

Beauty and Charm Production at Hera Accelerator



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Summary :

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Hera accelerator



Hera is a 6 km long accelerator located in Hamburg. It collides p^+ at 920 GeV with e^\pm at 27.5 GeV.

Experiments on the ring:

- Zeus and H1 with $\sqrt{s} = 319 \text{ GeV}$

Delivered luminosity:

- 190 pb^{-1} 92-00.
- 380 pb^{-1} since 2002. More to come !



Motivation and Aims. Heavy Flavor Production.

- c and b production used as good test for pQCD, due to the large mass scale
- Understanding heavy quark production will be useful at LHC where c and b will make up large parts of the background
- Computing the contribution from charm and beauty to proton structure functions

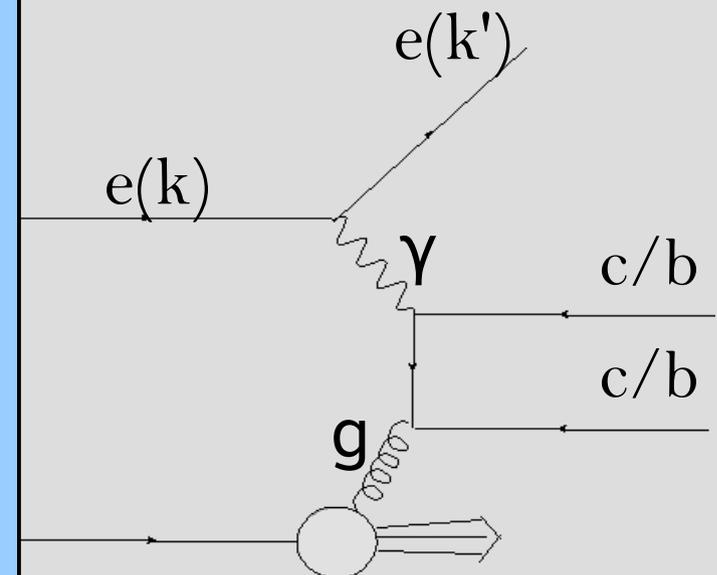
Heavy flavor production dominated by boson-gluon fusion.

Variables used to reconstruct the event:

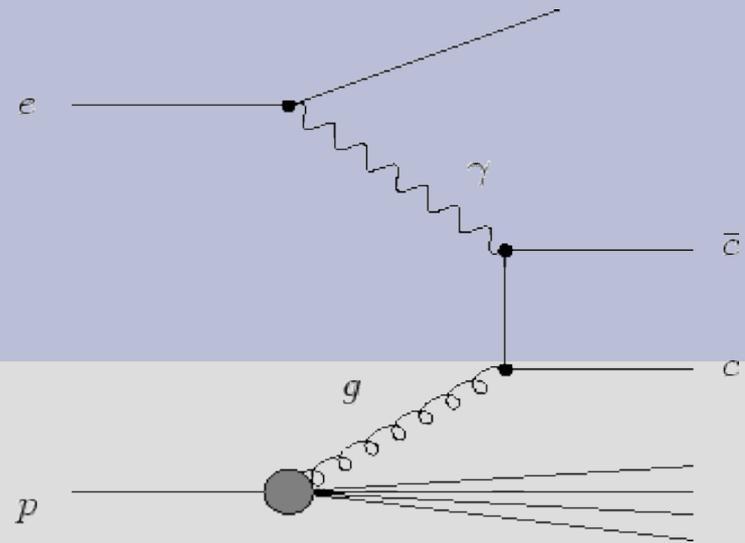
- x : Bjorken scaling variable
- y : energy fraction transferred from e to p
- $Q^2 = -q^2 = -(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{k}')^2$, photon virtuality

Two kinematic regimes:

- Photoproduction , $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$
- DIS , $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$



Charm Fragmentation



Reconstruct D^0 , D^\pm , $D^{*\pm}$ and D_S^\pm charm mesons and charm baryon Λ_C in photo-production. Use their cross-sections to measure:

- Fragmentation fractions. Are they universal?
- Strange suppression. How often do s quarks appear in charm mesons?
- Ratio u/d . Are u and d quarks equally selected to form D mesons?

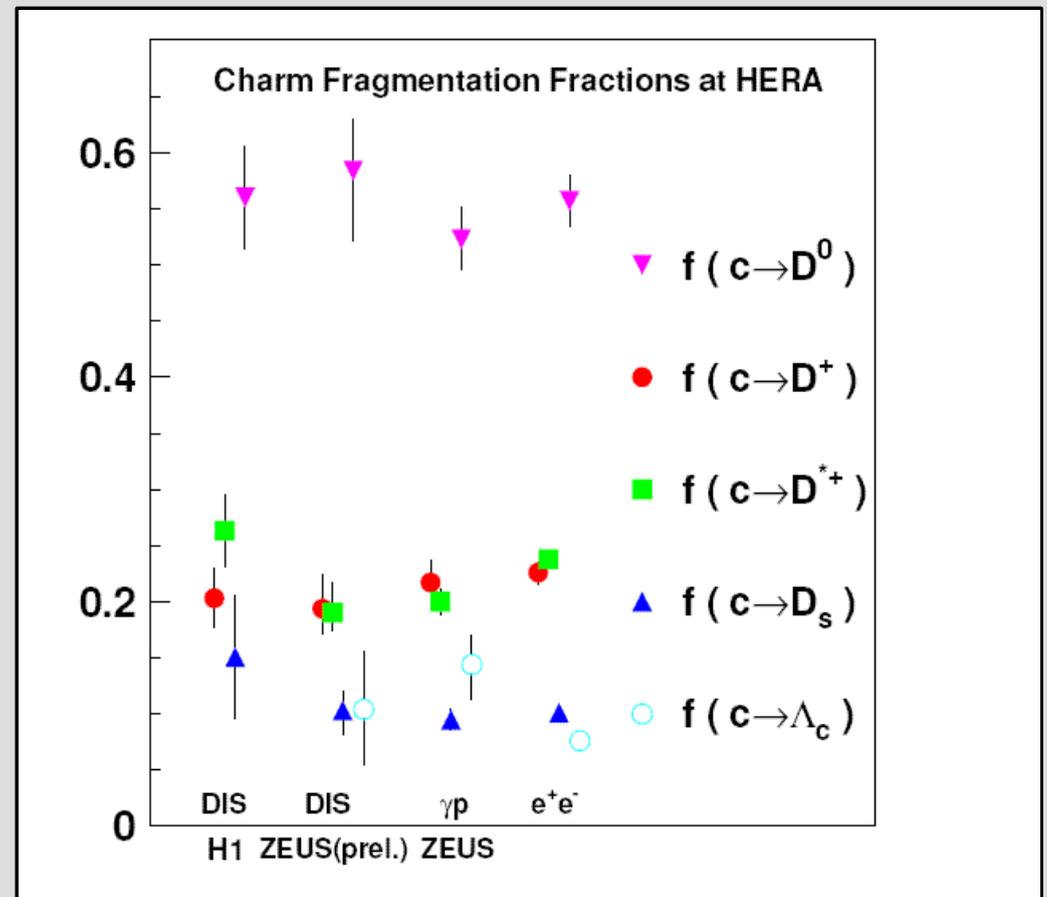
Charm Fragmentation Fractions.

