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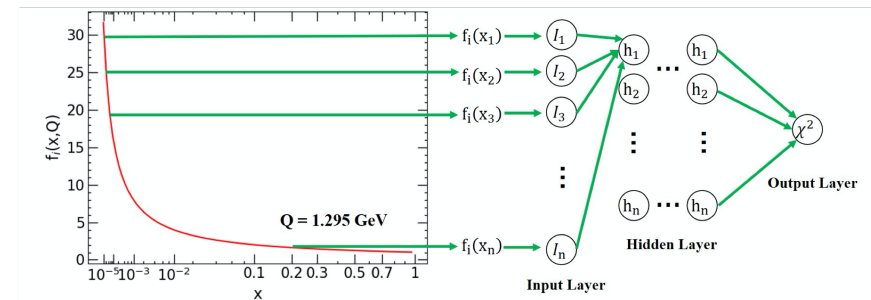
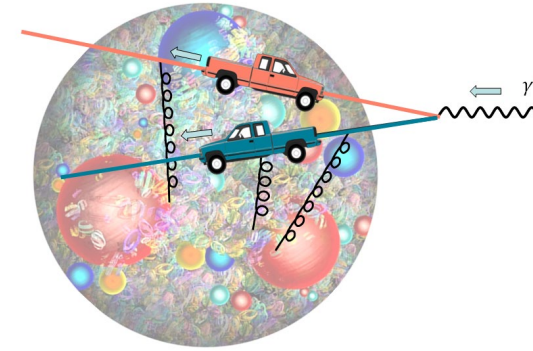
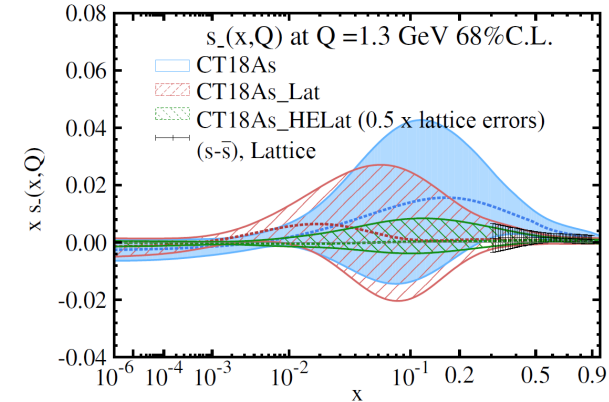
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With CTEQ-TEA (Tung Et. Al.) working group

China: A. Ablat, S. Dulat, J. Gao, T.-J. Hou,
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Mexico: A. Courtoy

USA: T.J. Hobbs, M. Guzzi, X. Jing,
J. Huston, H.-W. Lin, D. Stump, C. Schmidt, K. Xie, C.-P. Yuan



CTEQ-TEA presentations at DIS'2023

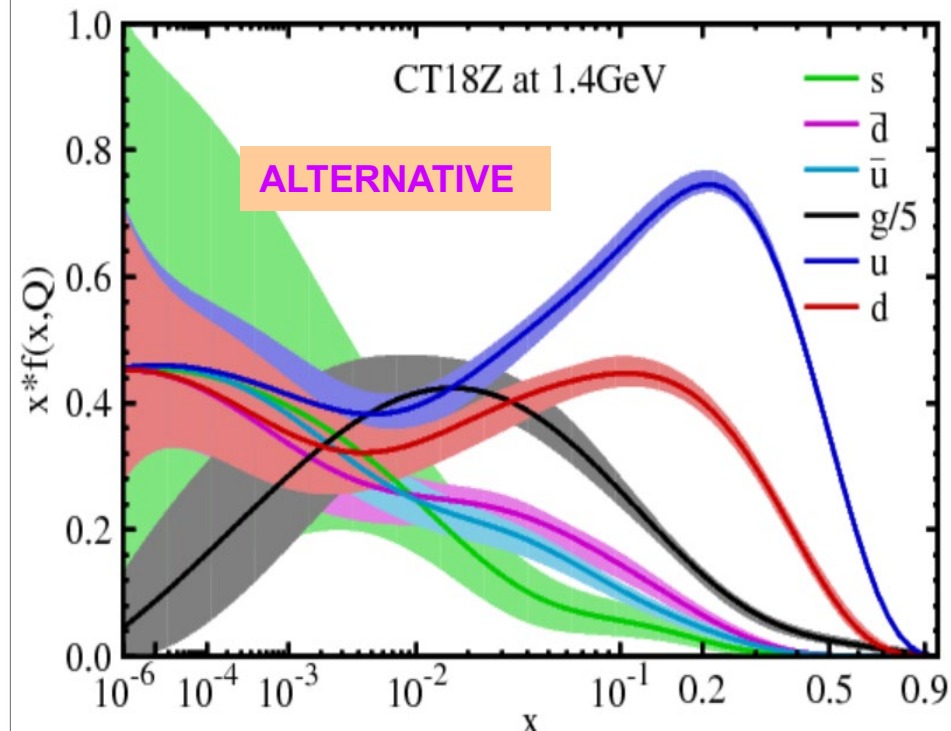
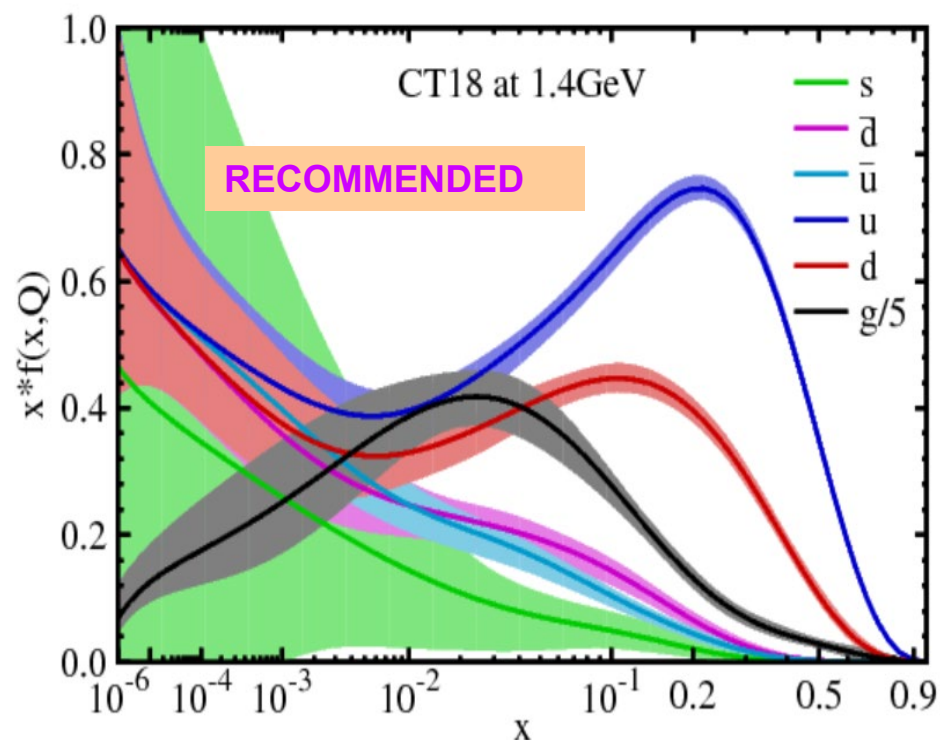
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CT18 parton distributions

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Four PDF ensembles: CT18 (default), A, X, and Z



New CT18 NNLO grids for precision calculations

- **Soon to appear in the LHAPDF library**
- Contain more x and Q points – improved interpolation at the expense of slightly slower evaluation
- Crossing of quark mass thresholds implemented with multiple Q grids
- Complement the published (less dense) CT18 grids that remain sufficient for most applications

Toward a new generation of CT202X PDFs

1. **Identify sensitive, mutually consistent new experimental data sets** using preliminary fits and fast techniques (L_2 sensitivities and *ePump*)
2. Implement N3LO QCD and NLO EW contributions as they become available. N3LO accuracy is reached only when N3LO terms are **fully** implemented.
3. Meanwhile, “**NNLO+**” **PDFs**: e.g., include theoretical uncertainty due to QCD scale dependence for key processes as has been done in CT18/CT18X NNLO PDFs
4. Explore quark sea flavor dependence: $s - \bar{s}$ (CT18As), fitted charm (CT18FC),...
5. Include lattice QCD constraints (CT18As_Lat)
6. Next-generation PDF uncertainty quantification: META PDFs, Bézier curves, MC sampling, ML stress-testing, multi-Gaussian approaches, ...

