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# Isolated Leptons + $P_T^{Miss}$ at HERA

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# H1 and ZEUS at HERA 1994-2007



# Introduction to Isolated Leptons



- H1 observation of events containing  $P_T^{Miss}$  and high  $P_T$  leptons (electron or muon) in the HERA I analysis (118 pb<sup>-1</sup>):
  - 19 events in the data (1 in  $e^{-p}$ ) compared to SM expectation of 14.5 ± 2.0
  - Excess of data events observed at large hadronic transverse momentum
  - Result not confirmed by ZEUS HERA I analysis (more limited phase space)

### Standard Model Signal Processes

- Main SM contribution to signal from real W production via photoproduction with subsequent decay to leptons
  - Total cross section of order 1.3 pb, with 10% of W decays to each lepton flavour
  - Modelled using the EPVEC generator with a NLO QCD correction (Diener et. al.): modifies LO cross section by about 10%, reduces theoretical error to 15%
  - Hadronic system of **typically low**  $P_T^X$



• Two additional processes included that contribute to the signal topology:



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# **Isolated Lepton Event Selection**

Variable	Electron	Muon		
$\theta_1$	$5^{\circ} < \theta_{1} < 140^{\circ} (H1), \ 15^{\circ} < \theta_{1} < 120^{\circ} (ZEUS)$		Analysis phase	
P <sub>T</sub> <sup>1</sup>	> 10	GeV	space selection.	
$P_T^{calo}$	> 12 GeV		H1: extended polar	
P <sub>T</sub> <sup>miss</sup>	> 12	GeV	J angle range	
P <sub>T</sub> <sup>X</sup>	-	> 12 GeV		
D <sub>jet</sub>	> 1.0		] ] Isolation of lenton	
D <sub>track</sub>	$> 0.5$ for $\theta_e \ge 45^\circ$	> 0.5		
$\zeta_l^2$	$> 5000 \text{ GeV}^2 \text{ for } P_T^{\text{calo}} < 25 \text{ GeV}$	_	Cuts designed to	
$V_{ap}/V_{p}$	< 0.5 ( < 0.15 for $P_T^{e}$ < 25 GeV)	< 0.5 ( < 0.15 for $P_T^{calo}$ < 25 GeV)	background,	
$\Delta \varphi_{1\text{-}X}$	< 160°	< 170°	whilst preserving	
$\delta_{\rm miss}$	> 5 GeV <sup>¢</sup>	-	large signal purity	
# isolated µ	0	1		

**#** H1: only if one e candidate is detected, with the same charge as the beam lepton

# Display of an Isolated Electron Event



- Elastic  $e + P_T^{Miss}$  event in the H1 HERA II  $e^+p$  data
- $P_T^e = 47 \text{ GeV}, P_T^{Miss} = 47 \text{ GeV}, P_T^X = 0 \text{ GeV}$

### **Display of an Isolated Muon Event**



- High  $P_T^X \mu + P_T^{Miss}$  event in the ZEUS e<sup>-</sup>p HERA II data
- $\theta^{\mu} = 32^{\circ}, M_{T}^{\mu\nu} = 79 \text{ GeV}, P_{T}^{X} = 82 \text{ GeV}$

### H1 Results from HERA I+II

Analysis lepton polar angle range  $5^\circ < \theta_1 < 140^\circ$ 

- Total H1 luminosity from HERA I and II datasets: 478 pb<sup>-1</sup>
- Significant increase in statistics of e<sup>-</sup>p data compared to HERA I
- An overall excess still visible at large values of hadronic transverse momentum



H1 e <sup>±</sup> p data HERA I+II (478 pb <sup>-1</sup> )	e channel obs. / exp. (signal)	μ channel obs. / exp. (signal)	e and μ channels obs. / exp. (signal)
Full sample	42 / 46.7 ± 6.5 (69%)	17 / 12.2 ± 1.8 (82%)	59 / 58.9 ± 8.2 (72%)
$P_T^X > 25 \text{ GeV}$	14 / 8.5 ± 1.5 (68%)	10 / 7.3 ± 1.2 (79%)	24 / 15.8 ± 2.3 (73%)

