

# The JAM fits of polarized PDFs

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Parallel effort to our unpolarized PDFs: CJ and JR

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# The JAM database


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Public database with all data on polarized scattering experiments (DIS for now)



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Experiment	Description
COMPASS	proton and deuteron A1, g1
EMC	proton A1, g1
HERMES	proton, deuteron, and 3He A_par, neutron A1
HERMES2012	proton A2 and g2
JLab Hall A (E01-012)	3He A_par, A1, g1
JLab Hall A (E97-103)	3He (and neutron) asymmetries, g1, g2
JLab Hall A (E99-117)	3He (and neutron) asymmetries, g1, g2
JLab Hall B (EG1b)	proton and deuteron A1
JLab Hall C (E01-006 "RSS")	proton and deuteron A_par and A_perp (resonance region)
SLAC E142	3He A1, A2, g1, g2
SLAC E143	proton and deuteron A_par, A_perp
SLAC E154	3He A_par, A_perp
SLAC E155	proton and deuteron A1, A2, g1, g2
SLAC E155x	proton and deuteron A2, g2
SLAC E80/E130	proton A_par
SMC	proton and deuteron A1, g1

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# Data and theory comparison with other groups

	DIS	SIDIS	hadron collider	nuclear smearing	TMCs	HT $g_1$	HT $g_2$
<b>DSSV 09</b>	✓	✓	✓				
<b>AAC 09</b>	✓		✓				
<b>BB 10</b>	✓				✓	✓	~
<b>LSS 10</b>	✓	✓			✓	✓	
<b>NNPDF 13</b>	✓				✓		
<b>JAM 13</b>	✓		( $\pi^0$ in 2014)	✓	✓	✓	✓

Presently concentrating on DIS theoretical description

Long-term objective: tick all the boxes (include SIDIS and collider data)

# Current status of polarized PDFs

Worse known than the unpolarized

$$\Delta u^+ = \Delta u + \Delta \bar{u} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\Delta d^+ = \Delta d + \Delta \bar{d} \quad \text{best known}$$

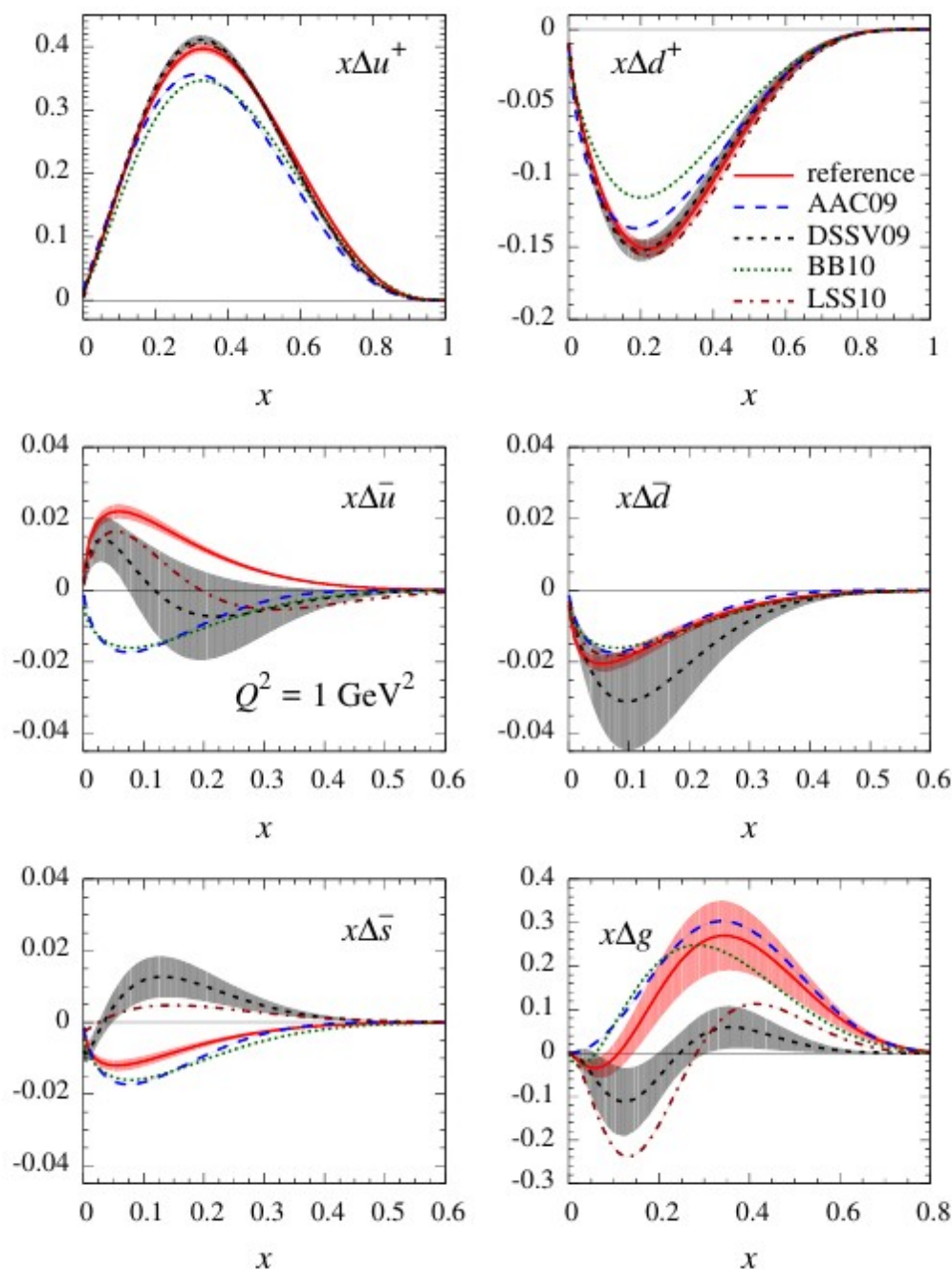
Sea distributions  $\Delta \bar{u}$ ,  $\Delta \bar{d}$ ,  $\Delta \bar{s}$   
do not enter in DIS asymmetries

$\Delta g$  less known, determined mainly  
from RHIC data (also COMPASS)

## NOTES:

**Red:** JAM reference (LT, no corrections)

Updated DSSV gluon in arXiv:1404.4293





# Data considered at this (first) stage

World data on polarized DIS  
(for  $Q^2 \geq 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ ,  $W^2 \geq 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

Mainly using *measured* asymmetries:

$$A_{||} = D(A_1 + \eta A_2)$$

$$A_{\perp} = d(A_2 - \xi A_1)$$

Note:  $D, d$  depend on

$$R = \frac{F_L}{(1 + \gamma^2)F_2 - F_L} \qquad \gamma^2 = 4 \frac{M^2}{Q^2} x^2$$

→ We *consistently* develop our own  
Unpolarized analysis in parallel (JR)

Impact of high-statistics data  
from JLab is being analyzed

experiment	reference	observable	target	$N_{\text{data}}$	$\chi^2(\text{LT})/N_{\text{dat}}$	$\chi^2(\text{JAM})/N_{\text{dat}}$
EMC	[1]	$A_1$	$p$	10	0.42	0.39
SMC	[30]	$A_1$	$p$	12	0.36	0.36
	[30]	$A_1$	$d$	12	1.59	1.66
	[31]	$A_1$	$p$	8	1.37	1.35
	[31]	$A_1$	$d$	8	0.54	0.56
COMPASS	[32]	$A_1$	$p$	15	0.95	0.97
	[33]	$A_1$	$d$	15	0.57	0.51
SLAC E80/E130	[34]	$A_{  }$	$p$	23	0.52	0.54
SLAC E142	[35]	$A_1$	$^3\text{He}$	8	0.58	0.70
	[35]	$A_2$	$^3\text{He}$	8	0.70	0.70
SLAC E143	[36]	$A_{  }$	$p$	85	0.85	0.81
	[36]	$A_{\perp}$	$p$	48	0.95	0.91
	[36]	$A_{  }$	$d$	85	1.05	0.85
	[36]	$A_{\perp}$	$d$	48	0.92	0.91
SLAC E154	[37]	$A_{  }$	$^3\text{He}$	18	0.43	0.42
	[37]	$A_{\perp}$	$^3\text{He}$	18	1.00	1.00
SLAC E155	[38]	$A_{  }$	$p$	73	1.00	0.92
	[38, 39]	$A_{\perp}$	$p$	66	1.00	0.96
	[40]	$A_{  }$	$d$	73	0.98	0.97
	[39, 40]	$A_{\perp}$	$d$	66	1.51	1.49
SLAC E155x	[41]	$\bar{A}_{\perp}$	$p$	117	2.17	1.64
	[41]	$\bar{A}_{\perp}$	$d$	117	0.90	0.84
HERMES	[42]	$A_{  }$	$p$	37	0.38	0.39
	[42]	$A_{  }$	$d$	37	0.86	0.85
	[43]	$A_1$	"n"	9	0.29	0.30
	[44]	$A_2$	$p$	20	1.07	1.16
JLab E99-117	[45]	$A_{  }$	$^3\text{He}$	3	0.62	0.06
	[45]	$A_{\perp}$	$^3\text{He}$	3	1.08	0.87
COMPASS	[49]	$\Delta g/g$	$p$	1	5.27	2.71
total				1043	1.07	0.98
JLab E97-103*	[46]	$A_{  }$	$^3\text{He}$	2	—	—
	[46]	$A_{\perp}$	$^3\text{He}$	2	—	—
JLab EG1b* (prelim.)	[48]	$A_1$	$p$	766	—	—
	[48]	$A_1$	$d$	767	—	—

Jlab EG1-dvcs:  $g_1/F_1$  fresh from the web arXiv:1404.6231

# Unpolarized PDF fits with large- $x$ corrections

- Unpolarized PDF needed to calculate denominators of helicity asymmetries
- Fits developed in parallel to JAM; similar philosophy, focus

