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HERA for LHC physics

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INTERIM REPORT ON PDFs @ LHC: FORTHCOMING

SUMMARY

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- PDF UNCERTAINTIES:
WHERE DO THEY COME FROM?
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- SENSITIVITY TO α_s
 - CTEQ, MSTW & NNPDF
 - higher order corrections

DETERMINING PDFs

PARTON FITS...

DATA → PARTON DISTRIBUTIONS

$$\sigma_X(s, M_X^2) = \sum_{a,b} \int_{x_{\min}}^1 dx_1 dx_2 f_{a/h_1}(x_1) f_{b/h_2}(x_2) \hat{\sigma}_{q_a q_b \rightarrow X}(x_1 x_2 s, M_X^2)$$

...ARE GLOBAL FITS!

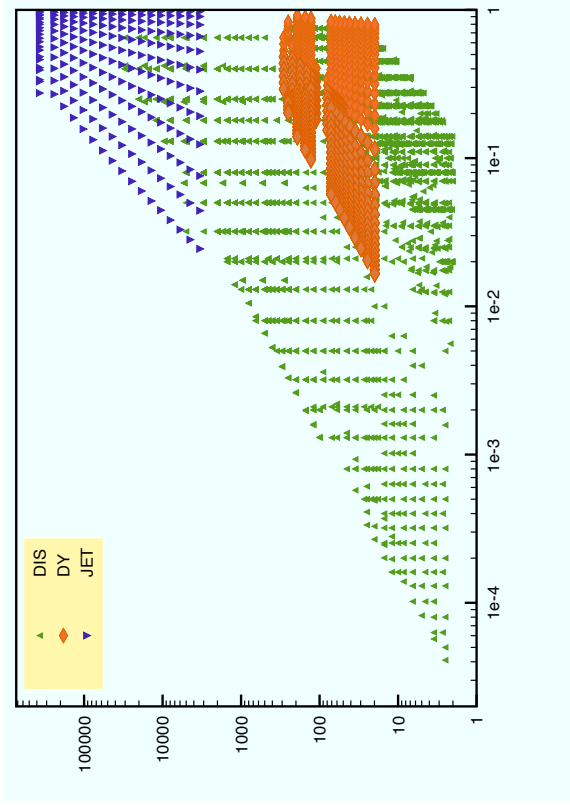
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LHC kinematics

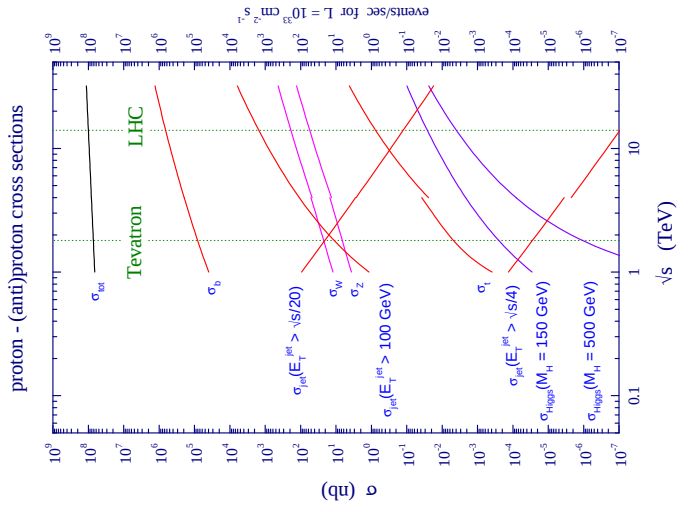
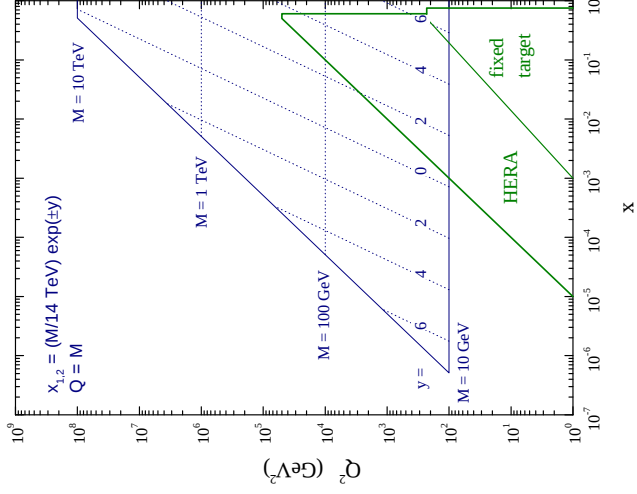
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CURRENT

NNPDF2.0 data set



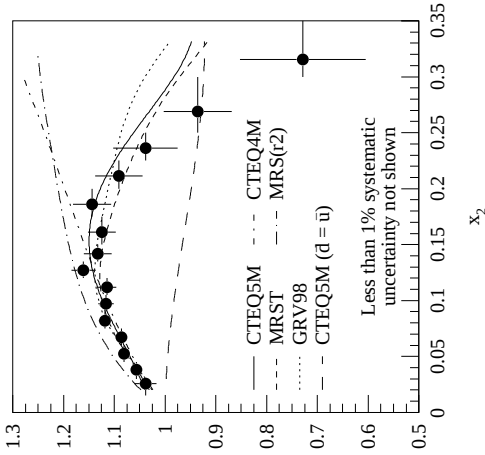
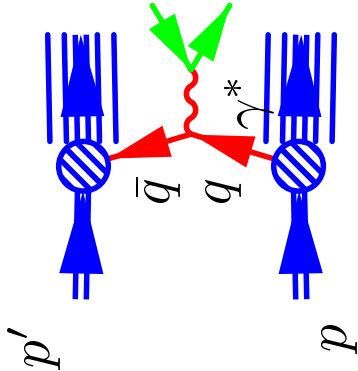
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- DIFFERENT DATA CONTROLS DIFFERENT COMBINATIONS OF PDFs
- CROSS-TALK DUE TO SUM RULES, GLOBAL OBSERVABLES (TOTAL XSECTIONS) &C

DIS ENTANGLING QUARKS FROM ANTIQUARKS

γ^* DIS ONLY MEASURES $q + \bar{q}$ COMBINATION!

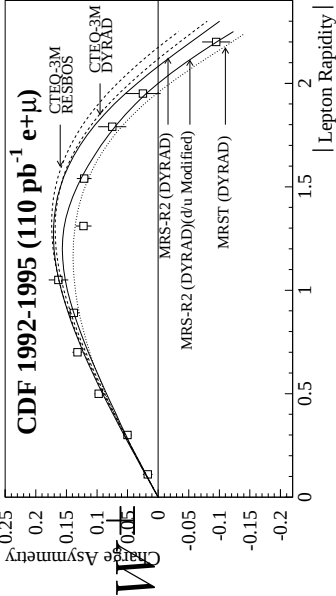
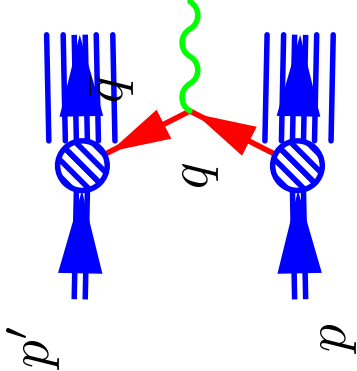


E866 (2001)

LIGHT ANTIQUARK ASYMMETRY

$$\frac{\sigma^{pn}}{\sigma^{pp}} \sim \left| \frac{\frac{4}{9} u^p \bar{d}^p + \frac{1}{9} d^p \bar{u}^p}{\frac{4}{9} u^p \bar{u}^p + \frac{1}{9} d^p \bar{d}^p} \right|_{\text{large } x} \approx \frac{\bar{d}}{\bar{u}}$$

$W^\pm$ ASYMMETRY



CDF (1998)

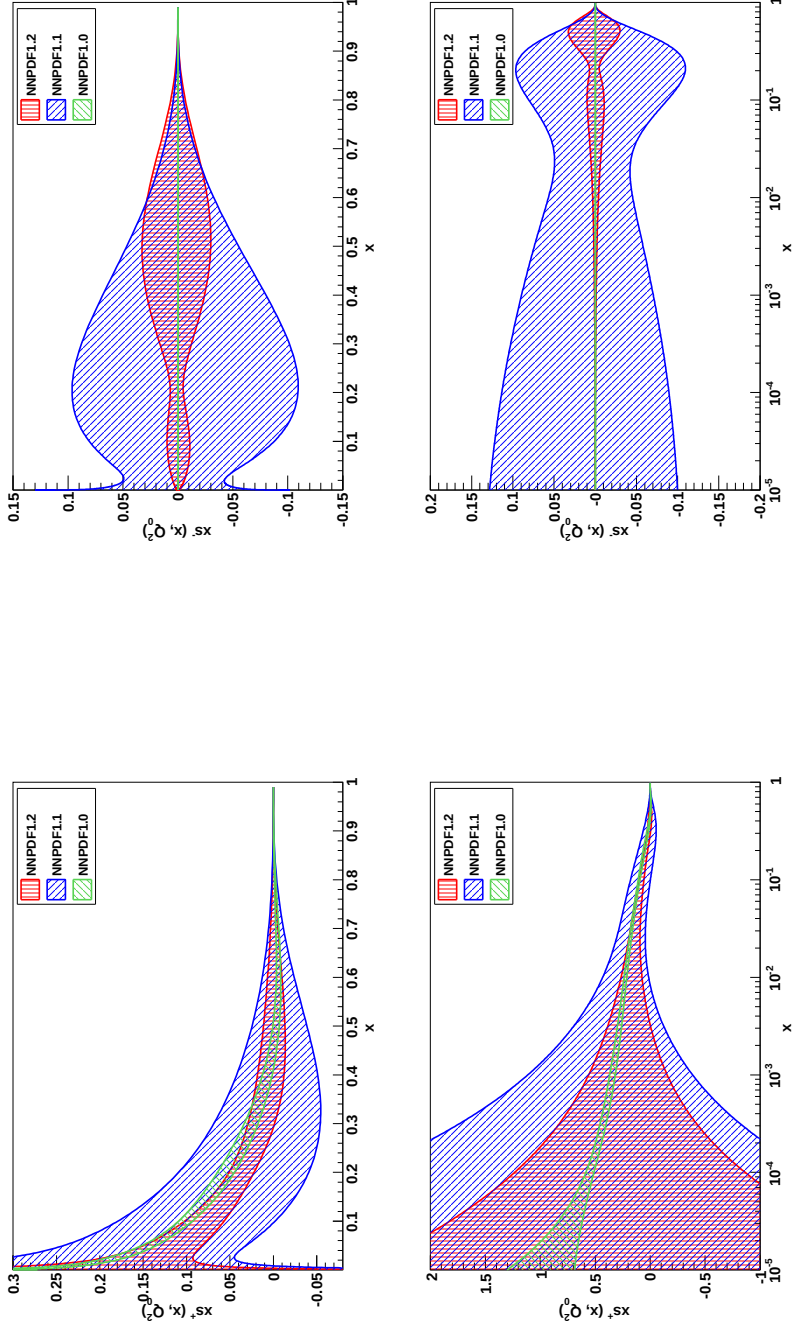
LIGHT QUARK ASYMMETRY

$$\frac{\sigma_{W^+}^{p\bar{p}}}{\sigma_{W^-}^{p\bar{p}}} \sim \frac{u^p d^p}{d^p u^p} \quad (q^p = \bar{q}^{\bar{p}})$$

DISENTANGLING STRANGENESS

- STRANGENESS ALMOST UNCONSTRAINED BY INCLUSIVE DIS DATA
NNPDF1.1: $s, \bar{s}$ (actually $s^\pm$) indep. parametrized, no dimuon data
- IN PARTON FITS UP TO 2009 $\rightarrow$ STRANGENESS FIXED BY ASSUMPTION
NNPDF1.0: $s(x, Q_0^2) = \bar{s}(x, Q_0^2)$, $s + \bar{s} = \frac{1}{2}(\bar{u} + \bar{d})$
- IN CURRENT PARTON FITS $\rightarrow$ STRANGENESS FIXED BY DIS DIMUON PRODUCTION $\nu + s \rightarrow c$
NNPDF1.2: $s, \bar{s}$ (actually $s^\pm$) indep. parametrized, dimuon data

STRANGE PDFS



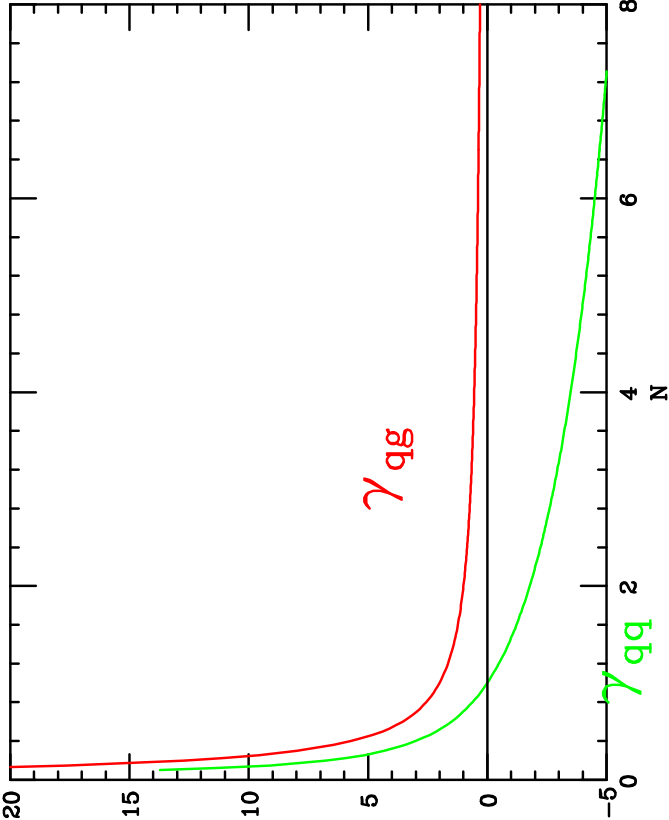
DETERMINING THE GLUON

SMALL x (SMALL N):

SINGLET SCALING VIOLATIONS (HERA)

$$\frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} \left[\gamma_{qq}(N) F_2^s + 2 n_f \gamma_{qg}(N) g(N, Q^2) \right] + O(\alpha_s^2)$$

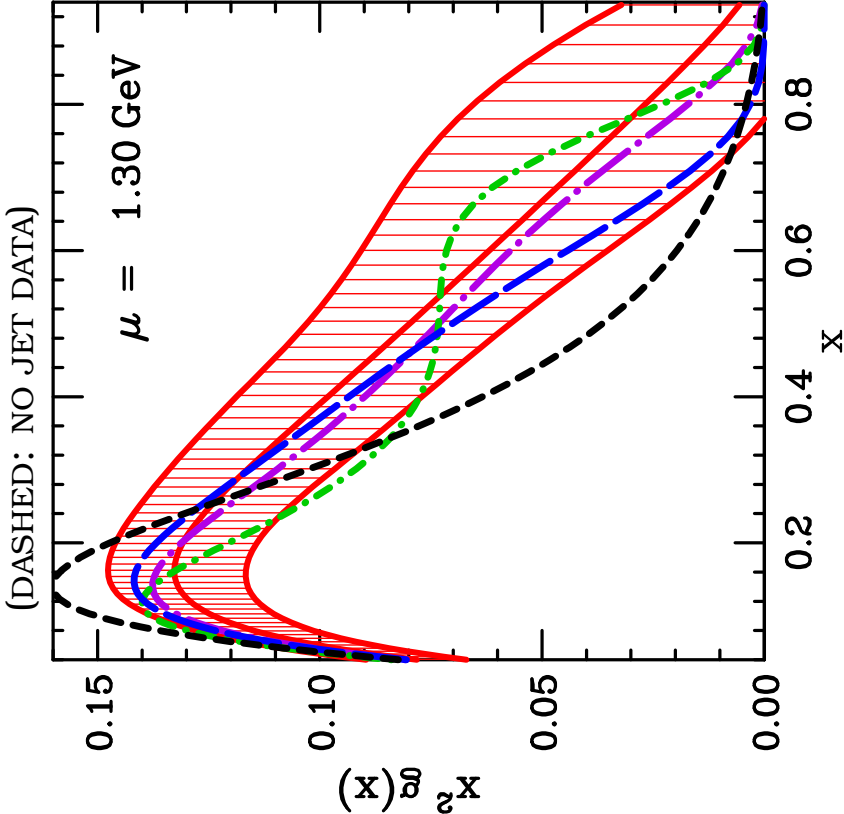
ANOMALOUS DIMENSIONS



LARGE x :

HIGH p_T JETS (TEVATRON)

CTEQ6.6 GLUON



PRESENT

- SMALL x GLUON & SINGLET $\Leftrightarrow$ PRECISE HERA DATA
- SMALL x FLAVOUR SEPARATION $\Leftrightarrow$ TEVATRON W ASYMMETRY DATA
- MEDIUM x FLAVOUR SEPARATION $\Leftrightarrow$ FIXED TARGET p/d DIS DATA, DRELL YAN, NEUTRINO INCLUSIVE
- STRANGENESS $\Leftrightarrow$ NEUTRINO DIMUON
- LARGE x GLUON $\Leftrightarrow$ TEVATRON JETS

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FUTURE

- W ASYMMETRY $\Leftrightarrow$ FULL FLAVOUR SEPARATION AT MEDIUM/SMALL x
- HIGH p_T JETS $\Leftrightarrow$ PRECISE GLUON AT INTERMEDIATE x
- HQ PRODUCTION $\Leftrightarrow$ INDIVIDUAL QUARK FLAVOURS & GLUON AT SMALL x
- HIGGS PRODUCTION $\Leftrightarrow$ MEDIUM x GLUON

PDF UNCERTAINTIES: HOW ARE THEY DETERMINED?

THE “STANDARD” APPROACH (MSTW, CTEQ):

FUNCTIONAL PARTON FITTING

- CHOOSE A FIXED FUNCTIONAL FORM:

– **MSTW: 20** PARMS.

$$xq(x, Q_0^2) = A(1-x)^\eta (1+\epsilon x^{0.5} + \gamma x) x^\delta, \text{ (5 indep. fns.)}; x[\bar{u}-\bar{d}] (x, Q_0^2) = A(1-x)^\eta (1+\gamma x + \delta x^2) x^\delta;$$

$$x[s-\bar{s}](x, Q_0^2) = A_- (1-x)^{\eta_s} x^{\delta-} (1-x/x_0); xg(x, Q_0^2) = A_g (1-x)^{\eta_g} (1+\epsilon_g x^{0.5} + \gamma_g x) x^{\delta_g} + A_{g'} (1-x)$$

– **CTEQ6: 22** PARMS.

$$x f(x, Q_0) = A_0 x^{A_1} (1-x)^{A_2} e^{A_3 x} (1+e^{A_4} x)^{A_5}, \quad (7 \text{ indep. functions})$$

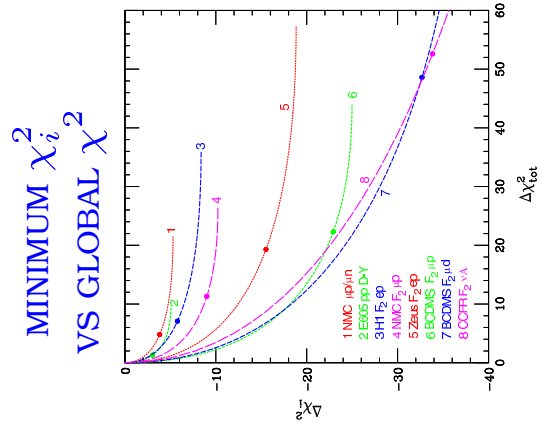
– BASIS FUNCTIONS: $u_v \equiv u - \bar{u}$, $d_v \equiv d - \bar{d}$, $\bar{u} - \bar{d}$ (MSTW) OR $\bar{u}/\bar{d}$ (CTEQ),

$$s^\pm \equiv s \pm \bar{s}, g.$$

- EVOLVE TO DESIRED SCALE & COMPUTE PHYSICAL OBSERVABLES
- DETERMINE BEST-FIT VALUES OF PARAMETERS
- DETERMINE ERROR BY PROPAGATION OF ERROR ON PARMS (‘HESSIAN METHOD’) OR BY PARM. SCANS (‘LAGRANGE MULTIPLIER METHOD’)

WHAT IS A ONE- σ UNCERTAINTY?

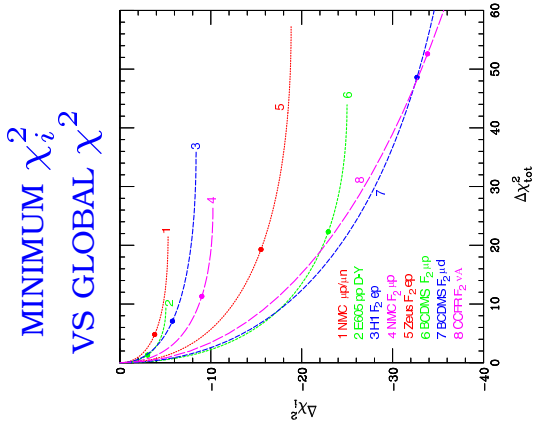
- STANDARD $\Delta\chi^2 = 1$ BANDS TOO NARROW $\Rightarrow$ LARGE DISCREPANCIES FOR INDIVIDUAL EXPERIMENTS



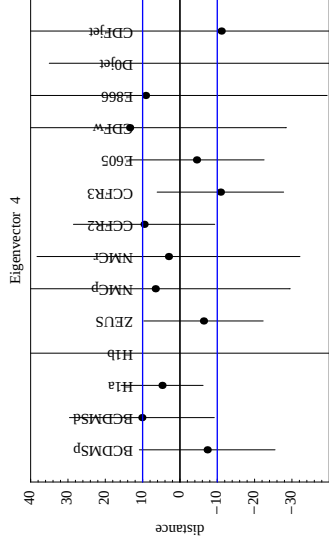
Collins, Pumplin
2001

WHAT IS A ONE- σ UNCERTAINTY? CTEQ TOLERANCE CRITERION &

- STANDARD $\Delta\chi^2 = 1$ BANDS TOO NARROW $\Rightarrow$ LARGE DISCREPANCIES FOR INDIVIDUAL EXPERIMENTS
- TOLERANCE $\Rightarrow$ ENVELOPE OF UNCERTAINTIES OF EXPERIMENTS



CTEQ TOLERANCE PLOT FOR 4TH EIGENVEC.

