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Elastic and proton dissociative J/ ψ meson photoproduction at HERA

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Cross sections for elastic and proton dissociative photoproduction of J/ ψ mesons are measured simultaneously in electron proton collisions at HERA using the H1 detector. Two data sets are analysed, one collected at the nominal ep centre-of-mass energy of $\sqrt{s} \approx 320$ GeV and having an integrated luminosity of 130 pb^{-1} and one recorded with a reduced proton beam energy resulting in $\sqrt{s} \approx 225$ GeV and corresponding to an integrated luminosity of $L = 10.8 \text{ pb}^{-1}$. Differential cross sections d/dt , where t is the squared four momentum transfer at the proton vertex, are measured in the range $|t| < 1.2 \text{ GeV}^2$ for the elastic process and $|t| < 8 \text{ GeV}^2$ for proton dissociation. The cross sections are measured as functions of the photon-proton center-of-mass energy $W_{\gamma p}$ in the ranges 40 – 110 GeV and 25–80 GeV. The results are compared to previous measurements, and the energy and t -dependences are determined using fits to the data.

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