

Structure Functions and the Transition Region from Photoproduction to DIS



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Outline

- New H1 and ZEUS inclusive measurements in the transition region

- Dijet measurements in the transition region.

Transition Region from DIS to PHP

The hard and soft regimes of QCD

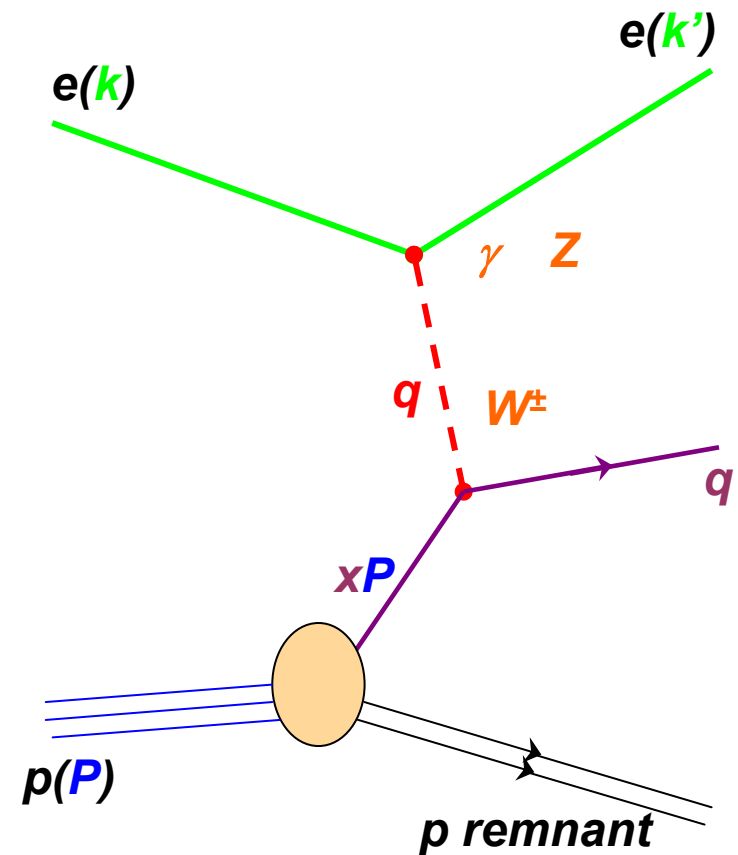


At HERA: probe proton with photon of virtuality:

$$Q^2 = -q^2 = -(k-k')^2$$

Hard scale = Q^2 . Three regions:

- **DIS/ high Q^2** – hard regime, α_s small, pQCD reliable and very succesful in describing hard scattering
- **PHP/low Q^2 (≈ 0)** – soft regime, α_s large, pQCD breaks down, non-perturbative region. Use phenomenological models (Regge, etc.)
- **Transition region** – between low and high Q^2 , in this case between perturbative and non-perturbative regimes. Can we merge them into a unified QCD picture ? HERA plays important role.



New measurements in transition region



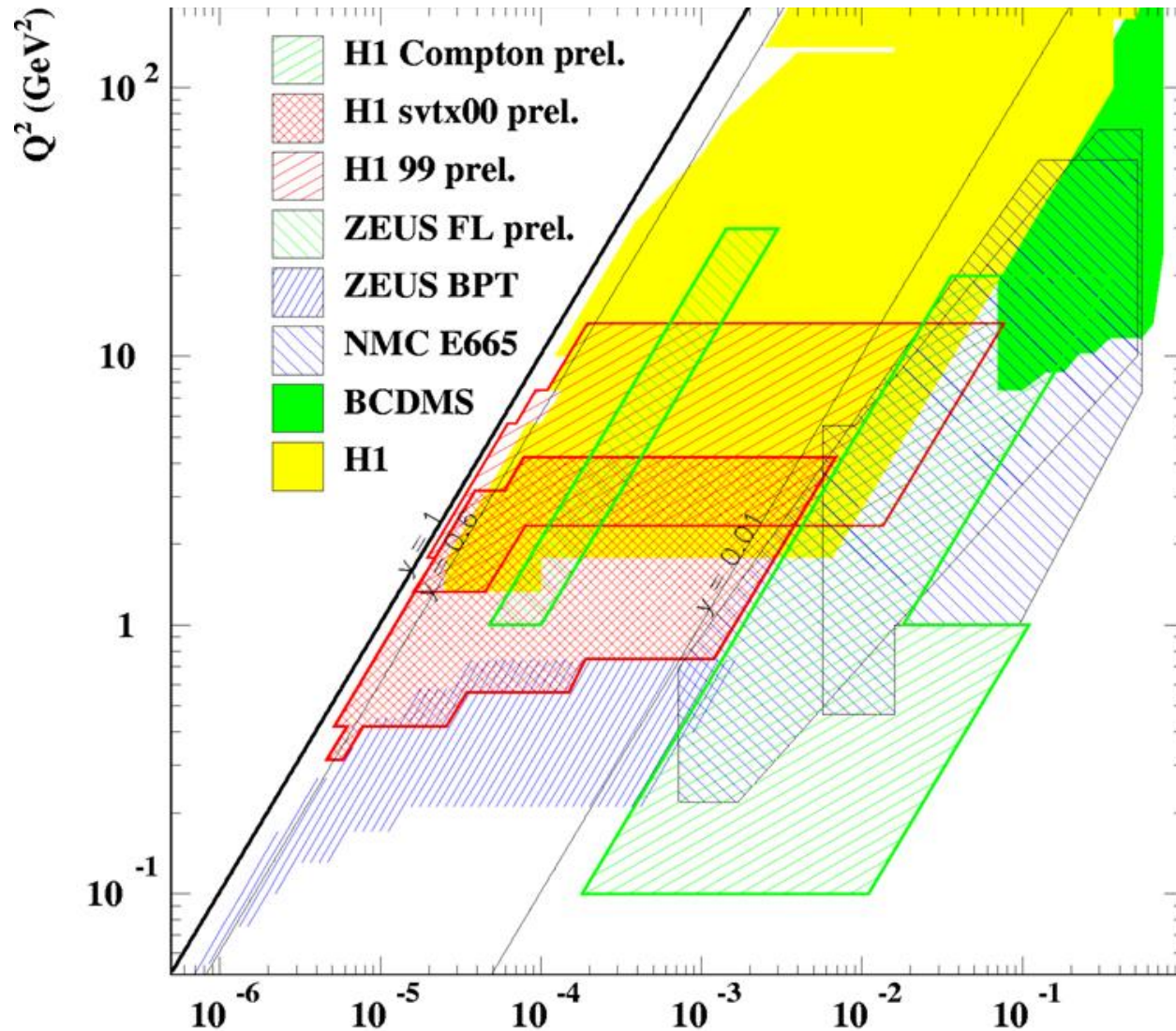
Precise measurements cover transition region around $Q^2 = 1\text{GeV}^2$ in a wide range of x

Previous measurement:

- ZEUS BPC/BPT

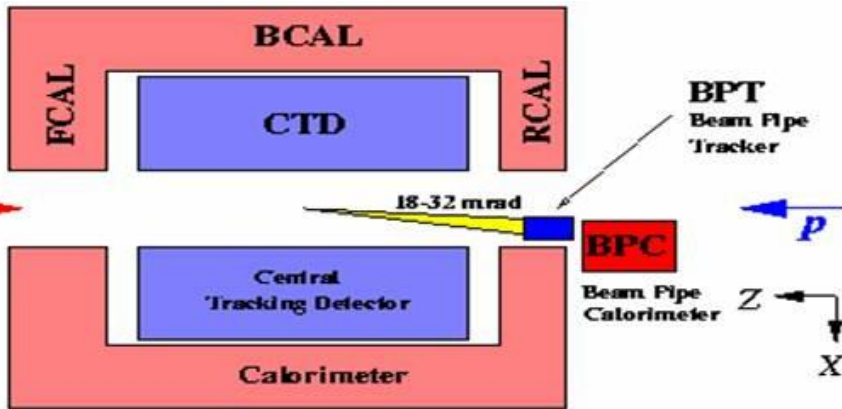
This talk:

- H1 1999 (minimum bias)
- H1 2000 shifted vertex
- H1 1997 QED Compton
- ZEUS ISR (F_L part: see talk from V.Chekelian)



Previous results – ZEUS BPC/BPT

$$Q^2 \approx 2 E_e E_{e'} (1 + \cos(\theta_{e'}))$$



3.9 pb⁻¹ at very low Q² and x:

- 0.045 < Q² < 0.65 GeV²
- 10⁻⁷ < x < 10⁻³

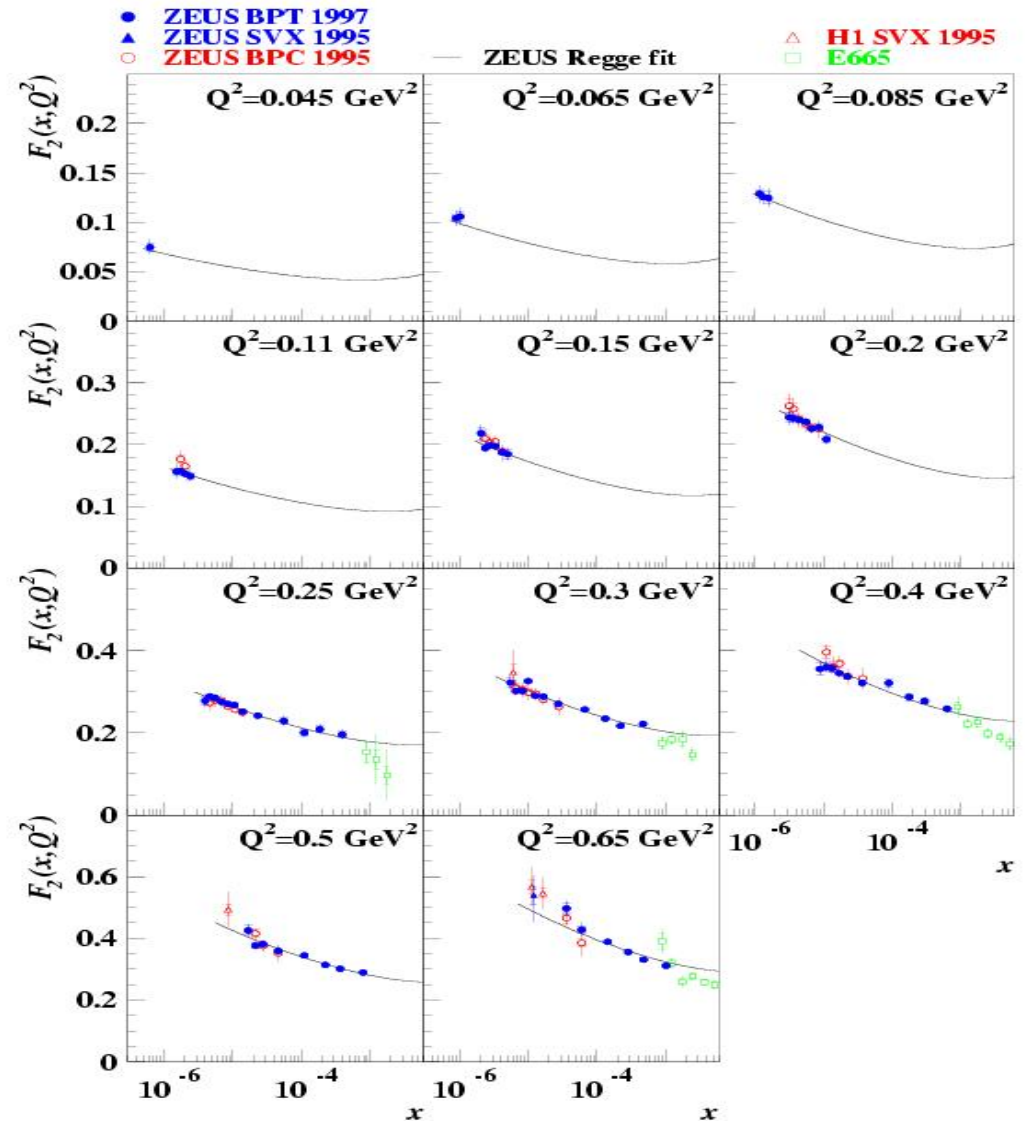
• Rise of F₂ at low x continues at low Q² but is shallower.

• Good description from Regge fit:

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = \left(\frac{Q^2}{4\pi^2\alpha} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{M_0^2}{M_0^2 + Q^2} \right) \cdot \left(A_R \cdot \left(\frac{Q^2}{x} \right)^{\alpha_{\text{R}} - 1} + A_P \cdot \left(\frac{Q^2}{x} \right)^{\alpha_{\text{P}} - 1} \right)$$

Structure functions at low Q²,

ZEUS 1997

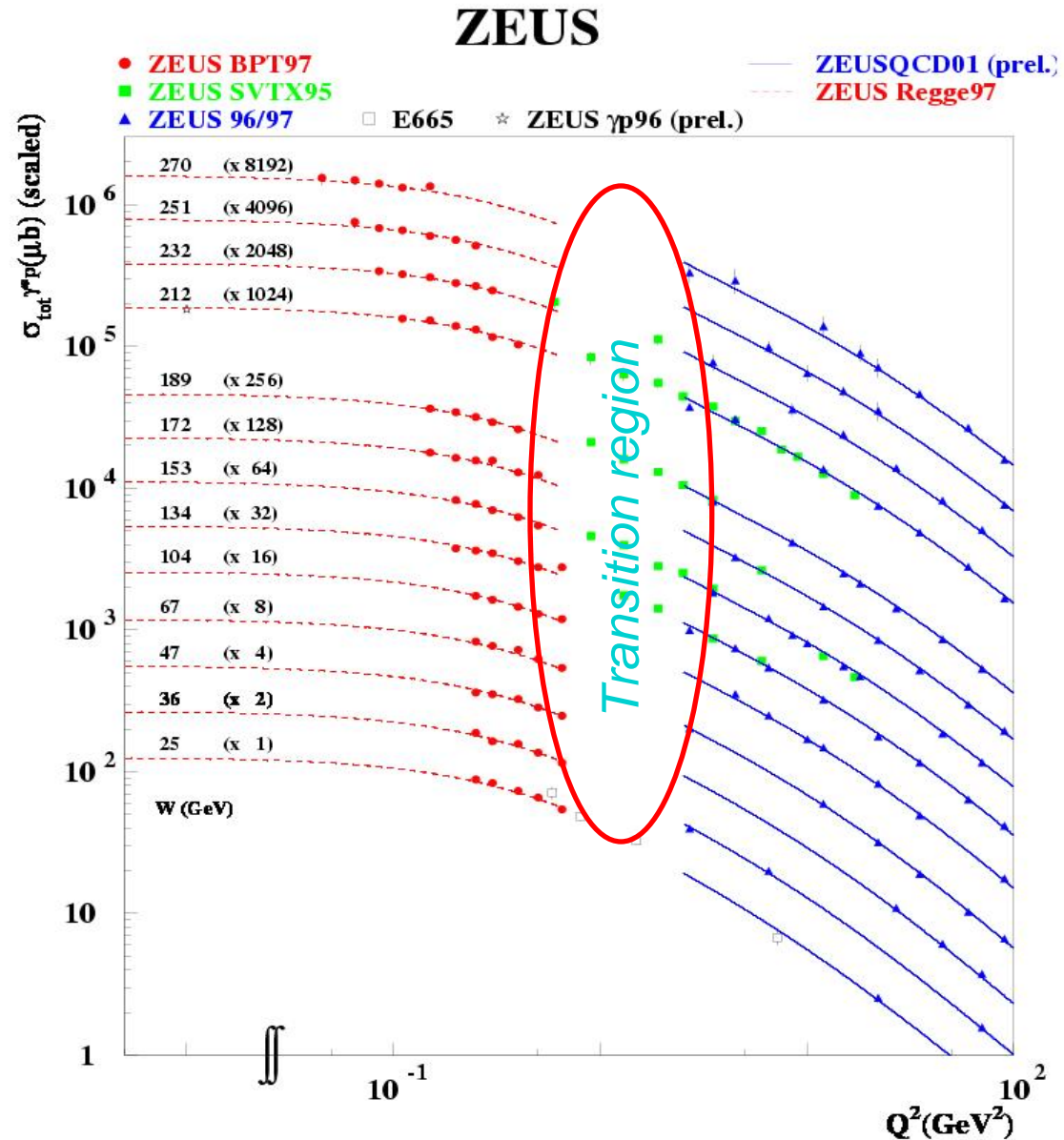




Previous results – ZEUS BPC/BPT

$\sigma_{\text{tot}} \sim F_2/Q^2$ vs. Q^2 , fixed W

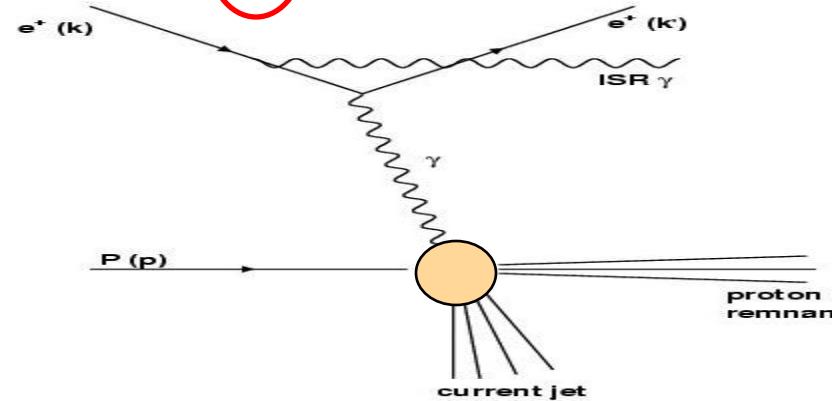
- **low Q^2 REGGE fit** ($Q^2_{\text{max}} = 0.65 \text{ GeV}^2$)
- **high Q^2 NLO QCD fit** ($Q^2_{\text{min}} = 2.5 \text{ GeV}^2$)
- low Q^2 : $F_2 \sim Q^2$
- **Transition region**: few shifted vertex data with large errors.



ZEUS: Initial State Radiation



$$Q^2 \approx 2 E_e E_{e'} (1 + \cos(\theta_{e'}))$$



ISR γ : reduction of E_e : lower Q^2 .

