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**Search for  $W'$  boson resonances decaying to a top quark and a bottom quark** MONICA PANGILINAN, Brown University, D0 COLLABORATION — We search for the production of a heavy  $W'$  gauge boson that decays to third generation quarks in  $0.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of  $p \bar{p}$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96 \text{ TeV}$ , collected with the D0 detector at the Fermilab Tevatron collider. We find no significant excess in the final-state invariant mass distribution and set upper limits on the production cross section times branching fraction. For a left-handed  $W'$  boson with SM couplings, we set a lower mass limit of 731 GeV. For right-handed  $W'$  bosons, we set lower mass limits of 739 GeV if the  $W'$  boson decays to both leptons and quarks and 768 GeV if the  $W'$  boson decays only to quarks. We also set limits on the coupling of the  $W'$  boson to fermions as a function of its mass.

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