



QCD measurements at HERA



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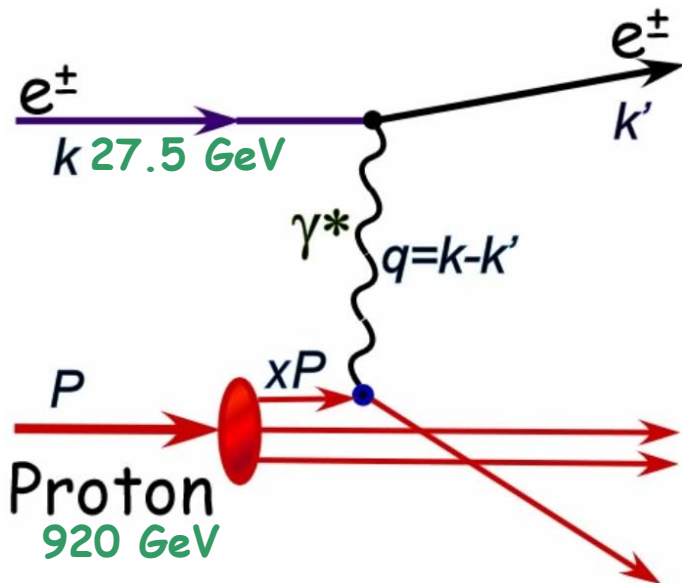
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Outline:

- Deep Inelastic Scattering & Proton Structure
- Hadronic final states, Jets, Measurements of α_s
- Heavy quark production
- Inclusive diffraction, hadronic final states, vector mesons & DVCS

Deep Inelastic Scattering, Structure functions



$$Q^2 = -(k - k')^2 \quad \text{- virtuality of exchanged boson} \\ = 2E_e E_e' (1 + \cos \theta_e)$$

$$y = p \cdot q / p \cdot k \quad \text{- inelasticity variable} \\ = 1 - E_e' (1 + \cos \theta_e) / 2E_e$$

$$x = Q^2 / 2p \cdot q \quad \text{- fraction of proton momentum} \\ \text{carried by struck quark} = Q^2 / S y$$

$$W = [Q^2(1 - x) / x]^{1/2} \quad \text{- invariant mass of } \gamma^* p \text{ system}$$

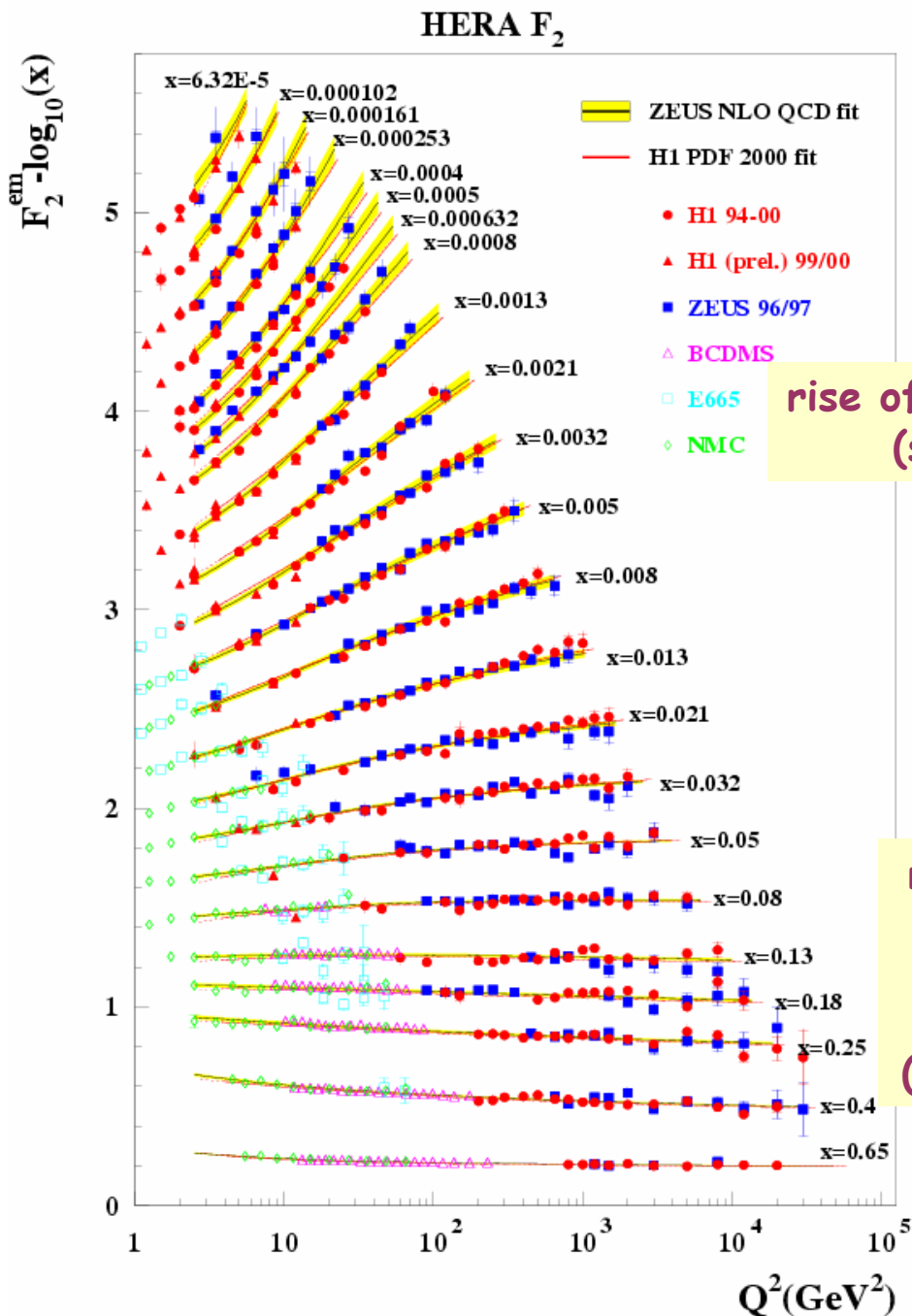
$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{e^\pm p}^{NC}}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2 y_+}{xQ^4} \cdot \underbrace{\left(F_2 - \frac{y^2}{y_+} F_L + \frac{y_-}{y_+} xF_3 \right)}_{\text{reduced cross section} \equiv \tilde{\sigma}(x, Q^2)}, \quad y_\pm = 1 \pm (1 - y)^2$$

$$F_2 = x \sum e_q^2 [q(x) + \bar{q}(x)] \quad \text{dominant contribution to cross section}$$

$$F_L = 0 \text{ at leading order; proportional to gluon density at higher orders}$$

$$xF_3 \quad \text{important only at high } Q^2$$

HERA F_2 structure function



High precision data (2÷3% for bulk of data)

NLO QCD describes F_2 over 4 orders in x, Q^2

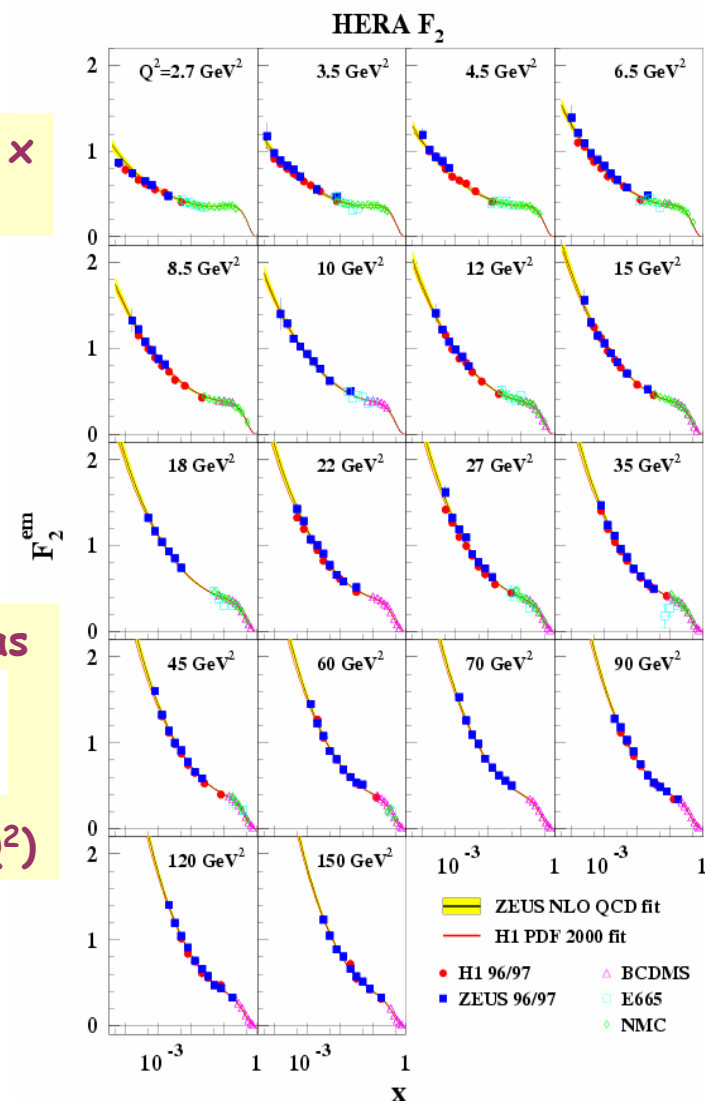
rise of F_2 with Q^2 at low x
(scaling violation)

$$\frac{dF_2}{d \ln Q^2} \sim g$$

rise of F_2 at $x \rightarrow 0$ as

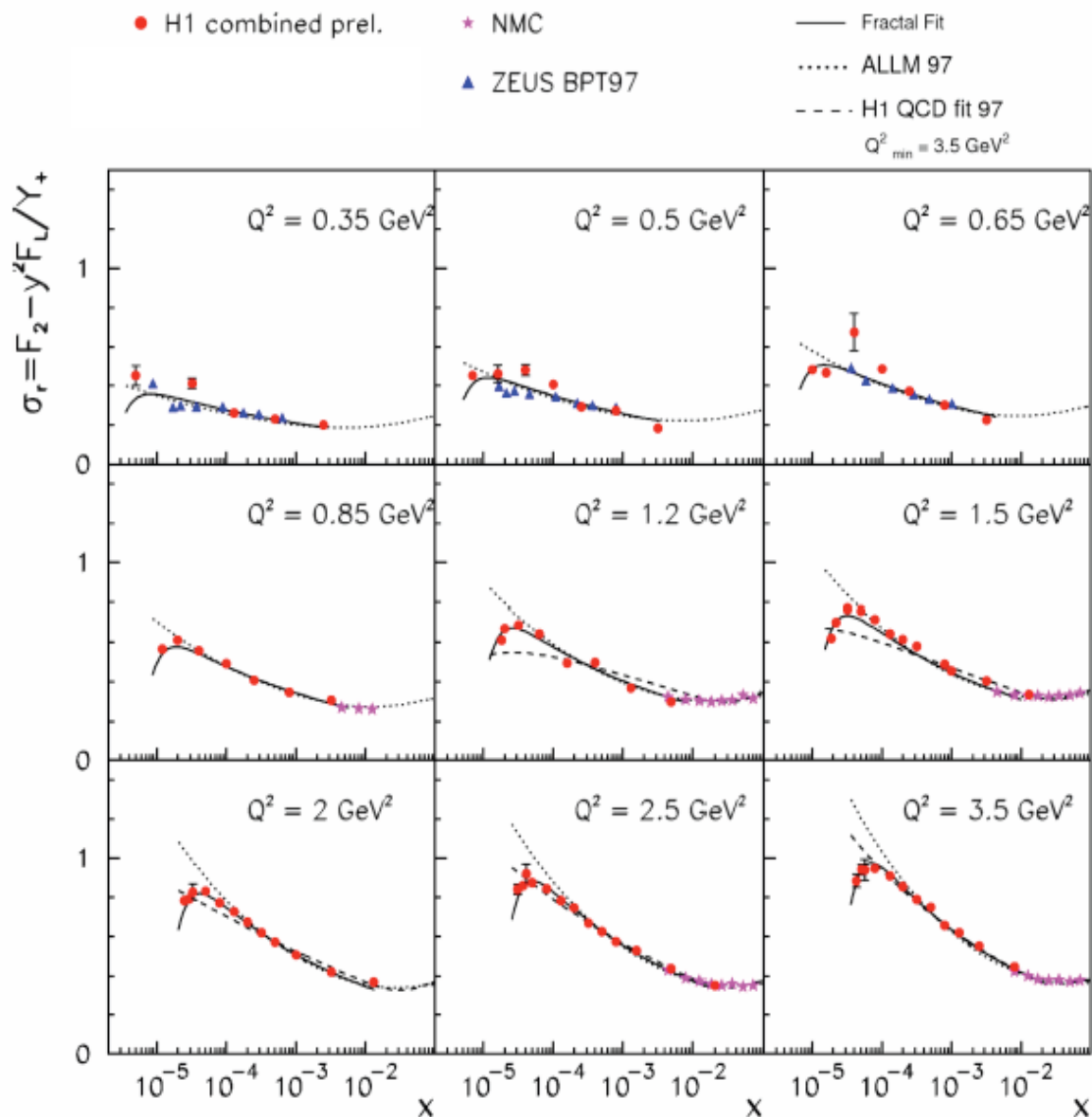
$$F_2 \sim x^{-\lambda(Q^2)}$$

(λ increasing with Q^2)



Cross section measurements at very low Q^2

New measurements in the transition region ($Q^2 \sim 1 \text{ GeV}^2$) between DIS and γp .
 Precision $\sim 2 \div 3\%$, for $Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2 \sim 1.5\%$



Proton PDFs from HERA - NLO QCD DGLAP fit

F_2 data from HERA allow to extract individual quark flavours, gluon density can be obtained from scaling violation

→ quark and gluon distributions -
 $xq(x, Q^2)$, $x\bar{q}(x, Q^2)$, $xg(x, Q^2)$

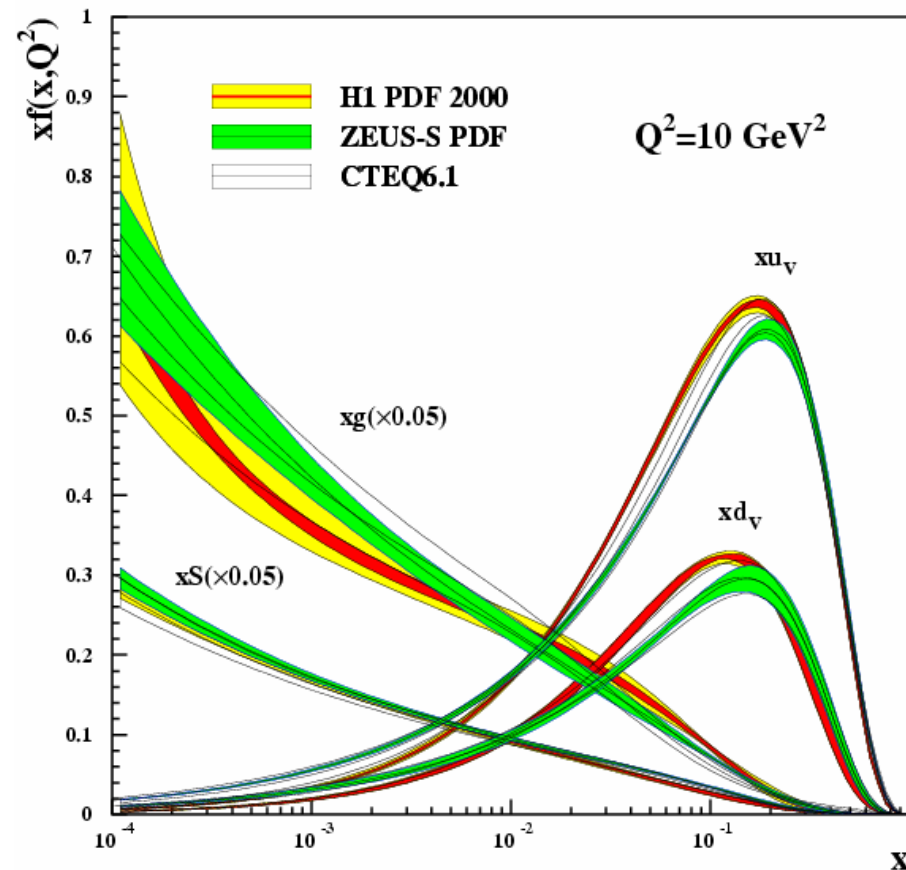
▪ Valence quarks u_v, d_v determine proton structure at high x , sea and gluons important at low x

F_2 data constrain the low- x sea quarks and gluons ($x = 10^{-1} \div 10^{-4}$)

▪ Some difference between fits

▪ largest uncertainties at low x gluon density

→ room for improvement (additional input from high y and F_L measurements will push down the uncertainties)



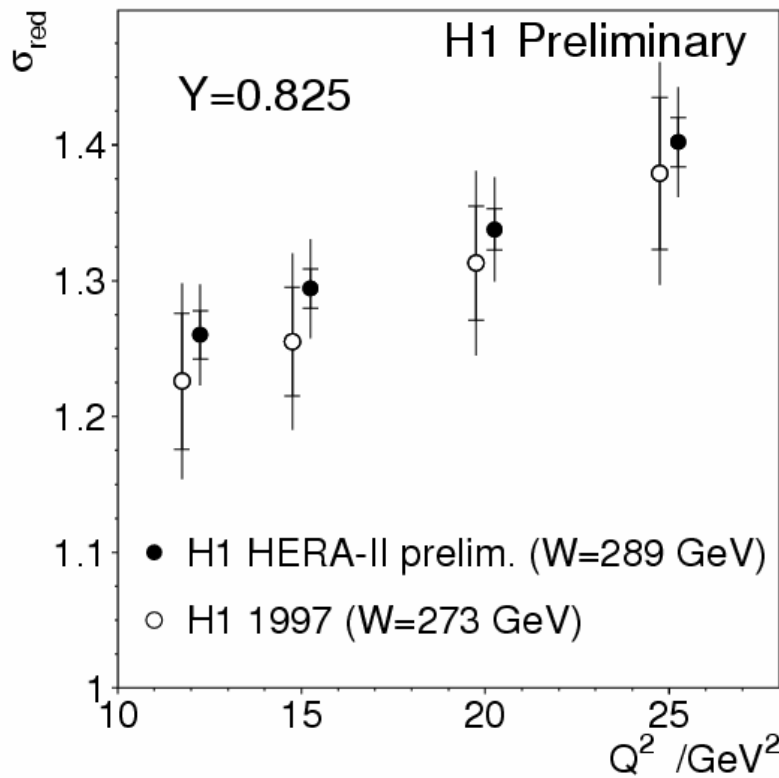
Measurements at high y and F_L

(scattered electron at low energy)

