

*Measurement of Feynman-x spectra of
Forward Photons and Neutrons in DIS at HERA*

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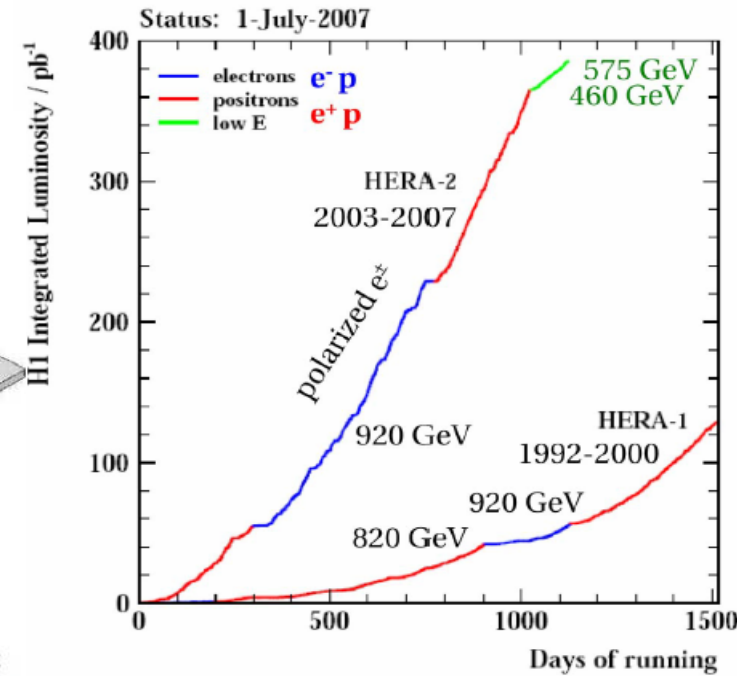
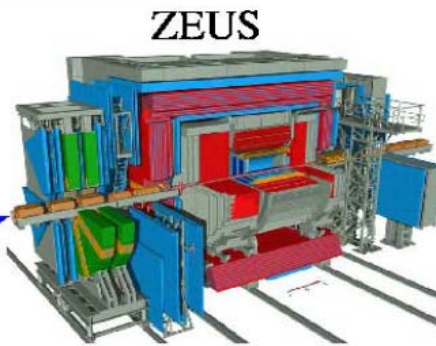
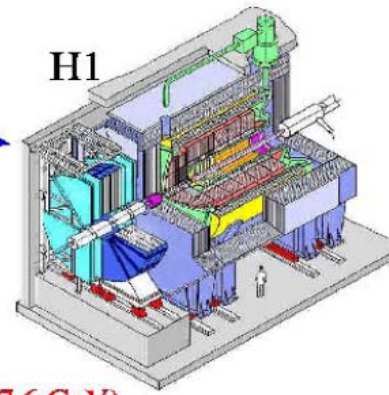
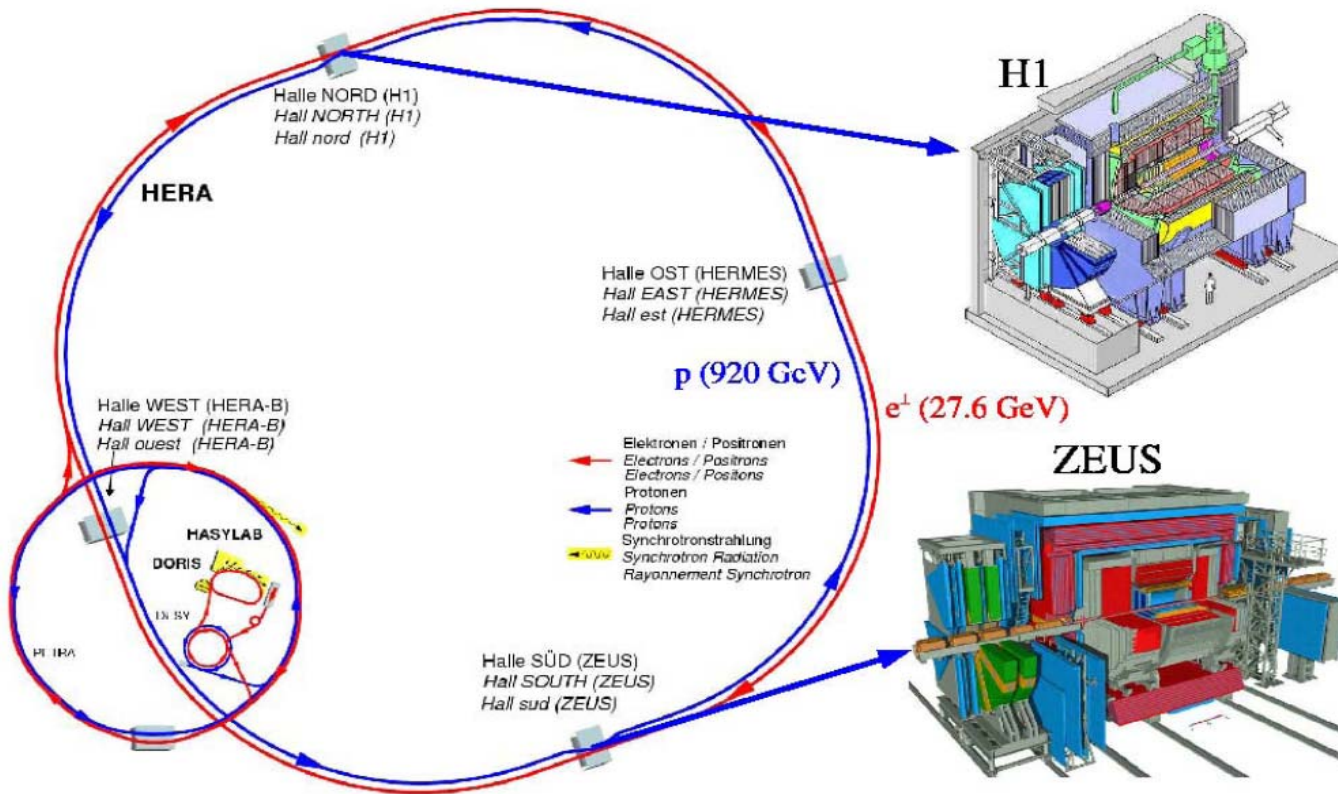
HERA

The first electron-proton collider at DESY Hamburg (1992-2007)

$$E_{e^\pm} = 27.6 \text{ GeV} \quad E_p = 920 \text{ GeV}$$

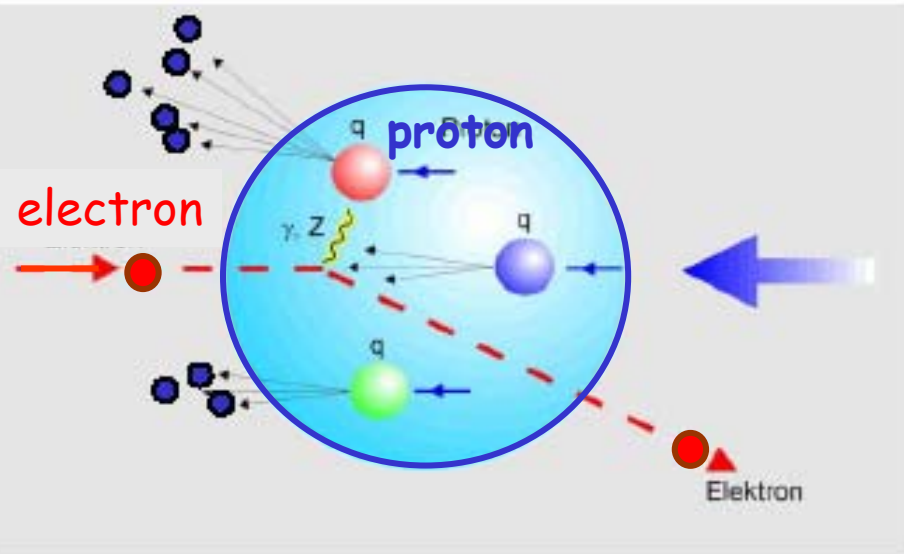
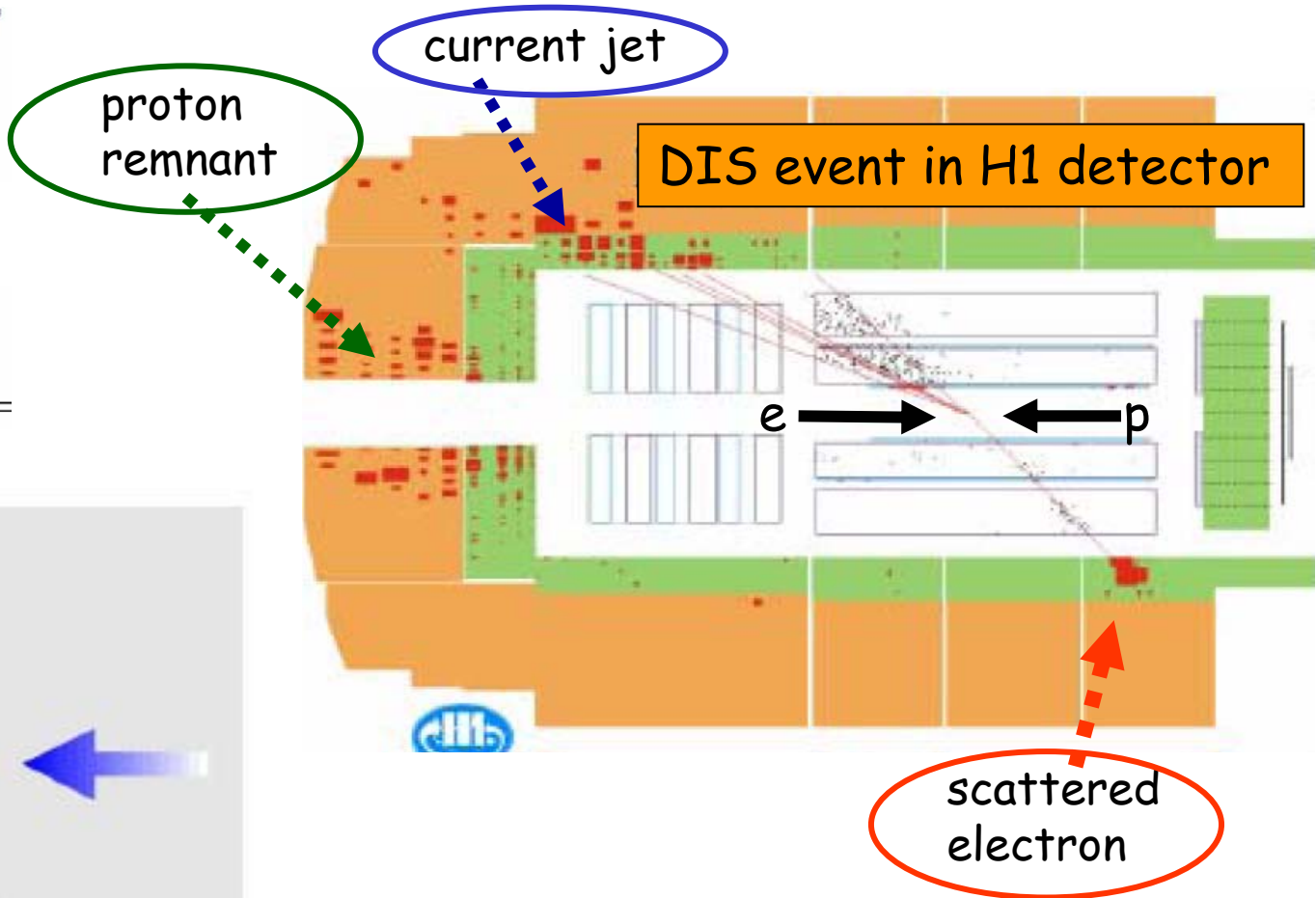
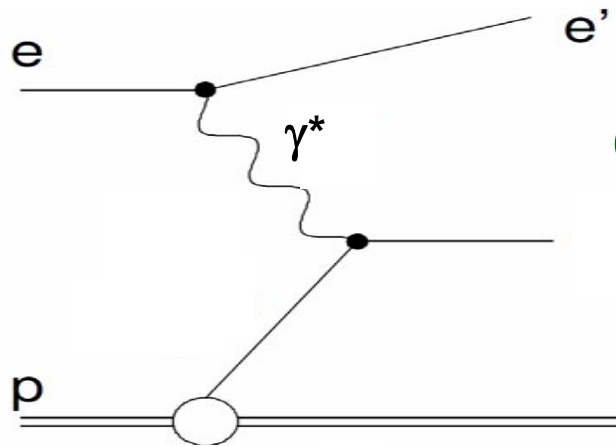
Total centre-of-mass energy of collision up to $\sqrt{s} \approx 320 \text{ GeV}$
(equivalent to $5 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ eV}$ photon on a stationary proton target)

