

# PDF4LHC2021 Benchmarking

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# Introduction - PDF Landscape

- PDF4LHC15 was a 1 year benchmarking exercise of the CT14, MMHT14, NNPDF3.0 PDFs which resulted in a combination set.
- It has now been more than 5 years since the **PDF4LHC15** benchmarking exercise.
- Increasing amounts of **data** coming out of the LHC, **greater precision**, more channels, more differential  $\Rightarrow$  changes in PDFs.
- Many **theoretical improvements**  $\Rightarrow$  full NNLO predictions, methodological improvements (parameterisations, algorithms, etc).
- PDFs now known more accurately and precisely than ever before, but some **differences emerging**  $\Rightarrow$  **benchmarking needed**.
- We consider 3 global PDF fits most recent sets, which include much of the recent datasets: **MSHT20, CT18, NNPDF3.1**.

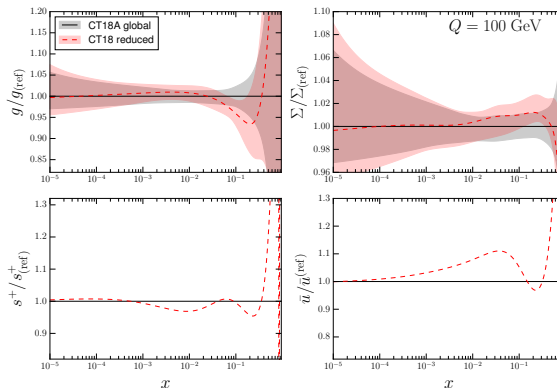
Work undertaken through many useful discussions, many thanks to all members involved.

# PDF Benchmarking: Aim and Approach

- Desire to understand **origin of differences**:
  - ▶ Are they due to **variations of experimental input, different theory settings, methodologies**? Are these equally valid choices?
- Seek to **remove as many differences in input/approach as possible**:
  - ▶ **Common input data** - Small subset of datasets  $\Rightarrow$  **reduced fits**.
  - ▶ **Common theory** settings wherever possible.
  - ▶ Examine methodological differences in parallel as much as possible.
- Reduced fits offer *ease of comparison at expense of robustness*.
- To benchmark the reduced fits:
  - ▶ Compare **PDFs** directly to look for areas of difference.
  - ▶ Compare  $\chi^2$  to determine particular datasets showing differences.
  - ▶ Compare cross-sections and point-by-point **theory predictions**.
- Once differences in reduced fits understood, **slowly add datasets moving towards global fits**, focusing on key areas of differences.
- End result: **PDF4LHC21** set of PDFs, central PDFs and Hessian error set (30-50 sufficient) representing the 3 published PDFs.

## Reduced Fits: CT18 reduced fit vs CT18A global fit

- Current Status:

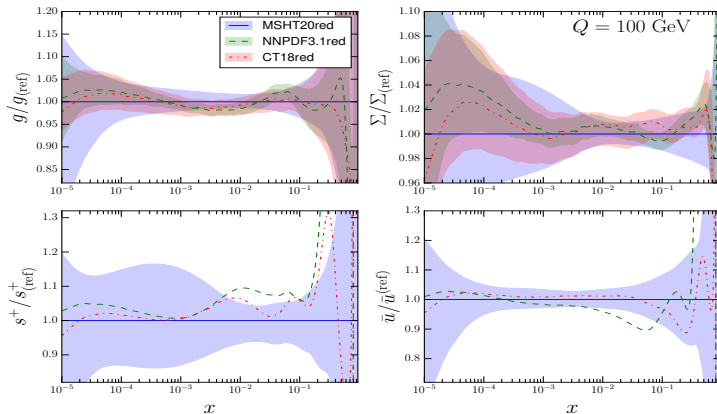


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## Reduced Fits PDF Comparison - central values

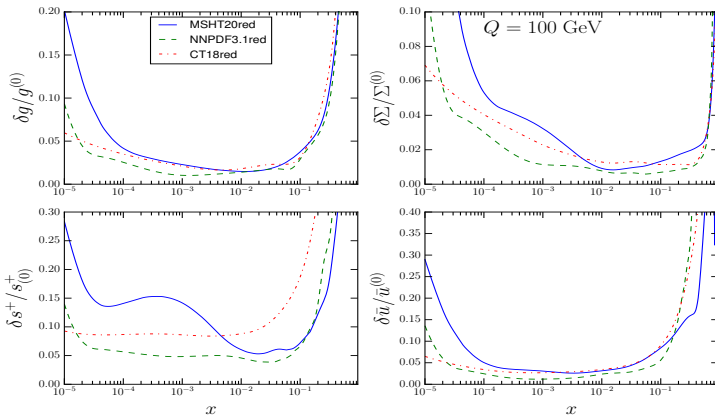
- Current Status:



- Good general agreement within uncertainties, perhaps with the exception of high  $x$  flavour decomposition of NNPDF.
- Nonetheless, strangeness and flavour decomposition improved through benchmarking (NuTeV - later). \*Note this is without the  $t\bar{t}$  added.

# Reduced Fits PDF Comparison - uncertainties

- Current Status:



- Similar size uncertainties in data regions, MSHT generally larger errors where constraints lacking in reduced fit.
- Parallel study into differences in uncertainty bands ongoing.

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Reduced Fits Datasets  $\chi^2$  Comparison

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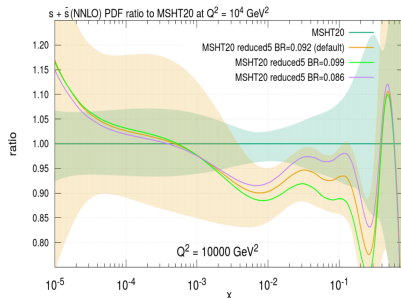
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Total	$N_{pt}$	—	2263	1991	2256
Total	$\chi^2/N_{pt}$	—	1.14	1.15	1.20

- Similar overall quality of fit in  $\chi^2/N$ .
- Differences remaining in some datasets:
  - ▶ NuTeV agreement improved but difference remains, seen in  $s + \bar{s}$ .
  - ▶ Some differences in NNPDF fit quality to small datasets, e.g. CMS 7 TeV electron asymmetry.