The fraction of c quarks hadronising into a particular charm hadron is given by:

$$f(c \rightarrow D, \Lambda_c) = \frac{\sigma_{D, \Lambda_c}}{\text{Total } \sigma_{GS}}$$

where $\text{Total } \sigma_{GS}$ is a sum of all production σ 's for all c ground states that decay weakly. This is dominated by D^0 , D^\pm , D_s^\pm and Λ_c .

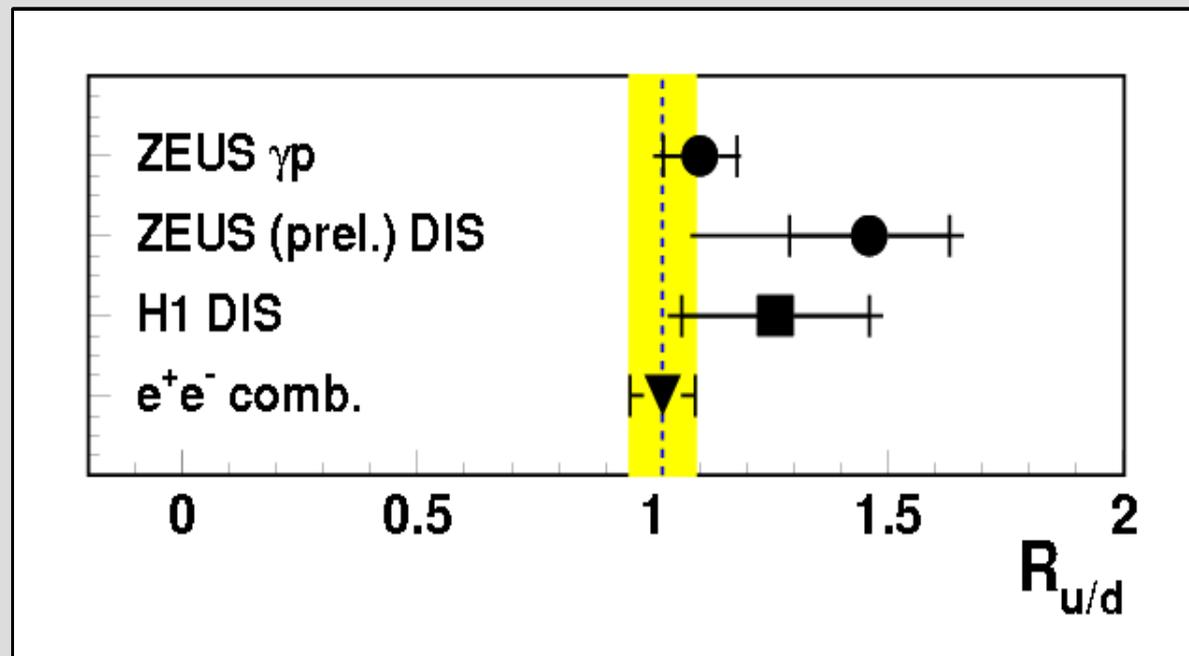
Strange Baryons Ξ_c^+ , Ξ_c^0 and Ω_c^0 included by estimating their contribution to Λ_c as 14%.



Charm Fragmentation. u/d Quark Production Ratio.

The ratio of direct neutral to charged D meson production is defined as:

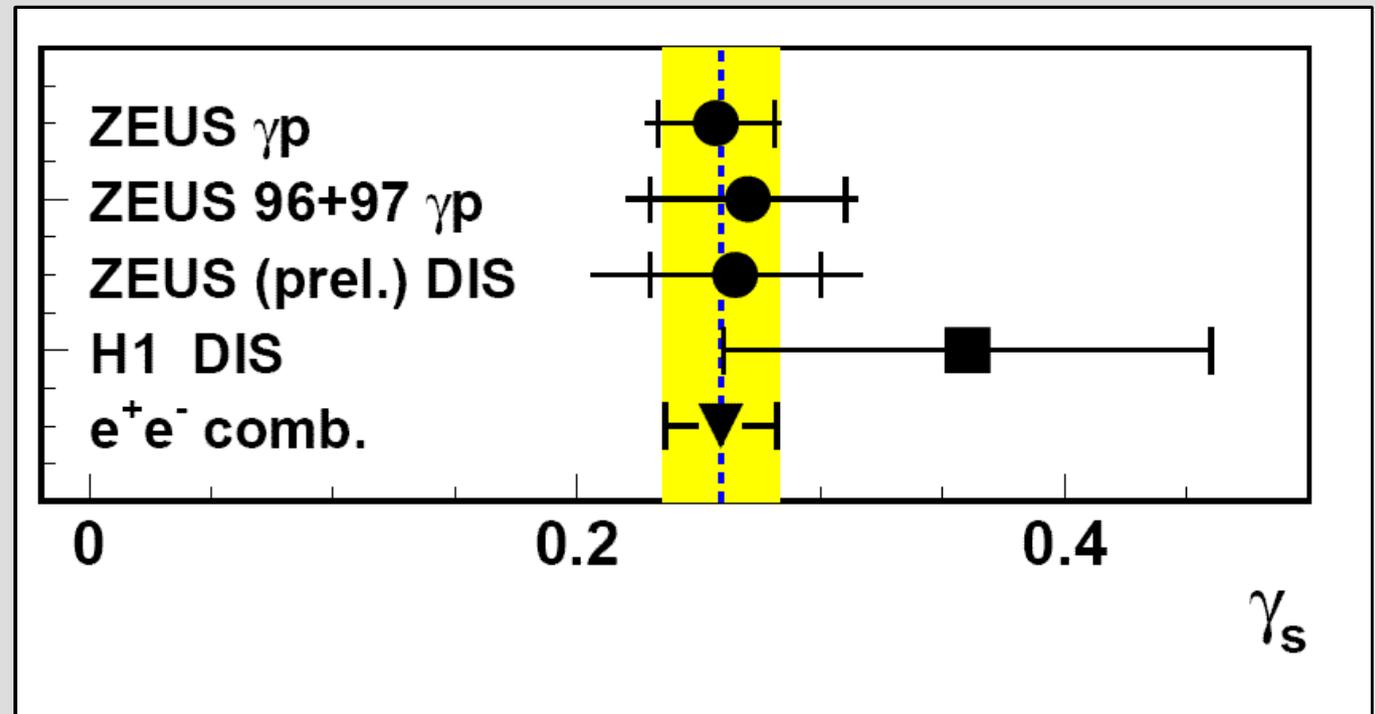
$$R_{u/d} = \frac{\sigma^{dir}(D^0) + \sigma(D^{*0})}{\sigma^{dir}(D^\pm) + \sigma(D^{*\pm})}$$



