

Parton Distribution studies at AFTER

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Outline

- ☒ Neural Network Parton Distributions
- ☒ PDF studies at AFTER
- ☒ Parton Distributions with Intrinsic Charm

NEURAL NETWORK PARTON DISTRIBUTIONS

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow O + X) = \int dx_1 dx_2 \sum_{i,j} \boxed{f_i(x_1) f_j(x_2)} \boxed{\hat{\sigma}_{(ij \rightarrow O)}}(M_O, g_{ijO}, \dots)$$

cross section for the elementary process $ij \rightarrow O$, function of M_O, g_{ijO}
strength of the coupling between i, j and O
mass of O
 N of partons of type “ i ”, “ j ”, carrying a fraction $x_{i,j}$ of the proton momentum

- A theory of particle physics is defined by parameters like M_O, g_{ijO}
- Their extraction, by inverting the above relation, is the ultimate goal of the cross-section measurement (eg. M_Z and $\sin^2\theta_W$ at LEP, and $M_{\text{top,Higgs}}$ and y_t at LHC)
- The precision of this extraction is determined by:
 - The precision of the calculation of the elementary cross section in terms of M_O, g_{ijO} **↓ Theory**
 - The precision in the knowledge of the “parton densities” $f_i(x)$ (PDFs) **← Theory**
 - The precision of the cross section measurement, defined by: **+ exp**

MLM LumiDays11

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow O + X) = \frac{N_{\text{events}}(O)}{\text{Luminosity}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \text{exp} \\ \leftarrow \text{this meeting} \end{array}$$

PDF Uncertainties: The Hessian Method

- Determine best-fit PDF parameters by χ^2 minimization
- Expand quadratically around minimum and define 68% CL by a **suitable tolerance**

$$\Delta\chi_{\text{global}}^2 \equiv \chi_{\text{global}}^2 - \chi_{\text{min}}^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^n H_{ij}(a_i - a_i^0)(a_j - a_j^0)$$

$$H_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \chi_{\text{global}}^2}{\partial a_i \partial a_j} \Big|_{\text{min}}$$

- PDF errors on physical observables can be computed by **linear error propagation**

$$\Delta F = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^n [F(S_k^+) - F(S_k^-)]^2},$$

Eigenvectors from Hessian matrix diagonalization

- Used by CT, MSTW, HERAPDF, ABKM, JR (with different variants)
- Drawbacks of Hessian approach:
 - Relies on the **Gaussian approximation** and **linear error propagation**
 - The **determination of tolerance** non-trivial when combining many datasets

PDF Uncertainties: The Monte Carlo Method

- Generate a large number of Monte Carlo replicas of the experimental data with the same underlying probability distribution

$$F_{I,p}^{(\text{art})}(k) = \underset{\text{lumi error}}{S_{p,N}^{(k)}} \underset{\text{random numbers}}{\left(1 + \sum_{l=1}^{N_c} \underset{\text{sys errors}}{r_{p,l}^{(k)}} \underset{\text{stat error}}{\sigma_{p,l}} + r_p^{(k)} \sigma_{p,s} \right)}, \quad k = 1, \dots, N_{\text{rep}} \gg 1$$

- Perform a **PDF determination** on each of these MC replicas
- The set of PDF replicas form a **representation of the probability density in the space of parton distribution functions**
- PDF uncertainties can be propagated to physical cross sections using textbook statistics, no need of linear / gaussian assumptions

Central PDF prediction =
Expectation Value of MC sample

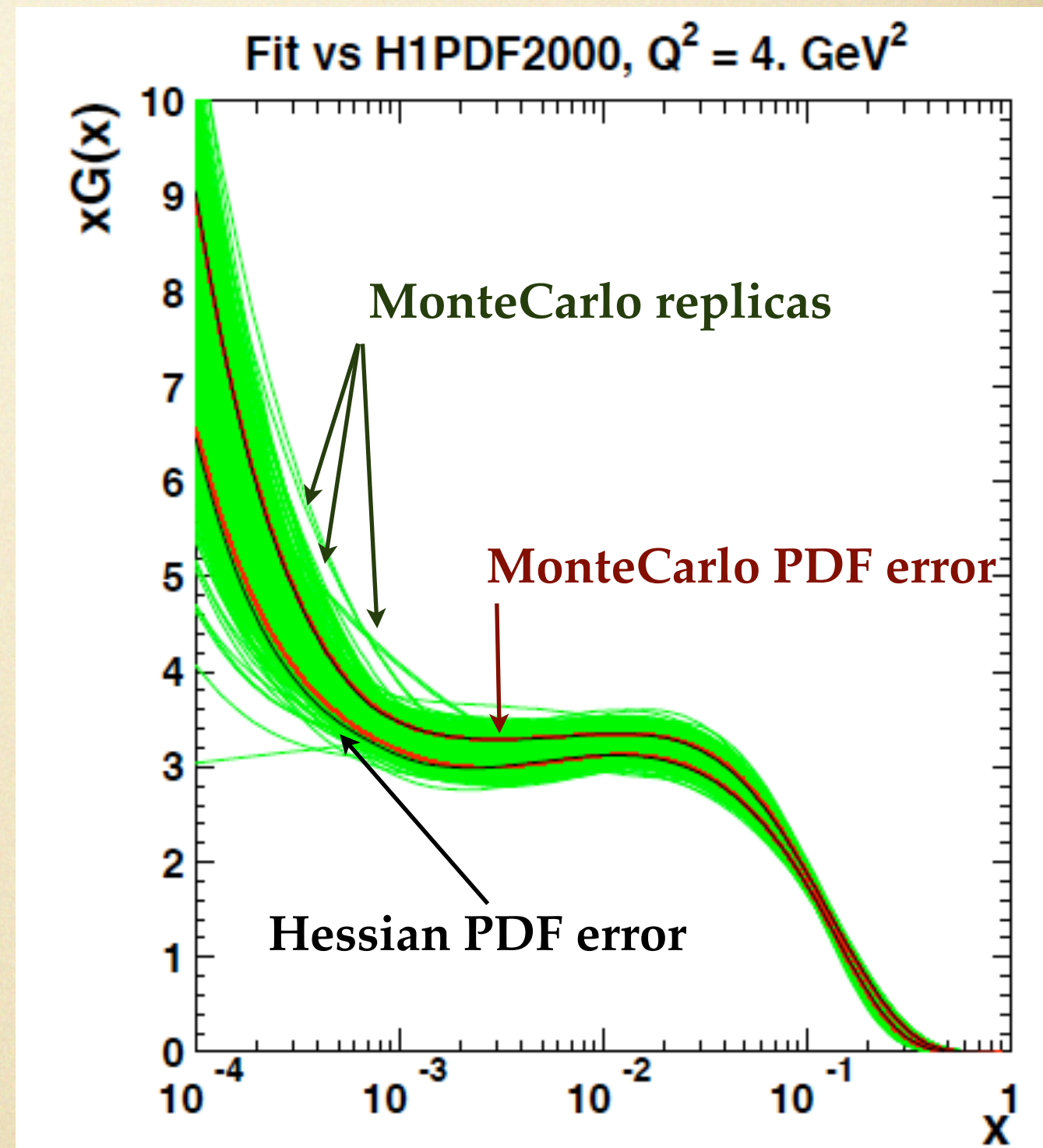
$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \int \mathcal{O}[f] \mathcal{P}(f) Df = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \mathcal{O}[f_k]$$

PDF Uncertainty = Standard
Deviation of MC sample

$$\Delta f = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N f_k^2 - \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N f_k \right)^2}$$

PDF Uncertainties: Hessian vs Monte Carlo

- Hessian and Monte Carlo methods **statistically equivalent** if gaussian quadratic approximation is realistic and no tolerances are introduced
- HERA-LHC workshop proceedings: with the **HERAPDF** framework, Hessian and Monte Carlo methods shown to be **numerically equivalent** in a QCD analysis of H1 data
- **Monte Carlo method more flexible** with deviations from the quadratic approximation and combinations of many experiments
- MC method used by the **NNPDF** analysis, but also studies by **MSTW** and **HERAPDF**



Artificial Neural Networks

- We use **Artificial Neural Networks** as **functions** to represent **PDFs at the starting scale**
- We employ **Multilayer Feed-Forward** Neural Networks trained using **Genetic Algorithms** with the **Cross-Validation Method** for dynamical stopping
- Activation determined by **weights** and **thresholds**

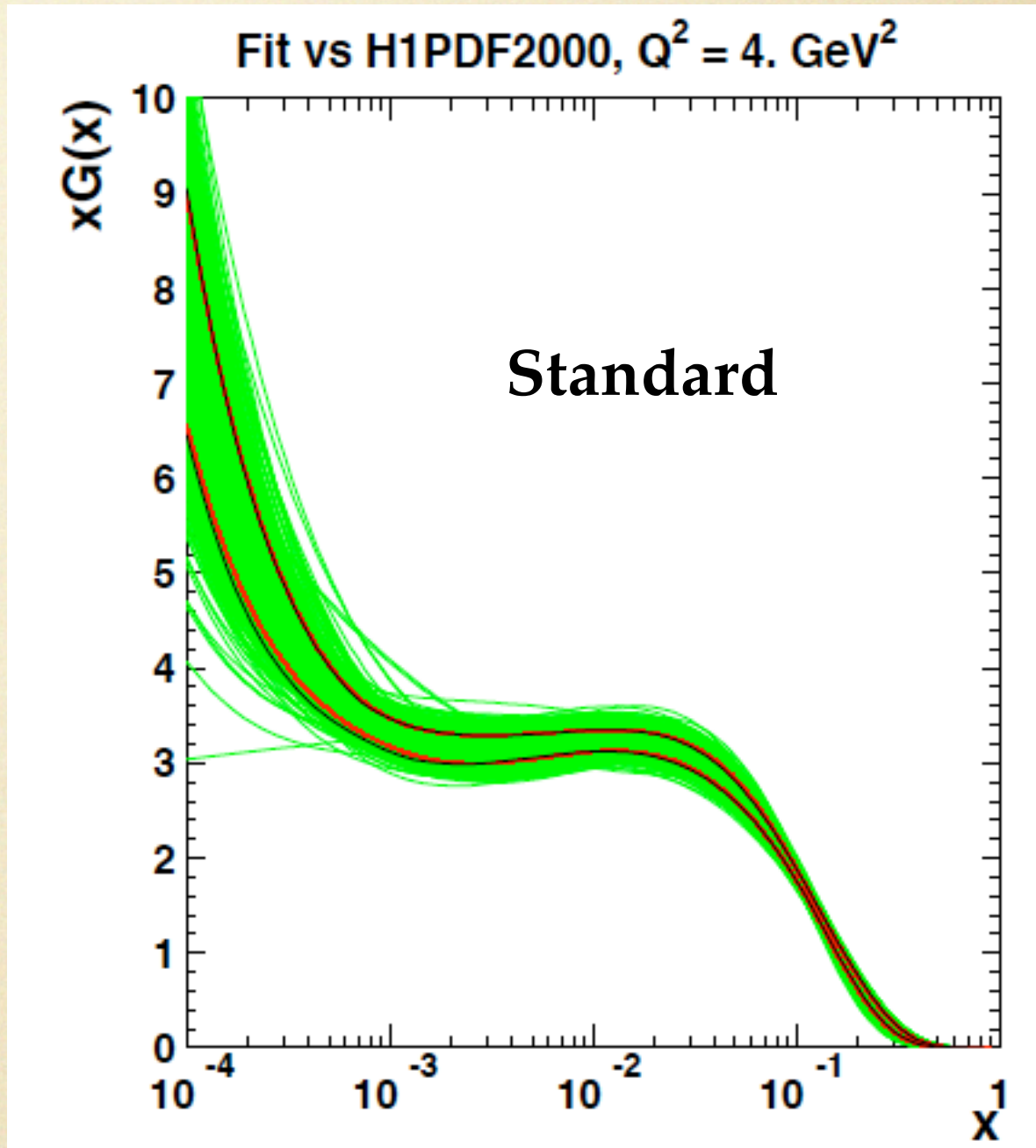
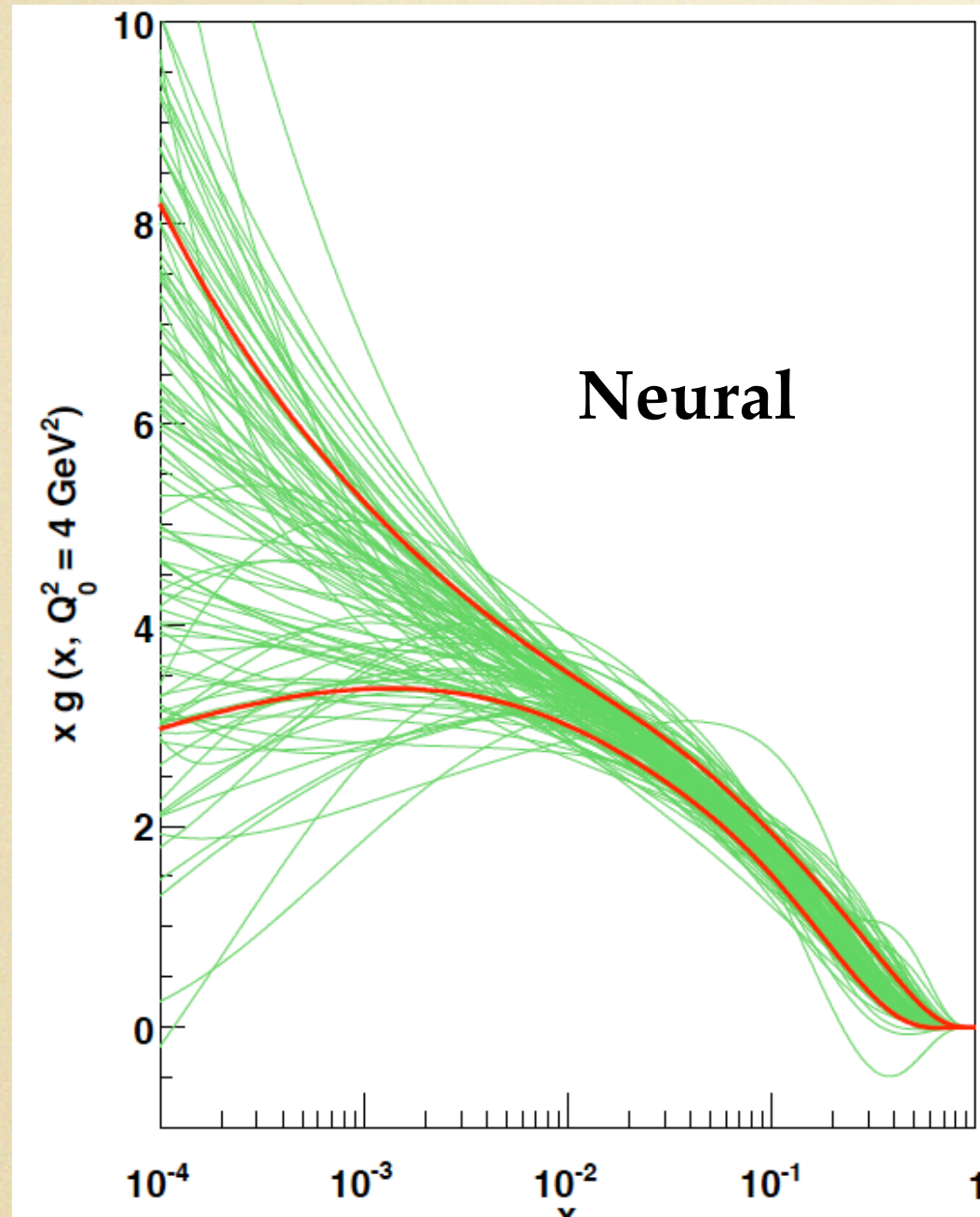
$$\xi_i = g \left(\sum_j \omega_{ij} \xi_j - \theta_i \right), \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\beta x}}$$