Two collider experiments: H1 and ZEUS

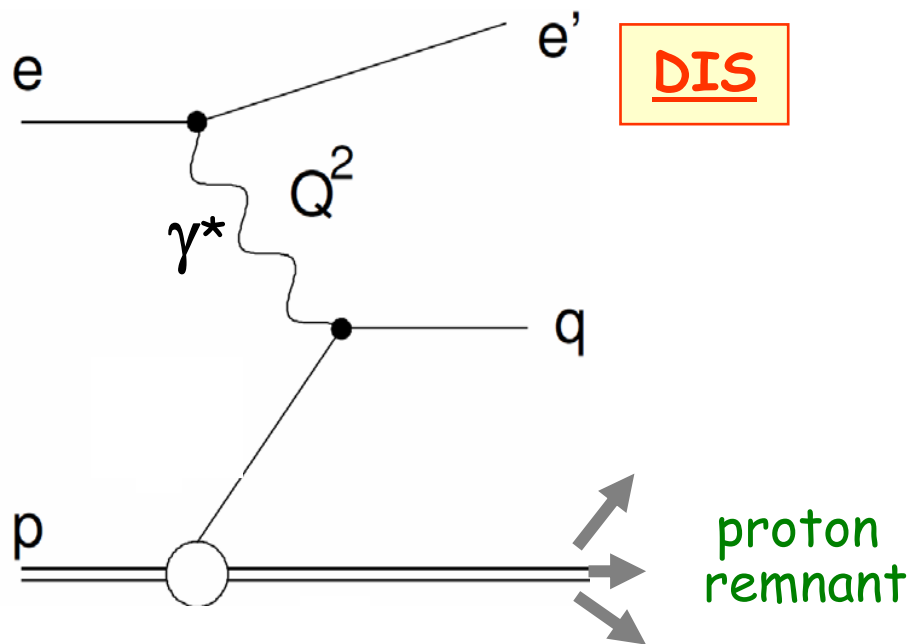


total lumi:
 0.5 fb^{-1} per experiment

DIS - a probe of proton structure



Motivation: Forward Particles in ep interactions



Significant fraction of ep scattering events contains in the final state an energetic very forward particle, which carries a substantial fraction of the energy of the incoming proton

('forward' \equiv proton fragmentation region)

In central (current) region the hard QCD scale is given by Q^2 (and/or high p_{\perp} , m_q); the proton fragmentation region is non-pQCD regime - essential differences between theory predictions

A better understanding of forward particle production is needed

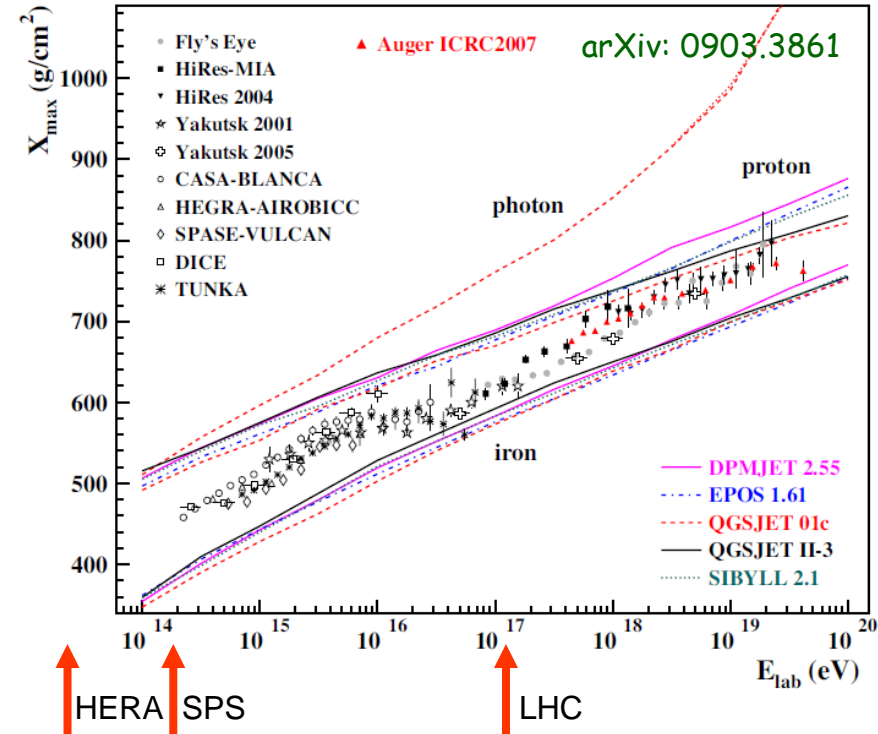
ep collisions - a clean environment to study the proton fragmentation

Measurements very useful for MC model tuning

Motivation: High Energy Cosmic Ray Physics



Shower max vs. CR (lab) Energy



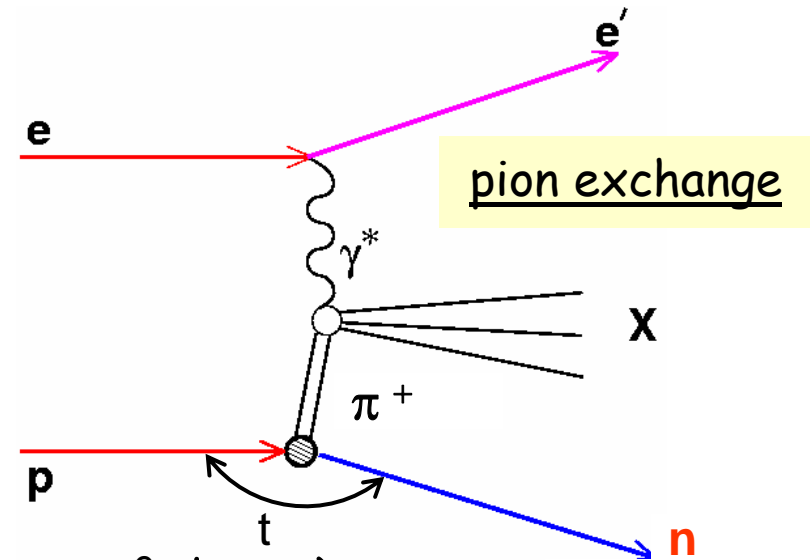
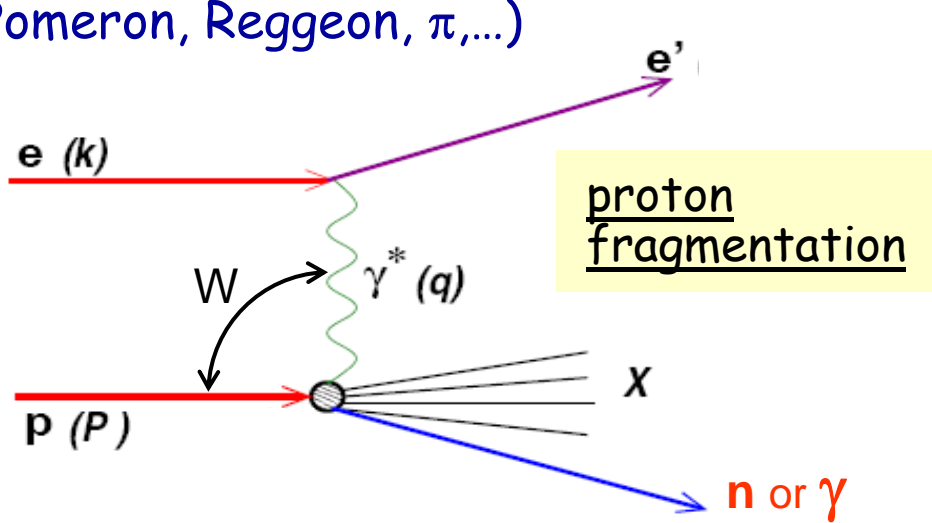
The tuning of cosmic ray interaction models crucially depends on the input from the measurements at accelerators

In particular, the forward measurements (baryons, π^0 , γ) are of the greatest importance, since the shower development is dominated by the forward, soft interactions.

