

# The CJ12 parton distributions

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# The CTEQ-JLab global fits

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## ❑ Goals:

- Improve large- $x$  experimental precision (PDF errors) with larger DIS data set
- Include all relevant large- $x$  / small- $Q^2$  theory corrections
- *Quantitatively evaluate theoretical systematic errors*
- *Use PDFs as tools for nuclear and particle physics*

## ❑ Public release: CJ12

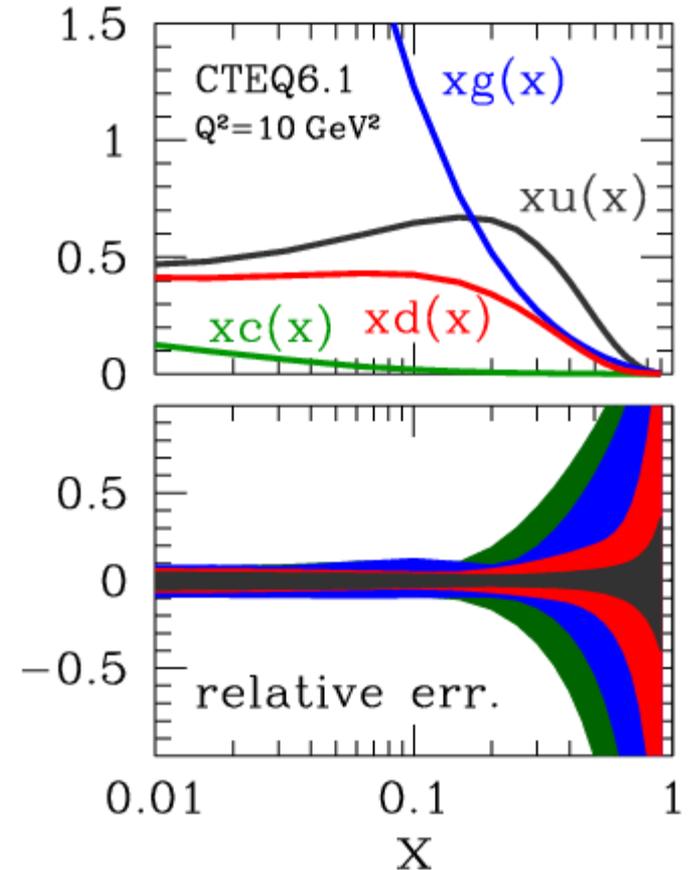
- **Owens, Accardi, Melnitchouk, arXiv:1212.1702** (soon in PRD)
  - [www.jlab.org/cj](http://www.jlab.org/cj)
  - Included in LHAPDF

# Why large $x$ ?

□ Large (experimental) uncertainties in Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs)

□ Precise PDFs at large  $x$  are needed, *e.g.*,

- Non-perturbative nucleon structure:
  - $d/u, \Delta u/u, \Delta d/d$  at  $x \rightarrow 1$
- at LHC, Tevatron
  - New physics as large  $p_T$  excess
  - High mass searches
  - Forward physics
- At RHIC:
  - Polarized gluons at the smallest  $x$
- Neutrino oscillations, ...



# Valence quarks at large $x$

- At large  $x$ , valence  $u$  and  $d$  extracted from  $p$  and  $n$  DIS structure functions

$$F_2^p \approx \frac{4}{9}u_v + \frac{1}{9}d_v$$

$$F_2^n \approx \frac{1}{9}u_v + \frac{4}{9}d_v$$

- $u$  quark distribution well determined from proton data
- $d$  quark distribution requires neutron structure function

$$\frac{d}{u} \approx \frac{4F_2^n / F_2^p - 1}{4 - F_2^n / F_2^p}$$

# Valence quarks at large $x$

## □ Non-perturbative models:

- **SU(6) spin-flavor symmetry:**  $d/u \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 1} 1/2$
- **Broken SU(6) : hard gluon exchange:**  $d/u \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 1} 1/5$
- **Broken SU(6) : scalar diquark dominance**  $d/u \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 1} 0$

## □ No free neutron! Best proxy: Deuteron

- But bound and off-shell nucleons, Fermi motion

# Large x at colliders - new physics searches

Remember,  $x = \frac{M}{\sqrt{s}} e^y$

Examples:

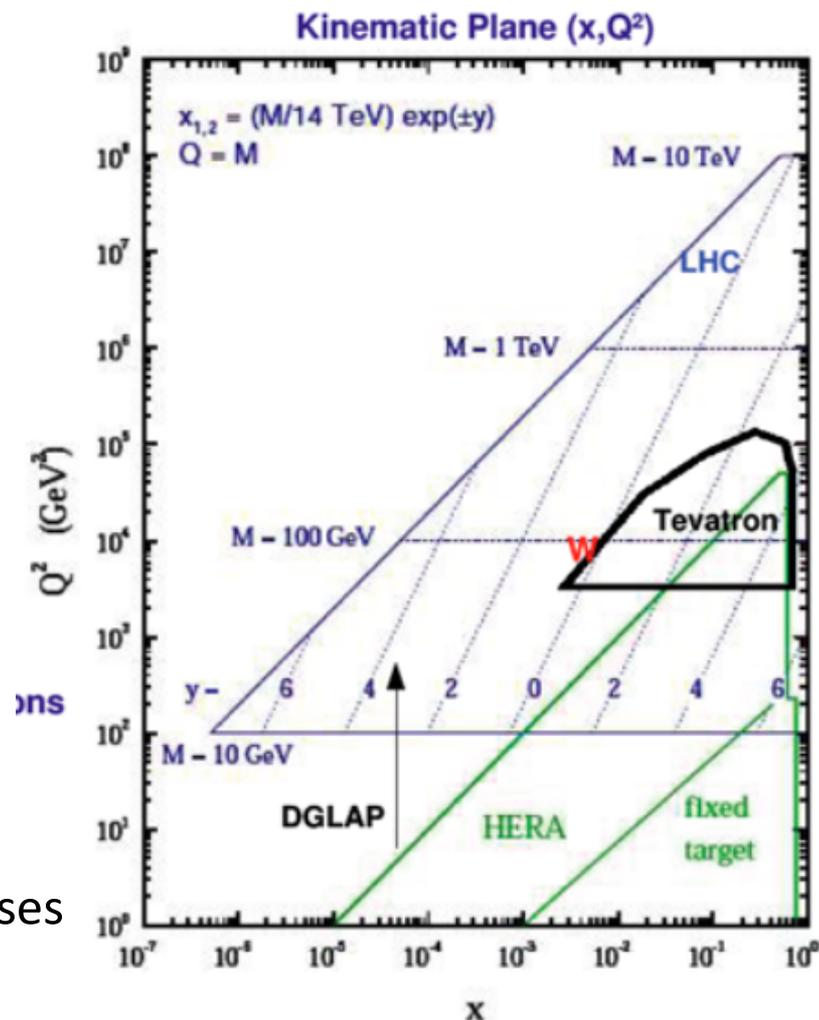
- Z' production  $M'_Z \gtrsim 1 \text{ TeV}$
- W at forward rapidity:  $y > 2$

$$x > 0.1 \text{ (LHC)}$$

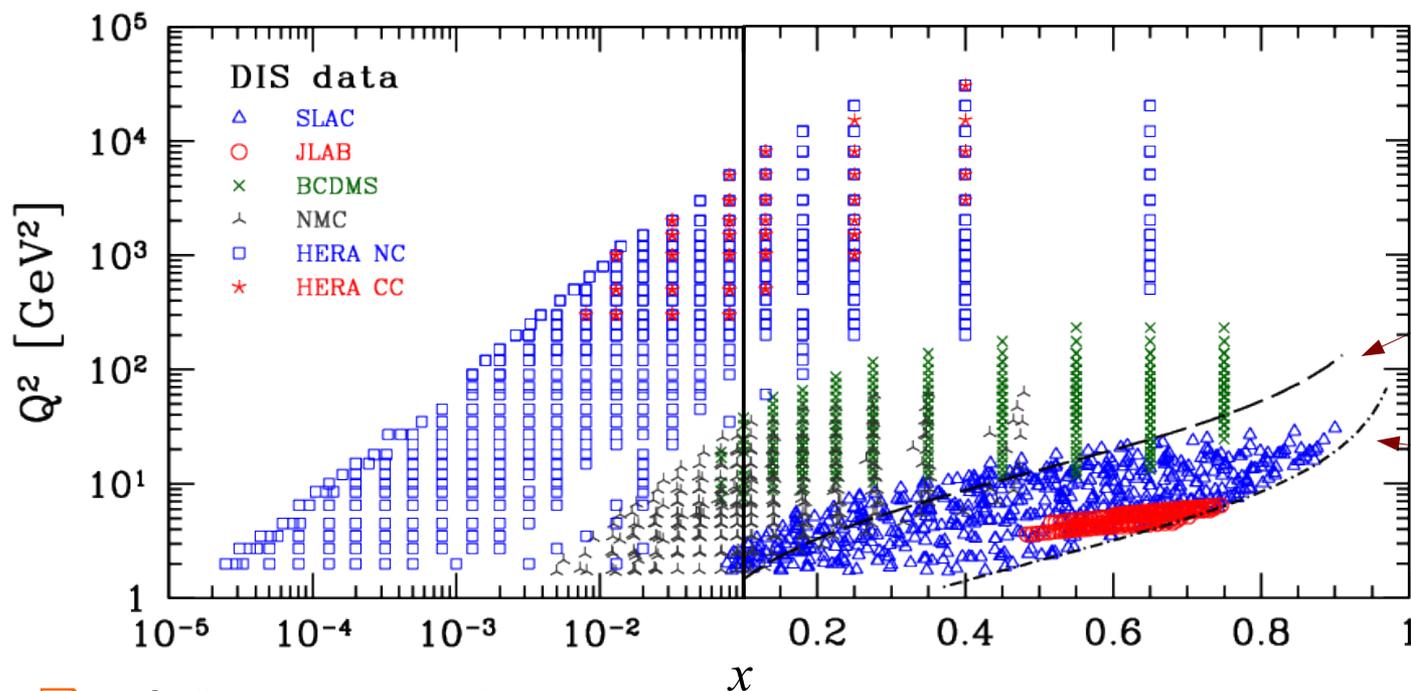
$$x > 0.5 \text{ (Tevatron)}$$

Precise large-x PDFs needed to:

- reduce QCD background
- optimize searches involving large masses
- precisely characterize new particles



# Large-x, small- $Q^2$ corrections



standard cut  
 $W^2 \gtrsim 14 \text{ GeV}^2$

CJ12  
 $W^2 \gtrsim 3 \text{ GeV}^2$

## 1/ $Q^{2n}$ suppressed:

- Target mass corrections (TMC), higher-twists (HT)
- Current jet mass, quark mass, large-x QCD evol.

