

Search for W' boson in Top quark decay using the DØ experiment

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Introduction

W' and Z' bosons typically arise in SM extensions with additional gauge symmetry groups.

Direct search: (typically assume SM strength coupling; suppressed $W' \rightarrow WZ$ decays, valid for left and right-handed interactions; assume light/stable right-handed neutrino)

Leptonic decay: $p \bar{p} \rightarrow W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$ $M_{W'} > 786 \text{ GeV}$ (CDF Run1)

Quark decay: $p \bar{p} \rightarrow W' \rightarrow q q'$ $M_{W'} < 300 \text{ GeV}$ (CDF Run1)
 $M_{W'} > 420 \text{ GeV}$

Quark decay, leptonic decay not allowed:

$p \bar{p} \rightarrow W' \rightarrow q q'$ $M_{W'} > 800 \text{ GeV}$ (D0 Run1)

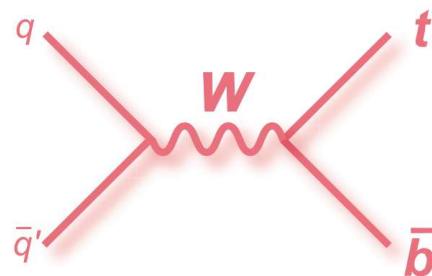
$p \bar{p} \rightarrow W' \rightarrow t q$ $M_{W'} > 566 \text{ GeV}$ (CDF Run1)
(Right-handed interactions only)

Indirect search: Model dependent limits, depend on interference with SM W boson

W' production and decay

We investigate the following models:

Model 1 (W'_L): SM-like left-handed coupling
Interference with SM process:



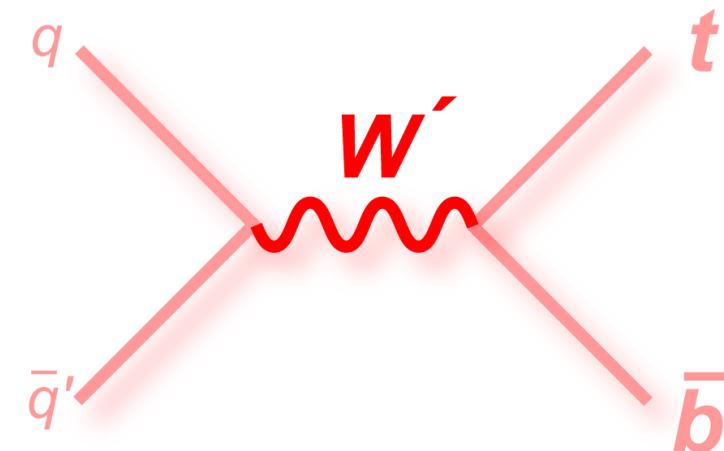
$$\sigma_{SM} = 0.88 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{t\bar{b}} < 6.4 \text{ pb} \quad (\text{D}\emptyset)$$

