# **Open Charm production in DIS at HERA**



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# **ZEUS** detector

- HERA is the storage ring which provides collisions between 920 GeV protons and 27.5 GeV electrons or positrons;  $\sqrt{s} \approx 318$  GeV.
- ZEUS is multi-purpose detector with main componets: MVD microvertex detector, CTD - central tracking detector, FDT,RTD - forward and rear tracking detector, FCAL,BCAL, RCAL - forward, barrel and rear calorimeter, FMUO,BMUO,RMUO forward, barrel and rear muon detector.



#### **Charm Production at HERA**

Charm quarks are produced copiously in  $e^{\pm}p$  collisions at HERA and have been studied using  $D^{*\pm}$  mesons.

The  $(x,Q^2)$  kinematic plan shows the regions reachable for ZEUS:

- 1. DIS  $(1.5 < Q^2 < 1000 \text{ GeV}^2)$  region available with ZEUS Uranium Calorimeter (UCAL).
- 2. PHP  $(\mathbf{Q}^2\approx \mathbf{0}~\mathbf{GeV}^2)$
- 3. Transition region between PHP and DIS  $(0.05 < Q^2 < 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2)$ (BPC-9800) can be reached with the Beam Pipe Calorimeter – detector covers small area near beam pipe, not reachable by UCAL.



# $D^*$ in DIS $(1.5 < Q^2 < 1000 \text{ GeV}^2)$



- Recently published HERA-I 98-00 data with 65  $pb^{-1} e^+p$  and 17  $pb^{-1} e^-p$
- The result is consistent with calculation in QCD
- Also, it was observed that  $\sigma(e^-p) > \sigma(e^+p)$ for high  $Q^2$  range.
- It was not expected and so the phenomenon was treated as a statistical fluctuation.
- We now have access to more HERA II data : 40 pb<sup>-1</sup> e<sup>+</sup>p and 33 pb<sup>-1</sup> e<sup>-</sup>p to investigate this difference.

#### **DIS** event selection in HERA-II



#### Kinematic variables:

•  $Q_e^2 = 2E_e' E_e (1 + \cos \Theta_e)$ 

• 
$$y_e = \frac{E_e'}{E_e} (1 - \cos \Theta_e)$$

•  $\delta = \sum_i E_i (1 - \cos \Theta_i)$ 

 $\mathbf{D}^*$  candidates:

- $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi_s^+$  with  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$
- $\mathbf{p_T}(\pi_s) > 0.12 \ \mathrm{GeV}$
- $\mathbf{p_T}(\mathbf{K}, \pi) > \mathbf{0.4} \ \mathbf{GeV}$
- $40 < \delta < 60 \text{ GeV}$

#### **Kinematic Region:**

- $\bullet~5 < Q^2 < 1000~GeV^2$
- $\bullet \ 0.02 < y < 0.7$
- $\bullet \ |\eta(\mathbf{D}^*)| < \mathbf{1.5}$
- $\bullet~1.5 < p_T(D^*) < 15~GeV$

#### D\* Signal in 2003-2005 data



- $\Delta M = M_{D^*} M_{D^0} = M_{K\pi\pi} M_{K\pi}$
- $\bullet$  Background subtraction in window:  $0.143 < \Delta M < 0.148~GeV$   $1.8 < M_{D^0} < 1.92~GeV$
- gives  $1237.7 \pm 64.2 \ D^*$  for  $e^+p$  data

• 
$$rate = N_{D^*}/\mathcal{L}$$

- $e^+p$  rate =  $30.7 \pm 1.8 \ /pb^{-1}$
- and for  $e^-p$  data:
- $1117.8 \pm 60.4 D^*$
- $e^-p$  rate = 33.5 ± 1.8 /  $pb^{-1}$
- Rates are consistent

#### **DIS D\*** cross section ratio



Results suggest very strongly that observed  $e^+p/e^-p$  excess in HERA I at high Q2 was a statistical fluctuation.