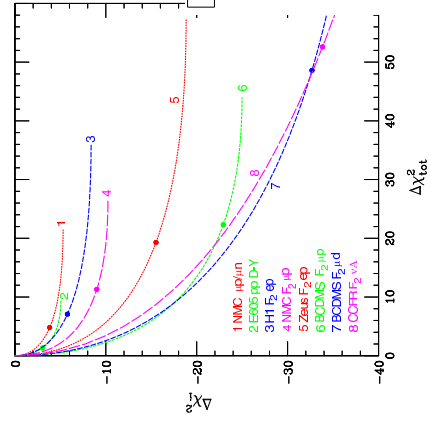
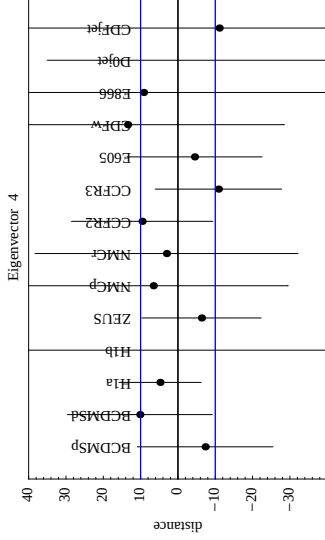
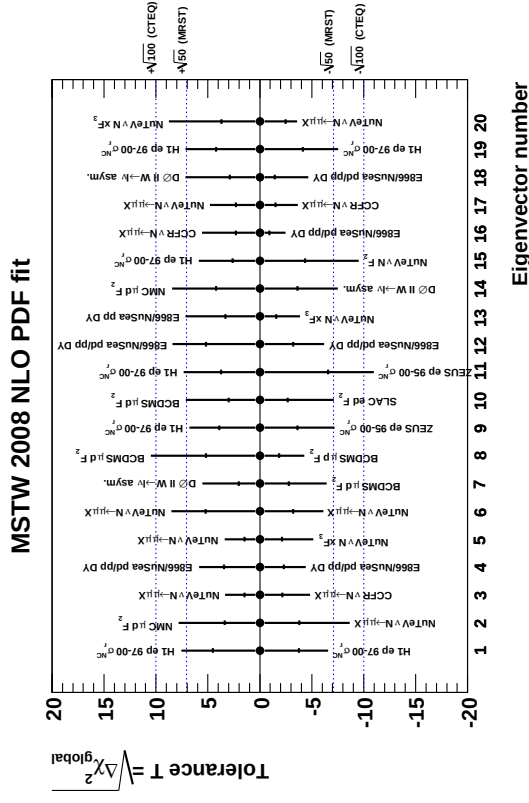
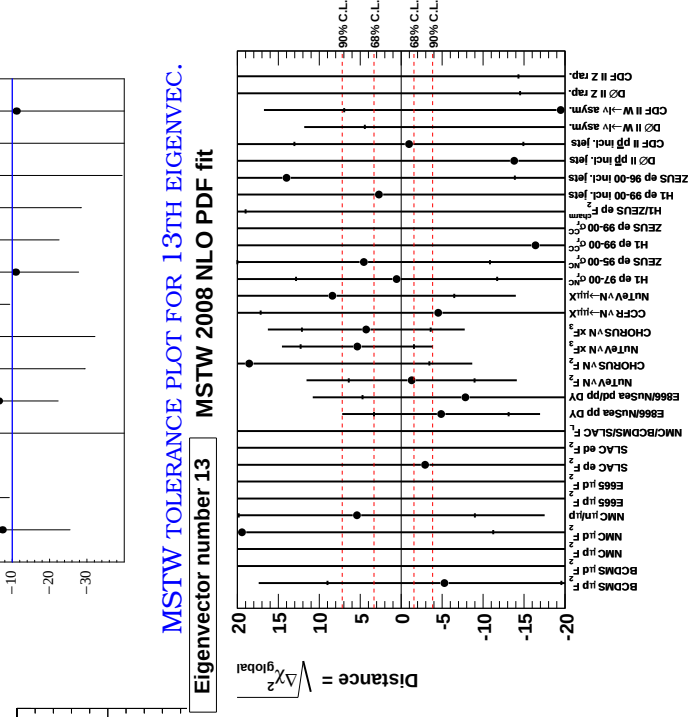


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WHAT IS A ONE- σ UNCERTAINTY? CTEQ TOLERANCE CRITERION & MSTW DYNAMICAL TOLERANCE

- **TOLERANCE** $\Rightarrow$ **ENVELOPE OF UNCERTAINTIES OF EXPERIMENTS**

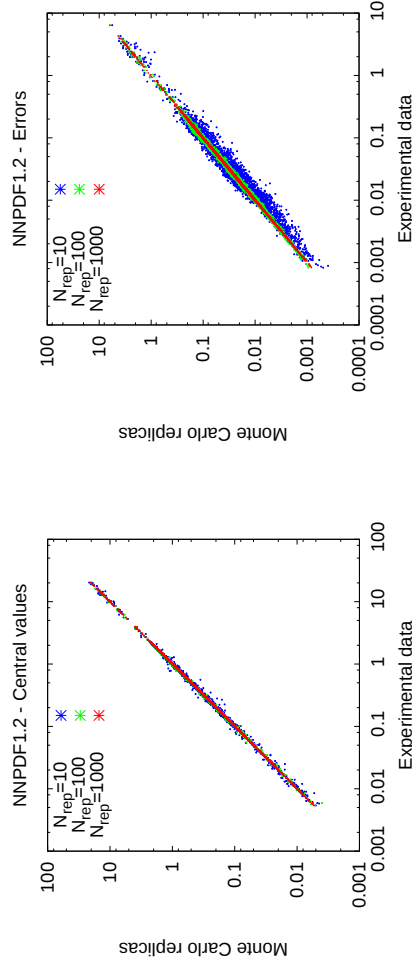
- **DYNAMICAL** $\Rightarrow$ SEPARATELY DETERMINED FOR EACH HESSIAN EIGENVECTOR

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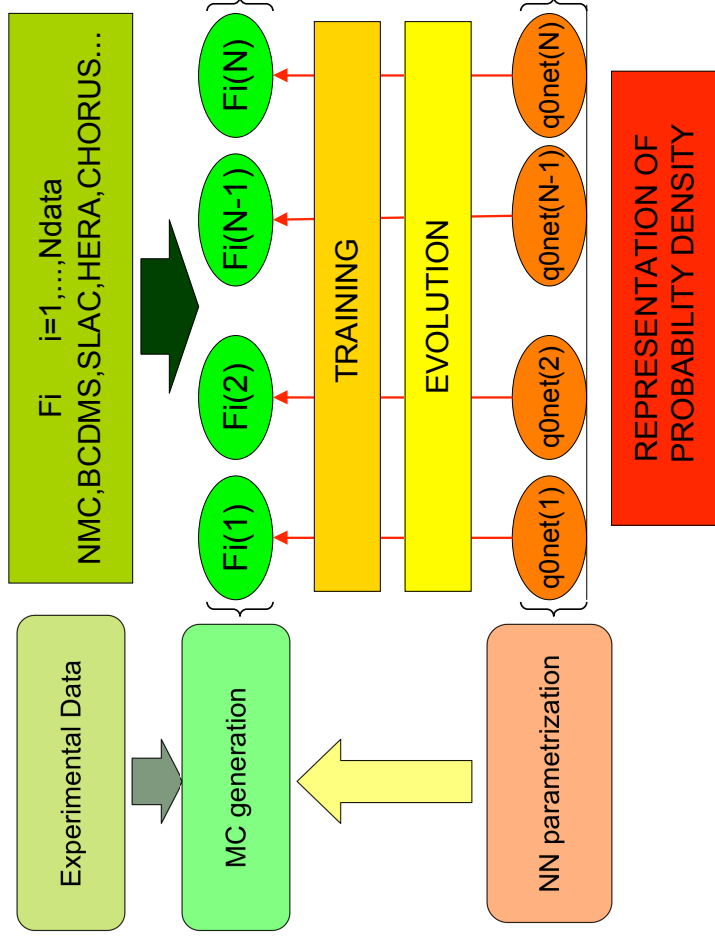
THE NNPDF APPROACH: THE NEURAL MONTE CARLO

BASIC IDEA: MONTE CARLO SAMPLING
OF THE PROBABILITY MEASURE IN THE (FUNCTION) SPACE OF PDFs

- START FROM MONTE CARLO SAMPLING OF DATA SPACE
- SPACE OF FUNCTIONS HUGE
5 BINS FOR 10 PTS $\times$ 7 FCTNS $\rightarrow 5^{70} \sim 10^{49}$ BINS
- IMPORTANCE SAMPLING: DATA TELL US WHICH BINS ARE POPULATED
replica averages vs. central values
replica standard dev. vs. uncertainties

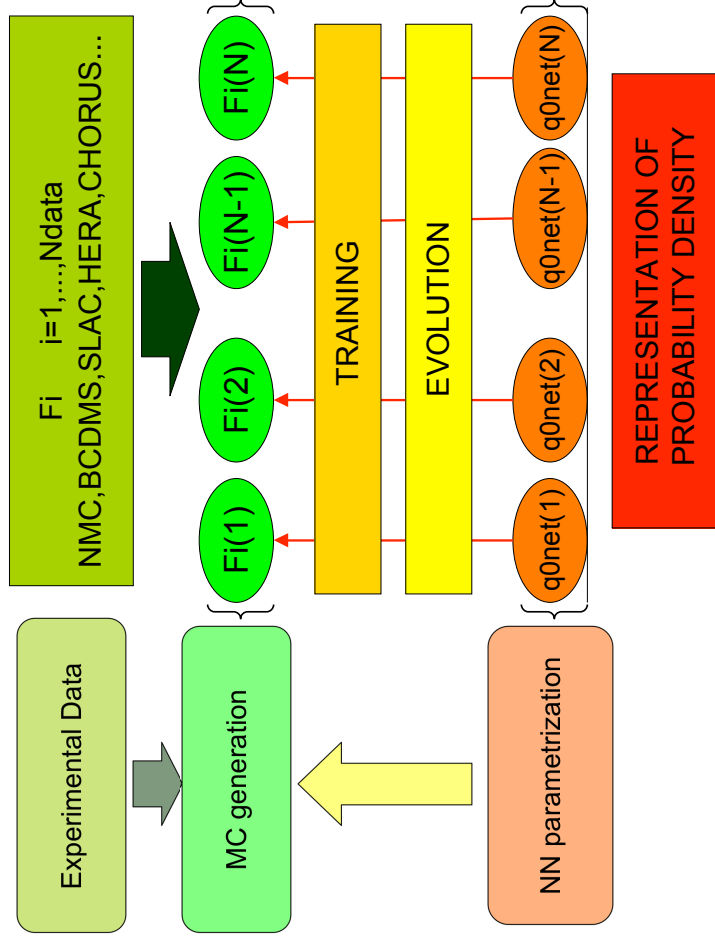


10 REPLICAS ENOUGH FOR CENTRAL VALS, 100 FOR
UNCERTAINTIES, 1000 FOR CORRELNS



DATA MONTE CARLO $\Rightarrow$ PDF MONTE CARLO NEURAL NETWORK PARAM+ CROSS-VALIDATION METHOD

- EACH PDF $\leftrightarrow$ NEURAL NETWORK PARAMETRIZED BY 37 PARAMETERS
- **NNPDF1.2: $37 \otimes 7 = 259$ PARMS**
(RECALL MSTW, CTEQ $\rightarrow$ 20 FREE PARAMETERS)
“INFINITE” NUMBER OF PARAMETERS $\Rightarrow$ CAN REPRESENT ANY FUNCTION
- COMPLEX SHAPES (LARGE NO.OF PARAMETERS) REQUIRE LONGER FITTING
- FIT STOPS WHEN QUALITY OF FIT TO RANDOMLY SELECTED “VALIDATION” DATA (NOT FITTED) STOPS IMPROVING
- CAN OBTAIN A FIT WITH χ^2 LOWER THAN BEST FIT (“OVERLEARNING”)

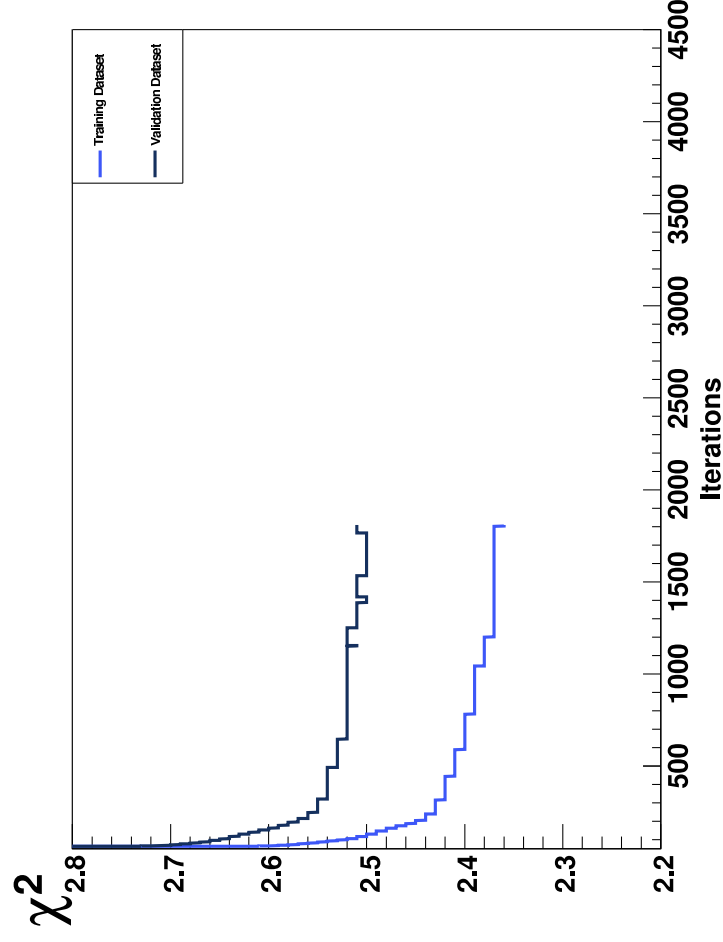


DATA MONTE CARLO $\Rightarrow$ PDF MONTE CARLO CROSS-VALIDATION

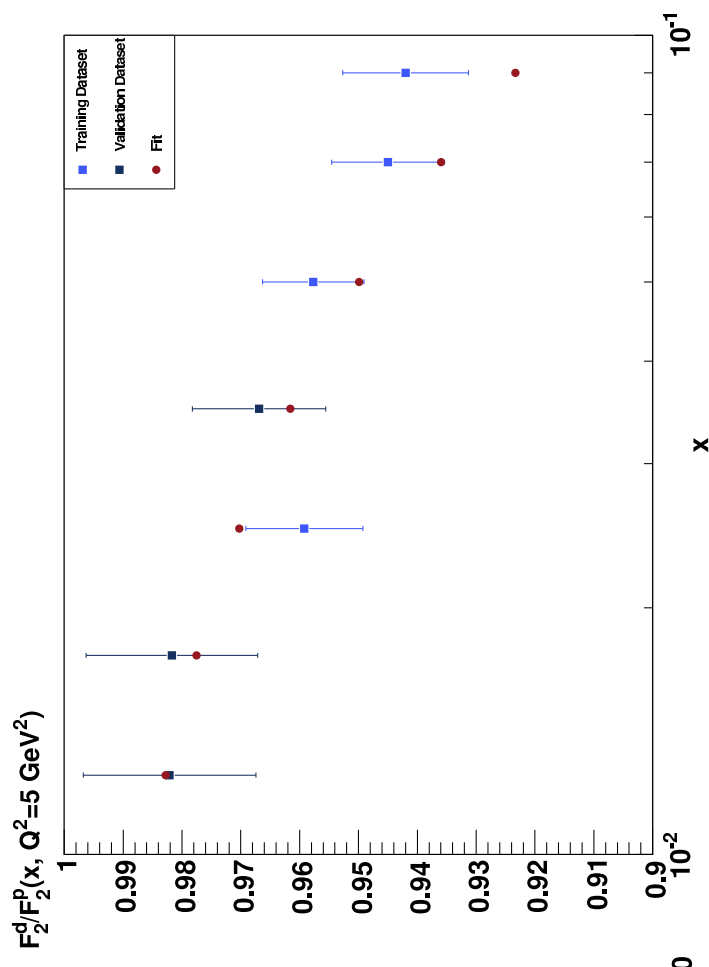
- REPLICAS ARE FITTED TO A DATA SUBSET
- A DIFFERENT SUBSET OF DATA USE FOR EACH REPLICA
- OPTIMAL FIT WHEN FIT TO VALIDATION (CONTROL) DATA STOPS IMPROVING
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OPTIMAL FITTING

χ^2



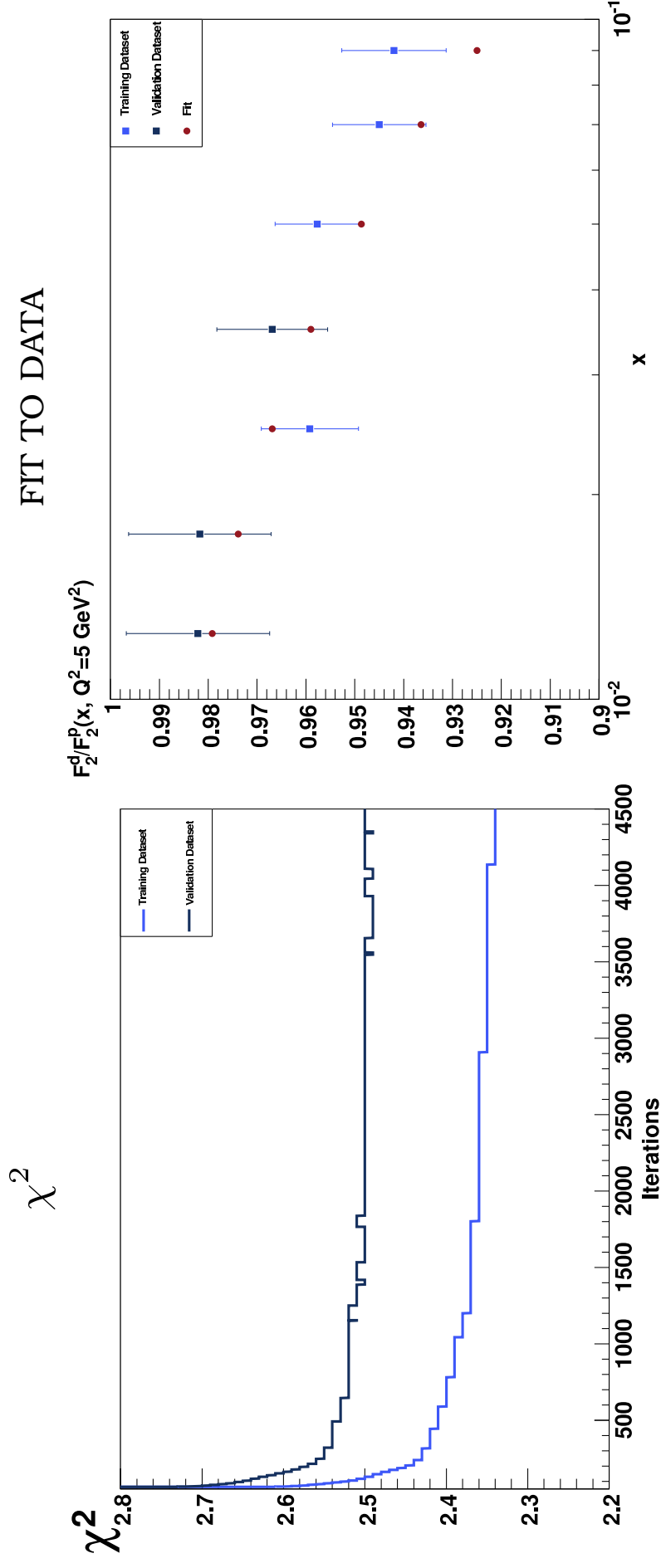
FIT TO DATA



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- A DIFFERENT SUBSET OF DATA USE FOR EACH REPLICA
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- THE BEST FIT IS NOT AT THE MINIMUM OF THE χ^2

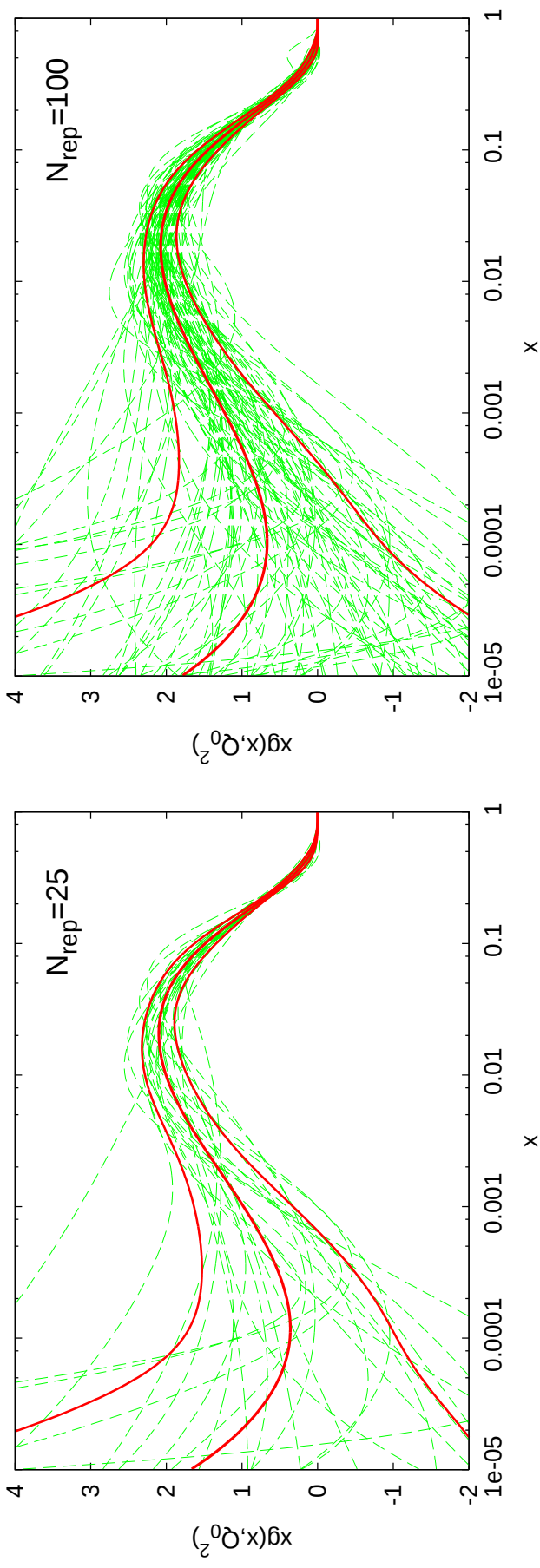
OVERFITTING



WHAT IS A ONE- σ UNCERTAINTY?

A: THE CENTRAL 68% OF THE MC DISTRIBUTION OF PDFs

Example: the gluon distribution in the NNPDF1.0 set



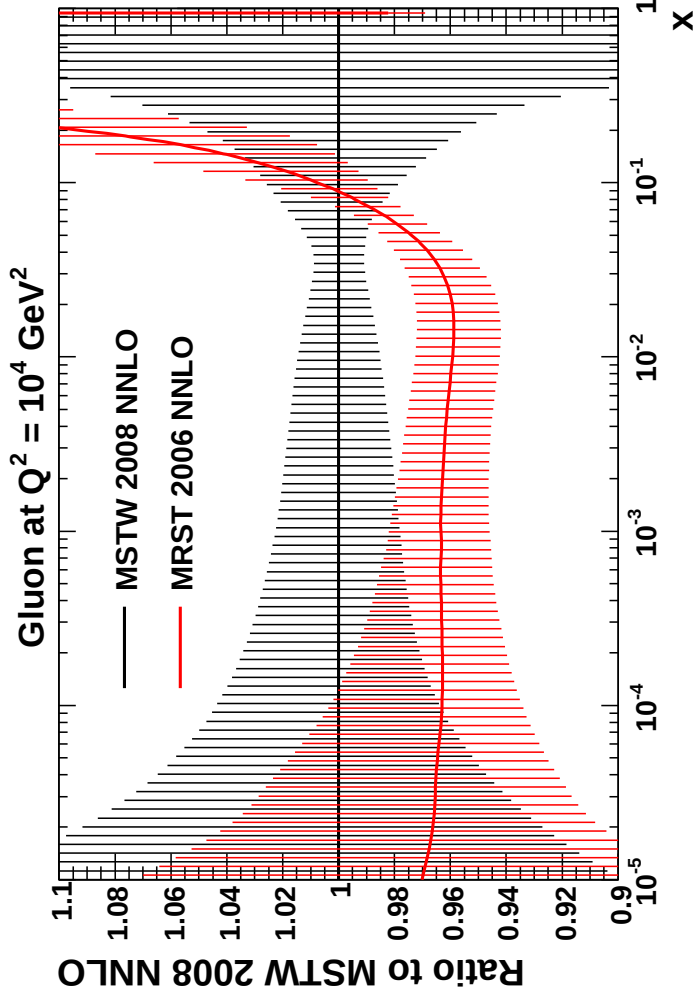
- ENSEMBLE OF REPLICAS $\leftrightarrow$ PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION OF PDFs
- EXPECTED CENTRAL VALUE $\leftrightarrow$ MEAN; UNCERTAINTY $\leftrightarrow$ STANDARD DEVIATION
- ANY FEATURES OF DISTRIBUTION CAN BE DETERMINED (C.L. INTERVALS, CORRELATIONS...)

PDF UNCERTAINTIES: WHERE DO THEY COME FROM?

WHAT DETERMINES PDF UNCERTAINTIES?

UNCERTAINTIES IN MSTW/CTEQ FITS OFTEN GO UP WHEN DATA ARE ADDED,
BECAUSE OF THE NEED TO ADD PARAMETERS

Smaller high- x gluon (and slightly smaller α_S) results in larger small- x gluon – now shown at NNLO.



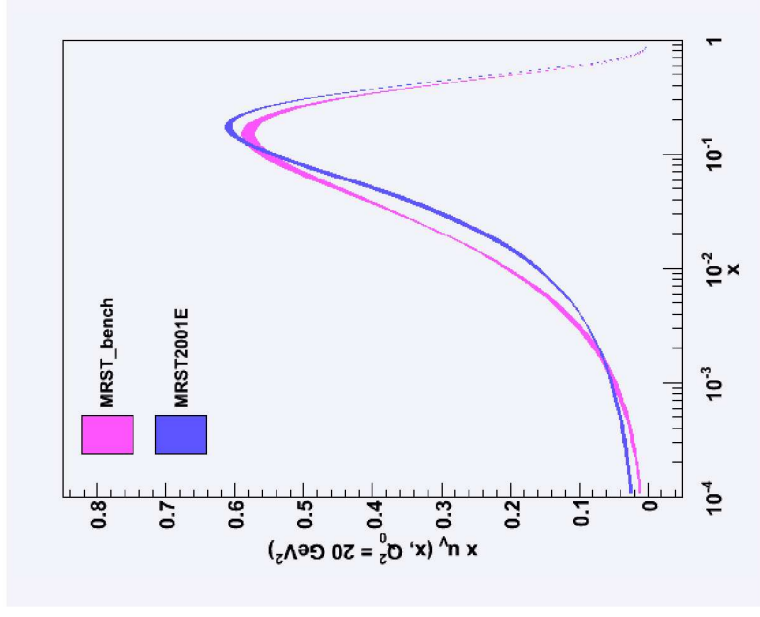
R. THORNE, HERALHC2008

Larger small- x uncertainty due to extrat free parameter.

