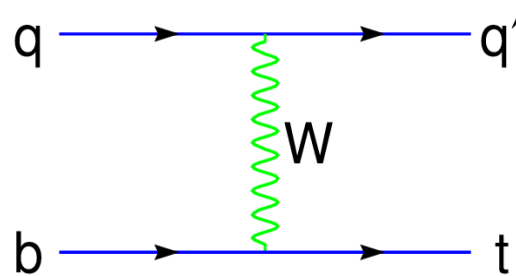
TeV: $1.04 \pm 0.06 \text{ pb}$

LHC8: $5.6 \pm 0.2 \text{ pb}$



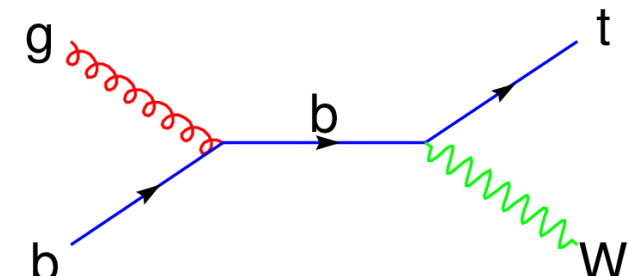
2.1 ± 0.1 pb

87 ± 3 pb



0.22 ± 0.08 pb

22 ± 2 pb



Kidonakis, MSTW2008, NNLO approximation, for $m_t = 173 \text{ GeV}$

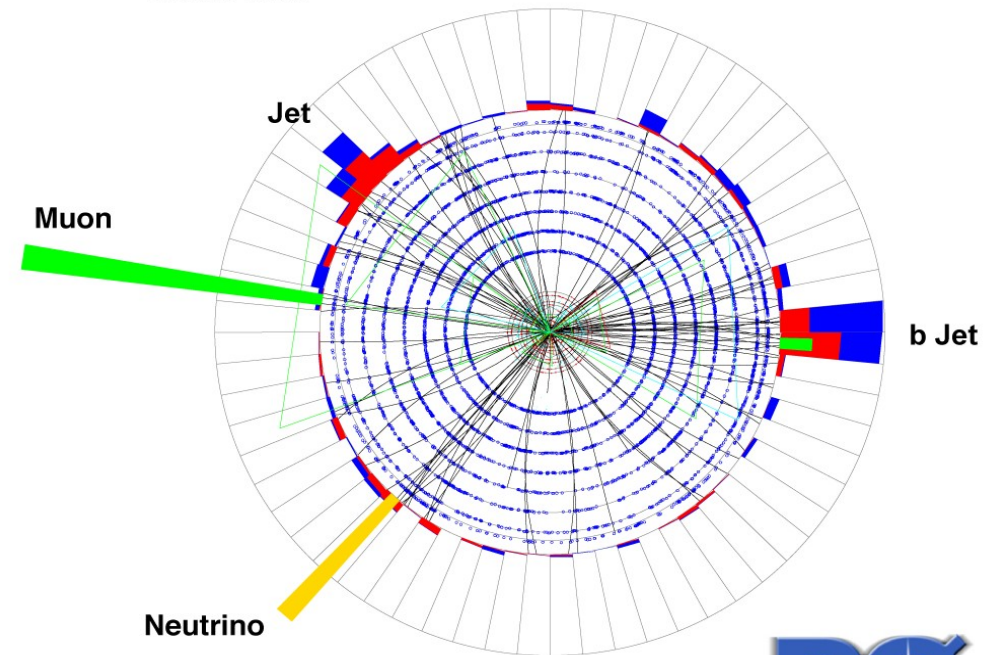
Experimental status

σ (NNLO) [pb]	tb	tqb	tW
TeV prediction	1.04	2.26	0.28
CDF (7.5 fb ⁻¹)	1.8 ± 0.6	1.49 ± 0.45	-
DØ (9.7 fb ⁻¹)	1.10 ± 0.33	3.07 ± 0.53	-
LHC prediction (7 TeV)	4.6	64.6	15.7
ATLAS (0.7-2.1 fb ⁻¹)	<20.5 (95%CL)	83 ± 20	17 ± 6
CMS (1.2-4.9 fb ⁻¹)	-	67 ± 6	16 ± 5

ET scale: 19 GeV

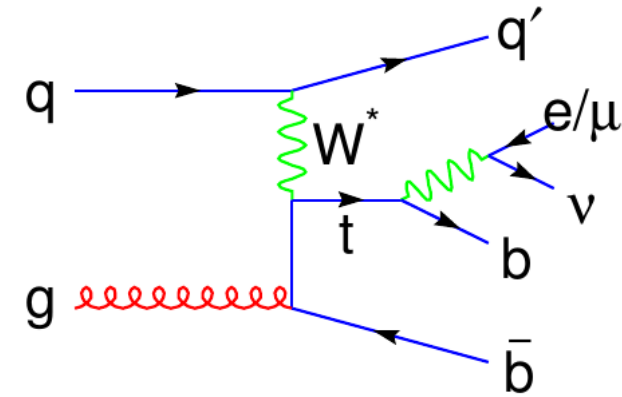
Challenging measurement

- ▶ Extract small signal out of a large background with large uncertainties
- ▶ Lower cross section: $\sigma_t \sim 1/2 \sigma_{tt}$
- ▶ ℓ +MET+2 jets (harder environment)
- ▶ Test bed for Higgs searches
- ▶ Want to measure separate channels



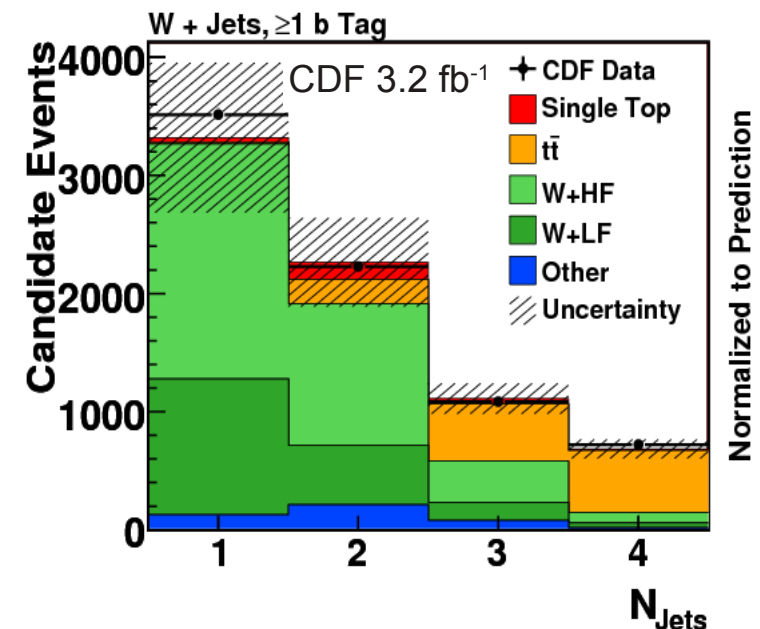
Signal selection

- ▶ Selection designed to be as open as possible: describe backgrounds well
 - Only one isolated ℓ ; 2, 3 (4) jets; 1,2 b-tags; MET
- ▶ S/B $\sim 1/200$ before b-tagging
- ▶ Best S/B $\sim 1/10$ after b-tagging
- ▶ Dominated by W+jets backgrounds
 - 2 jet: $Wb\bar{b}$ 27%, $Wc\bar{c}+cj$ 23%, $W+lf$ 24% of total yield
 - 3 jet: $Wb\bar{b}$ 16%, $Wc\bar{c}+cj$ 12%, $W+lf$ 14% of total yield

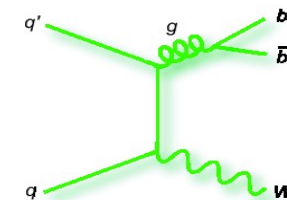


CDF 7.5 fb⁻¹

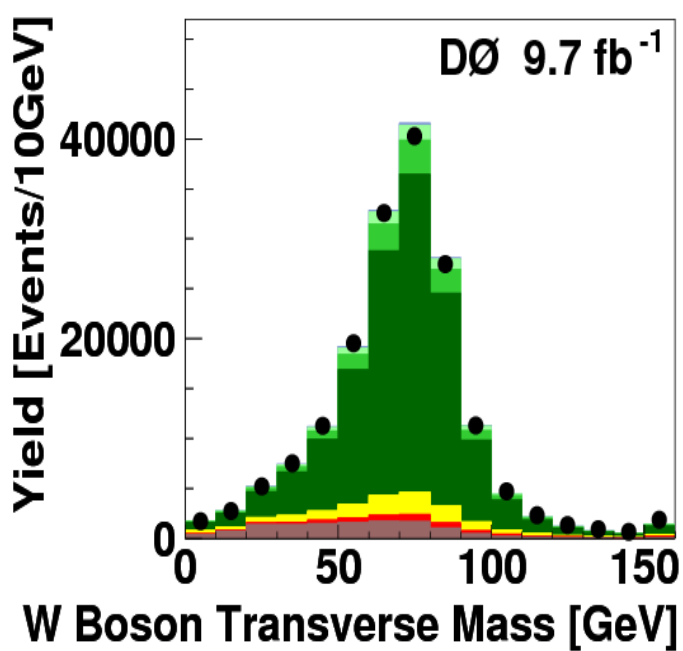
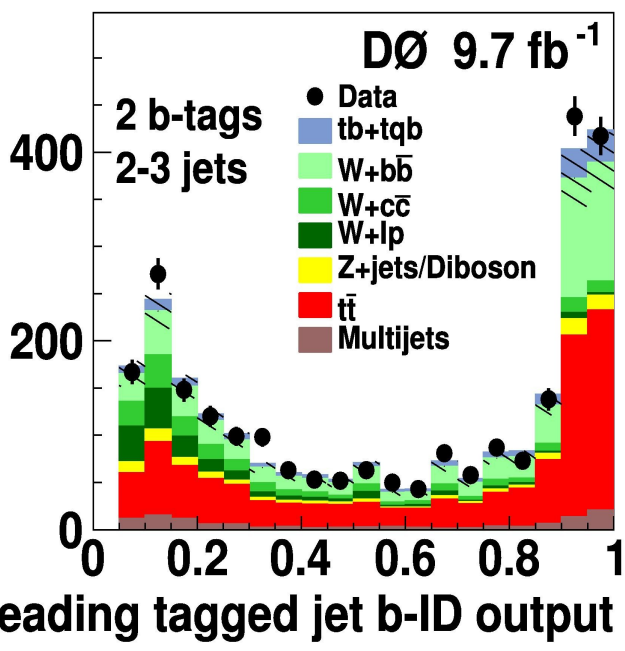
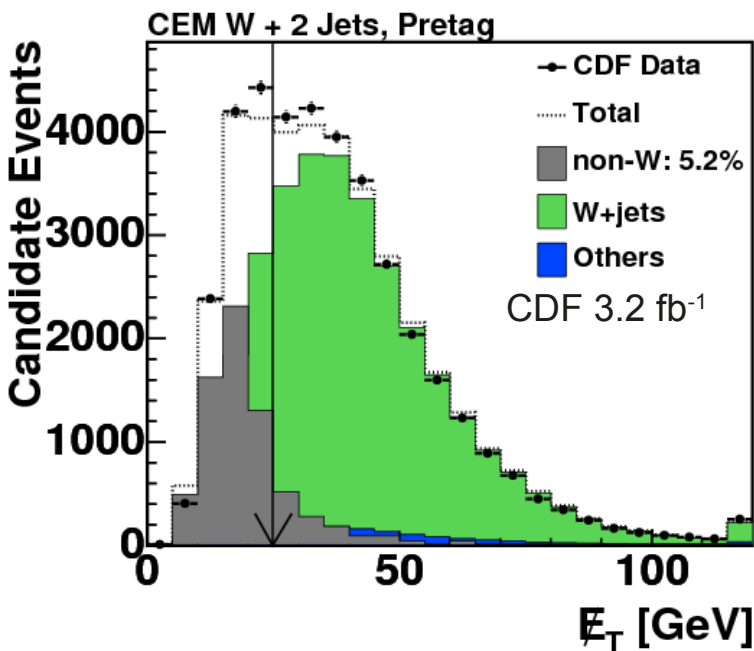
Process	2 jets 1 b-tag	3 jets 1 b-tag	2 jets 2 b-tags	3 jets 2 b-tags
W/Z+jets	4378 ± 547	1295 ± 164	213 ± 56	84 ± 20
tt	474 ± 49	1067 ± 109	98 ± 14	284 ± 42
Diboson	203 ± 22	62.7 ± 7	10 ± 1	4 ± 1
Non-W	316 ± 126	141 ± 57	7 ± 4	3 ± 3
t-channel	193 ± 25	84 ± 11	6 ± 1	15 ± 2
s-channel	128 ± 11	43 ± 4	32 ± 4	12 ± 2
Wt-channel	16 ± 4	26 ± 7	1 ± 0	2 ± 1
Total	5707 ± 877	2719 ± 293	367 ± 66	403 ± 53
Observed	5533	2432	335	355



