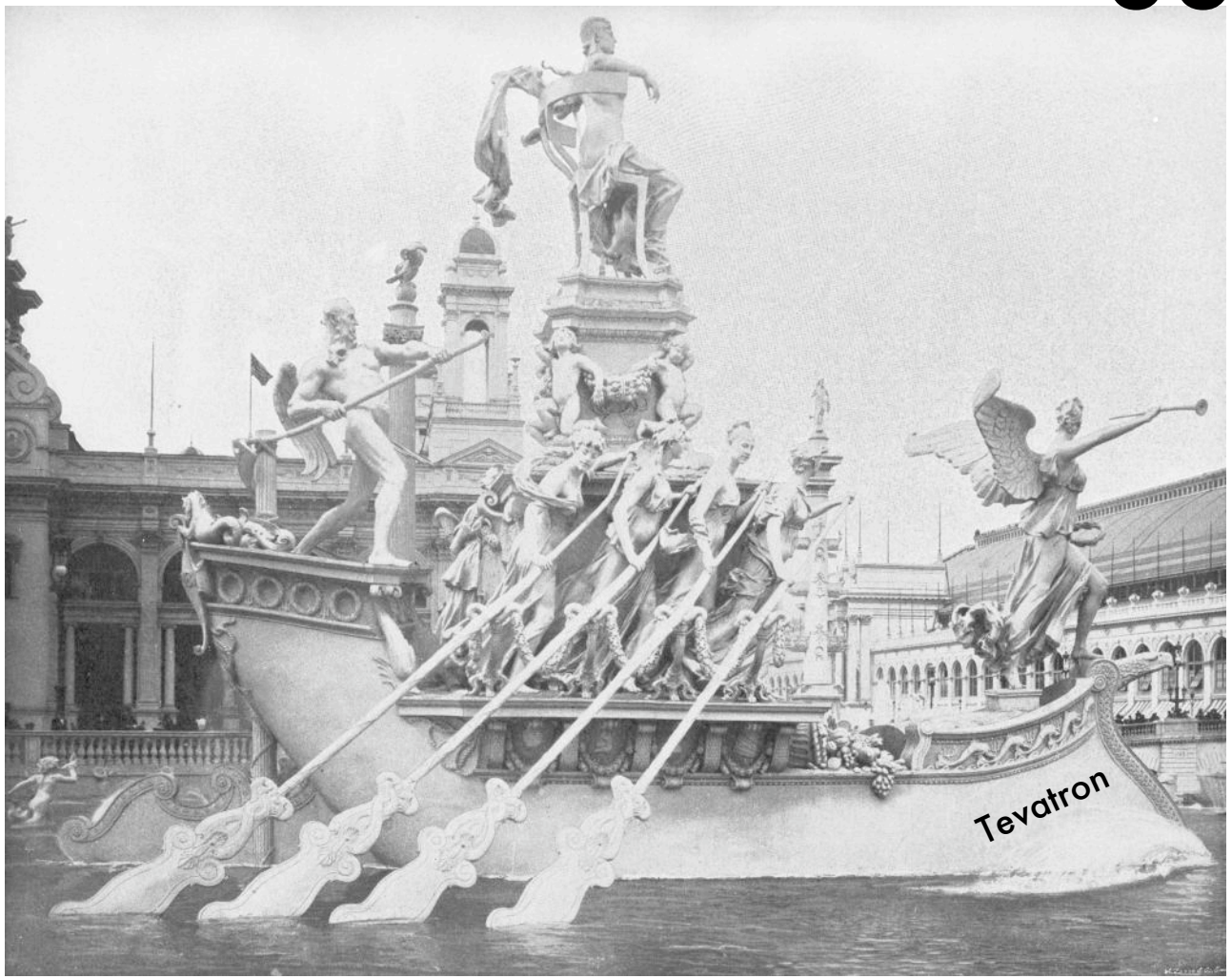
Missing E_T+b-jets: from single top observation to limits on Higgs at



Photograph of the Columbian Fountain at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago

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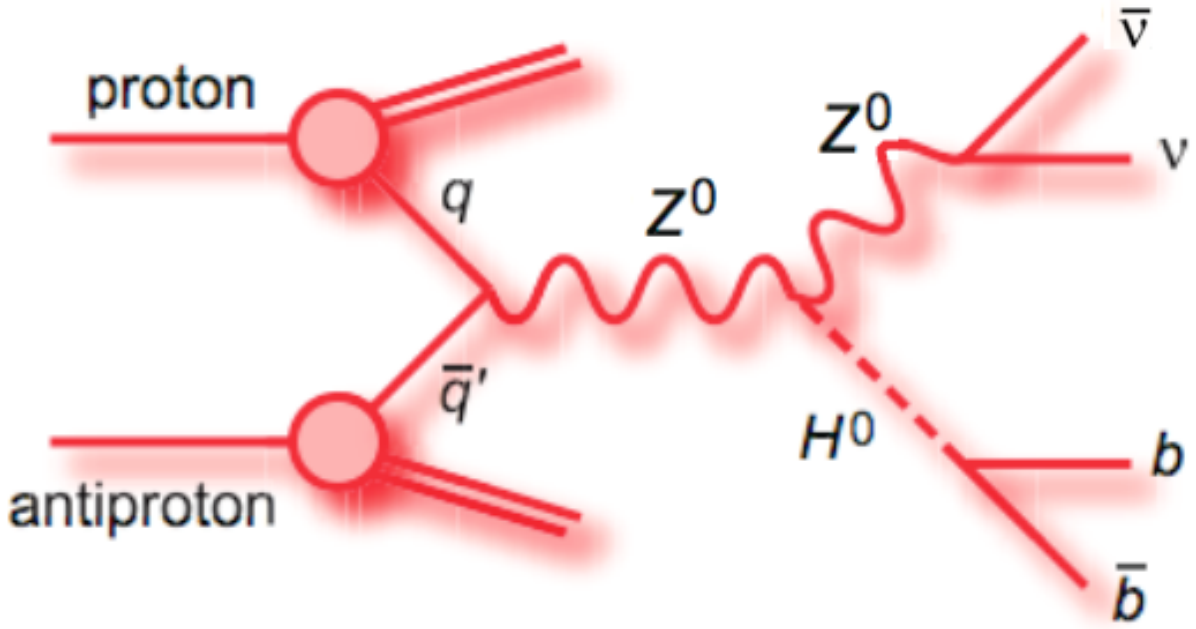
The missing E_T+b-jets signature

Searches in MET+b-jets signature are very interesting:

- In SM, with this signature you can catch one of the most striking production modes for the Higgs boson
- Associated production of Higgs boson together with a vector boson

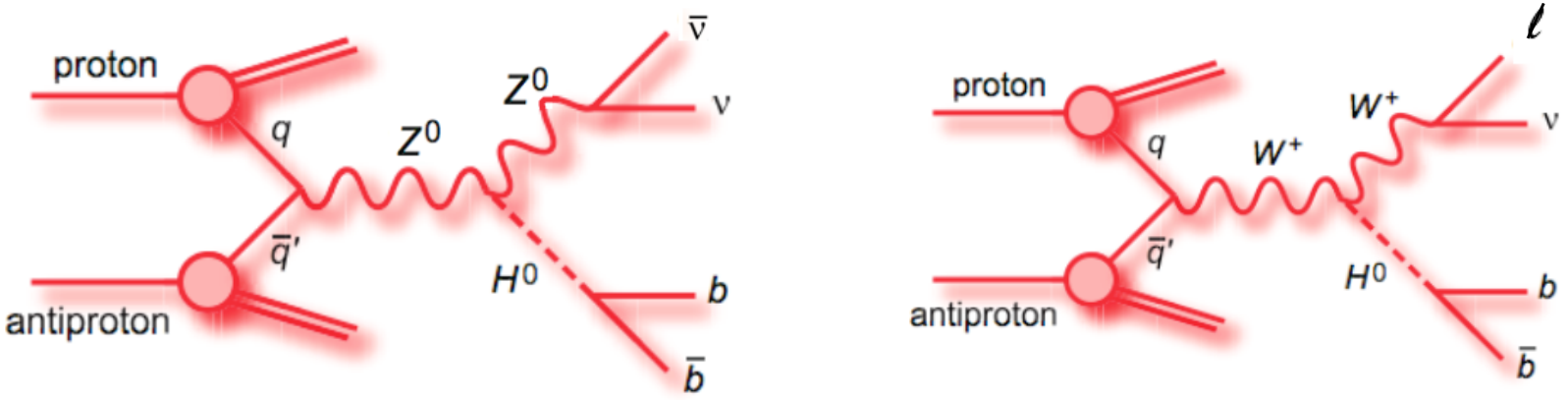


  - Very hard to access at LHC
- Search for SM Higgs boson in the process ZH → νν bb

The missing E_T+b-jets signature

That would be the end of the story for an *ideal detector*. We are going to cover here much more though. Infact, due to limitations in the lepton coverage, this signature is actually ***way more interesting*** than that

- Whenever you miss the lepton, you accept in the same sample another key production mode for the Higgs boson, WH → lν bb



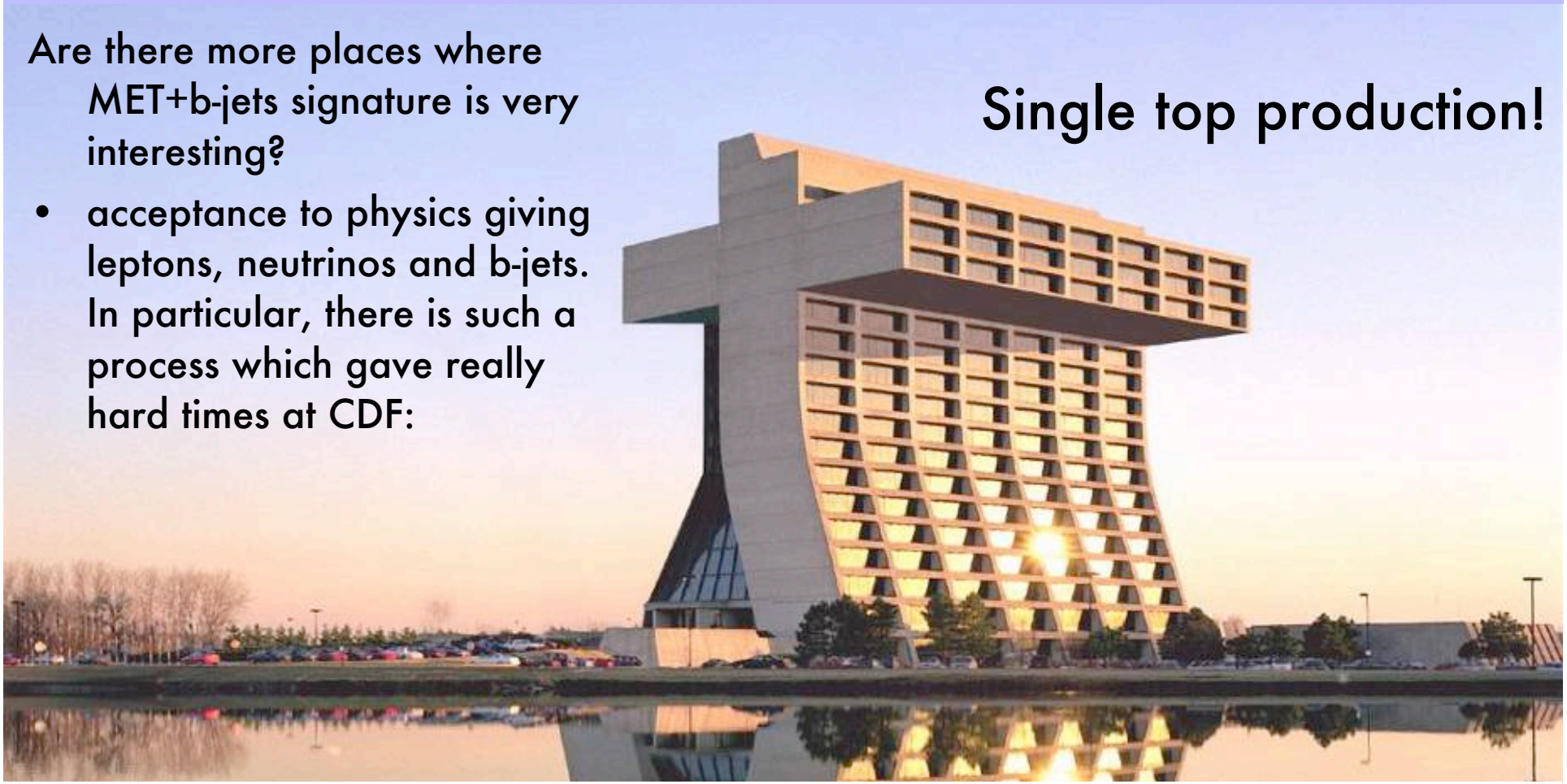
- Search for ZH → νν bb and WH → lν bb in the MET+b-jets signature

Extra goodies!

Are there more places where MET+b-jets signature is very interesting?

- acceptance to physics giving leptons, neutrinos and b-jets. In particular, there is such a process which gave really hard times at CDF:

Single top production!

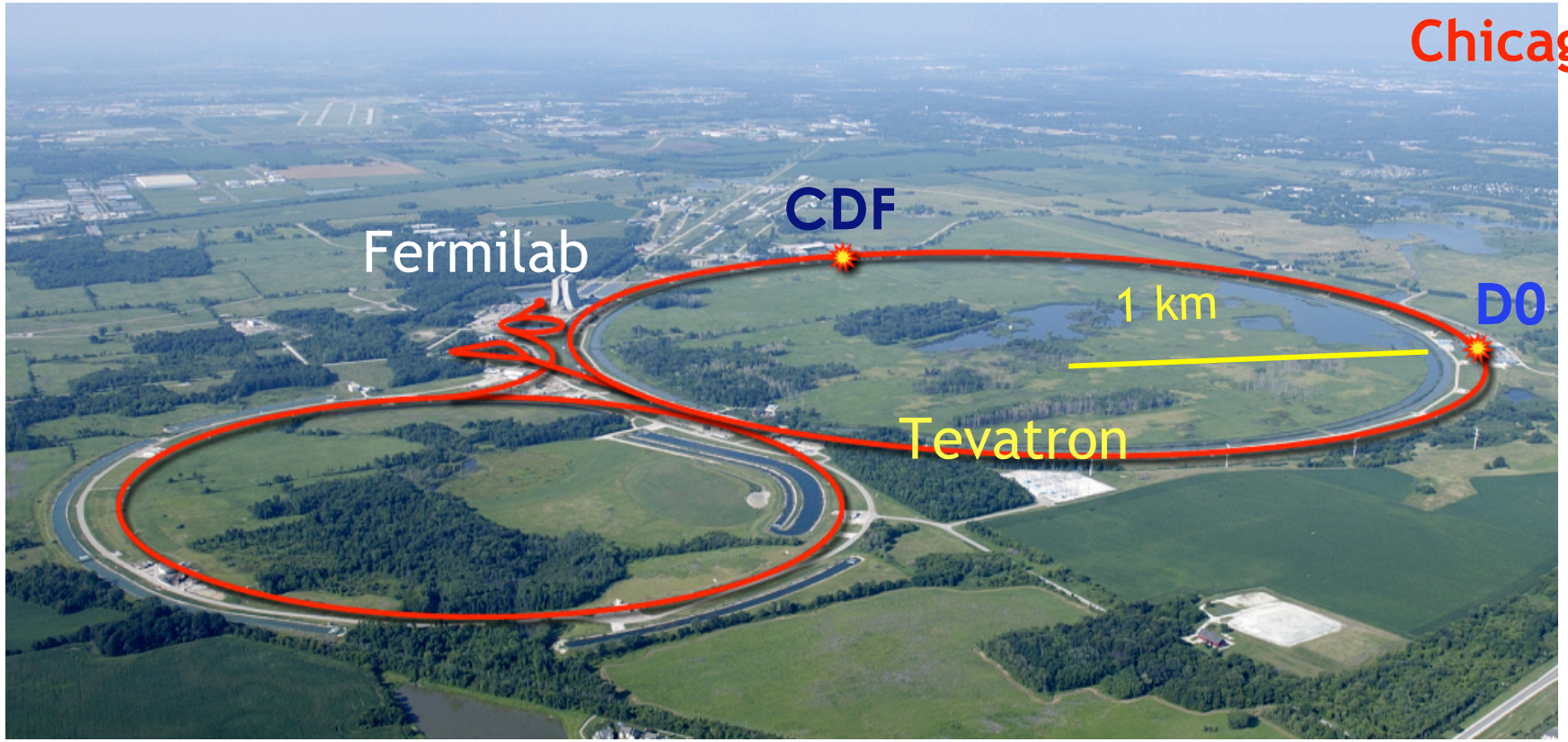


I am going to present today:

- first single top search in the MET+b-jets signature
- Tevatron most stringent limits to Higgs production in MET+b-jets signature

The Tevatron collider

- Fermilab's Tevatron Run II $p\bar{p}$ collider at 1.96 TeV, running since 2001. Currently performing very well:
  - $3.7 \cdot 10^{32}$ cm^{-2} s^{-1} new record in instantaneous luminosity!
  - $1.5 fb^{-1}$ acquired in Y08 - as much recorded by mid-09!
  - Two multi-purpose, well-understood detectors CDF and D0



