

### **Recent HERA results on hard QCD and**

### heavy flavour production



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### HERA

**HERA:** world's only e<sup>±</sup>p collider

Energies:  $E_{e\pm} = 27.6 \text{ GeV} \quad E_p = 460-920 \text{ GeV}$ centre-of-mass energy:  $\sqrt{s} = 225-319 \text{ GeV}$ 

Integrated luminosity: ~0.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> (per experiment)





 Two running periods:

 1994-2000 : HERA I

 2003-2007 : HERA II

## Physics topics' outline

#### **Multijets and determination of strong coupling constant**

H1	EPJ C75 (2015) 2, 65
H1+ZEUS	EPJ C73 (2013) 2311 hep-ex 1503.06042
ZEUS	JHEP 09 (2014) 127 JHEP 10 (2014) 003
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**QCD** Instantons

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## Introduction



#### **Kinematics**:

- $Q^2$  virtuality of exchanged boson
- x Bjorken scaling variable
- y inelasticity
- $Q^2 = sxy$  ( $\sqrt{s}$  centre-of-mass energy)

Neutral Current (NC):  $ep \rightarrow eX$  Charged Current (CC):  $ep \rightarrow vX$ 

**Photoproduction (PHP):**  $Q^2 \approx 0 \text{ GeV}^2$ 

**Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS):**  $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ 

# Multi-jets and strong coupling α<sub>s</sub> determination

### Jet production in NC DIS



H1 measurements performed in *Breit frame:* 2xP + q = 0 $\rightarrow$  virtual boson collides head on with the parton from proton



Inclusive jets: measure transverse jet's momentum

**Dijets/trijets:** average P<sub>T</sub> of two/three leading jets

In Breit frame only hard QCD process can generate significant  $P_{T}$ Direct sensitivity to  $\alpha_{s}$  and gluon PDF

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- normalised inclusive, dijet and trijet cross sections (w.r.t. inclusive NC DIS) **Partial cancellation of** experimntal uncertainties

**NLO QCD** predictions, corrected for hadronisation and electroweak effects, in good agreement with data within uncertainties



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## The determination and running of $\alpha_s$



From normalised multijet:

$$\alpha_{\rm S}({\rm M_Z}) = 0.1165 (8)_{\rm exp} (38)_{\rm pdf, theo}$$

The most precise measurement from jet cross sections so far

Running of strong coupling:

Consistent with other jet data

Agreement with theory prediction for more than two orders of magnitude

Better than CMS results on inclusive jet measurements

arXiv:1410.6765

### ZEUS trijet measurements

#### **Phase space:**

125 < Q<sup>2</sup> < 20000 GeV<sup>2</sup> 0.2 < y < 0.6

- At least three jets with  $E_{T,B}^{jet} > 8 \text{ GeV and } -1 < \eta_{LAB}^{jet} < 2.5$ M > 20 CeV
- $M_{jj} > 20 \text{ GeV}$



**Prediction:** NLOJet++





### ZEUS trijet measurements

#### **Double differential cross sections**



**Good agreement between data and NLO calculations** 

## **Charm & beauty**

### **D**<sup>\*+/-</sup> **PHP/DIS and charm mass measurements**

**Beauty production in DIS** 

### Heavy quarks production and masses



**Massive scheme (FFNS)** 

FFNS: Fixed Flavour number scheme Expected to be valid for Q<sup>2</sup> ≈ m<sup>2</sup><sub>c/b</sub> Three active flavours in proton One can calculate differential cross sections (i.e. HVQDIS)



Massless scheme (ZM-VFNS)

Zero-mass variable flav. number scheme Expected to be valid for Q<sup>2</sup> >> m<sup>2</sup><sub>c/b</sub> c or b treated as massless parton Resummation of large logarithms of Q<sup>2</sup>/m<sup>2</sup><sub>g</sub>

Mixed scheme (GM-VFNS)

Employ both FFNS and ZM-VFNS Interpolation in between (various schemes) Used in PDF fits – useful at LHC

### D\* PHP cross sections

**JHEP 10 (2014) 003** 

Clear  $\mathbf{D}^{*+/-}$  signals seen in  $M(K^{-}\pi^{+}\pi^{+}) - M(K^{-}\pi^{+})$  distributions at 3 different CM energies:



### Charm production

D\* differential cross sections in DIS

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**Precision of combined** data: ≈5%

**Combined:** 

H1 high O<sup>2</sup>

**ZEUS all O<sup>2</sup>** 

Similar results and precision obtained for  $d\sigma/dQ^2$  and  $d\sigma/dy$ 

#### Charm mass measurement

EPJ C73 (2013) 2311

The value of m<sup>pole</sup>=1.4 GeV was found to describe data better in a study of reduced cc cross sections (m<sup>pole</sup>) effective (not physical) mass parameter). Using the running mass definition in MS scheme, instead of pole mass, measured mass yields:

$$m_{C}(m_{C}) = 1.26 \pm 0.05_{exp} \pm 0.03_{mod} \pm 0.02_{param} \pm 0.02_{alpha-S} \text{ GeV}$$