Ex.: 1-2-1 NN:

$$\xi_1^{(3)}(\xi_1^{(1)}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\theta_1^{(3)} - \frac{\omega_{11}^{(2)}}{1 + e^{\theta_1^{(2)} - \xi_1^{(1)} \omega_{11}^{(1)}}} - \frac{\omega_{12}^{(2)}}{1 + e^{\theta_2^{(2)} - \xi_1^{(1)} \omega_{21}^{(1)}}}}}$$

- They provide a parametrization which is **redundant** and **robust** against variations

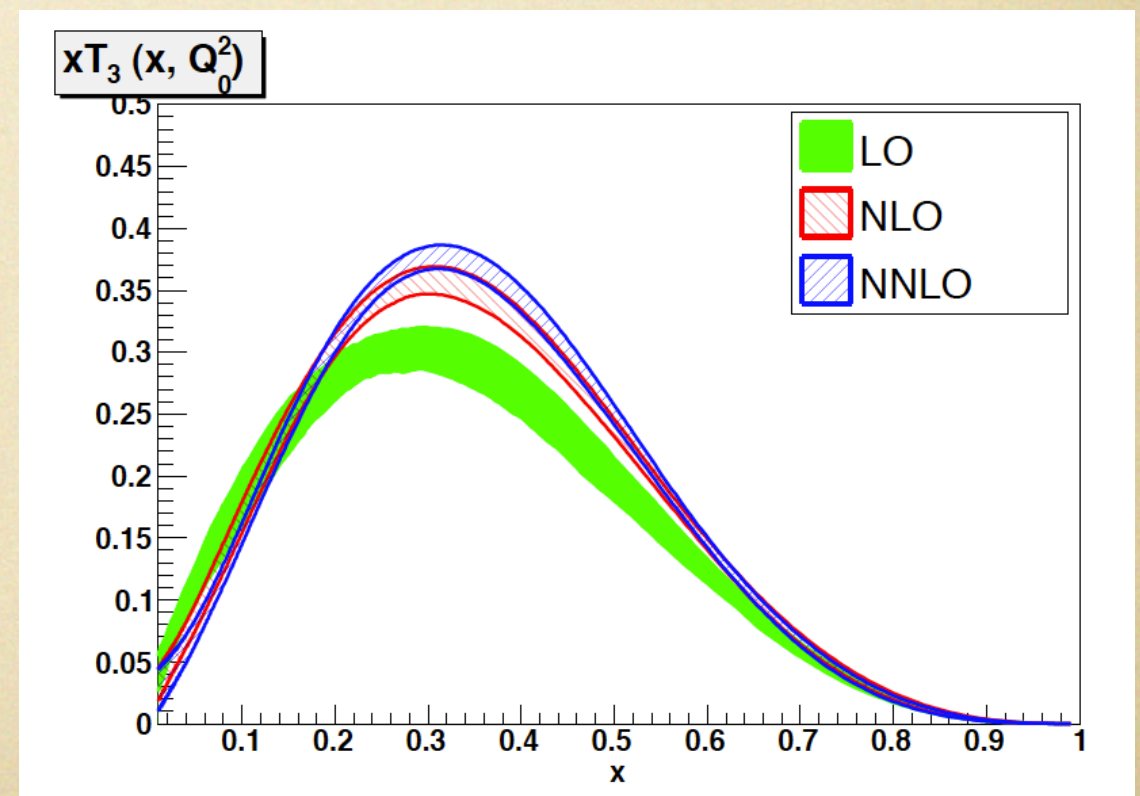
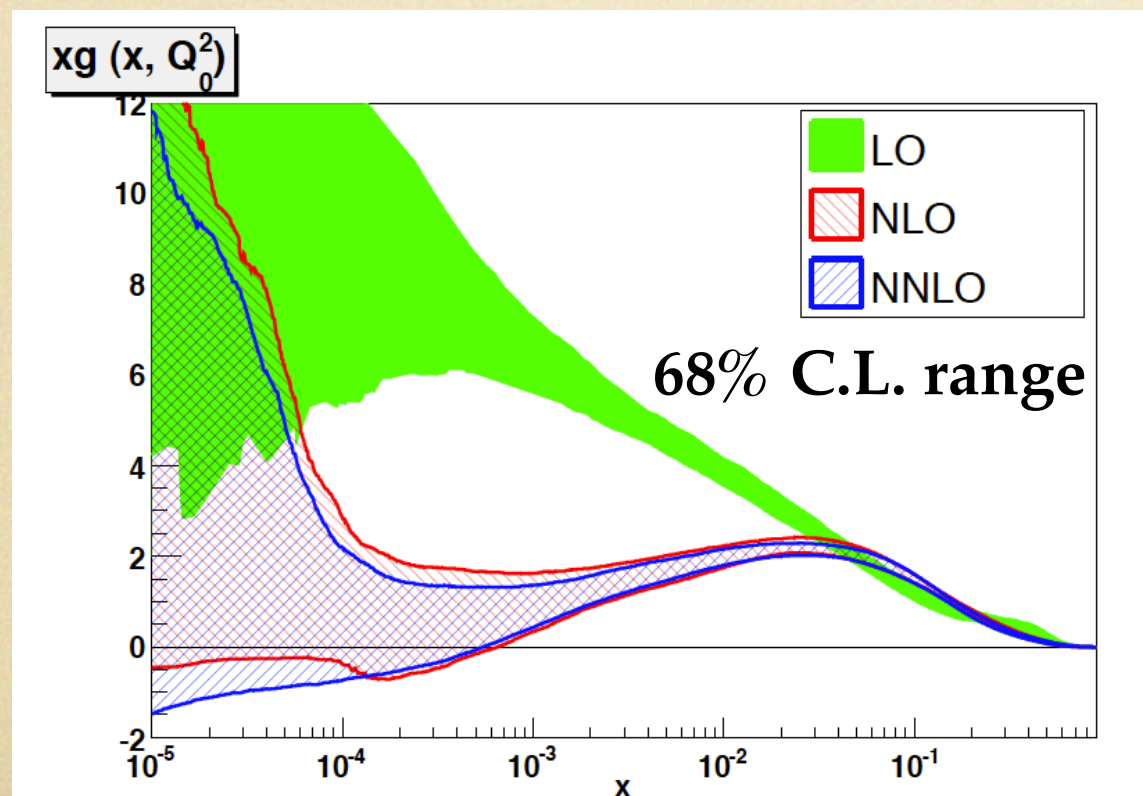
PDF Parametrization Uncertainties: simple polynomials vs Neural Networks



- Standard PDF parametrization with simple polynomials introduce **substantial bias in the PDF determinations**
- Artificial neural networks are a suitable **universal unbiased interpolants**: We want to extract **physical laws from the data**, not get back **the theory bias** we are putting in!

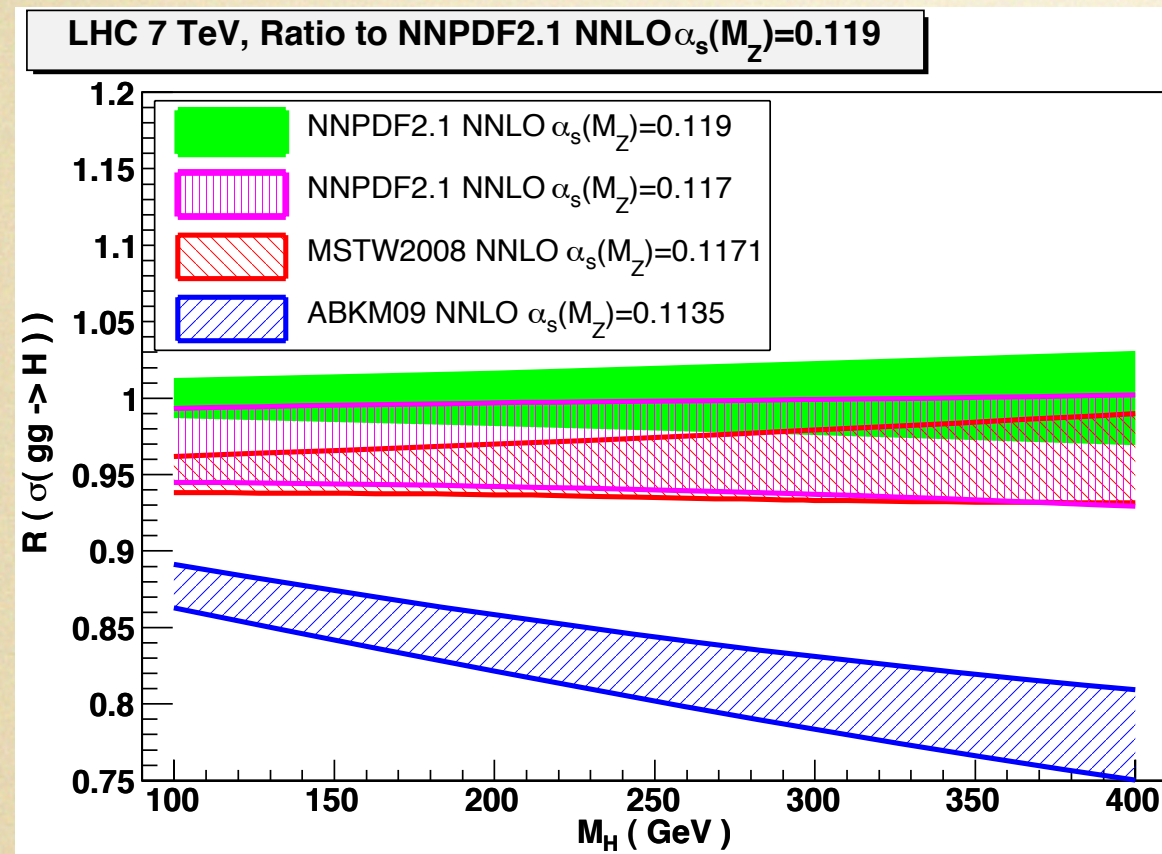
The NNPDF2.1 family

- The NNPDF2.1 family provides LO, NLO and NNLO sets ([arXiv:1101.1300,1107.2652](#))
- Sets with variations of $\alpha_s(M_Z)$, quark masses and dataset are also provided in LHAPDF, as well as FFN sets
- NNPDF2.1 is based on
 - The most updated pre-LHC **dataset**: HERA-I, TeV W/Z and jets, ...
 - The most advanced **methodology**: artificial neural networks, Monte Carlo techniques, Bayesian reweighting, ...
 - The most up-to-date **theory calculations**: exact NLO for all hadronic data, FONLL GM-VFN for heavy quarks in DIS, ...