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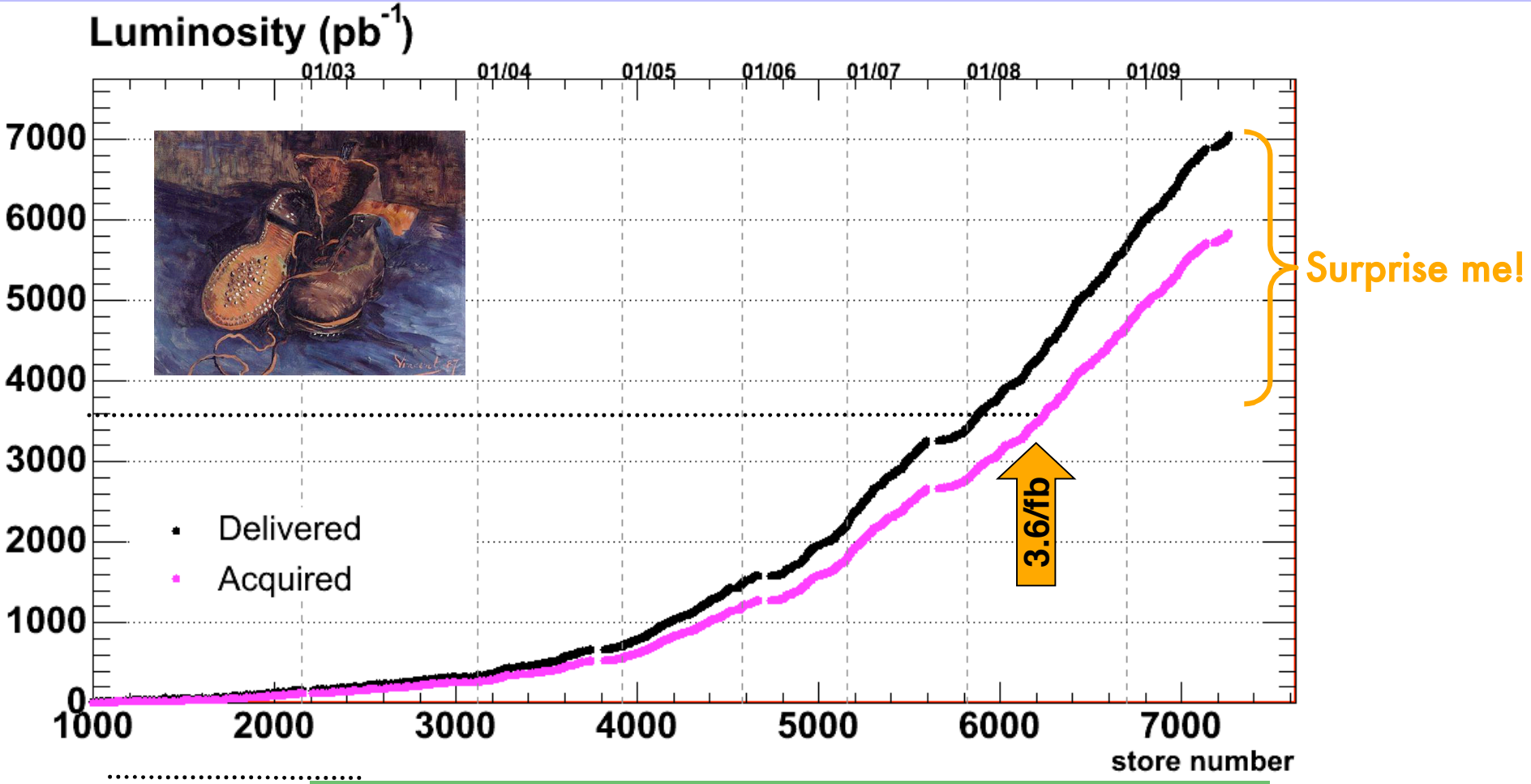
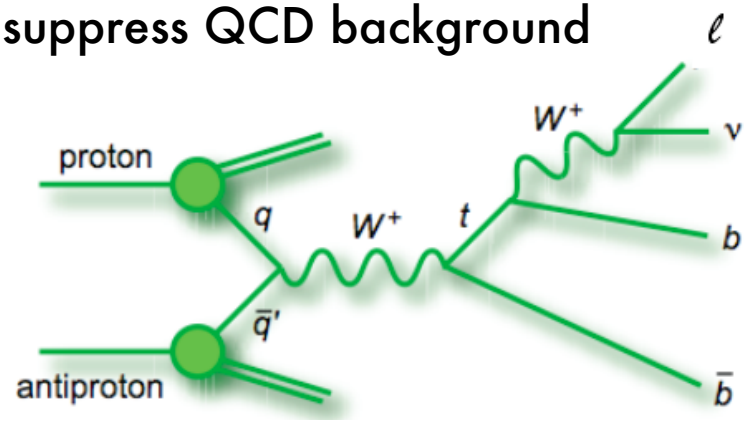


Delivered > 7.0 fb^{-1}
Acquired almost 6 fb^{-1} (slightly less w/ silicon)
Up to 3.6fb^{-1} used in following searches

The rarest SM processes

The l+$\not\!\!E_T$+b-jets search challenges

With so much data, it is time to shed light on the rarest SM processes. Lepton signature very popular at hadron colliders to suppress QCD background



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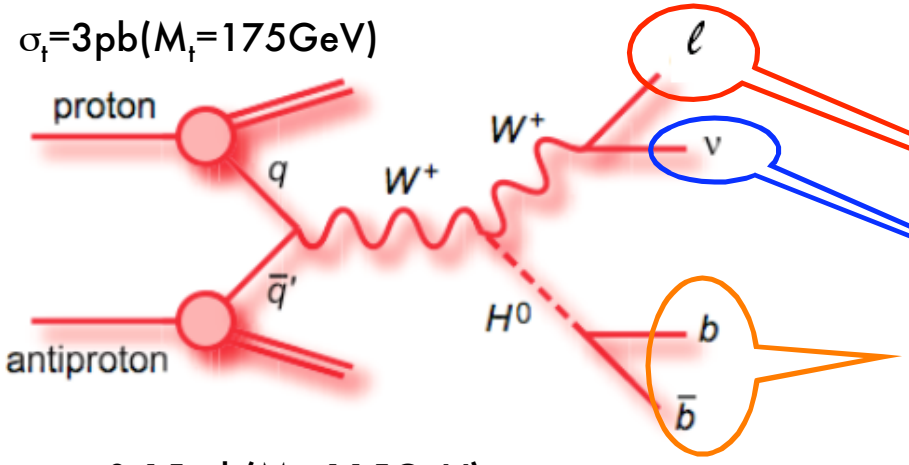

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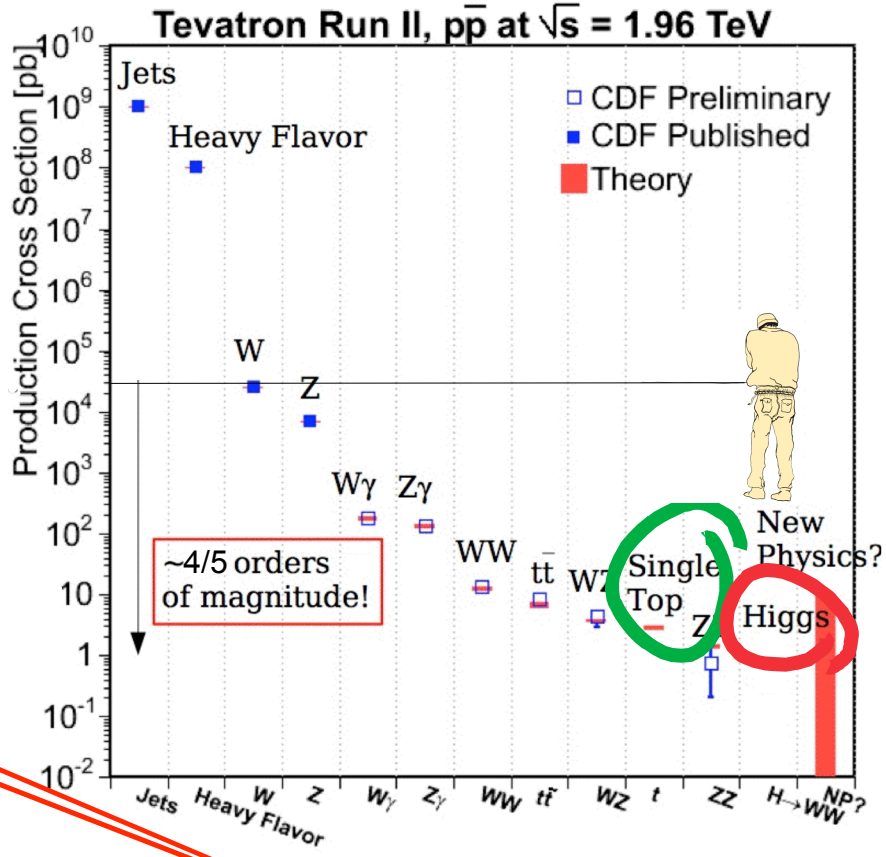
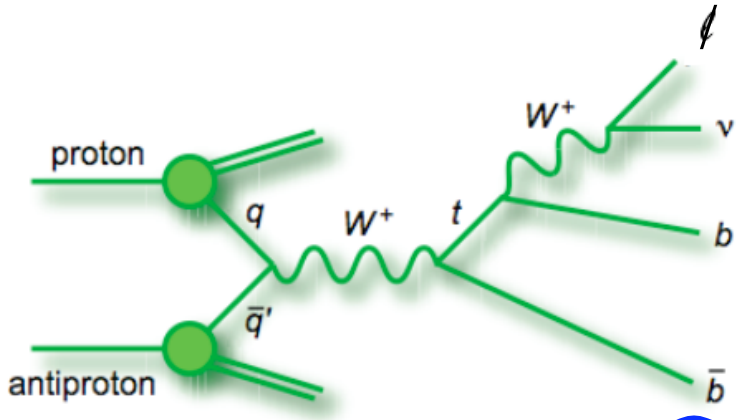


- b-jets or MET and leptons reduces bck by many orders of magnitude
- But W/Z+2 jets still high!

The $\not\!\!E_T$+b-jets search challenges

Need to improve precision/sensitivity. Use orthogonal signature of MET+b-jets.
Much more challenging than with leptons!!



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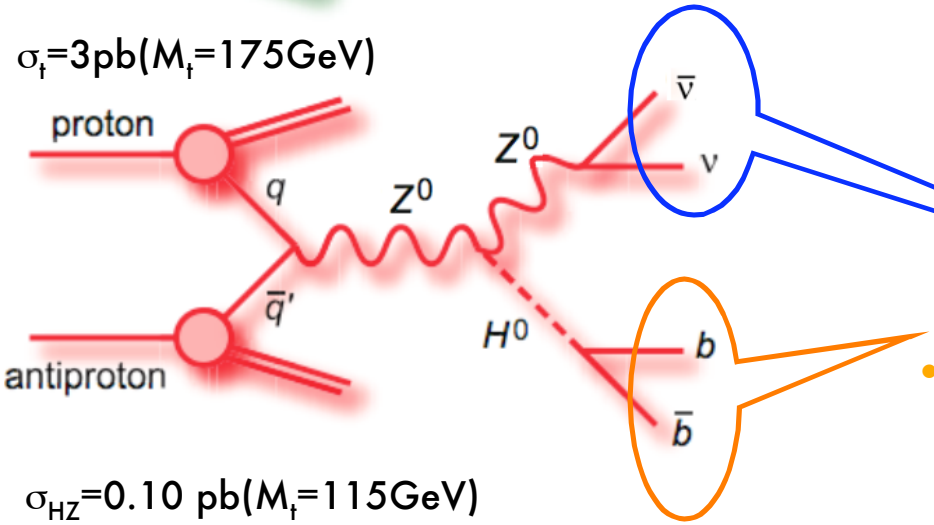

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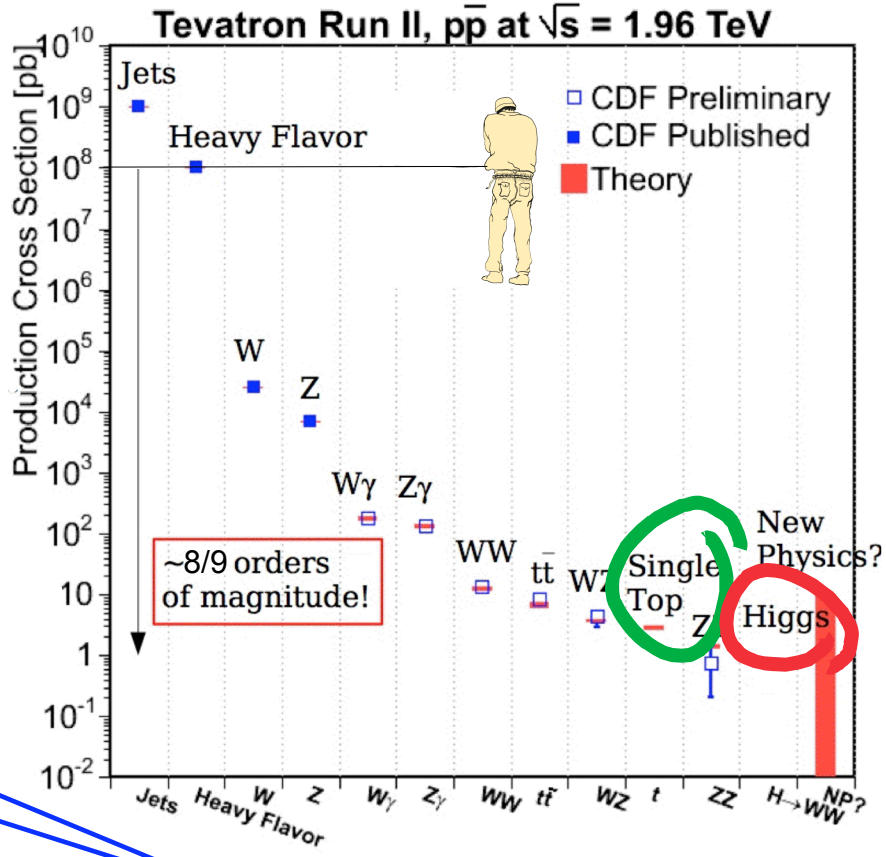
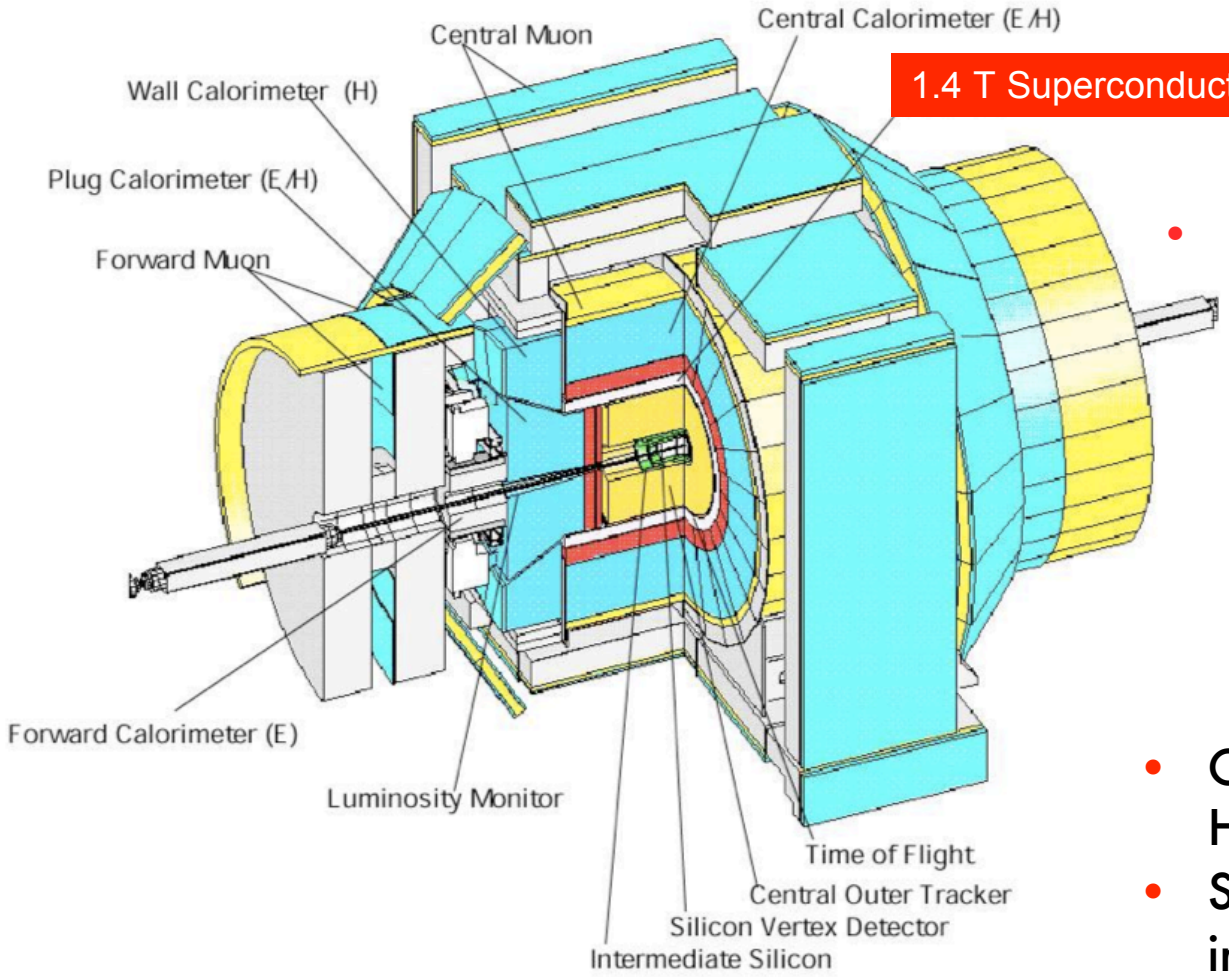


- b-jets and MET reduces physics background by a lot, but instrumental QCD background still huge!