### D\* differential cross sections in DIS



Combination procedure does not introduce theoretical ucertainties to data points

**Precision of combined data:** ≈5%

NLO scale uncertainties: O(10-30%)

Customised NLO describe data well (although it is NOT a prediction) with two (arbitrary) parameters:  $\mu_r^2 = 0.25 (Q^2 + 4m_c^2); m_c^{pole} = 1.4 \text{ GeV}$ 

"NLO QCD customised"

NNLO calculation and improved fragmentation models might help

Similar conclusion for D\* doubledifferential cross section in Q<sup>2</sup> and y

### Beauty production in DIS JHEP 09 (2014) 127



## **QCD** Instantons

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#### Instantons

- Solutions to Yang-Mills equations of motion
- Physical interpretations: pseudo particle or tunneling process between topologically different vacuum states

#### **QCD Instantons at HERA**

- Produced in quark-gluon fusion\*
- Analysis phase space:

150 < Q<sup>2</sup> < 15000 GeV<sup>2</sup> 0.2 < y < 0.7

• QCDINS Monte Carlo: access to full event topology

#### **Selected Signatures**

- One hard jet
- $\bullet$  Densely populated eta band, flat in  $\phi$
- Large particle multiplicities



Variables of *I*-subprocess:  $Q'^{2} \equiv -q'^{2} = -(\gamma - q'')^{2}$   $x' \equiv Q'^{2} / (2 g \cdot q')$   $W_{I}^{2} \equiv (q' + g)^{2} = Q'^{2} (1 - x')/x'$ 

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## QCD Instantons analysis

#### **Multivariate Analysis**

- Probability density estimator with range search (PDERS)
- Training with Rapgap/Djangoh MC as background and QCDINS as signal MC
- Good discriminator description in the background region
- Signal region: D > 0.86



## QCD Instantons - results

#### Data are *consistent with background* No evidence for QCD Instantons



Theoretical prediction in the analysis phase space:

10±2 pb

Upper limit for the instanton cross section at 95%CL: 1.6 pb

**Exclusion of the Ringwald & Schrempp predictions for the QCD Instantons at HERA** 20

## QCD Instantons - results

#### **QCD** Instanton cross section limits in extended phase space



## Summary

New interesting QCD results from the HERA experiments

#### Multi-jets and determination of $\alpha_s$

- ZEUS and H1 measurements consistent with NLO calculations
- Most precise  $\alpha_s(M_z)$  is extracted from fit to the normalised multijet cross section, yielding

 $\alpha_s(M_Z)|_{k_T} = 0.1165 \ (8)_{exp} \ (38)_{pdf,theo}$ 

- The running of  $\alpha_s(\mu_r)$  consistent with results from other jet data
- Precision of the measurement (H1) is better than that of NLO calculations Need NNLO

#### Heavy flavours - charm(ing)&beauty(full)

- H1 and ZEUS provide new results with HERA data, making tighter constraints on QCD
- New precise (combined) measurements well described by NLO QCD, but still challenge to theory and fragmentation models
- Masses of b/c quarks agree with PDG values. Running of m<sub>b</sub> consistent with QCD

#### **QCD** Instantons searches

• Ringwald & Schrempp predictions for the QCD Instantons at HERA appear to be excluded

### Thank you for your attention

### Backup slides

## H1 High Q<sup>2</sup> Jet Production Analysis



#### Unfolding

- Regularised unfolding with TUnfold\*
- Multidimensional unfolding in Q<sup>2</sup>, y, P<sub>T</sub>
- Migrations of up to 7 observables and correlations between samples taken into account

## QCD Instantons analysis

#### Search strategy

- Find jets in hadronic centre of mass frame
  - Remove hardest jet from objects of hadronic final state (HFS)
- Boost to instanton rest frame and define variables
  - Topological: sphericity, Fox-Wolfram moments, azimuthal isotropy  $(\Delta_{R})$ , ...
  - Number of charged particles n<sub>R</sub>
  - Transverse energy of the band...

• Variables are used as input to MVA





### Observables not used in the TMVA training Full range of the discriminator

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E<sub>T.B</sub>

H<sub>10</sub>





H1 Preliminary



### Observables not used in the TMVA training Signal range of the discriminator



No excess of events in the signal region

## Azimuthal isotropy

$$\Delta_b = (E'_{in,B} - E'_{out,B}) / E'_{in,B}$$

$$E_{out} = \min_{in} \sum_{n \ Hadr.} | \vec{p_n} \cdot \vec{i} |$$

$$E_{in} = \max_{n} \sum_{n \ Hadr.} | \vec{p_n} \cdot \vec{i} |$$



### Test statistic distribution

#### Construct test statistics for **Data**, Background and Backgr+Signal