Background modeling



- ▶ Diboson, Z+jets, $t\bar{t}$ normalized to SM (NLO) cross section
- ▶ Multijets from data with non-isolated lepton ($D\emptyset$) or “sideband” l (CDF)
- ▶ W+jets from Alpgen (Wjj , $Wb\bar{b}$, $Wc\bar{c}$, Wcj)
 - Correct angular distributions jet η and $\Delta R(j_1, j_2)$ before b-tagging
- ▶ W+jets and multijets (QCD) are normalized to data before b-tagging
 - CDF fits templates of W+jets and non-W in MET distribution
 - W+light and W+hf from tag rates in control data
 - $D\emptyset$ uses Matrix Method for overall scale, and MCFM for W+hf
 - Crosscheck W+hf fraction in 0-tag sample and b-ID output fits



CDF NN analysis 7.5 fb⁻¹

▶ Added new lepton category

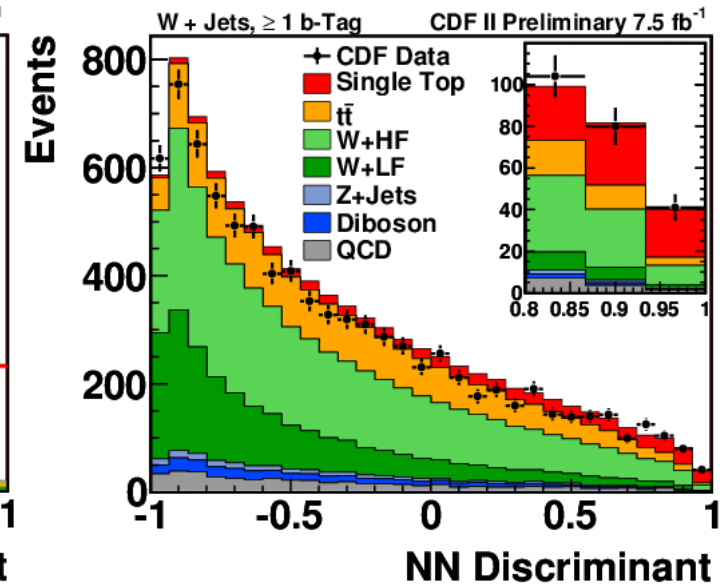
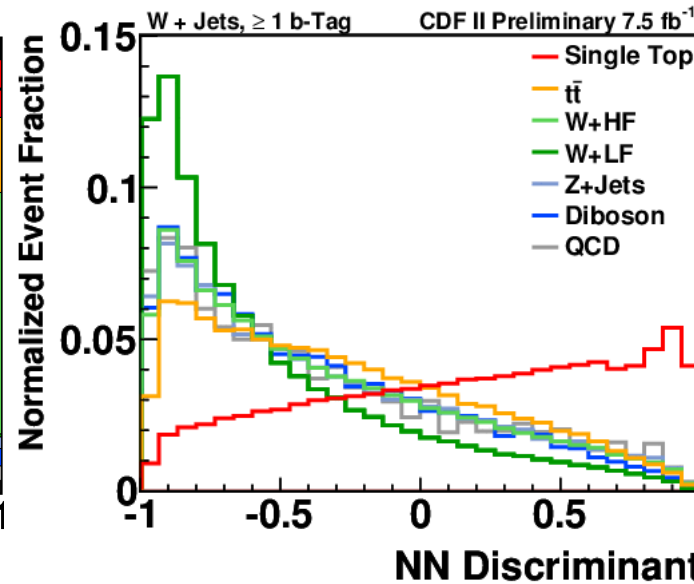
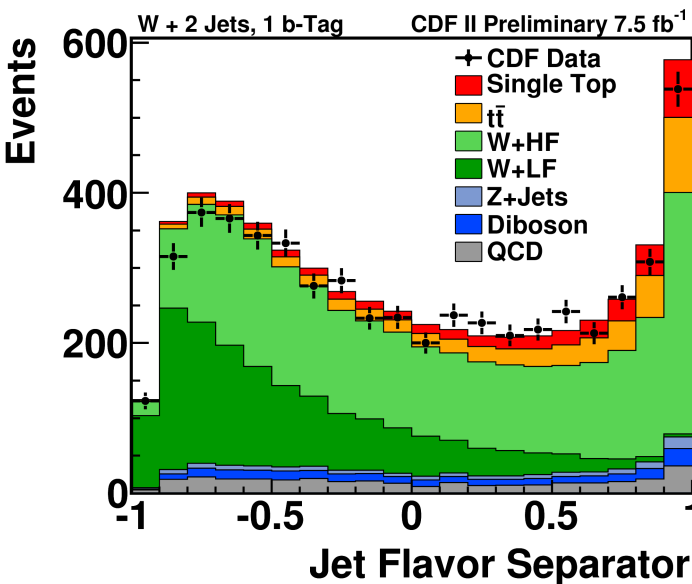
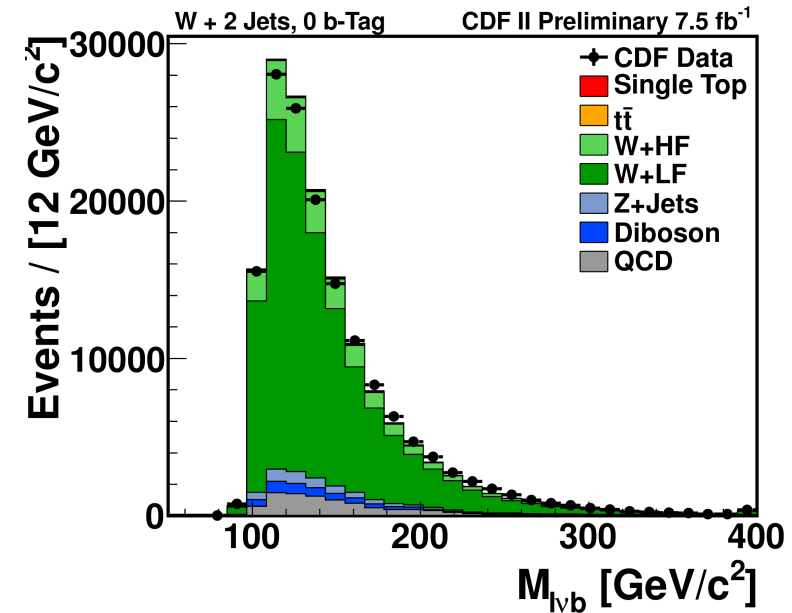
■ ISOTRK → 15% gain in acceptance

▶ Train NN with 11-14 variables

■ Use s-channel only in 2 jet 2 tag, t-channel for the rest

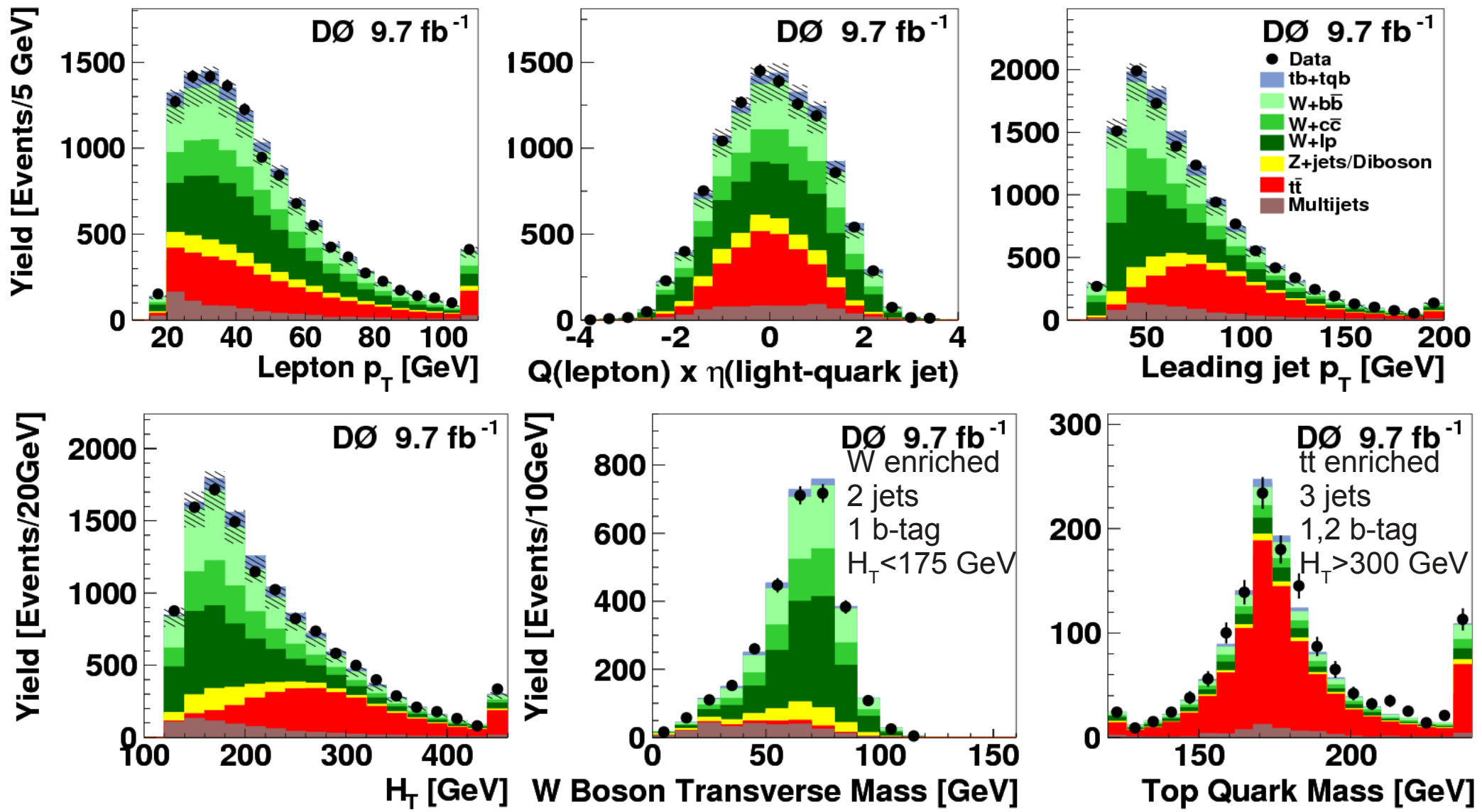
■ Use admixture of systematics shifted samples → 3% improvement

