

# DIS charm cross sections through $D^*$ and $D$ meson tagging by the ZEUS detector

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# ZEUS in HERA II

## ■ HERA II luminosity upgrade

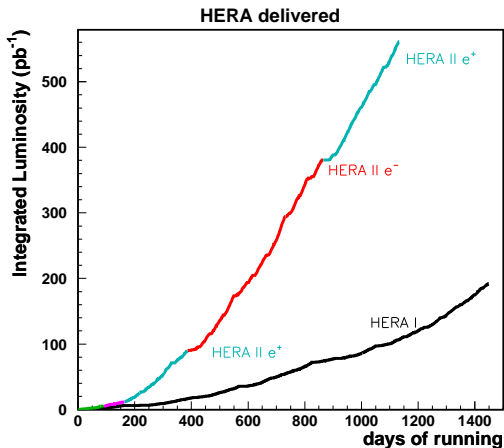
$p$  920 GeV

$e^{\pm}$  27.6 GeV

$\sqrt{s} \approx 320$  GeV

## ■ ZEUS detector upgrades

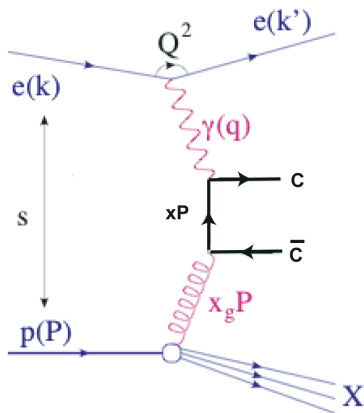
- trigger
- microvertex detector
- forward tracking



# Charm Production in DIS at HERA

## Charm Production

- dominant process: boson gluon fusion
- large charm fraction
- can measure open charm contribution to  $F_2$
- sensitive to proton gluon density
- $0.05 < Q^2 < 1000 \text{ GeV}$ ;  
 $p_T(D) > 1.5 \text{ GeV}$



# Covered Measurements

## HERA I results

- Measurement of  $D^{*\pm}$  Production in Deep Inelastic  $e^+p$  Scattering at HERA, Physical Review D 69 0120004(2004)
- Measurement of  $D^{*\pm}$  Meson Production in  $e^+p$  Scattering at Low  $Q^2$ , published online in Physics Letters B
- Measurement of D Mesons Production in Deep Inelastic Scattering at HERA, paper almost ready

## HERA II preliminary results

- Charm Production in DIS using HERA II Data (ICHEP06), ZEUS-prel-06-021
- $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$  from  $D^{*\pm}$

# HERA II $D^*$ Cross Section Measurement

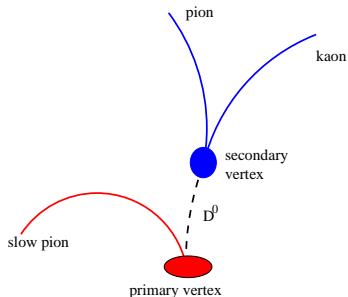
## Kinematic Region

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

## Selection of $D^*$ candidates

$D^{*+}(2010) \rightarrow D^0\pi^+$  (BR: 67.7) % with  
 $D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$  (BR: 3.8) %

- $|\eta| < 1.75$  (candidate tracks)
- $p_T > 0.4 \text{ GeV}$  (track from  $D^0$ )
- $p_T > 0.12 \text{ GeV}$  (slow pion from  $D^*$ )



