



Hadron Mass Effects on Kaon Multiplicities: HERMES vs. COMPASS

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J. G., J. Ethier, A. Accardi, S. Casper, W. Melnitchouk, JHEP 1509 (2015) 169

J.G & Alberto Accardi, work in progress...

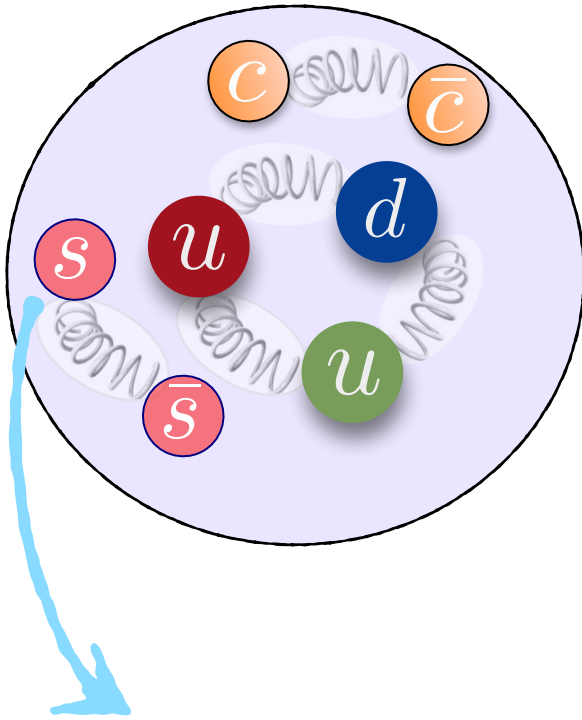
What can we see inside a proton?

Partons:

- 3 “valence quarks” $p = (u\ u\ d)$
- Gluons
- sea quarks: strange, charm, bottom.

Parton (momentum) Distributions Function (PDFs):

- Well determined for the “valence quarks” and gluons.
- Not the case for the sea quarks.



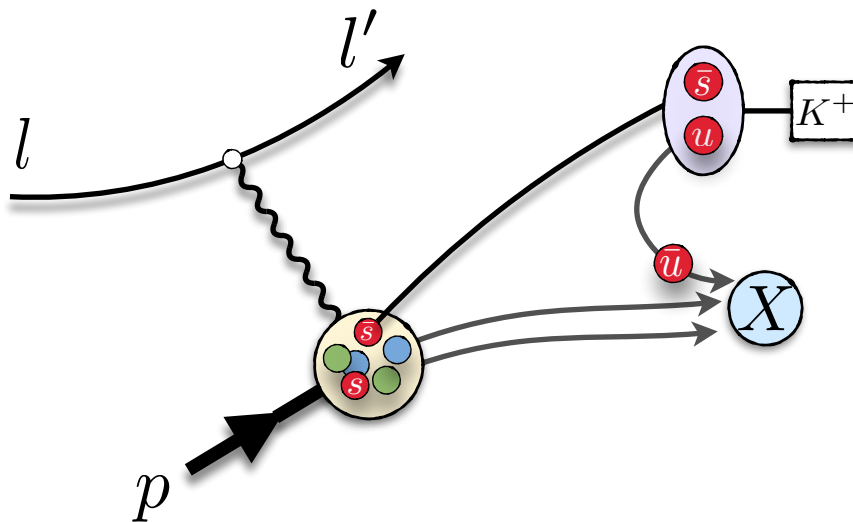
Interested in the s-quark.

Strange quark PDF

How can we access the s-quark PDF? one way ➔ “Tagging” Kaon in Hard Scattering reactions

For example:

- Semi inclusive Deep inelastic scattering (SIDIS): $e^- + p \rightarrow e^- + h + X$



- Kaon contains an s-quark in their valence structure.
- Detect a Kaon: good proxy for a strange quark

$h = K$



Integrated Kaon Multiplicities

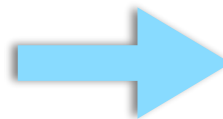
Experimentally
HERMES (COMPASS):

$$M_{exp}^K = \frac{\int_{exp} dQ^2 \int_{0.2}^{0.8(0.85)} \frac{dN^K}{dx_B dQ^2 dz_h} dz_h}{\int_{exp} dQ^2 \frac{dN^e}{dx_B dQ^2}}$$

Parton model Multiplicities (fixed Q^2):

$$M^K(x_B, Q^2) = \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 q(x_B) \int_{0.2}^{0.8(0.85)} D_q^h(z_h) dz_h}{\sum_q e_q^2 q(x_B)} \supset s(x_B) \int D_s^K(z_h) dz_h$$

Comparing these two expressions



Extract the s-quark PDF.

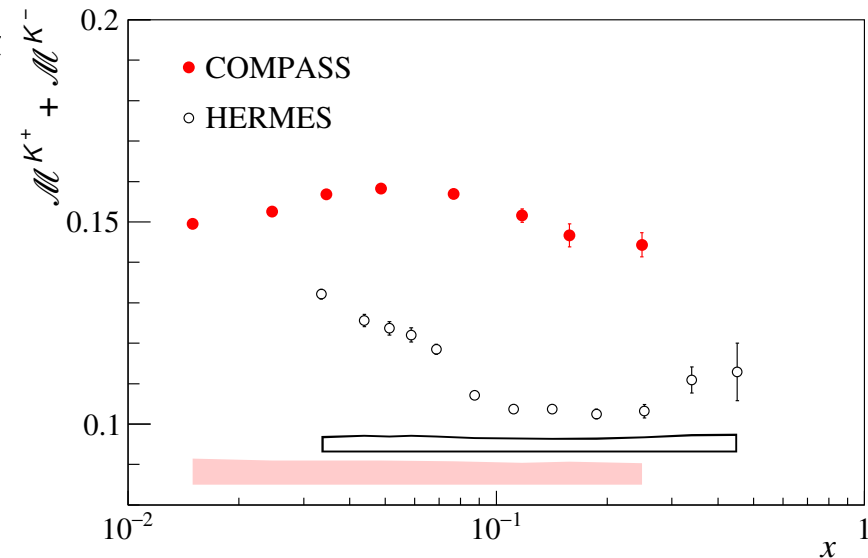
Integrated Kaon Multiplicities: SIDIS on Deuteron

● HERMES:

- Claim very different s-quark shape compared to CTEQ6L.
- Measurements from ATLAS/CMS at LHC also show different s-PDF.
- Strange PDF may not be what we think!

● But COMPASS:

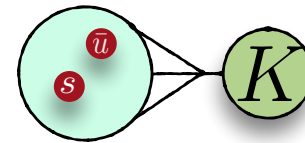
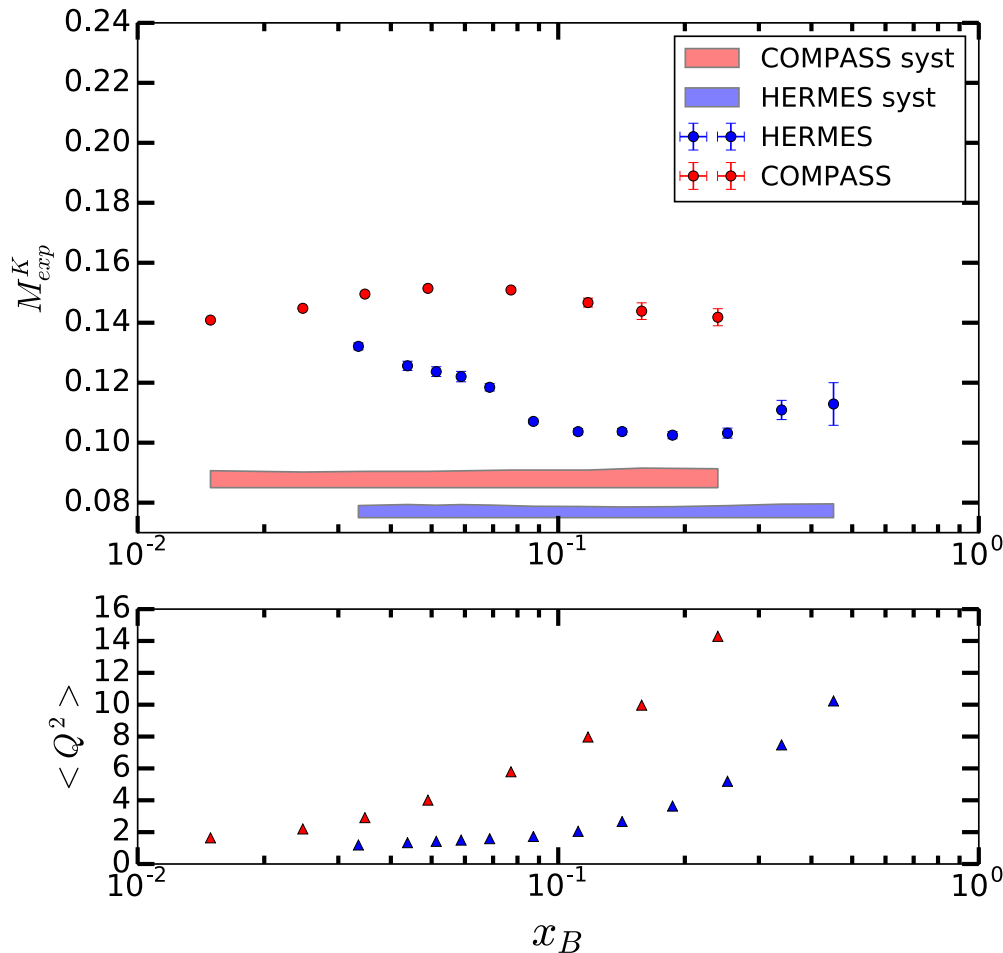
- Different x_B dependence
- COMPASS overall value higher.



