

Towards helicity-dependent parton distribution functions at next-to-next-to-leading order accuracy

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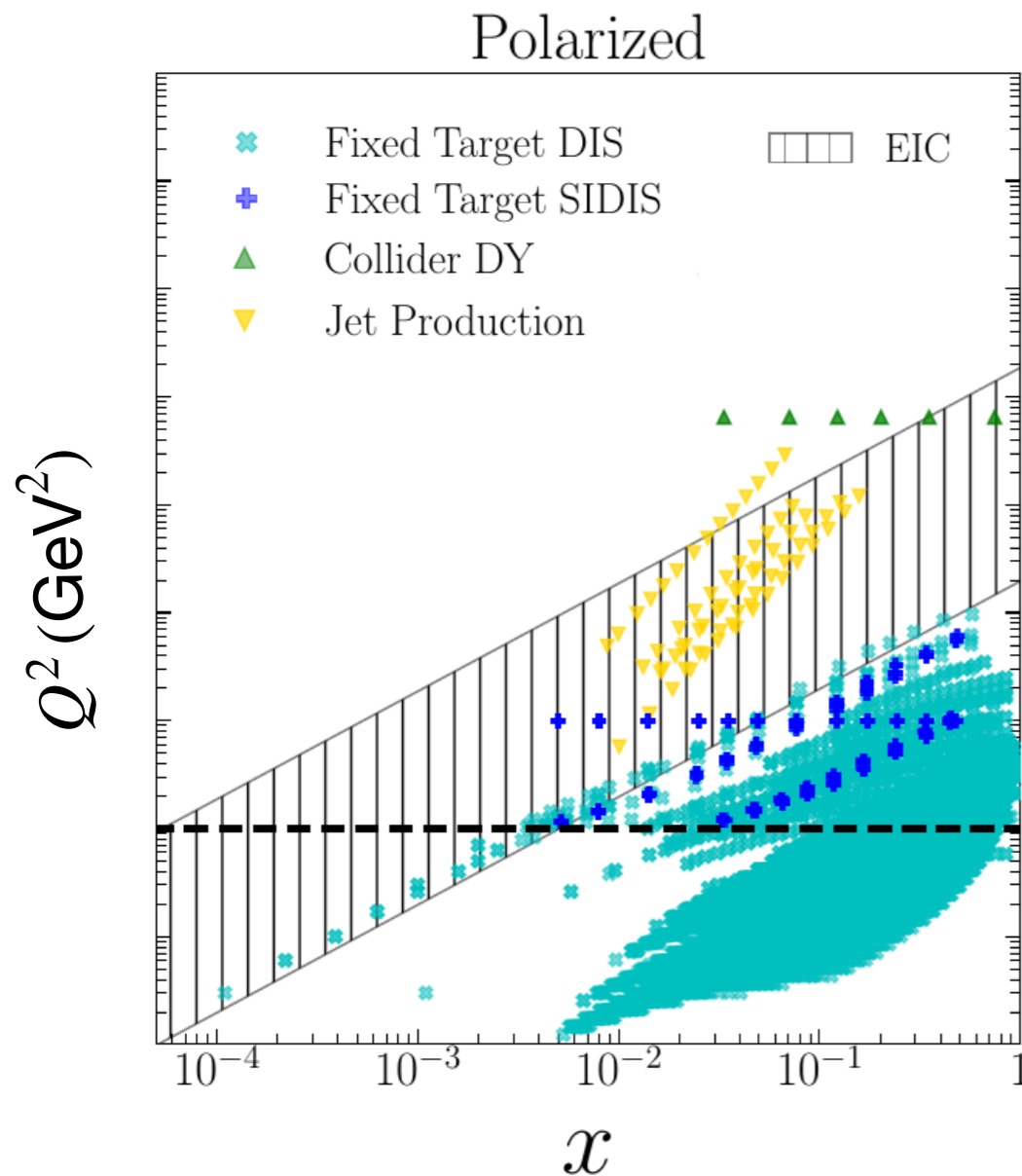
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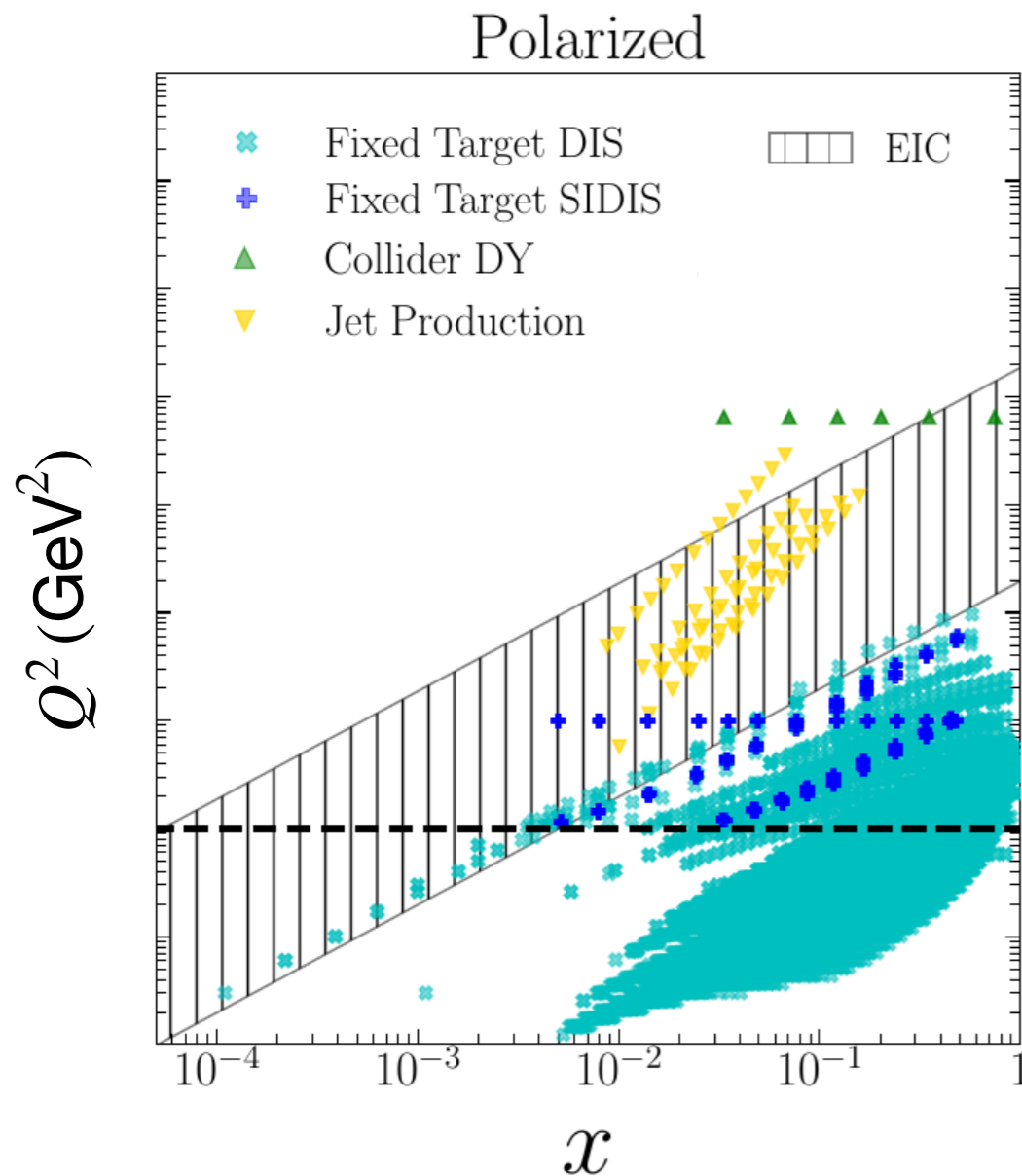
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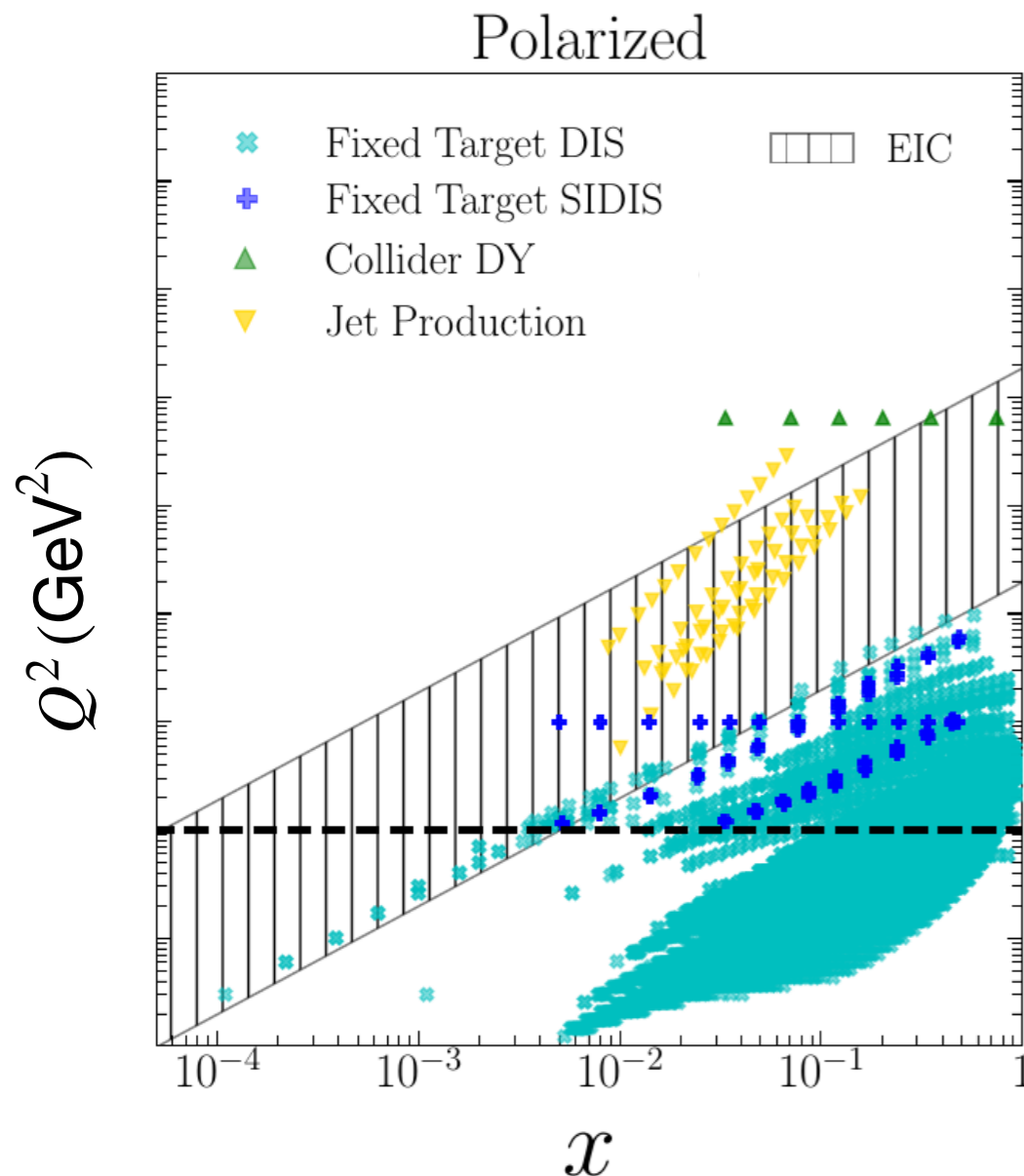
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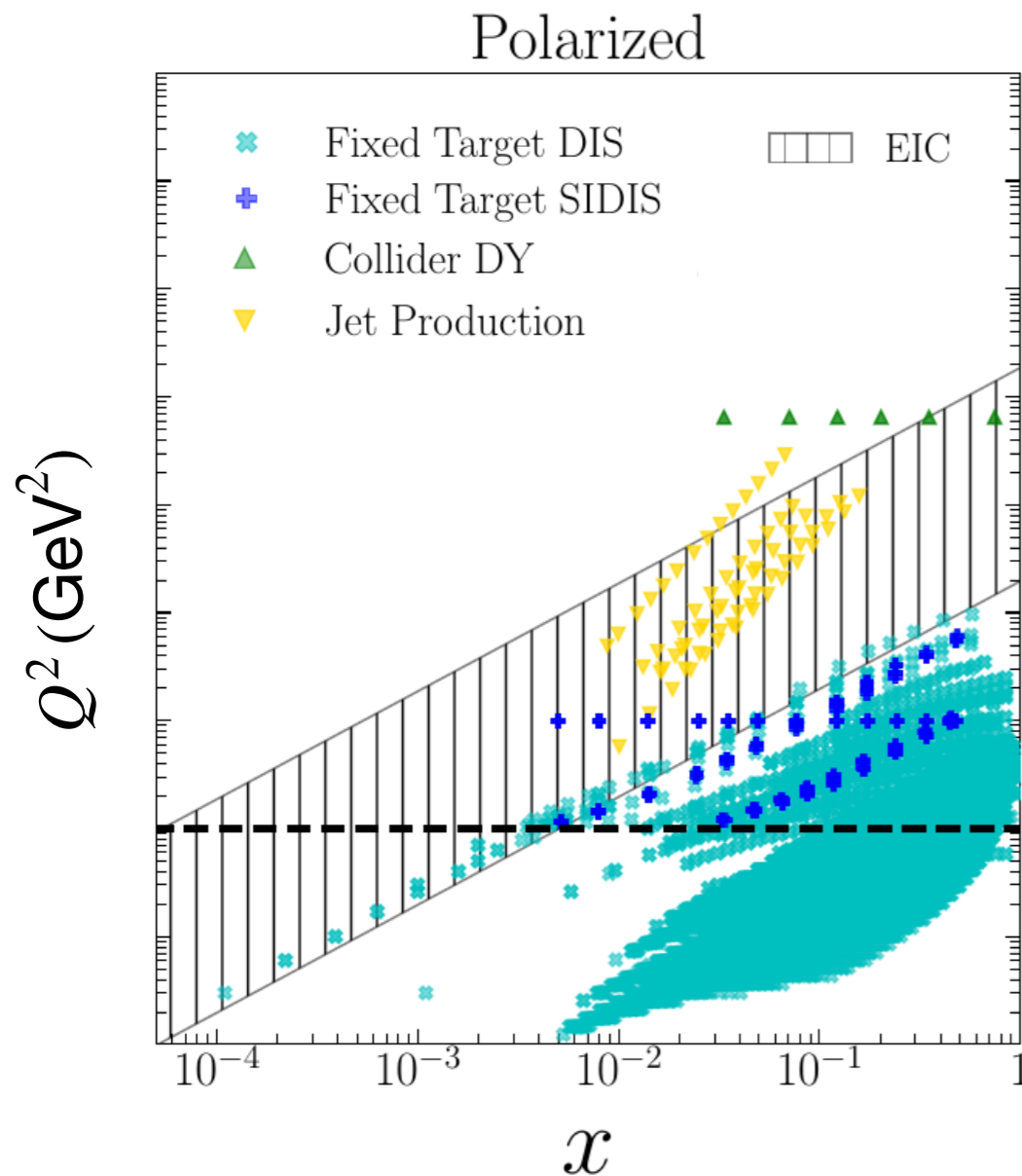
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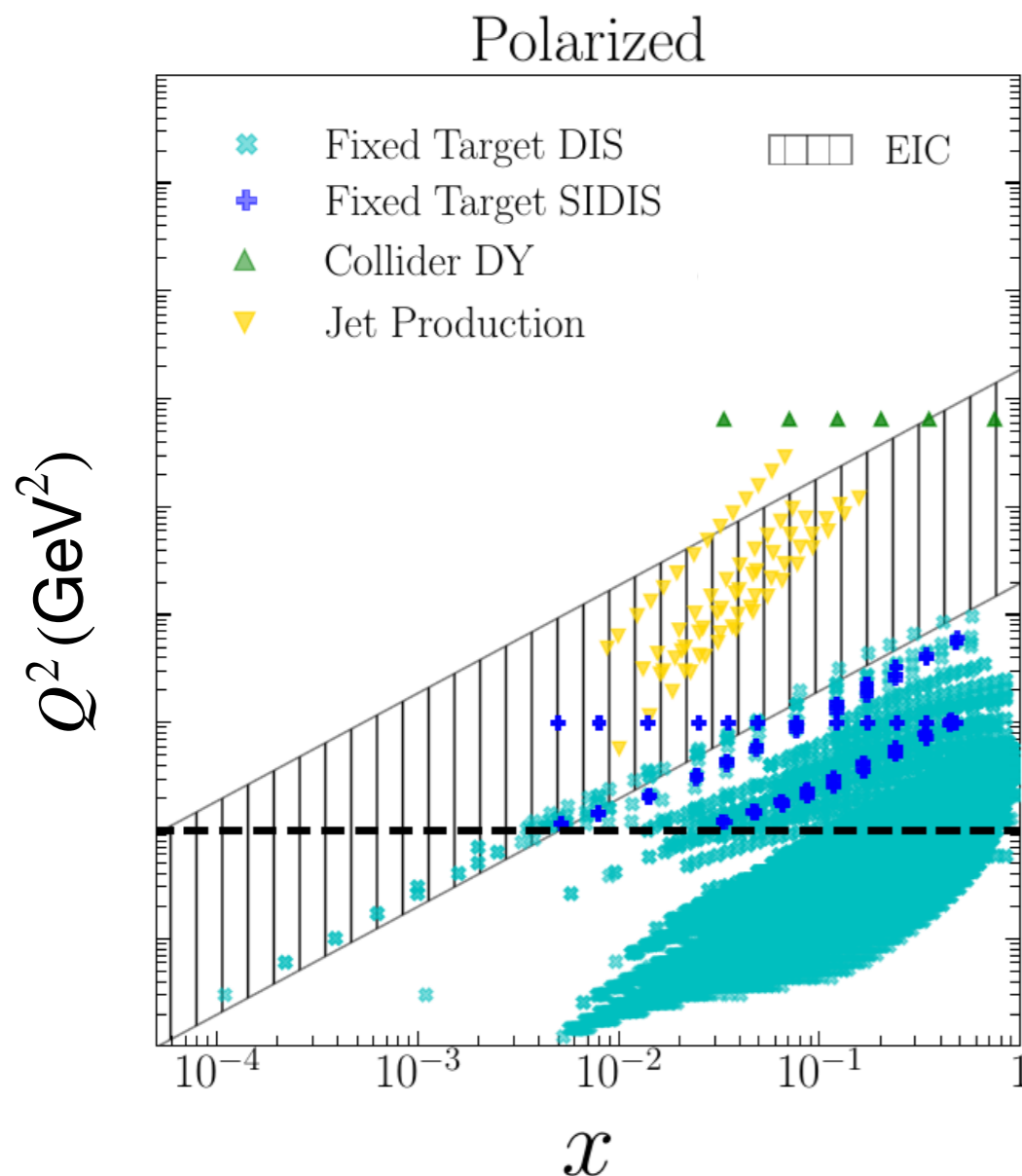
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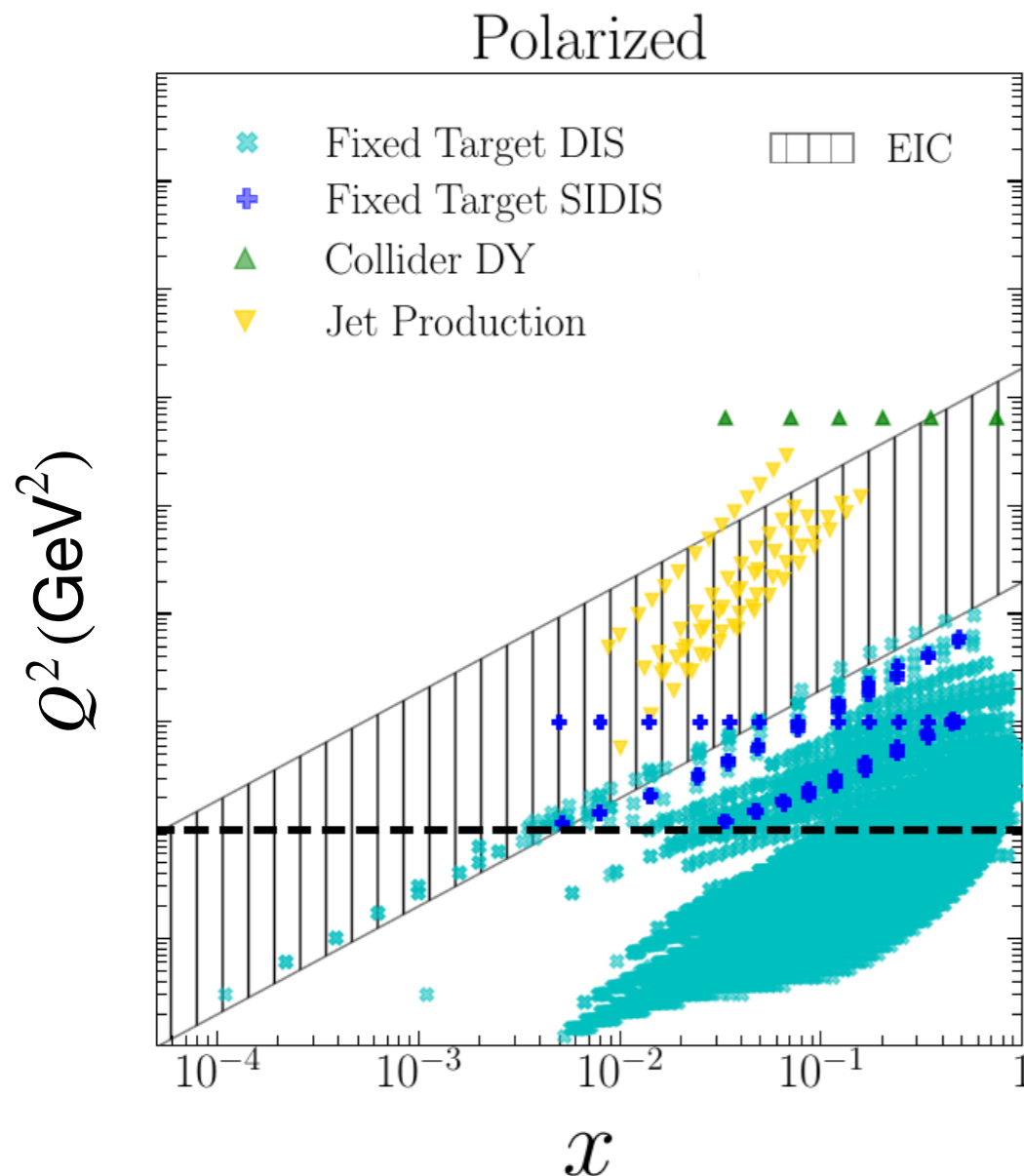
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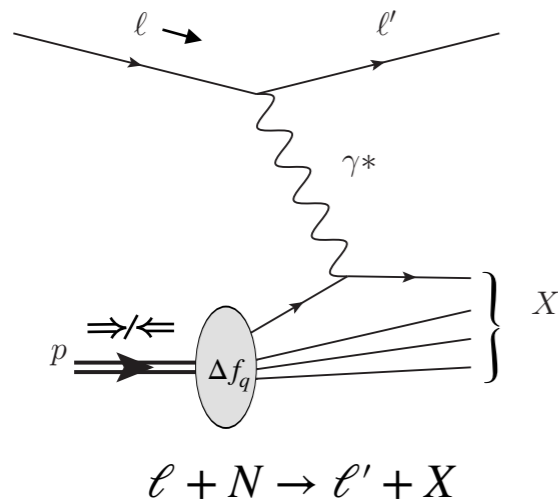
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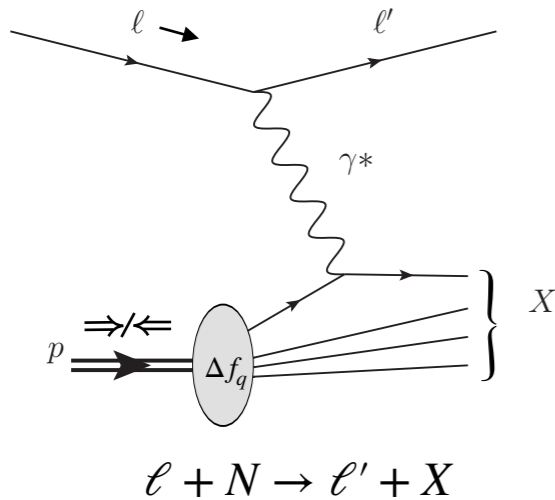
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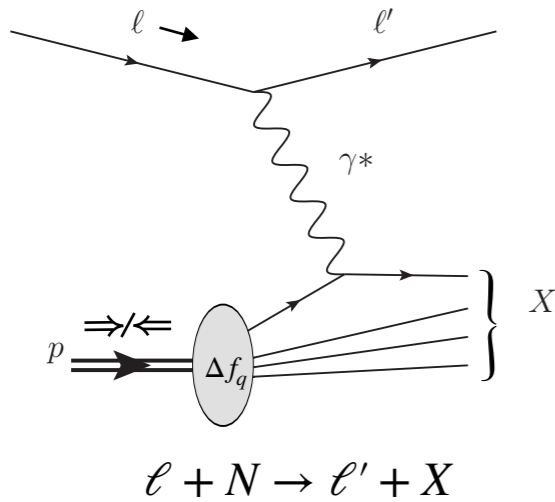


