

EPPS16 – First nuclear PDFs to include LHC data

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Collinear factorization in nuclei

- Factorization theorem

$$d\sigma^{AB \rightarrow k+X} \stackrel{Q \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{=} \sum_{i,j,X'} f_i^A(Q^2) \otimes d\hat{\sigma}^{ij \rightarrow k+X'}(Q^2) \otimes f_j^B(Q^2) + \mathcal{O}(1/Q^2)$$

parton distribution functions

hard-scattering coefficient

- The coefficient functions $d\hat{\sigma}^{ij \rightarrow k+X'}$ are perturbatively calculable

... but the parton distribution functions (PDFs) contain long-range physics and cannot be obtained by perturbative means

- However, the PDFs are *universal*, process independent, and obey the DGLAP equations

$$Q^2 \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial Q^2} = \sum_j P_{ij} \otimes f_j$$

- For a nucleus A , one has

$$f_i^A(x, Q^2) = \frac{Z}{A} f_i^{p/A}(x, Q^2) + \frac{N}{A} f_i^{n/A}(x, Q^2) \quad (\text{per nucleon}),$$

where the neutron content is obtained via isospin symmetry

Current global nPDF analyses

	EPS09	DSSZ	nCTEQ15	KA15	EPPS16
Order in α_s	LO & NLO	NLO	NLO	NNLO	NLO
NC DIS $1A/1d$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DY pA/pd	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
RHIC pions dAu/pp	✓	✓	✓		✓
νA DIS		✓			✓
πA DY					✓
LHC pPb jets					✓
LHC pPb W, Z					✓
Q cut in DIS	1.3 GeV	1 GeV	2 GeV	1 GeV	1.3 GeV
datapoints	929	1579	708	1479	1811
free parameters	15	25	16	16	20
error analysis	Hessian	Hessian	Hessian	Hessian	Hessian
error tolerance $\Delta\chi^2$	50	30	35	?	52
Free proton PDFs	CTEQ6.1	MSTW2008	CTEQ6M-like	JR09	CT14
HQ treatment	ZM-VFNS	GM-VFNS	GM-VFNS	ZM-VFNS	GM-VFNS
Flavour separation	no	no	valence	no	full
Weight data in χ^2	yes	no	no	no	no
Reference	JHEP 0904 065	PR D85 074028	PR D93 085037	PR D93 014026	EPJ C77 no.3, 163

EPPS16

improvements
over EPS09

completely new data types, twice as many data points → **more constraints**

general mass formalism, undo isospin corrections → **better details**

more free parameters, free flavours, no data weighting → **less biased** 3/11

EPPS16 parametrization

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- Define nPDFs in terms of **nuclear modifications**

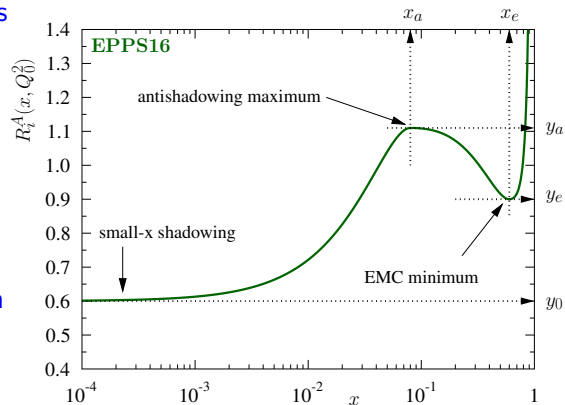
$$f_i^{p/A}(x, Q^2) = R_i^A(x, Q^2) f_i^p(x, Q^2)$$

- Parametrize the x and A dependence of $R_i^A(x, Q_0^2)$ at $Q_0^2 = m_{\text{charm}}^2$

