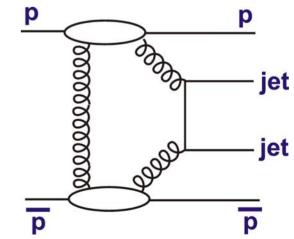


- Searching for central exclusive diffractive production
- (Apologies for many topics omitted in these personally selected highlights)



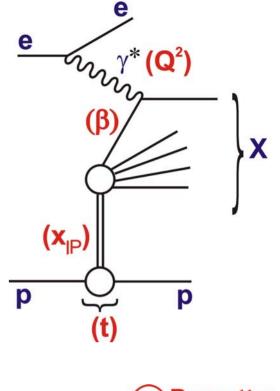
## "Inclusive Diffraction" (SD)

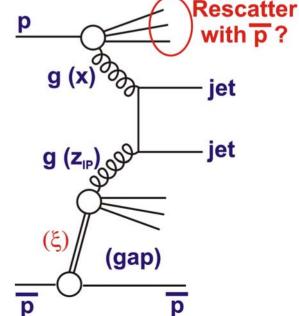
e.g. ep  $\rightarrow$  eXp, pp  $\rightarrow$  Xp ... ...characterised by multiple particle production in diffractive system X

- t = squared 4-mom. transfer to proton
- **×<sub>IP</sub> (ξ)** = fractional proton mom. loss (mom. frac. IP/p)
- β (z<sub>IP</sub>) = fraction of total exchanged mom. entering hard scatter (mom. frac. q / IP or g / IP)

Typically 10% @ HERA, 1% @ Tevatron

... rapidity gap survival factors ~0.1 (soft rescattering / underlying event)

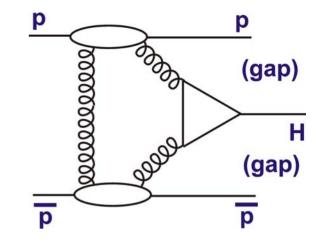




# "Central Exclusive Production"

e.g.  $pp \rightarrow ppH$ both protons remain intact

Higgs or other O<sup>+</sup> state could be produced exclusively at LHC with



very good  $m_H$  constraint from measured proton energy losses.

"KMR" perturbative calculation (Khoze et al., hep-ex/0507040) - Visible LHC cross section ~3 fb for  $M_{H}$  = 120 GeV

- Includes 3% gap survival probability
- "factor 2.5 uncertainty"

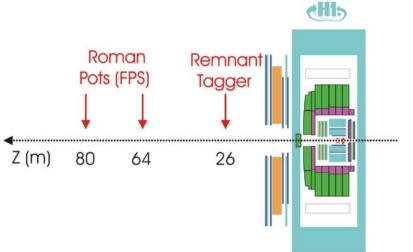
Central Exclusive control channels with much higher cross sections at Tevatron ... jets, photons

Linked to inclusive channels via gap survival & backgrounds

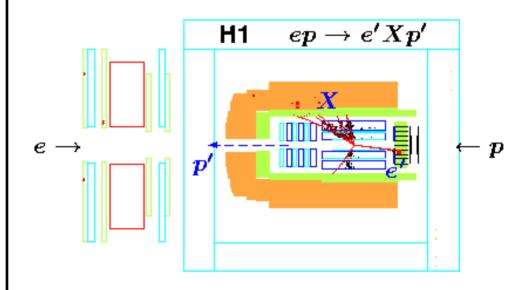
### Selection Methods

Ideally, measure final state proton directly ...

Roman Pot' inserts to
beampipe (e.g. H1
Forward Proton
Spectrometer')

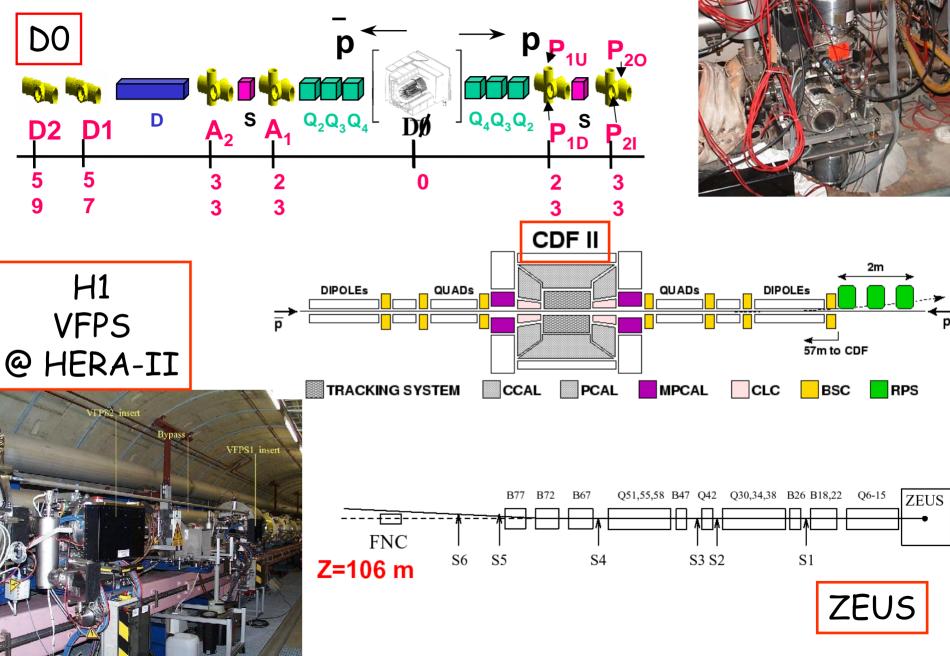


Unambiguous final state proton, but limited statistics Alternatively identify `Large Rapidity Gap' (empty detectors) adjacent to outgoing (untagged) proton

