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This paper presents a study of the production of a single W boson in association with one or more jets in proton-antiproton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV, using the entire data set collected in 2001–2011 by the

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Collider Detector at Fermilab at the Tevatron, which corresponds to an integrated luminosity of 9.0 fb^{-1}. The W boson is identified through its leptonic decays into electron and muon. The production cross sections are measured for each leptonic decay mode and combined after testing that the ratio of the $W(\to \mu\nu) +$ jets cross section to the $W(\to e\nu) +$ jets cross section agrees with the hypothesis of e-μ lepton universality. The combination of measured cross sections, differential in the inclusive jet multiplicity ($W+ \geq N$ jets with $N = 1, 2, 3,$ or 4) and in the transverse energy of the leading jet, are compared with theoretical predictions.

I. INTRODUCTION

The production of W bosons in association with jets in proton-antiproton ($p\bar{p}$) collisions requires high momentum transfer between the interacting constituents of the incoming hadrons. It follows that this process is suitable for testing perturbative quantum chromodynamics (pQCD). Moreover, it is an important background for standard-model (SM) processes such as Higgs-boson and $t\bar{t}$ production at hadron colliders. This paper reports measurements of the inclusive production cross sections $\sigma_N = \sigma(W(\to \ell\nu)+ \geq N$ jets), where ℓ is either an electron or a muon, for each of the jet multiplicities $N = 1, 2, 3,$ or 4 in $p\bar{p}$ collisions. In addition to these inclusive cross sections, differential cross sections ($d\sigma_1/dE_T^{\text{jet}}$) as functions of the leading-jet energy transverse to the beam direction (E_T^{jet}) are presented.

These measurements are performed by selecting W-boson decays with one electron or one muon detected in the central region of the Collider Detector at Fermilab (CDF) and by requiring the presence of at least one hadronic jet. The transverse energies (momenta) [1] of electrons (muons) are required to exceed 25 GeV (25 GeV/c) as are the transverse energies of jets. Jets are defined using a cone-based jet clustering algorithm. Although the presence of one high-transverse-momentum lepton is a distinctive signature for identifying the W boson, background contamination remains significant. One of the most challenging tasks is the subtraction from the selected sample of the multijet background made of jets that have experimental signatures similar to those of the leptons and are therefore reconstructed as electrons or as muons. The techniques used to model this background are optimized to obtain a better identification of the signal sample and to reduce the systematic uncertainties of the results. The measured cross sections are then corrected for detector effects using an unfolding procedure for a straightforward comparison with theoretical predictions at the particle level.

The measurements are obtained using the entire $p\bar{p}$ collision data set collected with the CDF II detector in Run II (2001–2011) at the Tevatron collider, corresponding to 9.0 fb^{-1} of integrated luminosity. They follow previous studies of jet pairs produced in association with a W boson [2] and a measurement of $W +$ jets production cross sections that considered only electron final states in a sample corresponding to 320 pb^{-1} of integrated luminosity [3]. The current measurement improves upon previous CDF studies in that it uses the entire Run II data set and it includes the investigation of the muon channel, resulting in more data and a partially complementary set of systematic uncertainties. Recent studies of the $W +$ jets process in $p\bar{p}$ collisions have been reported by the D0 Collaboration [4] and in pp collisions by the ATLAS [5], CMS [6], and LHCb [7] Collaborations.

This paper is structured as follows. The CDF II detector is described in Sec. II. In Sec. III the details of the $W +$ jets event selection are presented. Section IV describes how the background is estimated and subtracted. The procedure used to unfold the data is presented in Sec. V, and the systematic uncertainties are discussed in Sec. VI. Section VII describes the combination of electron and muon results. Comparisons of theoretical predictions with the data are discussed in Sec. VIII and are presented with the results in Sec. IX. Finally, the results are summarized and conclusions are drawn in Sec. X. The Appendices A and B detail the background validation and the unfolding procedure, respectively.

II. THE CDF II DETECTOR

The CDF II detector was a general-purpose apparatus that collected $p\bar{p}$ collision data from the Tevatron between 2001 and 2011 [8]. The detector consisted of a tracking system contained in a 1.4 T solenoidal magnetic field, surrounded by sampling calorimeters and muon detectors.

The CDF II detector was cylindrically symmetric around the beam axis. The coordinate system has its origin in the center of the detector and consists of the radius r, the azimuthal angle ϕ, and the polar angle θ measured from the z axis, which is oriented along the incoming proton beam. The pseudorapidity is defined as $\eta = -\ln(\tan\frac{\theta}{2})$; the transverse energy as $E_T = E\sin\theta$, E being the energy detected by the calorimeters; and the transverse momentum as $p_T = p\sin\theta$, p being the magnitude of the momentum reconstructed by the tracking system. The angular distance between two reconstructed particles or clusters of particles P_1 and P_2 is defined as $\Delta R(P_1, P_2) = \sqrt{(\phi_{P_1} - \phi_{P_2})^2 + (\eta_{P_1} - \eta_{P_2})^2}$.

Charged particle trajectories (tracks) were reconstructed by a silicon microstrip system [9,10] located just outside the interaction region, surrounded by the central outer tracker (COT) [11,12]. Together they provided high-resolution tracking information for pseudorapidities $|\eta| < 1$. The silicon microstrip system consisted of a central part (SVXII) which covered $|\eta| \le 1$ and an intermediate part (ISL) which extended coverage (with degraded resolution) to $|\eta| = 2$. The SVXII comprised a layer of single-sided silicon microstrip detectors at 1.6 cm from the beam and a five-layer double-sided silicon microstrip detector at radii ranging from 2.5 to 11 cm. The ISL was located between the radii of 19 and 29 cm at higher $|\eta|$. The transverse momentum resolution was $\sigma_{p_T}/p_T^2 = 0.0017 \, (\text{GeV}/c)^{-1}$.

The sampling calorimeter system was located outside the solenoid. It included inner electromagnetic and outer hadronic calorimeters, both comprising central and forward (end-plug) sections. The central section, which included the cylindrical central electromagnetic [13] and central hadronic calorimeters, followed by the hadronic end-wall calorimeter [14] covered the range of pseudorapidy $|\eta| < 1.1$. The end-plug electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters extended the coverage up to $|\eta| < 3.64$ [15]. All calorimeter sections were subdivided into projective modules (towers) pointing to the nominal interaction point. Each projective tower in the central region covered 0.1 in η and 15° in ϕ. The size of the projective towers in the plug calorimeters changed progressively from 0.1 in η and 7.5° in ϕ at $|\eta| = 1.1$ to 0.5 in η and 15° in ϕ at $|\eta| = 3.64$ [8]. Sampling of the energy deposited in all calorimeters was obtained by an interleaving active scintillator with passive metal layers (lead in the electromagnetic and steel in the hadronic sections). Shower profiles were measured by strip detectors located near the shower maxima (at ~6 radiation lengths) in the electromagnetic calorimeters: the central electromagnetic strip chambers and the plug electromagnetic strip detector [16] with 2 cm and 1.5 cm resolution, respectively. The unresolved gamma background is reduced by scintillator-tile preshower counters located near the front faces of all electromagnetic calorimeters [17,18].

The muon detector [19,20] included four independent detectors located behind the hadronic calorimeter. Coverage for pseudorapidities $|\eta| < 0.6$ was provided by a central muon detector, located behind the central hadronic calorimeter and followed by a central muon upgrade detector after an additional layer of shielding steel. The pseudorapidity region $0.6 < |\eta| < 1.0$ was covered by a central muon extension detector. These three muon detectors comprised wire drift chambers operating in proportional mode interleaved with scintillator planes. Finally, coverage was extended to the region $1.0 < |\eta| < 1.5$ by the barrel muon upgrade detector [21].

Cherenkov counters located at a small angle, $3.7 < |\eta| < 4.7$, were used to determine the luminosity by measuring the average rate of inelastic $p\bar{p}$ collisions in each bunch crossing [22].

III. EVENT RECONSTRUCTION AND SELECTION

Events enriched in decays of a W boson into an electron or muon, and a neutrino, are selected using an inclusive-lepton online event selection system (trigger) [8].

In the offline data reduction, electron and muon candidates are identified using standard requirements [8]. Electron candidates are identified as charged particles whose trajectories geometrically match significant energy deposits in a few adjacent calorimeter cells, while muon candidates are tracks that match signals in the muon detectors and deposit no significant energy in the calorimeters. Electron and muon candidates are required to satisfy requirements on the minimum number of COT hits and the primary-vertex position [23]. Requirements are also applied to the fraction of particle energy, inferred from the momentum measurement, deposited in the calorimeter. At least 95% of the energy is required in the electromagnetic calorimeter for the electrons, and little energy in both calorimeters for the muons. Selection requirements for the electron candidates include conditions, referred to as identification (ID) criteria [2], that are used to reduce the probability that a jet is misidentified as an electron. These ID criteria include requirements on the ratio between the energy deposited in the electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters and on the shape and position of the shower produced by the electron candidate. Finally, both electron and muon candidates are required to be isolated [24]. Only the leptons in the central part of the detector ($|\eta| < 1.0$), where the track reconstruction efficiency is optimal and the calorimeter is well instrumented, are considered.

Candidate $W +$ jets events are selected from this inclusive lepton data set by requiring the presence of exactly one central electron or muon candidate with $E_T > 25$ GeV or $p_T > 25$ GeV/c, respectively, and at least one jet.

Jets are reconstructed using the JETCLU cone algorithm [25] with jet-radius parameter $R = \sqrt{(\Delta\phi)^2 + (\Delta\eta)^2} = 0.4$. Only jets having $E_T > 25$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2$, electromagnetic fraction (i.e., the fraction of the total calorimetric energy of the jet deposited in the electromagnetic calorimeter) lower than 0.9, and that are well separated from the lepton candidate [$\Delta R(\ell, \text{jets}) > 0.4$] are considered. The energy of each jet is corrected using the jet-energy scale (JES) correction detailed in Ref. [26].

A threshold is imposed on the transverse mass of the W candidate [27], $m_T^W > 40$ GeV/c^2.

IV. BACKGROUND MODELING AND VALIDATION

The resulting sample is expected to include two classes of backgrounds, (i) electroweak and top-quark processes and (ii) multijet production. Background of the first type is

modeled by using simulated samples. A reliable model of the multijet background is particularly difficult to produce using simulation, so this background is estimated using data.