■ Validate data-background agreement in 0-tag sample



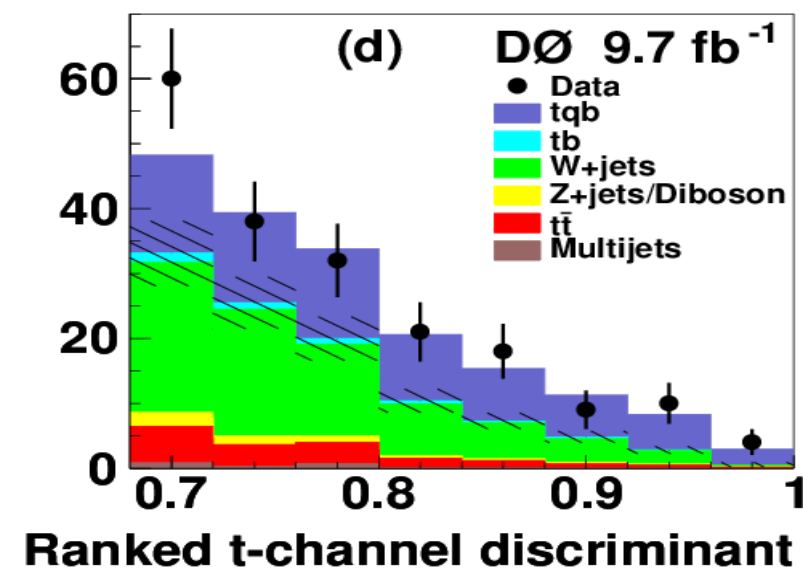
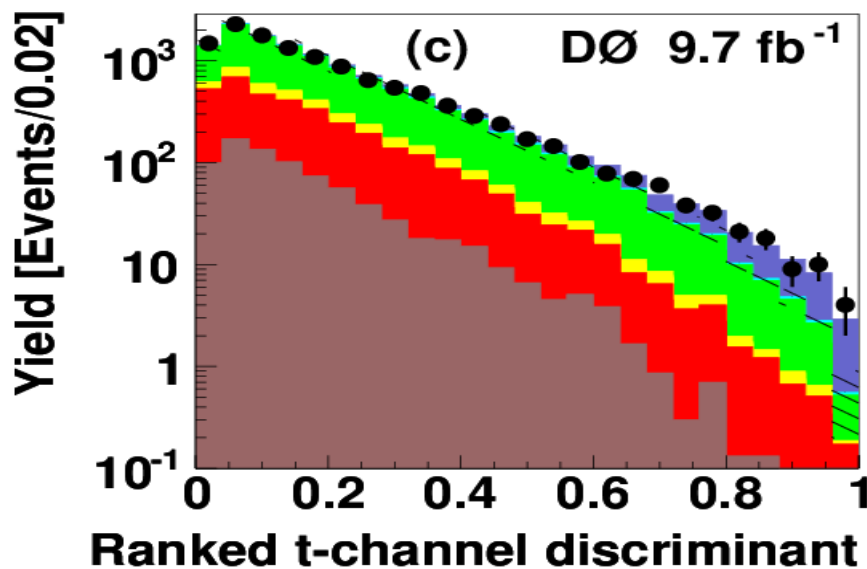
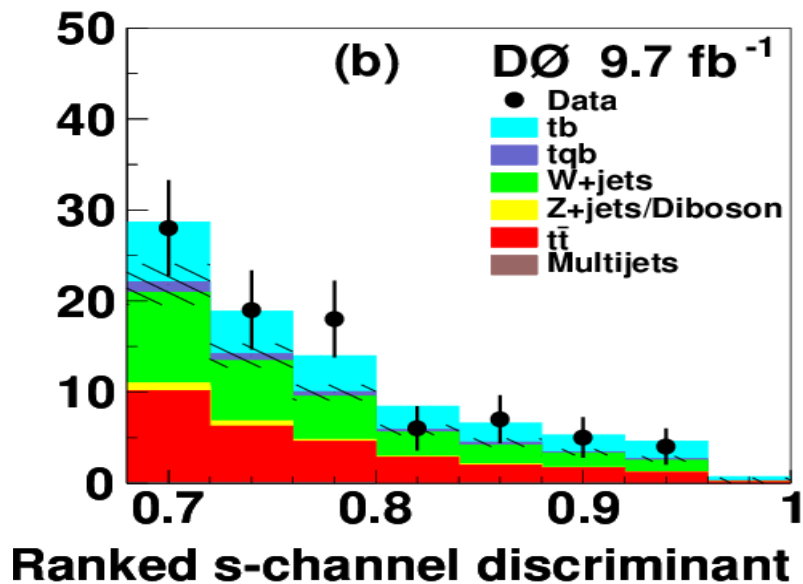
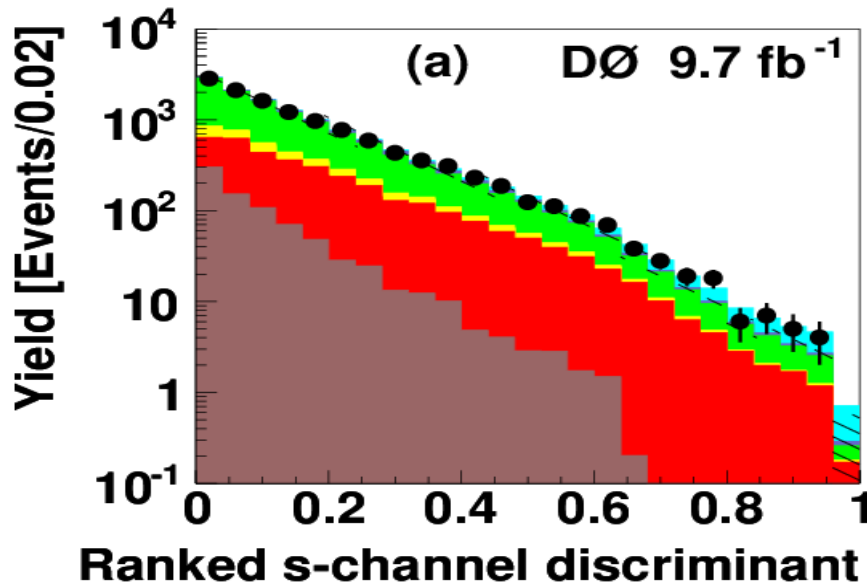
DØ multivariate analysis 9.7 fb^{-1} NEW

- ▶ Optimized selection for s-channel sensitivity
- ▶ DØ has used three different techniques: BDT, BNN, ME
 - BDT uses 30 well-modeled variables, BNN uses 4-vectors
 - Improved ME, better $t\bar{t}$ model, and b-tag weights for discriminants



DØ combined discriminants

- ▶ Obtain separate cross section measurements on same data
- ▶ Each method selects different event kinematics
- ▶ Around 75% correlation → **Combination improves significance**



s+t cross section results

► CDF 7.5 fb⁻¹ (m_t=172.5 GeV) [Note 10793](#)

$$\sigma(\text{s+t}) = 3.0^{+0.6}_{-0.5} \text{ pb} \quad (\pm 19\%)$$

► DØ 9.7 fb⁻¹ (m_t=172.5 GeV) [arXiv: 1307.0731](#)

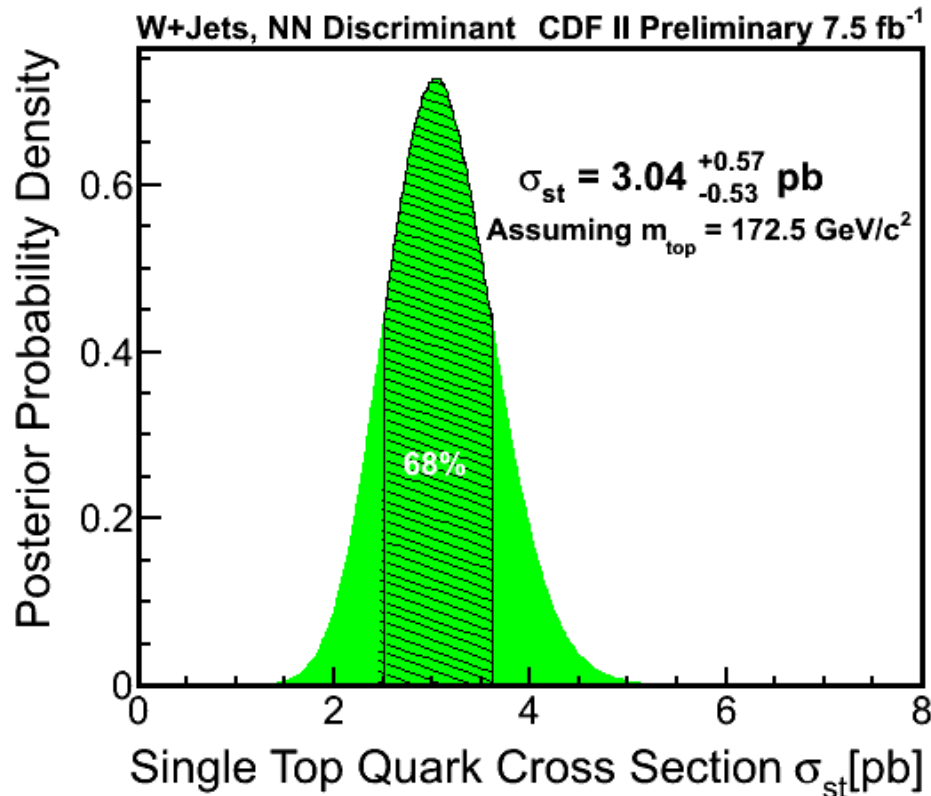
$$\sigma(\text{s+t}) = 4.1 \pm 0.6 \text{ pb} \quad (\pm 14\%)$$

► Previous Tevatron combination (3.2+2.3 fb⁻¹):

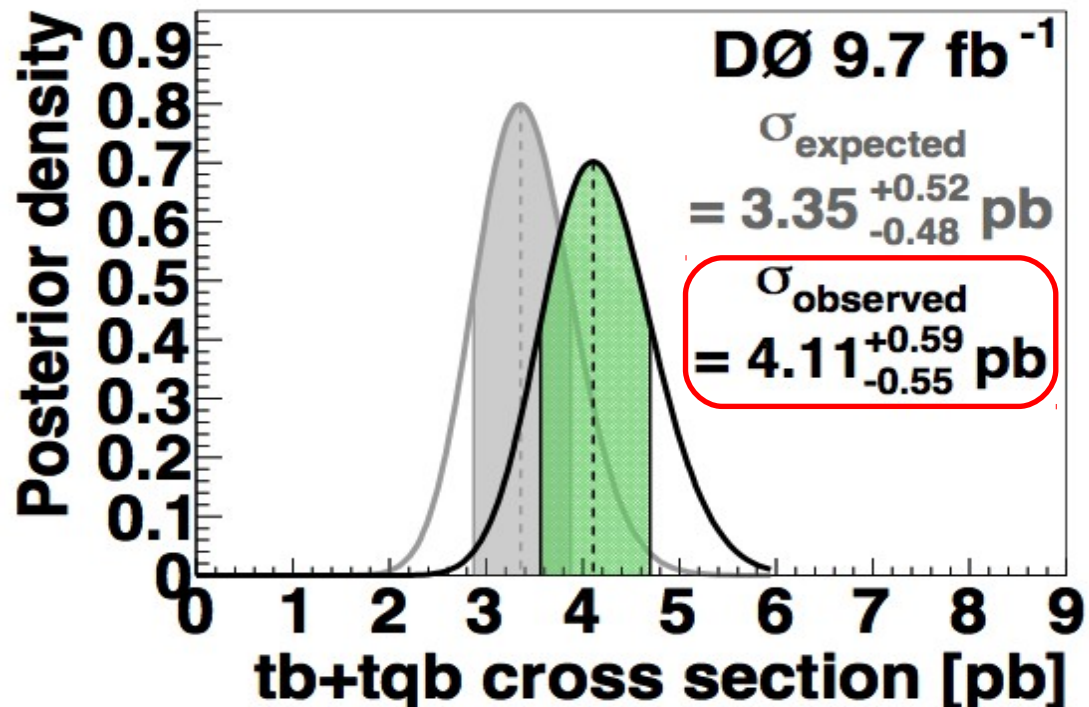
$$\sigma(\text{s+t}) = 2.76^{+0.58}_{-0.47} \text{ pb} \quad (\pm 21\%, m_t=170 \text{ GeV})$$

Main systematics:

- B-tagging
- W+jets normalization
- Jet energy scale / resolution

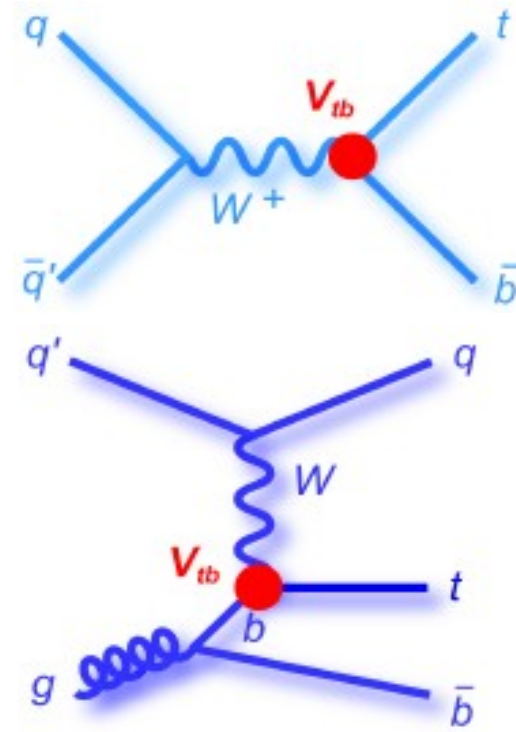


Does not assume SM σ_{tb}/σ_{tqb} ratio



Constraining V_{tb}

- ▶ Single top allows to study V_{tb} at production
- ▶ $\sigma(s,t) \propto |V_{tb}|^2 \rightarrow$ calculate posterior pdf in terms of $|V_{tb}|^2$
- ▶ To transform $\sigma(s+t)$ measurement into V_{tb} , assume:
 - SM top quark decay: $|V_{td}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 \ll |V_{tb}|^2$
 - Pure V-A and CP conserving Wtb vertex
- ▶ No assumption on number of families or CKM unitarity (DØ doesn't assume SM σ_s/σ_t ratio either)
- ▶ Complementary with $t\bar{t}$ decay measurements of R and W helicity

