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# **HERAFitter: PDF determination using DIS data**

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# Introduction

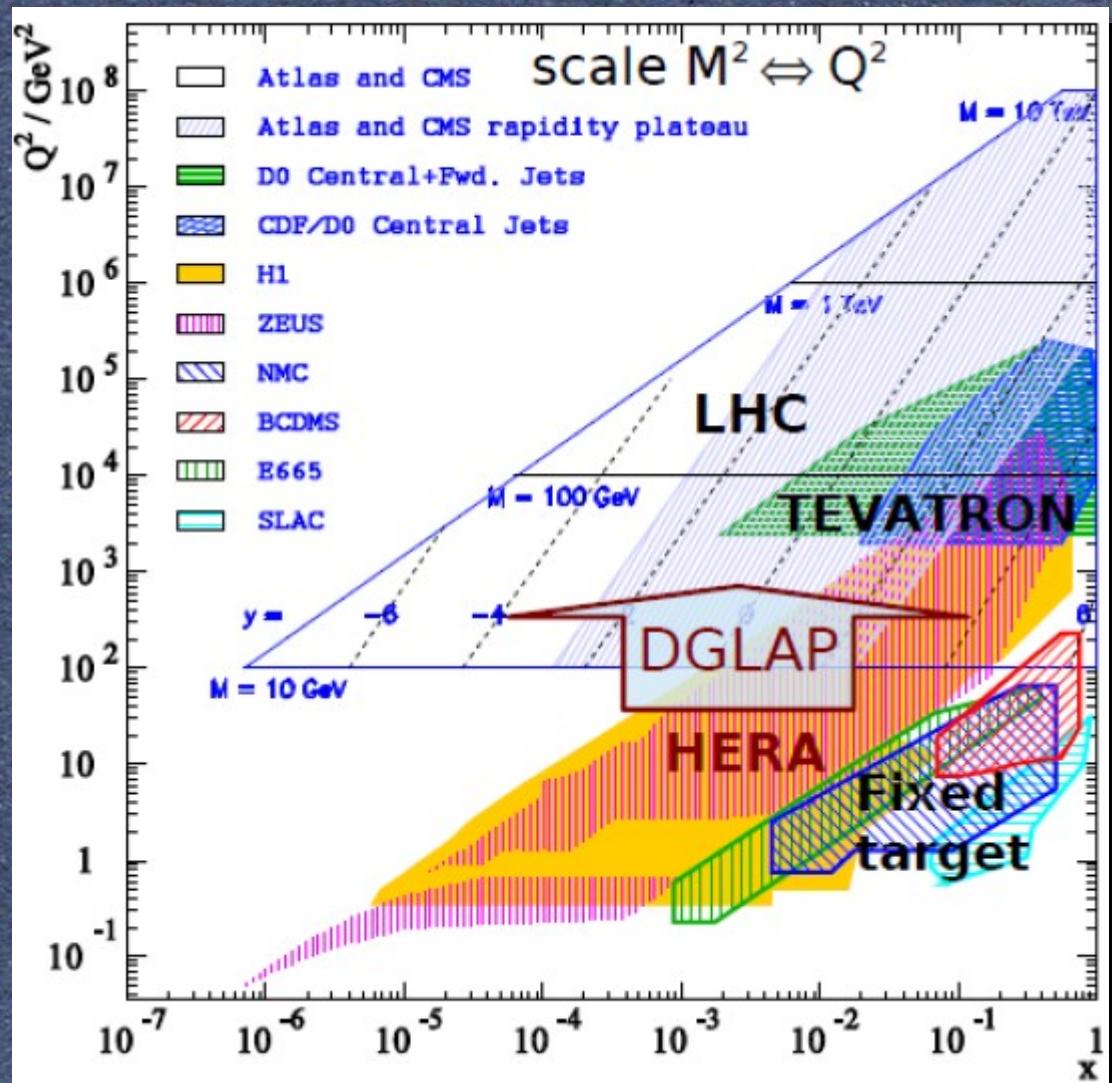
According to the factorisation theorem:

***cross section: PDFs  $\otimes$  hard-scattering coefficients***

Main information on PDFs comes from DIS data at HERA

- Sensitive to light quarks and gluons
- No information on flavour decomposition of the sea
- Various LHC processes provide information on sea decomposition  
*(see talk by Voica Radescu)*

In this tutorial we will use inclusive NC and CC DIS from HERA to determine PDFs as used in HERAPDF1.0  
[JHEP01(2010)109]



# Setup

For the tutorial HERAFitter-1.1.0 version will be used:

```
./configure  
make clean  
make  
make install;
```

Copy a tar file containing some files for this tutorial:

```
wget www.desy.de/~pirumov/pirumov_tutorial.tgz  
tar xvfz pirumov_tutorial.tgz
```

Copy steering and minuit card to the herafitter directory:

```
cp pirumov_tutorial/steering.txt.rtfast steering.txt  
cp pirumov_tutorial/minuit.in.txt.basic minuit.in.txt
```

We'll use HERA I data and 'RT FAST' heavy flavor scheme

Run a fit:

```
./bin/FitPDF
```

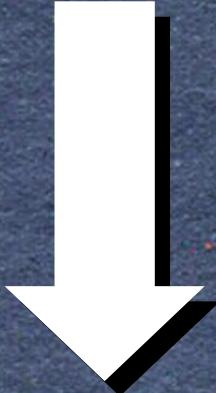
# DIS: formalism

Neutral Current cross section:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{NC}^{e^\pm p}}{dxdQ^2} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} [Y_+ \tilde{F}_2^\pm \mp Y_- x \tilde{F}_3^\pm - y^2 \tilde{F}_L^\pm]$$

Charged Current cross section:

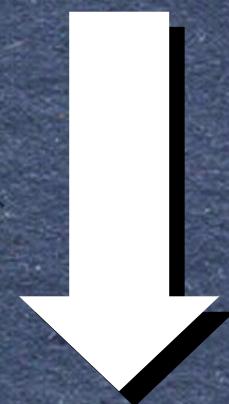
$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{CC}^{e^\pm p}}{dxdQ^2} = \frac{G_F^2}{4\pi x} \left( \frac{M_W^2}{Q^2 + M_W^2} \right)^2 [Y_+ W_2^\pm + y^2 W_L^\pm \mp Y_- x W_3^\pm]$$



Relation to PDFs in QCD (LO):

$$[F_2, F_2^{\gamma Z}, F_2^Z] = x \sum_q [e_q^2, 2e_q v_q, v_q^2 + a_q^2] \{q(x, Q^2) + \bar{q}(x, Q^2)\}$$

$$[xF_3^{\gamma Z}, xF_3^Z] = x \sum_q [e_q^2 a_q, 2v_q a_q] \{q(x, Q^2) - \bar{q}(x, Q^2)\}$$



$$\tilde{\sigma}_{CC}^{e^+ p} = x[\bar{u} + \bar{c}] + (1-y)^2 x[d + s]$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{CC}^{e^- p} = x[u + c] + (1-y)^2 x[\bar{d} + \bar{s}].$$

A lot more details in Amanda's talk

# DIS: heavy flavour schemes

## Fixed-Flavour number scheme (FFN)

- Heavy quark contributions included explicitly in hard scattering coefficients
  - Available in HERAFitter via interface OPENQCDRAD (as used in ABM) or via QCDNUM.