A. Simulated background processes

Electroweak (EW) processes consist of decays into electrons or muons of gauge bosons produced in $W(\to \tau\nu) + \text{jets}$, $Z(\to \ell^+\ell^-) + \text{jets}$, and WW, WZ, and ZZ processes. Top-quark processes involve the production and decay of top quarks, singly or in pairs. The two classes of processes are modeled using Monte Carlo (MC) samples. Samples of $Z + \text{jets}$ and $W(\to \tau\nu) + \text{jets}$ events are generated using ALPGEN V1.3 [28] interfaced with PYTHIA V6.3 [29] for parton showering and hadronization. The contribution of the underlying event [30] is included in the PYTHIA generator using the Tevatron-tuned parameters of TUNE A [2], and final jets are matched to the original partons with the MLM matching procedure described in [28]. Production of WW, WZ, and ZZ pairs and top-quark pairs is modeled with the PYTHIA event generator, also using TUNE A and assuming a top-quark mass of 172.5 GeV/c^2. Production of single top quarks (both in the s channel and in the t channel) is modeled with the MADEVENT [31] generator followed by PYTHIA for parton showering and hadronization [32]. All simulated samples are generated assuming the CTEQ5L parton distribution functions (PDFs) [33].

The contributions expected from each process are based on theoretical cross-section predictions. The rate of diboson production (WW, WZ, and ZZ) is scaled to the cross section calculated at next-to-leading order (NLO) in pQCD [34]; the $t\bar{t}$ sample is normalized using a next-to-next-to-leading order plus next-to-next-to-leading logarithm (NNLO + NNLL) pQCD cross-section calculation [35]; and the single top-quark process is normalized to approximate NNLO + NNLL calculations [36] for the s channel and approximate NNLO + NLL calculations [37] for the t channel. The $Z(\to \ell^+\ell^-) + \text{jets}$ and $W(\to \tau\nu) + \text{jets}$ cross sections are normalized to leading order (LO) pQCD calculations [28] and scaled by a K factor of 1.4 to account for higher-order effects [3,38]. The uncertainties of these cross sections are 3% and 11% for top-quark pair production and single-top-quark production, respectively; 20% for $Z(\to \ell^+\ell^-) + \text{jets}$ and 40% for $W(\to \tau\nu) + \text{jets}$; and a fully correlated 6% for WW, WZ, and ZZ. The background contributions are also affected by the uncertainties in the integrated luminosity measurement (6%) [39], the lepton acceptance (2.2%), and the jet-energy scale (see Sec. VI for details).

All generated samples are processed using the CDF II detector simulation based on GEANT3 [40], and the same event reconstruction and selection procedures used for the experimental data, described in Sec. III, are applied. Moreover, the events in each simulated sample are weighted

so that the distribution of the number of reconstructed primary vertices, due to the additional $p\bar{p}$ interactions in the same bunch crossing (pileup), matches the distribution in the data.

B. Multijet background

Multijet (MJ) background events enter the signal sample if one of the jets is incorrectly identified as a lepton. This background gives a large contribution in the electron channel, but is almost negligible in the muon channel because a jet, in order to mimic a muon, must also generate a matching track in the muon detectors. The multijet background is modeled using data, following Ref. [2]. The background data samples are obtained from the same data set as that used for the analysis (and described in Sec. III) by requiring the failure of two (one) of the electron (muon) ID criteria [8].

In the electron channel, the multijet background events modeled in this way are referred to as "nonelectron" events [2]. Only the ID criteria that introduce the least bias in the kinematic distributions of nonelectrons (i.e., the fraction of energy deposited in the hadronic calorimeter by the electron candidate and the shape its shower) are inverted, so as to minimize differences with respect to the candidate electrons.

The E_T of nonelectron in the $W + 2\text{jet}$ sample is tuned following Ref. [2], and the tuning procedure is generalized to other jet multiplicities. The tuning procedure includes two steps. First, the contamination from all processes with a real lepton (e.g., weak-boson decay) is evaluated using a MC technique and subtracted from the nonelectron event sample as a function of the variable of interest. Then, in order to model the kinematic properties of the event correctly, the E_T of the nonelectron is taken to be the E_T of the corresponding jet (i.e., the jet with $\Delta R < 0.4$ with respect to the nonelectron). After this procedure, the following two corrections to the E_T of the jet producing a nonelectron have been applied.

The first correction, called the "nonelectron energy-scale correction," accounts for the difference in the energy scale between a jet producing a nonelectron and a jet producing a misidentified electron, i.e., a jet fulfilling all the electron selection criteria. To correct the nonelectron transverse energy, the same energy-scale correction as was previously evaluated for the $W + 2\text{jets}$ sample [2] is used. This E_T correction is tested in a multijet-enriched region [control region (CR)] and shows very good agreement between data and MC expectations. The CR is defined by reversing the W-boson transverse-mass requirement for the signal region (SR), i.e., by requiring that $m_T^W < 40$ GeV/c^2.

The second correction, called the "trigger-bias correction," is required to fully account for the efficiency of the trigger selection. The need for such a correction arises from the inversion of the ratio of hadronic-to-electromagnetic energy criteria. The nonelectron E_T multijet distribution is

corrected by applying weights evaluated bin by bin in the control region. The weights (w_{TB}) for each bin of the nonelectron E_T distribution (E_T bin) are evaluated as follows:

$$w_{TB}(E_T\text{bin}) = \frac{N(E_T\text{bin}) - n(E_T\text{bin})}{N_{MJ}(E_T\text{bin})}, \quad (1)$$

where $N(E_T$ bin) is the event yield in a bin of the electron E_T data distribution, $n(E_T$ bin) is the predicted event yield of electroweak and top-quark background events, and $N_{MJ}(E_T$ bin) is the estimated number of multijet events in the same bin. To account for the possible dependence of the correction on the choice of the control region, two sets of weights from two nonoverlapping subsets of the CR, defined by the events with $m_T^W < 20 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ and by the events with $20 < m_T^W < 40 \text{ GeV}/c^2$, have been calculated. The two sets of corrections are then applied to the events populating the whole control region, and the differences with respect to the nominal correction are assigned as systematic uncertainties.

After these two corrections are applied, the missing transverse energy of the event is recalculated.

In the muon channel, the multijet background is modeled using muon candidates that pass all the muon requirements [8] but with isolation [24] between 0.1 and 0.2, rather than greater than 0.1, as was previously used in [8] to define nonisolated muons. In this paper these muons are referred to as "loosely isolated muons." Events with isolation greater than 0.2 are used to evaluate a systematic uncertainty of the model.

The multijet background yield expected in the SR ($N_{MJ}|_{SR}$) is estimated using the following equation:

$$N_{MJ}|_{SR} = \frac{N_{MJ}|_{CR}}{N_{MJ}^*|_{CR}} \cdot N_{MJ}^*|_{SR}, \quad (2)$$

where $N_{MJ}^*|_{CR}$ and $N_{MJ}^*|_{SR}$ are the multijet event yields in the control and in the signal regions, respectively, that pass the nonelectron or the loosely isolated muon selections after the subtraction of contributions from processes with real leptons. The multijet yield in the CR, $N_{MJ}|_{CR}$, corresponds to the number of candidates in the control region ($N|_{CR}$) minus the number of simulated "electroweak and top-quark processes" background ($n|_{CR}$) and signal ($N_s|_{CR}$) contributions,

$$N_{MJ}|_{CR} = (N - n - N_s)|_{CR}. \quad (3)$$

To avoid circularity, $N_s|_{CR}$ is estimated using the measured cross section $\sigma_{W+\text{jets}}$, instead of the theoretical calculation. The process is iterative. Starting with the approximation of a control region entirely populated of multijet events,

$$N_{MJ}|_{CR} = N|_{CR}, \quad (4)$$

$\sigma_{W+\text{jets}}$ has been calculated using the equation

$$\sigma_{W+\text{jets}} = \frac{N|_{SR} - n|_{SR} - N_{MJ}|_{SR}}{L\mathcal{A}\epsilon}, \quad (5)$$

where $L\mathcal{A}\epsilon$ is the product of the integrated luminosity, the acceptance in the SR, and the total efficiency; the number $n|_{SR}$ is the estimated yield of simulated background events in the SR; and $N_{MJ}|_{SR}$ is evaluated by replacing $N_{MJ}|_{CR}$ of Eq. (4) into Eq. (2). The number $N_s|_{CR}$ is then calculated using Eq. (3) with $\sigma_{W+\text{jets}}$. On the next iteration $N_{MJ}|_{CR}$ is then calculated with the measured value of $N_s|_{CR}$. The process is iterated until the multijet scale factor $f_{MJ}^\ell = N_{MJ}|_{CR}/N_{MJ}^*|_{CR}$ changes by less than 1% between subsequent iterations.

C. Background model validation

The modeling of the background distributions, for both electrons and muons, is validated by comparing them with data in the CR. Examples of validation histograms are shown in Fig. 1. Validation of the modeling of other important kinematic variables is discussed in Appendix A. The good agreement between the data and the predictions in the control region supports the validity of the background models. The shaded areas in Fig. 1 represent the total uncertainty in the evaluation of the backgrounds previously discussed. The main systematic uncertainty in the control region is the uncertainty in the multijet model. The fractional size of this uncertainty on the control region of the muon channel is larger than that on the electron channel. The reason for this difference in uncertainties is that the identification requirements that are reversed to define the nonelectron sample have less impact on the kinematic properties of the event than the modification of the isolation requirement applied to the muon channel. However, in the SR the background of the muon channel is much smaller than that in the electron channel.

