



REGRESSION NETWORKS: PRECISION AND UNCERTAINTY ESTIMATION

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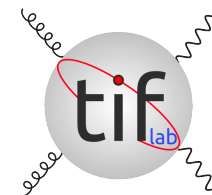
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III: PROPER LEARNING

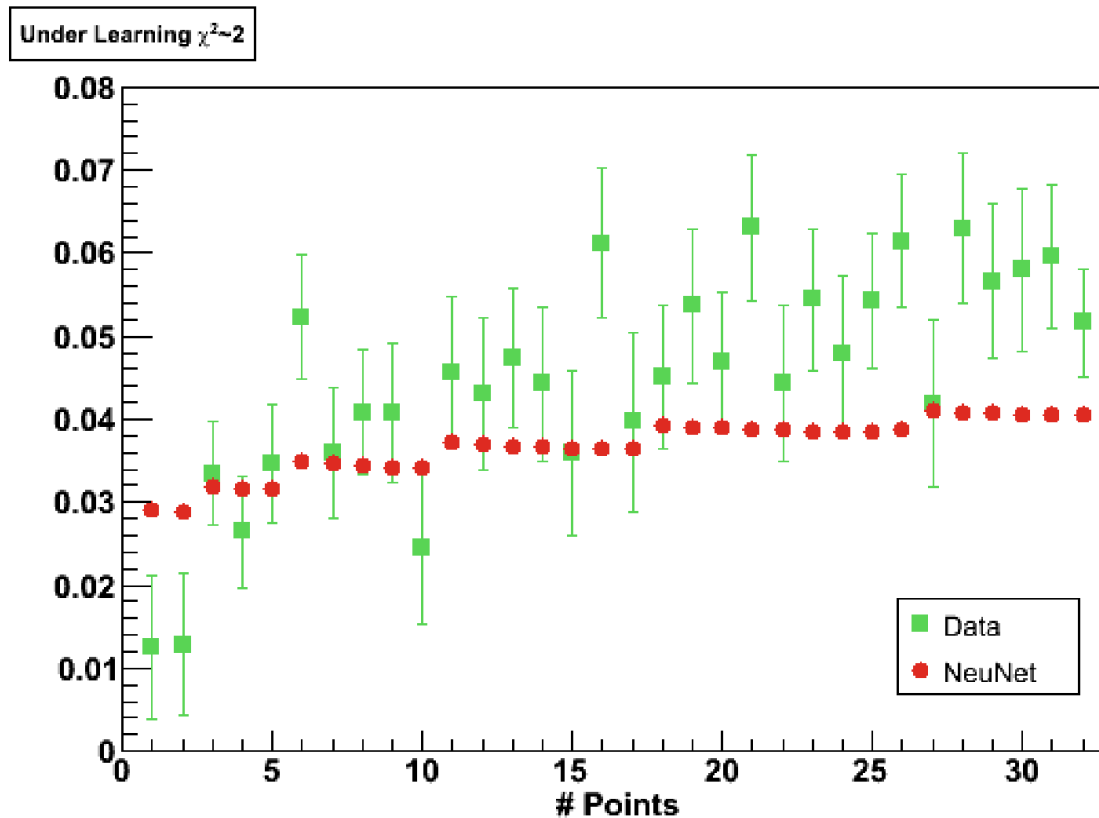
- **CROSS-VALIDATION**
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CROSS-VALIDATION

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- UNTIL LEARNING NOISE
- WHEN SHOULD ONE STOP?

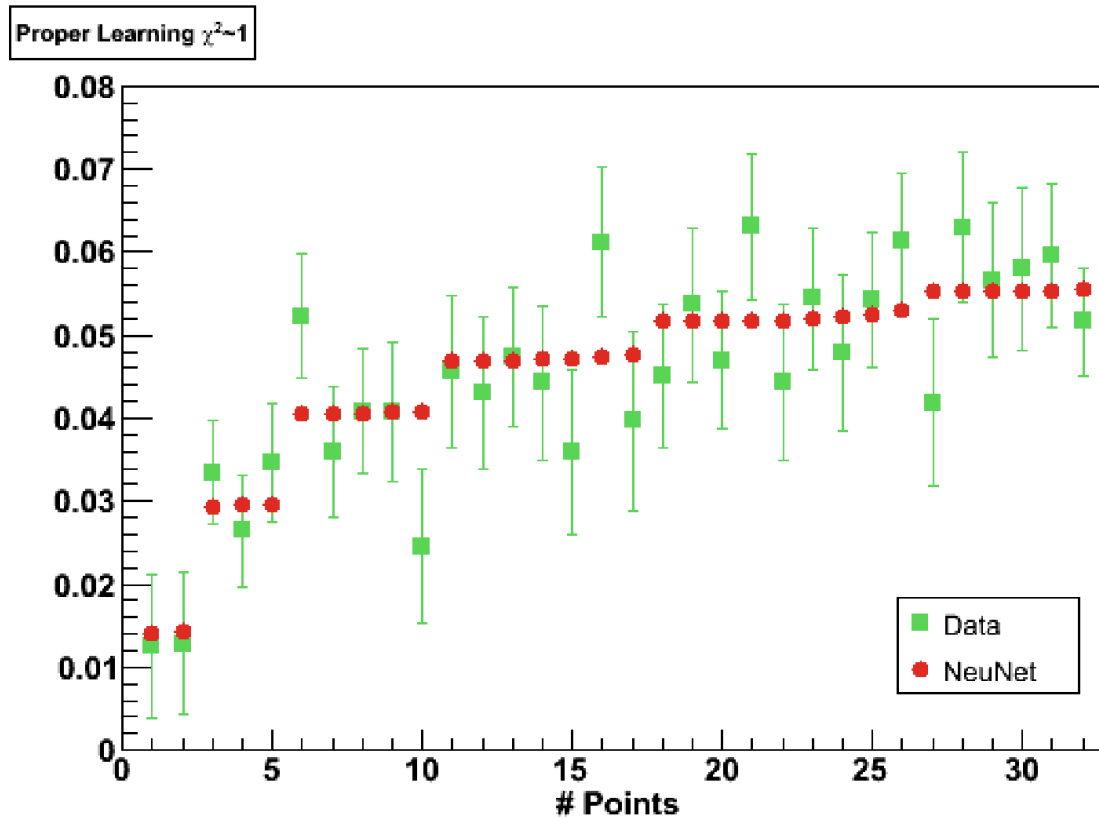
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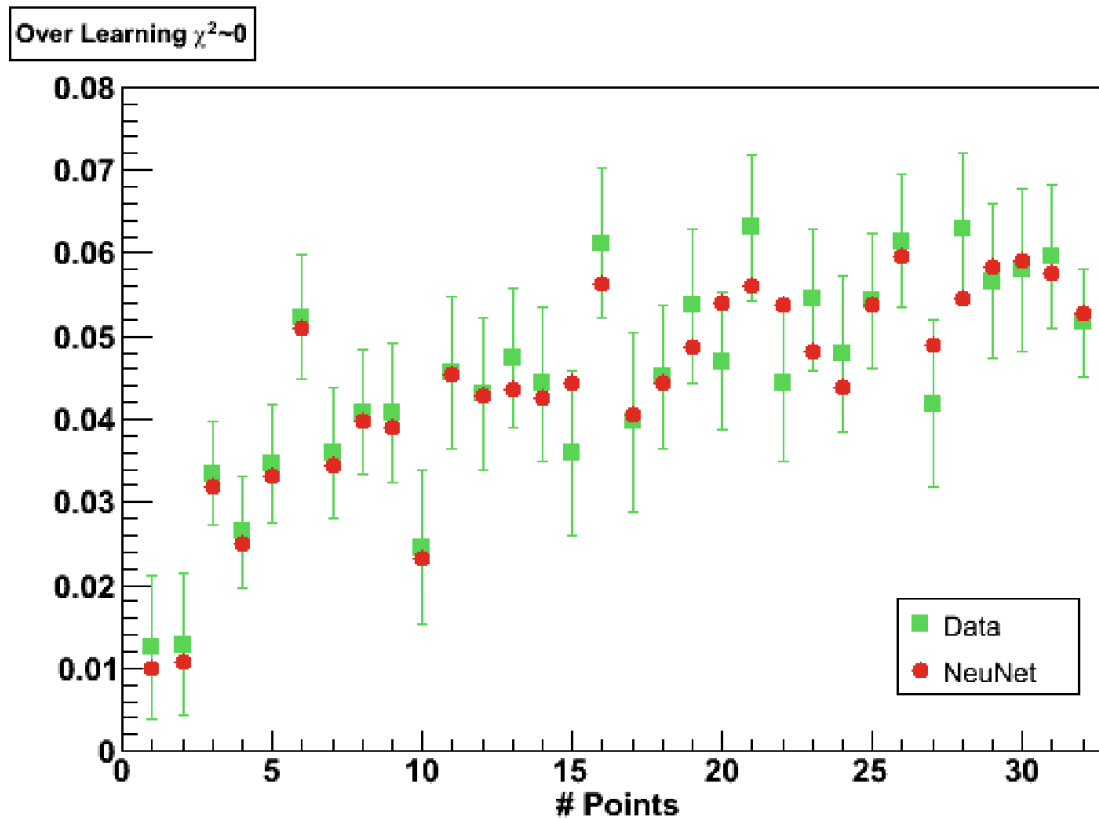
PROPER LEARNING