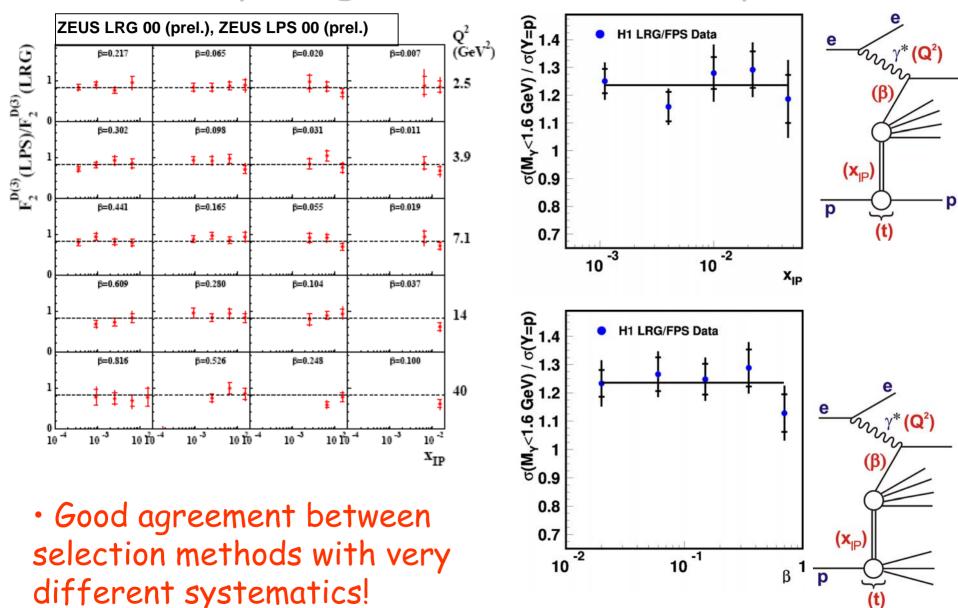


Good statistics, but systematics associated with missing proton

# Roman Pots / Fwd Instrumentation

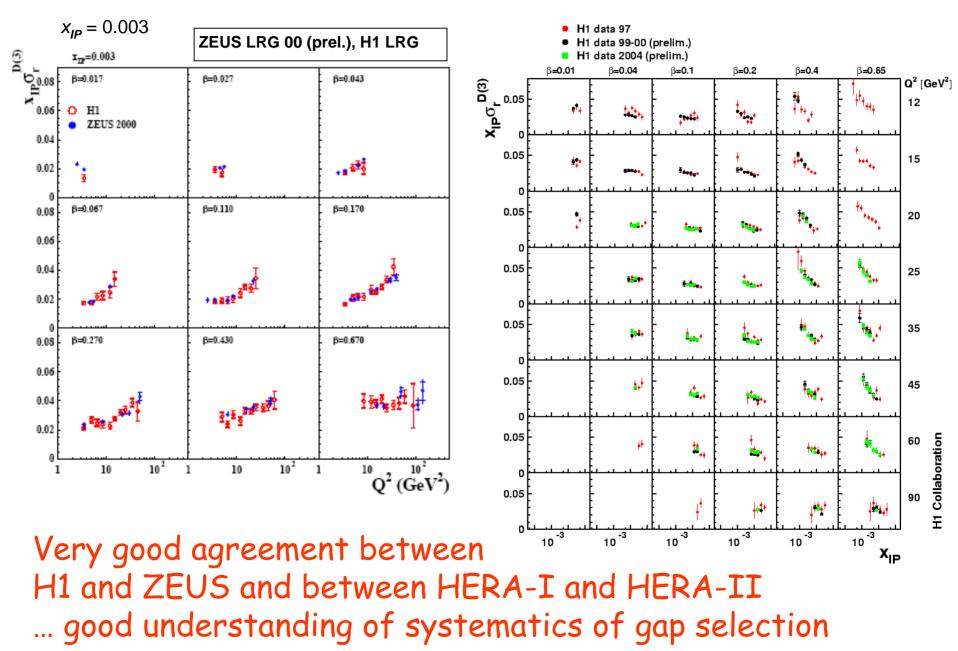


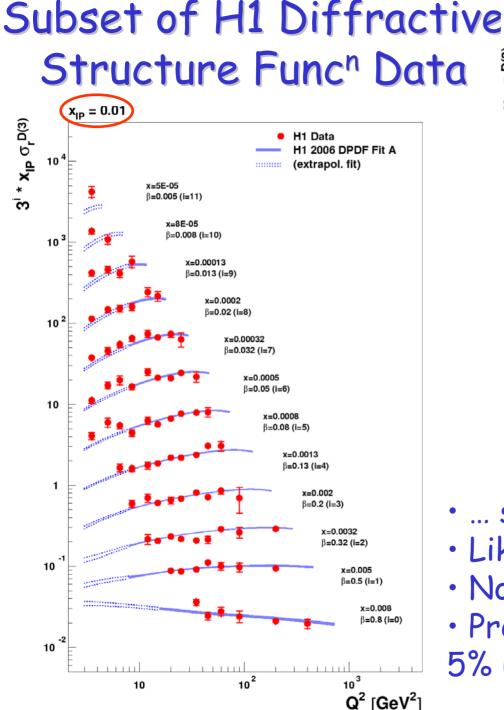
## HERA: Comparing Roman Pot with Gap Methods

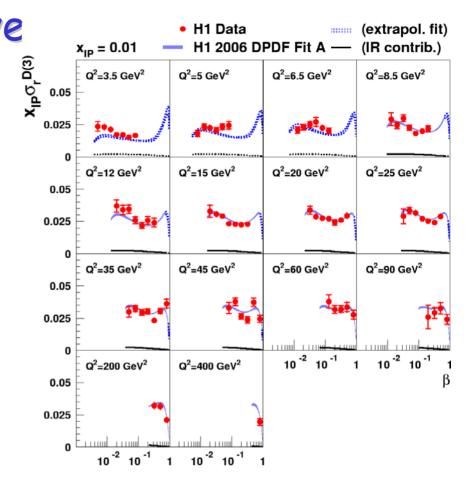


~20% norm. differences (proton diss<sup>n</sup> contributions)

## **Comparing Different Gap Method Samples**





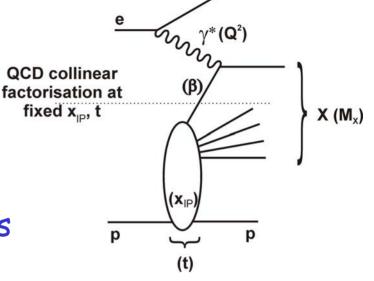


- ... similar at 4 more  $x_{IP}$  values
- Like an  $F_2$  ( $\beta$ ,  $Q^2$ ) in each case
- Now reaching  $Q^2 = 1600 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Precision in best regions ~
  5% (stat), 5% (syst), 6% (norm)

## Extracting Diffractive Parton Densities

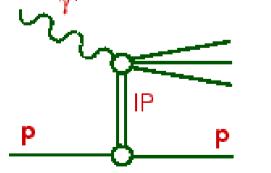
<u>Semi-Inclusive QCD collinear</u> <u>factorisation</u> at fixed  $x_{IP}$  and t ...

... can define  $\beta$ ,  $x_{IP}$  and t dependent diffractive parton densities (DPDFs), with Q<sup>2</sup> evolution as for inclusive PDFs



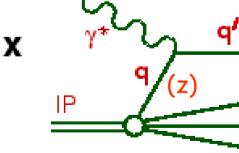
<u>`Proton vertex' factorisation</u> (empirically motivated)

(...DPDFs change only in normalisation with  $x_{IP}$ , t)





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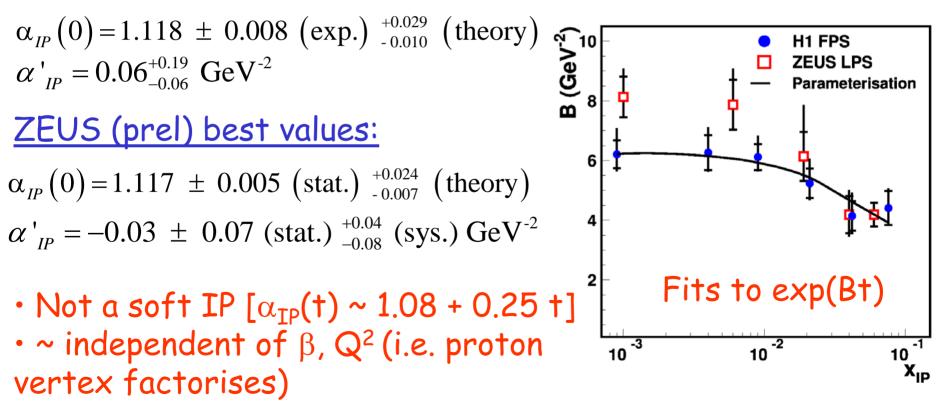


FLUX  $(x_{IP}, t)$ XSTRUCTURE  $(\beta, Q^2)$ (Regge theory)(DGLAP)

# **Effective Pomeron Trajectory**

- Pomeron trajectory from  $x_{IP}$  and t dependences.
- Assumed linear:  $\alpha_{IP}(t) = \alpha_{IP}(0) + \alpha't$
- Consistent between H1 & ZEUS, Roman pot & gaps.

#### <u>H1 Best values:</u>



(X<sub>IP</sub>)

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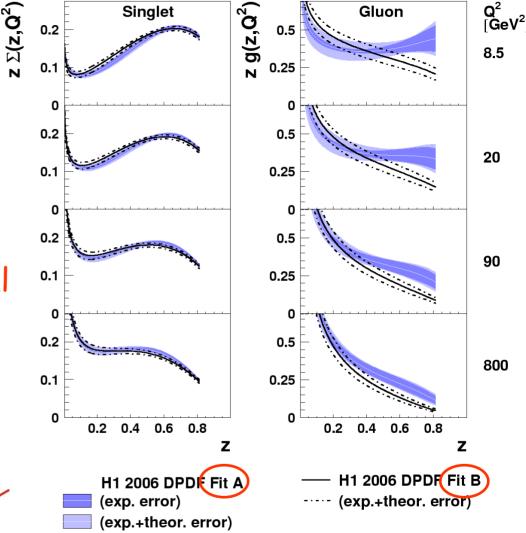
## H1 2006 DPDF Fit Results (linear z scale)

• As in inclusive case,  $\sigma_r^D$ gives quark density and its Q<sup>2</sup> dependence gives gluon via g $\rightarrow$ qqbar splitting.

