Inferring the Initial Condition for the Balitsky - Kovchegov Evolution Equation

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Deep Inelastic Scattering in the Dipole Picture



rcBK:
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Posterior Samples, Median and MAP curves

• $\sqrt{s} = 318 \text{ GeV}$



Fitting Values

5 - parameter	Q_{s0}^{2}	γ	ec	<i>C</i> ²	$\sigma_0/2$	χ^2/dof
MAP	0.073	1.010	16.356	4.234	14.395	1.024
median	0.067	1.006	21.347	4.325	14.456	1.041



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