

The polarized photon distribution function

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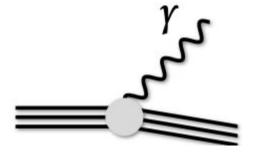


Polarized Parton distribution functions (pPDFs)

The polarized PDF are defined as the difference between the distributions of partons with positive and negative helicity inside a proton with positive helicity.

The PDFs are fitted from the experiment and are UNIVERSAL, they must not depend on any process.

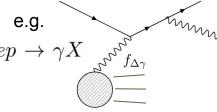
We usually hear about quark and gluon PDFs, but what about the photon PDF?



The polarized photon distribution function: Motivation

- No parameterization is available for the case of the polarized photon PDF
- QED corrections start to be important because many observables reached QCD corrections at NNLO, $\alpha_{QCD}^2 \sim \alpha_{QED} \sim \frac{1}{137}$. For this reason the PDF of the photon is a key density.
 - Calculate the evolution of polarized PDFs including QED corrections.
 - Some process are sensitive to these density, such as the productions of prompt photons in ep.

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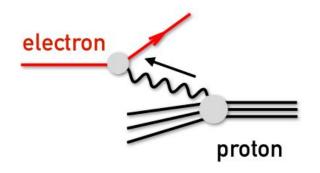


DIS and LuxQED approach

The extraction from a global fit is difficult because it is a small amount compared to the PDFs of Quarks and Gluons. But...

- DIS is usually seen as a photon from electron probing proton structure, but can be viewed as an electron probing the photon PDF.
- The structure functions g1 and g2 encoded all the information about this process.

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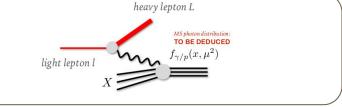
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \sigma_{LL}(x, Q^2)}{\mathrm{d}x \,\mathrm{d}Q^2} = \frac{8\pi\alpha^2 y}{Q^4} \\ \times \left[\left(1 - \frac{y}{2} - \frac{y^2}{4}\gamma^2 \right) g_1(x, Q^2) - \frac{y}{2}\gamma^2 g_2(x, Q^2) \right]$$

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Propose a BSM process in which a massive lepton is produced from a light lepton and a photon. At LO there is an interaction with the photon PDF.