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THE PROBLEM OF BENCHMARK FITS (HERALHC 2005-2008)

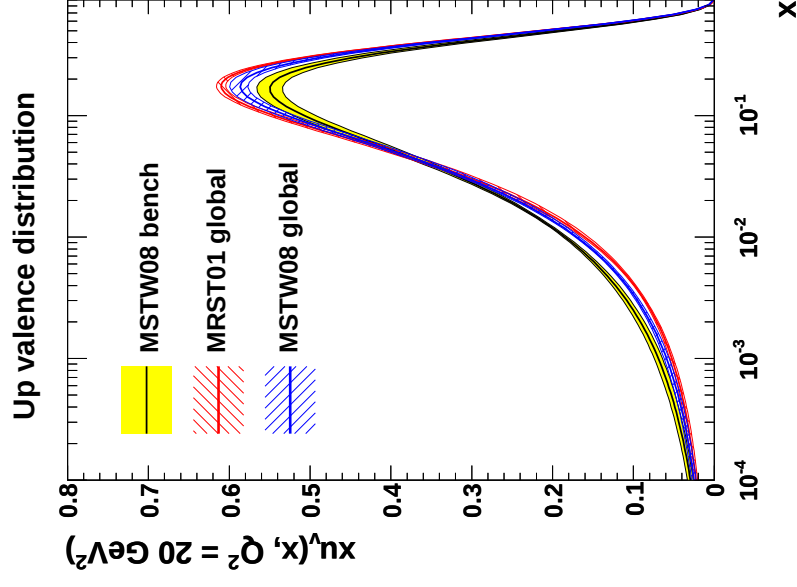
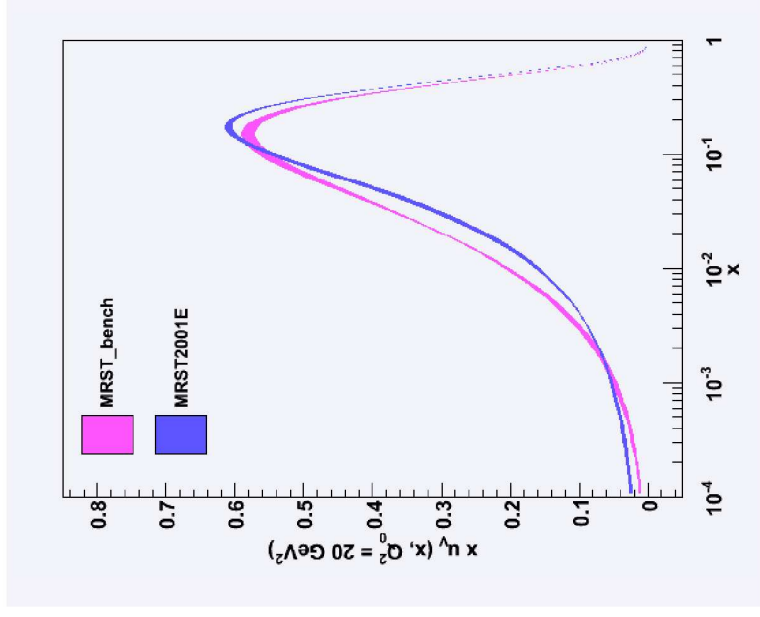
- PERFORM A MRST (MRSTBENCH) FIT TO A CONSISTENT SUBSET OF DATA, USE $\Delta\chi^2 = 1$
⇒ RESULTS NOT CONSISTENT, UNCERTAINTY DOES NOT GROW AS DATASET DECREASES



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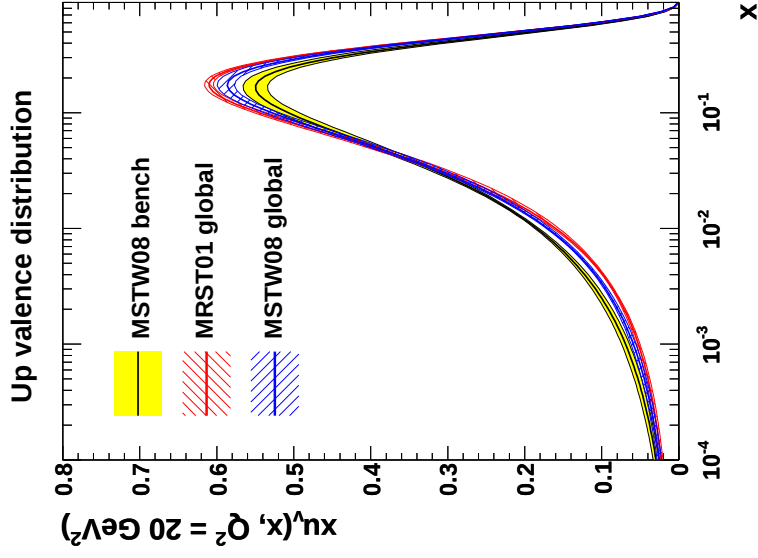
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- ...BUT MRST WAS DONE WITH TOLERANCE 50: REPEAT WITH DYNAMICAL TOLERANCE (MSTW08BENCH)
- IMPROVEMENT, BUT PROBLEM NOT SOLVED
⇒ MUST TUNE PARAMETRIZATION AND STATISTICAL TREATMENT TO DATASET



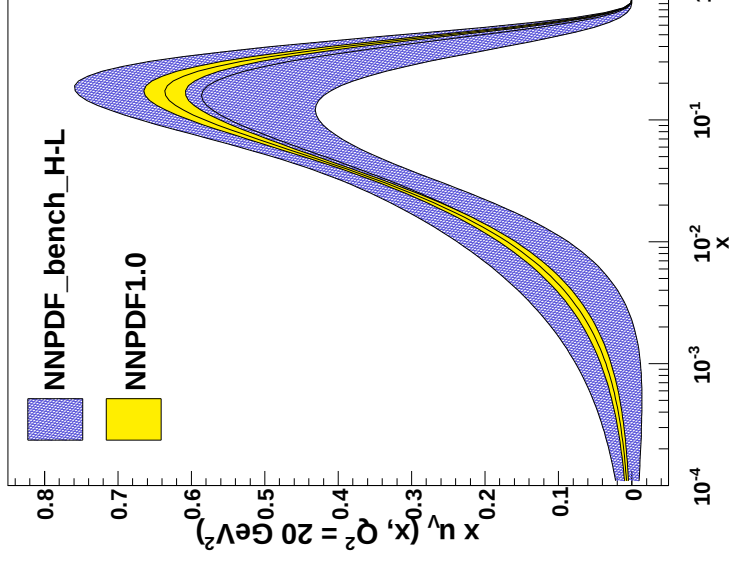
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THE NNPDF SOLUTION (HERALHC 2008)

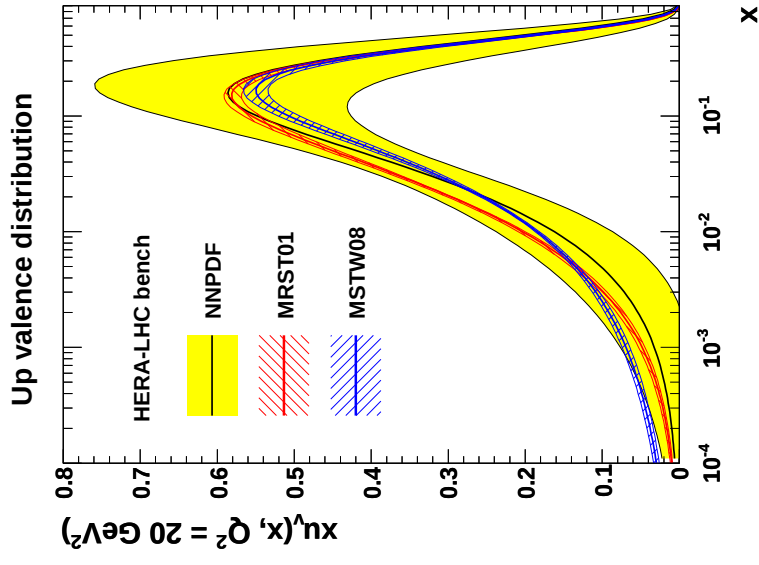
MRST/MSTW: BENCH VS REF



NNPDF: BENCH VS REF



NNPDF BENCH VS MRST/MSTW
BENCH



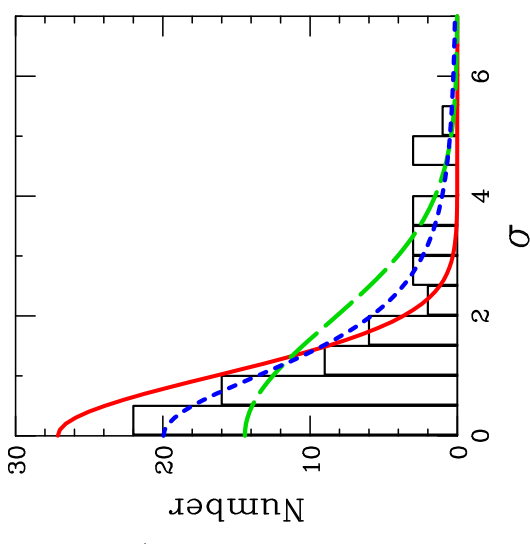
- SINGLE PARAMETRIZATION AND STAT. TREATMENT CAN ACCOMMODATE DIFFERENT DATASETS
- IMPACT OF DATA CAN BE STUDIED INDEPENDENT OF THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

WHERE IS THE CTEQ/MSTW UNCERTAINTY COMING FROM?

WHY DOES ONE NEED LARGE TOLERANCES?

DATA INCOMPATIBILITY(Pumplin, 2009)

- CAN “REDIAGONALIZE”: DIAGONALIZE SIMULTANEOUSLY χ^2 FOR TOTAL AND i -TH EXPT $\Rightarrow$ COMPATIBILITY OF EACH EXPT WITH GLOBAL FIT
- STUDY DISTRIBUTION OF DISCREPANCIES
- APPROX. GAUSSIAN WITH UNCERTAINTIES RESCALED BY 2 $\Rightarrow \Delta\chi^2 = 4$ ($T \approx 10$ FOR 90%C.L.)

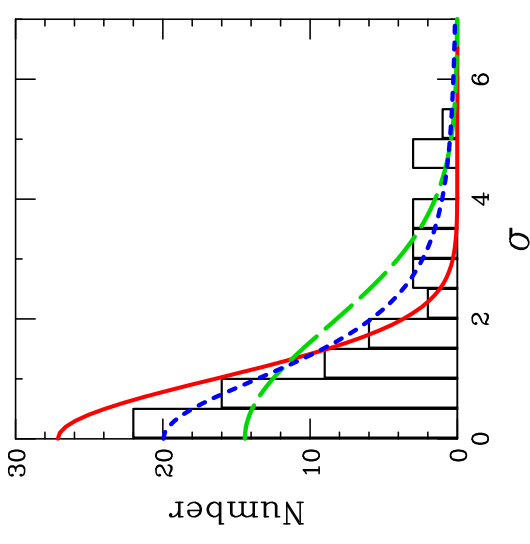


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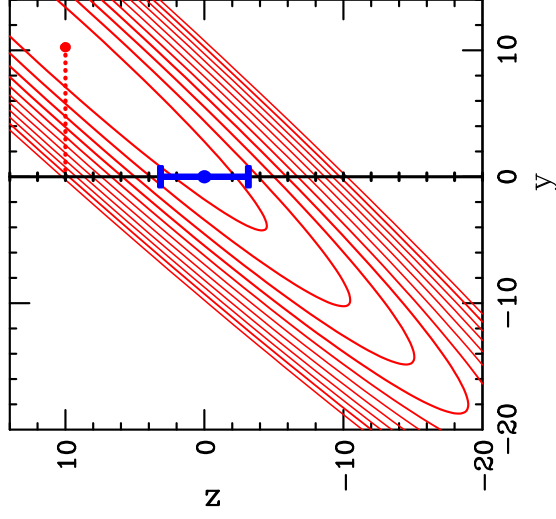
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FUNCTIONAL BIAS (Pumplin, 2009)

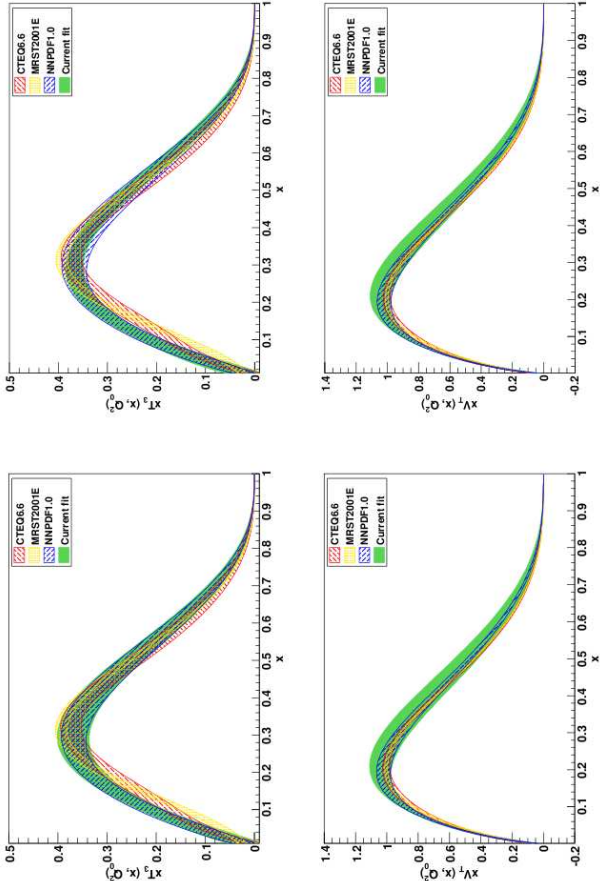


- IF PARM. NOT GENERAL ENOUGH, GLOBAL MIN. IS NOT TRUE MIN.
- ONE- σ VARIATION ABOUT FAKE MIN CORRESP. TO LARGE χ^2 VARIATION, GREATER WITH ECCENTRICITY OF ERROR ELLIPSE
- $\Delta\chi^2 = 100$ OBTAINS IF FAKE MIN. BY 4 UNITS ABOVE TRUE MIN. AND ECCENTRICITIES UP TO 0.1 ALLOWED

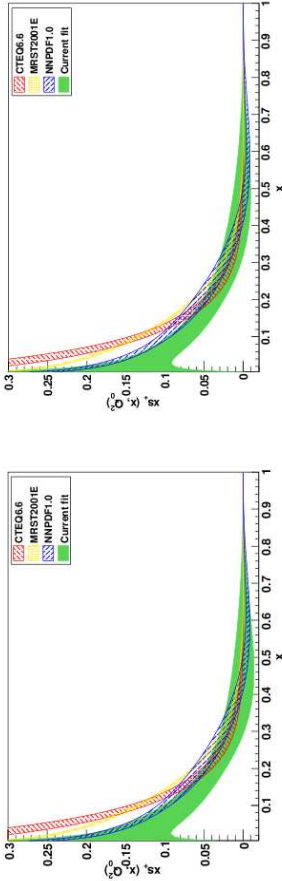
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FIT TO REPLICAS VS RANDOM SUBSET OF CENTRAL VAL.S

LIGHT QUARKS



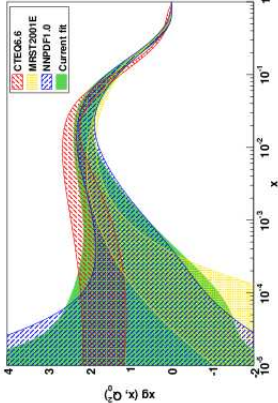
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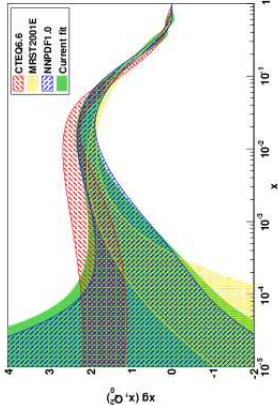
	REPLICAS	CENTRAL V.
χ^2	1.32	1.32
$\langle \chi^2 \rangle_{\text{rep}}$	2.79 ± 0.24	1.65 ± 0.20
$\langle \sigma_{\text{dat}} \rangle$	0.039	0.035

GLUE

replicas



c. vals.



- QUALITY OF FIT &PDFs UNCHANGED
- REDUCTION OF $\langle \chi^2 \rangle_{\text{rep}}$ BY FACTOR $\sim 2 \Rightarrow$ FLUCTUATIONS ABOUT TRUE VALUE HALVED
- UNCERTAINTY ON DATA ONLY REDUCED BY 1.1 $\Rightarrow$ EXPT. UNCERTAINTIES UNDERESTIMATED OR UNDERLYING INCOMPRESSIBLE UNCERTAINTY

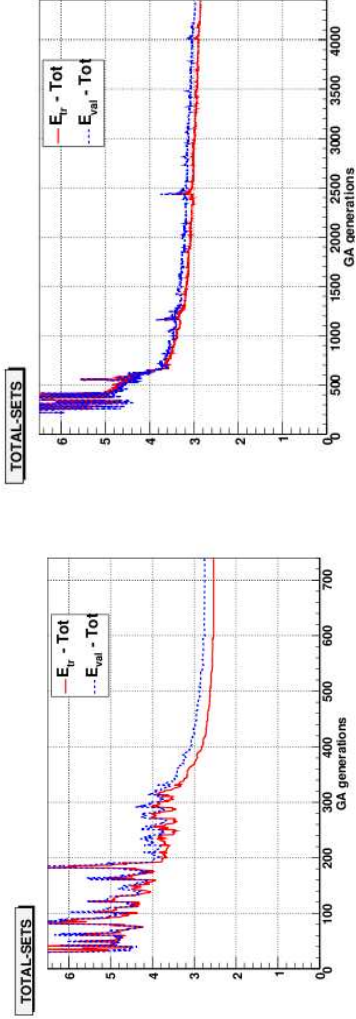
WHERE IS THE NNPDF UNCERTAINTY COMING FROM?

CENTRAL VALUES: **VARYING PARTITION** VS **FIXED PARTITION**

	REPLICAS	CENTRAL VALUE	FIXED PARTITION
χ^2	1.32	1.32	~ 1.3
$\langle \chi^2 \rangle_{\text{rep}}$	2.79 ± 0.24	1.65 ± 0.20	$\sim 1.6 \pm 0.2$
$\langle \sigma^{\text{dat}} \rangle$	0.039	0.035	~ 0.03

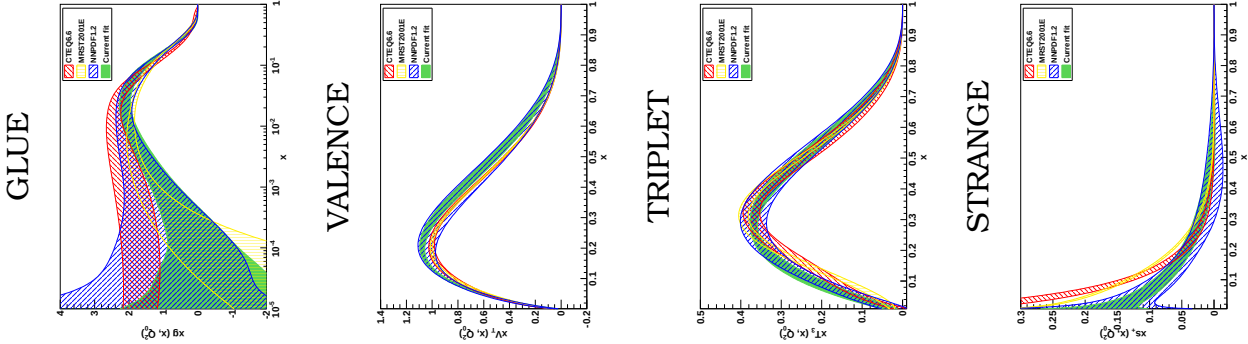
fixed partition results obtained averaging over 5 different choices of partition (100 replicas each); more partitions needed for accurate results

- **QUALITY OF FIT UNCHANGED**
- $\langle \chi^2 \rangle_{\text{rep}}$ **UNCHANGED** $\Rightarrow$ **CENTRAL FIT UNCHANGED**
- **UNCERTAINTY ON PREDICTION (I.E. ON PDFs) REDUCED**



FUNCTIONAL UNCERTAINTY

- **MORE THAN HALF OF UNCERTAINTY DUE TO “FUNCTIONAL FORM”**: $\langle \sigma^{\text{dat}} \rangle \approx 0.3$ SMALLER FOR HERA DATA
- **REMAINING UNCERTAINTY ROUGHLY SCALES WITH DATA UNCERTAINTY**: $\langle \sigma^{\text{dat}} \rangle \approx 0.005$ CENT.; $\langle \sigma^{\text{dat}} \rangle \approx 0.009$ REP.



SENSITIVITY TO α_s

DO PDFs DEPEND ON α_s ?

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NNPDF: NO

- DETERMINE DISTANCE d IN UNITS OF STANDARD DEVIATION OF THE MEAN

$$s = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N_{\text{rep}}}} \text{ FOR EACH PDF} \Rightarrow$$

TWO DIFFERENT SUBSETS OF REPLICAS OF SAME FIT $\langle d \rangle = 1$

- DISTANCE BETWEEN PDFS WITH $\Delta\alpha_s = \pm 0.002$ COMPATIBLE WITH STATISTICAL FLUCTUATIONS

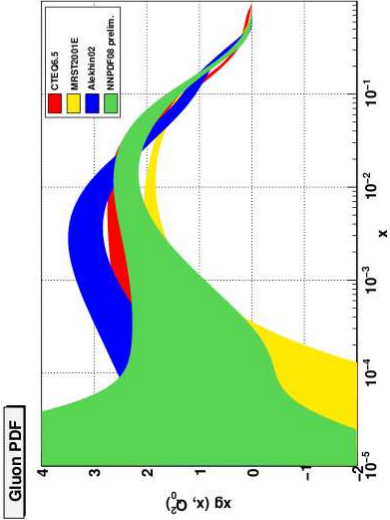
for all PDFs, central values and uncertainties, data and extrapolation regions

- RECOMMENDED: TO ESTIMATE UNCERTAINTY, VARY α_s WITH PDFs FIXED AT STANDARD NNPDF SET

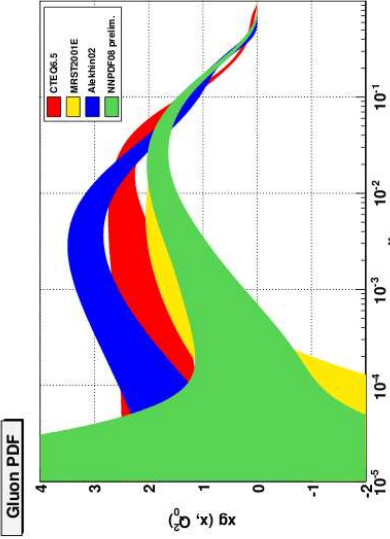
$\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$	0.117	0.121
χ^2	1.35	1.33
	Data	Extra
$\Sigma(x, Q_0^2)$		
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	1.72	1.05
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	1.05	1.03
$g(x, Q_0^2)$		
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	4.68	2.29
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	1.00	0.91
$T_3(x, Q_0^2)$		
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	0.71	0.71
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	0.93	0.75
$V(x, Q_0^2)$		
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	0.92	0.74
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	0.94	0.71
$\Delta_S(x, Q_0^2)$		
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	0.74	0.58
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	0.67	0.83

NNPDF GLUON

$$\alpha_s = 0.117$$



$$\alpha_s = 0.121$$



DO PDFs DEPEND ON α_s ?