D. Estimated background

The background contributions for each inclusive jet multiplicity in the SR are summarized in Table I. For $N \geq 1$ and $N \geq 2$ jets, multijet production and $Z+$ jets represent the main background contributions to the electron and the muon channels, respectively, while the $t\bar{t}$ background contribution is the largest single contribution for the sample with $N \geq 4$ jets in both channels. For $N \geq 3$, the main background contributions are multijet production in the electron channel and $t\bar{t}$ in the muon channel. The contributions of the WW, WZ, ZZ, and the single-top backgrounds are largest for $N \geq 2$–4 jet multiplicities but do not exceed 4% in either channel. Table I reports also the number of selected events for each inclusive number of jets.
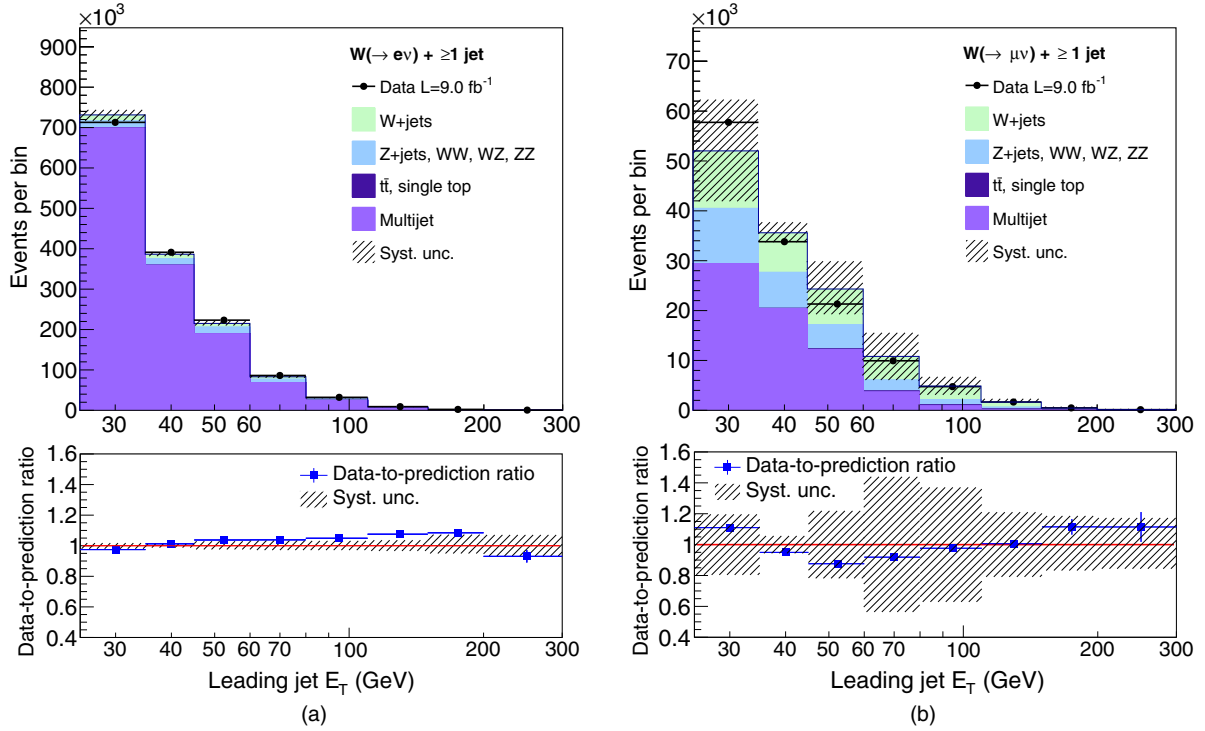
FIG. 1. Leading jet E_T distribution in the control region for (a) the $W(\to e\nu)+\geq 1$jets sample and (b) the $W(\to \mu\nu)+\geq 1$jets sample. The data are represented with black points, while the signal and background predictions are represented with filled stacked histograms. Systematic uncertainties on the predictions are indicated by shaded areas. The lower plots show the ratios of the data to the corresponding predictions.

TABLE I. Numbers of events in the data and total background for each inclusive jet multiplicity in the signal region of the electron and muon channels. The individual background estimates are expressed as percentages of the numbers of events in data and are evaluated as explained in Sec. IV.

Sample	$W(\to e\nu)+\geq N$jets			
Number of jets $N\geq$	1	2	3	4
Events in data	477665	65029	9483	1642
Total background prediction	182000 ± 24000	30800 ± 2900	5700 ± 440	1320 ± 110
Multijet	30%	33%	32%	29%
$Z+$jets	5%	4%	4%	2%
$t\bar{t}$	1%	4%	19%	45%
$W(\to \tau\nu)+$jets	2%	1%	1%	1%
Single top quark	< 1%	2%	3%	2%
WW, WZ, ZZ	1%	3%	2%	2%

Sample	$W(\to \mu\nu)+\geq N$ jets			
Number of jets $N\geq$	1	2	3	4
Events in data	229823	28038	3967	807
Total background prediction	39800 ± 5600	7270 ± 760	1860 ± 150	550 ± 40
Multijet	3%	3%	3%	2%
$Z+$jets	10%	9%	7%	4%
$t\bar{t}$	1%	6%	28%	57%
$W(\to \tau\nu)+$jets	2%	2%	1%	1%
Single top quark	1%	3%	4%	3%
WW, WZ, ZZ	1%	4%	4%	2%

V. UNFOLDING

The observed and expected distributions of the inclusive jet multiplicity and the leading-jet E_T for events passing the signal selection requirements are shown in Fig. 2. The expected signal yields are predicted with a MC calculation based on ALPGEN+PYTHIA propagated through the detector simulation and are normalized to the LO calculations scaled by a K factor of 1.4 [3].

The signal distributions obtained by subtracting the estimated background are influenced by the acceptance, nonlinear response, and finite resolution of the detector. To correct for these effects, and to facilitate comparison with
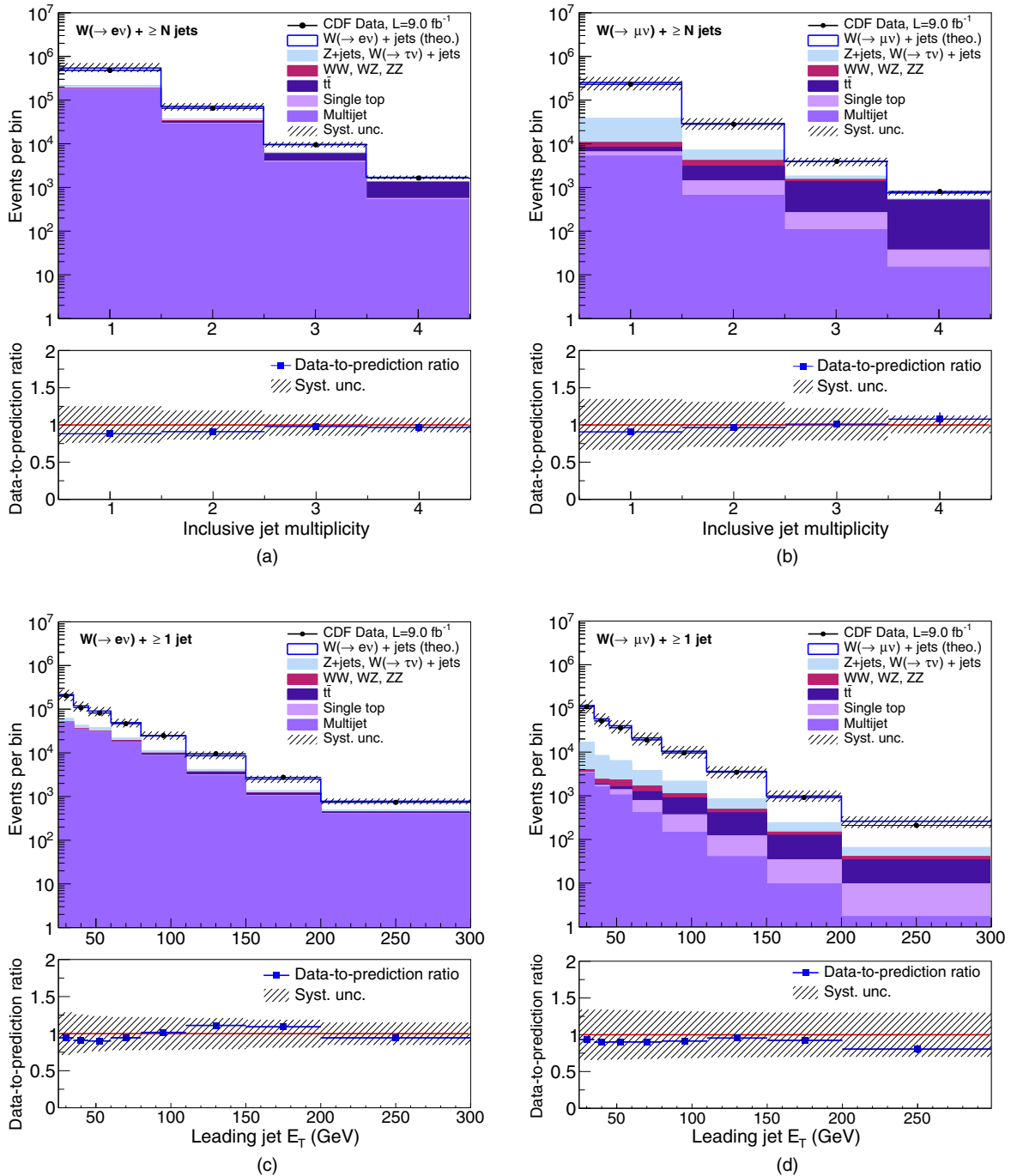
FIG. 2. Distributions of data for the $W \to e\nu$ channel overlaid with predicted background and signal (a) for each jet multiplicity and (c) as a function of the leading-jet E_T. The same distributions are reported in (b) and (d) for the $W \to \mu\nu$ channel. The predicted signal is obtained by using an ALPGEN+PYTHIA LO cross-section calculation multiplied by the K factor. The lower plots show the ratio between data and prediction. The shaded regions represent the systematic uncertainties.

theory, the distributions are unfolded back to the particle-level separately for the two channels. The particle-level leptons and jets are reconstructed from all simulated particles with a lifetime of more than 10 ps, before the detector simulation, and by applying the same requirements as those used for the experimental data. The electron or muon from the W-boson decay is recombined with a radiated photon if the radial distance between the lepton and the photon $[\Delta R(\ell, \gamma)]$ is less than 0.1. The neutrino momentum from the W-boson decay is used to calculate the missing transverse energy. Particle-level jets are constructed by applying the JETCLU algorithm with cone radius 0.4 to the stable particles, from which the lepton (including the recombined photon) and neutrino from the W-boson decay are removed. The effects of the detector are described by a response matrix, determined from simulation, that maps all the generated events (at the particle level) to the reconstructed events (at the detector level). The response matrix for each distribution subjected to unfolding is built using the W + jets sample generated with ALPGEN+ PYTHIA, which has approximately 10 times the size of the data sample. In the case of the jet-multiplicity distribution, unfolding is performed using bins that correspond to exclusive numbers of jets, except the last bin, i.e., the response matrix has bins corresponding to events with a W boson and exactly one, exactly two, exactly three, or at least four jets. The leading-jet E_T distribution, for each of the two lepton channels, is unfolded considering bins designed to contain a sufficiently large number of events. The response matrices are determined by considering the jet with highest E_T at the particle and detector levels independently, without any geometric matching between the two.

The first unfolding step consists of applying the inverted response matrix to the observed distribution. The matrix inversion is performed using the regularized singular-value decomposition (SVD) technique [41,42].

The SVD-inversion results are rendered robust against fluctuations of the bin populations in data and MC by introducing a regularization condition, namely a "minimum curvature condition" [41] on the unfolded distribution, to avoid amplifying fluctuations coming from sparsely populated MC and data bins. Regularization is characterized by a strength parameter. In this analysis, each distribution is unfolded by optimizing its strength parameter, as explained in Ref. [41]. In addition, it has been verified that the method employed in choosing each regularization parameter leads to a value that introduces the lowest systematic bias into the unfolded distribution. This is done using test distributions similar to the observed distributions. The systematic uncertainty on the residual bias in the unfolding procedure is discussed in the next section.

