

Workshop on parton fragmentation processes  
in the vacuum and in the medium

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# The DSS Global QCD Analysis of Fragmentation Functions

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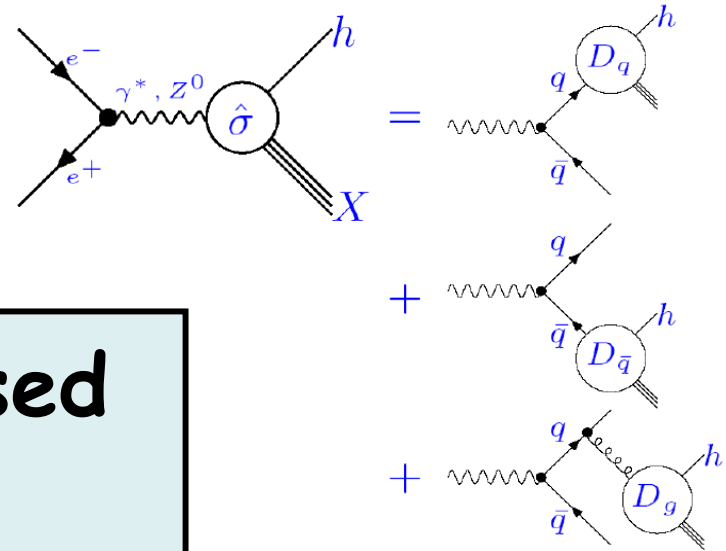
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## references

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- *Global analysis of fragmentation functions for protons and charged hadrons*, **Phys. Rev. D76 (2007) 074033** (arXiv:0707.1506 [hep-ph])

Fortran codes of the DSS fragmentation fcts are available upon request



■ questions to be addressed in this talk:

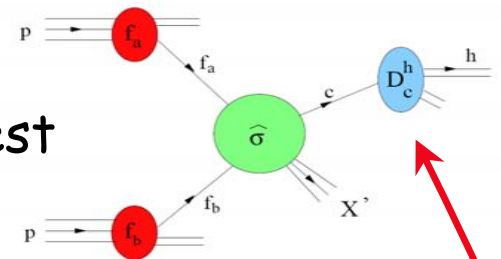
- Is it possible to arrive at a *unified* description of  $e^+e^-$ , ep, and pp inclusive hadron data in terms of a *universal set of fragmentation functions*?
- If so, what are the typical *uncertainties*?

precise knowledge of fragmentation functions  
crucial for interpretation & understanding  
of RHIC & LHC results and QCD in general

unpolarized pp cross sections are an important baseline for

- studies of saturation effects in dAu and AuAu collisions
- understanding of spin asymmetries & extraction of, e.g.,  $\Delta g$

incl. hadron data put fundamental ideas to the test

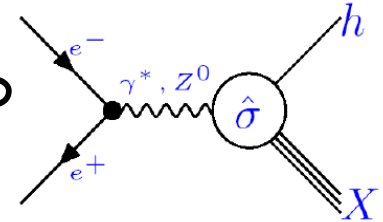


- fragmentation as fundamental as nucleon structure
- factorization and universality of fragmentation functions

# most analyses so far

Bourhis et al., Kretzer;  
Kniesl et al.; Hirai et al.

- based on  $e^+e^-$  annihilation data mainly from LEP
- considerable progress but also shortcomings



- singlet FF  $D_\Sigma$  at  $M_Z$  constrained but individual flavors differ wildly at scales relevant for ep, pp data

- gluon fragmentation largely unknown but crucial for pp

- cannot distinguish  $D_q^h$  and  $D_{\bar{q}}^h$   
 $D_{q+\bar{q}}^{h^+} = D_{q+\bar{q}}^{h^-}$ ,  $D_q^{h^+} + D_q^{h^-} = D_{\bar{q}}^{h^+} + D_{\bar{q}}^{h^-}$

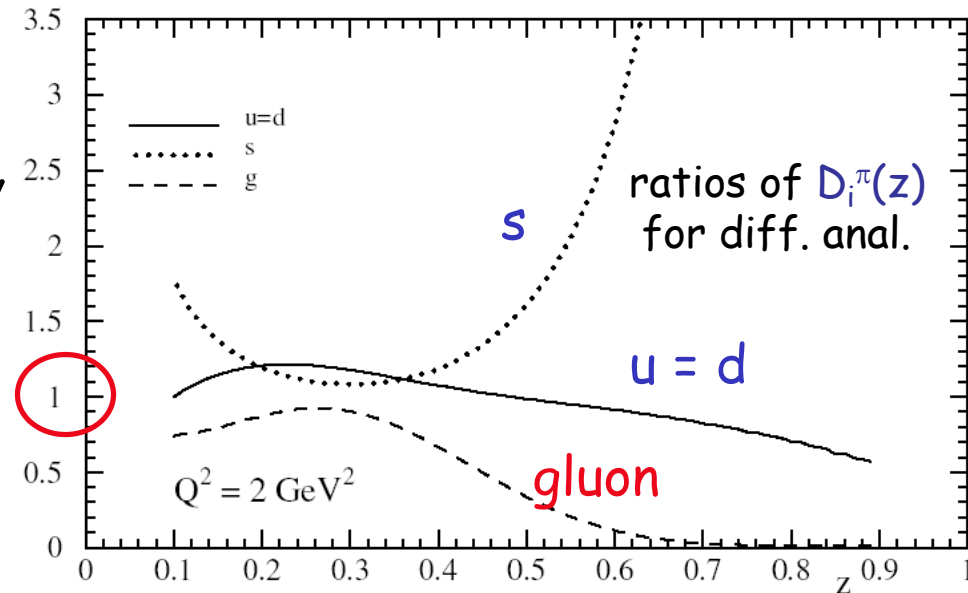


fig. by S. Kretzer

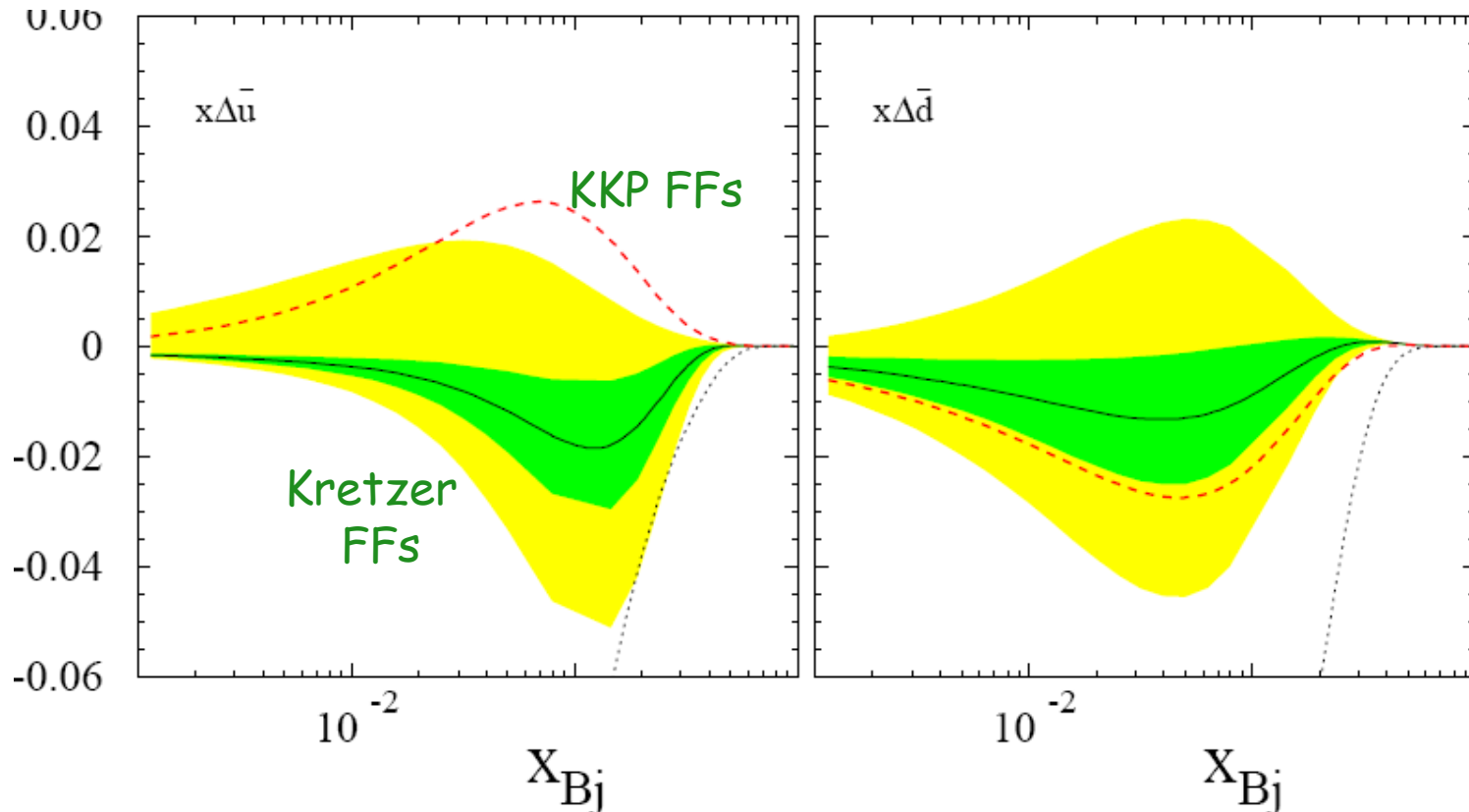
→ extracted FFs cannot be used for many ep and pp processes without ad-hoc assumptions; limits predictive power mainly to  $e^+e^-$

## actual example:

lack of flavor separation has profound impact on the extraction of pol. sea pdfs from SIDIS data

$$\frac{d\Delta\sigma^h}{dx dQ^2 dz^h} \propto \sum_{f=q,\bar{q}} e_f^2 \Delta f(x, \mu_f) D_f^h(z^h, \mu'_f) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$$

de Florian, Navarro, Sassot



upshot:

we can only hope for further progress on  
fragmentation functions by performing  
a **global QCD analysis** like CTEQ does for pdfs

it roughly goes like this ...





