HERAPDF fits update

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We have more combined H1 + ZEUS data:

The low energy run data which was used to measure FL has been combined The F2(charm) data has been combined

AND

STOP PRESS anouncement: HERA-II inclusive cross-section combination to go preliminary at ICHEP2010

This talk

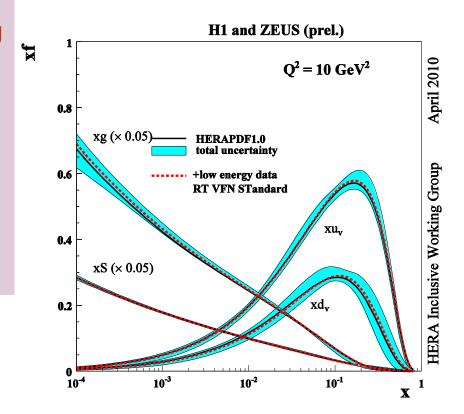
- HERA-I plus low energy run data from DIS10 and beyond
- NNLO fits to be made publically available
- •HERA-I plus F2(charm) data- from DIS10
- •HERA-1 plus F2(charm) plus low energy run data- post DIS10

Add combined data from runs at lower energies to the HERA-1 fit using the standard formalism

No significant difference at first sight

AND no great improvement in experimental PDF uncertainties either...

In fact model dependent PDF uncertainties may even have increased...



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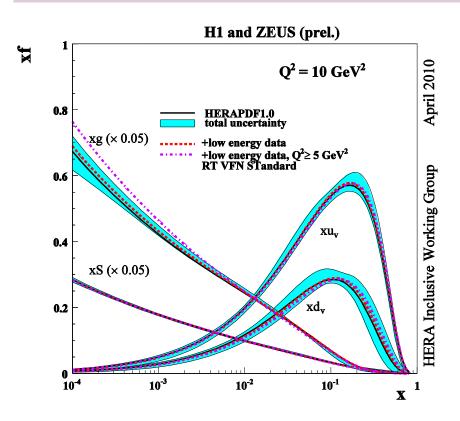
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Standard VFN

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Perform all the usual model and parametrisation changes:

One change makes a significant difference- raising Q² minimum to 5 GeV²



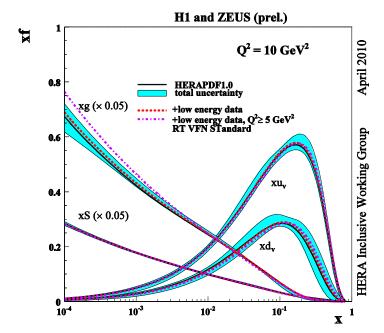
And it also improves the χ^2 for NCe+p

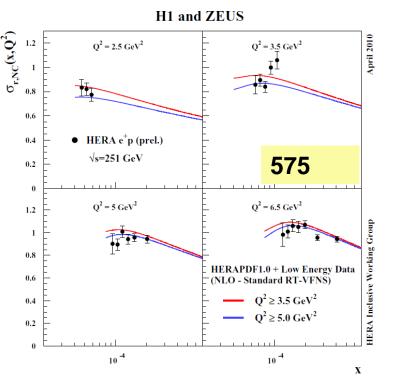
for both the low energy run data and the older HERA-I data

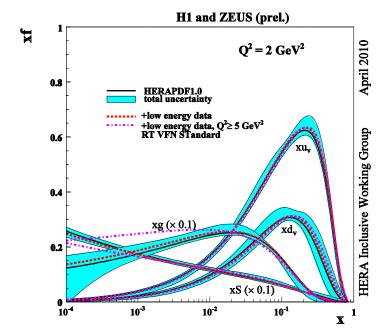
But it's the low energy data which pull the central values outside the error band