u and d quarks are made in equal amounts. Strong isospin invariance holds.

Charm Fragmentation. Strangeness Suppression.

Strangeness suppression factor determines the ratio of probabilities to create an s to u/d quarks in the fragmentation process.



$$\gamma_s = \frac{2\sigma(D_s^\pm)}{\sigma(D^\pm) + \sigma(D^0)} = 0.257 \pm 0.024 (stat)$$

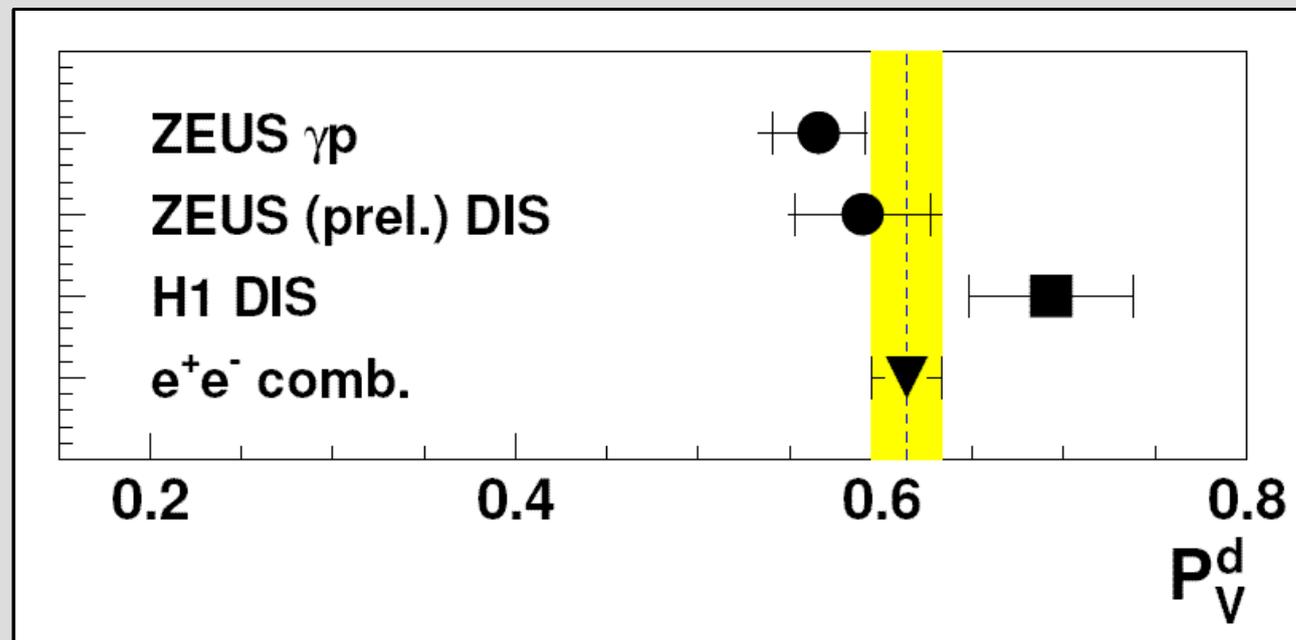
Charm Fragmentation. Fraction of Vector Meson Production.

This measures the fraction of charm mesons produced in a vector state, P_V^d .

By naive spin counting, we expect the ratio to be 75%. This can be checked by measurements of $D^{*\pm}$ and D^\pm :

$$P_V^d = \frac{\sigma(D^{*\pm})}{\sigma(D^{*\pm}) + \sigma^{dir}(D^\pm)} = 0.566 \pm 0.025 (stat)$$

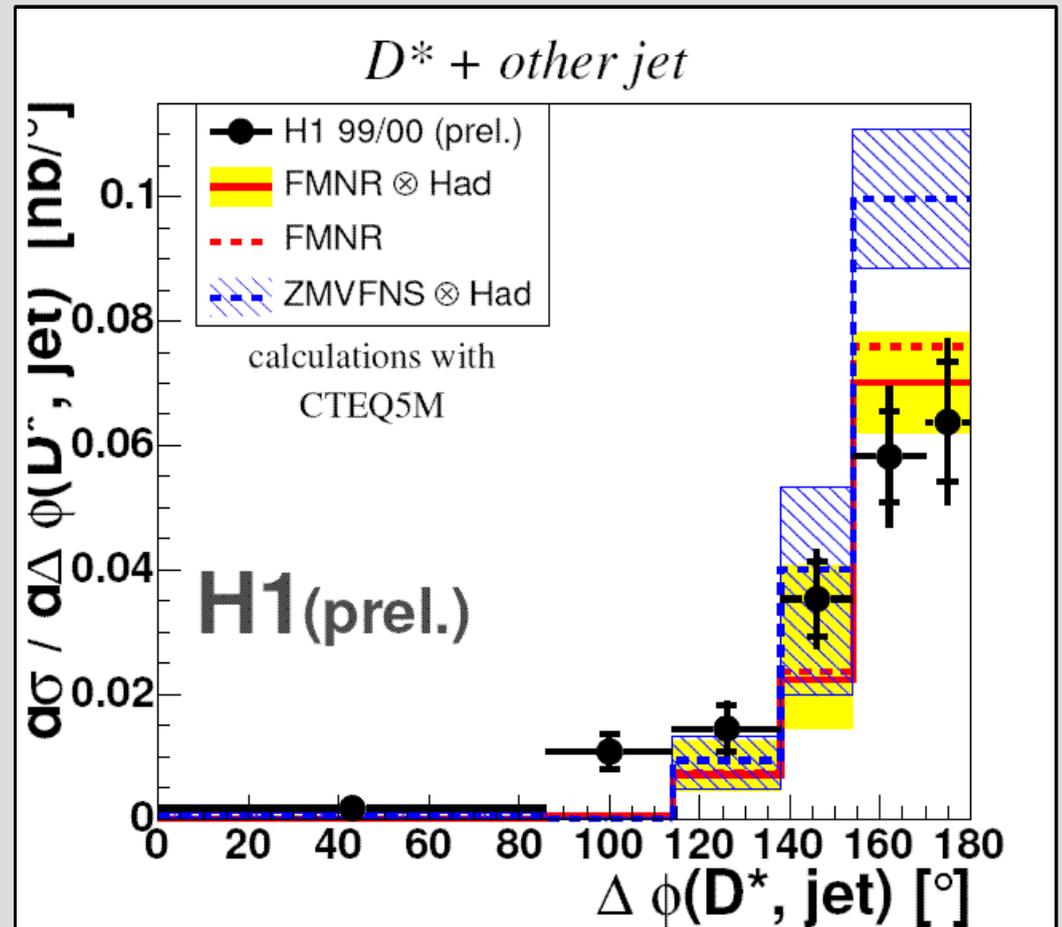
. Simple spin counting fails with charm !!!