The tools of the trade

The CDF II detector

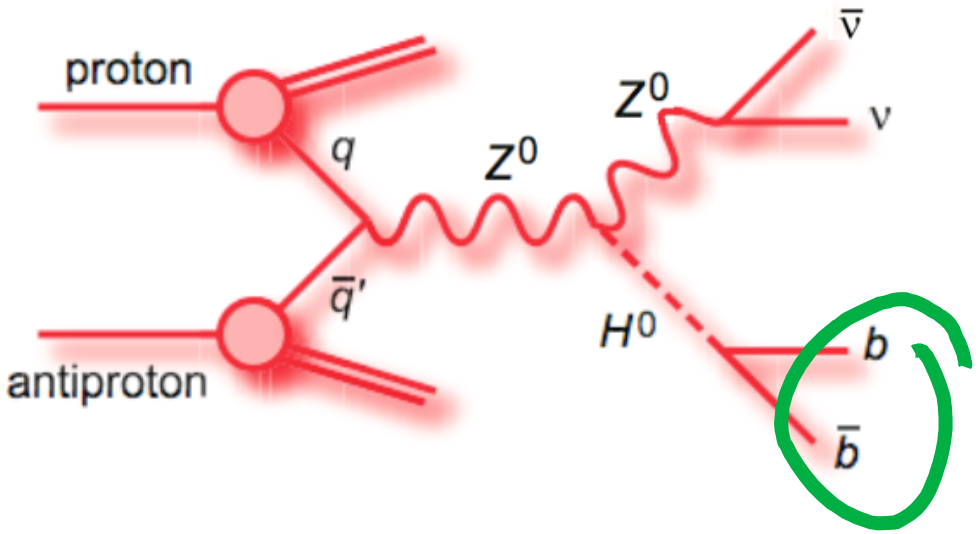


- Tracking:
  - Silicon tracker allows precision vertex detection $|\eta|<2$
  - Drift chamber $|\eta|<1$ measures charged particle P_T

- Calorimeter split in EM and HAD devices $|\eta|<3.6$
- Shower maximum detector in EM cal

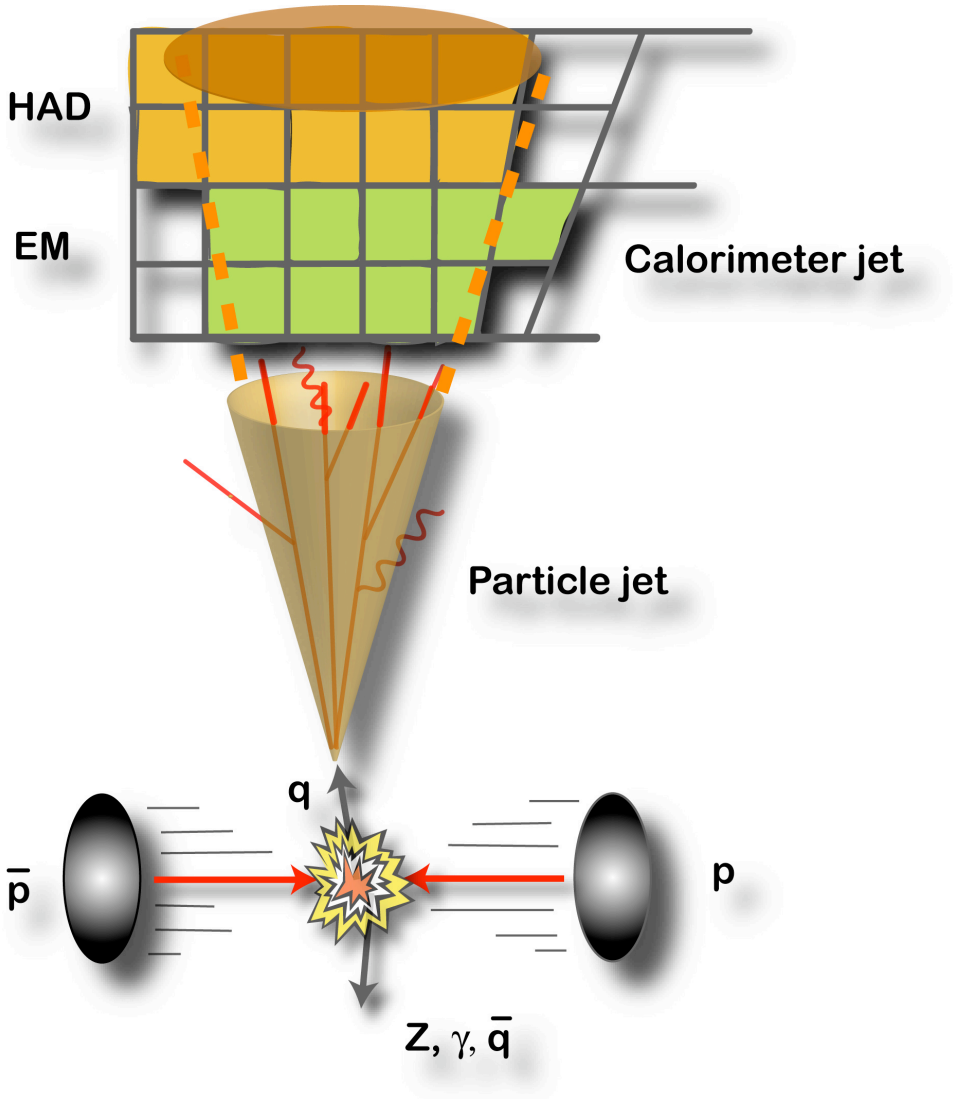
- Muon chamber outside calorimeter coverage $|\eta|<1.5$

The jets signature

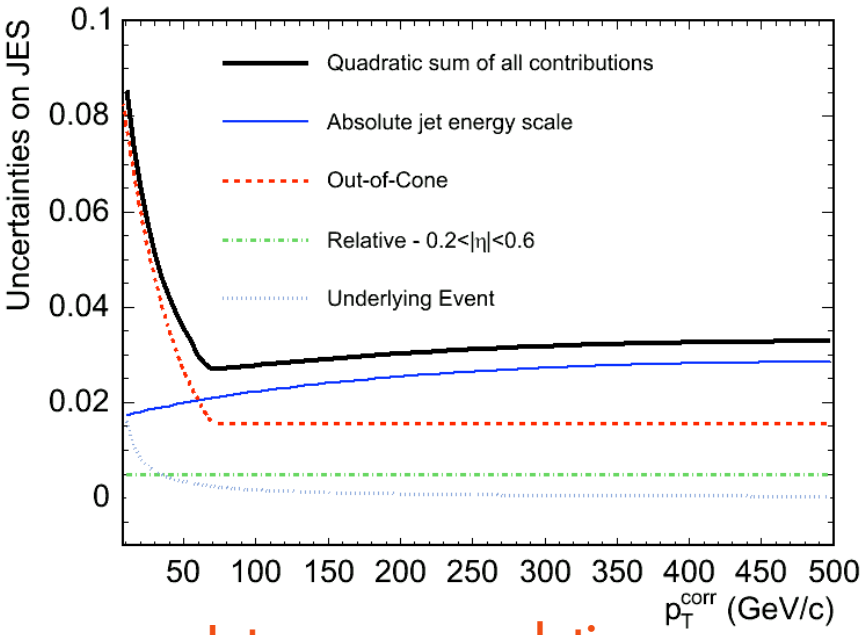


Generic jets

- Quark/gluons hadronize and produce particle jets
- CDF uses cone based jet reconstruction algorithm. Loops over calorimetric towers
- Pros:
  - Jets are macroscopic objects: reconstruction efficiency is nearly 100%
  - CDF calorimeter covers almost all solid angle ($|\eta|<2.8$ here)
- Cons:
  - Jet energy resolution driven by had cal resolution $80\%/\sqrt{E_T}$ *source of missing E_T*
  - Non-instrumented regions in calorimetry lead to underestimation of jet E_T → *source of missing E_T*



Jets at CDF

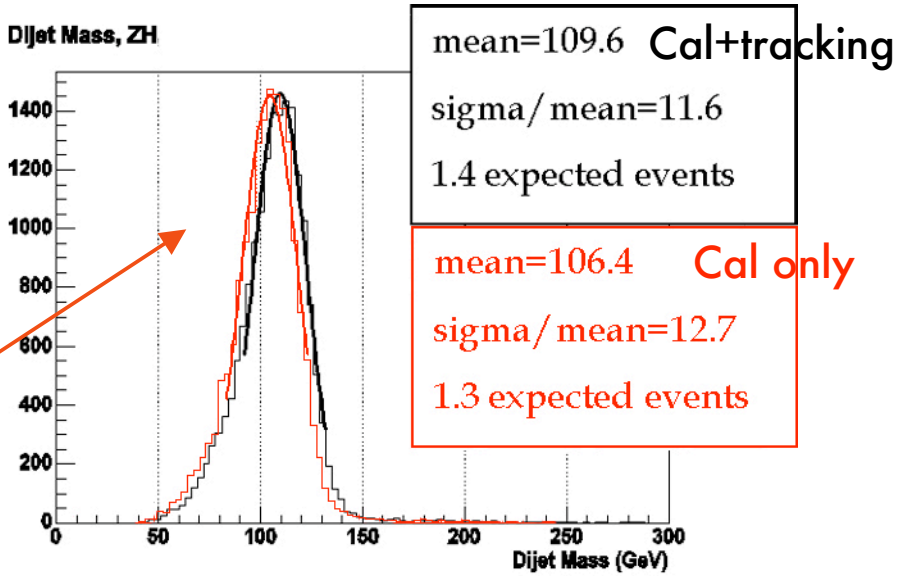


Jet energy scale uncertainty

- Systematic difference from data and Monte Carlo, convolution of many effects
  - 5% to 3% of the jet energy

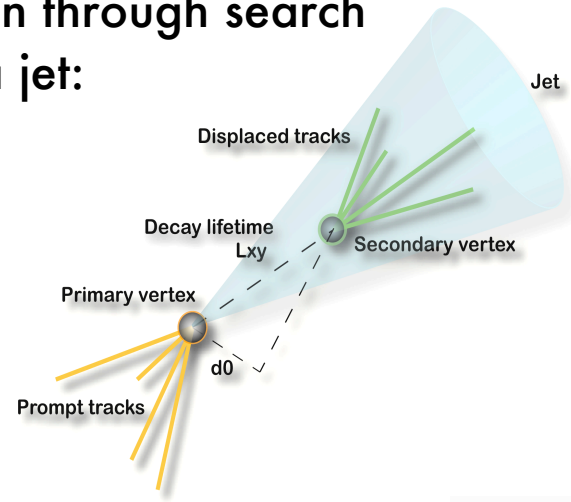
Jet energy resolution

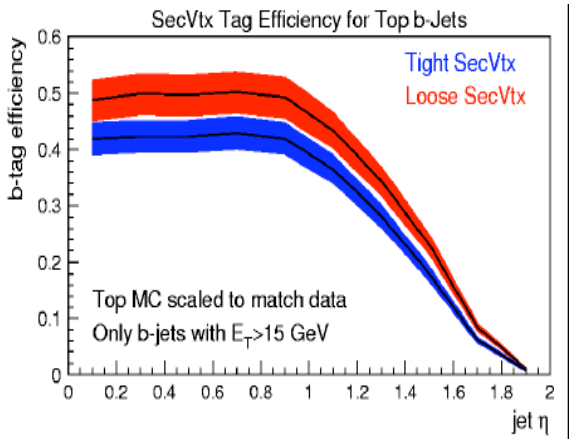
- Tracks resolution is far better than calorimeter resolution for particles with P_T<50 GeV
- New jet reconstruction algorithm substitute track P_T with cal E_T whenever possible to improve jet energy resolution (10% improvement)



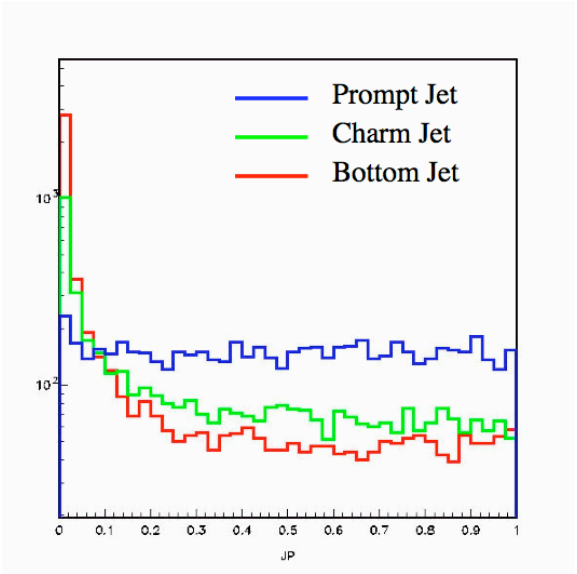
b-jets

- ✓ SecVTX: b-quark id'ed w long lifetime of the B mesons they form: identification through search of a secondary vertex within a jet:
  - b-tag eff: ~ 40%
  - fake rate ~ 0.5%





- ✓ JetProb: Jet probability algorithm: determines prob that the tracks within a jet are consistent with coming from the primary vertex
  - b-tag eff ~50%
  - fake rate~5%



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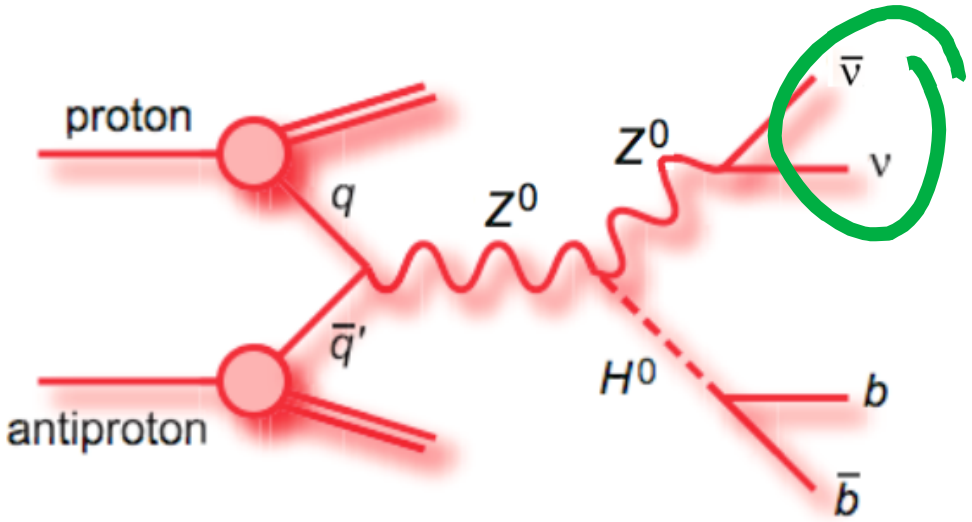


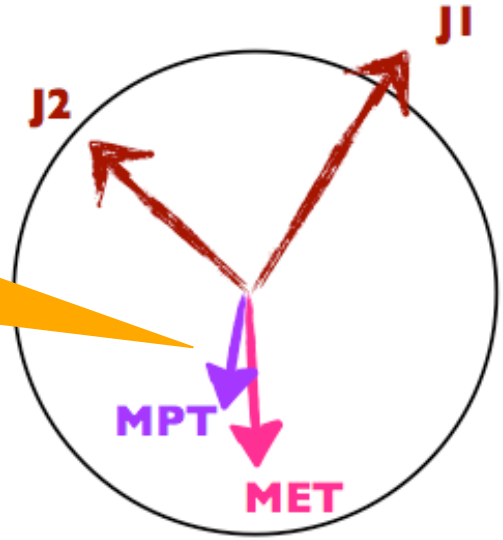
Missing E_T, and more

Neutrinos:

- measured using the missing transverse energy (MET) from calorimeter.
- Now using also the ***momentum flow imbalance in the transverse plane*** as measured from the ***spectrometer***: the missing transverse momentum (MPT) *New!*
  - MPT largely correlated to true neutrino energy/direction
  - For QCD events, MPT very different!

Example: events selected with MET>50 GeV, 2 high P_T b-jets

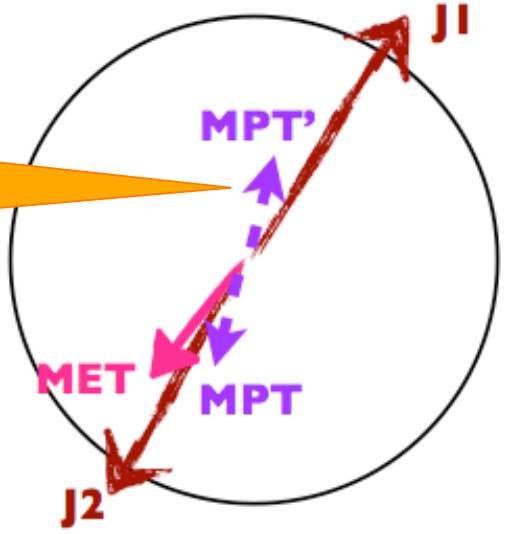
A $ZZ \to \nu\nu$ bb **event**



MPT in events with neutrinos is aligned to MET

A QCD bb **event**

MPT in QCD events is aligned to one jet or the other



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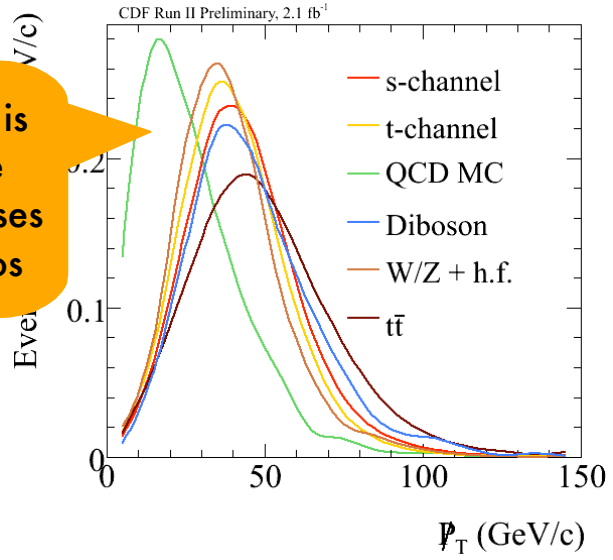
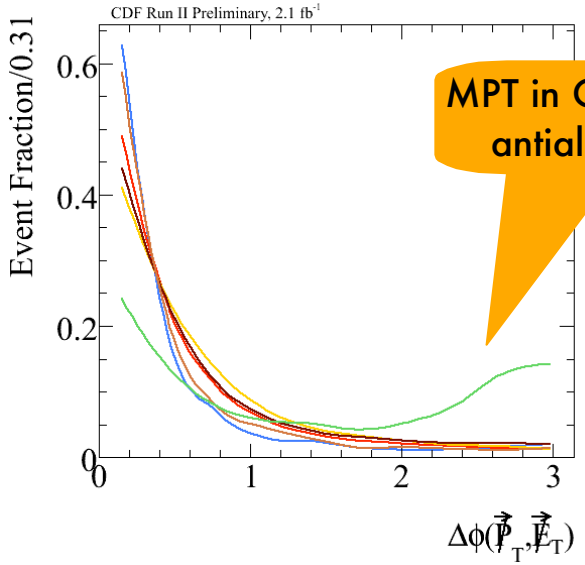
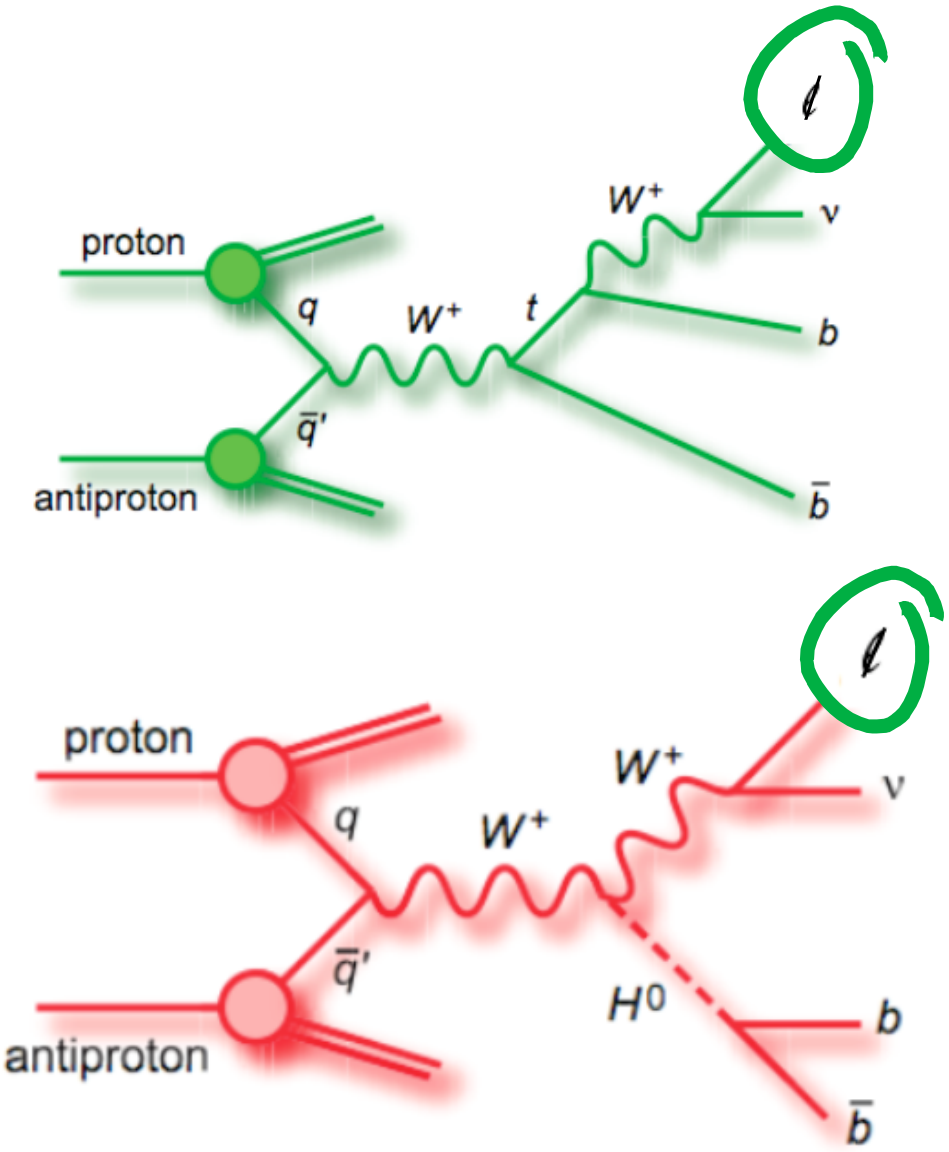
MPT in QCD events is lower than the one coming from processes giving real neutrinos