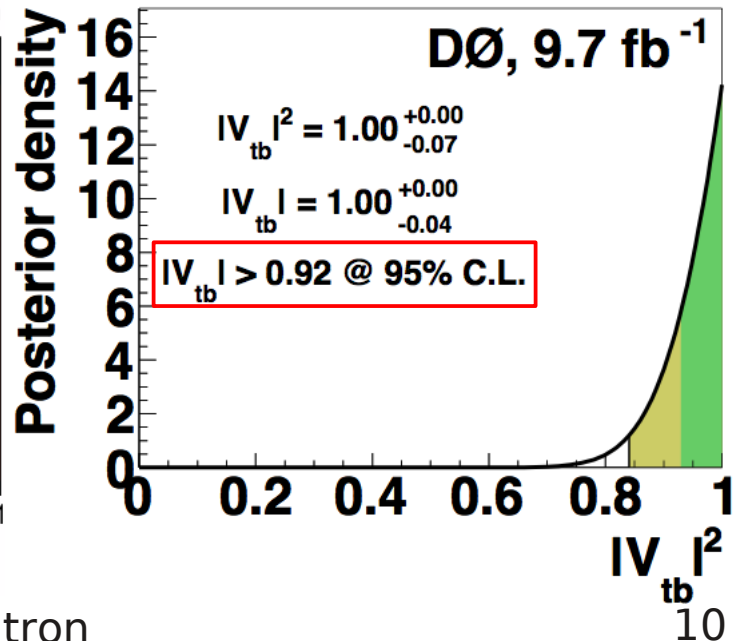
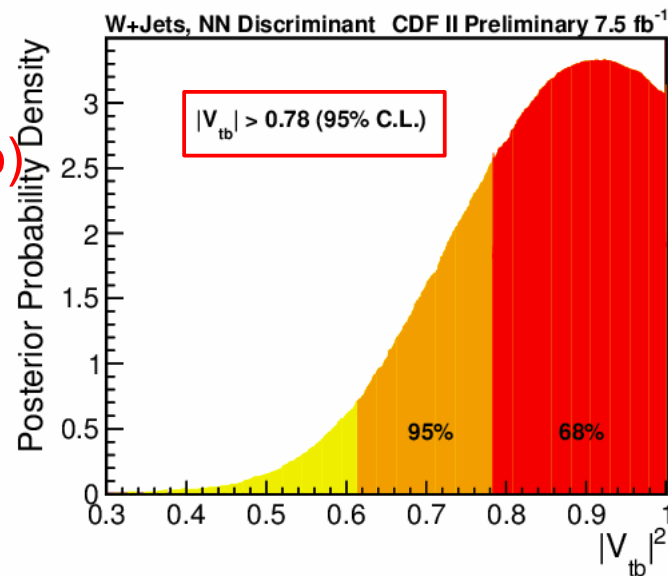


CDF 7.5 fb⁻¹:

$$|V_{tb}| = 0.92^{+0.10}_{-0.08} \pm 0.05(\text{theo})$$

DØ 9.7 fb⁻¹:

$$|V_{tb}^{f_V}| = 1.12^{+0.09}_{-0.08}$$



SM-independent 2D measurements

► Relax s:t SM ratio in posterior

■ DØ 9.7 fb⁻¹:

$$\sigma_s = 1.10 \pm 0.33 \text{ pb} \quad (\pm 29\%)$$

$$\sigma_t = 3.07 \pm 0.53 \text{ pb} \quad (\pm 17\%)$$

■ CDF 7.5 fb⁻¹:

$$\sigma_s = 1.81 \pm 0.63 \text{ pb} \quad (\pm 33\%)$$

$$\sigma_t = 1.49 \pm 0.47 \text{ pb} \quad (\pm 30\%)$$

► New physics can alter ratio

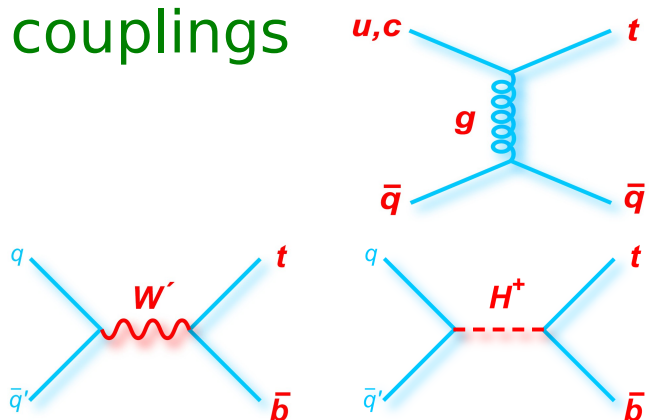
► Specialized searches in single top by DØ and CDF:

■ Anomalous couplings

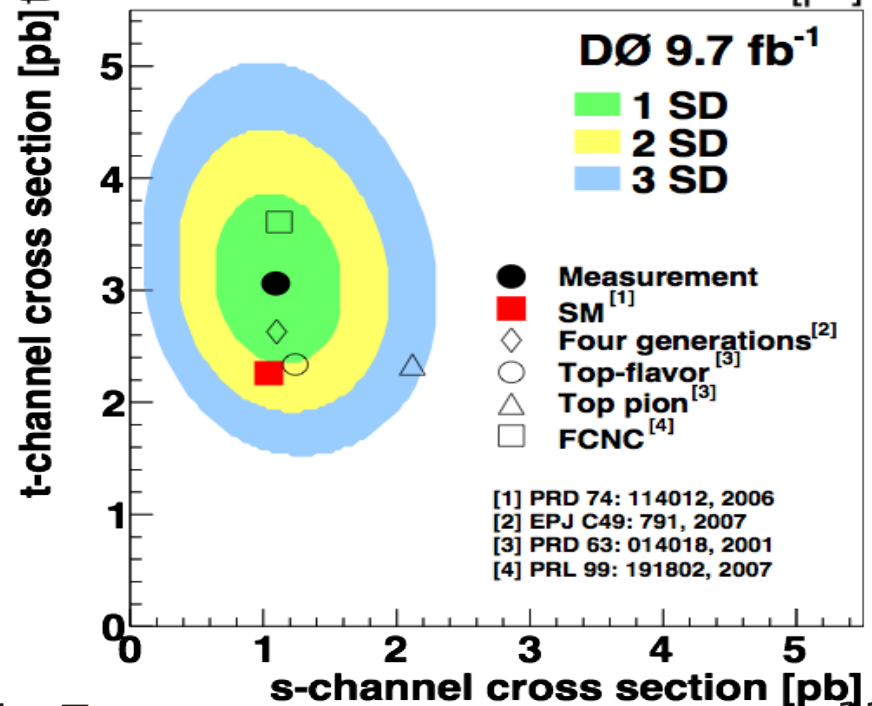
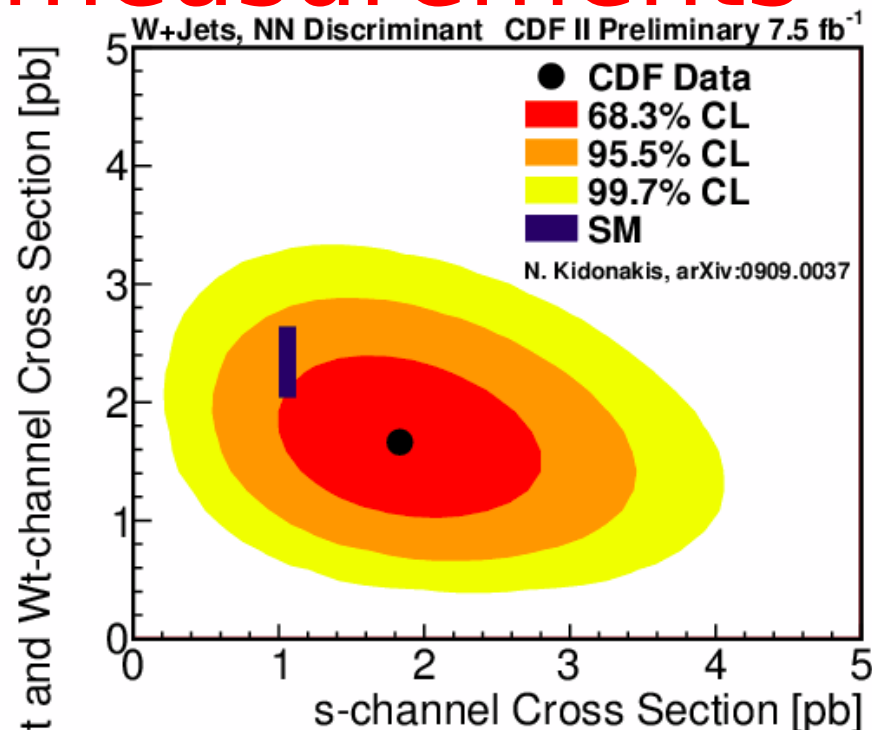
■ FCNC

■ W'

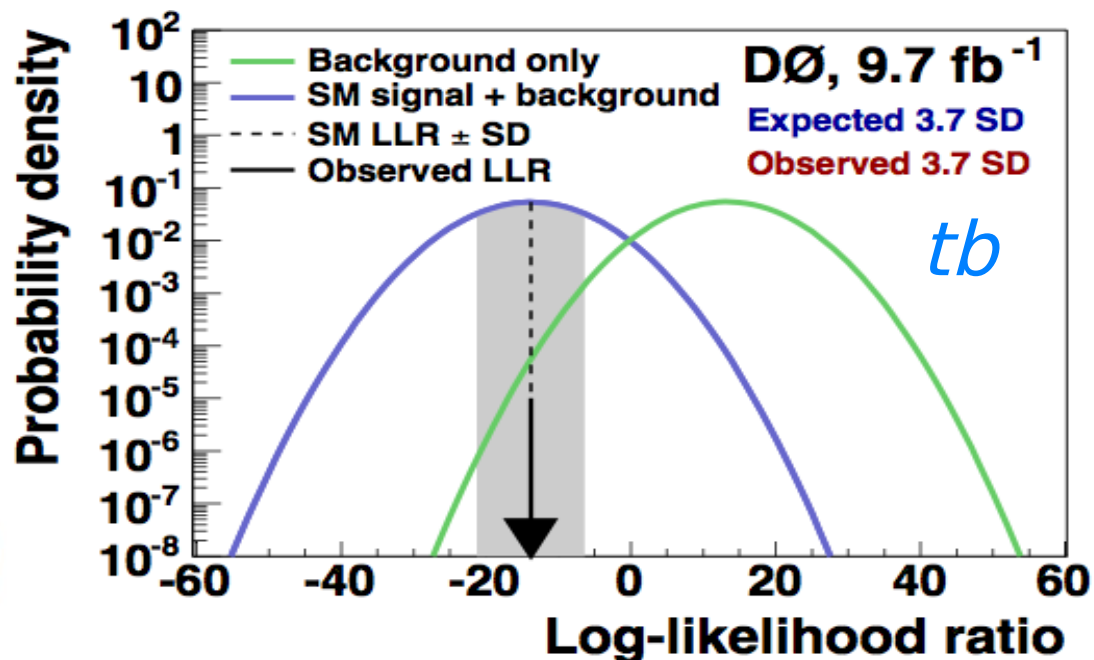
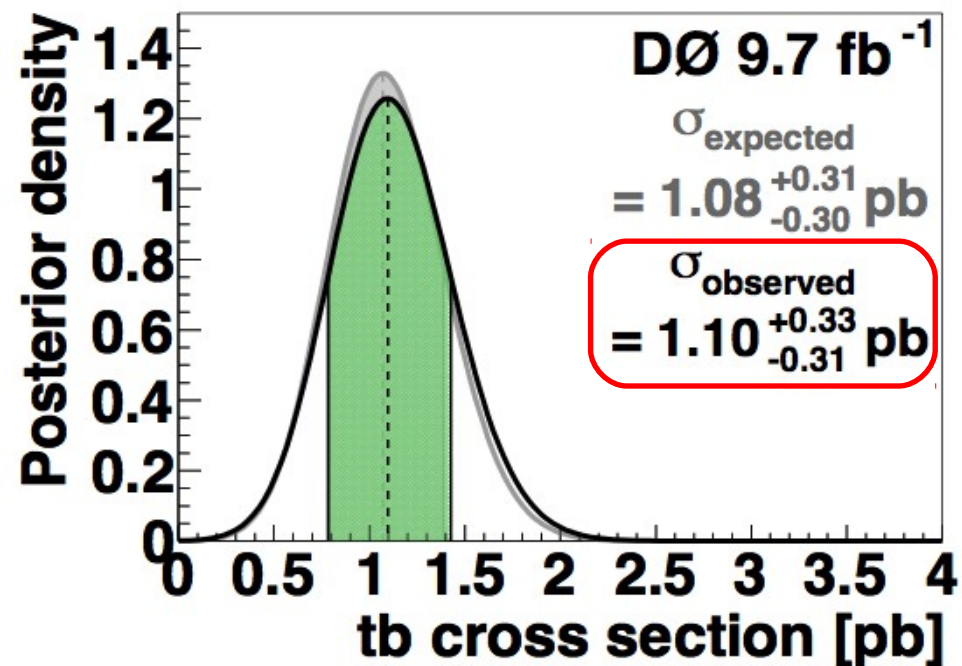
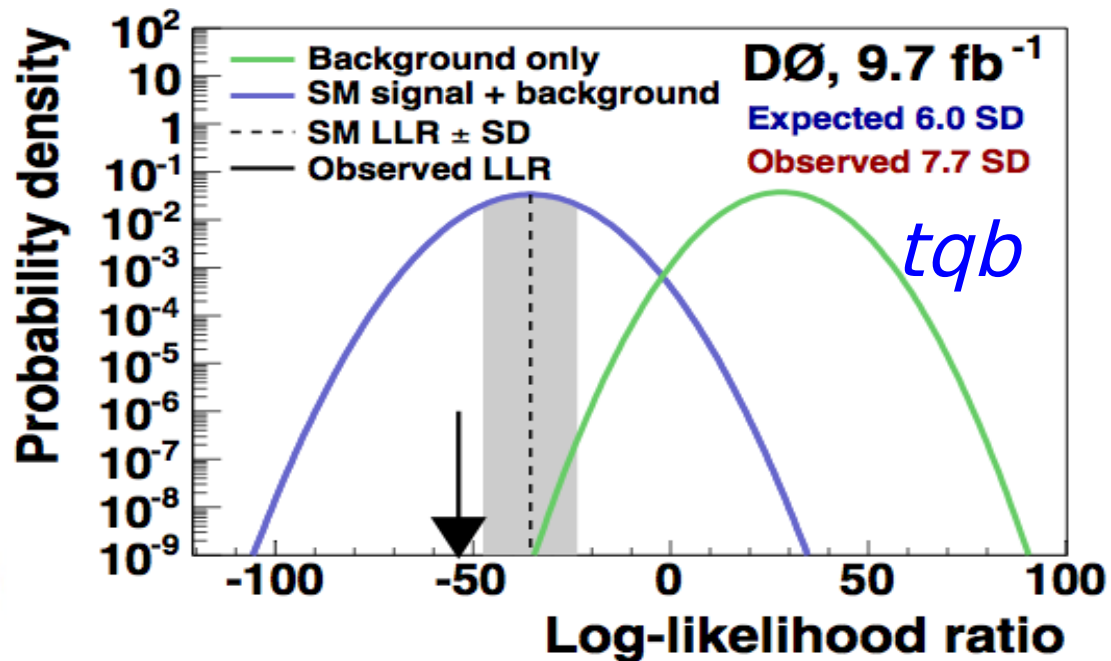
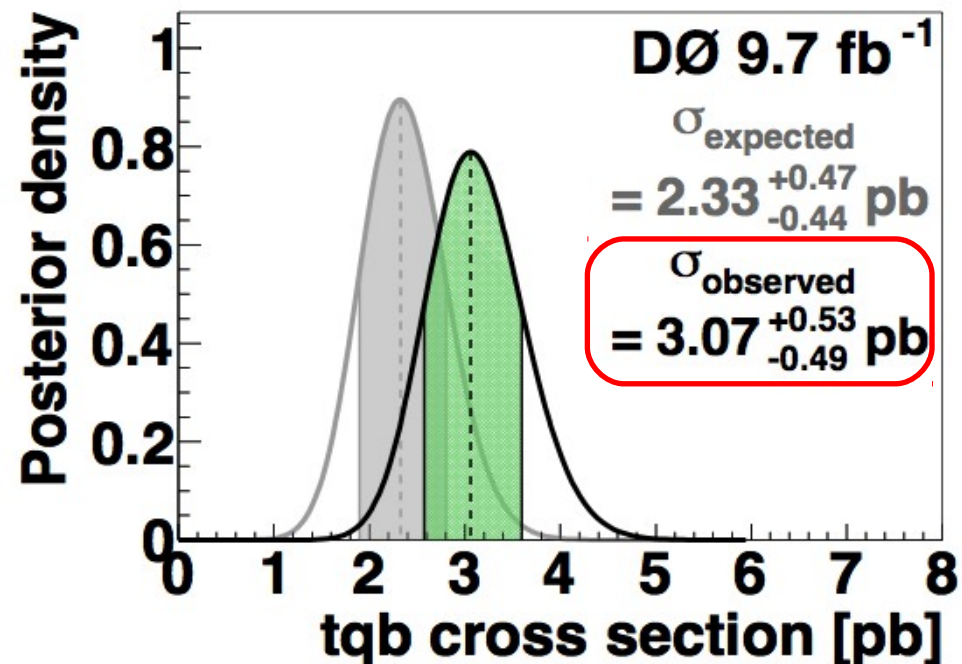
■ H[±]



