

### Determining Large x PDFs at JLEIC – a work in progress 12

**HERA** inclusive **DIS** 

HERA DIS

10\*

Exp. Uncert

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10

CMS Preliminary

10-3

3.0

2.5

~ 2.0

(0'x)fx

0.5

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ract. Uncert.







 $s/s_{
m CJ15}$ 

 $10^{-3}$   $10^{-2}$ 

0.1

x

0.2

0.3 0.4



CJ15 (T = 10)

1.6

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# **Motivation**

- In general, DIS experiments provides the best systematic control for PDF measurements.
- High-x (>0.1) PDFs are of interest to LHC (and HL-LHC) program for searches for new physics.
- Medium-x (0.01 to 0.001), possibly for Higgs couplings.
- Jefferson Lab 12 GeV program measures high-x at Q<sup>2</sup> up to ~10 GeV<sup>2</sup>. Measurements ranging to high (up to a few 1000 GeV<sup>2</sup>) will enable studies of target mass, higher twist, pert/nonpert. studies)



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# **Motivation II**

- HERA measurements at high-x tends to be statistics limited—high-x, generally means high-Q<sup>2</sup> (more on this later).
- Other measurements are either
  - At hadron-hadron machines with, in general, larger systematic uncertainties (Tevatron, LHC itself)
  - Fixed target experiments at lower Q<sup>2</sup> and/or have target corrections leading to uncertainties when used in QCD fits.
- The proposed Electron Ion Collider is kinematically between HERA and fixed-target.
  - Measure at perturbative Q<sup>2</sup> values and on proton target.
- EIC and HL-LHC will run concurrently (according to current projections).





#### Large x (x > 0.05) -> Large PDF Uncertainties



### g(x) is poorly known at large (and small) x...



#### Nucleon Structure Function Measurements



#### Proton –

- $F_2^p$  measured over > 5 orders of magnitude in x,  $Q^2$  by dozens of experiments at numerous laboratories and for decades
- Well described by DGLAP, global PDF fits
- Translates to small uncertainties on u(x)

#### Neutron –

- No free neutron target
- Historically difficult to extract neutron from deuteron uncertainties from nuclear corrections
- $F_2^d$  not as well measured as  $F_2^p$
- Translates to large uncertainties on d(x)

#### HERA and other measurements.



# The Electron Ion Collider

#### For e-N collisions at the EIC:

- ✓ Polarized beams: e, p, d/<sup>3</sup>He
- ✓ e beam 3-10(20) GeV
- ✓ Luminosity L<sub>ep</sub> ~ 10<sup>33-34</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>sec<sup>-1</sup> 100-1000 times HERA
   ✓ 20-~100 (~140) GeV Variable CoM

#### For e-A collisions at the EIC:

- ✓ Wide range in nuclei
- Luminosity per nucleon same as e-p
- ✓ Variable center of mass energy

#### World's first

# Polarized electron-proton/light ion and electron-Nucleus collider

Two proposals for realization of the science case both designs use DOE's significant investments in infrastructure







# **US-Based EIC Proposals**



### **EIC measurement region**



• To begin investigating possibilities, we used projected data kinematics and uncertainties, and the "CJ" global PDF fit...

Can EIC do better than HERA at high-x?

There are several advantages:

- Much higher luminosity (2 to 3 orders of magnitude)
- Run deuterons (measure neutrons)
- Access to lower angle jets. (large crossing angle for the beams)—see
   Rolf Ent's talk WG7 Wed. 16:00
- Better flavor tagging.

Also at least one disadvantage:

• Lower energies mean lower energy jets—worse calorimetric resolution.

(at high-x, Q<sup>2</sup>~10 GeV<sup>2</sup>: essentially x is measured by jet energy)

#### CTEQ-Jefferson Lab "CJ" PDF Fits

Phys. Rev. D81:034016 (2010) Phys. Rev. D87:094012 (2013) Phys. Rev. D84:014008 (2011) Phys. Rev. D93 114017 (2016)

PDFs at http://lhapdf.hepforge.org/lhapdf5/pdfsets

CJ collaboration: http://www.jlab.org/CJ

Goals:

- Extend CTEQ fit to larger values of x and lower values of  $Q^2$
- Incorporate data previously subject to kinematic cuts (SLAC and JLab largely)

To accomplish this:

- Need to relax conventional cuts defining "safe" region for issues such as higher twist, target mass will now need to take these into account
- Allow d/u to go to a constant (not just  $(1-x)^a$  type form)
- *Need accurate deuteron nuclear corrections*







CJ15 Global Fit

Phys. Rev. D93 114017 (2016)

State-of-the-art in large x PDFs

- > 50% uncertainty on d(x) above x ~ 0.6
- > 50% uncertainty on g(x) above x ~ 0.2





Data so far being considered in CJ fit projection study....