*Accardi et al.*  
*PRD D81 (2010)*

## Non-suppressed

- Nuclear corrections, threshold resum., parton recomb.

included in CJ fits

## New d-quark parametrization: $d'(x) = d(x) + \alpha x^\beta u(x)$

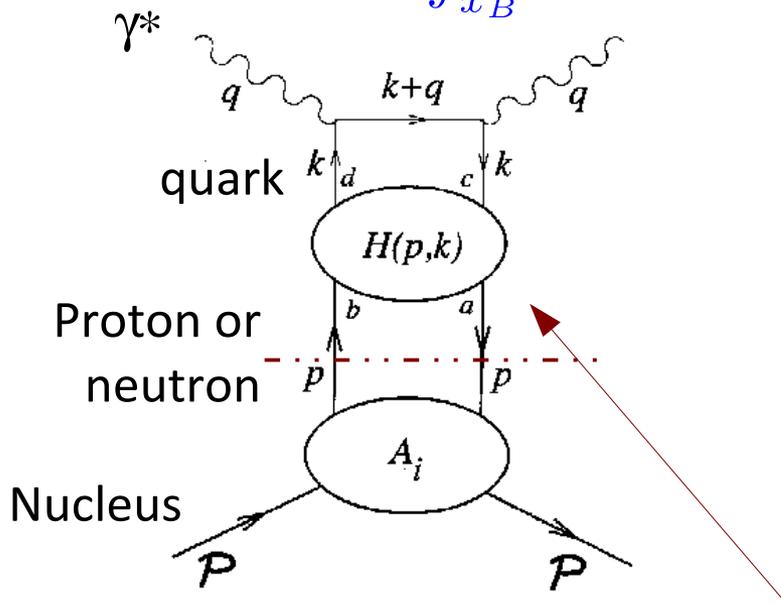
# Deuteron corrections

❑ No free neutron! Best proxy: Deuteron

- Parton distributions (to be fitted)
- nuclear wave function (AV18, CD-Bonn, WJC1, ...)
- Off-shell nucleon modification (model dependent)

Theoretical uncertainty

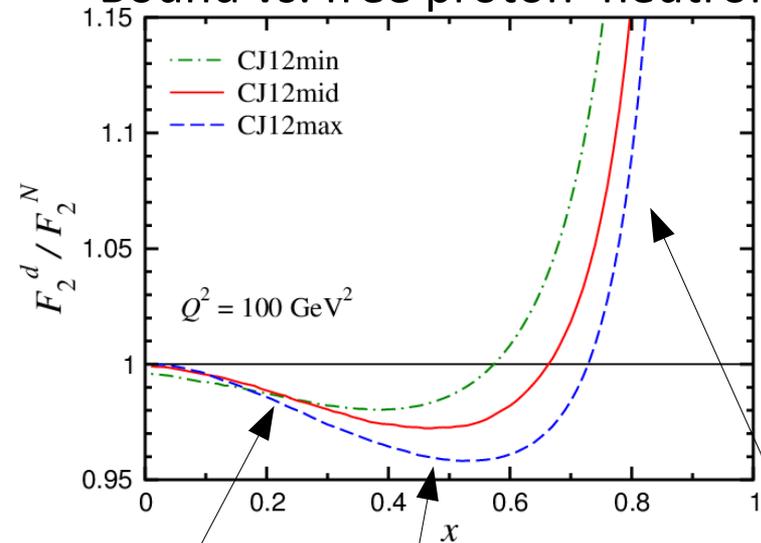
$$F_{2d}(x_B, Q^2) = \int_{x_B}^A dy \mathcal{S}_A(y, \gamma) F_2^{TMC+HT}(x_B/y, Q^2) \left( 1 + \frac{\delta^{off} F_2(x)}{F_2(x)} \right)$$



Low-energy factorization issues

- Renorm. of nuclear operators, gauge inv., FSI, ...

Bound vs. free proton+neutron



binding

off-shellness

Fermi motion

# Fit framework

□ We concentrated on theory corrections, established a baseline fit

□ Data

- DIS: fixed target  $F_2$ , HERA combined  $\sigma$
- Drell-Yan, W asymmetry, Z rapidity distribution
- Tevatron jets,  $\gamma$  + jets

□ Parametrization (with  $d$ -quark and strange sea exception)

$$xf(x) = Nx^a(1-x)^b(1+c\sqrt{x}+dx)$$

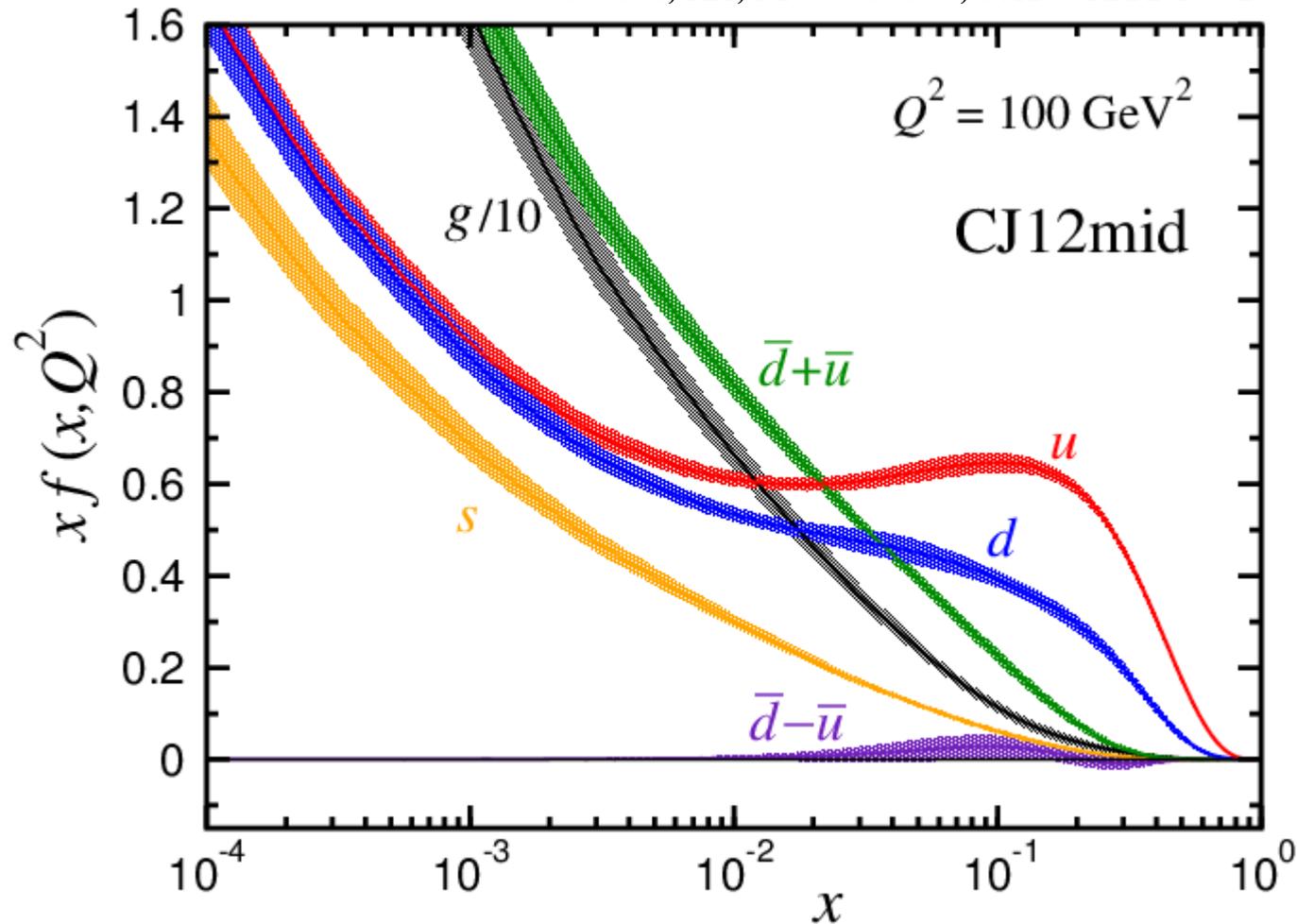
$$F_2 = F_2^{LT} \left[ (1 + a_{HT}x_{HT}^b(x)(1 + c_{HT}x)) / Q^2 \right]$$

□ Other

- NLO, zero-mass VFN scheme (will upgrade to s-ACOT)
- $\alpha_s = 0.118$  (will be fitted in future releases)
- Correlated errors, Hessian technique, tolerance T=10

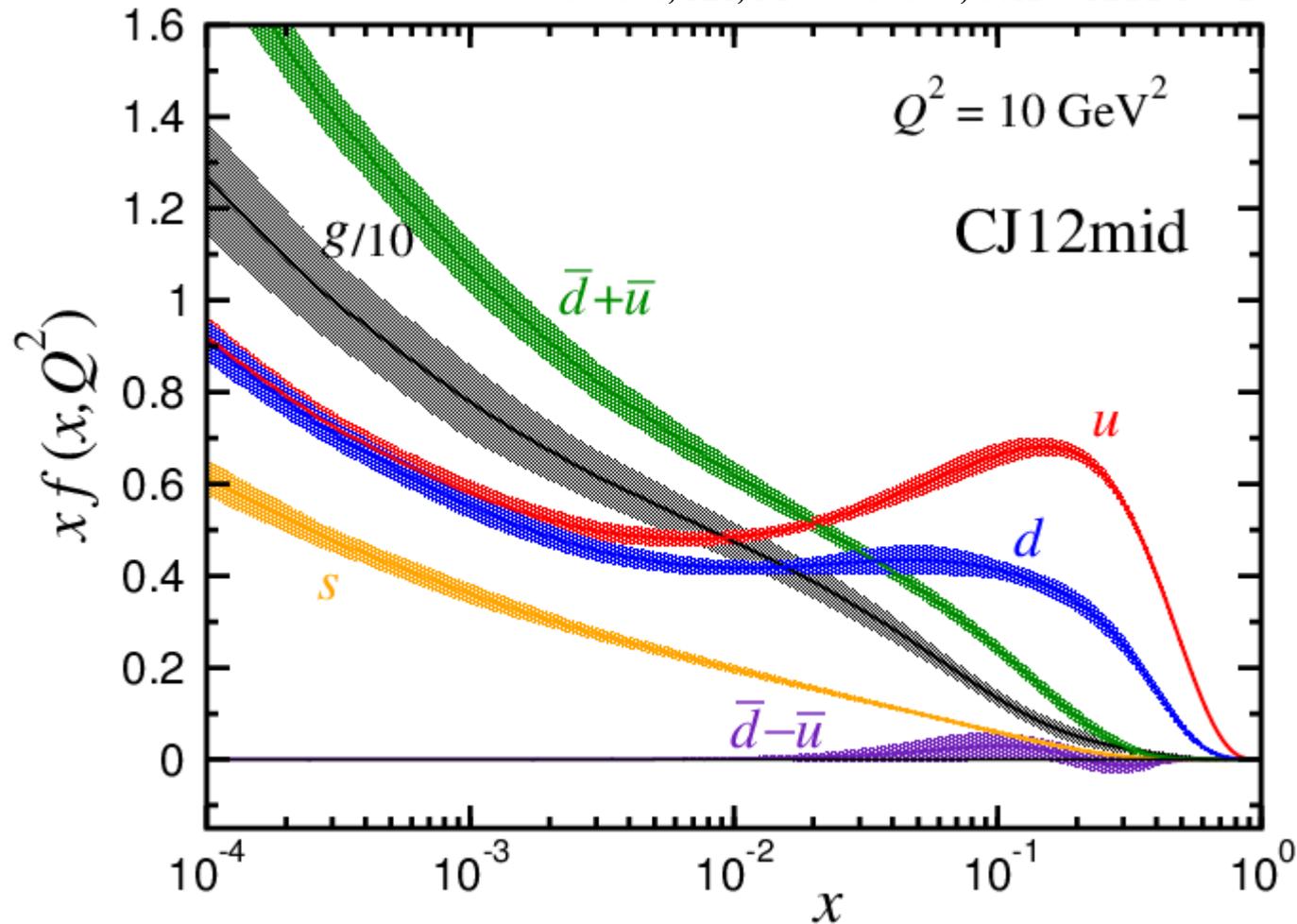
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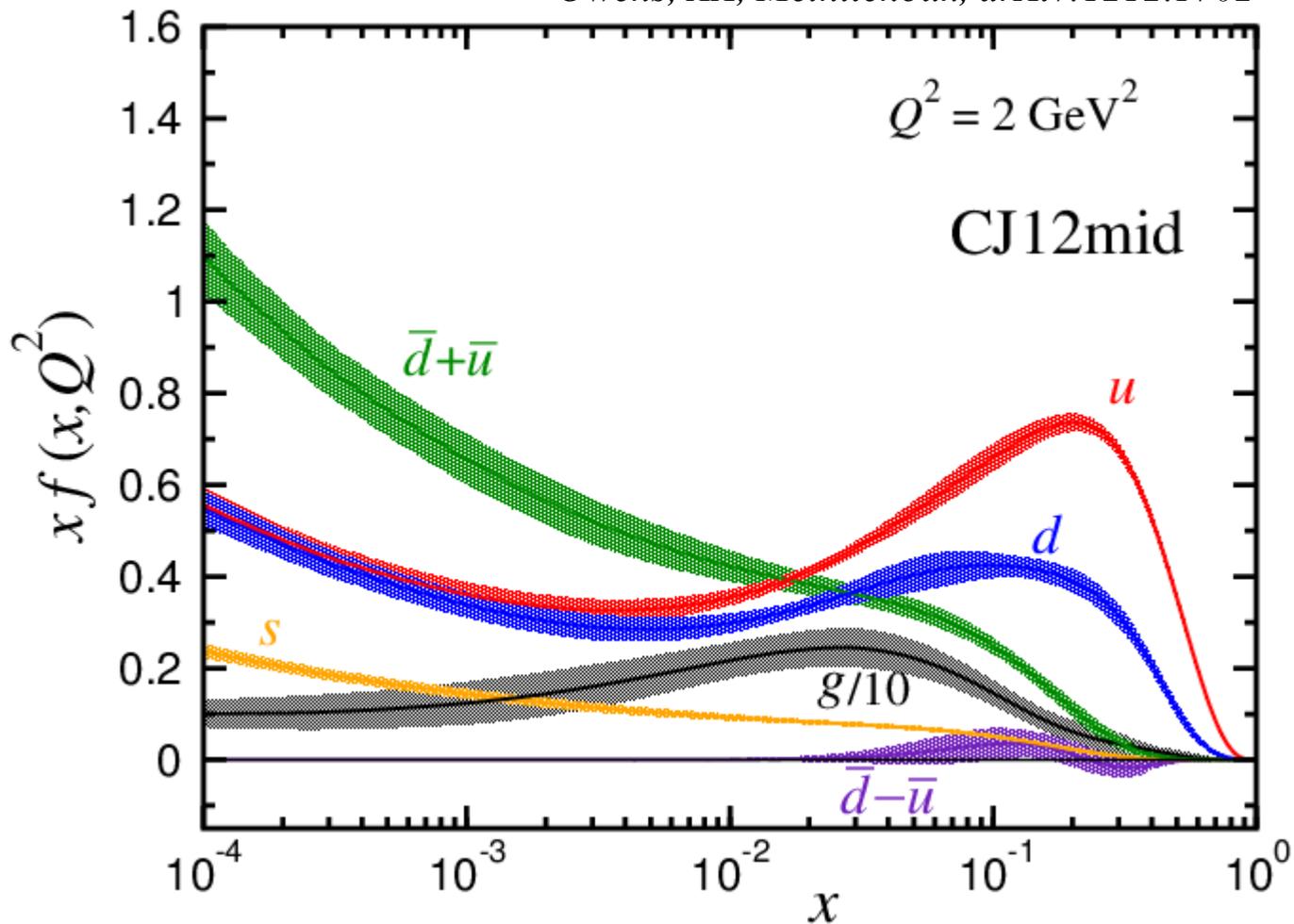
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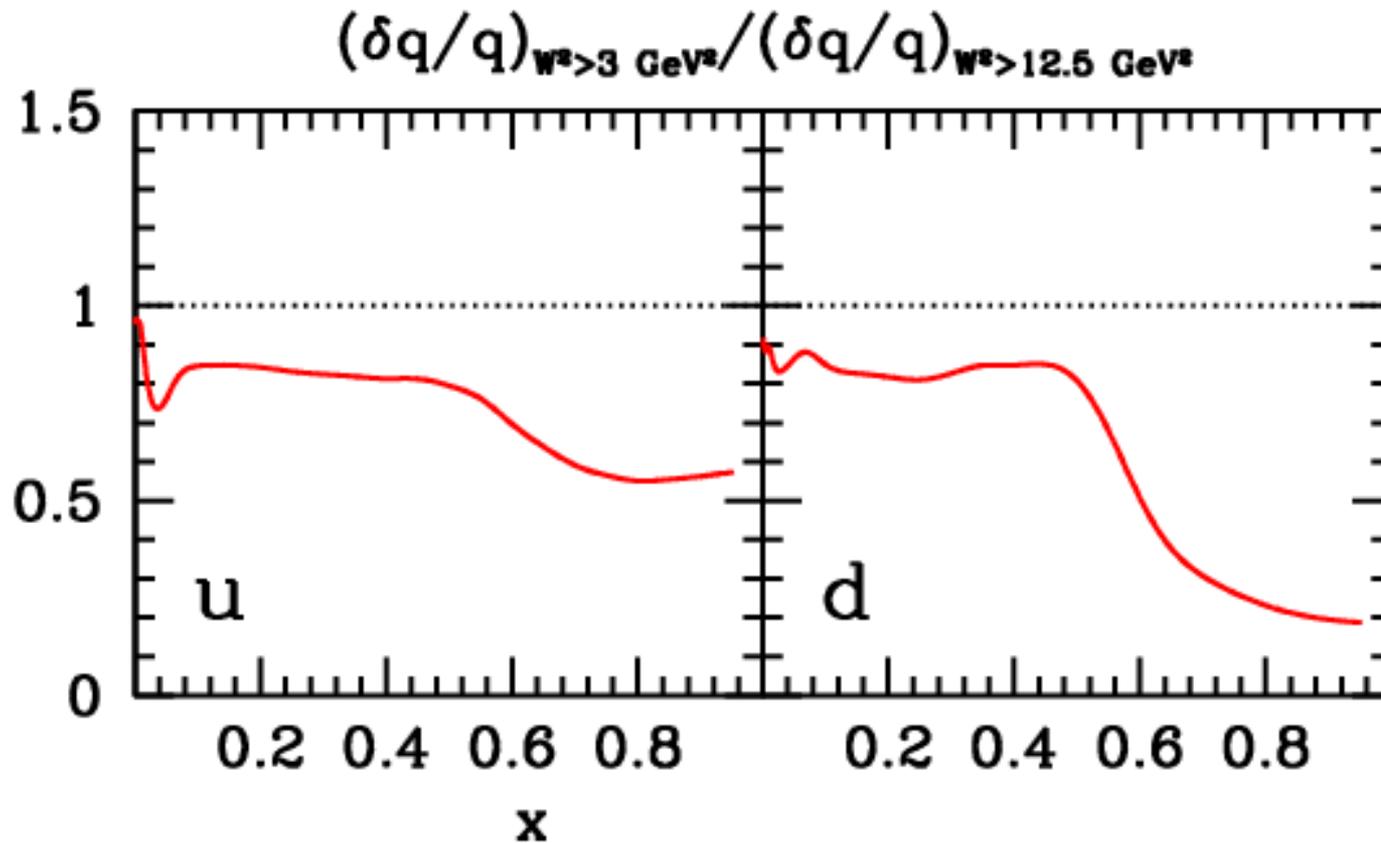


