

# Resonances in the top quark sector

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- **Top quark is the heaviest known elementary particle**  
⇒ it plays a fundamental role in many extensions of the Standard Model (SM) / alternative mechanisms of EWSB.
- **The total cross section of top-antitop quark production at LHC is about 100 times (@14 TeV) larger than at Tevatron** ⇒ Millions of top quark pairs per year will be produced even at the initial low luminosity of  $L = 10^{33} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$  (equivalent to  $10 \text{fb}^{-1}/\text{year}$  integrated luminosity)\*.
- **Production and decay channels are promising probes of new physics.**

\* 200-300  $\text{pb}^{-1}$  @ 10 TeV by the end of 2010 ???

- **Top quark at production:**

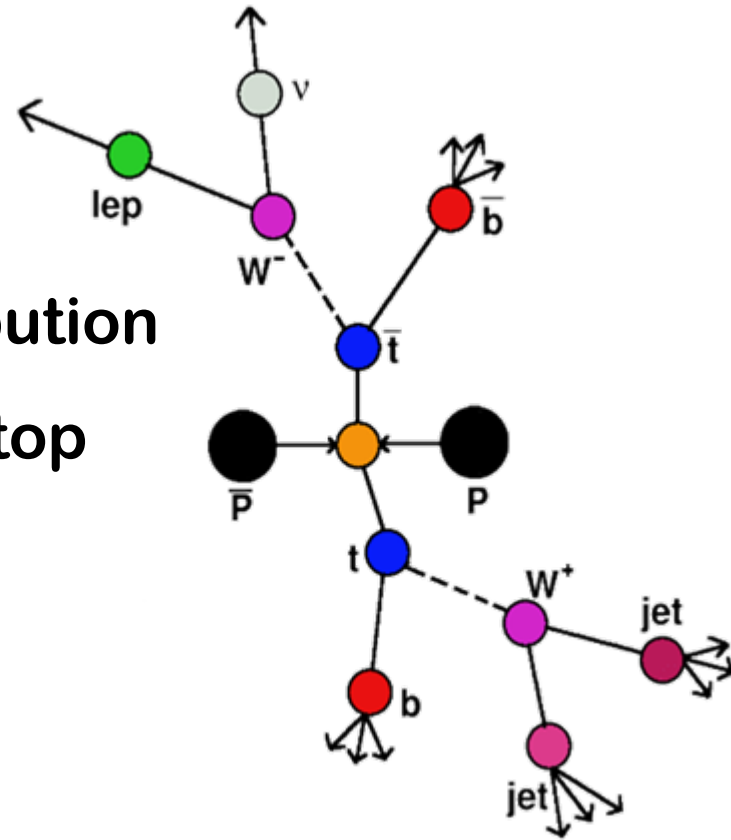
- ⇒  $d\sigma/M_{t\bar{t}}$  invariant mass distribution

- ⇒ charge asymmetry: top vs antitop

- **And decay**

- ⇒ angular distribution of decaying lepton/s correlated with the spin of the top quark [talks by Parke, Godbole]

- ⇒ sensitive to anomalous  $Wtb$  too [talk by Aguilar-Saavedra]



# Chiral Color Models

[Pati , Salam, PLB58(1975)333; Hall,Nelson, PLB153(1985)430;  
Frampton, Glashow, PLB190(1987)157; PRL58(1987)2168]

Extend the standard color gauge group to

$$\mathbf{SU(3)}_L \times \mathbf{SU(3)}_R \rightarrow \mathbf{SU(3)}_C$$

- different implementations with new particles in varying representations, but
- model-independent prediction: existence of a massive color-octet axial-vector gauge boson: **axigluon**
  - ⇒ couples to quarks with an axial-vector structure and the same strong interaction coupling strength as QCD
  - ⇒ the charge asymmetry that can be generated is maximal.
- because of parity a single axigluon do not couple to gg

# Colorons

[Hill, PLB266(1991)419; Hill, Parke, PRD 49(1994)4454;  
Chivukula, Cohen, Simmons, PLB380(1996)92]

Extend the standard color gauge group to

$$\mathbf{SU(3)}_1 \times \mathbf{SU(3)}_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{SU(3)}_C$$

- with gauge couplings  $\xi_1$ ,  $\xi_2$  and  $\xi_1 \ll \xi_2$
- massive gluons / color-octet vector boson (colorons)
- coupling to quarks  $g_s \cot \theta = g_s (\xi_2 / \xi_1) > g_s$
- no charge asymmetry

# Top color assisted technicolor (TC2)

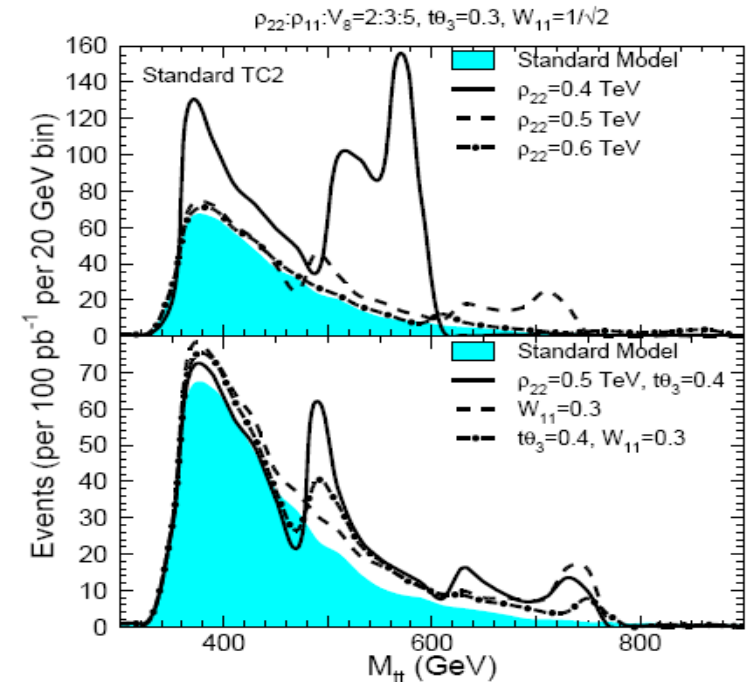
[Hill, PLB345(1995)483; Lane, Ramana, PRD 44 (1991) 2678;  
Lane, Mrenna, PRD67(2003) 115011]