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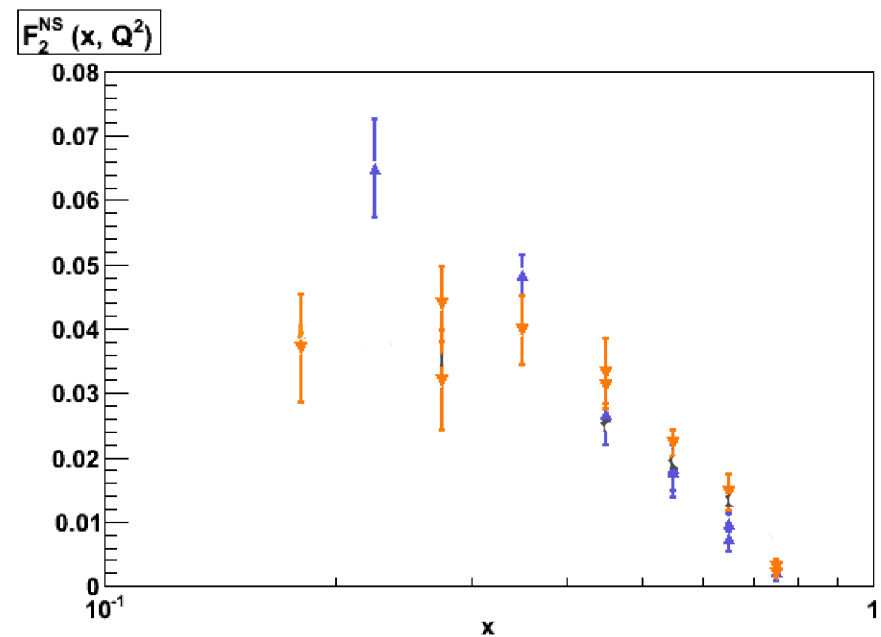
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OVERLEARNING



OPTIMAL LEARNING: CROSS-VALIDATION

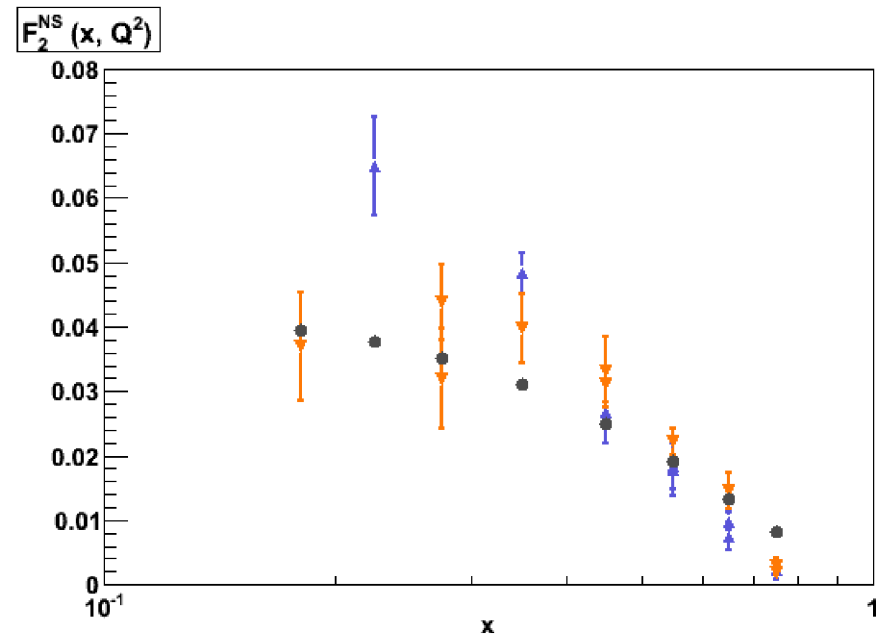
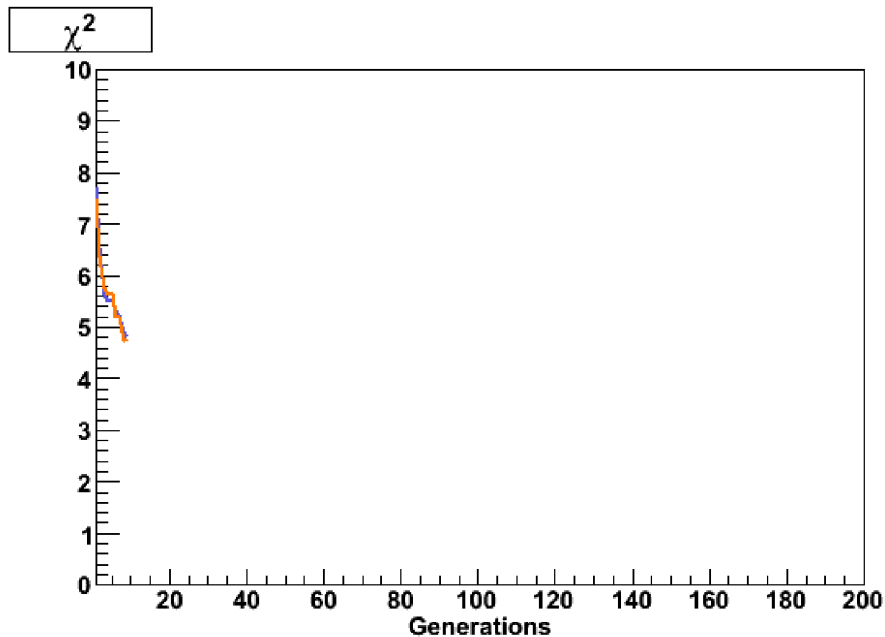
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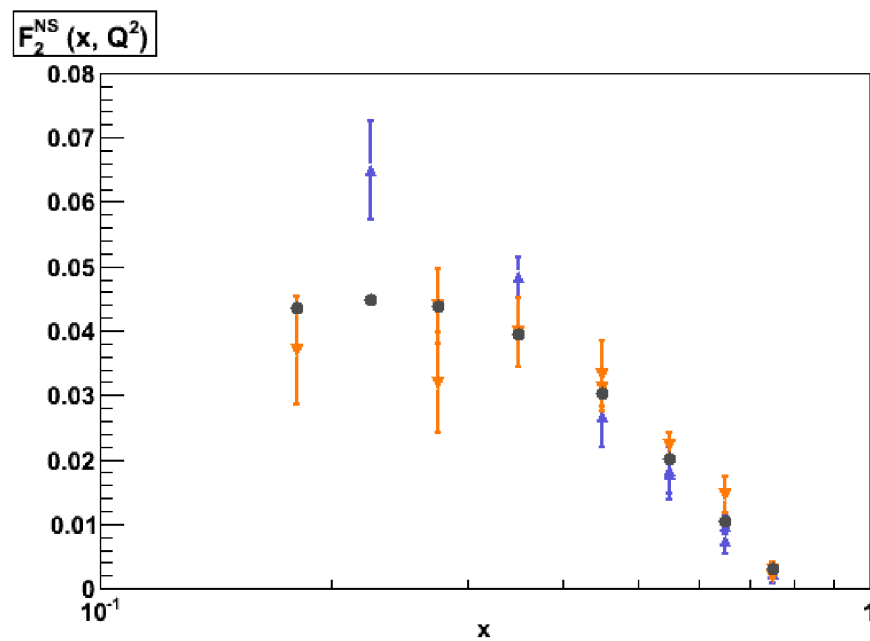
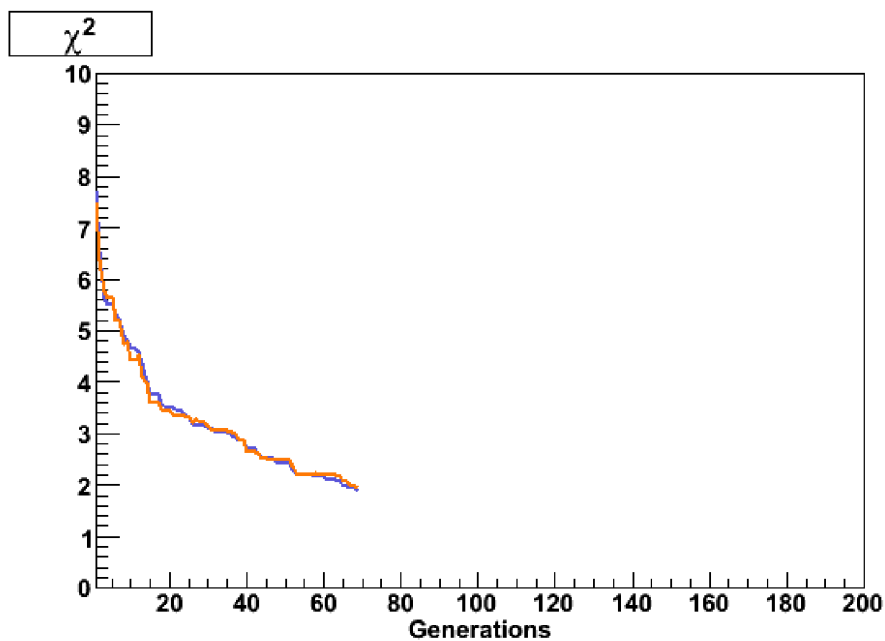
GO!