# ■ theory toolbox for DSS global analysis



## content:

- factorization & properties of  $D_i^h(z)$
- status of relevant pQCD calculations
- Mellin technique
- determination of uncertainties



## some properties of $D_i^h(z, \mu)$

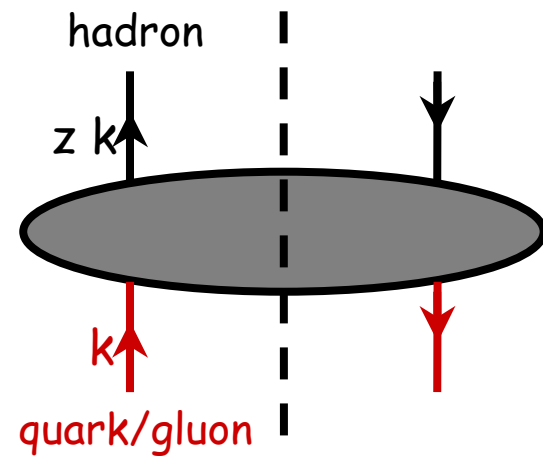
- **non-perturbative universal** objects  
scale  $\mu$ -dep. predicted by pQCD
- needed to consistently absorb final-state collinear singularities like, e.g., in  $pp \rightarrow \pi^0 X$  ("**factorization**")
- describe the *collinear* transition of a parton "i" into a massless hadron "h" carrying fractional momentum  $z$
- bi-local operator:  $D(z) \simeq \int dy^- e^{iP^+/zy^-} \text{Tr} \gamma^+ \langle 0 | \psi(y^-) | hX \rangle \langle hX | \bar{\psi}(0) | 0 \rangle$

Collins, Soper '81, '83

no inclusive final-state

→ no local OPE → **no lattice formulation**

also: power corrections are much less developed and entwined with mass effects unlike pdfs



- “leading particle” picture incompatible with def. of  $D_i^h(z)$

can compute *incl. distributions* of hadrons with momentum fractions  $z$   
but *not* a cross section for a “leading hadron”

(under certain kin. conditions it might be a good approximation though)

- “energy-momentum conservation”:  $\sum_h \int_0^1 z D_i^h(z, \mu) = 1$   
(a parton fragments with 100% probability into *something* preserving its momentum)

of very limited practical use in fits because

- “mass effects” completely spoil framework for  $D_i^h(z)$   
no systematic way to include entwined mass/higher twist effects
- timelike  $\mu$ -evolution very singular as  $z \rightarrow 0$ , e.g.  $P_{gg} \rightarrow \frac{2C_A}{z} - \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{4C_A^2}{z} \ln^2 z$



limits use of  $D_i^h(z)$  to  $z \gtrsim 0.05 \div 0.1$



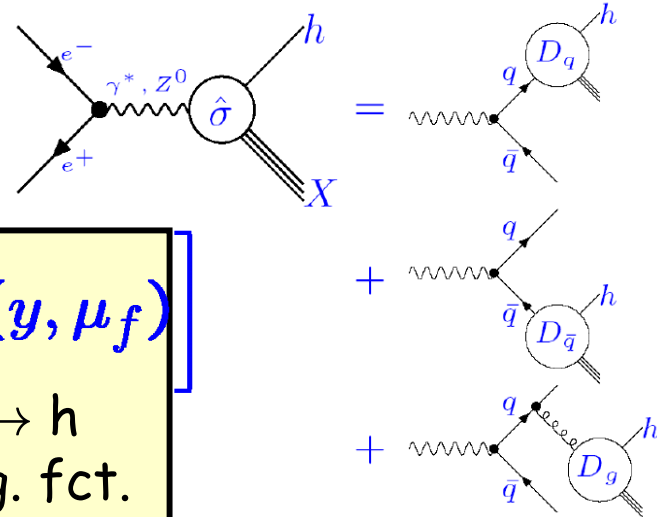
these properties are more or less at variance  
with hadronization models in PYTHIA et al.

(color connected "strings", "soft physics", non-collinear)

pQCD framework based on factorization only  
applicable to certain class of processes  
characterized by a "hard scale"

# single-inclusive $e^+e^-$ annihilation (SIA)

relevant: "normalized distribution"  $\frac{1}{\sigma_{tot}} \frac{d\sigma^h}{dz}$



$$= \frac{1}{\sigma_{tot}} \sum_{i=q,\bar{q},g} \left[ \int_z^1 \frac{dy}{y} C_i\left(\frac{z}{y}, Q, \mu_r, \mu_f\right) D_i^h(y, \mu_f) \right]$$

total hadronic cross section

$$\sum_q \left[ \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{s} \hat{e}_q^2 \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} + \dots\right) \right] \equiv \sigma_0$$

LO:  $C_q = \delta(1-y) \sigma_0$ ;  $C_g = 0$

$O(\alpha_s)$  NLO: Altarelli, Ellis, Martinelli, Pi '79;  
Furmanski, Petronzio '82

$O(\alpha_s^2)$  NNLO: Rijken, van Neerven '96,'97; Mitov, Moch '06

"scaling" variable  $z \equiv \frac{2P^h \cdot q}{Q^2} = \frac{2E^h}{Q}$

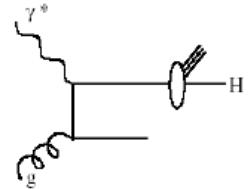
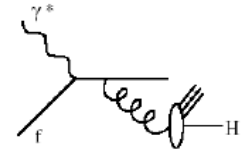
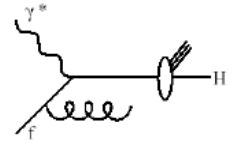
where  $s = q^2 = Q^2$   
 $P_{e\pm} = (Q/2, 0, 0, \pm Q/2)$   
 $q = P_{e+} + P_{e-}$

# semi-inclusive DIS (SIDIS)

SIDIS = DIS plus one identified hadron with  $x_F > 0$

$$\frac{d\sigma^h}{dx dQ^2 dz^h} \approx \sum_{f=q,\bar{q}} e_f^2 f(x, \mu_f) D_f^h(z^h, \mu'_f) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$$

"scaling" variable  $z^h \equiv \frac{P^h \cdot P^N}{P^N \cdot q}$



Altarelli et al. '79;  
Furmanski, Petronzio '82;  
de Florian, MS, Vogelsang '98

why important?

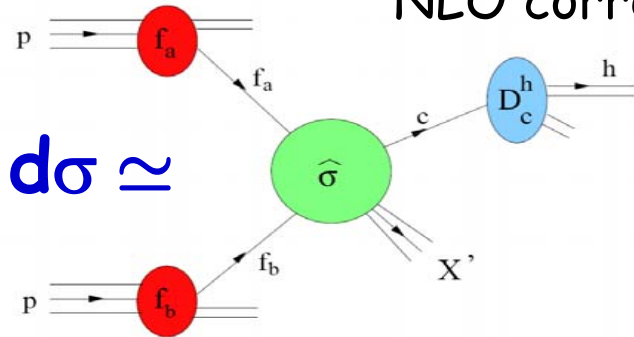
- charge separated data:  $\pi^+, \pi^-, K^+, K^-$  HERMES;  $h^+, h^-$  EMC  
→ valuable handle on **flavor separation**

LO analysis:  $D_d^{\pi^+} \simeq (1 - z) D_u^{\pi^+}$  Christova, Kretzer, Leader

# $pp \rightarrow hX$

Aversa et al.; Jäger, Schäfer, MS,  
Vogelsang; de Florian

well-know framework: factorization,  
NLO corrections



$$d\sigma \simeq$$

long-distance

from exp.:  $\mu$ -dep.:  $d\sigma/d\mu = 0$  (pQCD)

$$\frac{d\Delta\sigma^{\vec{p}\vec{p} \rightarrow \pi X}}{dp_T d\eta} = \sum_{abc} \int dx_a dx_b dz_c \Delta f_a(x_a, \mu_f) \Delta f_b(x_b, \mu_f) D_c^\pi(z_c, \mu_f') \times \frac{d\Delta\hat{\sigma}^{ab \rightarrow cX'}}{dp_T d\eta}(x_a P_a, x_b P_b, P^\pi/z_c, \mu_f, \mu_f', \mu_r) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\lambda}{p_T}\right)^n$$

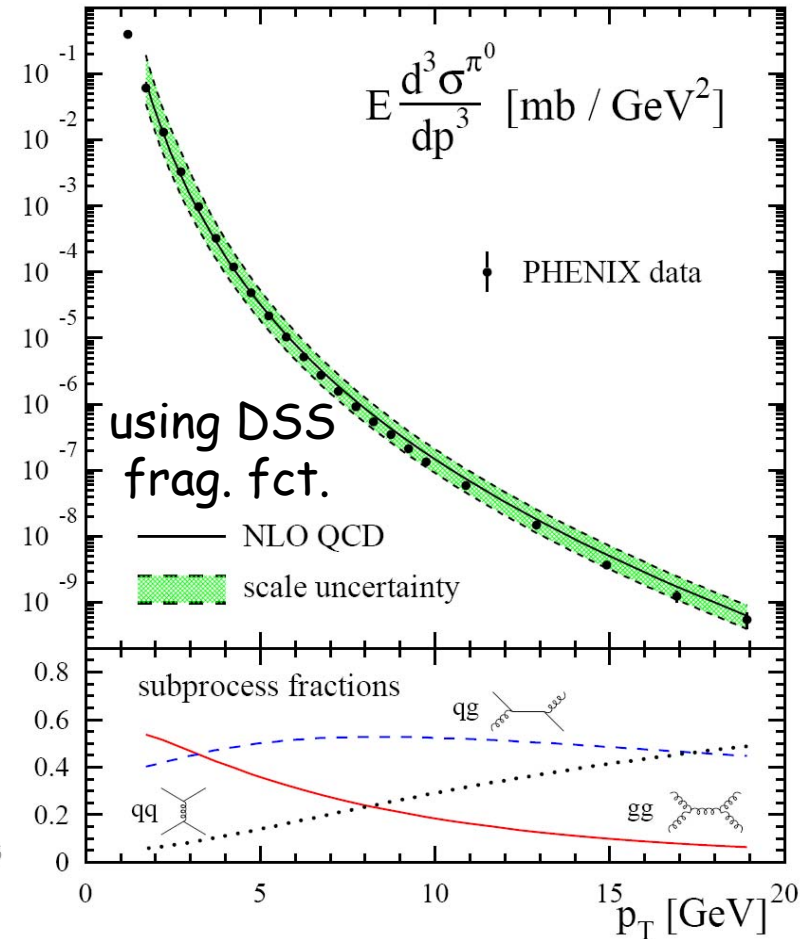
short-distance

calculable in pQCD: power series in  $\alpha_s$

power corrections

neglected

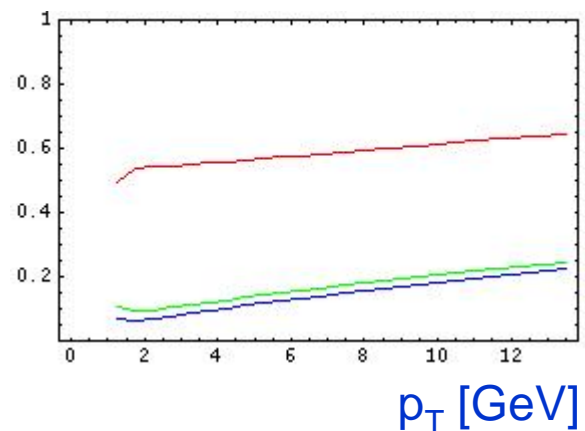
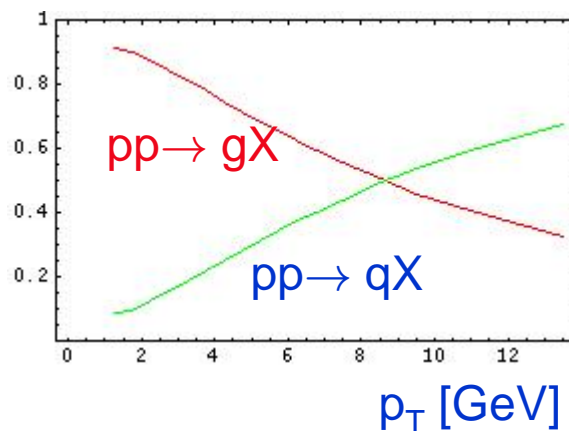
e.g., very nice data from RHIC



plus STAR and BRAHMS

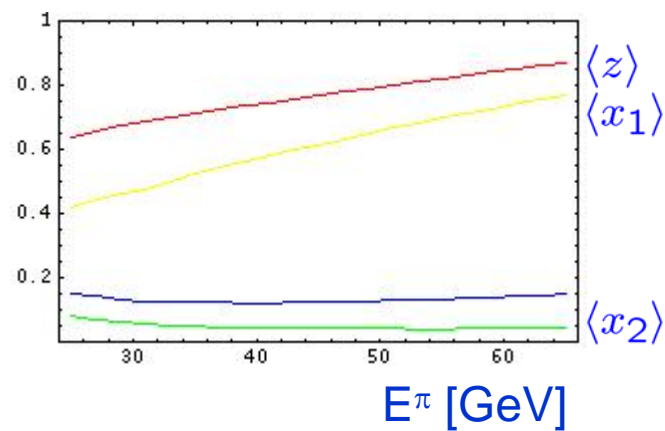
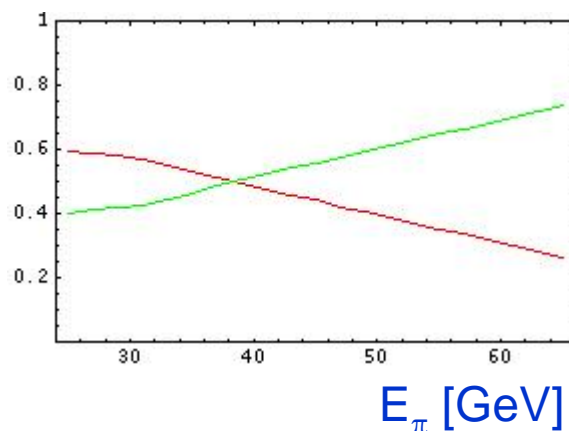
# why important?