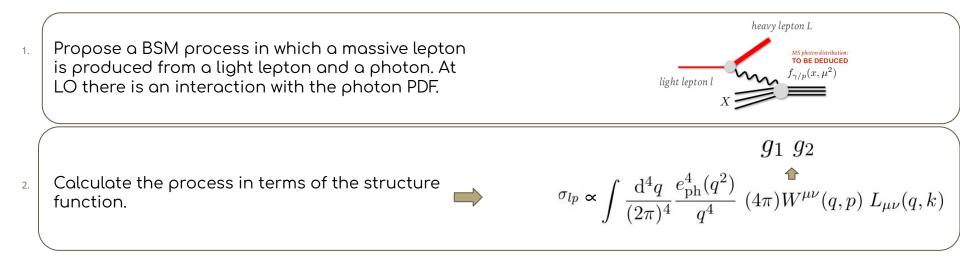


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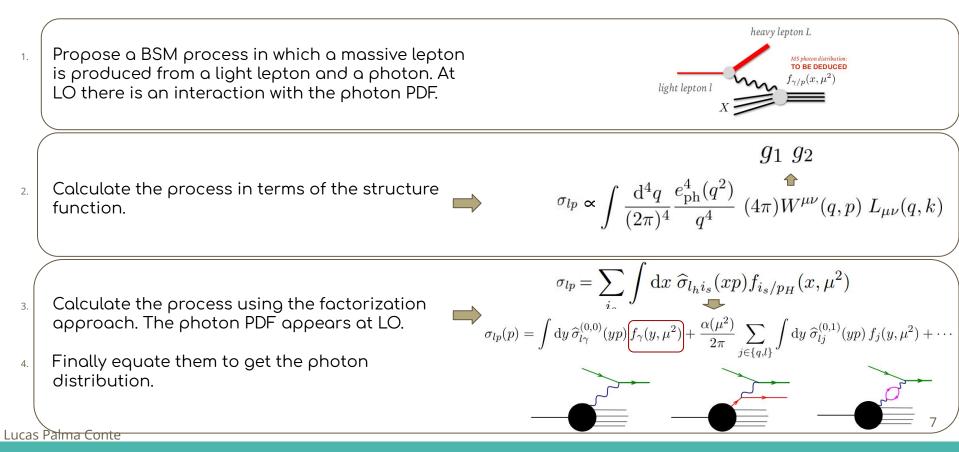
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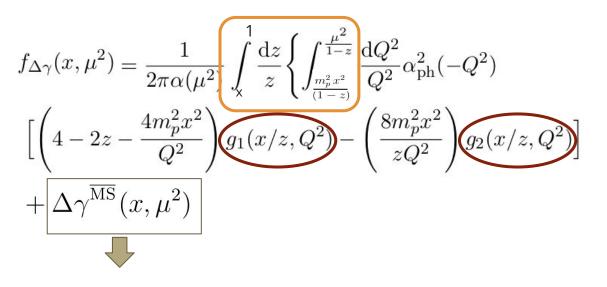
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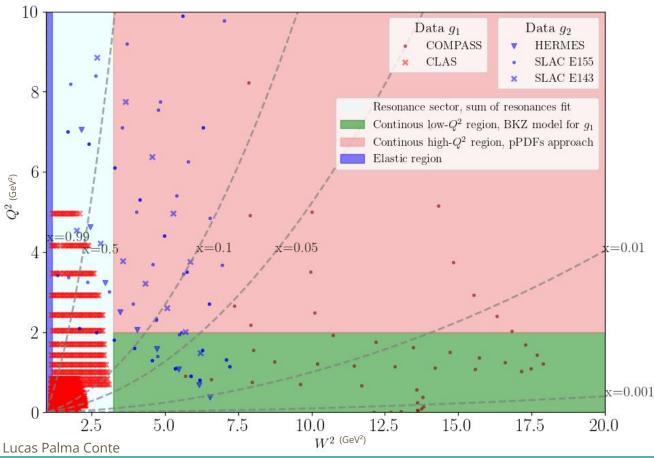


The last term can be computed perturbatively,

$$\Delta \gamma_{\text{LO}}^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(x,\mu^2) = \frac{\alpha(\mu^2)}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{z} 4(1-z) g_1^{\text{LO}}(x/z,\mu^2) + \text{high orders}$$
Perturbative approach
$$g_1^{\text{LO}}(x_{bj},\mu^2) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{q\}} e_q^2 (\Delta q(x_{bj},\mu^2) + \Delta \bar{q}(x_{bj},\mu^2))$$
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- Must not depend in any parameter of the process.
- Necessary to know the • structure functions in a wide range of parameter space.
- The behavior of the • structure functions will be different in each region of the parameter space.

Parameter space

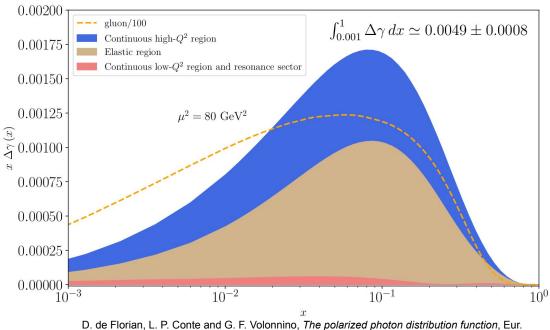


We divide the parameter space into regions according to the behavior of the structure functions: Elastic, Resonance, Low-Q and High-Q.

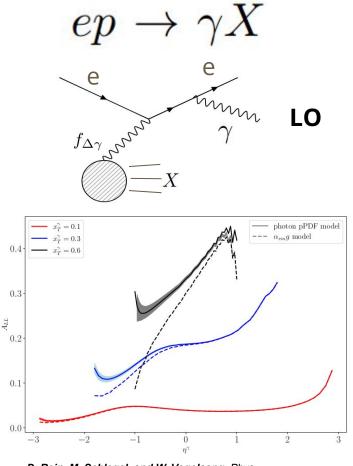
The idea is to model the structure functions g1 and g2 in each region.
 And compute the contribution to the photon PDF.

