Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering and Diffractive High *t* Photons at H1

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Introduction



- Two similar final states in different kinematic regimes
- DVCS: $ep \rightarrow e\gamma p$ at high Q^2 , low t
- High *t* photons: $ep \rightarrow e_Y Y$ at low Q^2 , high *t*

DVCS at HERA

 $ep \rightarrow e\gamma p$



- Clean experimental signature
- γ Diffractive process calculable in pQCD
 - No uncertainty from a VM wavefunction
 - Sensitive to Generalised Parton Distributions (GPDs)

 $Q^2 =$ virtuality of exchanged photon $W = \gamma^* p$ centre of mass energy t = (four-momentum transfer $)^2$ at proton vertex

QCD Predictions



- Skewednesss ξ : Emitted and absorbed partons carry different long. momentum fractions
- Need to use GPDs to describe DVCS: $GPD = f(x, \xi, t; \mu^2)$
- GPDs encode transverse distribution of partons + correlation between partons in long. and trans. planes

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QCD Predictions II: GPDs

At low x, DVCS mainly sensitive to $H^g(x,\xi,t;\mu)$ NLO leading twist calc: A. Freund, M. McDermott Eur. Phys. J. C23 (2002) 651

 $\begin{array}{l} \mathsf{DGLAP region} \left(|x| > \xi \right): \\ \mathsf{H}^{q,g}(x,\xi,t;\mu) \ t \to 0 \quad q(x), g(x) \\ & \overbrace{\mathsf{H}^{q,g}(x,\xi,t;\mu) \ \xi \to 0}^{q,g} \ \Delta q(x), \Delta g(x) \end{array}$

ERBL Region ($|x| < \xi$):

Simple analytic functions for quark singlet and gluon dists.

- Input PDFs: MRST2001 and CTEQ6 at starting scale
- *t* dependence: parametrised as $\exp(-b|t|)$
- ξ and Q² dependence: generate dynamically using evolution equations

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Colour Dipole Model

- Proton rest frame: three time-factorised subprocesses
 - γ^* fluctuates into $q\overline{q}+q\overline{q}g+...$
 - Colour dipole interacts with proton
 - $q\overline{q}$ pair annihilates into real γ
- Photon wavefunction $(\Psi_{\gamma^*}^{in}, \Psi_{\gamma}^{out})$ calculable
- σ_{dipole}:model dependent



GBW Saturation Model with DGLAP evolution (BGBK) applied to DVCS

K. Golec-Biernat, M. Wüsthoff, Phys. Rev. D 60 (1999) 114023 L. Favart, M.V.T. Machado Eur. Phys. J. C29, (2003) 365

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Bethe-Heitler Background



- Interference from Bethe-Heitler process
- Purely EM process fully calculable using elastic proton form factors
 - precise knowledge of background
 - use BH to study detector response
- Interference term vanishes when integrating over azimuthal angle \Rightarrow make subtraction

Data Selection DVCS enriched sample **BH** Control Sample e e p e p e $\mathbf{\gamma}$ R R DVCS + BH events Dominated by BH

- 39.7 pb⁻¹ 2004 Prelim. data (cf. 46.5 pb⁻¹ H1 1999-2000)
 - first HERA II DVCS measurement
- Particle in SpaCal: E₁>15 GeV
- Particle in LAr: $p_{T2} > 2 \text{ GeV}$
- (Anti-)Tracking cuts for (photon) electron
- Elastic Event: No cluster with E>0.5 GeV, fwd. det. veto

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Control Plots



H1 Prelim. 2004 L = 39.7 pb⁻¹

MC Simulation:

- MILOU for DVCS elastic + inelastic (NLO QCD cross section + radiative corrections)
- COMPTON2.2 for BH elastic + inelastic

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Cross Section Measurement

• Kinematic range: $6.5 < Q^2 < 80 \text{ GeV}^2$ 30 < W < 140 GeV $|t| < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