Impact of LHC 13 TeV $t\bar{t}$ production on CT2X PDFs

M. Guzzi, WG1

1D $t\bar{t}$ absolute distributions, NNLO QCD with different scale choices

Exp	Obs	Npt	ePump updated Chi2/Npt				Global fit Chi2/Npt		HT/2	HT/4
			HT	HT/2	HT/4		HT/2	HT/4		
ATLAS_hadron Channel	mtt	9	1.749	1.574	1.601		1.532026	1.4691		
	HTtt	11	1.982	1.769	1.585		1.499361	1.74098		
	ytt	12	1.279	1.15	0.938		1.051071	1.07351		
	pTt1	10	1.301	1.185	1.118		1.196207	1.33326		
	pTt2	8	1.132	0.843	1.047		0.84058	1.59056		
CMS_Dilep	mtt	7	3.457	3.068	3.142		3.121005	3.22675		
	ytt	10	1.66	0.969	0.679		0.938607	0.67252		
	pTt	6	3.598	3.701	3.679		3.558017	3.04841		
	yt	10	1.334	0.944	0.867		1.002635	0.68848		
ATLAS_LepJ CMS Bin	mtt	7	2.395	1.165	0.681		0.826805	0.65684		
	ytt	10	0.909	0.69	0.621		0.740418	0.74866		
	pTt	6	2.337	2.012	2.469		1.353523	1.43062		
	yt	10	1.298	1.073	1.095		1.161363	0.68198		
CMS_LepJ 137	mtt	15	1.485	1.383	1.808		1.203901	1.66676		
	ytt	10	6.469	6.238	6.424		6.005668	5.87508		
							NoStatCorrelation		WithStatCorrelation	
ATLAS_LepJ ATLAS Bin NoStatCorrelation	mtt	9	1.551	1.123	0.94		1.27	0.92206	1.287	0.963
	ytt	7	0.911	0.739	0.8		0.756	0.8975	0.751	0.921
	yB	9	1.396	1.267	1.532		0.8498	0.93335	0.858	0.992
	HTtt	9	1.352	0.909	0.933		0.805	0.80475	0.855	0.857
	mttytybHttt	34	1.867	1.28	1.457		0.933	1.06487	1.585	1.322

CT2X = CT18 + new optimal combination of top-quark pair production @LHC13 TeV from:

- ATLAS all hadronic, JHEP 01 (2021) 033, arXiv:2006.09274
- ATLAS lepton + jets, EPJC 79 (2019) 1028, arXiv:1908.07305
- CMS dilepton, JHEP 1902 (2019) 149, arXiv:1811.06625
- CMS lepton + jets, PRD 104 092013 (2021), arXiv:2108.02803

Correlated Systematic Uncertainties:

ATLAS -> nuisance parameters

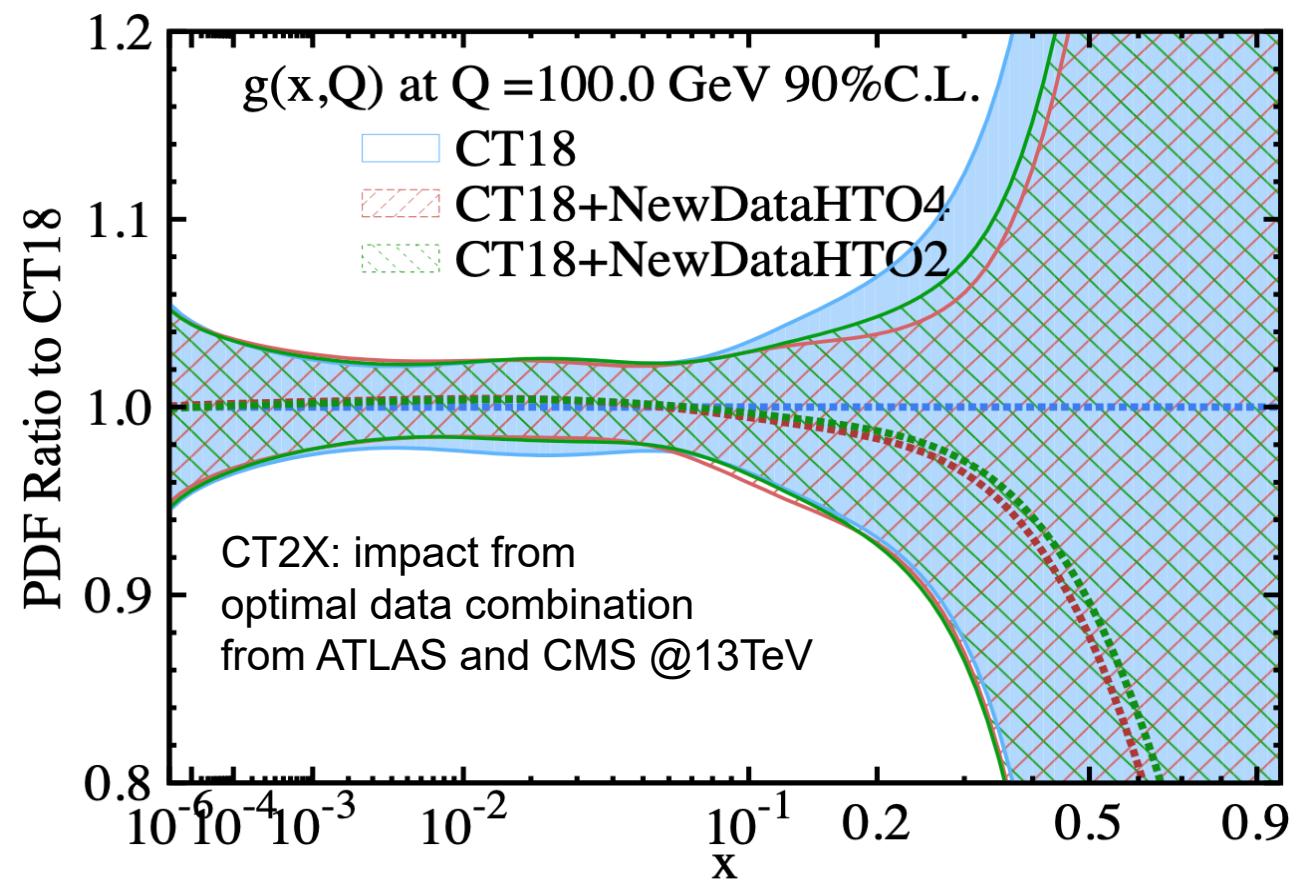
CMS -> Covariance matrix representation (converted to nuisance param.)

When statistical correlations not provided



data added one at a time on top of the CT18 baseline

Scale choices in $t\bar{t}$ CT2X global analysis



Theory predictions:

- MATRIX (Catani, Grazzini et al. PRD 2019)
- FastNNLO (Czakon, et al. 1704.08551)

Blue band: CT18NNLO 90% C.L.

Hatched: CT18 + $t\bar{t}$ data

Green: $\mu_R = \mu_F = H_T/2$

Red: $\mu_R = \mu_F = H_T/4$

The scales giving the lowest χ^2 depend on the PDF set

Differences related to different scale choices are well within the CT18 PDF error band.

