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Motivation

Usually proton collisions produce very many final state particle because the gluon is a coloured object.

But if a **colourless** object is exchanged.....



- Results can be related to HERA and Tevatron
- Understand QCD in a clean environment
- Unambiguous evidence for pomeron. Search for odderon
- Constrain unintegrated parton distributions at very small x (2x10⁻⁶)
- Search for saturation effects

Central Exclusive Production



Elastic Scattering

Single Diffraction

Double Diffraction

Central Exclusive Production (elastic)

Central Exclusive Production (inelastic)



Use of backwards tracks



Trigger on two muons and <20 SPD hits



Requiring a gap, there is evidence for central exclusive production decaying to two muons.

Simple Selection Criteria



- No backward tracks (gap of ~2 units of rapidity)
 Precisely two forward muons
- No photons (for J/psi and diphoton process)
- One photon (for ChiC analysis)
- p_T of dimuon <900 MeV (<100MeV for $p\mu\mu p$).

Dimuon Mass Spectrum





- No backward tracks
- Precisely two forward muons
- No photons

J/ψ and ψ ': Number of Photons



J/ψ and ψ ': Number of Tracks



Tempting to fit the background under the peak using straight line/exponential. Better if we can understand the physics giving background.

Inelastic backgrounds



Fit elastic and inelastic components



J/4 Non-resonant background & misid



This is not background subtracted !

ψ': Non-resonant backgrounds & misid





No backward tracks

• Precisely two forward muons. $m_{\mu\mu}$ >2.5 GeV

No photons

Fit elastic and inelastic components



Shape for inelastic events

Note: this time we have simulation that predicts the shape for the three contributions.

Fit to signal events

Background shape from data Signal shape from simulation.

χ_{c}

No backward tracks

Precisely two forward muons

Precisely one photon

χ_c: DiMuon Invariant Mass



About half the background that was observed in the exclusive J/ψ analysis (since no continuum process).



(Caveat: Inelastic contribution appears to be much larger than for J/ψ)

Cross-section calculations

■ σ=(pN/ε) / L

- ε: Trigger, tracking, photon & selection efficiencies are estimated from simulation, with size of systematics taken from data/simulation agreement.
- **p:** Feed-down for ψ ', χ_c subtracted. Uncertainty on fit to p_T spectrum taken as systematic on inelastic contribution.
- L: Analysis only uses single-interaction events. Need to know average number of pile-up interactions. Currently translates into 20% uncertainty on L.

<u>Summary</u>

| | J/ψ | ψ' | χ_{c0} | χ_{c1} | χ_{c2} | diphoton |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| ϵ_{track} | 0.97 ± 0.03 | 0.97 ± 0.03 | 0.97 ± 0.03 | 0.97 ± 0.03 | 0.97 ± 0.03 | 0.96 ± 0.03 |
| $\epsilon_{\mu id}$ | 0.89 ± 0.03 | 0.89 ± 0.03 | 0.89 ± 0.03 | 0.89 ± 0.03 | 0.89 ± 0.03 | 0.89 ± 0.03 |
| ϵ_{γ} | | | 0.61 ± 0.08 | 0.75 ± 0.05 | 0.78 ± 0.04 | |
| ϵ_{sel} | 0.95 | 0.95 | 0.76 | 0.76 | 0.76 | 0.35 |
| Efficiency | 0.71 ± 0.06 | 0.71 ± 0.06 | 0.34 ± 0.06 | 0.43 ± 0.05 | 0.44 ± 0.04 | 0.25 ± 0.02 |
| # Events | 1468 ± 38 | 40 ± 6 | 25 ± 6 | 56 ± 18 | 99 ± 29 | 40 ± 6 |
| Purity | 0.71 ± 0.03 | 0.67 ± 0.03 | 0.39 ± 0.13 | 0.39 ± 0.13 | 0.39 ± 0.13 | 0.97 ± 0.01 |
| L_{eff} (pb ⁻¹) | 3.1 ± 0.6 | 3.1 ± 0.6 | 3.1 ± 0.6 | 3.1 ± 0.6 | 3.1 ± 0.6 | 2.3 ± 0.5 |
| Cross-section | 474 ± 12 | 12.2 ± 1.8 | 9.3 ± 2.2 | 16.4 ± 5.3 | 28.0 ± 5.4 | 67 ± 10 |
| $\times BR$ (pb) | $\pm 45 \pm 92$ | $\pm 1.2 \pm 2.4$ | $\pm 3.5 \pm 1.8$ | $\pm 5.8 \pm 3.2$ | $\pm 9.7 \pm 5.4$ | $\pm 5 \pm 15$ |

 $\sigma_{J\psi\to\mu^+\mu^-} (2 < \eta_{\mu^+}, \eta_{\mu^-} < 4.5) = 474 \pm 12 \pm 45 \pm 92 \text{ pb}$

$$\begin{split} \sigma_{\psi' \to \mu^+ \mu^-} (2 < \eta_{\mu+}, \eta_{\mu-} < 4.5) &= 12.2 \pm 1.8 \pm 1.2 \pm 2.4 \text{ pb} \\ \sigma_{\chi_0 \to J \psi \gamma \to \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma} (2 < \eta_{\mu+}, \eta_{\mu-}, \eta_{\gamma} < 4.5) &= 9.3 \pm 2.2 \pm 3.5 \pm 1.8 \text{ pb} \\ \sigma_{\chi_1 \to J \psi \gamma \to \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma} (2 < \eta_{\mu+}, \eta_{\mu-}, \eta_{\gamma} < 4.5) &= 16.4 \pm 5.3 \pm 5.8 \pm 3.2 \text{ pb} \\ \sigma_{\chi_2 \to J \psi \gamma \to \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma} (2 < \eta_{\mu+}, \eta_{\mu-}, \eta_{\gamma} < 4.5) &= 28.0 \pm 5.4 \pm 9.7 \pm 5.4 \text{ pb} \\ \sigma_{pp \to p\mu^+ \mu^- p} (2 < \eta_{\mu+}, \eta_{\mu-} < 4.5; m_{\mu+\mu-} > 2.5 \text{GeV}) &= 67 \pm 10 \pm 5 \pm 15 \text{ pb} \end{split}$$

Comparison to Theory

| J/ψ: 474 +-103 pb | Starlight (Klein & SuperChic (Harlan Motyka & Watt 33 Schäfer & Szczure | Nystrand) 292 p id-Lang, Khoze, 0 pb ik 710 pb | b Ryskin, Stirlin) 330 pb | | | |
|---|--|---|---------------------------------|--|--|--|
| ψ': 12.2 +- 3.2 pb | Starlight (Klein & Schäfer & Szczur | ₄ Nystrand) 6 pb ek ~ 17 pb | | | | |
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| χ ₀ : 9.3 | 3 +- 4.5 pb χ ₁ : | 16.4 +- 7.1 pb | χ ₂ : 28.0 +-12.3 pb | | | |
| SuperChic: 14 | pb | 10 pb | 3 pb | | | |
| pµµp: 67 +- 19 pb LPAIR (J. Vermaseren) 42 pb | | | | | | |



- First Observation of CEP at LHC
- First separation of χ_c spin states in CEP
- Good agreement with theory predictions
- Consistency with HERA and CDF results.