# Inclusive Diffraction and Related Topics at HERA





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# **Diffractive DIS Kinematics**

#### Standard DIS variables ...

 $\times$  = momentum fraction q/p  $Q^2 = |\gamma^* 4$ -momentum squared|

#### Additional variables for diffraction:

- t = squared 4-momentum transfer at proton vertex
- $\mathbf{x}_{TP} = 1 \mathbf{x}_{L} = \text{fractional momentum}$ loss of proton (IP/p)
- $\beta = x / x_{TP}$  = momentum fraction q / IP
- $z_{TP}$  = generalisation of  $\beta$  beyond QPM (momentum fraction q / IP or q / IP)

Inclusive data in form of 'reduced' diffractive x-sec



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# Signatures and Selection Methods

#### Scattered proton in Leading Proton Spectrometers <u>(LPS)</u>



Limited by statistics and p-tagging systematics

`Large Rapidity Gap' <u>(LRG)</u> adjacent to outgoing (untagged) proton



Limited by p-diss systematics

- The 2 methods have very different systematics
- Both experiments also have Zero Degree Calorimeters for forward neutron measurements

### First Physics Results from H1 VFPS





- LRG selections contain typically 20% p diss
- No significant dependence on any variable
- •... well controlled, precise measurements 6

### ZEUS v H1 Proton-tagged Data

Quadruple-differential cross sections!  $\sigma_r^{D(4)}(\beta, Q^2, x_{IP}, t)$ 

Integrated over t in this example H1-ZEUS comparison



• All available data used by both collaborations  $\rightarrow x_{\text{IP}} \sim 0.1$ 

- H1 HERA-II (157 pb<sup>-1</sup>) yields higher Q<sup>2</sup> data
- Good H1-ZEUS agreement
   on kinematic dependences

• 15% difference in overall normalisation compatible with uncertainties



- New H1 data with 370 pb<sup>-1</sup>
- Few % point-to-point precision over wide kinematic range
- ~13% difference between H1 and ZEUS within norm<sup>n</sup> errors

 $Q^2$  (GeV<sup>2</sup>)

 $Q^2 [GeV^2]$ 

## **Factorisation Properties of Diffractive DIS**

Proton vertex factoris<sup>n</sup> hypothesis survived many HERA tests



$$f_{IP/p}(x_{IP}, t) = \frac{e^{B_{IP}t}}{x_{IP}^{2\alpha_{IP}(t)-1}}$$
$$\alpha_{IP}(t) = \alpha_{IP}(0) + \alpha'_{IP} t$$

Total electron – pomeron DIS cross section  $\sigma(e \ IP \rightarrow eX)$ described in terms of Diffractive Parton Densities (DPDFs),  $f_i(\beta, Q^2)$ 

Pomeron flux  $f_{IP/p}$  exhibits exponential t dependence  $x_{IP}$  dependence well modelled by Regge phenomenology



# Evidence for Proton Vertex Factorisation & the Pomeron Flux Factor





Excellent consistency between experiments and methods. e.g. From H1 FPS data:

 $\alpha_{IP}(0) = 1.10 \pm 0.02 \text{ (exp.)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (model)}$   $\alpha'_{IP} = 0.04 \pm 0.02 \text{ (exp.)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (model)} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$  $B_{IP} = 5.7 \pm 0.3 \text{ (exp.)} \pm 0.6 \text{ (model)} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ 

 $\alpha_{IP}(0)$  consistent with soft IP  $\rightarrow$  Dominantly soft exchange  $\alpha_{IP}'$  smaller than soft IP  $\rightarrow$  Absorptive effects?...<sup>10</sup>

## **Extracting Diffractive Quarks and Gluons**

- Fit  $\beta$  and Q<sup>2</sup> dependence at fixed  $x_{IP}$
- $\cdot$  Parameterise at starting scale  $Q_0{}^2$  and evolve to higher  $Q^2$  using NLO DGLAP
- Exploit proton vertex factorisation to relate data from different  $x_{IP}$  values with complementary  $\beta$ ,  $Q^2$  coverage.









### ZEUS DPDFs from Inclusive and Jet Data



Recent ZEUS fits to high stats LRG & LPS data. - Improved heavy flavour treatment ... consistent with previous H1 results up to normalisation factor in data
Successful descriptions of diffractive final state data in DIS ... Jets, Charm ...

