### Heavy Flavour Production in ep Collisions



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- HERA and Production of Heavy Quarks
- Inclusive Measurements
- Heavy Meson Cross Sections



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### Electron-Proton-Collisions at HERA

HERA

EUS

### 920 GeV 27.6 GeV

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# Available Data



- in total ~500 pb<sup>-1</sup> of high energy data collected per experiment
- luminosity upgrade in 2001
  - detectors adjusted
  - ZEUS: new MicroVertex-Detector



# Inclusive DIS & Structure Functions



for low  $Q^2$  with  $Y_+ = (1 + (1 - y)^2)$ 

- directly sensitive to quark content of the proton
- gluons only seen in scaling violations



# Production of Heavy Quarks



predominantly via boson gluon fusion

large quark mass allows pQCD calculations

directly sensitive to gluon density in the proton

heavy quark contribution to structure function

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma^{b\overline{b}}}{dx \, dQ^2} = \frac{2 \pi \alpha^2}{Q^4} Y_+ \left[ F_2^{b\overline{b}}(x, Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{Y_+} F_L^{b\overline{b}}(x, Q^2) \right]$$

# Tagging of Heavy Quarks



# Inclusive Lifetime Tagging

#### signed impact parameter $\delta$



- both experiments have silicon vertex detectors
- inclusive method: use all tracks
- study significance of the (signed) impact parameter:  $S = \delta / \sigma(\delta)$
- allows separation of beauty, charm and light quarks

# Contribution to the Cross Section

- large charm fraction (up to ~30%)
- small beauty fraction (%o to few %)
- charm and beauty thresholds
- reasonable description by theory



 $F_2^{c\,\overline{c}}$ 



- all available measurements agree
  - inclusive lifetime
  - resonances: D\*, D<sup>±</sup>, D<sup>0</sup>, D<sub>S</sub>
- strong scaling violations
- sensitivity to parton densities (small x)

 $F_2^{b\overline{b}}$ 



- worlds first  $F_2^{b\overline{b}}$  measurements:
  - inclusive lifetime (H1)

-  $p_T^{rel}$  (ZEUS)

- NNLO calculation
- experimental errors too large to distinguish theories/PDFs
- much larger datasets (factor 3-10) available

## Heavy Meson Cross Sections

$$\sigma_{D^*} \sim f_{g/p}(x,\mu) \otimes \hat{\sigma}(x,\mu) \otimes D_c^{D^*}(x,\mu)$$

parton density function (non-perturbative) parton scattering cross section (perturbative) fragmentation function (non-perturbative)



### D\* Cross Section



good description by NLO calculation (HVQDIS) in full measured  $Q^2$  range (more than 4 orders of magnitude)

## **D\*** Cross Sections



### ZEUS and H1 data in agreement

# HVQDIS with ZEUS pdf agrees with data

deficit in proton direction with CTEQ5F3

# D\* Cross Sections



in general good description, sensitivity to pdfs, fragmentation, ...

### Azimuthal Correlations in D\* Events



# Differential Beauty Cross Sections



- examples for different taggings:
  - inclusive lifetime tag in dijet events (H1)
  - p<sub>T</sub><sup>rel</sup> & lifetime for dijets with muons (ZEUS)



 NLO (FMNR) agrees reasonably well with the data

### Compilation of Beauty Photoproduction

### **HERA**



### reasonable agreement of NLO with data

### **Fragmentation Fractions**

- fraction of *c* quarks hadronising as a particular *D* meson
- agreement between HERA experiments and e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> data



## Fragmentation Function



# Conclusions

- heavy flavour production at HERA allows to study
  - gluon density in the proton
  - pQCD calculations
- in general reasonable description of the data by NLO calculations
- sensitivity to parameters (fragmentation function)
- outlook: analyses using full HERA statistics

# Backup

## Fragmentation Function



### Scale dependence of the fragmentation function