## Variable-Flavour number scheme (VFN):

- Number of active flavours changes, when the scale crosses the threshold for a heavy quark production.
- Available in HERAfitter RT (as used in MSTW), ACOT (as used by CTEQ)

## HF-Schemes in HERAFitter:

```
! --- Scheme for heavy flavors :
! --- HF_SCHEME = 'ZMVFNS'      : ZM-VFNS (massless),
! --- HF_SCHEME = 'RT'          : Thorne-Roberts VFNS (massive)
! --- HF_SCHEME = 'RT FAST'    : Fast approximate TR VFNS scheme, usign k-factor
! --- HF_SCHEME = 'RT OPT'      : Thorne-Roberts VFNS (massive)
! --- HF_SCHEME = 'RT OPT FAST' : Fast approximate TR VFNS scheme, usign k-factor
! --- HF_SCHEME = 'ACOT Full'   : ACOT - F.Olness Version (massive), using k-factors
! --- HF_SCHEME = 'ACOT Chi'    : ACOT - F.Olness Version (massive), using k-factors
! --- HF_SCHEME = 'ACOT ZM'     : ACOT - F.Olness Version (massless), using k-factors
! --- HF_SCHEME = 'FF'          : Fixed Flavour Number Scheme (qcdnum)
! --- HF_SCHEME = 'FF ABM'      : Fixed Flavour Number Scheme (ABM)
! --- HF_SCHEME = 'FF ABM RUNM' : Fixed Flavour Number Scheme (ABM) using run mass def

HF_SCHEME = 'RT FAST' → Scheme we are using
```

# k-factors

To speed up calculations k-factor technique can be used  
k-factors can be defined:

- As the ratio between massless and massive scheme in the same QCD order (RT-FAST implementation in HERAFitter).
- As the ratio between massless LO and massive NLO (ACOT implementation in HERAFitter)

NOTE: k-factors are calculated for the input minuit parameters and are not updated with fit iterations. If the resulting PDFs significantly different from the input values, calculation should be repeated using the final PDF parameter as an input to the fit.

# Results: different hf-schemes

Store the output of our RT-FAST fit: `cp -r output output.rtfast`

Copy PDFs from ACOT and ZM-VFNS: `cp -r pirumov_tutorial/output.zmfvns .`  
`cp -r pirumov_tutorial/output.acot .`

Draw PDFs from different hf-schemes on one plot:

`./bin/DrawPdfs output.zmfvns:'ZM-VFNS' output.rtfast:'RT-FAST' output.acot:'ACOT'`

\* Specify the output directories as arguments of `./bin/DrawPdfs`

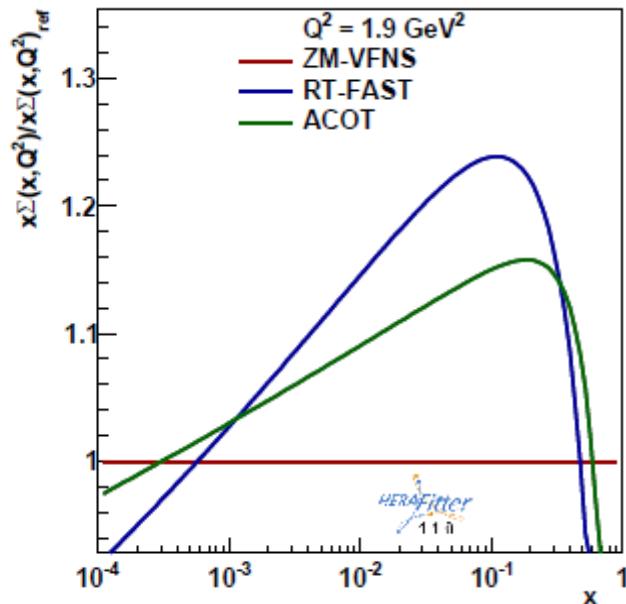
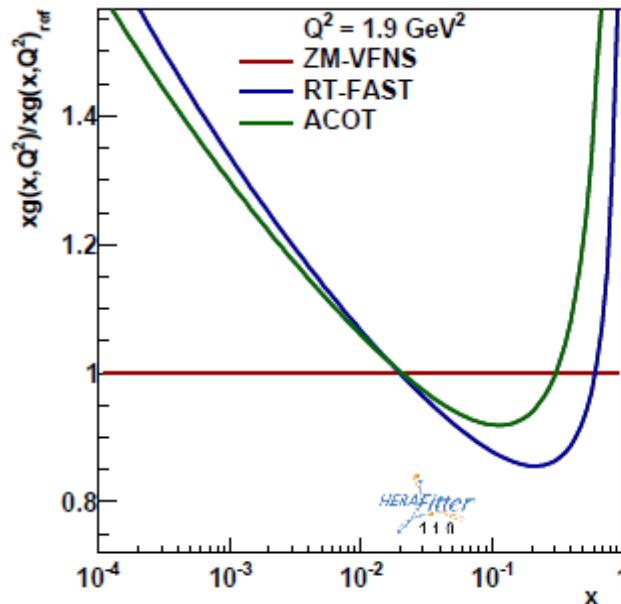
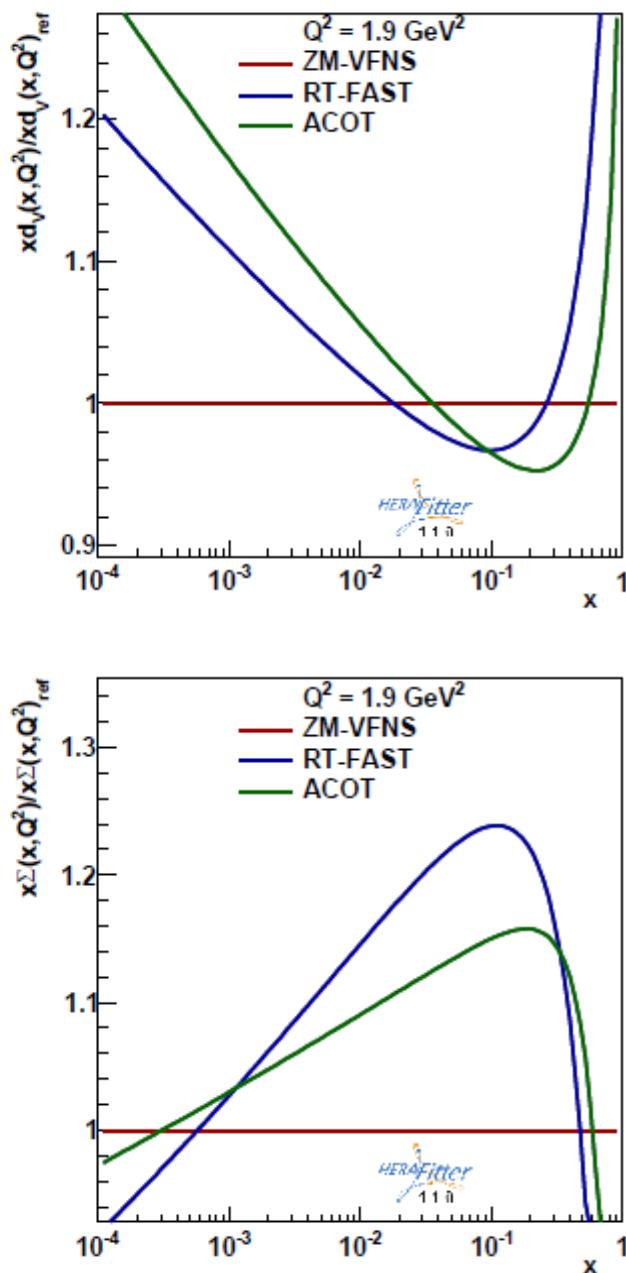
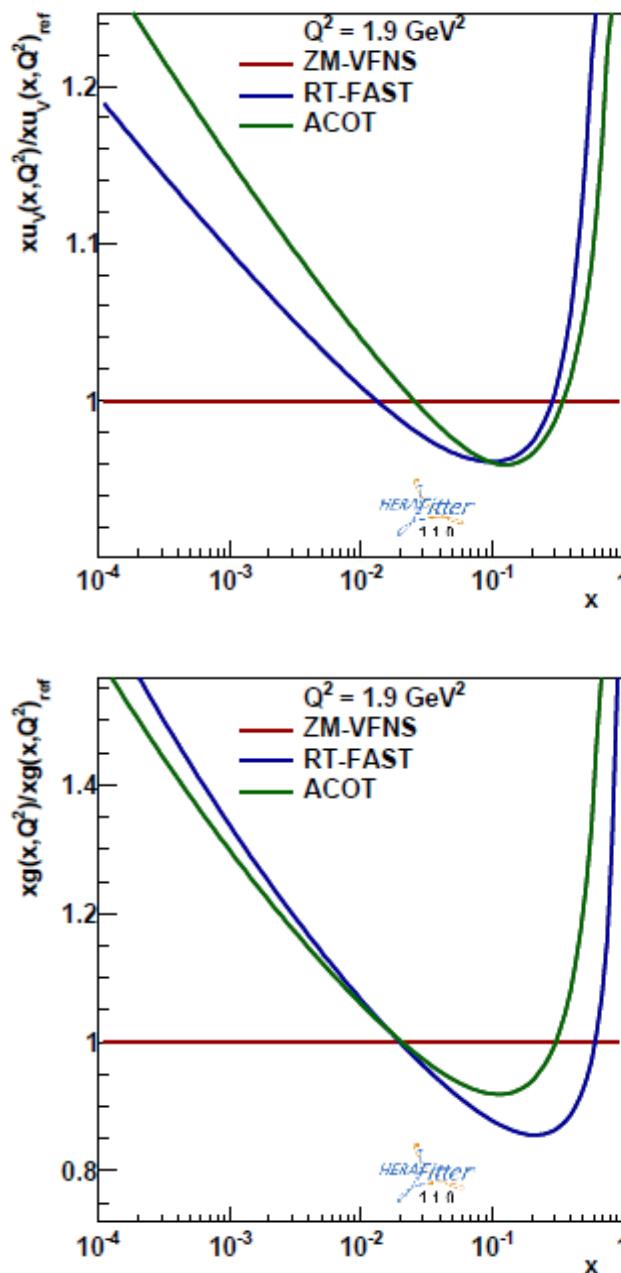
One can specify legend in the plots by adding `:LEGEND` after each of the output directory name, otherwise names of output directories will appear as a legend