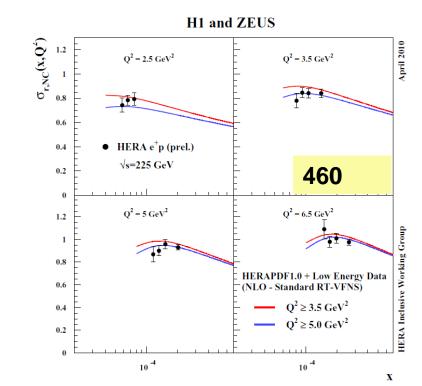
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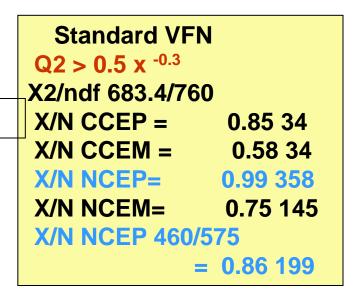


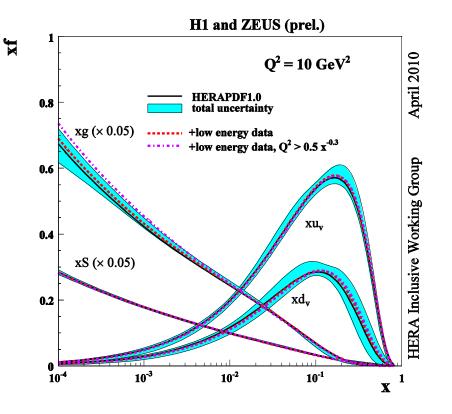
Since kinematically low Q^2 is also at low-x we tried an x cut $x > 5 \cdot 10^{-4}$, which had a similar effect

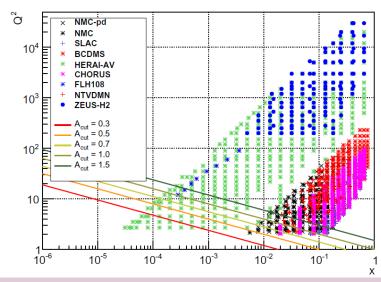
POST DIS10

And if we make a combined Q2/x cut

 $Q^2 > A x^{-0.3}$ (saturation inspired cut of Caola et al)







This suggests that there is something not ideally fitted by NLO DGLAP at small x/Q²

Now investigate the effect of changes to the formalism

First of all charm treatment- there are different choices of heavy quark scheme

Look at OPTIMAL RT-VFN which has a smoother threshold behaviour

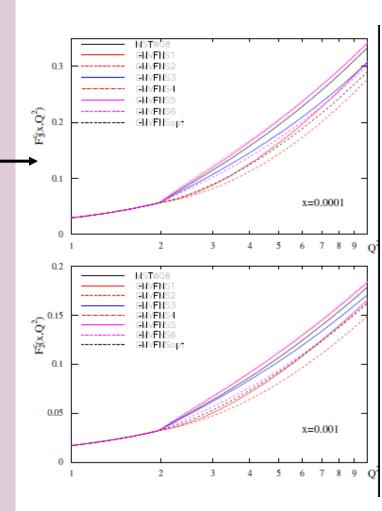
Also look at ACOT-VFN AND FFN fits

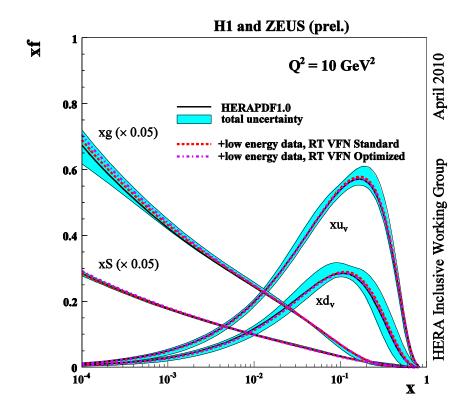
The OPTIMAL result is very close to the standard result

The ACOT- VFN gives a better χ2 for both ACOT-χ and full ACOT

The FFN also gives a better $\chi 2$ --- it seems to give a better fit to the low energy data by changing the gluon while leaving the sea more or less alone..

