

# Parton Distribution Functions

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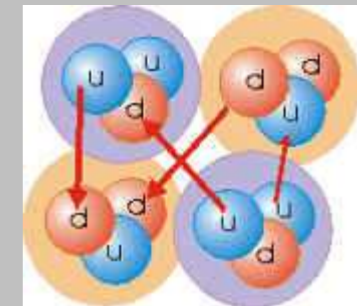
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# Outline

- ❶ QCD & Proton Structure
- ❷ Factorization
- ❸ Parton Distributions & Global Analysis
- ❹ Strange & Charm PDF
- ❺ nuclear PDFs

# QCD in a Nutshell

Quantum Chromodynamics - The field theory of the strong interactions



The Actors: The quarks & gluons

First generation	Second generation	Third generation
Up	Charm	Top
Down	Strange	Bottom



The Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \bar{\psi}(\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m)\psi - \frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$$

The parameters:

$$m_u, m_d, m_s, \Lambda, m_c, m_b, m_t, \Theta \ll 1$$





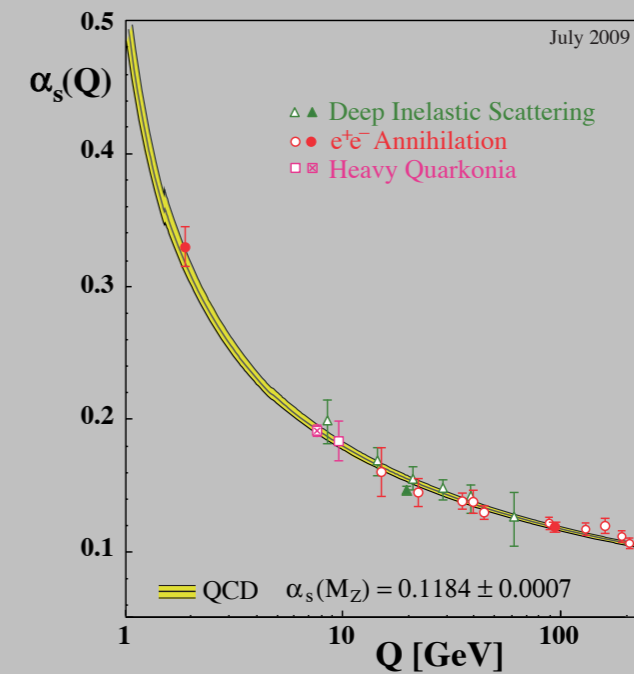
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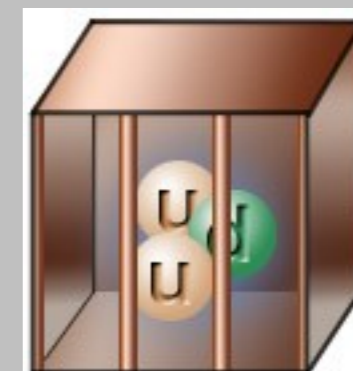


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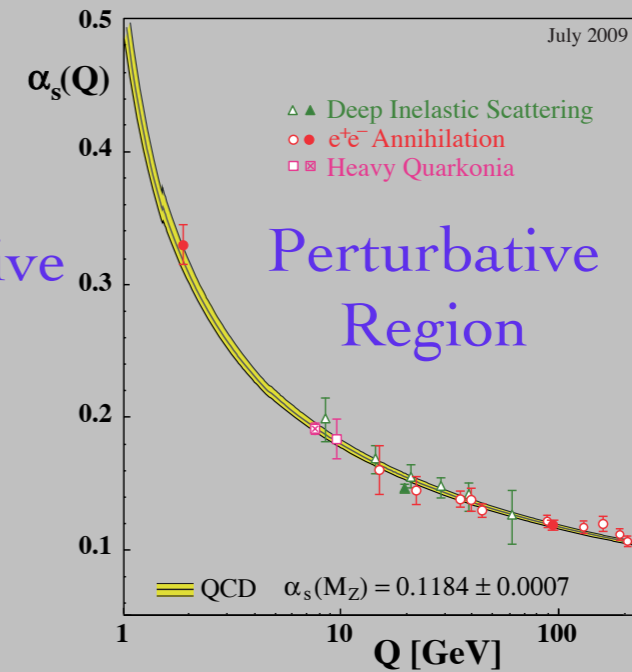
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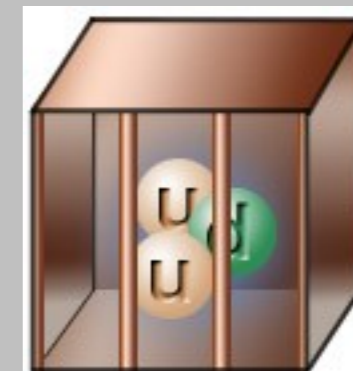


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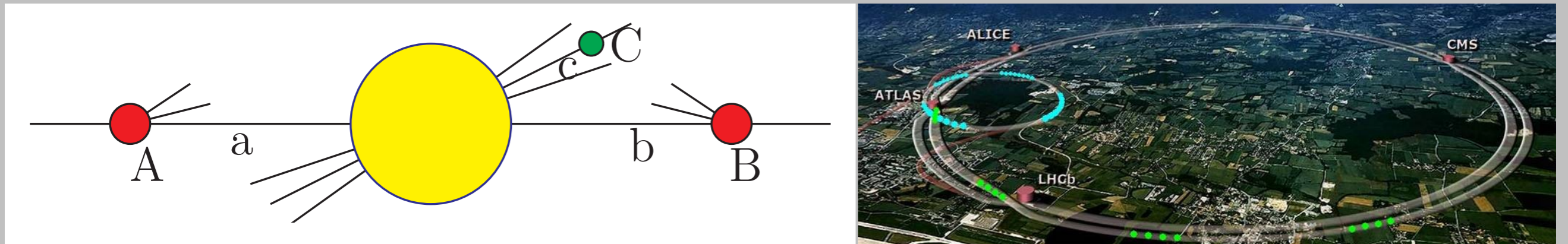
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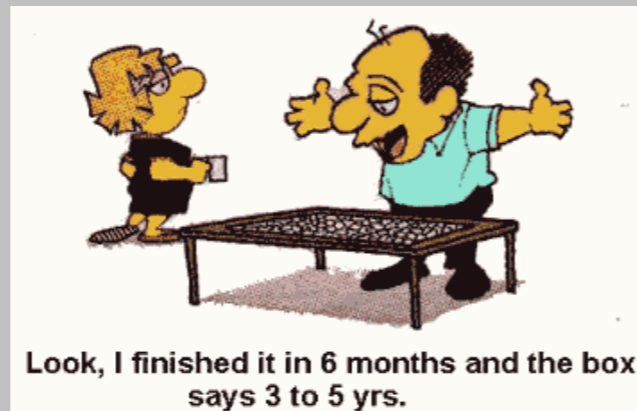
From Theory to Measurement



$$\sigma_{AB \rightarrow C} = PDF_{a/A} \otimes PDF_{b/B} \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow c} \otimes FF_{C/c}$$

The partonic cross-section:

- ✦ Calculable in perturbation theory (very time consuming!)
- ✦ Depends on the process



$$\hat{\sigma} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_s^{n+1} \hat{\sigma}^{(n)}$$

The PDFs & FFs:

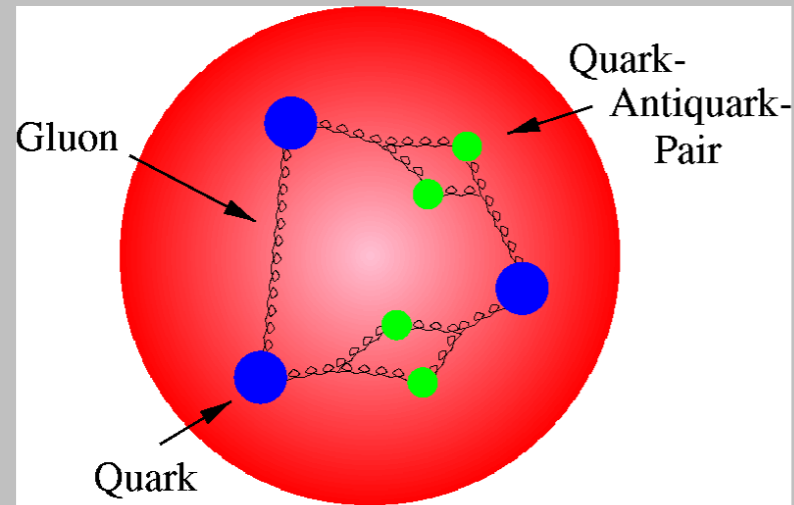
- ✦ NOT calculable via PT -> extracted via Global Fits
- ✦ Universal

# PDFs

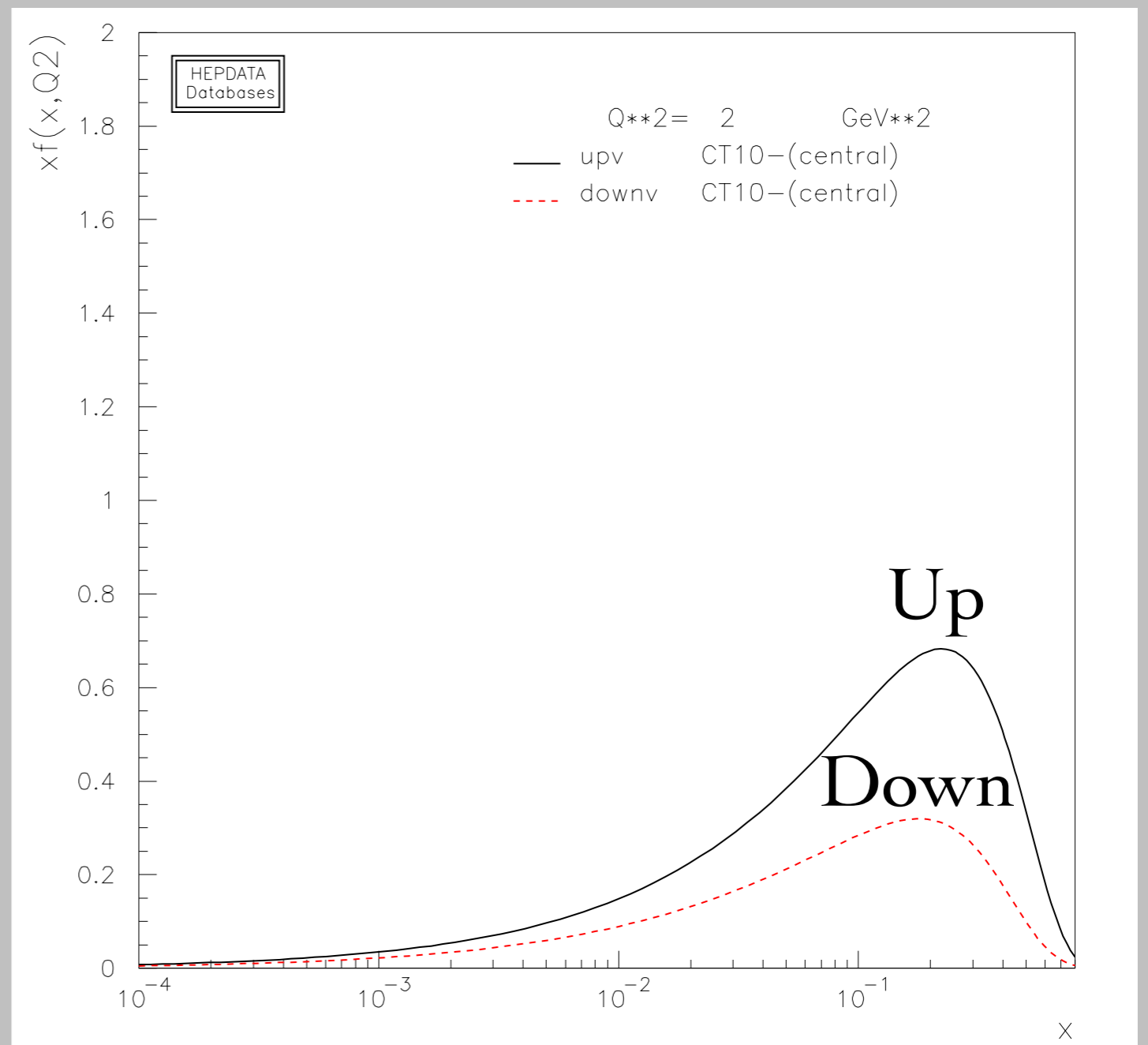
The PDFs provide the distributions of the partons in the proton

- ♦ x-dependence:  $x = \frac{p_z}{P_z}$ 
  - ♦ fraction of proton's momentum carried by parton
  - ♦ (so far) not computable from first principles
- ♦ Q-dependence:
  - ♦ Q is the so-called factorization scale
  - ♦ Q dependence governed by RGE's (DGLAP evolution equations)

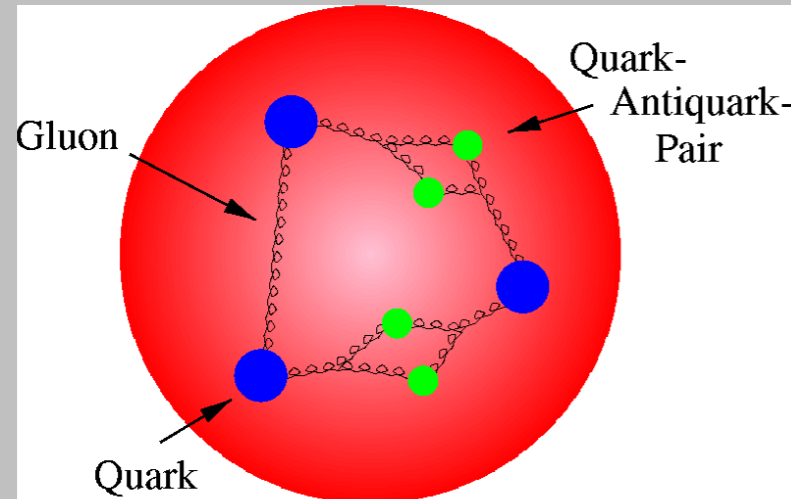
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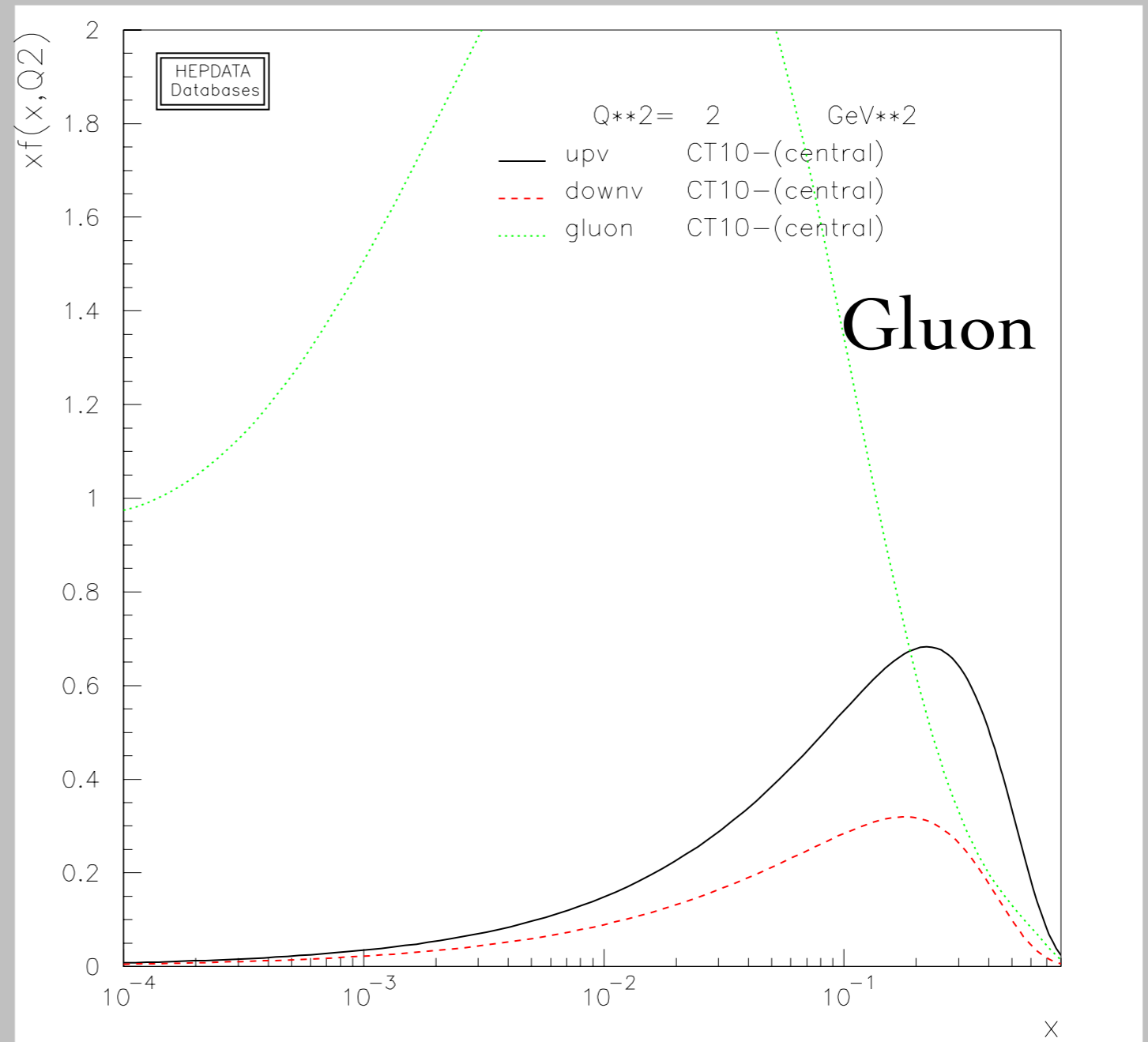
- ◆ Valence quarks  
 $p = |uud\rangle$



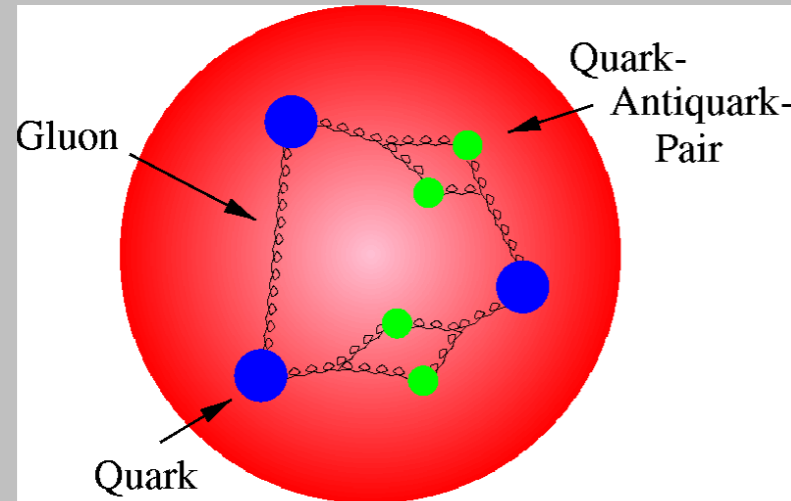
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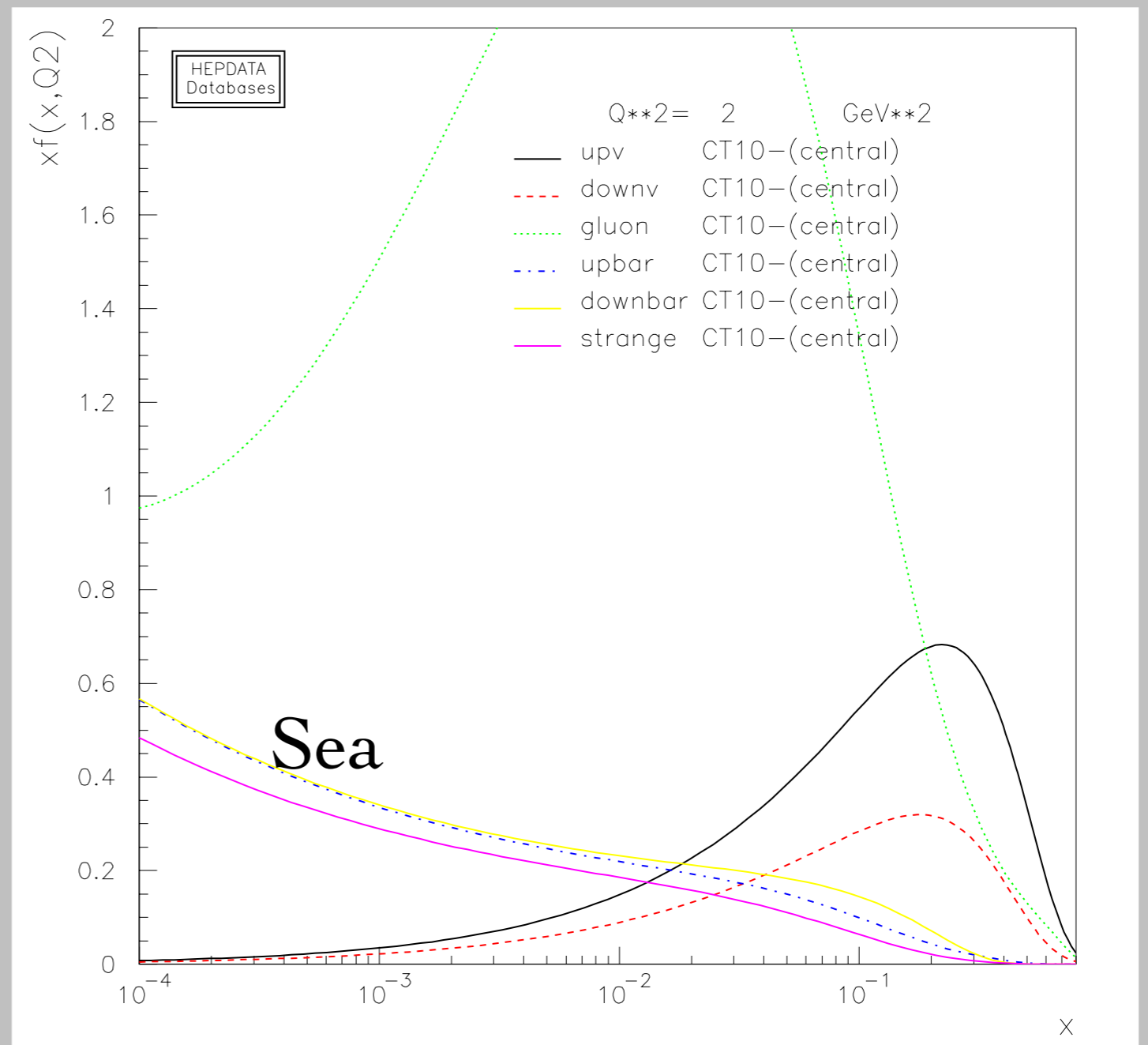
- ◆ Gluons carry about 40% of the momentum!



