



# Hadron Mass Effects on Kaon production on deuteron

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Hadronic Physics with Lepton and  
Hadron Beams  
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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...

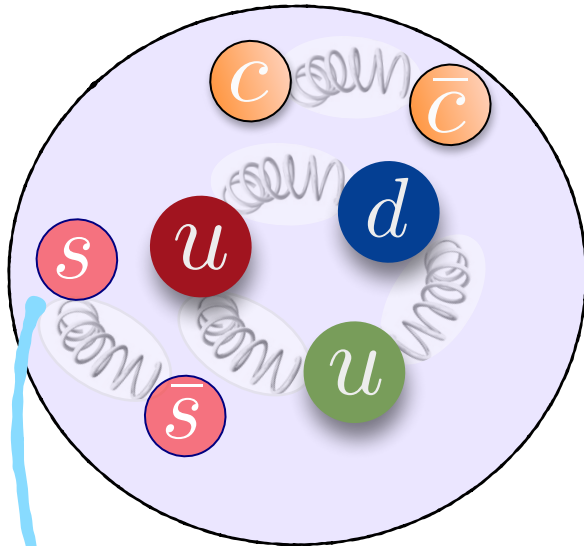
# What can we see inside a proton?

## 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.

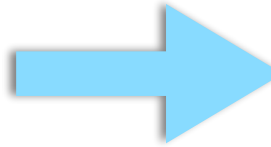


Interested in the s-quark.

# Strange quark PDF

How can we access the s-quark PDF?

one way

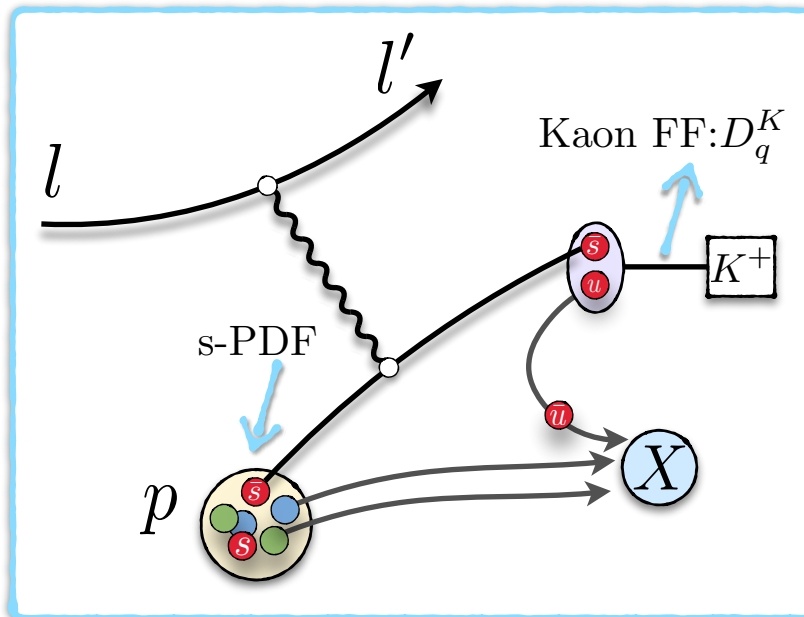


“Tagging” Kaon in Hard Scattering reactions

For example:

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

$h = K$



- Kaon contains an s-quark in their valence structure.
- Detect a Kaon: good proxy for a strange quark
- BUT:  $m_K \simeq 0.5 \text{ GeV}$   
Not necessarily negligible at HERMES and COMPASS experiments

# How to tag s-quarks?

- ✓ Use “integrated Kaon Multiplicities”

Experimentally  
HERMES, COMPASS:

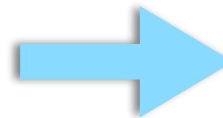
$$M_{exp}^K = \frac{\int_{exp} dQ^2 \int_{0.2}^{0.8} dz_h \frac{dN^K}{dx_B dQ^2 dz_h}}{\int_{exp} dQ^2 \frac{dN^e}{dx_B dQ^2}}$$

Theoretically

LO, neglect masses:

$$M^K = \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 q(x_B) \int_{0.2}^{0.8} dz_h D_q^h(z_h)}{\sum_q e_q^2 q(x_B)} = s(x_B) \int dz_h D_s^K(z_h) + \text{light quarks}$$

Comparing these two expressions



Extract the s-quark PDF.

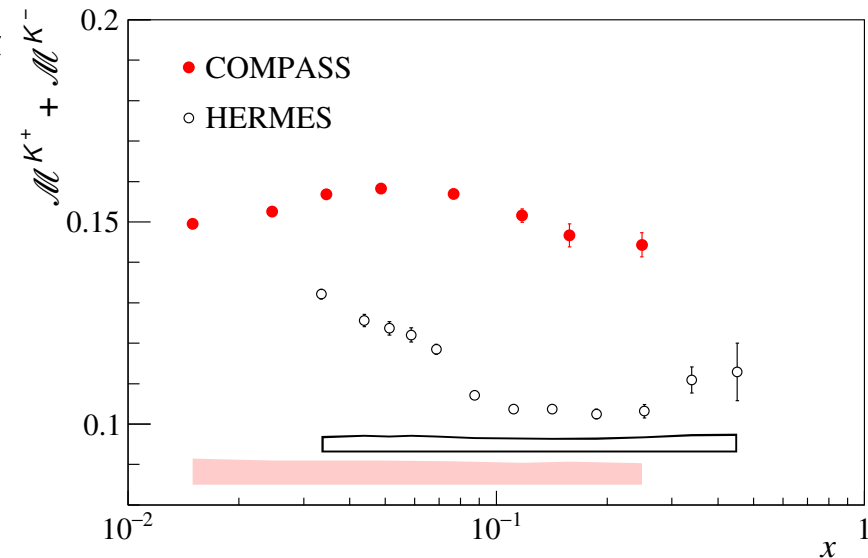
# Integrated Kaon Multiplicities: SIDIS on Deuteron

## ● 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.

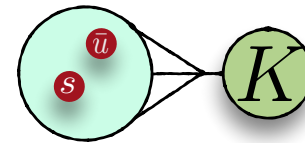
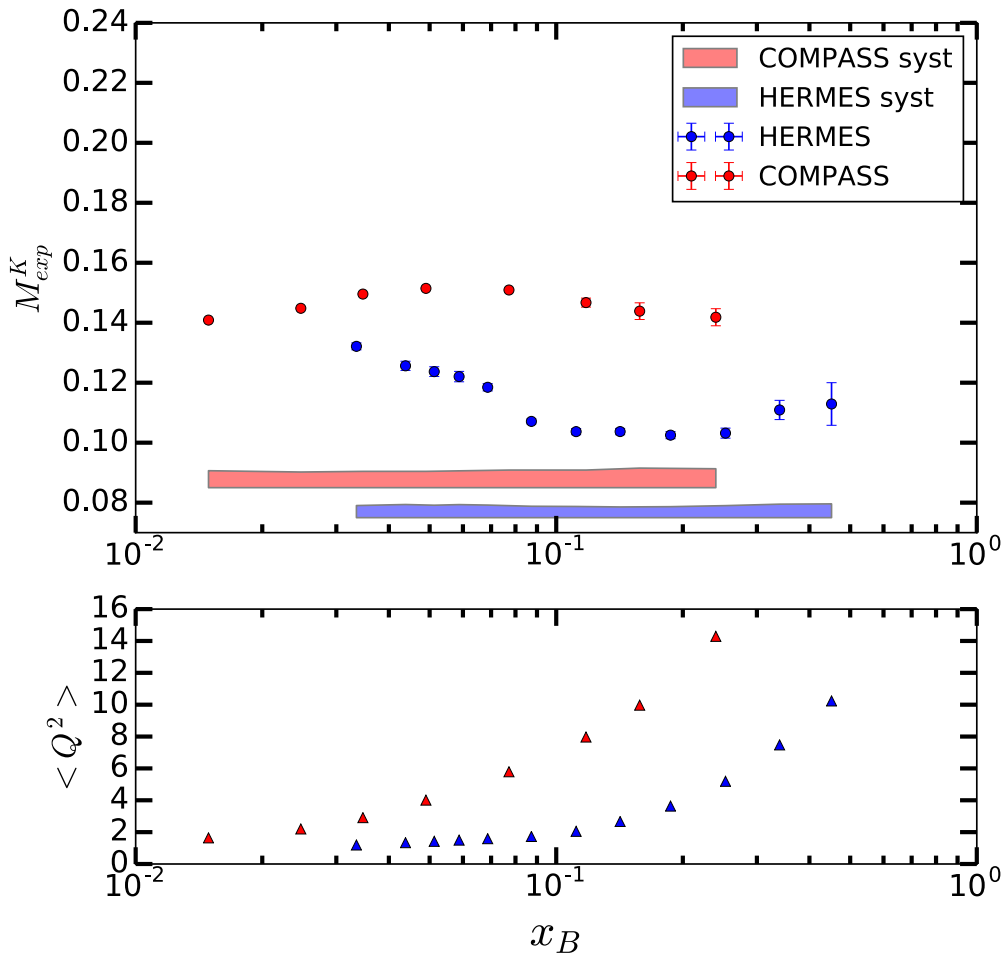


Where does this discrepancy come from?