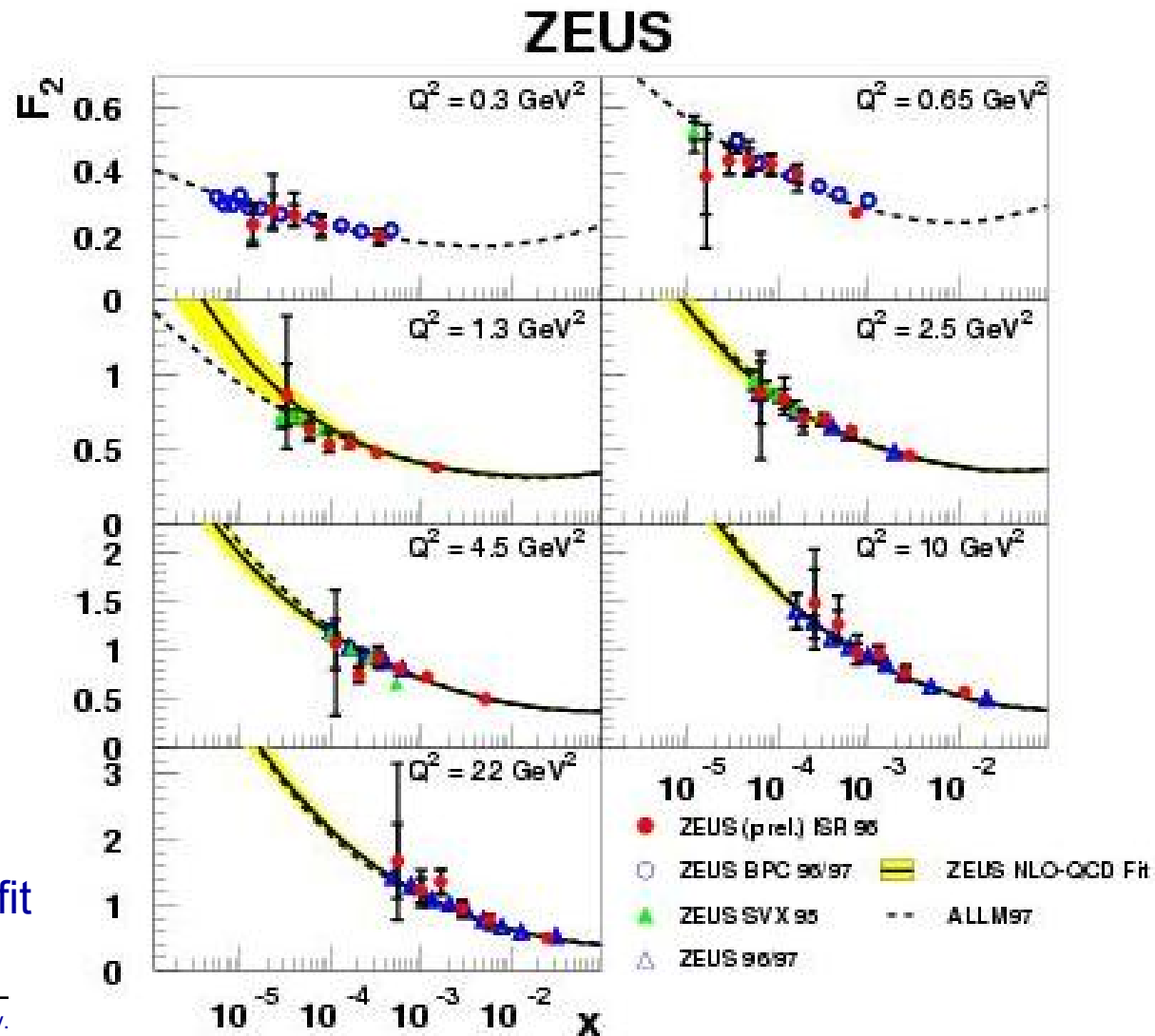
- e' identified in main detector. ISR γ in the luminosity monitor

- 96: 3.9 pb⁻¹ complete kinem. region:

- $0.3 < Q^2 < 22 \text{ GeV}^2$

- $8 \cdot 10^{-6} < x < 1.8 \cdot 10^{-1}$

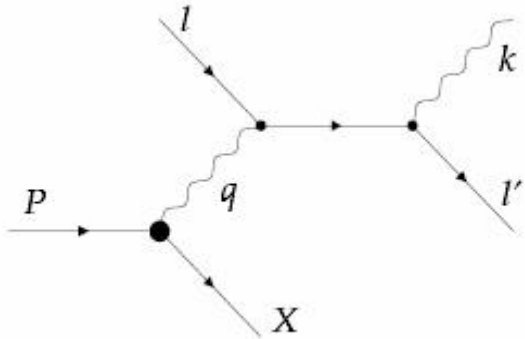
- Agreement with previous measurements and ZEUS NLO-QCD fit



H1: F2 from QEDCompton analysis



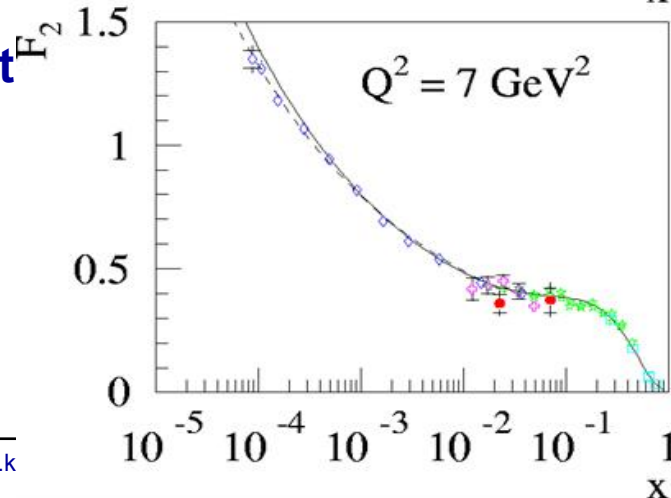
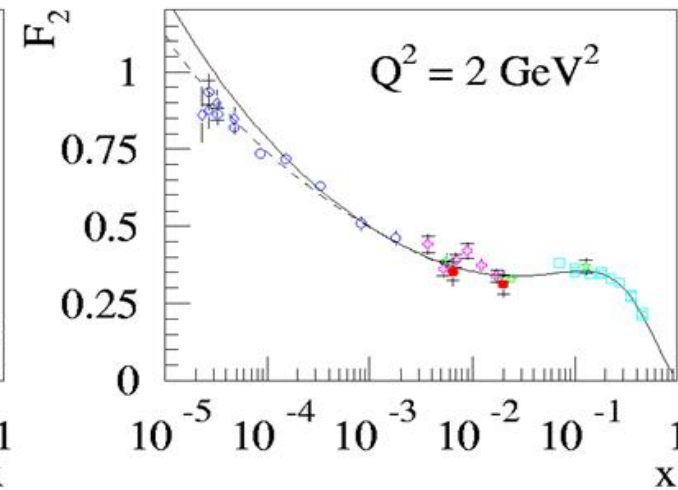
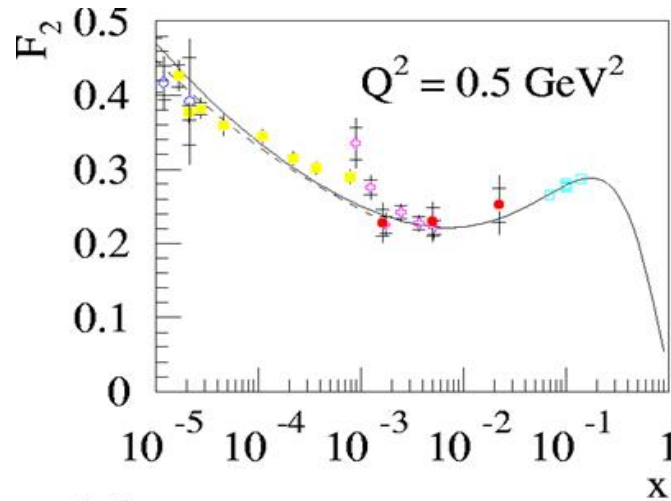
QEDC: $q^2 \sim 0$, Compton scattering of a quasi-real photon off an electron:



Tag electron and photon. Reconstruct kinematics from hadrons.

F_2 at large x – good agreement with fixed target experiments.

Complementary to standard inclusive DIS measurement



- H1 QEDC 97 prel
- H1 SV 00 prel
- ◇ H1 99 prel
- ZEUS BPT
- ⊕ E665
- ★ NMC
- SLAC
- ALLM97
- Fractal