CTEQ: MILDLY

- CTEQ CENTRAL PARTON REDONE FIT WITH α_s FIXED

CTEQ6 GLUON

$$\alpha_s = 0.110 \div 0.126$$

- MOST PDFs VARY LITTLE, GLUON MOST SENSITIVE

- SENSITIVITY OF GLOBAL FIT ON α_s WEAK,

IF $\Delta\chi^2 = 100$ FOR 90% C.L., TO ONE σ $\Delta\alpha_s = 0.005$

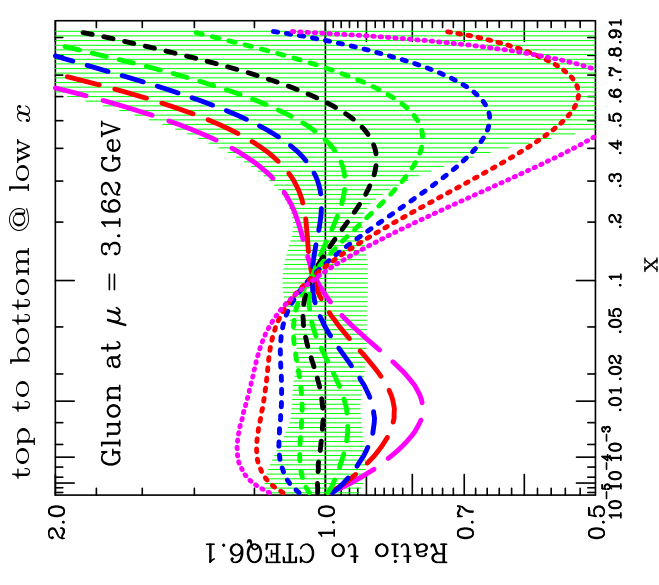
- **RECOMMENDED:** TO ESTIMATE UNCERTAINTIES, VARY α_s

WITH THE RESPECTIVE CENTRAL PDF SETS, THEN ADD UNCERTAINTY TO PDF UNCERTAINTY

$\Rightarrow$ CORRELATION OF α_s TO PDF UNCERTAINTY NEGLI-

GIBLE, BUT CORRELN. TO CENTRAL VALUE THUS AC-

COUNTED FOR



DO PDFs DEPEND ON α_s ?

MSTW: STRONGLY

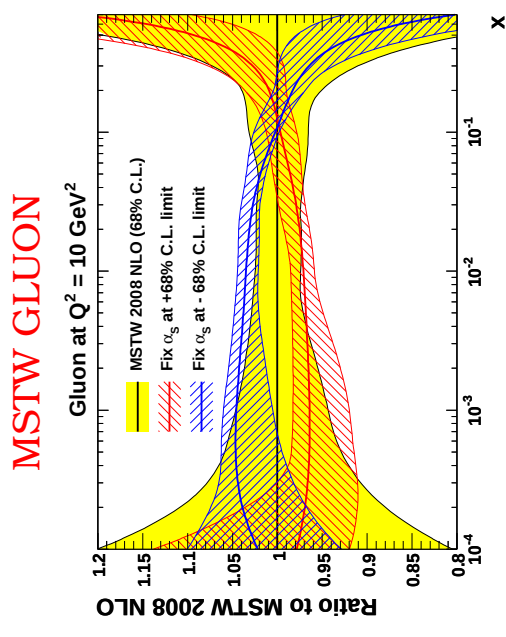
- α_s DETERMINED USING DYNAMICAL TOLERANCE CRITERION

- STRONG SENSITIVITY, UNCERTAINTY COMPETITIVE WITH CURRENT GLOBAL AVERAGE

- RECOMMENDED: TO ESTIMATE UNCERTAINTY, TAKE ENVELOPE OF PDF ERROR BANDS WITH

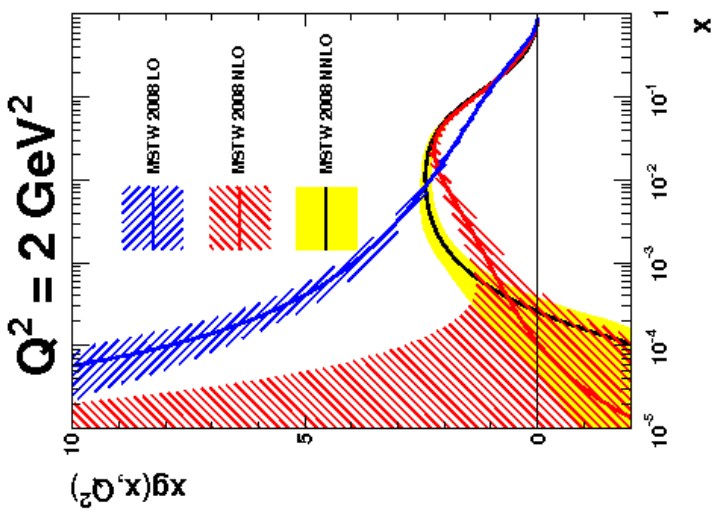
FIVE α_s VALUES

$\Rightarrow$ CORRELATIONS OF α_s TO BOTH PDF UNCERTAINTY & AND CENTRAL VALUE RELEVANT



NNLO PDFs?

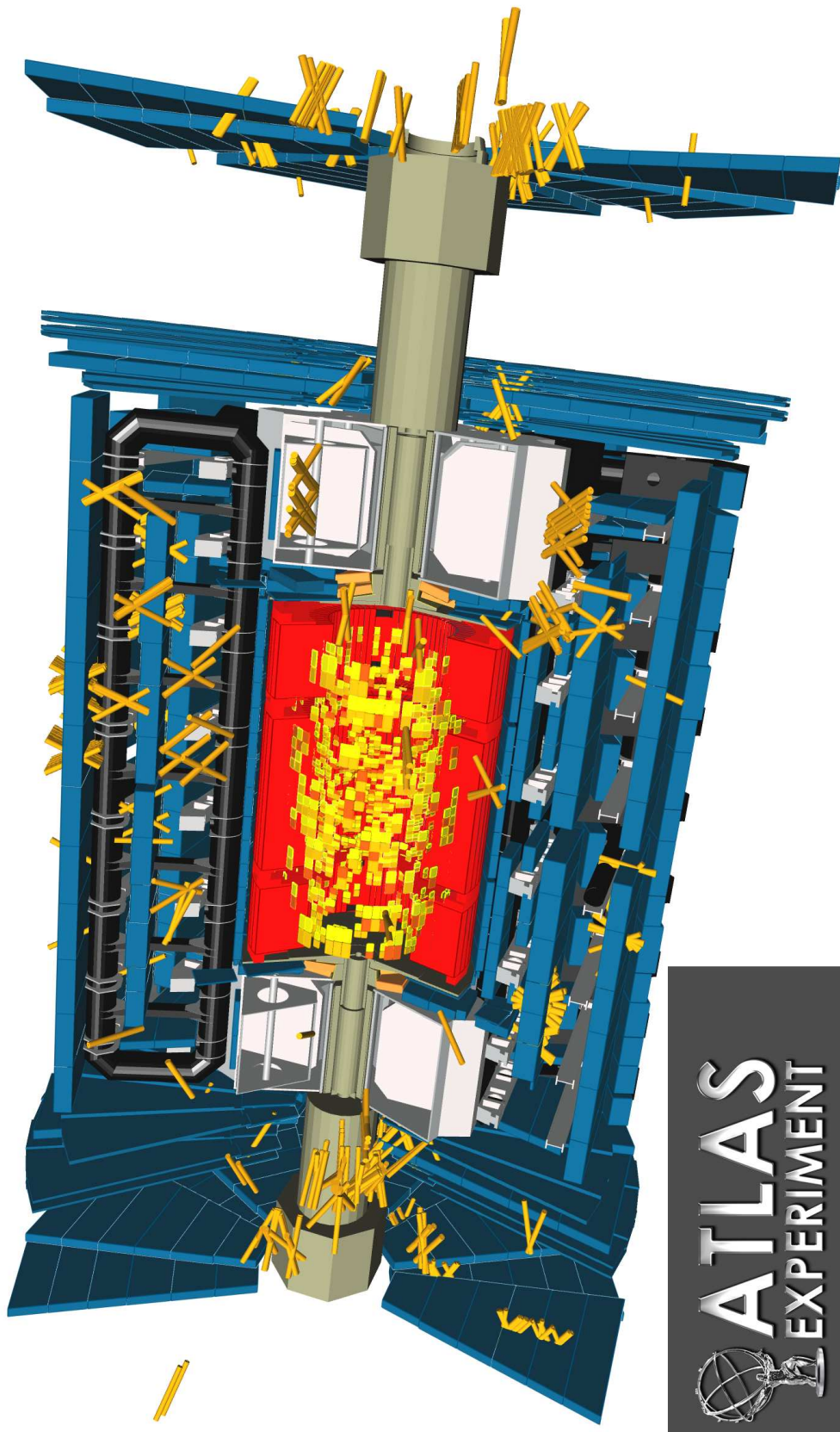
- MRST/MSTW NNLO PDFs AVAILABLE
& SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT FROM NLO
- ONLY DIS TREATED @ NNLO
- DRELL-YAN TREATED AT LO+ K -FACTORS
(CTEQ ALSO DOES NLO DY WITH K FACTORS)
- NNLO FOR GLUON AT SMALL x UNSTABLE BECAUSE
OF UNRESUMMED LOGS



CONCLUSIONS

- PDF'S ARE THE RESULT OF THE INTERPLAY OF DIFFERENT PIECES OF DATA IN DIVERSE KINEMATIC REGIONS, LIKELY TO IMPROVE SIGNIFICANTLY AFTER FIRST LHC DATA
- PDF UNCERTAINTIES CANNOT BE OBTAINED AS ONE- σ PARAMETER VARIATIONS IN A LOW-DIMENSIONAL SPACE
- **SIZABLE FRACTION OF THE PDF UNCERTAINTY DUE TO FUNCTIONAL FREEDOM** (INFINITELY MANY CURVES GO THROUGH A FINITE SET OF DATA)
- **RELATIVE IMPACT OF THEORETICAL UNCERTAINTIES SUCH AS HIGHER ORDER TERMS AND α_s VARIATION ACCORDINGLY LESS IMPORTANT**

WE BETTER HURRY UP!



ATLAS
EXPERIMENT

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EXTRAS

MONTE CARLO DATA GENERATION

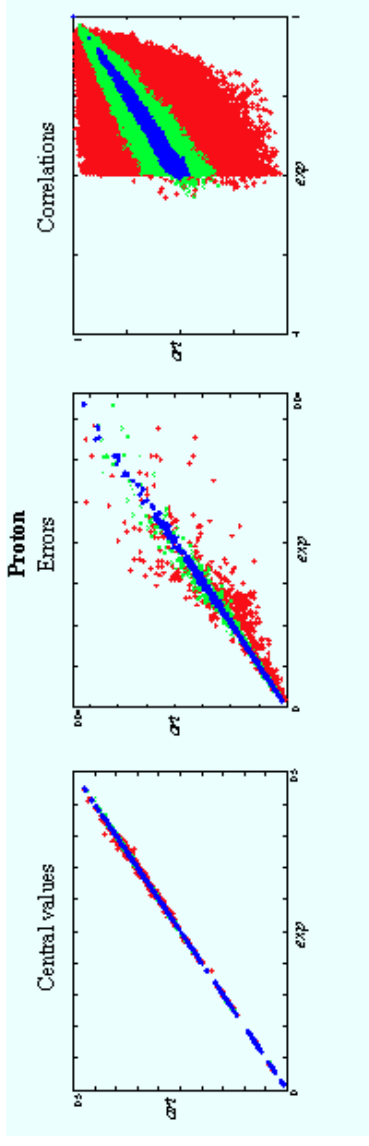
- BCDMS+ NMC PROTON & DEUTERON F_2 DATA (FULL CORRELATED SYSTEMATICS AVAILABLE), TAKEN AT 4 BEAM ENERGIES
- ON TOP OF STAT. ERRORS, 4 SYSTEMATICS + 1 NORMALIZATION (NMC) OR 6 SYSTEMATICS + 1 ABSOLUTE & 2 RELATIVE NORMALIZATIONS (BCDMS), WITH VARIOUS FORMS OF CORRELATION (FULL, OR FOR EACH TARGET, OR FOR EACH BEAM ENERGY)

GENERATE DATA ACCORDING TO A MULTIGAUSSIAN DISTRIBUTION

$$F_i^{(art)}(k) =$$

$$(1 + r_5^{(k)} \sigma_N) \sqrt{1 + r_{i,6}^{(k)} \sigma_{N_t}} \sqrt{1 + r_{i,7}^{(k)} \sigma_{N_b}} \left[F_i^{(exp)} + \frac{r_{i,1}^{(k)} f_b + r_{i,2}^{(k)} f_{i,s} + r_{i,3}^{(k)} f_{i,r}}{100} F_i^{(exp)} + r_{i,s}^{(k)} \sigma_s^i \right]$$

r univariate gaussian random nos., one $r_{i,s}$ for each data, but single $r_{i,j}$ for all correlated data



SCATTER PLOT ART. VS. EXP. FOR 10
(RED) 100 (GREEN) AND 1000 (BLUE)
REPLICAS

NEED 1000 REPLICAS TO REPRODUCE CORRELATIONS TO PERCENT ACCURACY

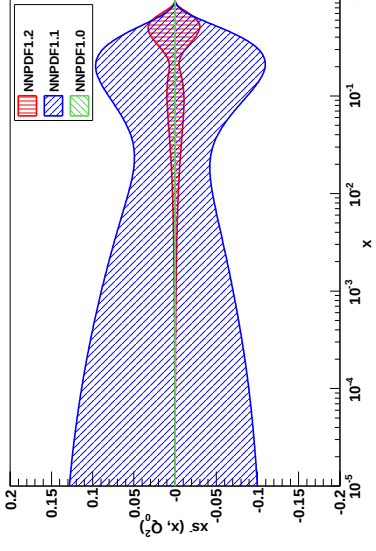
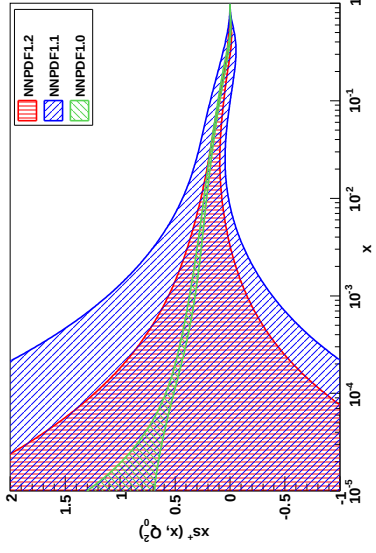
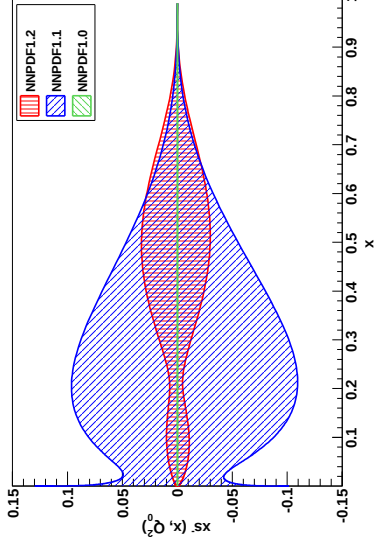
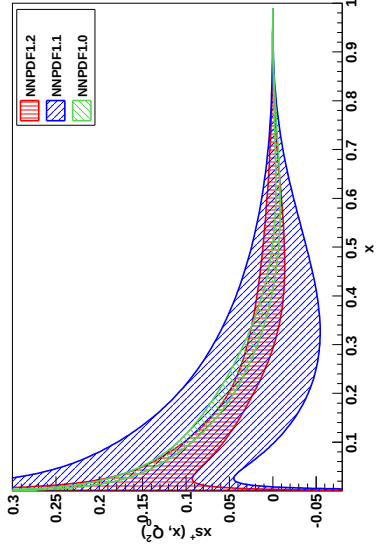
WHAT IS THIS GOOD FOR?

DETERMINATION OF WEAKLY CONSTRAINED QUANTITIES

THE STRANGE PDF

- NNPDF1.0: $s(x, Q_0^2) = \bar{s}(x, Q_0^2)$, $s + \bar{s} = \frac{1}{2}(\bar{u} + \bar{d})$, NO DIMUON DATA
- NNPDF1.1: $s, \bar{s}$ (ACTUALLY $s^\pm$) INDEP. PARAMETRIZED, NO DIMUON DATA
- NNPDF1.2: $s, \bar{s}$ (ACTUALLY $s^\pm$) INDEP. PARAMETRIZED, DIMUON DATA

STRANGE PDFS

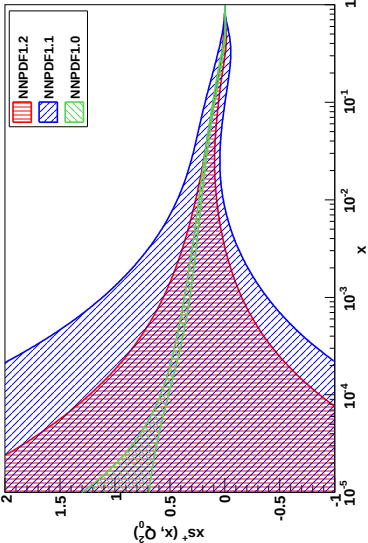
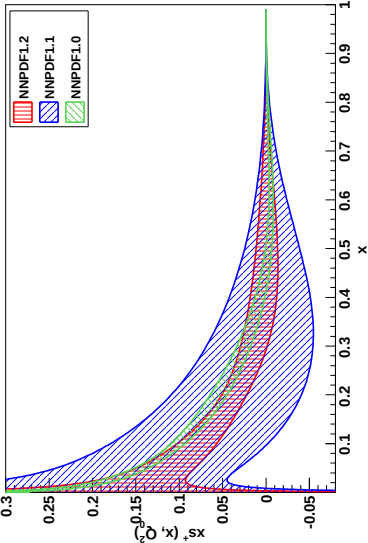


WHAT IS THIS GOOD FOR?

COMPATIBILITY CAN BE CHECKED QUANTITATIVELY

THE STRANGE PDF

NNPDF1.2 vs. NNPDF1.1			
	DATA	EXTRAPOLATION	
$\Sigma(x, Q_0^2)$	$5 \cdot 10^{-4} \leq x \leq 0.1$	$10^{-5} \leq x \leq 10^{-4}$	
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	2.7	1.2	
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	3.1	1.8	
$g(x, Q_0^2)$	$5 \cdot 10^{-4} \leq x \leq 0.1$	$10^{-5} \leq x \leq 10^{-4}$	
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	2.4	2.0	
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	1.3	1.4	
$T_3(x, Q_0^2)$	$0.05 \leq x \leq 0.75$	$10^{-3} \leq x \leq 10^{-2}$	
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	1.5	0.9	
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	1.1	1.2	
$V(x, Q_0^2)$	$0.1 \leq x \leq 0.6$	$3 \cdot 10^{-3} \leq x \leq 3 \cdot 10^{-2}$	
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	1.1	1.0	
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	1.3	1.4	
$\Delta_S(x, Q_0^2)$	$0.1 \leq x \leq 0.6$	$3 \cdot 10^{-3} \leq x \leq 3 \cdot 10^{-2}$	
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	0.8	0.8	
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	1.3	1.1	
$s^+(x, Q_0^2)$	$5 \cdot 10^{-4} \leq x \leq 0.1$	$10^{-5} \leq x \leq 10^{-4}$	
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	2.0	1.6	
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	4.5	1.8	
$s^-(x, Q_0^2)$	$0.1 \leq x \leq 0.6$	$3 \cdot 10^{-3} \leq x \leq 3 \cdot 10^{-2}$	
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	1.1	1.3	
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	6.1	4.6	



DISTANCE OF EXP. VALUES RESCALED BY $\sigma/\sqrt{N_{rep}}$

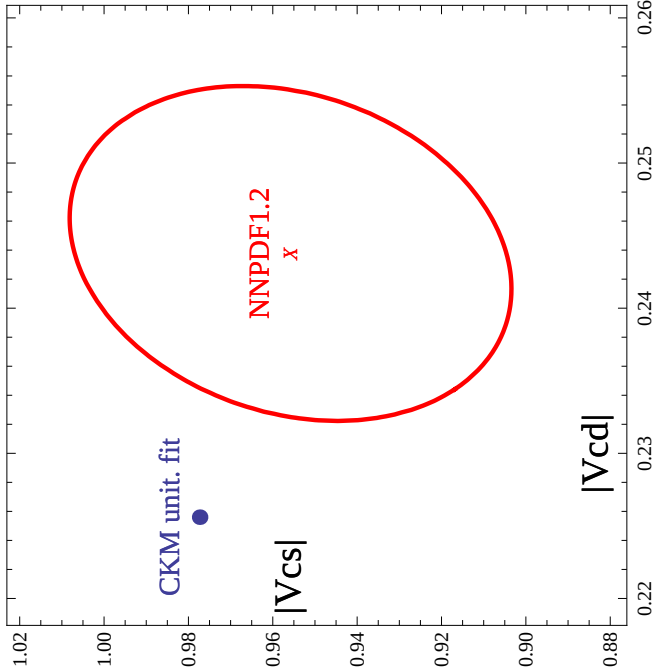
WHAT IS THIS GOOD FOR?

CAN DISENTANGLE PHYSICAL PARAMETERS FROM PDFS

DETERMINATION OF CKM PARMS FROM DIS

$$F_2^{\nu,c} = x \left[C_{2,q} \otimes \left(|V_{cd}|^2 (u + d) + 2 |V_{cs}|^2 s \right) + C_{2,g} \otimes g \right]$$

$$F_2^{\bar{\nu},c} = x \left[C_{2,q} \otimes \left(|V_{cd}|^2 (\bar{u} + \bar{d}) + 2 |V_{cs}|^2 \bar{s} \right) + C_{2,g} \otimes g \right]$$



ANALYSIS	DETERMINATION	$ V_{cs} $
NNPDF1.2	DIRECT FROM GLOBAL PDF ANALYSIS	$0.96 \pm 0.07^{\text{tot}}$
CDHS	LO FROM $\nu N \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	≥ 0.59 (90% C.L.)
CCFR	NLO FROM $\nu N \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	≥ 0.74 (90% C.L.)
PDG08	AVERAGE FROM D DECAYS	1.04 ± 0.06
HOCKER	AVERAGE FROM $\nu N \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	1.04 ± 0.16
DELPHI	DIRECT FROM $W^+ \rightarrow c \bar{s}$ DECAYS	$0.94^{+0.32}_{-0.26} \pm 0.13$
PDG08	CKM UNITARITY FIT	0.97334 ± 0.00023
ANALYSIS	DETERMINATION	$ V_{cd} $
NNPDF1.2	DIRECT FROM GLOBAL PDF ANALYSIS	$0.244 \pm 0.019^{\text{tot}}$
CDHS	LO FROM $\nu N \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	0.24 ± 0.03
CCFR	NLO FROM $\nu N \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	$0.232^{+0.017}_{-0.019}$
PDG08	AVERAGE FROM $\nu N \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	0.230 ± 0.011
PDG08	AVERAGE FROM $D \rightarrow K/\pi l \nu$ DECAYS	0.218 ± 0.023
PDG08	CKM UNITARITY FIT	0.2256 ± 0.0010

⇒ MOST PRECISE AVAILABLE DIRECT DETERMINATION OF V_{cs}

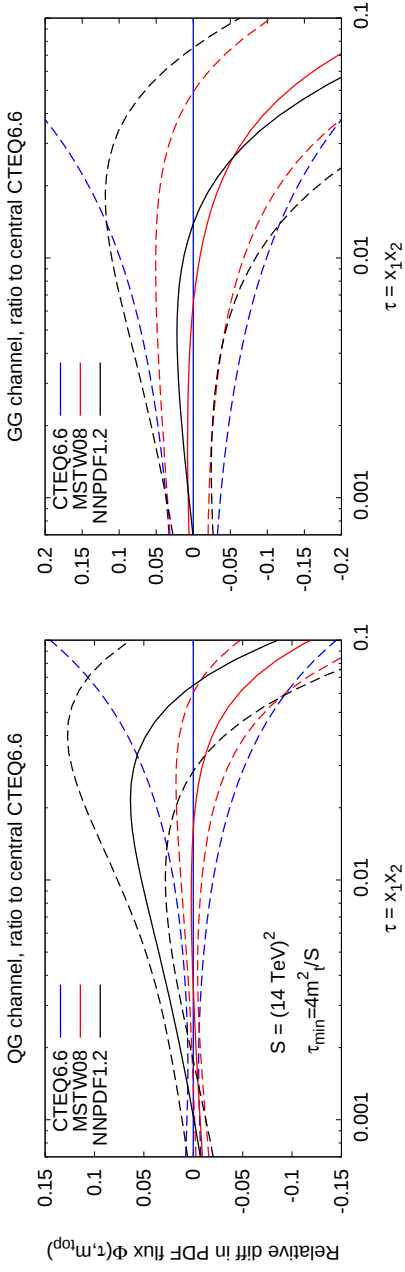
WHAT IS THIS GOOD FOR?

