



Measurement of beauty and charm production in deep inelastic scattering at HERA and measurement of the beauty-quark mass

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Outline

- Heavy flavour physics at HERA
- Experimental procedure
- Results



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ZEUS experiment at HERA



- Protons 920 GeV
- Electrons 27.6 GeV
- Operational: 1992-2000 (HERA I)

2003-2007 (HERA II)

 $\sqrt{s} = 318 \text{ GeV}$

- **ZEUS** general purpose hermetic detector
- Accumulated 0.5 fb⁻¹ of data
- This measurement: HERA II (354 pb⁻¹)



Heavy flavour physics at HERA

• Beauty and charm quarks are produced in the LO via Boson-Gluon Fusion:



Mass treatment in QCD

• Multi-hard-scale problem ($m_{hc}^{}$, $p_{\tau}^{}$, Q^2) \rightarrow several calculation schemes exist

Massive scheme (FFNS)

Rigorous, fully massive treatment



- Expected to be valid at scales ~ m_{b c}
- Programs exist to calculate fully differential cross sections (HVQDIS, FMNR)

Mixed schemes (GM-VFNS)

- Employ both FFNS and ZM-VFNS
- Interpolation is ambiguous \rightarrow various approaches (RT, ACOT etc.) exist

Massless scheme (ZM-VFNS)

Neglects heavy quark masses



- Allows resummation of terms proportional to $\log(Q^2/m_{bc}^2)$
- Expected to be valid at scales >>m

Heavy flavour measurements can help to test and improve the schemes

Secondary vertex method

Tag: jet + secondary vertex

- Employs long lifetime of ground state hadrons containing charm or beauty quarks
- No specific decay mode requirement
 → increase in statistics
- Select tracks belonging to a jet
 - > p_T(track)>500 MeV
- Fit a secondary vertex
- Project decay length onto a jet axis
- Calculate decay length significance

Phase space of the measurement:

 $5 < Q^2 < 1000 \text{ GeV}^2$ 0.02 < y < 0.7 $E_T^{\text{jet}} > 5(4.2) \text{ GeV}$ $-1.6 < n^{\text{jet}} < 2.2$



Secondary vertex method (cont'd)

• Decay length significance:

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- Charm & Beauty MC: RAPGAP
- Light Flavour (LF) MC: ARIADNE

- Charm and beauty asymmetric due to long lifetime
- Get rid of symmetric part by "mirroring"

Secondary vertex method (cont'd)



- Discriminating variables:
 - \rightarrow mirrored significance

 \rightarrow mass

- Three bins are fitted simultaneously
- Total light flavour normalization is fixed by unmirrored significance

Control distributions (charm)

- Charm enrichment:
 S⁺-S⁻>4
 1 < m_{vtx} < 2 GeV
- High purity charm sample!



Good description of the data by the Monte Carlo

Control distributions (beauty)

- **ZEUS Beauty** enrichment: $2 < m_{vtx} < 6 \text{ GeV}, |S| > 8$ 10^{3} 500 Entries Entries S⁺-S⁻>8 ZEUS 354 pb⁻¹ Monte Carlo 400 Charm 10² Beauty $2 < m_{vtx} < 6 \text{ GeV}$ 300 200 10 High purity 100 beauty sample! 10 15 20 25 35 -1.5 -1 -0.5 5 30 40 0 5 2 2.5 0 1. η^{jet} E^{jet}_T (GeV) Entries Entries 150 300 100 200 50 100 0 2 2.5 3 $\log_{10}(Q^2/GeV^2)$ -3.5 -3 -2.5 -2 -1.5 1.5 -4 0.5 -4.5 -1 1 log₁₀x
 - Good description of the data by the Monte Carlo

Systematic uncertainties

	Source	Beauty	Charm
		(%)	(%)
δ_1	Event and DIS selection	± 1.4	± 0.8
δ_2	Trigger efficiency	+2.0	+1.0
δ_3	Tracking efficiency	± 2.0	± 0.5
δ_4	Decay-length smearing	± 1.3	± 1.2
δ_5	Signal extraction procedure	± 0.8	± 0.8
δ_6	Jet energy scale	± 0.7	± 0.9
δ_7	EM energy scale	± 0.3	± 0.1
δ_8	Charm Q^2 reweighting $(\delta_8^{Q^2,c})$	± 1.7	± 1.8
	Beauty Q^2 reweighting $(\delta_8^{Q^2,b})$	± 2.9	± 0.4
	Charm η^{jet} reweighting $(\delta_8^{\eta^{\text{jet}},c})$	$^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$	$^{+1.5}_{-1.0}$
	Beauty η^{jet} reweighting $(\delta_8^{\eta^{\text{jet}},b})$	$^{+0.7}_{-0.4}$	$^{+0.0}_{-0.1}$
	Charm E_T^{jet} reweighting $(\delta_8^{E_T^{\text{jet}},c})$	$^{+1.7}_{-1.3}$	$^{+2.2}_{-1.7}$
	Beauty E_T^{jet} reweighting $(\delta_8^{E_T^{\text{jet}},b})$	$^{+5.4}_{-4.2}$	$^{+0.5}_{-0.6}$
δ_9	Light-flavour asymmetry	± 0.4	± 2.0
δ_{10}	Charm fragmentation function	-0.9	+1.0
δ_{11}	Beauty fragmentation function	-3.1	+0.0
δ_{12}	BR and fragmentation fractions	$+1.8 \\ -2.1$	$+3.5 \\ -2.6$
δ_{13}	Luminosity measurement	± 1.9	± 1.9
	Total	$+8.0 \\ -7.6$	$^{+6.0}_{-5.1}$