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# Statistical improvement



# Theoretical uncertainties

# Effect of theory corrections in a nutshell

## □ New $d$ -quark parametrization

$$d'(x) = d(x) + \alpha x^\beta u(x)$$

- Allows  $d/u$  to be non-zero at  $x = 1$   
(as required in non-perturbative models)
- Produces **dramatic increase in  $d$  PDF in  $x \rightarrow 1$  limit**

## □ Sensitivity to nuclear corrections

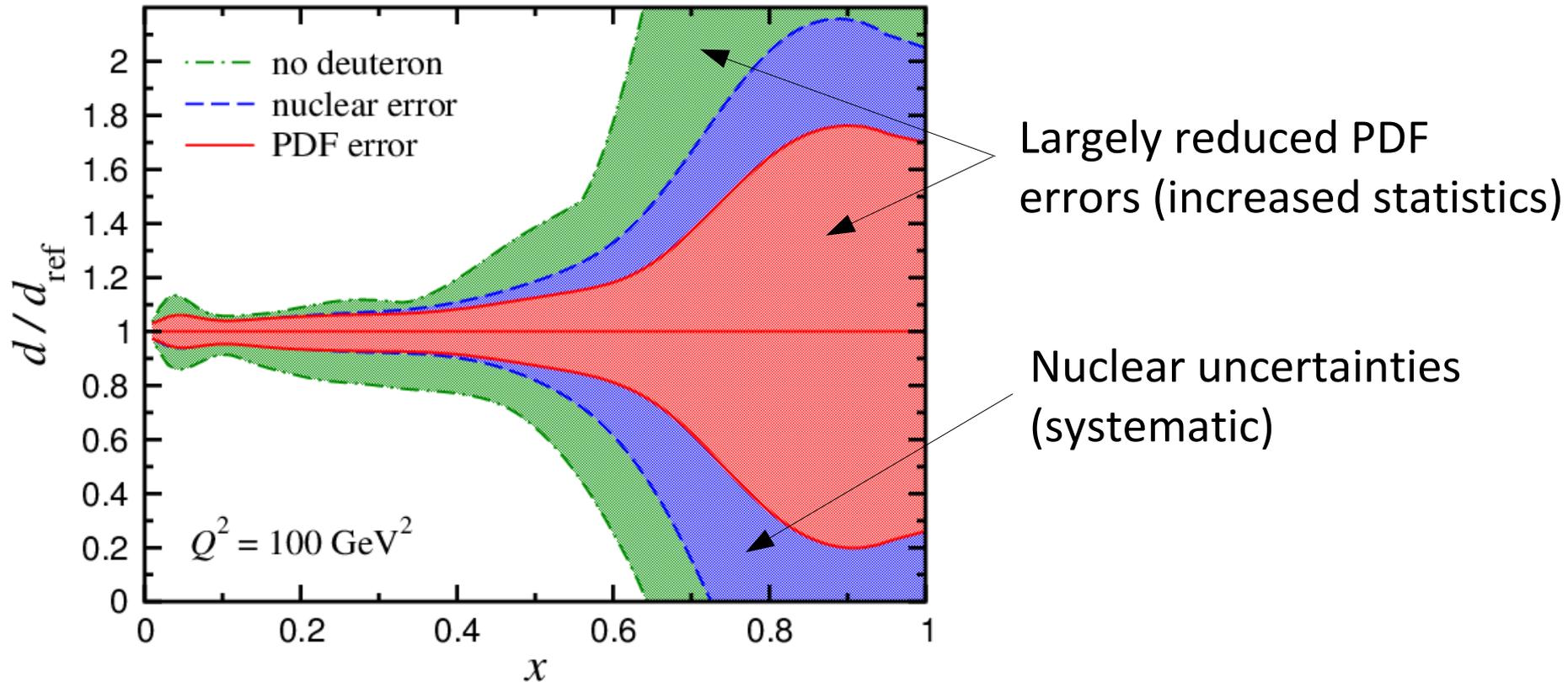
- $d$ -quark at  $x > 0.5$  almost fully correlated to nuclear model  
model: **Very large theoretical uncertain at large  $x$**
- Modest, non negligible impact also at  $0.2 < x < 0.5$

*Accardi et al. PRD81 (2010)*

*Ball et al. ArXiv:1303.1189 (2013)*

# CJ12 fits: nuclear and PDF uncertainty

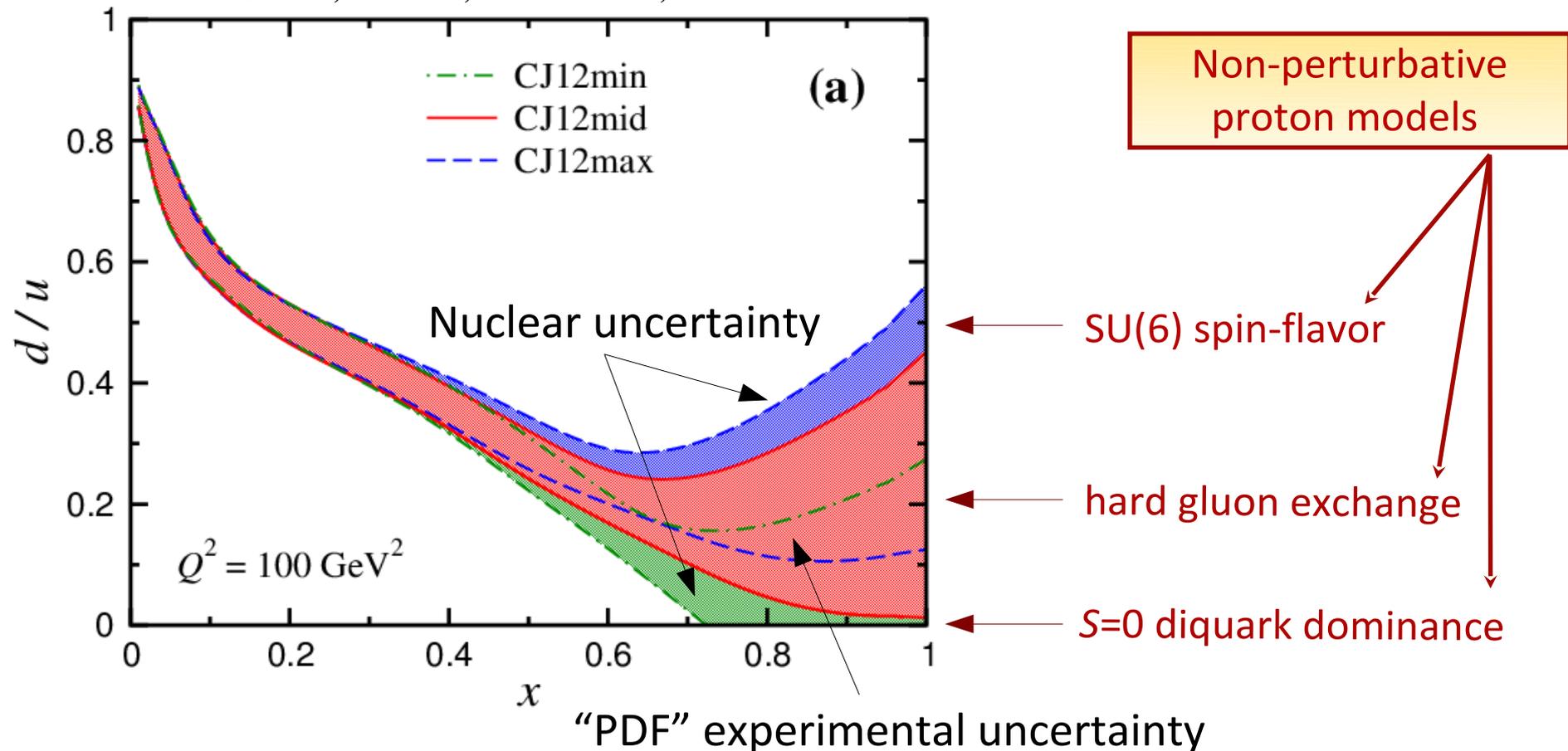
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□ Large overall reduction in uncertainty with relaxed cuts