- For the first time, we allow parametric **freedom for all flavours**

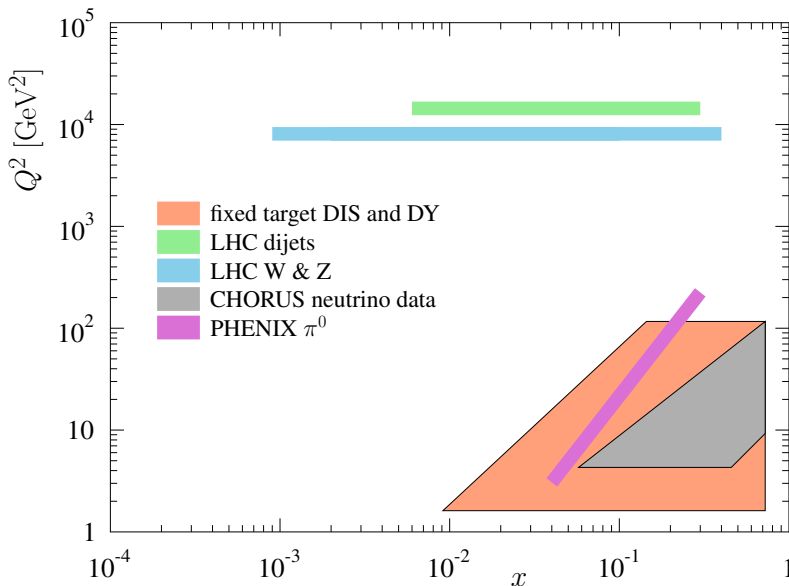
$$R_{u_V}^A(x, Q_0^2) \neq R_{d_V}^A(x, Q_0^2)$$

$$R_{\bar{u}}^A(x, Q_0^2) \neq R_{\bar{d}}^A(x, Q_0^2) \neq R_{\bar{s}}^A(x, Q_0^2)$$



Kinematic reach of the current data

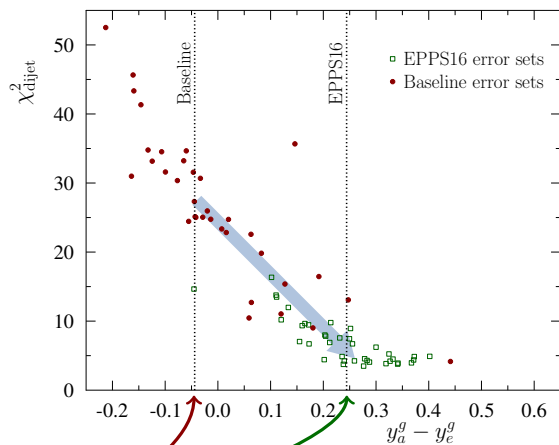
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- Data much more restricted in x, Q^2 space than for proton PDFs
- The LHC data opens a new kinematic region
- The νA DIS and πA DY give complementary mid/high- x information

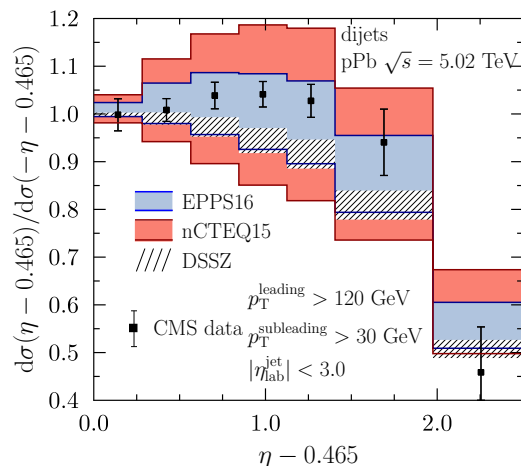
Impact of CMS dijet data

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Fit without dijet data \rightarrow no gluon EMC effect

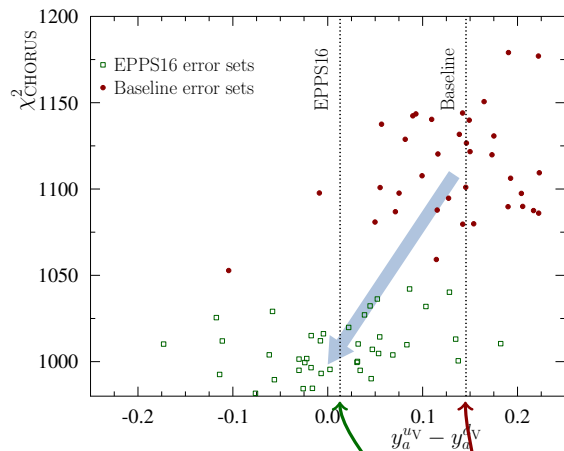
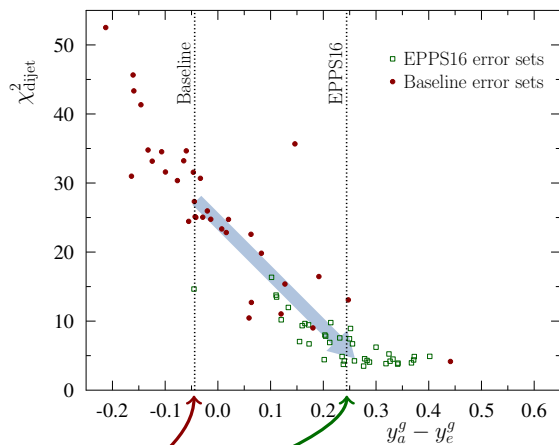
Fit with dijet data \rightarrow gluon EMC effect