Open pdf file with plots: `acroread plots/plots.pdf`

Drawing tool also provides tables with chi2 values (p27) and PDF parameters (p28) from specified directories side by side:

| Dataset                                       | ZM-VFNS   | RT-FAST   | ACOT      |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| NC cross section HERA-I H1-ZEUS combined e-p. | 106 / 145 | 107 / 145 | 108 / 145 |
| NC cross section HERA-I H1-ZEUS combined e+p. | 438 / 379 | 419 / 379 | 406 / 379 |
| CC cross section HERA-I H1-ZEUS combined e-p. | 22 / 34   | 20 / 34   | 21 / 34   |
| CC cross section HERA-I H1-ZEUS combined e+p. | 34 / 34   | 29 / 34   | 31 / 34   |
| Correlated $\chi^2$                           | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Log penalty $\chi^2$                          | +0.00     | +0.00     | +0.00     |
| Total $\chi^2$ / dof                          | 599 / 582 | 575 / 582 | 565 / 582 |
| $\chi^2$ p-value                              | 0.30      | 0.57      | 0.69      |

# Results: different hf-schemes



Open pdf file with plots:  
[acoread plots/plots.pdf](#)

PDFs are presented at the starting scale  $Q^2 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$

Differences get smaller with the rise of  $Q^2$

# Cuts on data

Cuts on various kinematic variables can be set in the steering.

Change the Q<sup>2</sup> for NC and CC data: [emacs steering.txt](#)

edit line 174 (NC) and line 187 (CC), save changes: [ctrl+x+s](#)

```
*  
* Process dependent cuts  
  
&Cuts  
  
!----- NC ep -----  
  
! Rule #1: Q2 cuts  
ProcessName(1) = 'NC e+-p'  
Variable(1) = 'Q2'  
CutValueMin(1) = 3.5  
CutValueMax(1) = 1000000.0  
  
! Rule #2: x cuts  
ProcessName(2) = 'NC e+-p'  
Variable(2) = 'x'  
CutValueMin(2) = 0.000001  
CutValueMax(2) = 1.0  
  
!----- CC ep -----  
  
ProcessName(3) = 'CC e+-p'  
Variable(3) = 'Q2'  
CutValueMin(3) = 3.5  
CutValueMax(3) = 1000000.0  
  
ProcessName(4) = 'CC e+-p'  
Variable(4) = 'x'  
CutValueMin(4) = 0.000001  
CutValueMax(4) = 1.0
```

```
*  
* Process dependent cuts  
  
&Cuts  
  
!----- NC ep -----  
  
! Rule #1: Q2 cuts  
ProcessName(1) = 'NC e+-p'  
Variable(1) = 'Q2'  
CutValueMin(1) = 10.  
CutValueMax(1) = 1000000.0  
  
! Rule #2: x cuts  
ProcessName(2) = 'NC e+-p'  
Variable(2) = 'x'  
CutValueMin(2) = 0.000001  
CutValueMax(2) = 1.0  
  
!----- CC ep -----  
  
ProcessName(3) = 'CC e+-p'  
Variable(3) = 'Q2'  
CutValueMin(3) = 10.  
CutValueMax(3) = 1000000.0  
  
ProcessName(4) = 'CC e+-p'  
Variable(4) = 'x'  
CutValueMin(4) = 0.000001  
CutValueMax(4) = 1.0
```

Run the fit:  
[./bin/FitPDF](#)

Copy the fit output:  
[cp -r output output.q2cut](#)

