

Impact of LHC heavy flavour data on nuclear gluon PDF

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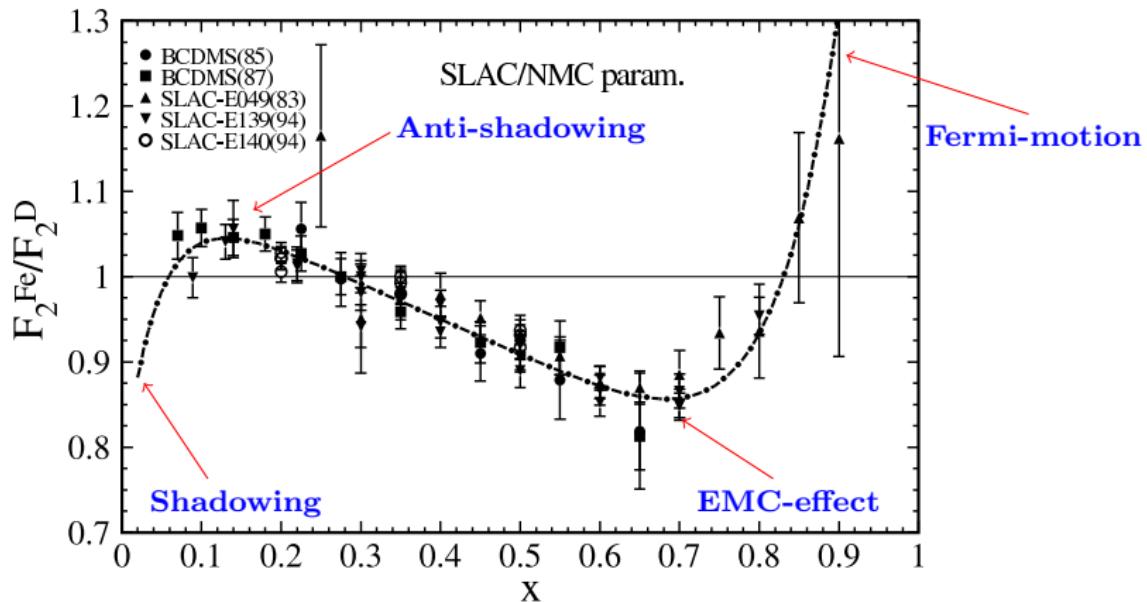
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Introduction

- ▶ Cross-sections in nuclear collisions are modified



- ▶ We translate this modifications into universal quantities: nuclear PDFs (nPDFs)

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Nuclear PDFs (nPDFs) allow to:

- ▶ Get information on the structure of nucleus.
- ▶ Description of heavy ion collisions at the LHC and RHIC, and use perturbative probes of the QGP to study its properties.

nPDFs can not be computed and similarly to the proton PDFs are fitted to experimental data.

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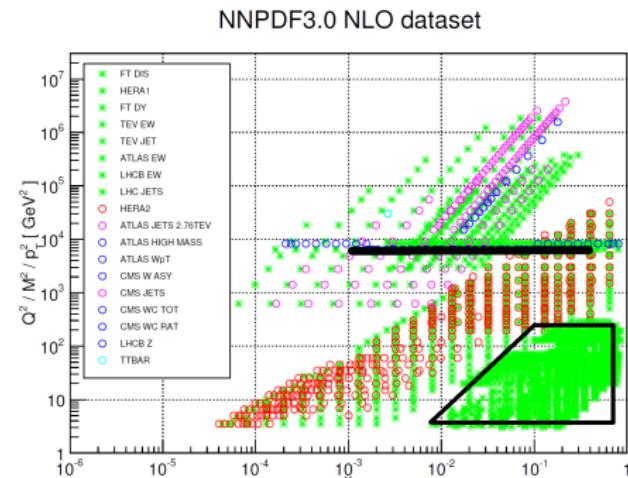
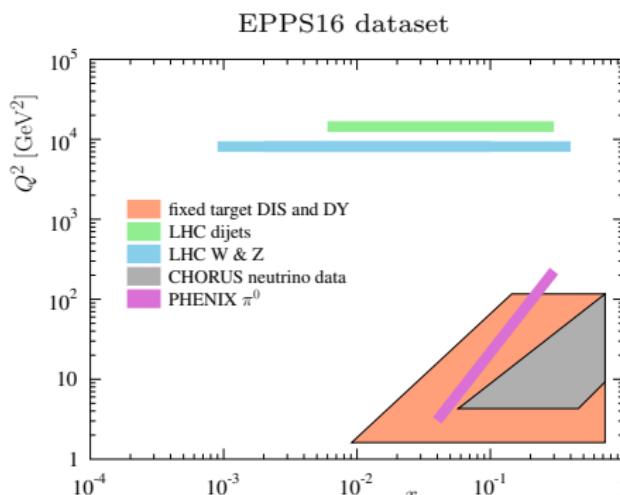
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nPDF framework

► Parametrization

- PDF of nucleus (A - mass, Z - charge)