## **Charm in Photoproduction**



- ZEUS-9800 data,  $\mathcal{L} = 78.7 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi_s^+$  with  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$
- Kinematic region:
  - $-130 < W < 285 \ GeV^2$
  - $\ Q^2 < 1 \ GeV^2$

$$-\left|\eta(\mathbf{D}^*)\right|<\mathbf{1.6}$$

$$-1.9 < p_T(D^*) < 20 ~GeV$$

- inelasticity:  $\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{D}^{*\pm}) = \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{D}^{*\pm}) / \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{q}$
- The NLO calculation generally good describes the data.
- However, the central NLO predictions systematically underestimate the data

## Charm Production in transition $PHP \rightarrow DIS$ region

- Charm production occurs via direct and resolved processes.
- Charm in DIS  $(Q^2 > 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2)$  dominated by Boson Gluon Fusion (direct)
- Significant resolved contribution to charm photoproduction ( $Q^2 \approx 0 \text{ GeV}^2$ )
- It is interesting to investigate the low  $Q^2$  transition region between PHP and DIS.
- $\bullet$  Does NLO QCD model still describe the data ?

#### **Beam Pipe Calorimeter in ZEUS**

- Beam Pipe Calorimeter (BPC) the detector for low- $Q^2$  physics.
- $\bullet$  BPC covers the range 0.045  $\rm GeV^2 < Q^2 < 0.7~GeV^2$
- Energy resolution  $\frac{\Delta E}{E} = \frac{17\%}{\sqrt{E}}$
- $\bullet$  Spatial resolution  $\sim 1~\mathrm{mm}$



#### **Event Selection**

- Data from 98-00  $(\mathcal{L} \approx 82 \mathrm{pb}^{-1})$
- BPC cuts:
  - $\begin{array}{l} \triangleright \ 0.05 < y < 0.85 \\ \\ \triangleright \ 0.05 < Q^2 < 0.7 \ GeV^2 \\ \\ \\ \triangleright \ 35 < E p_z < 65 \ GeV \end{array}$

•  $D^*$  cuts:

- ▷  $\mathbf{p_T}(\mathbf{D}^*) > 1.5 \text{ GeV}$ ▷  $|\eta(\mathbf{D}^*)| < 1.5$ ▷  $\mathbf{p_T}(\pi_s) > 0.12 \text{ GeV}$ ▷  $\mathbf{p_T}(\mathbf{K}, \pi) > 0.45 \text{ GeV}$
- Clear  $D^*$  signal observed
- Unbinned maximun likelihood fit used for number of D\*
- Fit to  $\Delta M$  signal gives  $253 \pm 22 D^*$



#### **Total Cross Section**

- Total Number of  $D^* = \mathbf{253} \pm \mathbf{22}$
- Luminosity =  $82.2 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- Kinematic range:
  - $\triangleright \mathbf{p_t}(\mathbf{D}^*) > 1.5 \ \mathbf{GeV}$
  - $arphi \ |\eta(\mathbf{D}^*)| < \mathbf{1.5}$
  - $\triangleright \ 0.05 < y < 0.85$
  - $\triangleright ~0.05 < Q^2 < 0.7~GeV^2$
- HERWIG and RAPGAP used for acceptance calculation

Measured cross section:

 $\sigma = 10.1 \pm 1.0 \quad \frac{\pm 1.1}{-0.8} \text{ nb}$ 

HVQDIS cross section:

$$\sigma = 8.6 \quad \frac{+1.9}{-1.8} \text{ nb}$$

- HVQDIS is NLO pQCD calculation used for comparison with data:
  - $\triangleright$  ZEUS NLO pdf used with:  $M_c = 1.35~GeV$
  - $\triangleright$  Renormalization and factorization scale:  $\mu^2 = ({\bf Q}^2 + 4 {\bf M}_{\bf c}^2)$
  - $\triangleright$  Peterson fragmentation parameter:  $\epsilon = 0.035$
- also varying 3 parameters:

▷ scale:

$$1/4(\mathbf{Q^2}+4\mathbf{M_c^2}) < \mu^2 < 4(\mathbf{Q^2}+4\mathbf{M_c^2})$$

- $\triangleright$  mass of charm quark:  $1.2~GeV < M_c < 1.5~GeV$
- ▶ fragmentation:  $0.02 < \epsilon < 0.005$

# **BPC** $D^*$ differential cross sections



## Comparison BPC D\* cross section with D\* DIS



NLO pQCD describes charm production in DIS over 4 orders of magnitude in  $Q^2$ 

#### Summary

#### • HERA-II data:

- ▷ no difference observed in D\* rate for  $e^-p$  and  $e^+p$  collisions
- Measured D\* Production in new kinematic region:
  - ▷ Measurements of charm in transition region between **DIS** and **PHP**
  - ▷ Extends previous results in DIS to lower Q<sup>2</sup>
- HVQDIS calculation produces a good description of the measured data:
  - Combined with DIS measurements, see agreement over 4 orders of magnitude in Q<sup>2</sup> between data and HVQDIS