

nPDFs and the LHC

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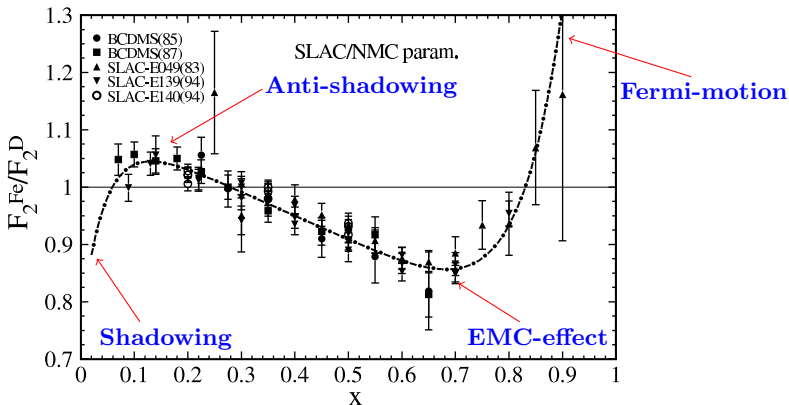
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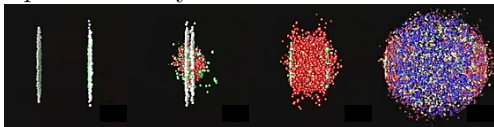
- Cross-sections in nuclear collisions are modified



- Can we translate this modifications into a universal quantities like nPDFs?

Motivations: Why do we need nuclear PDFs?

- Information on the structure of nucleus.
- Description of heavy ion collisions at the **LHC** and **RHIC**



- Description of electron DIS with nuclei: **EIC**, **LHeC**.
- Differentiate flavors in free-proton PDFs (e.g. strange)

charged lepton DIS

$$F_2^{l^\pm} \sim \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 [d + s] + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 [u + c]$$

neutrino DIS

$$F_2^\nu \sim [d + s + \bar{u} + \bar{c}]$$

$$F_2^{\bar{\nu}} \sim [\bar{d} + \bar{s} + u + c]$$

$$F_3^\nu \sim 2[d + s - \bar{u} - \bar{c}]$$

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Assumptions entering the nuclear PDF analysis

- 1 **Factorization** & DGLAP evolution
 - allow for definition of **universal PDFs**
 - make the formalism **predictive**
 - needed even if it is broken
- 2 Isospin symmetry $\begin{cases} u^{n/A}(x) = d^{p/A}(x) \\ d^{n/A}(x) = u^{p/A}(x) \end{cases}$
- 3 The *bound proton* PDFs have the *same evolution equations* and sum rules as the free proton PDFs *provided we neglect any contributions from the region $x > 1$* (which is expected to have negligible contribution [[PRC 73, 045206 \(2006\)](#), [arXiv:hep-ph/0509241](#)])

Then observables \mathcal{O}^A can be calculated as:

$$\mathcal{O}^A = Z \mathcal{O}^{p/A} + (A - Z) \mathcal{O}^{n/A}$$

With the above assumptions we can use the free proton framework to analyze nuclear data

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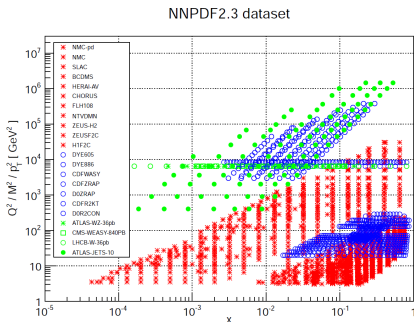
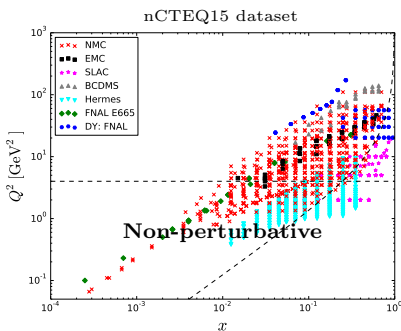
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- **Multiplicative nuclear correction factors**

$$f_i^{p/A}(x_N, \mu_0) = R_i(x_N, \mu_0, A) f_i^{\text{free proton}}(x_N, \mu_0)$$