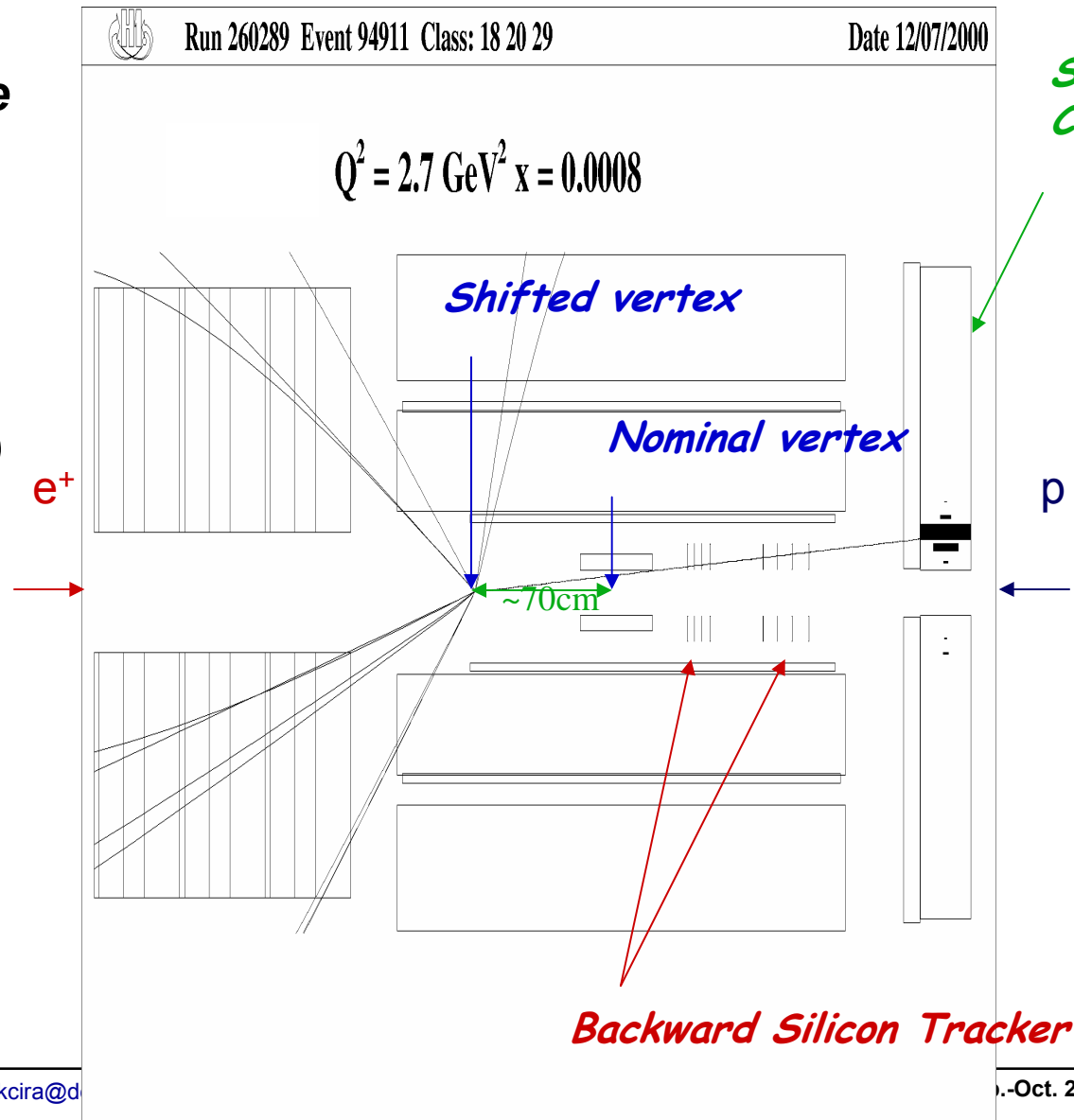
H1: Shifted Vertex Measurement



- **Shifting vertex by 70cm allows access to lower angle electrons, hence to lower Q^2**

- **Precise reconstruction of the scattered positron: ($\Delta\theta = 0.3$ mrad, $\Delta E_{e'} = 0.3\%$)**

- **Measure very low positron energy ($\sim 3\text{GeV}$) \rightarrow high- y**



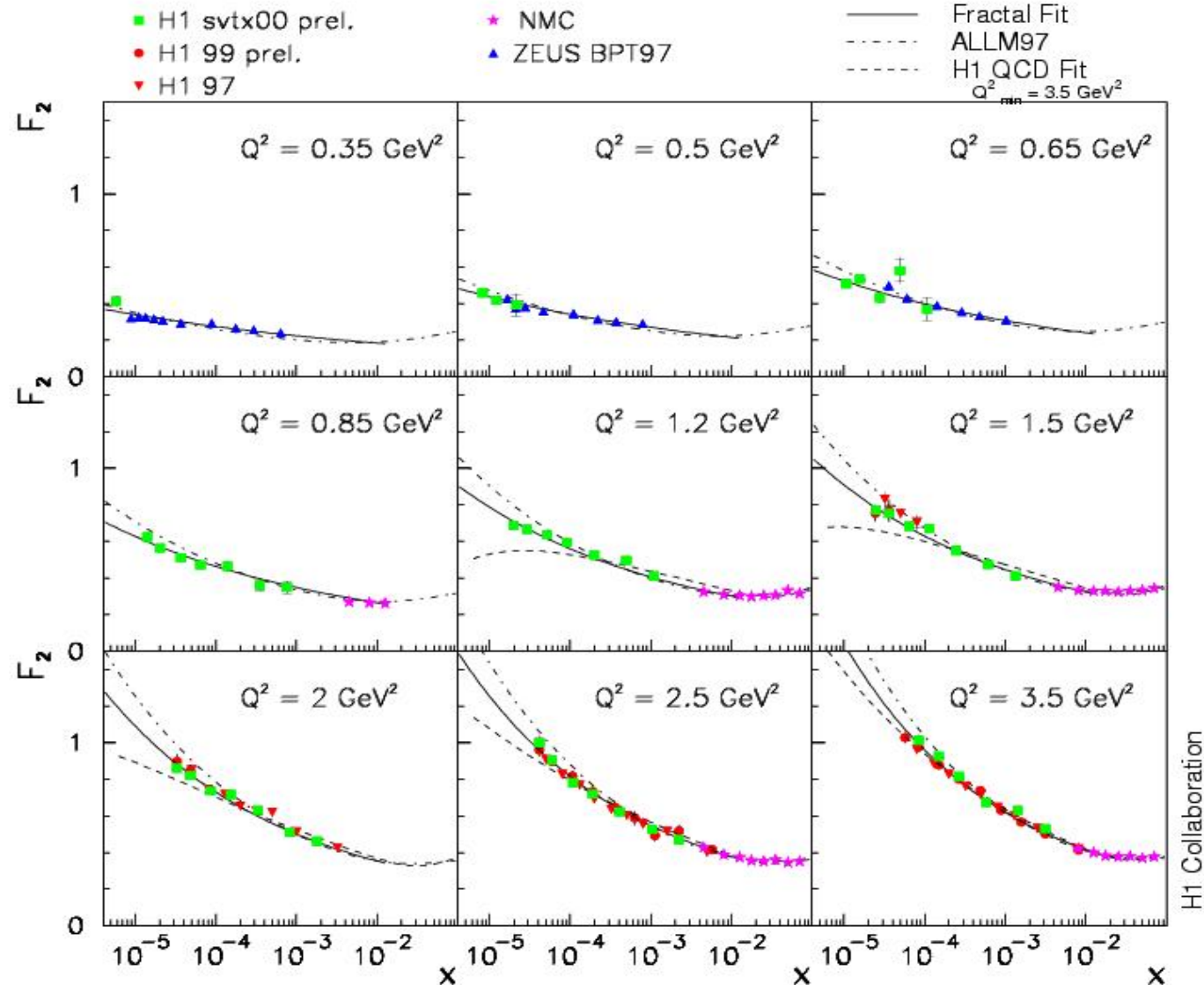
H1: Shifted Vertex Measurement



2000 measurement with 0.6pb^{-1} in special shifted-vertex run

Factor of 4 increase in statistics w.r.t. 95 shifted vertex run

Rise at low x observed also at lower Q^2 but rate is smaller with decreasing Q^2



H1 Collaboration

H1: Shifted Vertex Measurement

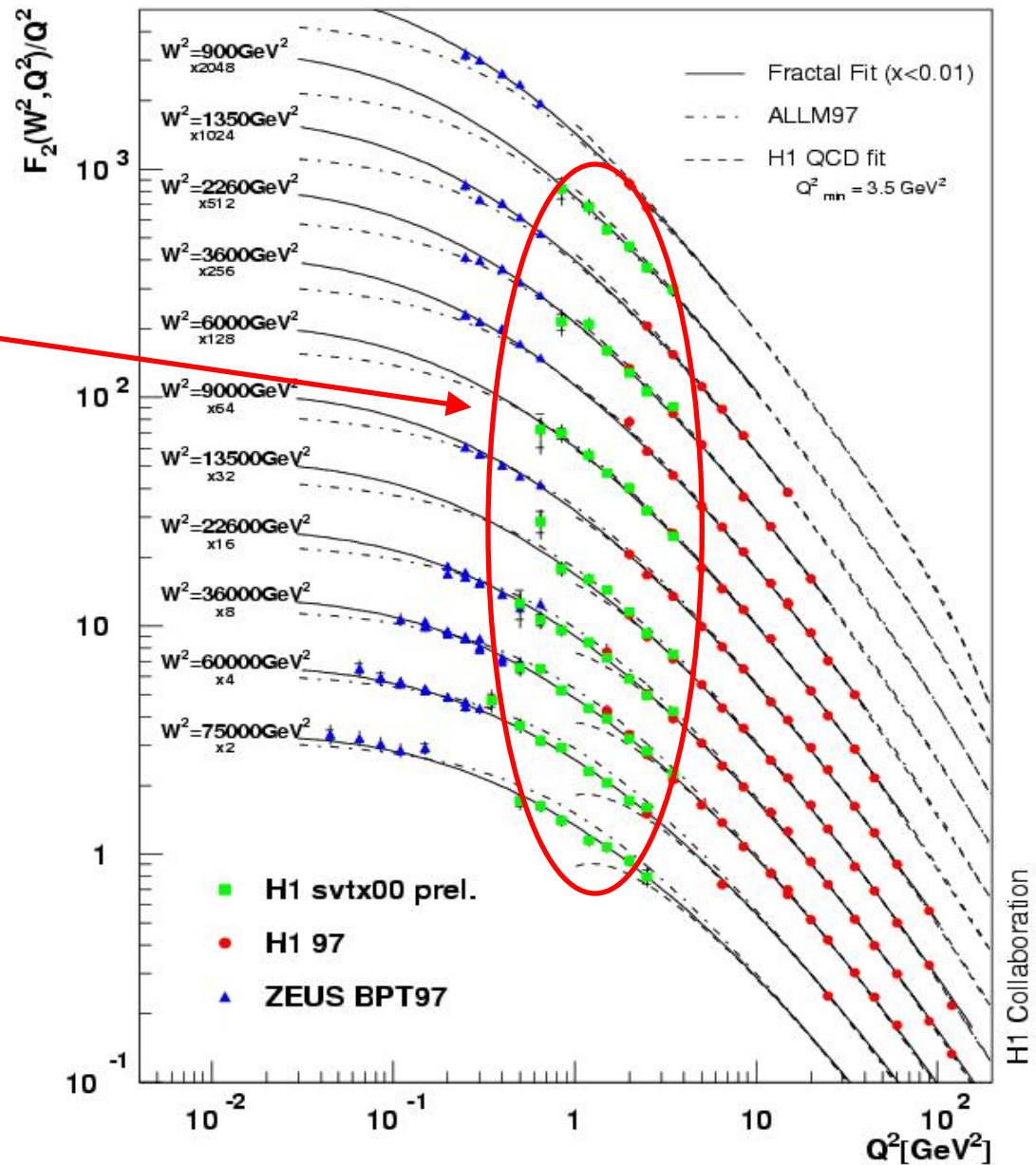


Phi p cross section in the limit $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$.