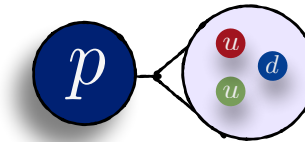
Is it real or apparent?

# 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 masses are not  
so negligible!**

# Hadron Mass Effects

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

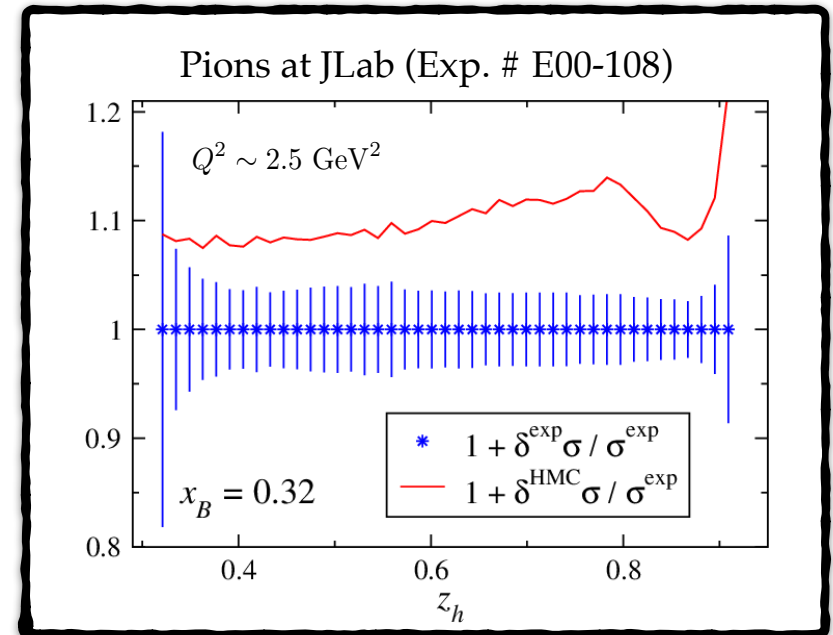
Jefferson Lab experiments:

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



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

$$m = M_P, m_\pi$$

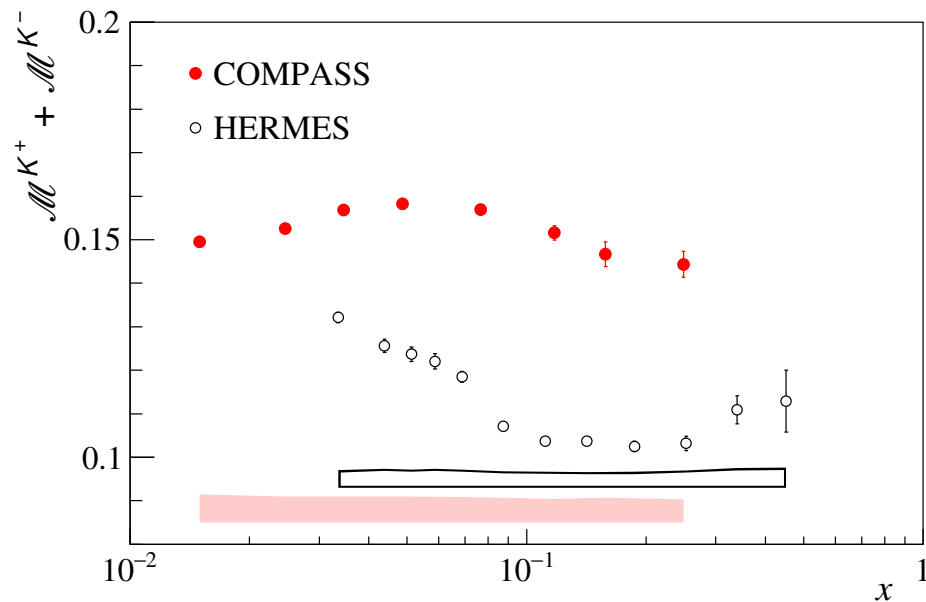


Accardi et al JHEP 0911, 084 (2009)

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

# Hadron Mass Effects

## Back to Kaons:



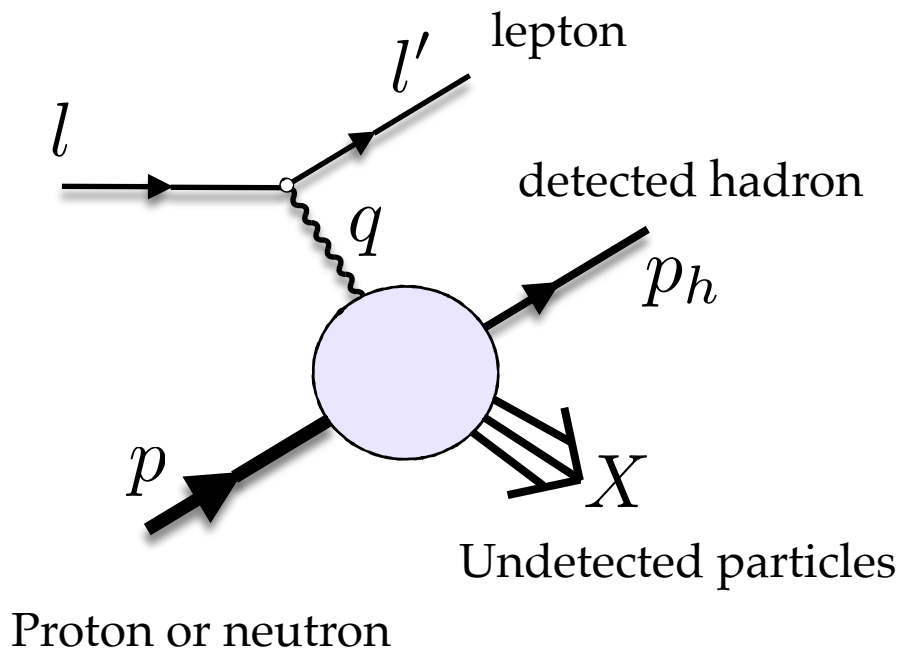
HERMES & COMPASS: relatively low  $Q^2$ ,  $m_K^2 \sim 12m_\pi^2$



**Could the discrepancy be due to  $m_K^2/Q^2$  effects?**



# SIDIS Kinematics Variables



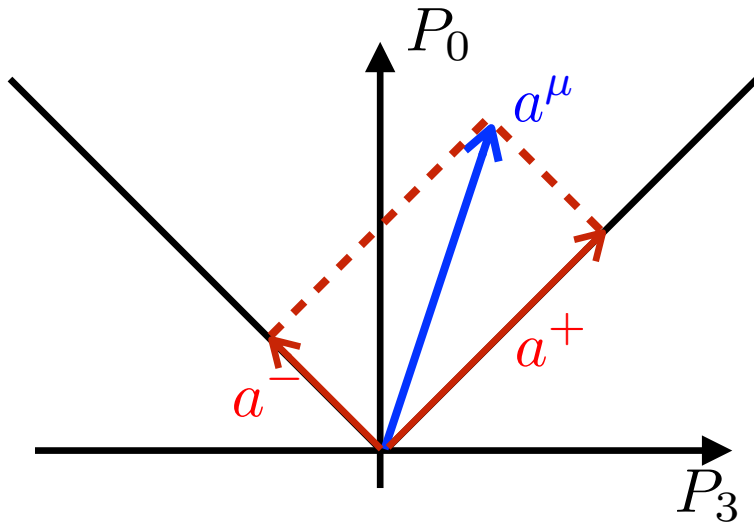
## DIS invariants

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

## SIDIS invariants

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

# 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:  $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty \quad \xi \rightarrow x_B$

