Charm and Beauty production from semileptonic decays at HERA

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- 27.5 GeV e^{\pm} 920 GeV $p \rightarrow \sqrt{s} = 318$ GeV
- HERAI: 1992-2000
- HERAII: 2003-2007
- $\rightarrow \sim 0.5 \, \text{fb}^{-1}$ per experiment



Motivation

Heavy flavour production is a good probe for different production and decay mechanisms:

Open production

(pQCD)

- Resonance production (NRQCD)
- Searches for exotic bound states

► Important to use different channels to cross check with independent systematics



 $\sigma_{uds}: \sigma_c: \sigma_b \sim 2000: 200: 1$ (HERA)

Kinematical regions:

Photoproduction $(\gamma p) \rightarrow Q^2 \lesssim 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ Electroproduction (DIS) $\rightarrow Q^2 \gtrsim 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

 Q^2 : photon virtuality, x : parton momentum fraction



Different experimental techniques used (combined) for heavy flavour tagging:

- Decay spectra
 p_T^{rel} of lepton to jet axis
- Lifetime information Measure impact parameter with respect to primary vertex (beamspot)
- Meson identification D^{*±} tagging ("Golden Decay")
- In this talk focus on lepton identification

 \rightarrow for dilepton tagging see Talk 864 by Achim Geiser



Method:

- Use different shape of p_T^{rel} distributions, to extract fractions of beauty and the background

- Calculate beauty cross section down to low values of Q^2

HERAI data:

1996-2000 ($\mathcal{L} \approx 114 \, \text{pb}^{-1}$)

Kinematic region:

 $Q^2 > 2 \,\text{GeV}^2, \, 0.05 < y < 0.7,$ $p_T^{\mu} > 1.5 \,\text{GeV}, \, \eta^{\mu} > -1.6$



Beauty from decays into muons



- Total visible and differential cross section as a function of Q² compared with NLO QCD calculation
- Also double-differential cross sections computed to extract F^b₂
- ▶ The largest difference can be attributed in the low x, Q^2 region (→ low p_T)

Differential cross sections



In shape, both the RAPGAP MC (scaled by 2.1) and the NLO QCD calculation reasonably describe the data

Charm and beauty from decays into muons

Method:

Simultaneous fit of p_T^{rel} , δ and $p_T^{miss||\mu}$, $p_T^{miss||\mu}$:

-missing transverse momentum -using parallel component to the muon direction

► additional variables provide sensitivity to charm

HERAII data: 2005 ($\mathcal{L} \approx 126 \text{ pb}^{-1}$)

Kinematic region:

$$Q^2 > 20 \,\text{GeV}^2, \, 0.01 < y < 0.7,$$

 $p_T^{\mu} > 1.5 \,\text{GeV}, \, -1.6 < \eta^{\mu} < 2.3$



Charm and beauty cross sections



 NLO QCD calculation in good agreement for charm while beauty cross section is 2.3 standard deviations above HVQDIS result

Shapes are well described by NLO calculation and RAPGAP LO MC

Charm contribution to the structure function - $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$



Beauty contribution to the structure function - F_2^{bb}

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Method:

- p_T^{rel} , $\Delta \phi(\phi, e)$ and d/δ_d combined with particle ID
- fit contribution of beauty, electron background and other background

HERAII data: 2004-2007 (£ ≈ 363 pb⁻¹)

Kinematic region: $Q^2 > 10 \text{ GeV}^2, 0.05 < y < 0.7,$

 $p_T^e > 0.9 \,\text{GeV}, |\eta^e| < 1.5$



► Extract beauty cross sections fitting fractions of three contributions to data in the distribution of the hypothesis test, T

Input variables for likelihood test



Control Plots

- Control plots for Δφ and d/δ_d
- Shown after two steps of enrichment
- Variables well described









Differential cross sections

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NLO QCD calculation in good agreement with measured values

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F_2^b as a function of x

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- Extract F₂^b from differential cross section in bins of x for different regions of Q²
- Previous points corrected to the reference Q² values
- Measured points consistent with previous measurements and NLO QCD calculation
- Points at large Q² tend to be lower than previous results

F_2^b - Comparison

- Summary of all F^b₂ measurements
- All measurements consistent with each other and with the NLO QCD predictions
- New preliminary results with comparable precision as for the H1 published result

 \rightarrow for inclusive measurements see Talk 1169 by Paul Thompson



- Using semileptonic decays to muons or electrons the heavy quark production in DIS was measured over a wide range of Q²
- The cross sections for charm are consistent with the NLO QCD prediction while the cross sections for beauty tend to be on the upper edge of the prediction
- The new extracted values of F_2^b have similar uncertainties compared with other measurements and give a consistent picture of beauty production in DIS



Measurement of beauty production in DIS and $F_2^{b\bar{b}}$ extraction at ZEUS DESY-10-47 (April 2010)

Measurement of charm and beauty production in deep inelastic ep scattering from decays into muons at HERA DESY-09-56 (April 2009)

Beauty production in DIS using decays into electrons at HERA ZEUS-prel-10-010 (July 2010)

Backup

Beauty from decays into muons



Monte Carlo details:

- ► RAPGAP 3
- to simulate beauty and charm
 - HERACLES 4.6.1 for QED radiative effects
 - CTEQ5L PDFs
 - $m_b = 4.75 \, \text{GeV}, m_c = 1.5 \, \text{GeV}$

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to simulate light flavour events

NLO calculation: • HVQDIS in the FFNS scheme • $\mu_R^2 = \mu_F^2 =$ $1/4(Q^2 + p_T^2 + m_q^2)$ • ZEUS-S PDFs • $m_b = 4.75 \text{ GeV}$ • $\epsilon_b = 0.0035$

Charm and beauty from decays into muons



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DJANGOH 1.3
 to simulate light flavour events
 CASCADE
 to simulate 1/01 production

to simulate J/Ψ production

NLO calculation: ► HVQDIS in the FFNS scheme • $\mu_R^2 = \mu_F^2 = Q^2 + 4m_q^2$ • ZEUS-S PDFs

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$$\epsilon_c = 0.0055, \epsilon_b = 0.0035$$

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$$\mathcal{B}(c \rightarrow \mu) = 0.096,$$

 $\mathcal{B}(b \rightarrow \mu) = 0.209$

Beauty from decays into electrons



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