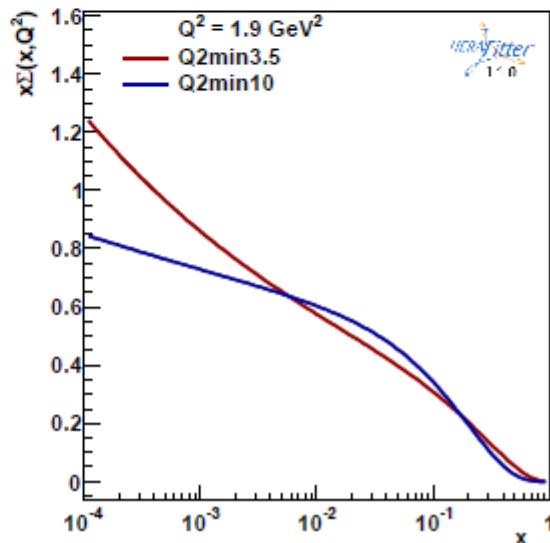
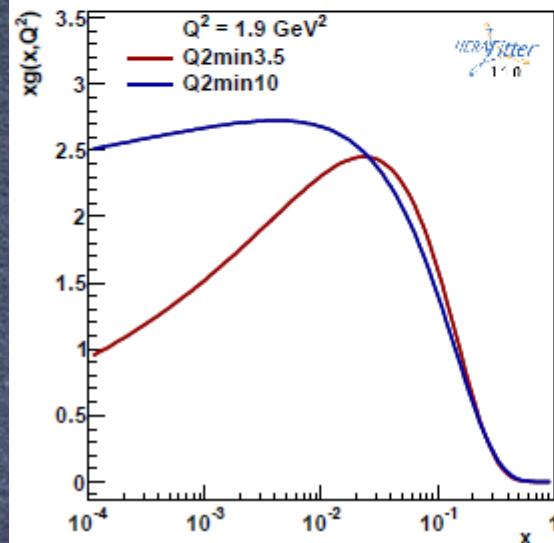
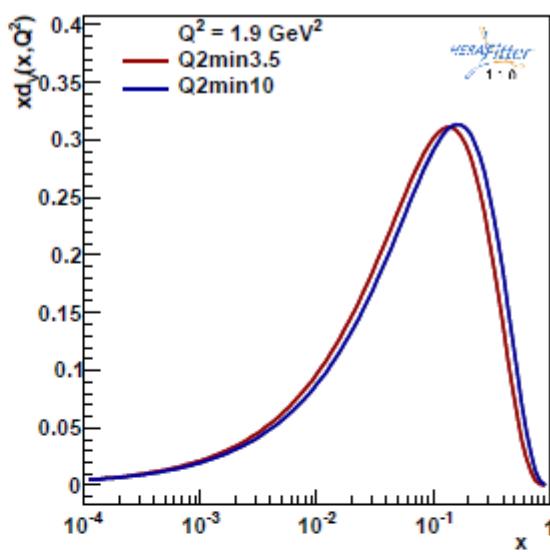
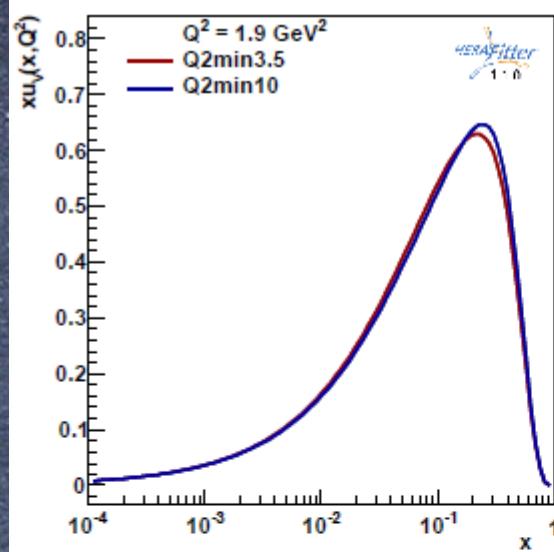
Steering with Q<sup>2</sup> cut is available:  
[pirumov\\_tutorial/steering.txt.q2cut](#)

Output of the fit with Q<sup>2</sup> > 10 cut:  
[pirumov\\_tutorial/output.rtfast.q2cut](#)

# Results of varying $Q^2$ cut

Draw PDFs with different  $Q^2$  cut:

`./bin/DrawPdfs –no-data output.rtfast:'Q2min3.5' output.q2cut:'Q2min10'`



\* If `–no-data` option is specified, only PDFs are plotted

Big difference in low  $x$  gluon  $\rightarrow$  gluon is constrained by low  $Q^2$  data

# Taking into account correlated systematics

Data are reported with their central values and experimental uncertainties.  
Systematic uncertainties can be correlated bin-to-bin and also between measurements.

Going back to basic steering with NC and CC data only:

```
cp pirumov_tutorial/steering.txt.rtfast steering.txt
```

So far when fitting NC and CC data we assumed all systematic uncertainties to be uncorrelated:

```
emacs datafiles/hera/H1ZEUS_CC_e-p_HERA1.0.dat
```

```
! To treat error uncorrelately, then: first is uncor, then the sys_i(i=1,114) -> 115 sources
    !     Bins      x-sec          Errors
ColumnName = 'x','Q2','y','x-section','stat','uncor',110*'uncor',4*'ignore'

! To take into account the correlations then set SystScales to 1. and uncomment below:
! ColumnName = 'x', 'Q2', 'y', 'Sigma',
!             'stat', 'uncor', 'HERA_I_Source_1', 'HERA_I_Source_2', 'HERA_I_Source_3',
!             'ce_6', 'HERA_I_Source_7', 'HERA_I_Source_8', 'HERA_I_Source_9', 'HERA_I_Source_10',

! To treat error uncorrelately, then: first is uncor, then the sys_i(i=1,114) -> 115 sources
    !     Bins      x-sec          Errors
ColumnName = 'x','Q2','y','x-section','stat','uncor',110*'uncor',4*'ignore'

! To take into account the correlations then set SystScales to 1. and uncomment below:
ColumnName = 'x', 'Q2', 'y', 'Sigma',
             'stat', 'uncor', 'HERA_I_Source_1', 'HERA_I_Source_2', 'HERA_I_Source_3',
             'ce_6', 'HERA_I_Source_7', 'HERA_I_Source_8', 'HERA_I_Source_9', 'HERA_I_Source_10',
```

Uncomment  
line 24

Comment  
line 21

\* If the correlation column has the same name in different data files it is also considered correlated between that measurements

# Results: taking correlations into account

Copy already modified data files to save time:

```
./pirumov_tutorial/copy_data.sh
```

Run a fit:

```
./bin/FitPDF
```

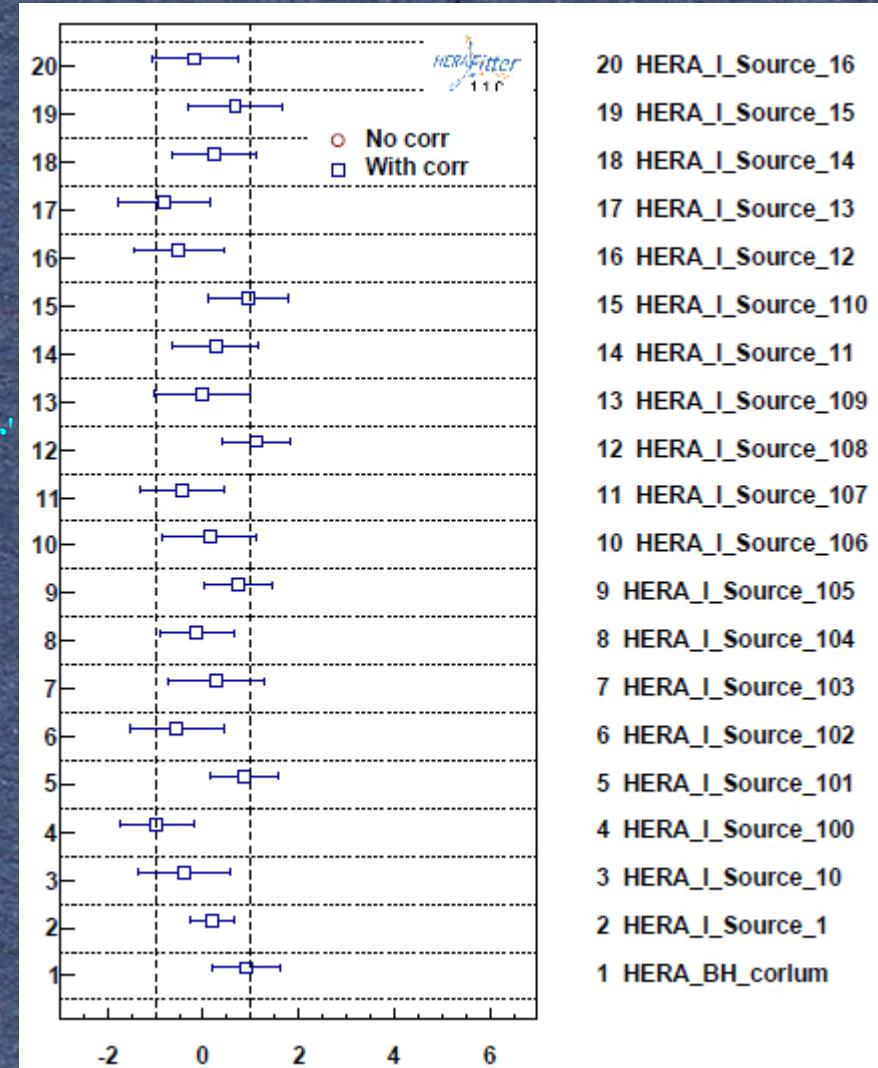
Copy fit results:

```
cp -r output output.corr
```

