

WSIP STATUS

Weak and Strong Interactions Phenomenology

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Topics:

- LHC phenomenology
- Determination of the structure of the nucleon
- Precision physics of strong and electroweak interactions

Organization:

- Local responsible: **Stefano Forte**
- National Network: Genova, Milano & Roma III
- CERN groups: PDF4LHC, LHeC, Higgs WG, EW WG
- Collaborations:
 - *Univ. Pierre et Marie Curie, Univ. Wuppertal, Univ. Hamburg, PV, MIB, SUNY Buffalo, CERN, Oxford Univ., Cambridge Univ., FI, RM1, MIT, Univ. Barcelona, NA, Univ. Zurich, Univ. Buenos Aires*

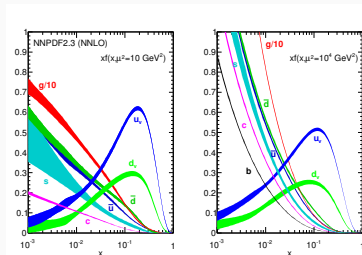
THEORY OVERVIEW

- PDFs are **essential** for a **realistic computation** of a hadron collider **observable**, σ , thanks to the factorization theorem

$$\sigma = \hat{\sigma} \otimes f,$$

where the elementary **hard cross-section** $\hat{\sigma}$ is convoluted with f the **PDF**.

- PDFs are **not calculable**: reflect non-perturbative physics of confinement, are **extracted** by comparing theoretical predictions to real data.
- The **hard scattering cross section** is process **dependent**, **calculable** with a **perturbative** expansion.



GROUP MEMBERS

<i>Name</i>	<i>INFN position</i>	<i>Time percentage</i>	<i>Details</i>
Vito Antonelli	Associato	50%	-
Stefano Carrazza	Associato	100%	Assegnista
Giancarlo Ferrera	Incarico di ricerca	100%	Ricercatore
Stefano Forte	Incarico di ricerca	100%	Prof. Ordinario
Elisa Mariani	Associato	100%	Dottorando
Claudio Muselli	Associato	100%	Dottorando INFN
João Pires	Associato	100%	Assegnista
Alessandro Vicini	Incarico di ricerca	100%	Prof. Associato

Table 1: Current WSIP-MI members

Research output:

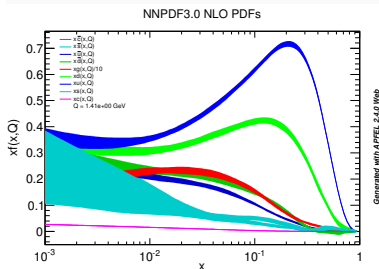
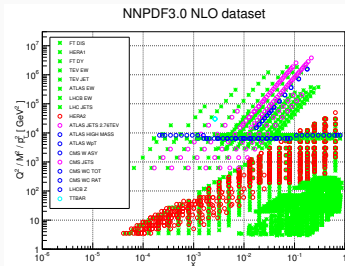
<i>Name</i>	<i>WSIP-MI</i>	<i>WSIP-all</i>	<i>%</i>
Publications	23	45	51
Talks	35	47	74
Thesis	6	10	60

Table 2: Data from July 2013 to July 2015

PARTON DISTRIBUTION FUNCTIONS (CARRAZZA-FORTE)



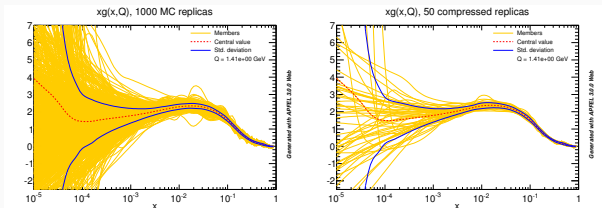
- Determination of NNPDF3.0 set of PDFs (Carrazza, Forte)



- Parton distributions with large- x threshold resummation (Carrazza)
- A first global determination of spin-dependent PDFs and their uncertainties: **NNPDFpol1.1** (Forte)



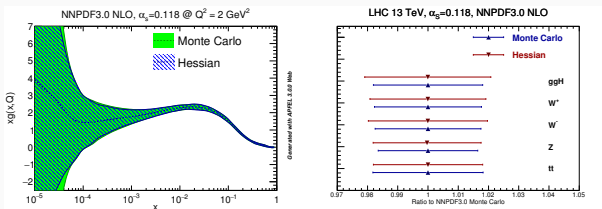
- Development of a **compression algorithm** for the combination of PDF sets: Compressed Monte Carlo PDF.
- **Reduction** of the total number of MC replicas, by means of statistical estimators and genetic algorithm.



- Simple generalization for the construction of a combined set of PDFs from multiple collaborations.
- It is the MC representation of the **PDF4LHC 2015 recommendation**.

mc²hessian

- Unbiased **Hessian representation** for Monte Carlo PDFs



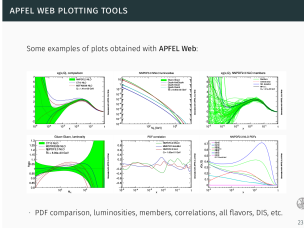
- Two methods based on: linear combination of replicas selected by genetic algorithm and principal component analysis.
- Validation with **phenomenology** results.
- Candidate for the **PDF4LHC 2015 recommendation**.



