

W and Z Production at the Tevatron: Recent Results and Prospects

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Overview

- Introduction:
 - Tevatron, detectors and integrated luminosity
 - Z and W production and detection
 - Motivation for precise measurements
- Recent results
 - Z transverse momentum ← New for this conference
 - $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$, 1 fb^{-1} , DØ
 - Z transverse momentum using ϕ_{η}^* ← New for this conference
 - $Z \rightarrow ee$ & $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$, 7.3 fb^{-1} , DØ
 - Z cross section and rapidity ← New for winter 2010 conferences
 - $Z \rightarrow ee$, 2.2 fb^{-1} , CDF
 - W charge asymmetry New for winter 2010 conferences
 - $W \rightarrow e\nu$, 1 fb^{-1} , CDF ↓
 - re-analysis in terms of lepton A_{FB} allowing direct comparison with
 - $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$, 4.9 fb^{-1} , DØ
 - Z forward-backward asymmetry ← New for winter 2010 conferences
 - $Z \rightarrow ee$, 4.1 fb^{-1} , CDF
 - N.B. W mass measurements covered elsewhere

➤ Prospects

The Fermilab Tevatron Collider



1992-95 Run I:

$$\int L dt \sim 0.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}, 1.8 \text{ TeV}$$

Major accelerator/detector upgrades

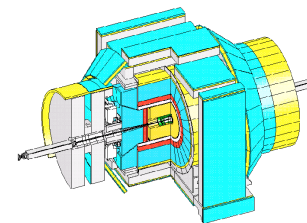
2002-11 Run II:

$$\int L dt \sim 9 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ delivered}, 1.96 \text{ TeV}$$

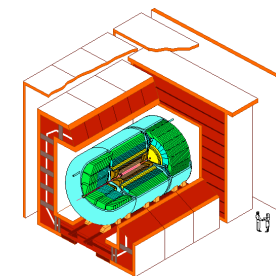
$$\int L dt \sim 12 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ expected by 2011}$$

Further running 2012-2014?

- being considered

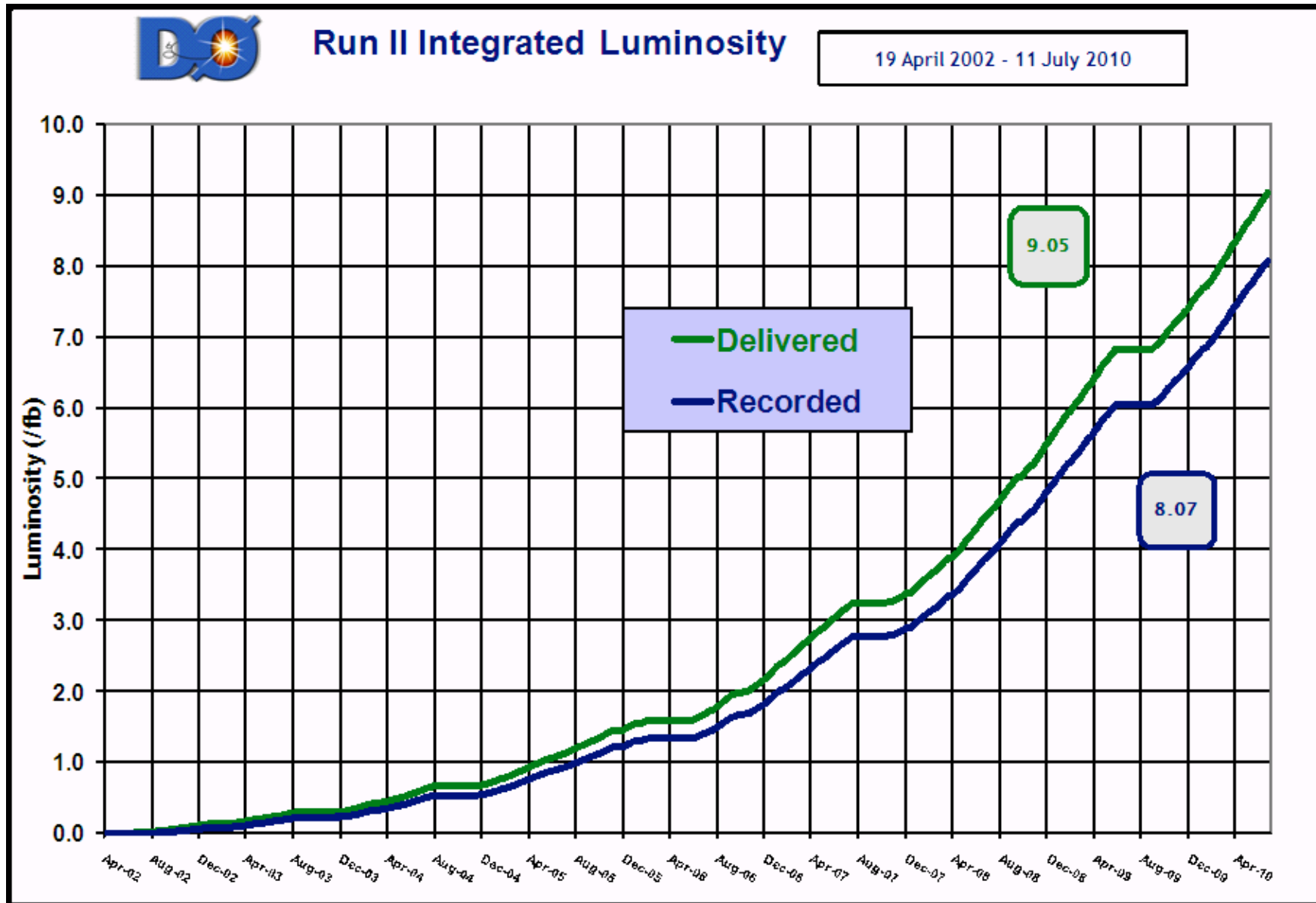


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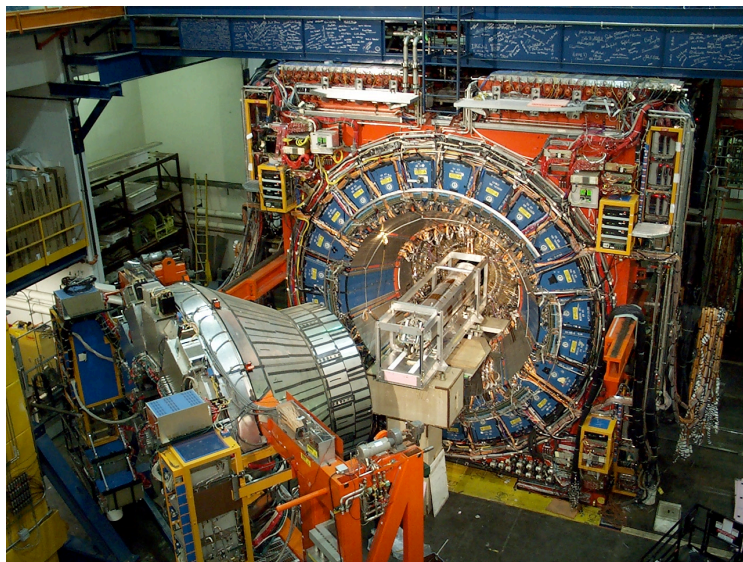
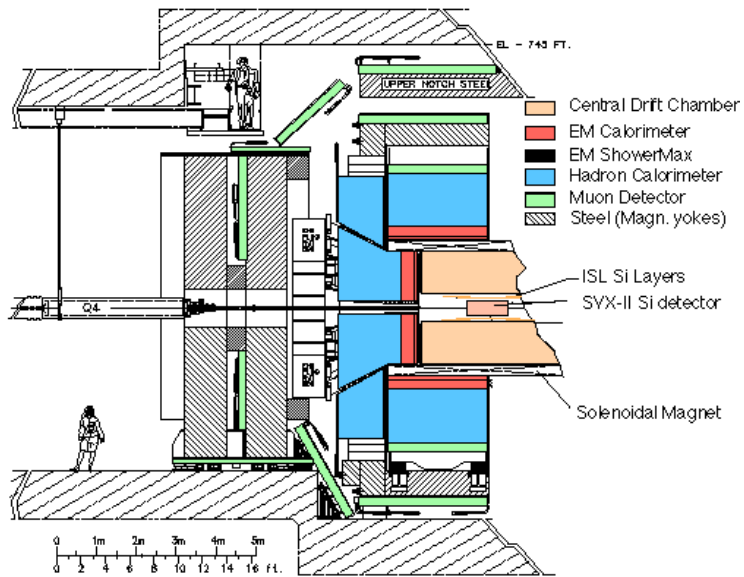
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Integrated Luminosity History



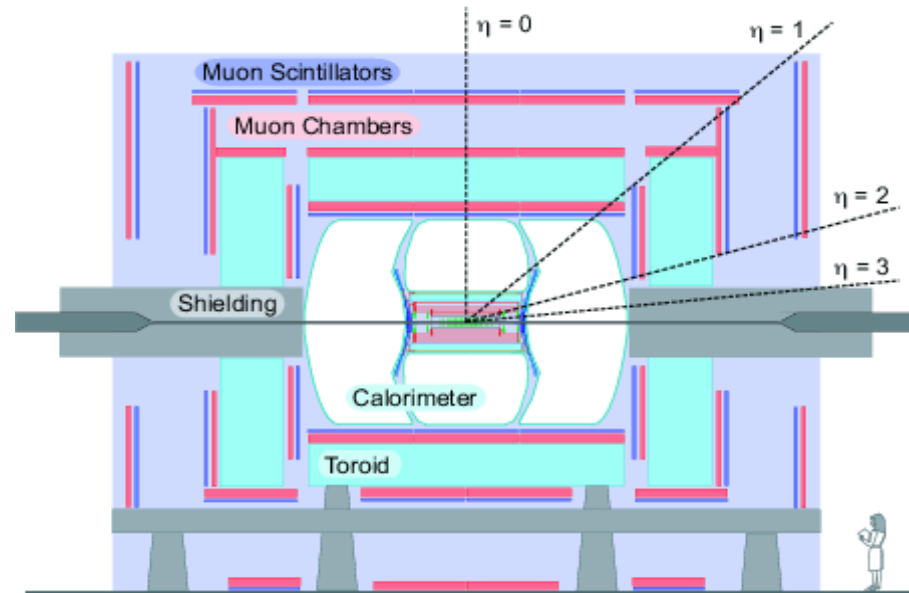
Average data taking efficiency since 2002 is 84% (CDF) and 89% (DØ)