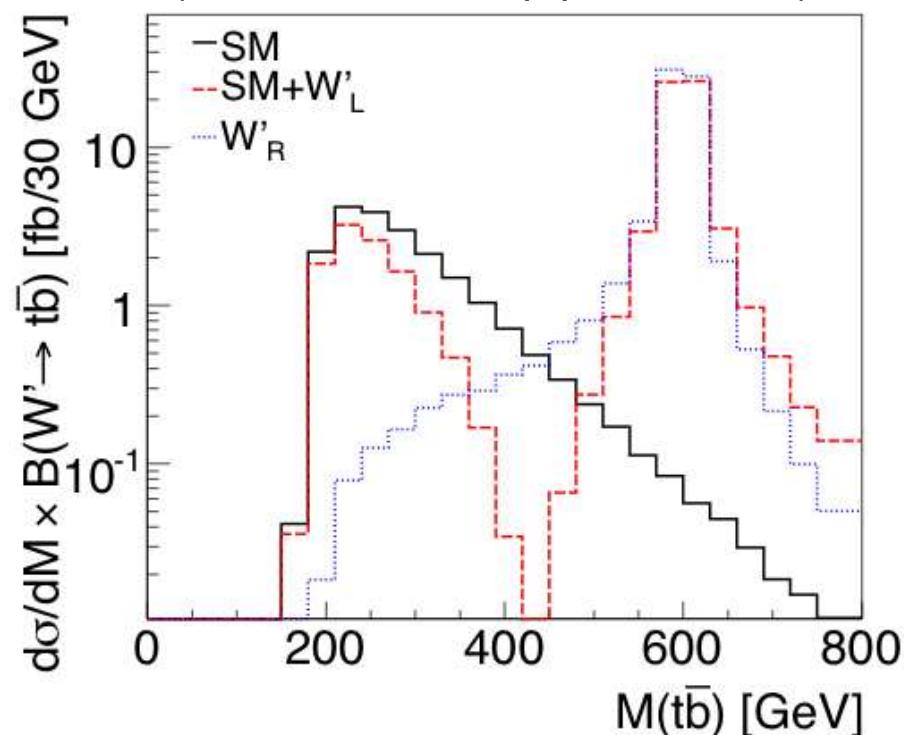
$$\sigma_{t\bar{b}} < 13.6 \text{ pb} \quad (\text{CDF})$$

Model 2 (W'_R): Right-handed coupling
Lepton and quark decays allowed

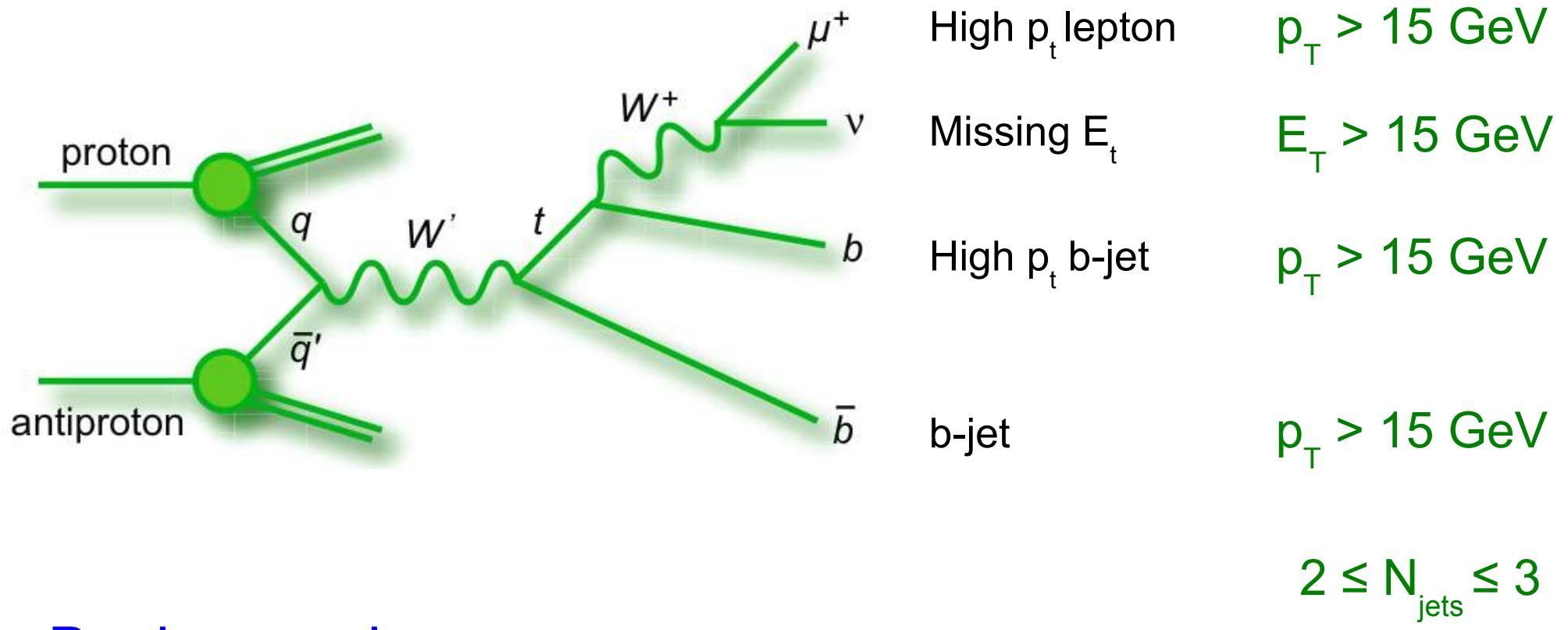
Model 3 (W'_R): Right-handed coupling
Only quark decays allowed