Table from T. Hobbs

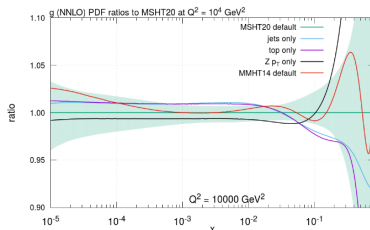
## Flavour Decomposition - Strangeness and NuTeV

- One of the main differences between the first reduced sets was in the **flavour decomposition and strangeness**.
- NuTeV dimuon data key driver of this, requires  $\text{BR}(c \text{ hadrons} \rightarrow \mu)$ .
- $\text{BR}(c \rightarrow \mu)$  anti-correlated with total strangeness, **3 groups have different default values**:
  - ▶ NNPDF  $0.087 \pm 0.005$
  - ▶ MSHT  $0.092 \pm 0.01$  variable.
  - ▶ CT 0.099, normalisation uncertainty.
- Choose same **BR fixed at 0.092**  $\Rightarrow$  **better strangeness agreement**, largely within uncertainties between all 3 groups.
- Also aids reduction in flavour decomposition differences.



High  $x$  gluon - jets and top

- High  $x$  gluon of interest to both reduced and global fits.
- Jet, top,  $Zp_T$  data, different pulls:
- Not straightforward to fit:
  - ▶ Difficulties fitting all bins.
  - ▶ Possible tensions.
  - ▶ Issue of correlated systematics.
- MSHT, CT, NNPDF - differences in relative importance and fit quality.

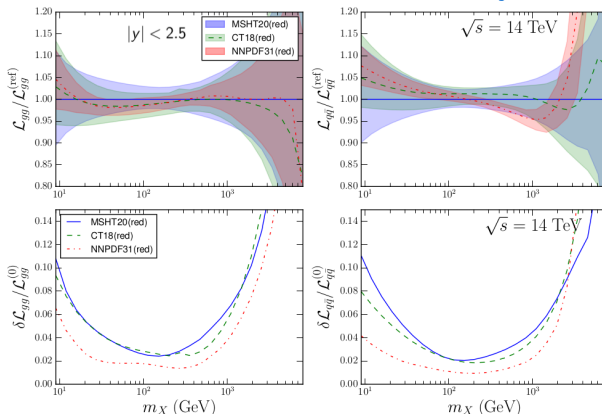


ATLAS 8 TeV multi-differential  $t\bar{t}$  lepton+jets -  $m_{t\bar{t}}, y_t, y_{t\bar{t}}, p_t^T$ .

- Weights and tensions with other datasets notably affect fit quality, removing these differences  $\Rightarrow$  similar behaviour can be observed.

Dataset (N)	MSHT reduced (default CMS8j)	MSHT reduced (CMS8j, double weight $t\bar{t}$ )	NNPDF reduced (default CMS8j)	MSHT reduced (CMS7j)	MSHT reduced (AT7j)	MSHT reduced (no jets)
$\chi^2/N$	1.15	1.15	1.20	1.11	1.17	1.12
$p_t^T$ (8)	3.8	4.2	7.2	4.0	4.6	4.5
$y_t$ (5)	8.4	5.8	4.3	6.4	5.5	5.2
$y_{t\bar{t}}$ (5)	12.5	7.4	5.7	7.2	5.2	6.6
$m_{t\bar{t}}$ (7)	6.4	6.5	2.4	6.4	6.4	7.4
$t\bar{t}$ total	31.2	23.9	19.6	24.0	21.6	23.8

## Reduced Fits: Current Status Summary\*



- **Very good agreement** in gluon-gluon, quark-quark and quark-gluon luminosities. (Latter two in backup slides).
- **Small difference in quark-antiquark luminosity**, still some flavour decomposition differences, although **within MSHT uncertainties**.

\*Note this is without the  $t\bar{t}$  added.

## Conclusions and Future Work

- New data, theoretical improvements, PDF methodological improvements have meant **substantial changes since PDF4LHC15**.
- We have been performing a benchmarking exercise of the 3 global fit PDF groups most recent sets: **MSHT20, CT18, NNPDF3.1**.
- Based on comparing “Reduced Fits”  $\Rightarrow$  **very good consistency** is now observed between the three groups, **particularly in luminosities**.
- Sources of **differences in reduced fit strangeness largely identified**.
- Currently **analysing high  $x$  gluon region** of interest, effects of dataset tensions and weights investigated.
- Overall **very good progress** towards benchmarking the global fits.
- End result: **PDF4LHC21 set of PDFs**, central PDFs and Hessian error set (30-50 sufficient) representing the 3 published PDFs.