MPT in QCD aligned or antialigned to MET

The lepton (absence) signature



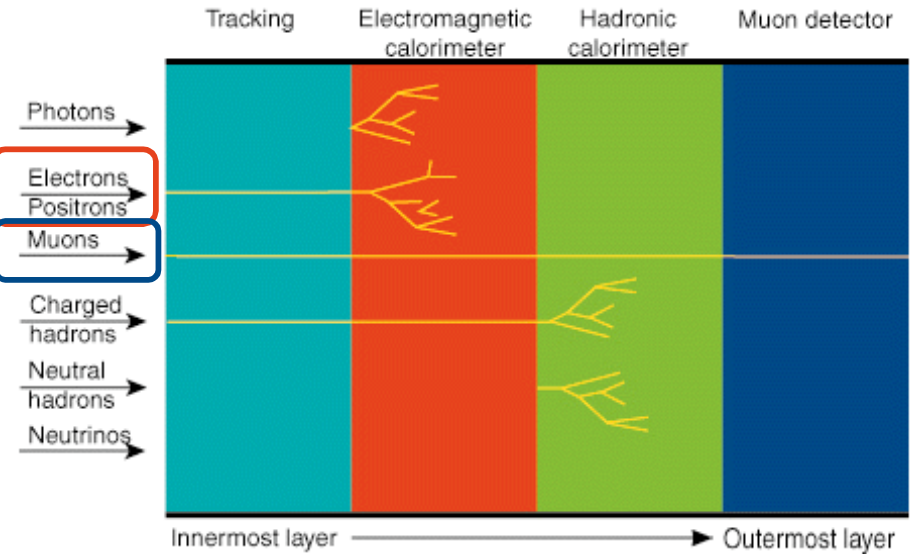
Charged leptons

Electrons:

- Track in central tracker *MATCHING* to em calo deposit *AND* shower max (reject π^0s) *AND* isolation (reject showers from quark)

Muons:

- track in central tracker *MATCHING* to stubs in muon chambers (if $|\eta|<1.3$)



Taus:

- No <u>explicit</u> τ ID here.
  Accept $\tau \rightarrow$ *leptons* through μ,e and $\tau \rightarrow$ *hadrons* through jets

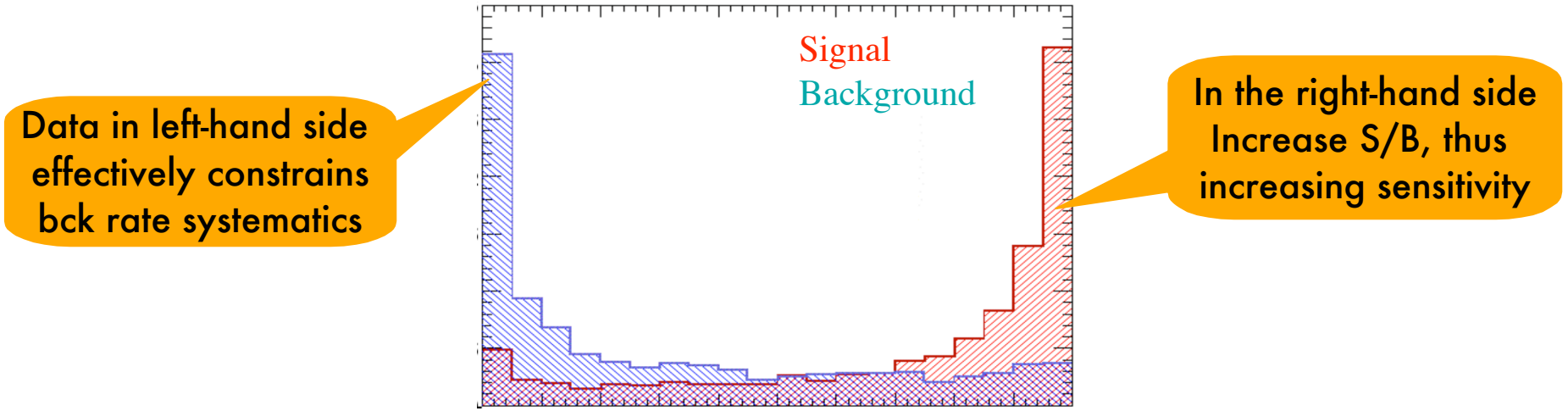
Strict requirement to ID a lepton.
Moral: often you don't identify them!
Missing leptons can appear as **Jets**(e,τ) or **MET**(e,μ,τ)!

Multivariate techniques

Small S and large B with large uncertainties σ_B: need to maximize statistical power

CDF uses different classes of multivariate techniques:

- Physics oriented exploit knowledge of the *matrix element* (ME) of the process
- Likelihood ratio(LR) Probability density estimators for each variable combined in1
- Machine-learning techniques such as and neural networks (NN)
  - Better than LR because exploit correlations among different observables.
  - ME not used here because too little information on signal final state *and* hard to trust QCD Monte Carlo



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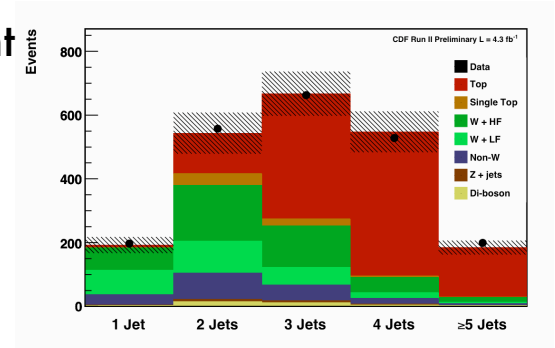

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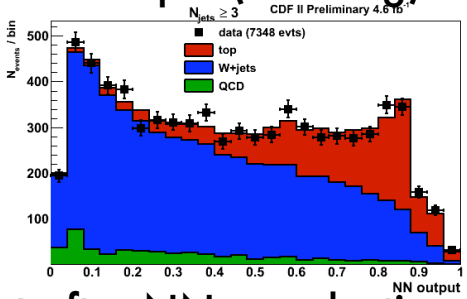

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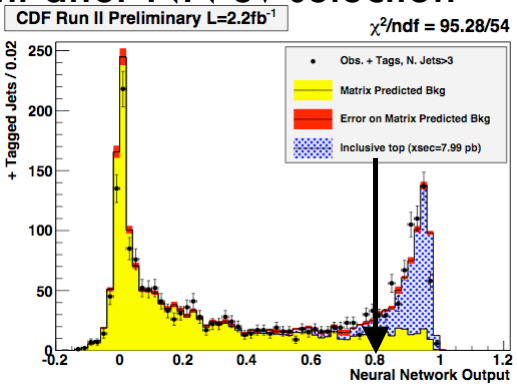

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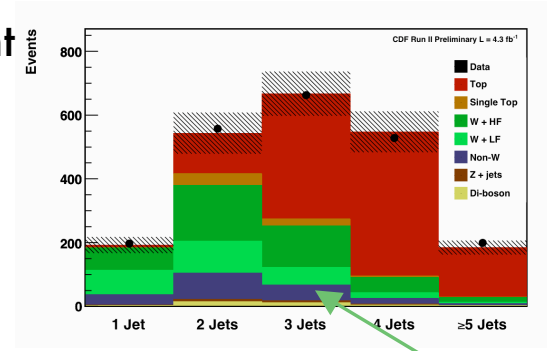

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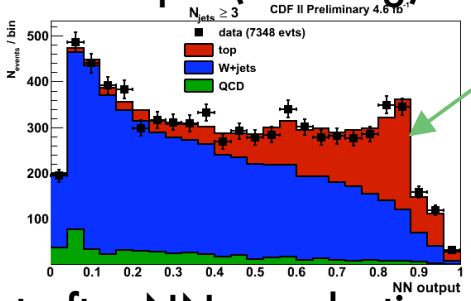

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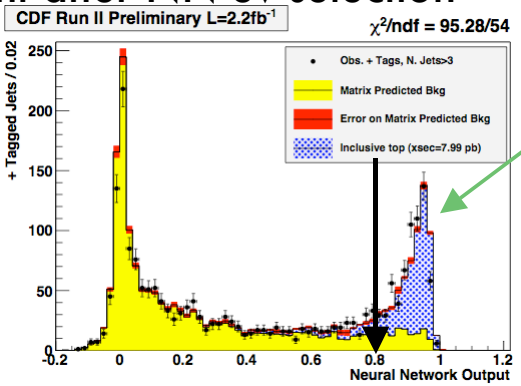

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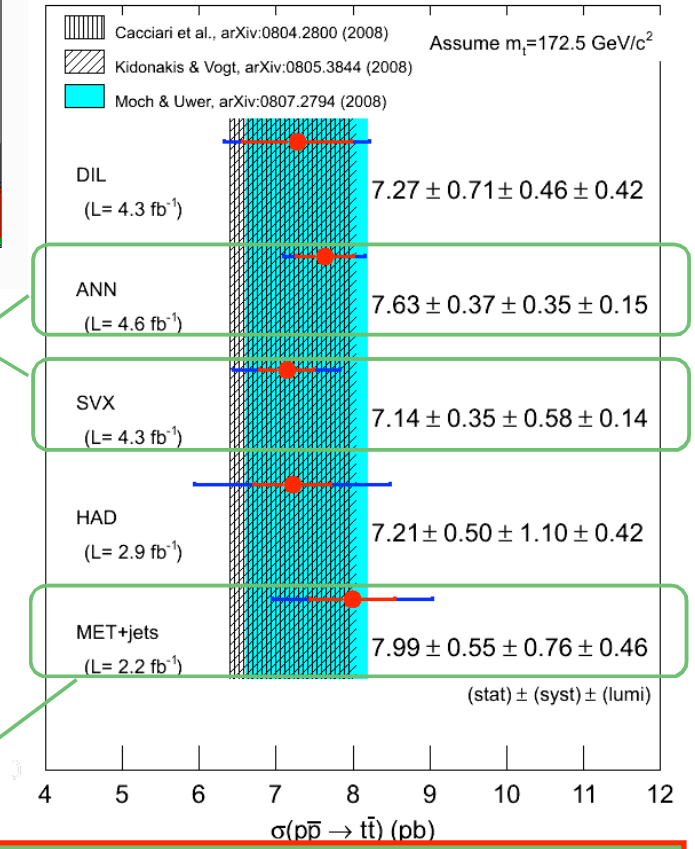
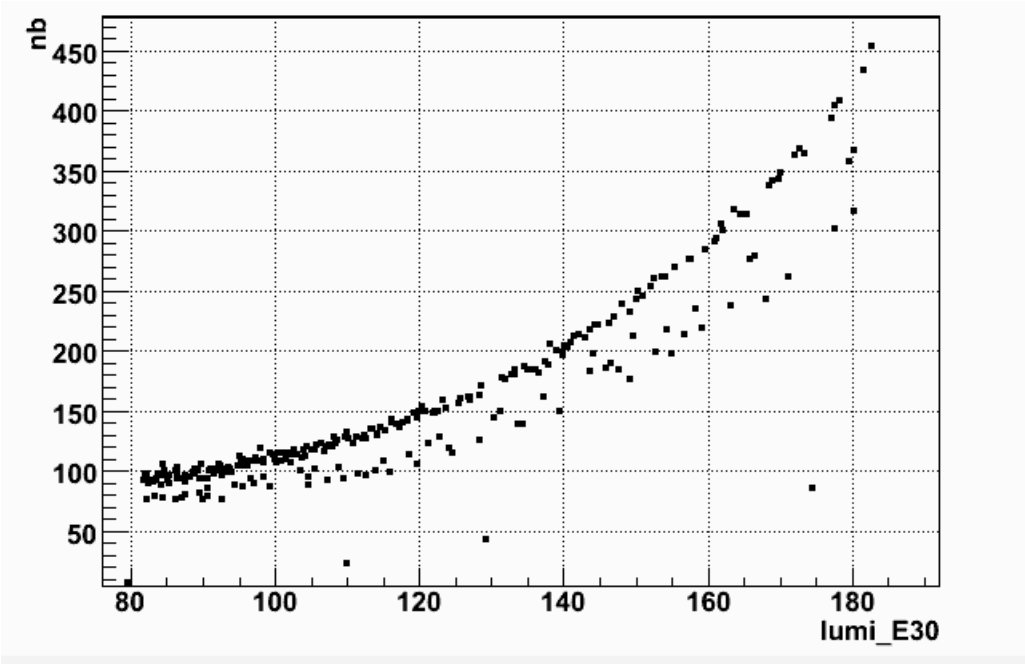


They all agree with each other and SM prediction: bad S/B ratio can be handled

The MET+jets trigger

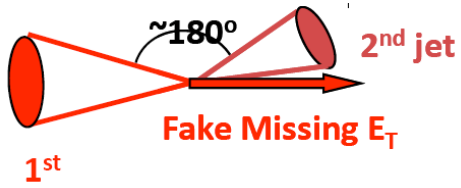
- Trigger on events with large MET, and 2 jets
- Jet E_T and MET resolution low at trigger level → huge rates at level 1 and 2



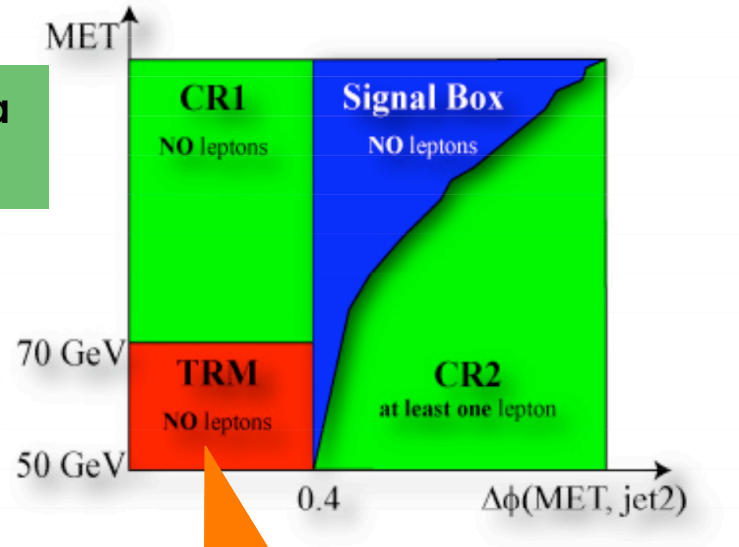
- After trigger cuts at level 3, the trigger cross section is O(10nb)
  - 4 or 5 orders of magnitude larger than our signal!
- Require MET>50GeV to ensure trigger efficiency on MC
- Large separation between jets, to avoid jet merging
  - Both requirements can be loosened after trigger upgrade

QCD background modeling

MC modeling suffers from
- poorly known cross-sections
- need generation of huge samples (>billion events)



Sample is QCD dominated → use data itself as a model, but have to account for b-tagging bias



Derive per-jet probability to be tagged; weight pretag data with such probability to model b-tagged QCD

Derive per-jet tag probability

Data-driven modeling contains W+light flavor jet production
We use Monte Carlo for all other processes

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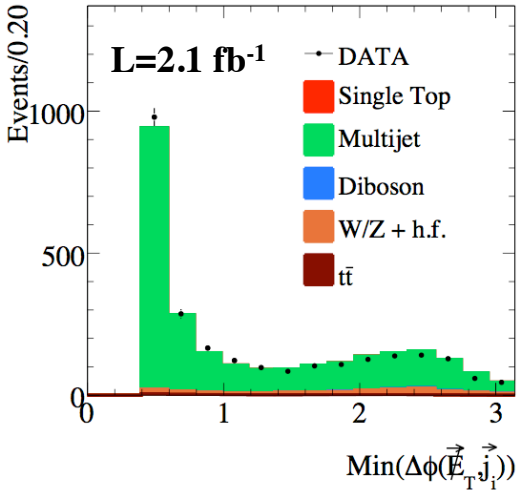