(E. Boos et al., hep-ph/0610080)



Event signatures



Backgrounds:

- W/Z + jets production
- multi-jet events (mis-reconstructed lepton)
- top pair production
- WW, WZ
- SM t-channel single top production

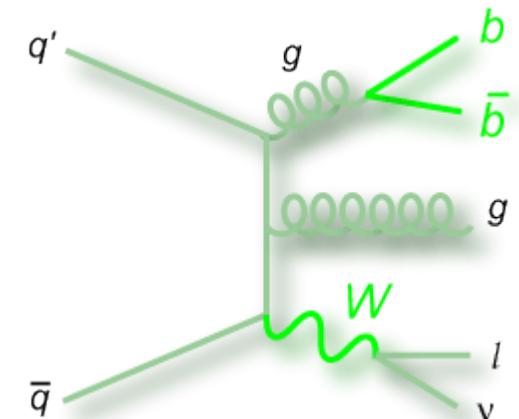
Data Analysis Strategy

- Use 230 pb^{-1} of DØ Run II data (August 2002-March 2004)
- Use same selection as DØ search for single top quark
(Phys. Lett. B {622}, 265, 2005)
 - Separate data into independent sets based on
 - lepton flavour (electron,muon)
 - b-tag multiplicity (single tagged, double tagged)
 - look for displaced vertex to identify b-jets (SVT)
- Study invariant mass of all reconstructed final state objects
- Perform binned likelihood analysis of the invariant mass distribution
- Derive W' boson mass constraints for different models

Background estimate

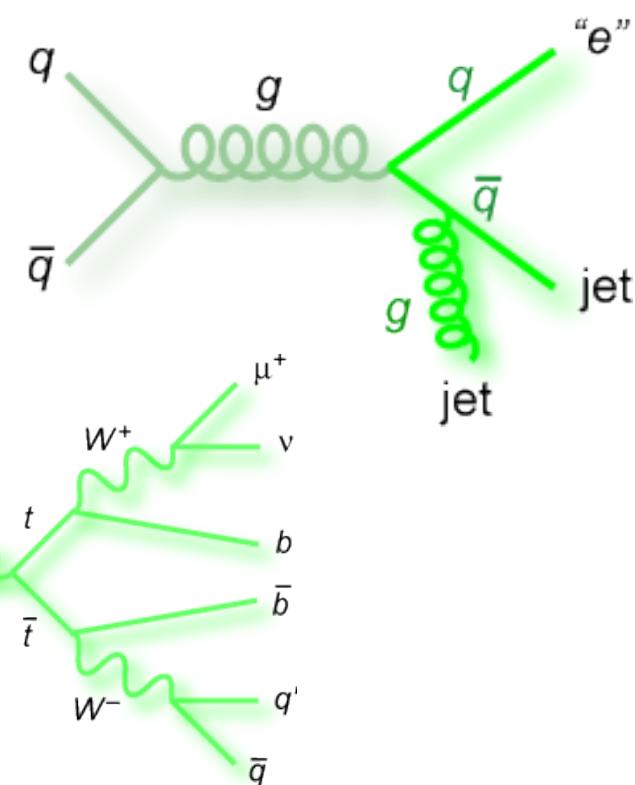
■ W/Z+jets production (real-lepton)