- nCTEQ15 has large uncertainties due to not having these data in the fit
- DSSZ + CT14 not compatible with these data

Impact of CMS dijet and CHORUS neutrino data

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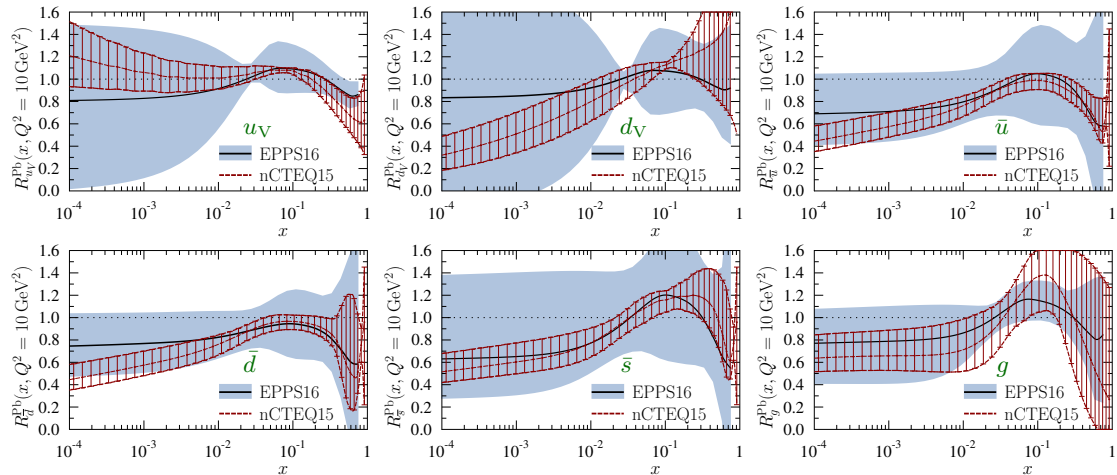
Fit with dijet data \rightarrow gluon EMC effect

Fit without neutrino data \rightarrow different $R_{uV}^A(x, Q_0^2)$ and $R_{dV}^A(x, Q_0^2)$

Fit with neutrino data \rightarrow similar $R_{uV}^A(x, Q_0^2)$ and $R_{dV}^A(x, Q_0^2)$

Comparison between EPPS16 and nCTEQ15

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- EPPS16 error bands are typically larger but less biased
- nCTEQ15 has
 - less freedom in parametrization → smaller apparent uncertainties in general
 - harder Q^2 cut and no LHC data → larger high- x gluon uncertainties
- Asymmetric valence modifications in nCTEQ15 possibly due to isospin-symmetric DIS data + no νA DIS

Comparison between EPPS16, EPS09 and DSSZ

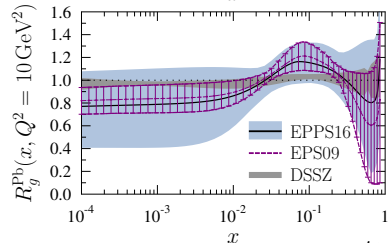
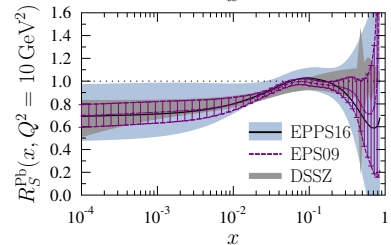
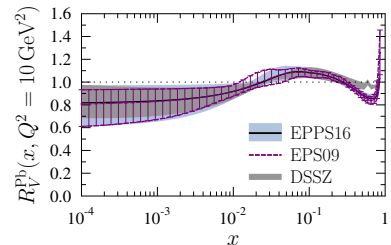
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- No flavour freedom in EPS09 nor DSSZ
→ Compare the averages