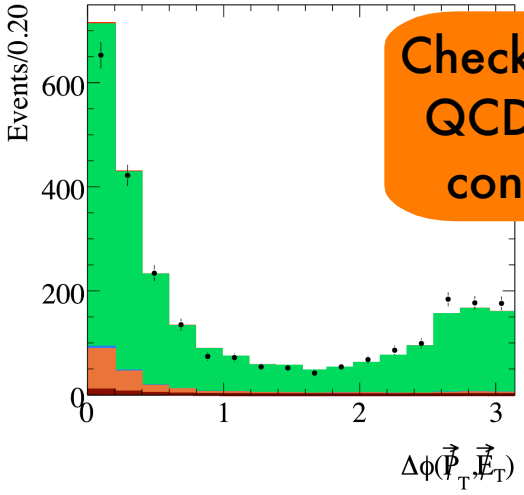

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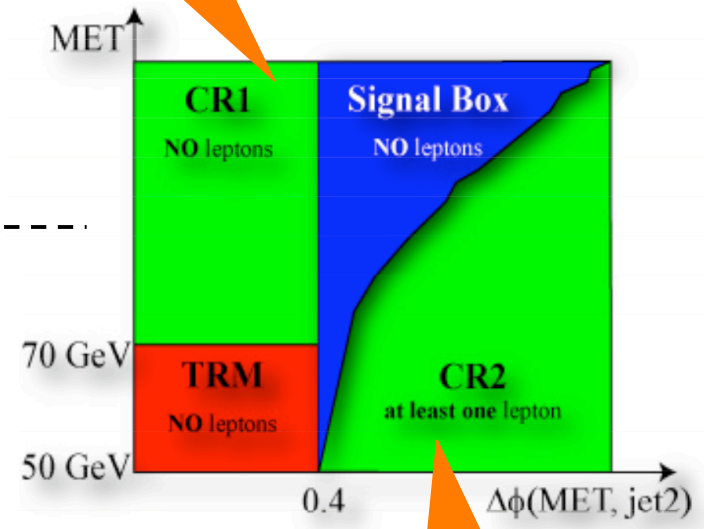
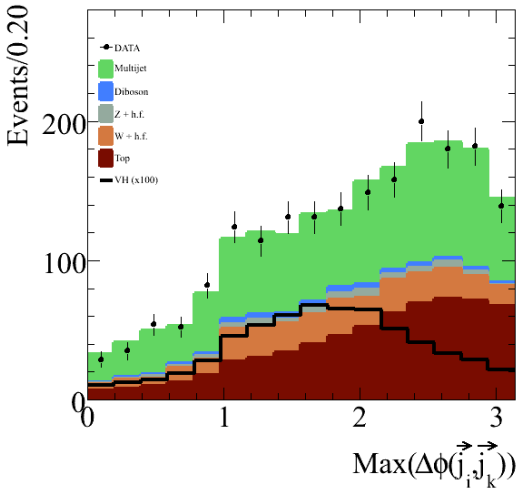
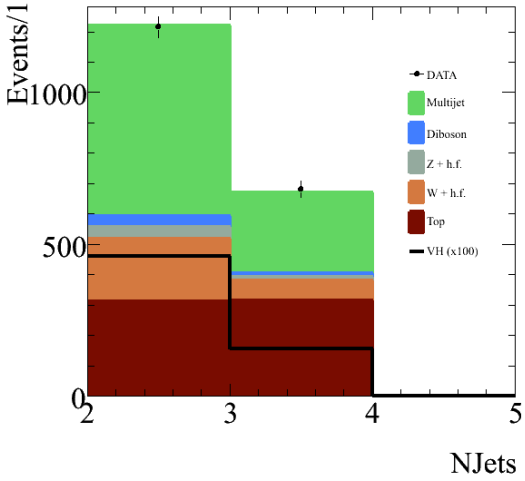




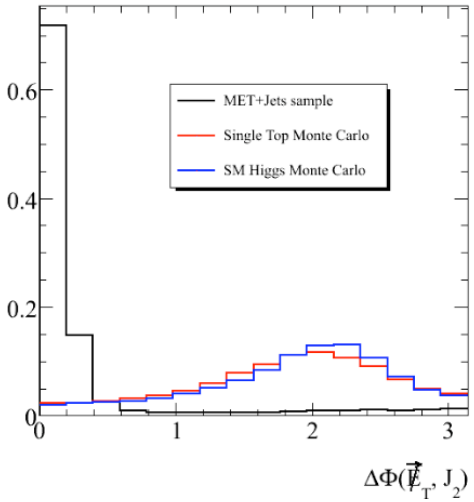


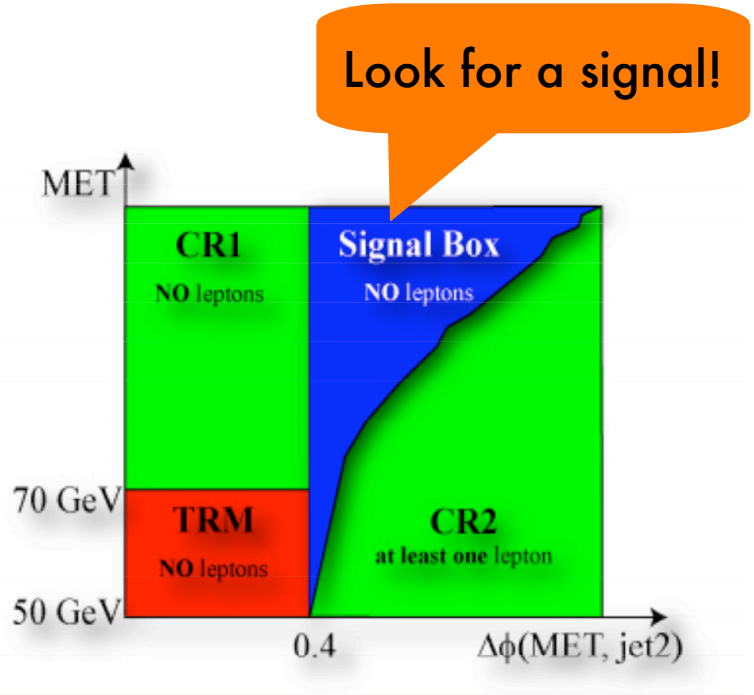
Check modeling in EWK-dominated control regions

"Multijet" modeling contains W+light flavor jet production

Basic MET+b-jets selection

- Veto presence of identified leptons to be orthogonal to lepton+MET+jets search
- Large MET>50GeV and 2 or 3 jets, where 3rd jet can come from
  - Initial/final state radiation
  - e or τ leptons reconstructed as jets
- Require MET misaligned with jets: rejects 1 order of magnitude of backgrounds, with loss of only about few % of signal



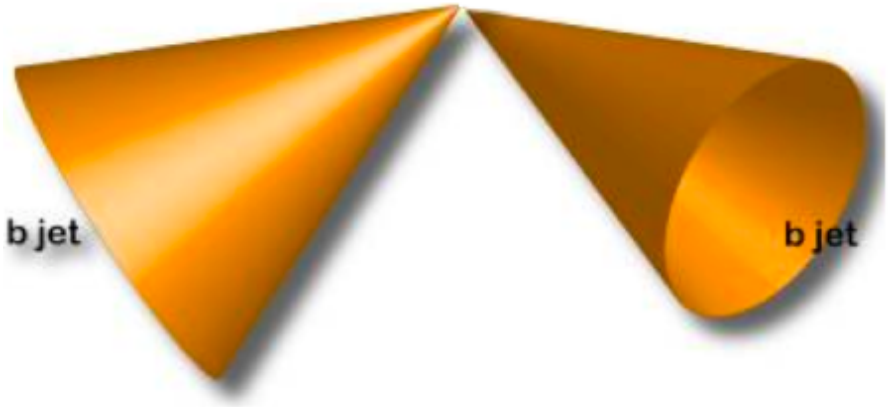


- Require b-tagging to reject QCD production of light flavor jets (improves S/B by 1-2 orders of magnitude)

A typical candidate event

You gotta be nuts!!!

Thou shalt see no signal



It looks a lot like QCD indeed…clearly a conservative approach won't work.
But how can you pretend to find the Higgs here, if you don't measure something first?

The single top search in MET + b-jets

Why measure σ(single top)?

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  - Is this Matrix 3x3 ?
    Is there a 4th generation ?
  - Does unitarity hold ?
    $|V_{ub}|^2 + |V_{cb}|^2 + |V_{tb}|^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 1$
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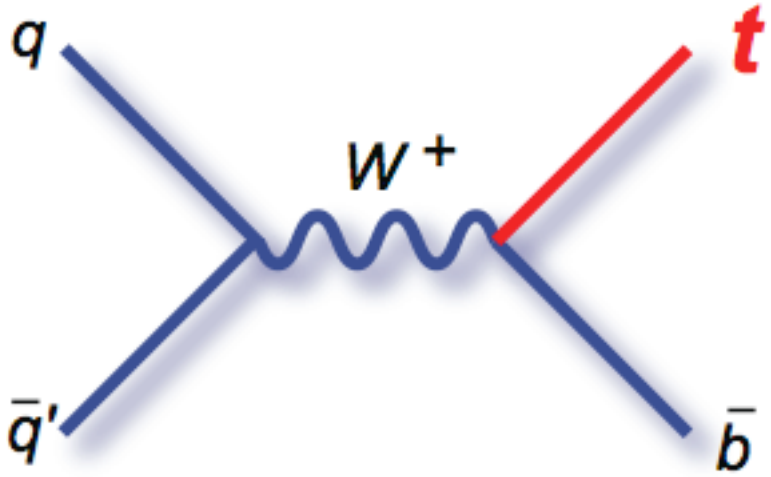
  - Probe new physics W'/FCNC



Direct measurements

$$\begin{pmatrix} d' \\ s' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

Ratio from Bs oscillations

Not precisely measured
Inferred using unitarity

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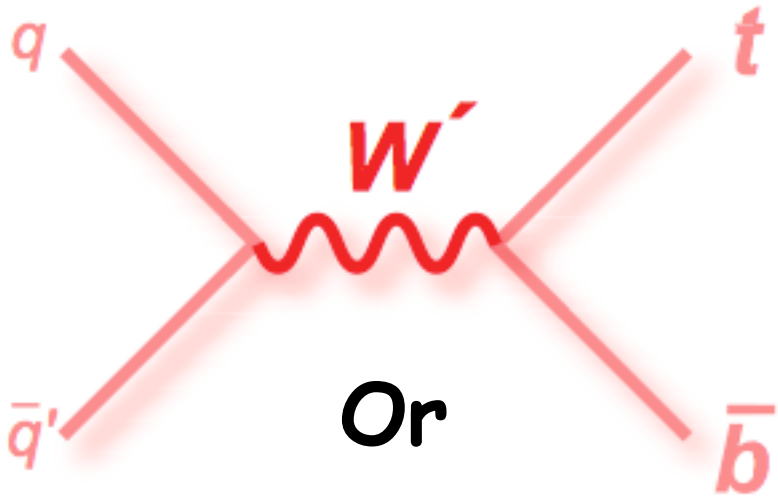


Or

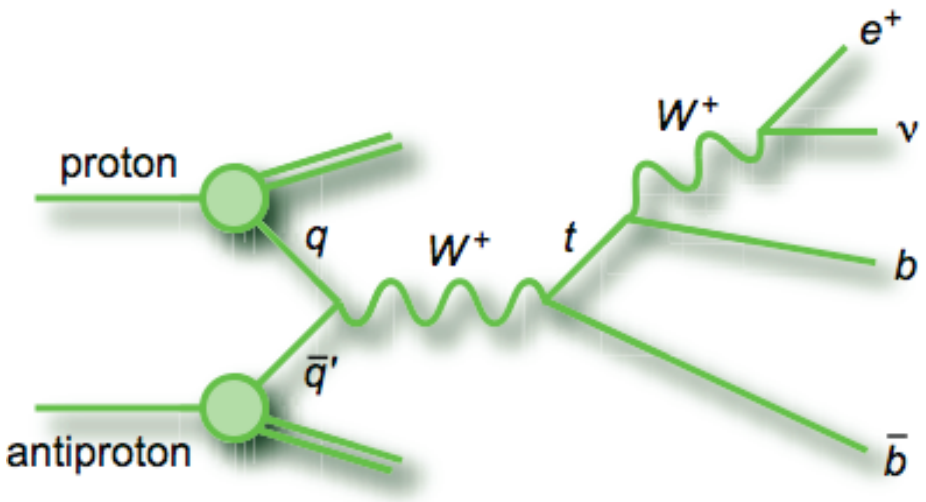
$$\begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} & V_{uX}? \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} & V_{cX}? \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} & V_{tX}? \\ V_{Yd}? & V_{Ys}? & V_{Yt}? & V_{YX}? \end{pmatrix}$$

Single top decays

Hard times to get the single top evidence and observation in leptonic mode.

Were we unlucky?

Or something else was hiding?

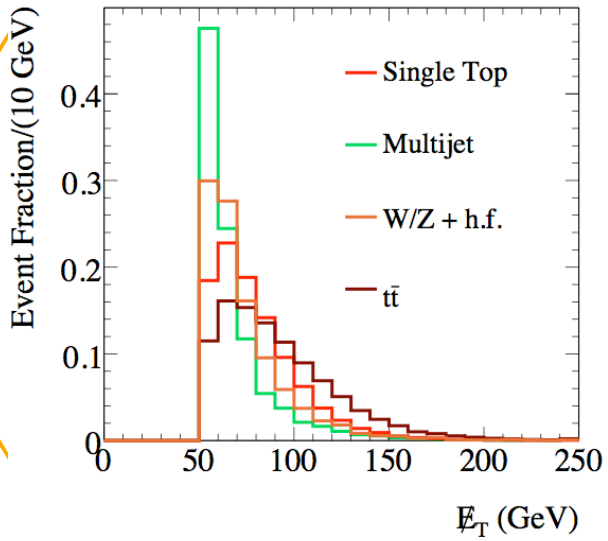


- Lepton+neutrino+b-jets
  - "decent" branching ratio
  - S/B ratio not awful
  - 4.8 sigma excess with 3.2 fb-1
- All jets
  - large BR, but:
  - huge QCD *physics* backgrounds.
  - No efficient trigger at CDF
  - Never attempted
- MET+b-jets *signature*
  - Recover lost leptons, but
  - large QCD *instrumental* background (see next slide)
  - no chance to identify top
  - Newly attempted!

Know your enemy

(Enemy=QCD=green histo)

First, hit in the face



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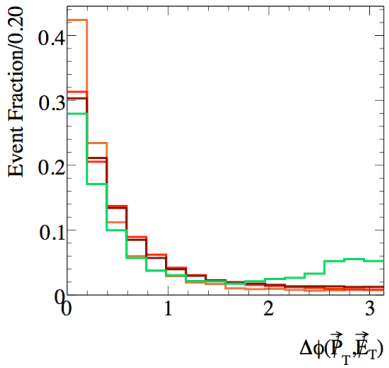

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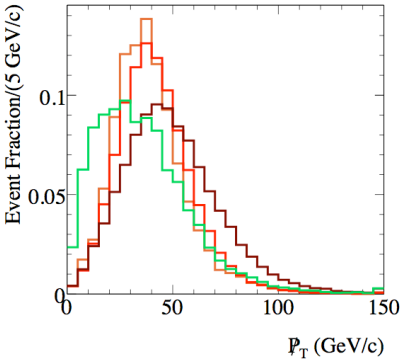

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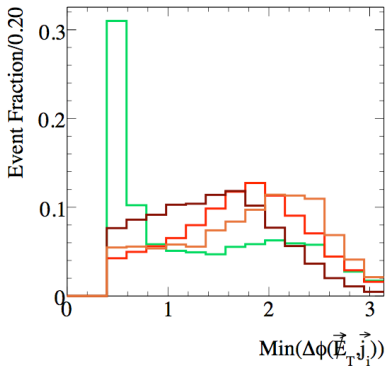

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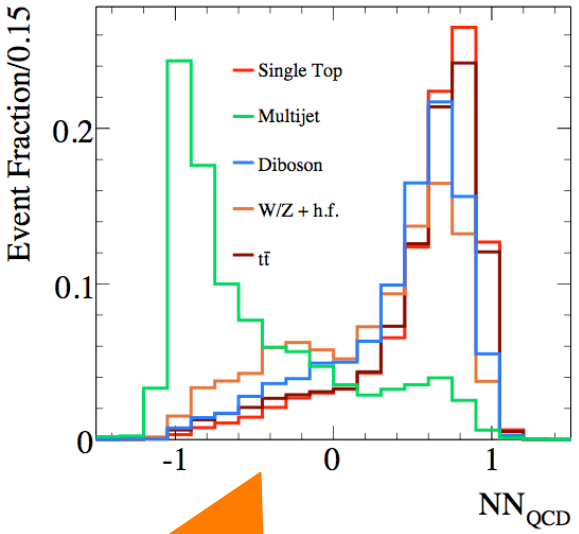


Finally, laugh at him!

Then, study anatomy to see where it hurts more

Very general approach to QCD-suppression in MET+jets (no heavy flavor required)

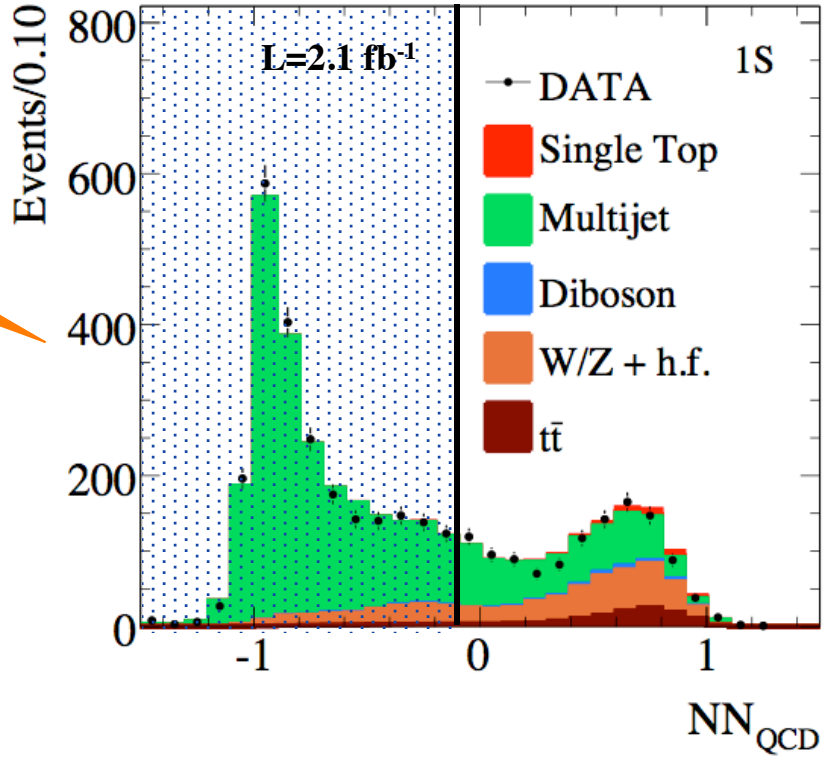
QCD-suppressing event selection

Choose a cut to isolate the signal

- Compromise between maximizing background rejection and keeping high signal acceptance (remember, it's a blind analysis)

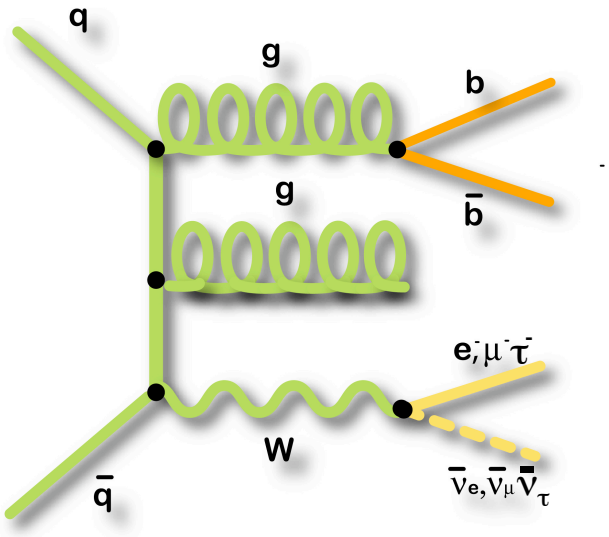
Showing NN output on events with 1 identified b-jet (b-tag)