OPTIMAL FIT: CROSS-VALIDATION

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STOP!



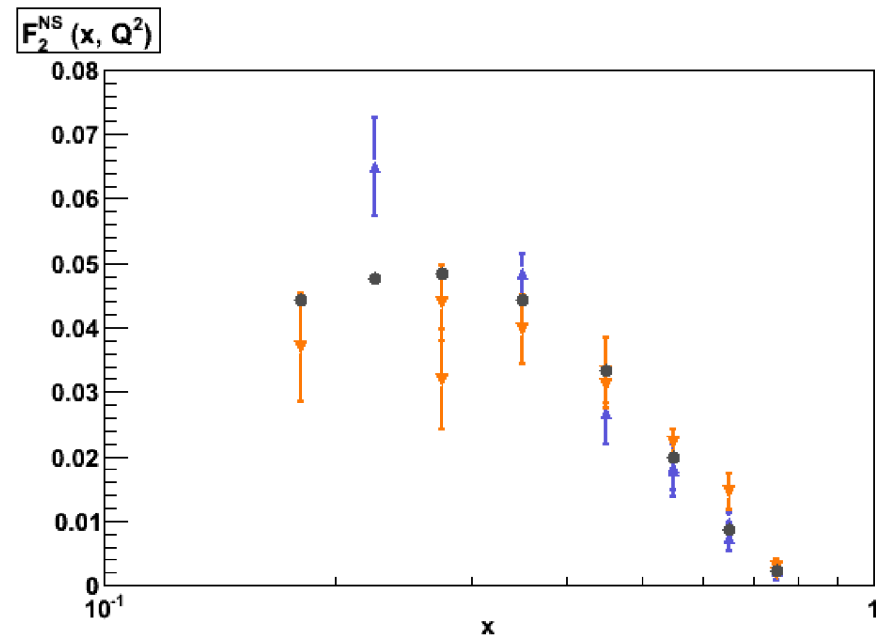
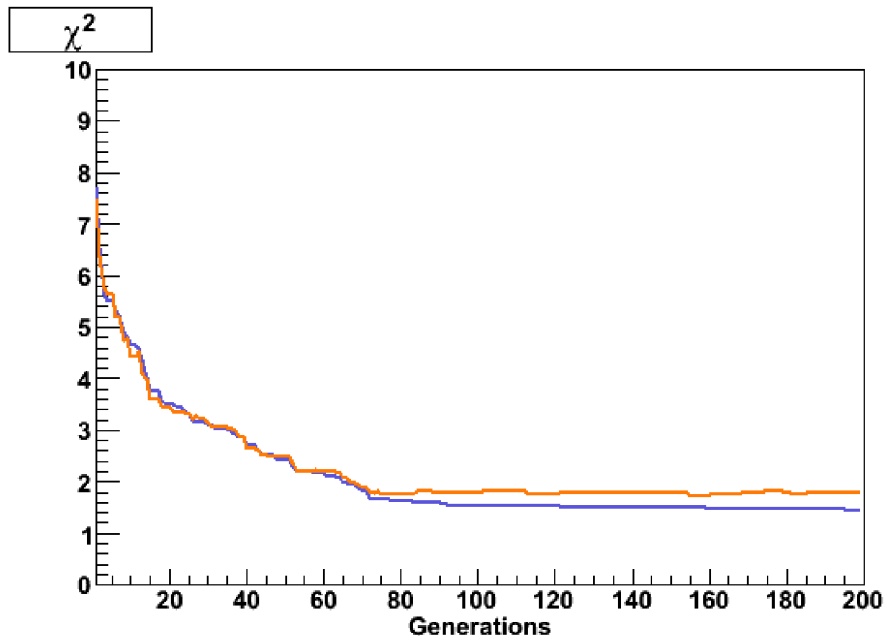
OPTIMAL FIT: CROSS-VALIDATION

GENETIC MINIMIZATION:

AT EACH GENERATION, χ^2 EITHER UNCHANGED OR DECREASING

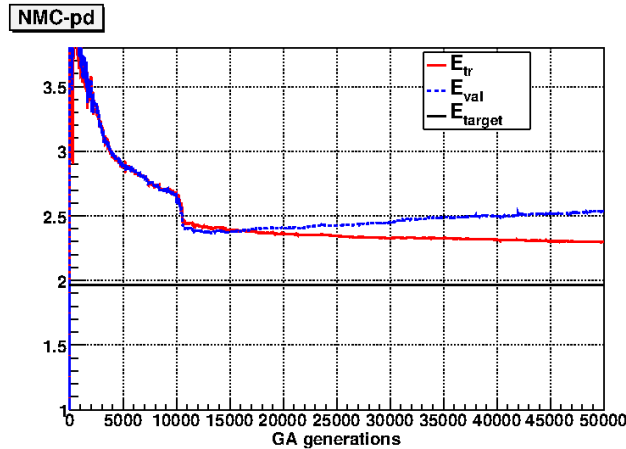
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TOO LATE!



STOPPING

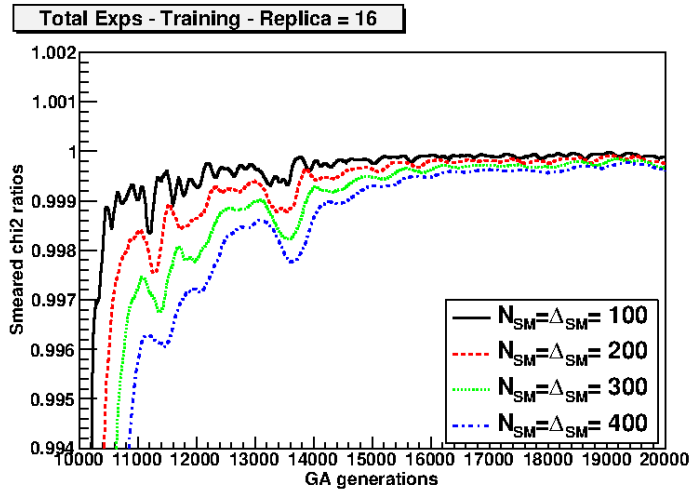
TRAINING/VALIDATION LOSS WITH NO STOPPING



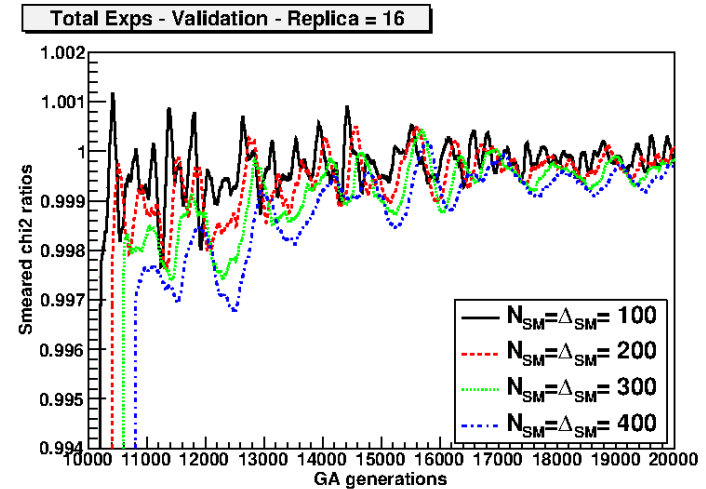
THRESHOLD STOPPING

- define tr/val ratios $r_{\text{tr}} \equiv \frac{\langle E_{\text{tr}}(i) \rangle}{\langle E_{\text{tr}}(i - \Delta_{\text{smear}}) \rangle}$, $r_{\text{val}} \equiv \frac{\langle E_{\text{val}}(i) \rangle}{\langle E_{\text{val}}(i - \Delta_{\text{smear}}) \rangle}$
 WITH MOVING-AVERAGED LOSS $\langle E_{\text{tr, val}}(i) \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{N_{\text{smear}}} \sum_{l=i-N_{\text{smear}}+1}^i E_{\text{tr, val}}(l)$
- STOP IF $r_{\text{tr}} > 1 - \delta_{\text{tr}}$; $r_{\text{val}} > 1 + \delta_{\text{val}}$
 (training does not decrease too much, validation increases)