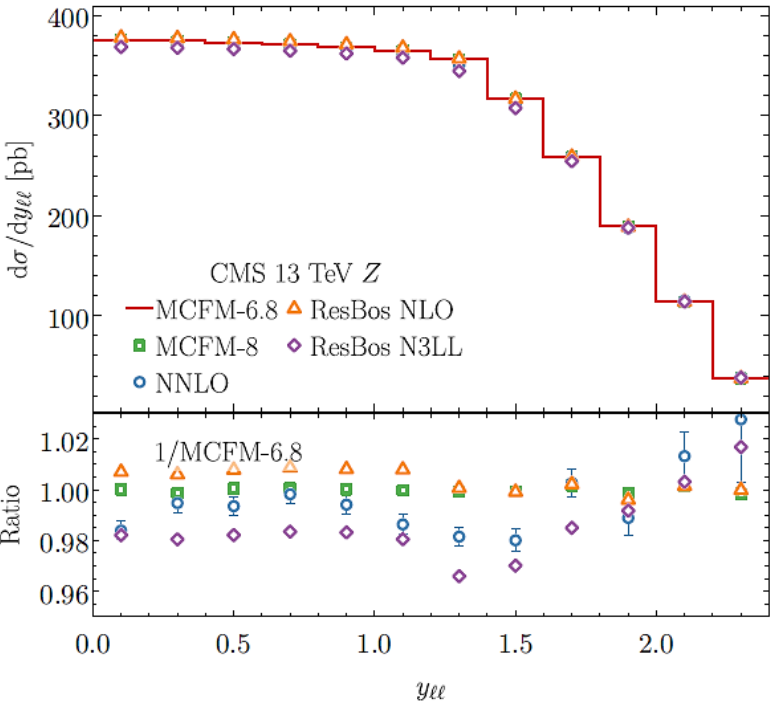
New post-CT18 LHC Drell-Yan data

K. Xie, WG3

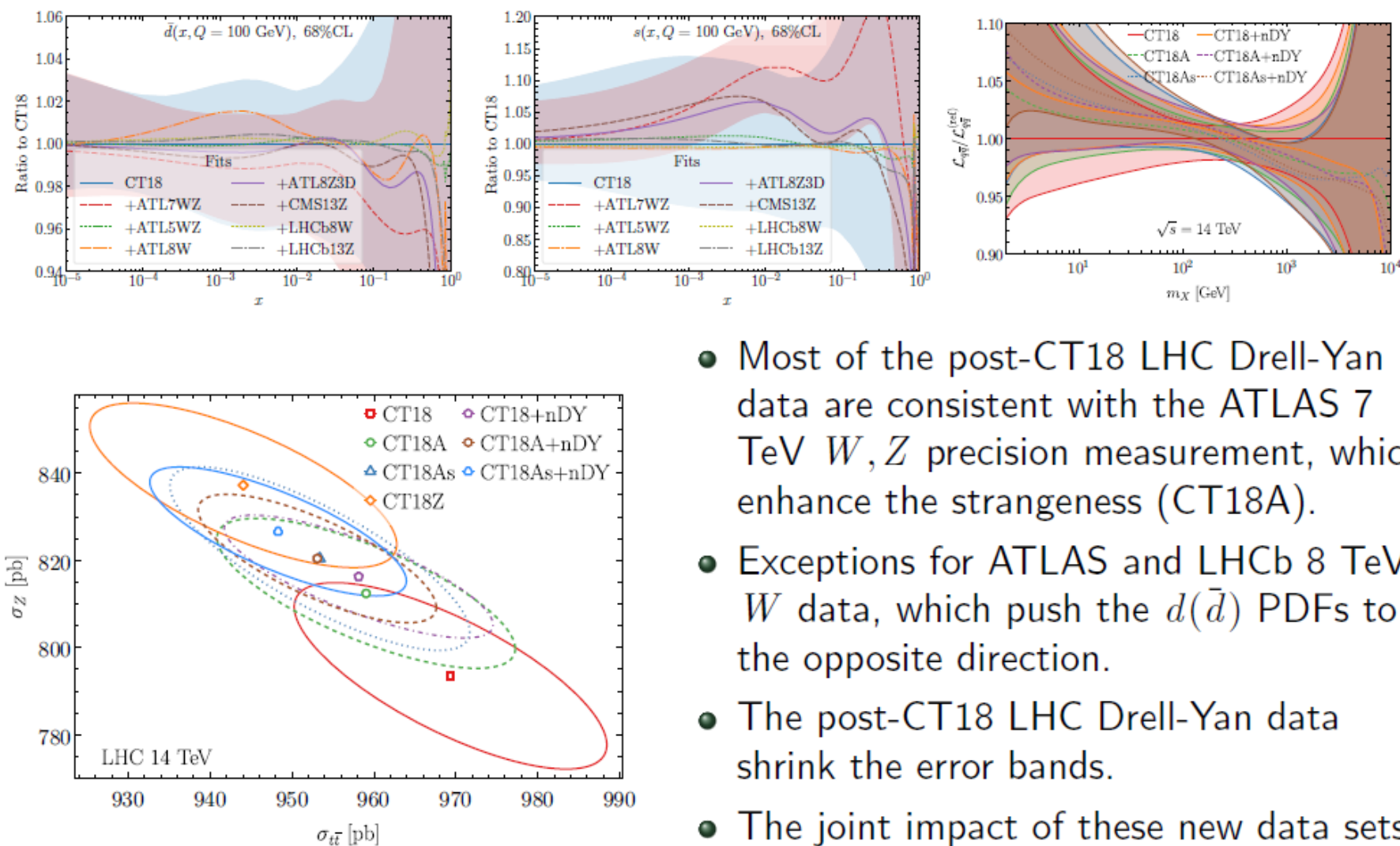
Boson	\sqrt{s}	Lumi	Observable	Ref.
ATLAS				
W, Z	2.76	4.0 pb ⁻¹	$\sigma^{\text{fid,tot}}$	1907.03567
W, Z	13	81.0 pb ⁻¹	σ^{fid}	1603.09222
W, Z	5.02	25.0 pb ⁻¹	$(\eta_\ell, y_{\ell\ell})$	1810.08424
Z	8	20.2 fb ⁻¹	$(m_{\ell\ell}, y_{\ell\ell})$	1710.05167
$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$	8	20.2 fb ⁻¹	η_μ	1904.05631
Z	13	36.1 fb ⁻¹	$p_T^{\ell\ell}$	1912.02844
CMS				
Z	13	2.8 fb ⁻¹	$m_{\ell\ell}$	1812.10529
Z	13	35.9 fb ⁻¹	(y, p_T, ϕ^*)	1909.04133
W	13	35.9 fb ⁻¹	$\sigma^{\text{fid}}, y_W, (\eta_\ell, p_T^\ell)$	2008.04174
LHCb				
$W \rightarrow e\nu$	8	2.0 fb ⁻¹	η_e	1608.01484
Z	13	294 pb ⁻¹	$\sigma^{\text{fid}}, (y, p_T, \phi^*)$	1607.06495
$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$	13	5.1 fb ⁻¹	$\sigma^{\text{fid}}, (y, p_T, \phi^*)$	2112.07458

We mainly focus on (pseudo)rapidity distributions in this work.

Multiple candidate fits to explore the impact of 8 and 13 TeV Drell-Yan data using NNLO and resummed N3LL-NNLO cross sections



Post-CT18 LHC Drell-Yan data [See K. Xie's talk for the details.]



- Most of the post-CT18 LHC Drell-Yan data are consistent with the ATLAS 7 TeV W, Z precision measurement, which enhance the strangeness (CT18A).
- Exceptions for ATLAS and LHCb 8 TeV W data, which push the $d(\bar{d})$ PDFs to the opposite direction.
- The post-CT18 LHC Drell-Yan data shrink the error bands.
- The joint impact of these new data sets pull the PDFs and predictions from CT18 to CT18Z direction.

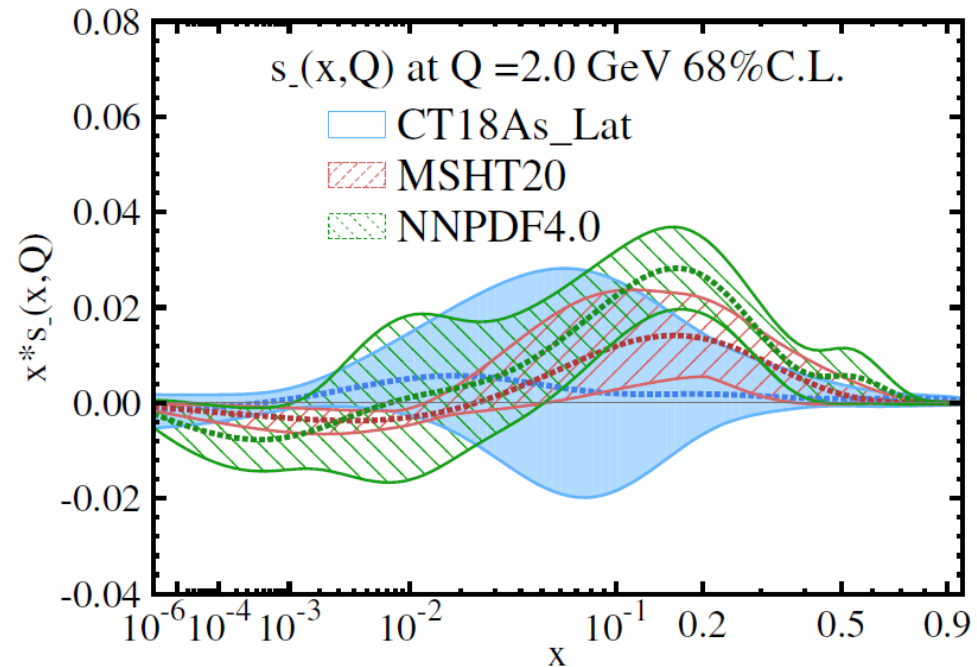
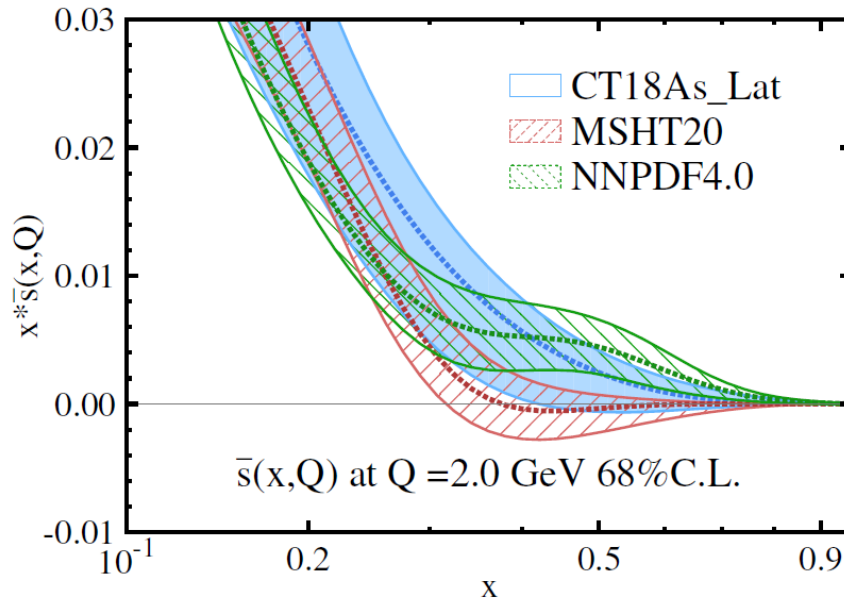
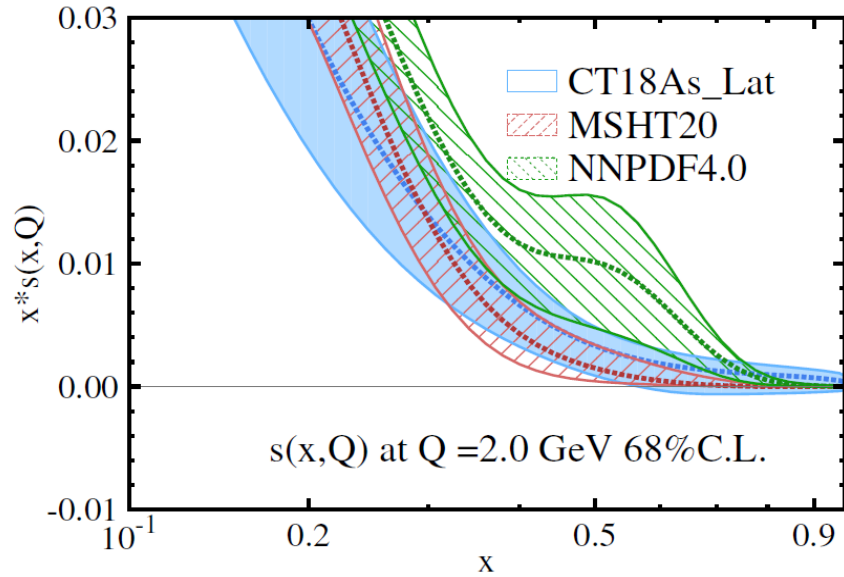
CT18As_Lat NNLO: Strangeness asymmetry with a lattice QCD constraint

T.-J. Hou et al., arXiv: 2211.11064

CT18As: CT18A with $s_- \equiv s - \bar{s} \neq 0$

CT18As_Lat: CT18As with a lattice constraint on $s_-(x)$ at $0.3 \leq x \leq 0.8$.

