

THEORY PREDICTIONS

for PDF fitting

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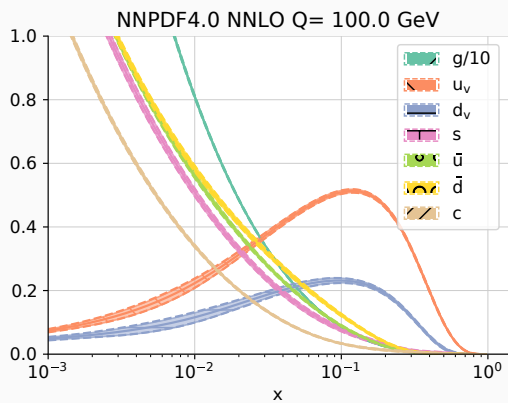
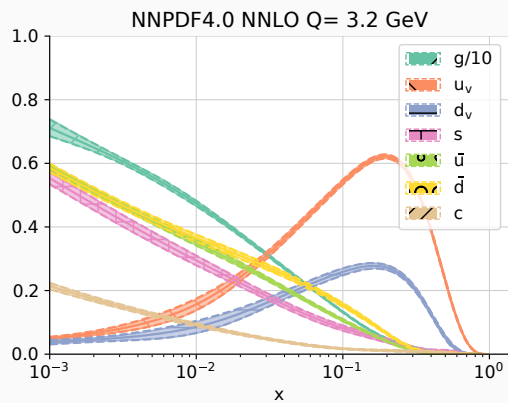
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NNPDF4.0 [[ARXIV: 2109.02653](#)]



METHODOLOGY new Neural Network, based on widely supported, industry-level library, with further tests and machine-learning inspired improvements

DATA more data from LHC, and a massive increment in the number of processes (jets, dijets, single top, top pair, ...)

ERRORS a consequential great reduction in uncertainty

BACKWARD COMPATIBLE preserving compatibility with NNPDF3.1

PUBLIC CODE code public [arXiv: 2109.02671] and documented

- “make your own NNPDF!”

The screenshot shows the NNPDF4.0 website. The browser address bar displays `https://docs.nnpdf.science`. The page title is "The NNPDF collaboration" with a "View page source" link. The main heading is "The NNPDF collaboration". The text below reads: "The NNPDF collaboration performs research in the field of high-energy physics. The NNPDF collaboration determines the structure of the proton using contemporary methods of artificial intelligence. A precise knowledge of the so-called **Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs)** of the proton, which describe their structure in terms of their quark and gluon constituents, is a crucial ingredient of the physics program of the Large Hadron Collider of CERN."

Below this is another heading "The NNPDF code" followed by text: "The scientific output of the collaboration is freely available to the public through the arXiv, journal repositories, and software repositories. Along with this online documentation, we release the NNPDF code, used to produce the latest family of PDFs from NNPDF: NNPDF4.0. The code is made available as an open-source package together with the user-friendly examples and an extensive documentation presented here."

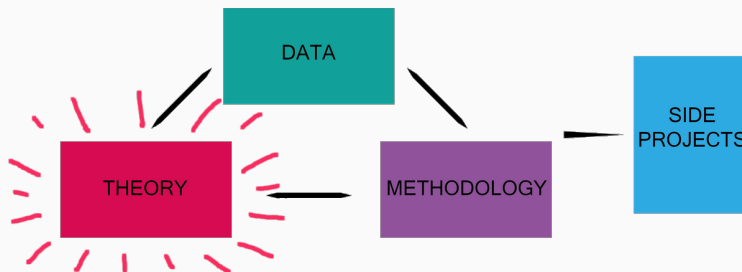
Further down, it states: "The code can be used to produce the ingredients needed for PDF fits, to run the fits themselves, and to analyse the results. This is the first framework used to produce a global PDF fit made publicly available, enabling for detailed external validation and reproducibility of the NNPDF4.0 analysis. Moreover, the code enables the user to explore a number of phenomenological applications, such as the assessment of the impact of new experimental data on PDFs, the effect of changes in theory settings on the resulting PDFs and a fast quantitative comparison between theoretical predictions and experimental data over a broad range of observables."

A note at the bottom says: "If you are a new user head along to [getstarted](#) and check out the [Tutorials](#)."

The final heading is "The NNPDF team" with the text: "The NNPDF collaboration is currently composed by the following members:"

The left sidebar of the website contains a search bar and a list of navigation links: Getting started, Fitting code: `nnpdf`, Code for data: `validphys`, Handling experimental data: `Builmaster`, Storage of data and theory predictions, Theory, Chi square figures of merit, Contributing guidelines and tools, Releases and compatibility policy, Continuous integration and deployment, Servers, External codes, Tutorials.

Mostly the same (not really: K-factors recomputed, a lot of new processes).



But main providers¹ (DIS, evolution, FTDY) are the exact same of NNPDF3 . 1.

¹In particular it is one: **APFEL**, and the associated **APFELcomb**.

EKO [ARXIV: 2202.02338]

EKO

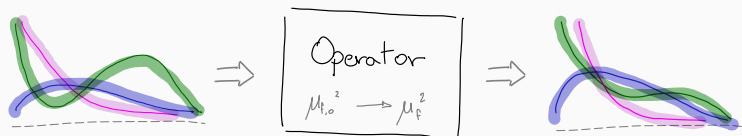
Evolution Kernel Operators

The main purpose is to solve DGLAP equations:

