Quark isospin asymmetry at small and large x

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Accuracy of O(1%) is in general achieved for medium x

Sea quark iso-spin asymmetry



• At x~0.1 the sea quark iso-spin asymmetry is controlled by the fixed-target DY data (E-866), weak constraint from the DIS (NMC)

• At x<0.01 Regge-like constraint like $x^{(a-1)}$, with a close to the meson trajectory intercept; the "unbiased" NNPDF fit follows the same trend

Onset of the Regge asymptotics is out of control

d/u ratio at large x



Accarti et al. PRD 84, 014008 (2011)

d/u ratio extracted from the DIS data is quite sensitive to the details of modeling nuclear effects in deuterium

LO kinematics of the recent W&Z data



In the forward region $x_2 >> x_1$ $\sigma(W^+) \sim u(x_2) \text{ dbar } (x_1)$ $\sigma(W^-) \sim d(x_2) \text{ ubar}(x_1)$ $\sigma(Z) \sim Q_u^2 u(x_2) \text{ ubar } (x_1) + Q_p^2 d(x_2) \text{ dbar}(x_1)$ $\sigma(DIS) \sim q_u^2 u(x_2) + q_d^2 d(x_2)$

Forward W&Z production probes small/large x and is complementary to the DIS \rightarrow constraint on the quark iso-spin asymmetry

Experiment	ATLAS	CMS	D0		LHCb	
\sqrt{s} (TeV)	7	7	1.96		7	8
Final states	$W^+ \to l^+ \nu$	$W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$	$W^+ \to \mu^+ \nu$	$W^+ \to e^+ \nu$	$W^+ \to \mu^+ \nu$	$Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
	$W^- \to l^- \nu$	$W^- \to \mu^- \nu$	$W^- \to \mu^- \nu$	$W^- \to e^- \nu$	$W^- \to \mu^- \nu$	
	$Z \to l^+ l^-$				$Z \to \mu^+ \mu^-$	
Reference	[23]	[1]	[3]	[4]	[18]	[19]
Cut on the lepton P_T	$P_T^l > 20 \mathrm{GeV}$	$P_T^{\mu} > 25 \text{ GeV}$	$P_T^{\mu} > 25 \text{ GeV}$	$P_T^e > 25 \text{ GeV}$	$P_T^{\mu} > 20 \text{ GeV}$	$P_T^e > 20 \text{ GeV}$
Luminosity (1/fb)	0.035	4.7	7.3	9.7	1.	2.
NDP	30	11	10	13	31	17

The fit ingredients

DATA: DIS NC inclusive (no deuteron data included) **DIS CC inclusive DIS charm production** DIS µµ CC production (NOMAD) **DIS charmed-hadron CC production (CHORUS)** fixed-target DY LHC DY distributions (ATLAS, CMS, LHCb) QCD: NNLO evolution NNLO massless DIS and DY coefficient functions NLO+ massive DIS coefficient functions (**FFN scheme**) – NLO + NNLO threshold corrections for NC - NNLO CC at Q>> m - running mass NNLO exclusive DY (FEWZ 3.1) NNLO inclusive ttbar production (pole / running mass) Relaxed form of (dbar-ubar) at small x Power corrections in DIS: target mass effects dynamical twist-4 terms

Computation accuracy



• Accuracy of O(1 ppm) is required to meet uncertainties in the experimental data \rightarrow O(10⁴ h) of running FEWZ 3.1 in NNLO

An interpolation grid a la FASTNLO is used (cf. Extras)

ABM fit with recent Drell-Yan data



 Relaxed form of the sea iso-spin asymmetry at small x; Regge-like behaviour is reproduced only at x~10⁻⁶; at large x it is still defined by the phase-space constraint

• Good constraint on the d/u ratio w/o deuteron data; big spread between different PDF sets: up to factor of 30 at large $x \rightarrow$ PDF4LHC recommendations are misleading in this part

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	this work	29.8	22.5	16.9	18.0	44.1	18.2
	this work ^a	32.3	$19.5(13.5^b)$	13.5	9.5	34.7	19.1
	ABM12 [8]	34.5	-	-	-	-	-
χ^2	CT14 [10]	42	_ c	-	34.7	-	-
	HERAFitter [13]	_	_	13	19	_	-
	MMHT14[11]	39	-	21	_	-	-
	NN3.0 [12]	35.4	18.9	-	-	-	-

^aThe variants with all collider DY and W[±]-boson data excluded except the one given.

^bThe value obtained assuming systematic uncertainties to be uncorrelated.

^cStatistically less significant data with the cut of $P_T^{\mu} > 35$ GeV are used.

DY at large rapidity



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Implication for the single-top production



• ATLAS and CMS data on the ratio t/tbar are in a good agreement

The predictions driven by the froward DY data are in a good agreement with the single-top data

Single-top production discriminate available PDF sets and can serve as a standard candle process

Summary

Recent TEVATRON and LHC data provide valuable constraint on the small- and large x quark iso-spin asymmetry

- the sea asymmetry is negative at $x\sim 10^{-3}$; an onset of the Regge asymptotics still may occur at $x<10^{-5}$
- large-x asymmetry can be determined with a good accuracy w/o using the DIS data on deuterium target \rightarrow reduced theoretical uncertainties in PDFs
- nice agreement with the LHC single-top production data; standard candle for the d/u ratio



NNLO DY corrections in the fit

The existing NNLO codes (DYNNLO, FEWZ) are quite time-consuming \rightarrow fast tools are employed (FASTNLO, Applgrid,.....)

- the corrections for certain basis of PDFs are stored in the grid
- the fitted PDFs are expanded over the basis
- the NNLO c.s. in the PDF fit is calculated as a combination of expansion coefficients with the pre-prepared grids

The general PDF basis is not necessary since the PDFs are already constrained by the data, which do not require involved computations \rightarrow use as a PDF basis the eigenvalue PDF sets obtained in the earlier version of the fit

- $\mathbf{P}_{0} \pm \Delta \mathbf{P}_{0}$ vector of PDF parameters with errors obtained in the earlier fit
- **E** error matrix
- ${\bf P}$ current value of the PDF parameters in the fit
- store the DY NNLO c.s. for all PDF sets defined by the eigenvectors of E
- the variation of the fitted PDF parameters $(\mathbf{P} \mathbf{P}_0)$ is transformed into this eigenvector basis
- the NNLO c.s. in the PDF fit is calculated as a combination of transformed ($\mathbf{P} \mathbf{P}_0$) with the stored eigenvector values