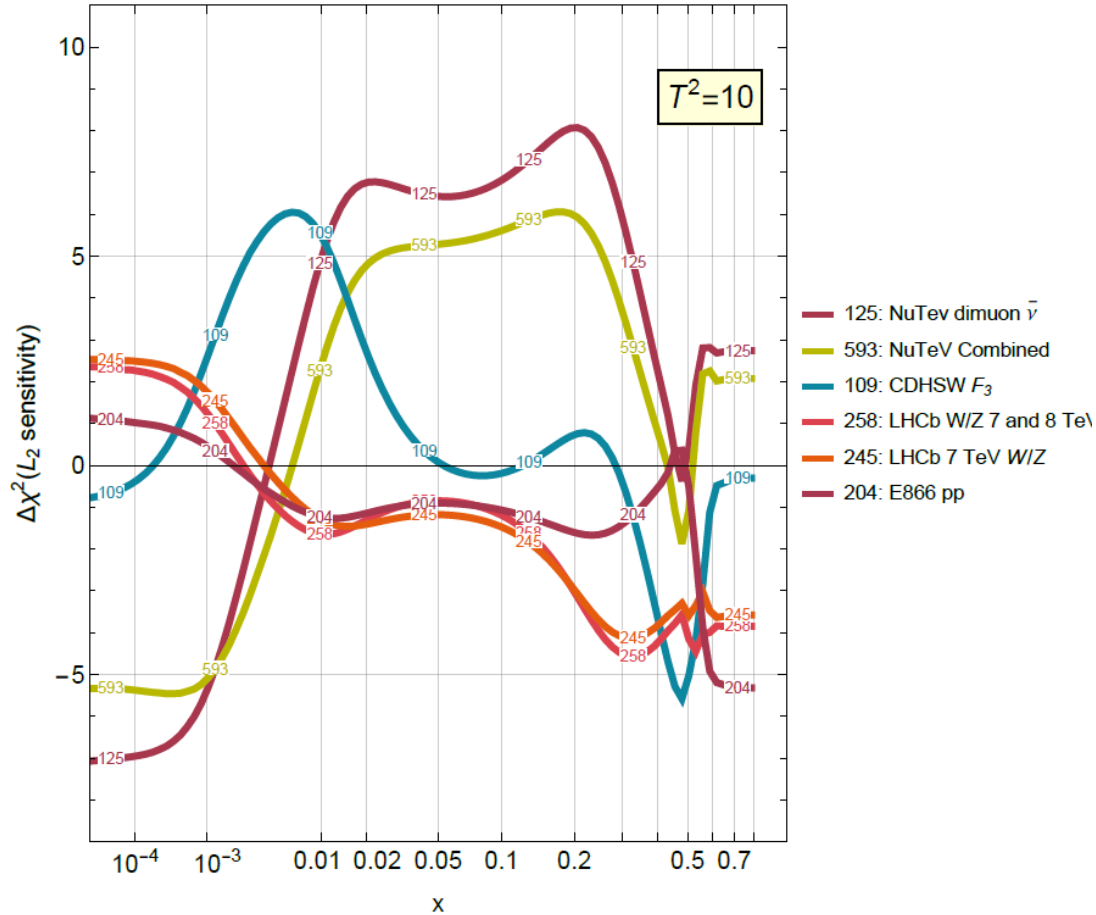
$$\int_0^1 s_-(x) dx = 0$$



Sensitivity of experiments to the strangeness asymmetry

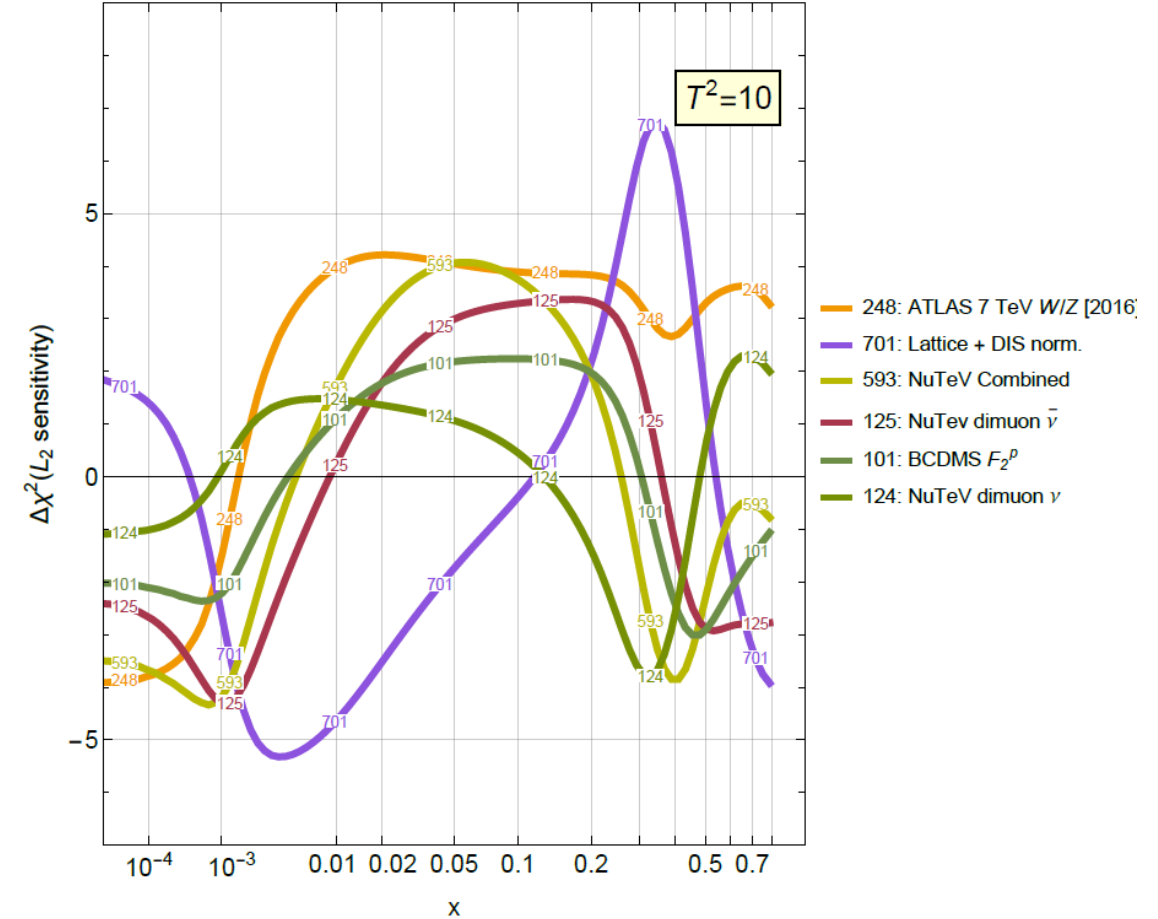
CT18As NNLO

$$(s(x,Q) - \bar{s}(x,Q)) / (s(x,Q) + \bar{s}(x,Q))(x, 2 \text{ GeV})$$



CT18As_Lat NNLO

$$(s(x,Q) - \bar{s}(x,Q)) / (s(x,Q) + \bar{s}(x,Q))(x, 2 \text{ GeV})$$



Preference for $s - \bar{s} \neq 0$ at $x > 0.1$ emerges from competing χ^2 pulls of NuTeV dimuon, LHCb W/Z , BCDMS and E866 fixed-target cross sections. We estimated it using the L_2 sensitivity fast technique [T. Hobbs et al., arXiv:1904.00022]. The lattice prediction by R. Zhang et al., 2005.01124 is consistent with $s - \bar{s} = 0$ at $x > 0.3$.

