





Multi-lepton Events at HERA

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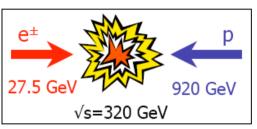
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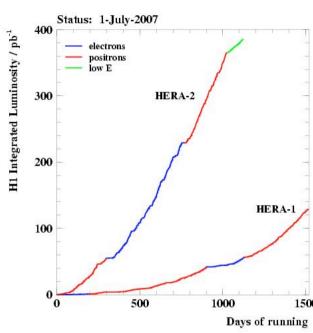
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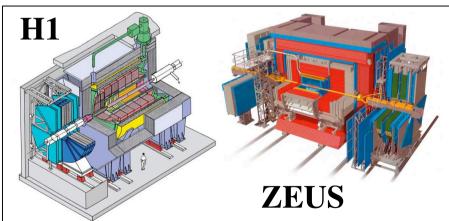
The H1 and ZEUS Experiments at HERA





Data taking 1994 - 2007





Two multi-purpose experiments located at the ep interaction points

- Large increase in data per experiment from HERA II (x3)
- Large increase (x12) in data taken from e⁻p collisions; HERA I was mostly e⁺p data

Final combined HERA dataset ∼ 1 fb⁻¹







Outline

- Events in which two or more isolated electrons or muons with high transverse momentum are found to give a clean experimental signature
 - Look for signs of physics beyond the Standard Model
- The final results from the individual H1 and ZEUS analyses will be presented
- The combination of the data of the two experiments in a common phase space allows a more stringent test of the SM
 - Final results now also available on the full HERA data
- Di-tau production with decay to leptons are included in the analysis; hadronic tau decays removed by selection

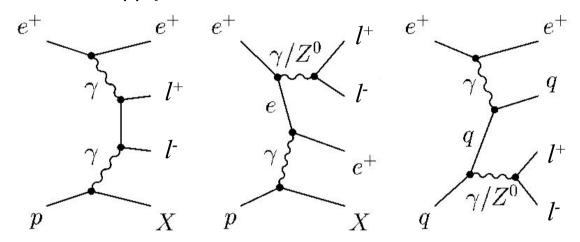






Multi-Lepton Events at HERA

• The main SM process in ep interactions with multi-leptons in the final state is the $\gamma\gamma$ process:



- This QED process, precise SM prediction, modelled by GRAPE
- Cross section low at high mass, P_T: look for signs of new phenomena
 - Examine using the mass of the two highest P_T leptons, M_{12} and the sum of the transverse momentum of all leptons, ΣP_T
- Main SM background: NC-DIS, QED Compton for multi-electron events; very low background for multi-muon events

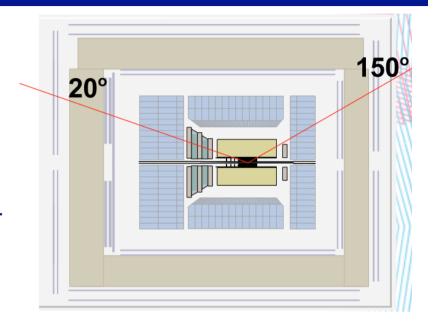




Multi-Lepton Event Selection

• Electrons

- Identified with E >10 GeV in the polar angle region $5^{\circ} < \theta < 175^{\circ}$
- In the backward region ($\theta > 150^{\circ}$) allow lower energy E > 5 GeV
- Also allow E > 5 GeV up to 20° (H1 only)
- Isolated with respect to other calorimeter deposits and tracks in the event



Muons

- Identified with $P_T > 2$ GeV in the polar angle region $20^{\circ} < \theta < 160^{\circ}$
- Isolated from other tracks in the event
- At least 2 leptons are required in the region $20^{\circ} < \theta < 150^{\circ}$ and to have $P_{T} > 10$, 5 GeV
- Depending on the number and flavour of the leptons, the events are classified into exclusive samples: ee, eee, eμ, eμμ, μμ..