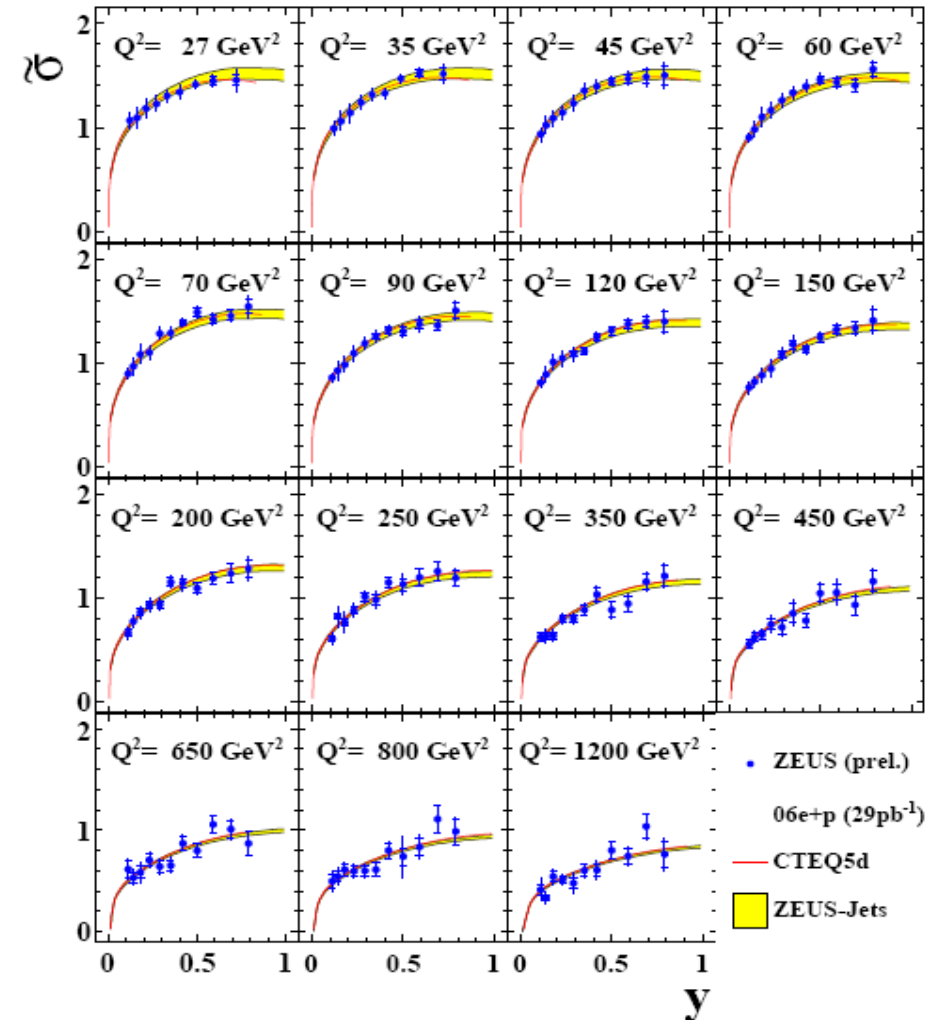
Sensitive to F_L (e.g. to gluons)

$$F_L \sim \alpha_s \cdot g(x, Q^2):$$

$$\sigma_r = F_2 - y^2/[1+(1-y)^2] \cdot F_L$$



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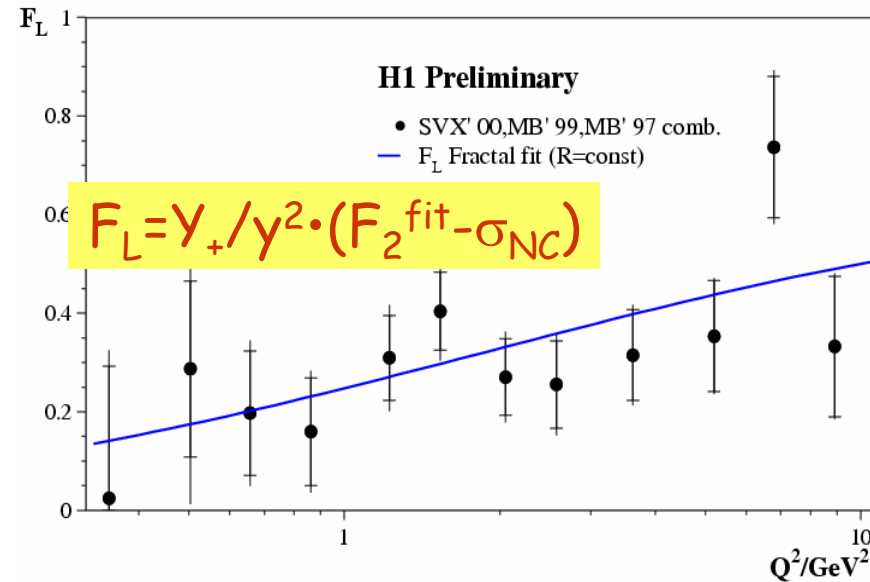
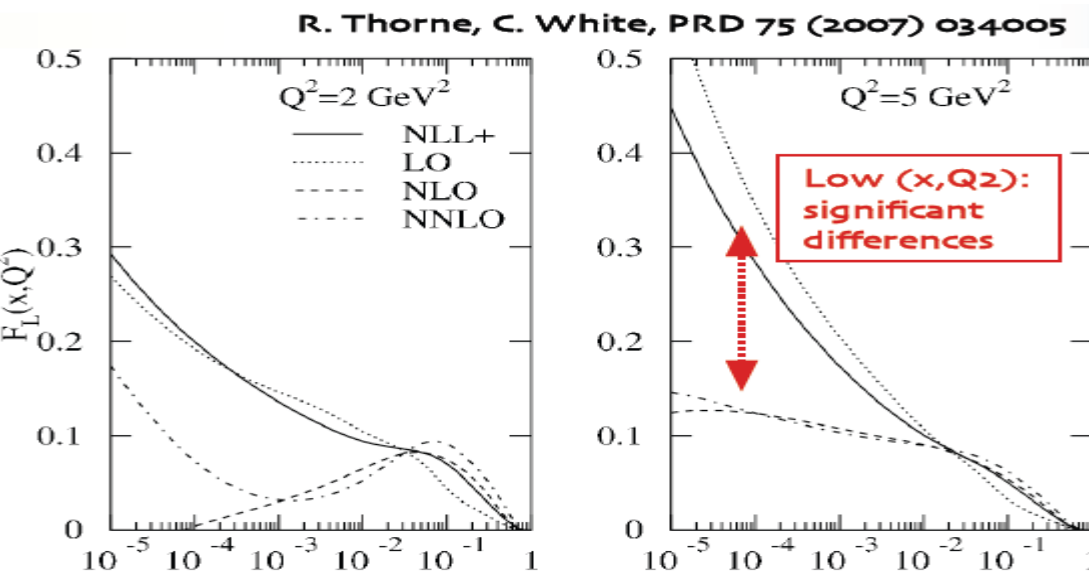


measurements extended to higher y ,
total errors - 2÷3% (factor ~2 improvement in precision)

F_L measurements

F_L is directly sensitive to gluon PDF

$$F_L \sim \alpha_s \cdot g(x, Q^2)$$

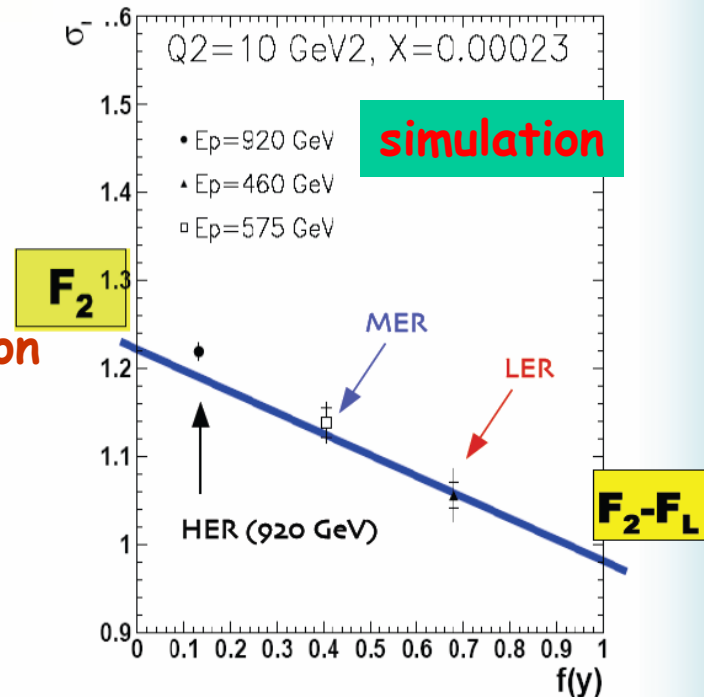


So far only indirect measurement was possible (fit F_2 and extrapolate to low x) \rightarrow model dependence

Direct measurement of F_L requires measuring cross section at the same Q^2, x but at different y (different beam energies)

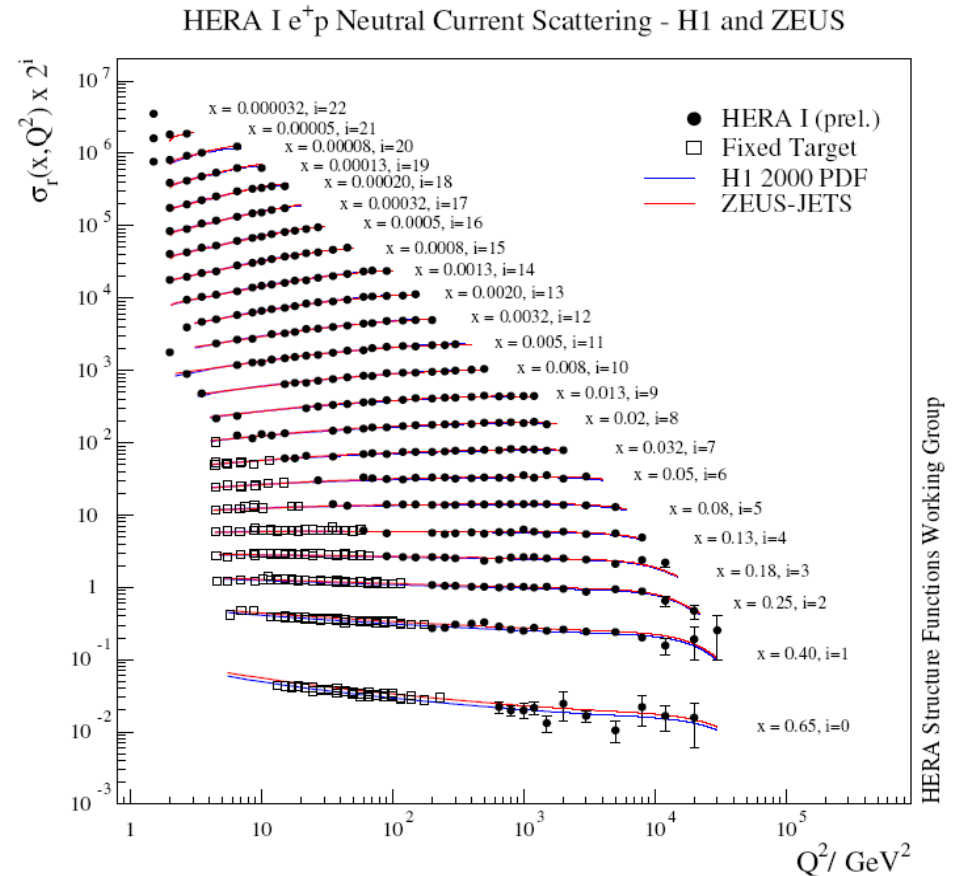
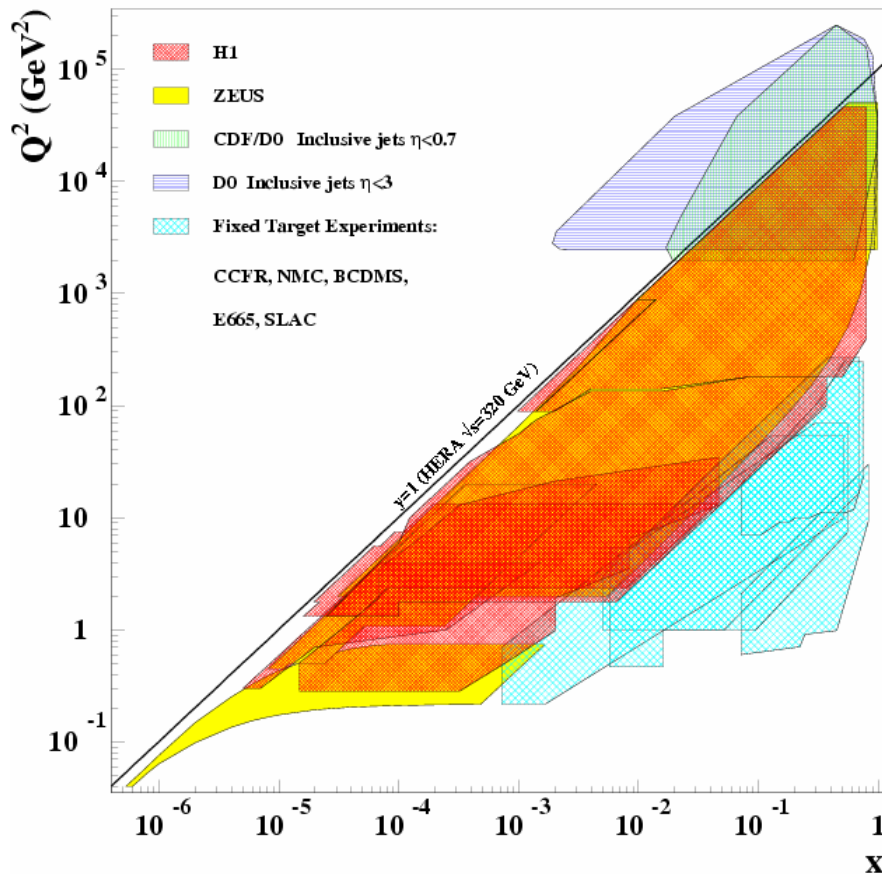
$$\sigma_r = F_2 - y^2 / Y_+ \cdot F_L$$

Last 3 months of HERA were dedicated to this measurement: HERA delivered $\sim 14 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ at $E_p = 460 \text{ GeV}$ and 7 pb^{-1} at $E_p = 575 \text{ GeV}$.



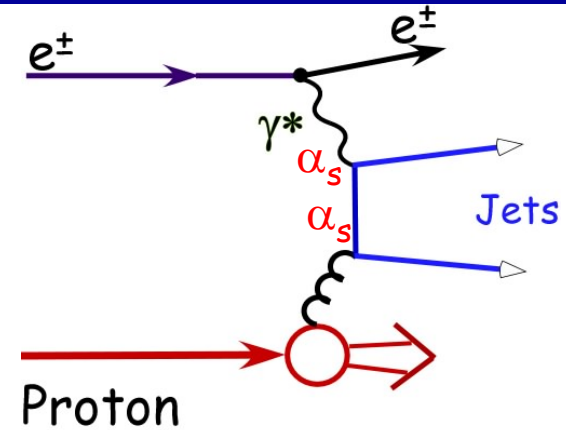
Conclusions on structure functions

- HERA experiments provide unique information on proton structure at low x , \rightarrow crucial input for LHC physics !
- Precision of HERA measurement reached 2÷3% level, (aim is 1÷1.5%)
- Direct measurement of longitudinal str.function F_L will provide an important check of the theory and a new handle on the gluon density
- H1 and ZEUS initiated work on HERA average cross sections
 - model independent check of consistency
 - cross-calibrate each other, reduce systematical errors



Physics with Jets at HERA

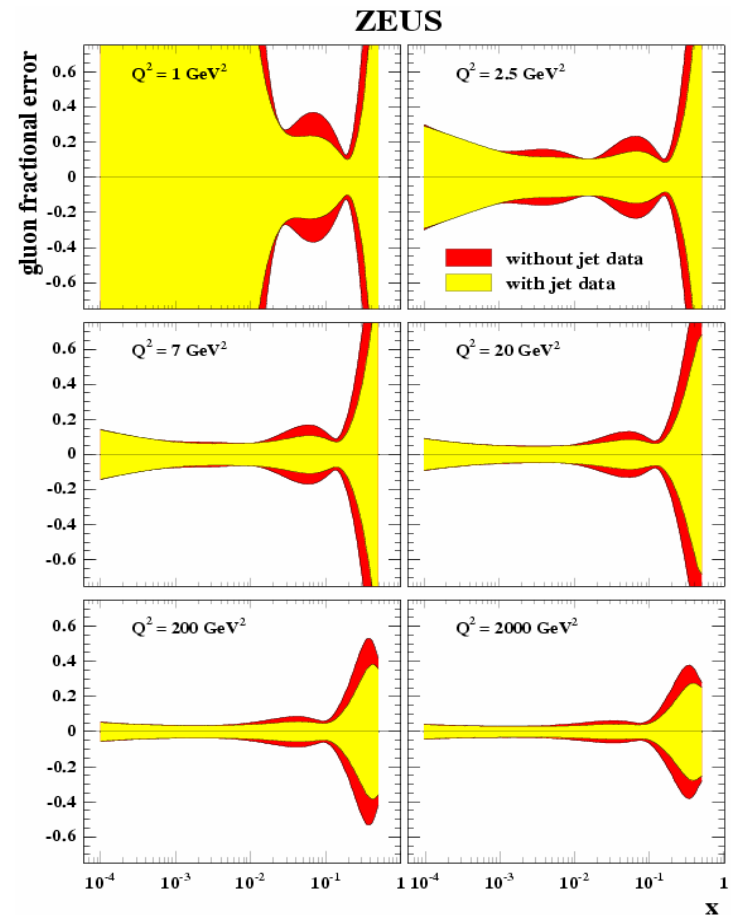
- Provides a testing ground for QCD
- Jets are directly sensitive to gluons: $\sigma \sim \alpha_s \cdot g(x)$
 - help to improve constraining gluon density
 - extract strong coupling α_s with high precision



HERA-1 data in inclusive DIS and dijet photoproduction already successfully used to constrain high x gluon

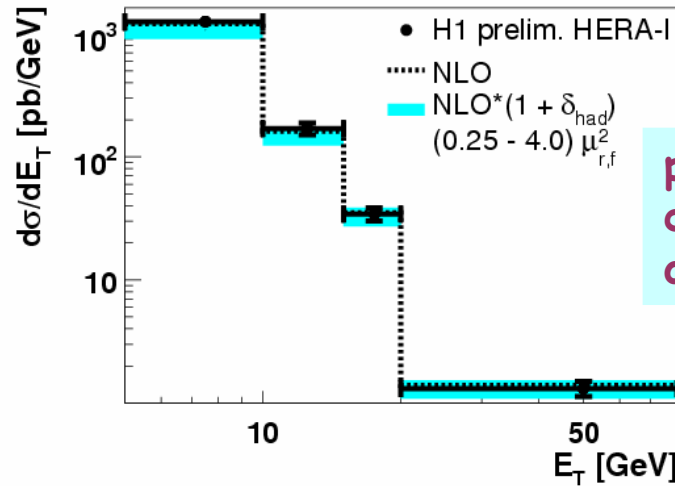
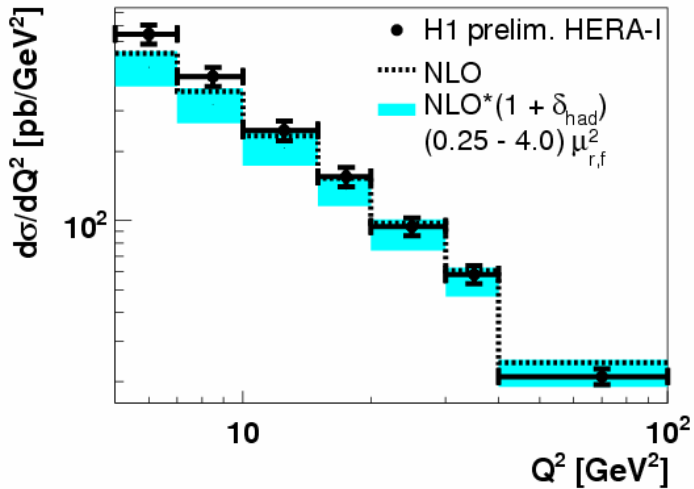


Wealth of new jet data from HERA available to provide further constrains on gluon PDF at medium and high x



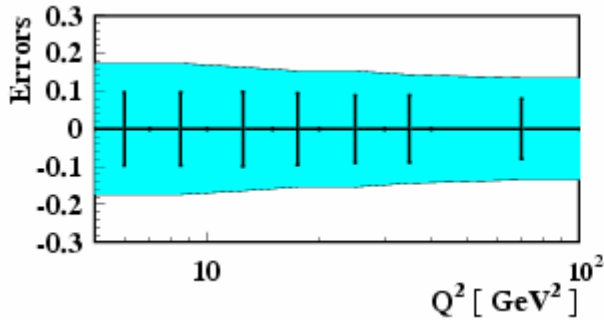
Jet production at low Q^2 DIS ($5 < Q^2 < 100 \text{ GeV}^2$)

Inclusive jet cross sections $d\sigma/dQ^2$, $d\sigma/dE_T^{\text{jet}}$

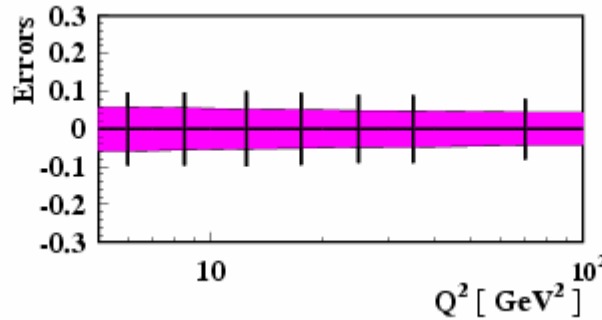


pQCD at NLO provides a good description for $Q^2 > 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ or $E_T^{\text{jet}} > 10 \text{ GeV}$

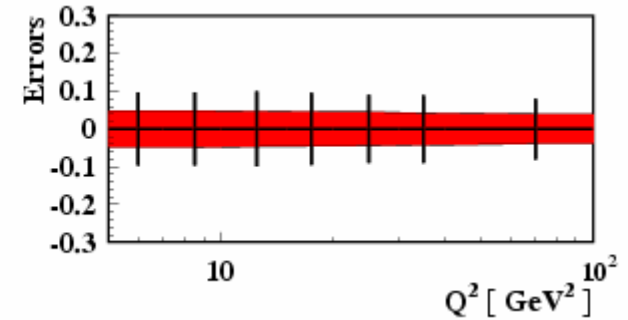
Theoretical uncertainties of NLO calculations