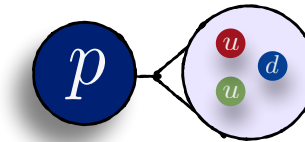
Where does this discrepancy come from?

Hadron Mass Effects

Usually in pQCD, the masses of the Proton and the Kaon (detected hadron) are neglected.



$$m_K \simeq 0.5 \text{ GeV}$$



$$m_p \simeq 1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\overline{Q^2}_C \gtrsim \overline{Q^2}_H \simeq 1 - 10 \text{ GeV}^2$$

Maybe the masses are not so negligible

Hadron Mass Effects

Let's consider an example for Pion Mass effects at JLab.

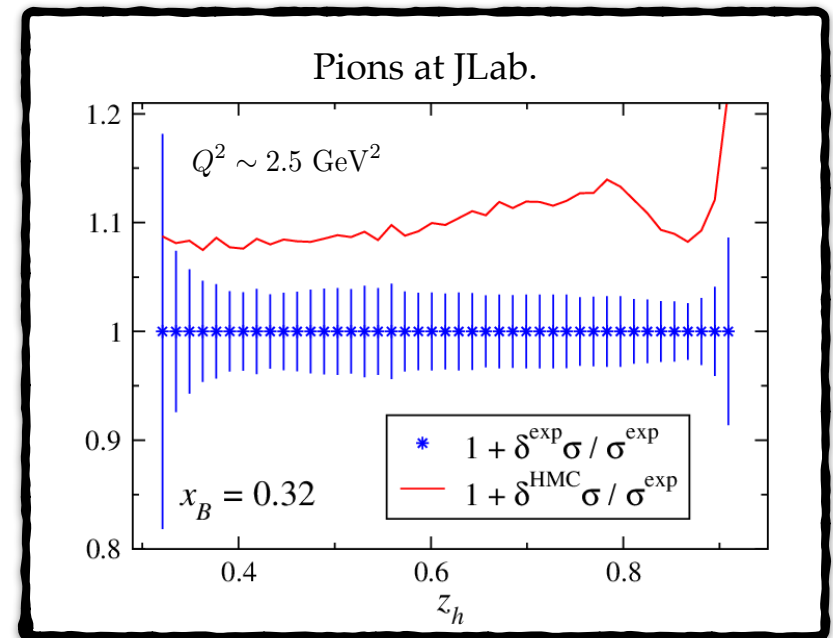
Jefferson Lab experiments:

- Usually low Q^2 .
- $1/Q^2$ corrections have to be controlled.



$O(m^2/Q^2) = \text{Hadron Mass Corrections (HMCs)}$

$$m = M_P, m_\pi$$

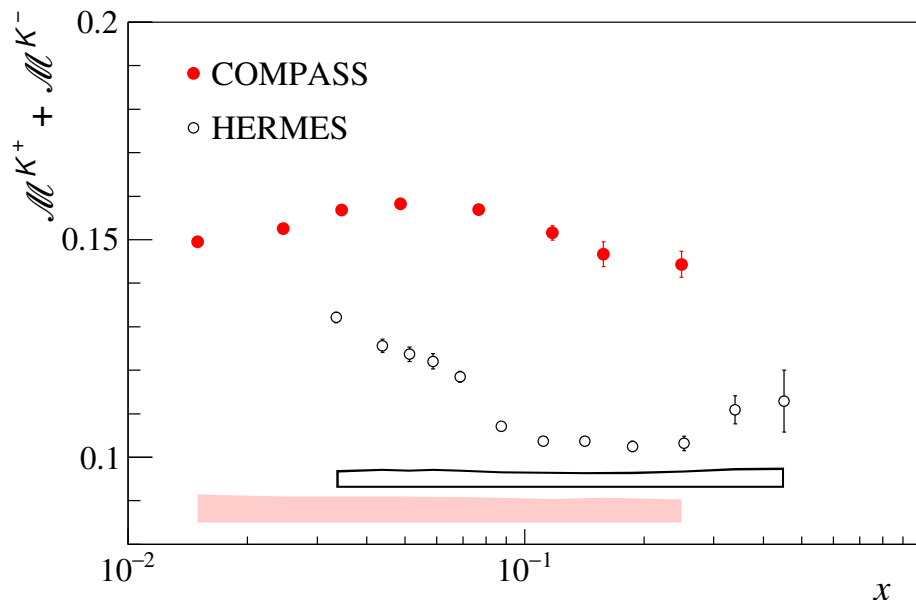


Accardi et al JHEP 0911, 084 (2009)

$$m_\pi \sim 0.14 \text{ GeV}$$

Hadron Mass Effects

Back to Kaons:

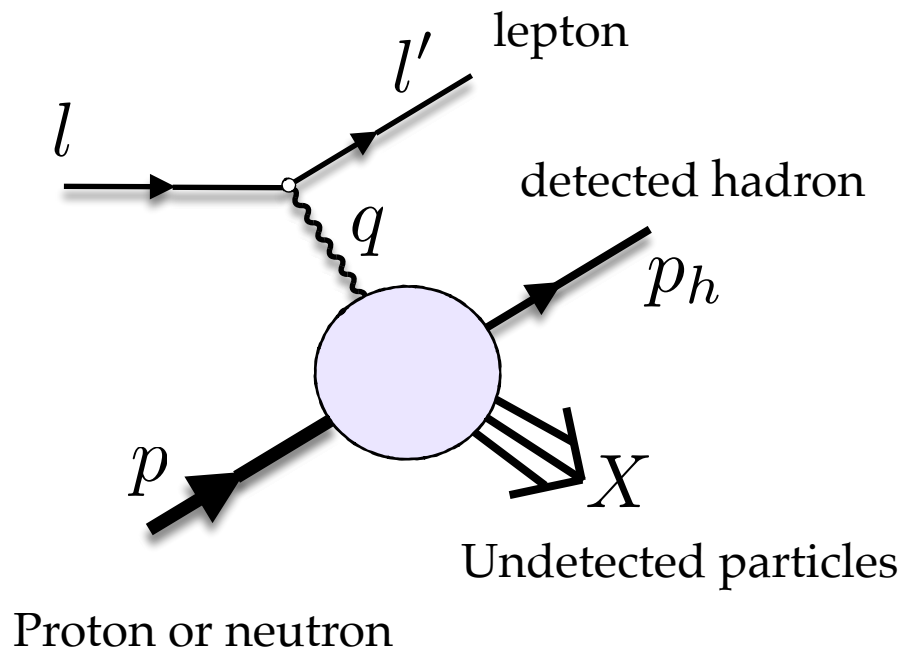


HERMES & COMPASS: relatively low Q^2 , $m_K^2 \sim 12m_\pi^2$



Could the discrepancy be due to m^2/Q^2 effects?

SIDIS Kinematics Variables



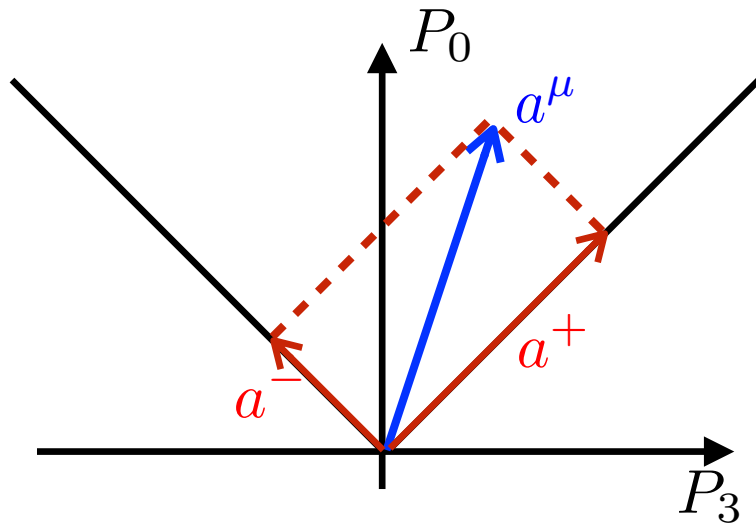
DIS invariants

$$M^2 = p^2 \quad Q^2 = -q^2$$
$$y = \frac{p \cdot q}{p \cdot l} \quad x_B = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q}$$