→ **CJ12** [CTEQ-JLab] – *Owens, Accardi, Melnitchouk*  
*PRD87 (2013) 094012*

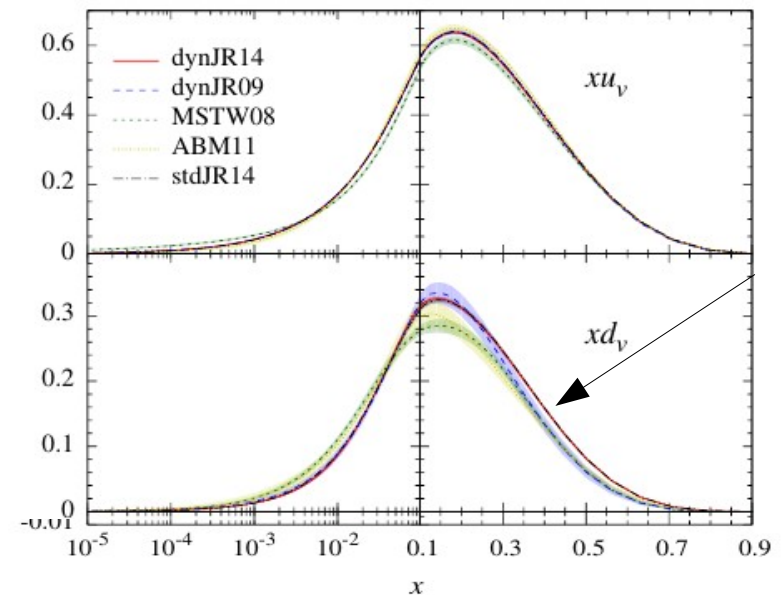
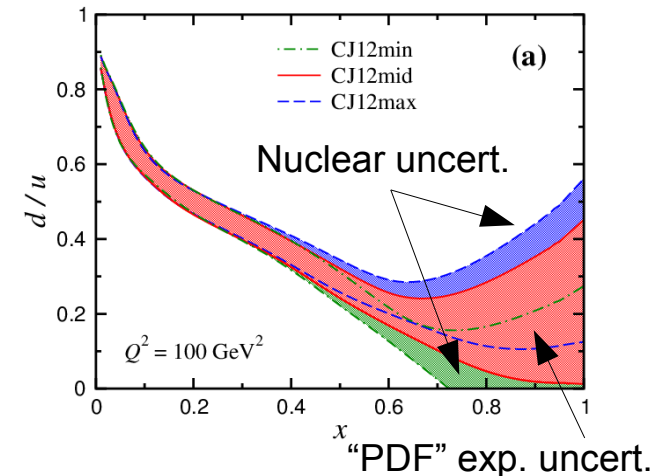
- HT, TMCs
- Nuclear, off-shell corrections
- Nuclear uncertainties quantified

→ **JR14** – *Jimenez-Delgado, Reya, arXiv:1403.1852*

- HT, TMCs
- Nuclear (Paris w.fn. only), off-shell
- Used in JAM fits

→ see also **ABM 12** –

*Alekhin, Bluemlein, Moch, PRD86 (2012) 054009*





# Underlying QCD description

Asymmetries from (un)polarized structure functions:

$$A_1 = (g_1 - \gamma^2 g_2) \frac{2x}{(1 + \gamma^2)F_2 - F_L} \quad A_2 = \gamma(g_1 + g_2) \frac{2x}{(1 + \gamma^2)F_2 - F_L}$$

Calculations and RGE evolution using Mellin *moments* (truncated solutions)

$$f(n) = \int_0^1 dx \, x^{n-1} f(x)$$

Leading-twist structure functions in OPE from NLO QCD computations:

$$g_1^{\tau=2}(n, Q^2) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{q, \bar{q}} e_q^2 (\Delta C_{qq}^1 \Delta q + \Delta C_g^1 \Delta g)$$

$$g_2^{\tau=2}(n, Q^2) = g_2^{WW} = -\frac{n-1}{n} g_1(n, Q^2) \quad [\text{Wandzura, Wilczek 77}]$$

# Parametrization

Only *two* independent combinations of **quark distributions** contribute:

$$x\Delta u^+(x, \mu_0^2) = N_u x^{a_u} (1-x)^{b_u} (1 + A_u \sqrt{x} + B_u x)$$

$$x\Delta d^+(x, \mu_0^2) = N_d x^{a_d} (1-x)^{b_d} (1 + A_d \sqrt{x} + B_d x) \quad \Delta q^+ \equiv \Delta q + \Delta \bar{q}$$

Constraints from hyperon decays relate  $N_u$  and  $N_d$  and fix  $N_s$

$$\int_0^1 (\Delta u^+ - \Delta d^+) dx = 1.269 \pm 0.003 \quad \int_0^1 (\Delta u^+ + \Delta d^+ - 2\Delta s^+) dx = 0.586 \pm 0.031$$

**Sea quarks** shape fixed by counting rules and imposing

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \Delta \bar{q} = 2 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \Delta q^+ \quad \frac{1}{2} \left( \left| \frac{\Delta \bar{q}^{(2)}}{\Delta \bar{s}^{(2)}} \right| + \left| \frac{\Delta \bar{s}^{(2)}}{\Delta \bar{q}^{(2)}} \right| \right) = 1 \pm 0.25$$

For the **gluons** we leave only  $N_g$  and  $B_g$  as free parameters

→ in practice current DIS data give only mild constraints

Nominally 13 (LT) + 14 (HT) = **27 parameters to be determined**

# Statistical estimation

Least-squares estimator with *complete treatment* of systematic uncertainties (equivalent to the correlation matrix approach) [CTEQ]:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{\Delta_i^2} \left( D_i + \sum_{j=1}^M r_j \Delta_{ji} - T_i \right)^2 + \sum_{j=1}^M r_j^2$$

Unfortunately most experiments do not provide enough information

Errors estimated with the *Hessian* approach (linear propagation, works well):

“Vicinity” of the minimum (tolerance) characterized by:

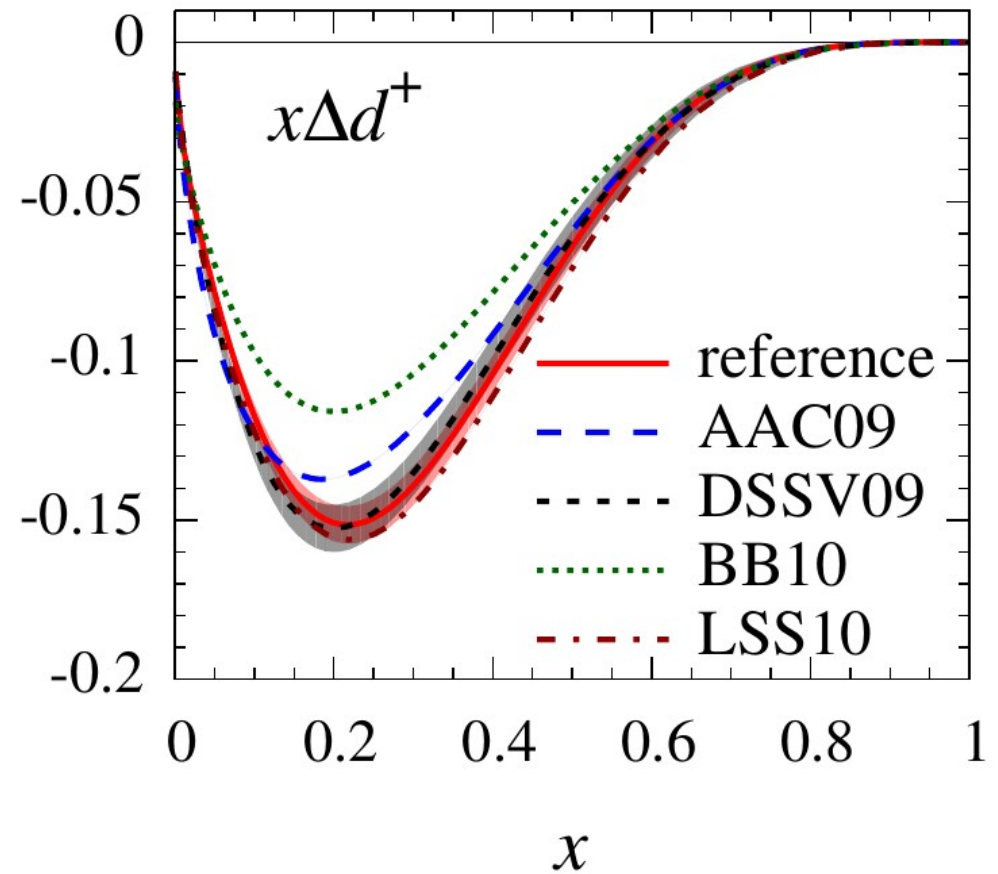
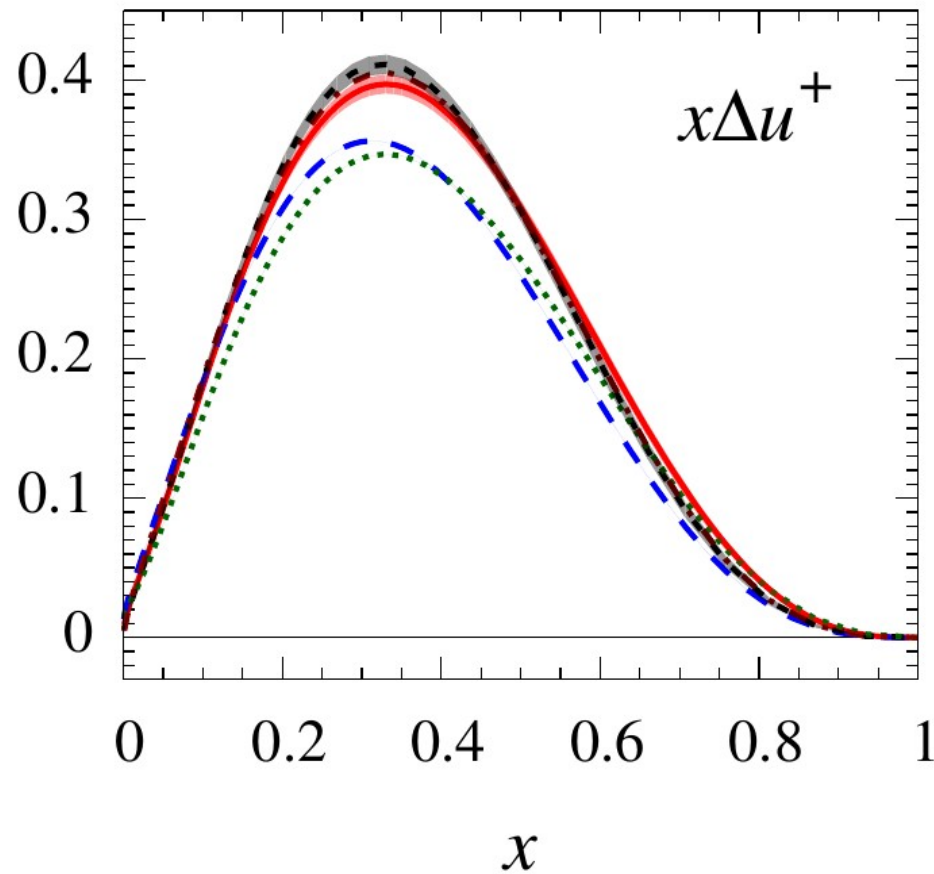
$$\Delta\chi^2 = \chi^2 - \chi_{min}^2 \leq T^2 = 1$$