$$R_V^{\text{Pb}} \equiv \frac{u_V^{\text{p/Pb}} + d_V^{\text{p/Pb}}}{u_V^{\text{p}} + d_V^{\text{p}}}$$

$$R_S^{\text{Pb}} \equiv \frac{\bar{u}^{\text{p/Pb}} + \bar{d}^{\text{p/Pb}} + \bar{s}^{\text{p/Pb}}}{\bar{u}^{\text{p}} + \bar{d}^{\text{p}} + \bar{s}^{\text{p}}}$$

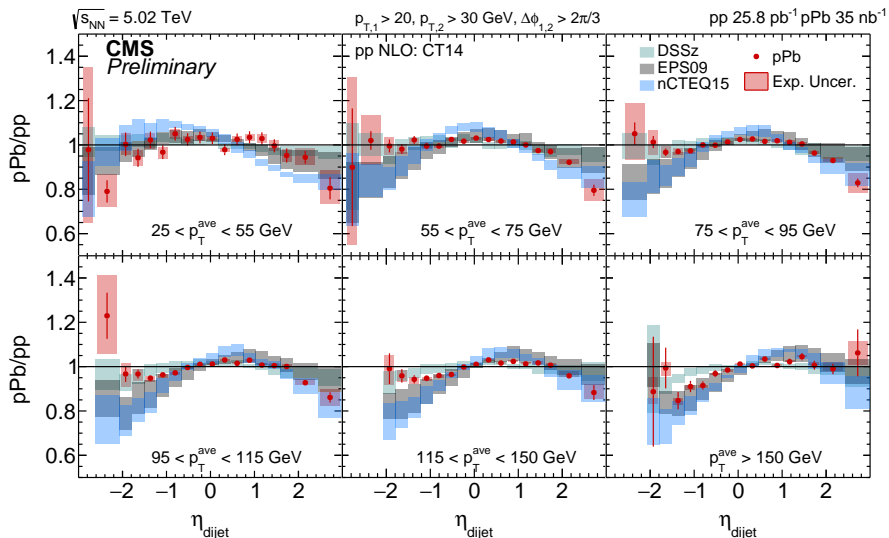
- All three appear consistent (except DSSZ large- x valence quarks)
- EPPS16 sea quark uncertainties larger due to more degrees of freedom (flavour dependence)
- EPS09 gluon uncertainties smaller due to artificial weight for PHENIX data (no gluon modifications in DSSZ due to including nuclear effects in FFs)
- EPPS16 error bands are larger but less biased



Summary

- The most important new ingredients in EPPS16:
 - CMS dijets → new constraints for mid/high- x gluons
 - Neutrino DIS data → $R_{uV}^A(x, Q_0^2) \sim R_{dV}^A(x, Q_0^2)$
 - Full flavour dependence → less biased but larger uncertainties
- A consistent fit for wide variety of observables and kinematic range from $Q = 1.3$ GeV up to the EW scale can be achieved
 - Supports collinear factorization and universality of nPDFs
- EPPS16 nPDFs with error sets available from:
 - <https://www.jyu.fi/fysiikka/en/research/highenergy/urhic/nPDFs>
 - LHAPDF
- We look forward to more high-precision data from LHC pPb
 - Currently analyzing the impact of the more differential CMS dijet measurement