Results from the H1 Analysis



Multi-Leptons at HERA (463 pb^{-1})

Selection	Data	SM	Pair Production (GRAPE)	NC DIS + Compton
$\overline{}$ ee	368	390 ± 46	332 ± 26	58 ± 30
$\mu\mu$	201	211 ± 32	211 ± 32	< 0.005
$e\mu$	132	128 ± 9	118 ± 8	10.0 ± 2.5
eee	73	70 ± 7	69.8 ± 7.0	0.2 ± 0.1
$e\mu\mu$	97	102 ± 14	102 ± 14	< 0.005
$ee\mu$	4	1.43 ± 0.26	1.18 ± 0.20	0.25 ± 0.14
eeee	1	0.33 ± 0.07	0.33 ± 0.07	< 0.005
$\overline{(\gamma\gamma)_e}$	146	138 ± 12	135 ± 11	3.0 ± 1.0
$(\gamma\gamma)_{\mu}$	163	162 ± 24	162 ± 24	< 0.005

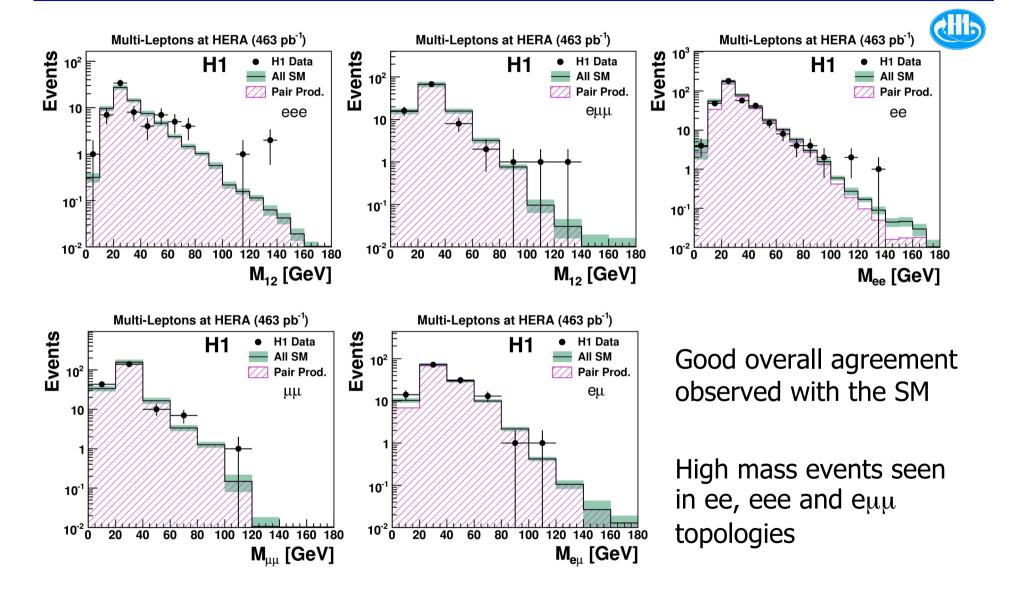
- Good overall description of the data by the SM is observed
- The $\gamma\gamma$ selections are sub-samples of the ee and $\mu\mu$ samples, and are used to measure the lepton pair production cross section