So far, only scarce data on Forward Production at High Energies, e.g. UA5, UA7 (SPS), LHCf at 900 GeV, 7 TeV

Forward neutron and photon production in ep interaction

Energetic forward particles are produced at a very small angles from the fragmentation of proton remnant (e.g. Lund string) or from the exchange mechanism (Pomeron, Reggeon, π, \dots)



Photons - from proton fragmentation (mainly from π^0 decay)

Neutrons - from proton fragmentation and from pion exchange

$$Q^2 = -q^2 = -(k-k')^2 \quad \text{photon virtuality}$$

$$y = (\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{p}) / (\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{p}) \quad \text{inelasticity}$$

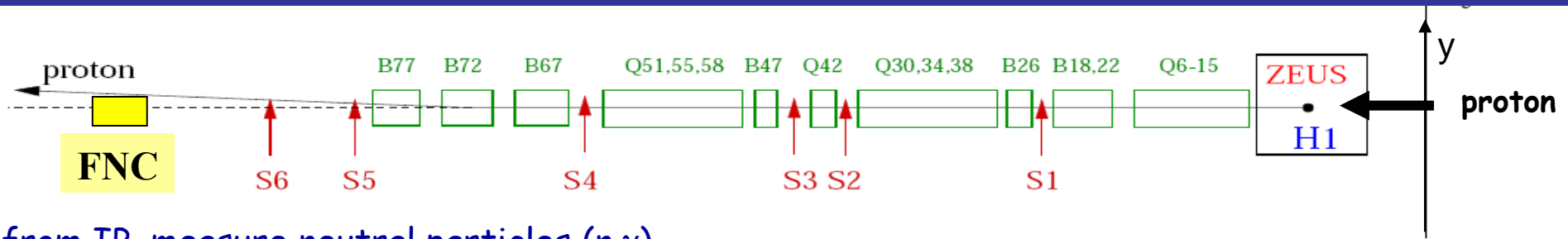
$$W^2 = (q+p)^2 \quad \gamma^* p \text{ CM energy}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_L = \mathbf{E}_{n,\gamma} / \mathbf{E}_p \quad \text{long. momentum fraction}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_F = \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\parallel}^*}{\mathbf{p}_{\parallel \max}^*} = \frac{2\mathbf{p}_{\parallel}^*}{\mathbf{W}} \quad \text{Feynman } x$$

(for very forward particles $\mathbf{x}_F \approx \mathbf{x}_L$)

H1 Forward Neutron Calorimeter FNC



106m from IP, measure neutral particles (n, γ)
 Acceptance limited by beam apertures and detector size

Main Calorimeter: 8.9λ

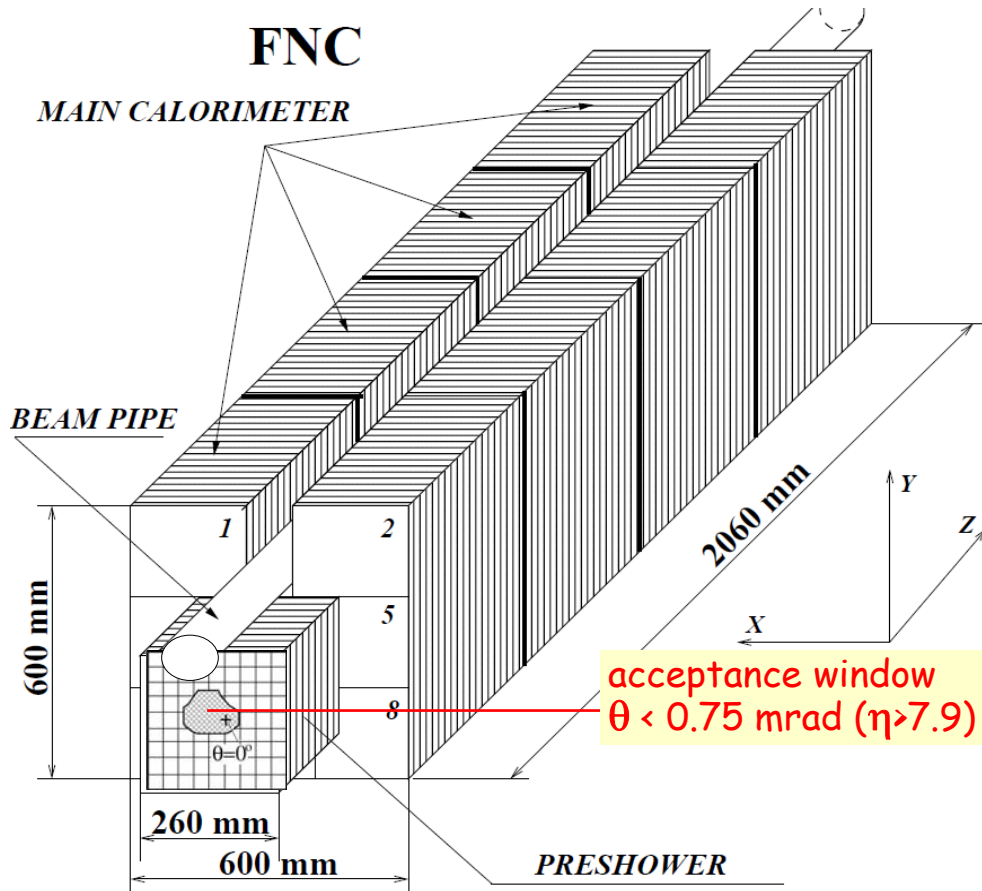
$$\sigma(E)/E \approx 63\% / \sqrt{E [\text{GeV}]} \oplus 3\%$$

$$\sigma(x, y) \approx 10\text{cm} / \sqrt{E [\text{GeV}]} \oplus 0.6\text{cm}$$

Preshower: 1.6λ ($60X_0$)

$$\sigma(E)/E \approx 20\% / \sqrt{E [\text{GeV}]} \oplus 2\%$$

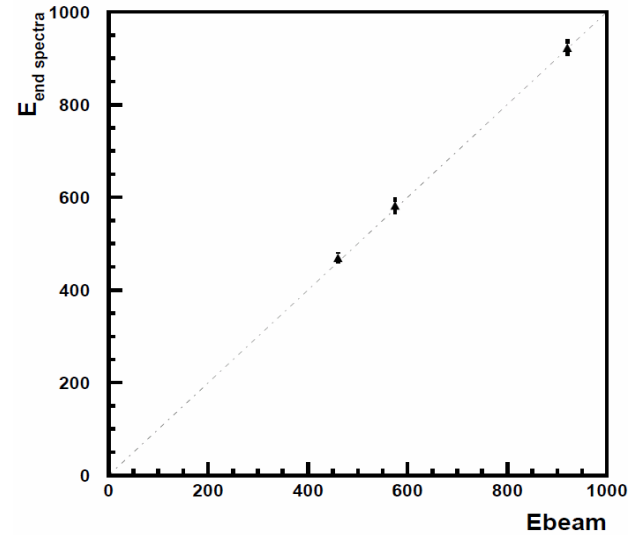
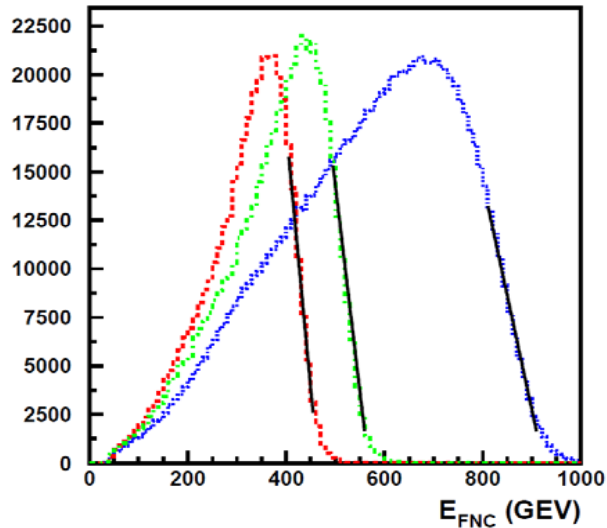
$$\sigma(x, y) \approx 2\text{mm}$$



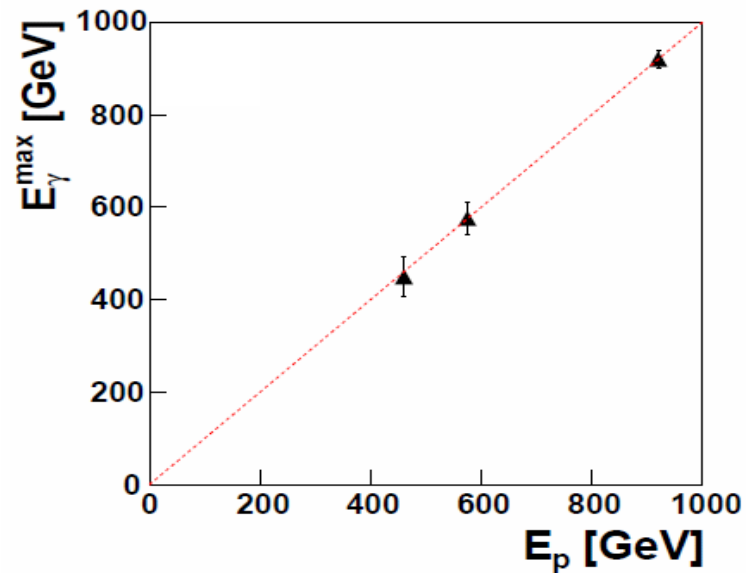
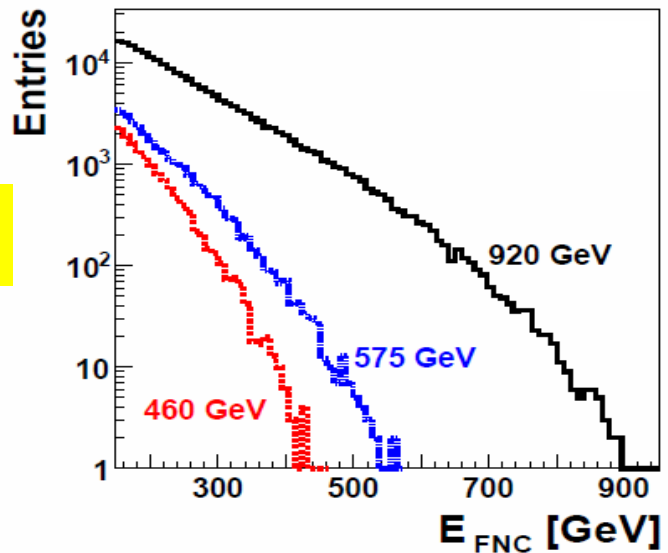
Control of energy calibration and linearity check

