

Dissertation Defense

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The Impact of LHC Run I
pPb W/Z data
on the nCTEQ15 PDF set

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Introduction

The Fundamentals

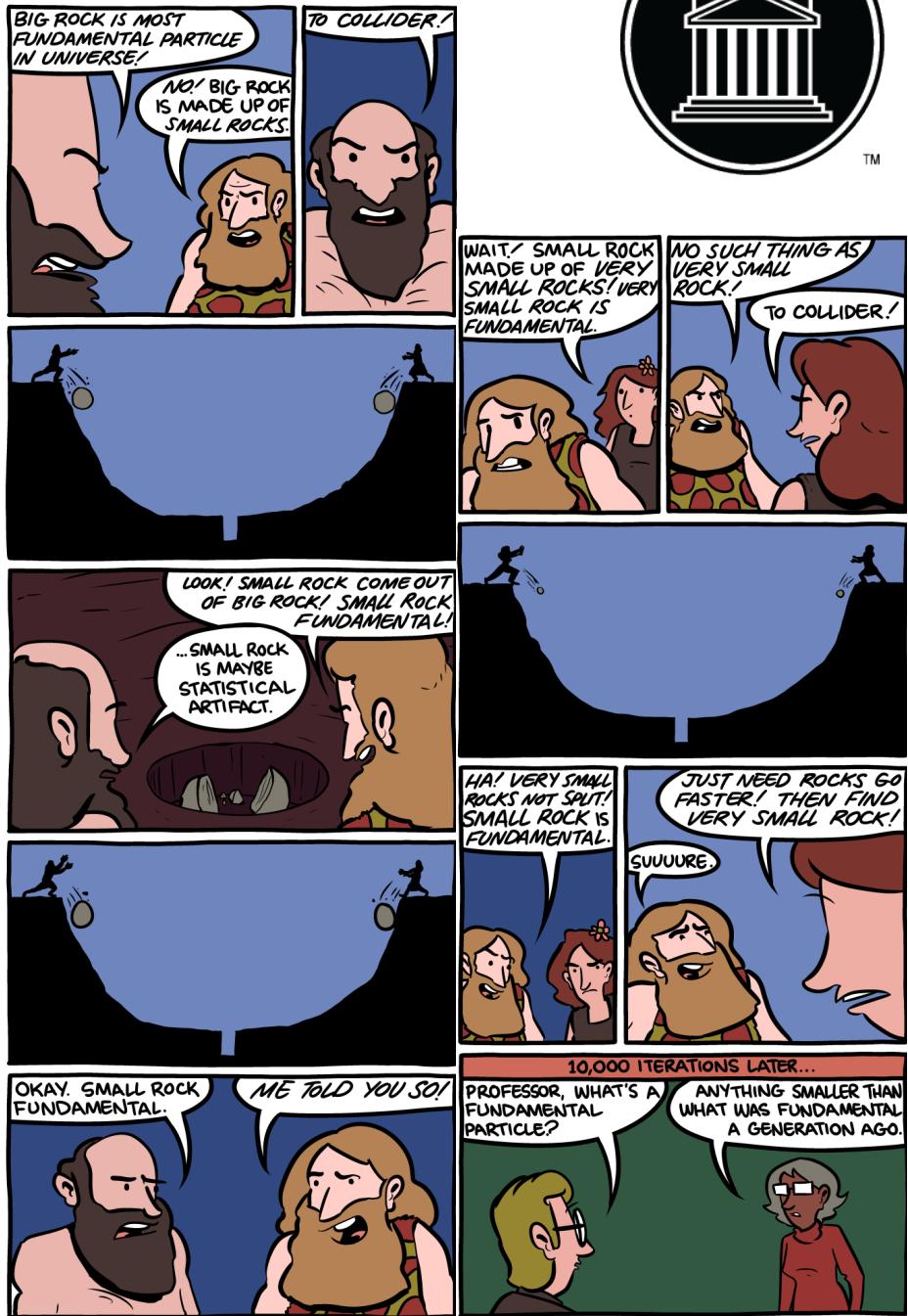
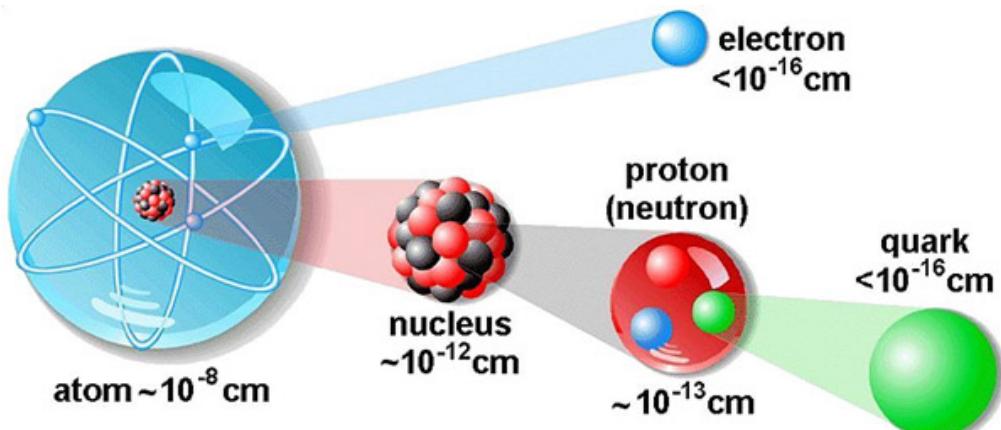


What is matter made of?

Atoms

- Electrons
- Nucleus
 - Protons/Neutrons
 - Partons (quarks)

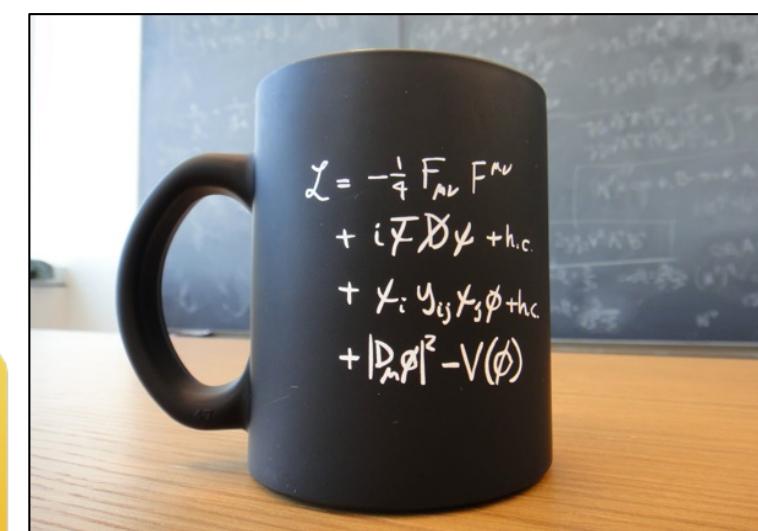
Higher energies = Smaller distances



The Standard Model

three generations of matter (fermions)					
	I	II	III		
mass	$\approx 2.4 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 1.275 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$\approx 172.44 \text{ GeV}/c^2$		
charge	2/3	2/3	2/3		
spin	1/2	1/2	1/2		
QUARKS	u	c	t	g	Higgs
	up	charm	top	gluon	
	$\approx 4.8 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 95 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 4.18 \text{ GeV}/c^2$		
	d	s	b	γ	photon
	down	strange	bottom		
LEPTONS	e	μ	τ	Z	Z boson
	electron	muon	tau		
	$\approx 0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 105.67 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 1.7768 \text{ GeV}/c^2$		
	ν_e	ν_μ	ν_τ	W	W boson
	electron neutrino	muon neutrino	tau neutrino		
GAUGE BOSONS					

$$SU(3)_C \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$$



Describes particles:

Fermions

- Quarks
- Leptons

Bosons

- Gauge
- Scalar

And their interactions:

Electromagnetic Force

Weak Force

Strong Force

Neglects Gravity

Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)



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	$<2.2 \text{ eV}/c^2$	$<1.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$<15.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$		
	0	0	0		
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The study of proton structure is governed by QCD

A hint of color (QCD)



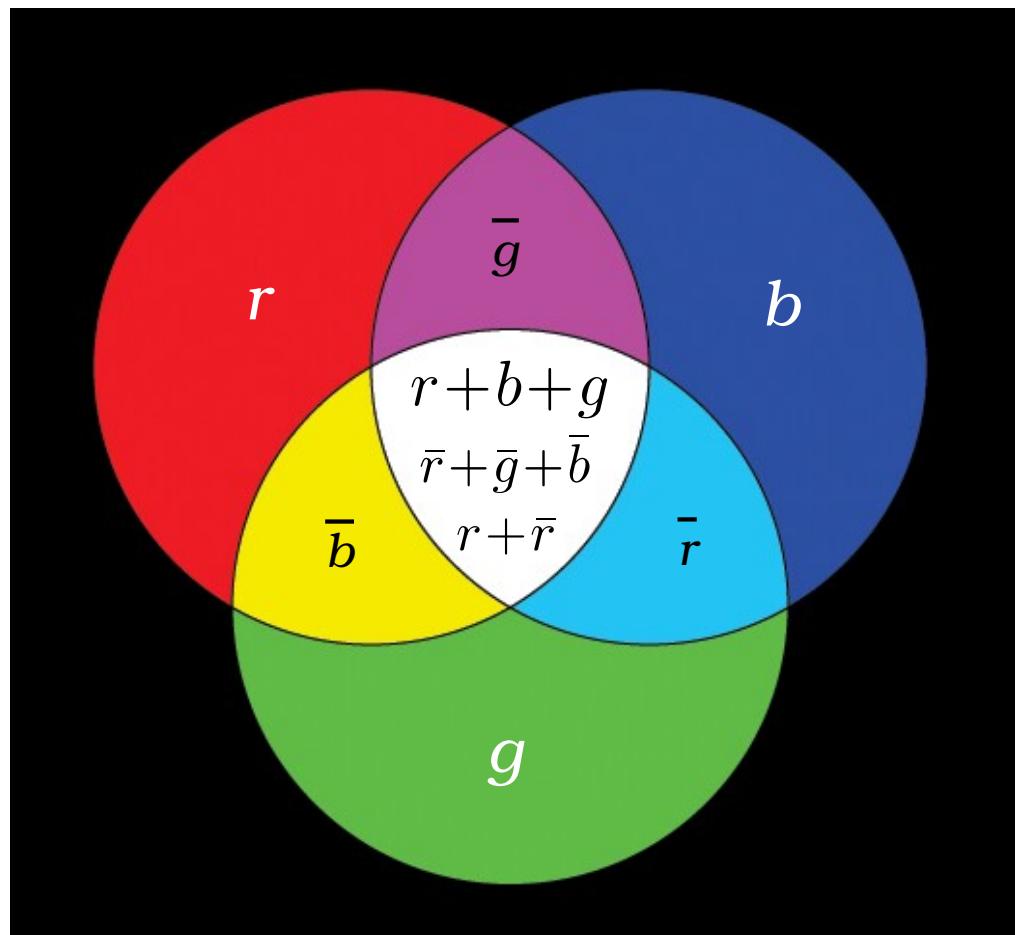
- Color Charge

- 3 colors/ 3 anticolors

- red, blue, green
 - anti-red, anti-blue, anti-green

- Quarks carry a single color/anticolor
- Gluons carry a color and an anti-color
- Nature is color neutral
 - Net color has not been observed
 - Confinement

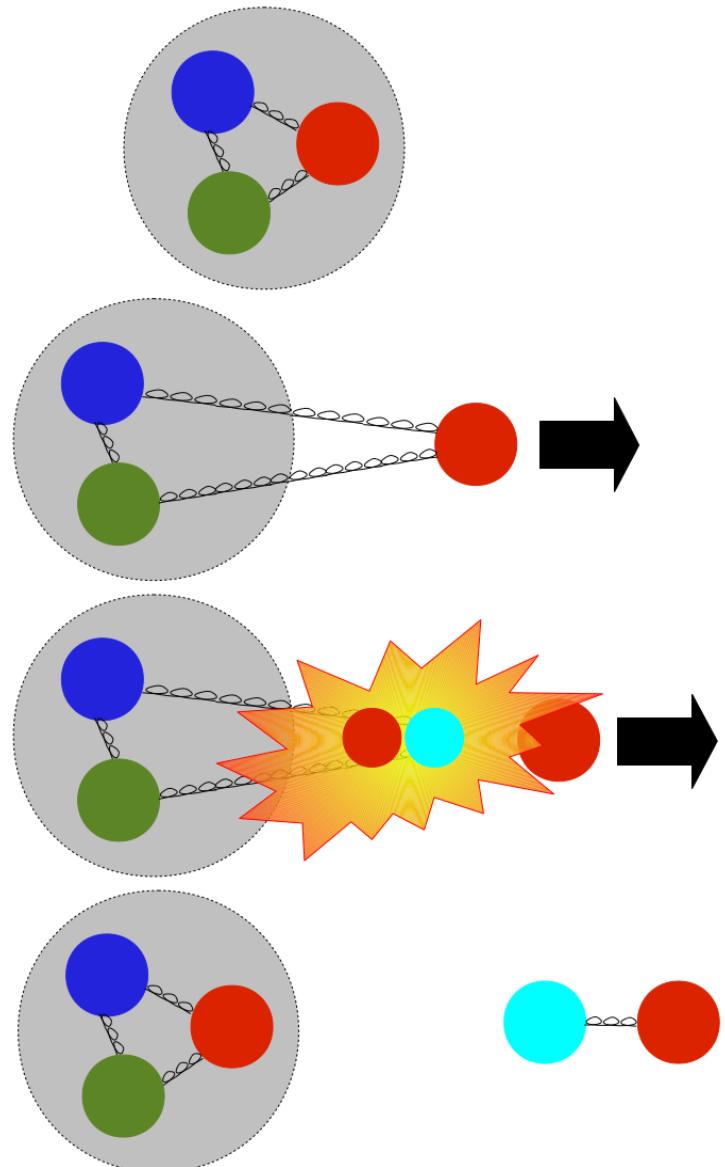
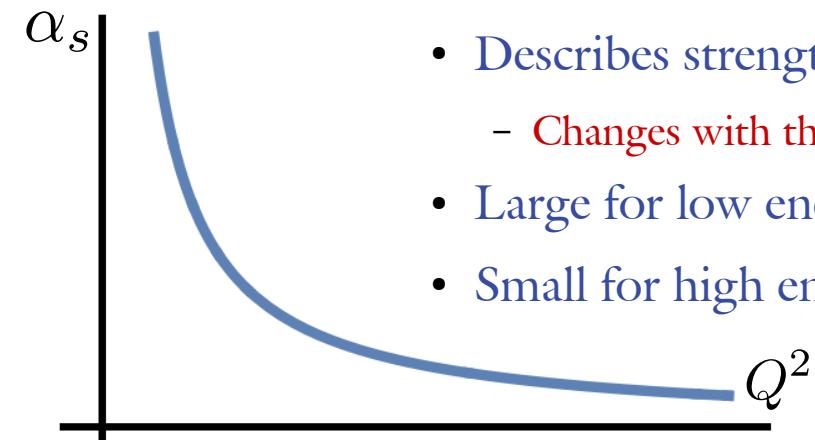
$SU(3)_C$



Asymptotic Freedom (QCD)



- Why can't I make a color “ion”?
 - As long as quarks are close together, they can move freely
 - Pulling a single quark away requires exponentially more energy
 - This energy then creates a quark – anti-quark pair that satisfies confinement
- α_s - Running Coupling Constant
 - Describes strength of QCD interactions
 - Changes with the energy of the interaction
 - Large for low energy interactions
 - Small for high energy

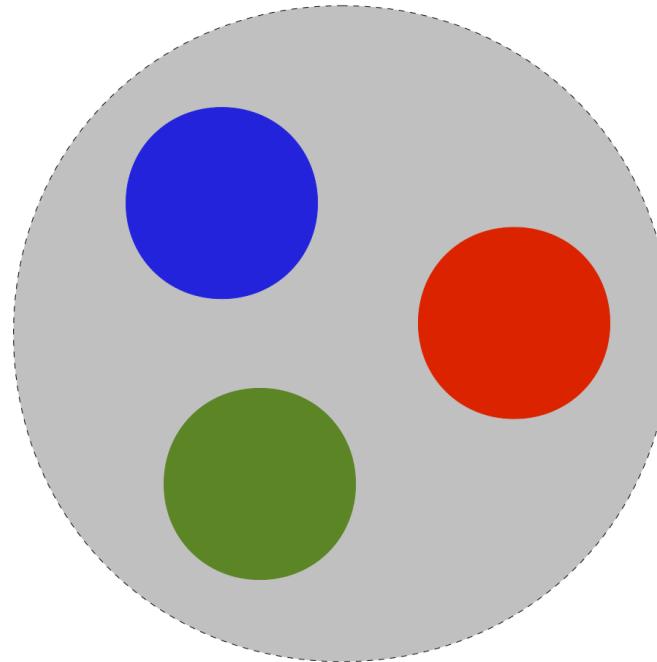


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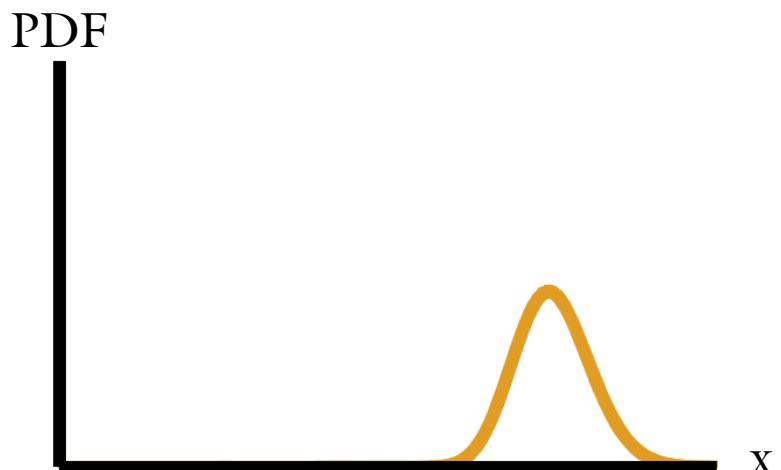
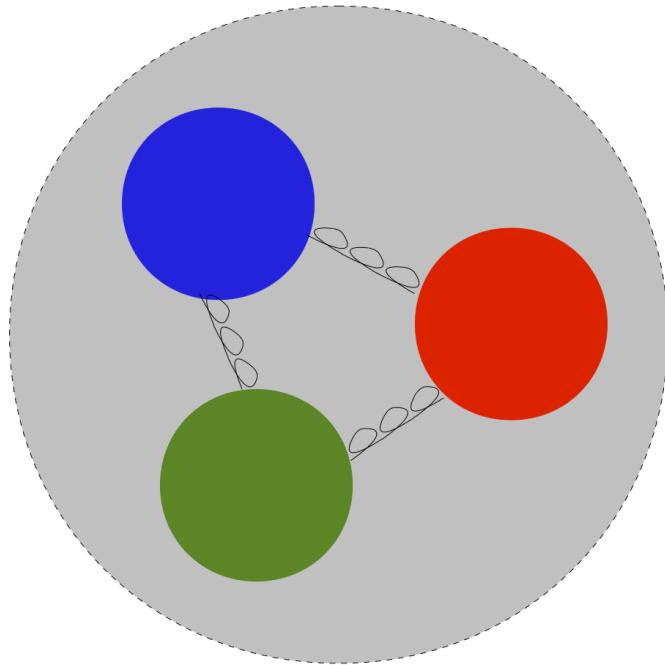


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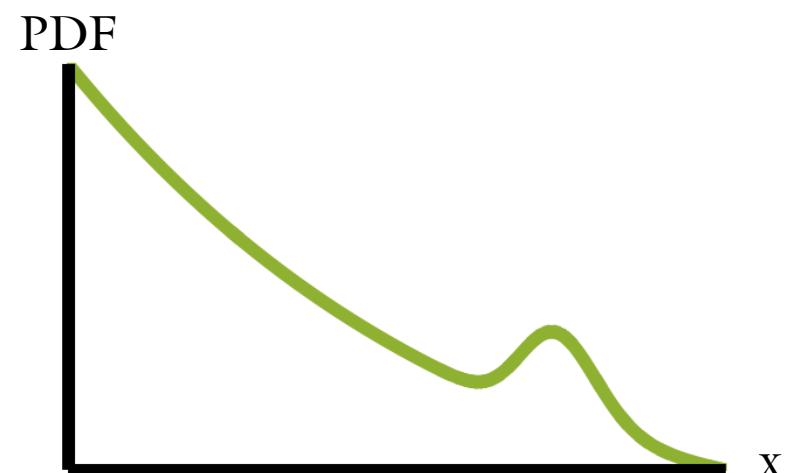
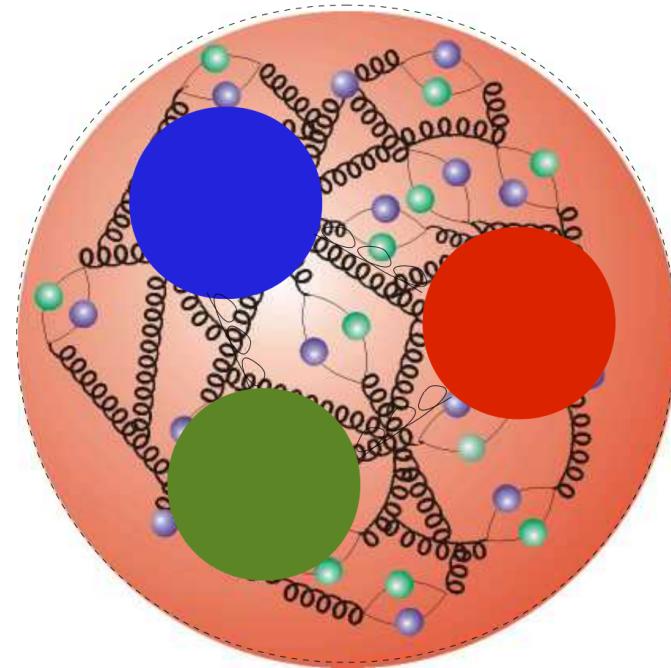


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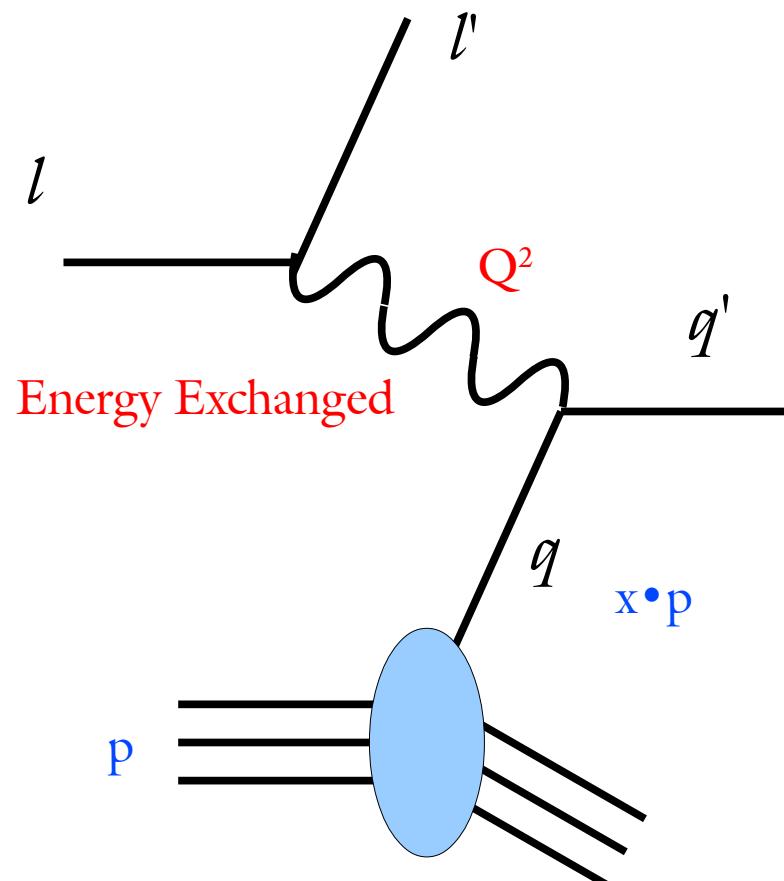


Studying Structure

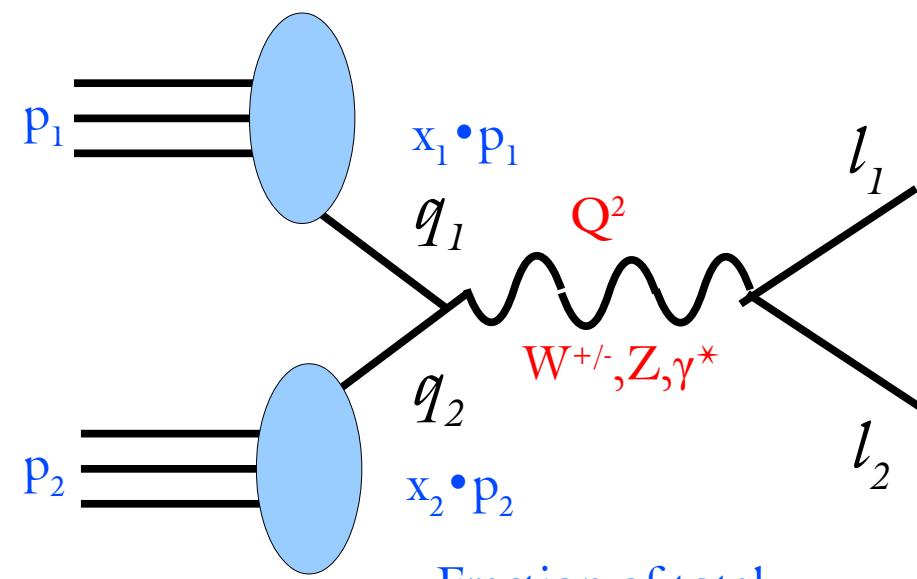


Scattering experiments provide insight into the structure of the proton

Deeply Inelastic Scattering



Drell-Yan Process



Factorization

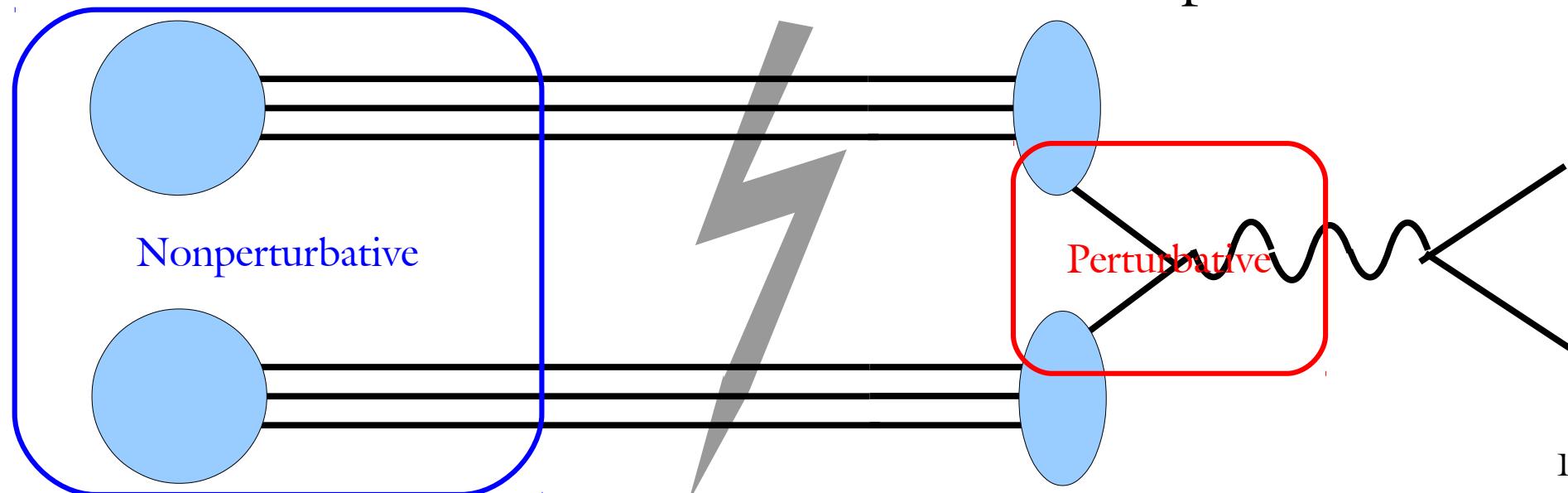


We link theory to experiment with the factorization theorem

$$\sigma_{DY} = \sum_{q_1, q_2} f_1(x, Q^2) \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{q_1 q_2} \otimes f_2(x, Q^2)$$

Nonperturbative (Long Range) Perturbative (Short Range)

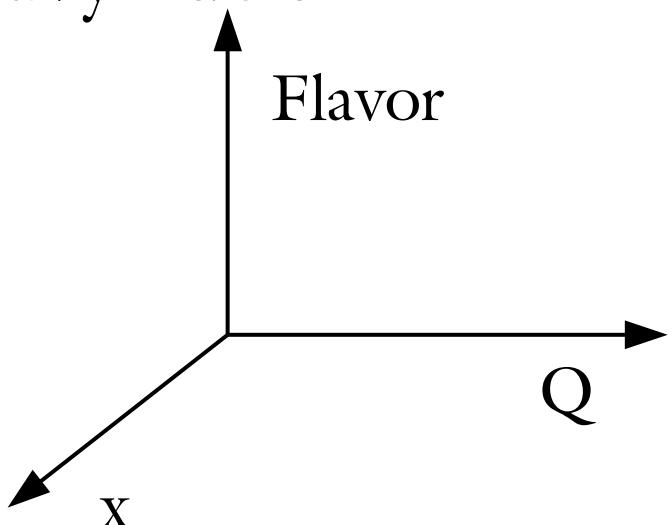
Parton Distribution Functions describe the nonperturbative terms



Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs)



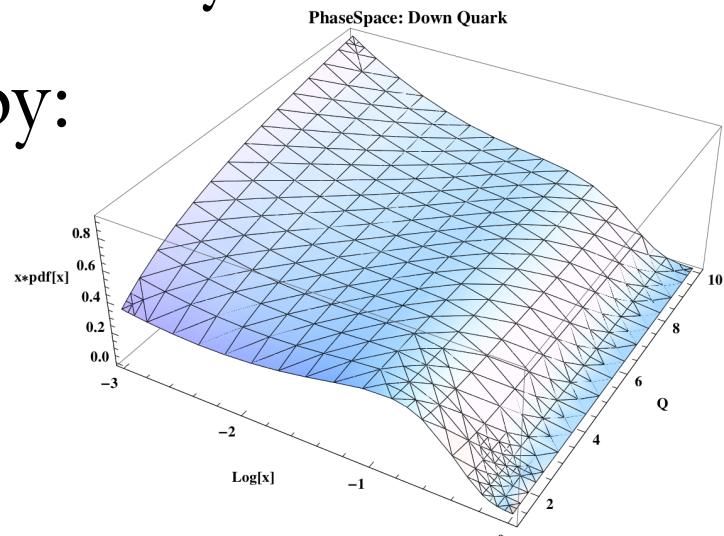
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Nuclear PDFs



Nuclear corrections are needed to describe heavy nuclei

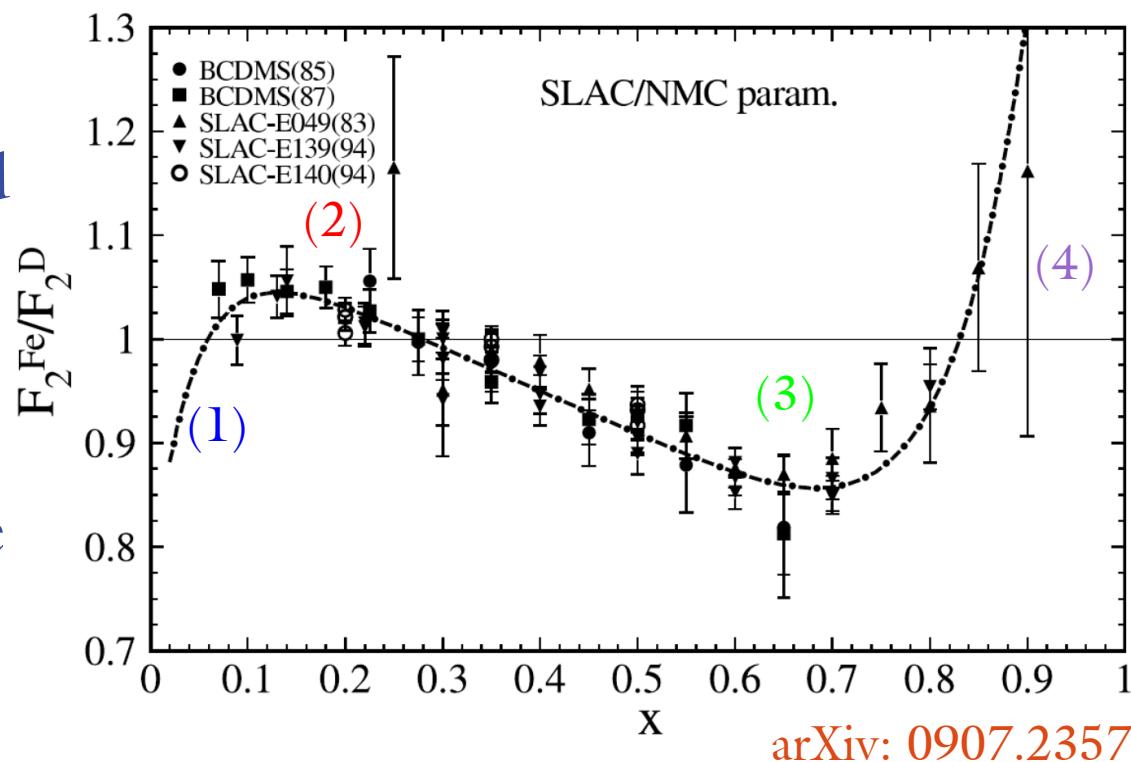
- Not just a sum of protons and neutrons
 - Partons can share momentum between nucleons
- Historically nuclear effects are described in regions of x

(1) Shadowing

(2) Anti-Shadowing

(3) EMC Effect

(4) Fermi Motion



The nCTEQ Collaboration



Formalism:

- Generalized A-Parameterization

- $xf_i^{p/A}(x, Q^2) = c_0 x^{c_1} (1-x)^{c_2} e^{c_3 x} (1 + e^{c_4 x})^{c_5}$
- $c_k \rightarrow c_{k,0} + c_{k,1} (1 - A^{-c_{k,2}})$

