

Systematics of Deuteron Smearing Corrections in Global PDF fits

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The CTEQ-JLab global analysis

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□ Latest public release: CJ15

- A.A., Brady, Melnitchouk, Owens, Sato, PRD 93 (2016) 114017
- www.jlab.org/cj & Included in LHAPDF
- Working hard towards a new release
 - With JLab 6, SeaQuest, RHIC, LHC

□ All-x PDF global fits, focused on the “large”-x region

- Maximize use of large-x data (esp. DIS)
- Large-x / small- Q^2 theory corrections, nuclear corrections
- ***Quantitatively evaluate theoretical systematic errors***

35+ years of unpolarized global PDF fits

Large-x treatment

	JLab & BONUS	HERMES	HERA I+II	Tevatron W,Z	LHC, RHIC	v+A di- μ	Nucl. & offsh	HT TMC	Flex d	low-W DIS
CJ15 *	✓✓	✓	✓	✓	<i>in prog.</i>	X	✓✓	✓	✓	✓
CT18			✓	✓ ✖✖	✓	✓			✓	
MMHT14			✖✖✖	✓ ✖✖	✓	✓	✓			
NNPDF3.1			✓		✓	✓		TMC only		
ABMP16/AKP				✓ ✖✖	✓	✓	✓/✓	✓	(✓)	✓
HERAPDF2.0			✓	✖						

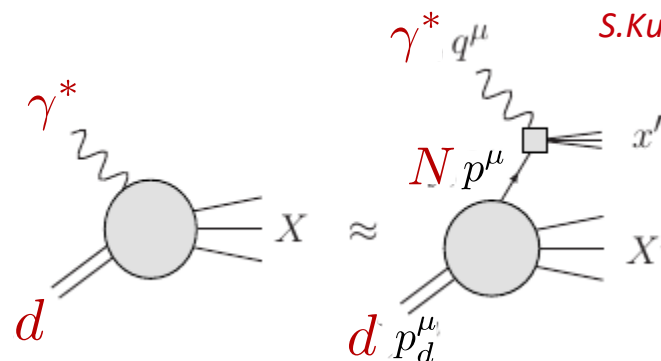
* NLO only ** No jet data ✖ see 1503.05221 ✖✖ see 1508.06621 ✖✖ no reconstructed W

Deuteron target 1: Fermi motion and binding

For details:
S.Kulagin, ML06

Weak binding approximation:

- Incoherent scattering from not too fast individual nucleons
- Neglects FSI



$$F_{2d}(x, Q^2) = \int \frac{dz}{z} dp_T^2 \mathcal{K}(z, p^2, \gamma) |\psi_{N/d}(|\vec{p}|)|^2 F_{2N}(x/z, Q^2, p^2)$$

kinematic and
“flux” factors

Nucleon wave function

structure function of
bound, off-shell
nucleon

$$\rightarrow z = \frac{p \cdot q}{p_d \cdot q} \approx 1 + \frac{p_0 + \gamma p_z}{M} \left[p_0 = M + \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon = \varepsilon_d - \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2M} \right]$$

momentum fraction of d carried by N

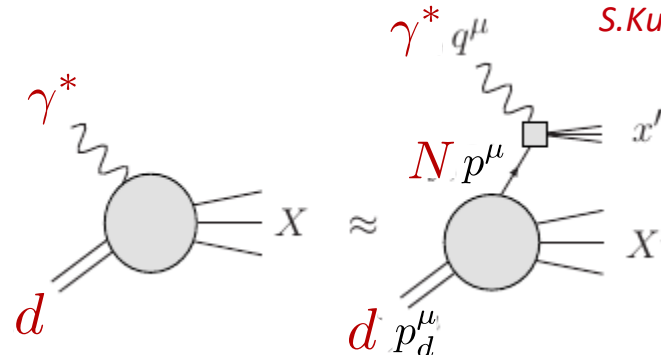
$$\rightarrow \text{at finite } Q^2, \gamma = \sqrt{1 + 4x^2 p^2 / Q^2}$$

quantifies how far the nucleon is from the light cone ($\gamma = 1$)

Deuteron target 2: off-shell corrections

For details:
S.Kulagin, ML.06

- Nucleons are bound in the deuteron:
 - $p^2 < M^2$
(but not too much if x not too large)
 - Structure functions are deformed



- Offshell expansion:
 - parametrize first order coefficient

$$F_{2N}(x, Q^2, p^2) = F_{2N}^{\text{free}}(x, Q^2) \left[1 + \frac{p^2 - M^2}{M^2} \delta f(x) \right]$$

Free proton, neutron
structure function

“offshell function”

- In CJ15:
 - parametrization inspired by Kulagin, Petti (2007)
 - x1 fixed by valence quark sum rule

$$\delta f(x) = C(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(1 + x - x_0)$$

Are we done with (nuclear) corrections?

❑ Not quite!

- Other nuclear corrections (shadowing, pion cloud, FSI, ...)
- **Nucleon-level corrections**, compounding smearing and off-shell

- Target Mass corrections $\sim M^2/Q^2$
- Higher-Twists (gluon FSI) $\sim A_{QCD}^2/Q^2$
- Pion threshold corrections $\sim M_\pi^2/Q$
- Other power corrections $\sim A_{???}^2/Q^2$

Attention:
non-linear interplay
of power and nuclear
corrections

- **Theoretical choices:**
 - Details of implementation, approximations
 - Wave function
 - Additive vs. multiplicative HT
 - Parametrization of off-shell function
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Theoretical choices →

Corrections (increasing-x)

	KP	AKP	CJ15	AKP-like
shadowing	yes	yes (which one?)	MST $x < 0.1$	(same)
smearing	Fans	AV18	AV18 $x > 0.1$	(same)
pi-cloud	yes	yes	yes	yes
TMC	GP O(Q4)?	GP O(Q4)??	GP approx.	(same)
HT	H (p=n ??)	H (p=n)	C (p=n)	H & C, p=n & p!=n
HT(x)	yes	yes	yes	yes
off-shell	yes	yes	yes	yes
df(x)	factorized	polyn. 2nd/3rd	factorized + sum rule	polyn. 2nd/3rd
pi thresh.	yes	yes	----	----

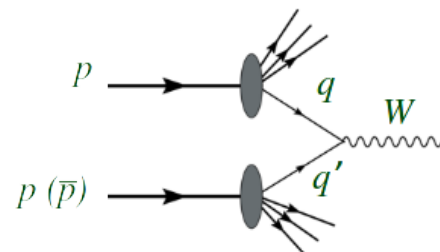
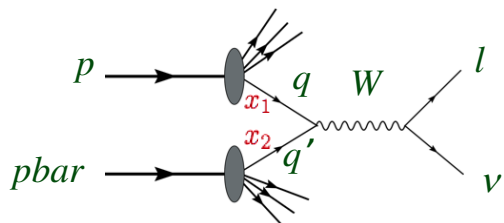
There is no “off-the-shelf” nuclear correction model:

➤ **Theory systematics potentially large!**

➤ **Users need to know, pay attention to detail (yes, read the papers without rush!)**

Interplay of observables

D0, CDF asymmetries

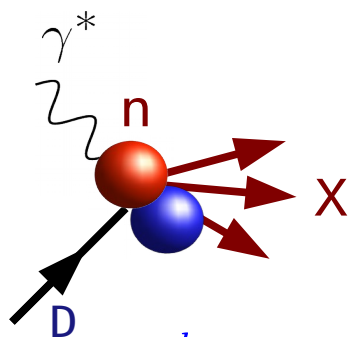


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nucl. + offsh. dynamics

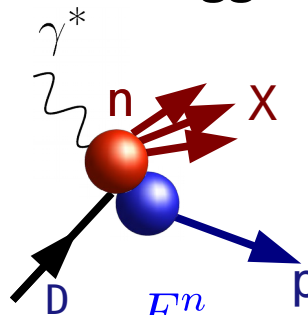
$$A_W(y) \xrightarrow{y \rightarrow y_{max}} \frac{1 - d/u(x_1)}{1 + d/u(x_1)}$$

Deep inelastic deuterium



$$F_2^d \propto \mathcal{S}_D \otimes [xu_{\text{off}}(x) + xd_{\text{off}}(x)]$$

“BONuS” tagged neutron target



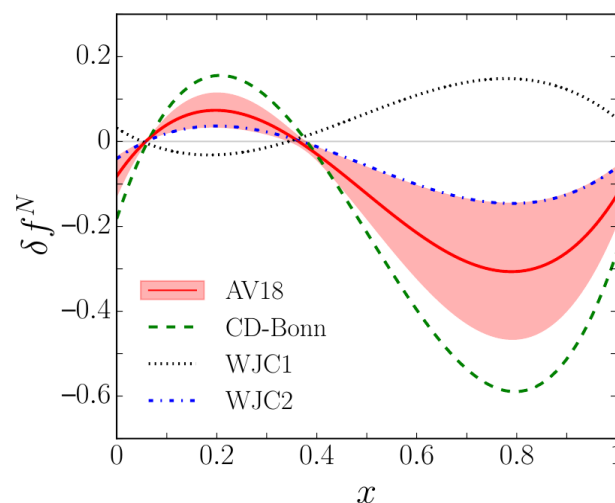
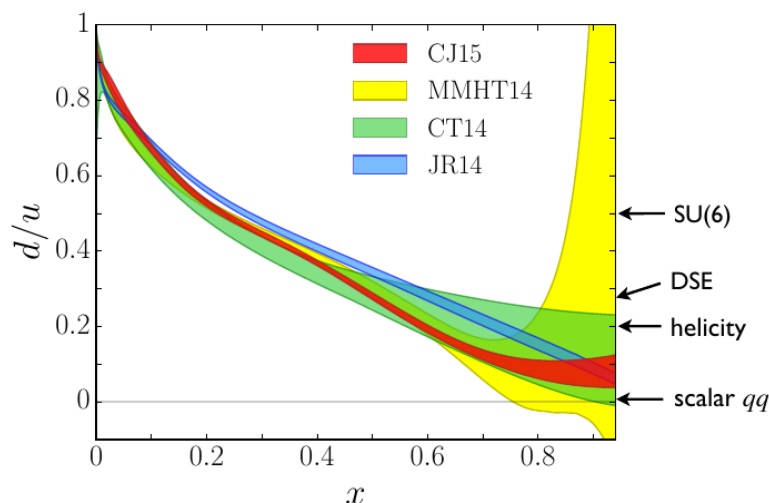
$$\frac{F_2^n}{F_2^d} \propto xu(x) + 4xd(x)$$

Universal fit: d/u and binding effects

Accardi, Brady, Melnitchouk, Owens, Sato, PRD93 (2016) 114017

□ d/u and binding at the same time

- confinement at large x (using flexible large- x d-quark)
- bound nucleon corrections in deuteron PDFs



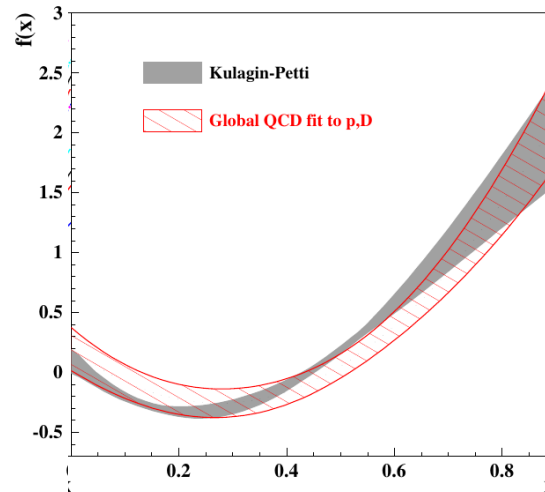
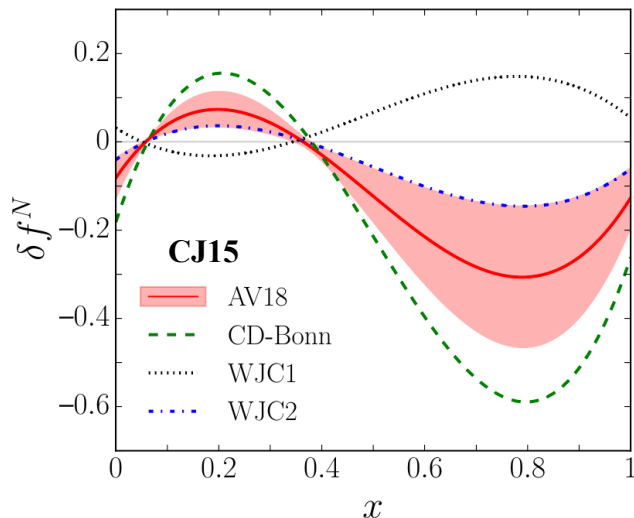
□ Opens novel possibilities: test nuclear theory ideas against other data:

- Test “EMC effect” models (of course)
- On the lattice: “nucleon response to external color field”
- ...

The elephant in the room

□ Compare to Alekhin-Kulagin-Petti (2017)

- Same functional form (but different normalization)



*Kulagin, Petti (e+A fits),
NPA 765 (2006) 126*

*Alekhin + KP (e+d global fits)
PRD96 (2017) 054005*

*CJ15:
PRD 93 (2016) 114017*

- Different shape and size ?!?