So far, have used JLEIC 10x100 GeV<sup>2</sup> projections in bins 0.1 < x < 0.9 for:

- ✓ F<sub>2</sub><sup>p</sup>
- ✓  $F_2^n$  from deuterium with tagged proton spectator
- F<sub>2</sub><sup>d</sup>

Can check on-shell extrapolation by measuring F<sub>2</sub><sup>p</sup> from deuterium with tagged neutron spectator, comparing to proton target data

Can check nuclear corrections to  $F_2^d$  against  $F_2^{n (tagged)}$ 

- Finally will be able to distinguish between models!
- Assume 1% systematic uncertainty
- $W^2 > 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$  and  $Q^2 > 1.69 \text{ GeV}^2$  (standard CJ15 cuts)
- A simple study so far..





# $F_2^p$ (tagged) pseudodata vs x



Compressed scale makes it somewhat difficult to see the experimental and fit uncertainties

Currently no cut in y:

- would lose a little bit in the high Q<sup>2</sup> range from y<ymax, unlikely a problem since ymax ~0.85.
- would lose some low Q<sup>2</sup>
   leverage at large x from a
   y\_min cut, might have impact
   on the gluon fits
- requires more careful simulations



# 10/fb luminosity

CJ15

CJ15+F2p+F2ntag 10/fb

CJ15+F2p+F2ntag+F2d 10/fb



Top: improvement in relative PDF uncertainties compared to CJ15

Bottom: relative CJ15 CJ15+F2p 10/fb uncertainties compared to CJ15+F2p+F2ntag 10/fb CJ15+F2p+F2ntag+F2d 10/fb CJ15

- Improvement in u impressive, but already small uncertainty
- Large improvement in d(x), ~50% CJ15+F2p 10/fb
  - d/u tracks d

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~20% improvement in g(x)



### 100/fb luminosity



- d quark precision will become comparable to current u!!
- CJ15
   CJ15+F2p
   CJ15+F2p+F2ntag
   CJ15+F2p+F2ntag+F2d
   CJ15+F2p+F2ntag+F2d
  - The u quark uncertainty becomes less than ~1%; may be important for large mass BSM new particles.
  - With d quark nailed by F<sub>2</sub><sup>n</sup>, fitting F<sub>2</sub><sup>d</sup> data will explore details of nuclear effects



### Improved d(x) precision is good news



• The d-quark goes from a few 10% to ~1% percent level

- Resolve long-standing mystery of d/u at large x, bell-weather for fundamental models of nucleon structure
- D/(p+n) in one experiment for the first time unprecedented handle on nuclear medium modifications
- Facilitate accurate neutron excess/isoscalar corrections
  - Important also for neutrino physics and nuclear PDFs





### Improved g(x) precision also good news

• The gluons improve by a bit less than 10% per data set included, with the improvement seemingly independent of luminosity

- Possibly gluons are accessed by the  $F_2$  shape in  $Q^2$ , so that the precision of each data point is not very important, while the lever arm in  $Q^2$  matters most

- If true, expect that adding new measurements we will continue to improve the gluons: for example, adding energy scans at 3+100 and 6+100 may reach a global improvement in the large-x gluons closer to 80%.
- Energy scans could also allow for direct access of gluons from F<sub>L</sub>.
- Need more work to confirm above





# **Next Steps**

- Currently looking at adding other constraints.
  - Data sets with different cms energies (30, 50, 56, 60).
     --Add F<sub>L</sub> constraint. (see next slide)
  - Add charged current data (electron and positron) add constraints on u and d.
- Other possibilities (using particle ID):
  - Charm production in NC. Gluon constraint from BGF
  - Charm production in CC: strange content.





# F<sub>L</sub> at EIC: Measuring the Glue Directly

#### Longitudinal Structure Function $F_L$ c

$$\propto \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} x \int_x^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} \,\xi(1-\xi) \,g\left(\frac{x}{\xi},Q^2\right) \,+\, \dots$$

- Experimentally can be determined directly IF VARIABLE ENERGIES!
- Highly sensitive to effects of gluon



How to measure Gluon distribution  $G(x,Q^2)$ :

- Scaling violation in F<sub>2</sub>:  $\delta F_2 / \delta \ln Q^2$
- $F_L \sim \alpha_s G(x,Q^2)$
- inelastic vector meson production (e.g.  $J/\psi$ )
- diffractive vector meson production ~  $[G(x,Q^2)]^2$

A 10/fb e-p run and an 100/fb e-d run (*with e-n<sub>tag</sub>!*) reduces the u uncertainty to better than 1% and the d uncertainty down to 5% at x = 0.9.

The gluon can also likely be improved significantly.

These are the first naïve studies: if convinced that there will be sizable improvements, we need to move to more careful estimates.