SIDIS invariants

$$m_h^2 = p_h^2$$
$$z_h = \frac{p_h \cdot p}{p \cdot q}$$

SIDIS: Massive scaling variables



Scaling Variables

Nachtmann:

$$\xi \equiv -\frac{q^+}{p^+} = \frac{2x_B}{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4x_B^2 M^2/Q^2}}$$

Bjorken limit: $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty \quad \xi \rightarrow x_B$

$$a^+ = \frac{a_0 + a_3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$a^- = \frac{a_0 - a_3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

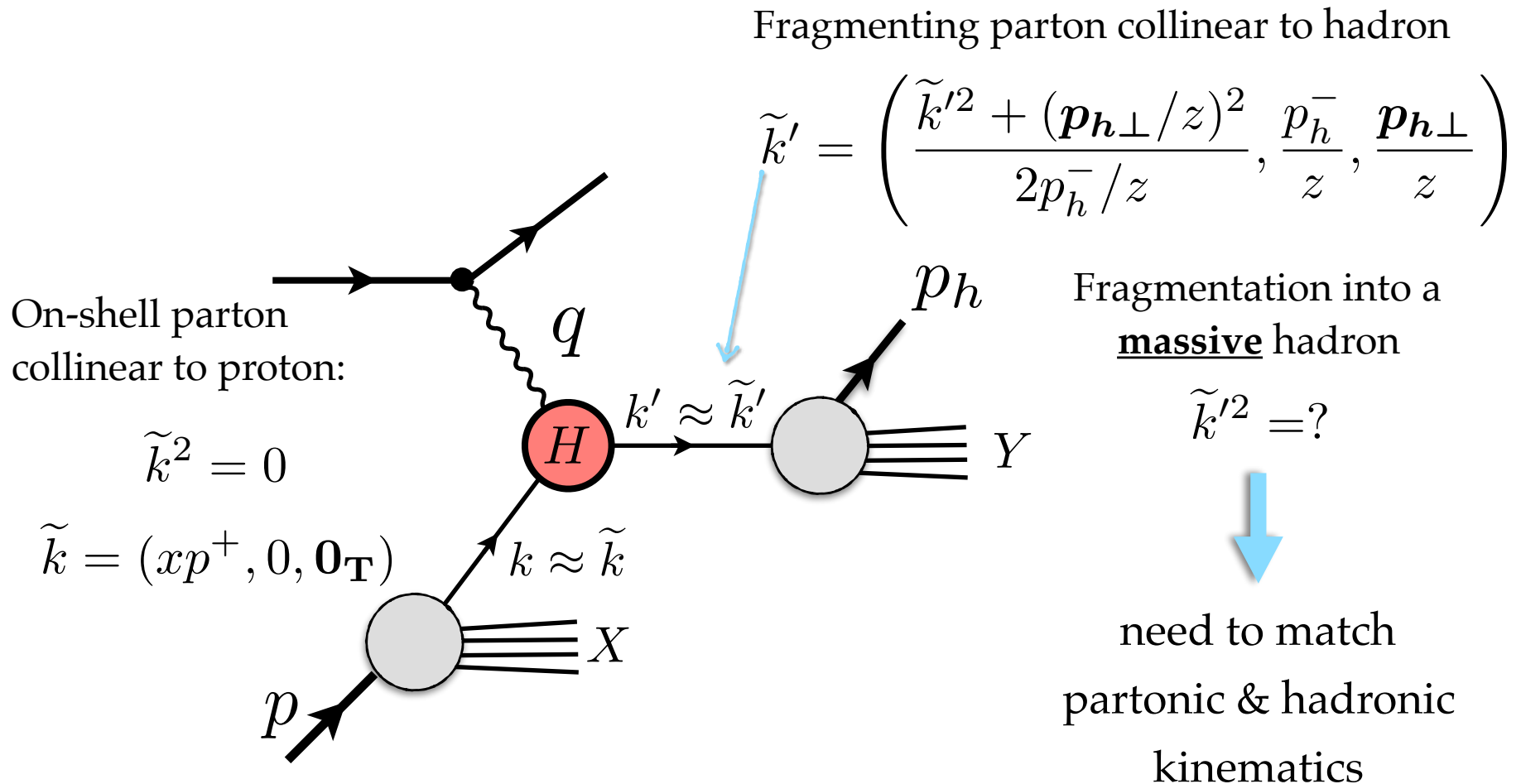
Fragmentation:

$$\zeta_h \equiv \frac{p_h^-}{q^-} = \frac{z_h}{2} \frac{\xi}{x_B} \left(1 + \sqrt{1 - \frac{4x_B^2 M^2 m_h^2}{z_h^2 Q^4}} \right)$$

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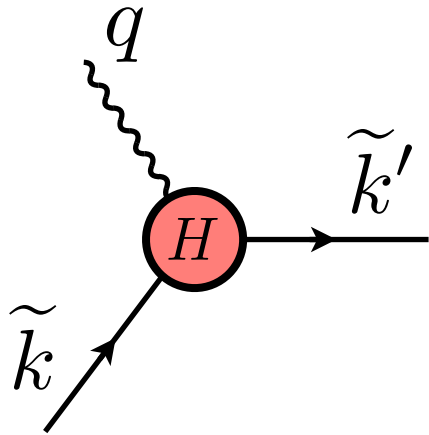
Collinear momenta

- (p,q) frame: p and q are collinear and have zero transverse momentum



Matching Hadronic and Partonic Kinematics at LO

Hard scattering: 4-momentum conservation at LO



$$x = \xi \left(1 + \frac{\tilde{k}'^2}{Q^2} \right)$$

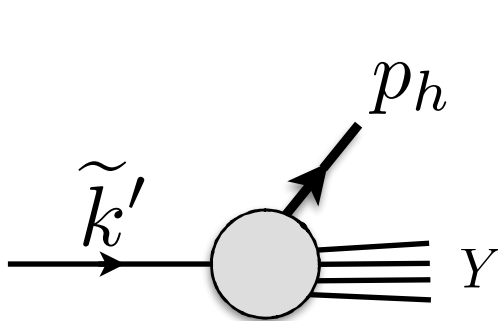
$$z = \zeta_h$$

Bjorken limit:

$$x = x_B$$

$$z = z_h$$

Fragmenting blob: momentum conservation in + direction



$$\tilde{k}'^+ = p_h^+ + Y^+ \geq p_h^+$$

$$\tilde{k}'^2 \geq \frac{m_h^2}{z} \stackrel{\text{LO}}{=} \frac{m_h^2}{\zeta_h}$$

Standard choice:

$$\tilde{k}'^2 = 0$$

Albino et al. Nucl. Phys.
B803 (2008) 42-104

Leading Order (LO) Multiplicities at finite Q^2 .

● With Hadron Masses:

Scale dependent Jacobian

Finite Q^2 scaling variables

$$M^h(x_B) = \frac{\int_{exp.} dQ^2 \int_{0.2}^{0.8(0.85)} J_h(\xi, \zeta_h, Q^2) \sum_q e_q^2 q(\xi_h, Q^2) D_q^h(\zeta_h, Q^2) dz_h}{\int_{exp.} dQ^2 \sum_q e_q^2 q(\xi, Q^2)}$$

$$\xi_h \equiv \xi \left(1 + \frac{m_h^2}{\zeta_h Q^2} \right)$$

Note: Theory integrated over z , Q^2 experimental bins for each x_B .

