Central Exclusive Single and Double Charmonium Production at LHCb



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<u>Central Exclusive Production:</u> <u>Colourless propagators</u>



Related phenomena where the colourless object creates a particle

The LHCb detector



Fully instrumented from $2 < \eta < 5$ Trigger on muons > 400 MeV, and on J/ ψ > 0 MeV. Average pp collisions per beam crossing of ~1.5

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Photoproduction



- Test of QCD over wide $W_{\gamma p}$ range
- Determination of gluon PDF
- Sensitivity to saturation / odderon



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HERA vector meson photo-production results





Scatters in central region involve similar x partons.

Scatters in forward region are between one high-*x* and one low-*x* parton.

One region overlaps strongly with HERA.

One region is either unexplored or requires large DGLAP evolution from HERA.

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 J/ψ , χ_c in central region probe similar kinematics as HERA

Forward: x~10⁻⁵ / x~10⁻²

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Sensitivity to gluon pdf



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Graphical Representation



VELO sub-detector



Use of backwards tracks



Use of backwards tracks





Invariant mass of exclusive muon pairs $(2 < \eta_{\mu} < 4.5)$



Inelastic background



How to reject what you can't see?

...Regge theory suggests exponential dependence

 $d\sigma$ $\sim e^{bt}$ dt



Inelastic background $\psi(2S)$





Good agreement with all theory estimates

Differential cross-sections J/ψ and ψ(2S)



NLO agrees better than LO

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HERA measured power-law: $\sigma_{\gamma p \to J/\psi p}(W) = 81(W/90 \,\text{GeV})^{0.67} \,\text{nb}$ Use this for one cross-section on RHS – LHCb measure the other solution Photo-production cross-section





p-Pb interactions



Photon flux proportional to Z². Removes two-fold ambiguity



Photon flux proportional to Z^2 . Removes two-fold ambiguity

Invariant mass of selected candidates



Transverse momentum of candidates





Consistent picture of J/ψ photo-production across wide range of energies and colliders

Sensitivity to saturation effects



Sensitivity to saturation effects: $J/\psi \psi(2S)$



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Odderon identification requires good modelling of inelastic background

Future: Investigate other vector mesons



Dimuon Mass Spectrum



Factor ~ *100 data now available with 2011+2012 (~3fb⁻¹)



Diphoton fusion



- Precise QED
 prediction: 1% (?)
- Luminosity determination
- Triple gauge couplings (γγ->WW)

Invariant mass of exclusive muon pairs



Exclusive dimuon (LHCb)



LPAIR simulation predicts shape for exclusive / single dissociation / double dissociation .

Background shape from data Signal shape from simulation.

Measured cross-section pµµp: 67 +- 19 pb

LPAIR (J. Vermaseren) 42 pb

J/ψJ/ψ production

Large literature for $\gamma\gamma$ ->J/ ψ J/ ψ

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Requires large photon flux:

Heavy ion collisions or Linear colliders



Double pomeron exchange



- Pure QCD process
- J^{PC}=(even)⁺⁺
- Glueballs
- Higgs
- J/ψJ/ψ (but no predictions one year ago)

Candidate for χ_c decay to $J/\psi + \gamma$



Selected $\chi_{c0,1,2}$ candidates





Theory v experiment

 $\sigma_{\chi_{c0->\mu+\mu-\gamma}} = 9.3 +/- 2.2 +/- 3.5 +/- 1.8 \text{ pb}$ $\sigma_{\chi_{c1->\mu+\mu-\gamma}} = 16.4 +/- 5.3 +/- 5.8 +/- 3.2 \text{ pb}$ $\sigma_{\chi_{c2->\mu+\mu-\gamma}} = 28.0 +/- 5.4 +/- 9.7 +/- 5.4 \text{ pb}$

LHCb preliminary results with 2010 data

χ ₀ : 9.3 +- 4.5 pb	χ ₁ : 16.4 +- 7.1 pb	χ ₂ : 28.0 +-12.3 pb	
SuperChic: 14 pb	10 pb	3 pb	

Large contribution due to X_{c0} as expected.

 χ_{c2} larger than expected but note that non-elastic background has been assumed same for each resonance. More precise data required.

Work ongoing to reconstruct in $\pi\pi$, KK channels

Double J/ψ production



Final state theoretically studied in diphoton production (linear collider) but not through double pomeron exchange (hadron collider)

Sensitivity to higher mass states (tetraquarks, η_b) Inclusive production has attracted much interest (DPS effects)



Select 4-muon exclusive events



Selection requirement:

Require precisely 4 tracks, at least three identified as muons



Background from inclusive production of $J/\psi J/\psi$ small

Search for extra photons due to $\chi_c -> J/\psi\gamma$

One candidate for $\chi_{c0},$ which is also consistent with $\psi(2s)$ No candidates for $\chi_{c1}\,\chi_{c2}$

<u>Cross-section</u> <u>results</u>

$$\begin{array}{ll} \sigma^{J/\psi\,J/\psi} &= 58 \pm 10({\rm stat}) \pm 6({\rm syst})\,{\rm pb}, \\ \sigma^{J/\psi\,\psi(2S)} &= 63^{+27}_{-18}({\rm stat}) \pm 10({\rm syst})\,{\rm pb}, \\ \sigma^{\psi(2S)\psi(2S)} &< 237\,{\rm pb}, \\ \sigma^{\chi_{c0}\chi_{c0}} &< 69\,{\rm nb}, \\ \sigma^{\chi_{c1}\chi_{c1}} &< 45\,{\rm pb}, \\ \sigma^{\chi_{c2}\chi_{c2}} &< 141\,{\rm pb}, \end{array}$$



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How much is exclusive?



42+-13% but model dependence in describing inelastic contribution

Comparison to theory

LHCb estimate exclusive cross-section. **24+-9 pb**

Harland-Lang, Khoze, Ryskin: (arXiv: 1409.4785) **2-7 pb**



Conclusions



Consistent picture of J/ψ photoproduction at different energies and different colliders

'Surprising' observation of $J/\psi J/\psi$: consistent with DPE mechanism

What other surprises/insights might central exclusive production hold?

High rapidity shower counters for LHCb

- Increase rapidity gap with scintillators in forward region
- Use existing electronics



Left 1. $z \sim -7.5$ m (after MBXW) 2. $z \sim -19$ m (before MBXWS) 3. $z \sim -114$ m (after BRANS)



First simulations suggest veto region for charged and neutral particles can be extended to include $5 < |\eta| < 8$ - an extra 6 units in pseudorapidity.

Herschel Integration inside Tunnel









p_T^2 spectrum