# Simple fit without further corrections: REFERENCE

Nuclear targets treated within the “effective polarizations” approximation

$$g_1^d = (1 - \frac{3}{2}0.06)(g_1^p + g_1^n)$$

$$g_1^{He3} = 0.86 g_1^n - 0.059 g_1^p$$



**Baseline for assessing impact of theoretical corrections**

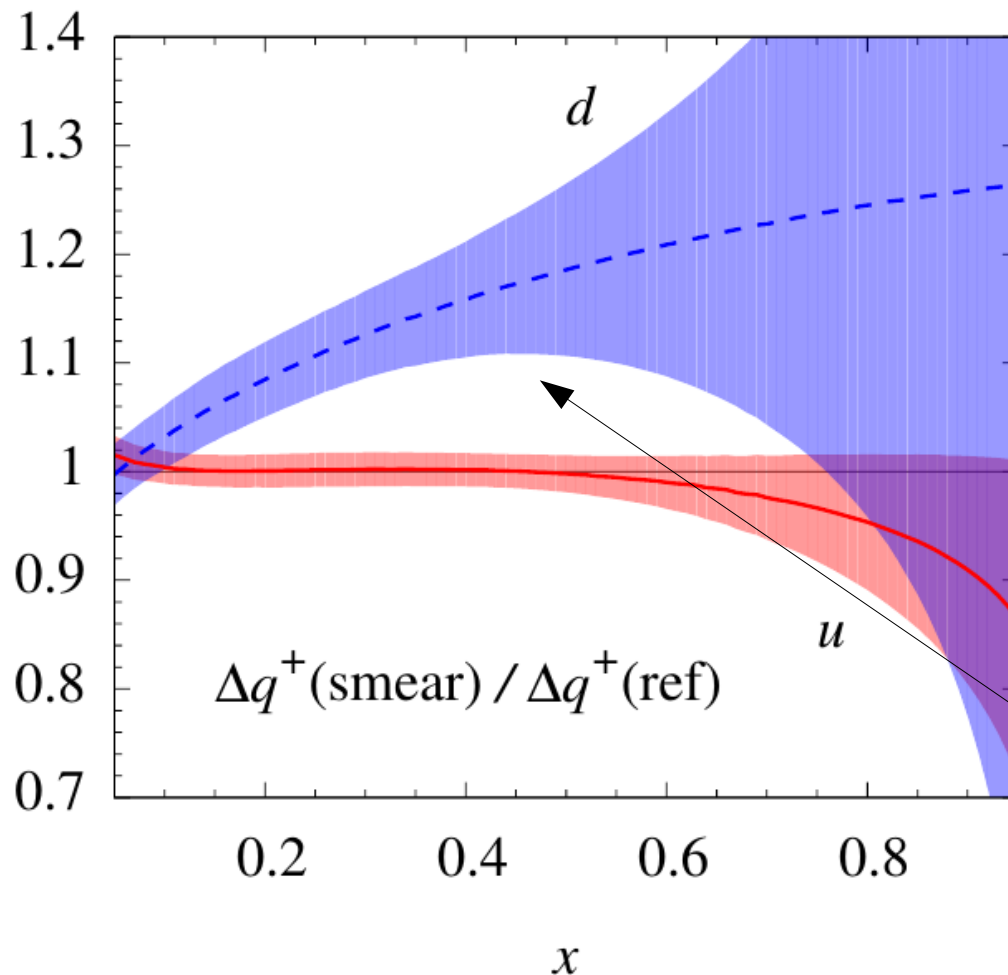
→ More similar to DSSV, LSS than to others

# Improved description of nuclear targets

Binding, Fermi motion included in “smearing” formalism [Kulagin, Petti 06]

→ smearing functions  $f_{jN}$  derived from nuclear spectral functions

$$g_i^A(x) = \sum_{\substack{j=1,2 \\ N=p,n}} \int dy f_{jN}(y, \gamma) g_j^N\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \quad \gamma^2 = 1 + 4\frac{M^2}{Q^2}x^2$$



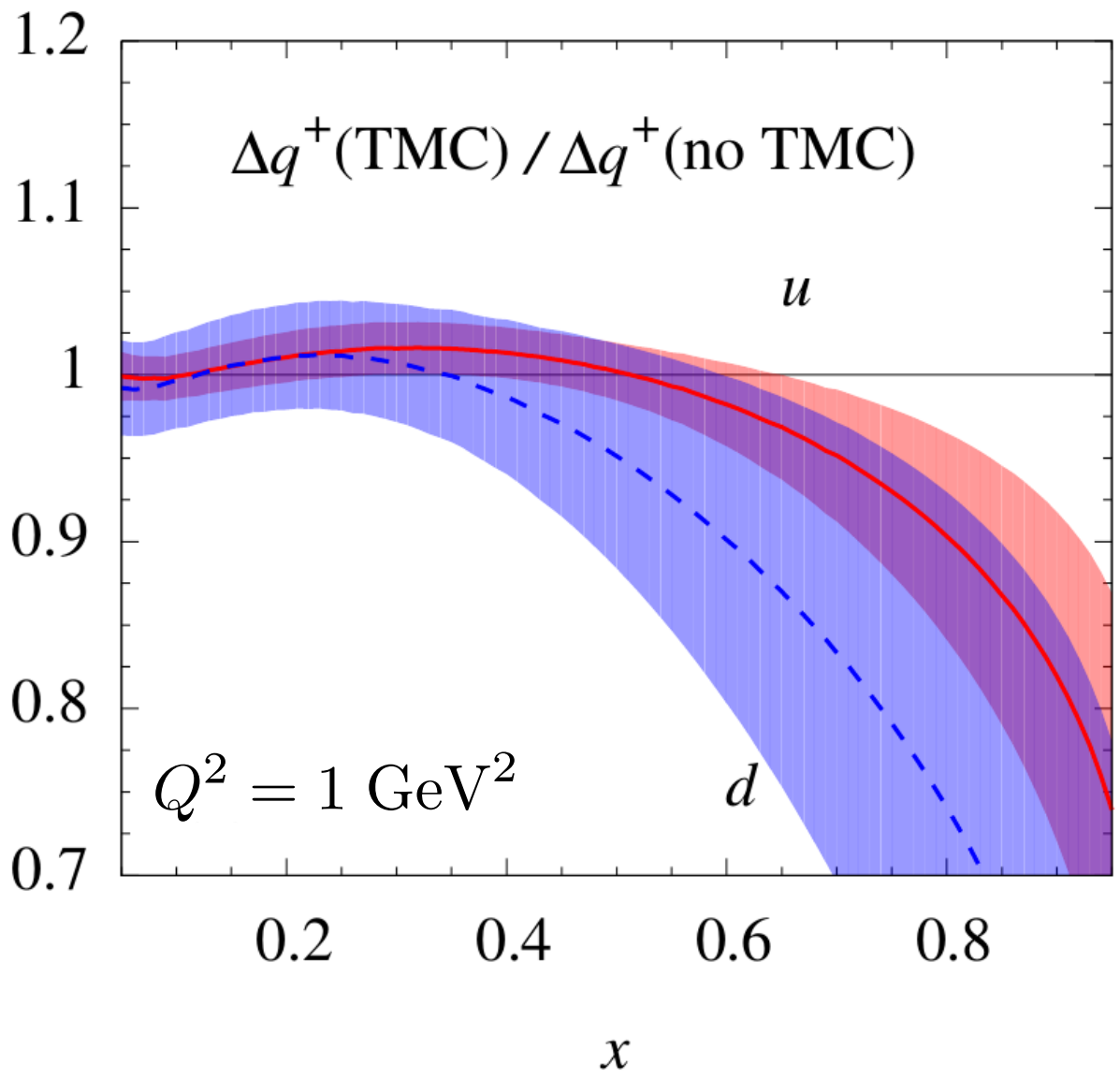
**Relevant for  $\Delta d$  in the medium- to large- $x$  region**

# Plus target-mass corrections

We use power corrections from finite target mass calculated in the OPE approach:

$$g_1^{\text{TMC}}(n) = g_1(n) + \frac{M^2}{Q^2} \frac{n^2(n+1)}{(n+2)^2} g_1(n+2) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{M^4}{Q^4}\right)$$

[Bluemlein, Tkabladze 99]



Note that the Wandzura-Wilzcek relation holds also after TMCs

**Relevant for both  $\Delta u$  and  $\Delta d$  at large- $x$**

Both nuclear and TMC corrections should be included in global fits



# Plus higher twist contributions

We consider also corrections from higher twist contributions:

$$g_1 = g_1^{\tau=2} + g_1^{\tau=3} + g_1^{\tau=4}$$

$$g_2 = g_2^{\tau=2} + g_2^{\tau=3}$$

where  $g_1^{\tau=3}$  depends on  $g_2^{\tau=3}$  [Bluemlein, Tkabladze 99]

$$g_1^{\tau=3}(x, Q^2) = 4x^2 \frac{M^2}{Q^2} \left( g_2^{\tau=3}(x, Q^2) - 2 \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} g_2^{\tau=3}(y, Q^2) \right)$$

Flexible phenomenological parametrization for  $g_2$  inspired by [Braun *et al.* 09]

