Virtual photon velocities and the uncertainty of localization of a quark in the proton in DIS at HERA. Part I

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Plan

At a next ZAF, Part II - Virtual photon velocities

► Today, Part I (a simpler part):

the accuracy of localization of a quark

- General remarks and motivation
- A model, the mathematical framework (a tool)
- Results
- Conclusions

Motivation:

2016 : The ZEUS remarkable paper Limits on the effective quark radius from inclusive ep scattering at HERA DESY-16-035 (February 2016) / Phys. Lett. B 757 (2016) 468

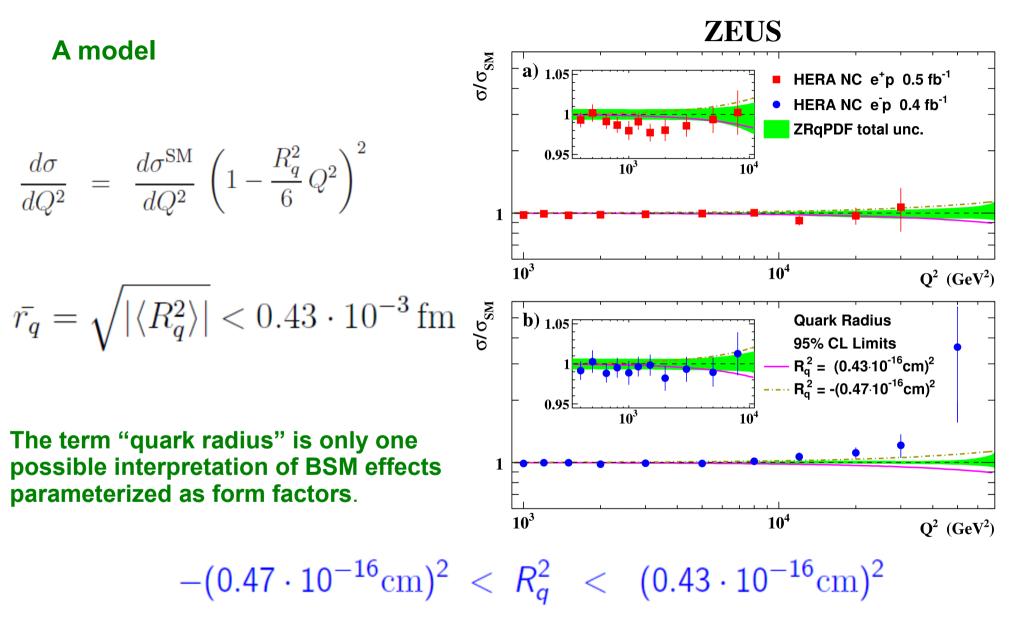
For general public nicely introduced by Jon Butterworth in April 2016: How big is a quark? (www.theguardian.com/science/life-and-physics/2016/apr/07/how-big-is-a-quark)

2016, January, February: discussions with Filip and Iris

Boris: With Rq and Q in hands, even possible to check how well works an estimation of Rq based on the Heisenberg's uncertainty relation,

Rq ~ h/Q ?

The effective «quark radius» limits



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How big is a quark?

In the macro-world, to measure the size of the simplest geometric entity, 1D line segment, it is necessary to measure the coordinates of the ends of the segment and compile their difference:

 $\boldsymbol{L} = \sqrt{\left(\boldsymbol{z}_2 - \boldsymbol{z}_1\right)^2}$

A minimum of two coordinate measurements are required to define a geometric size.

In the microworld, we do not have a similar method for directly measuring within a particle two coordinates simultaneously.

However, we have the method that allows us to estimate an accuracy of this type (hypothetical) measurement. The Heisenberg's uncertainty relations (HUR, 1925) connect the uncertainty in the particle position (x,y,z) with the uncertainty of the conjugated momentum of the same particle. For instance for the z-component

$$[\hat{z}, \hat{p_z}] = i\hbar \implies \sqrt{\langle (\Delta z)^2 \rangle \langle (\Delta p_z)^2 \rangle} \ge \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

In the relativistic domain HUR is also valid (Landau, Peierls, 1931)

In our case, the particle is a quark within the proton with which a virtual boson interacts.

Since the transfered 4-momentum q is some indirect way related to the quark momentum after a collision, we need to specify a model how the proton momentum is distributed between quarks before a collision.

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The parton model (Feynman)

Variables
$$x_{Bj}$$
, Q^2 , $x_{Bj}ys = Q^2$, E_e , E_p , $s = 4E_eE_p$
$$p_z = x_{Bj} \cdot P \implies \sqrt{\langle (\Delta p_z)^2 \rangle} = \sqrt{\langle (\Delta x_{Bj})^2 \rangle}P$$

With a virtual photon we «see directly» only quarks

Sharpen your tool before tackling a task (Chinese saying)

The tool : Indirect measurements

Bases of the theory of errors

T.A. Agekyan, 1972 Measurement Errors and Uncertainties S. G. Rabinovich, 2005

Very often it happens that the $x_1, x_2, ..., x_m$ values to be determined cannot be directly measured.