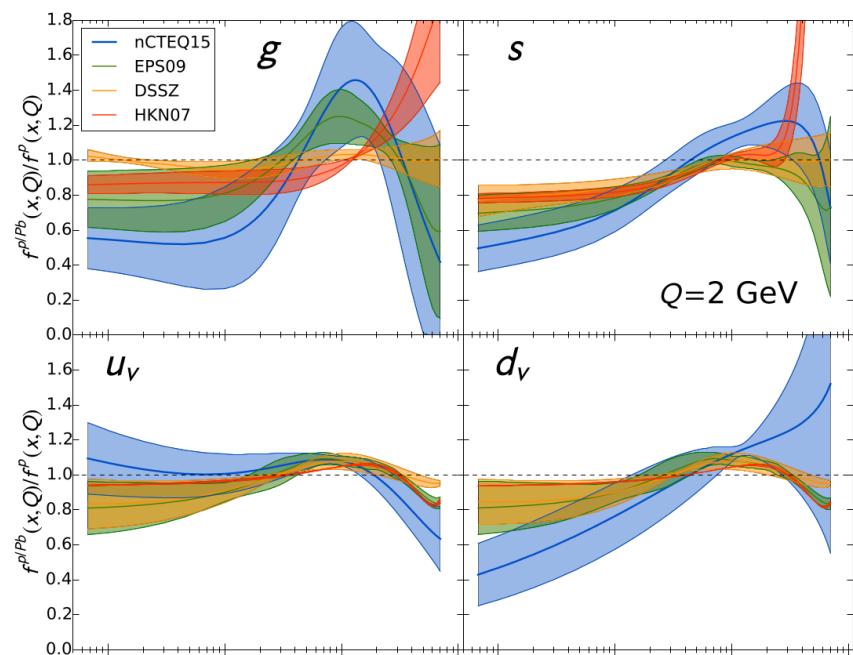
No multiplicative nuclear correction

- More parameters than proton fits

~ 3 times as many so we make assumptions

- Fewer data points

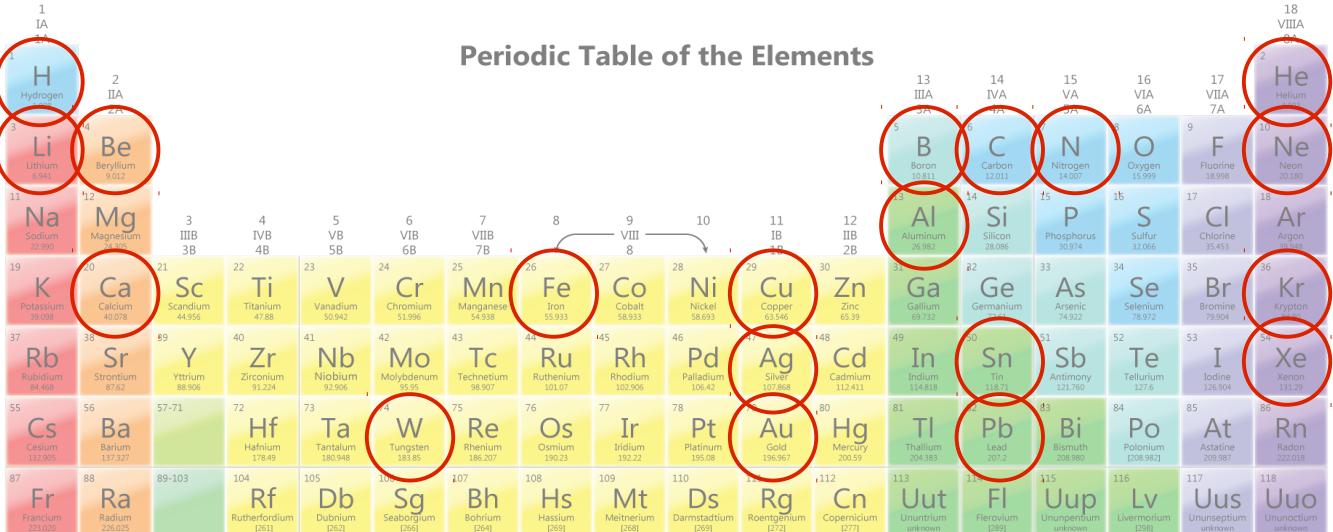
e.g. 740 nuclear points for nCTEQ15
vs 2947 protons points for CT14^[1]



nCTEQ PDFs



Periodic Table of the Elements

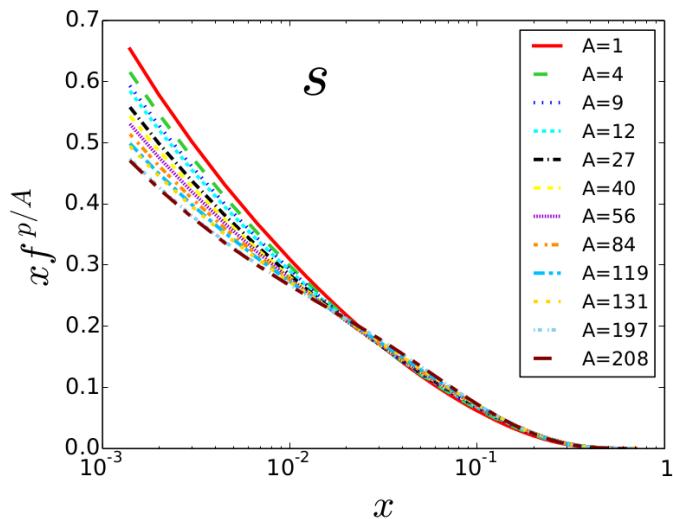
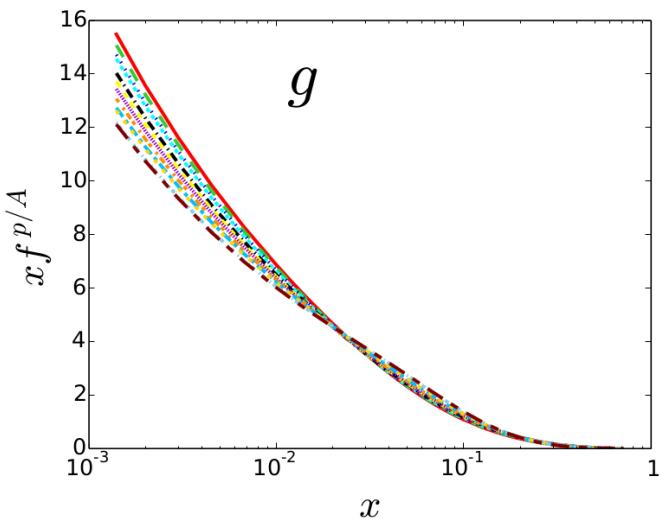


$$f^N = \frac{Z}{A} f^{p/N} + \frac{A-Z}{A} f^{n/N}$$

Assume isospin symmetry

Currently at NLO

Parameterization allows for construction of any nuclei



nCTEQ15 PDF Set



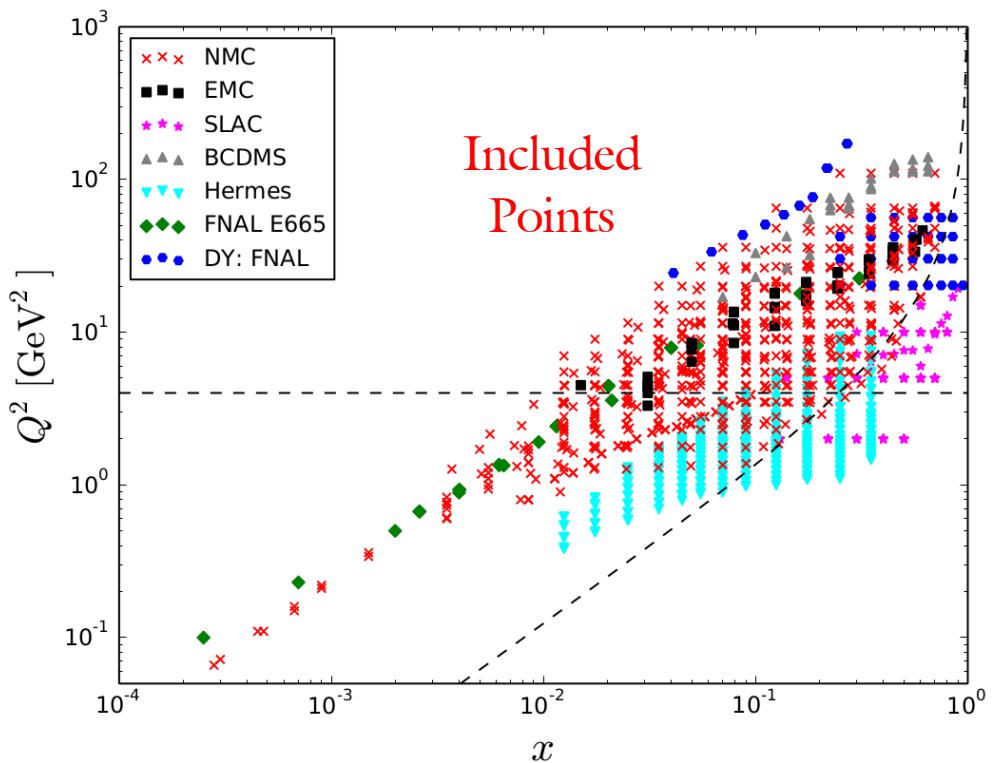
Global fit to experimental data

- Deep Inelastic Scattering
- Drell-Yan
- Pion Production Data
NO LHC data

740 nuclear data points after kinematic cuts

Error analysis with Hessian Method

- 16 Eigenvalues

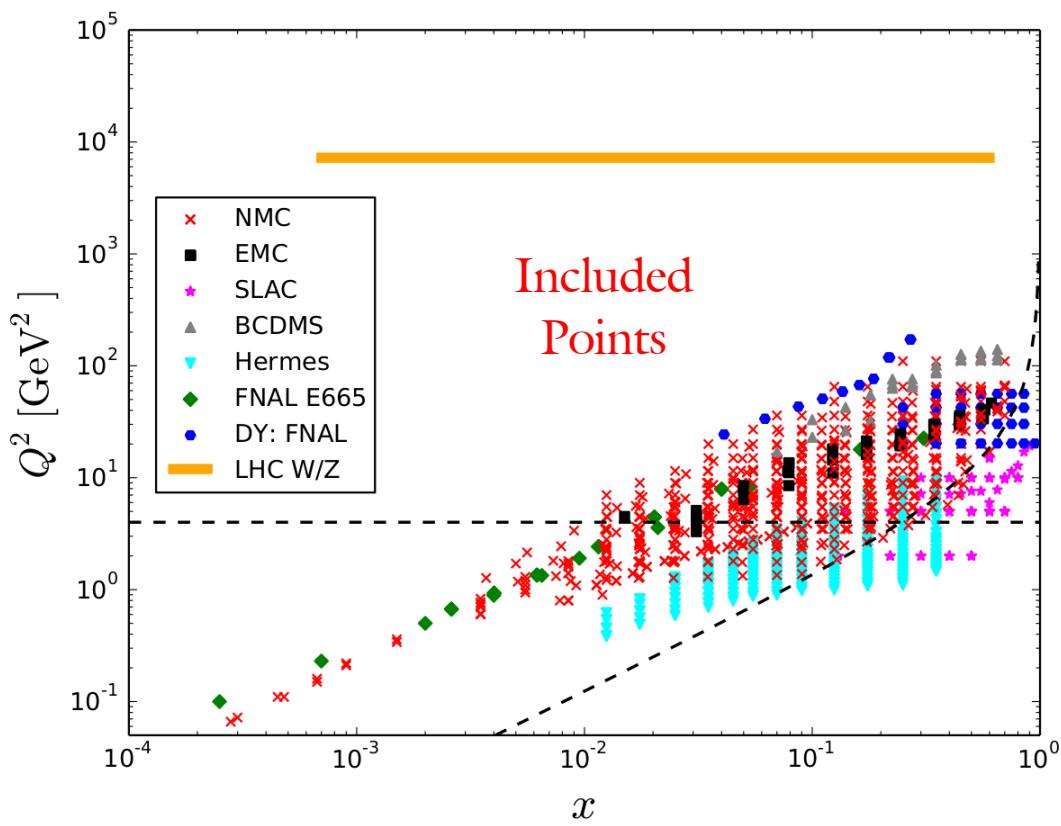


Reweighting

LHC Data for nCTEQ



pPb and PbPb collisions

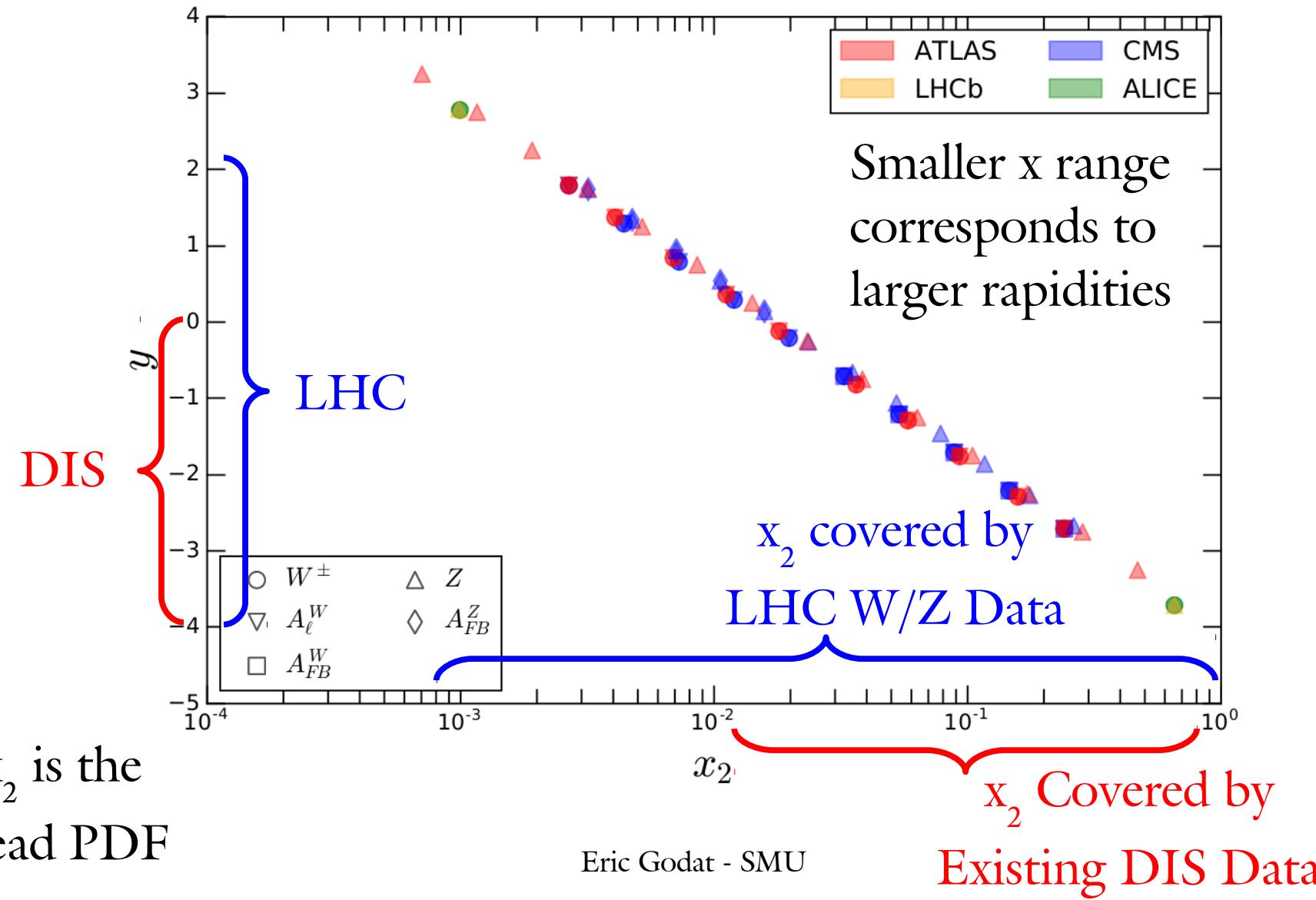


$$\sqrt{s_{pp}} = 7 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow \sqrt{s_{pPb}} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$$

$$\sqrt{s_{pp}} = 8 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow \sqrt{s_{pPb}} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$$

- LHCb: $\sigma(Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-)$
- ALICE: $\sigma(W^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu)$
- ATLAS: $d\sigma(W^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu)/dy$
 $d\sigma(Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-)/dy$
 A_ℓ
- CMS: $d\sigma(W^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu)/dy$
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 A_{FB}

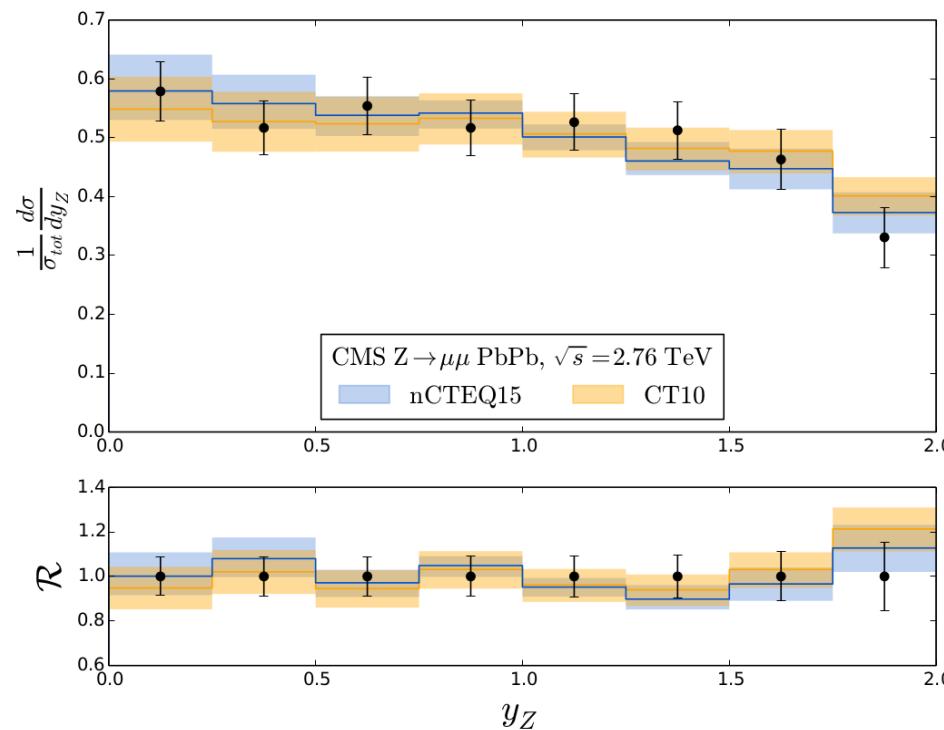
nCTEQ PDFs at the LHC



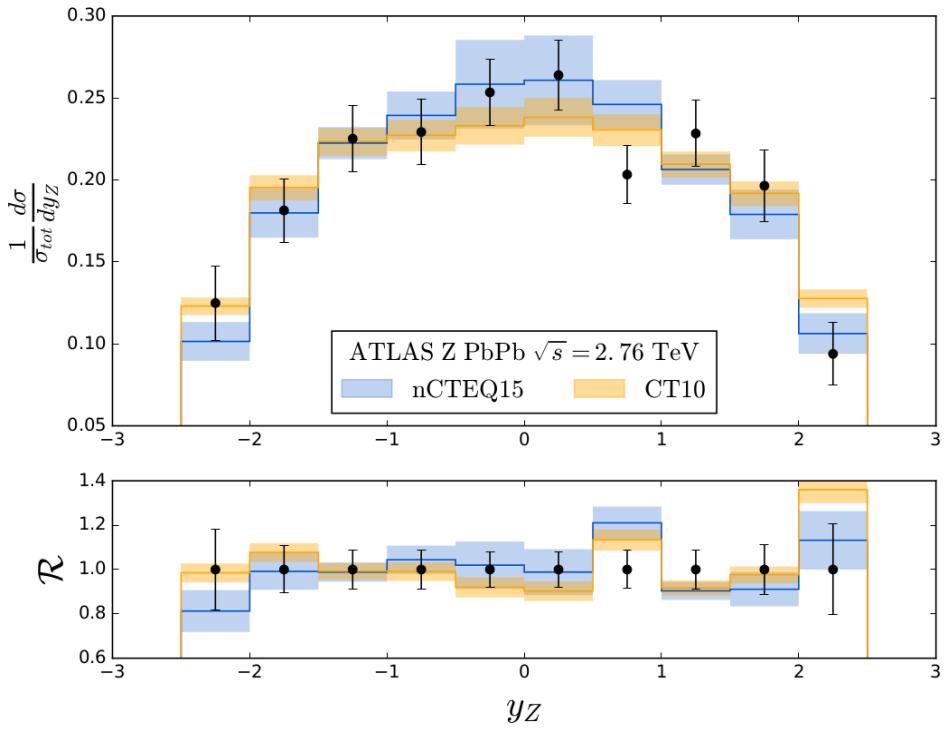
W/Z Production



CMS PbPb Z



ATLAS PbPb Z



All predictions shown at NLO

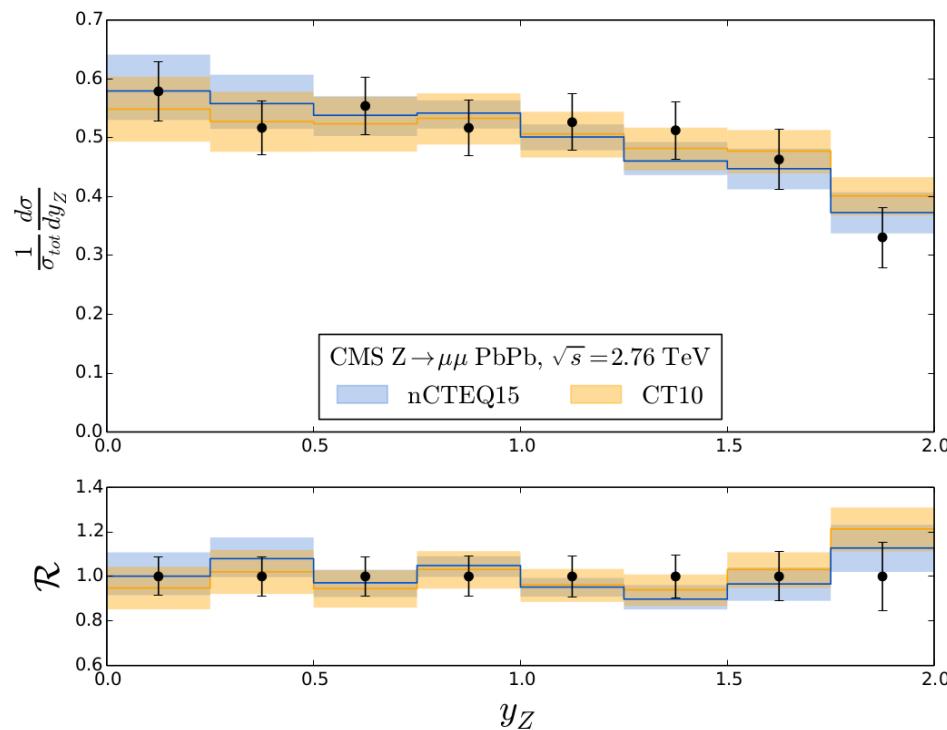
Done in modified FEWZ software which allows for pp, pPb, and PbPb collisions

CT10 nucleus constructed using CT10 free protons

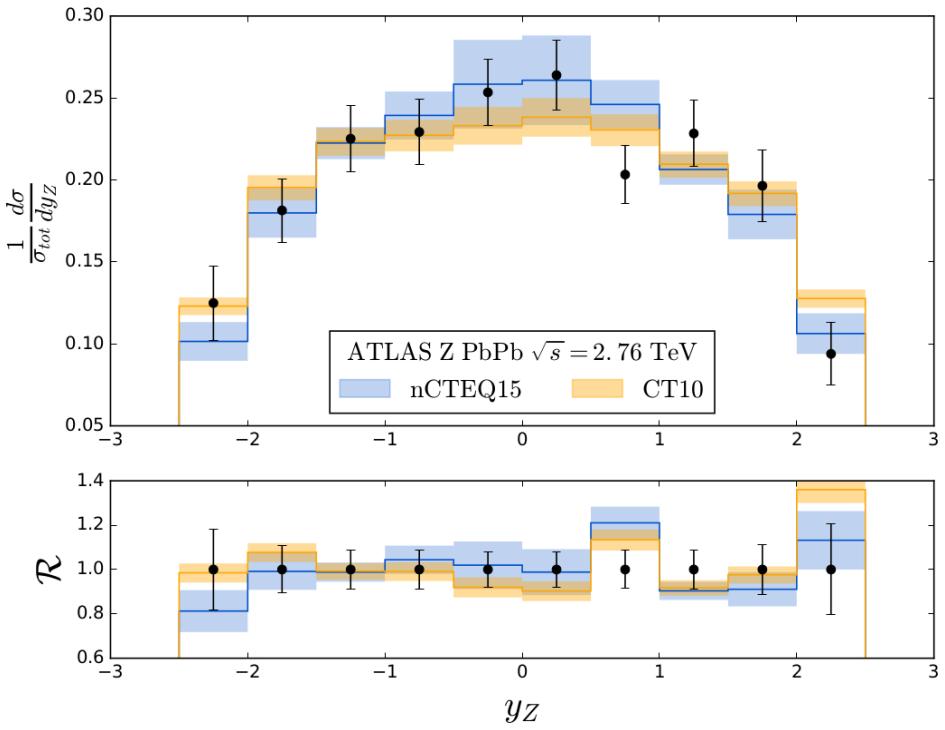
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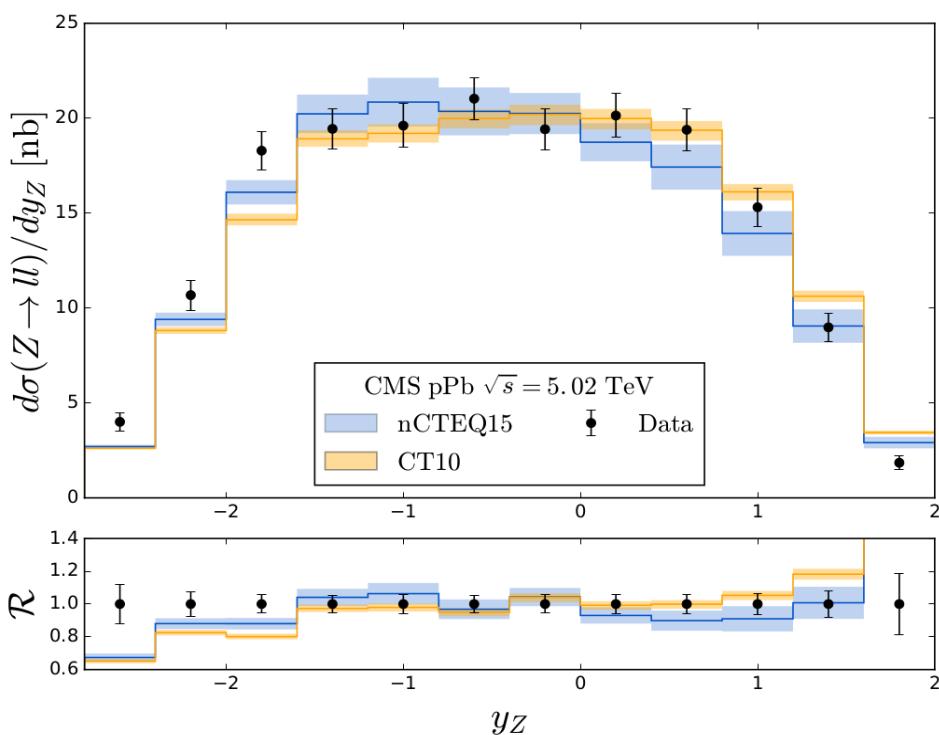
Good agreement between data and both sets

Not sensitive to nuclear corrections

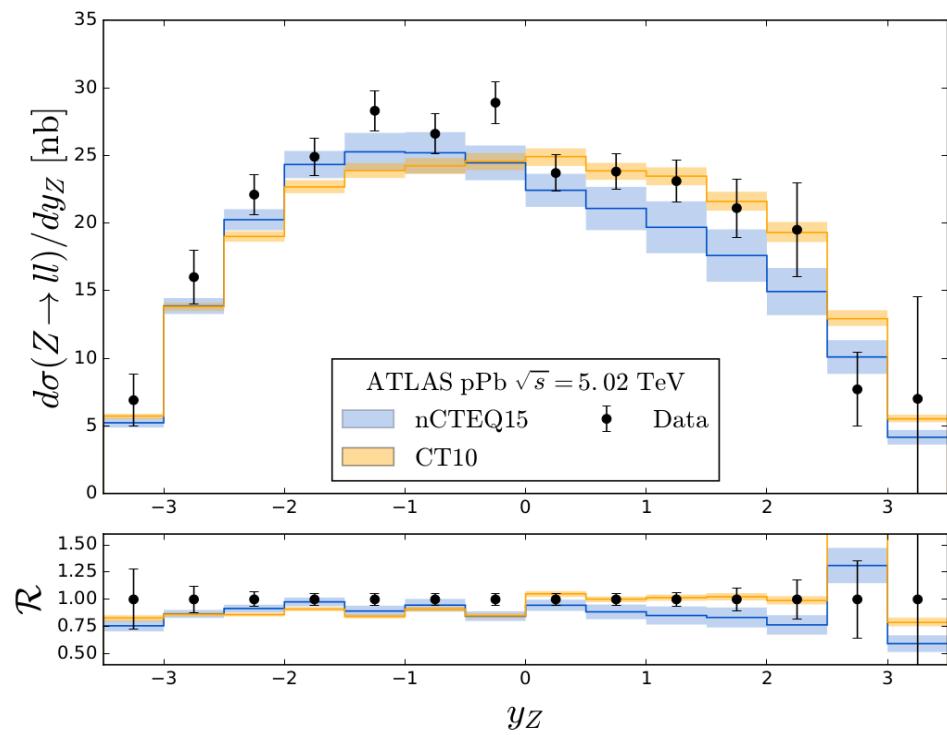
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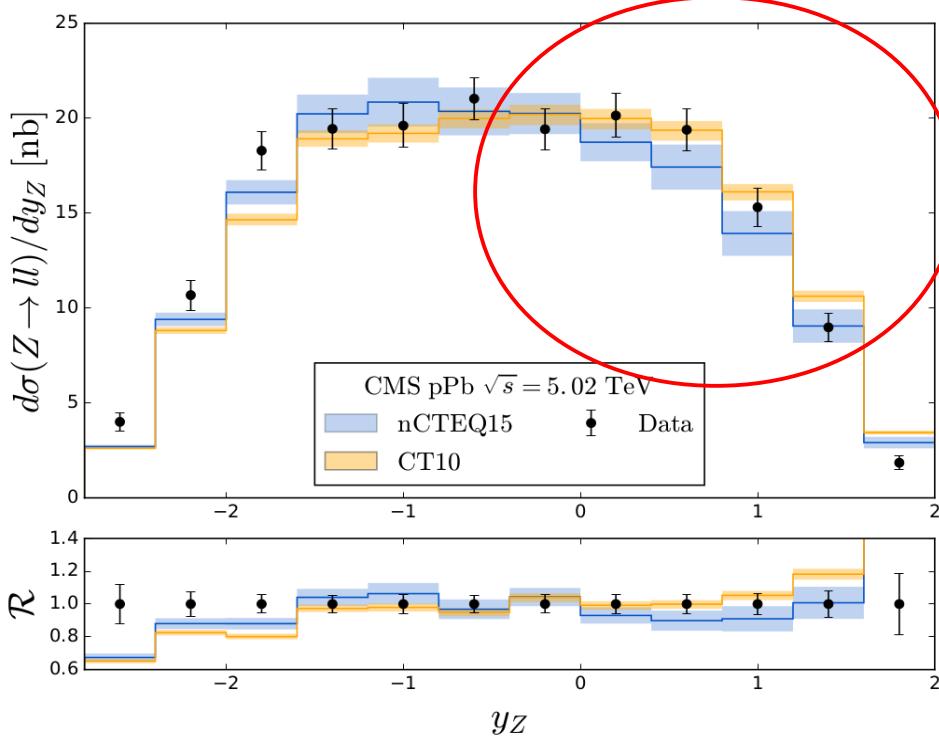
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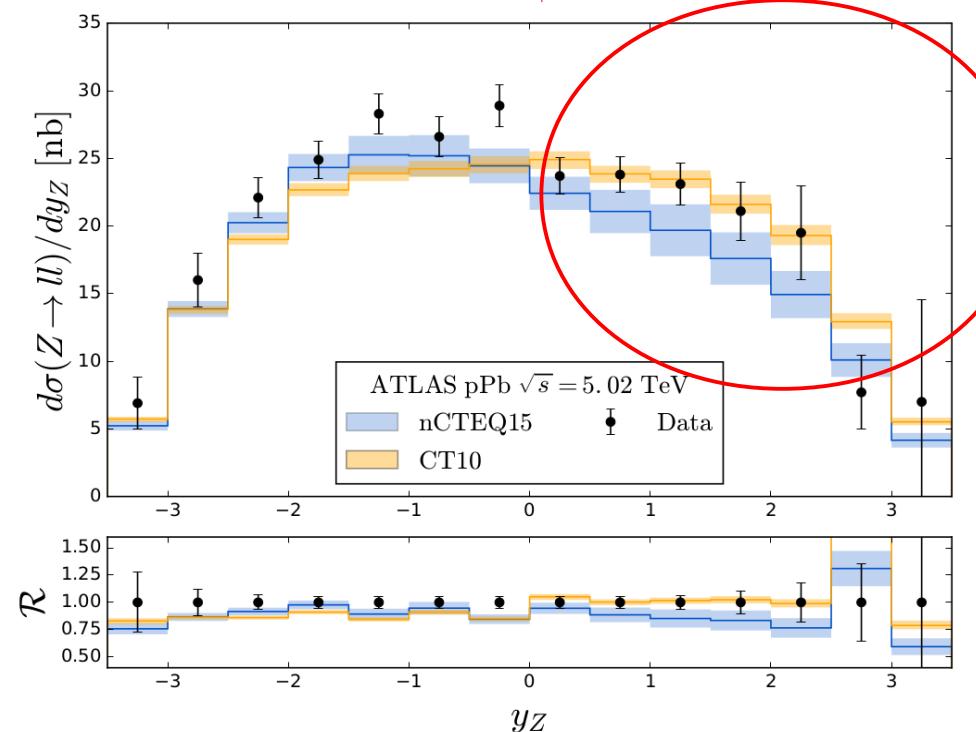
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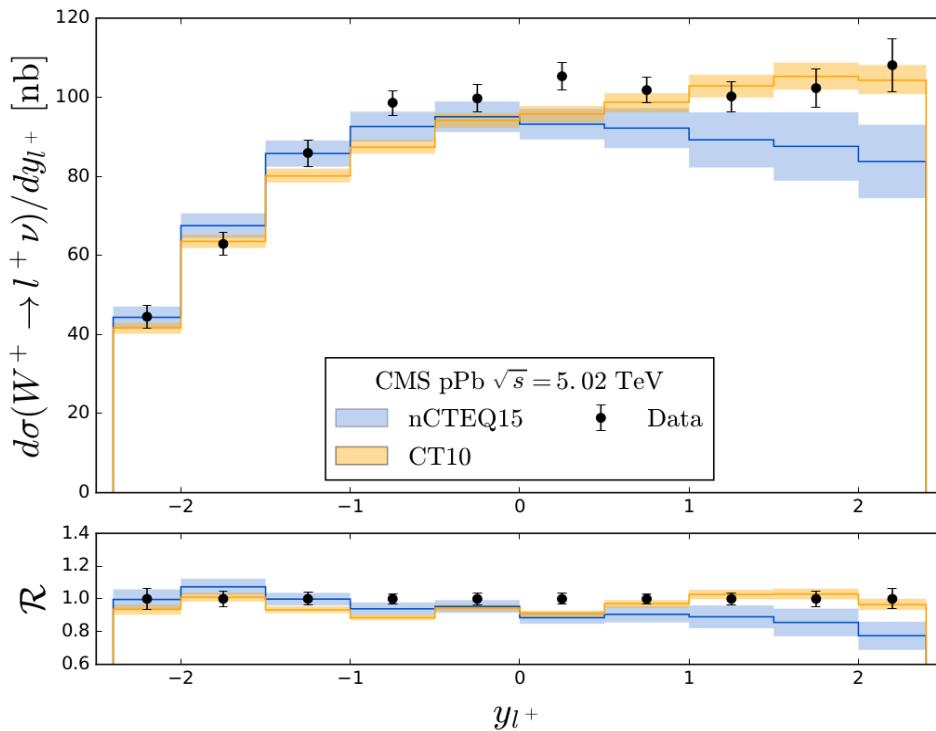
Slight deviance between data and CT10 from nCTEQ15