central rapidity  
(PHENIX data)



→ low  $p_T$  data probe **gluon fragmentation**

forward rapidity  
(STAR data)



→ probe **gluon and quark fragmentation at large  $z$**

**BRAHMS**  $\pi^\pm$ ,  $K^\pm$  data ( $\eta \simeq 3$ ) → **flavor separation from pp data**

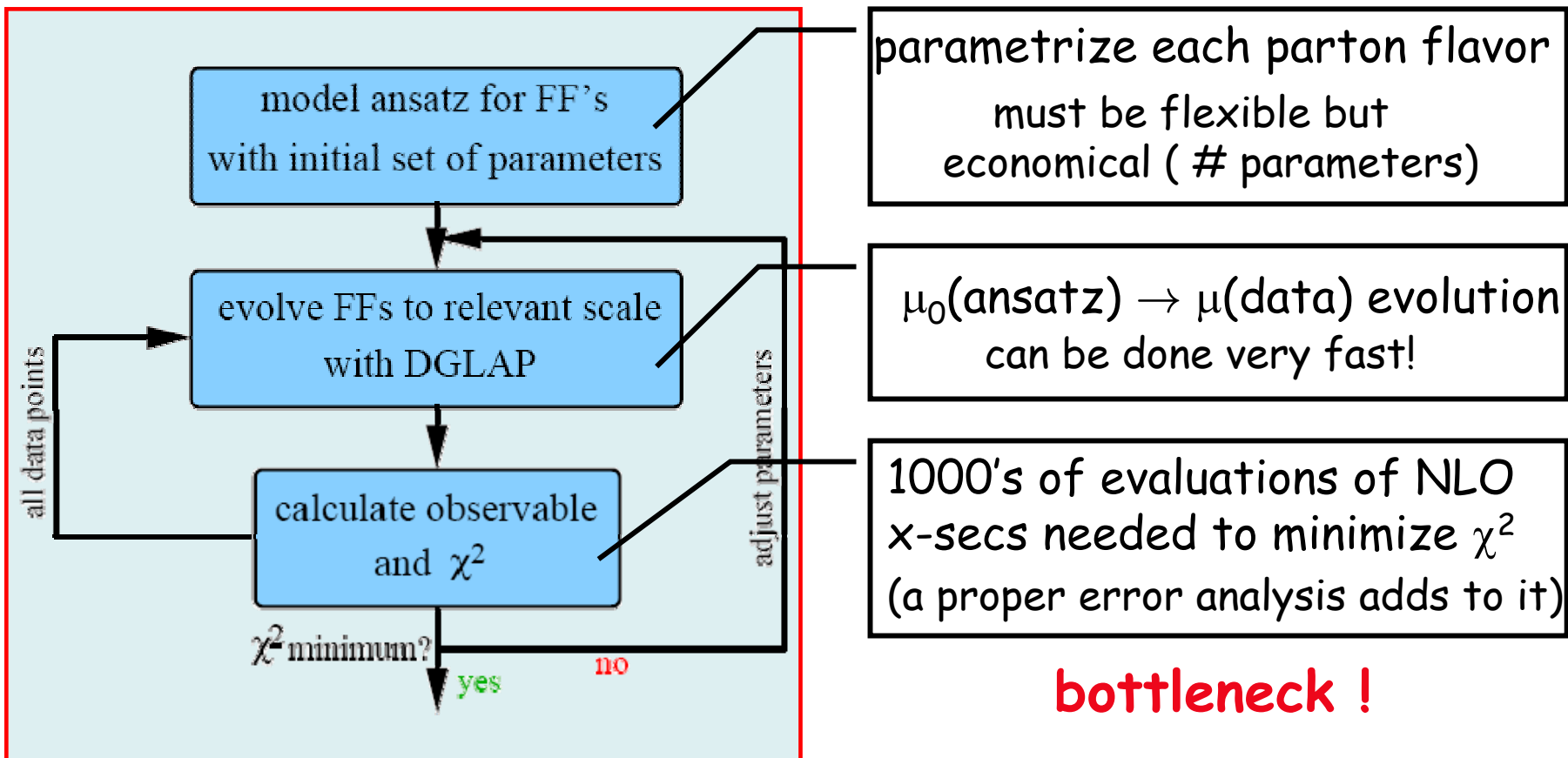


advantage

disadvantage

SIA	SIDIS	pp
<p>very precise data</p> <p>clean process</p> <p>sensitivity to heavy flavor contr.</p>	<p>allows flavor/charge separation</p> <p>scale <math>Q \ll M_Z</math> → evolution effects</p>	<p>very sensitive to <math>D_g</math></p> <p>probes large <math>z</math></p> <p>charge sep. data</p> <p>different scales <math>p_T</math></p>
<p>prec. data only at <math>M_Z</math> → no handle on <math>D_g</math></p> <p>mainly determines <math>D_\Sigma</math></p> <p>no flavor/charge sep.</p> <p>not precise at large <math>z</math></p>	<p>depends on pdfs should be well constrained</p> <p>rather low scales → non-pert. corr. ?</p> <p><math>D_{c,b}</math> play no role</p>	<p>depends on pdfs should be well constrained</p> <p>fixed target data excluded resummations large</p> <p>large scale uncert.</p> <p><math>D_{c,b}</math> play no role</p>

# outline of a global analysis:



## what's the problem:

- DIS and SIDIS data can be analyzed at no extra cost (as fast as evolution)
- other NLO expressions are numerically very time consuming

**computing time for a global analysis at NLO becomes excessive**

# 19<sup>th</sup> century math comes to help ...



**idea:** re-organize multi-convolutions by taking **Mellin moments** MS, Vogelsang

earlier ideas: Berger, Graudenz, Hampel, Vogt; Kosower

**crucial property:** convolutions factorize into simple products

**example:**  $pp \rightarrow \pi X$

$$d\sigma = \sum_{abc} \int f_a f_b d\hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow cX} D_c dx_a dx_b dz_c$$

express frag. fct. by their  
Mellin inverse

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_n} dn z_c^{-n} D_c^n$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi i)} \sum_{abc}$$

$\int_{C_n} dn$ standard Mellin inv.	$D_c^n$ fit	$\iiint z_c^{-n} f_a f_b d\hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow cX} dx_a dx_b dz_c$ $\equiv d\tilde{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow cX}(n)$ <b>pre-calculated</b> on look-up table
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- features:**
- very fast and reliable; choice of contour  $C_n$  crucial
  - not limited to single-incl. observables; 2D-grids needed for pdf fits
  - fast grid prod. with VEGAS "events"; alternative to "fastNLO" method  
de Florian, Sassot, Vogelsang, MS

# estimating uncertainties:

pioneering work for pdfs  
by the CTEQ collaboration

many methods - in DSS we choose “Lagrange multipliers”

idea: see how fit deteriorates when forced to give a different  $O_i$

$$\underbrace{\Phi(\{\lambda_i\}, \{a_j\})}_{\text{fit parameters}} = \chi^2(\{a_j\}) + \sum_i \lambda_i \underbrace{O_i(\{a_j\})}_{\text{some observable}}$$

- directly examines  $\chi^2$  profile; no assumptions like in Hessian method
- role of each data set can be assessed
- easy to implement
- z-dependent errors on  $D_i^h(z)$  less straightforward

for the time being, we study

$$\underline{O_i(\{a_i\}) = n_i(\{a_i\}, z_{\min}) = \int_{z_{\min}}^1 dz z D_i^h(z, Q^2)}$$

“truncated energy fractions”

## ■ some details & results of the DSS global analysis

- setup
- comparison with data
- uncertainties

# setup

- flexible input form

$$D_i^h(z, 1 \text{ GeV}) = N_i z^{\alpha_i} (1 - z)^{\beta_i} [1 + \gamma_i (1 - z)^{\delta_i}]$$

naïve ZM-VFNS for  $i = c, b$  with  $Q_0 = m_{c,b}$

- take  $\alpha_s$  from MRST [impossible to fit with precise SIA data only at  $M_Z$ ]
- NLO (LO) sets for pions, kaons, protons, charged hadrons  
[determined as “residuals” of  $\pi+K+p$ ]
- try to avoid assumptions on  $\{a_j\}$  unless data cannot discriminate

SU(2), SU(3) breaking:  $D_{d+\bar{d}}^{\pi^+} = N D_{u+\bar{u}}^{\pi^+} \quad D_s^{\pi^+} = D_{\bar{s}}^{\pi^+} = N' D_u^{\pi^+}$

but we have to assume  $D_u^{\pi^+} = D_d^{\pi^+}$   
 $D_{\bar{u}}^{K^+} = D_s^{K^+} = D_d^{K^+} = D_{\bar{d}}^{K^+}$

# data selection

**included:** ALEPH, DELPHI, OPAL, SLD, TASSO, TPC SIA w/o "flavor tag"  
HERMES, EMC SIDIS  
BRAHMS, PHENIX, STAR, CDF, UA1, UA2 "pp"

**reluctantly included:** SIA "flavor tagged" data

only constraint on  $c, b \rightarrow$  light hadrons

many conceptual problems: no NLO interpretation;

leading hadron assumptions; ...