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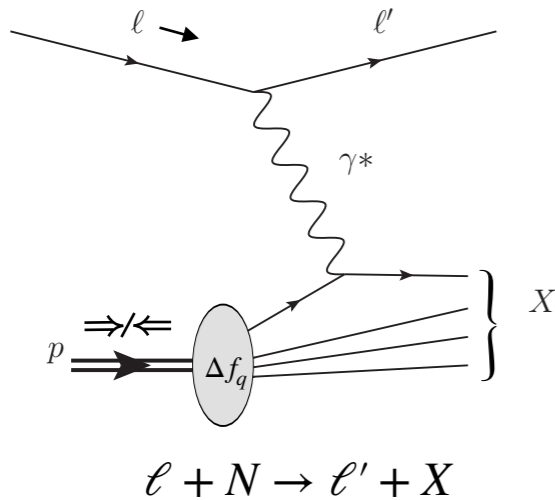
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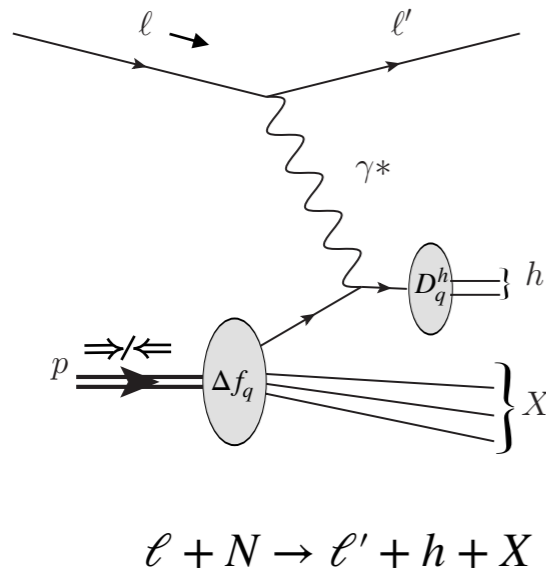
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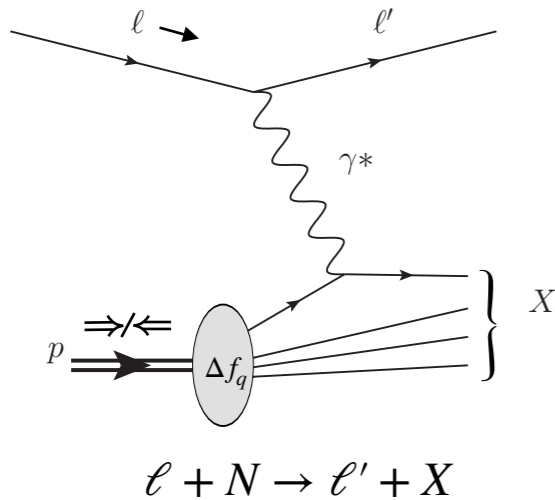
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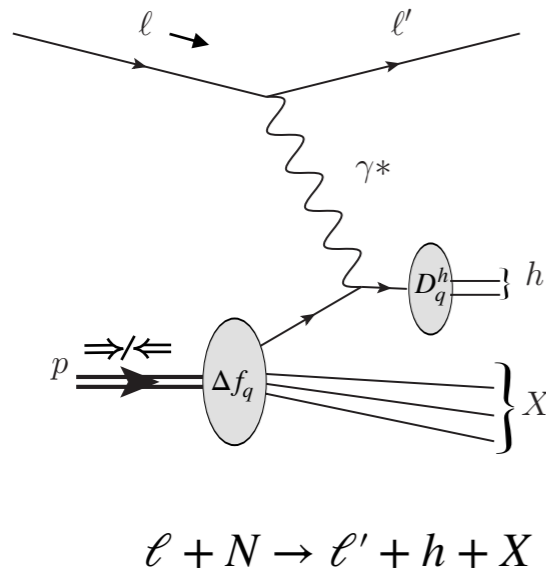
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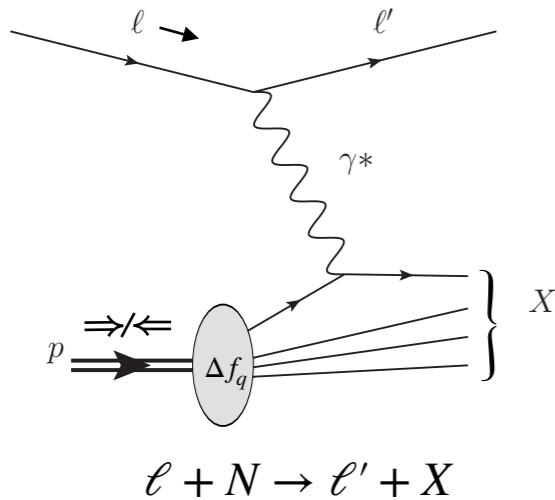