New CT18 Fitted Charm analysis

moments of the FC PDFs often used to characterize magnitude, asymmetry

$$\langle x^n \rangle_{c^\pm} = \int_0^1 dx x^n (c \pm \bar{c})[x, Q]$$

$$\langle x \rangle_{\text{FC}} \equiv \langle x \rangle_{c^+} [Q_0 = 1.27 \text{ GeV}] \quad \text{...at NNLO.}$$

$$= 0.0048^{+0.0063}_{-0.0043} \left({}^{+0.0090}_{-0.0048} \right), \text{ CT18 (BHPS3)}$$

$$= 0.0041^{+0.0049}_{-0.0041} \left({}^{+0.0091}_{-0.0041} \right), \text{ CT18X (BHPS3)}$$

$$= 0.0057^{+0.0048}_{-0.0045} \left({}^{+0.0084}_{-0.0057} \right), \text{ CT18 (MBMC)}$$

$$= 0.0061^{+0.0030}_{-0.0038} \left({}^{+0.0064}_{-0.0061} \right), \text{ CT18 (MBME)}$$

$$\Delta\chi^2 \leq 10$$

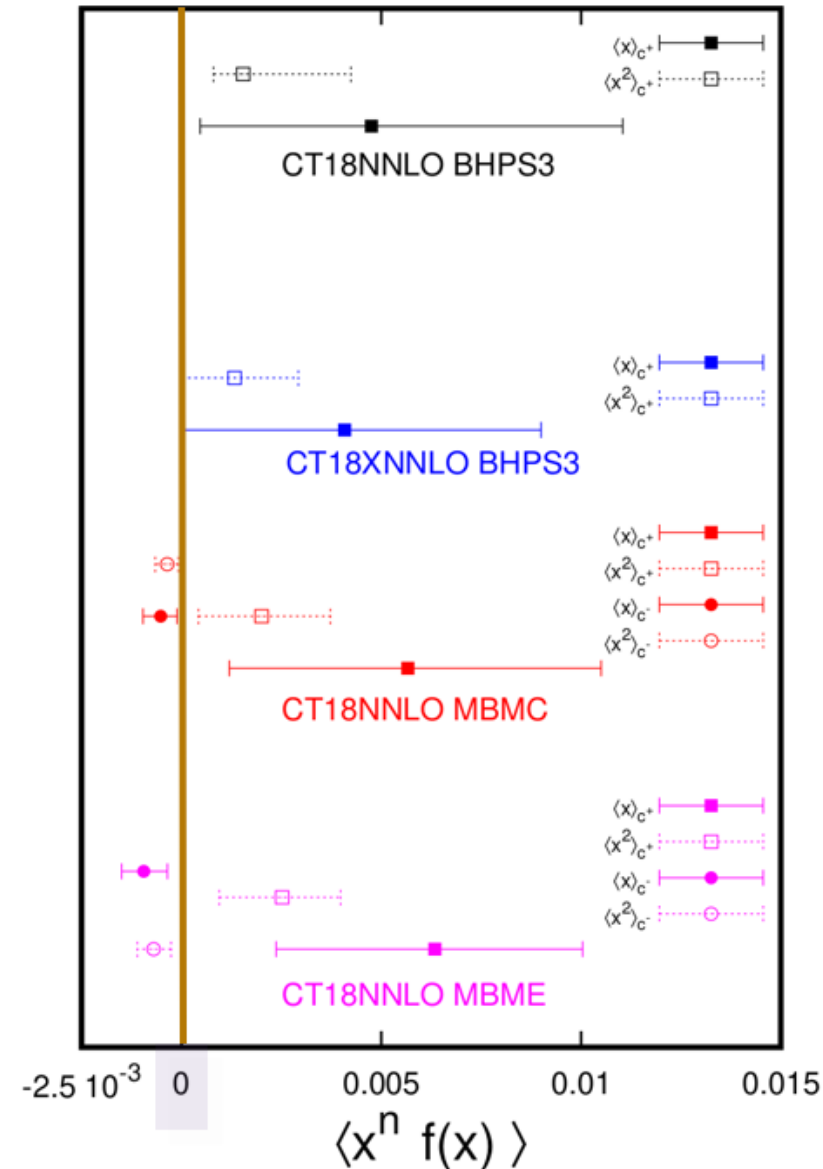
$$\Delta\chi^2 \leq 30$$

(restrictive tolerance)

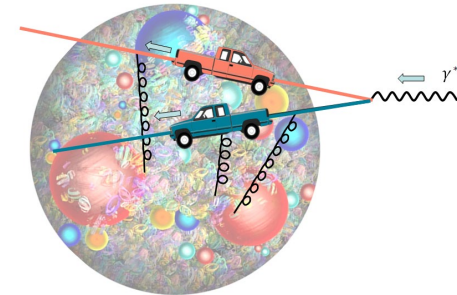
(~CT standard tolerance)

Nonperturbative charm moments $Q_0 = 1.27 \text{ GeV}$

Intervals of $\Delta\chi^2 < 10$



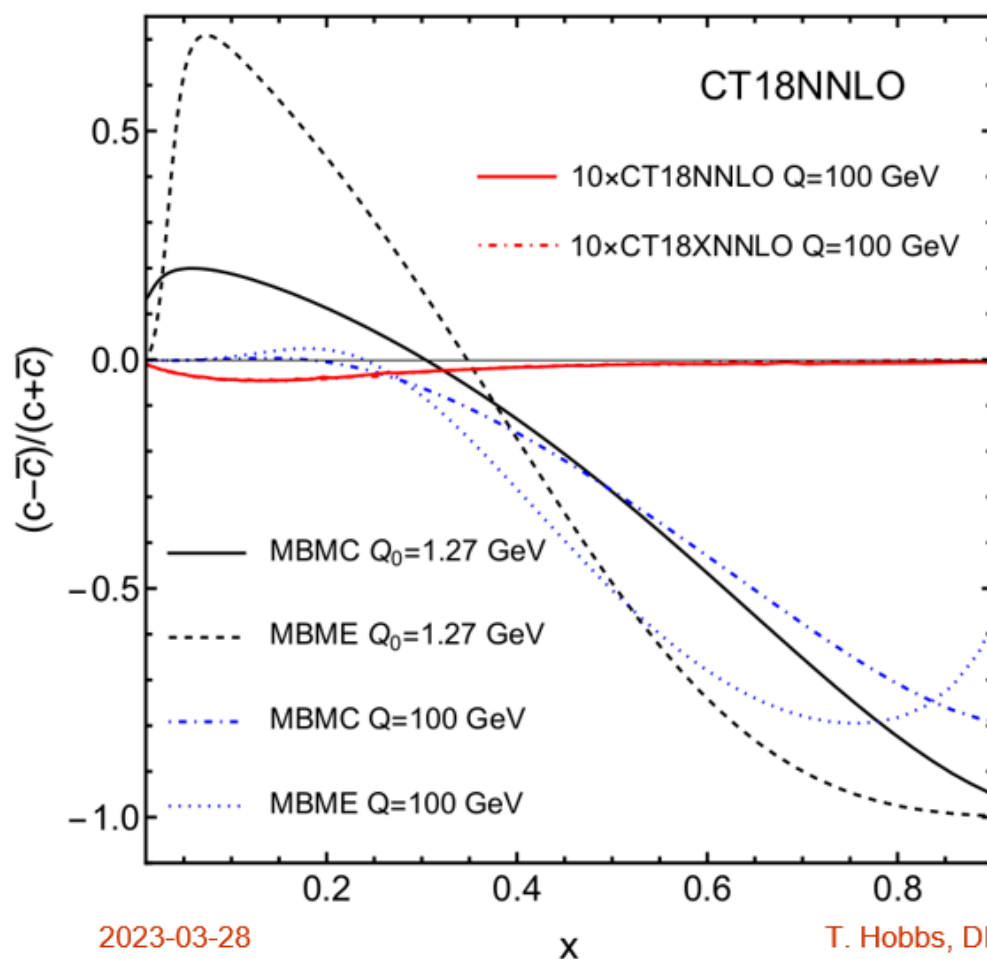
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possible charm-anticharm asymmetries

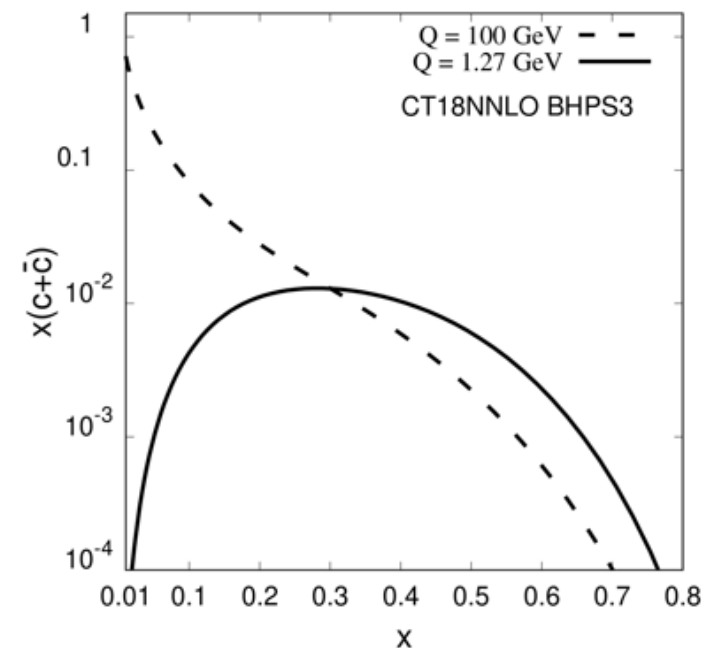
pQCD only very weakly breaks $c = \bar{c}$ through HO corrections

- large(r) charm asymmetry would signal nonpert dynamics, IC
- MBM breaks $c = \bar{c}$ through hadronic interactions