HERA ep data: LER (460 GeV), MER (575 GeV), HER (920 GeV)

n



γ

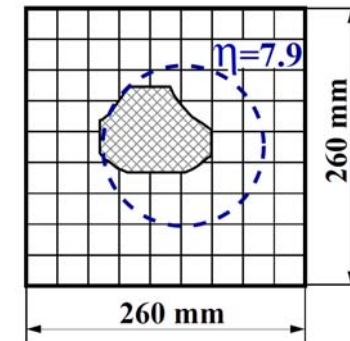


The phase space of the measurements

HERA II period 2006-2007

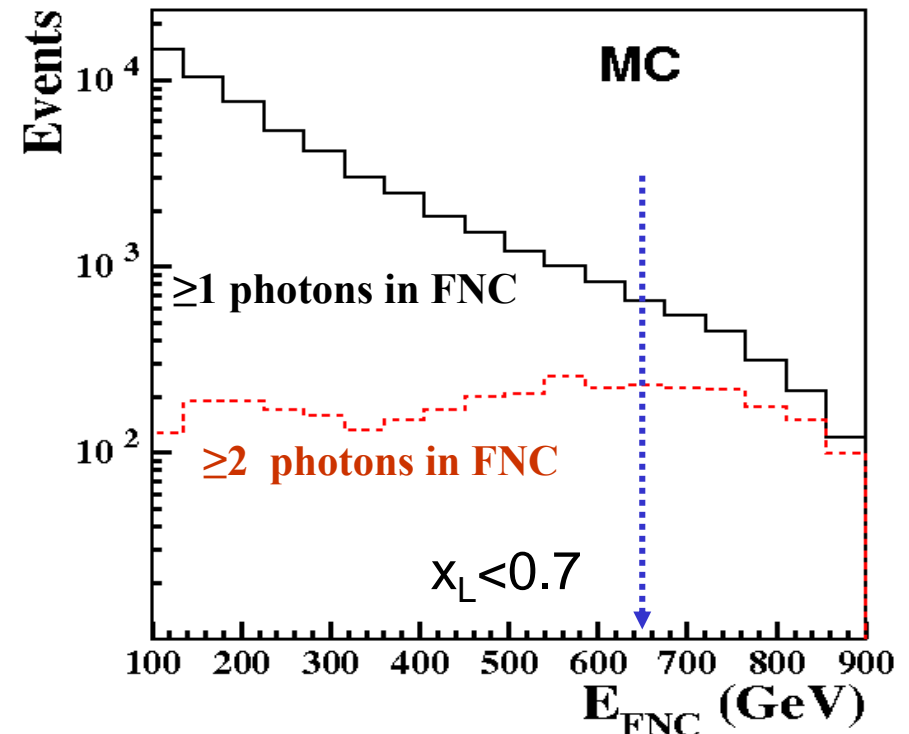
Luminosity= 131 pb⁻¹

230000 neutron events; 83000 photon events



at high x_L , many photon candidates FNC clusters originate from more than one photons;
 → suppress multi-photon events with cut $x_L < 0.7$

NC DIS Selection	
$6 < Q^2 < 100 \text{ GeV}^2$	
$0.05 < y < 0.6$	
$70 < W < 245 \text{ GeV}$	
Forward photons	Forward neutrons
$\eta > 7.9$	$\eta > 7.9$
$0.1 < x_F < 0.7$	$0.1 < x_F < 0.94$
$0 < p_T^* < 0.4 \text{ GeV}$	$0 < p_T^* < 0.6 \text{ GeV}$
W ranges for cross sections $\frac{1}{\sigma_{DIS}} \frac{d\sigma}{dx_F}$	
$70 < W < 130 \text{ GeV}$	
$130 < W < 190 \text{ GeV}$	
$190 < W < 245 \text{ GeV}$	



Results

- Study the energy dependence of forward photon and neutron production
- Measure cross sections $\sigma_{n,\gamma}/\sigma_{\text{DIS}}$ vs $W_{\gamma p}$
- Measure cross sections $1/\sigma_{\text{DIS}} d\sigma/dx_F$
(cross sections are normalised to the total DIS cross section σ_{DIS})
- Confront MC predictions with the measurements

I. Confront commonly used ep scattering MC models with data

LEPTO: DJANGO & Leading Log PS for higher orders; SCI option for forward photons

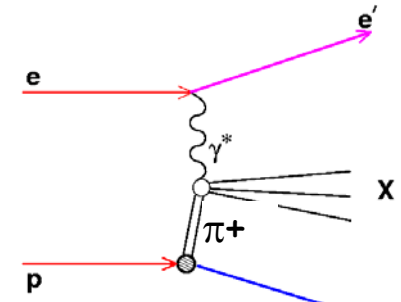
CDM: DJANGO & ARIADNE with Colour Dipole Model for higher orders

RAPGAP- π : RAPGAP, virtual photon scattering off the exchanged pion

Two production mechanisms for neutrons:
data is well described by linear combination of
proton fragmentation and π -exchange
simulations

$$\sigma(ep \rightarrow e'nX) = f_{\pi/p}(x_L, t) \times \sigma(e\pi \rightarrow e'X)$$

pion flux $e\pi$ scattering



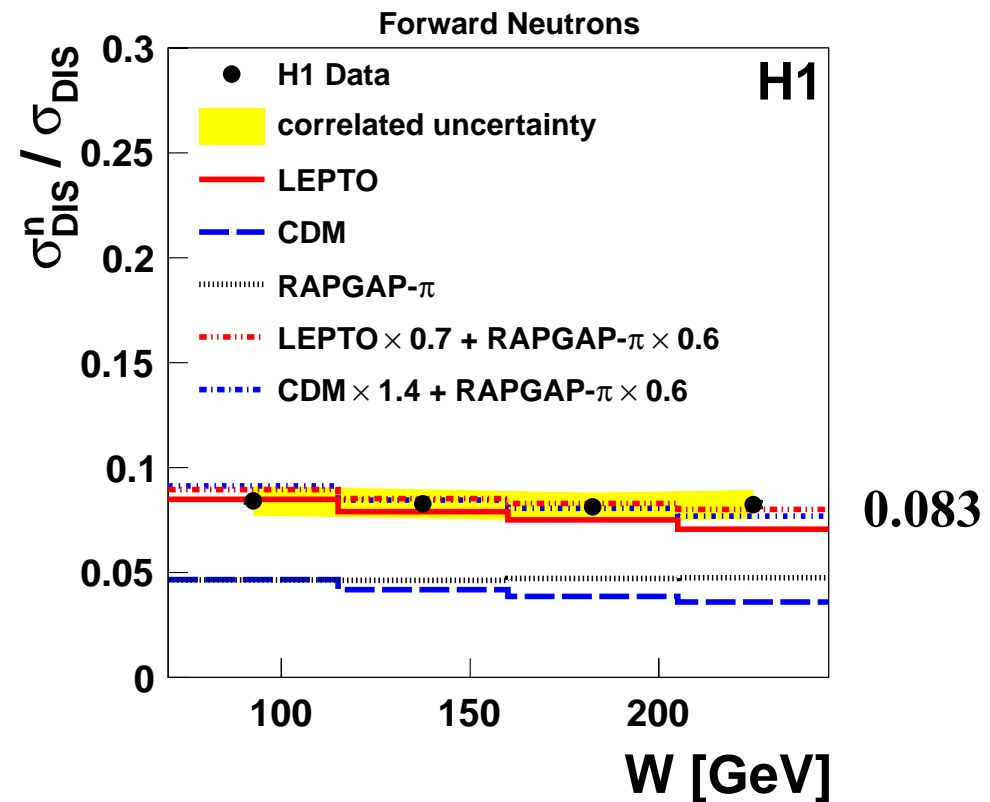
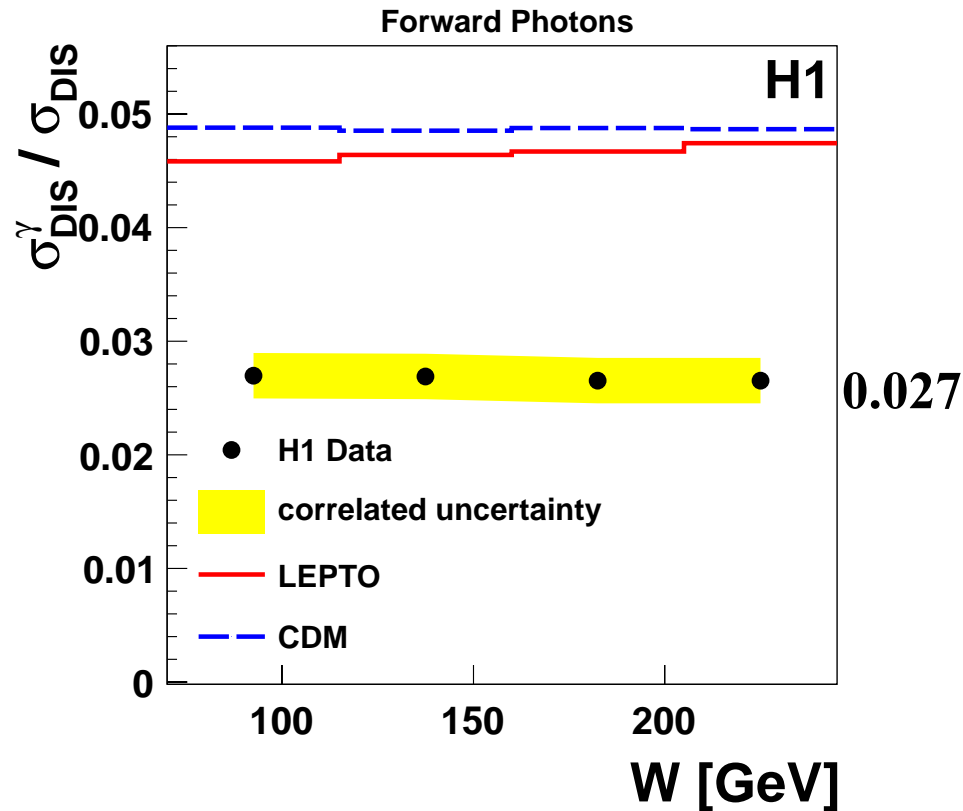
II. Confront Cosmic Ray hadronic interaction models with data

EPOS LHC, SIBYLL 2.1, QGSJET 01, QGSJET II-04

(thanks to Tanguy Pierog, Ralph Engel and Sergey Ostapchenko for providing the model predictions)

- Programs adapted to ep scattering kinematics via interface to PHOJET
- Based on Regge theory, Regge-Gribov approximation, pQCD, Unitarisation
- Internal differences in treatment of minijet production, colour string formation, fragmentation, saturation, multiparton interactions, hadron remnant treatment

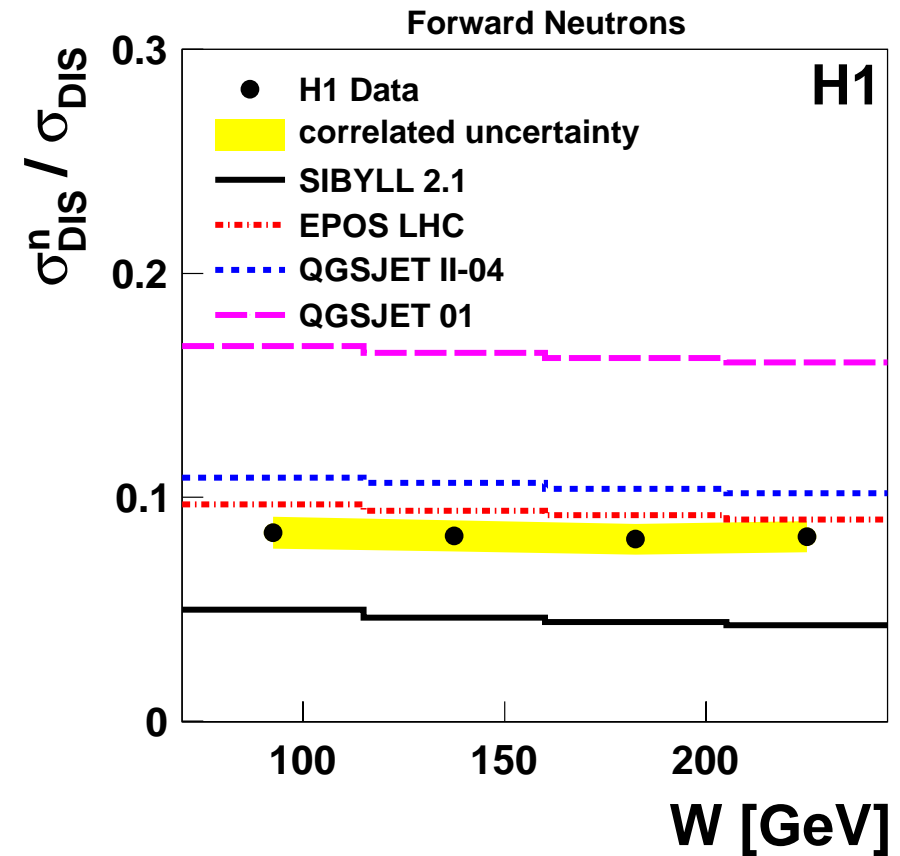
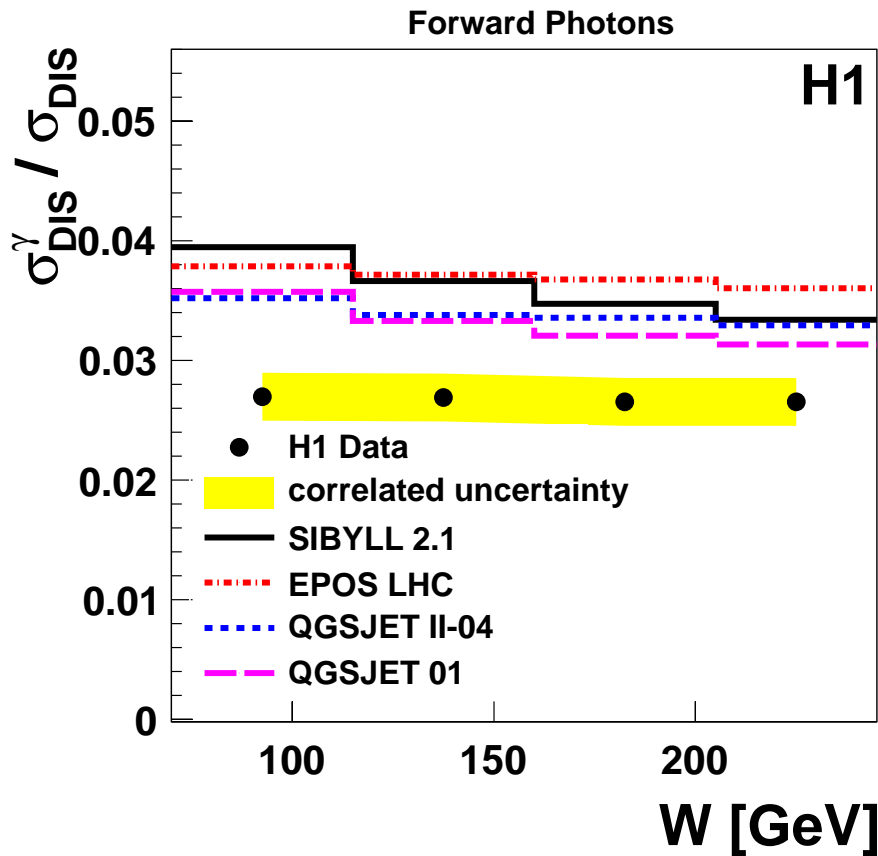
Normalised Cross Sections as a function of W



Fraction of forward photons and neutrons in DIS events independent of W
 \rightarrow limiting fragmentation

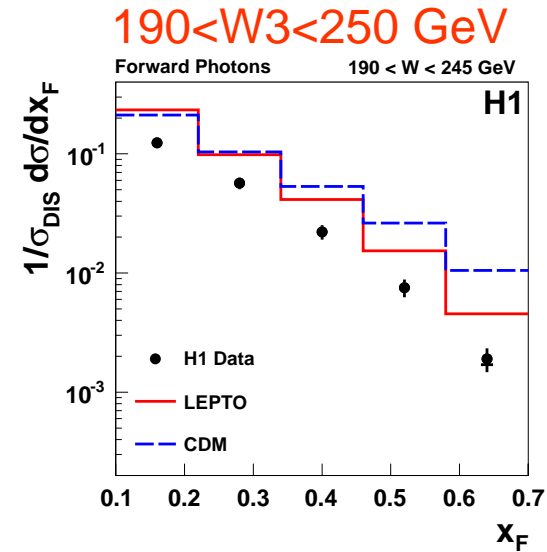
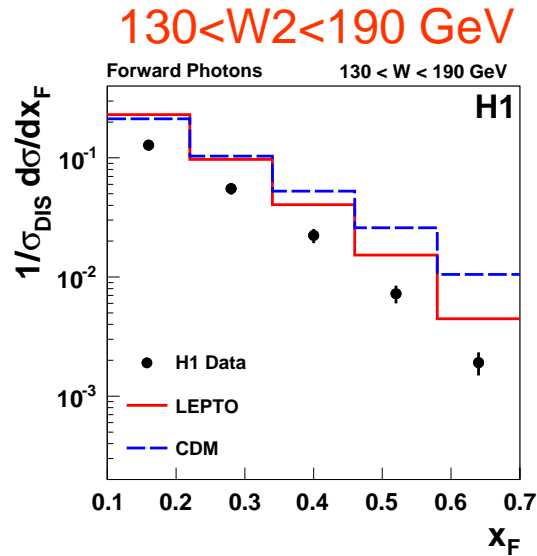
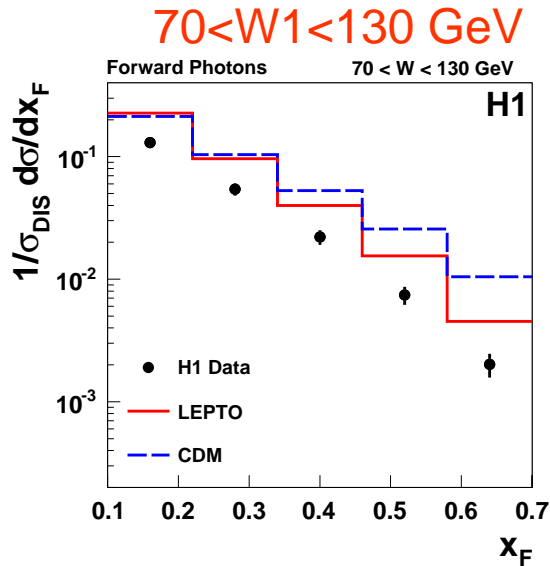
- LEPTO and CDM predict too high rate of photons, by $\sim 70\%$
- LEPTO predicts the neutron rate rather well, CDM has too low rate
- slight W dependence for LEPTO (opposite for photons and neutrons)
 \sim constant W dependence for CDM

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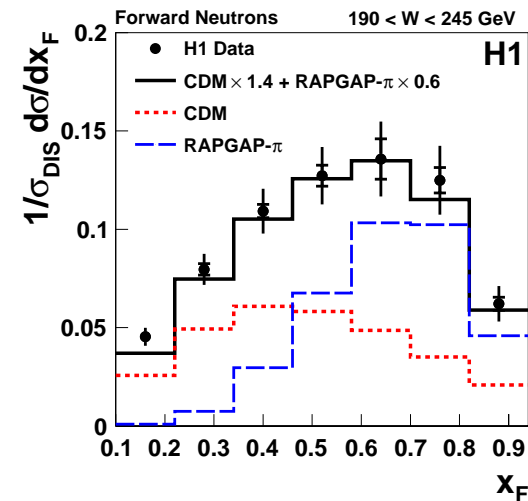
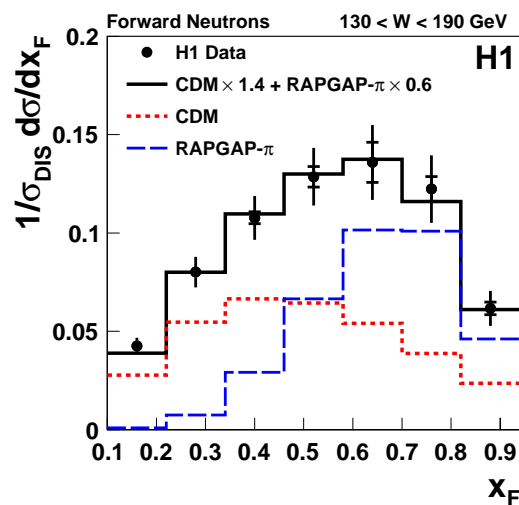
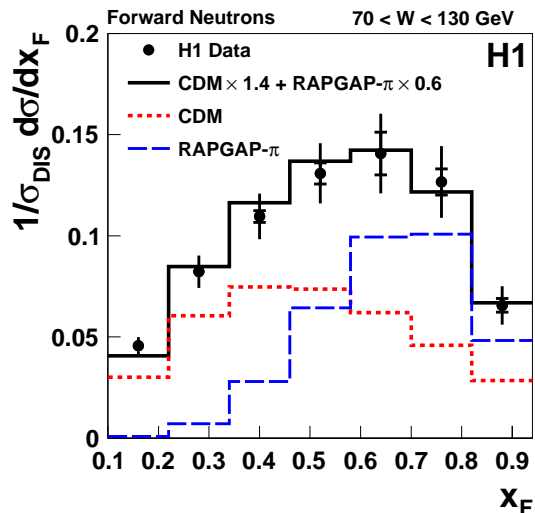


