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## W Production and Search for Top at HERA

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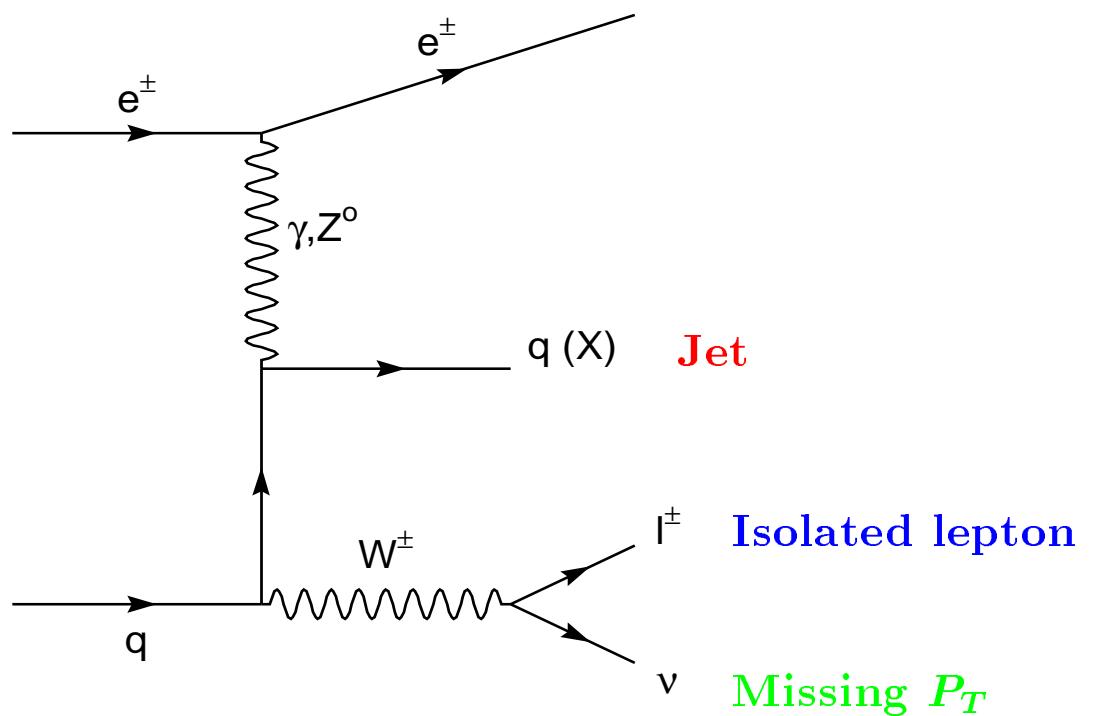
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# Introduction(1)

The **H1** and **ZEUS** detectors at the HERA  $ep$  collider have now each recorded  $\approx 100 pb^{-1}$  of data

→ Sensitivity to rare SM physics processes  
e.g.  **$W$**  production :

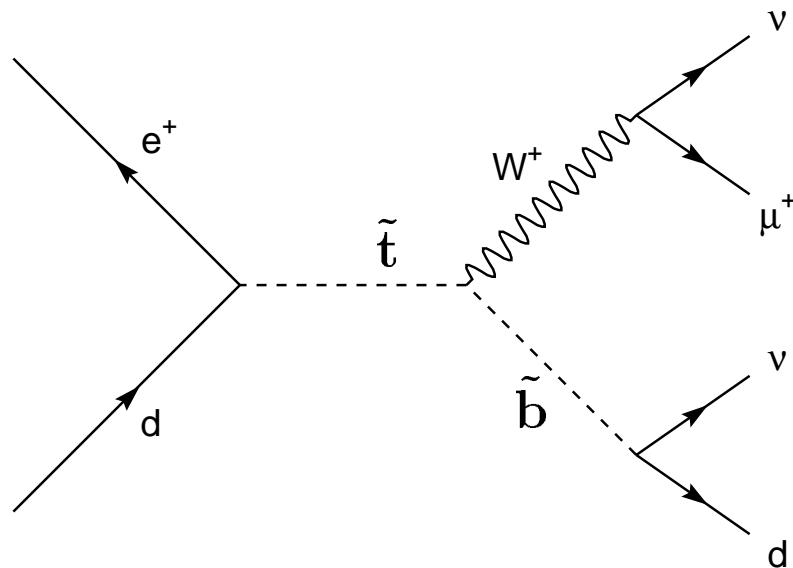


Standard Model (QCD LO) predicts  
 $\sigma(ep \rightarrow eW^\pm X) \approx 1\text{pb}$