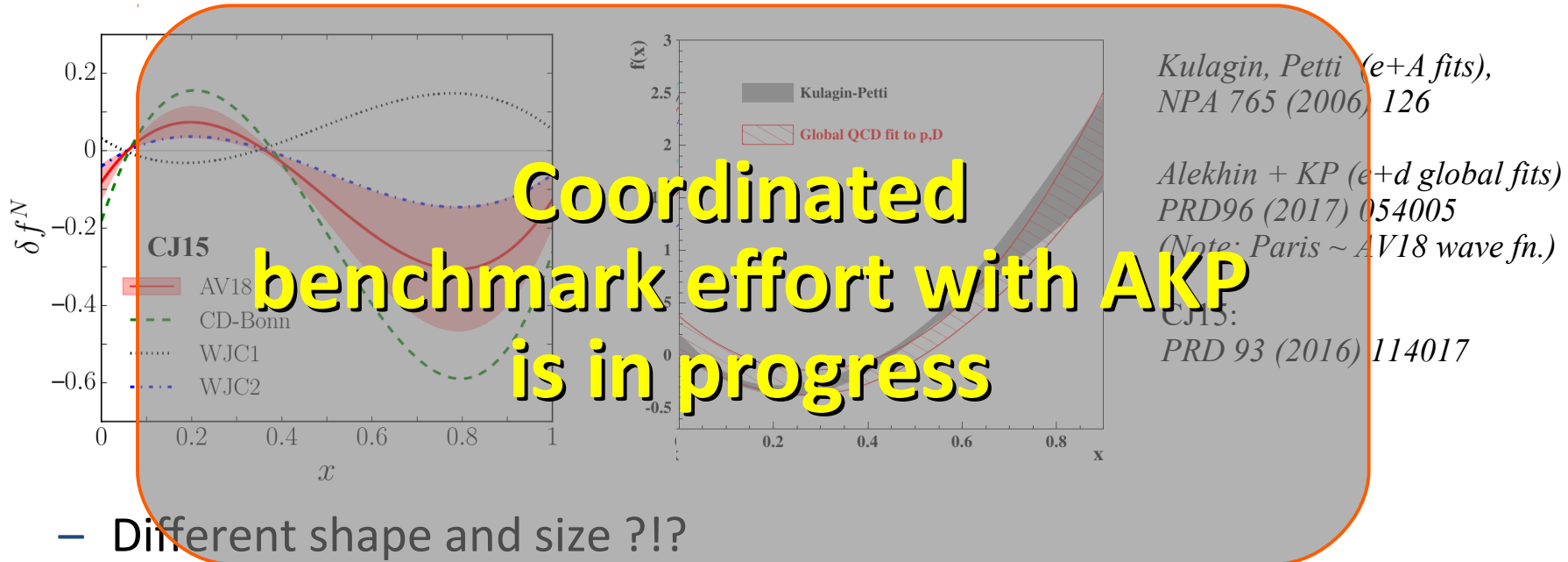
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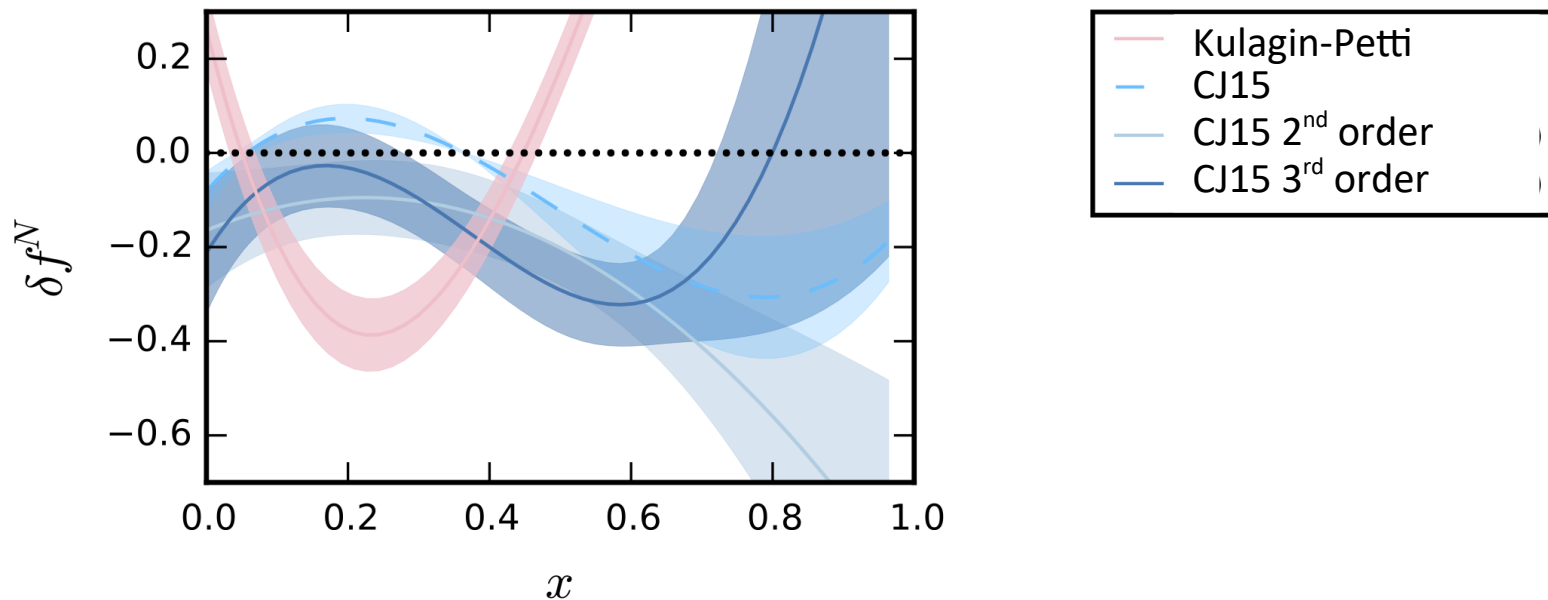
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number sum rule