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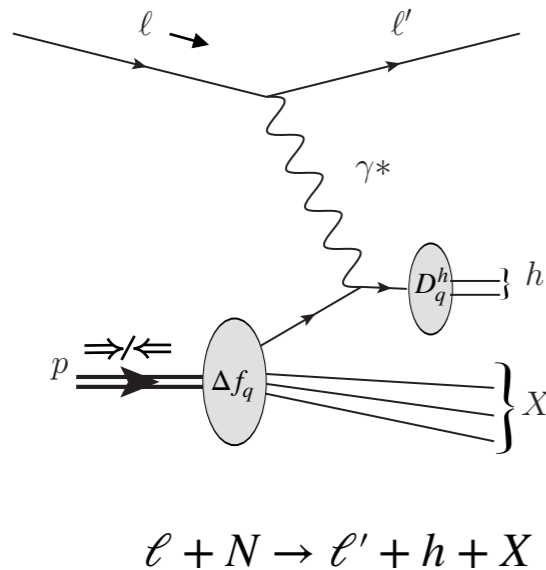
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approximate NNLO [PRD 104 094046]

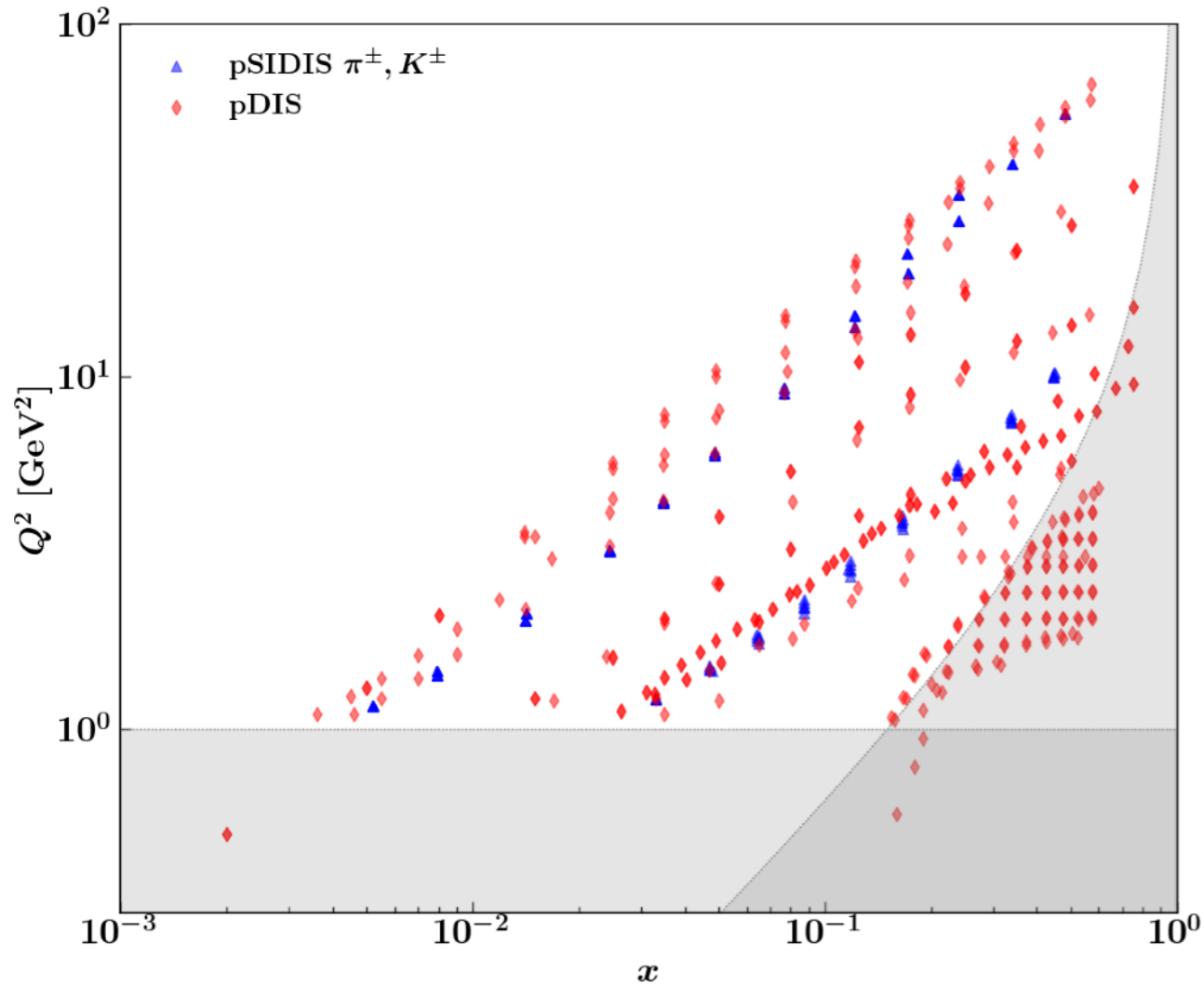
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FFs for π^\pm, K^\pm : MAPFF1.0 [PRD 104 034007]

No massive-quark corrections and perturbative charm in ZM-VFNS.

The data set



Kinematic cuts

$$Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$W^2 > 6.25 \text{ GeV}^2$$

Data set	Obs.	N_{dat}	Reference
E142	g_1^n	8 (7)	[PRD 54 (1996) 6620]
E143	g_1^p	28 (25)	[PRD 58 (1996) 112003]
	g_1^d	28 (25)	
E154	g_1^n	11	[PRL 79 (1997) 26]
E155	g_1^p/F_1^p	24 (22)	[PRL 493 (2000) 19]
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EMC	g_1^p	10	[NPB 328 (1989) 1]
SMC	g_1^d	13 (12)	[PRD D58 (1998) 112001]
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JLAB E06 014	g_1^n/F_1^n	6 (1)	[PRD 94.5 (2016) 052003]
JLAB E97 103	g_1^n	5 (0)	[AIP CP 675.1 (2003) 615]
JLAB E99 117	g_1^n/F_1^n	3 (0)	[PRD 94.5 (2016) 052003]
JLAB EG1 DVCS	g_1^p/F_1^p	44 (1)	[PRC 90.2 (2014) 025212]
	g_1^d/F_1^d	47 (2)	
COMPASS	g_1^p	17	[PLB 753 (2016) 18]
	g_1^d	15	[PLB 769 (2017) 34]
HERMES	g_1^p	15 (14)	[PRD 75 (2007) 012007]
	g_1^d	15 (14)	
	g_1^n	9 (8)	[PLB 404 (1997) 383]
COMPASS	$g_{1,p,d}^{K^+}/F_{1,p,d}^{K^+}$	22	[PLB 680 (2009) 217]
	$g_{1,p,d}^{K^-}/F_{1,p,d}^{K^-}$	22	
	$g_{1,p,d}^{\pi^+}/F_{1,p,d}^{\pi^+}$	22	
	$g_{1,p,d}^{\pi^-}/F_{1,p,d}^{\pi^-}$	22	
HERMES	$g_{1,p,d}^{\pi^+}/F_{1,p,d}^{\pi^+}$	18	[PRD 99 (2019) 112001]
	$g_{1,p,d}^{\pi^-}/F_{1,p,d}^{\pi^-}$	18	
	$g_{1,d}^{K^+}/F_{1,d}^{K^+}$	9	
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Total		477 (362)	