CAN TRUST RESULTS!

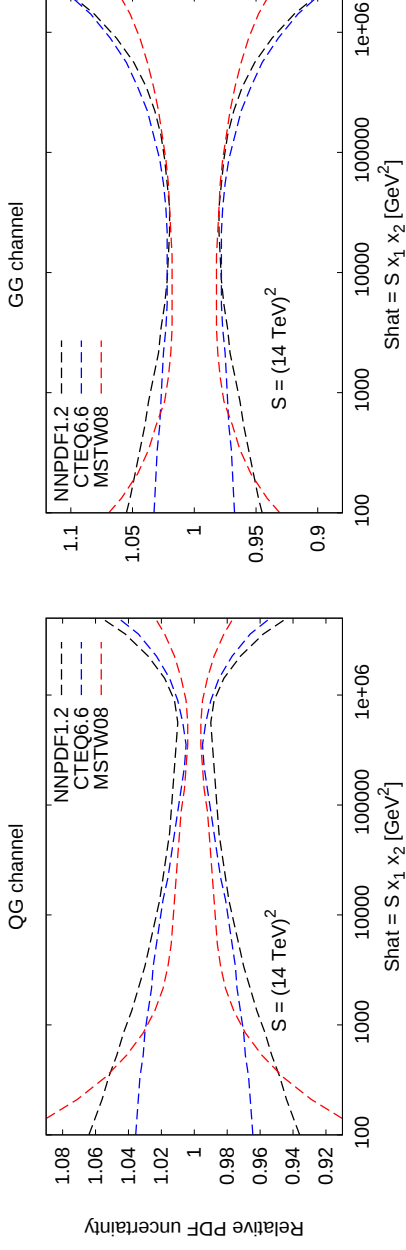
PARTON FLUXES AT THE LHC

$$\Phi_{ij}(\tau, \mu^2) = \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 q_i(x_1, \mu^2) q_j(x_2, \mu^2) \delta(x_1 x_2 - \tau)$$

FLUX



RELATIVE UNCERTAINTY ON FLUX

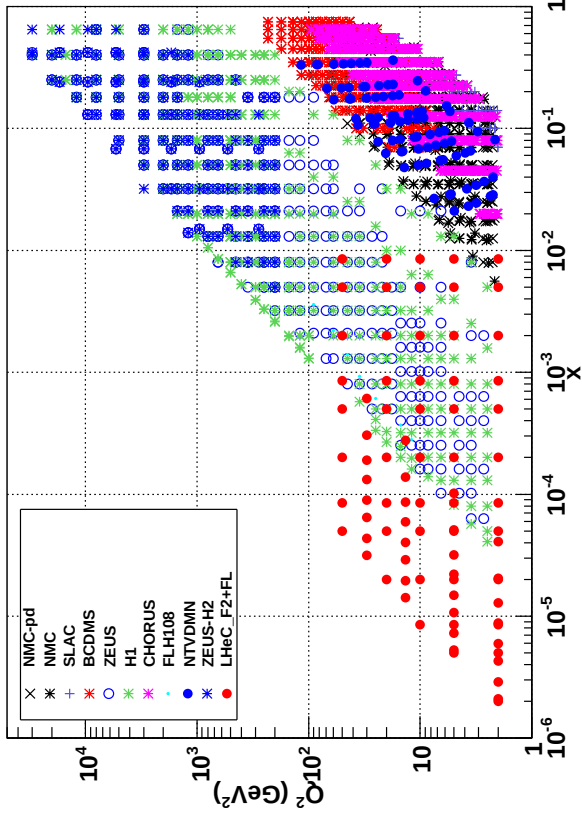


- UNCERTAINTIES IN FUTURE (GLOBAL) NNPDF FIT CAN ONLY DECREASE
- SENSITIVITY TO α_s OF NNPDF PARTONS NEGLIGIBLE

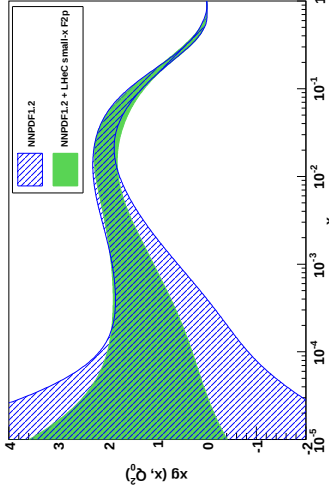
WHAT IS THIS GOOD FOR?

CAN STUDY UNCERTAINTIES AT FUTURE ACCELERATORS

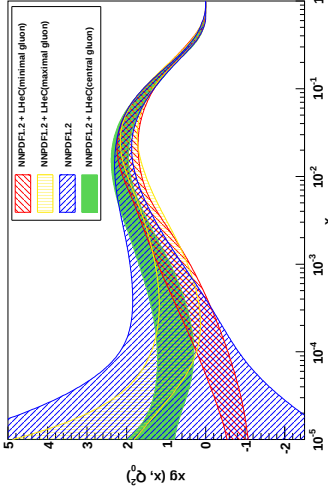
GLUON DETERMINATION AT THE LHEC



IMPACT OF LHEC F_2 DATA



LHEC $F_2 + F_L$ DATA

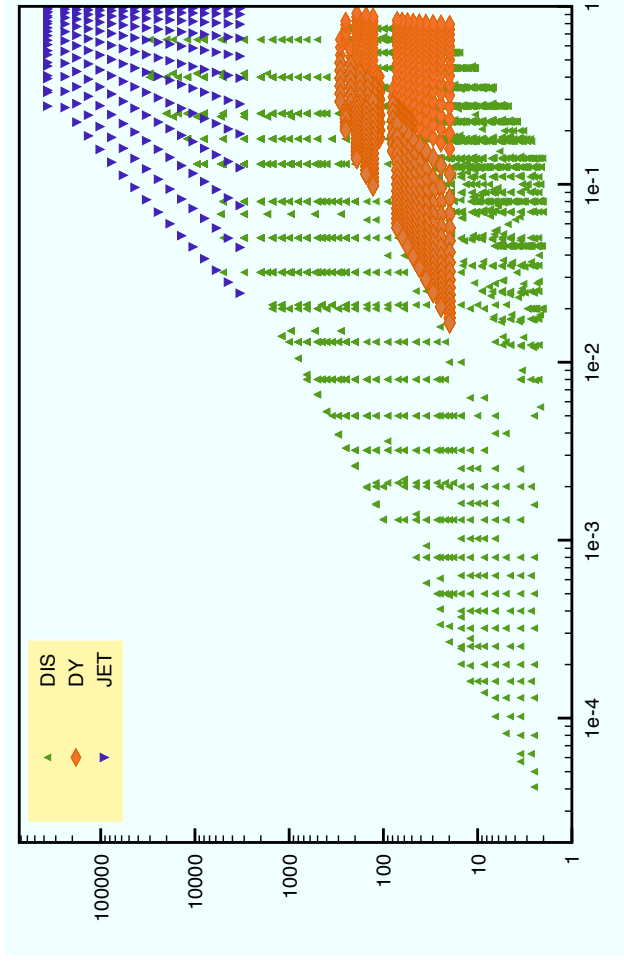


CAN DISENTANGLE DIFFERENT SCENARIOS FOR SMALL x GLUON BEHAVIOUR

- THE MONTE CARLO SAMPLE CAN BE USED DIRECTLY FOR SUCH STUDIES WITHOUT REFITTING:
JUST REWEIGHT SAMPLE ACCORDING TO PROJECTED DATA
- LHC STUDIES ALONG THESE LINES POSSIBLE/IN PREPARATION
(SEE MCNULTY'S TALK)

WHAT NEXT?

NNPDF2.0



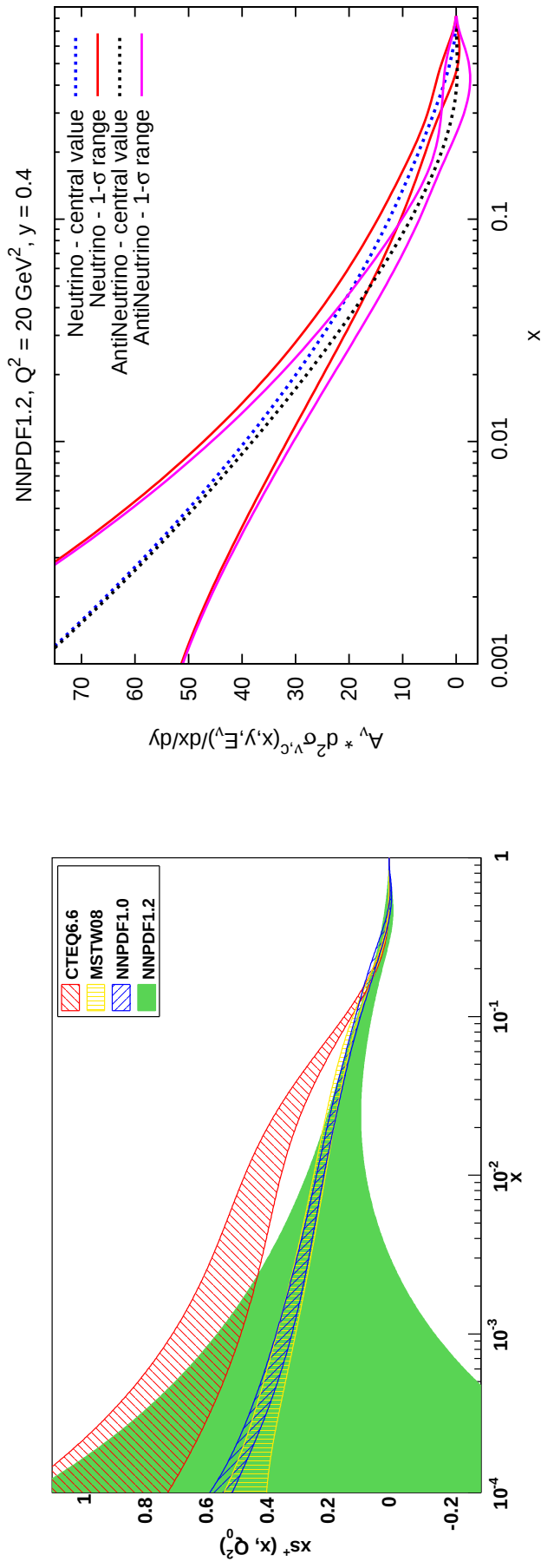
OBS	DATA SET
$d\sigma^{\text{DY}}/dM^2 dy$	E605
$d\sigma^{\text{DY}}/dM^2 dx_F$	E886
W ASYM.	D0/CDF
Z RAP. DISTR.	D0/CDF
INCL. σ^{jet}	CDF(k_T)
INCL. σ^{jet}	D0(CONE)

- $800_{\text{DY}} + 200_{\text{JET}} = \mathcal{O}(1000)$ NEW DATA
- FASTDY ALGORITHM $\Rightarrow$ FIRST TRULY NLO FIT
- DEFECT: STILL ZM-VFN SCHEME FOR HEAVY QUARKS

POSITIVITY

- PDFs can go negative, provided physical cross sections remain positive definite
- (in principle) this should be true for any observable
- in practice, mostly relevant close to the data edge
- NNPDF1.x: positivity of F_L enforced

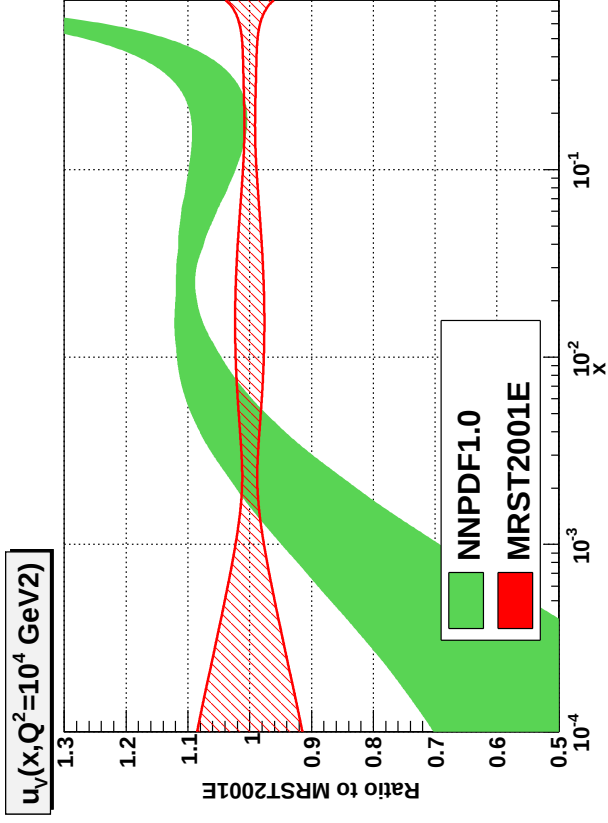
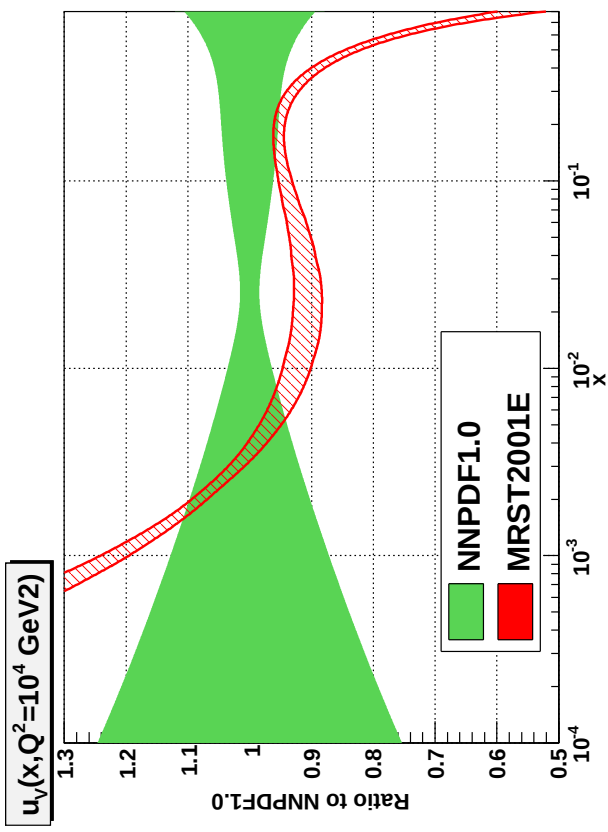
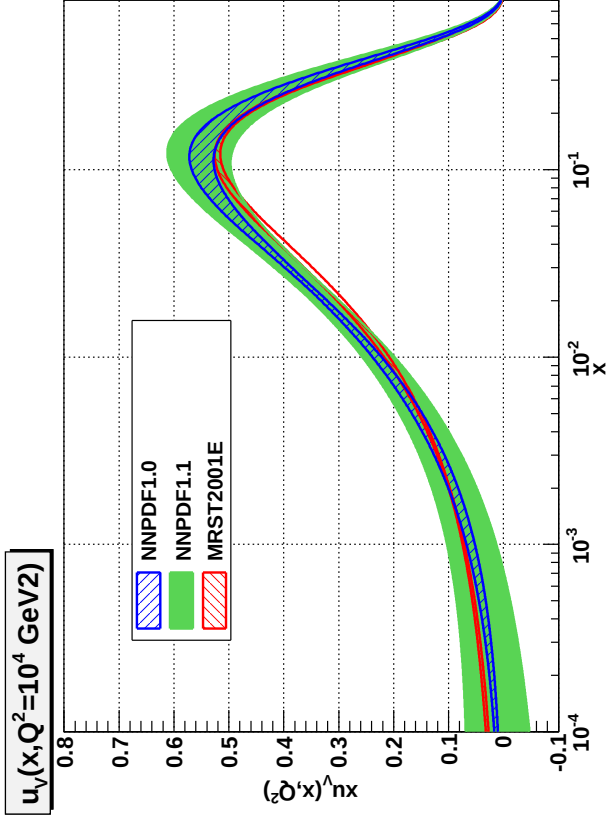
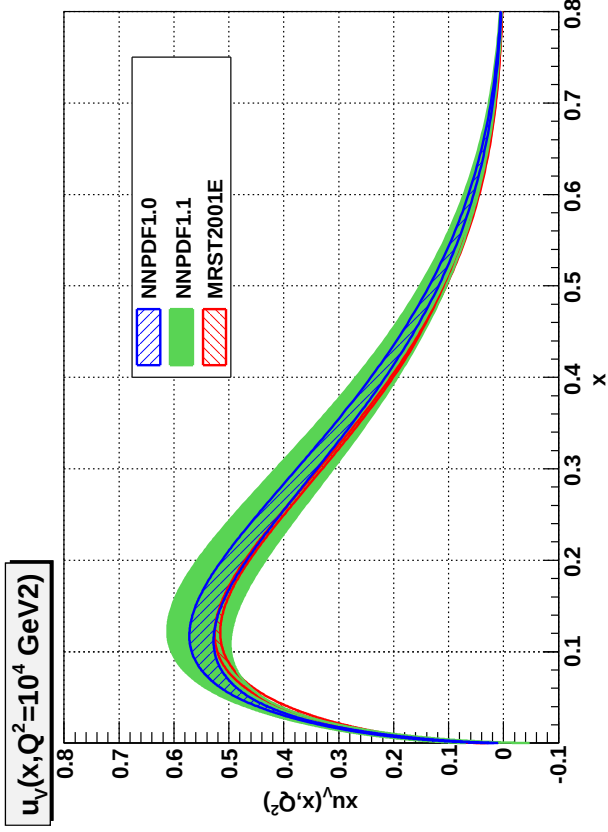
STRANGE PDF AND DIMUON XSECT



- STRANGENESS GOES NEGATIVE PRETTY SOON...
- BUT THE CROSS-SECTION REMAINS POSITIVE

COMPARISON PLOTS

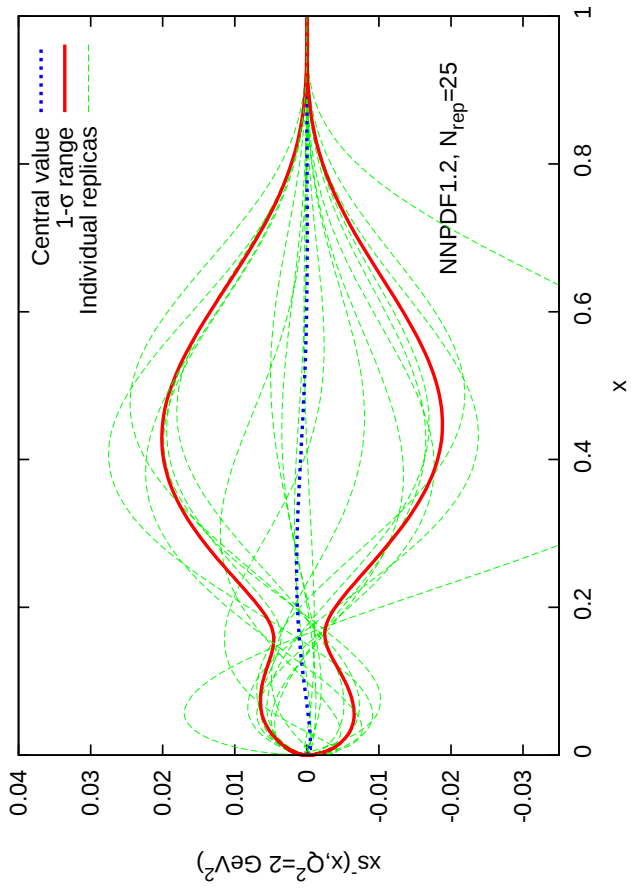
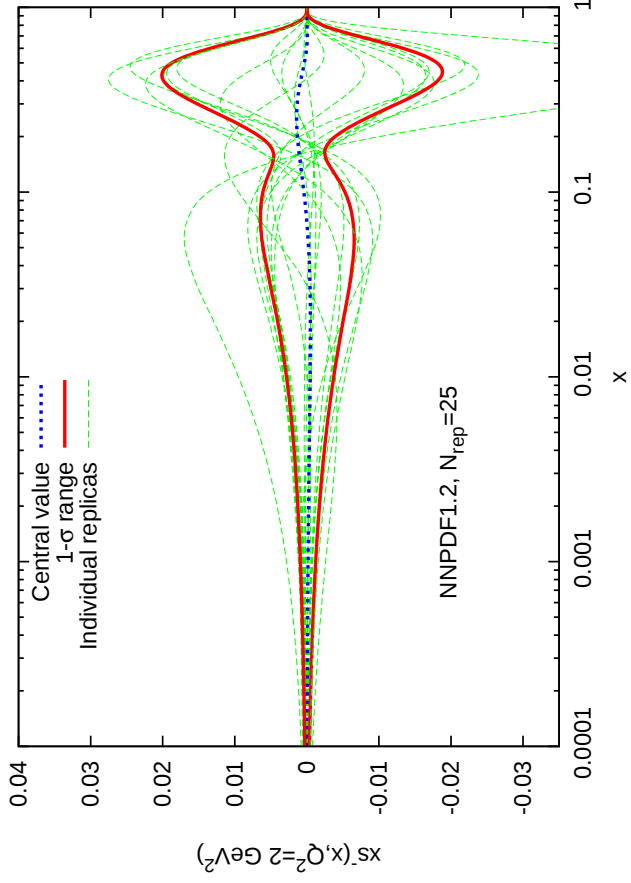
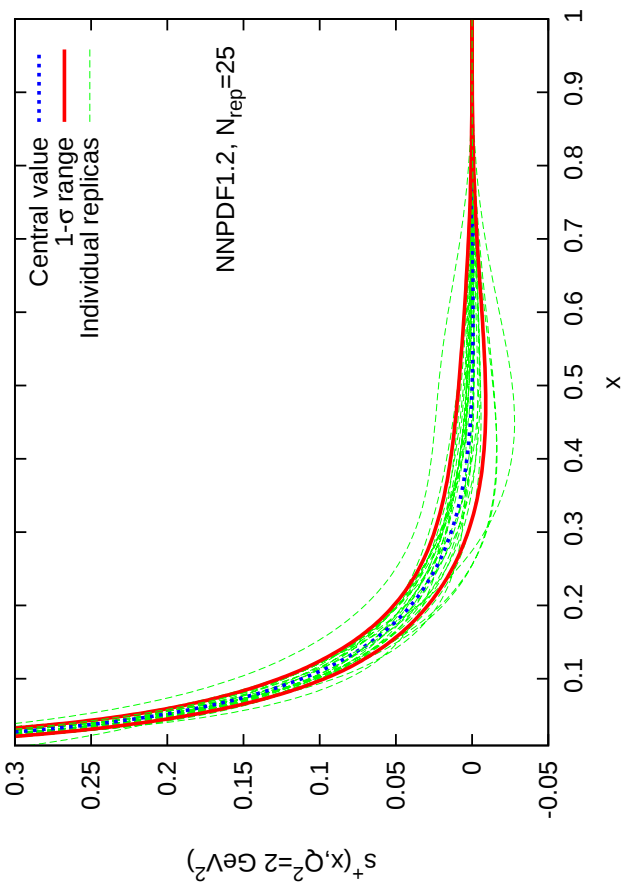
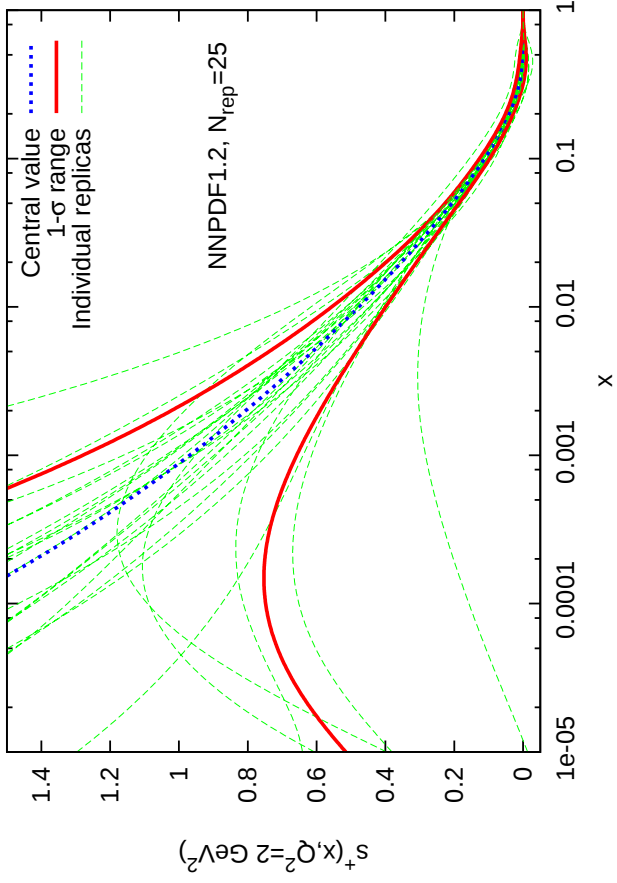
BEWARE OF RATIOS!



