#### Two photon results from LEP Mariusz Przybycień

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<u>LEP:</u> e<sup>+</sup> e<sup>-</sup> collisions at cms energies: 1989 - 1995: √s = 91 GeV (LEP1)

1996 - 2000:  $\int s = 161 - 209 \text{ GeV}$  (LEP2)

Experiments: ALEPH, DELPHI, L3, OPAL

Study of two photon interactions through  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma^{(*)}\gamma^{(*)}$ 

- Untagged ev. total cross section, jets production, heavy quarks, exclusive particle production
- Single-tagged ev. QED and hadronic structure functions of the quasi-real photon
- Double-tagged ev. dynamics of highly virtual photon collisions

 $\rightarrow e^+e^-X$ 

 $e(p'_1)$ 

 $e(p_2)$ 

 $e(p_1)$ 

 $e(p_2)$ 

 $\gamma^{(\star)}(\mathrm{q}_1)$ 

 $\gamma^{(\star)}(\mathrm{q}_2)$ 

The following LO diagrams contribute to the proces  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow$  hadrons:



Kinematical variables for the process  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow$  hadrons:



- photon-photon scattering has the largest hadronic cross section at LEP2 energies
- in the framework of Regge theory  $\sigma_{_{YY}}$  is related to  $\sigma_{_{YD}}$  and  $s_{_{hh}}$  and a slow rise with  $W_{\gamma\gamma}$  is predicted

#### Measurement (L3, OPAL):

- first measure the differential cross section  $d\sigma_{ee}/dW$  for the process:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$  + hadrons
  - increasing with the beam energy
  - decreasing with  $W_{\gamma\gamma}$  (efect of the  $L_{\gamma\gamma}$ )
- extract  $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$  using the luminosity function  $L_{\gamma\gamma}$  and form factors F(Q<sup>2</sup>) which describe the Q<sup>2</sup> dependence of the hadronic cross section

$$\frac{\mathbf{d}\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{ee}}{\mathbf{d}\mathbf{W}} = \mathbf{L}_{\boldsymbol{\gamma}} \otimes \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}$$





OPAL:  $\int s = 161 - 183 \text{ GeV}^2$ 10 < W < 110 GeV

3: 
$$\int s = 161 - 202 \text{ GeV}^2$$
  
5 < W < 185 GeV

- Good agreement with previous measurements in the overlaping region
- Rise with W for W > 10 GeV<sup>2</sup> which is characteristic for hadronic cross sections
- L3 data show steeper rise then expected for hadron-hadron or photon-proton cross sections.

<u>OPAL fit:</u> Regge parametrization with soft and hard pomeron:

$$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}(\mathbf{W}^2) = \mathbf{X}_{1\gamma\gamma}(\mathbf{W}^2)^{\varepsilon_1} + \mathbf{X}_{2\gamma\gamma}(\mathbf{W}^2)^{\varepsilon_2} + \mathbf{Y}_{1\gamma\gamma}(\mathbf{W}^2)^{-\eta_1}$$

fix reggeon term:  $\eta_1 = 0.34$  oraz  $Y_{1\gamma\gamma} = 320$  nb 800results of the fit:  $X_{2\gamma\gamma} = 0.5 \pm 0.2(\text{stat})^{+1.5}_{-1.0}(\text{sys})$  nb L3 fit OPAL fit what is consistent with zero (no hard pomeron) م<sub>۲</sub> [nb] results of the fit:  $\epsilon_1 = 0.101 \pm 0.004 (\text{stat})^{+0.025}_{-0.019} (\text{sys})$ 400- $X_{1\gamma\gamma} = 180 \pm 5(\text{stat})^{+30}_{-32}(\text{sys}) \text{ nb}$ L3 fit: 200 Regge parametrization with soft pomeron L3 ★ OPAL fix reggeon term:  $\eta_1 = 0.358$ results of the fit:  $\varepsilon_1 = 0.225 \pm 0.021$ 0 50 150 100  $X_{1\gamma\gamma} = 58 \pm 10$  nb  $Y_{1\gamma\gamma} = 1020 \pm 146$  nb W <sub>w</sub> [GeV]

### Inclusive jet cross section

NLO cross section calculated using QCD partonic cross sections in NLO for direct, single- and double-resolved processess convoluted with photon flux + hadronization corrections.

OPAL data well described by both Pythia and NLO.

Discrepancy in shape between L3 and NLO.

Disagreement between L3 and OPAL.



### Di-jet cross production

Experimentaly, direct and double-resolved interactions can be clearly



### Production of charged hadrons

Sensitivity to the structure of  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  interactions without theoretical and experimental problems related to definition and reconstruction of jets.