However, one can measure $y_1, y_2, ..., y_k$ variables that are known functions of $x_1, x_2, ..., x_m$ variables,

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) = y_i$$

Example, 1D: $z = \phi(x), \ z \approx \phi(\bar{x}) + \phi'(x - \bar{x})$
 $\langle (\Delta z)^2 \rangle = \langle z^2 \rangle - \langle z \rangle^2 = \langle (\phi(\bar{x}) + \phi' \cdot (x - \bar{x}))^2 \rangle - \phi(\bar{x})^2 = (\phi')^2 \cdot \sigma_x^2$
 $\sigma_x^2 = \langle (\Delta x)^2 \rangle = \langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2$

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The standard or dispersion for several variables

$$z = \mathcal{F}(x, y), \ \langle (\Delta z)^2 \rangle = \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial x}\right)^2 \langle (\Delta x)^2 \rangle + \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial y}\right)^2 \langle (\Delta y)^2 \rangle$$

For the selected model, the parton model

$$\langle (\Delta x_{Bj})^2 \rangle = \left(\frac{\partial x_{Bj}}{\partial Q^2} \right)^2 \langle (\Delta Q^2)^2 \rangle + \left(\frac{\partial x_{Bj}}{\partial y} \right)^2 \langle (\Delta y)^2 \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle (\Delta x_{Bj})^2 \rangle = \left(\frac{x_{Bj}}{Q^2} \right)^2 \langle (\Delta Q^2)^2 \rangle + \left(\frac{x_{Bj}}{y} \right)^2 \langle (\Delta y)^2 \rangle$$

$$\langle (\Delta Q^2)^2 \rangle = \frac{4Q^2}{1 - y_e} \langle (c\Delta p_t)^2 \rangle + \left(\frac{Q^2}{1 - y_e}\right)^2 \langle (\Delta y)^2 \rangle$$

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That is

As you can see, it is not enough to know only the $Q^2 \wedge x_{Bj}$ variables.

You must also know the accuracy with which the ZEUS detector works.

So,

$$\Delta p_t = \left(\frac{\sigma(p_t)}{p_t}\right) p_t = p_t \sqrt{(0.0058p_t)^2 + (0.0065)^2 + (0.0014/p_t)^2}$$

and

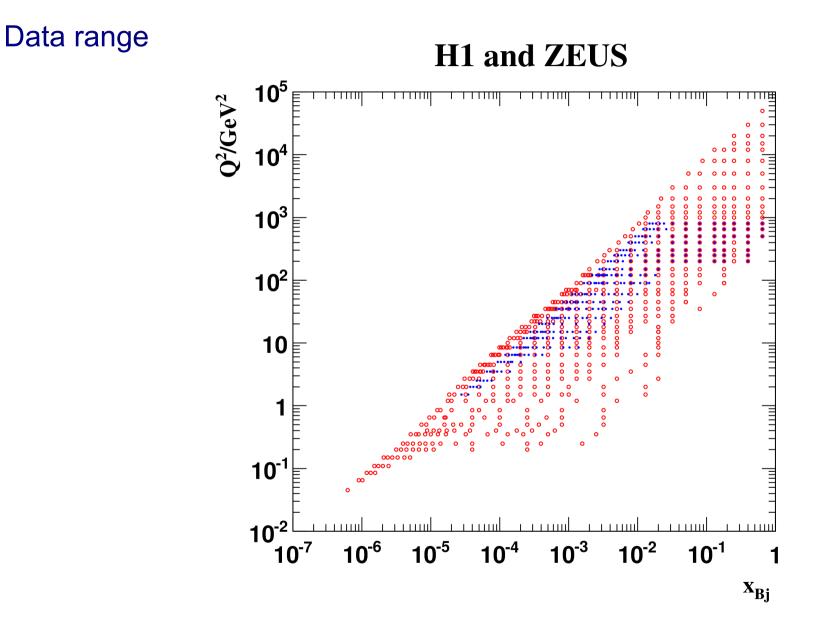
$$\sigma_{\Sigma} / \Sigma_{e} = [0.18 / \sqrt{\Sigma_{e}}],$$

$$\Delta \Sigma_{e} = \sigma_{\Sigma} = \left[\frac{0.18}{\sqrt{\Sigma_{e}}}\right] \Sigma_{e} = 0.18 \sqrt{2(1-y)k_{e}} \implies \Delta y = 0.18 \sqrt{\frac{1-y}{2ck_{e}}}$$

