Electroweak Physics at HERA

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$$Q^{2} = -q^{2} = -(k - k')^{2}$$

$$x = \frac{Q^{2}}{2 p \cdot q}$$

$$y = \frac{p \cdot q}{p \cdot k}$$

$$Wirtuality$$

$$Bjorken-x$$

$$Holasticity$$

$$Q^{2} = sxy = 2E_{e}E_{e}'(1 + \cos\theta_{e})$$

- Kinematics fixed by two variables
- \mathbf{Q}^2 and x mostly used
- HERA range: $Q^2 = 10^{-1} - 10^5 \text{ GeV}^2$ $x = 10^{-6} - 10^{0}$

Measuring DIS Events at HERA

- Two hermetic detectors H1 and ZEUS
- Use tracking and calorimetry
- H1 example e^+p event: $Q^2=25000$ GeV² y = 0.6

$$Q^{2} = sxy = 2E_{e}E_{e}'(1 + \cos\theta_{e})$$



Neutral and Charged Current Cross Sections



HERA II data H1 and ZEUS

CC suppressed by heavy W propagator

At $Q^2 > M^2_{Z/W}$ NC and CC cross sections become of same order

e⁻p cross sections larger than e^+p

High Q²: resolution $\approx 10^{-18}$ m

QCD describes HERA II data

HERA I+II Neutral Current at High Q²





 $Q^2 > 200 \text{ GeV}^2$

Full HERA I+II data analysed 270 pb⁻¹ e⁺p and 165 pb⁻¹ e⁻p data

Total uncertainty < 10%for Q² up to 20000 GeV²

Good agreement with QCD predictions

Quark Radius

HERA I+II neutral current high Q²

Form factor f_q modifies cross section

Extract 95% CL limits on quark radius assuming point like lepton

$$f_q\left(Q^2\right) = 1 - \frac{\langle r^2 \rangle}{6} Q^2$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = \frac{d\sigma^{SM}}{dQ^2} f_q \left(Q^2\right)$$





$$F_2^{\gamma Z}(\pm P_e) = 2e_q v_q \sum_f x \left(q + \bar{q}\right)$$
$$\pm x F_3^{\gamma Z}(\pm P_e) = 2e_q a_q \sum_f x \left(q - \bar{q}\right)$$

Pure Z contribution small But γZ interference terms sensitive to the couplings

Quark - Z Coupling



Combined EW/QCD fit makes use of all datasets

$$\sigma\left(e^+p\right) - \sigma\left(e^-p\right) \to x F_3^{\gamma Z}$$

$$\sigma(P_R) - \sigma(P_L) \longrightarrow F_2^{\gamma Z}$$

$$P_e = \frac{N_R - N_L}{N_R + N_L}$$

HERA resolves LEP ambiguity

LEP: qqbar $\rightarrow Z \rightarrow l^+l^-$ Tevatron: $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z \rightarrow l^+l^-$

HERA/Tevatron similar limits

HERA I Combined H1+ZEUS Charged Current

H1+ZEUS published results coherenty combined to maximise precision



CC Cross Section with Polarised Lepton Beam



Single W Boson Production



W Boson Polarisation



Summary

HERA operation stopped in June 2007, collider experiments collected together 1 fb⁻¹ of data (e⁺p and e⁻p)

High Q² NC analyses allow to extract limits on quark radius < 0.001x proton radius

Competitive quark-Z couplings measured

Updated ZEUS CC cross section results HERA II

H1 measures single W production cross section at 4σ level and W polarisation for the first time

H1+ZEUS combined 1 fb⁻¹ results well underway

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DIS Unpolarised Cross Sections in ep Scattering



Qualitatively for cross section: • NC >> CC • $Q^2 > M^2_W/M^2_Z \rightarrow NC \approx CC$ • $e^+p \neq e^-p_Moriond EW - Ytsen R. de Boer$

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HERA I: NC Cross Sections H1+ZEUS



Method for combining: S.Glazov XIII International Workshop on Deep Inelastic Scattering

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