

CJ PDF updates and perspectives

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Overview

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 - Interplay of HT and off-shell corrections
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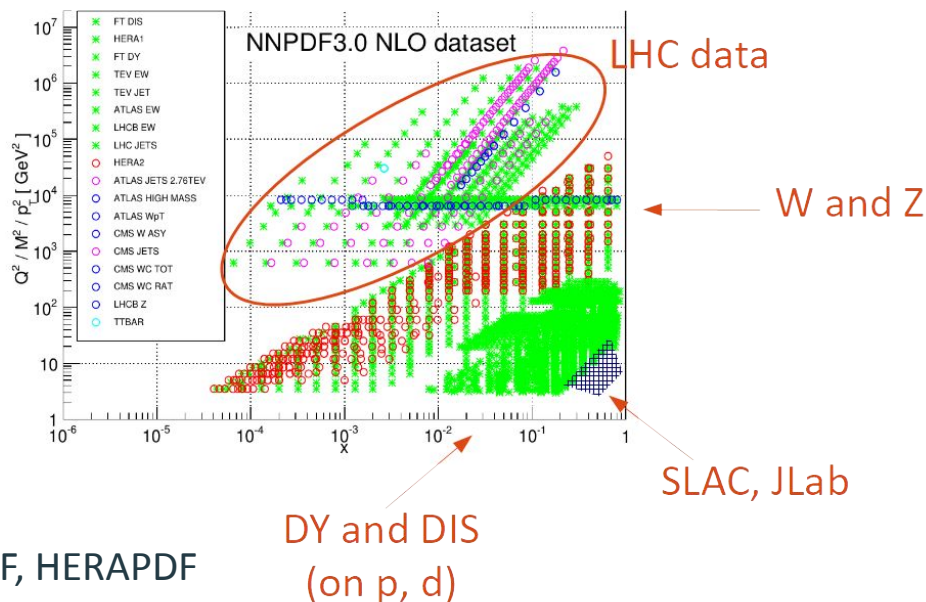
Global QCD fits

- pQCD factorization & universality: can fit PDFs to a variety of hard scattering data
 - Hadron-hadron collisions
 - Jets
 - Electro-weak boson production
 - Electron-proton DIS
 - Electron-Deuteron DIS
- >1000 data points
- 40+ years of experience,
 - “High-energy” fitters:
 - CTEQ-TEA, MMHT, NNPDF, HERAPDF
 - Lower-energy / nuclear focus:
 - **CTEQ-JLab, AKP, ABMP, JAM**

$$d\sigma_{\text{hadron}} = \sum_{f_1, f_2, i, j} \phi_{f_1} \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{\text{parton}}^{f_1 f_2 \rightarrow ij} \otimes \phi_{f_2}$$

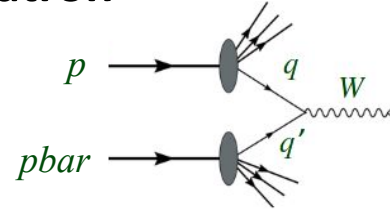
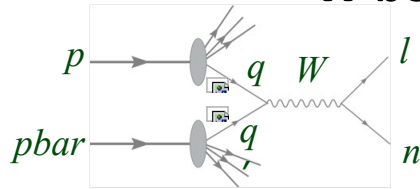
pQCD calc.

PDFs (from DIS fits)



Large-x PDFs: the valence quark triangle

W bosons @ Tevatron

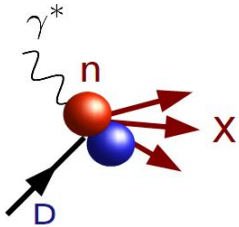


$$A_W(y) \xrightarrow{y \rightarrow y_{max}} \frac{1 - d/u}{1 + d/u}$$

d/u
+

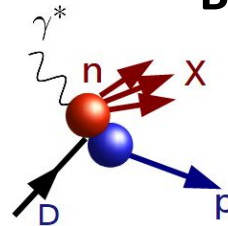
nuclear dynamics

DIS on Deuterium



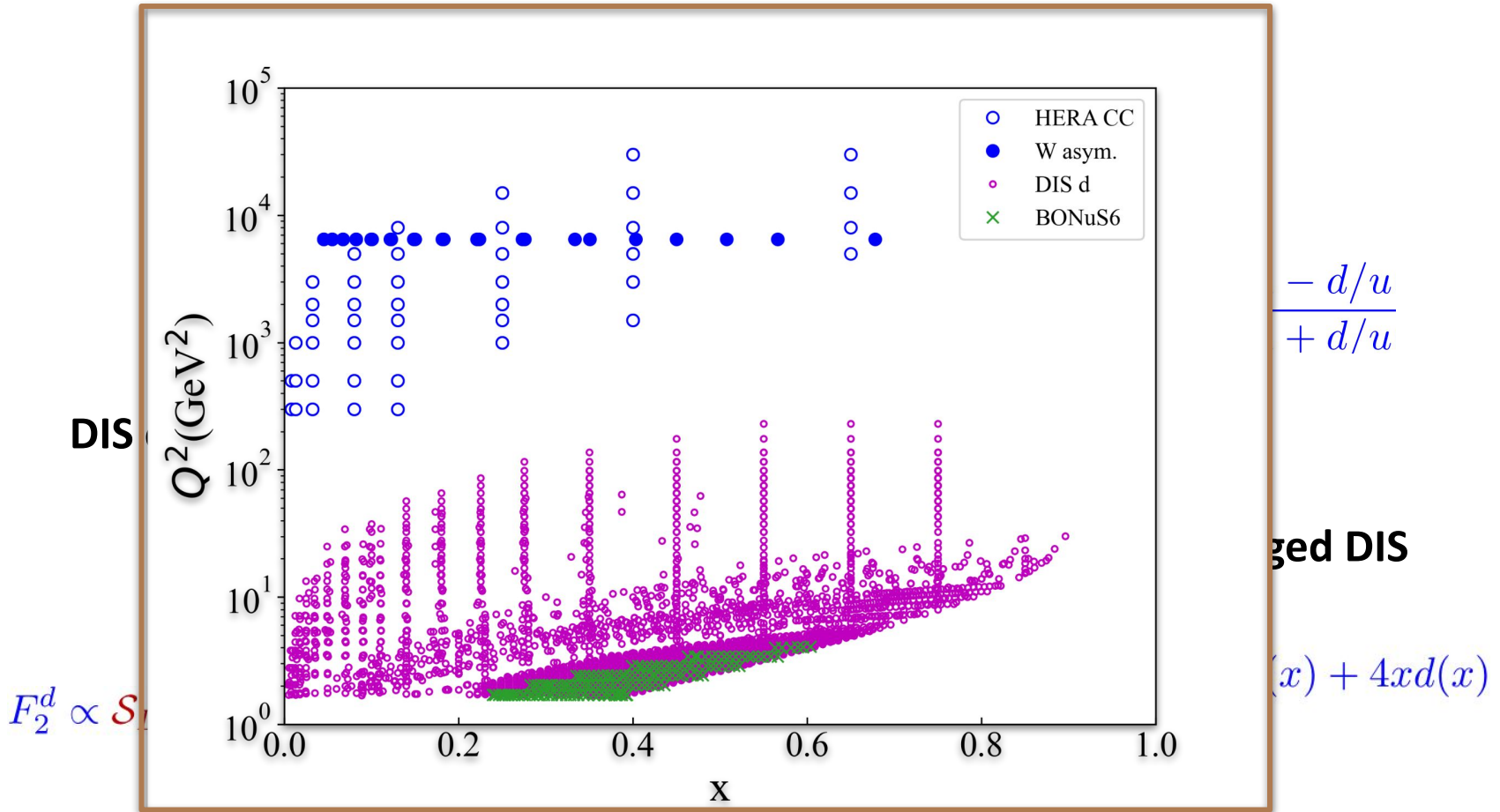
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"BoNuS" tagged DIS

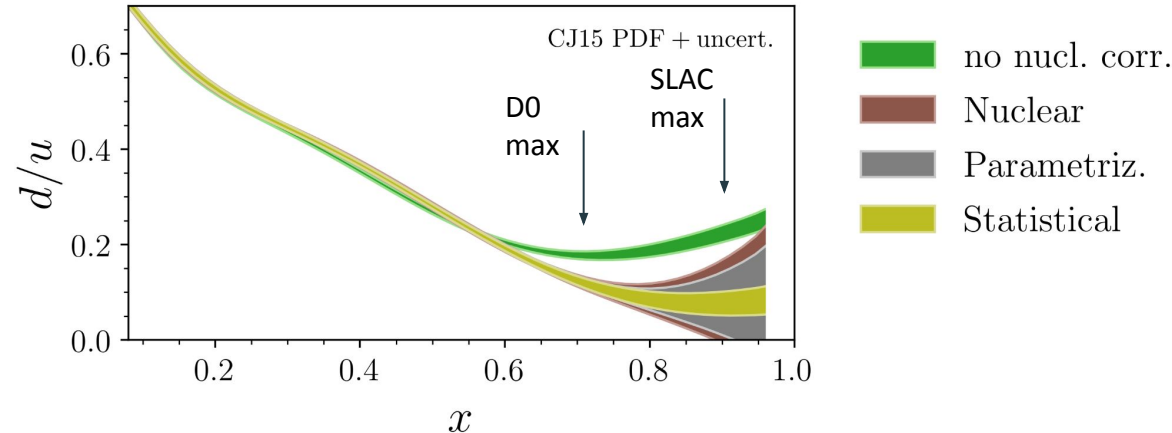


$$\frac{F_2^n}{F_2^d} \propto xu(x) + 4xd(x)$$

Large-x PDFs: the valence quark triangle



The CJ15 d/u ratio



- **Statistical uncertainties**
 - Propagated from exp. stat. errors into the PDF parameters
- **Theoretical uncertainties:** difficult to quantify, e.g.:
 - Nuclear: wave function choice
 - Off-shell uncertainties are parametrized → partly included in statistical band
 - Parametrization: d -quark flexibility in extrapolation region
- **Theoretical biases:** even less obvious!
 - Interplay of HT and offshell implementation choices

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Global fits are not created equal...

