# NNPDF 2.0: NLO global fit using the NNPDF methodology

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## NNPDF Methodology

Main Ingredients

#### Monte Carlo determination of errors

- No need to rely on linear propagation of errors
- Possibility to test for non gaussianity of data
- Possibility to test for non-gaussian behaviour in fitted PDFs
  - (1  $\sigma$  vs. 68% CL)

#### Neural Networks

• Provide an unbiased parametrization

#### Stopping based on Cross Validation

• Ensures proper fitting avoiding overlearning



### Dataset



#### 3415 data points

(for comparison MSTW08 includes 2699 data points)

| OBS                                | Data set             |  |  |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| Deep Inelastic Scattering          |                      |  |  |
| $F_2^d/F_2^p$                      | $F_2^d/F_2^p$ NMC-pd |  |  |
| $F_2^p$                            | NMC                  |  |  |
| -                                  | SLAC                 |  |  |
|                                    | BCDMS                |  |  |
| $F_2^d$                            | SLAC                 |  |  |
| _                                  | BCDMS                |  |  |
| $\sigma_{NC}^+$                    | ZEUS                 |  |  |
|                                    | H1                   |  |  |
| $\sigma_{NC}^{-}$                  | ZEUS                 |  |  |
|                                    | H1                   |  |  |
| F <sub>L</sub>                     | H1                   |  |  |
| $\sigma_{\nu}, \sigma_{\bar{\nu}}$ | CHORUS               |  |  |
| dimuon prod.                       | NuTeV                |  |  |
| Drell-Yan & Vector Boson prod.     |                      |  |  |
| $d\sigma^{\rm DY}/dM^2 dy$         | E605                 |  |  |
| $d\sigma^{\rm DY}/dM^2 dx_F$       | E866                 |  |  |
| W asymm.                           | CDF                  |  |  |
| Z rap. distr.                      | D0/CDF               |  |  |
| Inclusive jet prod.                |                      |  |  |
| Incl. $\sigma^{(jet)}$             | $CDF(k_T)$ - Run II  |  |  |
| Incl $\sigma^{(jet)}$              | D0 (cone) - Bun II   |  |  |

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- Fast DGLAP evolution based on higher-order interpolating polynomials
- Improved treatment of normalization errors (t<sub>0</sub> method)
  - For details see [R. D. Ball et al., arXiv:0912.2276]
- Improvements in training/stopping
  - Target Weighted Training
  - Improved stopping for avoiding under-/over-learning





- Inclusion of higher order corrections to hadronic processes in parton fits is often too expensive
- Often higher order corrections are included as (local) K factors rescaling the LO cross section
- We use FastNLO for inclusive jet cross section
- We developed our own FastDY for fixed target Drell-Yan and vector boson production at colliders



Relative Accuracy w.r.t to Exact calc.

#### **Results** General features of the fit





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#### Partons - Comparison to other global fits



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 ... but still retain unbiasedness in regions where there are little or no experimental constraints



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- Comparisons we have performed for NNPDF2.0
  - NNPDF1.2 vs. NNPDF1.2 + minimization/training improvements
  - Improved NNPDF1.2 vs. Improved NNPDF1.2 + t<sub>0</sub>-method
  - Fit to DIS dataset with H1/ZEUS data vs. Fit with HERA-I combined
  - Fit to DIS dataset vs. Fit to DIS+JET
  - Fit to DIS+JET vs. NNPDF2.0 final



#### **Results** Impact HERA-I combined dataset

- Overall fit quality to the whole dataset is good (χ<sup>2</sup> = 1.14)
  - $\sigma_{\rm NC}^+$  dataset has relatively high  $\chi^2 \sim 1.3$
  - $\sigma_{\rm CC}^-$  dataset has very low  $\chi^2 \sim 0.55$
- Same  $\chi^2$ -pattern observed in the HERAPDF1.0 analysis
- Impact on PDFs is moderate, affecting mainly Singlet and Gluon at small-x



#### Impact of Tevatron inclusive Jet data

- We include Tevatron Run-II inclusive jet data
- They provide a valuable constrain on large-x gluon
- No signs of tension with other datasets included in the analysis
- Run-I data not included but compatibility with the outcome of the fit has been checked



Impact of Drell-Yan and Vector Boson production data

- Good description of fixed target Drell-Yan data (E605 proton and E886 proton and p/d ratio)
- Vector boson production at colliders (CDF W-asymmetry and Z rapidity distribution) harder to fit
- All valence-type PDF combinations are affected by these data
- Sizable reduction in the uncertainty of the strange valence (possible impact on NuTeV anomaly)



#### Phenomenological implications

#### • LHC standard Candles

|          | $\sigma(W^+)$ Br $(W^+ \rightarrow l^+ \nu_l)$ | $\sigma(W^-) \operatorname{Br} \left( W^- \to l^+ \nu_l \right)$ | $\sigma(Z^0) \operatorname{Br}\left(Z^0 \to l^+ l^-\right)$ |
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| NNPDF1.2 | $11.99\pm0.34$ nb                              | $8.47\pm0.21~ m nb$                                              | $1.94\pm0.04$ nb                                            |
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• Impact on NuTeV determination of  $\sin^2 \theta_W$ 



Determinations of the weak mixing angle  $\text{sin}^2\theta_W$ 



## **Conclusions and Outlook**

The way ahead of NNPDF fits ...

- NNPDF2.0 is the first global NNPDF fit
- Competitive errors on PDF and precision studies of observables (see NuTeV anomaly) possible
- No sign of strong tension among different datasets
- Officially released NNPDF sets (NNPDF 1.0/1.2/2.0) are available within the LHAPDF interface.
- Next steps:
  - Improved treatment of Heavy Flavour contributions (FONLL, FFNS), NNPDF 2.x
  - Inclusion of higher order contributions (NNLO QCD and EW effects), NNPDF x.x

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# **Backup Slides**





- Implementation of a new strategy to solve DGLAP evolution equation
- Evolution is performed as interpolation using higher-oder interpolating polynomials (Hermite polyonomials)
- Implementation benchmarked against the Les Houches tables
- Gain in speed by a factor 30 (for a fit to 3000 datapoints)
- Speed of the evolution scales with number of points in the interpolating grid (compare to older implementations which scaled with number of datapoints).

# Methodology

Impact of improved trainig/stopping





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Impact of to-method





Some more phenomenological implications

|          | $\sigma(t\bar{t})$ | $\sigma(H, m_H = 120  \text{GeV})$ |
|----------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| NNPDF1.2 | $901\pm21~{ m pb}$ | 36.6 ± 1.2 pb                      |
| NNPDF2.0 | $913\pm17~ m pb$   | $37.3\pm0.4$ pb                    |
| CTEQ6.6  | $844\pm17~{ m pb}$ | $36.3\pm0.9~{ m pb}$               |
| MSTW08   | $905\pm18~ m pb$   | $38.4\pm0.5~{ m pb}$               |



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Vector Boson production at colliders

- Z rapidity distribution:
  - Very good description of D0 data ( $\chi^2 = 0.57$ )
  - Poor description of CDF data ( $\chi^2 = 2.02$ )
  - MSTW08 has the same pattern
  - Possible inconsistency of the two datasets?
- CDF W-asymmetry
  - We fit the direct W-asymmetry data, not the leptoinc asymmetry
  - Poor description of the data  $(\chi^2 = 1.85)$

