



# Diffractive interactions in ep collisions



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# Outline



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  - Measurements of diffraction with the  $M_x$  method, a leading proton or rapidity gap
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  - Extraction of diffractive parton distribution functions (PDFs)
- Diffractive Dijet and  $D^*$  production
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- Summary and Outlook

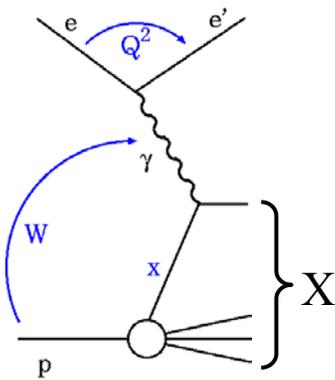


# Diffractive DIS at HERA

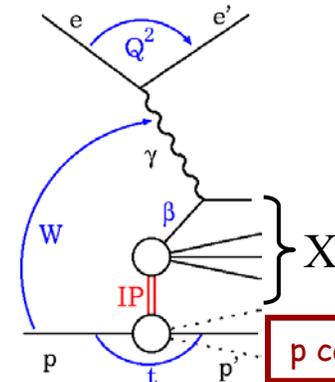


## Deep Inelastic Scattering at HERA:

diffraction contributes substantially to the cross section  
(~ 10% of low-x events)



**Inclusive DIS:**  
Probe partonic structure  
of the proton  $\rightarrow F_2$



**Diffractive DIS:**  
Probe structure  
of the exchanged  
color singlet  $\rightarrow F_2^D$

p can stay intact or dissociate

$Q^2$ : 4-momentum exchange  
 $W$ :  $\gamma$  p centre of mass energy  
 $x$ : fraction of p momentum carried  
by struck quark

$x_{IP}$ : fraction of p momentum carried  
by the Pomeron (IP)

$$x_{IP} = \frac{q \cdot (p - p')}{q \cdot p} \approx \frac{Q^2 + M_X^2}{Q^2 + W^2}$$

$\beta$ : fraction of IP momentum carried  
by struck quark

$$\beta = \frac{Q^2}{2q \cdot (p - p')} \approx \frac{Q^2}{Q^2 + M_X^2} = \frac{x}{x_{IP}}$$



# Inclusive diffraction

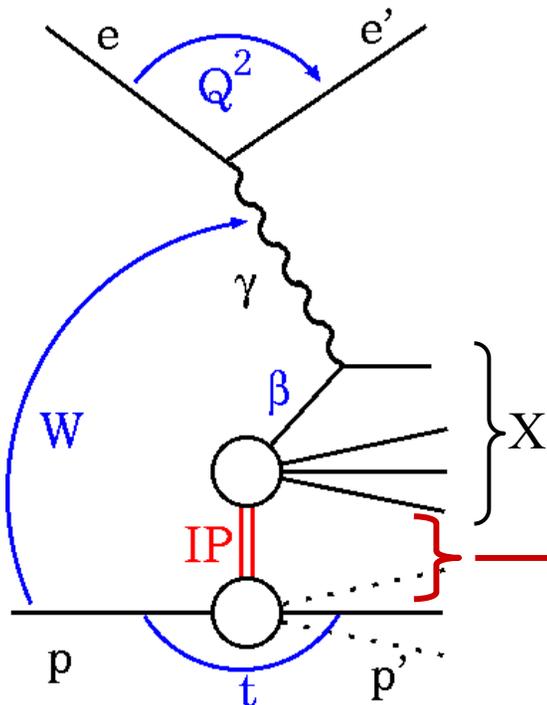


Diffraction  $\gamma^*p$  cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\gamma^*p}^D}{dM_X} = \frac{\pi Q^2 W}{\alpha(1+(1-y)^2)} \cdot \frac{d^3\sigma_{ep \rightarrow e'Xp'}}{dQ^2 dM_X dW}$$

Diffraction structure function:

$$F_2^{D(3)}(\beta, Q^2, x_{IP}) = \frac{\beta Q^4}{4\pi\alpha^2(1-y+y^2/2)} \cdot \frac{d\sigma_{ep \rightarrow e'Xp'}^D}{d\beta dQ^2 dx_{IP}}$$



Rapidity gap due to exchange of colorless object with vacuum quantum numbers

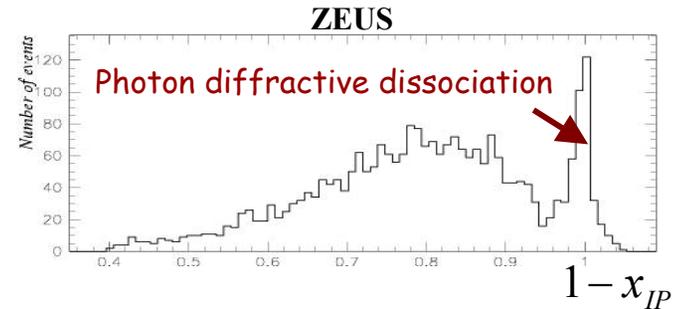


# Event selection: LPS, $M_X$ and LRG method



LPS

- t-measurement
- access to high  $x_{IP}$  range
- free of p-dissociation background
- small acceptance  $\rightarrow$  low statistics

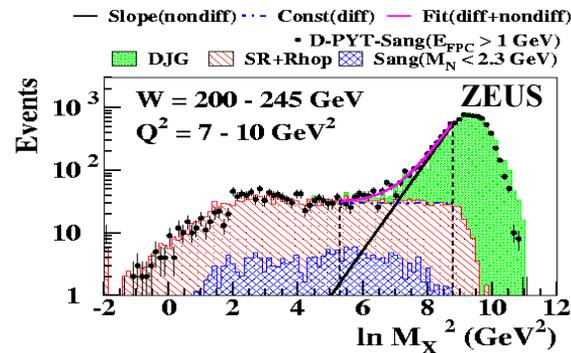


$M_X$

$$\frac{dN}{d \ln M_X^2} = \underset{\text{Diff.}}{D} + \underset{\text{Non-diffr.}}{c} \cdot \exp(\underset{\text{Non-diffr.}}{b} \cdot \ln M_X^2)$$

(D, c, b from a fit to data)

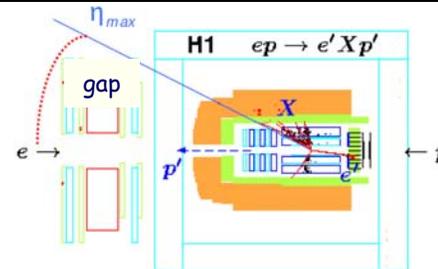
- flat vs  $\ln M_X^2$  for **diffractive** events
- exponentially falling for decreasing  $M_X$  for **non-diffractive** events



p-dissociation background subtracted for mass of diss. p  $M_N > 2.3 \text{ GeV}$

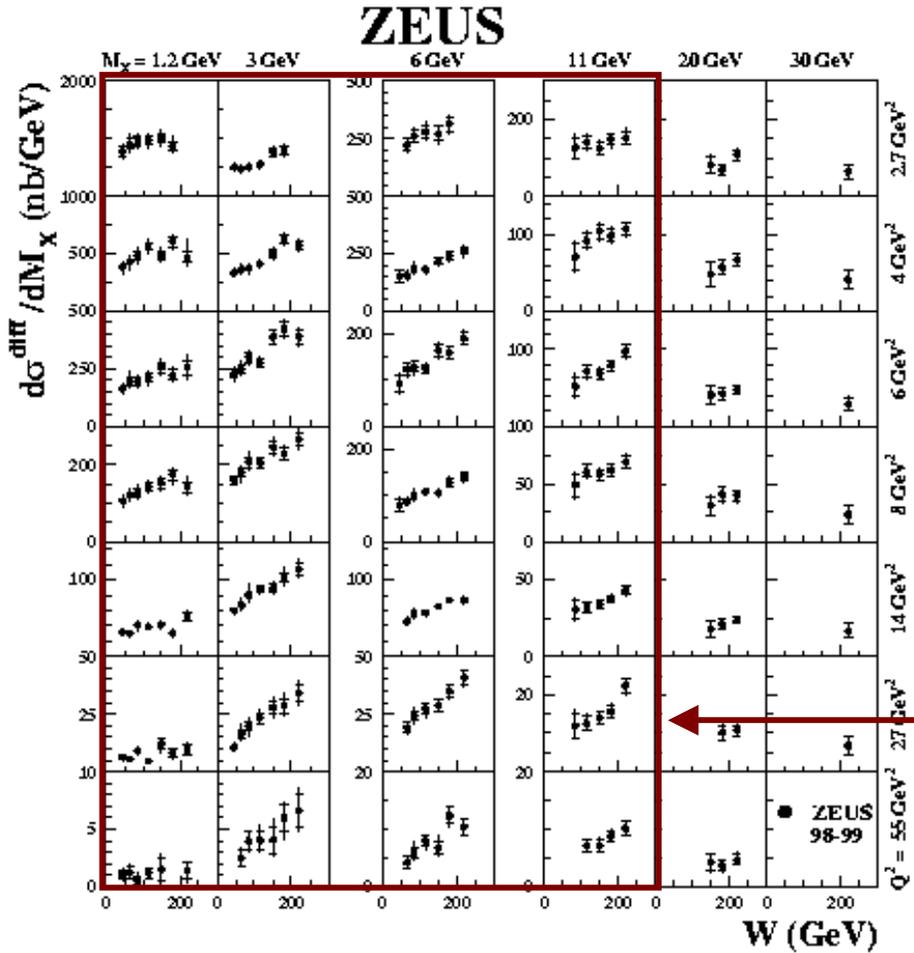
LRG

events with large rapidity gap (LRG):  
p-dissociation background for  $M_N < 1.6 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|t| < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$