- Wjj, Wbb, Zjj, Zbb
- Estimated from data and MC
 - Shape and Heavy Flavor fraction from MC
 - Normalization: pre-tagged sample
- ~ 45-70%



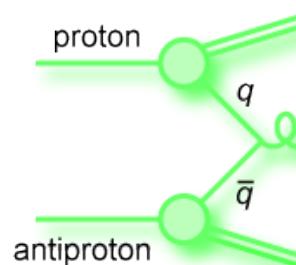
■ Mis-reconstructed multi-jet events (fake-lepton)

- Jet mis-identified as lepton
- Semi-leptonic decay of HF jets (bb)
- Estimated from data
- ~ 2-15%



■ Top pair production

- Contributions from the l+jets channel
- Estimated from MC (ALPGEN)
- ~ 15-50%



W' boson simulation

- CompHEP 4.4.3 matrix element generator
- Interference between SM single top and W'_L boson is taken into account in CompHEP
- W' boson signal normalized to the NLO cross-section
(Z. Sullivan, Phys. Rev. D66 (2002) 075011)

W' mass [GeV]	Cross section $\times B(W' \rightarrow t\bar{b})$ [pb]		
	SM+ W'_L	W'_R ($\rightarrow l$ or q)	W'_R ($\rightarrow q$ only)
600	2.17	2.10	2.79
650	1.43	1.25	1.65
700	1.03	0.74	0.97
750	0.76	0.44	0.57
800	0.65	0.26	0.34

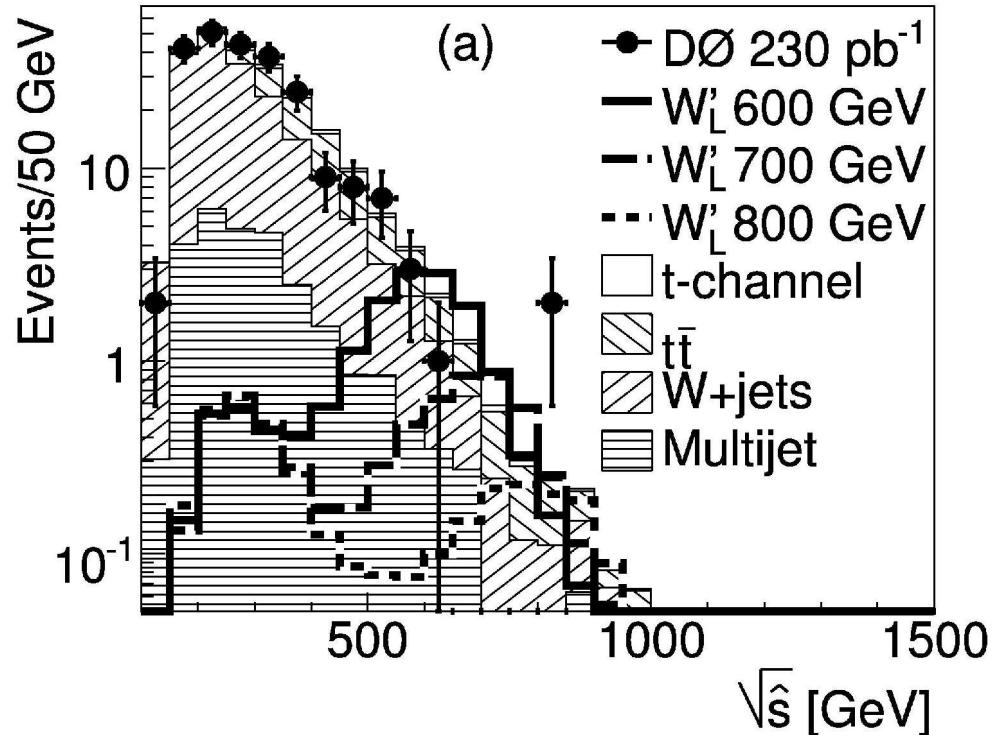
$$\begin{aligned} B(W' \rightarrow t\bar{b}) &\sim 3/12 \quad (\text{lepton+quark decays allowed}) \\ &\sim 3/9 \quad (\text{quark decays allowed}) \end{aligned}$$