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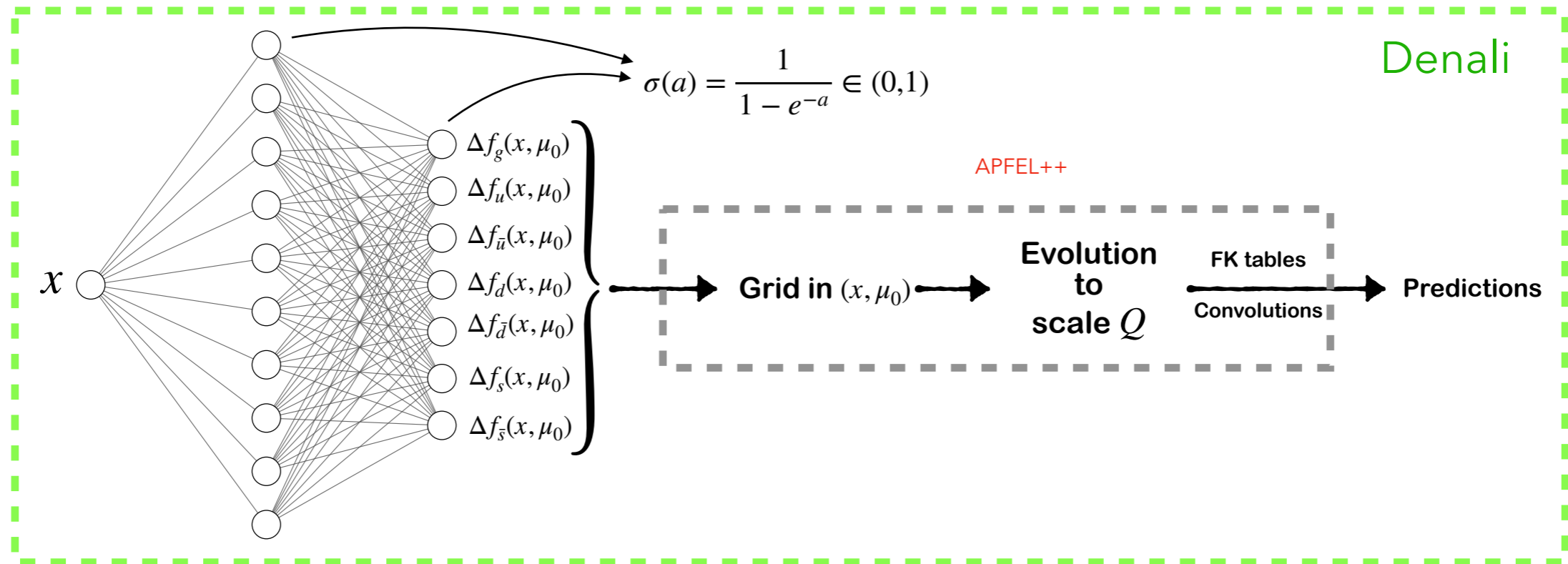
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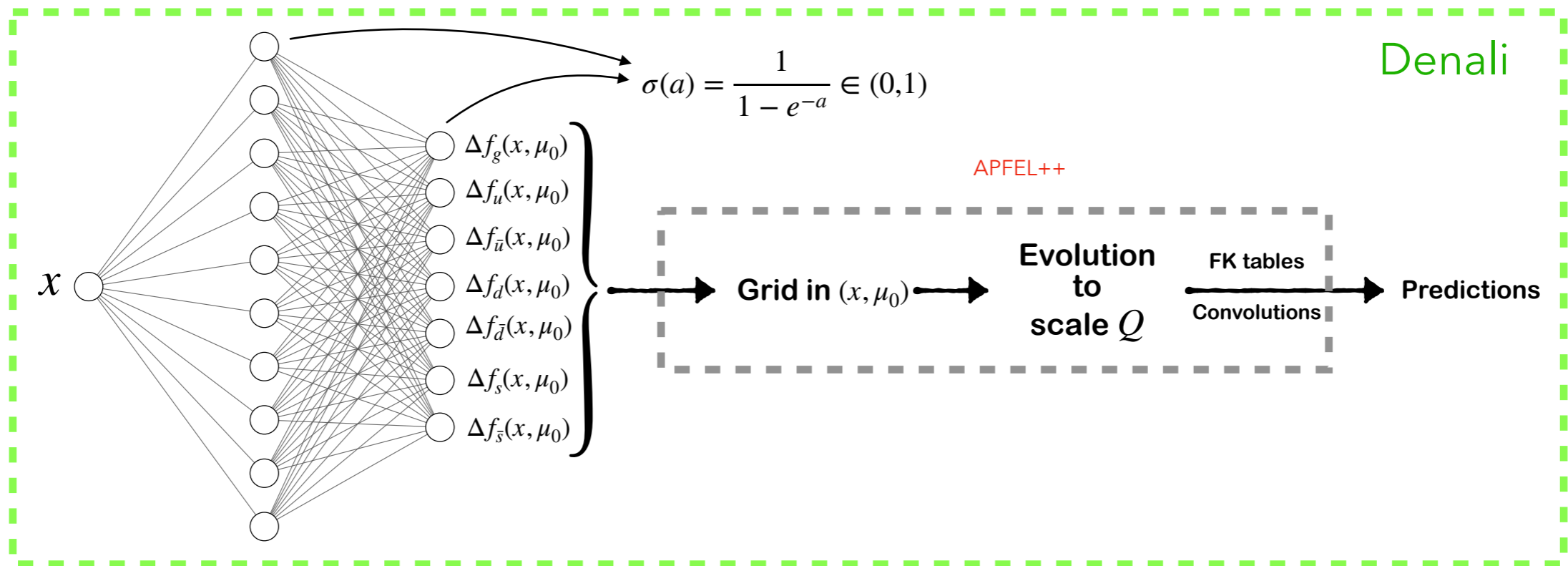


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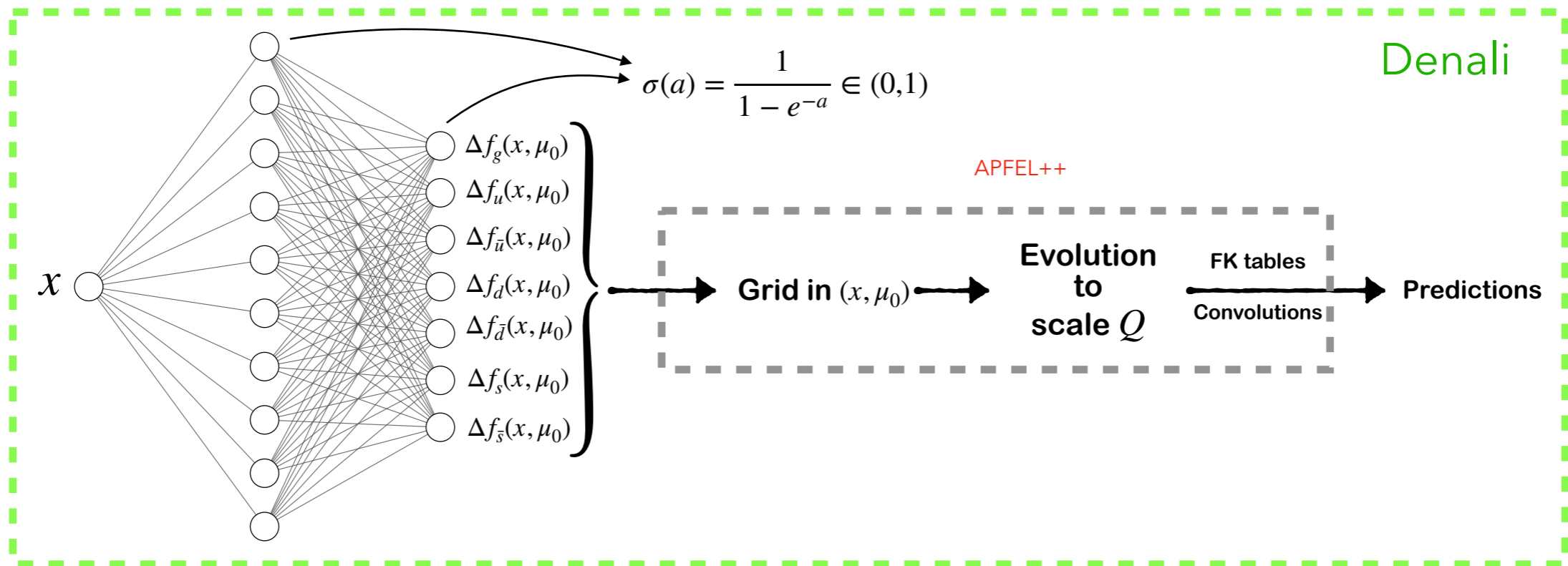
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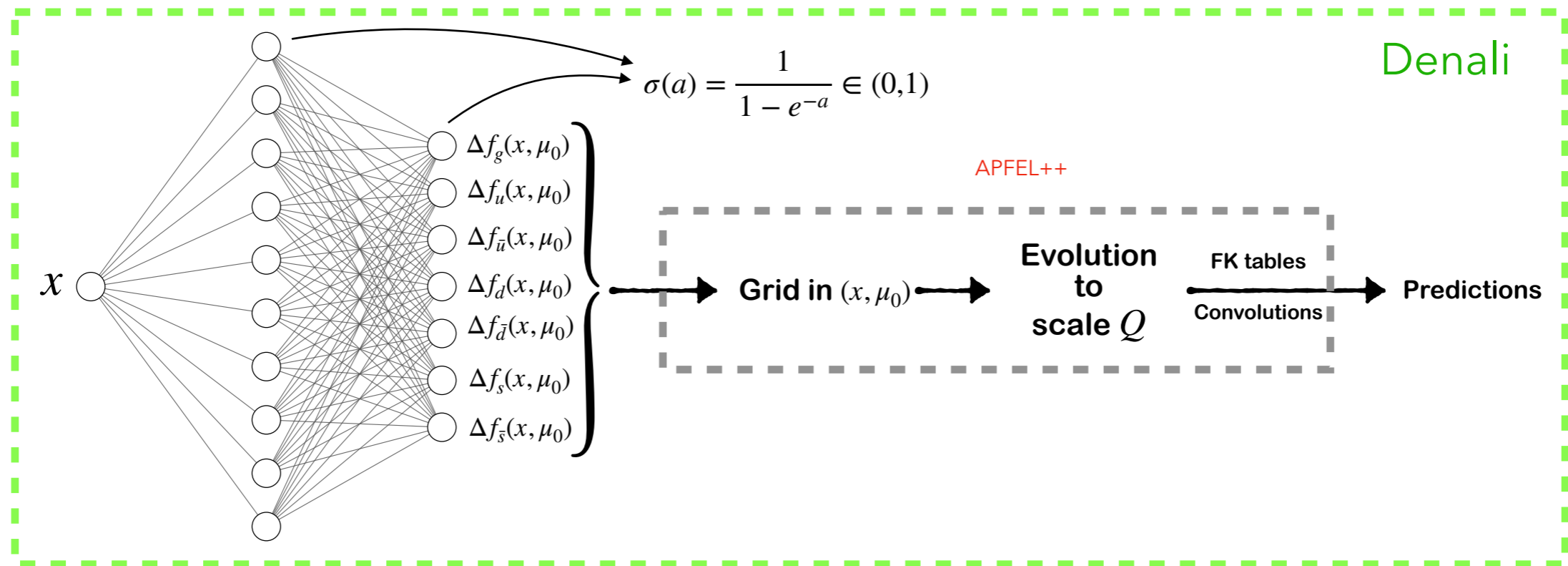
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Predictions computed with APFEL++ library [[CPC 212 \(2017\) 205](#); [PoS DIS2017 \(2018\) 201](#)]



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a_3 and a_8 from semi-leptonic β -decay introduced at data level

$$a_3 = \int_0^1 dx \left[\Delta f_u^+(x, Q^2) - \Delta f_d^+(x, Q^2) \right] = 1.2756 \pm 0.0013 \quad [\text{PTEP 2022 (2022) 083C01}]$$

$$a_8 = \int_0^1 dx \left[\Delta f_u^+(x, Q^2) + \Delta f_d^+(x, Q^2) - 2\Delta f_s^+(x, Q^2) \right] = 0.585 \pm 0.025$$

Scale-independent
in $\overline{\text{MS}}$, but computed
at $Q^2 = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

3. Results

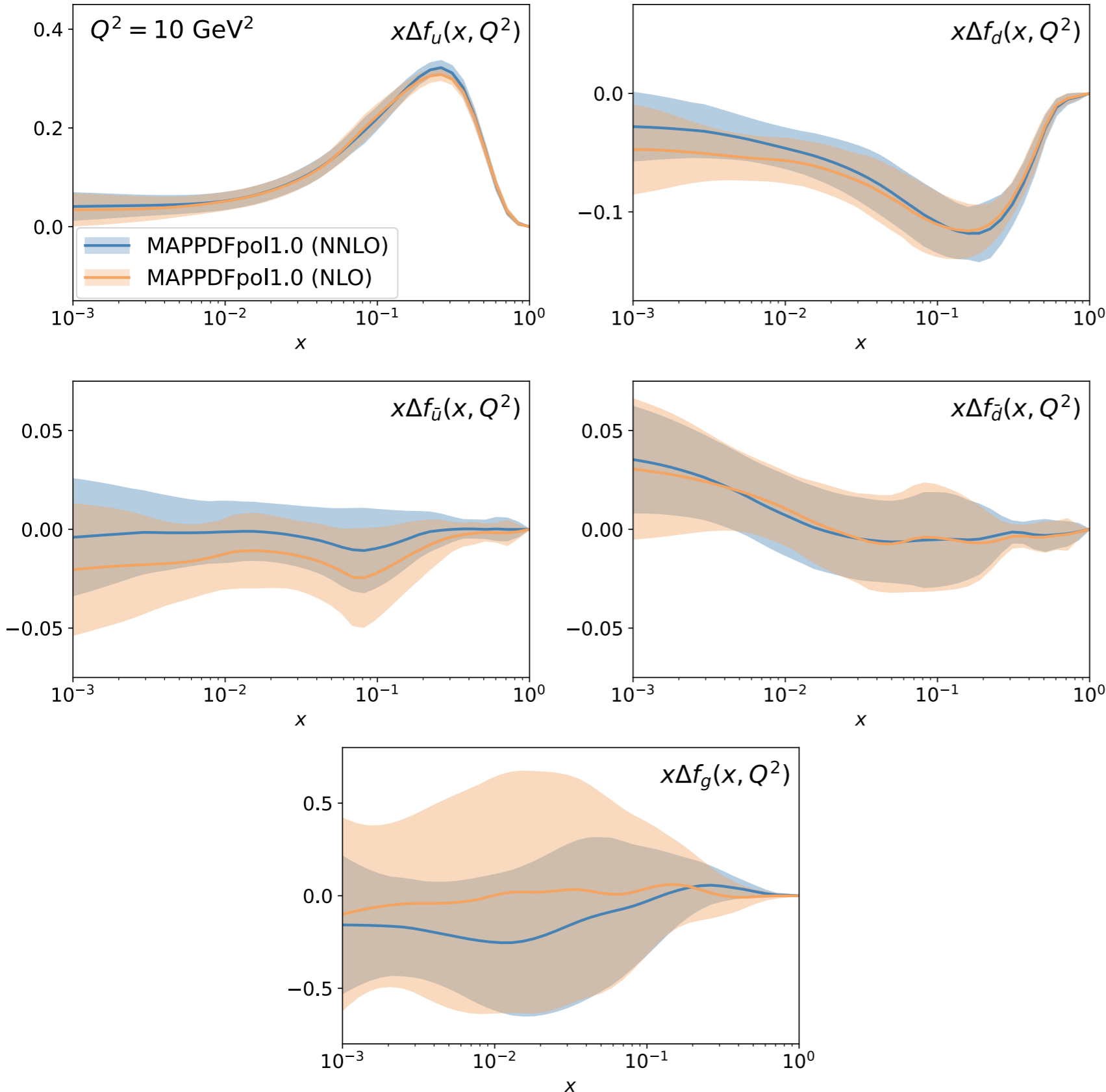
Baseline: NNLO global set – a_3, a_8 and positivity imposed