New precise data cover transition region.

Phenomenological parameterisation based on fractal dimension concept.

Fit describes data.



Rise of F_2 towards low x



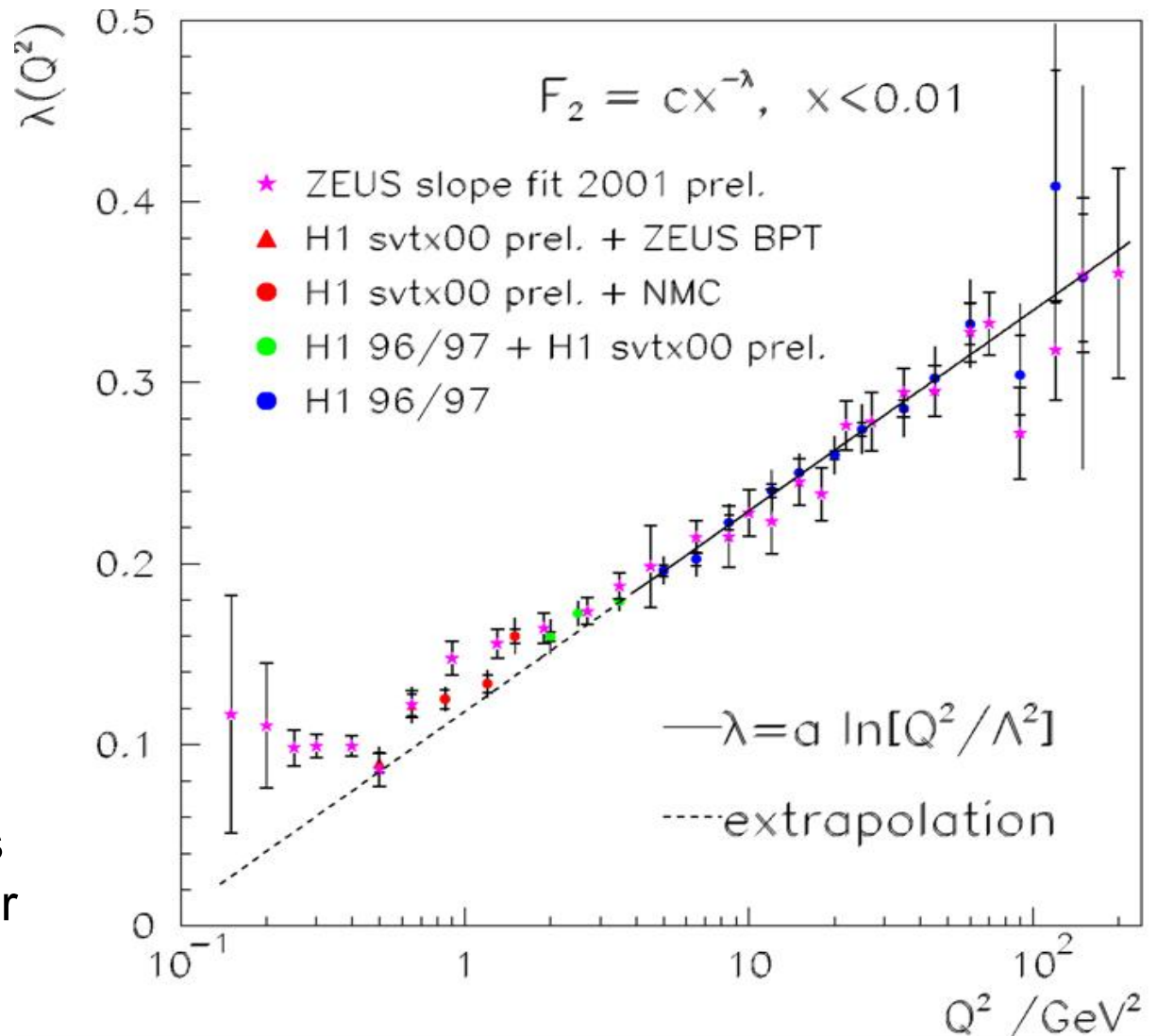
- H1 / ZEUS / NMC data used to fit Q^2 dependence for $x < 0.01$:

$$F_2 = C(Q^2) x^{-\lambda(Q^2)}$$

- $\lambda(Q^2) \sim \ln[Q^2/\Lambda^2]$ and $C(Q^2) \sim \text{const.}$ for $Q^2 > 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

- Behaviour is changing at around $Q^2 \sim 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

- From soft hadronic interactions it is expected that $\lambda \rightarrow \sim 0.08$ for $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$



Summary inclusive



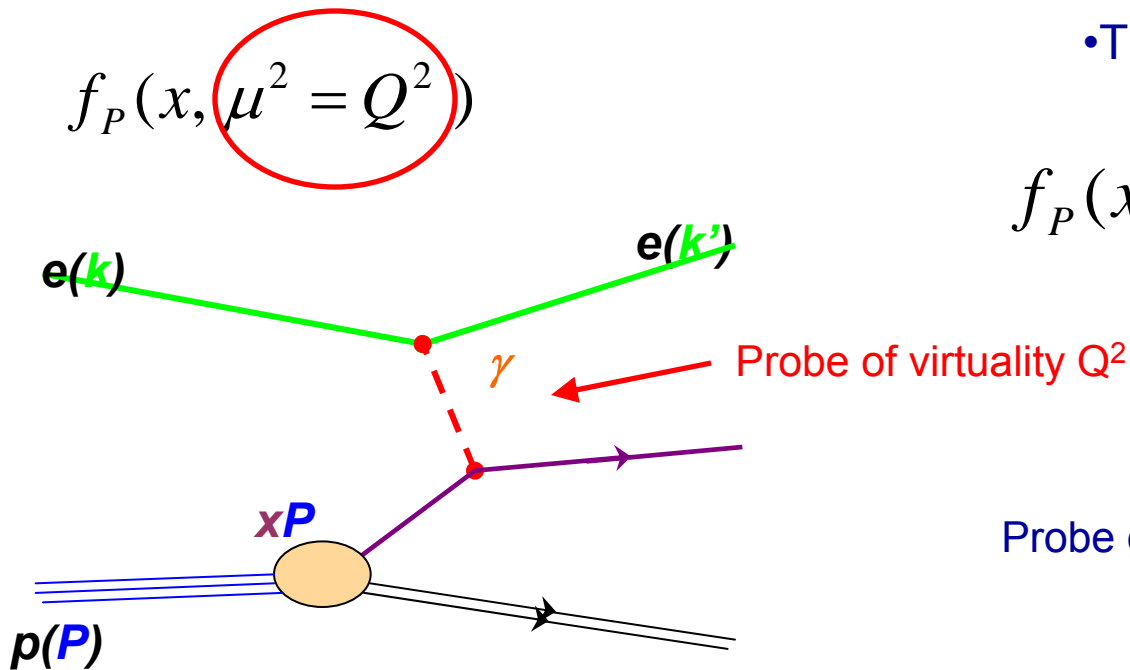
- **New precision data provide full coverage of important transition region of $Q^2 \sim 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ between the perturbative and non-perturbative domains.**
- **The dependence of F_2 on Q^2 is stronger at lower Q^2 values approaching a region of linear dependence. Data show smooth transition between the two regions.**
- **The rise of F_2 at low x persists at low Q^2 but it is slower than observed at HERA at higher Q^2 .**

Two alternative ways of studying the transition region



Inclusive sample

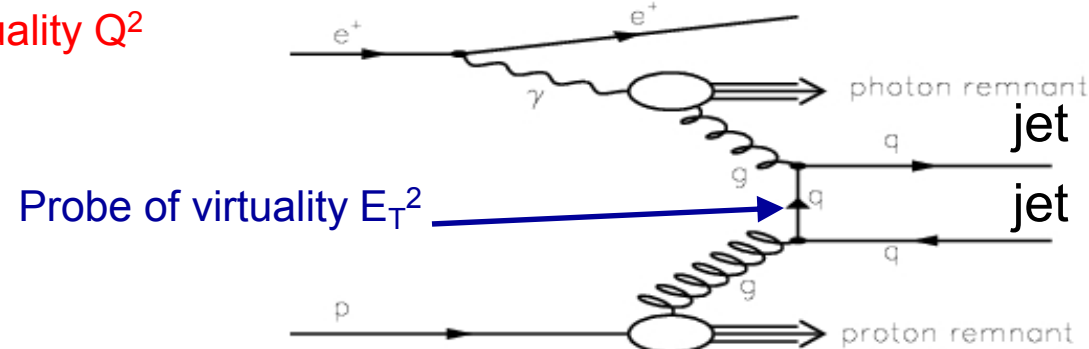
- Probe proton structure with photon of virtuality Q^2 .
- Transition from perturbative (DIS) to non-perturbative (PHP) regimes.