Good agreement for negative rapidities, the region we have data to constrain the PDF

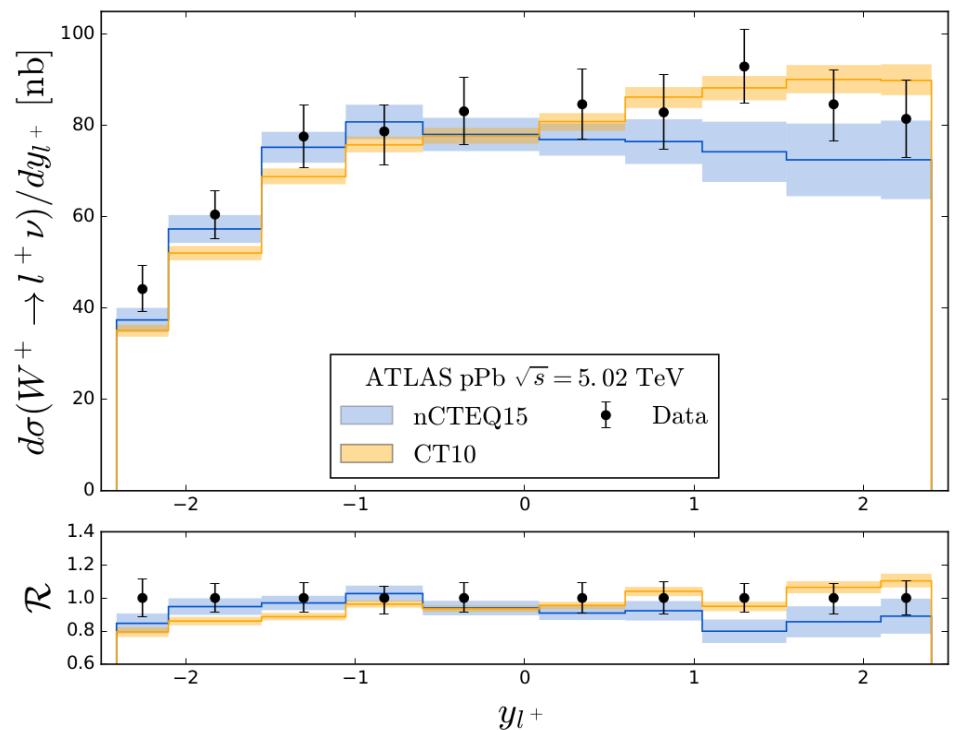
W/Z Production



CMS pPb W⁺



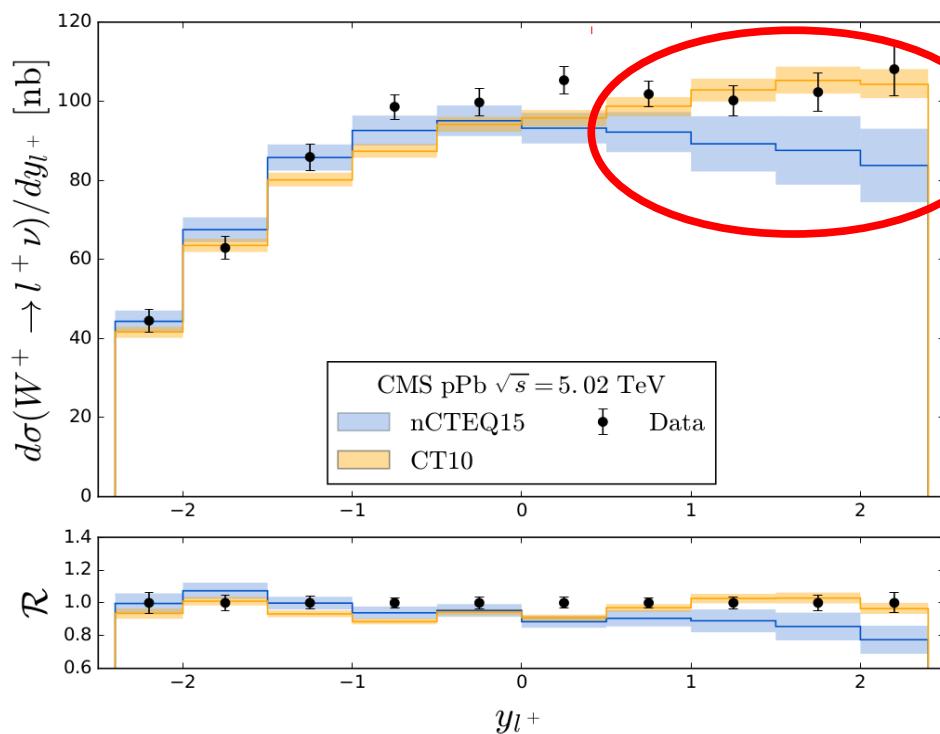
ATLAS pPb W⁺



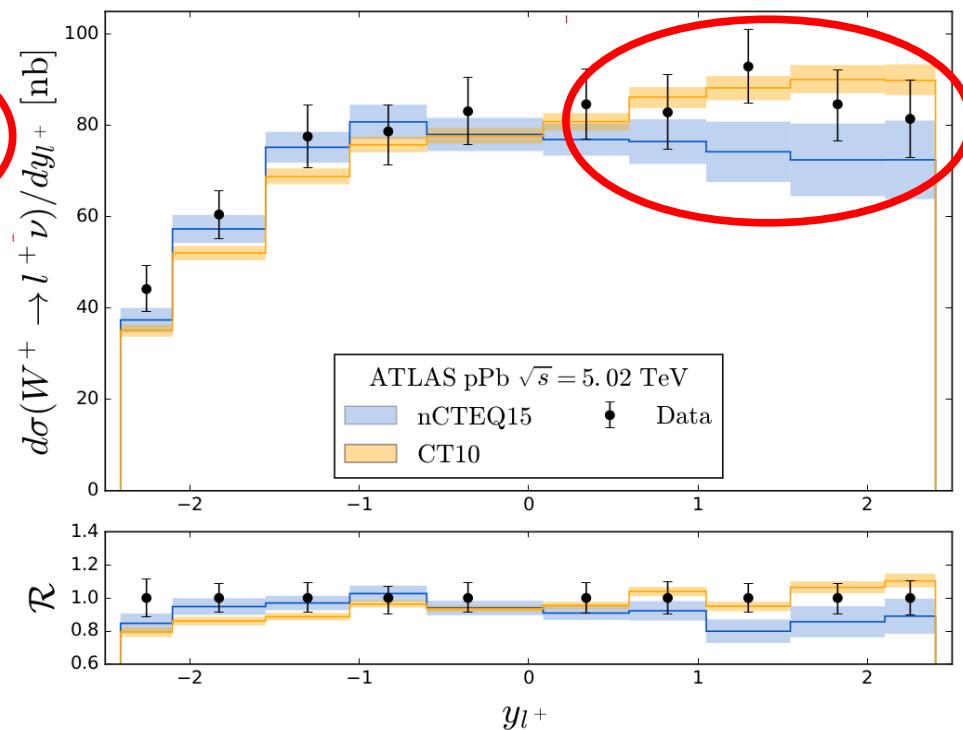
W/Z Production



CMS pPb W⁺



ATLAS pPb W⁺



Definite separation between data and CT10 from nCTEQ15

Indicates this data could be useful in constraining PDFs in this region



Reweighting

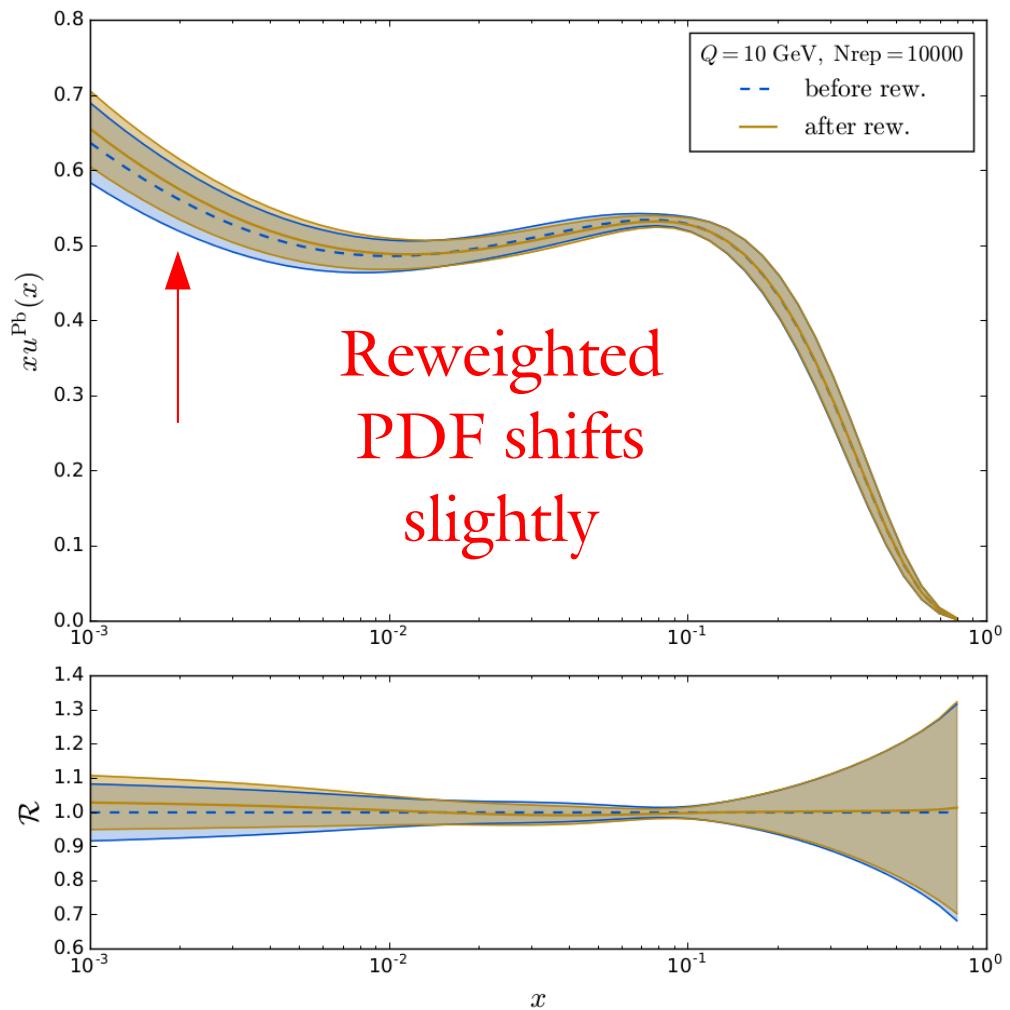
Technique using Bayesian Statistics to shift existing PDF

Allows for new data to be added

DOES NOT REFIT

Can suggest the impact data might have on a future fit

Limited to existing parameterization

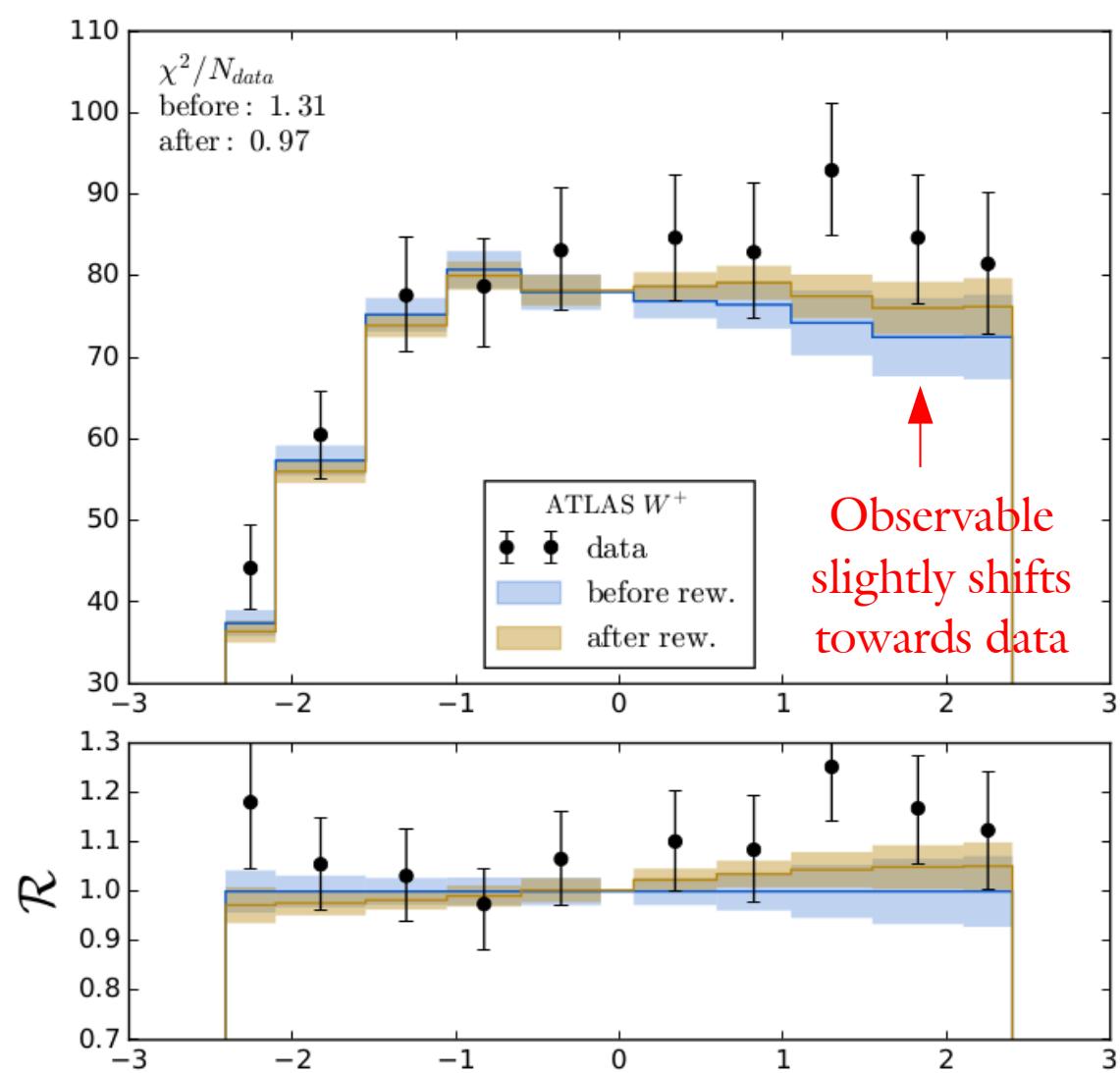




Reweighting

Results indicated parameterization is inflexible and refit was needed

- Extrapolation in x_2 region corresponding to positive rapidity
 - Previously lacked data in this range
- Strange quark parameter could be opened
 - Currently fixed to up and down quarks



Refitting nCTEQ15



nCTEQ Status After Reweighting

- FORTRAN fitting code
 - Internal theory calculations
 - Process specific modules
 - Internal PDF evolution
- Large χ^2 from reweighting study
 - Poor description of the shape of LHC data
 - Particularly for positive rapidities
- No LHC data included
 - New theory module would be needed

nCTEQ++

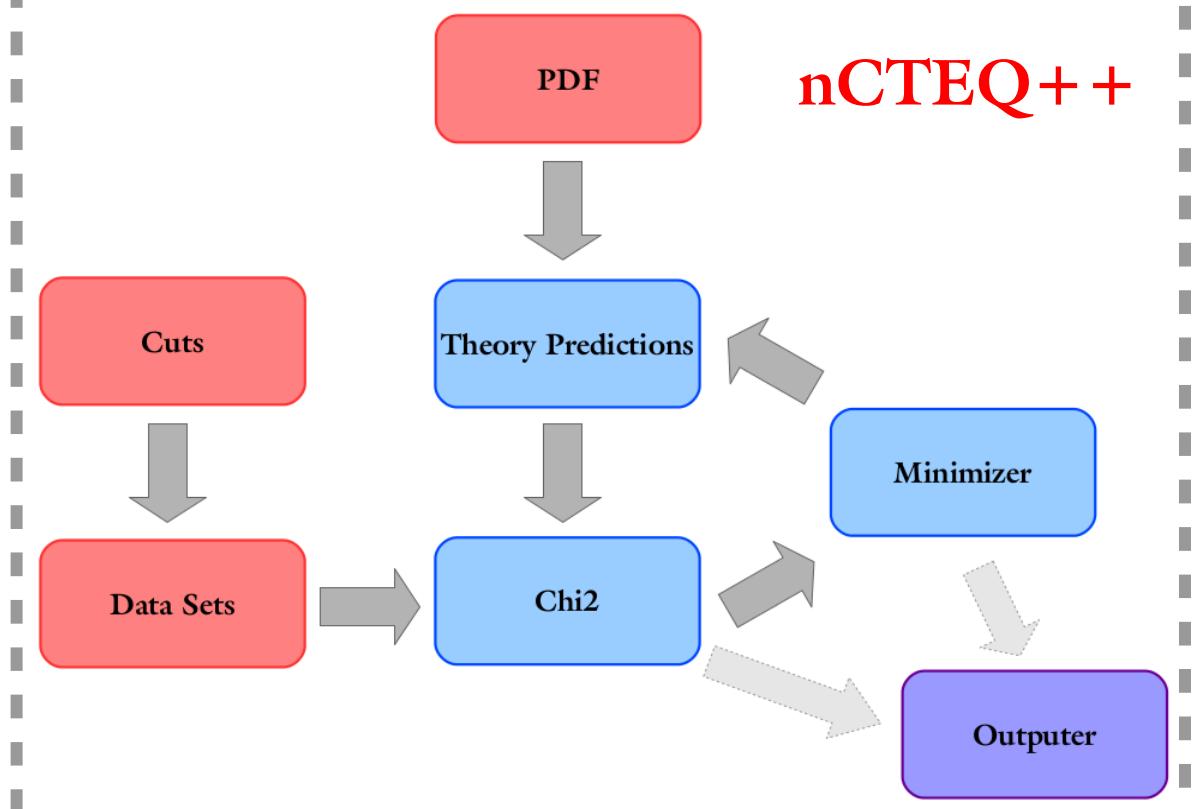
What is nCTEQ++?



- A complete rewrite of the original nCTEQ FORTRAN fitting code in C++
- Changed the code to allow for modules when building a PDF

Evolution
Interpolation
Parameterization

- Fitting using Minuit
- Minor bug fixes



Validation: α_S



$$\frac{d\alpha_S}{d \ln(Q^2)} = \beta(\alpha_S(Q^2)) = -(b_0 \alpha_S^2 + b_1 \alpha_S^3 + b_2 \alpha_S^4 + \dots)$$

nCTEQ++: (HOPPET)

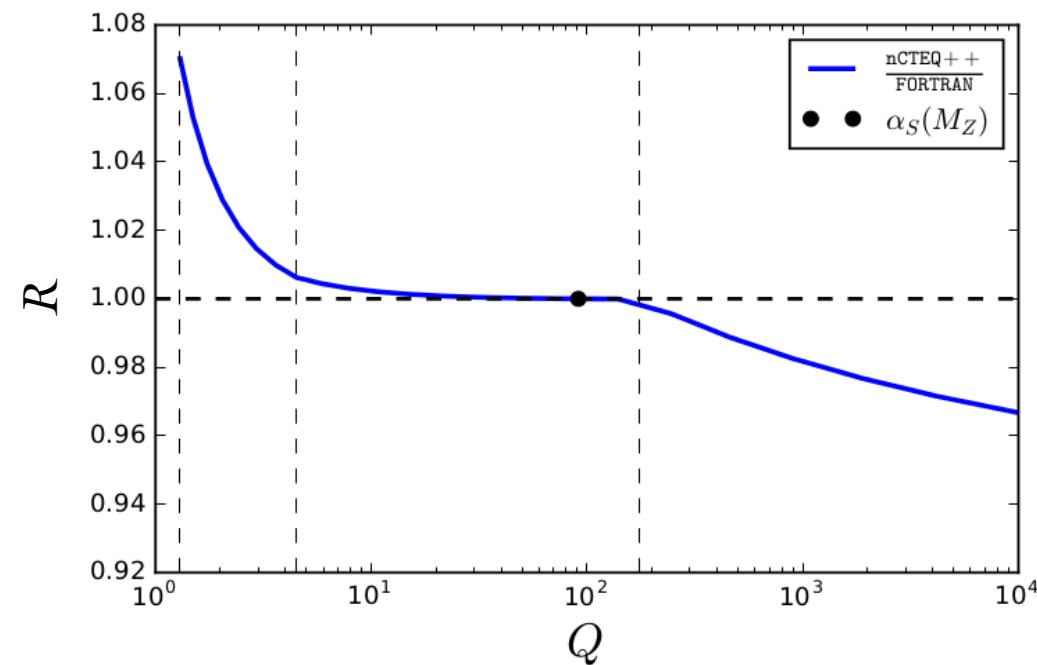
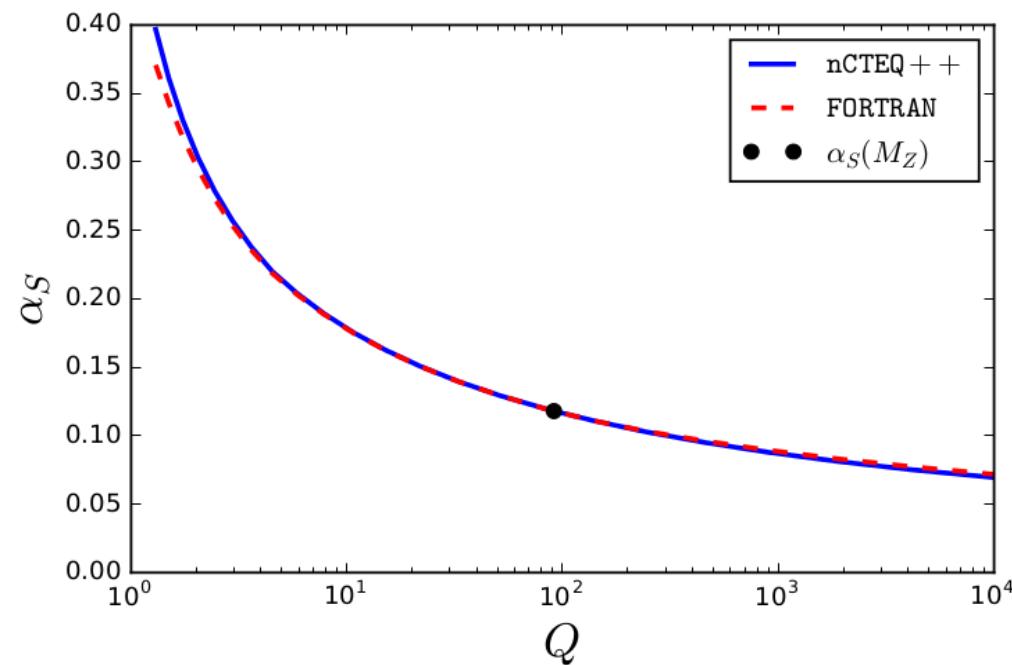
Runge-Kutta numerical solution

Number of Quark Flavors – 4, 5, 6

FORTRAN:

Truncated analytic series solution

Number of Quark Flavors – 4, 5



Validation: Evolution



HOPPET to provide PDF evolution

- Accepted in PDF community (PDF4LHC)
- Externally maintained

PDFs match at Q_0

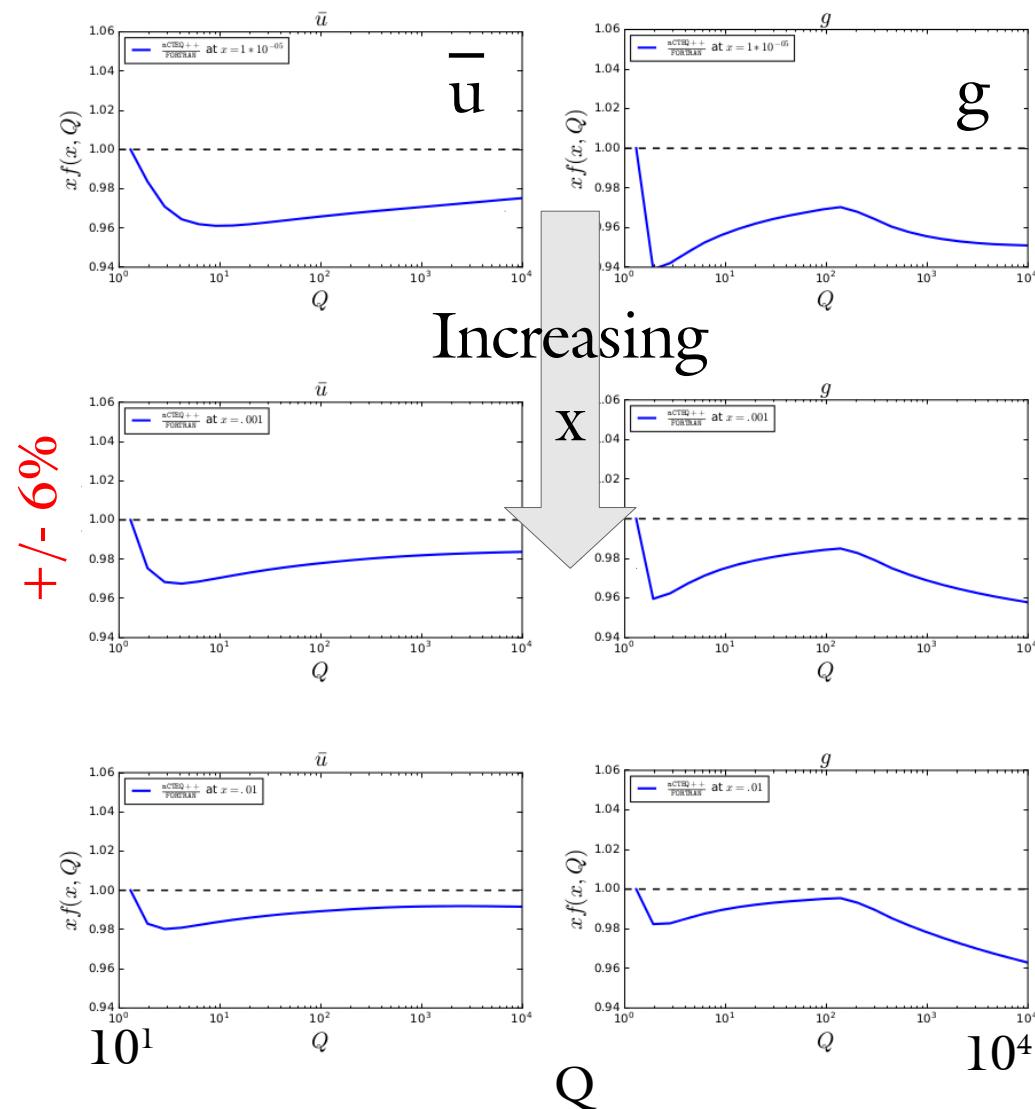
Differences in evolution arise from different α_s

- HOPPET uses Runge-Kutta

Differences consistent across Q range, x range, all flavors

Gluon reflects top quark threshold

Ratio of PDF Evolution Codes

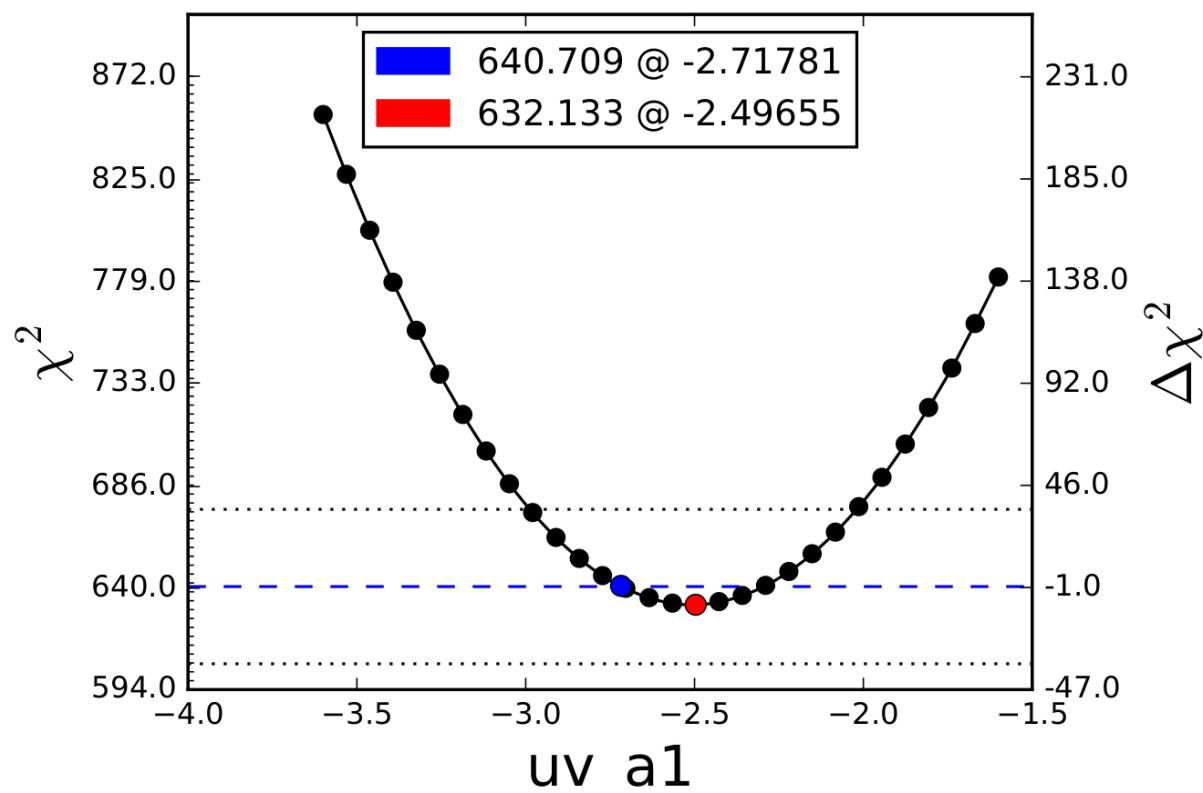


Validation: Parameter Scans



How did the χ^2 change for nCTEQ15 in nCTEQ++?

- Minimum might have changed in new code
 - Scan each parameter fit in nCTEQ15
 - Step through parameter space
 - Calculate χ^2 at each point
 - χ^2 Tolerance (t) = 35
 - All parameters fell within tolerance

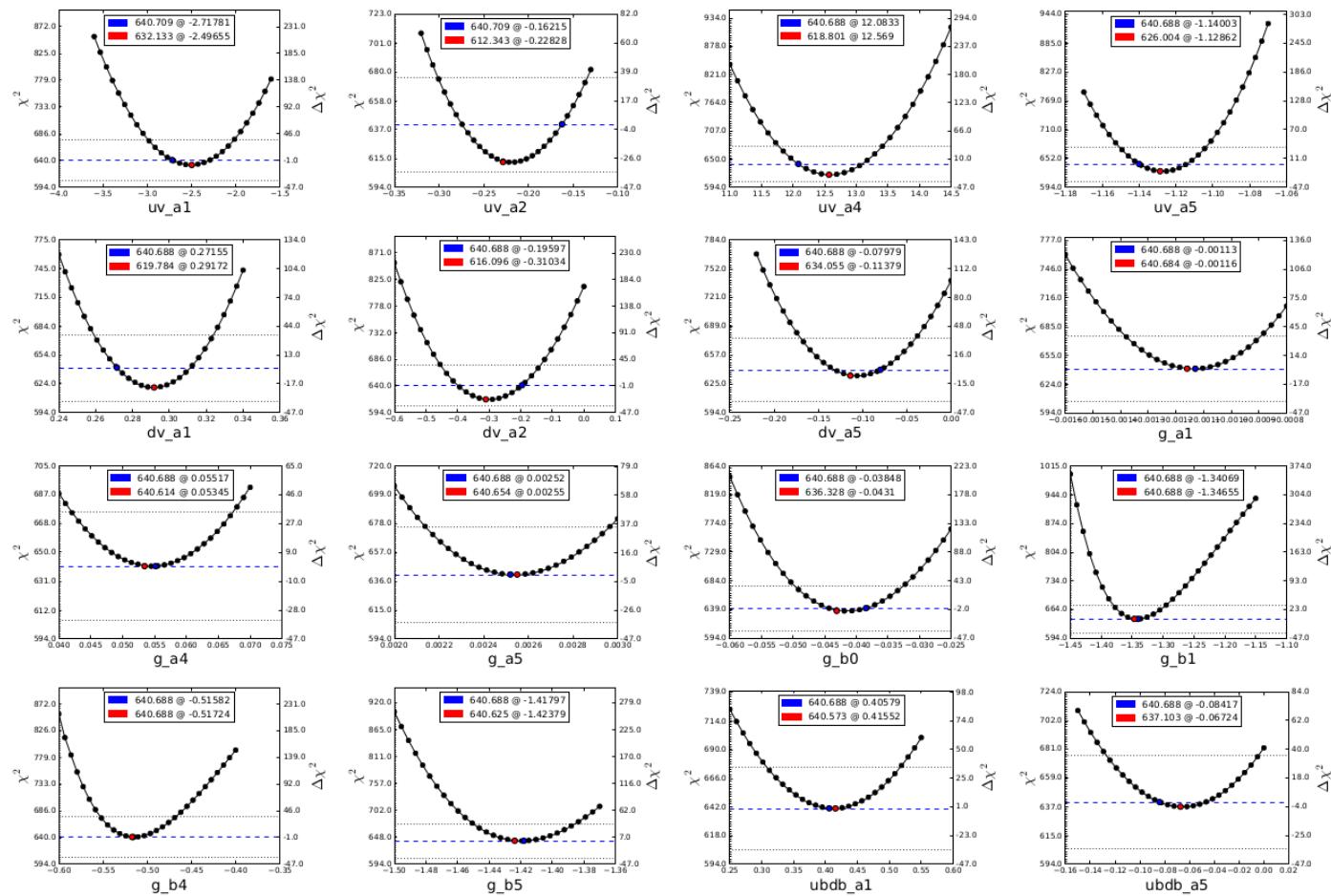


Validation: χ^2



How did the χ^2 change for nCTEQ15np in nCTEQ++?

