

# The alternative approach to QCD analysis of the structure function $F_2^\gamma$

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# Outline

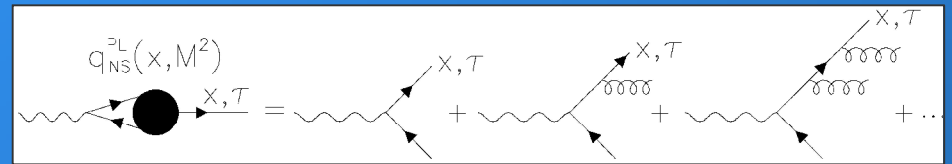
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# Evolution equations

System of inhomogeneous evolution equations:

$$\frac{dq_{NS}(x, M)}{d \ln M^2} = \delta_{NS} k_q + P_{NS} \otimes q_{NS}$$



$$\frac{d\Sigma(x, M)}{d \ln M^2} = \delta_{\Sigma} k_q + P_{qq} \otimes \Sigma + P_{qG} \otimes G$$

$$\frac{dG(x, M)}{d \ln M^2} = k_G + P_{Gq} \otimes \Sigma + P_{GG} \otimes G$$

where

$$q_{NS}(x, M) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} \left( e_i^2 - \langle e^2 \rangle^2 \right) \left( q_i(x, M) + \bar{q}_i(x, M) \right),$$

$$\Sigma(x, M) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} \left[ q_i(x, M) + \bar{q}_i(x, M) \right],$$

$$\delta_{NS} = 6 n_f \left( \langle e^4 \rangle - \langle e^2 \rangle^2 \right), \quad \delta_{\Sigma} = 6 n_f \langle e^2 \rangle$$

# Evolution equations

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...and

$$k_q(x, M) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left[ k_q^{(0)}(x) + \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} k_q^{(1)}(x) + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} \right)^2 k_q^{(2)}(x) + \dots \right]$$

$$k_G(x, M) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} k_G^{(1)}(x) + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} \right)^2 k_G^{(2)}(x) + \dots \right]$$

$$P_{ij}(x, M) = \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} P_{ij}^{(0)}(x) + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} \right)^2 P_{ij}^{(1)}(x) + \dots$$

← Splitting functions

Coefficient functions →

$$C_q(x, M) = \delta(1-x) + \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} C_q^{(1)}(x) + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} \right)^2 C_q^{(2)}(x) + \dots$$

$$C_G(x, M) = \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} C_G^{(1)}(x) + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} \right)^2 C_G^{(2)}(x) + \dots$$

$$C_\gamma(x, M) = C_\gamma^{(0)}(x, M) + \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} C_\gamma^{(1)}(x) + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{2\pi} \right)^2 C_\gamma^{(2)}(x) + \dots$$

# Photon structure $F_2^\gamma$

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## Photon structure function

$$\frac{1}{x} F_2^\gamma(x, Q^2) = \underbrace{q_{NS}(x, Q^2) \otimes C_q(x)}_{\text{Non-singlet}} + \underbrace{\langle e^2 \rangle \Sigma(x, Q^2) \otimes C_q(x)}_{\text{Singlet}} + \underbrace{\langle e^2 \rangle G(x, Q^2) \otimes C_G(x)}_{\text{Gluon}} + \underbrace{\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} (\delta_{NS} + \langle e^2 \rangle \delta_\Sigma)}_{\text{Photon}} C_\gamma(x)$$

contribution

# Solution of evolution equations

$$q(x, Q^2) = q^{PL}(x, Q^2) + q^{HAD}(x, Q^2)$$

## Pointlike solution LO

$$q_{PL}^{\gamma}(n, Q^2) = \frac{4\pi}{\alpha_s(Q^2)} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{\alpha_s(Q_0^2)} \right) \right) \frac{\alpha}{2\pi\beta_0} \frac{k^{(0)}(n)}{1 - \frac{2}{\beta_0} P^{(0)}(n)}$$

## Pointlike solution NLO

$$q_{PL}^{\gamma}(n, Q^2) = \frac{4\pi}{\alpha_s(Q^2)} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{\alpha_s(Q_0^2)} \right) \right) \frac{\alpha}{2\pi\beta_0} \frac{k^{(0)}(n)}{1 - \frac{2}{\beta_0} P^{(0)}(n)} \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} U \right) \\ + \left[ 1 - L^{-(2/\beta_0)P^{(0)}(n)} \right] \frac{1}{-P^{(0)}(n)} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left( k^{(1)}(n) - \frac{\beta_1}{2\beta_0} k^{(0)}(n) - U k^{(0)}(n) \right)$$