...but treat it with caution- no CC data- frozen parameters etc





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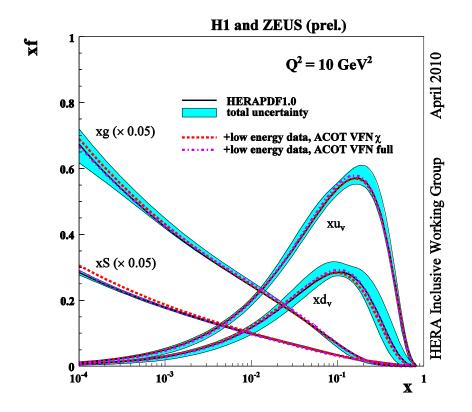
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Now TRY Fixed Flavour Number fits

These are needed because HVQDIS which is used to extract F₂ (charm) from D* production uses FFN

However we CANNOT fit Charged Current data – no readily usable FFN NLO coefficient functions are available for F_2 or xF_3 and although the scale is high for HERA CC data one cannot just use Zero Mass VFN for CC- the problem is that there is no charm PDF and so the process W+c \rightarrow s is missing and no coefficient function is making up for this!

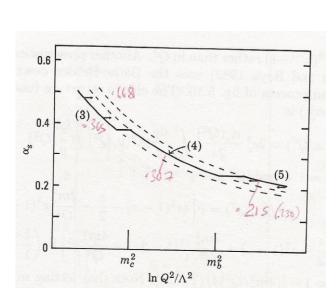
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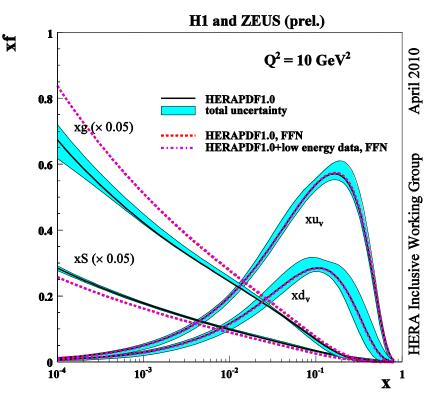
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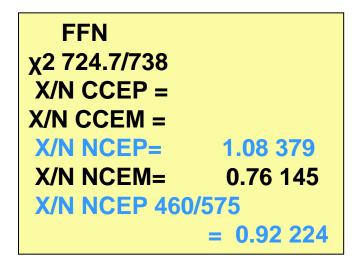
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The FFN gluon is expected to be very different from the VFN one

BUT all of these schemes show a similar effect when low-x/Q² cuts are applied – the gluon becomes significantly steeper after the cut

IF low Q² is not well fit perhaps we need more evolution at low Q²--- so investigate fits at NNLO

BUT first consider that $\alpha_s(M_z)=0.1176$ is probably not ideal for NNLO

NNLO fits to HERA-I data give:

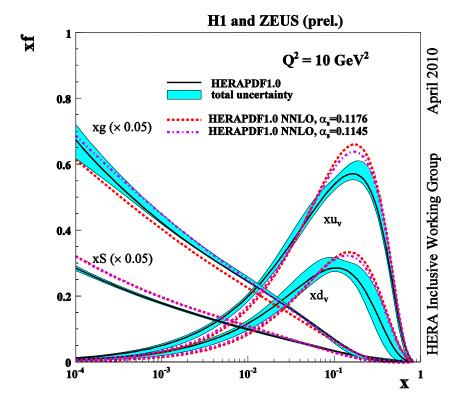
First fit $\alpha_s(M_z)$ for NLO \rightarrow 0.1166 0.0044(exp) $\chi 2 = 574.8 / 592$

Then fit $\alpha_s(M_z)$ at NNLO \rightarrow 0.1145 0.0042(exp) χ 2= 623.5 /592

The errors are large (we hope to improve with jets +HERA-2)-

For NLO the preference of the data is compatible with what we usually use.