- Original:
 - $\chi^2 : 625.6$
 - 708 points
 - $0.883 \chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$
- nCTEQ++:
 - $\chi^2 : 640.7$
 - 708 points
 - $0.905 \chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$
- $\Delta \chi^2 : 15.1$
- Less than $t=35$



Scans for the 16 parameters fit in
nCTEQ15np

Theory Predictions



Goal: Include new LHC data in nCTEQ15 PDF fit

- Theory predictions are very slow and time consuming
 - Grid techniques drastically speed up the process
- Theory code must be tuned to match experimental measurement
- Theory codes available:
 - pAFEWZ
 - Modified to allow for pp, AA, pA modes
 - Previously tuned in reweighting study to match experiments
 - No grid techniques available
 - MCFM
 - Can only run in symmetric pp or AA modes
 - Not tuned to match experimental measurements
 - Links directly to APPLGrid
 - Extensive library of processes

Gridded Theory Predictions

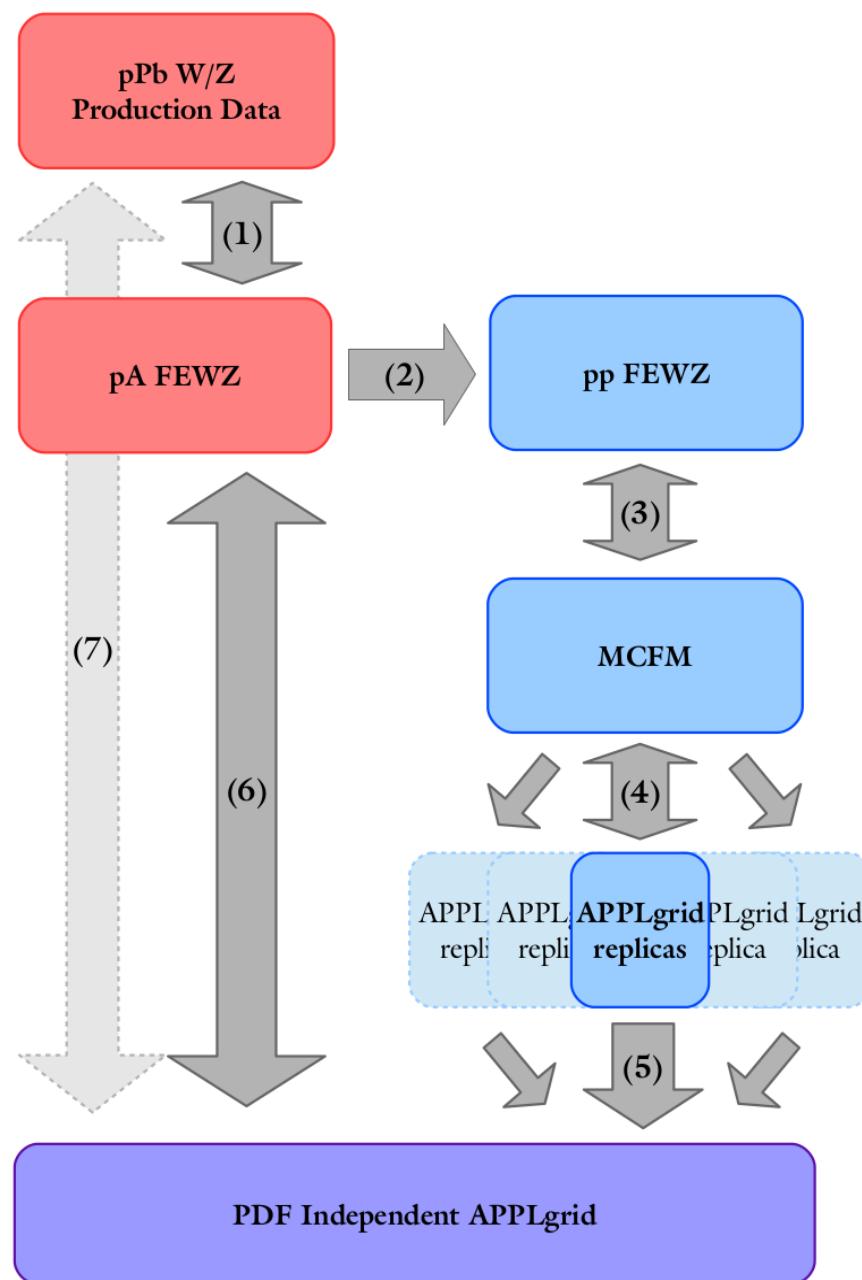


- Produced in APPLGrid via MCFM
 - Cut-dependent arrays in $(x, Q, flavor)$ space
 - Filled with weighted matrix elements from Monte Carlo integration
 - Precalculated, interpolated and summed, reducing computation time
 - Grids can be PDF-independent with enough statistics

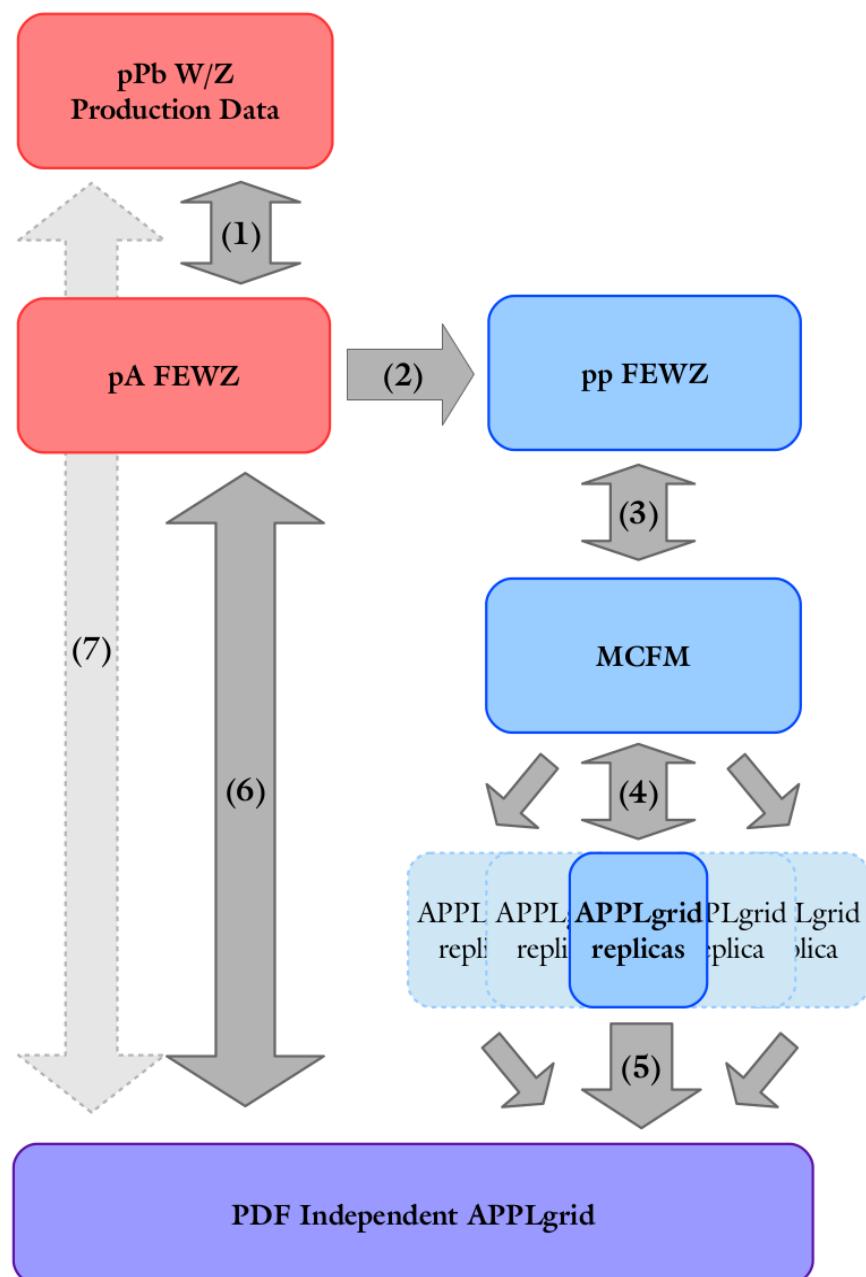
Slow matrix element

$$\hat{\sigma}(x, Q) \rightarrow \underbrace{\hat{\sigma}_i(x_i, Q_i)}_{\text{Fast Interpolated Grid}}$$

Including New Theory

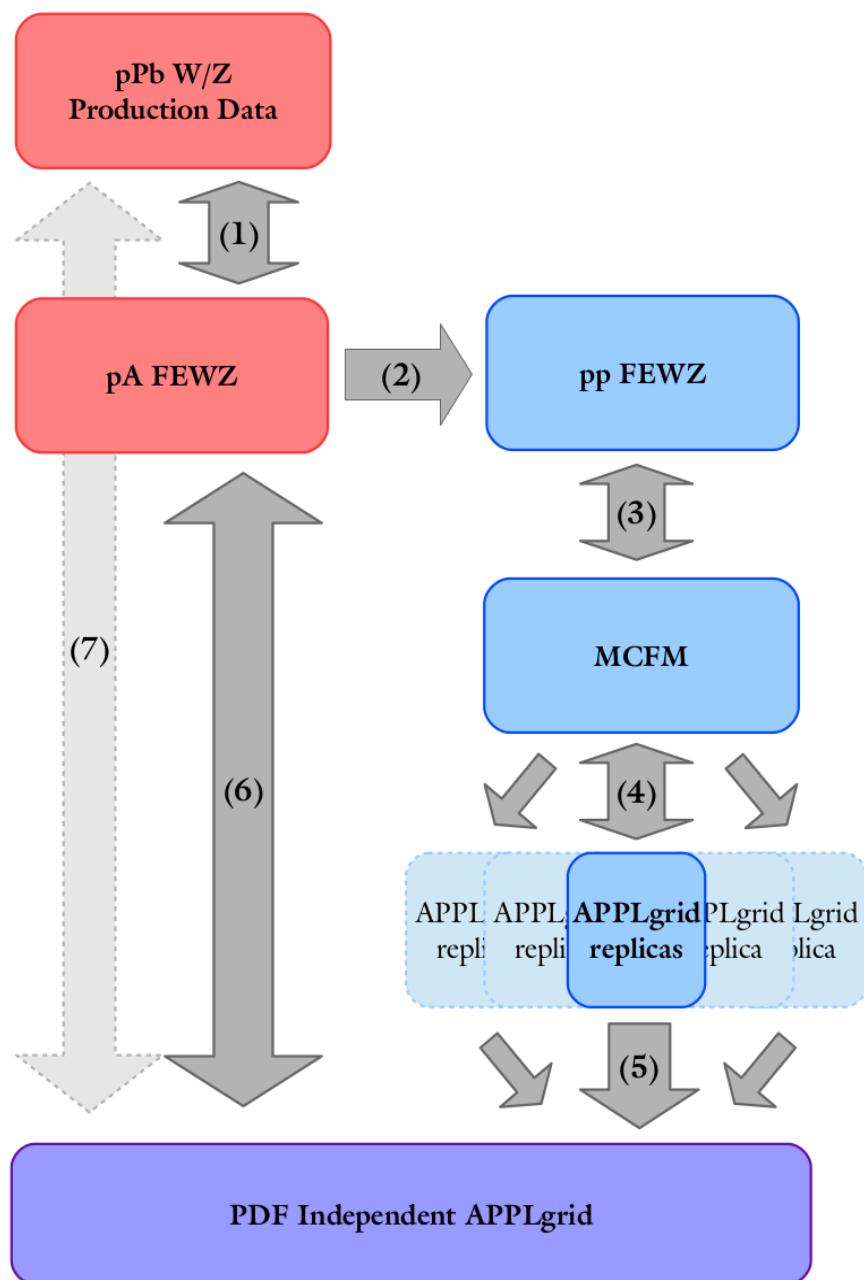


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(1) Data matched to pAFEWZ in reweighting

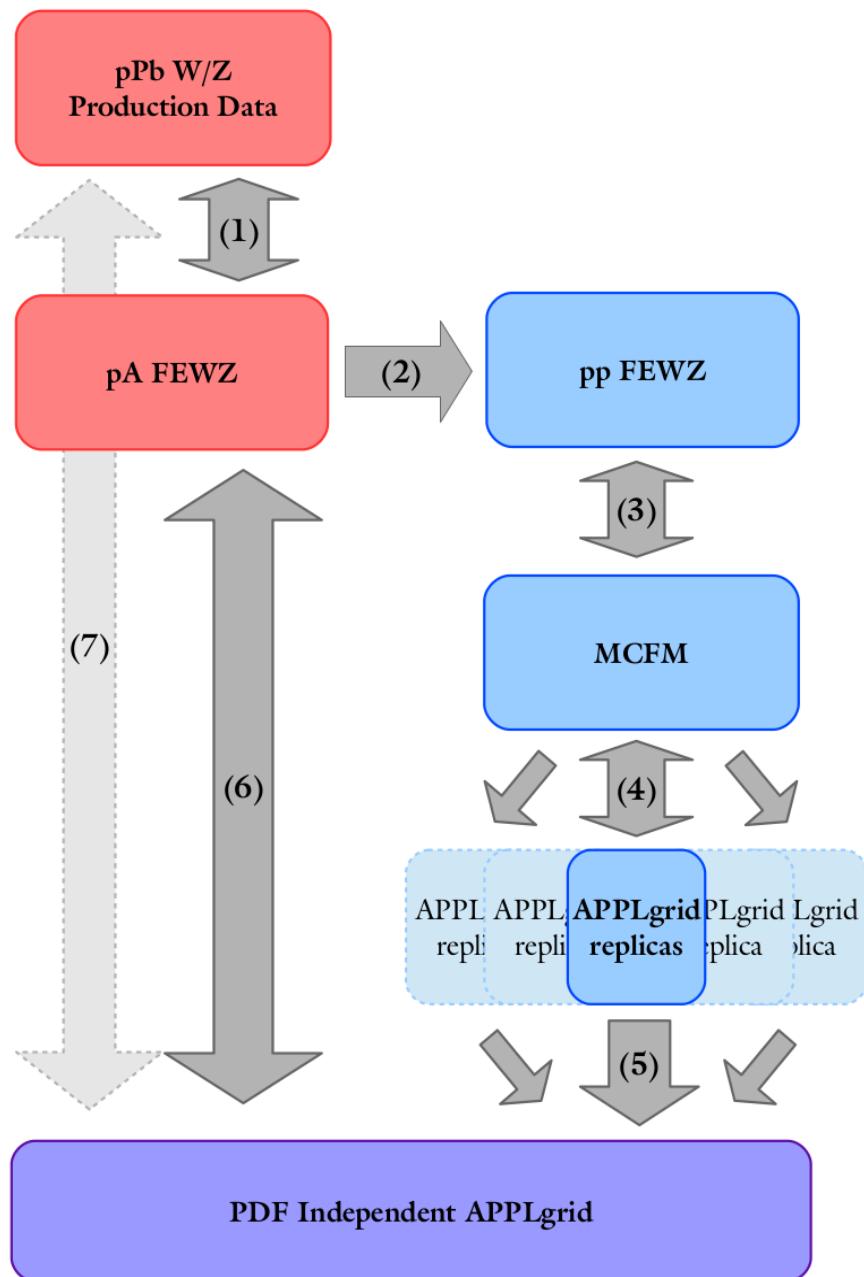
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- (1) Data matched to pAFEWZ in reweighting
- (2) Run FEWZ in symmetric pp - mode

Maintains cuts and binning from asymmetric mode

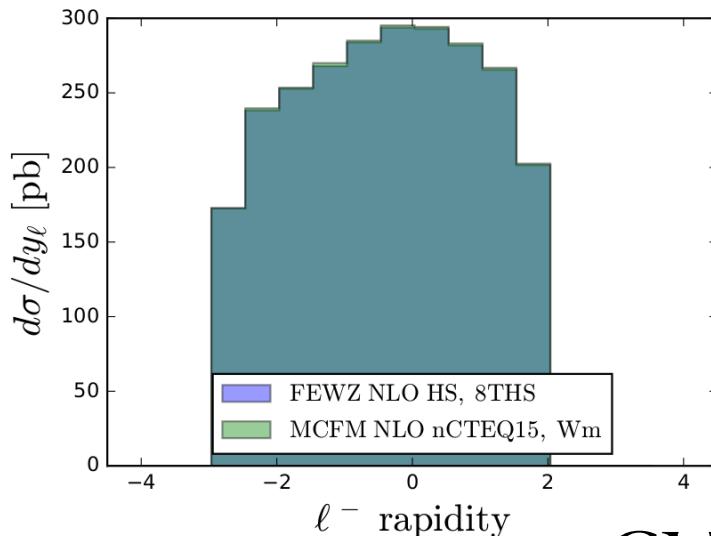
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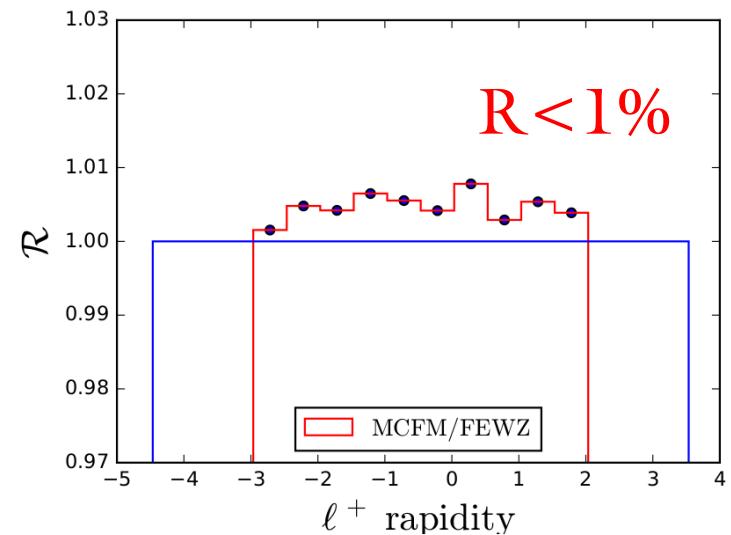
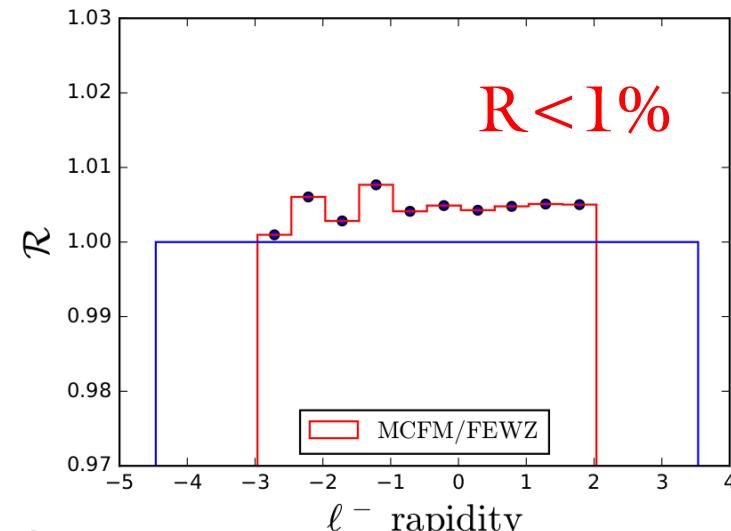
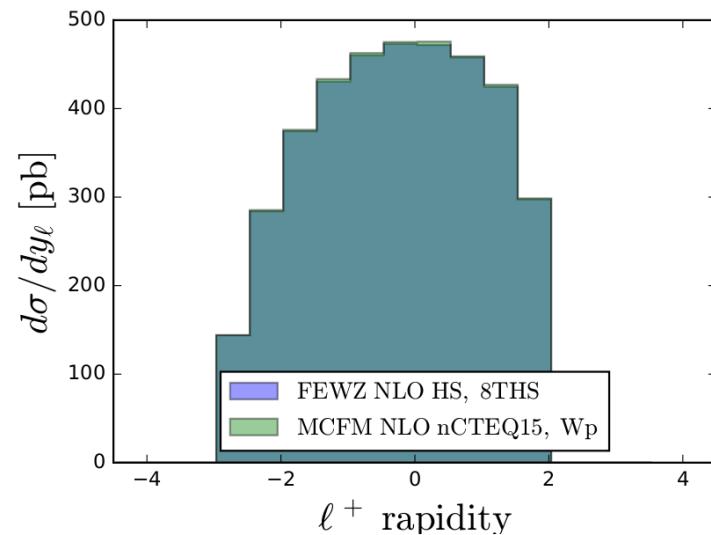
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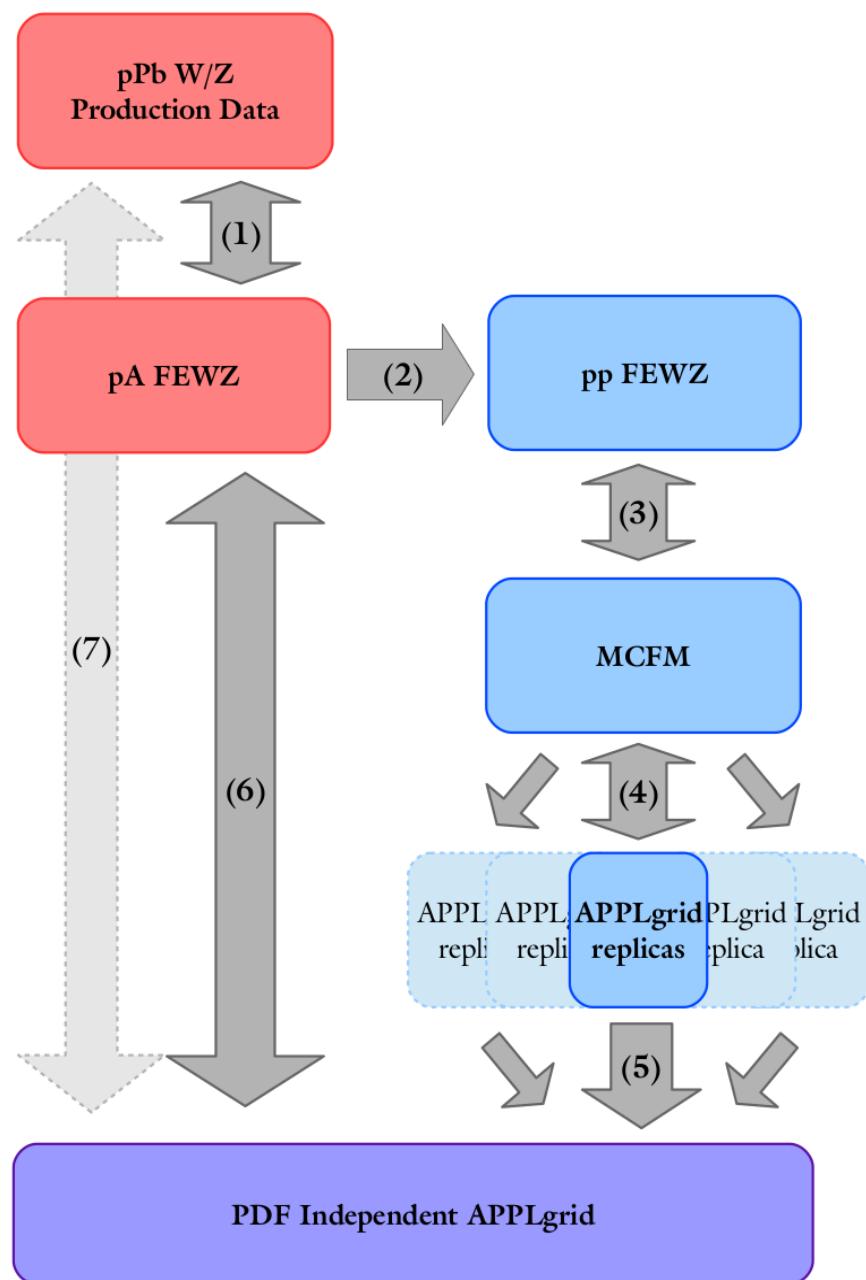
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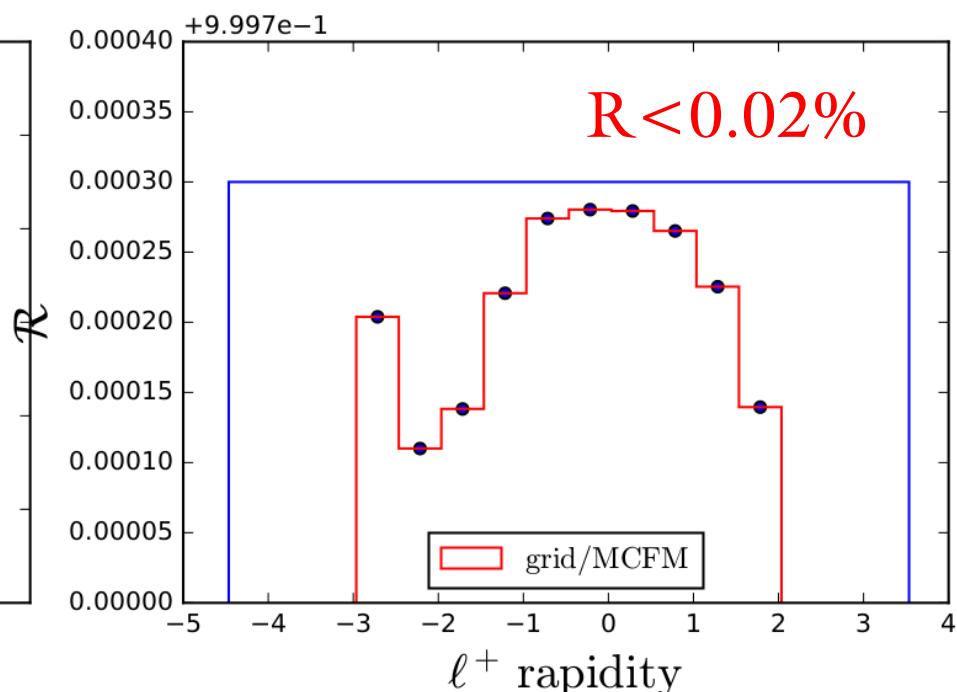
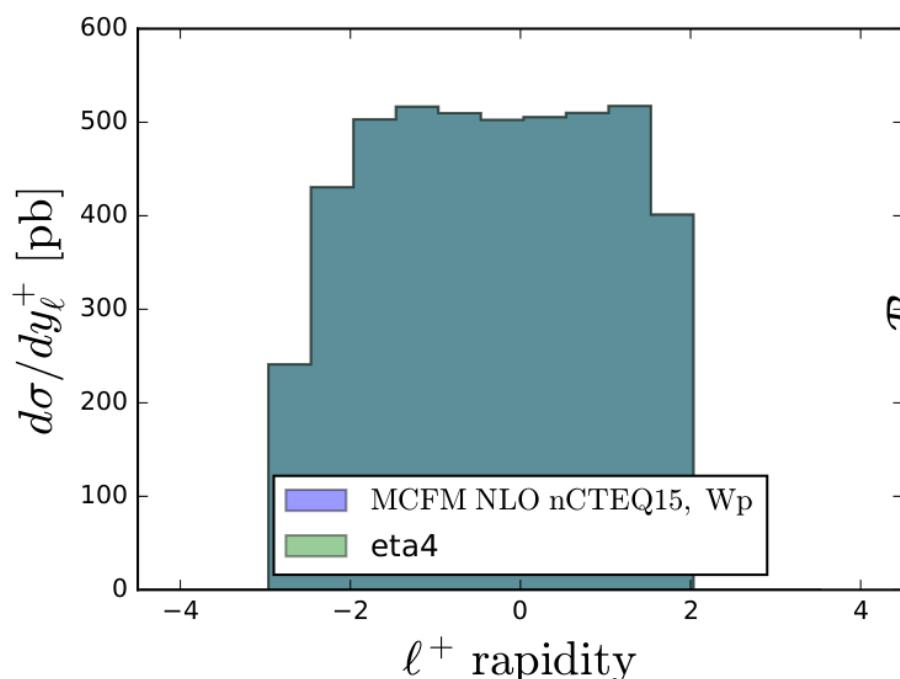


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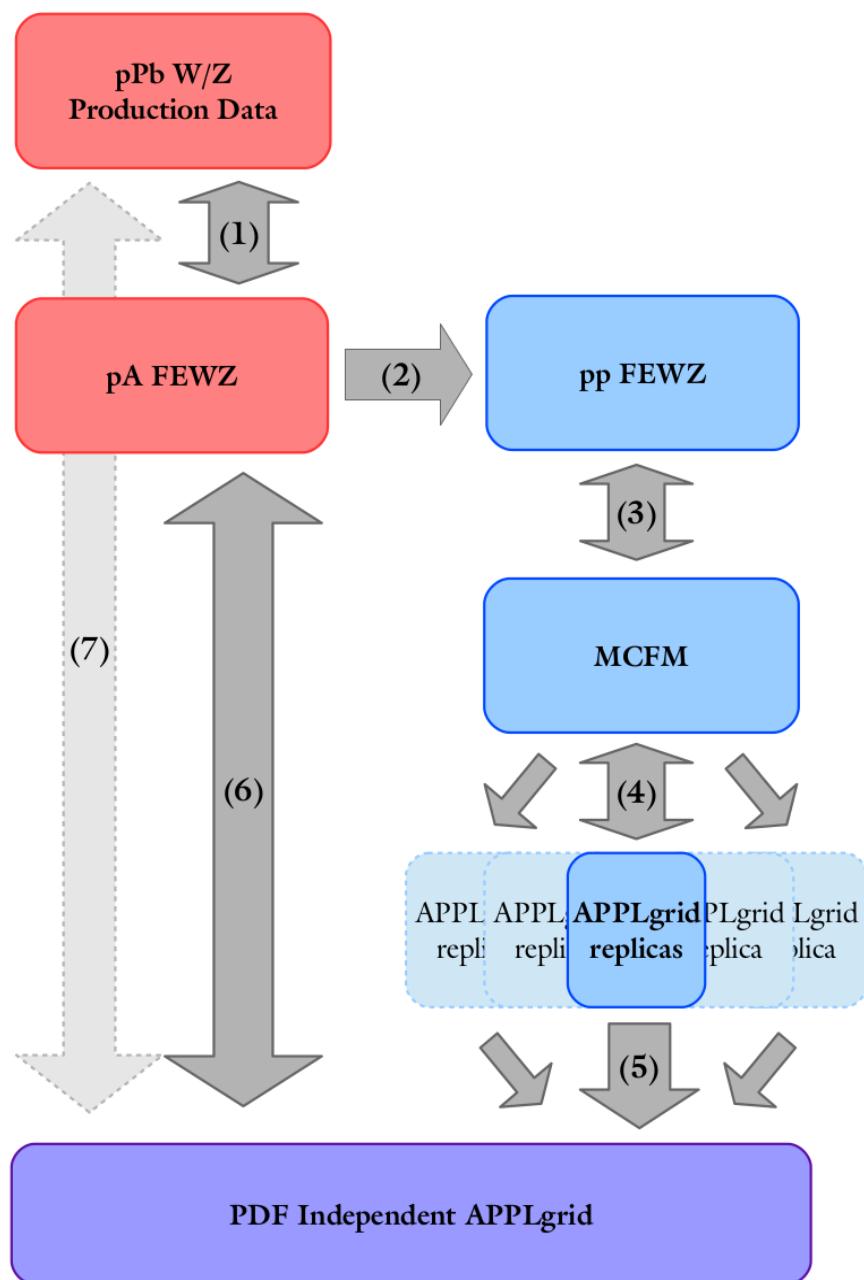
Producing grids using MCFM



- Events generated in MCFM
 - Extracted with mcfm-bridge
 - Stored in grids by APPLgrid
- Grids then convoluted with PDF used to generate events
- Different Monte Carlo seeds for MCFM change the events and subsequently the grids
 - ManeFrame allows this to run quickly in parallel

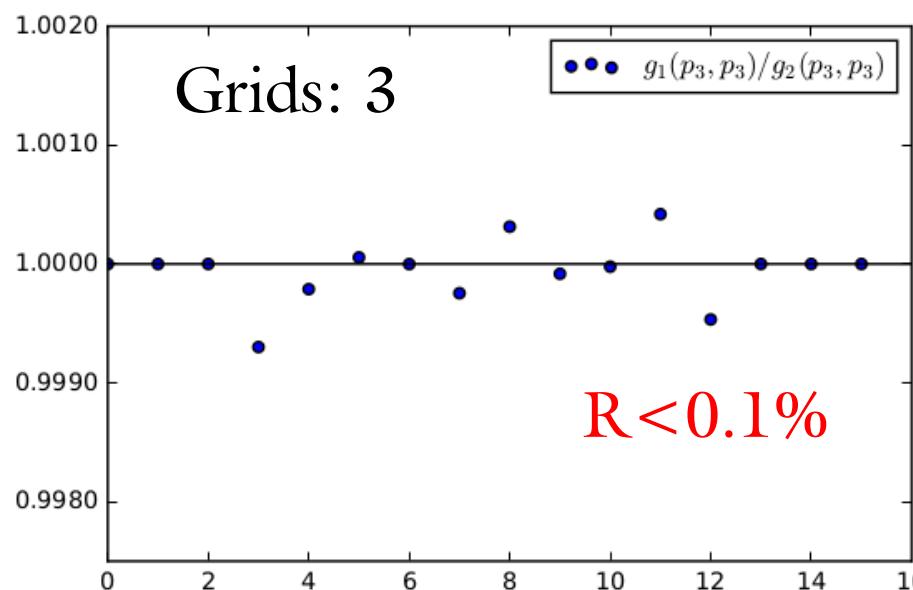
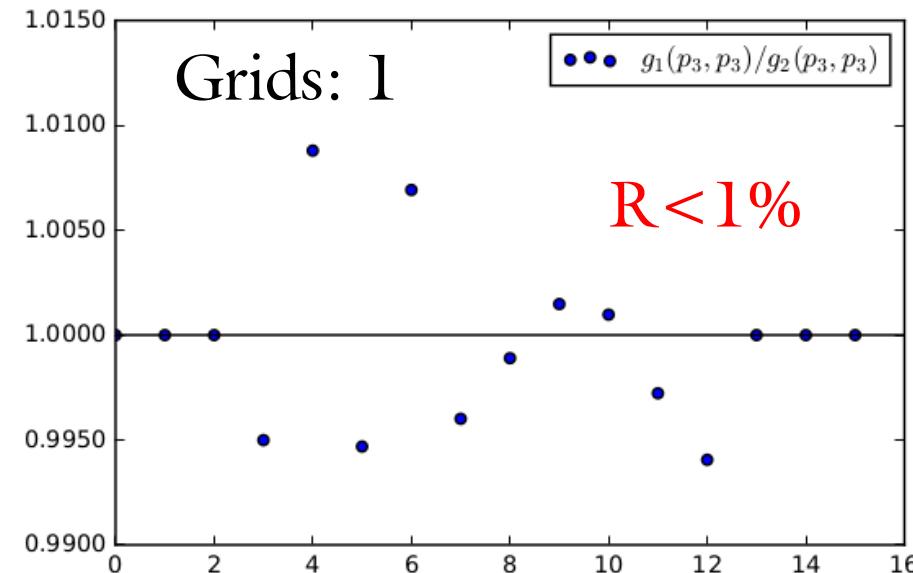


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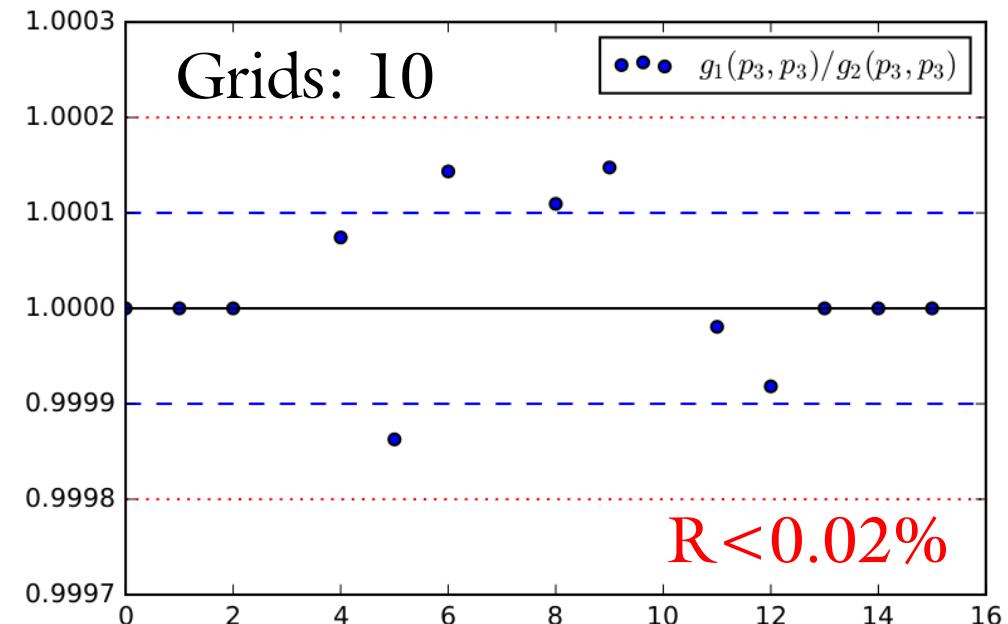