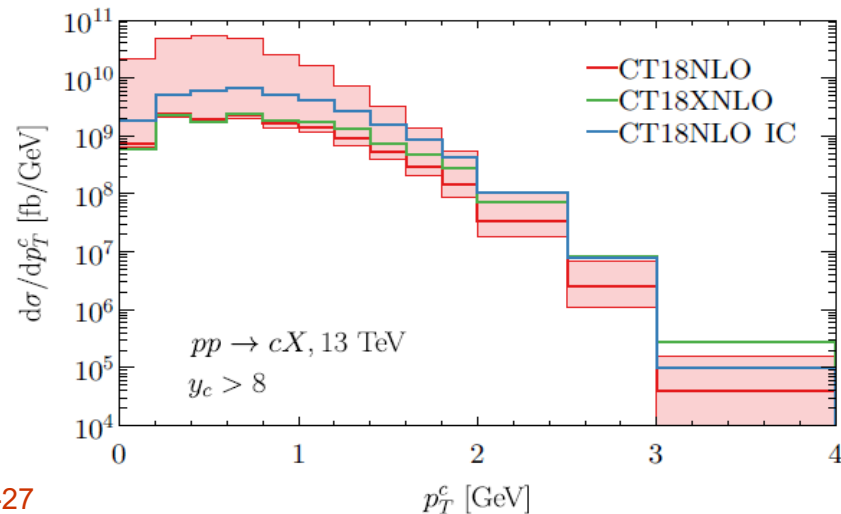
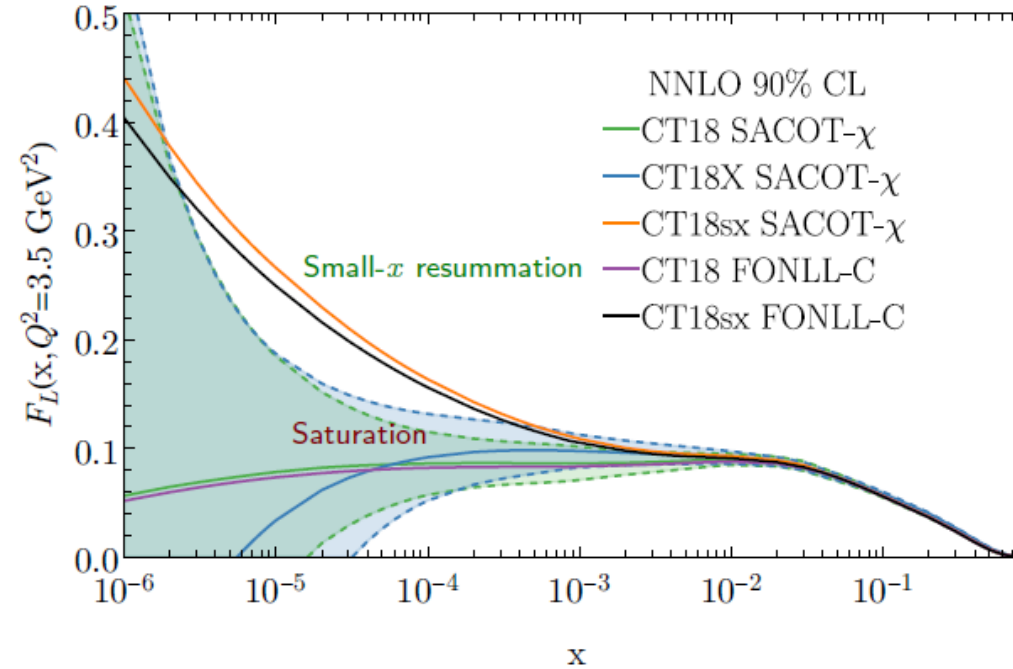
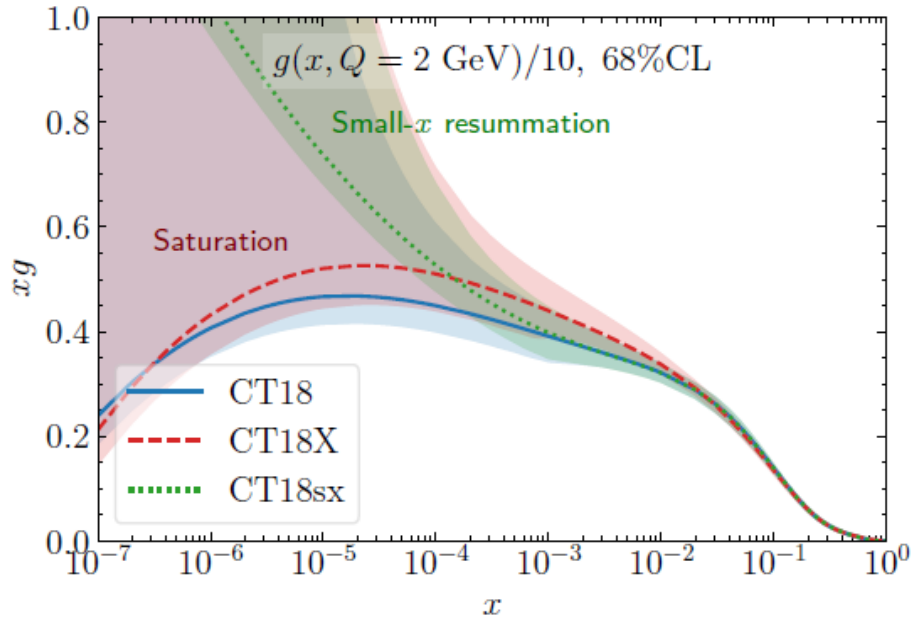
consider two MBM models as **examples** (not predictions)

- asym. small but ratio (left) can be bigger; will be hard to extract from data



Small- x dynamics in CTEQ-TEA PDFs

K. Xie, WG2



- Both the BFKL resummation (CT18sx) and saturation (CT18X) models improve the description of HERA DIS data, which enhances gluon PDF at small x and low Q^2 .
- F_L at $x \rightarrow 0$ is enhanced (stays \approx constant) with resummation (saturation) models.
- Forward charm production at CERN FPF gets large uncertainty from small- x dynamics.

CT18 NNLO high-energy neutrino DIS cross sections from 10^2 to 10^7 GeV

K. Xie et al., arXiv:[2303.13607](https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.13607)

D. Stump, WG3

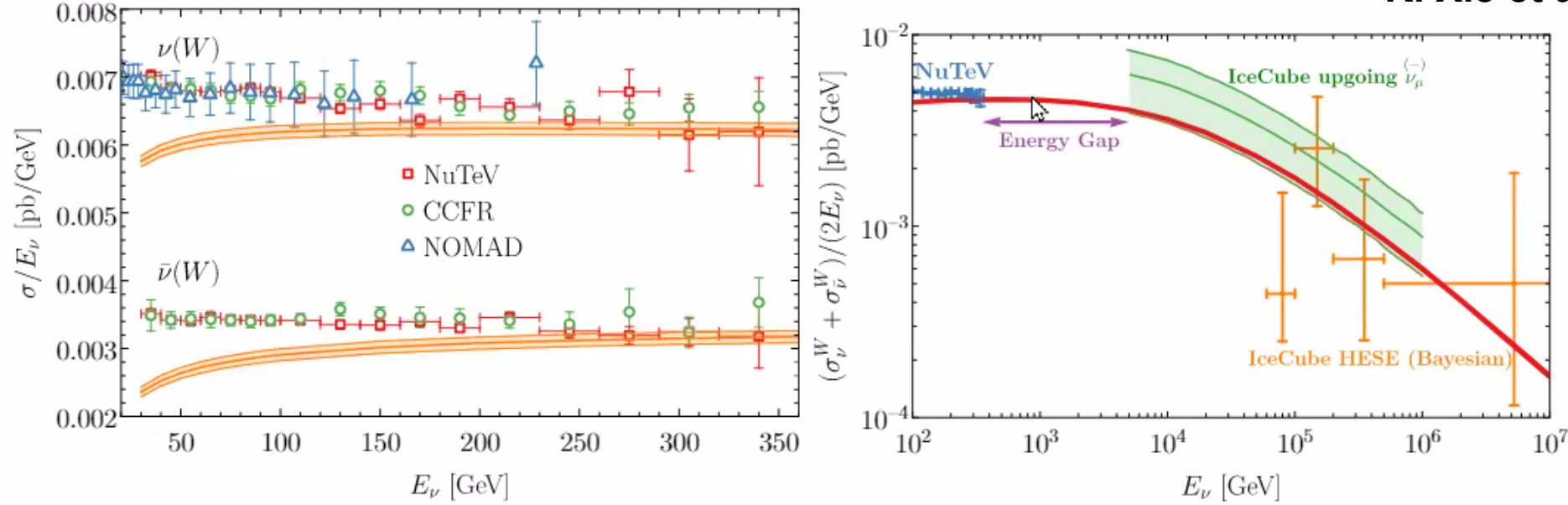


FIG. 20. Left: The CT18 predictions for the neutrino-isoscalar charged-current cross sections divided by the (anti)neutrino energy, σ/E_ν , in comparison with data measured at accelerator-based experiments [88–90]. Right: The CT18 prediction of the averaged neutrino-isoscalar charged-current cross sections divided by neutrino energy in the energy gap ($360 \text{ GeV} \lesssim E_\nu \lesssim 6 \text{ TeV}$), which can be measured by the FASER and other FPFs at the LHC [15, 16]. We included cross sections below 360 GeV measured by NuTeV [88] and above 6.3 (60) TeV by IceCube upgoing $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ [9] (HESE Bayesian [10]) analyzes.

CTEQ-TEA global analysis of SMEFT

T. Hobbs, WG3

[J. Gao, MS Gao, T. Hobbs, DY Liu, XM Shen, 2211.01094]

- ◆ In search for **new physics** at hadron colliders, one key problem is of the **degeneracy** of PDF variations and the new physics contributions.