# Cross section: W dependence ( $M_X$ method)



ZEUS 98-99 FPC sample  
(Lower  $M_X$  / higher  $\beta$  region)

Reminder:  
p-dissociation events with  
 $M_N < 2.3 \text{ GeV}$  included ( $\sim 30\%$ )

$M_X < 2 \text{ GeV}$ : weak rise with  $W$   
 $M_X > 2 \text{ GeV}$ : strong rise with  $W$

Fit these distributions with  
power-like fit:

$$d\sigma_{\gamma^*p}^D/dM_X \propto (W^2)^{2\alpha_{IP}^-} \quad (\text{from Regge theory})$$

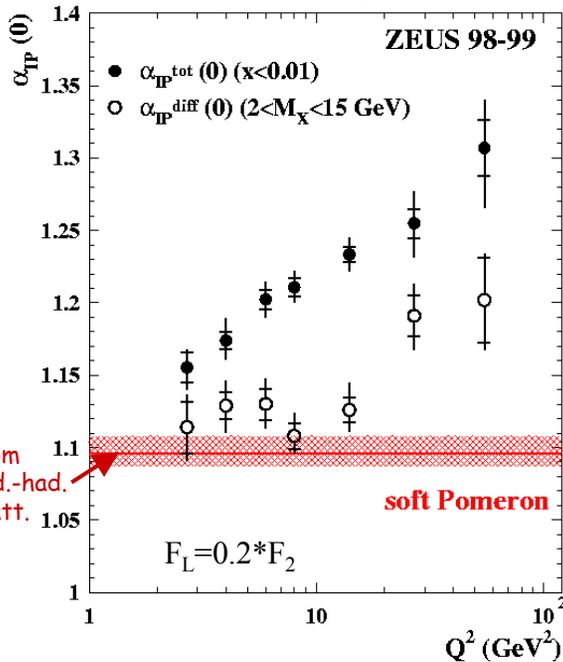
$$\alpha_{IP}^{diff}(0) = \alpha_{IP}^- + \alpha'_{IP}/b \quad \leftarrow \text{from LPS data}$$



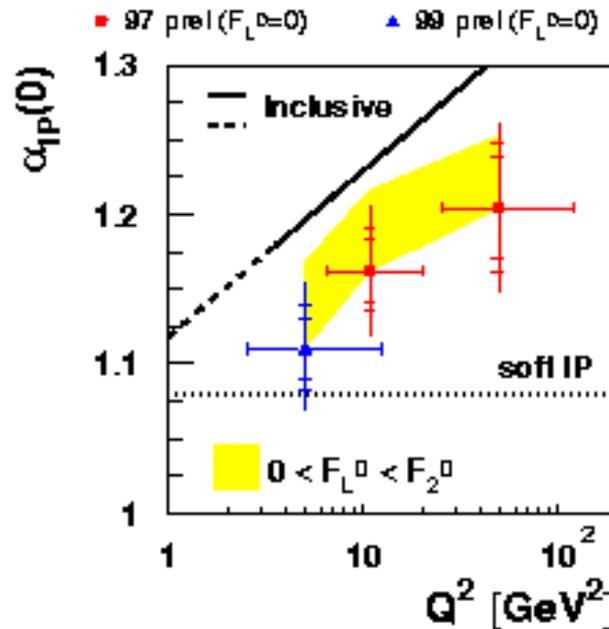
# Effective $\alpha_{IP}(0)$ vs $Q^2$



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H1 Diffractive Effective  $\alpha_{IP}(0)$



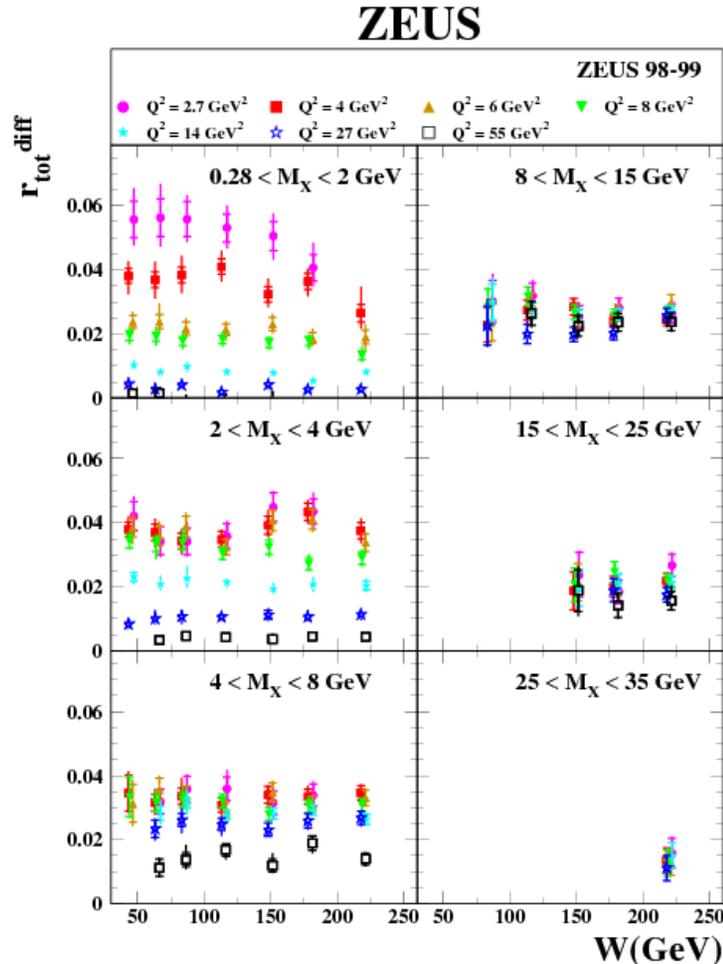
Effective  $\alpha_{IP}(0)$ :

- diffr. lower than incl.
- for low  $Q^2$  consistent with soft Pomeron
- data suggest rise with  $Q^2$  → **Regge fact. breaking**  
(H1 within errors consistent with no  $Q^2$  dependence, ZEUS data show significant rise)

{	$\sigma_{tot}^{\gamma^* p} \propto (W^2)^{\alpha_{tot}(0)-1}$	inclusive	$F_2 \propto B \cdot x^{1-\alpha(Q^2)}$	}
	$\frac{d\sigma^{diff}}{dM_X^2} \propto (W^2)^{2\bar{\alpha}_{IP}-2}$	diffractive	$x_{IP} F_2^D \propto A(\beta, Q^2) \cdot x_{IP}^{2-2\alpha_{IP}(t)}$	



# $\sigma_{\text{diff}}/\sigma_{\text{tot}}$ : $W$ dependence ( $M_X$ method)



$$r_{\text{tot}}^{\text{diff}} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{diff}}}{\sigma_{\text{tot}}} = \frac{\int_{M_a}^{M_b} dM_X d\sigma_{\gamma^* p \rightarrow XN, M_N < 2.3 \text{ GeV}}^{\text{diff}}}{\sigma_{\gamma^* p}^{\text{tot}}}$$

No  $W$  dependence

Low  $M_X$ : decreasing with rising  $Q^2$   
High  $M_X$ : weak  $Q^2$  dependence

For the highest  $W$  bin:  
( $200 < W < 245 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $0.28 < M_X < 25 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $M_N < 2.3 \text{ GeV}$ )

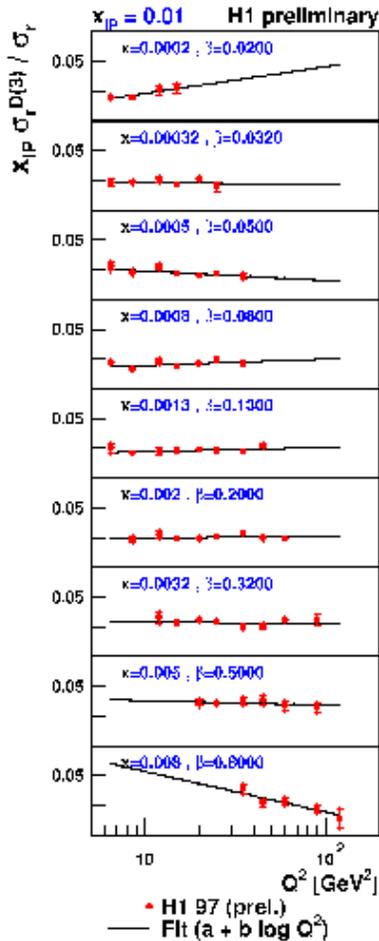
$$r_{\text{tot}}^{\text{diff}} = 15.8_{-1.0}^{+1.2} \% \quad \text{at } Q^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$r_{\text{tot}}^{\text{diff}} = 9.6_{-0.7}^{+0.7} \% \quad \text{at } Q^2 = 27 \text{ GeV}^2$$

Diffraction contributes substantially to the total cross section!