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

- bound proton PDFs

nCTEQ15 [[arXiv:1509.00792](#)]

$$x f_i^{p/A}(x, Q_0) = c_0 x^{c_1} (1-x)^{c_2} e^{c_3 x} (1+e^{c_4 x})^{c_5} \quad f_i^{p/A}(x, Q) = R_i^A(x, Q) f_i^p(x, Q),$$

$$c_k \rightarrow c_k(\textcolor{red}{A}) \equiv c_{k,0} + c_{k,1} \left(1 - \textcolor{red}{A}^{-c_{k,2}}\right)$$

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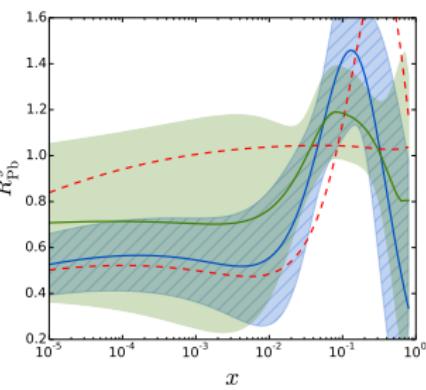
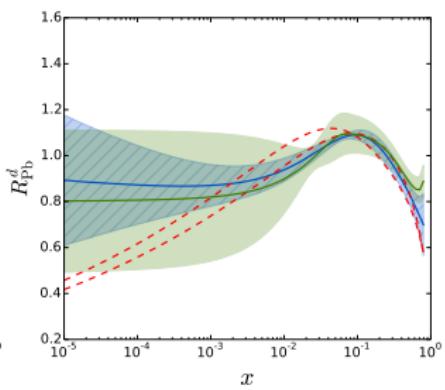
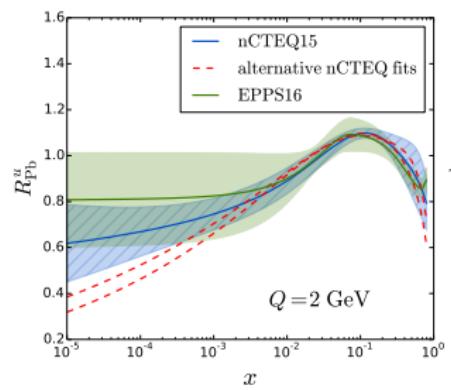
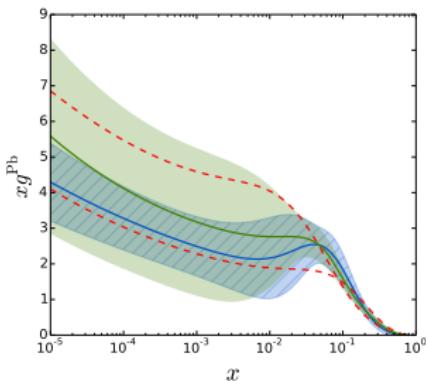
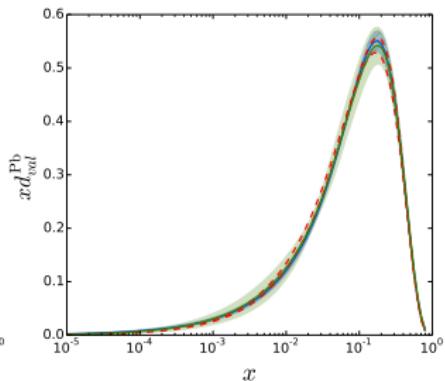
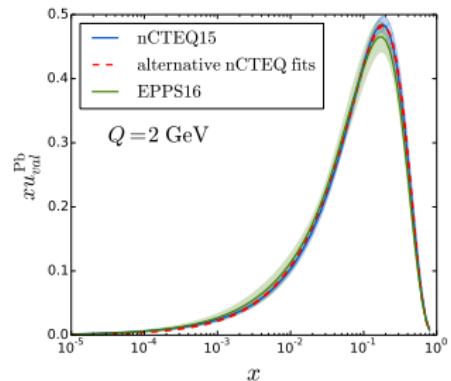
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Current nPDFs