Average over the three b-tagged subsamples



Qt.y	Preselection	After QCD cut	Difference
S	70	64	- 9%
B	4000	1400	- 65%
S/B	1/57	1/22	times 2.5!
S/√S+B	1.1	1.7	+ 50%

SM backgrounds producing ν's

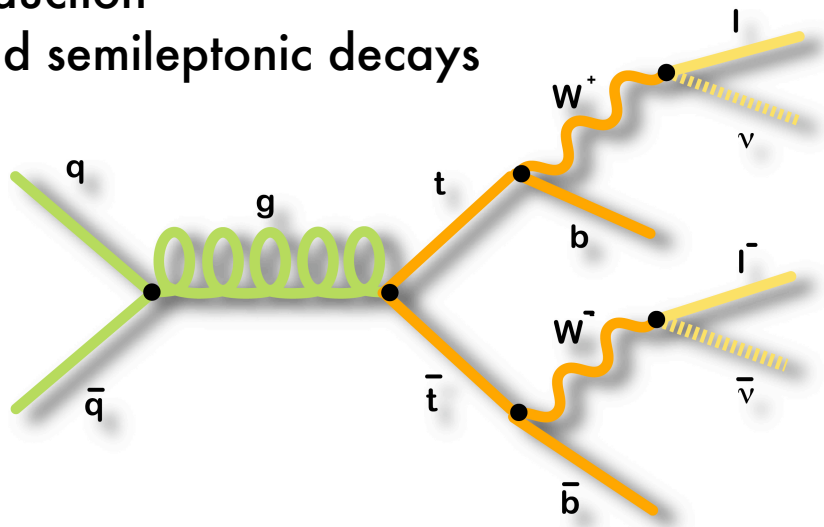


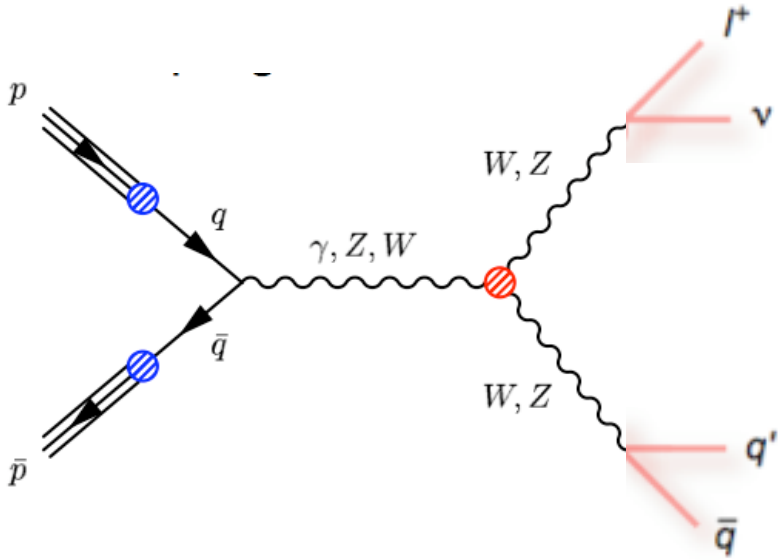
W/Z production in association with jets

Is the largest background after QCD

Top pair production

Dileptonic and semileptonic decays





Dibosons production with semileptonic decays WW/WZ/ZZ

b quarks from Z decay or light quarks misidentified as b-quarks

Single top acceptance table

only!

Process	ℓ + $\not\!\!E_T$ + jets	$\not\!\!E_T$ + jets
s-channel signal	77.3 ± 11.2	29.6 ± 3.7
t-channel signal	113.8 ± 16.9	34.5 ± 6.1
$W + HF$	1551.0 ± 472.3	304.4 ± 115.5
$t\bar{t}$	686.1 ± 99.4	184.5 ± 30.2
Z+jets	52.1 ± 8.0	128.6 ± 53.7
Diboson	118.4 ± 12.2	42.1 ± 6.7
QCD+mistags	777.9 ± 103.7	679.4 ± 27.9
Total prediction	3376.5 ± 504.9	1404 ± 172
Observed	3315	1411

- +33% acceptance, mostly coming from taus
- Practically same S/B ratio as in l+MET+jets
- but no ID'ed leptons → no reconstructed resonance

Table from Phys. Rev. Lett. 103, 092002 (2009)

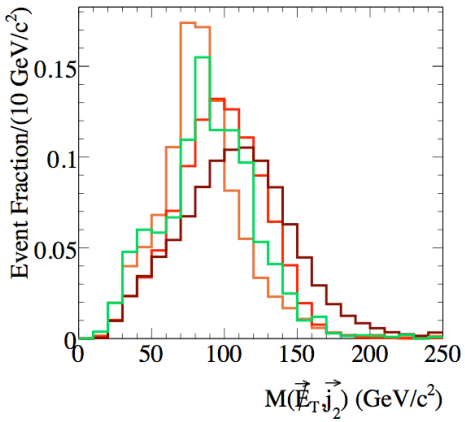
MET + b-jets systematics

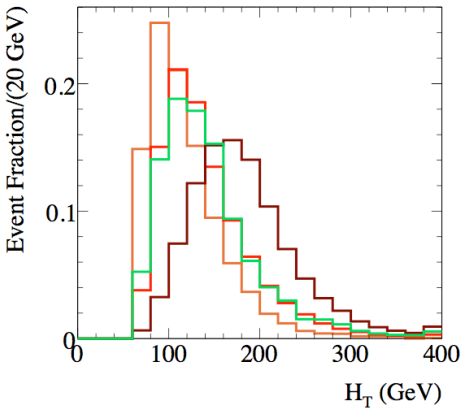
Uncertainty on backgrounds 3 times larger than signal!

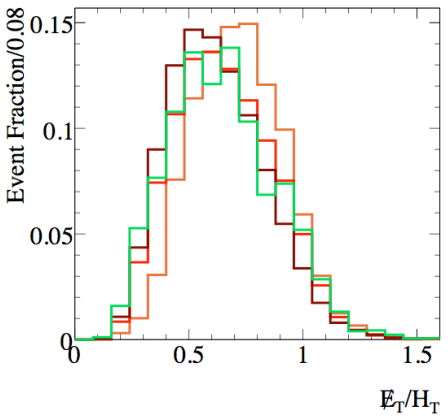
Systematic source	Rate	Shape	Comment
Top quark pair cross section	$\pm$ 12%	-	
W/Z + h.f. cross section	$\pm$ 40%	-	
Diboson cross section	$\pm$ 11%	-	
Luminosity	6%	-	Not for QCD multijet
Trigger efficiency	$< 2.6\%$	X	
B tagging scale factors	4.3% to 12%	-	
Lepton Veto	2%	-	
ISR/FSR	-4.5% ... +16%	X	Only for top quark processes
JES	-14% ... +23%	X	
PDF	$\pm$1% ... $\pm$ 2%	X	Shape for signal only
QCD multijet model	4.5% ... 13%	X	
Background scaling	2%	-	
Signal cross section	$\pm$ 12%	-	Only for p-value and V_{tb} computation
Top quark mass dependence	-16% ... +7.5%	X	

Let's see whether we have some residual handles

Toward the signal







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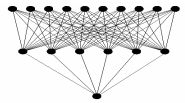

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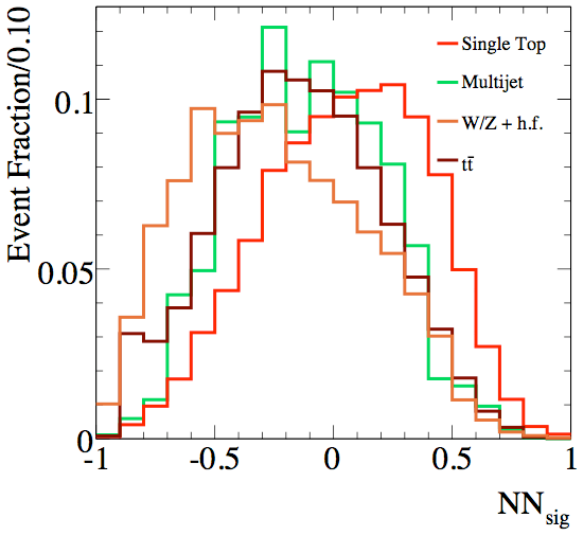

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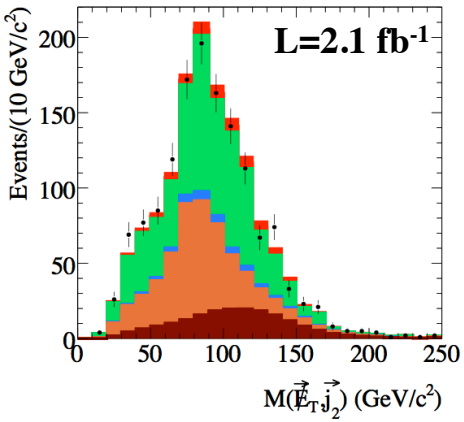

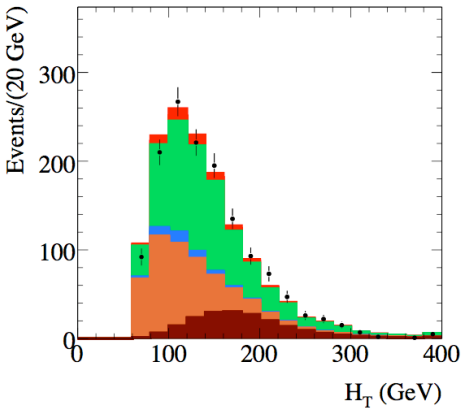

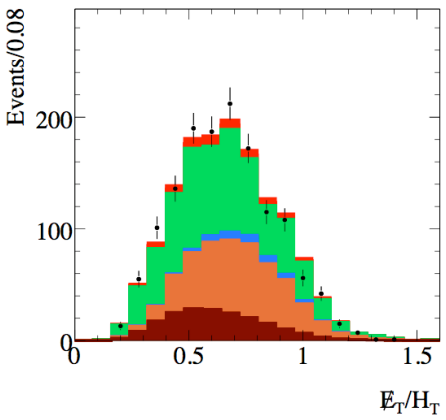

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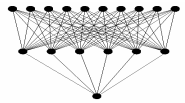

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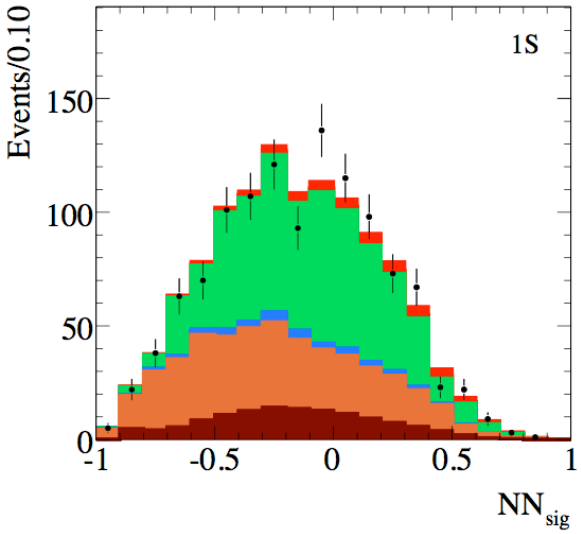

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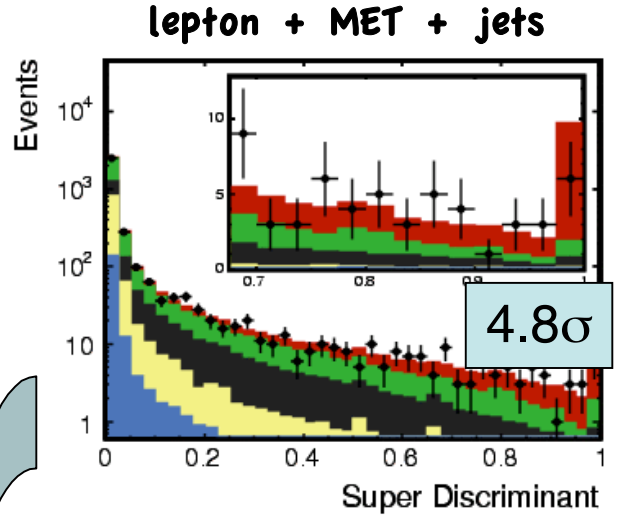

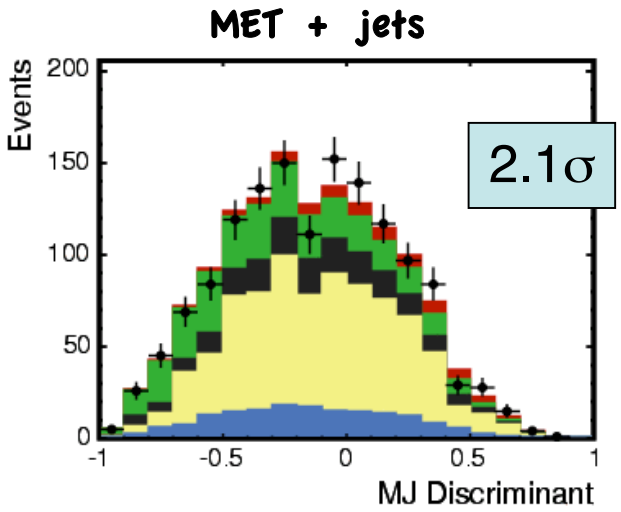

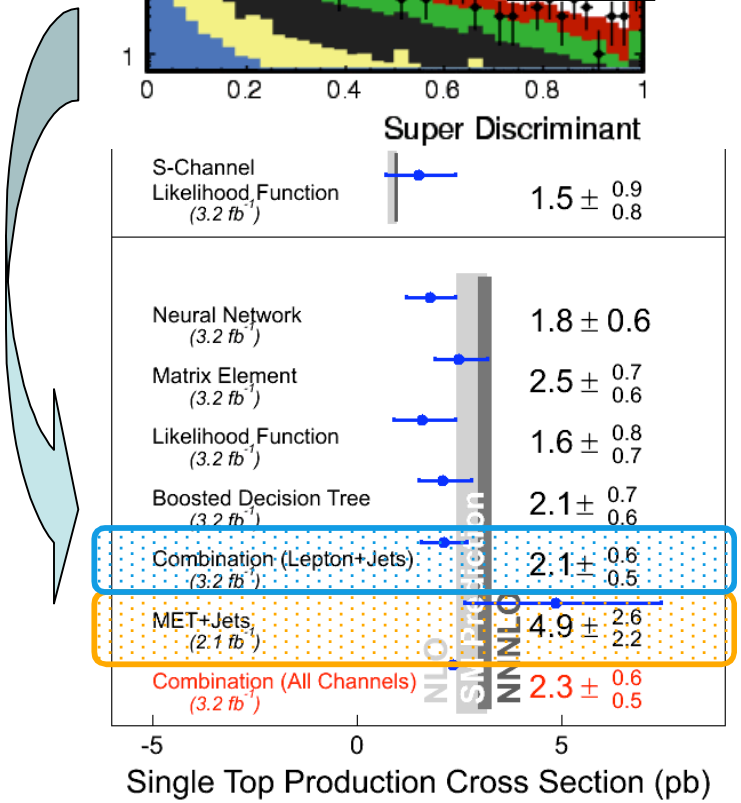

Highly correlated analyses (identical dataset)
historically observed deficit of signal

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Completely independent analysis

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5σ Observation!

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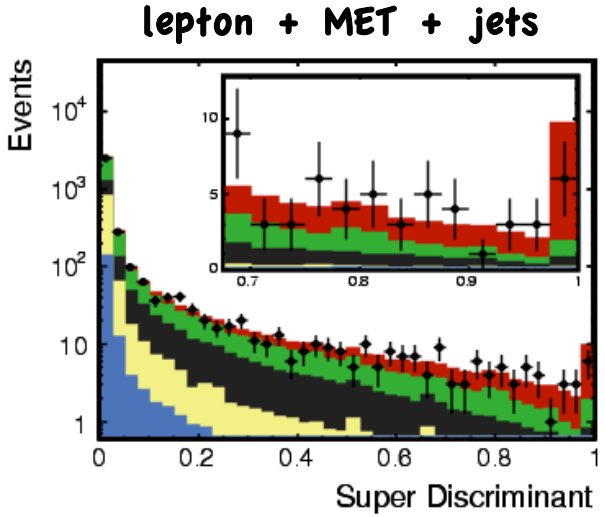
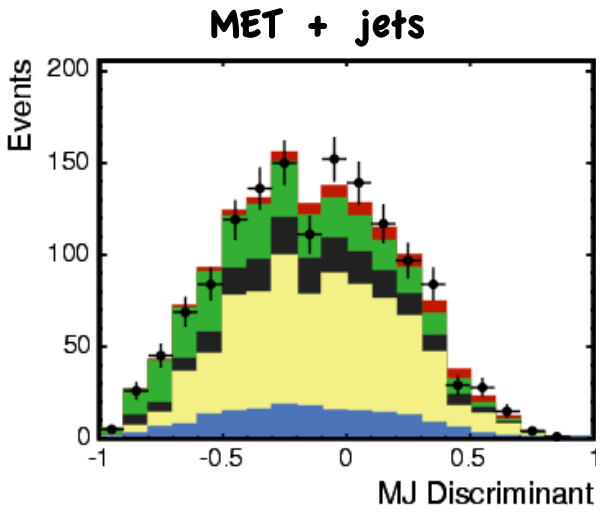
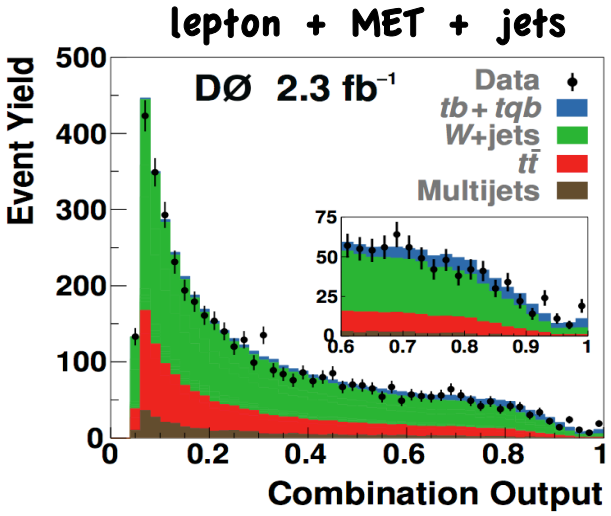
Tev results and combination

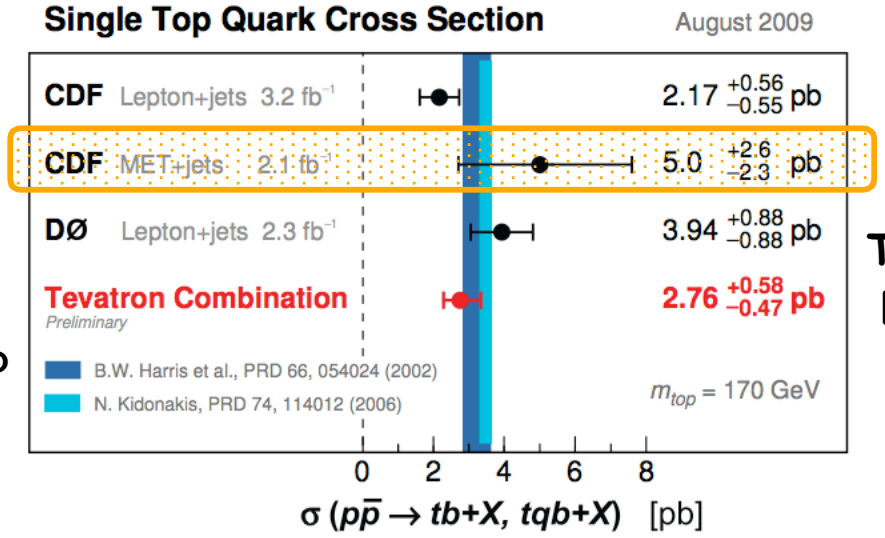






Important to have a result in a different signature (and in both experiments) to increase confidence

Crucial to combine them to increase precision



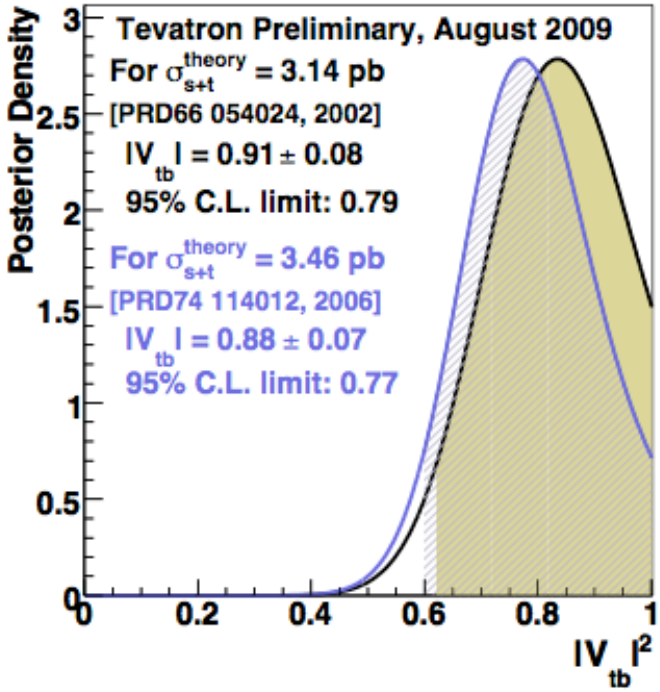
This measurement will likely stand long into the LHC era!