# Reduced cross section: Q<sup>2</sup> dependence (LRG)



Diffr. reduced CS:

$$\frac{d^4 \sigma}{d\beta dQ^2 dx_{IP} dt} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{\beta Q^4} (1-y + \frac{y^2}{2}) \sigma_r^{D(4)}(\beta, Q^2, x_{IP}, t)$$

Relation to F<sub>2</sub><sup>D</sup> and F<sub>L</sub><sup>D</sup>:

$$\sigma_r^{D(4)} = F_2^{D(4)} - \frac{y^2}{2(1-y + y^2/2)} F_L^{D(4)}$$

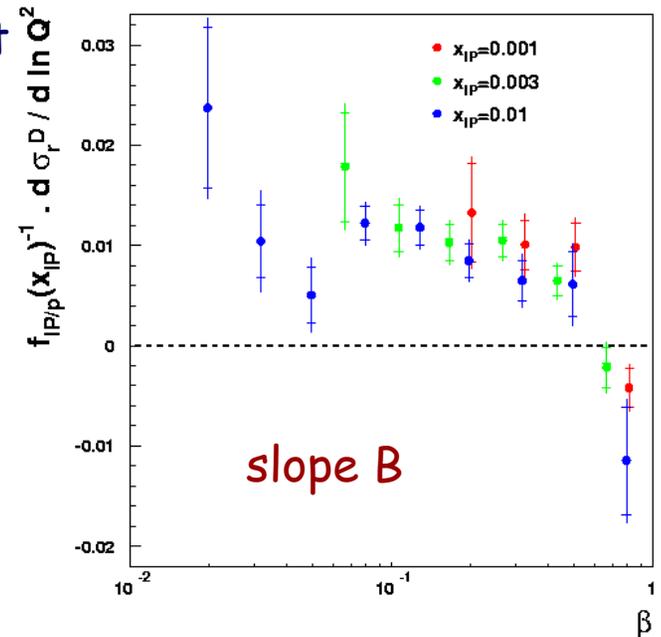
Quantify scaling violations at fixed x<sub>IP</sub> and β:

$$\sigma_r^D = A + B \ln Q^2$$

$$B = d\sigma_r^D / d \ln Q^2$$

Large positive scaling violations up to β ~ 0.6  
 ← large gluon contribution

H1 Preliminary

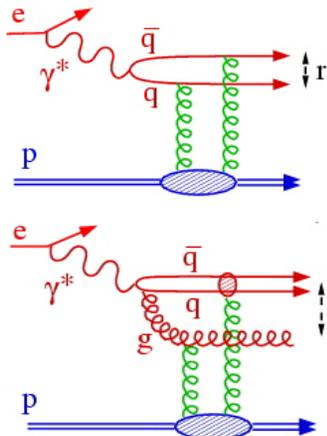




# Comparison with models



## The color dipole model

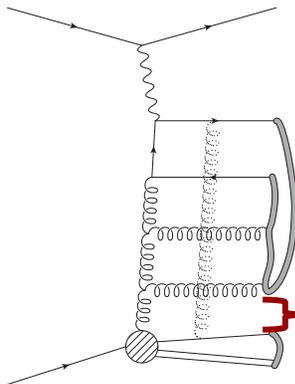


Virtual photon fluctuates to  $q\bar{q}$  and  $q\bar{q}g$  states long before interaction (color dipole):

- dipole has long lifetime  $\rightarrow$  dipole interacts with p
- transverse size  $1/\sqrt{(Q^2 + M_{q\bar{q}}^2)}$

Transverse size of incoming hadron beam (from  $\gamma$ ) can be reduced so small that strong interaction with proton becomes perturbative (color transparency)

## The soft color interaction model

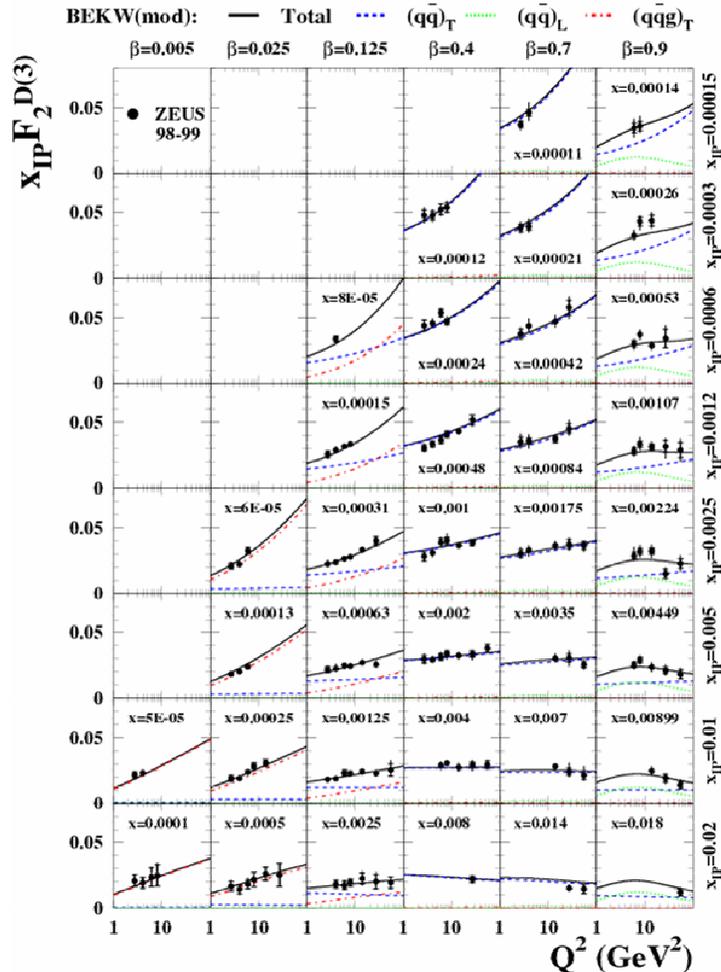


Re-scattering of soft longitudinal gluons on target spectators modifies color field topology

➔ rapidity gap



# Color dipole model: ZEUS data vs BEKW model



Bartels, Ellis, Kowalski and Wüsthoff:

$$x_{IP} F_2^{D(3)} = c_T F_{qq}^T + c_L F_{qq}^L + c_g F_{qqg}^T$$

Data mainly described by BEKW  
parametrisation ( $x_{IP} < 0.01$ )

$$F_{qqg}^T \propto (1 - \beta)^\gamma \quad \text{small } \beta \quad \text{(high } M_x\text{)}$$

$$F_{qq}^T \propto \beta(1 - \beta) \quad \text{medium } \beta$$

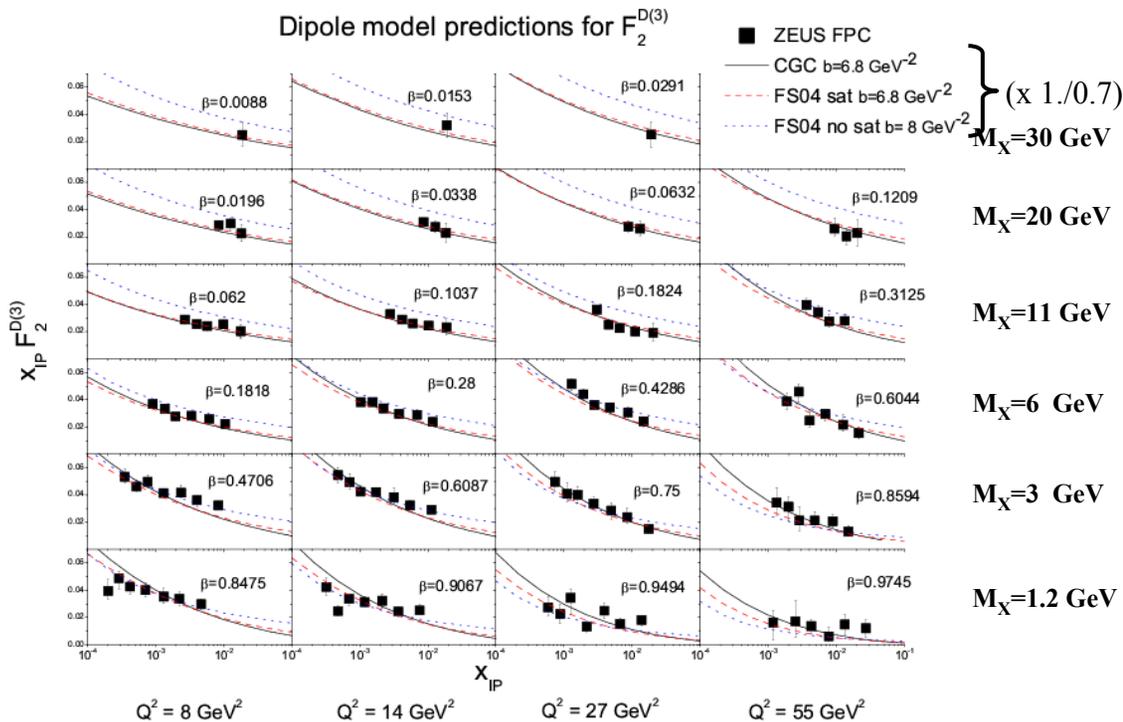
$$F_{qq}^L \propto \beta^3(1 - 2\beta)^2 \quad \text{high } \beta \text{ only} \quad \text{(low } M_x\text{)}$$



# Color dipole model: ZEUS data vs FS and CGC model



High  $Q^2$  from ZEUS  $M_x$  98-99



FS04(Forshaw & Shaw) [hep-ph/0411337](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0411337)