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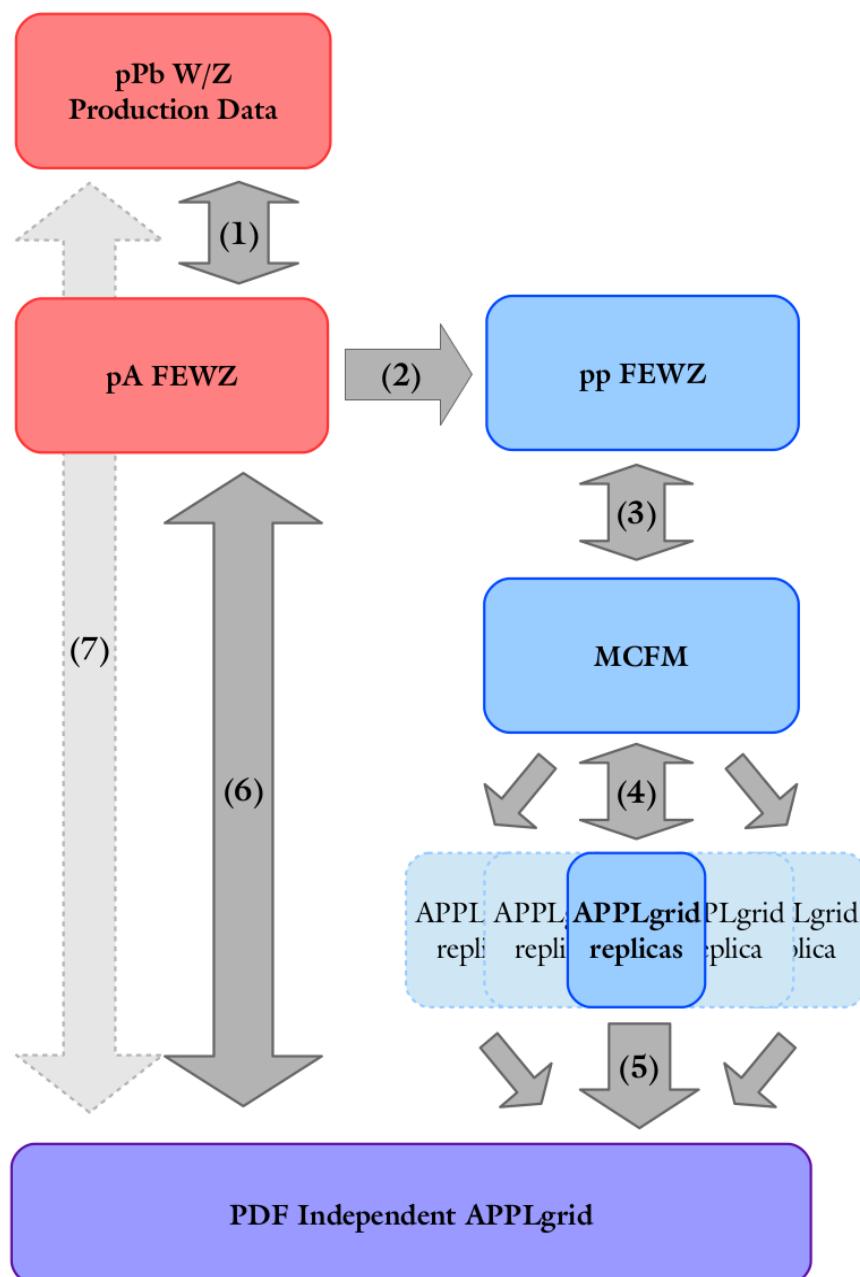
PDF Independence for Grids



- Grids can be combined increase their statistics
 - `applgrid-combine` utility
 - Improve statistics
 - Decrease reliance on underlying PDF



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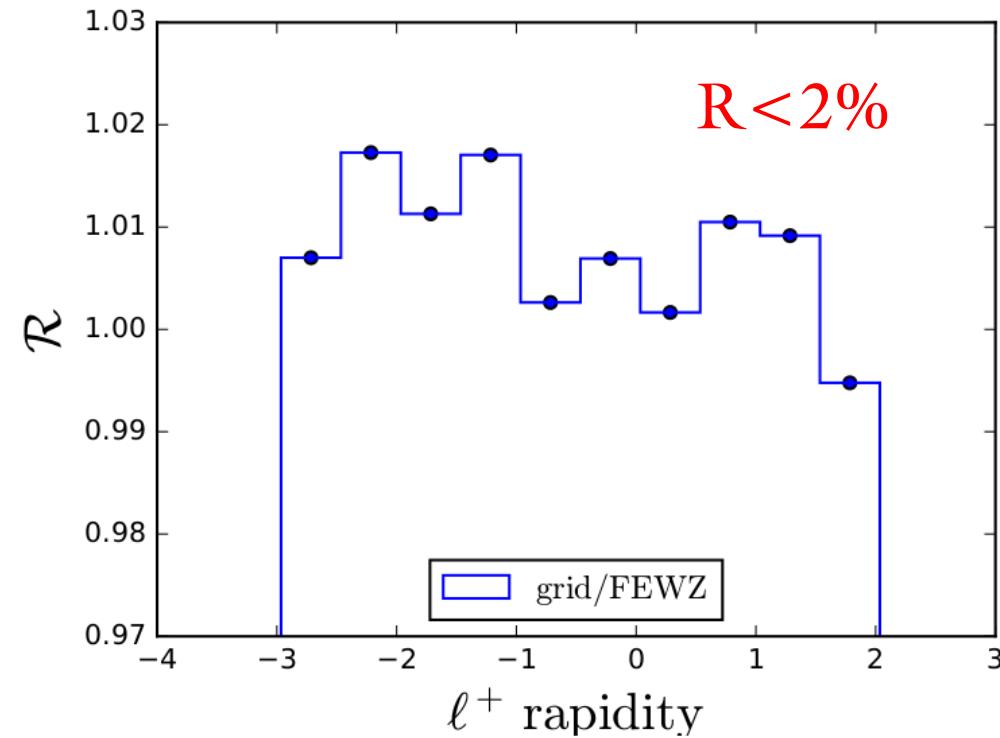
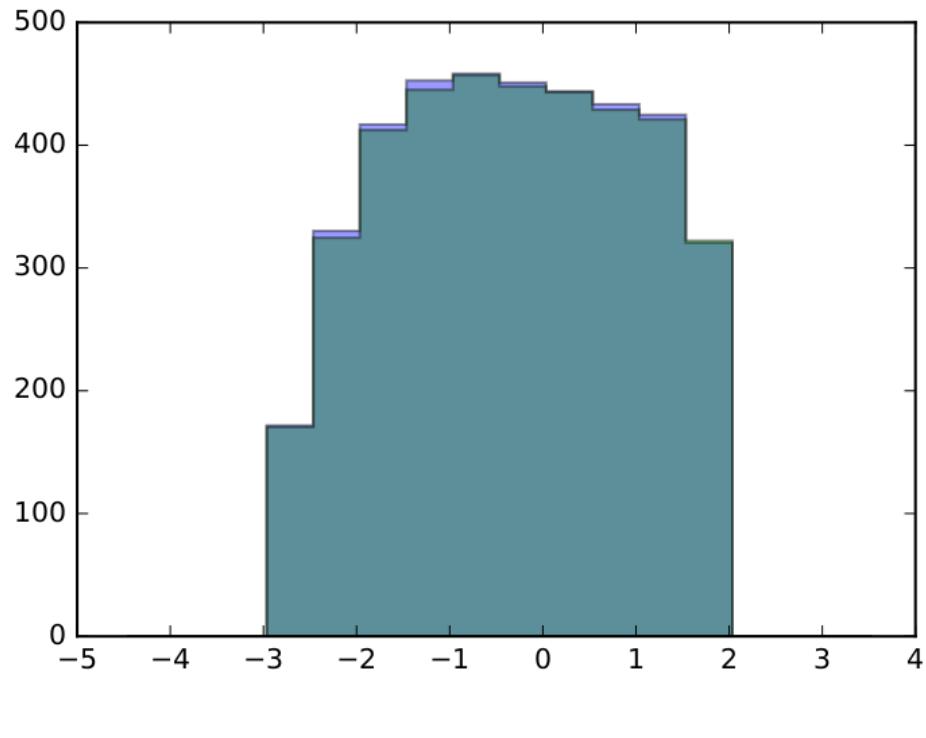


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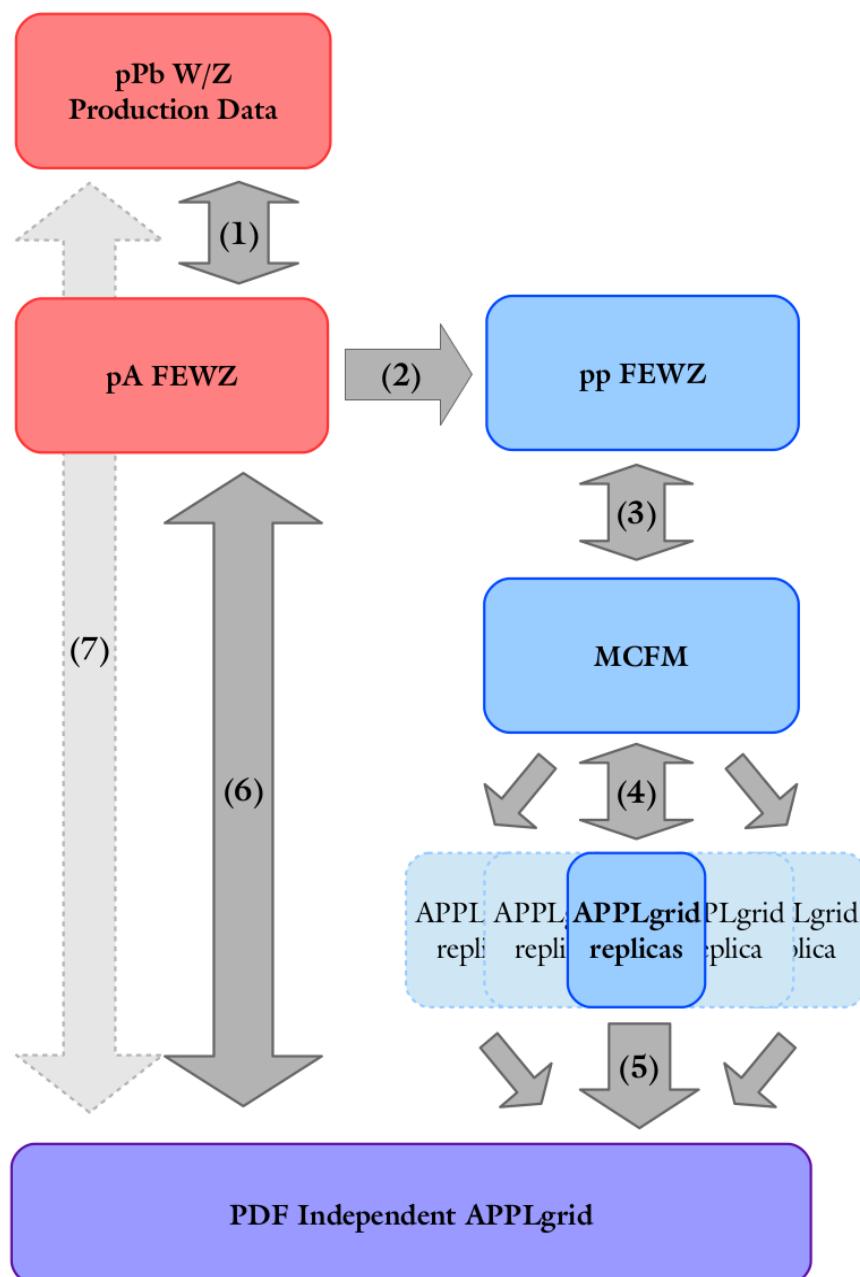


Comparing pAFEWZ to PDF Independent grid

- 10 grids from different MCFM runs combined into final grid
- Final grid then convoluted with pPb PDFs
 - Same that were used in pAFEWZ run



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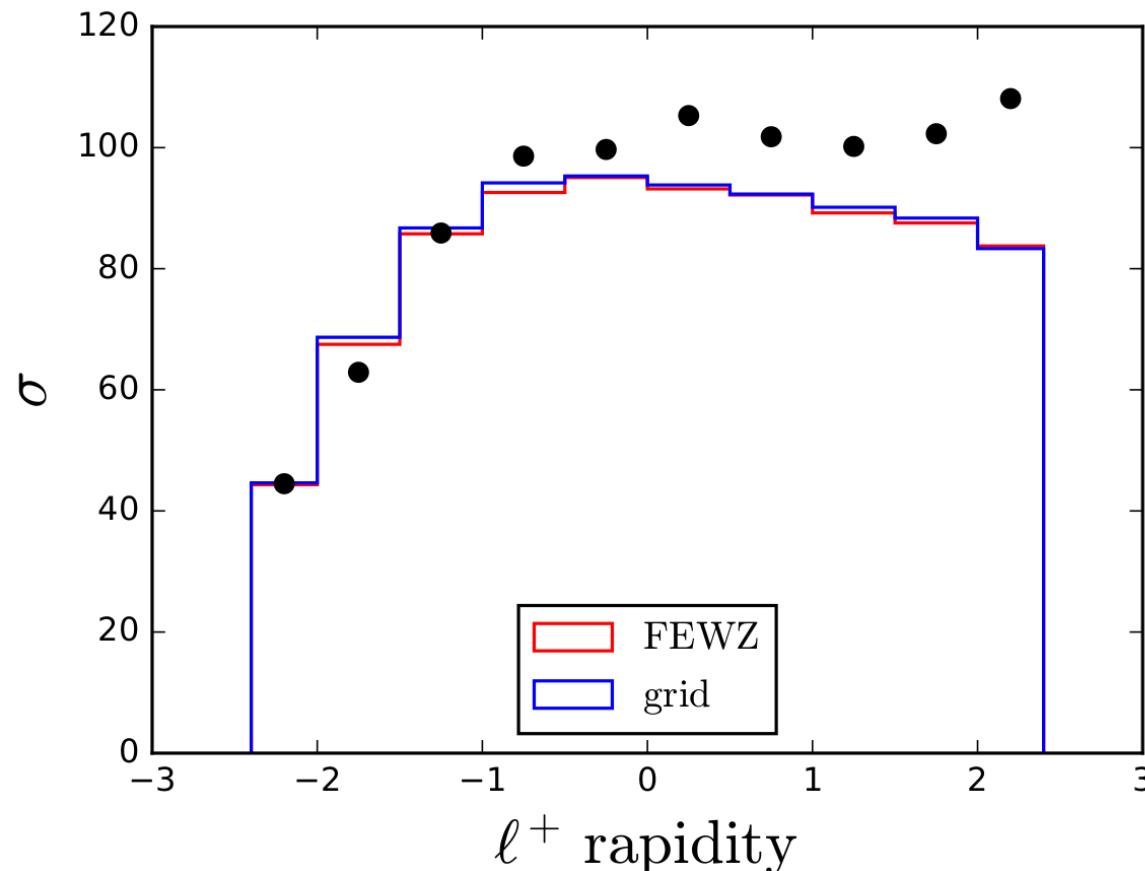


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Bringing it all together



Convoluted grids can then be compared to data and used in nCTEQ++ as theory predictions



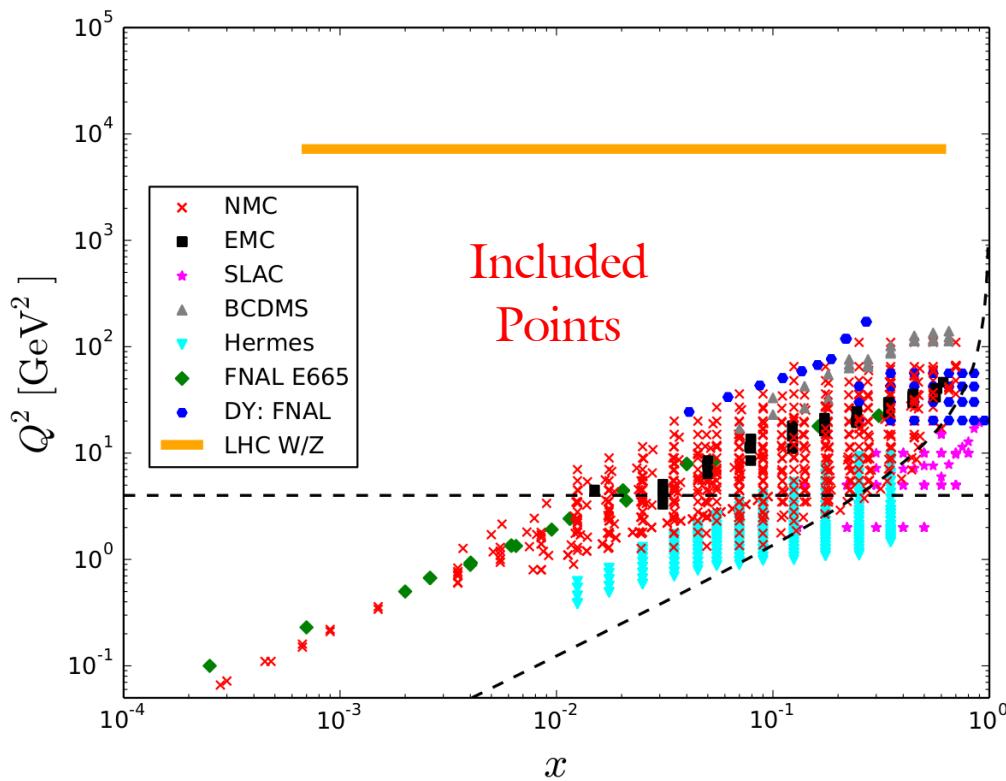
nCTEQ+LHC

pPb Data for nCTEQ+LHC



No LHC data in any previous
nCTEQ fit

- New gridded theory predictions
would make this possible



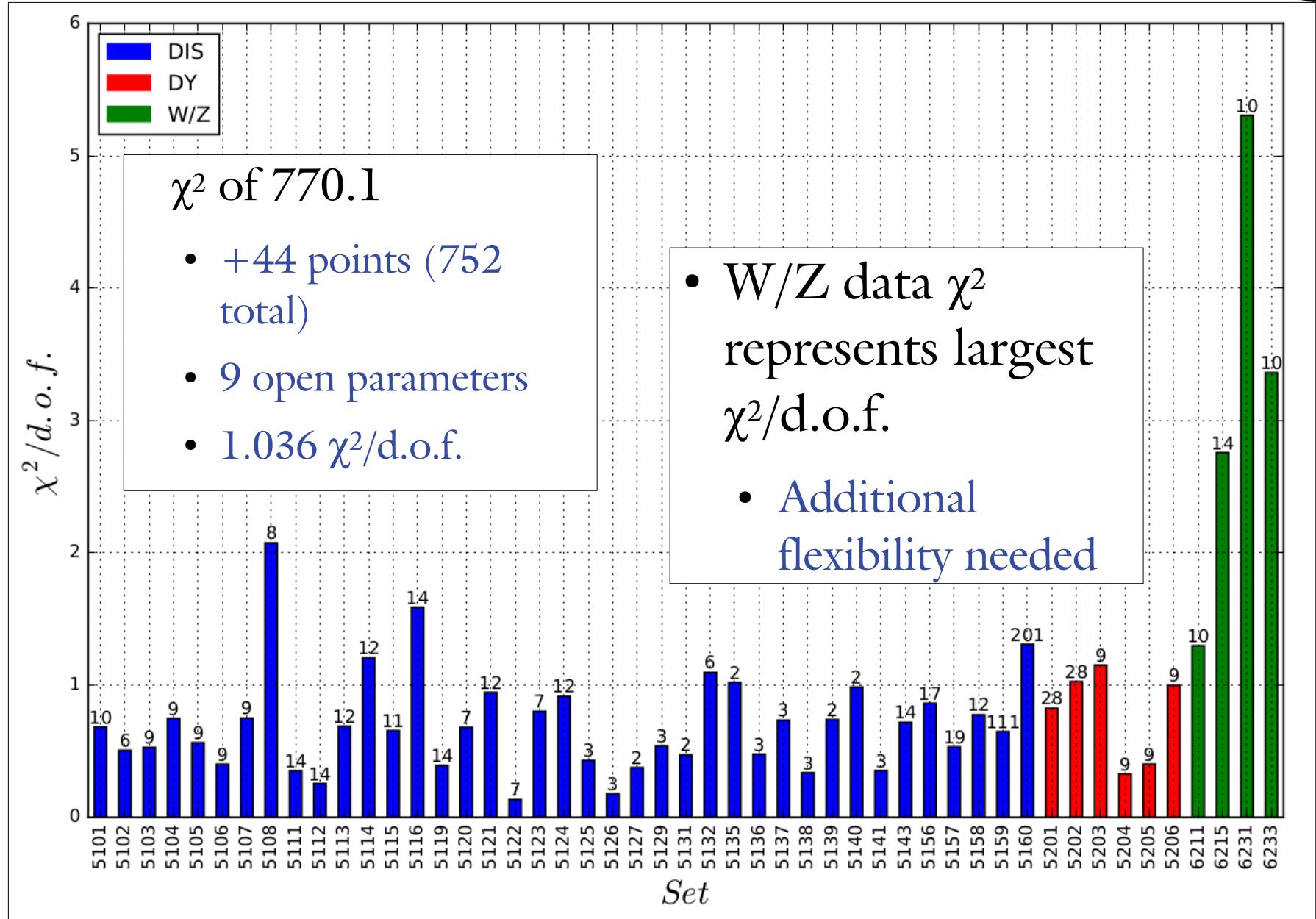
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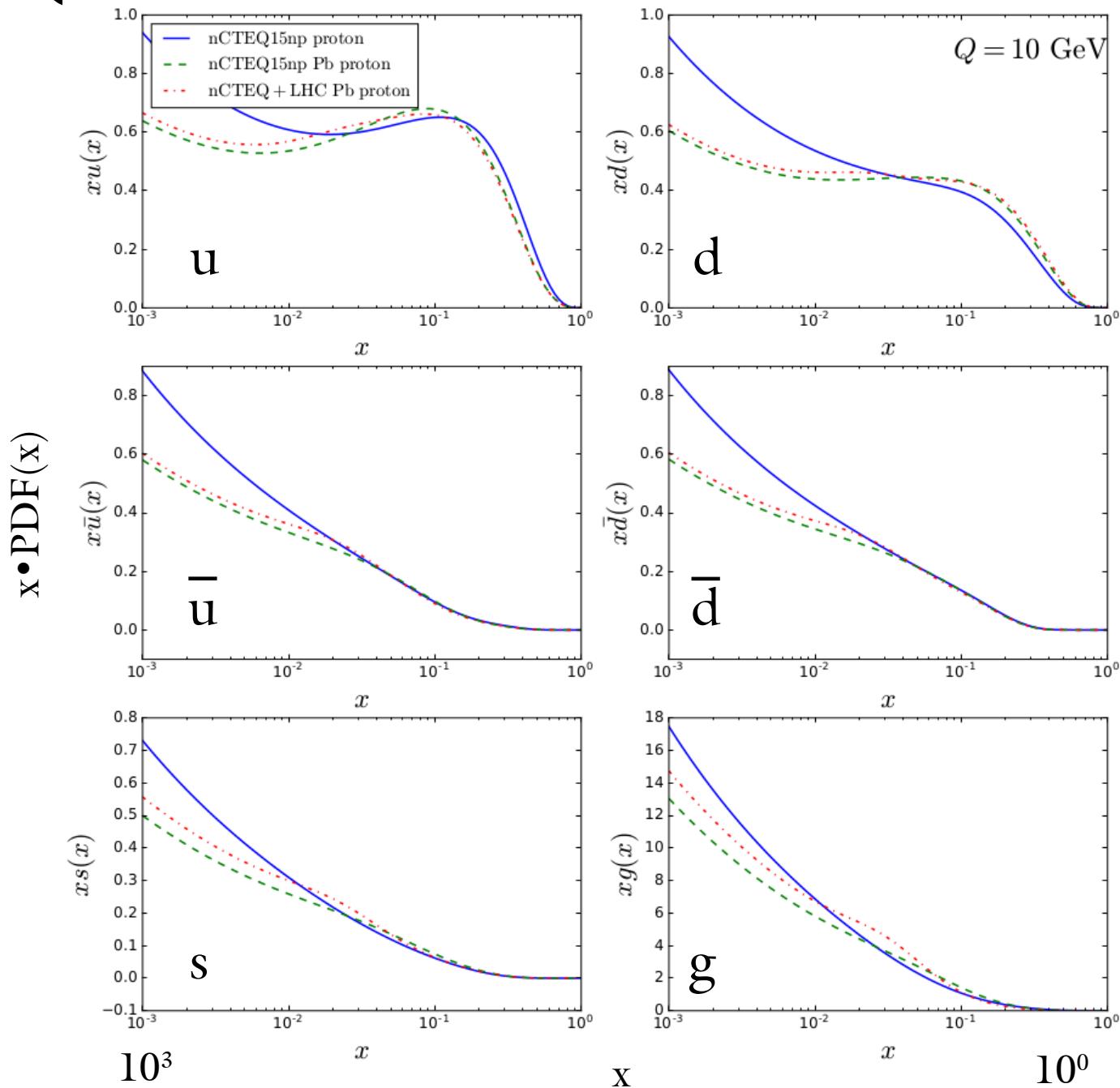
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ID: 6211 Npts: 10
- $d\sigma(Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-)/dy$
ID: 6215 Npts: 14

CMS:

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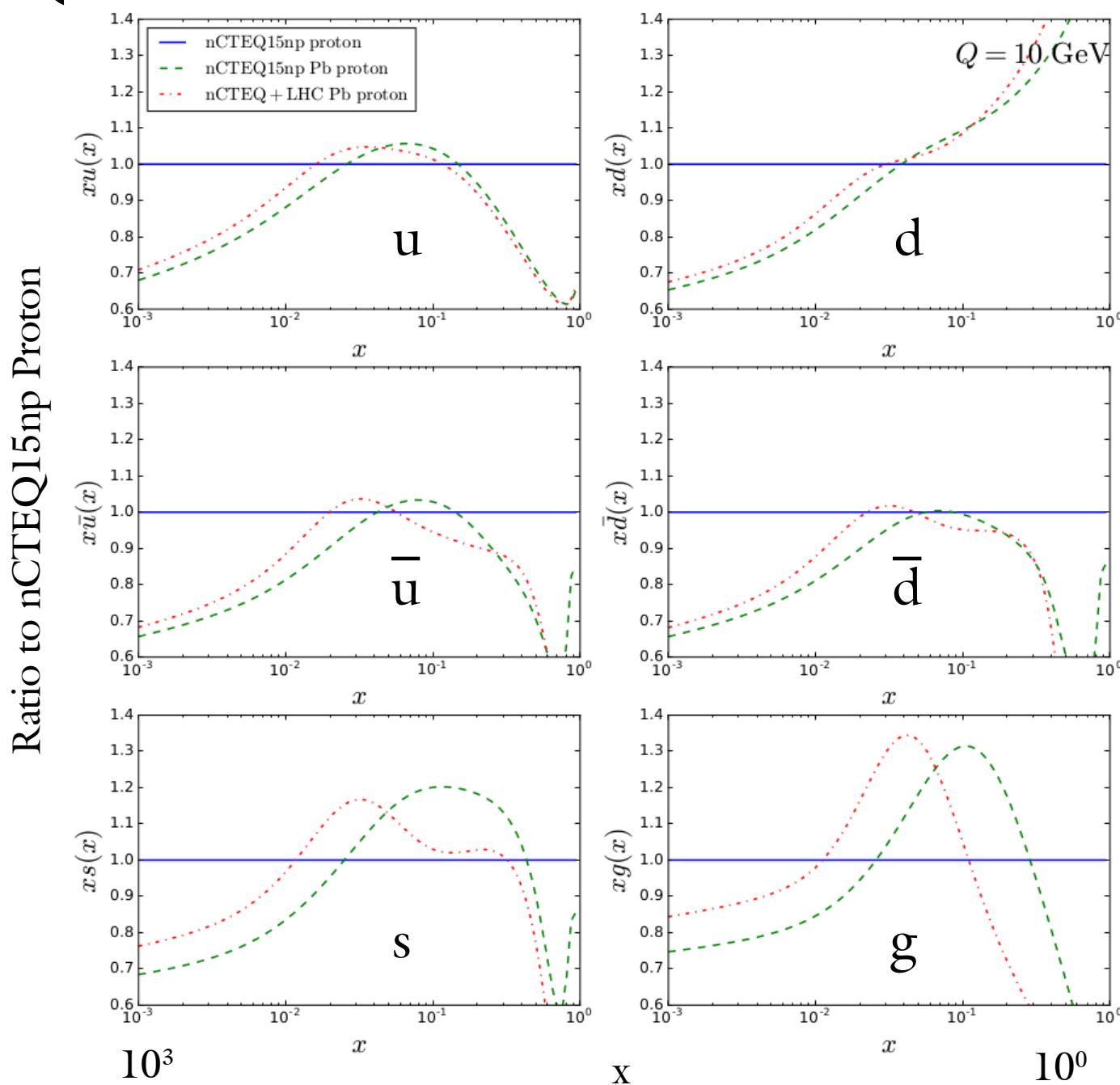


nCTEQ + LHC



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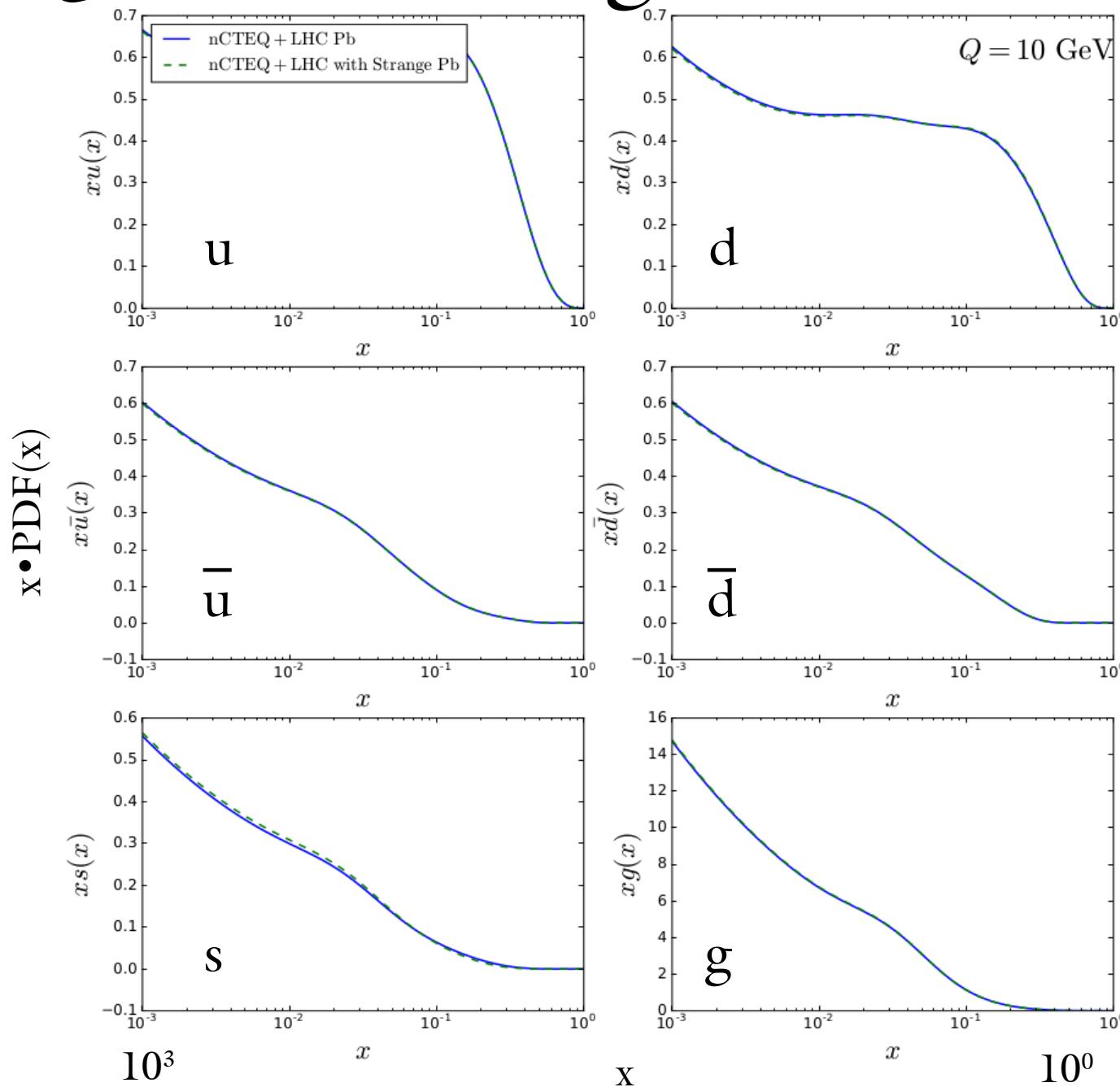