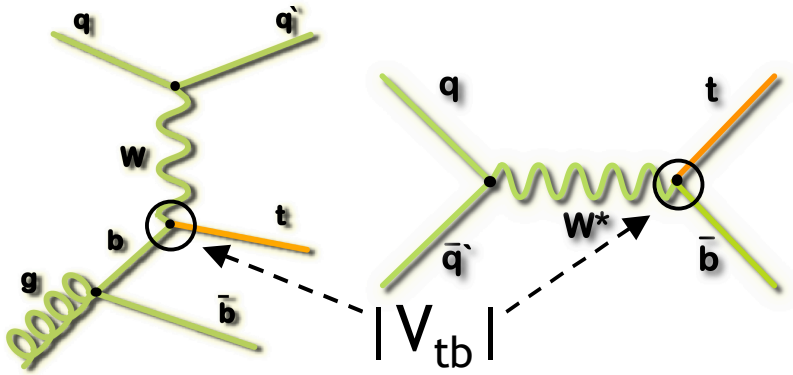
20% better than single experiment determination

Direct $|V_{tb}|$ Measurement

- Using cross section result measure $|V_{tb}|$
- Assume Standard Model (V-A) coupling and $|V_{tb}| >> |V_{ts}|, |V_{td}|$ (from BR(t →Wb) measurements)

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





Tevatron combined fit:

$|V_{tb}|$>0.79 at 95% C.L.

$|V_{tb}|$= 0.91 ± 0.08 (exp+theor)

Combination increases precision from 13% to 9% on V_{tb}

Experimental uncertainty comparable to theoretical uncertainty

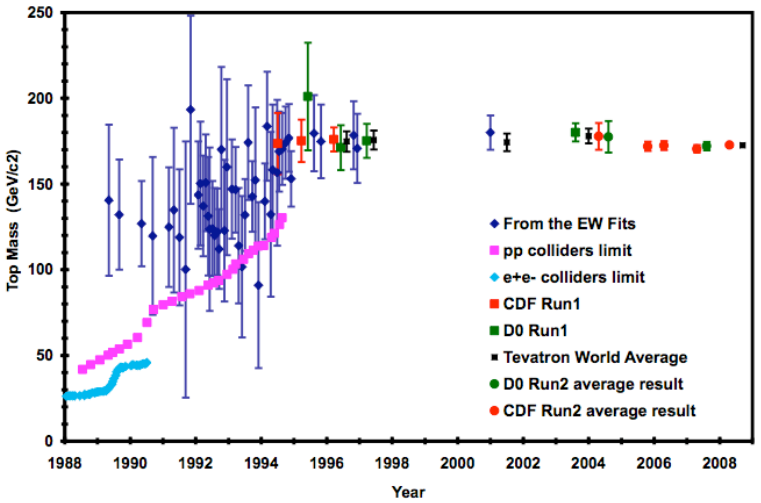
The Higgs search in MET+b-jets

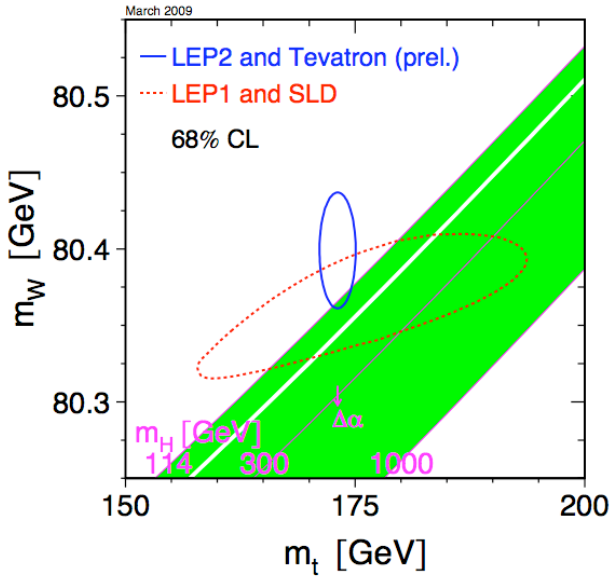
Now the Higgs: where to look?

Top quark mass was found in agreement with prediciton from fits to EWK parameters
Now use m_{top} and more to point us to the Higgs!

Tevatron's results:
m_{top} = **173.1 ± 1.3 GeV** (arXiv:hep-ex/0903.2503v1)
m_W = **80.399 ± 0.025 GeV**
which in the EWK fit give the following predictions

- $m_H = 90^{+36}_{-27}$ **GeV** @ 68 % CL
- m_H < **163 GeV** @ 95 % CL

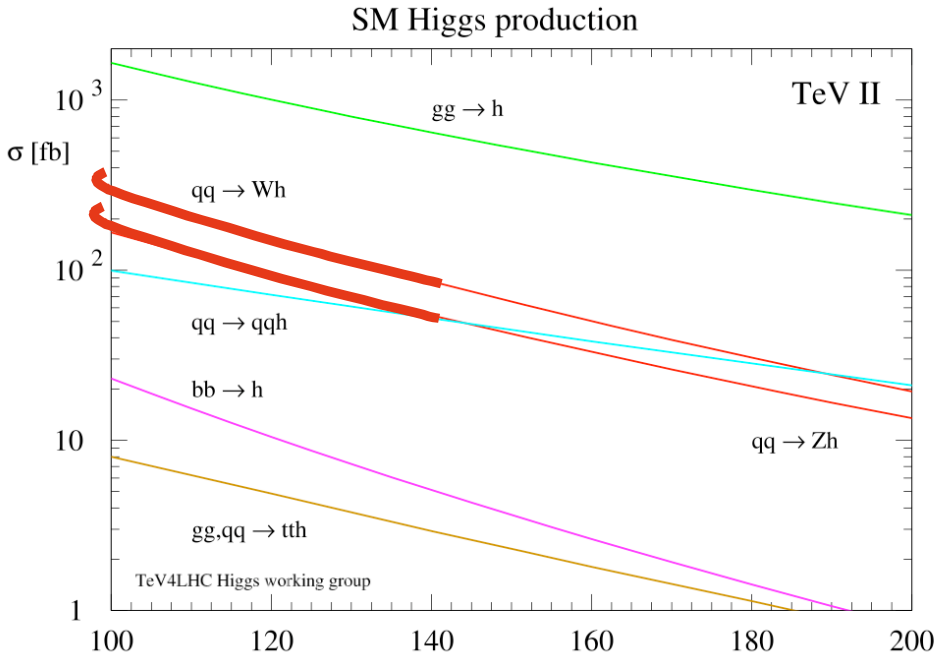




LEP directly searched the existence of the Higgs boson and found: m_H > **114.4 GeV** @ 95% CL

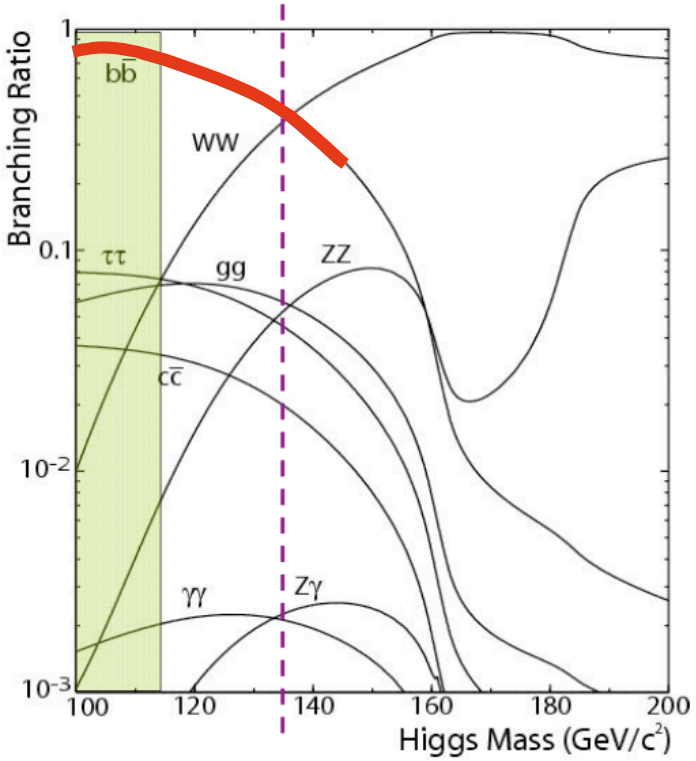
Low mass is SM favored region…
…*and where the MET+b-jets signature matters!*

Higgs strategy at the Tevatron



Higgs production cross section at the Tevatron:

- gg→H highest production x-sec
- W/Z+H about a order of magnitude smaller



Low mass $m_H < 135$GeV:

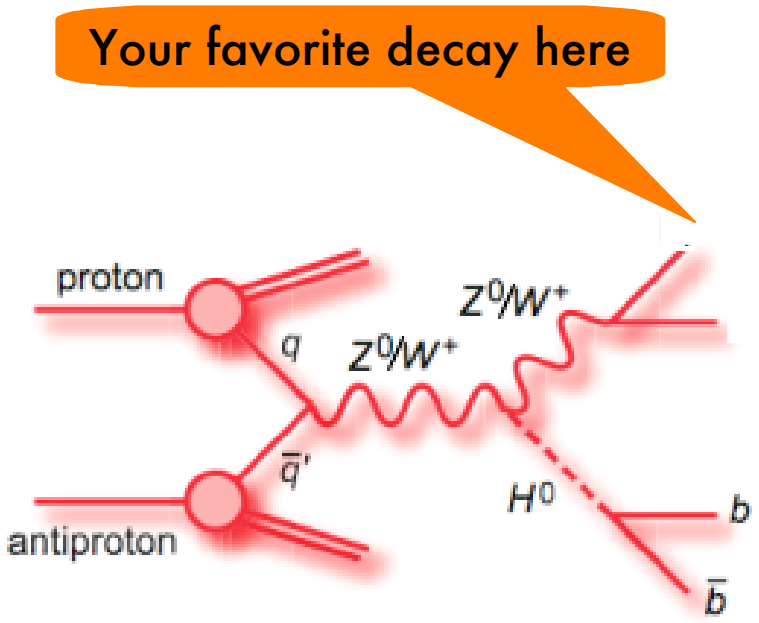
BR(H→bb) dominates:

gg → H → bb too challenging! QCD irreducible

Look at HV evts, use W/Z signatures to increase S/B

WH/ZH decays

- Dileptonic ZH → ll $b\bar{b}$
  cleanest channel and fully reconstructed final state - *BUT* lowest σXBR
- Lepton+Jets WH → lν $b\bar{b}$
  good S/B ratio, limited lepton coverage
- All hadronic WH/ZH → qq $b\bar{b}$
  challenging channel: highest BR *BUT* huge QCD *physics* backgrounds (hard to reduce)
- Missing Energy plus jets ZH → $\nu\bar{\nu}$ $b\bar{b}$
  here not just a "recovery" signature (see next slide), huge QCD *instrumental* background



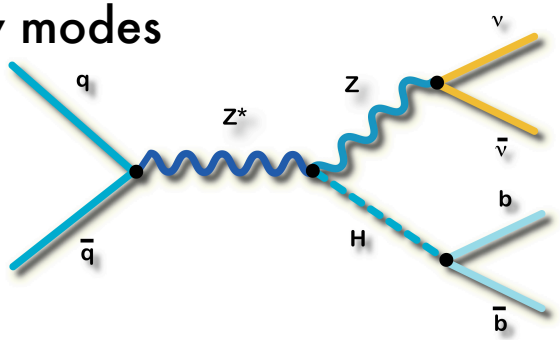
Single channels not sensitive to Higgs

Exclusion can be achieved by combination of DEDICATED analysis for EACH channels from BOTH experiments!

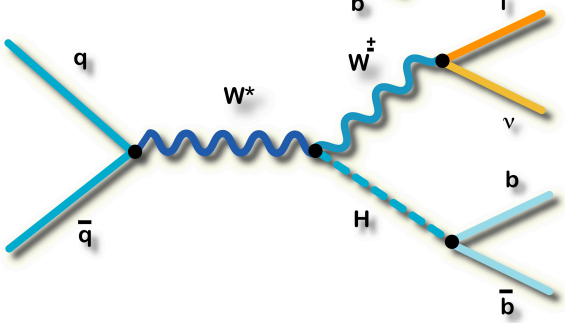
ZH/WH→ missing E_T +b-jets

Same preselection same as single top search in MET+b-jets.
Acceptance to HV production through H → $b\bar{b}$ decay and many different vector boson decay modes

ZH→ $\nu\bar{\nu}$ $b\bar{b}$



WH→l$\nu b\bar{b}$



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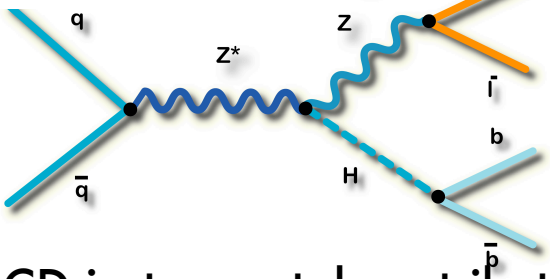

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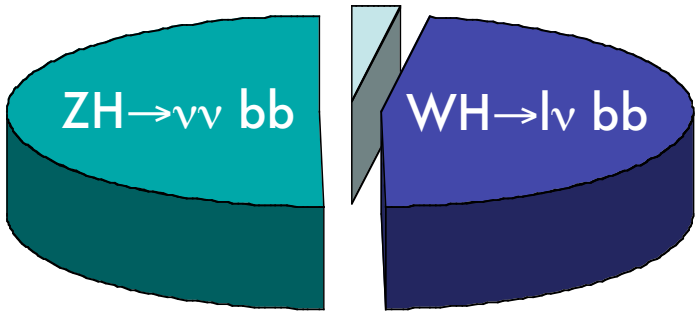
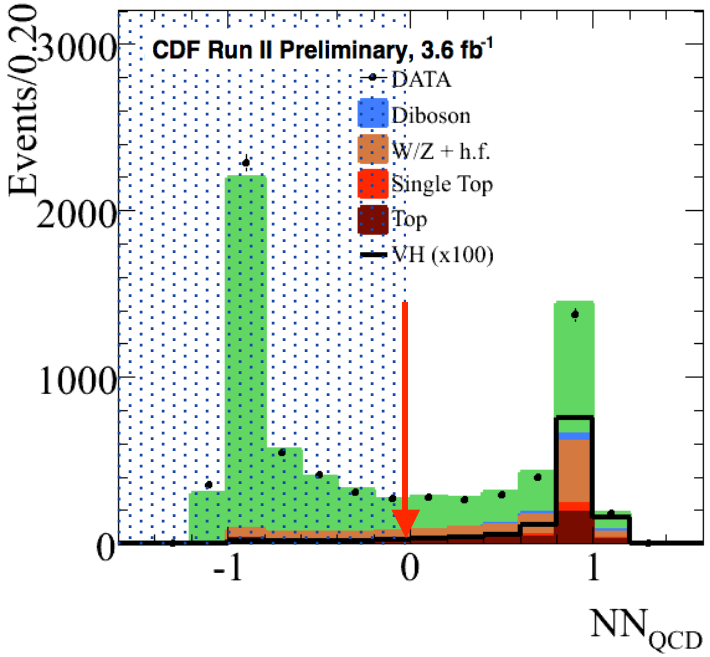


👎 no identified leptons→QCD instrumental contribution huge!(mismeasured jets=MET)
👍 generic signature →large number of signal events!

