Vector Mesons at



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Vector mesons at H1: Recent Results



HERA and H1



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Diffractive Vector Meson Production





 ρ^0 , ω , ϕ , J/ψ , ψ' , Υ

 $\gamma^* p$ CM Energy

Probe wide ranges of scales: Q^2 , t, M_{VM}

W

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Theoretical Frameworks

"Soft" processes Regge Theory (Soft Pomeron) "Hard" processes calculable in pQCD





Pomeron trajectory

Gluon density, evolution equations

Expectations

"Soft" processes Regge Theory (Soft Pomeron)



Shrinkage:b = b(W)Slow rise: $\sigma \propto W^{0.22...0.32}$ S-channel helicity conservation

Light VMs at $Q^2 \approx 0, t \approx 0$

"Hard" processes calculable in pQCD



exchange of ≥ 2 gluons $\sigma \propto (xg(x,Q^2))^2$

no shrinkage steep rise due to $xg(x,Q^2)$ SCHC may be violated

Presence of a hard scale

The new Fast Track Trigger at H1

New H1 Fast Track Trigger for HERA II:

- Threshold $p_T > 100 \text{ MeV}$
- Track counting
- Single track efficiency > 90%





r- ϕ track reconstruction in 2 μ s Full 3-D track reconstruction with almost offline precison in 20 μ s, including 2-Track invariant masses

Diffractive ρ^0 photoproduction

H1 Fast Track Trigger:

~ 250'000 $\rho^0 {\rightarrow}\, \pi^{\scriptscriptstyle +}\pi^{\scriptscriptstyle -}$ candidates

taken in 3 months 570 nb⁻¹ (prescaled)



 $Q^2 < 4 \text{ GeV}^2$ 20 < W < 90 GeV



Extract Pomeron trajectory from data from a single experiment

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Diffractive ρ^0 photoproduction

Select events with 2 Tracks

- Track p_T > 200 MeV
- Opposite charge
- 20° < ϑ < 160°
- No scattered electron
- No unassociated energy in calorimeter above noise

Correct for inefficiencies

 ρ^0 shape distorted due to nonresonant pion production



Fit skewed rel. Breit Wigner (Ross-Stodolsky) or with an interference term (Söding) Results compatible

Diffractive ρ^0 photoproduction

Signal definition: $Q^2 < 4 \text{ GeV}^2$ $(M_Y^2 + Q^2)/(W^2 + Q^2) < 0.01$

Extract cross-section for diffractive (elastic and proton dissociative) ρ^0

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12 bins in t - in total 80 bins in

W and t

Fit \sigma \propto W^{(4\alpha(t)-1)}
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Next step: Separate elastic from proton dissociative events using forward detectors



Elastic ρ^0 photoproduction

Use Forward Muon Detector and scintillators in the tunnel to tag proton dissociative events

Determine tagging efficiencies from Monte Carlo, Noise from Data

Unfold to get elastic and proton dissociative events

 \rightarrow Elastic cross-section



Elastic ρ^0 photoproduction



Good agreement with previous results from H1, ZEUS and OMEGA

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Pomeron Trajectory for ρ^0 photoproduction

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$$\alpha(t) = \alpha_0 + \alpha' \cdot t$$

 $\alpha_{\rm IP}(t) = (1.093 \pm 0.003^{+0.008}_{-0.007}) + (0.116 \pm 0.027^{+0.036}_{-0.046}) {\rm GeV}^{-2} \cdot t$

First Pomeron trajectory from data from a single experiment



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In excellent agreement with the ZEUS-OMEGA-H1 combination (errors highly correlated)

α' significantly smaller than the canonical 0.25 GeV⁻² (Donnachie and Landshoff, 1992)
Nonlinear trajectory?



H1 PRELIMINARY

High $t \rho^0$ in photoproduction

 $Q^2 < 0.01 \text{ GeV}^2$ 75 < W < 95 GeV1.5 < $|t| < 20 \text{ GeV}^2$ $M_Y < 5 \text{ GeV}$

 $\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \propto |t|^{-n}$ fits data well

 $n = 4.26 \pm 0.06^{+0.06}_{-0.04}$

- Two gluon models don't describe data
- BFKL model gives reasonable description (G.G. Poludnikowski et al., JHEP 312 (2003) 002)



H1 Collab., A. Aktas et al. Phys. Lett. B 638 (2006) 422

High $t \rho^0$: Angular distributions



Look for s-channel helicity NON-conservation (departure from Vector Dominance)