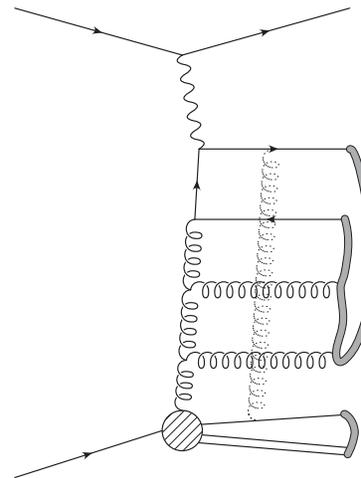
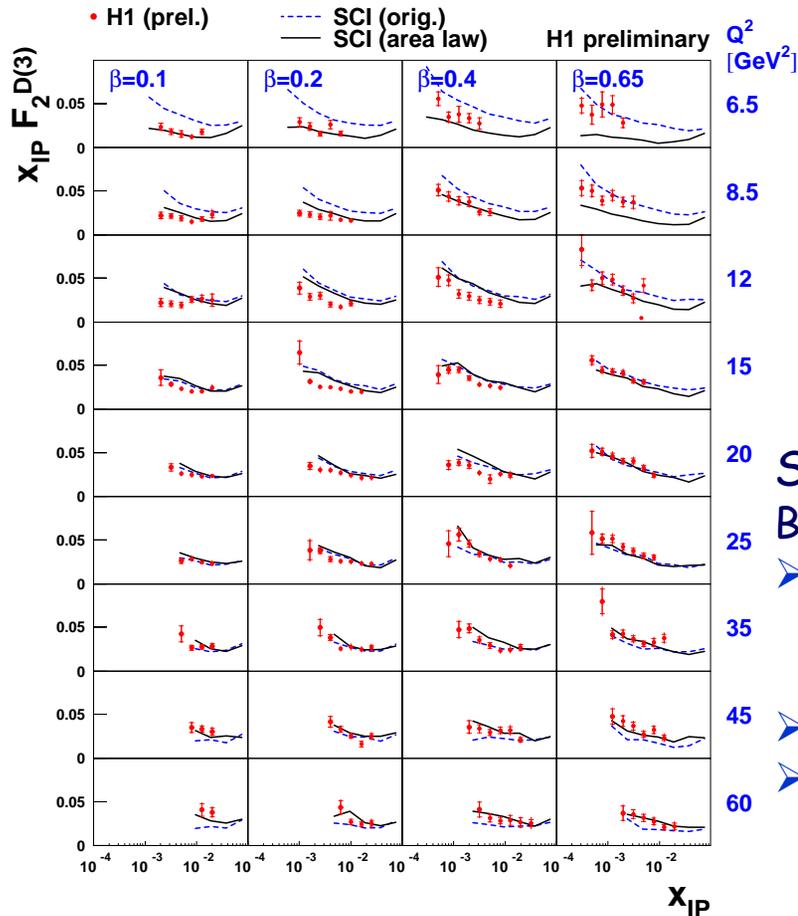
- fit  $F_2$  data and predict  $F_2^{D(3)}$
- need gluon saturation at low  $x$  to describe data

CGC(Color Glass Condensate):  
Iancu, Itakura, Munier [hep/0310338](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep/0310338)

- non-linear saturation effects at high gluon densities
- prediction consistent with data



# Soft Color Interaction: SCI vs H1 data



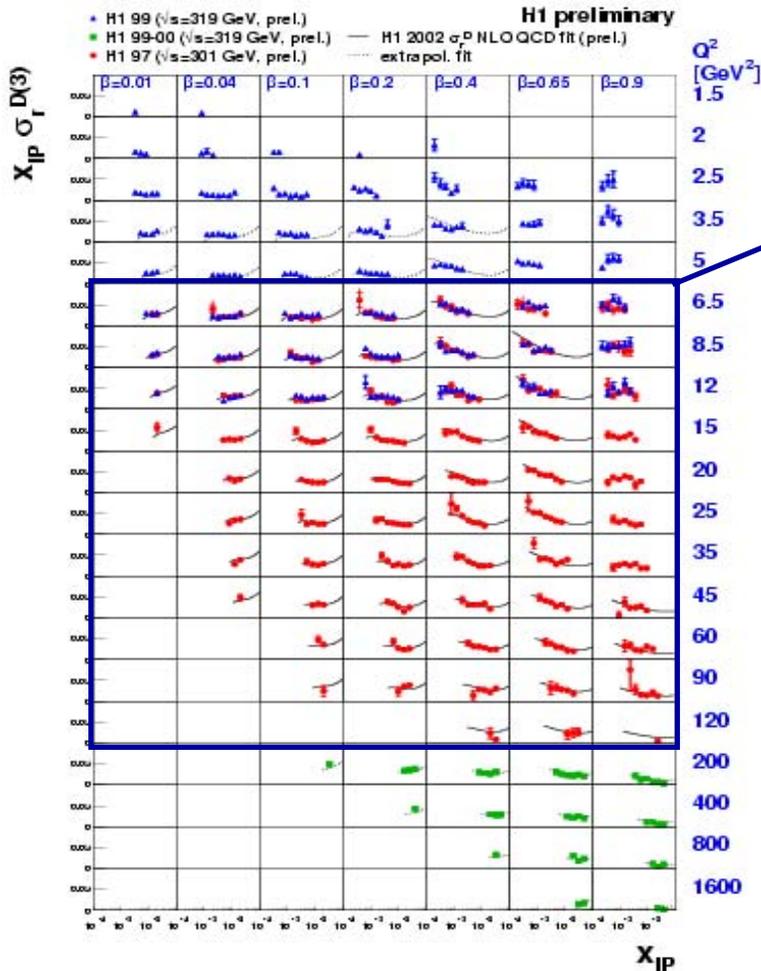
Soft color interaction and QCD rescattering:  
Brodsky, Enberg, Hoyer, Ingelman

hep/0409119

- re-scattering of soft longitudinal gluons on target spectators modifies color field topology  
→ rapidity gap
- $\beta$ -dependence from splittings  $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  and  $g \rightarrow gg$
- same hard sub-process in diffractive and inclusive DIS, same  $Q^2$  and  $W$  dependence



# Reduced cross section: $x_{IP}$ dependence (H1 NLO DGLAP fit)



QCD fit with NLO DGLAP to data  
from 6.5 to 120  $\text{GeV}^2$   
 $\Rightarrow$  **diffractive PDFs**

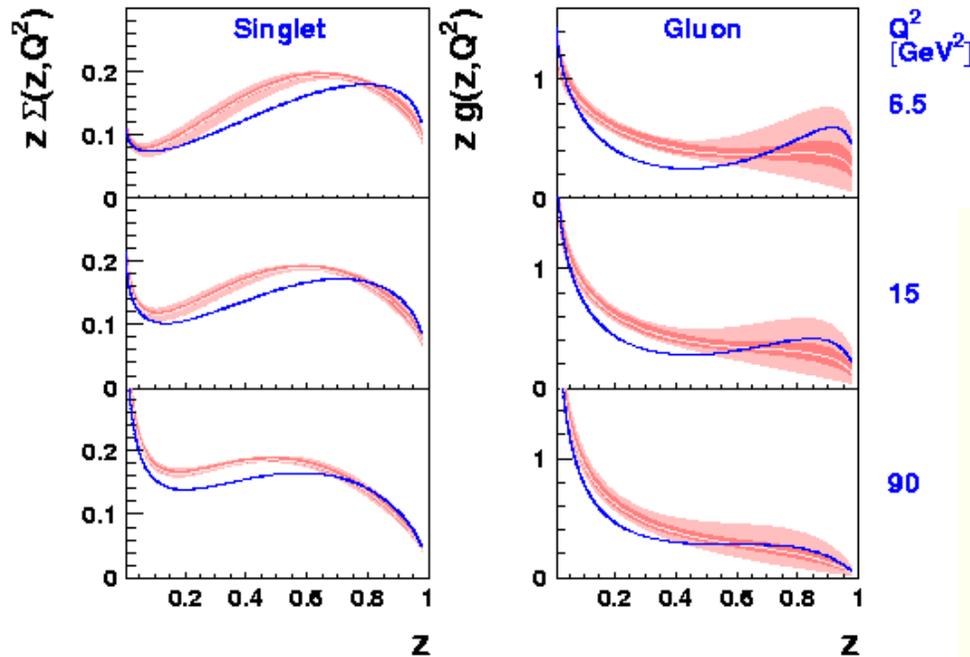
Extrapolation of the fit  
to lower  $Q^2$  and  
to higher  $Q^2$   
shows reasonably good  
description of data!



# NLO DGLAP FIT ⇒ PDF (H1)



H1 2002  $\sigma_r^D$  NLO QCD Fit



H1 2002  $\sigma_r^D$  NLO QCD Fit  
■ (exp. error)  
■ (exp.+theor. error)  
— H1 2002  $\sigma_r^D$  LO QCD Fit

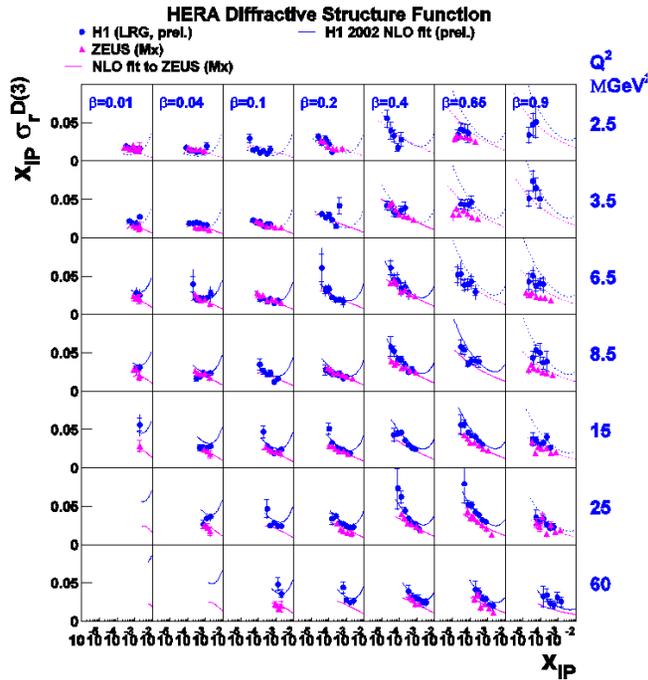
Diffractive PDFs:

- Regge factorisation assumption
- precise measurement of quark singlet distribution

- Dominated by gluons:  
75 ± 15% gluon momentum fraction
- large gluon uncertainty at high  $z$   
← need precision measurement at high  $\beta$
- PDFs from fit useful to test QCD factorisation in **charm ( $D^*$ ) and dijet analyses.**



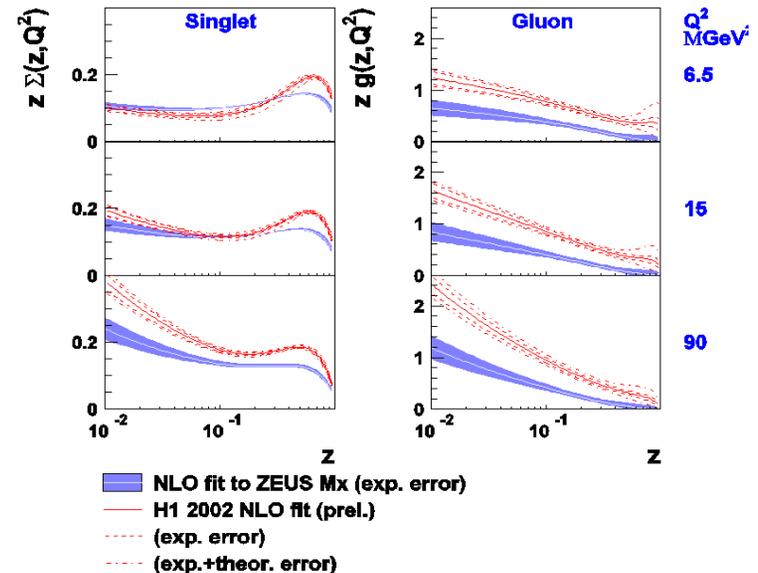
# Comparison of reduced CS: H1 LRG vs ZEUS $M_x$



Newman, Schilling:

- QCD fit similar to H1 fit 2002
- ZEUS  $M_x$  data scaled to  $M_y < 1.6 \text{ GeV}$
- No IR component needed (doesn't improve fit)

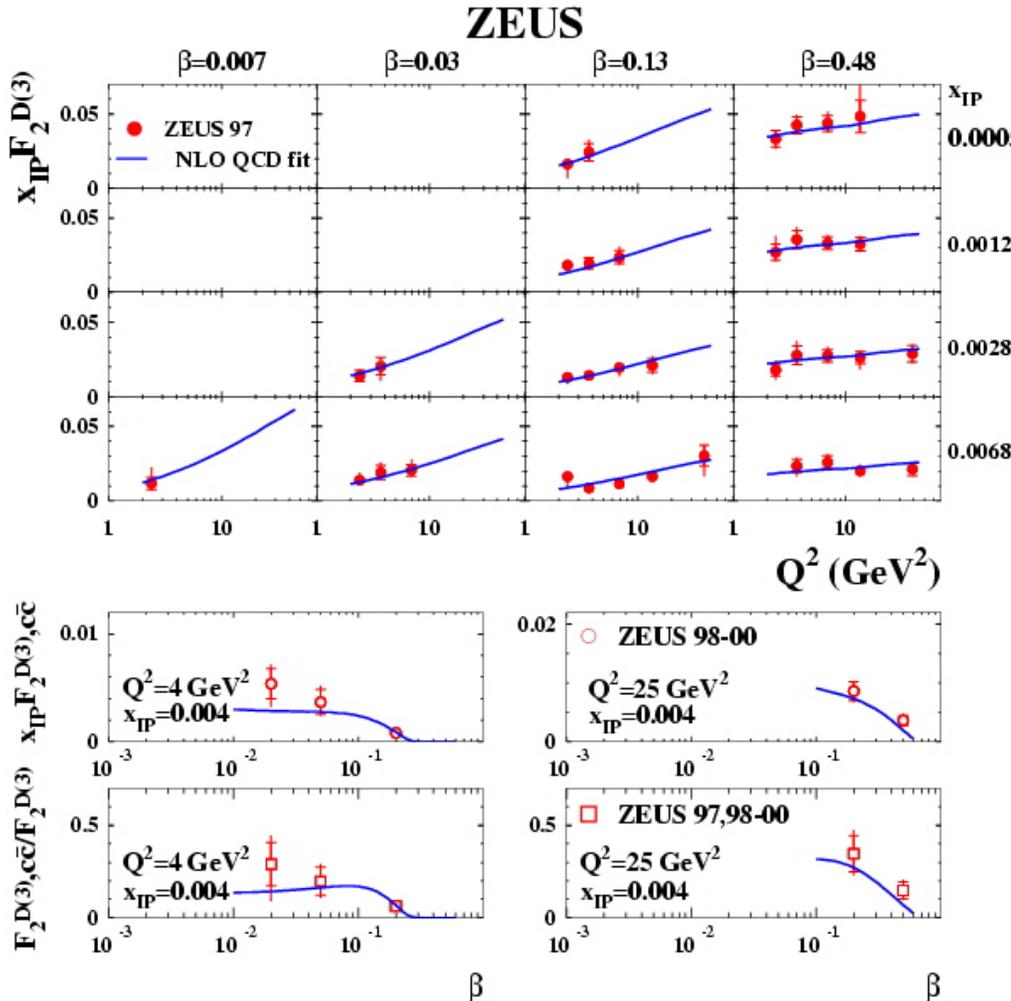
NLO QCD fits to H1 and ZEUS data



- Reasonable agreement between H1 LRG and ZEUS  $M_x$  data
- Differences at higher  $\beta$  (low  $M_x$ )
- ZEUS  $M_x$  data: smaller positive scaling violations seen
- fraction of gluon momentum: 55%



# NLO DGLAP FIT ⇒ PDF (ZEUS LPS)



Diffractive PDFs:

- Regge factorisation assumption
- diffractive charm data included in fit
- PDF parametrisation at initial scale  $Q_0^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$

Fraction of gluon momentum at initial scale:

$$82 \pm 8_{\text{stat}} \pm 9_{\text{syst}} \%$$

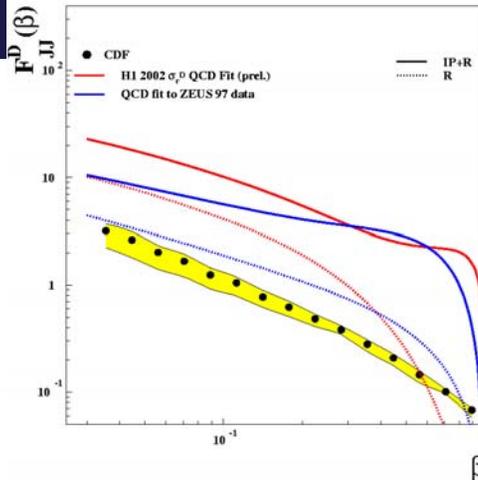
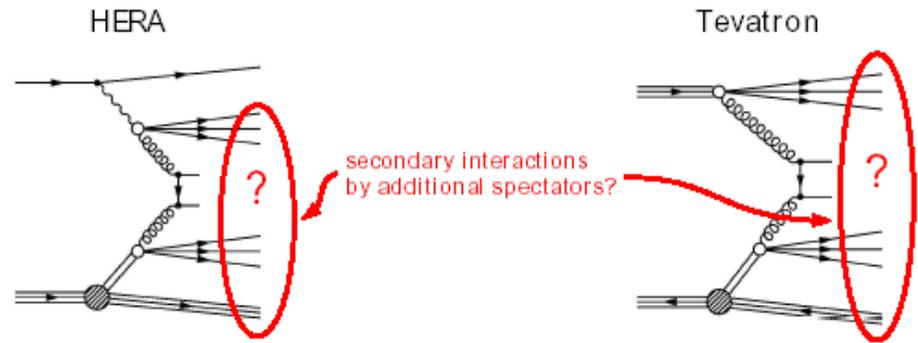
← consistent with H1 result

QCD fit describes data:

$$\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 37.9/36$$



# Comparison to Tevatron



Dijet cross section factor **3-10 lower** than expected using different HERA PDFs

Idea: suppression due to secondary interactions by add. spectators

Kaidalov et al.: resolved part needs to be rescaled by 0.34

*Phys.Lett.B567 (2003),61*

## DIS ( $Q^2 > 5\text{GeV}^2$ ) and direct photoproduction ( $Q^2 \approx 0$ ):

➤ photon directly involved in hard scattering

## Resolved photoproduction:

➤ photon fluctuates into hadronic system, which takes part in hadronic scattering

Test with dijet and charm at HERA:  
 Hard scale:  $E_T$  of jet or charm mass  
 ➤ tests of universality of PDF's (=QCD factorisation)  
 ➤ test of DGLAP evolution