CDF

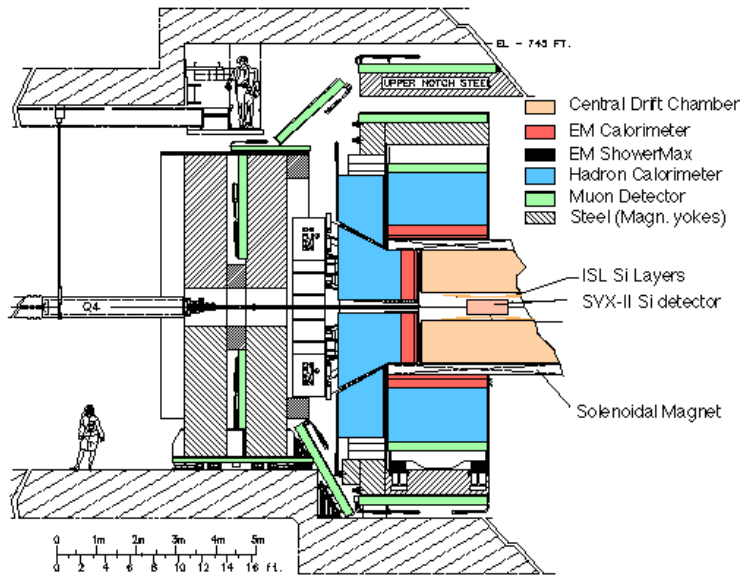


DØ

$$\eta = -\ln(\tan\theta/2)$$



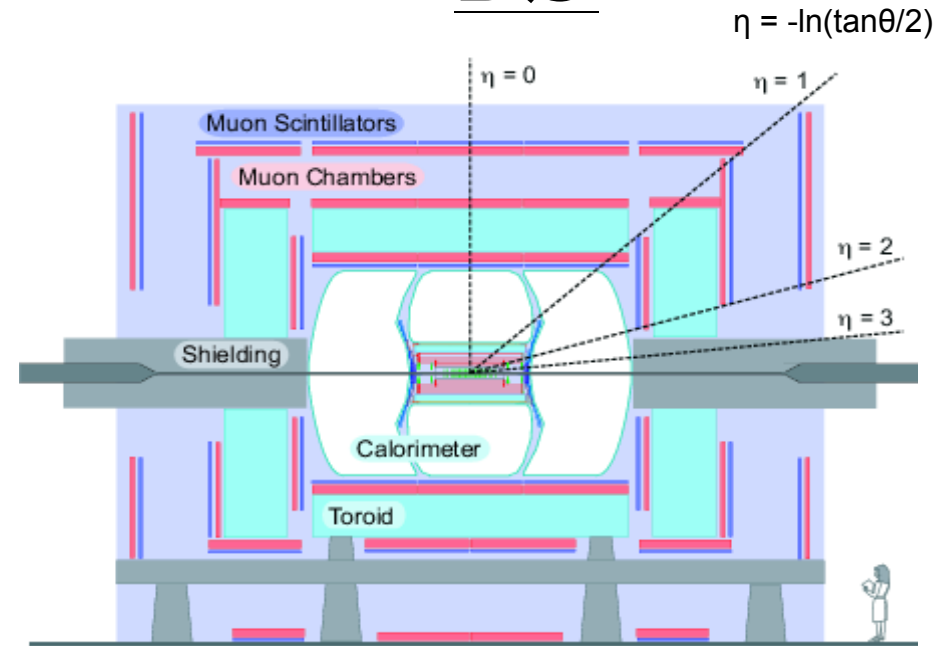
CDF



CDF detector highlight

- Large volume, high precision, charged particle tracker
 - 9-layer silicon tracker
 - 96-layer drift chamber
 - 1.4 m outer radius

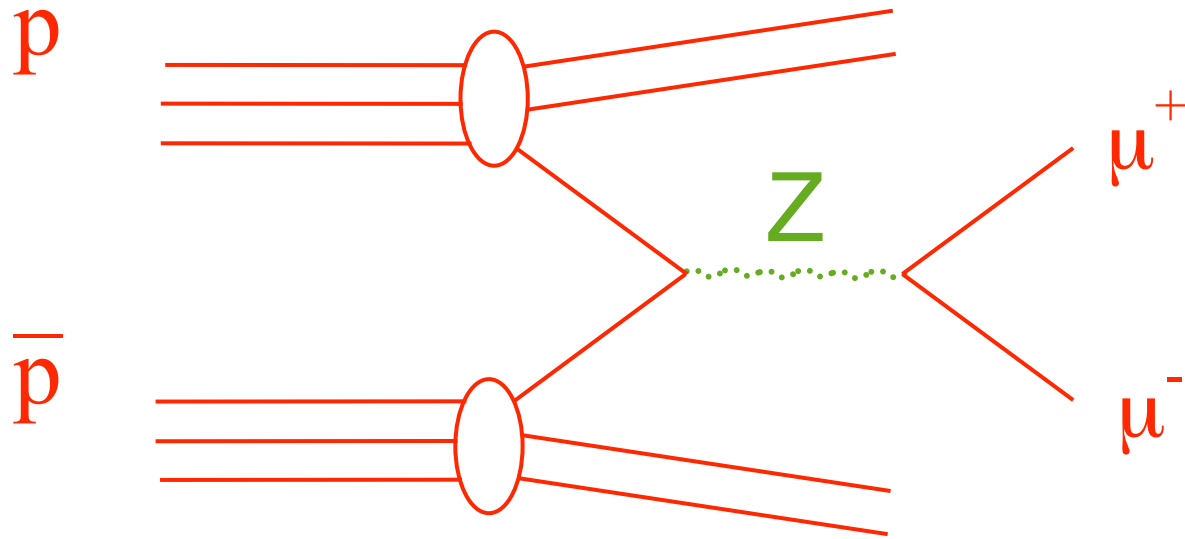
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DØ detector highlight

- High acceptance, low background, muon system
 - 0.5 m outer radius for DØ central tracker!

Producing W and Z in $p\bar{p}$



- Proton is a composite object

- PDFs (Parton Distribution Functions)

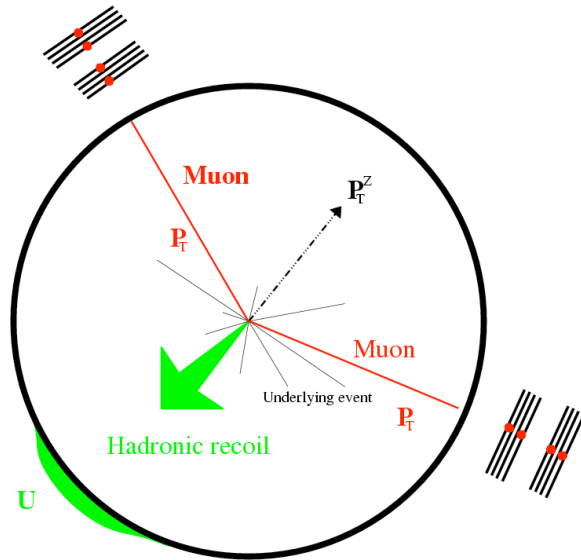
$$m_{\ell}^2 = x_1 x_2 s$$

- gluon bremsstrahlung

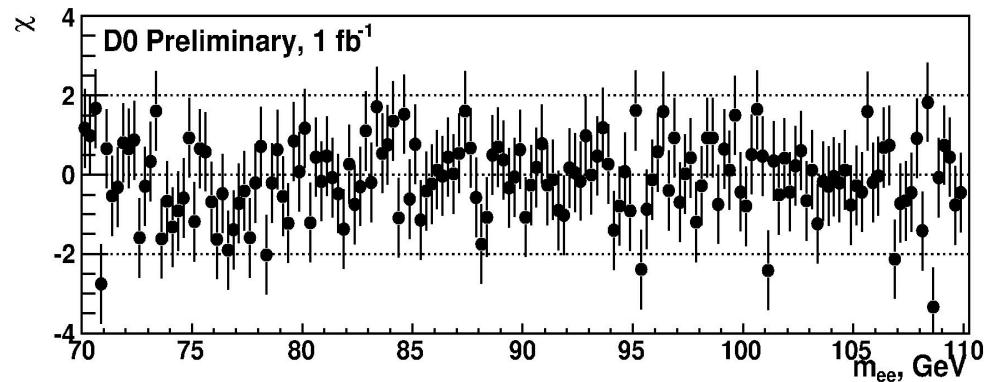
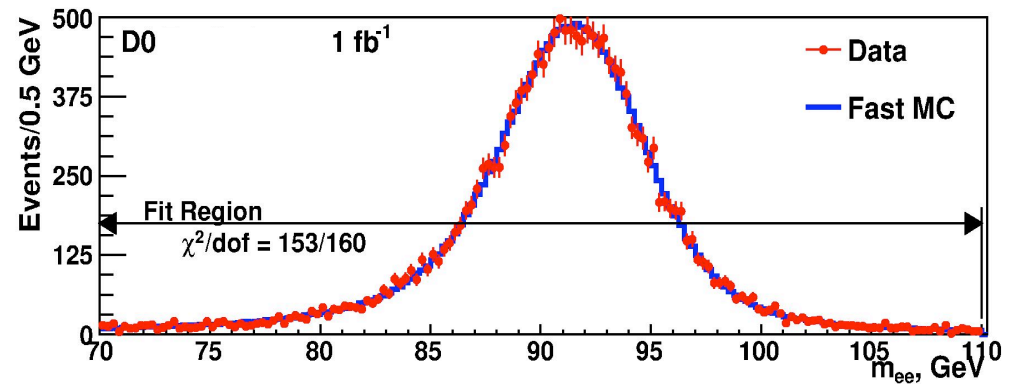
$$x_{1,2} = e^{\pm y} m_{\ell} / \sqrt{s}$$

