Study of Polarized ep Collisions and Combined EW and QCD Fits at HERA

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and EW&QCD fits at HERA



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· HERA & DIS

- \cdot NC & CC
- Polarization dep. of σ_{cc}^{total}
- Polarized σ_{NC}
- Polarization asymmetry in NC

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- EW & QCD fits
- Combination of H1 & ZEUS
- Structure function xF_3
- Summary

HERA (1992-2007)



HERA II:

Longitudinal polarization of e beam

natural transverse polarization (Sokolov-Ternov effect) & spin rotators

typically $P_e = (N_R - N_L)/(N_R + N_L) \approx 35\%$ build-up time ~30 min



Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS)



| $Q^2 = -q^2 = -(k-k')^2$ | virtuality of γ^* , Z^0 , W |
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| $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Q}^2 / 2(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{q})$ | Bjorken x |
| $\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{q})/(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{k})$ | inelasticity |

 $Q^2 = sxy$ $s=(k+P)^2$

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Neutral Current (NC): $e^{\pm}p \rightarrow e^{\pm}X$



Charged Current (CC): $e^{T}p \rightarrow v X$

Factorisation:

 $\sigma_{DIS} \sim \hat{\sigma} \otimes pdf(x)$

σ – perturbative QCD cross section pdf – universal parton distribution functions

NC & CC at HERA

→ unpolarized H1, ZEUS (HERA I+II)

electroweak unification:

σ_{NC} ≈ σ_{CC} at Q² ≥ M_Z², M_W² → residual differences due to u/d
flavour asymmetry and helicity factors

NC & CC are described well by the SM
→ quarks are pointlike down to 1/1000
of the proton radius : R_q < 10⁻¹⁸ m

Polarization Dependence of the Total CC Cross Section

 σ_{CC}^{tot} (Q² > 400 GeV², y<0.9) HERA Charged Current e[±]p Scattering [qd] ²² ²⁵ 100 $e^+p \rightarrow \overline{v}X$ weak CC is pure left-handed (V-A): • H1 HERA I • H1 HERA II (prel.) △ ZEUS 06-07 ZEUS HERA I e⁻p $\sigma_{CC}^{e^{\pm}p} = (1 \pm P_{e})\sigma_{CC}^{e^{\pm}p}(P_{e} = 0)$ 80 $e^{-}p \rightarrow vX$ • H1 HERA I • H1 HERA II (prel.) ▲ ZEUS 98-06 60 HERAPDF 1.0 40 \rightarrow linear dependence on the longitudinal polarization of e beam both for e⁺ and e⁻ e⁺p 20 $Q^2 > 400 \text{ GeV}^2$ v < 0.9 0 -0.5 0.5 0 P e_R absence of right-handed weak current V. Chekelian, Polarized ep collisions ICHEP 2010, Paris 22.07.2010 and EW&QCD fits at HERA

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 $P_{e} = (N_{R} - N_{I})/(N_{R} + N_{I})$

Polarized NC Structure Functions

 $\frac{d^2 \sigma_{NC}^{e^{\pm}p}}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} \left[Y_+ \tilde{F}_2(x,Q^2) - y^2 \tilde{F}_L(x,Q^2) \mp Y_- x \tilde{F}_3(x,Q^2) \right] \quad Y_{\pm} = 1 \pm (1-y)^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{drop terms with } \mathbf{v}_{e} \approx 0 \Rightarrow \\ \tilde{F}_{2}^{\pm} &= F_{2} \neq P_{e} a_{e} \frac{\kappa Q^{2}}{Q^{2} + M_{Z}^{2}} F_{2}^{\gamma Z} + a_{e}^{2} \left(\frac{\kappa Q^{2}}{Q^{2} + M_{Z}^{2}}\right)^{2} F_{2}^{Z} \\ &x \tilde{F}_{3}^{\pm} = -a_{e} \frac{\kappa Q^{2}}{Q^{2} + M_{Z}^{2}} x F_{3}^{\gamma Z} \pm P_{e} a_{e}^{2} \left(\frac{\kappa Q^{2}}{Q^{2} + M_{Z}^{2}}\right)^{2} x F_{3}^{Z} \\ P_{e} &= \frac{N_{R} - N_{L}}{N_{R} + N_{L}}, \quad N_{R}(N_{L}) \text{- number of right (left)} \\ & handed \text{ leptons in the beam} \qquad \kappa^{-1} = 4 \frac{M_{W}^{2}}{M_{Z}^{2}} \left(1 - \frac{M_{W}^{2}}{M_{Z}^{2}}\right) \\ \text{in QPM:} \qquad \left[F_{2}, F_{2}^{\gamma Z}, F_{2}^{Z}\right] = x \sum_{q} \left[e_{q}^{2}, 2e_{q}\mathbf{v}_{q}, \mathbf{v}_{q}^{2} + a_{q}^{2}\right] (q + \overline{q}) \\ &\left[x F_{3}^{\gamma Z}, x F_{3}^{Z}\right] = 2x \sum_{q} \left[e_{q}a_{q}, \mathbf{v}_{q}a_{q}\right] (q - \overline{q}) \end{aligned}$$

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Polarisation asymmetry in NC

 $A(e^{\pm}p) = \frac{2}{P_{R} - P_{L}} \cdot \frac{\sigma_{NC}^{\pm}(P_{R} > 0) - \sigma_{NC}^{\pm}(P_{L} < 0)}{\sigma_{NC}^{\pm}(P_{R} > 0) + \sigma_{NC}^{\pm}(P_{L} < 0)}$

→ a direct measure of parity violation in NC

 \rightarrow sensitive to the ratio of valence guarks d_v/u_v

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Combined EW and QCD Fits

Combination of H1 and ZEUS

The ultimate goal is to get combined HERA data set which includes expert knowledge in the treatment of the correlations between many individual data sets from H1 and ZEUS \rightarrow precise, complete and easy in use

Published: combination of inclusive unpolarized NC & CC cross sections from H1 & ZEUS at HERA I (1994-2000) Recent: combination of H1 & ZEUS at HERA I and HERA II :

Structure Function $xF_3(x,Q^2)$

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Summary

- The polarized NC&CC e[±]p cross sections are measured using HERA II data

- → linear dependence of σ_{CC}^{total} on P_e is consistent with the absence of the right-handed charged currents
- → polarization asymmetry in NC demonstrates the parity violation at small distances, down to about 10^{-18} m
- \rightarrow measurement of the structure function xF_3 is directly sensitive to the valence quark distributions
- The combined EW and QCD fits are performed by H1 and ZEUS using polarized and unpolarized data from HERA
 → the light quark couplings to the Z boson are measured
- The combination of the H1 and ZEUS data :
 → published for HERA I and on the way for the entire data from HERA