# H1 Results from e<sup>+</sup>p and e<sup>-</sup>p Data



• *Excess at 3.0*σ *level in e<sup>+</sup>p data only* - difference between data sets

# H1 Tau Results from HERA I+II



- Complementary results to the electron and muon channels
- Signature of 1-prong tau decay (45% branching ratio)
  - 1 charged track (the "prong") giving a narrow, pencil like jet
- Good agreement seen of complete H1 data with the SM prediction
- Dominated by background processes, only 14% signal (other channels up to 85%)
  - Main source of background: CC events with narrow jets

## ZEUS Results from HERA I+II

#### Analysis lepton polar angle range: $15^{\circ} < \theta_1 < 120^{\circ}$



# ZEUS Results from HERA I+II

Isolated e Candidates	$P_T^X < 12 \text{ GeV}$	$12 < P_T^X < 25 \text{ GeV}$	$P_T^X > 25 \mathrm{GeV}$
ZEUS (prel.) $e^-p$ 206 pb <sup>-1</sup>	$9/11.3 \pm 2.0 \ (55\%)$	$5/3.4 \pm 0.8~(62\%)$	$3/3.2 \pm 0.6 \ (69\%)$
ZEUS (prel.) $e^+p$ 286 pb <sup>-1</sup>	$7/12.3 \pm 1.9~(66\%)$	$5/4.1 \pm 0.7~(67\%)$	$3/3.9 \pm 0.6~(76\%)$
ZEUS (prel.) $e^{\pm}p \ 492 \ \text{pb}^{-1}$	$16/23.6\pm 3.8~(60\%)$	$10/7.5 \pm 1.4 \ (65\%)$	$6/7.1 \pm 1.1 \ (73\%)$



Isolated $\mu$ Candidates	$12 < P_T^X < 25 \text{ GeV}$	$P_T^X > 25 \text{ GeV}$
ZEUS (prel.) $e^-p \ 206 \ \text{pb}^{-1}$	$1/1.7\pm0.3~(77\%)$	$2/2.4 \pm 0.4 \; (85\%)$
ZEUS (prel.) $e^+p$ 286 pb <sup>-1</sup>	$3/2.3\pm0.3~(82\%)$	$3/3.6\pm0.5~(81\%)$
ZEUS (prel.) $e^{\pm}p \ 492 \ \text{pb}^{-1}$	$4/4.1 \pm 0.6 \ (80\%)$	$5/6.0 \pm 0.8~(82\%)$

• Like H1, full HERA I+II data set has been analysed

- 41 events observed in 492 pb<sup>-1</sup> of data

- Good agreement between data and SM in both lepton channels and in all data sets
- No excess seen at high  $P_T^X$  in the e<sup>+</sup>p data as seen by H1

# Combining H1 and ZEUS Results

- The H1 analysis is redone using the ZEUS event selection
  - Few changes to the H1 selection: a more restricted polar angle range:  $15^{\circ} < \theta_{|} < 120^{\circ}$ , as well as relaxing of the condition on  $\delta_{\text{miss}}$
- This common phase space was studied using HERA II samples
  - Excellent agreement found between signal rates of the experiments
  - Some background is still higher in the ZEUS analysis, but within reasonable level of agreement
- H1 and ZEUS signal contributions added together and 15% correlated systematic (theory error) applied
- All others added separately in quadrature with individual (level of agreement) uncorrelated systematic error

### H1+ZEUS Results from HERA I+II



# H1+ZEUS: Results at High $P_T^X$

H1+ZEUS HERA I+II $P_T^X > 25 \text{ GeV}$	e channel obs. / exp. (signal)	μ <b>channel</b> obs. / exp. (signal)	e and μ channels obs. / exp. (signal)
e <sup>+</sup> p data (0.58 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	12 / 7.4 ± 1.0 (70%)	11 / 7.2 ± 1.0 (85%)	23 / 14.6 ± 1.9 (81%)
e <sup>-</sup> p data (0.39 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	4 / 6.0 ± 0.8 (67%)	2 / 4.8 ± 0.7 (87%)	6 / 10.6 ± 1.4 (76%)