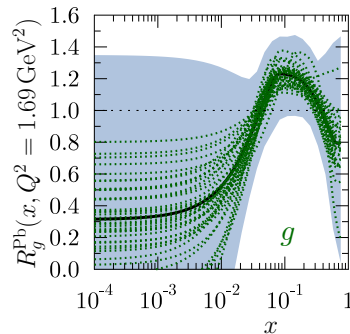
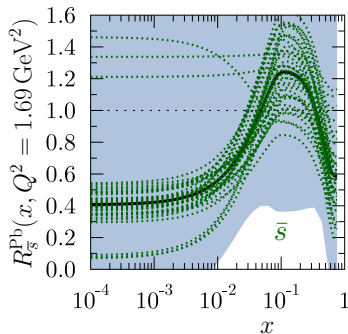
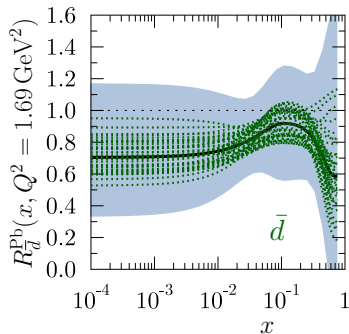
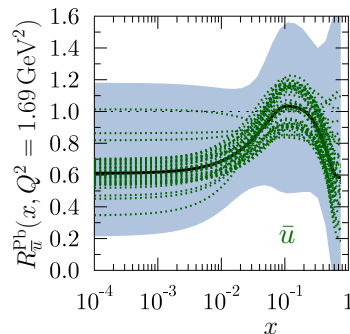
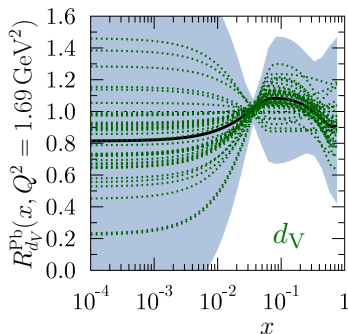
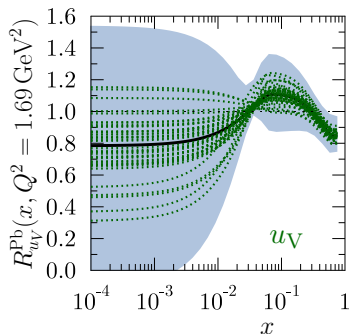
CMS dijets



- Direct dijet R_{pPb} now possible with the new pp baseline measurement
- Preliminary data [[CMS-PAS-HIN-16-003](#)]
- Sensitive to gluons in a wide x range roughly from 0.8 to 10^{-3}

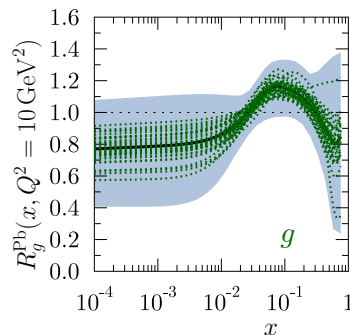
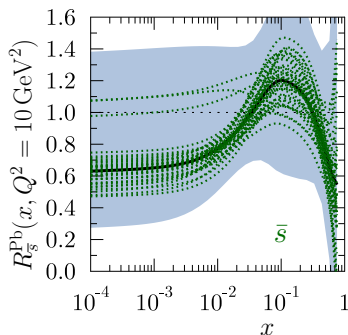
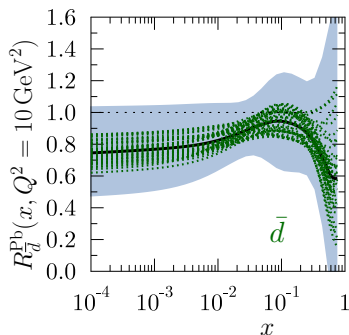
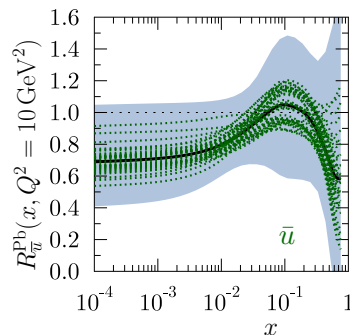
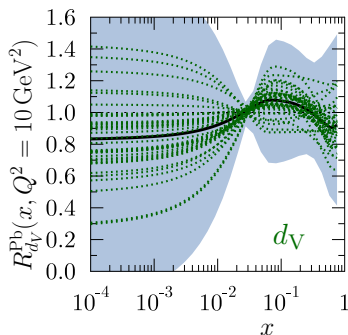
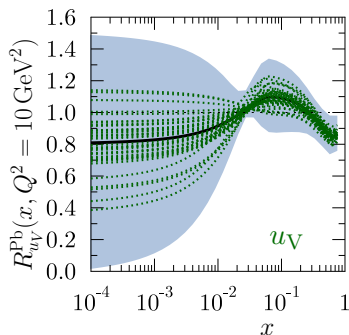
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- Total uncertainties shown as blue bands, individual error sets in green