AVERAGED TRAINING LOSS

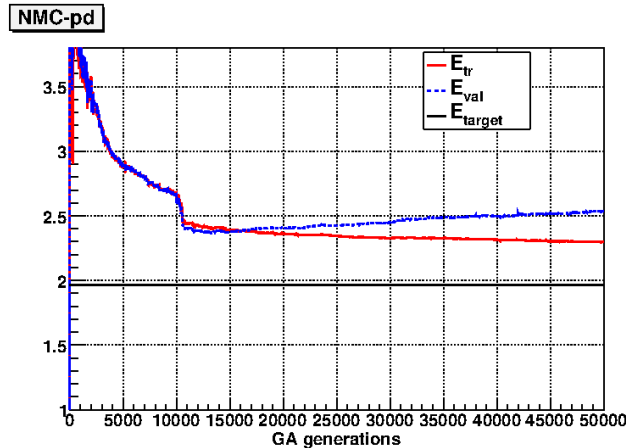


AVERAGED VALIDATION LOSS



STOPPING

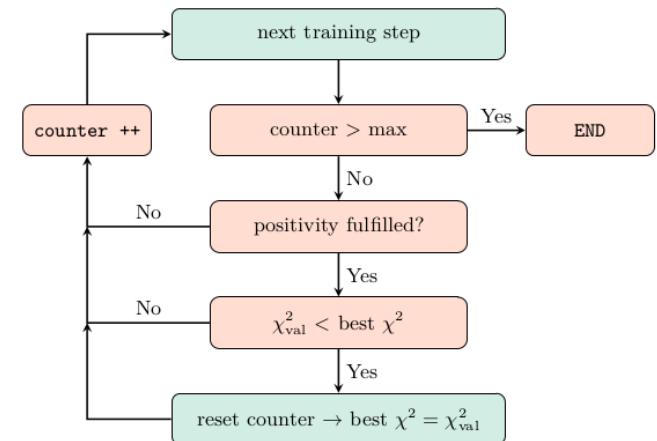
TRAINING/VALIDATION LOSS WITH NO STOPPING



LOOKBACK STOPPING

- **NO (INFINITE) PATIENCE:**
 - TRAIN FOR MAX N_{max} GENERATIONS
- **FINITE PATIENCE**
 - VALIDATION LOSS NOT DECREASING
⇒ KEEP TRAINING FOR $N_{patience}$ GENERATIONS
- GO BACK& STOP AT ABSOLUTE MINIMUM OF VALIDATION LOSS

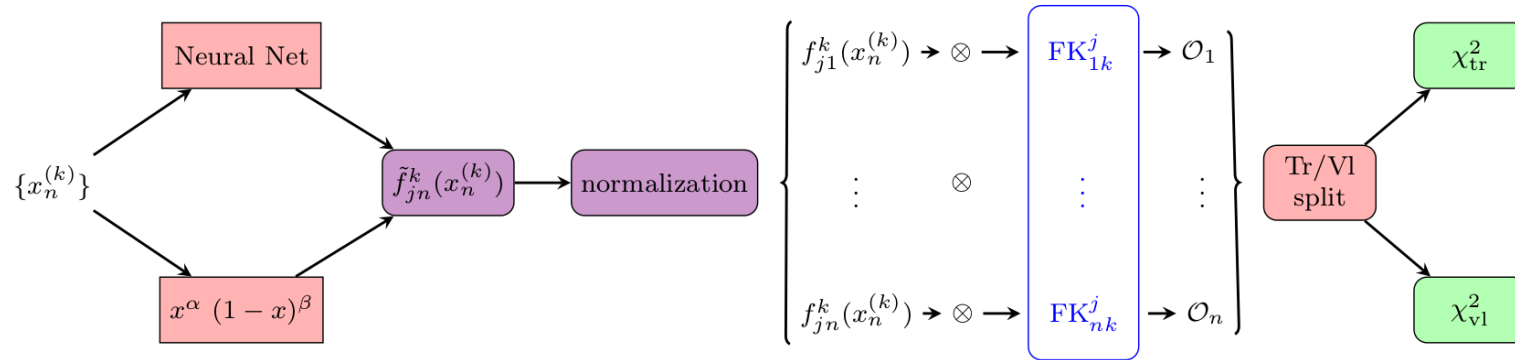
THE PATIENCE ALGORITHM



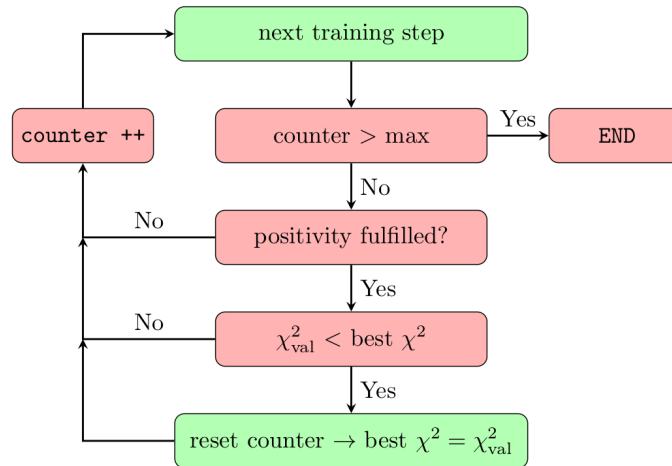
HYPEROPTIMIZATION

THE ALGORITHM

CROSS-VALIDATION



STOPPING



THE HYPERPARAMETERS

MODEL	MINIMIZATION
Number of layers	Optimizer
Size of each layer	Initializer
Activation functions	Learning rate
Initial positivity	Clipnorm
Initial integrability	Maximum number of epochs
	Stopping Patience

HYPERPARAMETER SELECTION

GAUSSIAN PROCESS INTERPOLATION

- VIEW FUNCTION $f(x_i)$ AS VECTOR \vec{y} WITH COMPONENTS $y_i = f(x_i)$
- ASSUME y_i DISTRIBN. **MULTIGAUSSIAN**: $p(y_i) = \exp \frac{1}{2} (y_i - y_i^0) C_{ij} (y_j - y_j^0)$
- ASSUME 0-TH ORDER **COVARIANCE** MATRIX GIVEN BY **KERNEL** DEFINED FOR ALL x :
 $C_{ij} = K(x_i, x_j)$
E.G. $K(x, x') = \theta_0 \exp - \left[\frac{\theta_1}{2} (x - x')^2 \right] + \theta_2 + \theta_3 x x'$
- COMBINED GAUSSIAN C_{ij} BASED ON OBSERVED $y_i \Rightarrow$ **MULTIGAUSSIAN** WITH
 $C_{ij} = K(x_i, x_j) + \text{cov}_{ij}$, cov_{ij} EXPT COVARIANCE MATRIX
- **DETERMINE POSTERIOR** (CONDITIONAL) GAUSSIAN FOR UNOBSERVED x_i

GOAL: MINIMIZE LOSS IN PARAMETER SPACE

- **SAMPLE** LOSS FOR A SET OF HYPERPARAMETER VALUES
- **INTERPOLATE** LOSS USING GAUSSIAN PROCESS
- LOOK FOR POINTS WITH **MAXIMAL EXPECTED GAIN**
 \Rightarrow CLOSE TO MIN OF INTERPOLATED LOSS, OR WITH LARGE UNCERTAINTY
- **SAMPLE AGAIN**

THE APPLICATION OF BAYESIAN
METHODS FOR SEEKING THE EXTREMUM

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The purpose of this paper is to describe how the Bayesian approach can be applied to the global optimization of multiextremal functions. The function to be minimized is considered as a realization of some stochastic function. The optimization technique based upon the minimization of the expected deviation from the extremum is called Bayesian. The implementation of Bayesian methods is considered.

The results of the application to the minimization of some standard test functions are given.

INTRODUCTION

Many well known methods for seeking the extremum have been developed on the basis of quadratic approximation. In some problems of global optimization the function to be minimized can be considered as a realization of some stochastic function. The optimization technique based upon the minimization of the expected deviation from the extremum is called Bayesian.

The description of such methods is given in [1, 2, 3]. However, to make this paper reasonably complete a brief definition of the Bayesian methods will be given.

DEFINITION OF BAYESIAN METHODS

Assume the function to be minimized is a realization $f(x, \omega)$ of some stochastic function $f(x)$, where $x \in A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\omega \in \Omega$ is some fixed but unknown index.