Select $\sim 10^6$ tagged $W \rightarrow \ell \nu$ and $\sim 10^5$ $Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ events per fb^{-1}

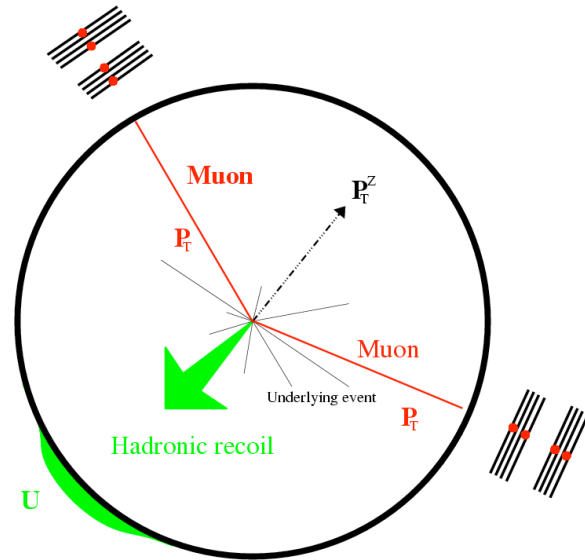
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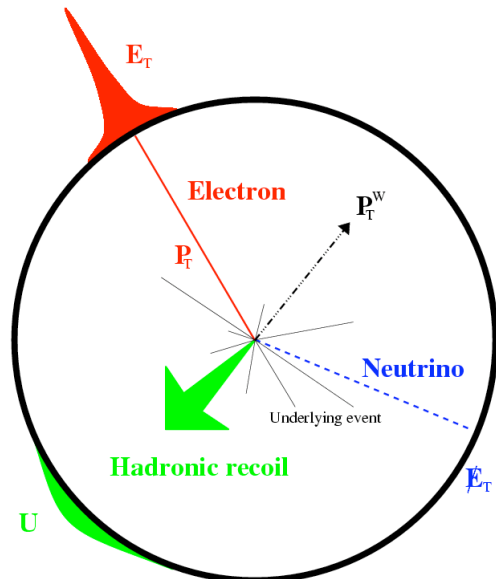
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 - high p_T
 - isolated
 - opposite-charge
- peak in $\ell^+ \ell^-$ invariant mass



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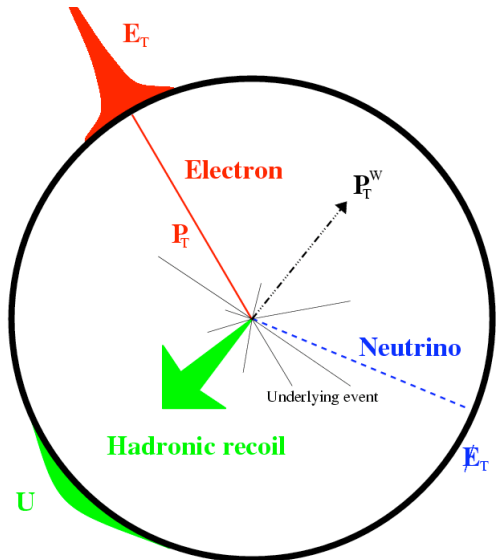
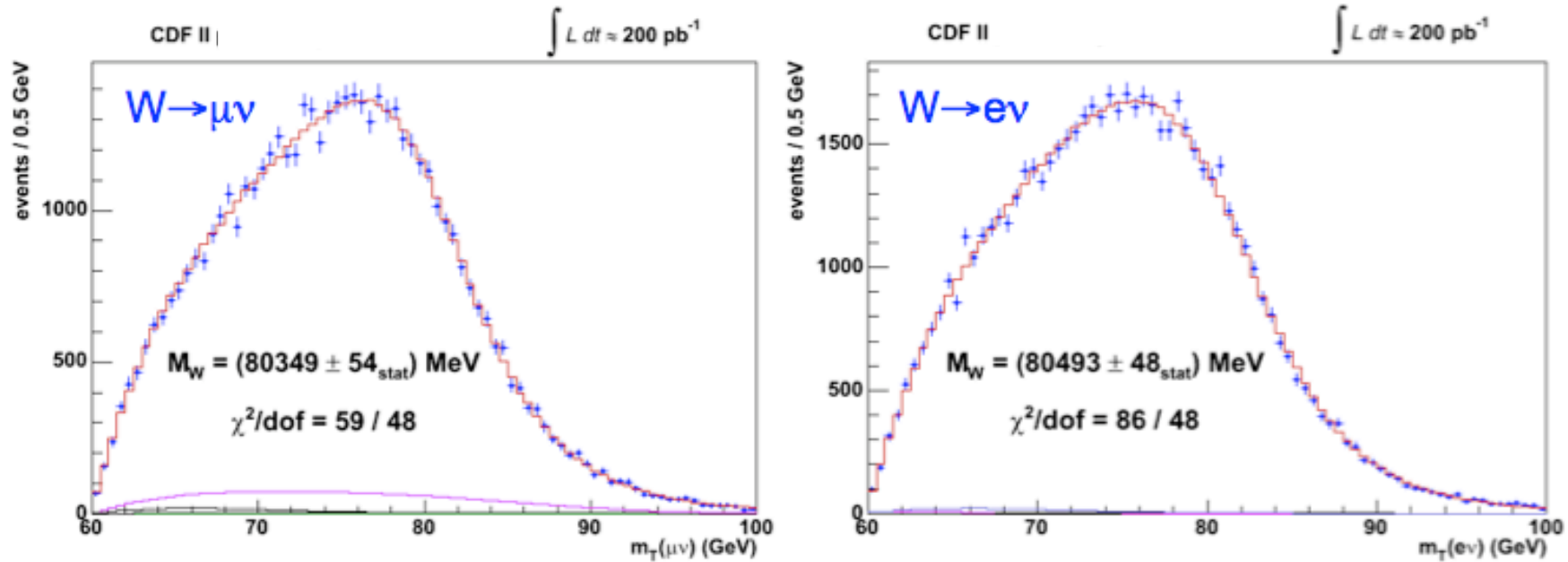
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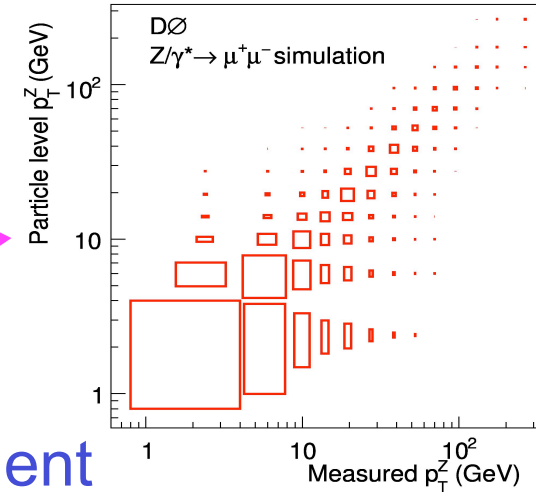
Why bother?

- Electroweak production
 - Leptonic final states
 - High statistics samples
 - Low backgrounds
- **Precise measurements!**
- Clean probe of QCD and EW interactions
 - Essential to tie standard processes down before claiming discoveries
 - either at the Tevatron or the LHC

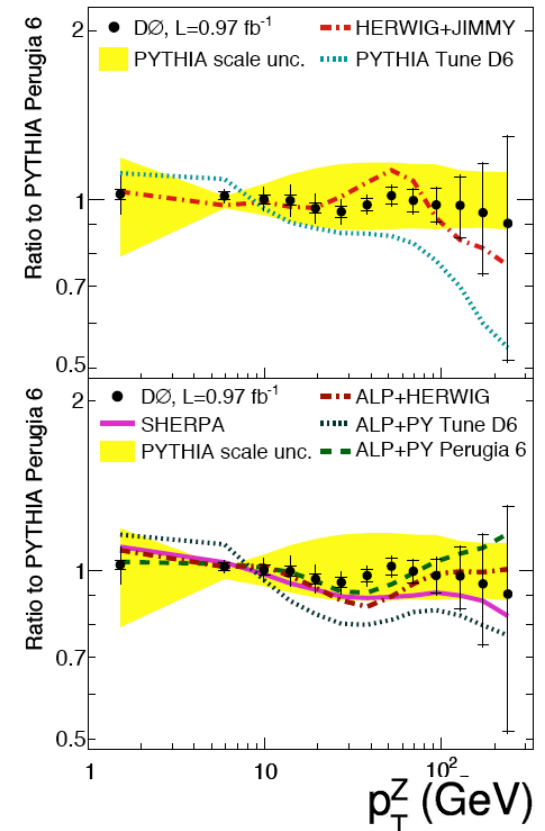
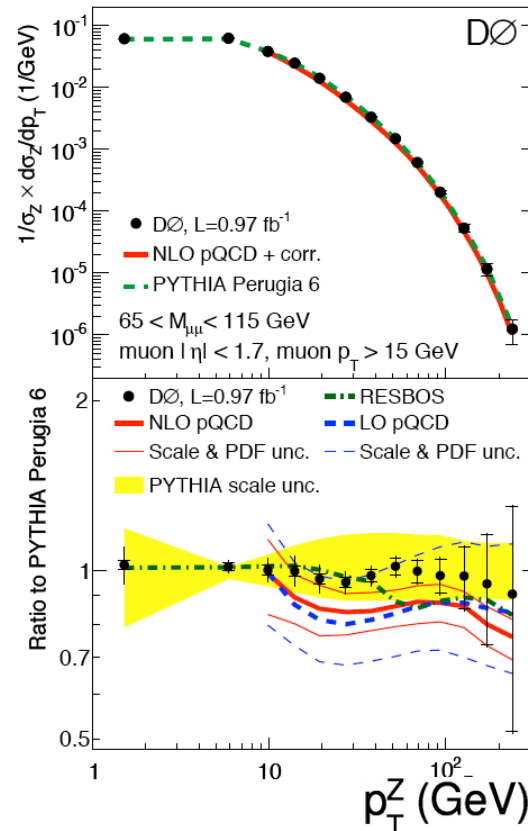
Z → μμ transverse momentum