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Combination of H1 and ZEUS data

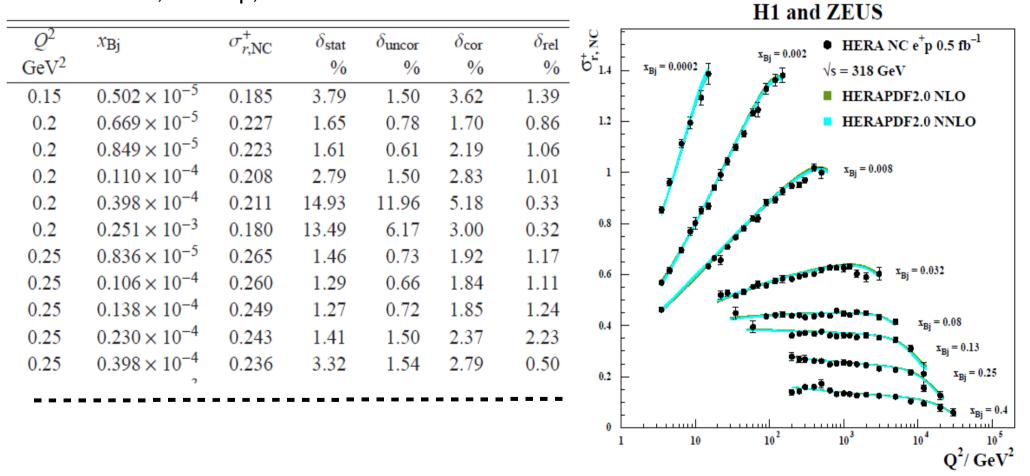


Data on Q2 and X_Bj in the tabulated form

Combination of Measurements of Inclusive Deep Inelastic e+- p Scattering Cross Sections and QCD Analysis of HERA Data

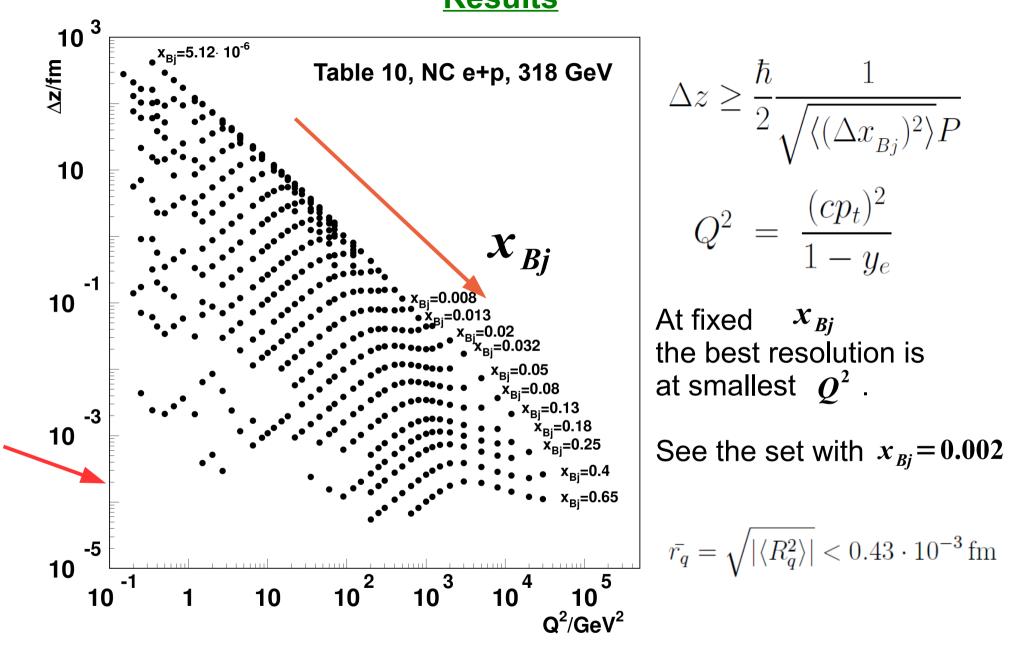
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Table 10, NC e+p, 318 GeV

