# The Forward Proton Taggers at H1

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#### Outline:

- Introduction
- Physics results from HERA I
- Installation of the VFPS
- > Expected results at HERA II



## Diffraction at HERA





- $Q^2$ , x (or W),  $M_X$
- longitudinal momentum fraction of the proton carried by the colourless exchange:

$$x_{IP} = \frac{q \cdot (P - p_Y)}{q \cdot P} \approx \frac{Q^2 + M_X^2}{Q^2 + W^2}$$

• longitudinal momentum fraction of the colourless exchange carried by the struck quark:

$$\beta = \frac{x}{x_{IP}} \approx \frac{Q^2}{Q^2 + M_X^2}$$

• four-momentum transfer squared *t* 

#### HERA I :

- > Measurements of  $F_2^D$ , incl. final states, jets, charm, excl.VM, DVCS, ...
- BUT statistically (exclusive channels) and systematically (proton dissociation) limited !

#### HERA II :

- Major upgrade of the H1 detector
- > High luminosity need for efficient diffractive trigger
- Need for clean selection by directly tagging the elastically scattered proton

# HERA I results: $F_2^{LP}$



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### Beam simulation studies



#### Non-linear corrections !

- > Non-linear effects in energy deviation
- Sextupoles
- > Offset, tilted magnets

### **VFPS** location

- > VPFS location is optimised for acceptance → 220m NL
- Proton beam is approached horizontally (use HERA bend)

H1

 Bypass is needed to access the beam pipe in the cold section of HERA

VFPS

HERA-B



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### **VFPS** Acceptance



- > Use beam line simulation
- Detectors approach beam up to 12 times the beam enveloppe + 3 mm "coasting beam margin"
- > Horizontal FPS needs large *t* to separate protons
- > Vertical FPS uses dispersion of magnet, needs large  $x_{IP}$
- > VFPS uses dispersion of HERA bend to detect protons with small *t* and  $x_{IP}$  (dominant region for *IP* exchange)
- Acceptance range:

	FPS-H	FPS-V	VFPS
t	0.2 - 0.4	0 0.15	0 0.25
$X_{I\!P}$	$10^{-5} - 10^{-2}$	0.05-0.15	0.01 - 0.02
local acc.	~ 30%	~ 100%	~100%





### **VFPS** Reconstruction



## **VFPS** Resolution



- > Resolution dominated by the beam characteristics (with minimal sensitivity to the spatial resolution of the fibre detector)
- >  $x_{IP}$  resolution is competitive with the reconstruction of  $x_{IP}$  by H1
- $> \sim 4$  bins in *t*
- $\sim 15$  bins in  $\Phi$  for |t| > 0.2 GeV<sup>2</sup>

## VFPS Alignment

- Relative positioning of the pots vs the nominal beam
  Eventation
- > Exploit  $x_{IP}$  measurement by H1
- > Use forward peak t = 0
- Calibration fit:

$$\chi^{2} = \frac{\theta_{x}^{2}}{\sigma_{x}^{2}} + \frac{\theta_{y}^{2}}{\sigma_{y}^{2}} + \frac{(x_{IP} - x_{IP}^{HI})}{\sigma_{(x_{IP} - x_{IP}^{HI})}^{2}}$$

Alignment precision of ~100 µm is feasible
Alternative fits are possible with e.g. elastic rho mesons



## Cold beam line bypass

Modification of 10m drift segment: horizontal bypass for helium and superconductor lines



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### Cold beam line bypass



### Roman Pot insert



### VFPS detector

### VFPS detector:

2 detectors per Roman Pot station
1 detector: 4 trigger tiles in u-direction + u fibre plane + v fibre plane + 4 trigger tiles in v-direction
Spatial detector resolution ~ 100 µm
Cosmic tests: very good efficiency (~99%)

#### Fiber specifications:

- ≻ Diameter 480 µm
- ▹ Pitch 340 µm

### Optical connection:

- > 5 fibre layers (= 1 plane) → 1 light guide
- > 4 light guides → 1 PSPM pixel (multiplexing)