- Z → μμ, 1 fb⁻¹, DØ
- Unfold p_T^Z resolution
 - σ_{syst} ~ 5%
 - dominated by p_T^μ resolution systematics
 - cf. σ_{stat} ~ 1%
 - Restricts choice of bin widths

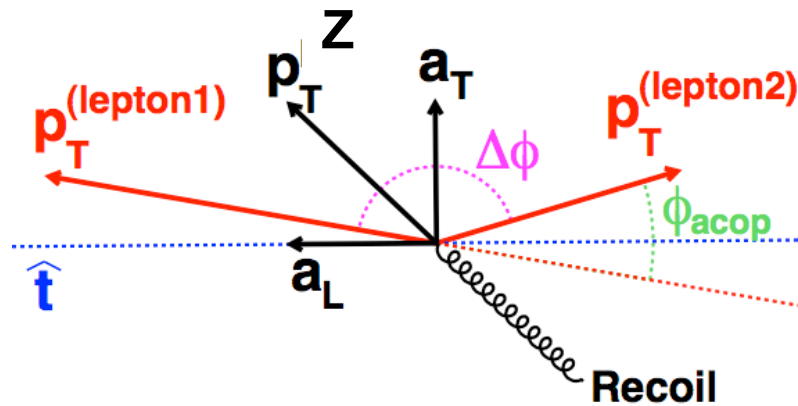
- Have such measurements reached the end of the road?



Data-MC agreement



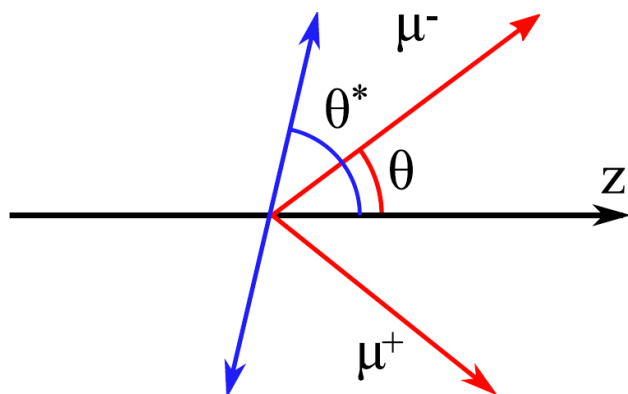
Study of p_T^Z using a novel method



- a_T less susceptible to detector resolution and efficiency variations than p_T^Z
- a_T/m_ℓ even less susceptible to detector resolution
- $\phi_\eta^* \approx a_T/m_\ell$
- measured using only the directions of the leptons and thus very well measured

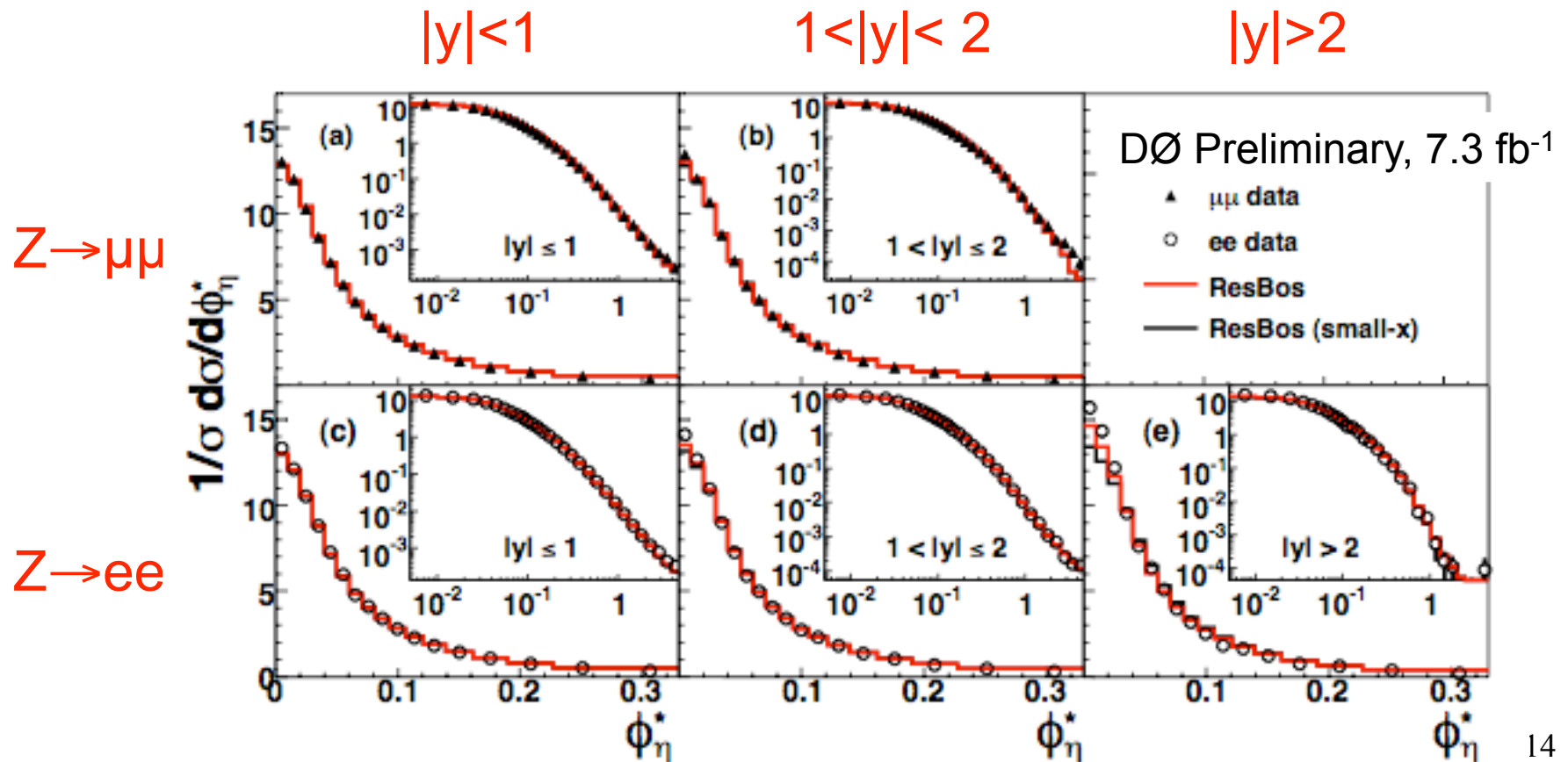
$$\phi_\eta^* = \tan\left(\frac{\phi_{\text{acop}}}{2}\right) \sin(\theta_\eta^*)$$

$$\cos(\theta_\eta^*) = \tanh\left(\frac{\eta^- - \eta^+}{2}\right)$$



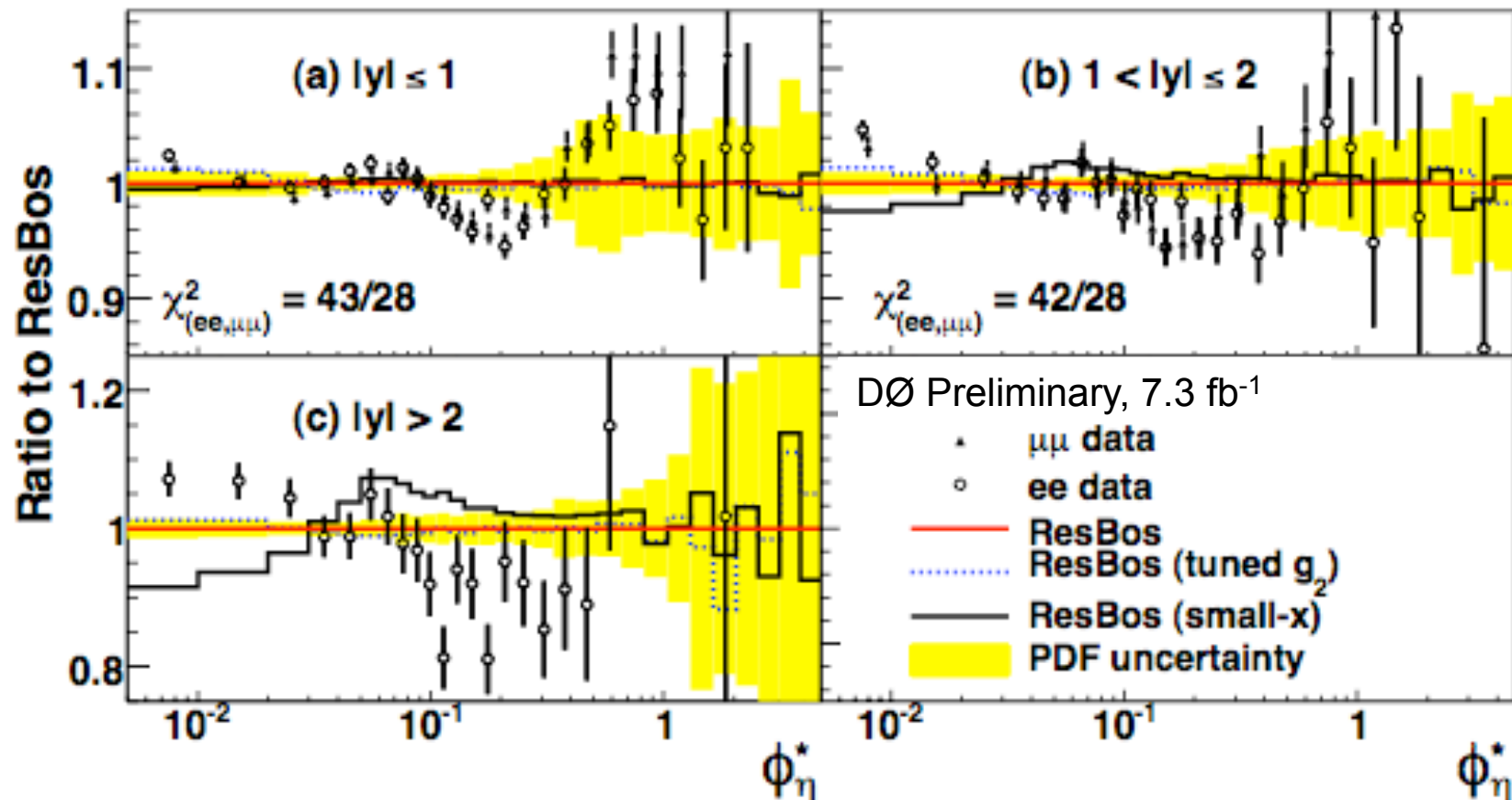
Study of p_T^Z using a novel method

- $Z \rightarrow ee, Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$; 7.3 fb^{-1} , DØ
- 966,000 events with $70 < m_{\ell\ell} < 110 \text{ GeV}$
 - Compare corrected data to ResBos
 - with and without small-x broadening [Nadolsky, et al, Phys. Rev. D 64,114011 (2001)]