Mass Distributions from the H1 Analysis

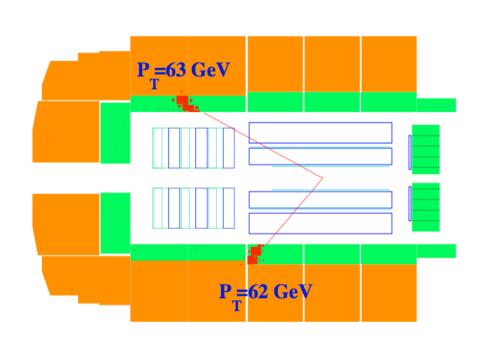


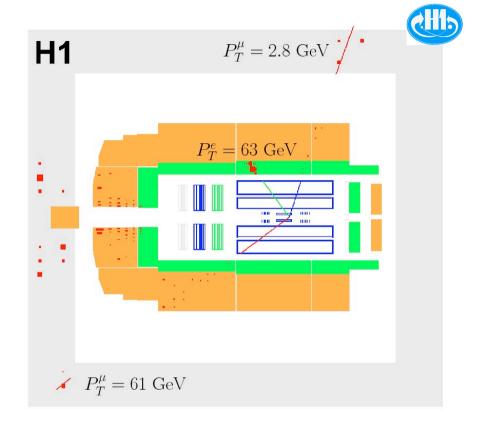






Two Events Selected by the H1 Analysis





ee event, $M_{12} = 130 \text{ GeV}$

eµµ event, $M_{12} = 127$ GeV, from the electron and the highest P_T muon





Results from the ZEUS Analysis

$\mathbf{ZEUS}\ (\mathcal{L} = 480\,\mathrm{pb}^{-1})$



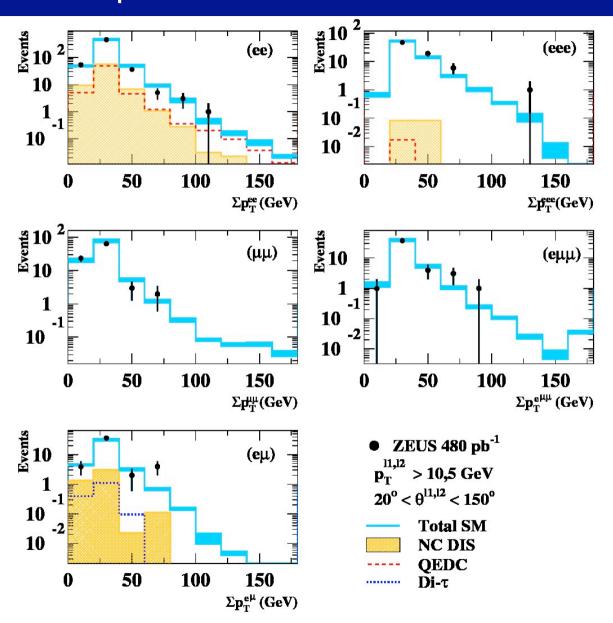
Topology	Data	Total SM	Multi-lepton Production	NC DIS	Compton
ee	545	563^{+29}_{-37}	429^{+21}_{-29}	74 ± 5	60 ± 10
$\mu\mu$	93	106±12	106±12	< 0.5	_
$e\mu$	46	42±4	37^{+3}_{-4}	$4.5{\pm}1.2$	_
eee	73	75^{+5}_{-4}	73^{+4}_{-5}	< 1	< 3
$e\mu\mu$	47	48±5	48±5	< 0.5	_
eeee	1	$0.9^{+0.5}_{-0.1}$	0.6±0.1	< 0.4	< 1
$ee\mu\mu$	2	$0.5^{+0.3}_{-0.1}$	$0.4{\pm}0.1$	< 0.5	_
All 4 leptons	3	$1.4^{+0.7}_{-0.1}$	1.0 ± 0.2	< 1.4	
$ee\ (\gamma\gamma\ \mathrm{sample})$	166	185+8	183+8	1.4±1.0	1.4 ± 0.6
$\mu\mu$ ($\gamma\gamma$ sample)	72	85+9	85 ^{+ 9} ₋₁₀	< 0.5	_

- As in the H1 analysis, a good overall description of the data by the SM is observed
 - Again, can now look for possible deviations in the high mass and high ΣP_{τ} regions