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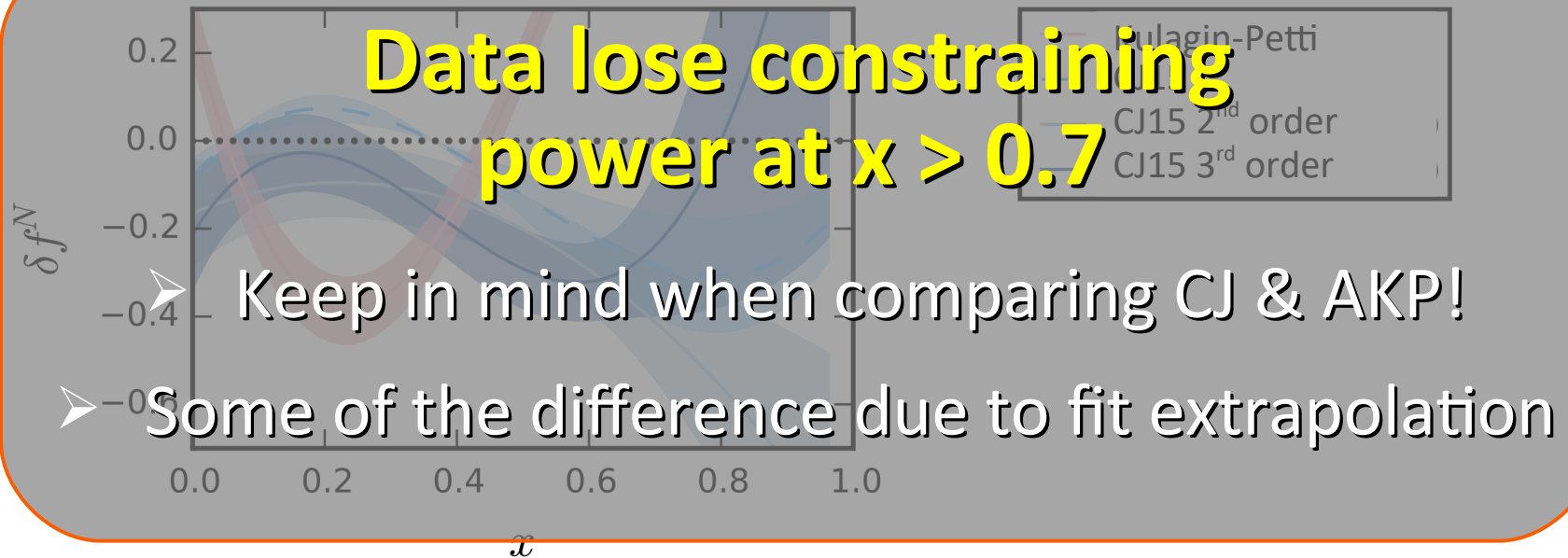


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HT assumptions

□ 2 sets of choices – 4 combinations:

- Isospin symmetric $HT(p) = HT(n)$ vs. asymmetric $HT(p) \neq HT(n)$
- Additive vs. Multiplicative (with Q^2 -independent coefficients)

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = F_2^{LT}(x, Q^2) + \frac{H(x)}{Q^2}$$

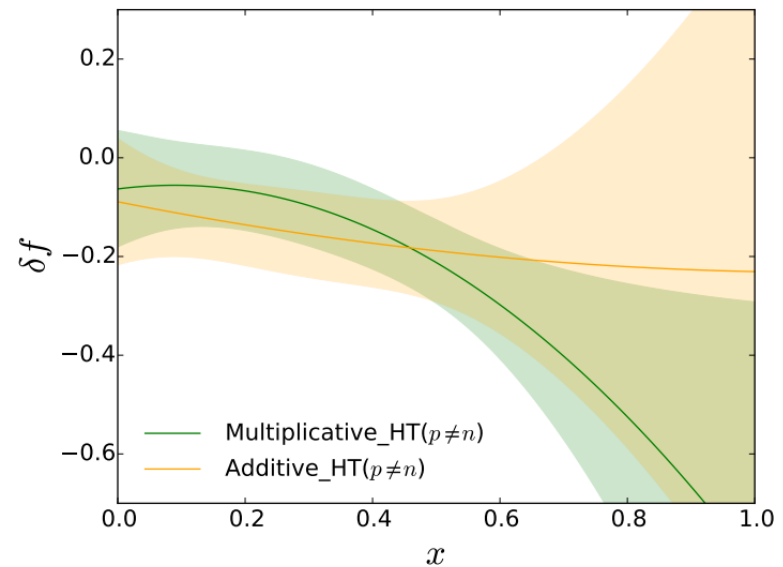
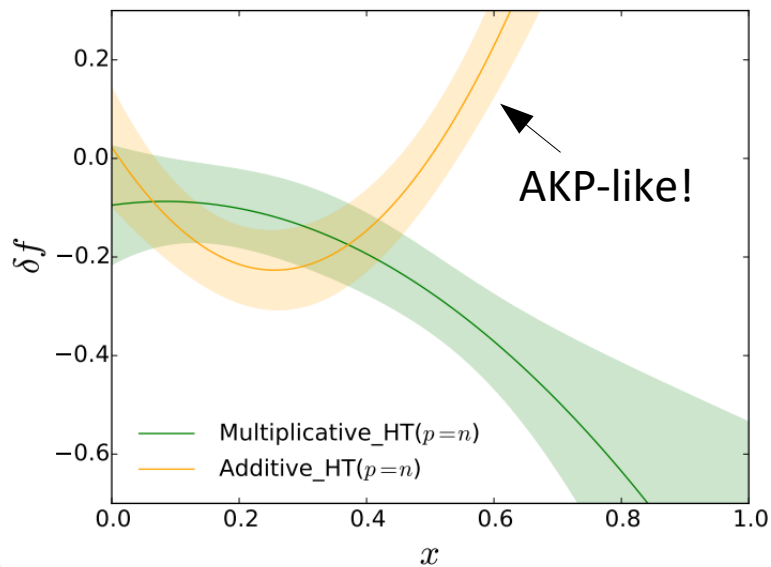
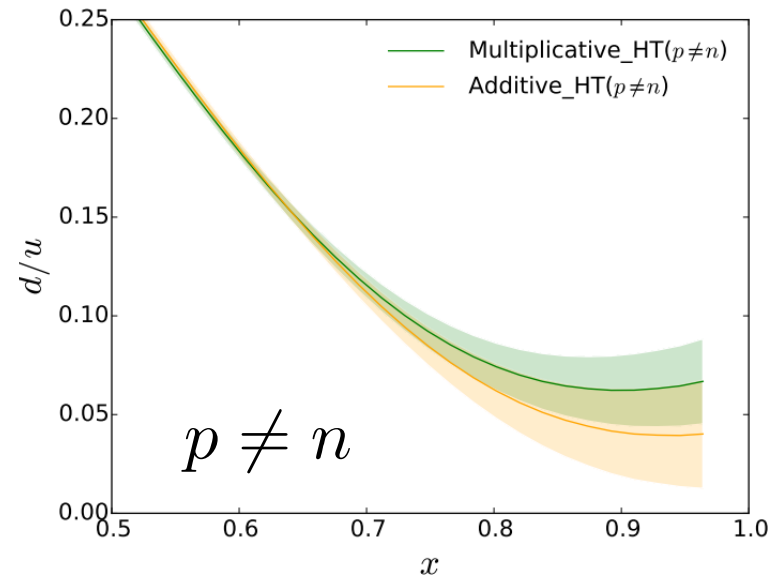
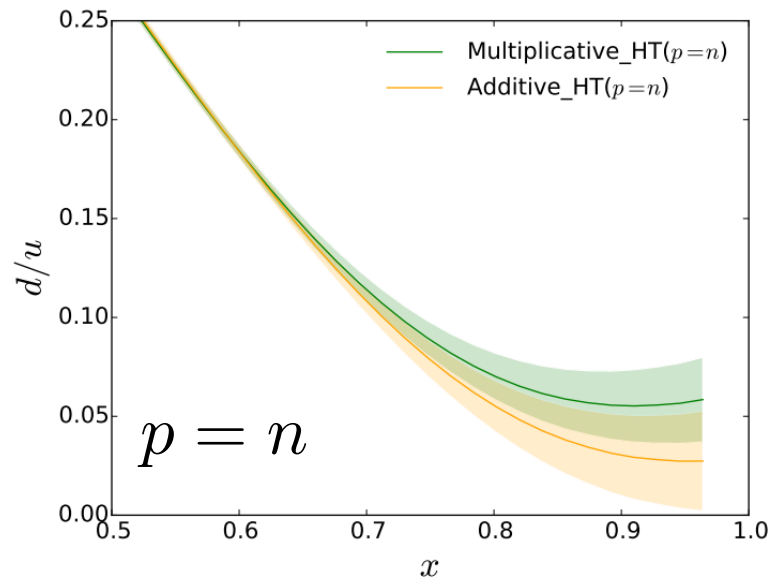
$$F_2(x, Q^2) = F_2^{LT}(x, Q^2) \left(1 + \frac{C(x)}{Q^2} \right)$$