Described in the framework of **SMEFT**



Joint fits of PDFs and BSM parameters

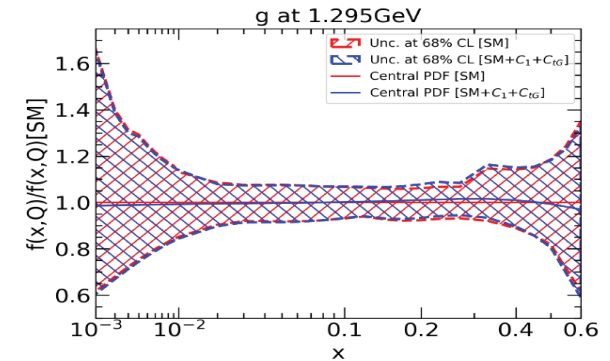
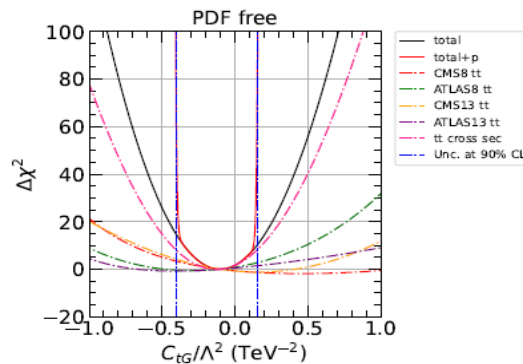
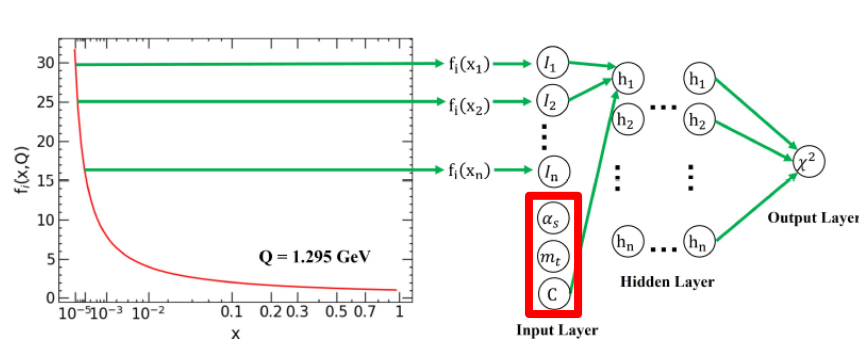
- ◆ We focus on several operators relevant for **top-quark pair** (O_{tu}^1 , O_{td}^1 , O_{tG} , O_{tq}^8) and **jet production** (O_1) at hadron colliders.

$$O_{tu}^1 = \sum_{i=1}^2 (\bar{t}\gamma_\mu t)(\bar{u}_i\gamma^\mu u_i), \quad O_{td}^1 = \sum_{i=1}^3 (\bar{t}\gamma_\mu t)(\bar{d}_i\gamma^\mu d_i),$$

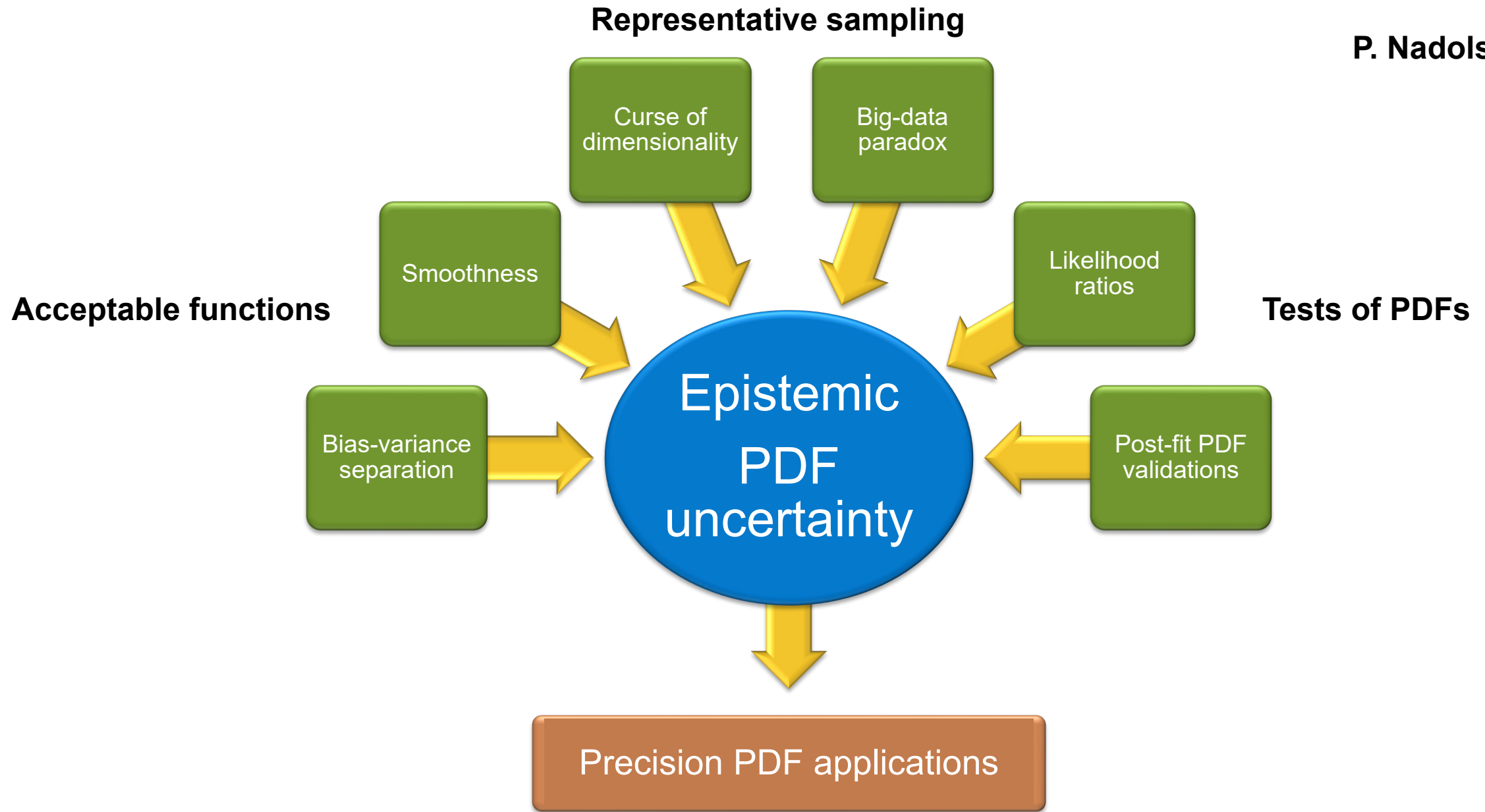
$$O_1 = 2\pi(\sum_{i=1}^3 \bar{q}_{Li}\gamma_\mu q_{Li})(\sum_{j=1}^3 \bar{q}_{Lj}\gamma^\mu q_{Lj})$$

$$O_{tG} = ig_s(\bar{Q}_{L,3}\tau^{\mu\nu}T^A t)\tilde{\phi}G_{\mu\nu}^A + \text{h.c.}, \quad O_{tq}^8 = \sum_{i=1}^2 (\bar{Q}_i\gamma_\mu T^A Q_i)(\bar{t}\gamma^\mu T^A t)$$

- ◆ We obtain self-consistent constraints on SMEFT with **Lagrange Multiplier** scans based on a **Neural Network** approach.



- ◆ We find mild correlations between the SMEFT Wilson coefficients, PDFs (e.g. the high-x gluon), and other QCD parameters.



Epistemic PDF uncertainty is important in W boson mass and α_s measurements

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PDF-Set	p_T^ℓ [MeV]	m_T [MeV]	combined [MeV]
CT10	$80355.6^{+15.8}_{-15.7}$	$80378.1^{+24.4}_{-24.8}$	$80355.8^{+15.7}_{-15.7}$
CT14	$80358.0^{+16.3}_{-16.3}$	$80388.8^{+25.2}_{-25.5}$	$80358.4^{+16.3}_{-16.3}$
CT18	$80360.1^{+16.3}_{-16.3}$	$80382.2^{+25.3}_{-25.3}$	$80360.4^{+16.3}_{-16.3}$
MMHT2014	$80360.3^{+15.9}_{-15.9}$	$80386.2^{+23.9}_{-24.4}$	$80361.0^{+15.9}_{-15.9}$
MSHT20	$80358.9^{+13.0}_{-16.3}$	$80379.4^{+24.6}_{-25.1}$	$80356.3^{+14.6}_{-14.6}$
NNPDF3.1	$80344.7^{+15.6}_{-15.5}$	$80354.3^{+23.6}_{-23.7}$	$80345.0^{+15.5}_{-15.5}$
NNPDF4.0	$80342.2^{+15.3}_{-15.3}$	$80354.3^{+22.3}_{-22.4}$	$80342.9^{+15.3}_{-15.3}$

Table 2: Overview of fitted values of the W boson mass for different PDF sets. The reported uncertainties are the total uncertainties.