# Applications: $d/u$ ratio

Owens, Accardi, Melnitchouk, *arXiv:1212.1702*



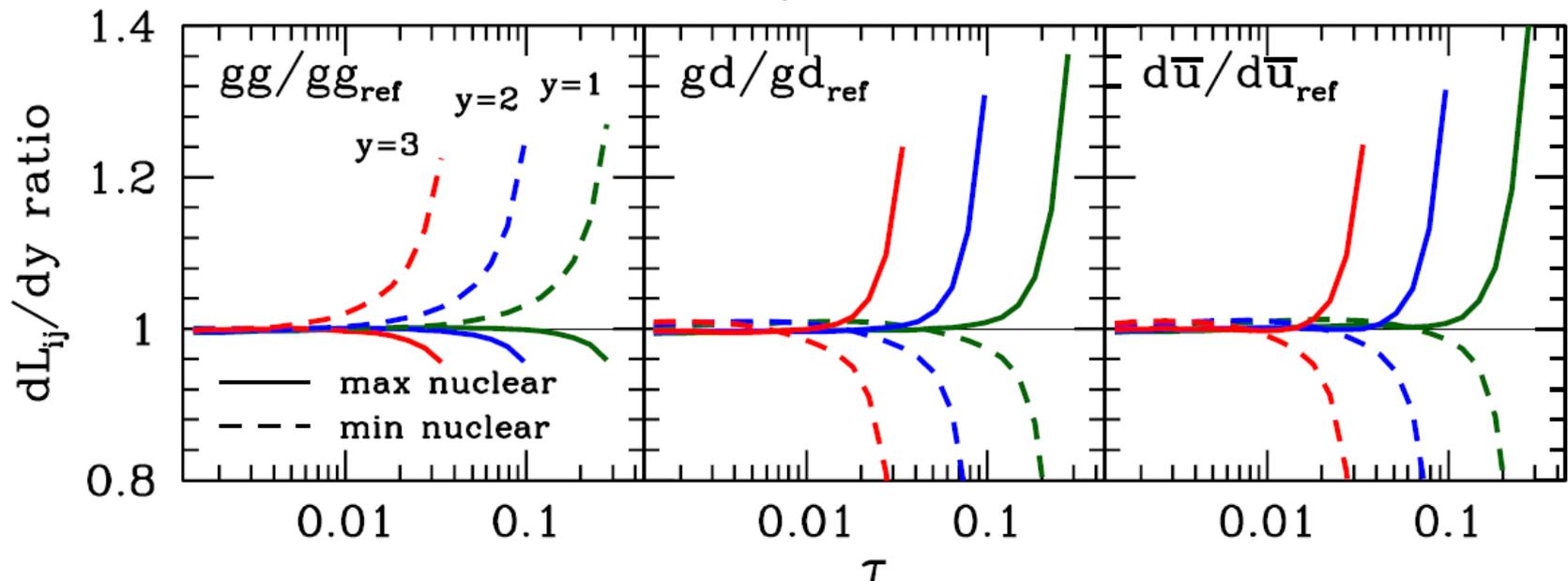
$$d/u \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 1} 0.22 \pm 0.20 \text{ (PDF)} \pm 0.10 \text{ (nucl)}$$

# Applications: new physics at LHC

*Accardi et al., PRD84 (2011) 014008*

- New physics signal require accurate determination of QCD background
- Uncertainties in large- $x$  PDFs could affect interpretation of experiments searching for new particles

## Differential parton luminosities

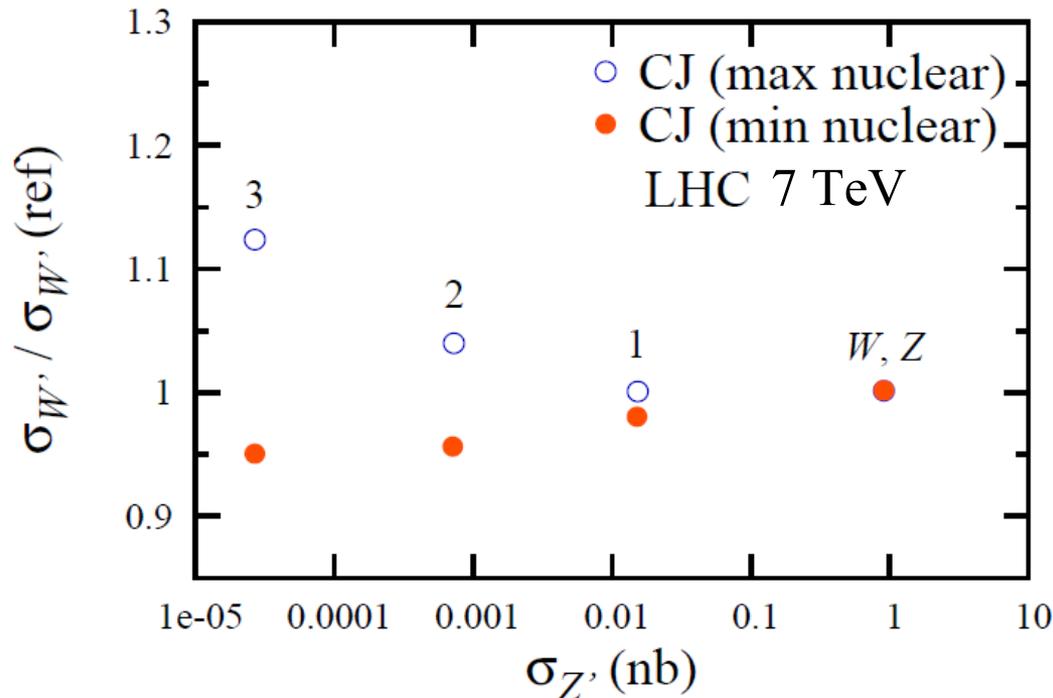


# Applications: large mass searches at LHC

*Brady, Accardi, Melnitchouk, Owens, JHEP 1206 (2012) 019*

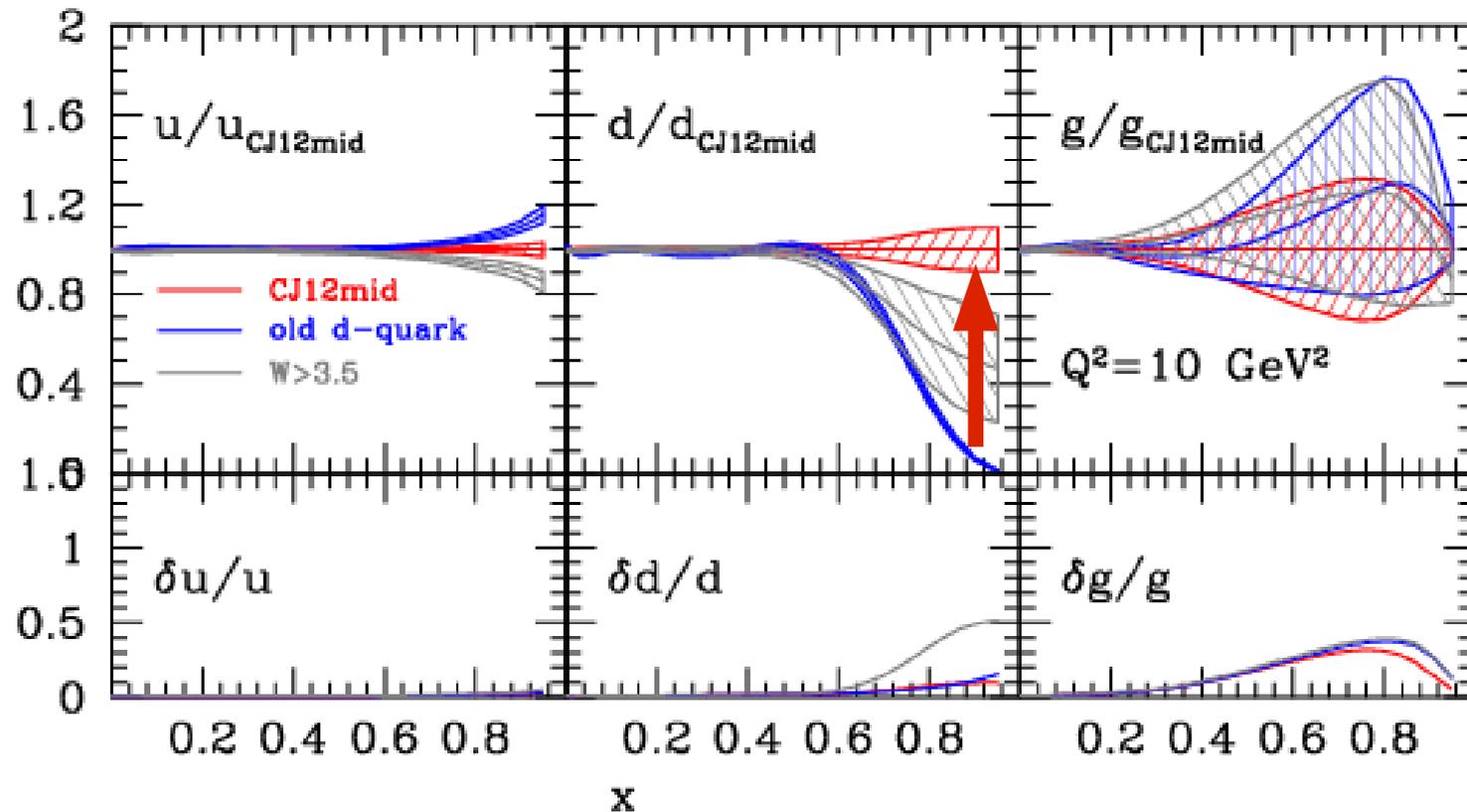
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## Example: $W'$ and $Z'$ total cross sections