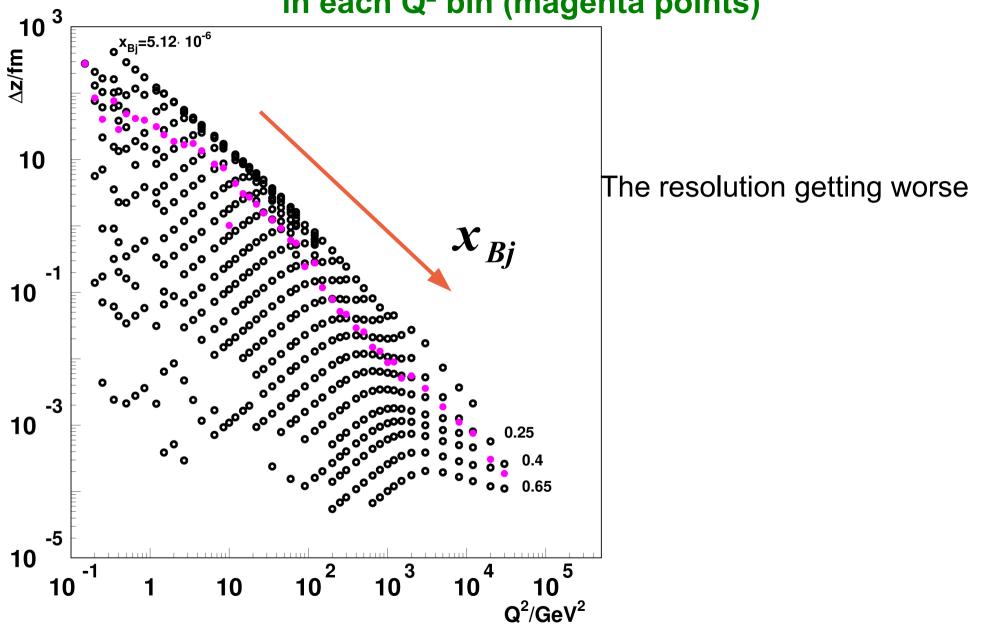


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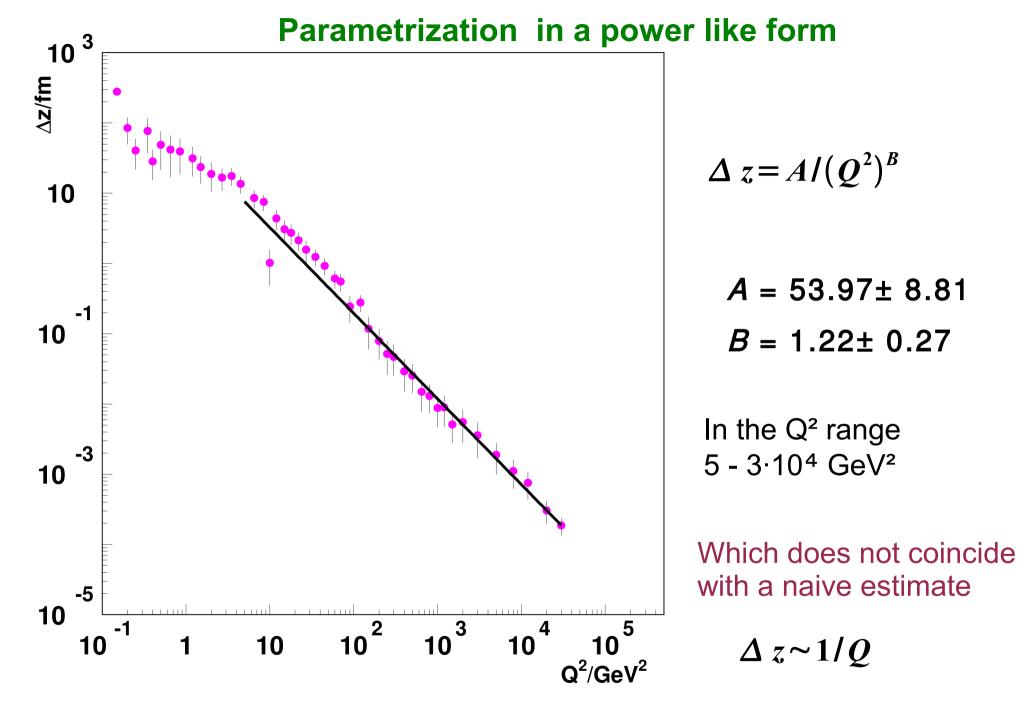
Results



After calculating the arithmetic mean in each Q² bin (magenta points)



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Conclusions

- With the use of the method of indirect measurements and the Heisenberg uncertainty principle, the accuracy of quark localization in the proton as a function of x_{Bj} and Q^2 is estimated.
- So far, I used only published H1 and ZEUS data with common (x_{Bi}, Q^2) grid (NC, e+p, 318 Gev, Table 10, DESY-15-039).
- This analysis indicates that the best localization Δz , for a given x_{Bj} is achieved at the lowest Q^2 and therefore with a larger data set.
- At a next ZAF I'm going to present an update of $\Delta z vs(x_{Bj}, Q^2)$ with the ZEUS CN data and the Part II.
- Your comments and feedbacks are welcome!