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A Search for Dark Matter in the Monojet + Missing Transverse Energy Signature in 6.7 fb^{-1}

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Outline

- Present results of a new CDF search for dark matter in monojet + missing transverse energy
- Search was performed in collaboration with authors of :

“The Tevatron at the Frontier of Dark Matter Direct Detection”

Yang Bai, Patrick J. Fox, Roni Harnik

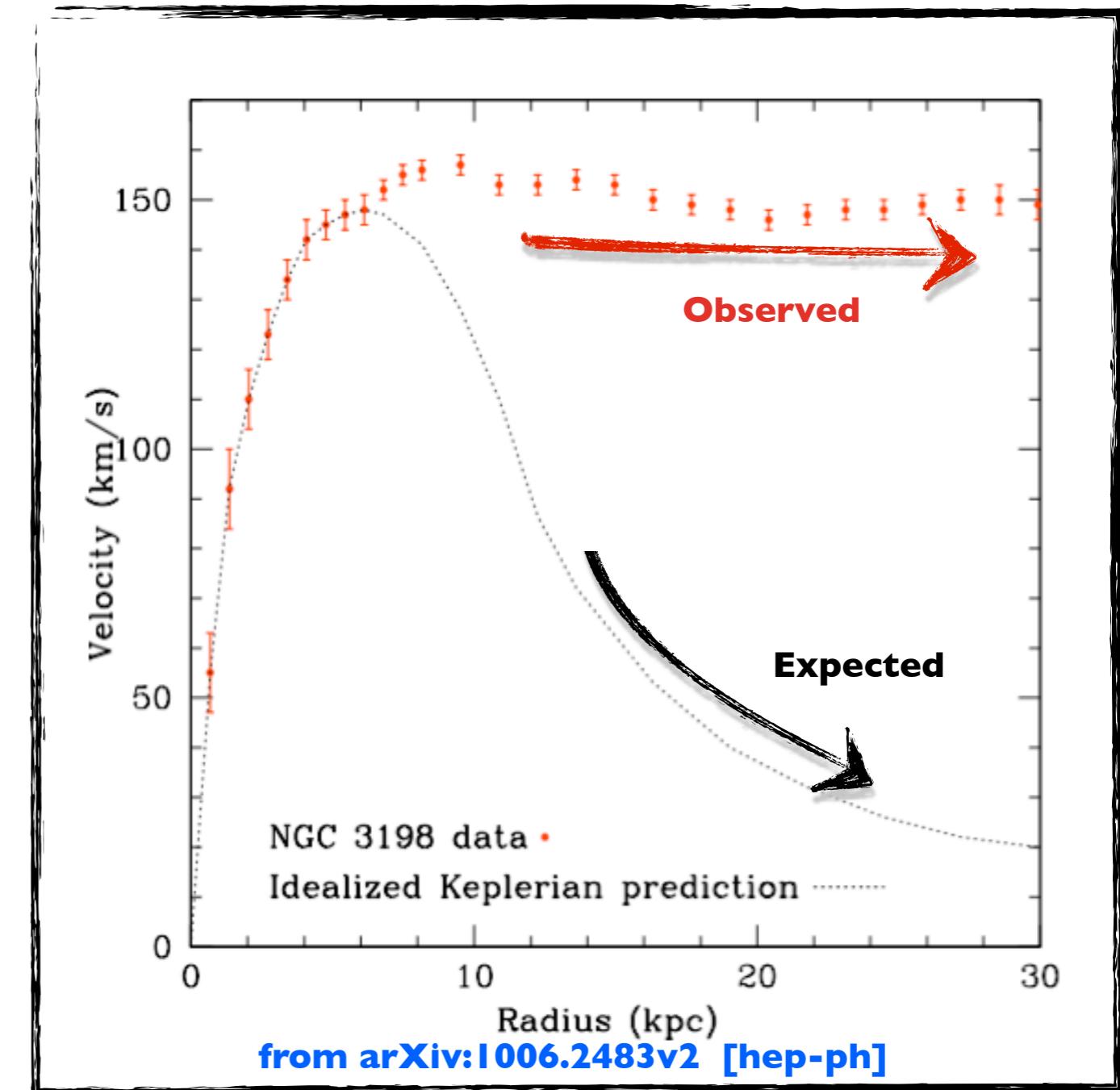
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See W&C by P. Fox
on 4/22/2011

- Introduction & motivation
- Search strategy
- Results
- Comparison to other searches

Introduction

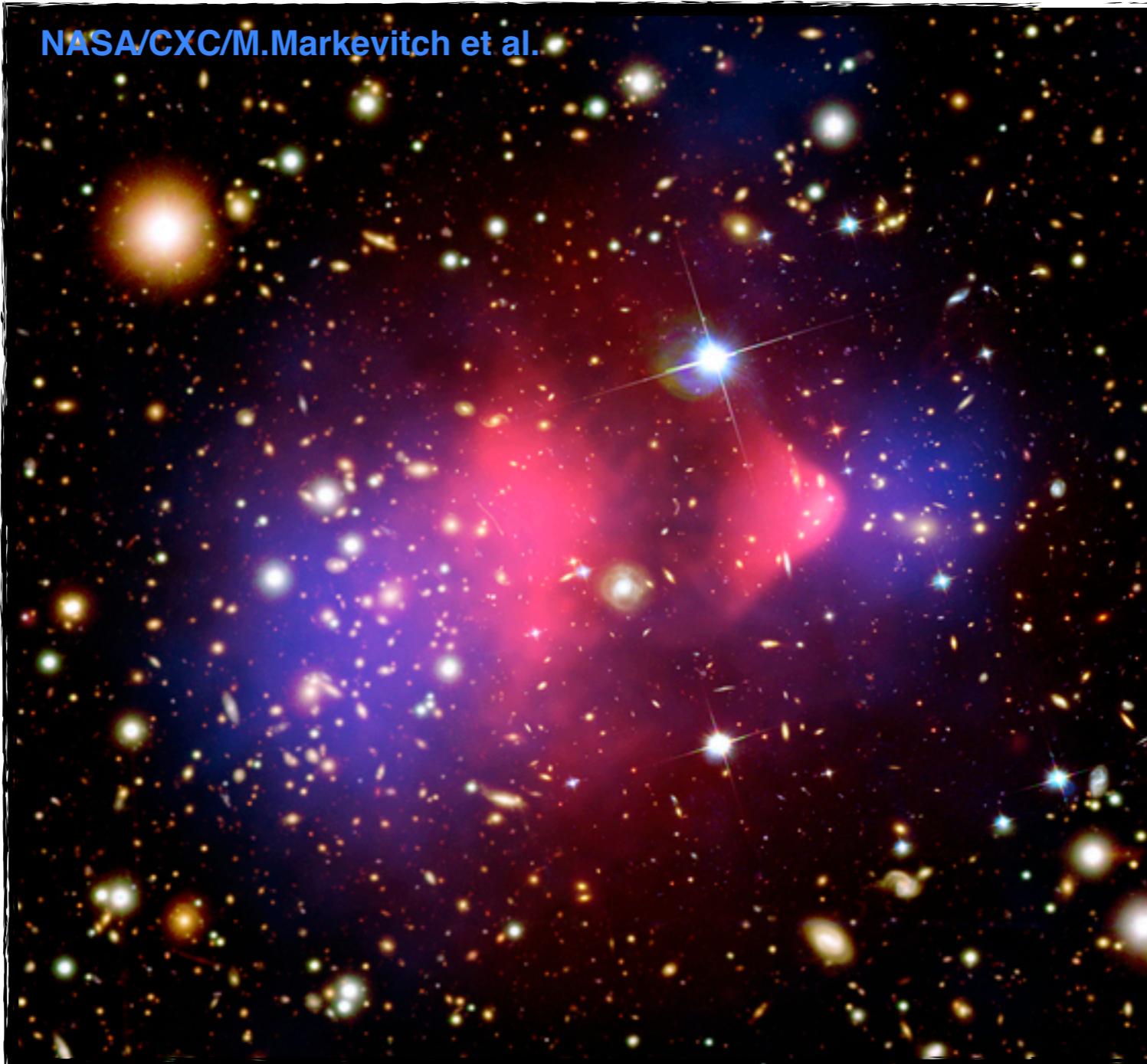
- There is strong evidence for the existence of dark matter.



- Clear deviation from expected $1/\sqrt{r}$ behavior

Introduction

- more evidence from the bullet cluster

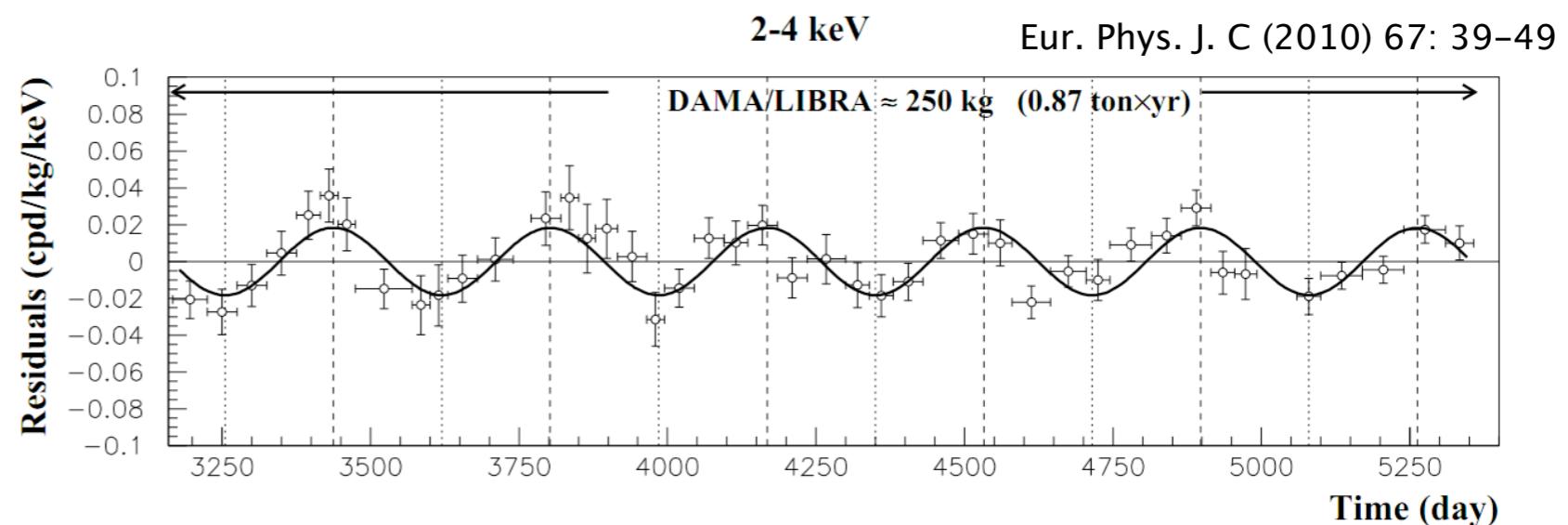


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arXiv:astro-ph/0608407v1

Direct Detection

- **Gravitational** evidence is compelling and has motivated several dedicated **direct-detection** searches
- Aim to observe recoil of dark matter off of nucleus

DAMA/LIBRA +
CoGent +
CRESST-II +
CDMS -
XENON-100 -



excesses in several recent experiments hint at $\sim 10\text{GeV}$ DM

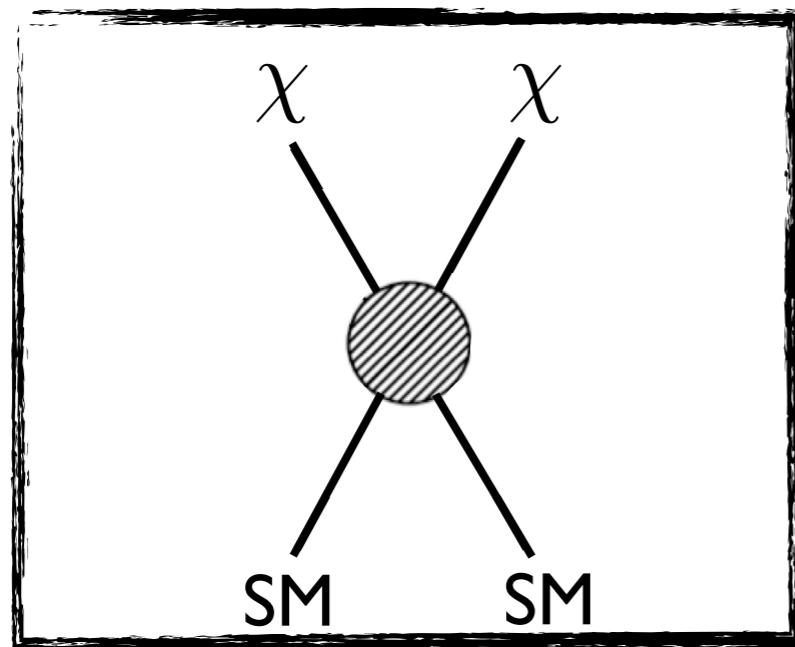
Strong limits on dark matter nucleon scattering rate from others

open question

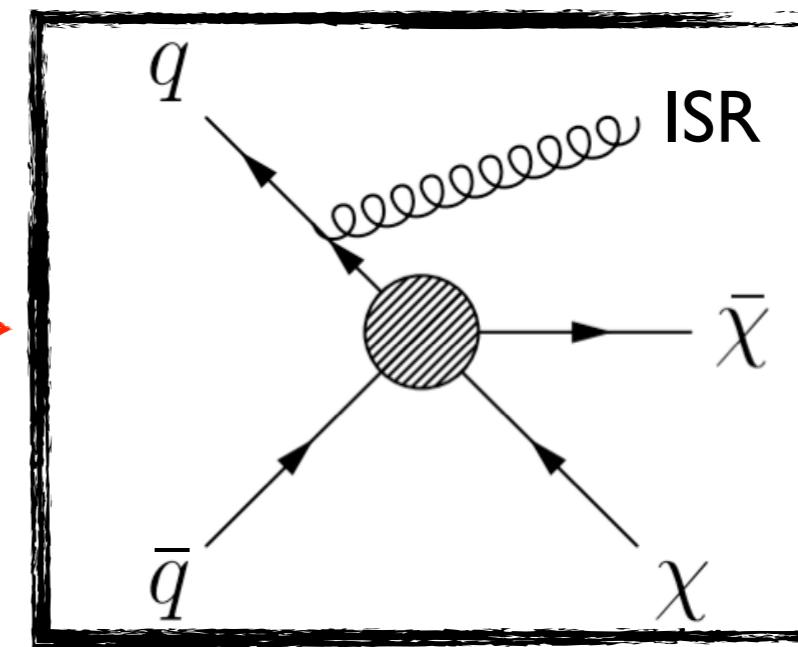
Collider Input

- Assuming dark matter couples to the SM (quarks & gluons) can relate direct detection to collider production of dark matter

Direct Detection



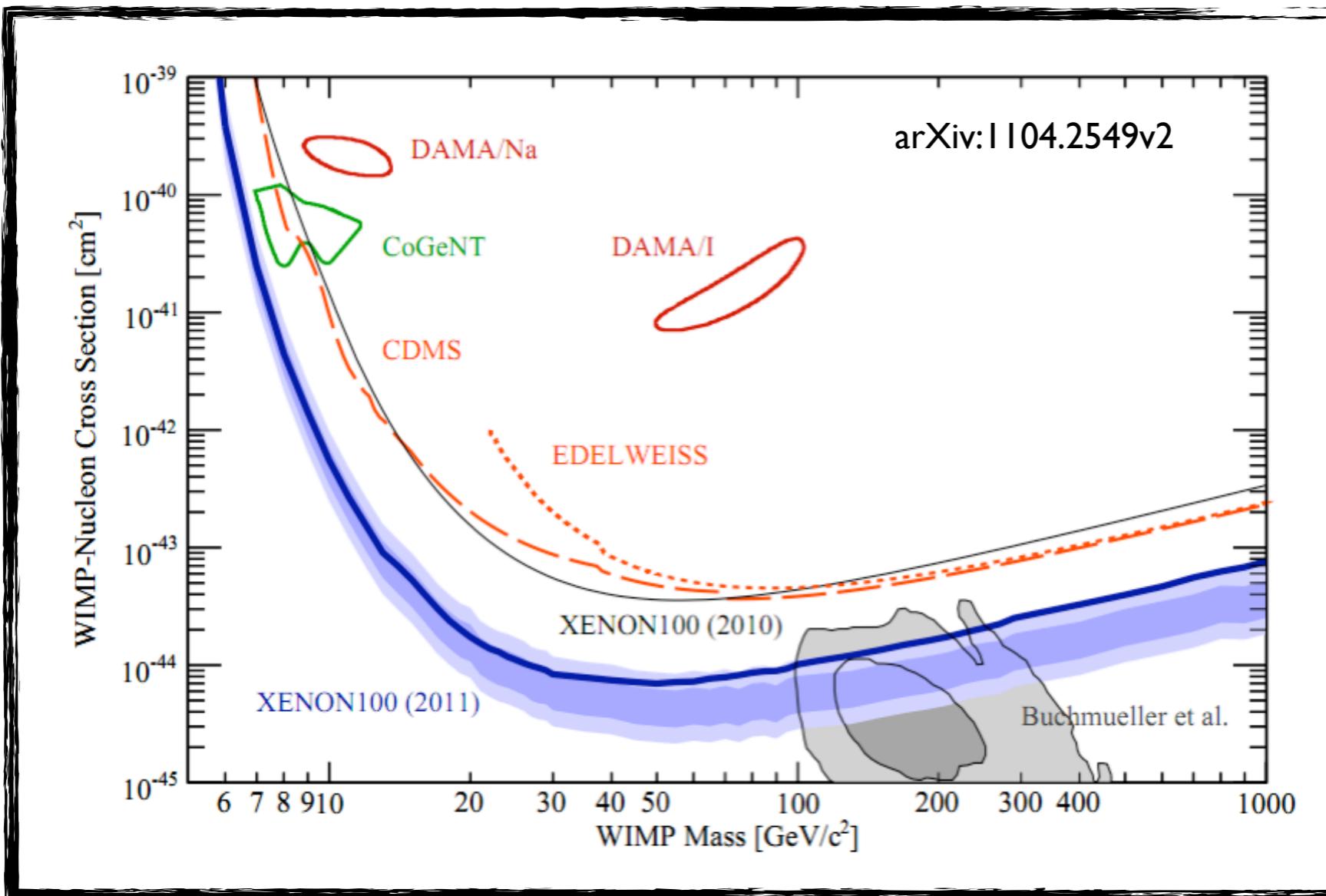
Collider Monojet + MET



- In collider production, dark matter (χ), passes through the detector resulting in a transverse energy imbalance (MET)
- When produced in events with additional an **ISR-jet**, it is possible to detect & analyze these events

Collider Advantages

- Advantage #1 : no detection threshold



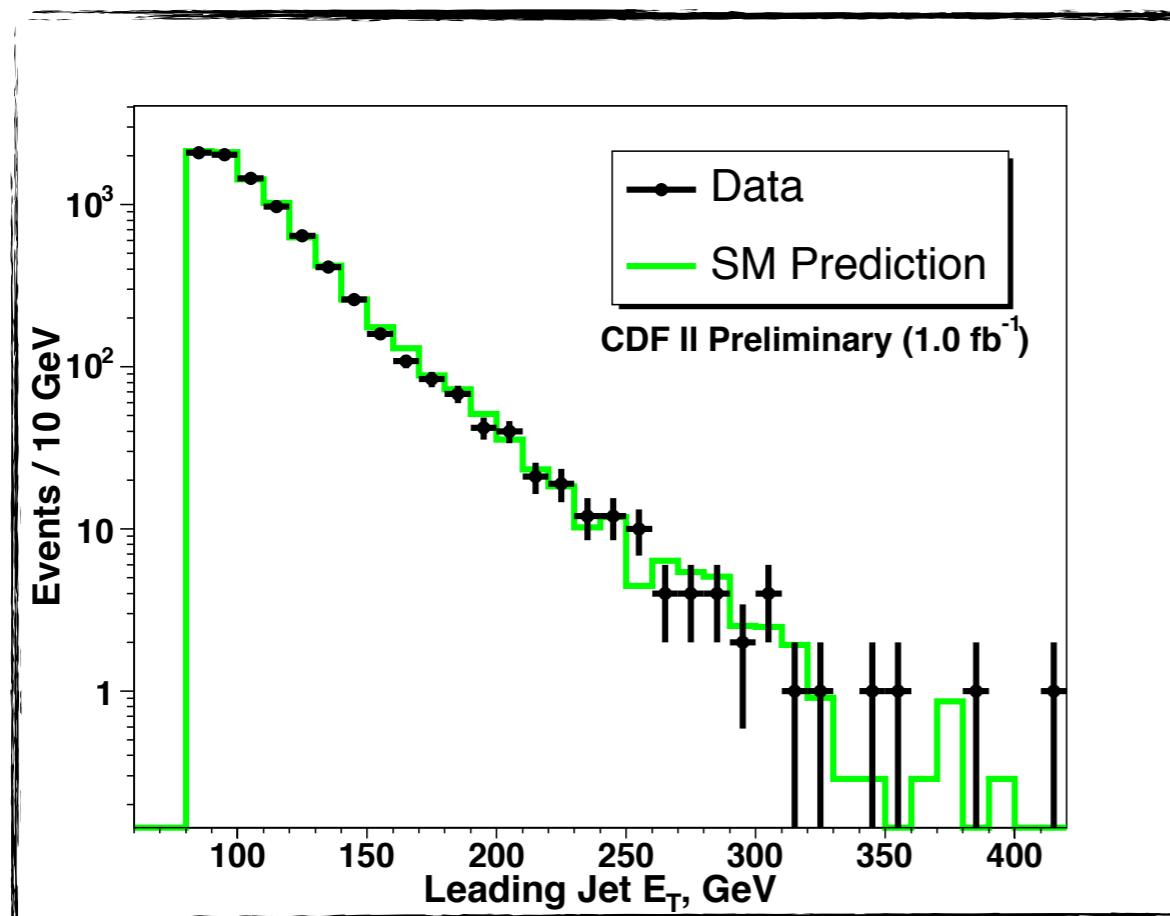
- While ($\sim 1 \text{ GeV}$) DM-recoil can fall below direct-detection threshold, collider searches have no such limitation

Collider Advantages

- Advantage #2: **No Spin independence vs Spin dependence**
 - For direct detection Spin-dependent vs Spin-independent DM-nucleon interactions matter
 - With spin-dependence, DM couples to spin of a nucleon
 - In the spin-independent case, get a coherent interaction with the nucleus as a whole (A^2 enhancement)
- Direct detection limits are much weaker for SD interactions than for SI
- A collider search is insensitive to this effect
- In short, a collider **monojet+MET** search can set competitive bounds for **light DM**, and for **spin-dependent interactions**

Previous Monojet Searches

- Previously studied at **CDF, ATLAS, and CMS** in the context of Large Extra Dimensions



- There exists several **indirect translations** of the results into bounds on dark matter scattering rates

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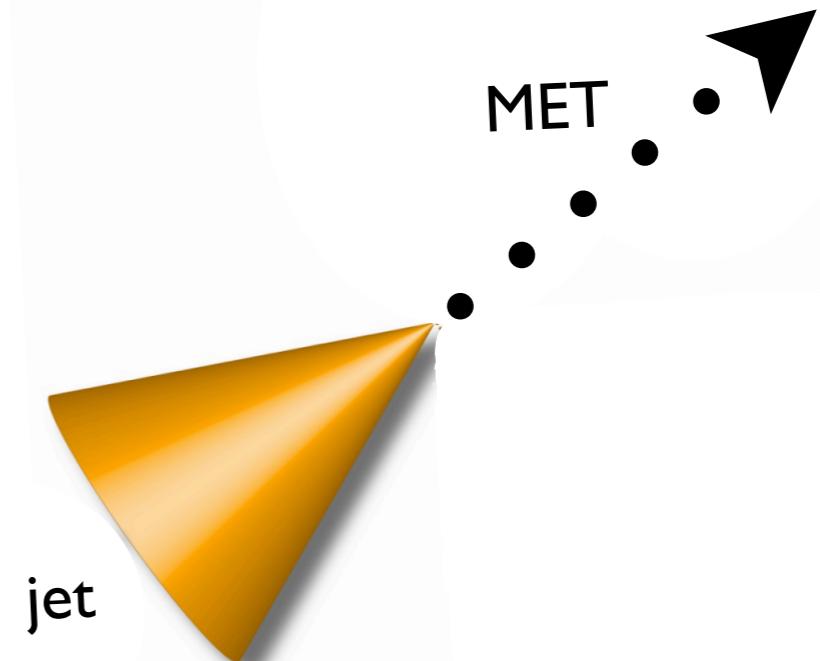
- CDF result in 6.7/fb is the first dedicated dark matter search in monojet + MET.