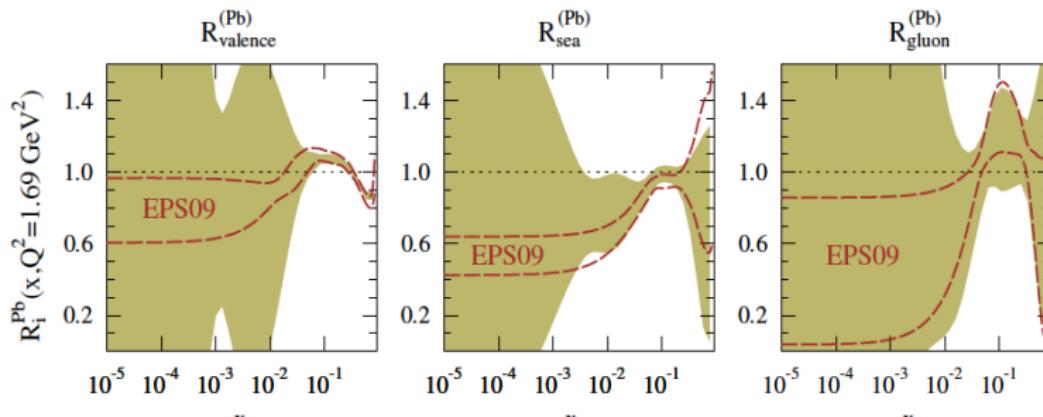
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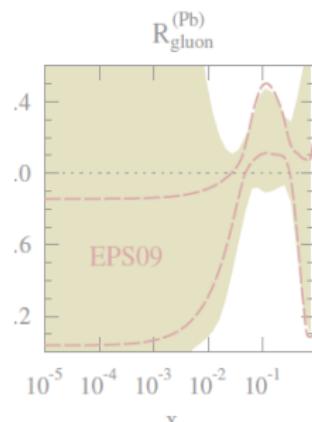
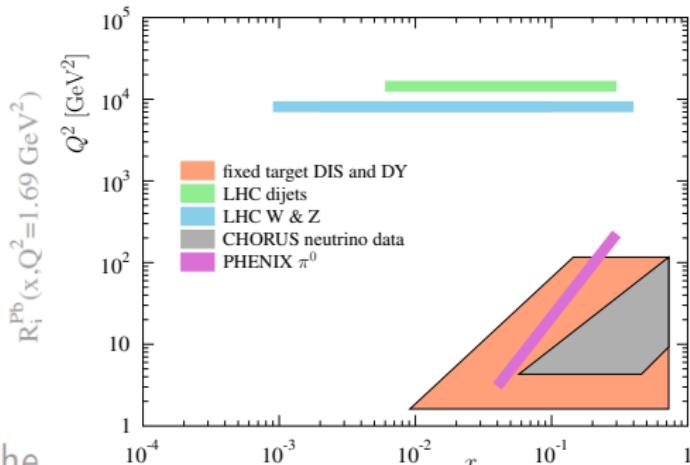
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Heavy flavor LHC data

Available heavy-flavor pPb LHC data

	D^0	J/ψ	$B \rightarrow J/\psi$	$\Upsilon(1S)$
μ_0	$\sqrt{4M_{D^0}^2 + P_{T,D^0}^2}$	$\sqrt{M_{J/\psi}^2 + P_{T,J/\psi}^2}$	$\sqrt{4M_B^2 + \left(\frac{M_B}{M_{J/\psi}} P_{T,J/\psi}\right)^2}$	$\sqrt{M_{\Upsilon(1S)}^2 + P_{T,\Upsilon(1S)}^2}$
$p+p$ data	LHCb [1]	LHCb [2,3]	LHCb [2,3]	ALICE [4], ATLAS [5], CMS [6], LHCb [7,8]
R_{pPb} data	ALICE [9], LHCb [15]	ALICE [10,11], LHCb [16,12]	LHCb [12]	ALICE [13], ATLAS [14], LHCb [17]

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Expected nuclear effects on heavy quark(onium) production in pA collisions

- ▶ Nuclear modification of PDFs: initial-state effect
- ▶ Energy loss (w.r.t. pp collisions): initial-state or final-state effect
- ▶ Break up of the quarkonium in the nuclear matter: final-state effect
- ▶ Break up by comoving particles: final-state effect
- ▶ Colour filtering of intrinsic QQ pairs: initial-state effect
- ▶ ...

► We assume leading twist factorization is valid – ONLY modifications of PDFs are present → “shadowing-only” hypothesis.

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Impact on nPDFs: reweighting analysis

Reweighting for Hessian PDFs [arXiv:1310.1089, arXiv:1402.6623]