μ_R unc. \rightarrow up to $\pm 20\%$



PDF unc. $\rightarrow \pm 5\%$

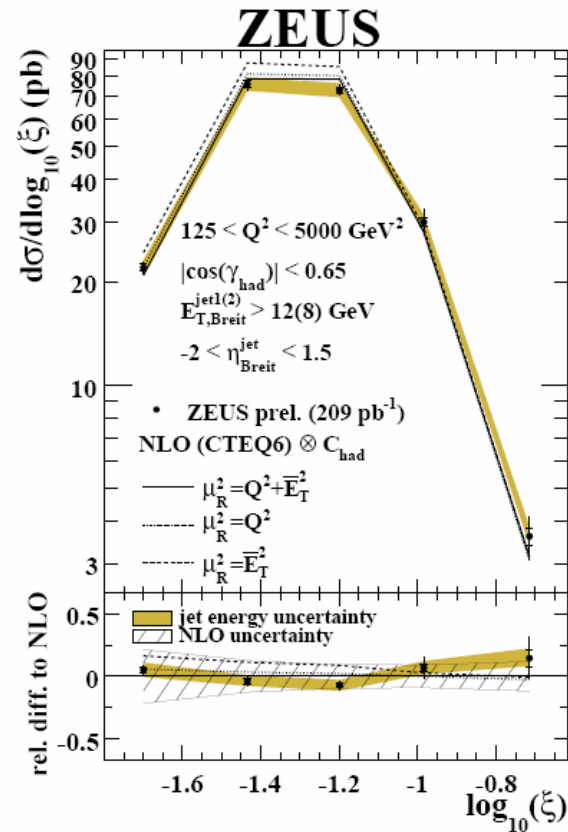
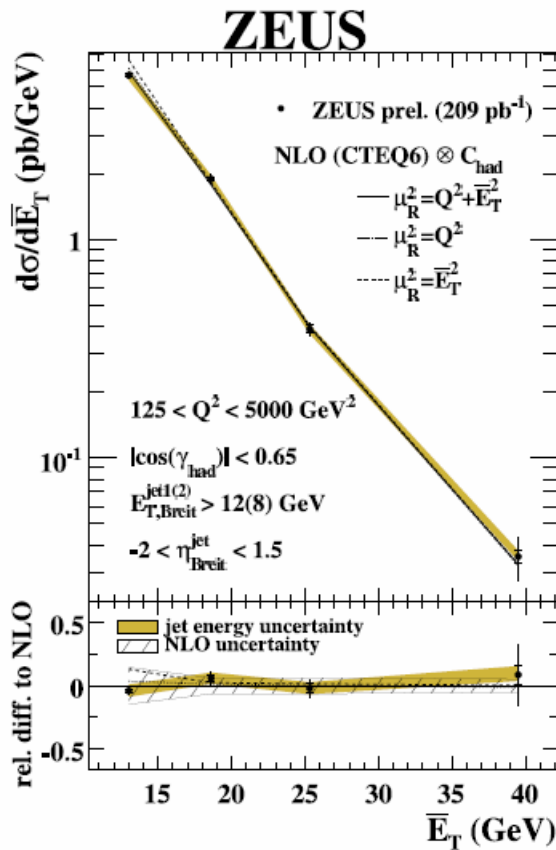


$\alpha_S(M_Z)$ unc. $\rightarrow \pm 5\%$

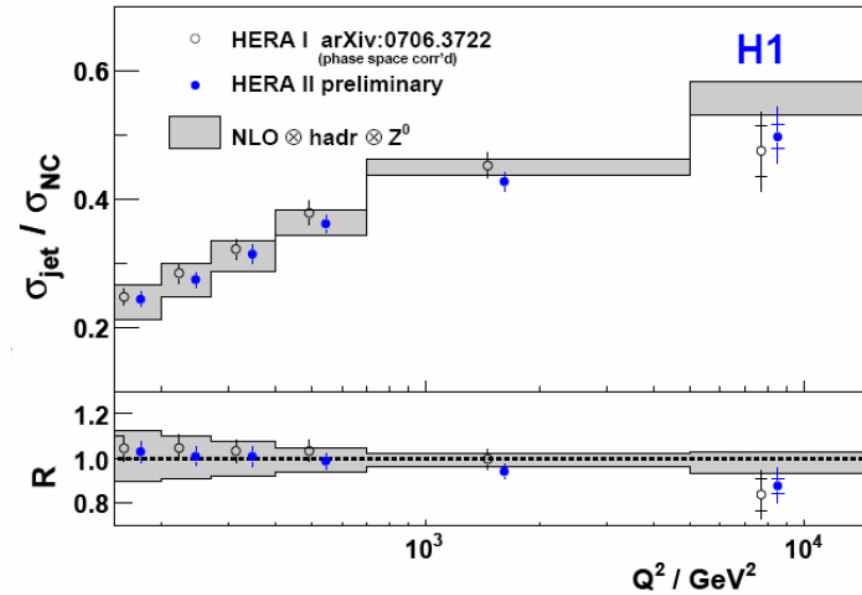
The largest contribution to uncertainties are from terms beyond NLO
 \rightarrow NNLO is needed to describe jets data at low Q^2 region

Jet production at high Q^2 DIS

New high statistics results - HERA-1 + HERA-2 data



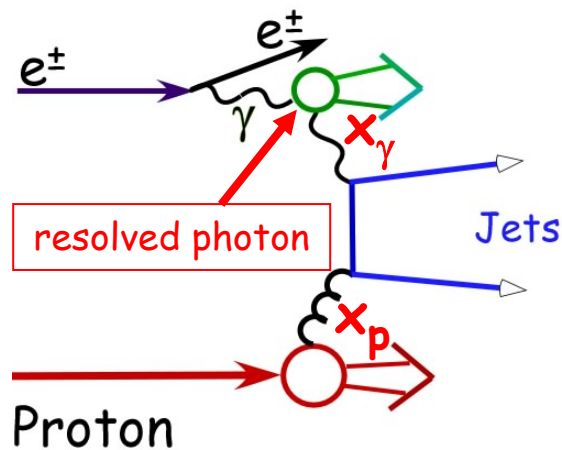
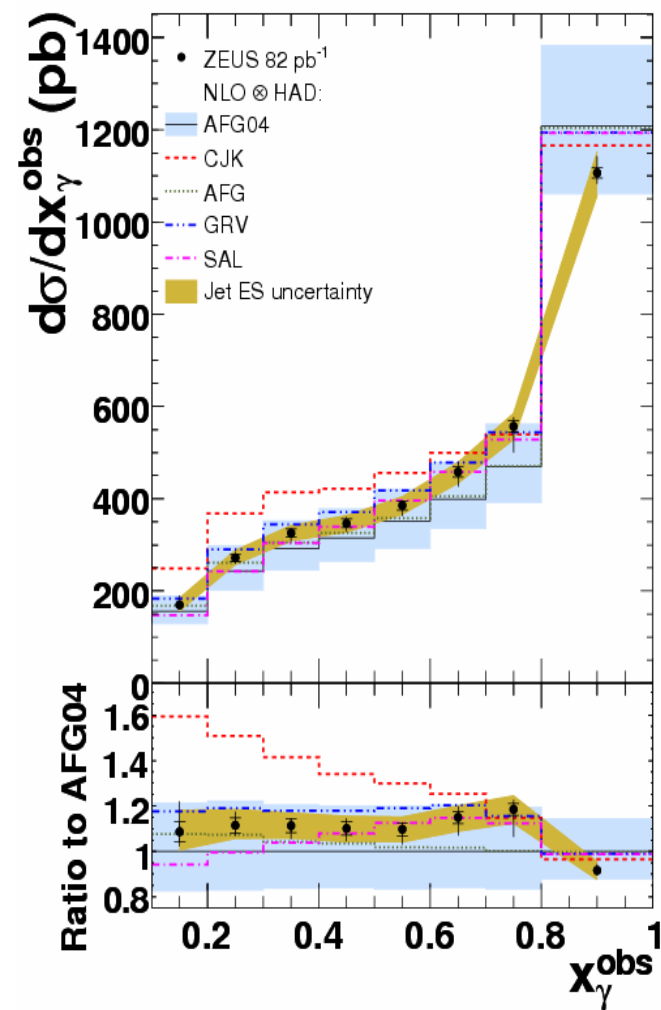
(ξ -fraction of the proton momentum carried by the interacting parton)



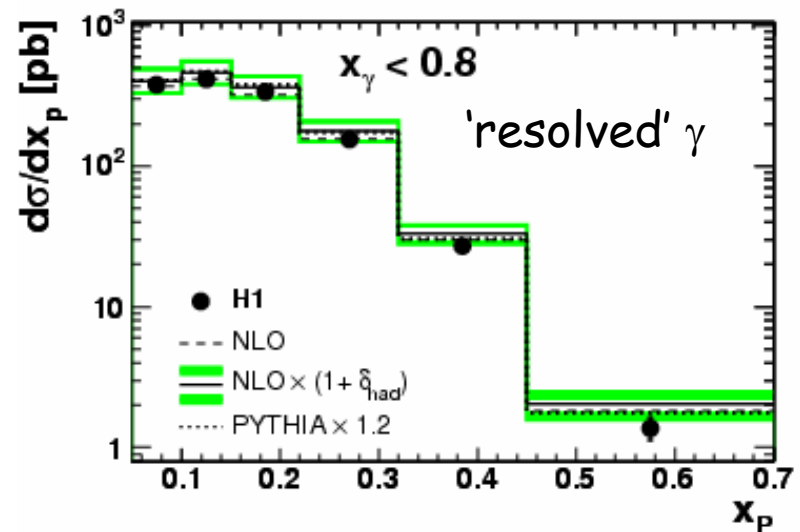
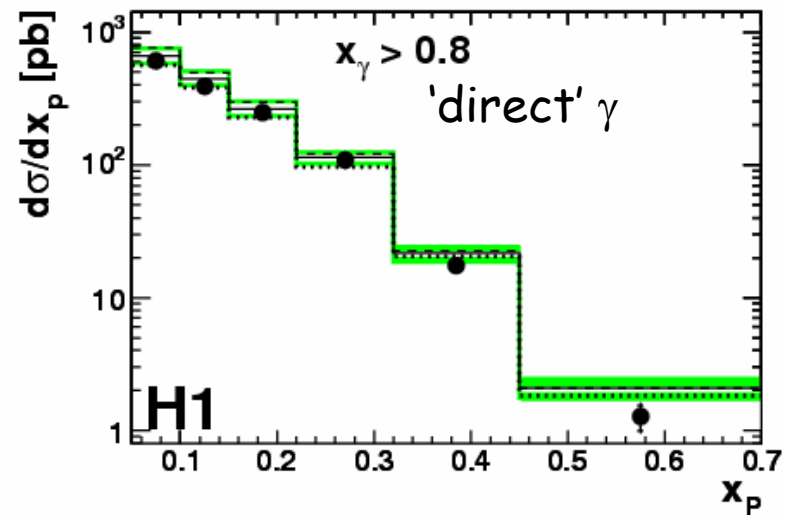
- Gluon density probed up to high momentum fraction
- Good description by NLO QCD

High E_+ jets in photoproduction

Direct and resolved photons sensitive to gluons in the proton and in the photon
 → help to improve constraining parton densities



High x_γ - 'direct' photon
 → gluon in the proton
 Low x_γ - 'resolved' photon
 → gluon in the photon

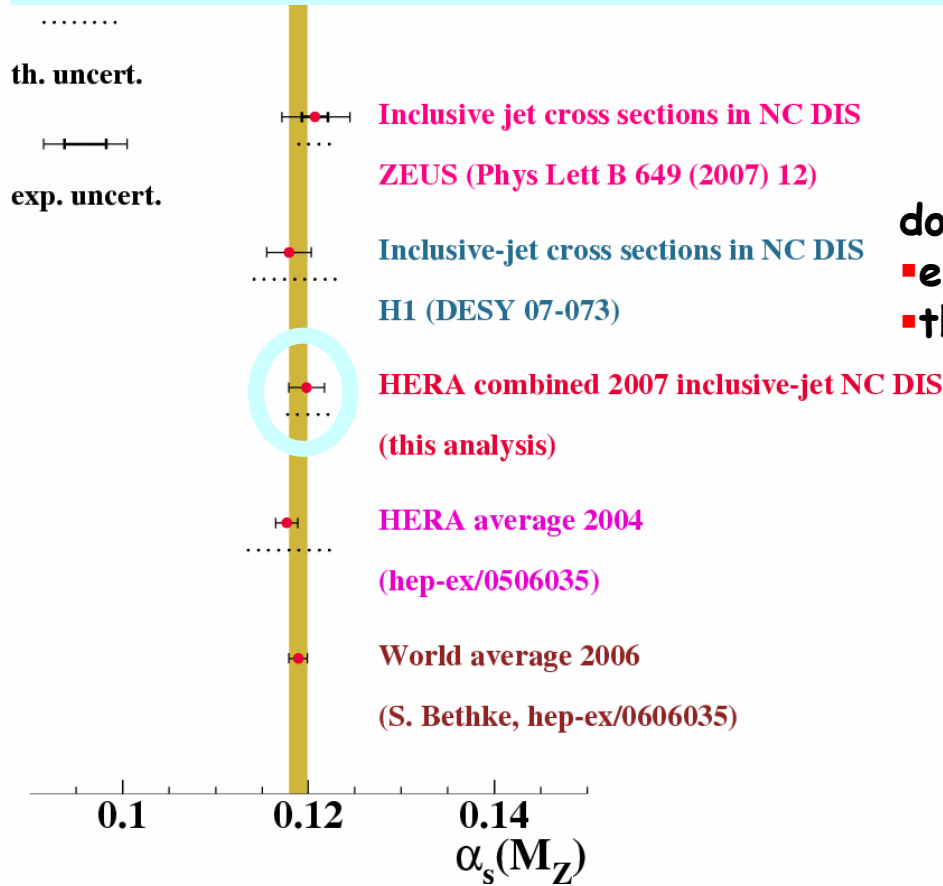
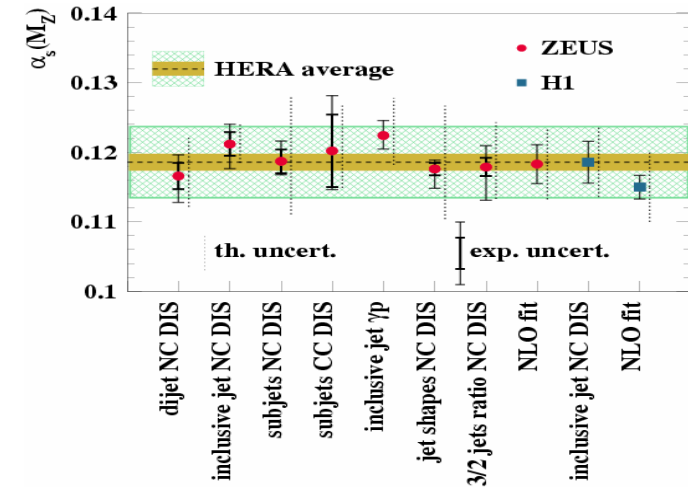


New HERA $\alpha_s(M_Z)$ combination from inclusive jet cross sections

Several precise determinations of α_s at HERA from different observables (jets, structure functions, jet substructure ..)

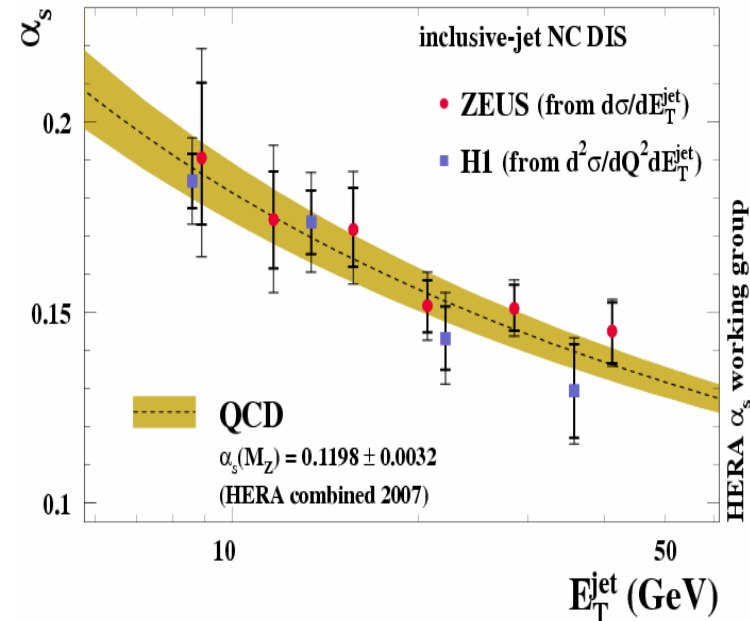
New precise $\alpha_s(M_Z)$ combination from the simultaneous fit to the H1 and ZEUS inclusive jet cross sections at high Q^2

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1198 \pm 0.0019 \text{ (exp.)} \pm 0.0026 \text{ (th.)}$$



dominant uncertainties:

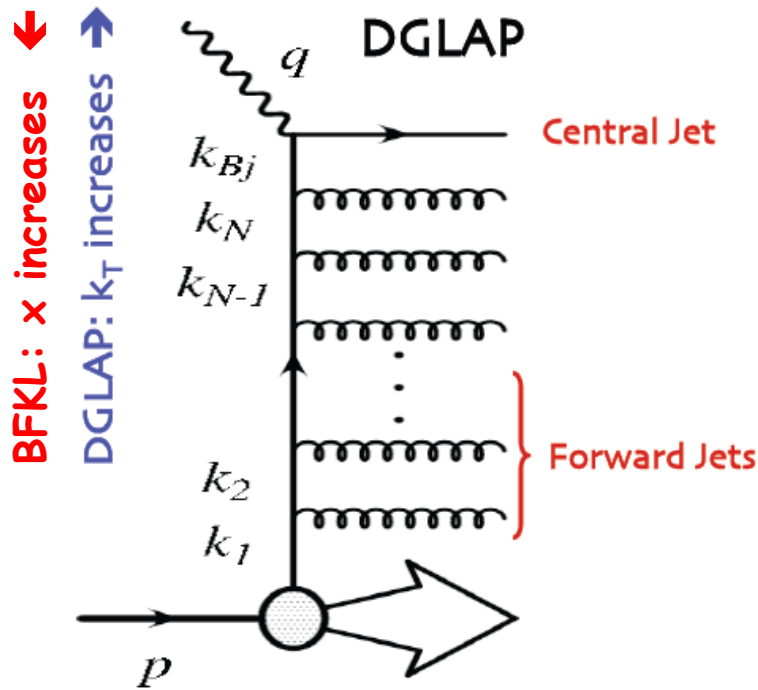
- experimental- energy scale and model dependence
- theory - terms beyond NLO



Measurements consistent with each other and with the world average

Running α_s over a large range in the scale

Parton dynamics with multijets and forward jets in DIS



DGLAP- strong k_+ ordering

$$k_{T,1}^2 \ll k_{T,2}^2 \ll \dots \ll k_{T,N}^2 \ll Q^2$$

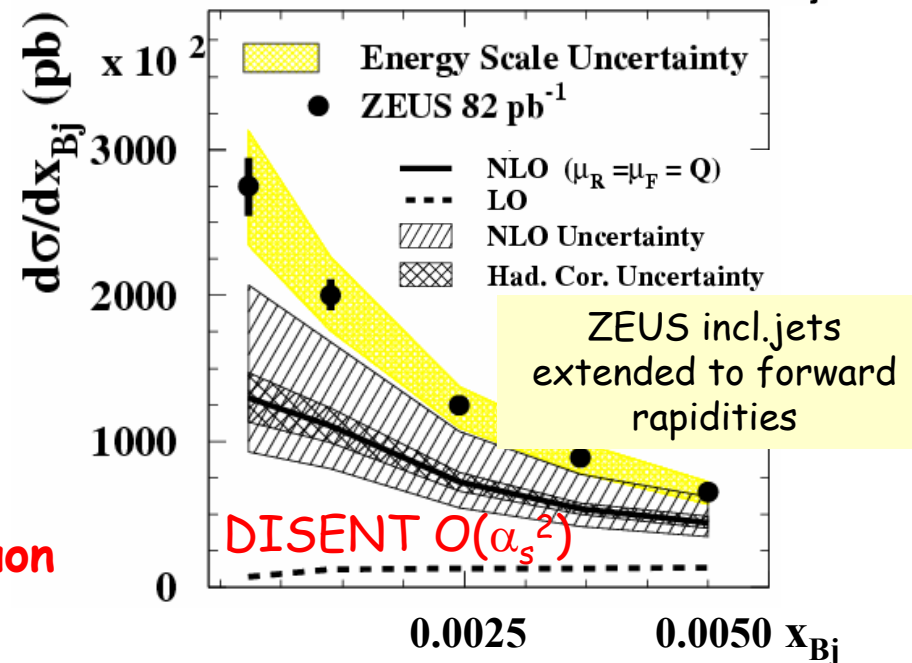
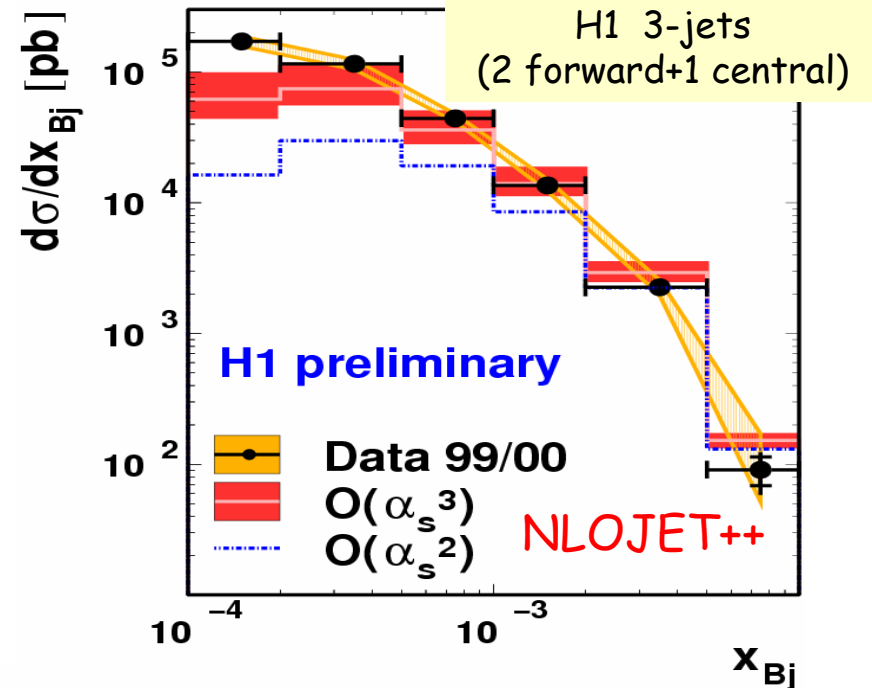
\rightarrow low probability for forward jet with $E_+ \sim Q$

BFKL- no k_+ ordering

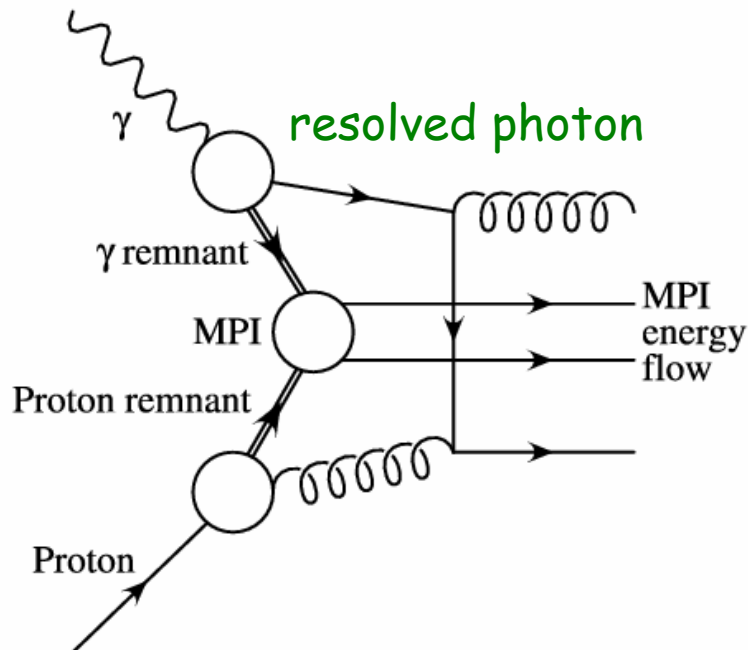
$$x_1 \gg x_2 \gg \dots \gg x_N \gg x$$

\rightarrow expect more energetic jets in forward region

Data show a strong hint for k_+ unordered gluon emission.



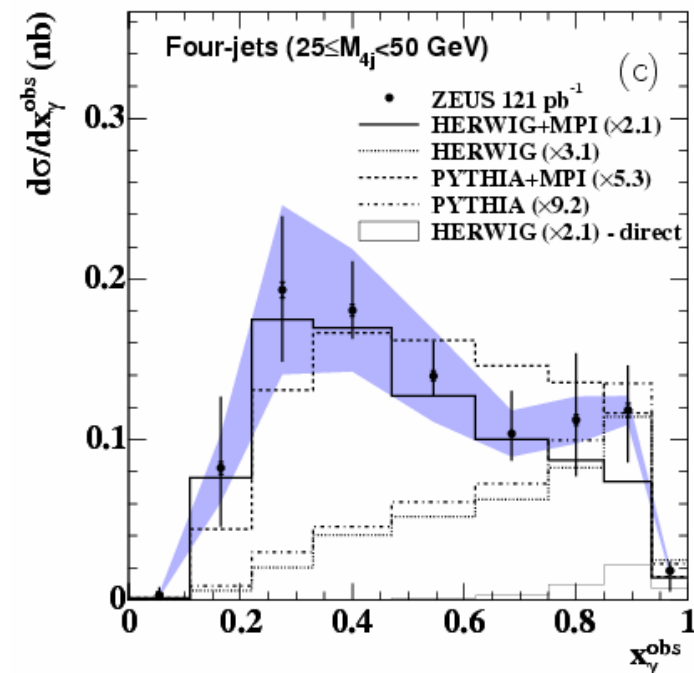
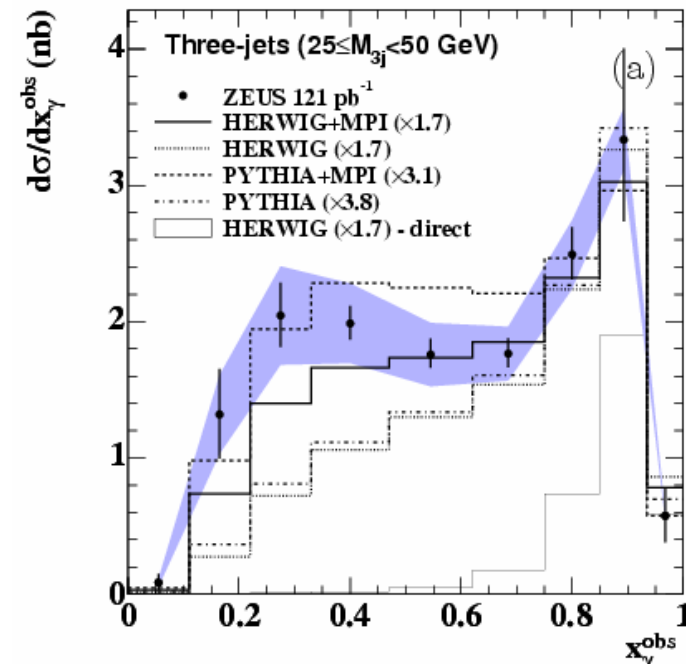
Multijets in photoproduction and Underlying event



- Multiple interactions and multi-jet final states will be abundant at LHC
- need to understand and correct the underlying event

- Test pQCD at higher order of α_s
- Test MC models (LP+PS) & Multiple Parton interactions

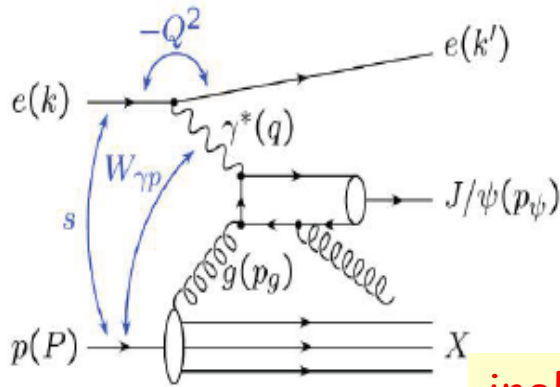
-Models without multiple interactions underestimate cross sections at low x_γ (resolved photons).
 -Models with multiple interactions describe the measurements much better



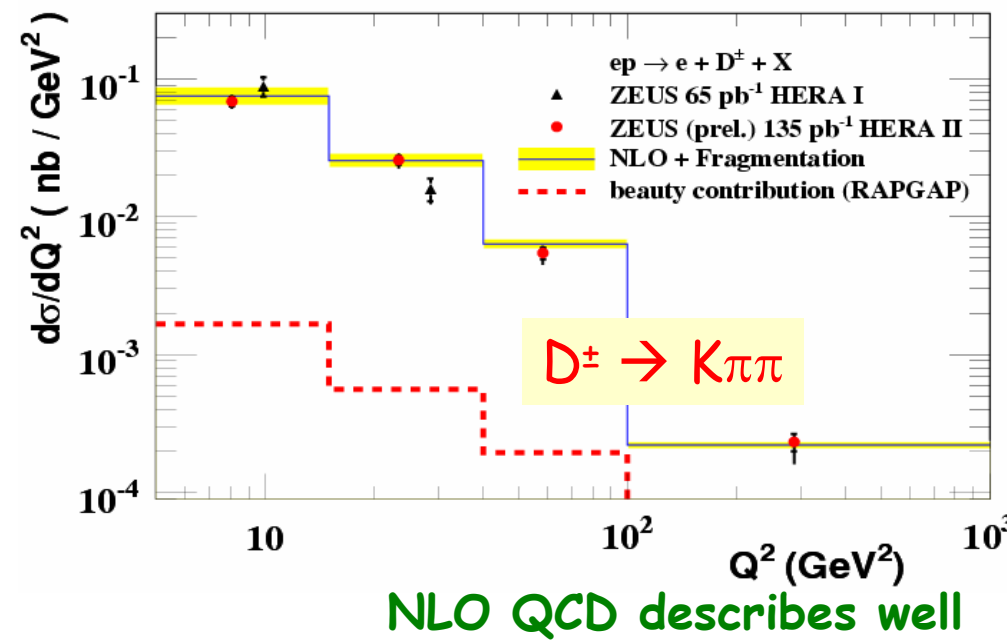
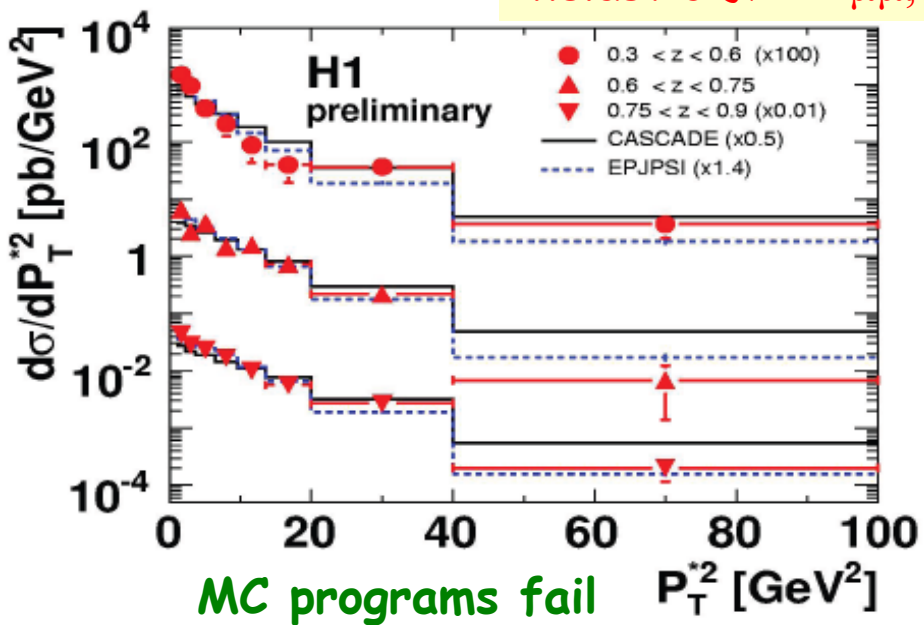
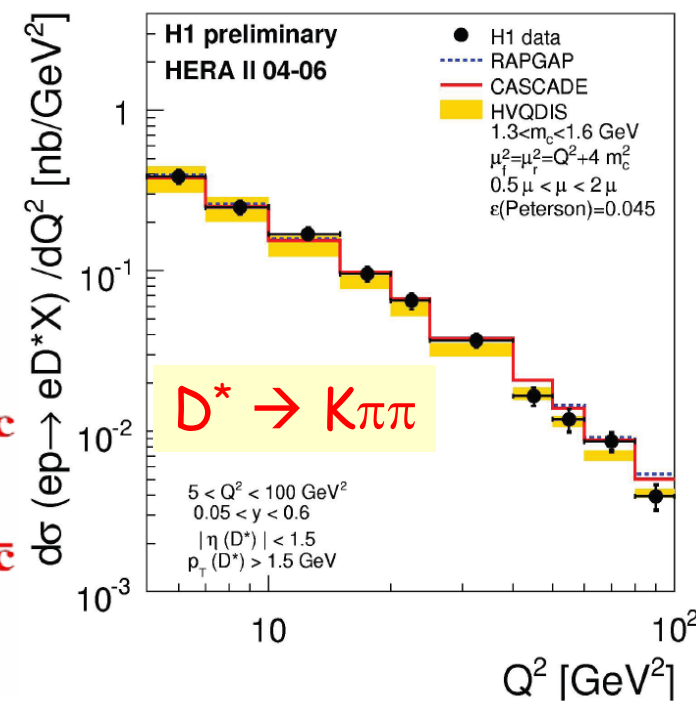
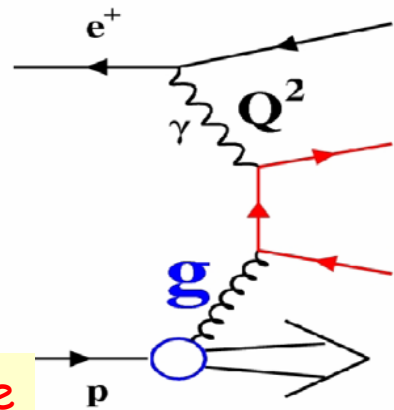
Heavy Flavours at HERA

- Study of pQCD with additional hard scale (m_c, m_b)
- Provides information on HQ production mechanism
- Is sensitive to the gluon content of the proton

Wealth of new precision data on charm ($J/\Psi, D^\pm, D^0, D^*$)
Improved experimental measurement (Si trackers)



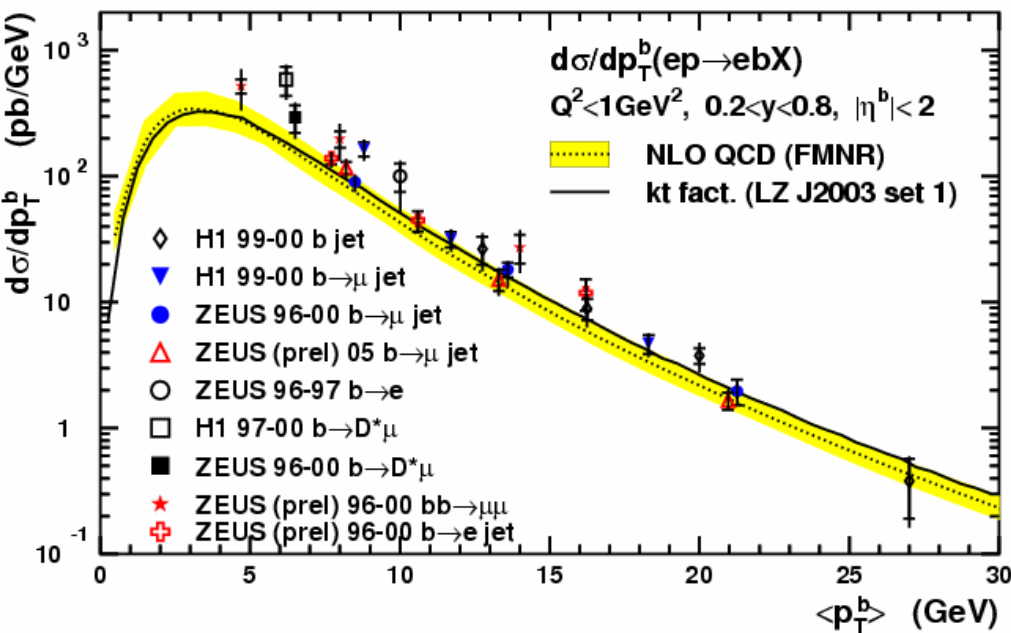
inelastic $J/\Psi \rightarrow \mu\mu, ee$



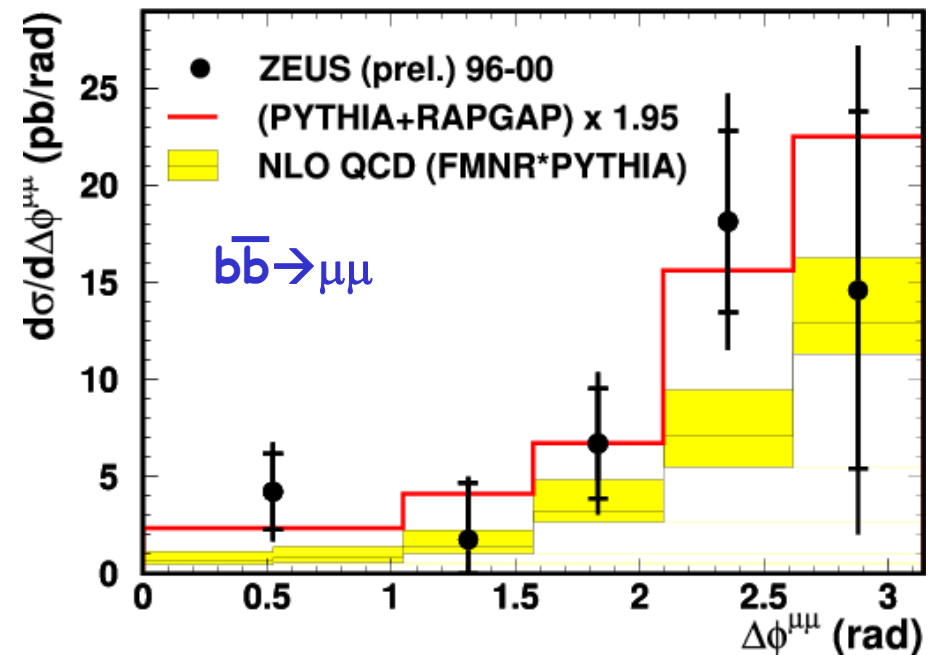
Beauty production

- Measure in variety of channels, e.g. $b \rightarrow c\mu(e)\nu$; $b\bar{b} \rightarrow \mu\mu$, $b \rightarrow D^+\mu$
- Good agreement between the different methods
- shapes well described by NLO QCD

HERA

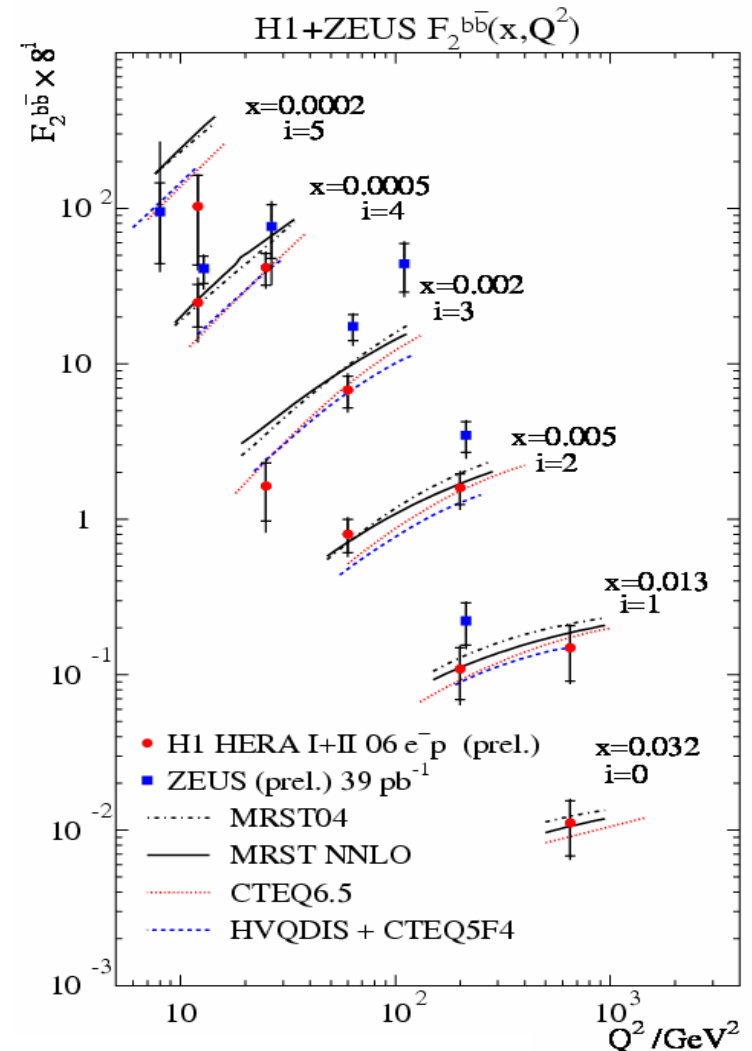
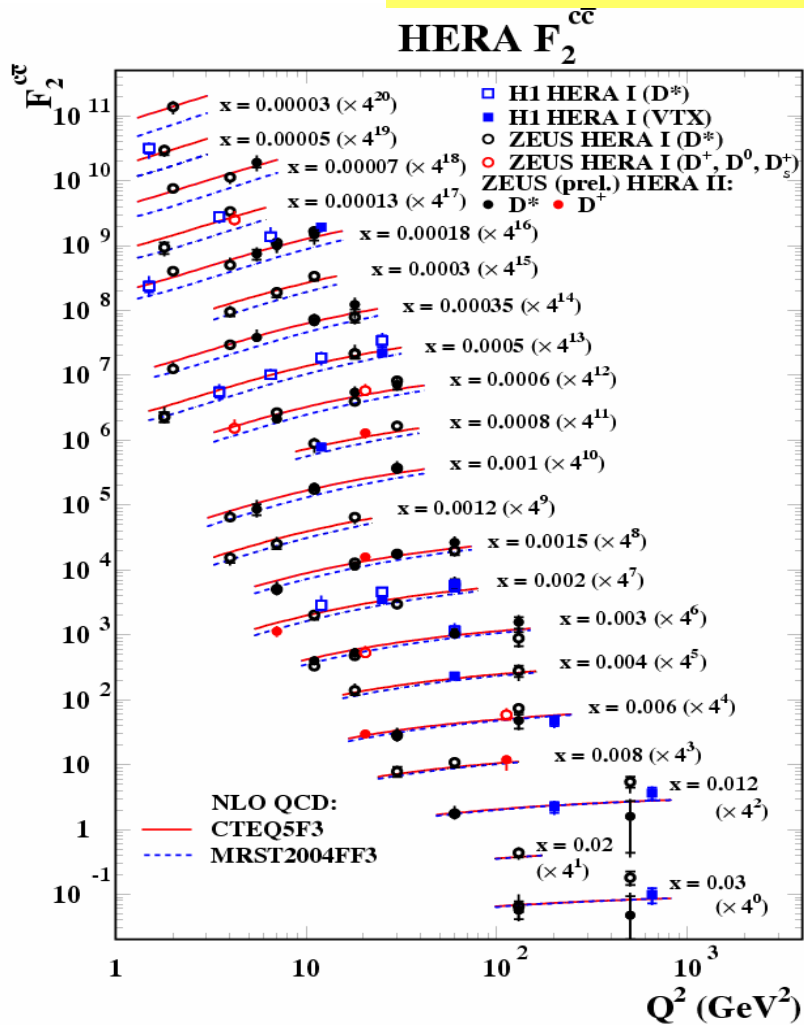


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Charm and Beauty contribution to proton F_2

$$\sigma^{c\bar{c},b\bar{b}} \sim \gamma_+ F_2^{c\bar{c},b\bar{b}}(x, Q^2) - \gamma_-^2 F_L^{c\bar{c},b\bar{b}}(x, Q^2)$$

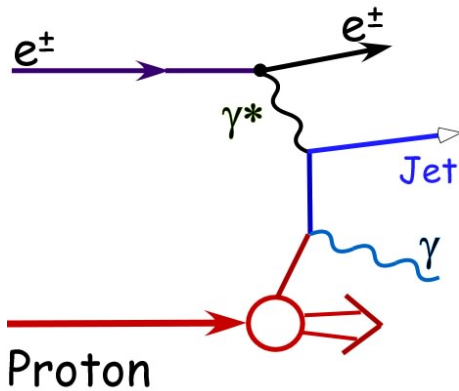
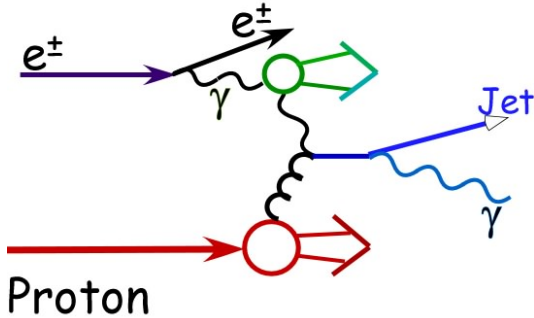


- first measurement of $F_2^{b\bar{b}}$
- scaling violation in charm and beauty \rightarrow gluons !
- $F_2^{c\bar{c},b\bar{b}}$ data can constrain the proton gluon density at small x
- large spread in theoretical predictions

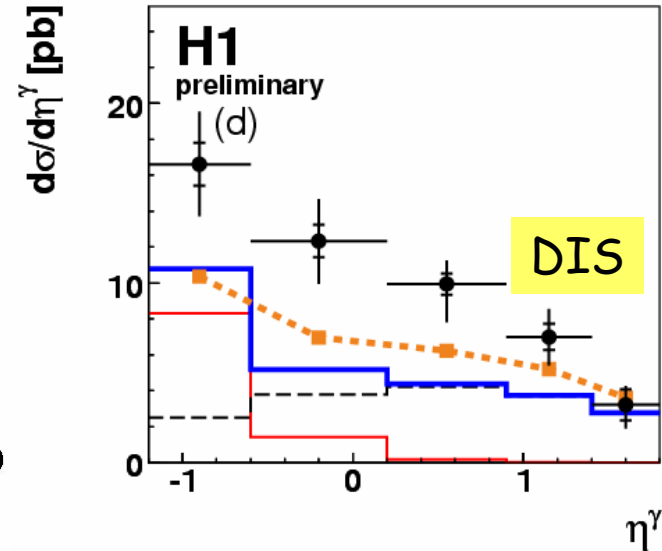
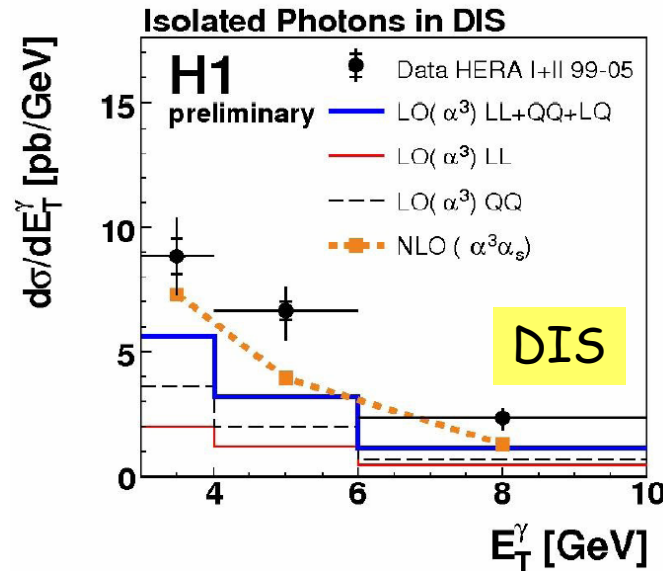
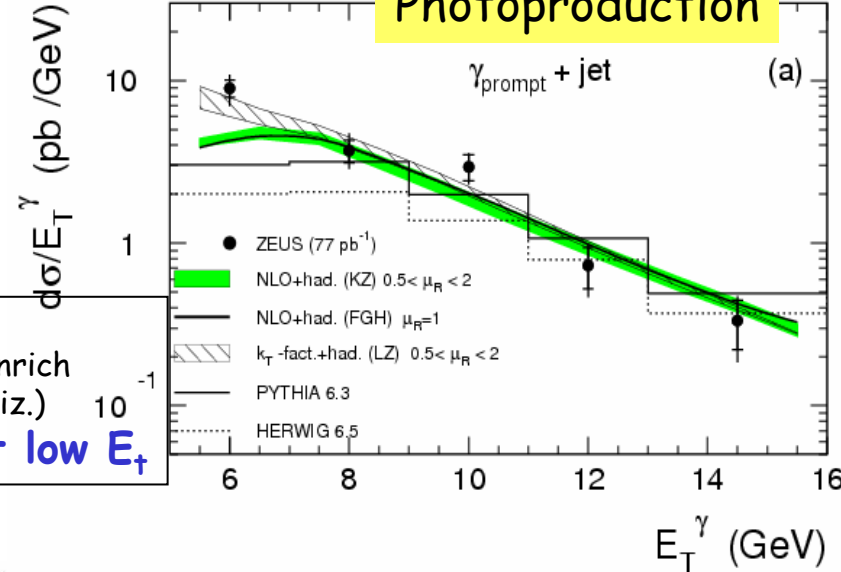
Prompt Photons at HERA

$ep \rightarrow \gamma$ (prompt) + jet + X

- Clean probe of QCD
- Constraints on proton and photon PDFs
- Understanding of photon rates relevant for searches at LHC



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 NLO-FGH-M.Fontanaz, J.P.Guillet, G.Heinrich
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Theory predictions differ at low E_T^γ

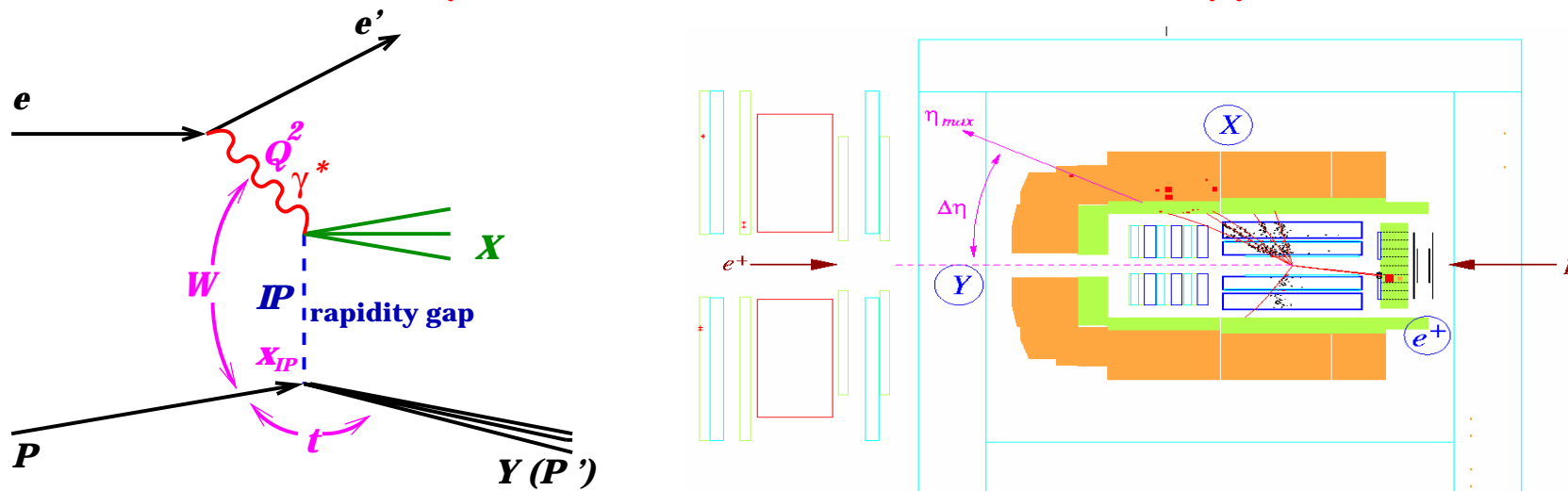


- In DIS radiation from the quark dominates
- LO calculation underestimates the measurements
- NLO QCD does not describe well, particularly at low E_T^γ

LO $\alpha^3\alpha_s$ calculation (Gehrmann et al.)
 NLO $\alpha^3\alpha_s$ calculation (G.Kramer, H.Spesberger)

Diffraction at HERA

~10% of DIS events at HERA are diffractive



- proton survives the collision intact or dissociates to low mass state, $M_Y \sim O(m_p)$
- No activity in forward direction (rapidity gap)
- small t (four-momentum transfer) and x_{IP} (fraction of proton momentum), $M_X \ll W$

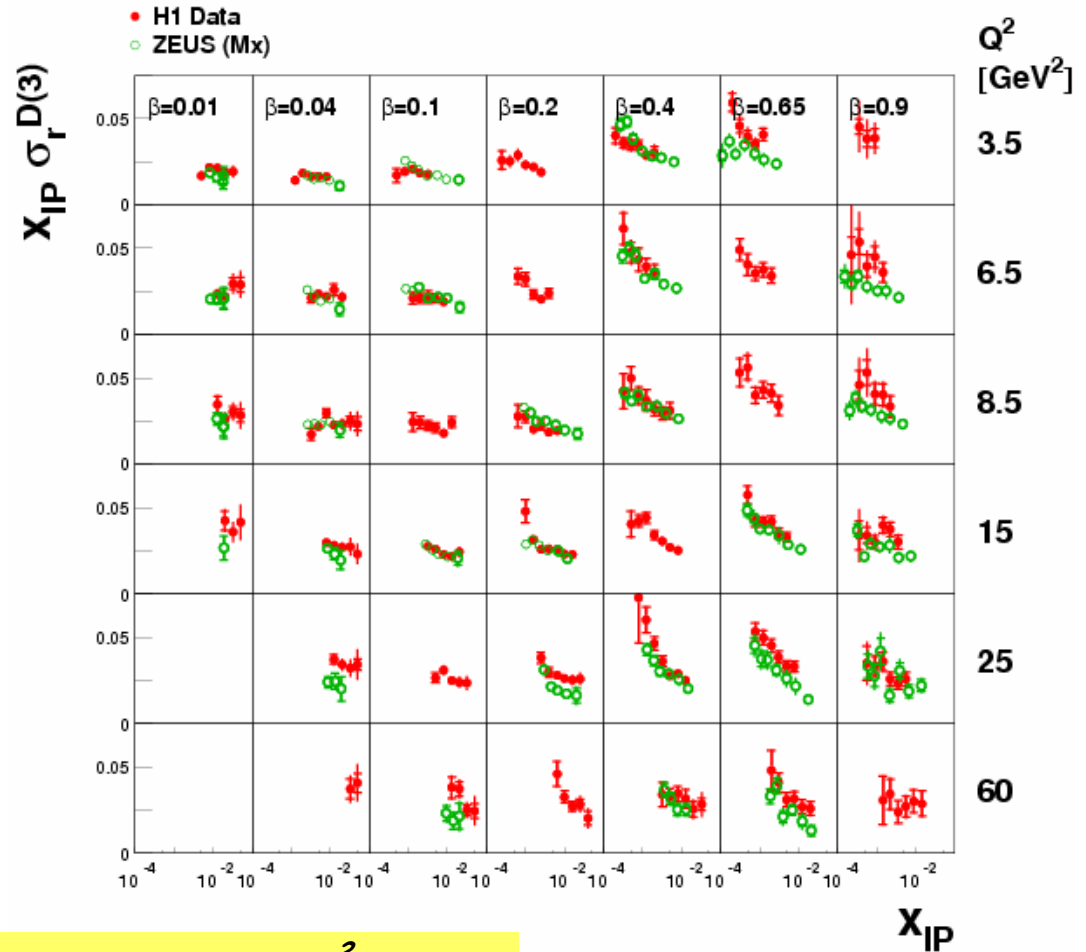
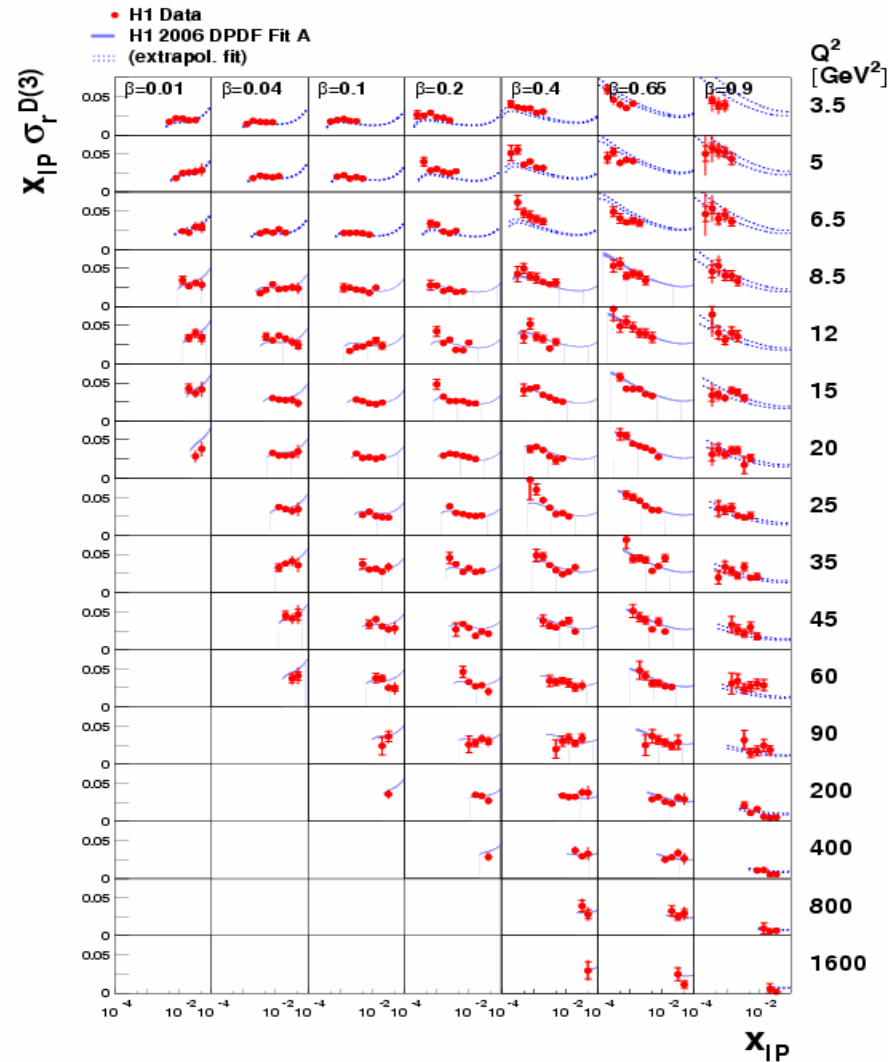
If no hard scale - Q^2 , $|t| \approx 0$: similar to soft hadron-hadron interactions
Regge: diffraction is *exchange of Pomeron*

If hard scale (large Q^2 , $|t|$, p_{T}^{jet} , m_Q): study diffractive phenomena in terms of QCD
probe the structure of exchanged object

HERA data allow to study transition from soft to hard regime and to probe partonic content of diffractive exchange.