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

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

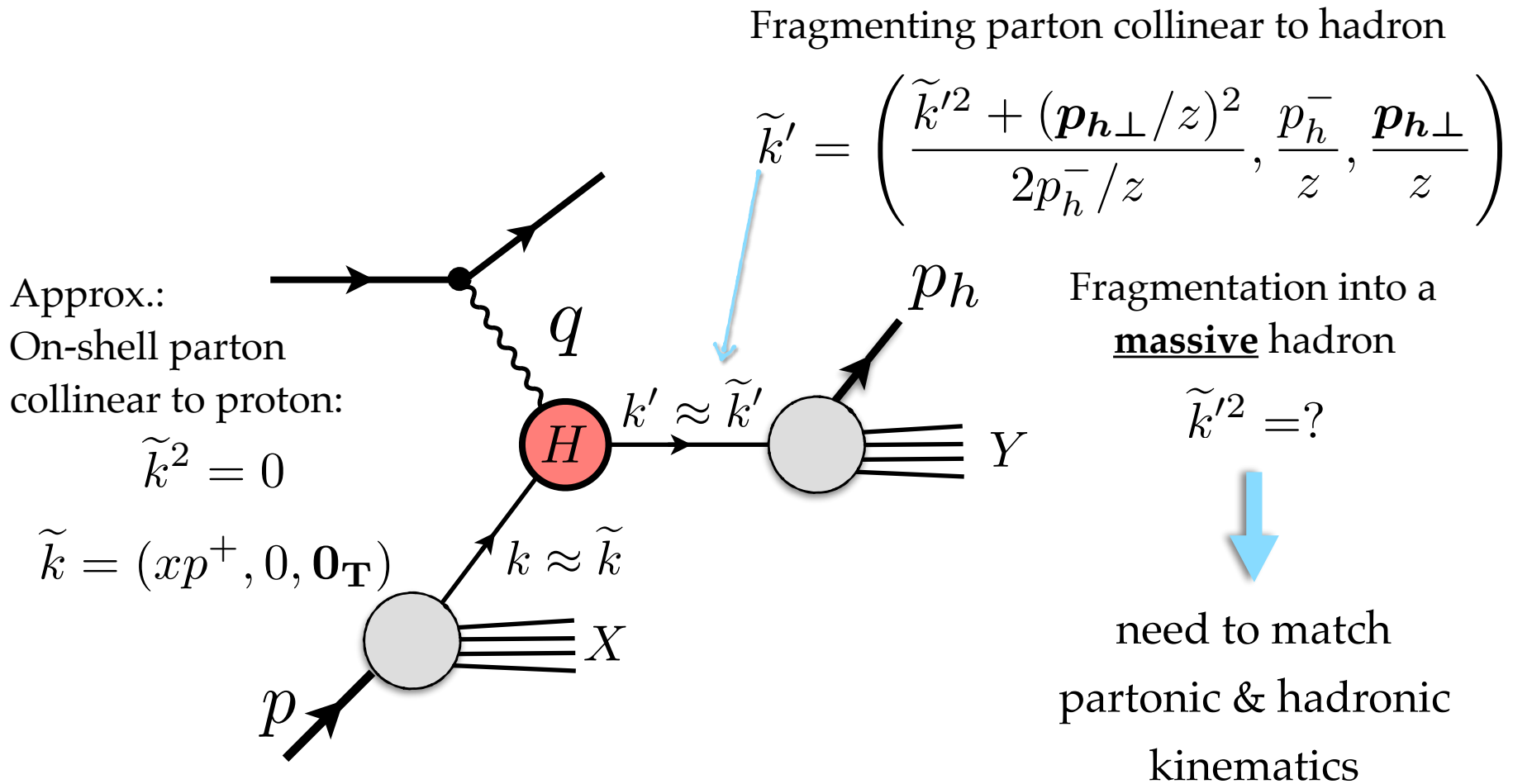
Fragmentation:

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

Bjorken limit:  $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty \quad \zeta_h \rightarrow z_h$

# Collinear momenta

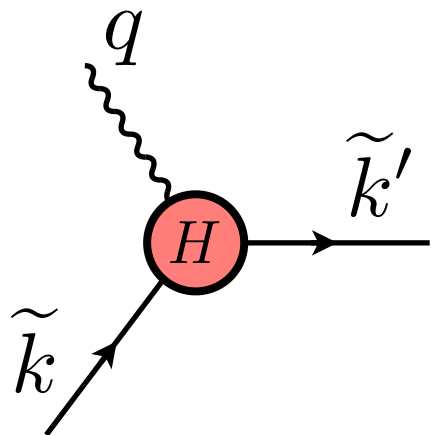
- (p,q) frame: p and q are collinear and have zero transverse momentum



# Matching Hadronic and Partonic Kinematics at LO

**Hard scattering:** 4-momentum conservation at LO

$$H_{LO}(k, k') \approx H_{LO}(\tilde{k}, \tilde{k}') \propto \delta^{(4)}(q + \tilde{k} - \tilde{k}') \quad \text{respects gauge invariance} \quad \checkmark$$



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

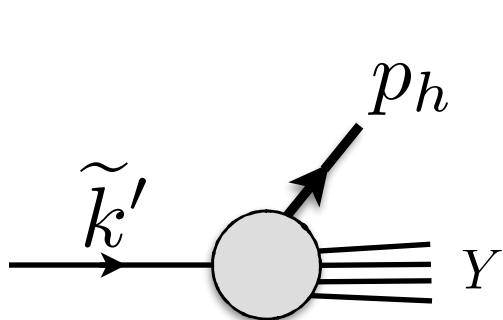
$$z = \zeta_h$$

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  $x_B$ .

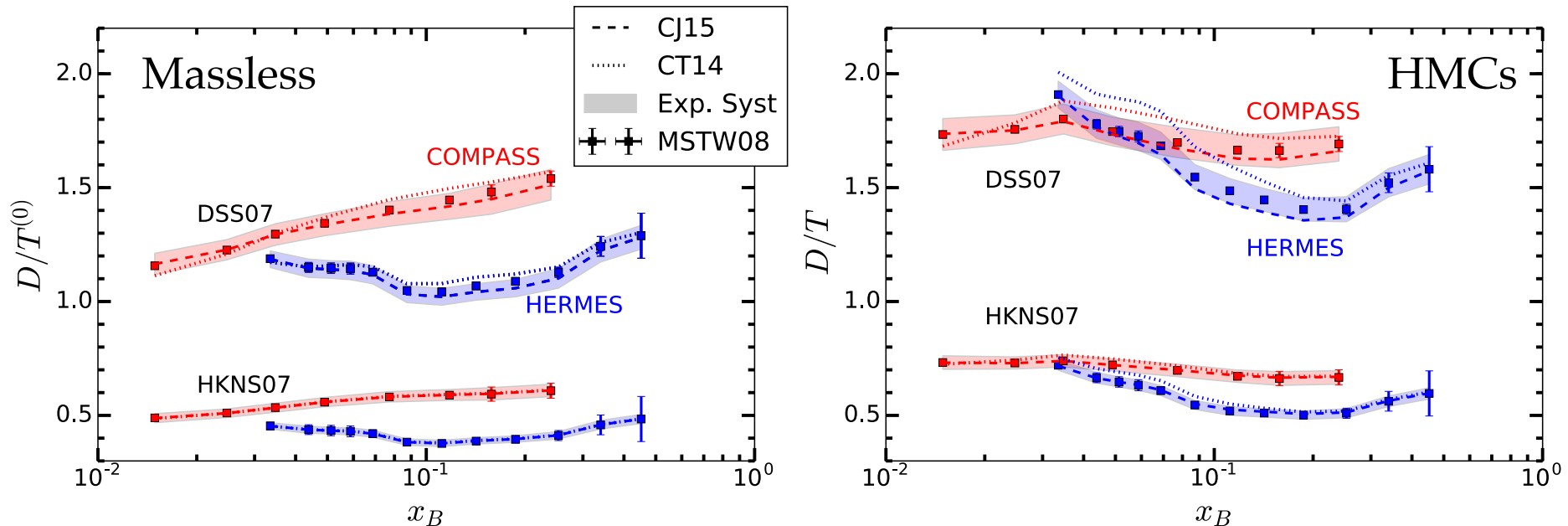
- Bjorken limit:**  $\left( \frac{M^2}{Q^2}, \frac{m_h^2}{Q^2} \right) \rightarrow 0$