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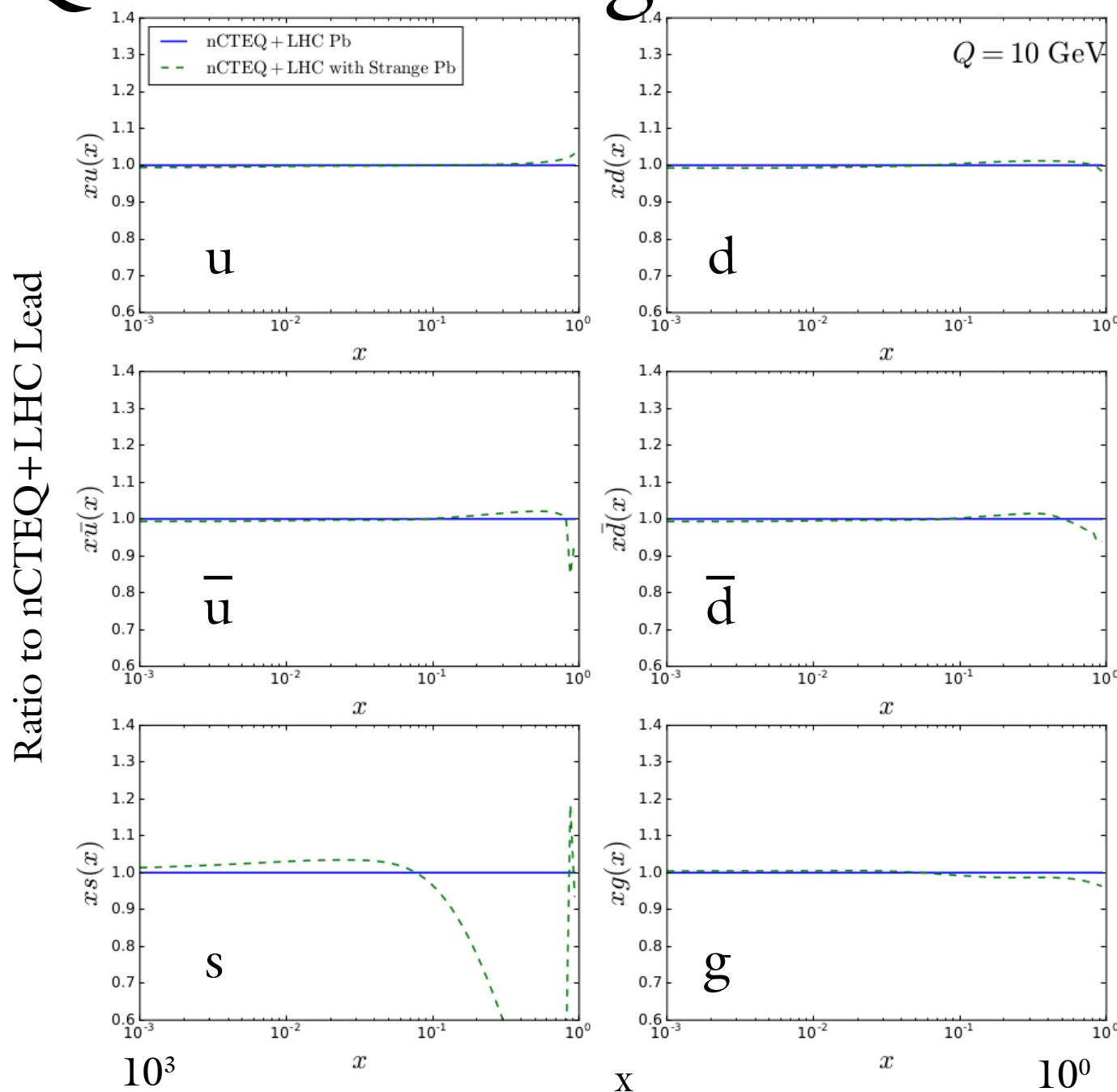
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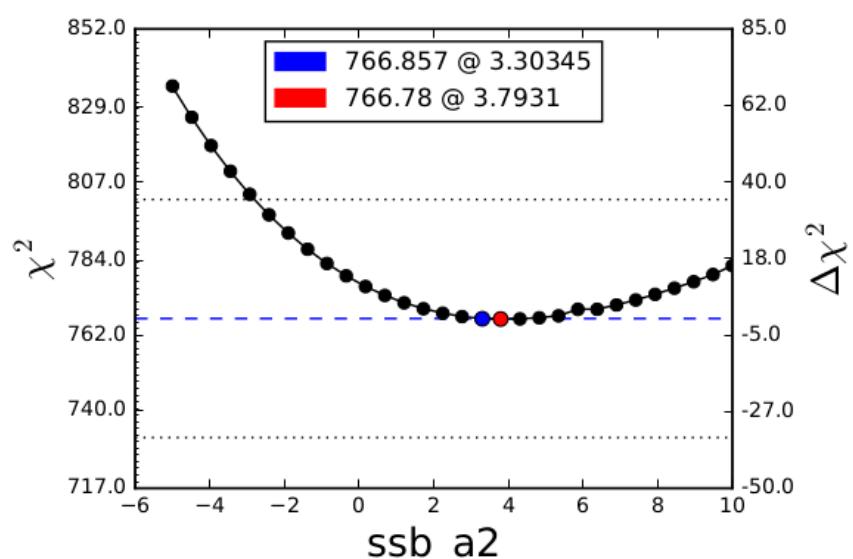
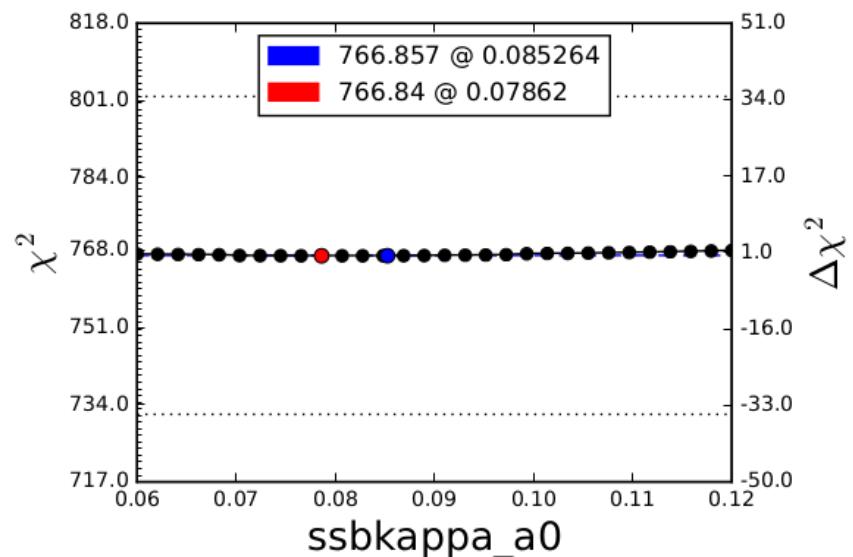
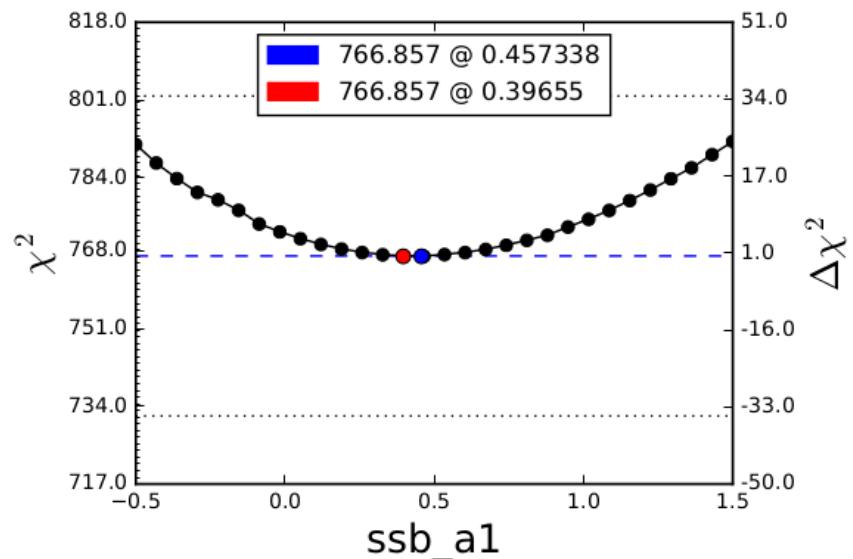
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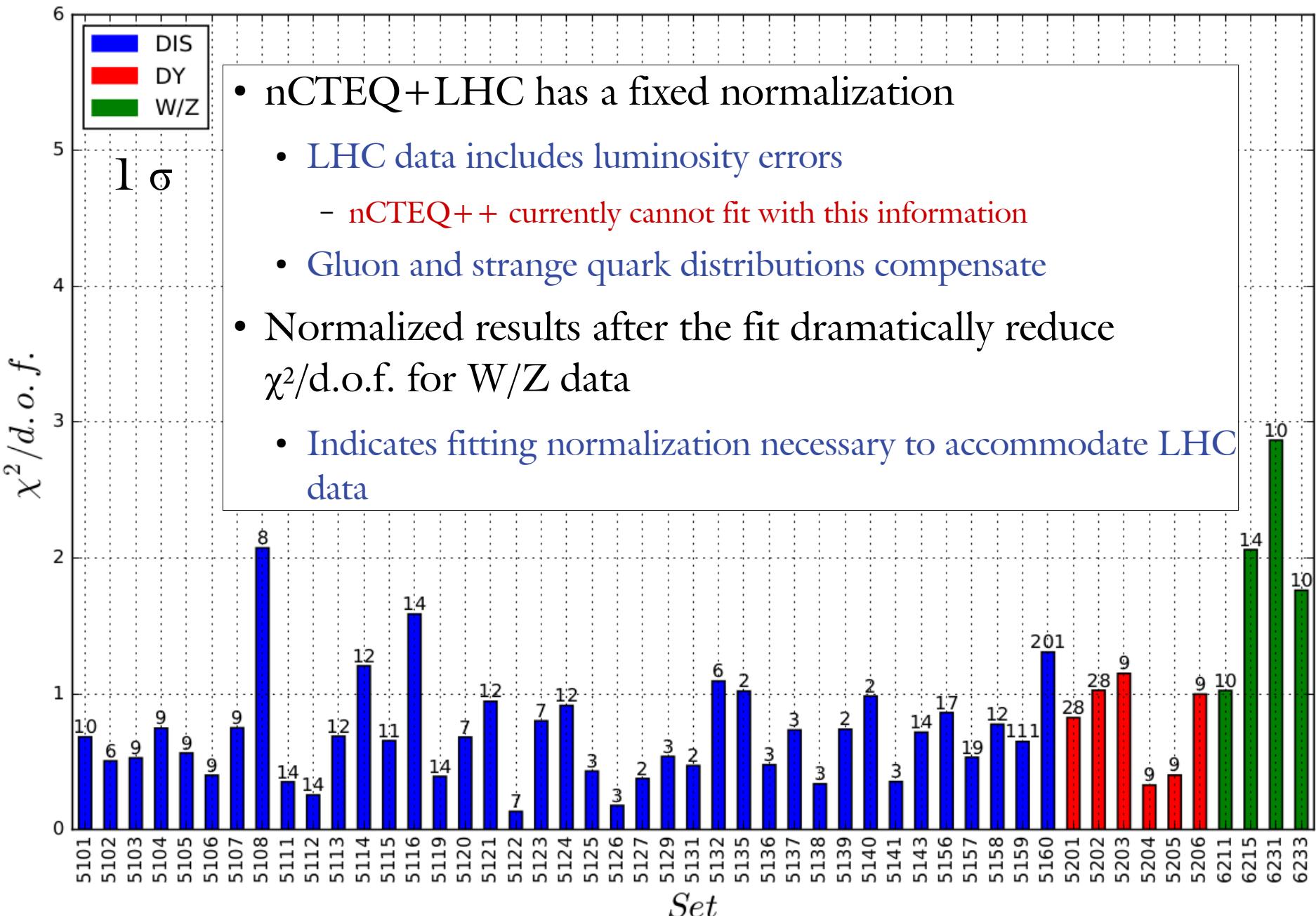
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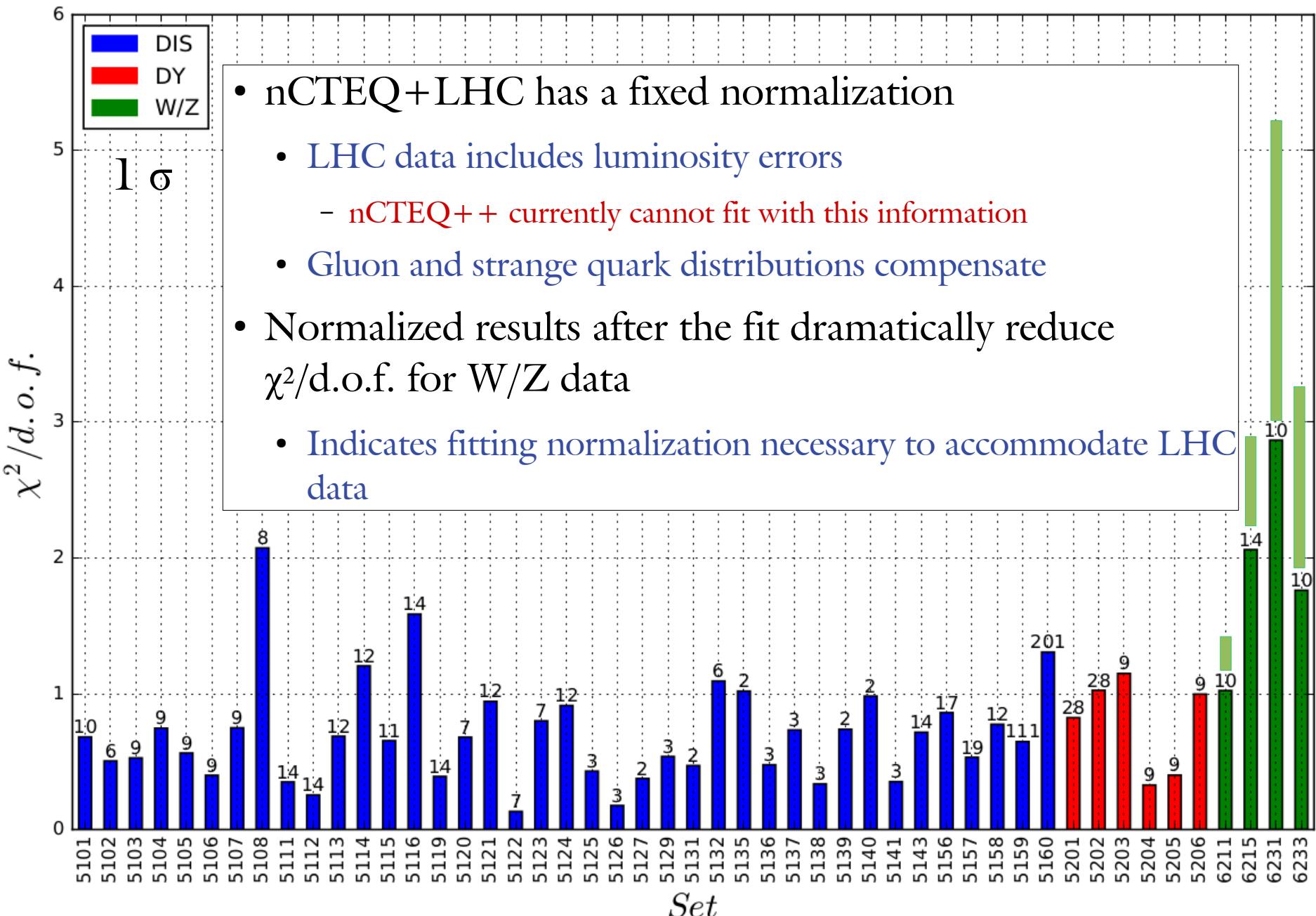
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 - Possibly due to small number of data points
 - Strange asymmetry remained fixed in parameterization
 - $\kappa=1/2$ from proton fit
- Parameter scans show insensitivity in strange



Normalization



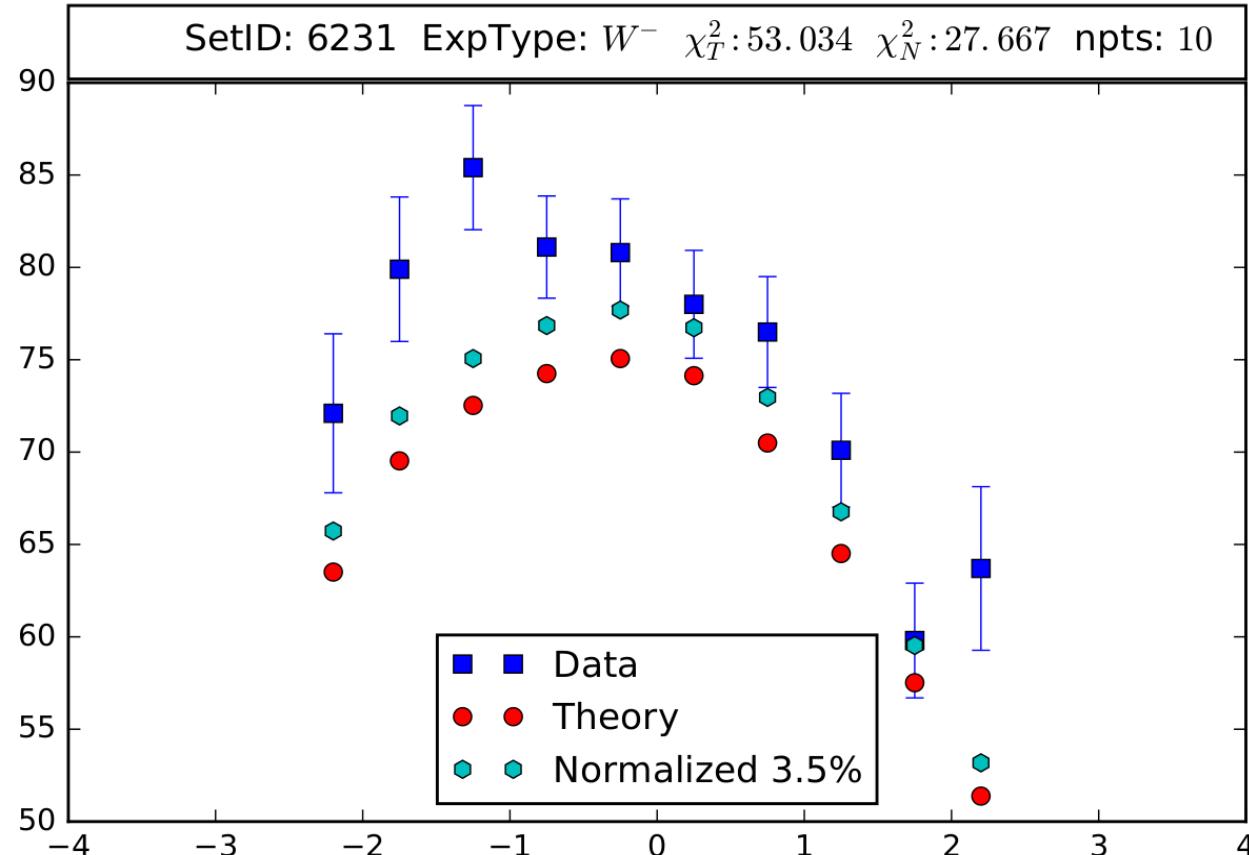
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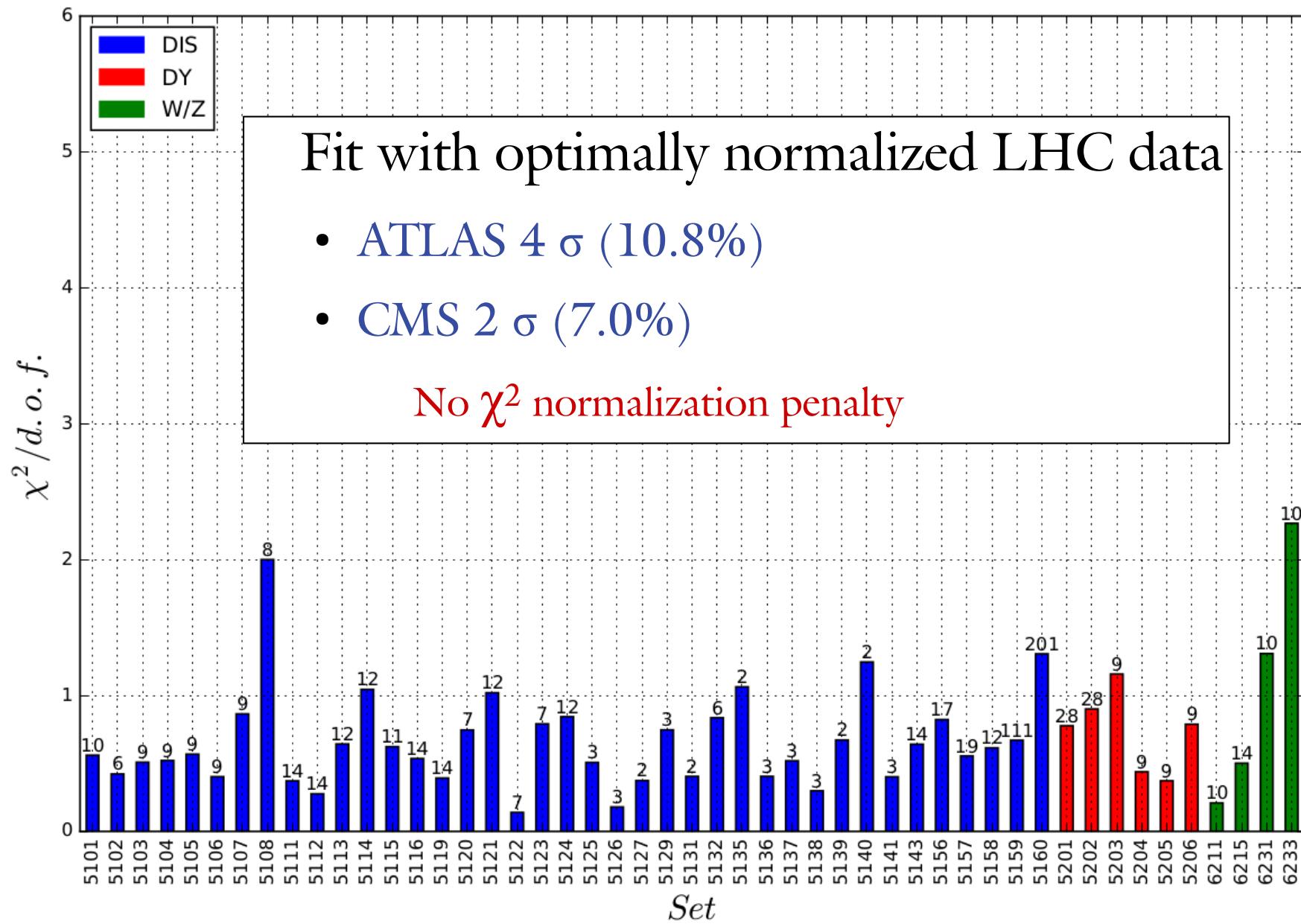
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nCTEQ15-np	χ^2 per d.o.f:	1.55	6.91	7.73	3.16
Reweighting	χ^2 per d.o.f:	0.87	3.27	2.95	1.76
nCTEQ+LHC	χ^2 per d.o.f:	1.30	5.30	3.36	2.75
nCTEQ+LHC ($1 \times \sigma_N$)	χ^2 per d.o.f:	0.92(+0.10)	2.77(+0.10)	1.66(+0.10)	1.96(+0.07)
nCTEQ+LHC ($4\sigma_N^{ATLAS}$, $2\sigma_N^{CMS}$)	χ^2 per d.o.f:	0.42(+1.60)	1.33(+0.40)	1.39(+0.40)	0.94(+1.14)

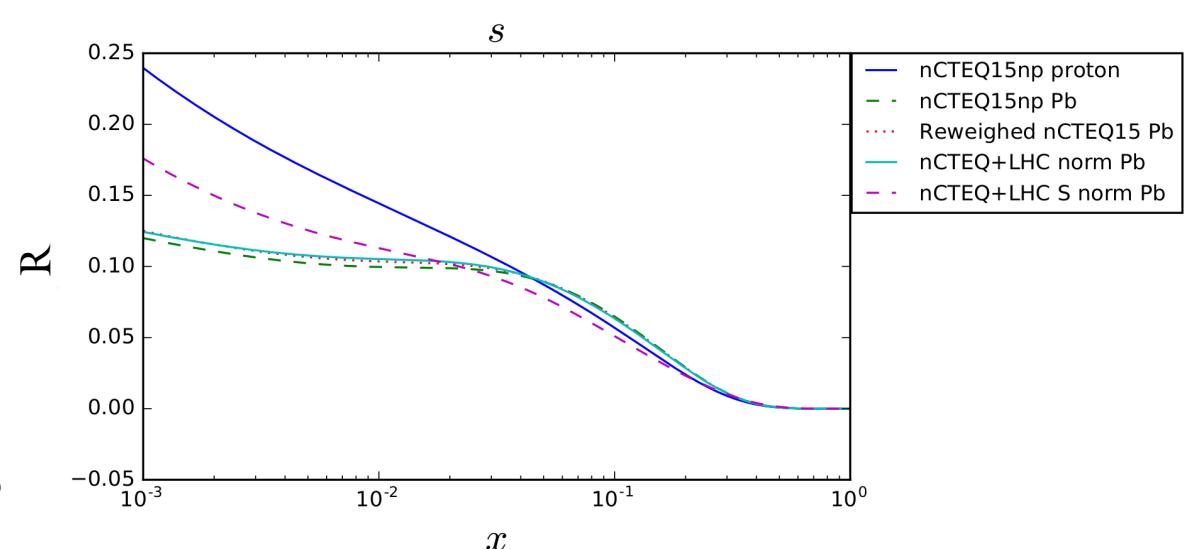
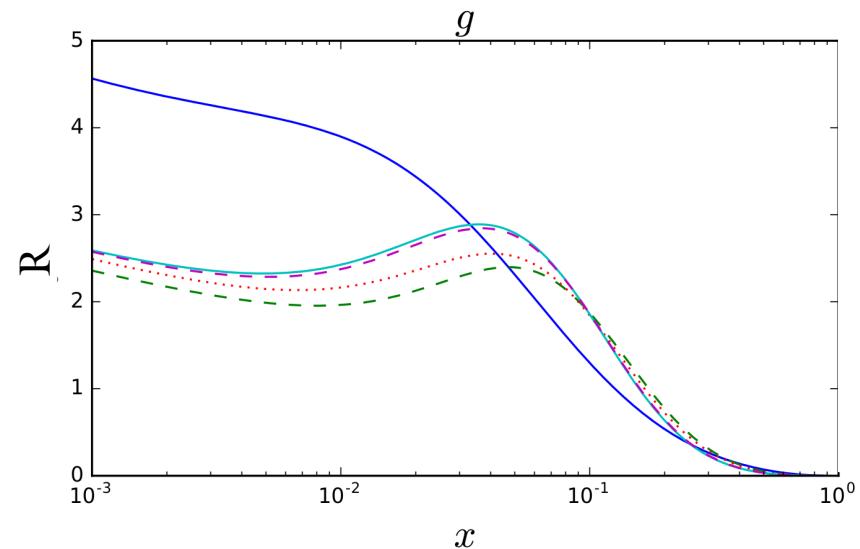
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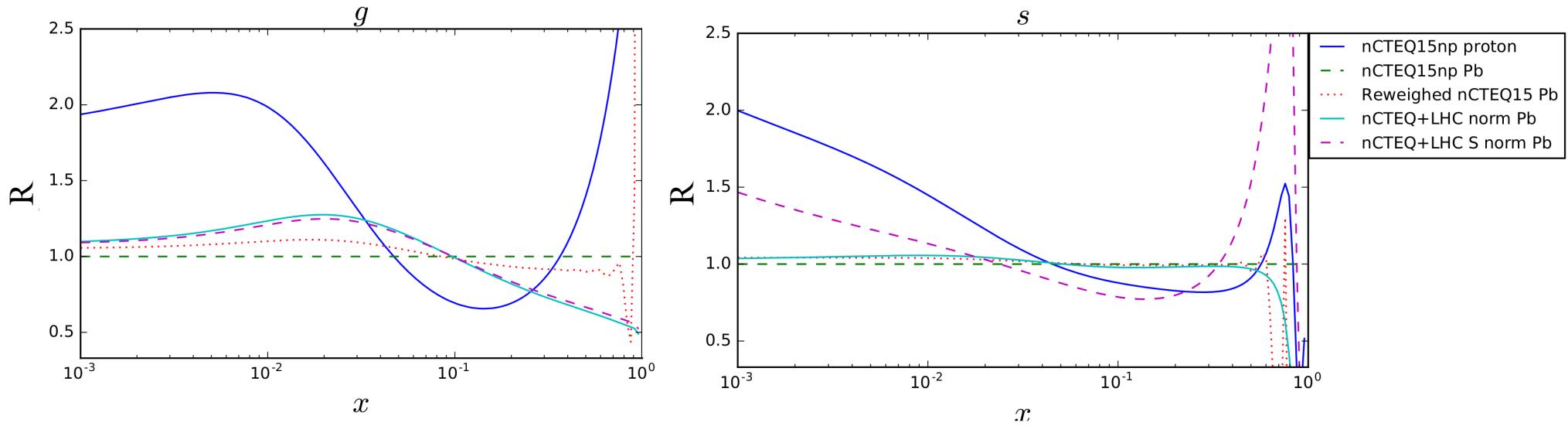


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Other Topics

ManeParse

- Mathematica Package
- Parses and interpolates PDFs
- Calculation and visualization functionalities

Heavy Flavor Variable Number Schemes

- Work done with xFitter collaboration
- Studies the effect of shifting heavy quark mass thresholds for PDF fitting



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Next Steps nCTEQ+LHC



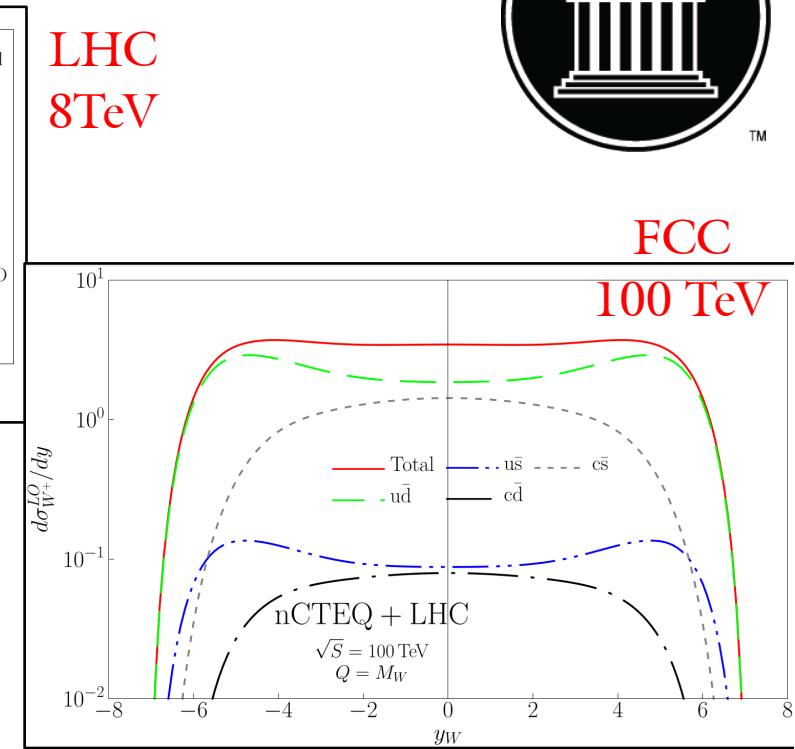
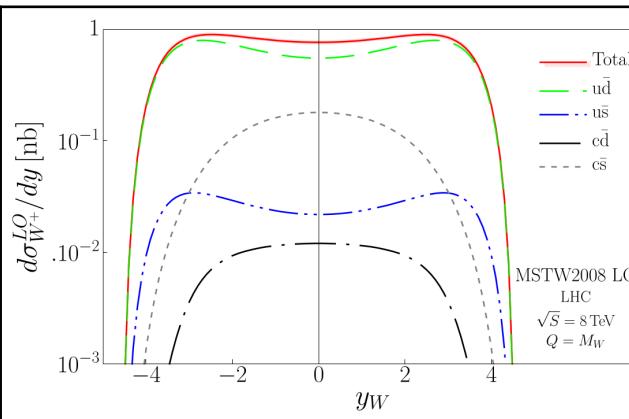
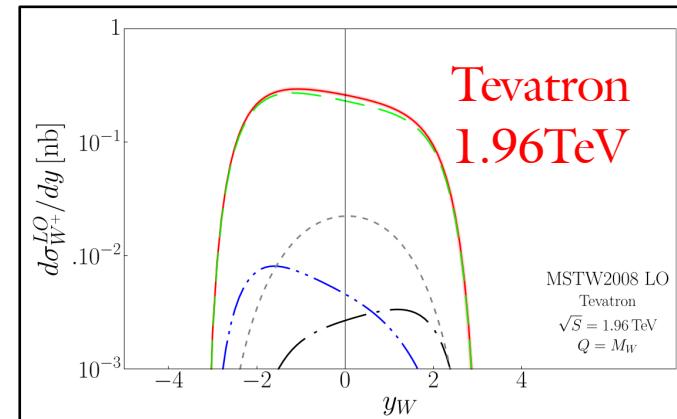
- More data available from the LHC
 - nCTEQ+LHC only contains a fraction of the data sets used in the reweighting study
 - e.g. LHCb, ALICE, ATLAS W⁺, PbPb sets
 - MCFM provides expansive library of processes (~ 1000)
 - Gridded theory predictions for a variety of types of data
- Dynamic normalization fitting with χ^2 penalties
 - Module nearly complete
- Hessian Error analysis to describe error bars on PDFs
 - Delicate for nuclear fitting due to lack of data and flat parameter space
 - In progress

MCFM Processes Library (v6.8)



Citation

W+ Production at FCC

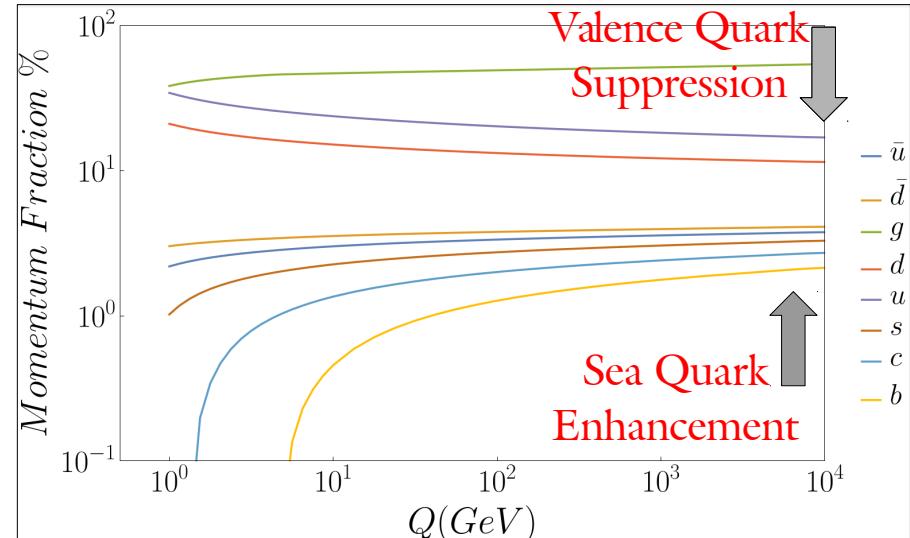


- The Future Circular Collider

- Proposed as a future hadron-hadron collider
- Energies pushing 100 TeV

- Using nCTEQ+LHC to study W production

- At FCC energies, $\bar{c}s$ is nearly as large as $\bar{u}d$
 - Especially at central rapidity
- Fitting the strange quark PDF would have significant impact on this measurement