# Conventional formulation

$$\frac{1}{x} F_2^\gamma(x, Q^2) = \left[ q_{NS}(x, Q^2) + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} q_{NS}(x) \otimes C_q^{(1)}(x) + \dots \right] +$$

$$\langle e^2 \rangle \left[ \Sigma(x, Q^2) + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} \Sigma(x) \otimes C_q^{(1)}(x) + \dots \right] +$$

$$\langle e^2 \rangle \left[ \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} G(x) \otimes C_G^{(1)}(x) + \dots \right] +$$

$$\delta_\gamma \left[ \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} C_\gamma^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} C_\gamma^{(1)} + \dots \right] +$$

## Leading order

$$\frac{1}{x} F_{2,LO}^\gamma(x, Q^2) = q_{NS}(x, Q^2) + \Sigma(x, Q^2)$$

## Next to leading order

$$\frac{1}{x} F_{2,NLO}^\gamma(x, Q^2) = \frac{1}{x} F_{2,LO}^\gamma + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} q_{NS}(x) \otimes C_q^{(1)}(x) + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} \Sigma(x) \otimes C_q^{(1)}(x) + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} G(x) \otimes C_G^{(1)}(x) + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} C_\gamma^{(0)}$$

## Next-to-next to leading order

$$\frac{1}{x} F_{2,NNLO}^\gamma(x, Q^2) = \dots + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} C_\gamma^{(1)}$$

# Conventional formulation

Summary: the conventional approach is based on the assumptions:

- $F_{2,LO}^\gamma$  is related to  $q(x, Q^2)$  in the same way as for hadrons
- $q_{LO}(x, Q^2)$  are solutions of evolution equations including  $k_q^{(0)}$  and  $P_q^{(0)}$  only
- This leads to mixing the terms of  $\alpha$  and  $\alpha_s$  order in QCD expansion

$$\frac{1}{x} F_{2,LO}^\gamma(x, Q^2) = q_{LO}(x, Q^2)$$

$$\frac{1}{x} F_{2,NLO}^\gamma(x, Q^2) = q + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} q \otimes C_q^{(1)} + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} C_\gamma^{(0)}$$

For example the pure QED quantity  $C_\gamma^{(0)}$  is assigned to NLO order of QCD!

- Moreover, consistency with the factorization scale independence of  $F_2^\gamma$  requires that:

$$q_{LO}^{PL}(x, Q^2) = O(\alpha / \alpha_s)$$



Note, that provided  $M_0$  is kept fixed when  $\alpha_s \rightarrow 0$

$$q_{NS}^{PL}(x, M, M_0) \rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} k_{NS}^{(0)}(x) \ln \frac{M^2}{M_0^2}$$

...pure QED term describing splitting  $\gamma \rightarrow q\bar{q}$



# Alternative formulation

## Alternative approach is based on:

- Systematic separation of genuine QCD effects from those of pure QED origin, which leads to unambiguous definition of the concepts “leading” and “next-to-leading”
- Accepting the fact, that PL distribution functions of the photon are proportional to  $\alpha$



$$\frac{1}{x} F_{2,LO}^{\gamma,PL}(x, Q^2) = q_{NS}^{PL}(x, Q^2) + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} C_{\gamma}^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} q_{NS}^{PL}(x) \otimes C_q^{(1)}(x) + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} C_{\gamma}^{(1)}$$