Testing pQCD. D* + Jet in PhP.

H1 measured the differential cross-section $e^- + p \rightarrow D^* + \text{Jet}$ in photoproduction. To leading order prediction, jets should be back to back.

We see here contributions from higher order QCD radiation. The measurement is compared to both massive and massless schemes of pQCD calculations.



At $\Delta\phi < 120^\circ$, NLO prediction is smaller than measured cross-section

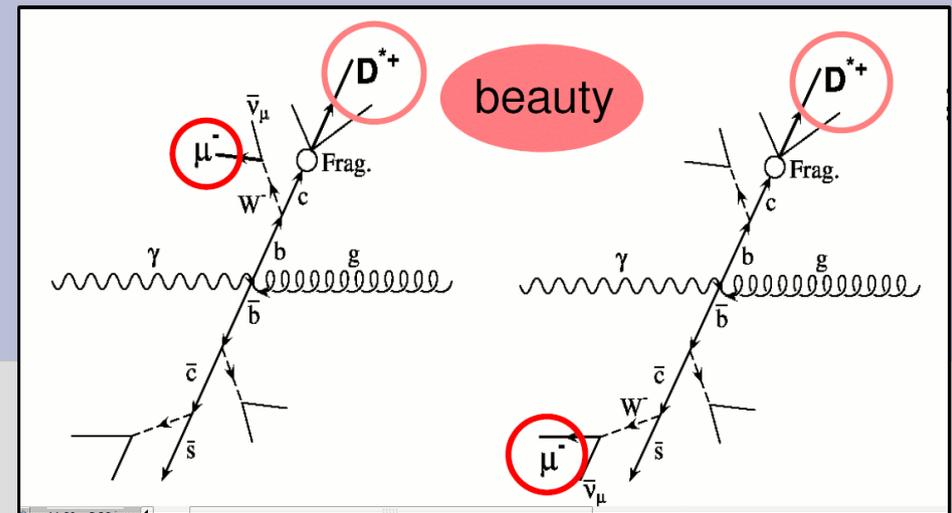
Beauty Production

Part II

b tagging with $D^* + \mu$

Total cross-section

96-00 data $\sim 114 \text{ pb}^{-1}$



Kinematic region:

$$p_T(D^*) > 1.5 \text{ GeV} \quad -1.5 < \eta(D^*) < 1.5$$

$$p(\mu) > 2 \text{ GeV} \quad -1.73 < \eta(\mu) < 1.73$$

Photoproduction only: $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$, $0.05 < y < 0.85$

H1 $\sigma_{\text{vis}} = 206 \pm 53(\text{stat}) \pm 35(\text{syst.}) \text{ pb}$ (published)

ZEUS $\sigma_{\text{vis}} = 189 \pm 48(\text{stat})^{+80}_{-73}(\text{syst.}) \text{ pb}$ new

Measured Zeus and H1 cross-sections are consistent.