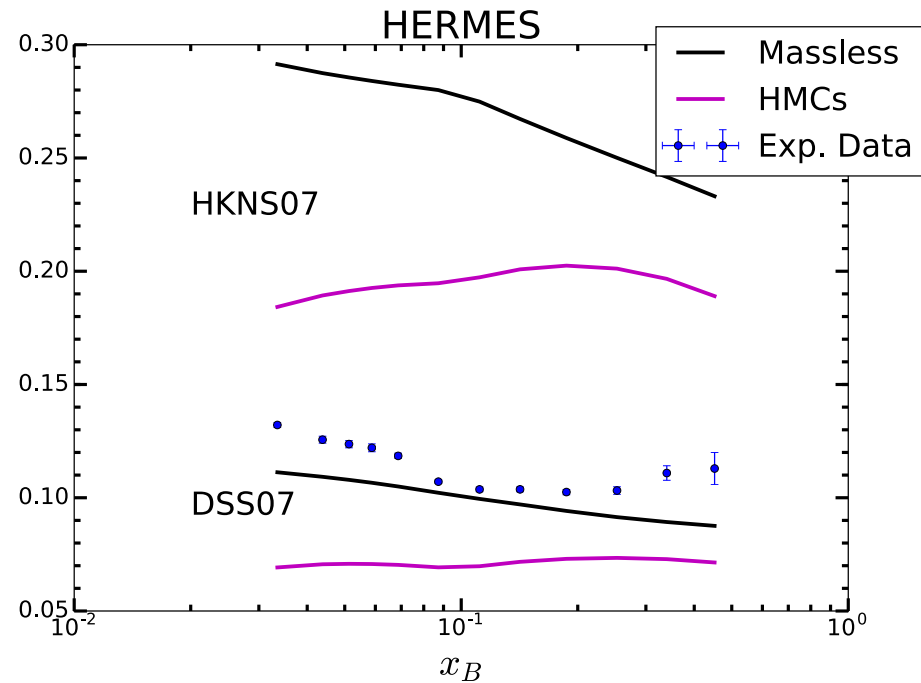
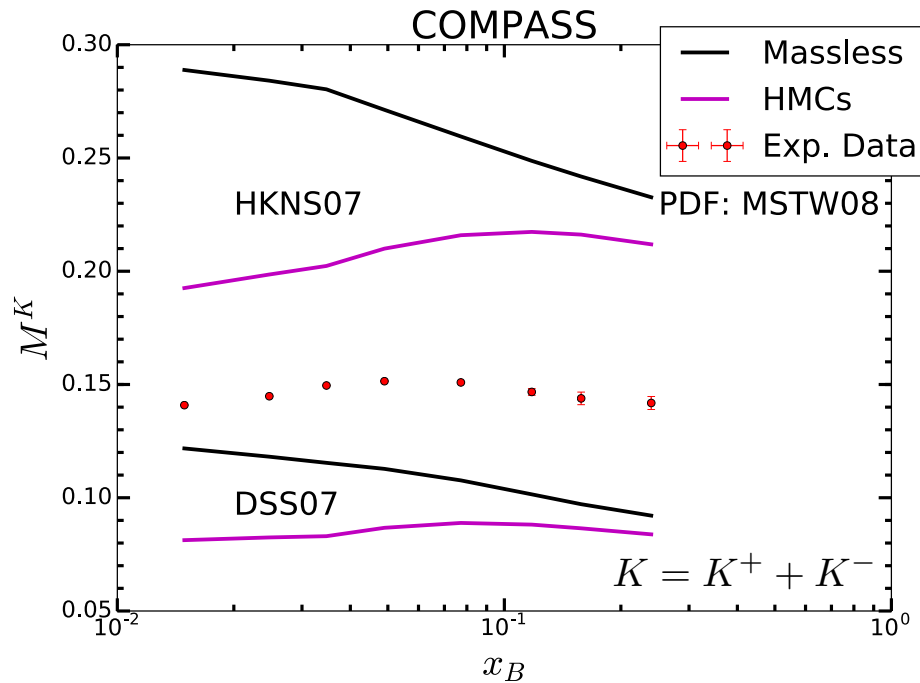
● Bjorken limit: $\left(\frac{M^2}{Q^2}, \frac{m_h^2}{Q^2} \right) \rightarrow 0$

$$M^{h(0)}(x_B) = \frac{\int_{exp.} dQ^2 \sum_q e_q^2 q(x_B, Q^2) \int_{0.2}^{0.8(0.85)} D_q^h(z_h, Q^2) dz_h}{\int_{exp.} dQ^2 \sum_q e_q^2 q(x_B, Q^2)}$$

Parton model definition

$K^+ + K^-$ Multiplicities

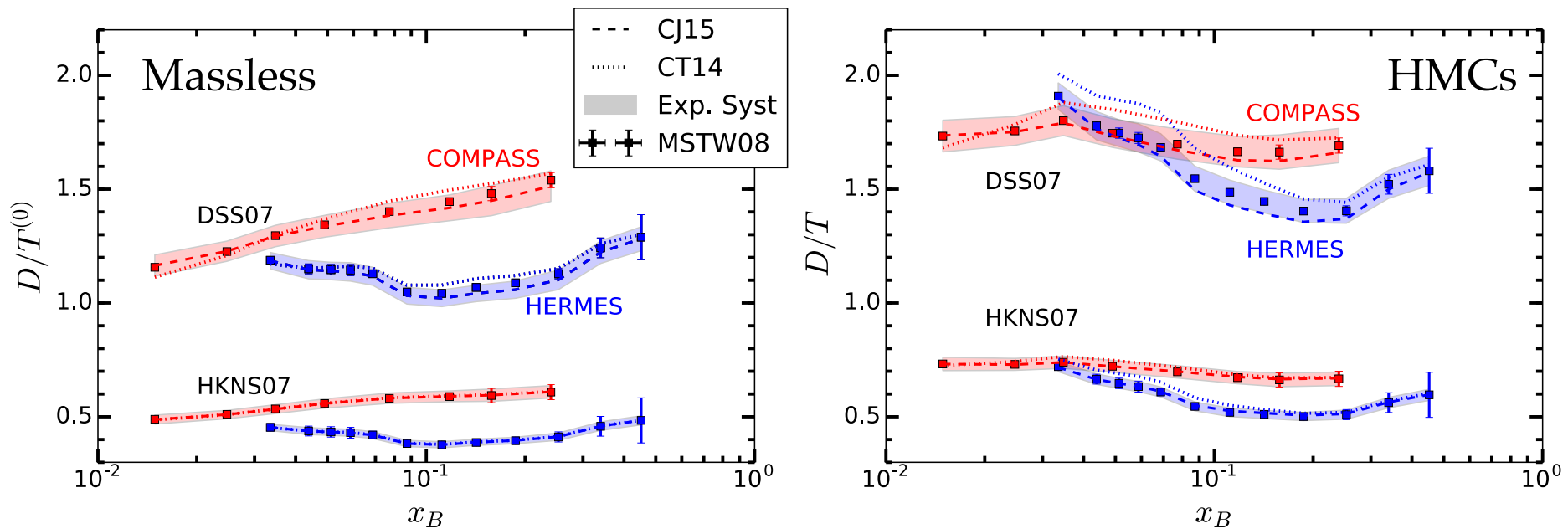
- Data (dots) vs. Theory (lines)



- Kaon FFs poorly known in absolute value
 - Large FFs systematics
- HMCs are large

Data over Theory: $K^+ + K^-$

- D/T ratio allows to compare experiments at different Q^2

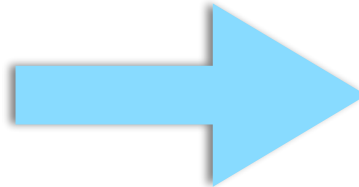


COMPASS vs. HERMES:

- After HMCs:
 - Size discrepancy reduced
 - Slope changes
- COMPASS well described (for overall size)
- Residual tension with HERMES slopes

Comparing HERMES vs. COMPASS data

“Theoretical correction ratios”



Make data comparable

Produce approximate “massless” parton model multiplicities

- HMC ratio

$$R_{HMC}^h = \frac{M^{h(0)}}{M^h}$$

- Evolution ratio (HERMES to COMPASS)

$$R_{evo}^{H \rightarrow C} = \frac{M^{h(0)}(x_B) \Big|_{\text{COMPASS P.S.}}}{M^{h(0)}(x_B) \Big|_{\text{HERMES P.S.}}}$$