□ **Note:** any given HT choice also effectively imposes isospin dependence, Q^2 evolution prescriptions!

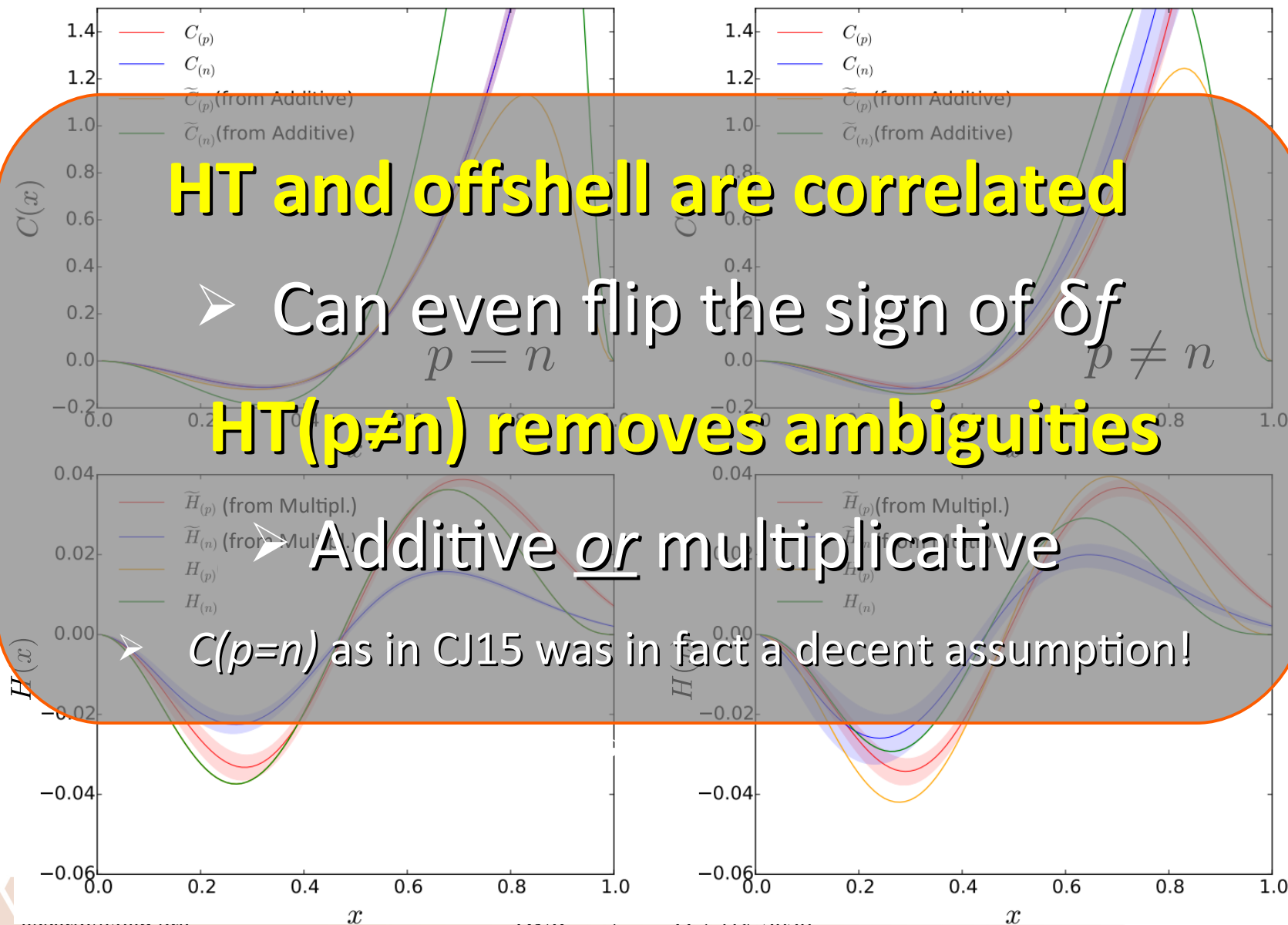
e.g., a Q^2 -independent, isospin symmetric multiplicative HT generates an equivalent additive HT that depends on both

$$\tilde{H}_{p,n}(x, Q^2) = C(x) F_{2p,n}^{LT}(x, Q^2)$$

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HT and offshell are correlated