Combine extended technicolor and topcolor assisted technicolor

$$G_{\text{ETC}} \times SU(3)_1 \times U(1)_1 \times SU(3)_2 \times U(1)_2 \times SU(2)_L \rightarrow SU(3)_C \times U(1)_{\text{EM}}$$

- where  $SU(3)_1 \times U(1)_1$  couples preferentially to the third generation, and the weaker  $SU(3)_2 \times U(1)_2$  to the first and second

- $Z'$  (leptophobic or not), 8 colorons and 4 color-octet technirho vector mesons ( $\rho_{T8}$ ) which decays to  $q\bar{q}$  or  $gg$



# GUT theories

- Grand Unified Theories (GUT) based on larger gauge groups, e.g., E6 and SO(10), or left-right symmetric models often introduce additional gauge bosons, such as  $W'$  and  $Z'$ , which decay to  $q \bar{q}'$  and  $q \bar{q}$ , respectively .
- The E6 GUT model also predicts the presence of a diquark which decays to  $qq$  or  $q \bar{q}$ .
- scalar color-octet in Adjoint SU(5) [Fileviez et al.,2008]

$$\Phi_1 = (8, 2, 1/2) \subset 45_H$$

Unification and proton decay  $M_{\Phi_1} < 440 \text{ TeV}$

# Warped extra dimensions

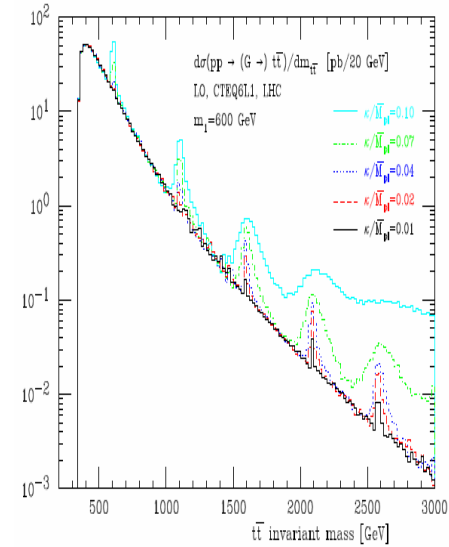
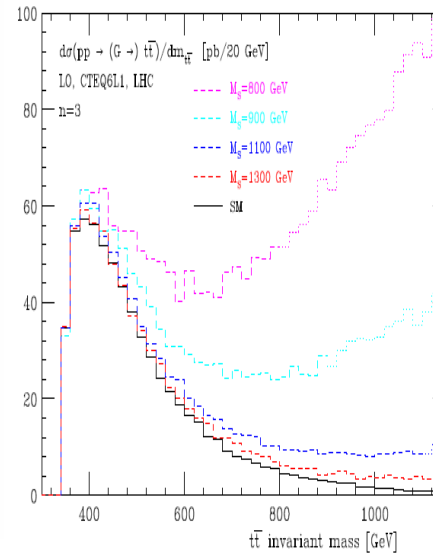
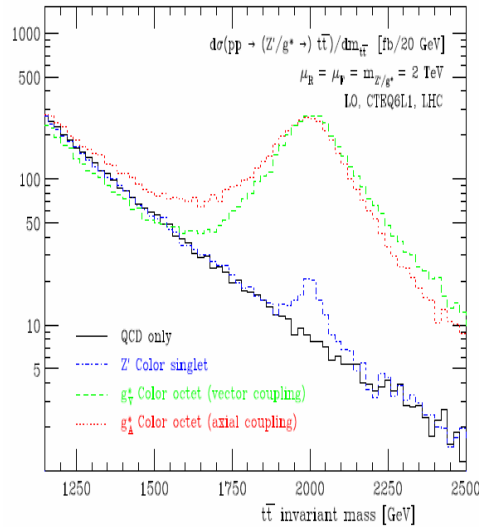
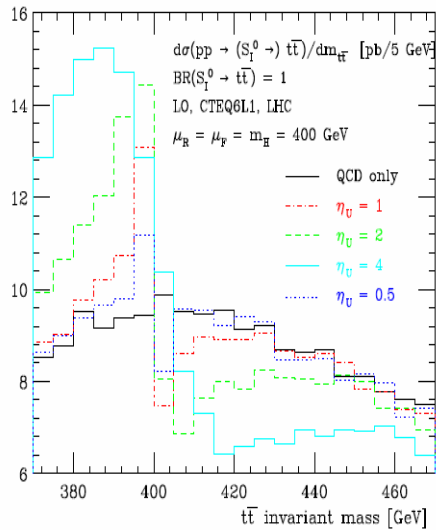
[Randall, Sundrum, PRL 83, 3370 (1999);  
Dicus, McMullen, Nandi, PRD65 (2002) 076007]

- The RS model of a warped extra dimension offers a solution for the hierarchy between the electroweak scale and Planck scale  $M_{Pl}$  by introducing an extra spacial dimension. Predicts a **Kaluza-Klein** tower of graviton states (**RS gravitons**) which decay to  $q\bar{q}$  or  $gg$ .
- **RS Kaluza-Klein gluons**: explains mass hierarchy between top and light quarks, with preferential couplings to top quarks, no couplings to  $gg$  (odd number of  $g^*$ )



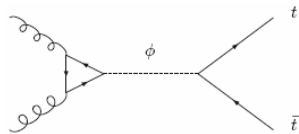
# Resonances in $M_{t\bar{t}}$

[Frederix, Maltoni, JHEP 0901:047,2009]



**Color-singlet or color-octet (pseudo)-scalar**

**Coupling to quarks proportional to mass**  
**Peak-dip due to imaginary part of**



**Z' or massive gluon**

**Single peak**  
**Z' narrow:**  
 $\Gamma_{Z'}/m_{Z'} = O(\alpha_{EW})$   
**Color-octet broad:**  
 $\Gamma_G/m_G = O(\alpha_S) \approx 10\%$