• NLO DGLAP QCD fit ... experimental and theoretical uncertainties evaluated.

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• Singlet to ~5%, gluon to ~15% at low z, growing at high z ( $q \rightarrow qg$  dominates Q<sup>2</sup> evolution) ... yet high z is most important region for background to Central Exclusive Production!

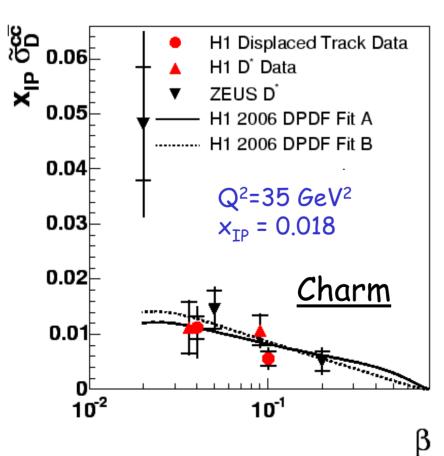


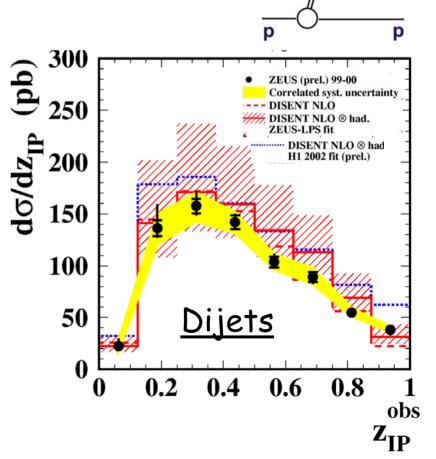
• ~70% gluons z integrated

• See also "ZEUS LPS" fit

# Testing Factoris<sup>n</sup> in DIS Final States

- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  Gluon DPDF known only indirectly from  $\sigma_{\!r}{}^{\text{D}}$
- Test using processes driven by to γ\*g→qqbar Diffractive charm in DIS (two methods)
   Diffractive dijets in DIS
- Very good agreement (... for fit B ...)



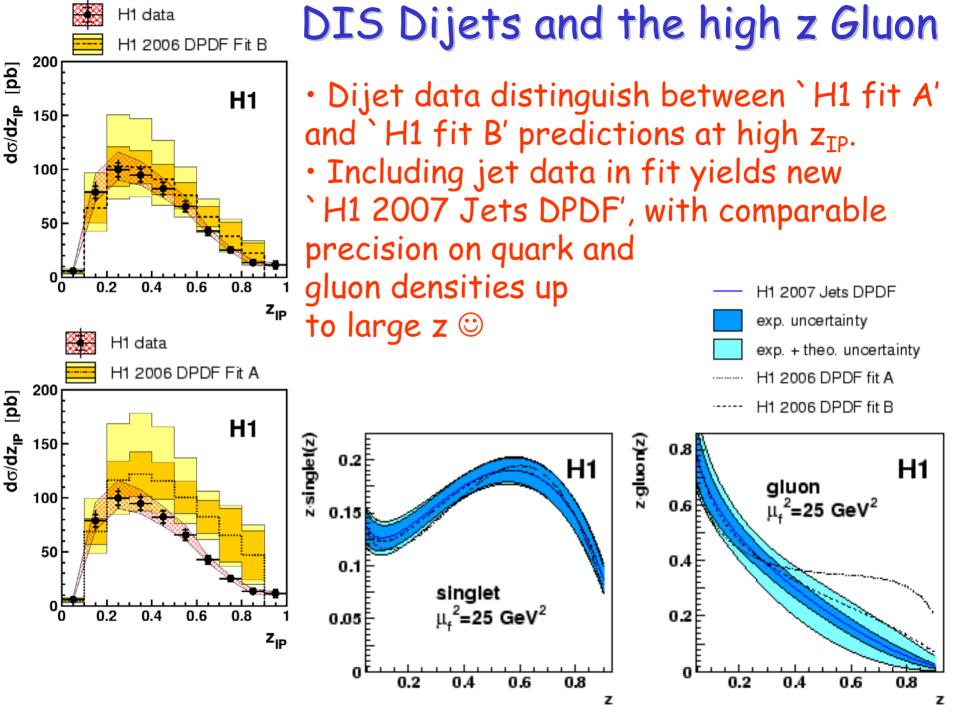


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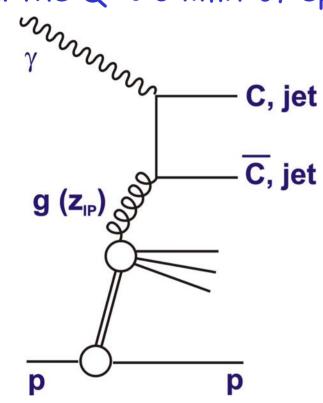
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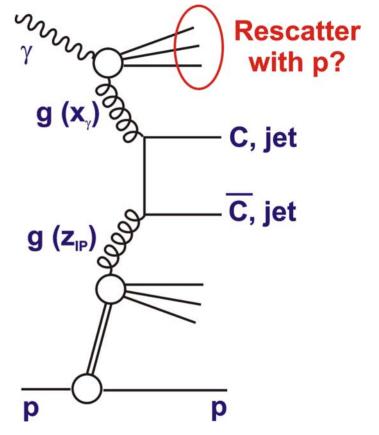


#### From ep towards pp ... Photoproduction, $\gamma p$

... the  $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$  limit of ep scattering - "real" photons

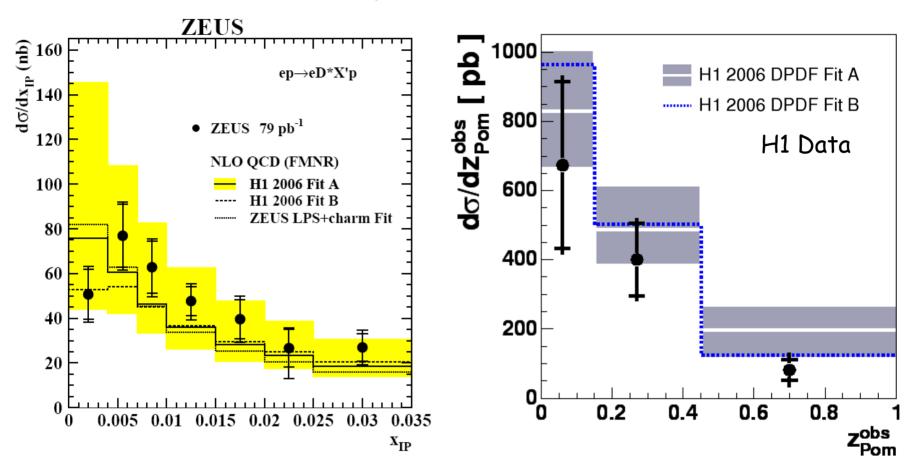


<u>"Direct" photon</u> <u>interactions</u>  $(x_{\gamma} \rightarrow 1)$ ... expect gap survival probability = unity



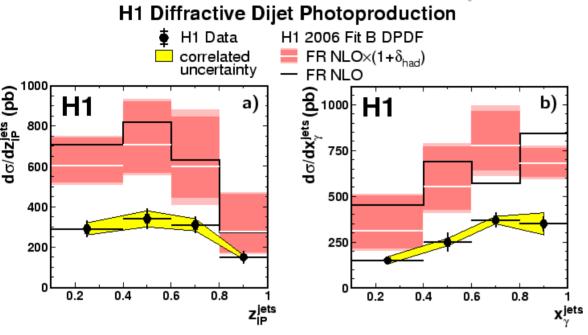
<u>"Resolved" photon interactions</u> ( $x_{\gamma} < 1$ ) ... expect gap survival probability < 1

# Charm (D\*) Photoproduction: Direct Photons



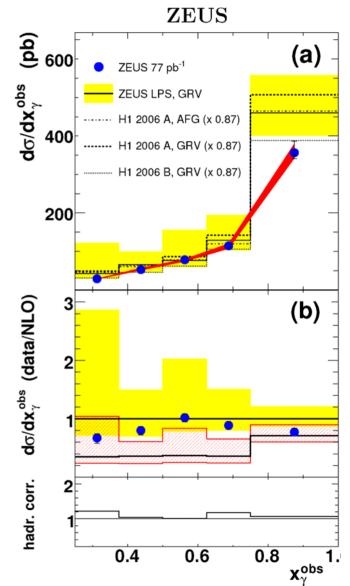
- Charm  $\gamma p$  data dominated by direct photon interactions ... well described by predictions based on DPDFs
- Large scale uncertainties on theory (as in all final state diffractive studies at HERA) due to low scales accessed.