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# Backup Slides



## Introduction - New Datasets (MSHT20)

LHCb  $W, Z$  data at high rapidity

CMS  $W+c$

Precision DY data

⇒ Flavour Decomposition

LHC Jet,  $Zp_T$ ,  $t\bar{t}$  data

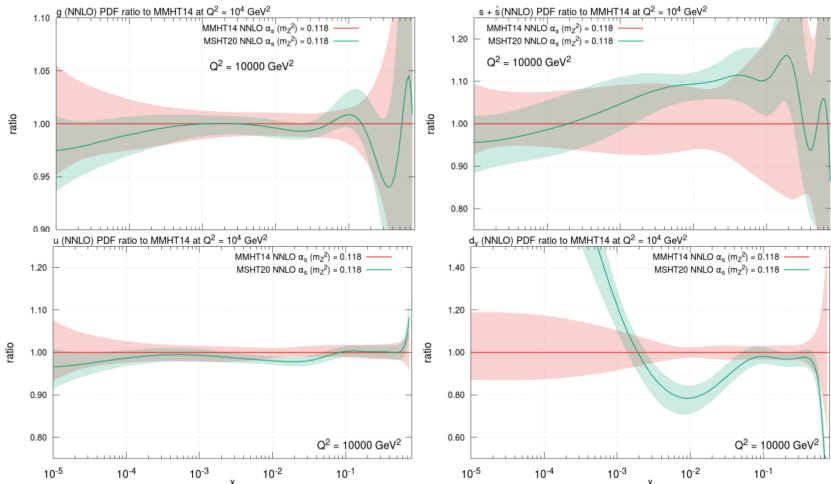
⇒ High  $\times$  gluon

Data set	Points	NLO $\chi^2/N_{pts}$	NNLO $\chi^2/N_{pts}$
DØ $W$ asymmetry	14	0.94 (2.53)	0.86 (14.7)
$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ [93] - [94]	17	1.34 (1.39)	0.85 (0.87)
LHCb 7+8 TeV $W+Z$ [95,96]	67	1.71 (2.35)	1.48 (1.55)
LHCb 8 TeV $Z \rightarrow ee$ [97]	17	2.29 (2.89)	1.54 (1.78)
CMS 8 TeV $W$ [98]	22	1.05 (1.79)	0.58 (1.30)
CMS 7 TeV $W+c$ [99]	10	0.82 (0.85)	0.86 (0.84)
ATLAS 7 TeV jets $R=0.6$ [18]	140	1.62 (1.59)	1.59 (1.68)
ATLAS 7 TeV $W+Z$ [20]	61	5.00 (7.62)	1.91 (5.58)
CMS 7 TeV jets $R=0.7$ [100]	158	1.27 (1.32)	1.11 (1.17)
ATLAS 8 TeV $Z p_T$ [75]	104	2.26 (2.31)	1.81 (1.59)
CMS 8 TeV jets $R=0.7$ [101]	174	1.64 (1.73)	1.50 (1.59)
ATLAS 8 TeV $t\bar{t} \rightarrow l+l$ sd [102]	25	1.56 (1.50)	1.02 (1.15)
ATLAS 8 TeV $t\bar{t} \rightarrow l^+l^-$ sd [103]	5	0.94 (0.82)	0.68 (1.11)
ATLAS 8 TeV high-mass DY [73]	48	1.79 (1.99)	1.18 (1.26)
ATLAS 8 TeV $W^+W^-$ + jets [104]	30	1.13 (1.13)	0.60 (0.57)
CMS 8 TeV $(d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/dp_{T,t}dy_t)/\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ [105]	15	2.19 (2.20)	1.50 (1.48)
ATLAS 8 TeV $W^+W^-$ [106]	22	3.85 (13.9)	2.61 (5.25)
CMS 2.76 TeV jets [107]	81	1.53 (1.59)	1.27 (1.39)
CMS 8 TeV $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/dy_t$ [108]	9	1.43 (1.02)	1.47 (2.14)
ATLAS 8 TeV double differential $Z$ [74]	59	2.67 (3.26)	1.45 (5.16)
Total, LHC data in MSHT20	1328	1.79 (2.18)	1.33 (1.77)
Total, non-LHC data in MSHT20	3035	1.13 (1.18)	1.10 (1.18)
Total, all data	4363	1.33 (1.48)	1.17 (1.36)

- Lots of new information constraining PDFs.

MSHT20, 2012.04684

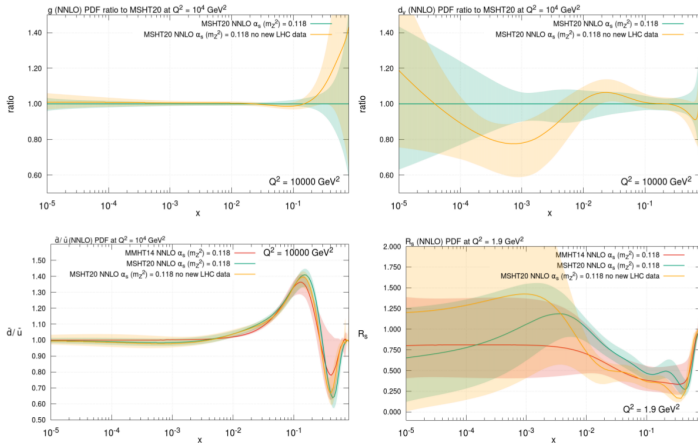
# Introduction - Changes in PDFs: MSHT20



- Notable changes in **strangeness** (ATLAS  $W, Z$  data), **down valence** (new data and parameterisation), **gluon** (new jets, top,  $Zp_T$  data).

More details in R. Thorne's MSHT20 talk.

# Effect of new LHC data in MSHT20



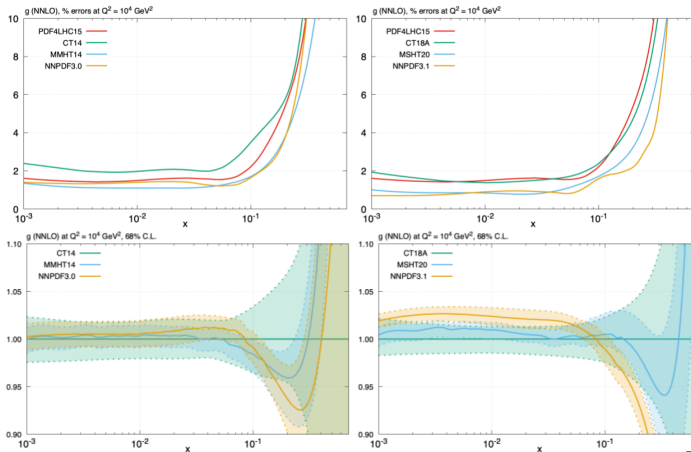
Main effect on details of flavour, i.e.  $d_v$  shape, increase in strange quark for  $0.001 < x < 0.3$  and  $\bar{d}, \bar{u}$  details, though also partially from parameterisation change. Decrease in high- $x$  gluon.

\*MSHT20 2012.04684.