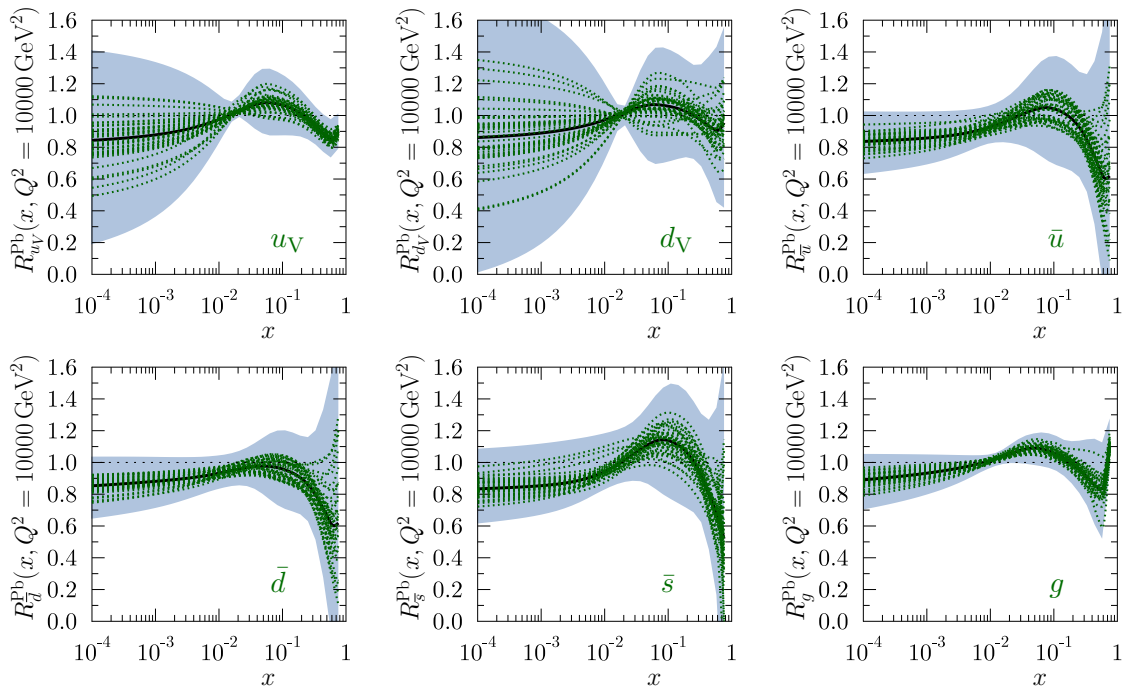
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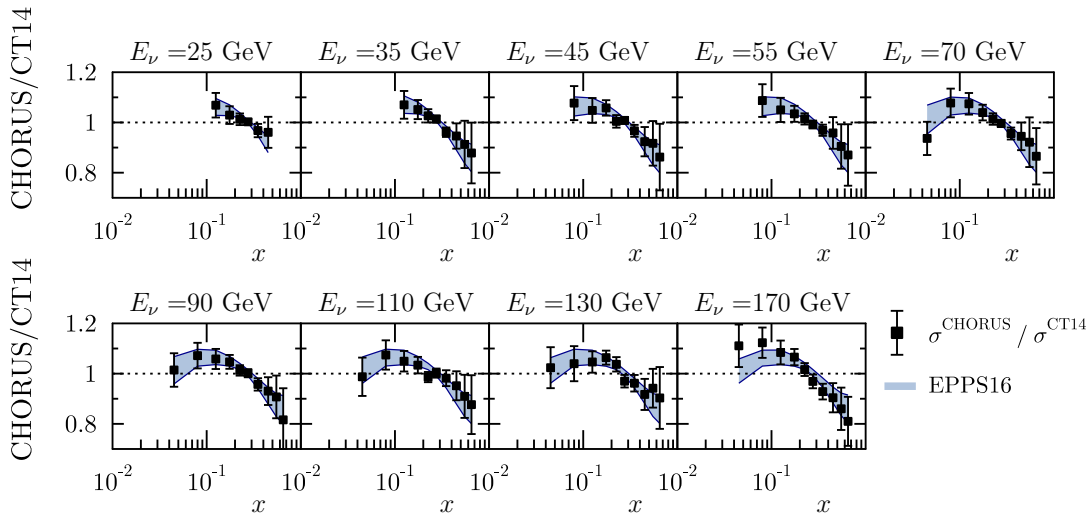
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