The unfolded event phase space has been restricted to the fiducial region by applying an acceptance matrix after applying the inverse of the response matrix. The acceptance matrix is determined using the W + jets sample generated with ALPGEN+PYTHIA for each unfolded distribution. The response and acceptance matrices are reported in Appendix B.

VI. SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES

The systematic uncertainty on each of the unfolded measurements is assessed by repeating the unfolding procedure for variations of each parameter associated with systematic effects. Figures 3 and 4 show the systematic uncertainties obtained as differences between each set of unfolded data and the nominal result.

These uncertainties include the contributions, discussed in Sec. IV, from the simulated background normalizations, the lepton acceptances, the JES, and the estimated multijet background yield.

In the electron channel, the dominant source of systematic uncertainty arises from the multijet background estimate. As discussed in Sec. IV, the multijet background is
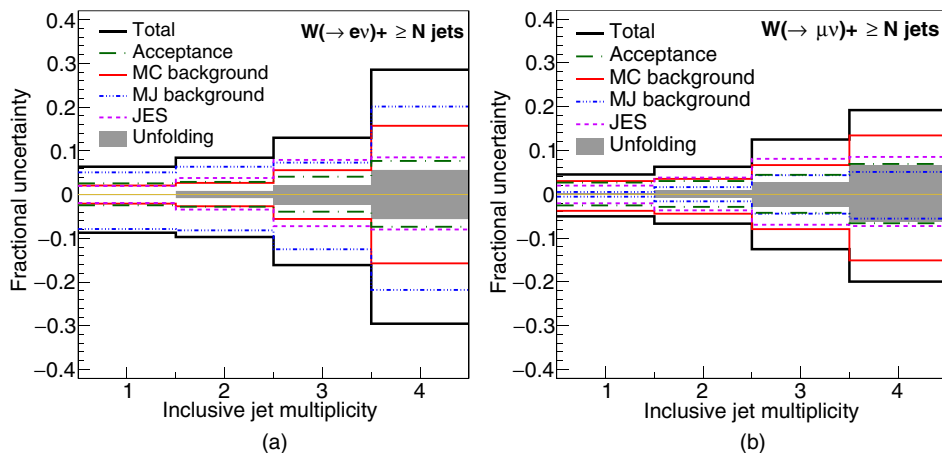

FIG. 3.   Fractional systematic uncertainties as functions of inclusive jet multiplicity (a) in the $W \to e\nu$ channel and (b) in the $W \to \mu\nu$ channel.
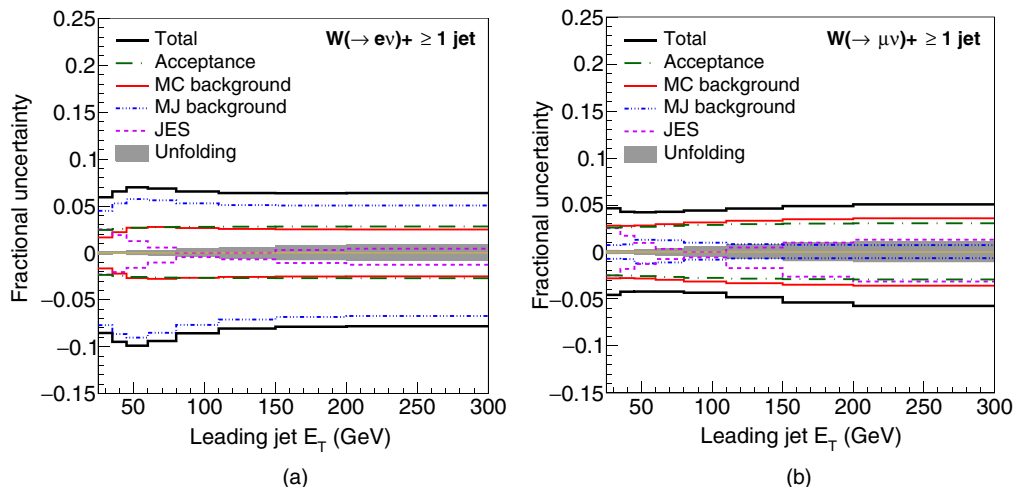
FIG. 4.   Fractional systematic uncertainties as functions of leading jet E_T (a) in the $W \to e\nu$ channel and (b) in the $W \to \mu\nu$ channel.

determined from data and validated using the CR. The uncertainty on this model includes contributions from the corrections applied to the data-driven sample as well as contributions from the multijet scale factor f^e_{MJ}. The corrections applied to the model are the nonelectron energy-scale correction and the trigger-bias correction. The uncertainties of the nonelectron energy-scale correction are obtained by using the correction factors shifted by 1 standard deviation (10%–13%) and by smearing the missing transverse energy of the event (2%–13%), while those of the trigger-bias correction are derived by comparing data and predictions in two control regions restricted to $m^W_T < 20$ GeV/c^2 and $20 < m^W_T < 40$ GeV/c^2 (1%–5%). The uncertainty on f^e_{MJ} is due to the contributions from CR background suppression (2%–5%). The overall uncertainty on the inclusive cross sections ranges from 6% for $W(\to e\nu)+ \geq 1$ jet results to 21% for $W(\to e\nu)+ \geq 4$jets results.

In the muon channel, the major source of systematic uncertainty is the uncertainty on the MC prediction of the background [3%–14% of the $W(\to \mu\nu)+ \geq N$jets cross sections for $N = 1$–4]. This includes the uncertainty on the theoretical cross section used to normalize each background process [6% for the WW, WZ, and ZZ processes, 3% for $t\bar{t}$ production, 11% for single-top-quark production, 20% and 40% for $Z +$ jets and $W(\to \tau\nu +$ jets) processes, respectively, and 6% uncertainty on the integrated luminosity of the sample]. In this channel, the uncertainty on the multijet background estimate gives the lowest contribution (1%–5%) to the overall uncertainty on the cross sections and is determined by varying the isolation requirement.

Additional sources of uncertainty are the contributions from electron and muon acceptances (2.2% in both channels) and of the JES. The impact of the JES uncertainty is estimated by computing the cross section with the JES factors shifted by 1 standard deviation. The difference in the scale factors for simulated gluon and quark jets is also

included [26,43]. The resulting uncertainties on the inclusive cross sections range from about 1% for $W+ \geq 1$ jet events to 11% for $W+ \geq 4$jets events in both the electron and the muon channels.

The uncertainties in the inclusive cross sections from the unfolding procedure range from 0.1% to 7% for inclusive jet multiplicities between one and four, respectively. This uncertainty consists of a component due to approximations associated with the unfolding method and a component resulting from potential mismodelings in simulated $W +$ jets events used to determine the unfolding matrix. The residual bias in the unfolding procedure, described in Sec. V, is evaluated for each differential cross-section value using simulated experiments. For each observed distribution, 1000 test distributions are generated and unfolded. The resulting distributions of the differences between generated and unfolded values are assumed to be a measure of the bias and are used as an estimate of the uncertainties of the unfolding procedure. The uncertainty in the simulated $W +$ jets sample comprises the uncertainties in the lepton acceptance (2.2%) and the uncertainties in the JES.

The total uncertainty on the unfolded inclusive cross sections ranges from 7% for $W(\to e\nu)+ \geq 1$ jet events to 34% for $W(\to e\nu)+ \geq 4$jets events and from 5% for $W(\to \mu\nu)+ \geq 1$ jet results to 24% for $W(\to \mu\nu)+ \geq 4$jets results. Table II reports a summary of the systematic uncertainties.

VII. CHANNEL COMBINATION

The cross sections are calculated by dividing the signal yields resulting from the unfolding by the integrated luminosity. The measurements from the muon and electron channels are combined. Assuming lepton universality, the combination is performed by using the asymmetric iterative best linear unbiased estimate method [44,45]. This method accounts for the correlations of asymmetric uncertainties.

TABLE II.   Summary of the systematic uncertainties. The uncertainties are listed as ranges where the impact of the uncertainty depends on the jet multiplicity. If the uncertainty has an impact on the shape of the leading jet E_T distribution, a check mark symbol is placed in the column labeled "shape." "EW and top-quark processes" refers to all the processes simulated with MC techniques, $Z +$ jets, $W(\to \tau\nu) +$ jets, WW, WZ, ZZ, $t\bar{t}$, and single top quark.

| Source	Rate	Shape	Process affected
Lepton acceptance	2.2%		EW and top-quark processes
MC background			
$Z +$ jets normalization	20%		$Z +$ jets
$W(\to \tau\nu) +$ jets normalization	40%		$W(\to \tau\nu) +$ jets
$t\bar{t}$ normalization	3%		$t\bar{t}$
Single top-quark normalization	11%		Single top quark
WW, WZ, and ZZ normalization	6%		WW, WZ, ZZ
Luminosity	6%		EW and top-quark processes
MJ background			
Statistical uncertainty	0.1%–8% (1%–37%)		Multijet electron (muon) sample
Multijet Scale factor (f_{MJ}^{ℓ})	2%–5% (13%–68%)		Multijet electron (muon) sample
Nonelectron energy scale	10%–13%	✓	Multijet electron sample
Nonelectron energy resolution	1%–13%	✓	Multijet electron sample
Trigger bias correction	1%–5%	✓	Multijet electron sample
Isolation requirement	1%–5%	✓	Multijet muon sample
Jet-energy scale	1%–11%	✓	All backgrounds
Quark/gluon JES	±2.7%/ ∓ 4.4%		EW and top-quark processes
Unfolding	0.1%–7%	✓	$W +$ jets
Luminosity	6%		$W +$ jets cross section
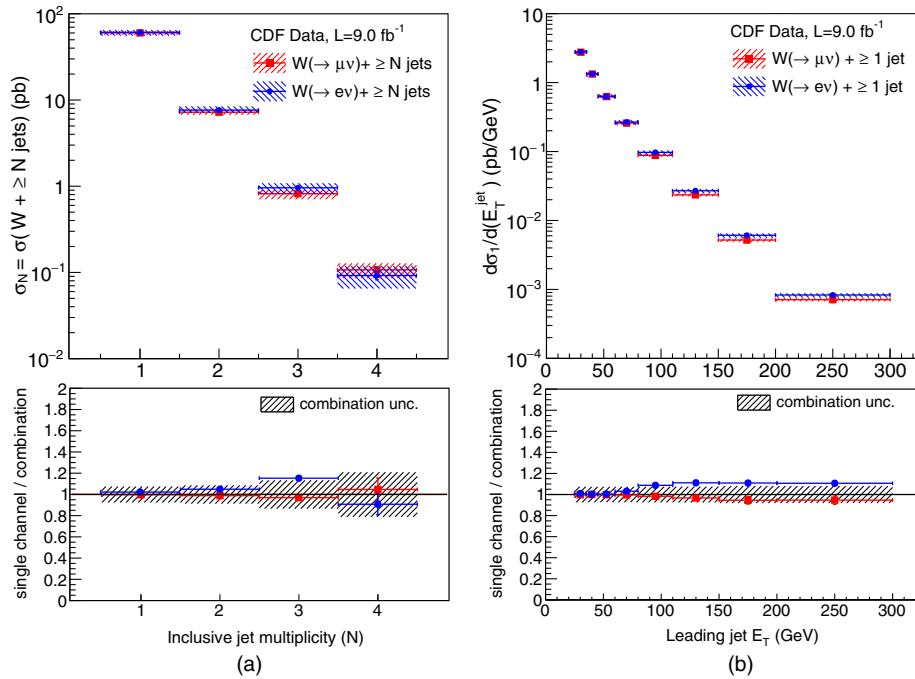
FIG. 5.   Measured cross sections in the $W(\to e\nu) +$ jets (dots) and $W(\to \mu\nu) +$ jets (squares) decay channels as functions of (a) the inclusive number of jets and (b) the inclusive leading jet E_T in events with one or more jets. The hatched areas in the upper plots are the total uncertainties, reported separately for the electron and muon channels. The lower plots show the ratios between measured cross sections and the combined results. The bands correspond to $\pm 1\sigma$ systematic uncertainties of the combination.