Study of p_T^Z using a novel method

- At low ϕ_η^* : narrow bins, $\sigma_{\text{stat}} \sim 5$ per mille and $\sigma_{\text{syst}} \sim 1$ per mille
- Compare $Z \rightarrow ee$, $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ corrected data
 - ratio to ResBos

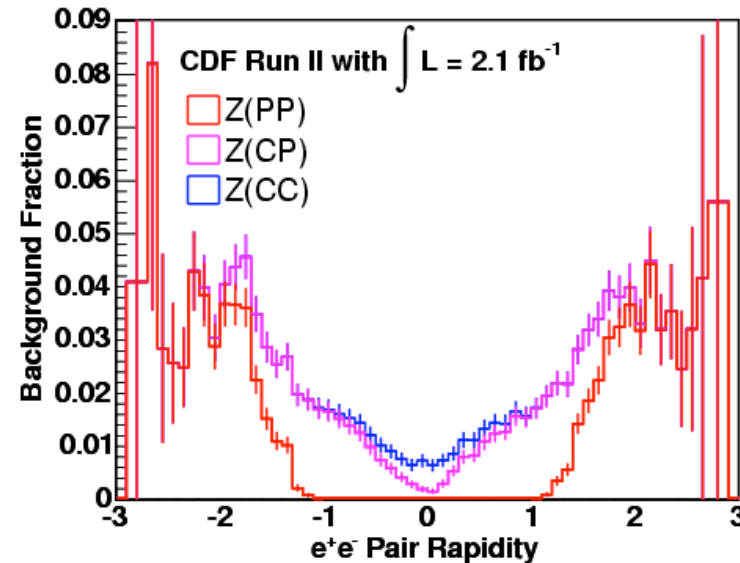
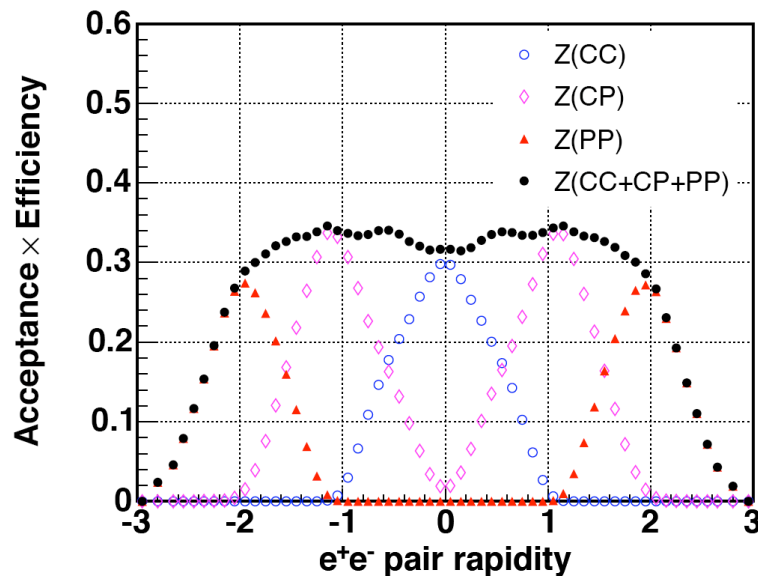


- Small-x broadening option clearly disfavoured

Z→ee total cross section and rapidity

- Z→ee, 2.2 fb⁻¹, CDF
- Electron coverage out to $|\eta| < 2.8$
- Select 168000 candidate events in range $|y| < 2.9$

Acceptance x Efficiency Background Fraction
– using central (C) and forward (plug, P) electrons



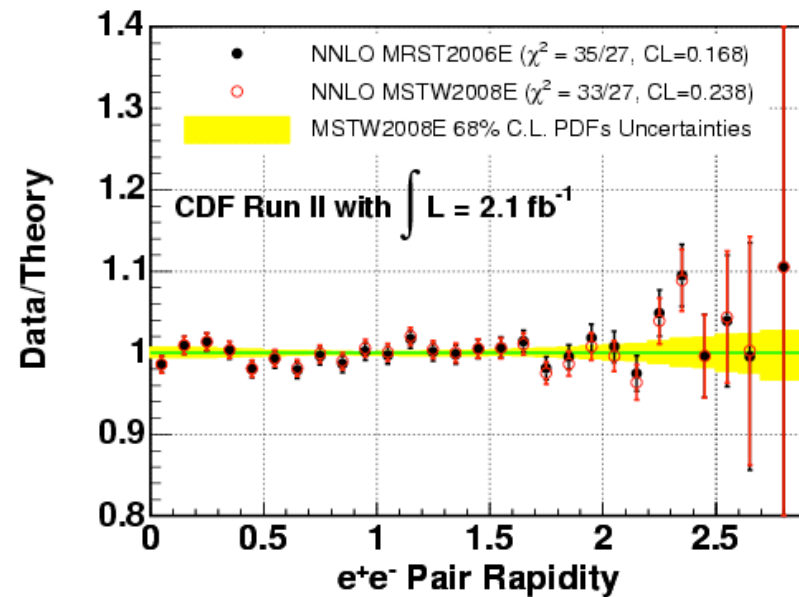
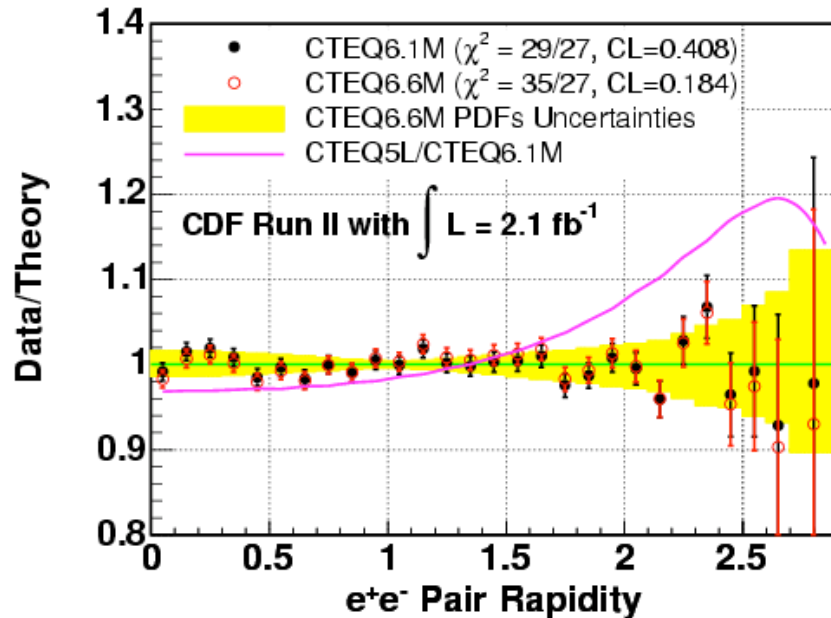
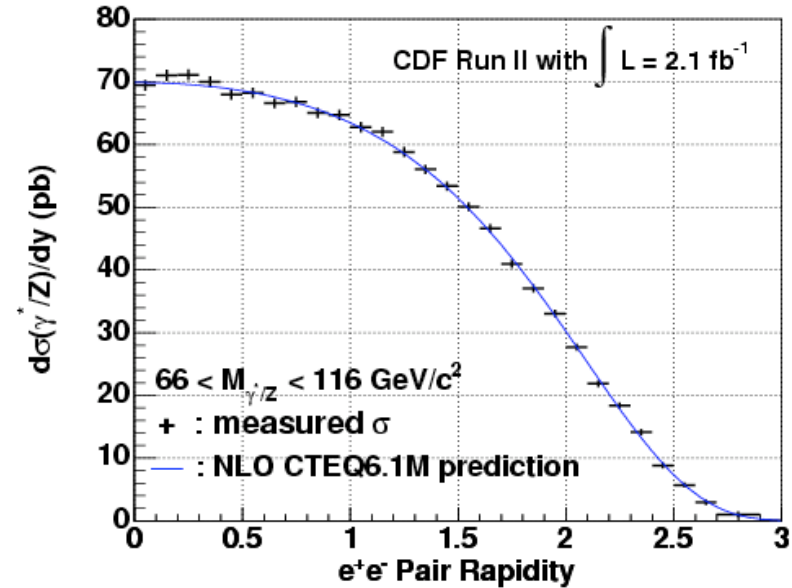
$$\sigma = 256.6 \pm 0.7 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 2.0 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 15.4 \text{ (lumi) pb}$$