Event Yields

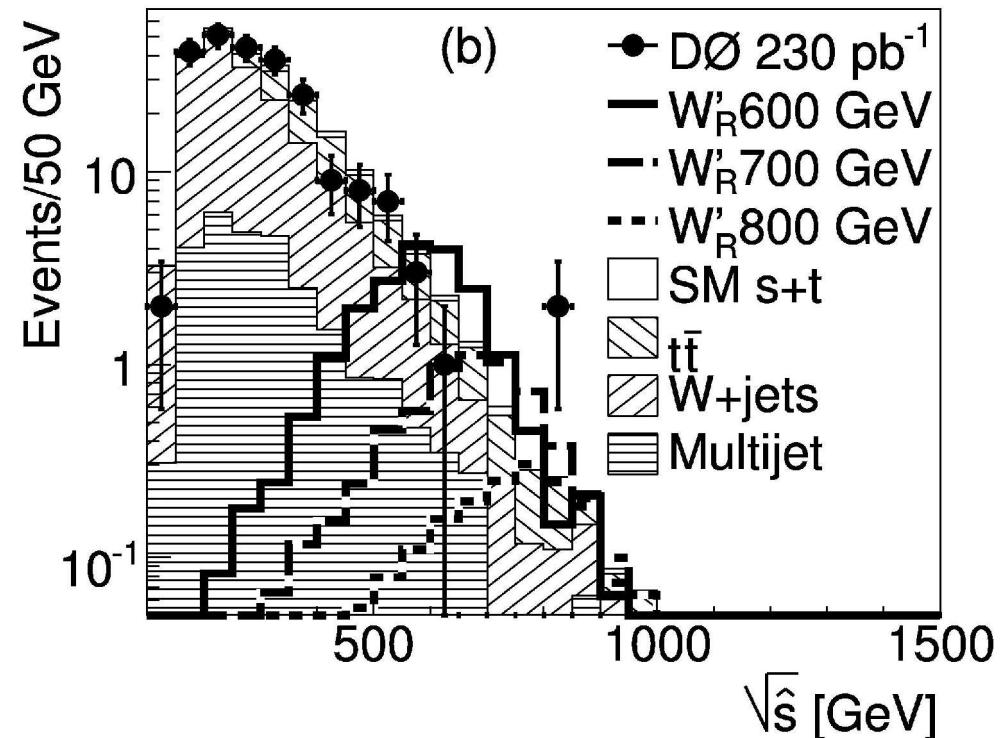
	Event Yields for $\sqrt{\hat{s}} > 400$ GeV		
	SM+ W'_L	W'_R ($\rightarrow l$ or q)	W'_R ($\rightarrow q$ only)
Signals			
W' (600 GeV)	13.0 ± 2.3	13.8 ± 2.4	18.4 ± 3.2
W' (650 GeV)	7.1 ± 1.3	7.9 ± 1.1	10.4 ± 1.5
W' (700 GeV)	4.4 ± 0.8	4.6 ± 0.8	6.0 ± 1.1
W' (750 GeV)	2.4 ± 0.4	2.6 ± 0.5	3.4 ± 0.6
W' (800 GeV)	1.6 ± 0.3	1.5 ± 0.3	1.9 ± 0.4
Backgrounds			
SM t -channel		1.9 ± 0.8	
$t\bar{t}$		16.9 ± 5.6	
W +jets		17.8 ± 4.5	
Multijet		4.4 ± 1.5	
Background sum		41.0 ± 10.2	(stat+syst)
Data		30	

Reconstructed invariant mass

Model 1: W'_L



Model 2 and 3: W'_R



Data consistent with background estimate within uncertainties.