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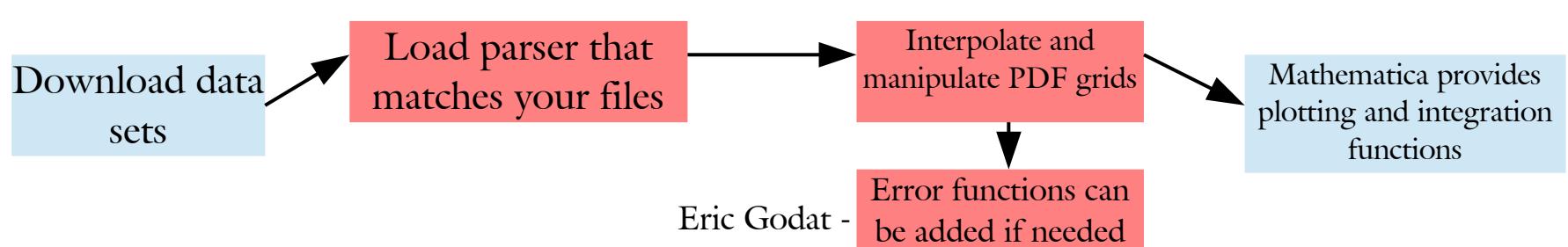
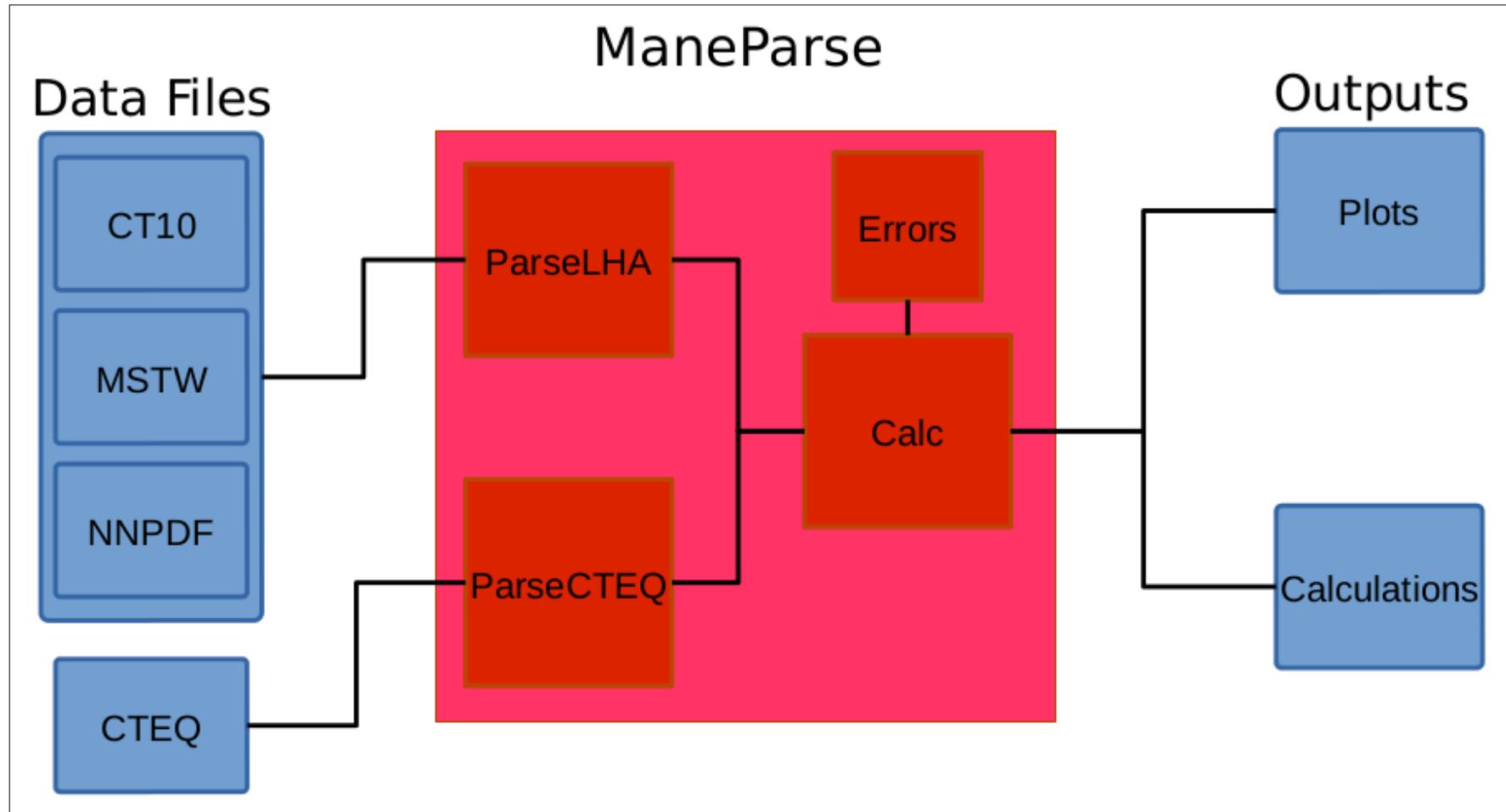
ManeParse

Development and Purpose



- Lightweight PDF Reader for multiple collaborations
 - LHAPDF6
 - CTEQ PDS
- Custom 4-point Lagrange Interpolation Routine
 - Fast, reliable, transparent
 - Adds continuity to otherwise discrete grids
- Mathematica provides user-friendly plotting and calculation functions
- Able to use multiple error techniques
 - Hessian
 - Monte Carlo
- Observables such as Luminosities and Cross Sections are calculable as well

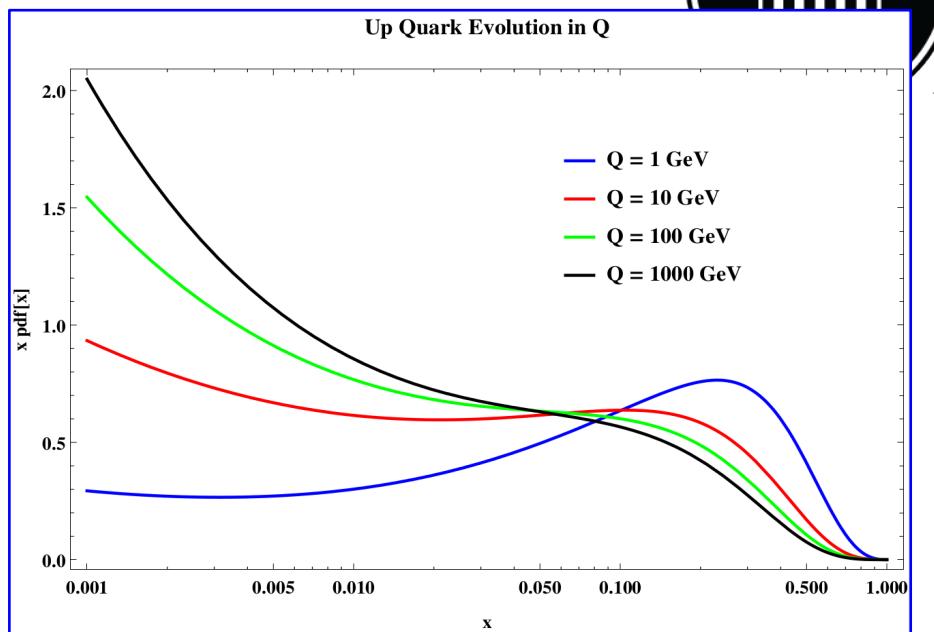
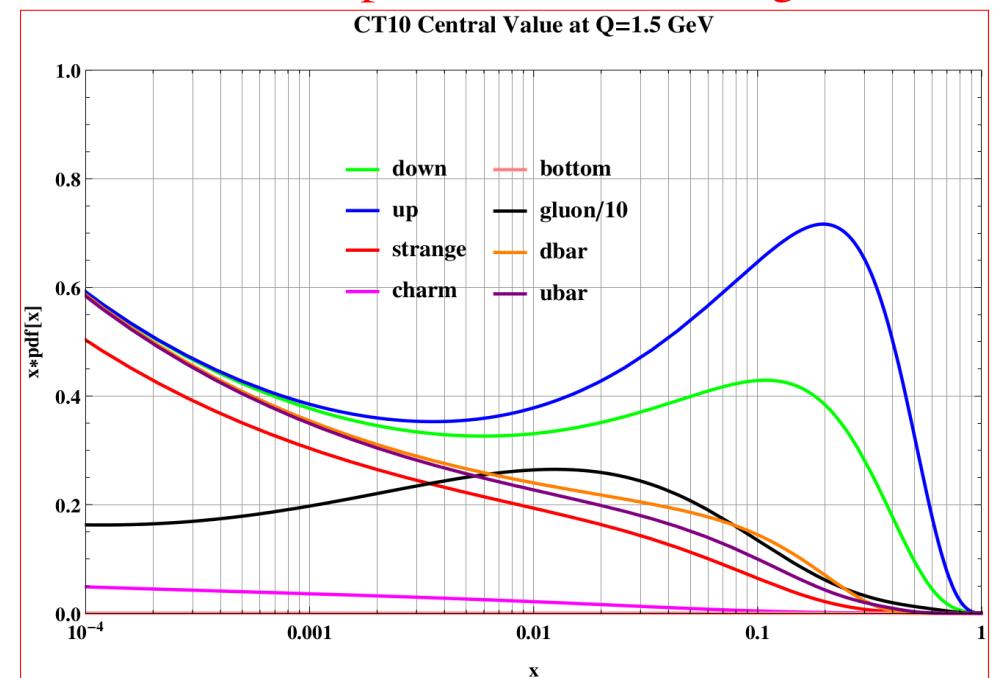
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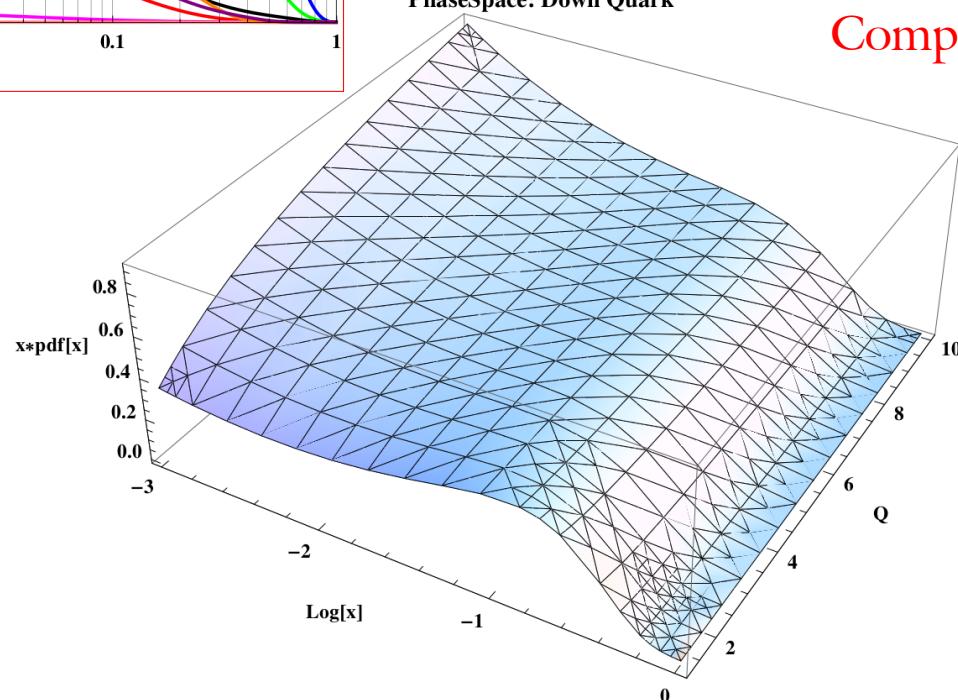


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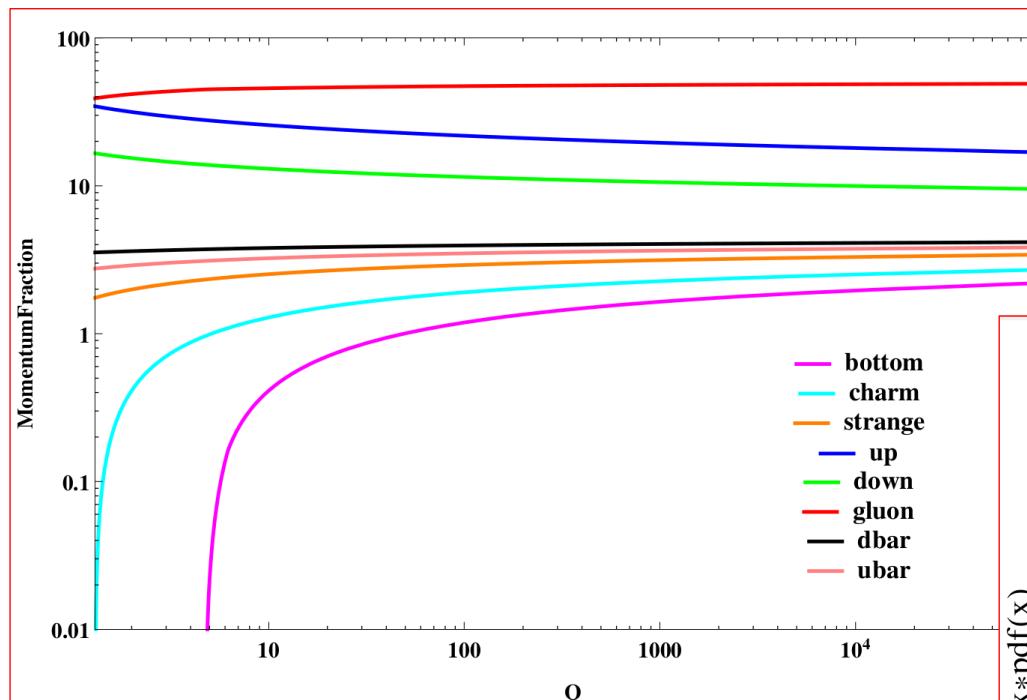


Compare PDFs at different energies

Visualize Phase Space with 3D plotting



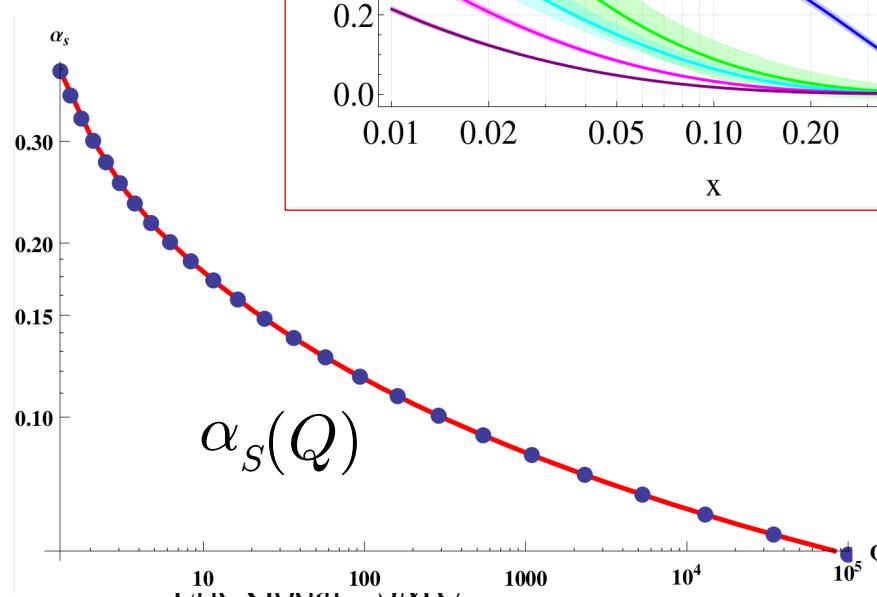
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Momentum Sum Rule
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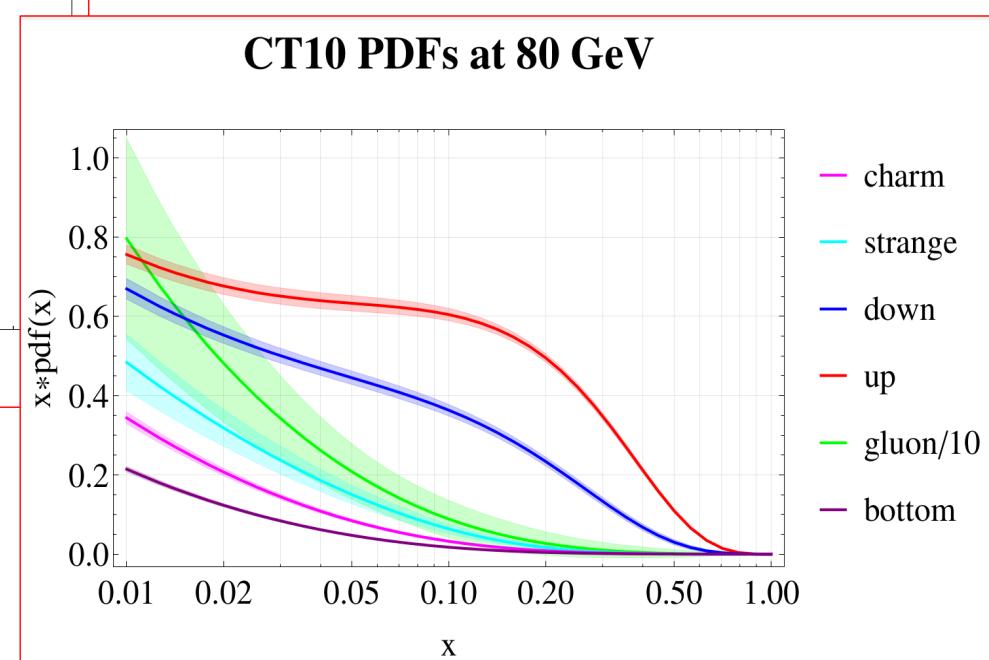
$$1 = \sum_i \int_0^1 x \cdot pdf_i(x, Q) dx$$

Proper α_s is essential for NLO+
calculations



Full sets of PDFs inside Mathematica

Easy to manipulate



- Interpolated
- Given



Contributions and Relationship

- ManeParse was developed exclusively by myself and Ben Clark under the supervision of Fred Olness
- My contributions:
 - LHAPDF6 Reader and Interface
 - The primary operating mode for most users
 - Designed majority of user functions
 - Wrote documentation for User Manual
 - Heavily contributed to content of the paper
- ManeParse was used extensively throughout this work
 - Cross checks
 - Visualization of results
 - FCC Prediction

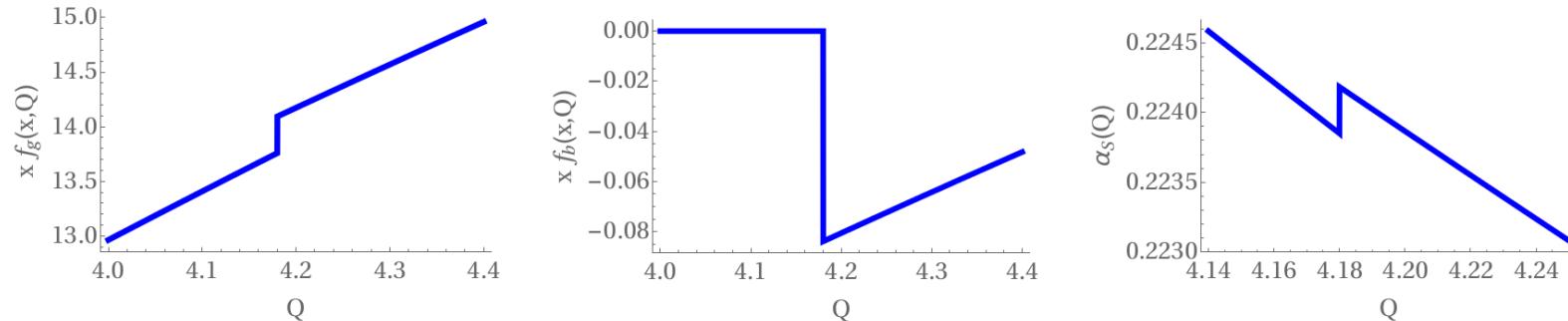
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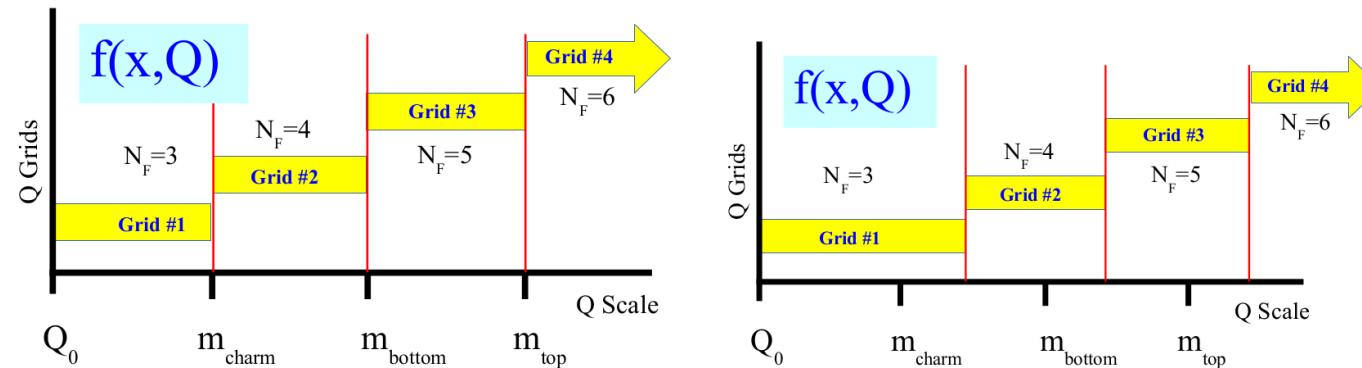
- Study the effect of shifting the mass thresholds for the heavy quarks when fitting PDFs to data
 - Done in xFitter in collaboration with xFitter development team
 - Charm and Bottom thresholds



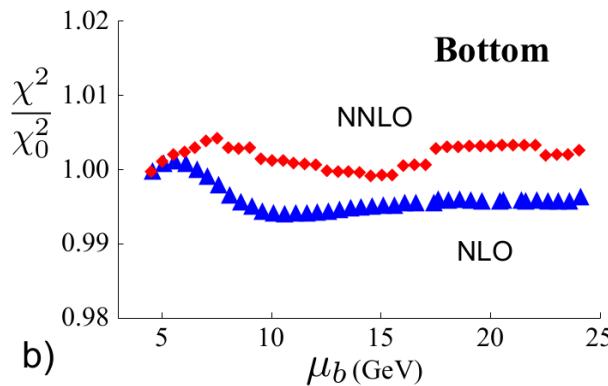
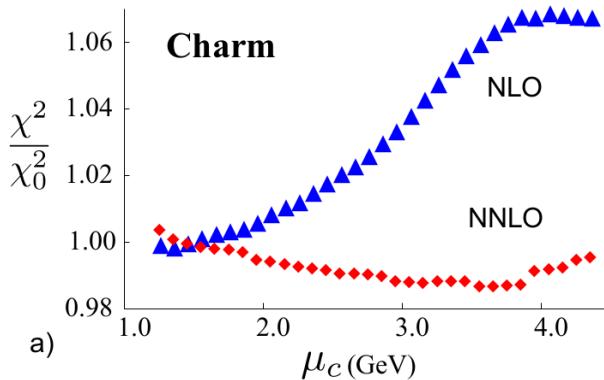
At NNLO, PDFs are discontinuous at mass thresholds for the quarks



This can be smoothed for fitting to data by shifting the mass threshold above the quark mass



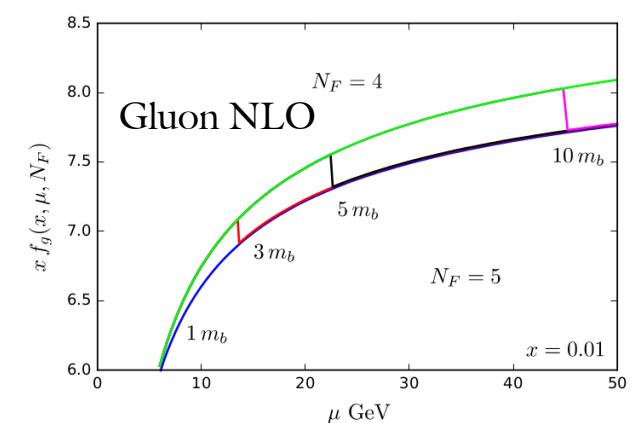
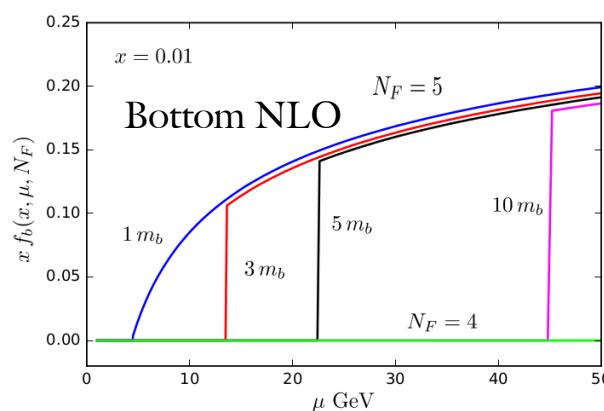
Fitting Heavy Quarks



- Charm
 - NLO: Optimal threshold $\sim m_c$
 - Strong preference ($\sim 6\%$)
 - NNLO: No obvious threshold
 - Little variation ($\sim 1\%$)
- Bottom
 - NLO: Optimal threshold $\sim 2m_b$
 - Little Preference ($< 1\%$)
 - NNLO: Optimal threshold $\sim m_b$
 - Little Preference ($< 1\%$)

N_f dependent PDF

- Transition between number schemes
- Allows more flexibility in choice of number scheme





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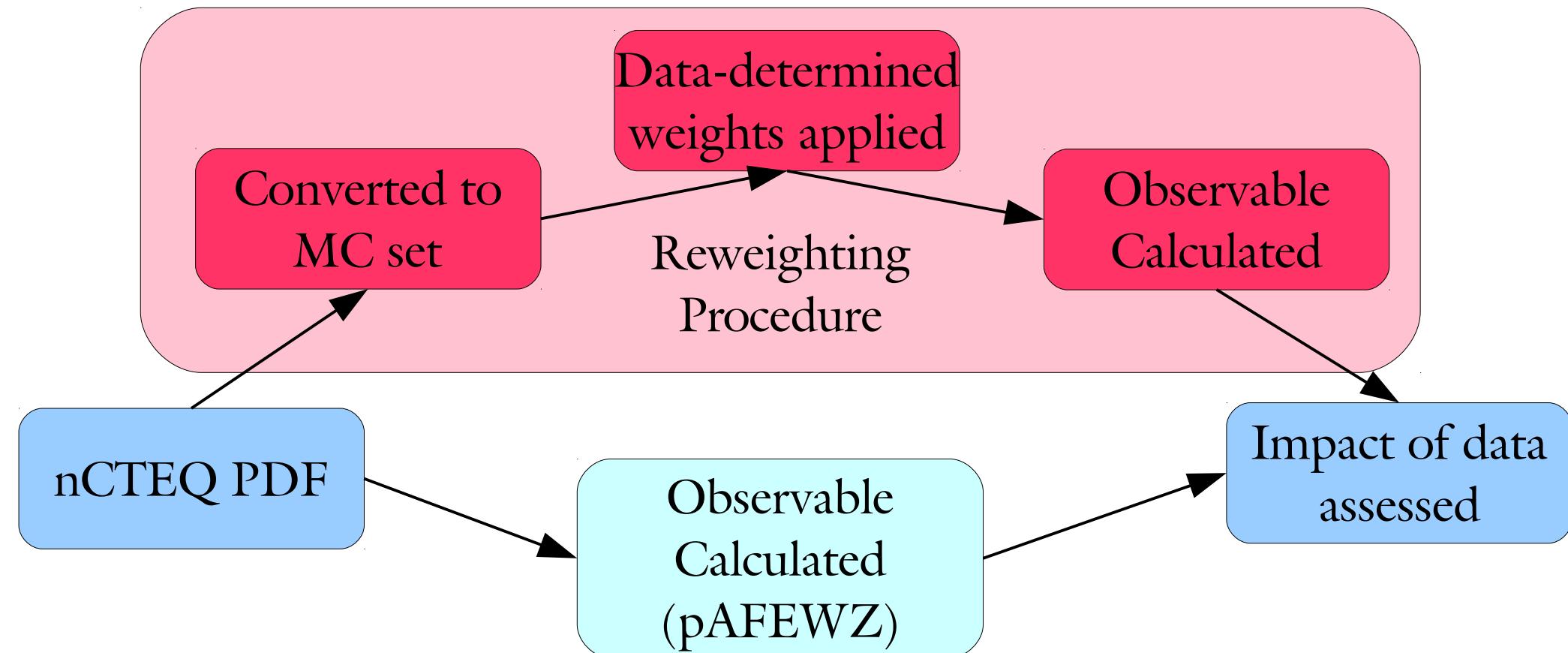
- Contributions:
 - Assisting with xFitter runs and analysis
 - Theory assessment for paper
 - Analysis of α_s for different flavor schemes in xFitter
 - Mirrors the work done later for nCTEQ++ validation
- Led to a greater understanding of PDF fitting
 - nCTEQ fits at NLO not NNLO
 - Not applicable to nCTEQ++ and nCTEQ+LHC

Reweighting

Reweighting



- Determine the effect LHC pPb and PbPb W/Z data would have on existing nPDFs without a full refit



Reweighting Formalism



Bayesian Reweighting Technique

- Generate Replica: $f_k(x) = f_0 + \sum_i \frac{1}{2}(f_i^+ - f_i^-)R_{ik}$

- Calculate Giele-Keller weights:

$$w_k = \frac{e^{\frac{-1}{2}\chi_k^2}}{\frac{1}{N_{rep}} \sum_i e^{\frac{-1}{2}\chi_i^2}}$$

- Estimate weighted average and standard deviation:

$$\langle O \rangle = \frac{1}{N_{rep}} \sum_k w_k O(f_k)$$

$$\delta \langle O \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_{rep}} \sum_k w_k (O(f_k) - \langle O \rangle)^2}$$



Contributions and Relationship

- Reweighting determined that LHC W/Z Data would be worth adding to nCTEQ15 fit
 - New kinematic region previously unconstrained by data
 - Potential to open strange parameter
- My contributions:
 - Validation of reweighting results in ManeParse
 - Numerous contributions from my work on nCTEQ+LHC (post-publication)

Backup Slides

Determination of α_s



nCTEQ++:

Runge-Kutta numerical solution

Number of Quark Flavors – 4, 5, 6

FORTRAN:

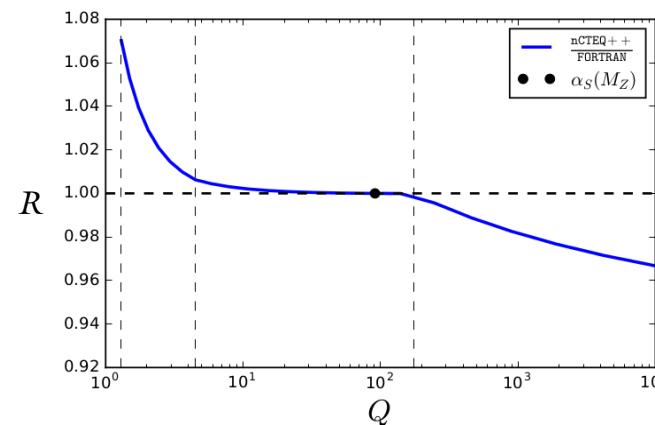
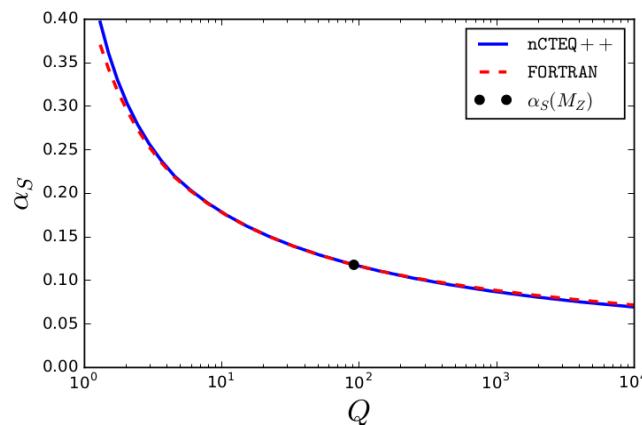
Truncated analytic series solution

Number of Quark Flavors – 4, 5

$$\text{Leading Order: } \alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{1}{b \ln(Q^2/\Lambda_{QCD}^2)}$$

Higher Orders:

$$\frac{d\alpha_S}{d \ln(Q^2)} = \beta(\alpha_S(Q^2)) = -(b_0 \alpha_S^2 + b_1 \alpha_S^3 + b_2 \alpha_S^4 + \dots)$$



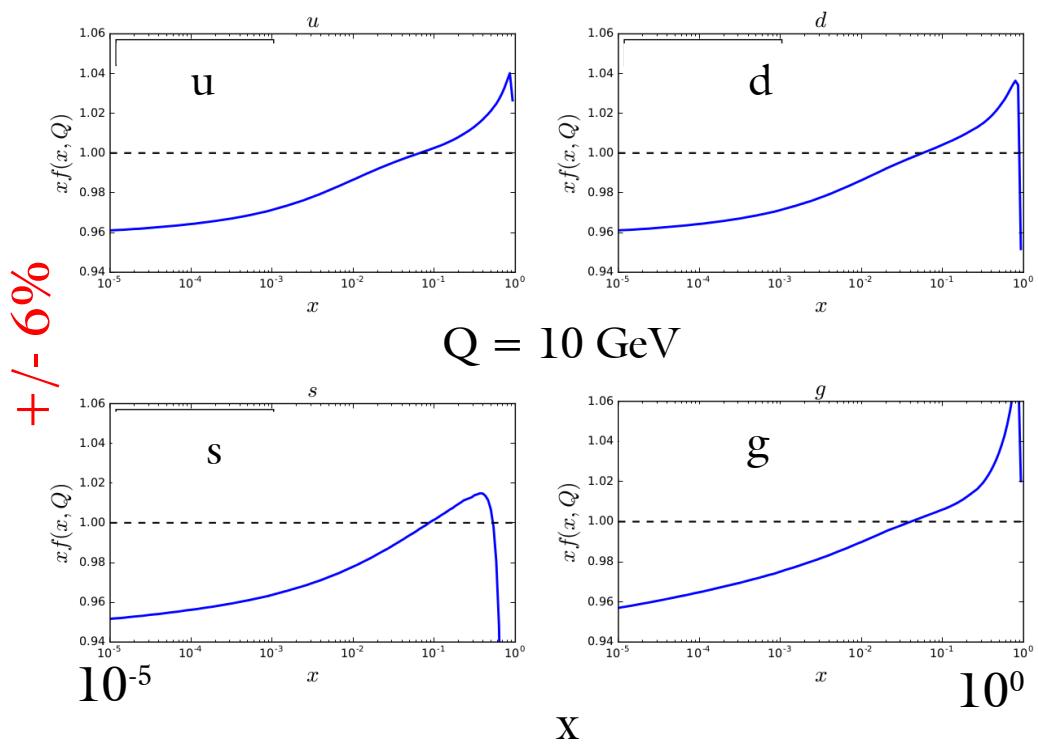
$$b_0 = \frac{33 - 2n_f}{12\pi}$$

$$b_1 = \frac{153 - 19n_f}{24\pi^2}$$

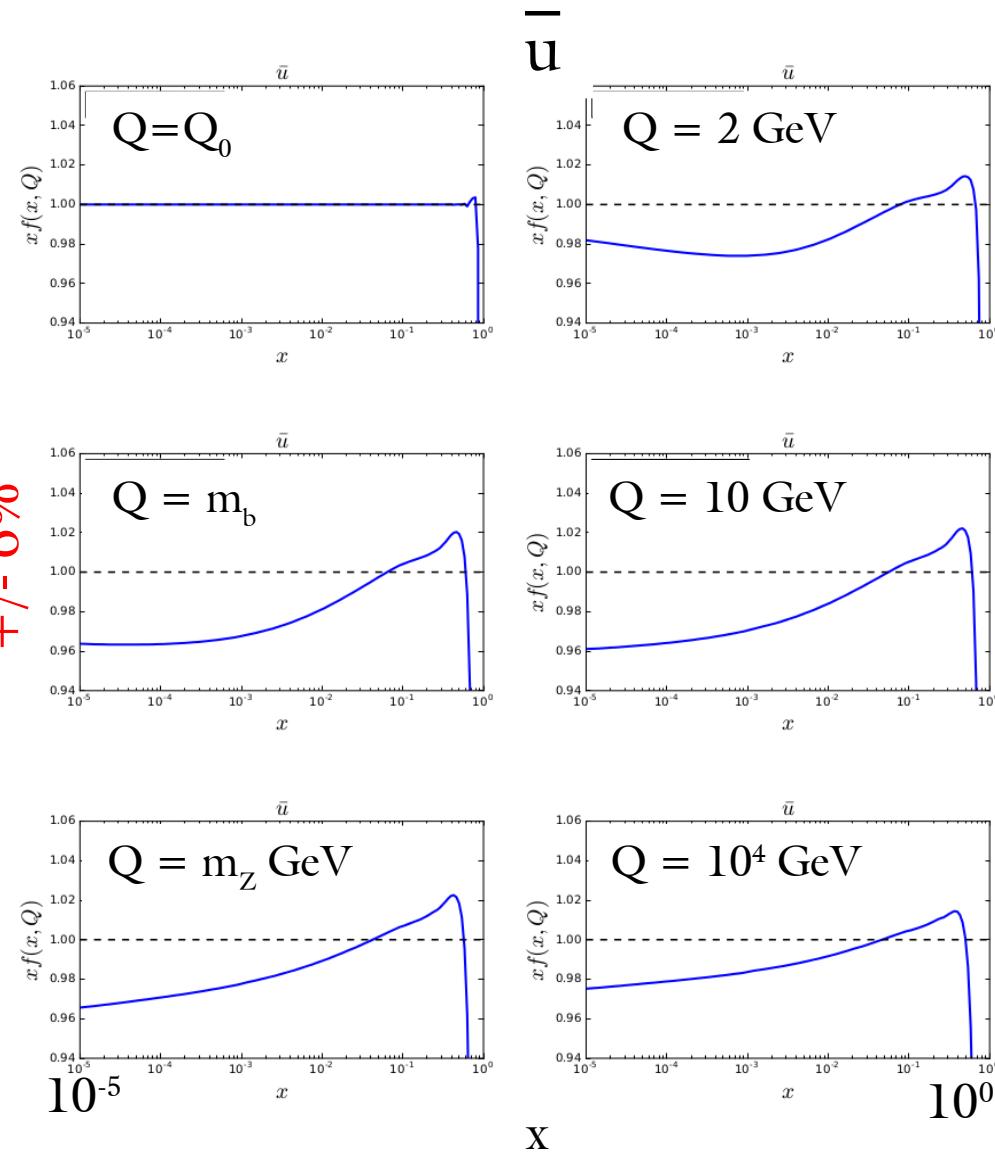
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Ratio of PDF Evolution Codes