Results

- The largest contributions are the perturbative and elastic region.
- The resonance and low-Q2 regions are of a lower order.



Phys. J. C **84** (2024) 905, <u>arXiv:2406.03414 [hep-ph]</u>, doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-024-13294-4.



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Conclusions

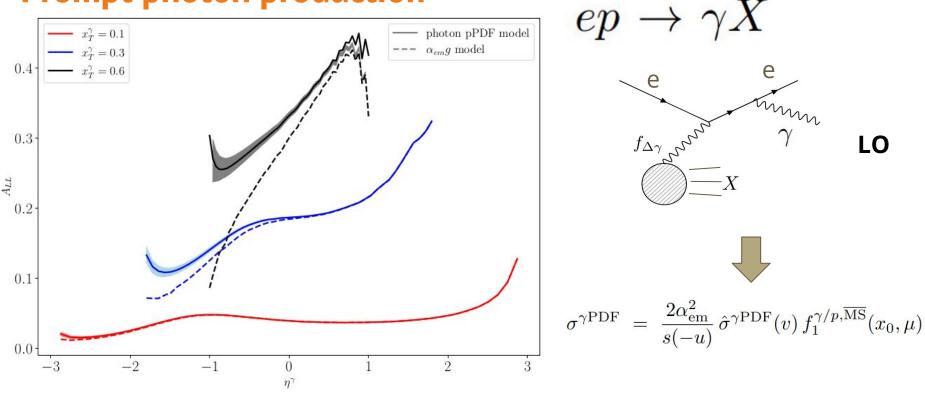
- We compute the polarized photon PDF using the LuxQED approach.
- We show that the photon pPDF is of the order gluon/100.
- The first momentum is small in comparison with the quarks and gluon momentum
- We apply the photon pPDF in Prompt Photon Production and observe significant differences with toy models.

¡Thanks! ¡Muchas Gracias!



Questions?

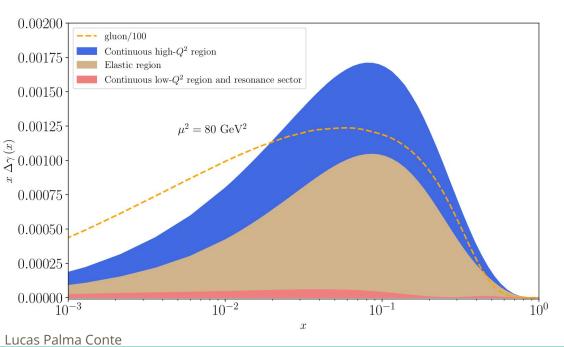
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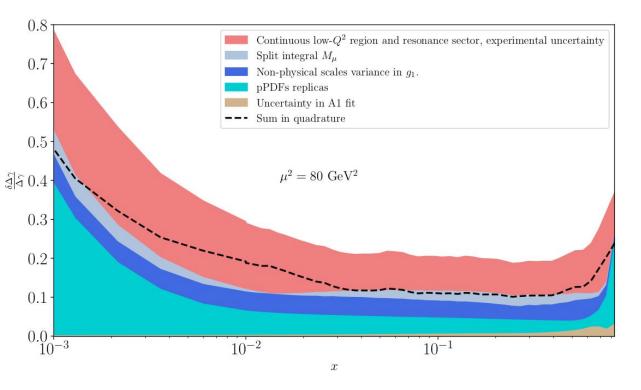
$$\begin{split} f_{\Delta\gamma}(x,\mu^2) &= \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha(\mu^2)} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{z} \Biggl\{ \int_{\frac{m_p^2 x^2}{(1-z)}}^{\frac{\mu^2}{1-z}} \frac{\mathrm{d}Q^2}{Q^2} \alpha_{\mathrm{ph}}^2(-Q^2) \\ & \left[\left(4 - 2z - \frac{4m_p^2 x^2}{Q^2} \right) g_1(x/z,Q^2) - \left(\frac{8m_p^2 x^2}{zQ^2} \right) g_2(x/z,Q^2) \right] \\ & + \Delta\gamma^{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}(x,\mu^2) \end{split}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + L_q + L_g + \int \Delta\gamma \, dx$$