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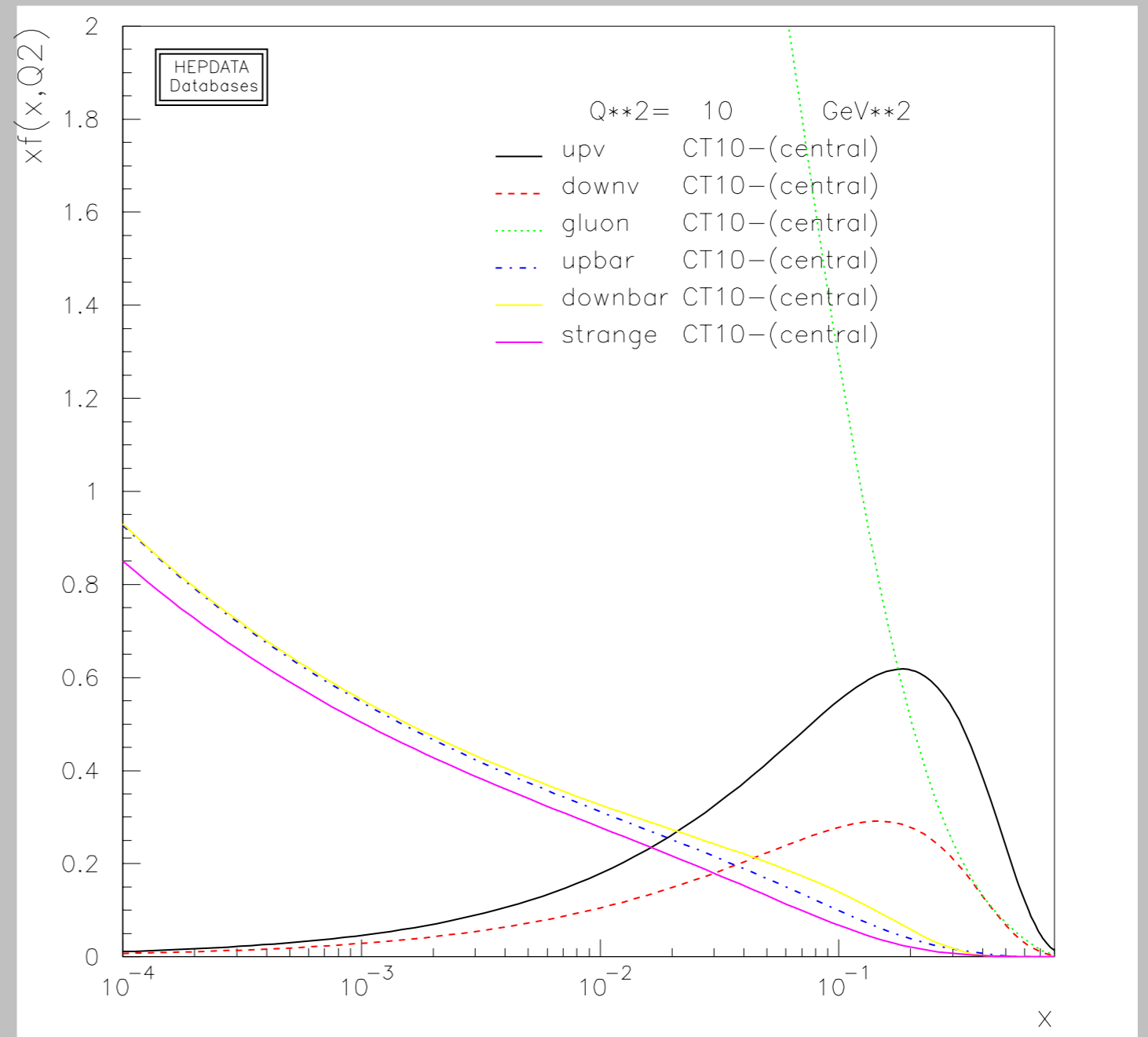


- ◆ **Sea quarks**  
light quark sea,  
strange quark sea



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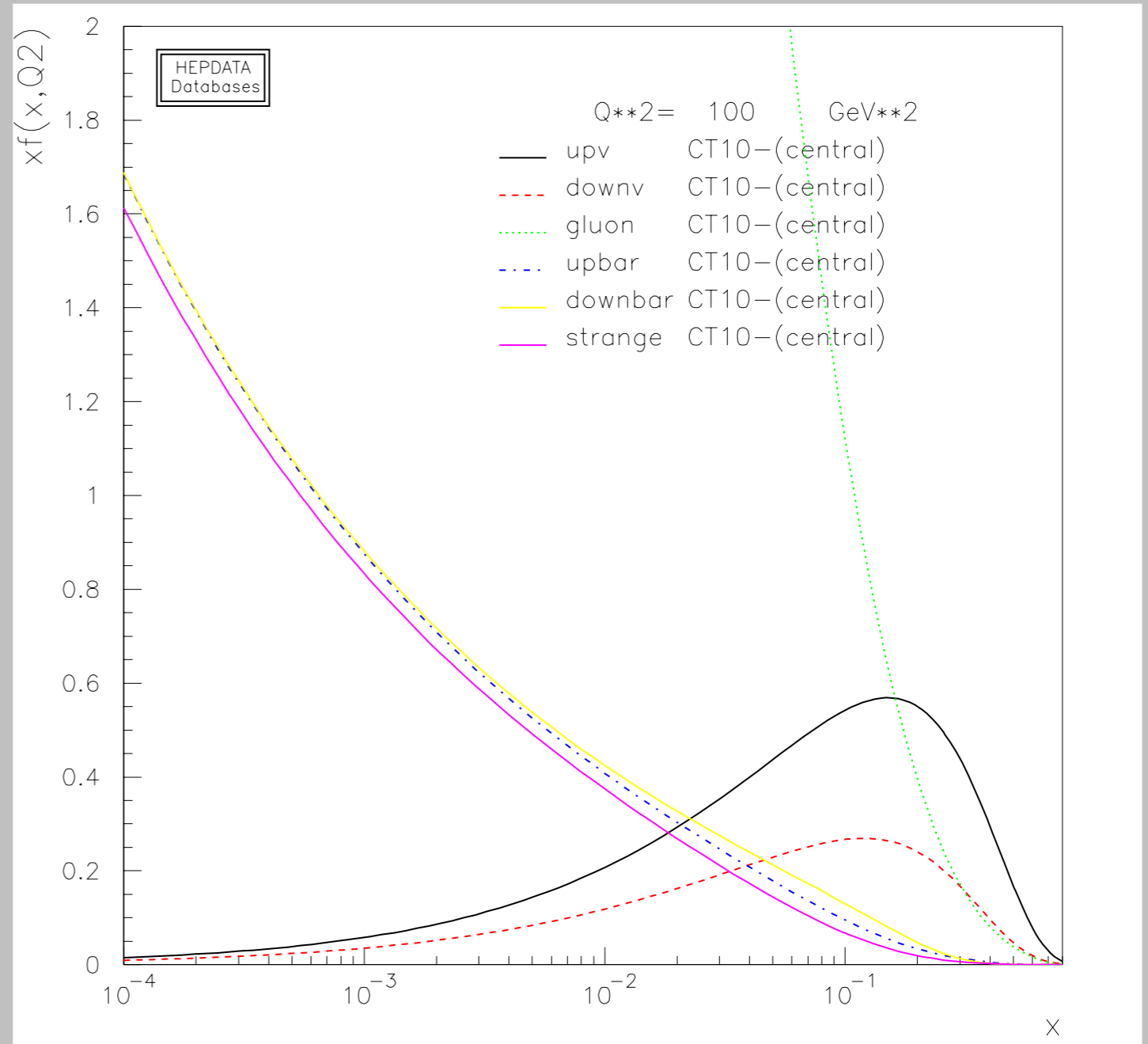
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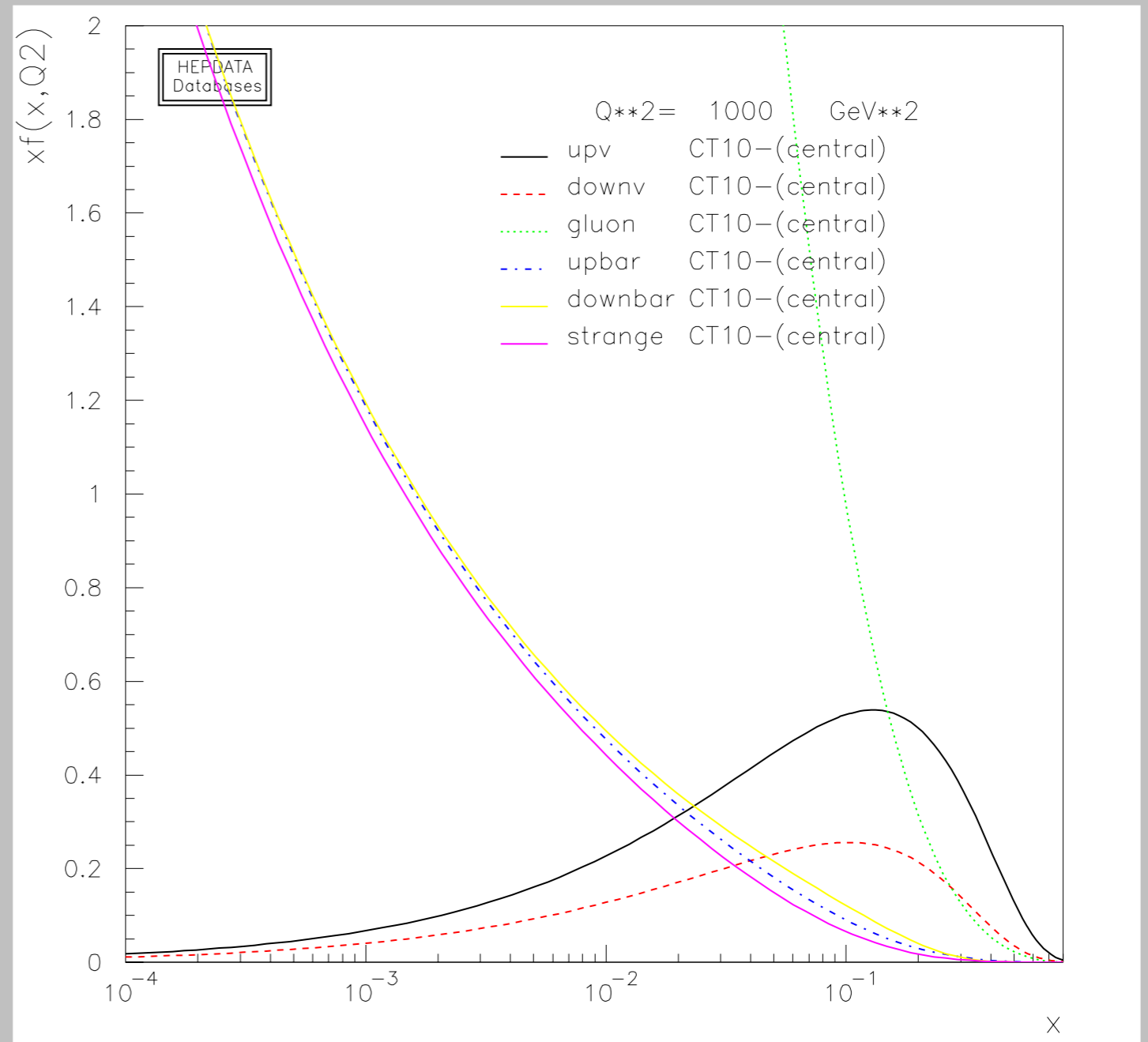
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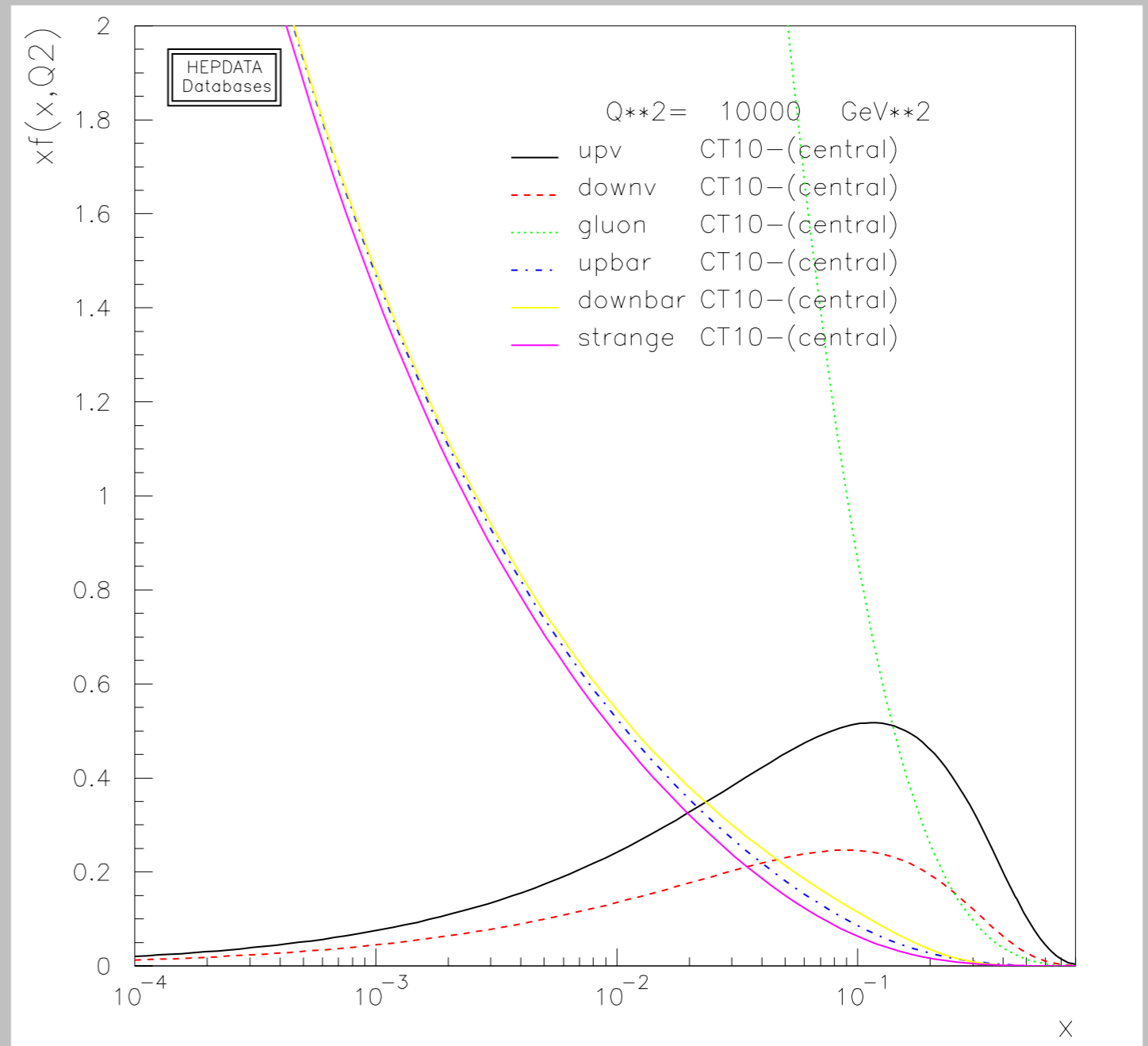
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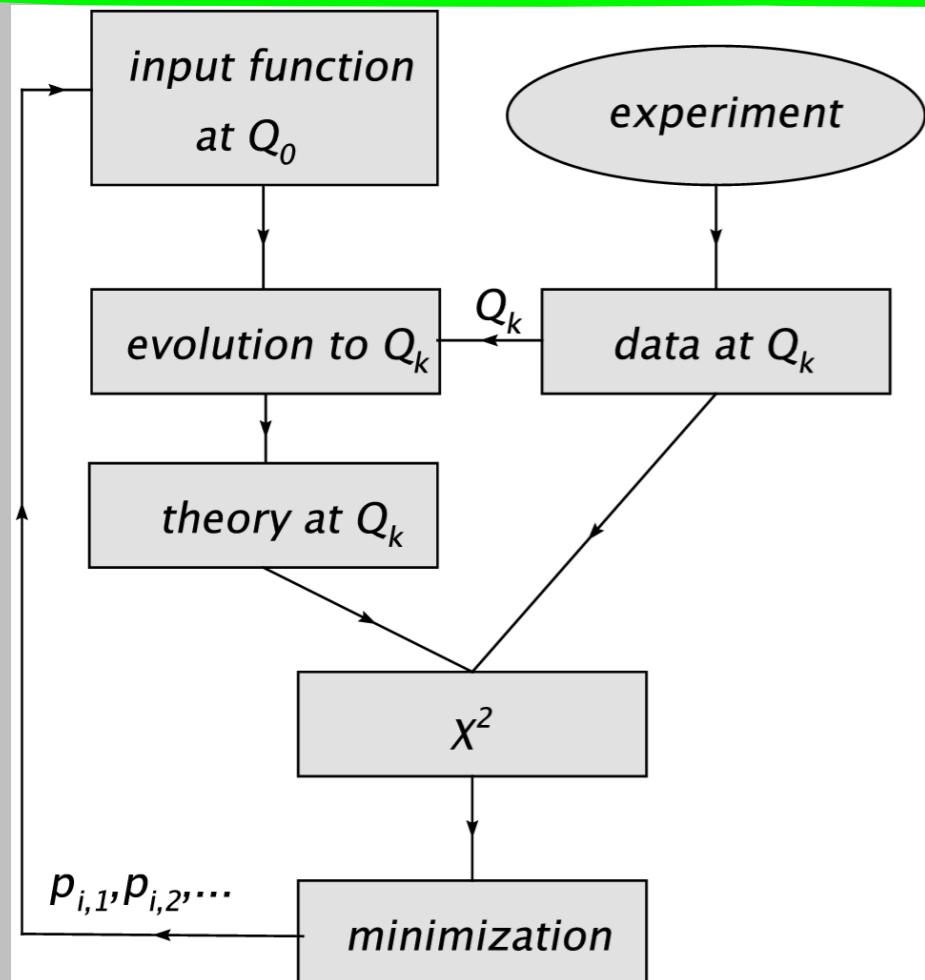
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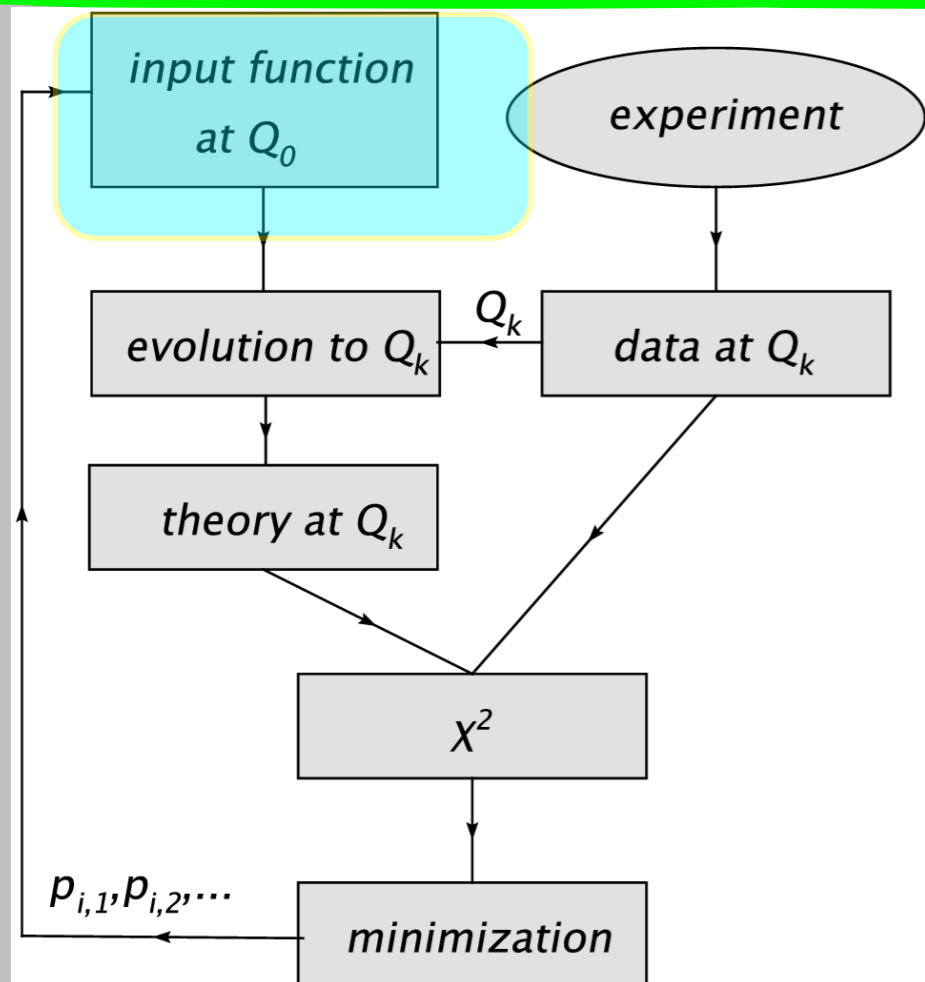