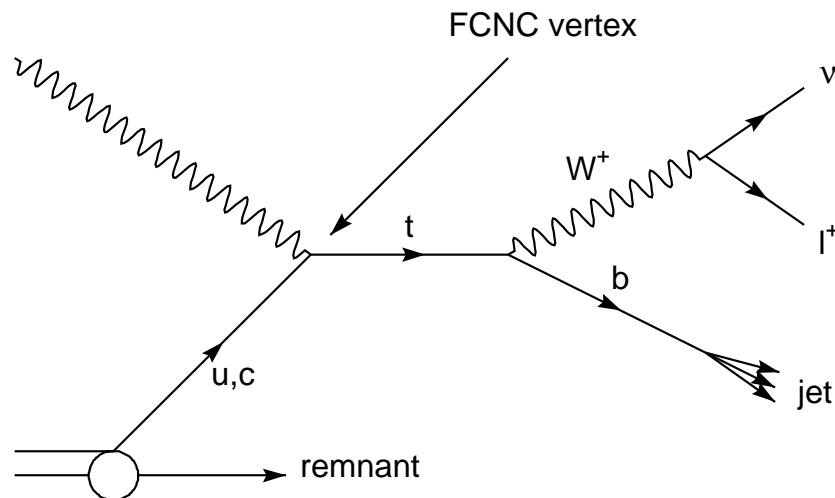
Uncertainties on proton/photon structure functions and QCD scale give  $\approx 30\%$  uncertainty on cross section

## Introduction(2)

Beyond the Standard Model, W production is background to other processes with a jet, an isolated lepton and missing  $P_T$   
e.g. anomalous  $WW\gamma$  couplings, compositeness,  $R_p$  violating SUSY:



or anomalous single top production

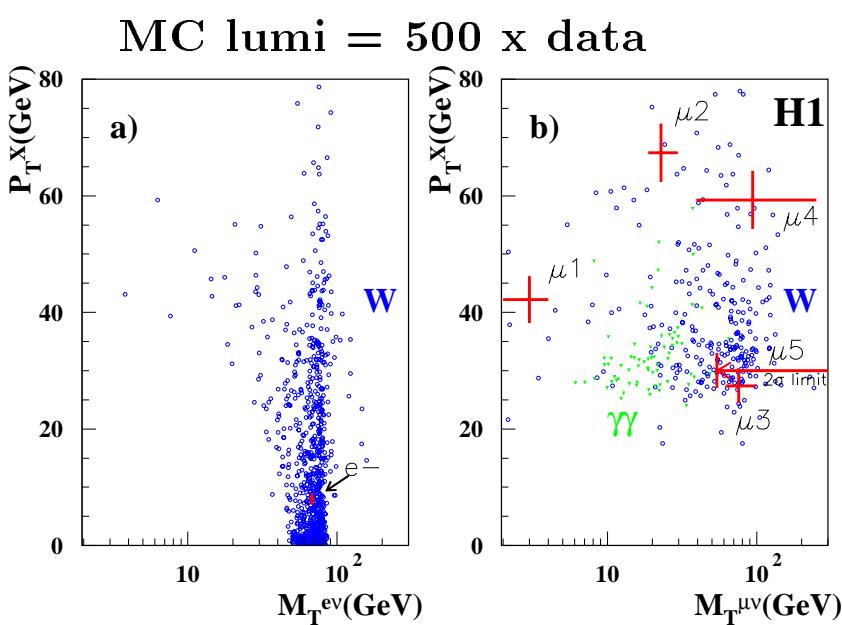


An important process for searches

# H1+ZEUS published 94-97 $e^+p$ data

## Searches for $Ws$ and Events with Isolated leptons with Missing $P_T$

**H1**



lumi=  $36.5 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

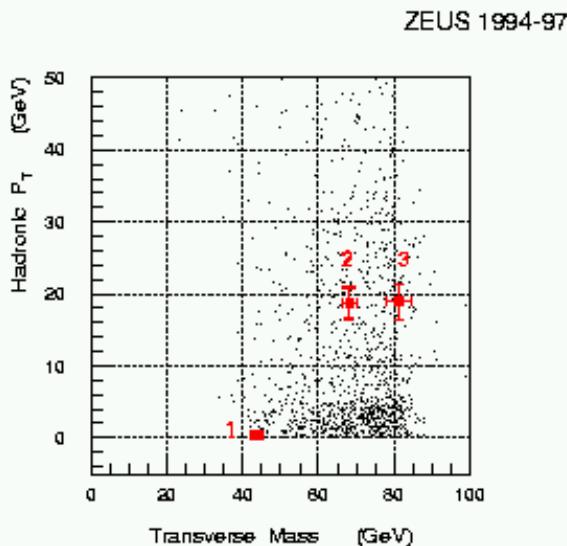
$1 e^-$  cf  $2.4 \pm 0.5$  SM  
 $5 \mu^\pm$  cf  $0.8 \pm 0.2$  SM

3 events seen at high  $P_T^X$  where SM is low

**ZEUS**

MC lumi = 1000 x data

lumi=  $47.7 \text{ pb}^{-1}$



$3 e^+$  cf 3.2 SM  
 $0 \mu^\pm$  cf 1.4 SM  
 Good agreement with SM expectation