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jet

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### Forward Jets in Diffractive DIS

New H1 analysis with FPS proton tag ... extends  $x_{IP}$  and  $\eta_{jet}$  ranges ... search for 'hard' p QCD-calculable contributions ... exclusive 2/3 jets with DGLAP p<sub>t</sub> ordering broken? Forward jet: p<sub>t</sub> > 4.5 GeV, 1 <  $\eta_{fwd}$  < 2.8 Central jet: p<sub>t</sub> > 3.5 GeV, -1 <  $\eta_{cen}$  <  $\eta_{fwd}$ 

# ... No evidence for configurations beyond those predicted from NLO DGLAP & DPDFs







# First F<sup>D</sup> Measurement

Novel test of diffractive gluon density  $\sigma_r^{D(3)}(\beta, Q^2, x_{IP}) = F_2^{D(3)} - \frac{y^2}{Y_+} F_L^{D(3)}$ 

...  $F_L^D$  sensitivity @ highest y ( $E_e \rightarrow 3.4 \text{ GeV}$ ) ... vary  $E_p \rightarrow$  change y at fixed  $\beta$ ,  $x_{IP}$ ,  $Q^2$ ... 11pb<sup>-1</sup> @ 575 GeV, 6pb<sup>-1</sup> @ 460 GeV, in addition to 820 GeV, 920 GeV data





- $\bullet\ {\bf F}_{\rm L}{}^{\rm D}$  shown to be several  $\sigma$  from zero
- Compatible with all  $\stackrel{\clubsuit}{\rightarrow}$  predictions based on NLO DGLAP fits to  $\sigma_r^{D}$



... photoproduction jets as the perfect control experiment?...



#### Rapidity Gap Survival Probability in Diffractive Dijet Photoproduction

ZEUS  $[E_T^1 > 7.5 \text{ GeV}]$ ... No evidence for any gap destruction H1  $[E_T^1 > 5 \text{ GeV}]$ ... Survival probability < 1 at  $2\sigma$  significance

 $\sigma$ (H1 data) /  $\sigma$ (NLO) = 0.58 ± 0.12 (exp.) ± 0.14 (scale) ± 0.09 (DPDF)



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- Gap survival unexpectedly has little dependence on  $x_{\gamma}$
- Hint of a dependence on jet  $E_T$ ?

## Refined gap Survival Model (KKMR)

#### Direct contribution remains unsuppressed

Suppression factor 0.34 applies to Hadron-like (VMD) part of photon structure only (low  $x_{y} < 0.1$ )

Point-like (anomalous) part of photon structure has less suppression (~0.7-0.8)

Smaller gap destruction effects with some E<sub>T</sub> dependence

Fair agreement with both H1 and ZEUS data<sup>17</sup>...

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W [GeV]

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data / theory

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M<sub>12</sub> [GeV]

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M<sub>v</sub> [GeV]

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## Going beyond the diffractive forward peak



Regge analysis suggest leading  $r_{V}$  proton production beyond diffractive peak dominated by isoscalar meson exchanges with  $\alpha_{IR}(0) \sim 0.5 \rightarrow$   $\omega$ , f rather than isovector a,  $\rho$ 

As  $x_L$  (= 1 -  $x_{IP}$ ) decreases ... - Sub-leading exchanges important for leading protons - Leading neutrons produced via charge exchange reactions

ZEUS



"Large"  $x_L$  leading neutron contributions expected to be due to  $\pi$  exchange [ $\alpha_{\pi}(0) \sim 0$ ] competing with standard baryon fragmentation at lower  $x_L$ 



# Leading Neutrons and $F_2{}^{\pi}$

... sensitivity at large  $x_L$ to pion structure function  $F_2^{\pi}$  after taking out a pion flux factor ...

 $\Gamma_{\pi} \sim 0.13 + - 0.04 \text{ (model)}$ 

25-35% residual fragmentation component

Other exchanges neglected



Fair agreement with parameterisations of pion structure.

 $F_2^{\pi} = 2/3 F_2^{p}$  (valence quark counting) also in fair agreement

• New, improved HERA diffractive and related data continue to arrive ... unique sensitivity to strong coloursinglet exchange in pQCD regime

• Proton vertex factorisation with  $\alpha_{\rm IP}(t) \sim 1.10 \ (+ \ \delta t) \& b \sim 6 \ GeV^{-2}$  is good model for the 'soft' physics

- DPDFs well constrained & tested
- Progress in understanding rapidity gap survival in photoproduction
- Leading Neutron Spectra Beyond diffractive peak constrain  $F_2{}^{\pi}$

#### Summary



• Input to diffraction, multi-parton interactions, ZDC ... @ LHC