- **HKN**: Hirai, Kumano, Nagai
[PRC 76, 065207 (2007), [arXiv:0709.3038](#)]
- **EPS**: Eskola, Paukkunen, Salgado
[JHEP 04 (2009) 065, [arXiv:0902.4154](#)]
- **DSSZ**: de Florian, Sassot, Stratmann, Zurita
[PRD 85, 074028 (2012), [arXiv:1112.6324](#)]

- **Native nuclear PDFs**

- nCTEQ [PRD 93, 085037 (2016), [arXiv:1509.00792](#)]

$$f_i^{p/A}(x_N, \mu_0) = f_i(x_N, A, \mu_0)$$
$$f_i(x_N, A = 1, \mu_0) \equiv f_i^{\text{free proton}}(x_N, \mu_0)$$

- Functional form of the **bound proton PDF** same as for the free proton (CTEQ6M, x restricted to $0 < x < 1$)

$$x f_i^{p/A}(x, Q_0) = c_0 x^{c_1} (1-x)^{c_2} e^{c_3 x} (1 + e^{c_4 x})^{c_5}, \quad i = u_v, d_v, g, \dots$$

$$\bar{d}(x, Q_0)/\bar{u}(x, Q_0) = c_0 x^{c_1} (1-x)^{c_2} + (1 + c_3 x)(1-x)^{c_4}$$

- A -dependent fit parameters (reduces to free proton for $A = 1$)

$$c_k \rightarrow c_k(A) \equiv c_{k,0} + c_{k,1} (1 - A^{-c_{k,2}}), \quad k = \{1, \dots, 5\}$$

- PDFs for nucleus (A, Z)

$$f_i^{(A,Z)}(x, Q) = \frac{Z}{A} f_i^{p/A}(x, Q) + \frac{A-Z}{A} f_i^{n/A}(x, Q)$$

(bound neutron PDF $f_i^{n/A}$ by isospin symmetry)

- NC DIS & DY

CERN BCDMS & EMC & NMC

N = (D, Al, Be, C, Ca, Cu, Fe, Li, Pb, Sn, W)

FNAL E-665

N = (D, C, Ca, Pb, Xe)

DESY Hermes

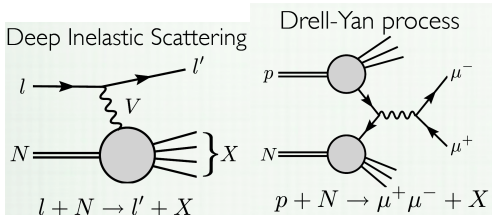
N = (D, He, N, Kr)

SLAC E-139 & E-049

N = (D, Ag, Al, Au, Be, C, Ca, Fe, He)

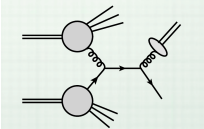
FNAL E-772 & E-886

N = (D, C, Ca, Fe, W)



- Single pion production (new)

Single pion production

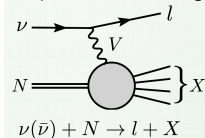


RHIC - PHENIX & STAR

N = Au

- Neutrino (to be included later)

Deep Inelastic Scattering



CHORUS CCFR & NuTeV

N = Pb N = Fe

Fit properties:

- fit @NLO
- $Q_0 = 1.3\text{GeV}$
- using ACOT heavy quark scheme
- kinematic cuts:
 $Q > 2\text{GeV}$, $W > 3.5\text{GeV}$
 $p_T > 1.7\text{ GeV}$
- 708 (DIS & DY) + 32 (single π^0)
= 740 data points after cuts
- 16+2 free parameters
 - 7 gluon
 - 7 valence
 - 2 sea
 - 2 pion data
normalizations
- $\chi^2 = 587$, giving $\chi^2/\text{dof} = 0.81$

Error analysis:

- use Hessian method

$$\chi^2 = \chi_0^2 + \frac{1}{2} H_{ij} (a_i - a_i^0)(a_j - a_j^0)$$

$$H_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial a_i \partial a_j}$$

- tolerance $\Delta\chi^2 = 35$ (every nuclear target within 90% C.L.)
- eigenvalues span 10 orders of magnitude \rightarrow require numerical precision
- use noise reducing derivatives

Fit properties

- fit @ 1000000

- $Q_0 = 0.01$

- using 1000000

- kinematic cuts

- $Q > 1$

- $p_T > 1$

- 708 (1000000)