# New Analyses

## ZEUS Selection

$$17^\circ < \theta_l < 115^\circ$$

$$P_T^l > 10 \text{ GeV}$$

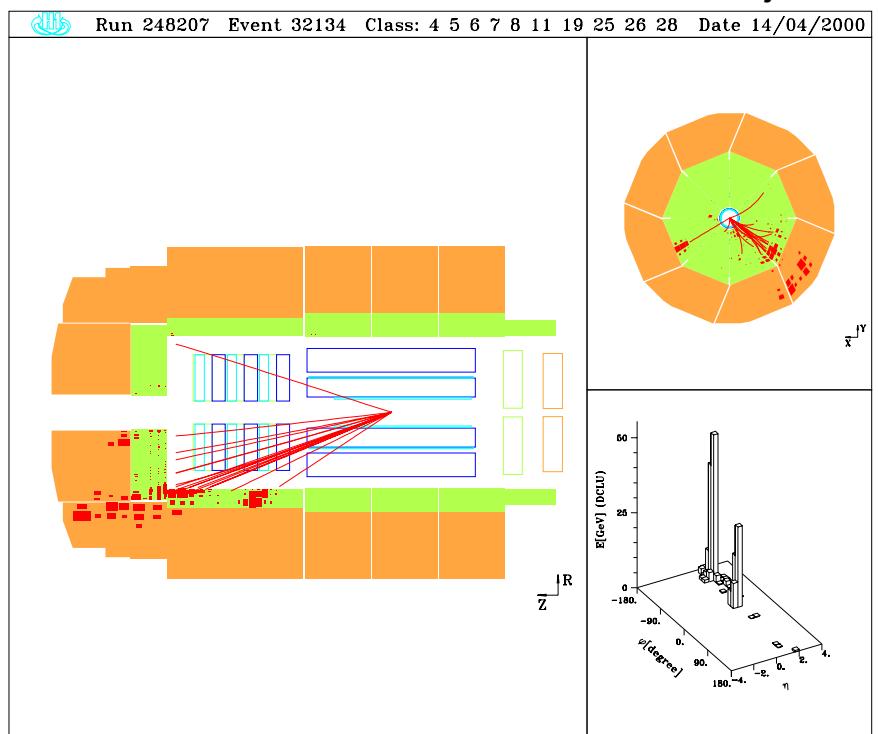
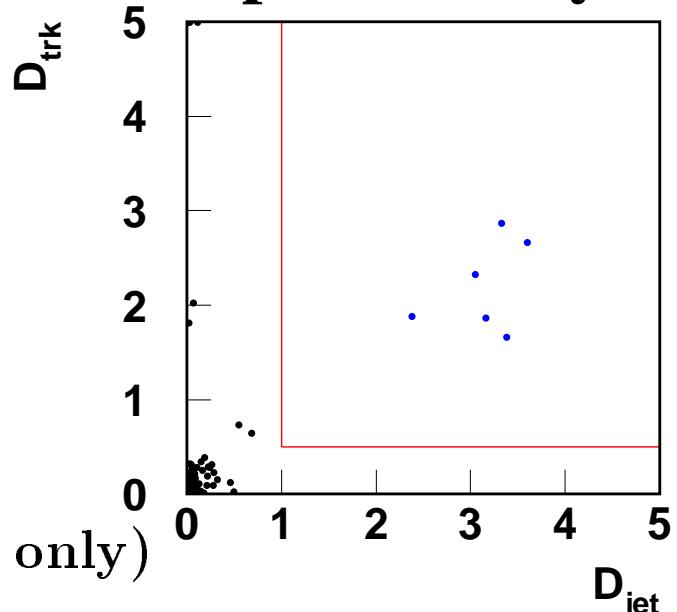
$$P_T^{calo} > 20 \text{ GeV}$$

$$D_{\text{jet}} > 1.0$$

$$D_{\text{trk}} > 0.5$$

$$\Delta\phi_{e-X} > 11^\circ \text{ (e channel only)}$$

## ZEUS 1999 e<sup>+</sup>p preliminary



## H1 Selection

$$5^\circ < \theta_l < 145^\circ$$

$$P_T^l > 10 \text{ GeV}$$

$$P_T^{miss} > 12 \text{ GeV}$$

$$P_T^{calo} > 12 \text{ GeV}$$

$$D_{\text{jet}} > 1.0$$

$$D_{\text{trk}} > 0.5 \text{ (e channel only for } \theta_e > 45^\circ)$$

$$\Delta\phi_{e-X} > 20^\circ \text{ (e channel only)}$$

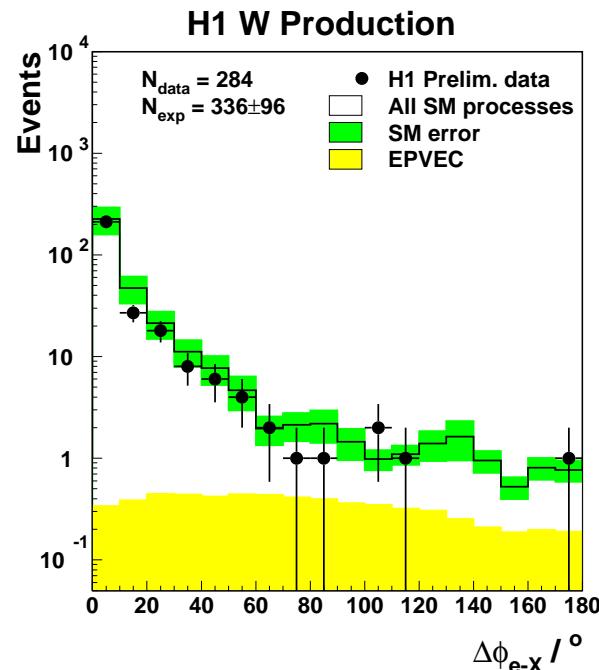
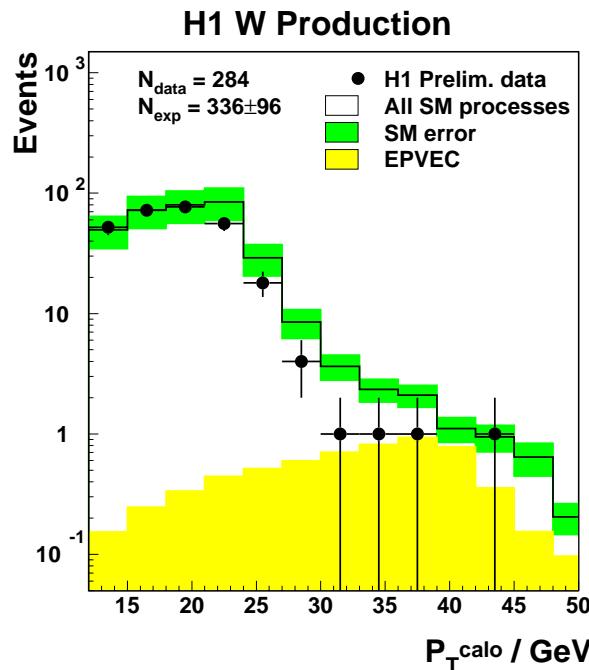
Cut dimuon events