Subsample of dijet-events

- E_T of jets provides hard scale – pQCD applicable in the transition region.
- Probe of virtuality E_T^2 . Proton structure contained at these scales. Sensitivity to photon structure.
- Transition from real to virtual photons.

$$f_P(x, \mu^2 = E_T^2) \times f_\gamma(x_\gamma, \mu^2 = E_T^2, Q^2)$$



Dijet Production at HERA

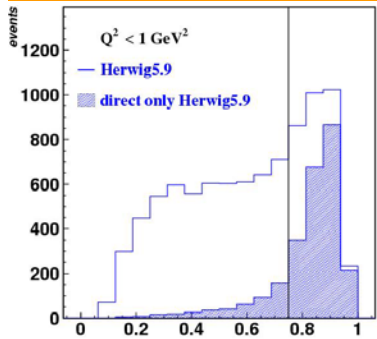


Photoproduction

Real photons

$$x_{\gamma}^{(obs)} = \frac{\sum_{jet1,2} (E^{jet} - p_z^{jet})}{\sum_{hadrons} (E - p_z)}$$

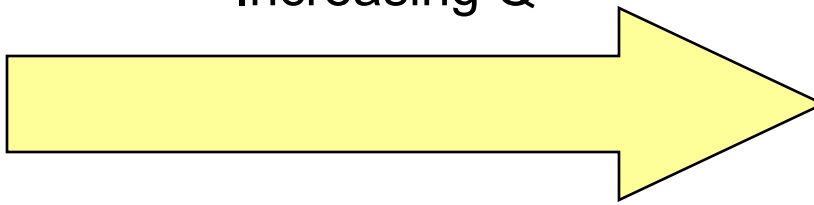
Note: No F_2^{γ} at HERA but sensitivity to γ^ structure at high scales.*



Transition

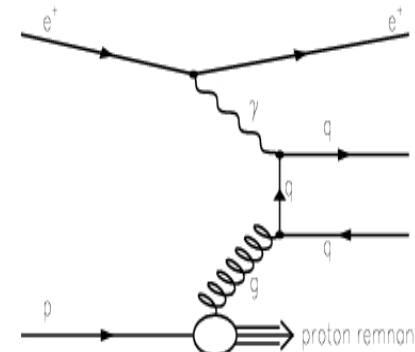
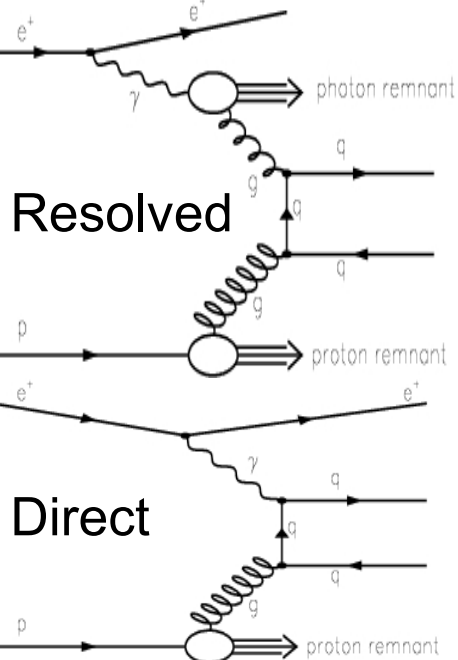
Understand how photon structure is suppressed
Test different approaches using HERA data

Increasing Q^2



DIS

Pointlike virtual photons





$\gamma^* P-c.m.f.$

$2 < Q^2 < 80 \text{ GeV}^2$ H1: dijet cross sections

$0.1 < y < 0.85$

$E_T^{jet1,2} > 5 \text{ GeV}$

$\overline{E_T} > 6 \text{ GeV}$

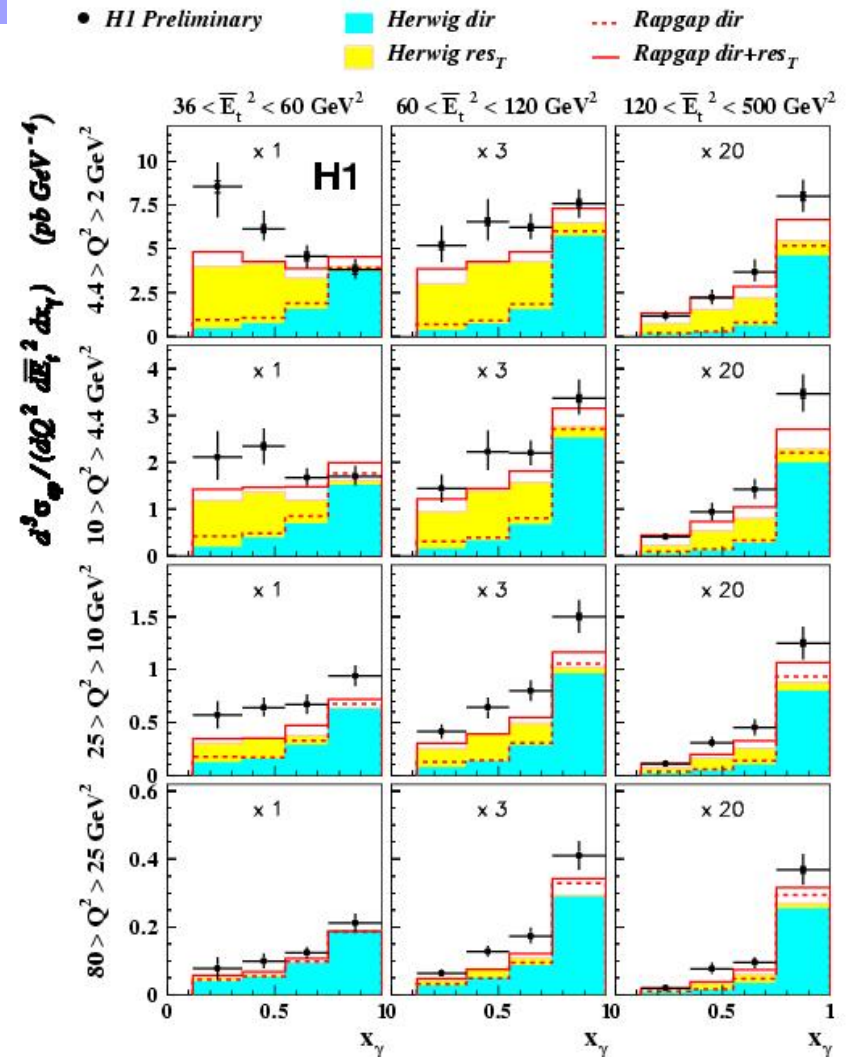
$-2.5 < \eta^{jet1,2} < 0$

Compare to LO MCs Herwig (cluster hadronization) and Rapgap (Lund hadronization) + parametr. of γ^* PDFs.

Interplay of scales:

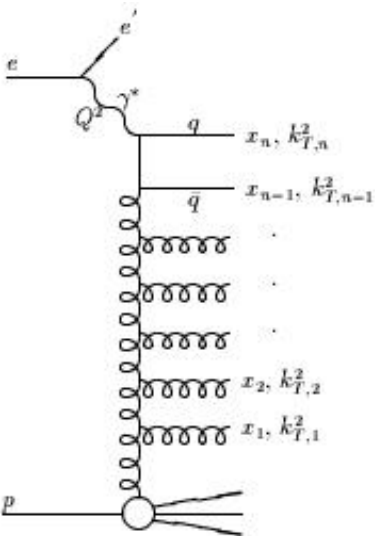
- Resolved significant at low Q^2 or higher E_T^2
- Direct photon contribution almost describes data at higher Q^2 (lower E_T^2).

LO-MC predictions underestimate data (both Herwig and Rapgap)



$$d^3 \sigma_{ep} / (dQ^2 d\overline{E_T}^2 dx_\gamma)$$

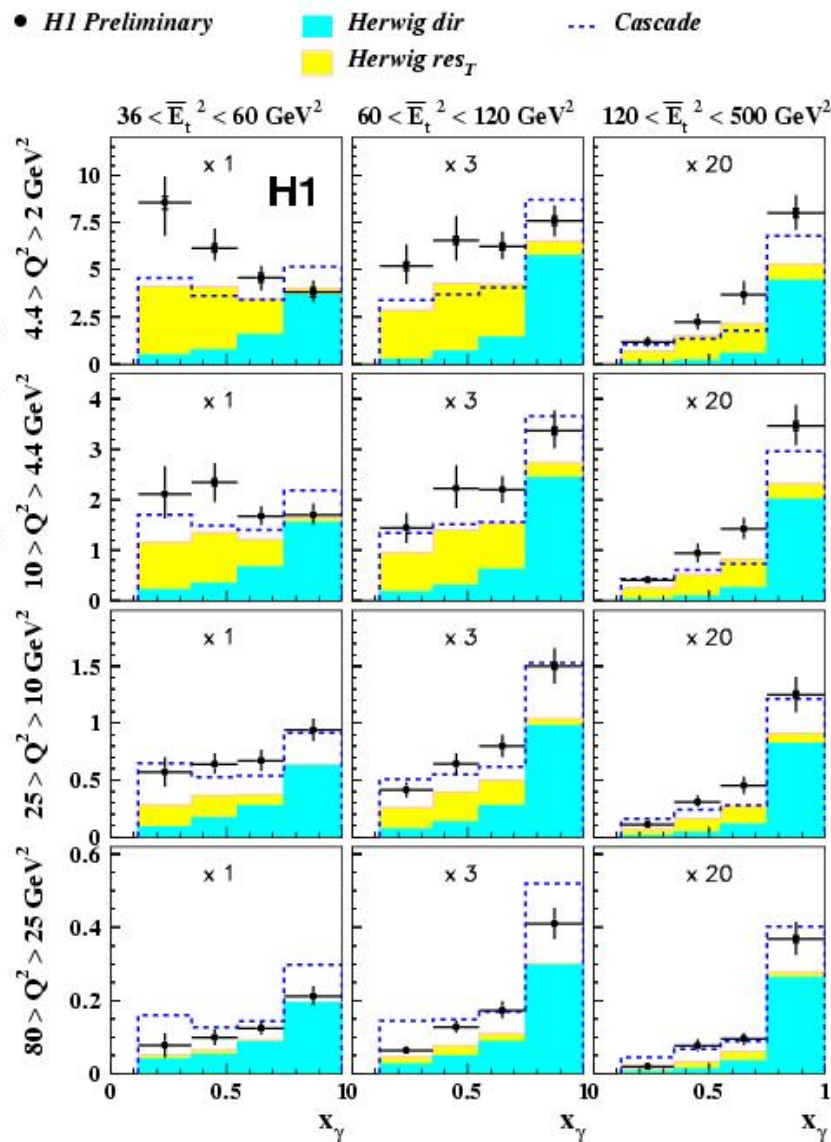
H1: CCFM (Cascade)



CCFM

- k_T unordered parton evolution
- no concept of photon structure

Better description than DGLAP LO direct but not perfect.