- $= 740$

- 16+2

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Kinematic cuts

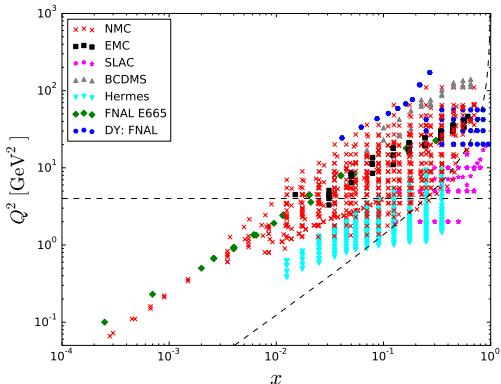
nCTEQ:

$$\begin{cases} Q > 2 \text{ GeV} \\ W > 3.5 \text{ GeV} \end{cases}$$

EPS: $Q > 1.3 \text{ GeV}$

HKN: $Q > 1 \text{ GeV}$

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 reducing derivatives
EPS09: 929 data points

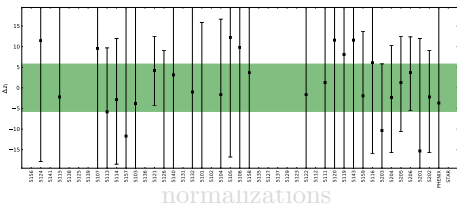
Fit details

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Hessian method

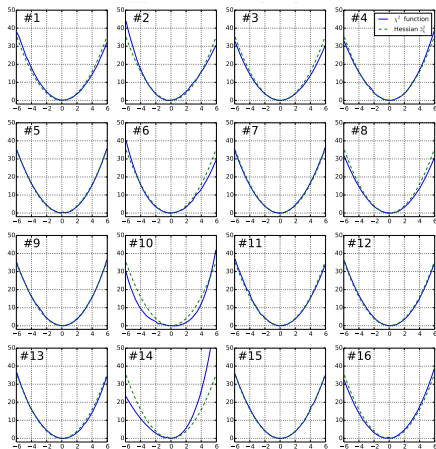
- choice of tolerance: $T = 35$
[PRD65 (2001) 014012,
arXiv:hep-ph/0101051]
- quadratic approximation

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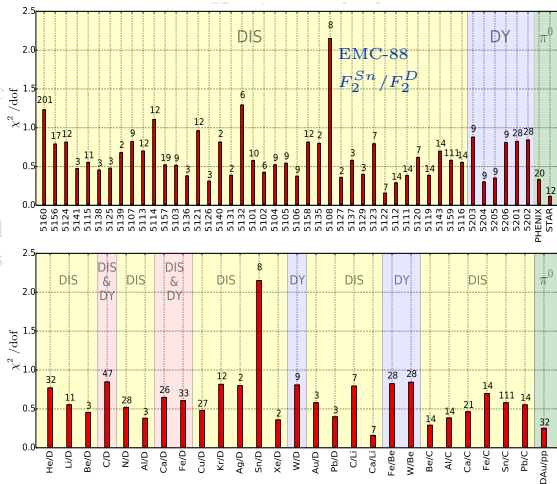
Fit quality

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nCTEQ15 RESULTS

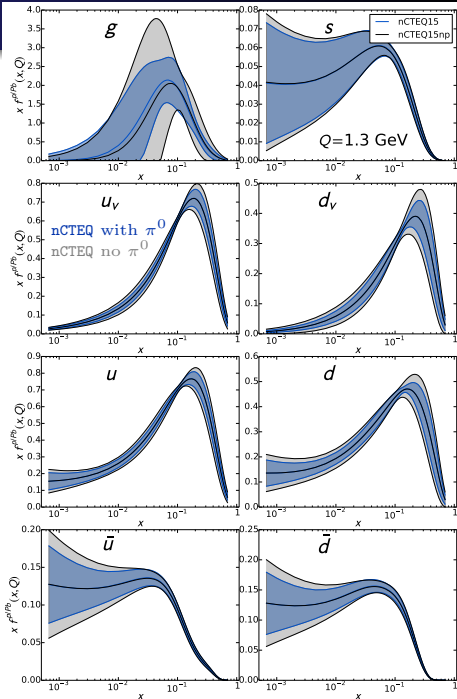
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Bound proton PDFs
($Q = 1.3$ GeV)

$$x f_i^{p/Pb}(x, Q)$$

Compare nCTEQ fits:

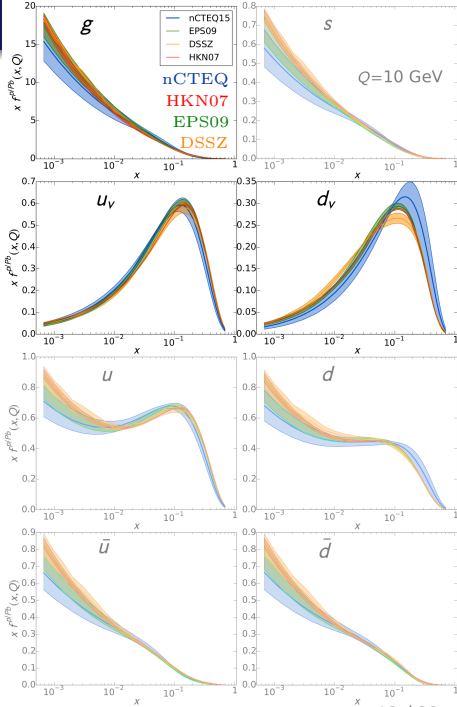
- nCTEQ15 with π^0 data
- nCTEQ15np without π^0 data



Bound proton PDFs
($Q = 10\text{GeV}$)

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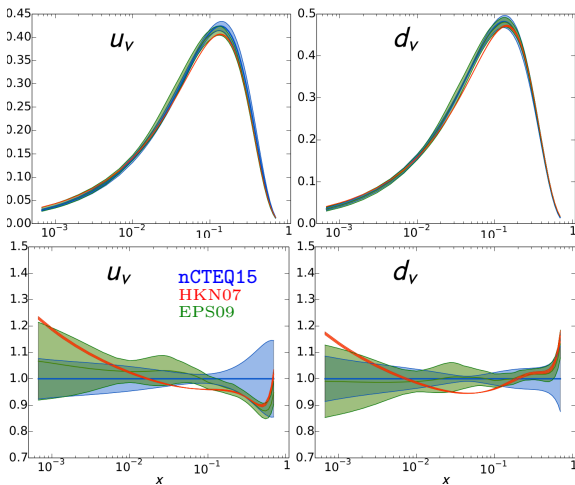
- nCTEQ features larger uncertainties than previous nPDFs
- better agreement between different groups (nPDFs don't depend on proton baseline)



Valence nuclear distributions

Full lead nucleus distribution:

$$f^{Pb} = \frac{82}{208} f^{p/Pb} + \frac{208 - 82}{208} f^{n/Pb}$$



nCTEQ15

$$u_v^{p/A} \neq d_v^{p/A}$$

$$x u_v^{p/A}(Q_0) = x c_1^u (1-x) c_2^u e^{c_3^u x} (1 + e^{c_4^u x}) c_5^u$$

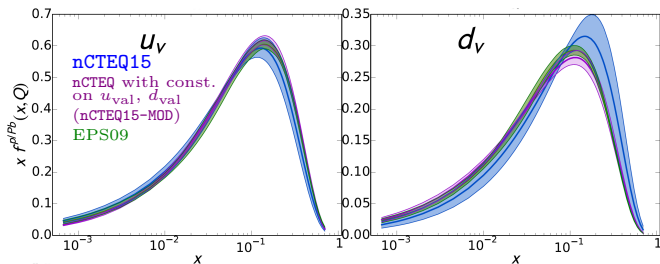
$$x d_v^{p/A}(Q_0) = x c_1^d (1-x) c_2^d e^{c_3^d x} (1 + e^{c_4^d x}) c_5^d$$

EPS09

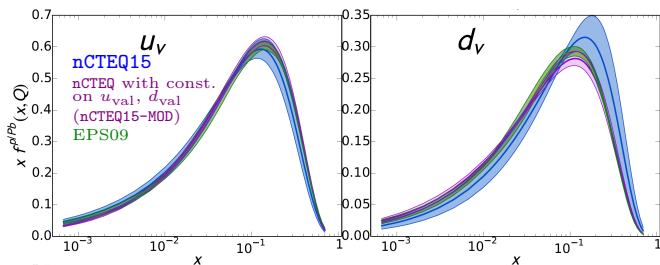
$$R_v^u(x, A, Z) = R_v^d(x, A, Z)$$

$$u_v^{p/A}(Q_0) = R_v(x, A, Z) u_v(x, Q_0)$$

$$d_v^{p/A}(Q_0) = R_v(x, A, Z) d_v(x, Q_0)$$



$$\text{nCTEQ15-MOD: } u_v^{p/A} \simeq d_v^{p/A}$$



- χ^2 of both fits is very similar (~ 590) \rightarrow there is not enough data to properly constraint u and d distributions.
- Differences between u and d distributions are washed out in the nuclei

$$f^{Pb} = \frac{Z}{A} f^{p/Pb} + \frac{A-Z}{A} f^{n/Pb}$$

because of the proton/neutron combination.