➤ Can even flip the sign of δf

HT($p \neq n$) removes ambiguities

➤ Additive or multiplicative

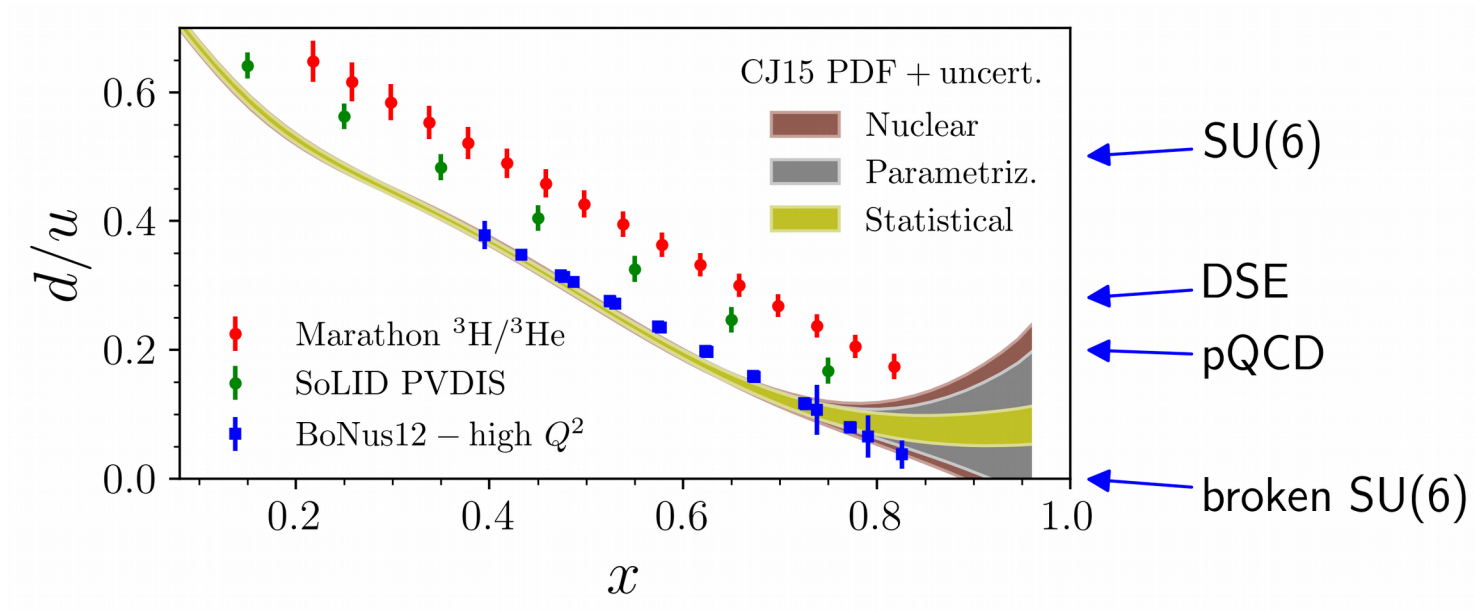
➤ $C(p=n)$ as in CJ15 was in fact a decent assumption!

Summary and outlook

Controlled PDFs at large x

□ CJ15: well controlled large- x PDF + nuclear correction model

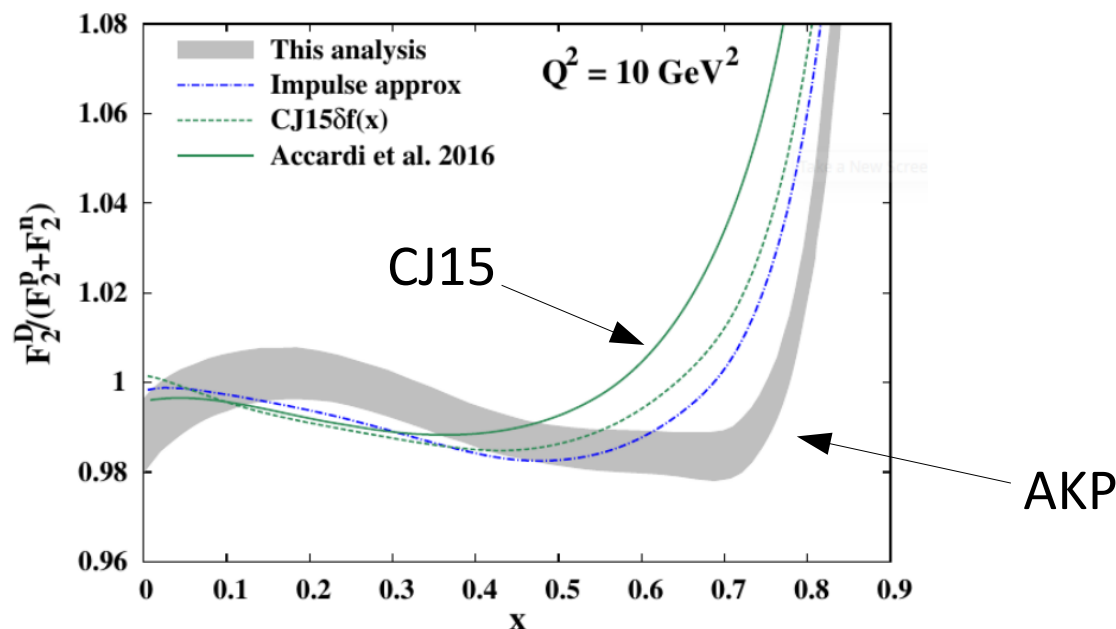
- ABPM16/AKP similar framework
- cross-check, evaluation of systematics



- Nuclear uncertainty larger than indicated above
 - Only $\Delta(\text{w.fn.})$ in the plot
 - But we have seen more sources of nuclear uncertainty

Nuclear model uncertainties

- The D/N ratio is somewhat less controlled

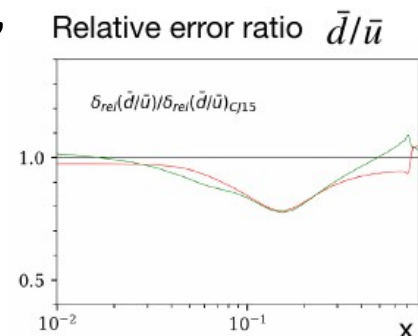


- Lots of differences in theoretical and fitting choices
- Take, provisionally, as magnitude of current theoretical systematics
- **Benchmark in progress with AKP**

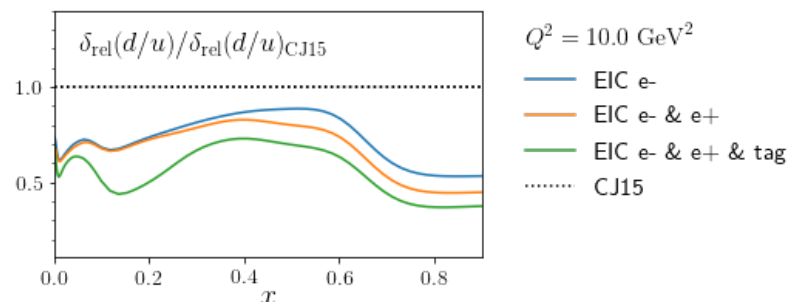
Outlook

Needs precise nucleus-free “control observables”

