Experimental results on diffraction at the Tevatron

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Introduction

Diffractive production (dijets, W/Z, Forward jets)
Exclusive production (dijets, γγ, ee)
Conclusions







Hadronic interactions



Goal: understand the nature of the colorless exchange

Introduction

• In diffraction no quantum numbers are exchanged



CDF central and forward detectors



Single diffraction

- Examine partonic structure of diffractive exchange using high- p_T probes (hard diffraction)
- Confirm and extend the kinematical reach of Run I results
 - -Diffractive dijet production in ranges of Q²
 - -Diffractive structure functions

Diffractive dijets

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in the ratio SD/ND many systematic uncertainties cancel out

Diffractive structure function



Restoring factorization



The diffractive structure function measured using DPE events is approximately the same as the one expected from HERA

Diffractive dijets in Run II

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Multiple interactions in Run II

• Multiple proton-antiproton interactions spoil diffractive signature



- Measure $\boldsymbol{\xi}$ from calorimeter and from RP tracking
- Reject multiple interactions
 - exclude ξ>0.1 (ND+SD interactions)

Multiple interactions in Run II



Q² dependence



RPS dynamic alignment

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Background evaluation

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- Lower edge at |t|=6.5 GeV² (not shown)
- Background level: region of $Y_{track} > Y_0$ data for $|t| > 2.3 \text{ GeV}^2$

|t| distribution

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- No diffraction `dips' observed at |t|<1
- Soft and hard diffractive events have the same slope

|t| distribution (cont.)

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- Extend analysis up to |t|=4 GeV²
- 0.05< ξ^{RPS} < 0.08 \Rightarrow M_{χ} ~500 GeV



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Diffractive W/Z production

Study W/Z boson production helps to determine the **quark** content of the Pomeron



At LO, the W/Z is produced by a **quark** in the Pomeron Production by a gluon is suppressed by α_s . Can look at additional jet.

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or

Diffractive W/Z production (cont.)

Identify diffractive events using RPS

- rapidity gaps used in Runl

- Calculate ξ from calorimeter
- In W production, difference $\xi^{cal}-\xi^{RPS}$ is due to missing E_T , and η_v .

$$\boldsymbol{\xi}^{RP} - \boldsymbol{\xi}^{cal} = \frac{\boldsymbol{E}_T}{\sqrt{\boldsymbol{s}}} \boldsymbol{e}^{-\boldsymbol{\eta}_{\boldsymbol{v}}}$$

allows estimate neutrino and W kinematics, x_{Bi}



Diffractive W/Z production (cont.)



- Requiring $\xi^{cal} < \xi^{RPS}$ removes most events with multiple interactions
- $50 < M_W < 120$ GeV cleans up possible misreconstructed events

Diffractive W/Z measurement PRD 82 (2010) 112004

• Measured fractions:

$$R_W = [1.00 \pm 0.05(\text{stat}) \pm 0.10(\text{syst})]\%,$$
$$R_Z = [0.88 \pm 0.21(\text{stat}) \pm 0.08(\text{syst})]\%,$$

- Run I diffractive W studies performed with rapidity gap instead of RPS
- CDF: PRL 78,2698(1997)
 - Fraction of events due to SD for x<0.1: [1.15±0.51(stat)±0.20(syst)]%</p>
 - Combined with other SD measurements (b-quark,jet), quark-gluon content of the Pomeron is determined: f=0.54^{+0.16} -0.14
- D0: PLB 574 (2003)169
 - Fraction of events with rapidity gap:
 - W: **[0.89**^{+0.19}_{-0.17}]%
 - Z: **[1.44** ^{+0.61}_{-0.52}]%
 - [If correction for rapidity gap acceptance is applied...R(W): 5.1%]

Diffractive rates



- All SD/ND fractions ~ 1% ⇒ uniform suppression
- Different sensitivities to quark/gluon \Rightarrow gluon fraction f_q =0.54 (0.15)

Central gap between forward jets



Rapidity gap in Central and Plug calorimeter

- Characterize gap formation
 - fraction of gap events (soft and hard interactions)
 - dependence on gap size
- Mueller-Navelet jets



Jet $\Delta \phi$ correlation



Rapidity gap event fraction



- Event fraction is ~10% in soft events, and ~1% in jet events
- Shapes are similar

Exclusive production



✓ clean process
 ✓ exclusive bb suppressed (J_z=0 selection rule)

Khoze Martin Ryskin: $\sigma_{\rm H}$ (LHC)~3 fb, signal/bkg~3 (if $\Delta M_{\rm miss}$ =1 GeV)

Attractive Higgs production channel at the LHC



⇒much larger cross section

<u>Goal:</u>

measure exclusive dijet production
 test/calibrate Higgs predictions at LHC

Exclusive dijets in Run I

PRL 85 (2000) 4215



Observation of exclusive dijets

PRD 77 (2008) 052004



6 94 Ge $E_{T}^{1} = 33 \text{ GeV}$ $R_{ii} = 0.96$ $E_T^2 = 31 \text{ GeV}$

Exclusive dijet cross section PRD 77 (2008) 052004



Exclusive dijets w/heavy flavor

Theory: $J_Z=0$ spin selection rule $gg \rightarrow gg$ dominant contribution at LO $gg \rightarrow q\overline{q}$ suppressed when $M_{ii} >> m_q$

