

NNPDF for experimentalists

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LHC collisions and PDF uncertainties



NLO W⁺ and W⁻ cross sections at the LHC (\sqrt{s} = 7 TeV)

G. Watt, ArXiv: 1106.5788

For many standard candle processes at the LHC theoretical uncertainty is dominated by PDF uncertainties





A reliable understanding of PDFs and of their associated uncertainties plays a crucial role in relating theory to experimental observation at the LHC.

- Precise: inclusion of as many info as possible and genuine statistical C.L.
 - Correlation in experimental systematic
 - Uncertainty treatment (normalization....)

- No theoretical bias beyond the prior theory NLO(NNLO) QCD
 - Flexible parametrization
 - Least flavor assumptions
 - Statistically sound procedure for error determination

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DIS data alone do not constrain all PDF combination / kinematical regions



Drell Yan data
→ Huge improvement in sea asymmetry and flavor separation

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FIXED FUNCTIONAL FORM:

As new data are added, parametrization is increased to accommodate fit to new data or avoid unrealistic small uncertainties where data do not constrain PDFs. What's the error associated to a given parametrization? (HERAPDF)

PDFs for the LHC The NNPDF proposal



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Monte Carlo determination of errors

- \checkmark No need to rely on linear propagation of error
- ✓ Keep into account all correlations
- ✓ Possibility to test for non Gaussian behavior in fitted PDFs

(1σ versus 68% C.L.)

PDFs parametrized by Neural Networks

- Provide an unbiased parametrization
 - (NN: ~250 params versus ~ 30 params)
- ✓ Can check independence of parametrization
- Stopping based on Cross-Validation

✓ Ensures proper fitting avoiding over-learning

PDFs for the LHC The NNPDF proposal

- ✓ Expected behavior upon addition of new data
- ✓ Use the same parametrization for all fits (> 250 param): can check own much subsets of data constrain PDFs
- \checkmark Can determine 68% CL as well as 1σ



non Gaussian behavior in extrapolation region when positivity constraints on xsec are imposed



PDFs for the LHC A brief historical overview

| | NNPDF1.0 (2008) | NNPDF1.2 (2009) | NNPDF2.0 (2010) | NNPDF2.1 (2011) | NNPDF2.1 nnlo and lo | NNPDF2.2 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| DIS (FT and HERA) | v | ✓* | ~ | • | v | ~ |
| HERA combined | × | × | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Drell-Yan (FT and Tevatron) | × | × | ~ | ~ | > | ~ |
| Jet data | * | × | v | v | > | ~ |
| LHC data | × | × | × | × | × | ~ |
| NNLO | × | × | × | × | v | ~ |
| Heavy Quark mass | × | × | × | ~ | > | ~ |

* added neutrino and freed strange

NNPDF for the LHC Instruction for use

- a) Download a set of NNPDF from LHAPDF <u>http://projects.hepforge.org/lhapdf/</u>
- b) Each set contains an ensemble of N replicas (N = 100 or N = 1000)
- c) Each replica is a set of PDFs given as a grid in (x,Q^2)
- d) Each replica is a equally probable candidate PDF (uniform sampling)



NNPDF for the LHC Instruction for use

$$\int_{Var} f_0 = \langle f \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N f_k$$

set=0 in LHAPDF
$$\operatorname{set=1,...,N_{rep}}$$
$$\operatorname{Var}[f] = \left\langle \left(f - \langle f \rangle \right)^2 \right\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \left(f_k - f_0 \right)^2$$

PDFs



 $E[\sigma] = \langle \sigma[f] \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \sigma[f_k] = \sigma[f_0]$ can be a xsec or any observable $Var[\sigma] = \left\langle \left(\sigma[f] - \langle \sigma[f] \rangle \right)^2 \right\rangle$ $= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left(\sigma[f_k] - \sigma[f_0] \right)^2$ OBS



NNPDF for the LHC Instruction for use



NNPDF for the LHC Instruction for use: some tips

If observable quadratic in PDFs take replica 0

Central values:

$$E[\sigma_h] = \langle \sigma_h[f, f] \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \sigma_h[f_k, f_k] \approx \sigma_h[f_0, f_0]$$

• Variances:

$$\operatorname{Var}[\sigma_{h}] = \left\langle \left(\sigma_{h}[f, f] - \left\langle\sigma_{h}[f, f]\right\rangle\right)^{2}\right\rangle$$
$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left(\sigma_{h}[f_{k}, f_{k}] - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \sigma_{h}[f_{k}, f_{k}]\right)^{2}$$
$$\approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left(\sigma_{h}[f_{k}, f_{0}] + \sigma_{h}[f_{0}, f_{k}] - 2\sigma_{h}[f_{0}, f_{0}]\right)^{2}$$

If observable quadratic in PDFs and Gaussian approximate: this way you can use less replicas

NNPDF for the LHC Instruction for use: some F.A.Q.