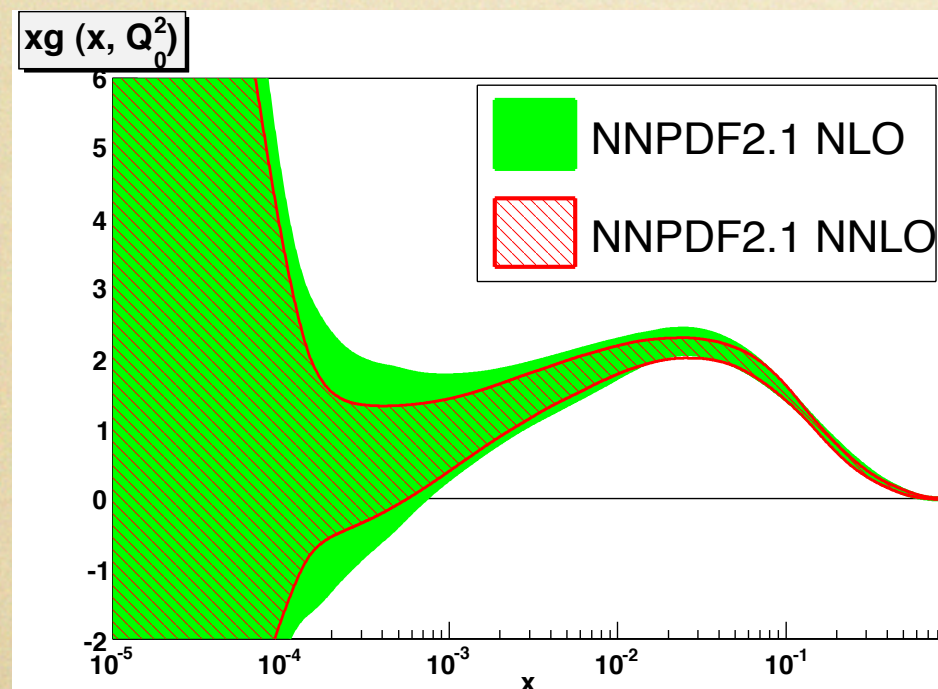
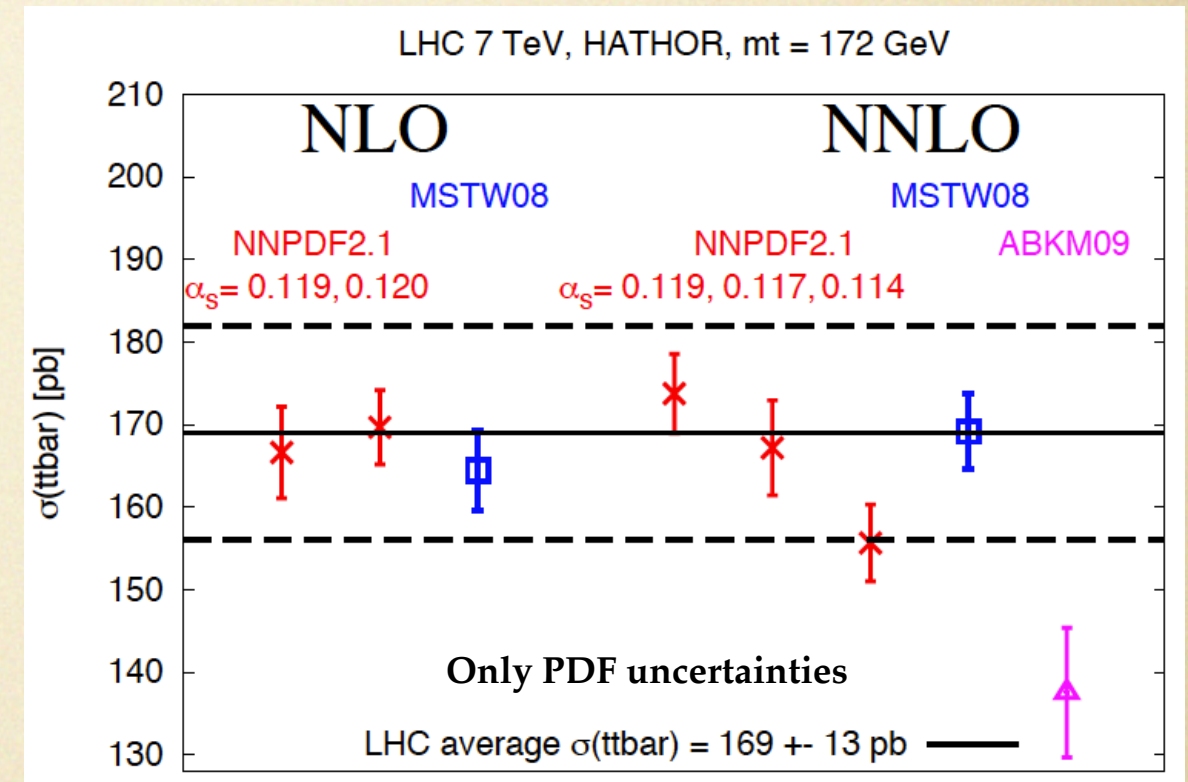


(selected) NNPDF2.1 Phenomenology

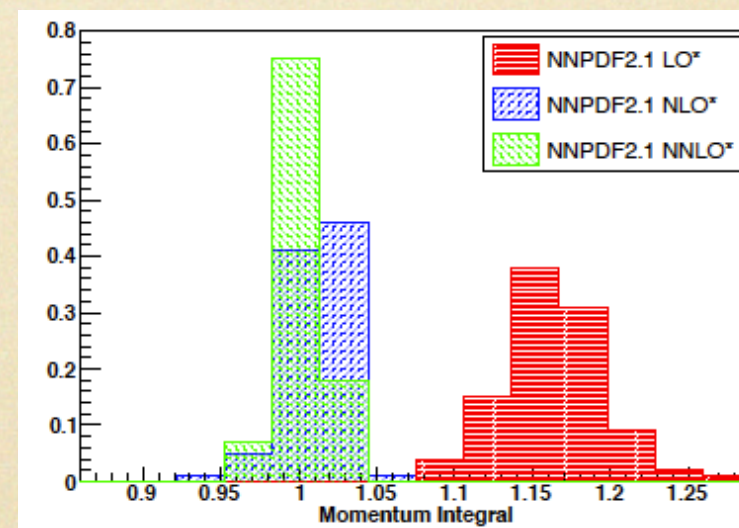
Higgs ggF xsec: Agreement of NNLO global sets



$t\bar{t}$ xsec: towards PDF discrimination with LHC data



PDFs stable from NLO to NNLO



Unbiased determination of the proton momentum at NNLO

Excellent agreement with QCD expectations

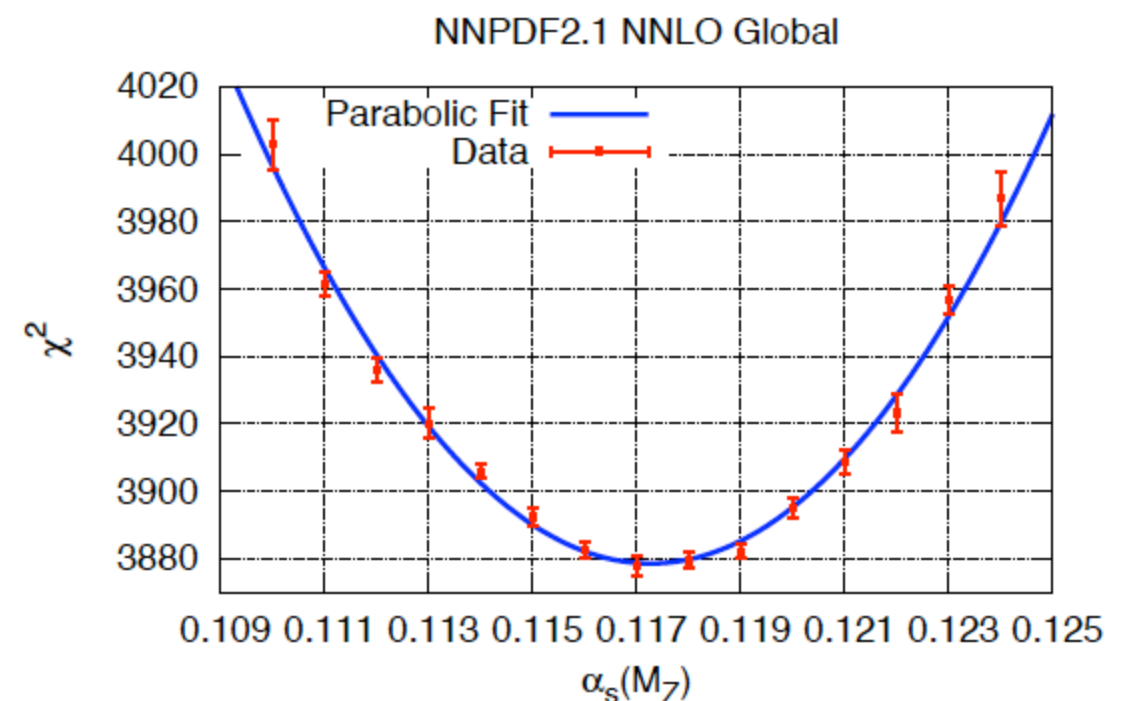
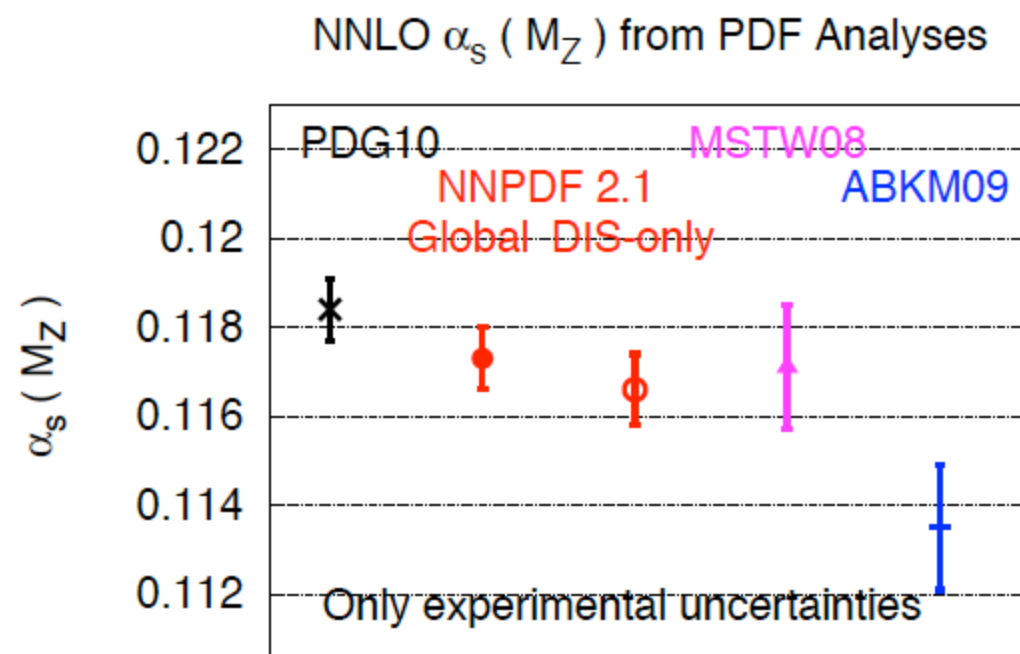
Non-trivial consistency check of global PDF analysis

$$[M](Q^2) \equiv \int_0^1 dx (xg(x, Q^2) + x\Sigma(x, Q^2))$$

$$[M]_{\text{LO}} = 1.161 \pm 0.032, [M]_{\text{NLO}} = 1.011 \pm 0.018, [M]_{\text{NNLO}} = 1.002 \pm 0.014$$