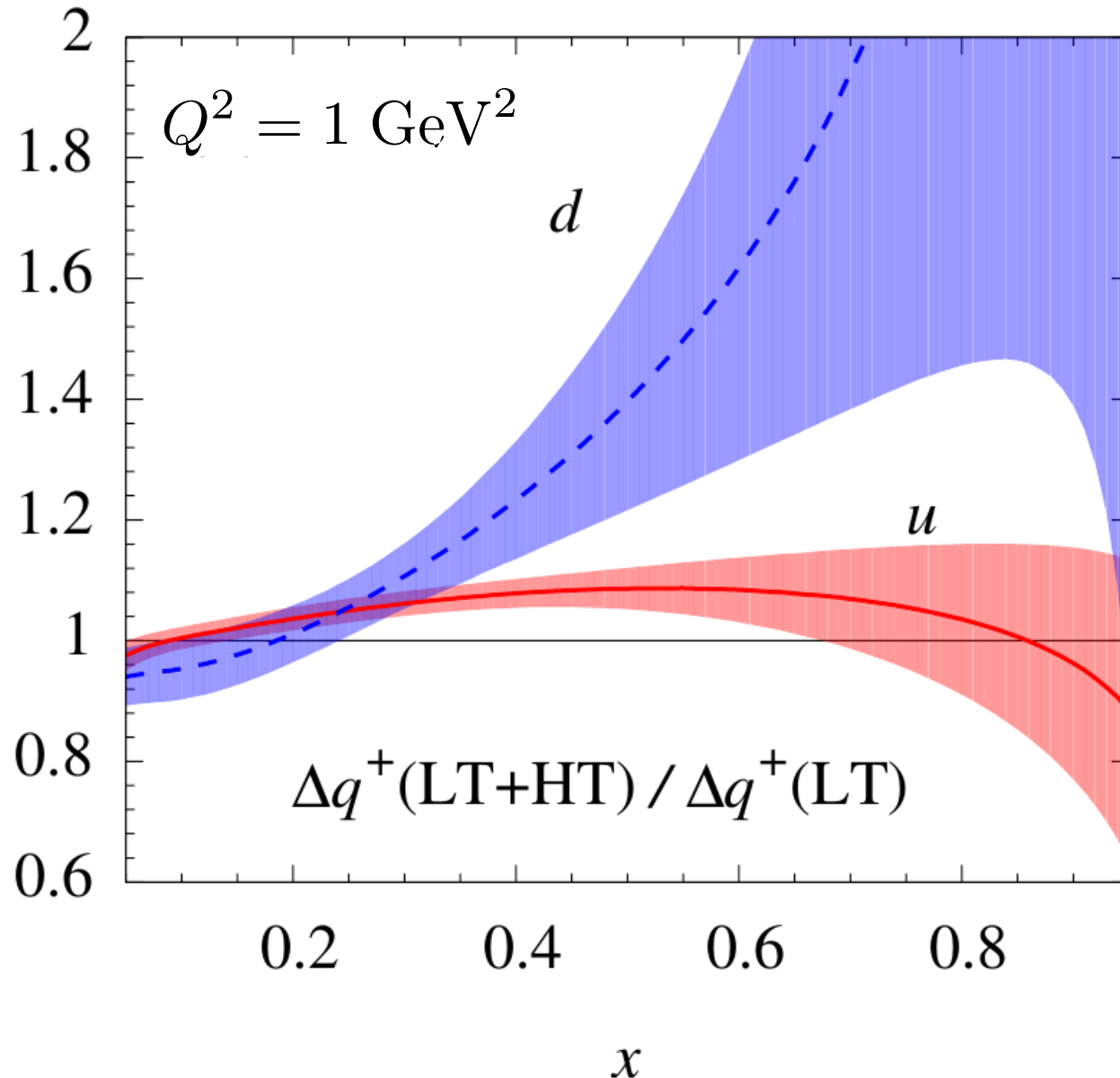
$$g_2^{\tau=3} = A[\ln x + (1-x) + \frac{1}{2}(1-x)^2] + (1-x)^3[B + C(1-x) + D(1-x)^2 + E(1-x)^3]$$

And a splines approximation for:  $g_1^{\tau=4} = \frac{h(x)}{Q^2}$

Possible scale dependence in  $h$  and  $g_2^{\tau=3}$  neglected compared to exp. errors

# Plus higher twist contributions

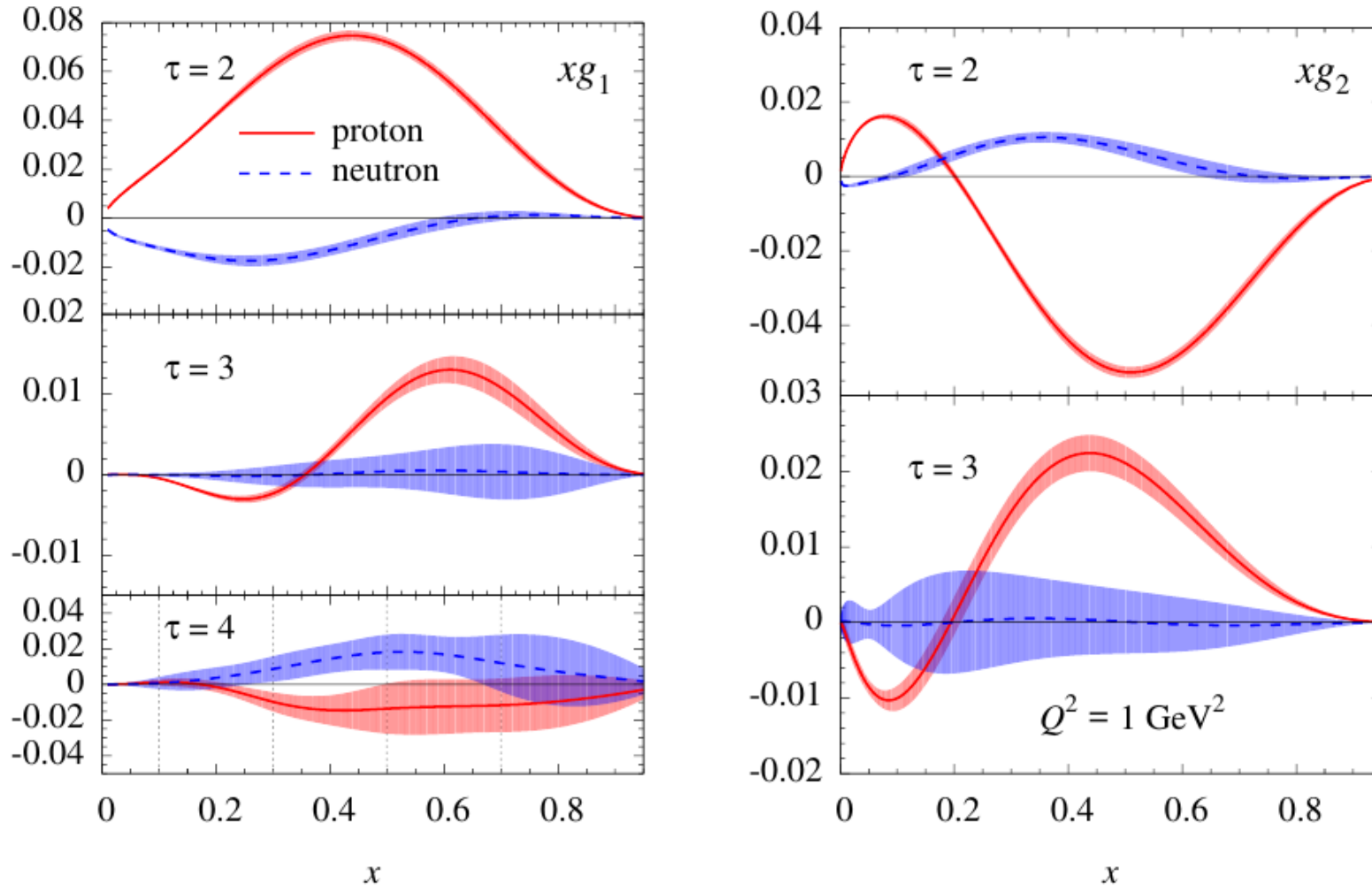
Considerable improvement of  $\chi^2$  for some sets (globally  $1.07 \rightarrow 0.98$ ,  $3\sigma$ )



**Very large changes in  $\Delta d$**

# Plus higher twist contributions

Possible to determine *simultaneously* higher-twist contributions for  $g_1$  and  $g_2$



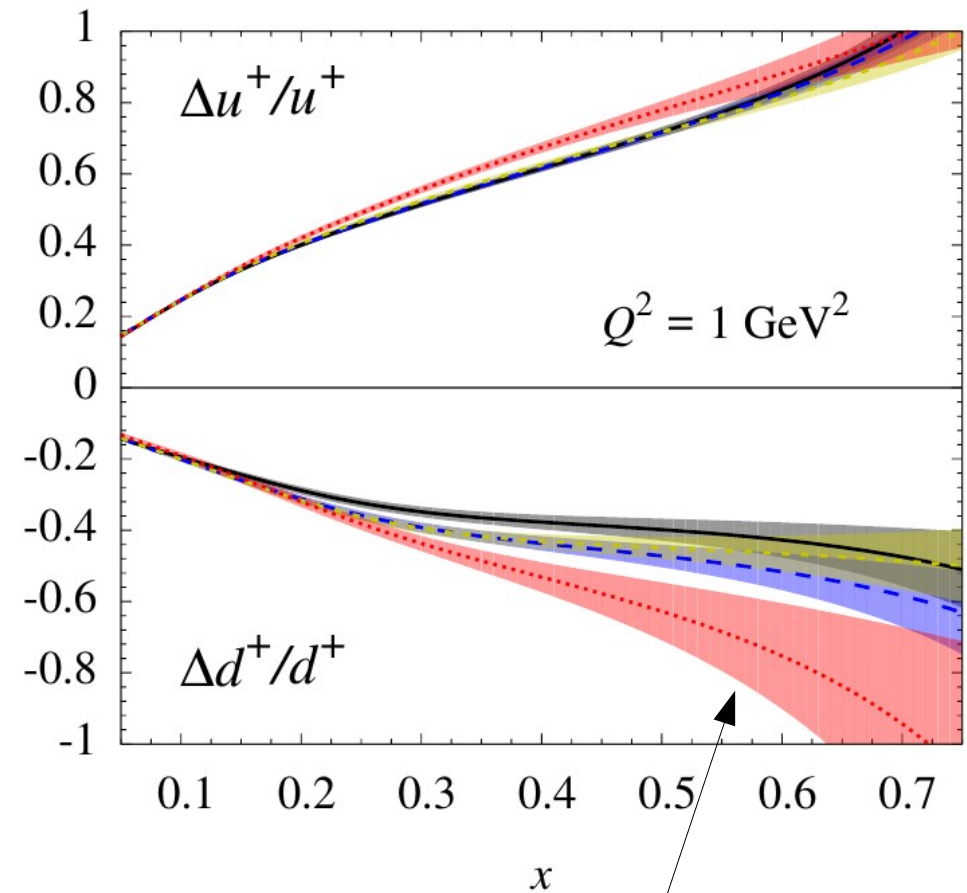
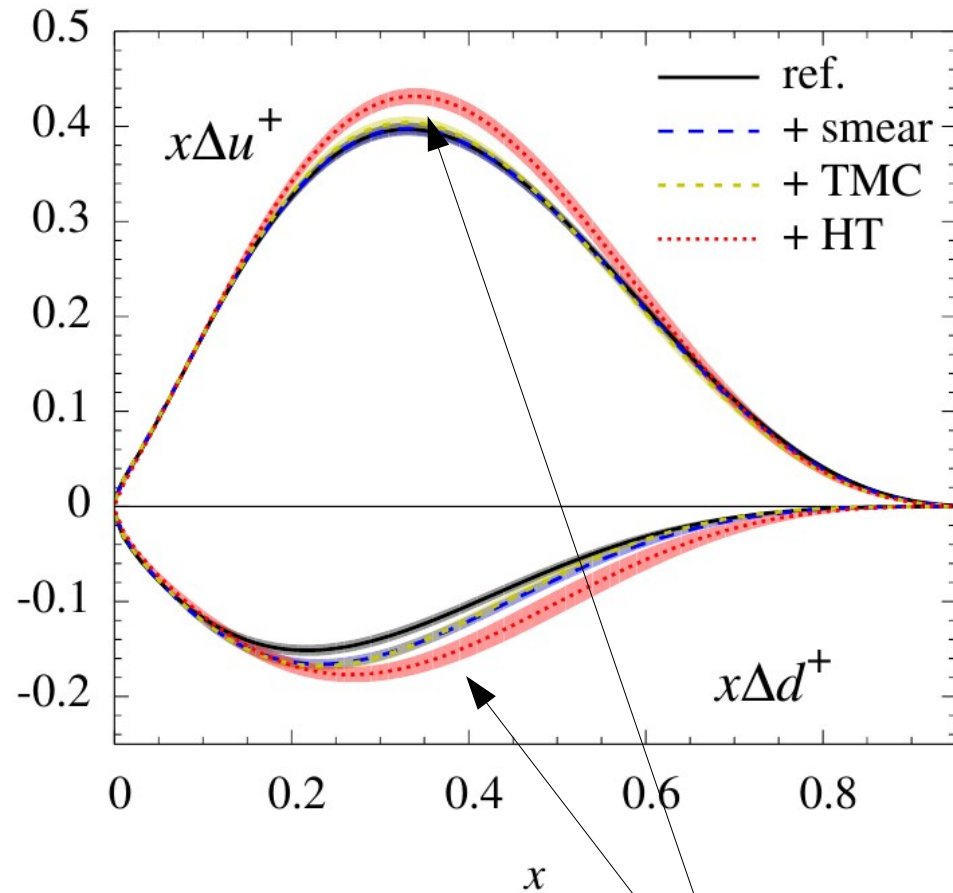
Qualitative agreement with previous (separated) determinations

