

F₂^{D(3)} measurements at Low, Medium and High Q²

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Diffractive DIS at HERA

Large rapidity gap between leading proton p' and X



Momentum fraction of proton carried by colour singlet exchange: Momentum fraction of color singlet carried by struck quark:



Diffractive Reduced Cross Section

$$\frac{d^4\sigma}{d\beta dQ^2 dx_{IP} dt} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{\beta Q^4} (1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2})\sigma_r^{D(4)}(\beta, Q^2, x_{IP}, t)$$
Relation to F_2^D and F_L^D :
$$\sigma_r^{D(4)} = F_2^{D(4)} - \frac{y^2}{2(1 - y + y^2/2)}F_L^{D(4)}$$

$$\sigma_r^D \approx F_2^D \text{ at low y} \qquad \sigma_r^D = F_2^D \text{ if } F_L^D = 0$$

Integrate over *t* when proton is not tagged $\rightarrow \sigma_r^{D(3)}$

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Factorization in Diffractive DIS

QCD hard scattering factorization:

$$\sigma^{D}(\gamma^{*}p \to Xp) = \sum_{parton_{i}} f_{i}^{D}(x,Q^{2},x_{IP},t) \cdot \sigma^{\gamma^{*}i}(x,Q^{2})$$

 $σ^{γ^{*i}}$ - universal hard scattering cross section (same as in inclusive DIS) f_i^D - diffractive parton distribution function → obey DGLAP, universal for diffractive *ep* DIS (inclusive, di-jets, charm)

Additional assumption → Regge factorization:

$$f_i^D(x,Q^2,x_{IP},t) = f_{IP/p}(x_{IP},t) \cdot f_i^{IP}(\beta = x/x_{IP},Q^2)$$

 $f_{IP/p}$ - pomeron flux factor

 f_i^{IP} - pomeron parton distribution function

FPS proton vs Rapidity Gap



Rapidity gap selection:

σ^{D(3)} defined in the kinematical range:

 M_{Y} <1.6 GeV and |t|<1 GeV²

FPS proton selection:

 $\sigma_r^{D(4)}$ integrated over measured t range

➔Good agreement between two methods

Overview of σ_r^{D} measurements



- Data at Low Q^2 , $\mathscr{L} = 3.4 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

Good agreement between measurements Data well described by QCD fit

Data at Medium Q², \mathscr{L} = 10.6 pb⁻¹

Data at High Q^2 , $\mathscr{L} = 65 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

Measurement at Low Q², Test of Regge Factorization



Fit x_{IP} dependence at fixed β , Q:

$$\sigma_r^{D(3)}(x_{IP},\beta,Q^2) = \sum_{IP,IR} f_i(x_{IP}) \cdot A_i(\beta,Q^2)$$

Regge Flux factor for *IP* and *IR*:

$$f_{IP}(x_{IP}) = \int_{t_{cut}}^{t_{min}} \frac{e^{B_{IP}t}}{x_{IP}^{2\alpha_{IP}-1}} dt$$

Data well described by exchange of *IP* and *IR*:

 $\alpha_{IP} = 1.110 \pm 0.020 (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.024 (\text{syst.})^{+0.068}_{-0.033} (\text{model})$



Effective $\alpha_{IP}(0)$ vs Q²



Diffractive cross section: $x_{IP}F_2^D \sim A(\beta, Q^2) x_{IP}^{2-2\alpha(t)}$

Inclusive cross section: $F_2 \sim B x^{1-\alpha(Q^2)}$

Effective $\alpha_{IP}(0)$:

- Iower than for inclusive cross section
- → consistent with soft IP at low Q²
- data suggest increase with Q² but consistent within the errors
- → uncertainty due to ignorance of F^D



Parameters of QCD Fit

- Singlet quark and gluon parameterised at Q₀²=3GeV² by Chebychev polynomials, massive charm treatment via BGF
- Assume Regge factorization for x_{IP} dependence, α_{IP}(0) extracted from data, GRV-π sub-leading contribution at high x_{IP}
- □ NLO DGLAP evolution, fit Medium Q² data (Q²>6.5 GeV²)
- Full propagation of correlated experimental systematic and theoretical uncertainties





Q^2 dependence of $\sigma_r{}^D$



At fixed x_{IP} and β :

Large positive scaling violations except at high β

- →Gluon dominated
- **Compare different** x_{IP} bins:
- scaling violations are similar
- Consistent with Regge factorization





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Quantify Scaling violations at fixed x _{IP} and β:

 $\sigma_r^{D} = A + B \ln Q^2$

 $B = d \sigma_r^D / d \ln Q^2$

Large positive Scaling violations up to β~0.6



Comparison with inclusive DIS



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Diffractive PDF's:

- ^{²¹} ✓ PDF extend to large fractional momentum z
 - Precise measurement of quark singlet distribution
 - Gluon distribution dominated
 - Large gluon uncertainty at high z
 - → Can be applied to test QCD factorization in *ep* final states (charm, di-jets) and hadron-hadron scattering



Gluon momentum fraction and F_{I}



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Momentum fraction of diffractive exchange carried by gluons → 75 ± 15 %



Measurement at High Q² vs Prediction of QCD Fit



 Improved statistics and kinematical range of new measurement compared to previous measurement
 good agreement

- Prediction of QCD Fit based on Medium Q² data
 - good agreement
- ¹⁶⁰⁰ Sub-leading trajectory needed at high x_{IP} and low β



Extrapolation of QCD Fit: β dependence



Prediction of NLO Fit based on Medium Q² data

good agreement with Low and High

Q² data

Low and High Q² data will provide additional constraints on singlet and gluon distributions

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Extrapolation of QCD Fit: Q² dependence





Extrapolation of NLO Fit over an order of magnitude in Q²

good agreement with Low and High

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Low and Medium Q² data vs Colour dipole saturation model

- Photon fluctuates in qq/qqg long before interaction with proton
- Parameterization for dipoleproton cross section:
- color transparency for small dipole sizes
- cross section saturation at low x / Q²
- Model consistently undershoots the data



Medium and High Q² data vs SCI model







Summary

- High precision measurements of the diffractive reduced cross section have been performed at Low, Medium and High Q²
- Data are consistent with Regge factorization assuming additional contribution from sub-leading trajectory
- \Box Similar Q² dynamics to inclusive DIS at medium β
- □ NLO DGLAP fit to Medium Q² data:
- diffractive parton distributions (quark singlet and gluon)
- ✓ gluon distribution dominates (75±15%)
- ✓ can be used to test QCD factorization in *ep* and *hh* interactions
- High and low Q² measurements are in agreement with QCD Fit predictions
- Color Dipole Saturation model undershoots Low and Medium Q² data
- Soft Color Interaction model describes Medium and High Q² data except at low β