- Q: how many replicas N do I need?
- A: depends on required accuracy: fluctuations fall as $1/\sqrt{N}$ typically use f₀ for central values, ~ 25-100 f_k for variances etc
- Q: which replicas should I use?
- A: any random selection! all replicas are equally probable
- Q: for hadronic xsecs, should I use the exact or approx formulae? A: error from using approx is O(Var/E²)

(so for typical 10% uncertainty, error is O(1%)) and variance formula neglects nonGaussian errors

PDFs for the LHC Some comparisons



LHC 7 TeV, VRAP









PDFs for the LHC Some comparisons





• Towards increasing agreement among global fits

- Choice of parameters such as α_{s} (and heavy quark masses) are increasingly relevant

• As LHC data become more precise they will be able to discriminate between different PDF sets

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V. Radescu, DIS2011

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Can LHC data help in this direction by providing more info on PDFs and thereby reduce their uncertainties & discriminate between PDF sets?

LHC for PDFs Towards a collider only fit?





- No fixed target data → No low energy troubles (nuclear corrections, higher twists...)
- HERA + Tevatron:
 - Good accuracy for gluon
 - Loss of accuracy for flavor separation and strange
 - What about HERA + Tevatron + LHC?

LHC for PDFs Towards a collider only fit?



- Medium and large x gluon
 - ✓ Prompt photons
 - Precision jets
- Light flavors and flavor separation at medium and small x
 - Low mass DY
 Z rapidity distributions
 W asymmetry
- Strangeness and heavy flavors
 - ✓ W+c
 ✓ Z+c
 ✓ Z+b

LHC for PDFs Towards a collider only fit?



LHC for PDFs A tool: Bayesian reweighting

R.D.Ball et al. ArXiv:1012.0836

Inspired by Giele and Keller [hep-ph/9803393]

- The N_{rep} of a Monte Carlo fit give the probability density in the space of PDFs
- Expectation values are MC integrals, same for errors, correlations...
- We can assess the impact of including new data in the fit by updating the probability density distribution
- It can be done also in Hessian parton fit [LHCb De Lorenzi McNulty studies]

Refitting:

 Whenever add new data, need to do full refitting, tune parametrization and statistic treatment

Can be done only by PDF fitting collaborations themselves.

Reweighting:

✓ Immediate: no need to refit

 ✓ Anybody can do it just evaluating weights with each replica of a PDF set and producing a new PDF set through unweighting





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What should we do?



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☑ Compute χ^2_k d.o.f. to the NEW data for each error set (or replica) k of the initial ensemble with any of your favorite code (MCFM, DYNNLO, APPLGRID ...)

 \blacksquare Assign a weight w_k

 $w_k \propto (\chi_k^2)^{\frac{1}{2}(n-1)} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\chi_k^2}$

higher weight for replicas with $\chi^2 {\sim} 1$



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From uniform sample to weighted sample! $\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \int \mathcal{O}[f] \mathcal{P}(f) Df = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \mathcal{O}[f^{(k)}]$

$$\left\langle \mathcal{O} \right\rangle_{\text{new}} = \int \mathcal{O}[f] \mathcal{P}_{\text{new}}(f) \mathcal{D}f = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} w_k \mathcal{O}[f^{(k)}]$$

NNPDF2.1 dataset



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check if and how PDFs, their uncertainties and predictions for observable change upon addition of new data

✓ assess how much constraining are the new data by computing N_{eff} replicas: if N_{eff} << N new data are constraining or incompatible

Last step: unweighting

From reweighted ensemble to unweighted one for usual LHAPDF interface

From reweighted set construct unweighted "normal" set
Reweighted ensemble and uniform ensemble obtained by unweighting are statistically equivalent if N_{eff} is large enough

 NNPDF2.2 is the first PDF analysis which will include LHC data

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0,1,..., N⁽²⁾_{rep}

copies of rep 2...