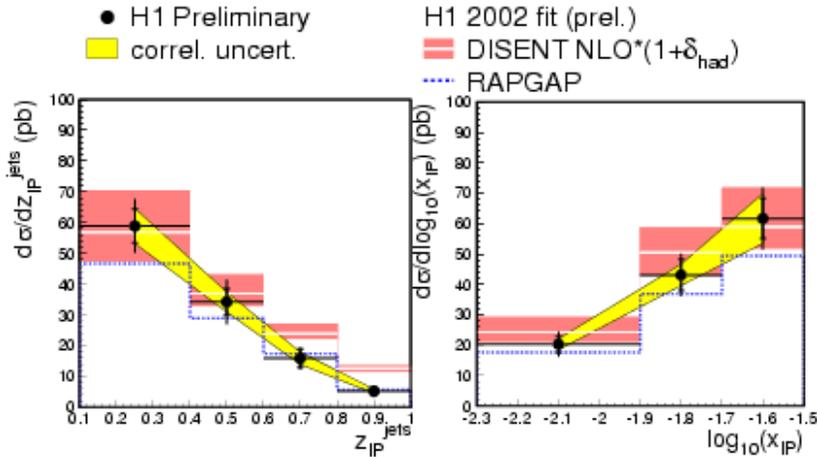


# Diffraction Dijets: DIS

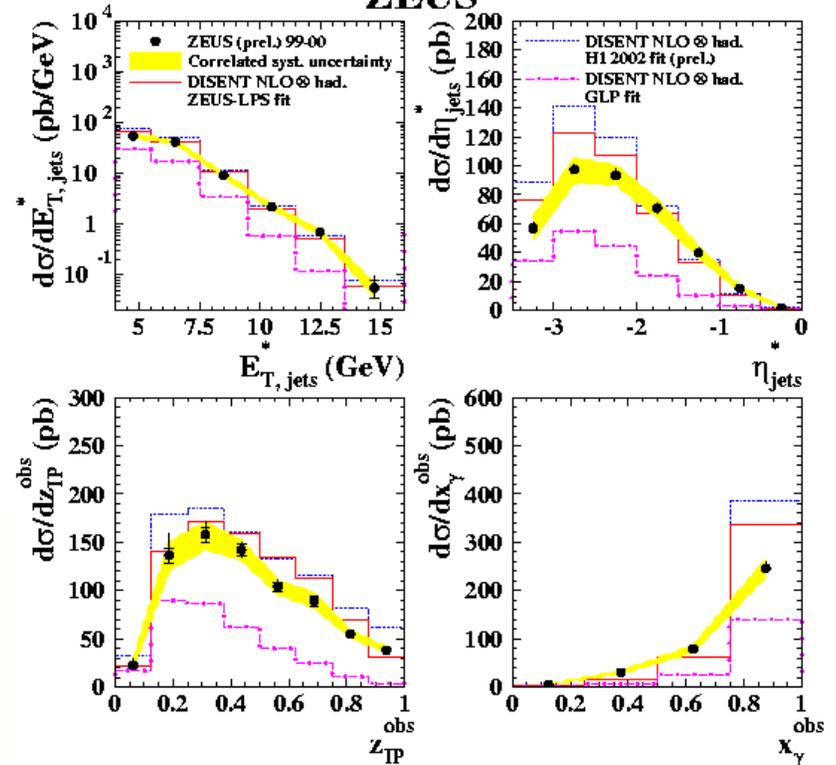


NLO calculations DISENT (diffr. extension)

## H1 Diffractive DIS Dijets



## ZEUS



Agreement with NLO for H1  
 and ZEUS using H1 fit 2002 (prel.)  
 and LPS fit  
 NLO with **GLP fit** (ZEUS  $M_x$  data, see A. Levy DIS05)  
 underestimates data (ZEUS)  
 ← NLO calculations depend on PDFs

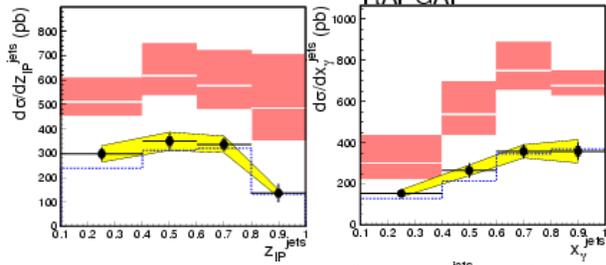


# Diffractive Dijets: $\gamma P$

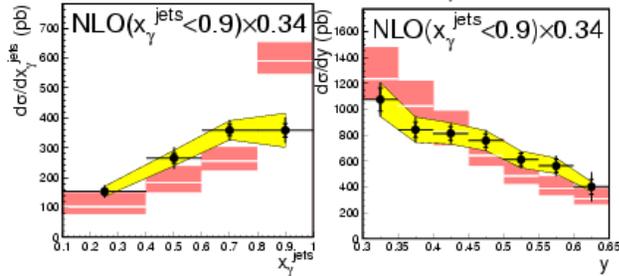


## H1 Diffractive $\gamma P$ Dijets

- H1 Preliminary
- correl. uncert.
- H1 2002 fit (prel.)
- FR NLO\*(1+ $\delta_{had}$ )
- ⋯ RAPGAP

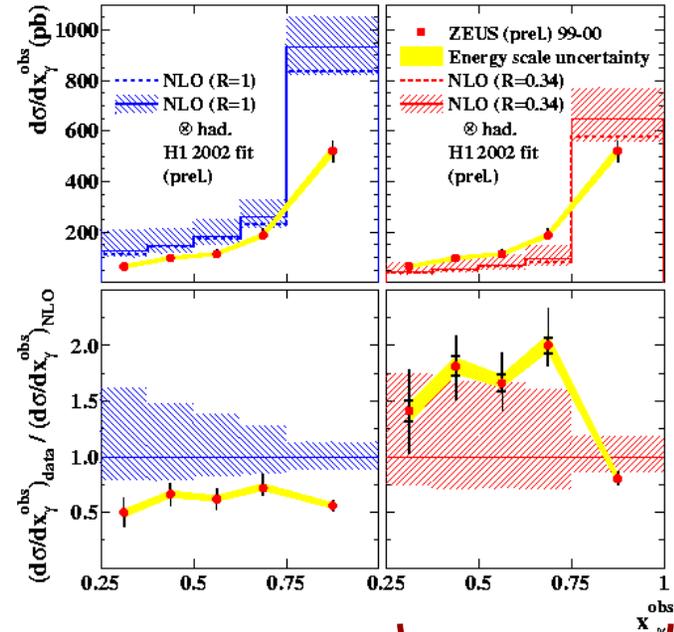


- correl. uncert.
- FR NLO\*(1+ $\delta_{had}$ ), ( $x_y^{jets} < 0.9$ ) $\times 0.34$



scaled by  
factor 0.34

## ZEUS



scaled by  
factor 0.34

H1 and ZEUS:  
NLO overestimates data by factor  $\sim 1.6$ .  
Scaling only resolved part by 0.34  
doesn't describe data.

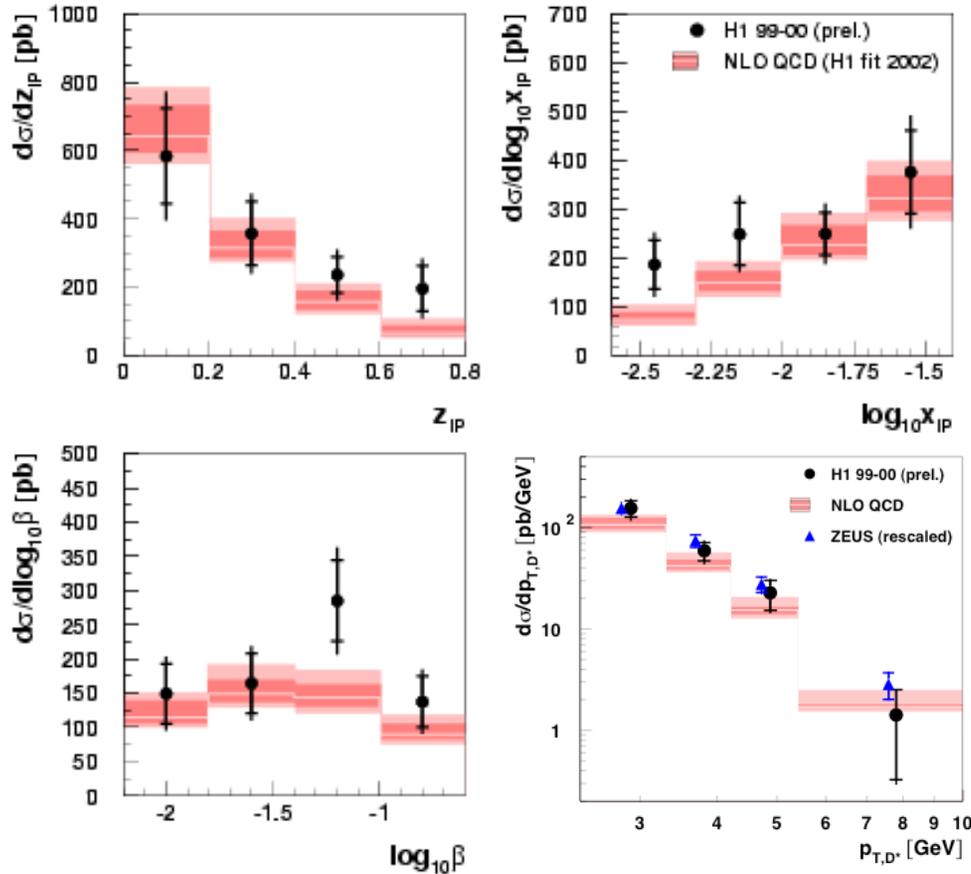
PDF uncertainty?