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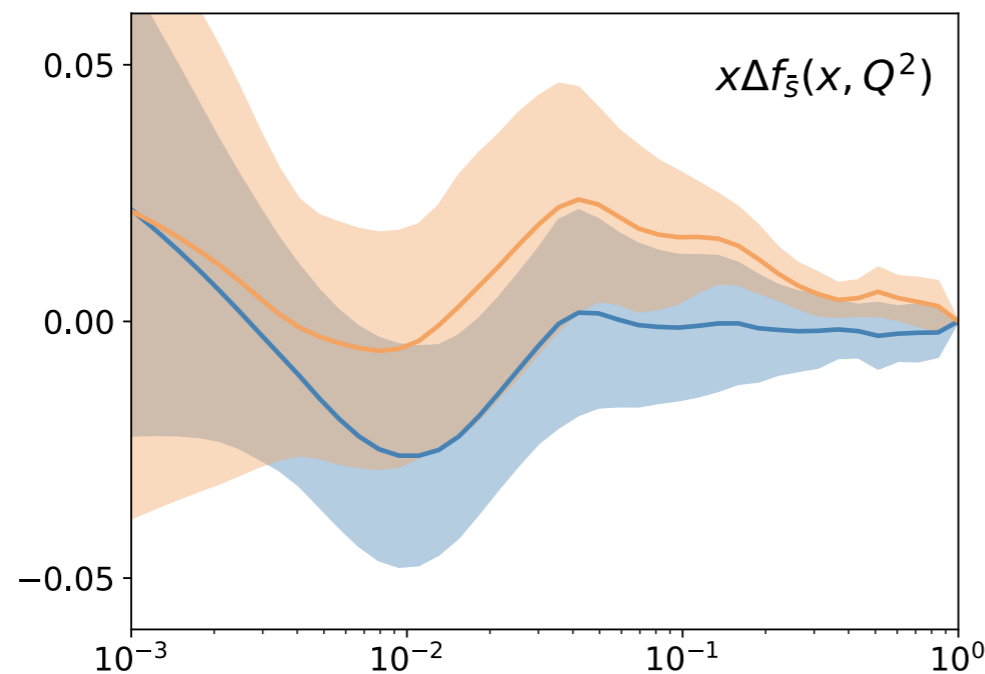
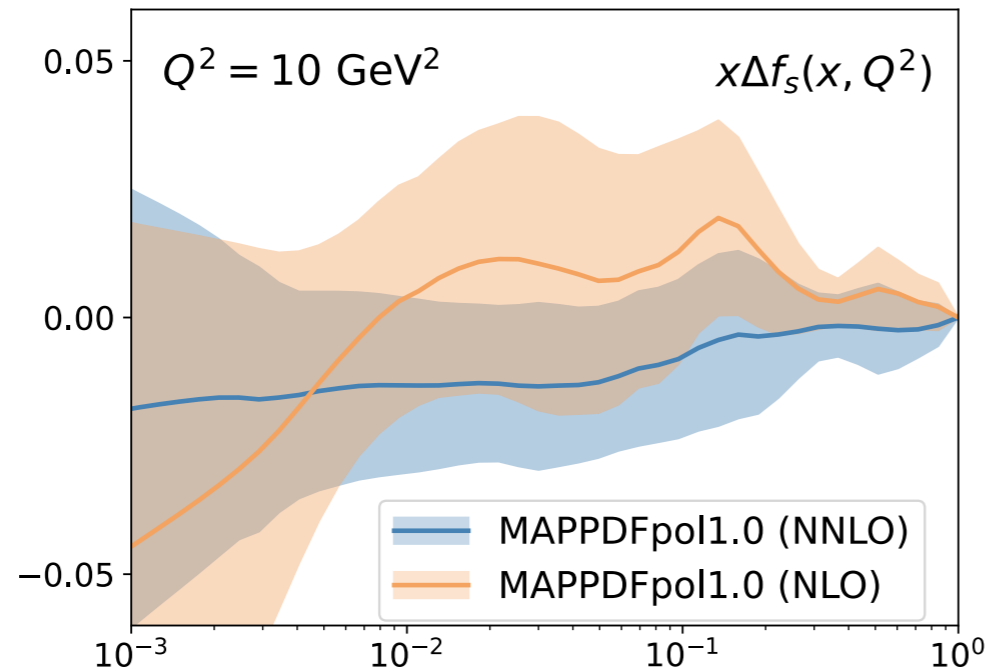
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E143	25	0.74	0.69
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	14	0.46	0.53
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JLAB-E06	1	0.72	0.86
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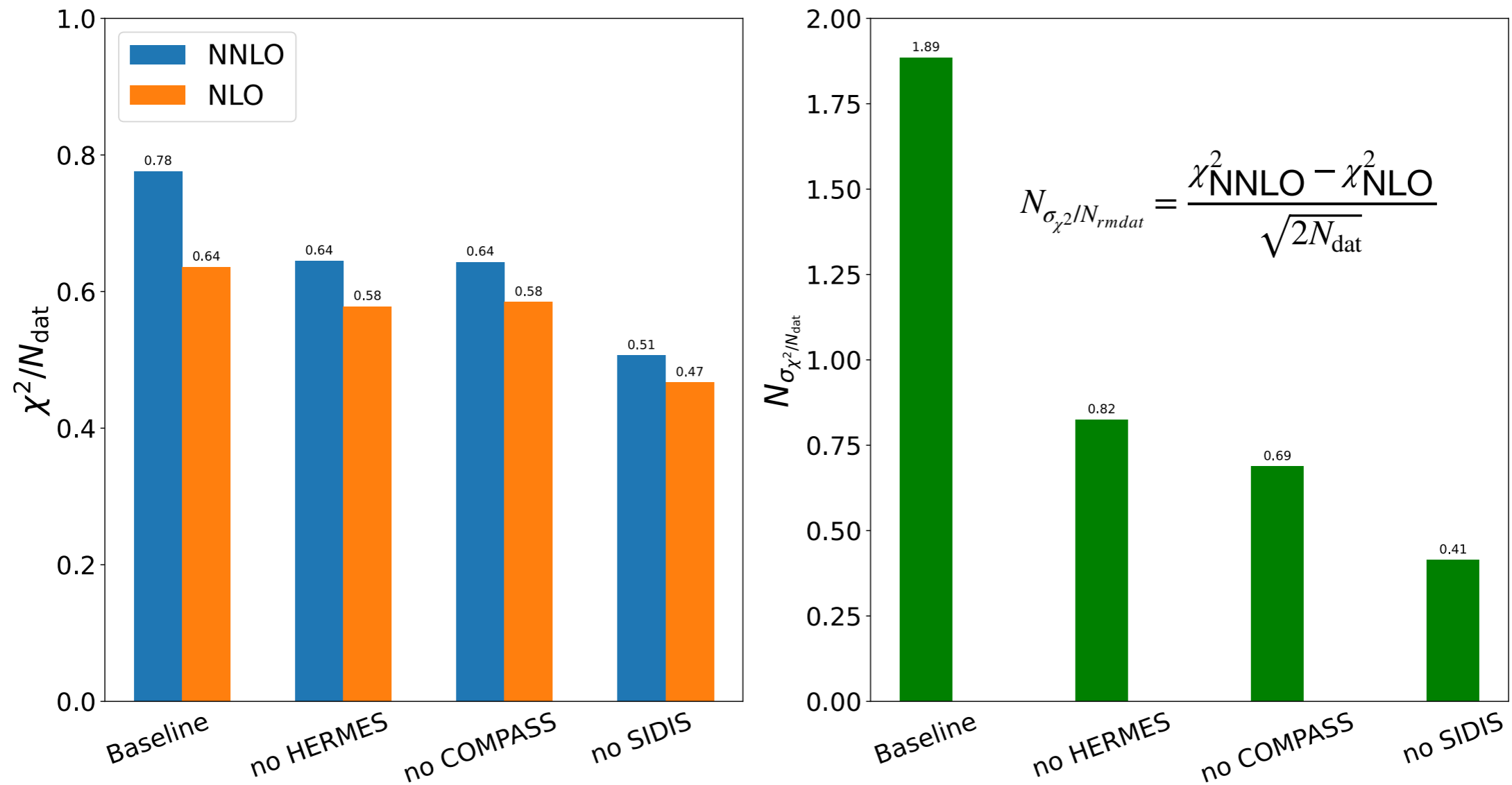
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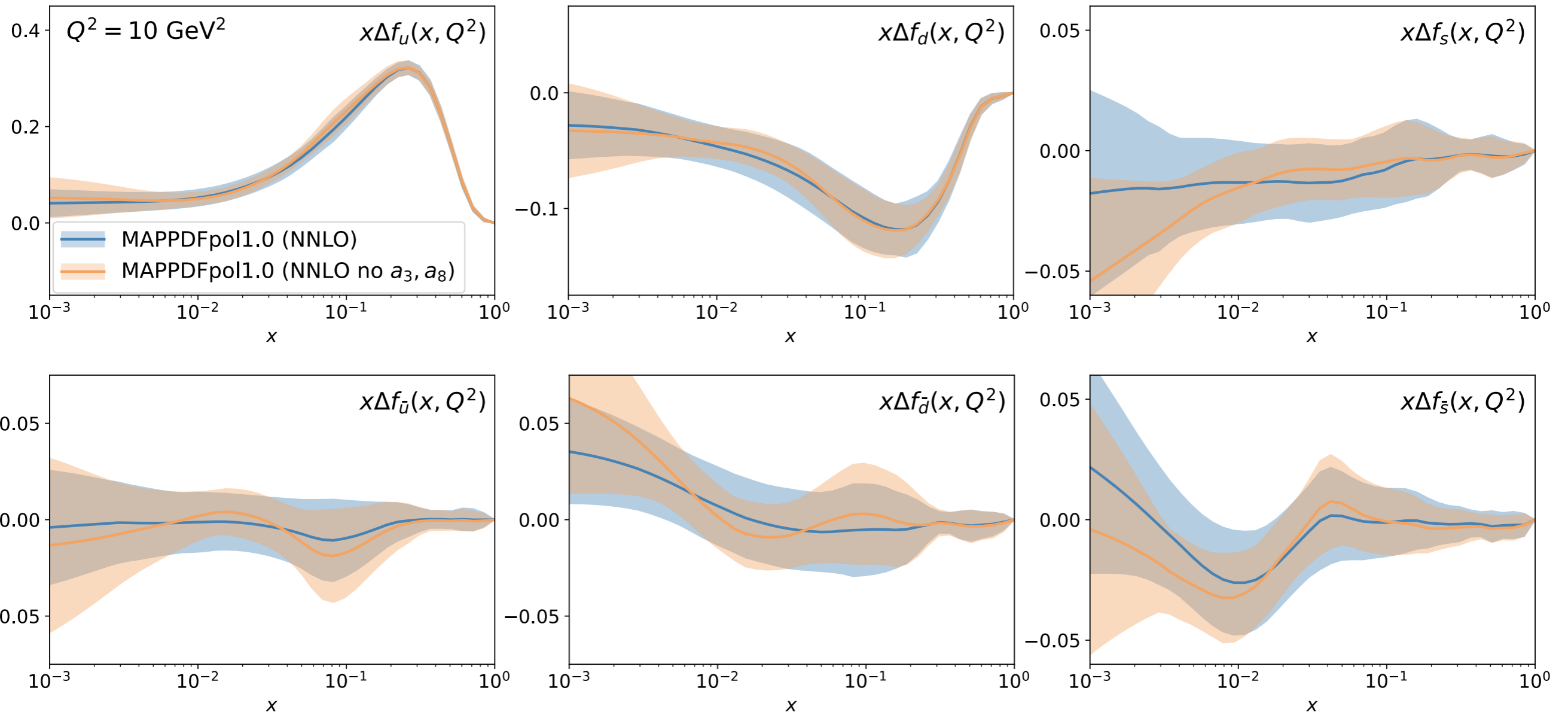