→ [Leader, Sidorov, Stamenov 2010] on  $g_1$

→ [Accardi, Bacchetta, Melnitchouk, Schlegel 2009] [Bluemlein, Bottcher 2012] on  $g_2$

# Including all corrections: JAM13

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**Relevant for both  $\Delta u$  and  $\Delta d$**

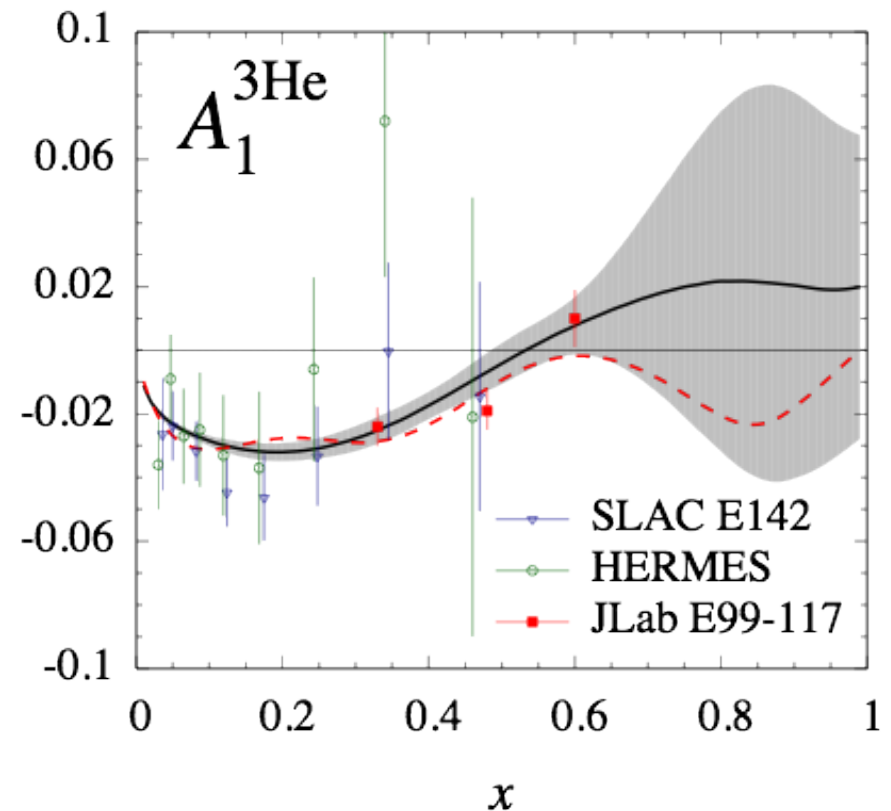
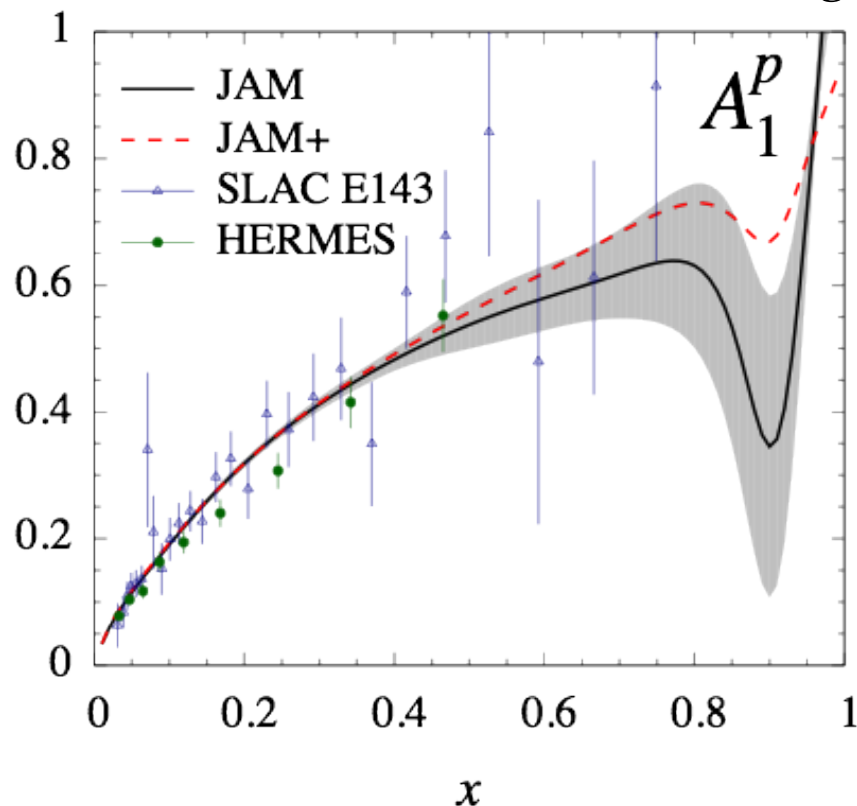
**HT contributions are manifestly important for current DIS data**

No trace of  $\Delta d/d \rightarrow 1$  at  $x \rightarrow 1$   
as expected in pQCD

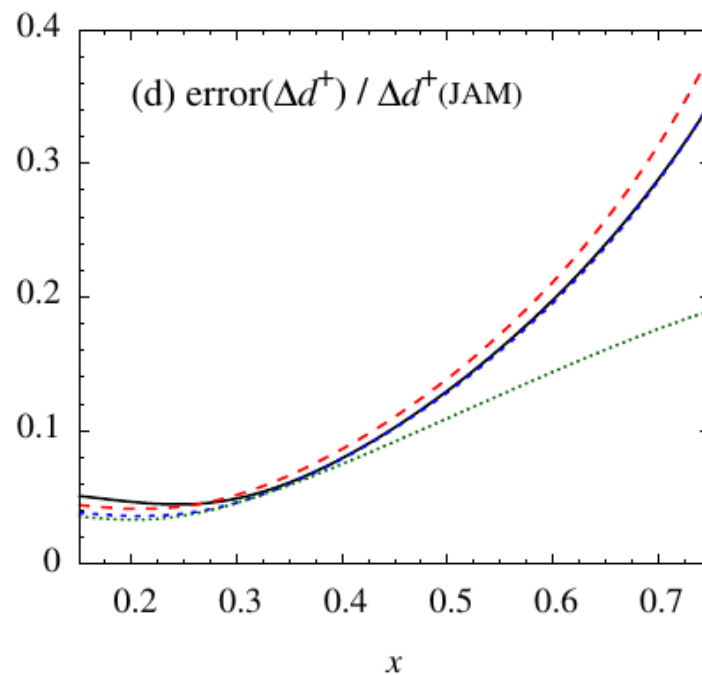
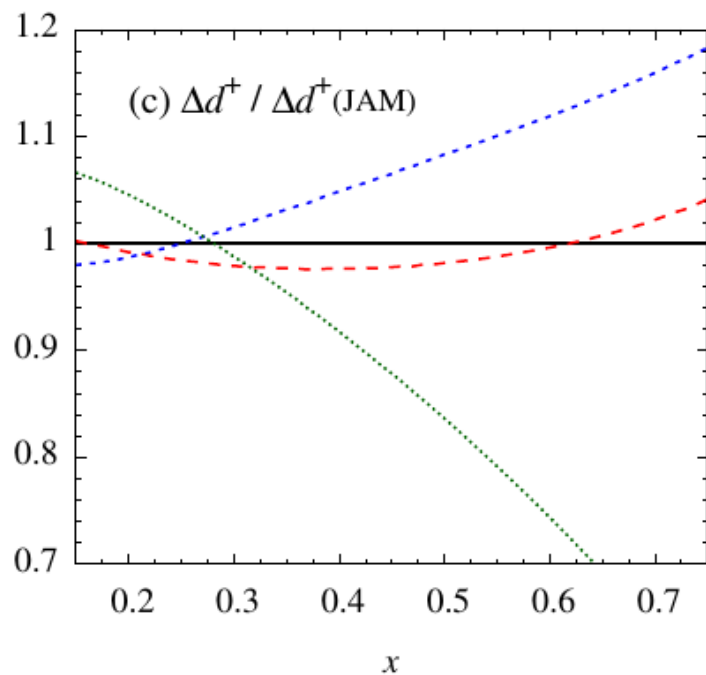
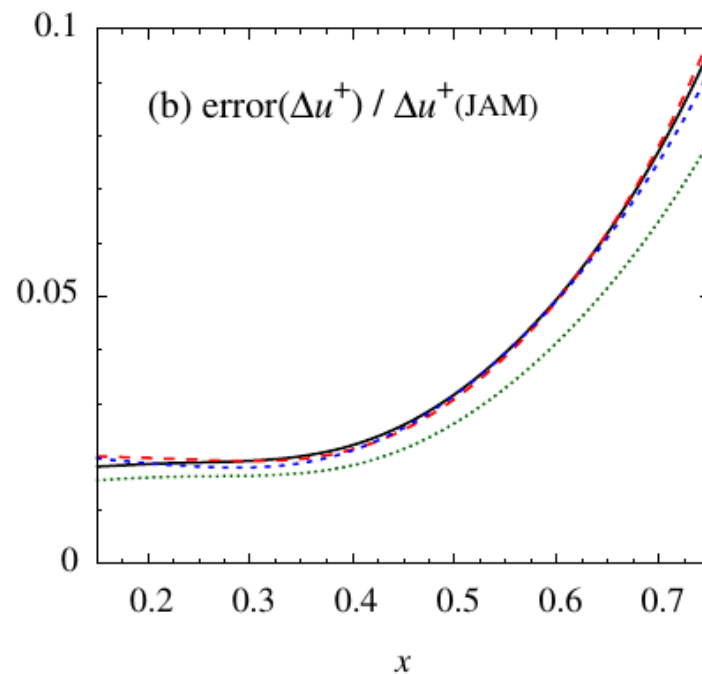
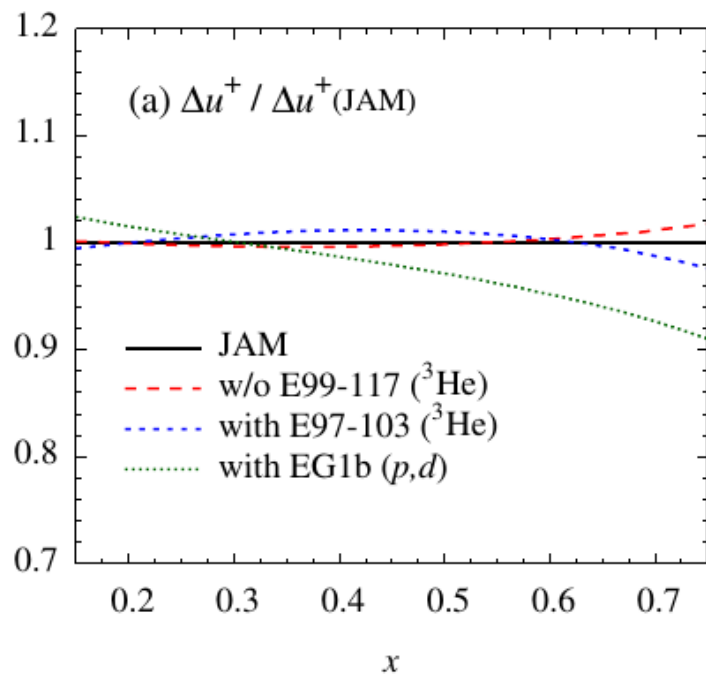
# Constraints at large $x$