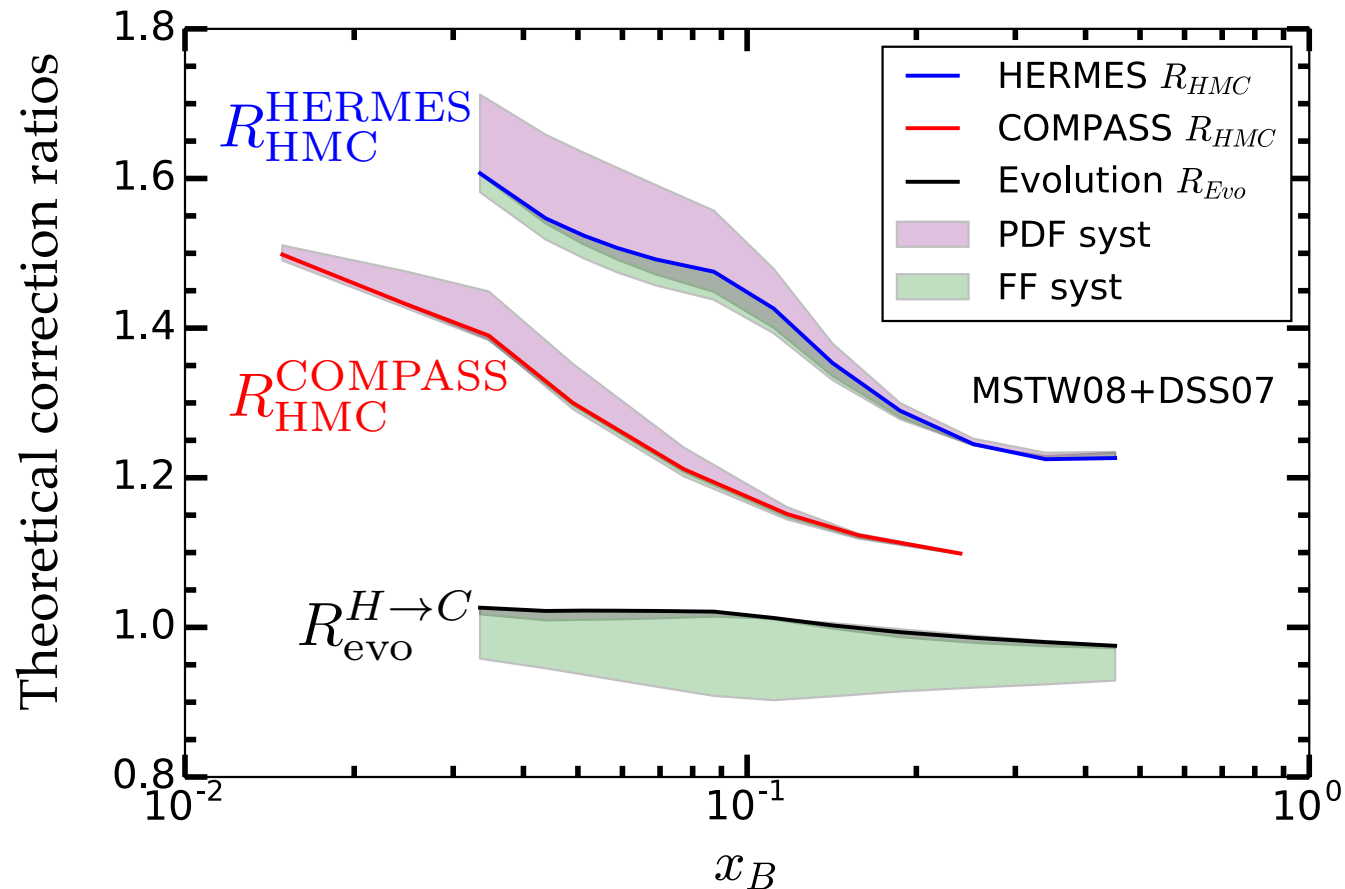
- COMPASS:

$$M_{exp}^{h(0)} \equiv M_{exp}^h \times R_{HMC}^h$$

- HERMES:

$$M_{exp}^{h(0)} \equiv M_{exp}^h \times R_{HMC}^h \times R_{evo}^{H \rightarrow C}$$

Correction ratios

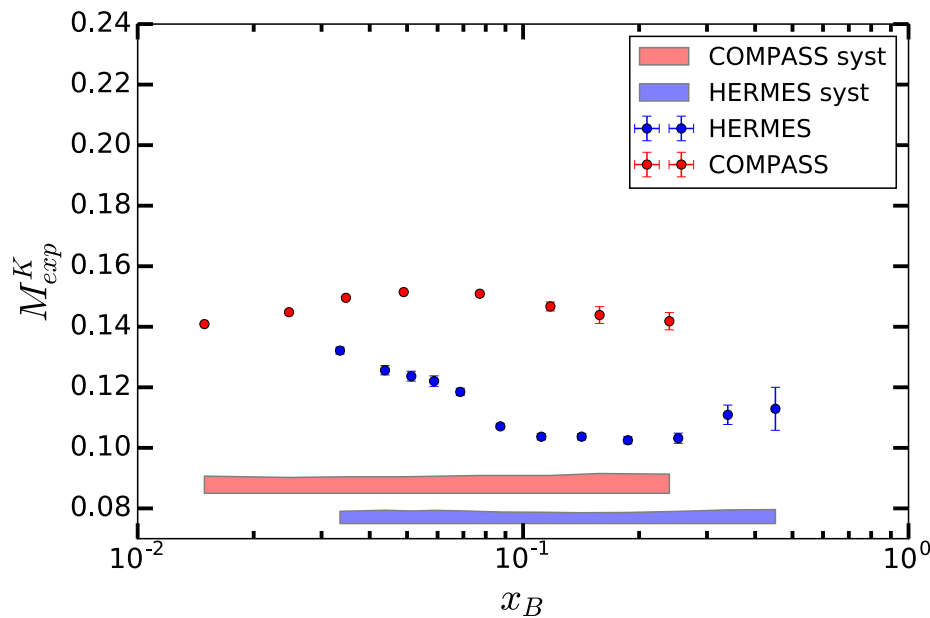


- Hadron mass effects dominant over evolution effects
- At COMPASS smaller HMCs than at HERMES.

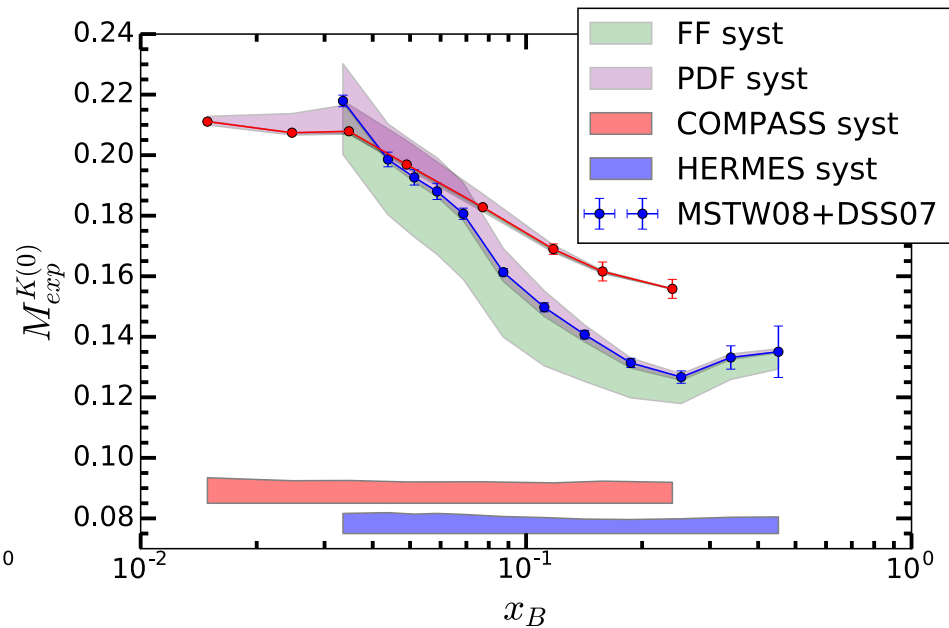
Kaons at HERMES vs. COMPASS

$$K = K^+ + K^-$$

Experimental Data



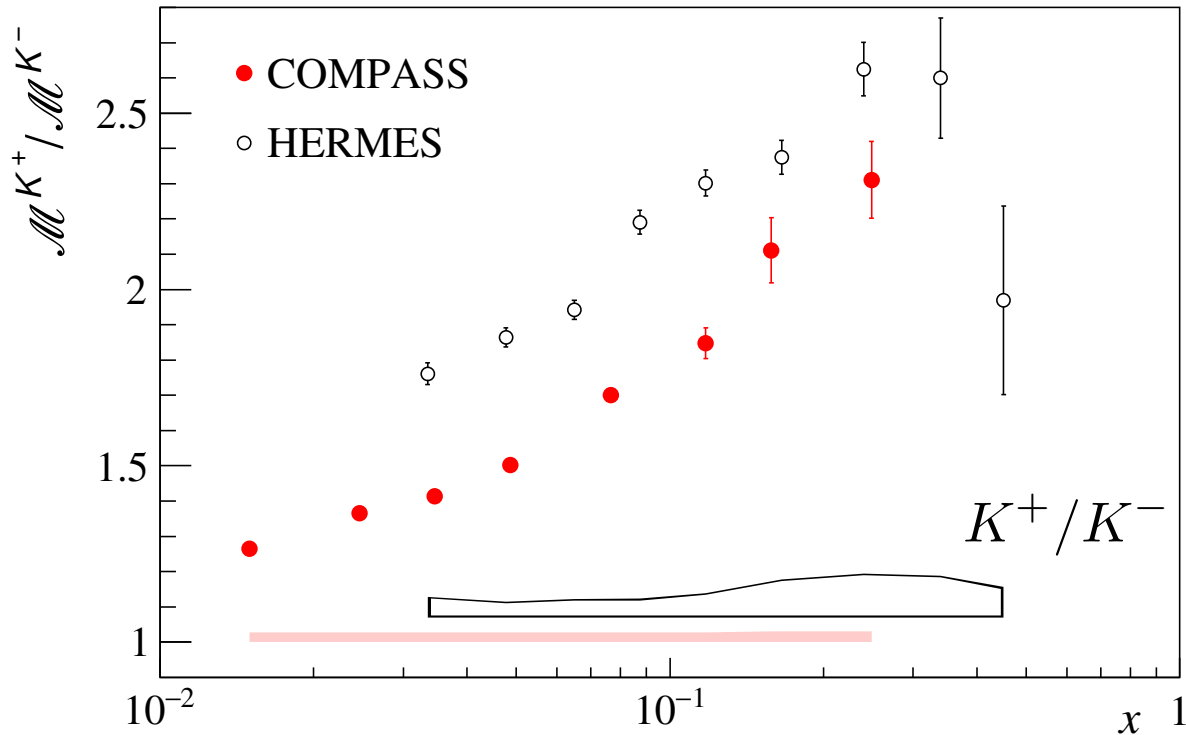
“Massless data” at same Q^2



- Removing HMCs reduce the discrepancy in size.
- Corrections rather stable with respect to FF choice.