- Additionally most of DIS data is isoscalar corrected \rightarrow insensitive to u/d differences.
- Differences between the two fits represents an unaccounted systematic uncertainty of the nPDFs.

LHC data

- W/Z production
 - ATLAS [[arXiv:1507.06232](#), ATLAS-CONF-2015-056]
 - CMS [[arXiv:1512.06461](#), [arXiv:1503.05825](#)]
 - LHCb [[arXiv:1406.2885](#)]
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- Jets
 - ATLAS [[arXiv:1412.4092](#)]
 - CMS [[arXiv:1401.4433](#), CMS-PAS-HIN-14-001]
- Charged particle production (FFs dependence)
 - CMS [CMS-PAS-HIN-12-017]
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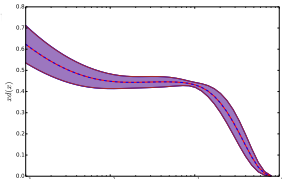
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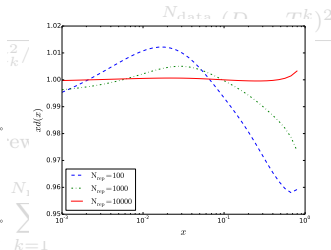
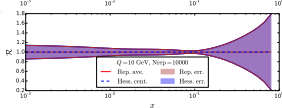
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To speed up calculations in case of pPb data we can exploit

$$\sigma_k = f^{\text{P}} \otimes \hat{\sigma} \otimes \left[f_0^{\text{Pb}} + \sum_i^N \frac{f_i^{\text{Pb}(+)} - f_i^{\text{Pb}(-)}}{2} R_{ki} \right].$$

- We used only W/Z production data from pPb collisions
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- The dominate role is played by the CMS W production data [[arXiv:1503.05825](#)]

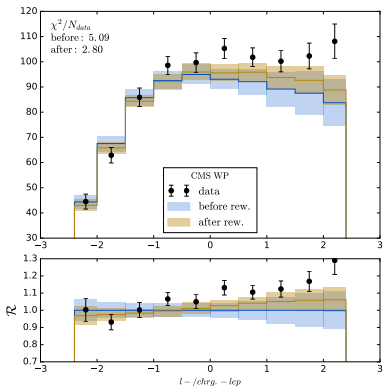
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- CMS W^\pm data [[arXiv:1503.05825](https://arxiv.org/abs/1503.05825)]

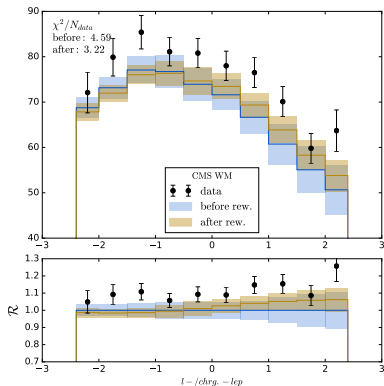
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W^+



W^-



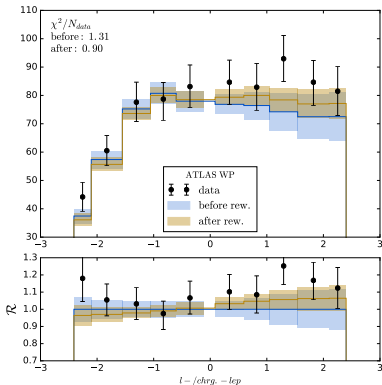
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- ATLAS W^\pm data [ATLAS-CONF-2015-056]