DM Signals Considered

- Aim is to observe DM production or set upper limits on
 $\sigma[p\bar{p} \rightarrow X\bar{X} + \text{jet}]$
- Consider three models of dark matter production in which some mediator couples to DM and standard model quarks :
 - ▶ Axial vector mediated production (A-V) → spin dep. interactions in direct detection
 - ▶ Vector mediated production (V) → spin indep. interactions in direct detection
 - ▶ t-channel mediator exchange (T)
- Study very heavy mediators (10 TeV) where you can assume an effective theory (mediator drop out), as well as lighter ($\sim 100 \text{ GeV}$) mediators
- Consider several dark matter masses between 1 and 300 GeV

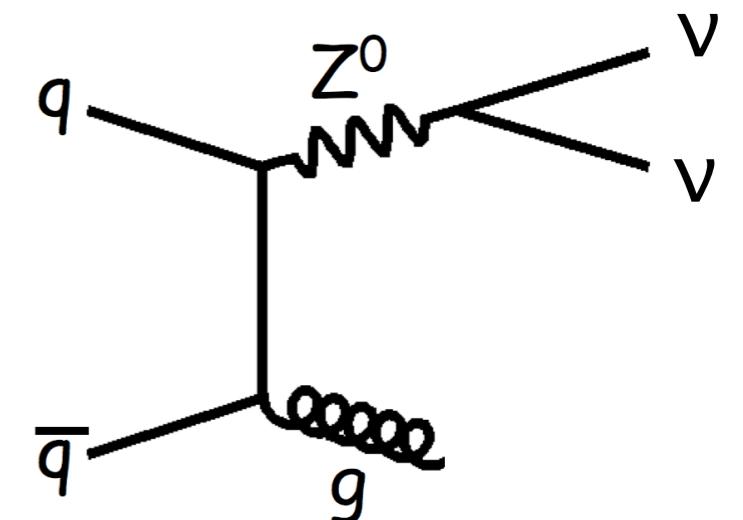
DM Signal Characteristics

- Look for a high E_T jet back-to-back with missing E_T



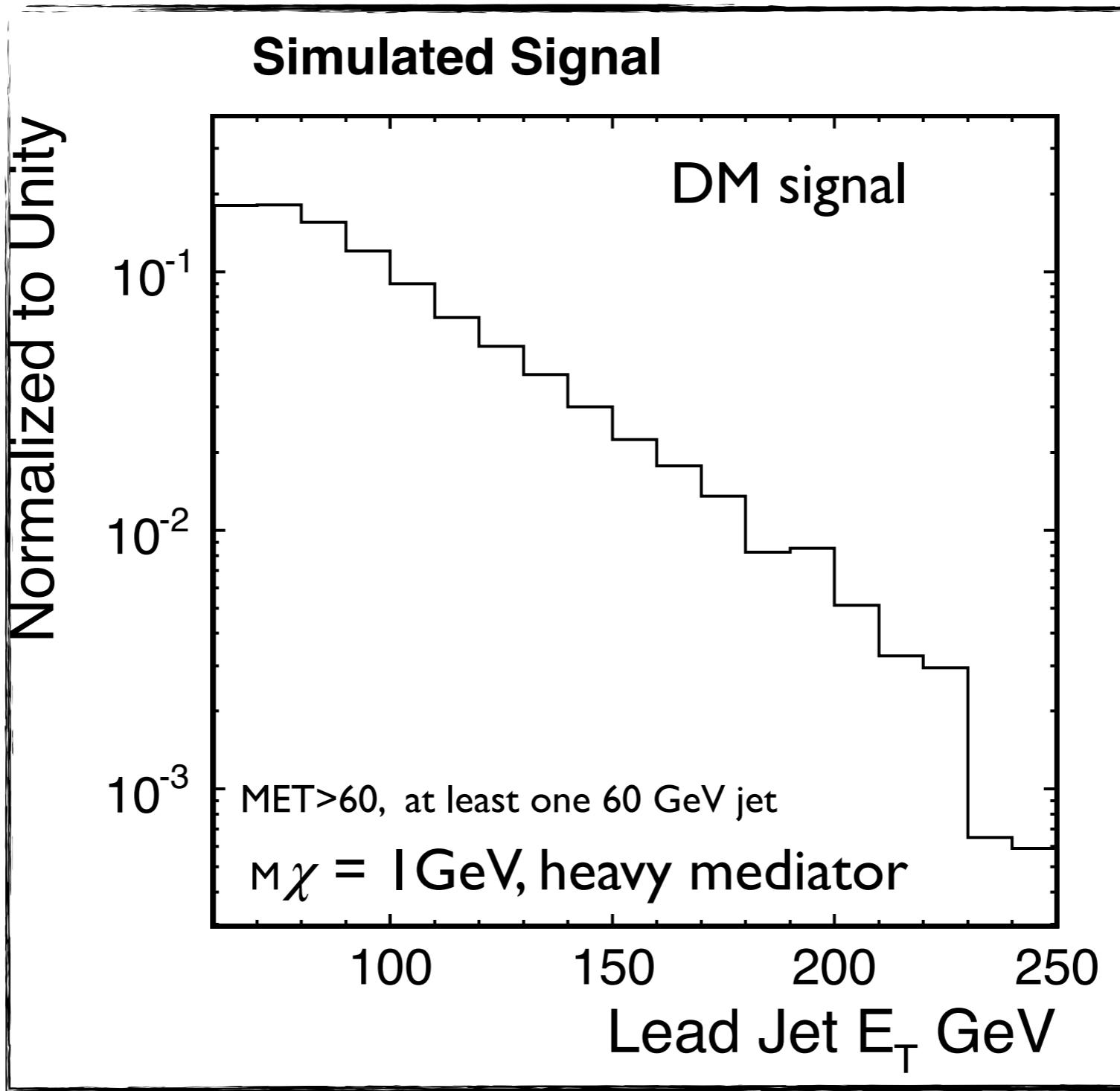
- Background processes with similar detector signature :

- $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu + \text{jet}$
- $W \rightarrow l^\pm \nu + \text{jet}$ (where l^\pm escapes detection)
- QCD multijet events



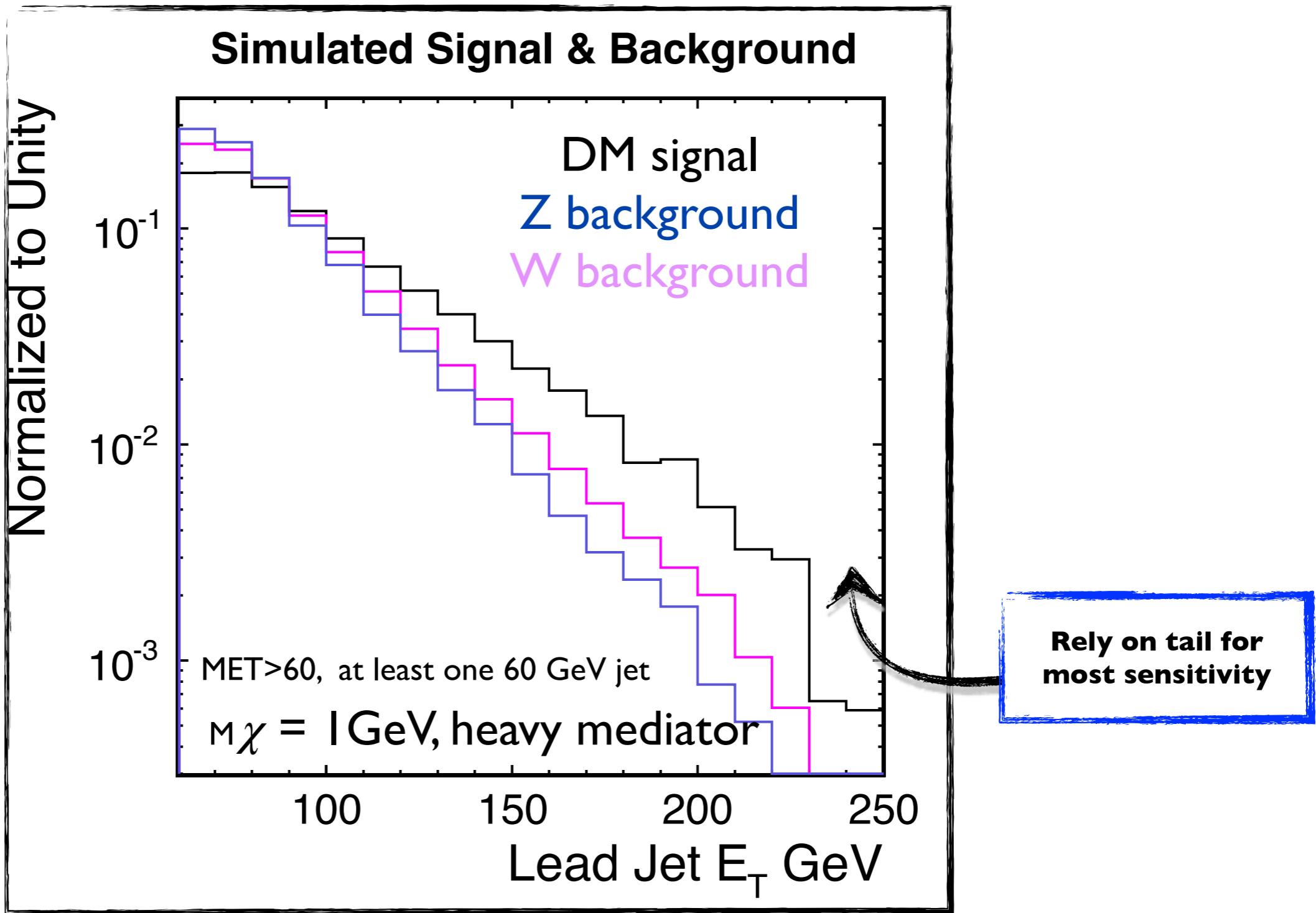
DM Signal Characteristics

- Signal is MadGraph + Pythia + Full Detector Simulation



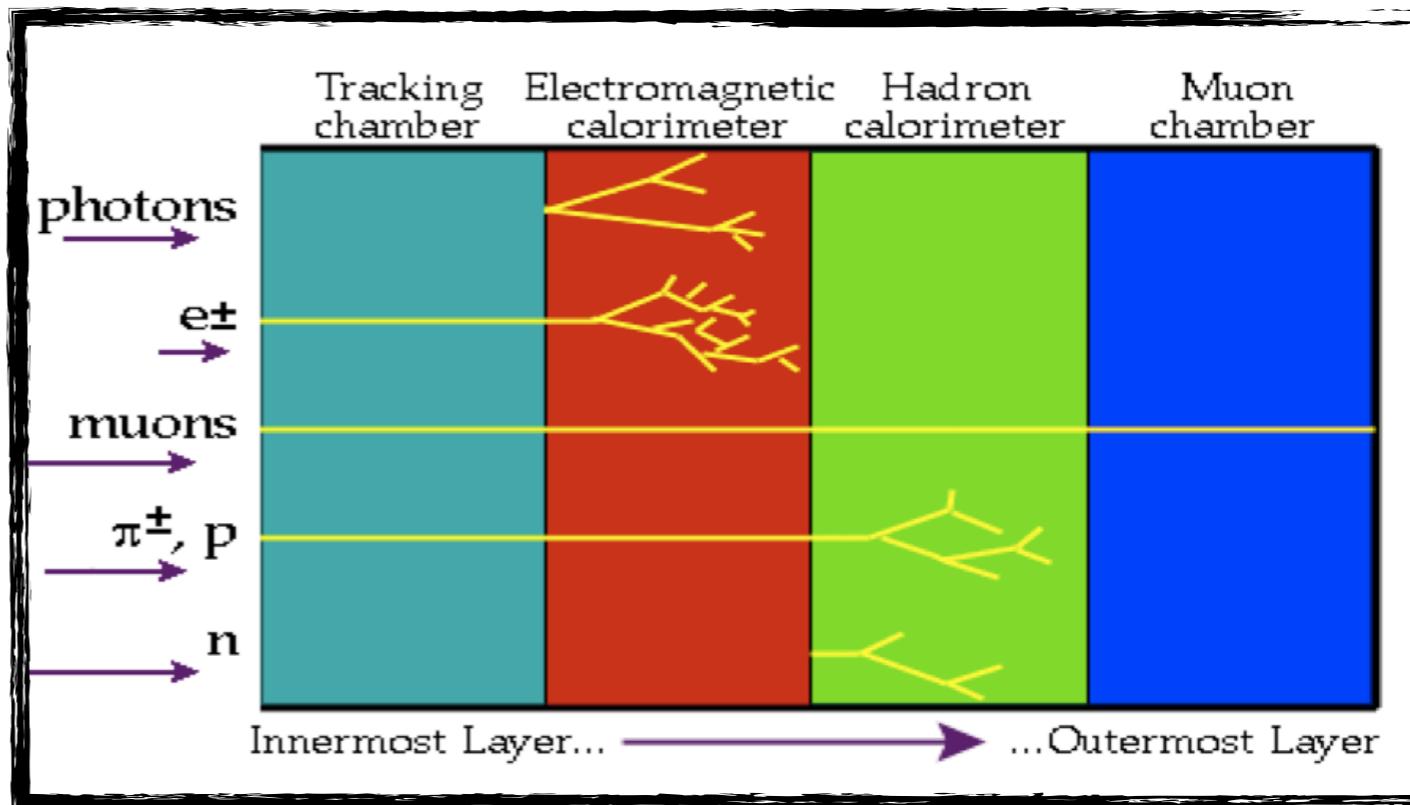
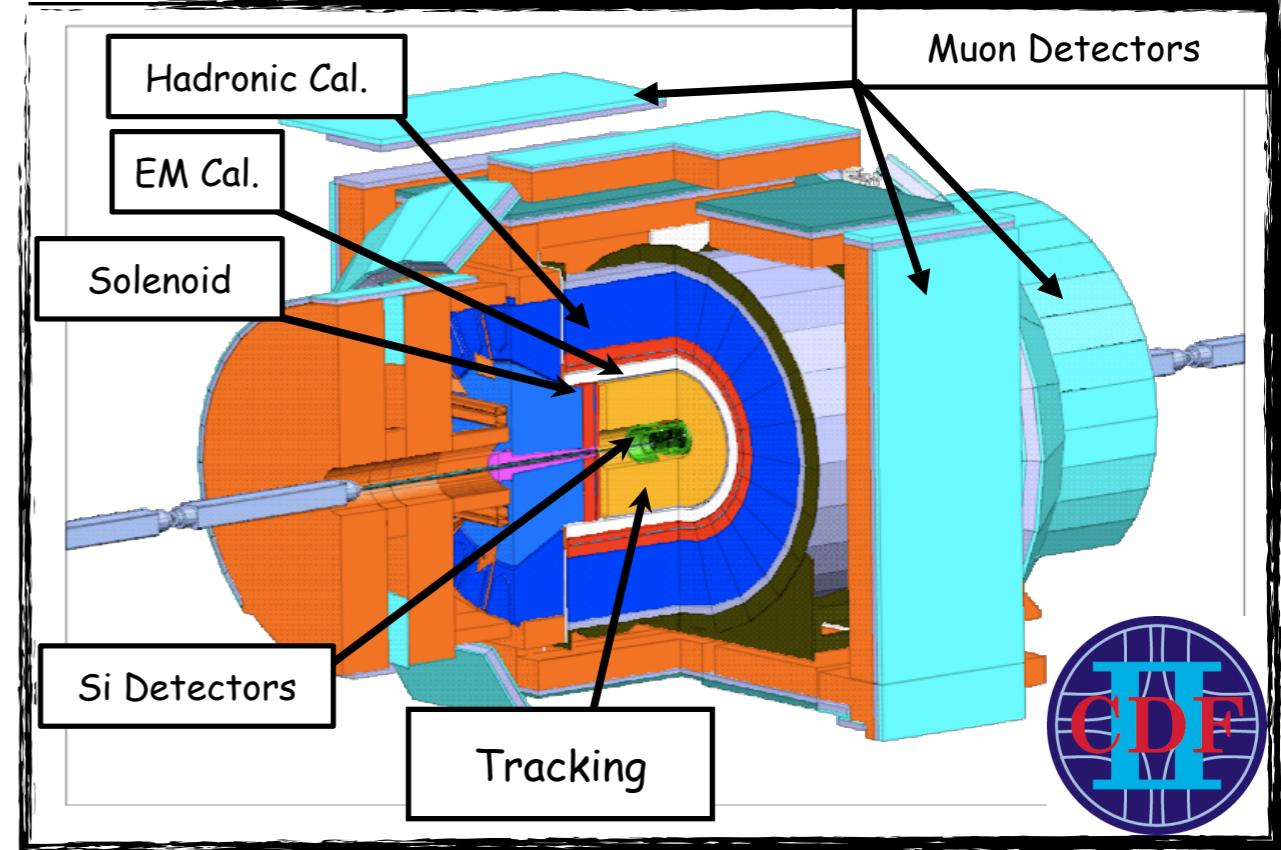
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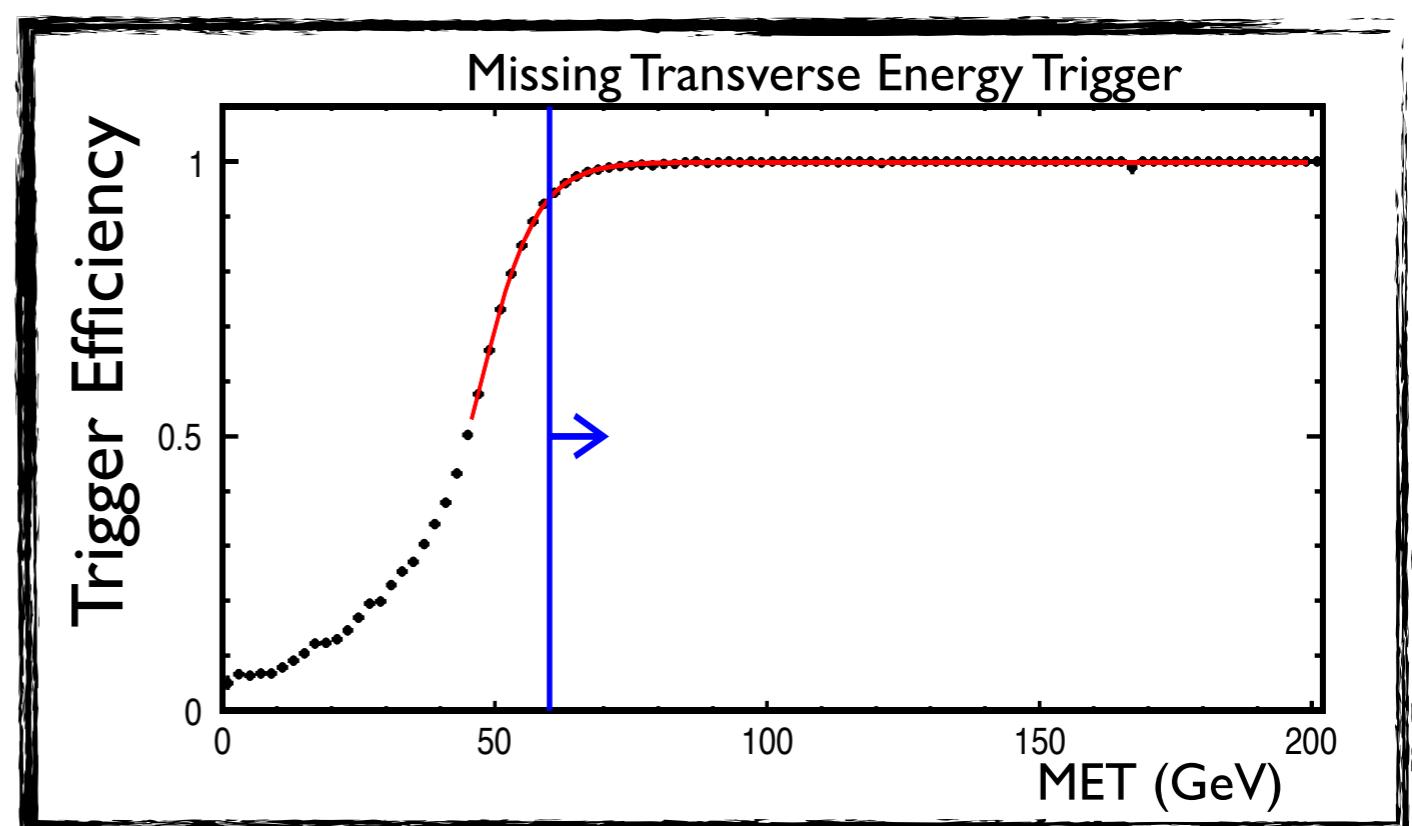
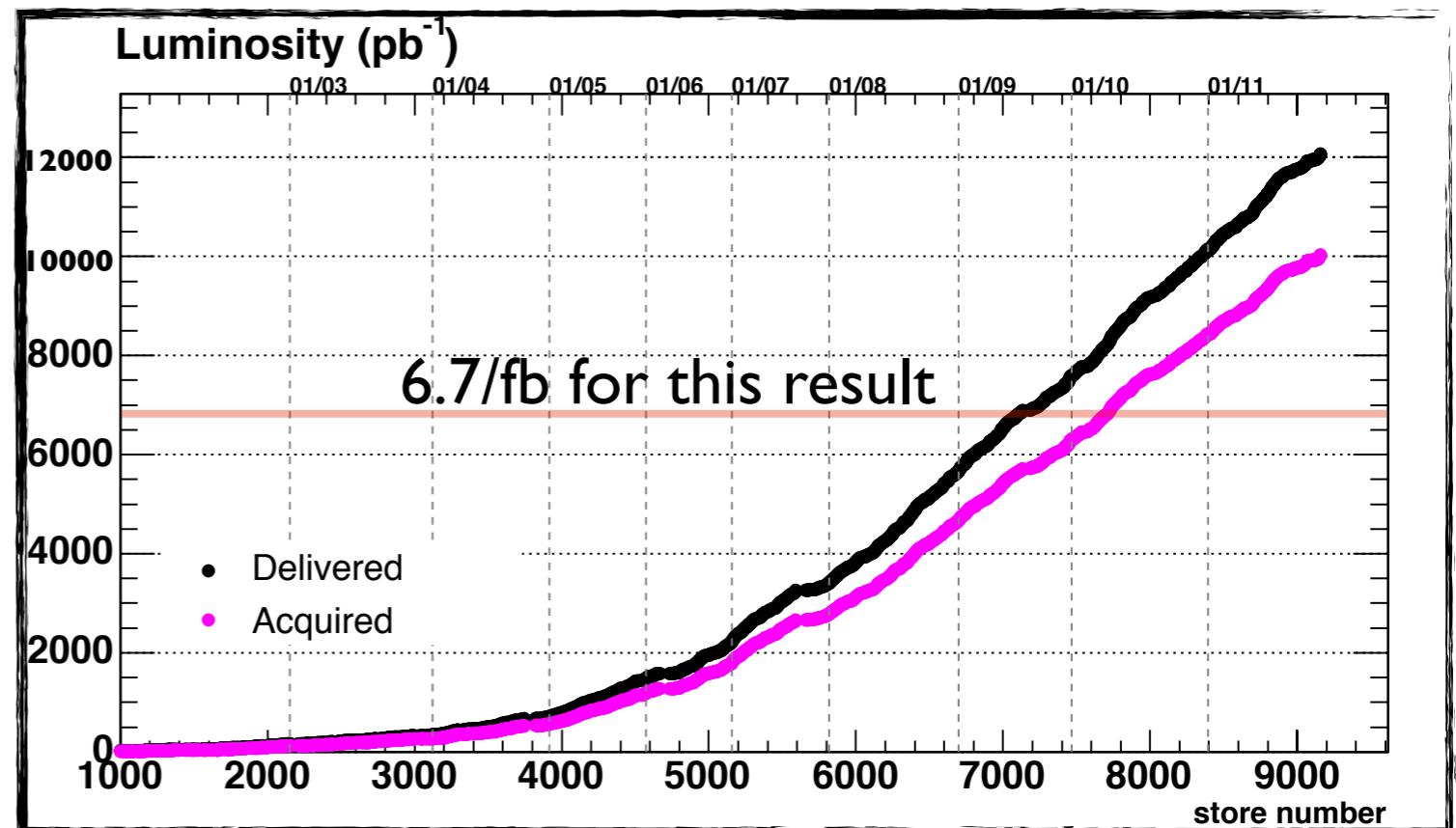
The Detector