Kaon ratios

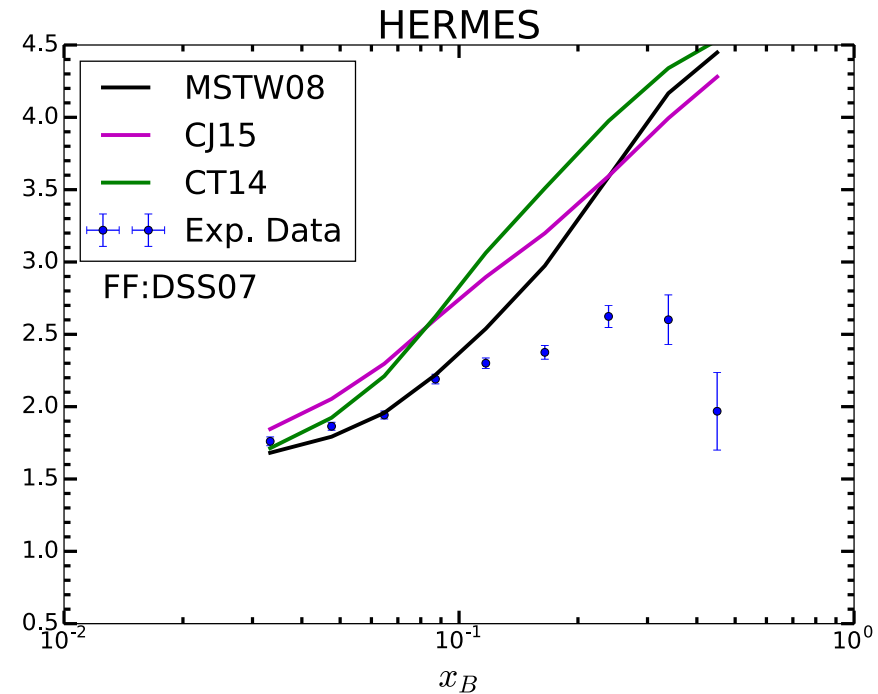
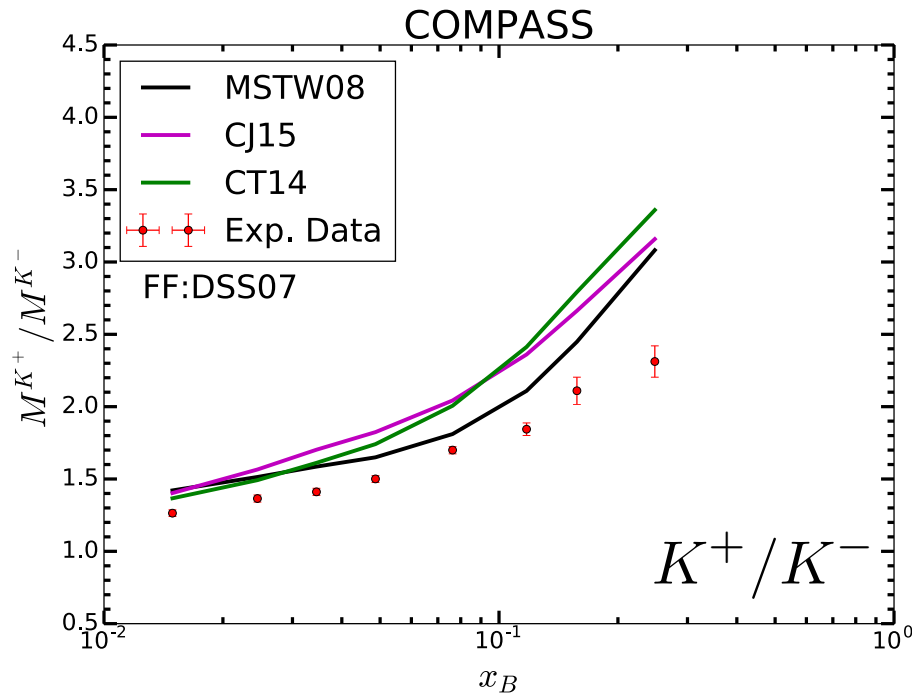
- Ratio reduces experimental systematics.



- Size discrepancy persists
- Slopes are now compatible
 - Except the last two HERMES points.

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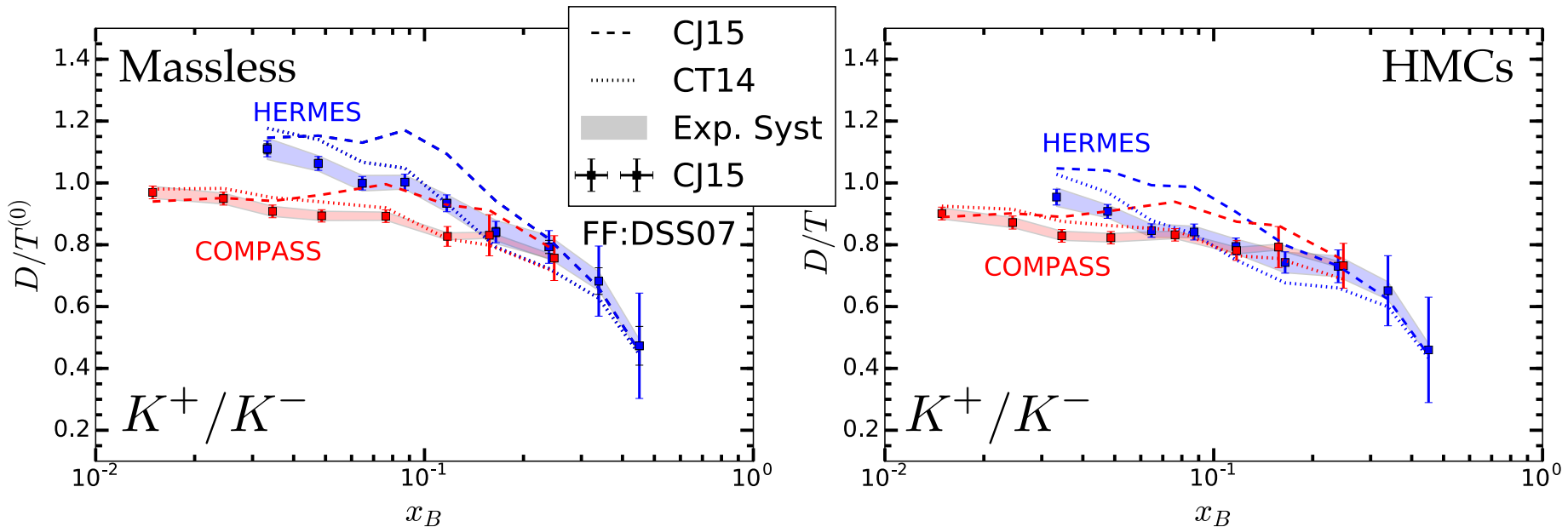
- Data (dots) vs. HMC Theory (lines)



- COMPASS: theory dependence similar to experimental values
- HERMES: less steep than theory and at large-x
- Some PDF systematics, due very likely to s PDF (slopes)
 - need to refit the s quark PDF