- Current data cannot discriminate different  $\Delta u/u$  and  $\Delta d/d$  behaviors
- Try and impose  $x \rightarrow 1$  pQCD constraints by hand: **“JAM+” fit**
  - Large systematic (parametrization) uncertainty
  - More data needed at large  $x$ !**  
(e.g., JLab EG1-dvcs, EG1b and JLab12 in near future)

*Jimenez-Delgado, Avakian, Melnitchouk, arXiv:1403.3355*



# Impact of Jefferson Lab data

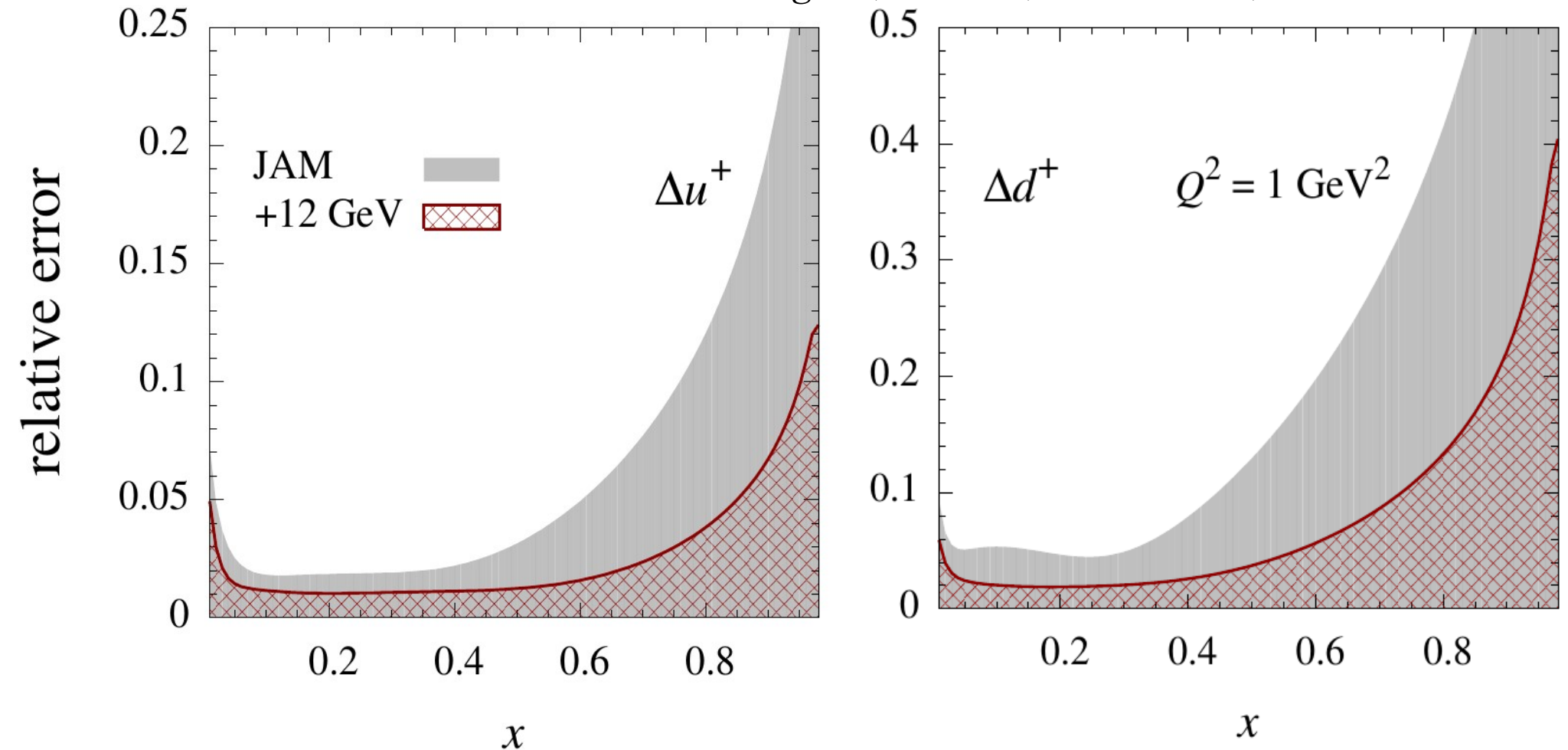


} **40%-50%  
uncertainty  
reduction**



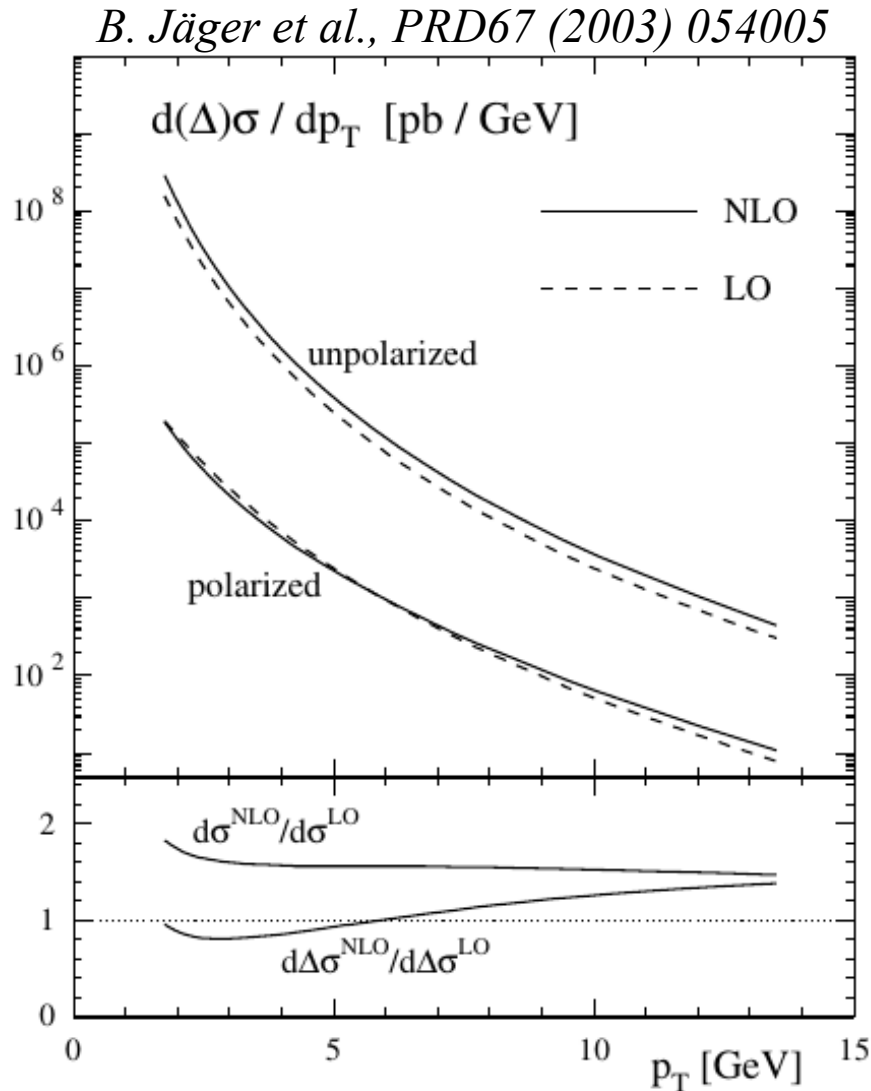
# Impact of JLab 12 data

*Jimenez-Delgado, Avakian, Melnitchouk, arXiv:1403.3355*



**60%-70% reduction of experimental uncertainty for  $0.6 \leq x \leq 0.8$**

# Moving forward – including RHIC data



**High- $p_T$  pions at RHIC:  $pp \rightarrow \pi^0 X$**

$$A_{LL}^{\pi} = \frac{d\Delta\sigma}{d\sigma} = \frac{d\sigma^{++} - d\sigma^{+-}}{d\sigma^{++} + d\sigma^{+-}}$$