THE PDF IN THE NUMERATOR ALWAYS LOOKS SILLY!

REPLICAS: STRANGENESS

FLEXIBLE PARAMETRIZATION WITH LITTLE INFORMATION



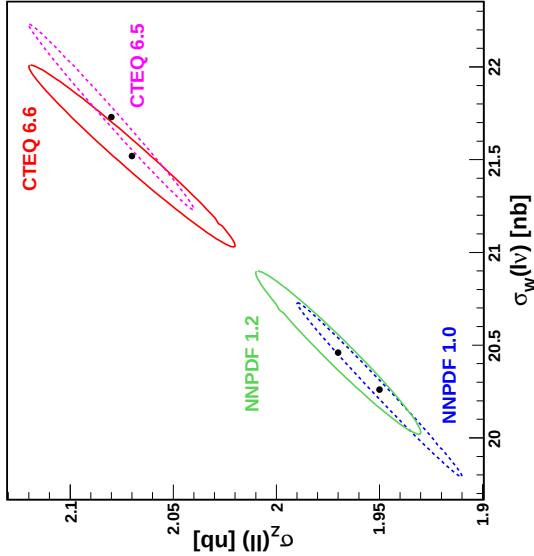
s^- MAY CHANGE SIGN SEVERAL TIMES!

IMPACT ON SOME LHC STANDARD CANDLES:

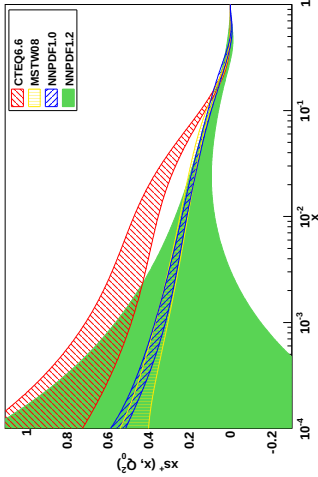
IT COULD BE WORSE

- TOTAL W/Z XSCT DOMINATED BY CENTRAL RAPIDITY REGION
⇒ UNCERTAINTY ON STRANGENESS UNDER CONTROL
- AWAY FROM CENTRAL REGION UNCERTAINTY MUCH LARGER

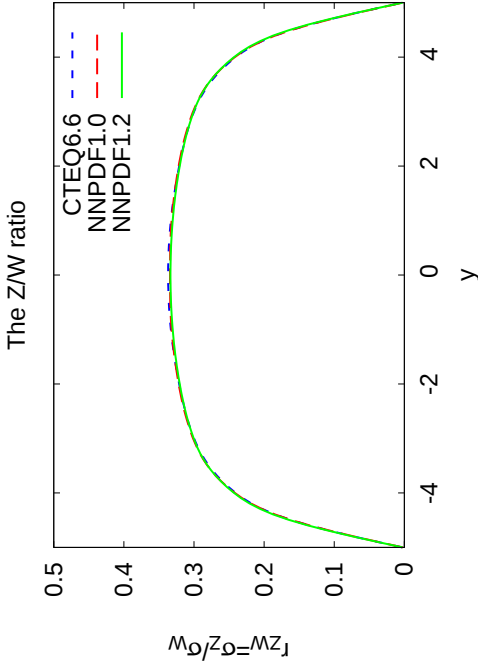
TOTAL XSECTIONS



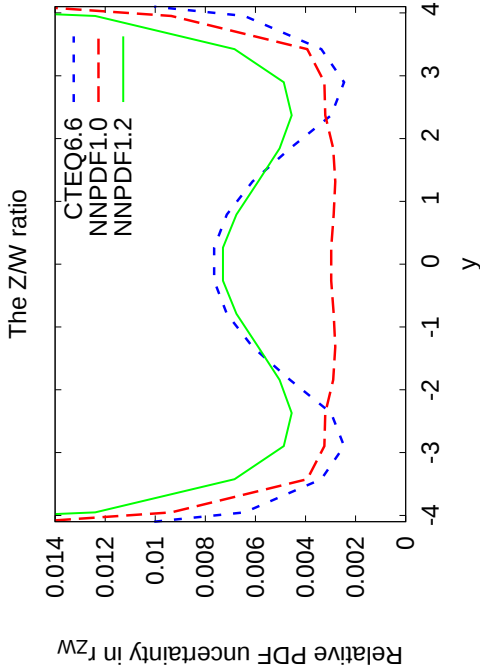
STRANGENESS (REMINDER)



RAPIDITY DISTRIBUTION



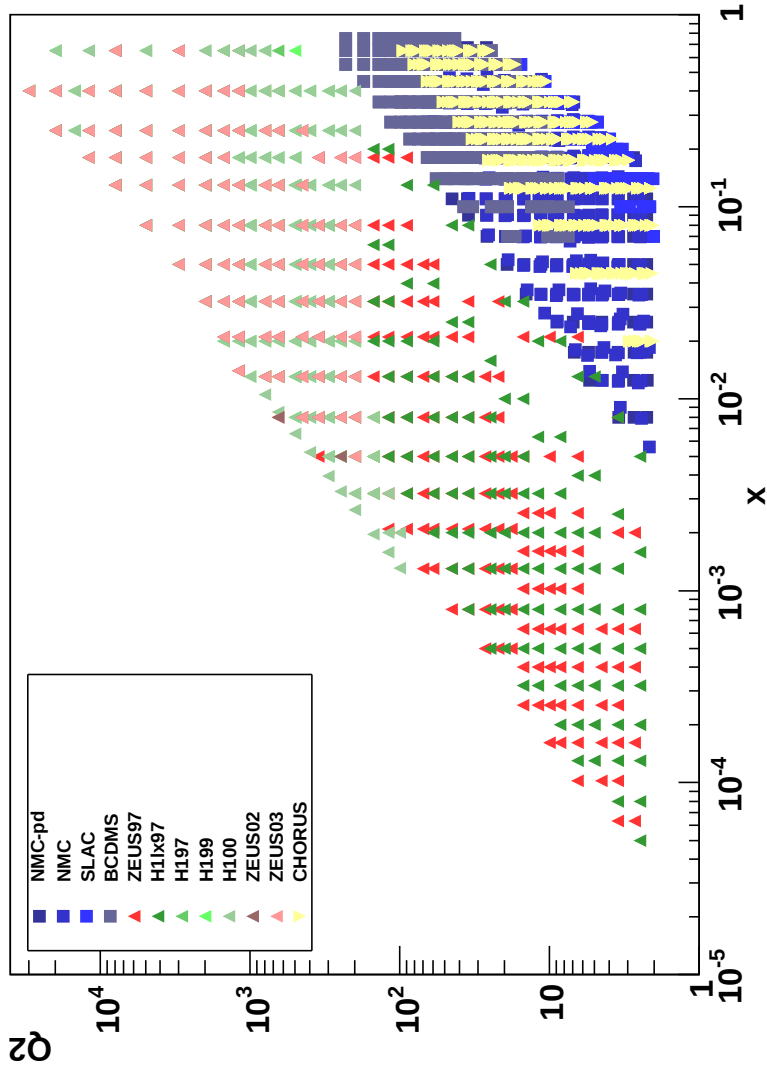
PERC. UNCERTAINTY



FEATURES OF THE FIT

THE DATASET

$$Q^2 > 2 \text{ GEV}^2; W^2 > 12.5 \text{ GEV}^2$$



NAME	DATA POINTS	TARGET
NMC_PD	153	F_2^d / F_2^p
NMC	245	F_2^p
SLAC	47 (47)	$F_2^p(d)$
BCDMS	333 (248)	$F_2^p(d)$
ZEUS97	240 (29)	$\tilde{\sigma}^{NC(CC),+}$
ZEUS02	92 (26)	$\tilde{\sigma}^{NC(CC),-}$
ZEUS03	90 (30)	$\tilde{\sigma}^{NC(CC),+}$
H1x97	135	$\tilde{\sigma}^{NC,+}$
H197	130 (25)	$\tilde{\sigma}^{NC(CC),+}$
H199	139 (28)	$\tilde{\sigma}^{NC(CC),-}$
H100	147 (28)	$\tilde{\sigma}^{NC(CC),+}$
H108	8	F_L
CHORUS	471 (471)	$\tilde{\sigma}^{\nu}(\bar{\nu})$
TOTAL	3161	

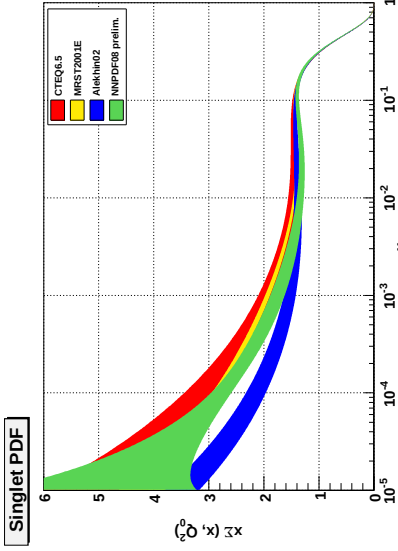
FEATURES OF THE FIT THEORY

- NLO EVOLUTION (N – SPACE, EXPANDED)
 - ZM-VFN SCHEME FOR THRESHOLDS
 - $\alpha_s(M_z) = 0.119$, PDFS GIVEN AT $Q_0^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$
 - TARGET-MASS CORRECTIONS INCLUDED UP TO TWIST FOUR
- ## BASIS FUNCTIONS AND PARAMETRIZATION
- FIVE INDEPENDENT PDFs: SINGLET, GLUON, TOTAL VALENCE, TRIPLET, $\bar{d} - \bar{u}$.
 - SYMMETRIC STRANGE SEA $s(x) = \bar{s}(x)$,
PROPORTIONAL TO NON-STRANGE SEA, $\bar{s}(x) = \frac{C}{2}(\bar{u}(x) + \bar{d}(x))$, ($C = 0.5$)
 - ALL PDFS PARAMETRIZED BY A 2-5-3-1 NEURAL NETWORK:
 $37 \times 5 = 185$ PARAMETERS
 - MOMENTUM AND VALENCE SUM RULES ENFORCED STRICTLY
 - POSITIVITY OF F_L ENFORCED for $x \geq 10^{-7}$, $Q^2 \geq 2 \text{ GeV}^2$

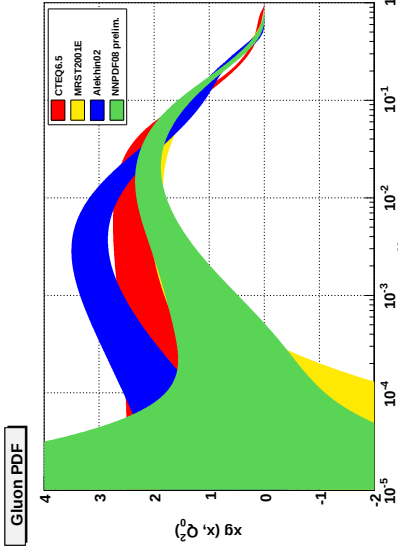
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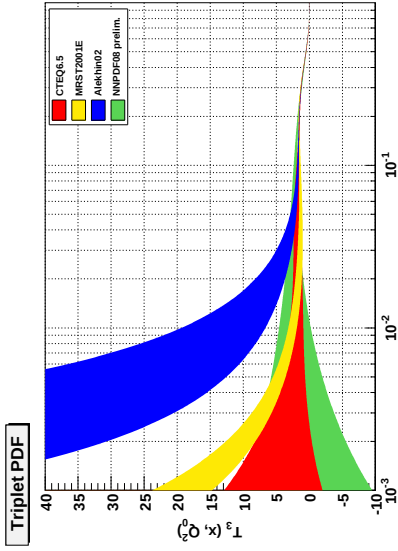
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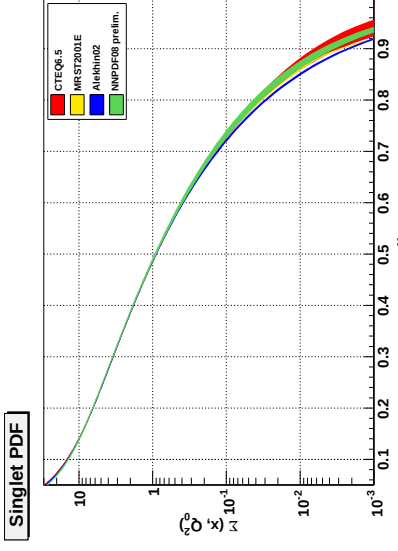
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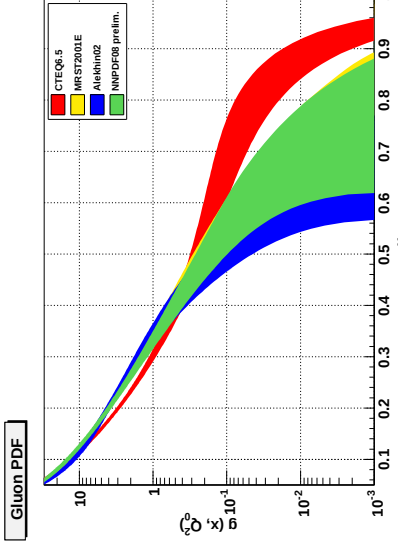
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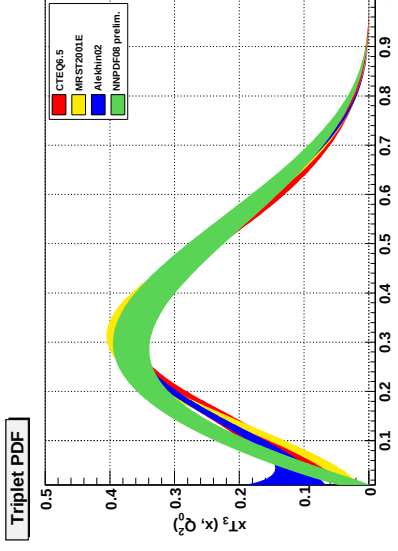
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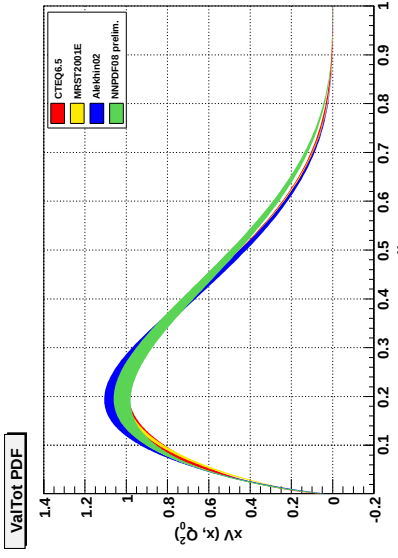
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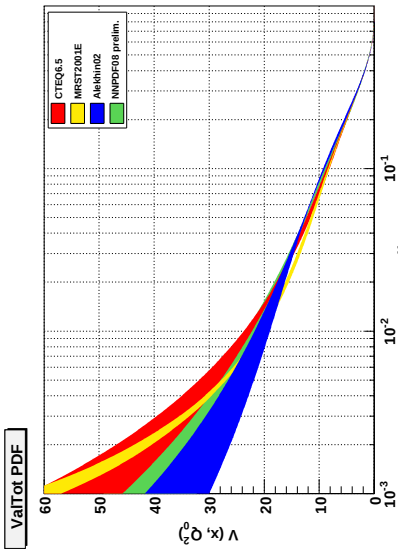
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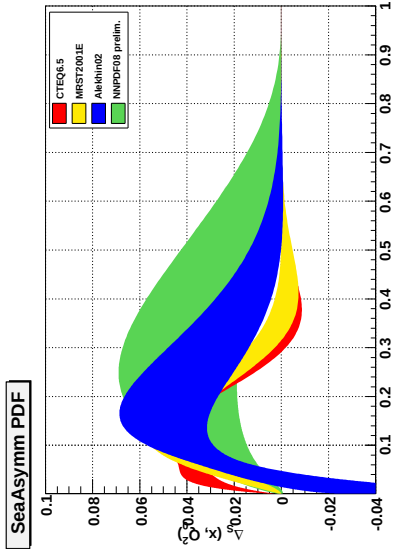
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VALENCE



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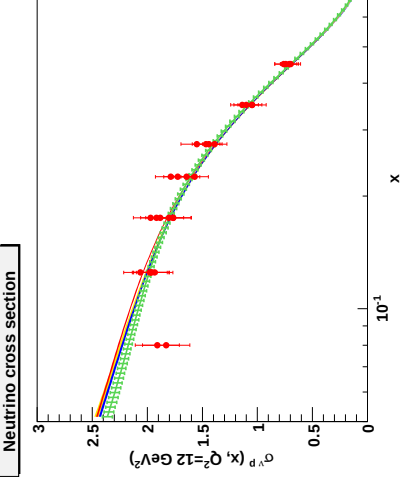
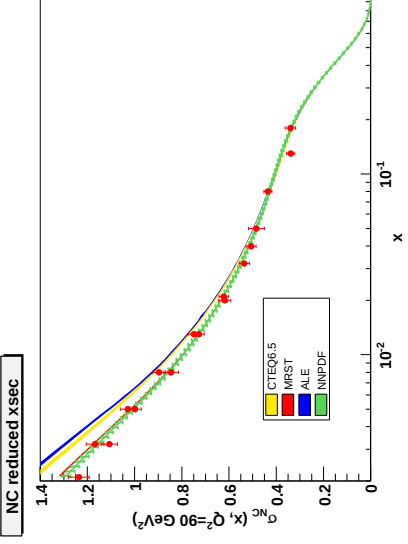
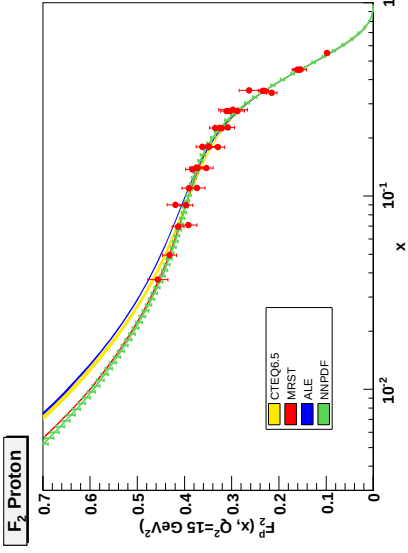


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PHYSICAL OBSERVABLES

STRUCTURE FUNCTIONS NC XSECT.

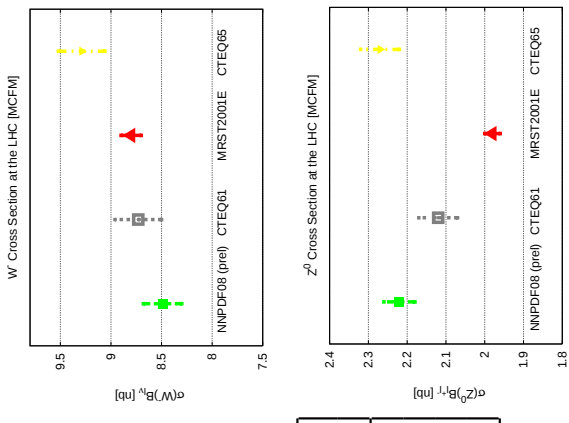
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NEUTRINO XSECT.

TOTAL CROSS-SECTIONS AT LHC, NLO FROM MCFM

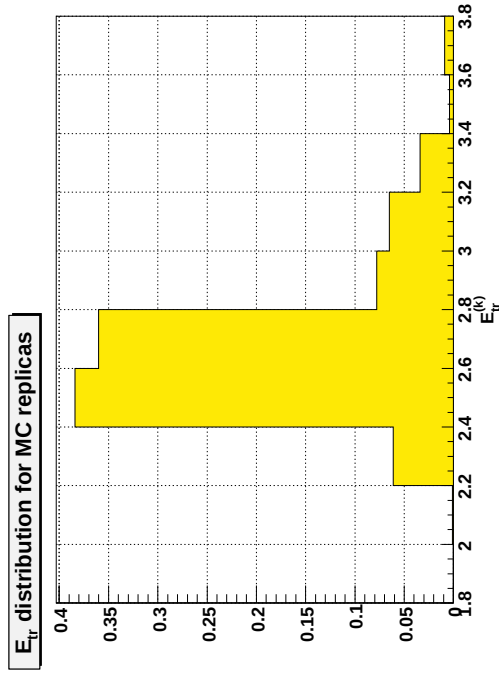
	$\sigma_{W+\mathcal{B}_{l+\nu}}$ [nb]	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma_{W+}$	$\sigma_{W-\mathcal{B}_{l-\nu}}$ [nb]	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma_{W-}$	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ [pb]	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$	σ_H [pb]	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma_H$
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NNPDF08	11.96 ± 0.30	2.5%	8.49 ± 0.19	2.3%	1014 ± 24	2.3%	35.79 ± 1.04	3.0%
CTEQ6.5	12.66 ± 0.29	2.3%	9.29 ± 0.23	2.5%	942 ± 19	2.0%	37.51 ± 0.80	2.2%
CTEQ6.1	11.85 ± 0.28	2.4%	8.73 ± 0.23	2.6%	970 ± 18	1.9%	38.50 ± 0.85	2.2%
MRST01	11.84 ± 0.14	1.2%	8.80 ± 0.10	1.1%	1013 ± 13	1.3%	37.52 ± 0.40	1.1%
	$\sigma_{Z\mathcal{B}_{l+l-}}$ [nb]	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma_Z$						
NNPDF08	2.22 ± 0.04	2.0%						
CTEQ6.5	2.27 ± 0.05	2.2%						
CTEQ6.1	2.12 ± 0.05	2.3%						
MRST01	1.98 ± 0.02	1.0%						



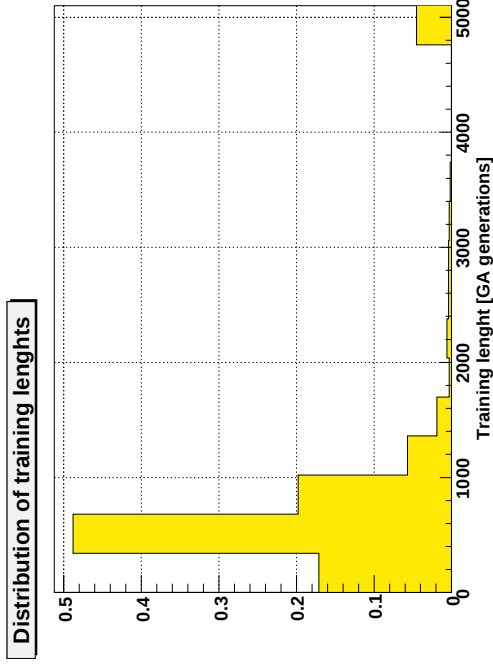
RESULTS

GENERAL STATISTICAL FEATURES

χ^2 AT STOPPING



TRAINING LENGTHS



χ^2_{tot}	1.34
$\langle E \rangle$	2.71
$\langle E_{tr} \rangle$	2.68
$\langle E_{val} \rangle$	2.72
$\langle TL \rangle$	824.23
N_{rep}	1000

- POISSONIAN DISTRIBUTION OF TRAINING LENGTHS
- BEST FIT $\chi^2 = 1.34$: MINOR DATA INCOMPATIBILITIES (?)