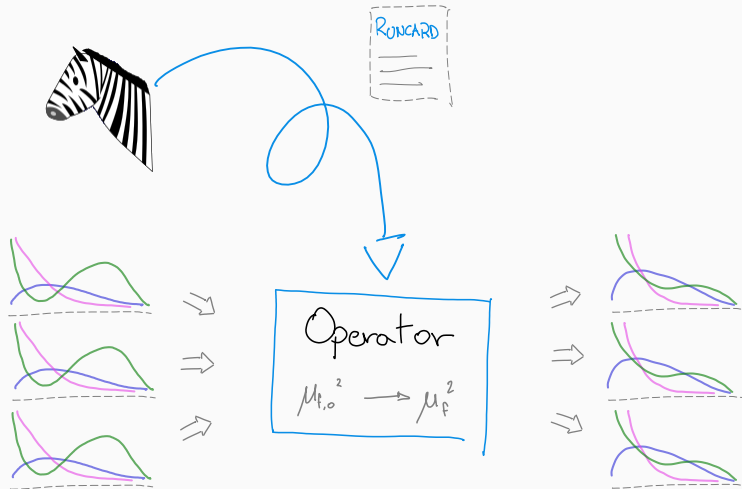
$$\mu_F^2 \frac{df}{d\mu_F^2}(\mu_F^2) = P(a_s(\mu_R^2), \mu_F^2) \otimes f(\mu_F^2)$$

These equations define a set of linear operators $E(\mu_F^2 \leftarrow \mu_{F,0}^2)$ on PDF sets

$$f(\mu_F^2) = E(\mu_F^2 \leftarrow \mu_{F,0}^2) \otimes f(\mu_{F,0}^2)$$



Independent of boundary condition \rightarrow PDF fitting

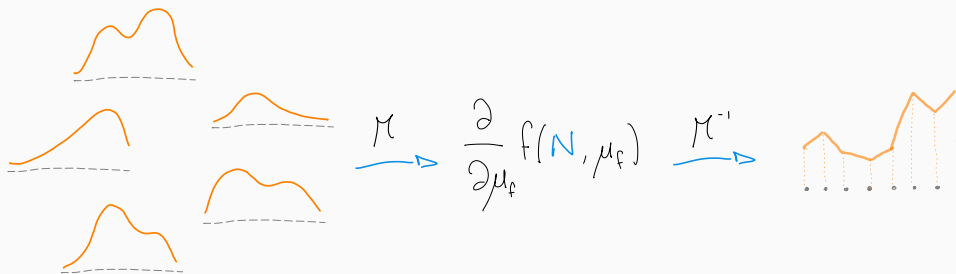


Solved in Mellin (N -) space, but the operator is recasted in x -space.

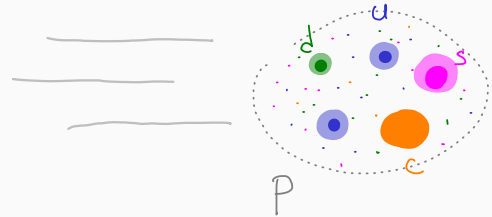
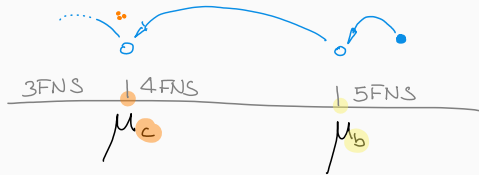
Via piecewise Lagrange-interpolation:

INPUT PDF is interpolated with polynomials, and *analytically* Mellin transformed

OUTPUT PDF is given on grid points, and Mellin inverted *numerically*



Consistent evolution of **intrinsic** heavy quark distributions.

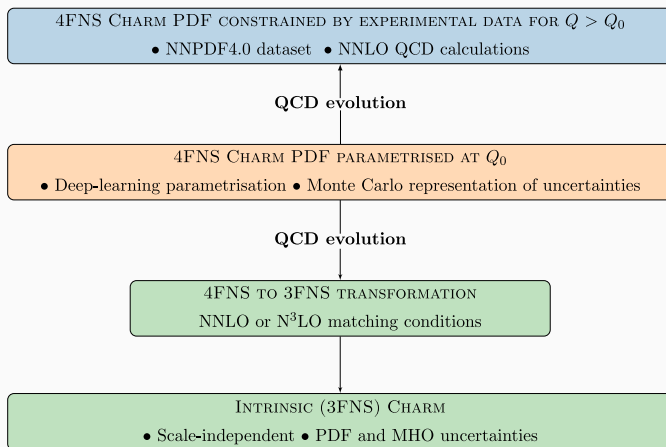


Full **backward** VFNS evolution (i.e. across thresholds and with intrinsic).

And more to come (MHOU, QED, $N^3\text{LO}$, ...).

INTRINSIC CHARM IN THE PROTON [IN PRESS]

Based on NNPDF4.0 [arxiv:2109.02653].



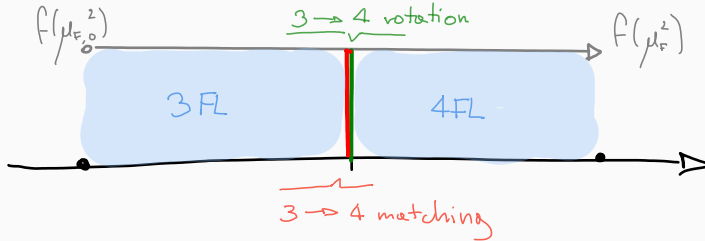
INTRINSIC it is the charm PDF in the **3FNS**, where the charm is actually considered **massive** (and consequently *factorization scale independent* – collinear divergencies are protected by the mass)

MATCHING CONDITIONS AND BACKWARD EVOLUTION

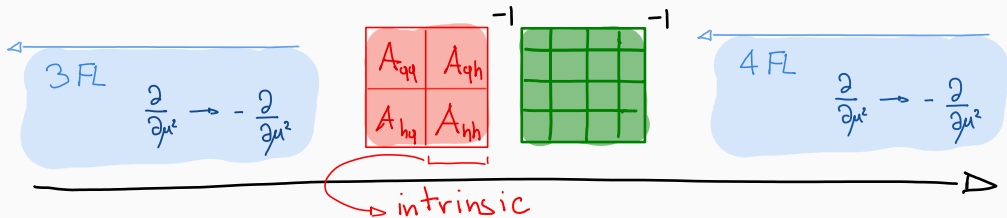
For (forward) evolution across a matching scale μ_h^2 :

