Inclusive Deep-Inelastic Scattering at HERA

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Completion of the HERA inclusive DIS cross section measurements:

1. NC at E_p =460, 575 GeV and model independent F_L measurements

2. *NC* measurements at highest $x \rightarrow l$

3. Combination of all HERA I+II NC&CC inclusive measurements (HERAPDF2.0)

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Deep-Inelastic Scattering (DIS)

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



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

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H1+ZEUS in total 1 fb⁻¹

about equally shared between
 e⁺ and e⁻, positive and negative P_e
 special running at low proton energy for F_L

1. NC cross section measurements at high y and low Ep=460, 575 (and 920) GeV

Data Set		x Grid		Q^2 /GeV ² Grid		L	e ⁺ /e ⁻	√s
		from	to	from	to	pb ⁻¹		GeV
HERA II $E_p = 575 \text{GeV}$ data sets								
H1 NC high Q^2	07	0.00065	0.65	35	800	5.4	e ⁺ p	252
H1 NC low Q^2	07	0.0000279	0.0148	1.5	90	5.9	e ⁺ p	252
ZEUS NC nominal	07	0.000147	0.013349	7	110	7.1	e ⁺ p	251
ZEUS NC satellite	07	0.000125	0.013349	5	110	7.1	e ⁺ p	251
HERA II $E_p = 460 \text{GeV}$ data sets								
H1 NC high Q^2	07	0.00081	0.65	35	800	11.8	e+ p	225
H1 NC low Q^2	07	0.0000348	0.0148	1.5	90	12.2	e ⁺ p	225
ZEUS NC nominal	07	0.000184	0.016686	7	110	13.9	e ⁺ p	225
ZEUS NC satellite	07	0.000143	0.016686	5	110	13.9	e ⁺ p	225

H1: NC high Q2: Eur. Phys. J. C 74 (2014) 2814 (previously published NC low Q2: Eur.Phys.J.C71 (2011) 1579)

ZEUS: NC "nominal" and "satellite": DESY-14-053 measurements at E_p= 460, 575, 920 GeV
→ supersede results of Phys. Lett. B 682 (2009) 8



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NC at high y for $E_p = 460$, 575 (and 920) GeV

Experimental challenge: large γp background at high y (low scattered electron energy)





→ "soft electron identification":

optimal use of information on shower shape in LAr calorimeter, momentum matching with the track, dE/dx

→ accept only electron candidates with the "*right electric charge*" and use the "*wrong charge*" events for estimation of remaining Vertex background.



ZEUS: E_e down to 6 GeV

→ "backward tracking": use hits in the tracking detectors



→ remaining bkg is subtracted using MC predictions verified from 6m-tagger and γp enriched sample (agreement within 10%) A model independent measurement of F_L using data at E_p =460, 575 and 920 (820) GeV

 $\rightarrow\,F_L$ and $F_2\,$ can be determined in a model independent way at each x and Q^2

 $\sigma_{\rm NC}(x,Q^2,y) = F_2(x,Q^2) - f(y) F_1(x,Q^2), f(y)=y^2/(1+(1-y)^2)$



$F_{\rm L}$ and $F_{\rm 2}$ measurements as a function of Q^2 and x



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Longitudinal structure function F_L



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2. Integrated $e^{\pm}p$ NC cross section at high $x \rightarrow 1$

NC events at high Q^2 have about 100% acceptance and efficiency for the scattered electron but at highest x the hadronic final state disappears in the beam pipe and there are no means to measure x



ZEUS measured the integrated e[±]p NC cross sections at $x \rightarrow 1$ using events without jets at x above x_{edge} .

$$\int\limits_{x_{\rm edge}}^{1} \frac{d^2\sigma(x,Q^2)}{dxdQ^2} dx$$

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NC $e^{\pm}p$ cross section at highest x



→ there is sensitivity to PDFs at high $x \rightarrow 1$. These integrated measurements are not used so far in the QCD fits (and in the combination below)

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3. Combination of all inclusive NC and CC $e^{\pm}p$ data from H1 an ZEUS

41 data sets from H1 and ZEUS (1 fb⁻¹): $0.045 \le Q^2 \le 50000 \text{ GeV}^2$, $6 \ 10^{-7} \le x \le 0.65$

21 data sets from HERA I (E_p =920 and 820 GeV) and 20 data sets from HERA II (12/4/4 sets for E_p = 920/575/460 GeV)



Combination of the H1 & ZEUS incl. unpolarized NC and CC data include expert knowledge in the treatment of the correlations between individual data sets.

- \rightarrow precise, complete and easy in use
- \rightarrow reduction of stat. and syst. uncertainties

HERA I data: JHEP 1001:109,2010 HERAPDF 1.0
 HERA I and preliminary HERA II data HERAPDF 1.5

HERAverager (wiki-zeuthen.desy.de/HERAverager) is used for the cross section averaging, 162 corr. syst. sources are treated as multiplicative, the following χ^2 definition is used:

$$\chi^{2}_{\exp,ds}(\boldsymbol{m}, \boldsymbol{b}) = \sum_{i,ds} + \sum_{j,b} = \sum_{i} \frac{\left[m^{i} - \sum_{j} \gamma^{i}_{j} m^{i} b_{j} - \mu^{i}\right]^{2}}{\delta^{2}_{i,\text{stat}} \mu^{i} \left(m^{i} - \sum_{j} \gamma^{i}_{j} m^{i} b_{j}\right) + \left(\delta_{i,\text{uncor}} m^{i}\right)^{2}} + \sum_{j} b^{2}_{j}$$

Three additional procedural errors :

- multiplicative vs. additive
- correlation over all data sets of photoproduction bkg and hadronic energy scale uncertainties

Averaging of all NC and CC HERA I+II data

2927 cross sections are combined to 1307 points with 165 correlated systematic errors



→ up to 6 measurements are combined into one averaged point → good consistency of the input data sets ($\chi^2/ndf = 1685/1620$)

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Comparison of combinations HERA I+II vs. HERA I



 \rightarrow significant improvements in precision at high Q² (especially for e⁻p NC&CC) and at high y: about 1% precision in the best measured regions

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Combined NC and CC data set from HERA (HERAPDF2.0)

e[±]p NC&CC (E_p=920 GeV), e⁺p NC (E_p = 820, 575, 460 GeV), corresponding to 1 fb⁻¹ → 165 correlated syst. err.; $0.045 \le Q^2 \le 50000 \text{ GeV}^2$, $6 \ 10^{-7} \le x \le 0.65$



→ for QCD analysis of the combined data (HERAPDF2.0) see talk of Katarzyna Wichmann

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Conclusions

H1 and ZEUS completed inclusive DIS cross section measurements at HERA

- e^+p NC cross sections measurements at low E_p =460 and 575 GeV and a model independent determination of F_L .
- ZEUS e[±]p NC measurements at high $x \rightarrow 1$
- All inclusive $e^{\pm}p$ NC and CC cross sections at E_p =920, 820, 575 and 460 GeV are combined in one coherent HERA data set which is used as a sole input to the HERAPDF 2.0 QCD fits