Systematic uncertainties related to JES, MC-based predictions, unfolding, and luminosity are considered to be 100% correlated between channels. Statistical, acceptance, and multijet background uncertainties are considered uncorrelated between muons and electrons. The upper plots in Fig. 5 show the observed inclusive and differential cross sections multiplied by the branching fractions of W-boson decays into electrons or muons. The ratios and the combined results are shown in the lower panels. The uncertainties on the ratios are small because of correlations between the uncertainties on the individual and combined results. A detailed test of consistency with lepton universality follows.

Assuming that the couplings of the W bosons in the electroweak and top-quark background processes are those predicted by the standard model, the ratio $|g_\mu|/|g_e|$ is given by the ratio of the cross sections measured in the two channels,

$$\frac{\sigma_{W+\text{jets}}\mathcal{B}(W \to \mu\nu)}{\sigma_{W+\text{jets}}\mathcal{B}(W \to e\nu)} = \frac{\Gamma(W \to \mu\nu)}{\Gamma(W \to e\nu)} = \frac{g_\mu^2}{g_e^2}, \qquad (6)$$

where $\sigma_{W+\text{jets}}$ is the inclusive production cross section, $\mathcal{B}(W \to \mu\nu)$ and $\mathcal{B}(W \to e\nu)$ are the branching fractions

TABLE III. Magnitude of the ratio of $W \to \ell\nu$ coupling constants, $|g_\mu|/|g_e|$, measured from the ratio of the $W(\to \mu\nu) +$ jets and $W(\to e\nu) +$ jets cross sections for each inclusive jet multiplicity.

Jet multiplicity	$|g_\mu|/|g_e|$
$\geq$ 1 jet	0.992 ± 0.002 (stat) $^{+0.050}_{-0.053}$ (syst)
$\geq$ 2 jets	0.972 ± 0.006 (stat) $^{+0.060}_{-0.064}$ (syst)
$\geq$ 3 jets	0.918 ± 0.020 (stat) $^{+0.099}_{-0.116}$ (syst)
$\geq$ 4 jets	1.077 ± 0.076 (stat) $^{+0.203}_{-0.243}$ (syst)

and $\Gamma(W \to \mu\nu)$ and $\Gamma(W \to e\nu)$ are the decay widths of the W boson in the muon and the electron channels, respectively.

The resulting values of $|g_\mu|/|g_e|$ for each jet multiplicity are reported in Table III. The magnitudes of coupling ratios for various jet multiplicities are consistent with the previous CDF measurement, 0.991 ± 0.012, obtained in the inclusive channel, i.e., $W+ \geq 0$ jets [8]. Consistency between results of inclusive jet multiplicities measured here with those measured previously and with lepton universality promote confidence in the cross-section measurements and support channel combination.
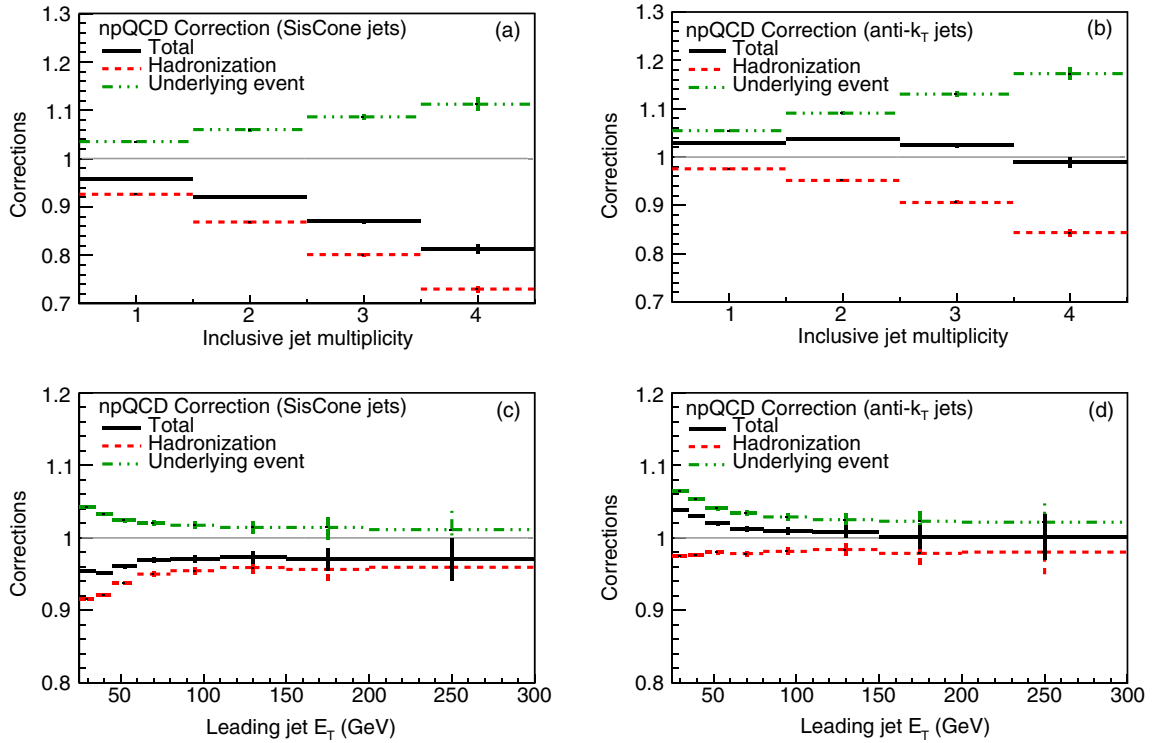

FIG. 6.   Nonperturbative QCD (npQCD) corrections applied to the MCFM theoretical predictions. The corrections as functions of the inclusive jet multiplicity [(a) and (b)] and the leading jet E_T [(c) and (d)] are derived using SISCONE jets [(a) and (c)] and anti-k_T jets [(b) and (d)]. The hadronization (dashed lines) and the underlying event (dot-dashed lines) contributions to the total corrections (solid lines) are shown.

VIII. THEORETICAL PREDICTIONS

The differential cross-section measurements are compared with the predictions from various theoretical calculations.

The ALPGEN+PYTHIA predictions use ALPGEN [28] to simulate the production of *n* partons in association with a *W* boson and PYTHIA [29] to perform the showering and hadronization. The CTEQ5L [33] parton distribution functions are used with the nominal choice of the renormalization and factorization scale (μ), i.e., $\mu_0 = \sqrt{m_W^2 + P_T^2}$, where P_T^2 is the sum of the squared transverse momenta of all final-state partons from the same interaction point. The renormalization and factorization scale variations cover uncertainties connected with missing higher orders in the predictions. Jets are clustered with the JETCLU algorithm with a radius parameter of 0.4.

Predictions computed with the MCFM 6.8 [46] generator are carried out at NLO for inclusive cross sections with number of jets $N = 1$ and 2 but are limited to LO for $N = 3$. No prediction is available for $N = 4$. The MCFM

predictions are generated using the CTEQ6.6 PDF set [47], with the same choice of renormalization and factorization scales as the ALPGEN+PYTHIA predictions, with the exception of the LO prediction, for which μ_0 equals $H_T/2$, where H_T is the scalar sum of the transverse momenta of all final-state particles.

For comparison of the MCFM predictions with measured cross sections at the particle level, hadronization is introduced using ALPGEN+PYTHIA and jets are clustered at both particle level and parton level using infrared- and collinear-safe algorithms [48]. Nonperturbative QCD (npQCD) corrections due to hadronization and the underlying event [30] are included in the MCFM predictions before comparison with the measured cross sections. These npQCD corrections are shown in Fig. 6, where the contribution due to hadronization is opposite to that of the underlying event. The hadronization component is estimated by comparing the cross sections at the particle level with the ones at the parton level. The effects of the underlying event are evaluated by comparing cross sections at the particle level with and without the underlying event contribution. Jets are
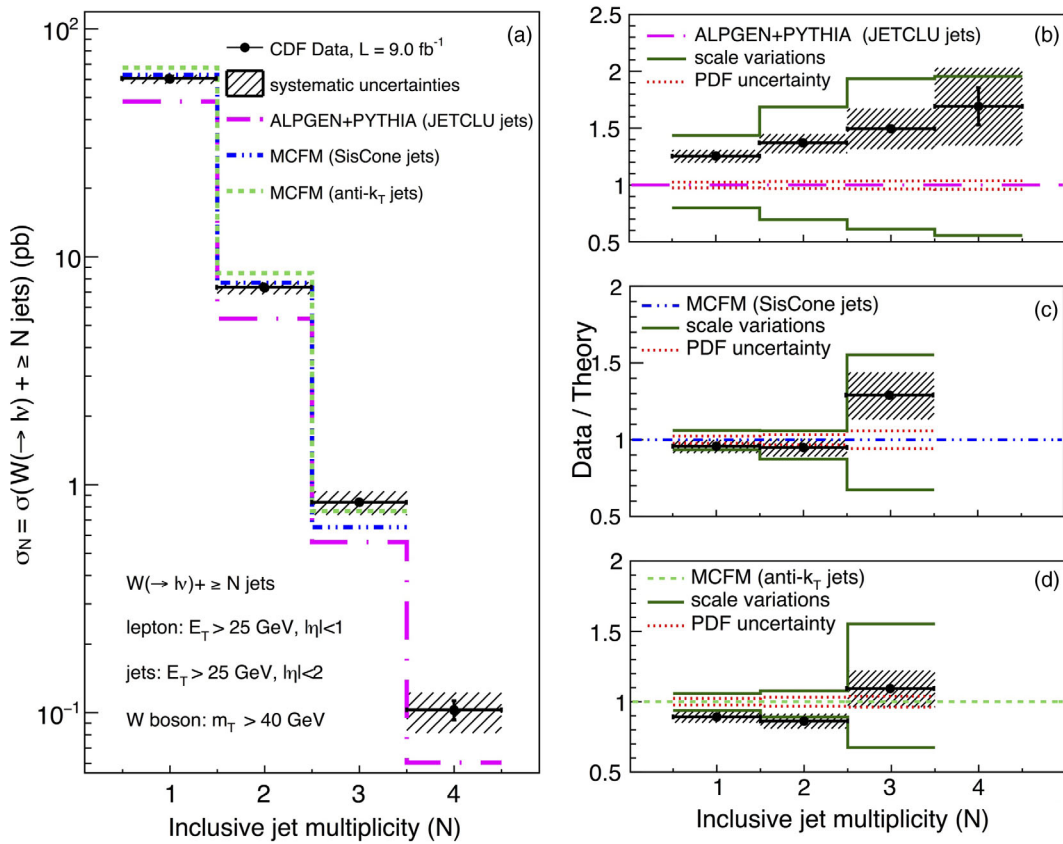