Single top at the Tevatron



DØ first evidence for s-channel



CDF 9.1 fb⁻¹ MET+jets analysis

► MET+jets selection only

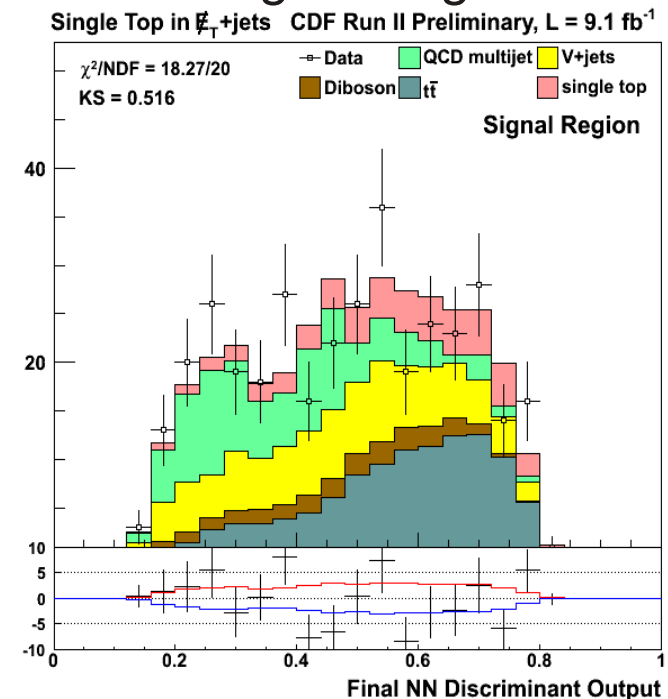
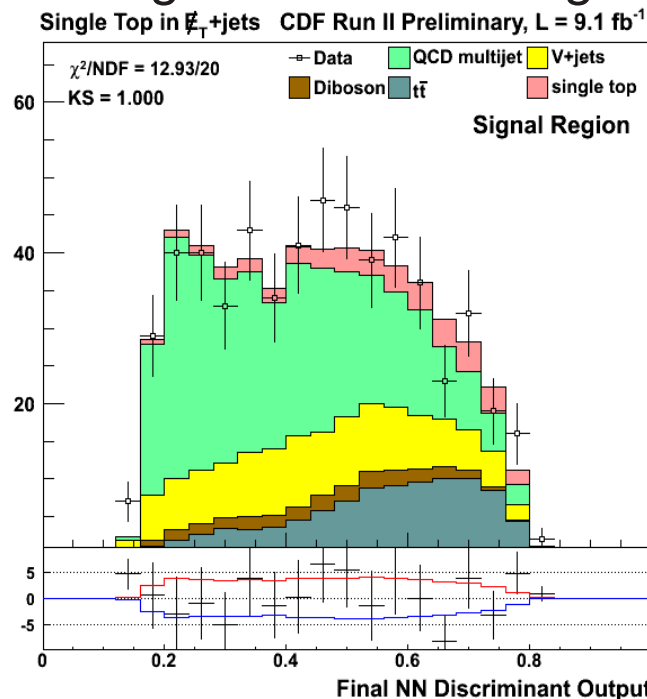
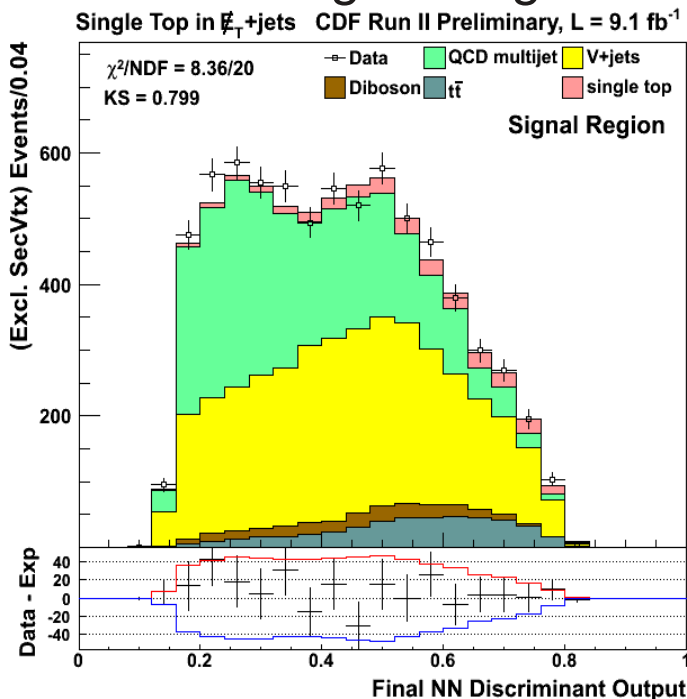
CDF Note 10979

- Recover partially reconstructed electrons and muons
- Include $W \rightarrow \tau \nu$ (hadronically-decaying taus as jets)
- Completely orthogonal dataset to ℓ +jets selection
- Train several MVA against QCD and $t\bar{t}$, then combine with NN

1 tight b-tag

1 tight + 1 loose b-tag

2 tight b-tags

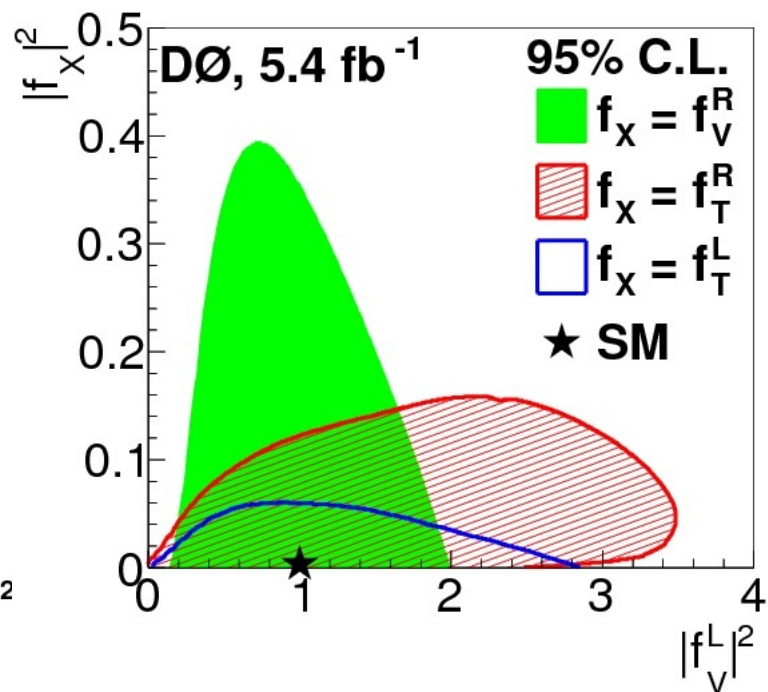
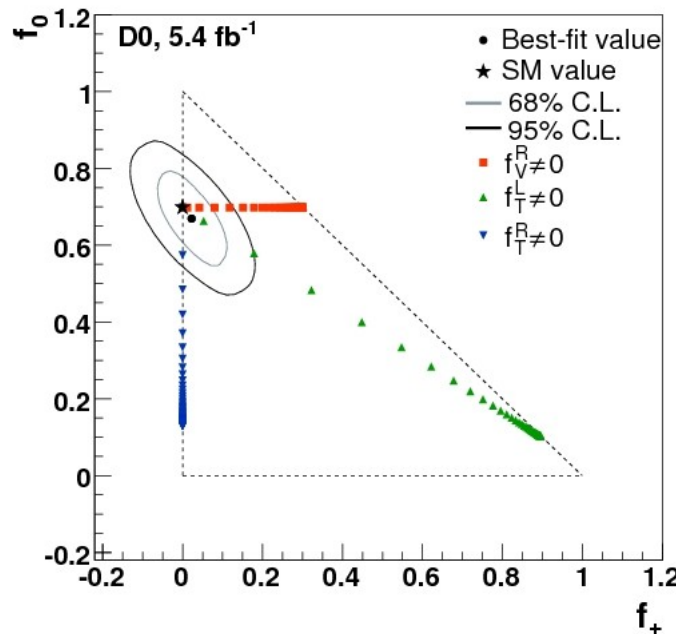
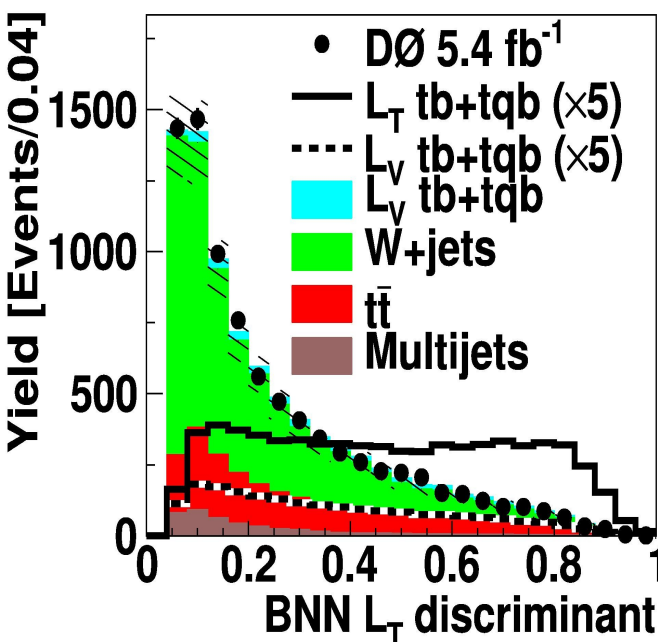