### VFPS in the HERA tunnel



### Present status VFPS

- > VFPS completely installed
- > Vacuum fine
- > Data Acquisition ready + working
- Slow Control ready + working
- > BUT due to H1 safety problems: VFPS in parking position ...
  - → should be solved before the end of the year
  - → hopefully first VFPS data beginning 2004
  - → will be used to time in the signals and calibrate the detectors

### Expected results: Inclusive diffraction

- Luminosity 350 pb<sup>-1</sup> (3 years of HERA II running with 50% VFPS operation efficiency)
- > Study t dependence  $F_2^{D(4)}(Q^2, \beta, x_{IP}, t)$
- c(Q<sup>2</sup>) . σ<sub>r</sub><sup>D(3)</sup> > Uncorrelated systematic errors can approach the level of  $F_2$  (few %)
- > Test hard scattering factorisation (extract diffr. pdf's at fixed  $x_{IP}$  and t + predict final states
- > Event yields:

event sample	no coasting beam	coasting beam
$0 <  t  < 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$	1800000	810000
$0.2 <  t  < 0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$	330000	160000
$0.4 <  t  < 0.6 \text{ GeV}^2$	47000	23000
$0.6 <  t  < 0.8 \text{ GeV}^2$	6000	3000

#### t INTEGRATED $\sigma_r^{D}$ (350 pb<sup>-1</sup>)



# Expected results: $F_L$ measurements

$$\sigma_r^{D(4)} = F_2^{D(4)} - \frac{y^2}{2(1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2})} F_L^{D(4)}$$

$$y = Q^2 / s_{ep} x$$

### Φ asymmetry:

> pQCD calculable higher twist  $F_L^{\ D}$  expected dominant at high  $\beta$ 

→ Measure  $\Phi$  asymmetries as a function of  $\beta$  (and Q2) (remember VFPS can measure 15 bins in  $\Phi$ )

### Leading twist $F_{I}^{D}$ :

> Indirect extraction at low  $\beta$  from NLO QCD fits (gluons!) to  $\sigma_r^{D(4)}$ 

#### Reduced proton beam energy:

> 40% precision on  $\sigma_L^D / \sigma_T^D$  expected with 50 pb<sup>-1</sup> data at  $E_p = 500 \text{ GeV}$ 

### Expected results: Hadronic final states



#### Diffractive Dijet electroproduction:

- > 96/97 dijet analysis yielded: 2500 events
- > HERAII/VFPS expectation: 22900 events

#### Open charm production:

- > 96/97 D<sup>\*</sup> analysis yielded:  $46 \pm 10$  events
- > HERAII/VFPS expectation: 380 events
- → more differential studies (particularly for D\*)
- direct vs resolved photon contributions
- --- tests of diffractive factorisation theorem



Charm

## Expected results: Exclusive channels

### Deeply Virtual Compton Stattering (DVCS):





- Sensitive to GPD's (extension of pdf for x ≠ x') via interference with Bethe-Heitler process
  - → Measure charge ( $\Re e(A_{DVCS})$ ) and helicity ( $\Im m(A_{DVCS})$ ) asymmetries

### Vector Meson production:

 $e + p \rightarrow e + p + VM$  ;  $VM = \rho$  ,  $J/\psi$  , ...

Clean elastic channel BUT only low W accesible



### Summary

- > VFPS needed to trigger diffractive events at HERA II
- Clean tagging of diffractive scattered proton
- > Very good acceptance in narrow window around  $x_{IP} = 0.01$
- Good resolution on reconstructed proton momentum
- Installation cold beam line bypass succesful
- VFPS completely installed (waiting for first data to time in the signals and calibrate the detector)
- Many interesting physics results to come:
  - \*  $F_2^{D}$ , t dependence,  $F_L^{D}$  and  $\Phi$  asymmetries
  - Final states (dijet, open charm) + tests of factorisation
  - \* DVCS (access to GPD's) and Vector Meson production