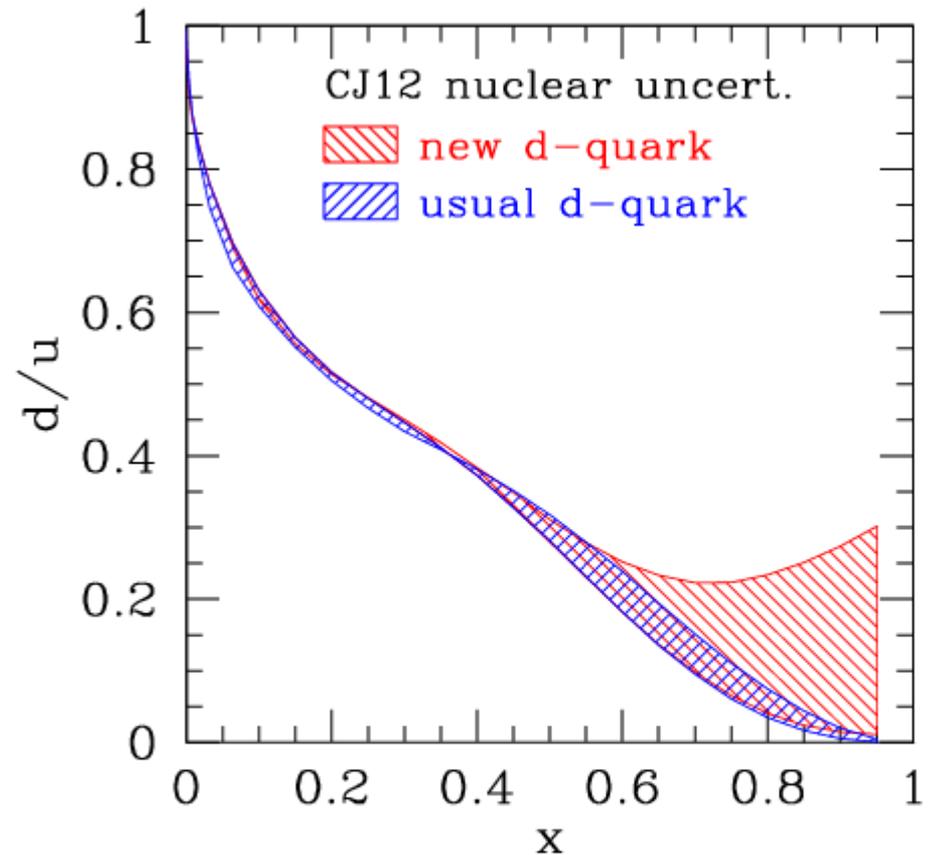
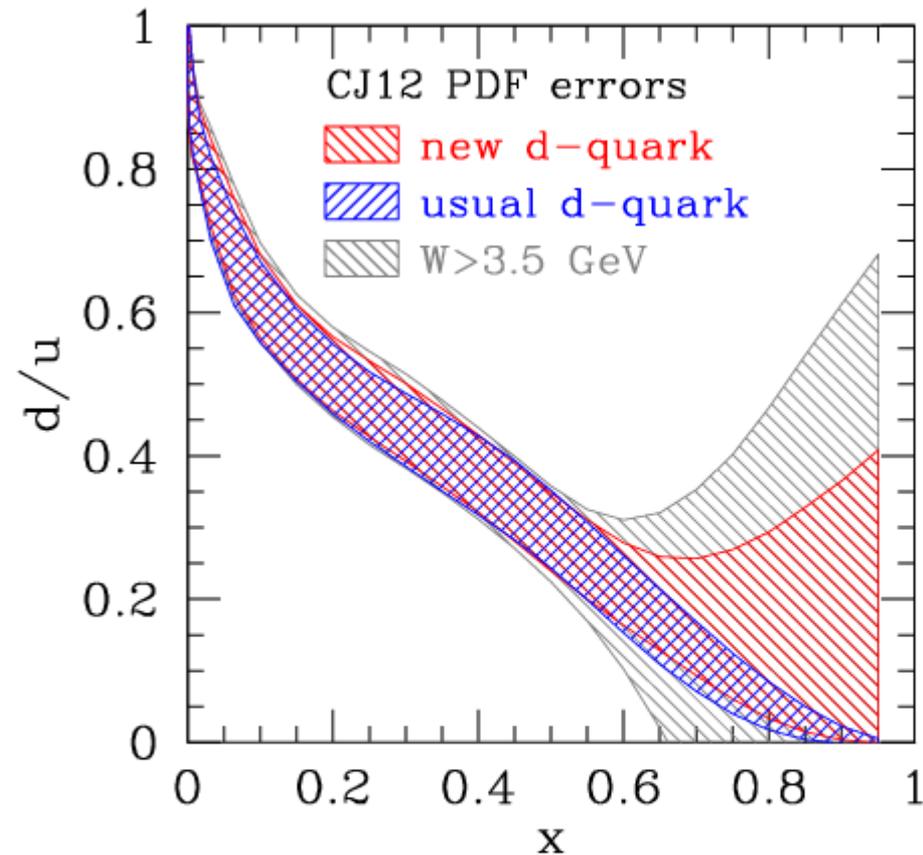
# CJ12: old vs. new $d$ quark

[here  $T=1$  for clarity]



- Dramatic increase in  $d$  quark with more flexible parametrization
- Standard (old)  $d$ -quark: either  $d/u \rightarrow 0$  or  $d/u \rightarrow \infty$ 
  - **Large bias, neglected in all other fits**

# CJ12: old vs. new $d$ quark

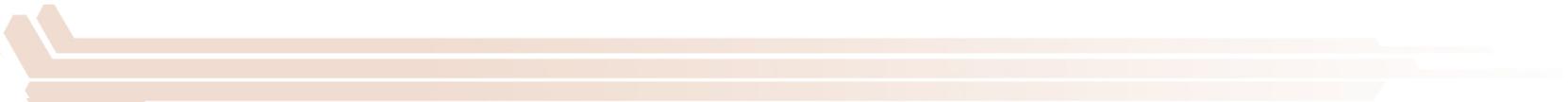


## □ Standard $d$ -quark too stiff at $x > 0.6$

- Underestimates central value and nuclear uncertainty
- Full unbiasing could be obtained in a NN analysis with low  $W$  cuts



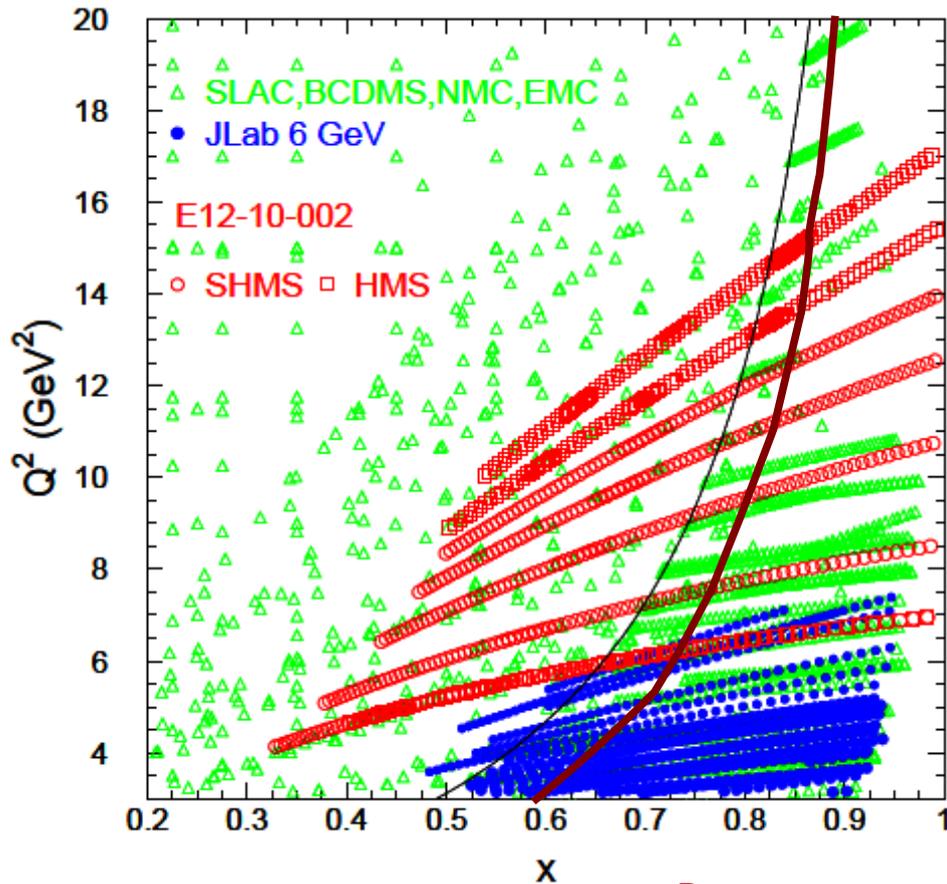
# Beating the experimental uncertainties



# At JLab 12

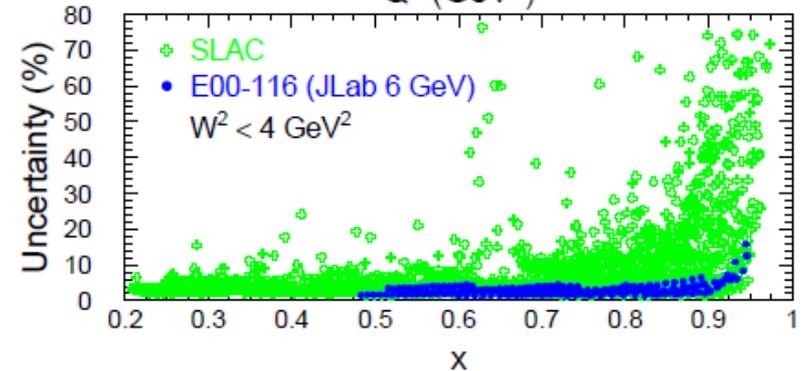
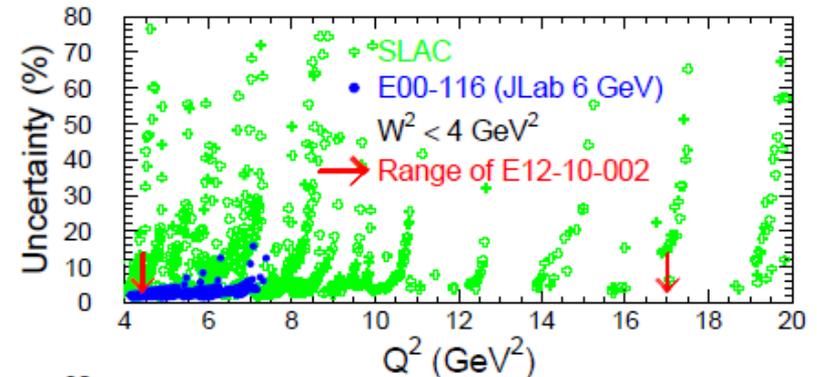
Jlab12 experiment E12-10-002

CJ cut:  $W^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2$



DIS region

Resonance region



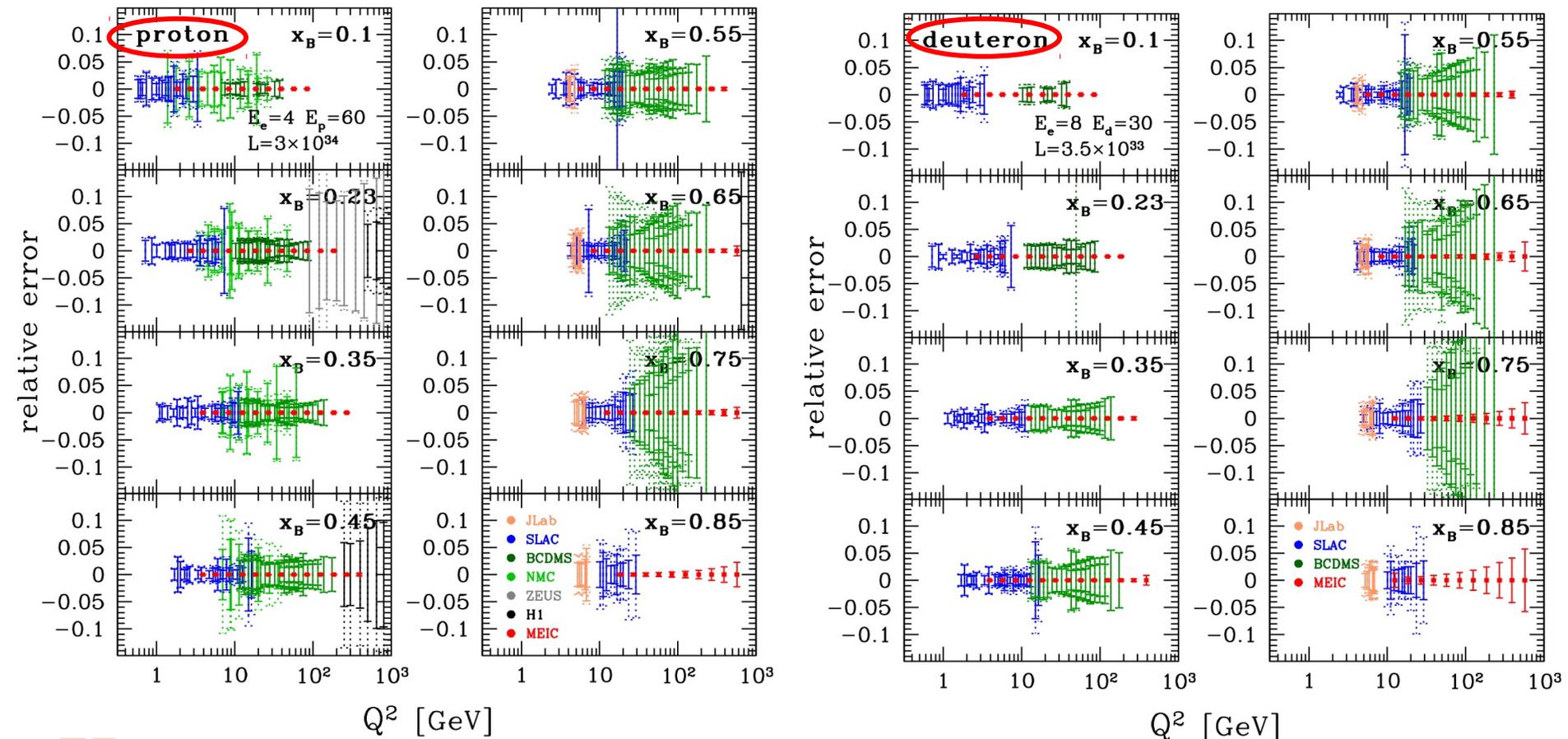
**Goal @ 12 GeV:**  
 similar precision as  
 E00-116 (@ 6 GeV)