# Diffractive $D^*$ : DIS



### H1 Diffractive $D^*$

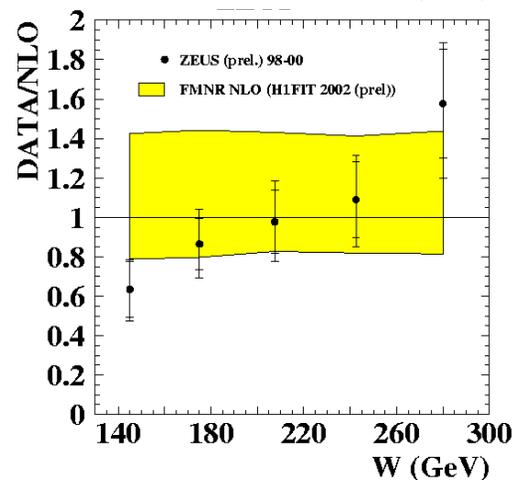
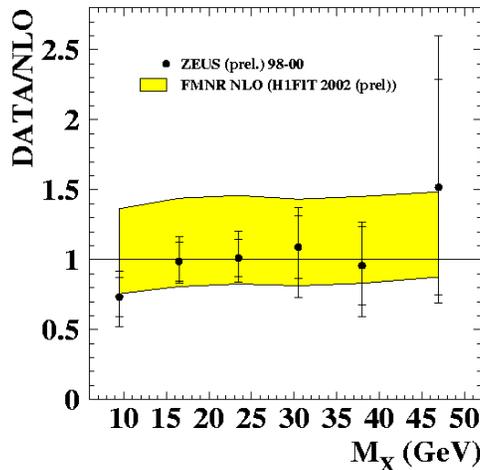
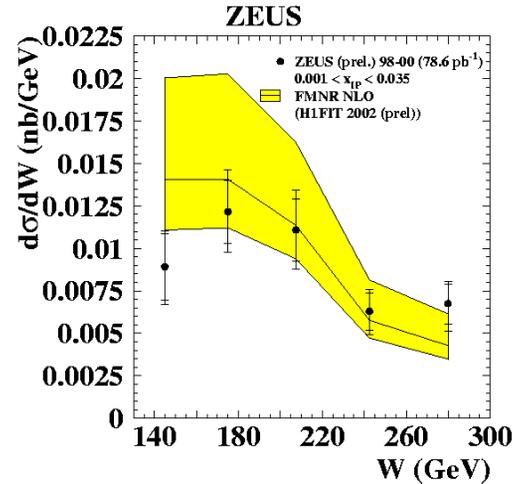
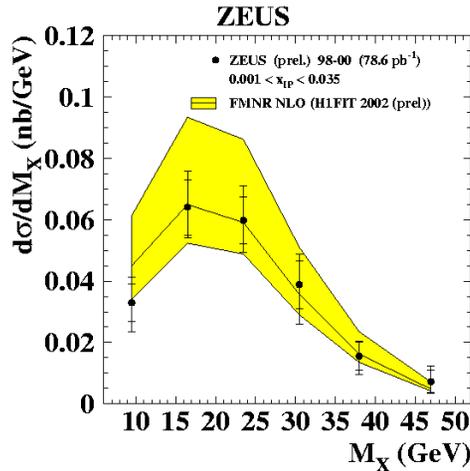


NLO calculations  
HVQDIS with  
H1 PDFs from  
inclusive diffraction

Fairly good description  
for DIS  
← factorisation works



# Diffractive $D^*$ : $\gamma P$



Data not overestimated by NLO calculations!

⚡ Contradiction to dijet results?

Compare with incl.  $\gamma P$  results:

- incl. dijets: data/NLO  $\sim 1$
- diffr. dijets: data/NLO  $\sim 0.6$
- incl.  $D^*$ : data/NLO  $\sim 1.6$
- diffr.  $D^*$ : data/NLO  $\sim 1$

➡ ratio incl./diffr. same for dijets and  $D^*$



# Conclusions and Outlook



H1 and ZEUS: Large number of new diffractive measurements with increased statistics and extended kinematical range:

- indication of increase of intercept  $\alpha_{IP}(0) \rightarrow$  **Regge factorisation breaking**
- $Q^2$  dependence of reduced CS: **large scaling violations** up to  $\beta \sim 0.6$
- **Color dipole** and **QCD rescattering models describe data** reasonably well
  
- diffractive PDFs extracted from DGLAP fits to H1 and ZEUS data:
  - **large gluon contribution** (difference between H1 and ZEUS due to different  $Q^2$  evolution)
  
- test of diffractive PDFs with ep dijets and charm ( $D^*$ ) data:
  - **DIS**: NLO QCD calculations with **diff. PDFs describe data**
  - $\gamma P$ : NLO QCD calculations **overestimate dijet data** by factor 1.6  
 **$D^*$  diff. data described**, but inclusive  $D^*$  data underestimated

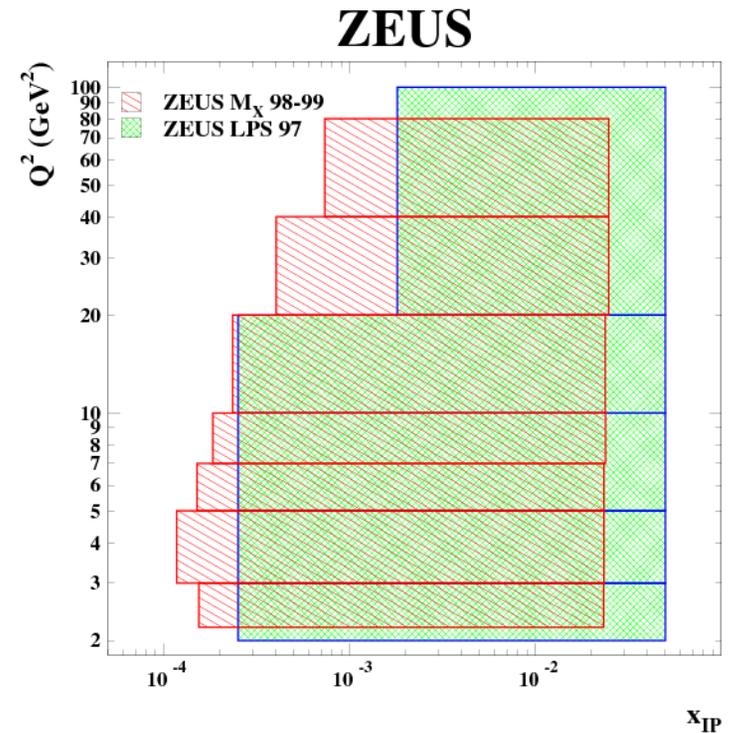
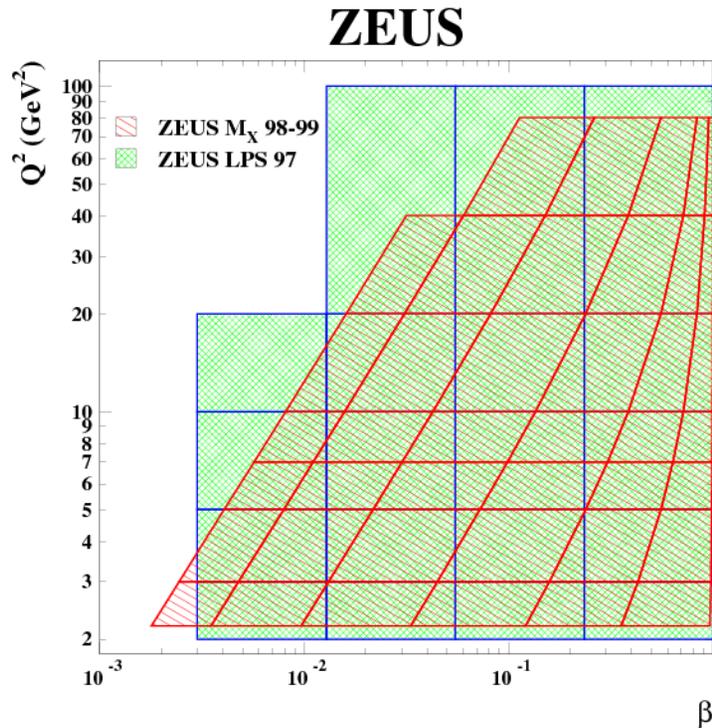


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# Kinematical ranges



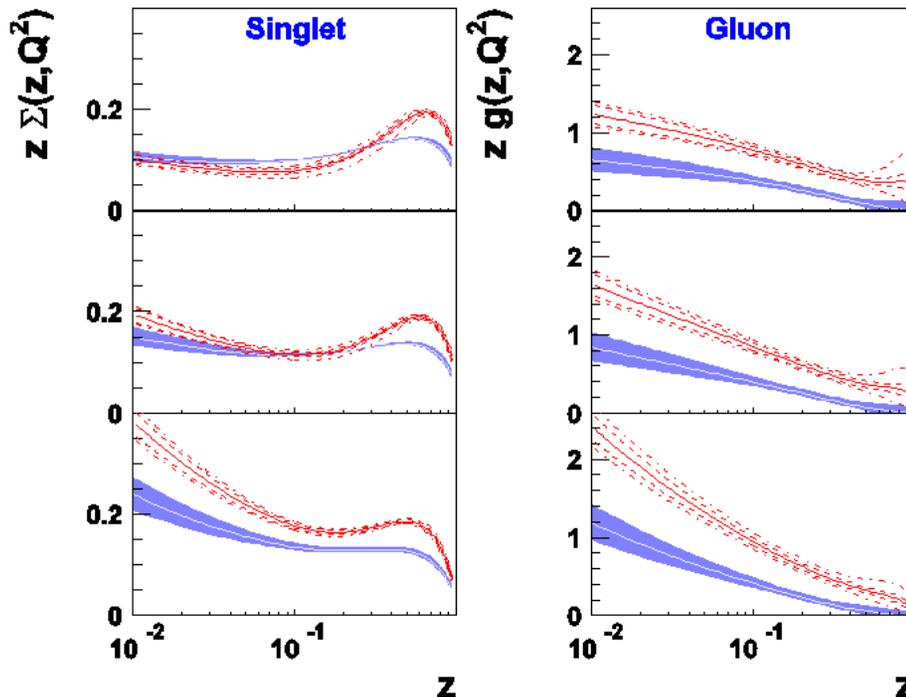
- $M_x$  method: Lower  $M_x$  region / higher  $\beta$  region and lower  $x_{IP}$  region
- LPS method: Higher  $x_{IP}$  region