- **Uncertainty determination**

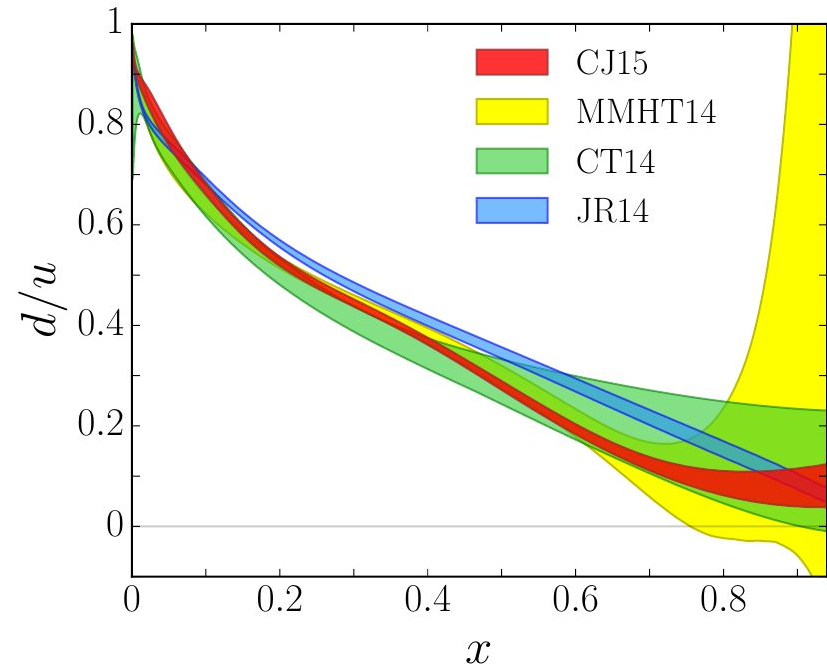
- Hessian (JR)
- Hessian + “Tolerance” (*)
 - $T \sim 10$ (CT14) → *T. Hobbs*
 - $T \sim 5-7$ (MMHT14)
 - $T = 1.646$ (CJ15)
- Data Resampling (JAM) → *N. Sato*
- DR + Cross Validation (NNPDF)

- **Parametrization**

- $x^a (1-x)^b P(x)$ – most groups
 - Extended or standard d -quark
- Neural Nets – NNPDF

- **Data choice and coverage, ...**

- No SLAC, JLab without TMC, HT corrections
- Highest x reach for d/u on proton if using reconstructed W asymmetries (vs. decay lepton asymmetries)
- ...



(*) CJ vs. CT comparison on “equal” footing:
[Accardi, Hobbs, Jing, Nadolsky, EPJC 81 \(2021\) 7](#)

On the determination of uncertainties

- **The method can effectively modify the likelihood!**

- Even with perfectly compatible (toy) data!

N. Hunt-Smith et al., 2206.10782

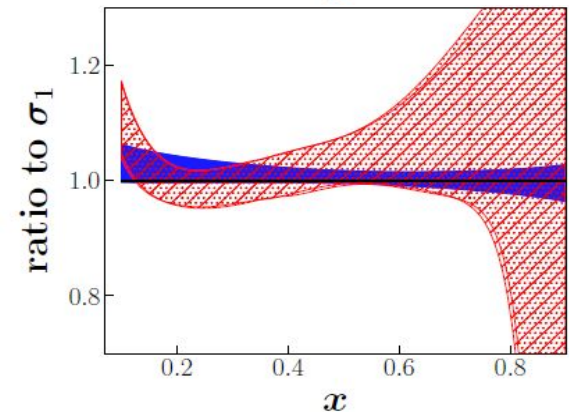
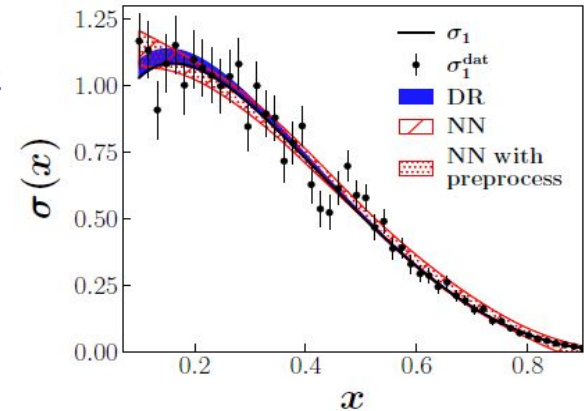
- **Bayesian Methods**

(Markov Chain MC, Nested Sampling)

- Explore the likelihood function
- Well approximated by
 - Hessian, Data Resampling (**DR**)

- **Cross Validation, NN-based fits**

- Inflate the uncertainties
- Deform the likelihood



Combining PDF fits

- PDF4LHC

- Statistically combines different fits (\rightarrow *T. Cridge*)
- But their likelihoods differ
 - \rightarrow What's the statistical meaning of the combination?

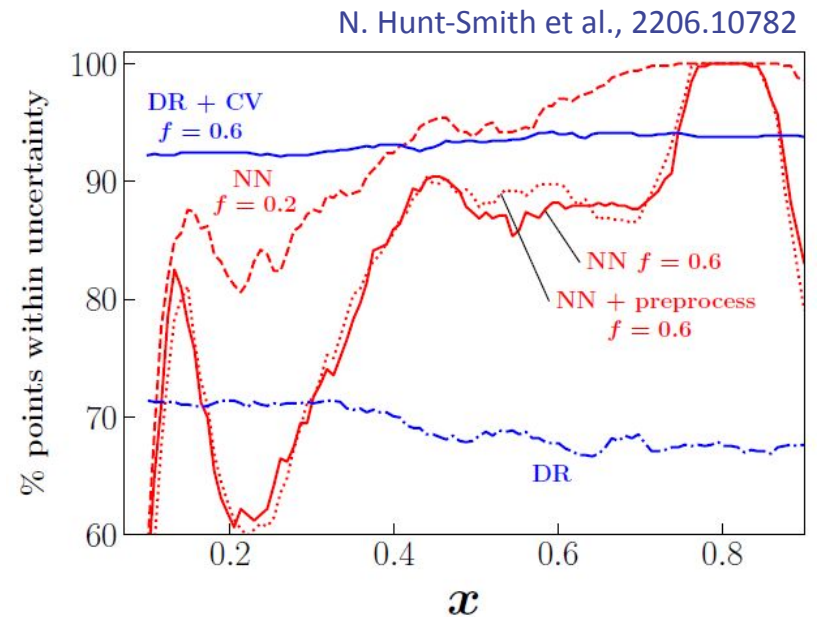
- CT, MMHT

- \rightarrow Hessian + (different) tolerances

- NNPDF

- \rightarrow DR + Cross Validation + NN parametrization

- How should we interpret the resulting PDF4LHC error band?



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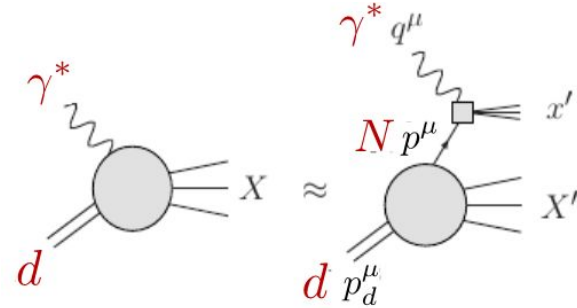
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Deuteron 1: Fermi motion and binding

- **Weak binding approximation:**
 - Incoherent scattering from not too fast individual nucleons
 - Neglects FSI



$$F_{2d}(x, Q^2) = \int \frac{dz}{z} dp_T^2 \mathcal{K}(z, p^2, \gamma) |\psi_{N/d}(|\vec{p}|)|^2 F_{2N}(x/z, Q^2, p^2)$$

kinematic and
"flux" factors

Nucleon wave function

structure function of
**bound, off-shell
nucleon**

$$\rightarrow z = \frac{p \cdot q}{p_d \cdot q} \approx 1 + \frac{p_0 + \gamma p_z}{M} \left[p_0 = M + \varepsilon, \varepsilon = \varepsilon_d - \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2M} \right]$$

momentum fraction of d carried by N

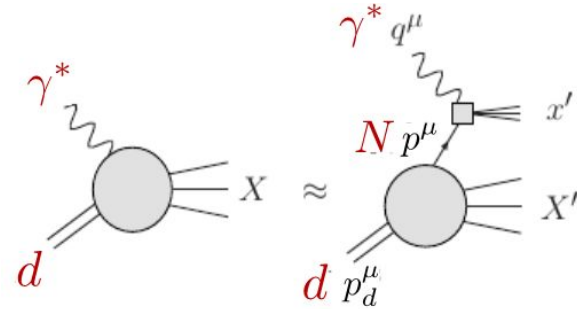
$$\rightarrow \text{at finite } Q^2, \gamma = \sqrt{1 + 4x^2 p^2 / Q^2}$$

quantifies how far the nucleon is from the light cone ($\gamma = 1$)