Determination of SM parameters

- The NNPDF methodology also very useful for precision determinations of SM parameters from data: **strong coupling**, **Vcs** (both part of PDG12 averages), **W mass**....
- Good: **Small statistical errors** from large dataset
- Bad: **Bias from PDF parametrization? Dependence on dataset?**
- NNLO: $\alpha_s^{\text{NNLO,global}}(M_Z) = 0.1173 \pm 0.0007$ reasonable agreement with MSTW08, NNPDF2.1 smallest statistical uncertainties without theoretical bias
- $\alpha_s(M_Z)$ from DIS-only? A bit smaller $\alpha_s^{\text{NLO,dis}}(M_Z) = 0.1166 \pm 0.0009$
- Compare with current PDG average $\alpha_s^{\text{PDG}}(M_Z) = 0.1184 \pm 0.0007$



NNPDF2.2

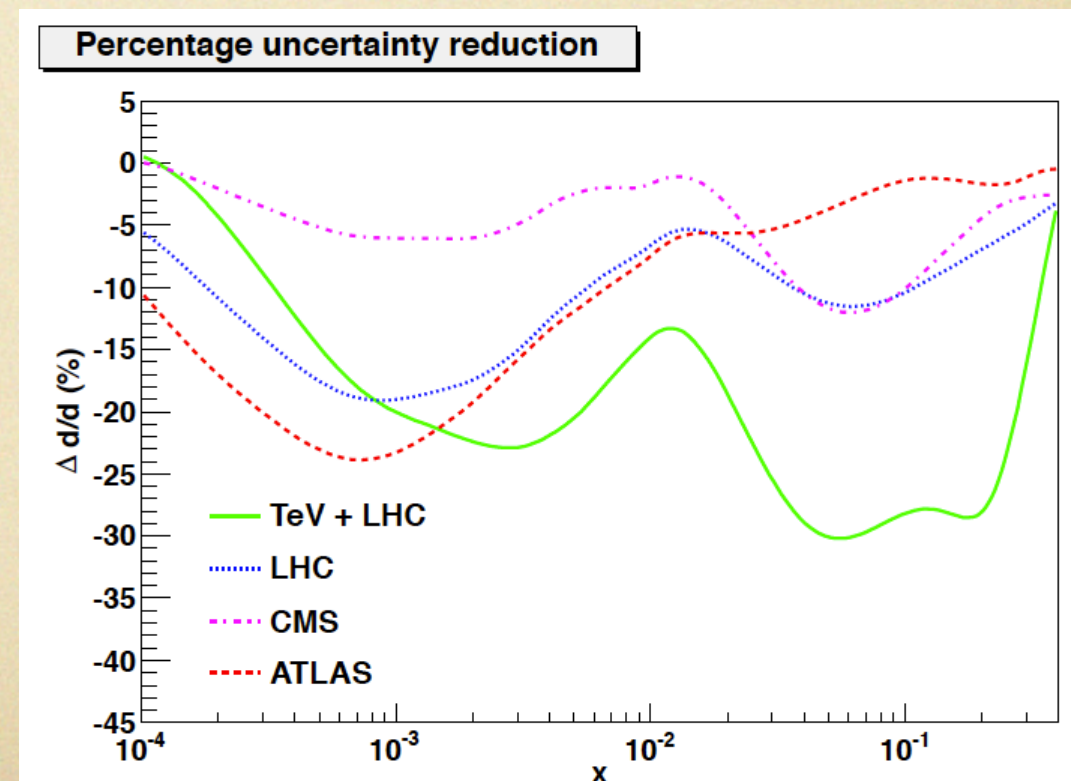
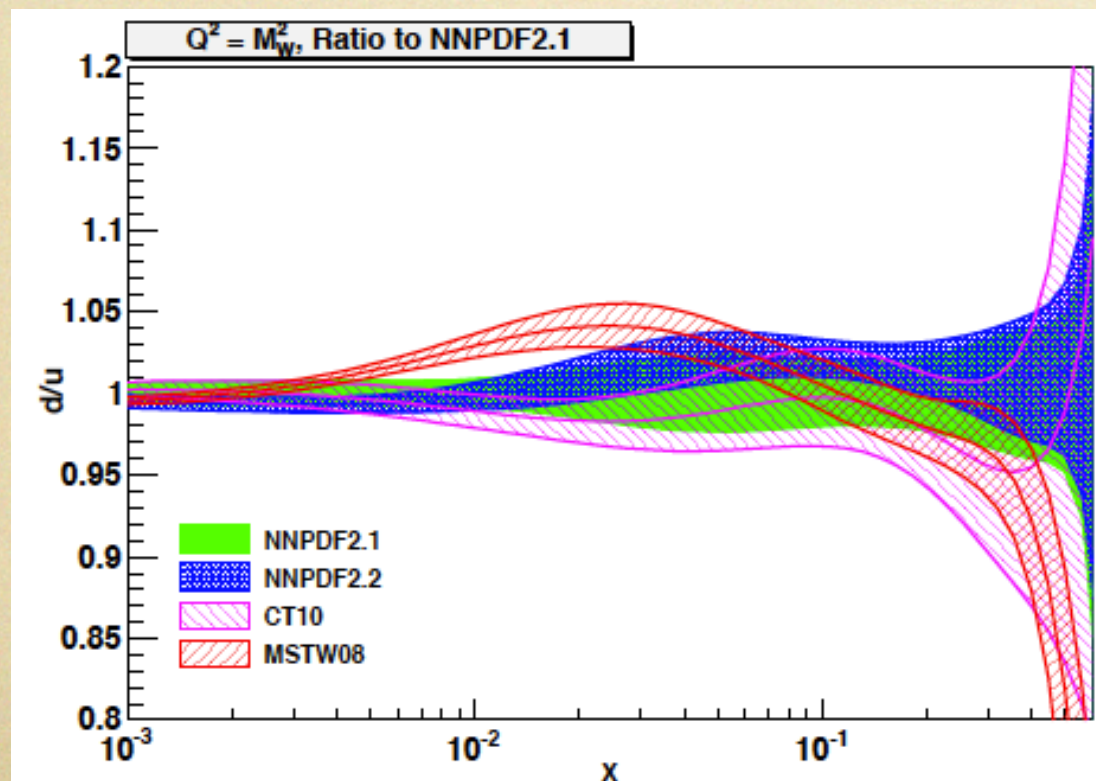
- NNPDF2.2 (arXiv:1108.1758) is the only public PDF set (available in LHAPDF) with LHC data included
- CMS (arXiv:1103.3470) and ATLAS (arXiv:1103.2929) 36 pb⁻¹ W lepton asymmetry data
- Excellent description of all datasets, reduced (anti)quarks PDF uncertainties

	N_{dat}	NNPDF2.1	CT10	MSTW08
ATLAS(31pb ⁻¹)	11	0.76	0.77	3.32
CMS(36pb ⁻¹) electron $p_T > 25$ GeV	6	1.83	1.19	1.70
CMS(36pb ⁻¹) muon $p_T > 25$ GeV	6	1.24	0.73	0.77

After the fit

Initial comparison

Experiment	N_{dat}	NNPDF2.1	NNPDF2.1 LHC	NNPDF2.2
ATLASmuASY	11	[0.77]	0.97	1.07
CMSseASY	6	[1.83]	1.23	1.08
CMSmuASY	6	[1.24]	0.63	0.56
D0eASY	12	[4.39]	[3.46]	1.38
D0muASY	10	[1.48]	[1.17]	0.35