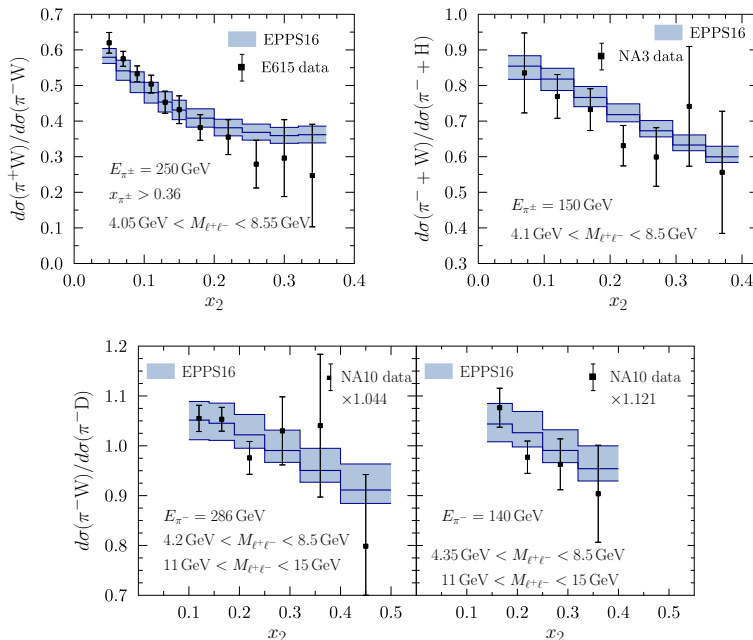
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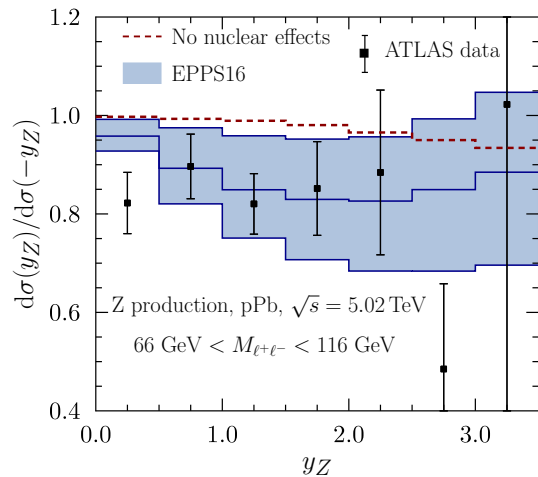
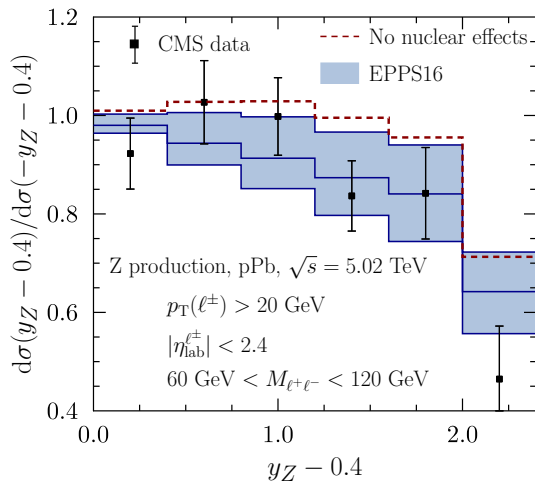