Off-shell corrections in Deuteron

- **Nucleons are bound in the deuteron:**

- $p^2 < M^2$
- Structure functions are deformed (but not too much if x not too large)



- **Offshell expansion:**

- Expand PDFs in nucleon's virtuality $q_N(x, Q^2, p^2) = q_N^{\text{free}}(x, Q^2) \left[1 + \frac{p^2 - M^2}{M^2} \delta f_q^N(x) \right]$
- With flavor-independent δf

$$F_{2N}(x, Q^2, p^2) = F_{2N}^{\text{free}}(x, Q^2) \left[1 + \frac{p^2 - M^2}{M^2} \delta f(x) \right]$$

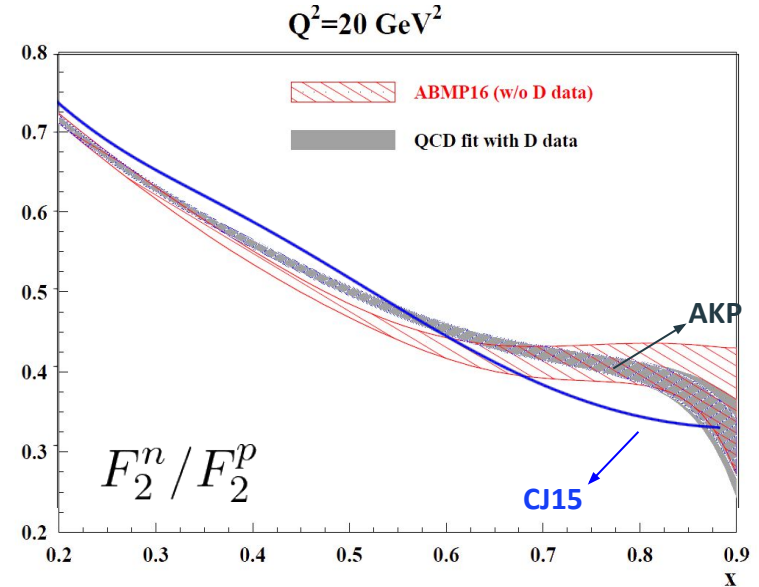
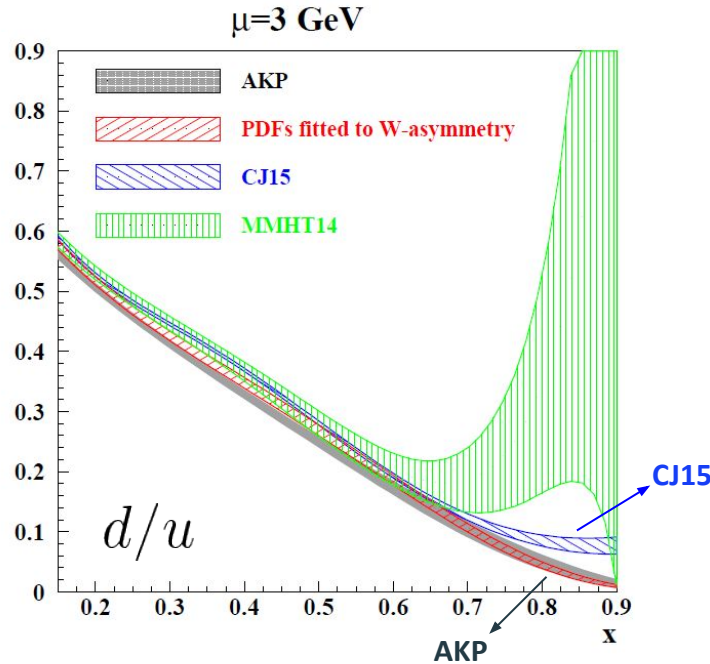
Free proton, neutron
structure function

“offshell function”

- Parametrized and fitted (see the earlier triangle)
→ **CJ15, AKP, JAM**

When fitted, this effectively becomes a phenomenological “catch-all” term (see later)

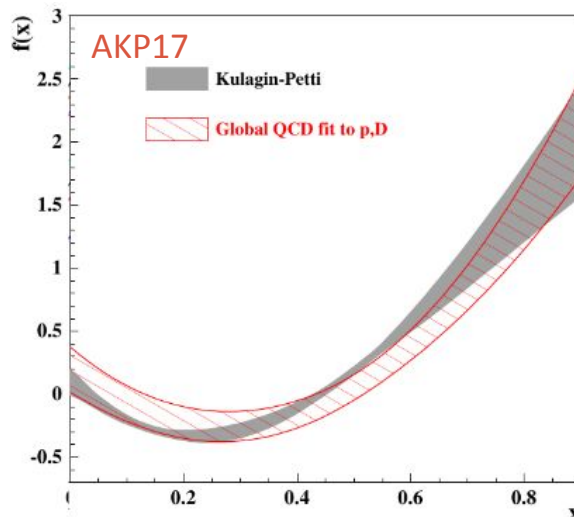
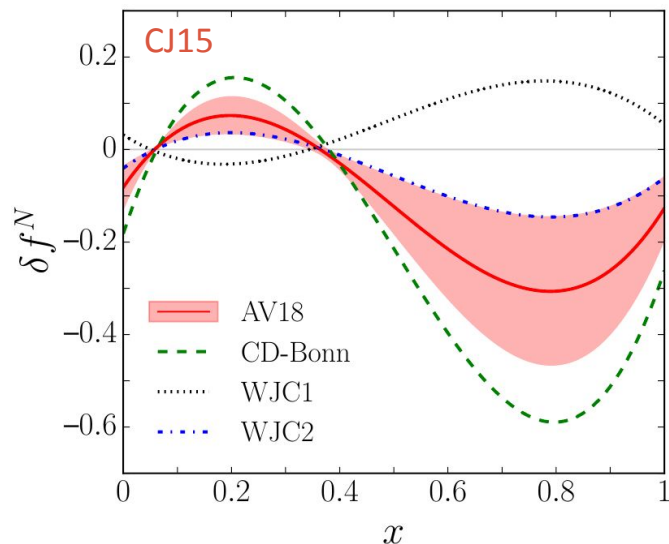
CJ15 and AKP: free nucleons



- **AKP has smaller d/u but bigger n/p ???**
 - Not possible at Leading Twist!
 - → **Large HT contributions to high- x n/p ratio**

CJ15: PRD 93 (2016) 114017
AKP: PRD 96 (2017) 054005
 (see also 2203.07333)

CJ15 and AKP17: off-shell function



*Kulagin, Petti (e+A fits),
NPA 765 (2006) 126*

*Alekhin + KP (e+d global fits)
PRD96 (2017) 054005*

*CJ15:
PRD 93 (2016) 114017*

- Different shape and size ??
- But many (**MANY**) differences

- Extended d-quark (CJ15) vs. conventional (AKP, $d/u \rightarrow 0$)
- Fit real W asymmetry vs. only decay lepton $W \rightarrow l + (n)$ asymmetry
- **Off-shell, HT choices, and their interplay**
- ...

Ongoing CJ + AKP
benchmarking effort

**The most important,
in our opinion!**

HT systematics

CTEQ-JLab study, in progress
See also Accardi, talk at DNP 2020

- **HT assumptions**

- Additive vs. Multiplicative
→ In both cases, Q^2 -independent
- Isospin symmetric or not

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = F_2^{LT}(x, Q^2) + \frac{H(x)}{Q^2}$$

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = F_2^{LT}(x, Q^2) \left(1 + \frac{C(x)}{Q^2}\right)$$

- **Isospin and Q^2 assumptions are not independent**

- e.g., a Q^2 -independent, isospin symmetric multiplicative HT generates an equivalent additive HT that depends on both

$$\tilde{H}_{p,n}(x, Q^2) = C(x) F_{2p,n}^{LT}(x, Q^2)$$

- **Non-negligible large-x bias**

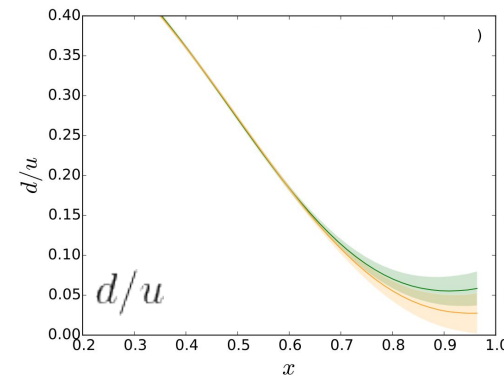
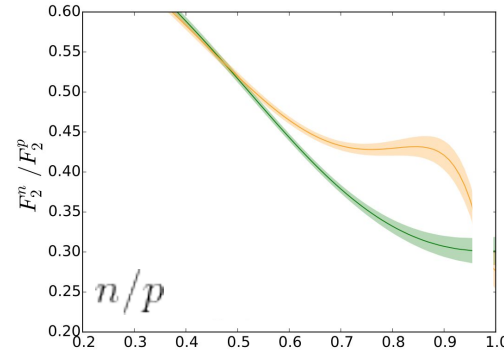
- **if using isospin-independent coefficients**
 - Multiplicative (CJ15) underestimates
 - Additive (AKP17) overestimates ($H > 0$)

$$\frac{n}{p} \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 1} \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} & \text{mult. } p = n \\ \frac{1}{4} + \frac{H}{u} & p \neq n \\ \frac{1}{4} + 3 \frac{H}{u} & \text{add. } p = n \end{cases}$$