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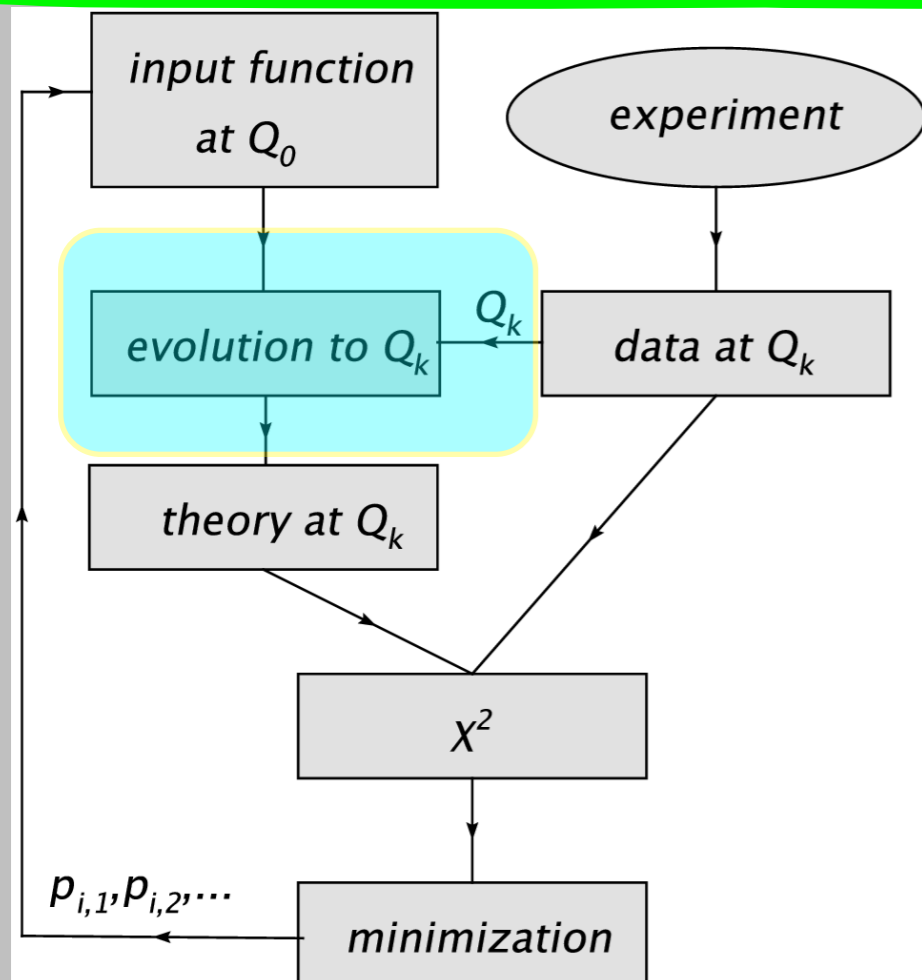
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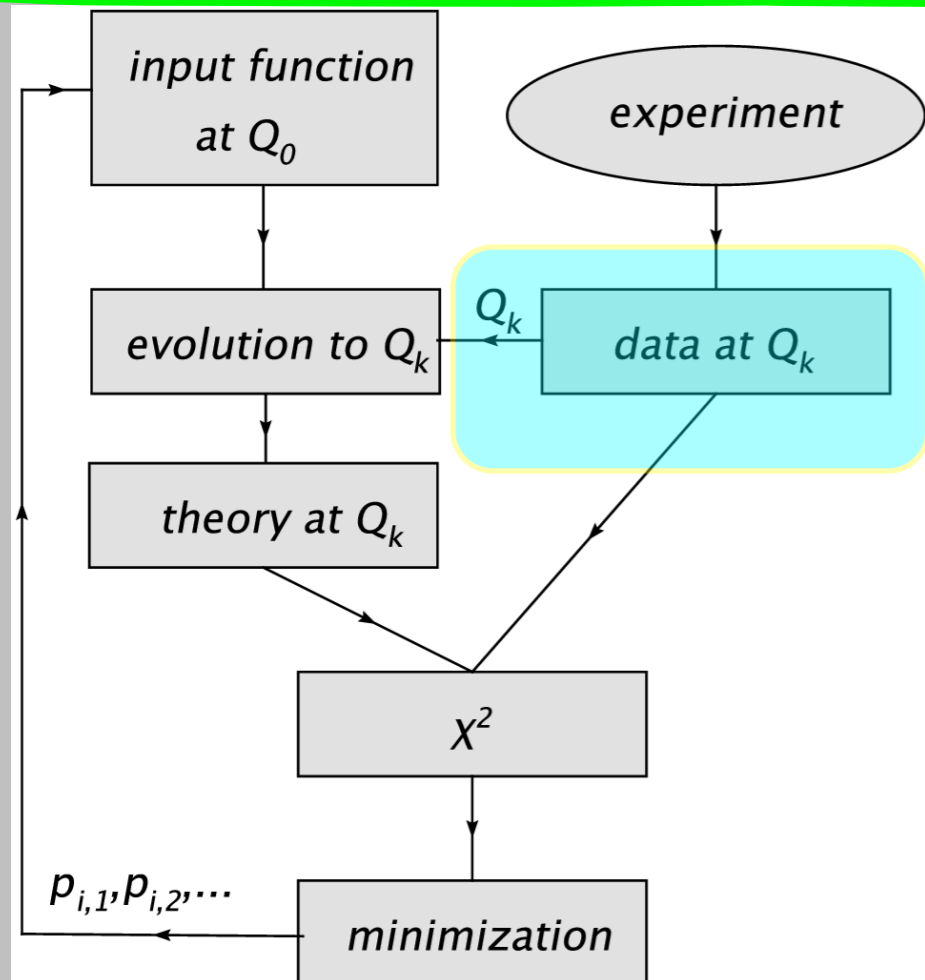
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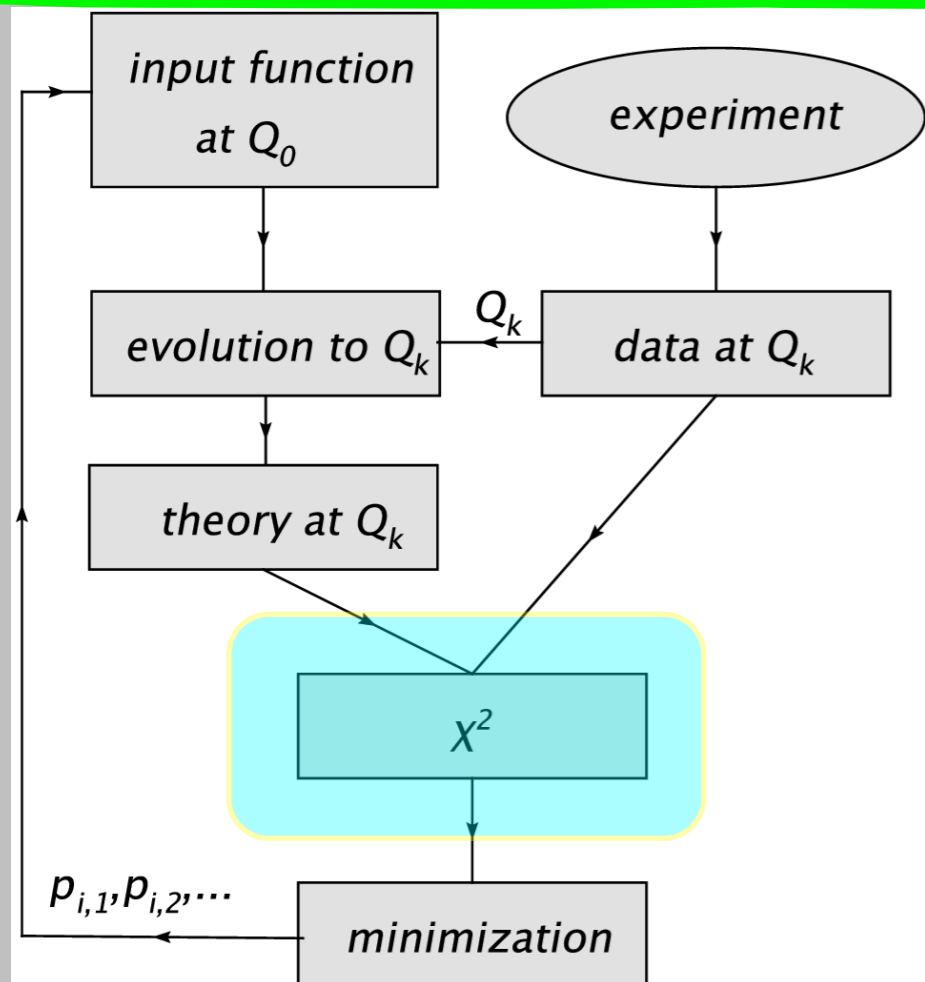
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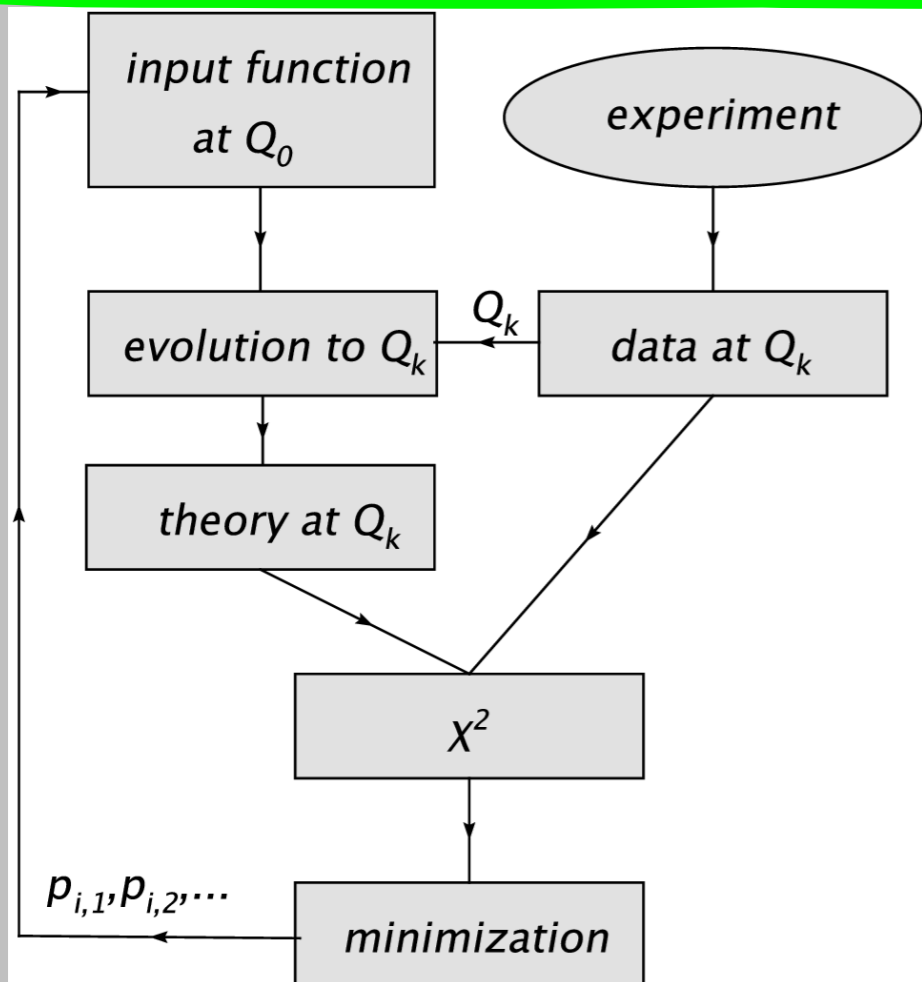
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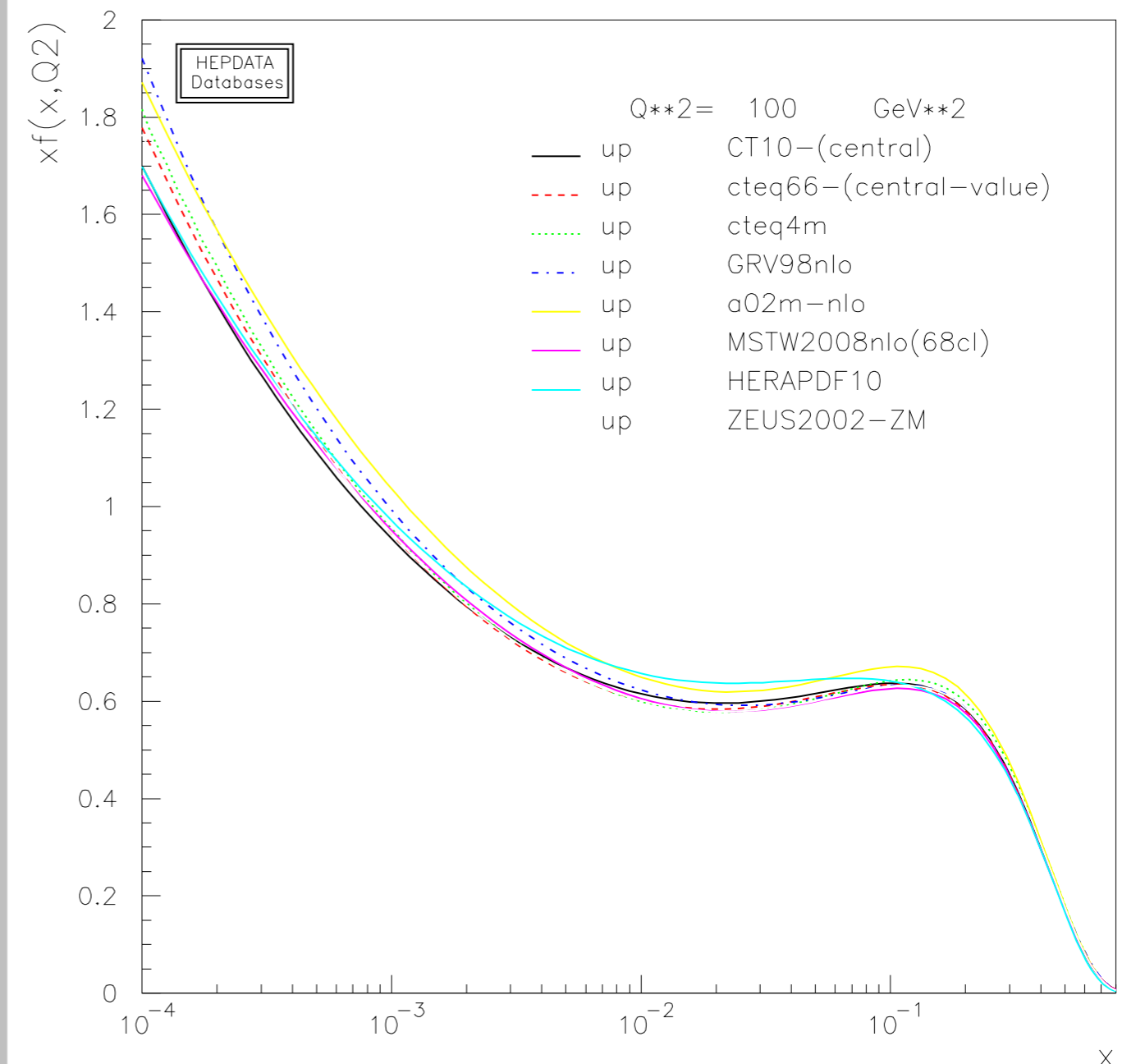
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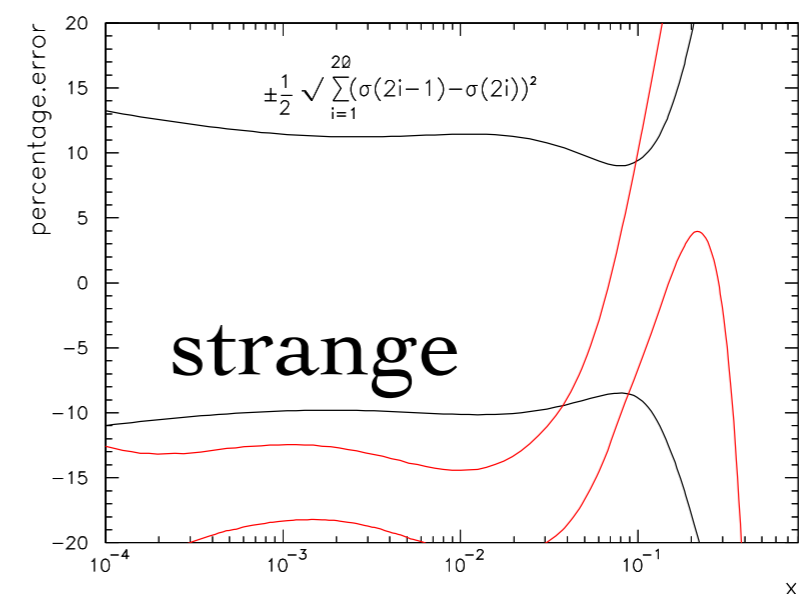
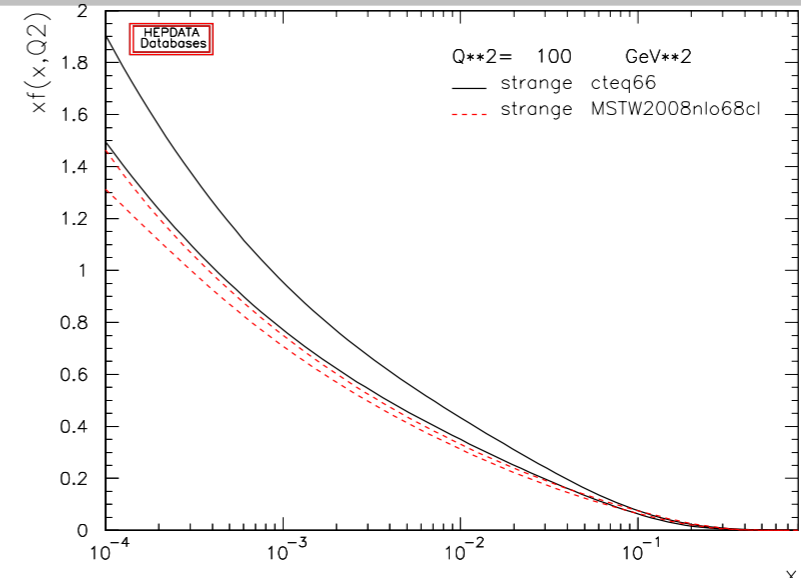
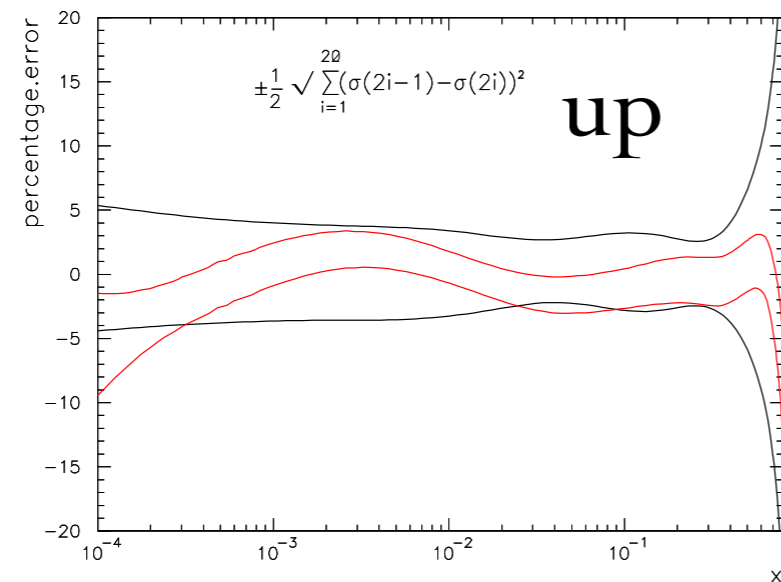
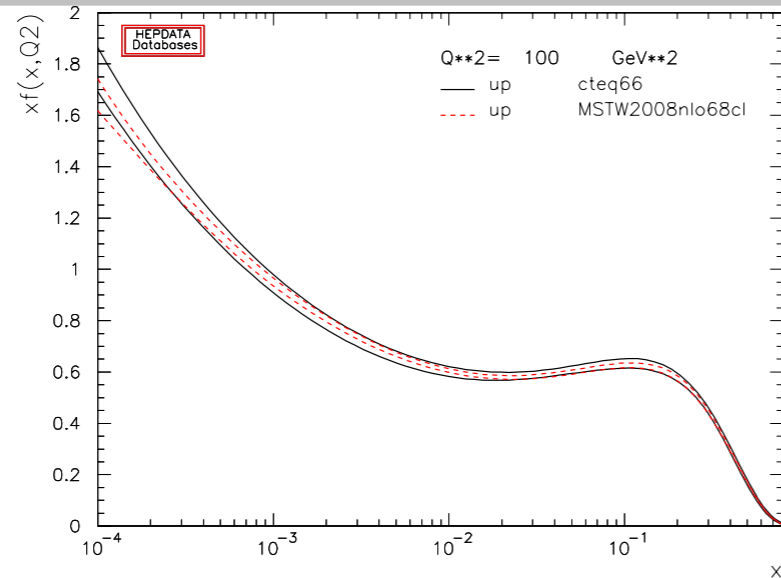
# PDFs

Many Different groups fitting PDFs in last 2-3 decades

- ✦ CTEQ, MSTW, GRV, ABMS, HERAPDF, ZEUS, NNPDFs ...
- ✦ Differ in functional forms, data used, etc.



# PDF Uncertainty



Decreasing PDF Uncertainty:

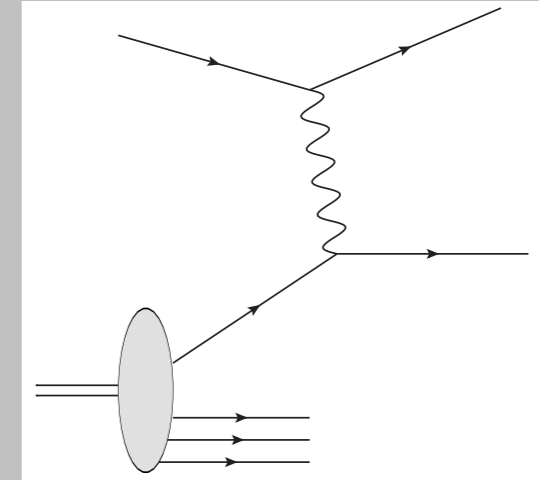
- ✦ More data with reduced error
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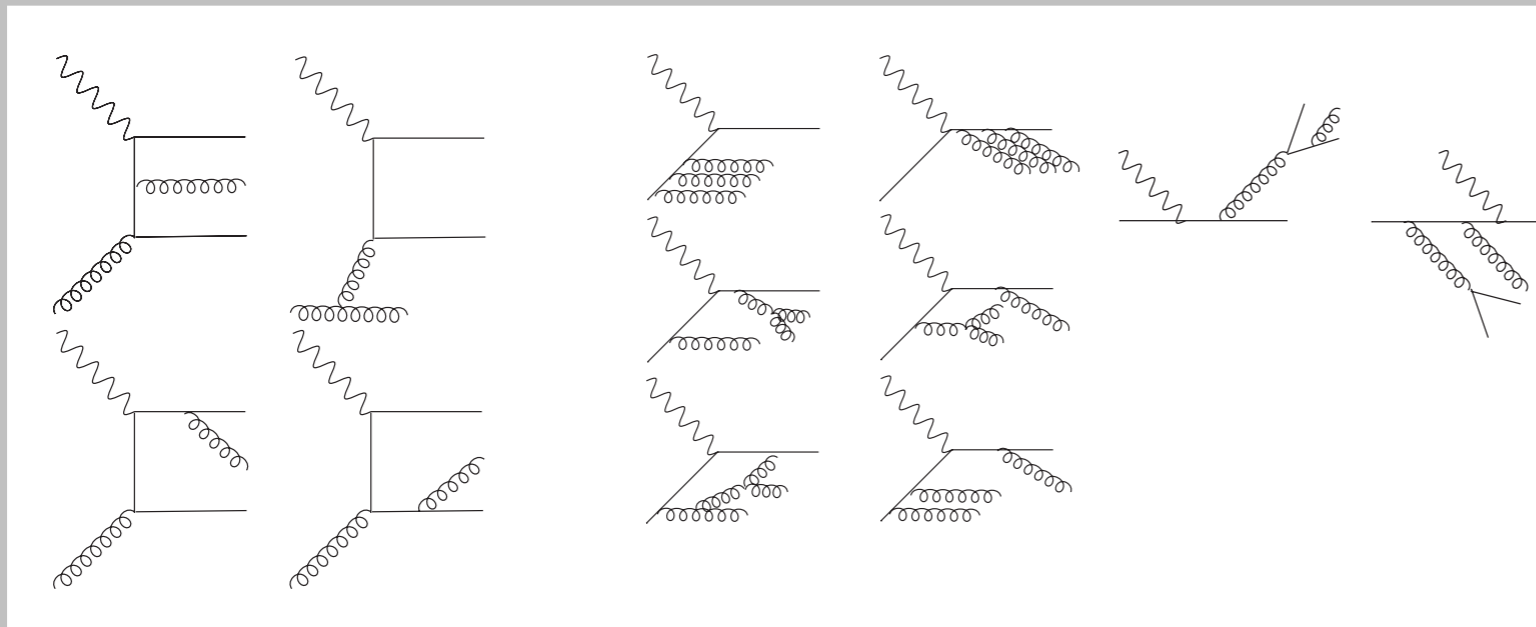
$$F_2(x, Q^2) = \sum e_q^2 x(q + \bar{q})(x, Q^2)$$

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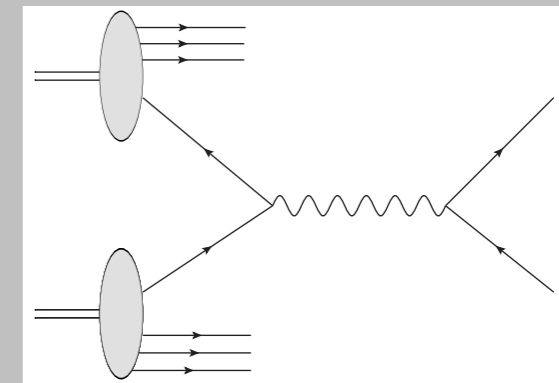
Structure Functions  
Backbone of Global Analysis



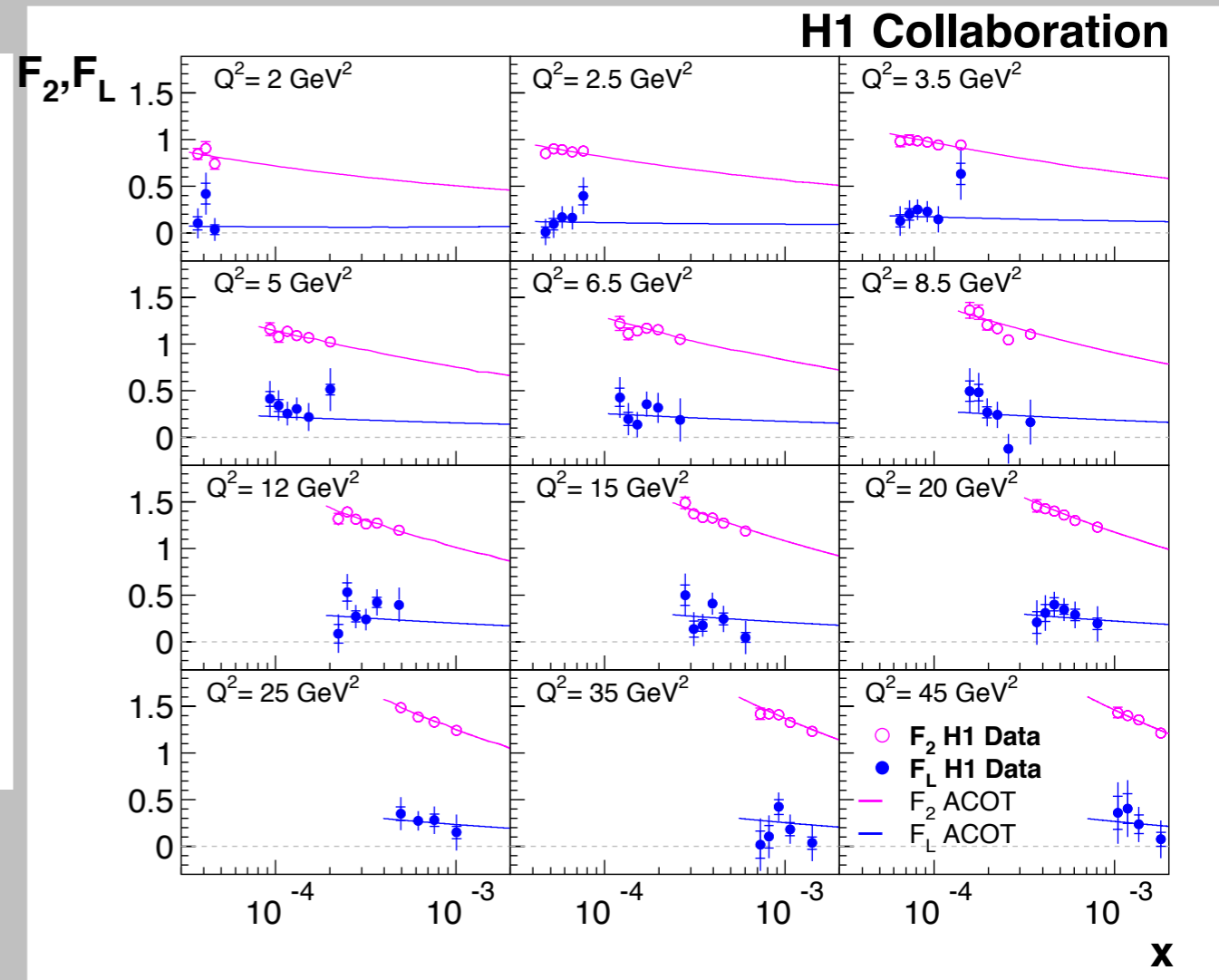
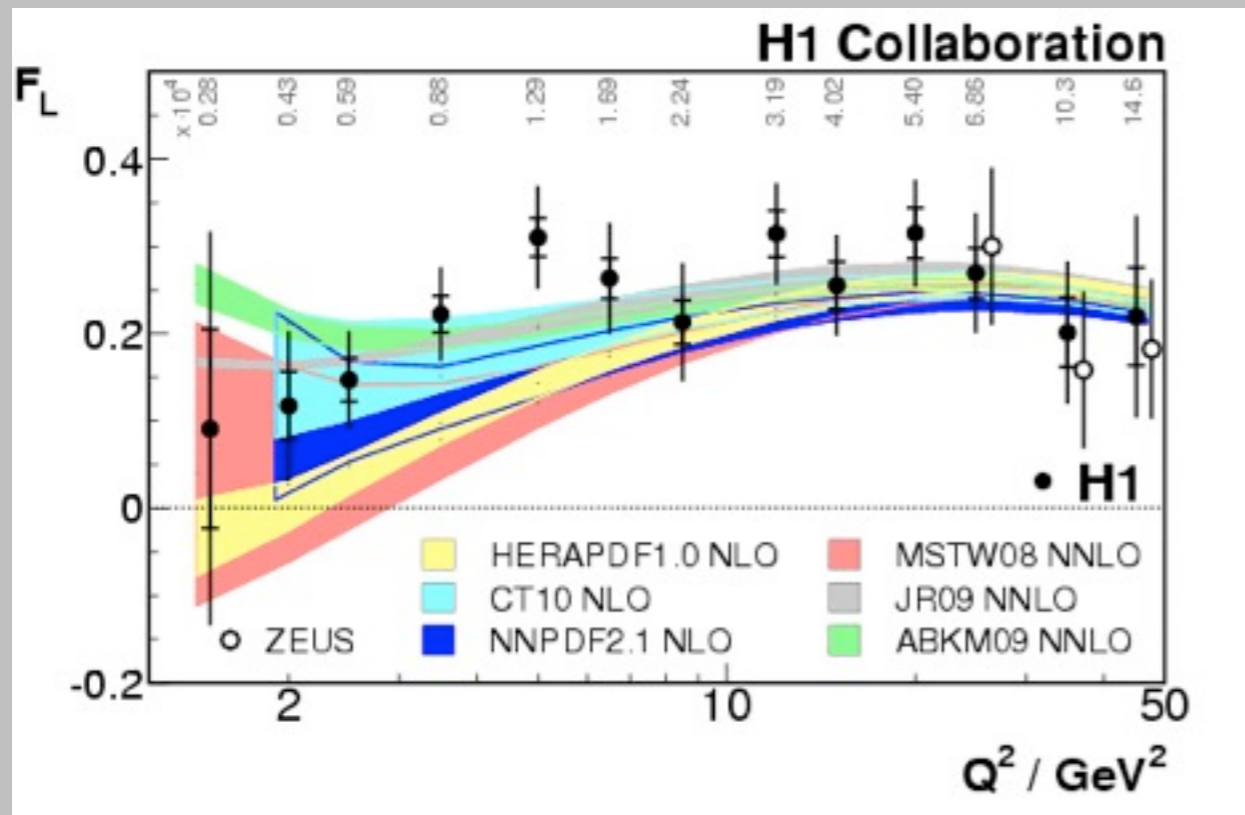
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deep inelastic scattering



DY  
Drell-Yan



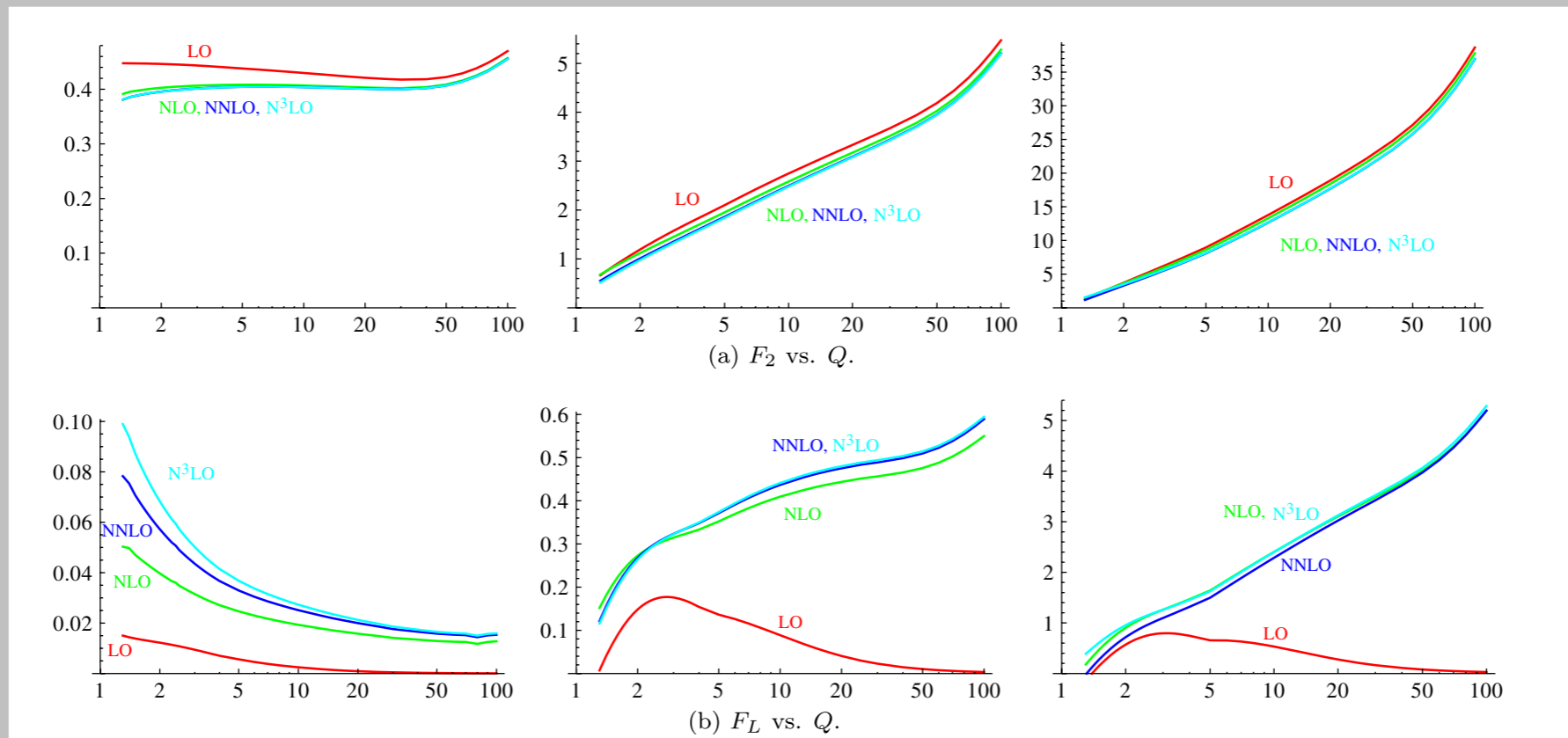
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Striving toward increased precision in both data and theory!

# Structure Functions to N<sub>3</sub>LO

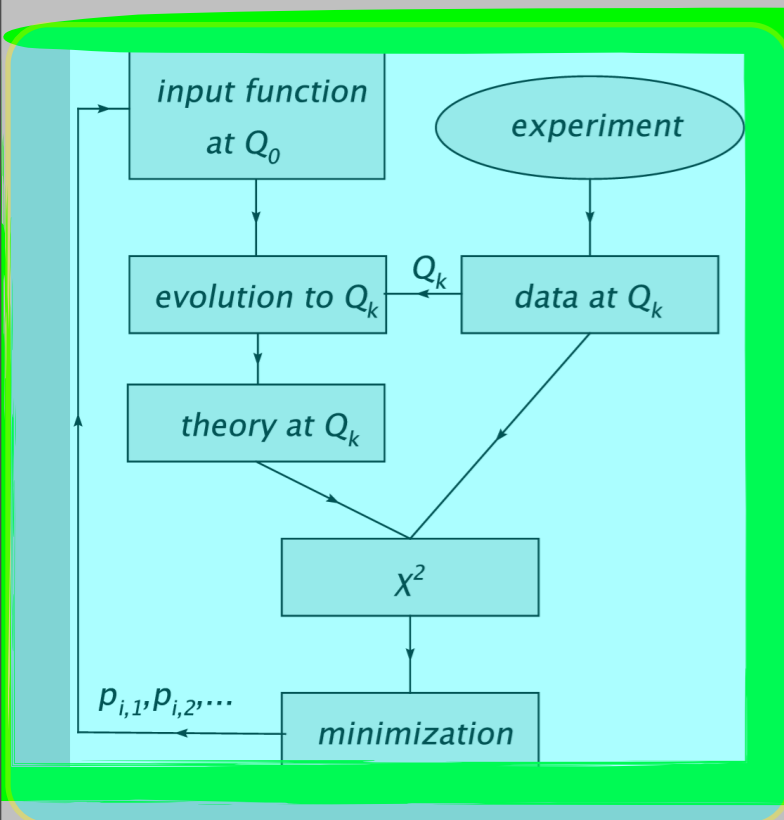
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$x = \{10^{-1}, 10^{-3}, 10^{-5}\}$  (left to right)

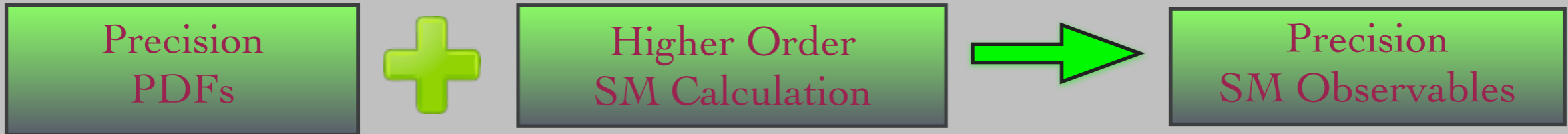
- ♦  $F_2$  - the higher order corrections converge quickly
- ♦  $F_L$  - difference noticeable at each order - obvious need for higher order corrections

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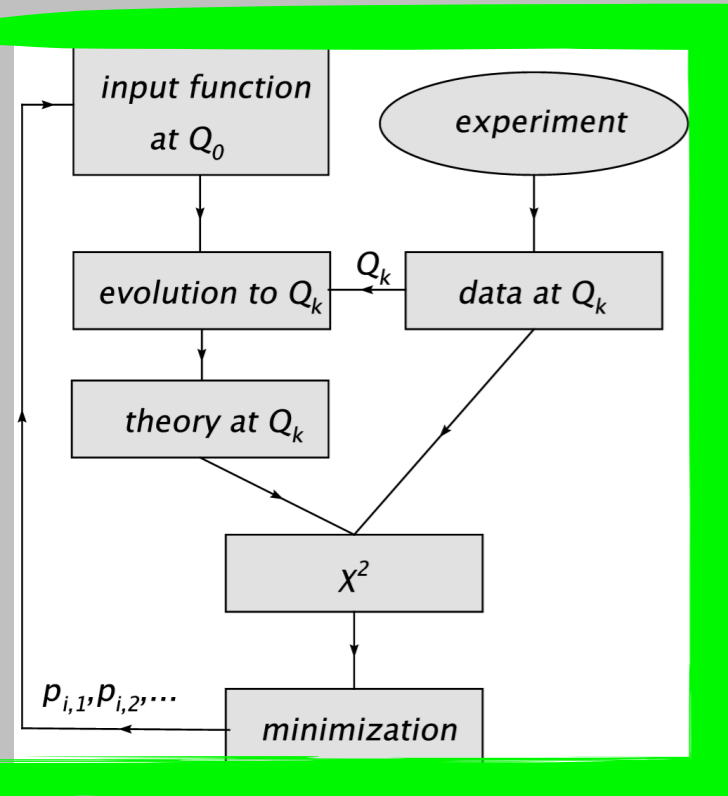


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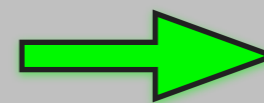
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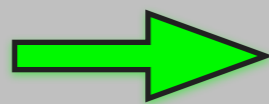


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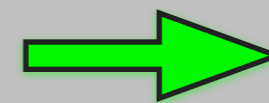


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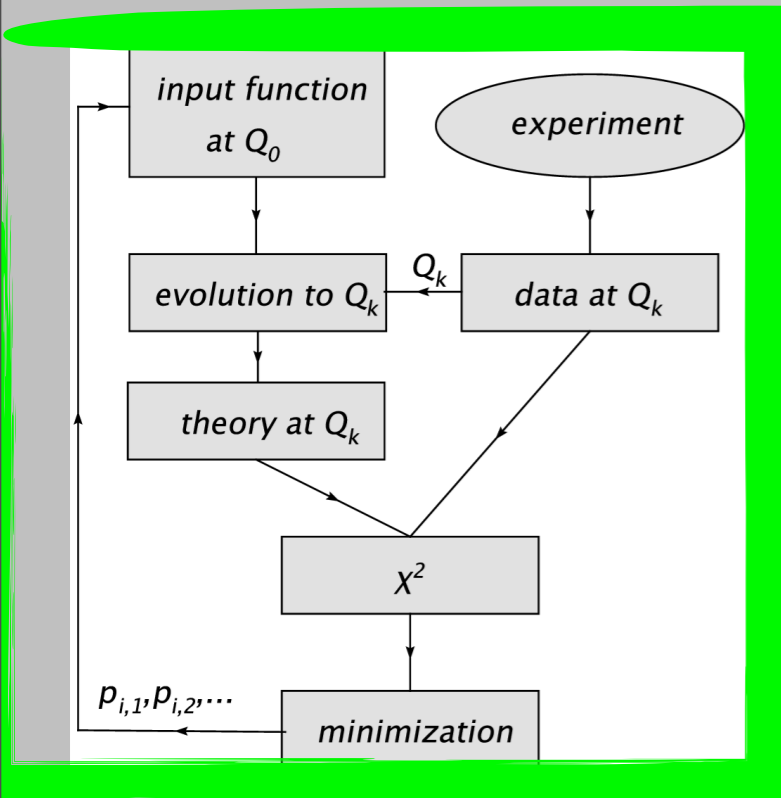
Background for  
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Akin & Suchita's  
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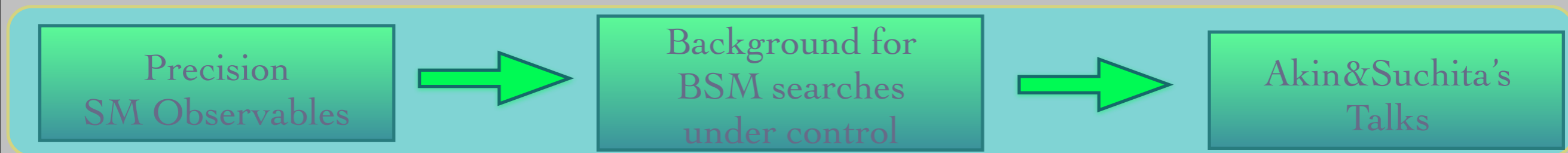
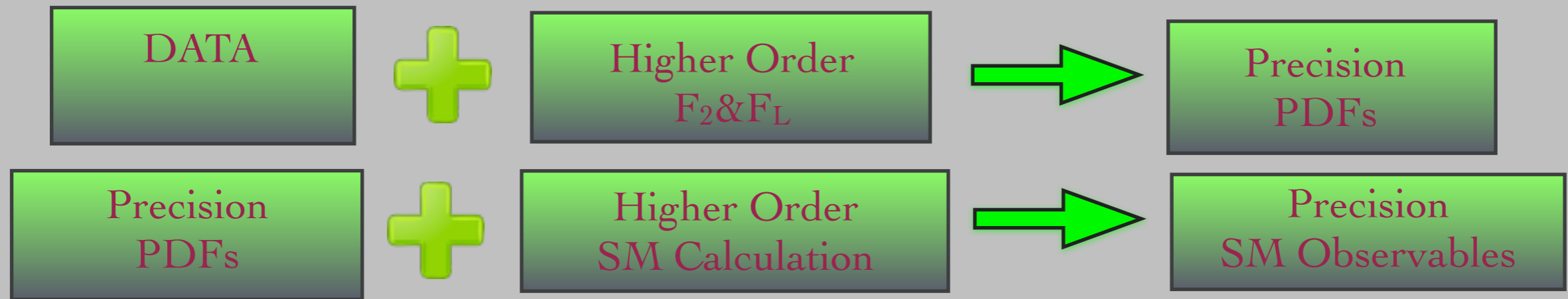


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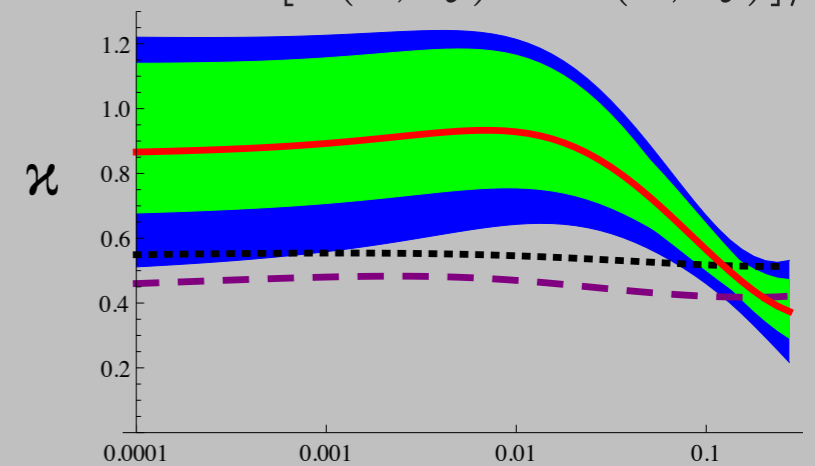
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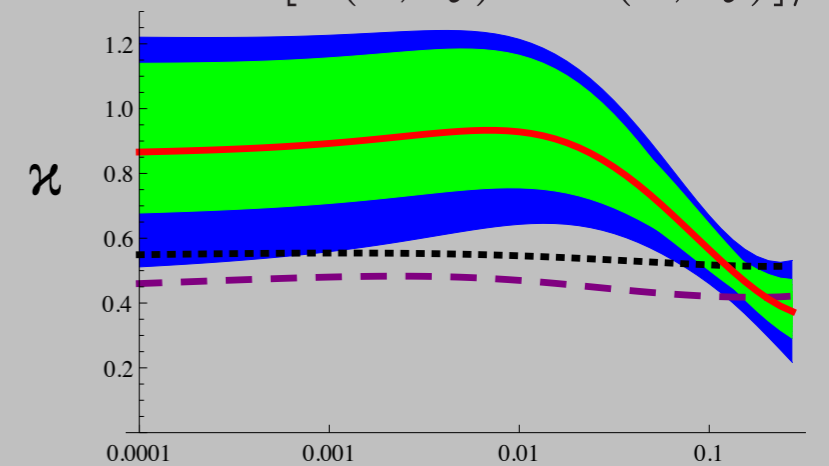
$\bar{d} = \bar{u}$  also doesn't hold

The SU(2)  $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}$  symmetry is also broken:

$$\bar{d} > \bar{u}$$

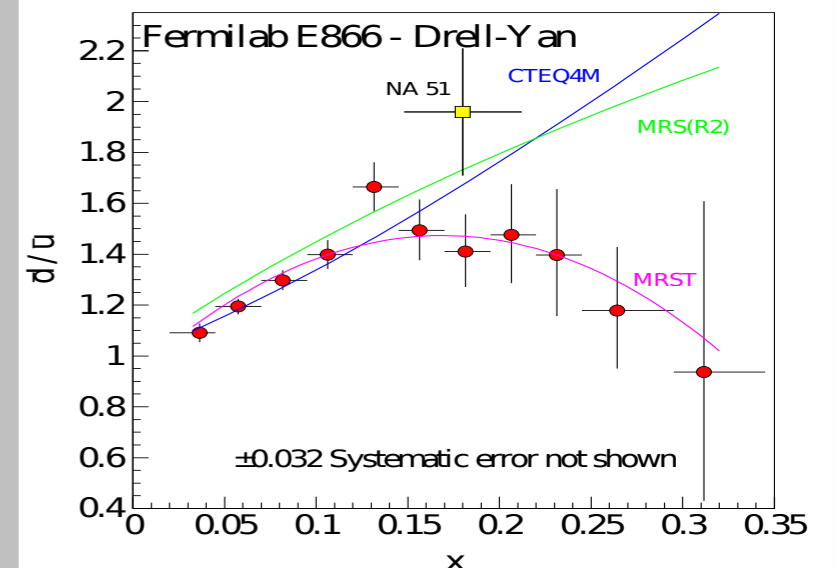
Still assumed  $\begin{pmatrix} p \\ n \end{pmatrix}$

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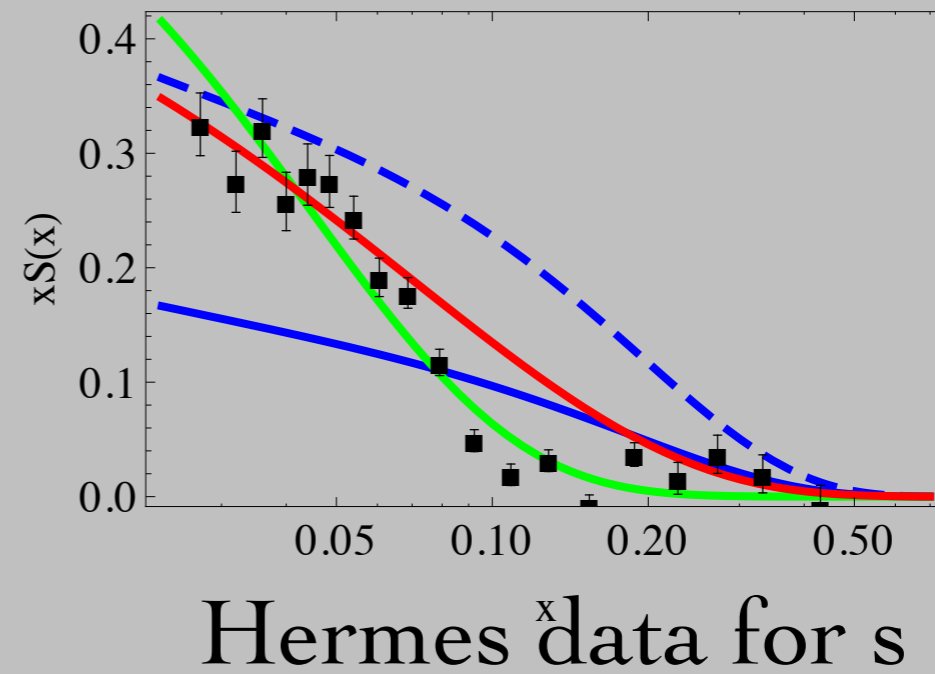
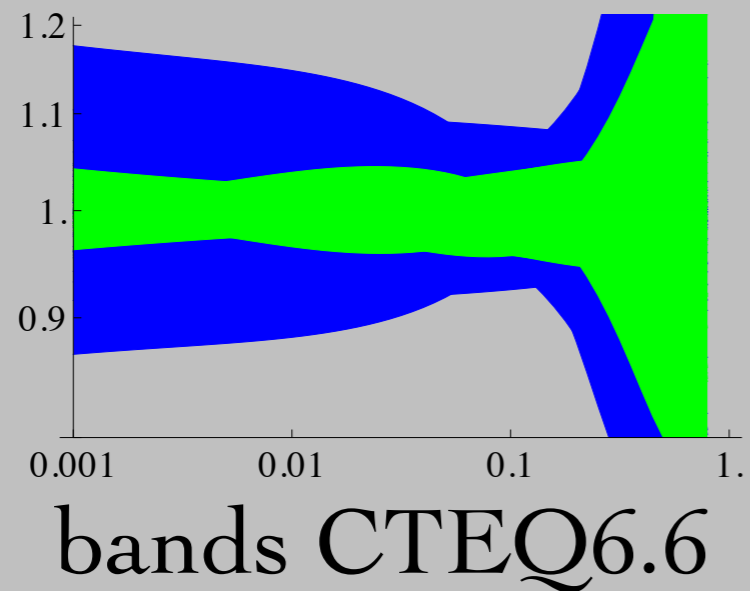
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Isospin asymmetry in the nucleon light sea:  $\bar{d}(x) \neq \bar{u}(x)$