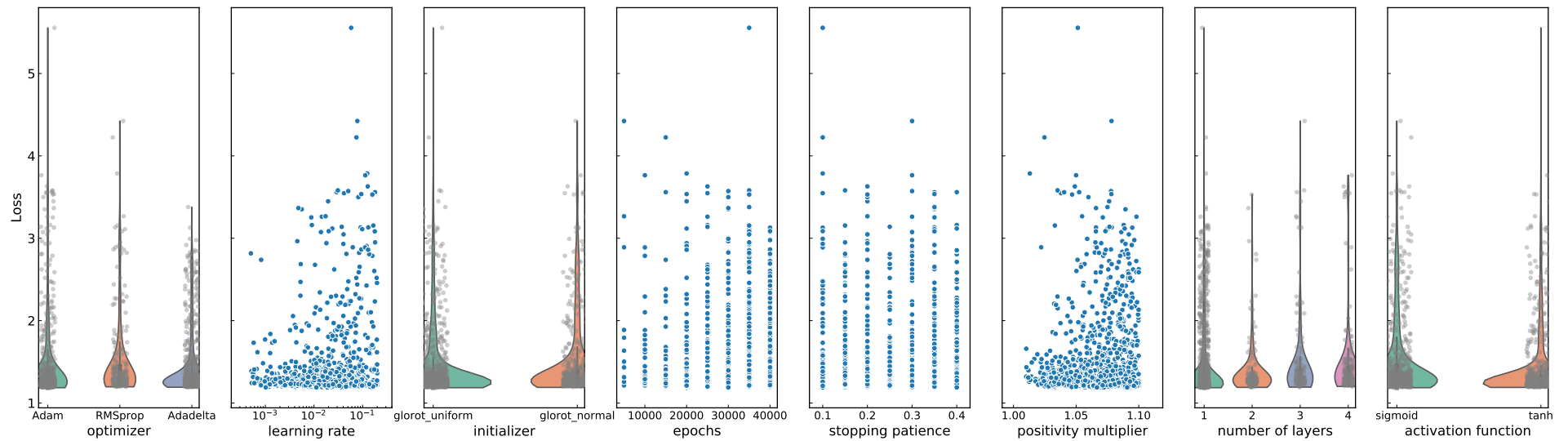
The probability distribution P on Ω is defined by the equalities:

$$F_{x_1, \dots, x_m}(y_1, \dots, y_m) = P\left\{\omega : f(x_1, \omega) < y_1, \dots, f(x_m, \omega) < y_m\right\} \quad (1)$$

where P is a priori probability of an event:

$$\left\{\omega : f(x_1, \omega) < y_1, \dots, f(x_m, \omega) < y_m\right\} \quad (2)$$

HYPEROPTIMIZATION SCAN

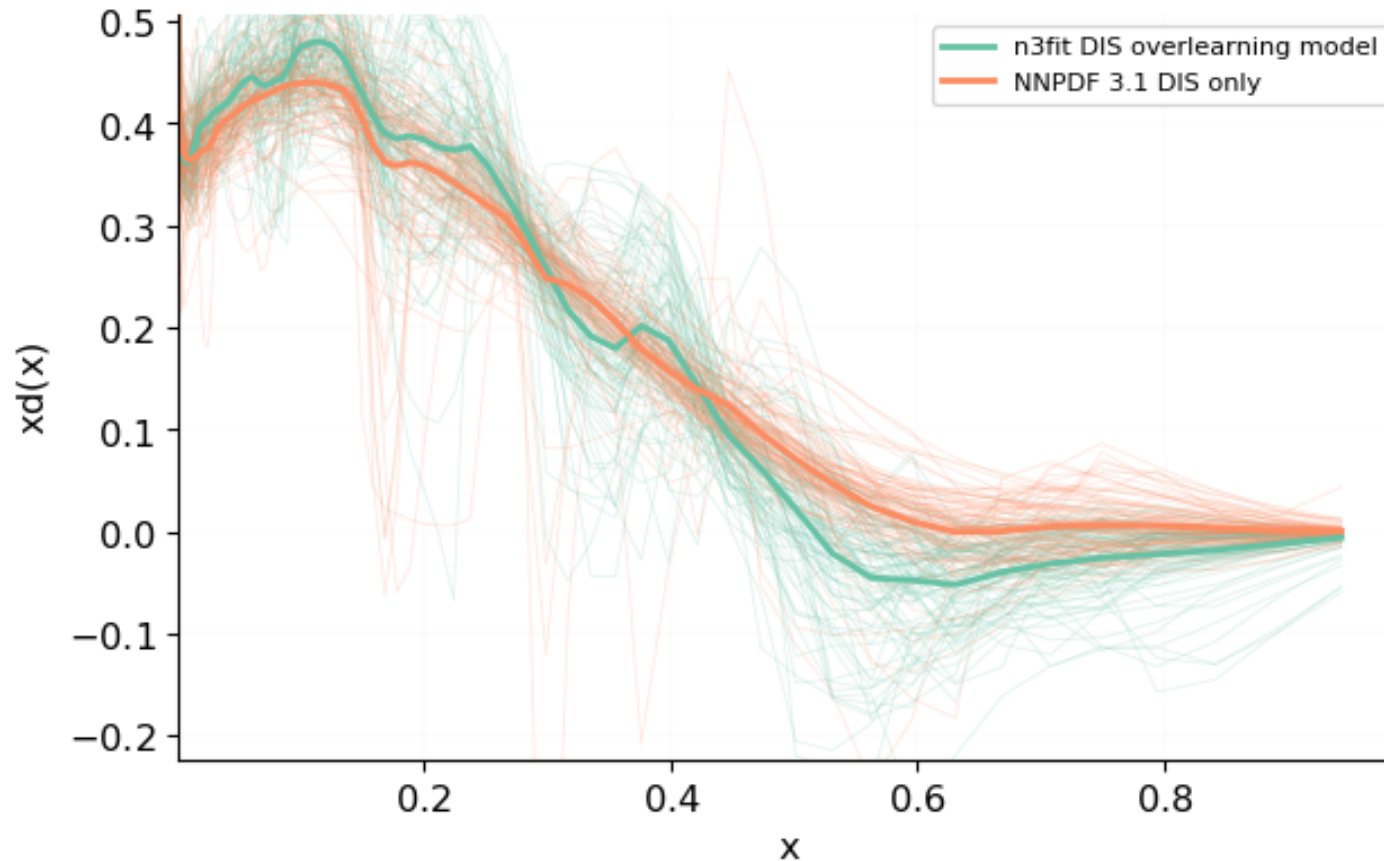


- **BAYESIAN SCAN** OF PARAMETER SPACE
- OPTIMIZE **LOSS: VALIDATION** χ^2

RESULTS: OVERFITTING!

DOWN QUARK: HYPEROPTIMIZED VS. HAND-PICKED

d at 1.7 GeV

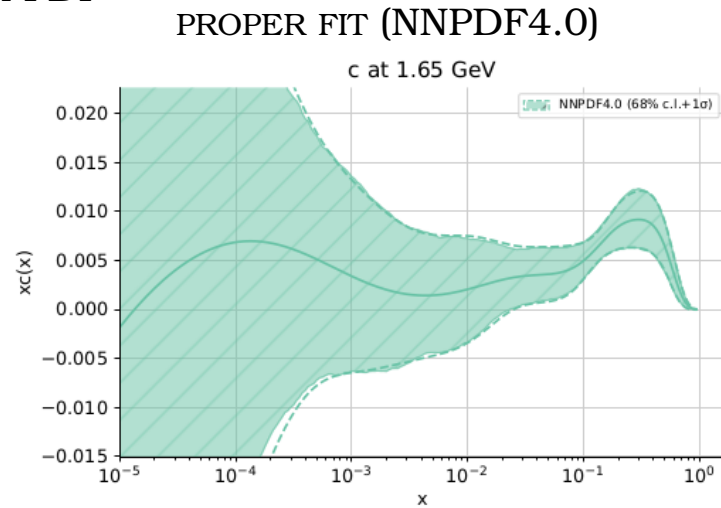
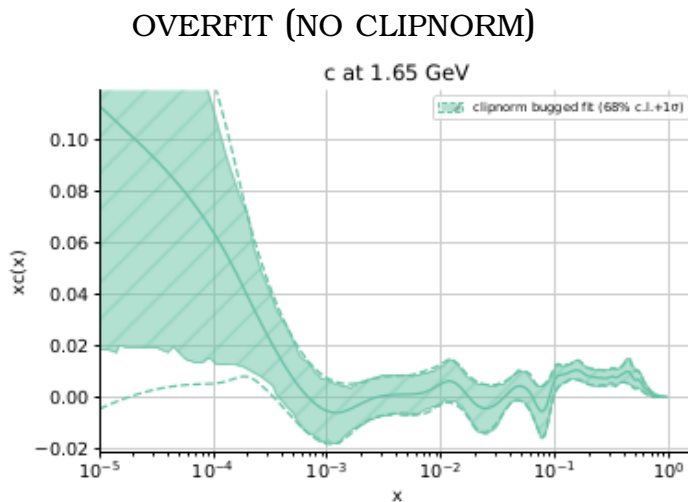


- **HAND-PICKED:** WIGGLES: FINITE SIZE \Rightarrow WILL GO AWAY AS N_{rep} GROWS
- **HYPEROPT:** WIGGLY PDFS \Leftrightarrow OVERFITTING \Rightarrow WILL **NOT** GO AWAY
($\chi_{\text{train}}^2 \ll \chi_{\text{valid}}^2$ EVEN THOUGH VALIDATION LOSS MINIMIZED)