CJ fits - isospin symmetric HT

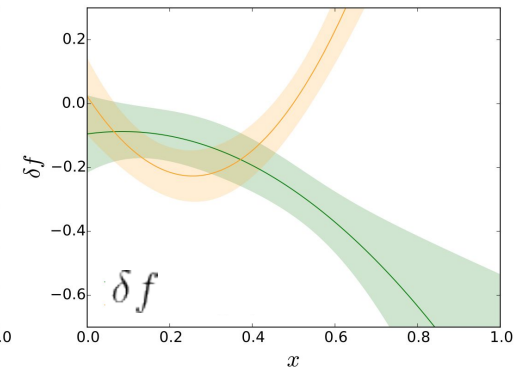
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- Additive n/p
 - Larger than Mult n/p
 - Even if d/u is smaller
- Fitted offshell function compensates n/p bias
 - D/p well fitted, indeed
- **CJ15/AKP17 differences are reproduced!**
 - And explained



Isospin symmetric case

- Additive HT ($p=n$)
- Mult HT ($p=n$)
→ essentially* CJ15

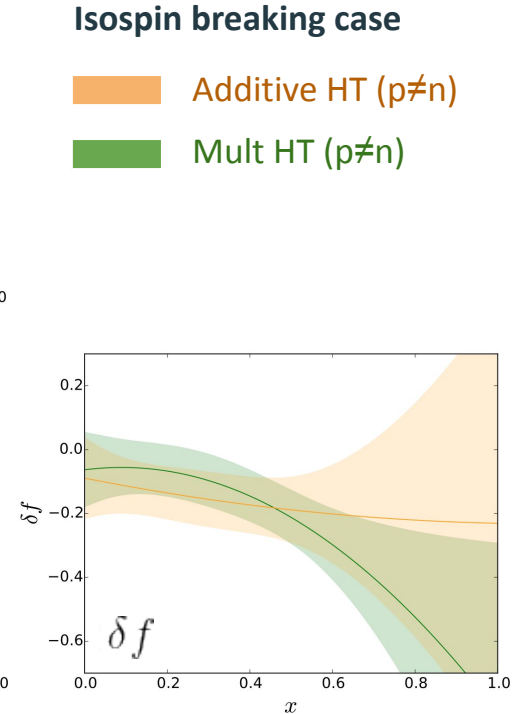
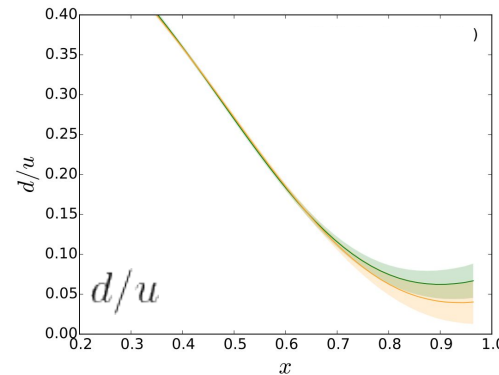
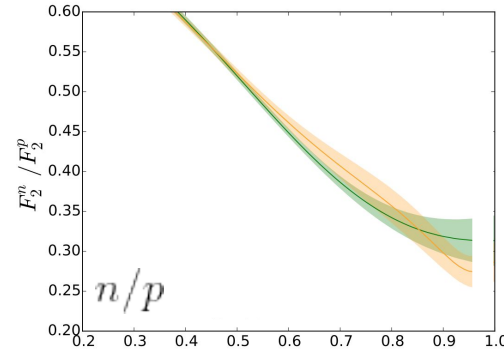


* uses generic 2nd order polynomial δf

CJ fits - isospin breaking HT

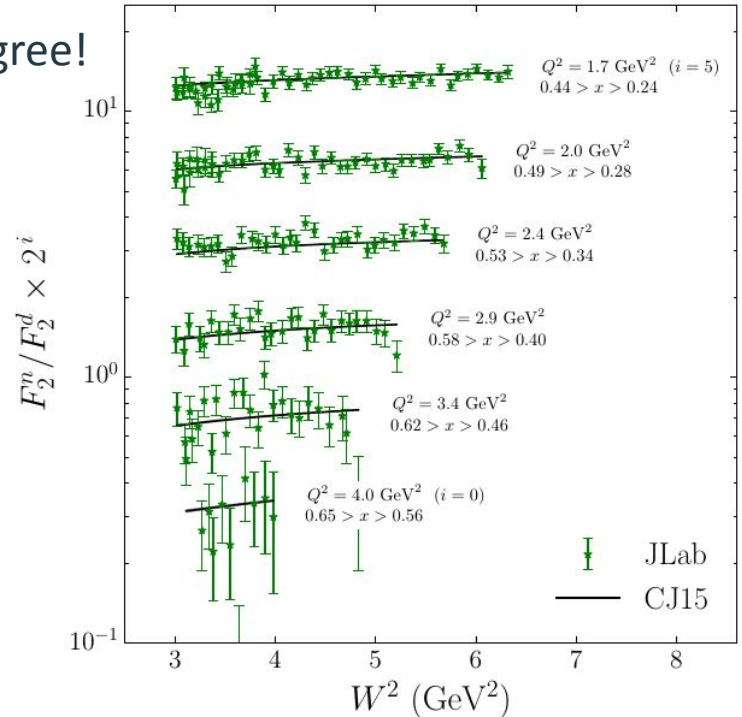
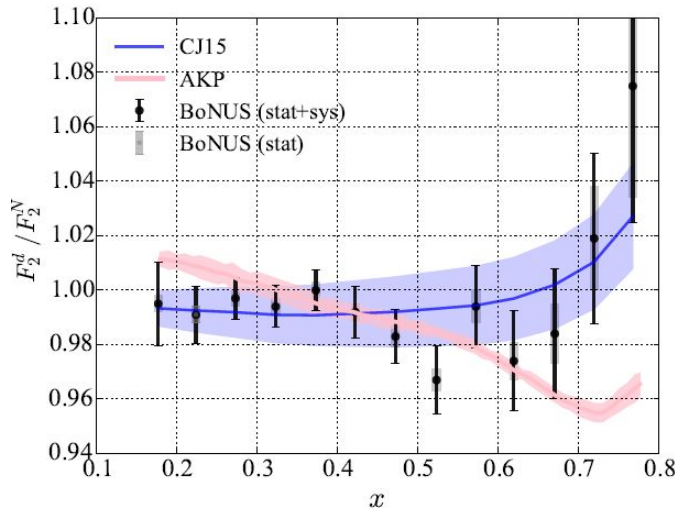
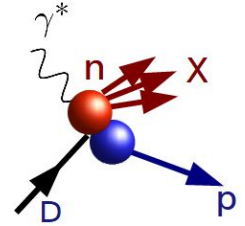
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- **Bias removed !!!**
 - Small systematics remains
- **n/p & d/u**
 - **Much closer to CJ15**
 - Attention when using AKP!
- **Small δf offshell correction**
 - When averaged over p and n
 - Large cancellation is possible, but need $A=3$ data to confirm
(Tropiano et al., PRC 2019)
(Cocuzza et al., PRD 2021)