PDF STUDIES AT AFTER

A Fixed Target Experiment using the LHC beams

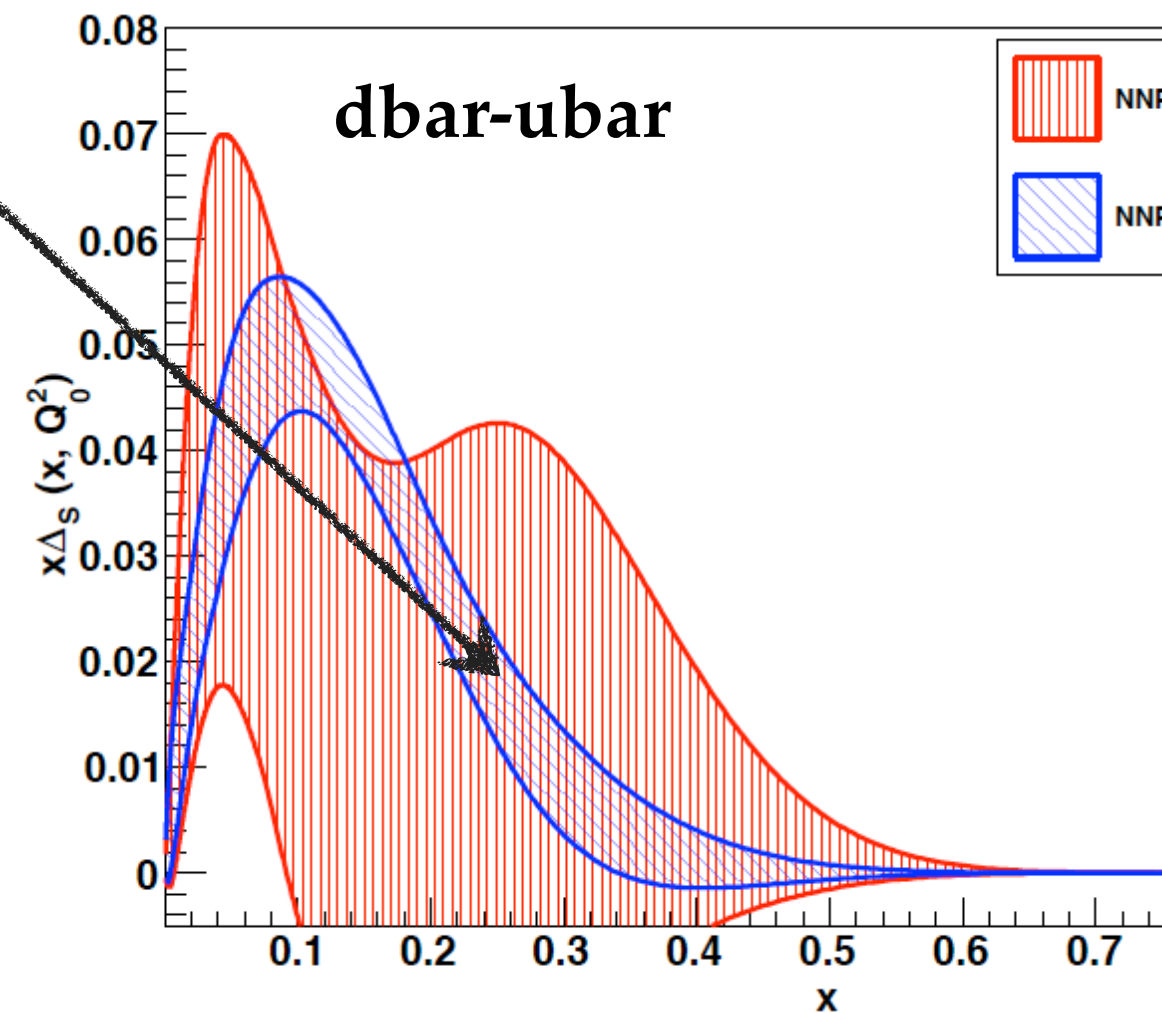
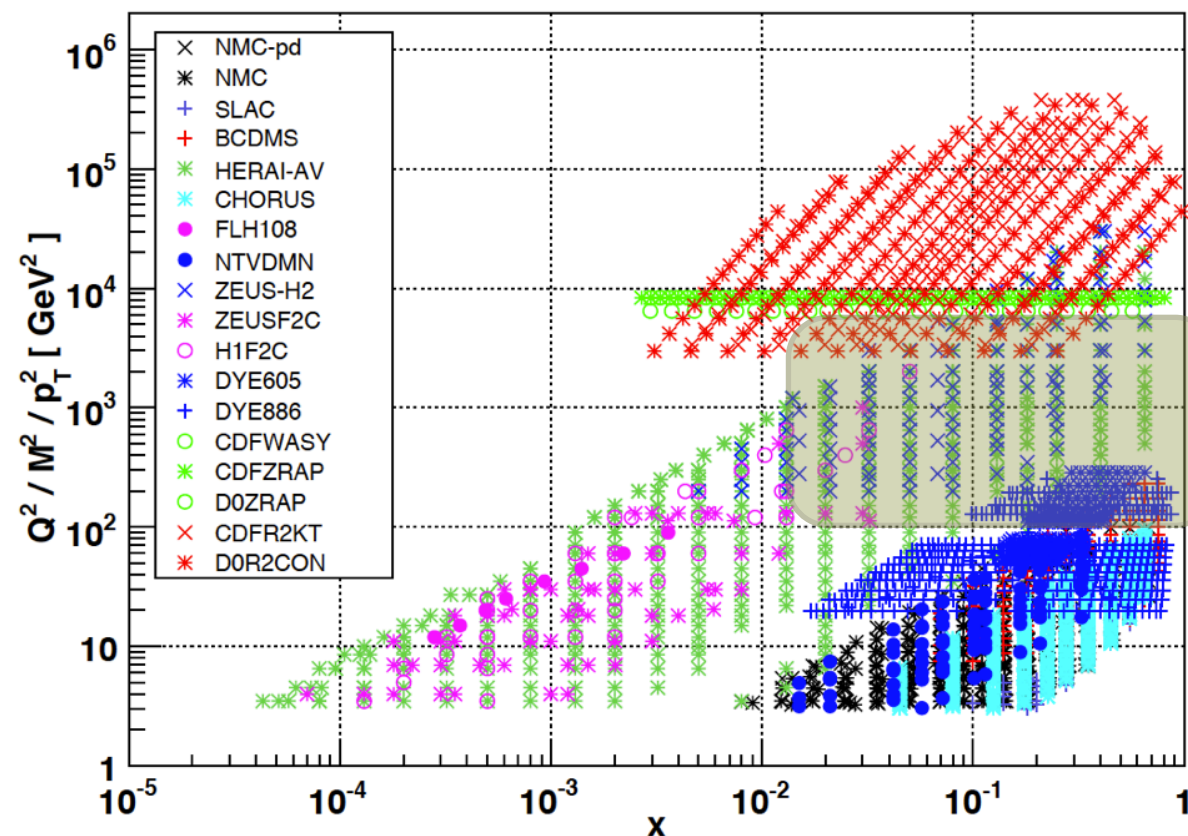
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- A Fixed Target Experiment at the LHC would collide the LHC beam on proton and nuclear fixed targets
- For 7 TeV the energy of the collision is $(115 \text{ GeV})^2$, for 13 TeV one has $(160 \text{ GeV})^2$
- Such fixed target programs offers several interesting physics studies related to perturbative QCD and Parton Distributions
- Relevant processes include Drell-Yan production, open heavy quark production, quarkonia, jets, prompt photons, and electroweak boson production
- Rich program in a clean environment, with modern experimental and statistical analysis techniques as compared to previous FT experiments
- Unique handle to non perturbative QCD dynamics like intrinsic heavy quark component of the proton

Drell-Yan data in PDF fits

- Fixed target DY data are a backbone of global PDF analysis
- They constrain the **quark flavor decomposition** for $x > 0.01$ (Fixed target kinematics)
- However old FT DY data have **large uncertainties, no covariance matrix available, nuclear targets,...**
- DY FT data taken at a **modern experiment, with robust experimental and statistical analysis techniques**, could complement LHC measurements for quark PDF constraints
- Impact of DY data in NNPDF2.0 set

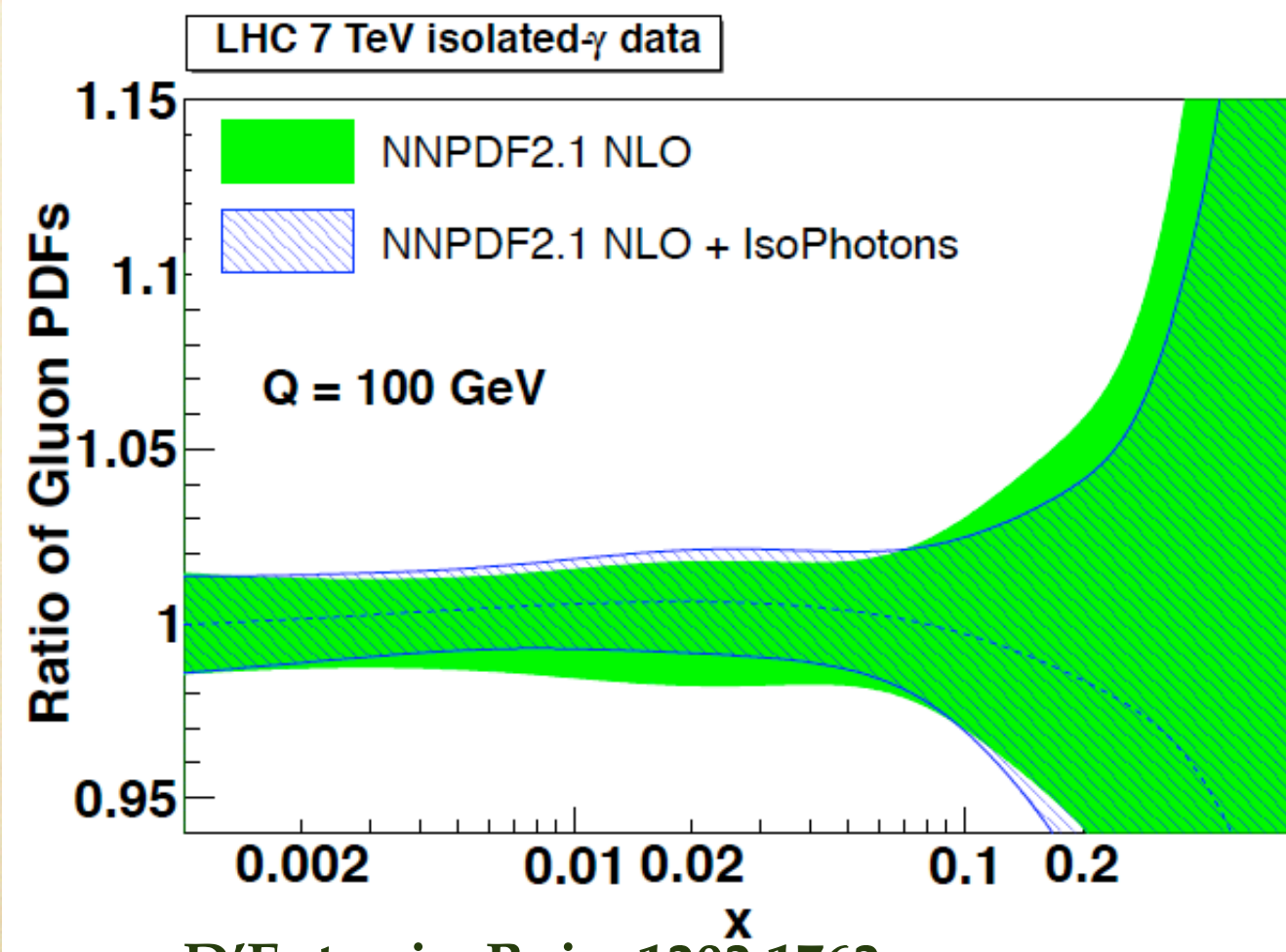
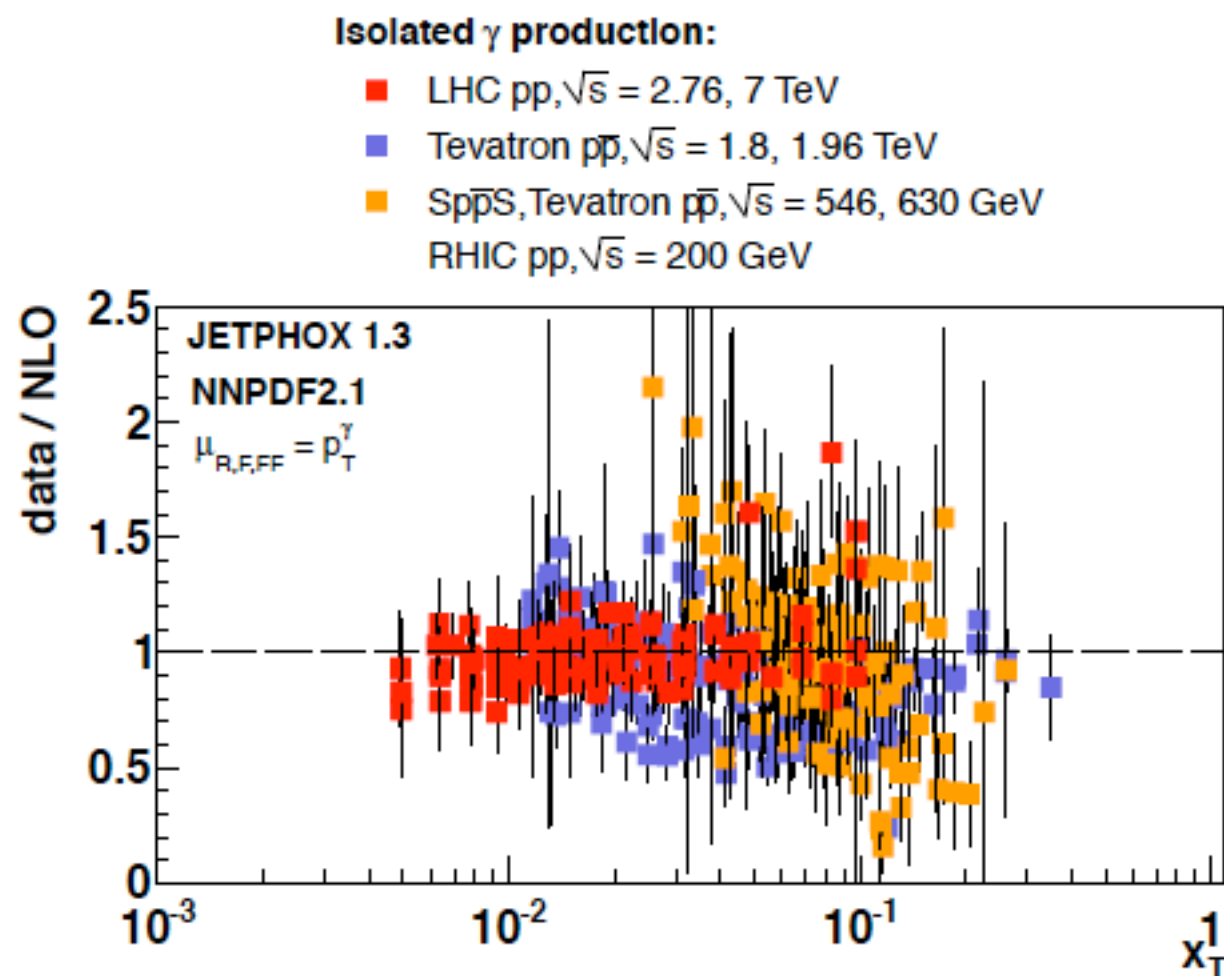
NNPDF2.1 NNLO dataset