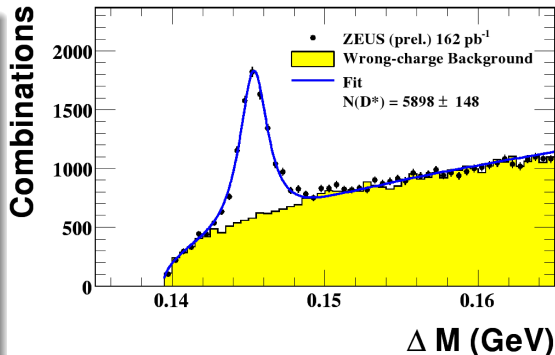
# D Meson Tagging

## $D^0$ tagging

- use  $\Delta M$ , correlated errors cancel
- determine signal in window

$$0.143 < \Delta M < 0.148 \text{ GeV}$$

- use wrong charge combinations to estimate background



# HERA I $D^*$ Cross Section Measurement at low $Q^2$

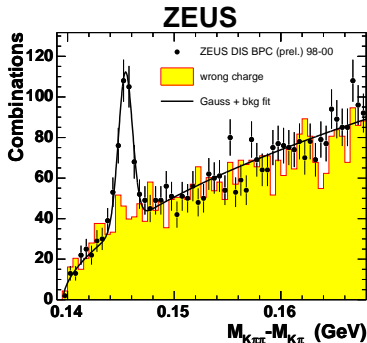
## Kinematic Region

- $0.05 < Q^2 < 0.7 \text{ GeV}^2$  using beampipe calorimeter
- $0.02 < y < 0.85$
- $|\eta(D^*)| < 1.5$
- $1.5 < p_T(D^*) < 9 \text{ GeV}$

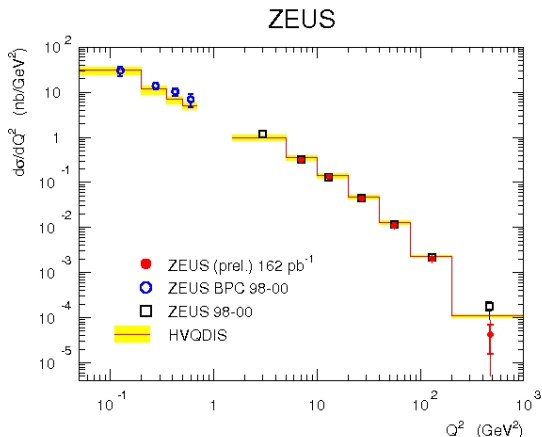
## Selection of $D^*$ candidates

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 $D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$  (BR: 3.8) %

- $p_T > 0.45 \text{ GeV}$  (track from  $D^0$ )
- $p_T > 0.12 \text{ GeV}$  (slow pion from  $D^*$ )



# Charm Cross Section over $Q^2$



## Theory

- NLO QCD: HVQDIS (B.W. Harris, J. Smith)
- fixed-flavor-number-scheme
- two scales:  $m_c$  and  $Q^2$
- $\mu = \sqrt{Q^2 + 4m_c^2}$