- All CR models predict too high rate of forward photons, by 30÷40%
- Large spread in the forward neutron predictions
- EPOS LHC closest, but still different
- CR models indicate a slight W dependence for photons, but less for neutrons

Normalised Cross Sections as a function of x_F in 3 W-intervals



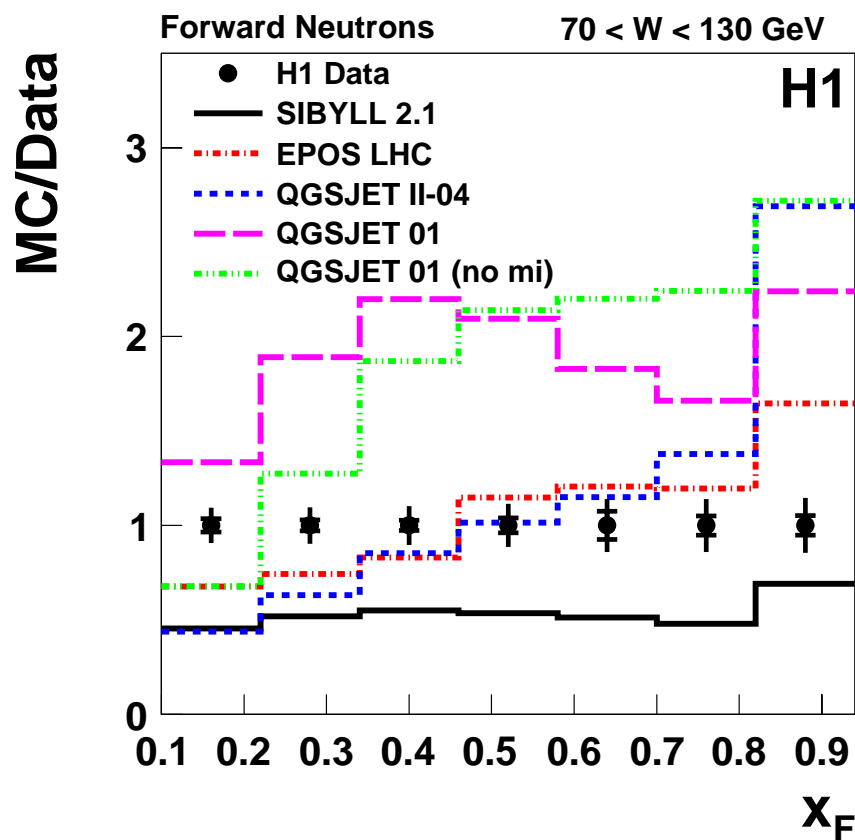
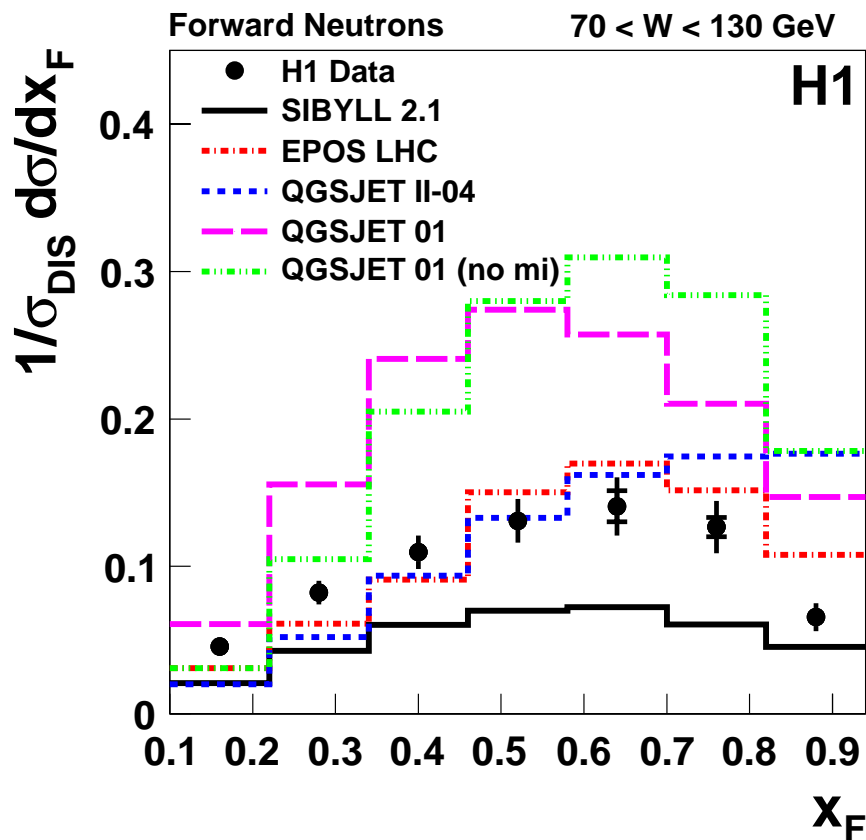
photons



neutrons

- Both LEPTO and CDM overestimate the photon rate significantly
- LEPTO describes the shape of photon x_F spectra well, CDM is too hard
- Neutron x_F spectra well described by Combination of MC models

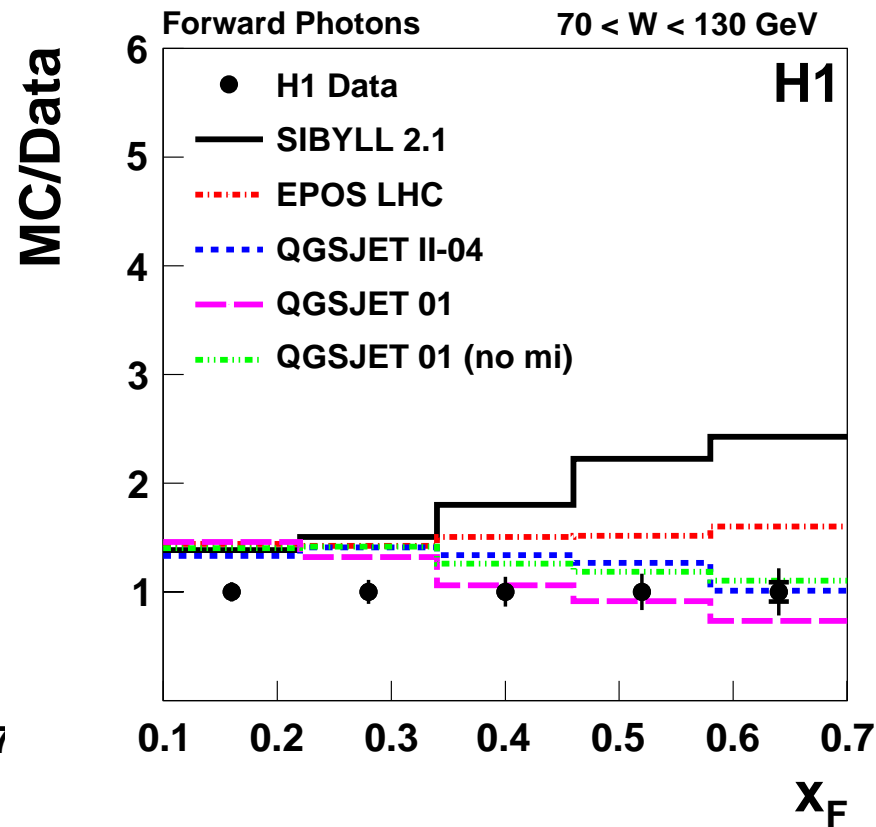
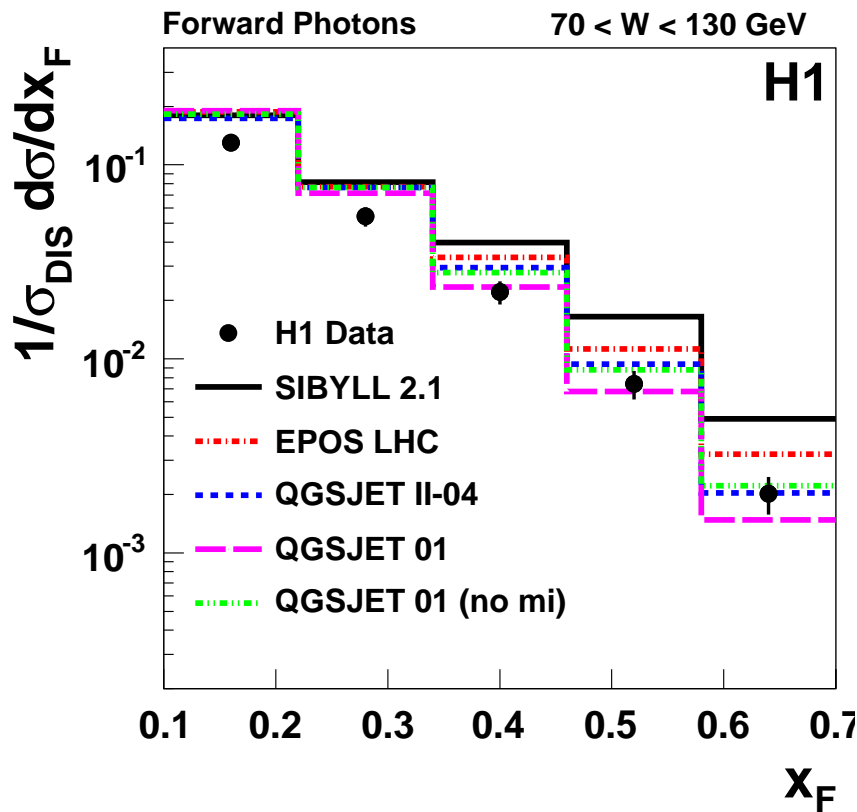
Normalised Cross Sections as a function of x_F : Neutrons



(other W -ranges look similar)

- CR models predict very different neutron rates
- SIBYLL 2.1 describes the x_F dependence (shape) but too low rate
- EPOS LHC gives reasonable description, except at highest x_F
- QGSJET II-04 model is too hard and predict too high rates
- QGSJET 01 - too high rates
- Multi-parton interactions in QGSJET 01: harder x_F dependence with "no mi"