**excluded:** ep photoproduction data [uncert. from photon structure]  
UA1 data for kaons [inconsistent with STAR]

**like in pdf fits we allow for**

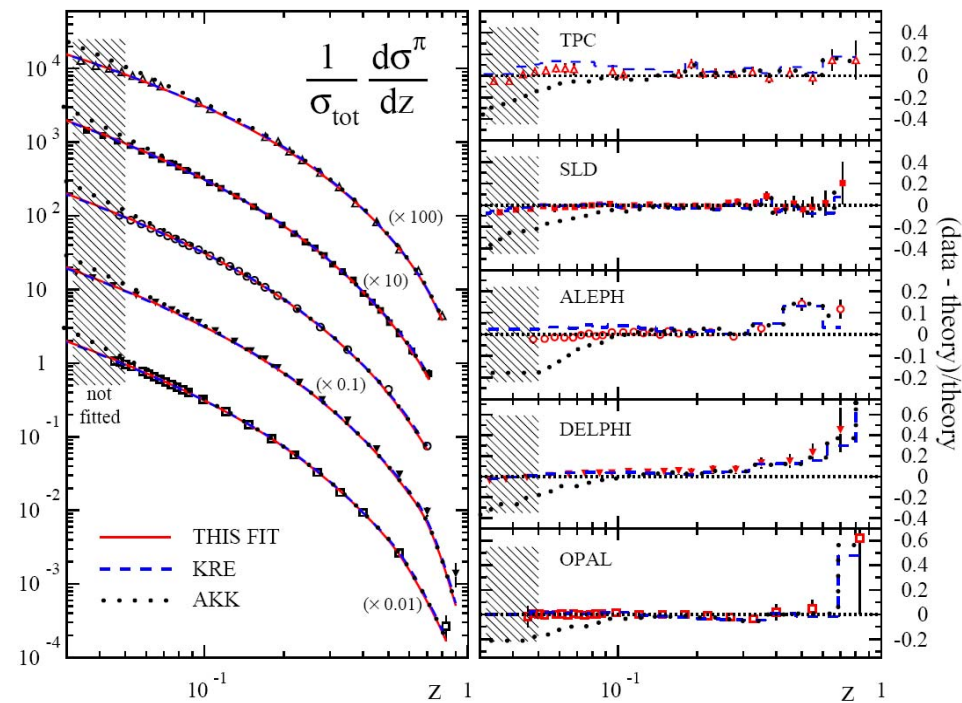
- cuts:  $z > 0.05$  pions,  $z > 0.1$  otherwise
- relative normalizations/shifts of data sets
- extra "TH errors": scale uncertainty (pp); flavor tag; bin size, ...



# some results

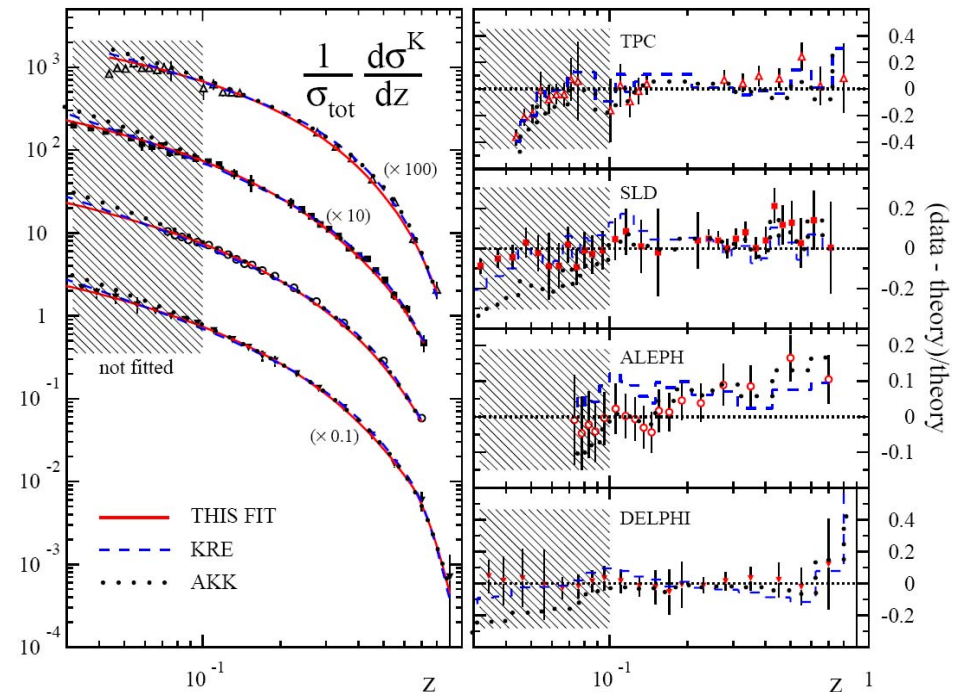
SIA data still work very well within a global fit

pions



kaons

similar for protons and  
and charged hadrons



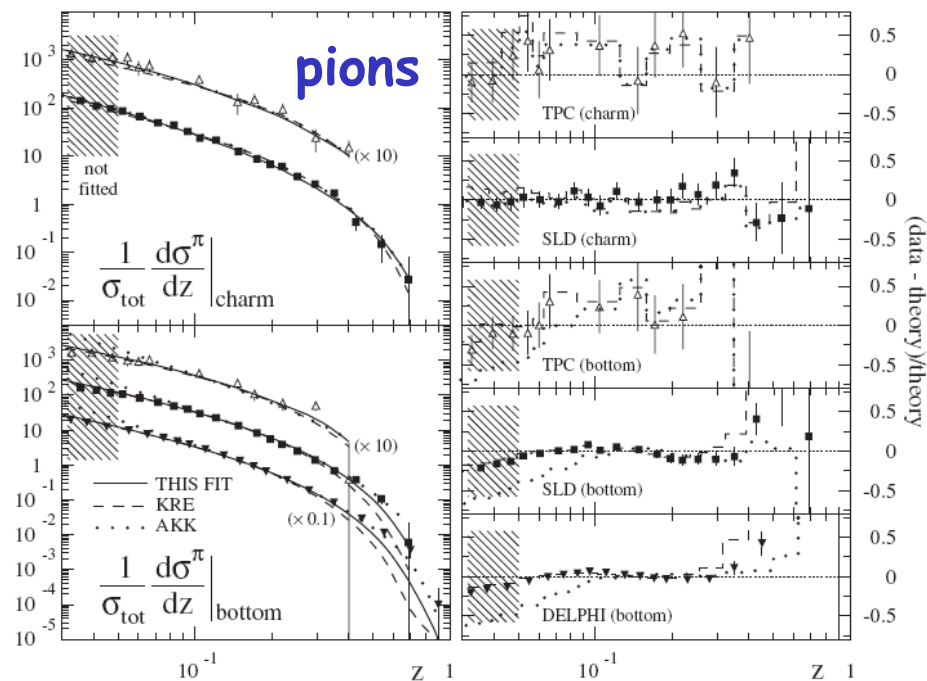
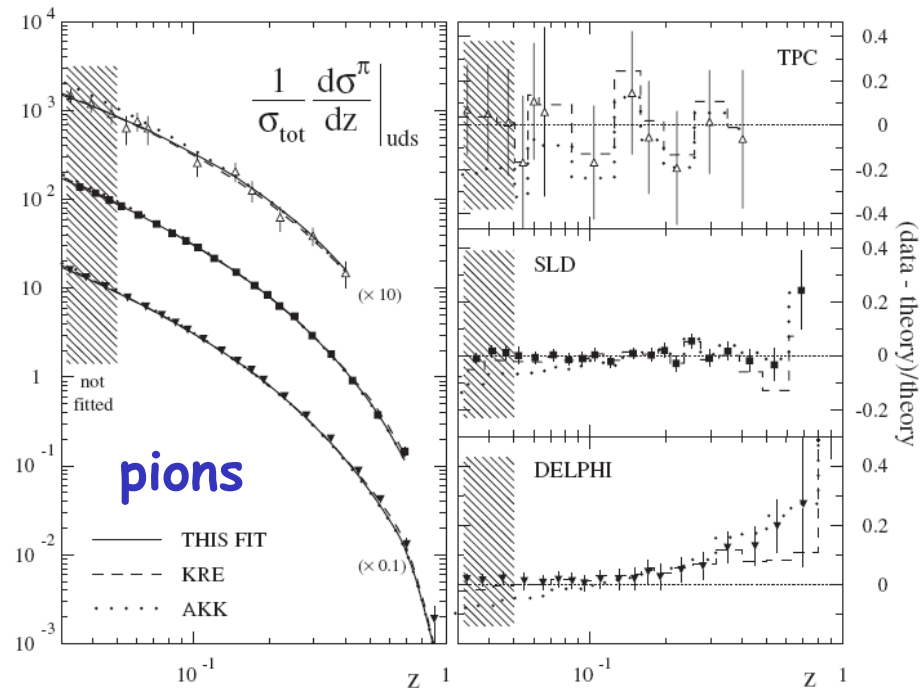
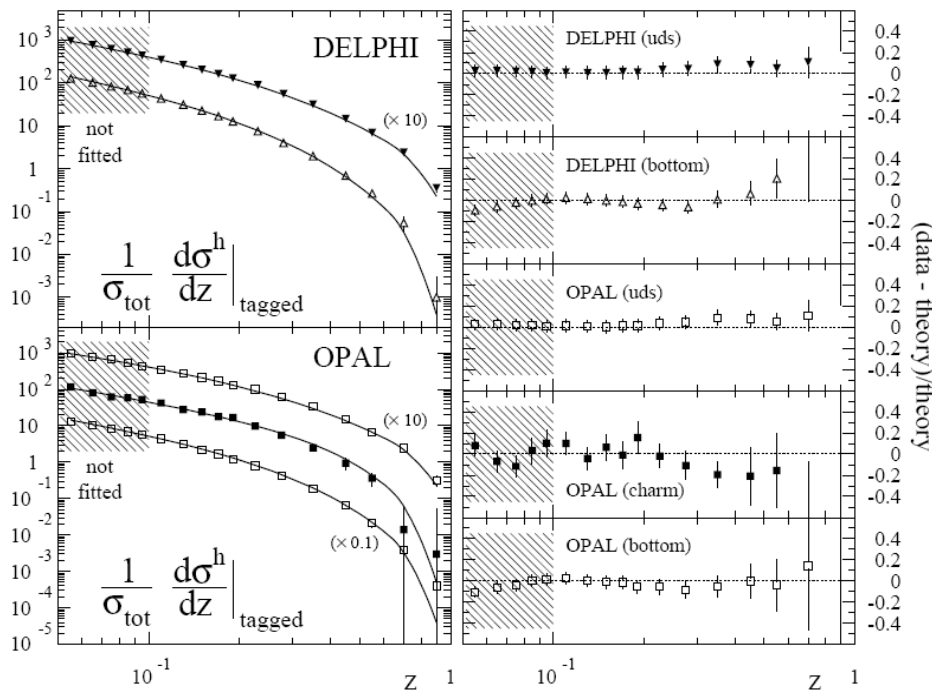
KRE: S. Kretzer

AKK: S. Albino et al.