**Graviton (ADD)**

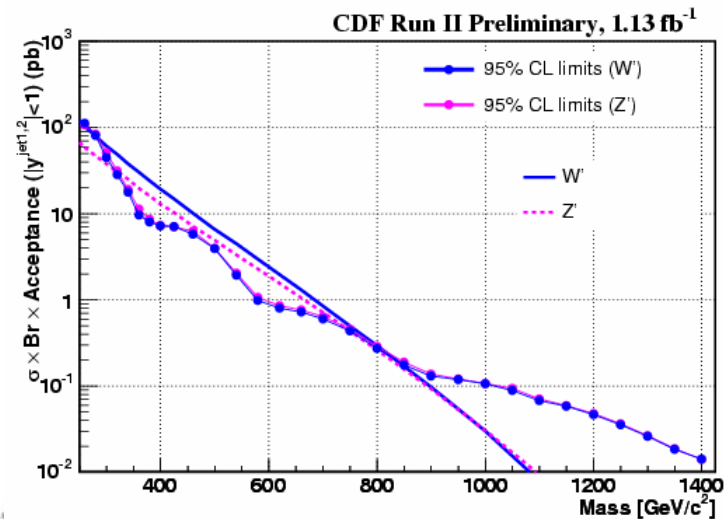
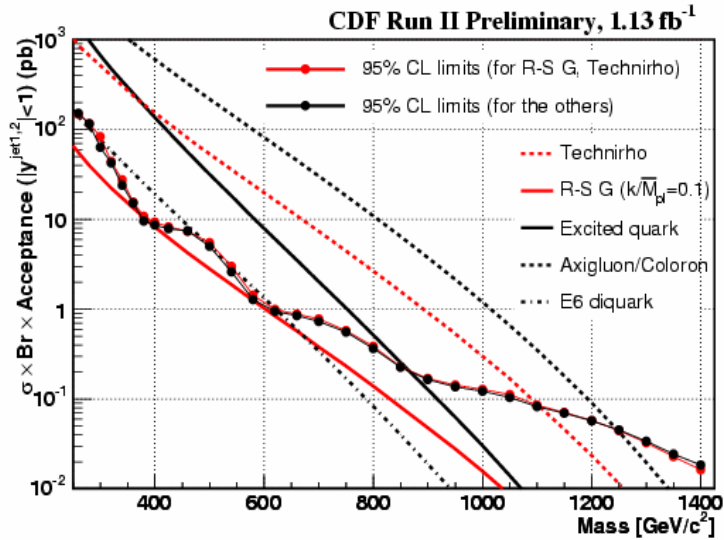
**No peak**  
**Large number of almost degenerated KK gravitons**  
**Huge enhancement at high  $M_{t\bar{t}}$**

**Graviton (RS)**

**Series of peaks approx equally spaced**  
**(tower of Kaluza-Klein states)**

# Dijet channel at Tevatron

CDF [arXiv:0812.4036v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/0812.4036v1) [hep-ex]



## Mass exclusion:

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| 260-870 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>  | Excited quark ( $f=f'=f_s=1$ )  |
| 260-1100 GeV/c <sup>2</sup> | Color-octet technirho<br>[top-color-assisted-technicolor (TC2) couplings, $M'_8=0$ , $M(\pi_{22}^8)=5M(\rho)/6$ , $M(\pi_{22}^1)=M(\pi_{22}^8)/2$ , $M_\rho=5M(\rho)/6$ ] |
| 260-1250 GeV/c <sup>2</sup> | Axigluon and flavor-universal coloron<br>(mixing of two SU(3)'s, $\cot(\theta)=1$ )   |
| 290-630 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>  | E <sub>6</sub> diquark  |
| 280-840 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>  | $W'$ (SM couplings)   |
| 320-740 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>  | $Z'$ (SM couplings)   |

Low mass window for axigluons also excluded [Doncheski, Robinet, 97] from hadronic Z-decays

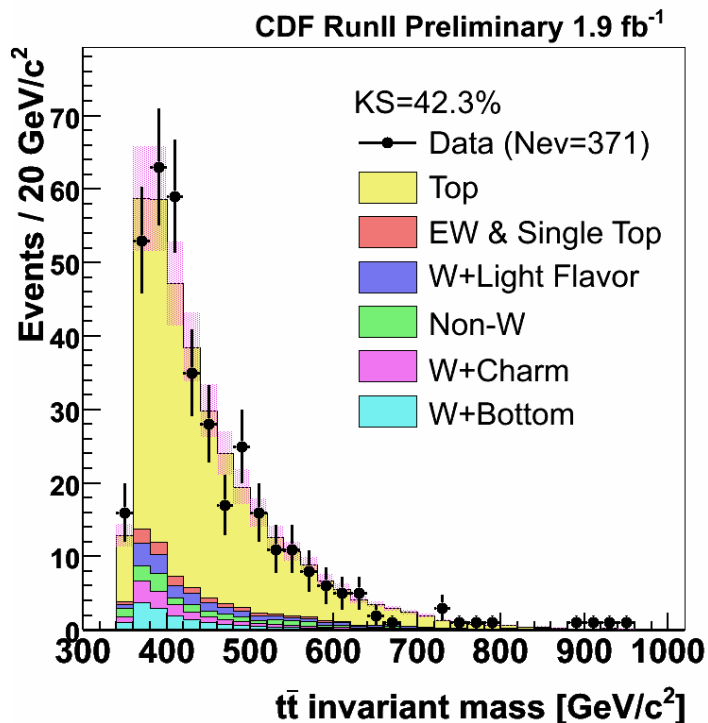
# other channels

## CDF

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|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| <u>WW/WZ (evjj)<br/>Channel</u>  | $m_{Z'} > 545 \text{ GeV}$<br>$m_{W'} > 515 \text{ GeV}$<br>$m_{\text{graviton}} > 606 \text{ GeV}$        | $2.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ |
| <u>ZZ Channel<br/>(Graviton)</u> | $m_{\text{graviton}} > 491 \text{ GeV} (k/M_{\text{Pl}} = 0.1)$  | $3.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ |
| <u>tb Channel<br/>(W')</u>       | $m_{W'} > 800 \text{ GeV}$ for $m_{W'} > m_{\nu R}$<br>$m_{W'} > 825 \text{ GeV}$ for $m_{W'} < m_{\nu R}$ | $1.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ |

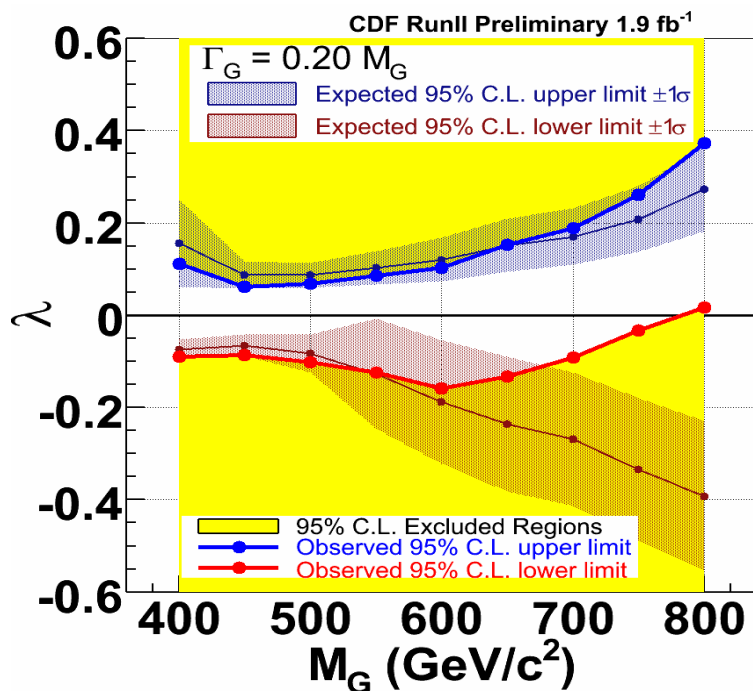
# ttbar channel at Tevatron

D0 topcolor-assisted technicolor, leptophobic  $m_Z > 820$  GeV 3.6 fb<sup>-1</sup>



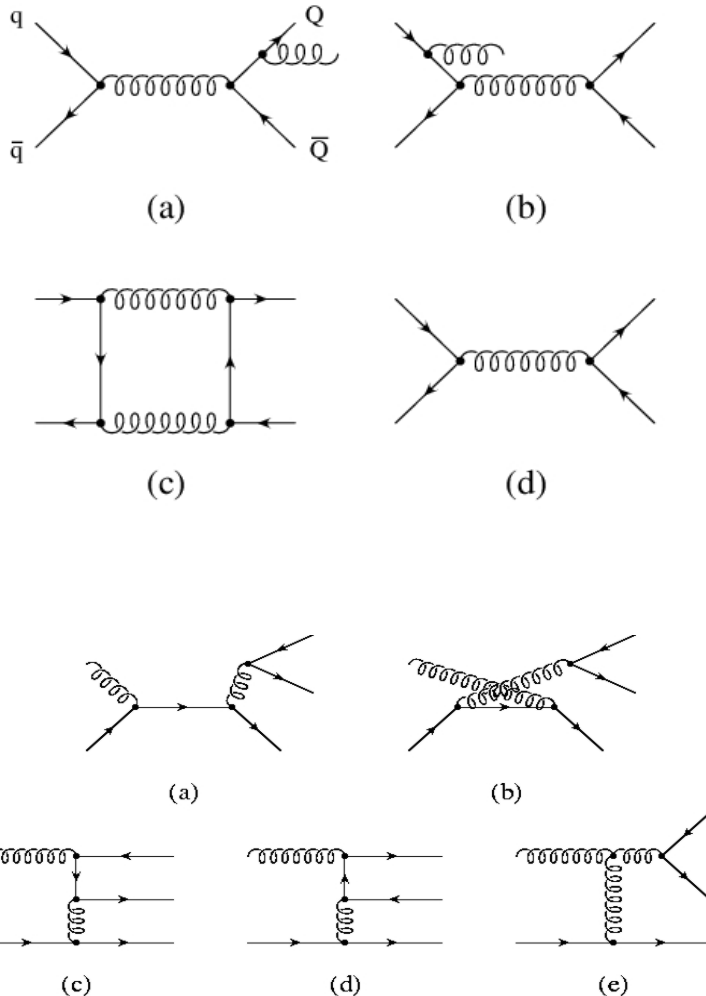
CDF: 1.9 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Limits on massive gluon coupling  $\lambda = g_V^q g_V^t$  as a function of width



# charge asymmetry in QCD

[Kuhn, GR, PRL81:49,1998/PRD59:054017,1999]



Arises at  $O(\alpha_s^3)$

- ↪ Interference of ISR with FSR  
LO for  $t\bar{t} + \text{jet}$   
**negative contribution**
- ↪ Interference of box diagrams with Born  
**positive contribution**
- color factor  $d_{abc}^2$
- Loop contribution larger than tree level  
**top quarks are preferentially emitted in the direction of the incoming quark**
- ↪ Flavor excitation much smaller

# Massive gluon diff cross section

## Resonances might produce Charge asymmetry at LO

- Quark-antiquark annihilation

$$\frac{d\sigma^{q\bar{q}\rightarrow t\bar{t}}}{d\cos\theta} = \alpha_s^2 \frac{T_F C_F}{N_C} \frac{\pi\beta}{2\hat{s}} \left( 1 + c^2 + 4m^2 + \frac{2\hat{s}(\hat{s} - m_G^2)}{(\hat{s} - m_G^2)^2 + m_G^2 \Gamma_G^2} \left[ g_V^q g_V^t (1 + c^2 + 4m^2) + g_A^q g_A^t (2c) \right] \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\hat{s}^2}{(\hat{s} - m_G^2)^2 + m_G^2 \Gamma_G^2} \left[ \left( (g_V^q)^2 + (g_A^q)^2 \right) \left( (g_V^t)^2 (1 + c^2 + 4m^2) + (g_A^t)^2 (1 + c^2 - 4m^2) \right) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + g_V^q g_A^q g_V^t g_A^t (8c) \right] \right)$$

where

$$m = \frac{m_t}{\sqrt{\hat{s}}} \quad c = \beta \cos\theta = \sqrt{1 - 4m^2} \cos\theta \quad \frac{\Gamma_G}{m_G} \approx \frac{\alpha_s}{6} \sum_q \left( (g_V^q)^2 + (g_A^q)^2 \right)$$