ΣP_T Distributions from the ZEUS Analysis





Overall agreement observed with the SM

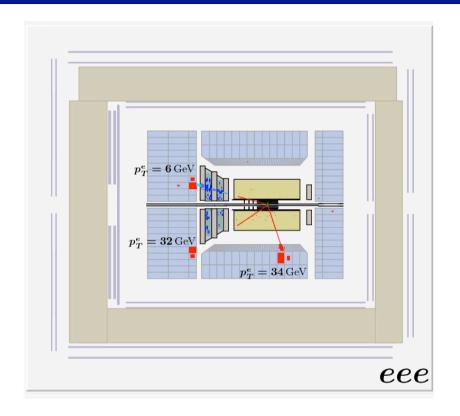
Two events observed with large ΣP_T

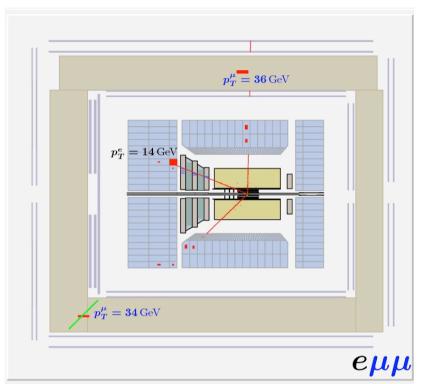






Two Events Selected by the ZEUS Analysis





eee event, $M_{12} = 113 \text{ GeV}$

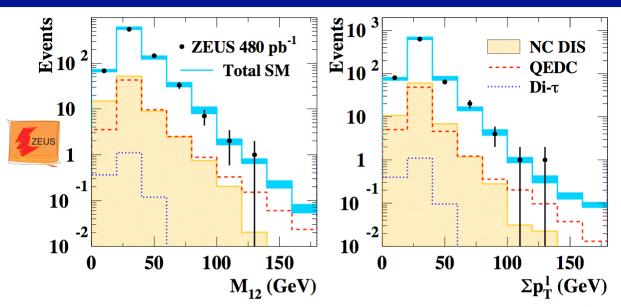
Highest mass event with muons from ZEUS analysis $(e\mu\mu)$, $M_{12} = 77.5$ GeV







Combination of All Topologies

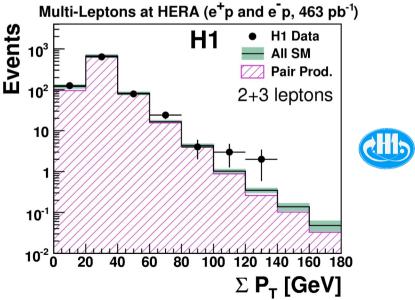


Good agreement between data and SM

Some events at high mass and large ΣP_T

For $\Sigma P_T > 100$ GeV ZEUS has 2 events in the data H1 has 5 events in the data

Let's combine the data...







A Combined H1 and ZEUS Analysis

- The H1 and ZEUS analyses are now done in an identical way apart from the lower electron energy threshold in the forward region ($5^{\circ} < \theta < 20^{\circ}$) in the H1 analysis
 - This cut is increased to E > 10 GeV for the combination
- The measurements are combined assuming that all systematic uncertainties except that from the theory are fully uncorrelated
 - The theory uncertainty is fully correlated,
 both experiments using the same model

• The H1+ZEUS multi-lepton analysis is the first combined HERA publication!









H1+ZEUS Topologies Table

Multi-Leptons at HERA (0.94 fb^{-1})