NNPDF, 1002.4407

Prompt Photons

- Prompt photon production provides a clean handle on the gluon PDF
- LHC data on direct photons constrains the gluon PDF at medium x
- Crucial to reduce the fragmentation background with **isolation criteria**
- Also allows studies of perturbative and NP QCD: **intrinsic k_T** , all order resummations



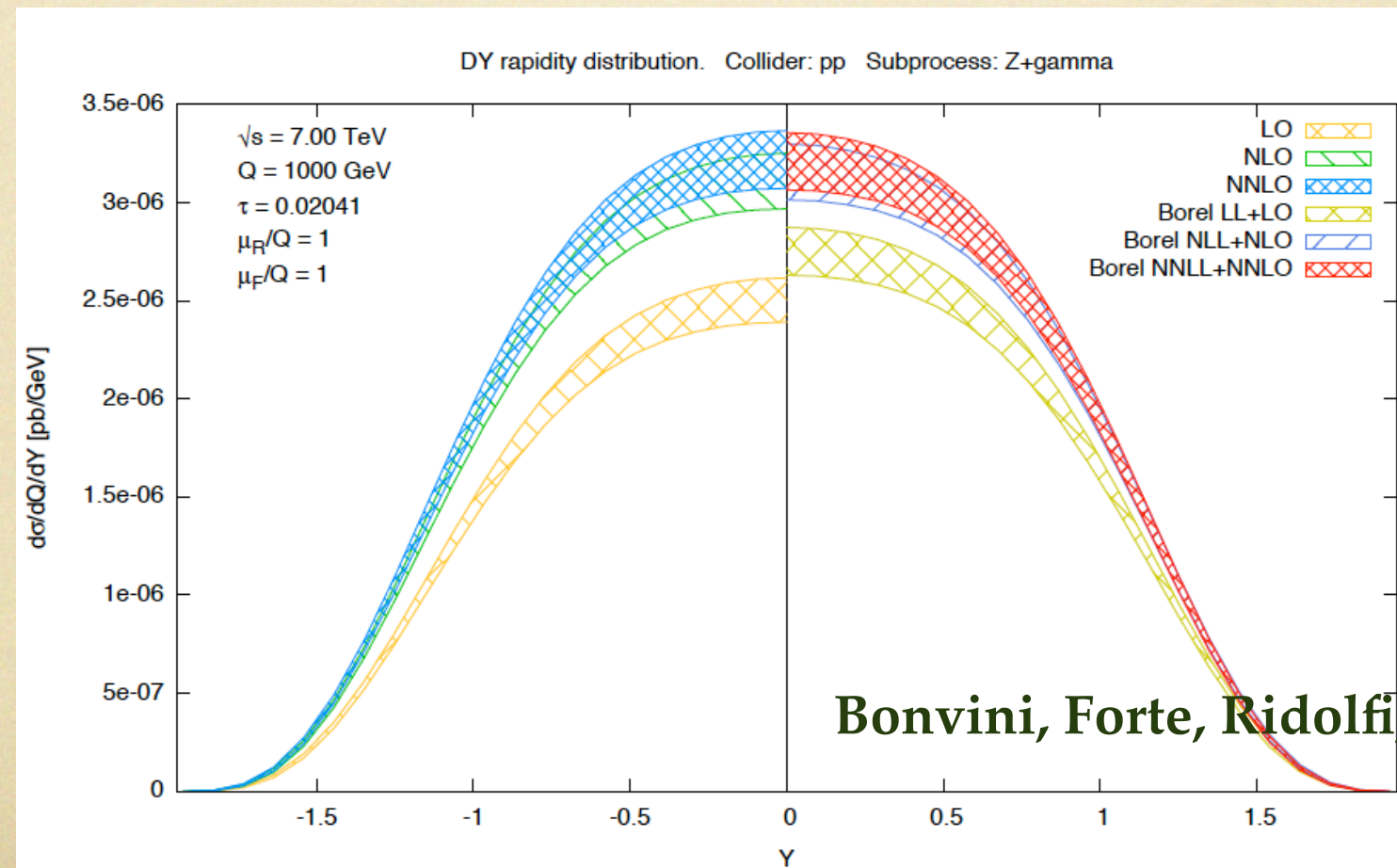
D'Enterria, Rojo, 1202.1762

W and Z production

- **W and Z production at threshold** offer a unique testing ground of perturbative QCD: large logarithms from **soft gluon radiation** need to be **resummed to all orders**

$$C^{\text{res}}(N, \alpha_s(Q^2)) = g_0(\alpha_s) \exp \mathcal{S} \left(\bar{\alpha} \ln \frac{1}{N}, \bar{\alpha} \right),$$
$$\mathcal{S}(\lambda, \bar{\alpha}) = \frac{1}{\bar{\alpha}} g_1(\lambda) + g_2(\lambda) + \bar{\alpha} g_3(\lambda) + \bar{\alpha}^2 g_4(\lambda) + \dots$$

- Direct interplay with **non perturbative dynamics**, and unique source to understand the **convergence of the QCD perturbative expansion**

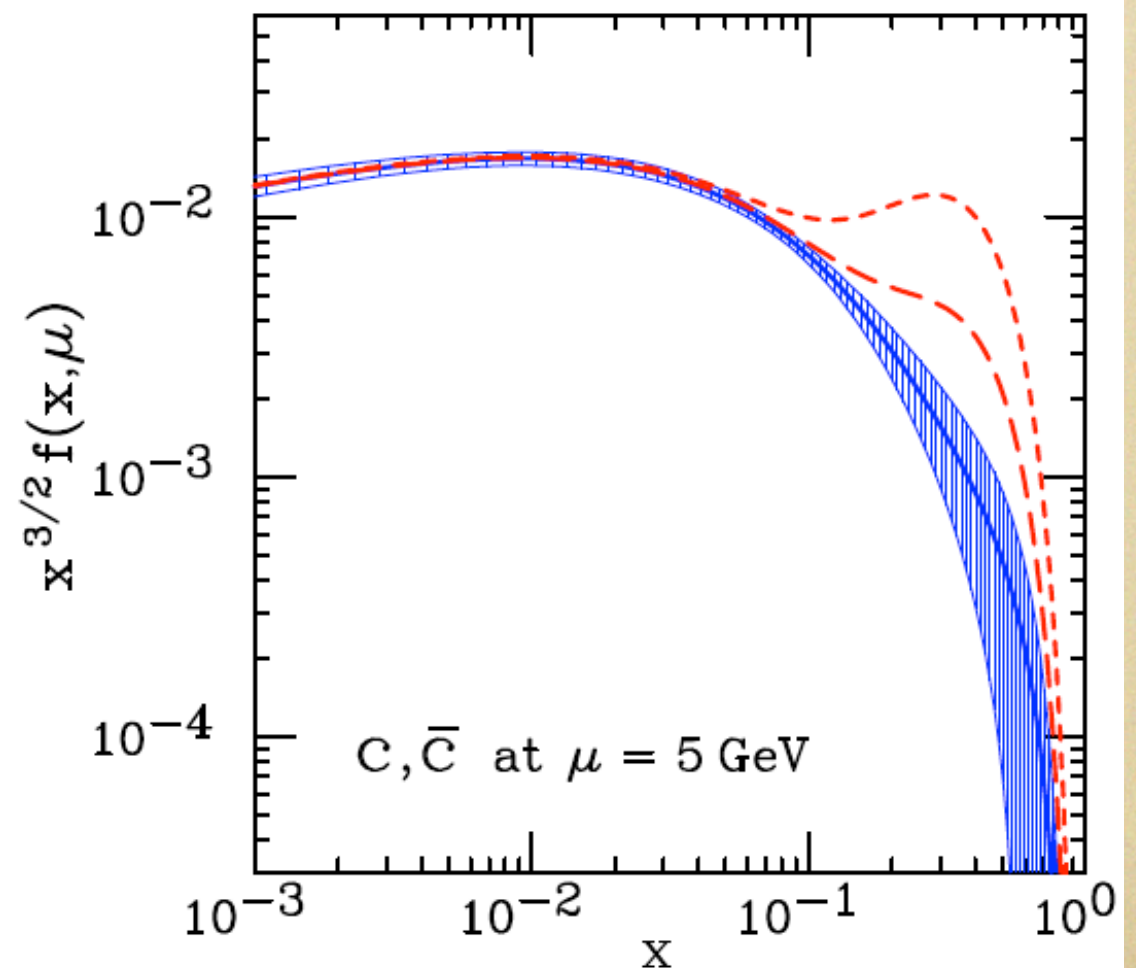
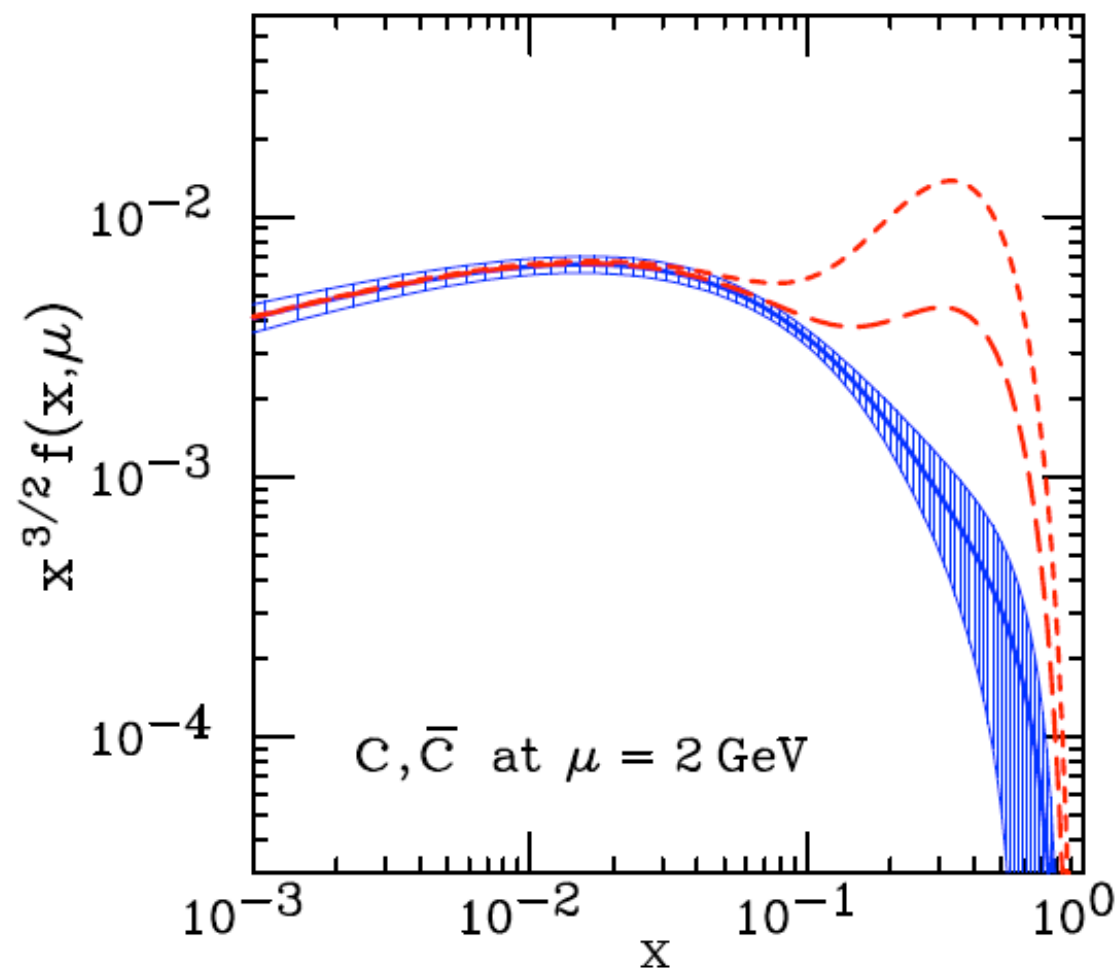


Bonvini, Forte, Ridolfi, 1009.5691

INTRINSIC CHARM

Intrinsic Charm

- **Intrinsic Charm** in the proton wave function is motivated by **non perturbative models of hadron structure** in QCD
- Recent phenomenological study by the **CTEQ** collaboration: IC might be **sizable at large x** , a momentum fraction **smaller than 2%** cannot be excluded by current data
- However the CTEQ analysis relies on a **very constrained parametrization** for IC, and no attempt is done to extract the **asymmetry between Intrinsic Charm and AntiCharm**, and the dataset is now outdated, with no constraints from LHC data