- gluon-gluon fusion at tree-level the same as in the SM

### Gluon-resonance interference

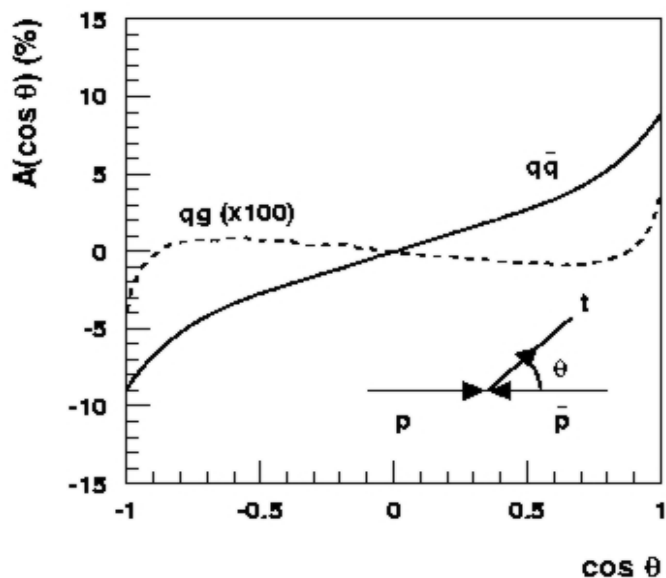
- generates charge asymmetry → FB
- vanishes upon integration over charge symmetric regions of phase space
- changes sign ( $s - m_G^2$ )
- probes axial couplings

### resonance-resonance amplitude

- generates charge asymmetry too

# Inclusive asymmetry at Tevatron

[Kuhn, GR, PRL/PRD (1998), Antuñano, Kuhn, GR, PRD(2008)]



Charge conjugation symmetry (  $N_{\bar{t}}(y) = N_t(-y)$  )

⇒ Forward-backward

$$A^{p\bar{p}} = \frac{N_t(y > 0) - N_{\bar{t}}(y > 0)}{N_t(y > 0) + N_{\bar{t}}(y > 0)} = 0.051(6)$$

$$A^{t\bar{t}} = \frac{N(\Delta y > 0) - N(\Delta y < 0)}{N(\Delta y > 0) + N(\Delta y < 0)} = 0.078(9) \quad \Delta y = y_t - y_{\bar{t}}$$

- mixed QCD-EW interference: factor 1.09 included
  - stable to threshold resummations (1 per mille)
- [Almeida, Stermann, Vogelsang, PRD(2008)]

**Conservative:** K factor = 1.3 then  $A^{p\bar{p}} = 0.036(4) \approx \text{MC@NLO}$

$$A^{p\bar{p}} = 0.045(12) \quad A^{t\bar{t}} = 0.070(17)$$

**Pessimistic:** asymmetry washed out in  $t\bar{t} + \text{jet}$  @ NLO [Dittmaier, Uwer, Weinzierl, PRL(2007)]

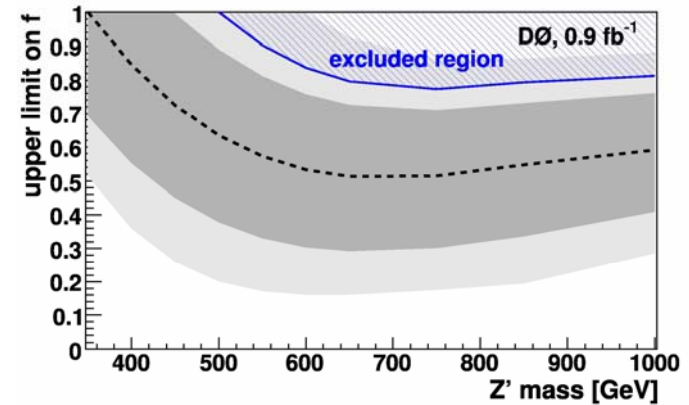
$$A_{t\bar{t} + \text{jet}}^{p\bar{p}} = -0.07 \xrightarrow{NLO} -0.015(15) \quad \Rightarrow \quad A_{NLO} \approx 0.015(15) \quad ???$$

# Asymmetry measurements at Tevatron

- **D0** [PRL101(2008)202001] **uncorrected**

$$A_{FB}^{ppbar} = 0.12 \pm 0.08 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.01 \text{ (syst)} \quad 0.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

Limits as a function of the fraction (f) of ttbar events produced via a topcolor leptophobic Z' resonance



- **CDF** [Conf. Note 9724, PRL101(2008)202001]

ppbar rest frame

$$A_{FB}^{ppbar} = 0.193 \pm 0.065 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.024 \text{ (syst)} \quad 3.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

$$A_{FB}^{ppbar} = 0.17 \pm 0.07 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.04 \text{ (syst)} \quad 1.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

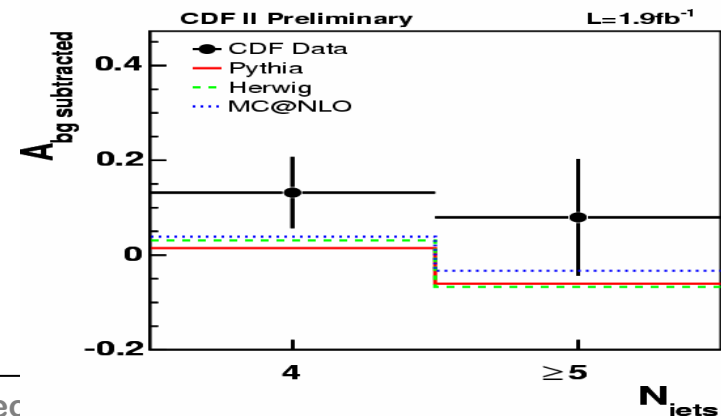
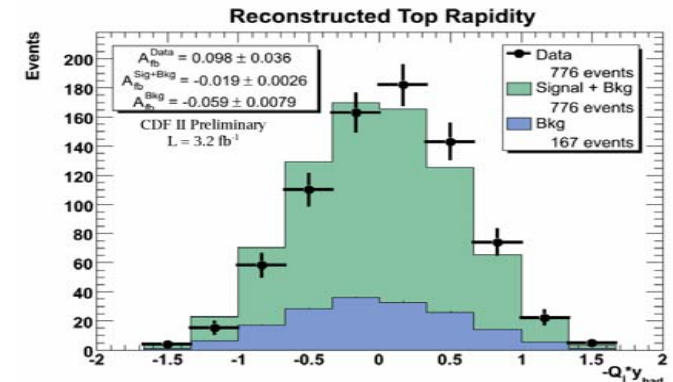
ttbar rest frame

$$A_{FB}^{ttbar} = 0.24 \pm 0.13 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.04 \text{ (syst)} \quad 1.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