AKK uses  $z > 0.1$

even for "uds", "c", "b"  
flavor tagged data

chg. hadrons



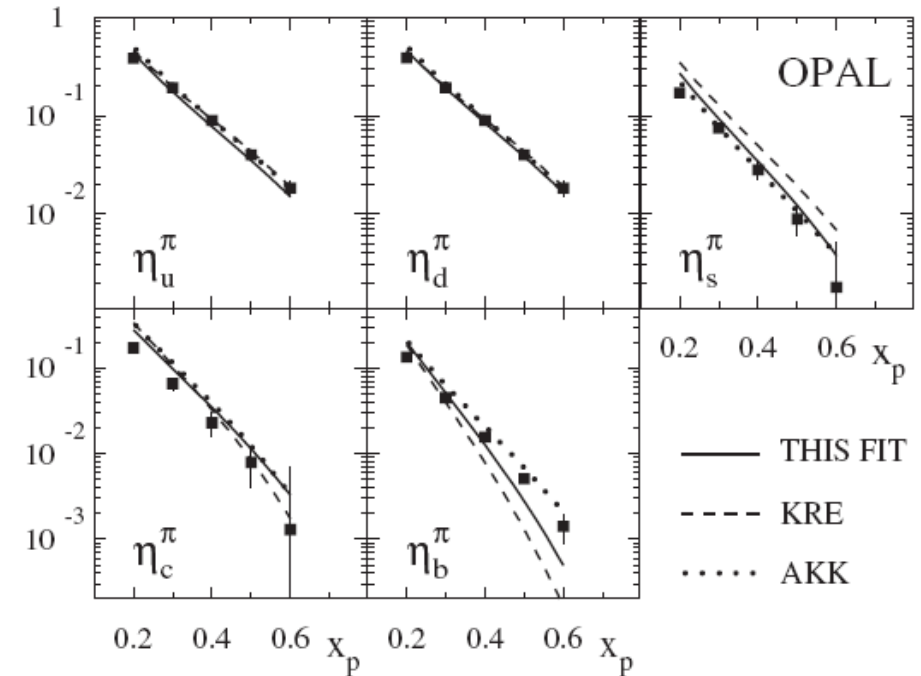
some tension with OPAL  
“tagging probabilities”

$\eta^1$   $\eta^2$   $\eta^3$

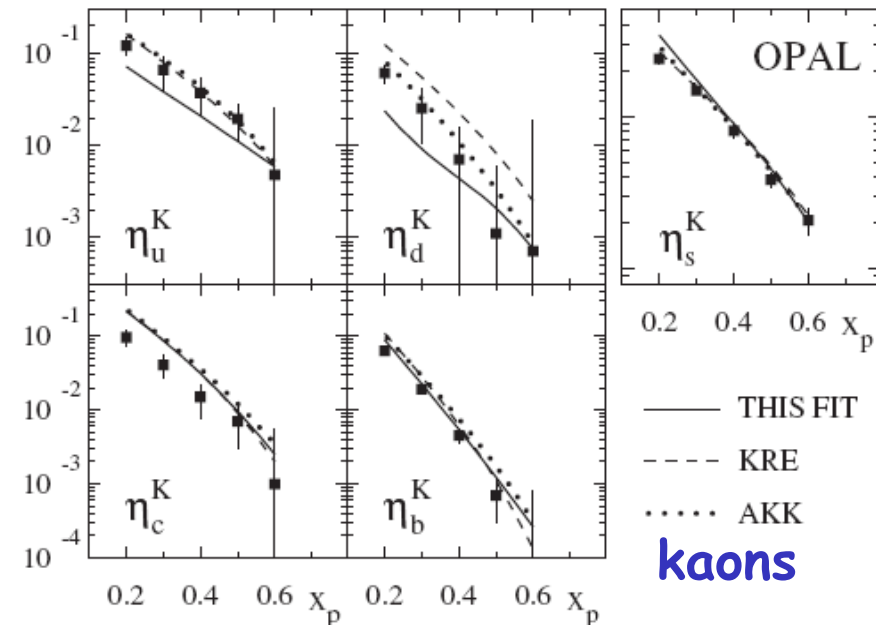
[recall: not really defined in NLO]

also tension with other data sets  
in particular for c,b

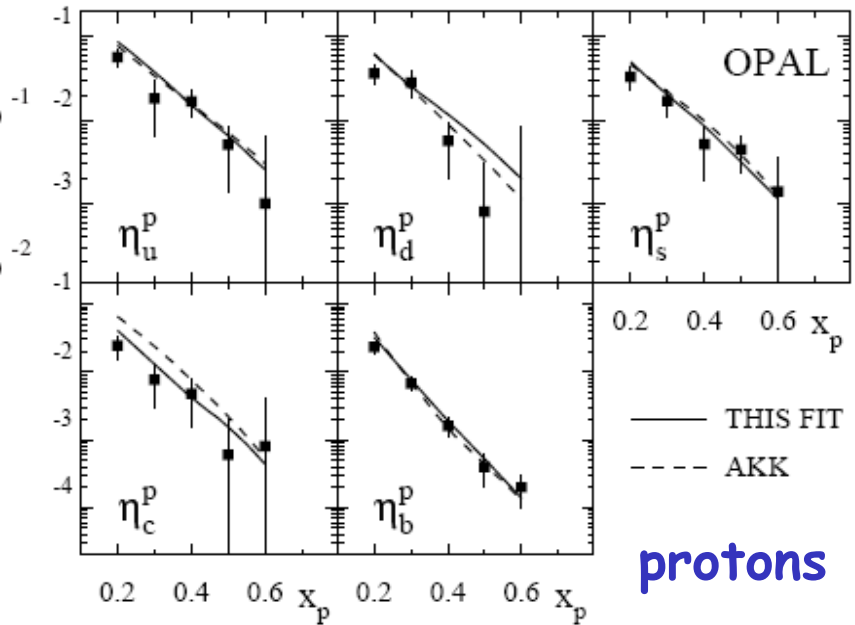
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kaons



protons



good description of  
SIDIS multiplicities

HERMES data (not final)  
A. Hillenbrand (thesis)

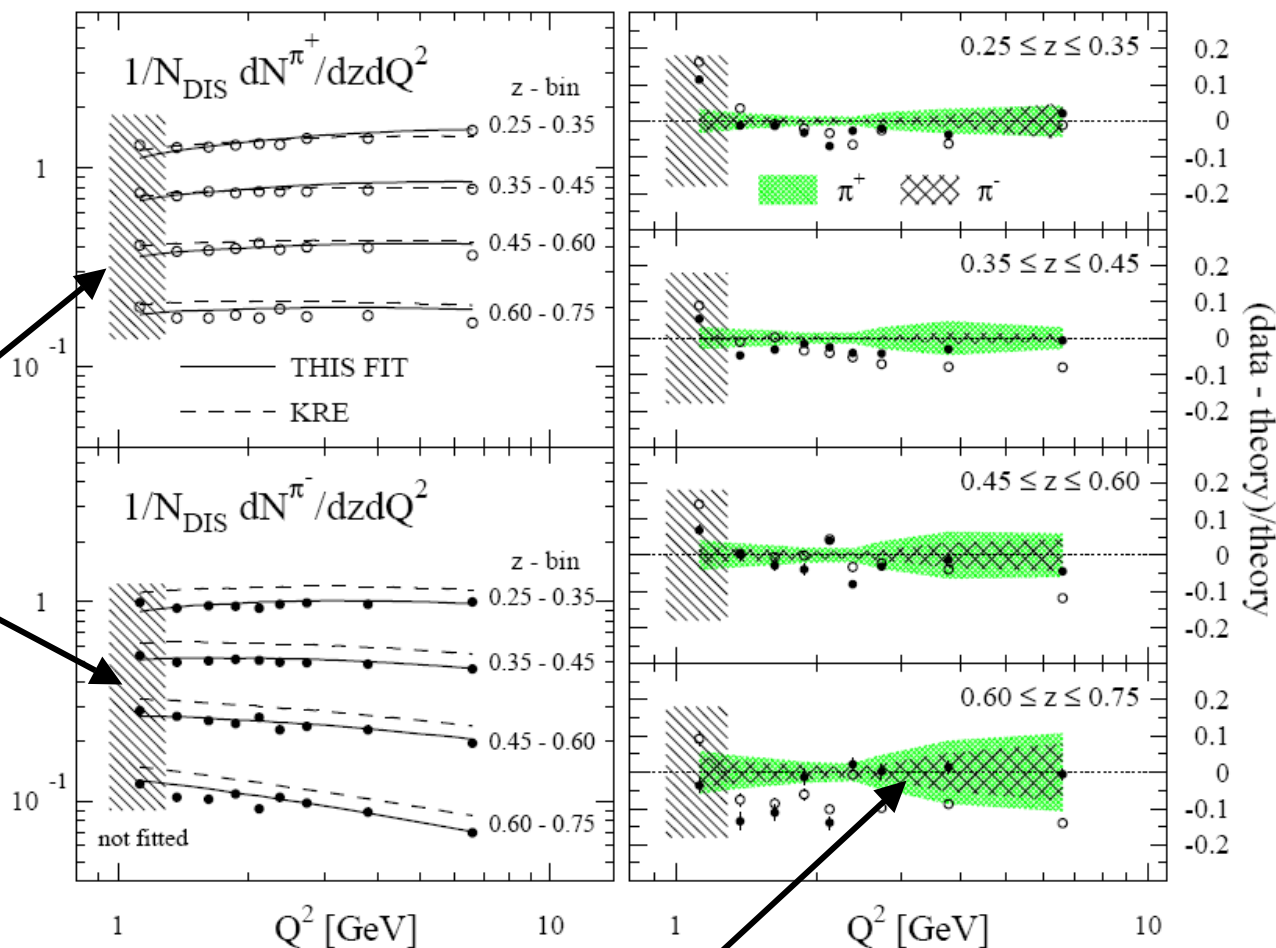
Kretzer's assumption

$$D_d^{\pi^+} \simeq (1 - z) D_u^{\pi^+}$$

works for  $\pi^+$   
but not for  $\pi^-$

$\pi^+$

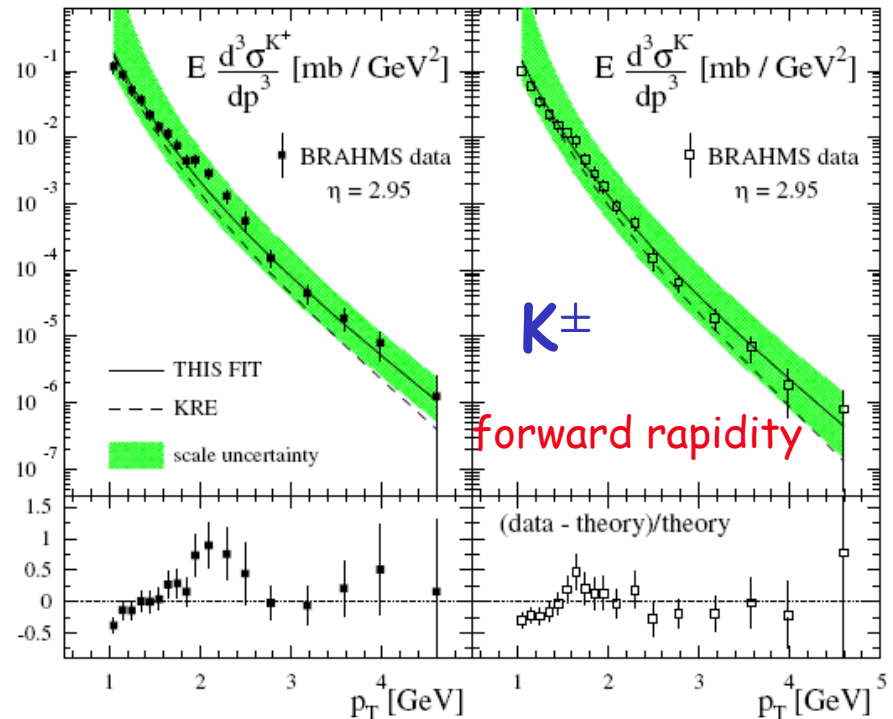
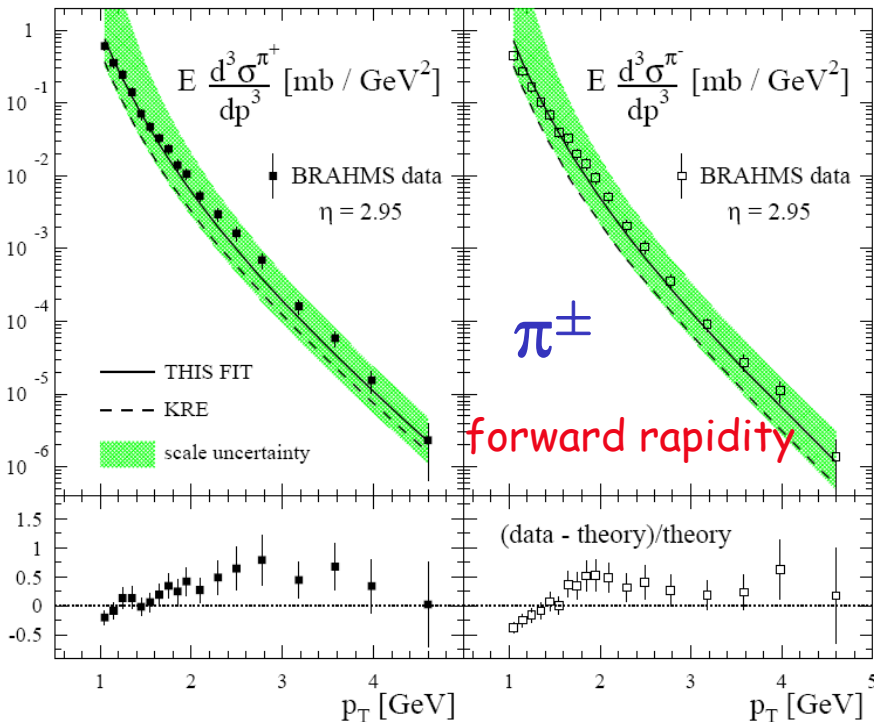
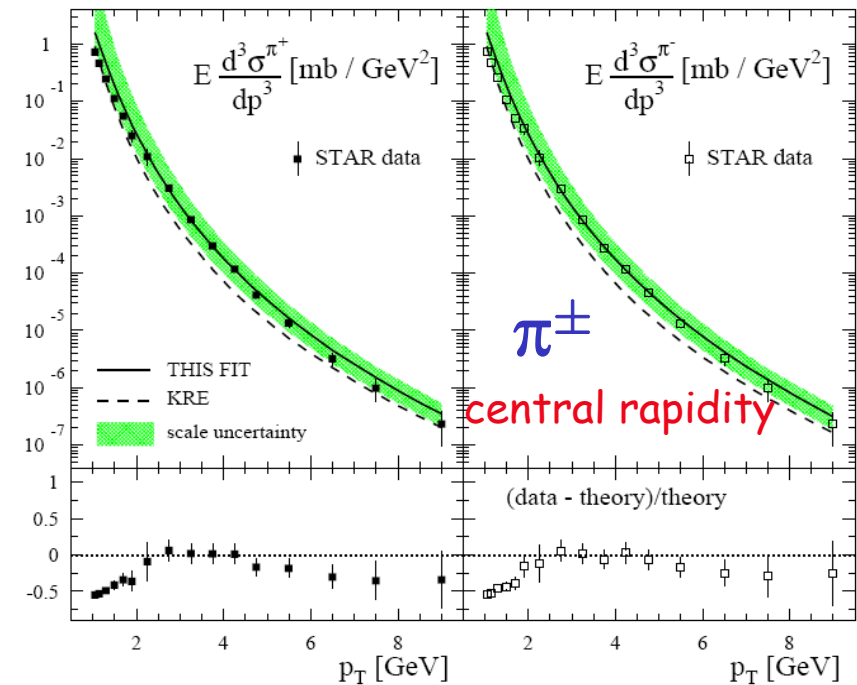
$\pi^-$