Slide from R. Thorne

# Introduction - Changes in PDFs

## Gluon



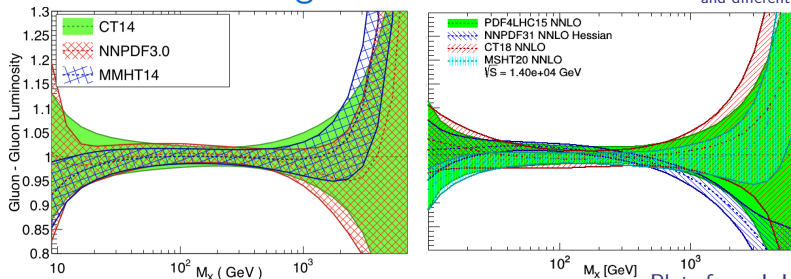
- **Reduction in PDF uncertainties** seen across all 3 groups.
- **Central value agreement not as good**, some differences emerging.

Note: CT18A shown for ease of comparison, however CT18 is the default set.

Plots from L. Harland-Lang

## Introduction - Changes in PDFs

N.B. Different baseline  
for ratio in two plots  
and different colours.



Plots from J. Huston

- Central value spread effects gluon-gluon luminosity.
- If these were to be combined à la PDF4LHC15, there will be some contribution to uncertainty from spread as well as the uncertainties.
- Motivates understanding these differences and their origin  
⇒ PDF4LHC21 benchmarking.
- New PDFs CT18, MSHT20, NNPDF3.1 ⇒ now is a good time to undertake a benchmarking exercise, ahead of new ⇒ PDF4LHC21 combination - feedback on what is ultimately provided is welcome!

## PDF Benchmarking: Datasets

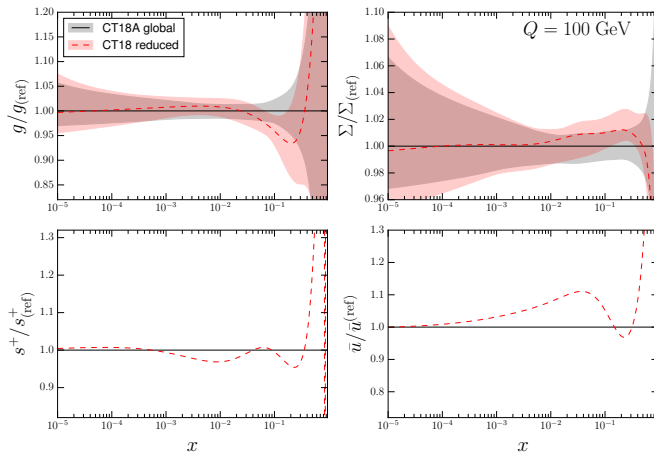
- Chosen subset of datasets fit by all 3 groups in (almost) the same way, list is surprisingly small! **Small reduced fit set.**
- Take **most conservative cuts** applied by any group for consistency.
- Ensure enough datasets and a sufficient variety of dataset types are fit to have **some** (but incomplete) **constraints on all PDF flavours.**
- Overall list:
  - ▶ NMC deuteron to proton ratio in DIS.
  - ▶ NuTeV dimuon cross-sections.
  - ▶ HERA I+II inclusive cross-sections from DIS.
  - ▶ E866 fixed target Drell-Yan ratio  $pd/pp$  data.
  - ▶ D0  $Z$  rapidity distribution.
  - ▶ ATLAS  $W, Z$  7 TeV rapidity distribution, only  $Z$  peak and central.
  - ▶ CMS 7 TeV  $W$  asymmetry.
  - ▶ CMS 8 TeV inclusive jet data.
  - ▶ LHCb 7, 8 TeV  $W, Z$  rapidity distributions.
  - ▶ BCDMS proton and deuteron DIS data.

## PDF Benchmarking: Theory Settings

- Choose **common theory settings** for simplicity:
  - ▶ Same heavy quark masses ( $m_c = 1.4\text{GeV}$ ,  $m_b = 4.75\text{GeV}$ ) and  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2) = 0.118$ .
  - ▶ No strangeness asymmetry at input scale:  $(s - \bar{s})(Q_0) = 0$ .
  - ▶ Perturbative charm.
  - ▶ Positive definite quark distributions (lack of constraint may allow negative fluctuations).
  - ▶ No deuteron or nuclear corrections.
  - ▶ Fixed branching ratio for charm hadrons to muons.
  - ▶ NNLO corrections for dimuon data.
- Note: These are not the chosen settings for any one group, but rather are a compromise to the least common denominator in each case, *we would not recommend them for a full global fit*.

# Reduced Fits: CT18 changes - central values

- Current Status:

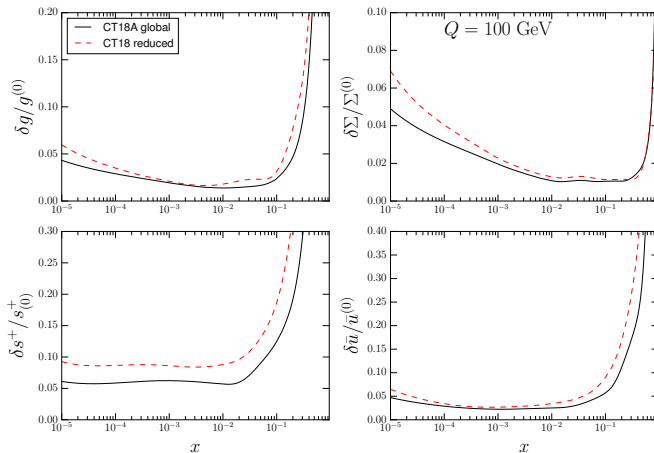


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# Reduced Fits: CT18 changes - uncertainties