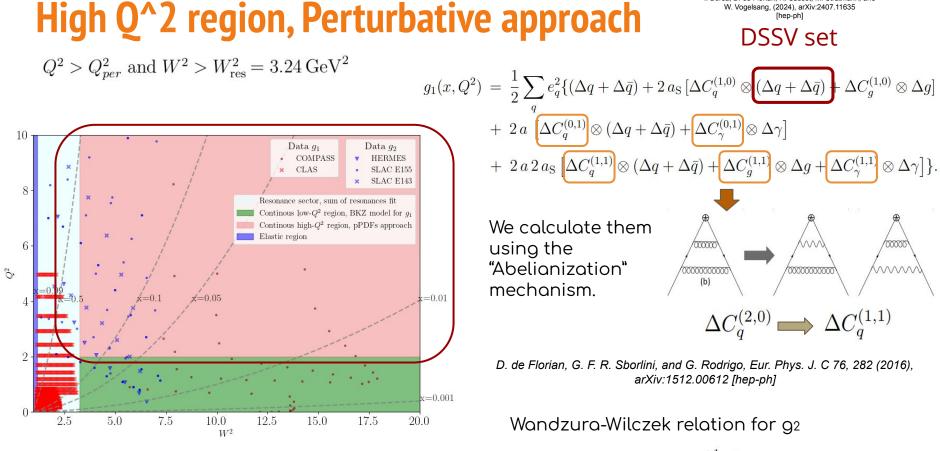
 $\int_{0.001}^{1} \Delta \gamma \, dx \simeq 0.0049 \pm 0.0008$

The first momentum is much smaller than the quarks and gluon momentum.

Uncertainty of the calculation



- The largest uncertainty comes from the the low Q2 region. These uncertainty arise from the experimental uncertainty.
- For the perturbative region the largest uncertainty arise from the PDF replicas. Also there are an uncertainty because the variation for the non physical scales.
- For the Elastic region the uncertainty is small, it arise from the experimental error in the A1 collaboration measurement of the Sachs factor.



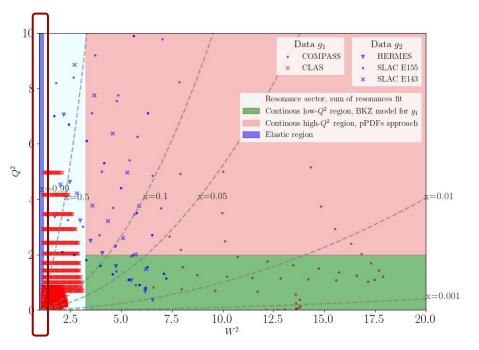
$$g_2^{\text{WW}}(x_{bj}) = -g_1(x_{bj}) + \int_{x_{bj}}^1 \frac{dy}{y} g_1(y)$$
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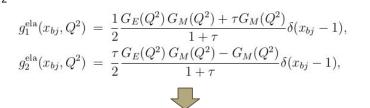
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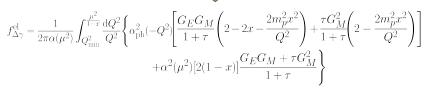
Elastic region

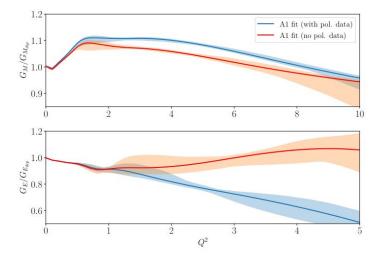
 $W^2 < (m_p + m_{\pi^0})^2$



We can express g1 and g2 in terms of the Sachs form factors of the proton, GE and GM.