Normalised Cross Sections as a function of x_F : Photons



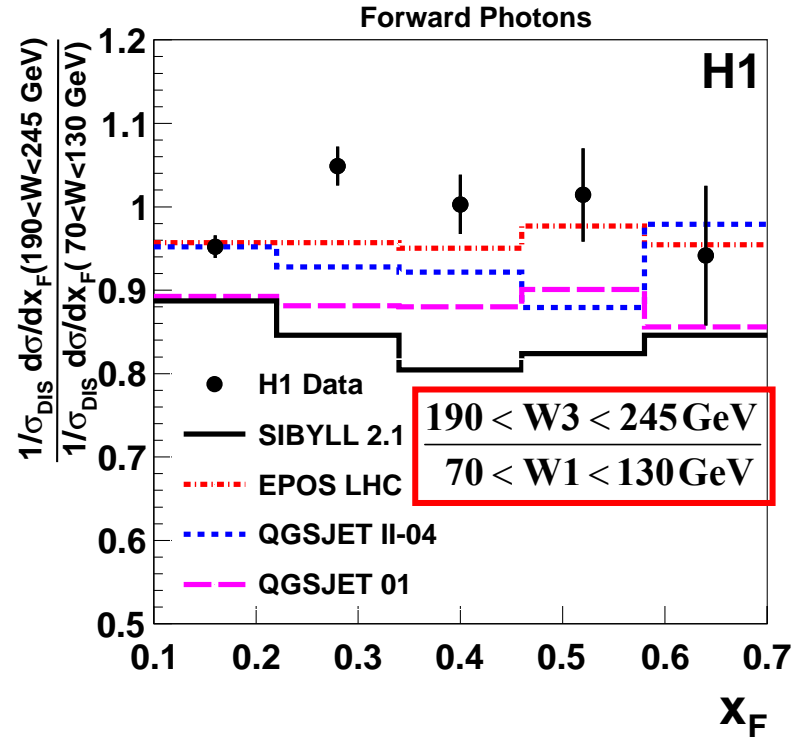
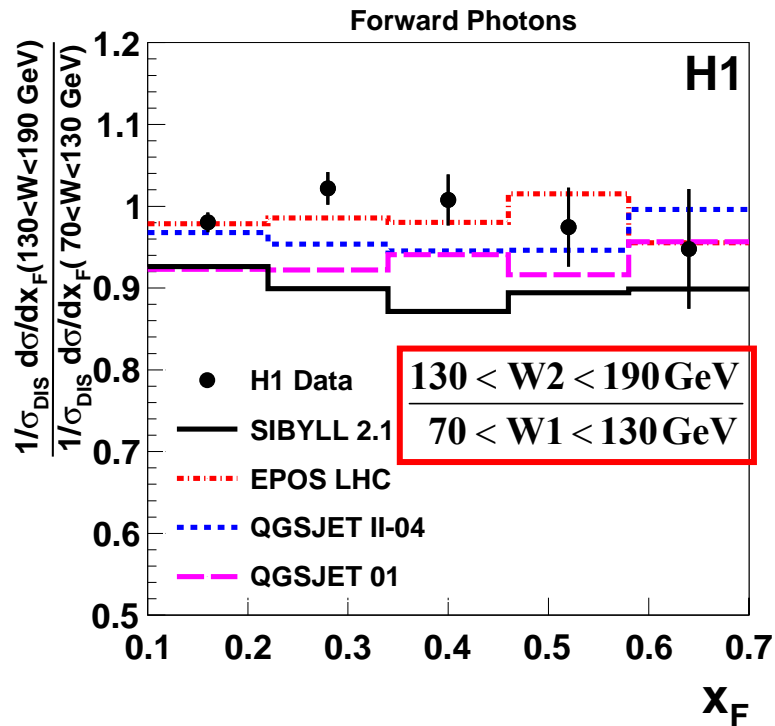
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- CR models predict higher photon rates (30÷40%), but better than standard DIS models
- x_F dependence:
 - QGSJET models are too soft
 - SIBYLL 2.1 is too hard
 - EPOS LHC gives the best description as a shape (somewhat too hard)
- Multi-parton interactions: only small effect in QGSJET 01 (no mi)

Test of Feynman Scaling: Photons vs CR models

Feynman scaling:

- expect Feynman-x distribution to stay unchanged in the high energy limit;
- compare x_F distributions in three energy intervals by making ratios



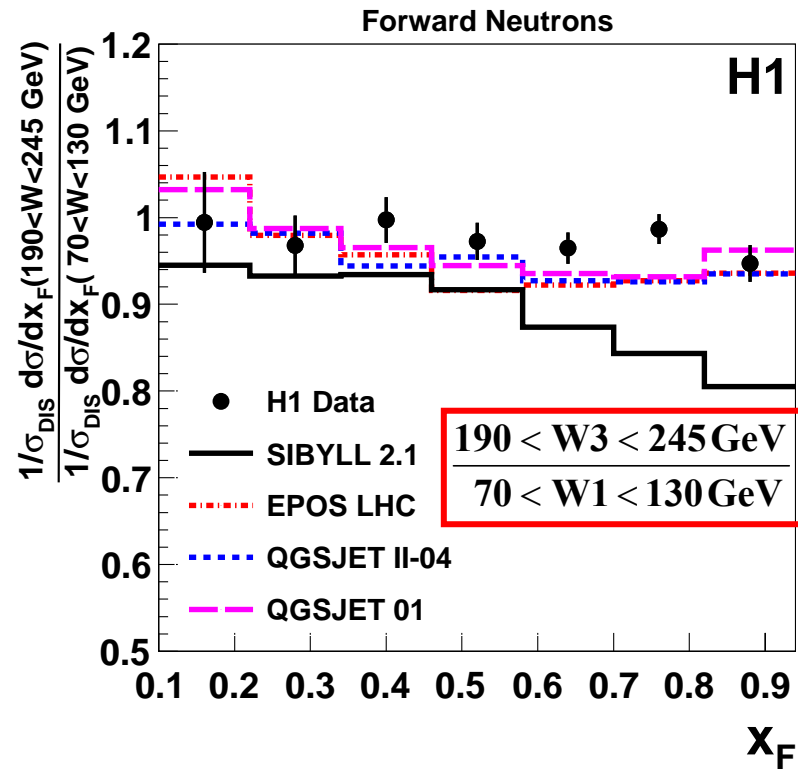
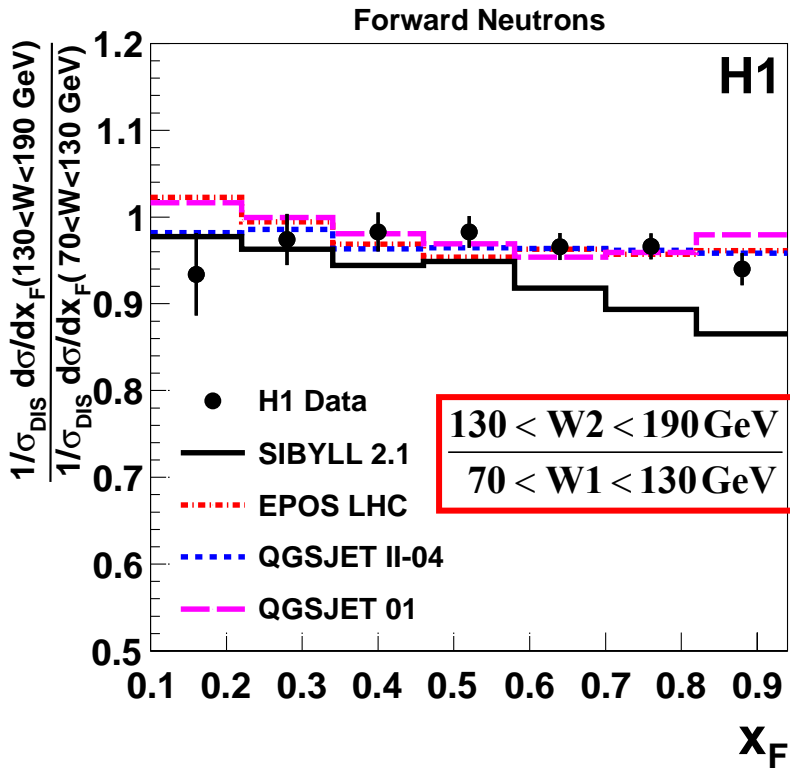
Data compatible with Feynman scaling for forward photons

CR models: Feynman scaling violated (lower rates with increasing W)

Effect strongest for SIBYLL and QGSJET

EPOS LHC closer to data

Test of Feynman Scaling: Neutrons vs CR models



Data compatible with Feynman scaling for forward neutrons

CR models: compatible with Feynman scaling except SYBILL

Summary

- ◆ precision measurements of forward protons and neutrons in ep collisions,
 $6 < Q^2 < 100 \text{ GeV}^2$, $0.05 < y < 0.6$, $|\eta| > 7.9$
- ◆ forward γ and n measurements are **consistent with the hypotheses of limiting fragmentation and Feynman scaling** in W range 70 GeV - 245 GeV
- ◆ large sensitivity to the proton fragmentation models
- ◆ ep DIS models (LEPTO, CDM) overestimate photon rate by 70%
Shapes of photon spectra described by LEPTO; CDM fails at large x_F
- ◆ fragmentation models underestimate the leading neutron yield at high x_L
neutron energy spectra well described by the combination of 'standard' fragmentation and exchange models;
- ◆ all CR models predict higher yield of photons by 30-40%
- ◆ none of CR models is able to describe photon and neutron rate simultaneously well
- ◆ EPOS LHC is closest to give a good description, but still different
- ◆ **Outlook: new information to improve understanding of proton fragmentation
new input to MC model simulation of collider and cosmic ray data**

Future Physics with HERA Data for Current and Planned Experiments

11-13 November 2014 *DESY Hamburg*
Europe/Berlin timezone

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The workshop addresses the question:

Which measurements could/should be still carried out with the unique HERA data collected by the H1, ZEUS and HERMES experiments and what is their relevance/impact on current or future experiments at the LHC, ILC, LHeC, EIC or other facilities?