- High P<sub>T</sub><sup>X</sup> excess in e<sup>+</sup>p data remains, even after inclusion of the ZEUS data, with a lower significance of 1.8σ
- For the H1 contribution in this phase space: 17 / 7.1  $\pm$  0.9, the significance is 2.9 $\sigma$



### H1 Cross Section Measurements

- H1 selection results in the electron and muon channels are used to calculate production cross sections (excess only at high  $P_T^X$ )
- Two cross section definitions:

$$\sigma_{IsoLep} = \frac{N_d - N_{bg}^{MC}}{\mathcal{L}\epsilon} \qquad \sigma_W = \frac{N_d - N_{bg}^{MC}}{\mathcal{L}\Gamma\epsilon} \qquad \epsilon = \frac{N_{rec}^{MC}}{N_{gen}^{MC}}$$
Isolated Lepton Cross Section Total Single W Cross Section
$$\frac{\mathbf{H1} \quad \mathbf{HERA I+II Data} \quad \mathbf{SM}}{\sigma_{\sigma_{\ell+P_T}} \quad 0.24 \pm 0.05 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.05 \text{ (sys)} \quad 0.26 \pm 0.04 \text{ (th.sys)}}{1.23 \pm 0.25 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.22 \text{ (sys)} \quad 1.31 \pm 0.20 \text{ (th.sys)}}$$

• Both measured cross sections in good agreement with the SM predictions

### H1 Measurement of W Polarisation Fractions



• The measured H1 cross section is fit to the above W helicity model

### H1 Measurement of W Polarisation Fractions

- F<sub>0</sub> and F<sub>2</sub> simultaneously extracted (2D fit)
- Result in agreement with the SM prediction and compatible with Single Top production
- Polarisation fractions also extracted in 1D fits where one parameter is fixed to the SM

H1	HERA I+II Data	SM
$F_{-}$	$0.58 \pm 0.15 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.12 (\text{sys})$	$0.61 \pm 0.01$ (stat)
$F_0$	$0.15 \pm 0.21 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.09 \text{ (sys)}$	$0.19 \pm 0.01$ (stat)



# Single Top Production at HERA

- Excess of observed events at high P<sub>T</sub><sup>X</sup> unlikely to be due to W production (typically low P<sub>T</sub><sup>X</sup>)
  - But! Observed topology is typical signature of top decay  $t \rightarrow bW$
  - Tiny SM top production cross section < 1 fb</li>
  - Anomalous top production via Flavour Changing Neutral Current ?
  - However: This process cannot explain asymmetry between datasets
- HERA I analyses:
  - − H1:  $\sigma(ep \rightarrow etX) < 0.55 pb$
  - − ZEUS:  $\sigma$ (ep → etX) < 0.23 pb



κ<sub>tuγ</sub>: Anomalous γ magnetic coupling V<sub>tuZ</sub>: Anomalous Z vector coupling

# H1: Single Top using HERA I+II Data

- Top pre-selection is subset of the  $I + P_T^{Miss}$  selection
  - Good top quark reconstruction required
  - Positive charge of lepton, where possible

ELECTRON CHANNEL



**MUON CHANNEL** 



- Multivariate discriminator then used to separate signal and background
  - $P_{T}{}^{b}$  ,  $M_{I\nu b}$  and  $\theta^{I}{}_{W}$
  - Top:signal, W:background





# H1: HERA I+II Exclusion Limits



• New limit extends into region of phase space uncovered by other colliders

# Summary

- A search for events with isolated leptons and missing P<sub>T</sub> performed by H1 and ZEUS using the full HERA I+II dataset, luminosity ~ 1 fb<sup>-1</sup>
  - Measurement of W production at HERA
- The H1 and ZEUS analyses are <u>coherently combined</u> for the first time
- H1 excess at large  $P_T^X$  in e<sup>+</sup>p data <u>persists</u> in full HERA I+II data set
  - Excess drops to 1.8 sigma significance with full H1+ZEUS data
- Cross section and W Helicity measurements performed by H1
- Exclusion limit on anomalous top cross section extended to  $\sigma < 0.16$  pb - *Currently the best limit on the anomalous magnetic coupling:*  $\kappa_{tuv} < 0.14$