### Jets in Resolved Photoproduction: Gap Survival

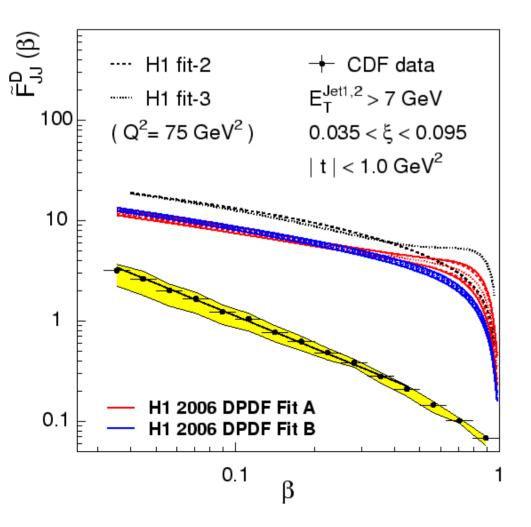


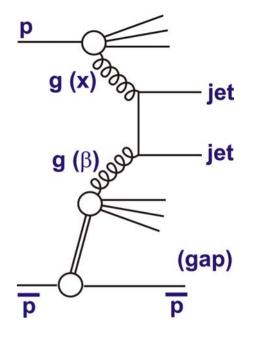
H1: Suppression by factor ~2 observed, but seems to be present in direct as well as resolved processes?!?! ZEUS: Weak (if any) suppression Theory (Kaidalov et al): Factor 0.34 expected for resolved only.

... ongoing work to compare and check theory in predictions (e.g. mixing heavy flavour schemes)



Moving to the Tevatron ... x<sub>IP</sub> integrated effective DPDFs from CDF SD Dijets (Run I)

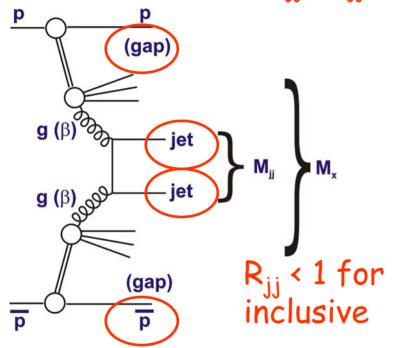




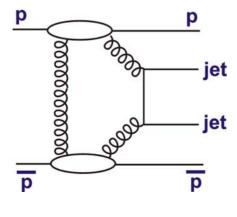
- pbar p → pbar (jjX) is sensitive to DPDFs and can be cleanly predicted using HERA DPDFs
  Factorisation strongly broken by a (β dependent) factor ~10
- See also Run II data ...

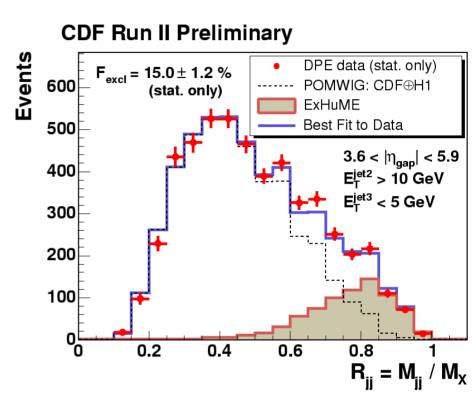
## Exclusive Dijet Production at the Tevatron?

"DPE" dijets, plot  $R_{jj}=M_{jj}/M_{x}$ 



 $R_{jj} \rightarrow 1$  for exclusive (complicated by hadronis<sup>n</sup>, higher order QCD ...)





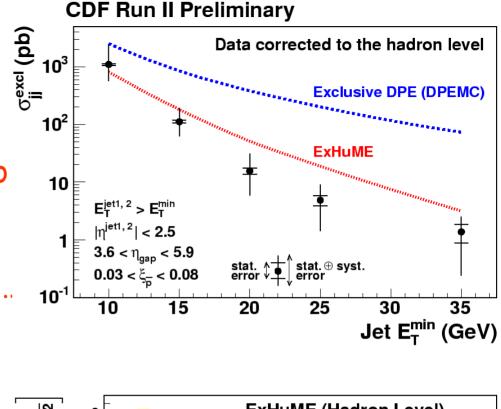
Many comparisons with varying MC modelling and DPDFs ... ...hard to get rid of signal! Fit with free normalisation of inclusive, exclusive models to quantify exclusive part ...

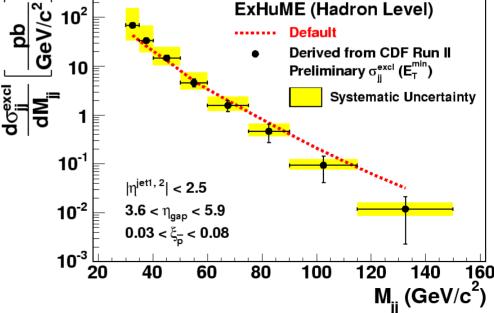
# CDF Exclusive Dijet Cross Section

• Cross sections corrected to the hadron level compared with predictions based on central exclusive production ..

- ExHuME model based on KMR calculation ...
- 4.5% gap survival prob
- "Uncertainty factor 2.5"

• Expressed in terms of M<sub>jj</sub>, signal extends into possible Higgs discovery mass region!

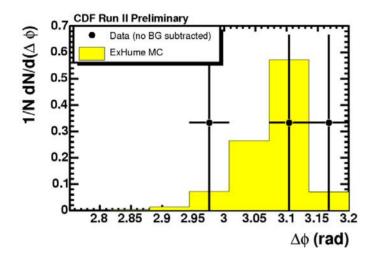




# **CDF Exclusive Di-photons**

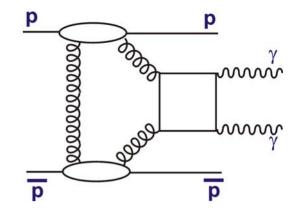
 $E_{t}^{\gamma} > 5 \text{ GeV}, |\eta_{\gamma}| < 1$ , detector otherwise consistent with empty (protons not tagged)

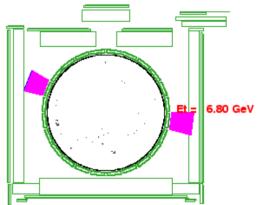
3 candidates with background < 0.2

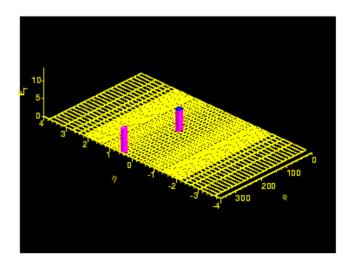


Prediction (KMR) is around 1 event, uncertainty factor 3-5

... hard to explain through other processes (qq or  $\gamma\gamma$  few % of gg)