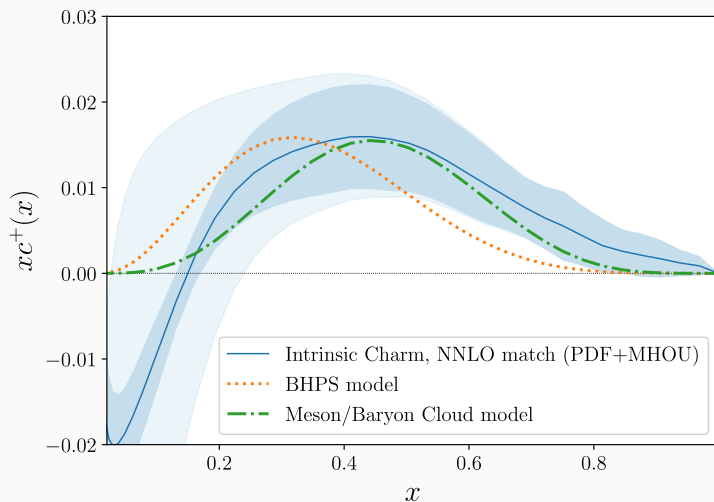
$$f^{(n_f+1)}(\mu_{F,1}^2) = \left[E^{(n_f+1)}(\mu_{F,1}^2 \leftarrow \mu_h^2) R^{(n_f)} A^{(n_f)}(\mu_h^2) E^{(n_f)}(\mu_h^2 \leftarrow \mu_{F,0}^2) \right] \times f^{(n_f)}(\mu_{F,0}^2)$$

The Operator Matrix Element (OME) $A^{(n_f)}(\mu_h^2)$ is partially known up to N^3LO .



Inverse operator (the OME can be inverted either perturbatively or numerically)

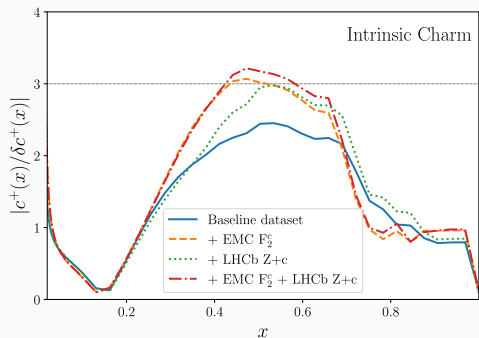
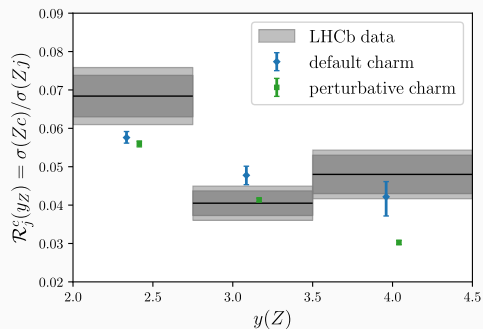




[BHPS] or [Meson/Baryon Cloud Model]

MESSAGE In **3FNS** a valence-like peak is present.

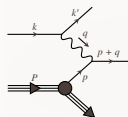
- for $x \leq 0.2$ the perturbative *uncertainties* are quite *large*
- the carried *momentum fraction* is within 1%



We found a 3σ evidence of **intrinsic charm**

- match better recent LHCb Z+c measurement [PRL128-082001]
- result is **stable** with mass variation, dataset variation

yadism [IN PREPARATION]



Yadism

Yet Another DIS Module

	LO	NLO	NNLO	N ³ LO
INC	$e_i^2 \times$ $\delta(1-x)$	~	~	~
CC	$V_{ij}^2 \times$ $\delta(1-x)$	~	~	~

DIS coefficient function database

Independent of boundary condition → PDF fitting.



Several other features: TMC, multiple FNS, generic matching scales, interpolation, ...

- Constant benchmark against APFEL. ✓
- Multiple benchmarks against QCDNUM. ✓
- Benchmark with original FONLL. ✓

NLO	light	heavy	intrinsic
NC	✓	✓	✓
CC	✓	✓	✓
NNLO			
NC	✓	partially tabulated	✗
CC	✓	tabulated	✗
N ³ LO			
NC	✓		
CC	✓		

+ FONLL (cf. *matching conditions*)

So NC is currently implemented up to NNLO [VVM05 MVV05 MV00] light and NLO heavy [Hek19] (i.e. both $O(\alpha_s^2)$). Same for CC light [MRV08 MVV09] and heavy (for which implementation is currently in progress).

For both processes *intrinsic* contributions are accounted at NLO.

There is even another couple of levels of nesting:

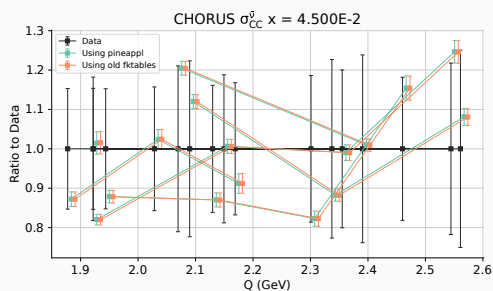
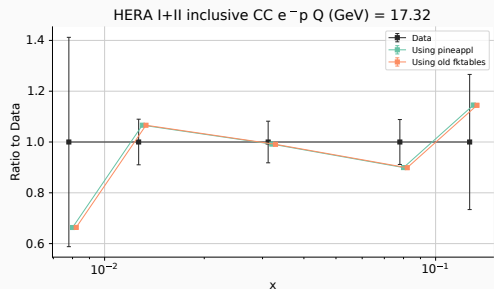
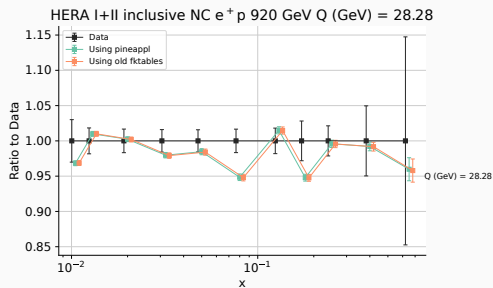
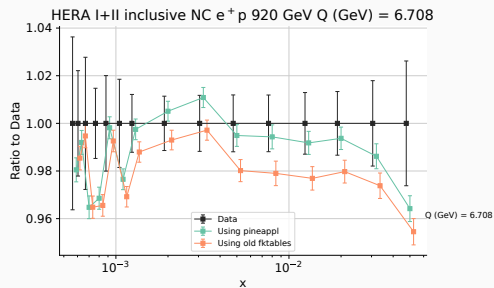
PROJECTIONS F_2 , F_L , and F_3

