• Measurement of the Top Pair Production Cross Section in the Electron+Jets Channel at DØ Using Topological Information

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• Measurement of the Top Pair Production Cross Section in Lepton+Jets Final States at DØ Using Lifetime b-Tagging

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• Measurement of the Top Quark Pair Production Cross Section in the Di-Electron+Jets Channel at $\mathrm{D} \emptyset$

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• Measurement of the Top Quark Pair Production Cross Section in the Electron+Muon+Jets Channel at DØ

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• Measurement of the Top Quark Pair Production Cross Section in the All-Hadronic Channel at $D \varnothing$

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Abstract: Measurement of the top quark pair $(t\bar{t})$ production cross section at hadron colliders can be used to test perturbative QCD predictions. Within the Standard Model, the top quark almost always decays to a W boson and a b quark. We present studies for the measurement of the $t\bar{t}$ production cross section at $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV in $p\bar{p}$ collisions using data collected by the DØ experiment during Run II of the Fermilab Tevatron collider. We consider the all-hadronic channel, characterized by six jets (two of them b jets) in the final state, and discuss the techniques being developed for an optimal separation between signal and the overwhelming QCD multijet background. These involve *b*-tagging by means of a secondary vertex tagger, as well as Neural Networks to exploit the differences between signal and background in event topology.

\bullet Measurement of the Top Quark Mass in the Electron+Muon+Jets Decay Channel at DØ

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Abstract: The top quark mass is one of the fundamental parameters of the Standard Model. We present a preliminary measurement of the top quark mass in the electron+muon+jets decay channel of $t\bar{t}$ events, using data collected by the DØ experiment during Run II of the Fermilab Tevatron collider. The method used for the top quark mass determination, called the "neutrino weighting scheme", makes use of the sensitivity of the neutrino rapidity distribution to the top quark mass. Systematic errors associated with this measurement are also discussed.

• A Method for the Detemination of the Top Quark Mass in the Dilepton+Jets Channel at $\mathrm{D} \varnothing$

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• Measurement of the Top Quark Mass in DØ using the Ideogram Method

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Abstract: The top quark mass is one of the fundamental parameters of the Standard Model. At a hadron collider, top quarks are dominantly produced in pairs $(t\bar{t})$, each of them decaying to a W boson and a b quark. We report on the measurement of the mass of the top quark in the lepton+jets final state, using data collected by the DØ experiment during Run II of the Fermilab Tevatron collider. The top quark mass is determined by using the so-called "Ideogram Method", based on constrained kinematic fitting, but designed to make optimal use of the available information: it build a per-event likelihood taking into account all possible jet permutations, the possibility that the event was background, and the estimated error on the fitted mass for each jet permutation. Information from a b-tagging algorithm is also used to further improve the separation between signal and backgrounds. A discussion will also be given on recent progress in the understanding of systematic uncertainties in the top quark measurement.

• Measurement of the Top Quark Mass in the Lepton+Jets Channel at DØ using a Matrix Element-Based Method

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• Measurement of the Top Quark Mass in the Lepton+Jets Channel at DØ using a Matrix Element-Based Method and Secondary Vertex Tagging

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and background and the detector resolution for the reconstructed decay products, thus making an extensive use of the available statistical information. This method was first applied to the Run I dataset to measure the top quark mass at DØ and led to a substantially reduced statistical uncertainty with respect to previous methods. The method is further enhanced through secondary vertex tagging, which allows selection of events more likely to have contained *b*-quarks due to the presence of displaced vertices. This technique greatly enhances the purity of the data sample, allowing a potentially more precise measurement of the top quark mass.

• Search for Right-Handed Helicity W Bosons in Top Quark Decays at $\mathsf{D} \ensuremath{\varnothing}$

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Abstract: Within the Standard Model, the helicity of the W boson in the top quark decay is given by the V–A coupling. As the top quark is by far the heaviest of all fermions, some models predict an additional V+A coupling between the top quark and the W boson. At a hadron collider, top quarks are dominantly produced in pairs $(t\bar{t})$, each of them decaying to a W boson and a b quark. We present a search for right-handed helicity W bosons in top quark decays using the lepton+jets decay channel. The data were collected by the DØ experiment during Run II of the Fermilab Tevatron. The W boson helicity is determined using the angular distribution of the lepton in the W bosons is reported along with a discussion of systematic uncertainties.

\bullet Measurement of the Top Quark Transverse Momentum Spectrum at $D \ensuremath{\emptyset}$

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• Electroweak Production of Top Quarks in the Electron+Jets Channel at DØ

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Abstract: Electroweak production of the top quark (single top) has yet to be observed. The single top cross section is sensitive to new physics and to the CKM matrix parameter V_{tb} . The DØ experiment has collected so far more than 350 pb⁻¹ of data at $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV in $p\bar{p}$ collisions during Run II of the Fermilab Tevatron collider. Preliminary results of a search for single top quark production in the top decay channel $t \to Wb \to e\nu$ +jets are presented.

\bullet Search for Single Top Quark Production in the Electron+Jets Channel at $\mathrm{D} \varnothing$

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\bullet Search for Electroweak Production of the Top Quark in the Muon+Jets Channel at DØ

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• Upper Limits on Cross Sections Using Kinematic Distributions and the Single Top Quark Search at $\mathrm{D} \emptyset$

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Abstract: We discuss a statistical analysis method using kinematic distributions to compute the upper limits cross sections based on Bayesian statistics. This method uses a matrix that describes the global uncertainties and their correlations between signal acceptance and backgrounds, and also considers the uncertainties that change the shape of the distributions. As an example we discuss its application to the single top quark search at $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV in $p\bar{p}$ collisions using data collected by the DØ experiment during Run II of the Fermilab Tevatron collider.