Two Photon Physics

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- Total $\gamma\gamma$ cross section
- ✤ Heavy flavour production
- $\gamma^* \gamma^*$ cross section
- Inclusive hadrons
- Exclusive final states
- Conclusions

Selected results are presented

Two photon physics at LEP



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Hadron production at LEP



Two-photon collisions are the dominant source of hadrons at

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Selection of two photon events



Two-photon events have low visible mass or visible energy (energy escape with beam electrons and forward hadrons) DELPHI



Total $\gamma\gamma$ cross section



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 $\gamma\gamma
ightarrow qar{q}$, total cross section

growing cross section



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$$\gamma\gamma
ightarrow qar{q}$$
, DL fit



Heavy flavour production in two-photon collisions



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Charm production in two-photon collisions



M.Drees, M.Krämer, J.Zunft, P.M.Zerwas, Phys.Lett.B306(1993) 371, $M_R = M_F = m_c$; GRV p.d.f.

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Inclusive J/Ψ production $J/\Psi \rightarrow e^+ e^ J/\Psi \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ 35 Entries/0.04GeV/c² 30 20 DELPHI 25 15 20 10 15 10 5 5 0 ∟ 2.4 $\frac{3.4}{M(\mu^+\mu^-)}$, GeV/c² 3.2 2.6 2.8 3

 $N_{events} = 36 \pm 7$ $M_{J/\Psi} = 3119 \pm 8MeV$ $resolution = 35 \pm 7 MeV$

n 2.6 2.8 3 3.2 3.4 3.6 3.8 Δ Mee (GeV) $N_{events} = 33 \pm 10$ $M_{J/\Psi} = 3090 \pm 10 MeV$

L3 preliminary

 $resolution = 34 \pm 8 MeV$

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Inclusive J/Ψ production (DELPHI)



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Open $b\bar{b}$ production



 $b\bar{b}$ excess at the 5σ level $\sigma_{b\bar{b}} \approx 3$ times the theory prediction

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Electron-Photon DIS



 $\Box \text{ Cross Section}$ $\frac{d^2\sigma}{dxdQ^2} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \frac{1}{x} \left\{ 1 + (1-y)^2 F_2^{\gamma}(x,Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{2} F_L^{\gamma}(x,Q^2) \right\}$ $\blacksquare \text{ Hadronic } F_2^{\gamma}(x,Q^2)$

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Charm structure function



 $\gamma^*\gamma^*$ collisions



 \leftrightarrows BFKL diagram is predicted to be dominant at high Q^2 and high $W_{\gamma^*\gamma^*}$

⇒ two virtual photons → double-tagged events

 $< Q_1^2 > \approx < Q_2^2 >$

In Leading order approximation :

$$\sigma_{\gamma^*\gamma^*} = \sigma_0 \left(\frac{s}{s_0}\right)^{\alpha_P - 1} \simeq \sigma_0 \left(\frac{W_{\gamma^*\gamma^*}^2}{\sqrt{Q_1^2 Q_2^2}}\right)^{\alpha_P - 1}$$

$$s_0 = rac{\sqrt{Q_1^2 Q_2^2}}{y_1 y_2}$$

$$\alpha_P - 1 = 4 \ln 2 \frac{N_c \alpha_s}{\pi}$$
$$Y = \ln(\frac{W_{\gamma^* \gamma^*}^2}{\sqrt{2^2 \sigma^2}});$$

 \Box Using $N_c=3$, $\alpha_s=0.2$ \clubsuit $\alpha_P-1\simeq 0.53>0.093$

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$\gamma^*\gamma^*$ collisions

either large radiative corrections or large unfolding errors



Double-tagged events at LEP

Event statistics			
	ALEPH	L3	OPAL
	(preliminary)		
Luminosity, pb^{-1}	640	617	593
N_{events}	891	491	179
Bkgd, %	23	18	24
$< Q^2 >$, ${ m GeV}^2$		16	18

Double-tagged events at LEP

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 $\gamma^*\gamma^*$ cross section



DGLAP describes the data

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Inclusive single hadron production

\clubsuit L3: for each p_t and and $|\eta|$ bin





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Inclusive single hadron production

Comparison: L3 and OPAL



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Exclusive final states

 $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

 $\diamond \gamma \gamma \rightarrow \mathrm{K}^+\mathrm{K}^-$

 $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow p\bar{p}$

 $\diamond \gamma \gamma \to \Lambda \bar{\Lambda}$

 $\gamma \gamma \to \Sigma \bar{\Sigma}$

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 $\gamma\gamma
ightarrow \pi^+\pi^-, K^+K^-$

ALEPH



the angular distribution shape in agreement with QCD

 $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ data two times higher than expectation

ALEPH



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Baryon production in two-photon collisions



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quark-diquark system

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Summary

- □ Hadronic cross sections
 - $\Rightarrow \sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ increases at high energies
 - \Rightarrow Charm is in agreement with QCD, but low m_c
 - \Rightarrow F_2^{charm} needs resolved processes at low x
 - ⇒ Beauty is in disagreement with QCD
 - $\Rightarrow \sigma_{\gamma^*\gamma^*}$ inconsistent with LO BFKL prediction
 - \Rightarrow High- p_t hadrons: NLO QCD prediction is too low
 - → Baryons as a quark-diquark system



Many interesting results

LEP two-photon analyses still going on

Several discrepancies with QCD

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