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

Parton model definition

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

- D/T ratio allows to compare experiments at different  $Q^2$
- Normalization of Kaon FFs poorly known

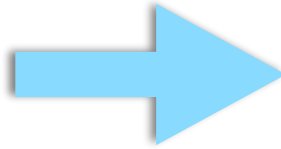


## COMPASS vs. HERMES:

- After HMCs:
  - Size discrepancy reduced
  - Slope more flat
- COMPASS well described (except normalization)
- Residual tension with HERMES slope

# HERMES & COMPASS data: direct comparison

“Theoretical correction ratios”



Produce approximate “massless” parton model multiplicities

Make data directly comparable

Largely insensitive to  $D_K$  normalization

- HMC ratio

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

- Evolution ratio (HERMES to COMPASS)

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

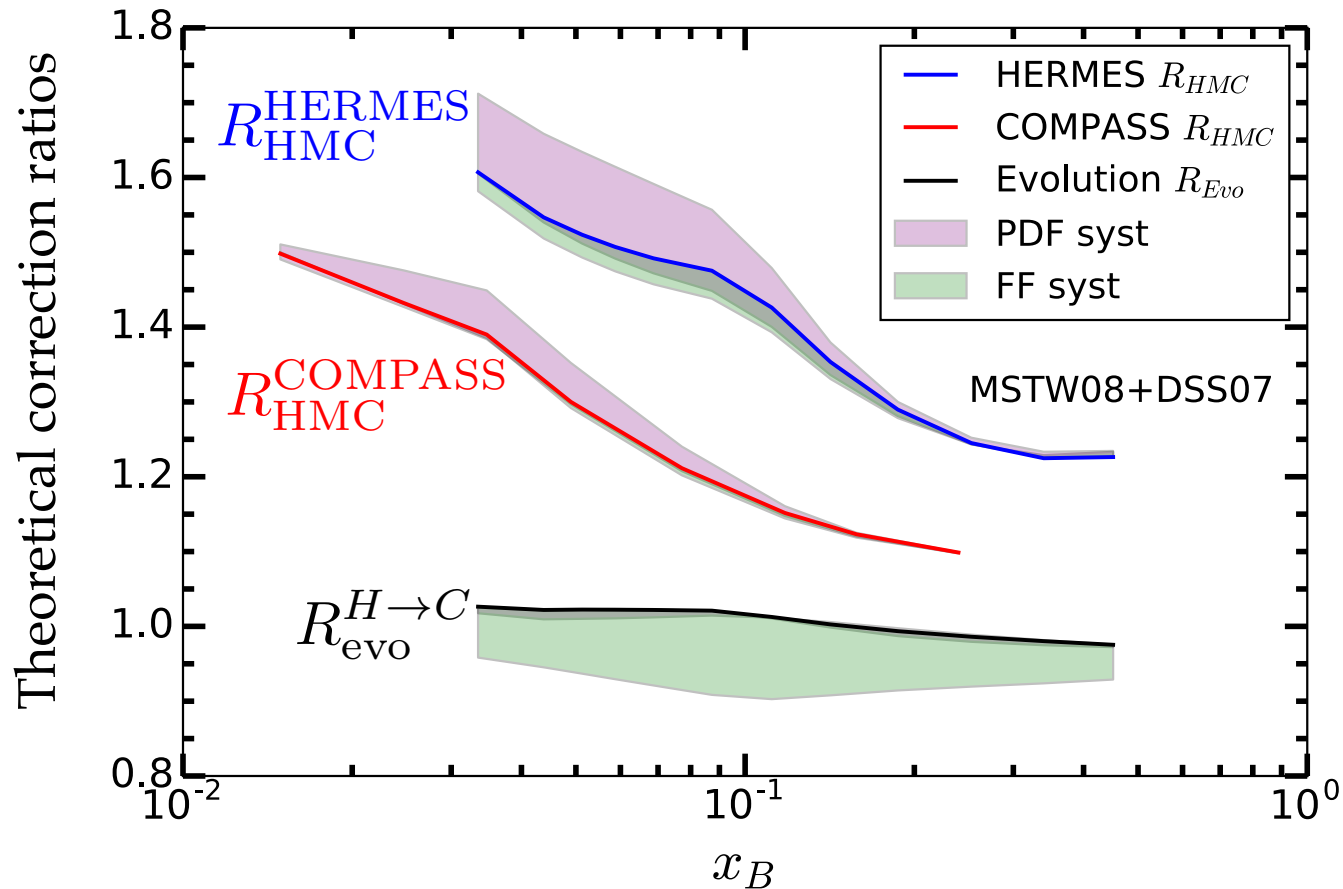
- COMPASS:

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

- HERMES:

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

# Correction ratios



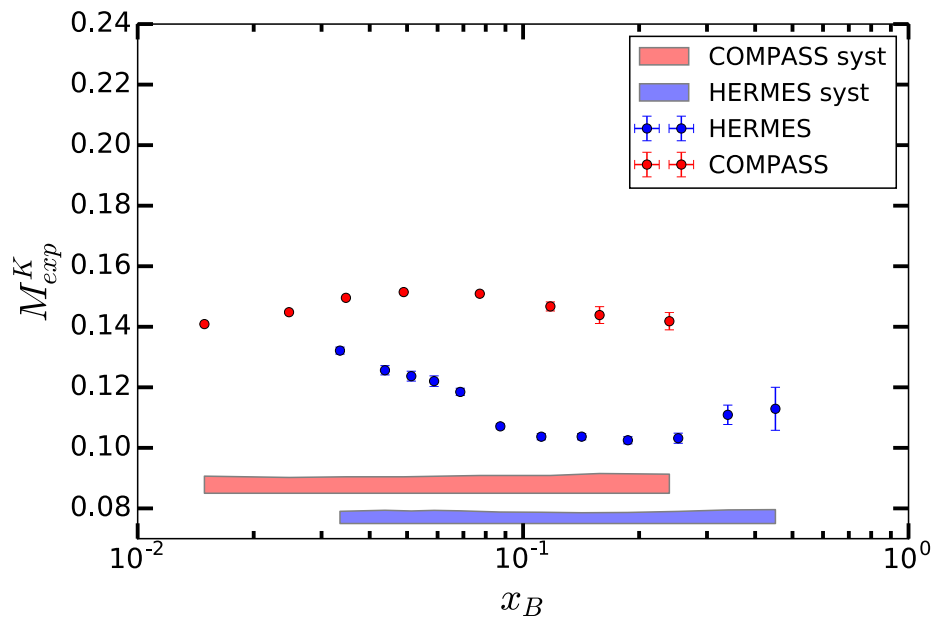
- Hadron mass effects dominant over evolution effects
- At COMPASS smaller HMCs than at HERMES.