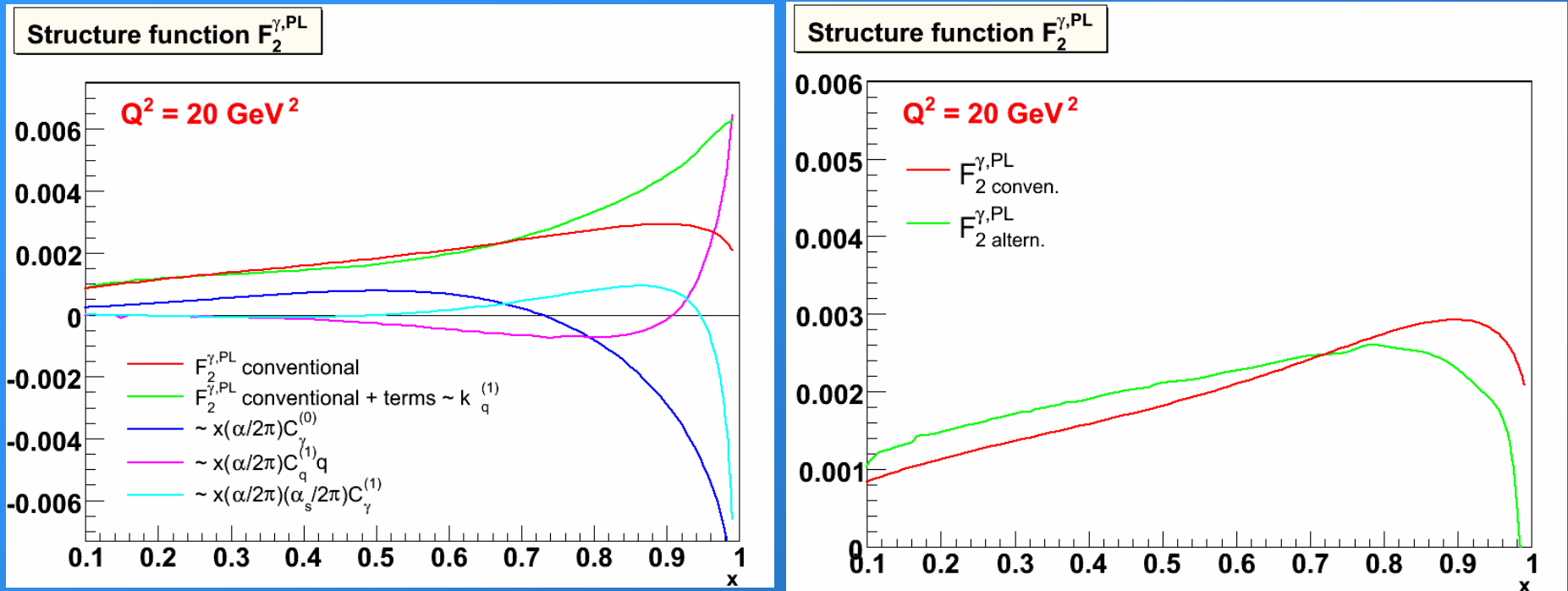
$$\left( + \langle e^2 \rangle q_{\Sigma}^{PL}(x, Q^2) + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} C_{\gamma}^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} q_{\Sigma}^{PL}(x) \otimes C_q^{(1)}(x) + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} C_{\gamma}^{(1)} \right)$$

**We can conclude that in LO the alternative approach differs from the conventional:**

- by the presence of the photonic coefficient functions  $C_{\gamma}^{(0)}$  and  $C_{\gamma}^{(1)}$
- by the presence of the convolution of quark coefficient function  $C_q^{(1)}$  with  $q^{PL}(x, Q^2)$
- by the fact  $k_q^{(1)}$  is included in the evolution equation for  $q^{PL}(x, Q^2)$

