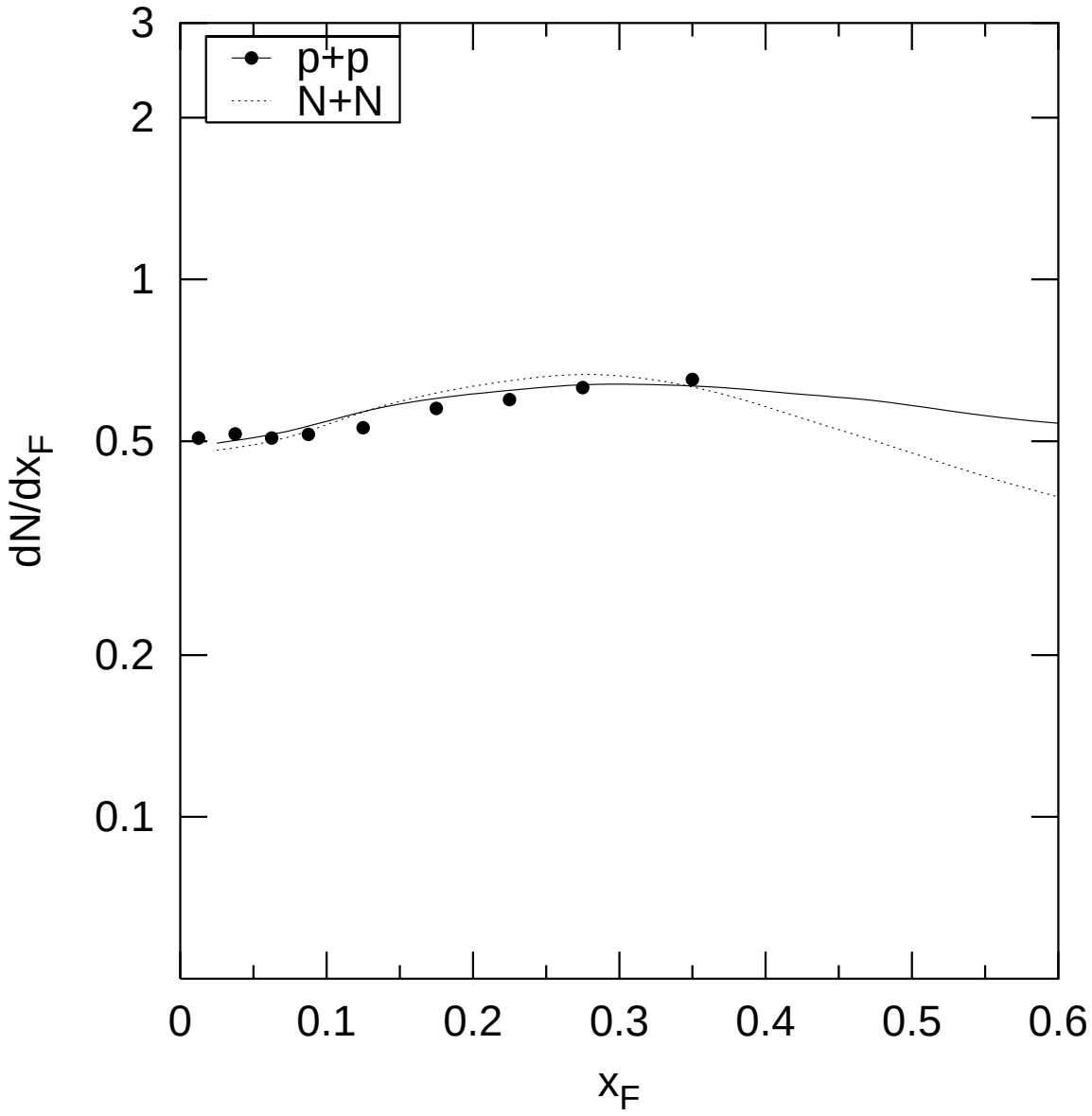Net protons