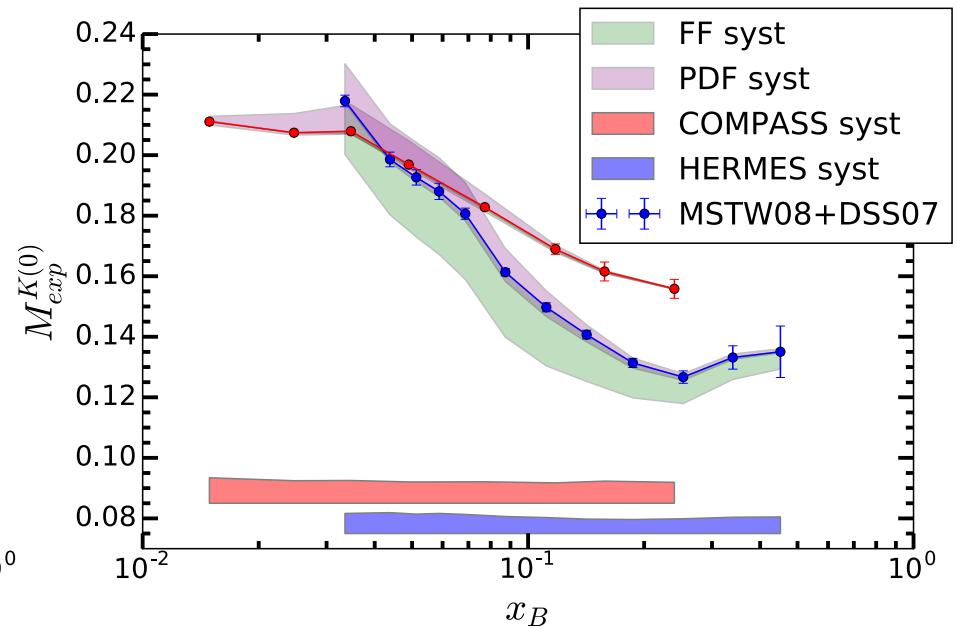
# Direct Data Comparison

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

Experimental Data



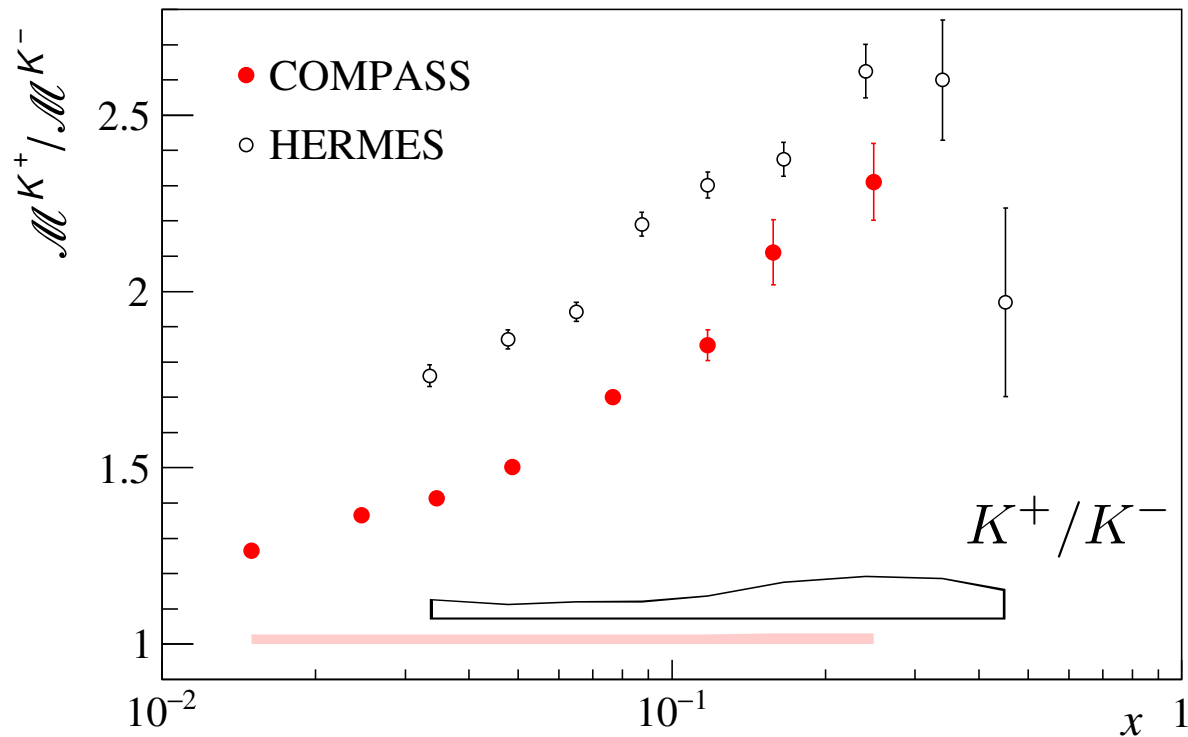
“Massless data” at same  $Q^2$



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

# Kaon ratios

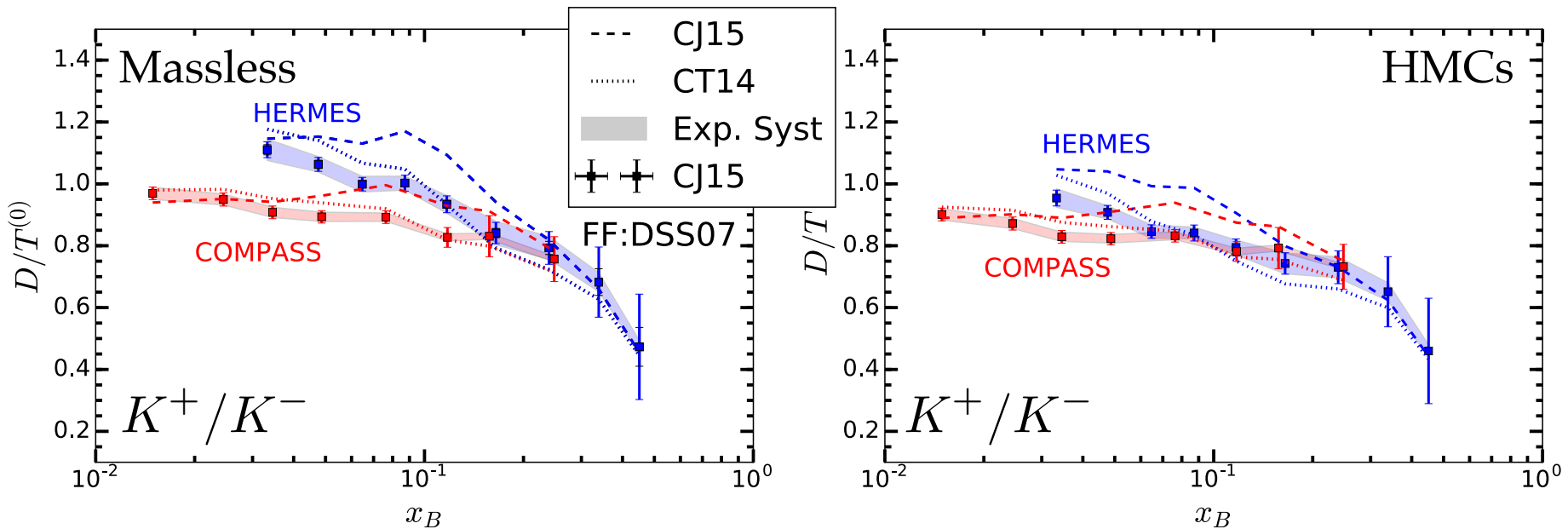
- Ratio reduces experimental systematics.



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

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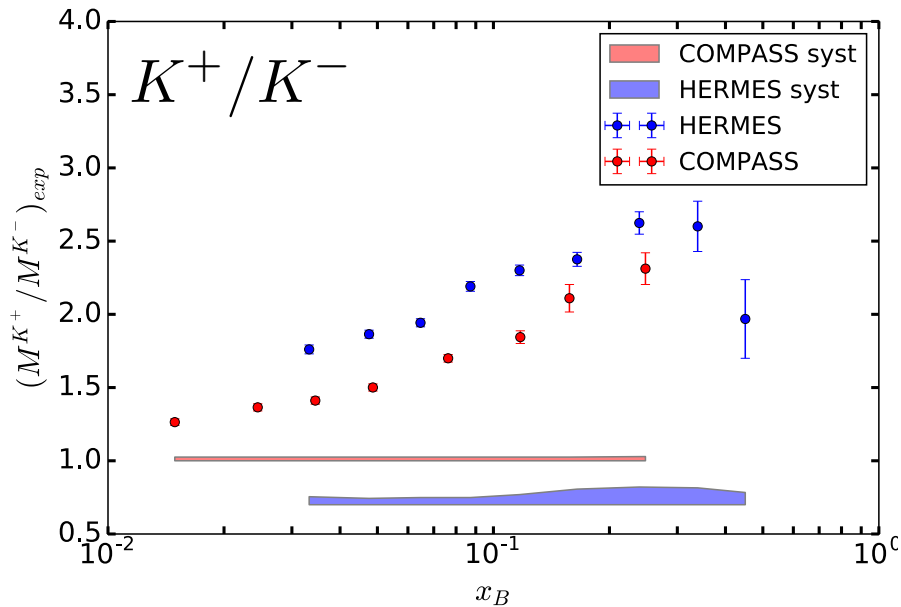
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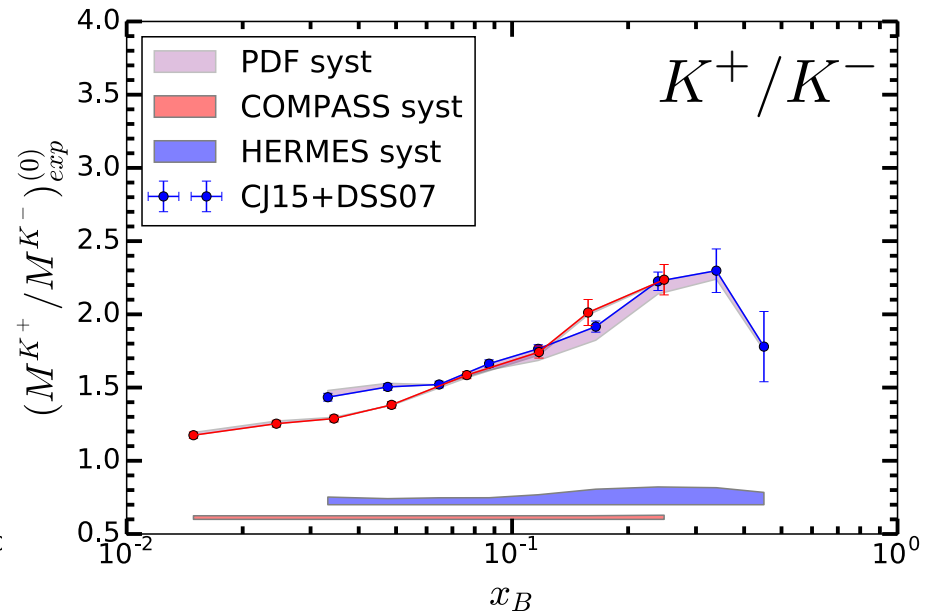
- After HMCs:
  - ▶ HERMES overall agreement with COMPASS
  - except last bins?
    - ▶ Strange quark in current PDF fits too soft?