# Alternative formulation in LO

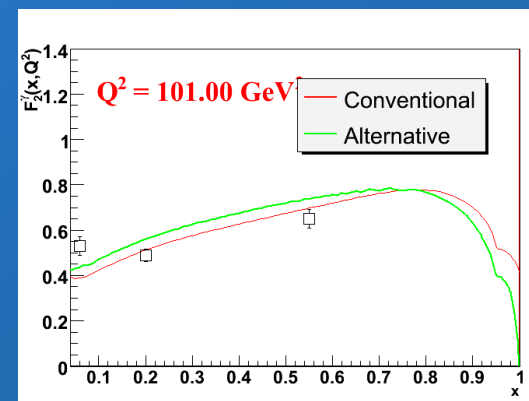
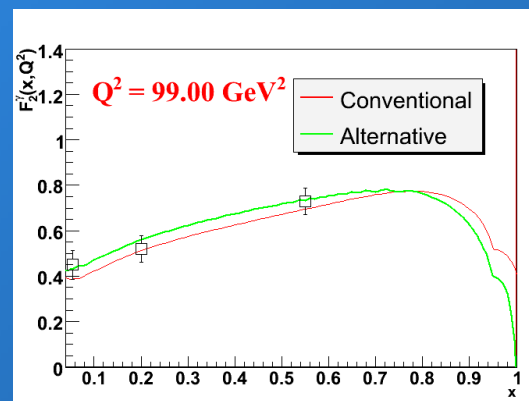
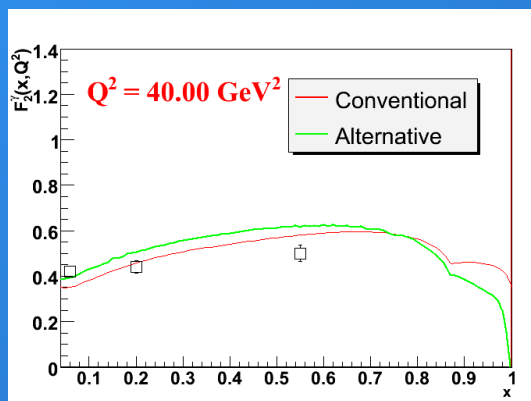
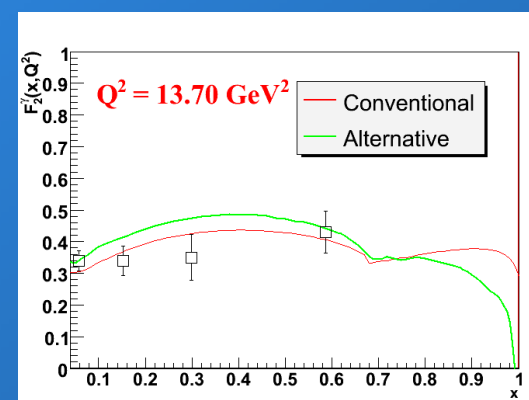
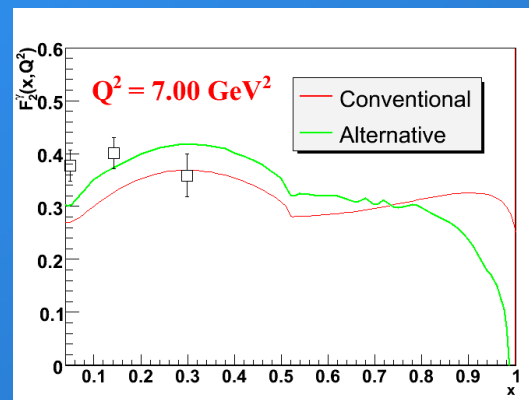
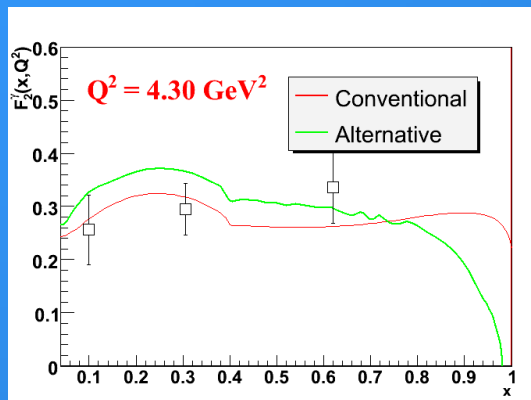
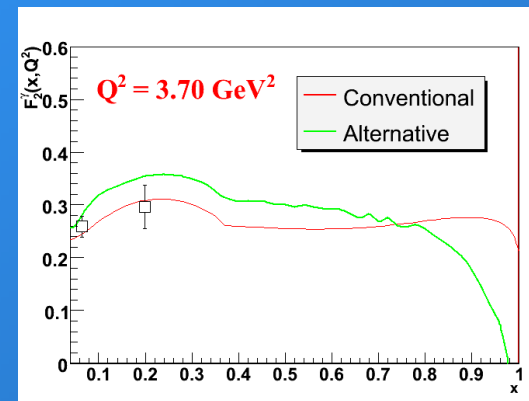
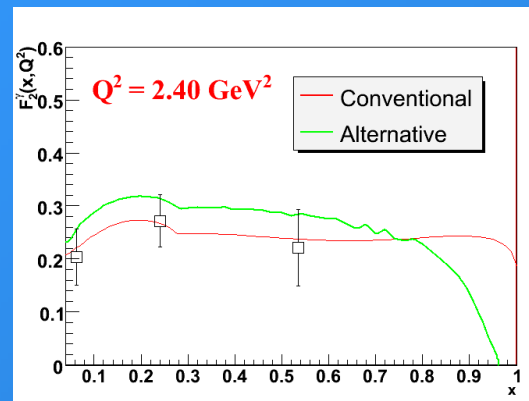
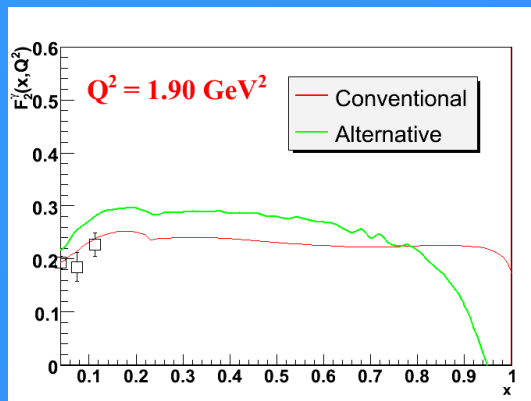
## Pointlike structure function $F_2^{\gamma, PL}$



- The terms  $\sim k_q^{(1)}$  represents an important positive contribution for  $x > 0.65$
- $C_\gamma^{(0)}$  and  $C_q^{(1)}$  brings the numerically important positive contribution up to  $x = 0.7$
- In region  $x > 0.7$  the negative contribution of  $C_\gamma^{(0)}$  dominates.
- $C_q^{(1)}$ , entering through the convolution with  $q$ , compensates the negative contribution of  $C_\gamma^{(0)}$