cf. $\sigma = 238.7 +7.1 -7.0 \text{ pb (CTEQ6.6M NLO)}$

$$\sigma = 248.7 +5.1 -4.0 \text{ pb (MSTW2008E NNLO)}$$

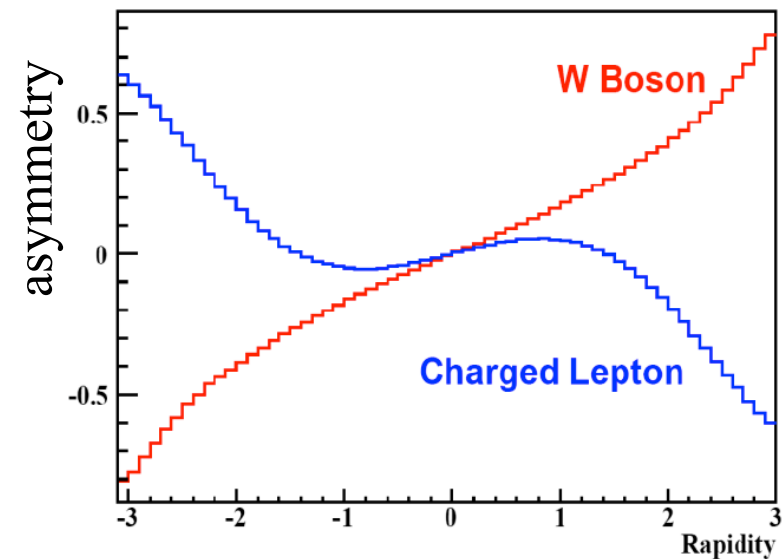
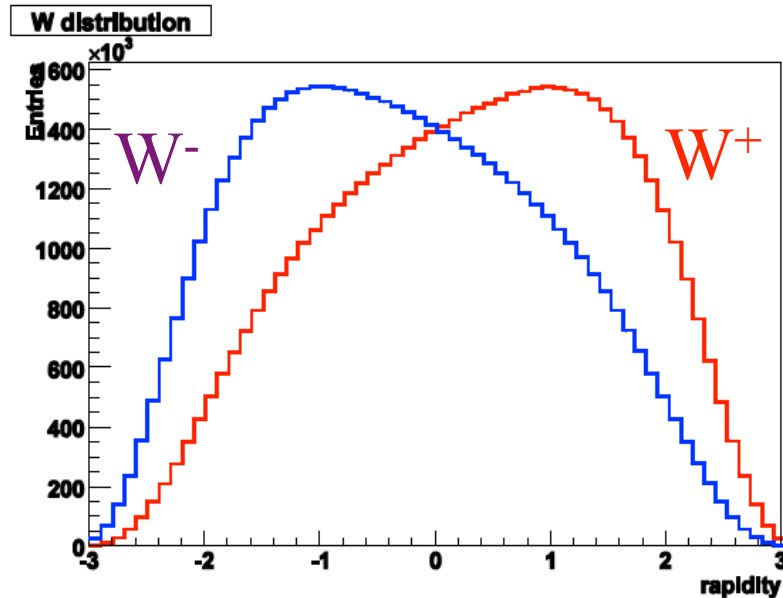
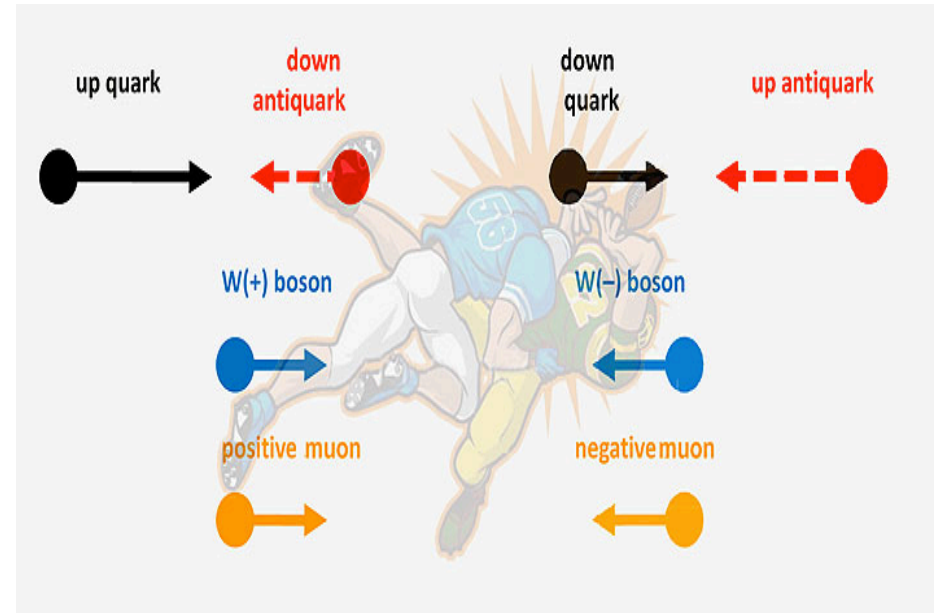
$d\sigma^Z/dy$

- $d\sigma^Z/dy$ sensitive to PDFs
- Total cross section and $d\sigma^Z/dy$ in good agreement with theory



W Charge Asymmetry and PDFs

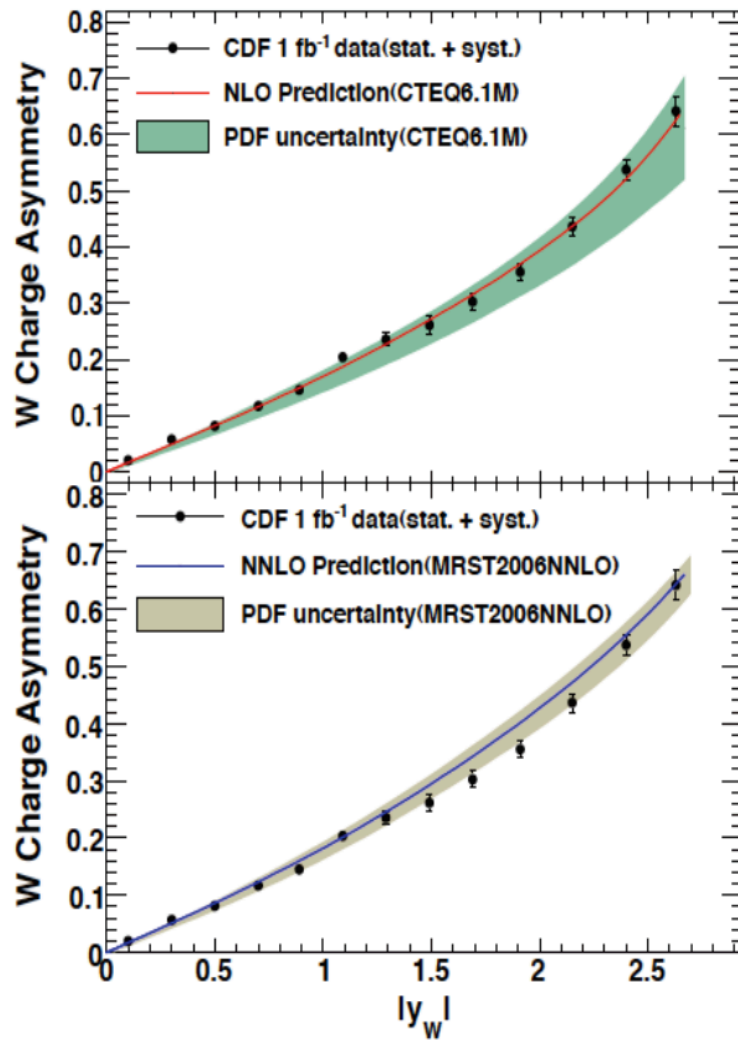
- u quark PDF is harder than d quark PDF
- W^+ (W^-) tends to be boosted along proton (antiproton) direction
- asymmetry = $(N^+ - N^-) / (N^+ + N^-)$
- We actually observe the charged lepton
- W decay partially washes out asymmetry



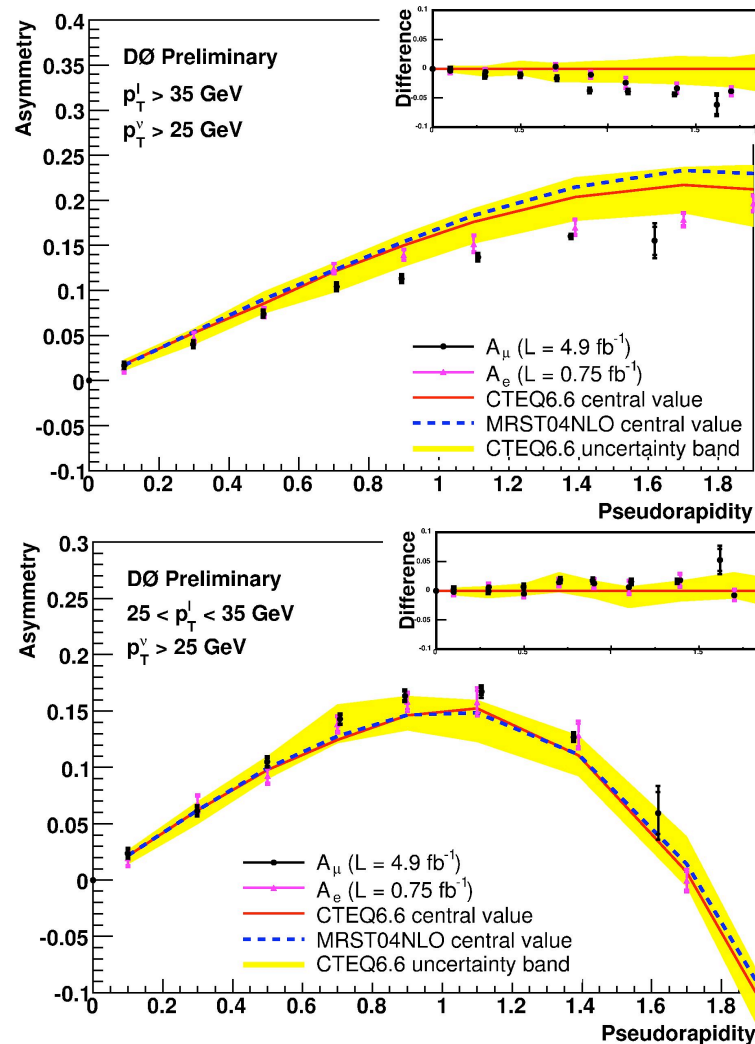
W Charge Asymmetry and PDFs

- Experiments published measurement in different form

Inclusive W boson charge A_{FB} (CDF)