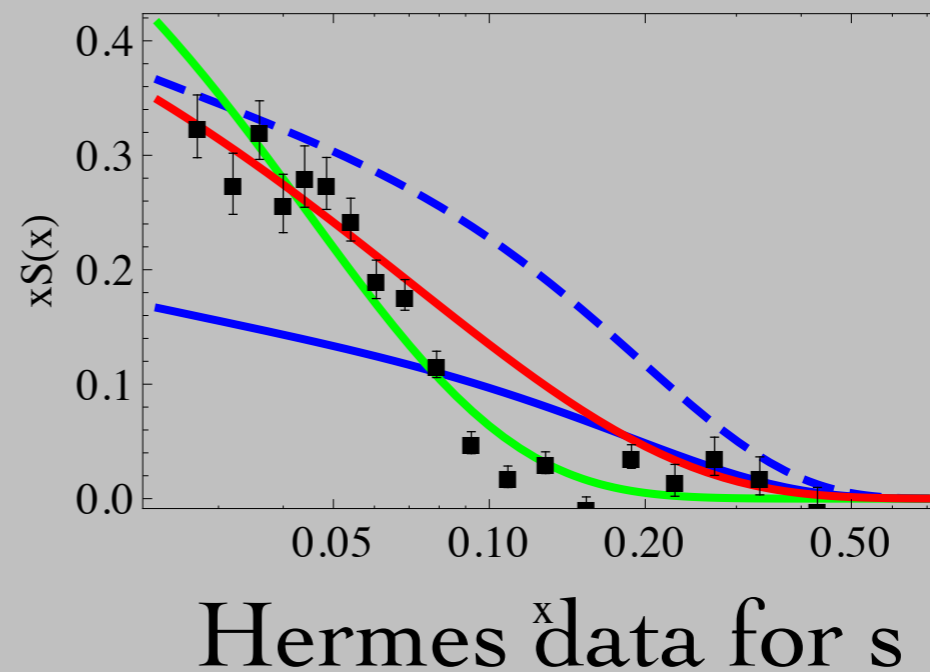
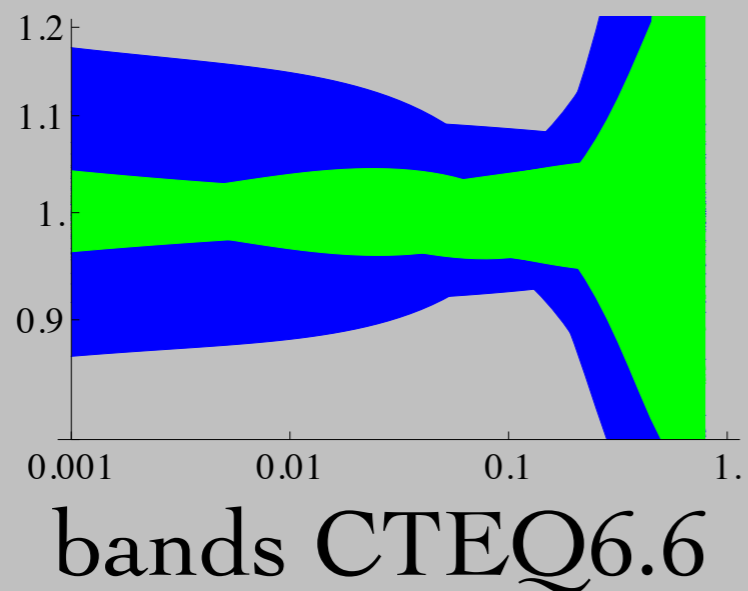
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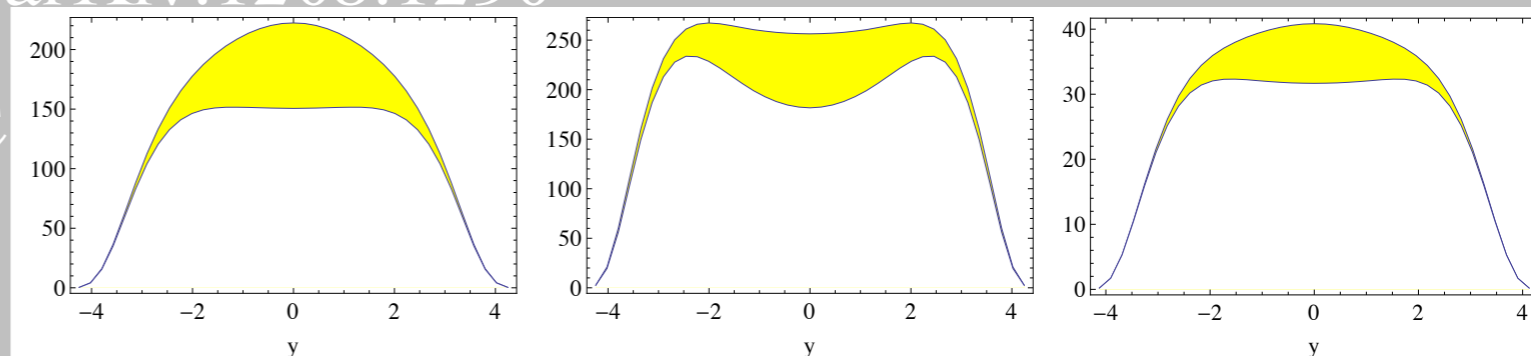
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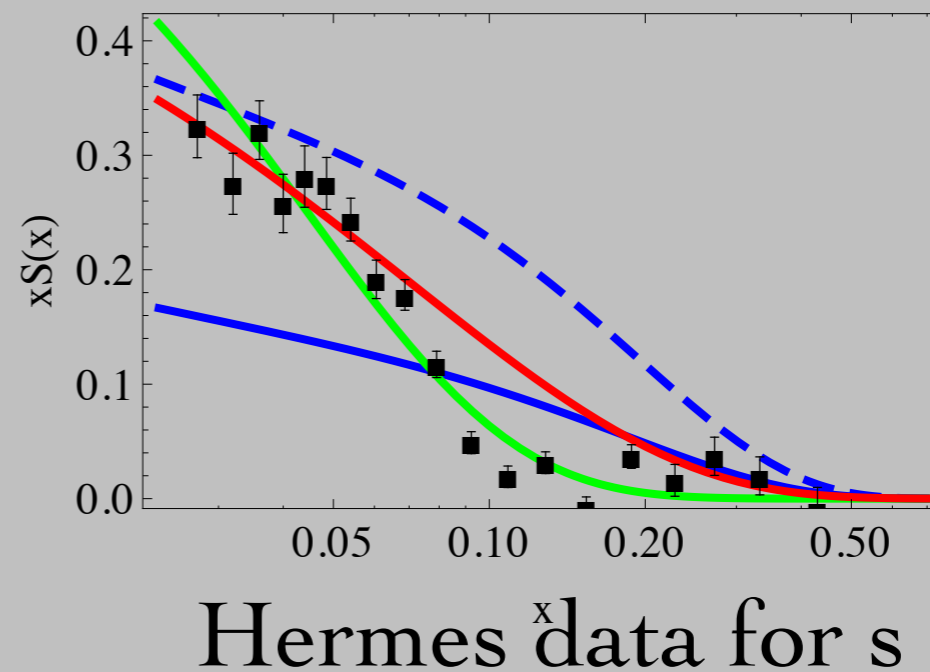
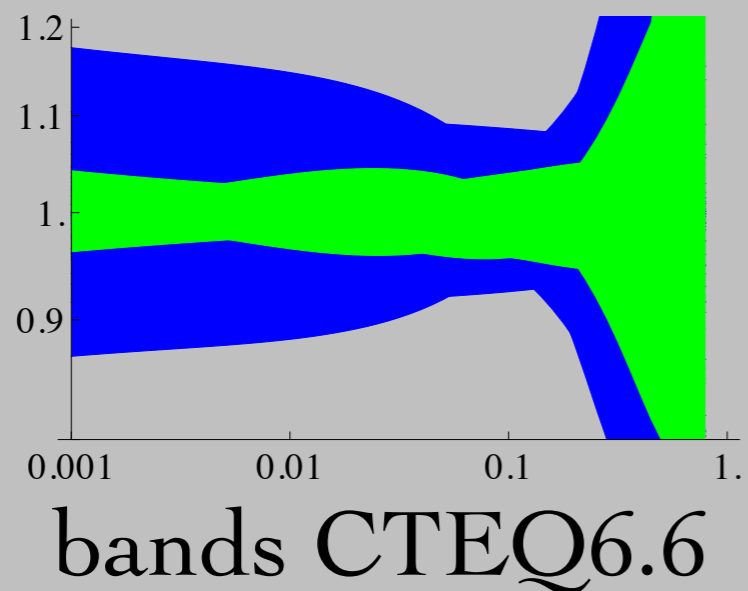
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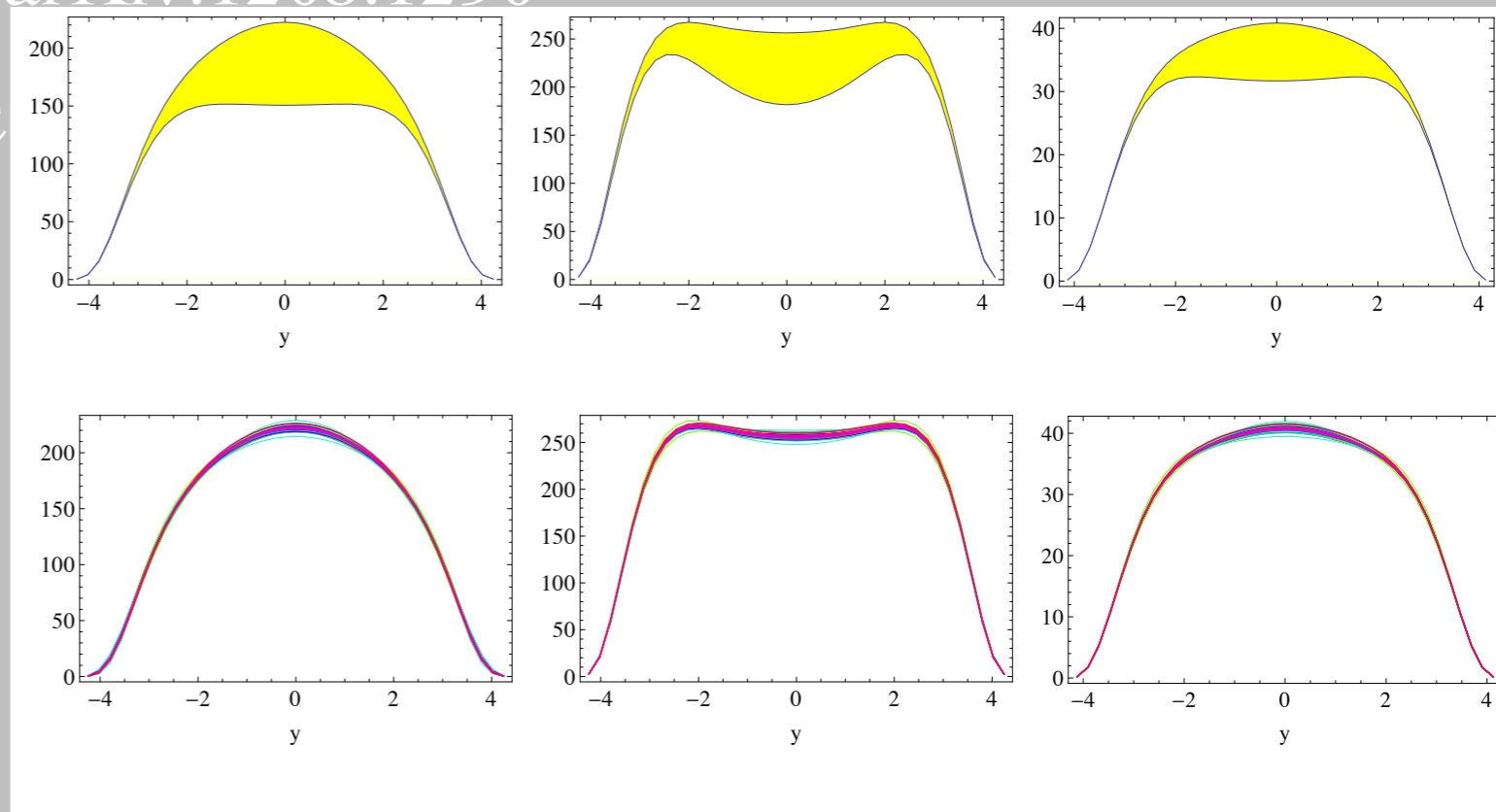
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strange PDF uncertainty dominant uncertainty to W cross-section

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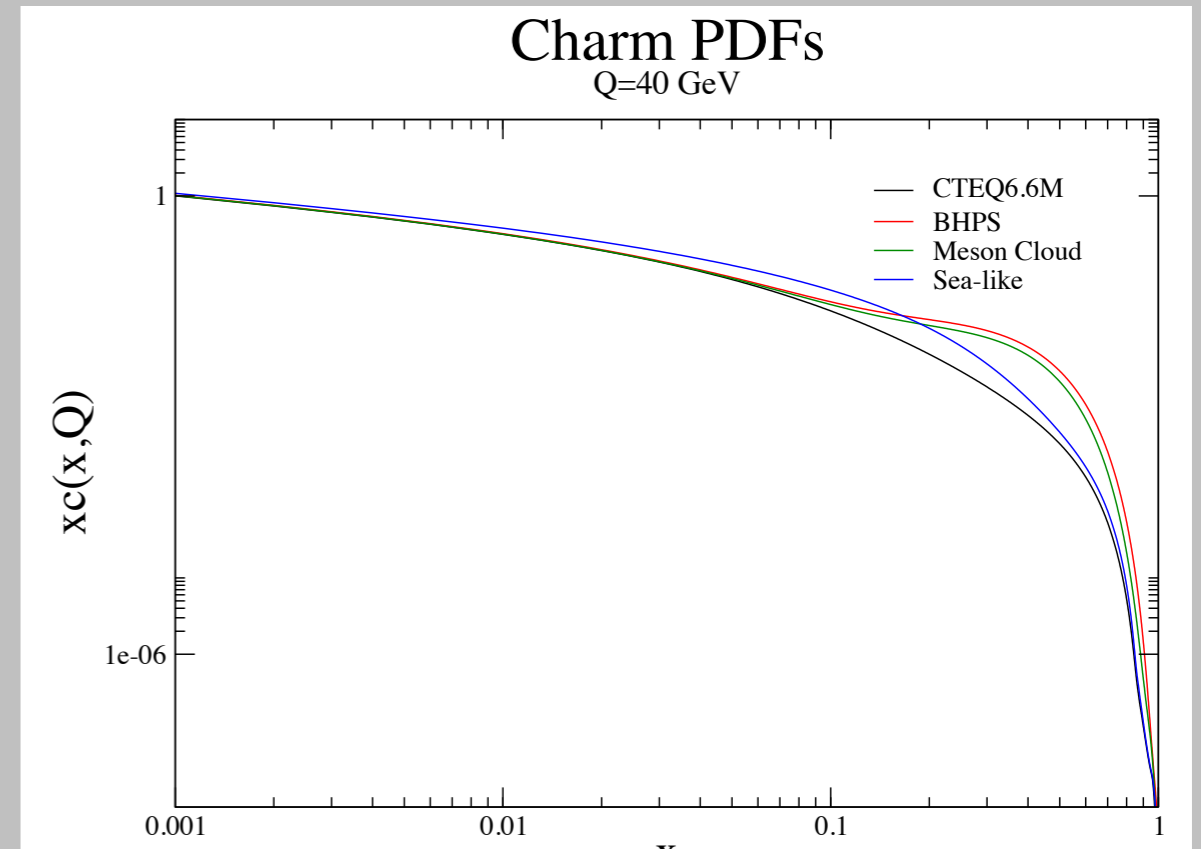


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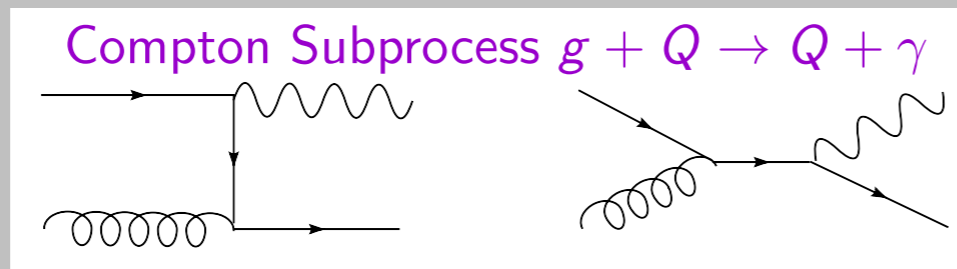
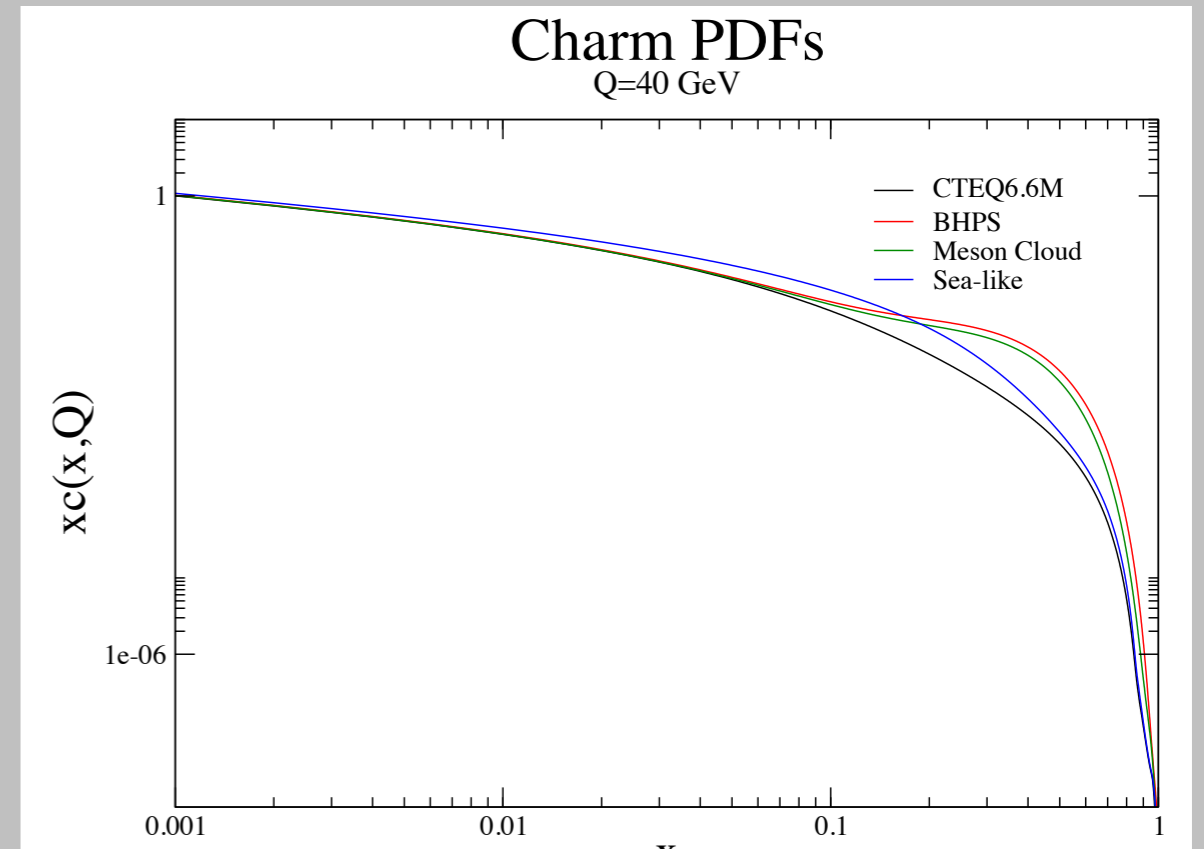
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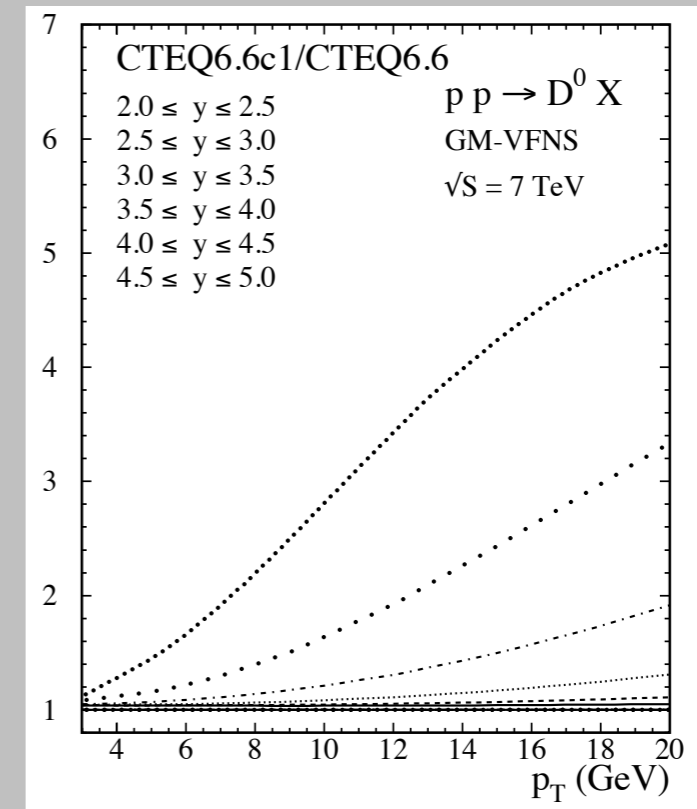
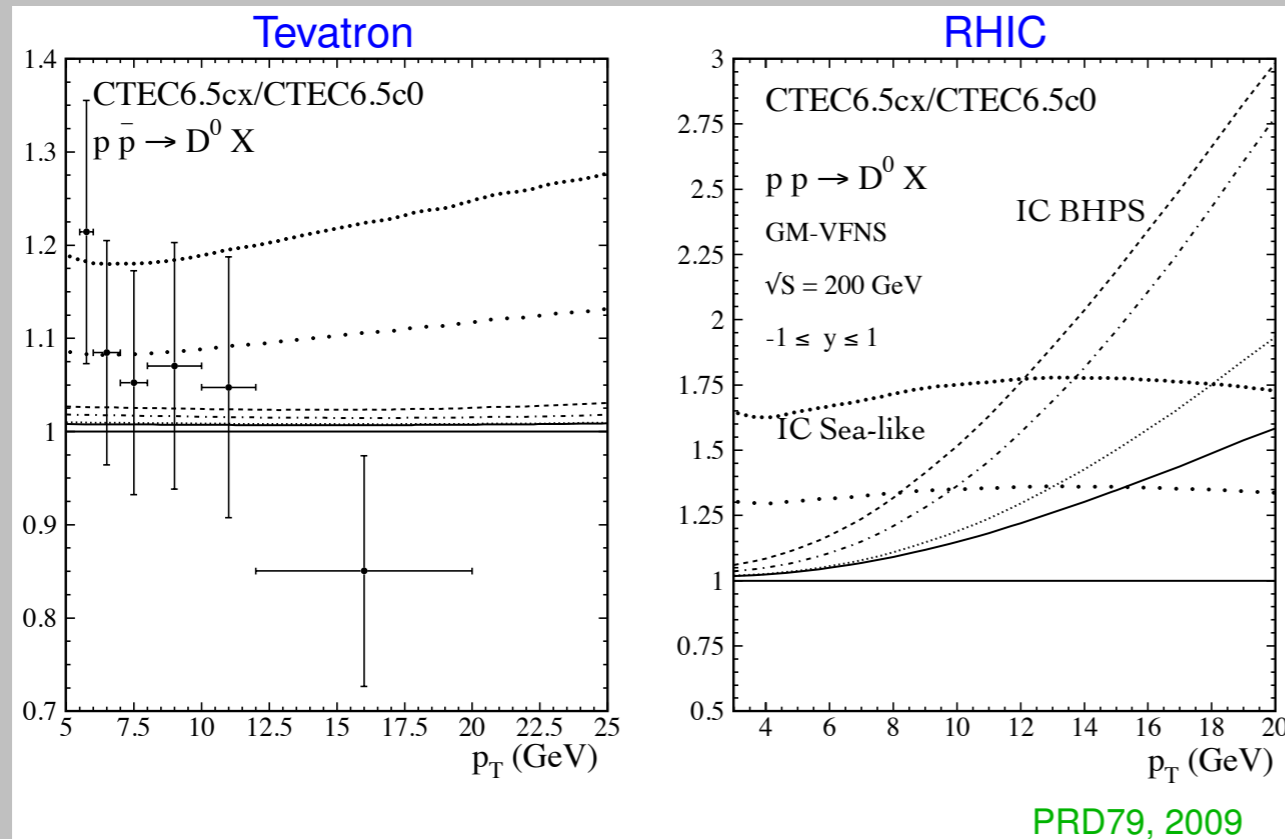
$$\begin{aligned} g + g &\rightarrow Q + \bar{Q} + \gamma \\ g + Q &\rightarrow g + Q + \gamma \\ Q + q &\rightarrow q + Q + \gamma \\ Q + \bar{q} &\rightarrow Q + \bar{q} + \gamma \end{aligned}$$