- Dark matter passes through CDF, but we can still make good use of the full CDF detector
 - Tracking : reject events with leptonically decaying Z or W with a track veto
 - Calorimetry : reject photons and electrons
 - Muon detectors : reject cosmic rays



Data Sample

- Utilize a $6.7/\text{fb}$ data sample selected with missing transverse energy triggers ($\text{MET} > 40 \text{ GeV}$)
- Special thanks to the Beams Division for providing us with this rich dataset!
- Impose an offline requirement of $\text{MET} > 60 \text{ GeV}$ for an efficiency close to one



Event Selection

- Analyze 6.7/fb recorded by missing energy triggers
- Require **MET** > 60 GeV
- **One jet** with transverse energy (E_T) > 60 GeV
- At most one additional jet with $E_T < 30$ GeV
- Define 3 additional selections for background modeling & analysis cross-checks

Signal Region

Includes data quality cuts, non-collision vetoes, multijet rejection, and track rejection (lepton veto)

Event Selection

Pre-Selection

Relaxed selection with at least one jet
with $E_T > 35 \text{ GeV}$ and $\text{MET} > 60 \text{ GeV}$
& non-collision vetoes

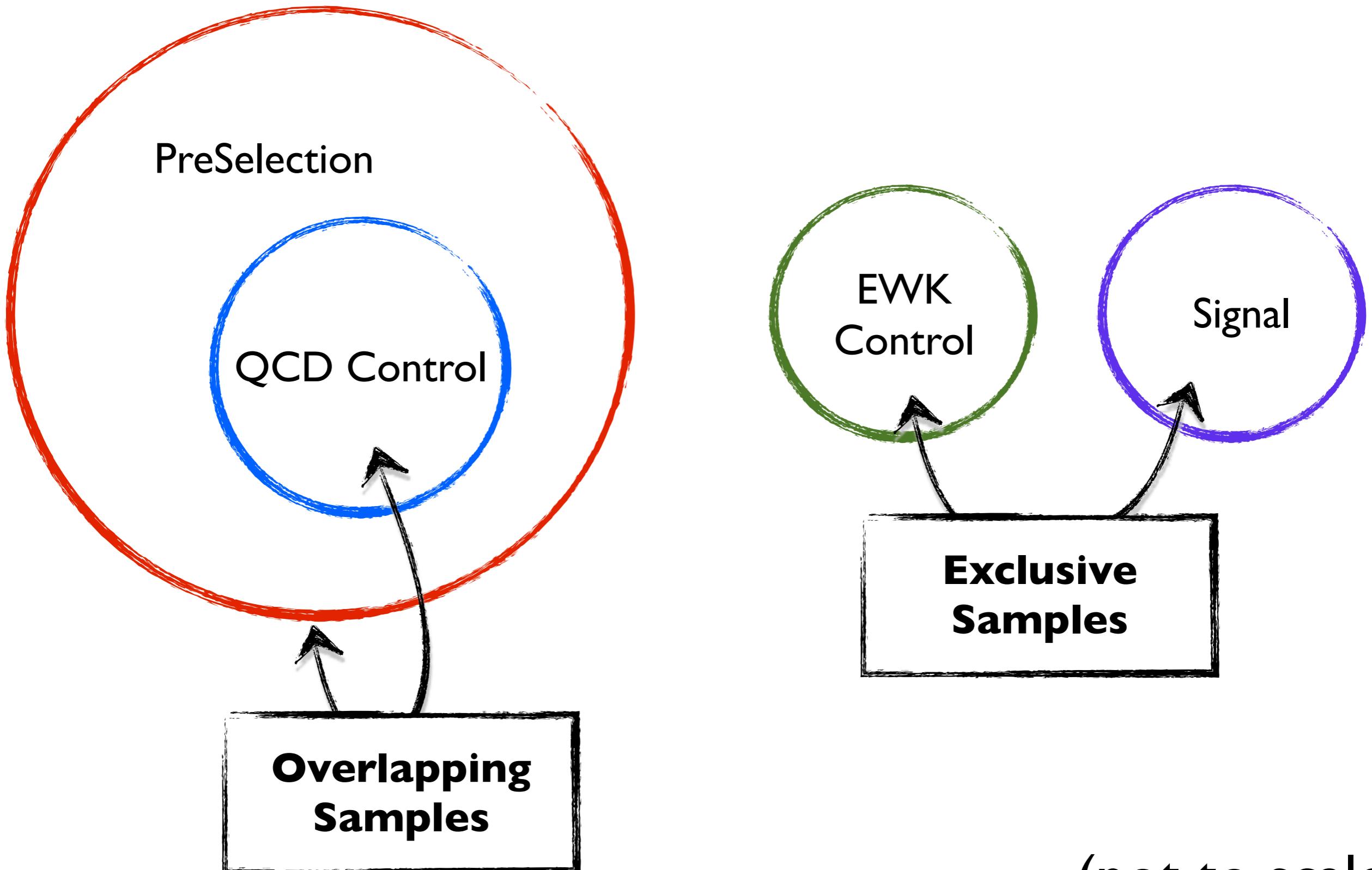
MultiJet Control

Identical to signal region except for
inversion of cuts designed to reject
multijet QCD backgrounds.

EWK Control

Identical to signal region except for
inversion of the lepton veto, thereby
boosting the fraction of $Z \rightarrow l^+l^-$ and $W \rightarrow l^\pm\nu$
events.

Event Selection



(not to scale)

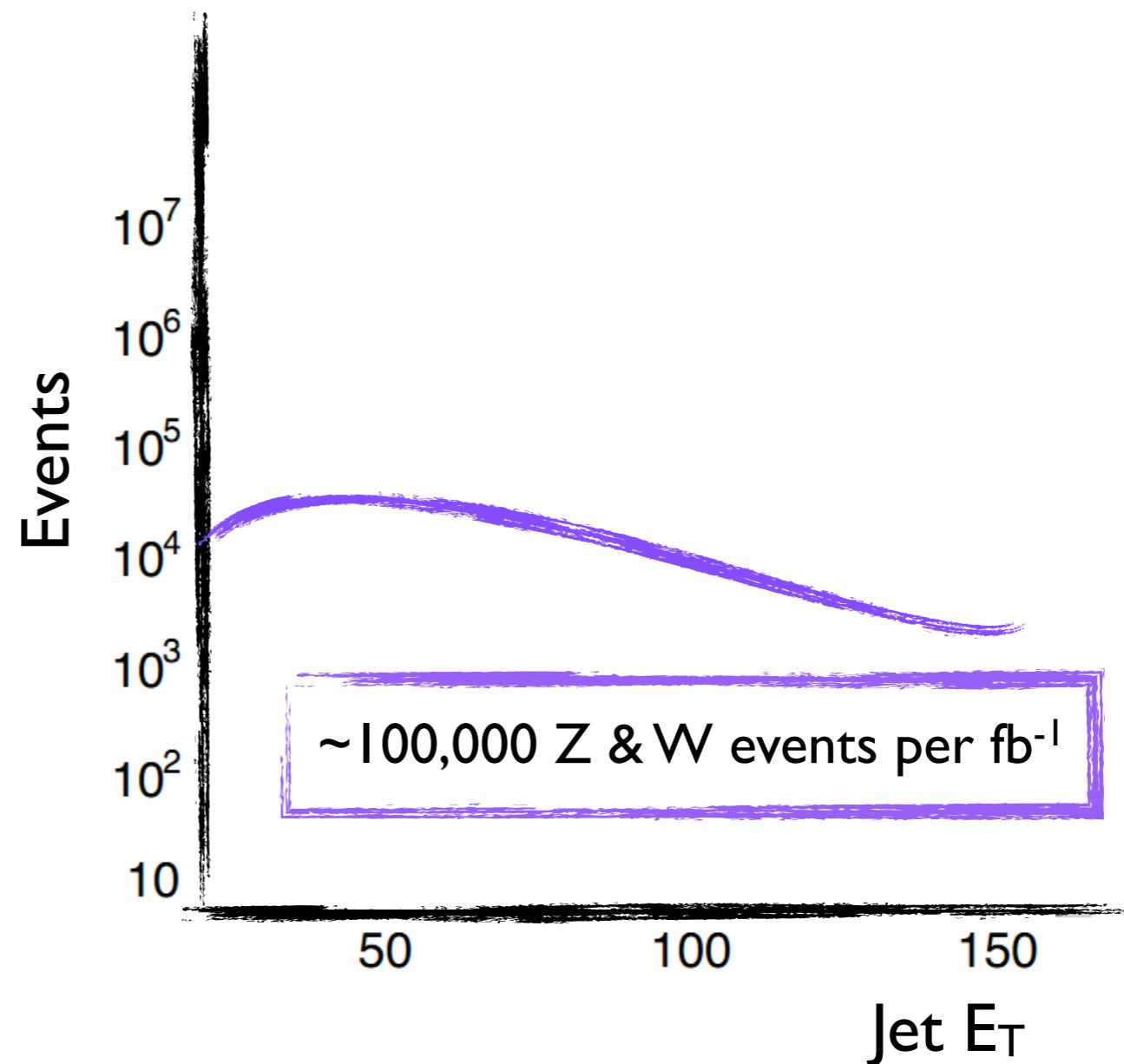
Search Backgrounds

- Monojet = one jet + missing energy (sounds easy!)
 - Select a jet
 - Select for large MET
- Model = simulated samples normalized to theory rates X luminosity with various efficiency corrections

Process	Generator
WW,WZ,ZZ	PYTHIA
tt	PYTHIA
W[e, μ , τ + ν]	ALPGEN+PYTHIA
Z[ee, $\mu\mu$, $\tau\tau$,vv]	ALPGEN+PYTHIA
single top	MadGraph+PYTHIA

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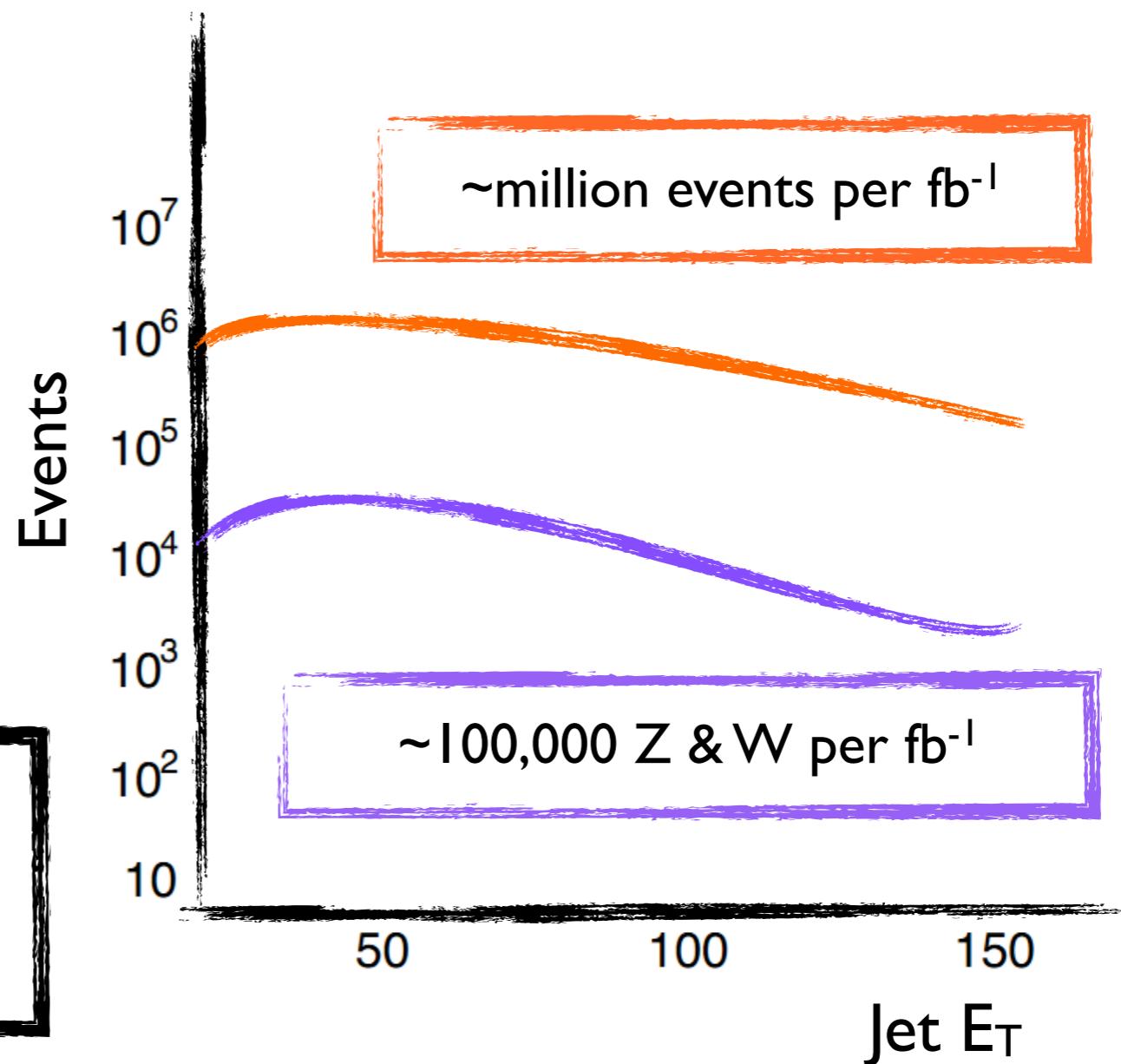
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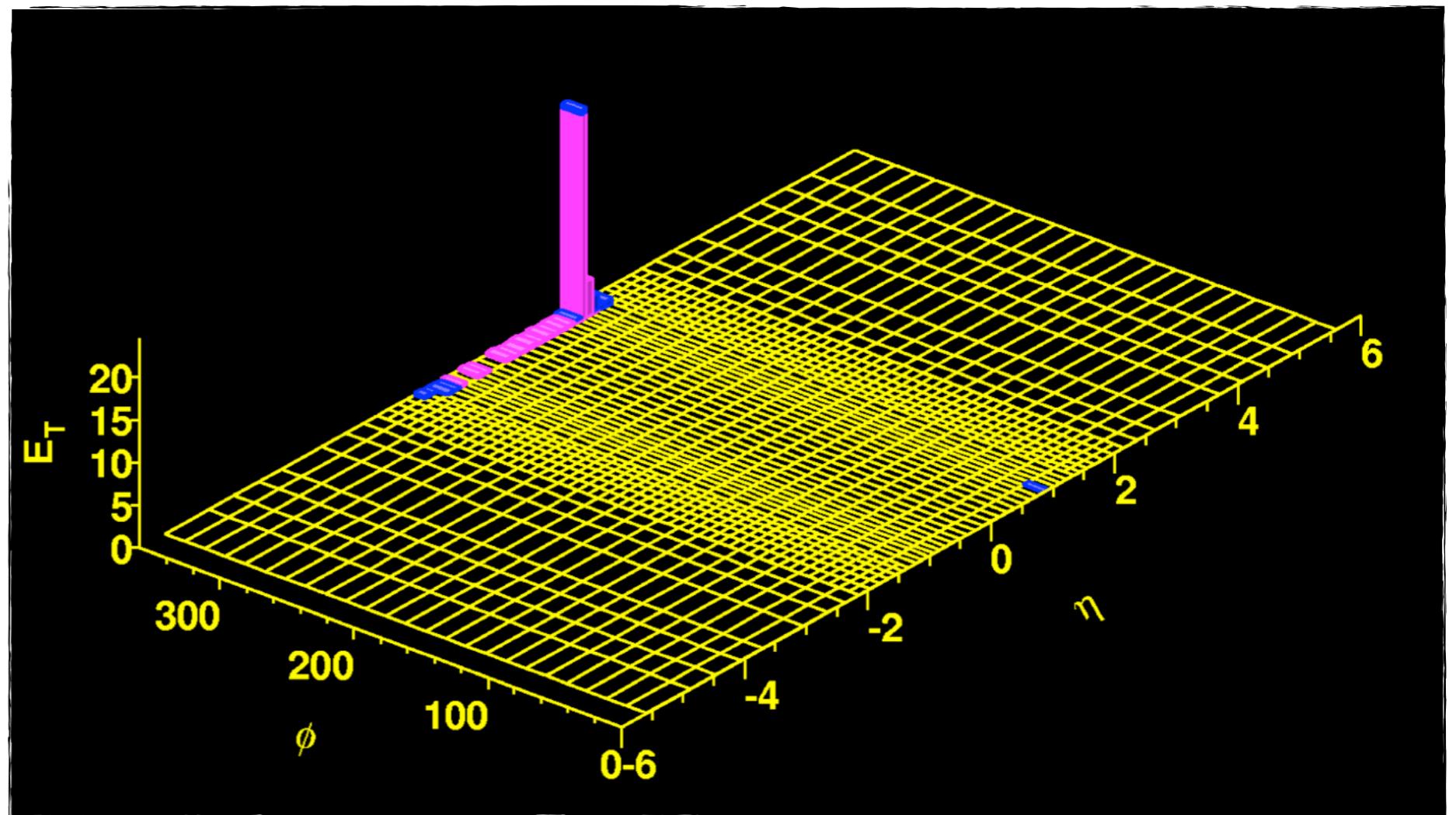
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- Much less than total data.

Large backgrounds from QCD & non-collision sources!



