Advances in Global QCD Analysis and Impact on LHC Phenomenology

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Advances in 3 fronts---a briefing

- New PDFs (CTEQ6.5M,S,C) from better treatment of heavy quark mass effects (cf. joint HQ-SF session) → Improved predictions on parton luminosities and SM/BSM phenomenology at the Tevatron & LHC;
- Emerging self-consistent global QCD analysis procedure for determining PDFs and their uncertainties;
- Combined p_T resummation and PDF global QCD analysis for precision W/Z, Top, and Higgs physics at the Tevatron & LHC.
 - Collaborators: Lai, Nadolsky, Huston, Pumplin, Stump, Yuan (Argonne, Michigan State & U Washington)

Impact of new CTEQ6.5 (M,S,C) PDFs on Collider Phenomenology



Impact of CTEQ6.5M,S,C PDF's on σ_{tot} 's at LHC $\sigma \pm \delta \sigma_{\mathsf{PDF}}$ in units of σ (CTEQ65M) LHC, NLO, PRELIMINARY $\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{NNLO}}$ ₩ŧ **CTEQ6.5** W^{-} CTEQ6.1 \star Z⁰ IC-Sea $gg \rightarrow H^0(120)$ $W^{+}H(120)$ $W^{-}H(120)$ $sc \rightarrow H^+(200) \rightarrow bt$ 0.85 0.9 1.15 1.2 0.95 1.05 1.1 1.25 1



Self-consistent Global QCD Analysis

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- Conventional Global Analyses (Duke-Owens, EHLQ, ... MRST, CTEQ) have made a lot of progress, and have proven to be indispensable for hadron phenomenology in general.
- Methods to estimate uncertainties of PDFs (~2000) have made the approach more quantitative, and greatly enhanced its usefulness.
- However ...

this approach is also generally regarded as being *lack of statistical basis, subjective, even arbitrary*.

- all true!** (hence the constant search for alterative methods.)
- Can this approach be made *more objective* and better defined?
 - Yes-by a self-consistent (iterative) procedure that has evolved from our ongoing work.

** This aspect of the global analysis has been variously characterized as either "art", or "tyranny of the global fitters", and anything in-between.

The iterative procedure: self-consistent case



Remarks

- This is a self-consistent procedure, since the proper weights and the tolerance for uncertainties in parton parameter space are not chosen a priori, but they are generated iteratively;
- The main goodness-of-fit criterion (e.g. 90% CL), although not unique, is used consistently throughout.
- This procedure is still *not statistically rigorous*, neither is it "*rocket science*". However,
 - It is a great deal more objective than before;
 - Because the procedure is *self-consistent* (*iterative*), the PDFs and their uncertainties obtained with it is much more *stable* and *robust* than before.

Failure of self-consistency test:

The iterative process is not guaranteed to yield selfconsistent results always! Consider ...



Combined pt resummation ...

- Transverse momentum distribution plays an important role in precision DY, W/Z, top, and Higgs phenomenology at hadron colliders, both in SM and BSM.
- In PQCD, p_T resummation is required to describe the transverse momentum distribution in the most important physical region $L_{QCD} < p_T < M_W/Z/t/H.$



•The resummation calculation depends on a small number of non-perturbative (Sudakov) parameters that must be determined by fitting DY and W/Z production data.

Combined p_T resummation and PDF global QCD analysis

- So far, the studies of p_T and PDF degrees of freedom are entirely segregated, although physically they are not.
- To achieve high accuracy in precision W/Z, top, and Higgs physics, an integrated approach is imperative; e.g.
 - the reliable estimate of the "PDF uncertainty" in precision M_W measurement.
 - Higgs discovery, with appropriate p_t-cut to enhance signal/background ratio.

Combined p_T resummation and PDF global QCD analysis

- Difficulty in combining p₇ resummation calculation and PDF global QCD analysis: deadly combination of
 - p_T resummation calculation is complicated (multiple convolution integral), hence computationally costly;
 - global QCD analysis typically requires thousands of iterations to optimize PDF, and Sudakov, parameters.
- This (seemingly insurmountable) difficulty has recently been overcome by Hung-liang Lai and Pavel Nadolsky:
 - Combined global analysis involving Sudakov and PDF parameters simultaneously can now be done;
 - An active program of systematic investigation of precision DY, W/Z, top, and Higgs phenomenology has begun (perhaps with first physics results by DISO7). (Lai, Nadolsky, Yuan, wkt, ...)



- By iteratively improving the fit to the combined data sets, the p_t data will help constrain PDF degrees of freedom not probed before in traditional global analyses.
- The new degrees of freedom so constrained could have important implications for precision measurements, such as M_W and Higgs production.

Effective Gaussian Smearing Sudakov Exponent from Resummed fits to transverse momentum distribution data



Outlook

- Frontiers for Global QCD Analysis are continuously been expanded in new directions;
- Evolutionary, but significant, advances have been made in analysis methodology; while many revolutionary new methods are being proposed and tried;
- These developments go very well with the demand of ever higher reliability and accuracy of PDFs for the Tevatron RunII and the LHC physics programs.

•There are a lot to look forward to!

Parton Luminosities at the LHC