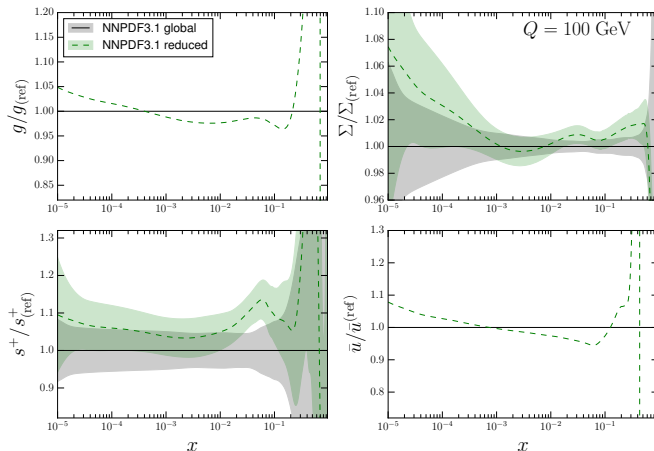
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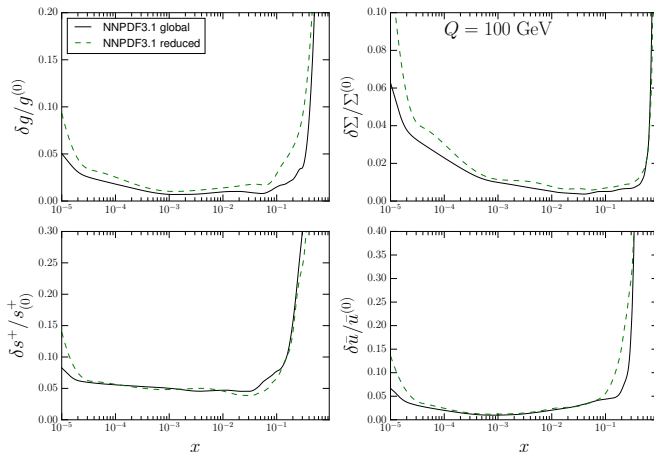
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- Good compatibility, changes in strangeness (see later) and change in large  $x$  gluon (removal of top data, addition of CMS 8 TeV jet).

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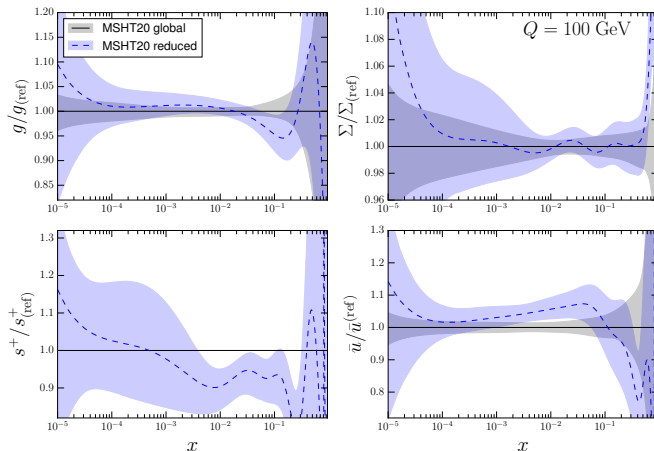
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- Generally **slightly increased uncertainties**, particularly for the **gluon**.

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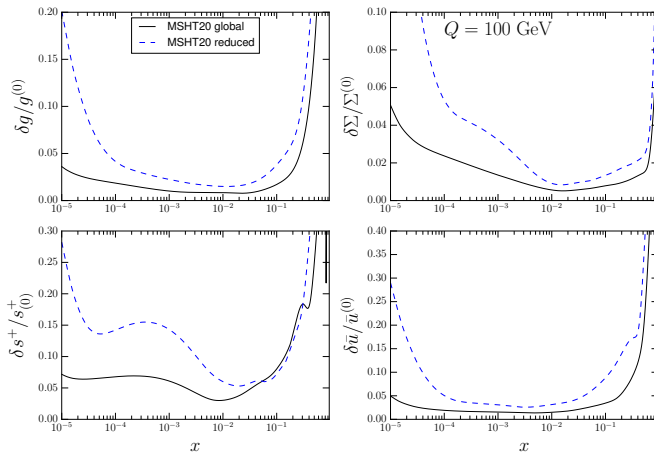
- Current Status:



- Good compatibility, changes in strangeness (removal of 8 TeV ATLAS  $W, Z$  data), flavour decomposition and large  $x$  gluon.

# Reduced Fits: MSHT20 changes - uncertainties

- Current Status:



- General marked **increase in uncertainties** of reduced fit, particularly outside of regions where there are data.

# PDF4LHC15 in Predictions Datasets $\chi^2$ Comparison

- First make predictions with PDF4LHC15 PDFs, identifies any differences in theory/data between groups with fixed PDFs.

- Current status:

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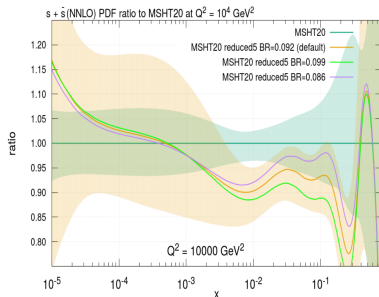
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- Similar overall quality of fit for MSHT and CT in  $\chi^2/N$ , NNPDF significantly larger  $\chi^2/N$ .
- Differences in some datasets:
  - Difference in NNPDF HERA  $\chi^2$  - flavour scheme, disappears in fit.