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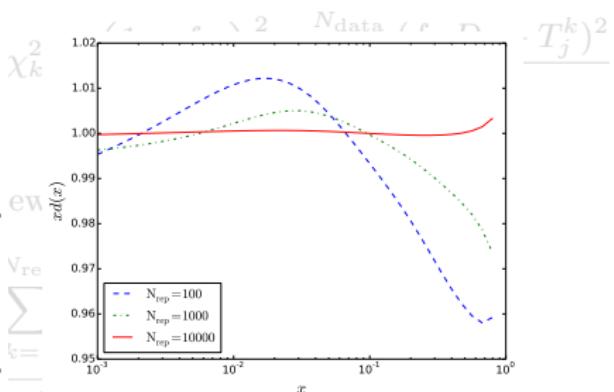
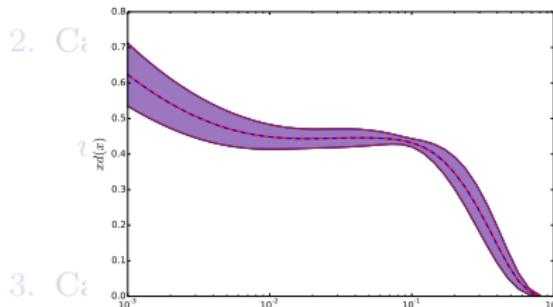
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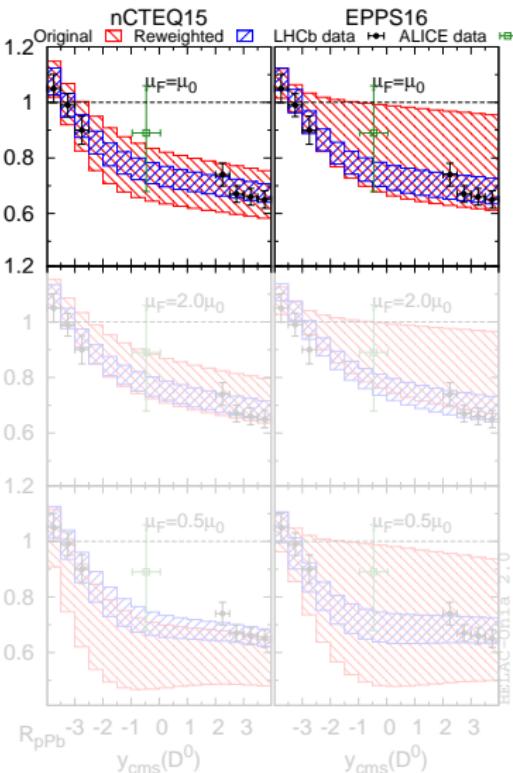
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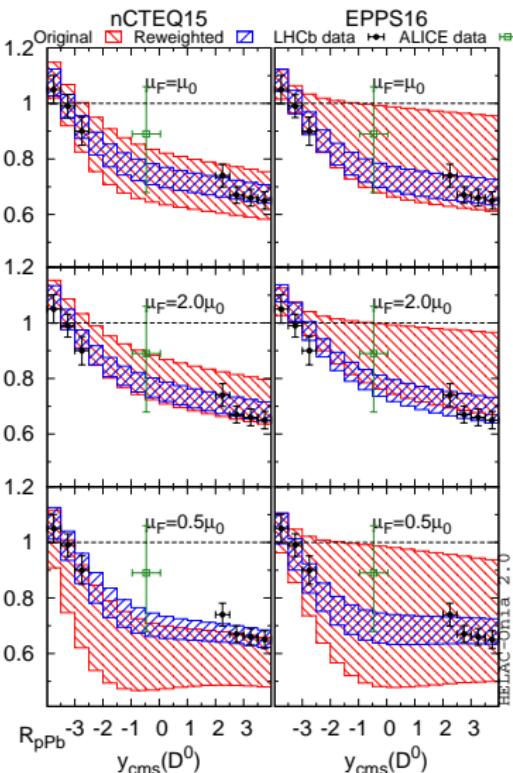


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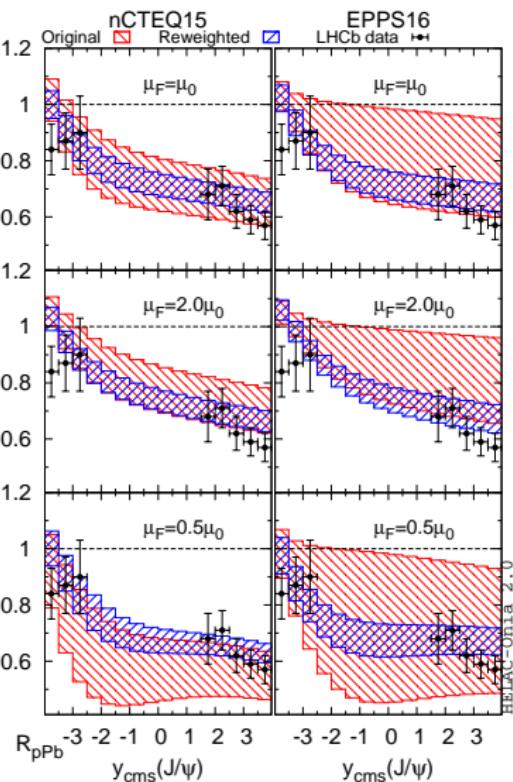
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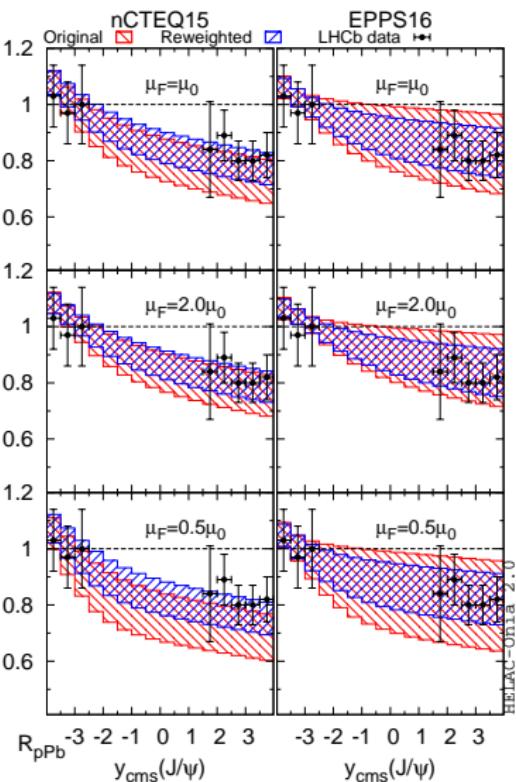
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- ▶ Again we observe good agreement with the data; the scale uncertainty becomes important.