Limit setting procedure

- Use reconstructed invariant mass in region
 $400 \text{ GeV} \leq \sqrt{\hat{s}} \leq 1000 \text{ GeV}$
- Use Bayesian approach with flat prior for signal cross-section.
- Derive limits from likelihood function.
- Combined electron, muon and single-tagged, double-tagged analysis channels
- Include all systematic uncertainties taking into account correlations between different sources and histogram bins.

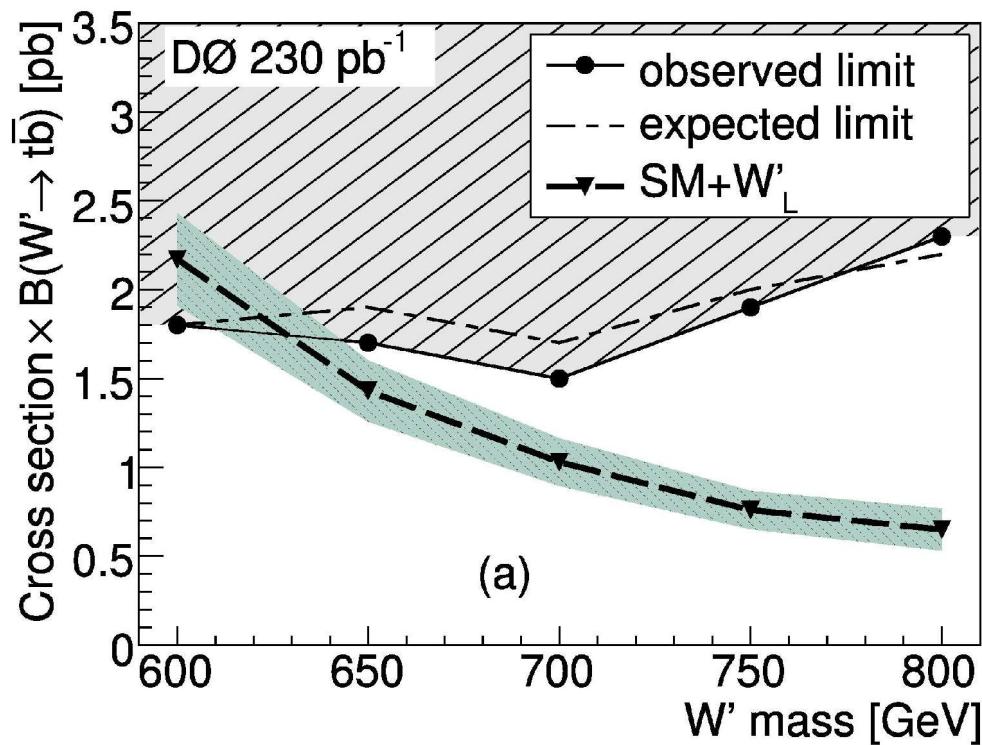
	Signal	Backgrounds
b-tag modeling in MC	4-16%	10-30%
Jet energy calibration	1-2 %	15-30%
Others (trigger, ID,...)	1-5 %	1-5%