- Familiar pattern of antishadowing + EMC effect
- Important for constraining the flavour separation



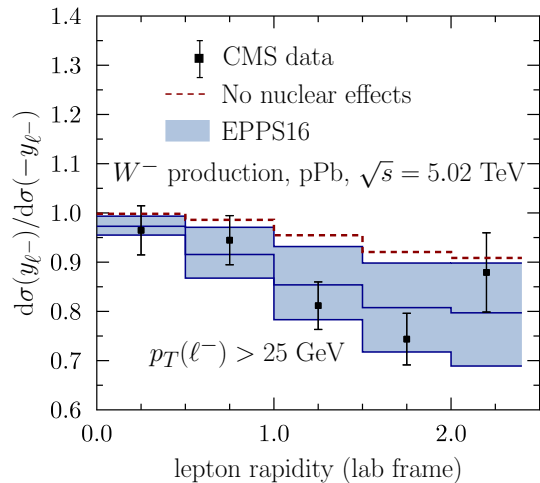
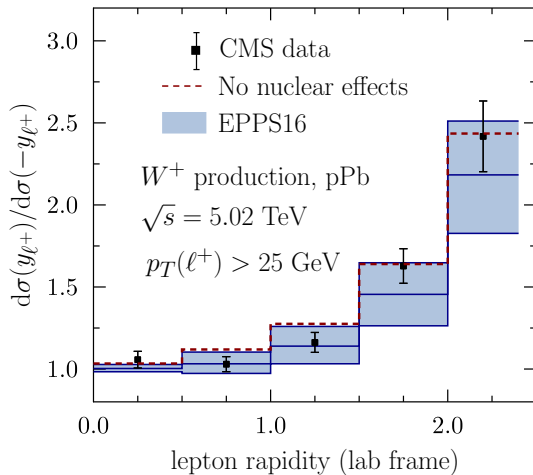
- Also sensitive to the flavour separation [Phys.Lett. B768 7-11], but has less constraining power than νA DIS

Z production vs. EPPS16

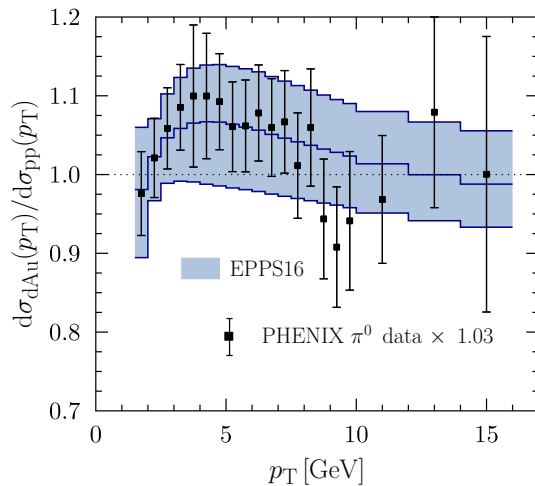
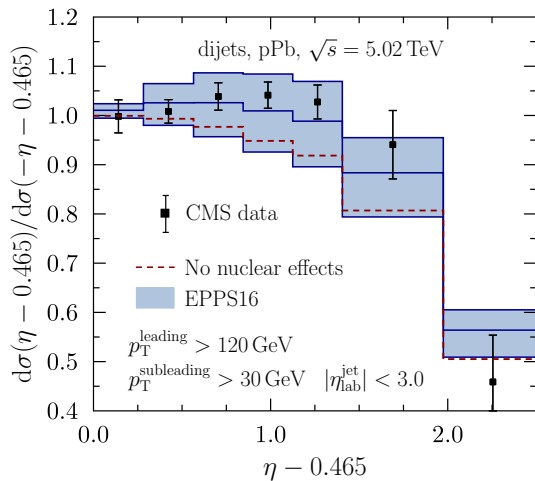


- Good agreement, data support small- x net nuclear shadowing
- Obtainable constraints limited by low statistics

W production vs. EPPS16



- Good agreement, data support small- x net nuclear shadowing
- More data needed for better constraints

CMS dijets + PHENIX π production vs. EPPS16

- Data support gluon antishadowing + EMC effect
- PHENIX data were included already in EPS09, but with a weight
 - EPPS16: no weights \rightarrow More realistic error estimates

Why are the quark uncertainties so large?

- There is a subtle interplay with isospin
- For example, we can write

$$f_{uV}^A = \left(R_{uV+dV}^A - \frac{A-2Z}{A} R_{uV-dV}^A \right) \frac{f_{uV}^p + f_{dV}^p}{2}$$

$$f_{dV}^A = \left(R_{uV+dV}^A + \frac{A-2Z}{A} R_{uV-dV}^A \right) \frac{f_{uV}^p + f_{dV}^p}{2}$$

where

$$R_{uV+dV}^A = \frac{f_{uV}^{p/A} + f_{dV}^{p/A}}{f_{uV}^p + f_{dV}^p}$$

$$R_{uV-dV}^A = \frac{f_{uV}^{p/A} - f_{dV}^{p/A}}{f_{uV}^p + f_{dV}^p}$$

and the neutron excess $\frac{A-2Z}{A} \approx 0.2$ for Pb

- Need high-precision data on non-isoscalar nuclei to constrain the difference