#### Production of charged hadrons



Differential cross sections measured by OPAL fall more rapidly towards high transverse momenta than those measured by L3, leading to a disagreement between the two experiments and to a better description of the OPAL data by NLO QCD.

For the puprose of this comparison OPAL data have been scaled to reduced |c| range and to the fraction of pions in all charged hadrons.

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### Isolated prompt photons

In LO only single and double resolved diagrams contribute to production of prompt photons  $\gamma+\gamma \rightarrow \gamma$ +hadrons:



Total cross section in the kinematic range defined by anti-tagging condition, measured by OPAL at  $\sqrt{s_{ee}}$ =183-209 GeV:

$$\sigma_{tot} = 0.32 \pm 0.04(stat) \pm 0.04(sys)$$



Cross sections measured in the kinematic range  $|\eta^{\gamma}| < 1$  and  $p^{\gamma}_{T} > 3$  GeV

- Pythia reproduces the shape of the distributions well, but underestimate the normalisation.
- NLO calculations describe well shape and normalisation.

### Kinematics of $e-\gamma$ and e-e DIS





$$s = (k+l)^2$$
  $W^2 = (p+q)^2$ 

$$Q^{2} \equiv -q^{2} = -(k - k')^{2} > 0$$
  
 $P^{2} \equiv -p^{2} = -(l - l')^{2} \approx 0$ 



W<sup>2</sup>:  $\gamma^* - \gamma$  cms energy squared Q<sup>2</sup>: virtuality of the probe photon P<sup>2</sup>: virtuality of the target photon

s: e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> cms energy squared

y<sub>e</sub>: inelasticity, fraction of the elec. mom carried by the virtual photon x: fraction of the target photon mom carried by the struck parton z: fraction of the target electron mom carried by the struck parton



Reconstruction of the kinematical variables is based on the measurement of the scattered electron and the hadronic final state:

$$Q^{2} = 2E'E_{b}(1 - \cos\theta) \qquad W^{2} = \left(\sum_{h} E_{h}\right)^{2} - \left(\sum_{h} \vec{p}_{h}\right)^{2}$$
$$y_{e} = 1 - \frac{E}{E_{b}}\cos^{2}(\theta/2) \qquad x = \frac{Q^{2}}{Q^{2} + W^{2} + P^{2}} \qquad z = \frac{Q^{2}}{y_{e}s}$$

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#### Cross section for $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma^{\Sigma}\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-X$

The cross section in terms of the photon structure functions  $F_{2}^{\gamma}$  and  $F_{L}^{\gamma}$ :

$$\frac{d^{4}\sigma_{ee}}{dxdQ^{2}dzdP^{2}} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^{2}}{x^{2}Q^{4}} \Big[ \Big(1 + (1 - y_{e})^{2}\Big) F_{2}^{\gamma}(x,Q^{2},P^{2}) - y_{e}^{2}F_{L}^{\gamma}(x,Q^{2},P^{2}) \Big] \hat{f}_{\gamma/e}(z/x,P^{2})$$

where the flux of (transverse) quasi-real photons given by EPA reads:

$$\hat{f}_{\gamma/e}(y,P^{2}) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{1}{P^{2}} \left[ \frac{1 + (1-y)^{2}}{y} - 2y \frac{m_{e}^{2}}{P^{2}} \right]$$

$$P_{\min}^{2}(y) = \frac{m_{e}^{2}y^{2}}{1-y}$$
$$P_{\max}^{2}(y) = (1-y)E^{2}\theta_{\max}^{2}$$

Integrating over z and P<sup>2</sup> we obtain:

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{ee}}{dx dQ^2} \approx \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} F_2^{\gamma} (x, Q^2, P_{eff}^2) \mathbf{K} \left(\frac{Q^2}{xs}, \frac{P_{max}^2}{m_e^2}\right)$$

$$\left\langle F_{2}^{\gamma}(P^{2})\right\rangle = F_{2}^{\gamma}\left(P_{eff}^{2}\right)$$

Usually the formula for the cross section for the process  $e\gamma \rightarrow eX$  is used for extraction of the  $F_2^{\gamma}$  based on MC and known input pdf:

$$\frac{d^{2}\sigma_{e\gamma}}{dxdQ^{2}} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^{2}}{xQ^{4}} \left[ \left( 1 + \left( 1 - y_{e} \right)^{2} \right) F_{2}^{\gamma} \left( x, Q^{2}, P_{eff}^{2} \right) \right]$$
 usualy we assume  $P_{eff}^{2} = 0$ 





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### World data on $F_2^{\gamma}$ vs. $Q^2$