Non-Collision Backgrounds

- Cosmic Rays
- Beam Halo

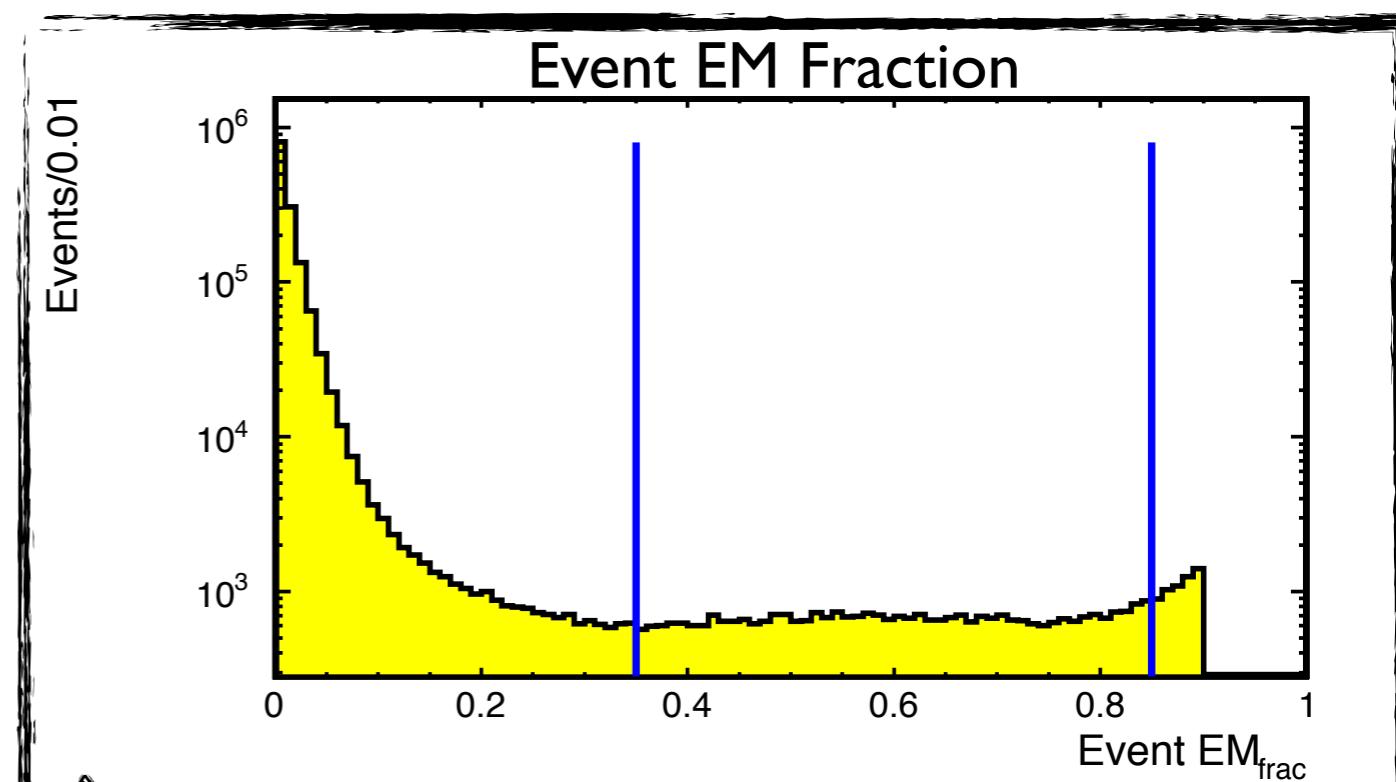


- Beam - detector/gas interactions produce muons that travel through the calorimeter parallel to the beam
- Can generate a false met + monojet signature

Non-Collision Rejection

- Major component of non-collision background is beam-halo
- Typically have **low electromagnetic (EM) fraction** (electron & photon vetoes remove high EM fraction events)
- A cut on the event EM_{frac} rejects **~99%** of the non-collision background
- Model remnant contribution with events failing the the event EM fraction veto

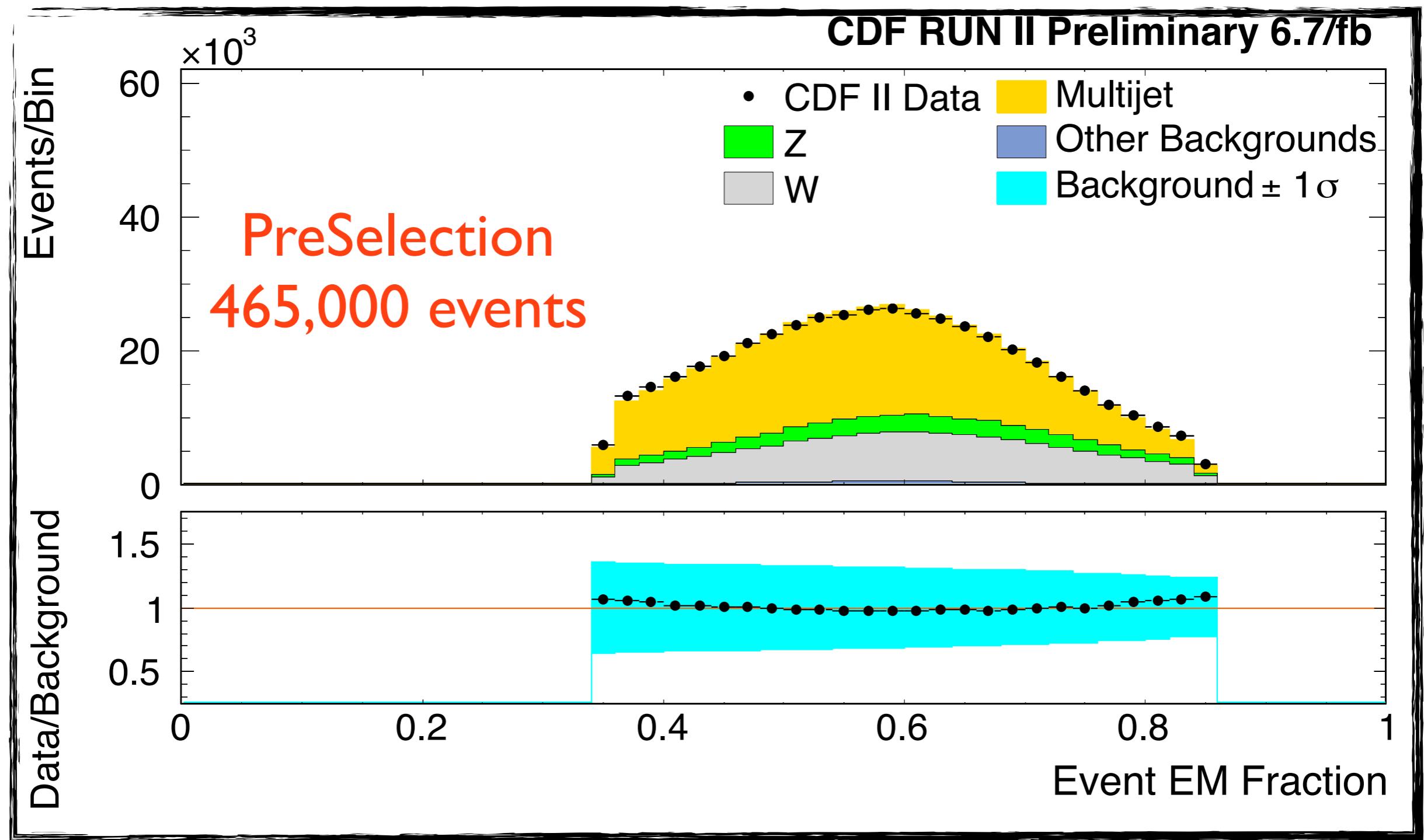
$$\text{Event } \text{EM}_{\text{frac}} = \frac{\sum_{\text{jets}} \text{E}_T * \text{EM}_{\text{frac}}^{\text{jet}}}{\sum_{\text{jets}} \text{E}_T}$$



Cosmic rays or events with calorimeter deposits out of time with bunch crossings

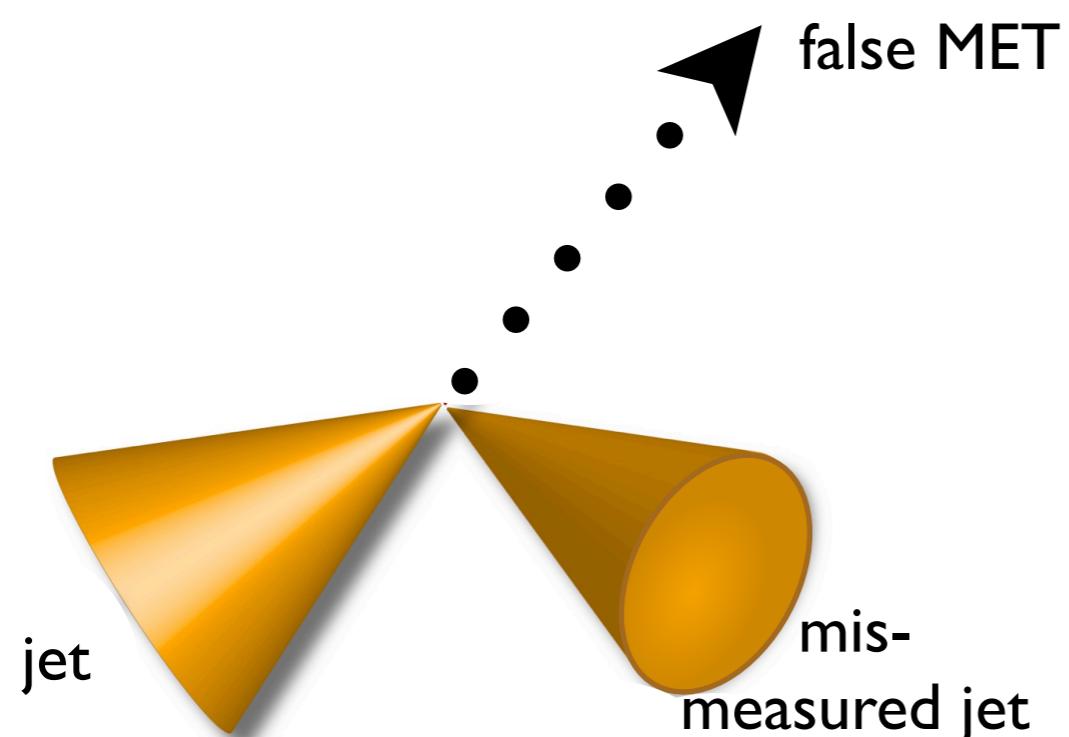
Non-Collision Rejection

- After Veto :



QCD Multijet Rejection

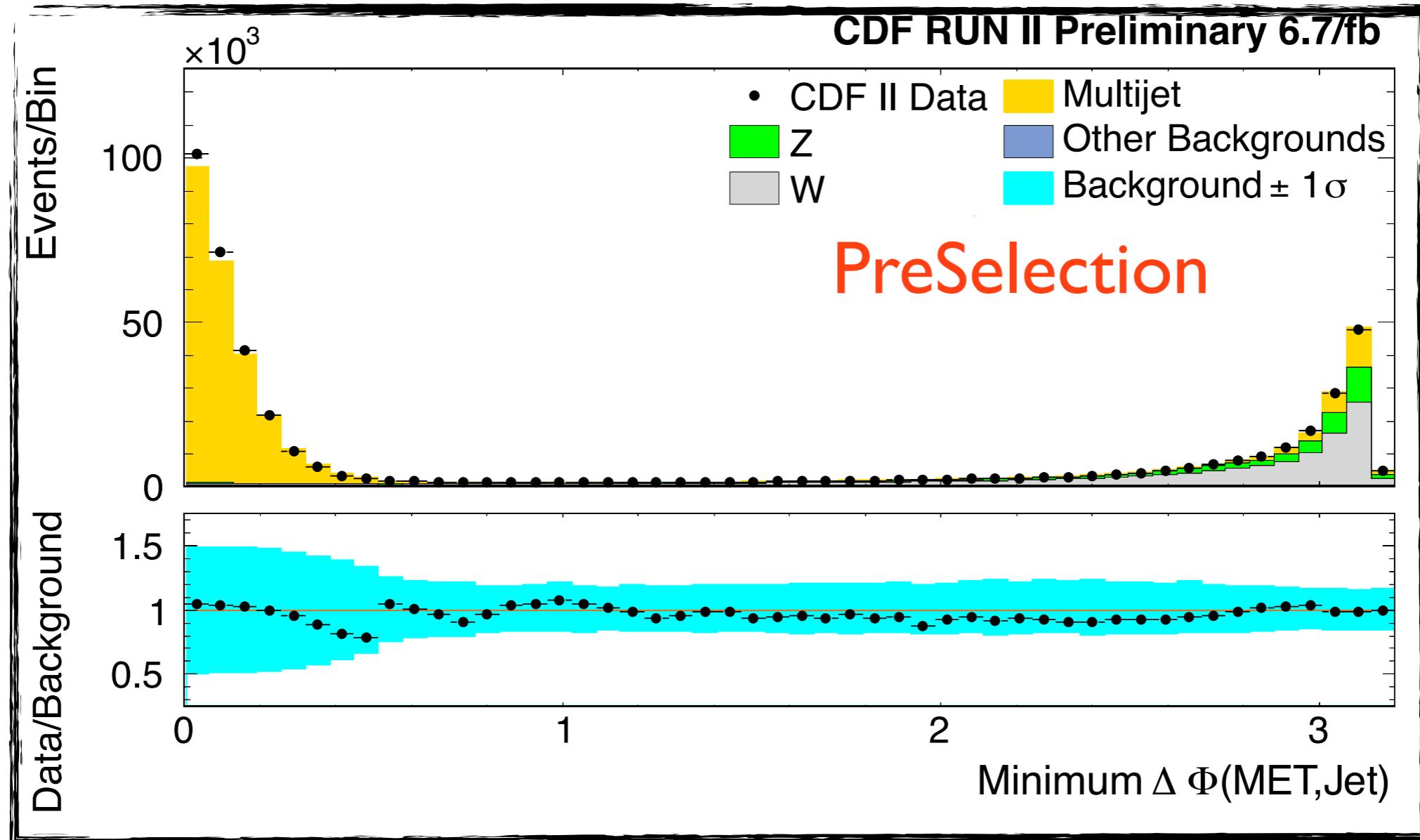
- After non-collision sources, multijet events are the next largest background to a monojet search
- Enter monojet selection due to mis-measurement or mis-reconstruction of 2 or 3 jet events, meaning any model will have large systematic uncertainties and dilute sensitivity to a signal



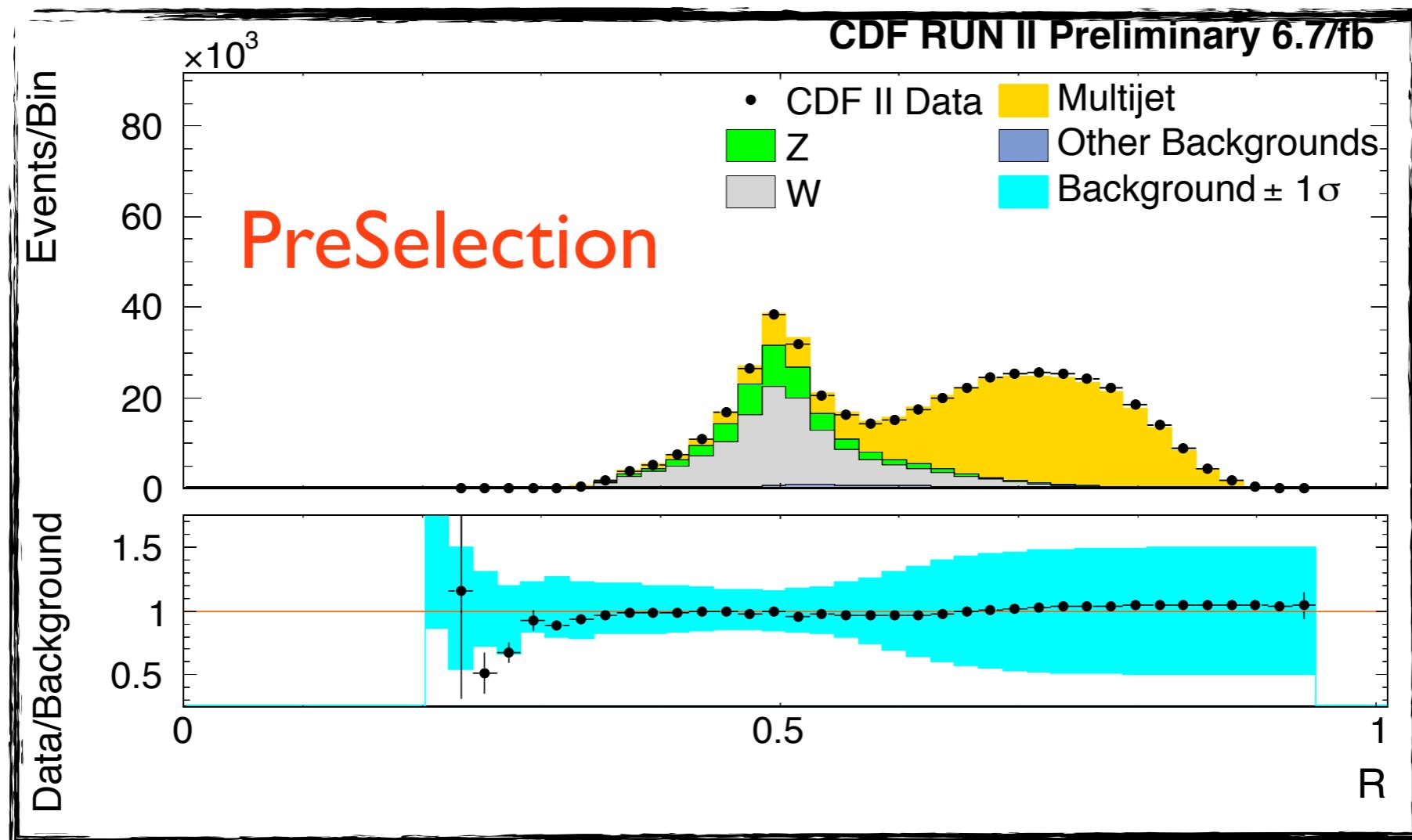
Key Characteristics

- Imbalance in the ratio of jet E_T to missing transverse energy
- Missing transverse energy closely aligned with the jet

QCD Multijet Rejection



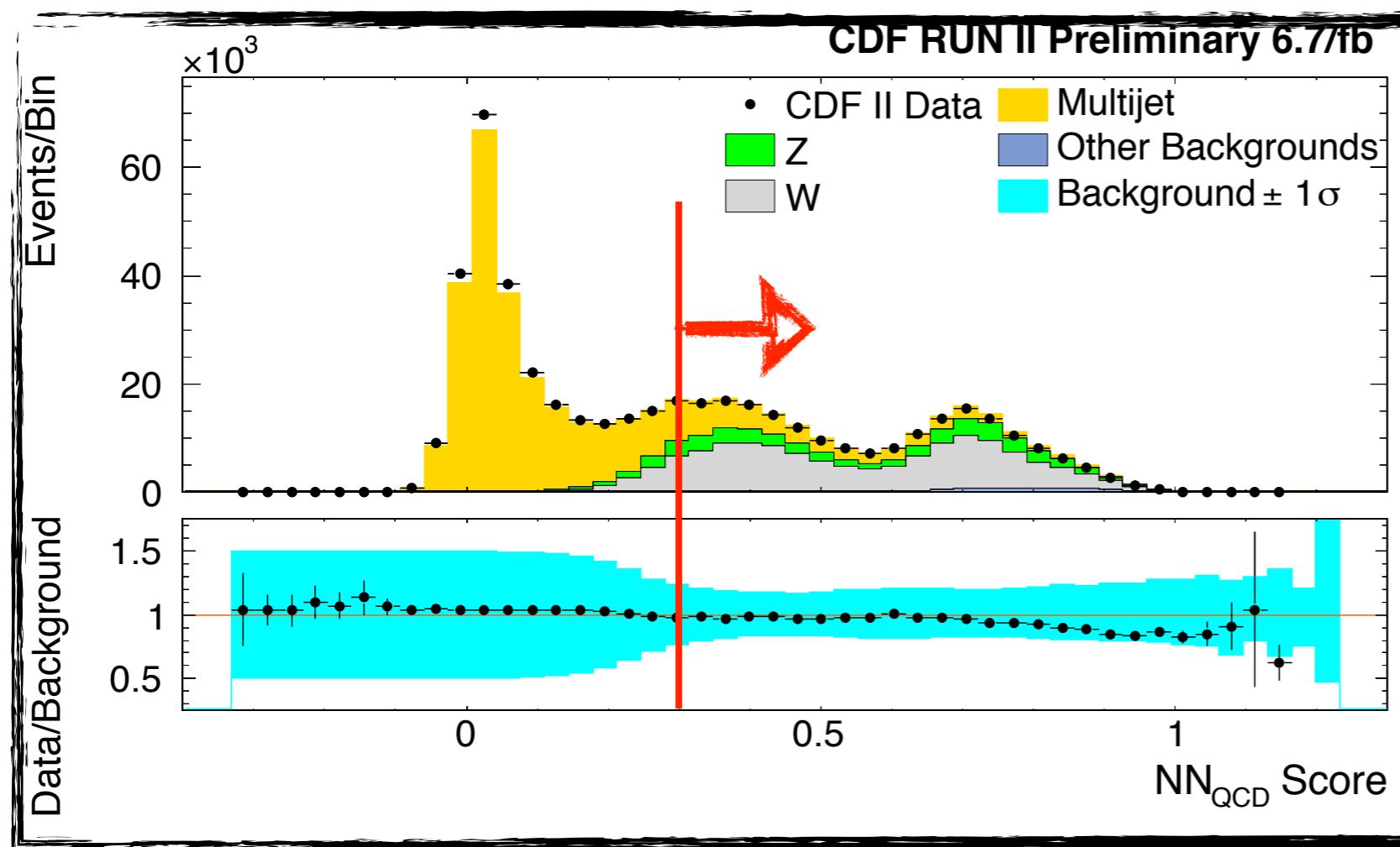
QCD Multijet Rejection



$$R = \frac{\sum_{\text{jets}} |E_T|}{\sum_{\text{jets}} |E_T| + |\text{MET}|}$$

Neural Network Multijet Rejection

- Combine quantities that distinguish QCD events from other backgrounds into a single discriminant.
- Train network to separate QCD-data from a combination of simulated Z and W events



Require $NN_{QCD} > 0.3$

~90% Signal efficiency
~80% Multijet rejection

Compared to cuts alone,
NN increases signal
efficiency by ~10% for
the same QCD rate