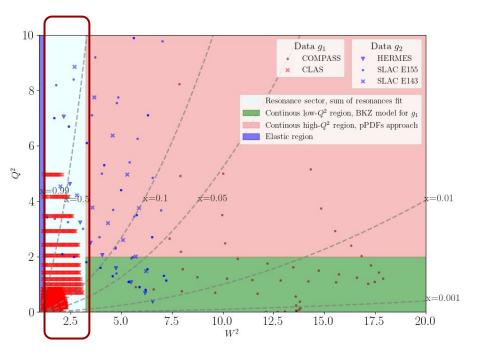




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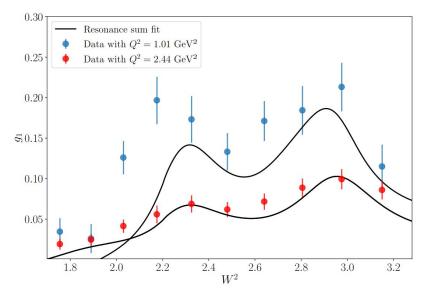
Resonance region

 $(m_p + m_{\pi^0})^2 < W^2 < W_{\rm res}^2 = 3.24 \,{\rm GeV}^2$

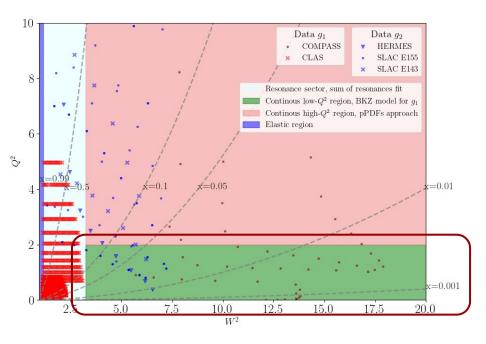


We use a model for both g1 and g2 based on resonances sum.

Resonant contributions to polarized proton structure functions, A. N. Hiller Blin, V. I. Mokeev, and W. Melnitchouk, Phys. Rev. C 2023 107, 035202

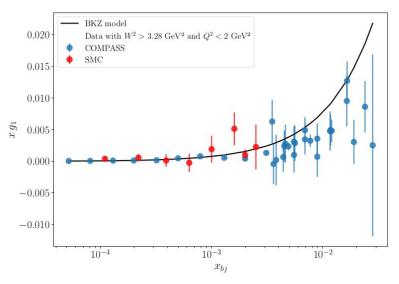


Low-Q^2 region $W^2 > W_{\text{res}}^2$ and $Q^2 < Q_{per}^2 = 2 \,\text{GeV}^2$



Vector Meson Dominance (VMD):

The photon turns into an on-shell vector meson which interacts with the proton.



Using the VMD they arrive at this formula

$$g_{1}^{\text{bkz}}(x_{bj}, Q^{2}) = C \left[\frac{4}{9} \left(\Delta u_{val}^{(0)}(x_{bj}) + \Delta \bar{u}^{(0)}(x_{bj}) \right) + \frac{1}{9} \left(\Delta d_{val}^{(0)}(x_{bj}) + \Delta \bar{d}^{(0)}(x_{bj}) \right) \right] \frac{M_{\rho}^{4}}{\left(Q^{2} + M_{\rho}^{2}\right)^{2}} + C \left[\frac{1}{9} \left(2\Delta \bar{s}^{(0)}(x_{bj}) \right) \right] \frac{M_{\phi}^{4}}{\left(Q^{2} + M_{\phi}^{2}\right)^{2}}$$

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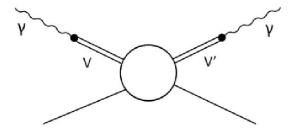
Vector Meson Dominance

The photon virtually dissociates into an on-shell vector meson that subsequently interacts with hadron A to yield the hadron state B.

$$g_1(x,Q^2) = \frac{M\nu}{4\pi} \sum_V \frac{M_V^4 \Delta \sigma_V(W^2)}{\gamma_V^2 (Q^2 + M_V^2)^2}$$

 $\Delta\sigma_V(W^2)$ interaction between mesons and nucleon

$$[\gamma^* A \to B] = -e \frac{m_{\rho}^2}{2\gamma_{\rho}} \frac{1}{q^2 - m_{\rho}^2} [\rho^0 A \to B] + (\omega) + (\phi)$$



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C is fitted from the experiment