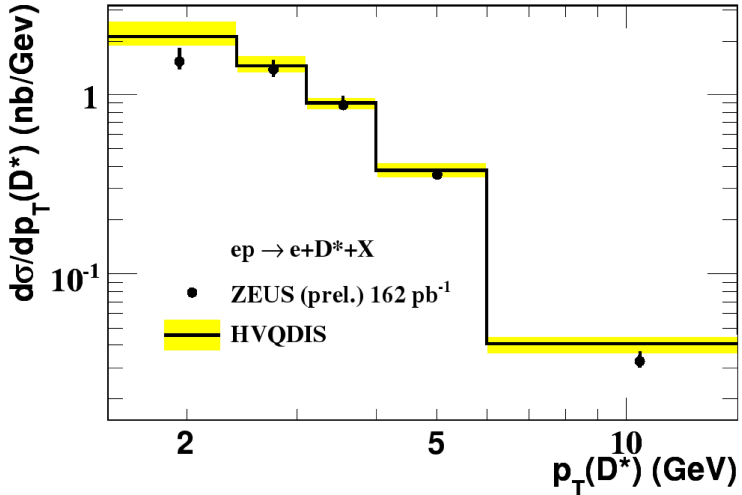
Large  $Q^2$  region covered

Good agreement with HERA I measurement and massive theory  
HVQDIS



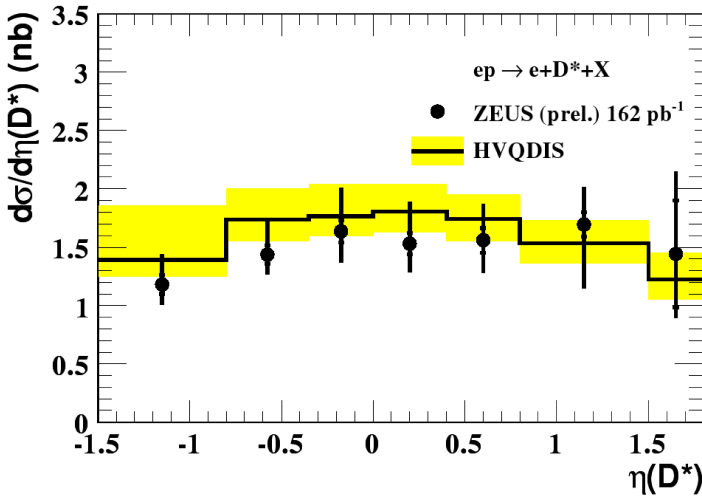
# Differential Cross Sections: $p_T$

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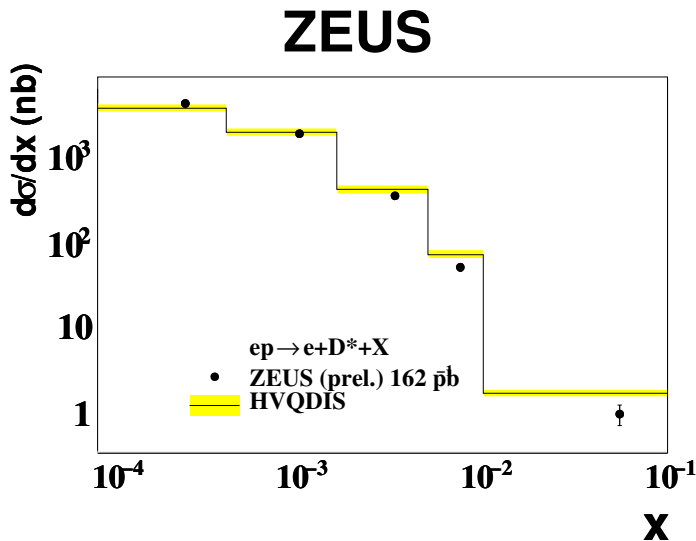


# Differential Cross Sections: $\eta$

## ZEUS



# Differential Cross Sections: $x$



# HERA I D Meson Cross Section Measurements

## Decay Modes

- $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$
- $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
- $D_s^+ \rightarrow \Phi \pi^+$  with  $\Phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$

## Kinematic Region

- $1.5 < Q_e^2 < 1000 \text{ GeV}^2$
- $0.02 < y < 0.7$
- $|\eta(D)| < 1.6$
- $p_T(D^0, D^\pm) > 3 \text{ GeV}, p_T(D_s^\pm) > 2 \text{ GeV}$



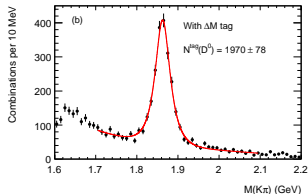
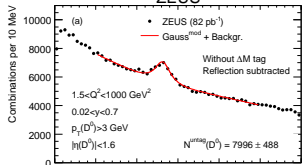
# HERA I D Meson Signals

$$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$$

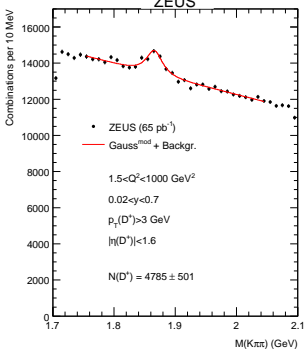
$$D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$$

$$D_s^+ \rightarrow \Phi \pi^+$$

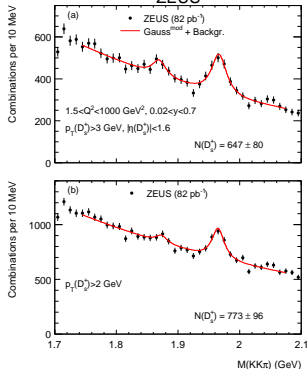
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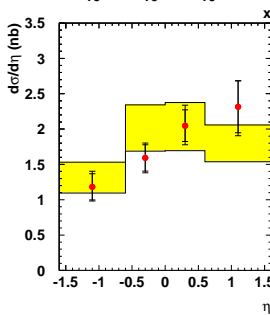
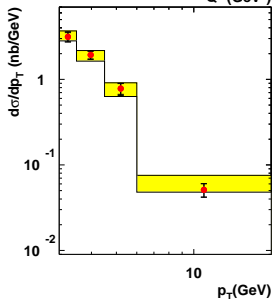
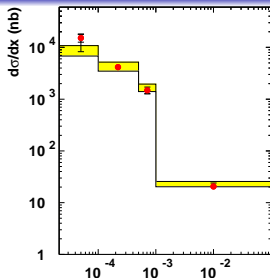
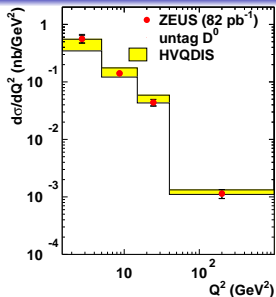