$$\sigma_{s+t} = 3.0^{+1.5}_{-1.4} \text{ pb} \quad (\pm 50\%)$$

W helicity and anomalous Wtb couplings

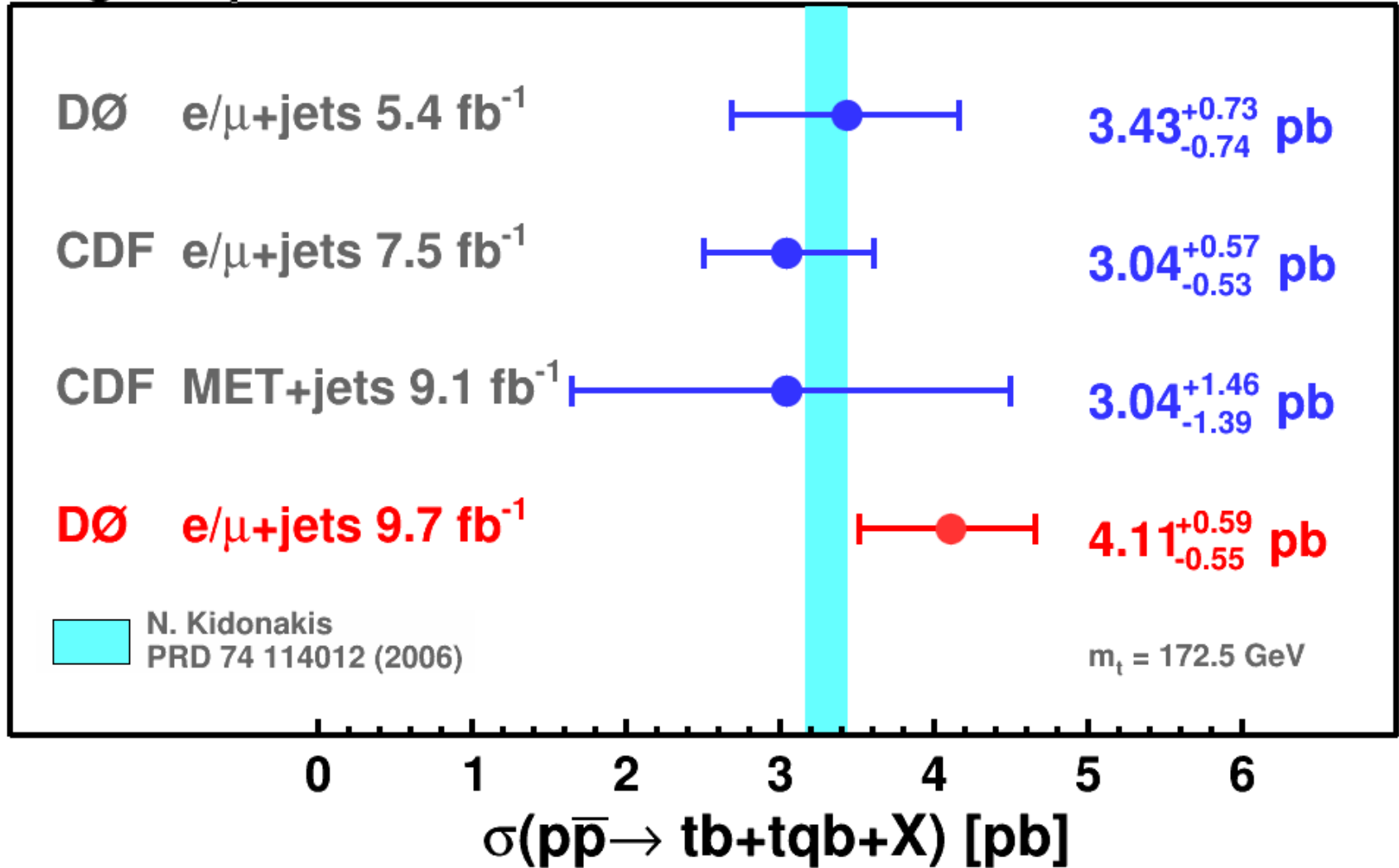
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{b} \gamma^\mu V_{tb} (f_V^L P_L + f_V^R P_R) t W_\mu^- - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{b} \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu V_{tb}}{M_W} (f_T^L P_L + f_T^R P_R) t W_\mu^-$$

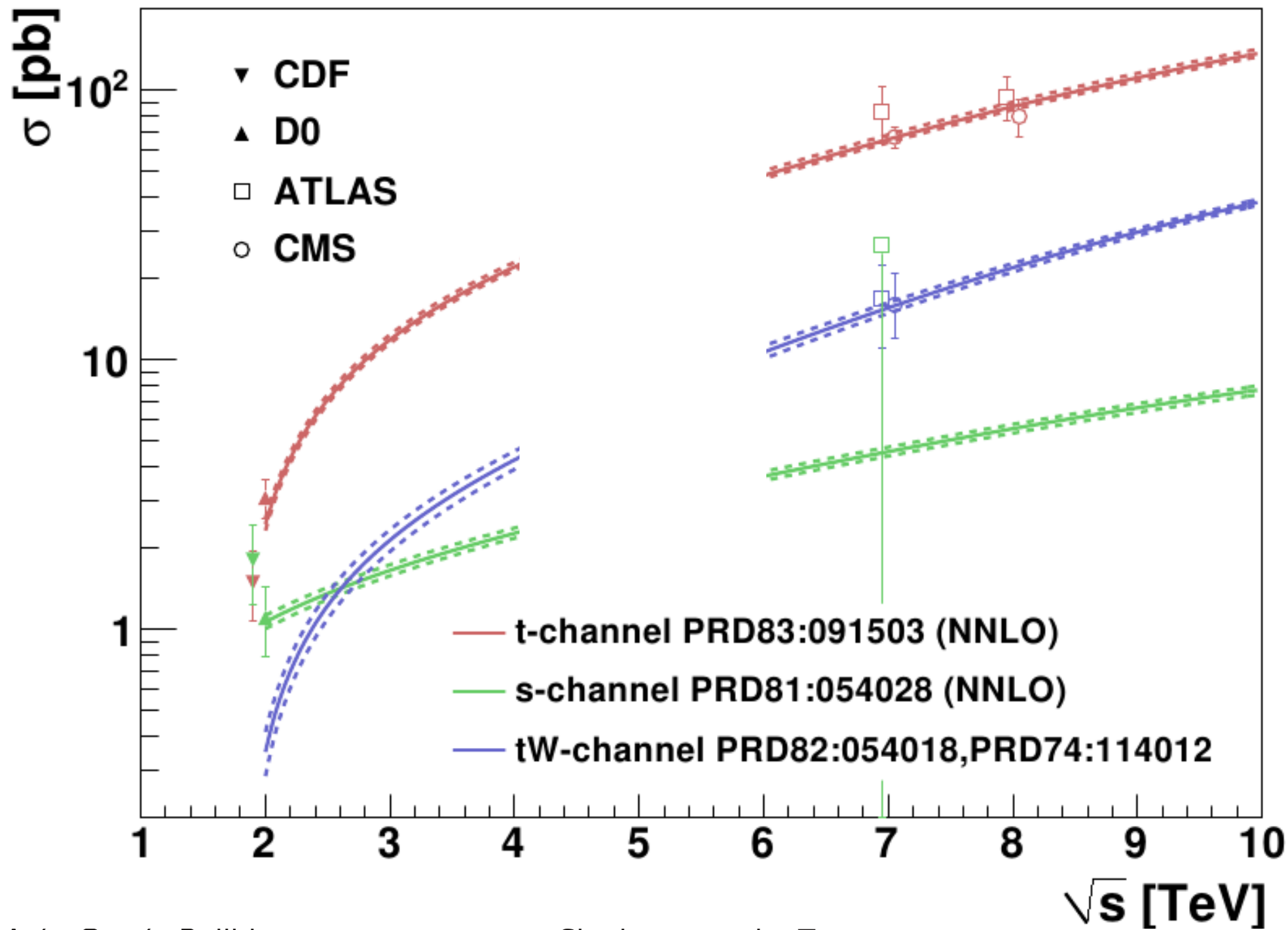
- ▶ In SM: $f_V^L=1$ and $f_V^R=f_T^L=f_T^R=0$
- ▶ Change rate and kinematics of single top production
 - Assume Wtb production and $|V_{td}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 \ll |V_{tb}|^2$
 - Train BNN discriminant against each separate signal
- ▶ Change f_- (30%), f_0 (70%), f_+ (0%) rates in W helicity from $t\bar{t}$ decays
 - Use $\cos\theta^*$ as discriminant (angle between ℓ and t in W rest frame)



Summary of s+t measurements

Single Top Quark Cross Section



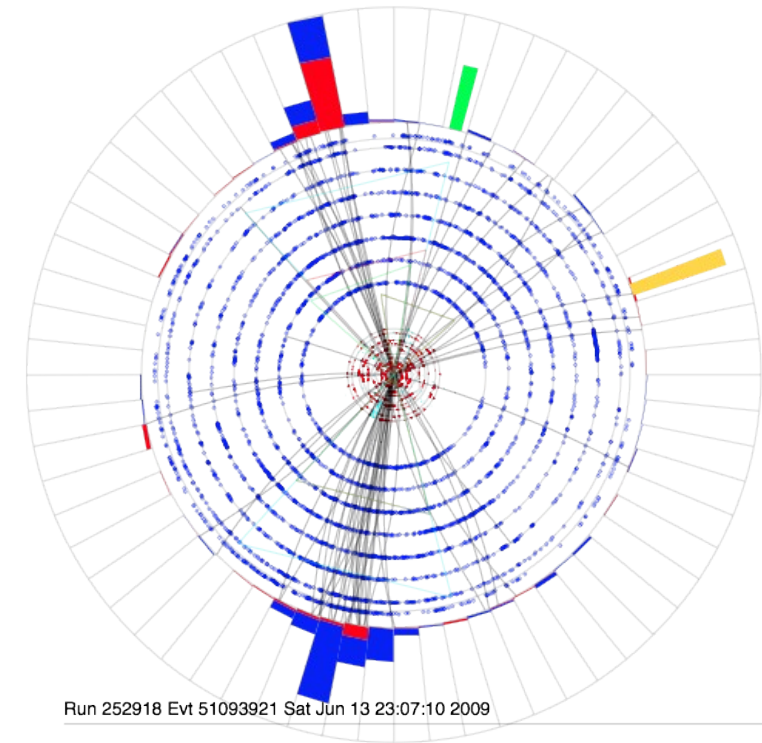


Conclusions

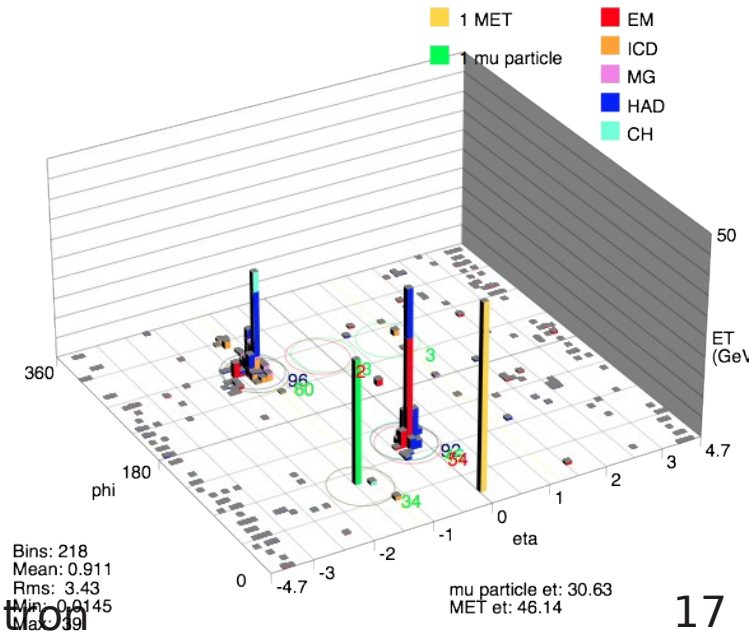
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ET scale: 54 GeV