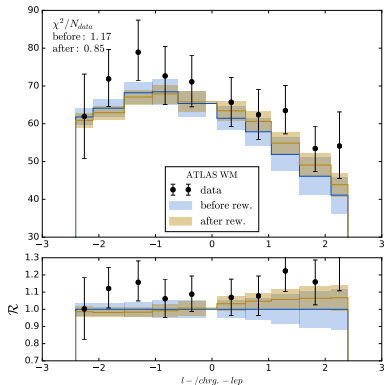
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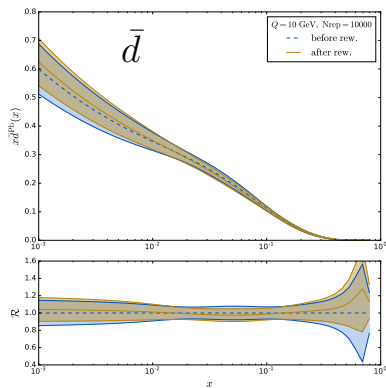
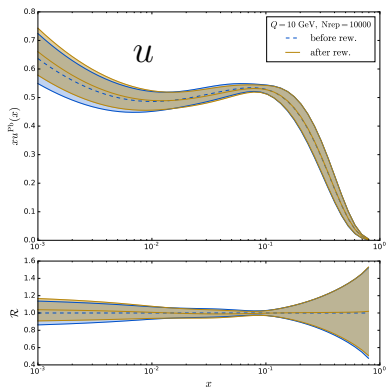


Reweighting with LHC data

- Example reweighted PDFs

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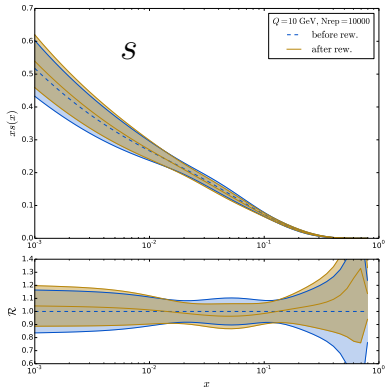
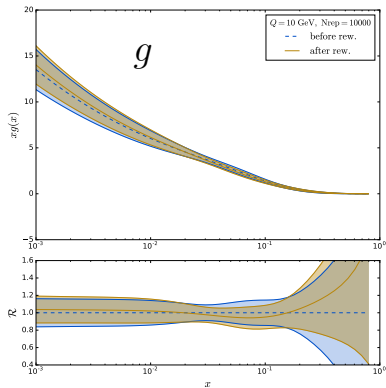


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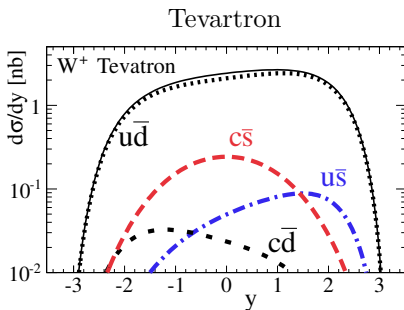
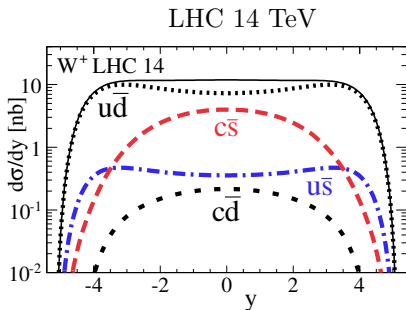
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Strange and free-proton baseline

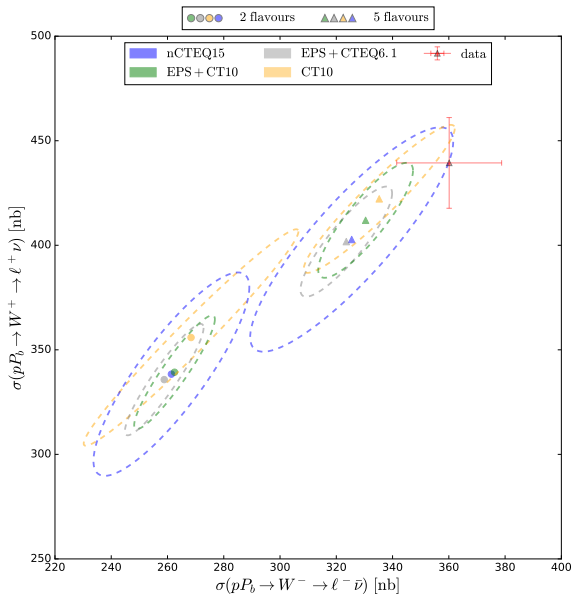


[PRD85 (2012) 094028, arXiv:1203.1290]