ZEUS: 2jets from PHP to DIS



$\gamma^* P - c.m.f$

$$0 < Q^2 < 2000 \text{GeV}^2$$

$$0.2 < y < 0.55$$

$$E_T^{jet1,2} > 7.5, 6.5 \text{GeV}$$

$$-3.0 < \eta^{jet} < 0$$

Measure:

$$d\sigma / dQ^2$$

$$d^2\sigma / dQ^2 dE_T^{jet1}$$

$$d^2\sigma / dQ^2 d\eta^F$$

$$R = \sigma(x_\gamma^{obs} < 0.75) / \sigma(x_\gamma^{obs} > 0.75)$$

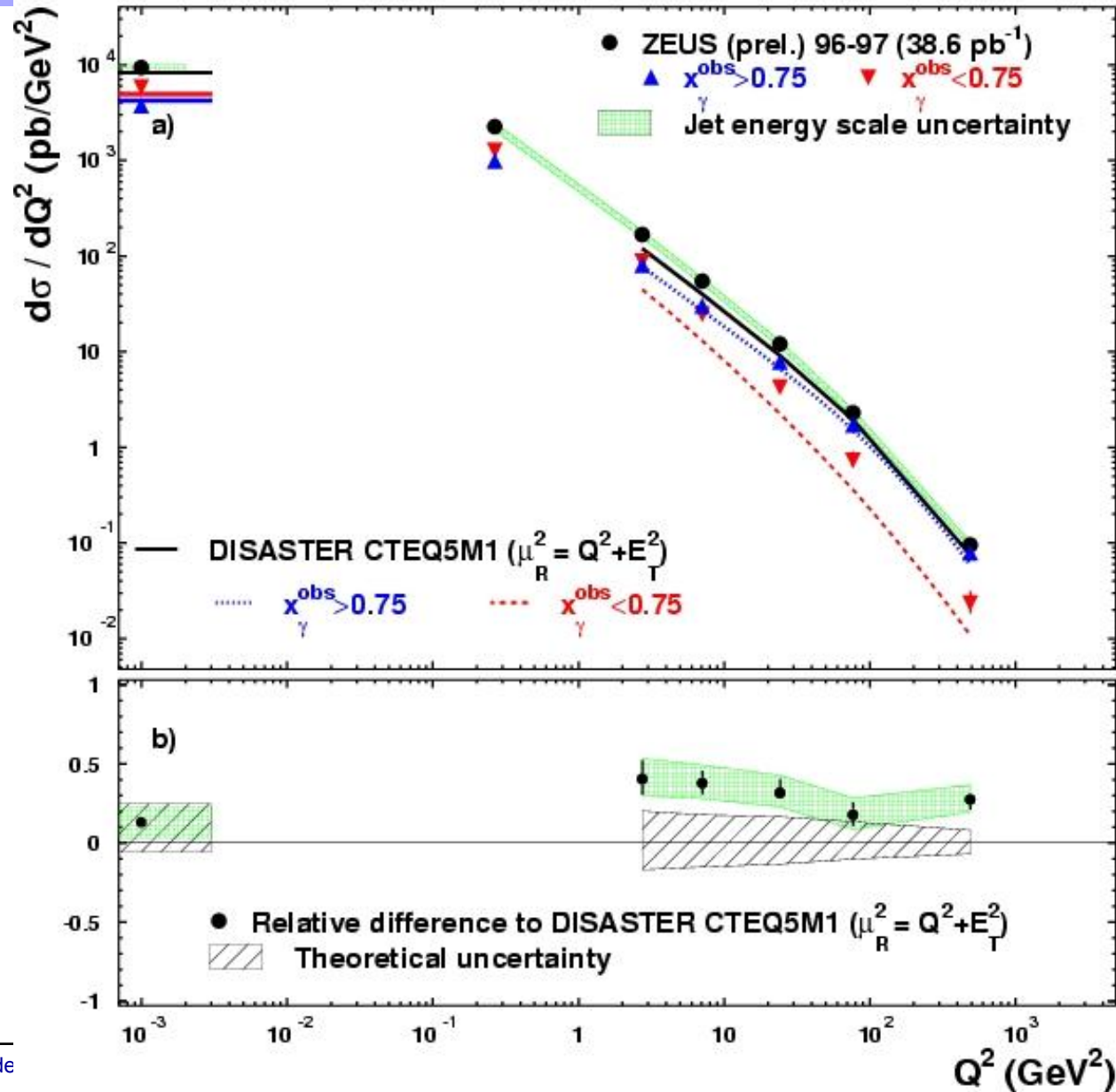
Compare results to LO and NLO predictions:

- Herwig MC with real photon GRV and SaS1D parametrization of γ^* PDFs
- Frixione-Rindolfi-NLO for PHP: real photon PDFs GRV / AFG
- Disaster++ for DIS: highly virtual pointlike photon

ZEUS 2jets comparison to NLO



- Precise data from PHP to DIS including transition region
- Data and NLOs split in low and high x_{γ}^{obs} components
- Disaster scale: $\mu_R^2 = Q^2 + E_T^2$
- Low x_{γ}^{obs} dominant in PHP - still non-negligible up to order of 100GeV^2
- PHP: NLO describes data
- DIS: Shape of data described. NLO underestimates cross section
- High x_{γ}^{obs} component is better described from NLO than low one



ZEUS 2jets comparison to NLO

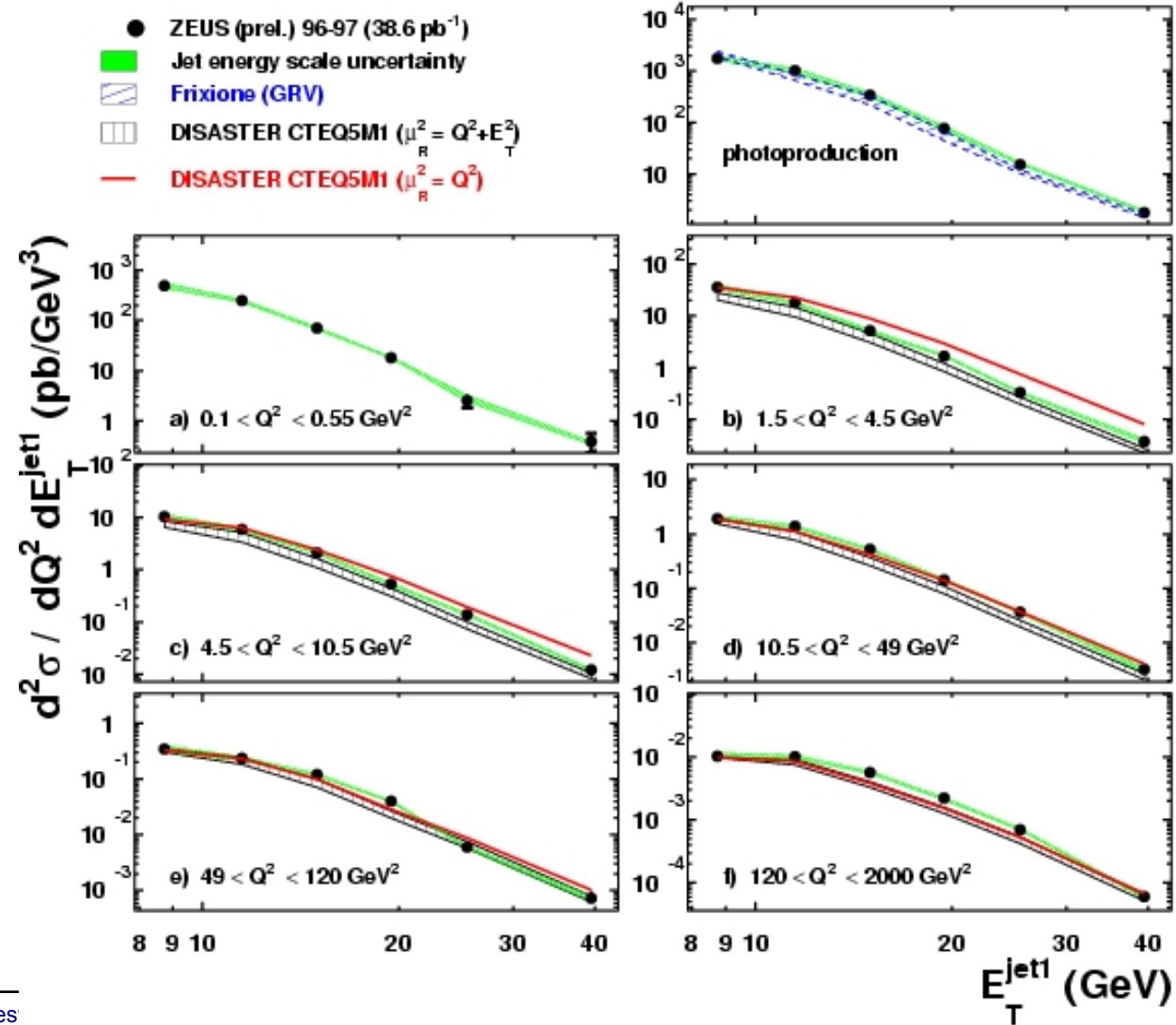


The cross section falls less steeply as the Q^2 increases

PHP: DIS describes data within r.s.uncertainty

DIS: scale $Q^2 + E_T^2$ does better in the description of the data than scale Q^2