- ▶ Very rich single top physics program
 - Top width: $\Gamma_t = 2.0^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$ GeV
 - Polarization: consistent with -1
 - W' : $W'_L > 863$ GeV @ 95% C.L.
 - FCNC: $B(t \rightarrow gu) < 2.0 \times 10^{-4}$
 - H^+ : Type I 2HDM ($m_H, \tan\beta$) exclusion
 - Anomalous couplings
- ▶ Important to measure s and t separately
- ▶ $D\emptyset$ shows evidence for s-channel (3.7 SD)
- ▶ $\sigma(s+t)$ measured with 14% precision
- ▶ $\sigma(t)$ measured with 17% precision
- ▶ $|V_{tb}|$ measured to ~8% precision ($D\emptyset + CDF$)
- ▶ Single top observation is a legacy measurement from the Tevatron
 - Planning CDF+ $D\emptyset$ combination with full dataset in the fall



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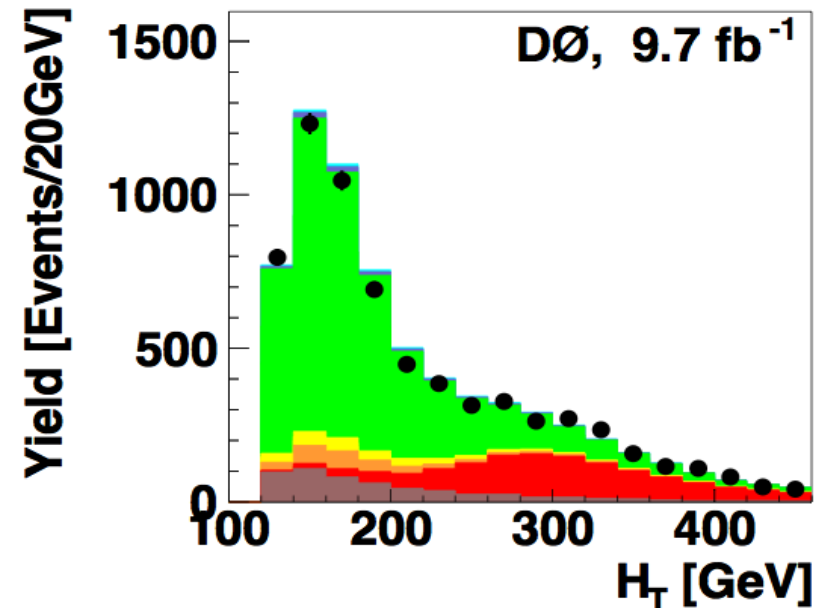
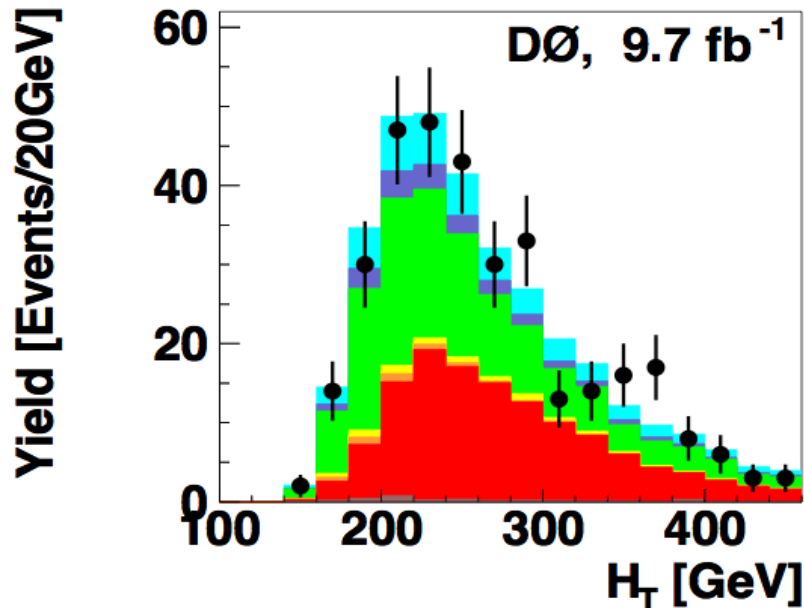
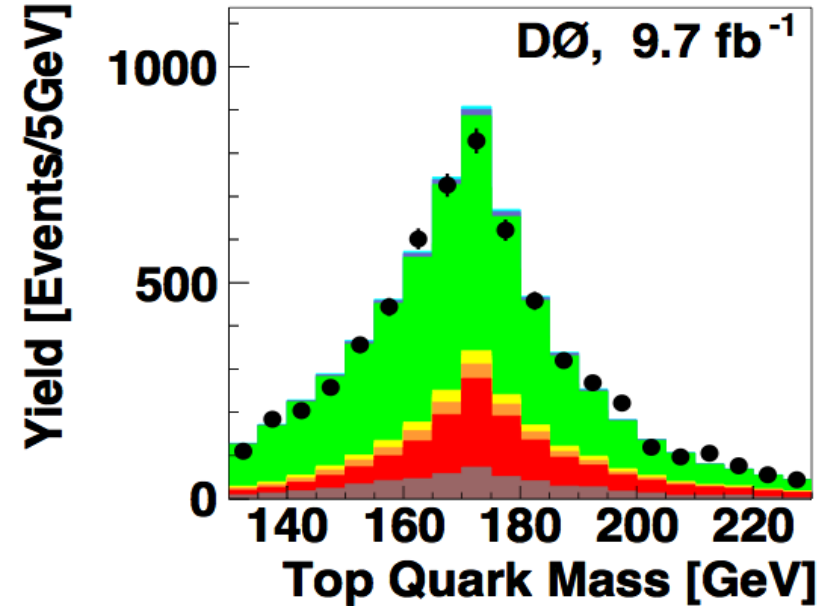
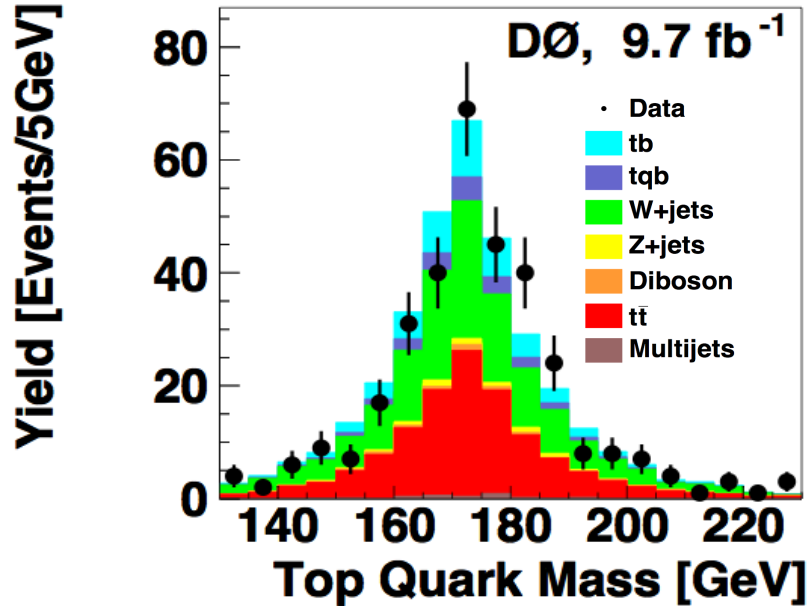


Extras

Event characteristics

tb Category: $D_{tb} > 0.8$

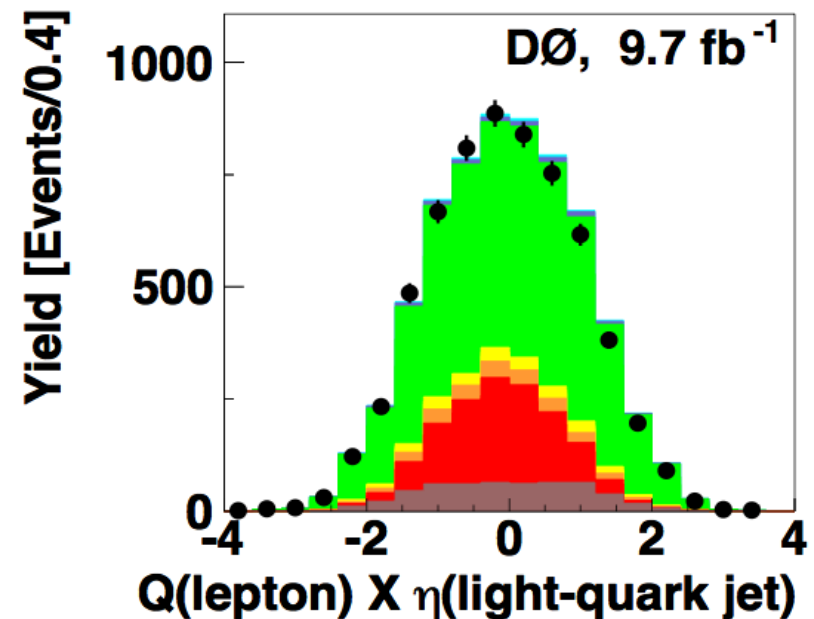
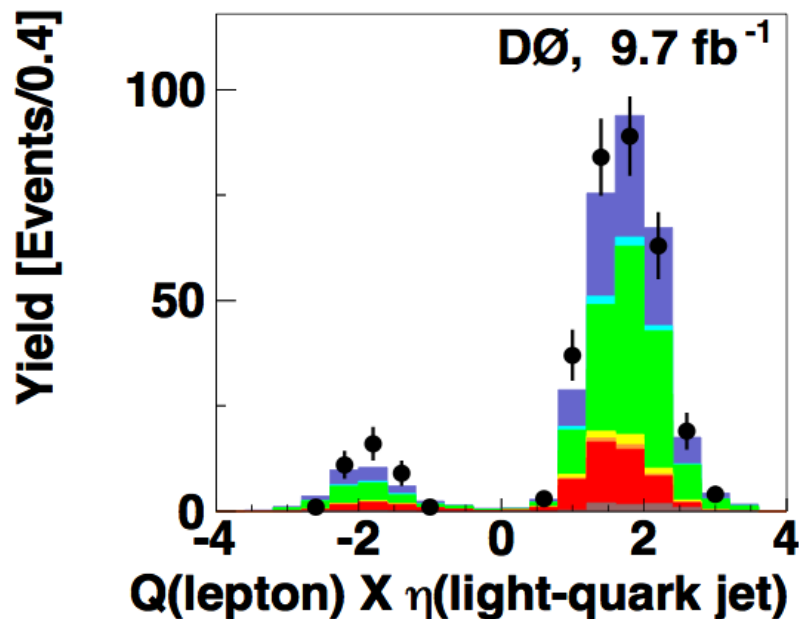
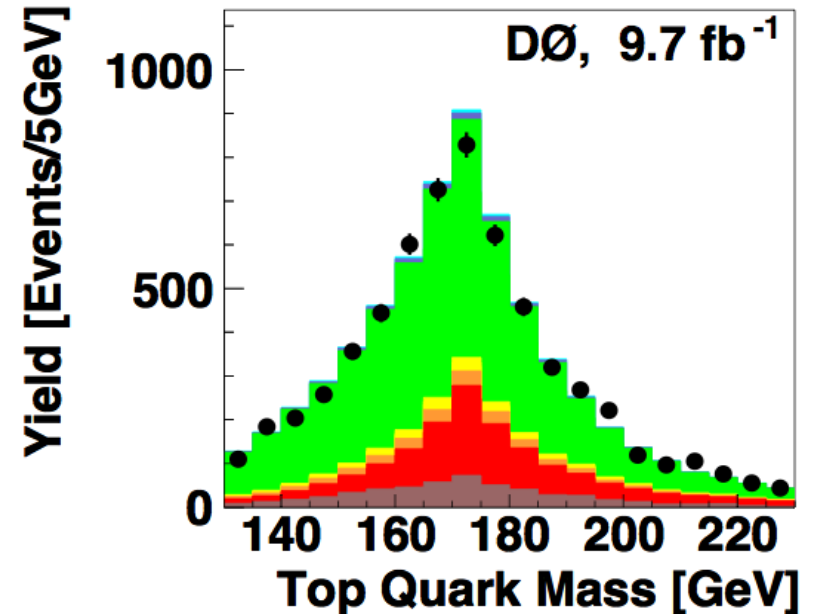
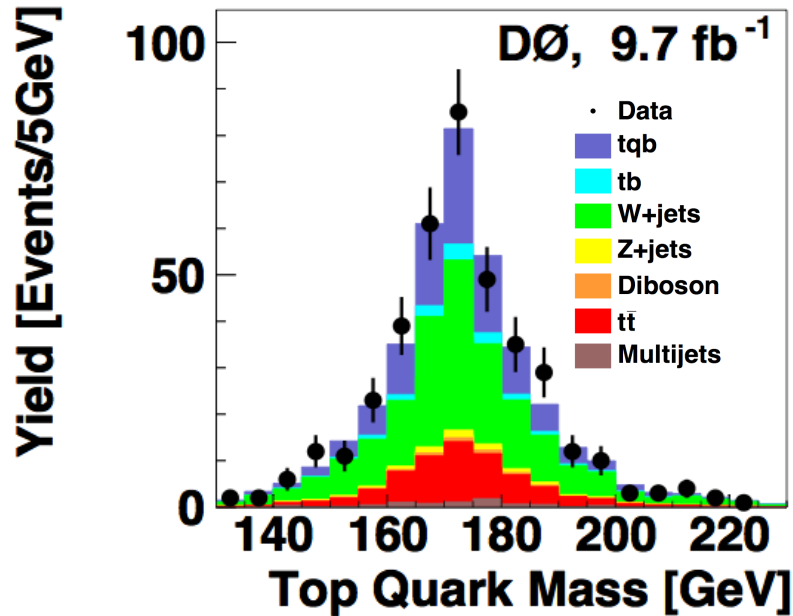
tb & *tqb* Depleted Region