OBJECTIVE? VALIDATION: OVERFITTING METRIC

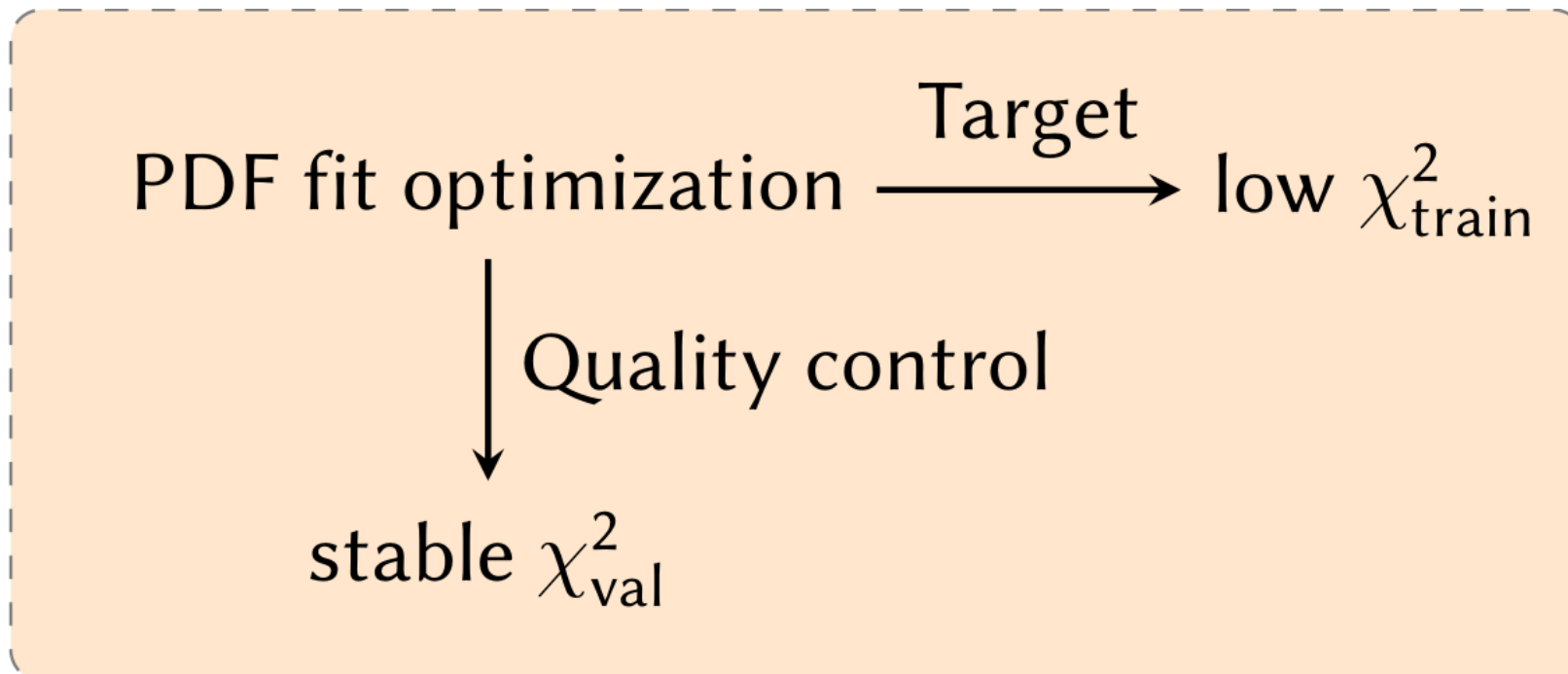
- TEST VALIDATION $\chi_{\text{val}'}^2$
 - DIFFERENT FLUCTUATED VALIDATION DATA
 - BUT **KEEP SAME** TRAINING-VALIDATION SPLIT
- COMPUTE AVERAGE OVER REPLICAS $\langle \chi_{\text{val}'}^2 \rangle$ & DETERMINE DIFFERENCE TO STANDARD VALIDATION χ_{val}^2
OVERFITNESS: $\mathcal{R}_O = \chi_{\text{val}}^2 - \langle \chi_{\text{val}'}^2 \rangle$
- **NEGATIVE** OVERFITNESS $\mathcal{R}_O \Rightarrow$ OVERFIT

CHARM PDF



WHAT HAPPENED?

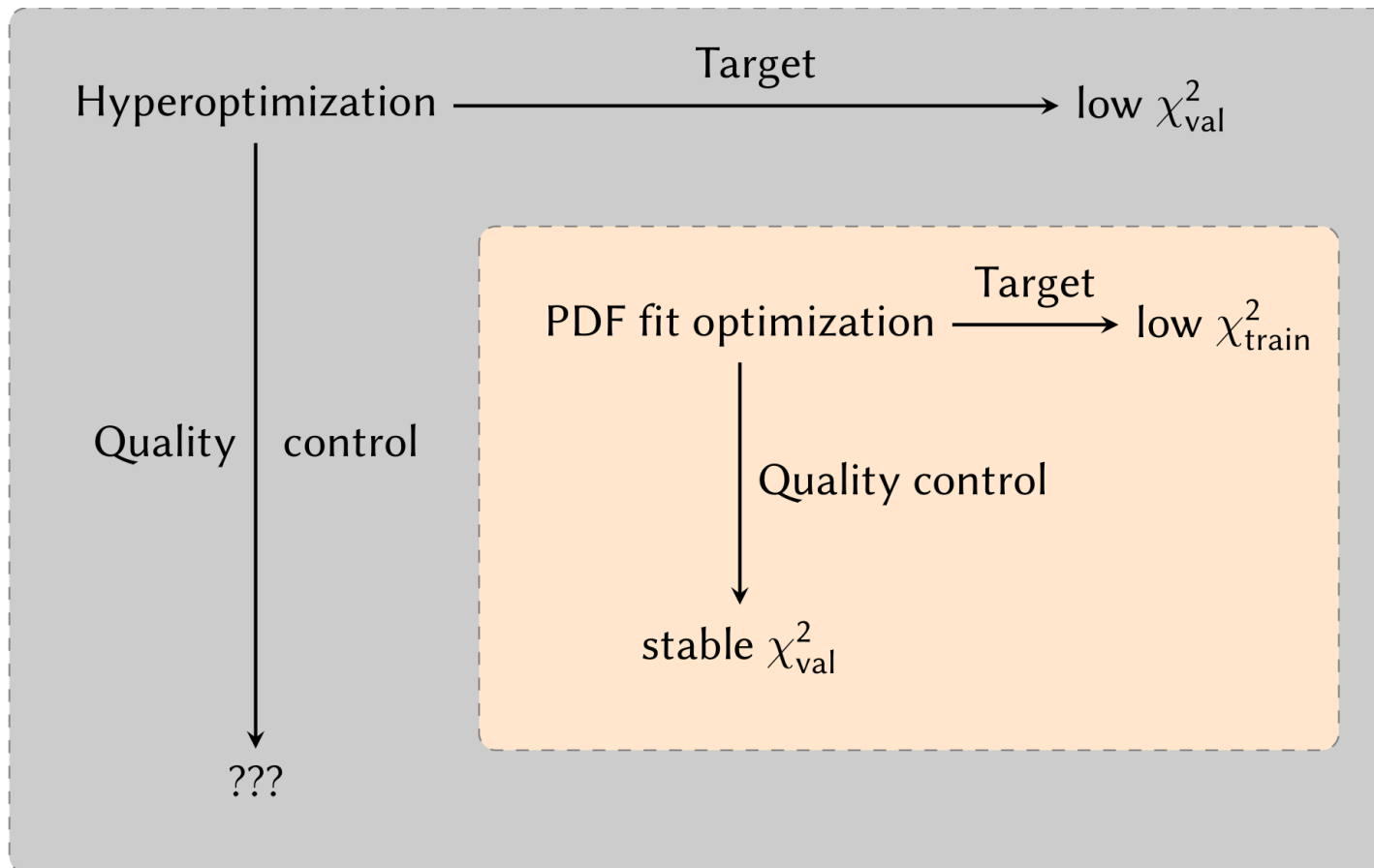
OPTIMIZATION



CROSS-VALIDATION SELECTS THE OPTIMAL MINIMUM

WHAT HAPPENED?