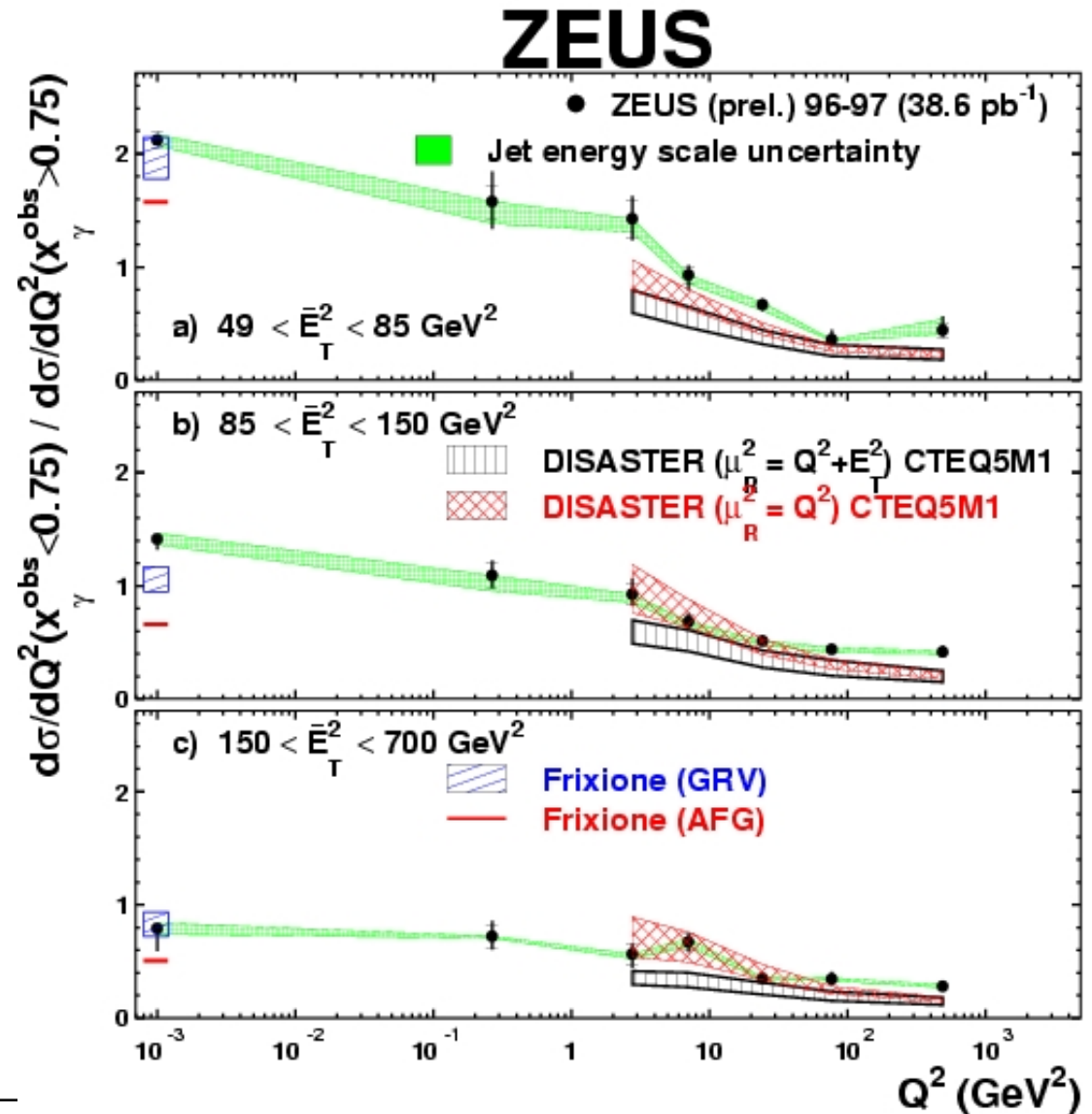
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ZEUS ratio of xsecs: NLO



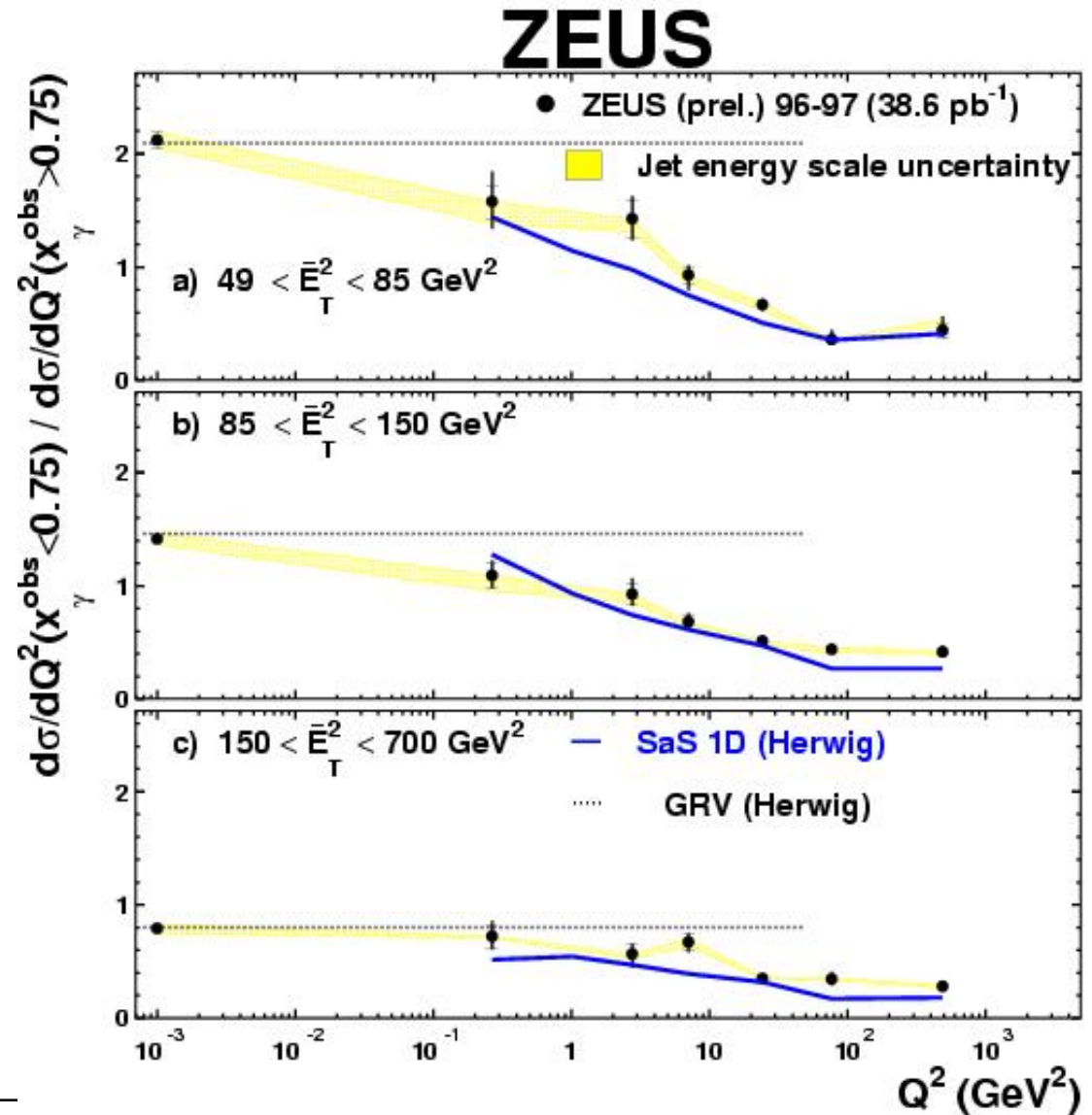
- R sensitive to res. photon structure suppression and cancellation of uncertainties
- Data fall with increasing photon virtuality. Steeper fall at lower E_T^2
- Ratio compared to NLO
- PHP: Frixione+GRV closer to measured ratio than Frixione+AFG
- DIS: Disaster scale $Q^2 + E_T^2$ describes shape of fall of ratio but not enough low x_γ^{obs} in proportion to high x_γ^{obs} .



ZEUS ratio LO



- Herwig+GRV-LO describes PHP ratio
- Herwig+SaS1D seems to describe the shape of the data and slightly underestimate ratio
- Consistent picture across transition region



Summary Dijet measurements



- **Precise dijet measurements in PHP/DIS and across transition region. Measurements can significantly constrain PDFs of virtual photon.**
- **Different concepts tested in the low Q^2 region.**
- **LO consistent picture of transition from PHP to DIS with suppression of virtual photon structure.**
- **NLO calculations show large uncertainties and fail to describe transition region. High x_γ^{obs} component better described.**

Conclusions



- **Precise inclusive inclusive and dijet measurements cover the transition region from low to high photon virtualities.**
- **Rise of F_2 at low x persists but is slower at low Q^2**
- **Dijet measurements can significantly constrain PDFs of virtual photon.**
- **No consistent QCD picture yet for the transition region.**