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The statistical analysis for the determination of $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ is performed with the xFitter framework [60]. The value of $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ is determined by minimising a χ^2 function which includes both the experimental uncertainties and the theoretical uncertainties arising from PDF variations:

$$\chi^2(\beta_{\text{exp}}, \beta_{\text{th}}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{data}}} \frac{\left(\sigma_i^{\text{exp}} + \sum_j \Gamma_{ij}^{\text{exp}} \beta_{j,\text{exp}} - \sigma_i^{\text{th}} - \sum_k \Gamma_{ik}^{\text{th}} \beta_{k,\text{th}} \right)^2}{\Delta_i^2} + \sum_j \beta_{j,\text{exp}}^2 + \sum_k \beta_{k,\text{th}}^2. \quad (1)$$

profiling of CT and MSHT PDFs requires to include a tolerance factor $T^2 > 10$ as in the ePump code

[T.J. Hou et al., [1912.10053](#), Appendix F]

Collaborations with other groups

Snowmass'21 whitepaper: Proton structure at the precision frontier

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A summary of recent trends in the global analysis of proton PDFs

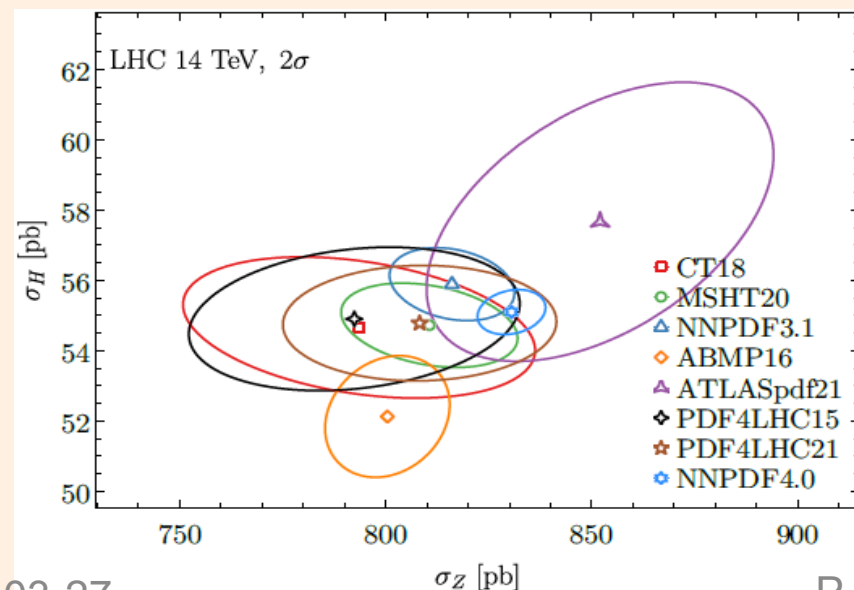
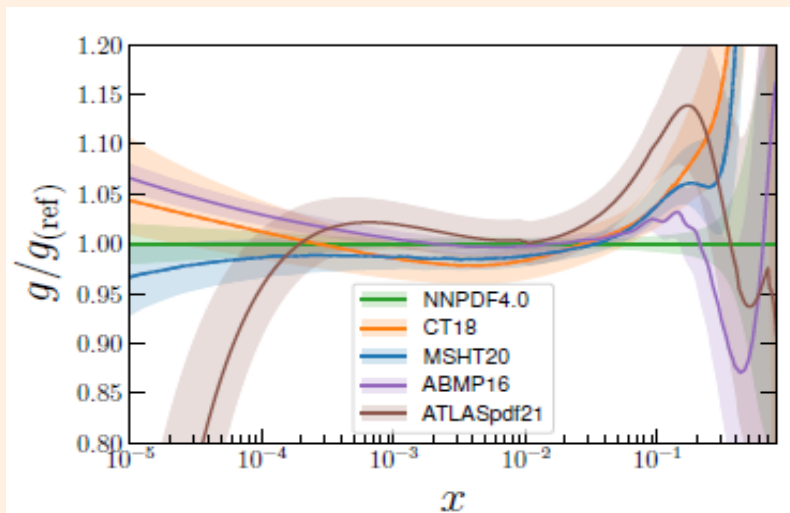
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 - Theoretical uncertainties in PDF fits
 - Machine learning/AI connections
5. Delivery of PDFs; PDF ensemble correlations in critical applications
6. PDFs and QCD coupling strength on the lattice
7. Nuclear, meson, transverse-momentum dependent PDFs
8. Public PDF fitting codes
9. Fast (N)NLO interfaces
10. PDF4LHC21 recommendation and PDF4LHC21 PDFs for the LHC analyses



Progress in PDF analysis

The current status

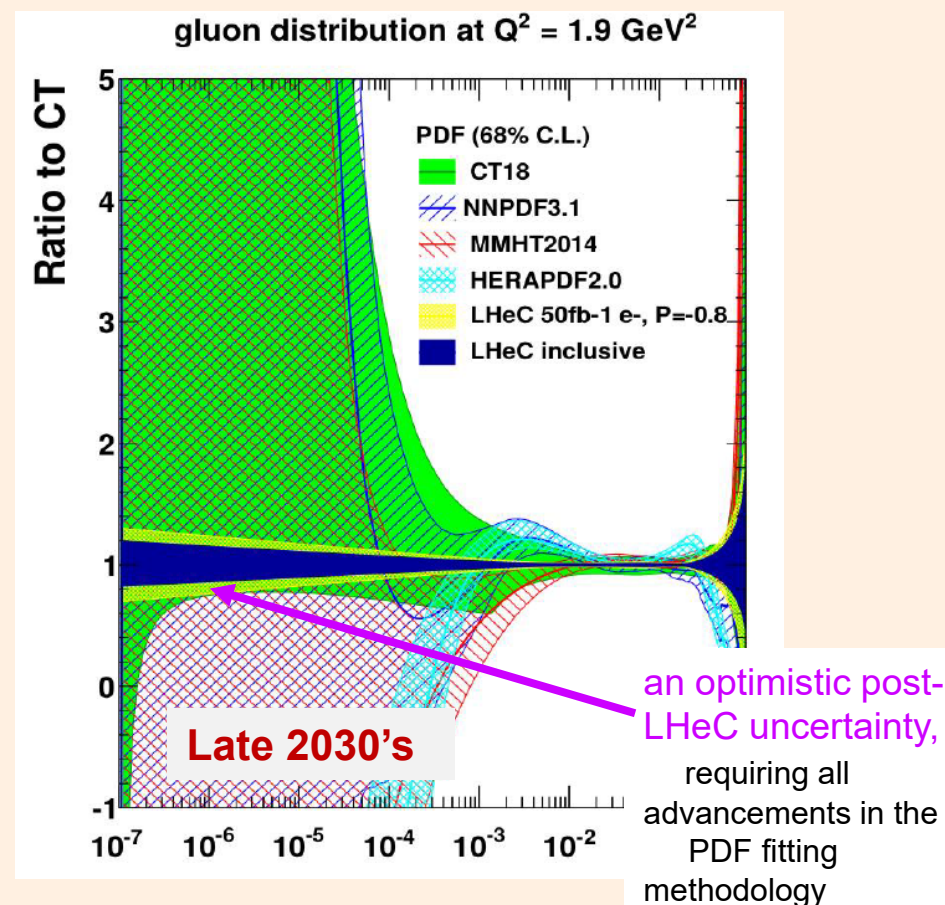
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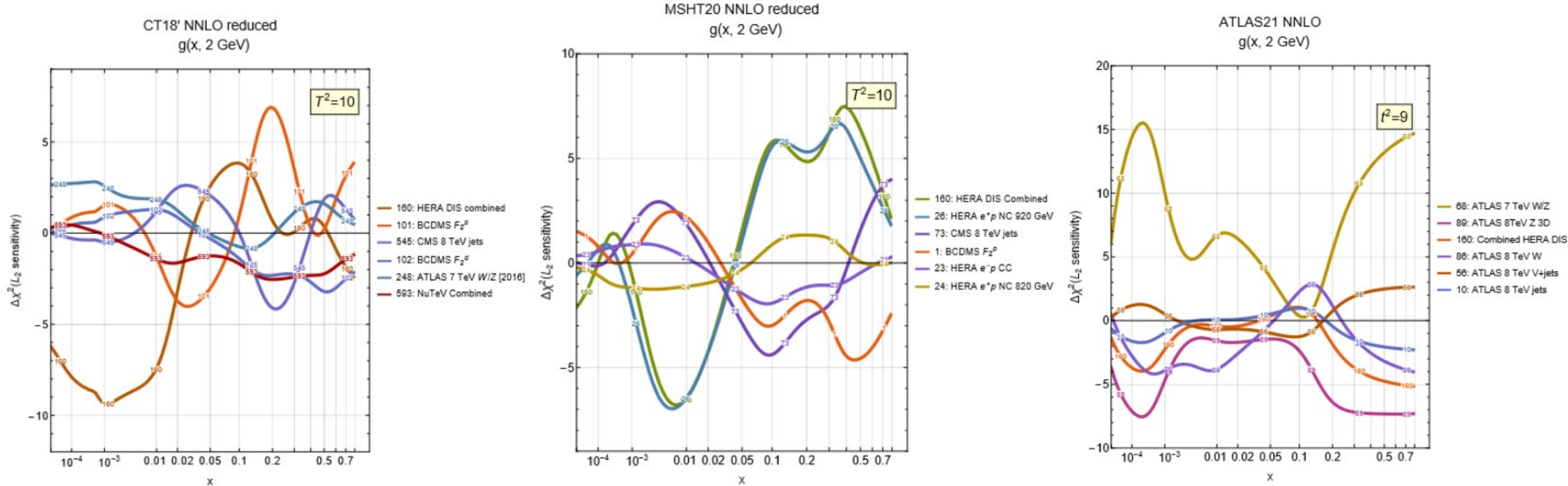
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...and future prospects



An ATLAS, CTEQ-TEA, and MSHT comparative study of NNLO PDF sensitivities

Preview



- Comparisons of strengths of constraints from individual data sets in 8 PDF analyses using the common L_2 sensitivity metric
- An interactive website to plot such comparisons [2070 figures in total]

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