HYPEROPTIMIZATION

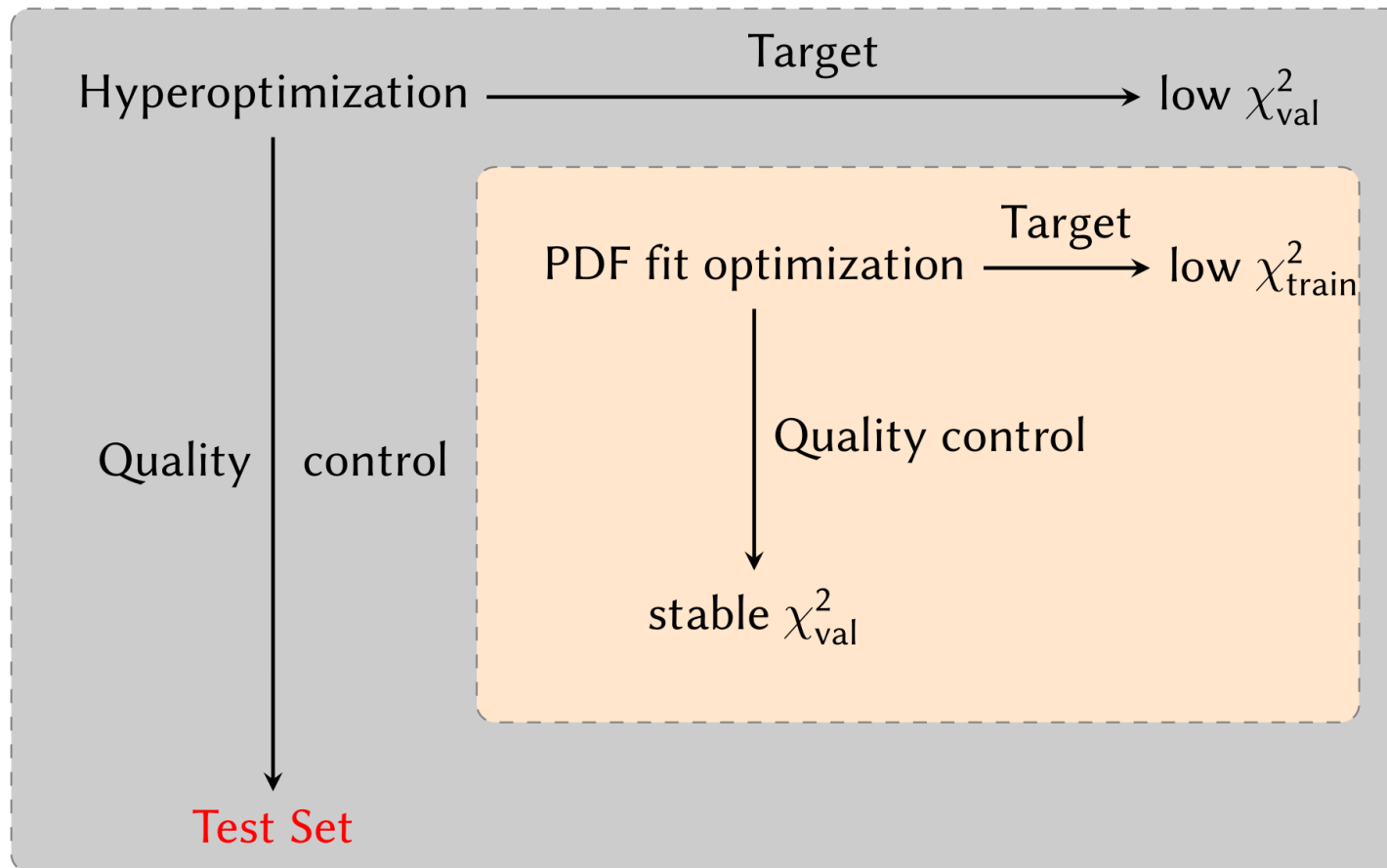


WE ARE MISSING A SELECTION CRITERION

GENERALIZATION

THE SOLUTION

THE TEST SET



COMPARE TO A **A TEST SET** \Rightarrow NEW DATA PREVIOUSLY NOT USED AT ALL
TESTS **GENERALIZATION POWER**

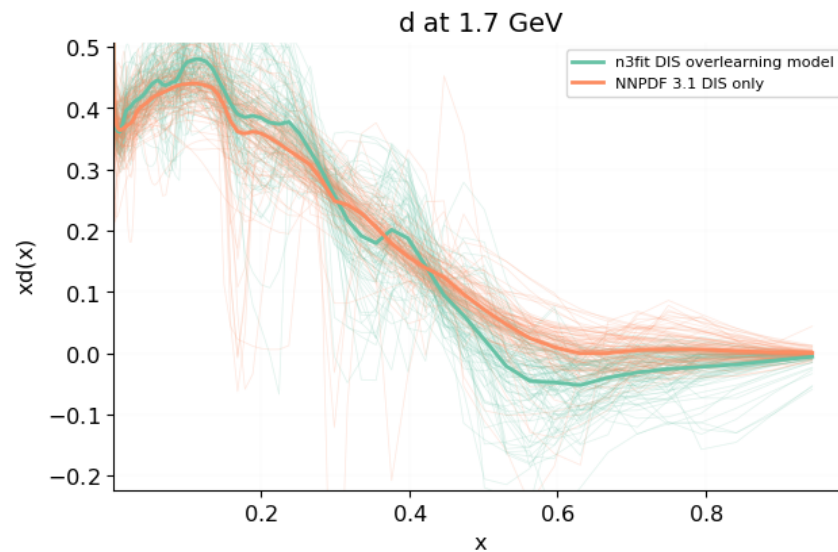
TEST SET RESULTS

- **COMPLETELY UNCORRELATED** TEST SET (JETS, FOR DIS-ONLY DATASET)
- OPTIMIZE ON WEIGHTED **AVERAGE** OF **VALIDATION AND TEST**
⇒ **NO OVERLEARNING**

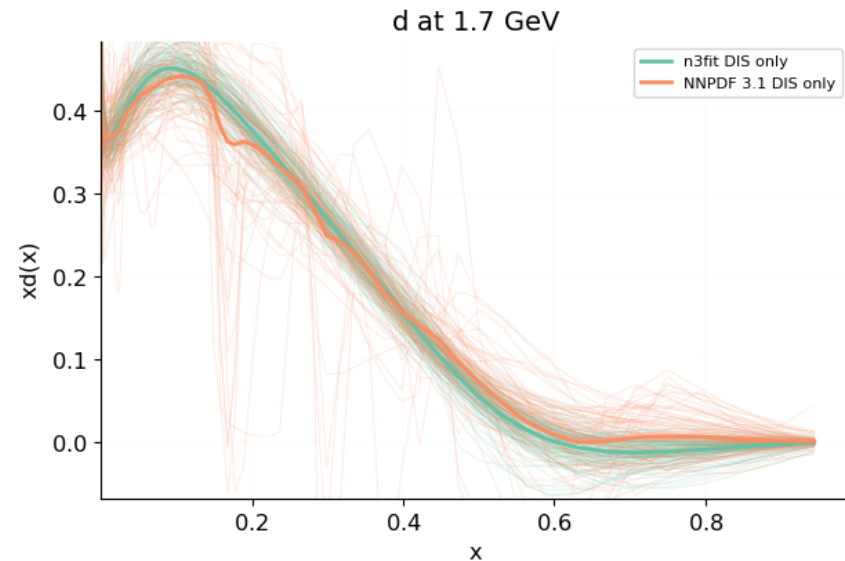
HYPEROPTIMIZED PDFs

DOWN QUARK

OVERFIT vs **HAND-PICKED**



TEST-SET vs **HAND-PICKED**



- IS THE TEST SET **REALLY INDEPENDENT**?
- IS IT **GENERAL ENOUGH**?

K-FOLDS

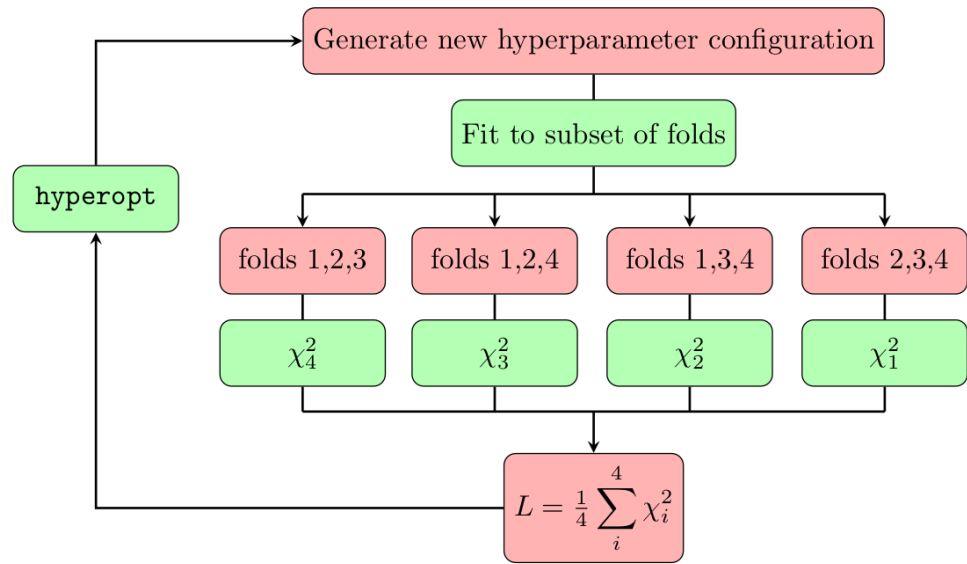
THE BASIC IDEA:

- DIVIDE THE DATA INTO n REPRESENTATIVE SUBSETS EACH CONTAINING PROCESS TYPES, KINEMATIC RANGE OF FULL SET
- TRAIN $n - 1$ SETS AND USE n -TH SET AS TEST
 $\Rightarrow n$ VALUES OF $\chi^2_{\text{test}, i}$