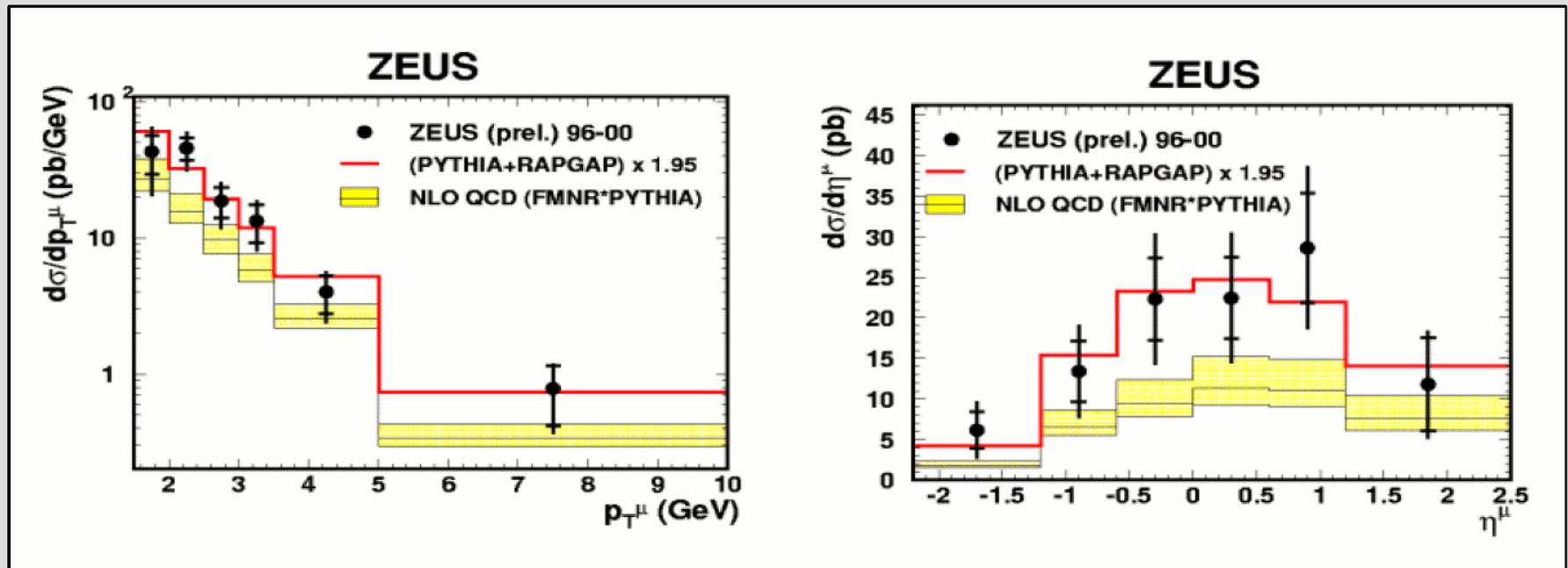
b tagging with $\mu\mu$

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Kinematic region:

1st μ : $p_T > 1.5 \text{ GeV}$ $-2.2 < \eta < 2.5$

2nd μ : $p_T > 0.75 \text{ GeV}$ $-2.2 < \eta < 2.5$



Above, differential cross-sections w.r.t. p_T and η for $bb \rightarrow \mu\mu$.
Reasonable agreement in shape between MC, data and NLO.

Extraction of F_2^{QQ}

F_2^{QQ} is measured from c/b double differential cross-sections:

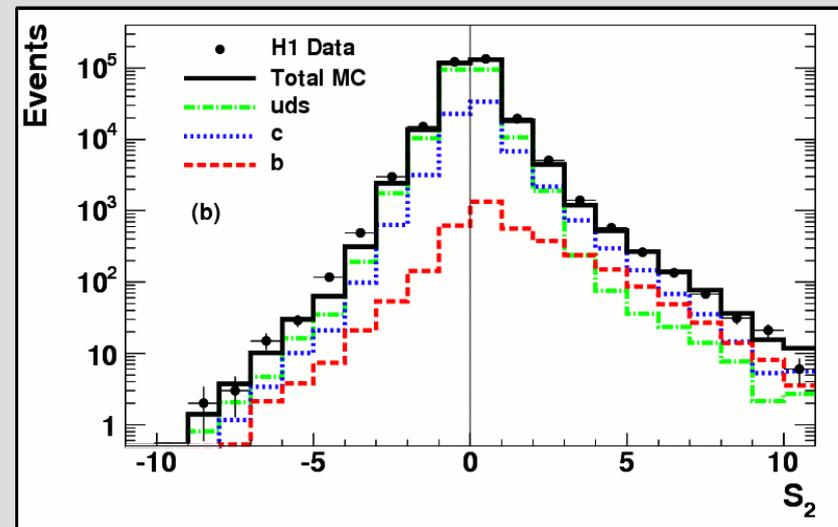
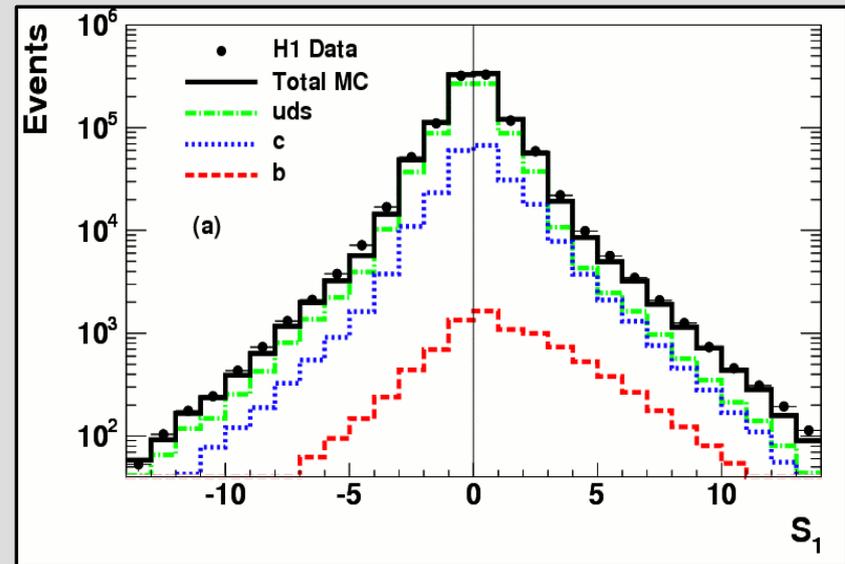
$$\frac{d^2 \sigma^{q\bar{q}}(x, Q^2)}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{2\pi \alpha^2}{x Q^4} ([1 + (1-y)^2] F_2^{Q\bar{Q}}(x, Q^2) - y^2 F_L^{Q\bar{Q}}(x, Q^2))$$

- Previous measurements used D^* cross-sections to determine F_2^{cc} .
- New H1 F_2^{cc} and F_2^{bb} measurement uses inclusive lifetag.

Inclusive b quarks in DIS. Lifetime Tag.

One can use the impact parameter of any track w.r.t. the interaction point. These are the distributions of impact parameter significance $S = \delta / \sigma(\delta)$. The upper plot shows the significance of absolute most significant track. The positive tail shows the charm to light flavor ratio increase. Below, the tail of second most significant track gives the beauty to light flavor ratio increase.