- Strange contributions at the LHC are much more important than in previous experiments.
- We should look more carefully at nuclear strange.
 - open strange degrees of freedom
 - use newer free-proton baseline with LHC data

Importance of free-proton baseline

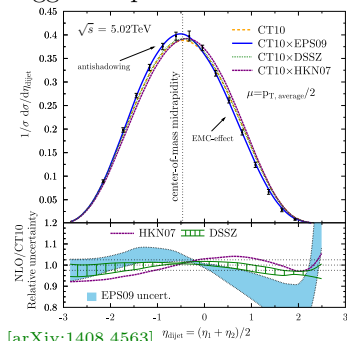
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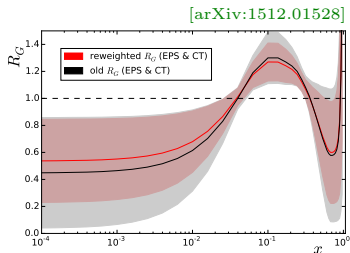
Used data:

- W/Z boson production from pPb collisions
 - most importantly: CMS W production [arXiv:1503.05825]
- Jets & dijets
 - CMS dijets look promising [arXiv:1401.4433]
- Charged-particle production

Biggest impact comes from dijet data modifying gluon distribution



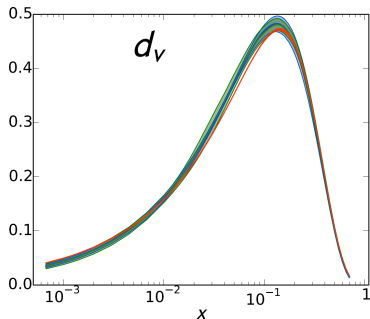
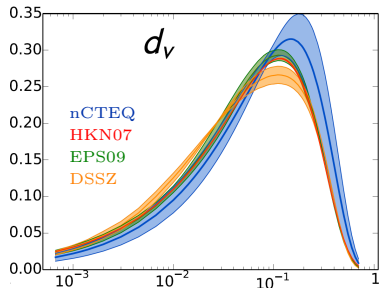
[arXiv:1408.4563]



Summary

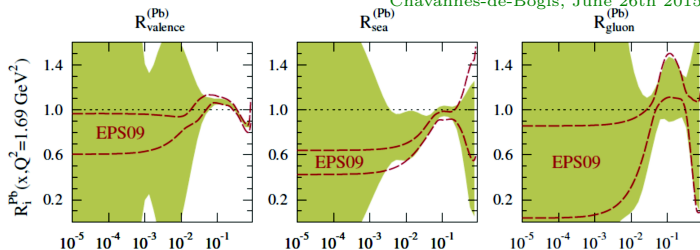
Summary

- I presented the available nPDF analysis; in particular the new nCTEQ15 [arXiv:1509.00792] (PDFs available at: <http://ncteq.hepforge.org> and at LHAPDF website)
- There are substantial differences in bound proton PDFs which vanish for full nuclear PDFs
 - bound proton PDFs are only **effective** means of parametrization of full nPDFs



- Not all flavours are currently reliably determined in particular constraints on the nuclear gluon are very mild.
- nPDFs errors still substantially underestimated especially at low- x (no data below $x \lesssim 0.01$)

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- The LHC data is still not very precise which results in rather mild effects on nPDFs (in the reweighting studies).
- However, it is important to include the LHC data into the fits (W^\pm and Z bosons, jets, dijets)
 - allows to remove assumptions (open new parameters, e.g. gluon, strange)
 - constraints on previously fixed distributions (hard to estimate impact via reweighting)
 - stabilizes fits
 - makes errors estimates more reliable

nCTEQ

nuclear parton distribution functions

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nCTEQ project is an extension of the CTEQ collaborative effort to determine parton distribution functions inside of a free proton. It generalizes the free-proton PDF framework to determine densities of partons in bound protons (hence nCTEQ which stands for nuclear CTEQ). All details on the framework and the first complete results can be found in [arXiv:15????? \[hep-ph\]](#). The effects of the nuclear environment on the parton densities can be shown as modified parton densities or nuclear correction factors (for example for lead as shown below)