CTEQ6.6c, hep-ph/0701220

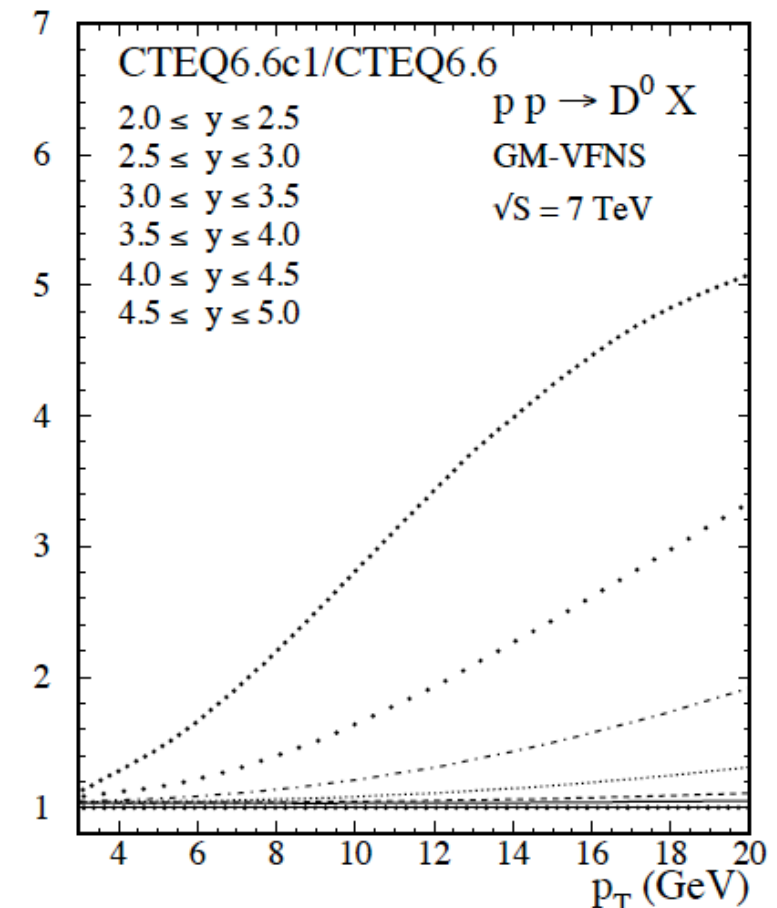
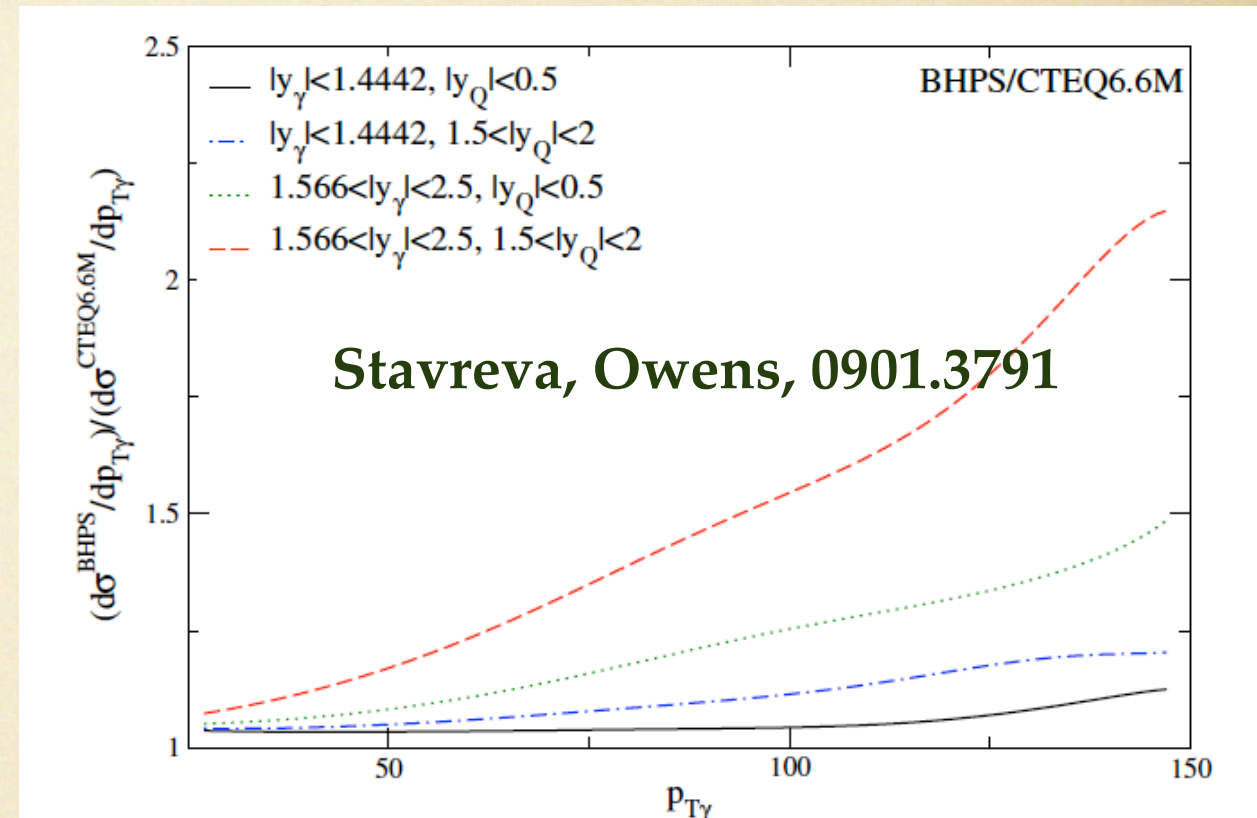
Probes of Intrinsic Charm

- Intrinsic Charm could be studied in **Fixed Target charm production Deep-Inelastic scattering** at large-x: suitable for the **AFTER** setup

- At the LHC **production and asymmetries of D mesons** (both for CMS/ATLAS and LHCb regions) would be modified by intrinsic charm

- Relation with **LHCb anomalies in the charm sector?**

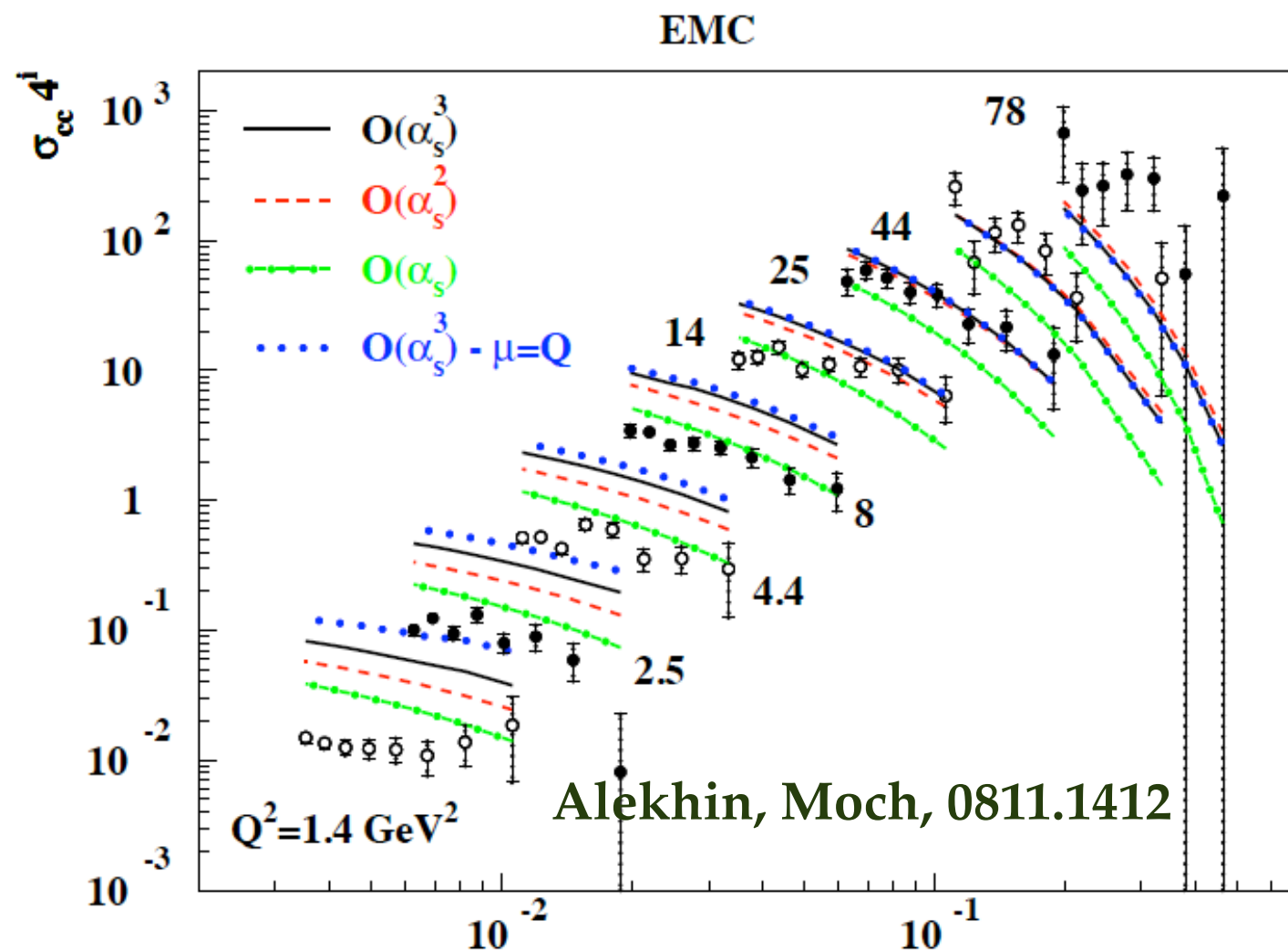
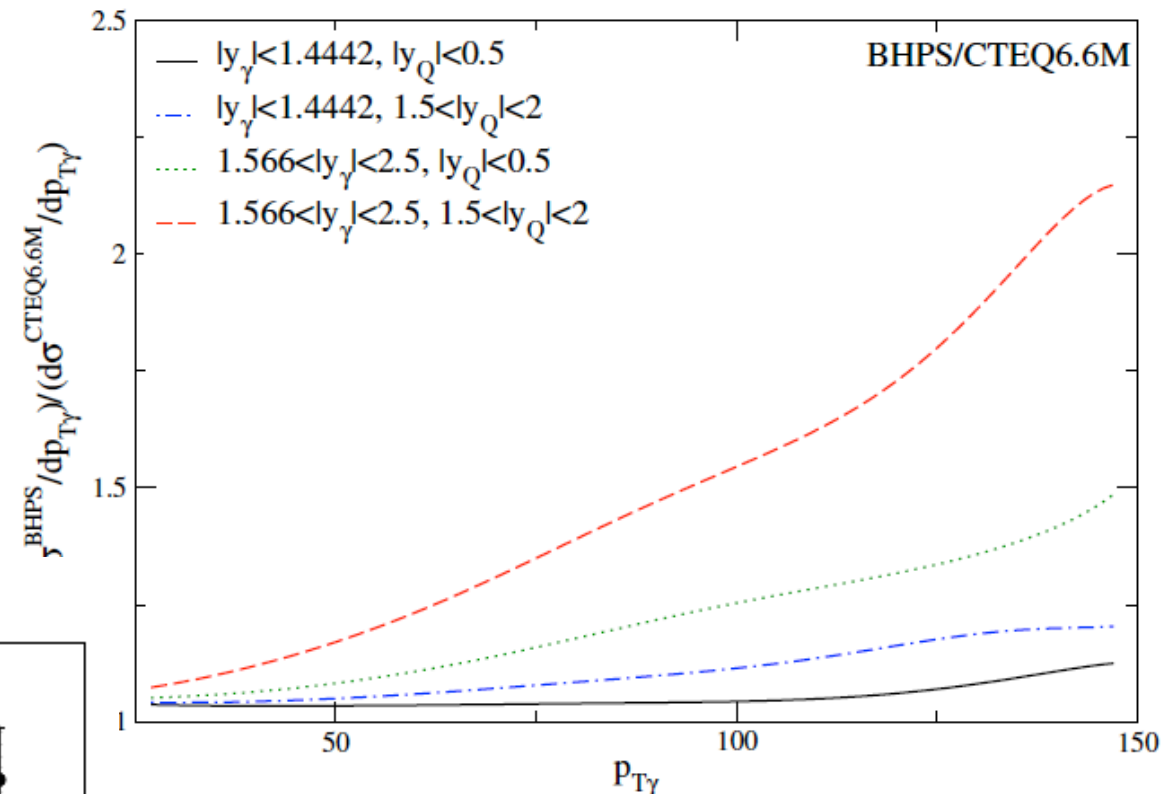
- Intrinsic Charm could sizably modify the yields of final states with charm quarks like **gamma+c** and **Z+c**