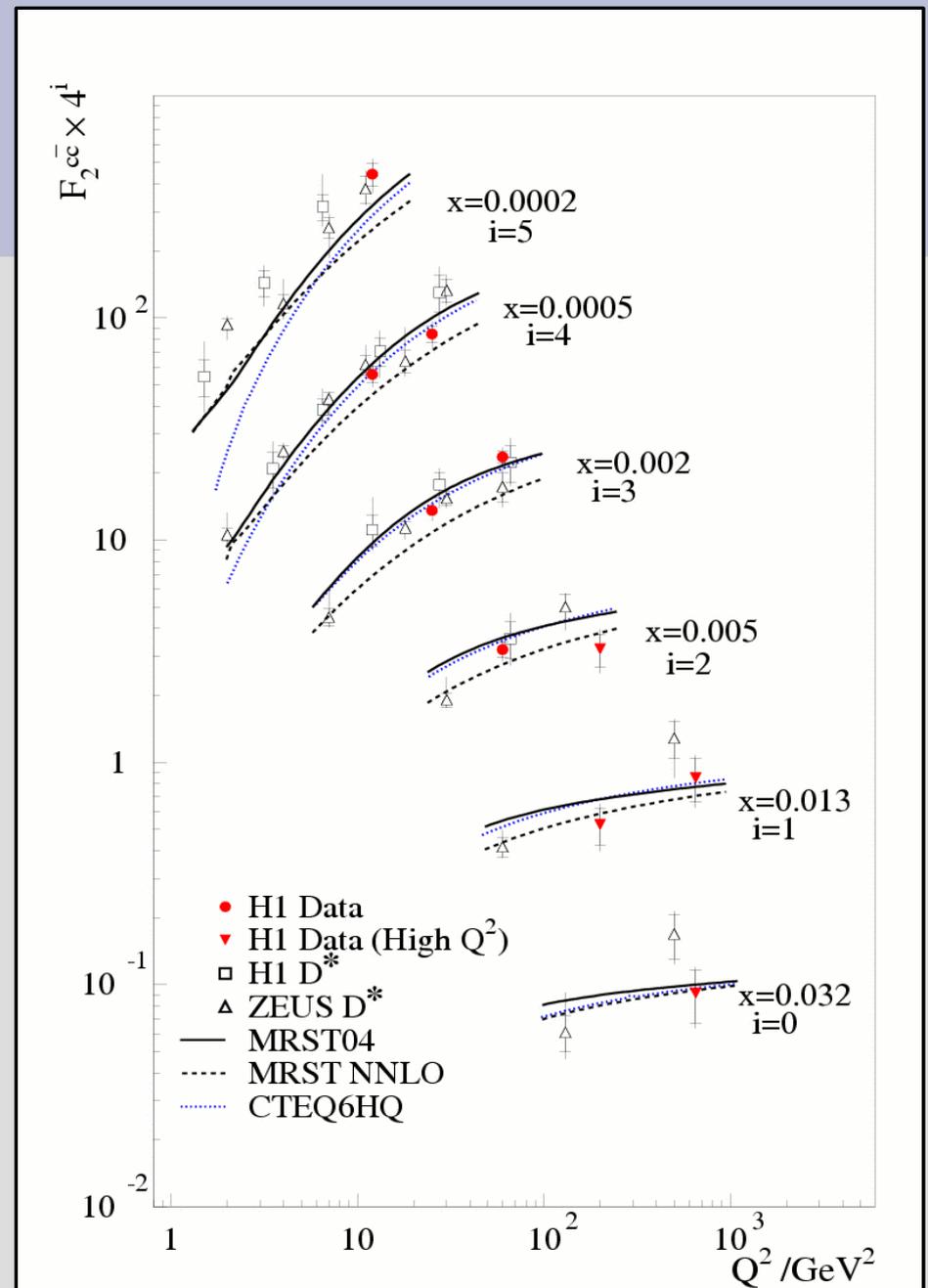
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Proton Structure Functions: F_2^c

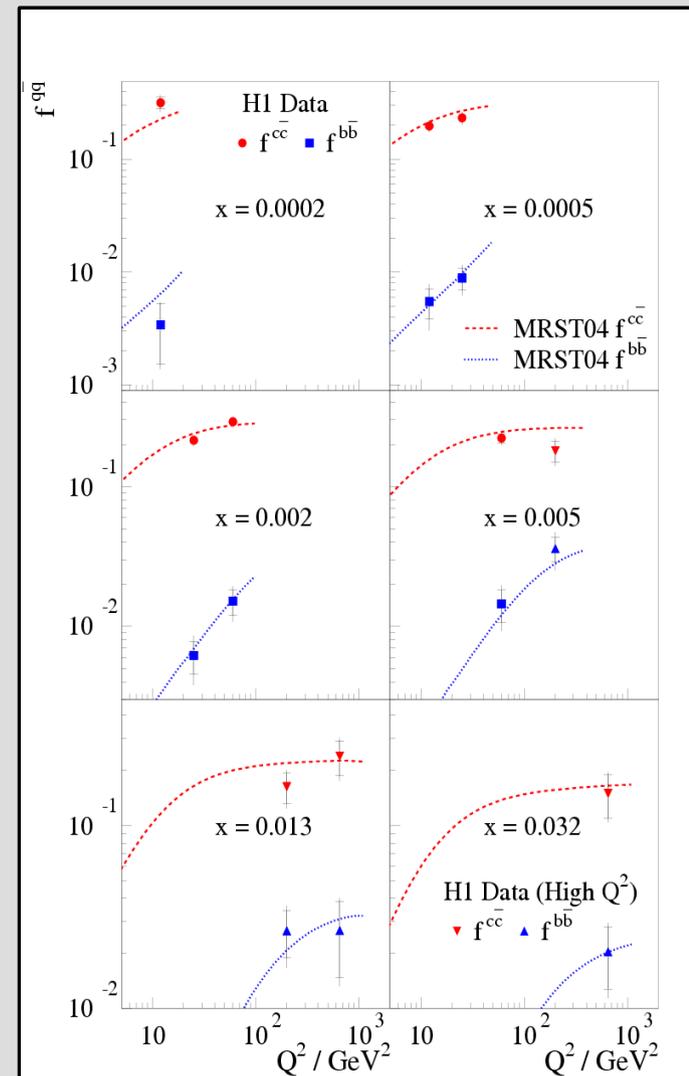
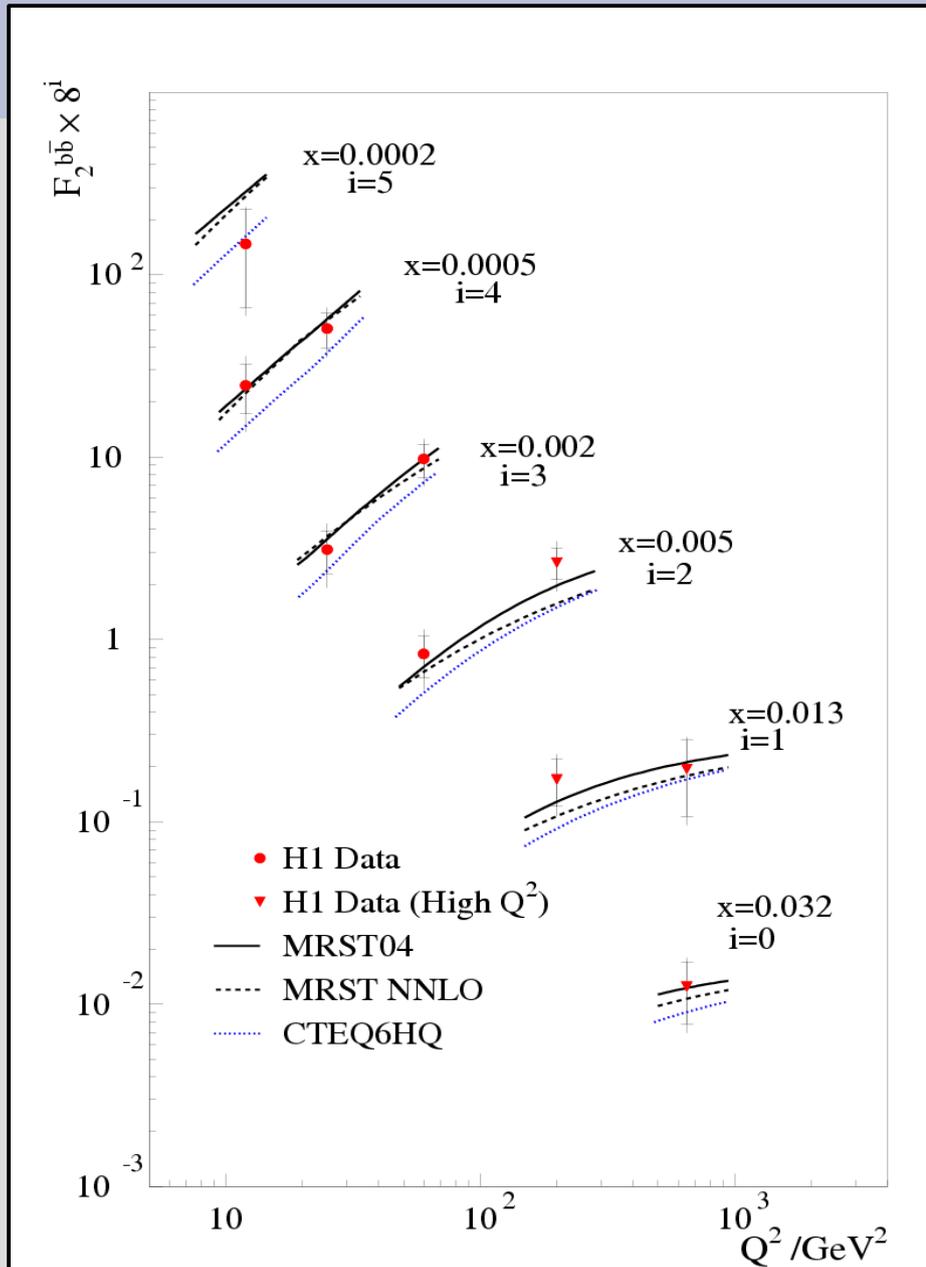
H1 uses inclusive lifetime tag to measure pdfs.