CHANNELS non-singlet, singlet, gluon

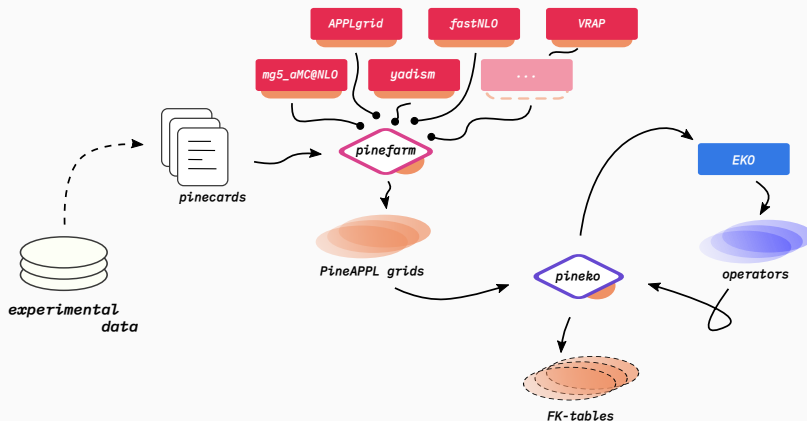
But up to NNLO everything is equally available (while at N³LO it is not always true).

available updated not yet implemented missing not planned

COMPARISON yadism AGAINST APFEL



THEORY PREDICTION PIPELINE



- We're about to develop a new pipeline for theory predictions around PineAPPL [[arXiv:2008.12789](https://arxiv.org/abs/2008.12789)]
- both, EKO and yadism, are interfaced with PineAPPL
- PineAPPL also has interfaces to mg5amc@nlo, APPLgrid, FastNLO

GOAL produce FastKernel tables used in PDF fitting

SUMMARY

I hope you enjoyed the effort of converting words in pictures. But now is the time of a few words...

- **computing expressions** *is not the end of the story*
- Monte Carlo generators and other providers (e.g. `yadism`) are *essential*
 - but **not enough** for a PDF-like fit (including α_s)
- predictions have to be agnostic to the fitted object, to avoid recomputation → we need **interpolation grids** note that **interpolation here is not a compromise**, since unknown functions like PDFs are **defined through** interpolation
- **PineAPPL** is such a format, providing extensive tooling and bindings
- **interfacing** is **crucial**: developing all this software is *expensive*, so the community can not pay the price of doing it over and over → tools have to become **modular** and **interoperable**
- **file-base exchange**, with clear specification of data format helps a lot
 - preferably based on *wide-spread and supported data serialization formats*, e.g. `JSON` or `hdf5`, in order to make them usable by as many programs (and programming languages) as possible in the cheapest way
 - **LHAPDF** is a good example

Why should one use:

EKO? because:

- it produces “out of the box” **operators**
- the operators can be immediately used **together with grids**
- it joins advantages of **x and N space**
- it is getting more and **more physics features** (intrinsic, backward VFNS, QED, N^3 LO)

yadism? because:

- direct production **DIS grids**
- extensive (and extended) database of **coefficient functions**
- thorough implementation of **FNS** (and more...)

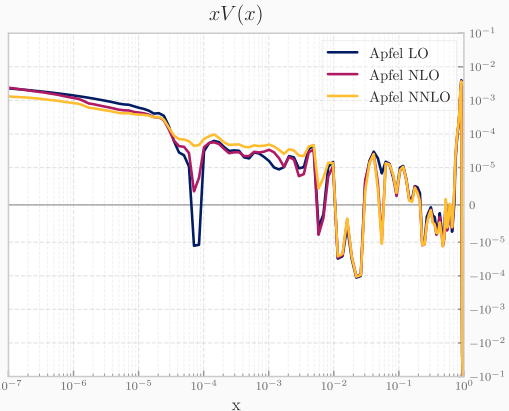
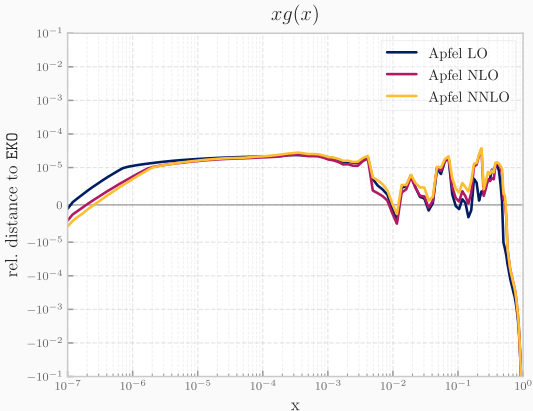
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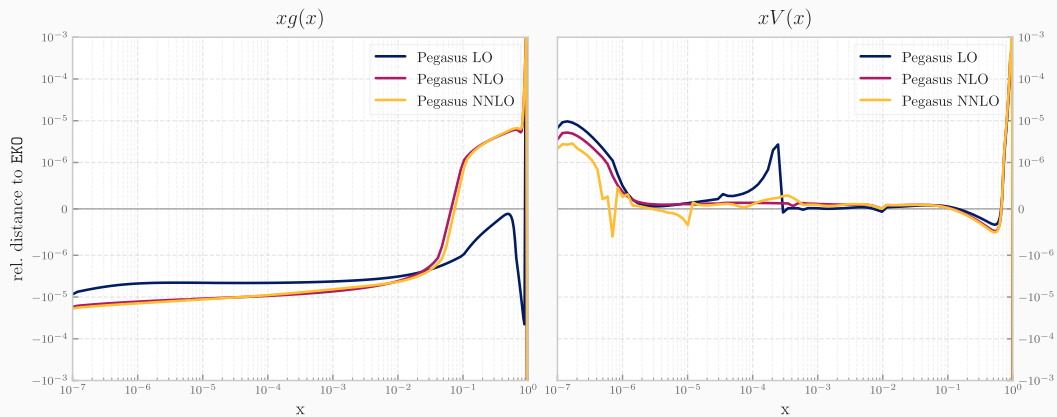
- it makes **easy, flexible, and reproducible**
- to produce **performant theory** predictions for PDF fitting

Intrinsic charm itself is a *joint* product of **EKO** and **NNPDF4.0** efforts.