+ Extra cuts against NC background

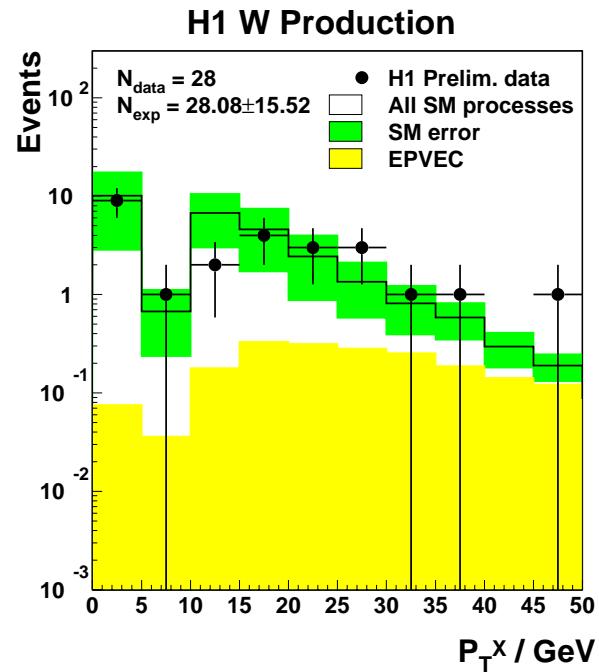
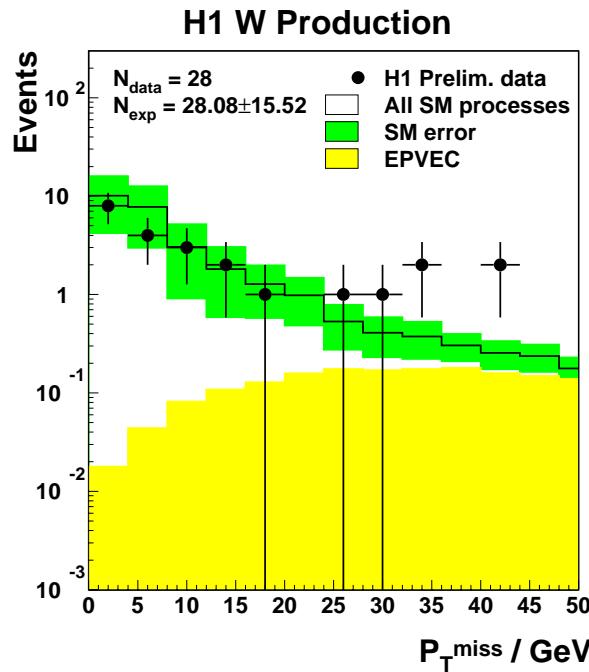
# H1 Control Distributions 99-00 $e^+p$ Data

Check backgrounds with relaxed cuts

Electron channel:



Muon channel:



Distributions well described in shape and normalisation

# New Results : 1994 - 2000 data

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Tables show:

observed events /expectation from all SM processes

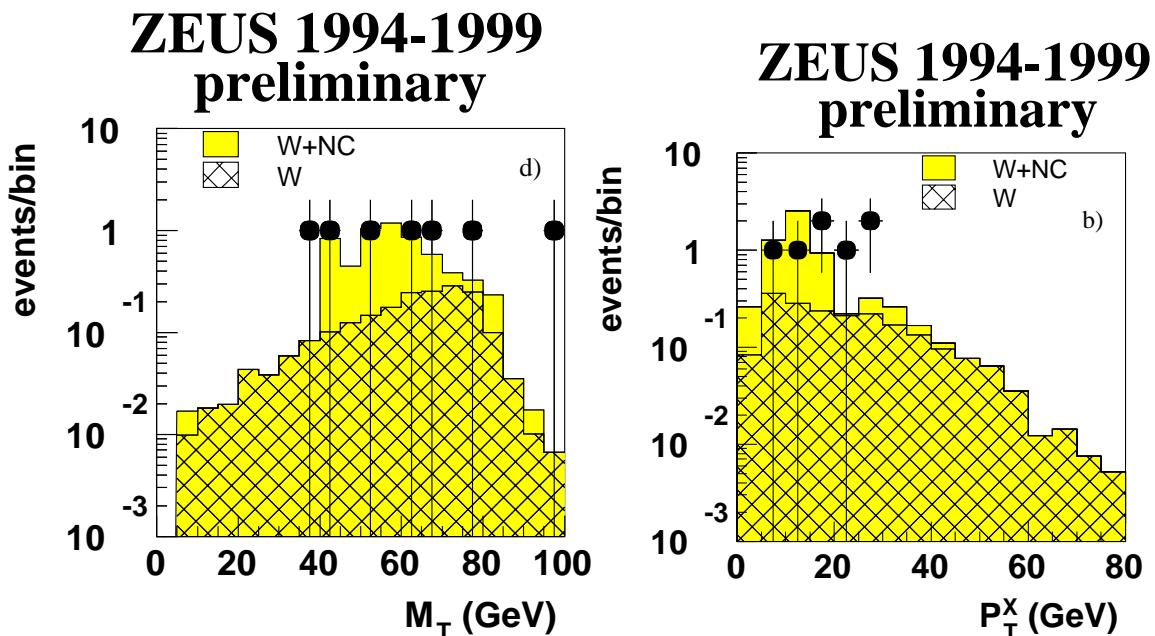
ZEUS	Electrons	Muons
94-97 $e^+ p$ $48 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ Published	3 / $3.5 \pm 0.7$	0 / $2.0 \pm 0.4$
98-99 $e^- p$ $16 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ Preliminary	2 / $0.8 \pm 0.4$	0 / $0.8 \pm 0.1$
99 $e^+ p$ $18 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ Preliminary	2 / $1.8 \pm 0.4$	4 / $0.9 \pm 0.1$
Total $82 \text{ pb}^{-1}$	7 / $6.1 \pm 0.9$ (only W 1.9)	4 / $3.7 \pm 0.4$ (only W 0.8)

H1 94-00 $e^+ p$ $82 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ Preliminary	Electrons	Muons	combined $e + \mu$
$P_T^X > 0 \text{ GeV}$	6 / $6.1 \pm 1.5$	—	$14/8.2 \pm 2.0$ (only W 6.4)
$P_T^X > 12 \text{ GeV}$	4 / $2.1 \pm 0.5$	8 / $2.0 \pm 0.5$	$12/4.1 \pm 1.0$ (only W 3.3)
$P_T^X > 25 \text{ GeV}$	3 / $1.1 \pm 0.3$	6 / $1.2 \pm 0.3$	$9/2.3 \pm 0.6$ (only W 1.8)
$P_T^X > 40 \text{ GeV}$	2 / $0.3 \pm 0.1$	4 / $0.5 \pm 0.1$	$6/0.8 \pm 0.2$ (only W 0.7)

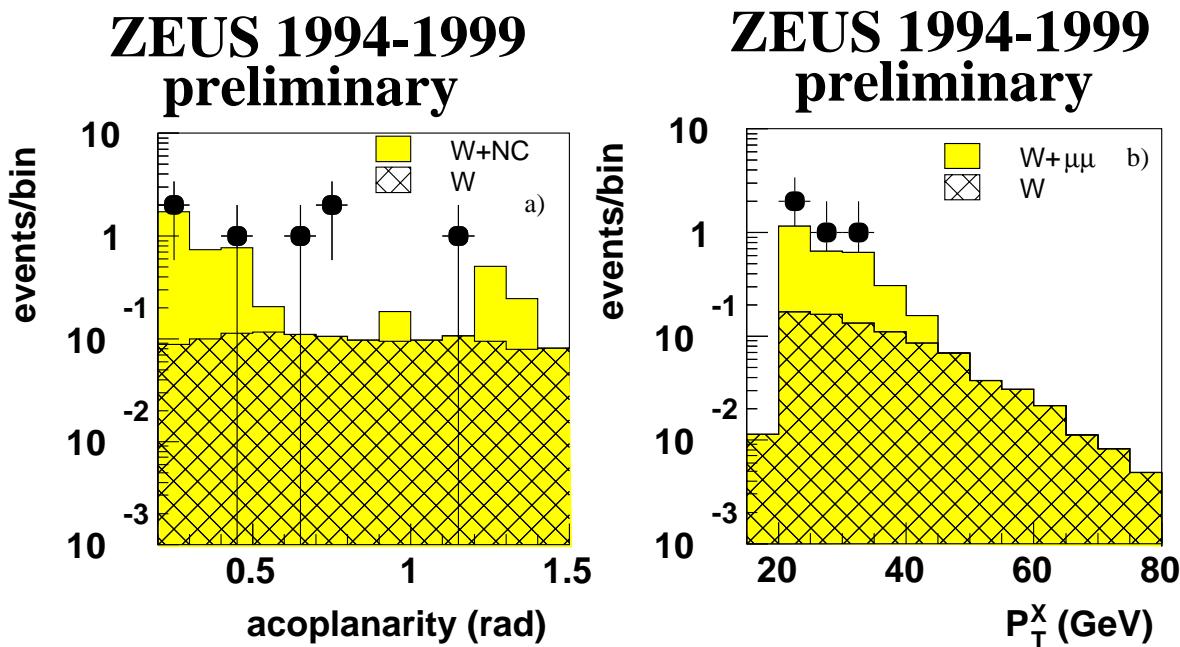
- ZEUS see good agreement with SM expectation
- H1 see an excess for  $P_T^X > 25 \text{ GeV}$   
4 new events in 99-00 data (5 events in 94-97)