Diffraction reduced cross section $\sigma_r^{D(3)}$ - x_{IP} , β and Q^2 dependence

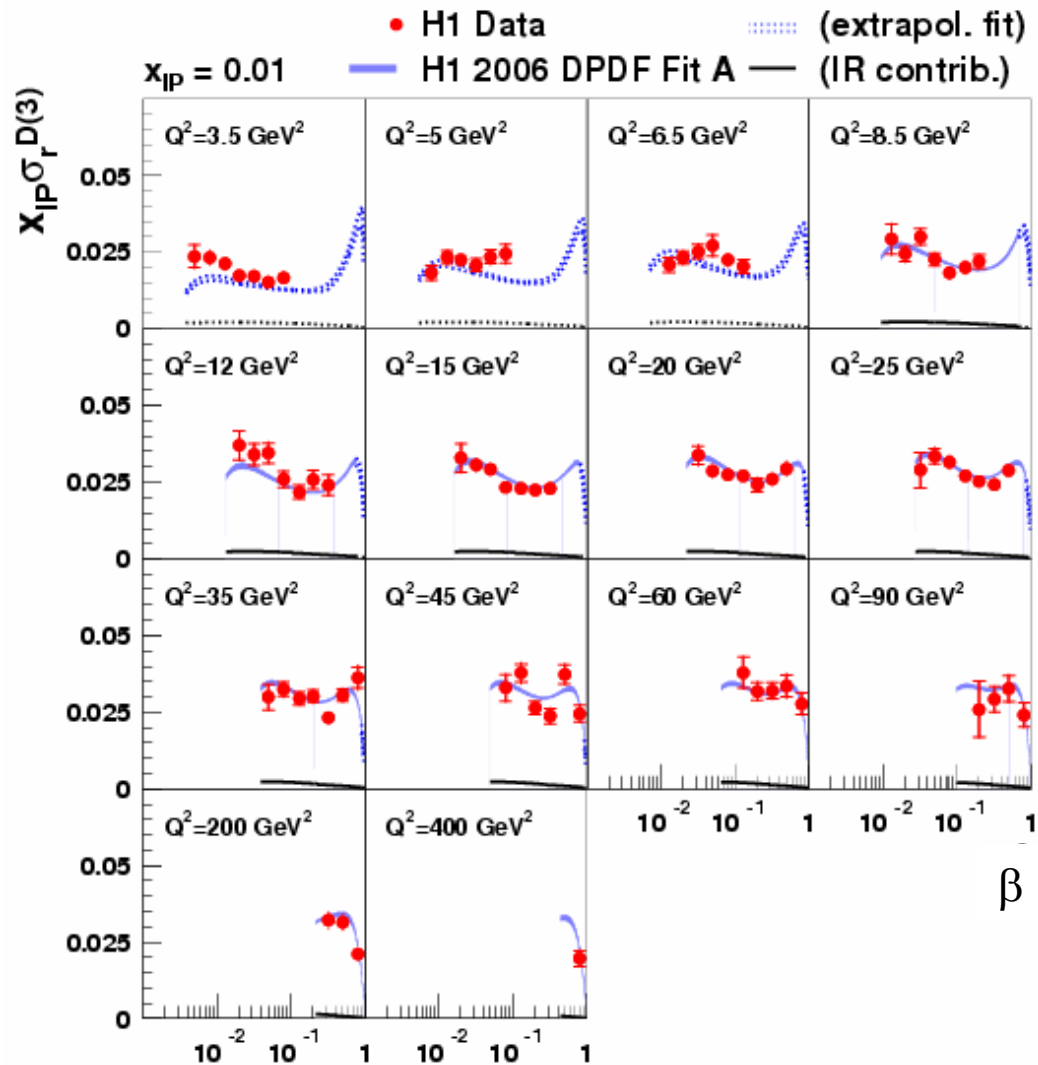
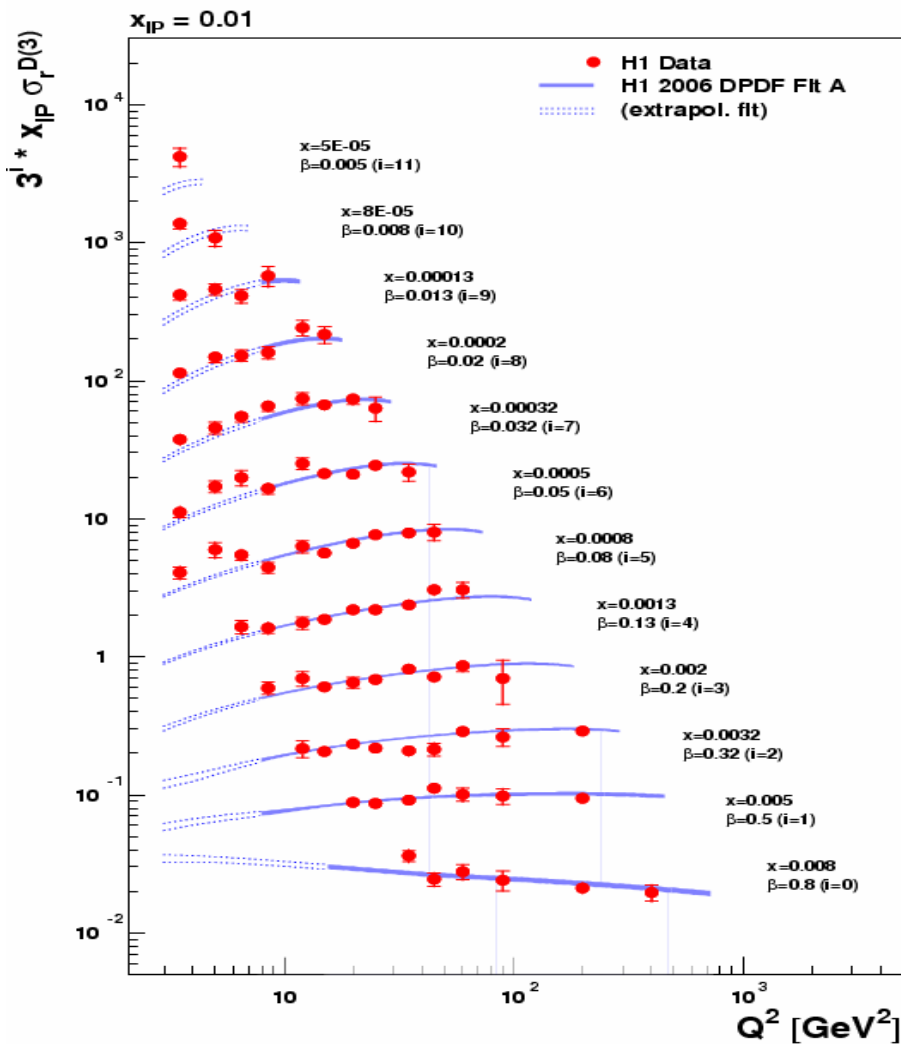
$$(x_{IP} \approx 1 - E_\gamma/E_p, \beta = x/x_{IP})$$



$$\sigma_R^D = F_2^D - \frac{Y^2}{1 + (1 - Y)^2} F_L^D$$

- large kinematic region covered $1.5 < Q^2 < 1600 \text{ GeV}^2$, large statistical precision
- fair agreement between two experiments and different selection methods
- at closer look there is a difference between the two measurements at high β

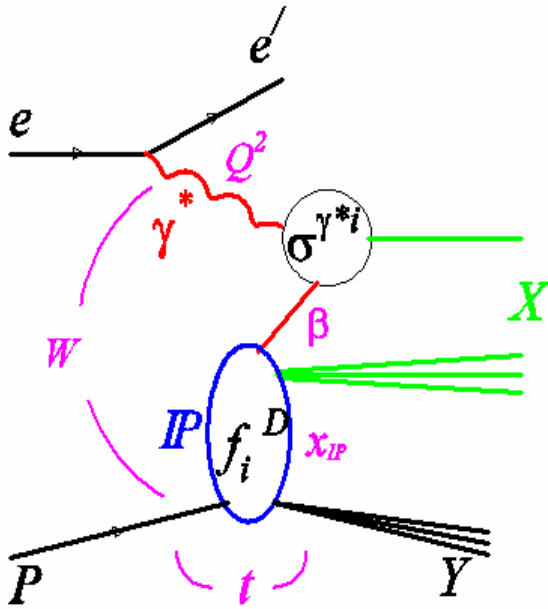
β and Q^2 dependences of diffractive structure function



- positive scaling violation (rise with Q^2) up to large $\beta \rightarrow$ different from F_2^P
- β -dependence relatively flat
- \rightarrow large gluon component

Diffractive PDFs

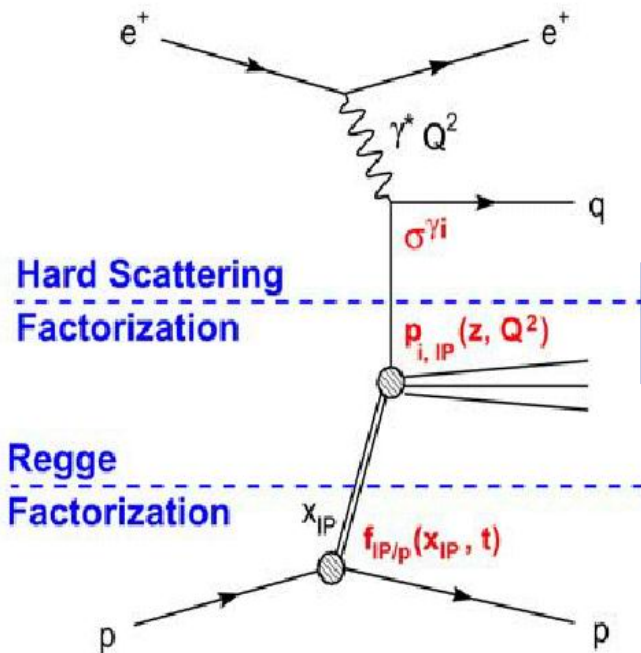
QCD factorization in diffractive DIS (Collins 1997)



$$\sigma^D(\gamma^* p \rightarrow Xp) \propto \sum_i f_{i,p}^D(x_{IP}, t, x, Q^2) \otimes \sigma^{\gamma^*,i}(x, Q^2)$$

$f_{i,IP}^D$ - diffractive parton distribution function - conditional proton parton probability distributions with final state proton at fixed x_{IP}, t

$\sigma^{\gamma^*,i}$ - universal hard scattering cross section



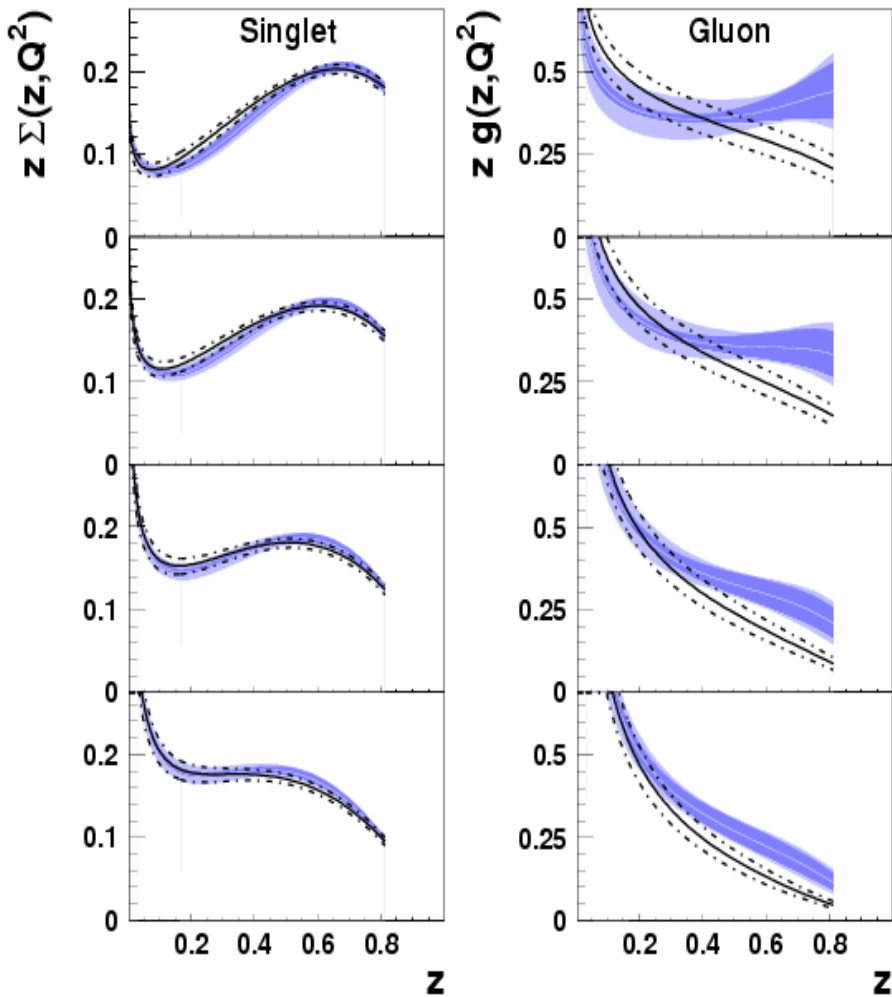
Regge factorization (assumption - no firm basis in QCD):
PDF = Pomeron-flux \times Pomeron-PDF

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

where Pomeron flux

$$f_{IP/p}(x_{IP}, t) = \frac{e^{Bt}}{x_{IP}^{2\alpha(t)-1}}, \alpha(t) = \alpha(0) + \alpha'(t)$$

Diffraction PDFs: H1 NLO QCD fit



Q^2 [GeV²]

8.5

20

90

800

- assume Regge factorization, apply NLO QCD DGLAP analysis technique to Q^2 and β dependencies of F_2^D
- quark density from F_2^D , gluon density from scaling violation

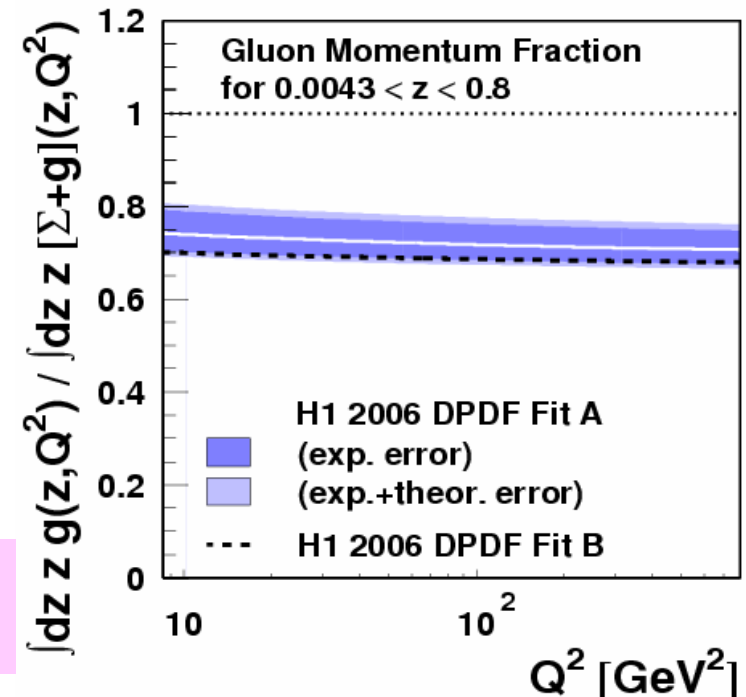
- H1 DPDFs FitA, FitB (different starting parameterizations)
- Well constrained singlet
- Weakly constrained gluons (at high β)
- low z behavior similar to F_2
- hard gluon distribution extended to high z

H1 2006 DPDF Fit A
 (exp. error)
 (exp.+theor. error)

H1 2006 DPDF Fit B
 (exp.+theor. error)

z = long. momentum fraction of exchange

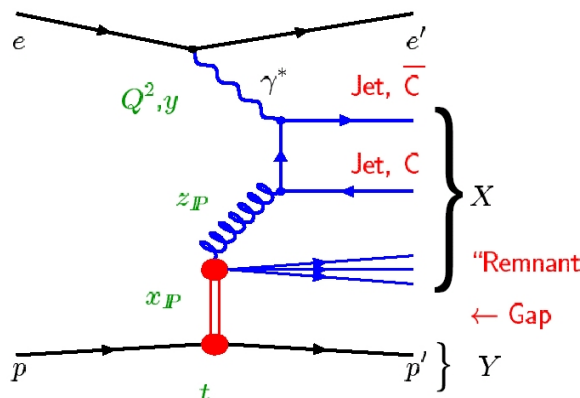
gluon carries ~70% of diffractive exchange



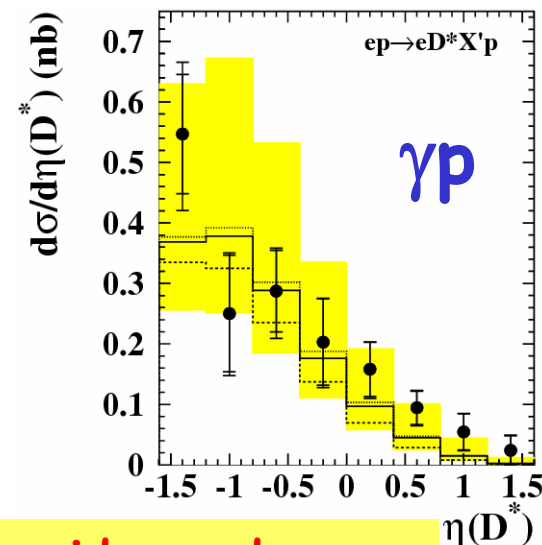
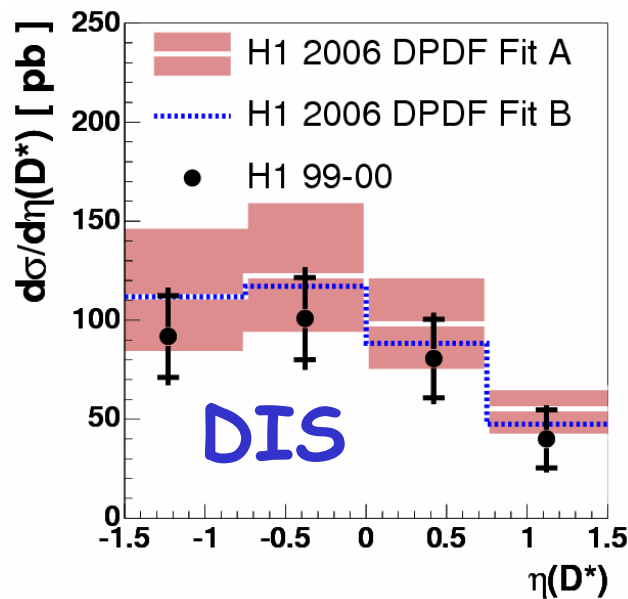
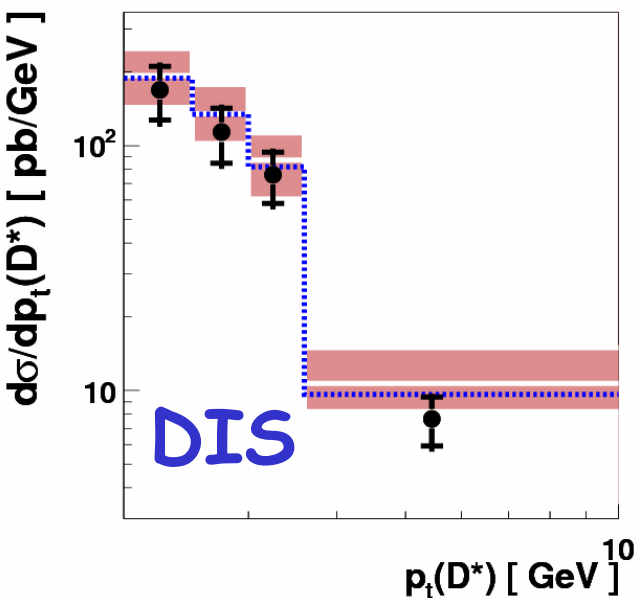
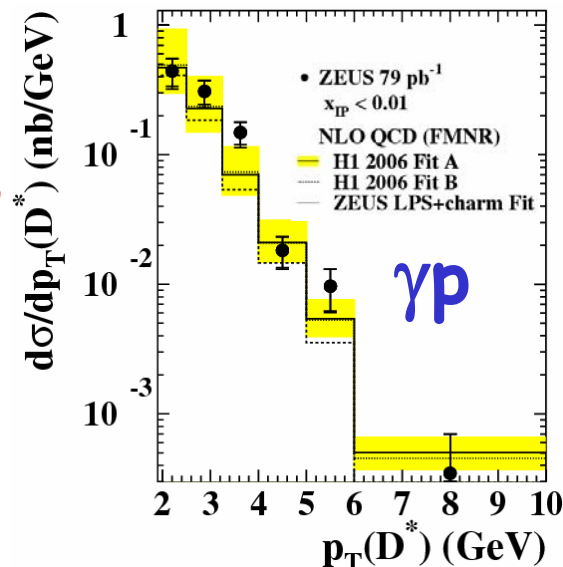
H1 2006 DPDF Fit A
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 H1 2006 DPDF Fit B

Check factorization with charm and jets in diffractive γp and DIS

- cross sections calculable in pQCD
- production mechanisms directly sensitive to the gluon content of colour singlet exchange
- can be compared to theoretical models and approaches
- constrain the gluon density



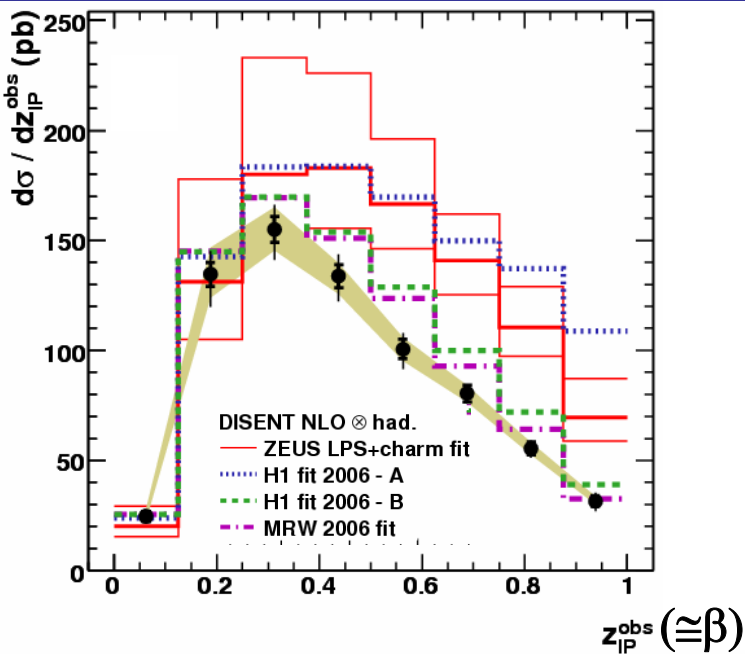
$$D^* \rightarrow K \pi \pi_s$$



NLO calculations (HVQDIS for DIS and FMNR for γp) provide good description of diffractive charm data → support QCD factorization