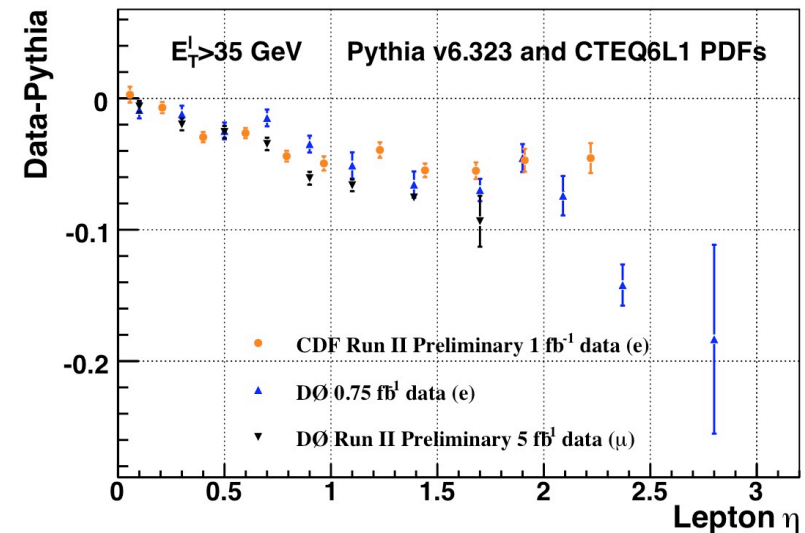
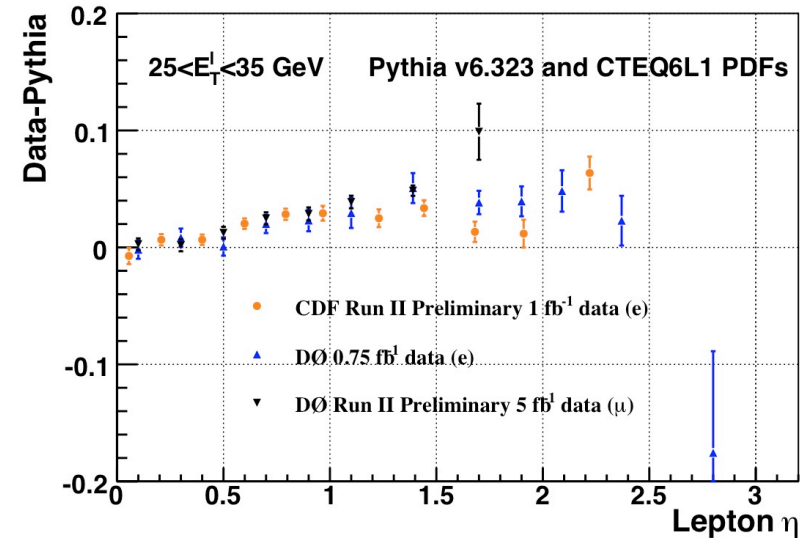
Charged lepton A_{FB} in lepton p_T bins (DØ)



MSTW and CTEQ have problems to incorporate both CDF and DØ data into their global PDF fits

W Charge Asymmetry and PDFs

- CDF have re-analyzed their data (stat. uncertainties only) to allow a direct comparison with DØ
- The experiments agree!
- The problem looks to be in the theory!



Forward-backward asymmetry in $Z \rightarrow ee$

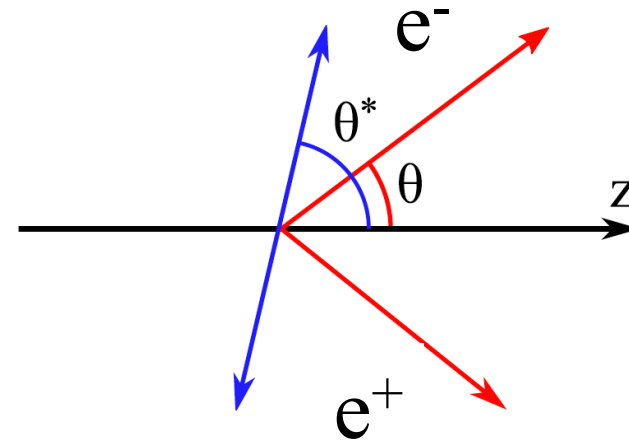
4.1 fb⁻¹, CDF 218000 candidate events

In the rest frame of the dilepton system:

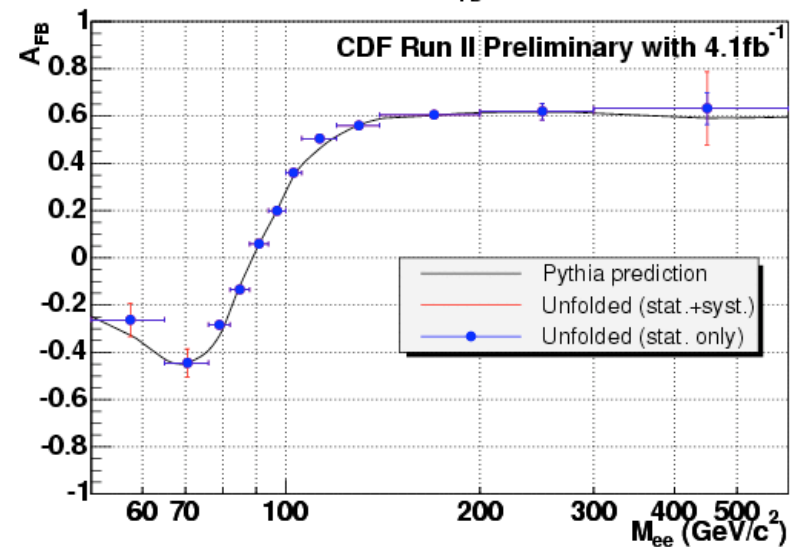
$$A_{FB} = (N_F - N_B) / (N_F + N_B)$$

where:

N_F (N_B) is the number of e^- scattered in the same hemisphere as the outgoing proton (antiproton) beam



Forward-Backward Asymmetry, A_{FB}



Prospects with 10-20 fb⁻¹

- It would be good to see measurements of each important quantity
 - transverse momentum, rapidity, asymmetry
 - as function of $m_{\ell\ell}$
- Using full data set
 - from both CDF and DØ
 - in both $Z \rightarrow ee$ and $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- Many of these measurements have the potential to remain statistics limited
 - scope for clever ideas!
- Potential impact on EW couplings, QCD models, PDFs

Example: Forward-backward asymmetry in $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$

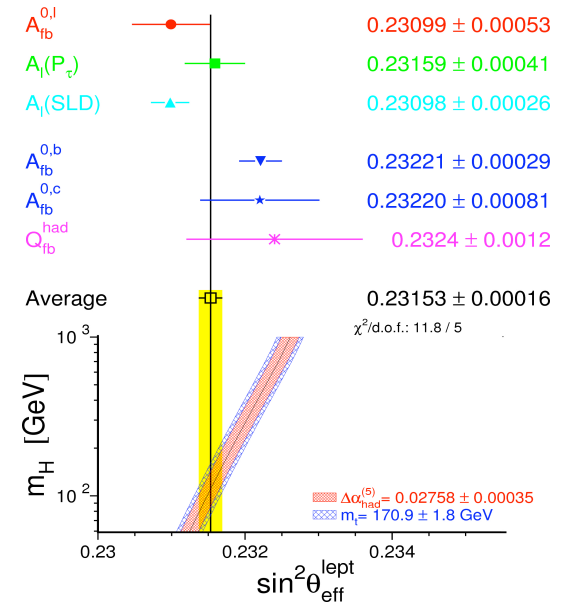
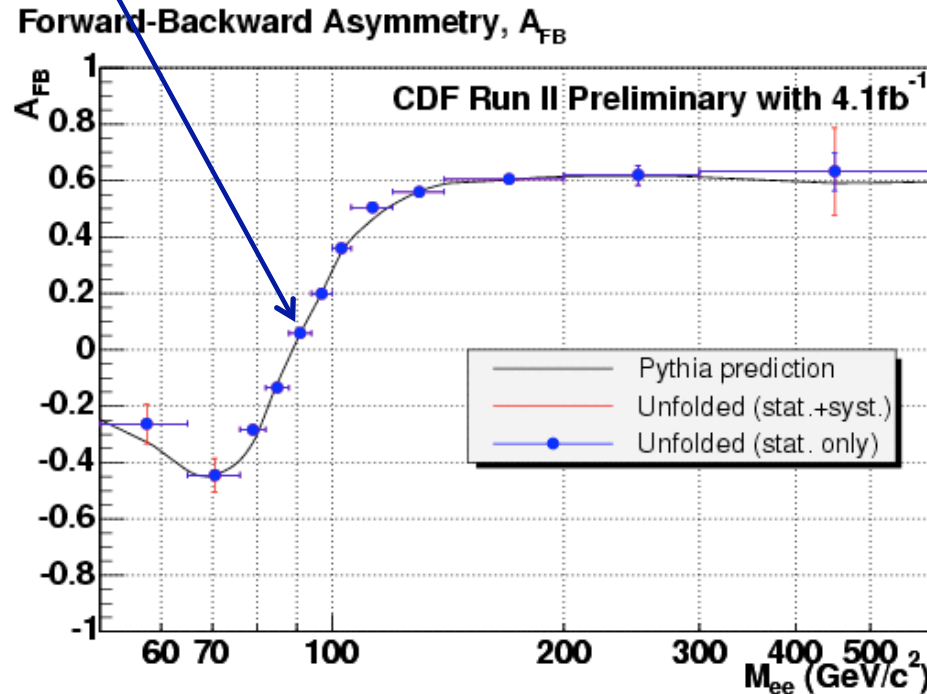
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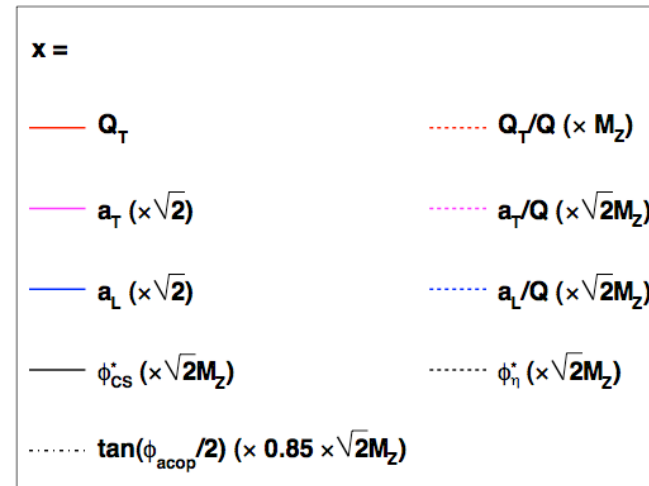
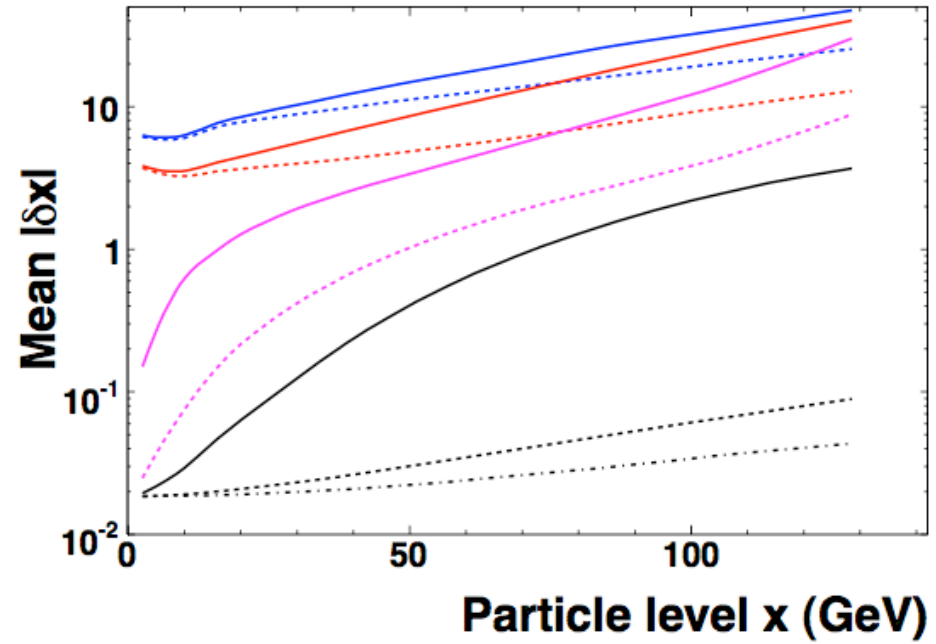
Could achieve a high statistical precision