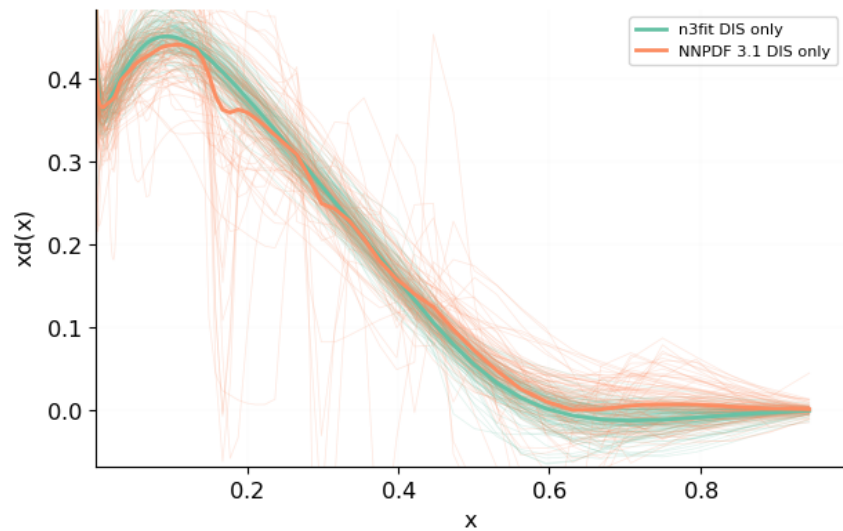
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CHORUS σ_{CC}^{ν}	HERA I+II inc NC e^+p 920 GeV	BCDMS p
LHCb Z 940 pb	ATLAS W, Z 7 TeV 2010	CMS Z p_T 8 TeV (p_T^l, y_l)
DY E605 σ_{DY}^p	CMS Drell-Yan 2D 7 TeV 2011	CMS 3D dijets 8 TeV
ATLAS single- \bar{l} y (normalised)	ATLAS single top R_t 7 TeV	CMS $t\bar{t}$ rapidity $y_{t\bar{t}}$
CMS single top R_t 8 TeV		
Fold 2		
HERA I+II inc CC e^-p	HERA I+II inc NC e^+p 460 GeV	HERA comb. σ_{bb}^{red}
NMC p	NuTeV $\sigma_e^{\bar{\nu}}$	LHCb $Z \rightarrow ee$ 2 fb
CMS W asymmetry 840 pb	ATLAS Z p_T 8 TeV (p_T^l, M_{ll})	D0 $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$ asymmetry
DY E886 σ_{DY}^p	ATLAS direct photon 13 TeV	ATLAS dijets 7 TeV, R=0.6
ATLAS single antitop y (normalised)	CMS σ_{tt}^{tot}	CMS single top $\sigma_t + \sigma_{\bar{t}}$ 7 TeV
Fold 3		
HERA I+II inc CC e^+p	HERA I+II inc NC e^+p 575 GeV	NMC d/p
NuTeV σ_c^{ν}	LHCb $W, Z \rightarrow \mu$ 7 TeV	LHCb $Z \rightarrow ee$
ATLAS W, Z 7 TeV 2011 Central selection	ATLAS $W^+ + \text{jet}$ 8 TeV	ATLAS HM DY 7 TeV
CMS W asymmetry 4.7 fb	DYE 866 $\sigma_{DY}^d / \sigma_{DY}^p$	CDF Z rapidity (new)
ATLAS σ_{tt}^{tot}	ATLAS single top y_t (normalised)	CMS σ_{tt}^{tot} 5 TeV
CMS $t\bar{t}$ double diff. ($m_{t\bar{t}}, y_t$)		
Fold 4		
CHORUS $\sigma_{CC}^{\bar{\nu}}$	HERA I+II inc NC e^+p 820 GeV	LHCb $W, Z \rightarrow \mu$ 8 TeV
LHCb $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$	ATLAS W, Z 7 TeV 2011 Fwd	ATLAS $W^- + \text{jet}$ 8 TeV
ATLAS low-mass DY 2011	ATLAS Z p_T 8 TeV (p_T^l, y_l)	CMS W rapidity 8 TeV
D0 Z rapidity	CMS dijets 7 TeV	ATLAS single top y_t (normalised)
ATLAS single top R_t 13 TeV	CMS single top R_t 13 TeV	

K-FOLD VALIDATION

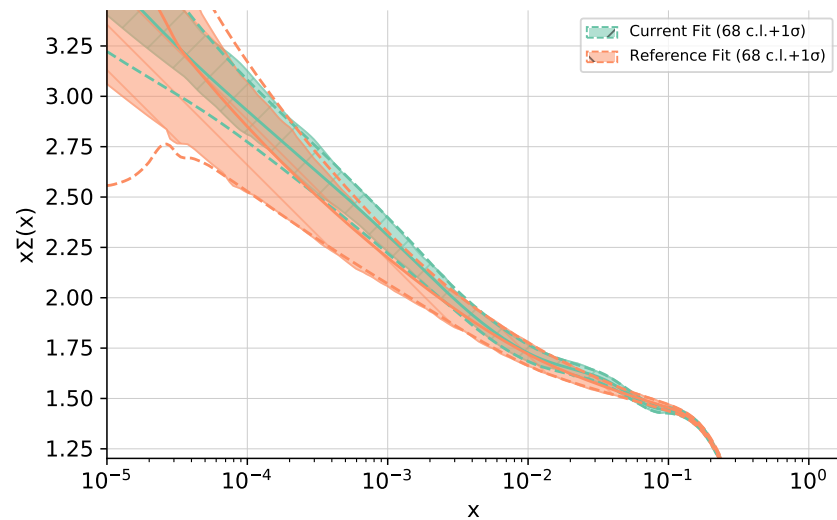
LOSS: AVERAGE χ^2 OF NON-FITTED FOLDS



TEST-SET VS HAND-PICKED
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K-FOLD VS. TEST-SET
 Σ at 1.7 GeV

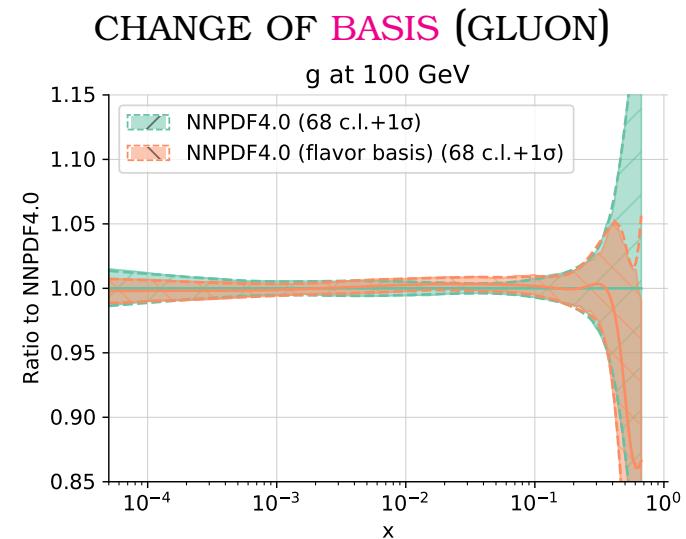
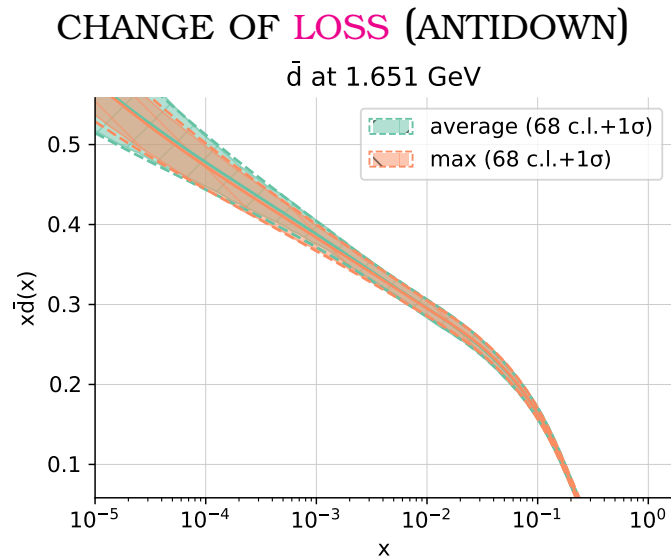


K-FOLD VALIDATION: RESULTS AND STABILITY

HYPEROPTIMIZED PARAMETERS

Parameter	NNPDF4.0	L as in Eq. (3.21)	Flavour basis Eq. (3.2)
Architecture	25-20-8	70-50-8	7-26-27-8
Activation function	hyperbolic tangent	hyperbolic tangent	sigmoid
Initializer	glorot_normal	glorot_uniform	glorot_normal
Optimizer	Nadam	Adadelat	Nadam
Clipnorm	6.0×10^{-6}	5.2×10^{-2}	2.3×10^{-5}
Learning rate	2.6×10^{-3}	2.5×10^{-1}	2.6×10^{-3}
Maximum # epochs	17×10^3	45×10^3	45×10^3
Stopping patience	10% of max epochs	12% of max epochs	16% of max epochs
Initial positivity $\Lambda^{(\text{pos})}$	185	106	2
Initial integrability $\Lambda^{(\text{int})}$	10	10	10

- DIFFERENT CHOICES OF LOSS: $L = \frac{1}{n_{\text{fold}}} \sum_{k=1}^{n_{\text{fold}}} \chi_k^2$ vs. $L = \max(\chi_1^2, \chi_2^2, \chi_3^2, \dots, \chi_{n_{\text{fold}}}^2)$
- PDF FLAVOR VS. EVOLUTION BASIS





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