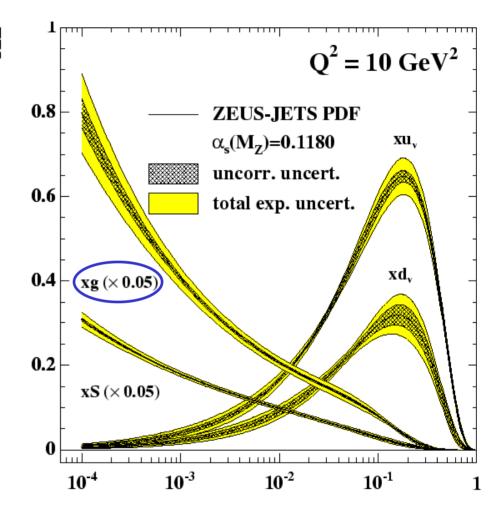
## Summary

- Many measurements of inclusive diffraction at HERA
  - Good agreement between methods, collaborations
  - Much improved precision on diffractive PDFs
- Many tests of diffractive factorisation using final states
  - Works nicely in DIS (jets now included in fits)
  - Photoproduction needs clarification
  - Clear breakdown in ppbar (gap survivial factors)
- Increasingly compelling evidence for central exclusive production from CDF at the Tevatron
  - ppbar  $\rightarrow$  ppbar + dijet
  - ppbar  $\rightarrow$  ppbar +  $\gamma\gamma$

Could diffraction play a role in Higgs studies at LHC?...

### Low x Physics and Diffraction

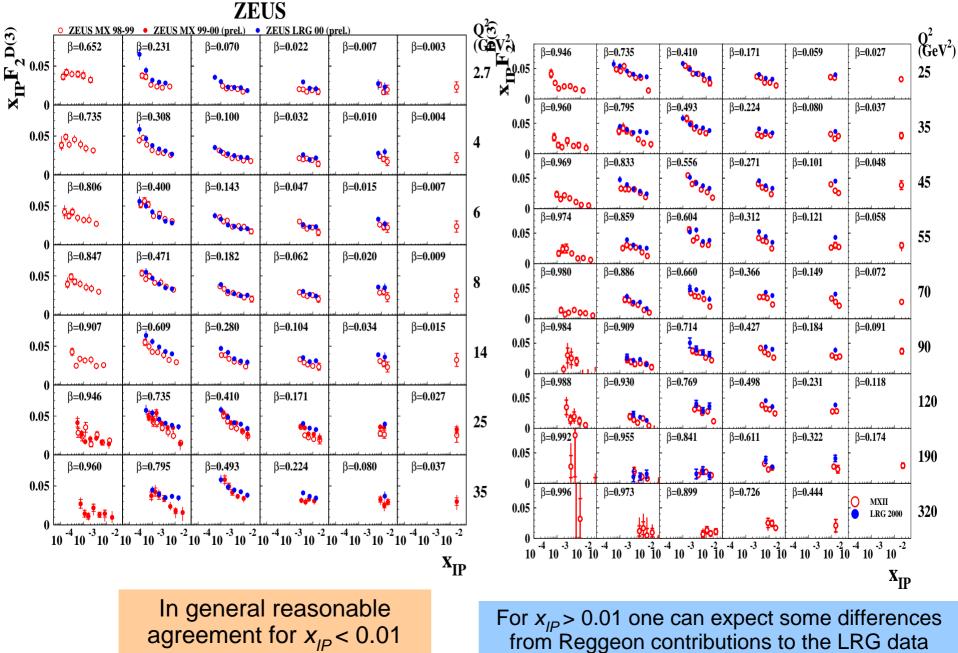
- Low x studies at HERA revealed strong rise of quark density ( $F_2$ ) and gluon density (d  $F_2$  / d ln Q<sup>2</sup>) with decreasing x.
- Gluon terrifyingly big?
- High density, low coupling limit of QCD



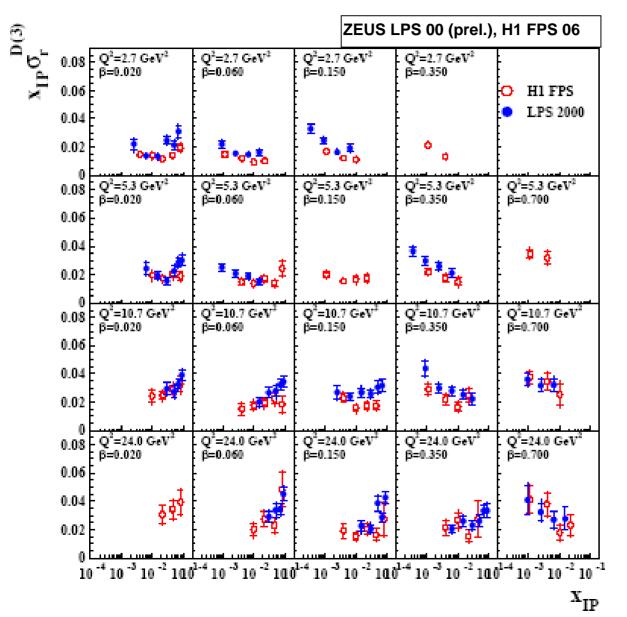
• ... large diffractive cross sections observed with leading  $Q^2$  dependence (ep $\rightarrow$ eXp is a constant fraction ~10%)

Back up's follow ...

#### ZEUS Mx v LRG

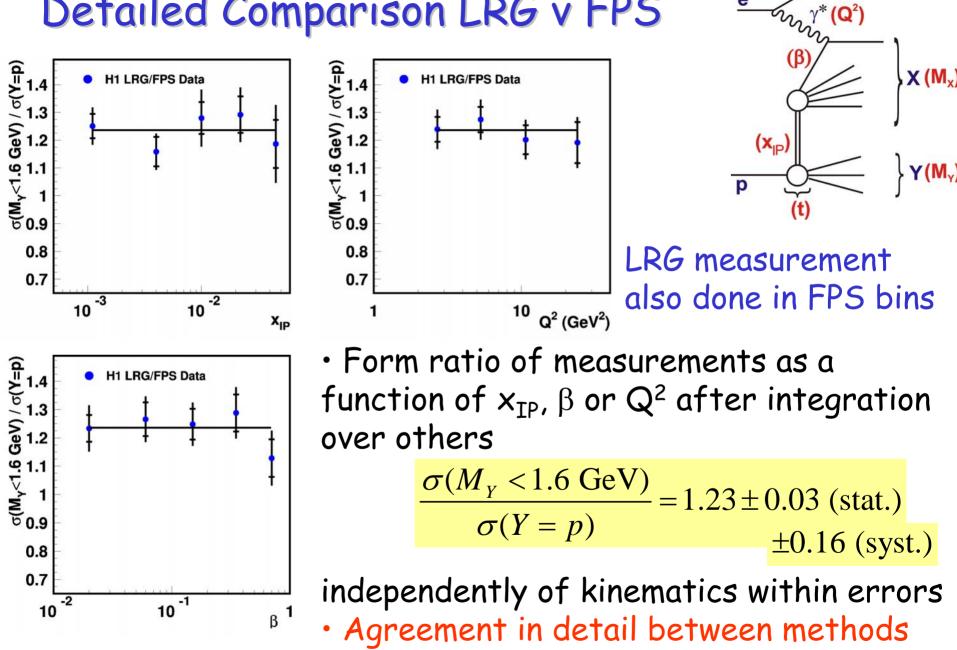


#### New LPS / FPS Data H1 v ZEUS



Relative Norm uncties 15% not shown

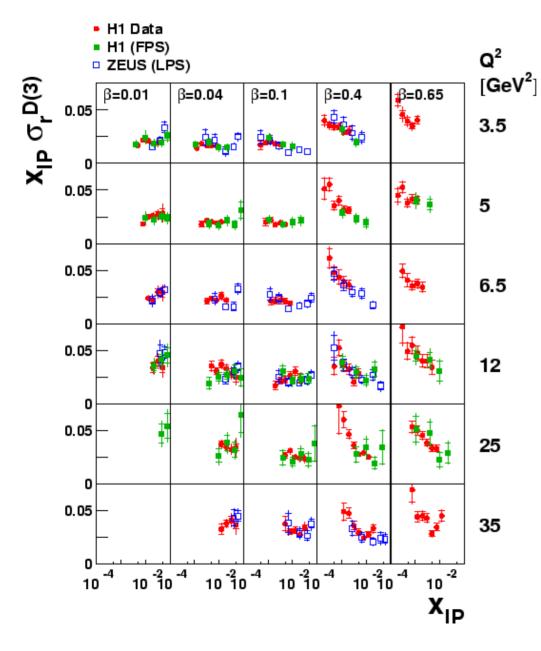
# Detailed Comparison LRG v FPS



γ\* (Q<sup>2</sup>)