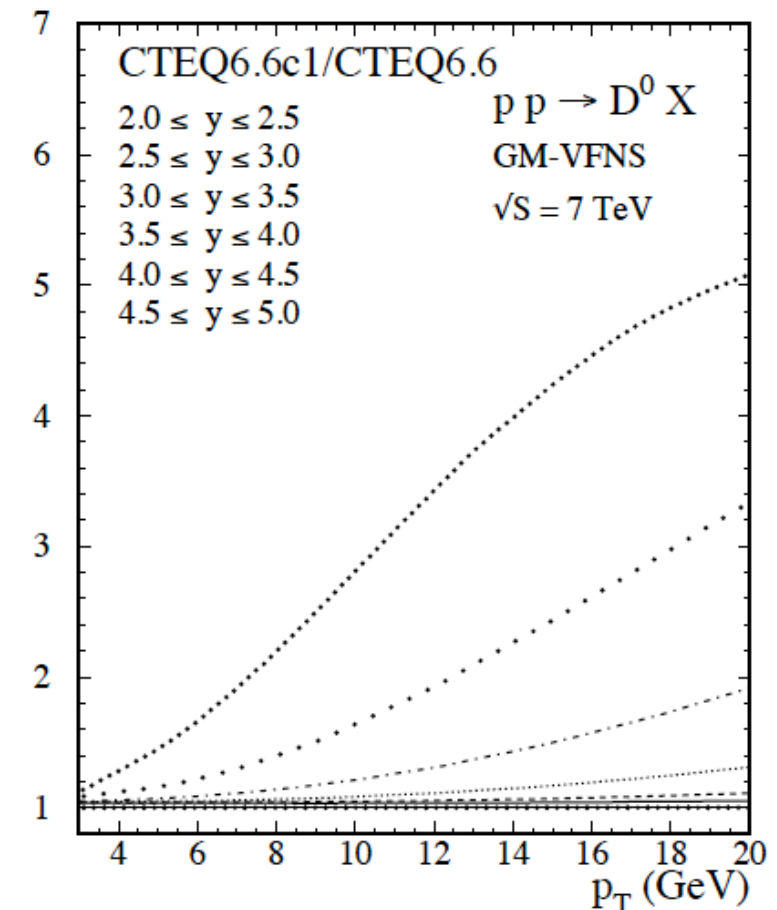
Kniesl et al, 0901.4130

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A solution for the EMC anomaly at AFTER?



NNPDF determination of Intrinsic Charm

- The FONLL GM-VFN scheme can be generalized to include a **Intrinsic Charm component**
 - First, the initial condition in **massless DGLAP evolution for the charm PDF** has to be **parametrized with neural networks**, instead of assuming that it vanishes (80 new parameters in the fit!)

$$\begin{aligned} c^+(x, Q_0^2) &= (1-x)^{m_{c^+}} x^{-n_{c^+}} \text{NN}_{c^+}(x) , \\ c^-(x, Q_0^2) &= (1-x)^{m_{c^-}} x^{-n_{c^-}} \text{NN}_{c^-}(x) - A_{c^-} [x^{r_{c^-}} (1-x)^{t_{c^-}}] , \end{aligned}$$

- Second, the $N_F=3$ **massive structure functions** need to account for the scattering of the virtual photon **off a massive quark in the proton**

$$\mathcal{F}_2 = \frac{2Q^2}{S_+\Delta} \frac{1}{2x} F_2 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} = Q_1(\chi, Q^2) \\ F_2^c(x, Q^2) = \frac{S_+\Delta}{2Q^2} 2xc(\chi, Q^2) \end{array} \right.$$

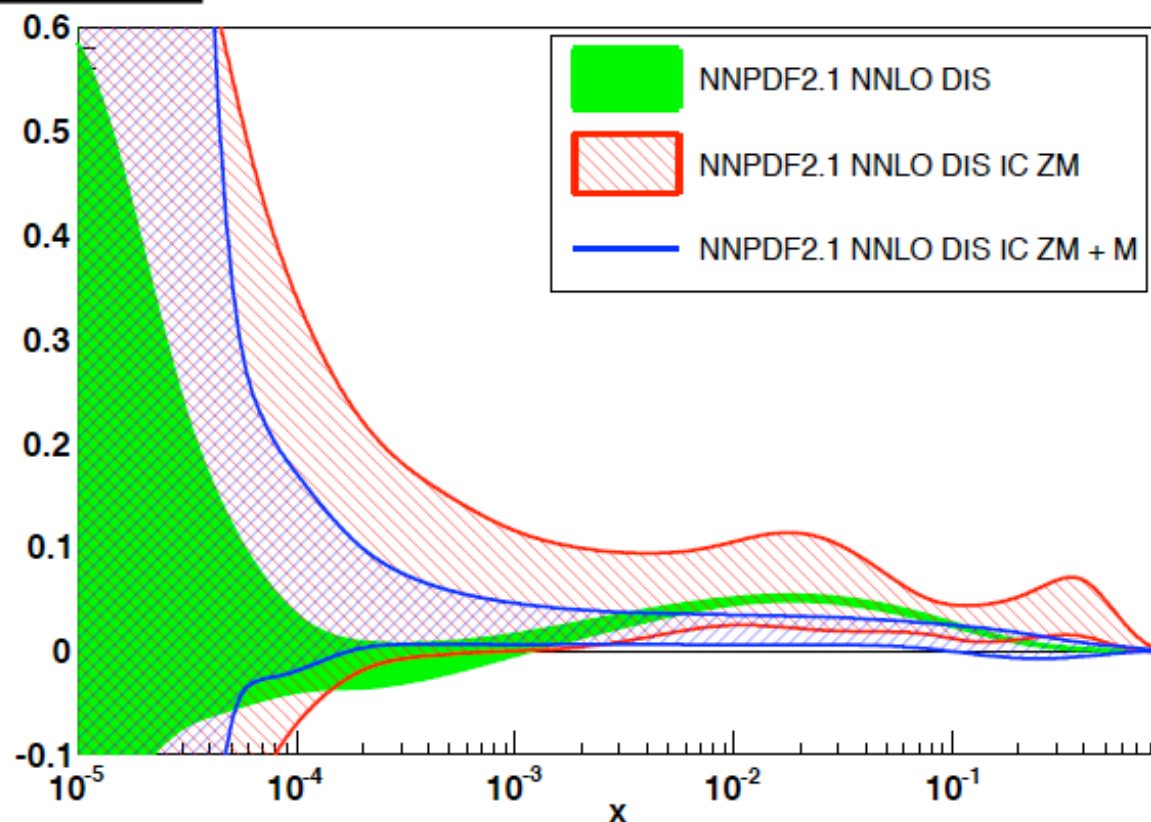
$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathcal{F}}_{i=1,2,3}^{QS(0+1)}(x, Q^2, \mu^2) &\equiv \mathcal{F}_i^{QS(0)}(x, \mu^2) + \hat{\mathcal{F}}_i^{QS(1)}(x, Q^2, \mu^2) \\ &= Q_1(\chi, \mu^2) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{2\pi} \int_{\chi}^1 \frac{d\xi'}{\xi'} \times \left[Q_1\left(\frac{\chi}{\xi'}, \mu^2\right) \hat{H}_i^q(\xi', m_1, m_2) \right] , \xi' \equiv \frac{\chi}{\xi} \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

NLO corrections to in **Kretzer, Schienbein, hep-ph/9805233**

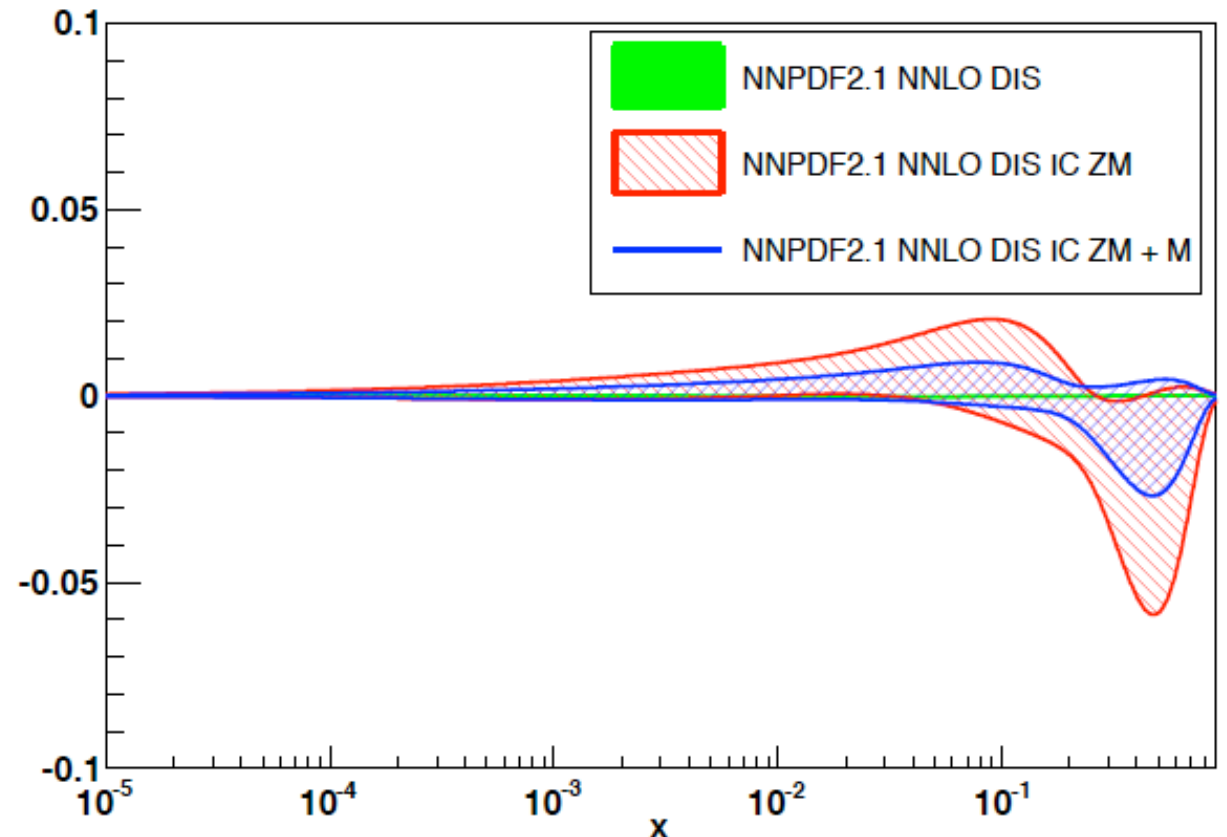
NNPDF determination of Intrinsic Charm

- Extend the NNPDF determination to allow for a **Intrinsic Charm component** in the proton (both for total and for IC asymmetry)
- Compare IC obtained when **only ZM evolution** is corrected for IC, with the full treatment including IC in the FFN structure functions
- **Consistent GM-VFN formulation** of structure functions with **Intrinsic Charm** crucial for quantitative results
- Phenomenological studies at the LHC in progress. **Study also the AFTER setup?**

$xc^+(x, Q^2)$



$xc^-(x, Q^2)$



Summary and outlook

- The NNPDF2 family is the **most updated PDF set** in terms of dataset, theoretical information and methodology
- Several interesting **PDF studies** can be performed at AFTER: constraints on quark PDFs from **DY**, constraints on gluons from **jets and photons**, **intrinsic heavy quarks**,
- The threshold region of W,Z production can be thoroughly studied: stringent test of **all-order QCD resummations**
- An unbiased PDF analysis allows for a **substantial Intrinsic Charm in the proton**, which would have **important phenomenological implications**, both at LHC and at AFTER