- Set upper limits on cross-section x BR as function of W' mass

W' boson mass constraints

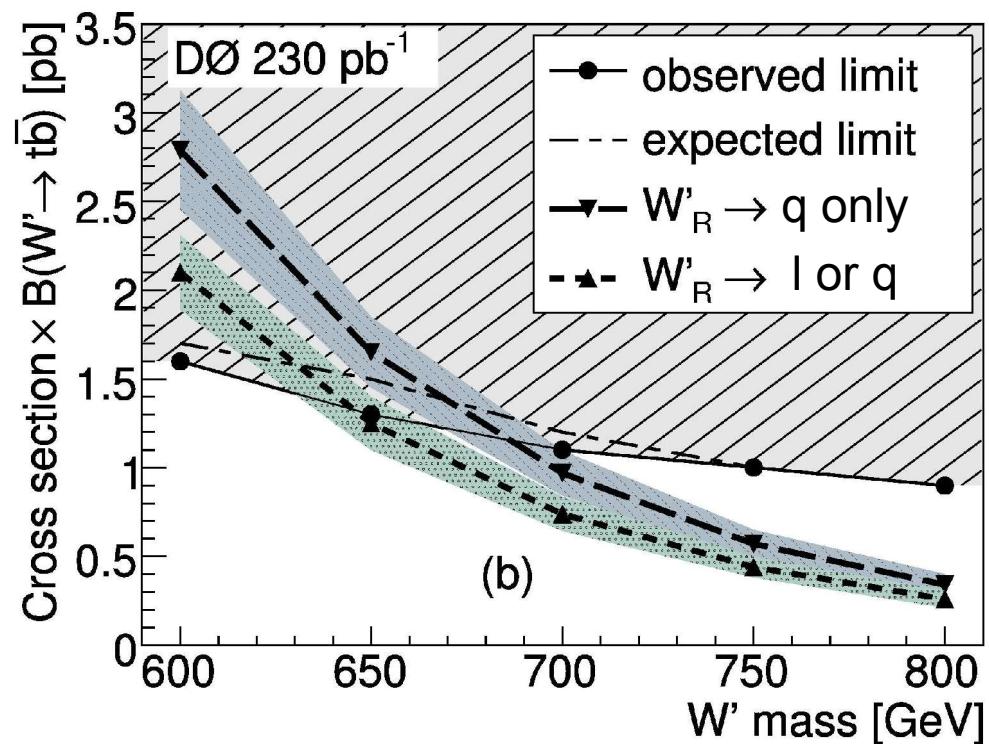
95% CL constraints

Model 1: W'_L



$M_{W'} > 610 \text{ GeV}$

Model 2 and 3: W'_R



$M_{W'} > 630 \text{ GeV}$ (quark or lepton)

$M_{W'} > 670 \text{ GeV}$ (quark only decay)

Summary

- Search for the production of W' boson in top quark decay channel
- No evidence for W' is found, data is compatible with background estimate
- Calculate constraints on W' boson mass for three different models
 - W'_L : SM-like left-handed coupling
 - W'_R : Right-handed coupling (lepton and quark decay)
 - W'_R : Right-handed coupling (quark decay only)
- First direct search to take into account interference between W' and SM production
- Results published: *Phys. Lett. B 641 (2006) 423*

95% CL lower mass limits

W'_L :

$M_{W'} > 610 \text{ GeV}$

W'_R (lepton and quark decay):

$M_{W'} > 630 \text{ GeV}$

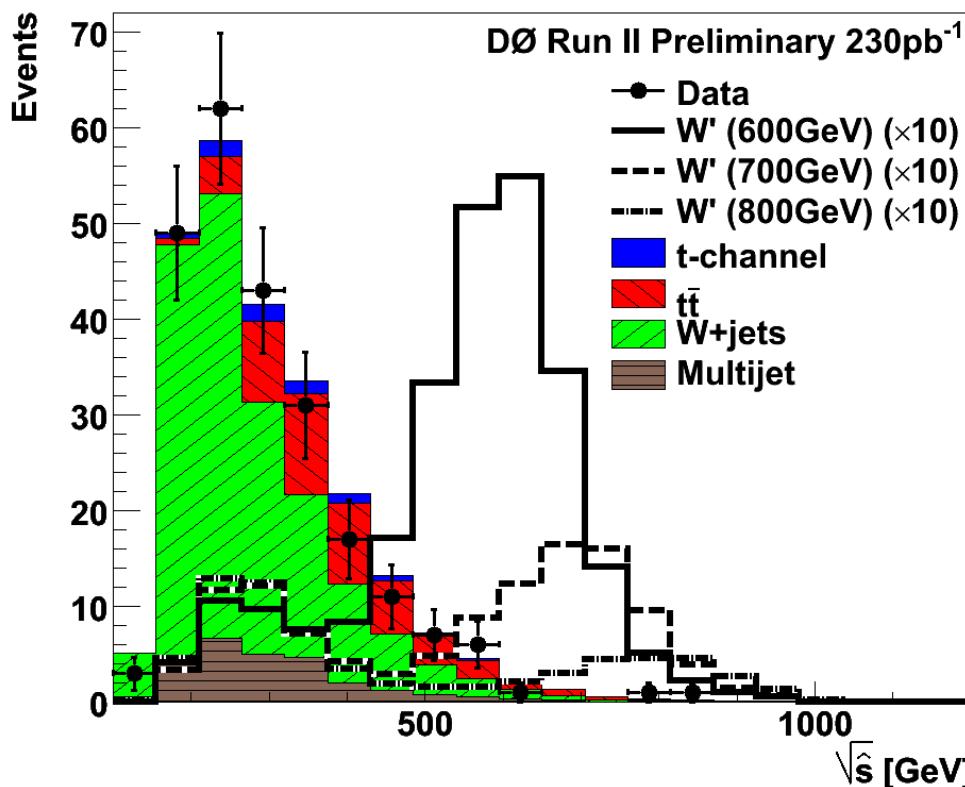
W'_R (quark only decay):