- W, Z from RHIC & LHC(b) – **in progress!**
M.Posik, ML.04
 ... and SeaQuest
A. Tadepalli, ML.07
w/ X.Jing, S.Li, S.Park
- BoNus12, Marathon*, SoLID PVDIS
E.Christy, KL.04 *M.Petratos, KL.02*
- EIC: **w/ X.Jing, S.Li & the IRWG**
 - weak currents, tagged e+D
 - PVDIS, positron beam



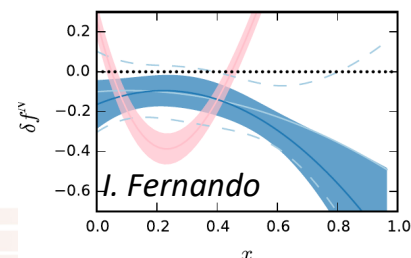
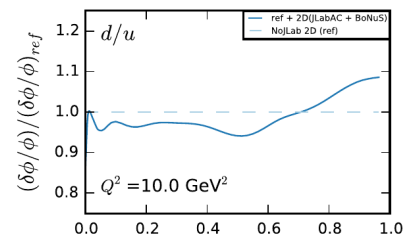
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...plus more bread & butter p, d DIS

- Full JLab 6 DIS data set – **in progress!**
w/ I.Fernando, S.Li
- **DIS @ Jlab 12!**

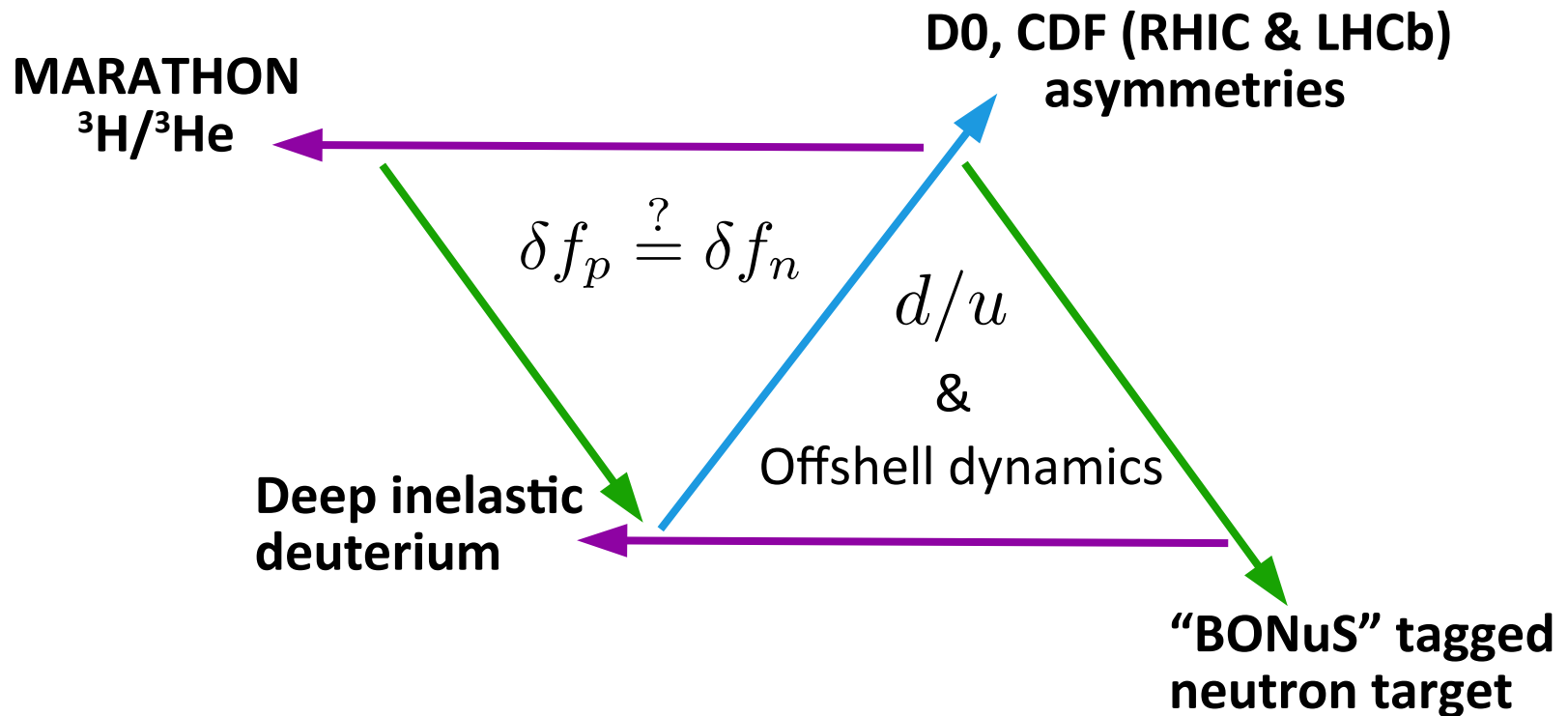
Overview: S. Malace, KL.01



* Not quite “nuclear-free”... see Tropiano et al. PRC 99 (2019)

The Marathon parallelogram

- Can extend the CJ15 triangle to a parallelogram
 - and verify if off-shell protons \sim off-shell neutrons !!



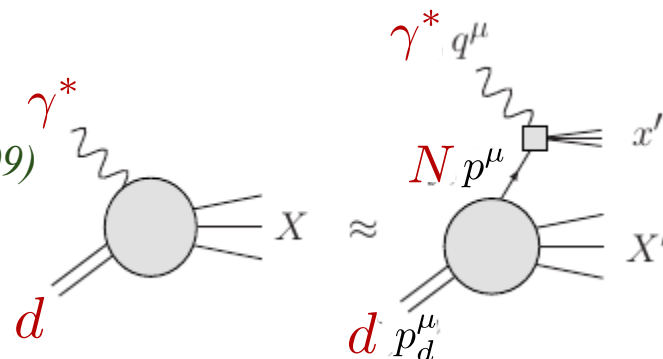
Backup

Deuteron target summary

□ Smearing function representation

→ e.g., Kahn et al., PRC 79 (2009)

- Precalculate the p_T^2 integral
- Obtain a “simple” formula:



$$F_{2D}(x, Q^2) = \left(\mathcal{S}_0 \otimes F_{2N}^{\text{free}} \right)(x, Q^2) + \left(\mathcal{S}_1 \otimes F_{2N}^{\text{free}} \delta f_2 \right)(x, Q^2)$$