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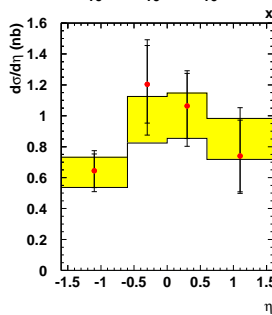
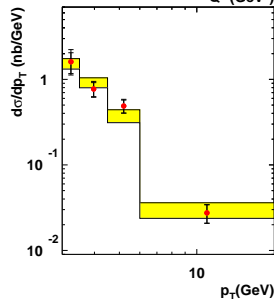
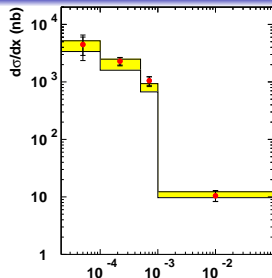
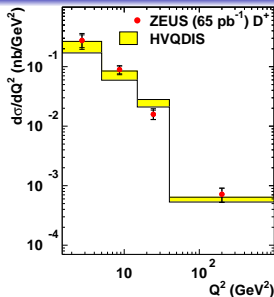




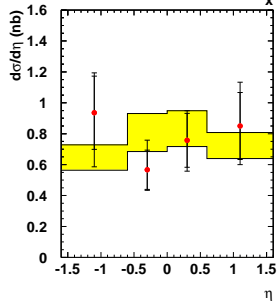
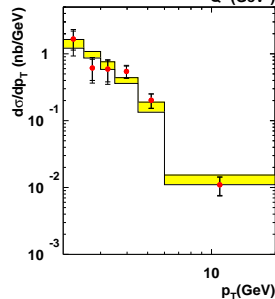
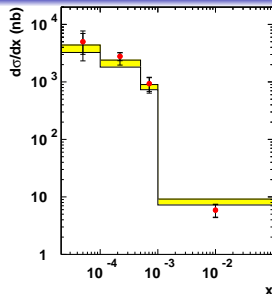
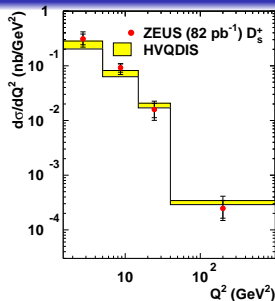
# Untagged $D^0$ in HERA I



# $D^\pm$ in HERA I



# $D_S^\pm$ in HERA I





# Extraction of $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$

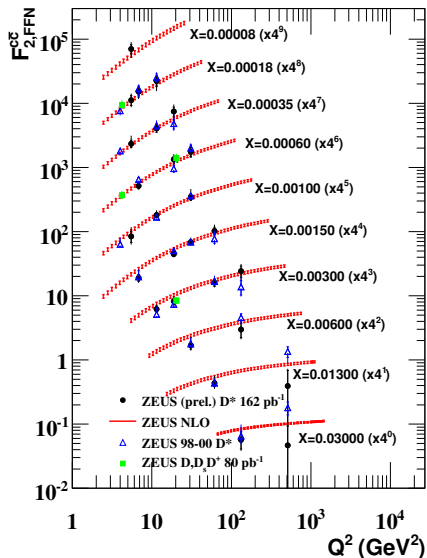
## Inclusive double-differential $c\bar{c}$ cross section

$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{c\bar{c}}(x, Q^2)}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} [1 + (1-y)^2] F_2^{c\bar{c}}(x, Q^2)$$

## Extract Open Charm Contribution

- charm cross section extrapolated from  $D$  meson measurement (known fragmentation fraction)
- $F_{2, meas}^{c\bar{c}}(x, Q^2) = \frac{\sigma_{meas}(ep \rightarrow DX)}{\sigma_{theo}(ep \rightarrow DX)} F_{2, theo}^{c\bar{c}}(x, Q^2)$
- cross sections from  $D$  meson measurement region extrapolated to full  $p_T$  and  $\eta$  phase space using HVQDIS

# ZEUS



Good agreement  
between HERA I and  
HERA II and with and  
NLO

# Conclusions and Outlook

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- charm production in DIS measured over large range of  $Q^2$
- first ZEUS  $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$  measurement using HERA II data via  $D^*$  with larger statistics than HERA I
- overall good agreement between HERA I and HERA II and with massive theory HVQDIS
- working on combination of HERA I and II results for  $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$