At least 4 jets:  $A_{FB}^{ttbar} = 0.119 \pm 0.064 \text{ (stat)}$

Exact 4 jets:  $A_{FB}^{ttbar} = 0.132 \pm 0.075 \text{ (stat)}$

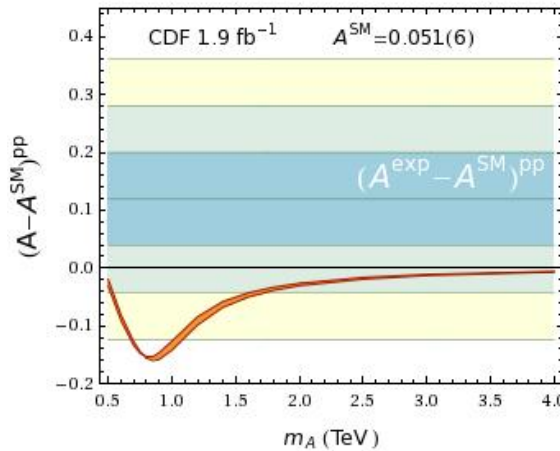
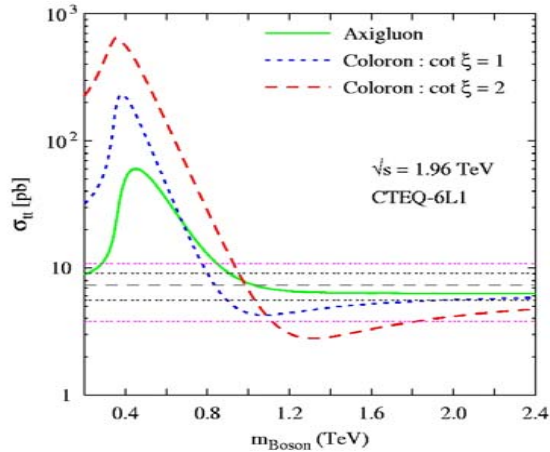
At least 5 jets:  $A_{FB}^{ttbar} = 0.079 \pm 0.123 \text{ (stat)}$





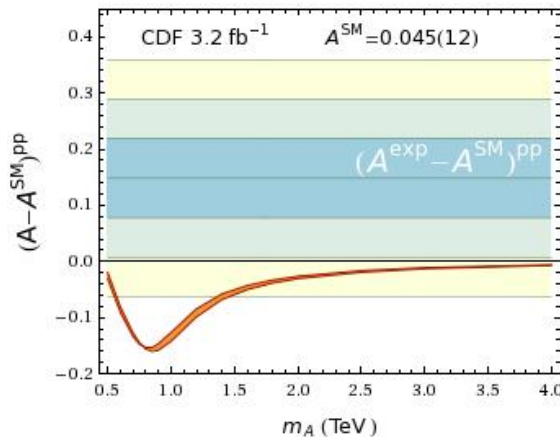
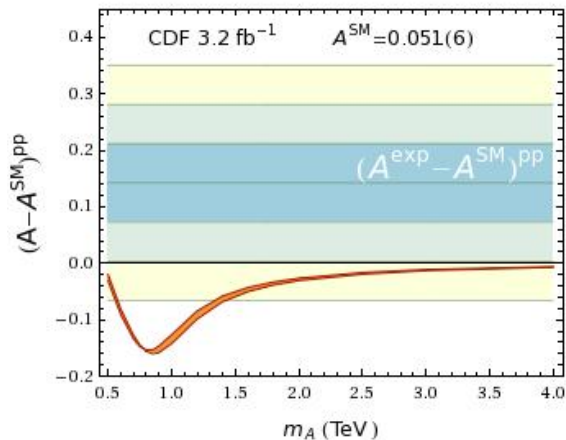
# Bounds on the axigluon mass

[Choudhury, Godbole, Singh, Wagh, PLB(2007)]



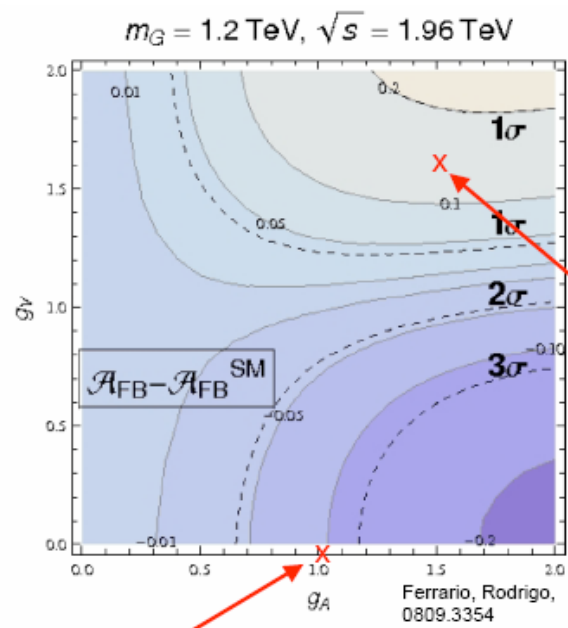
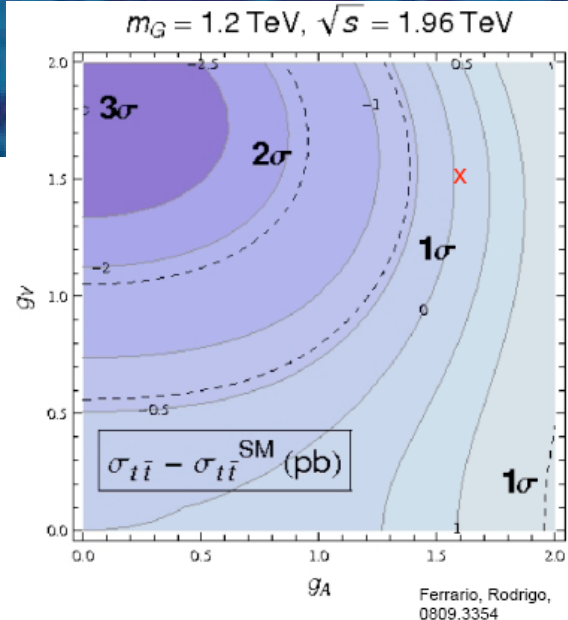
Better measurement / prediction of the top quark cross-section will not lead to a significant improvement in the bound on the axigluon mass