High orders for the "MS" term

$$f_{\Delta\gamma}(x,\mu^2) = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha(\mu^2)} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{z} \left\{ \int_{\frac{m_p^2 x^2}{(1-z)}}^{\frac{\mu^2}{1-z}} \frac{\mathrm{d}Q^2}{Q^2} \alpha_{\mathrm{ph}}^2(-Q^2) \right. \\ \left[\left(4 - 2z - \frac{4m_p^2 x^2}{Q^2} \right) g_1(x/z,Q^2) - \left(\frac{8m_p^2 x^2}{zQ^2} \right) g_2(x/z,Q^2) \right] \\ \left. + \Delta\gamma^{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}(x,\mu^2) \right]$$

$$\Delta \gamma^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(x,\mu^2) = \frac{8\pi \left(S\mu\right)^{-2\epsilon}}{\alpha(\mu^2)} \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{\Gamma(D/2-1)} \int_x^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{z} (1-z)^{D/2-2} \int_{\frac{\mu^2}{1-z}}^\infty \frac{\mathrm{d}Q^2}{Q^2} \times Q^2 \left\{ \left(4 - 2z + 4\frac{\epsilon}{1-\epsilon}(1-z)\right) g_{1,D}(x/z,Q^2) \right\}$$
 High orders in given by the product of the product

$$\begin{split} \Delta\gamma^{(1,1)} &= \sum_{f \in \{q,g\}} \int_{x}^{1} \frac{dz}{z} \int_{x'}^{1} \frac{dz'}{z'} \frac{1}{12} \bigg\{ \bigg[2\pi^{2} - 24 + 24z - z\pi^{2} \\ &+ 24(z-1)\ln(1-z) + 6(z-2)\ln(1-z)^{2} \bigg] \Delta B_{1,f}^{(1,0)}(z') \\ & \bigg[12(z-2) \bigg] \Delta a_{1,f}^{(1,0)}(z') + \bigg[24(1-z) - 12(z-2)\ln(1-z) \bigg] \Delta C_{1,f}^{(1,0)}(z') \bigg\} \Delta f(x'/z',\mu^{2}) \end{split}$$

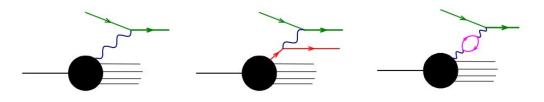
$$g_{1,D}^{(1,0)} = \left(\frac{\mu^2}{Q^2}\right)^{\epsilon} \left[-\frac{1}{\epsilon} \Delta B_{1,f=q,g}^{(1,0)}(z) + \Delta C_{1,f=q,g}^{(1,0)}(z) - \epsilon \Delta a_{1,f=q,g}^{(1,0)}(z) \right]$$
Adding LO in
QCD

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\sigma_{l_R p_H} - \sigma_{l_L p_H} \right) = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha(\mu^2)} \sigma_0 \int \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{z} \int_{Q_{\min}^2}^{Q_{\max}^2} \frac{\mathrm{d}Q^2}{Q^2} \alpha_{\mathrm{ph}}^2 (-Q^2) \\ \left\{ H \left(4 - 2z - \frac{4m_p^2 x^2}{Q^2} - \frac{4m_p^2 x^2 Q^2}{M^4} - \frac{8m_p^2 x^2}{M^2} - \frac{2zQ^2}{M^2} \right) x g_1(x/z, Q^2) - H \left(\frac{8m_p^2 x^2}{zM^2} + \frac{8m_p^2 x^2}{zQ^2} \right) x g_2(x/z, Q^2) \right\}$$

In terms of the structure function.

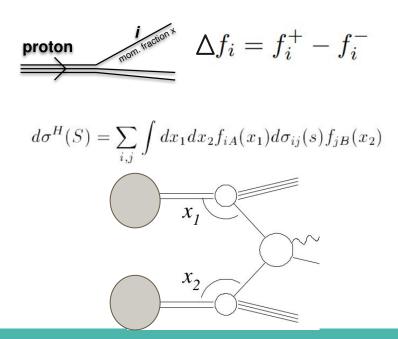
$$\frac{1}{2} \left[\sigma_{l_R p_H} - \sigma_{l_L p_H} \right] = \sigma_0 H \left\{ x f_{\Delta \gamma}(x, \mu^2) + \frac{\alpha(\mu)}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \left[z(2-z) \left(\log \frac{M^2(1-z)^2}{z\mu^2} \right) - 3z(1-z) \right] \times \sum_i e_i^2 \frac{x}{z} f_{\Delta i} \left(\frac{x}{z}, \mu^2 \right) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha \alpha_s, \alpha^2) \right\}$$

Using the factorization approach.