•M<sub>v</sub> dependence factorises within (10%) (non-norm<sup>n</sup>) errors

#### H1 LRG v H1 FPS v ZEUS LPS Data



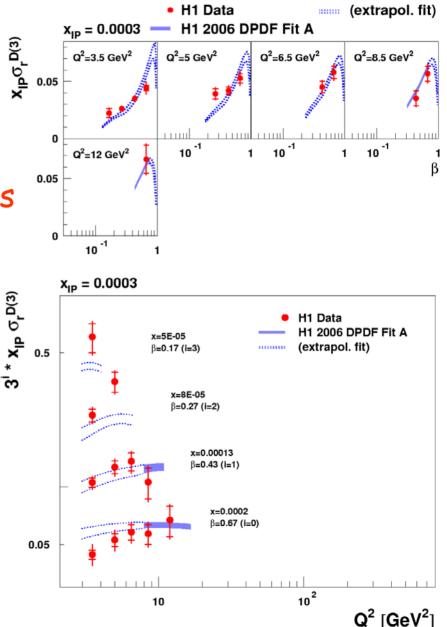
• ZEUS and H1 Roman pot data agree to well within normalisation uncertainties

• Very good agreement between proton-tagging and LRG methods.

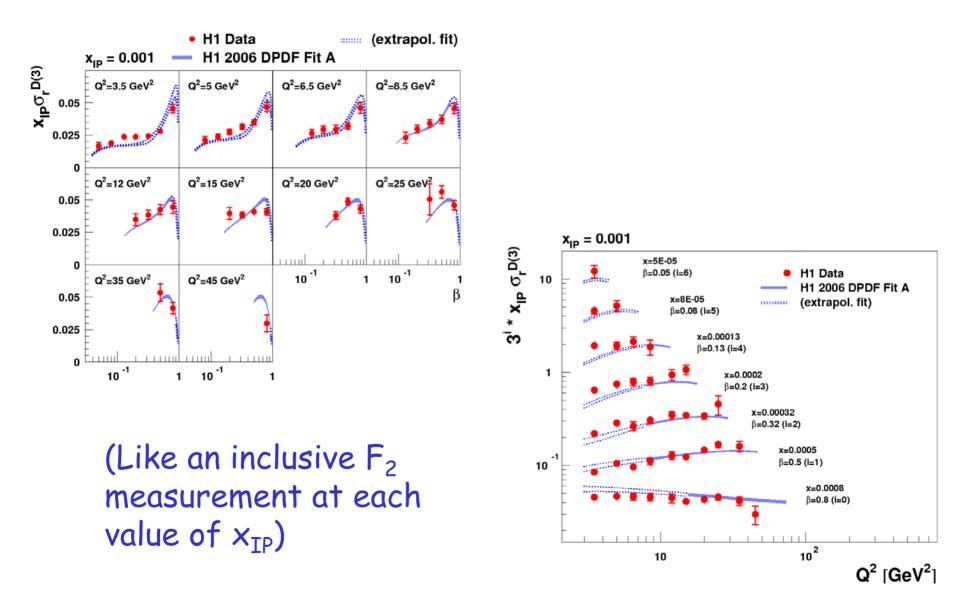
• Roman Pot data scaled by global factor of 1.23 to account for proton dissociation (My<1.6 GeV) in LRG data.

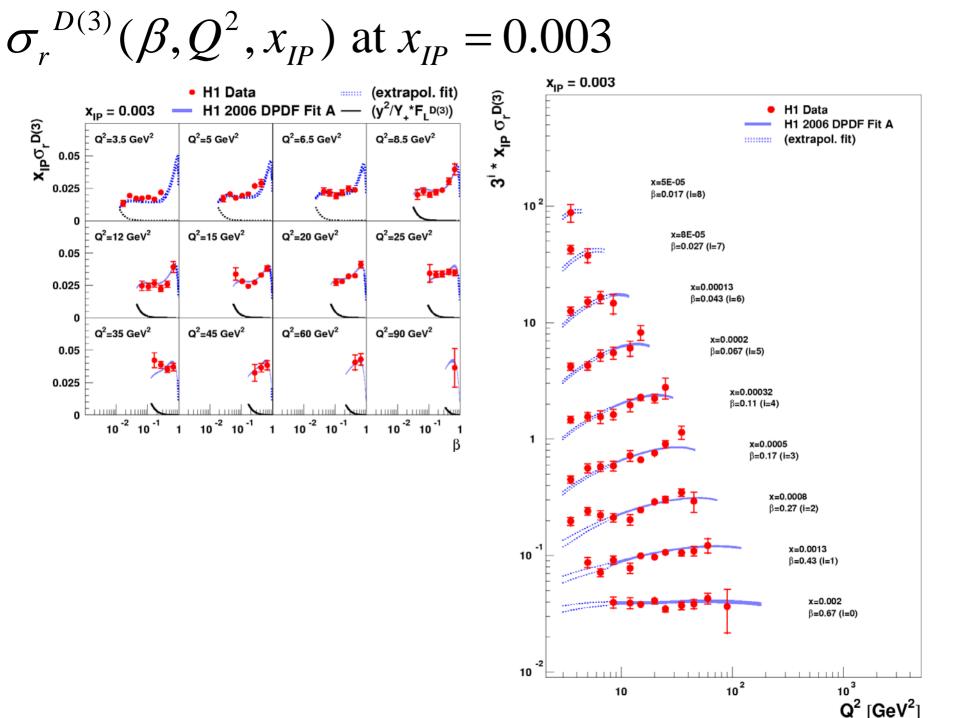
# **QCD** Aspects! $\sigma_r^{D(3)}(\beta, Q^2, x_{IP})$ at $x_{IP} = 0.0003$

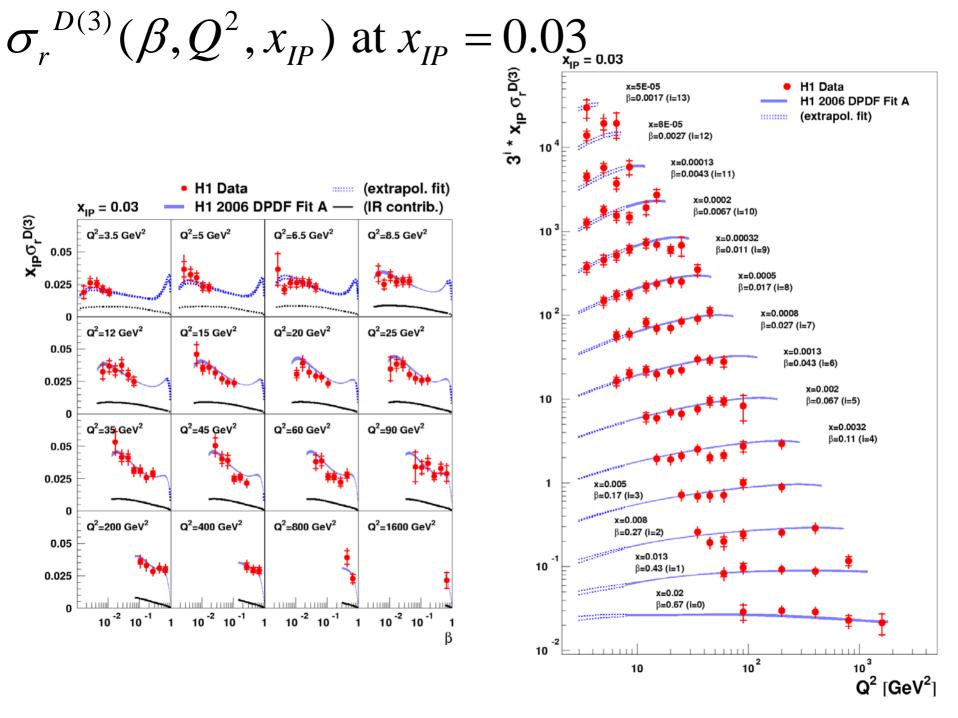
- Study QCD structure with LRG data ...Q<sup>2</sup> and  $\beta$  (= x /  $x_{IP}$ ) dependences at a small number of fixed  $x_{IP}$  values.
- Good precision in best regions
  5% (stat.), 5% (syst) 6% (norm)
- Directly measures diffractive  $\widehat{\mathbb{G}}_{2}$ quark density at fixed  $x_{\text{IP}}$  $\sigma_{n}^{D}(\beta, O^{2}) \sim F_{2}^{D} = \Sigma e_{n}^{2} (q+q)$