$$m_A > 1\text{TeV} \quad 95\% \text{ C.L.}$$



$$m_A > 1.4\text{TeV} \quad 95\% \text{ C.L.}$$

Uncertainty statistically dominated  $\Rightarrow$   $\frac{1}{2}$  with  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



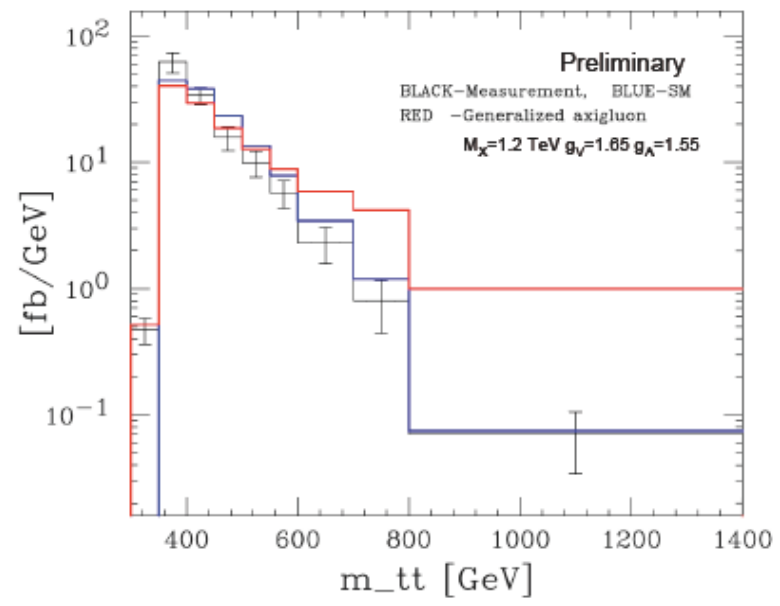
Couplings are with respect to the QCD gauge coupling.

This point looks good!

Pure axigluon coupling (large negative contribution to  $A_{\text{FB}}$ )

[talk by Wells]

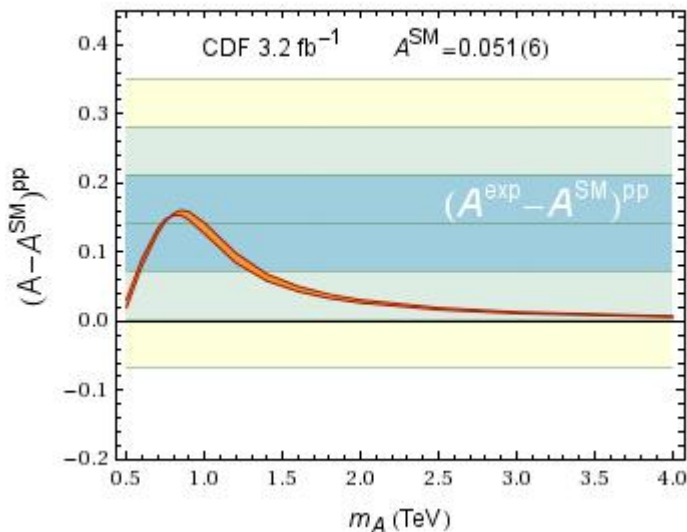
But in conflict with  $d\sigma/dM_{t\bar{t}\text{bar}}$  from CDF [CDF note 9602 (Nov 2008)]



# save the axigluon

## CDF

$$d\sigma / dM_{t\bar{t}} (800 - 1400 \text{ GeV}) = 0.07 \pm 0.04 (\text{fb GeV}^{-1})$$



The sign of the asymmetry can be changed if  $g_A^q = -g_A^t$  while keeping  $d\sigma/dM_{t\bar{t}}$  small

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma}{d\sigma^{\text{SM}}} - 1 \right|_{M_{t\bar{t}} > 800 \text{ GeV}} = 3.4 \quad M_G = 1200 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma}{d\sigma^{\text{SM}}} - 1 \right|_{M_{t\bar{t}} > 800 \text{ GeV}} = 1.5 \quad M_G = 1400 \text{ GeV}$$

Can set an upper bound on the mass

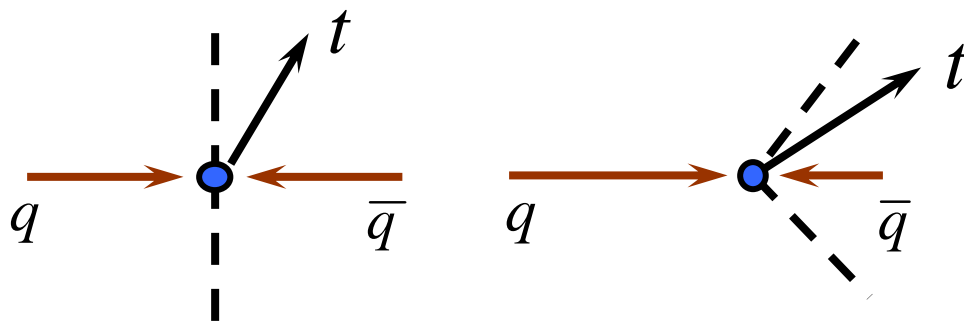
*Very preliminary*

# Charge asymmetry at LHC

QCD predicts that tops are preferentially emitted in the direction of the incoming quark