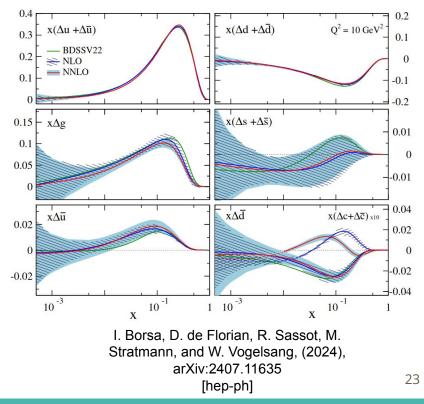


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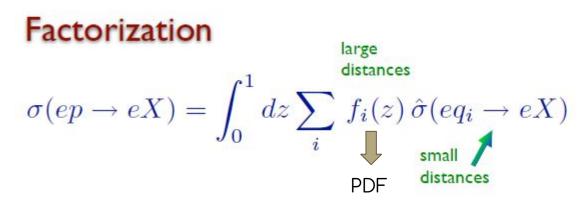
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QED corrections to polarised PDF evolution

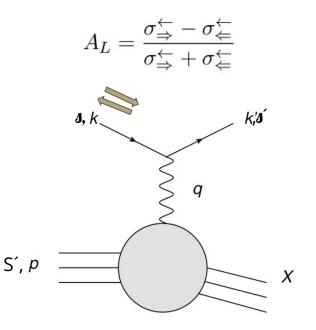
Parton distribution functions (PDFs)

Parton Model



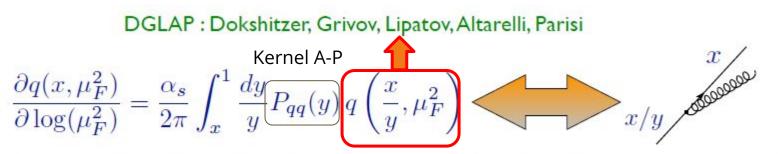
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$$f_i = f_i^+ - f_i^-$$

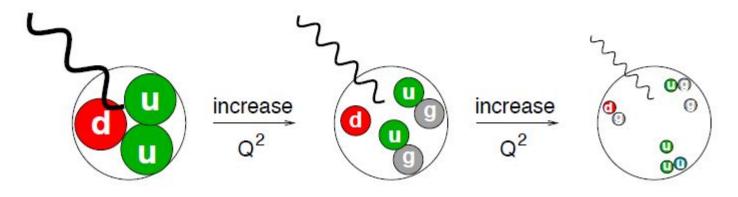


Modelo de Patrones y ecuaciones DGLAP

QCD does not tell us what shape PDFs have, but it does tell us how they evolve with energy.



Increase "resolution" scale: resolve more details of "partonic structure"



QED corrections

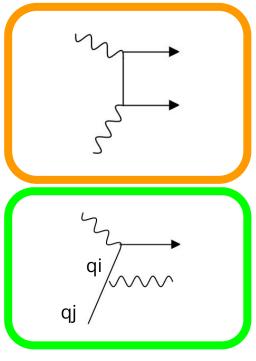
$$\frac{\partial q(x,\mu_F^2)}{\partial \log(\mu_F^2)} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} P_{qq}(y) q\left(\frac{x}{y},\mu_F^2\right)$$

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 $(f \otimes g)(x) = \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} f\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) g(y)$ We solve them by passing to the MELLIN space, where the convolution is the product.