# Direct Data Comparison

## Experimental Data



## “Massless data” at same $Q^2$




- HERMES & COMPASS 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  $\xi_h$  and  $\zeta_h$
- $K^+ + K^-$  multiplicities:
  - ▶ HERMES vs. COMPASS size discrepancy reduced
  - ▶ Difference in slopes still needs to be solved.
- $K^+ / K^-$  ratio: **No slope problem**  systematics in HERMES  $K^+ + K^-$  ?

## Future developments:

- Evaluating HMCs for polarized asymmetries.
- Prove factorization at NLO with  $k'^2 \neq 0$ .
- Use the multiplicity data in new fits of FFs with HMC corrected theory

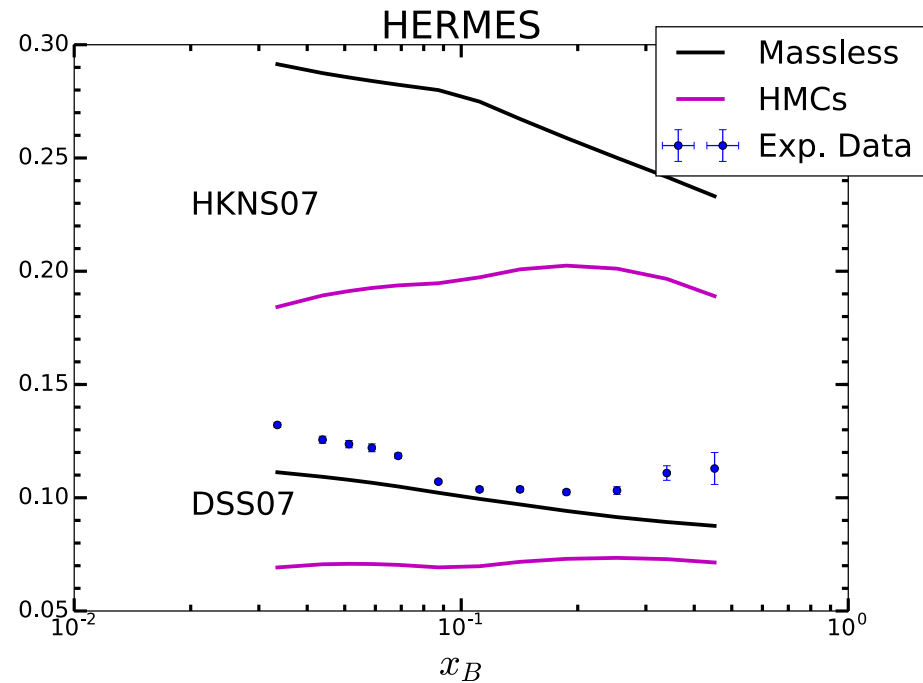
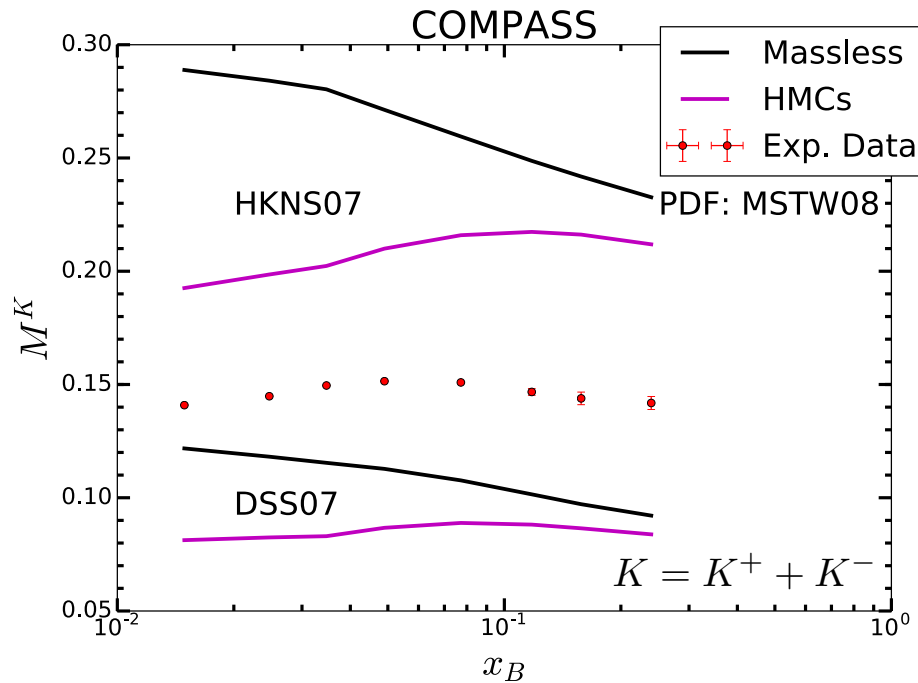
Thank you!

