# Measurement of Diffractive Charm in DIS at HERA

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## Diffractive DIS D\* Production

$$ep \rightarrow epX$$

- Diffraction characterized by larger rapidity gap or intact proton
- QCD description as an exchange of a colourless partonic state (pomeron) based on
  - colinear factorisation
  - proton vertex factorisation
- Diffractive PDFs obtained from fit to inclusive diffractive data with DGLAP evolution equations
- D\* produced via photon—gluon fusion
  - probe gluon content of pomeron and test factorisation ansatz



### **NLO QCD Calculation**

- HVQDIS program to produce inclusive inclusive charm adapted to produce diffractive events
- Use collinear factorisation model with diffractive PDFs taken from H1
   2006 FIT B
- Charm fragmentation assuming  $f(c \rightarrow D^*) = 0.235 \pm 0.007$  and the Kartvelishvili parameterisation
- Factorisation and normalisation scales set to  $\mu_f = \mu_r = \sqrt{(Q^2 + 4m_c^2)}$ with  $m_c = 1.5$  GeV
- Uncertainties:
  - Factorisation and normalisation scales varied from 0.5 to 2
  - $m_c$  varied between 1.3 and 1.7 GeV
  - Uncertainties on Kartvelishvili parameters
  - DPDF uncertainties
- Contributions from b hadron decays (3% in non-diffractive) not subtracted from measurements

### H1 Detector



### Reconstruction of D\*s

- Use the 'golden' decay  $D^{*\pm} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^{\pm} \rightarrow (K^{\mp} \pi^{\pm}) \pi^{\pm}$
- Branching ratio of 2.66 ± 0.03%
- Solution Use  $D^{*\pm} D^0$  mass difference (better resolution)
- Simultaneous fit to right and wrong charge combinations to obtain signal and background



### D\* in diffractive DIS

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### Diffractive DIS Charm Production

- Data collected 2005 and 2006
- Integrated luminosity 287 pb<sup>-1</sup>
- Diffractive data selected by rapidity gap method
  - no activity in calorimeter for  $\eta$ >3.2
  - no activity in forward detectors
- Data corrected for
  - background
  - acceptance
  - trigger efficiency
  - QED randiation

DIS phase space
$5 < Q^2 < 100 \; { m GeV}^2$
0.02 < y < 0.65
$D^*$ kinematics
$p_{t,D^*} > 1.5 \text{ GeV}$
$-1.5 < \eta_{D^*} < 1.5$
Diffractive phase space
$x_{I\!\!P} < 0.03$
$M_Y < 1.6 \text{ GeV}$
$ t  < 1  { m GeV}^2$

Uncorrected distributions compared with RAPGAP Monte Carlo



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### **Total Cross Section**

$$\sigma_{ep \to eYX(D^*)} = 314 \pm 23 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 35 \text{ (syst.) pb.}$$

$$\sigma_{ep \to eYX(D^*)}^{\text{theory}} = 265 \, {}^{+54}_{-40} \, \text{(scale)} \, {}^{+68}_{-54} \, (m_c) \, {}^{+7.0}_{-8.2} \, \text{(frag.)} \, {}^{+31}_{-35} \, \text{(DPDF)} \, \text{pb}.$$

### Agrees with theory within errors

Theory depends strongly on charm mass and factorisation and renormalisation scales

### Differential Cross Sections



Good agreement with NLO inclusive diffractive fit

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### Diffractive to Non-diffractive ratio



### Diffractive Fraction Summary

 Compatible with previous measurements even with slightly different kinematic regions



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### Summary

- New measurement with 6 time statistics
- Good agreement with NLO QCD
- Validates colinear factorisation in diffractive DIS

More details: <u>H1 Collab., V. Andreev et al., Eur.Phys.J.C77 (2017), 340</u>