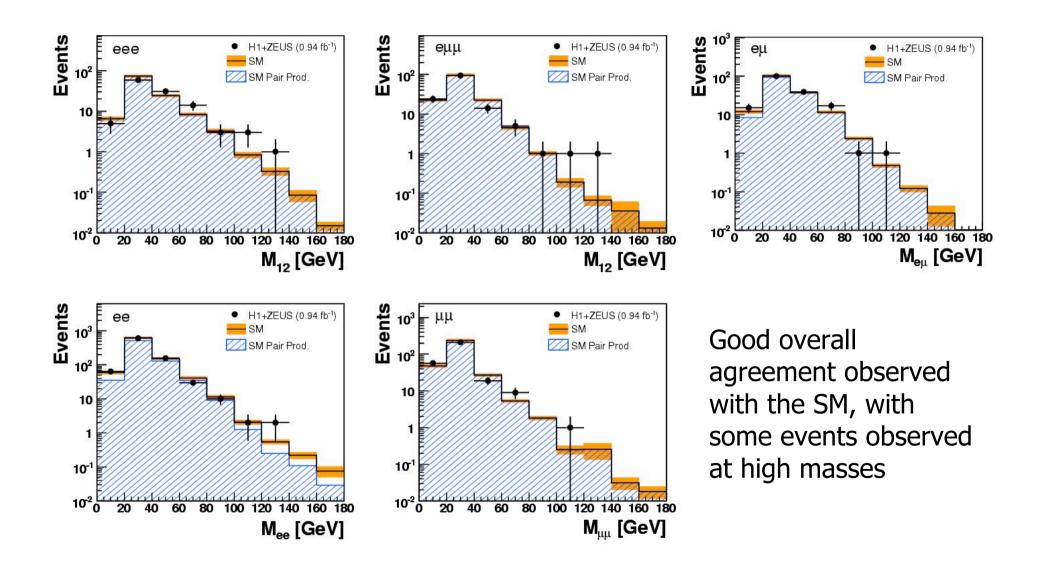
Sample	Data	SM	Pair Production (GRAPE)	NC DIS + QEDC
ee	873	895 ± 57	724 ± 41	171 ± 28
$\mu\mu$	298	320 ± 36	320 ± 36	< 0.5
$e\mu$	173	167 ± 10	152 ± 9	15 ± 3
eee	116	119 ± 7	117 ± 6	< 4
$e\mu\mu$	140	147 ± 15	147 ± 15	< 0.5
$(\gamma\gamma)_e$	284	293 ± 18	289 ± 18	4 ± 1
$(\gamma\gamma)_{\mu}$	235	247 ± 26	247 ± 26	< 0.5

- Overall good agreement seen with the SM prediction
- Looking at the high mass and high P_T regions, a few interesting events show up in the data





H1+ZEUS Mass Distributions









H1+ZEUS Multi-lepton Events at High Mass

Multi-Leptons at HERA (0.94 fb^{-1})

All high mass events seen in the e⁺p data

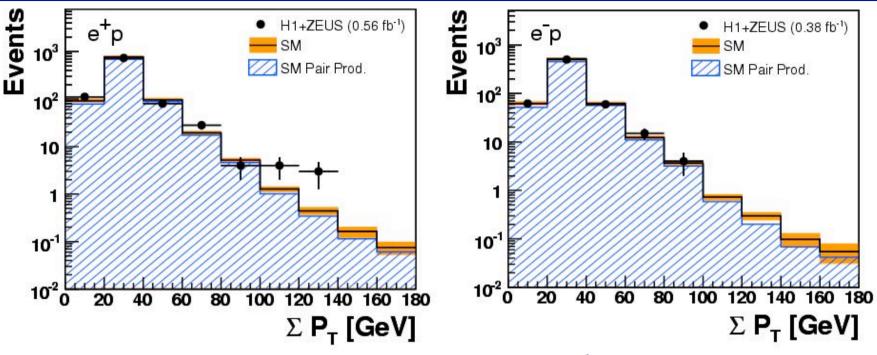
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			$M_{12} > 100 \text{GeV}$				
Sample	Data	SM	Pair Production (GRAPE)	NC DIS + QEDC			
e^+p collisions (0.56 fb ⁻¹)							
ee	4	1.68 ± 0.18	0.94 ± 0.11	0.74 ± 0.12			
$\mu\mu$	1	0.32 ± 0.08	0.32 ± 0.08	< 0.01			
$e\mu$	1	0.40 ± 0.05	0.39 ± 0.05	< 0.02			
eee	4	0.79 ± 0.09	0.79 ± 0.09	< 0.03			
$e\mu\mu$	2	0.16 ± 0.04	0.16 ± 0.04	< 0.01			
e^-p collisions (0.38 fb $^{-1}$)							
ee	0	1.25 ± 0.13	0.71 ± 0.11	0.54 ± 0.08			
$\mu\mu$	0	0.23 ± 0.10	0.23 ± 0.10	< 0.01			
$e\mu$	0	0.26 ± 0.03	0.25 ± 0.03	< 0.02			
eee	0	0.49 ± 0.07	0.49 ± 0.07	< 0.03			
$e\mu\mu$	0	0.14 ± 0.05	0.14 ± 0.05	< 0.01			
All data (0.94 fb^{-1})							
ee	4	2.93 ± 0.28	1.65 ± 0.16	1.28 ± 0.18			
$\mu\mu$	1	0.55 ± 0.12	0.55 ± 0.12	< 0.01			
$e\mu$	1	0.65 ± 0.07	0.64 ± 0.06	< 0.02			
eee	4	1.27 ± 0.12	1.27 ± 0.12	< 0.03			
$e\mu\mu$	2	0.31 ± 0.06	0.31 ± 0.06	< 0.01			