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### H1 Results from HERA I Analysis



HERA I (118 pb <sup>-1</sup> )	obs. / exp.	obs. / exp.	obs. / exp.
Full sample	11 / 11.5 ± 1.5	8 / 2.9 ± 0.5	19 / 14.5 ± 2.0
$P_T^X > 25 \text{ GeV}$	5 / 1.8 ± 0.3	6 / 1.7 ± 0.3	11 / 3.5 ± 0.6

# Standard Model Background

- Main SM Background processes:
  - Neutral and Charged Current and lepton pair production (also photoproduction)



# Display of an Isolated Electron Event



- High  $P_T^X e + P_T^{Miss}$  event in H1 HERA II e<sup>+</sup>p data
- $P_T^e = 37 \text{ GeV}, P_T^{Miss} = 44 \text{ GeV}, P_T^X = 29 \text{ GeV}$

### **Display of an Isolated Muon Event**



- High  $P_T^X \mu + P_T^{Miss}$  event in H1 HERA II e<sup>+</sup>p data
- $P_T^{\mu} = 51 \text{ GeV}, P_T^{Miss} = 39 \text{ GeV}, P_T^{X} = 48 \text{ GeV}$

### **Display of an Isolated Muon Event**



- High  $P_T^{X} \mu + P_T^{Miss}$  event in H1 HERA II e<sup>-</sup>p data
- $P_T^{\mu} = 38 \text{ GeV}, P_T^{\text{Miss}} = 51 \text{ GeV}, P_T^{X} = 24.7 \text{ GeV}$

### H1+ZEUS: HERA I+II e<sup>+</sup>p Data



### H1+ZEUS: HERA I+II e<sup>-</sup>p Data



## H1+ZEUS: HERA I+II Data

H1+ZEUS Preliminary		Electron	Muon	Combined
$l+P_T^{\text{miss}}$ events at		obs./exp.	obs./exp.	obs./exp.
HERA I+II		(Signal contribution)	(Signal contribution)	(Signal contribution)
1994-2007 $e^+p$	Full Sample	39 / 41.3 ± 5.0 (70%)	18 / 11.8 ± 1.6 (85%)	57 / 53.1 ± 6.4 (73%)
$0.58 \ { m fb}^{-1}$	$P_T^X > 25 \mathrm{GeV}$	$12  /  7.4 \pm 1.0  (78\%)$	$11  /  7.2 \pm 1.0  (85\%)$	23 / 14.6 ± 1.9 (81%)
1998-2006 $e^-p$	Full Sample	25 / 31.6 ± 4.1 (63%)	5 / 8.0 ± 1.1 (86%)	30 / 39.6 ± 5.0 (68%)
$0.39 \ {\rm fb}^{-1}$	$P_T^X > 25 \mathrm{GeV}$	$4  /  6.0 \pm 0.8  (67\%)$	$2$ / $4.8 \pm 0.7$ ( $87\%$ )	$6  /  10.6 \pm 1.4  (76\%)$
1994-2007 $e^{\pm}p$	Full Sample	64 / 72.9 ± 8.9 (67%)	$23 / 19.9 \pm 2.6 \ (85\%)$	87/92.7±11.2(71%)
$0.97 \ {\rm fb}^{-1}$	$P_T^X > 25 \text{ GeV}$	$16 / 13.3 \pm 1.7 (73\%)$	$13 / 12.0 \pm 1.6 (86\%)$	29 / 25.3 ± 3.2 (79%)

# A BSM Model favouring e<sup>+</sup>p over e<sup>-</sup>p

• Particle coupling to e-q with fermion number F=0 ?



Large mass i.e. large  $x_{Bj}$ d >>  $\overline{d}$ , hence  $\sigma(e+) >> \sigma(e-)$ 

• Another example : Squarks in R-parity violating SUSY ?



If LSP is  $\widetilde{\nu}_{\tau}$  and no large RpV coupling involving the  $\tau$  :  $\widetilde{\nu}_{\tau}$  could be long-lived

RpV via couplings involving two 3<sup>rd</sup> generation fields, light sbottom. Large  $M_{top} \rightarrow large x_{Bj}$