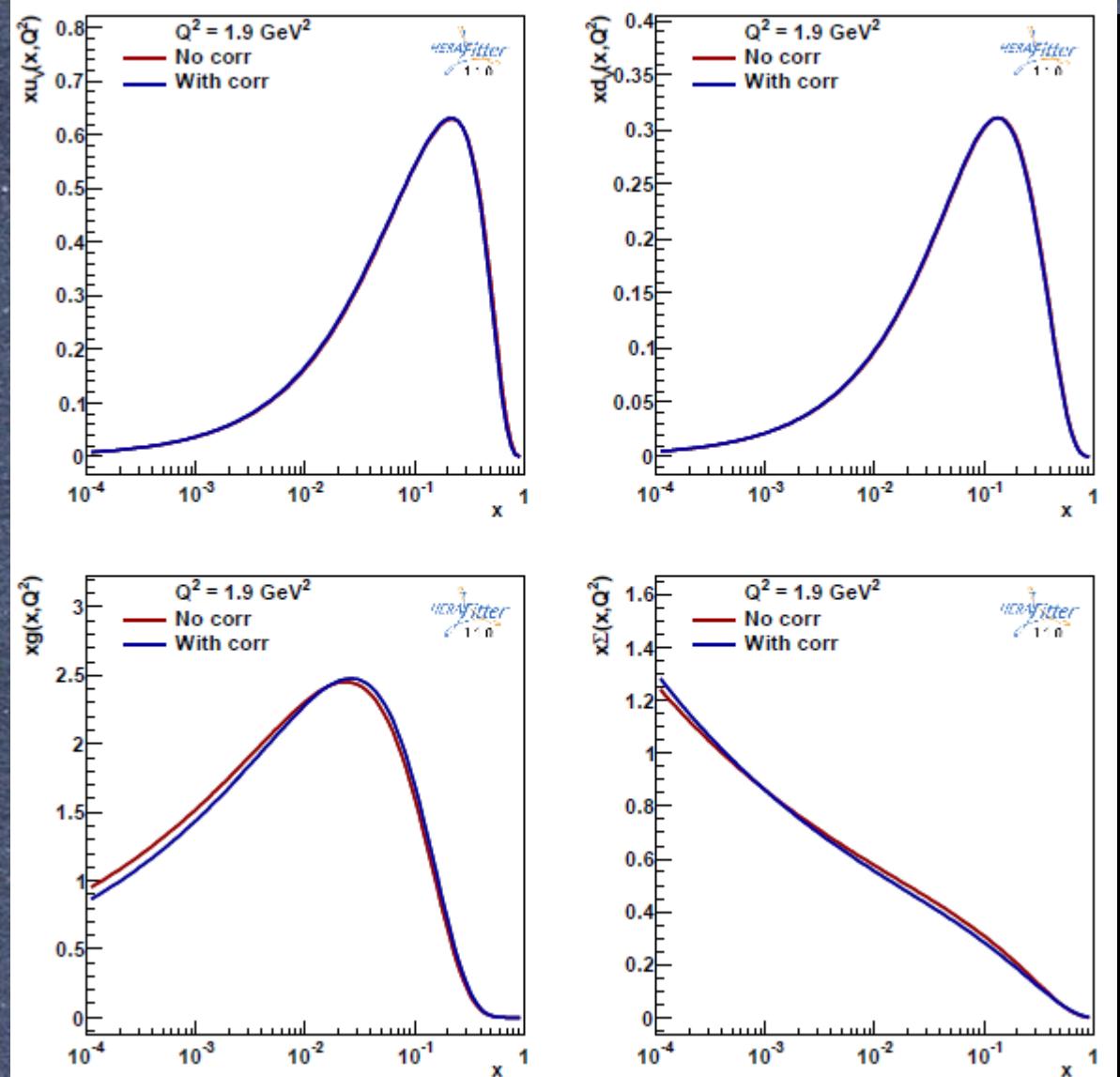
Draw results:

```
./bin/DrawPdfs output.rtfast:'No corr' output.corr:'With corr'
```

Drawing tool also plots shifts due to correlated systematics

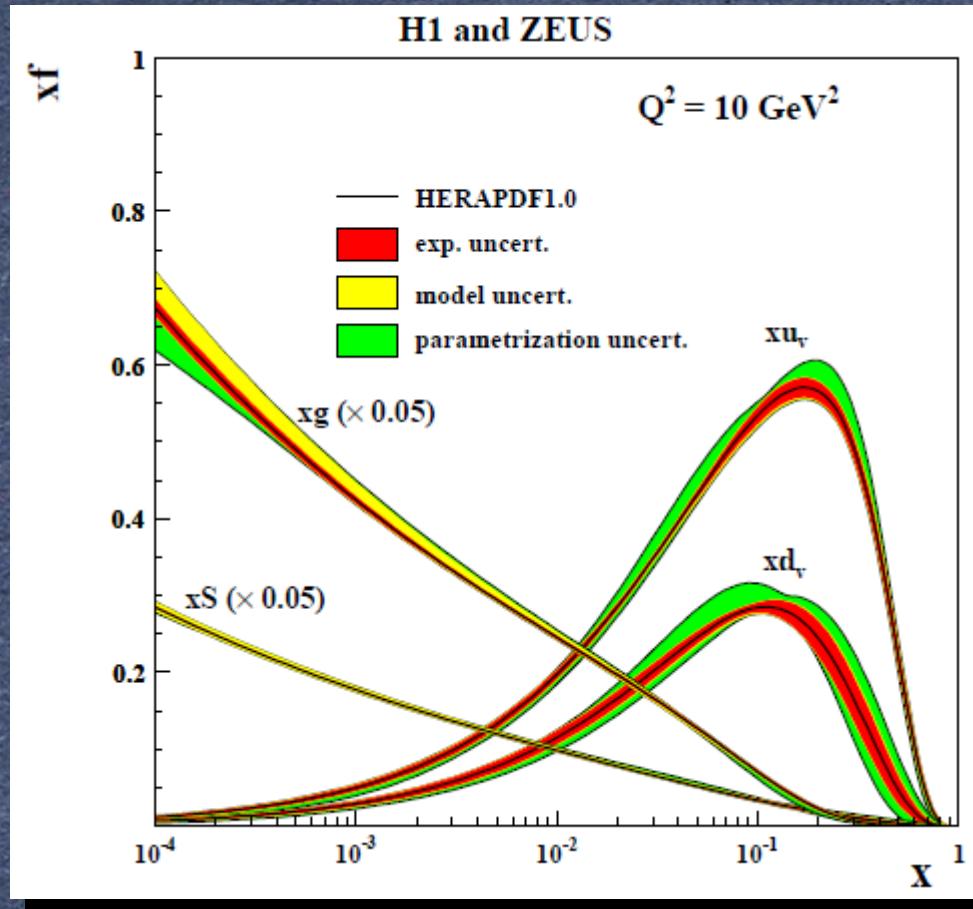


# Results: taking correlations into account



Comparison of PDFs using information on correlated systematics and treating all systematics uncorrelated.