Multijet Model

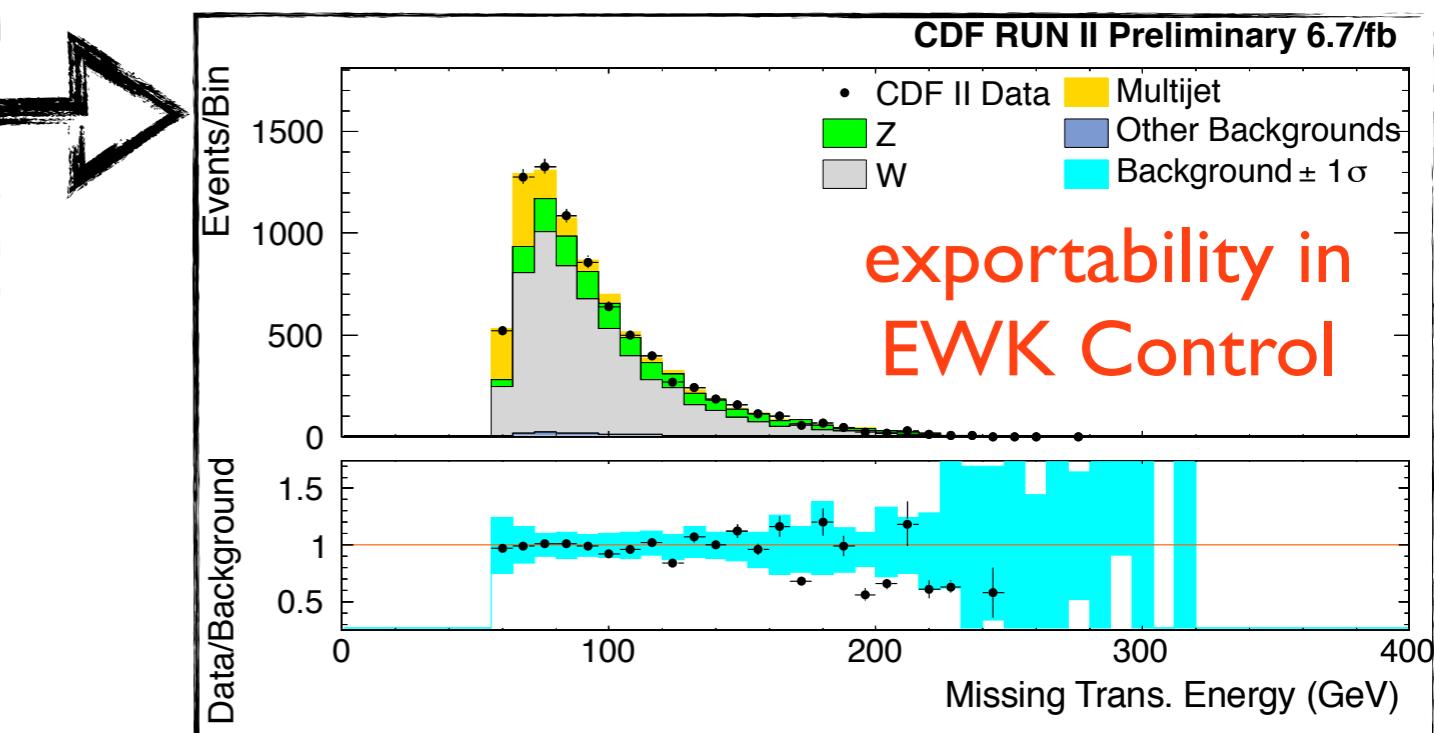
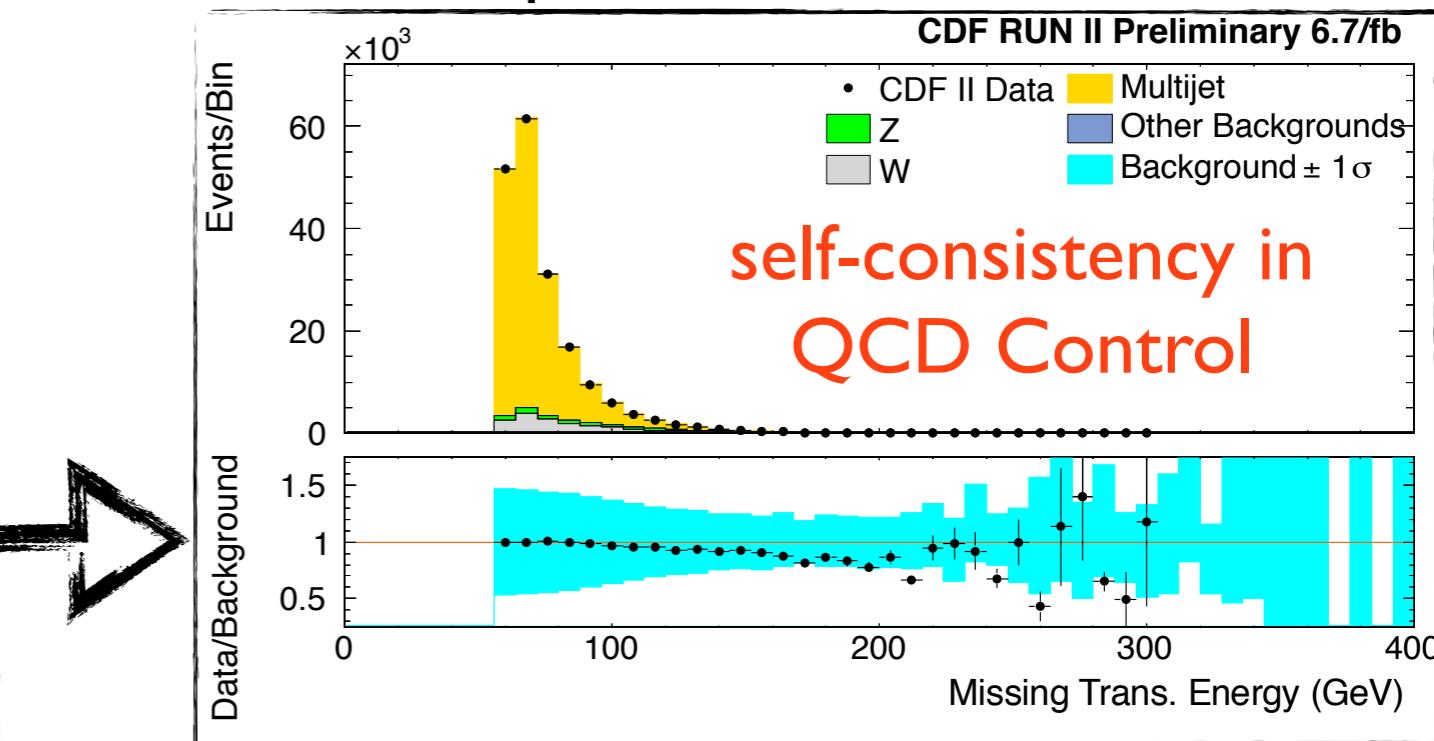
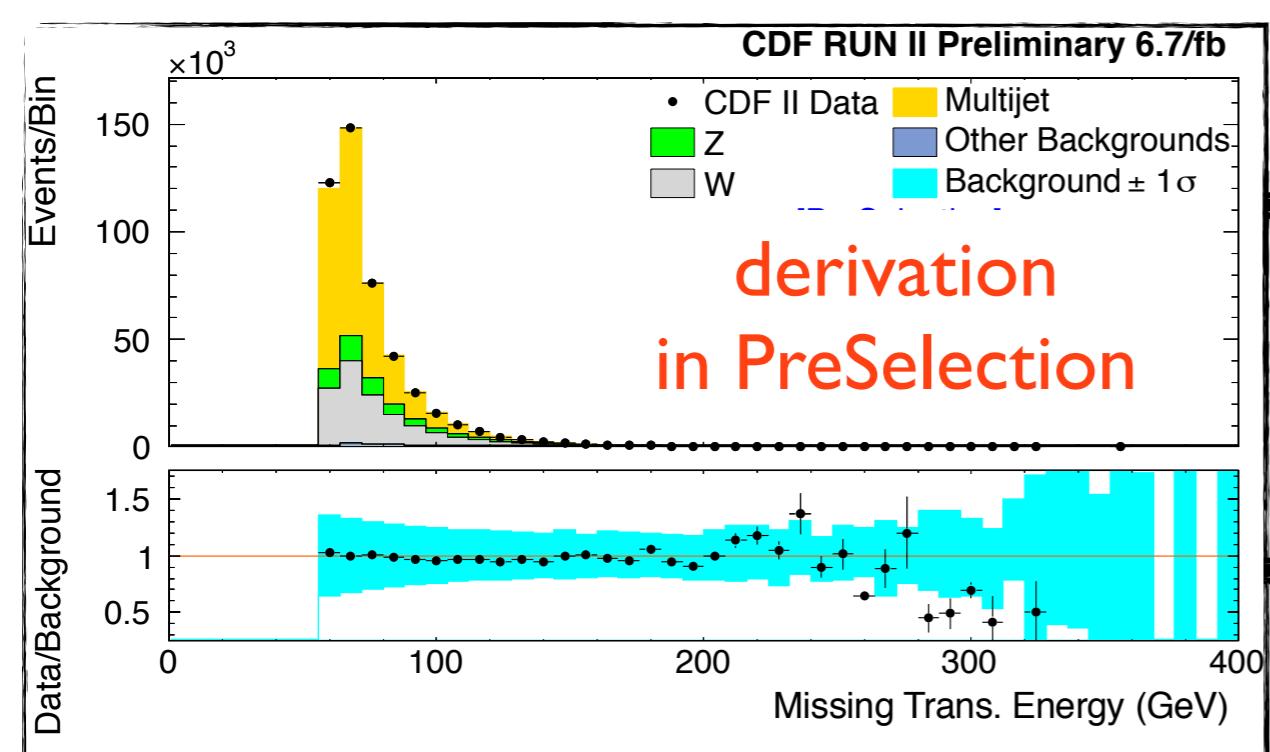
- Multijet background is largely **instrumental** making simulation difficult.
- Instead we use a **data-driven** approach in which we form a binned parameterization (in 6 parameters) of the likelihood that an event is a multijet event :

$$\text{Multijet Probability(6 parameters)} = \frac{\# \text{ of Data Events} - \text{Expected MC Contribution}}{\# \text{ of Data Events}}$$

- To estimate the **shape** of the multijet component of any observed distribution, we weight each contributing event by its multijet probability
- The **normalization** of the multijet component is set by sideband fits

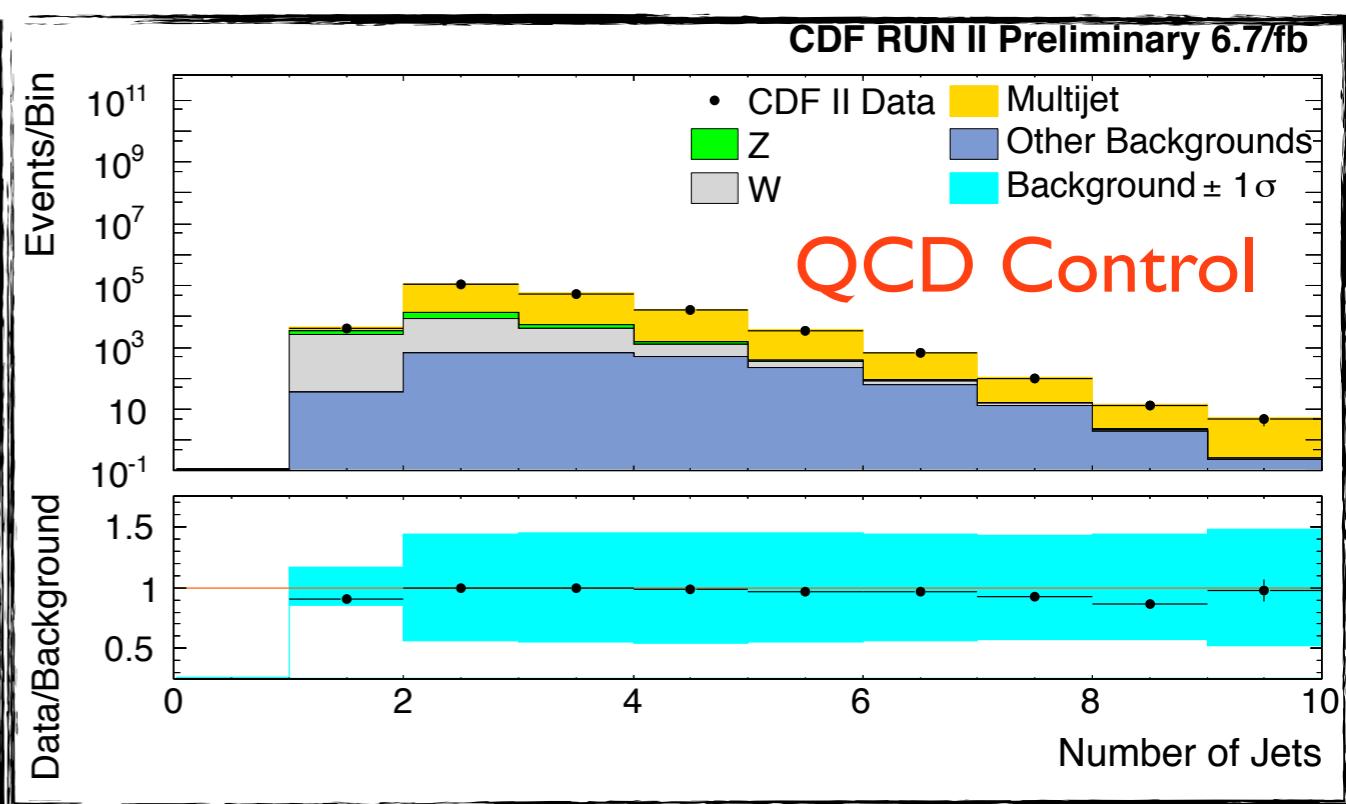
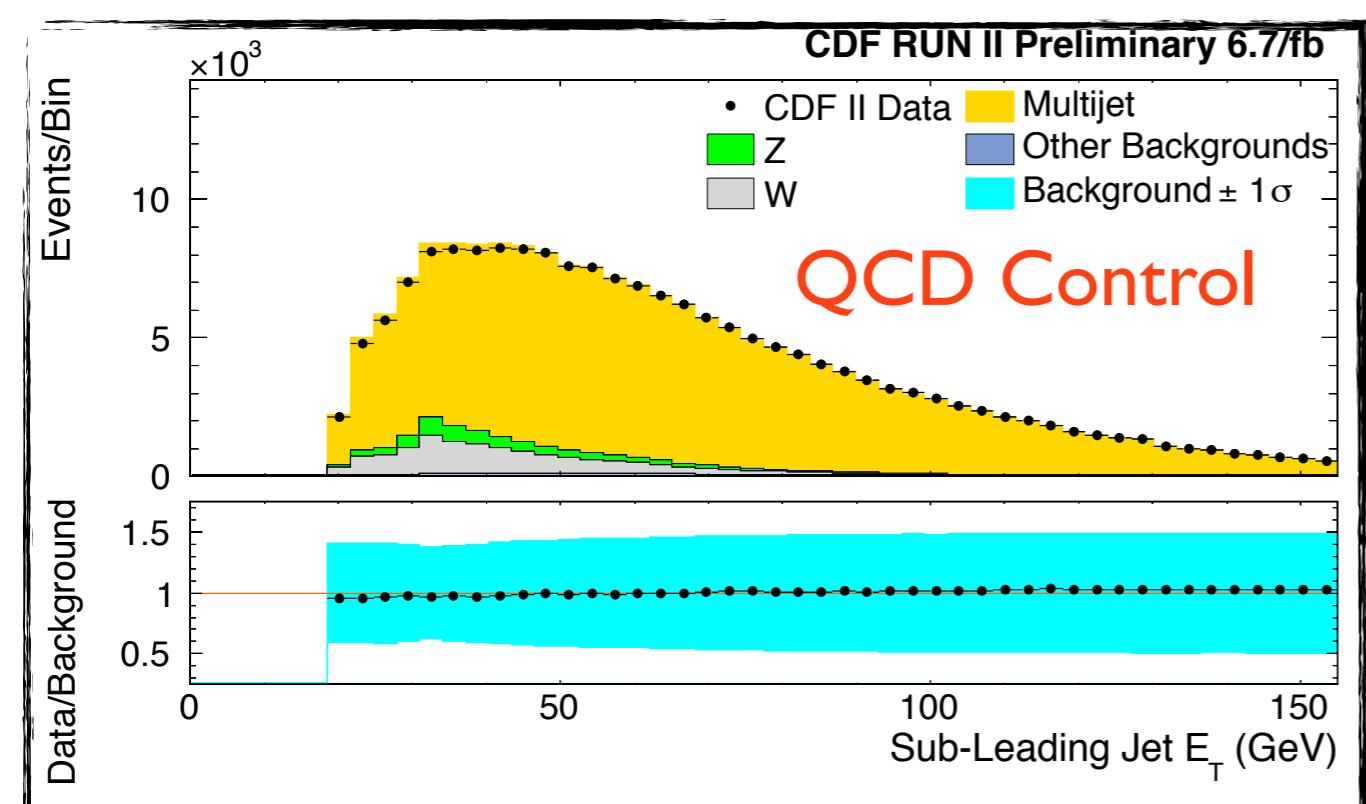
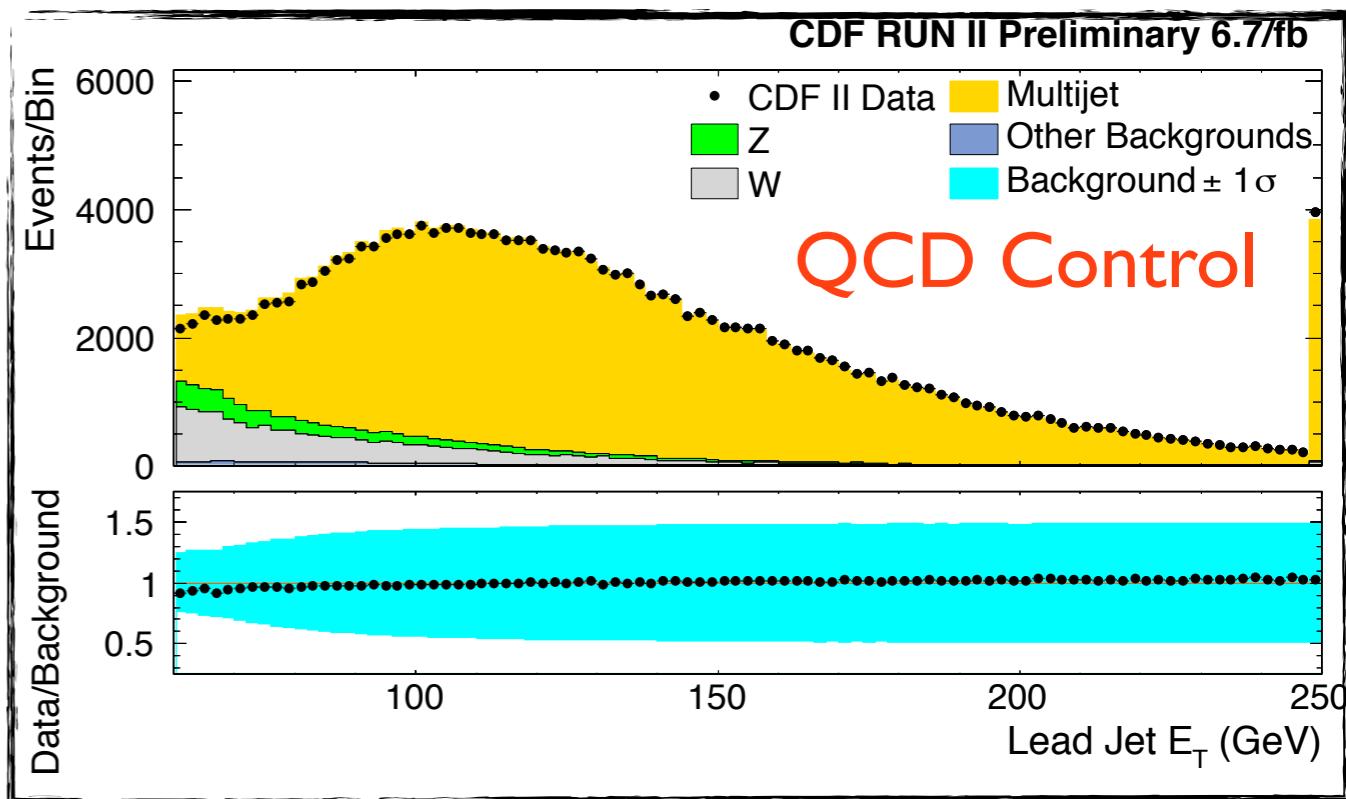
Multijet Model

- Multijet probability parameterization is formed in a superset of the QCD control region