Worsening of the χ^2 at NNLO:

SIDIS data are not described as well as DIS data

COMPASS and HERMES SIDIS data may be in tension with each other

Sum rules



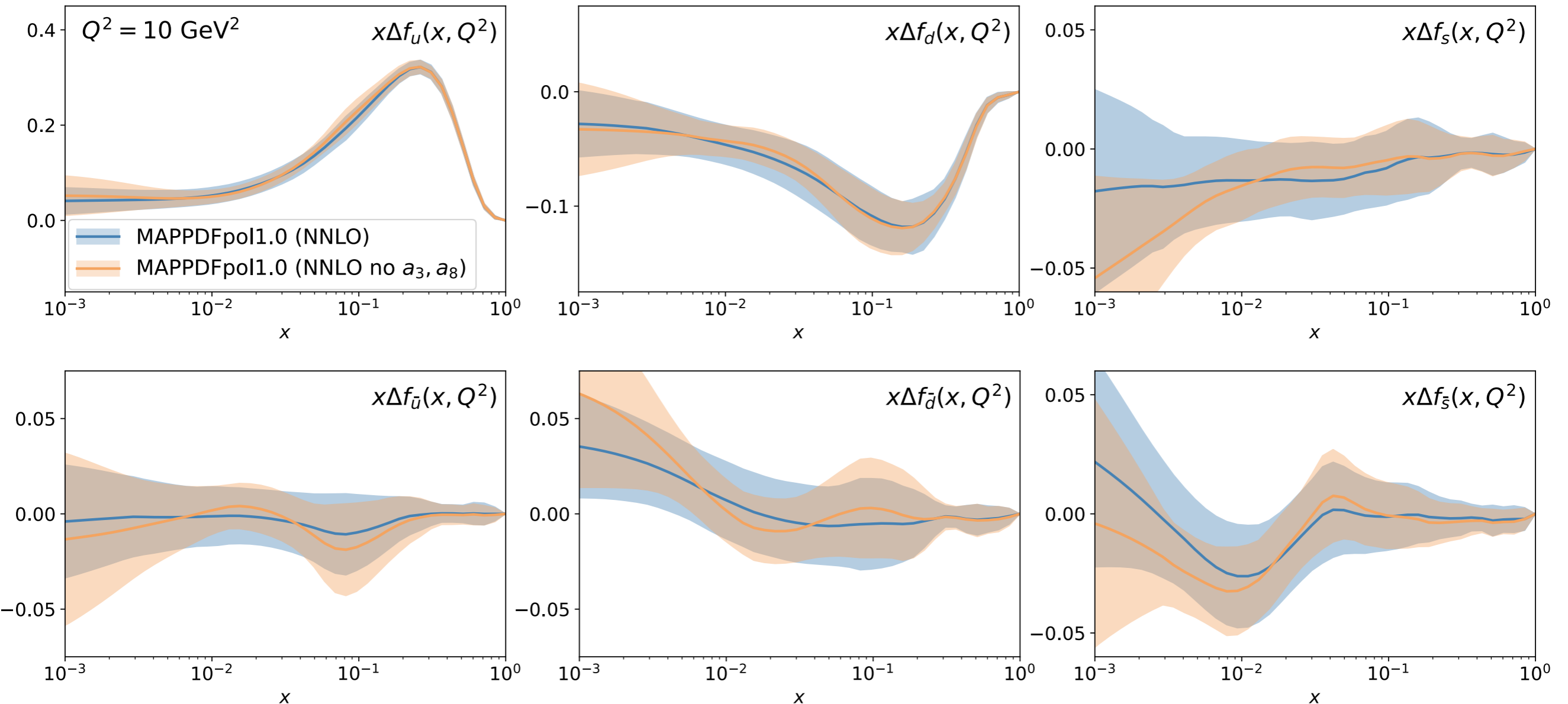
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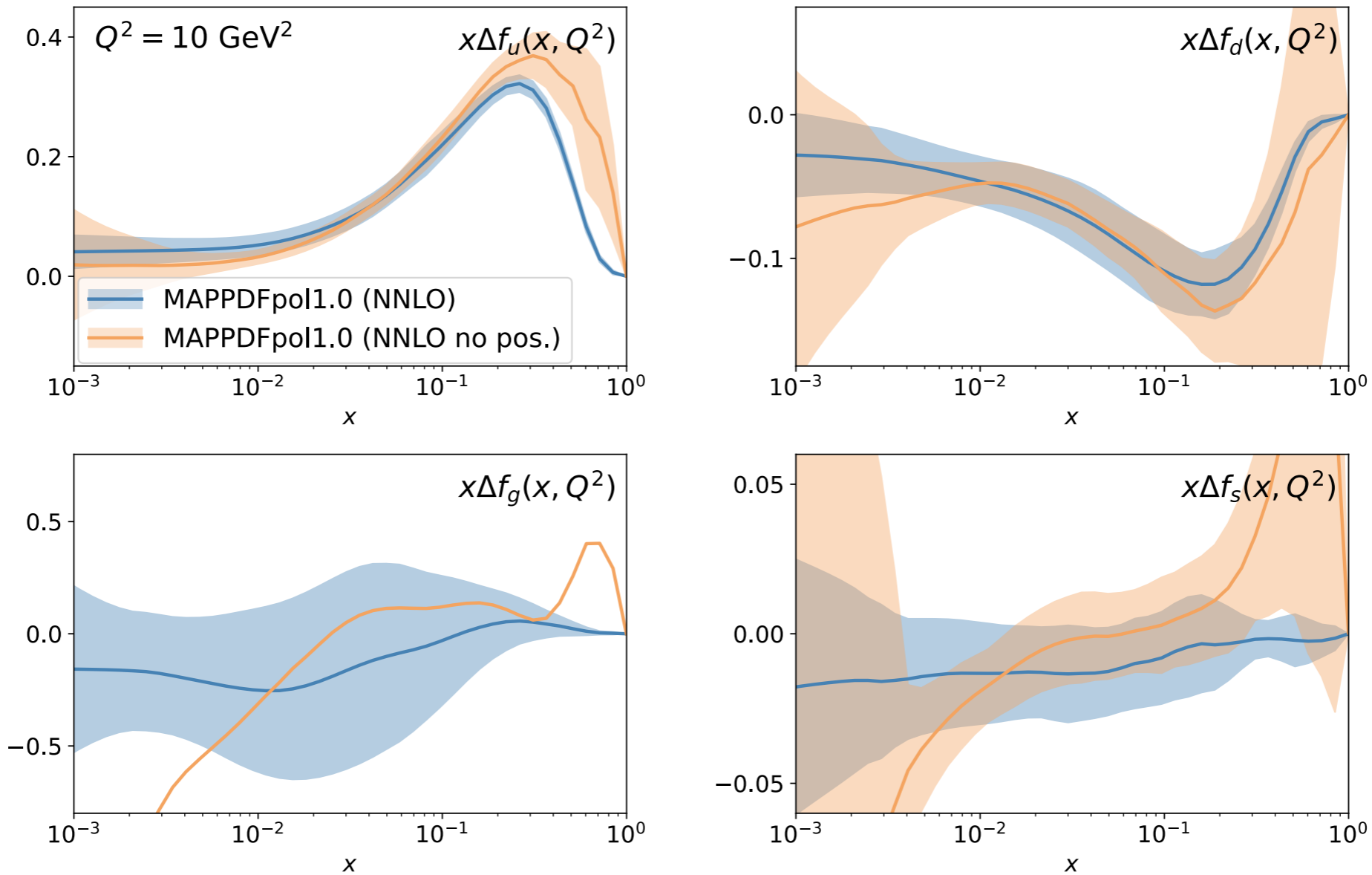
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the impact of sum rules is moderate

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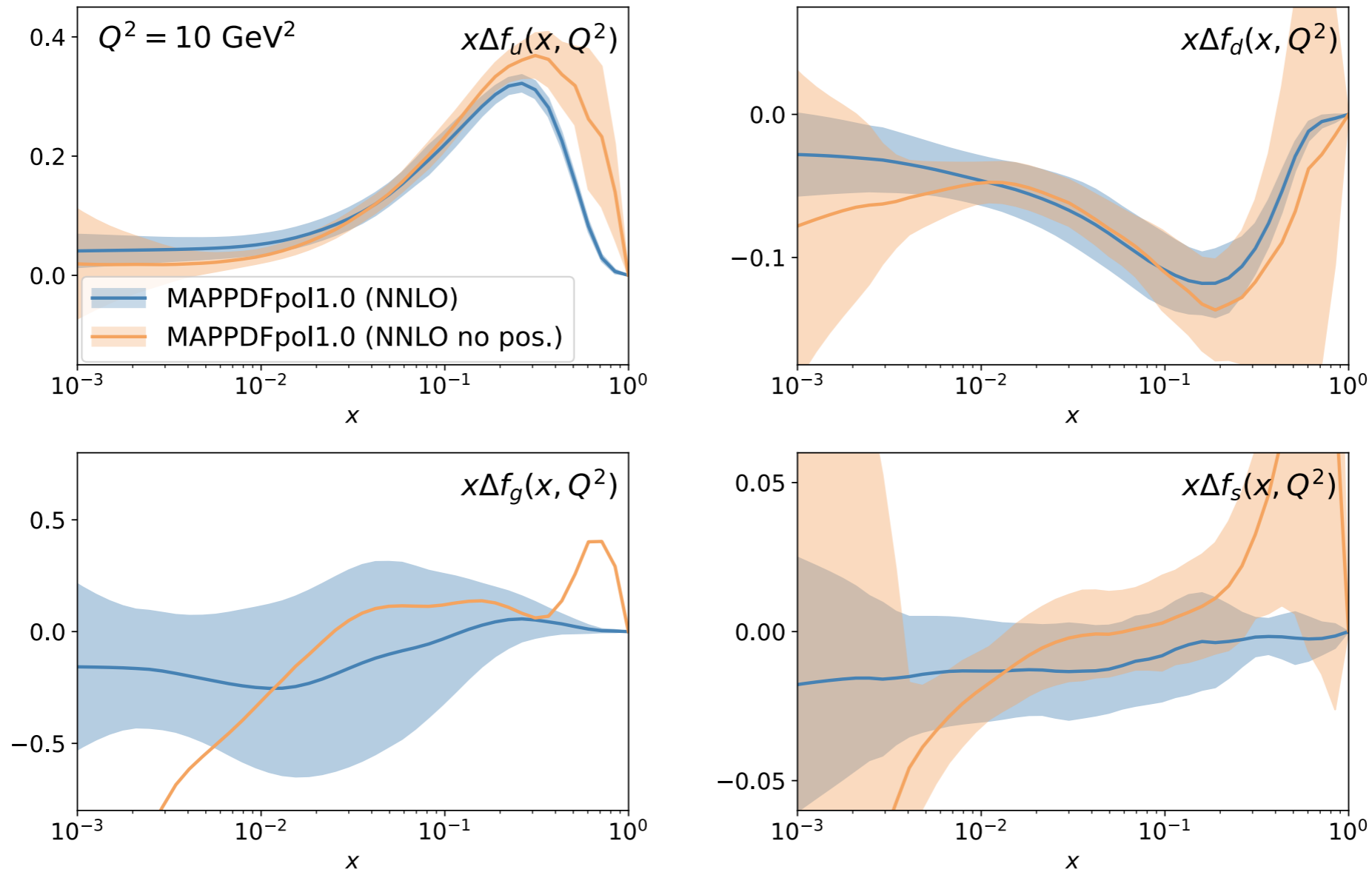
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Positivity relevant at large- x , where data is lacking