Data over Theory: K^+/K^-

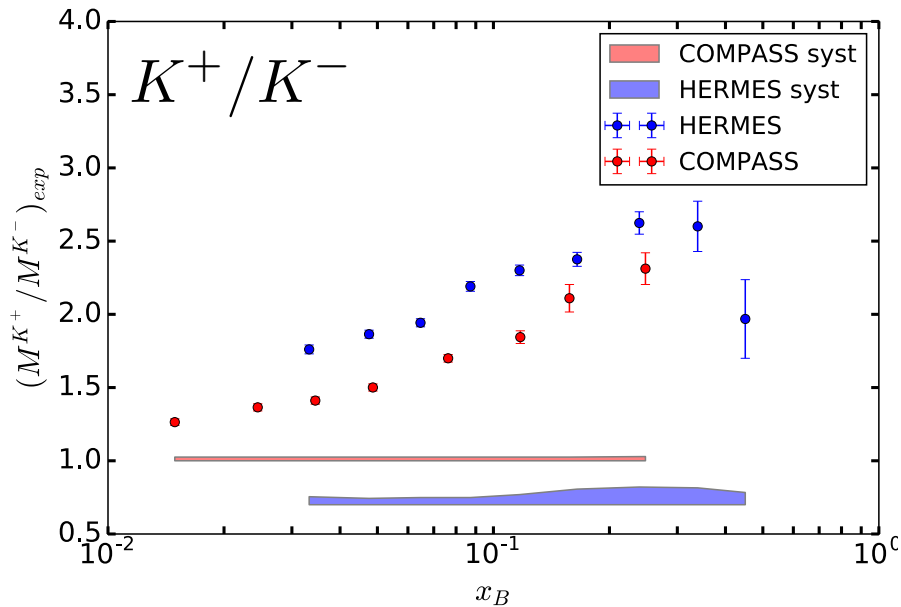
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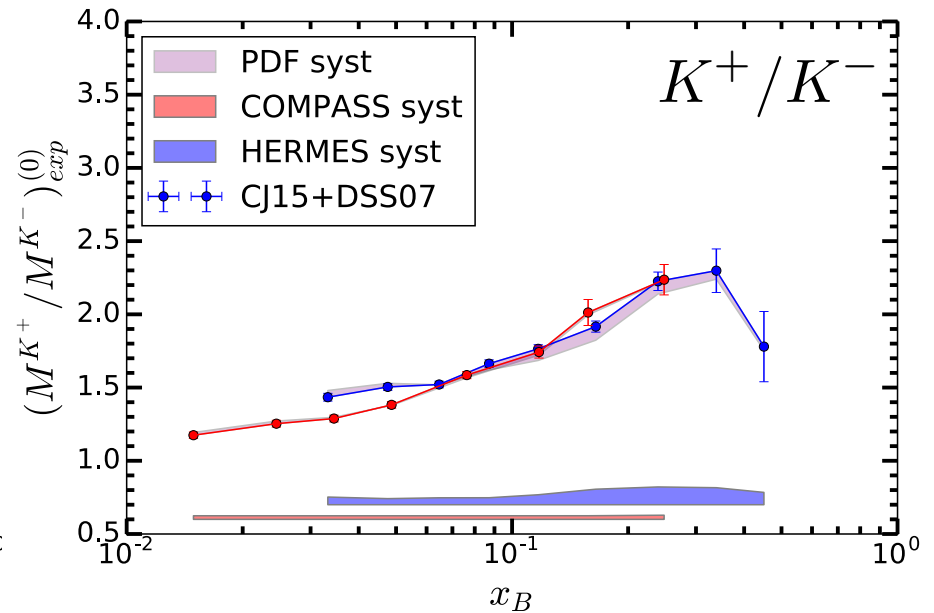
- Ratios show less discrepancy
- HMCs much smaller for ratios (partial cancellation)
- Slopes with HMCs compatible
 - Strange quark in current PDF fits too soft?

Kaon ratios at HERMES vs. COMPASS

Experimental Data



“Massless data” at same Q^2



- Size and slope fully compatible.
- large x bins at HERMES still suspicious.

Coming back to the s-PDF

Can we extract s-quark from SIDIS Kaon multiplicities? Yes, but:

- ▶ Make sure you control the FFs
 - ▶ or fit at the same time with PDFs (e.g. Ethier, Sato, Melnitchouk. arXiv:1705.05889)
- ▶ Include mass corrections
 - ▶ Non negligible even at small-x (because Q^2 is small)
 - ▶ Our proposed scheme with $\tilde{k}'^2 = m_h^2/\zeta_h$ seems able to reconcile HERMES & COMPASS Kaon multiplicities.

Conclusion and outlook.

- HMCs at LO are captured by new scaling variables ξ_h and ζ_h
- HMCs reduce the discrepancy in size between HERMES and COMPASS data for integrated Kaon Multiplicities
- Difference in slopes stills needs to be resolved for $K^+ + K^-$
- No slope problem for ratio K^+ / K^-  systematics in HERMES $K^+ + K^-$?

Future developments:

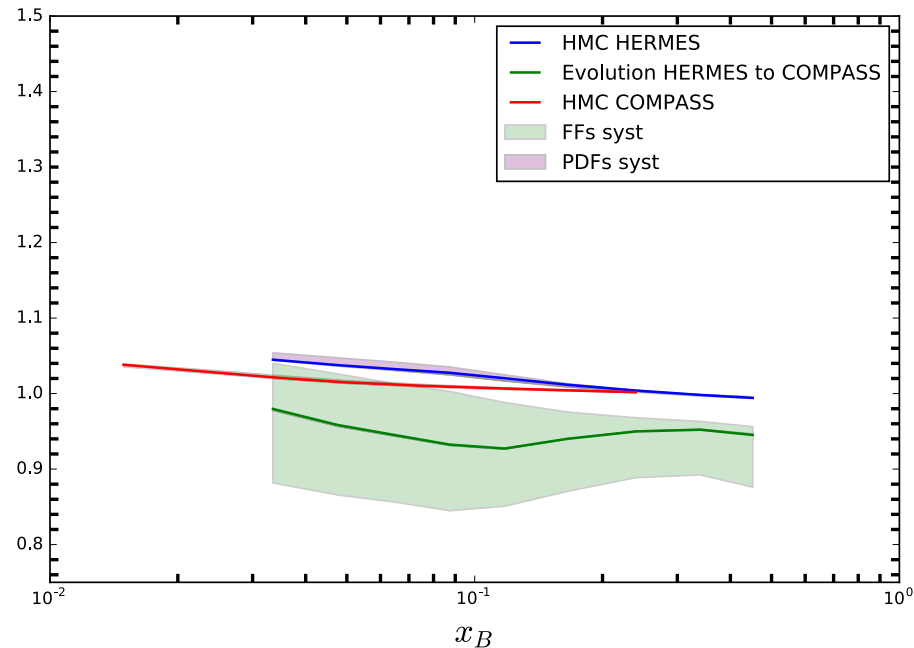
- Include nuclear corrections (large x_B behavior?)
- Prove factorization at NLO with $k'^2 \neq 0$.
- Use the multiplicity data in new fits of FFs with HMC corrected theory

Thank you!

Backup slides

Pions at HERMES vs. COMPASS

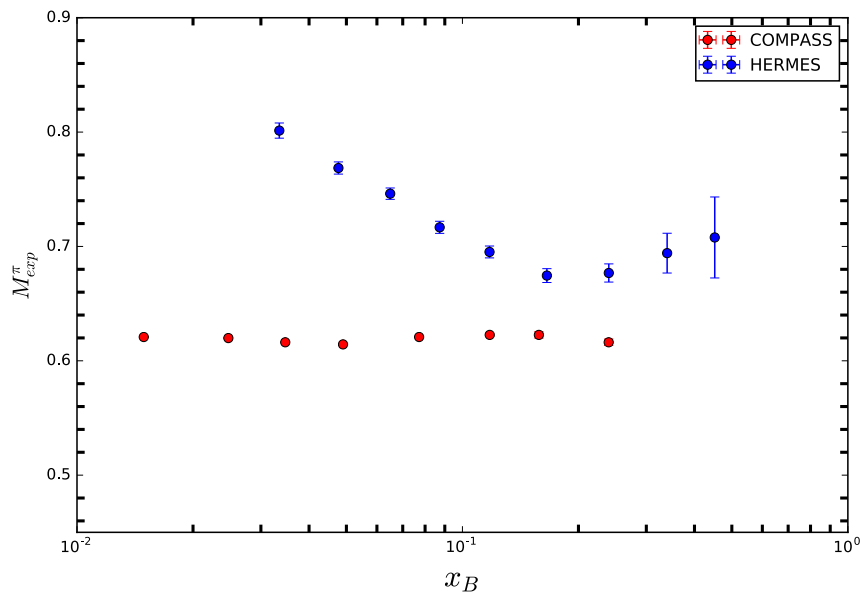
- HMC ratios: HERMES (blue line), COMPASS (red line)
- Evolution ratio (green line)
- Systematic theoretical uncertainties: (FFs, PDFs)



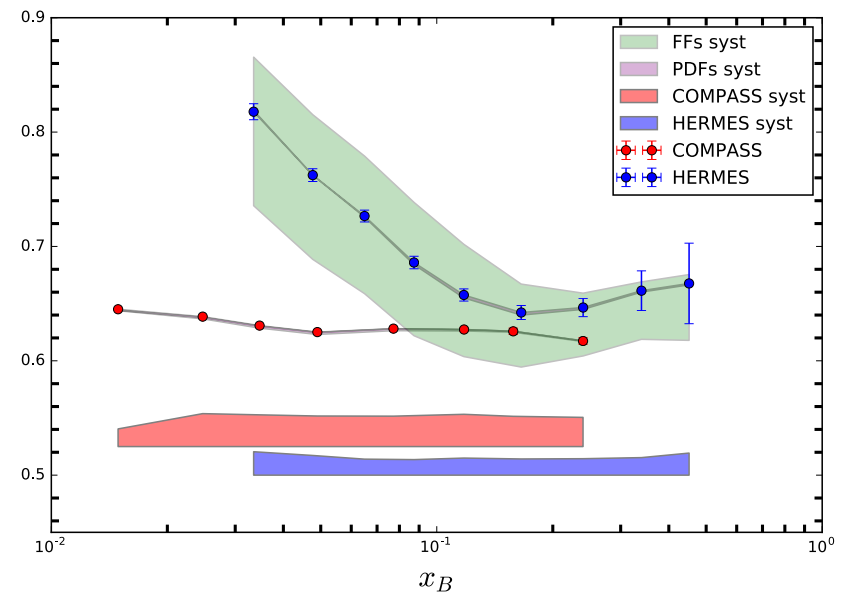
- HMCs much smaller than for Kaons.
- Comparable to evolution effects.