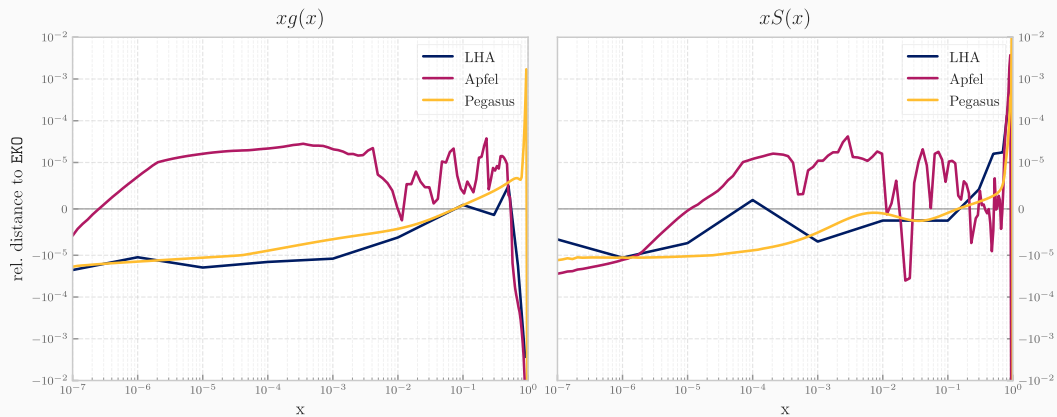
THANK YOU FOR LISTENING!

EKO

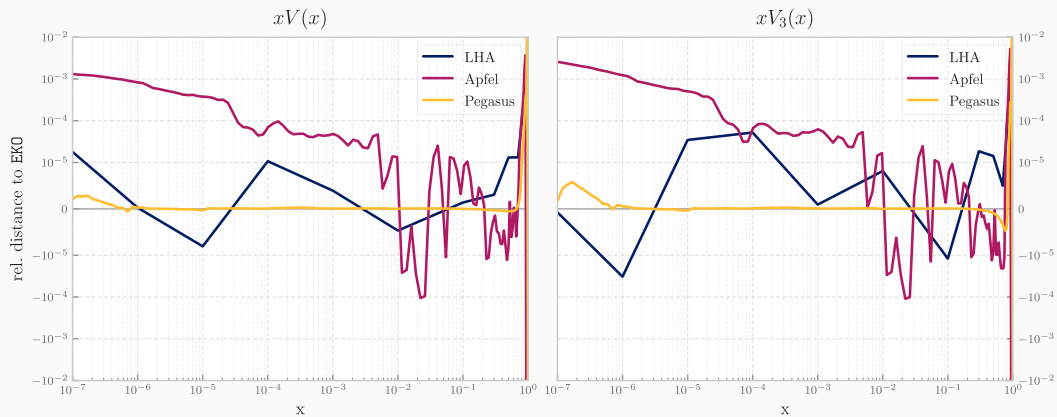




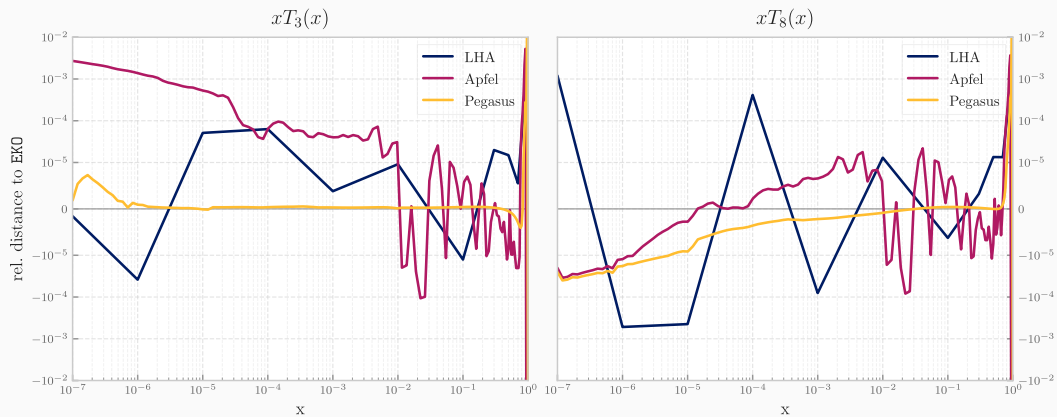
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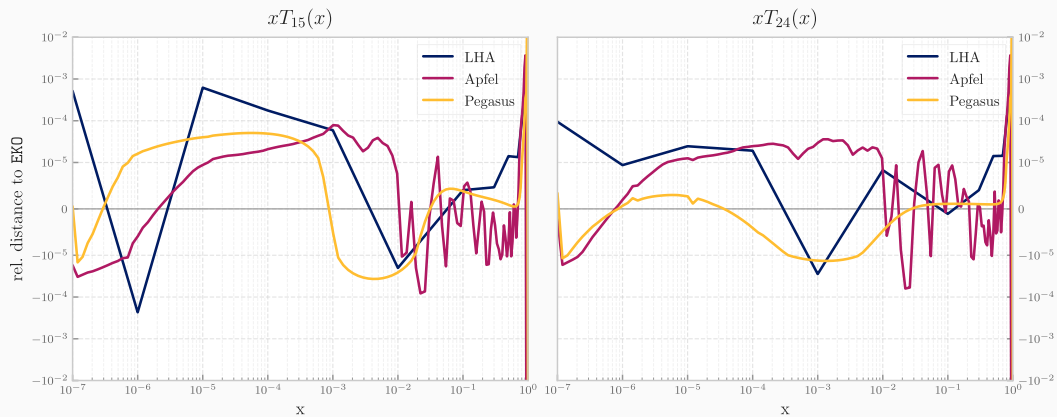
EKO LHA BENCHMARK: V AND V_3