# PDF uncertainties



HERAPDF fits determine valence, sea and gluon PDFs.

The sources of uncertainty include:

- experimental accuracy,
- model or theoretical uncertainties,
- uncertainties due to the choice of the parametrization form for PDFs.

# Experimental uncertainties

```
*  
* Output steering cards  
*  
&Output  
! -- Error bands on parton distributions  
DoBands = False  
  
! -- Q2 values at which the pdfs & errors are done (up to 20)  
Q2VAL = 1.9, 4., 10., 100., 6464, 8317  
  
! How many x points to write (standard = 101)  
OUTNX = 101  
  
! x-range of output (standard = 1E-4 1.0)  
OUTXRANGE = 1E-4, 0.9999  
&End
```

Experimental uncertainties can be propagated to PDFs using *DoBands = True* option.

The method of quantifying PDF uncertainties associated with experimental uncertainties is described in details  
[*Phys.Rev.D65:014011,2001*]

Copying steering:

```
cp -r pirumov_tutorial/steering.txt.bands steering.txt
```

Running the fit:

```
./bin/FitPDF
```

# Plot the bands

Copy fit output:

```
mv output output.bands
```

Make a directory for output:

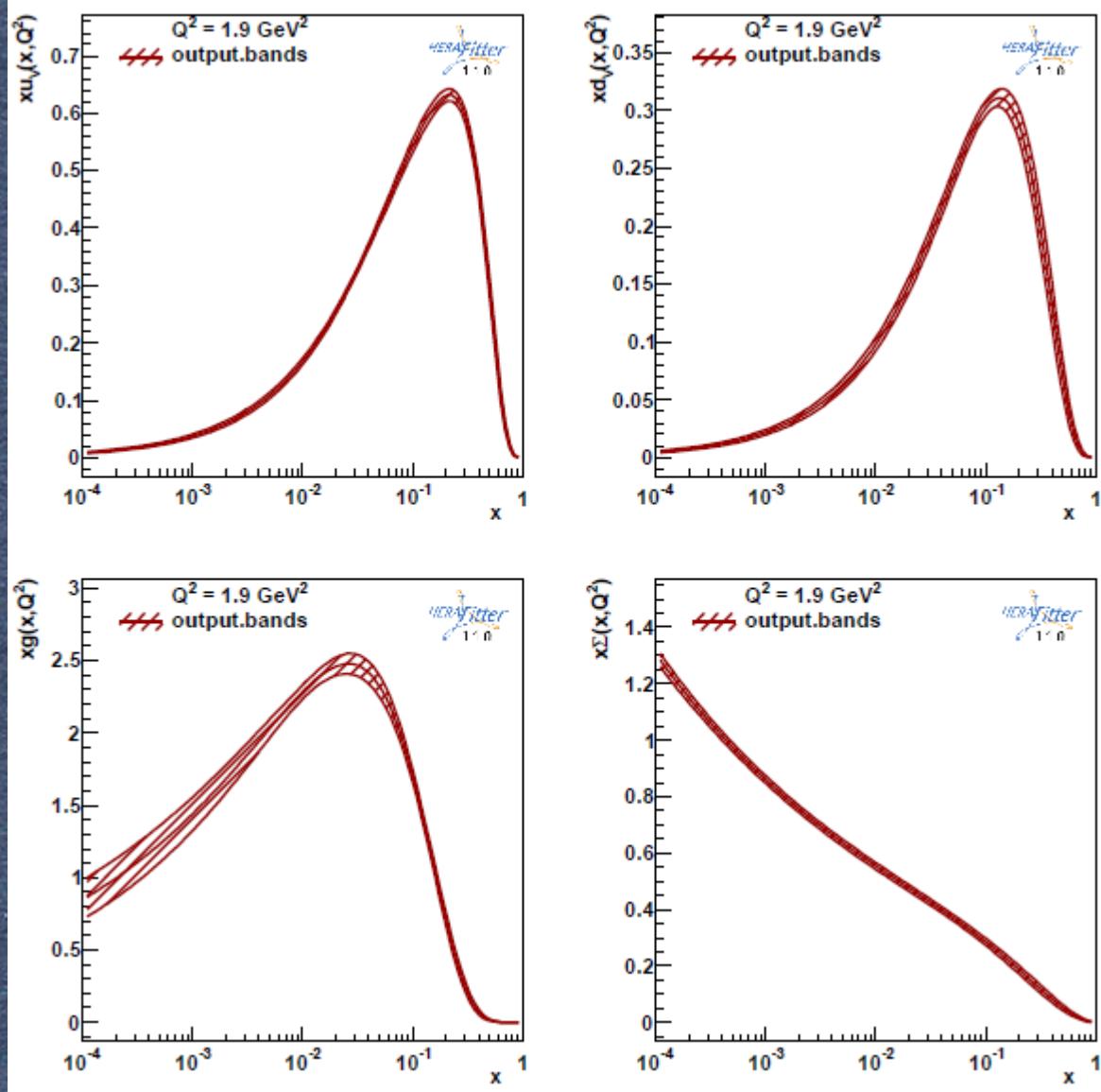
```
mkdir output
```

Plotting with the bands:

```
./bin/DrawPdfs output.bands
```

*NOTE: we used `mv` this time not to carry along the output files of the `DoBands=True` option. A nicer alternative to copy the output directories every time is to specify the name of output directory in the steering:*

```
&OutDir  
! Name of the directory  
OutDirName = 'output'  
&End
```



# Monte Carlo method

Alternative way to propagate experimental uncertainties is to use Toy MC method. The input data are randomly fluctuated around the central values according to their experimental and systematic uncertainties.

```
*  
* (optional) MC errors steering cards  
*  
&MCErrors  
! Activate MC method for error estimation if lRand = True  
lRAND = True      Put to true to activate MC method  
  
! Use data (true, default) or theory (false) for the central values of the MC replica  
lRANDDATA = True  
  
! MC method Seed  
ISeedMC = 1      Change seed to create a different replica  
  
! --- Choose what distribution for the random number generator  
! STATYPE (SYS_TYPE) = 1 gauss  
! STATYPE (SYS_TYPE) = 2 uniform  
! STATYPE (SYS_TYPE) = 3 lognormal  
! STATYPE (SYS_TYPE) = 4 poisson (only for lRANDDATA = False !)  
STATYPE = 1  
SYSTYPE = 1  
&End
```