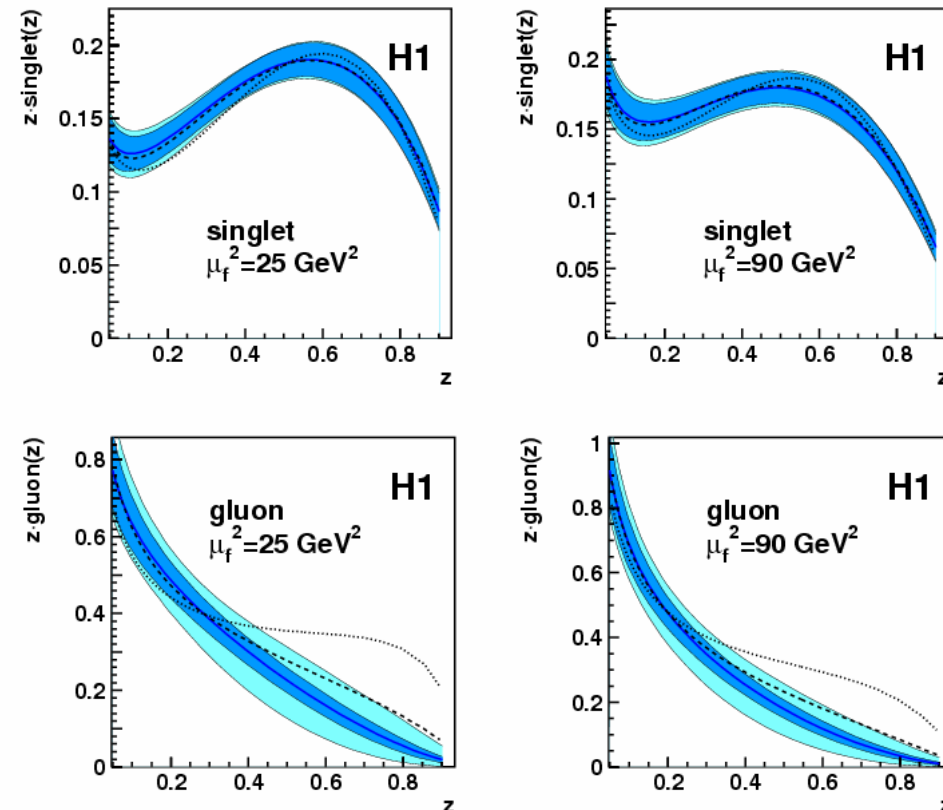
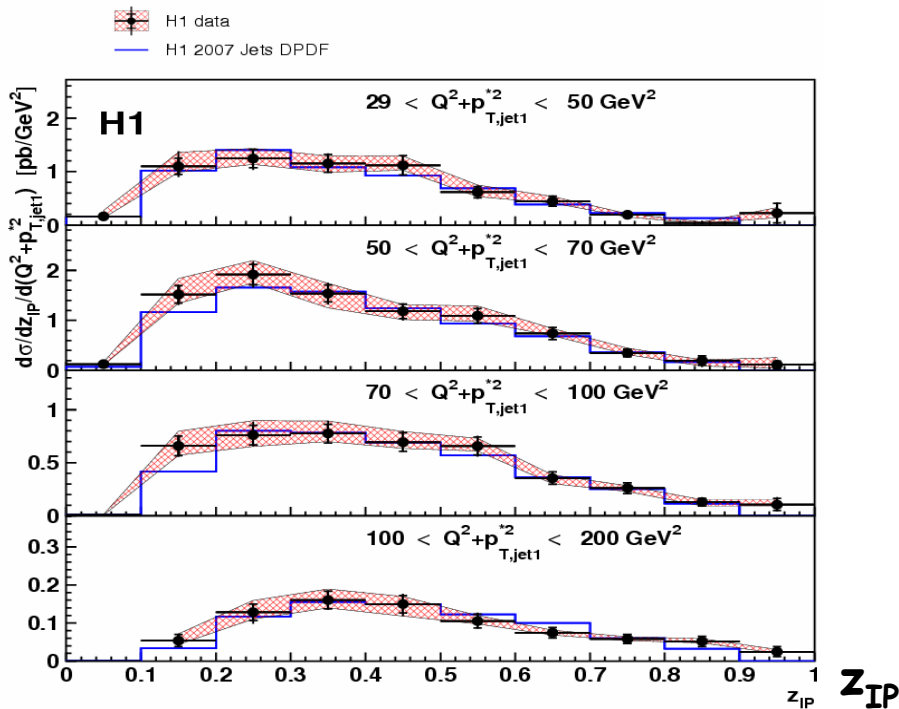
DPDFs: compare to diffractive dijets in DIS

- At low β (< 0.3) fit A and fit B similar
- At high β diffractive dijets clearly prefer fit B (less gluons)
- improve $g(\beta, Q^2)$ at high β using dijet data
- consistent with QCD factorization

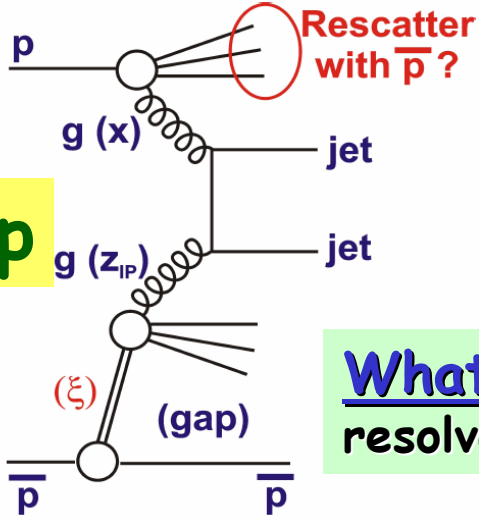


H1 2007 Jets DPDF

- H1 2007 Jets DPDF
- exp. uncertainty
- exp. + theo. uncertainty
- H1 2006 DPDF fit A
- H1 2006 DPDF fit B



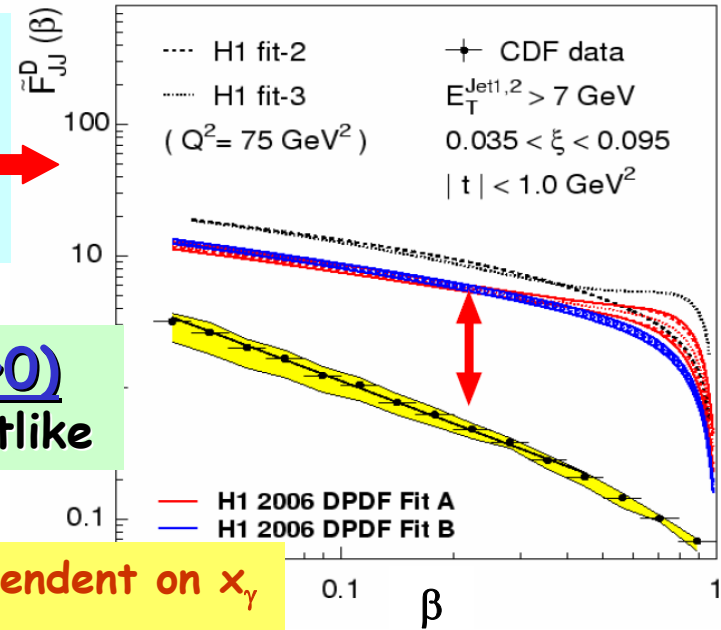
Diffraction jet photoproduction - does QCD factorization hold ?



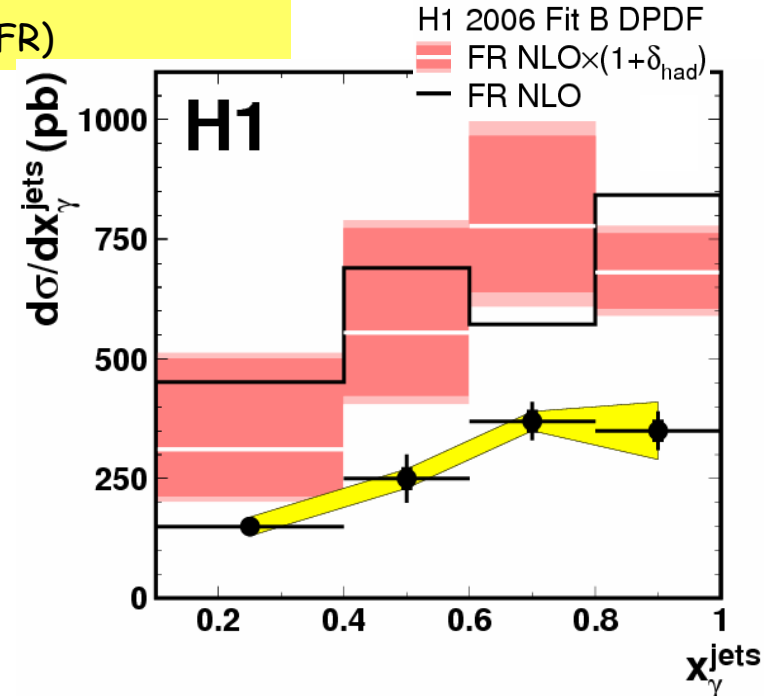
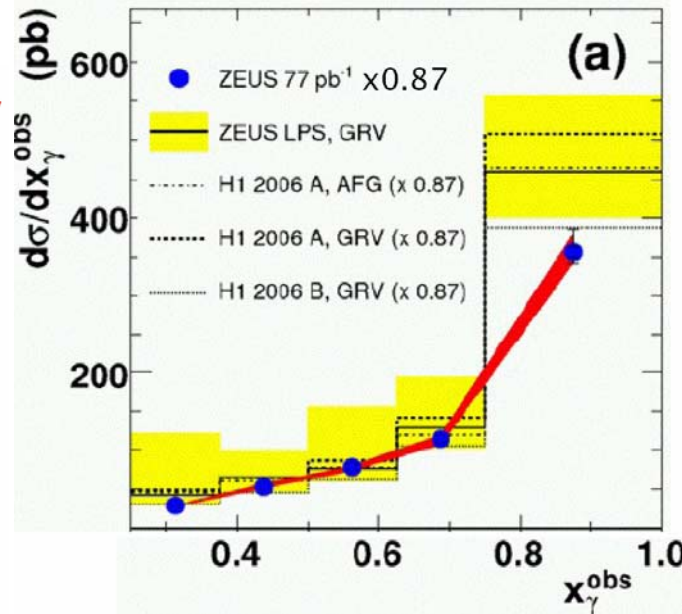
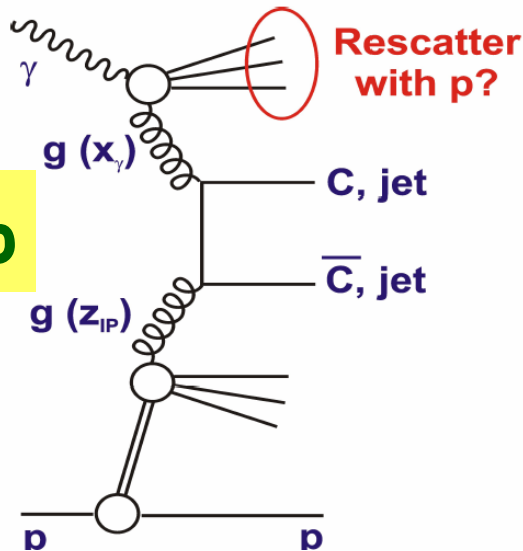
Factorization not expected to hold in pp scattering

'gap survival probability' ~ 0.1

What about γ -p scattering? ($Q^2 \sim 0$)
resolved γ - like hadron, direct γ - pointlike

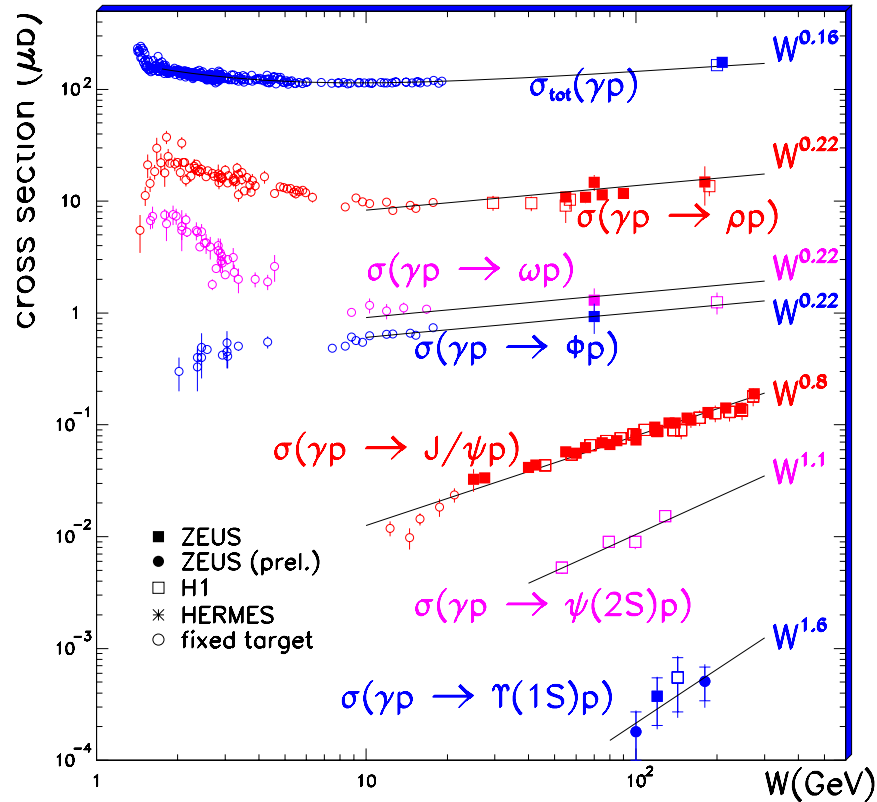


-H1-data vs NLO (Frixione, Ridolfi) \rightarrow suppression ~ 0.5 , independent on x_γ
 -ZEUS-data vs NLO (Klasen, Kramer) \rightarrow suppression ~ 0.8
 difference between H1/ZEUS results may be due to differences in jet cuts (H1- $E_T > 5$ GeV, ZEUS- $E_T > 7.5$ GeV) or in NLO calculations (KK vs FR)



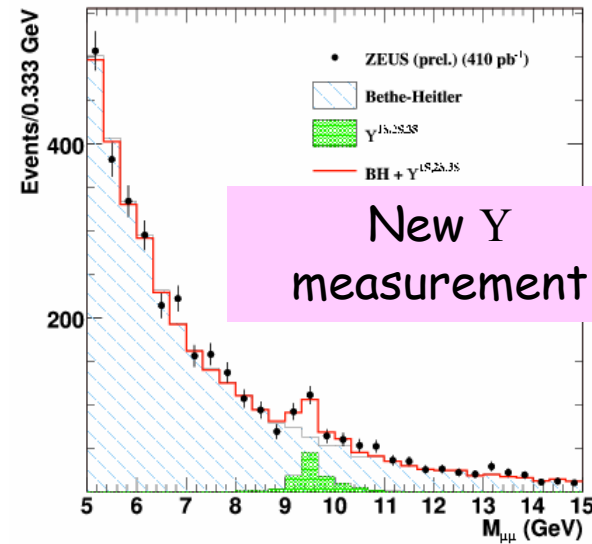
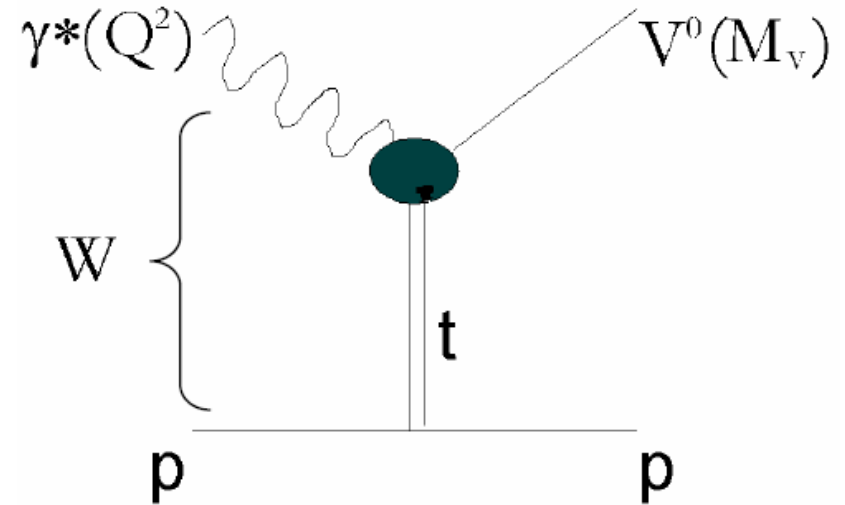
Elastic Vector Meson production

$$\gamma^* p \rightarrow V^0 + p \quad (V^0 = \rho, \phi, J/\psi, Y)$$



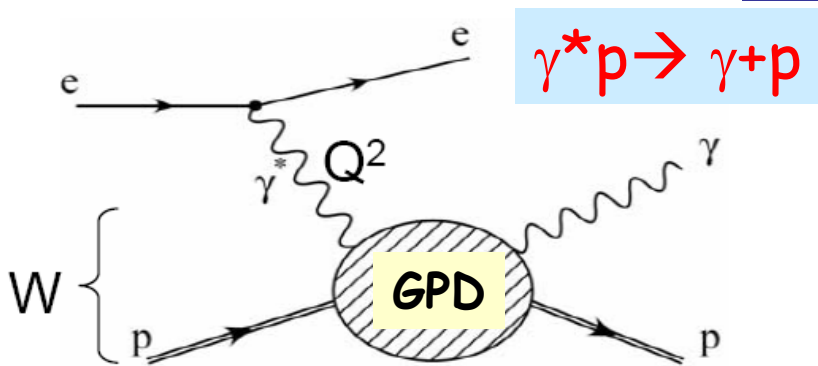
Energy dependence: $\sigma(W) \propto W^\delta$

W is sensitive to gluons
 $\rightarrow \delta$ increases from 'soft' (~ 0.2) to 'hard' (~ 0.8)

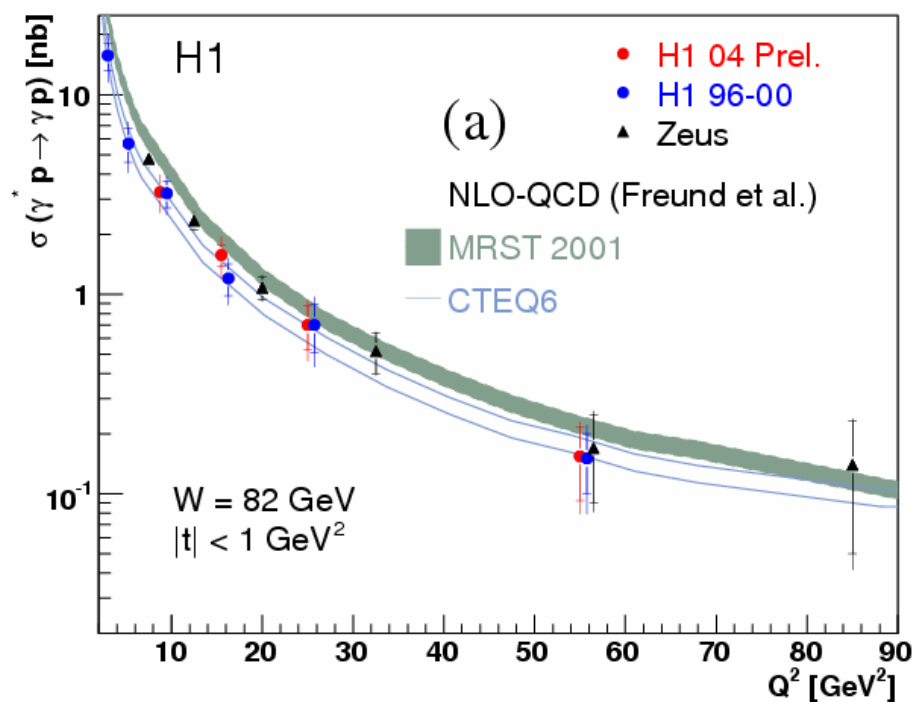
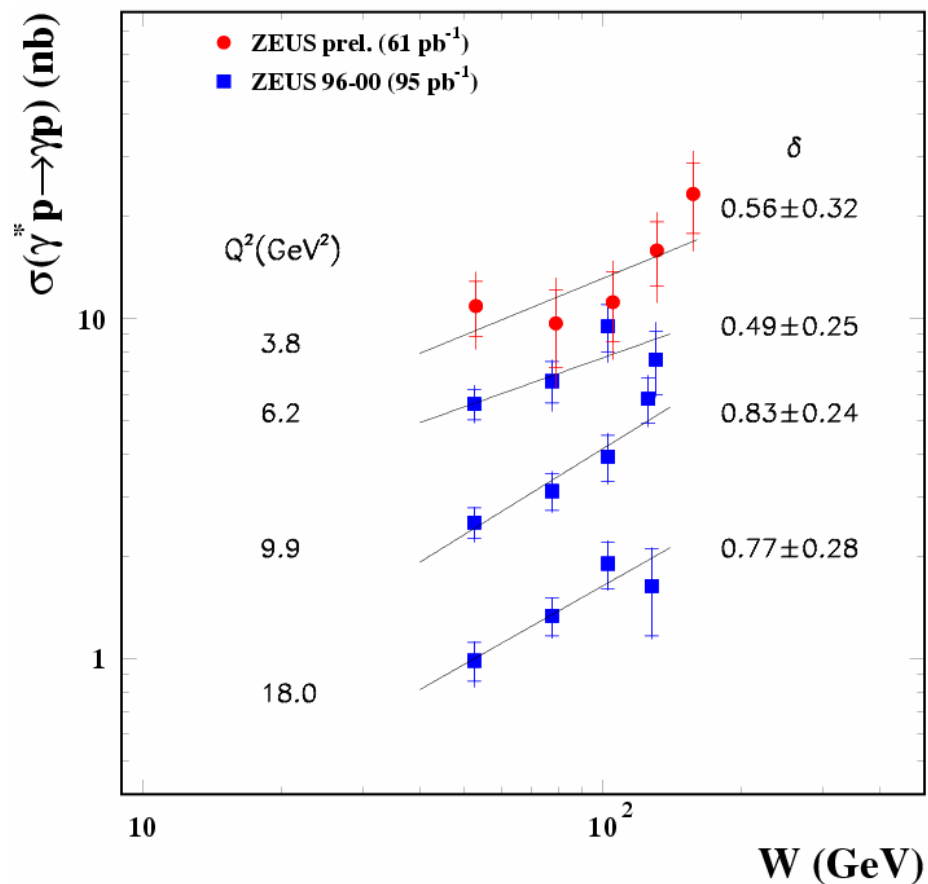