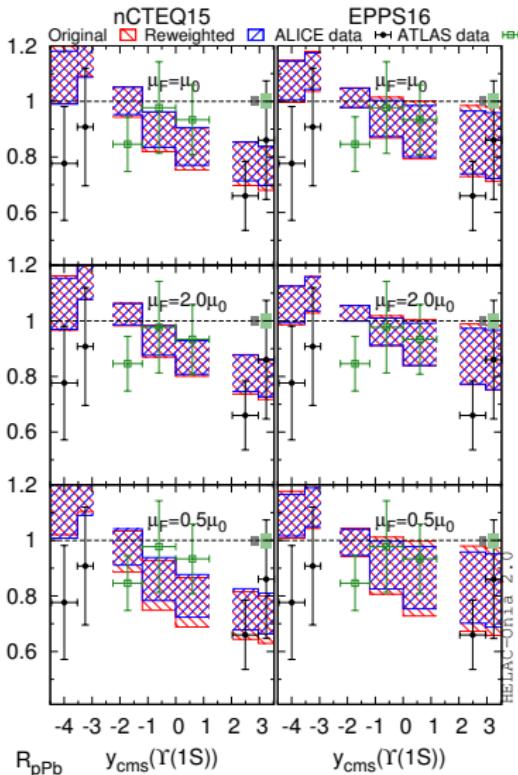
Reweighting with $B \rightarrow J/\psi$ data



LHCb [PLB 774 (2017) 159, 1706.07122]

- ▶ Scale uncertainty is reduced compared to the D^0 and J/ψ case.
- ▶ Data are not yet precise enough to give substantial constraints on nPDFs (but if the precision rises there is big potential).

Reweighting with $\Upsilon(1S)$ data

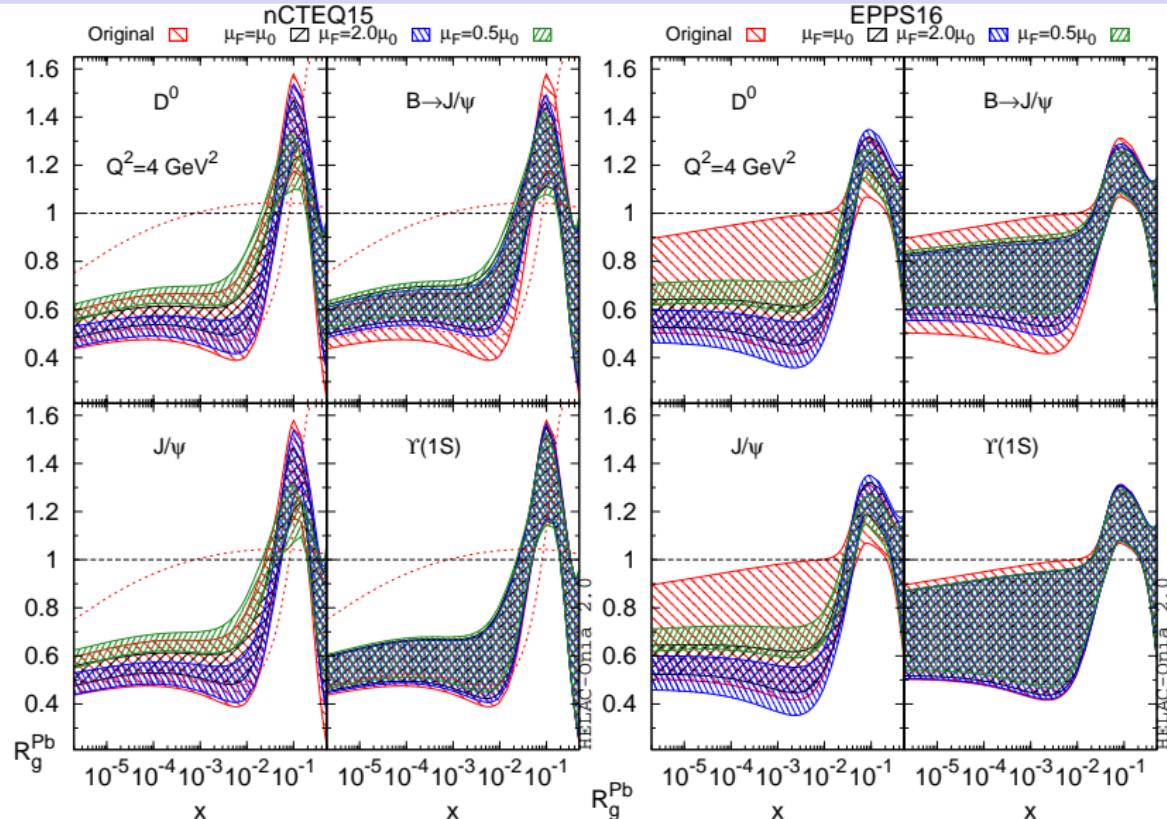


ALICE [PLB 740, 105 (2015), 1410.2234]

ATLAS [ATLAS-CONF-2015-050 (updated in: 1709.03089)]

- With the current precision we don't get any additional constraints on the nPDFs.