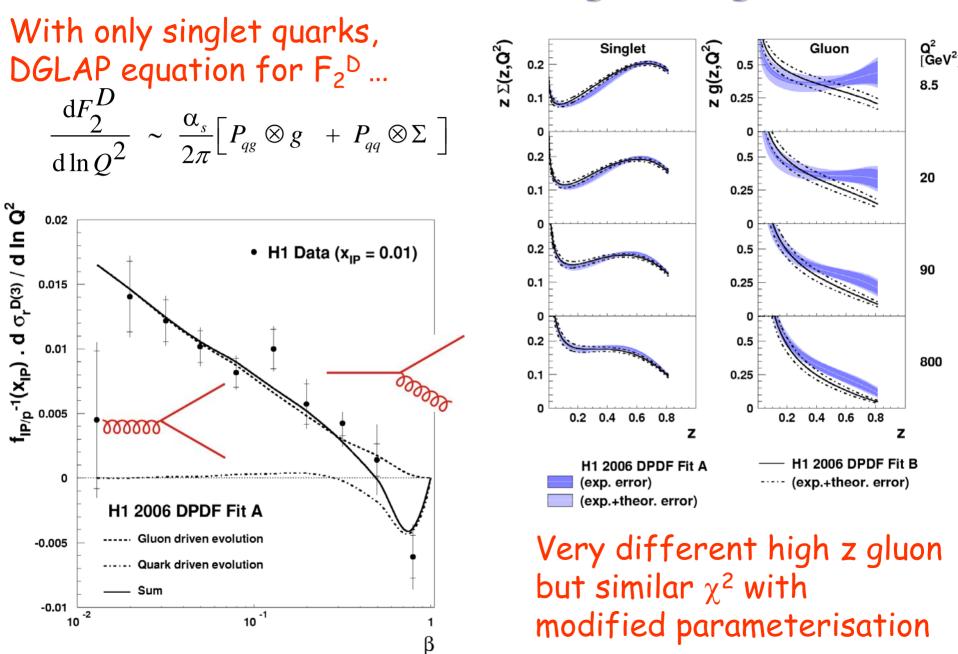
 $\sigma_r^{D(3)}(\beta, Q^2, x_{IP})$  at  $x_{IP} = 0.001$ 





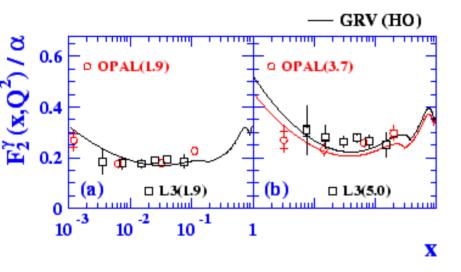


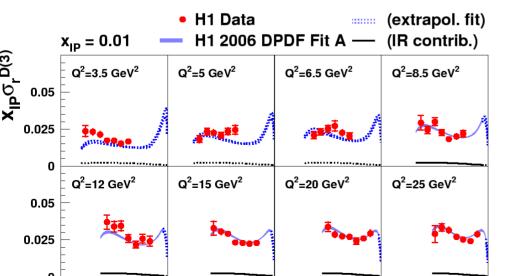
#### A Closer Look at the High z Region



#### ... but what do the DPDFs actually mean?

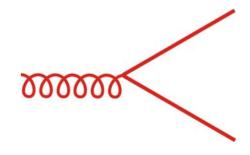
High z behaviour looks a lot like the photon structure function ...







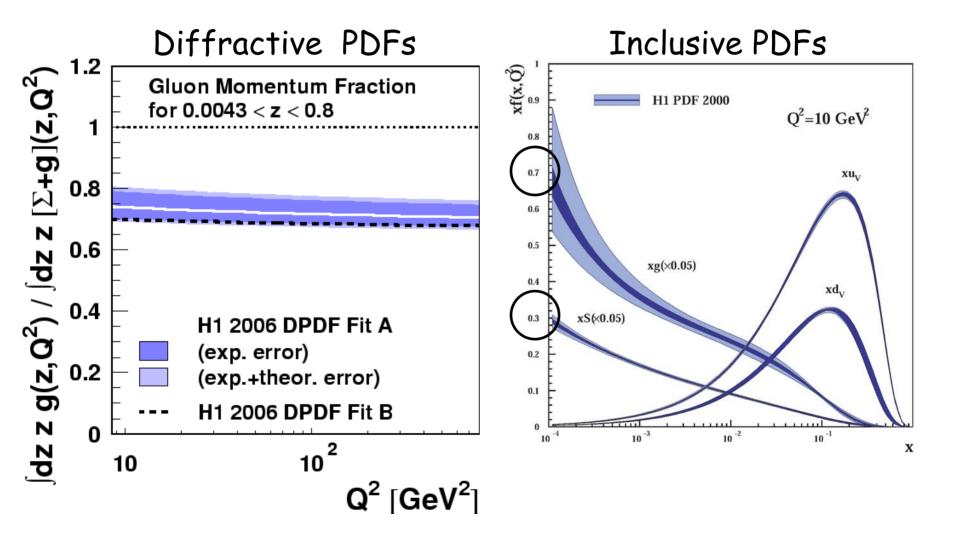
Photon `structure' derived from  $\gamma \rightarrow qqbar$ 



Diffractive DIS derived from  $g \rightarrow qqbar$  (and  $g \rightarrow gg ...)$ ... leading gluon exchange?

#### ... but what do the DPDFs actually mean?

... what about low z ... ratio of quarks to gluons is about 70:30 for both diffractive PDFs and (low x) inclusive PDFs ...

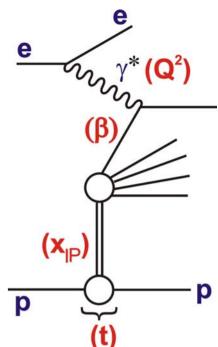


## Extracting the Quarks and Gluons

• Fit  $\beta$  and Q<sup>2</sup> dependence of LRG data from fixed x<sub>IP</sub> binning scheme ( $\chi^2$  minimisation)

 $\cdot$  Parameterise DPDFs at starting scale  $Q_0{}^2$  for QCD evolution ...

... evolve to higher Q<sup>2</sup> using NLO DGLAP equations (massive charm) and fit  $\beta$  and Q<sup>2</sup> dependence for DPDFs



• Use proton vertex factorisation with  $\alpha_{IP}(t)$  from FPS and LRG data to relate data from different  $x_{IP}$  values with complementary  $\beta$ ,  $Q^2$  coverage.

• Exclude data with  $M_X < 2$  GeV or  $\beta > 0.8$  (higher twist region) and with  $Q^2 < 8.5$  GeV<sup>2</sup> (NLO insufficient?)