For NNLO it is not incompatible but it is somewhat further away so I have considered NNLO at $\alpha_s(M_z)$ =0.1176 and at 0.1145



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NNLO just HERA-I
\alpha_{\rm S}(M_{\rm Z})=0.1176
X2/ndf 638.3/592
X/N CCEP =
                   1.07 34
X/N CCEM =
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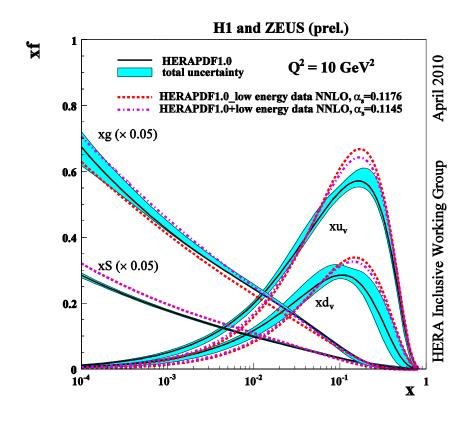
NOTE that NNLO PDFs are supposed to look different from NLO: gluon evolution is slower, whereas sea evolution is faster.

These NNLO PDFs are now available from the H1/ZEUS combination web-site

Now add low energy data

NNLO- +low-E data
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Given that χ2 for the NCEP data are NOT better at NNLO than they were at NLO our 'problem' with the low Q2/low-x data is not solved by the move to NNLO



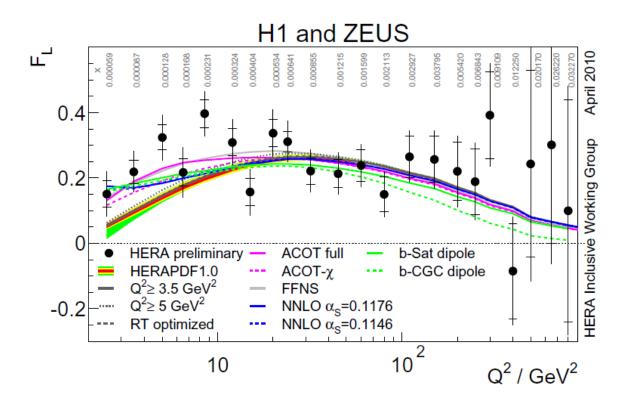
We could pursue this into making cuts at NNLO as well (and I have done so- see extras) ..

But let us summarise for now

Low Energy data brings a new feature:

It is not fit as well as it could be at low Q^2/x The problem is at: $x < 5 \cdot 10^{-4}$, $Q^2 < 5$; $Q^2 < 0.5x^{-0.3}$ Imposing Q^2/x cuts changes the shape of the low-x gluon —

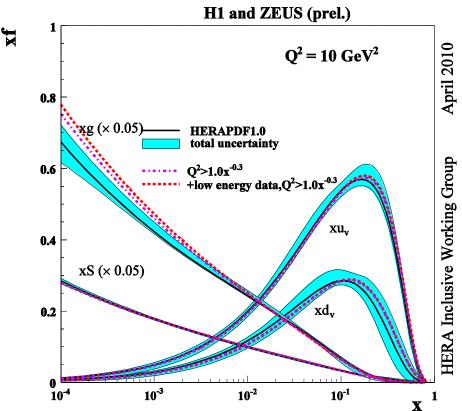
BUT NOTE it is NOT a very high y effect and these cuts do NOT have a big effect on the description of the FL-averaged plot- the changes of scheme to ACOT, FFN or NNLO matter more for this



The real question is: if low energy data has brought something new –that doesn't seem to follow DGLAP very well either at NLO or at NNLO- and that is also present (though not as strongly) in the 920 data- how hard do we have to cut to go beyond this suspect region? We want to ensure that the 920 and lower energy data are giving the same results