shaded bands:  
our estimate of  
"Q<sup>2</sup>-binning effects"

# “pp” data also well reproduced

- large scale uncertainties
- probe  $z$  values well below 0.1 but x-sec mainly samples  $z > 0.5$
- $p_{T,\min}$  cut has no impact on fit





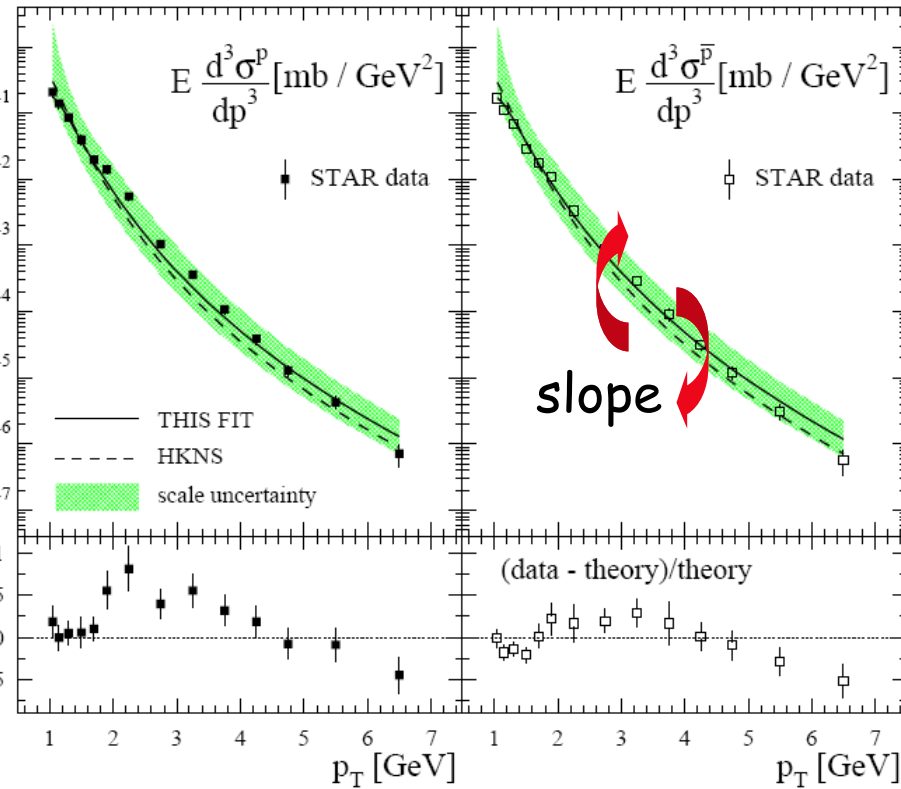
## (anti-)protons:

fit works too well (?) at  $p_T \simeq m_p$

need large  $p_T$  data to check slope

issue with BRAHMS data at  $y \simeq 3$   
find proton =  $10 \times$  antiproton yield

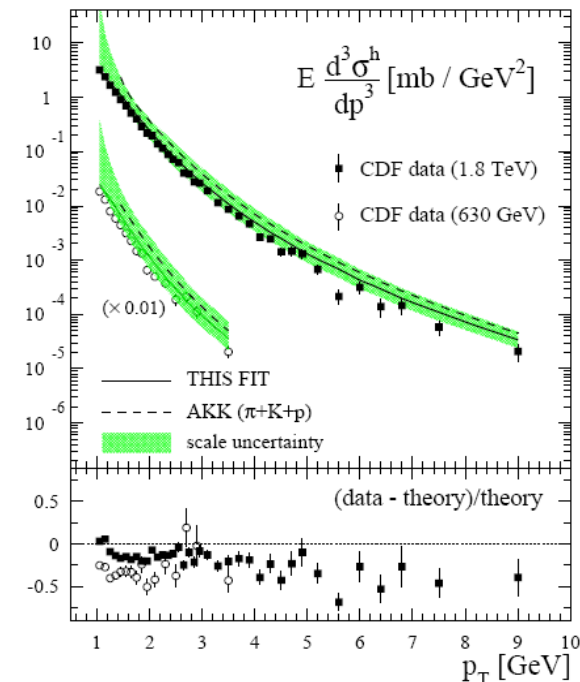
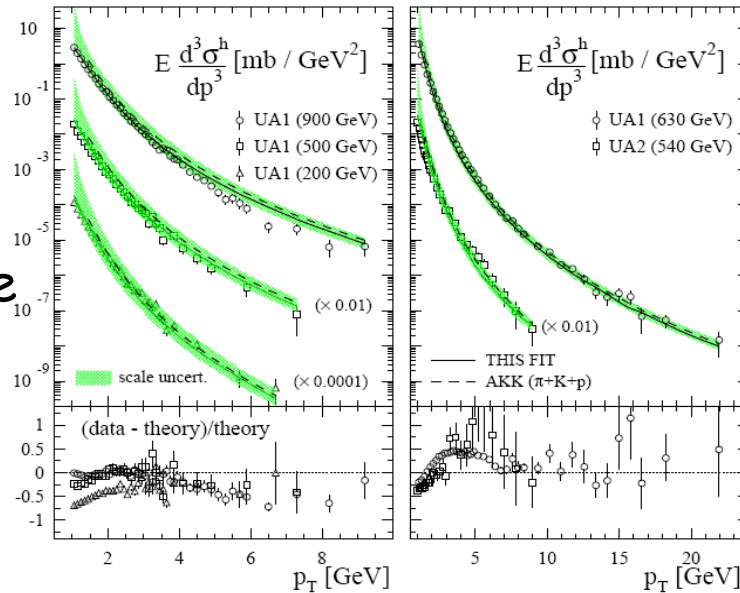
slope



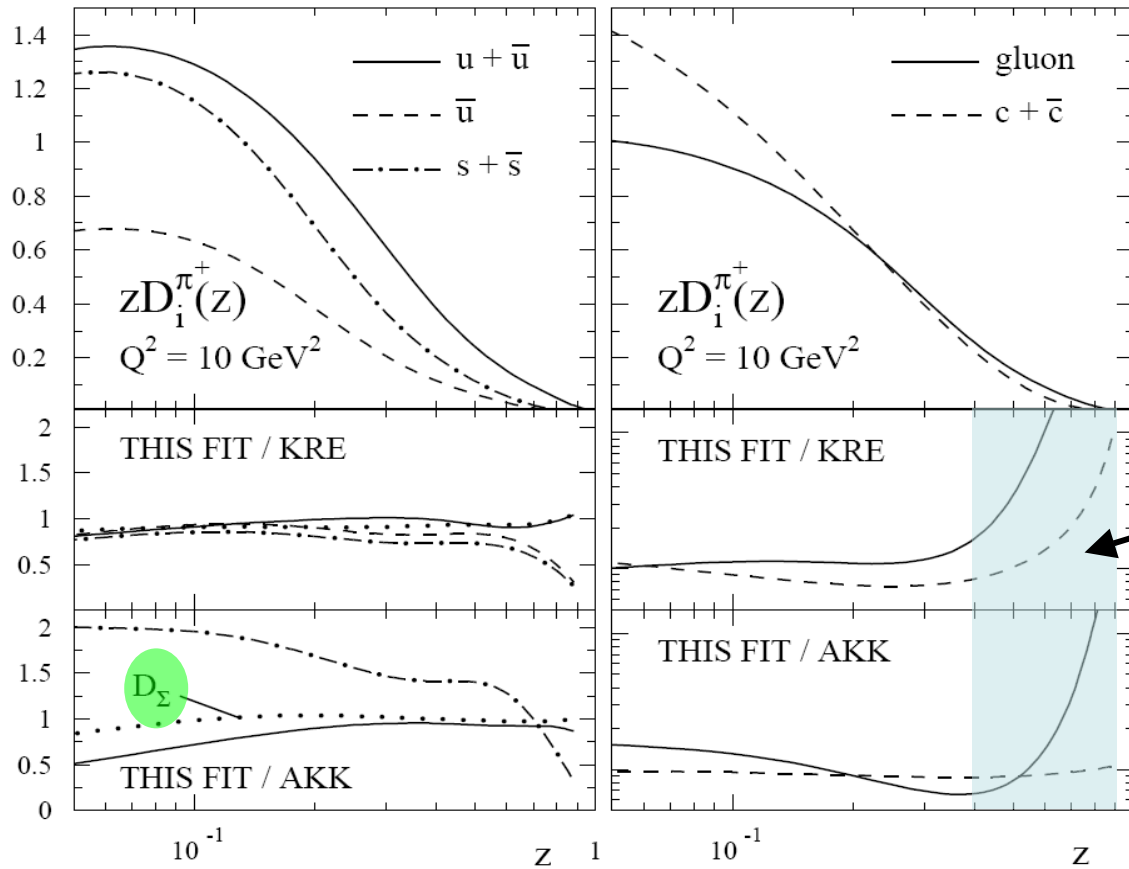
## charged hadrons:

mainly a prediction:

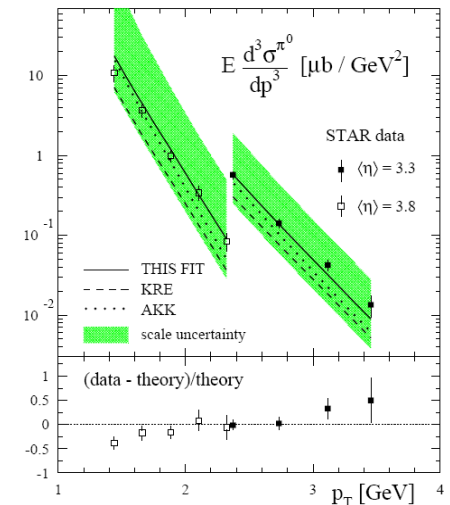
$\pi+K+p$  almost saturate  $D^h(z)$  with a small and positive  $D^{\text{res}}(z)$



# meet the $D_i(z)$ 's: pions



$$\langle z \rangle \gtrsim 0.6$$

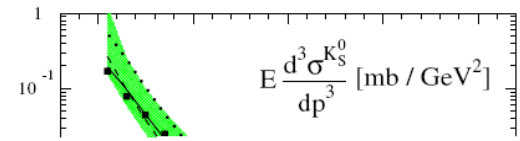
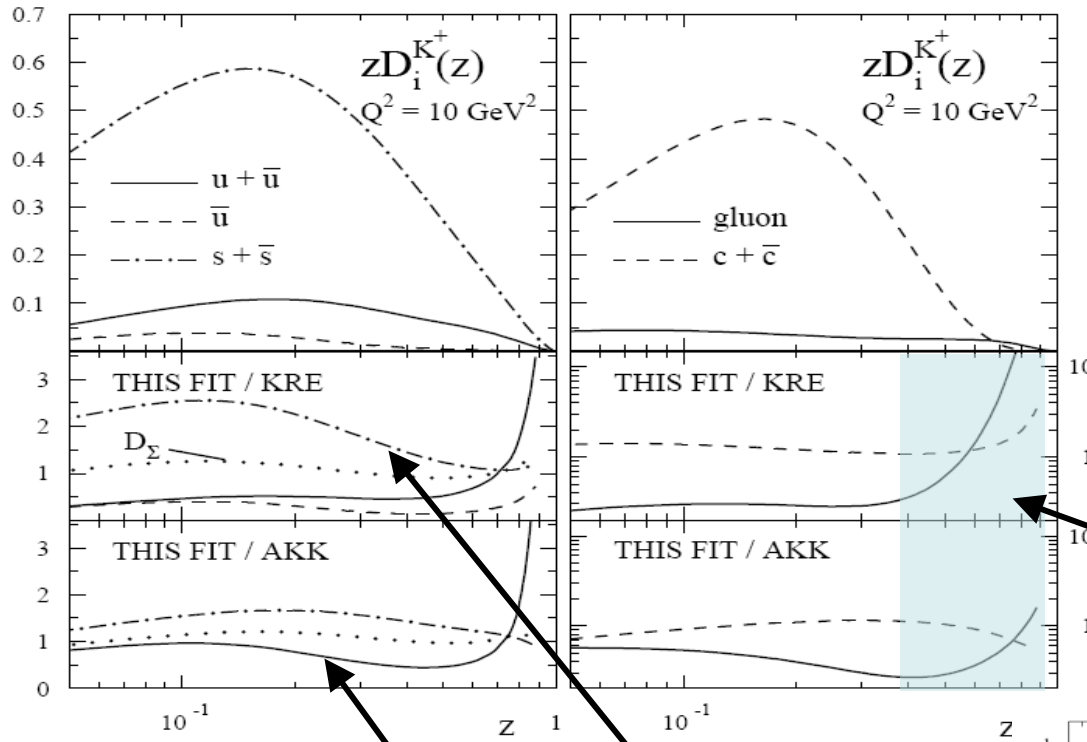


z-range of  
RHIC pp data  
explains  
difference in  $D_g$

- singlet fragmentation  $D_\Sigma$  very similar (fixed by SIA at  $M_Z$ )
- u-frag. smaller than in AKK (due to SIDIS) ; compensated by larger  $D_s$  in SIA
- find: SU(2) violation  $< 10\%$ ; SU(3) violation  $\simeq 20\%$



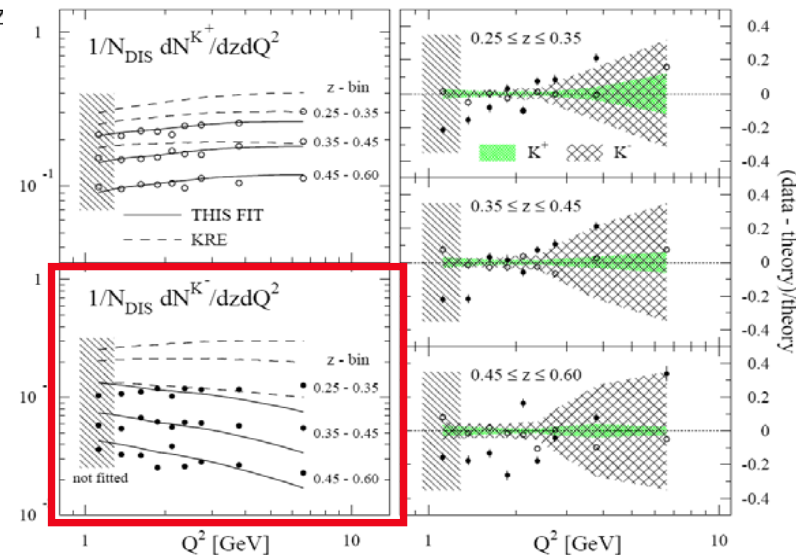
# meet the $D_i(z)$ 's: kaons



again, RHIC pp data explain different  $D_g$

smaller  $u$  & larger  $s$ -frag.  
required by SIDIS

**note:** some issues with  $K^-$  data (slope!)  
await eagerly final HERMES data



# uncertainties from Lagrange multipliers: pions

recall:

$$O_i(\{a_j\}) = \eta_i(\{a_j\}, z_{\min}) \\ = \int_{z_{\min}}^1 dz z D_i^h(z, Q^2)$$

here:

$$z_{\min} = 0.2, Q = 5 \text{ GeV}$$

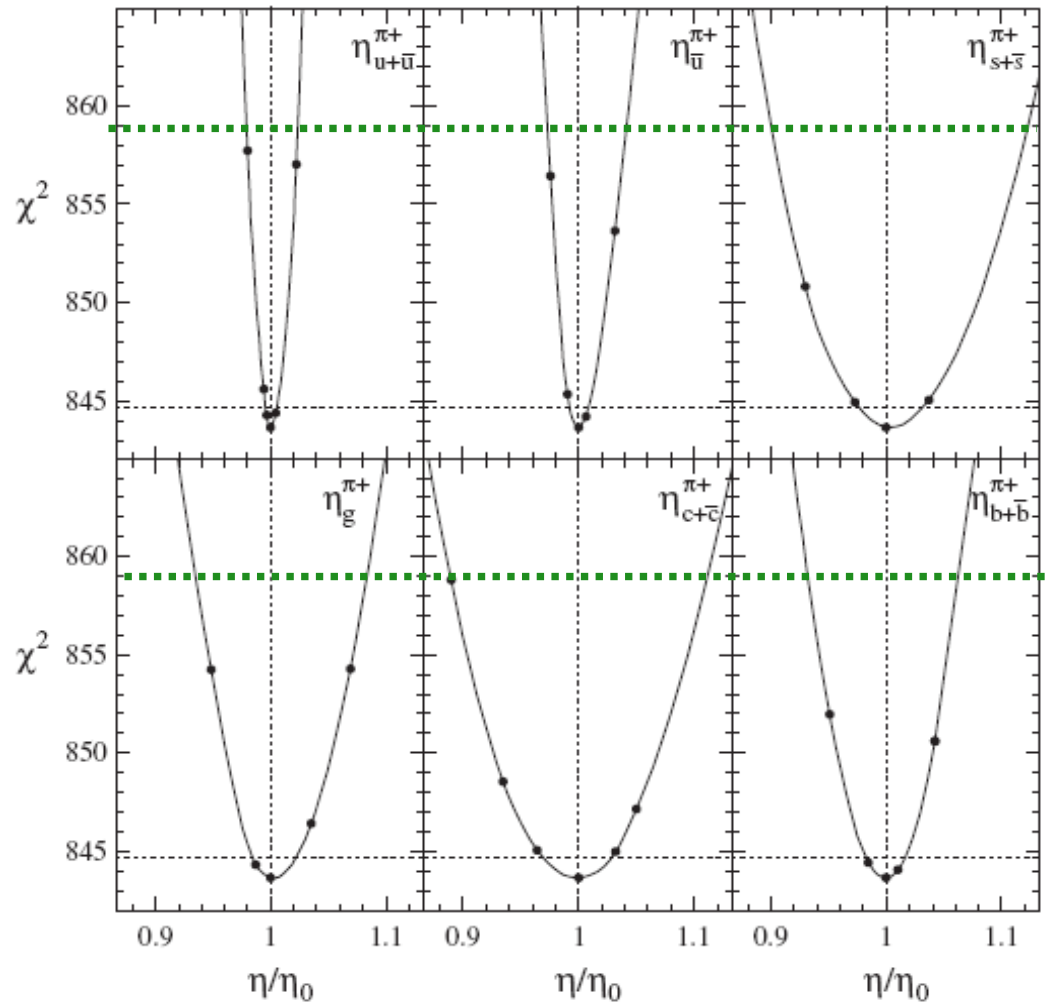
$\eta_0$ : best fit value

next:

generate the  $\chi^2$  profiles

choose the  $\Delta\chi^2$  **you** want to tolerate, e.g.,  $\Delta\chi^2=15$  and read off uncertainties

$$\delta\eta_{u+\bar{u}}^{\pi^+} \leq 3\% \quad \delta\eta_{\bar{u}}^{\pi^+} \leq 5\% \quad \delta\eta_{s+\bar{s}}^{\pi^+} \simeq 10\%$$



$$\delta\eta_g^{\pi^+} \leq 10\% \quad \delta\eta_{c+\bar{c}}^{\pi^+} \geq 10\% \quad \delta\eta_{b+\bar{b}}^{\pi^+} \leq 10\%$$