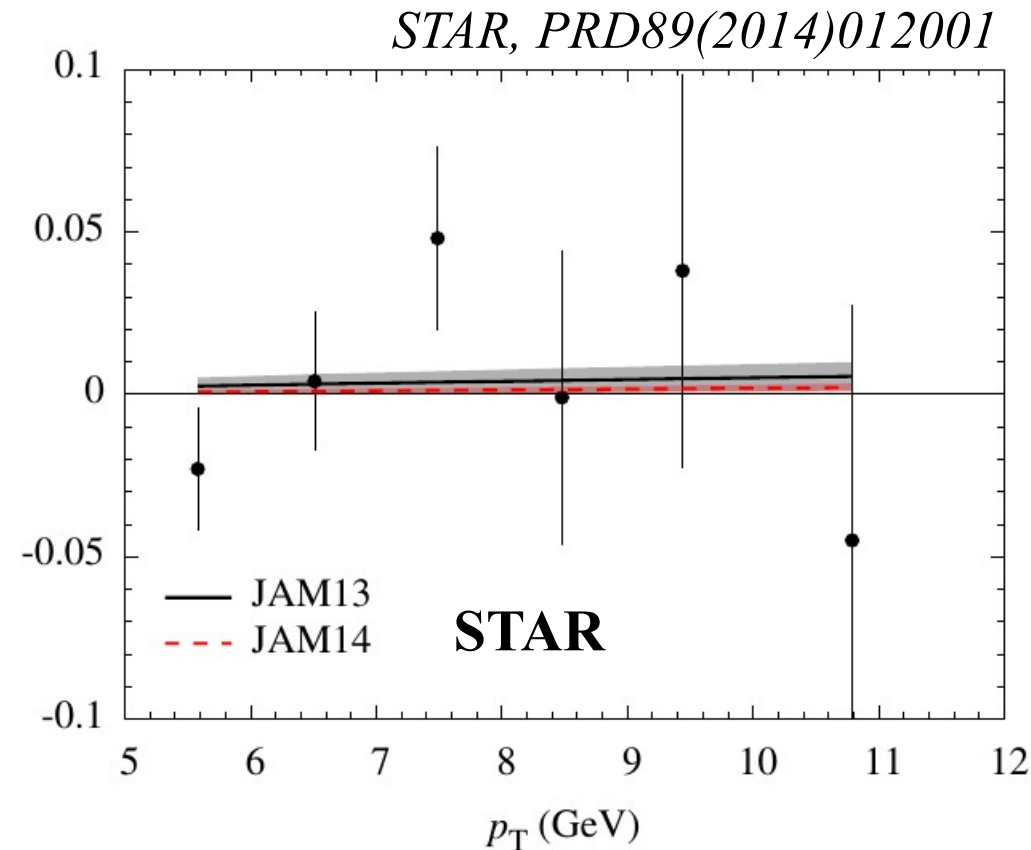
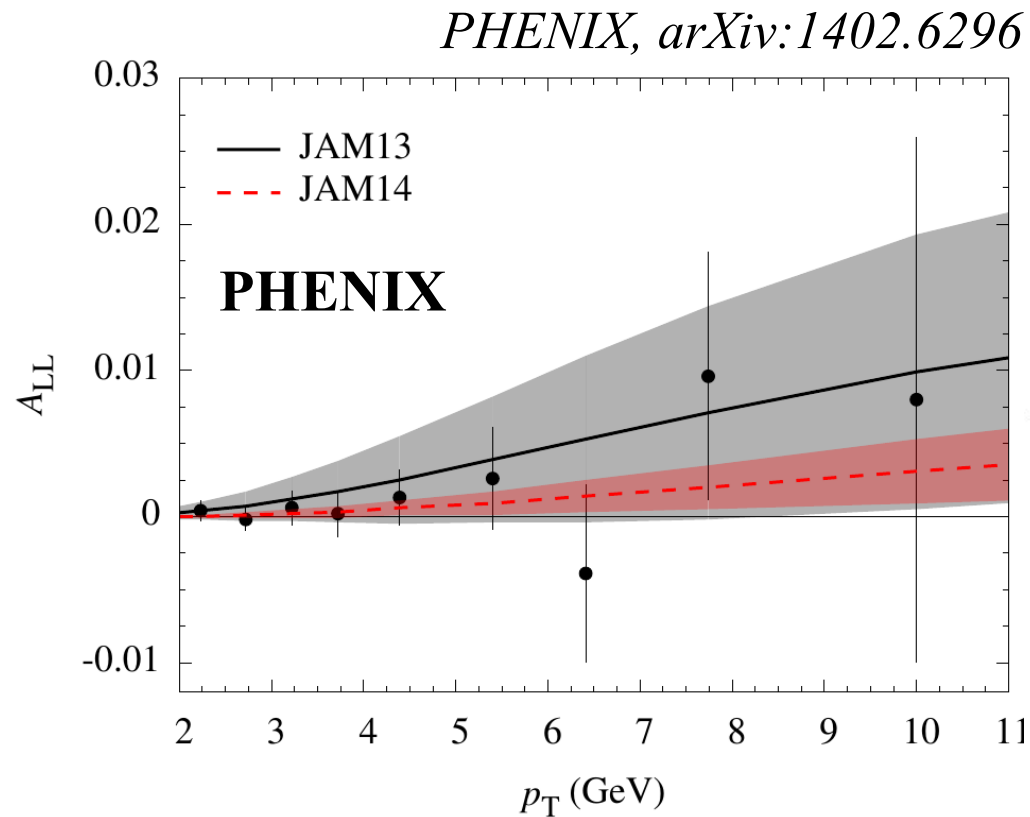
We use scaled LO (K-factors):

$$d\Delta\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = 1 \times d\Delta\sigma^{\text{LO}}$$

$$d\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = 1.5 \times d\sigma^{\text{LO}}$$

One should use the full calculation, however experimental errors are large

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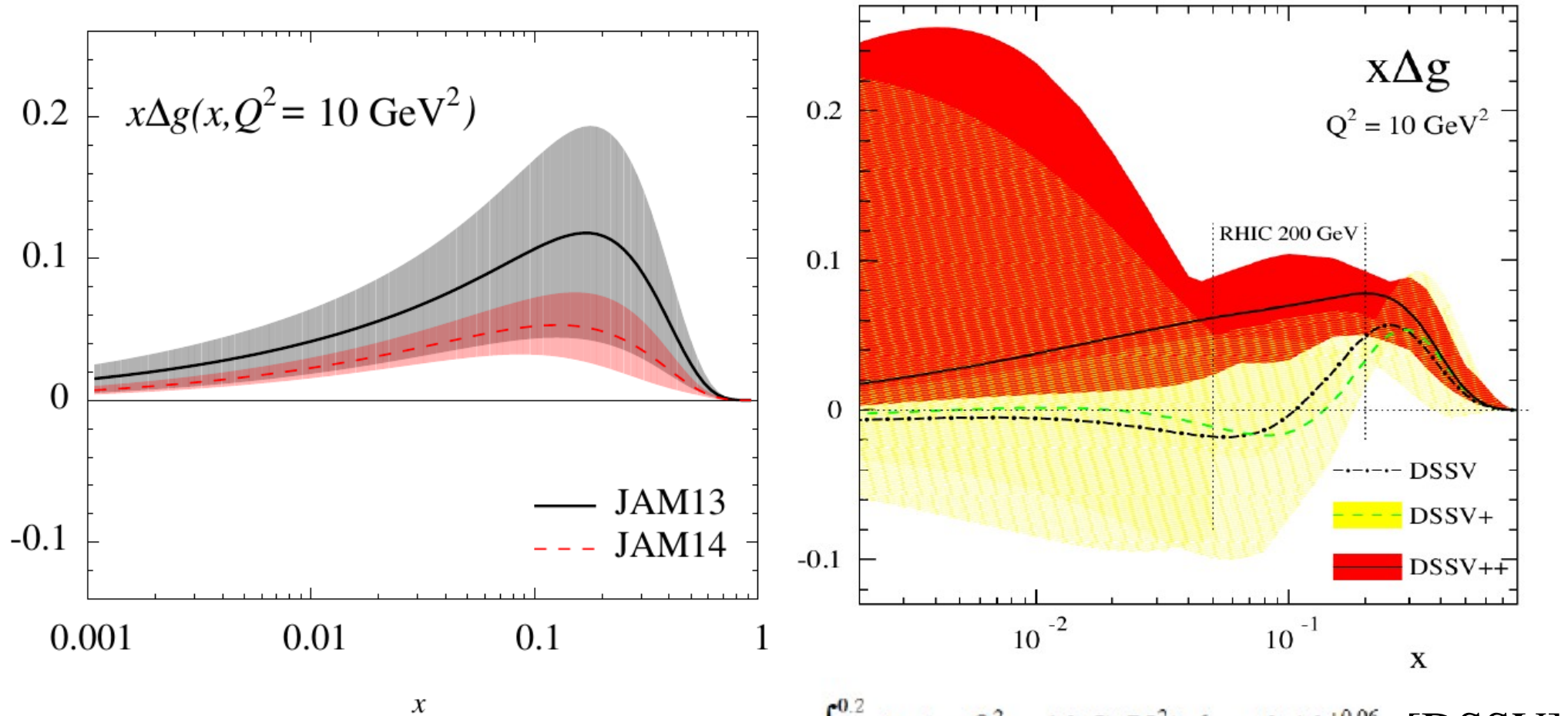
Already “well described” by central JAM13

**PHENIX data constrain  $\Delta g$  significantly**

→ (without affecting quarks or DIS asymmetries)

**Preliminary!!**

# Effect on polarized gluons



$$\int_{0.05}^{0.2} \Delta g(x, Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2) dx = 0.10^{+0.06}_{-0.07} \quad [\text{DSSV}]$$

Quite comparable with DSSV++ , except for small-x error band

$$\int_{0.05}^{0.2} dx \Delta g(x, Q^2 = 10^2) = 0.15 \pm 0.09 \rightarrow 0.07 \pm 0.03$$

JAM13
JAM14

**Preliminary!!**

# Summary and outlook

## New polarized PDFs: JAM13

*Jimenez-Delgado, Accardi, Melnitchouk,  
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- Nuclear corrections relevant
- Target mass corrections should be used
- Complete inclusion of higher-twists possible, manifestly important

## Moving forward – JAM14:

- JLab (+ future JLab12) data will impact large- $x$   $u$ - and  $d$ -quarks
- RHIC pion  $A_{LL}$  constrains medium- $x$  gluons
- SIDIS data for flavor separation to be included “soon”

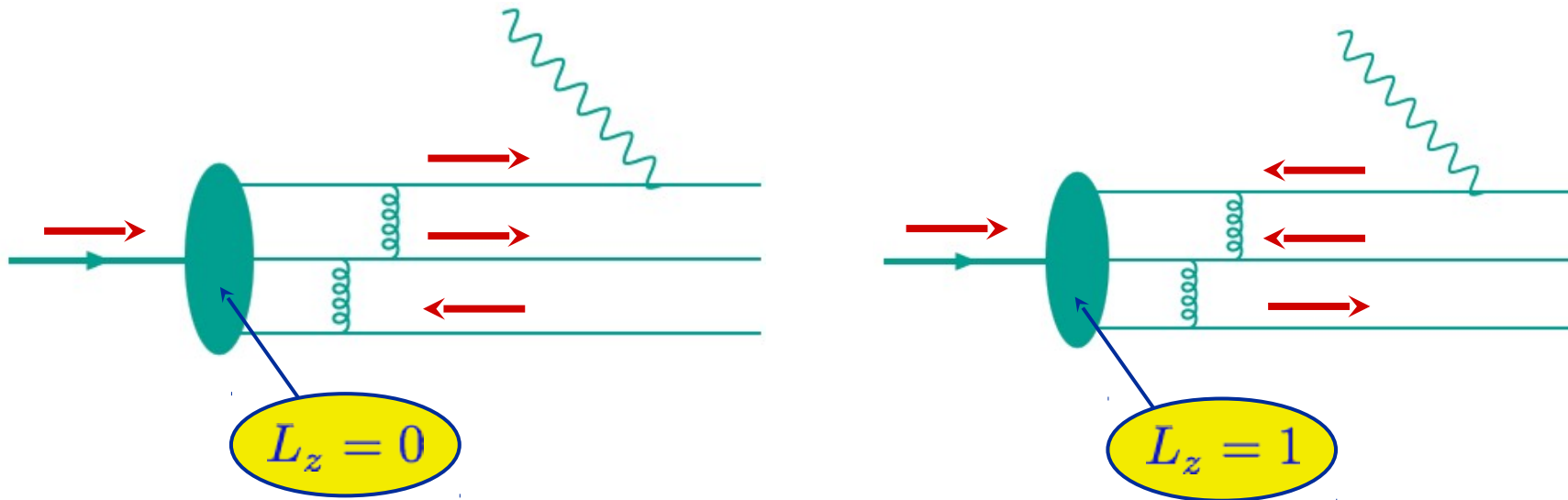
**Longer term:** RHIC jets &  $W$ , EIC, ...