The saturation inspired cut achieves this goal for A=1.0

The HERA-1 data and HERA-1+ low-energy data fits now look similar



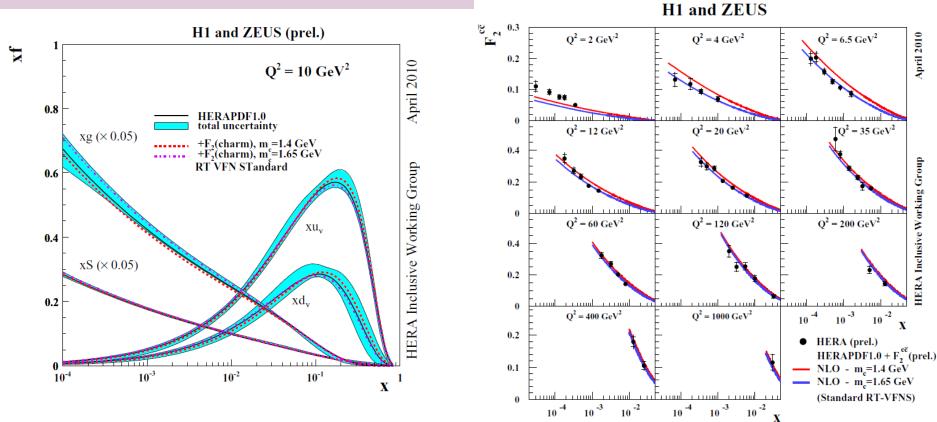
This implies that the 'true' gluon could be a little bit steeper than the HERAPDF1.0 gluon

NOTE: this effect only starts to become important for $x < 10^{-3}$ so W/Z cross-sections at the LHC are only marginally affected- 1-1.5% up at 7 TeV ~1.5-2% at 14 TeV

Add combined F2(charm) data to the HERA-1 fit using the standard formalism

No significant difference at first sight

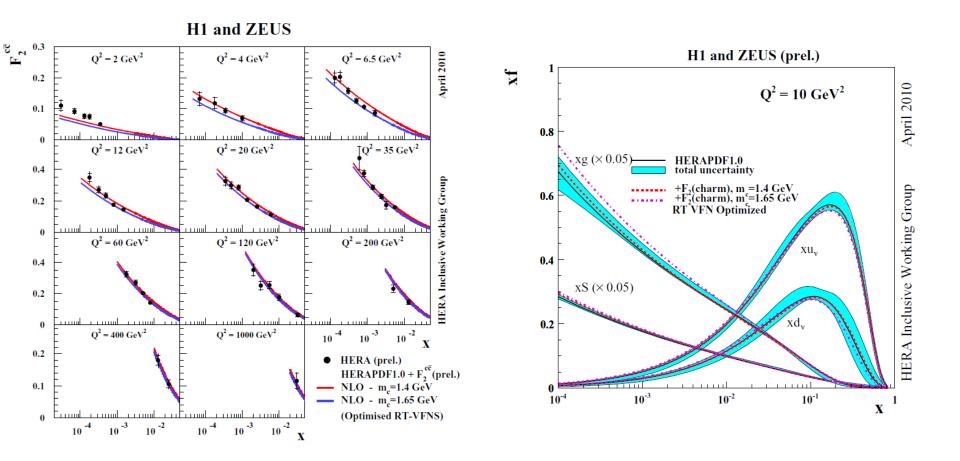
AND no great improvement in experimental PDF uncertainties either....but model dependent uncertainties due to the choice of charm mass could decrease since the charm data are sensitive to charm mass



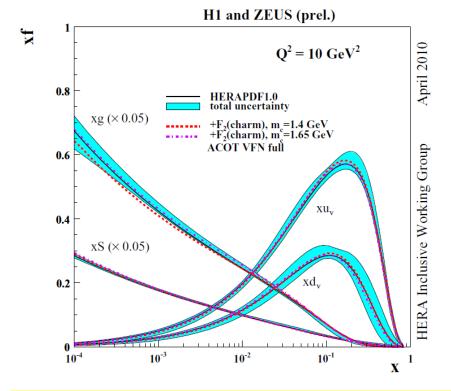
Investigate two choices of charm mass- mc=1.4GeV (standard choice) and mc=1.65GeV (pole mass).

For the standard RT-VFN scheme the data prefer mc=1.65 to mc=1.4 GeV

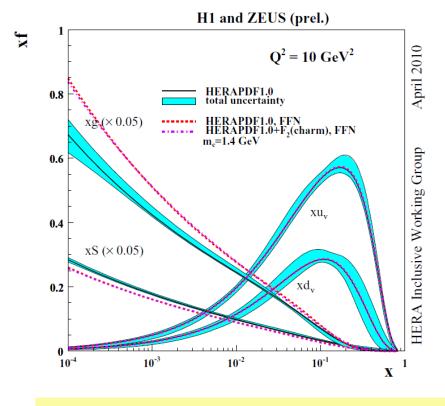
However this standard NLO heavy quark scheme is not unique: in fact Thorne has come up with an optimized scheme which has a smoother threshold behaviour