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LHCb



LHCb measurements extremely sensitive to IC

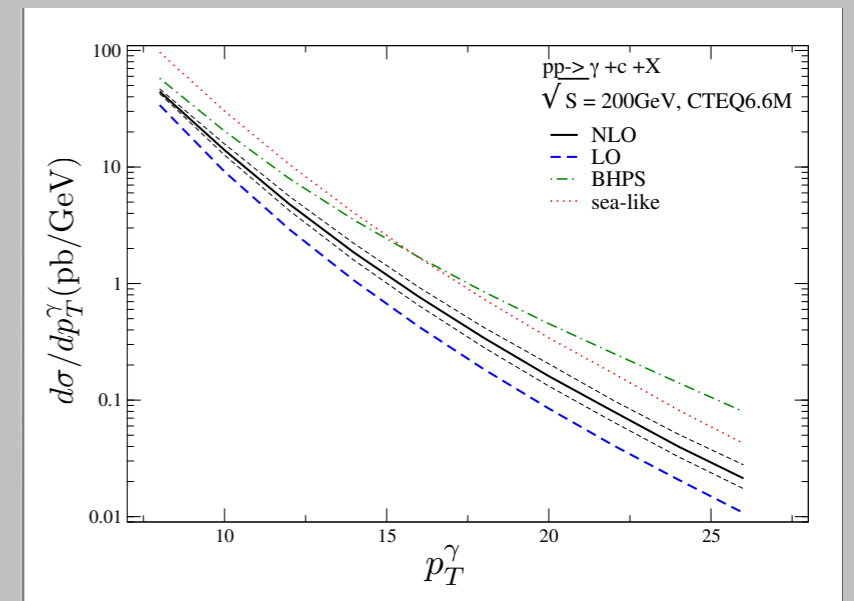
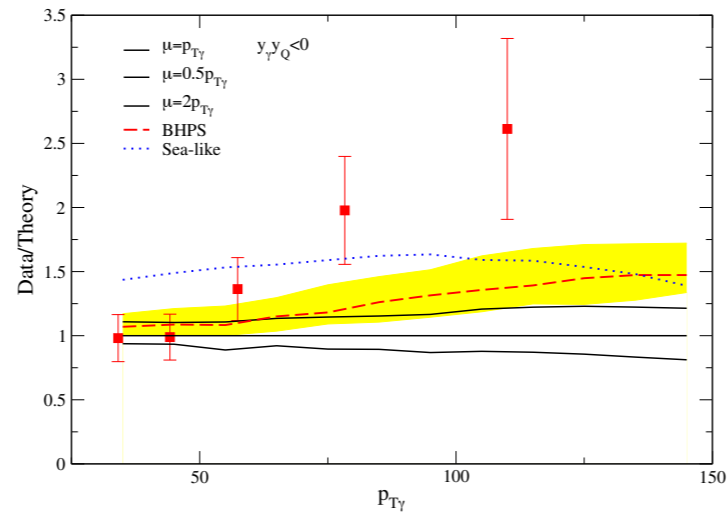
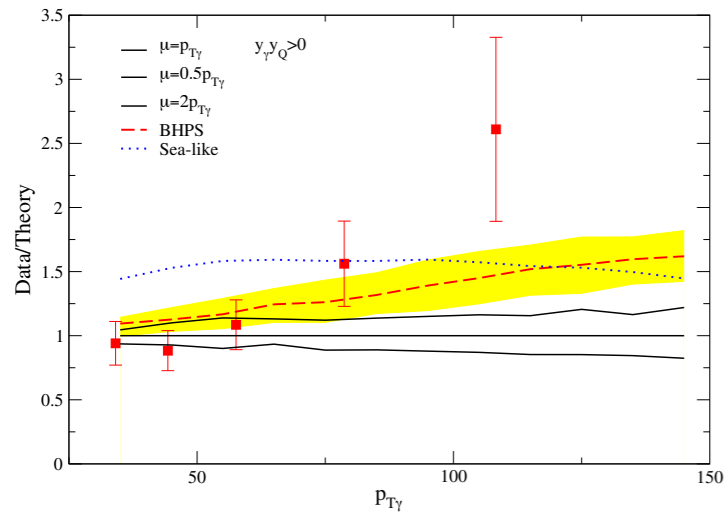
# Photon + Q Production

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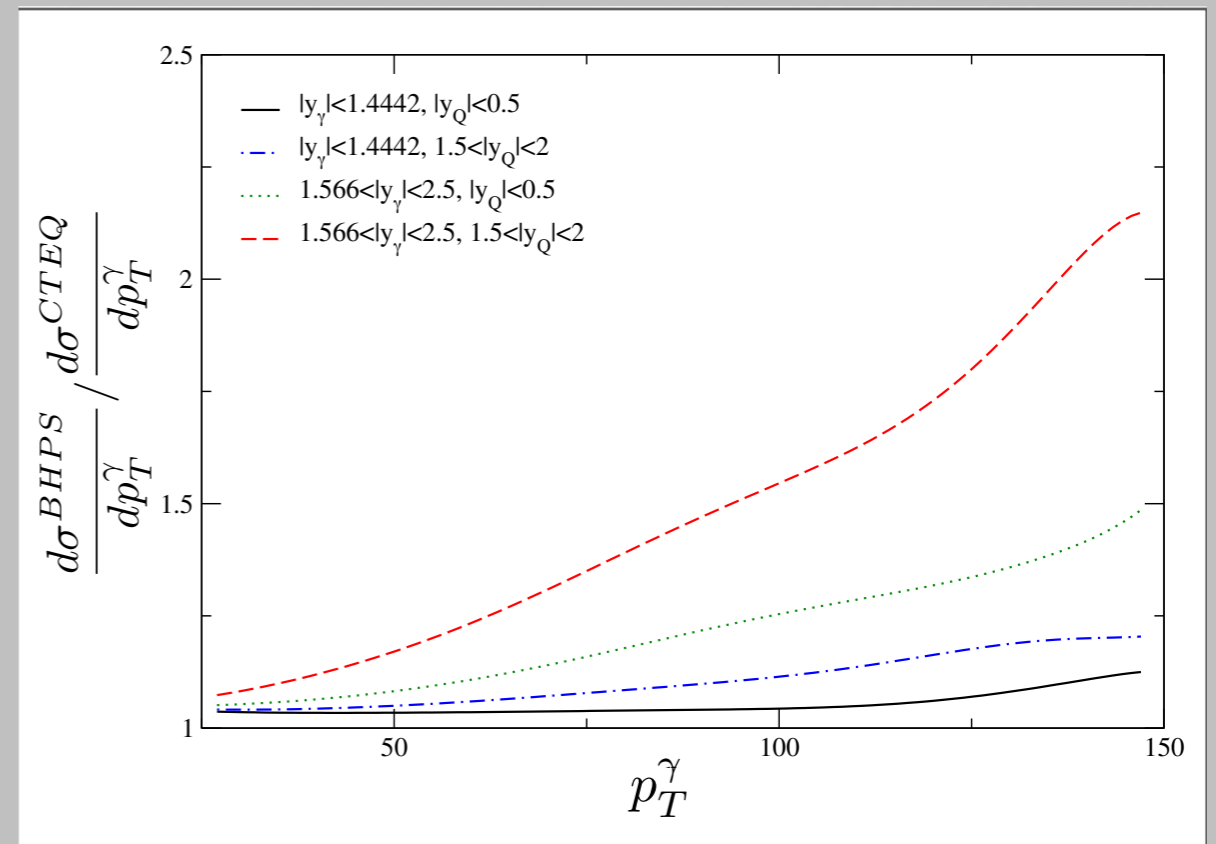
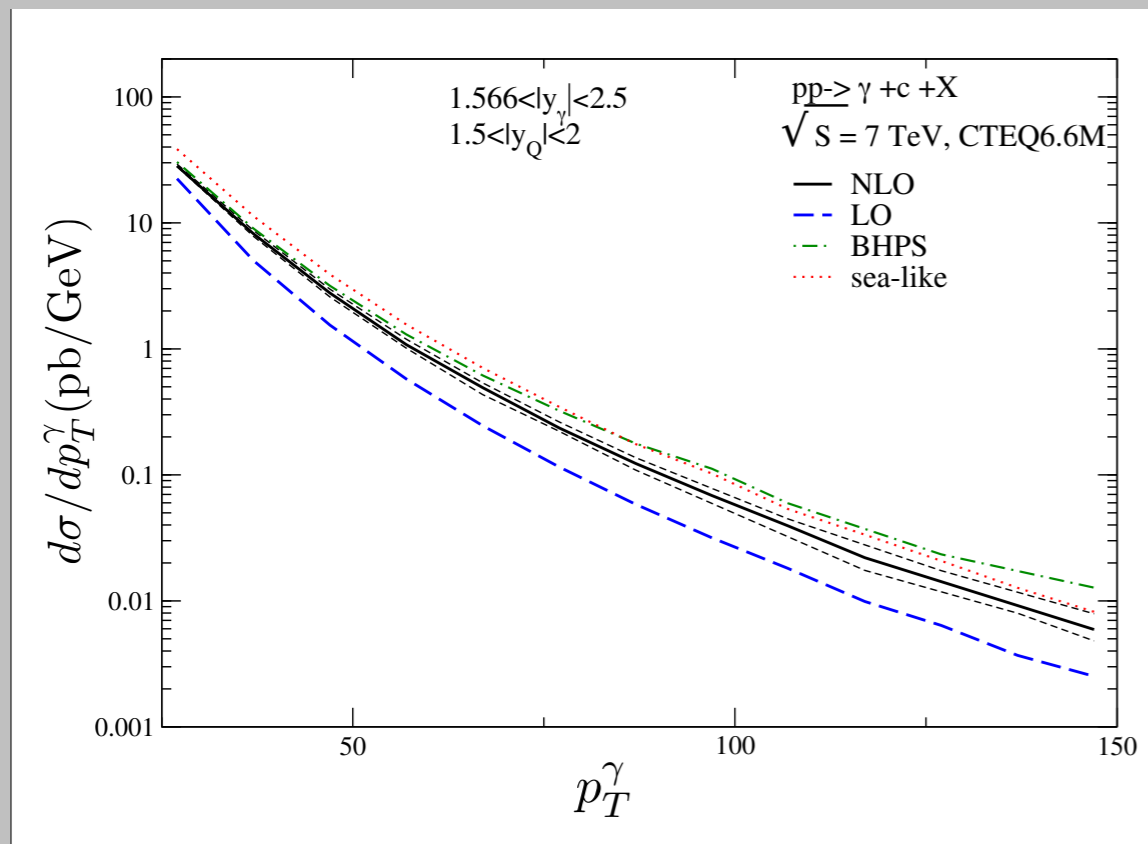
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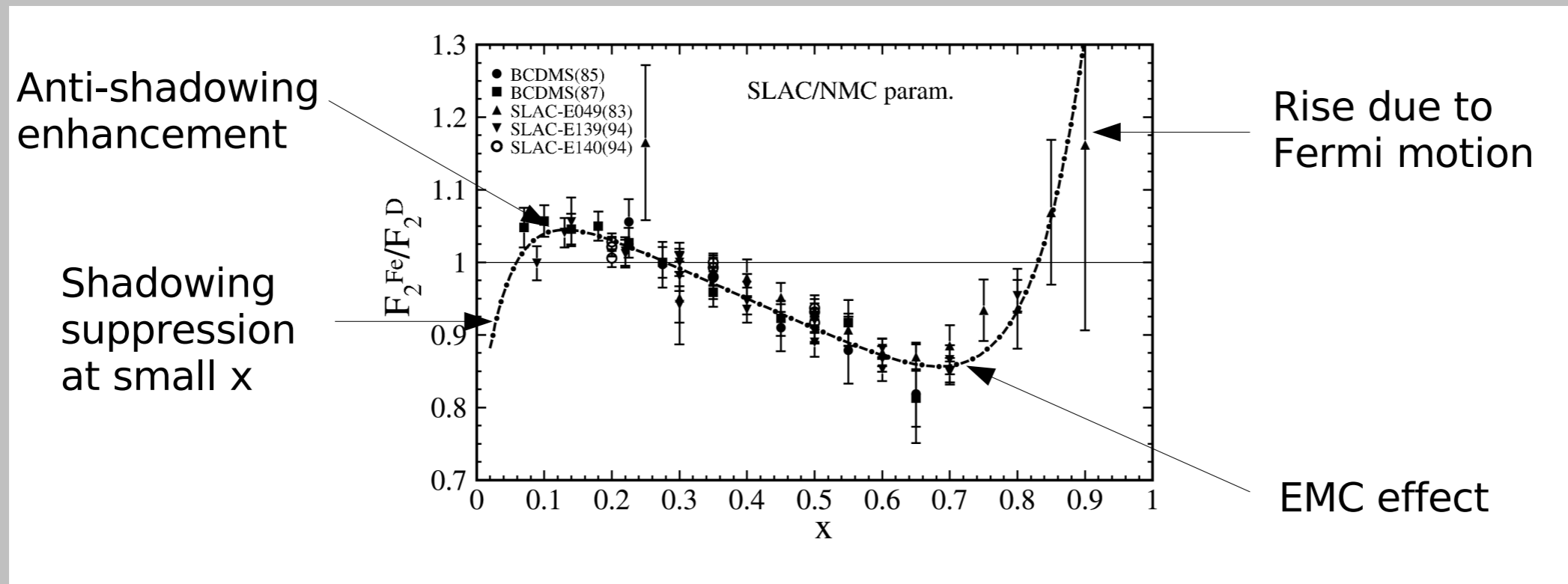
photon + charm



CMS



# nuclear PDFs



- ♦ Needed in ion collisions and for global fits of proton PDFs
- ♦ Can constrain them with various processes sensitive to  $g$  in pA collisions, end of 2012 at LHC
- ♦ Cannot be obtained from free PDFs

# nuclear PDFs

Different nPDF groups, different analysis

Functional Form

Data

- Convolution Relation - DS'04:

$$f_i^{p/A}(x_N, Q_0^2) = \int_{x_N}^A \frac{dy}{y} W_i(y, A, Z) f_i^p(x_N/y, Q_0^2)$$

$$W_v(y, A, Z) = A[a_v \delta(1 - \epsilon_v - y) + (1 - a_v) \delta(1 - \epsilon_{v'} - y)] + n_v (y/A)^{\alpha_v} (1 - y/A)^{\beta_v} + n_s (y/A)^{\alpha_s} (1 - y/A)^{\beta_s}$$

- Multiplicative Factor - EPS'09, HKN'07:

$$f_i^{p/A}(x_N, Q_0^2) = R_i(x_N, Q_0, A, Z) f_i^p(x_N, Q_0^2)$$

$$R_i^{HKN}(x, A, Z) = 1 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{A^\alpha}\right) \frac{a_i + b_i x + c_i x^2 + d_i x^3}{(1-x)^{\beta_i}} \quad (i = u_v, d_v, \bar{q}, g)$$

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

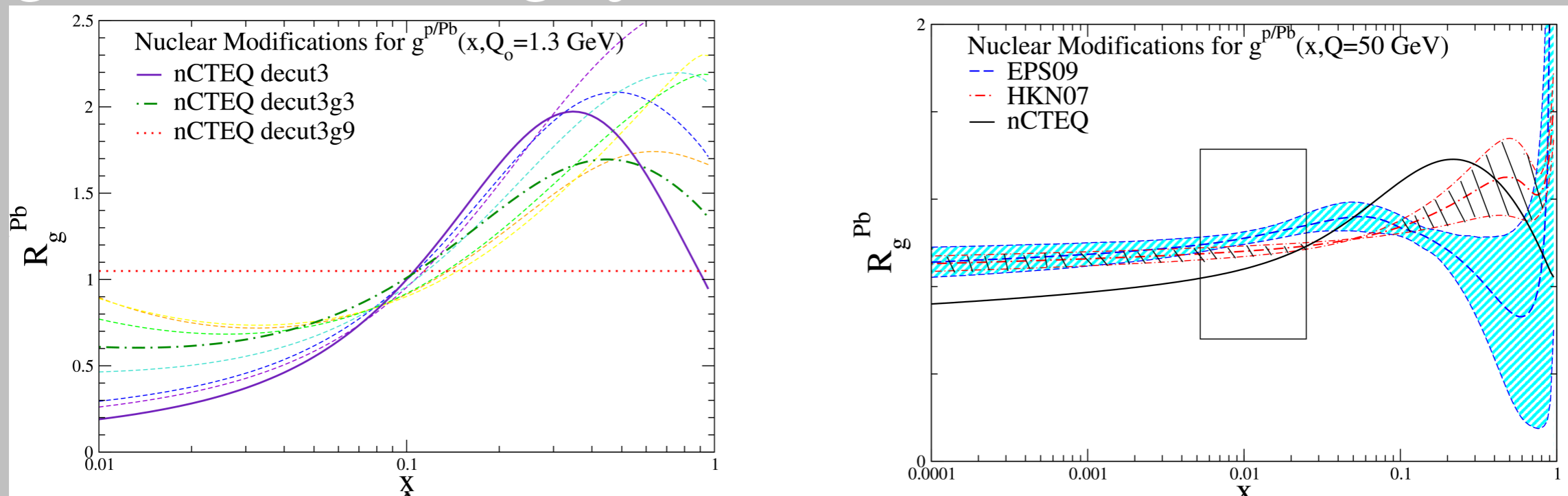
- A-Dependant Functional Form - nCTEQ:

	R	Nucleus	Experiment	EPS09	HKN07	DS04	
DIS	A/D	D/p	NMC		0		
		4He	SLAC E139	0	0	0	
			NMC95	0 (5)	0	0	
		Li	NMC95	0	0		
		Be	SLAC E139	0	0	0	
			C	EMC-88, 90		0	
				NMC 95	0	0	0
				SLAC E139	0	0	0
		FNAL-E665		0			
		N	BCDMS 85		0		
			HERMES 03		0		
		Al	SLAC E49		0		
			SLAC E139	0	0	0	
		Ca	EMC 90		0		
			NMC 95	0	0	0	
			SLAC E139	0	0	0	
			FNAL-E665		0		
		Fe	SLAC E87		0		
			SLAC E139	0 (15)	0	0	
			SLAC E140		0		
	BCDMS 87			0			
	Cu	EMC 93	0	0			
	Kr	HERMES 03		0			
	Ag	SLAC E139	0	0	0		
	Sn	EMC 88		0			
	Au	SLAC E139	0	0	0		
		SLAC E140		0			
	Pb	FNAL-E665		0			
A/C	Be	NMC 96	0	0	0		
	Al	NMC 96	0	0	0		
	Ca	NMC 95		0			
		NMC 96	0	0	0		
	Fe	NMC 96	0	0	0		
	Sn	NMC 96	0 (10)	0	0		
Pb	NMC 96	0	0	0			
A/Li	C	NMC 95	0	0			
	Ca	NMC 95	0	0			
DY	A/D	C		0	0	0	
		Ca	FNAL-E772	0 (15)	0	0	
		Fe		0 (15)	0	0	
		W		0 (10)	0	0	
	A/Be	Fe	FNAL E866	0	0		
		W		0	0		
$\pi$ pro	dA/DP	Au	RHIC-PHENIX	0 (20)			

# gluon nPDF

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## gluon nPDF largely unconstrained