Numerical difference of conventional and alternative approach  
in comparison with experimental data errors

# Comparison $F_2^\gamma$ in conventional and alternative approach



# Alternative formulation

	Conventioanal	Alternative
LO QCD	$k^{(0)}, P^{(0)}$ ✓	$+ C_\gamma^{(0)}, k^{(1)}, C_\gamma^{(1)}, C_q^{(1)}$ ✓
NLO QCD	$k^{(0)}, P^{(0)}, k^{(1)}, C_\gamma^{(0)}, P^{(1)}, C_q^{(1)}$ ✓	$+ C_\gamma^{(1)}, k^{(2)}, C_q^{(2)}, C_\gamma^{(2)}$ ✗

All quantities except  $C_\gamma^{(2)}$  are known →

- both LO and NLO analysis of  $F_2^\gamma$  in conventional approach is possible to perform
- In alternative approach only LO of  $F_2^\gamma$  analysis is possible to perform

## Global analysis of photon structure function $F_2^\gamma$ in LO

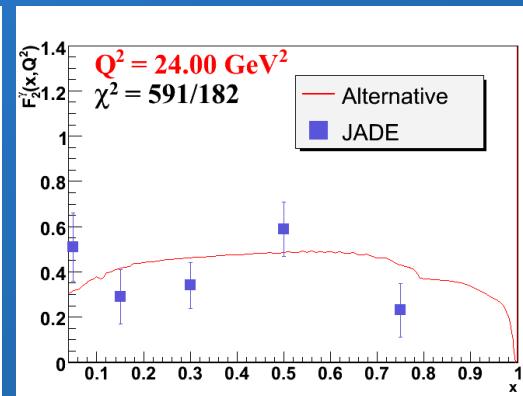
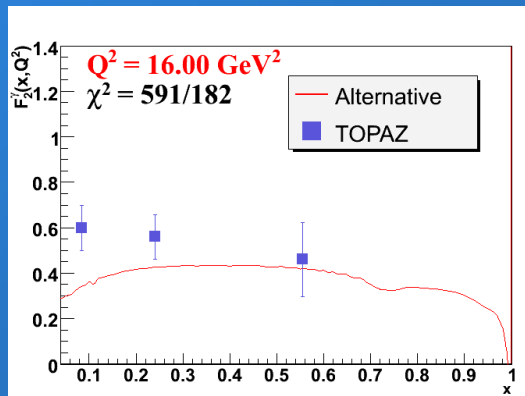
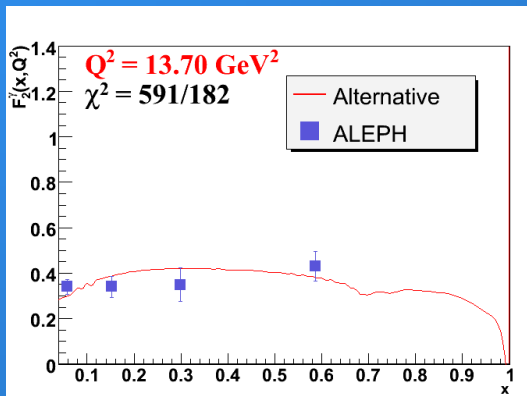
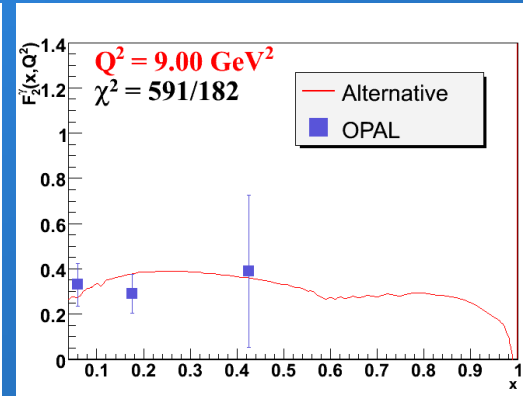
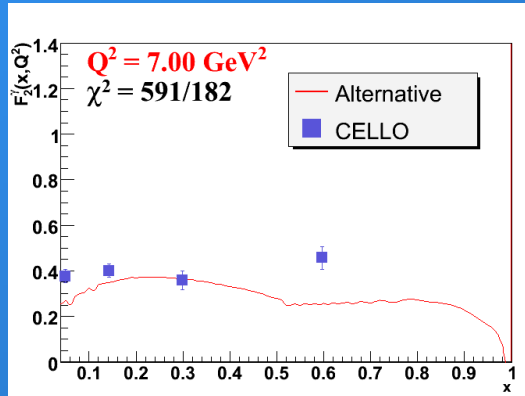
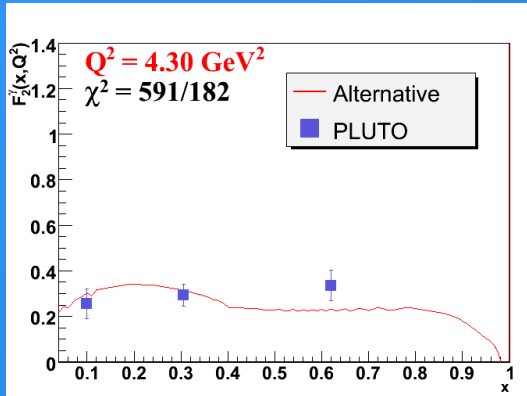
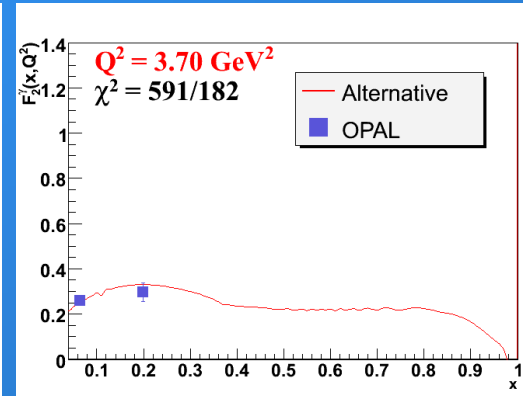
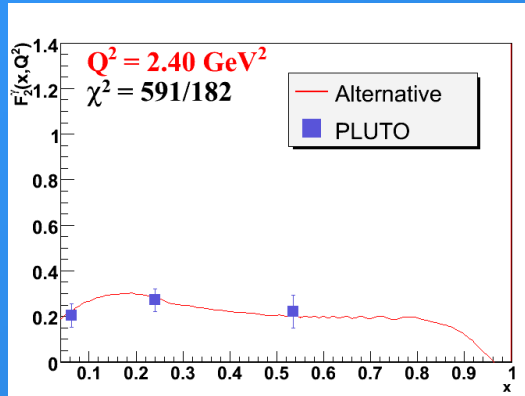
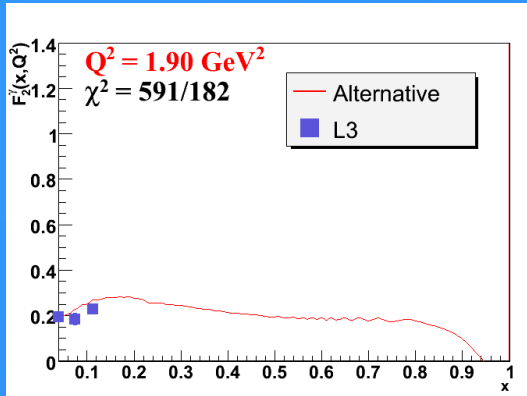
- follows FFNS<sub>CJKL</sub> model (3 active quarks,  $\Lambda=313$  MeV)
- 182 data points used
- $\chi^2 = 357/182$  reached