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Comments

- ▶ We observe global coherence of the data constraints: necessary condition to assume a shadowing-only approach.
- ▶ First clear experimental observation on gluon SHADOWING at low x ; visible reduction of the EPPS16 uncertainties; confirmation of the extrapolation done in nCTEQ15.
- ▶ Confirmation of the existence of a gluon anti-shadowing: $R_g(0.05 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.1) > 1$.
- ▶ The scale ambiguity for D^0 and J/ψ production is now the dominant uncertainty.
- ▶ Non-prompt J/ψ are really promising if improved data can be obtained.

Consistency with other data

We checked the consistency of the reweighted (nCTEQ15) nPDFs with other data sets entering global analysis:

- ▶ DIS data (the most precise set NMC Sn/C [[NPB 481 \(1996\) 23](#)]).
- ▶ LHC W/Z boson production data [[EPJC 77, \(2017\) 488](#)].
- ▶ PHENIX J/ψ $R_{d\text{Au}}$ data [[PRL 107 \(2011\) 142301](#); [PRC 87, \(2013\) 034904](#)].

This is very non-trivial and further confirms the “shadowing-only” hypothesis of leading twist factorization is valid within the current data precision!

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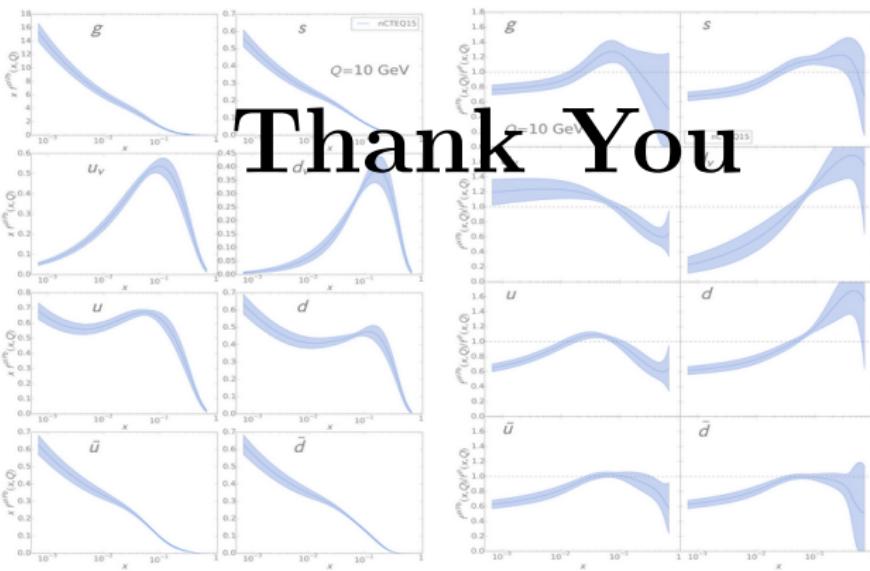
- ▶ Gluon nPDFs at low x are **extrapolated** (no low x data used in fits) → need for new constraints at $x \lesssim 10^{-3}$.
- ▶ We have proposed a **quick and robust method** to evaluate effects of heavy-quark data on nPDFs – complementary to full (but time consuming) pQCD computations
 - ▶ and used it to analyze D^0 , J/ψ , $B \rightarrow J/\psi$ and $\Upsilon(1S)$ data.
- ▶ We tested/validated a “**shadowing-only**” hypothesis based on leading twist factorization.
 - ▶ confirmed by the consistency between the used data sets and also with the earlier data.
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- ▶ We have showed that the heavy-quark data can improve our knowledge of the nuclear gluon distribution and it should be included in future nPDF fits.