Each w_k can be either

Take w₁ copies of rep 1, w₂

$$W_{k} \equiv W_{k-1} + \frac{w_{k}}{N_{\text{rep}}^{(1)}} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{w_{j}}{N_{\text{rep}}^{(1)}}$$
$$\tilde{w}_{k} = \sum_{j=1}^{N_{\text{rep}}^{(2)}} \Theta\left(\frac{j}{N_{\text{rep}}^{(2)}} - W_{k-1}\right) \Theta\left(W_{k} - \frac{j}{N_{\text{rep}}^{(2)}}\right)$$

 $\sum_k \tilde{w}_k = N_{\text{rep}}^{(2)}$ and $\tilde{w}_k = N_{\text{rep}}^{(2)$

Test #1:

Check whether it is equivalent to refitting in a well-known case

- P_{old} : NNPDF2.0 analysis based on DIS+DY data only
- P_{new}: Add Tevatron Run II inclusive JET data through RW and refitting





Test #2:

Check the unweighting procedure

- 1) Start from NNPDF2.0 DIS+DY data only
- Reweight jets data NNPDF2.0 DIS+DY+JET(RW)
- 3) Unweight the reweighted ensemble NNPDF2.0 DIS+DY+JET(RW)+UNW





Test #3:

Check commutativity

- 1) Start from NNPDF2.0 DIS+DY only fit
- Reweight CDF and D0 jet data at the same time and unweight
- Rewight CDF data, unweight, reweight D0 data on unweighted set and unweight again
- 4) Do it the other way round



unweight reweight unweight reweight D0 data on unweight d set uncontinue again unweight NORE TE ener war 0.7

Some examples Reweighting Tevatron W lepton asymmetry



Some examples Reweighting Tevatron W charge asymmetry

Reweighting analysis [NNPDF, ArXiv:1012.0836]

 ✓ It is possible to include D0 lepton asymmetry inclusive data in global analyses: no need of producing separate sets Need to encourage use of least sensitive observable – either a very inclusive lepton asymmetry or the W asymmetry itself

H. Schellman, DIS 2011

Issues with exclusive bins





Inclusive bins in p^{T}_{muon}

Exclusive bins in p_{el}^{T}

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Reduction of the valence PDFs uncertainty and on the d/u ratio!

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| | $\chi^2/{ m d.o.f.}$ | NNPDF2.1 | CT10w | MSTW08 |
|--------------------|---|----------|-------|--------|
| NLO theoretical | $ATLAS(31pb^{-1}) \text{ muon } p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$ | 0.7 | 0.8 | 3.2 |
| predictions | $CMS(36pb^{-1})$ electron $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$ | 1.9 | 0.8 | 2.4 |
| DYNNI O | $CMS(36pb^{-1})$ electron $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$ | 1.7 | 1.2 | 2.5 |
| [ArXiv: 0903.2120] | $ m CMS(36pb^{-1})~muon~p_T>25~GeV$ | 1.3 | 0.5 | 1.1 |
| | $ m CMS(36pb^{-1})~muon~p_T>30~GeV$ | 0.8 | 0.6 | 1.3 |

Some examples (preliminary!) Reweighting the LHC W charge asymmetry



Data compatible with data included in global PDF analysis
Slight reduction of uncertainty at medium-small x for light (anti)quark





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| Data/χ^2 | NNPDF2.1 | NNPDF2.1 + rwt SET |
|--------------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| $ATLAS + CMS p_T^l > 25 \text{ GeV}$ | 1.0 | 0.9 |
| $ATLAS + CMS p_T^l > 30 \text{ GeV}$ | 1.2 | 1.0 |





 ATLAS and CMS data can be added at the same time, no clear signs of tension

 Inclusion of data in PDFs fits reduces uncertainty in the smallmedium x region for light (anti)quark PDFs

Some examples (preliminary!) Reweighting TeV + LHC W charge asymmetry

| | NNPDF2.1 | NNPDF2.1 + TeV + LHC |
|----------|----------|----------------------|
| χ^2 | 2.0 | 0.7 |

✓ YES data are very constraining on PDFs but compatible with data included in the global analyses

 ✓ After reweighting the reweighted set fits very well both Tevatron (D0 muon and D0 electron inclusive) and LHC (ATLAS and CMS) W lepton asymmetry data

✓ The description of W asymmetry from CDF does not deteriorate

What about the PDFs central values and PDFs uncertainty?



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