Combination of Measurements of Inclusive Deep Inelastic ep Scattering Cross Sections and QCD Analysis of HERA Data [arxiv: 1506.06042]



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HERA - the world's only ep collider DESY, Hamburg in operation 1992 - 2007 (from 2002 HERA II) radius ~ 1 km $E_p = 820/920 \text{ GeV} E_e = 27.5 \text{ GeV}$

PETRA



LAr calo - central, Spaghetti calo - backward



HERA

compensating uranium calorimeter

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Inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering



Neutral current

Charged current

γ, Z°

 $q = k - k^{\prime}$

 $P_q = xP$

X

P'

- Variables used:
- q = k-k' 4-momentum of exchanged boson e^{\pm}
- $Q^2 = -q^2 > 0$ virtuality of the exchanged boson
- $s = (k+p)^2$ central mass energy
- $x = Q^2 / 2 p \cdot q$ Bjorken x
- $y = p \cdot q / p \cdot k$ inelasticity
- Q² = x y s

Cross Sections and Structure Functions



Reduced cross section for ep scattering NC: $\sigma^{\mp}_{r,NC} = F_2 \pm Y_-/Y_+ xF_3 - y^2/Y_+ F_L$ $Y_{\pm} = 1 \pm (1 - y)^2$

> At low Q² i.e. Q² << M_Z^2 $\sigma_{r,NC} = F_2 - y^2/Y_+ F_L$

 $\begin{aligned} F_2 &= x \sum e^2_q \left[q(x) + \overline{q}(x) \right] \\ F_2 \text{ sensitive to quarks} \end{aligned}$

At low Q^2 and low y: $\sigma_{r,NC} = F_2$

 $xF_3 = x \sum 2e_q a_q[q(x) - \overline{q}(x)]$ xF₃ sensitive to valence quarks distribution

> $F_{L} \sim \alpha_{s} \times g$ F_{L} sensitive to gluons distribution (gluons also from scaling violation and charm+jet distributions)

Inclusive DIS data samples

- data collected for $E_e = 27.5$ GeV and $E_p = 920, 820, 575, 460$ GeV
- HERA I lumi 100 pb⁻¹ e⁺p and 15 pb⁻¹ e⁻p per experiment
- HERA II lumi 150 pb⁻¹ e⁺p and 235 pb⁻¹ e⁻p per experiment
- 41 data sets with HERA inclusive measurements
- 21 HERA I data samples
- 20 HERA II data samples
- Data taken 1994-2007 (over 10 years of data taking!)
- 22 papers on inclusive DIS measurements in years 1997-2014 (almost 20 years of data analysis!)



In total 2927 data points combined to 1307

Kinematic plane coverage of the HERA measurements



HERA data span six orders of magnitude in Q² and x Measurements from HERA core of all PDFs extractions

Common (x , Q²) grids

Two common grids :

Ep=460 GeV

H1 and ZEUS



For $Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2 \text{ DGLAP NLO}$, below 4.9 GeV² fractal fit.

Averaging

Averaging done using HERAverager (<u>https://wiki-zeuthen.desy.de/HERAverager</u>) based on χ^2 minimisation method



162 correlated systematic sources taken into account

2927 published cross-sections combined to 1307 final measurements. For 1620 degrees of freedom, $\chi^{2}_{min} = 1687$ obtained

Different reconstruction methods used by H1 and ZEUS => similar systematic sources influence the measurement differently => efficient constrain of systematics.

Combined results



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Largest improvement for NC e⁻p - 10 times more luminosity. Significant improvement in accuracy Consistent with HERA I, but higher precision

HERA PDF2.0



Additional HERAPDF2.0 sets:

HERAPDF2.0HiQ2 at NLO and NNLO - $Q^{2}min = 10 \text{ GeV}^{2}$

HERAPDF2.0AG at LO, NLO, NNLO - alternative gluon parameters (strictly positive)

HERAPDF2.0Jets at NLO - charm and jets data added => reduced uncertainty on high-x

gluon distribution and possibility for simultaneous determination of α_{s} .

QCD Analysis

Goal: determination of the input distributions of light quarks and gluons

PDFs at starting scale $\mu_{f0} = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$ parametrised:

 $xf(x) = Ax^{B}(1 - x)^{C}(1 + Dx + Ex^{2})$

for xg, xu_v, xd_v, $x\overline{U} \stackrel{\mu_{f0}}{=} x\overline{u}$, $x\overline{D} \stackrel{\mu_{f0}}{=} x\overline{d} + x\overline{s}$

Evolution using DGLAP equations at LO, NLO and NNLO Fits to the data using χ^2 method

14 fit parameters at NNLO Heavy Quarks from Roberts-Thorne Variable Flavour Number Scheme

HERAFitter framework used (www.herafitter.org)

HERAPDF2.0 - inclusive data comparison



 $\chi^{2}/dof = 1357/1131$ (HERAPDF2.0) for Q²_{min} = 3.5 GeV²

tried also $Q^2_{min} = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ (HERAPDF2.0HiQ2) χ^2 /dof = 1156/1002

including jet data Q^2_{min} = 3.5 GeV² (HERAPDF2.0Jets) χ^2 /dof = 1568/1340

Good description of NC, CC data by NLO and NNLO HERAPDF2.0

HERAPDF2.0 - comparison to low Q² data



Description generally good, however some problems at low x and Q^2 with the turnover related to F_L .

For the lowest Q² prediction too high, however the turnover present as expected at low x and Q².

Parton distribution functions extracted with HERAPDF2.0



Experimental, model and parametrisation uncertainties shown separately.

HERAPDF2.0 parton distributions NNLO vs NLO



Bands show total PDF uncertainty calculated by adding in quadrature experimental, model and parametrisation uncertainties.

Main difference - different shapes of gluon distributions.

Valence quarks very similar.

HERAPDF2.0 parton distributions NLO vs LO



LO predictions needed for LO Monte Carlo generators.

Only experimental uncertainties shown for LO predictions.

Gluon distribution at LO rises much faster than in NLO.

 xu_v distribution softer at LO.

Electroweak unification



xF₃ structure function



Good agreement with predictions.



Scaling violations



Scaling seen only at moderate x, at high and low x no scaling due to gluon emission and gluon splitting.

Rise of F₂ at low x



The higher Q² the steeper rise - another demonstration of scaling violation.

Determination of α_s



 α_s determined from QCD fit (to inclusive data + charm + jets) -HERAPDF2.0Jets with α_s as a free parameter

 $\alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1183 \pm$ 0.0009(exp)±0.0005(model/parameterisat ±0.0012(hadronisation)_{-0.0030}^{+0.0037}(scale)

Experimental uncertainty below 1%. Uncertainty dominated by theory -NNLO ep jet calculations needed.

Very good agreement with world average:

 $\alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1185$

Longitudinal structure function FL



Summary

- All inclusive HERA data combined in consistent set of NC and CC cross section measurements, spanning 6 orders of magnitude in x and Q².
- The inclusive cross sections used as an input to a QCD analysis within the DGLAP formalism. Resulting parton distributions -HERAPDF2.0 - available at LO, NLO, NNLO. Included into LHAPDF.
- All three structure functions (F₂, F_L and xF₃) measured.
- The results constitute
 the HERA legacy of nearly
 25 years of activity.