nCTEQ

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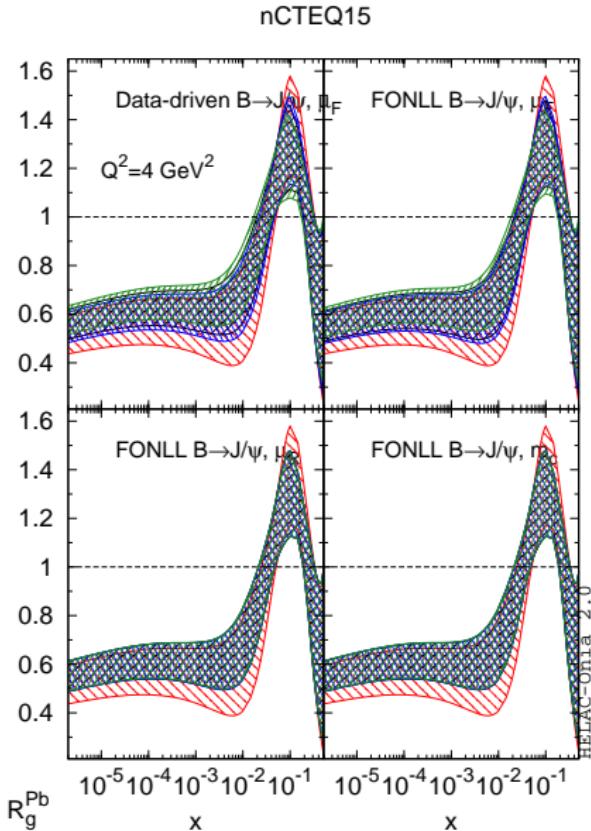
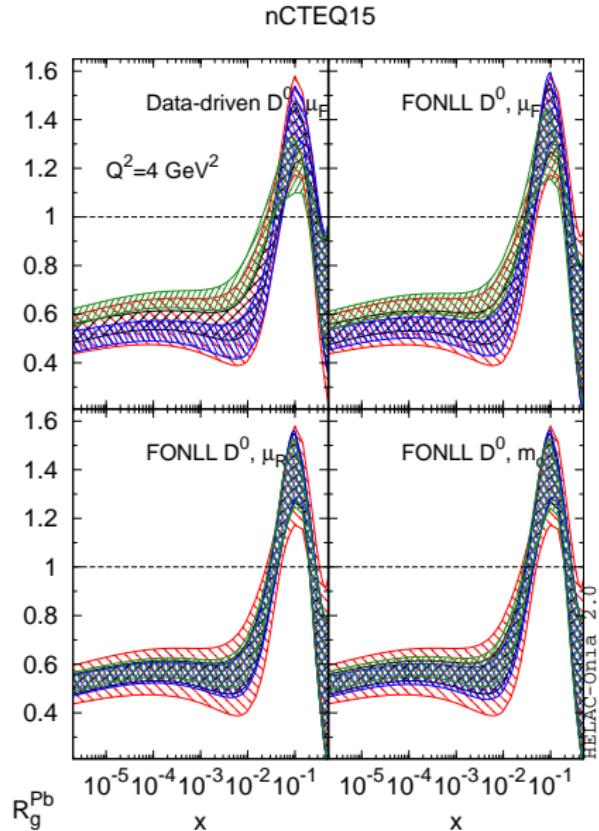
nCTEQ project is an extension of the CTEQ collaborative effort to determine parton distribution functions inside of a free proton. It generalizes the free-proton PDF framework to determine densities of partons in bound protons (hence nCTEQ which stands for nuclear CTEQ). All details on the framework 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)



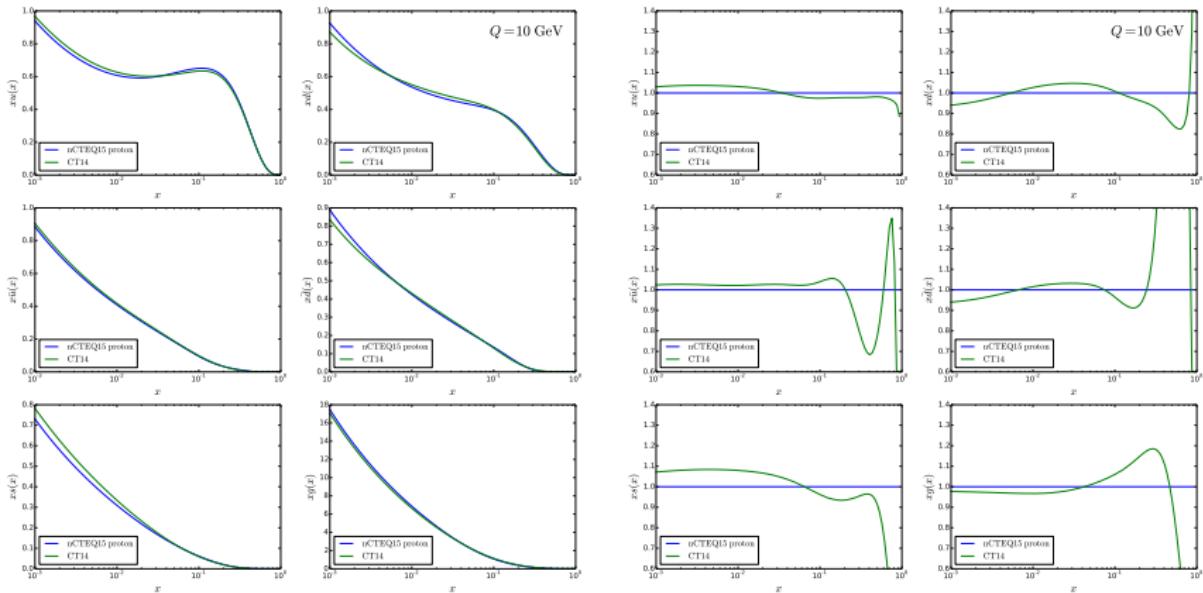
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BACKUP SLIDES

Data-driven vs. FONLL



CT10 vs. CTEQ6.1 PDFs



Consistency with other data

Table : χ^2/N_{data} values for nCTEQ15 nPDFs before and after reweighting using B , D , J/ψ data for different scale choices.