Copy the steering: cp pirumov\_tutorial/steering.txt.mc\_toys

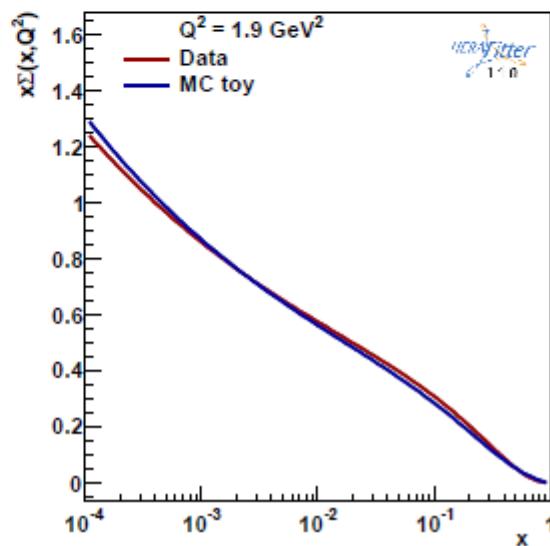
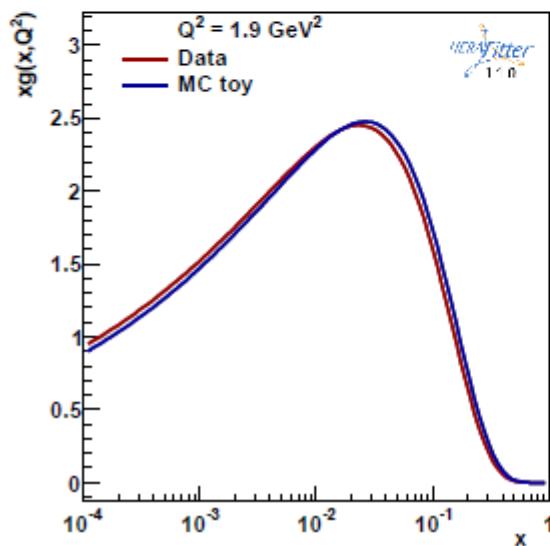
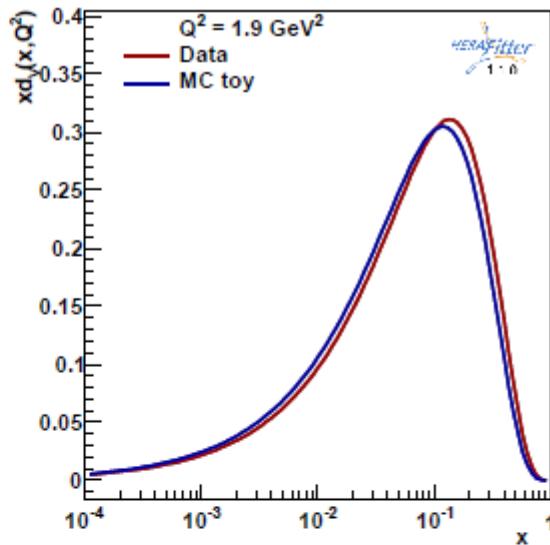
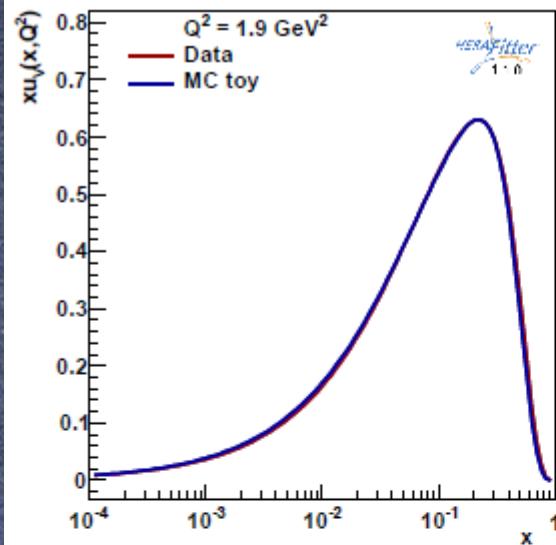
Run the fit: ./bin/FitPDF

Copy fit output: cp -r output output.mc\_toy

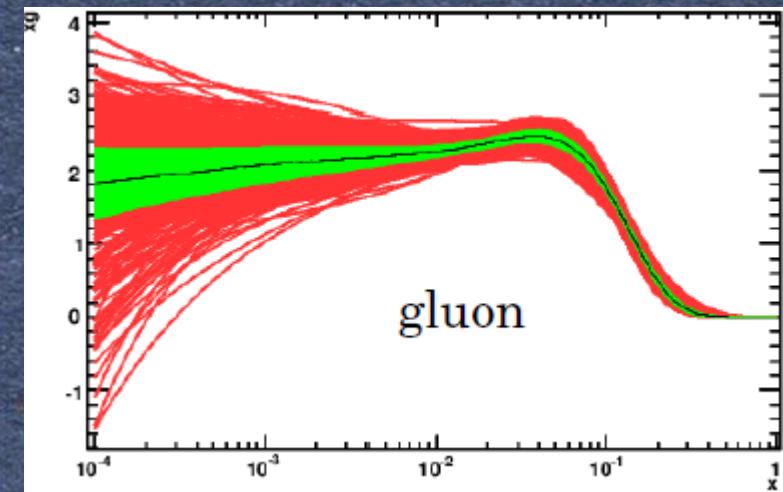
# MC toy vs data

Compare PDFs from fit to data and fit to toy MC:

`./bin/DrawPdfs output.rtfast:'Data' output.mc_toy:'MC toy'`



After preparing a large number of MC toys and fitting them, one can construct the experimental uncertainty by taking RMS of the parton distributions from toy fits:



# Model uncertainties

Model assumptions (such as quark mass, strong coupling constant, etc.) made for fit can be varied to estimate model uncertainties.

Model variations for HERAPDF1.0 is listed in the table:

| Variation               | Standard Value | Lower Limit            | Upper Limit                     |
|-------------------------|----------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| $f_s$                   | 0.31           | 0.23                   | 0.38                            |
| $m_c$ [GeV]             | 1.4            | 1.35 ( $Q_0^2 = 1.8$ ) | 1.65                            |
| $m_b$ [GeV]             | 4.75           | 4.3                    | 5.0                             |
| $Q_{min}^2$ [GeV $^2$ ] | 3.5            | 2.5                    | 5.0                             |
| $Q_0^2$ [GeV $^2$ ]     | 1.9            | 1.5 ( $f_s = 0.29$ )   | 2.5 ( $m_c = 1.6, f_s = 0.34$ ) |

Quark masses are defined in *ewparam.txt*.

`pirumov_tutorial/ewparam.txt.mb_var` file can be used as an input to the fit instead of standard ew-card as an example of mb variation.

# Parametrization uncertainty

In case of HERAPDF sets, parton distributions are parametrized using the following functional form:

$$xf(x) = Ax^B(1 - x)^C P_i(x),$$

The functional form for the central HERAPDF1.0 set (see Ringaile's talk) has 10 free parameters.

The parametrization uncertainties in case of HERAPDF sets are estimated by adding free parameter to the central functional form one at a time and performing a fit.

An envelope is constructed from largest deviations of the new fits from the central one, forming parametrization uncertainty.

This can be technically done by modifying minuit.in.txt, releasing one of the parameters:

|    |         |          |          |
|----|---------|----------|----------|
| 1  | 'Ag'    | 0.0000   | 0.       |
| 2  | 'Bg'    | 0.213846 | 0.010000 |
| 3  | 'Cg'    | 9.013846 | 0.500000 |
| 4  | 'Dg'    | 0.0000   | 0.       |
| 5  | 'Eg'    | 0.0000   | 0.       |
| 7  | 'Aprig' | 0.0000   | 0.       |
| 8  | 'Bprig' | 0.0000   | 0.       |
| 9  | 'Cprig' | 0.0000   | 0.       |
| 11 | 'Auv'   | 0.0000   | 0.       |
| 12 | 'Buv'   | 0.665589 | 0.010000 |
| 13 | 'Cuv'   | 4.652237 | 0.500000 |
| 14 | 'Duv'   | 0.0000   | 0.       |

E.g. set the step  
for Dg parameter  
different from 0

# Adding new data: H1 jets

Adding H1 jet data:

```
cp tutorial/steering.txt.jet_data steering.txt
```

```
* Namelist to control input data
*
&InFiles
  ! Number of input files
  NInputFiles = 5 ← Increase number of input files

  ! Input files:
  InputFileNames(1) = 'datafiles/hera/H1ZEUS_NC_e-p_HERA1.0.dat'
  InputFileNames(2) = 'datafiles/hera/H1ZEUS_NC_e+p_HERA1.0.dat'
  InputFileNames(3) = 'datafiles/hera/H1ZEUS_CC_e-p_HERA1.0.dat'
  InputFileNames(4) = 'datafiles/hera/H1ZEUS_CC_e+p_HERA1.0.dat'
  InputFileNames(5) = 'datafiles/hera/H1_NormInclJets_HighQ2_99-07.dat' ← Add data file

&End

&InCorr
  ! Number of correlation (statistical, systematical or full) files
  NCorrFiles = 1 ← Add correlation matrix file

  ! Correlation files:
  CorrFileNames(1) = 'datafiles/hera/H1_NormInclJets_HighQ2_99-07____H1_NormInclJets_HighQ2_99-07.corr'
&End
```