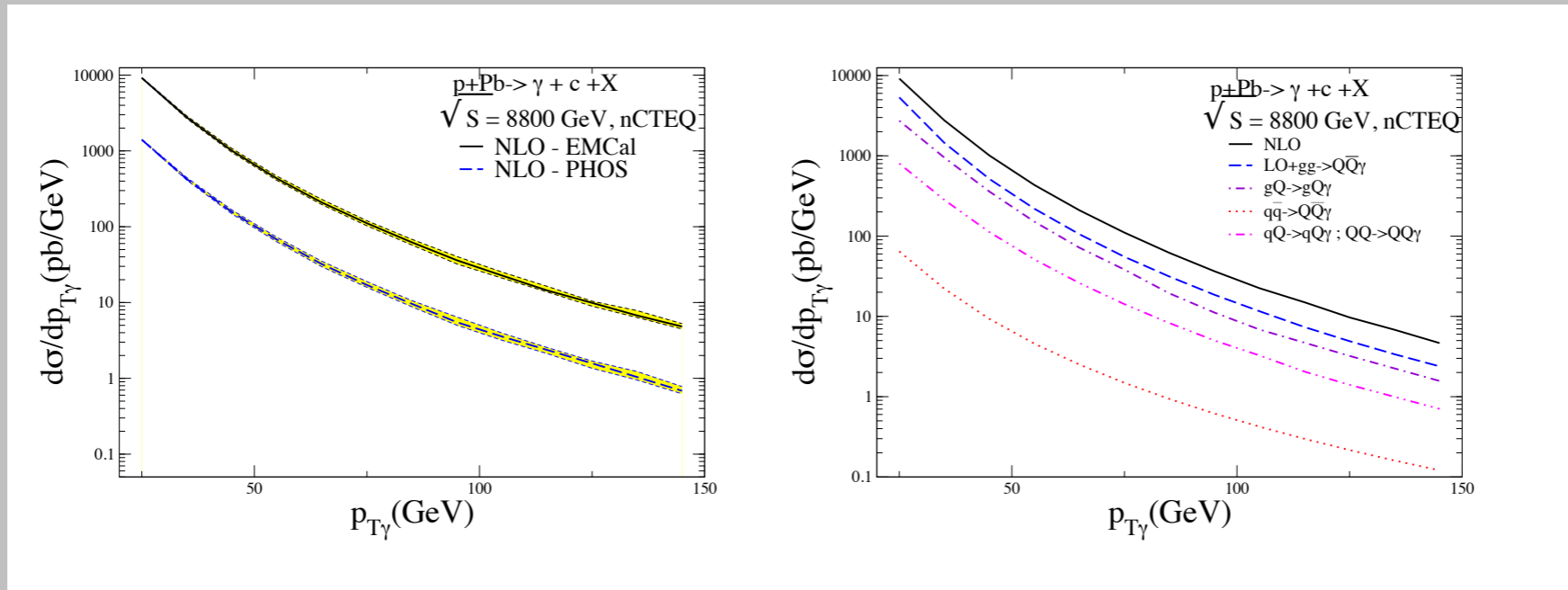


## Processes helpful for constraining g nPDF

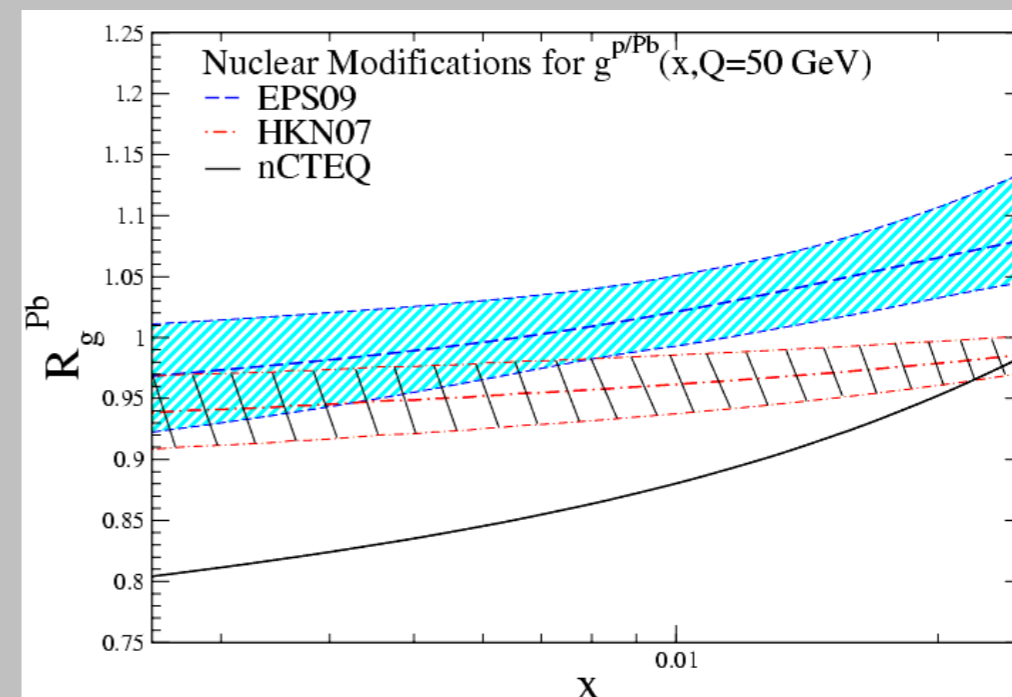
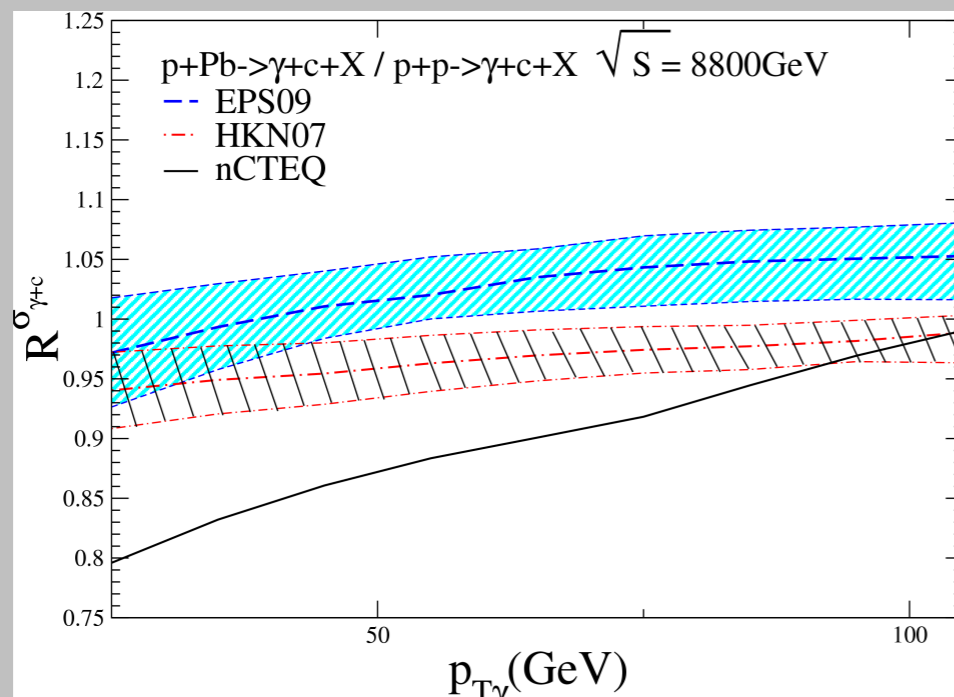
- Inclusive jet data (like Tevatron for free gluon)
- Inclusive hadron production
- Heavy quark ; Quarkonium production
- Isolated direct photons
- Direct Photons + jet
- **Direct Photon + Heavy Quark Jet**

# gluon nPDF

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$$R_{pA}^{\gamma Q} = \frac{\sigma(pA \rightarrow \gamma Q X)}{A \sigma(pp \rightarrow \gamma Q X)}$$



The cross-section ratio follows the gluon ratio

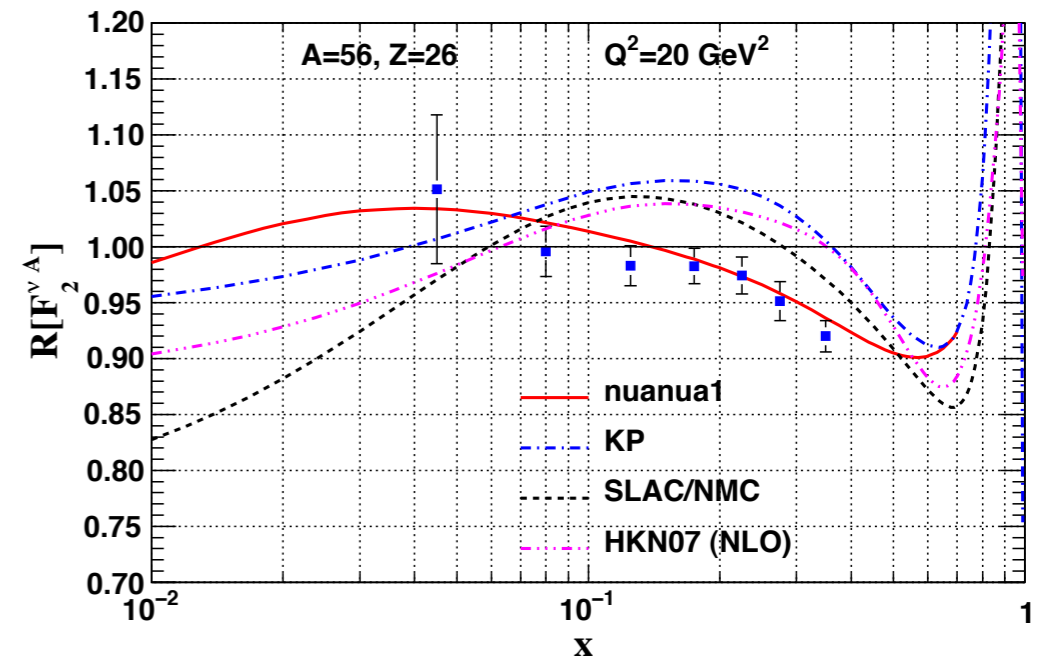
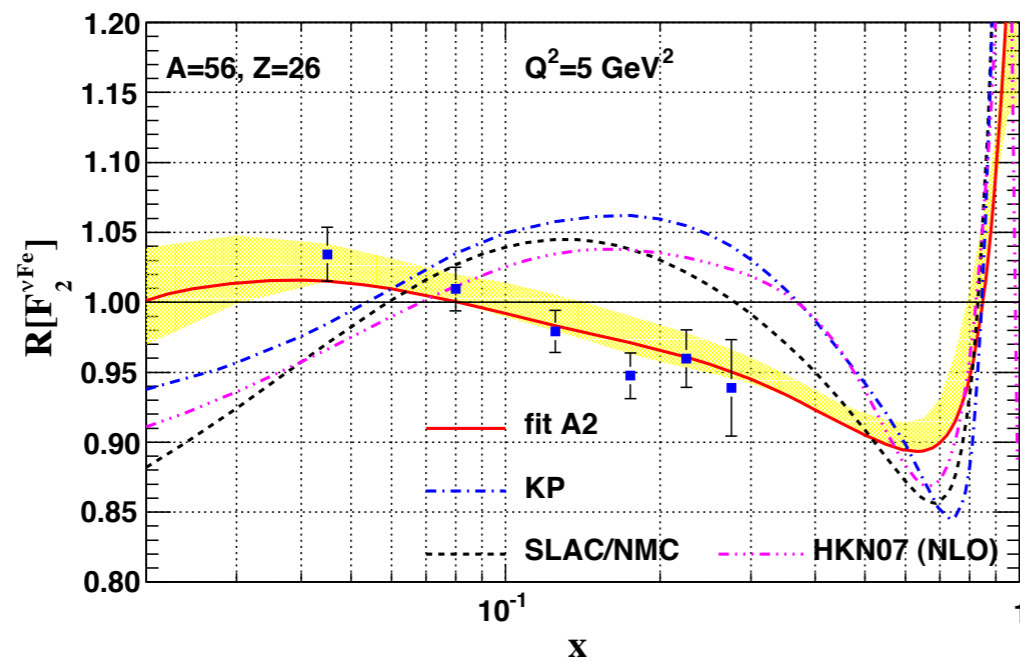


# Conclusions

- ♦ PDFs an indispensable part of hadronic cross-section calculations
- ♦ Universal -> obtained through global analysis
- ♦ Reduced PDF error -> controlled SM background for BSM searches
- ♦ Focus on strange quark PDF and Intrinsic Charm existence
- ♦ nPDFs -> need to have own global analysis
- ♦ gluon nPDF -> constrain through  $\gamma+Q$  in our case

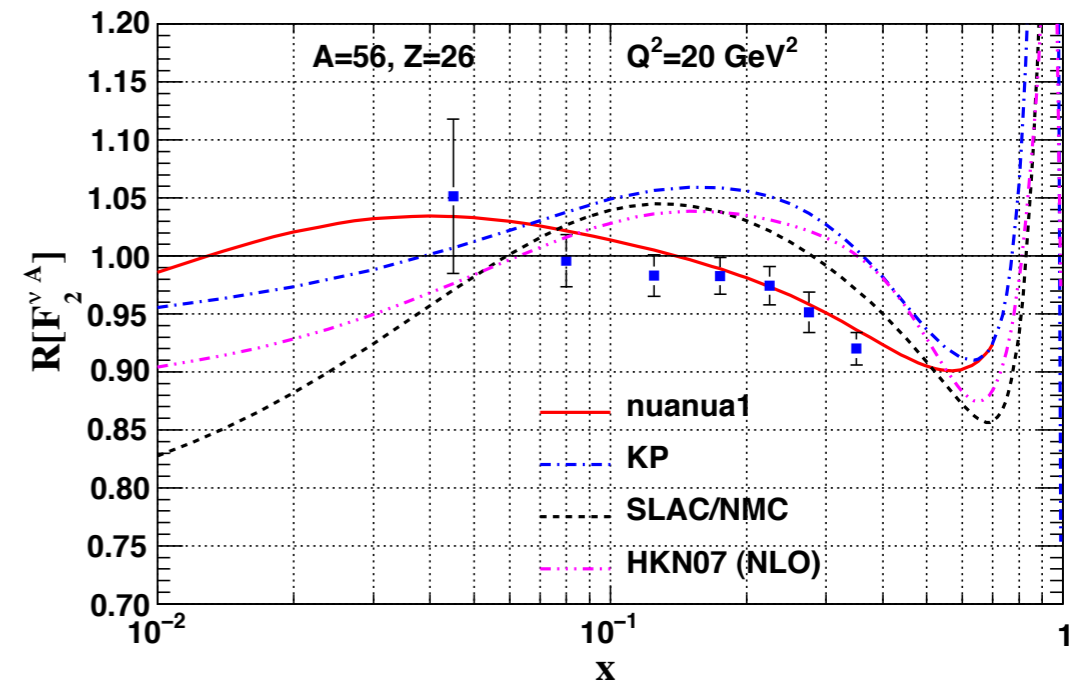
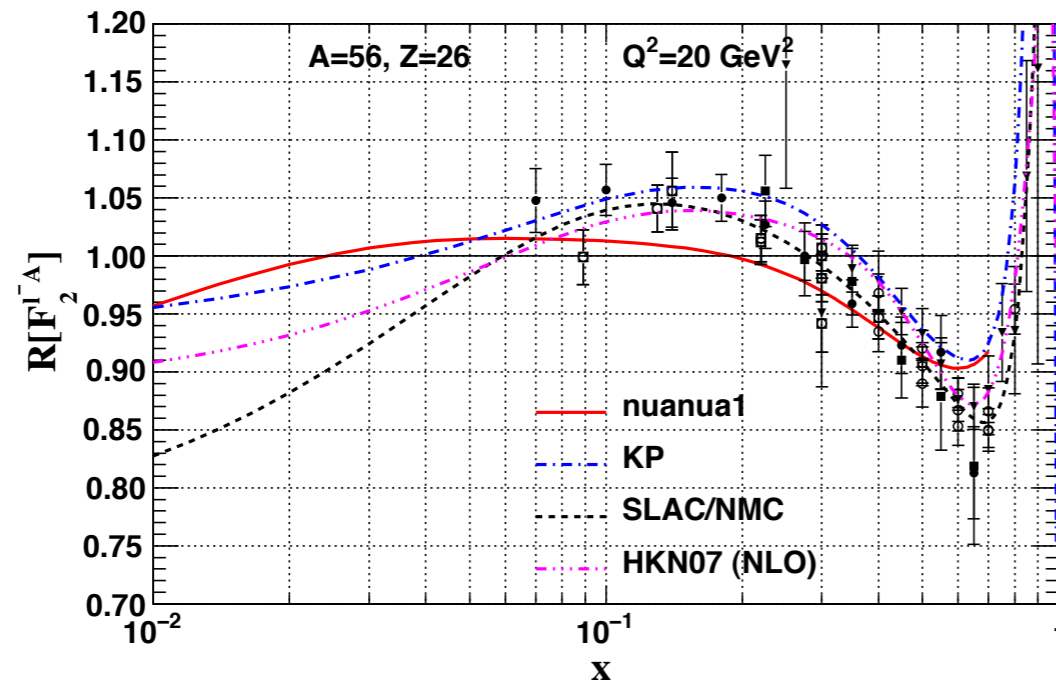
neutrino DIS fits

ID	$d\sigma^{\nu A}/dx dy :$ Observable	Experiment	# data
33	Pb	CHORUS $\nu$	607 (412)
34	Pb	CHORUS $\bar{\nu}$	607 (412)
35	Fe	NuTeV $\nu$	1423 (1170)
36	Fe	NuTeV $\bar{\nu}$	1195 (966)
37	Fe	CCFR $\nu$ di-muon	44 (44)
38	Fe	NuTeV $\nu$ di-muon	44 (44)
39	Fe	CCFR $\bar{\nu}$ di-muon	44 (44)
40	Fe	NuTeV $\bar{\nu}$ di-muon	42 (42)
	<b>Total:</b>		4006 (3134)

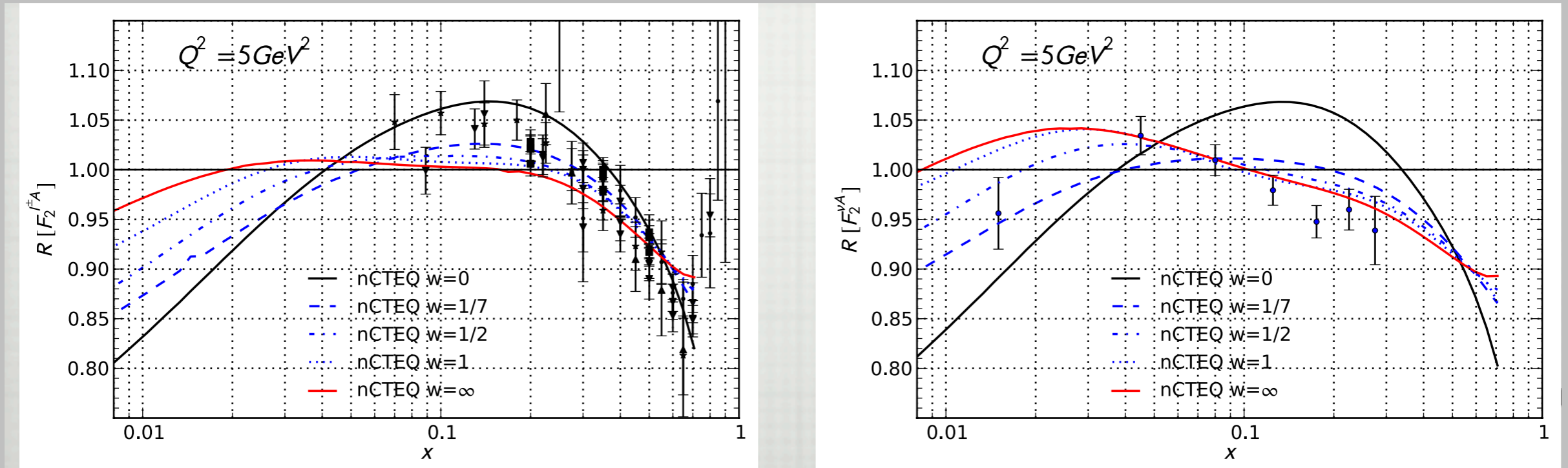


- Left: Fit to only  $\nu Fe$  data ([arXiv:0710.4897](https://arxiv.org/abs/0710.4897))
- Right: New fit to all  $\nu A$  data in A-dependent nPDF framework ([arXiv:0907.2357](https://arxiv.org/abs/0907.2357))
- These fits describe  $R[F_2^{\nu A}]$  very well

# Are there inconsistencies between $\nu A$ and $I^\pm A$ ?



- The neutrino fit does not describe the DY and  $I^\pm A$  data
- Can a global fit combining the two data sets help?
- DY,  $I^\pm A$  (708 data points) with  $\nu A$  (3134 data points)
- Use different weights to make up for data imbalance



- No single compromise fit between charged lepton and neutrino data [[PRL106\(2011\)122301](#)]
- Different nuclear correction factors preferred
- Implications for free and bound PDFs extraction
- Further experimental measurements and theoretical study needed to explain this behavior