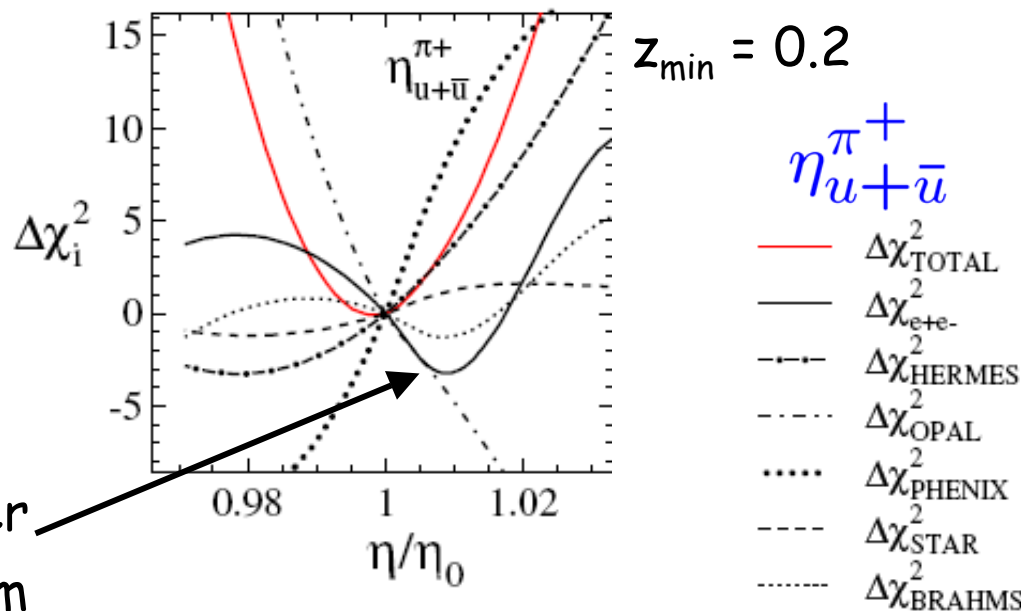
# assessing the role of each data set:

define:

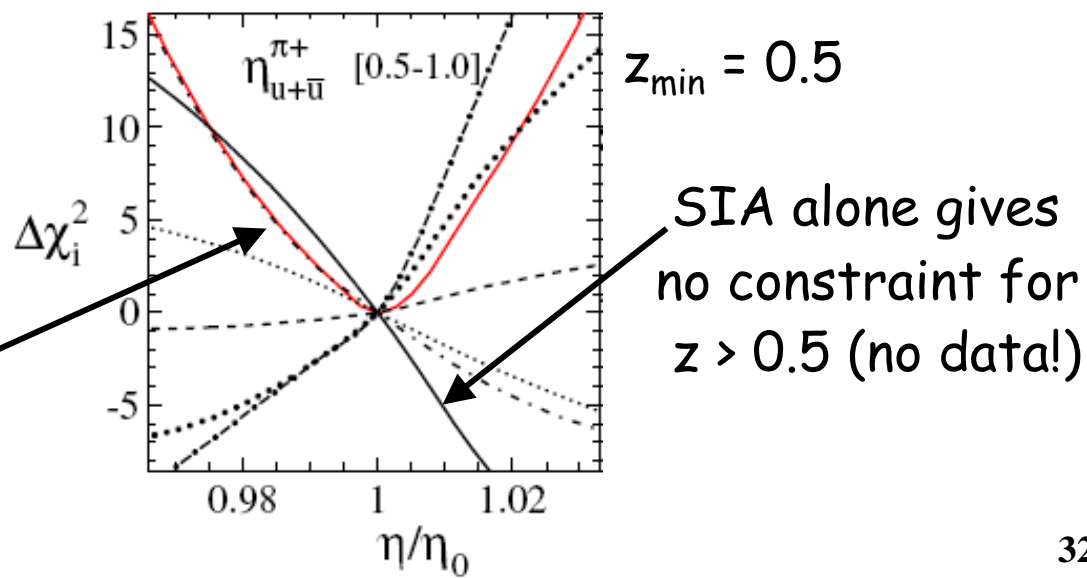
$$\Delta\chi_i^2 = \chi_i^2 - \chi_i^2|_0$$

partial contribution of  
data subset i to  $\Delta\chi^2$

“tension”: SIA data prefer  
slightly different minimum

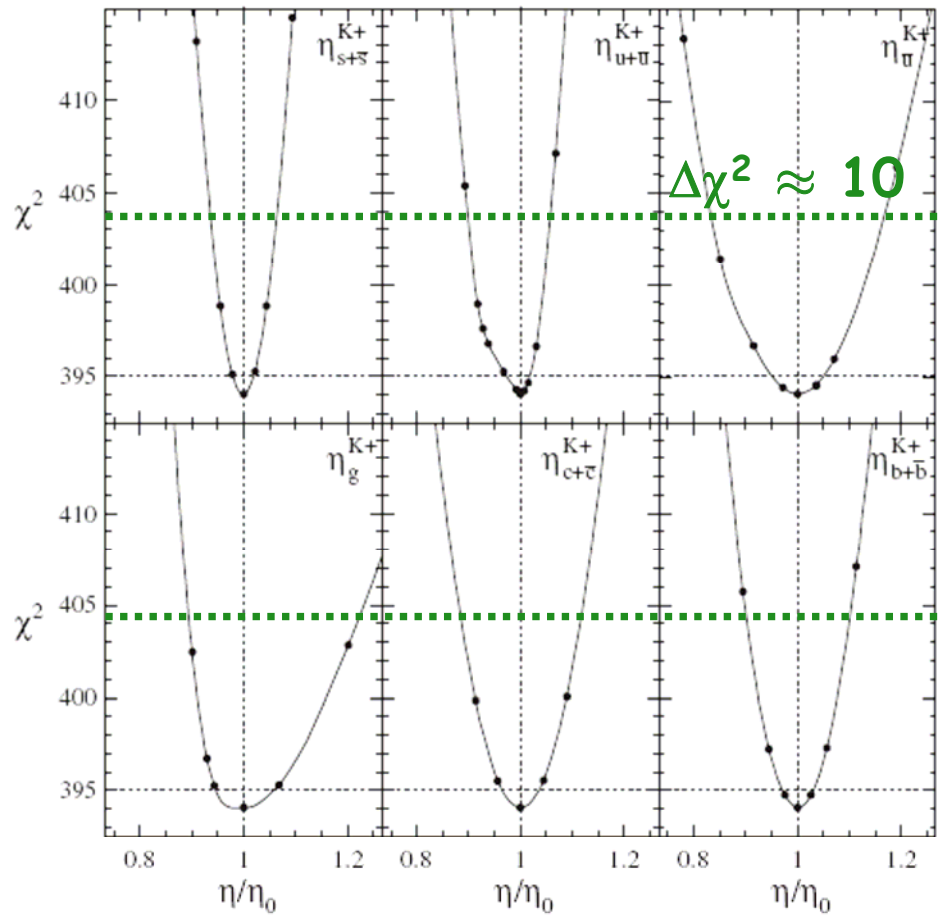


“complementarity”: data sets  
conspire to a constraining  
 $\chi^2$  - profile

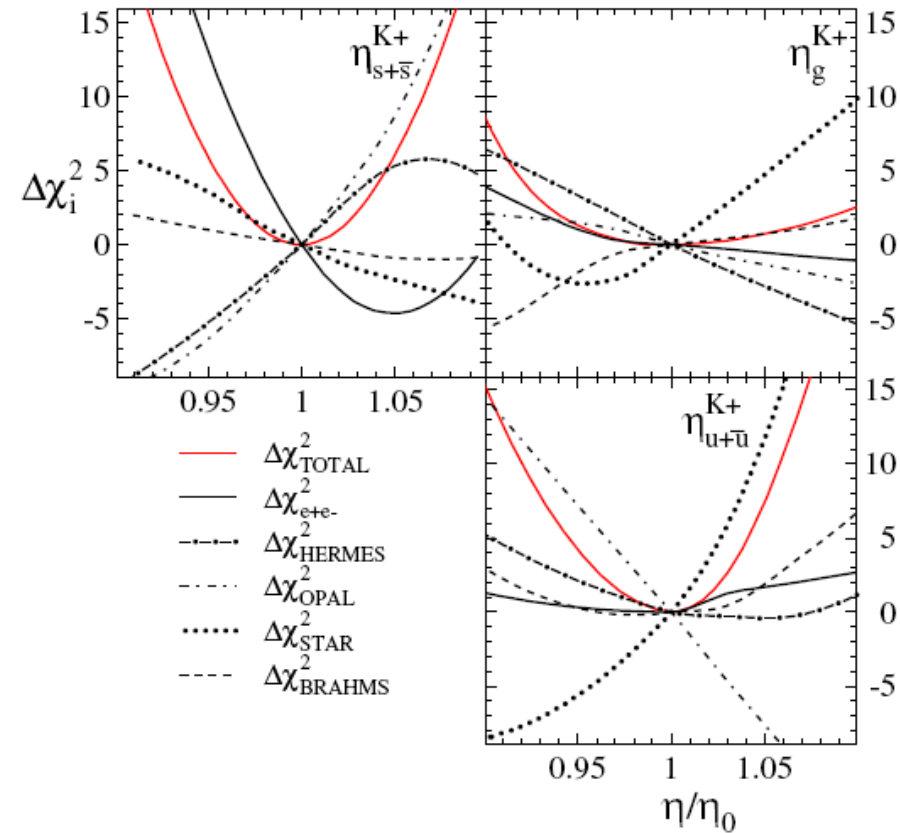


# uncertainties: kaons

at least twice as large than for pions



$\chi^2$  - profiles less parabolic



partial  $\Delta\chi_i^2$  from subsets show again "tension" and "complementarity"

# remarks on the overall quality of the fits

- typically  $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} \simeq 2$

mainly from a few isolated points, e.g., SIDIS  $\pi^-$  and K-  
some tension among data sets with flavor tagging

- $\chi^2$  grows  $\approx 25\%$  for LO fits

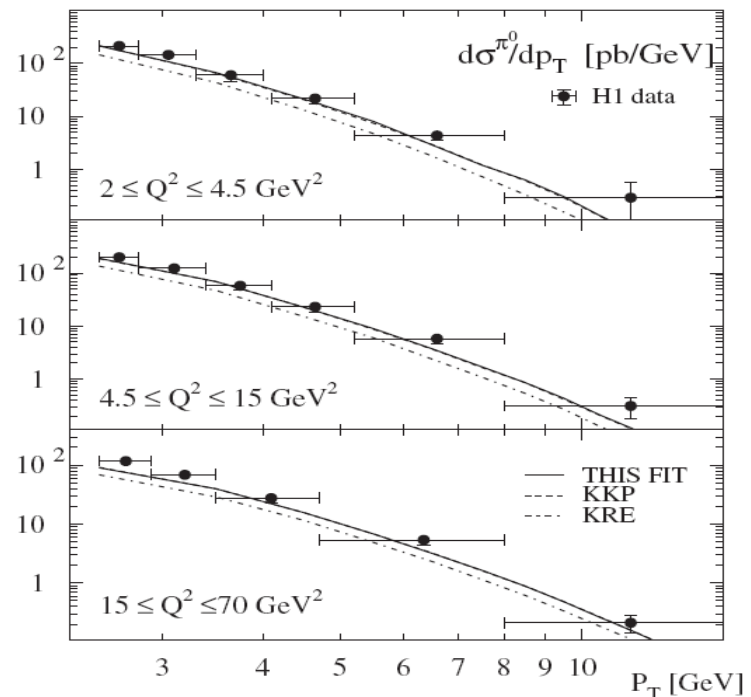
mainly from pp data (fits try to make up for large NLO corrections)

- predictive power

NLO  $p_T$  distribution of forward  $\pi^0$

crucially dependent on  $D_g$

Daleo, de Florian, Sassot



not included in fit

## ■ summary & outlook

# first global analysis of fragmentation functions

it works!



can be only the beginning:

must be an ongoing effort like CTEQ/MRST for pdfs  
more/new data usually call for refinements

more groups (AKK, ...) essential for progress on  
"the known knowns, the known unknowns, and the unknown unknowns"\*)

studies of uncertainties must be further refined

treatment of charm and bottom contributions needs improvement

need more data: HERMES (final set), BELLE/BaBar, RHIC,...

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\*) courtesy of a Rumsfeld poem