$$\Delta \sin^2 \theta_W^{\text{eff}} \approx \pm 0.0002 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.0005 \text{ (PDF)} \quad \leftarrow \text{Needs work!}$$

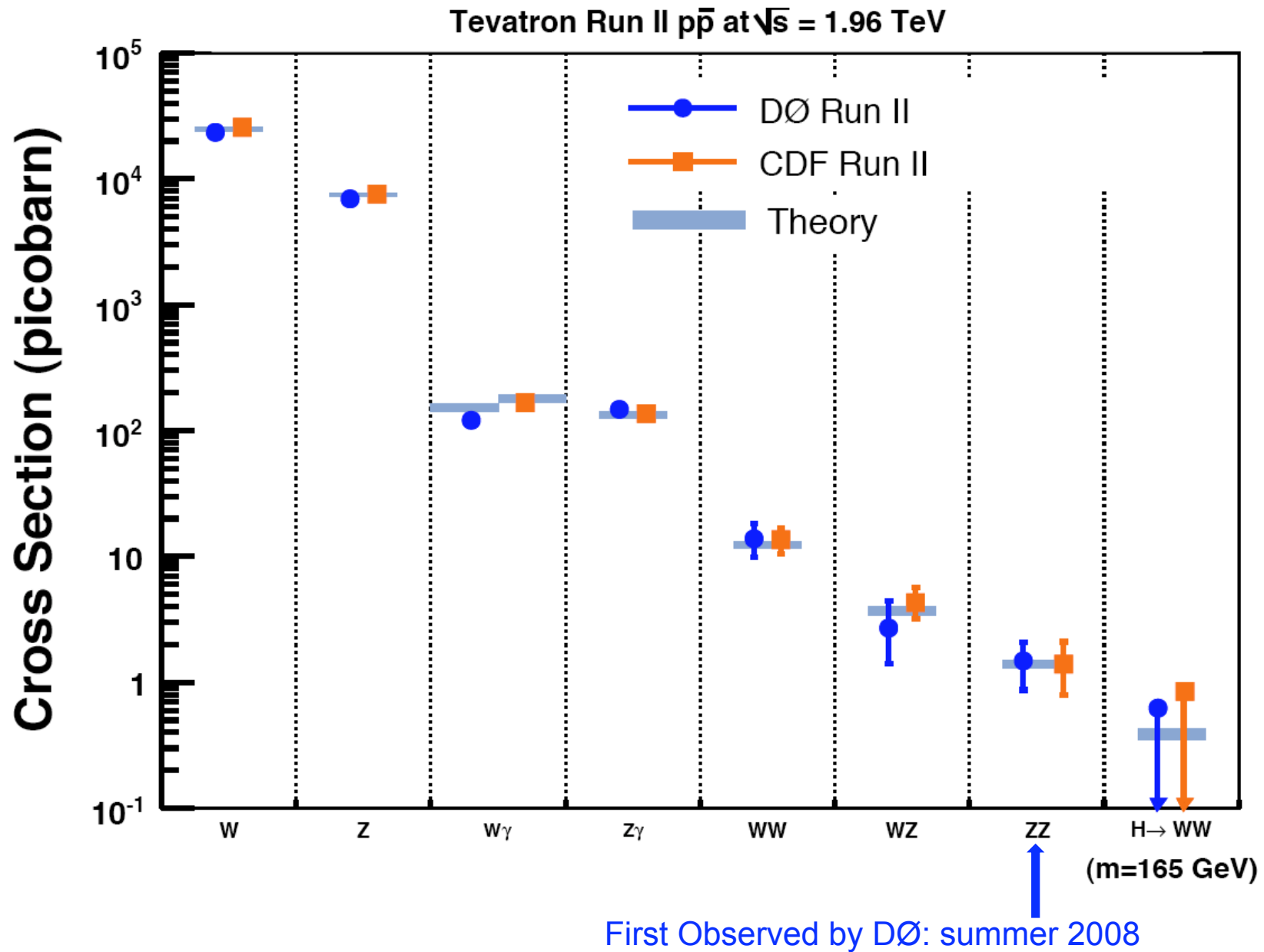
In addition, can extract world's best a, v couplings for light quarks



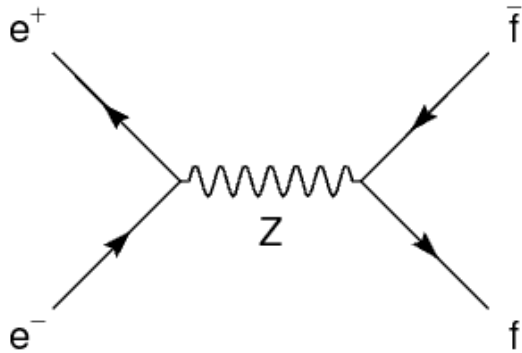
Backup Slides



EW Cross Sections at the Tevatron



Parameters of The Standard Model

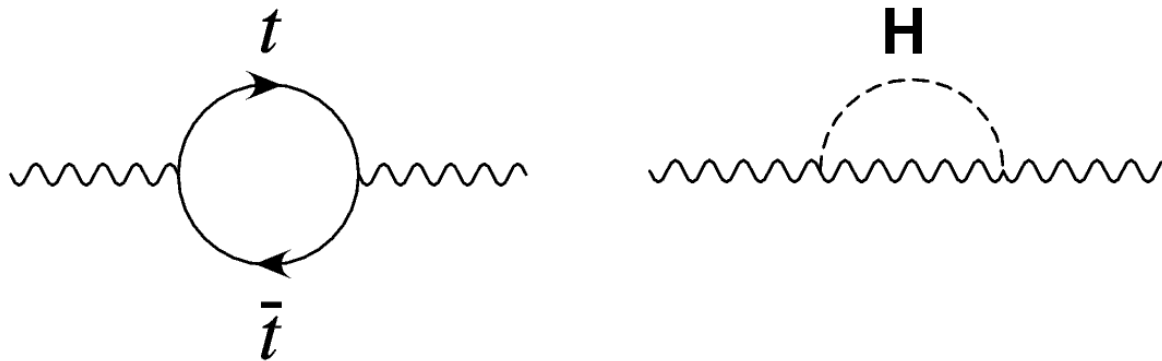


- At the level of simple “tree level” diagrams the EW interactions are determined by three “input” parameters
- Masses of W and Z also given in terms of coupling constants

$$m_W^2 = m_Z^2 \cos^2 \theta_W = \frac{\pi \alpha}{\sqrt{2} G_F \sin^2 \theta_W}$$

- For practical purposes we use as inputs the three most precisely known EW experimental observables:
 - The fine structure constant: $\alpha = e^2/2\epsilon hc$
 - Fermi constant (measured in muon decay $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\mu$): G_F
 - Z mass: m_Z
- Adding QCD requires an additional constant:
 - The strong coupling constant: α_s

Loops



- Loops cause running of coupling constants
 - $\alpha \rightarrow \alpha(Q^2)$
 - $\sin^2\theta_W \rightarrow \sin^2\theta_W^{\text{eff}}$
- EW observables then depend on:
 - $\alpha, G_F, m_Z, m_t, m_H$
- Basic programme:
 - Measure precisely L and R couplings of each fermion to γ, Z, W
 - Measure precisely boson self-interactions
 - Measure precisely $\alpha_s, \alpha, G_F, m_Z, m_t$
 - Test consistency of measurements with Standard Model predictions
 - Find the Higgs!
 - (or other new particles beyond the Standard Model)

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