# ZEUS Final Distributions

Electron channel



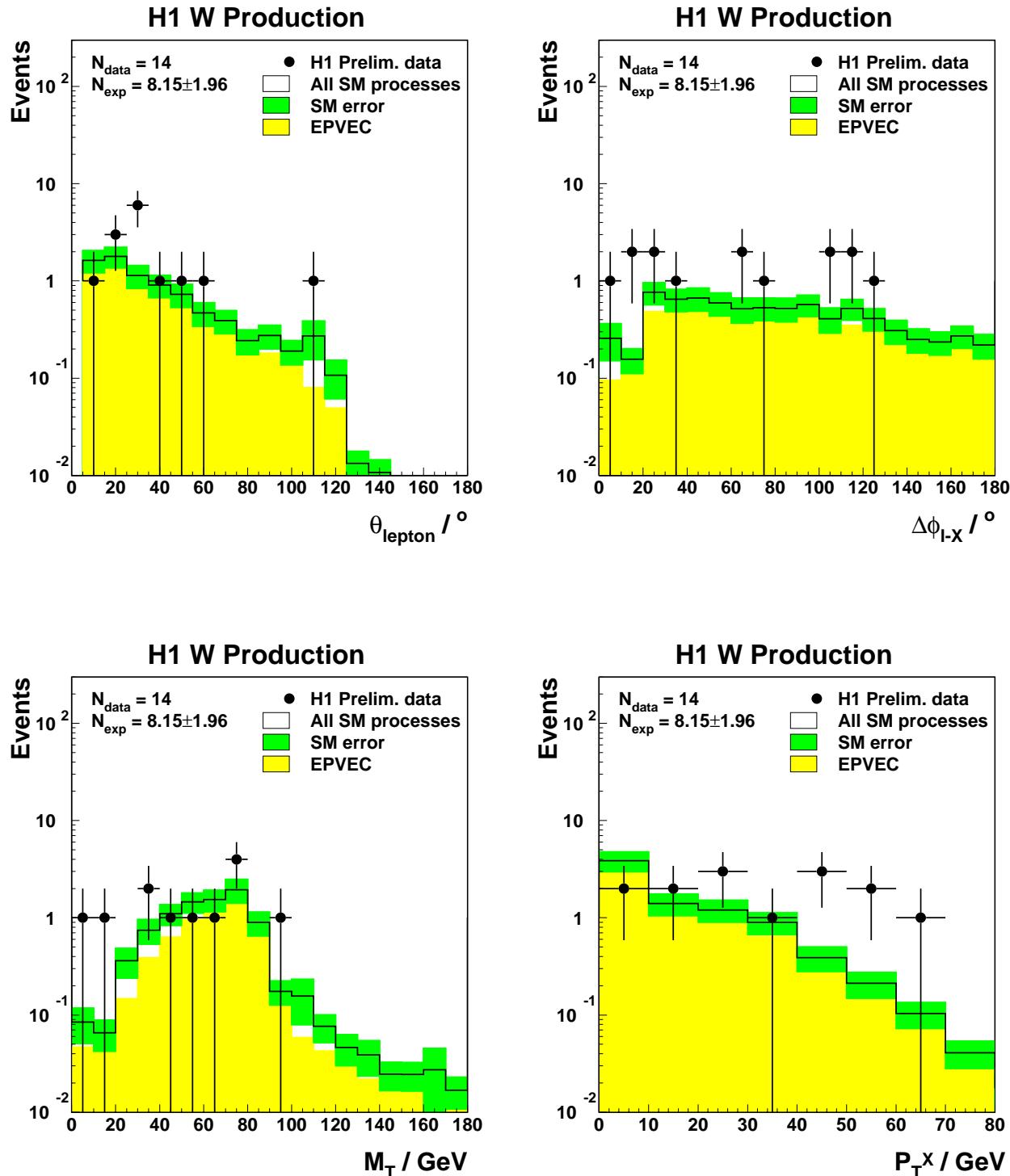
Muon channel



Data agree well with SM shape + normalisation

# H1 Final Distributions

## Electrons and muons combined



Excess over expectation at large  $P_T^X$   
 Shapes of other distributions compatible with expectation

# H1 ZEUS Comparison

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- Standard cuts are different for H1 and ZEUS  
⇒ different SM expectations

**Make a comparison with similar cuts:**

- **Zeus apply extra cuts:**

For  $\mu$ :  $P_T^{\text{miss}} > 12 \text{ GeV}$ , Cut dimuon events

For  $e$ :  $E - P_z < 45 \text{ GeV}$

ZEUS 94-99 82  $pb^{-1}$

	Electrons	Muons
$P_T^X > 25 \text{ GeV}$	1 / 0.78	0 / 0.82
$P_T^X > 40 \text{ GeV}$	0 / 0.27	0 / 0.32