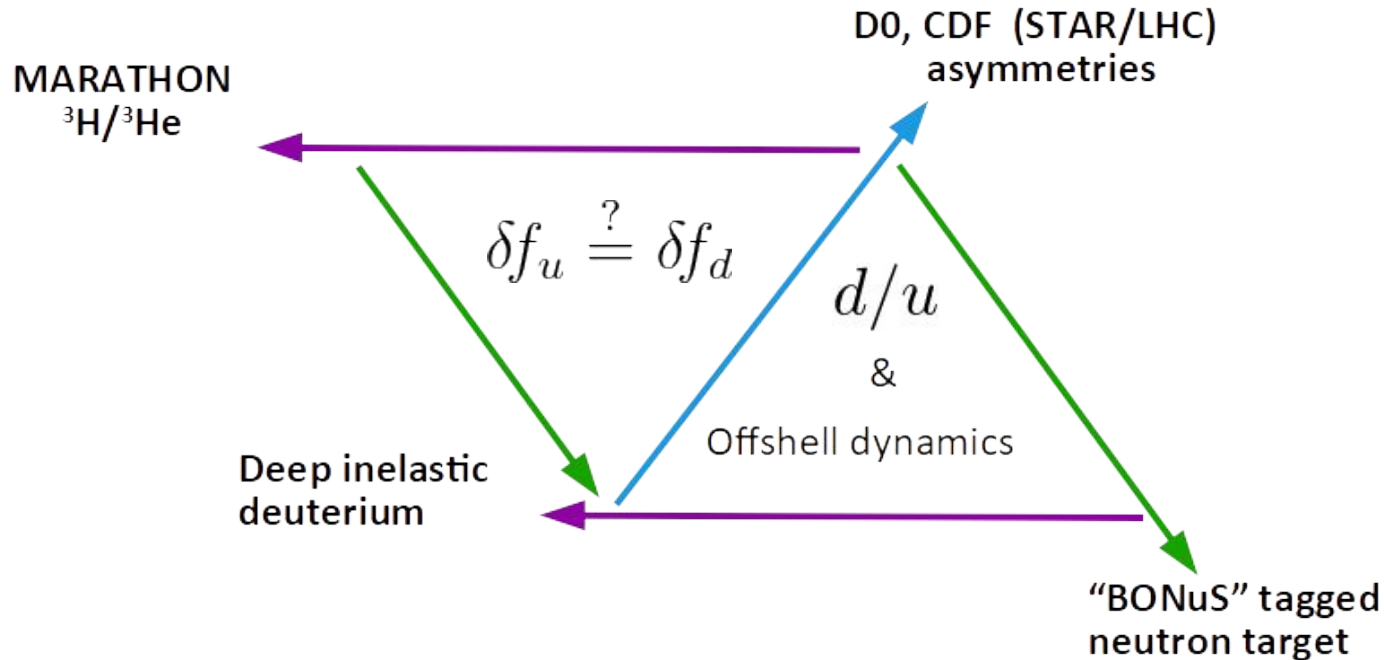
Open questions 1

- Can we confirm the picture just painted? Is δf zero or negative?
 - Need direct experimental sensitivity to δf
 - Tagged DIS experiments at JLab 6, 12 and EIC
- To start with, BONuS 6 don't seem to disagree!
 - But may not be precise enough at large x



Open questions 2

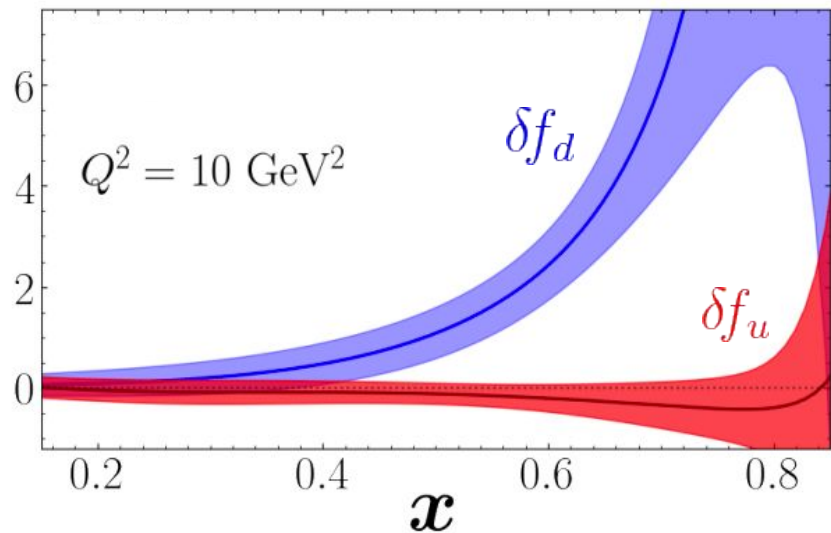
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C. Cocuzza et. al., arXiv:2104.06946

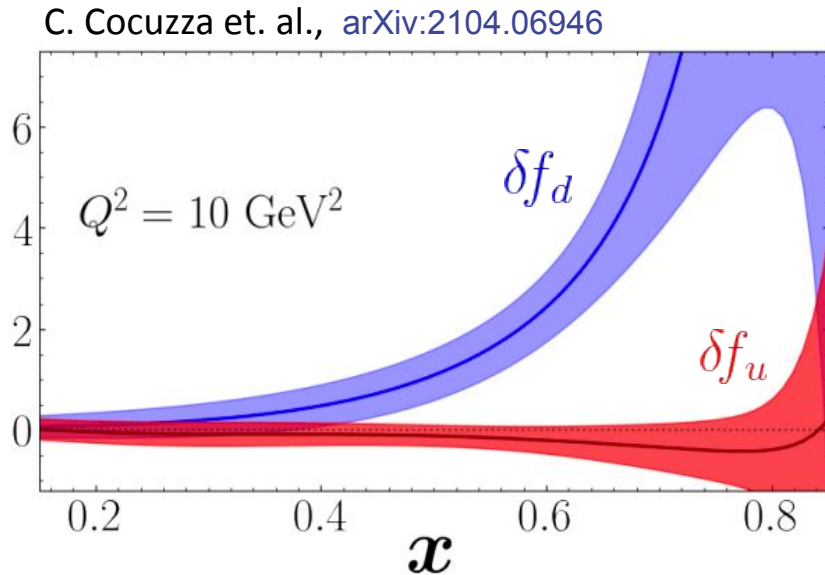


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Open Questions 3:

- But is also $\delta f_u^p \stackrel{?}{=} \delta f_d^n$ as assumed in the JAM analysis?
- Are there nuclear-level CSV effects?
- How to tell?

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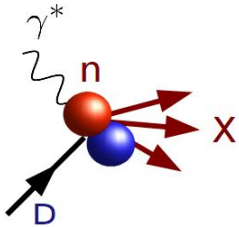
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PVDIS on p

$$A_{PV} \approx \frac{1 + 0.91 d/u}{1 + 0.25 d/u} + HT + Y_3 a_3$$

↑
ν's can help

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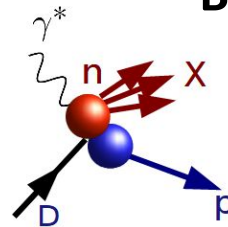


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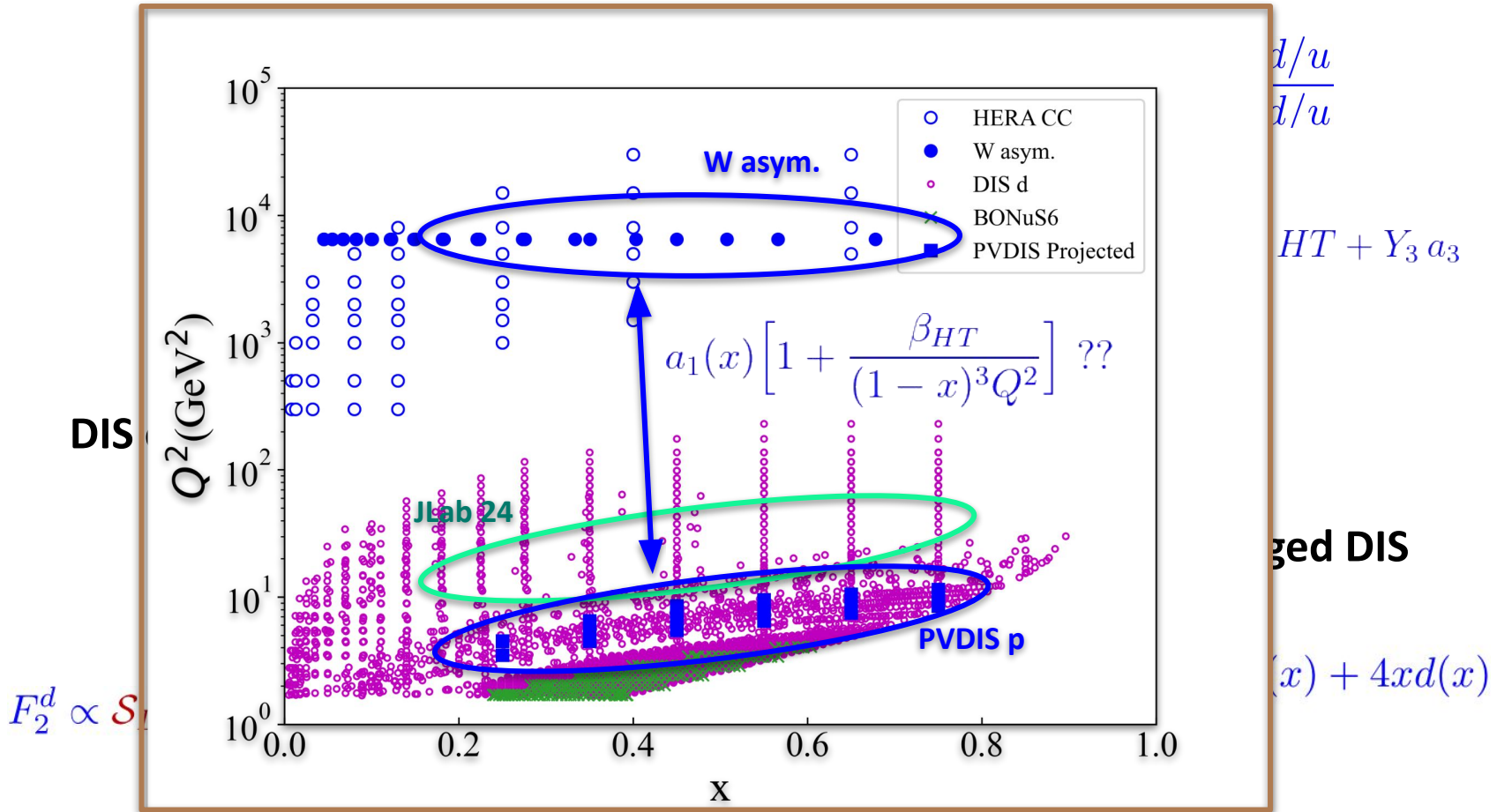
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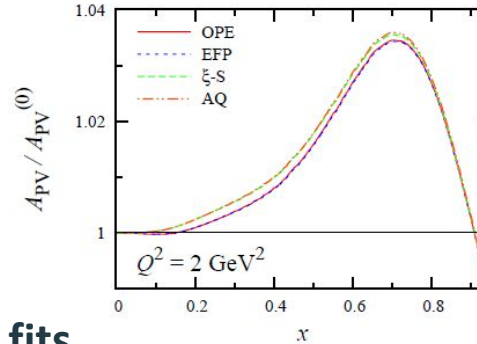
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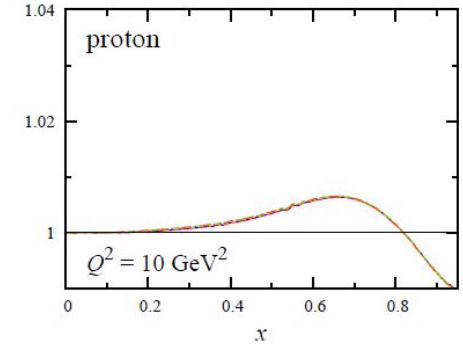
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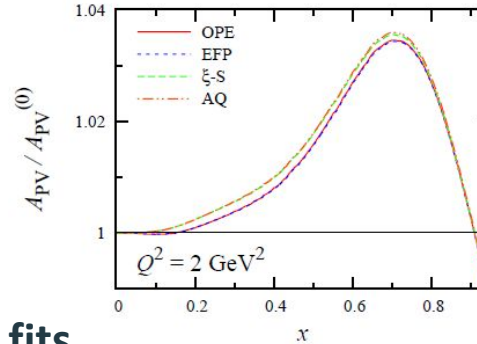
- **JLab 24: higher Q^2**