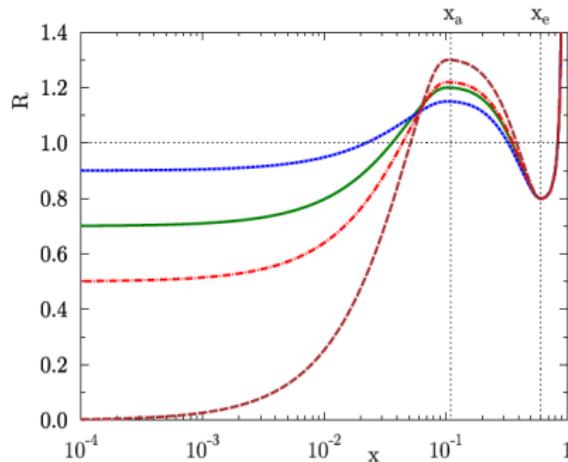
nCTEQ15		after reweighting								
		$B \mu_0$	B up	B down	$D \mu_0$	D up	D down	$J/\psi \mu_0$	J/ψ up	J/ψ down
W/Z LHC (102)	2.43	2.10	2.15	2.08	2.49	3.11	2.14	2.66	3.25	2.25
NMC F_2^{Sn}/F_2^C (111)	0.58	0.71	0.64	0.77	0.59	0.56	0.84	0.60	0.56	0.88
NMC F_2^{Pb}/F_2^C (14)	0.55	0.51	0.53	0.56	0.50	0.63	0.59	0.44	0.56	0.59
PHENIX $J/\psi R_{d\text{Au}}$	1.99							1.93	0.43	3.35

- Very little freedom at small x .

The fit function in EPS09:

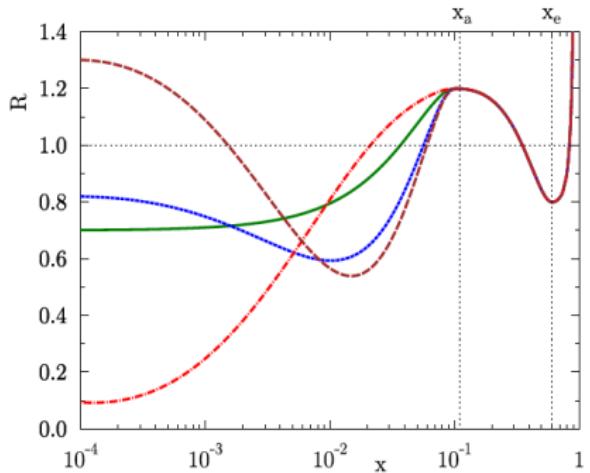
$$R^{\text{EPS09}}(x) = \begin{cases} a_0 + (a_1 + a_2 x)(e^{-x} - e^{-x_a}) & x \leq x_a \\ b_0 + b_1 x + b_2 x^2 + b_3 x^3 & x_a \leq x \leq x_e \\ c_0 + (c_1 - c_2 x)(1-x)^{-\beta} & x_e \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

(power-law parametrization of A -dependence at x_a , x_e , and $x \rightarrow 0$)



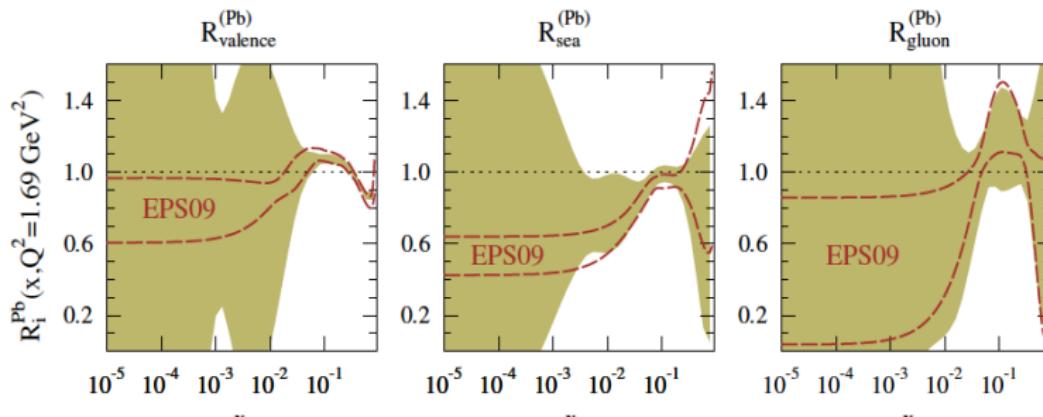
- Use a far more flexible form to reduce the bias at small x :

$$\begin{aligned} R(x \leq x_a) &= a_0 + a_1(x - x_a)^2 \\ &+ \sqrt{x}(x_a - x) \left[a_2 \log \left(\frac{x}{x_a} \right) + a_3 \log^2 \left(\frac{x}{x_a} \right) + a_4 \log^3 \left(\frac{x}{x_a} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$



New fit framework:

The baseline fit using the new fit functions: no control over small x !



The lower bound restricted here by $F_L(Q^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2, x > 10^{-5}) > 0$

Maybe against “physical intuition” (small- x theory predicts shadowing, $R_i < 1$), but consistent with the data.

E.g. in EPS09, small- x shadowing was essentially built in