VM mass sets hard scale of interaction
 Process becomes hard (steeper W dependence) as scale becomes larger

Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)

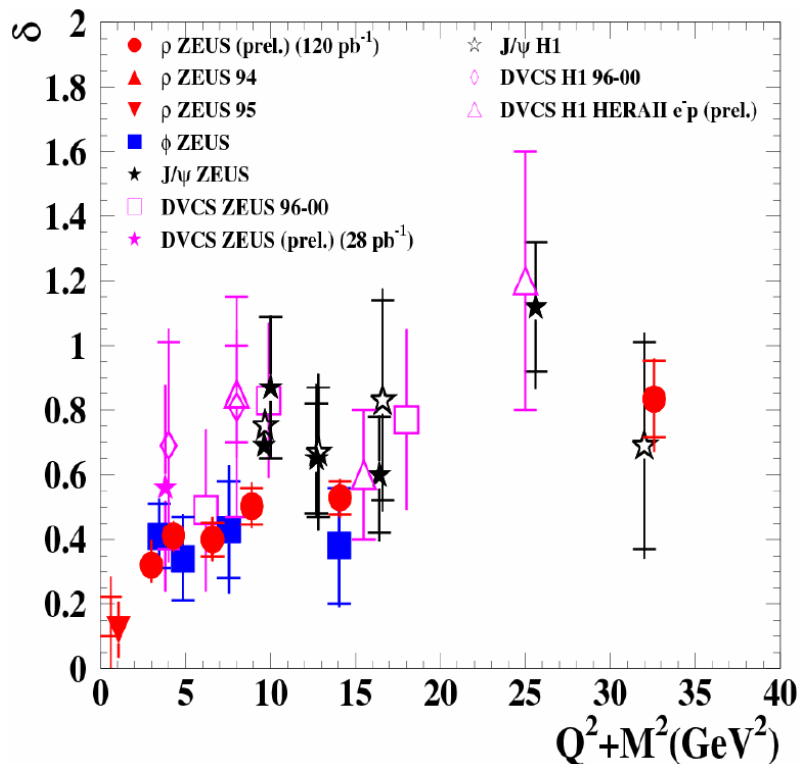


- Elastic scattering of virtual photon off a proton
- clean experimental signature, fully calculable in QCD
- sensitive to generalized parton distributions (GPD)

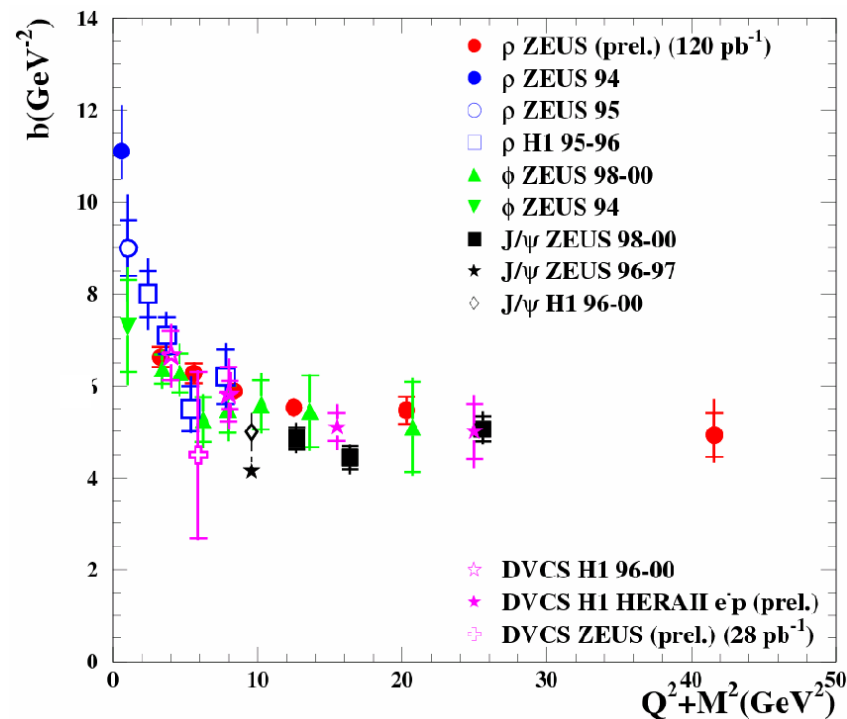


- steep rise with energy
- good description by NLO QCD models

Elastic VM production- energy dependence, t-slope



$$\sigma(W) \propto W^\delta$$



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \propto e^{-b|t|}$$

- Expect δ to increase from 'soft' (~ 0.2) to 'hard' (~ 0.8)
- b characterize the size of interaction, expect b to decrease from 'soft' to 'hard'

W dependence - process becomes hard as scales (VM mass or Q^2) become larger

b-slope size of scattered VM getting smaller with $Q^2 + M^2$

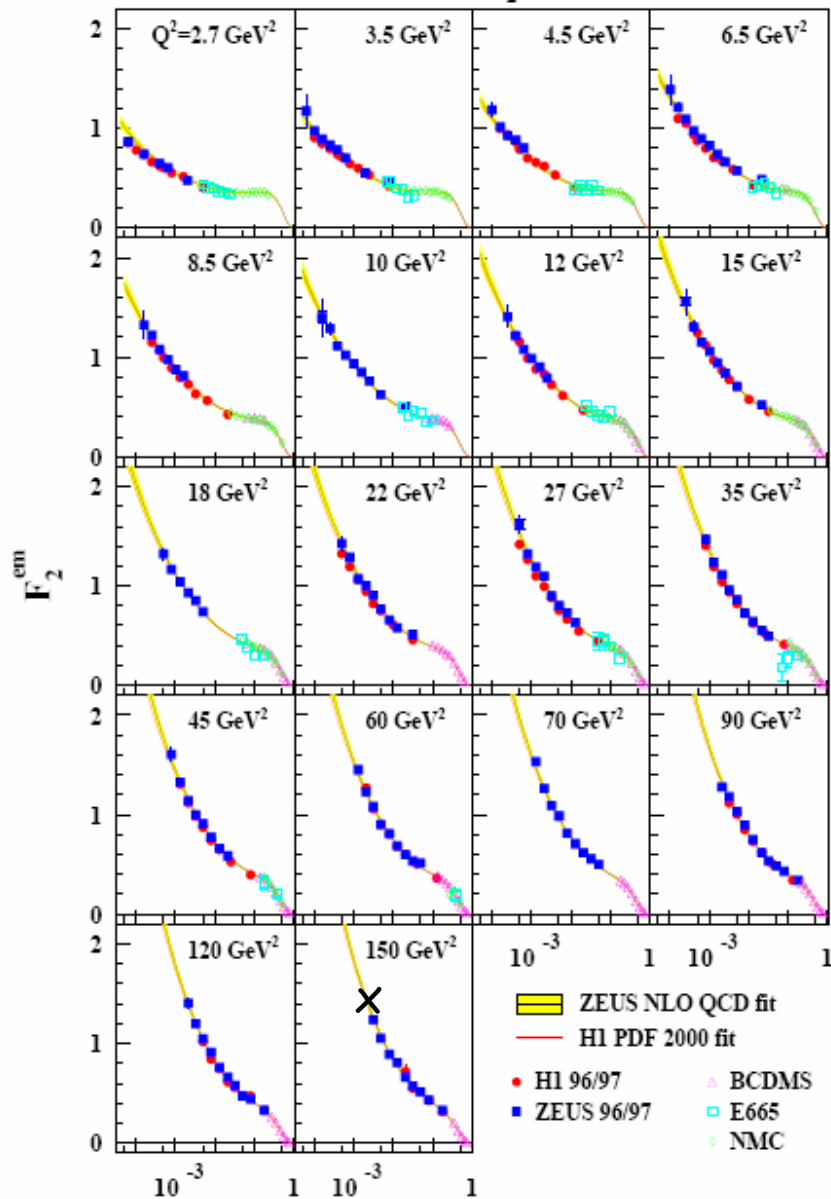
\rightarrow transverse extension of hard gluons in proton $r_g \sim 0.6$ fm, compared to charge radius of the proton ~ 0.8 fm

Summary

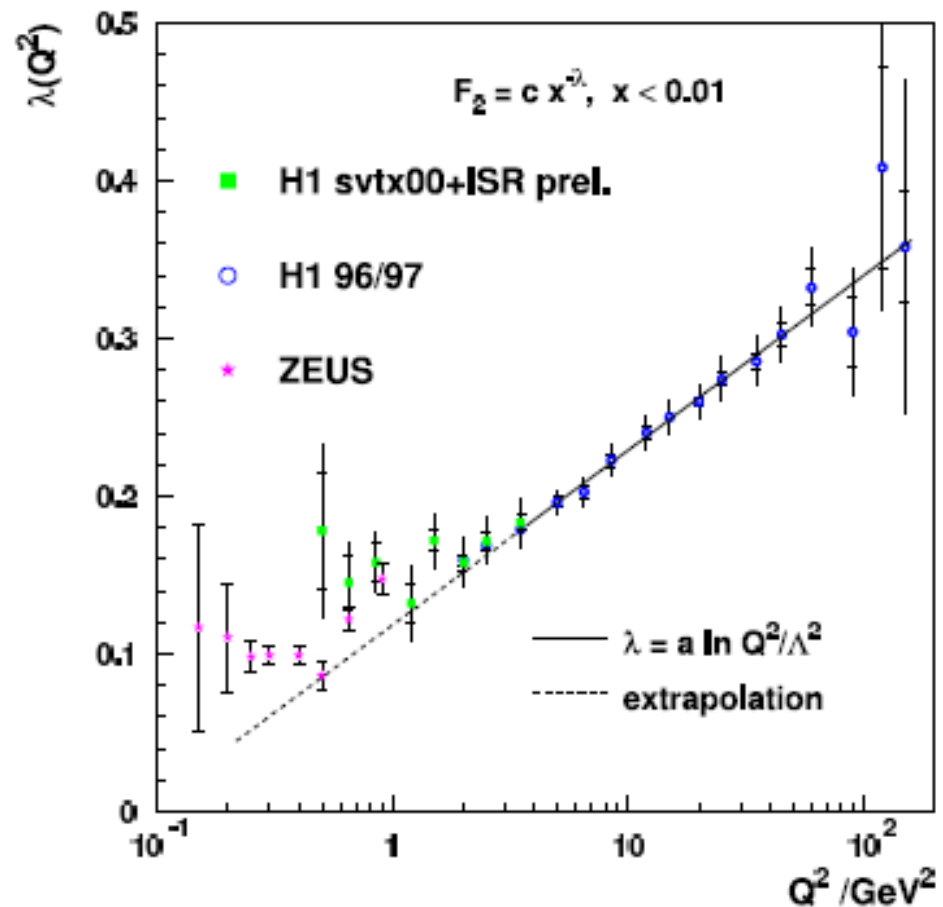
- 30.06.2007 - end of unique machine
An integrated luminosity of 1 fb^{-1} was taken by both H1 and ZEUS experiments together during the 15 years of HERA
- High precision and extended kinematic reach:
 - new constraints on proton structure: gluon density, charm and beauty
 - new HERA precision α_S
- Wealth of new jet and heavy flavour data from HERA available
 - need theoretical calculations to higher order
- The partonic structure of diffraction is measured with improved precision and extended kinematical range
diffractive PDFs extracted from the NLO fits to the data:
QCD factorization, NLO DGLAP evolution, dominated by gluons
- New phase of H1 and ZEUS mutual collaboration: combined data, structure functions, α_S , ...
- HERA has a reach program that should be completed.
Precision measurements at HERA provide crucial input for LHC physics !
- Many more results to come !

Cross section measurements at low x

HERA F_2



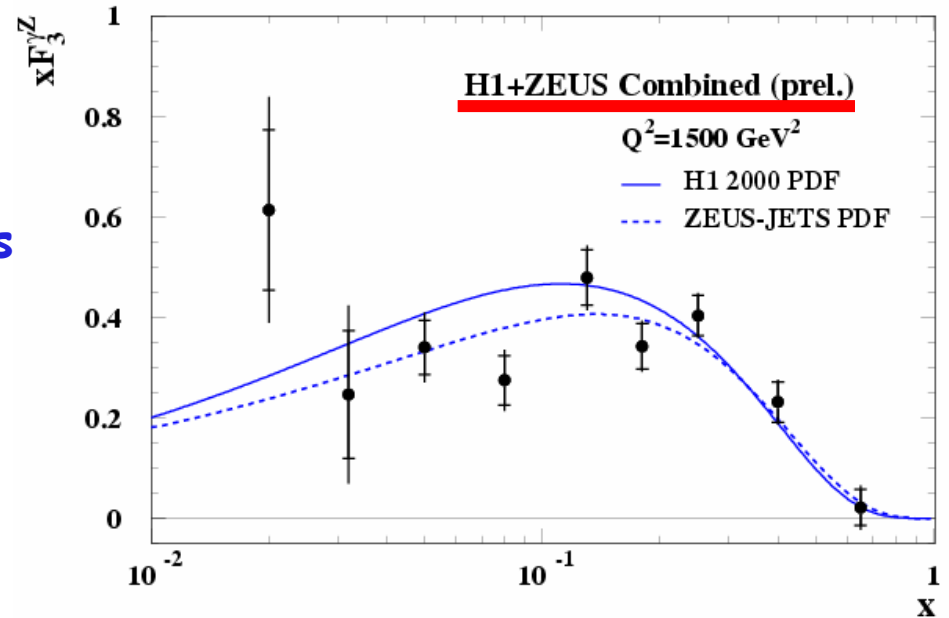
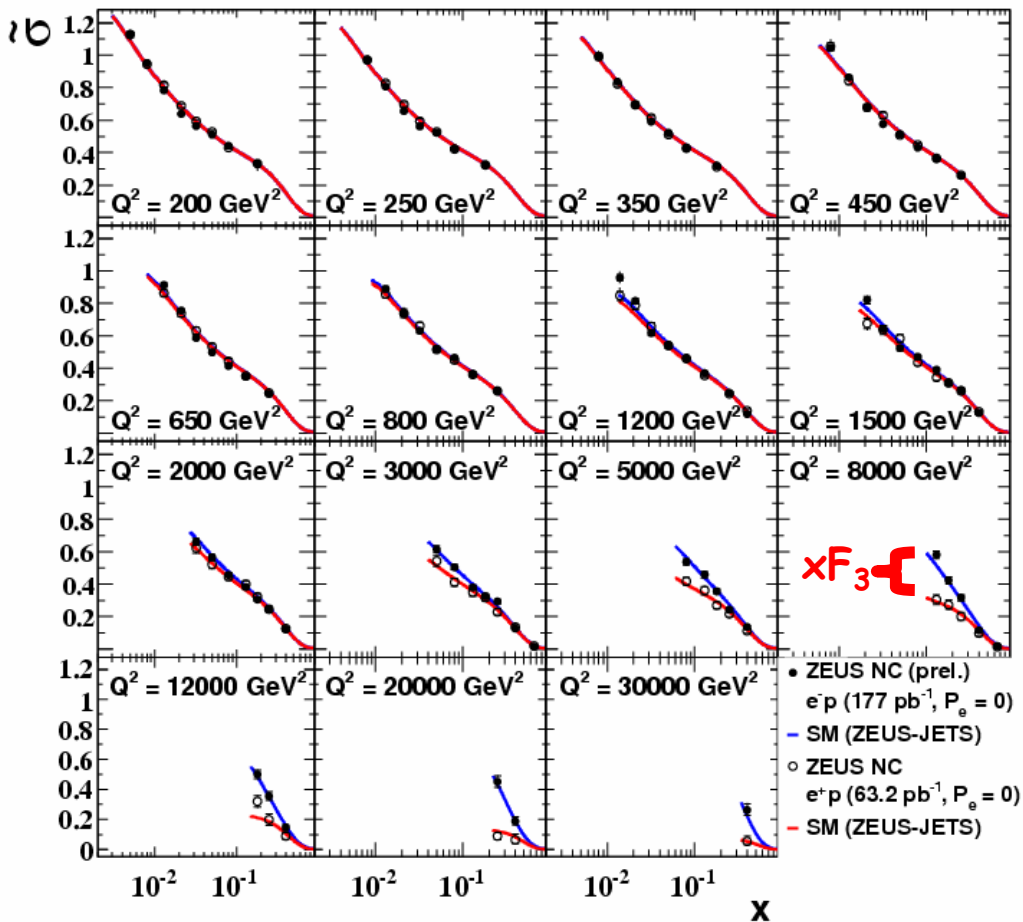
For each Q^2 bin a fit $F=cx^{-\lambda}$ is performed to quantify the rise



Valence quarks and $x F_3$

Large increase of e^-p high Q^2 data with HERA-2 allows to improve precision of the F_3 structure function

→ Add to the knowledge of valence quarks in the proton ($x < 0.1$)



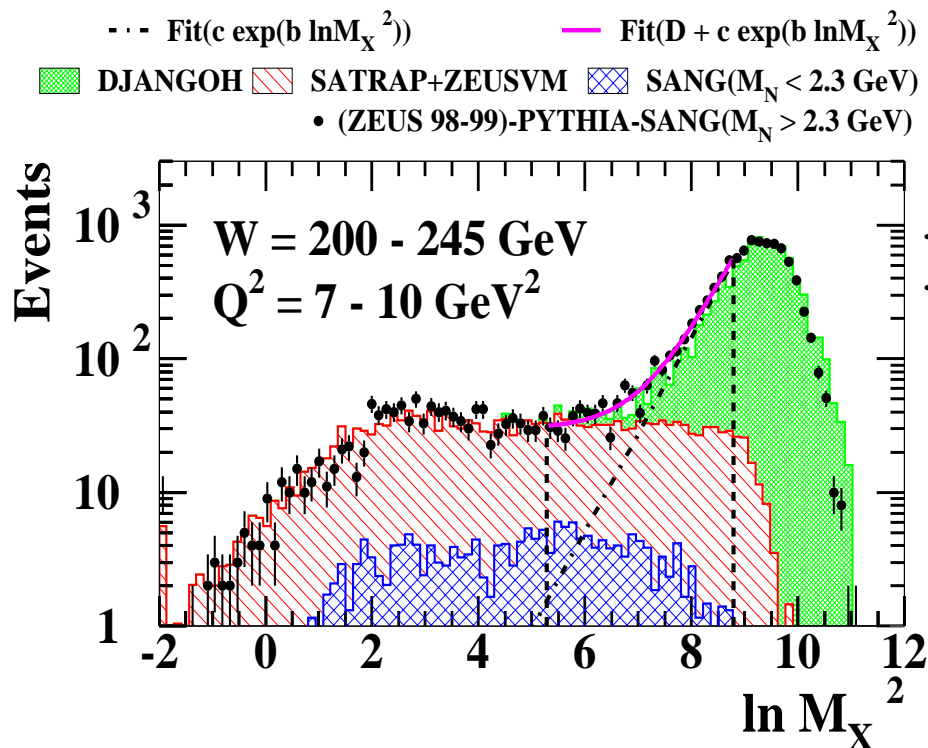
$$\tilde{\sigma}_{NC}(e^\pm p) \sim Y_+ F_2 \mp Y_- x F_3$$

$$x F_3 \sim \sigma(e^- p) - \sigma(e^+ p)$$

no-enhancement for low x

Diffraction at HERA - event selection methods

- **'Leading proton' method (LPS)**- scattered proton detected in 'Roman Pots' (LPS,FPS) free of p-diss.background, t and x_{IP} measurement, but low acceptance/statistics
- **'Large Rapidity Gap' method (LRG)**
 t is not measured, some p-diss. background (for H1 measurements $M_Y < 1.6$ GeV)
- **' M_X ' method**- non-diffractive contribution subtracted from fit to M_X distribution
 t is not measured, some p-diss. background (for ZEUS measurements $M_Y < 2.3$ GeV)



$$\frac{dN}{d \ln M_X^2} = D + c \cdot \exp(b \cdot \ln M_X^2)$$

- exponential rise with M_X for non-diffr. events
- flat behavior vs $\ln M_X^2$ for diffractive events