Event characteristics

tqb Category: $D_{tqb} > 0.8$

tb & tqb Depleted Region



Source of Uncertainty	Rate	Shape	Processes affected
Jet energy scale	0–8%	X	all
Initial and final state radiation	0–6%	X	single top, $t\bar{t}$
Parton distribution functions	0–1%	X	single top, $t\bar{t}$
Acceptance and efficiency scale	1–7%		single top, $t\bar{t}$, diboson, Z/γ^* +jets
Luminosity	6%		single top, $t\bar{t}$, diboson, Z/γ^* +jets
Jet flavor separator		X	all
Mistag model		X	W +light
Non- W model		X	Non- W
Factorization and renormalizatio		X	$Wb\bar{b}$
Jet η and ΔR distribution		X	W +light
Non- W normalization	40%		Non- W
$Wb\bar{b}$ and $Wc\bar{c}$ norm	30%		$Wb\bar{b}$, $Wc\bar{c}$
Wc normalization	30%		Wc
Mistag normalization	10–20%		W +light
$t\bar{t}$ normalization	8%		$t\bar{t}$
Monte Carlo generator	3–7%		single top, $t\bar{t}$
Single top normalization	7%		single top
Top mass	2-12%	X	single top, $t\bar{t}$

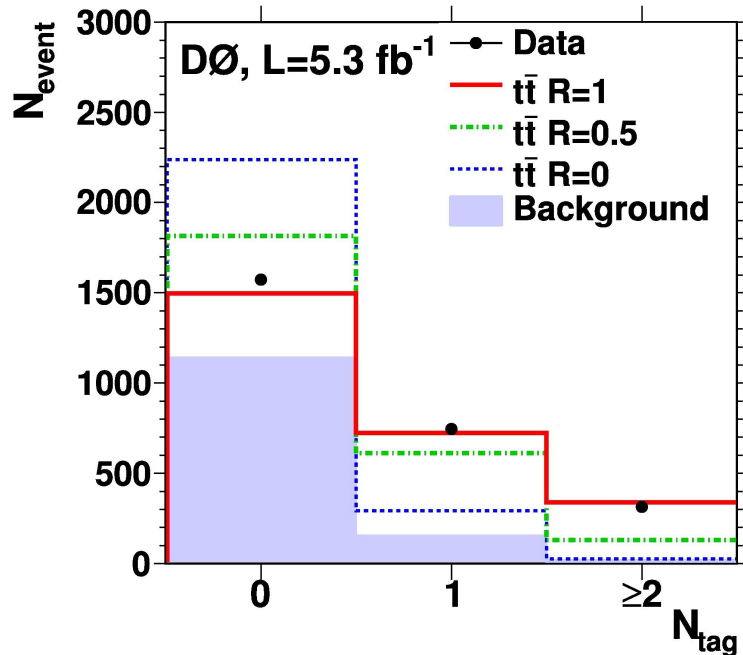
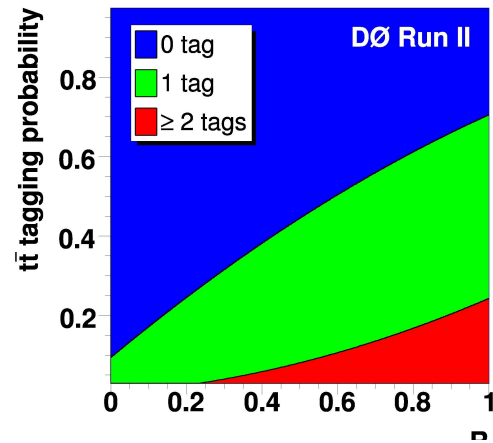
* X indicates the sources of uncertainty from shape variation

* Sources listed below double line are used only in $|V_{tb}|$ measurement

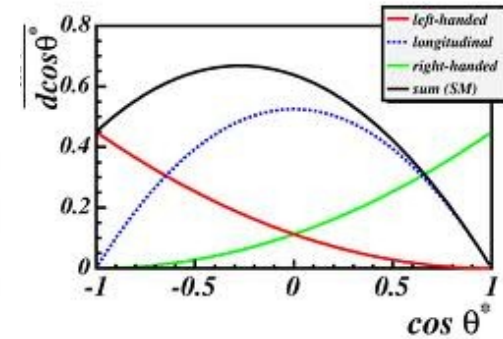
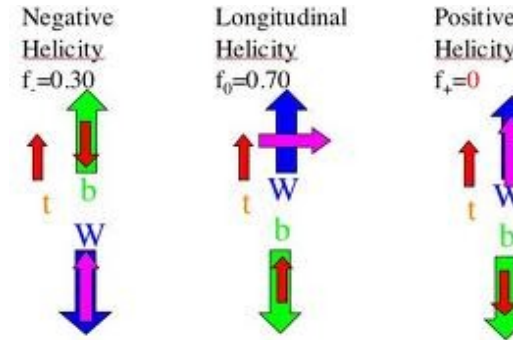
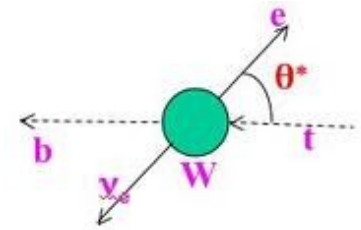
Top mass [GeV]	cross sections [pb]	
	t-channel	s-channel
170	2.80 ^{+0.57} _{-0.61}	1.31 ^{+0.77} _{-0.74}
172.5	2.90 ^{+0.59} _{-0.59}	0.98 ^{+0.62} _{-0.63}
175	2.53 ^{+0.58} _{-0.57}	0.65 ^{+0.51} _{-0.50}

R measurement

$$P_{total}^n(tt) = R^2 A(bb) P_t^n(bb) + 2R(1-R) A(bq_l) P_t^n(bq_l) + (1-R)^2 A(q_l q_l) P_t^n(q_l q_l),$$



W helicity



$$|f_V^L| = 1 + |C_{\phi q}^{(3,3+3)}| \frac{v^2}{V_{tb}\Lambda^2},$$

$$|f_V^R| = \frac{1}{2} |C_{\phi\phi}^{33}| \frac{v^2}{V_{tb}\Lambda^2},$$

$$|f_T^L| = \sqrt{2} |C_{dW}^{33}| \frac{v^2}{V_{tb}\Lambda^2},$$

$$|f_T^R| = \sqrt{2} |C_{uW}^{33}| \frac{v^2}{V_{tb}\Lambda^2},$$

$$f_- = \frac{2(1+x_m)}{a_t^2(1+x_0) + 2(1+x_m+x_p)}$$

$$f_0 = \frac{a_t^2(1+x_0)}{a_t^2(1+x_0) + 2(1+x_m+x_p)}$$

$$f_+ = \frac{2x_p}{a_t^2(1+x_0) + 2(1+x_m+x_p)}$$

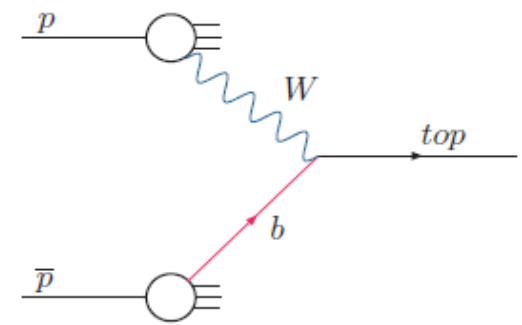
$$a_t = m_t/m_W$$

$$x_m = (f_1^L + a_t f_2^R)^2 - 1$$

$$x_0 = (f_1^L + f_2^R/a_t)^2 + (f_1^R + f_2^L/a_t)^2 - 1$$

$$x_p = (f_1^R + a_t f_2^L)^2.$$

Top quark width



- ▶ Direct measurements limited by m_t resolution
- ▶ Suggested by C.P. Yuan in 1995 ([hep-ph/9509208](#))

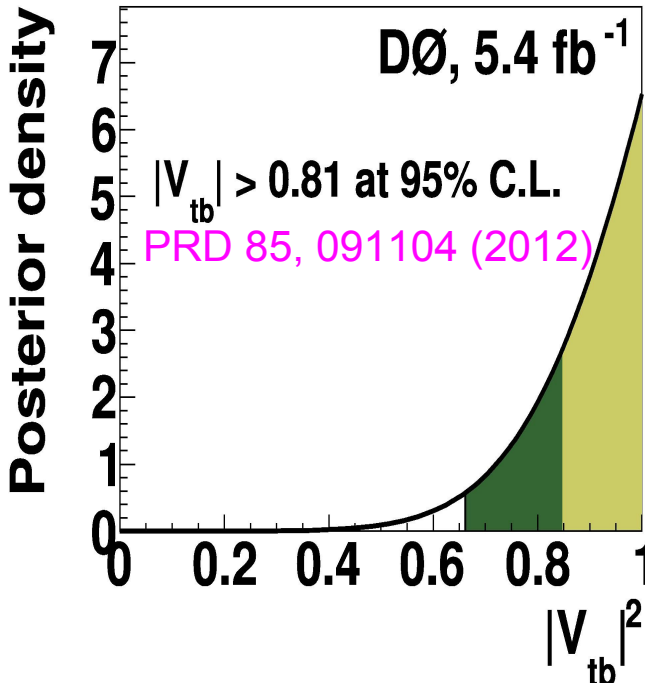
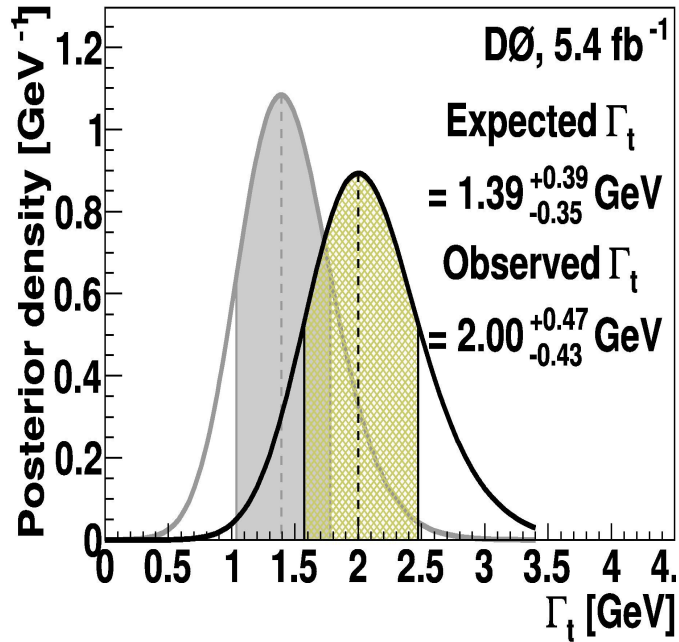
$$\Gamma_t = \frac{\Gamma(t \rightarrow Wb)}{B(t \rightarrow Wb)} = \frac{\sigma(t\text{-channel}) \frac{\Gamma(t \rightarrow Wb)_{SM}}{\sigma(t\text{-channel})_{SM}}}{B(t \rightarrow Wb)}$$

$$\sigma(t)B(t \rightarrow Wb) = 2.90 \pm 0.59 \text{ pb}$$

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$$R = \frac{B(t \rightarrow Wb)}{B(t \rightarrow Wq)} = 0.90 \pm 0.04$$

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SM NLO: $\Gamma_t = 1.3 \text{ GeV}$

For $m_t = 172.5 \text{ GeV}$:

$$\Gamma_t = 2.0^{+0.5}_{-0.4} \text{ GeV}$$

$$\tau_t = (3.3^{+0.9}_{-0.6}) \cdot 10^{-25} \text{ s}$$

Assumes:

- production by W-b fusion
- top decays into any Wq
- $B(t \rightarrow Wq) = 1$

Most precise determination