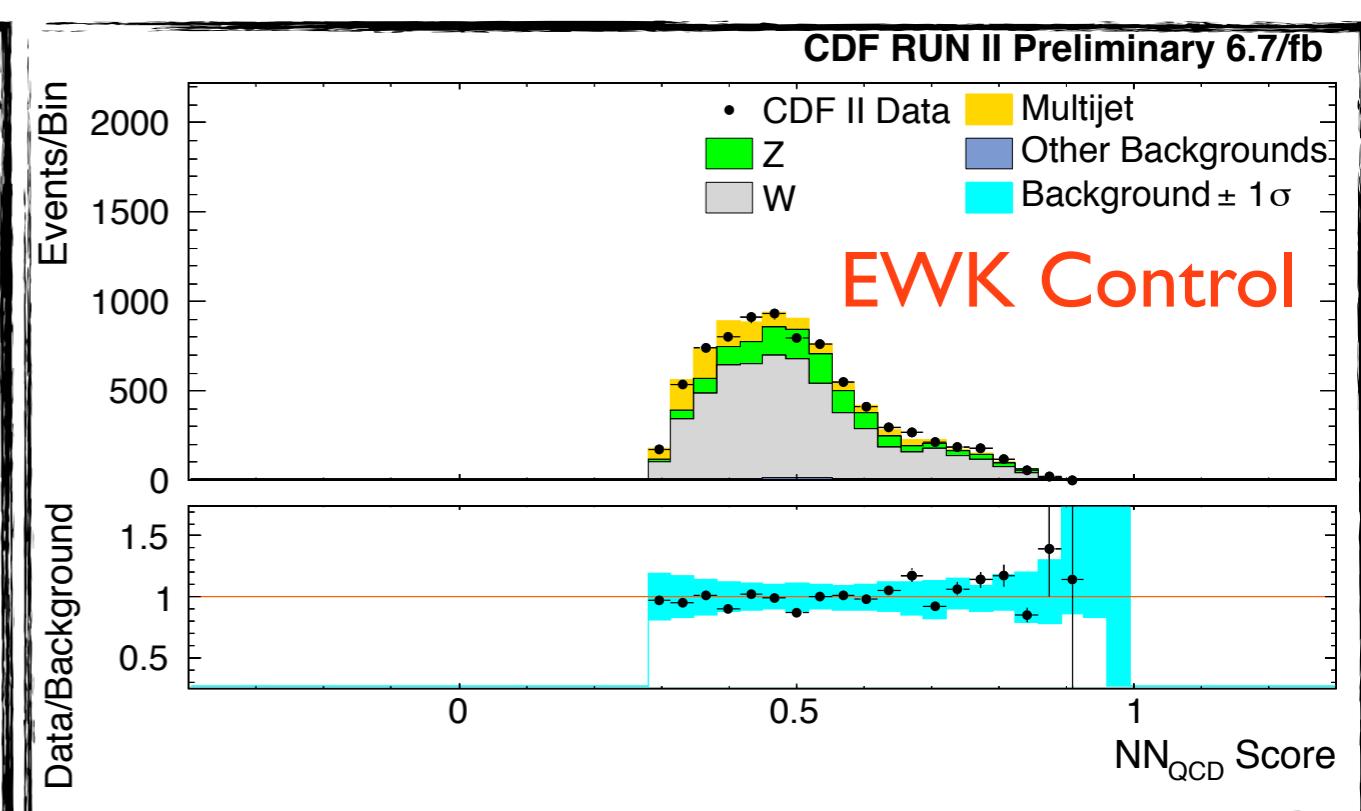
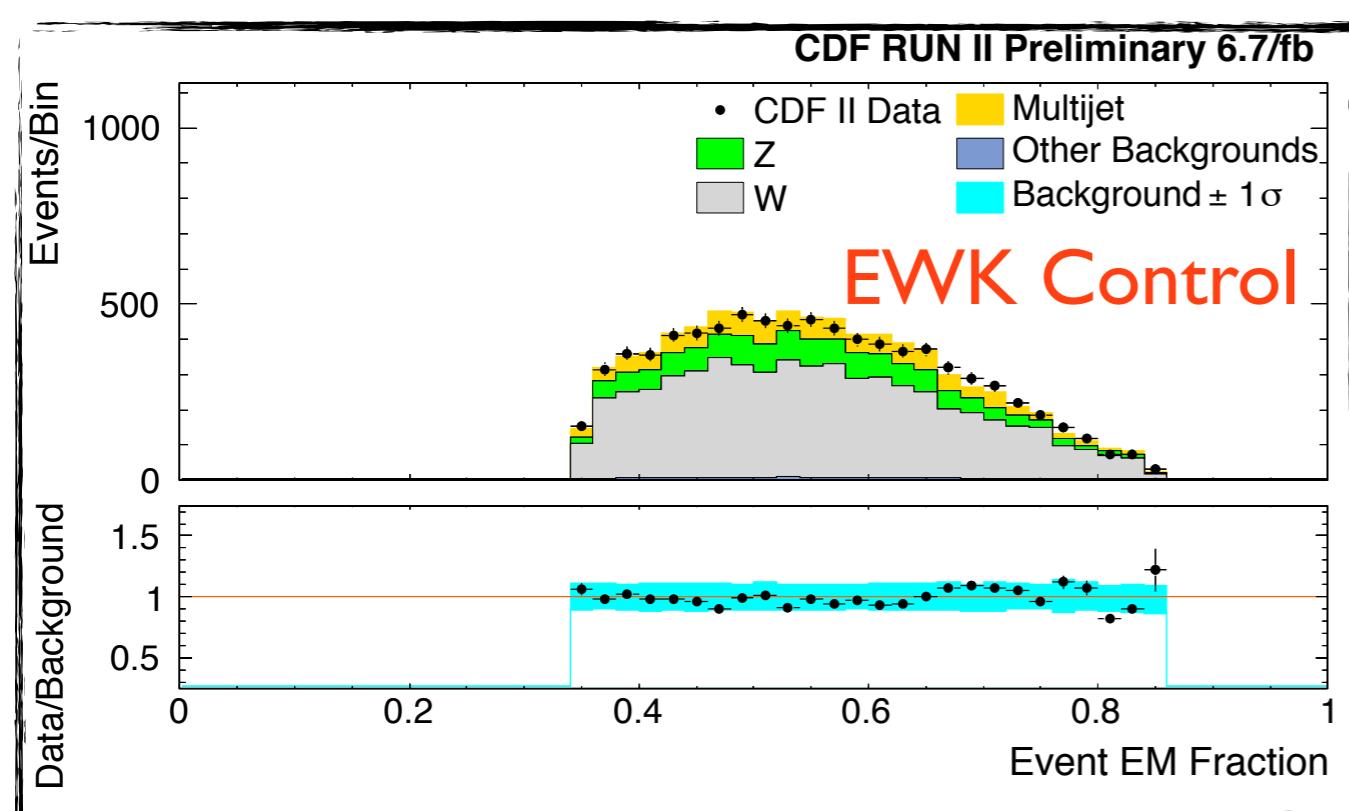
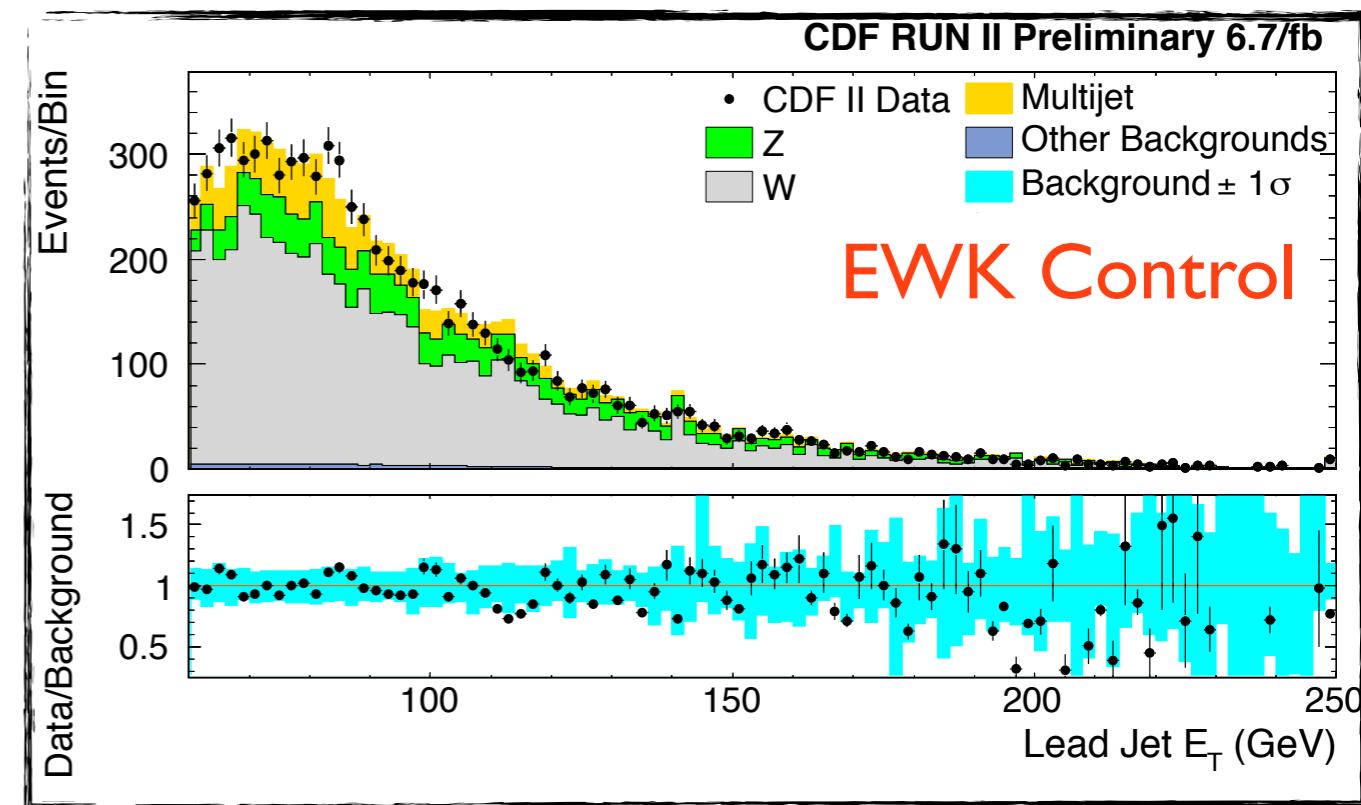
Model Validation (QCD Control)

- Invert cut on NN score or allow for extra jet activity



Model Validation (EWK Control)

- Identical to signal region except that we require at least one lepton with transverse momentum of at least 10 GeV/c



Expectations for the Signal Region

- Background total

– CDF Run II Preliminary 6.7 fb^{-1} –

Contribution	Signal Region
non-collision	6 ± 6
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W	27892 ± 3735
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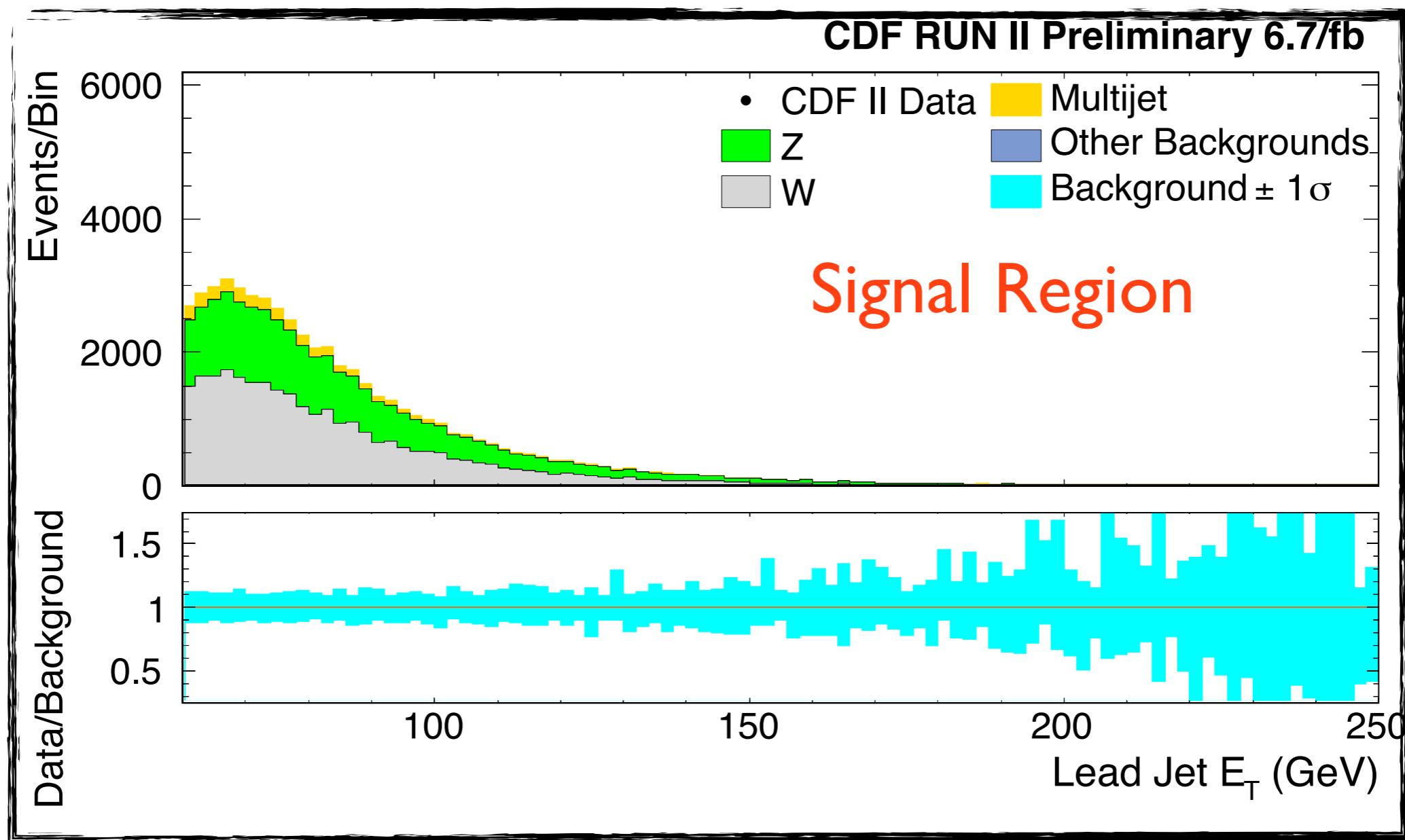
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4 orders of
magnitude!

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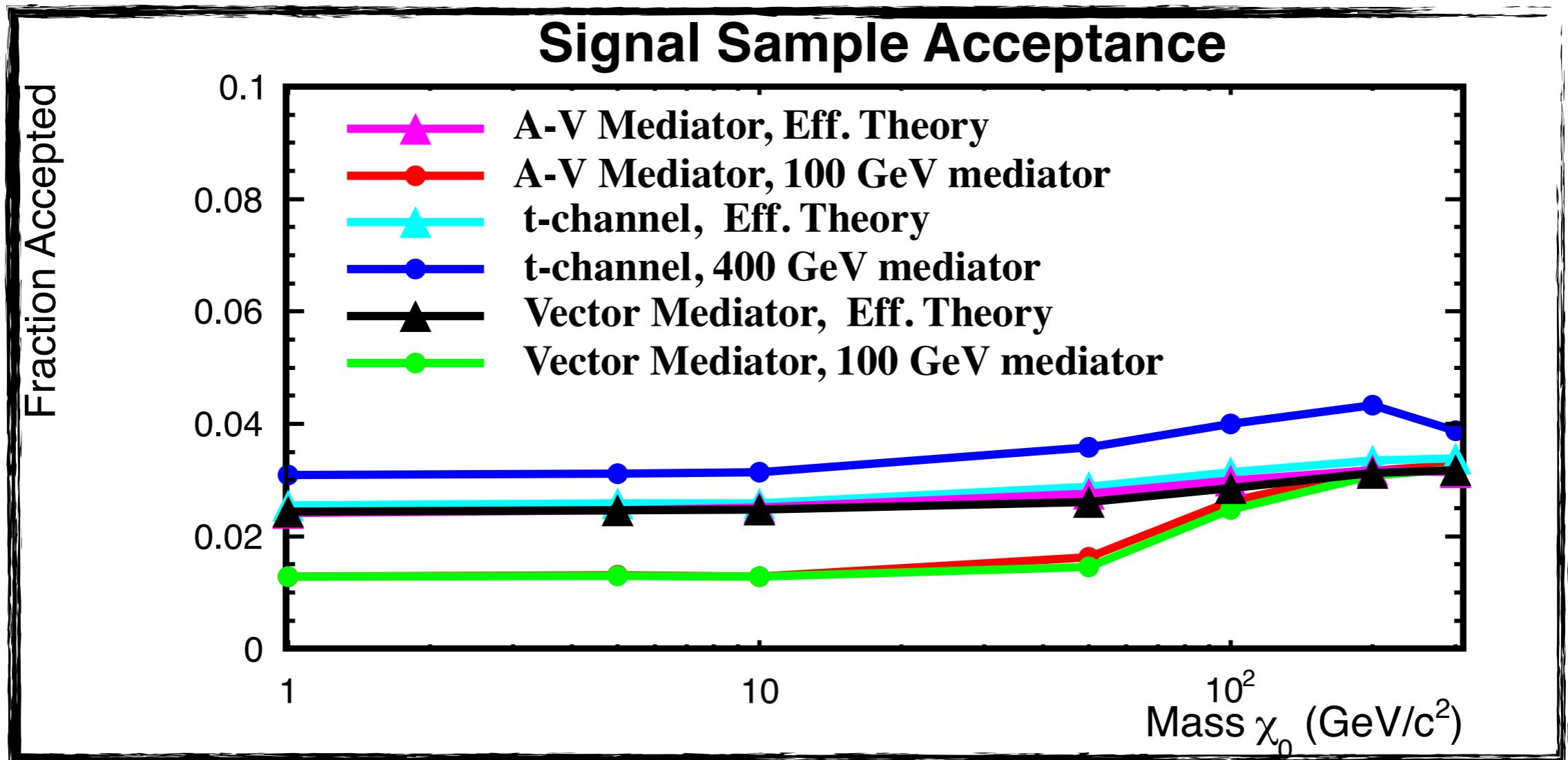
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over 90% W & Z

Signal Acceptance

- Signal region acceptance is $\sim 1\text{-}3\%$



- Assuming an arbitrary production rate of $\sim 1\text{ pb}$, this would translate into ~ 100 events in 6.7/fb

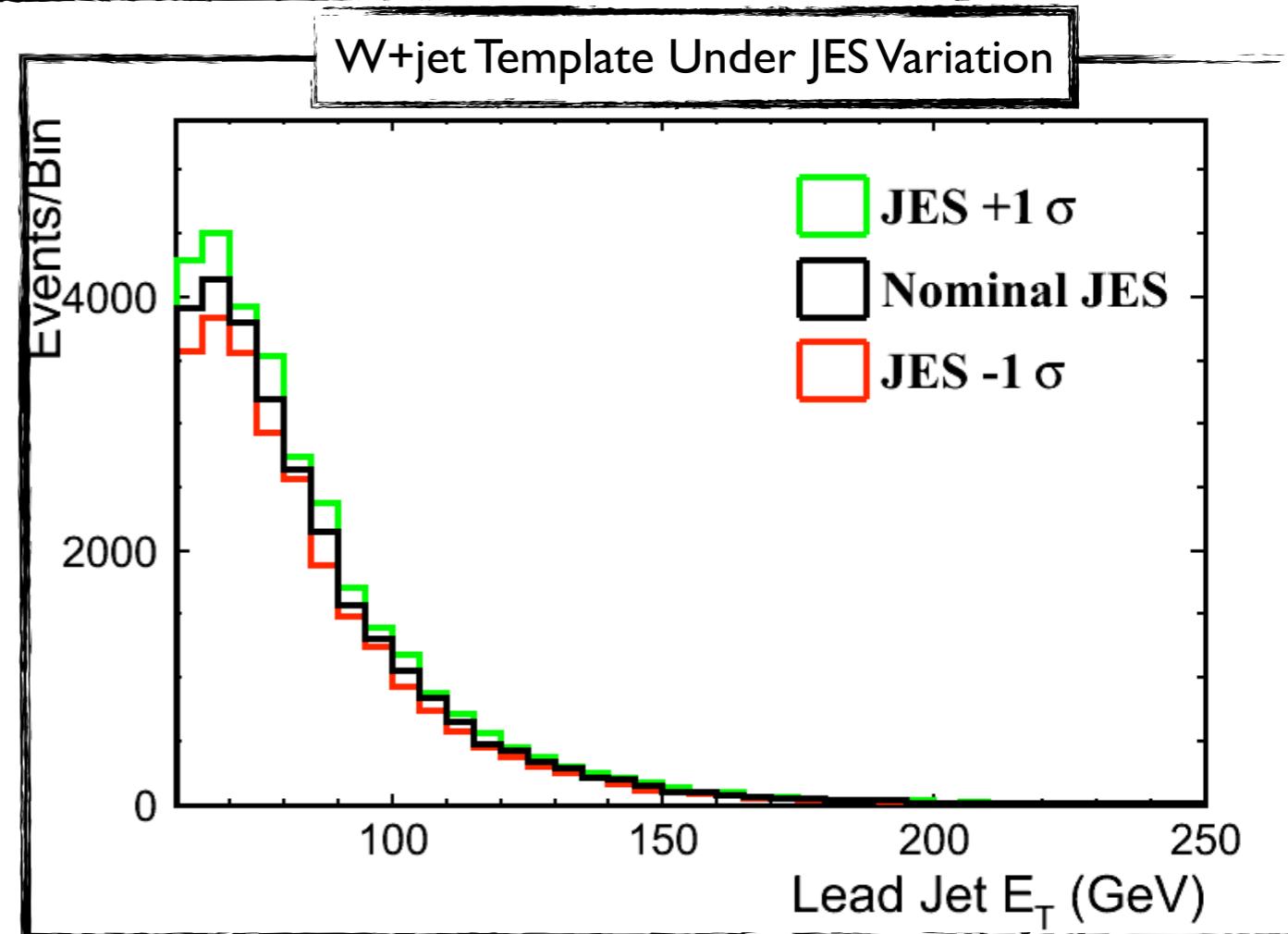
Systematic Uncertainties

Shape Systematics :

- Jet Energy Scale
- Multijet Background Shape

Rate Systematics :

- luminosity (6%)
- efficiency corrections (~2%)
- theoretical cross-sections (~10%)
- ISR/FSR (~1.4%)
- PDF uncertainties (1-3%)
- Multijet Normalization (50%)



Vary kinematic quantities/normalizations under the effect of a systematic and propagate effects through to templates of the lead E_T jet

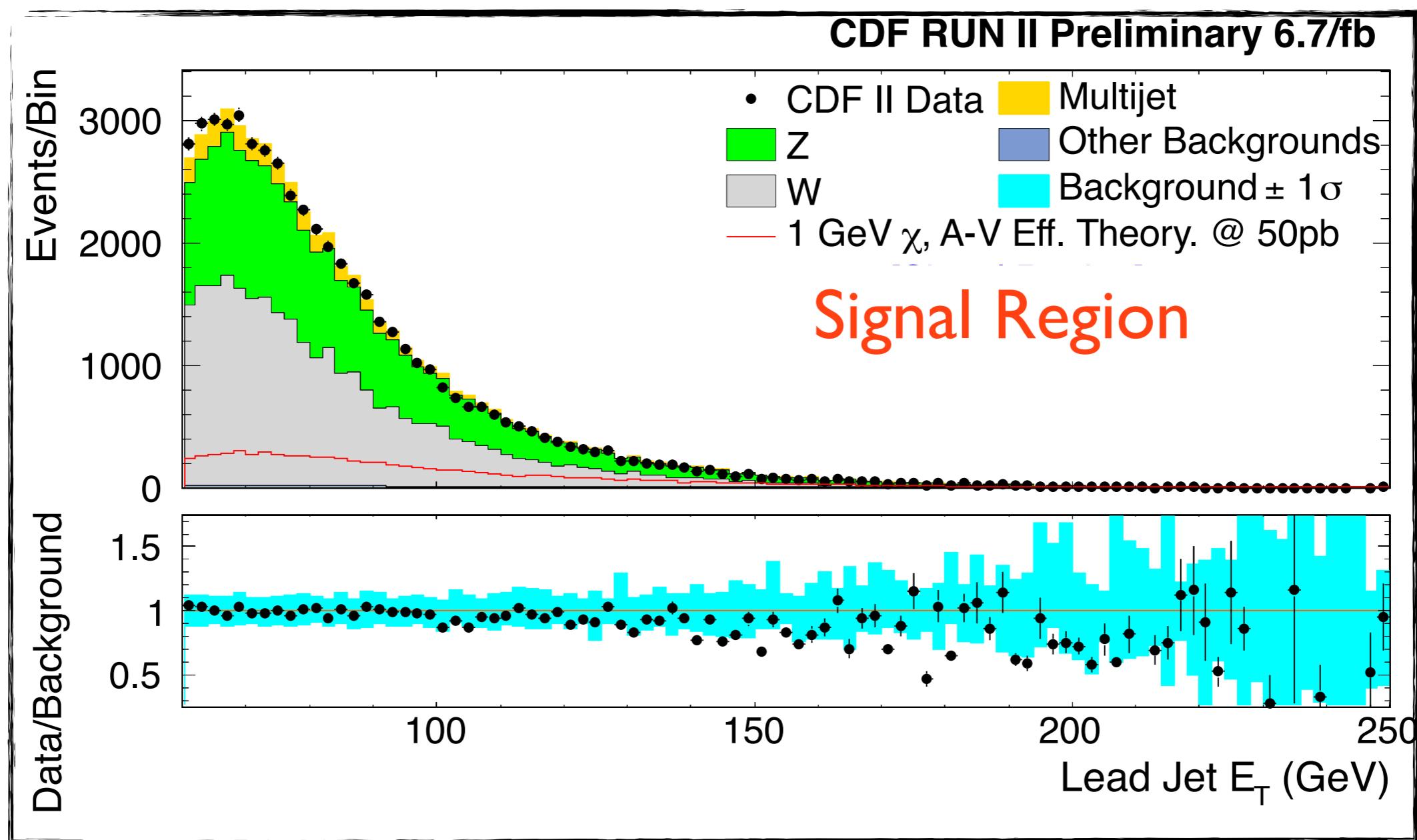
Will use the lead ET jet shape to extract limits on dark matter production rate