Photoproduction: e escapes through beampipe; only ϕ^{*} and θ^{*} accessible



High $t \rho^0$: Helicity Analysis

- SCHC in θ*
 SCHC violated in φ*
 2-Dimensional fit:
- $\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d^{2}\sigma}{d\cos\theta^{*} d\phi^{*}} = \frac{3}{4\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2} (1 r_{00}^{04}) + \frac{1}{2} (3r_{00}^{04} 1)\cos^{2}\theta^{*} \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Re}(r_{10}^{04})\sin2\theta^{*}\cos\phi^{*} r_{1-1}^{04}\sin^{2}\theta^{*}\cos2\phi^{*} \right)$ Spin density matrix elements r: bilinear combinations of the helicity amplitudes $M_{\lambda\gamma\prime\lambda\gamma}$ $\lambda_{\gamma\prime}\lambda_{\gamma}$: helicities (-,0,+) of photon and vector meson $r_{10}^{04} = \frac{M_{++} M_{+0}^{*} - M_{+-} M_{+0}^{*}}{|M_{++}|^{2} + |M_{+0}|^{2} + |M_{+-}|^{2}}$

M₊₊ : No Flip M₊₀ : Single Flip M₊₋ : Double Flip

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 $r_{1-1}^{04} = \frac{M_{++} M_{+-}^{*} - M_{+-} M_{++}^{*}}{|M_{++}|^{2} + |M_{++}|^{2} + |M_{++}|^{2}}$

High $t \rho^0$: SCH-Non-Conservation

Matrix elements 0 for SCHC Compare to 2-gluon and BFKL models

- r⁰⁴₀₀ in accordance with SCHC
- r_{1-1}^{04} and Re[r_{10}^{04}] violate SCHC
- Two gluon model fails
- BFKL based model describes r⁰⁴₀₀, has difficulties with r⁰⁴₁₋₁ and fails for Re[r⁰⁴₁₀]



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Elastic J/ ψ electro- and photoproduction



J/ψ - extracting the pomeron trajectory

- Determine dependence of cross section on W in bins of t
- Fit $\sigma \propto W^{4(\alpha(t)-1)}$ in each t bin
- Photo- and electroproduction





J/ψ - pomeron trajectory

- J/ψ harder than predicted by soft pomeron (γp):
- $\alpha_{P}(0) = 1.224 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.012$ $\alpha'_{P} = 0.164 \pm 0.028 \pm 0.030 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$
- Significant t dependence in photoproduction:
 4σ evidence for shrinkage, but also 2σ below soft pomeron
- Electroproduction: compatible with no shrinkage $\alpha_{\rm P}(0) = 1.183 \pm 0.054 \pm 0.030$ $\alpha'_{\rm P} = 0.019 \pm 0.139 \pm 0.076 \, {\rm GeV^{-2}}$



ZEUS: Nucl. Phys. B 695 (2004) 3 (DIS) Eur.Phys.J. C 24 (2002) 345 (γp)

J/ψ - testing gluon densities?



ansatz (Phys.Rev.D 62 (2000) 014022)

- Prediction normalised to data
- Shape comparison can constrain gluon density



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J/ψ - testing gluon densities!

- Even more prominent in W dependence
- Normalise predictions at
 W = 90 GeV, compare shapes
- Access to gluon densities in regions poorly constrained by inclusive DIS data (very low x)
- Uncertainties on gluon distributions not taken into account

Theoretical alternative: Dipole model by Frankfurt, McDermott and Strikman (FMS) (JHEP 0103 (2001) 045)



J/ψ - Helicity Analysis



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Vector Mesons at H1: Summary

- ρ^0 photoproduction at small |t| not described by soft IP $\alpha' = (0.116 \pm 0.027 + 0.036)^{-2}$
- J/Ψ production calculable in pQCD, sensitive to gluon densities and evolution
- SCHC violated for high |t| ρ⁰, no evidence for violation in J/ψ production
- Vector mesons are an excellent Laboratory to test various scales
- What is a "good" hard scale?



Outlook

 HERA II is running well: 50 pb⁻¹ taken by H1 in 2004 170 pb⁻¹ in 2005, 90 pb⁻¹ up to now in 2006

New Fast Track Trigger at H1 with much improved selectivity for exclusive final states:

- J/ψ and Υ to electrons are accessible