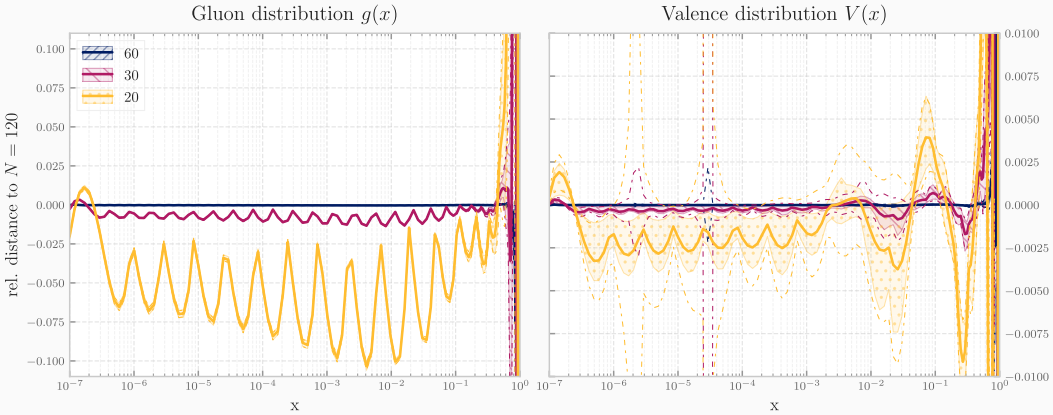
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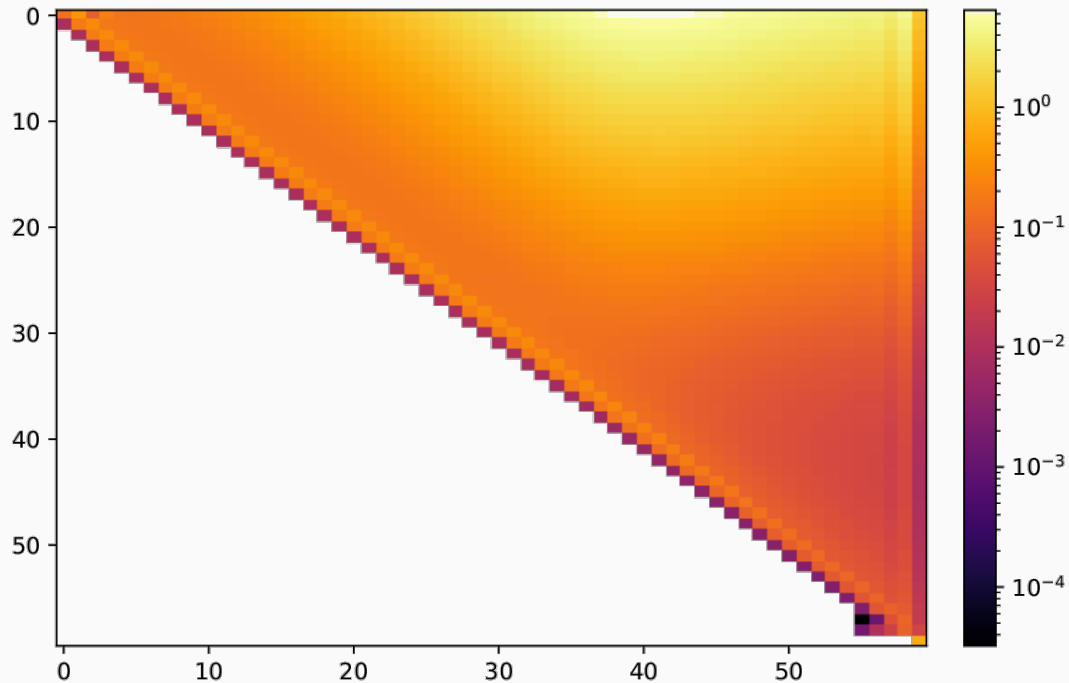


EKO LHA BENCHMARK: T_{15} AND T_{24}

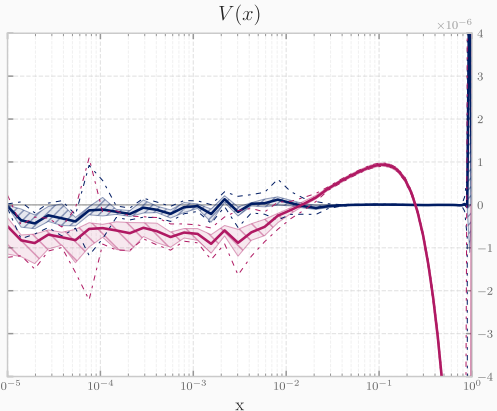
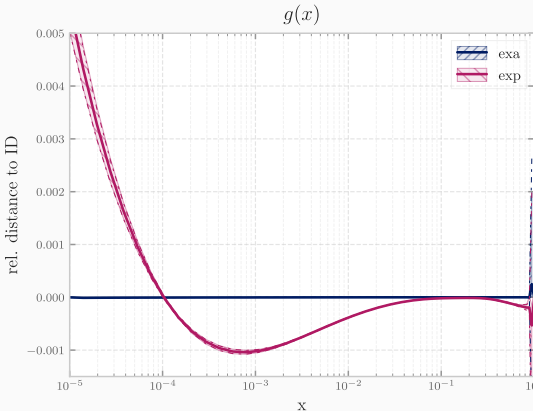