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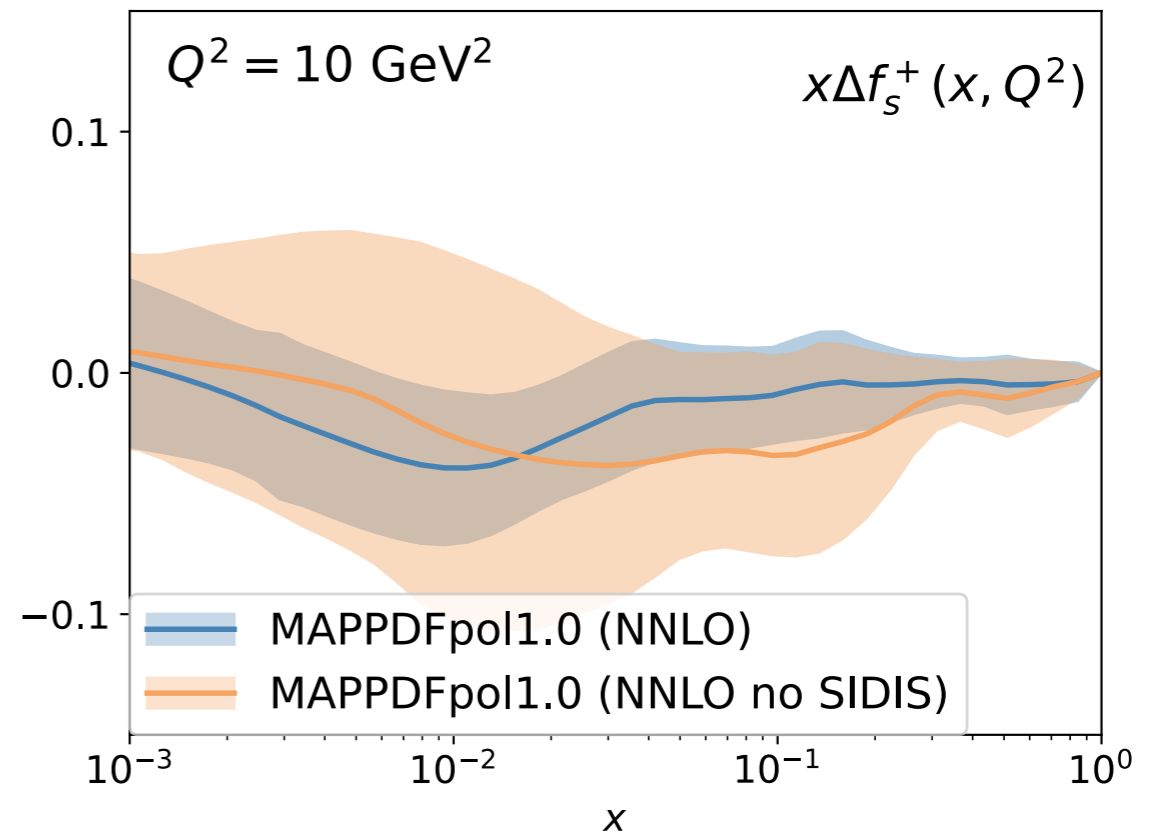
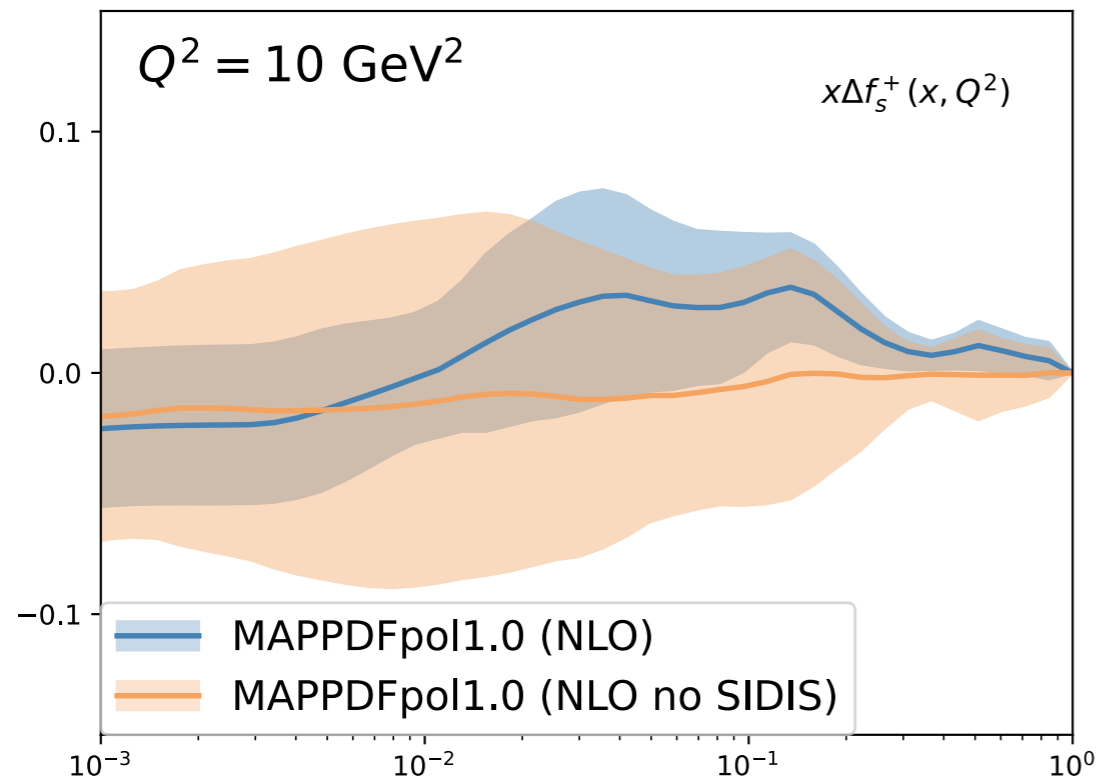
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Thank you

Backup slides

Tension between DIS and SIDIS?

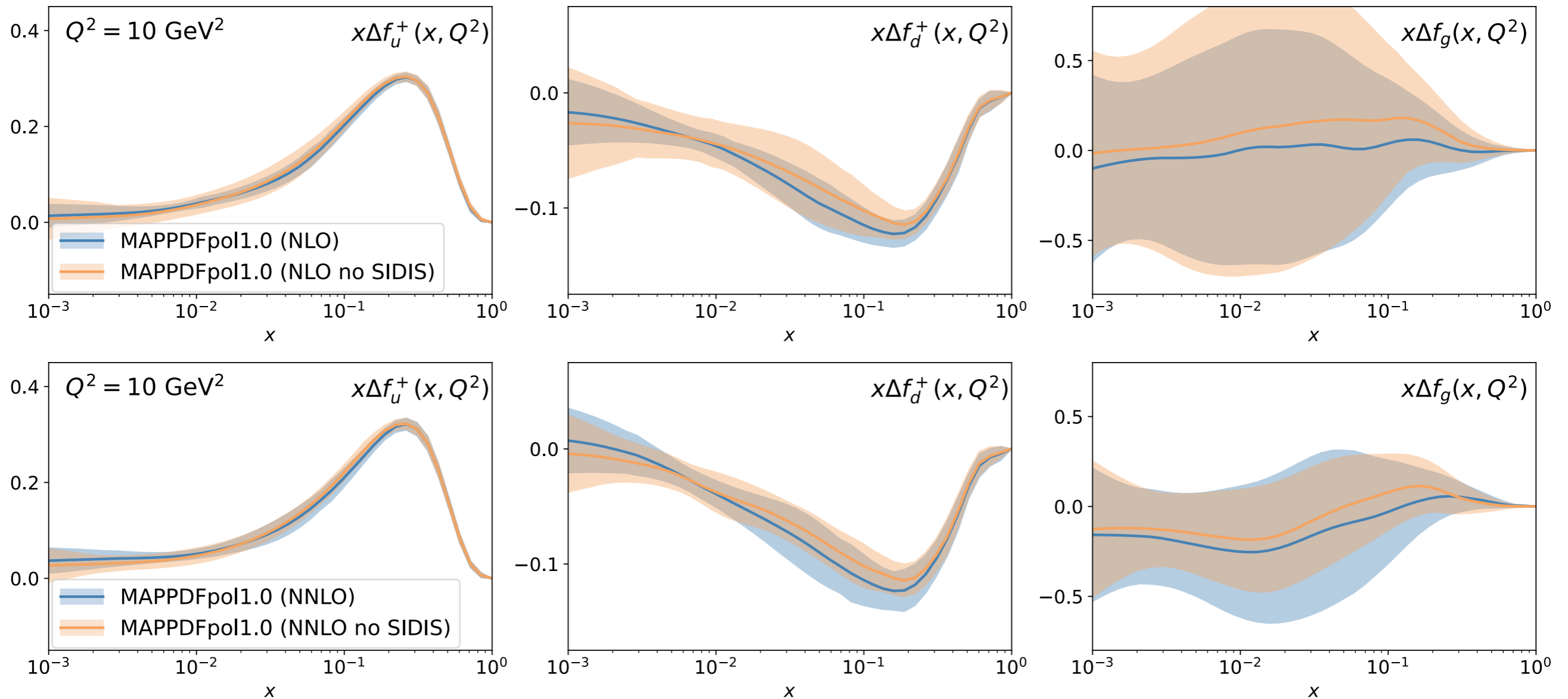


Reduction of uncertainties for strangeness when SIDIS included (NLO and NNLO)

Determination with SIDIS data still compatible with the global one

Strangeness compatible with zero within (large) uncertainties

Follow-up: SIDIS and NNLO

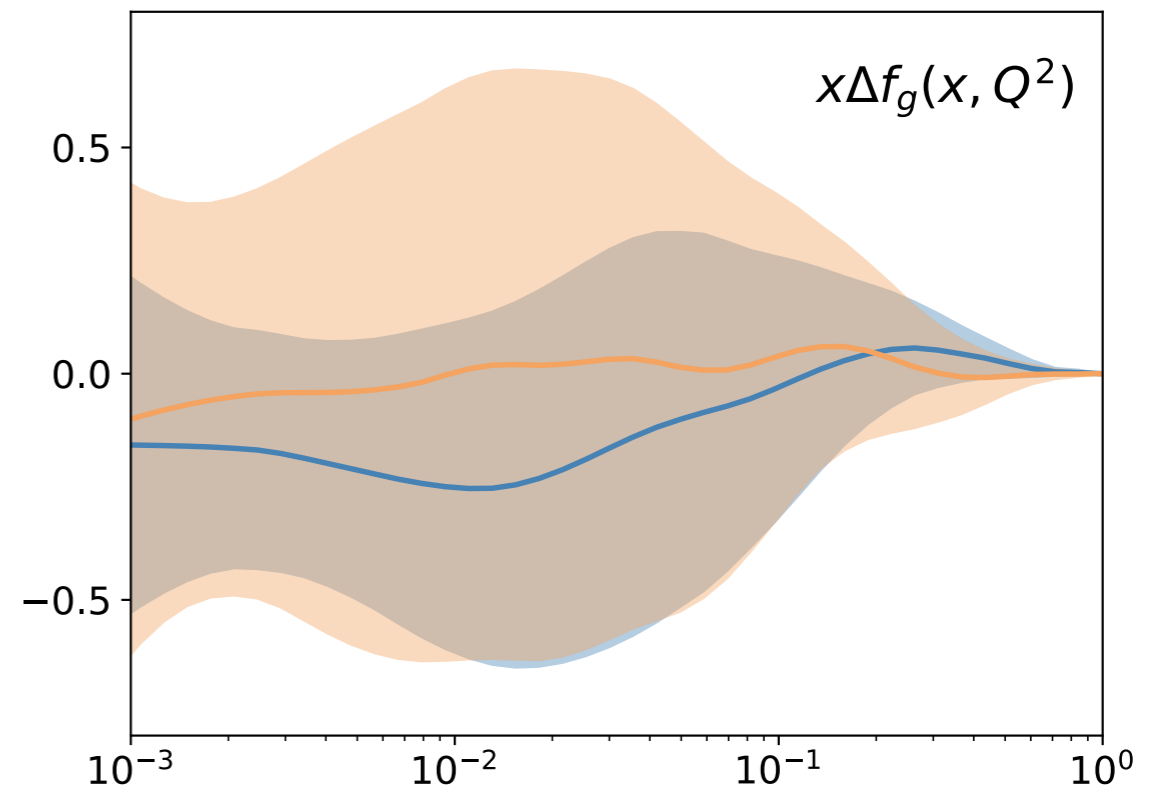
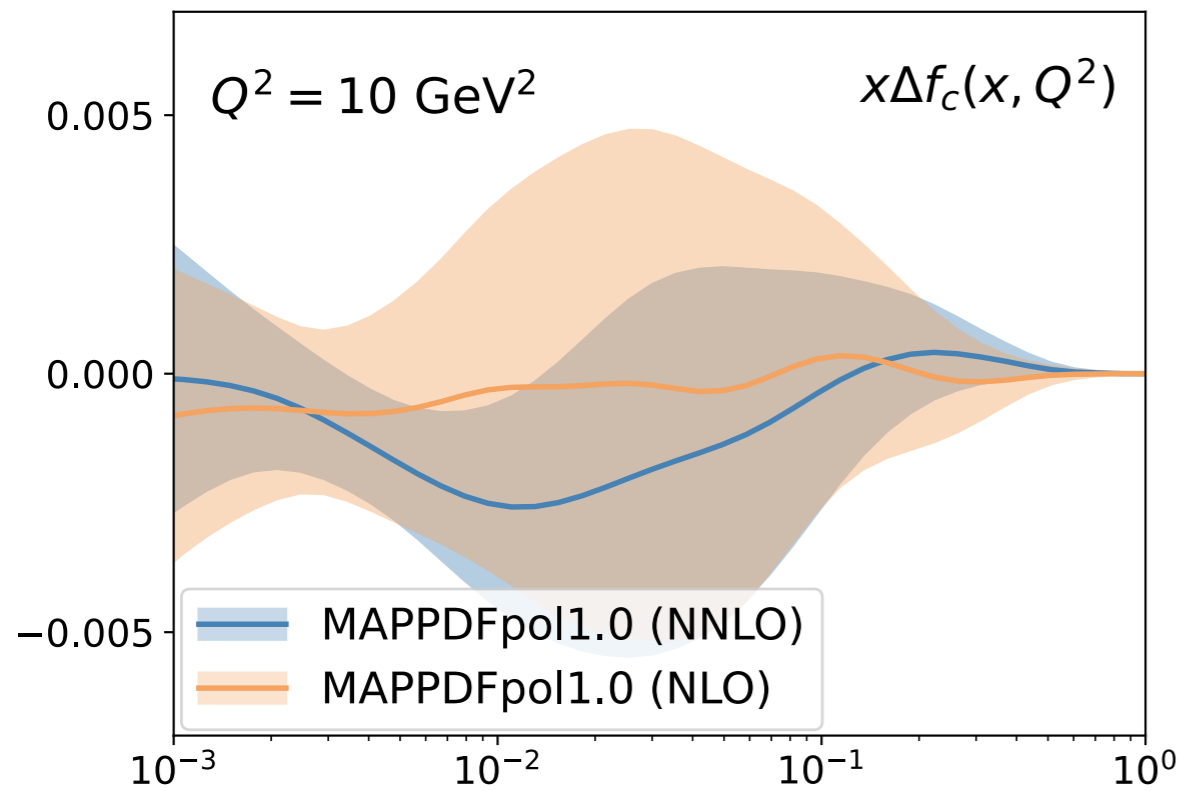