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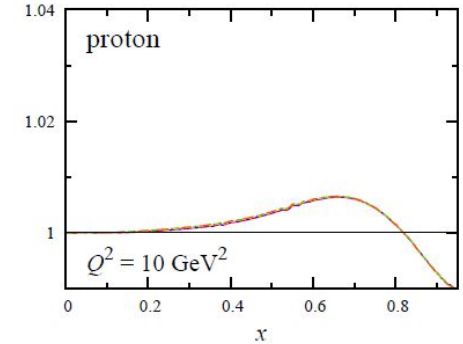
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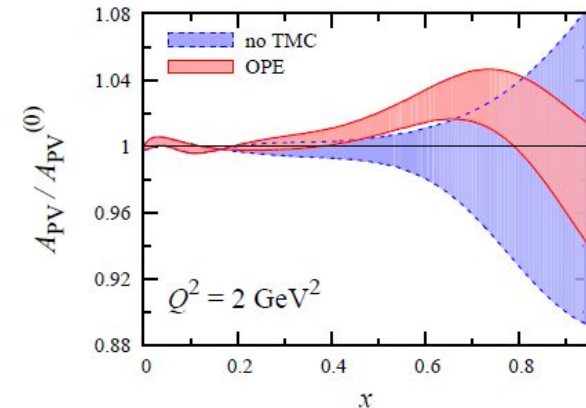


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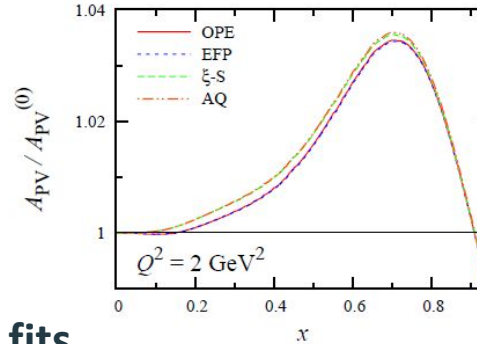
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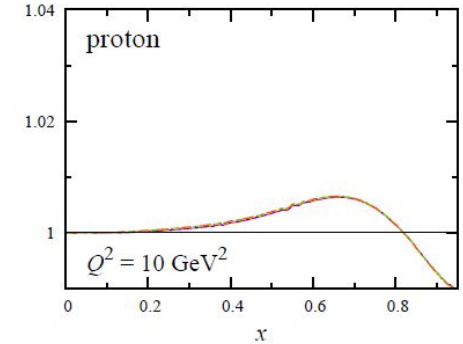
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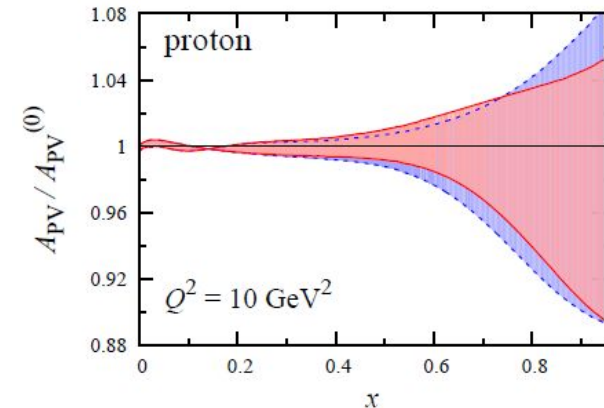


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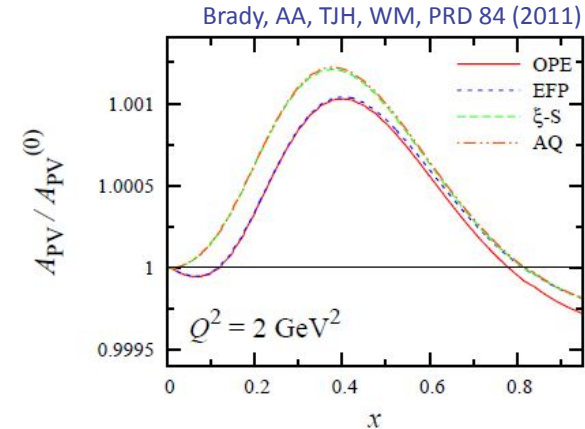
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PVDIS on Deuterons

- **TMC**
 - Per mille level, very small model dependence
 - Don't forget the kinematic shift
- **Nuclear corrections**
 - Likely small, too
 - (But not quantified)
- **Higher twists - analogous to proton discussion**
 - Large Q^2 lever arm when analyzed in a global fit
 - Need to fit $HT(p) \neq HT(n)$ to avoid biases
 - Formulate this at quark level and impose/verify charge symmetry
 - Attention to HT/offshell interplay



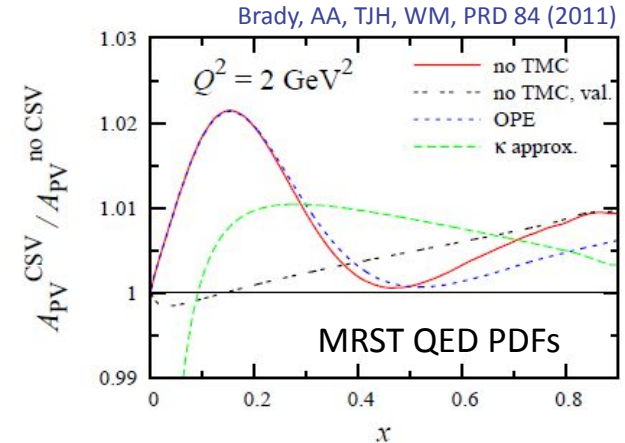
$$HT_u^p \stackrel{?}{=} HT_d^n ; HT_d^p \stackrel{?}{=} HT_u^n$$

$$\delta f_u^p \stackrel{?}{=} \delta f_d^n ; \delta f_d^p \stackrel{?}{=} \delta f_u^n$$

PVDIS on Deuterons

- CSV from nuclear and HT dynamics, as well?

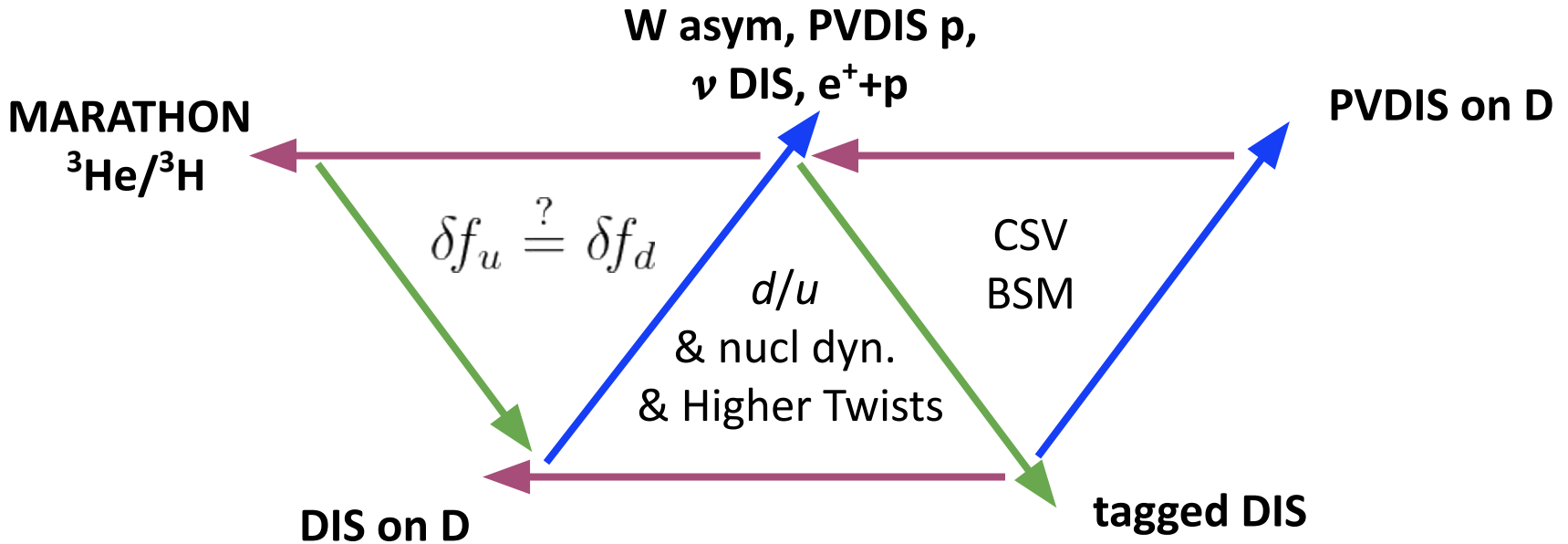
$$R^{CSV} = \underbrace{R_{pdf}^{CSV} + R_{off}^{CSV}}_{\text{How to tell?}} + R_{HT}^{CSV}$$