Topics:

- o Proton structure and PDFs
- o Nucleon spin
- o 3D nucleon structure
- o Diffraction and low x
- o Hadronic final states
- o Jets and heavy flavours
- o Monte Carlo development and tuning

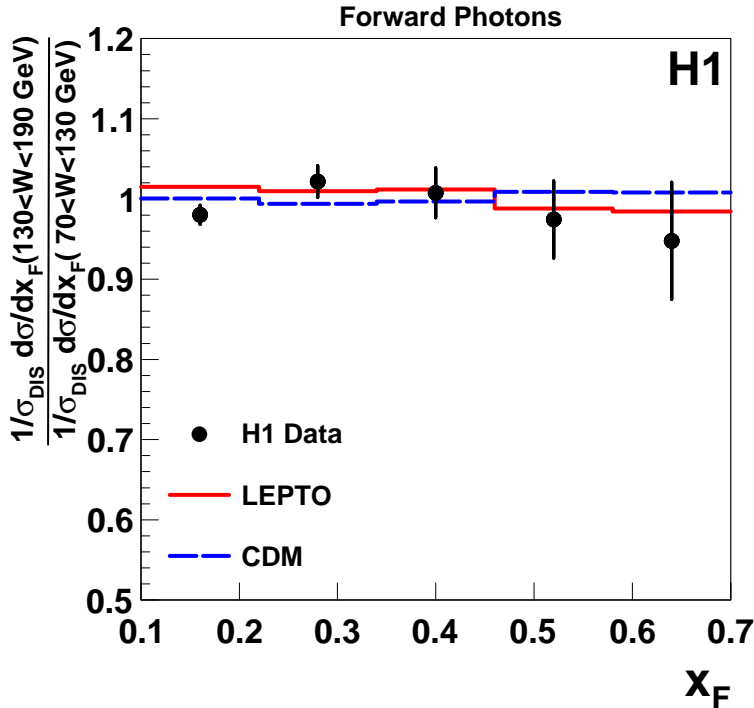
The workshop starts with a symposium on the latest HERA results and continues with topical sessions.



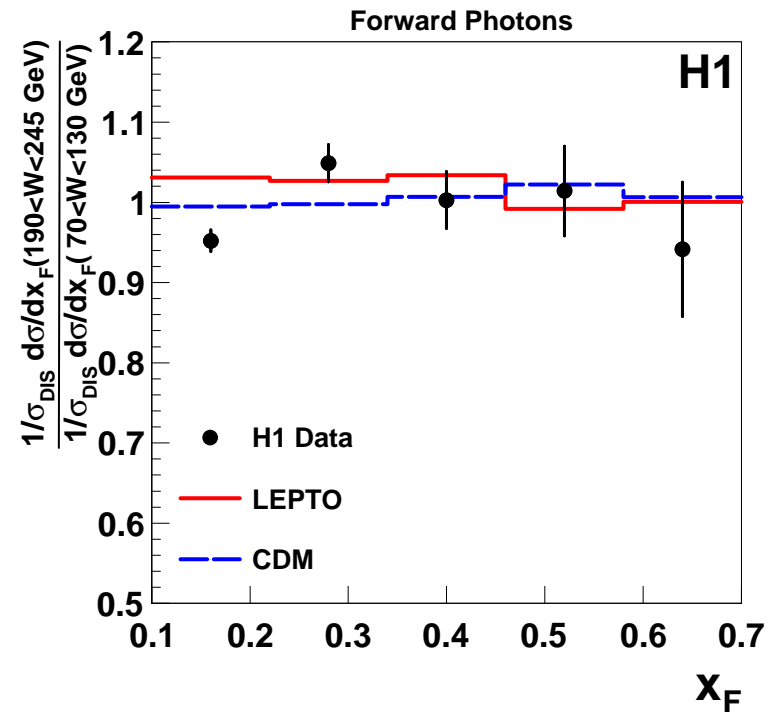
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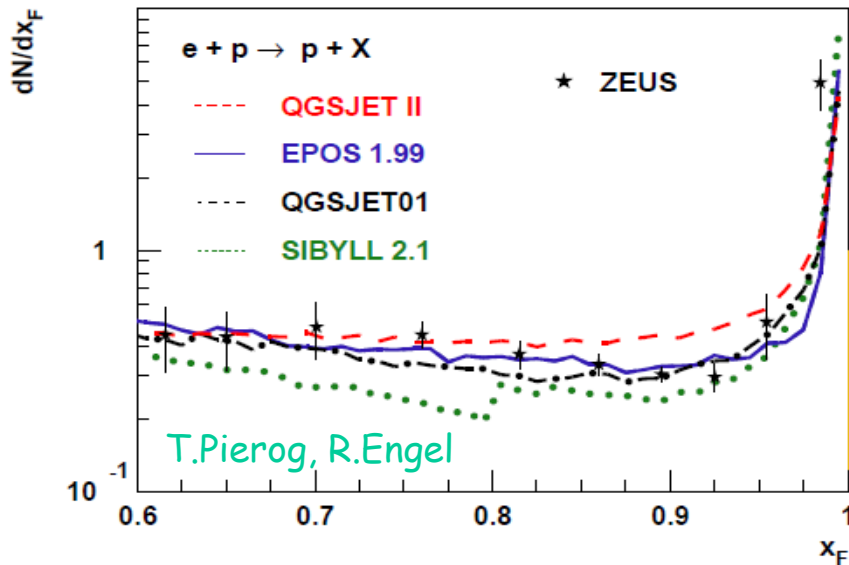
Data and fragmentation models are compatible with Feynman scaling

Motivation: High Energy Cosmic Ray Physics

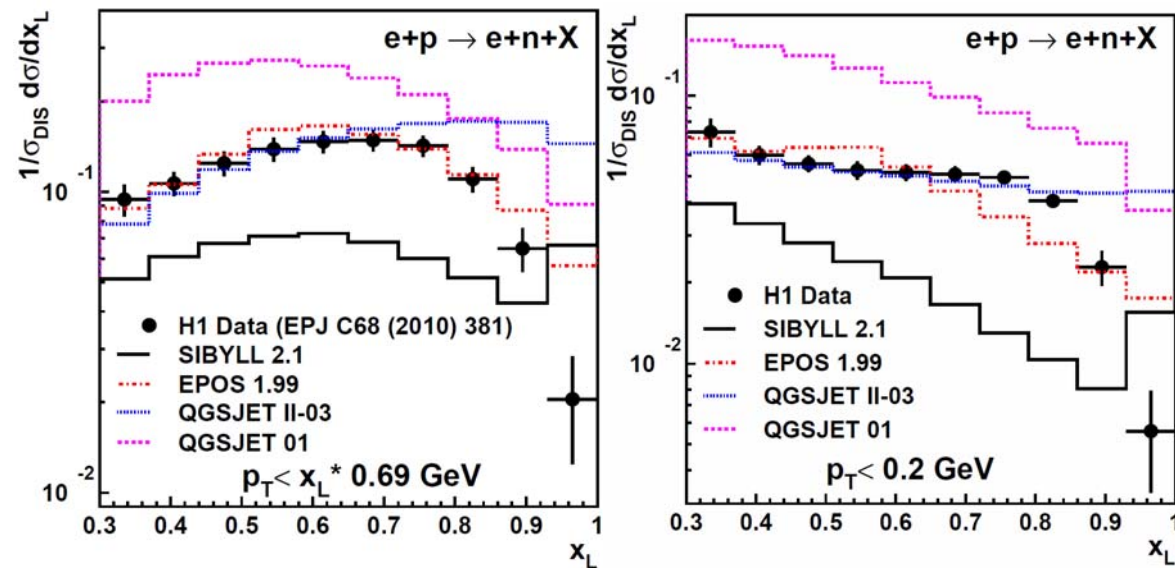
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Leading protons



Leading neutrons



Comparison HERA leading baryons vs CR models:

EPOS 1.9: (Pierog, Werner)
QGSJET 01 and II: (Kalmykov, Ostapchenko),
SIBYLL 2.1: (Engel, Fletcher, Gaisser, Lipari, Stanev)

- reasonable predictions for leading proton data
- large difference between models for leading neutrons;

Limiting fragmentation and Feynman scaling

The Year is 1969 ... Quark Model proposed, but no Gluons, no pQCD

Limiting Fragmentation

J.Benecke et al. Subm. 8/1969
Publ. 12/1969

PR 188 (1969) 2159

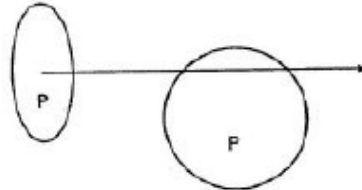


FIG. 4. Passage of Lorentz-contracted projectile through an extended target in the lab system.

Feynman Scaling

R.P.Feynman Subm. 10/1969
Publ. 12/1969

PRL 23 (1969) 1415

Both concepts based on the same fact: the Lorentz Contraction of the Projectile

Both concepts aim at Finding Regularities in Multi-Particle Production

Both Hypotheses predict that cross sections at high enough energy for given particles approach limits, with different limits for different particles.

Thus, both hypotheses predict a Scaling Behaviour:

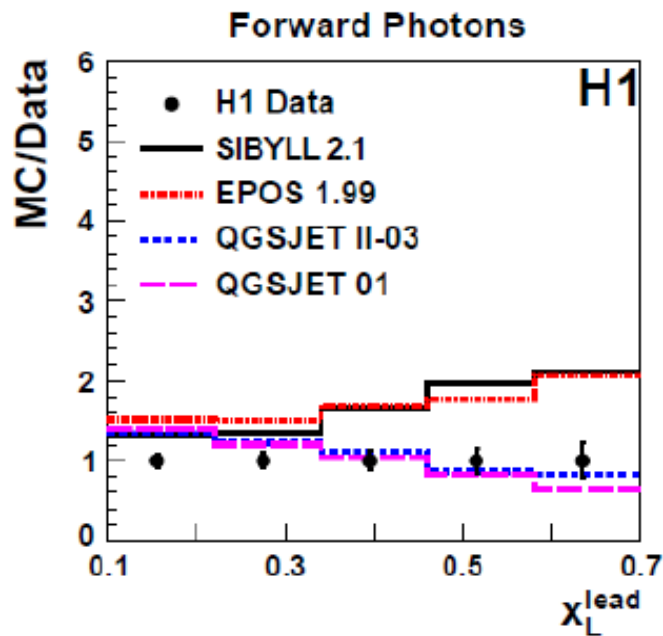
Cross sections measured at high enough energies allow predictions about cross sections at still higher energies --> CR MC Models

Are Limiting Fragmentation and Feynman Scaling the same thing ?

Yes, in the Fragmentation Region they are identical.

But, Feynman Scaling was proposed to be valid also in the Central Region, at small values of Longitudinal Momenta.

Forward photon production: compare H1 vs LHCf



Different behaviour of MC models for H1 and LHCf data