Experimental method: normalize R_{jj} for qq to R_{jj} for all jets ⇒look for event suppression at large R_{jj}

Pros: -many systematics cancel out -good HF quarks id -small g mistag O(1%)

<u>Cons:</u> -heavy quark mass: contribution from exclusive b/c



b-tagged jet fraction



Exclusive $\gamma\gamma$ production



QCD diagram same as pHpsmaller cross section than exclusive dijets

~40 events/fb⁻¹ with $p_T(\gamma)$ >5 GeV/c, $|\eta|$ <1.0

the effective luminosity must be considered since additional interactions "populate" gaps



Khoze, Kaidalov, Martin, Ryskin, Stirling, hep-ph/0507040

Exclusive ee/yy search





QED process: cross-check to exclusive $\gamma\gamma$

✓ do not detect (anti)proton
 ✓ require 2 EM showers (E_T>5 GeV, |η|<2)
 ✓ veto all calorimetry and BSCs except 2 EM showers
 ✓ L~530 pb⁻¹ delivered (L_{effective}=46 pb⁻¹)

⇒19 events have 2 EM showers +"nothing" caveat: "nothing" above threshold

Exclusive ee search

PRL 98 (2007) 112001



control sample for $\gamma\gamma$ search

⇒16 candidate events found background: 1.9±0.3 events

 $\sigma_{\text{MEASURED}} = 1.6 + 0.5 - 0.3 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.3 \text{ (sys) pb}$

good agreement with LPAIR: $\sigma_{LPA/R} = 1.711 \pm 0.008 \ pb$



Exclusive yy search

PRL 99 (2007) 242002



Exclusive yy search



- Observed 43 events:
 - $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma_{\text{excl}}} = 2.48^{+0.40}_{-0.35}(\text{stat})^{+0.40}_{-0.51}(\text{syst}) \text{ pb}$
- Good agreement with theoretical predictions



Exclusive dimuons



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- trigger: muon+track+forward rapidity gap (BSCs)
- two oppositely charged muon tracks with p_T>1.4 GeV
- L=1.48/fb, with L_{eff} ~140/pb



Exclusive J/ ψ and $\psi(2S)$

J/ψ production 243±21 events

do/dy=3.92±0.62 nb

Theoretical predictions

- 2.8 nb [Szczurek07]
- 2.7 nb [Klein&Nystrand04]
- 3.4 nb [Motkya&Watt08]

Y(2S) production 34±7 events

dơ/dy=0.54±0.15 nb

 $R=y(2S)/J/y = 0.14\pm0.05$

In agreement with HERA:

R=0.166±0.012 in similar kinematic region



Exclusive $\chi_{c} \rightarrow J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu^{+}\mu^{-}) + \gamma_{PRL 102 (2009) 242001}$



compatible with theoretical predictions

- 160 nb [Yuan01]
- 90 nb [KMR01]

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- Allowing EM towers (E_T >80 MeV)
- Large increase in the J/ψ peak
- Minor change in the $\psi(2S)$ peak

⇒Evidence for χ_{c} →J/ ψ (→ $\mu^{+}\mu^{-}$)+ γ

Exclusive Z production

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PRL 102 (2009) 222002, PRD 82 (2010) 112004

- Search for exclusive Z production with "nothing else" in the detector
- PRL 102, 222002 (2009)



- System mass M_X vs M_{II}
- Exclusive candidates are expected to fall on the diagonal
- Depends on thresholds
- Cross-check with W/Z production



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Summary

- Extensive program of diffractive studies at Tevatron
- CDF diffractive program continuing the improvement of understanding of diffractive processes
 - measured DSF at different Q² values
 - measured t-distribution in diffractive events
 - dijets, W/Z, forward jets, exclusive jets, etc.
- Comparison of diffractive and non-diffractive processes
- Measurements of exclusive production important to calibrate predictions for exclusive Higgs production at LHC
- General tools which can be used at LHC:
 - Roman Pot dynamic alignment



Central Exclusive Production PRD 91 (2015) 091101

CEP studies with energy scan data at 0.9 and 1.96 TeV



- Data extend up to dipion mass M=5 GeV and show resonance structures attributed to $f_0(1370)$ and $f_2(1270)$ mesons
- From the $\pi^+\pi^-$ and K⁺K⁻ spectra, set upper limits on exclusive χ_c production

Exclusive dijet cross section PRD 77 (2008) 052004



- R_{jj} shape described by MC based on two models (ExHuME, DPEMC)
- Cross section agrees with ExHuME
- Data favor KMR model (uncertainty ~factor of 3)



Roman Pot Spectrometer



Beam Shower Counters



Miniplug Calorimeters

NIMA 518 (2004) 42, NIMA 496(2003)333, NPPS125(2003)128



Exclusive cross section



Stat. and syst. errors are propagated from measured cross section uncertainties using Mjj distribution shapes of ExHuME generated data