- If we find an “anomaly”: is it BSM or nuclear physics?
 - Remember the NuTeV anomaly
 - Here we have a deuteron, no p/n asymmetry to possibly trick us
 - Still, let’s keep our eyes and minds open

Need half a honeycomb, at least!

- Global QCD analysis is a powerful tool:
 - d/u, nuclear dynamics, parton correlations, CSV
 - PVDIS still relevant in BONuS 12 / Marathon era !!



Finally...

Final thoughts

- **Large-x data analysis in global QCD fits**
 - Needs careful attention to evaluation of statistical errors
 - Can have large systematic bias due to HT assumptions
 - That deforms the extracted offshell function
 - **Isospin-asymmetric HT parameterization is needed**
 - Better formulate this at parton level, though
- **PVDIS in a global QCD analysis**
 - Best control, extraction of HT corrections
 - Will revitalize theory in that sector
 - Would benefit from nDIS, positron data for gamma-Z str. fns.
 - Proton: will contribute to d/u fit precision and accuracy
 - Deuteron: with HT under control, can focus on CSV / BSM
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- For example,
 - Nuclear/off-shell and CSV corrections currently assume

$$D = \mathcal{S} \otimes [p + n] = \mathcal{S} \otimes [(u^*u^*d^* + \dots) + (u^*d^*d^* + \dots)]$$

- Neglects higher Fock hadronic states
- Off-shell function may just be a phenomenological, cover-all blanket
- An adequate concept for the aims of the PVDIS program?
- Maybe better to describe the Deuteron at parton level

$$D = [u u d u d d + \dots]$$

- Lattice QCD powerful enough these days, can guide pheno assumptions

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Thank you!

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Theoretical choices \longrightarrow

Corrections (increasing-x) \downarrow

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shadowing	yes	yes (which one?)	MST $x < 0.1$	(same)
smearing	Paris	AV18	AV18 $x > 0.1$	(same)
pi-cloud	yes	yes	----	----
TMC	GP O(Q4)?	GP O(Q4)??	GP approx.	(same)
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HT(x)	??	5 pt. spline	parametrized	parametrized
off-shell	O(p2-M2)	O(p2-M2)	O(p2-M2)	(same)
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pi thresh.	yes	yes	----	----

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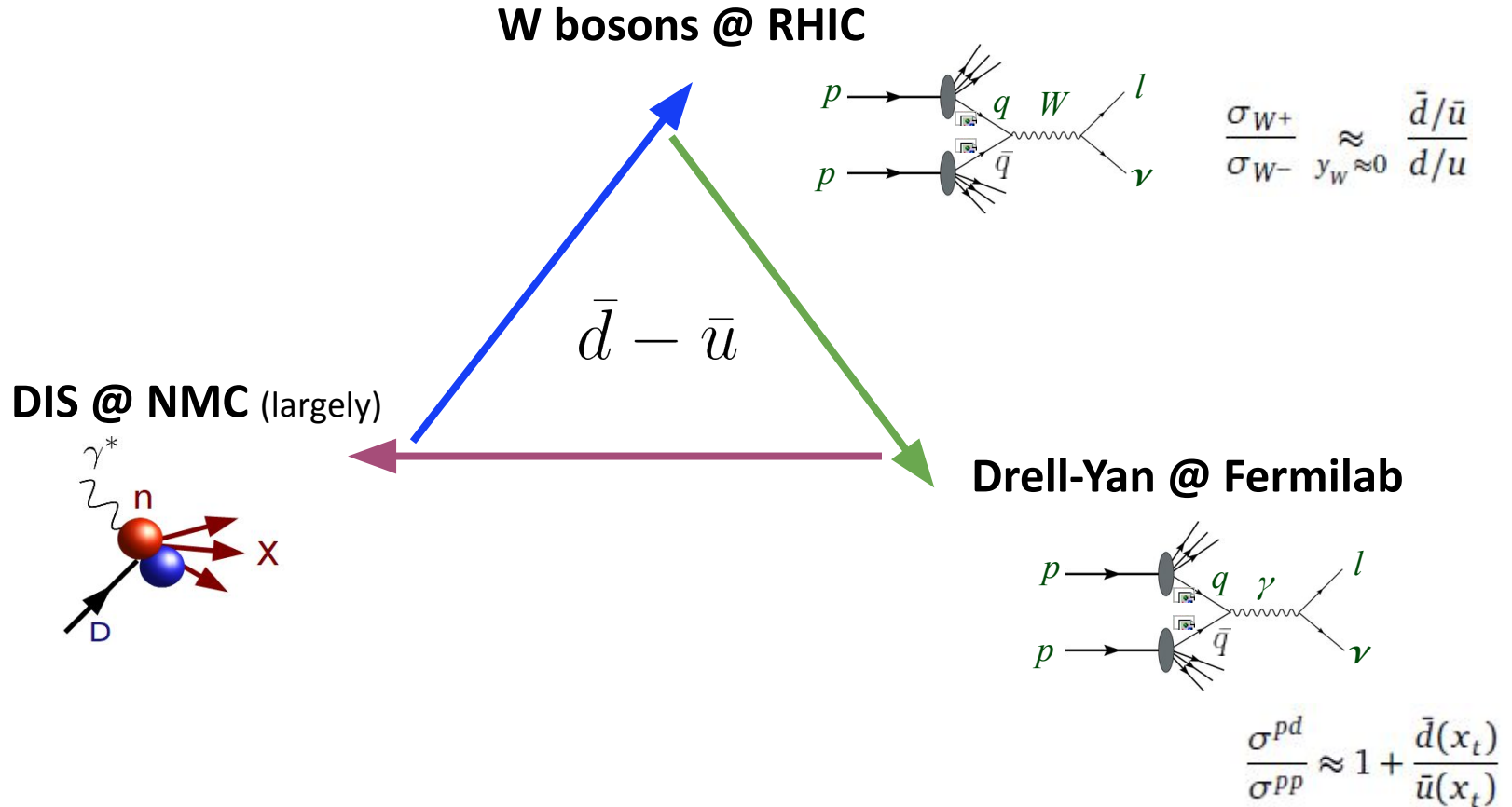
There is no "off-the-shelf" nuclear correction model:

One needs to know and pay attention to the detail

(yes: that means reading the theory papers without rush....)

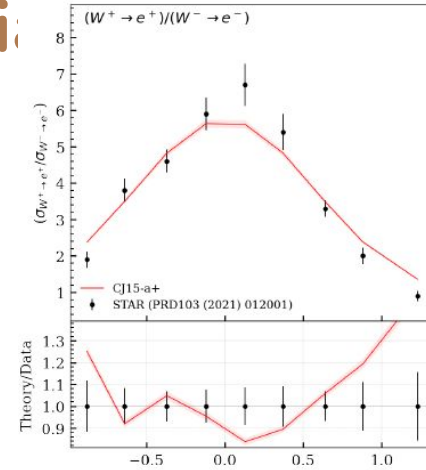
Light quark sea

Medium-x PDFs: the light sea triangle



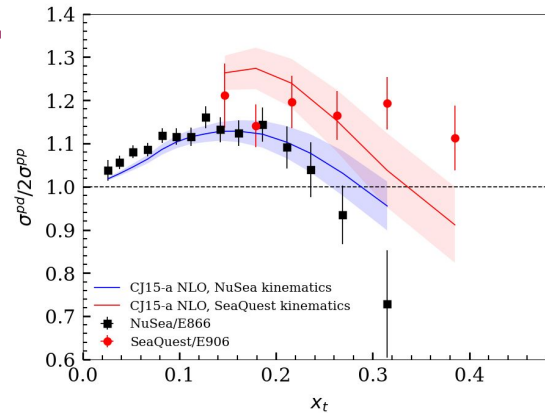
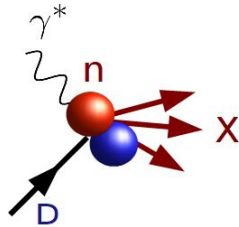
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W bosons @ RHIC