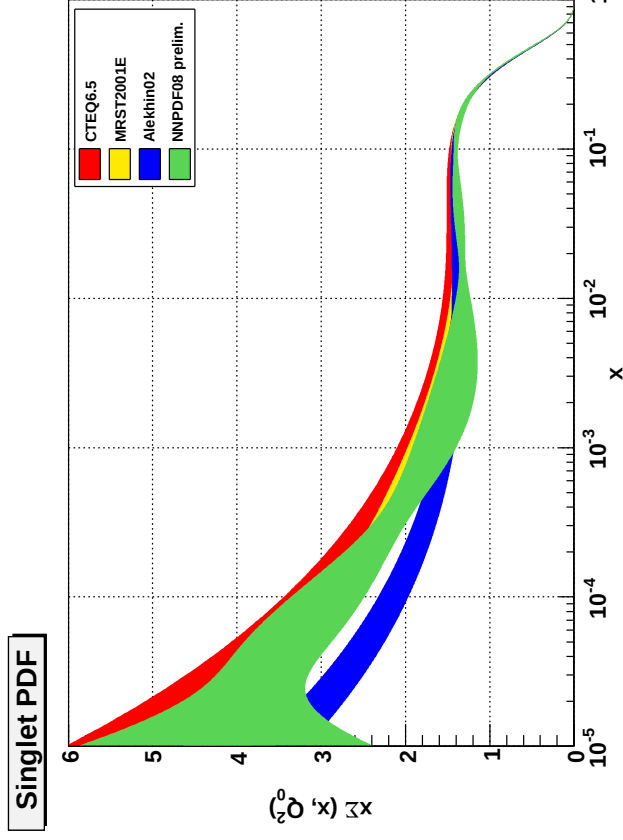
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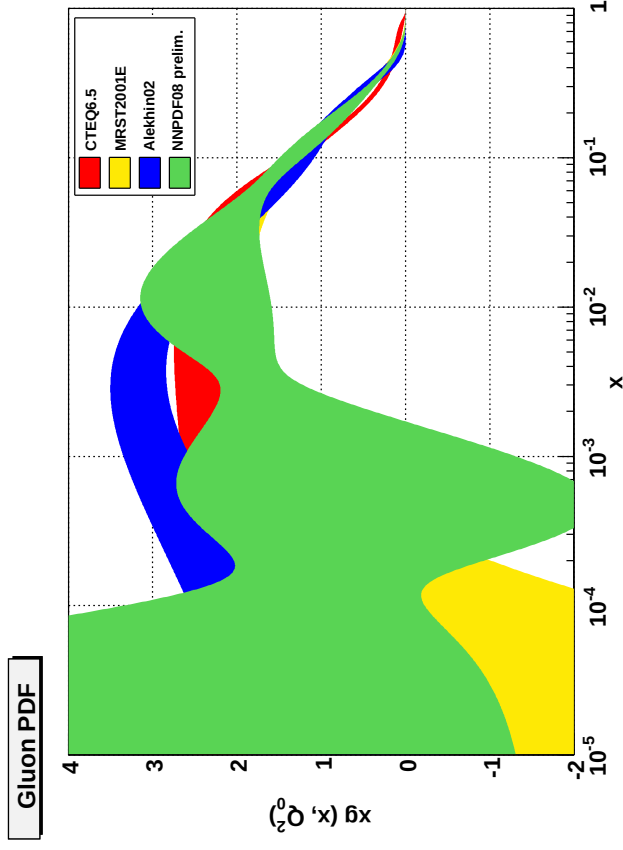
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- STATISTICS SHOW WHETHER THE EFFECT IS REAL

10 REPLICAS

SINGLET



GLUON



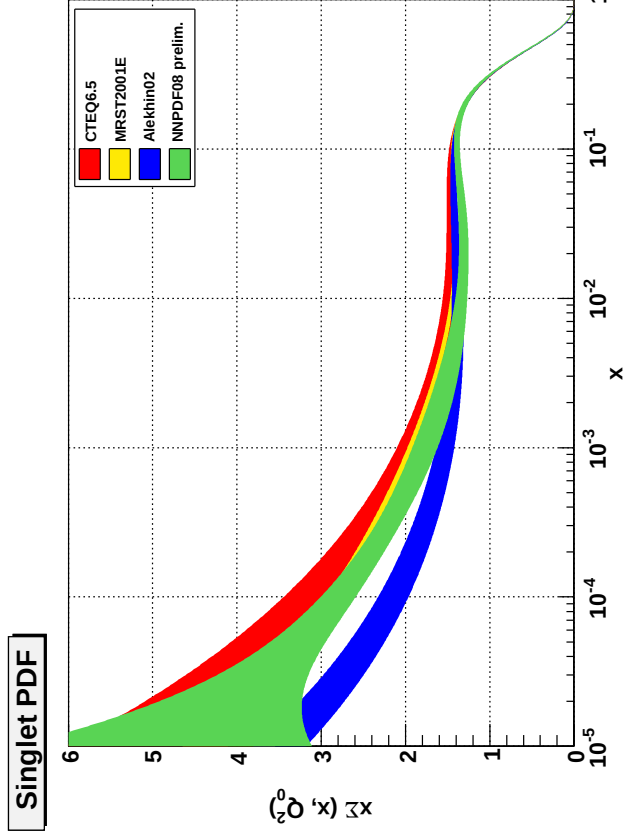
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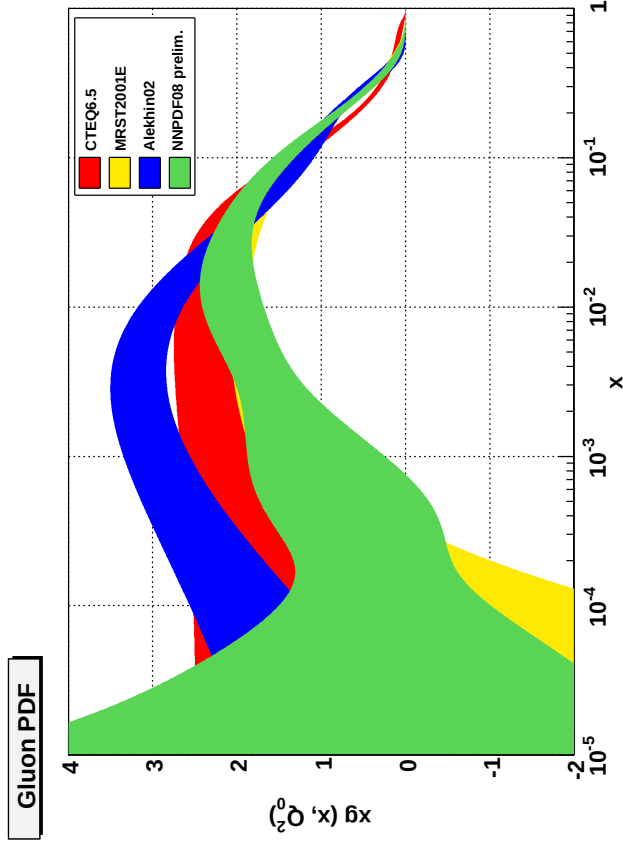
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100 REPLICAS

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GLUON



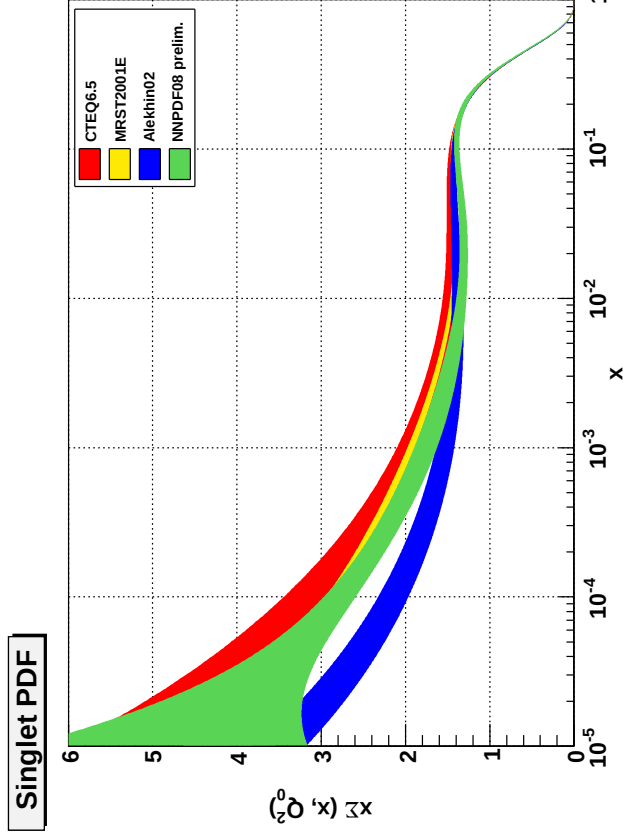
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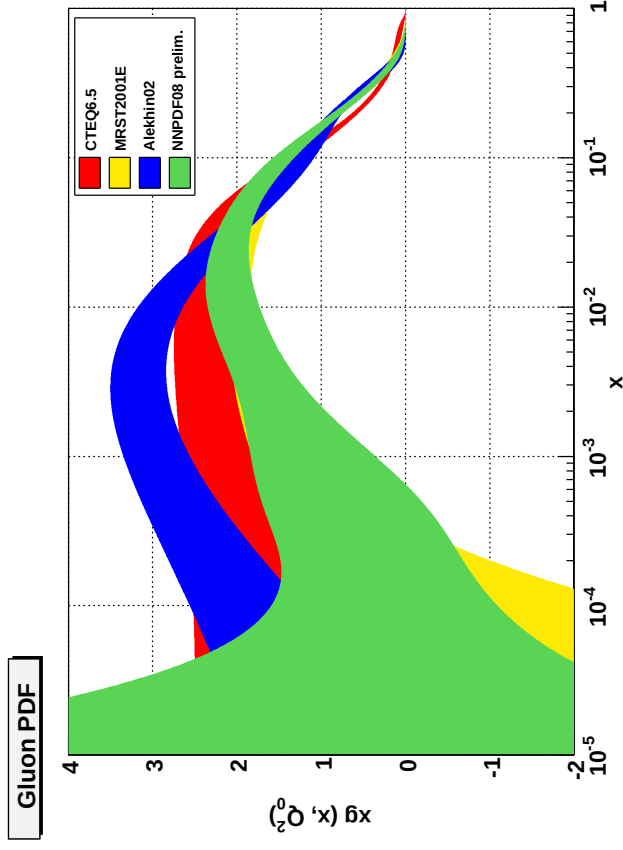
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200 REPLICAS

SINGLET



GLUON



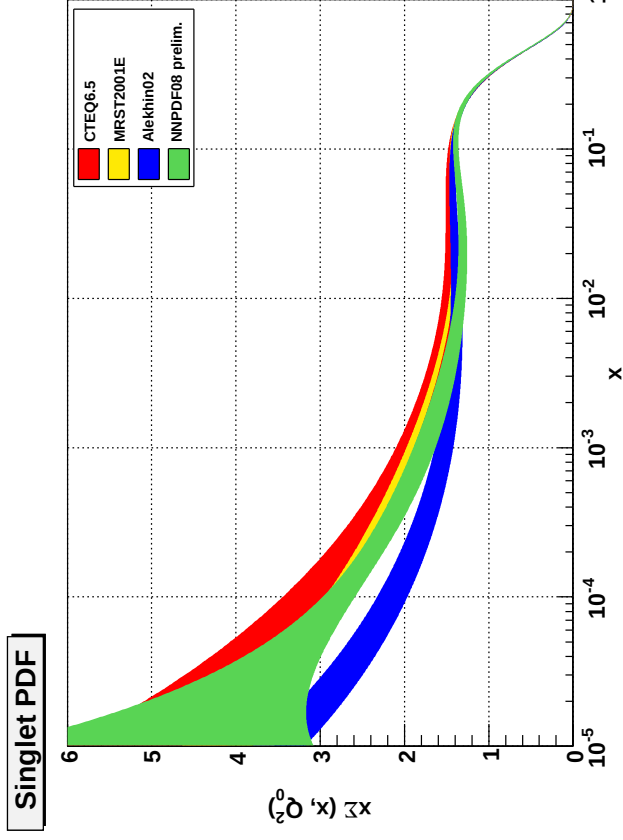
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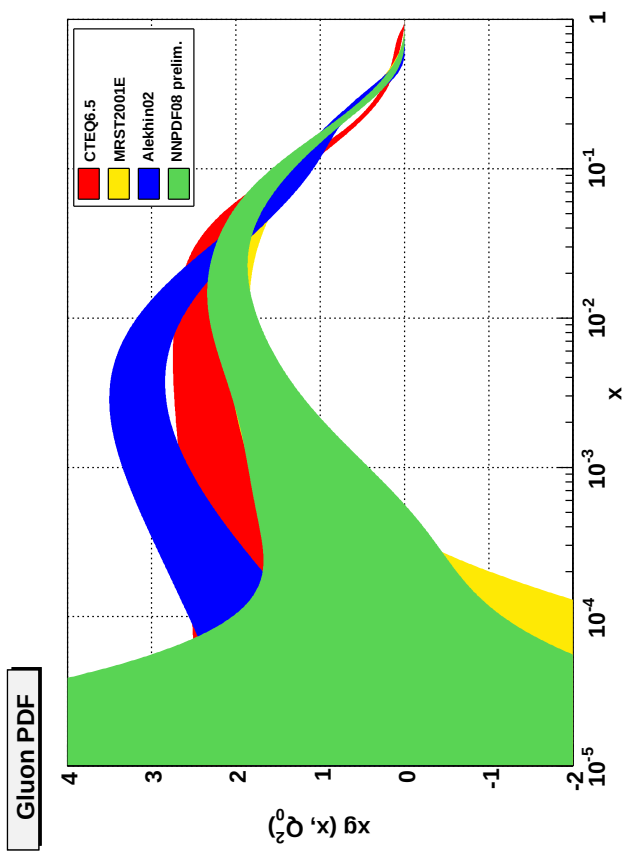
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400 REPLICAS

SINGLET



GLUON



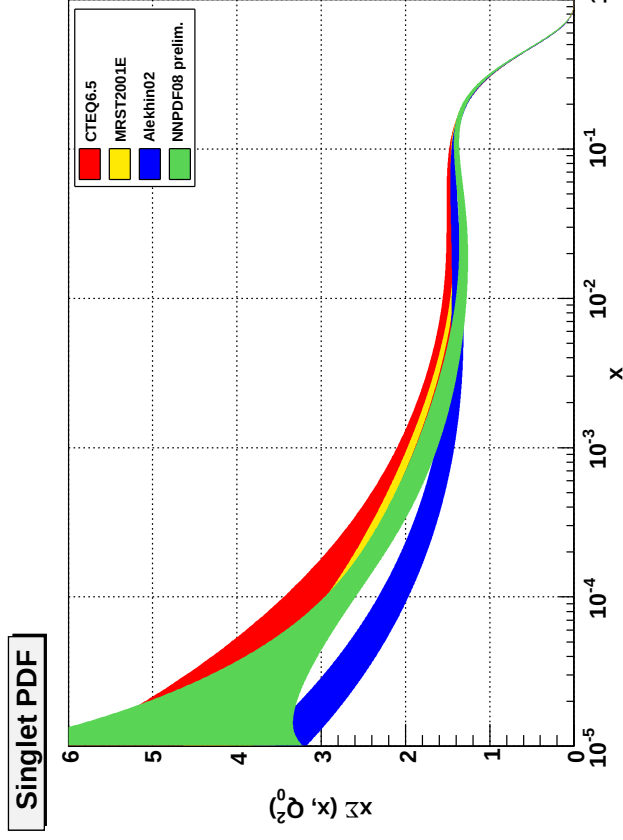
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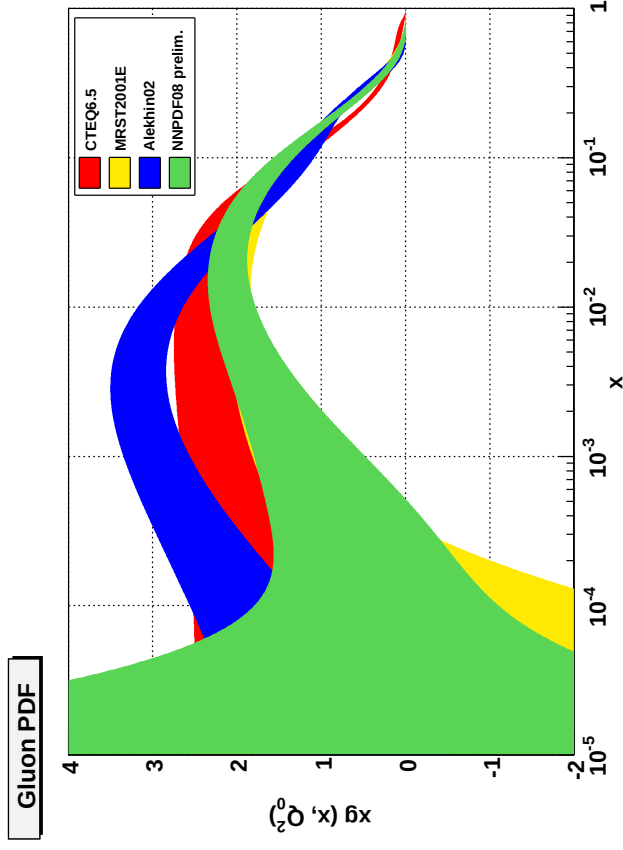
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GLUON



PARAMETRIZATION INDEPENDENCE: STATISTICAL STABILITY

COMPARE DISTANCE IN UNITS OF SIGMA OF RESULTS OBTAINED WITH DIFFERENT ASSUMPTIONS

- DISTANCE IN UNITS OF SIGMA

$$\langle d[q] \rangle = \sqrt{\left\langle \left(\frac{\langle q_i \rangle_{(1)} - \langle q_i \rangle_{(2)}}{\sigma^2 [q_i^{(1)}] + \sigma^2 [q_i^{(2)}]} \right)^2 \right\rangle_{\text{dat}}}$$

- NOTE $\sigma \Rightarrow$ **ERROR ON AVERAGE**
= (ERROR ON q_i)/ $\sqrt{N}$
with 100 replicas, $d = 1$
 $\rightarrow$ fits differ by 1/10 of nominal error

- TEST PREDICTIONS**
FOR CENTRAL VALUES & ERRORS

DISTANCE BETWEEN STANDARD & FIT WITH SMALLER NEURAL NETS 2-4-3-1 VS 2-5-3-1 ARCHITECTURE (31 vs. 37 parms per net)

	DATA	EXTRAPOLATION
SINGLET	$0.005 \leq x \leq 0.1$	$10^{-4} \leq x \leq 10^{-3}$
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	0.96	1.32
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	1.23	1.32
GLUON	$0.005 \leq x \leq 0.1$	$10^{-4} \leq x \leq 10^{-3}$
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	1.40	1.13
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	1.17	1.06
VALENCE	$0.1 \leq x \leq 0.6$	$0.03 \leq x \leq 0.3$
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	1.40	0.93
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	1.09	0.96
TRIPLET	$0.05 \leq x \leq 0.75$	$0.01 \leq x \leq 0.1$
$\langle d[q] \rangle$	1.05	1.09
$\langle d[\sigma] \rangle$	1.68	2.5

PARAMETRIZATION INDEPENDENCE: THE “HERALHC BENCHMARK”

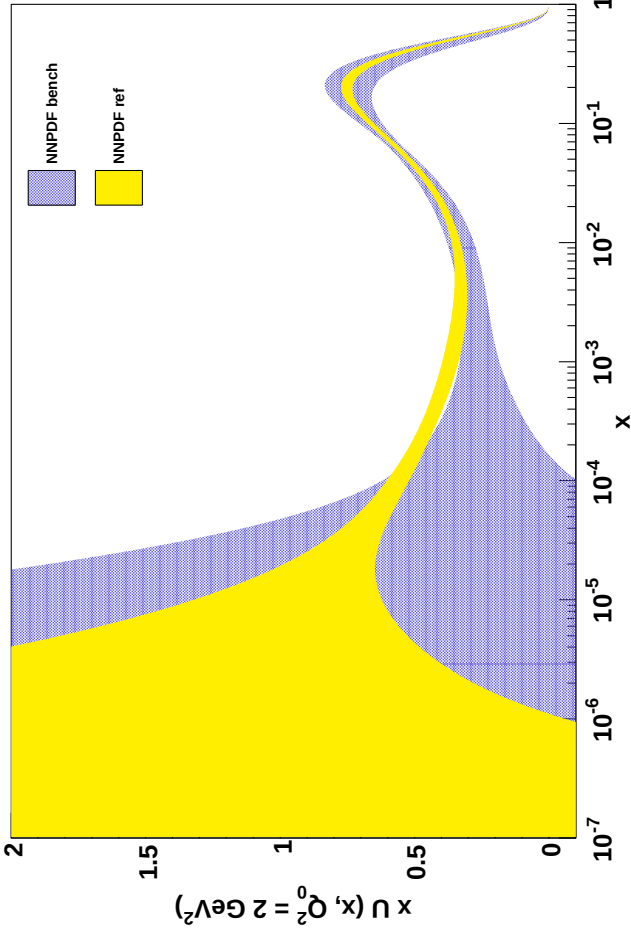
$$Q^2 > 9 \text{ GeV}^2; W^2 > 15 \text{ GeV}^2$$

REDUCED DATASET $\Rightarrow$ WIDER ERROR BAND

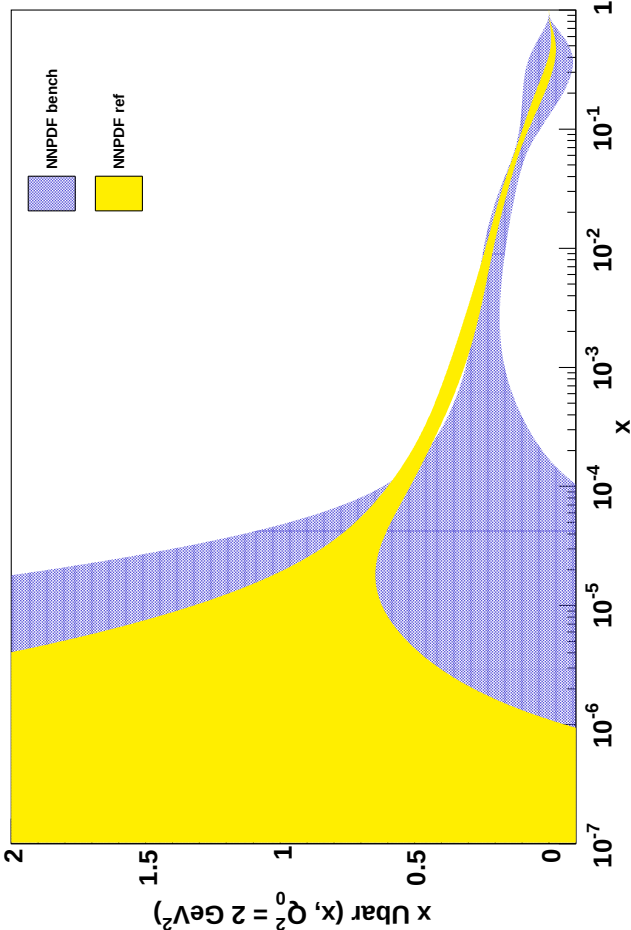
from 3161 to 773 datapoints
 reduced info on small x sea (no low Q^2 data)
 & large x valence (no neutrino data.)