H1+ZEUS Multi-lepton Events at High ΣP_T



Multi-Leptons at HERA (0.94 fb^{-1})

$\sum P_T > 100 \text{ GeV}$					
Data sample	Data	SM	Pair Production (GRAPE)	NC DIS + QEDC	
$e^+ p (0.56 \text{ fb}^{-1})$	7	1.94 ± 0.17	1.52 ± 0.14	0.42 ± 0.07	
$e^- p (0.38 \text{ fb}^{-1})$	0	1.19 ± 0.12	0.90 ± 0.10	0.29 ± 0.05	
All (0.94 fb^{-1})	7	3.13 ± 0.26	2.42 ± 0.21	0.71 ± 0.10	

7 events observed, all in the e⁺p data with $\Sigma P_T > 100$ GeV, where the significance of excess of SM expectation is 2.6σ





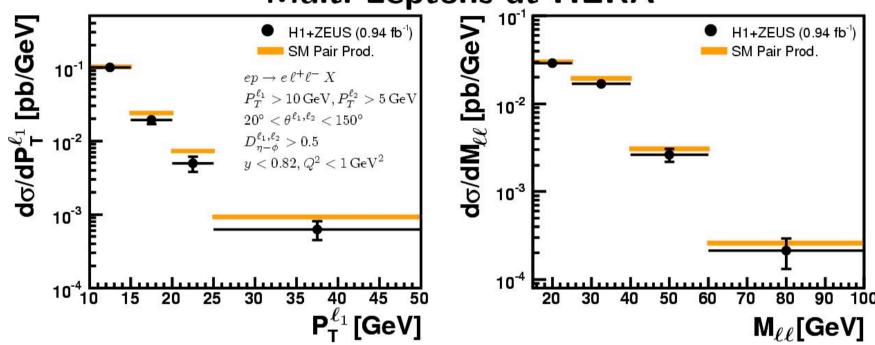
Measurement of the $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow l^+l^-$ Cross Section

- In order to select lepton pair events in photoproduction, the requirement E P_z < 45 GeV is introduced, forming sub-samples of the ee and $\mu\mu$ samples
 - This ensures a sample which is only populated with two leptons of the same flavour in the final state
 - The contribution from $\tau^+\tau^-$ events is found to be negligible
- Cross sections evaluated for the two photon process in the kinematic region
 - Photoproduction regime: $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$, y < 0.82
 - High transverse momentum: $P_T^{1,2} > 10$, 5 GeV
 - In the main body of the detectors: $20^{\circ} < \theta < 150^{\circ}$
 - Leptons are isolated ($\Delta r > 0.5$ in the pseudorapidity-azimuth plane)
- Weighted average done of the electron and muon channels to form the $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow l^+l^-$ cross section



Measurement of the $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow l^+l^-$ Cross Section





- Differential cross sections measured as a function of the P_T of the leading lepton and the invariant mass of the lepton pair
- Total visible cross section measured 0.66 ± 0.03 (stat.) ± 0.03 (sys.) pb in good agreement with the SM prediction of 0.69 ± 0.02 pb from GRAPE





Conclusions

- Multi-lepton production has been studied at HERA
 - Looking for possible deviations from the SM in the high mass and high ΣP_{T} regions
- All event topologies containing combinations of electrons and muons have been investigated
 - A good overall agreement with the SM is observed
- A combined analysis is performed in a common phase space to achieve greater sensitivity
 - Some events observed at high ΣP_T and high mass by both experiments and only in the e⁺p data
- Cross sections for the $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow l^+l^-$ process have been measured using the complete HERA data