- QCD calculations fit reasonably well to data.
- NNLO calculation now available.
- Positive scaling violation increases with decreasing x : gluon dominates the initial state.



Proton Structure Functions: F_2^b

Beauty and Charm contributions to F_2



Dijet PhP + μ

$$e p \rightarrow e' + b \bar{b} + X \rightarrow e' + \text{dijet} + \mu + X$$

Kinematic region:

$$Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2 \quad 0.2 < y < 0.8$$

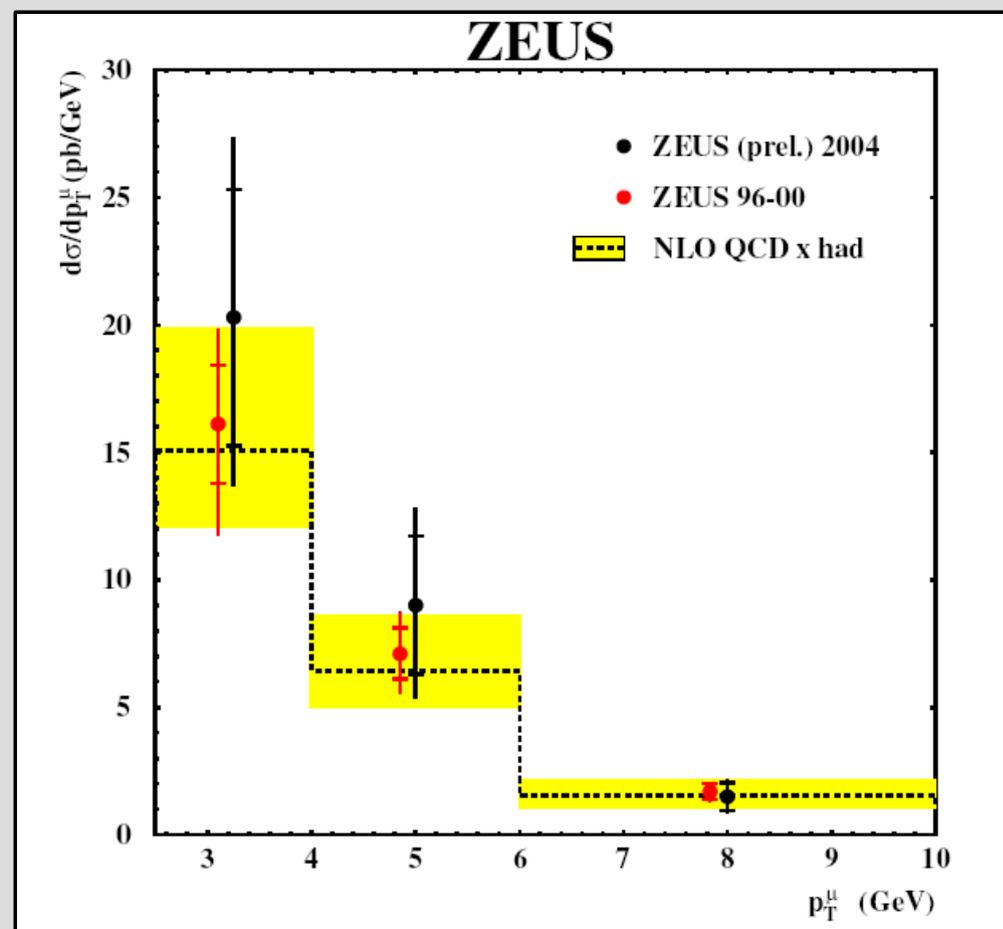
$$p_{\perp}^{\text{jet}} > 7 \text{ GeV} \quad |\eta^{\text{jet}}| < 2.5$$

$$p_{\perp}^{\mu} > 2.5 \text{ GeV} \quad -1.6 < \eta^{\mu} < 2.3$$

First Zeus beauty result from
Hera II.