NAME	DATA POINTS	TARGET
NMC_PD	73	F_2^d / F_2^p
NMC	95	F_2^p
BCDMS	322	F_2^p
ZEUS97	206	F_2^p
H1Lx97	77	F_2^p
TOTAL	773	F_2^p

UP QUARK



UP ANTIQUARK

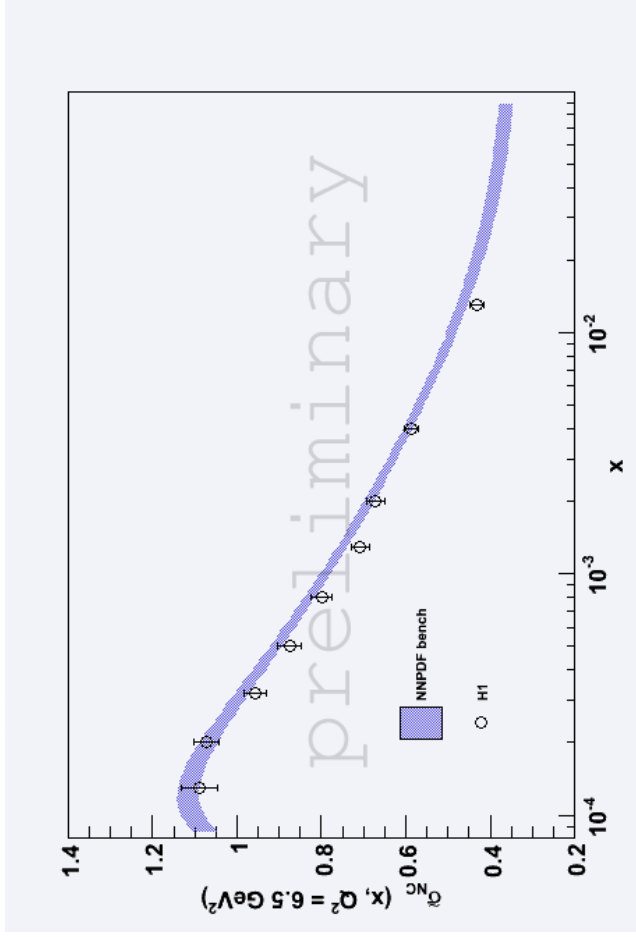
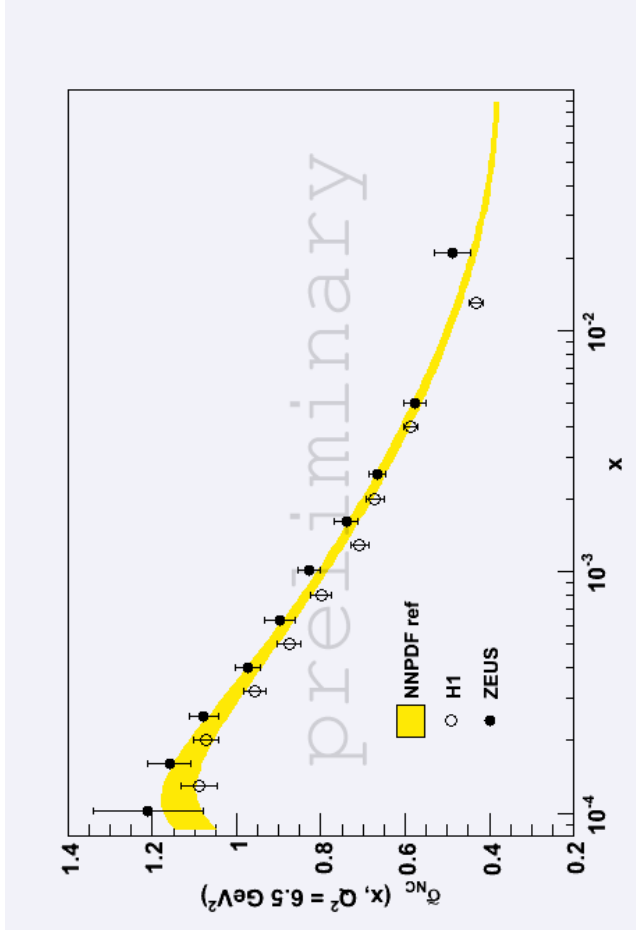


RESULTS COMPATIBLE TO WITHIN LESS THAN TWO SIGMA

PARAMETRIZATION INDEPENDENCE: THE “HERALHC BENCHMARK”:INCOMPATIBLE DATA

THE SMALL x CC REDUCED CROSS SECTION

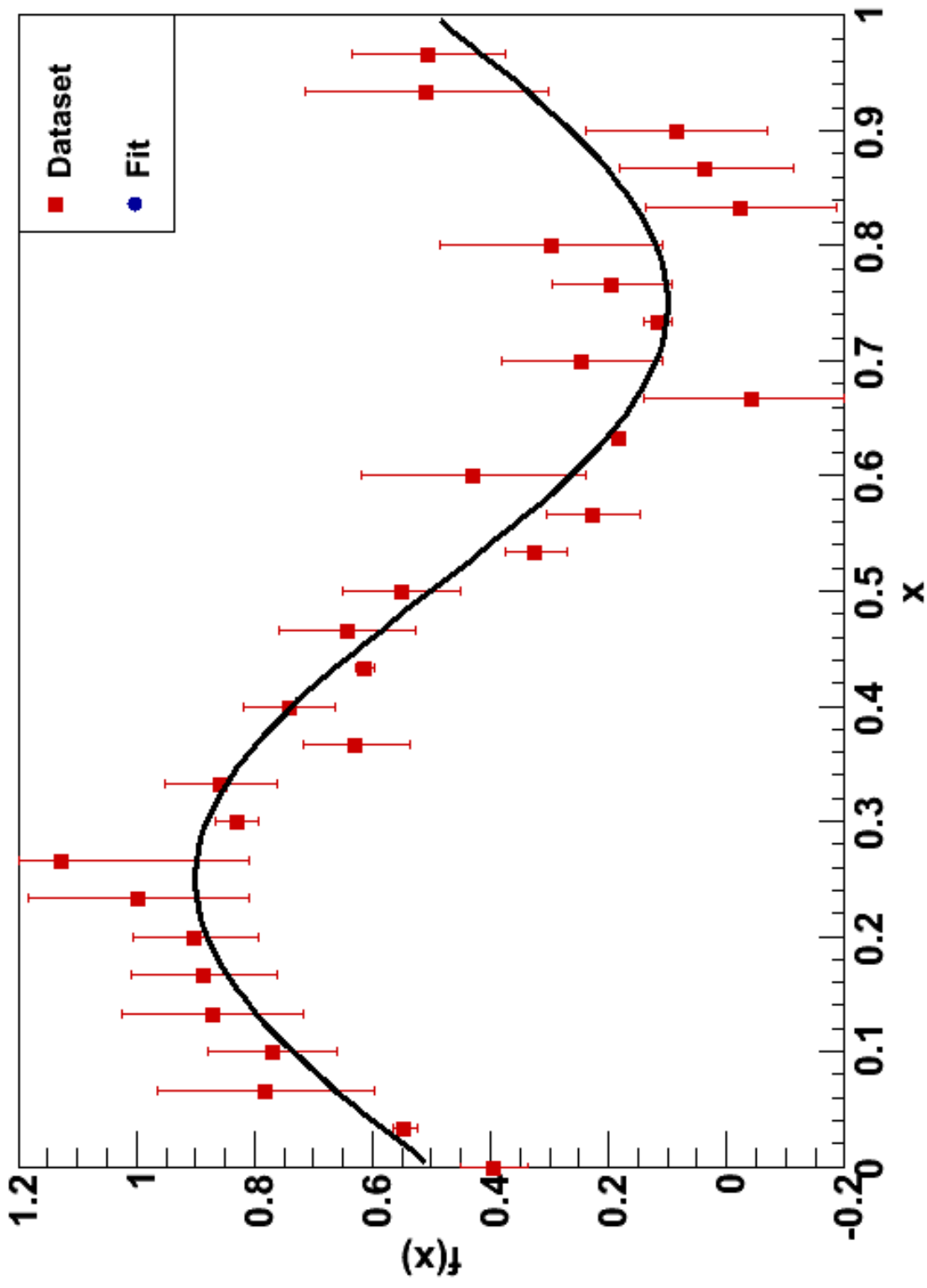
results presented at the HERALHC workshop (NNPDF preliminary fit)
FULL DATASET
REDUCED “BENCHMARK” DATASET



NO ERROR REDUCTION WHEN DATA IN WIDER DATA SET ARE INCOMPATIBLE

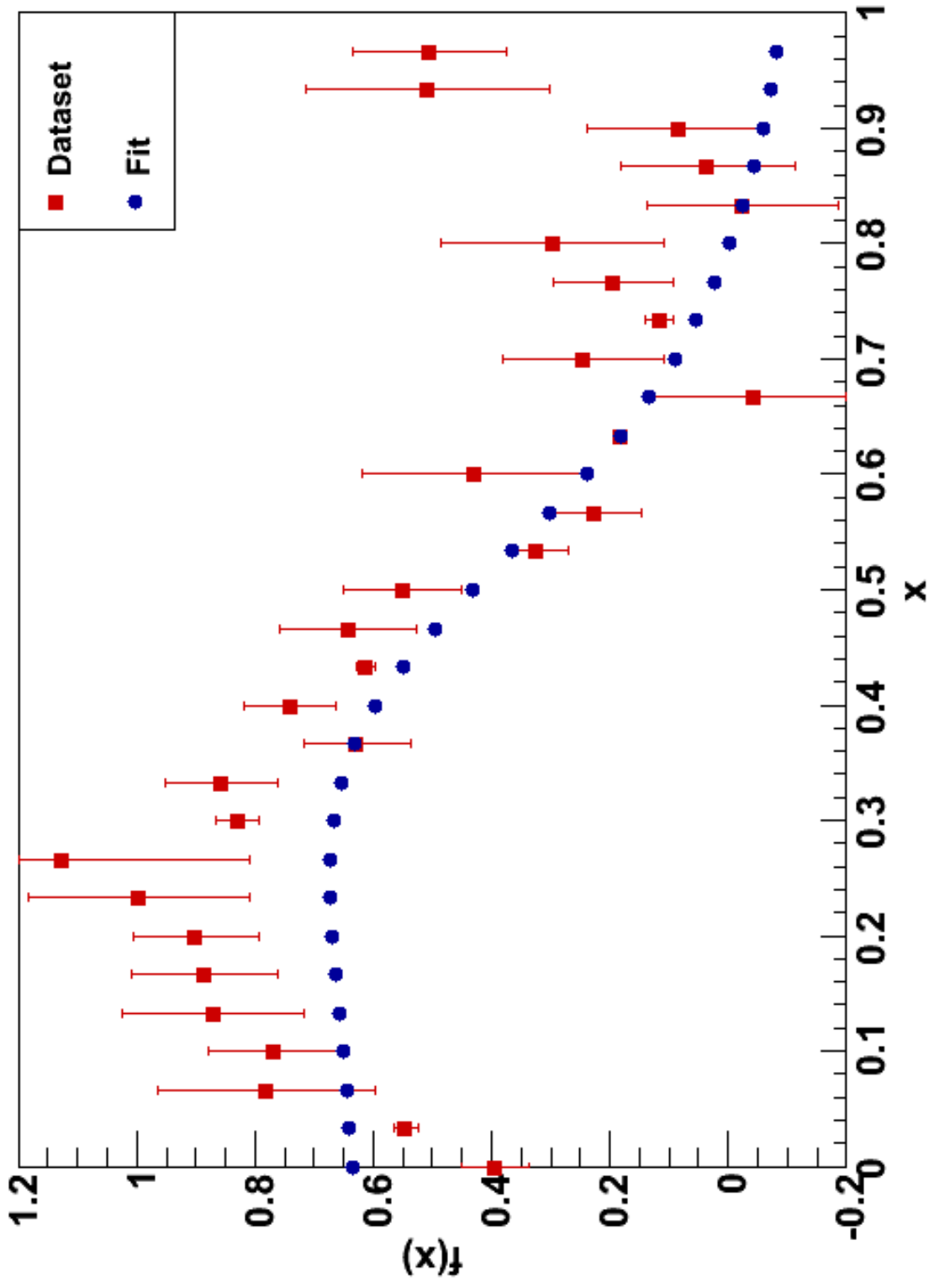
OPTIMAL FITTING VS. OVERLEARNING: AN EXAMPLE

THE TRUE FUNCTION



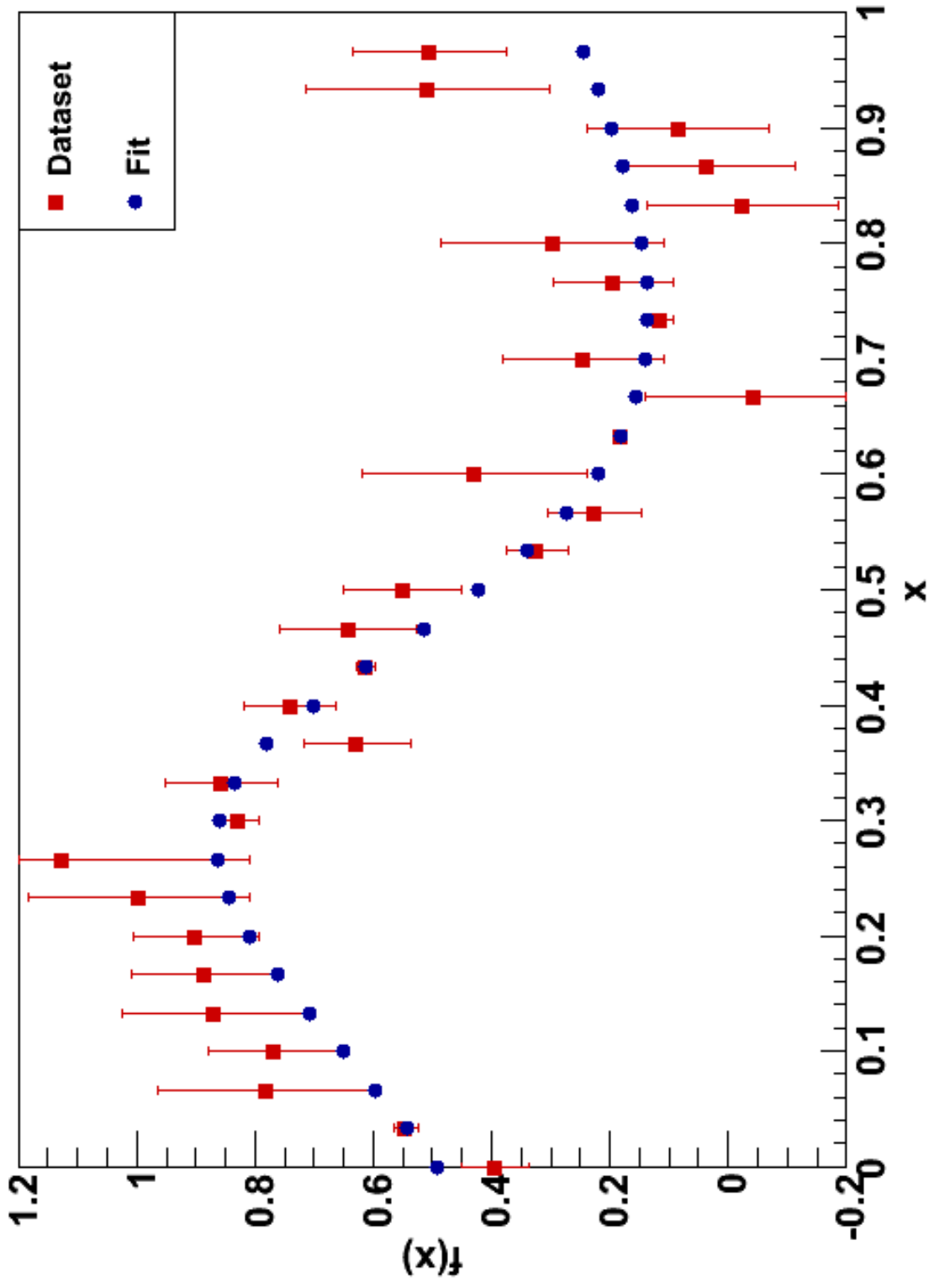
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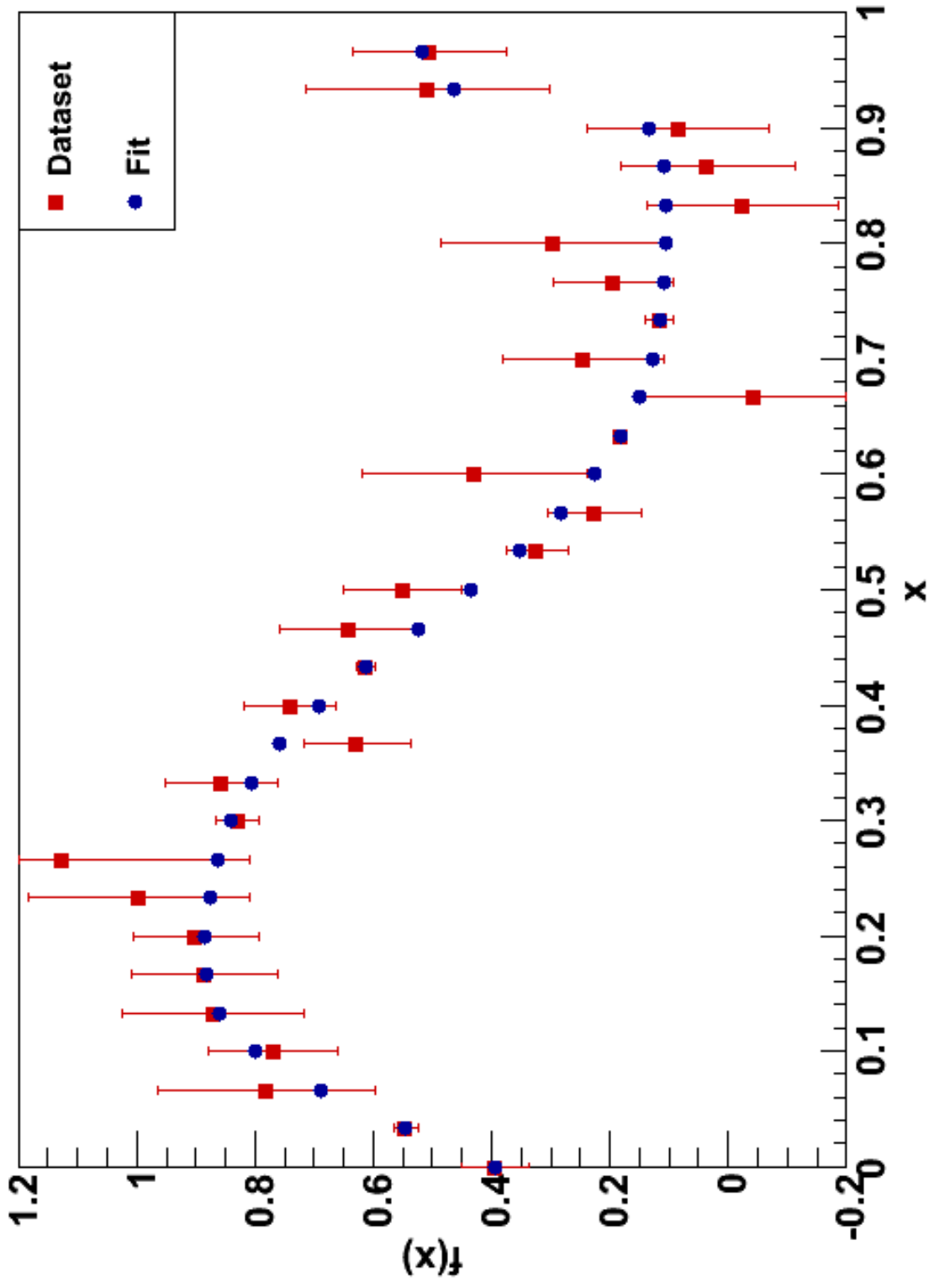
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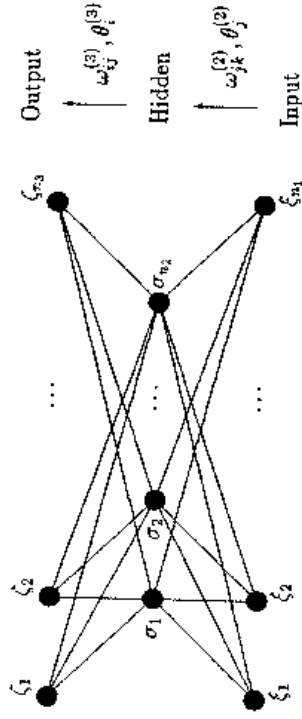


OPTIMAL FITTING VS. OVERLEARNING: AN EXAMPLE

OVERLEARNING



WHAT ARE NEURAL NETWORKS?



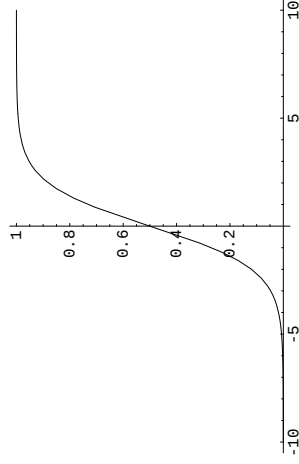
MULTILAYER FEED-FORWARD NETWORKS

- Each neuron receives input from neurons in preceding layer and feeds output to neurons in subsequent layer
- Activation determined by **weights** and **thresholds**

$$\xi_i = g \left(\sum_j \omega_{ij} \xi_j - \theta_i \right)$$

- Sigmoid activation function

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\beta x}}$$



JUST ANOTHER SET OF BASIS FUNCTIONS!

$$\text{A 1-2-1 NN: } f(x) = \frac{1}{\theta_1^{(3)} - \frac{\omega_{11}^{(2)}}{1+e^{\theta_1^{(2)} - x\omega_{11}^{(1)}}} - \frac{\omega_{12}^{(2)}}{1+e^{\theta_2^{(2)} - x\omega_{21}^{(1)}}}}$$

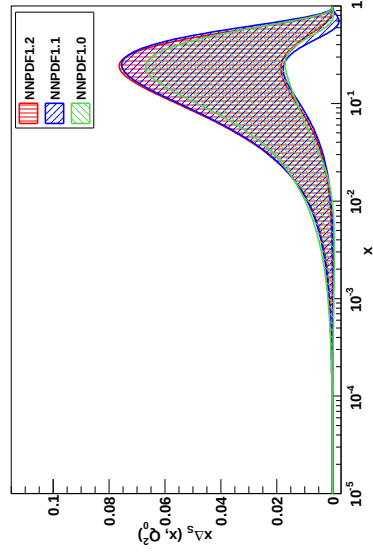
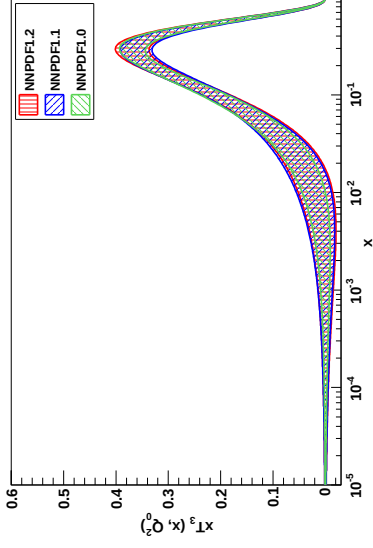
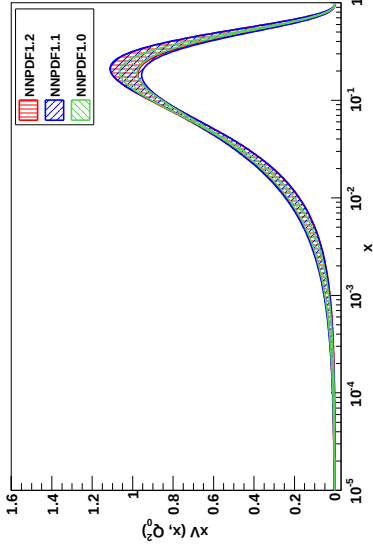
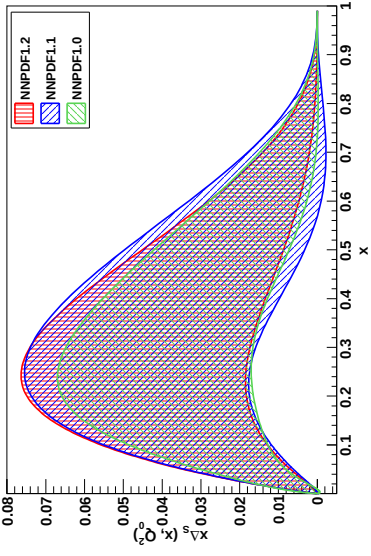
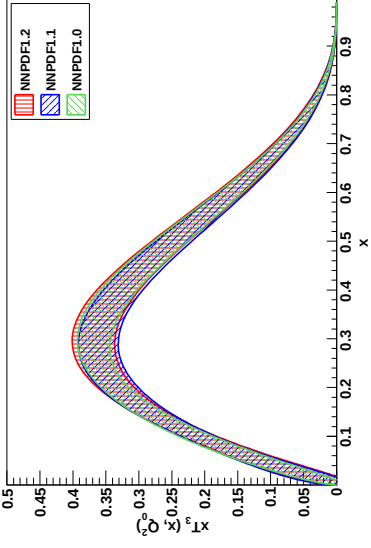
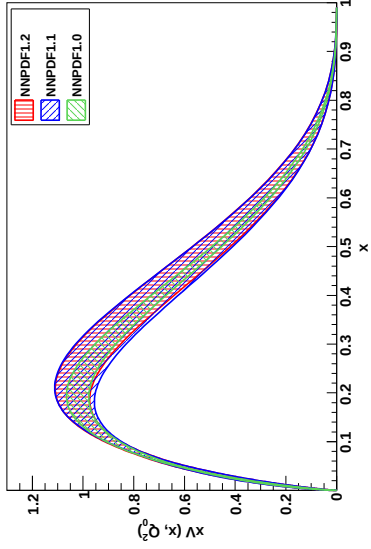
ANY FUNCTION CAN BE REPRESENTED BY A SUFFICIENTLY BIG NEURAL NETWORK
 LESS PARAMETERS → SMOOTHER FUNCTIONS

STABILITY

COMPARISON TO PREVIOUS NNPDF SETS

- NNPDF1.0: $s(x, Q_0^2) = \bar{s}(x, Q_0^2)$, $s + \bar{s} = \frac{1}{2}(\bar{u} + \bar{d})$
- NNPDF1.1: $s, \bar{s}$ (ACTUALLY $s^\pm$) INDEP. PARAMETRIZED, NO DIMUON DATA
- NNPDF1.2: $s, \bar{s}$ INDEP. PARAMETRIZED, DIMUON DATA

NONSTRANGE PDFS



DETERMINING STRANGENESS

COMPARISON TO OTHER NNPDF SETS

- CTEQ6.6: $s = \bar{s}$, s^+ PARM W. TWO FREE PARAMETERS
- MSTW08: s^+ & s^- PARM W. TWO FREE PARAMETERS EACH
- EVERYBODY ENFORCES STRANGENESS SUM RULE

STRANGE PDFS