Pions at HERMES vs. COMPASS

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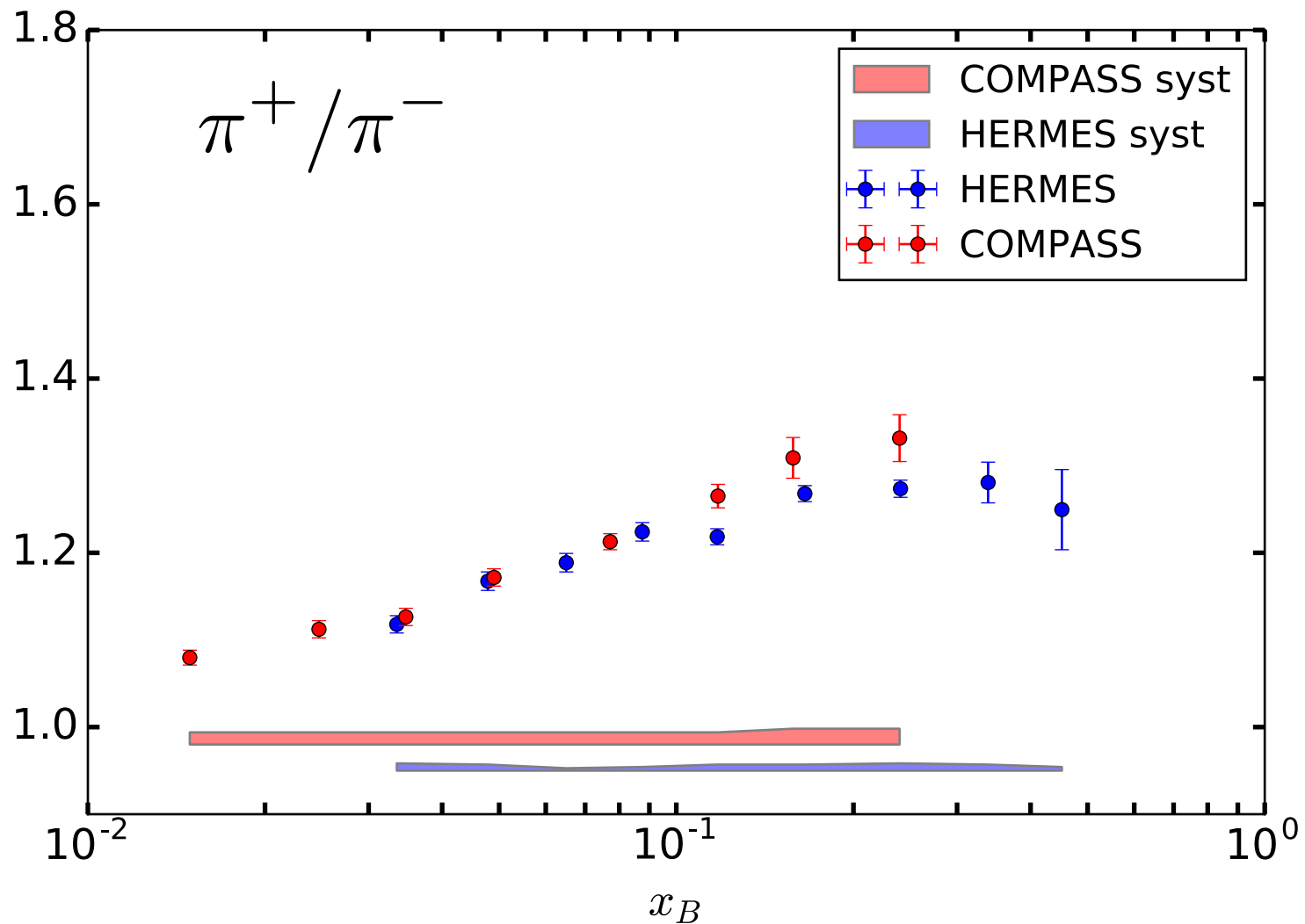


Parton level multiplicities



- Slopes still incompatible also for pions.
- “Hockey stick” shape as for Kaons, likely due to nuclear effects.

Pions ratio



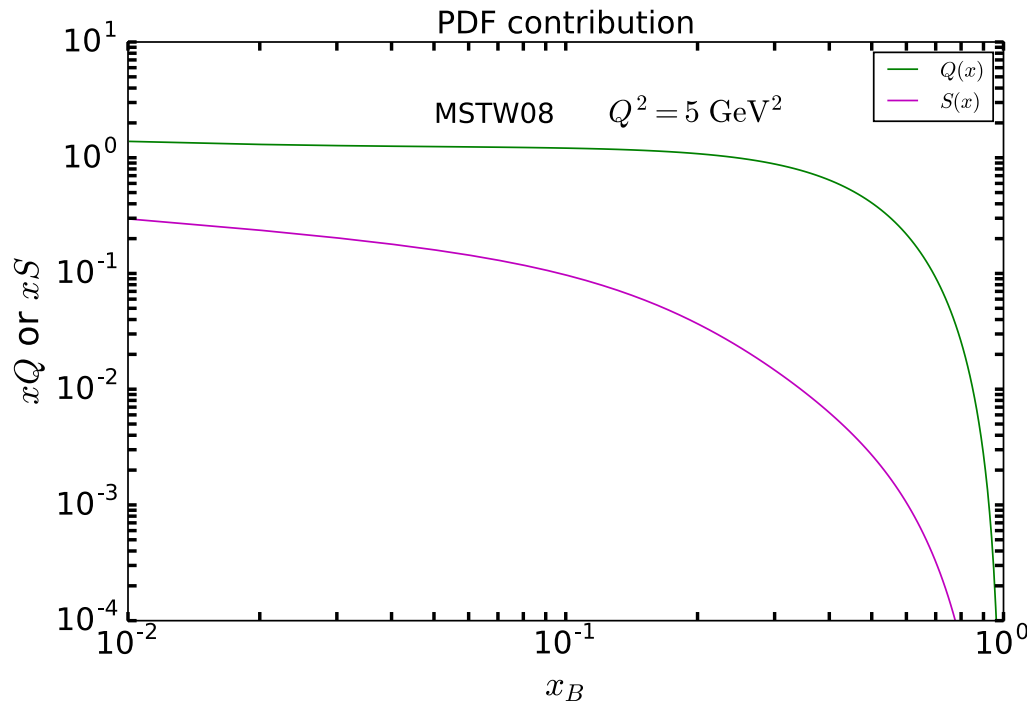
Fragmentation Functions Systematics

Large variations of the multiplicities with the choice of FFs, **why?**

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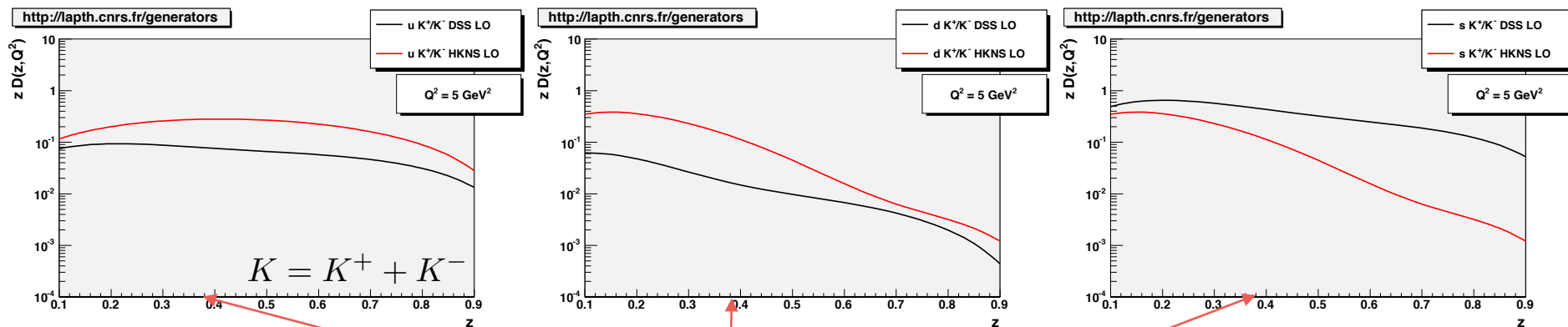
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u, d, s FFs



$$\langle z_h \rangle \sim 0.38$$

$$D_Q^{HKNS} > D_Q^{DSS}$$

Large uncertainty with the choice of FFs because

$$Q > S$$