#### Large-x nuclear gluons with charm at EIC

S. Furletov, Yu. Furletova, Ch. Hyde, N. Sato, M. Strikman, C. Weiss, prepared for DIS2017

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- Nuclear modification of gluons gives insight into NN interactions in QCD  $x > 0.3 \leftrightarrow$  modified single-nucleon structure,  $x \sim 0.1 \leftrightarrow$  pairwise NN interactions
- Nuclear modification at large x poorly constrained by present data
- EIC: Limited information from inclusive F<sub>2A</sub>, F<sub>LA</sub>
- EIC: Heavy quark production as direct probe

#### Charm production rates at large x



- Charm production rates drop rapidly at large x
- Charm production rates  $\sim 10^5/\text{bin}$  at  $x \sim 0.1$  (int. lumi 10 fb<sup>-1</sup>)
- Charm/DIS ratio  $\sim$  2–3 % at  $x \sim 0.1$ , increases with  $Q^2$

#### Charm reconstruction methods at large x



- Charm reconstruction using exclusive D-meson decays  $D^{*+} \rightarrow \pi^+(\text{slow}) + (K^-\pi^+)_{D0}$  used at HERA w/o PID, efficiency < 1%. EIC PID + vertex detection allow use of other exclusive channels  $(D^0, D^+)$ Total efficiency estimated ~ 6%
- Charm reconstruction using inclusive modes with displaced vertex

D-meson decay length significance distribution used at HERA with vertex detector Efficiency estimated at ~30% (E. Aschenauer et al., 2016) Sys error estimate with simulations of track fitting & vertex reconstruction, in progress

• Charm reconstruction using high- $p_T$   $c\bar{c}$  pairs

#### Charm impact on large-x nuclear gluon



- Impact of F<sub>2c</sub> pseudodata on EPS09 studied quantified using MC reweighting Method of CJ15 analysis. Verified equivalence with Hessian reweighting.
- Here: Assumed 10% total error, dominated by systematics, point-to-point
- Substantial impact on large-x nuclear gluons
- Possible to constrain large—x nuclear gluons with charm at EIC!

# Conclusions

- EIC has been so far discussed as a low-x machine.
- However, EIC will cover high-x at Q<sup>2</sup> between HERA and Jlab 12.
- The potential for EIC for high-x measurements is being explored.
  - Study nuclear effects
  - Constrain PDFs for searches at (HL-)LHC.
- The first studies look promising. Continuing on with exploratory studies.





#### Backups





### F<sub>2</sub><sup>n</sup> better constrained







# $F_2^{p} - F_2^{n}$ yields non-singlet distribution

- At moderate x (~0.3), singlet comparable to non-singlet
- Large uncertainties on singlet distribution

   in structure function measurements, comes from (small) scaling violations in F<sub>2</sub>
- Q<sup>2</sup> evolution is simpler for the non-singlet (reduced number of splitting functions)
- Assuming a charge-symmetric sea, p-n isolates the non-singlet
- Such measurements provide a direct handle on the quark structure of the nucleon
- Also, need to pin down non-singlet (p-n) to extract singlet (complementary to F<sub>L</sub>)



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#### Example: Higgs production by gluon fusion

 This is the main production mechanism for a Higgs at the LHC

![](_page_29_Figure_2.jpeg)

To calculate the cross section for this process in pp collisions, we need to know the gluon PDF

#### $F_2^{n}/F_2^{p}$ (and, hence, d/u) is essentially unknown at large x:

- Conflicting fundamental theory pictures

- Data inconclusive due to uncertainties in deuterium nuclear corrections
  - Translates directly to large uncertainties on d(x), g(x) PDFs

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# Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs)

- Provide fundamental information regarding nucleon and nuclear structure
- Knowledge of the interaction initial state, and hence the PDFs, is critical to precision measurements at hadron colliders
  - Sensitivity to new physics, new heavy particles, requires better knowledge of large x PDFs

# Improved Extraction of $F_2^n$ from $F_2^d$ and $F_2^p$

# <u>New method</u>: employs iterative procedure of solving integral convolution equations

Y. Kahn, W. Melnitchouk, S.A. Kulagin, Phys. Rev. C 79, 035205 (2009)

 $\succ$  Impulse Approximation – virtual photon scatters incoherently from individual nucleons

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#### Tagged Structure Functions at the EIC

The technique is uniquely suited to colliders: no target material absorbing low-momentum nucleons

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#### Tagged Structure Functions at HERA – Example: proton tag

- Tag leading baryon production
- ep  $\rightarrow$  eXN via color singlet exchange

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# **EIC: Full Acceptance for Forward Physics!**

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![](_page_35_Figure_2.jpeg)

Huge gain in acceptance for forward tagging to measure F<sub>2</sub><sup>n</sup> and diffractive physics!!!

### (Tagged) Neutron Structure Extrapolation in t

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- t resolution better than 20 MeV, < fermi momentum</li>
- Resolution limited/given by ion momentum spread
- Allow precision extraction of F<sub>2</sub><sup>n</sup> neutron structure function

#### (Tagged) Neutron Structure Extrapolation in t

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- 1 year of EIC @ luminosity of 10<sup>32</sup> gives about 1 fb<sup>-1</sup>
- 1 year of EIC @ luminosity of 10<sup>33</sup> gives about 10 fb<sup>-1</sup>
- 1 year of EIC @ luminosity of 10<sup>34</sup> gives about 100 fb<sup>-1</sup>