Parameterization:

$$f_{had}^\gamma(x, Q_0^2) = \kappa \frac{4\pi\alpha}{\hat{f}_\rho^2} f^\rho(x, Q_0^2, \alpha, \beta)$$

	$\chi^2$	$\kappa$	$\alpha$	$\beta$
conventional	357	1.726	0.465	0.127
alternative	work in progress			

# Global analysis



# Next-to-leading order – nonsinglet case

Coupling constant  $\alpha_s(M)$  satisfies

$$\frac{d\alpha_s(M)}{d \ln M} = -\beta_0 \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{4\pi} - \beta_1 \frac{\alpha_s^2(M)}{16\pi^2}$$

In conventional approach:

- qPL satisfy the evolution equation, where splitting functions  $k^{(1)}$  and  $P^{(1)}$  are included

$$\frac{dq_{NS}(x, M)}{d \ln M^2} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} k_q^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} k_q^{(1)} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{NS}^{(0)} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 P_{NS}^{(1)} \right) \otimes q_{NS}$$

In alternative approach:

- qPL satisfy the evolution equation, where, moreover, splitting functions  $k^{(2)}$  is included

$$\frac{dq_{NS}(x, M)}{d \ln M^2} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} k_q^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} k_q^{(1)} + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 k_q^{(2)} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{NS}^{(0)} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 P_{NS}^{(1)} \right) \otimes q_{NS}$$

These two approaches differs by

$$q_{NLO}^{PL,ALT}(n) - q_{NLO}^{PL,CON}(n) = \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{-1 - \frac{2P^{(0)}(n)}{\beta_0}} \frac{\alpha k^{(2)}(n)}{2\pi^2 \beta_0} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{\alpha_s(M)}{\alpha_s(M_0)} \right)^{-1 - \frac{2P^{(0)}(n)}{\beta_0}} \right)$$