## Flavour Decomposition - Strangeness and NuTeV

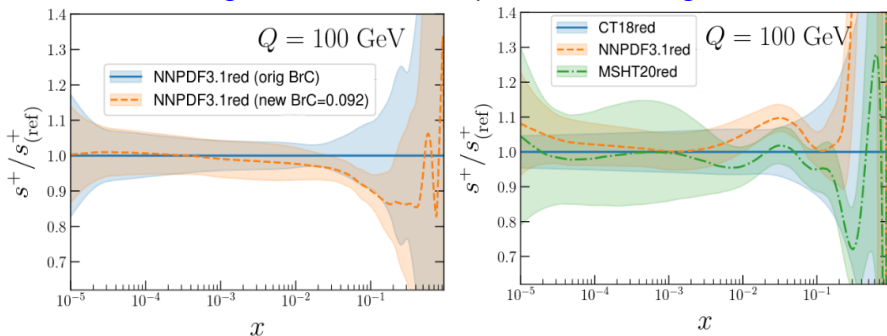
- One of the main differences between the first reduced sets was in the **flavour decomposition and strangeness**.
- NuTeV dimuon data key driver of this, complicated dataset:
  - Requires knowledge of **charm**  $\rightarrow$  **hadrons branching ratio (BR)**.
  - Non-isoscalar** nature of target.
  - Prefers non-zero strangeness asymmetry.
  - Acceptance corrections** required.
- $\text{BR}(c \rightarrow \mu)$  anti-correlated with total strangeness, **3 groups have different default values**:
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- MSHT20 reduced fit  $\chi^2/N$ :

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NuTeV Dimuon	58.8/71	49.6/71	68.5/71
ATLAS 7 TeV $W, Z$	60.8/34	65.1/34	57.1/34



## Flavour Decomposition - Strangeness and NuTeV

- Setting all variables the same in all 3 fits - same **Dimuon BR fixed at 0.092**, all treat non-isoscalarity, same acceptance corrections.
- **NNPDF** strangeness reduced as expected, **CT** strangeness increases.



- **Better strangeness agreement**, certainly in data region, now largely within uncertainties between all 3 groups.
- Also aids reduction in flavour decomposition differences.

Plots from J. Rojo

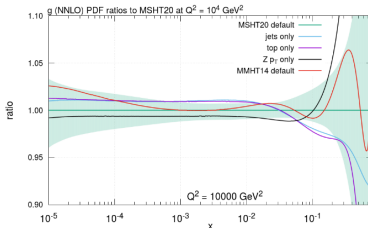


## High $x$ gluon - jets and top

- High  $x$  gluon of interest to both reduced and global fits.

- 3 main dataset types - jet data, top data,  $Zp_T$  data, different pulls:

- Not straightforward to fit:
  - ▶ Difficulties fitting all bins.
  - ▶ Possible tensions.
  - ▶ Issue of correlated systematics.



- MSHT, CT, NNPDF observe differences in the relative importance of these datasets and the quality of their individual fits

ATLAS 8 TeV multi-differential  $t\bar{t}$  lepton+jets -  $m_{t\bar{t}}, y_t, y_{t\bar{t}}, p_t^T$ .

- Several groups have had difficulties fitting this data, either together (MSHT, CT) or  $y_t$  or  $y_{t\bar{t}}$  individually (MSHT, CT, ATLAS).
- NNPDF3.0 however able to fit all 4 distributions well individually.

# ATLAS 8 TeV multi-differential $t\bar{t}$ lepton+jets

- Start by adding this to the reduced fit, first **check theory predictions for PDF4LHC15 read in (no fitting)**:
  - Data agree and theory agrees to better than 1%.
  - All groups  $\chi^2$  in agreement and follow same pattern:

Distribution/N	MSHT	CT	NNPDF
$p_t^T/8$	3.0	3.1	3.4
$y_t/5$	10.6	10.1	9.5
$y_{tt}/5$	17.6	15.3	16.2
$m_{tt}/7$	4.3	4.2	4.1

- Differences in global fits **likely not from  $t\bar{t}$  theory implementations**.
- Weights and tensions with other datasets** notably affect fit quality, removing these differences  $\Rightarrow$  similar behaviour can be observed.

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## Benchmarking ATLAS 8 TeV $t\bar{t}$ lepton+jets

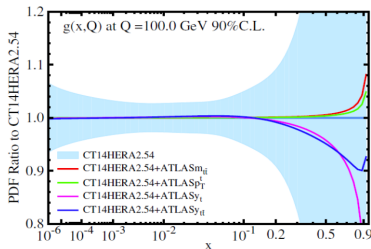
- *What happens when this dataset is added to the reduced fits?*
- Two cases considered - “uncorrelated” (all systematic and statistical correlations between distributions turned off) and “correlated” (including all correlations, produces a very poor fit):

Distribution/N	$p_t^T/8$	$y_t/5$	$y_{t\bar{t}}/5$	$m_{t\bar{t}}/7$	Total
MSHT uncorrelated	3.8	8.4	12.5	6.4	31.2
NNPDF uncorrelated	7.2	3.9	5.1	2.5	18.7
CT uncorrelated	3.4	12.9	17.3	6.1	39.7
MSHT correlated	-	-	-	-	130.6
NNPDF correlated	-	-	-	-	122.7
MSHT decorrelated	-	-	-	-	35.3

- MSHT observe usual pattern as in global fits,  $p_t^T$  and  $m_{t\bar{t}}$  can be fit but  $y_t$ ,  $y_{t\bar{t}}$  struggle, although better than in full fit. Awful fit if all correlations included, can fit with parton shower decorrelation.
- CT see usual global fit pattern also, poor fits to rapidities  $y_t$ ,  $y_{t\bar{t}}$ .
- NNPDF however able to fit rapidity distributions in uncorrelated case, yet correlated case similar to MSHT.

# Benchmarking ATLAS 8 TeV $t\bar{t}$ lepton+jets Preliminary!

- Potential explanation **division of training and validation in NNPDF.**
- Training fraction usually 50%, for small datasets this is unfeasible - all data in training.
- Potentially **double-weights small datasets** - e.g. ATLAS  $t\bar{t}$ .
- Affects **balance of  $p_t^T$ ,  $m_{t\bar{t}}$  and  $y_t$ ,  $y_{t\bar{t}}$** , which have some tension.