- H1 restrict measurement to ZEUS  $\theta_l$  range

H1 94-00  $e^+p$  82  $pb^{-1}$  Preliminary

Results for  $17^\circ < \theta_l < 115^\circ$

	Electrons	Muons
$P_T^X > 25 \text{ GeV}$	$3 / 0.84 \pm 0.22$	$6 / 0.94 \pm 0.26$
$P_T^X > 40 \text{ GeV}$	$2 / 0.27 \pm 0.08$	$4 / 0.35 \pm 0.10$

Tables show:

observed events /expectation from all SM processes

- SM expectations similar for H1+ZEUS
- **H1 sees excess for  $P_T^X > 25 \text{ GeV}$**
- **ZEUS data in agreement with SM expectation**

# Search for Single Top $t \rightarrow Wb$

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## Lepton Channel

H1 apply  $W$  selection +

$P_T^{\text{jet}} > 25 \text{ GeV}$  for  $\theta^{\text{jet}} > 35^\circ$

$P_T^{\text{jet}} > 35 \text{ GeV}$  for  $\theta^{\text{jet}} < 35^\circ$

$M_T^{l\nu} > 10 \text{ GeV}$

Reject events with -ve charged leptons

ZEUS apply  $W$  selection  $P_T^X > 40 \text{ GeV}$

H1 see 5 events ( $1.44 \pm 0.48$  SM expectation)

ZEUS see 0 events (0.65 SM expectation)

(Preliminary results)

## Hadron Channel (H1)

3 jets

$P_T^{\text{jet}1} > 25 \text{ GeV}$   $P_T^{\text{jet}2} > 15 \text{ GeV}$   $P_T^{\text{jet}3} > 10 \text{ GeV}$

$E_T^{\text{tot}} > 120 \text{ GeV}$

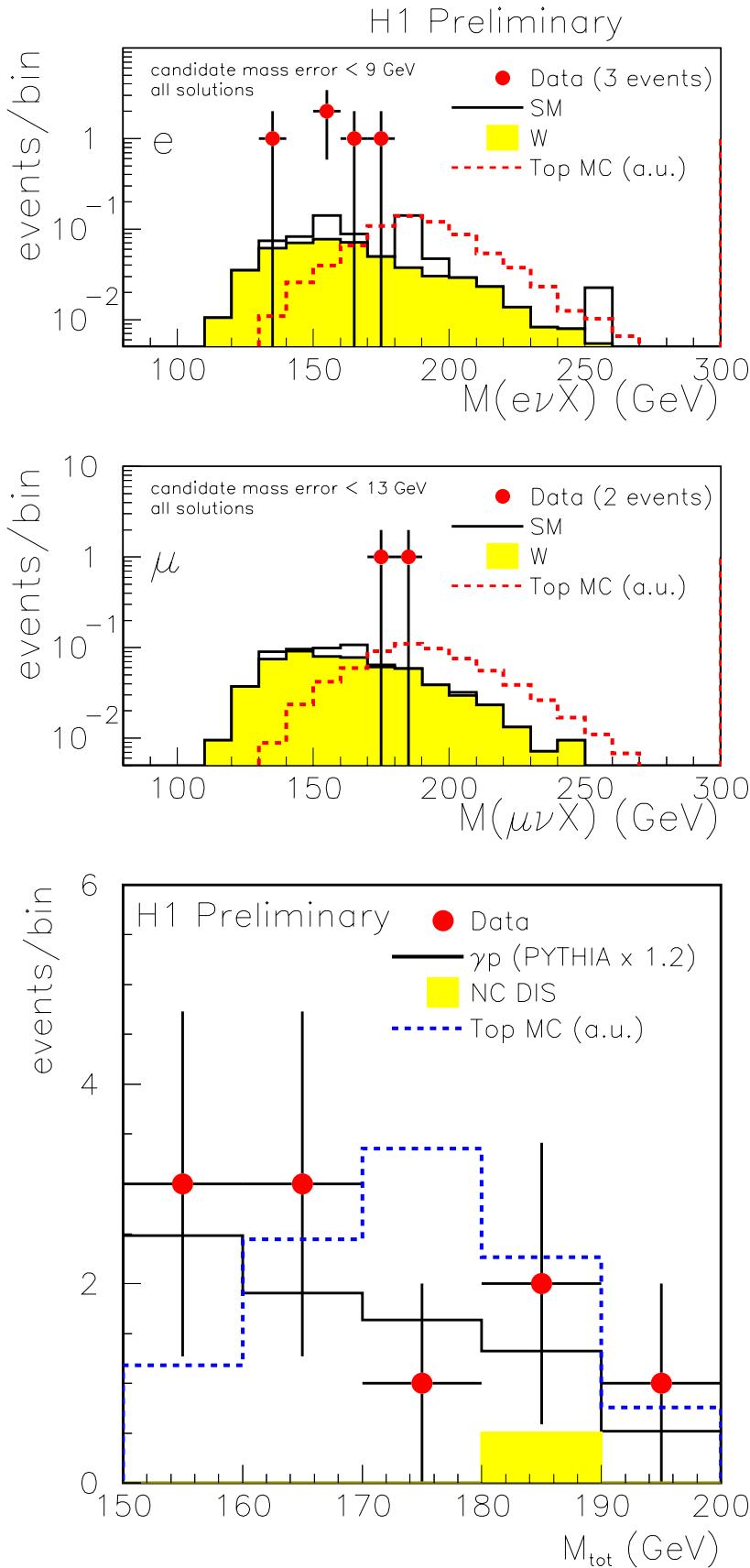
$70 < M_{ij} < 90 \text{ GeV}$  (any combination)