# Backup slides



# $K^+ + K^-$ Multiplicities

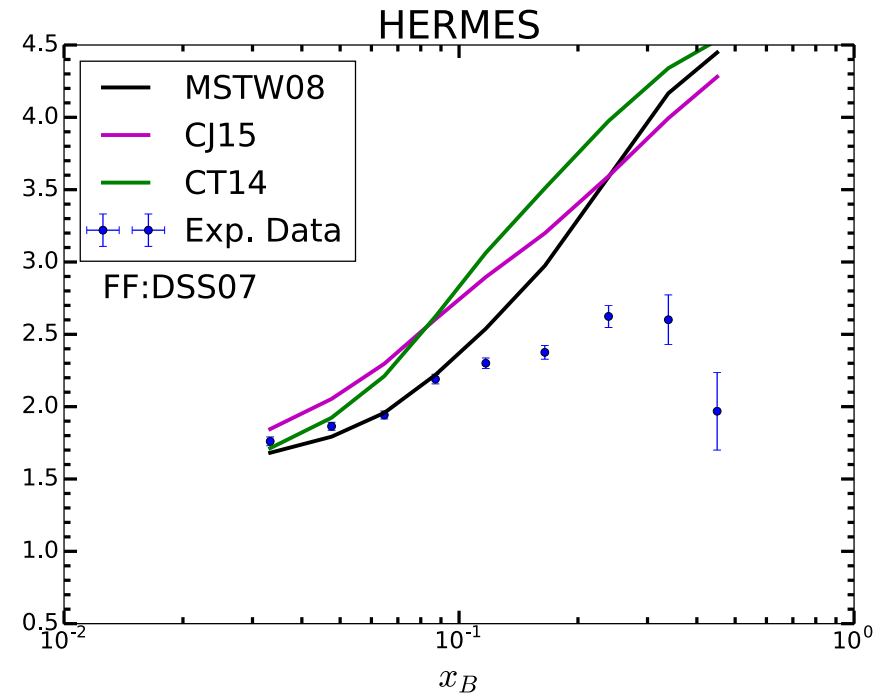
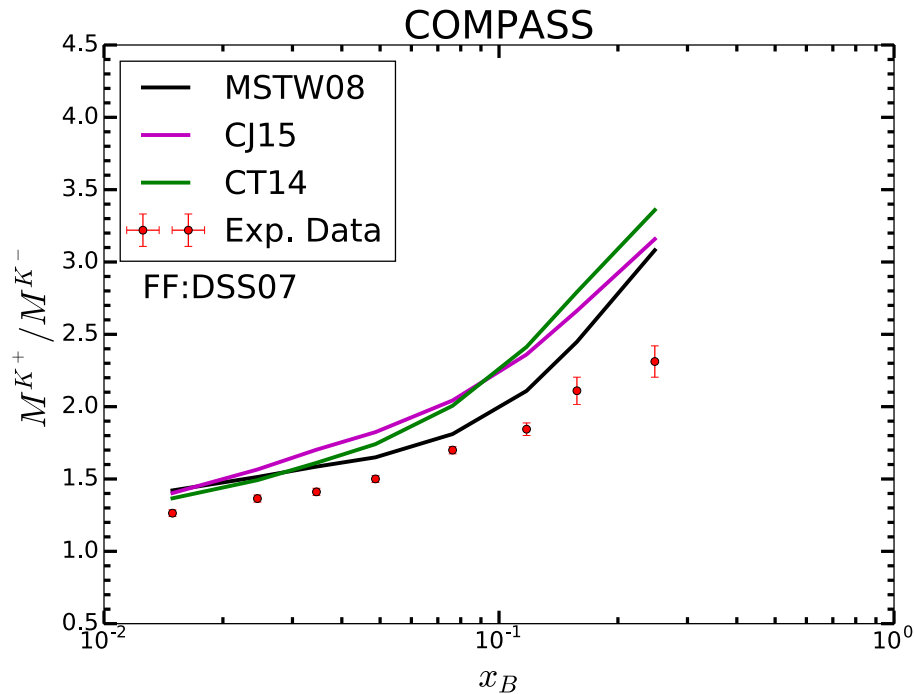
- Data (dots) vs. Theory (lines)



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

# Kaon ratios

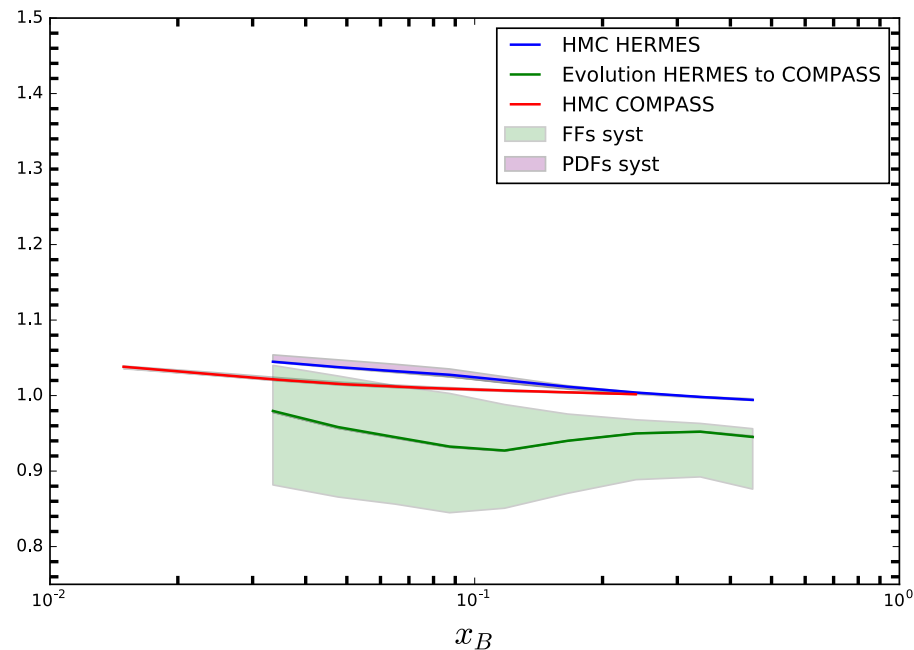
- Data (dots) vs. HMC Theory (lines)



- 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

# Pions at HERMES vs. COMPASS

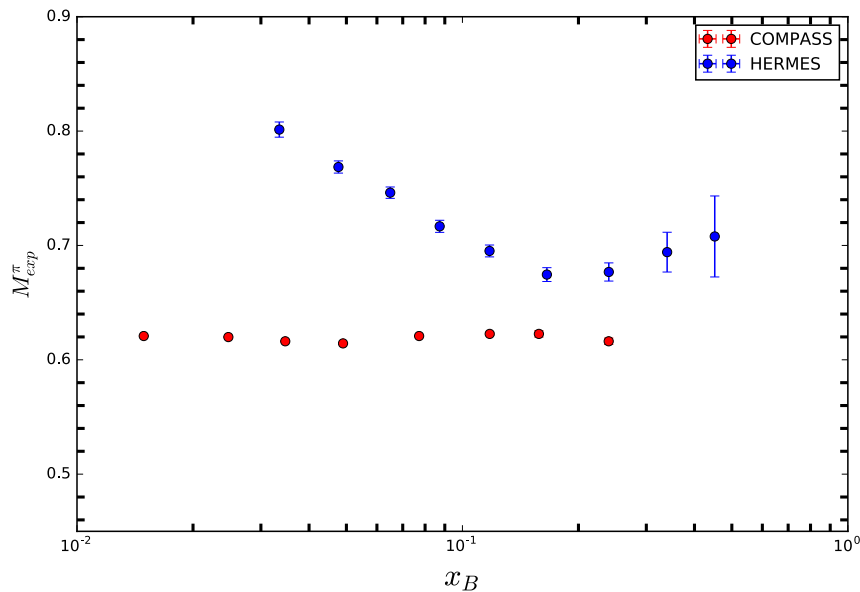
- HMC ratios: HERMES (blue line), COMPASS (red line)
- Evolution ratio (green line)
- Systematic theoretical uncertainties: (FFs, PDFs)



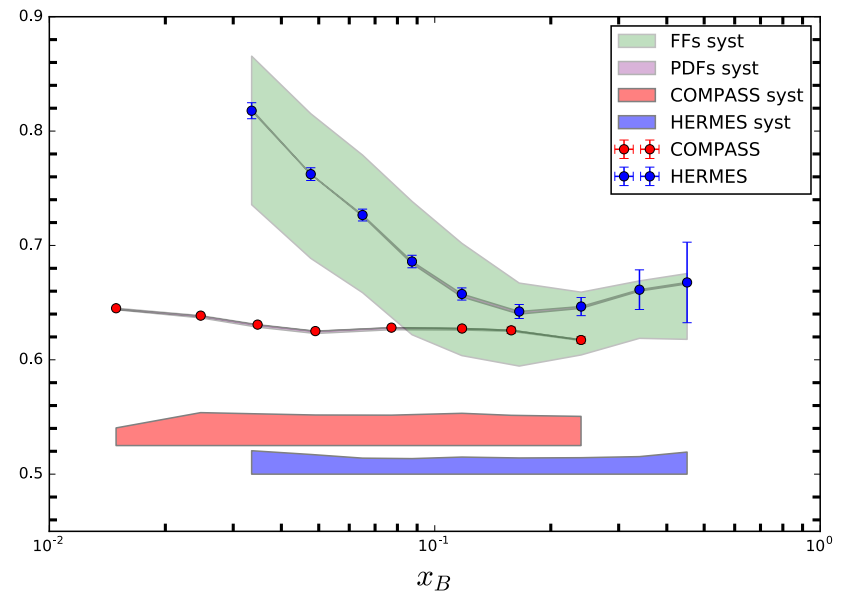
- HMCs much smaller than for Kaons.
- Comparable to evolution effects.