Resonance asymmetry depending on  $(s-m_G^2)$

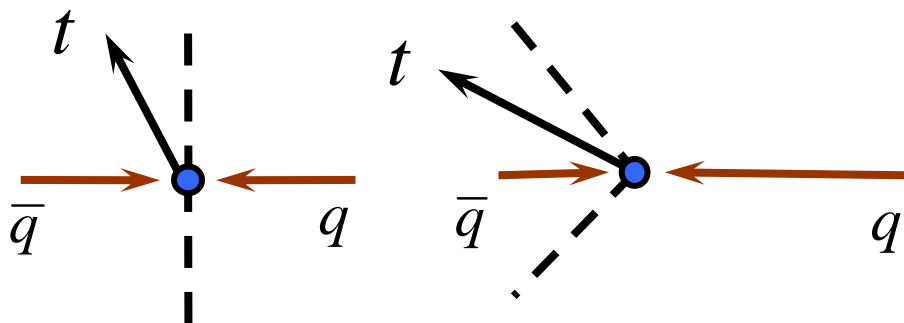
LHC is symmetric: but quarks carry more momenta than antiquarks



Excess of tops (or antitops) in the forward and backward regions

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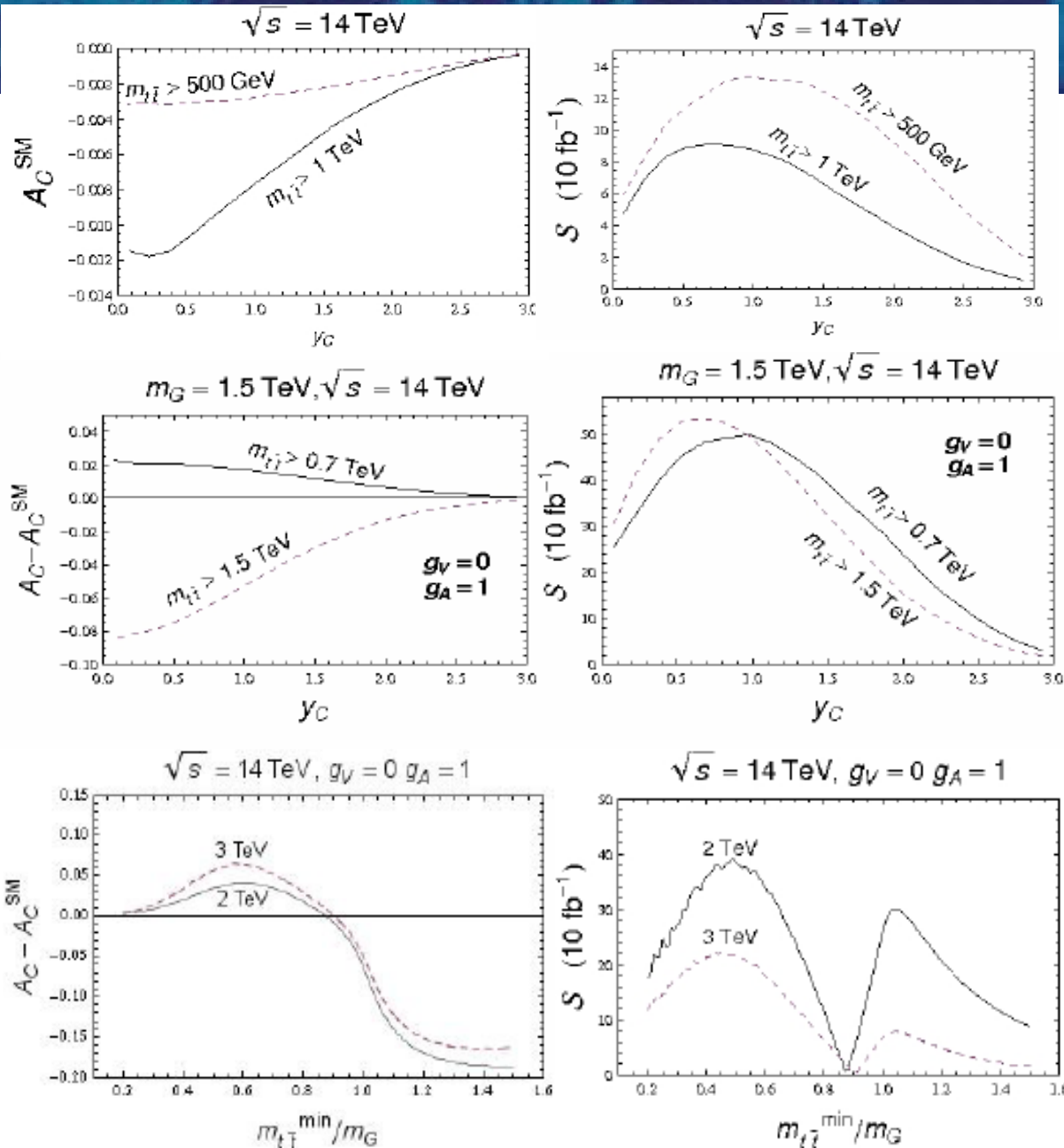
LAB frame



$$A_C(y_C) = \frac{N_t(|y| < y_C) - N_{\bar{t}}(|y| < y_C)}{N_t(|y| < y_C) + N_{\bar{t}}(|y| < y_C)}$$

$$A_C(y_C \gg 1) = 0$$

[Ferrario, GR, PRD78:094018,2008]



Charge asymmetry suppressed by gg-fusion (90% @14TeV) but statistical significance can be maximized by tuning  $y_C$  and  $m_{\tilde{t}}^{\min}$

QCD asymmetry: smallness compensated by statistics at low  $m_{\tilde{t}}^{\min}$

Color-octet resonance: maximum at about  $m_G/2$  (less boosted tops)

# Conclusions

- $d\sigma/M_{t\bar{t}}$  and the charge asymmetry at Tevatron and LHC complementary to discover/exclude new resonances in the top quark sector.
- Probe different combinations of vector and axial-vector couplings.
- Charge asymmetry might be more sensitive to higher masses and less boosted tops



The game is becoming very interesting: still room for improvements / further studies