#### Free Parameters of H1 2006 DPDF Fit

5 free parameters for singlet quark  $z\Sigma(z,Q_0^2)$ , gluon  $zg(z,Q_0^2)$ densities, where z is parton momentum fraction (=  $\beta$  for quarks at lowest order, otherwise > $\beta$ )

$$z\Sigma(z,Q_0^2) = A_q z^{B_q} (1-z)^{C_q}$$

$$zg(z,Q_0^2) = A_g (1-z)^{C_g}$$

(gluon insensitive to  $B_g$ )

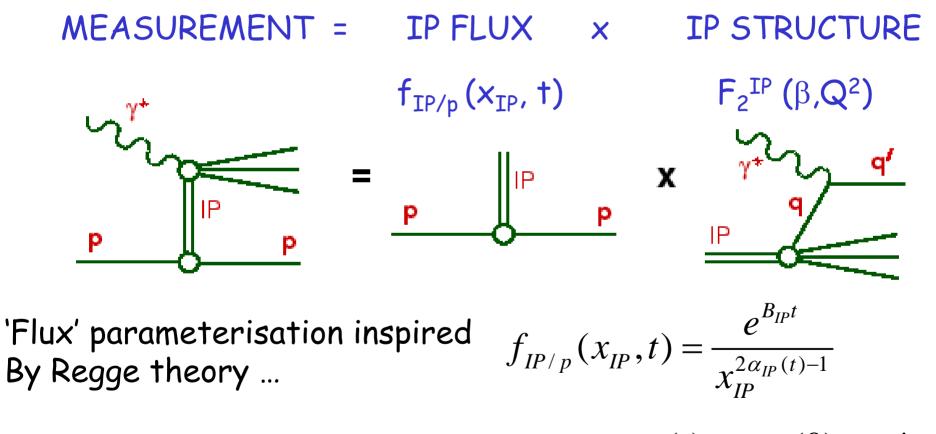
+ 1 free parameter  $\alpha_{\text{IP}}(\text{O})$  describes  $x_{\text{IP}}$  dependence via flux factor

- 1 free parameter describes normalisation of sub-leading IR, which is otherwise treated as a  $\pi^{\rm 0}$ 

• Results reproducible within errors with many variations in assumptions, parameterisations and other details

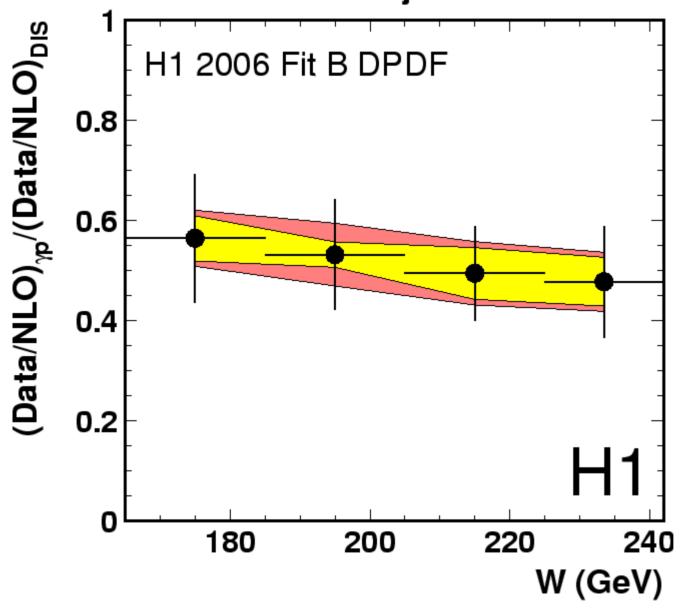
## Proton Vertex Factorisation and 'Pomeron Flux'

If proton vertex factorisation works, we can factorise out  $x_{IP}$ , t (and  $M_y$ ) dependence into a `flux factor'



Free parameters - pomeron `trajectory'  $\alpha_{IP}(t) = \alpha_{IP}(0) + \alpha'_{IP} t$ 

#### Double Ratios of DIS : photoproduction H1 Diffractive Dijet Production



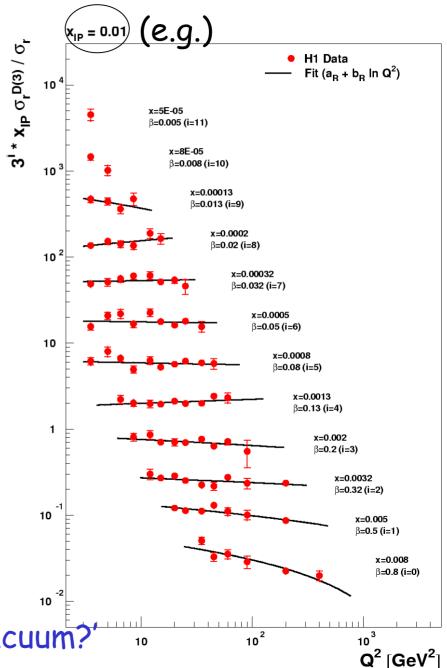
# Low x similarity of diffractive & inclusive PDFs

 Similar ratios of quarks to gluons reflected in similar
 Q<sup>2</sup> evolution of inclusive and diffractive cross sections at low x...

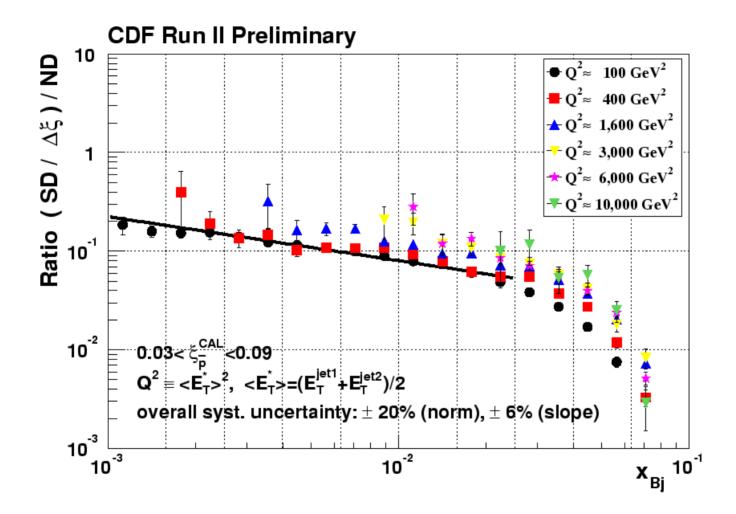
• ...Ratio  $\sigma_r^D/\sigma_r$  ~ independent of Q<sup>2</sup> at fixed  $x_{IP}$  and x.

• ... away from the influence of valence quarks, PDFs and their evolution is driven only by QCD ... same for proton, pomeron, pion, photon ...?

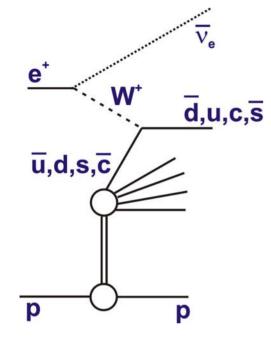
...`universal structure of QCD vacuum?



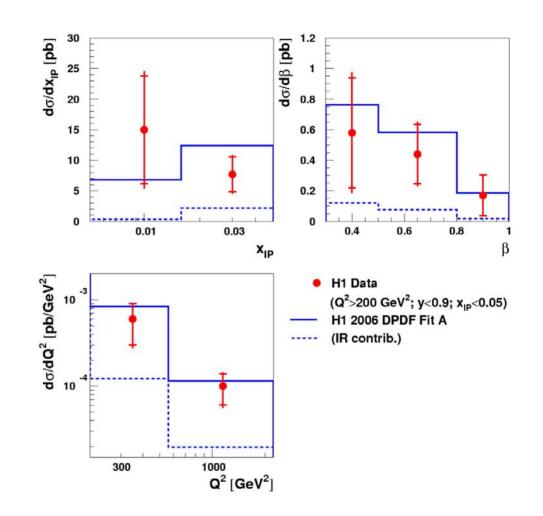
#### Diffractive Structure Fn @ CDF



## **Diffractive Charged Current Cross Section**







Good agreement with fit prediction (assumes u = d = s = u = d = sand c from BGF) though statistical precision limited so far