Agreement with NLO QCD
prediction (FMNR)

Agreement with Zeus data from
Hera I (3x more statistics)

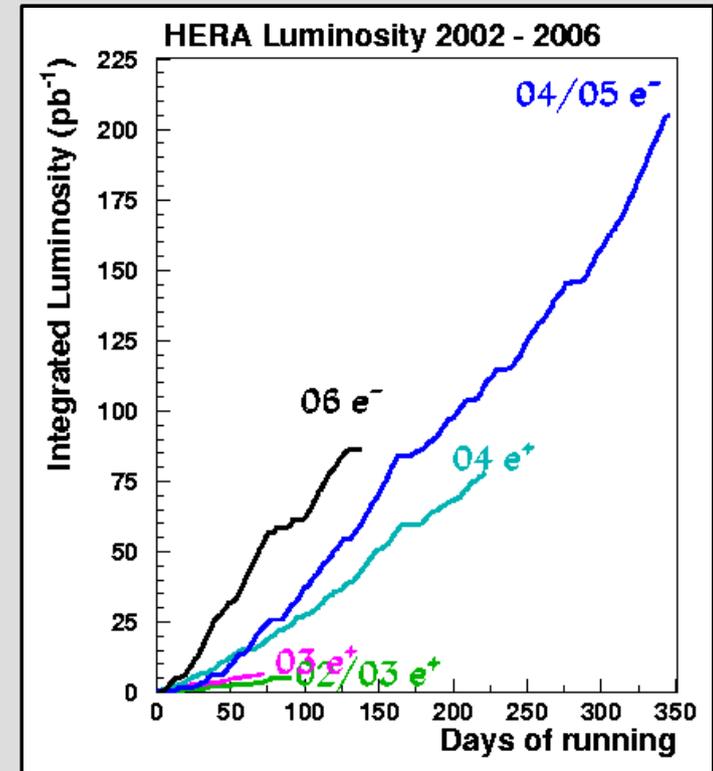


New results expected soon !!!

Conclusions and Outlook



- Zeus and H1 results consistent with charm fragmentation universality. Charm fragmentation fractions are competitive with e^+e^- results.
 - Cross-sections well described by NLO pQCD. Nevertheless, higher order calculations are needed in some regions.
 - Charm and beauty contributions to F_2 have been measured.
 - New techniques for tagging charm/beauty mesons have been/ are being applied.
 - Most of the Hera II data still not analyzed yet.
 - New results awaited as Hera II luminosity already surpassed Hera I.
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- The vertex detectors of Zeus and H1 are very promising regarding new techniques for tagging charm and beauty mesons.

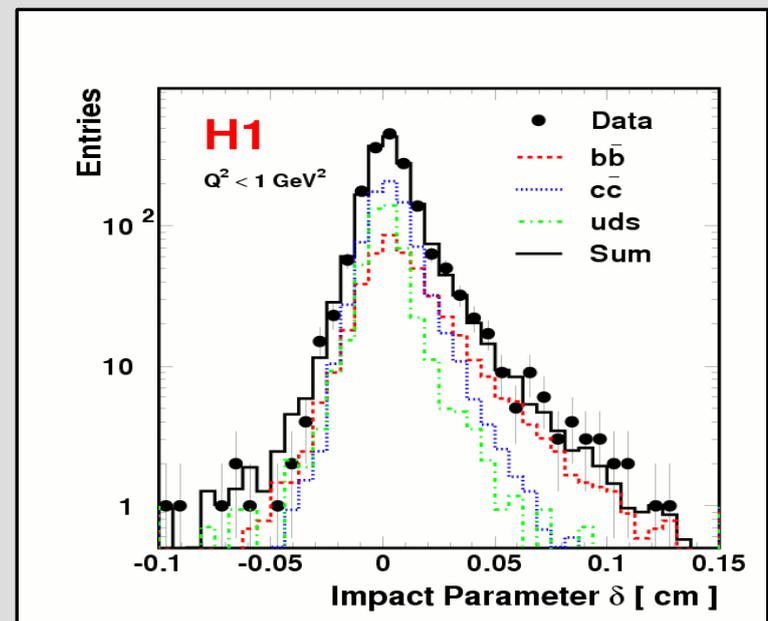
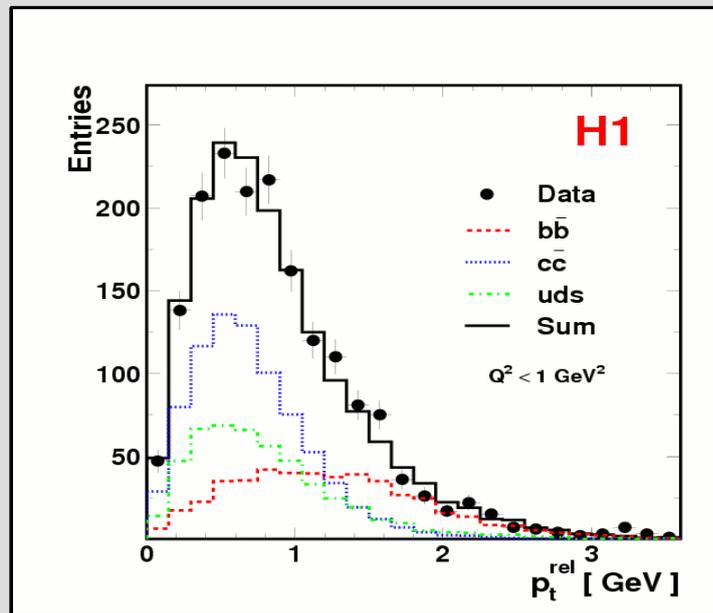


b quarks from μ impact parameter and P_T^{rel}

H1 uses the vertex detector to tag muons in PhP.

We see that light flavors show a symmetric impact parameter distribution as long as charm and beauty have a positive excess.

At high P_t^{rel} , the contribution from beauty falls less rapidly than the light flavors.



Fractions of c and b are determined from likelihood distributions to data.