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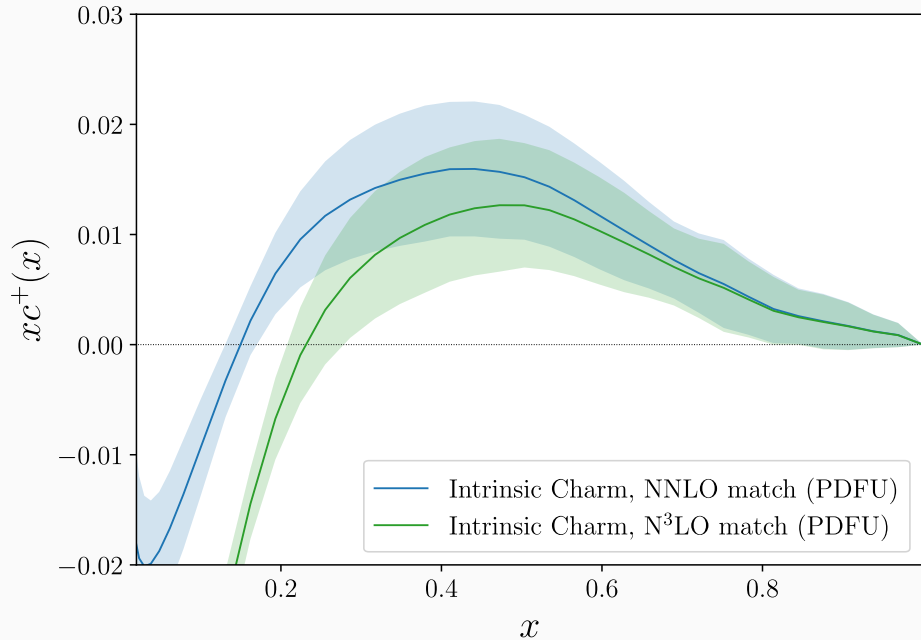