H1 Prelim. 2004

- Extraction of cross section:
 - bin-by-bin subtraction of background (MC expectations for elas. + inelas. BH and inelas. DVCS)
 - correct for acceptance, trigger efficiency and radiative corrections
 - photon flux factor
- Main systematic uncertainties:
 - Proton dissociation background subtraction: 8-14%
 - Acceptance correction: 2-6%
 - Electron, photon angle: 4-6%
 - Energy scale: 2-5%
- Total systematic error: ~20%

t Dependence



• Statistical error on b reduced

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Q^2 Dependence



- Combined fit to H1 99-00 and H1 04 Prel. data: $\sigma(Q^2) \propto \left(\frac{1}{Q^2}\right)^n$
- Statistical error on *n* reduced

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W Dependence



- Good agreement between H1 measurements, however ZEUS measurement higher at $W \sim 70$ GeV
- Combined fit to H1 99-00 and H1 04 Prelim. data: $\sigma(W) \propto W^{\delta}$
- $\delta=1$ indicates presence of hard scale cf. J/ $\Psi(\delta=0.75\pm0.03\pm0.03) \Rightarrow$ DVCS even harder

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Q² Dependence: NLO Predictions



- Curve width includes error on b slope -reduced due to b measurement
- *b* kept constant with Q^2
- Sensitivity to PDF inputs to GPDs
- No intrinsic skewing in calculation

• Good description by NLO QCD

W Dependence: NLO Predictions



- Sensitivity to PDF inputs to GPDs
- Predictions reflect relative sizes of singlet and gluon in input PDFs
- No intrinsic skewing in calculation

• Good description by NLO QCD

Q² Dependence: Dipole Model



Reasonable description by FM model (GBW saturation model with DGLAP evolution)

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Diffractive High t Photons

$$ep \rightarrow e\gamma Y$$



- Also clean process with no VM wavefunction uncertainty
- Access large rapidity gaps
- Photoproduction \Rightarrow only hard scale from large t
- Complementary to DVCS
- LLA BFKL calculation included in HERWIG MC generator
 - B. Cox, J. Forshaw J. Phys. G26(2000) 702

Kinematics: $t \simeq -(p_T^y)^2$ $X_{IP} = \frac{q.(P-Y)}{q.P} \simeq \frac{(E+P_z)_y}{2E_p} \simeq \frac{(p_T^y)^2}{W^2}$ $y_{IP} = \frac{P.(q-X)}{q.P} \simeq \frac{\sum_Y (E-P_z)}{2E_y} \sim e^{-\Delta \eta}$

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Data Selection



- 48 pb⁻¹ 1999-2000 data
- Tagged photoproduction:
 Q²<0.01 GeV²
 175<W<247 GeV
- Photons: p_{τ} >2 GeV, E>8 GeV
- Rapidity gap: $y_{IP} < 0.018$, $\Delta \eta > 2$
- Backgrounds:
 - Inclusive diffractive photoproduction <9% subtracted
 - Diffractive ω production negligible ($\pi^0\gamma$ and $\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ decay modes)

High t Photons: x_{IP} and t



- Steep rise with small x_{IP}
- Reasonable description by BFKL LLA prediction with $\overline{\alpha_s}=0.15-0.17$ (cf. $\overline{\alpha_s}=0.17$ for high *t* J/ ψ production)
- Normalisation uncertainty within LLA
- Could be important higher order effects

Conclusions

- First HERA II measurement of DVCS
 - cross sections versus Q^2 , W and t
- Preliminary results in agreement with previous DVCS measurements
- Statistical errors on Q^2 , W and t slope fits decreased
 - improvement in t slope fit constrains theory normalisation
- Good description of data by NLO QCD predictions based on GPDs
 - sensitive to PDF inputs, but do not measure GPDs
- Reasonable description by Colour Dipole predictions
- High t photon production reasonably described by LLA BFKL prediction