$150 < M_{tot} < 190 \text{ GeV}$  (all jets)

H1 see 10 events ( $8.3^{+5.9}_{-4.6}$  expected from SM)

(Preliminary results)

# H1 Search for Single Top $t \rightarrow Wb$



$W \rightarrow e\nu$

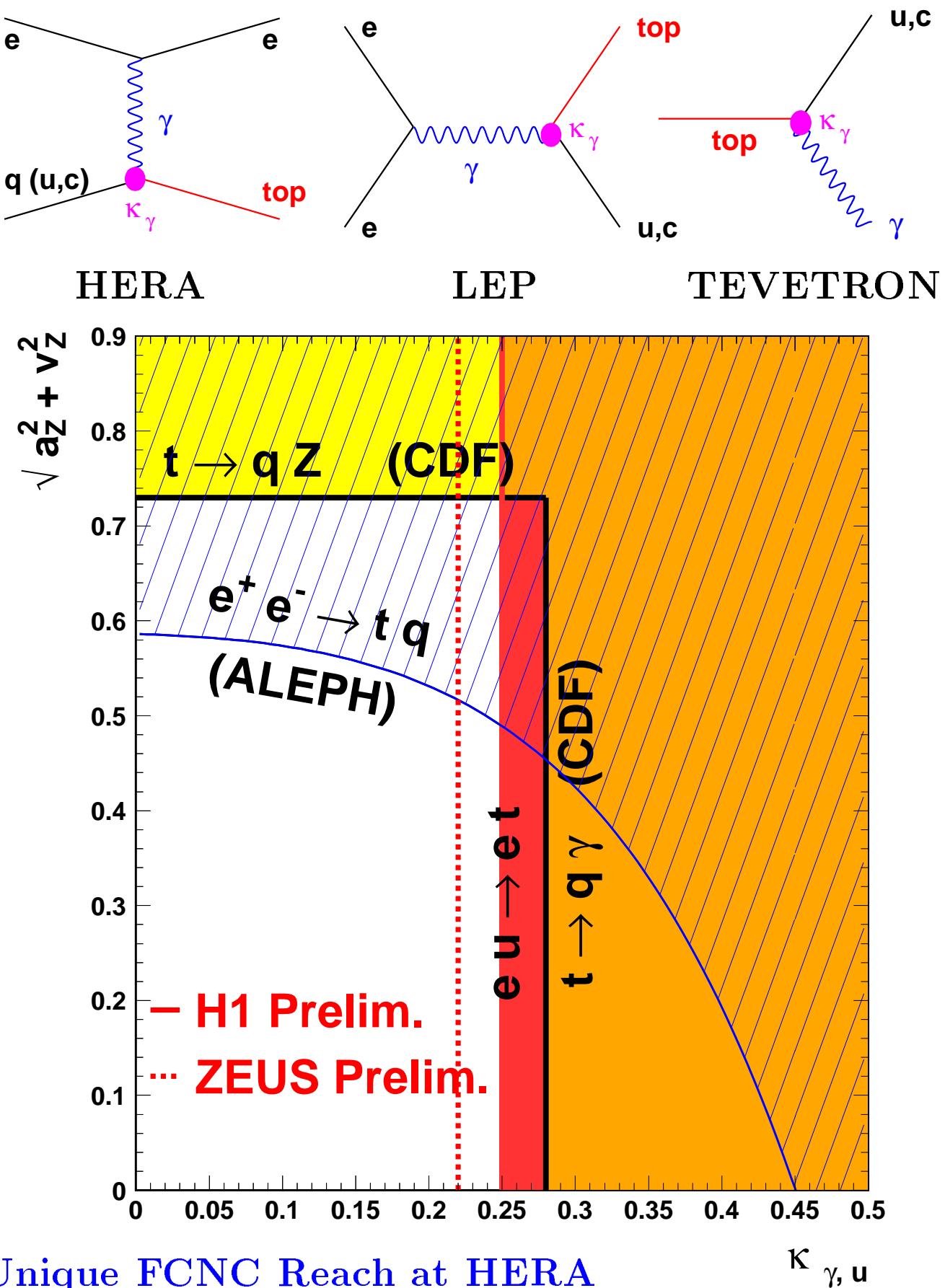
**Impose  $W$  mass constraint  $\Rightarrow$**

**2 possible solutions per event**

$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$

$W \rightarrow q\bar{q}'$

# Limits for FCNC couplings



## Summary: $W$ and top at HERA

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Events with isolated lepton and missing transverse momentum observed at HERA

Such events interpreted in SM as  $W$  production with leptonic decay

In 1994-1999  $e^+p$  and  $e^-p$  data, **ZEUS** see **7** e events and **4**  $\mu$  events, in agreement with SM prediction  **$6.1 \pm 0.9$**  and  **$3.7 \pm 0.4$**

In 1994-2000  $e^+p$  collisions, **H1** see **9** events with  $e$  or  $\mu$ , and large hadronic recoil ( $P_T^X > 25$  GeV), compared to SM prediction  **$2.3 \pm 0.60$**

Search for top production sets limits for the FCNC  $t u \gamma$  coupling

Data after HERA upgrade will prove whether the events are new physics or a statistical fluctuation