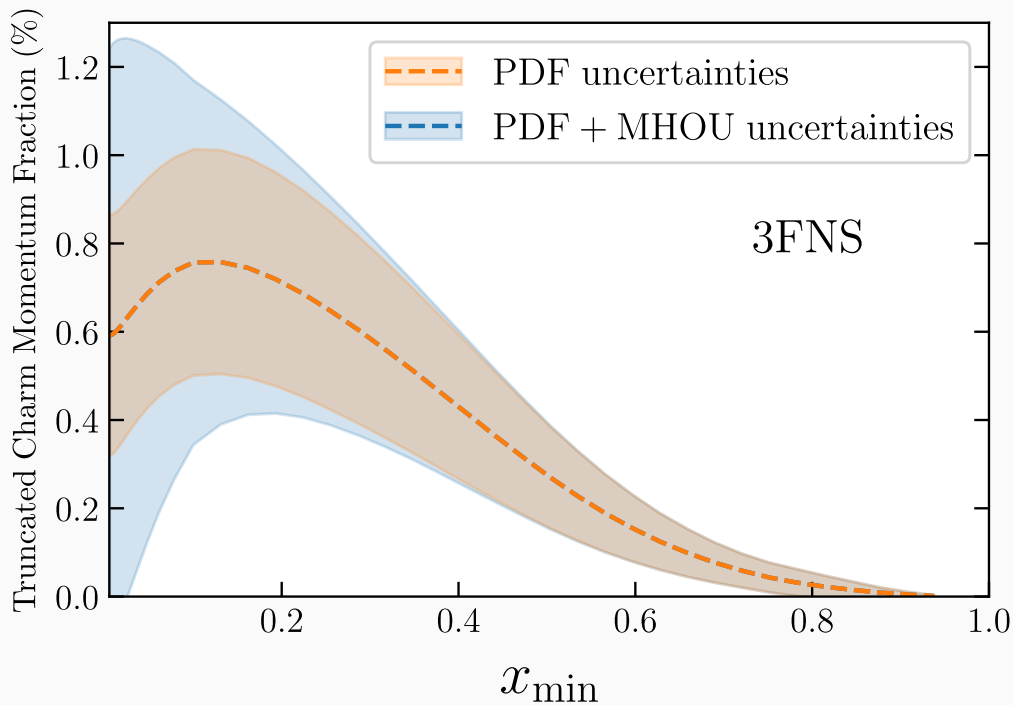


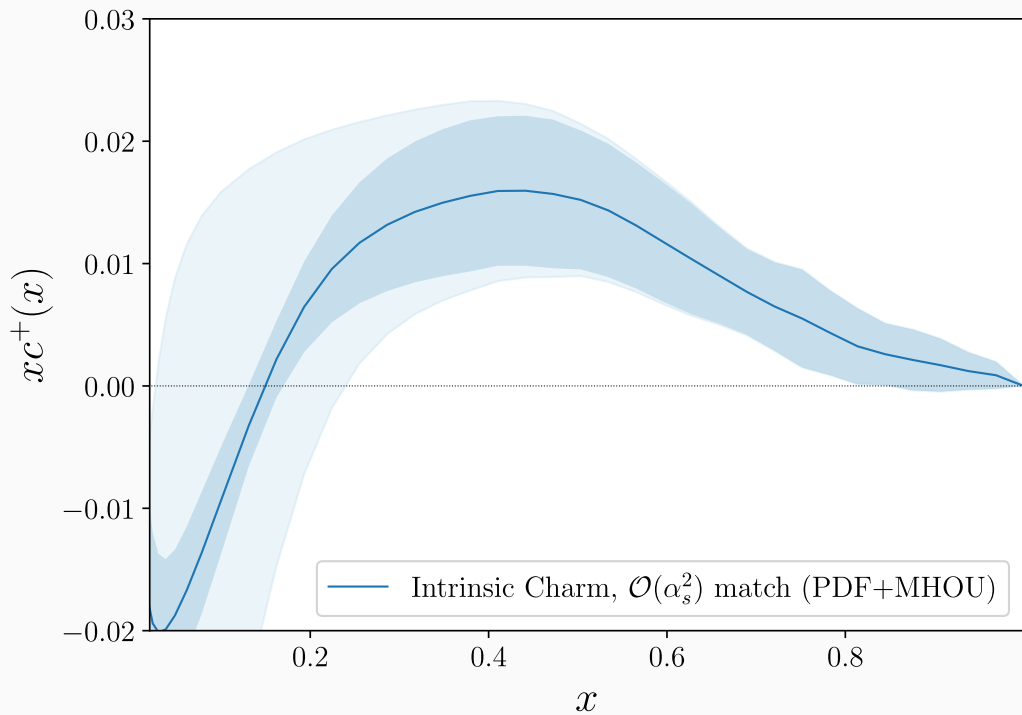
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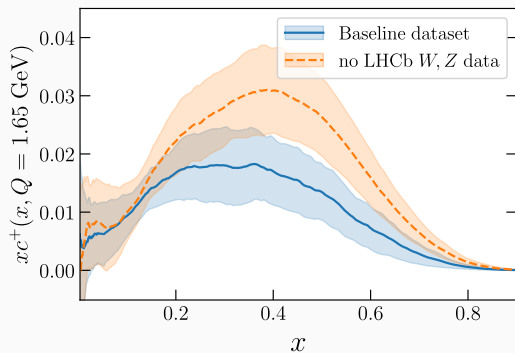
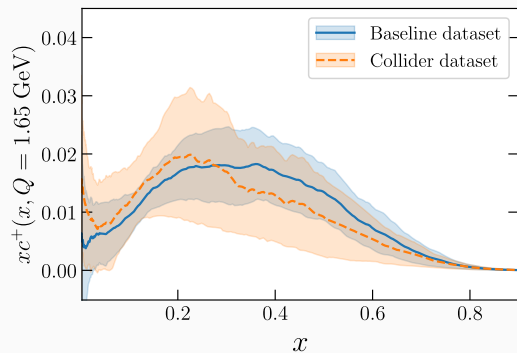
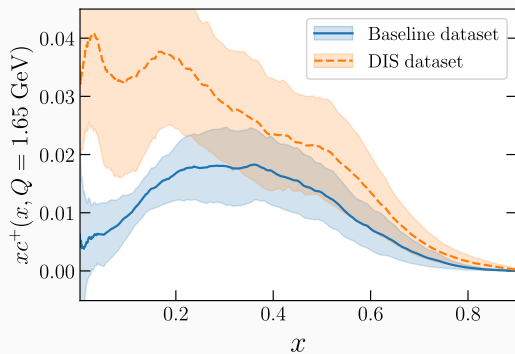
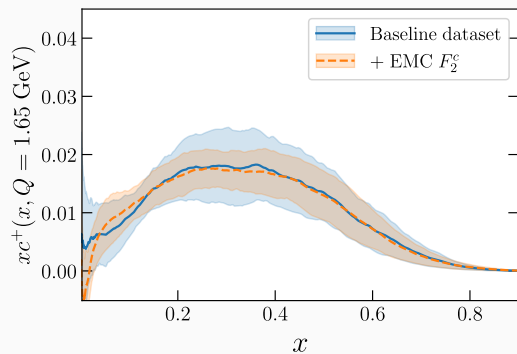


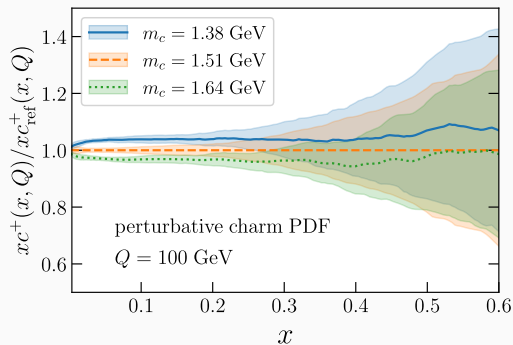
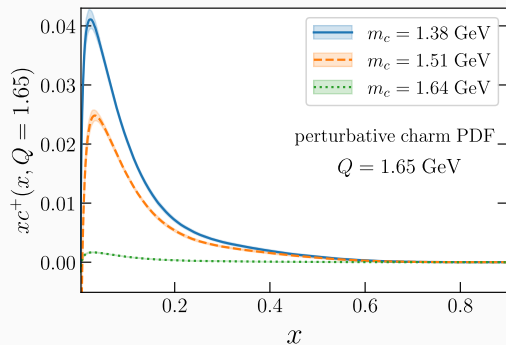
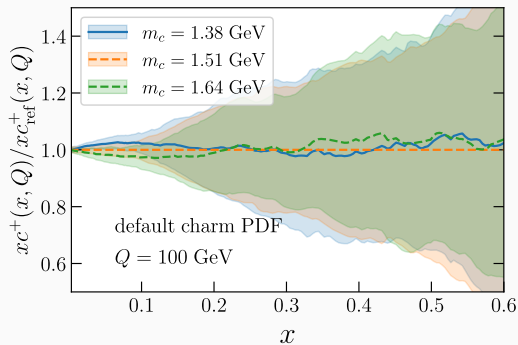
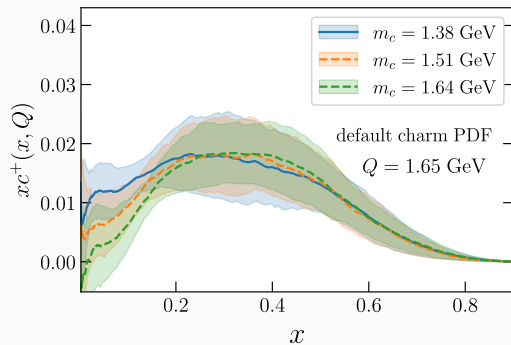
INTRINSIC CHARM

3FNS comparison – NNLO matching vs N³LO









yadism