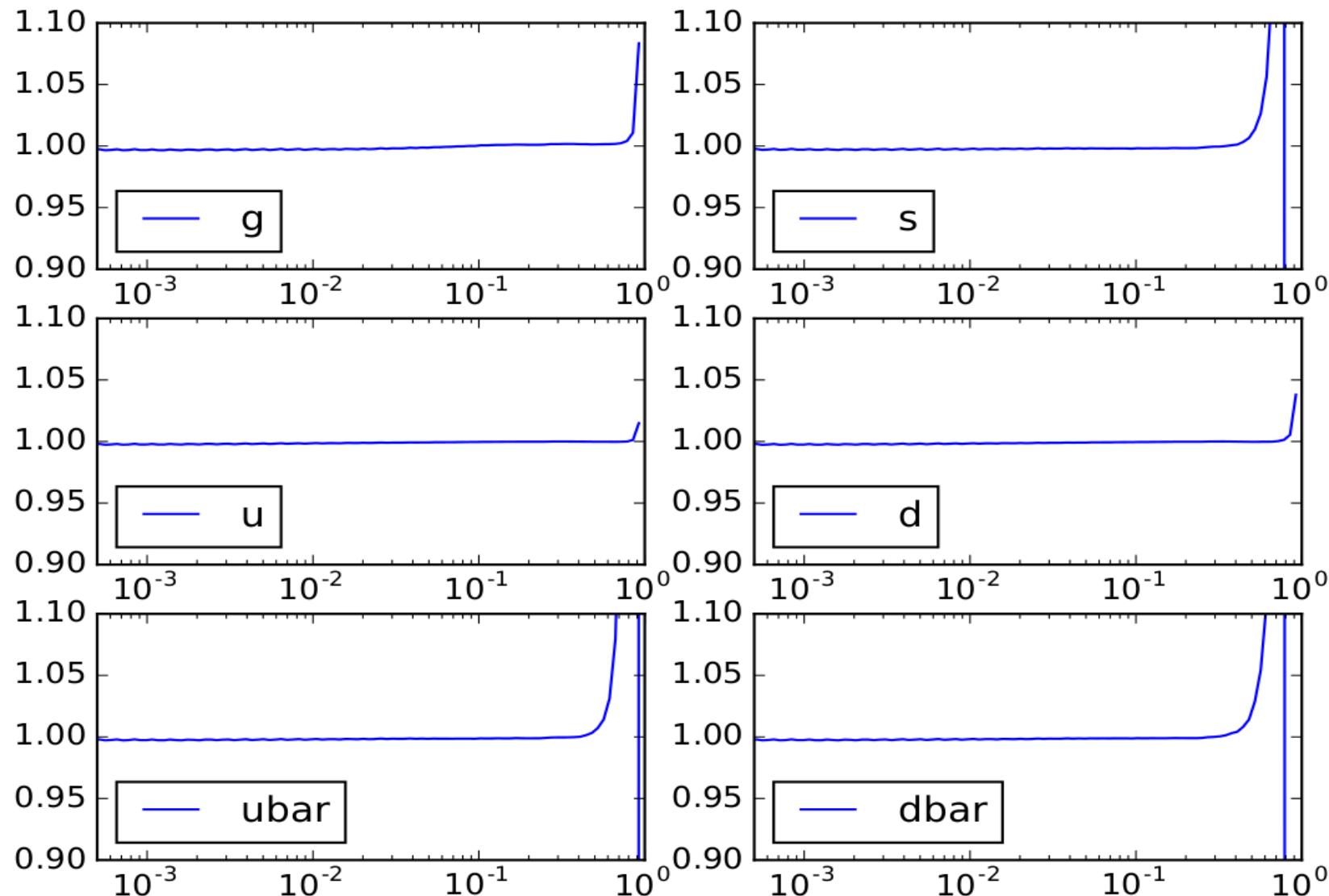
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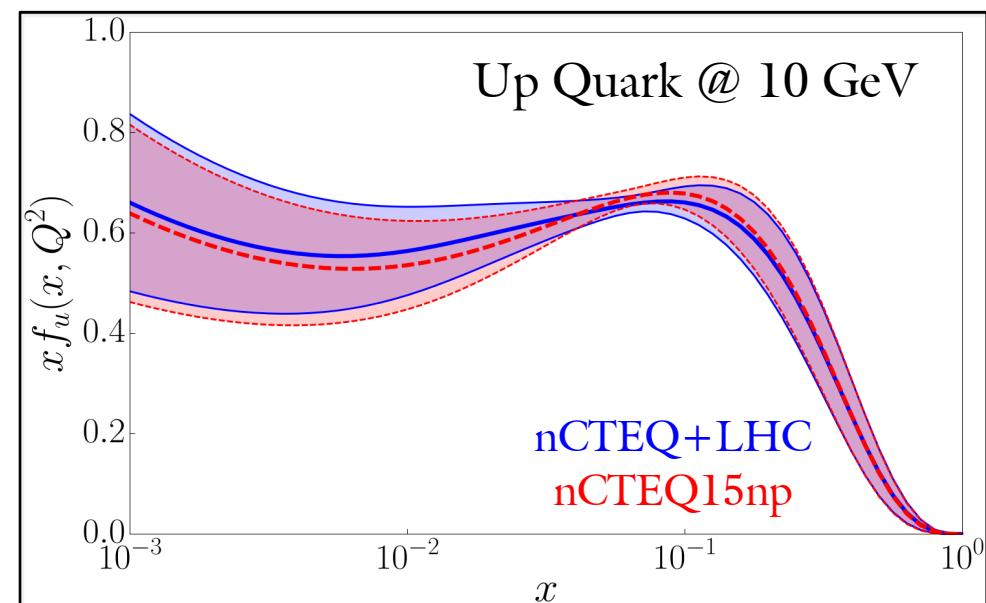
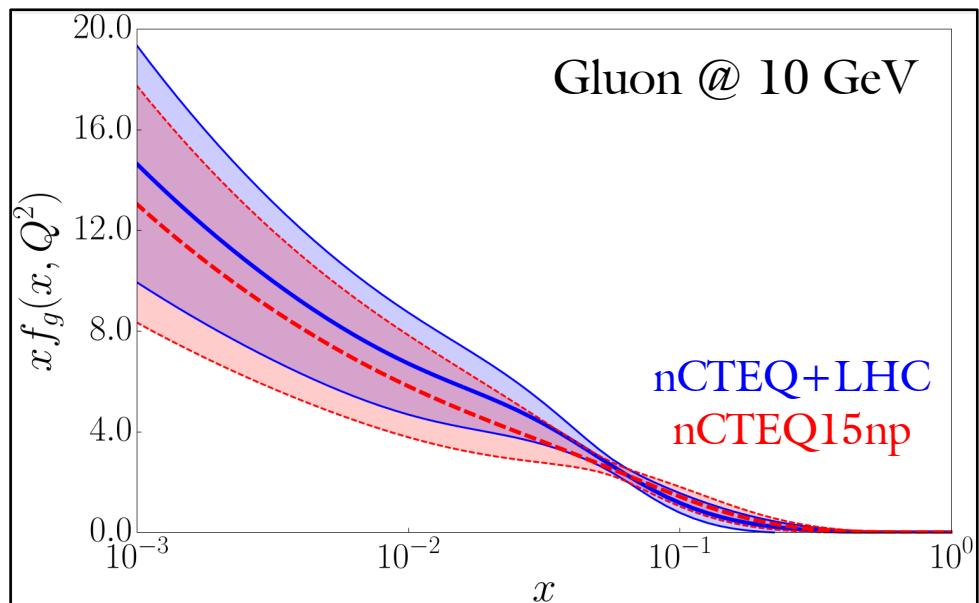
Ratio of PDF Evolution Codes
With the same α_s implemented



Error Band Estimate



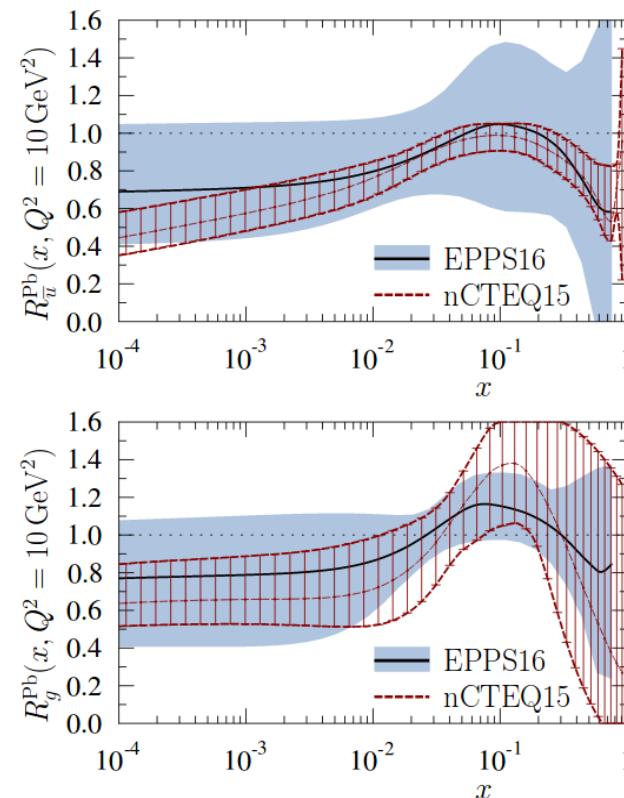
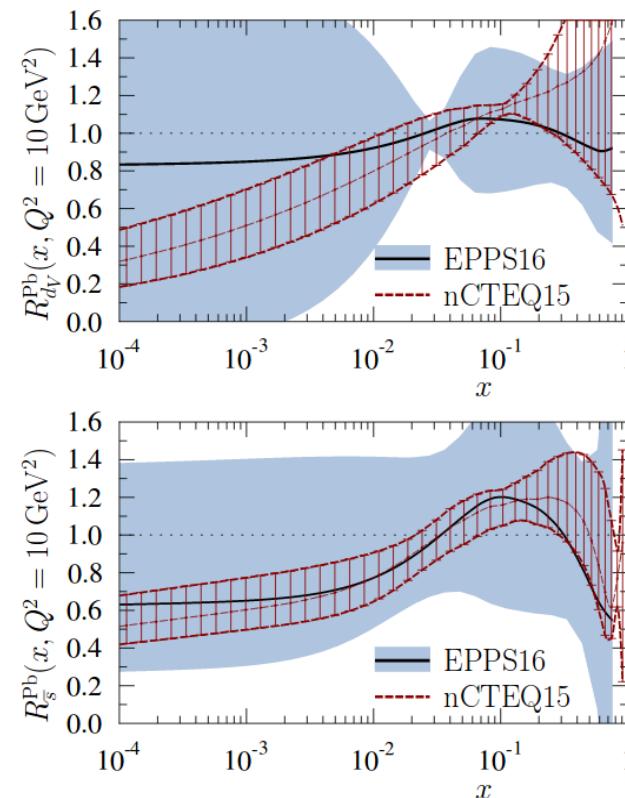
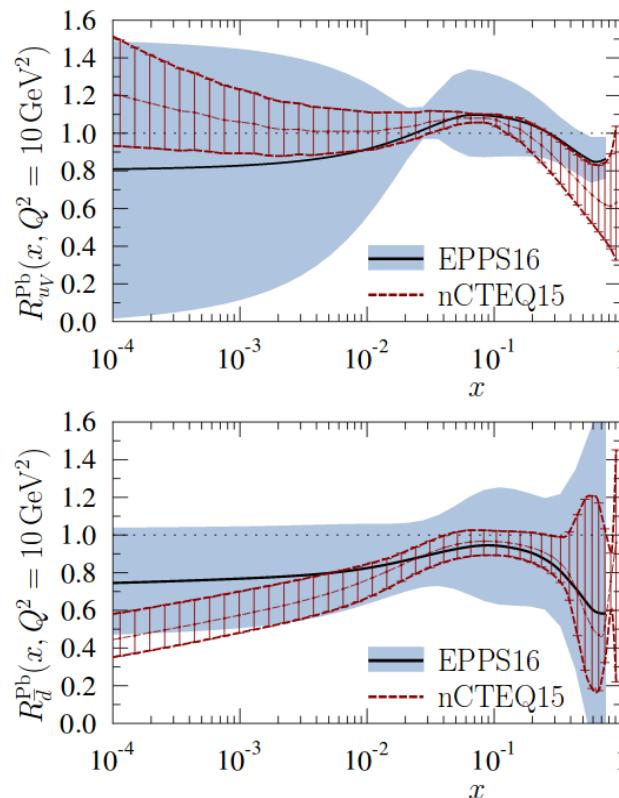
- nCTEQ++ currently lacks the capability to extract PDF error bands
 - Roughly estimate errors for nCTEQ+LHC by using nCTEQ15np error bands
 - Central value from nCTEQ+LHC +/- error from nCTEQ15np



EPPS16



- EPPS fits nuclear ratios, not nuclear PDFs
 - EPPS16 includes LHC data
 - CMS Di-jets
 - W/Z Production from CMS, Z Production from ATLAS
 - Also includes large number of CHORUS Pb Fixed Target DIS points (824)
- More than double the data points in nCTEQ15 (1789)



Nuclear Correction Regions



(1) Shadowing

- Destructive interference between virtual boson and nucleons

(2) Anti-Shadowing

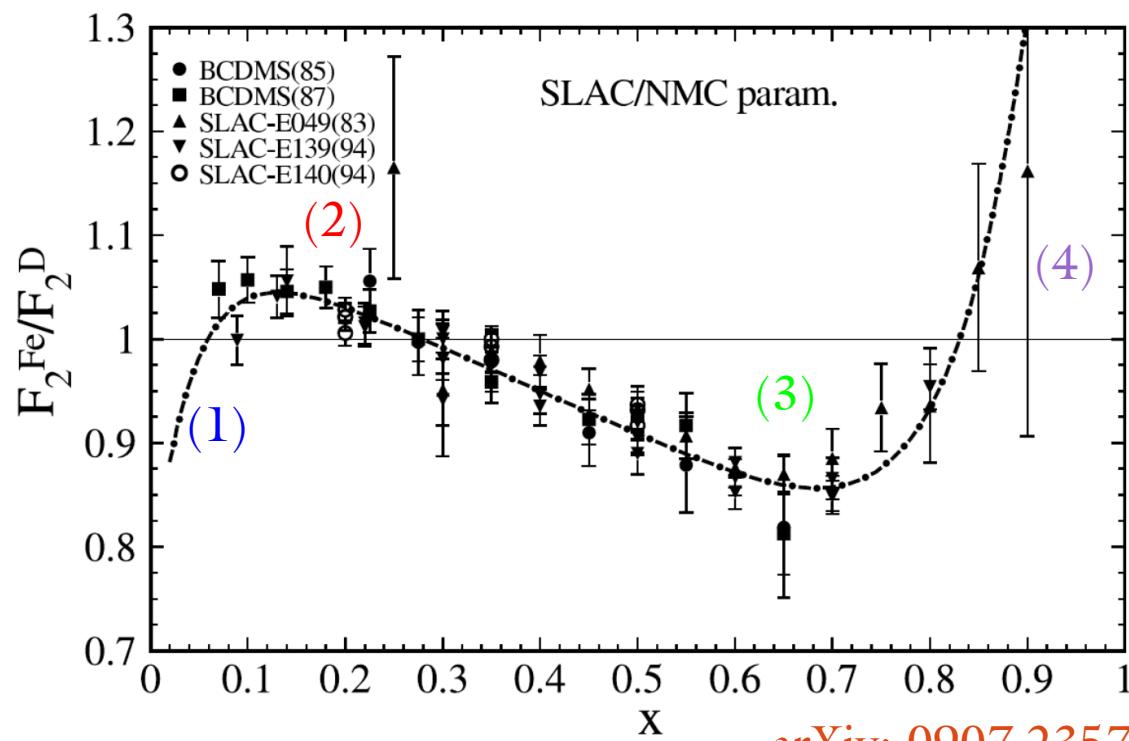
- Constructive interference between virtual boson and nucleons

(3) EMC Effect

- Discovered by European Muon Collaboration in 1983
- No definitive explanation

(4) Fermi Motion

- Quantum motion of nucleons

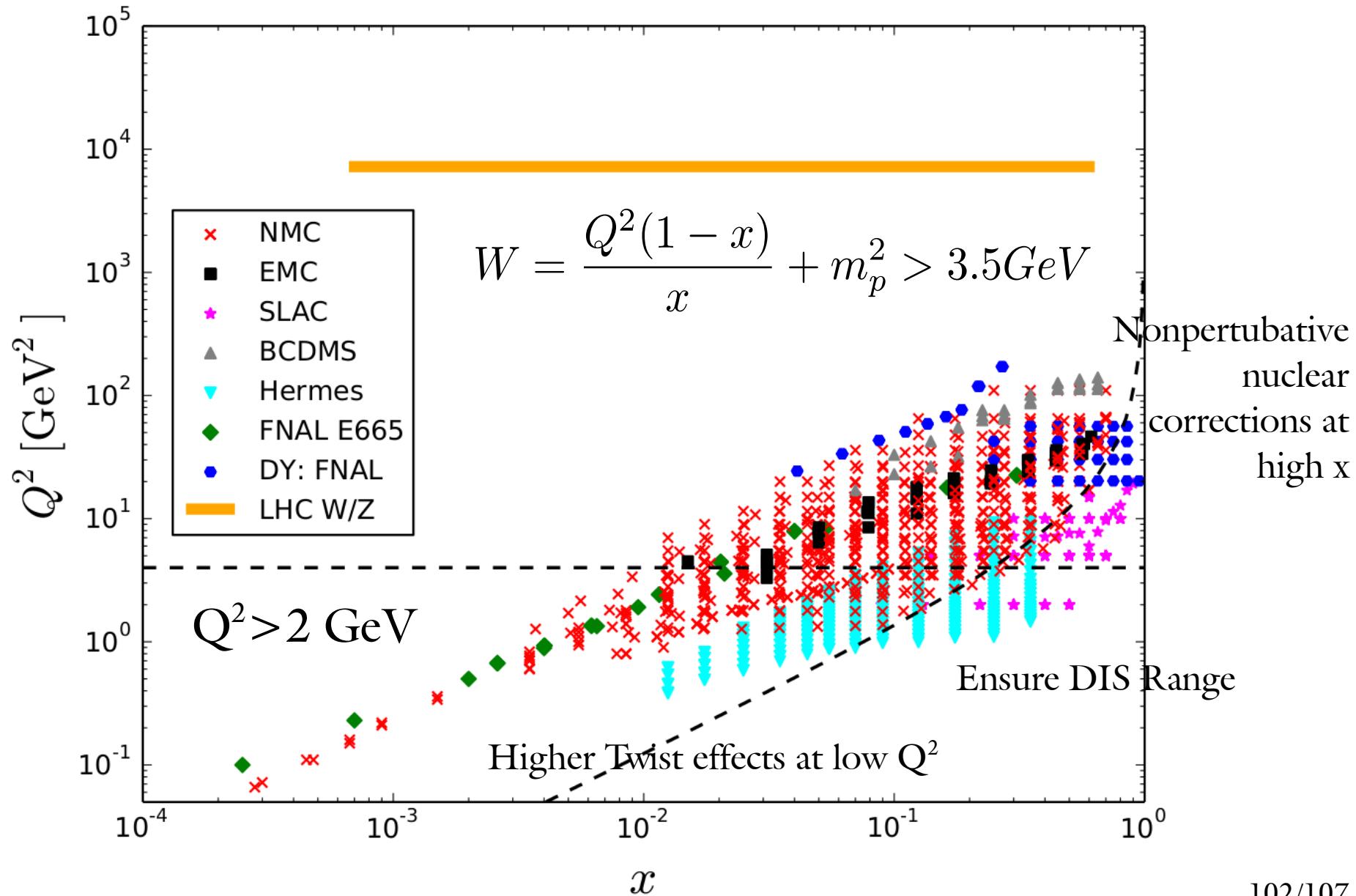


DIS Structure Functions



- The experimental observable related to hadronic structure
 - In the parton model, they can be mapped directly to PDFs
 - DIS Cross Section:
 - $\frac{d^2\sigma^i}{dxdy} = \left(\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{xyQ^2}\eta^i\right) \left\{ y^2xF_1^i + \left(1 - y - \frac{x^2y^2M^2}{Q^2}\right) F_2^i \mp \left(y - \frac{y^2}{2}\right) xF_3^i \right\}$
 - $F_L = 0 \Rightarrow F_2 = 2xF_1$
 - This is known as the Callan-Gross relation
 - Example:
 - $F_2^{ep} = \frac{4}{9}x[u + \bar{u} + c + \bar{c}] + \frac{1}{9}x[d + \bar{d} + s + \bar{s}]$

LHC Data vs Current Data Cuts



Twist

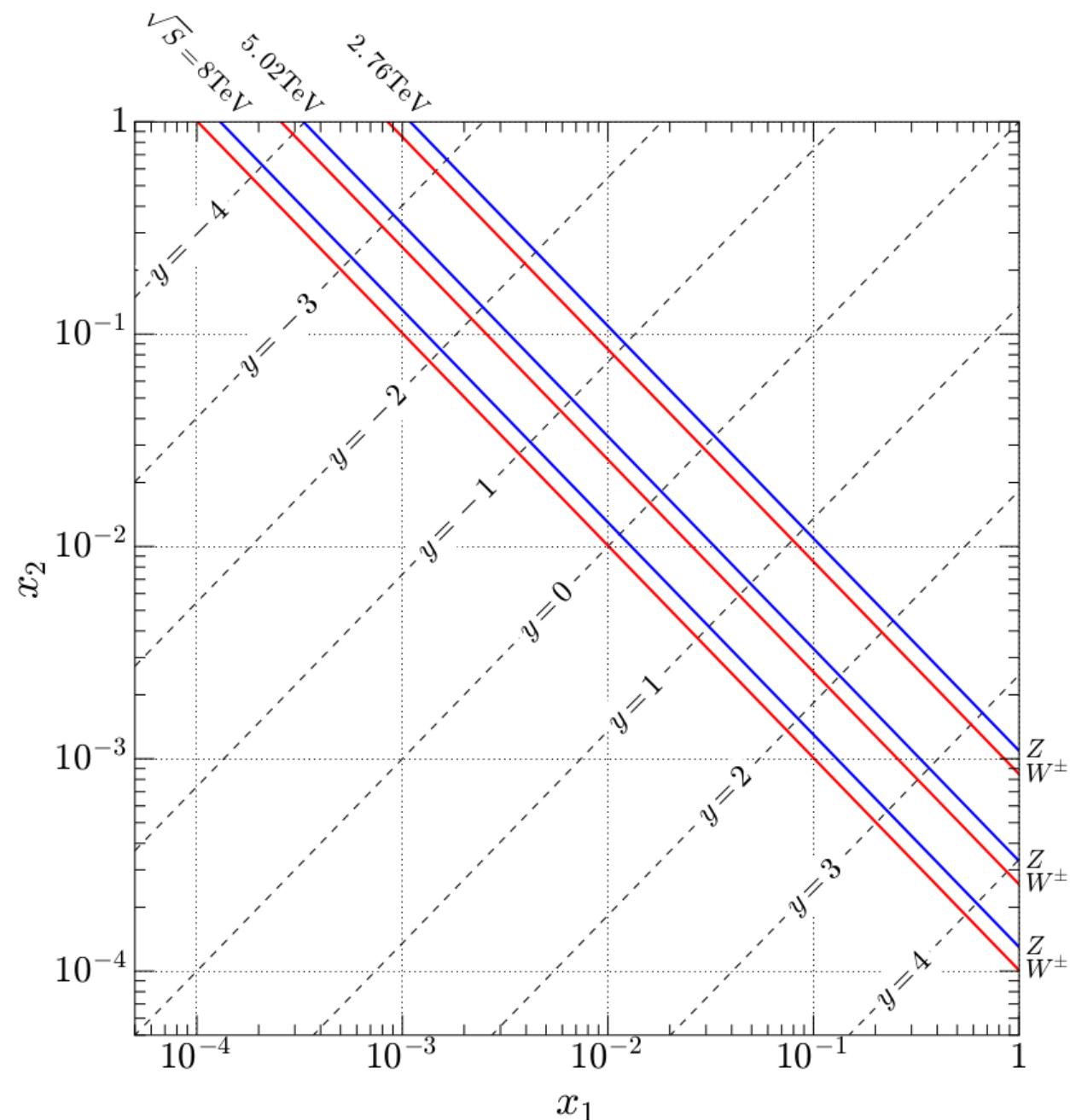


- Formally a quantum number describing the exponent on the mass term of the matrix element in the definition of the structure function
 - Determined solely through dimensional analysis
 - Related to the dimension and spin
 - Twist-2 is Leading Order
 - Twist-3 and Twist-4 are considered higher order
- Practically it describes the order (in $1/Q^2$) at which an effect is seen in an experiment
 - Gluon interactions within the nucleon are higher twist effects
 - High twist effects are suppressed by $1/Q^2$
 - Cuts at low Q^2 are designed to limit these contributions
- Intuitively it describes how uncertain we are that a particular parton actually has the momentum that the PDF describes during the short range scattering process

Relating x_1 and x_2 to Rapidity



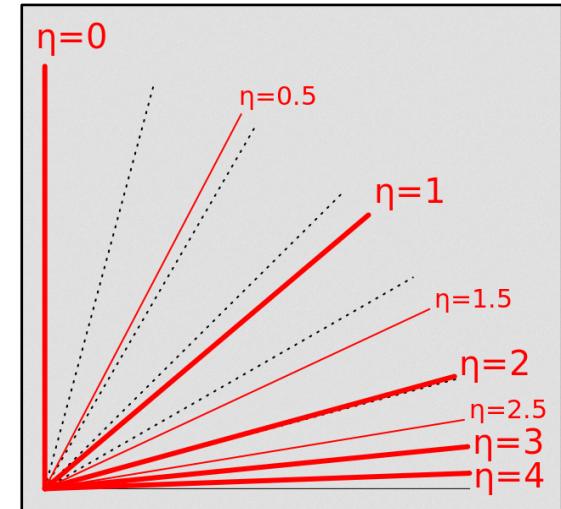
x_2 is the
Lead PDF



Collider Definitions



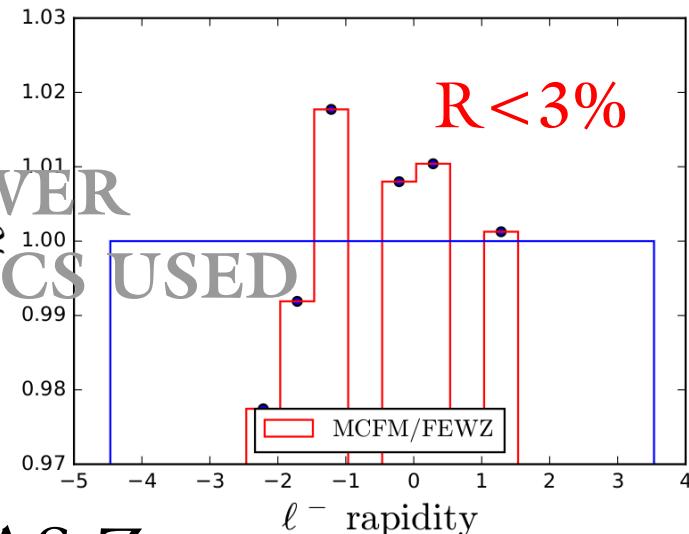
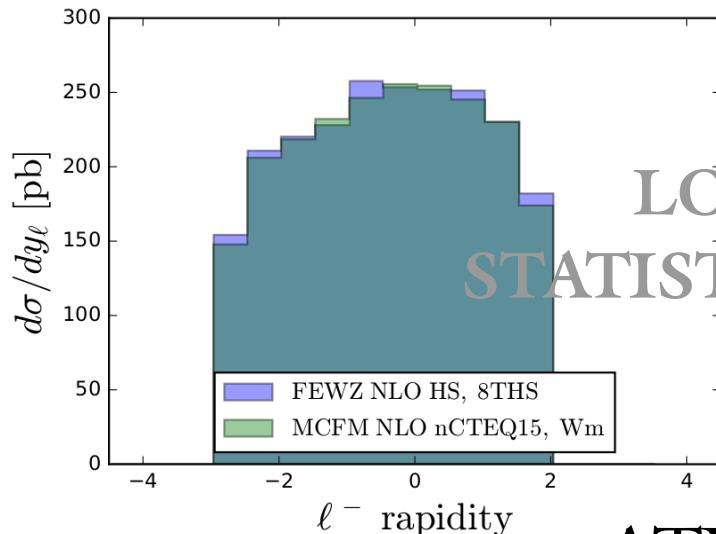
- Rapidity: $y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z}$
 - A measure of how far forward a particle is boosted
- Pseudorapidity: $\eta = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{\vec{p} + p_z}{\vec{p} - p_z}$
 - The massless equivalent of rapidity
- Cross Section: $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow H + X} = \sum_{ij} \int_{\tau}^1 d\tau \frac{d\mathcal{L}_{ij}}{d\tau} \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\hat{s})$
 - A measure of how likely an interaction will occur
- Luminosity: $\frac{d\mathcal{L}_{ij}}{d\tau}(\tau, \mu) = \frac{1}{1 + \delta_{ij}} \int_{\tau}^1 \frac{1}{x} [f_i(x, \mu) f_j(\tau/x, \mu) + f_j(x, \mu) f_i(\tau/x, \mu)] dx$
 - Ratio of the number of events to the cross section
 - More luminosity = More Data



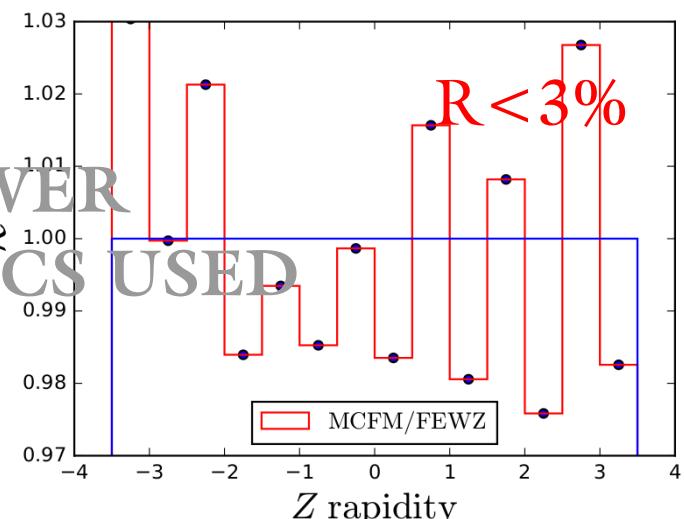
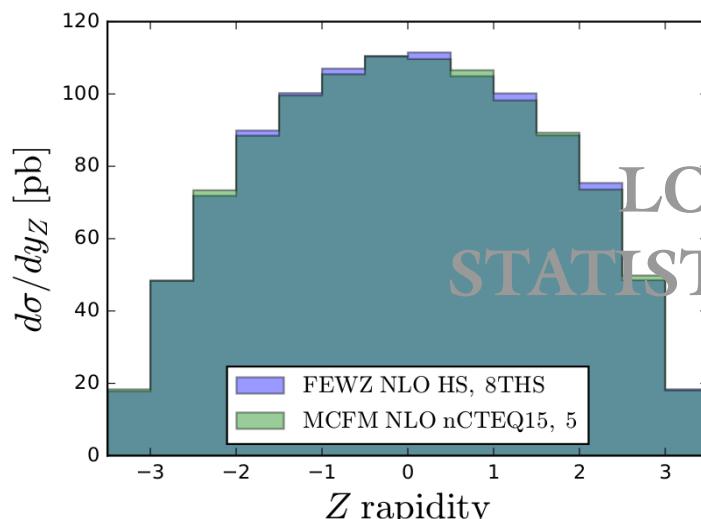
Compare FEWZ-pp to MCFM-pp



ATLAS W-



ATLAS Z





APPLgrid Technique

APPLGRID method

- Step 1 (long run): Collect perturbative weights to grids .
 - ▶ binning (x_1, x_2, Q^2)
 - ▶ interpolation
 - ▶ initial flavours decomposition : $13 \times 13 \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$ ($\mathcal{L} \sim 10$)

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$$\frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{(p)}^{ij}}{dX}(x_1, x_2, Q_F^2, Q_R^2; S) \xrightarrow{3D-grid} w^{(p)(l)}(x_1^m, x_2^n, Q^{2k}) (Q_R^2 \equiv Q_F^2)$$

- Step 2 ($\sim 10\text{--}100$ ms): Convolute grid with PDF's .
 - ▶ integral \rightarrow sum
 - ▶ any coupling, PDF

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dX} = \sum_p \sum_{l=0}^L \sum_{m,n,k} w_{m,n,k}^{(p)(l)} \left(\frac{\alpha_s(Q_k^2)}{2\pi} \right)^{p_l} F^{(l)}(x_{1m}, x_{2n}, Q_k^2)$$

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