- Control of systemtatics at a few-percent level
- Among the dominant uncertainties:

→ charm: branching ratios and fragmentation fractions knowledge

 \rightarrow beauty: MC model

dependence

Theory predictions

- HVQDIS program, NLO QCD massive scheme
- ZEUS-S and ABKM NLO PDFs
- $\mu_R = \mu_F = \sqrt{Q^2 + 4m_q^2}$
- Quark pole masses: $m_c = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$, $m_b = 4.75 \text{ GeV}$ (ABKM PDFs: 4.5 GeV)
- Hadronization corrections obtained with RAPGAP MC
- Uncertainties:
 - $-\mu_{R}$ and μ_{F} varied independently by 0.5 and 2
 - Charm predictions: m varied from 1.3 GeV to 1.7 GeV
 - Beauty predictions: m_{h} varied from 4.5 to 5.0 GeV
 - PDFs varied within uncertainties

Differential cross sections

- Definition: jet cross section in beauty(charm) events
- Corrected to QED Born level using RAPGAP MC



Reasonable description by FFNS NLO QCD

Differential cross sections





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Inclusive production



 Charm/beauty contribution to the proton structure function F₂:

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma^{ep \to q \bar{q}x}}{dQ^2 dx} \propto F_2^{q \bar{q}}(x, Q^2)$$

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$$\frac{d^2 \sigma^{ep \to q \bar{q} x}}{dQ^2 dx} = \frac{2 \pi \alpha^2}{x Q^4} [(1 + (1 - y)^2) \cdot F_2^{q \bar{q}}(x, Q^2) - y^2 F_L^{q \bar{q}}]$$

Reduced charm cross sections:

$$\sigma_r^{q\bar{q}} = \frac{xQ^4}{2\pi\alpha^2(1+(1-y)^2)} \frac{d^2\sigma^{ep\to q\bar{q}x}}{dQ^2dx} = F_2^{q\bar{q}}(x,Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{1+(1-y)^2}F_L^{q\bar{q}}$$

• NLO QCD* used to extrapolate from *visible* double-differential crosssections to *full phase space*:

$$F_{2,meas}^{q\bar{q}}(x_i, Q_i^2) = \frac{\sigma_{meas,i}}{\sigma_{HVQDIS,i}} F_{2,HVQDIS}^{q\bar{q}}(x_i, Q_i^2)$$

* PDF and parameter choices are consistent with Eur. Phys. J. C73 (2013) 2311

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- Good agreement with NLO QCD predictions
- Large extrapolation uncertainties at low Q² due to jet E₁ cut

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- Swum in x,Q² using NLO QCD to match the previous measurements
- Consistent with HERA combined results, and with the new measurements not yet included in the combination
- Good precision together with other new results will contribute to the next charm combination round



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 Good agreement with NLO QCD predictions



- Swum in x,Q² using NLO QCD to match previous results
- Consistent with existing measurements
- Agrees to QCD predictions in various schemes
- Most precise measurement in a wide range of Q²

\rightarrow Can we make use of it? 19

Beauty quark mass measurement

• $\sigma_r^{b\bar{b}}$ are sensitive to the beauty quark mass (mostly from low Q²) **ZEUS**



Beauty quark mass measurement

• A PDF fit of $\sigma_r^{b\bar{b}}$ (together with HERA I inclusive DIS) is performed using different values of the beauty quark running mass



Beauty quark mass running

• Let's compare to the measurements at different scales



→ The ZEUS measurement is shown at the scale of $2m_b$ (region of highest sensitivity of the data)

Consistent with running expected from QCD

Summary

- Heavy flavour measurements at HERA provide unique means to test pQCD, validity of gluon PDFs, multiple-scale problem and are sensitive to quark masses
- Beauty and charm production was measured with inclusive secondary vertex method
- Differential cross-sections are reasonably described by NLO QCD (HVQDIS program)
- Charm and beauty contributions to the proton structure function were determined
- Beauty: most precise $F_2^{b\bar{b}}$ measurement!
- Running beauty mass was determined from a QCD fit

Thanks for your attention!