For the optimized RT-VFN scheme the data prefer mc=1.4 to mc=1.65 GeV



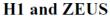
And there is also the ACOT scheme for which the data prefer mc=1.65 GeV

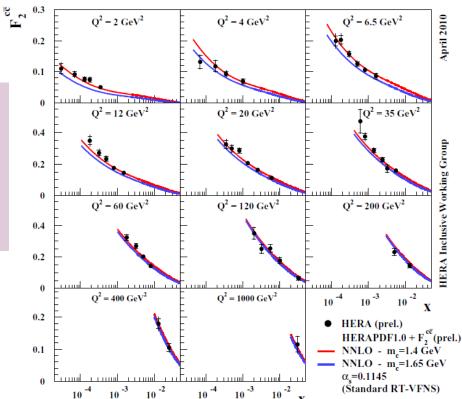


And the FFN fits- for which the data prefer mc=1.4 GeV

And the NNLO fits where the data prefer mc=1.4 GeV

(and there is rather a nice description of the lower Q2 data which are not included in the fit)



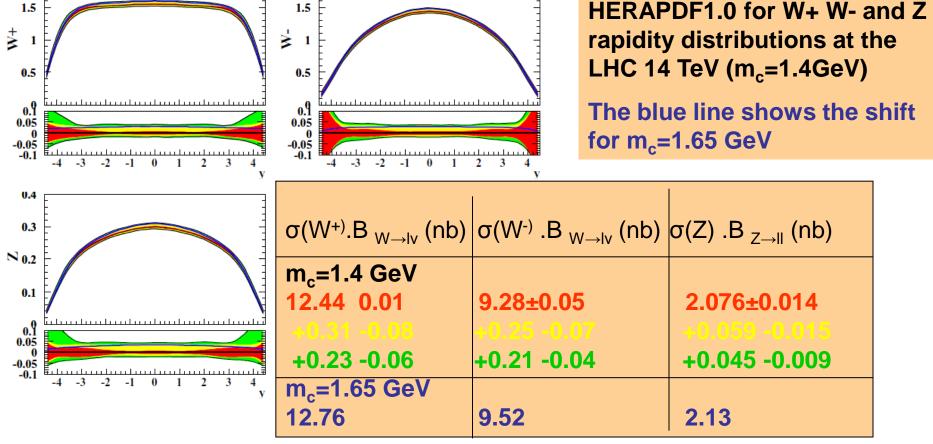


So there is substantial theoretical uncertainty- and we are pursuing these studies (ICHEP?) - Why does it matter?

There is an important consequence of the choice of the charm mass –it affects the W and Z cross-sections at the LHC: $mc = 1.4 \rightarrow 1.65$ gives ~3% increase in $\sigma(W,Z)$

Predictions from

W and Z rapidity distributions

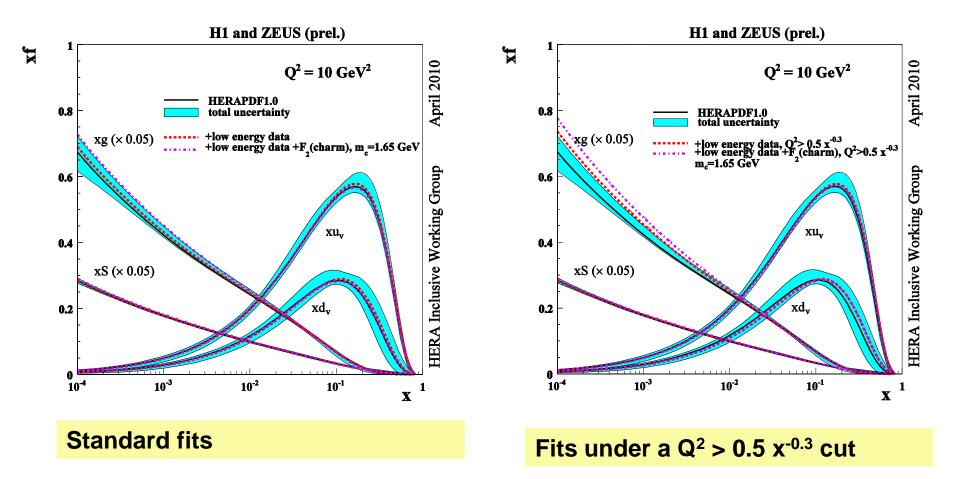


There was some concern raised at DIS about the effect including of low-energy data and F2c data simultaneously. We have checked this and we conclude:

- Sensitivity of the F2charm fits to heavy quark scheme and heavy quark mass are not altered by simultaneous inclusion of low energy data
- Sensitivity of a fit including low-energy data to the low-x/Q² region are not altered by inclusion of the charm data- BUT the charm mass should be chosen to give a good fit to charm- a bad fit to charm CAN distort the rest of the fit

Just one illustration of this...

Add charm data to low energy data fits



The charm data do not alter our conclusions about the cut.

Ask the question the other way: do the low energy data alter our conclusions on charm sensitivity to mc?

NO mc=1.65 is still preferred for this Standard RTVFN Fit ..etc

Summary

Low energy data seem to indicate some tension at low x /Q²

- have we gone beyond the comfort zone of NLO and NNLO DGLAP
- is the true gluon a bit steeper at low x?

Charm data is sensitive to heavy quark-scheme and charm mass and can thus help to reduce model dependence

So far this scheme /mass dependence is not systematically accounted for in the PDF community

extras

Now consider x and Q2 cuts on NNLO fits at alphas=0.1145 with low-E data

Generally the cuts have a similar effect on the as at NLO. The q2 and q2> $0.5x^{-0.3}$ cuts improve chisq and change shape to enhances the gluon and flatten the sea as for NLO – the x cut also enhances the low-x sea

Now try fitting the F₂(charm) data

The published HERAPDF1.0 fits were done with the STANDARD RT-VFN formalism – as used by MSTW08

However, Thorne has subsequently shown alternative versions of the VFN scheme with somewhat different threshold behaviours. We have also tried the version which has a smoother threshold behaviour- which I will call OPTIMIZED RT-VFN- shown as GMVFNSopt These schemes are all equally valid.

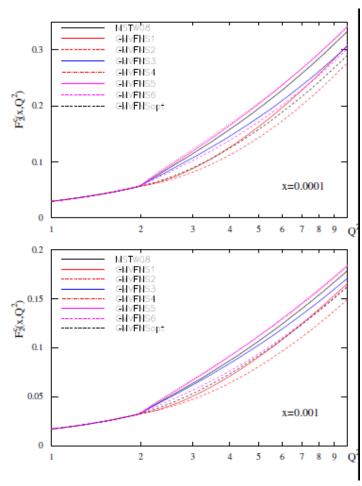
In both cases Q² is the renormalisation and factorisation scale for light and heavy quarks as appropriate to these schemes

We use the usual cuts on data $Q^2 > 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$, so 41 F_2^c data points are fitted

The formalism is the same as for HERAPDF1.0 unless otherwise stated

We compare two values of charm mass

 m_c =1.4 GeV and m_c =1.65 GeV



Various GM VFNS as considered by Thorne PDF4LHC meeting Oct23rd 2009

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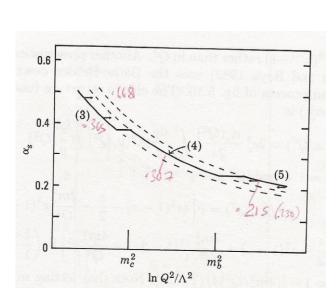
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χ2	730.7	627.5	644.6	695.4	653.9	605.7	633
F ₂ ^(charm) Sub χ2	134.5	43.5	64.8	100.1	89.5	41.4	41

scheme	FFN m _c =1.4	FFN m _c =1.65	#points	FFN m _c =1.4 no F ₂ ^c	#points
χ2	567.0	852.0	565	512.9	524
F ₂ (charm)	51.7	248.9	41		0