$M_{W'} > 670 \text{ GeV}$

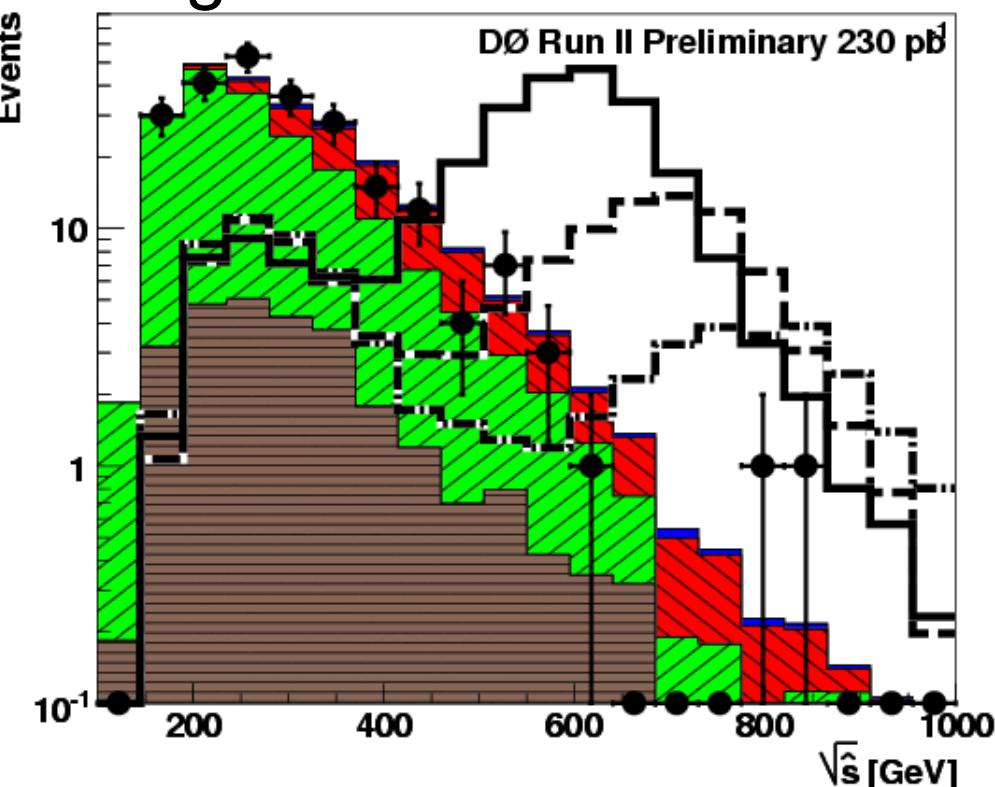
Data/Background comparison

Model 1: W_L^*

Linear scale



Log scale



Data consistent with background estimation within uncertainties.