MT: a Mathematica package to compute convolutions



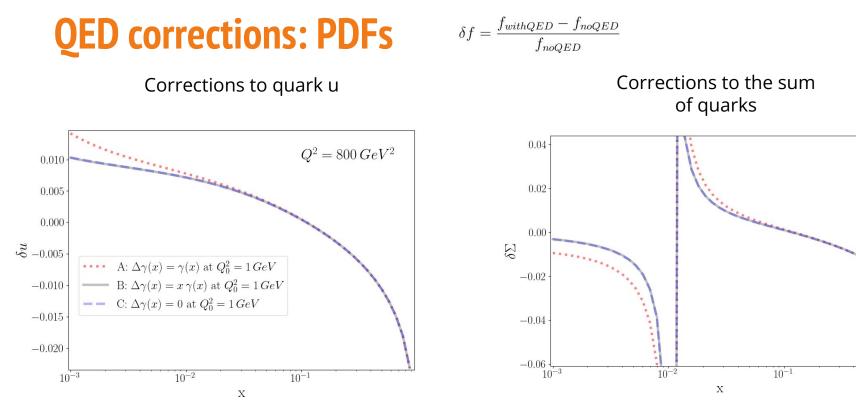
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Photon distribution is a key density in the evolution with **QED** corrections

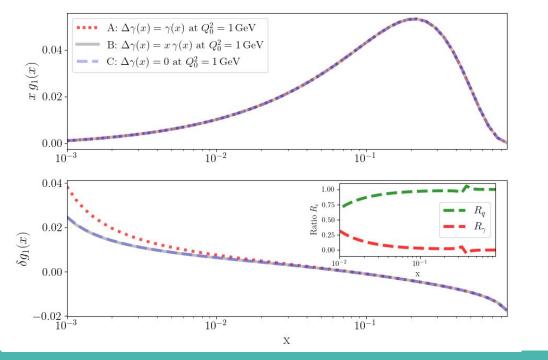
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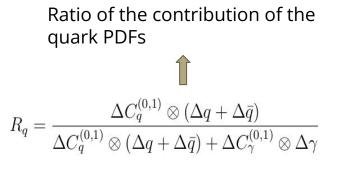


Corrections of the order of 4% in some sectors, same order of magnitude expected for the accuracy of the experimental data. D. de Florian and L. P. Conte, Eur. Phys. J. C 83, 695 (2023), arXiv:2305.14144 [hep-ph] **Resultados QED: g1**

$$g_{1} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{q} e_{q}^{2} \{ (\Delta q + \Delta \bar{q}) + 2 a_{\mathrm{S}} [\Delta C_{q}^{(1,0)} \otimes (\Delta q + \Delta \bar{q}) + \Delta C_{g}^{(1,0)} \otimes \Delta g]$$
$$+ 2 a \left[\Delta C_{q}^{(0,1)} \otimes (\Delta q + \Delta \bar{q}) + \Delta C_{\gamma}^{(0,1)} \otimes \Delta \gamma \right] \}.$$

Wilson's coefficients to LO QED

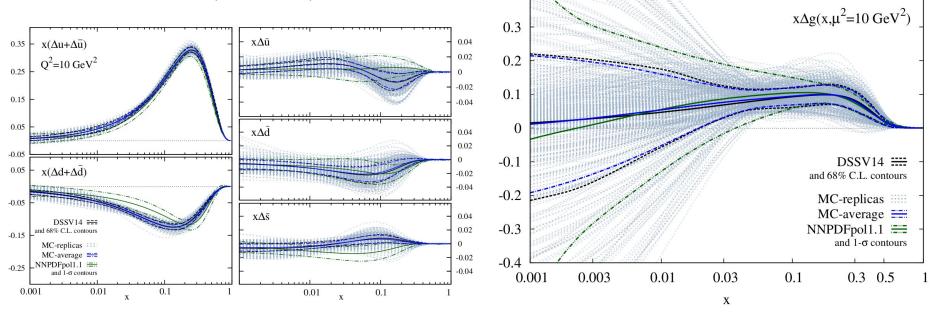




$$\delta f = \frac{f_{withQED} - f_{noQED}}{f_{noQED}}$$

Fiteo PDFs Polarizadas

Distribuciones de partones polarizadas



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Evidence for polarization of gluons in the proton, 2014

Monte Carlo sampling variant of the DSSV14 set of helicity parton densities, de Florian, Sassot 2019

A first unbiased global determination of polarized PDFs and their uncertainties

Estas PDFs polarizadas van a estar relacionadas con el **Spin del protón.** Se ve una contribución de gluon no despreciable 31