Signal Region Data

- No excess over background expectation

observe 52,633

expect $54,000 \pm 6,000$

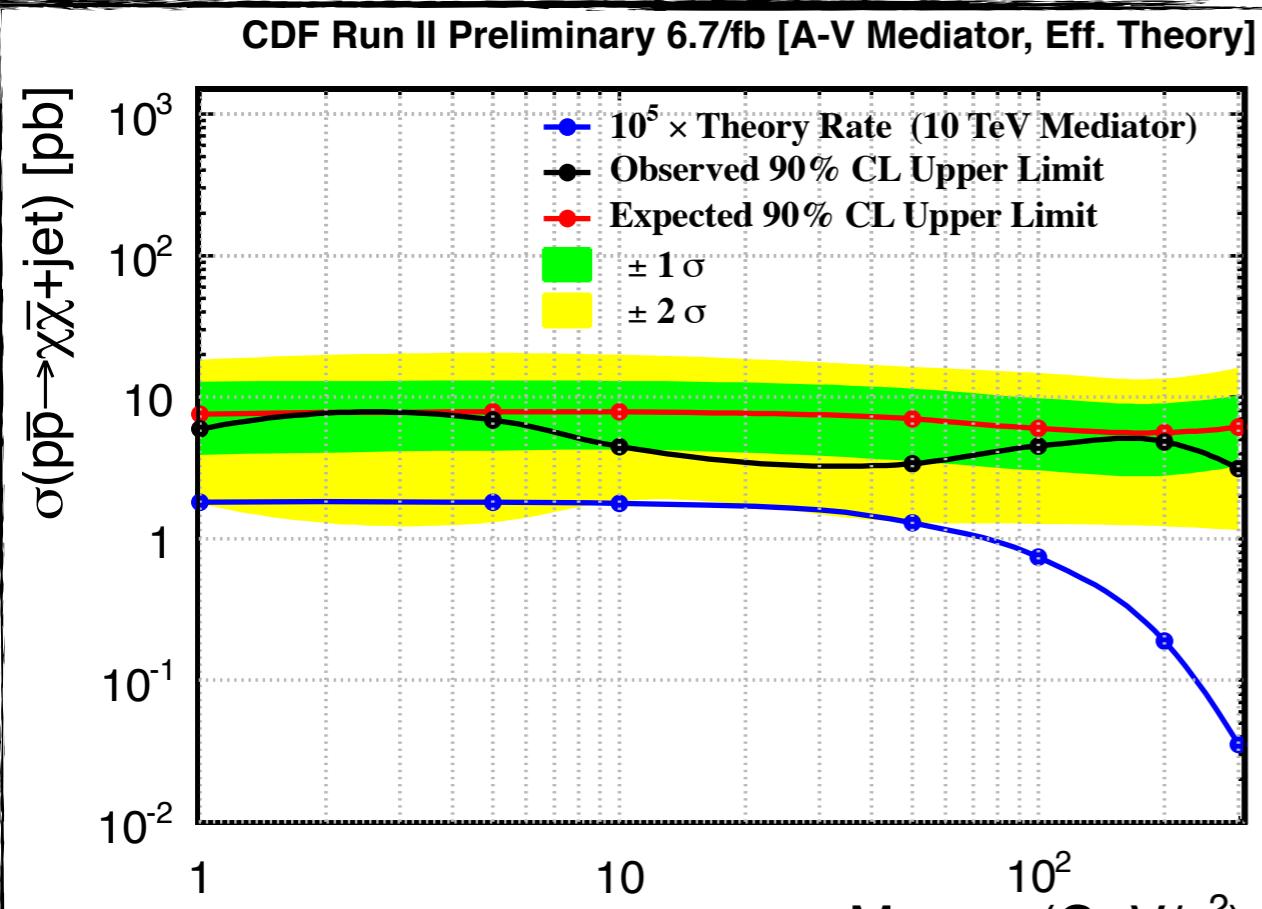


Limit Setting

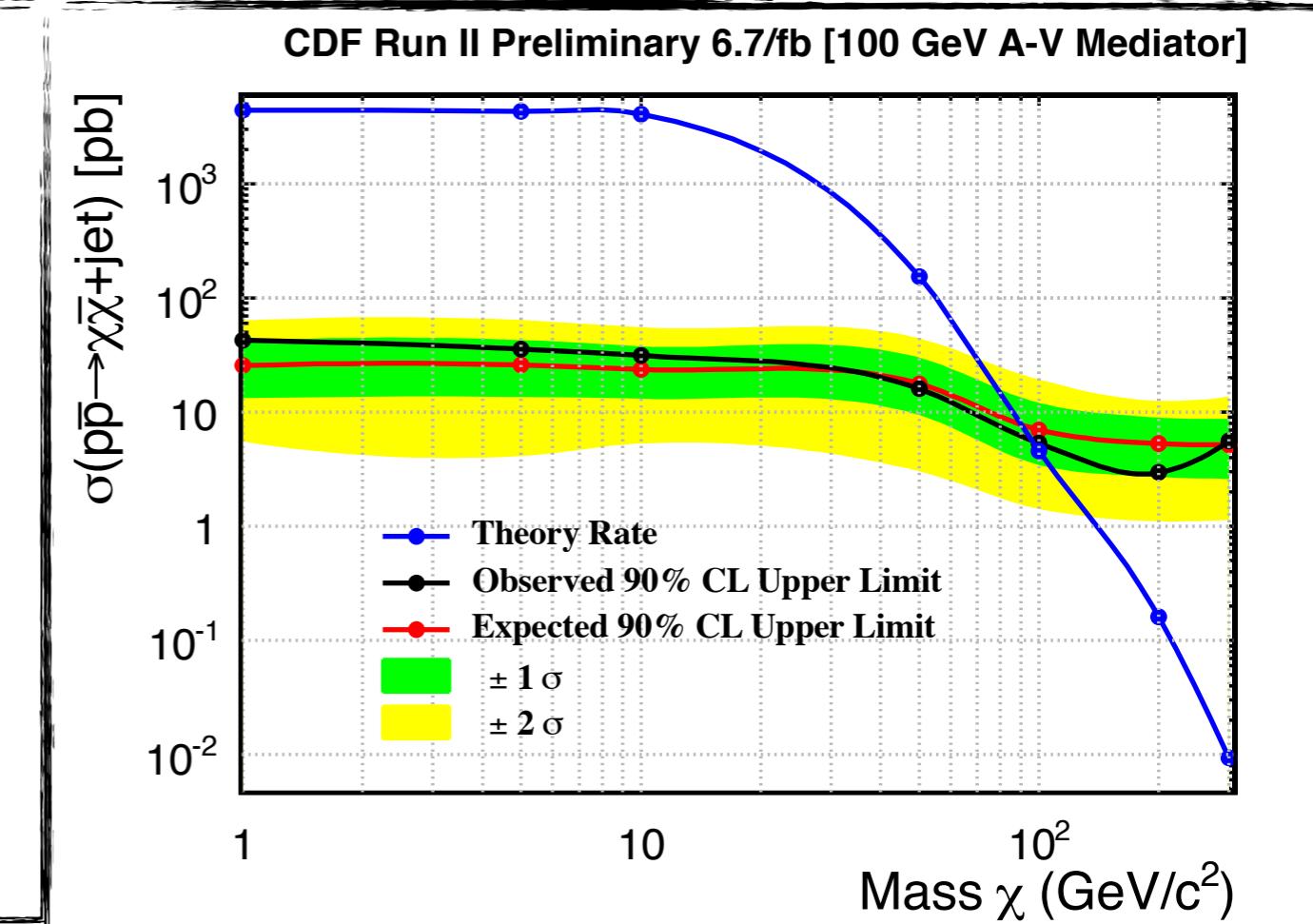
- Extract limits on the dark matter production rate using a Bayesian method
- Compute 90% CL upper limits for a series of background-only pseudo-experiments
 - Obtain median and ± 1 and $\pm 2 \sigma$ expectation on the upper limit
- Incorporate relevant systematics through their effect on the binned lead Jet E_T distributions for signal & backgrounds

Results

- 90% CL upper limits for Axial Vector mediated DM production



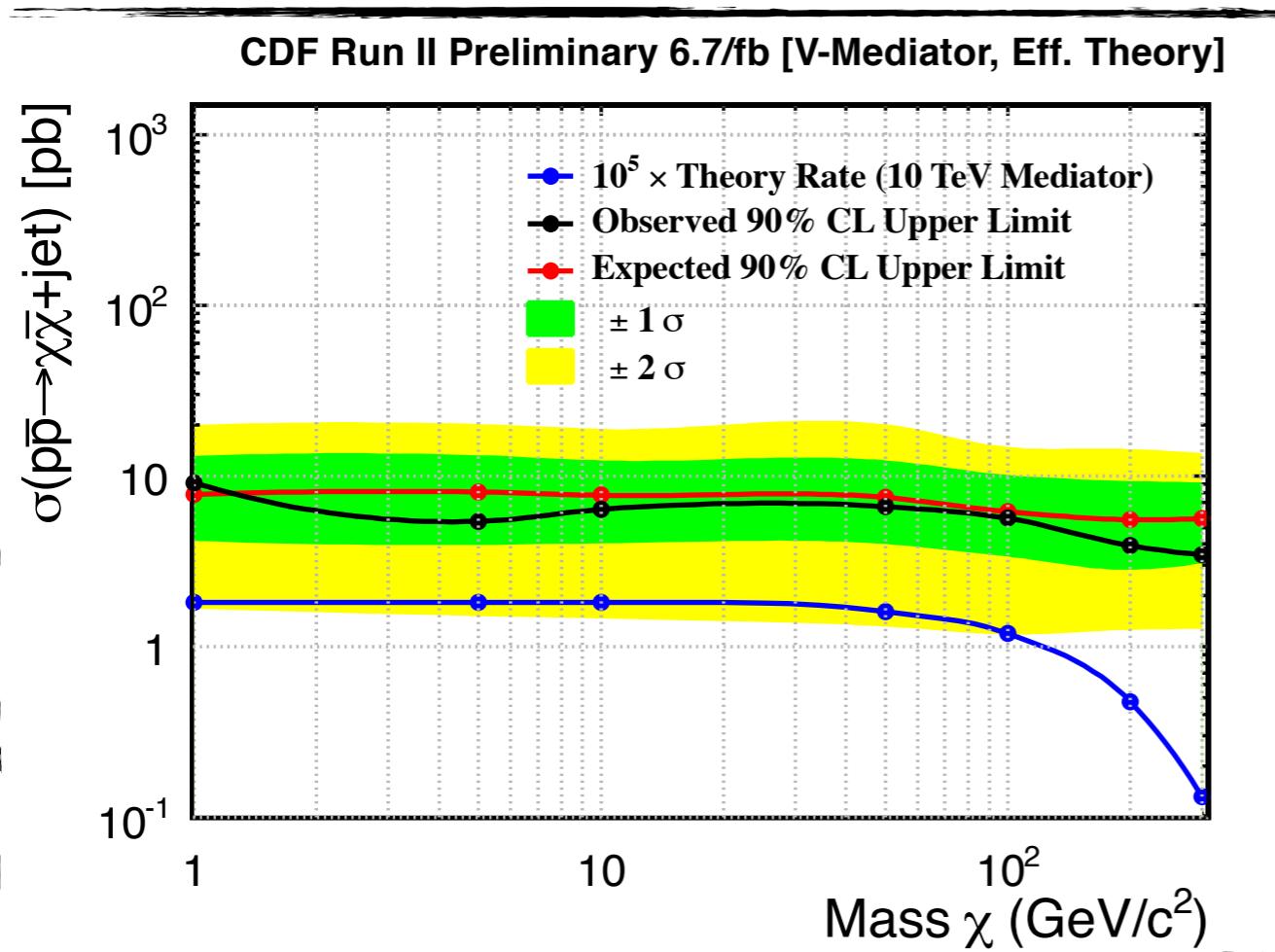
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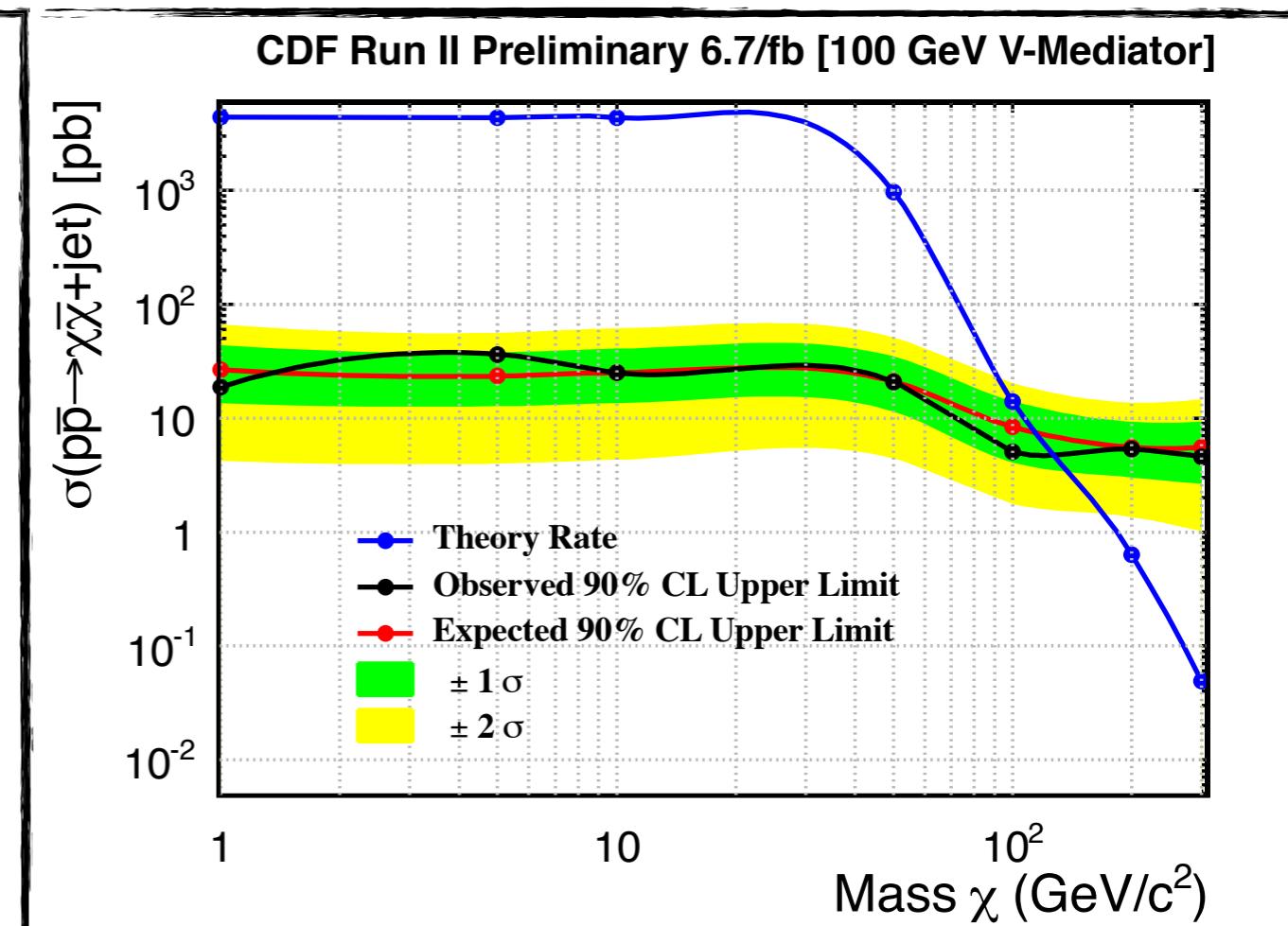
Light Mediator

Results

- 90% CL upper limits for Vector mediated DM production



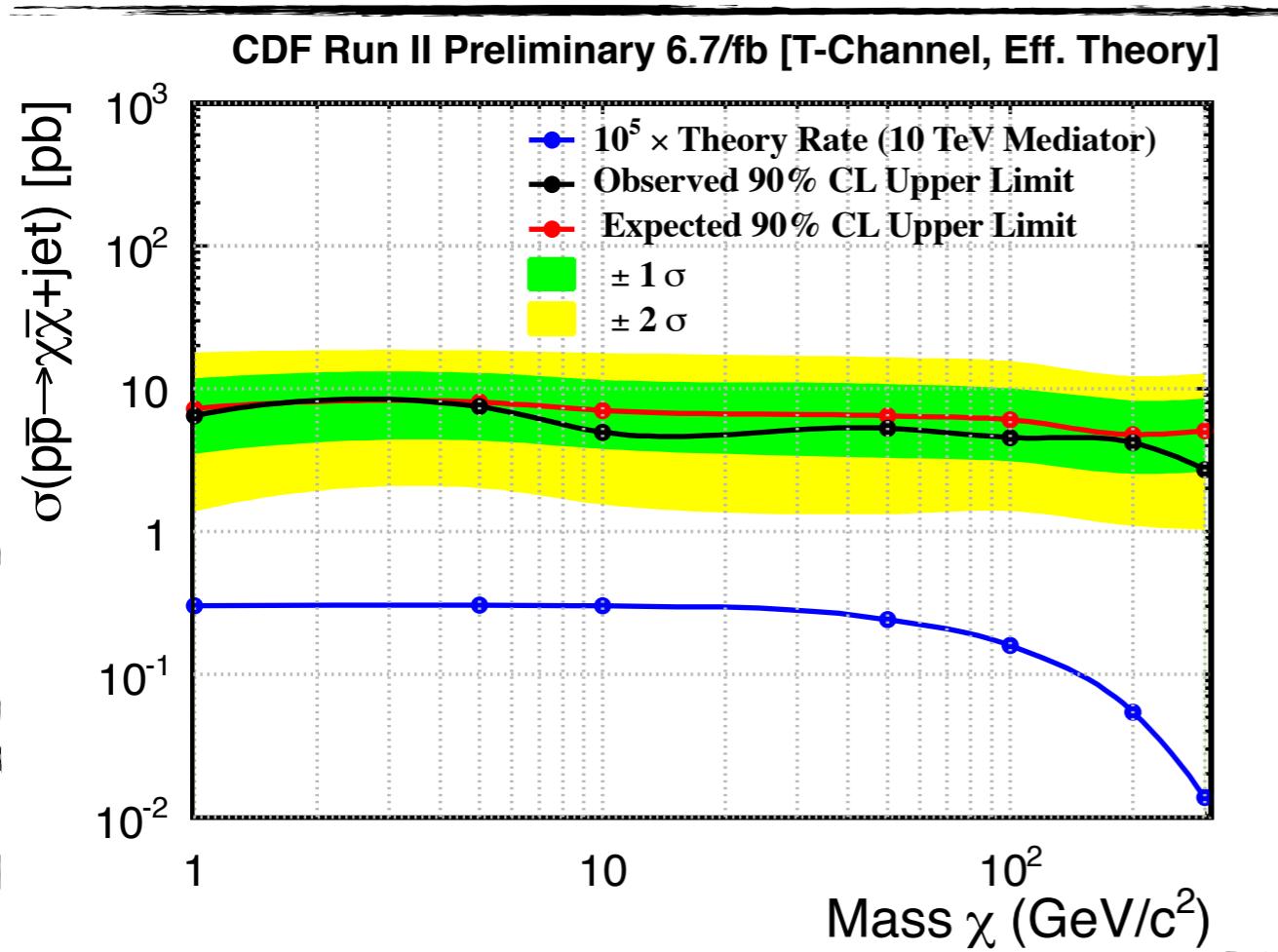
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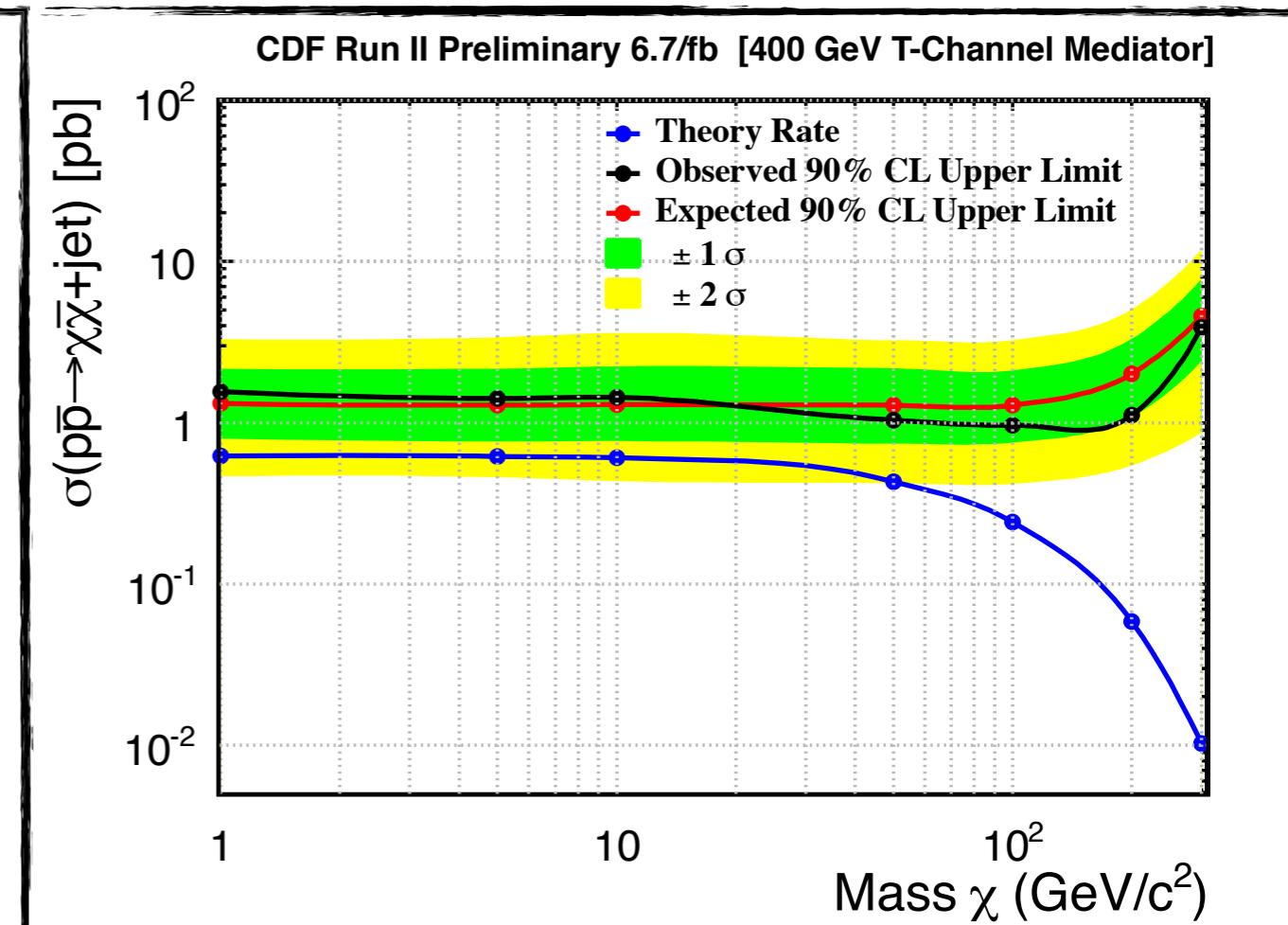
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- 90% CL upper limits for t-channel mediator exchange