# At the EIC

MEIC  $\nu_s = 31$  GeV (ca. 2010)

– Pseudo data using CTEQ-JLab “CTEQ6X” fits,  $L=230$  (35)  $\text{fb}^{-1}$

[Accardi, Ent, Keppel]



# Constraining the theoretical uncertainties

# Constraining the nuclear uncertainty

## □ DIS data minimally sensitive to nuclear corrections

- DIS with slow spectator proton (**BONUS**)
  - Quasi-free neutrons
- DIS with fast spectator (**DeepX**)
  - Off-shell neutrons
- $^3\text{He}/^3\text{H}$  ratios

**Jlab12**

*[Keppel - Thursday]*

## □ Data on free (anti)protons, sensitive to $d$

- $e+p$ : parity-violating DIS    **HERA ( $e^+$  vs.  $e^-$ ), EIC, LHeC**
- $\nu+p, \bar{\nu}+p$  (*no experiment in sight*)
- $p+p, p+\bar{p}$  at large positive rapidity
  - $W$  charge asymmetry,  $Z$  rapidity distribution

**Tevatron: D0, CDF??**

**LHCb?? RHIC**

**AFTER@LHC**

## □ Cross-check data

- $p+d$  at large negative rapidity – dileptons;  $W, Z$ 
  - Sensitive to nuclear corrections, cross-checks  $e+d$

**RHIC ??**

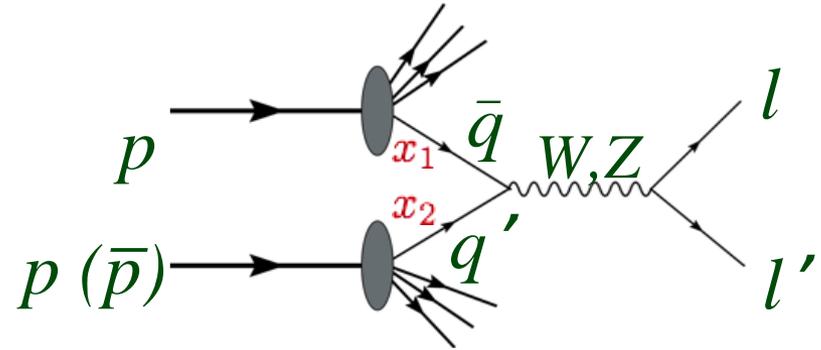
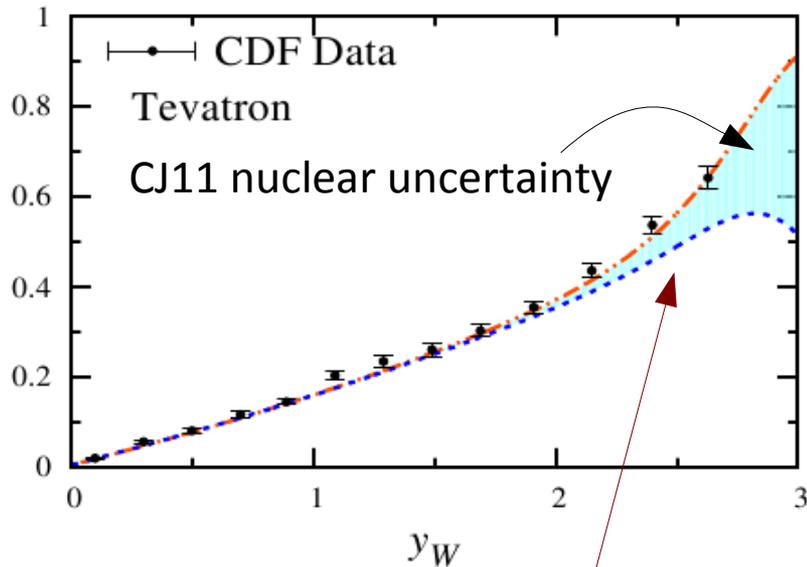
**AFTER@LHC**

# Use protons to study nuclei (!)

Brady, Accardi, Melnitchouk, Owens, JHEP 1206 (2012) 019

## Directly reconstructed W:

➤ highest sensitivity to large x



$$A_W(y) = \frac{\sigma(W^+) - \sigma(W^-)}{\sigma(W^+) + \sigma(W^-)}$$

$$\approx \frac{d/u(x_2) - d/u(x_1)}{d/u(x_2) + d/u(x_1)}$$

sensitive to  
d at high x

Can constrain  
Deuteron models!

❑ Needs to be corroborated:

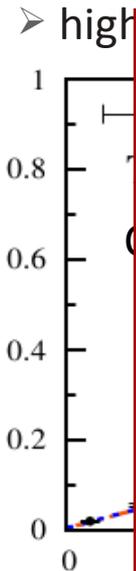
- W, Z at RHIC, Z (and W ?) at LHC, W at DØ (??)
- PVDIS at JLab 12, **CC @ EIC**

See also MMSTWW, EPJ C73 (2013)

# Use protons to study nuclei (!)

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Directly reconstructed W:



**A new avenue for understanding high-energy processes on nuclei: weak interactions on proton targets from JLab to the LHC!**

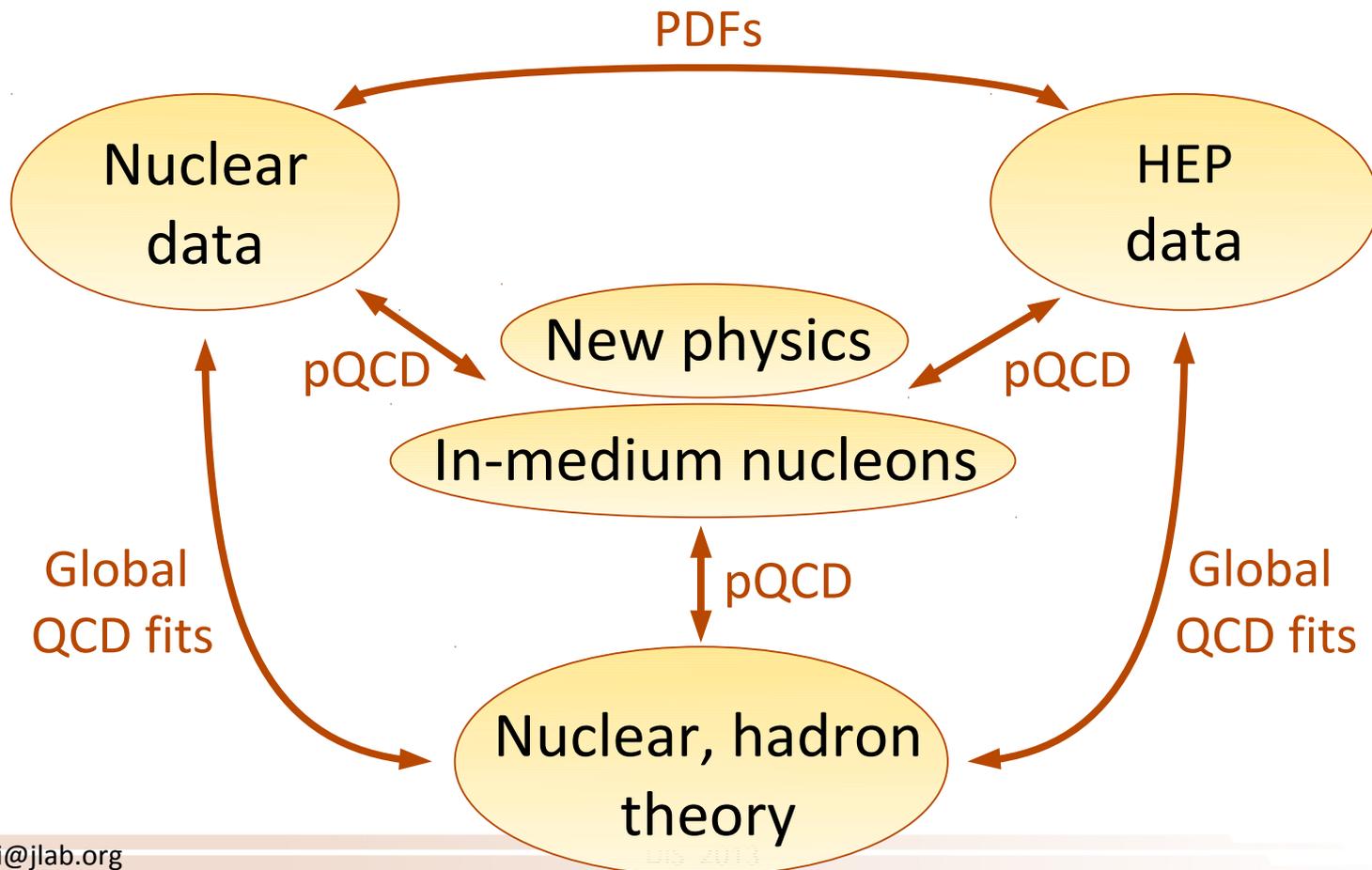
□ Need

- W, Z at RHIC, Z (and W ?) at LHC, W at DØ (??)
- PVDIS at JLab 12, **CC @ EIC**

# Summary

## □ CJ12 PDF global fits attacking large- $x$ PDFs:

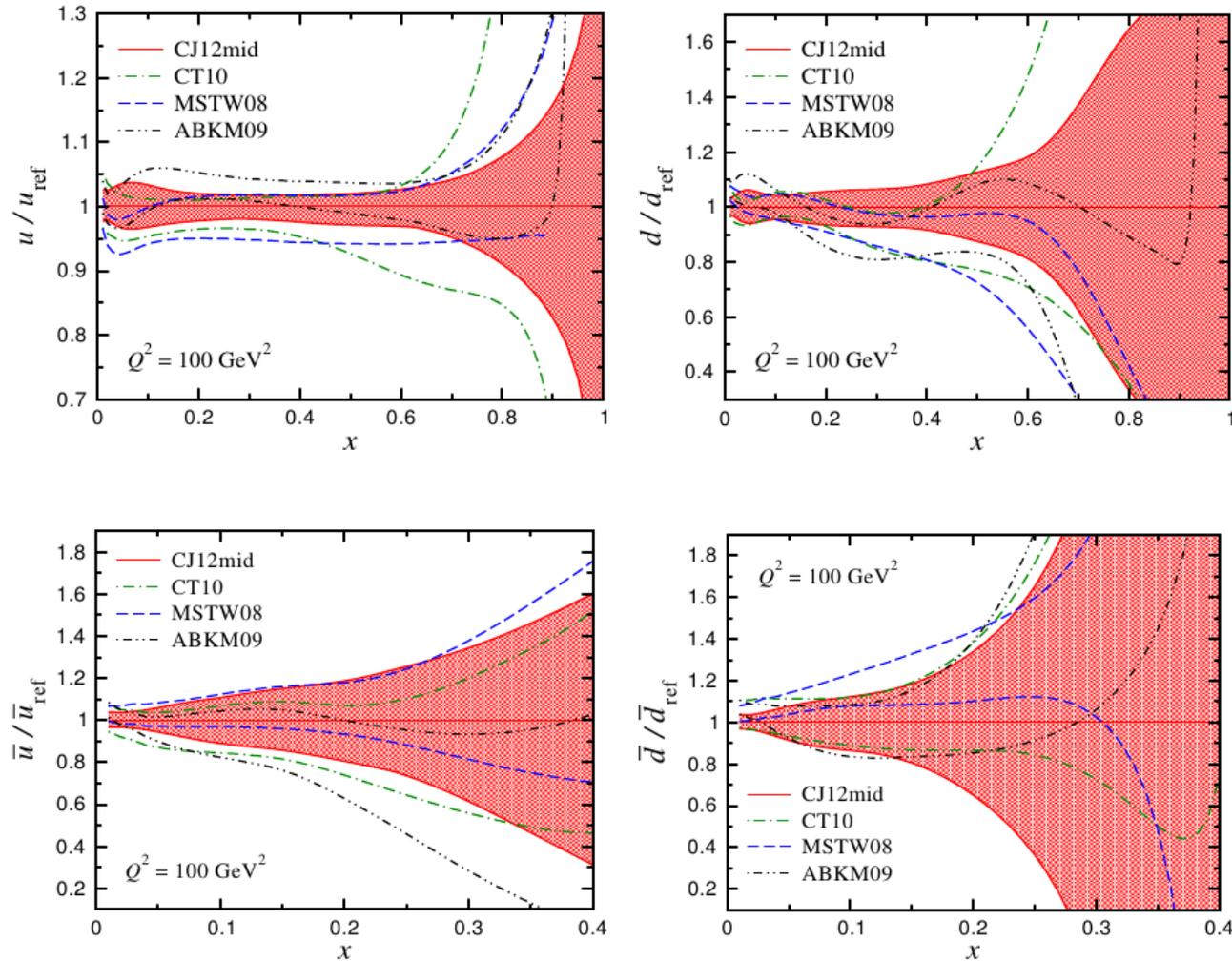
- integrate across hadronic physics from JLab to the LHC
- connect with rest of subatomic physics