Dataset	MSHT uncorrelated	NNPDF uncorrelated	MSHT uncorrelated double weight
Total	2314.1	2731.4	2313.3
$\chi^2/N$	1.15	1.20	1.15
DYratio (15)	9.5	5.2	9.2
CMS $W$ asym. (11)	14.2	8.2	10.2
$p_t^T$ (8)	3.8	7.2	4.2
$y_t$ (5)	8.4	4.3	5.8
$y_{t\bar{t}}$ (5)	12.5	5.7	7.4
$m_{t\bar{t}}$ (7)	6.4	2.4	6.5
$t\bar{t}$ total	31.2	19.6	23.9

- May also explain NNPDF better fit of E866 DYratio data and CMS  $W$  charge asymmetry data (15 and 11 points respectively):

# Benchmarking ATLAS 8 TeV $t\bar{t}$ lepton+jets Preliminary!

- Additional explanations are **other datasets included - tensions?**
- NNPDF-3.0 had little jet data. NNPDF-4.0 will have much more, it sees similar issues as MSHT, CT, ATLAS for this dataset.
- Useful to **consider different jet datasets** as well as CMS 8 TeV jets\*:

Dataset (N)	MSHT reduced (default CMS8j)	MSHT reduced + CMS7j	MSHT reduced + AT7j	MSHT reduced (CMS7j only)	MSHT reduced (AT7j only)	MSHT reduced (no jets)
$\chi^2/N$	1.15	1.15	1.18	1.11	1.17	1.12
CMS 8 TeV jets (174)	243.6	247.2	249.9	-	-	-
CMS 7 TeV jets (158)	-	163.5	-	156.4	-	-
ATLAS 7 TeV jets (140)	-	-	225.7	-	210.4	-
$p_t^T$ (8)	3.8	4.0	4.3	4.0	4.6	4.5
$y_t$ (5)	8.4	7.3	7.3	6.4	5.5	5.2
$y_{tt}$ (5)	12.5	9.8	10.2	7.2	5.2	6.6
$m_{tt}$ (7)	6.4	6.4	7.0	6.4	6.4	7.4
$t\bar{t}$ total	31.2	27.5	28.8	24.0	21.6	23.8

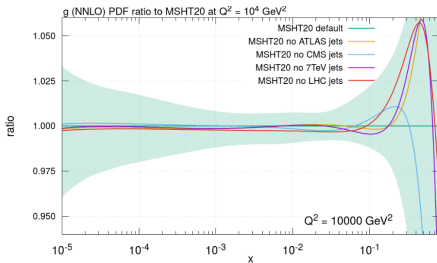
- Tensions between CMS 8 TeV jets and ATLAS, CMS 7 TeV jets.

- Similar **tensions with ATLAS 8 TeV  $t\bar{t}$** , specifically the rapidity distributions, which **favour lower gluon**.

\* Note "uncorr" case shown, systematic correlations not included, same pattern observed in "corr" case.

## High $x$ gluon - Jet tensions

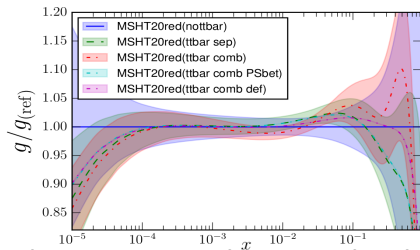
- Not only tensions between different dataset types at high  $x$ , also tensions within dataset types, e.g. between different jet measurements.
- ATLAS 7 TeV jets pulls gluon down at high  $x$ , whereas CMS jets (mainly 8 TeV) pull gluon up.
- Global fit is a balance between these different pulls and those of  $Zp_T$ ,  $t\bar{t}$  datasets here.



† MSHT20, TC, S. Bailey, L. Harland-Lang, A. Martin, R. Thorne 2012.04684

# ATLAS 8 TeV multi-differential $t\bar{t}$ lepton+jets Preliminary!

- What effect does the inclusion of this data in the reduced fit have on the gluon?

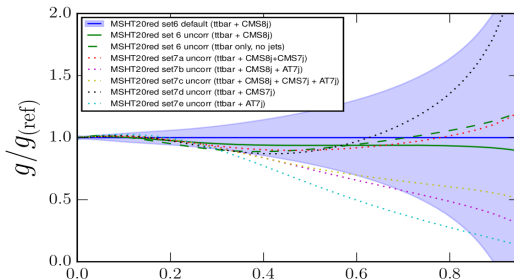


- Fitting all 4 distributions separately, uncorrelated  $\Rightarrow$  gluon moves down at high  $x$ , driven by the rapidity data.
- Applying correlations  $\Rightarrow$  gluon raised and shape altered at high  $x$ .
- Decorrelating parton shower between distributions  $\Rightarrow$  reverts the gluon to shape obtained when all 4 separately uncorrelated fitted.
- Additionally decorrelating within distributions  $\Rightarrow$  moves gluon closer to fit without  $t\bar{t}$  data as its constraining power is reduced.
- Overall, gluon shape moves in direction of global fit gluon.

# ATLAS 8 TeV $t\bar{t}$ with various jet datasets: gluon

- What effect does the inclusion of various other jet datasets in addition to the  $t\bar{t}$  have on the gluon?

Very Preliminary!



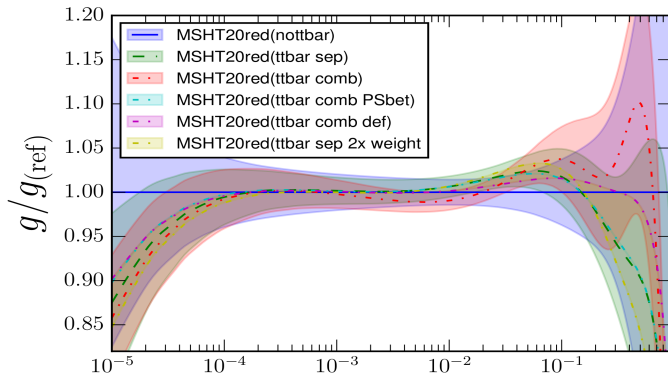
- $t\bar{t}$  improves when gluon pulled down, as does ATLAS 7 TeV jets and CMS 7 TeV jets (although it pulls gluon back up at highest  $x$ ), CMS 8 TeV jets improves when gluon pulled up.
- Decorrelation reduces impact of data on gluon so it is pulled down less than the "uncorr" case and jet datasets worsen (7 TeV) / improve (8 TeV) accordingly.