SIDIS has different impact at NLO and NNLO

uncertainties for u^+ , d^+ reduces at NLO, but increase at NNLO

The gluon is left unaltered

Polarised charm at NNLO



DIS data

Experiment	Set	N_{dat}	x_{min}	x_{max}	$Q_{\text{min}}^2 [\text{GeV}^2]$	$Q_{\text{max}}^2 [\text{GeV}^2]$	F	Ref.
E142	E142-G1N	8 (7)	.035	.466	1.1	5.5	g_1	PRL 71 (1993) 659
E143	E143-G1D	28 (25)	.031	.749	1.27	9.52	g_1	PRD 58 112003
	E142-G1P	28 (25)	.035	.466	1.27	9.52	g_1	PRD 58 112003
E154	E154-G1N	11	.017	.024	1.2	15.0	g_1	PRL 79 (1997) 26
E155	E155-A1P	24 (22)	.015	.750	1.22	34.72	g_1/F_1	PLB 493 (2000) 19
	E155-A1N	24 (22)	.015	.750	1.22	34.72	g_1/F_1	PLB 493 (2000) 19
EMC	EMC-G1P	10	.015	0.466	3.5	29.5	g_1	NPB 328 (1989) 1
JLAB E06 014	JLAB-A1N	6 (1)	.277	0.548	3.078	3.078	g_1/F_1	PRD 94 052003
JLAB E97 103	JLAB-E97-103-G1N	5 (0)	.160	.200	0.57	1.34	g_1	AIP CP 675 1 615
JLAB E99 117	JLAB-E99-117-G1N-F1N	3 (0)	.33	.60	2.71	4.83	g_1/F_1	PRC 70 065207
JLAB EG1 DVCS-D	JLAB-EG1-DVCS-G1D-F1D	44 (1)	.158	0.574	1.078	4.666	g_1/F_1	PRC 90 025212
	JLAB-EG1-DVCS-G1P-F1P	47 (2)	.154	0.578	1.064	4.115	g_1/F_1	PRC 90 025212
SMC	SMC-G1D	13 (12)	.002	.48	0.50	54.80	g_1	PRD 60 079902
	SMC-G1P	13 (12)	.002	.48	0.50	54.80	g_1	PRD 60 079902
COMPASS-D	CMP07-G1D	15	.0046	0.567	1.1	60.8	g_1	PRL 647 (2007) 8
COMPASS-P	CMP10-G1P	17	.0036	.57	1.1	67.4	g_1	PRL 690 (2010) 466
HERMES97	HERMES-G1N	9 (8)	.033	.464	1.22	5.25	g_1	PLB 404 (1997) 383
HERMES	HERMES-G1P	15 (14)	.0264	.7248	1.12	12.21	g_1	PRD 75 012007
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Total DIS		335 (218)						

SIDIS data

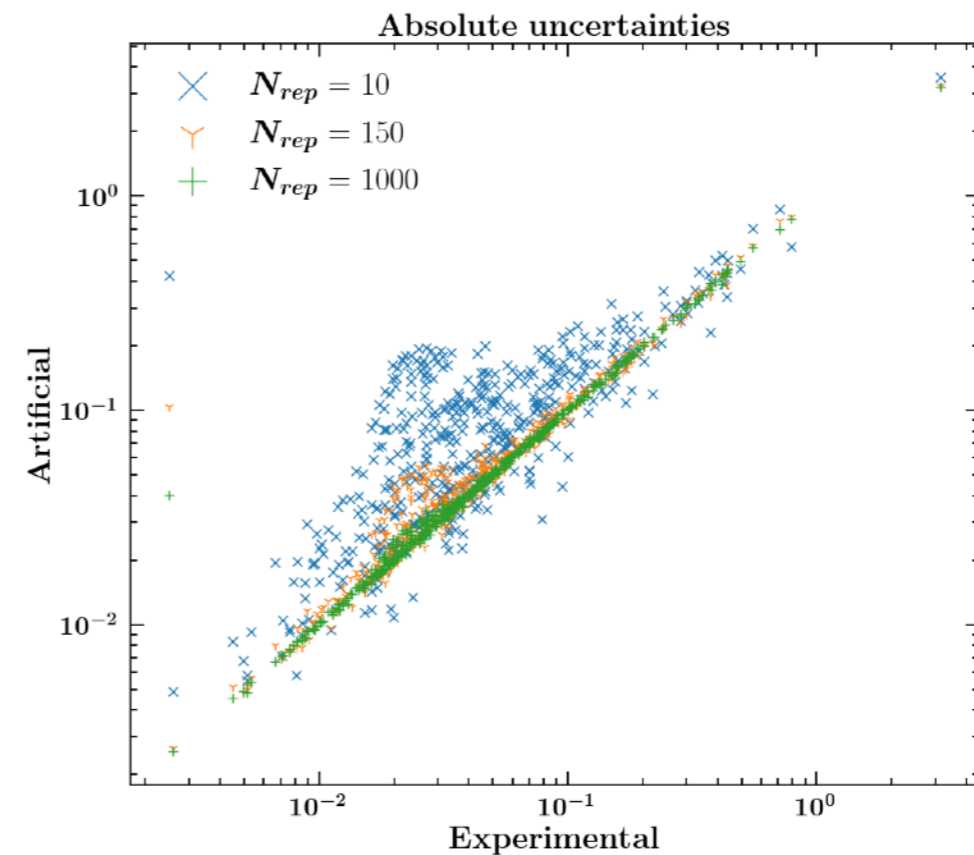
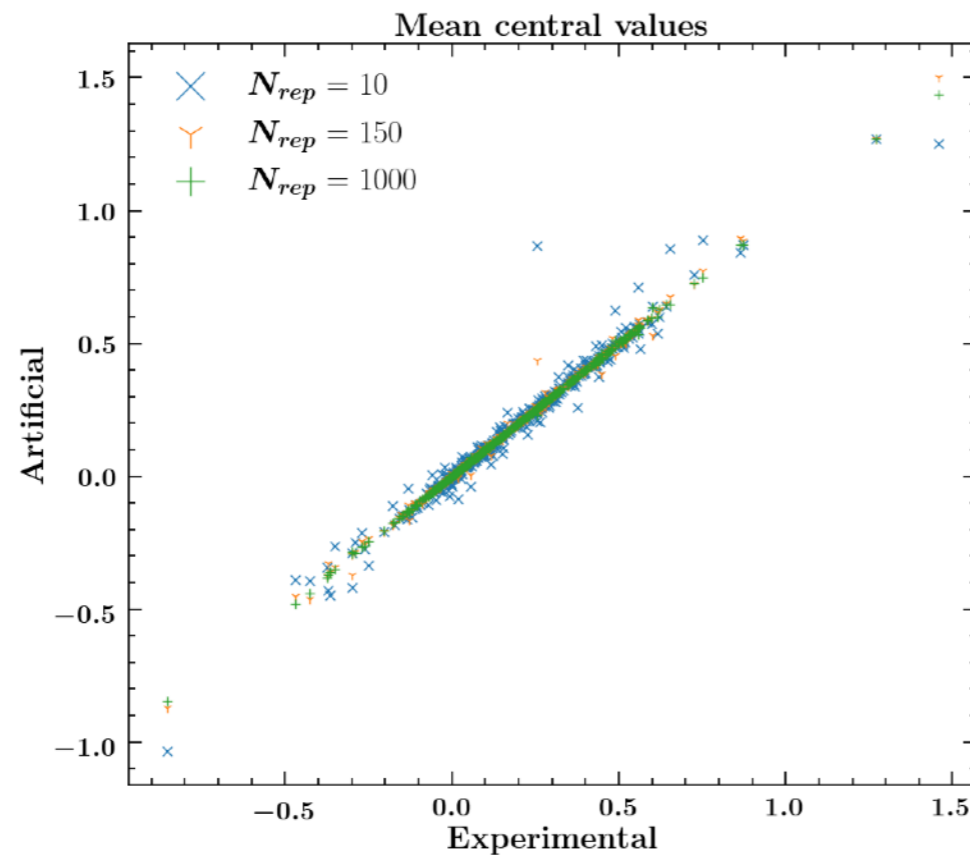
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COMPASS-P								
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	COMPASS-A1P-KA-PLUS	12	.004	.7	1.16	55.6	$g_1^{(h)}/F_1^{(h)}$	PLB 693 (2010) 227
	COMPASS-A1P-PI-MINUS	12	.004	.7	1.16	55.6	$g_1^{(h)}/F_1^{(h)}$	PLB 693 (2010) 227
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COMPASS-D								
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HERMES-P								
	HERMES-2018-A1P-PI-MINUS	9	.033	.449	1.22	10.28	$g_1^{(h)}/F_1^{(h)}$	PRD 71 012003
	HERMES-2018-A1P-PI-PLUS	9	.033	.449	1.22	10.17	$g_1^{(h)}/F_1^{(h)}$	PRD 71 012003
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Total SIDIS		142						
Total DIS + SIDIS		477 (360)						

Choosing the number of replicas

N_{rep} determined requiring statistical features of the data reproduced by the ensemble with relative accuracy below 1%

$$\left\langle F_i^{(art)} \right\rangle_{rep} = \frac{1}{N_{rep}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{rep}} F_i^{(art)(k)}$$

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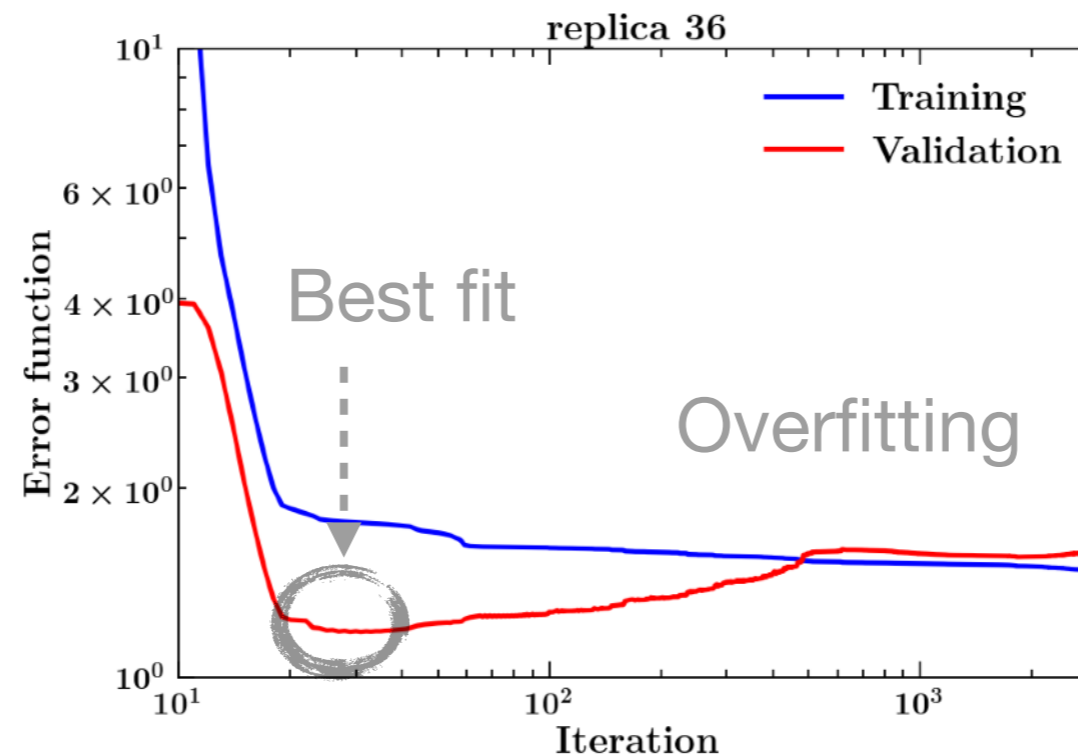
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