Final Higgs event selection

- Use 3.6fb^{-1} of recorded data here
- slightly different QCD killer NN
  - maximize acceptance almost 4 evts/fb-1



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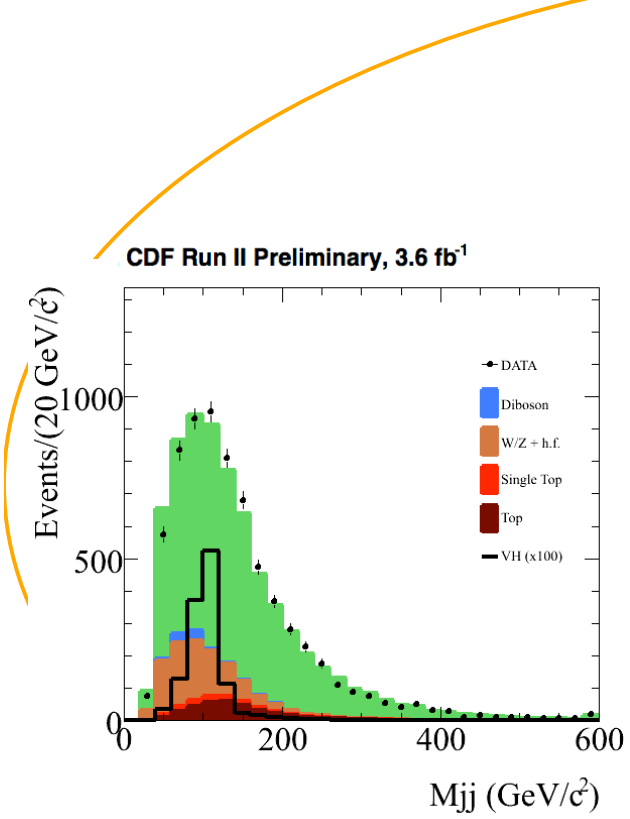
Split in high and low significance S/√B

- 40% improvement by splitting in high and low S/√B regions
- 10% improvement by including the worst S/√B region (1 b-tagged jet)

b-tags	N Higgs evts (@115GeV)	N bck evts	S/√B
All	12.4	2930	0.23
1 SecVTX	6.7	2500	0.13
1 SecVTX +1 JetProb	2.6	260	0.16
2 SecVTX	3.1	170	0.24
Quadrature sum of three categories			0.32

Multivariate discriminant

Similar challenges to single top search: but here we do reconstruct the signal resonance so a lot more to gain!



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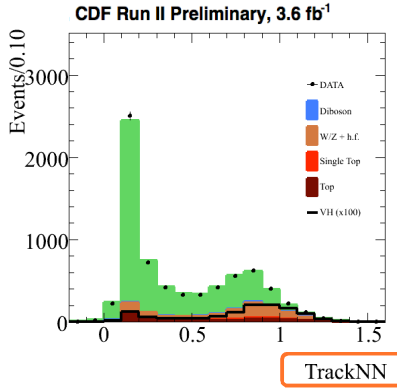

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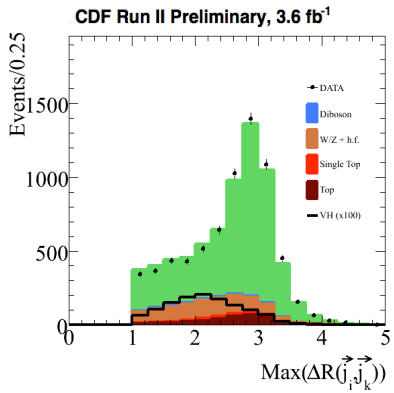

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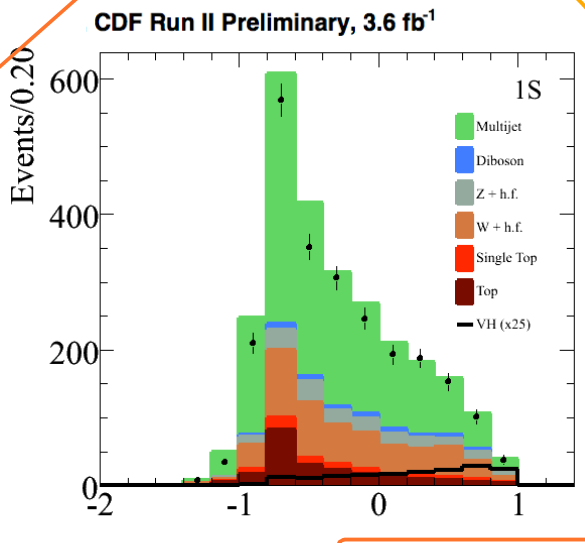


NN Discriminant

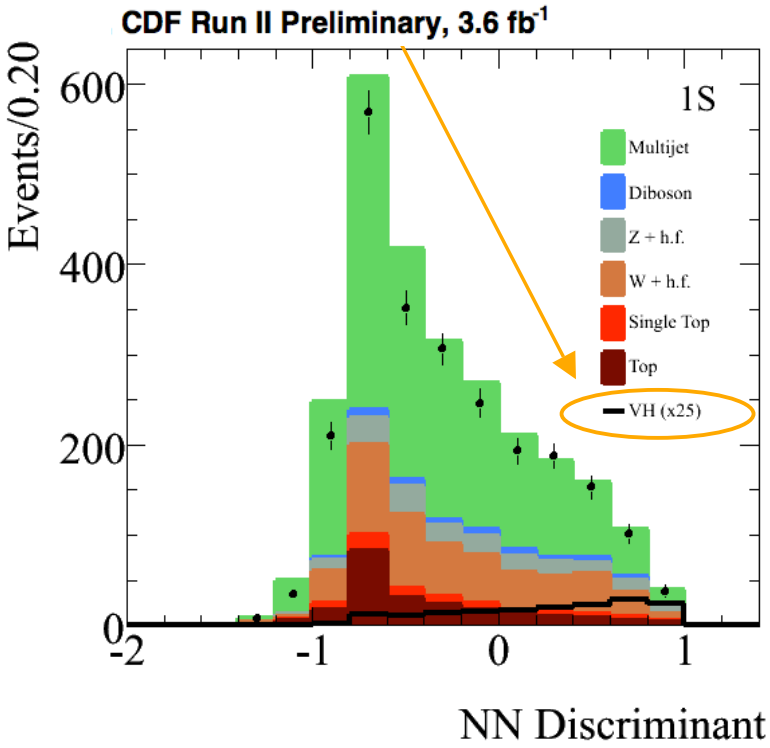
Convolution of many track-related observables, discriminate residual instrumental QCD

more

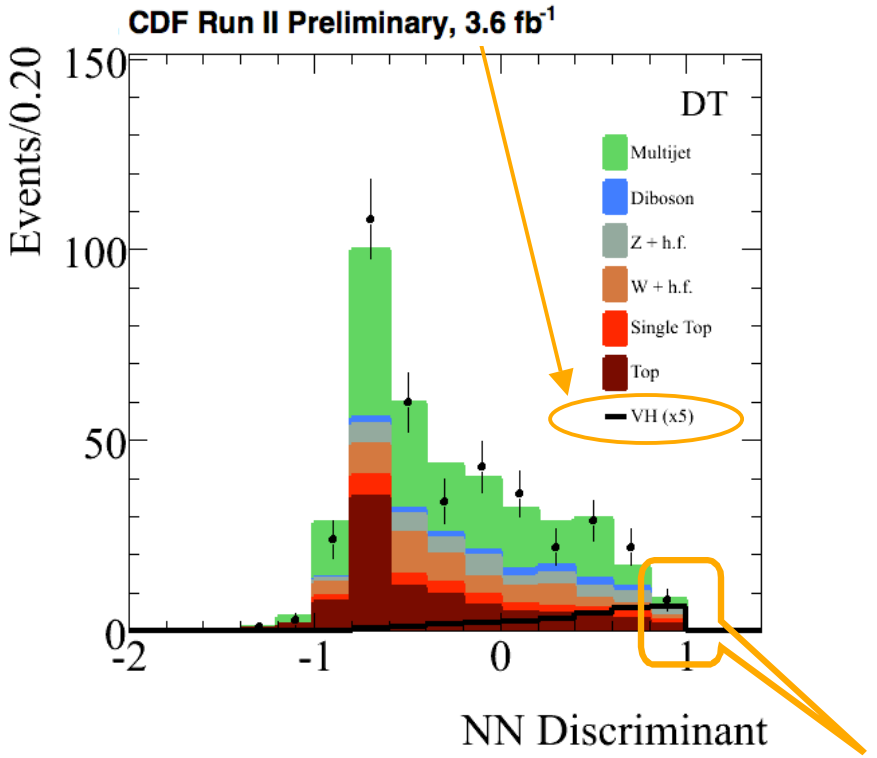
Look for signal!

A close look at the discriminant

Higgs magnified X 25



Higgs magnified X 5

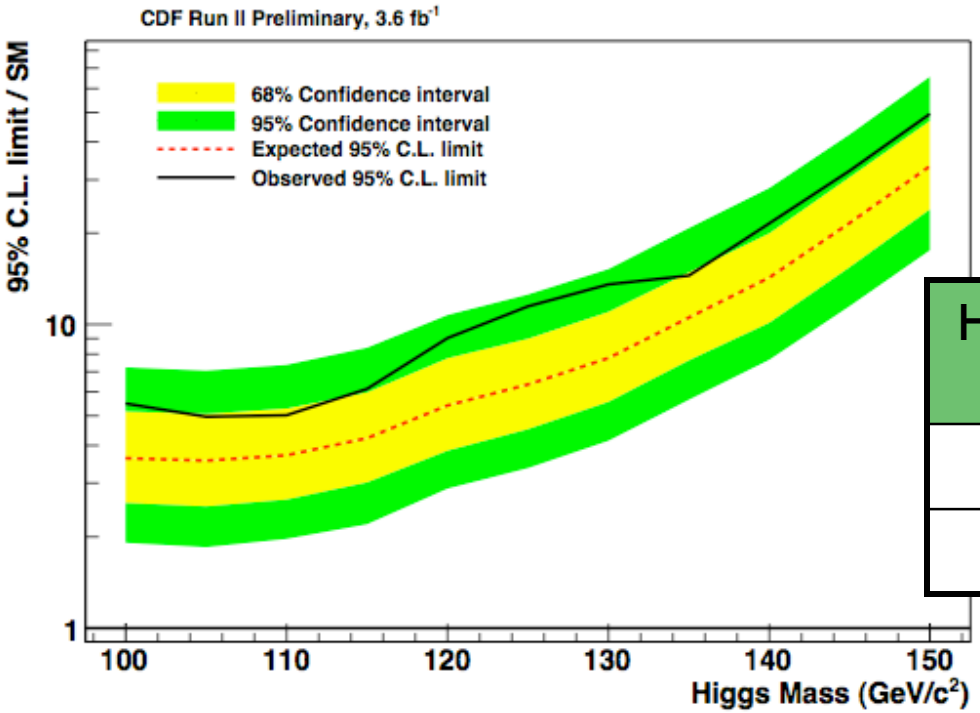


Analysis	ll+jets	l+MET+jet	MET+jets
S (ev/fb^{-1})	.7	3.8	3.5
S/B	1/50 - 1/250	1/70 - 1/400	1/50 - 1/350

S/B ratio 1/6 in most sensitive bin
We expect 1.4 Higgs events here
(assuming M_H=115)

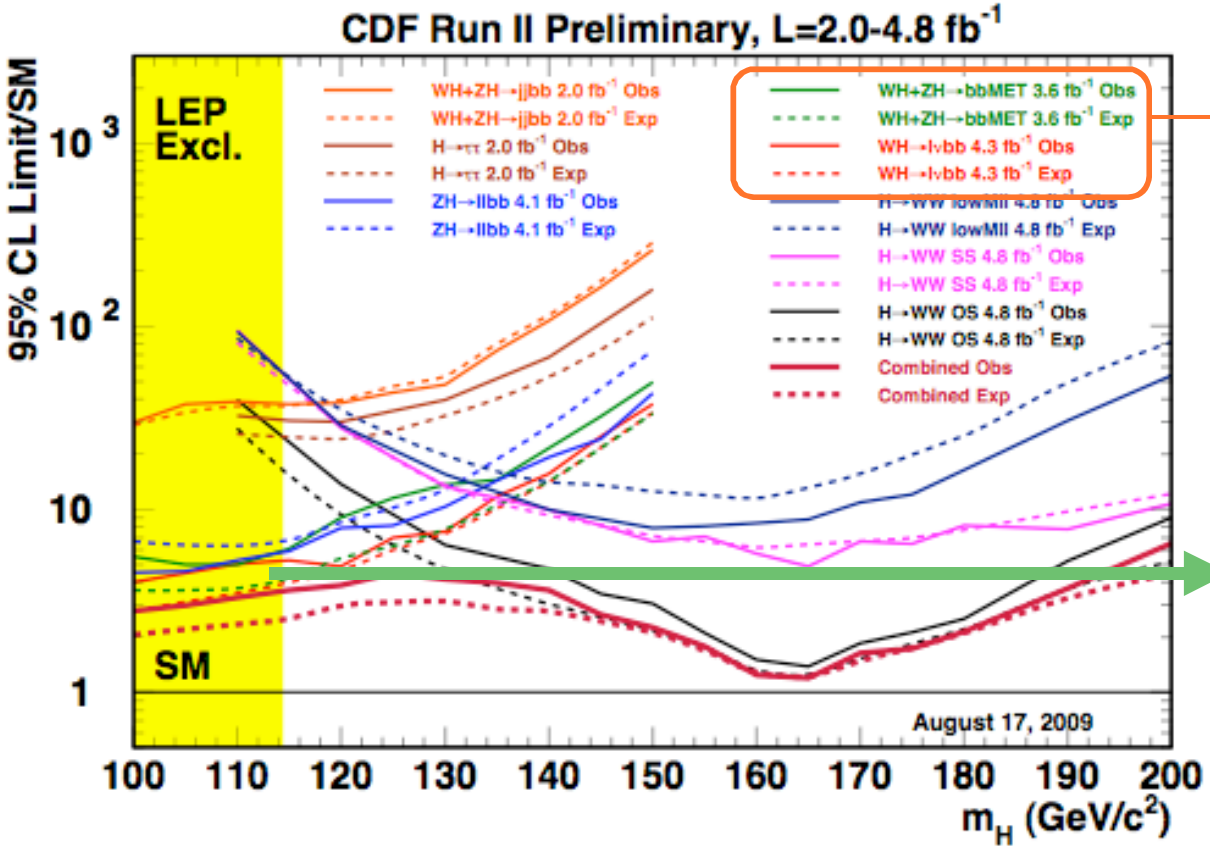
Final results

- Do a binned likelihood scan of the 3 NN discriminant distributions
  - In absence of an excess, report the 95% CL limit on the cross section
  - For simplicity, quote number as X times the SM Higgs cross section
  - With an expected limit of 4.2 the SM xsec, this search is the *most sensitive low mass Higgs search* at the Tevatron, comparable to the CDF WH to lνbb search
  - Search *twice as sensitive* as the previosly published one (per fb^{-1})



Higgs mass (GeV)	105	115	125	135
Exp	3.6	4.2	6.3	11
Obs	5.0	6.1	11.5	15

How it fits in the CDF combination



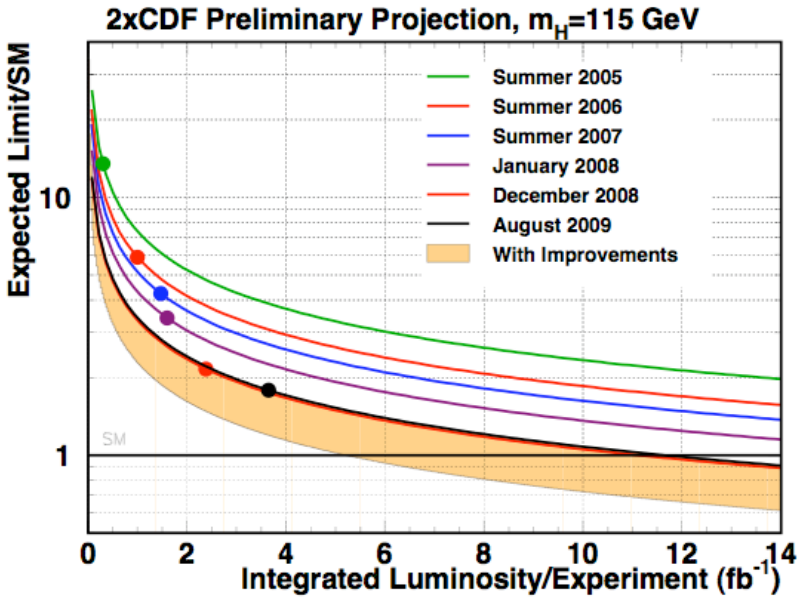
Same analyses techniques used for single top observation

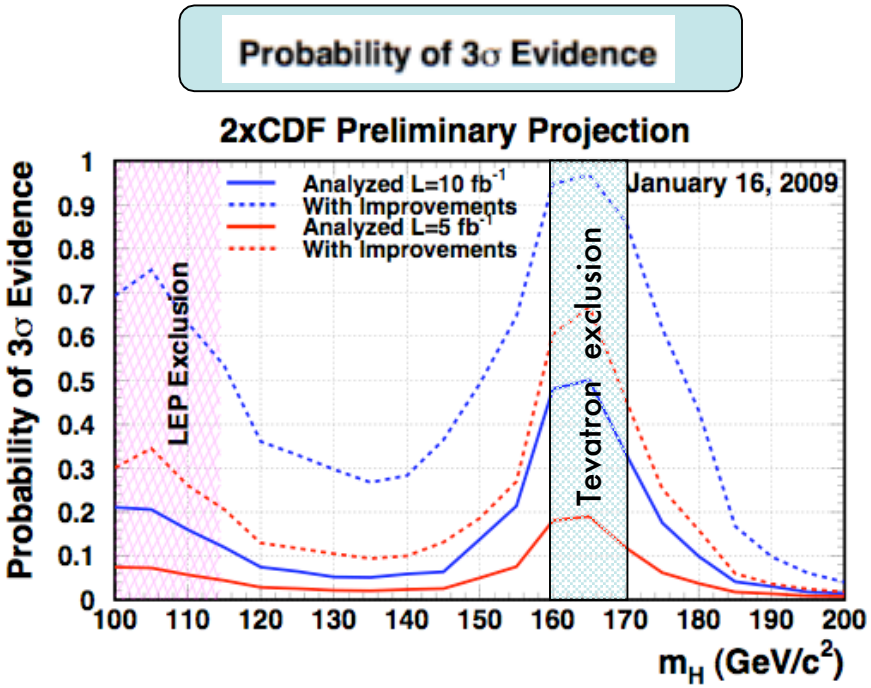
Below 3 times the SM expectation everywhere

As mentioned earlier..

- No single analysis at low mass sensitive to Higgs
- BUT! Combination provides a x2 improvement with respect to to single best analysis

Tevatron future at low mass





- Experiments are continuously improving analysis technique:
  - Summer 07 projection expect a improvements between 1.5 to 2.25 to existing sensitivity
  - increased indeed by a factor of 1.5 last year: equivalent of using more than double luminosity
  - More/new ideas currently being tested to increase further sensitivity

Conclusions

MET+b-jets is a very **hard signature at hadron colliders.**

Infact, you need to:

- contantly control - and evolve! - MET,jets, and the way you trigger data acquisition on them
- Model QCD accurately
- fight QCD relentlessly
- Be adventorous
- **Work with great people!!!**

But there is a lot of satisfaction to all this:

- MET+b-jets contributed to single top observation
- MET+b-jets golden mode to search for low mass Higgs