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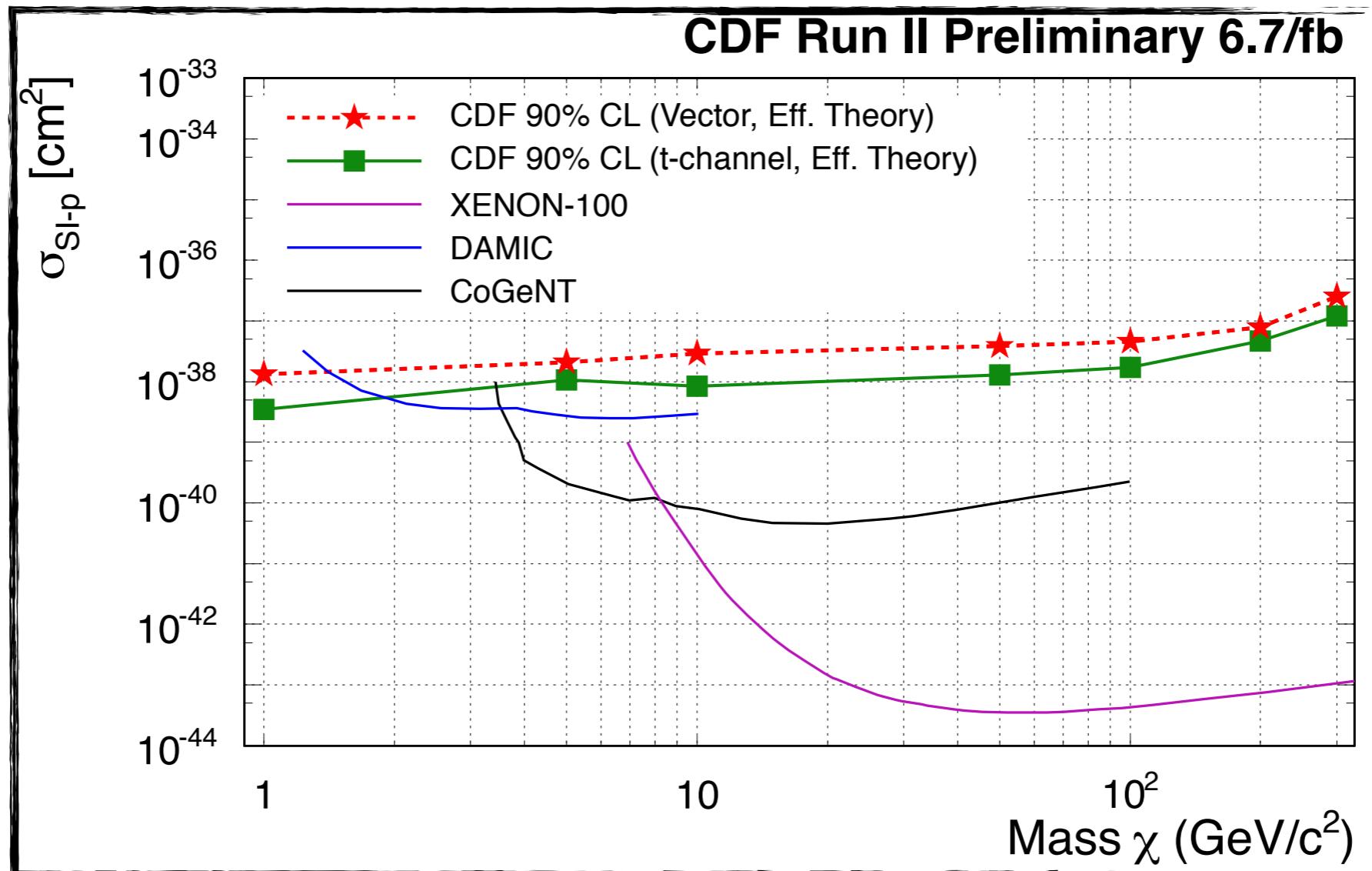


Light Mediator

- We have set limits on $\sigma[p\bar{p} \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi} + \text{jet}]$ of $\sim 1\text{-}40 \text{ pb}$

Comparison to Direct Detection

- Translation to Spin-Independent bounds on DM-nucleon scattering

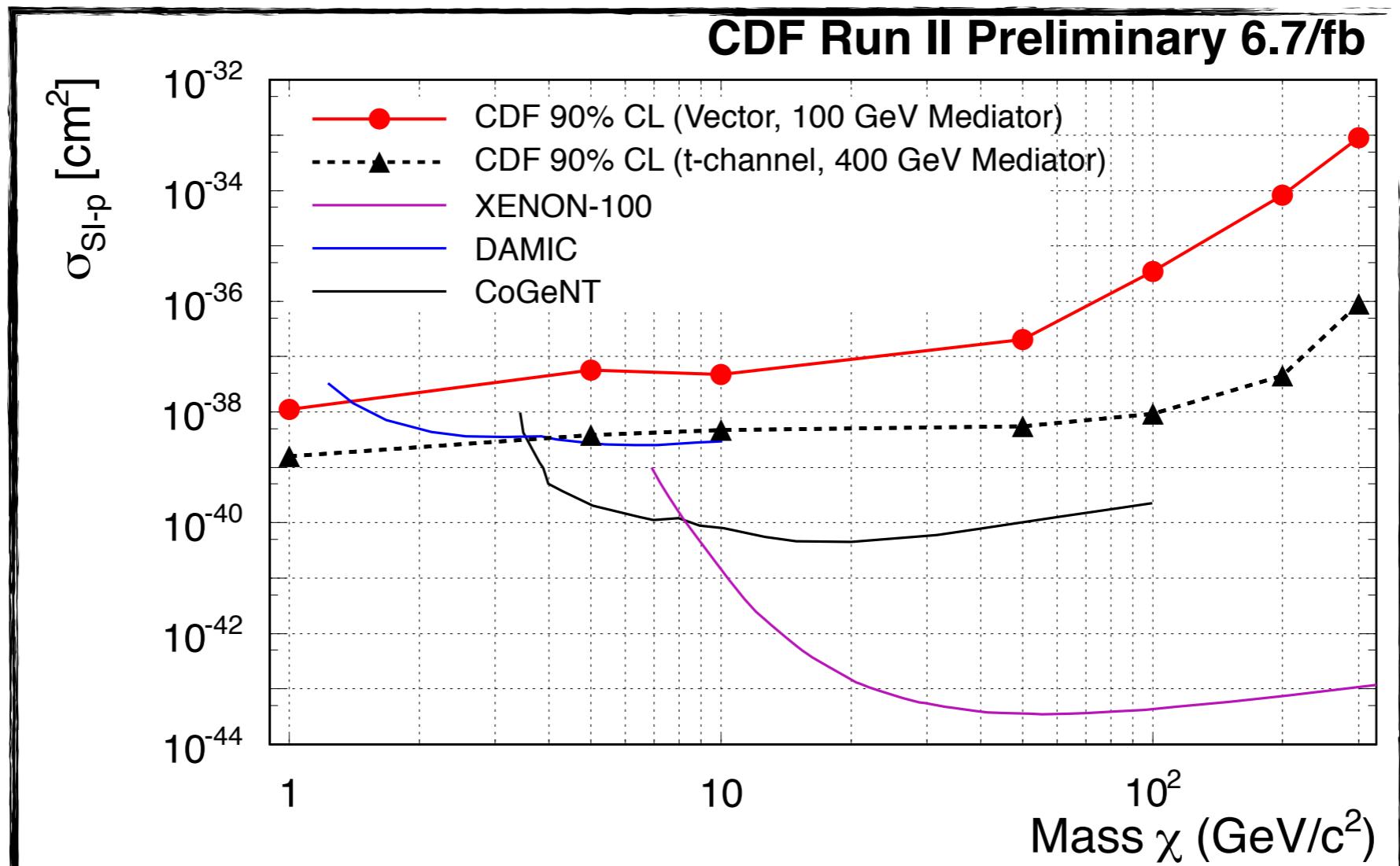


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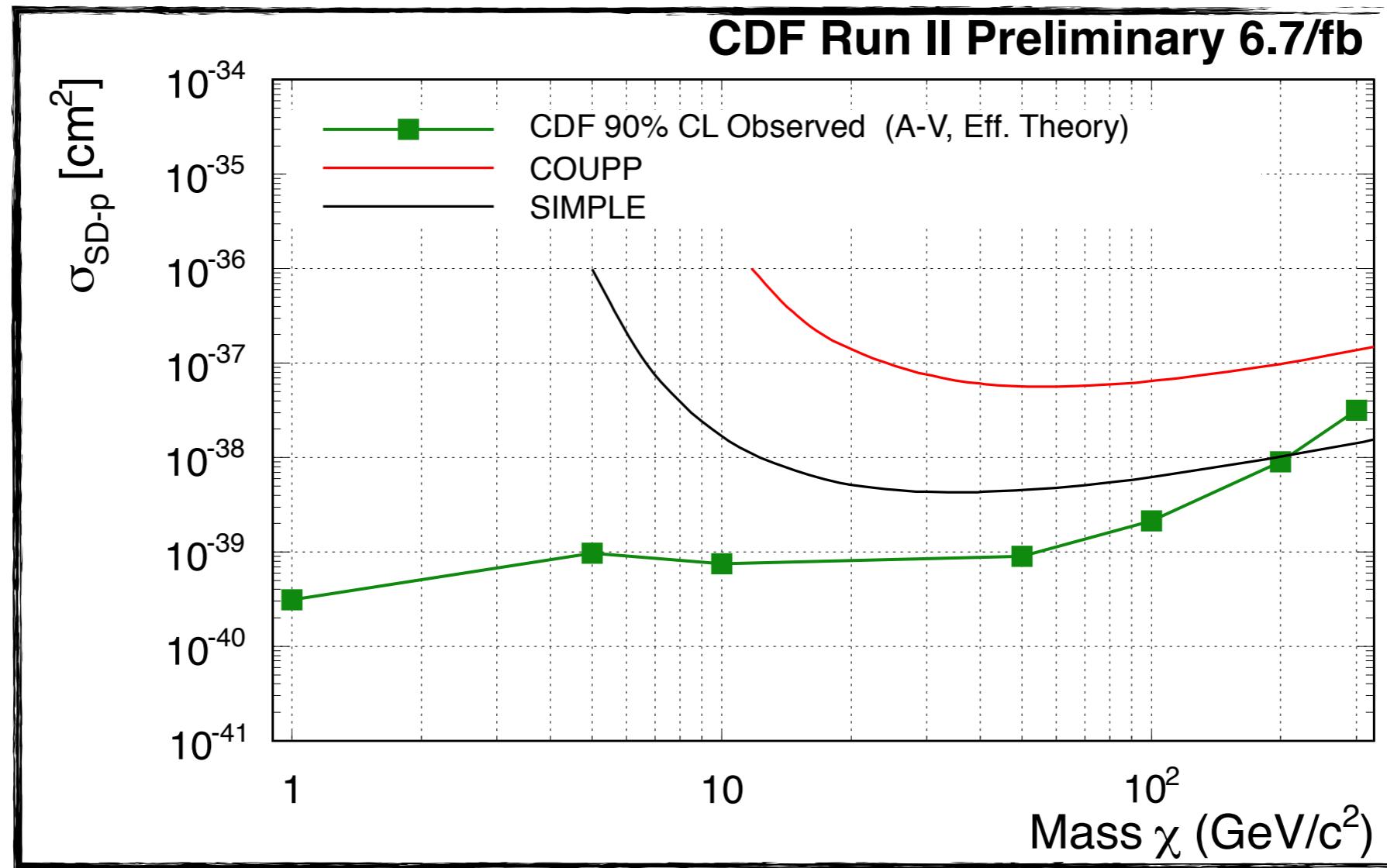
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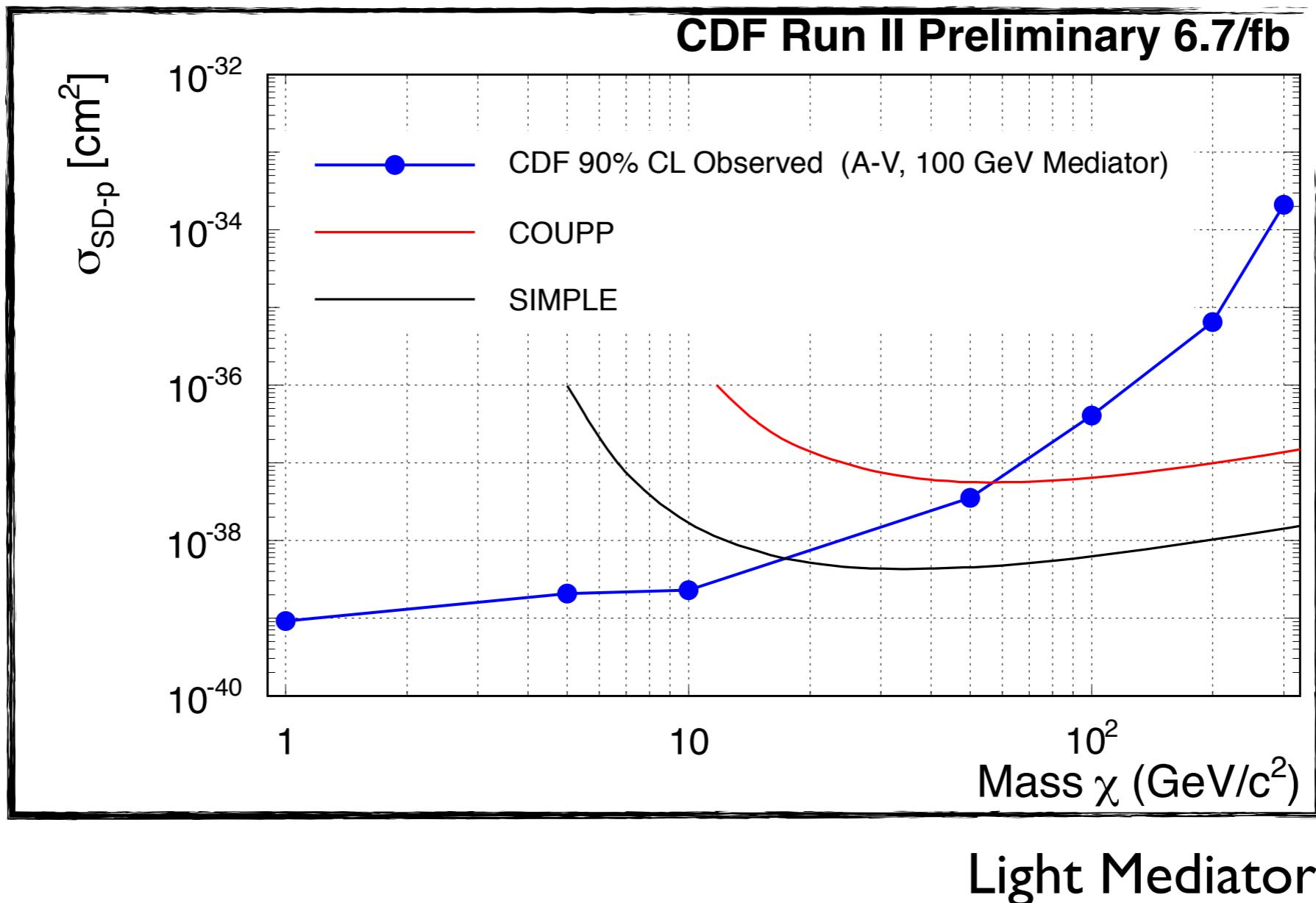
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Prospects

- Expect ~20% improvement with update to full CDF Run II dataset
- Dedicated ATLAS and CMS searches should be able to set strong limits and push to higher dark matter mass
- Stay tuned...

In Conclusion,

- Performed a search for dark matter production in the monojet + missing E_T signature
- No sign of dark matter above standard model backgrounds
- Set 90% CL upper limits on dark matter rate
- Translated limits into bounds on dark matter - nucleon scattering cross section.
- CDF is competitive with recent direct detection searches, and are stronger for some models & dark matter masses



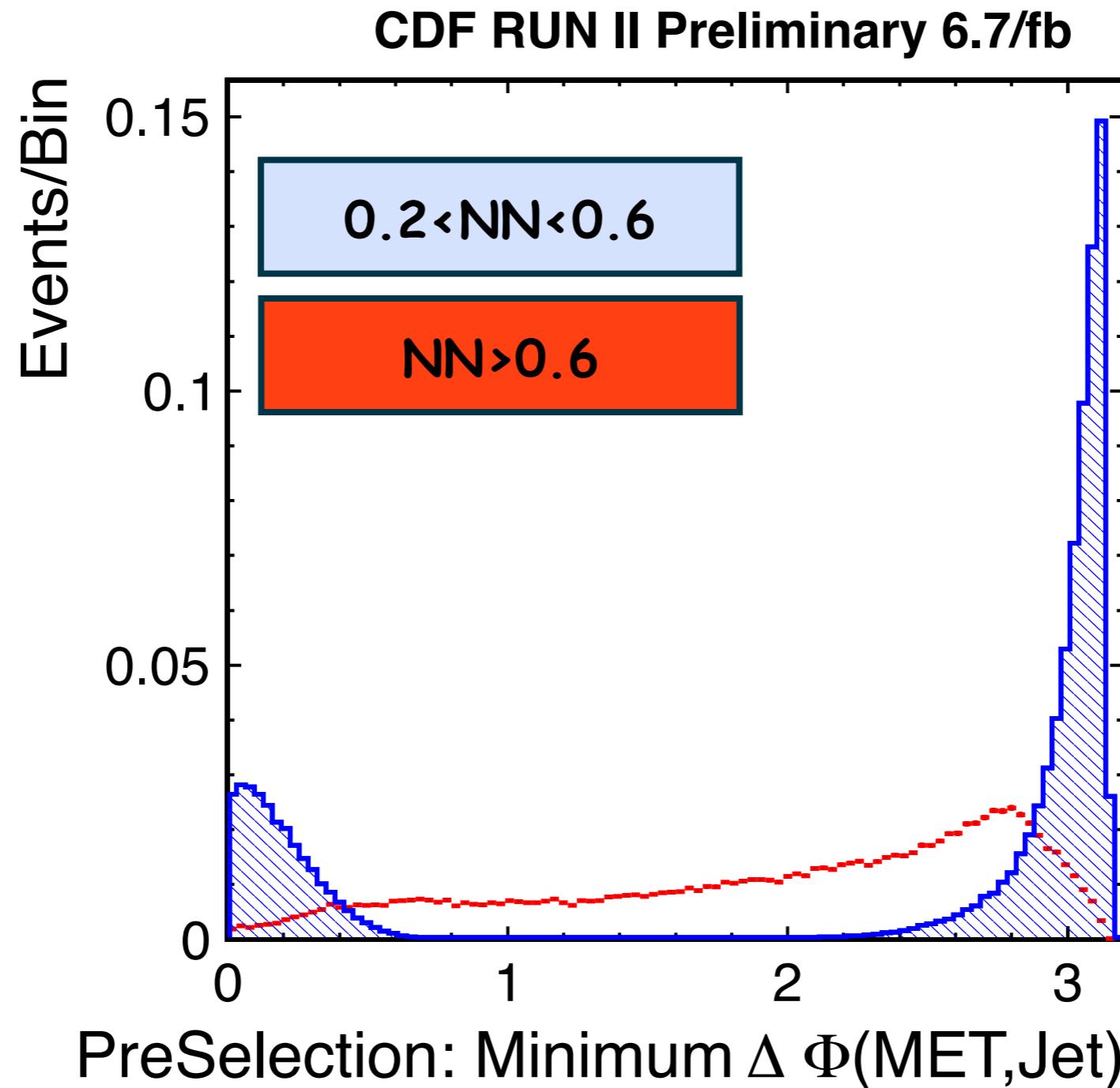
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BACKUP

Multijet Matrix

Parameter	binning
Magnitude of TrkMET ₁₀	[0,1,10,20, ≥ 200]
Minimum $\Delta\Phi(\vec{E}_T, \text{any jet})$	[0,0.5,0.8,2,3,3.1,3.14]
Number of Jets	[1,2, ≥ 3]
E_T	[60,70, ≥ 200]
E_T significance	[0,7.5,15.1]
R	[0,0.45,0.5,0.55,1]

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TMVA Rank	Variable
1	$\Delta\varphi(\text{jet}, \text{Met})_{\min}$
2	R
3	$\Delta\varphi(\text{lead Jet}, \text{Met})$
4	MET
5	lead jet Et
6	Number of Jets
7	$\Delta\varphi(\text{TrkMET}_{10}, \text{Met})$
8	TrkMET ₁₀
9	$\Delta\varphi(\text{TrkMET}_{10}, \text{Lead Jet})$
10	$E\mathbf{M}_{\text{event}}^{\text{frac}}$
11	lead jet n