# Backup slides

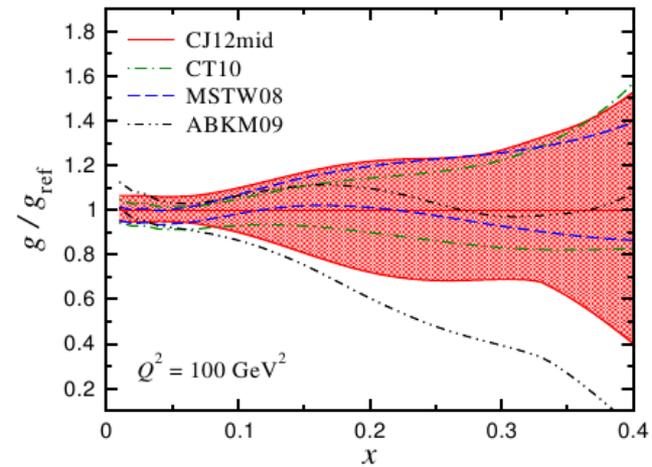
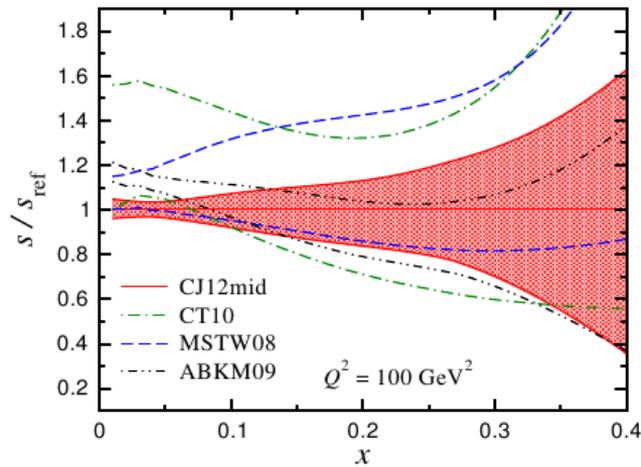
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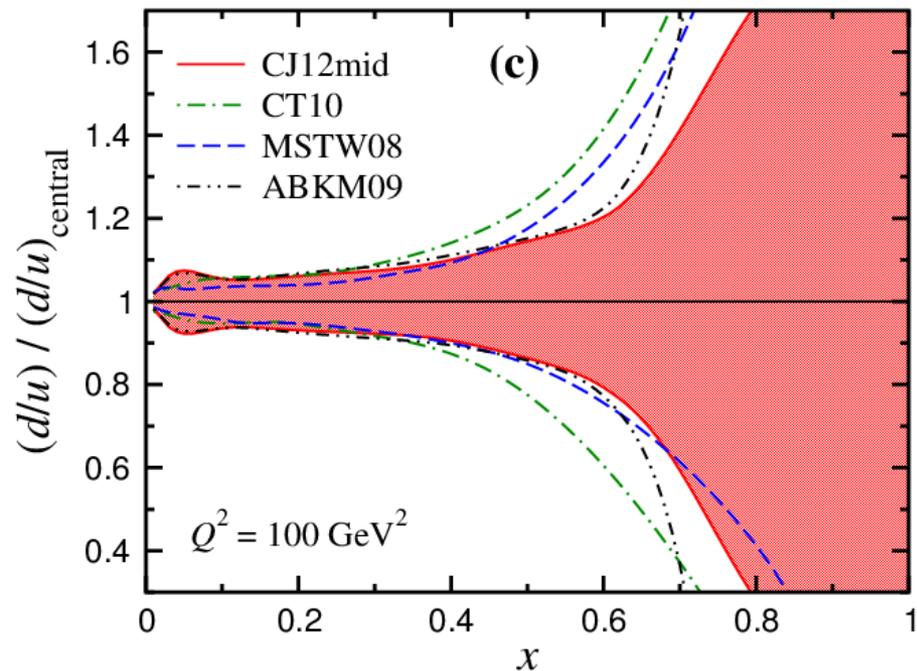
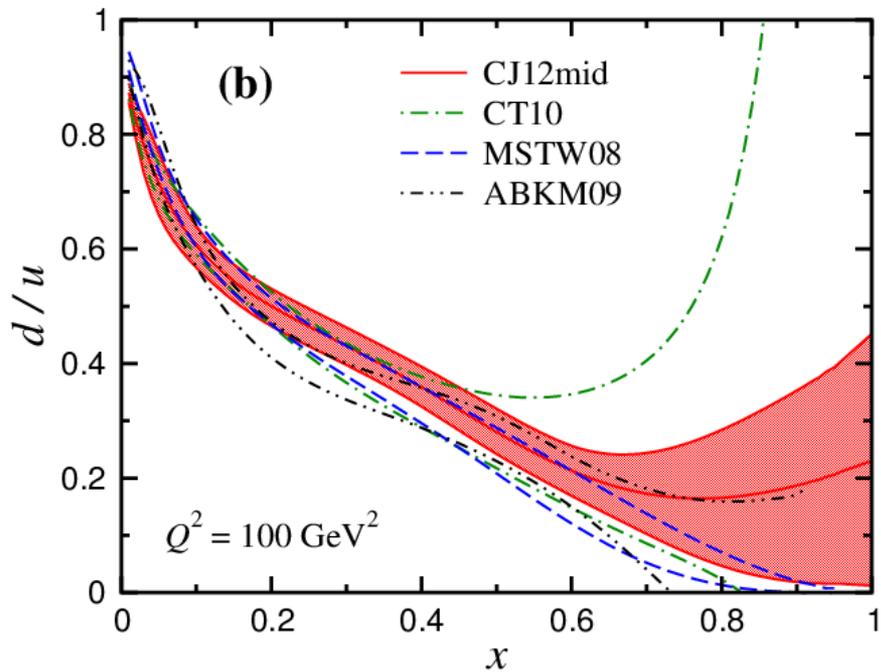
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# CJ12 vs. others - $d/u$ ratio

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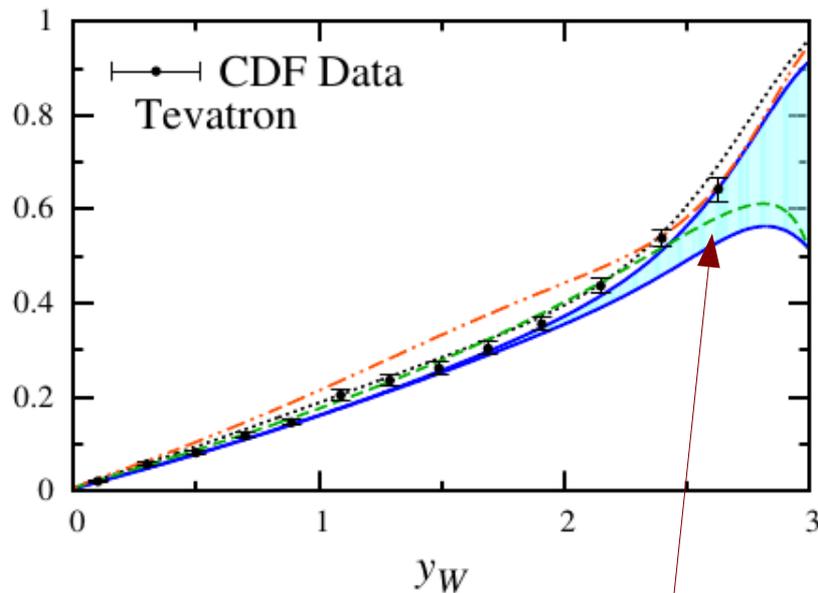


# W charge asymmetry at Tevatron

Brady, Accardi, Melnitchouk, Owens, JHEP 1206 (2012) 019

## Directly reconstructed W:

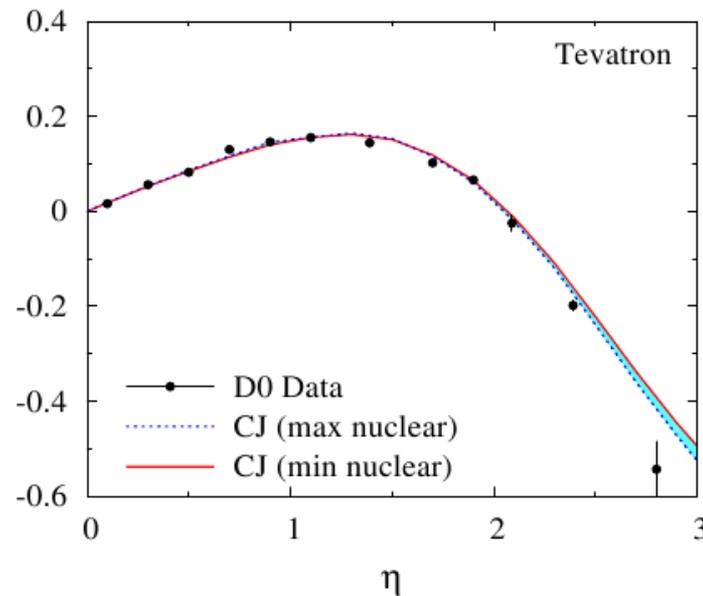
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sensitive to  
 $d$  at high  $x$

## From decay lepton $W \rightarrow l + \nu$ :

- smearing in  $x$



Can constrain  
Nuclear models!

❑ Too little large- $x$  sensitivity in lepton asymmetry:

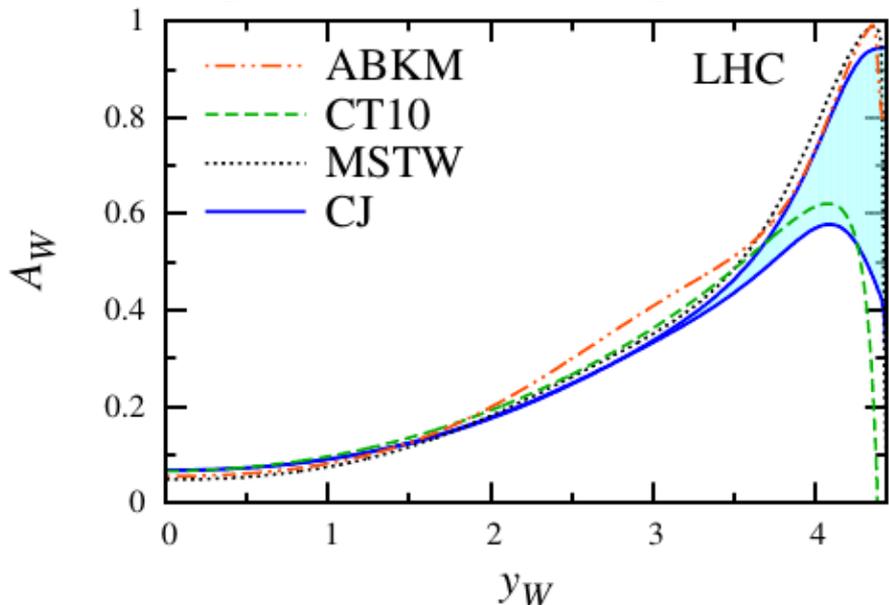
– need reconstructed  $W$

# W charge asymmetry at LHC

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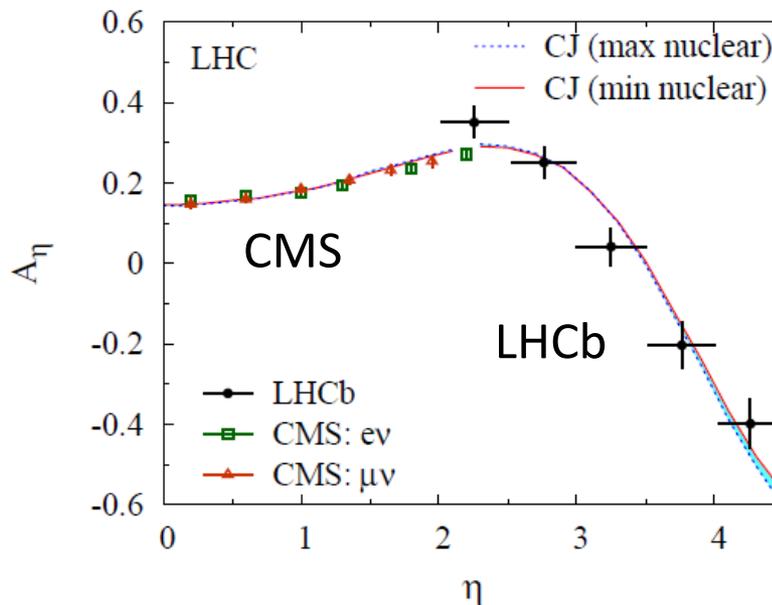
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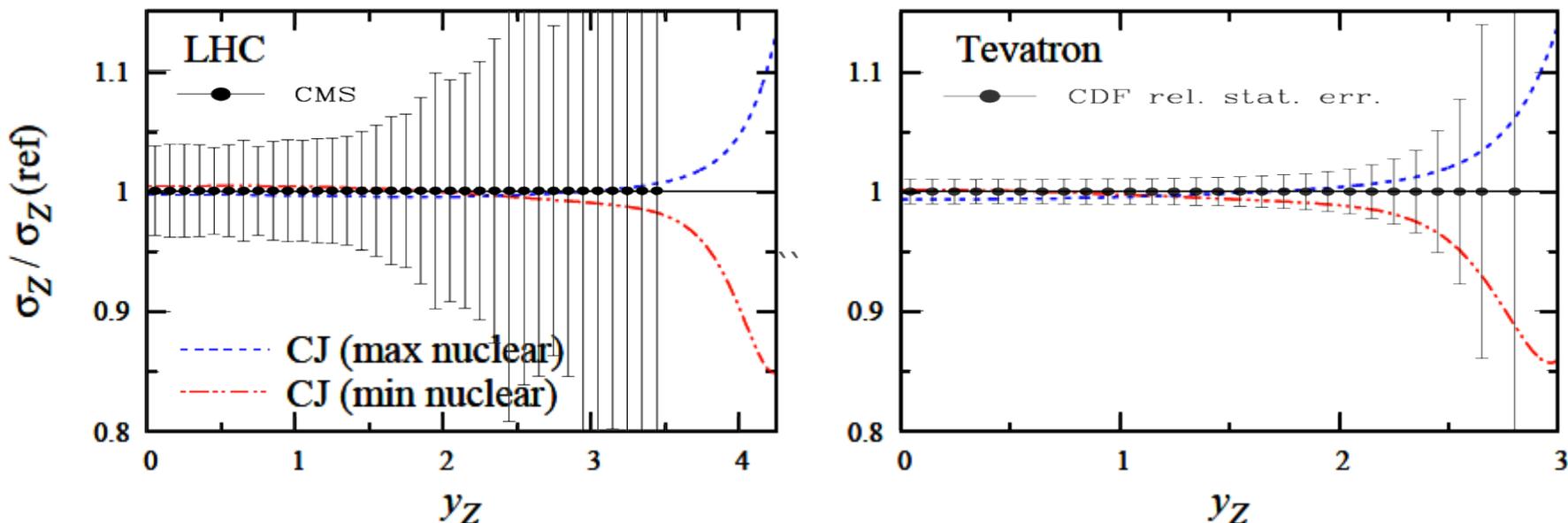


## Would be nice to reconstruct W at LHCb

- Definitely needs more statistics
- Is it at all possible?? (too many holes in detector?)
- Systematics in W reconstruction?
- **What about RHIC, AFTER@LHC?**

# Z rapidity distribution

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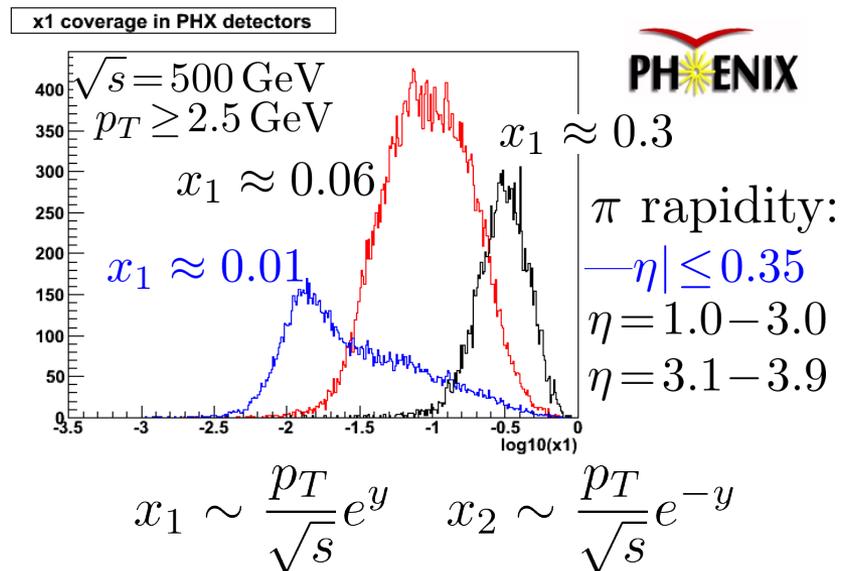
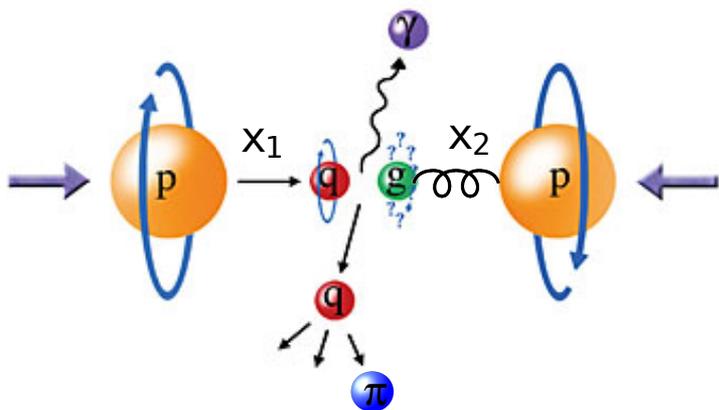


- ❑ Direct Z reconstruction is unambiguous in principle, but:
  - Needs better than 5-10% precision at large rapidity
  - Experimentally achievable?
    - At LHCb? RHIC? AFTER@LHC?
    - Was full data set used at Tevatron?

# Small x gluons at colliders: hadronic structure

- Gluon spin at small x at RHIC requires particle production at large y

$$\sigma(\vec{p}\vec{p} \rightarrow \pi^0 X) \propto \Delta q(x_1) \Delta g(x_2) \hat{\sigma}^{qg \rightarrow qg} D_q^{\pi^0}(z)$$



- Precise large-x PDFs needed:
  - to measure smallest-x gluon helicity

# Valence quarks at large $x$

□  $d/u$  quark ratio particularly sensitive to quark dynamics in nucleon

□ **SU(6) spin-flavor symmetry**

– proton wave function

$$p^\uparrow = -\frac{1}{3}d^\uparrow(uu)_1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}d^\downarrow(uu)_1 \\ + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6}u^\uparrow(ud)_1 - \frac{1}{3}u^\downarrow(ud)_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}u^\uparrow(ud)_0$$

interacting  
quark

spectator  
diquark

diquark spin

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– 50%  $(qq)_1$  50%  $(qq)_0$ ,  $u = 2d$  at all  $x$

$$\frac{d}{u} = \frac{1}{2} \implies \frac{F_2^n}{F_2^p} = \frac{2}{3}$$

# Valence quarks at large $x$

## Broken SU(6) : scalar diquark dominance

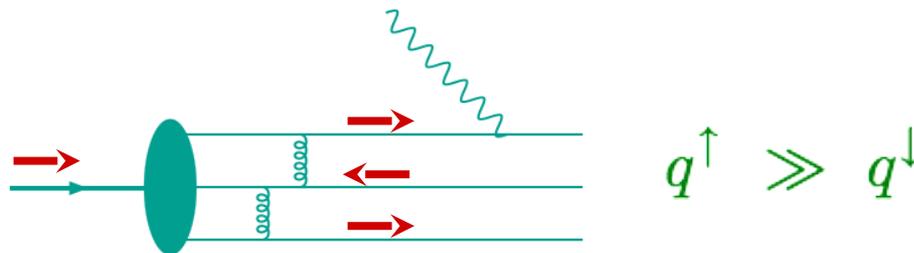
- $M_{\Delta} > M_N \Rightarrow (qq)_1$  has larger energy than  $(qq)_0$
- But only  $u$  quark couples to scalar diquark:

$$\frac{d}{u} \rightarrow 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \frac{F_2^n}{F_2^p} \rightarrow \frac{1}{4}$$

*Feynman 1972, Close 1973  
Close/Thomas 1988*

## Broken SU(6) : hard gluon exchange

- helicity of struck quark = helicity of struck hadron

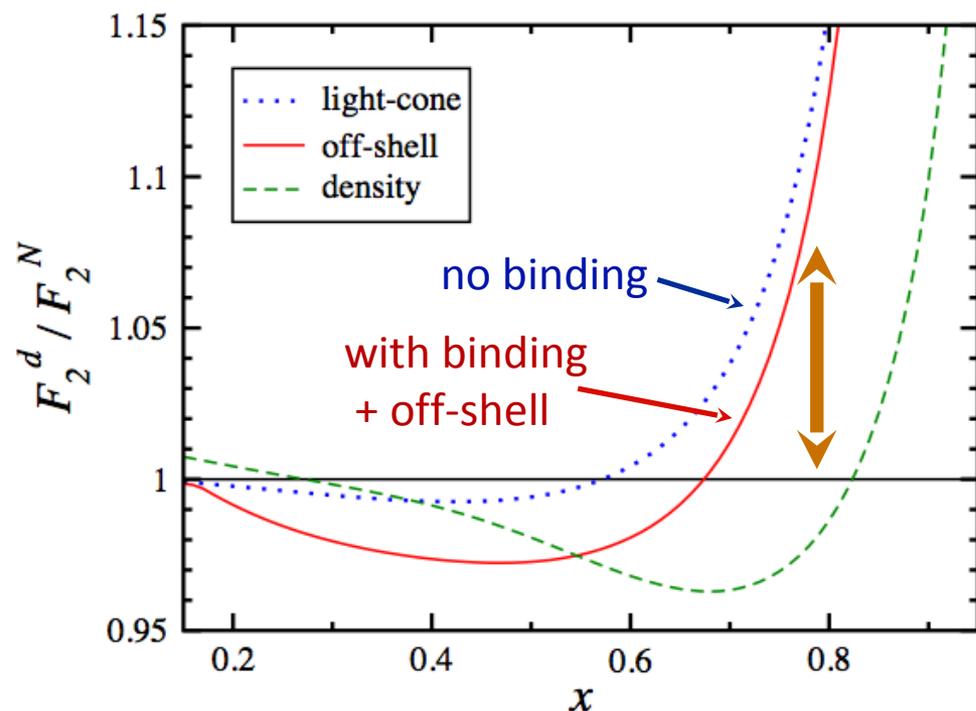


$$\frac{d}{u} \rightarrow \frac{1}{5} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \frac{F_2^n}{F_2^p} \rightarrow \frac{3}{7}$$

*Farrar, Jackson, 1975*

# Nuclear corrections

$$F_{2d}(x_B, Q^2) = \int_{x_B}^A dy \mathcal{S}_A(y, \gamma) F_2^{TMC+HT}(x_B/y, Q^2) \left( 1 + \frac{\delta^{off} F_2(x)}{F_2(x)} \right)$$



- Using off-shell model, obtains *larger neutron* (larger  $d$ ) than light-cone model
- But smaller *neutron* (larger  $d$ ) than no nuclear effects or density model