FIG. 7.   Measured inclusive jet cross sections (black dots) [$\sigma_N = \sigma(W(\to \ell\nu)+ \geq N\mathrm{jets})$], as functions of the inclusive jet multiplicity for $W+ \geq N$ jet events compared to the theoretical predictions described in Sec. VIII. The panels show (a) the absolute comparisons, the ratios of the measured cross sections to (b) the ALPGEN+PYTHIA predictions and to (c) the MCFM theoretical predictions corrected for npQCD prediction using SISCONE and to (d) anti-k_T jets. The shaded bands show the total systematic uncertainties, except for the 6% luminosity uncertainty. The dashed and solid lines indicate the PDF uncertainties and the uncertainties corresponding to the variation of the factorization and renormalization scale μ, respectively.

clustered at the parton level and at the particle level using both the anti-k_T [49] and the SISCONE v.1.4.0-devel [50] infrared- and collinear-safe algorithms provided by the FASTJET v.2.4.1 package [51]. In both algorithms the jet radius is set to be 0.4 and for the SISCONE algorithm two jets are merged when they share 75% of the energy.

The systematic uncertainties in the theoretical cross sections contain contributions from PDF and scale uncertainties. The PDF uncertainties are obtained by varying each of the eigenvalues in the CTEQ5L and CTEQ6.6 sets by 1 standard deviation [52]. The largest uncertainty in the theoretical predictions is due to the choice of the renormalization and factorization scales, which are kept equal to each other and are varied between the extremes $\mu_0/2$ and $2\mu_0$.

IX. RESULTS AND COMPARISON WITH THEORETICAL PREDICTIONS

The cross sections as functions of the jet multiplicity $[\sigma_N = \sigma(W(\to \ell\nu) + \geq N\text{jets})]$ and the leading-jet E_T $(d\sigma_1/dE_T^{\text{jet}})$ are shown in Figs. 7 and 8. The ALPGEN+ PYTHIA and the MCFM predictions, corrected for npQCD effects, are included for comparison. Both the measurements

and the predictions are particle-level cross sections restricted to the following requirements on the final-state particles: only one central ($|\eta| < 1$) lepton with $E_T > 25$ GeV and at least one jet with $E_T > 25$ GeV and pseudorapidity $|\eta| < 2$. The reconstructed transverse mass of the W boson is required to be greater than 40 GeV/c^2. Jets are reconstructed using the JETCLU algorithm with a radius parameter of 0.4 in the measurement and in the ALPGEN+PYTHIA predictions, while for the MCFM predictions, the algorithms used are the anti-k_T and cone algorithm.

Figures 7(b)–(d) and 8(b)–(d) show that the ALPGEN+ PYTHIA predictions are affected by a large uncertainty due to variations of the renormalization and factorization scales. The data are consistent with the predictions within these uncertainties. The NLO MCFM predictions corrected for npQCD effects agree with the measurements despite the differences in the jet-reconstruction algorithms used in MCFM and this analysis. This observation would be more significant if similar infrared-safe reconstruction algorithms had been used for both the theory and the data analysis. However, as observed in Ref. [53], the differences between the SISCONE and anti-k_T algorithms used for the
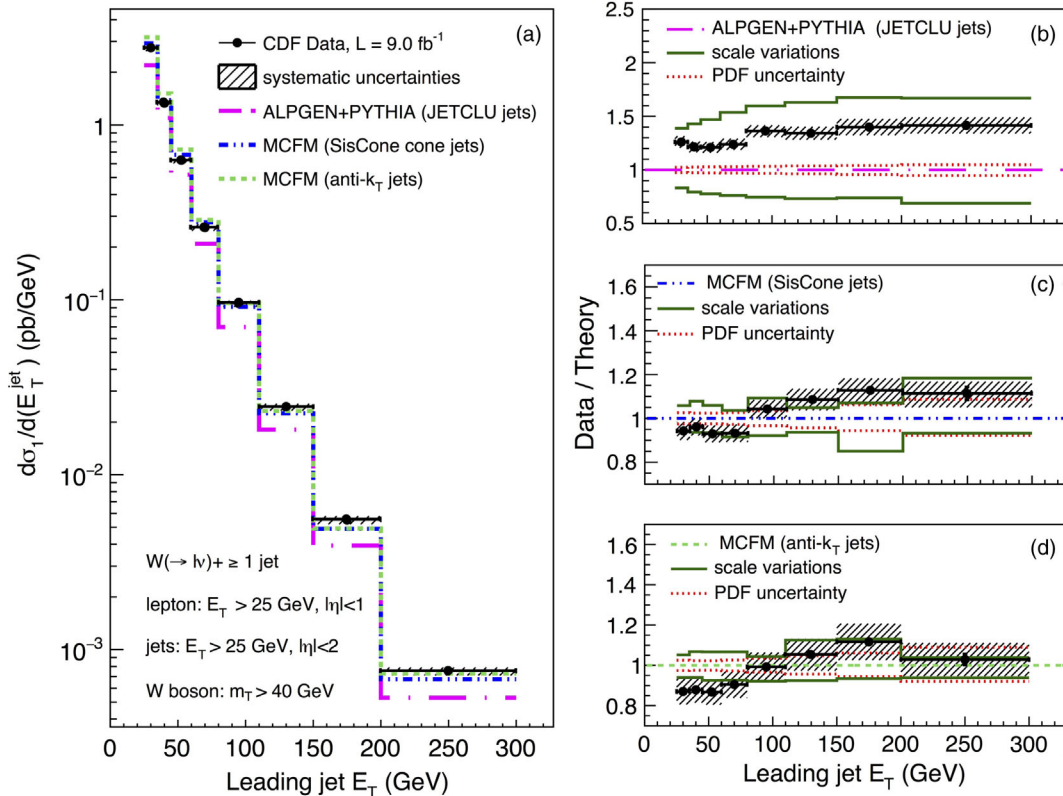

FIG. 8.   Measured differential cross sections ($d\sigma_1/dE_T^{\text{jet}}$) as functions of the leading jet E_T for $W+ \geq 1$ jet events compared to the theoretical predictions described in Sec. VIII. The panels show (a) the absolute comparisons, the ratios of the measured cross sections to (b) the ALPGEN+PYTHIA predictions and to (c) the MCFM theoretical predictions corrected for npQCD prediction using SISCONE and to (d) anti-k_T jets. The shaded bands show the total systematic uncertainties, except for the 6% luminosity uncertainty. The dashed and solid lines indicate the PDF uncertainties and the uncertainties corresponding to the variation of the factorization and renormalization scale μ, respectively.
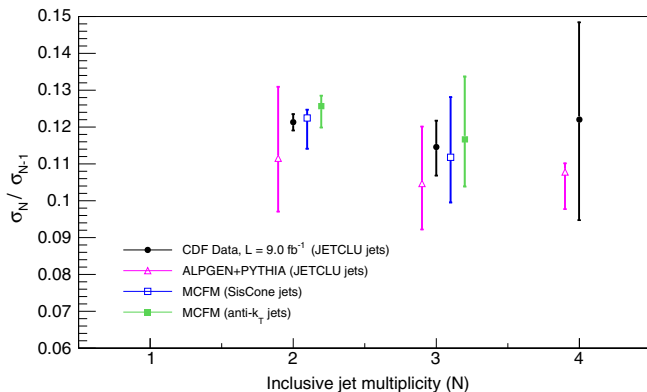
FIG. 9. Ratio between inclusive-jet differential cross sections (σ_N/σ_{N-1} for $N = 2, 3, 4$) in data (black dots), ALPGEN+PYTHIA predictions (triangles), and MCFM predictions corrected for npQCD effects using SISCONE cone (open squares) and anti-k_T jets (solid squares). The σ_N/σ_{N-1} MCFM prediction for $N = 3$ is a LO ratio, while no MCFM is available for $N > 3$. Error bars show the total uncertainties.

MCFM NLO predictions is indicative of the bias introduced by the use of JETCLU. These differences are observed to be smaller than the uncertainties in the measurements. Moreover, a similar agreement between data and theory has been observed previously in analogous comparisons [54].

Figure 9 shows the ratios between inclusive jet multiplicity cross sections (σ_N/σ_{N-1}). The MCFM prediction for $N = 3$ is calculated using a LO prediction for both the numerator (σ_3) and the denominator (σ_2), while NLO predictions are used for the numerator and the denominator for $N = 2$. The theoretical predictions agree with the measurements. The cross-section ratios are sensitive to the strong-interaction coupling, and display no discernible dependence on the jet multiplicity, as expected.

X. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Measurements of differential inclusive cross sections for the production of jets in association with a W boson, using 9.0 fb^{-1} of $p\bar{p}$ collision data collected by the CDF experiment at the Tevatron, are reported. The differential cross sections as functions of jet multiplicity and leading-jet E_T are measured independently for the $W(\to e\nu)$ and $W(\to \mu\nu)$ decay modes and are combined at the particle level after unfolding detector acceptance and resolution effects. Measurements are performed in the kinematic region $E_T^\ell > 25$ GeV, $|\eta^\ell| < 1$, $E_T^{\text{jet}} > 25$ GeV, $|\eta^{\text{jet}}| < 2$, and $m_T^W > 40$ GeV/c^2 and jets are reconstructed with the JETCLU algorithm. Cross sections are compared with the theoretical predictions of the ALPGEN generator interfaced with PYTHIA (enhanced leading-order QCD predictions) and the MCFM generator (next-to-leading order QCD predictions) corrected for nonperturbative QCD effects. The theoretical predictions are mainly affected by the

uncertainty on the factorization and renormalization scale. This uncertainty of the ALPGEN+PYTHIA predictions is significantly larger than the uncertainty on the measurements, whereas for the MCFM predictions it is comparable to the experimental uncertainty. The agreement with these predictions observed for the measurements reported here suggests that the NLO perturbative QCD calculations properly model the jet multiplicity and jet E_T distributions of the $W +$ jets process. The ratio of the lepton coupling constants reported in Table III is consistent with lepton universality and validates the procedure used to evaluate the QCD background. The production of a W boson in association with jets is among the dominant backgrounds in current measurements and searches for nonstandard-model physics at the Large Hadron Collider. The proper modeling of this process, supported by our work, is therefore important to consolidate and enhance the physics reach of Large Hadron Collider studies.

APPENDIX A: BACKGROUND VALIDATION PLOTS

As a consistency check of the background models, data and predictions are compared in a control region where the background contributions are expected to be much larger than the signal, as explained in Sec. IV. In addition to those shown in Fig. 1 of Sec. IV C, other examples of background-modeling validation plots for the electron and muon channels are shown in Figs. 10 and 11, respectively. The reasonably good agreement between the data and the predictions supports the assumption that the multijet model and the MC simulations adequately describe the contributions from the background processes.
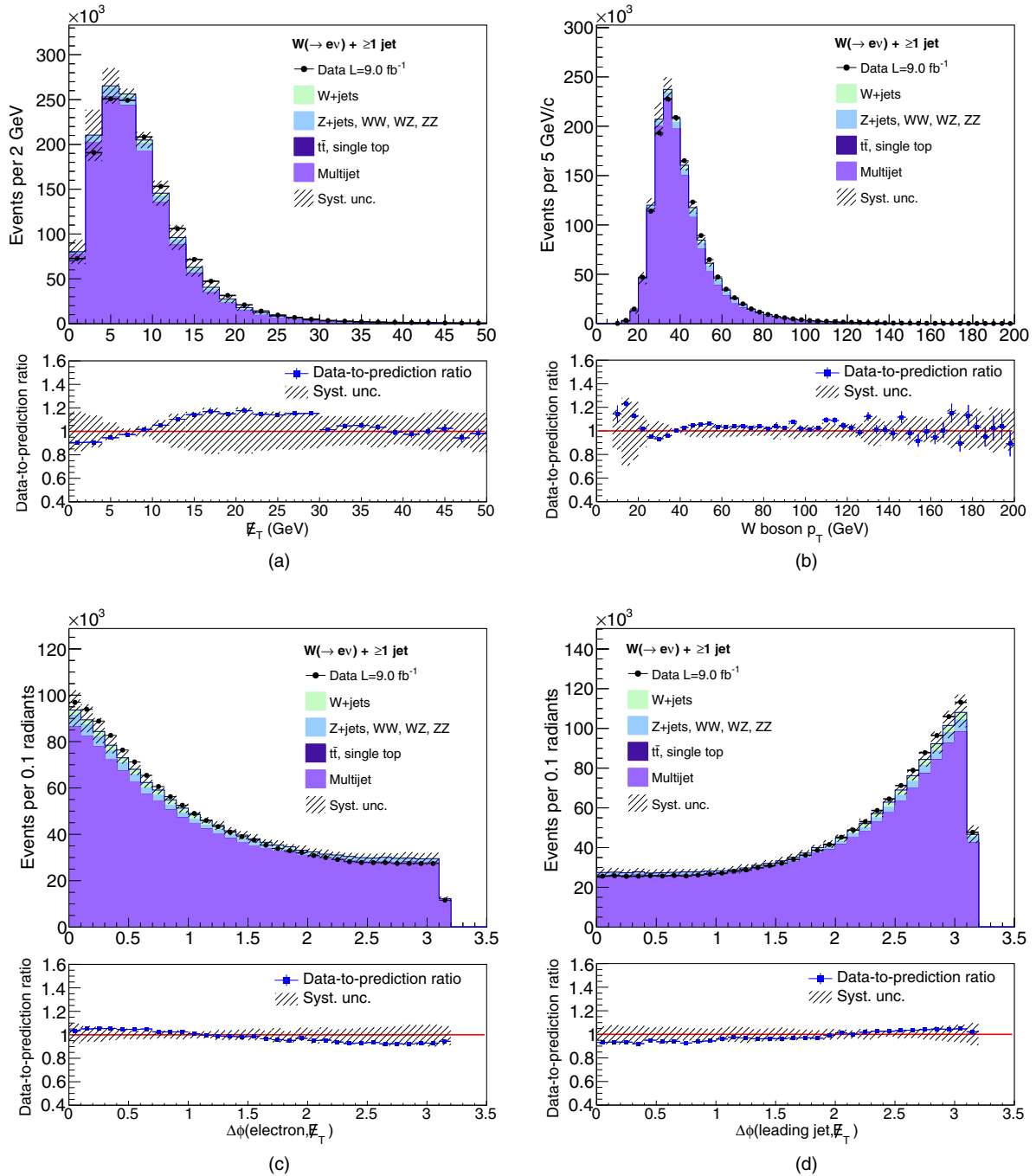
FIG. 10. Validation plots of the background model in the electron channel: comparison between the data and the prediction for the distributions of (a) missing transverse energy $\not{E}_T$, (b) W-boson p_T, (c) azimuthal distance between the electron and the $\vec{\not{E}}_T$ [$\Delta\phi(e, \vec{\not{E}}_T)$], and (d) azimuthal distance between the leading jet and the $\vec{\not{E}}_T$ [$\Delta\phi(\text{leading jet}, \vec{\not{E}}_T)$] in the control region. The data are represented by the black points while the signal and the background predictions are represented by stacked histograms. Systematic uncertainties on the predictions are indicated by the shaded areas (see Sec. IV for discussion on systematic uncertainty). The lower plots show the ratios between the data and the corresponding predictions.
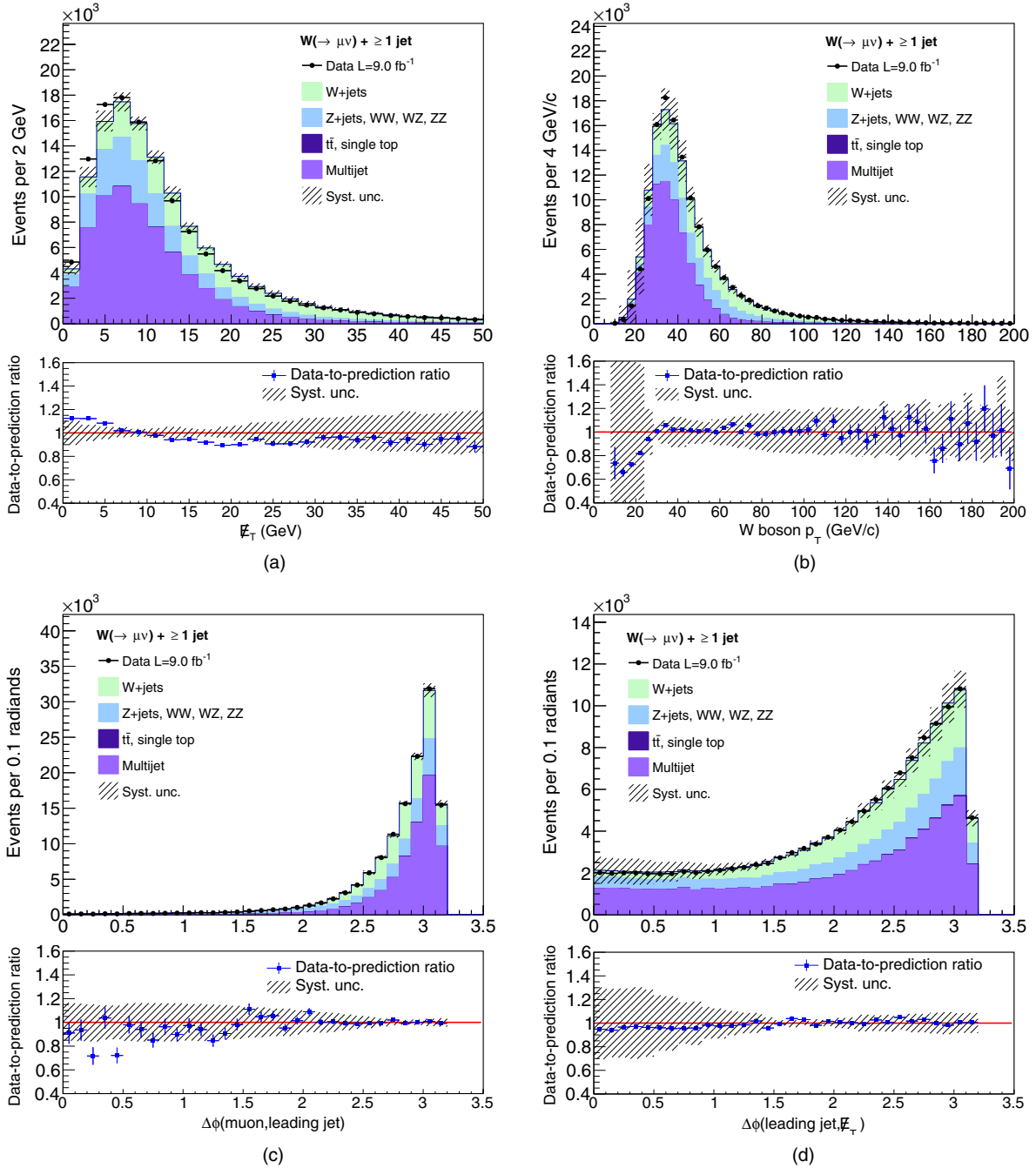
FIG. 11. Validation plots of the background model in the muon channel: comparison between the data and the prediction for the distributions of (a) missing transverse energy $\not{E}_T$, (b) W-boson p_T, (c) azimuthal distance between the muon and the leading jet [$\Delta\phi(\mu, \text{leading jet})$], and (d) azimuthal distance between the leading jet and the $\vec{\not{E}}_T$ [$\Delta\phi(\text{leading jet}, \vec{\not{E}}_T)$] in the control region. The data are represented by the black points while the signal and the background predictions are represented by stacked histograms. Systematic uncertainties on the predictions are indicated by the shaded areas (see Sec. IV for discussion on systematic uncertainty). The lower plots show the ratios between the data and the corresponding predictions.

APPENDIX B: DETECTOR RESPONSE AND ACCEPTANCE MATRICES FOR THE PARTICLE-LEVEL RESULTS

The detector response matrices account for migrations of events between the bins in which the cross sections are measured and the corresponding bins at particle level.

They are nondiagonal matrices as shown in Figs. 12 and 13, where the fraction of detector-level events reconstructed from each particle-level bin is presented.

The acceptance matrices quantify the probabilities of an event to be detected and selected, as functions of the particle-level quantities N jets and E_T^{jet}. The acceptance

FIG. 12. Detector response matrices that describe the migration between bins corrected by the unfolding procedure for the measurement of $\sigma(W(\to \ell\nu) + N\text{jets})$ (a) in the electron channel ($\ell = e$), and (b) in the muon channel ($\ell = \mu$).
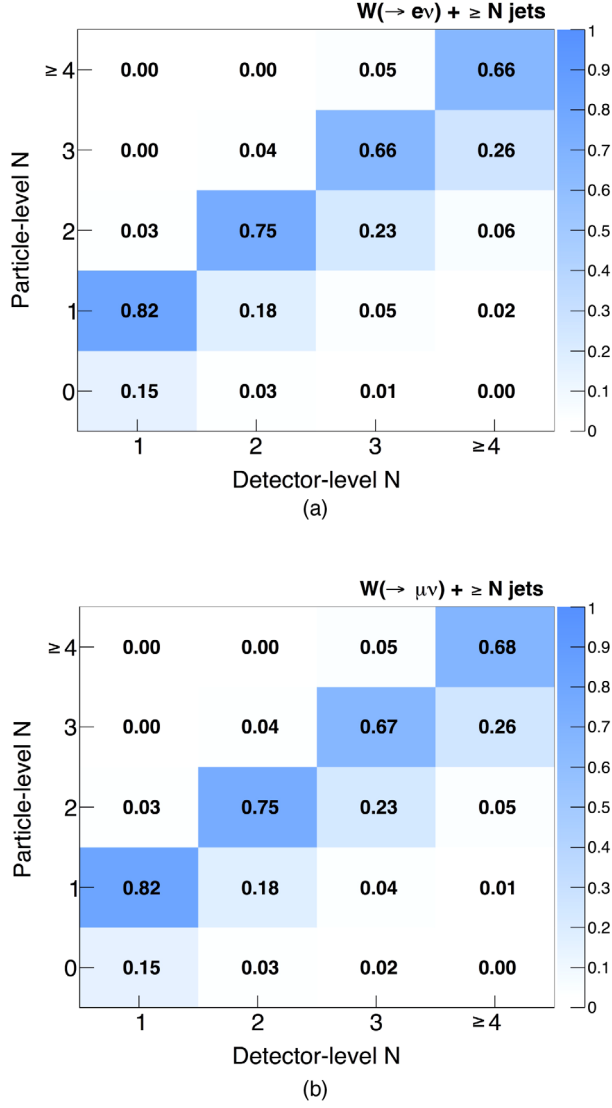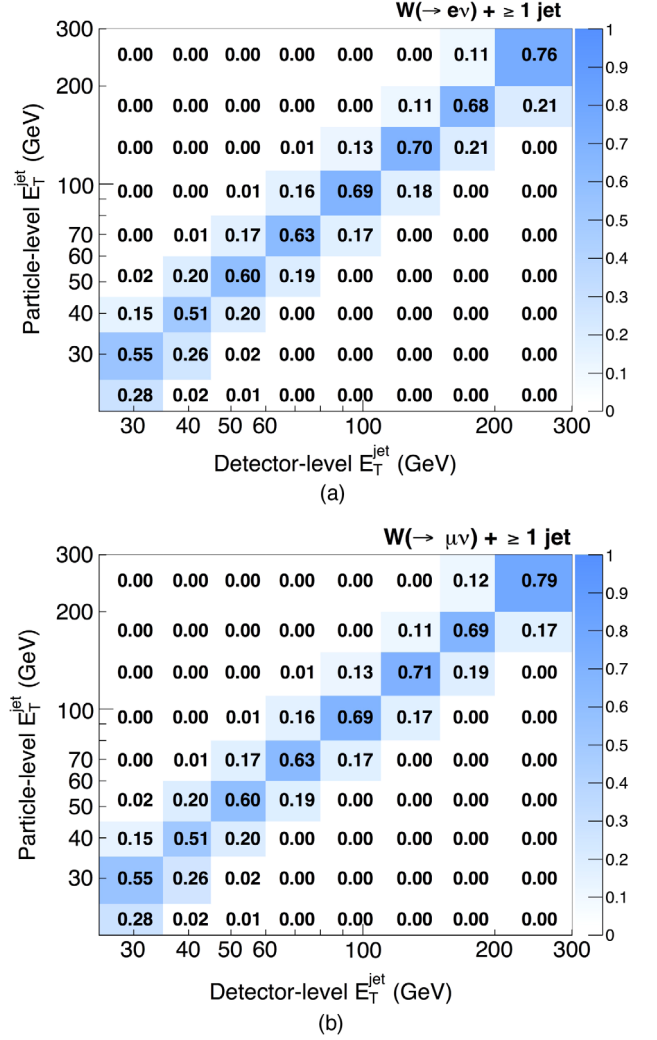

FIG. 13. Detector response matrices that describe the migration between bins corrected by the unfolding procedure for the measurement of $d\sigma_1/dE_T^{\text{jet}}$, where $\sigma_1 = W(\to \ell\nu) + \geq 1\text{jet}$ (a) for the electron ($\ell = e$), and (b) for the muon ($\ell = \mu$) channels.

matrices are diagonal, and the entries are listed in Tables IV and V. About 35%–50% of the particle-level events are selected in each bin. The uncertainties reported include only the statistical contribution.

TABLE IV. Diagonal elements of the acceptance matrices for the particle-level measurement of $\sigma(W(\to e\nu) + N\text{jets})$ and $\sigma(W(\to \mu\nu) + N\text{jets})$. The uncertainties reported are only statistical.

	$W(\to e\nu)$ channel	$W(\to \mu\nu)$ channel
$N = 1\text{jet}$	$(35.33 \pm 0.04)\%$	$(35.38 \pm 0.04)\%$
$N = 2\text{jets}$	$(36.9 \pm 0.1)\%$	$(37.0 \pm 0.1)\%$
$N = 3\text{jets}$	$(37.4 \pm 0.2)\%$	$(37.6 \pm 0.2)\%$
$N \geq 4\text{jets}$	$(38.3 \pm 0.3)\%$	$(38.2 \pm 0.2)\%$

TABLE V. Diagonal elements of the acceptance matrices for the particle-level measurement of $d\sigma_1/dE_T^{\text{jet}}$ [where $\sigma_1 = W(\to \ell\nu) + \geq 1\text{jet}$] for the electron ($\ell = e$) and muon ($\ell = \mu$) channels. The uncertainties reported are only those from Monte Carlo statistics.

	$W(\to e\nu)$ channel	$W(\to \mu\nu)$ channel
$25 \text{ GeV} \leq E_T^{\text{jet}} < 35 \text{ GeV}$	$(35.03 \pm 0.05)\%$	$(35.09 \pm 0.05)\%$
$35 \text{ GeV} \leq E_T^{\text{jet}} < 45 \text{ GeV}$	$(35.06 \pm 0.07)\%$	$(35.12 \pm 0.07)\%$
$45 \text{ GeV} \leq E_T^{\text{jet}} < 60 \text{ GeV}$	$(35.58 \pm 0.08)\%$	$(35.5 \pm 0.08)\%$
$60 \text{ GeV} \leq E_T^{\text{jet}} < 80 \text{ GeV}$	$(36.2 \pm 0.1)\%$	$(36.4 \pm 0.1)\%$
$80 \text{ GeV} \leq E_T^{\text{jet}} < 110 \text{ GeV}$	$(38.5 \pm 0.2)\%$	$(38.4 \pm 0.2)\%$
$110 \text{ GeV} \leq E_T^{\text{jet}} < 150 \text{ GeV}$	$(41.7 \pm 0.3)\%$	$(41.7 \pm 0.3)\%$
$150 \text{ GeV} \leq E_T^{\text{jet}} < 200 \text{ GeV}$	$(45.4 \pm 0.6)\%$	$(45.5 \pm 0.6)\%$
$200 \text{ GeV} \leq E_T^{\text{jet}} < 300 \text{ GeV}$	$(49.5 \pm 1.3)\%$	$(51.4 \pm 1.3)\%$

APPENDIX C: CROSS-SECTION TABLES

The measured inclusive cross sections for each jet multiplicity and the differential cross sections with respect to the transverse energy of the leading jet are reported in Tables VI and VII, respectively.

TABLE VI.   Measured inclusive $W(\to \ell\nu)+ \geq N$jets cross sections for each jet multiplicity. Cross sections and uncertainties are expressed in pb.

	σ_N	Statistical uncertainty	Systematic uncertainty	Luminosity uncertainty
$W(\to \ell\nu)+ \geq 1$jet	60.2	± 0.1	$+2.6 - 2.8$	± 3.6
$W(\to \ell\nu)+ \geq 2$jets	7.31	± 0.04	$+0.44 - 0.46$	± 0.44
$W(\to \ell\nu)+ \geq 3$jets	0.84	± 0.02	$+0.10 - 0.10$	± 0.05
$W(\to \ell\nu)+ \geq 4$jets	0.10	± 0.01	$+0.02 - 0.02$	± 0.01

TABLE VII.   Measured differential cross section $d\sigma_1/dE_T^{jet}$ for each E^{jet} bin. Cross sections and uncertainties are expressed in pb/GeV.

	$d\sigma_1/dE_T^{jet}$	Statistical uncertainty	Systematic uncertainty	Luminosity uncertainty
25 GeV $\leq E_T^{jet} < 35$ GeV	2.763	± 0.007	$+0.120 - 0.121$	± 0.166
35 GeV $\leq E_T^{jet} < 45$ GeV	1.331	± 0.004	$+0.055 - 0.055$	± 0.080
45 GeV $\leq E_T^{jet} < 60$ GeV	0.628	± 0.003	$+0.026 - 0.026$	± 0.038
60 GeV $\leq E_T^{jet} < 80$ GeV	0.259	± 0.002	$+0.011 - 0.011$	± 0.016
80 GeV $\leq E_T^{jet} < 110$ GeV	0.095	± 0.001	$+0.0038 - 0.0039$	± 0.005
110 GeV $\leq E_T^{jet} < 150$ GeV	0.0243	± 0.0004	$+0.0011 - 0.0011$	± 0.0015
150 GeV $\leq E_T^{jet} < 200$ GeV	0.0055	± 0.0001	$+0.0003 - 0.0003$	± 0.0004
200 GeV $\leq E_T^{jet} < 300$ GeV	0.00075	± 0.00002	$+0.00004 - 0.00004$	± 0.00005

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