Generic Analysis and Optimal Observables

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Generic Analysis Structure Method of Optimal Observables High Level Analysis Methods D0 Single Top Search as an Example

Generic Structure of Analysis

- Create MC Model
- Apply some preselection cuts
- Find some observables which help to separate signal from background
- Apply some method of High Level Analysis to get final numbers of the predicted Signal/Background and Data

Method of Optimal Observables

- Provides general receipt how to choose most effective variables to separate Signal/Background
- Based on the analysis of Feynman diagrams which contribute to signal and Background
- Described in different examples
 - Higgs search hep-ph/0406152 p.69-71 (E.Boos and L.D.)
 - Single Top search AIHENP'99 (E.B. and L.D.), hep-ph/9903215 and D0 publications on Single Top Search
 - Ttbar in progress (E.B., L.D., H. Frisch, S. Levy)

Three Classes of Variables

"Singular" Sensitive Variables (denominator of Feynman diagrams) Most of the rates of signal and background processes come from the integration over the phase space region close to the singularities. If some of the singular variables are different or the positions of the singularities are different the corresponding distributions will differ most strongly



Three Classes of Variables

"Angular" variables, Spin effects (numerator of Feynman diagrams)

 $\frac{1}{\Gamma_T} \frac{d\Gamma}{d(\cos\chi_\ell^W)} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{m_t^2 \sin^2\chi_\ell^W + 2m_W^2 \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos\chi_\ell^W)^2}{m_t^2 + 2m_W^2}$

G. Mahlon, S. Parke Phys.Rev. D55 (1997) 7249-7254

"Threshold" variables s_hat and Ht variables relate to the fact that various signal and background processes may have very different energy thresholds

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H (alljets-jet1_{tagged}) [GeV] 34



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Angular Correlations



Separating Signal from Backgrounds

- Three analysis methods
 - Cut-Based

Neural Networks







Decision Trees

- Each using the same structure:
 - Optimize separately for s-channel and t-channel
 - Optimize separately for electron and muon channel (same variables)
 - Focus on dominant backgrounds: W+jets, tt
 - W+jets train on tb-Wbb and tqb-Wbb
 - $tt train on tb tt \rightarrow l + jets$ and $tqb tt \rightarrow l + jets$
 - Based on same set of discriminating variables
 - → 8 separate sets of cuts/networks/trees



The Latest Tevatron Results

s-channel t-channel

NLO cross section 0.88 pb 1.98 pb

95% CL upper cross section limits [pb]

| DØ Run I | 17 | 22 |
|--------------------------------------|------|------|
| CDF Run II (160pb ⁻¹) | 13.6 | 10.1 |
| This analysis (230pb ⁻¹) | | |
| cut-based | 10.6 | 11.3 |
| DTs & binned likelihood | 8.3 | 8.1 |
| NNs & binned likelihood | 6.4 | 5 |

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Generic High-Level Analysis Strategy

- Distinguish kinematically different backgrounds (ttbar, Wbb, Wjets, QCD fake, diboson)
- Construct set of "optimal observables" for each pair of Signal/Background (e.g. t-channel/Wbb)
- Train different networks for each pair of Signal/Background processes
- Combine NN outputs