H1 jet data provides additional information on statistical correlations (more details later):  
datafiles/hera/H1\_NormInclJets\_HighQ2\_99-07\_\_\_\_H1\_NormInclJets\_HighQ2\_99-07.corr

# Jets and alpha\_s

Jet cross sections are sensitive to alpha\_s, let's try to fit it also:

emacs steering.txt

Modify line 142 :

Set *step* value that  
corresponds to alphas to 0.01

```
* Add extra to minuit parameters. These MUST include alpha_S and fs
*
&ExtraMinimisationParameters
  name  = 'alphas',    'fs',    'fcharm'
  value =  0.1176 ,   0.31,      0.
  step  = 0.01 ,   0.0 ,      0.      ! set to 0 to avoid minimisation
&End
```

We will also need FastNLO theory table (technique will be discussed by Daniel Britzger):

cp tutorial/theoryfiles/fnh5401\_I818707.tab theoryfiles/

Run the fit:

./bin/FitPDF

# Correlation matrix

H1 jet data provides additional information on statistical correlations:

datafiles/hera/H1\_NormInclJets\_HighQ2\_99-07\_\_H1\_NormInclJets\_HighQ2\_99-07.corr

```
&StatCorr
  Name1 = 'H1 normalised inclusive jet 99-07 data'
  Name2 = 'H1 normalised inclusive jet 99-07 data'

  NIdColumns1 = 2
  NIdColumns2 = 2

  IdColumns1 = 'q2min','ptmin'
  IdColumns2 = 'q2min','ptmin'

  NCorr = 18

! Matrix Type:
!   'Statistical correlations': Given are correlation factors that need to be applied to statistical errors
!                               needs 'stat' column in data files
!   'Systematic correlations' : Given are correlation factors that need to be applied to systematic errors
!                               needs 'uncor' column in data files
!   'Systematic covariance matrix': Given is a systematic covariance matrix
!   'Full covariance matrix':      Given is a full covariance matrix including stat and syst parts

  MatrixType = 'Statistical correlations'
&End
```

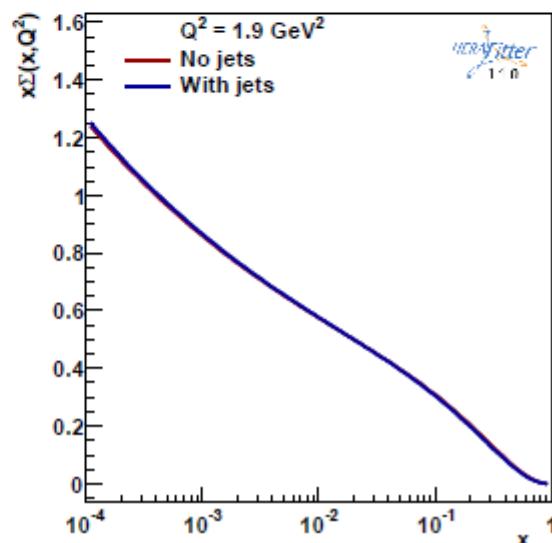
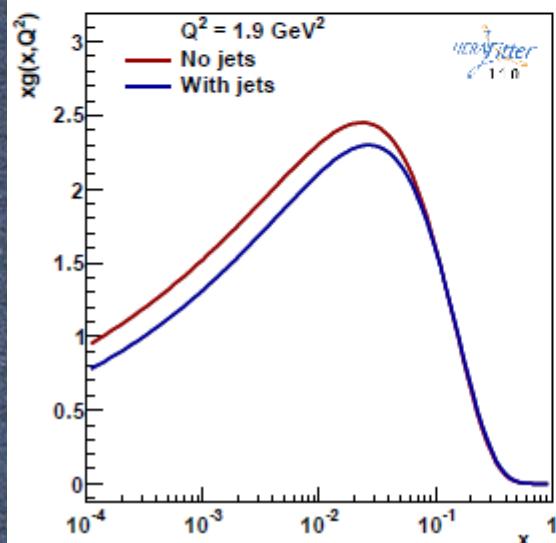
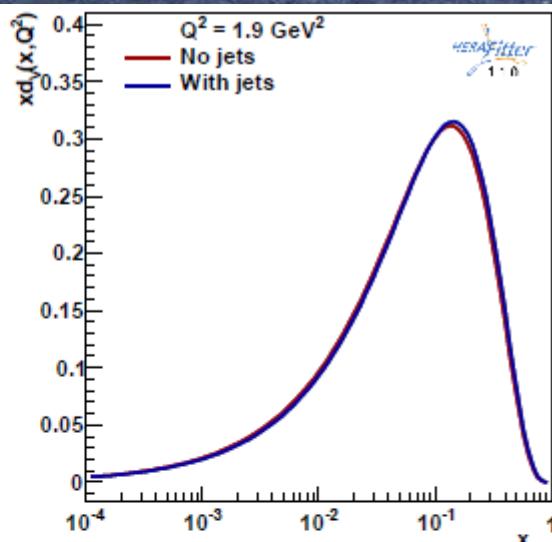
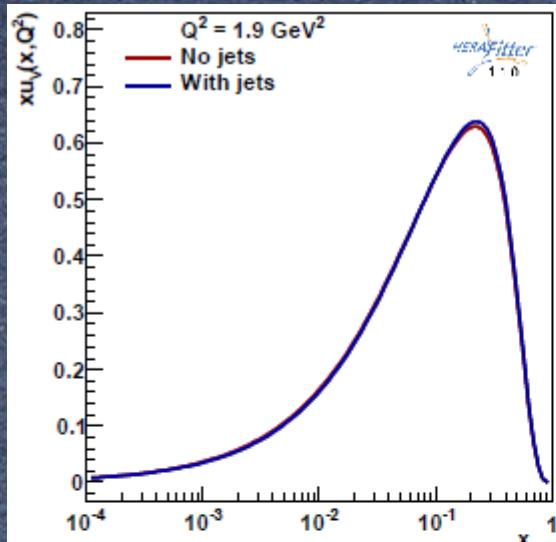
Names should match those of the data files, correlation between which is provided

Type of the correlation matrix

# Results: using jet data

Compare PDFs with and without information from jets:

`./bin/DrawPdfs output.rtfast:'No jets' output.jet_data:'With jets'`



Copying fit output:

`cp -r output output.jet_data`

Looking into minuit output:

`less output.jet_data/minuit.out.txt`

101    alphas    0.11861    0.15140E-02

Fitted value

Uncertainty  
from minuit

# Summary

What we know by now

How to use HERAFitter with DIS data as an example:

- different hf-schemes,
- taking into account correlated uncertainties,
- propagating experimental uncertainties to PDFs
- estimating model and parametrization uncertainties

How to add new data with H1 jets data as an example:

- use correlation information provided as a correlation matrix
- fit parameters other PDFs:  $\alpha_s$

The steerings and outputs for most of the exercises can be found in:

[www.desy.de/~pirumov/pirumov\\_tutorial.tgz](http://www.desy.de/~pirumov/pirumov_tutorial.tgz)