# ATLAS 8 TeV multi-differential $t\bar{t}$ lepton+jets gluon

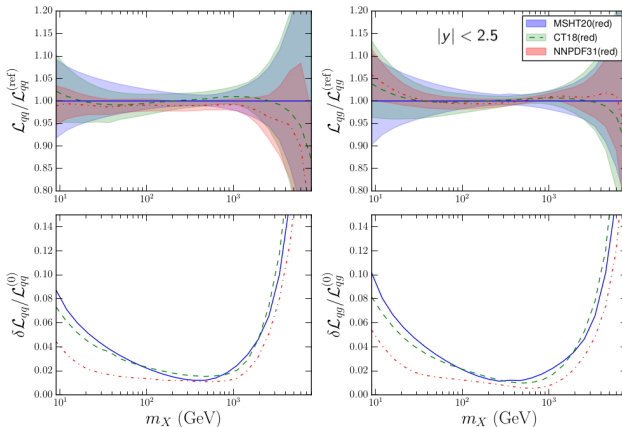
- What effect does the inclusion of this data in the reduced fit have on the gluon?

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- Double weighting (yellow) pulls gluon further in direction of rapidity pull (lower at high  $x$ ) as expected.

# Reduced Fits: Current Status Summary\*



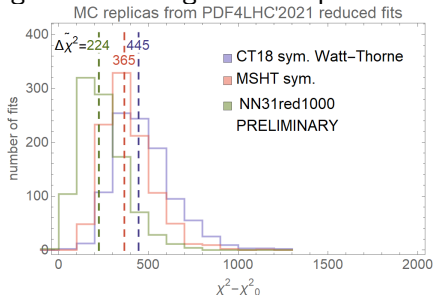
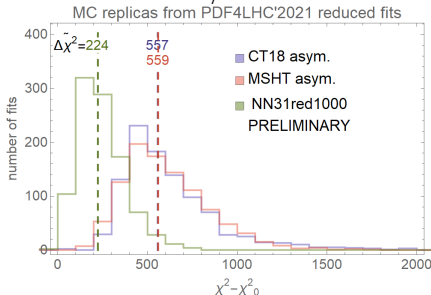
- **Very good agreement** in the gluon-gluon, quark-quark and quark-gluon luminosities.
- **Small difference in quark-antiquark luminosity**, still some flavour decomposition differences, **although within MSHT uncertainties**.

\*Note this is without the  $t\bar{t}$  added.

# Reduced Fits $\chi^2$ replica distributions

Preliminary!

- As well as the overall PDFs, can analyse  $\chi^2$ .
- Can use CT/MSHT reduced fit eigenvectors to generate replicas.



- Overall distributions of reduced fits replicas **similar between CT and MSHT**, particularly non-symmetrised versions.
- Symmetrised versions in better agreement** with NNPDF but still different.
- Some limited qualitative agreement** at least for symmetrised case.

Plots from P. Nadolsky

## Deuteron and Nuclear Corrections in MSHT20

- Several older DIS datasets use deuteron or heavy nuclear targets.
- Deuteron data required to fully separate  $u$ ,  $d$  at moderate-large  $x$ .
- Heavy nuclear data, via C.C. scattering, required for more constraints on flavour decomposition and strange (dimuon data).
- Deuteron correction is 4-parameter prefactor to usual average of  $p$  and  $n$ :

$$F^d(x, Q^2) = c(x) [F^p(x, Q^2) + F^n(x, Q^2)] / 2,$$

$$c(x) = (1 + 0.01N) [1 + 0.01c_1 \ln^2(x_p/x)], \quad x < x_p,$$

$$c(x) = (1 + 0.01N) [1 + 0.01c_2 \ln^2(x/x_p) + 0.01c_3 \ln^{20}(x/x_p)], \quad x > x_p,$$

- Nuclear correction is prefactor\*: \*de Florian et al arXiv:1112.6324.

$$f^A(x, Q^2) = R_f(x, Q^2, A) f(x, Q^2).$$

- This is multiplied by a 3-parameter modification function to allow penalty-free change in shape and/or normalisation.
- Both deuteron and nuclear corrections prefer modifications of 1%.  
More details on all of this in MMHT14 1412.3989, MSHT20 2012.04684.

## PDF4LHC21 Benchmarking Summary:

- Great amounts of new data, theoretical improvements, PDF methodological improvements have meant **substantial changes since PDF4LHC15**.
- We have been performing a benchmarking exercise of the 3 global fit PDF groups most recent sets: **MSHT20, CT18, NNPDF3.1**.
- Based on comparing “Reduced Fits” with common dataset and common theory settings where possible.
- Goal of exercise is the understanding of differences which have emerged in PDF central values and uncertainties.  
⇒ **Good progress**.
- End result: **PDF4LHC21 set of PDFs**, central PDFs and Hessian error set (30-50 sufficient) representing the 3 published PDFs.
- **We welcome suggestions, feedback and discussion!**

More details on all of this in the slides!

## Questions for Experimentalists/Users:

- Are there **any lessons from experience with PDF4LHC15** we can take into account?
- Now would be the time to account for these before the benchmarking is finished and combination is performed...
- What form should the output set be provided in? E.g. Hessian and/or MC replicas?
- Are there **additional variation sets** we could consider providing?
  - ▶ Effect of **perturbative vs fitted charm**: Relevant for NNPDF. Use in providing alternative set with all perturbative charm?
  - ▶ **Small  $\alpha_s$  resummation effects**, effects low  $x$  gluon, could be relevant for 100TeV collider? PDF4100TeV?
  - ▶ Any need for such sets or others (inclusive jets vs dijets for example)?
- **We welcome suggestions, feedback and discussion!**