# Combination of D<sup>\*</sup> differential crosssection measurements in DIS at HERA.





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## **DIS at HERA.**



 $E_p = 920 \, GeV \qquad E_e = 27.5 \, GeV$   $\sqrt{s} = 318 \, GeV$ 

L~0.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> per experiment



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## Introduction to charm production @ HERA.



Direct probe of the gluon in the proton: predominantly via bosongluon fusion.  $\sigma^{\mathsf{D}} = \mathsf{PDF} \otimes \mathsf{ME} \otimes \mathsf{FF}$ 



- Combine the most precise measurements of D<sup>\*</sup> visible differential cross sections in DIS by ZEUS and H1 in HERAII to get the ultimate precision. Combination was done using HERAverager.
- Minimal (negligible) theoretical uncertainties (due to extrapolation), in contrast to the recent H1+ZEUS combination of inclusive charm cross sections in the full phase space(EPJ C73 (2013) 2311).
- > Provide measurements in  $p_T(D^*)$ ,  $n(D^*)$ ,  $z(D^*)=(E-p_z)^{D^*}/(2E_e y)$ ,  $Q^2$ , y
- Combined visible D<sup>\*</sup> cross sections<sup>1)</sup> were compared to the NLO QCD predictions from HVQDIS

<sup>1)</sup> corrected to the QED Born level with running  $\alpha$ ; include the beauty contribution



## **Combination inputs.**



## Data combination.



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- Significant improvement in precision.
- > Precision of the combined data is ~5% in a large fraction of the phase space.



# NLO O( $\alpha_s^2$ ) QCD predictions.

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# NLO QCD predictions: the same as in the ZEUS $D^{\ast}$ paper : HVQDIS and RAPGAP b $\times$ 1.6

## HVQDIS setup

- $m_c = 1.5 \pm 0.15 \; GeV$
- $\mu_R = \mu_F = \sqrt{Q^2 + 4m_c^2}$ , varied **independently** by factor 2
- $\alpha_s^{n_f=3}(M_Z) = 0.105 \pm 0.02$
- HERAPDF1.0
- Fragmentation:
  - Kartvelishvili fragmentation function parametrised as step function with  $\alpha_k$  and bin boundaries variations
  - Transverse fragmentation:  $f(k_T) = k_T exp(\frac{-2k_T}{\langle k_T \rangle})$ ,  $k_T = 0.35 \pm 0.15 \ GeV$
  - $f(c \to D^*) = 0.2287 \pm 0.0056$

#### courtesy of S. Zenaiev



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## z(D\*): NLO QCD vs. combined data.

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## Q<sup>2</sup>: NLO QCD vs. combined data.

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## y: NLO QCD vs. combined data.

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#### H1 and ZEUS (June 2013) d₀/dy (nb) HERA (prel.) ٠ **NLO QCD** 20 5<Q<sup>2</sup><1000 GeV<sup>2</sup> HERA Heavy Flavour Working Group 0.02<y<0.7 1.5<p\_(D\*)<20 GeV |n(D\*)|<1.5 10 0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.40.5 0.6 0.7

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- Most precise D\* measurements in DIS by ZEUS and H1 were combined in the visible phase space.
- > Significant improvement of the data precision.
- Negligible component of the theoretical uncertainty (up to 10% of the total uncertainty) due to small extrapolation to the common phase space.
- > NLO QCD calculations describe the combined data well.
- Uncertainties of the predictions are typically much larger than those of the data => higher-order calculations and improved fragmentation model would be very helpful.







## **NLO QCD predictions.**

- > Fixed-order  $O(\alpha_s^2)$  calculations using HVQDIS.
- Set-up follows closely the one used in the combination of inclusive charm cross sections (EPJ C73 (2013) 2311) (see back-up). Only µ<sub>R</sub> and µ<sub>F</sub> are varied independently.
- Small beauty contribution is estimated with RAPGAP and normalised following original analyses.