# Pions at HERMES vs. COMPASS

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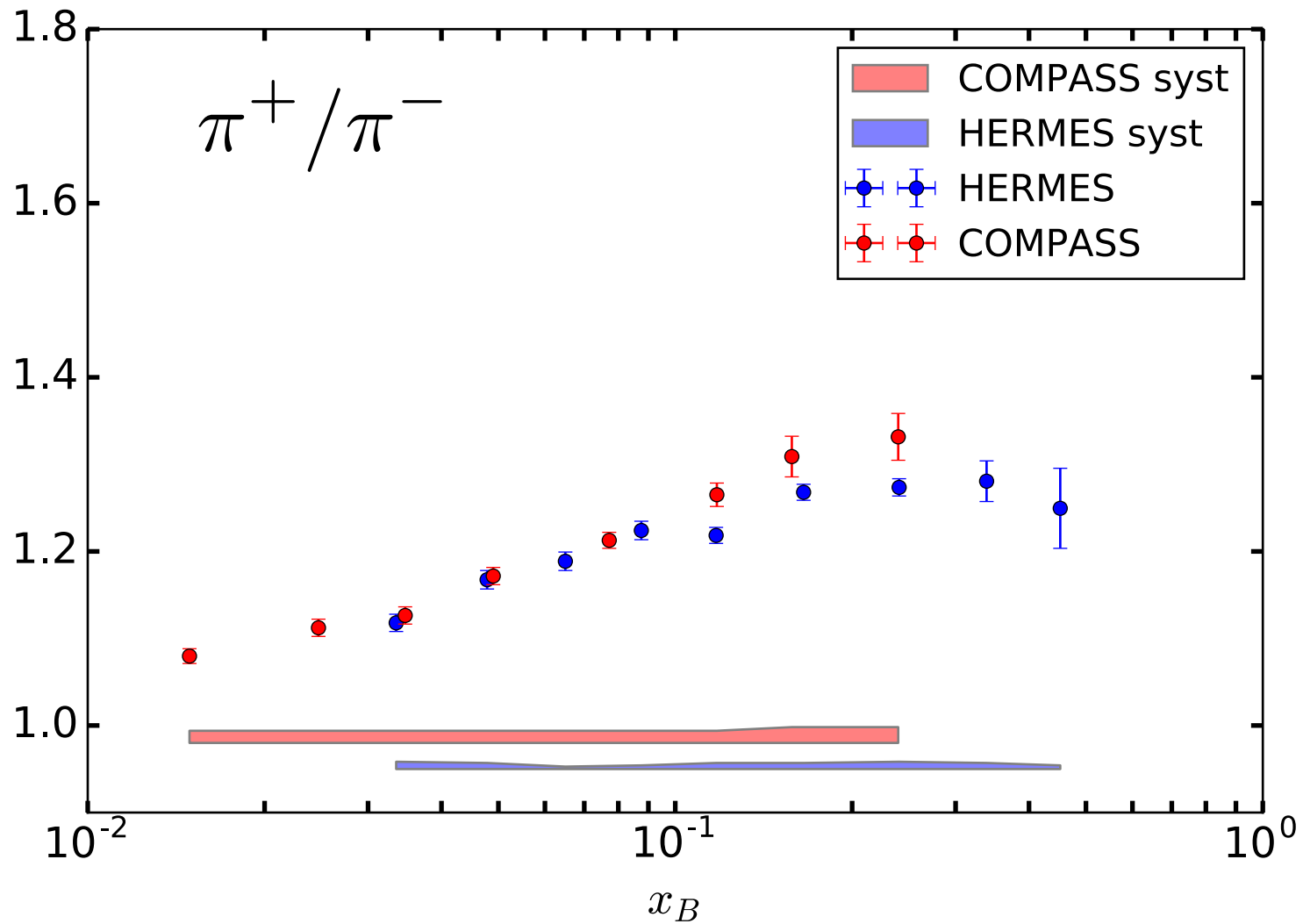


## Parton level multiplicities



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

# Pions ratio



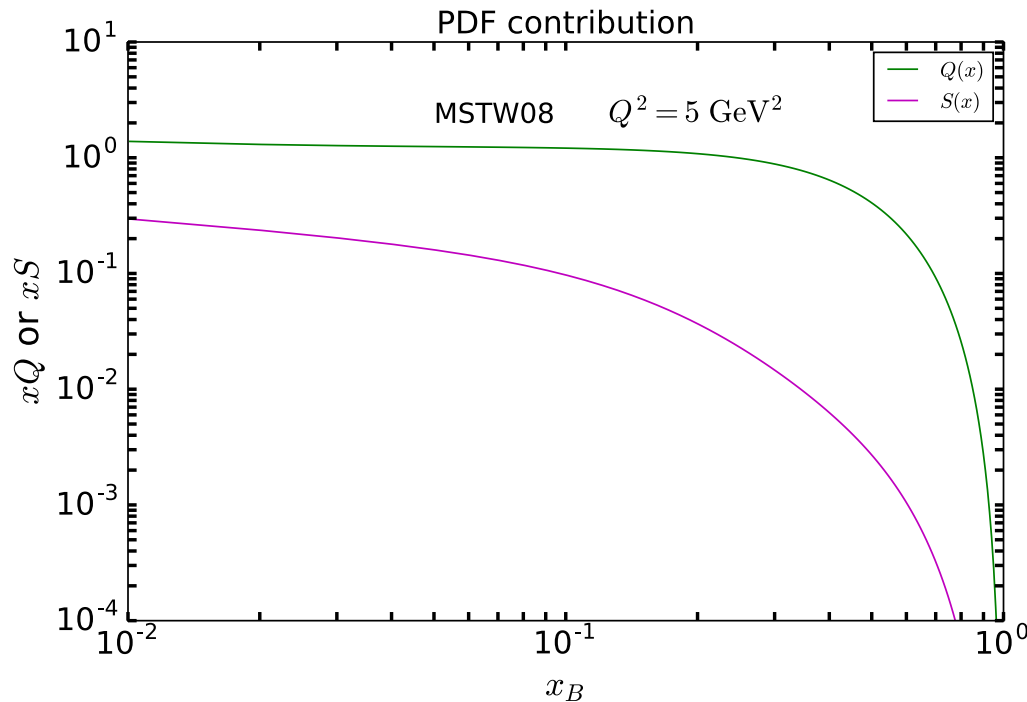
# Fragmentation Functions Systematics

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

$$\text{Parton model: } M^K(x_B, Q^2) = \frac{Q(x_B, Q^2) \int \mathcal{D}_Q^K(z, Q^2) dz + S(x_B, Q^2) \int \mathcal{D}_S^K(z, Q^2) dz}{5Q(x_B, Q^2) + 2S(x_B, Q^2)}$$

$$Q(x) \equiv u(x) + \bar{u}(x) + d(x) + \bar{d}(x) \quad S(x) \equiv s(x) + \bar{s}(x)$$

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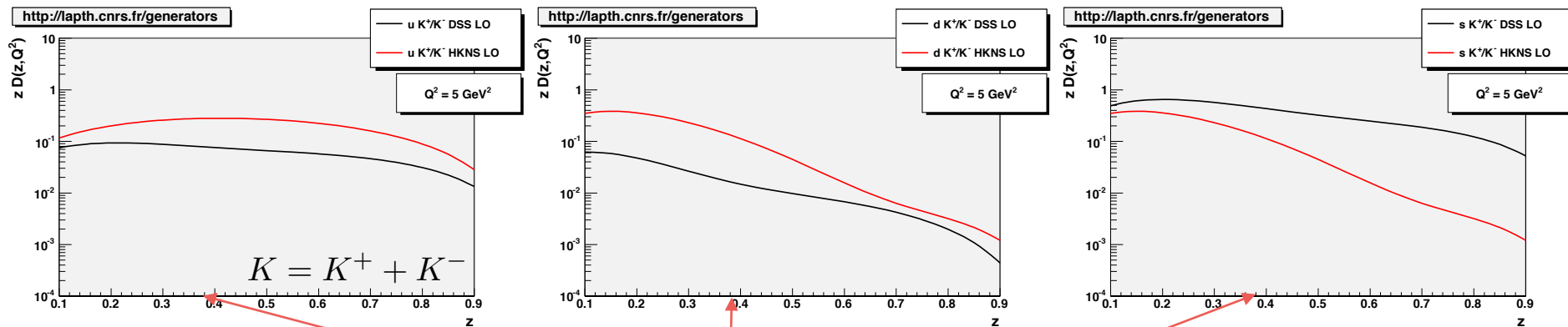
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u, d, s FFs



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

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

Large uncertainty with the choice of FFs because

$$Q > S$$