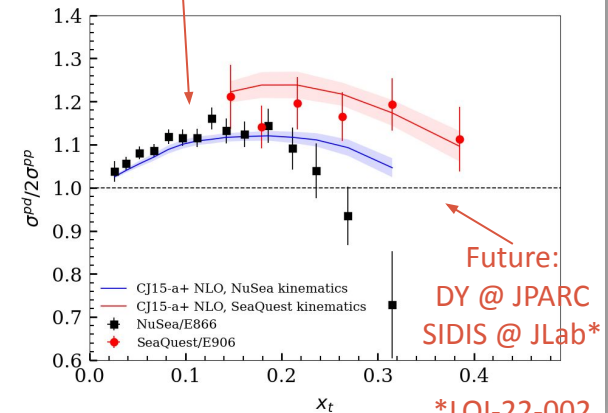


$$\bar{d} - \bar{u}$$

DIS @ NMC (largely)

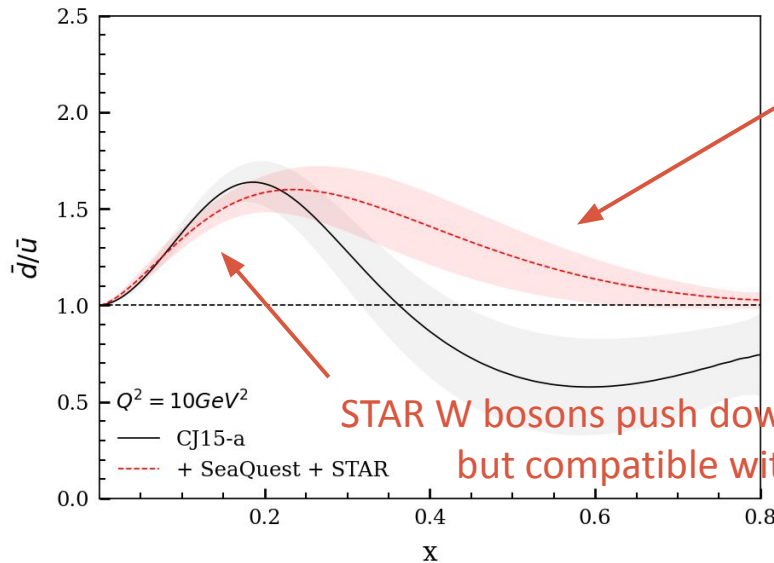


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SeaQuest pulls ratio up

→ Tension with E866

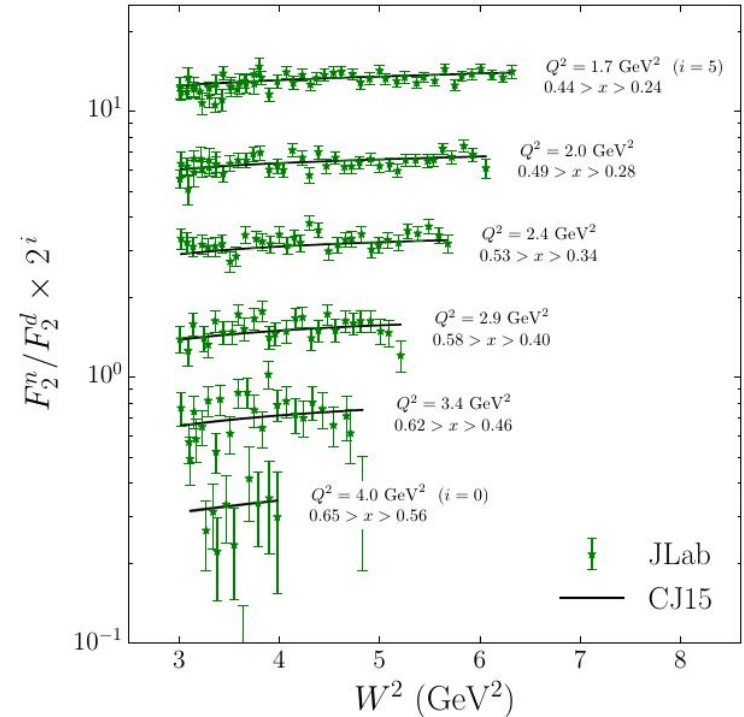
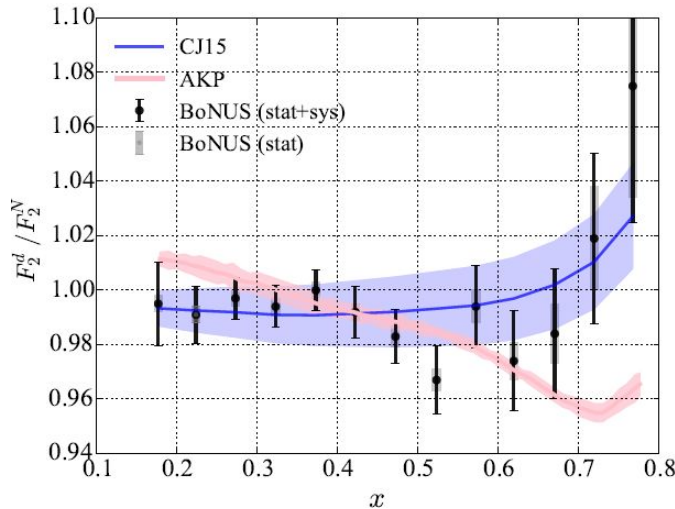
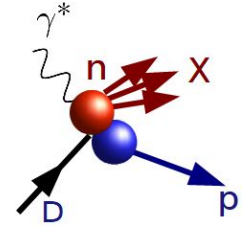
→ How to quote PDF errors?

STAR W bosons push down a bit,
but compatible with E866

Tagged DIS to the rescue

Open questions

- Can we confirm the picture just painted? Is δf negative?
 - Need direct experimental sensitivity to δf
 - Tagged DIS experiments
- BONuS 6 data don't seem to disagree!
 - But may not be precise enough at large x



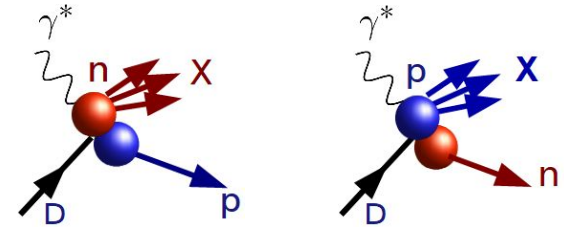
Open questions

- Is the simple proposed factorization correct?
 - Or at least phenomenologically acceptable ?

$$F_{2N}(x, Q^2, p^2) = F_{2N}^{free}(x, Q^2) [1 + v \delta f(x)]$$

$$v = \frac{p^2 - M^2}{M^2}$$

- Are FSI negligible?
 - Inclusive DIS only probes small off-shellness



More data, please!

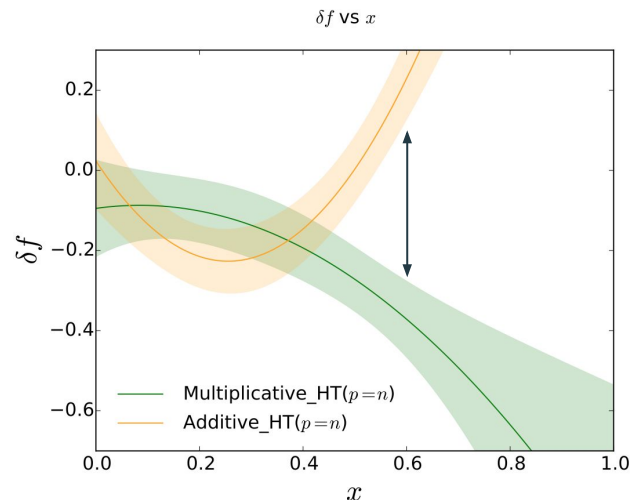
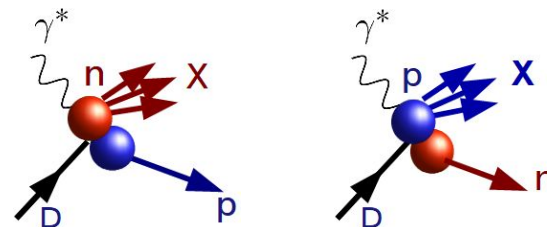
- One can extract δf

$$\frac{F_{2N}}{F_{2N}^{free}} = 1 + v \delta f(x)$$

- Experiment by experiment
- or in a global QCD fit

- Need more tagged DIS data with

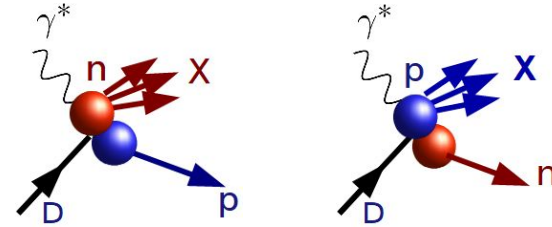
- FSI under control (small v , backward φ)
- Large lever arm, good resolution on v (or p_s)
- $x > 0.6$ would clearly distinguish the two cases



More data, please!

- **At JLab:**

- BONuS 12, TDIS-n, BAND, LAD...
- Proton and neutron tagging



- **At the EIC**

- Simulated Data (*C.Weiss et al. - JLab LDRD 2014*)
 - Proton tagging + on-shell extrapolation method
- Fits by *X.Jing and S.Li*

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