# Comparison of NLO QCD fits: H1 LRG vs ZEUS $M_x$



NLO QCD fits to H1 and ZEUS data



■ NLO fit to ZEUS  $M_x$  (exp. error)  
— H1 2002 NLO fit (prel.)  
- - - (exp. error)  
- · - · (exp.+theor. error)

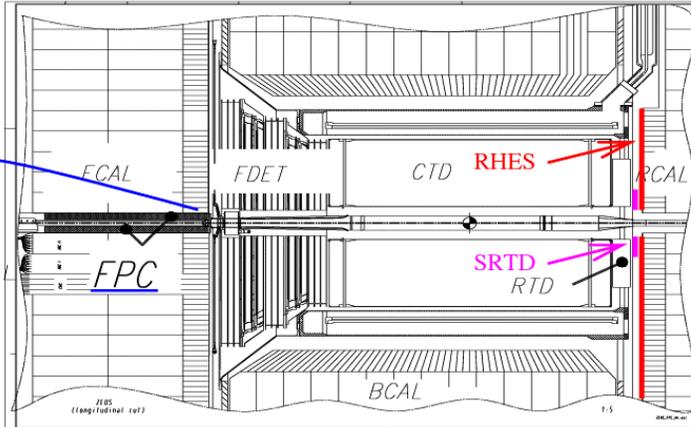
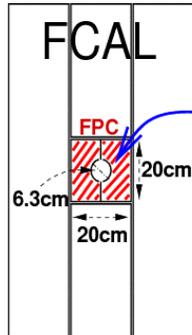
$Q^2$   
 $\text{MGeV}^2$   
 6.5  
 15  
 90

Singlet similar at low  $Q^2$ ,  
 evolving differently at higher  $Q^2$   
 due to coupling to gluon

Significant difference between  
 diffractive gluon densities  
 (almost factor 2) - main reason:  
 different  $Q^2$  evolution

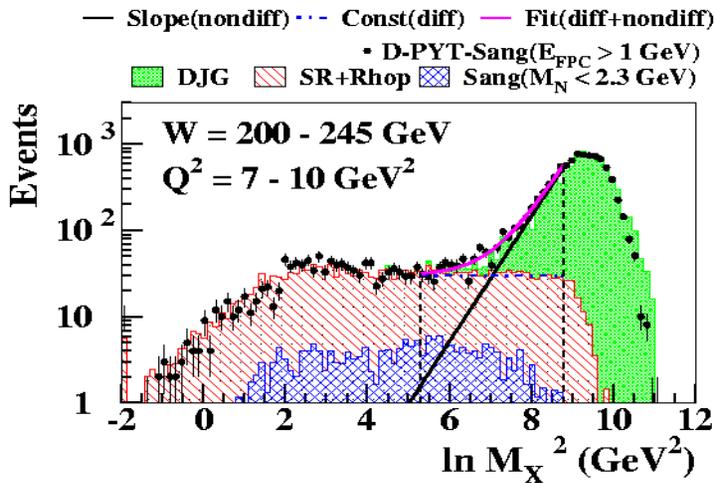


# Event selection with $M_x$ method (ZEUS)



Forward Plug Calorimeter (FPC):  
 CAL acceptance extended in pseudorapidity from  $\eta=4$  to  $\eta=5$

- higher  $M_x$  (a factor 1.7) and lower  $W$
- p-dissociation events: for  $M_N > 2.3$  GeV energy in FPC  $> 1$  GeV recognized and rejected

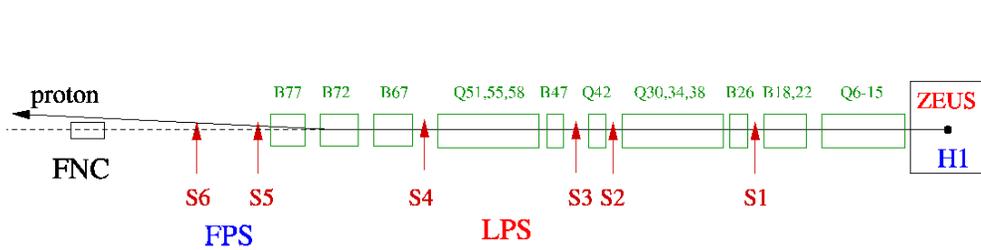


Diffr.    Non-diffr.  
 $\frac{dN}{d \ln M_X^2} = D + c \cdot \exp(b \cdot \ln M_X^2)$   
 (D, c, b from a fit to data)

- flat vs  $\ln M_x^2$  for diffractive events
- exponentially falling for decreasing  $M_x$  for non-diffractive events



# Event selection with LPS (ZEUS and H1)

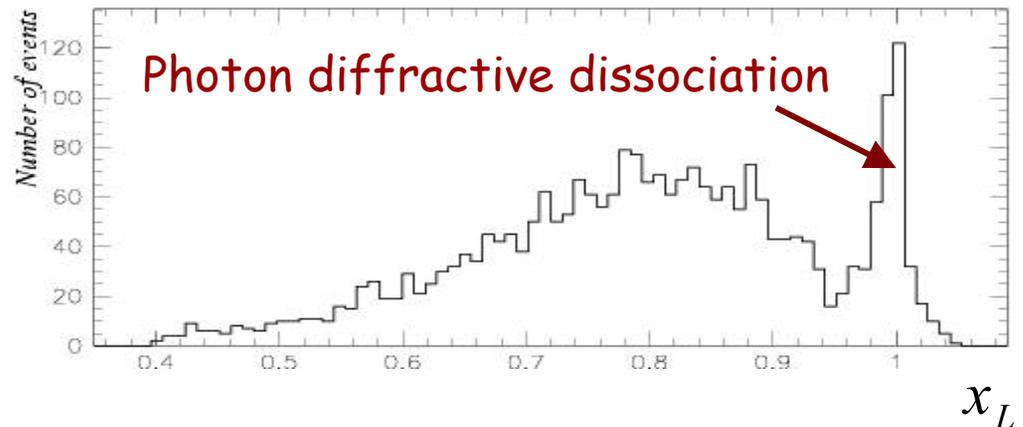


HERA I: ZEUS and H1  
 Leading proton spectrometers  
 HERA II: H1  
 Very forward proton spectrometer (~ 220 m)

- t-measurement
- $x_{IP}$  - measurement (access to high  $x_{IP}$  range)
- free of p-dissociation background
- small acceptance → low statistics

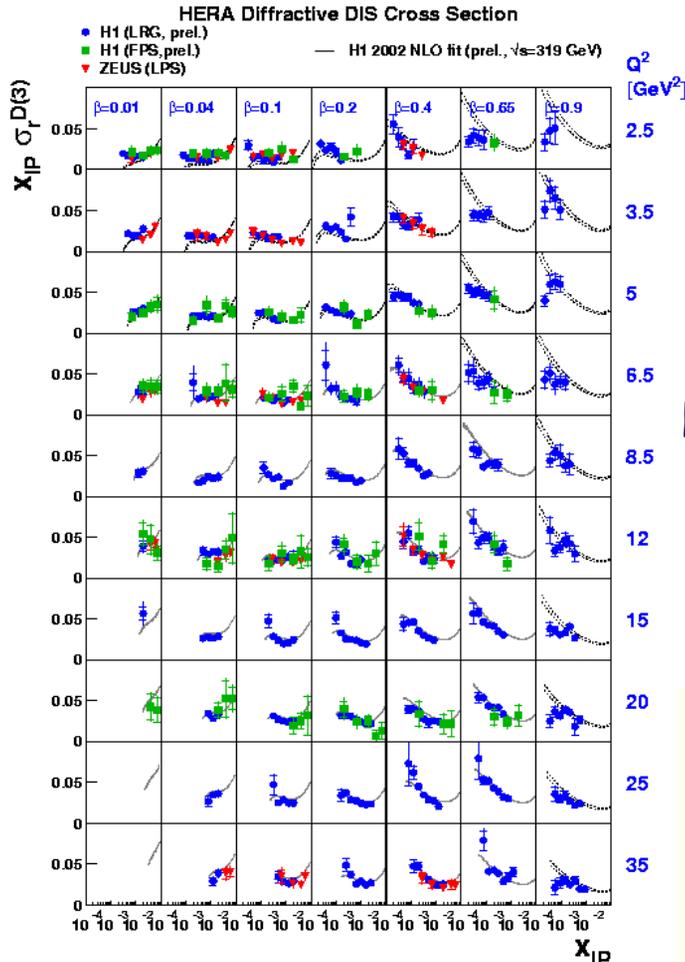
$$x_{IP} = 1 - \frac{E'_p}{E_p}$$

$$x_L = \frac{p'_z}{p_z} \approx 1 - x_{IP}$$





# Reduced cross section: $x_{IP}$ dependence (LRG/LPS Method)



Comparison of different methods:

- Large rapidity gap (LRG)
- Leading proton spectrometer (LPS)
- $M_x$

H1: LRG selection  $\Leftrightarrow$  LPS selection

$M_y < 1.6$  GeV

$|t| < 1$  GeV<sup>2</sup>

$M_y = m_p$

extrapol. to  $|t| < 1$  GeV<sup>2</sup>

(IR contribution constrained at high  $x_{IP}$ )

H1 LRG/LPS ratio: p dissociation contribution  $\sim 10\%$

Good agreement between both methods and both experiments.

ZEUS  $M_x$ /LPS ratio: p dissociation contribution  $\sim 30\%$