## Measurement of F<sub>2</sub><sup>charm</sup>





# World data on $F_{2,QED}^{\gamma}$ vs. $Q^2$





constant (const fit:  $F_{B}^{\gamma}/\alpha = 0.032$  (0.034) OPAL (L3) with  $\chi^{2}/ndf = 8.9$  (3.1) )

### Precision of QED measurements



#### Interactions of virtual photons

The general form of the differential cross section for the process  $e(p_1)e(p_2) \rightarrow e(p_1')e(p_2')X$  which proceeds via the exchange of two photons  $\gamma(q_1)$ ,  $\gamma(q_2)$  in the limit  $Q_i^2 \gg m_e^2$ , is given by:



$$d^{6}\sigma = \frac{d^{3}p_{1}'d^{3}p_{2}'}{E_{1}'E_{2}'} \frac{\alpha^{2}}{16\pi^{4}q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} \left[ \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}}{(p_{1} \cdot p_{2})^{2} - m_{e}^{2}m_{e}^{2}} \right]^{1/2} 4\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(p_{1} \cdot p_{2})^{2} - m_{e}^{2}m_{e}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(p_{1} \cdot p_{2})^{2} - m_{e}^{2}m_{e}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(p_{1} \cdot p_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}q_{2}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++}\rho_{2}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2} - q_{1}^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}} d\rho_{1}^{++} \cdot \frac{(q_{1} \cdot q_{2})^{2}}{(q_{1} \cdot q_{$$

Introducing the luminosity function, we define the cross section for the scattering of two virtual photons  $\gamma^{\Sigma}\gamma^{\Sigma} \rightarrow X$ :

$$\mathbf{Y} d^{6} \sigma = \frac{d^{3} p_{1}' d^{3} p_{2}'}{E_{1}' E_{2}'} \mathbf{L}_{\mathrm{TT}} \sigma_{\gamma^{*} \gamma^{*}}$$
  
$$\sigma_{\gamma^{*} \gamma^{*}} = \sigma_{\mathrm{TT}} + \sigma_{\mathrm{LT}} + \sigma_{\mathrm{TL}} + \sigma_{\mathrm{LL}} + \frac{1}{2} \tau_{\mathrm{TT}} \cos 2\overline{\phi} - 4\tau_{\mathrm{TL}} \cos \overline{\phi}$$
  
$$L_{\mathrm{TT}} = \frac{d^{3} p_{1}' d^{3} p_{2}'}{E_{1}' E_{2}'} \mathbf{L}_{\mathrm{TT}}$$

#### QED structure of the virtual photon



### Structure function of virtual photon



PLUTO data suggest, as expected slow decrease with increasing P<sup>2</sup>

#### Structure of virtual photon interactions



Cross sections for the processes  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-hadrons$  and  $\gamma^{\Sigma}\gamma^{\Sigma} \rightarrow hadrons$ , in the phase space region  $E_i$ >0.4 $E_b$ , 34< $\theta_i$ <55 mrad, W>5 GeV;  $\langle Q^2 \rangle$ =17.9 GeV<sup>2</sup>

#### Scattering of virtual photons



#### Dynamics of interactions of virtual photons

![](_page_26_Figure_1.jpeg)

### **Electron structure function**

![](_page_27_Figure_1.jpeg)

 $\frac{7}{1}$  Cross section in terms of electron structure functions:

$$\frac{d^{2}\sigma_{ee}}{dzdQ^{2}dzdP^{2}} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^{2}}{zQ^{4}} \Big[ \Big( 1 + (1 - y_{e})^{2} \Big) F_{2}^{e}(z,Q^{2}) - y_{e}^{2}F_{L}^{e}(z,Q^{2}) \Big]$$

Photon and electron structure functions are related:

$$F_{a}^{e}(z, Q^{2}; P_{\max}^{2}) \equiv \int_{z}^{1} dx \int_{P_{\min}^{2}(z/x)}^{P_{\max}^{2}} dP^{2} \frac{z}{x^{2}} F_{a}^{\gamma}(x, Q^{2}, P^{2}) \hat{f}_{\gamma^{*}/e}(z/x, P^{2})$$

![](_page_27_Figure_6.jpeg)

#### Summary

LEP2 - the best place to study two photon interactions:

~100 published papers from all four experiments (mainly from LEP2)

Untagged measurements:

- total cross section
- jet and di-jet production
- production of resonances, charged hadrons, prompt photons, charm and beauty

Single tagged measurements:

QED and hadronic structure functions of the quasi-real photon

Double tagged measurements:

- QED and hadronic structure of interactions of virtual photons
- total and differential cross sections and effective structure function of the virtual photon

More about tagged measurements in http://home.agh.edu.pl/mariuszp