(on-shell)
smearing function

offshell
smearing function

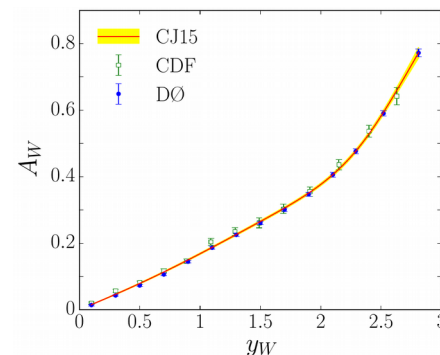
offshell deformation
of the F2 str.fn.

where: $(\mathcal{S} \otimes F)(x) = \int \frac{dy}{y} \mathcal{S}(y) F(x/y)$

$$\mathcal{S}_n(y) = \int dp^2 \left(\frac{p^2 - M^2}{M^2} \right)^{2n} \mathcal{K}(z, p^2, \gamma) |\psi_{N/d}(|\vec{p}|)|^2$$

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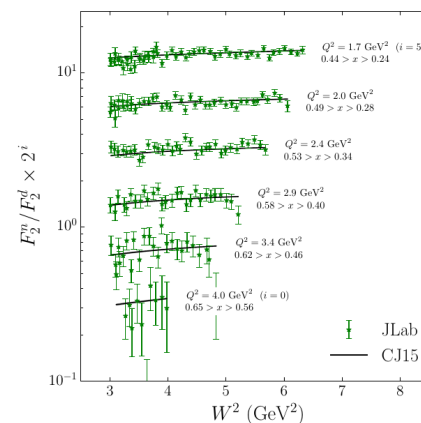
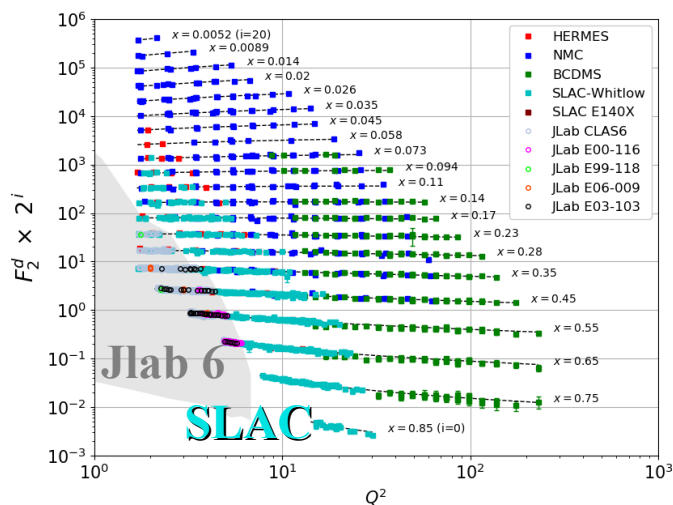


d-quark at largest x
on proton targets

Deep inelastic
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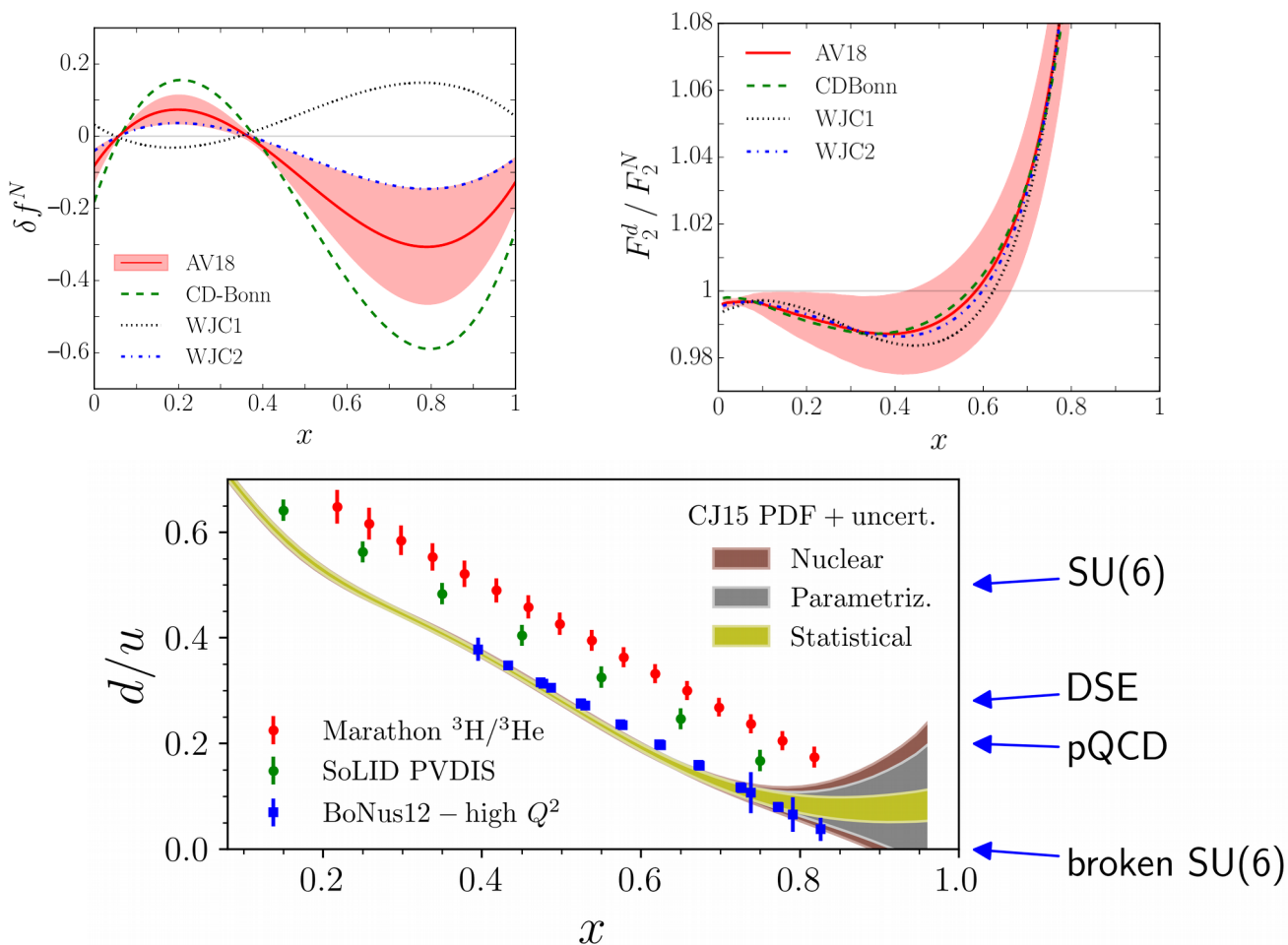
Offshell dynamics

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Nuclear wave function dependence

- Partly absorbed by the d-quark to give stable $F_2(D)$ fits
 - But χ^2 prefers AV18



HT assumptions