**Backup slides**



# Orbital angular momentum

- Theory analysis suggested need for additional nonzero orbital ang. momentum ( $L_z = 1$ ) component in nucleon wave fn.



→ Leading  $(1-x)^3$  behavior from  $L_z = 0$  component

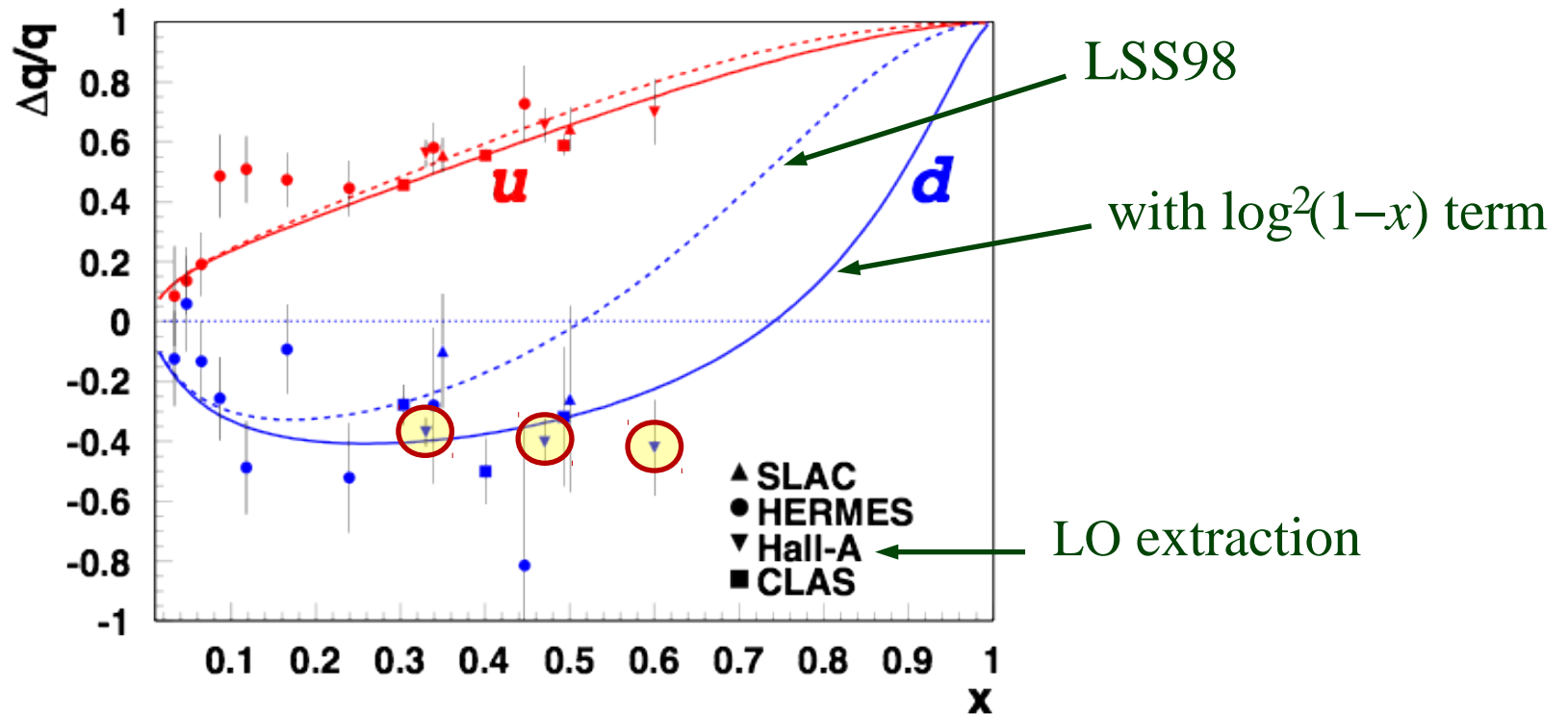
→  $L_z = 1$  gives additional  $\log^2(1-x)$  enhancement of  $q^\downarrow$

$$q^\downarrow \sim (1-x)^5 \log^2(1-x)$$

Avakian, Brodsky, Deur, Yuan  
PRL **99**, 082001 (2007)

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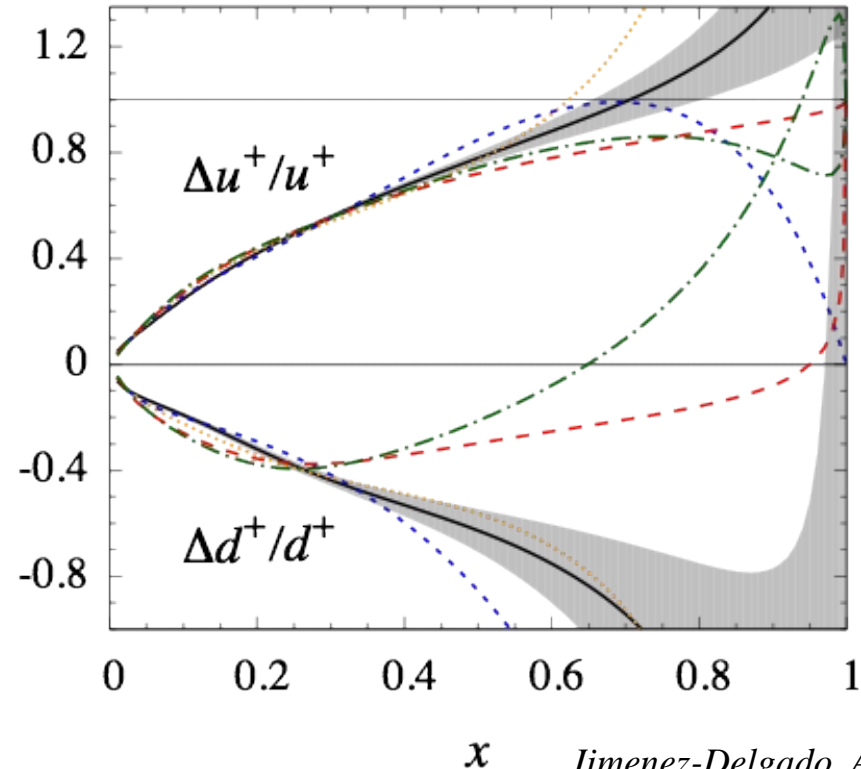
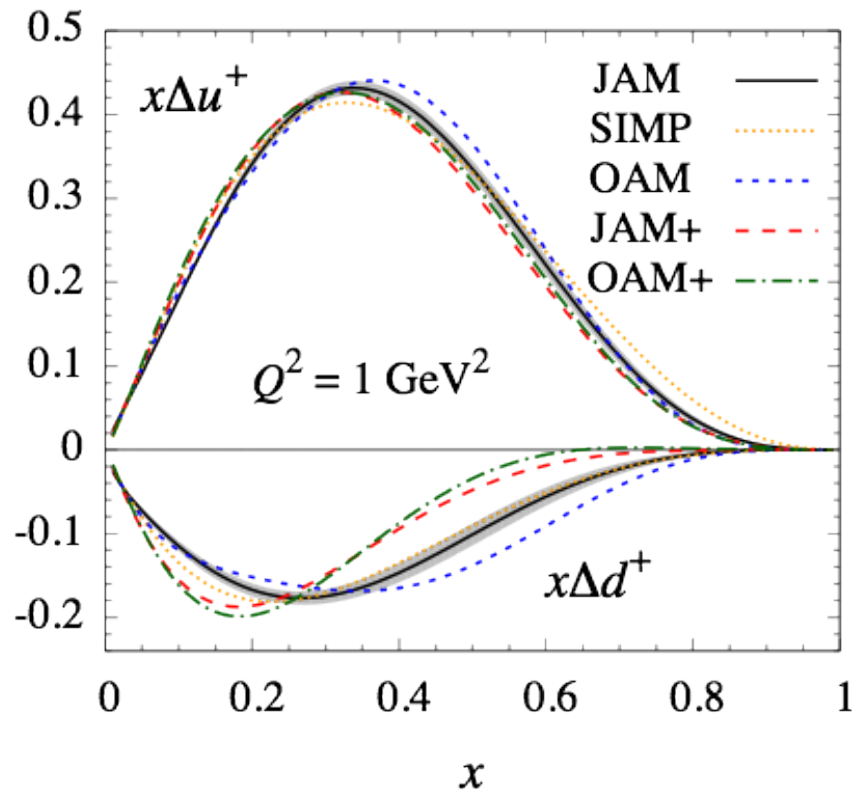
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→  $L_z = 1$  term needed to delay  $\Delta d$  turnover until larger  $x$

# Orbital angular momentum

- Global JAM & JAM+ fits can accommodate data *without*  $L_z = 1$  terms



Jimenez-Delgado, Avakian, WM  
arXiv:1403.3355

→ “OAM” and “OAM+” fits use

$$x\Delta f = Nx^\alpha(1-x)^\beta + N'x^\alpha(1-x)^5 \log^2(1-x)$$

can also accommodate data, with similar overall  $\chi^2$

→ **MORE DATA NEEDED!**

# Polarized valence quark PDFs

- Several upcoming experiments at JLab will measure

$$A_1(p, d, {}^3\text{He}) \text{ up to } x \sim 0.8$$