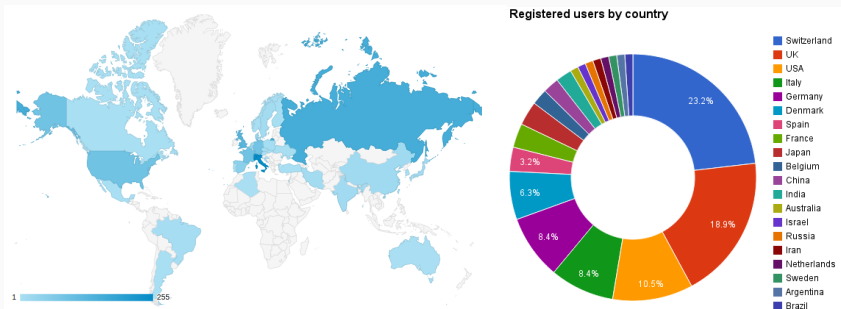
- **APFEL** is “A *Parton distribution Function Evolution Library*”
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- **APFEL Web**: a web-based application for PDF visualization
 - hosted at: <http://apfel.mi.infn.it/>



- Web analytics after 5 months of activity:

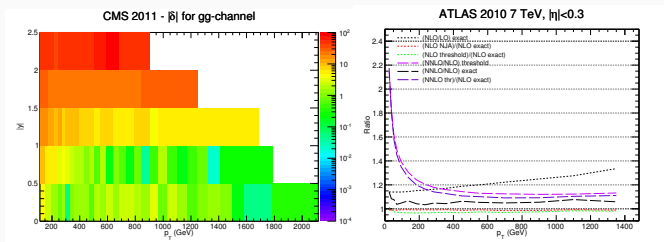


- 131 registered users from 20 countries
- Average of 258 visits monthly
- Completed more than 3500 jobs

QCD DESCRIPTION OF JET DATA (CARRAZZA-PIRES)

NNLO JET THRESHOLD APPROXIMATION (CARRAZZA-PIRES)

- Systematic comparison of jet predictions at the LHC and the Tevatron with accuracy up to NNLO.
- The **exact computation** at NNLO for the gg -channel is compared to approximation prediction based on **threshold resummation**.

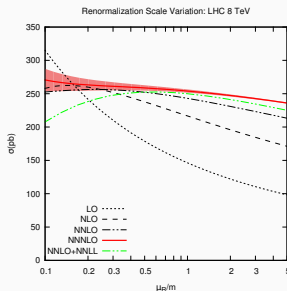


- Determine the **regions** where the **approximation** is reliable.
- Essential for NNLO PDF fits.

TOP QUARK PAIR PRODUCTION (FORTE-MUSELLI)

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- Approximate expression for the total cross section for the production of a heavy quark-antiquark pair in hadronic collisions at N³LO in α_s .

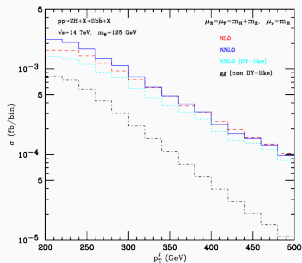


- N³LO corrections **increase** the predicted top pair cross section at the LHC by about 4% over the NNLO. It decreases the scale uncertainties for the top pair cross section at LHC in comparison to NNLO and NNLO+NNLL.

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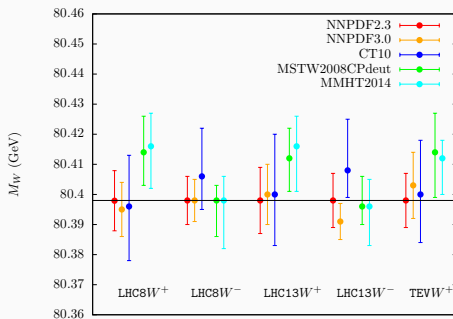
- Fully exclusive NNLO QCD calculation for ZH and WH production at hadron colliders implemented in the parton level Monte Carlo code **HVNNLO**.
- The **impact of NNLO QCD corrections** is particularly sizable at the LHC for **high- p_T Higgs boson events**.



- Extraction of the general expression** of the hard-virtual coefficient that contributes to threshold resummation at N^3 LL accuracy and soft-virtual N^3 LO corrections for the hard production of an arbitrary colorless system (for instance Higgs bosons and Drell-Yan lepton pairs).

HIGGS AND VECTOR BOSON PRODUCTION (VICINI)

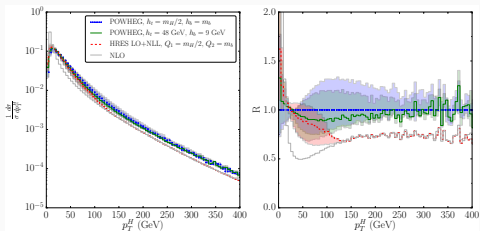
- PDF uncertainties on the W boson mass measurement from the lepton transverse momentum distribution.



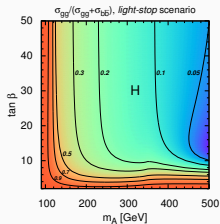
- Large differences between PDFs compared to an accuracy goal of 10 MeV, hope that an improvement of the global PDF analysis will remove this bottleneck towards a precise m_W measurement.

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- Higgs transverse momentum distribution in gluon fusion.



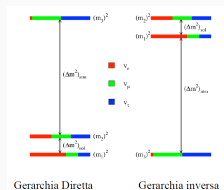
- Precise predictions for Higgs-boson production in the MSSM.



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- **Impact** on Astrophysics and Elementary Particle Physics of recent and future data from **natural** (solar) and **artificial** (reactor and accelerator) neutrino sources:
 - study of future **experiments** about **neutrino mass** and **oscillations**
 - test **theoretical models** (SM) with available **experimental data**.



- **Participation** in phenomenological analysis in the JUNO experiment, and in the Yellow Book “Physics at JUNO” (one of the “3 Major Contributors” to section concerning solar neutrinos)
- **Participation** and **report** about “Problemi aperti in fisica dei neutrini solari e sviluppi futuri” in “What Next - INFN”.

THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION.