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Measurement of Inclusive D* Meson and D* Meson Dijet Cross Sections in Photoproduction at HERA

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The inclusive photoproduction of D*mesons and of D*-tagged dijets is investigated with the H1 detector at the ep collider HERA. The kinematic region covers small photon virtualities $Q^2 < 2~{\rm GeV}^2$ and photon-proton centre-of-mass energies of $100 < W_{\gamma p} < 285~{\rm GeV}$. Inclusive \dstar\ meson differential cross sections are measured for central rapidities $|\eta(D*)| < 1.5$ and transverse momenta $p_T(D*) > 1.8~{\rm GeV}$. The heavy quark production process is further investigated in events with at least two jets with transverse momentum

 $ptj>3.5~{
m GeV}$ each, one containing the \dstar\ meson. Differential cross sections for D*-tagged dijet production and for correlations between the jets are measured in the range $|\eta(D*)|<1.5~{
m and}~p_T(D*)>2.1~{
m GeV}.$ The results are compared with predictions from Monte Carlo simulations and next-to-leading order perturbative QCD calculations.

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