- this contribution is significantly smaller than the corresponding contribution in leading order ( $\sim k^{(1)}$ )

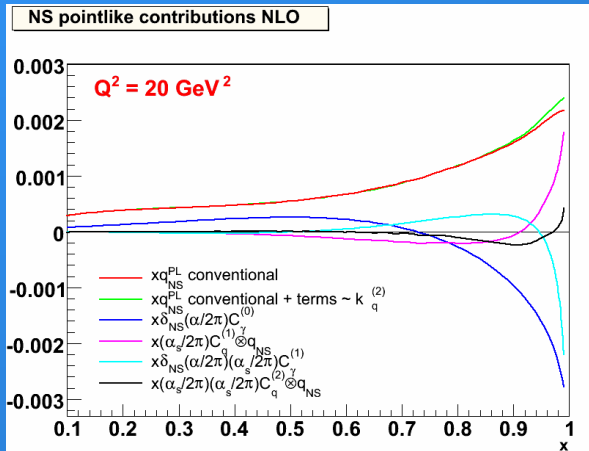
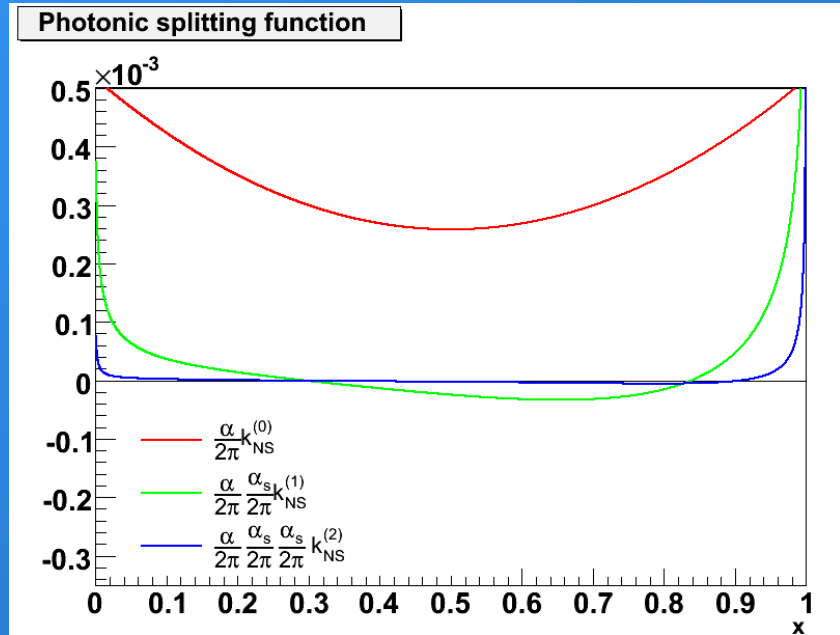


# Next-to-leading order – nonsinglet case

Photonic splitting function:

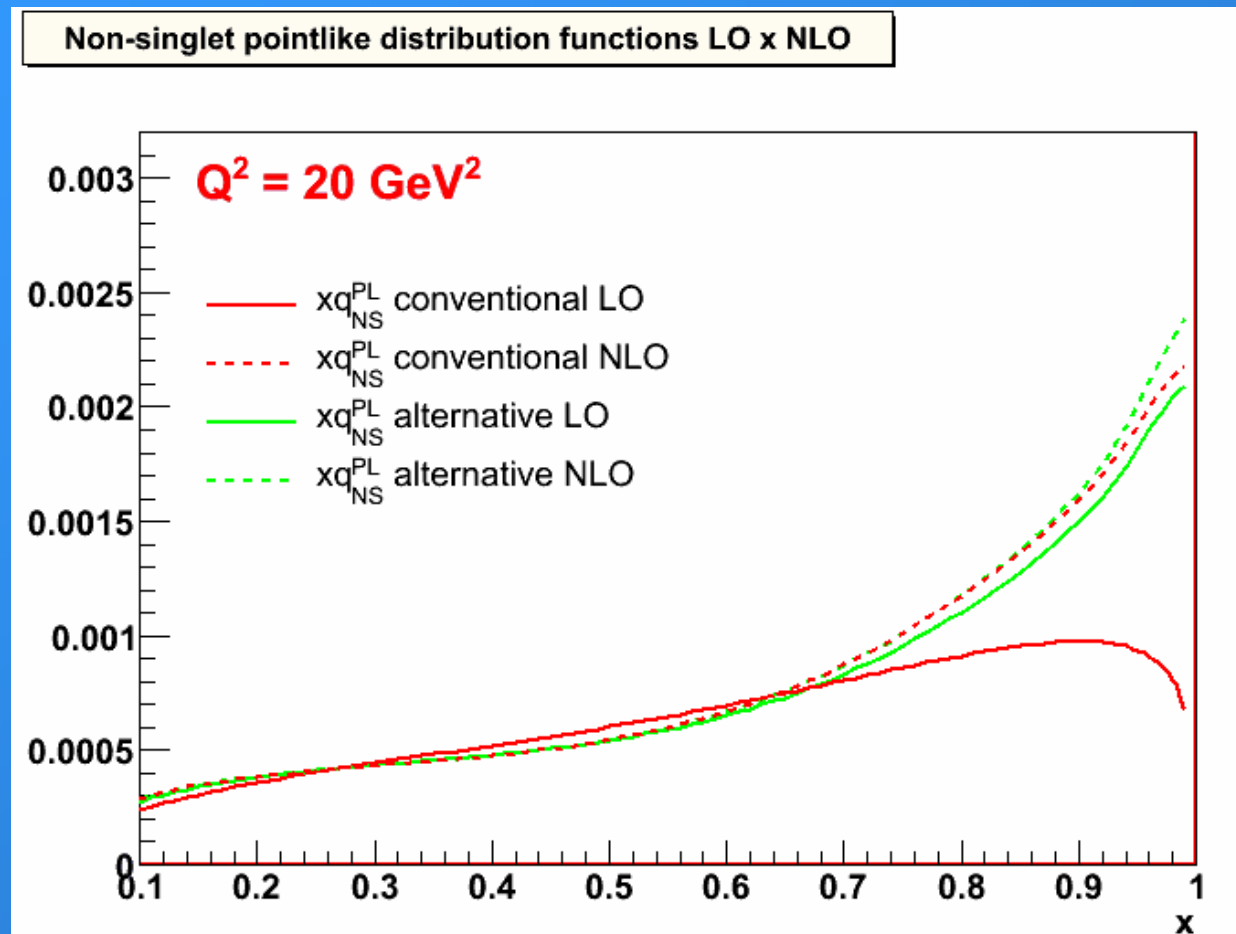
$$k(x) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} k^{(0)}(x) + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} k^{(1)}(x) + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^2 k^{(2)}(x)$$

Including the terms  $\sim k^{(2)}$  to the evolution equation for PL NS distribution function has only small numerical effect for its solution



- The terms  $\sim k^{(2)}$  represents very small positive correction for  $x$  close to 1
- $C_\gamma^{(0)}$  and  $C_\gamma^{(1)}$  brings the numerically important positive contribution up to  $x = 0.7$
- In region  $x > 0.7$  the negative contribution of  $C_\gamma^{(0)}$  dominates.
- $C_q^{(1)}$ , entering through the convolution with  $q$ , compensates the negative contribution of  $C_\gamma^{(1)}$
- $C_q^{(2)}$  has only small numerical effect in region  $x$  close to 1

# Next-to-leading order – nonsinglet case – pointlike part



- the difference between LO and NLO in conventional approach is much bigger than in the alternative one
- this difference is comparable with effect of including  $k^{(1)}$  to standard LO  $\rightarrow$  LO in alternative approach
- ! • PL distribution function in NLO in conventional approach is comparable with the PL distribution function in LO in alternative one

# Conclusion

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- The alternative approach to QCD analysis of  $F_2^\gamma$  was proposed

In LO it differs

- by including terms  $\sim k^{(1)}$  to the evolution equations for photonic distribution functions
- by including terms  $\sim C_\gamma^{(0)}$ ,  $C_\gamma^{(1)}$  and  $C_q^{(1)}$  to the formula for  $F_2^\gamma$

In NLO it differs

- by including terms  $\sim k^{(2)}$  to the evolution equations for photonic distribution functions
- by including terms  $\sim C_\gamma^{(2)}$  and  $C_q^{(2)}$  to the formula for  $F_2^\gamma$

- The numerical difference with the conventional approach was shown

In LO in the alternative approach

- the pointlike distribution functions are significantly bigger and they are numerically comparable with the pointlike distribution functions in NLO in conventional approach
- numerical difference of  $F_2^\gamma$  is significant in comparison to the errors of experimental data

In NLO in the alternative approach

- the pointlike distribution functions are numerically comparable to those of conventional approach
- in order to compare  $F_2^\gamma$ , the photonic coefficient function  $C_\gamma^{(2)}$  is need

- Global analysis of the structure function  $F_2^\gamma$  in alternative approach in LO was performed

In FFNS<sub>CJKL</sub> model the quality of the fit is unsatisfactory  $\longrightarrow$  work in progress