

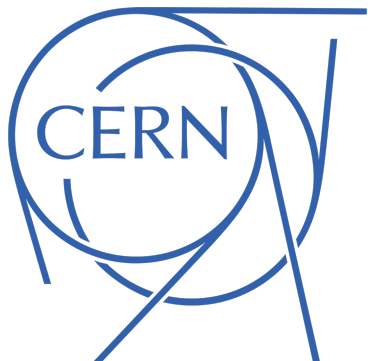
PDF constraints from new data and from future experiments

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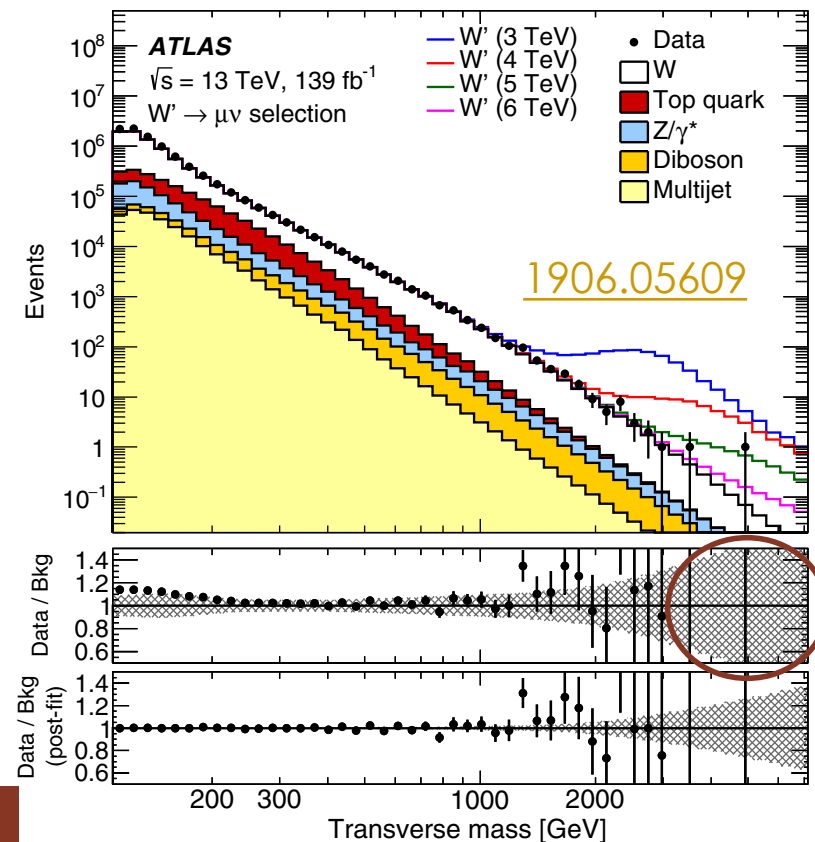
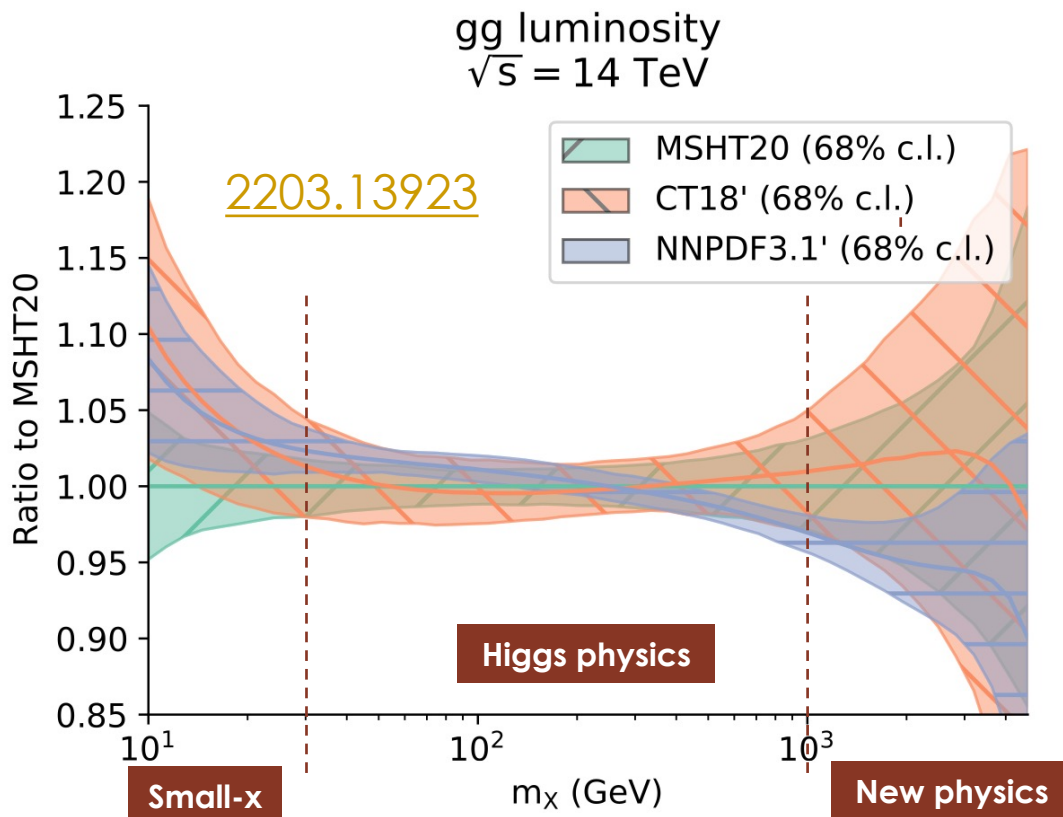
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Why proton PDFs matter

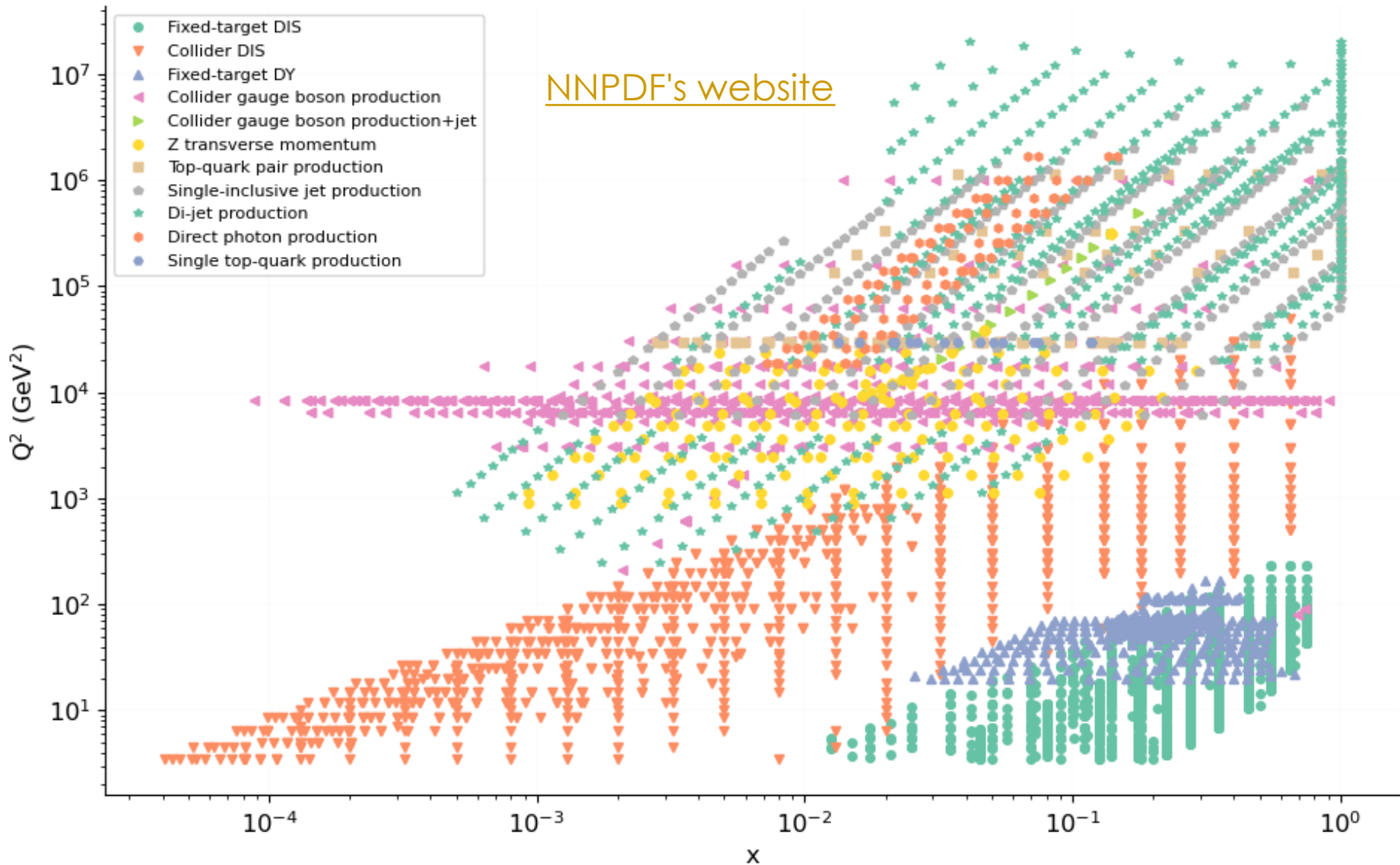
- Precise knowledge of Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs) is essential
- PDFs have large uncertainties in the LHC kinematics regions
 - Significant source of uncertainty for Higgs and top production
 - Limits precision on fundamental parameters (m_W , α_S , etc.)
 - Limits searches for new massive particles



Data useful for PDF fits

- **DY W,Z:** quark flavour separation
 - Cross sections and asymmetries: u_V, d_V, \bar{d} and \bar{s}
 - W,Z + jets: gluon, resolves ambiguities in high-x shapes i.e. \bar{s} suppression at high-x
- **DY γ^* :** \bar{u} , photon PDF
- **DY W,Z + heavy flavour:** discrimination between 4FS and 5FS, \bar{s} (W + c), intrinsic charm (Z + c in the forward region)
 - NNLO predictions and discussion on how to include fragmentation in a theoretically consistent manner
- **$t\bar{t}$:** gluon at medium- and high-x
- **Inclusive, di- and tri-jets:** gluon on a wide range of x
- **Single top:** down-type quarks at low-x
- **Direct photon:** gluon at medium- and high-x
- **Photon + heavy flavour:** discrimination between 4FS and 5FS
 - $\gamma + c$ does not offer very discrimination for intrinsic charm

Kinematic coverage



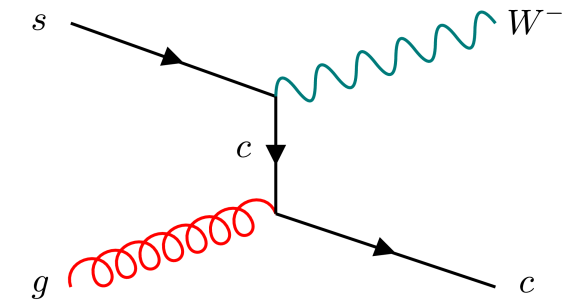
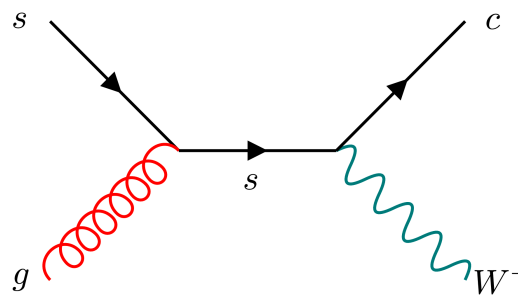
Outline of the talk

- This talk will focus on the following QCD related measurements from LHC :
 - Measurement of **W + charmed hadron** - [2302.00336](#) (accepted by PRD)
 - **Z + c** in the forward region - [PRL 128 \(2022\) 082001](#)
 - **Inclusive jet** production at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV - [JHEP 02 \(2022\) 142](#)
 - **Dijets** production at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV - [CMS-PAS-SMP-21-008](#)
 - **Inclusive-photon** production and its dependence on photon isolation at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV using 139 fb^{-1} of ATLAS data - [JHEP 07 \(2023\) 086](#)
- PDF sensitivities studies from future colliders:
 - HL-LHC
 - LHeC
 - EIC
- Disclaimer: **only unpolarised proton PDFs covered in this talk**



Measurement of W + charmed hadron

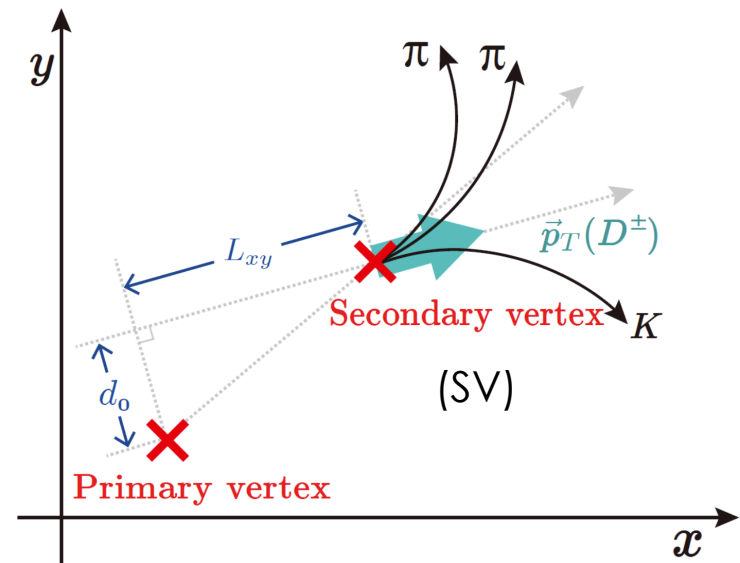
- W boson decaying leptonically ($e\nu/\mu\nu$)
- Lepton $p_T > 30$ GeV and $|\eta_l| < 2.5$
- $p_T(D) > 8$ GeV and $|\eta(D)| < 2.2$
- $E_T^{miss} > 30$ GeV
- $m_T(W) > 60$ GeV



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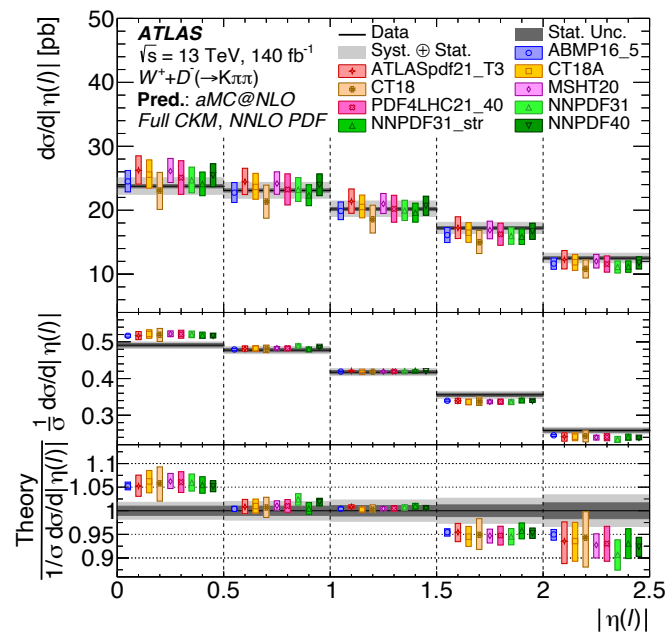
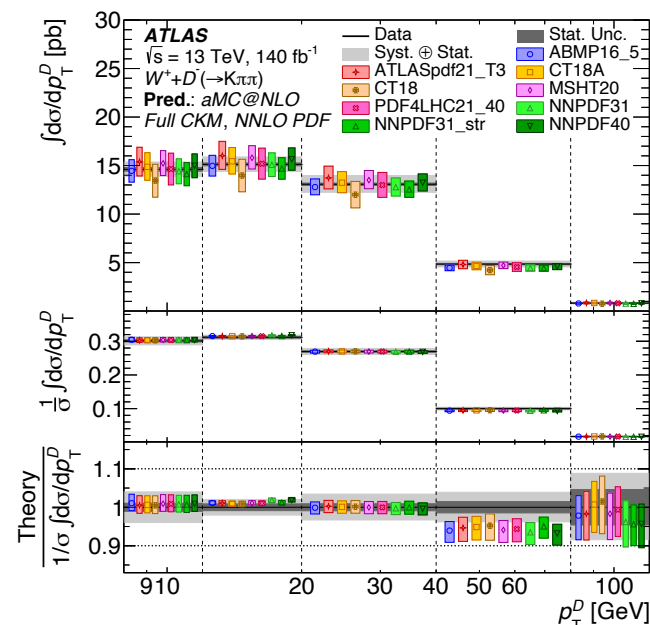
- Strategy: identify c-jet via charmed hadron reconstruction
 - $D^\pm \rightarrow K^\mp \pi^\pm \pi^\pm$
 - $D^{*\pm} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^\pm \rightarrow (K^\mp \pi^\pm) \pi^\pm$
- D^* mesons decay prompt
- Combine with prompt tracks (π^\pm)
- Check candidates against selection criteria

D⁺ meson



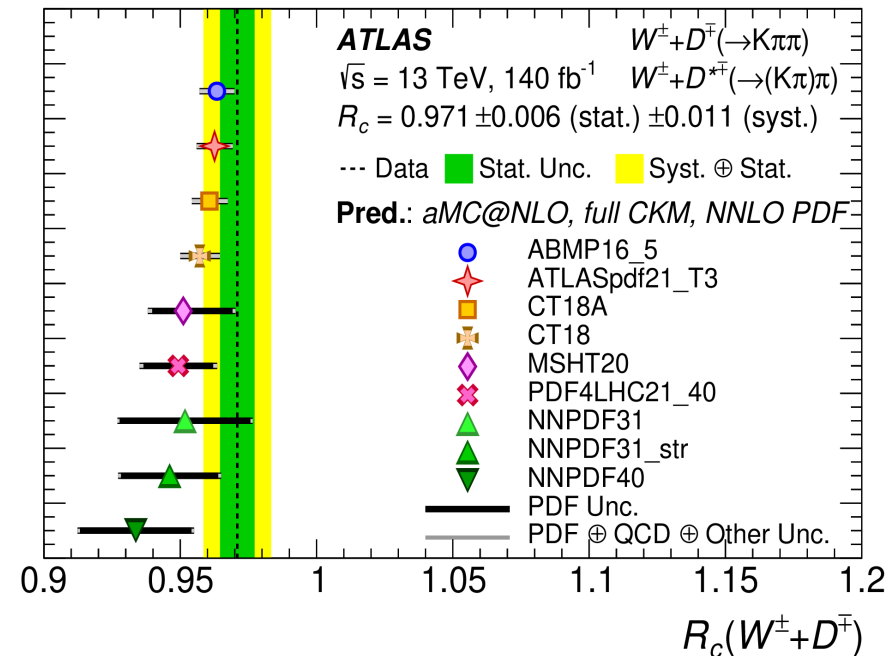
Measurement of $W +$ charmed hadron

- Background normalisation and systematic constraints via likelihood fit of $5 p_T(D^{(*)})$ or $|\eta_l|$ bins
- **Systematics** in the “+” and “-” channels **mostly cancel out in R_C^\pm**
- MC and data **statistics dominate** (from 0.7% to 1.3%)
- Smaller systematics in $|\eta_l|$ than $p_T(D^{(*)})$
 - SV reconstruction independent of $|\eta_l|$
- Similar trend observed for various PDF sets and different predictions (different MC generators, but same ‘merged’ accuracy)



Measurement of $W +$ charmed hadron

- PDFs which assume $(s - \bar{s})$ asymmetry in worse agreement with our data
- This suggests $(s - \bar{s})$ **asymmetry** is **small** in the region probed by this analysis
- Ratio of σ in 2 decay channels in agreement within uncertainties
- **Similar results found in a recent CMS paper** - [2308.02285](https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.02285)
- What next? Include these data in a PDF fit
- New IRC safe definition of jet flavour at NNLO/all orders available on the market 😊
- Current lack of NNLO predictions ☹️



Channel	$\sigma_{\text{fid}}^{\text{OS-SS}}(W+D^{(*)}) \times B(W \rightarrow \ell\nu)$ [pb]
$W^- + D^+$	$50.2 \pm 0.2 \text{ (stat.)} \begin{smallmatrix} +2.4 \\ -2.3 \end{smallmatrix} \text{ (syst.)}$
$W^+ + D^-$	$48.5 \pm 0.2 \text{ (stat.)} \begin{smallmatrix} +2.3 \\ -2.2 \end{smallmatrix} \text{ (syst.)}$
$W^- + D^{*+}$	$51.1 \pm 0.4 \text{ (stat.)} \begin{smallmatrix} +1.9 \\ -1.8 \end{smallmatrix} \text{ (syst.)}$
$W^+ + D^{*-}$	$50.0 \pm 0.4 \text{ (stat.)} \begin{smallmatrix} +1.9 \\ -1.8 \end{smallmatrix} \text{ (syst.)}$
$R_c^\pm = \sigma_{\text{fid}}^{\text{OS-SS}}(W^+ + D^{(*)}) / \sigma_{\text{fid}}^{\text{OS-SS}}(W^- + D^{(*)})$	
$R_c^\pm(D^+)$	$0.965 \pm 0.007 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.012 \text{ (syst.)}$
$R_c^\pm(D^{*+})$	$0.980 \pm 0.010 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.013 \text{ (syst.)}$
$R_c^\pm(D^{(*)})$	$0.971 \pm 0.006 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.011 \text{ (syst.)}$

Forward Z + c

[PRL 128 \(2022\) 082001](#)

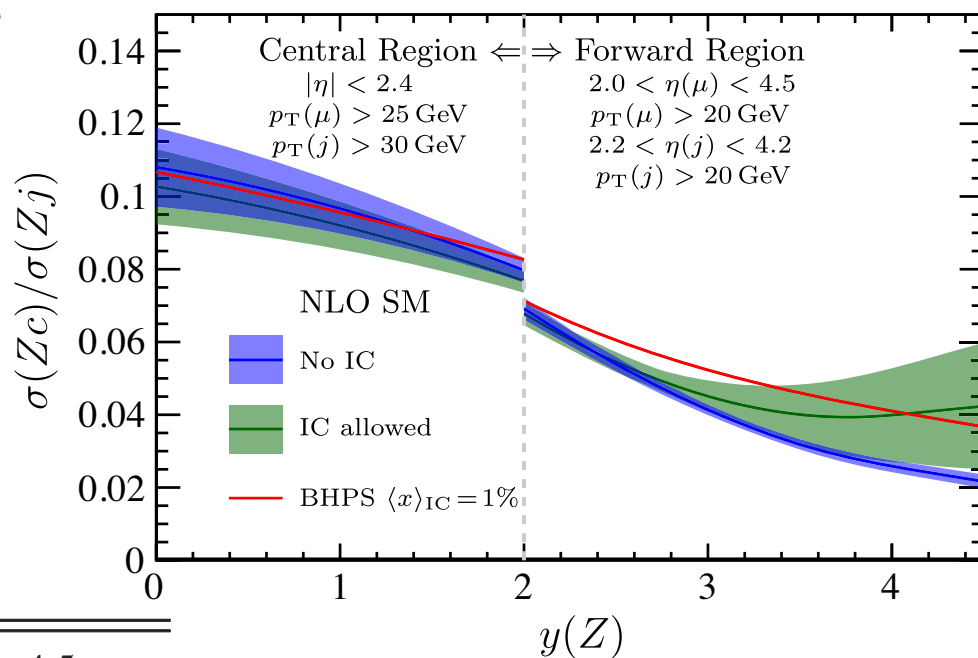
➤ **First study** of Z boson produced with a c-quark in the **forward region**, using full Run 2 data – optimized charm jet identification [JINST 17 \(2022\) P02028](#)

➤ **Measure $\sigma(Z_c)/\sigma(Z_j)$**

➤ At NLO a percent-level valence-like IC contribution would produce significant enhancement in the ratio at high $y(Z)$ region

➤ IC-allowed model at **high $y(Z)$** is largely unconstrained

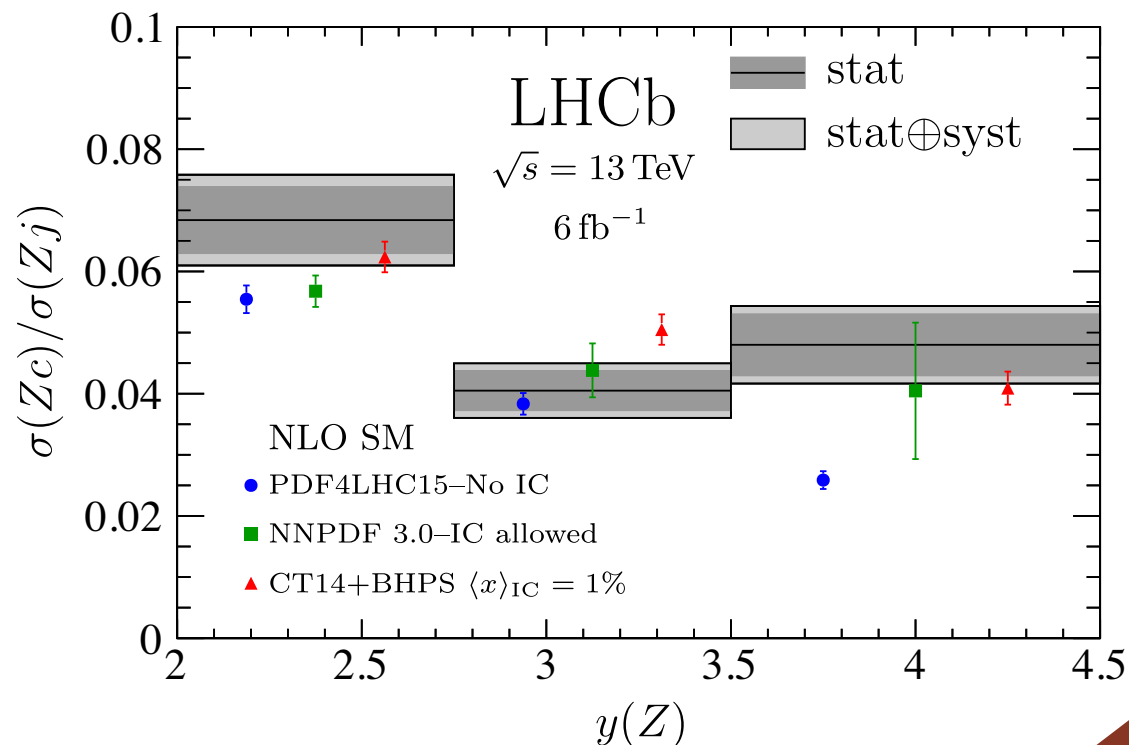
➤ Many jet-related systematics cancel in the ratio



Fiducial phase-space

Z bosons	$p_T(\mu) > 20 \text{ GeV}, 2.0 < \eta(\mu) < 4.5,$ $60 < m(\mu^+\mu^-) < 120 \text{ GeV}$
Jets	$20 < p_T(j) < 100 \text{ GeV}, 2.2 < \eta(j) < 4.2$
Charm jets	$p_T(c \text{ hadron}) > 5 \text{ GeV}, \Delta R(j, c \text{ hadron}) < 0.5$
Events	$\Delta R(\mu, j) > 0.5$

Forward Z + c



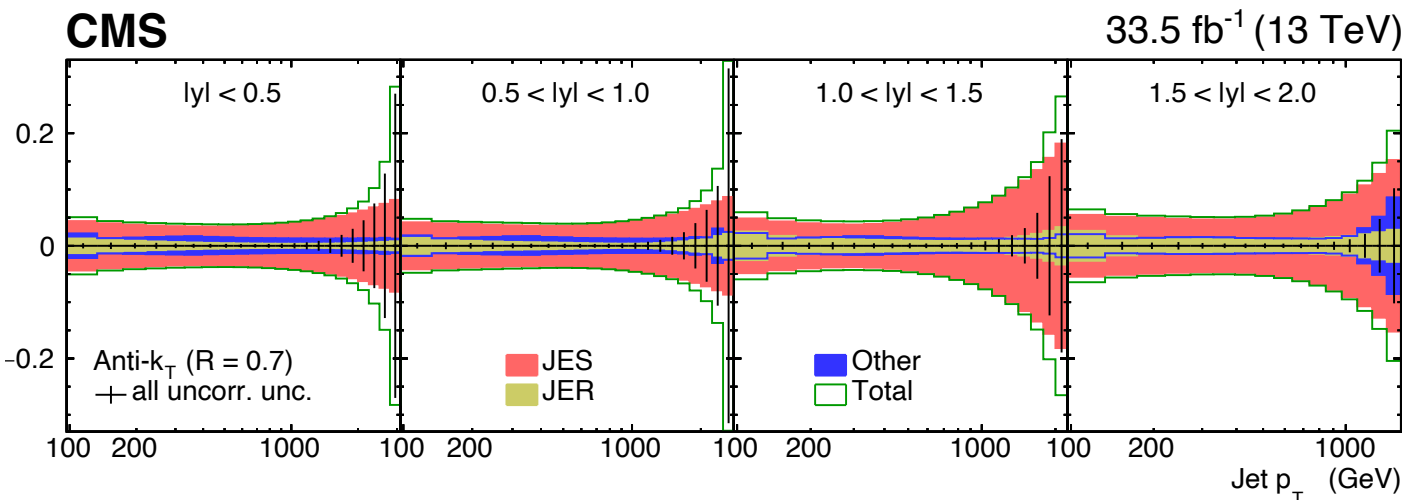
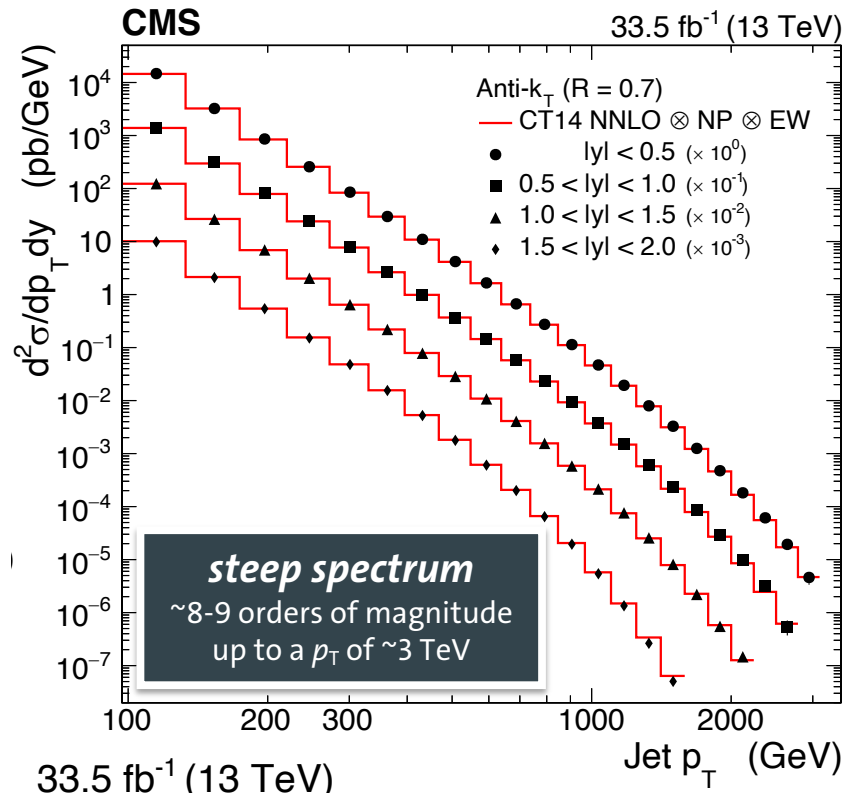
- **Clear enhancement in the highest y bin**
- More consistent with expected effect from $|uudc\bar{c}\rangle$ component predicted by LFQCD
- Incorporating forward results into a global analysis should strongly constrain the large- x charm PDF
- Current results are statistically limited \rightarrow Run 3 dataset will allow for finer binning
- Need **more NNLO, better showering calculations** and further **progress in quantifying PDF uncertainties**

NNPDF analysis finds LHCb Z + c and EMC $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$ data both favour IC at about 3σ

CTEQ analysis expects no significant evidence for NNPDF4.0 IC

Inclusive jet production

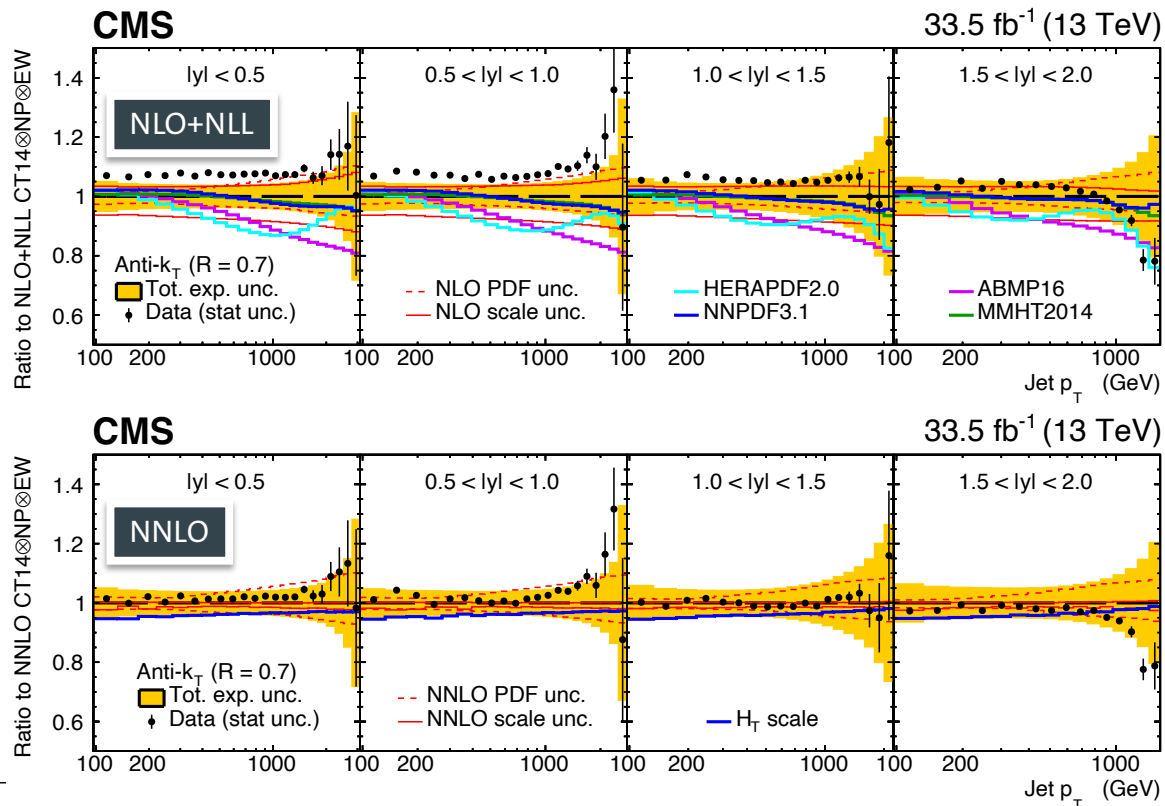
- **Double-differential** cross section measured as a function of **jet p_T** and **rapidity** for anti- k_T jets with $R = 0.4, 0.7$
- Good experimental precision
- **< 5%** uncertainty in main measurement region
- Dominant uncertainty contribution from Jet Energy Scale (**JES**)



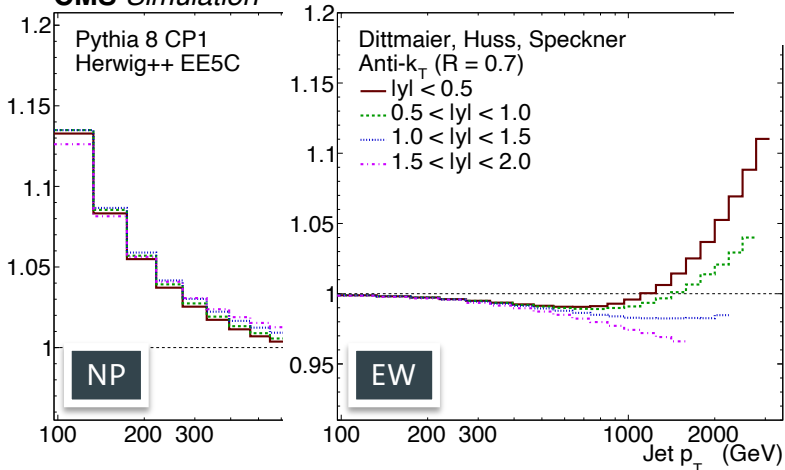
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Inclusive jet production

- Comparison to **FO pQCD** theory at **NNLO** and **NLO+NLL**
- Corrections for NP and EW contributions added as well
- Improved description of data at NNLO and **reduced scale uncertainty**



CMS Simulation



- **NNPDF3.1** and **MMHT14** provide a better data description wrt ABMP16 and HERAPDF2.0
- **Some disagreement** between global PDF sets, especially in the **high-p_T** region

Inclusive jet production

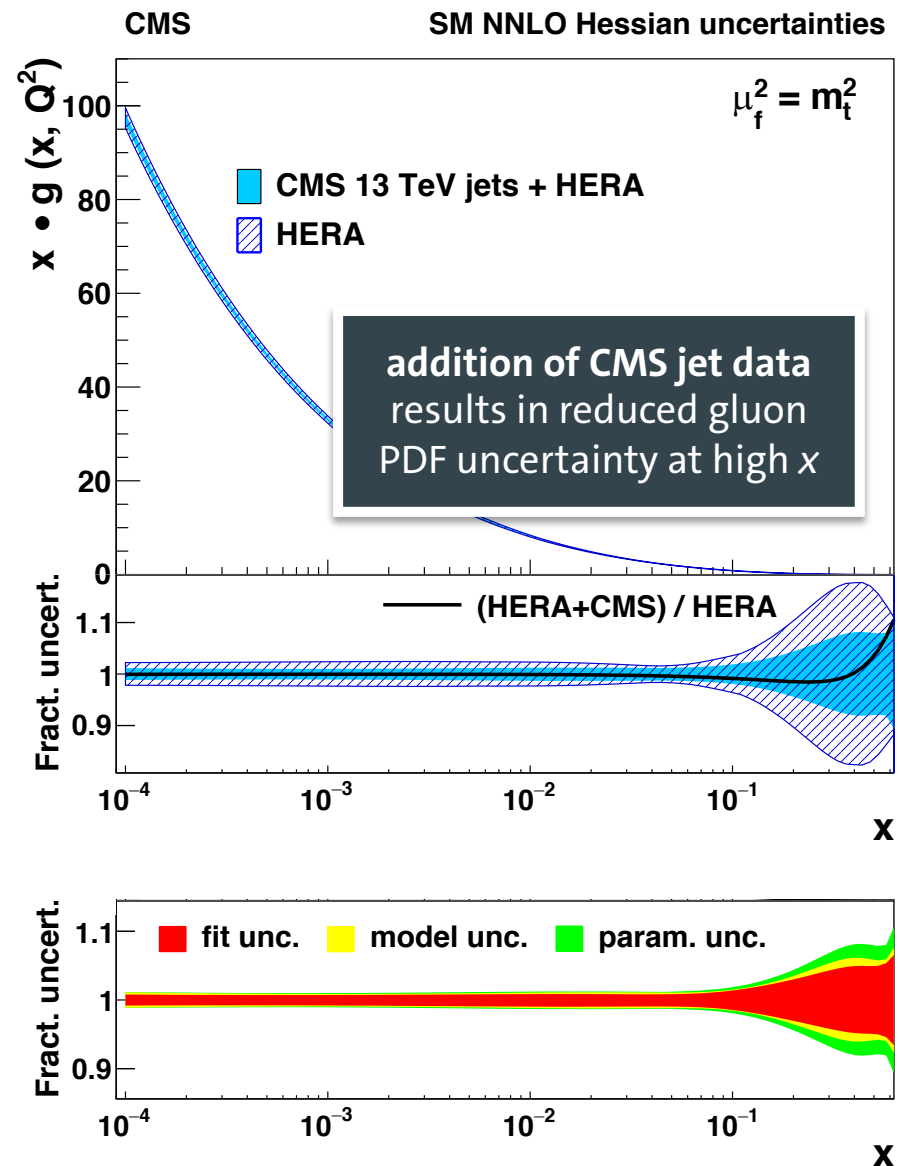
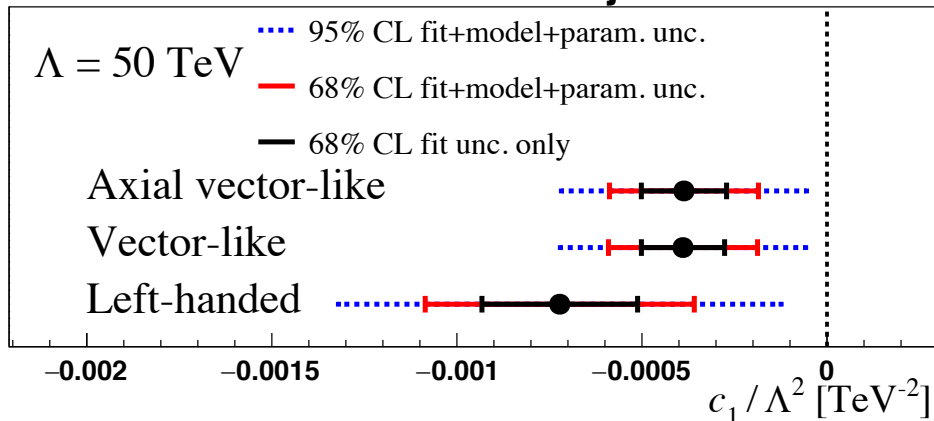
- Determination of **PDFs and α_s at NNLO**

$$\alpha_s(m_Z)_{\text{NNLO}} = 0.1166 \text{ (14)}_{\text{fit}} \text{ (7)}_{\text{model}} \text{ (4)}_{\text{scale}} \text{ (1)}_{\text{param.}}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \chi^2 / n_{\text{dof}} = 1302 / 1118$$

- **With $t\bar{t}$ data:** limits on Wilson coefficients for four-quark contact interactions
 - Multiple coupling structures probed
 - No significant deviations found

CMS SMEFT NLO 13 TeV jets & $t\bar{t}$ + HERA

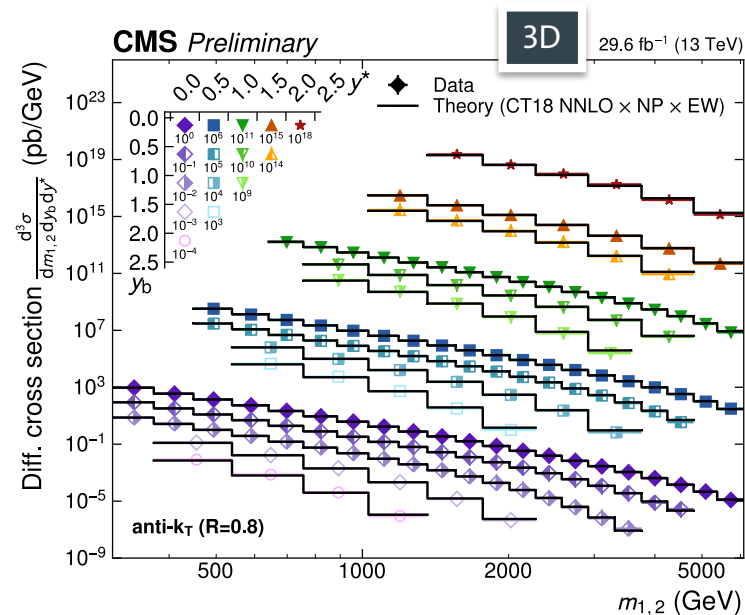
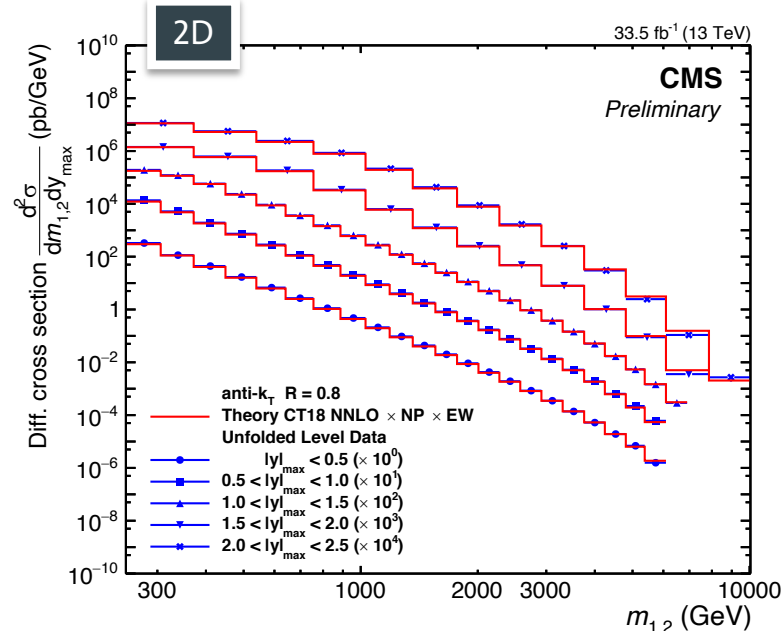
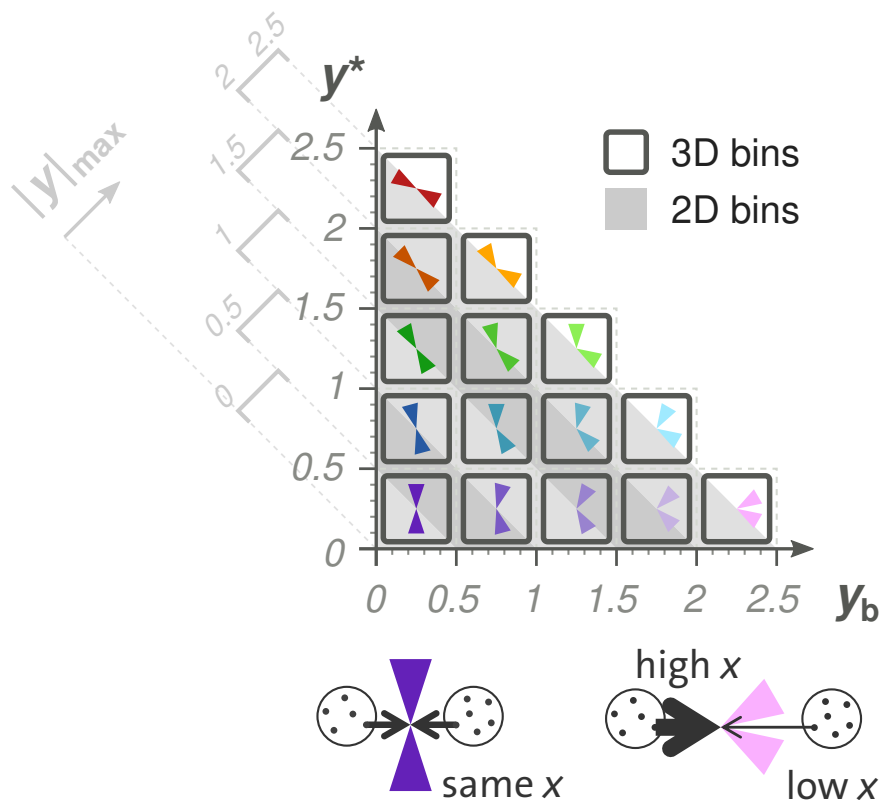


Dijets production

CMS-PAS-SMP-21-008

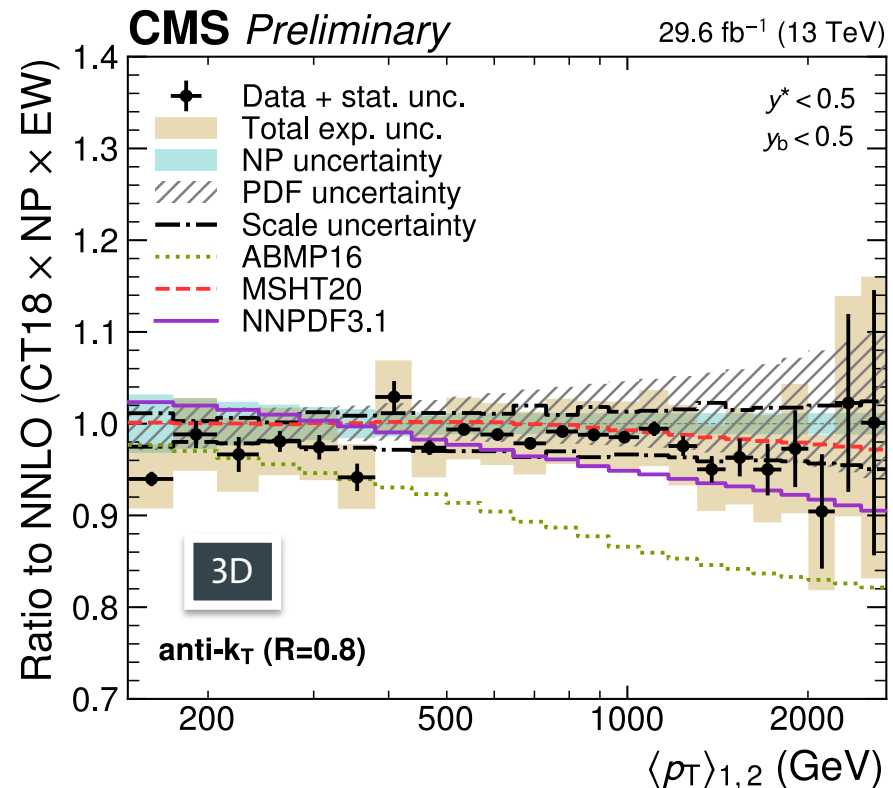
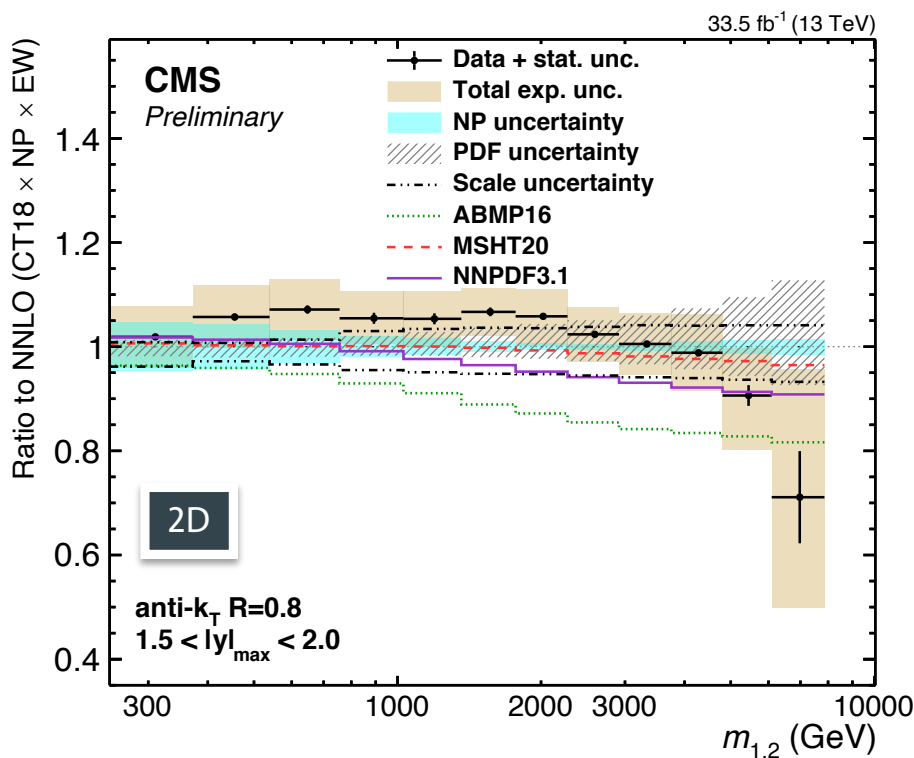
➤ **Double- and triple-**differential cross section measured as a function of **dijet invariant mass $m_{1,2}$** and **rapidity** of anti- k_T jets with **$R = 0.4, 0.8$**

➤ Disentangle regions of different Bjorken x carried by partons → **PDF fits**



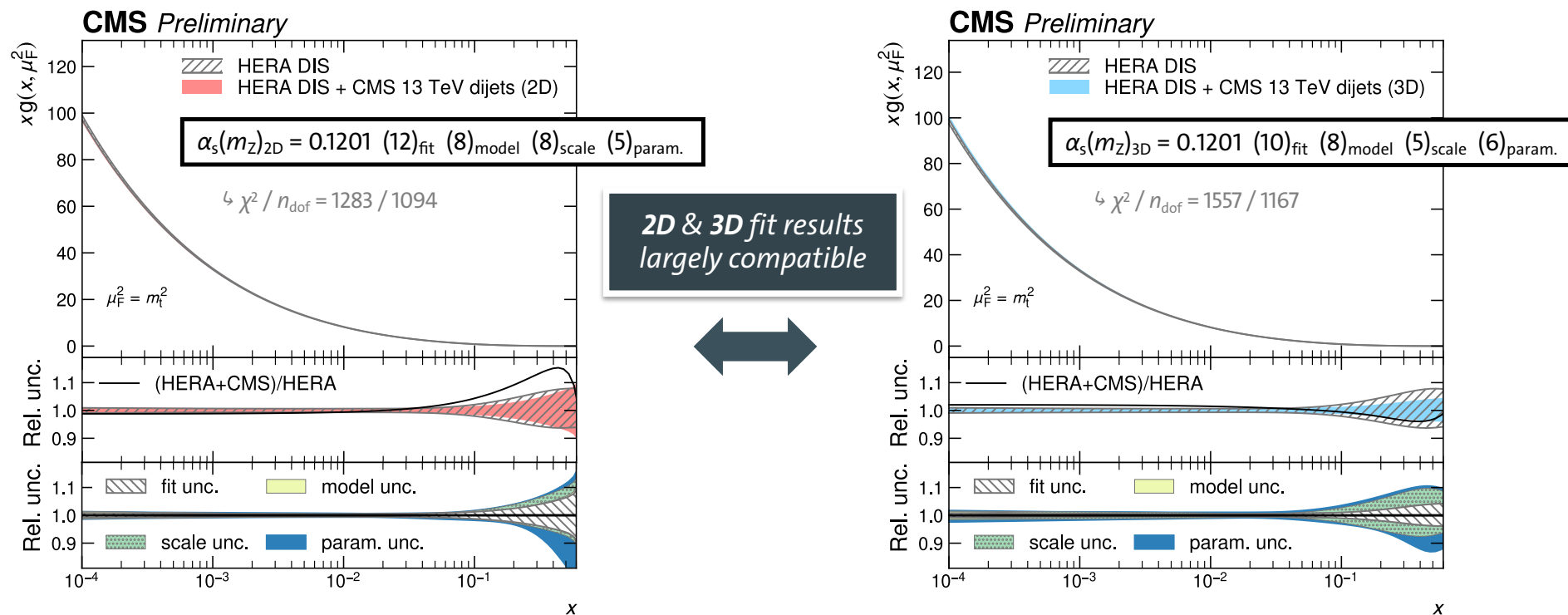
Dijets production

- Comparison to **FO theory** predictions at **NNLO + EW + NP**
- Data generally well described by the theory
- Here **R = 0.8** (similar agreement found for R = 0.4)
- MSHT20 (ABMP16) provides the best (worst) description of the data



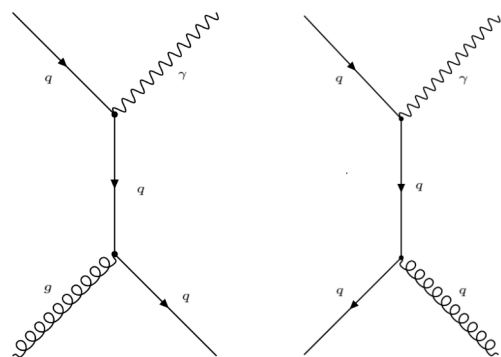
Dijets production

- Determination of **PDFs and α_s at NNLO**
- Larger α_s value wrt the one obtained when fitting the inclusive jet distributions
- Impact on the gluon PDF (and its uncertainty) mostly for Bjorken $x > 0.1$
- Pulls in different directions



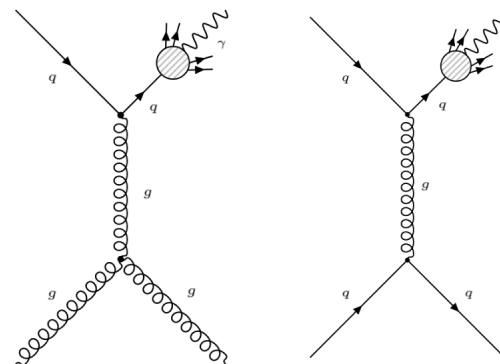
Inclusive photon production

- The production of high- p_T prompt photons (not coming from hadron decays) proceeds via 2 mechanisms:



Direct processes

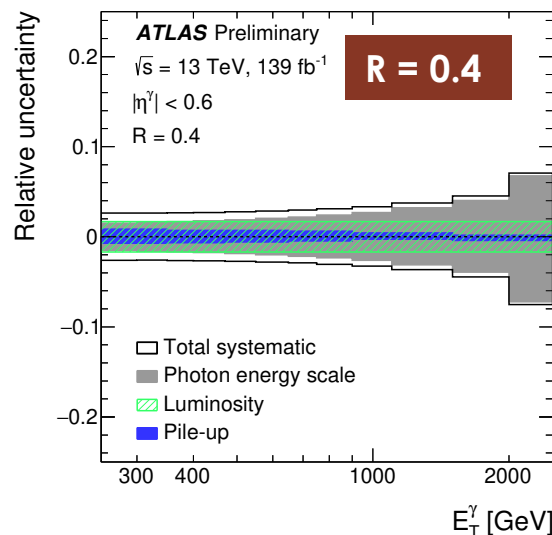
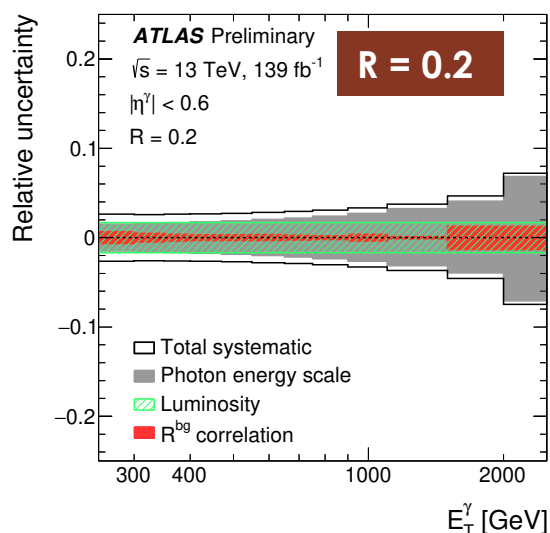
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Fragmentation processes

- Measurements of inclusive isolated-photon cross sections
 - Provide a testing ground for pQCD with a hard colourless probe
 - Are sensitive to the gluon PDF (via $qg \rightarrow q\gamma$) \rightarrow input for global QCD fits
- [Previous studies](#) performed using 36 fb^{-1} from 2015+2016 data taking
 - Including the full Run-2 data provides higher E_T^Y values with smaller statistical uncertainties
 - The new measurements benefit from reduced systematics thanks to the work of the ATLAS Combined Performance groups

Inclusive photon production



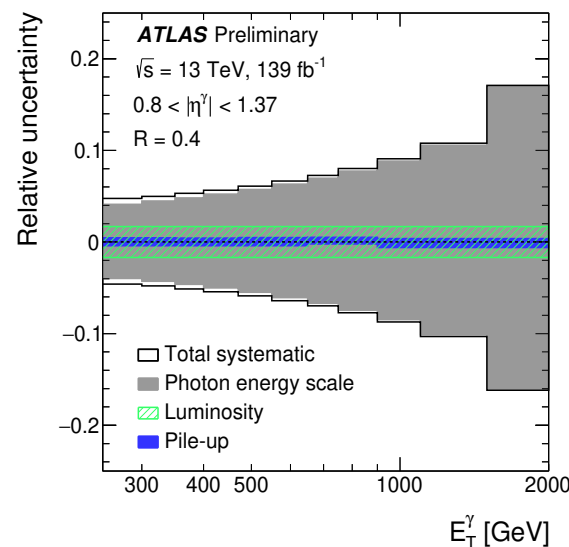
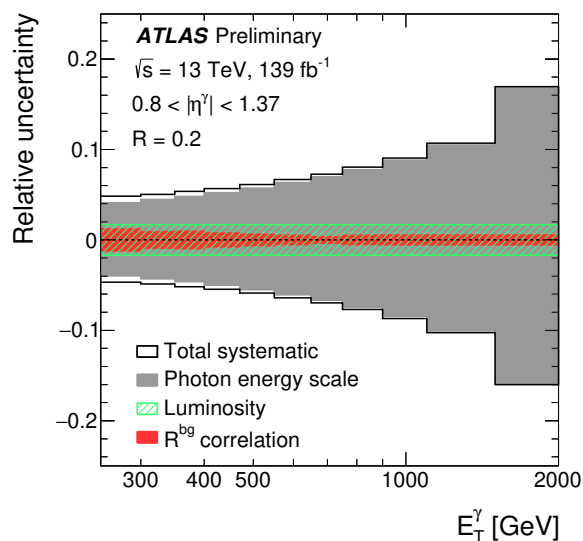
➤ Total systematic uncertainty and dominant contributions

➤ Dominant sources:

➤ Photon energy scale

➤ Luminosity measurement

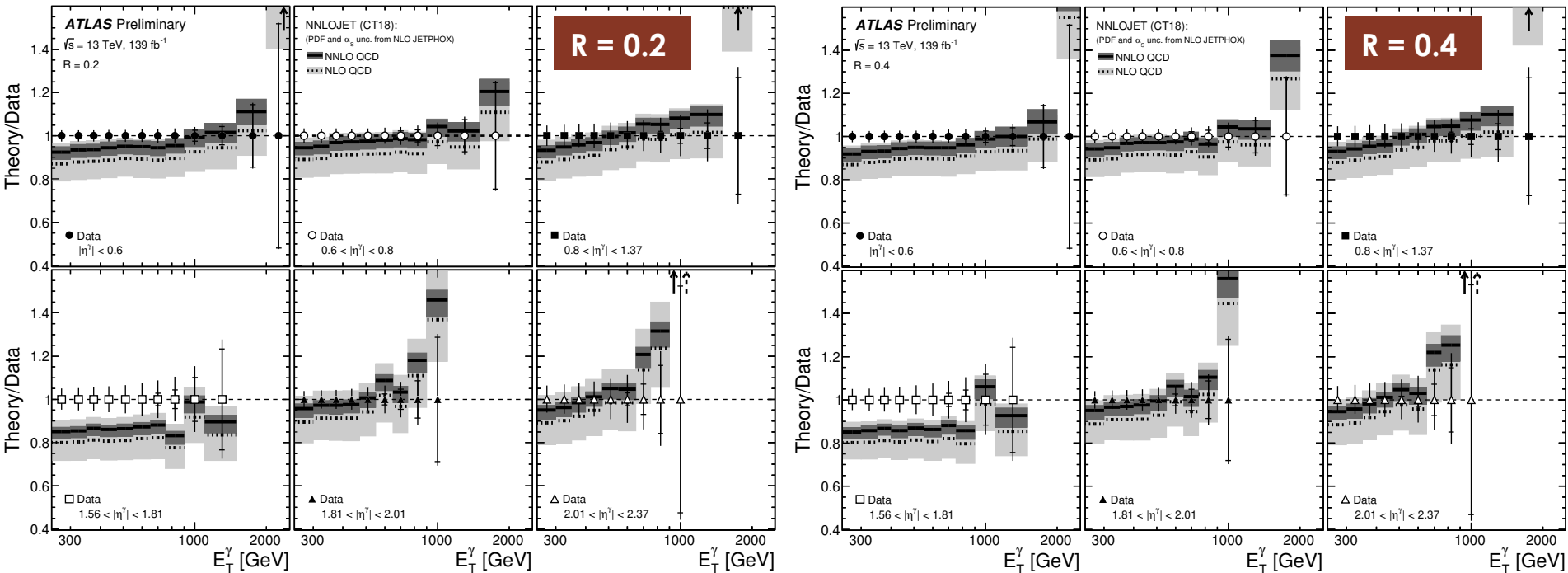
➤ R^{bg} correlation (Pile up) for $R = 0.2$ ($R = 0.4$)



➤ Photon ID efficiency uncertainty significantly reduced wrt the previous analysis (1-3% \rightarrow ~0.6%)

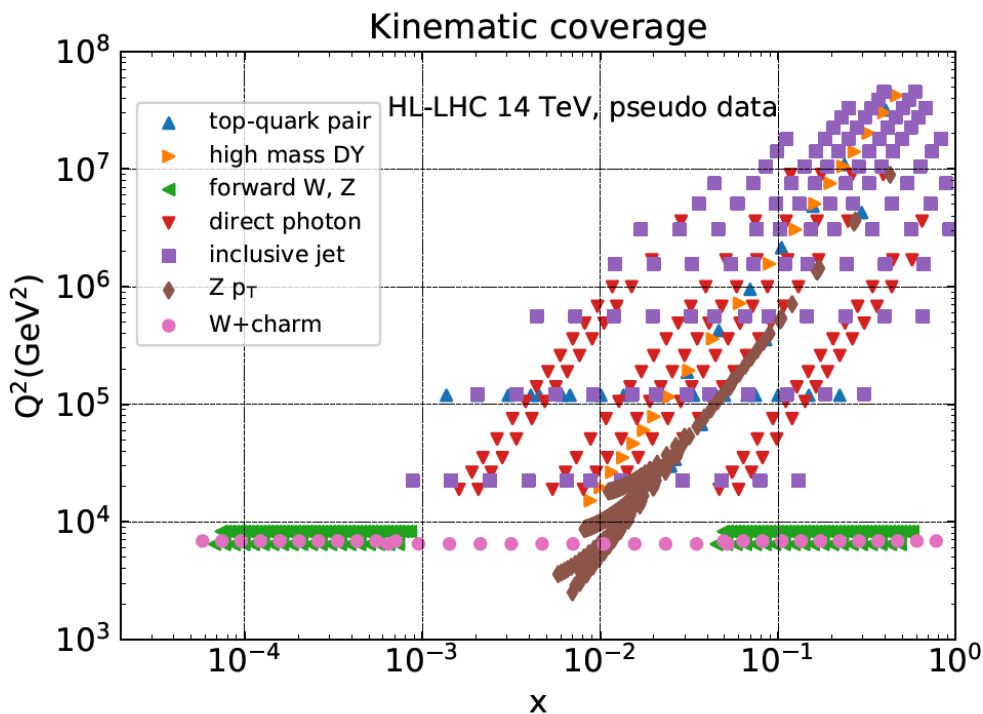
Inclusive photon production

- The NNLO pQCD predictions of NNLOJET compared to the measured differential cross sections as functions of E_T^γ in different $|y^\gamma|$ regions



- Predictions are consistent with the measurements within uncertainties, except in the region $1.56 < |y^\gamma| < 1.81$, where the NNLO predictions underestimate the data
- Visible reduction of scale uncertainties in NLO \rightarrow NNLO
- **Different isolation radii for the first time** as requested by theorists - [1904.01044](https://arxiv.org/abs/1904.01044)

HL-LHC PDFs

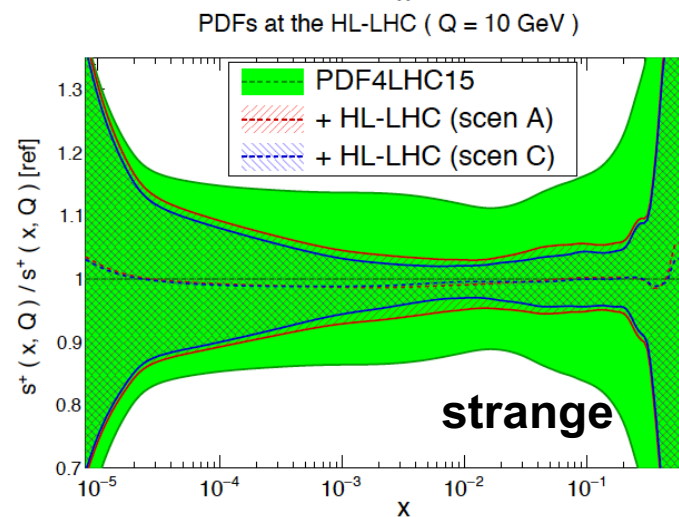
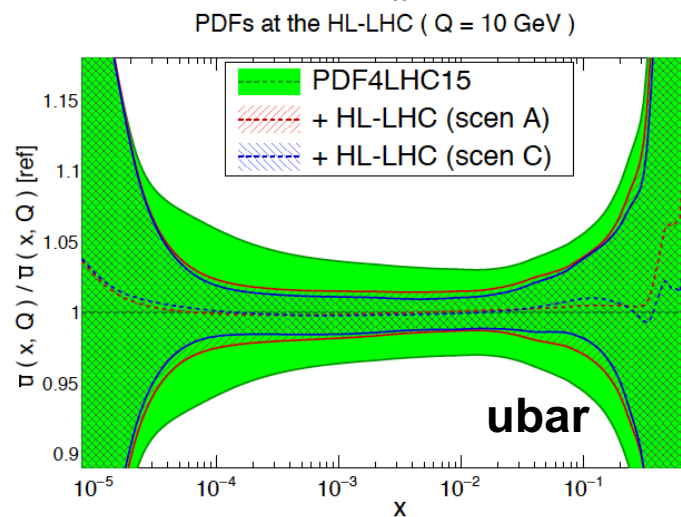
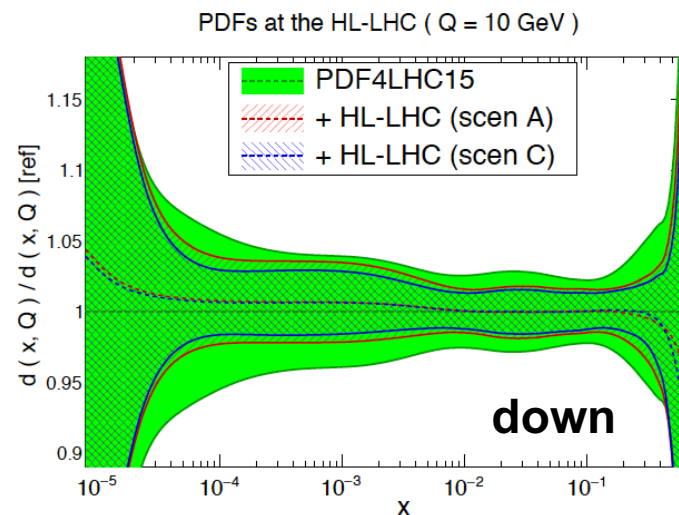
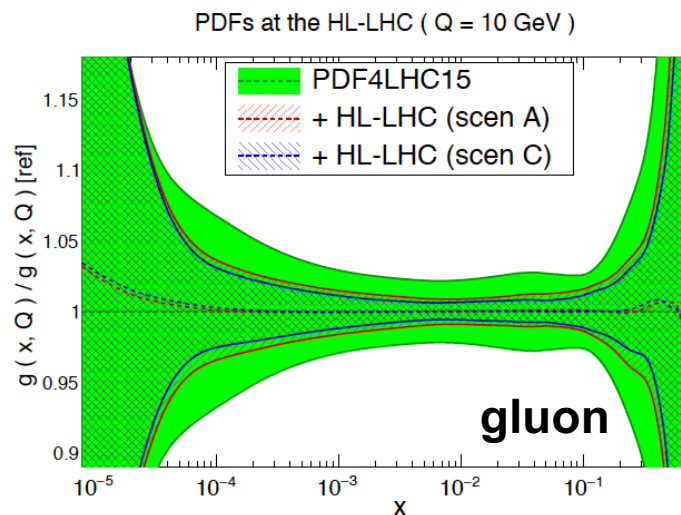


$$\text{sys}(14 \text{ TeV}) \sim f_{\text{corr}} \times f_{\text{red}} \times \text{sys}(8/13 \text{ TeV})$$

Hessian profiling of PDF4LHC15
(with tolerance $T = \sqrt{\Delta\chi^2} = 9$)

- **Study PDF constraints** expected from LHC measurements by end of HL-LHC phase (2027 to end-2030s)
- ATLAS+CMS 3 ab⁻¹, LHCb 0.3 ab⁻¹
- CERN YR: [1902.04070](https://cds.cern.ch/record/1902040)
- Focus on datasets sensitive to mid-to-large-x and not already systematics limited
- Systematics taken from existing data
- Treated as uncorrelated ($f_{\text{corr}} = 0.5$), chosen to approximately reduce effect of systematic correlations
- f_{red} to estimate improvement to systematics

HL-LHC PDFs

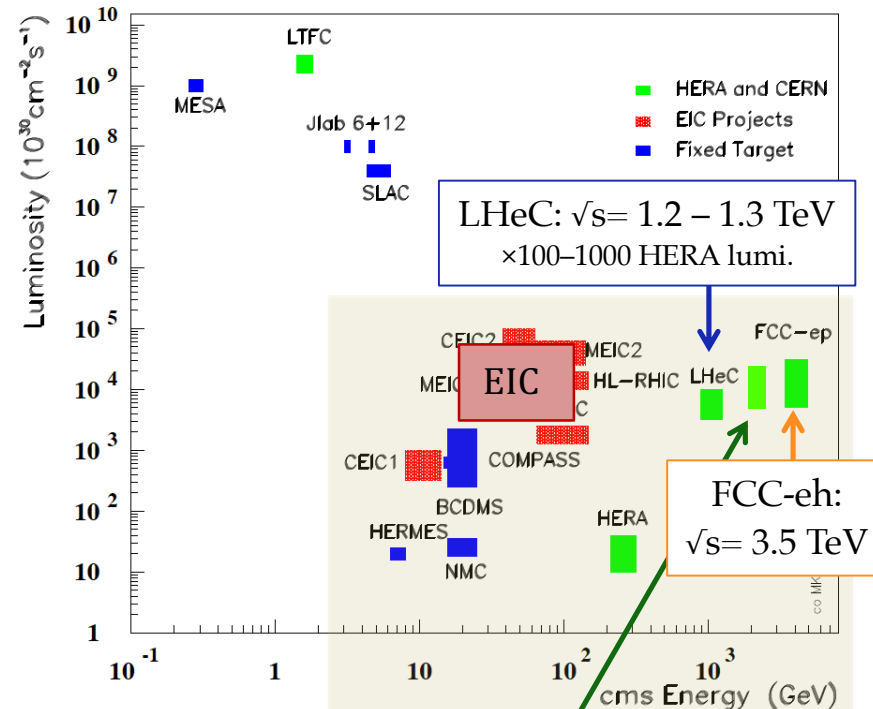
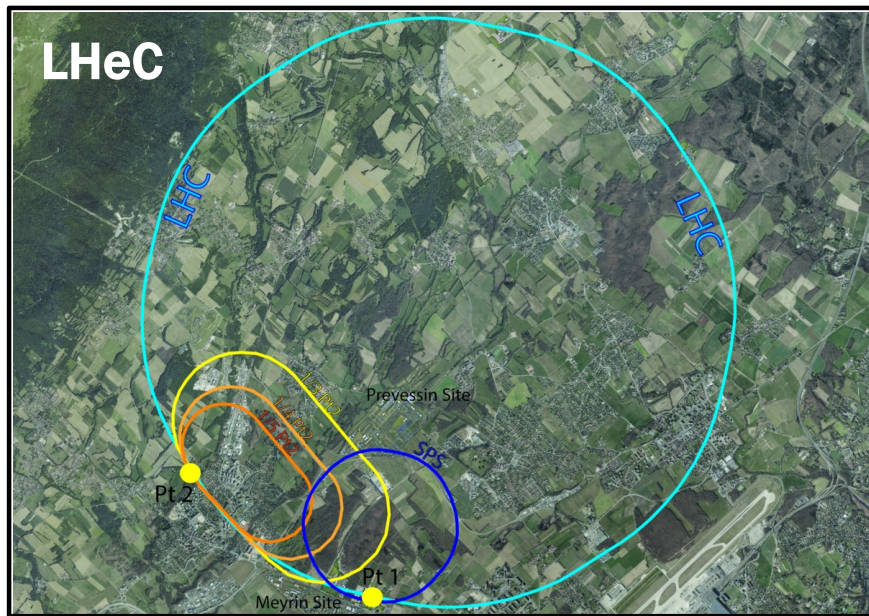


f_{red} {

- 1/0.5 (8/13) TeV → scenario A: conservative
- 0.4/0.2 (8/13) TeV → scenario C: optimistic

Together with intermediate scenario B, all are available in LHAPDF format

LHeC, FCC-eh and PERLE

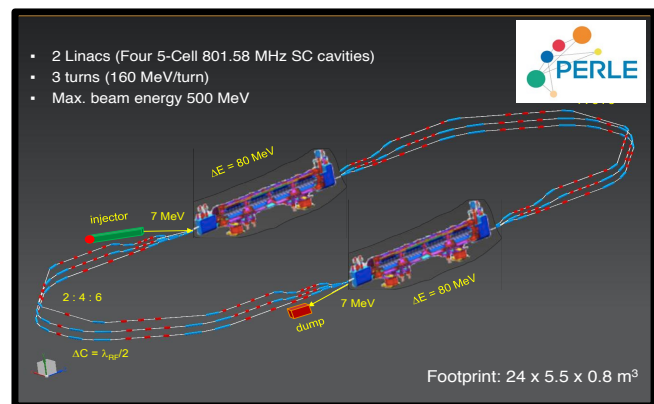


“LE-FCC-eh”: $\sqrt{s} = 2.1$ TeV
 (earlier operation with current magnet technology, $E_p = 19$ TeV)

➤ **Energy Recovery LINAC (ERL) attached to HL-LHC (or FCC)**

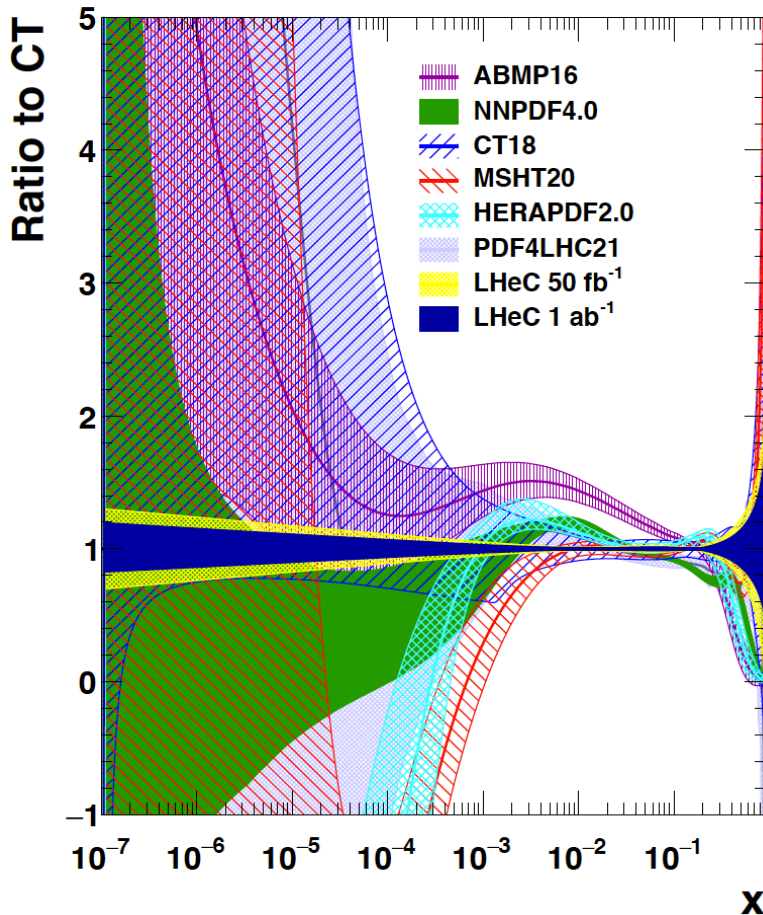
- e beam \rightarrow 50/60 GeV
- e polarisation $\rightarrow \pm 0.8$
- $\int \mathcal{L} = 1-2 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ (x100-1000 HERA!)

➤ PERLE: international collaboration built to realise 500 MeV facility at Orsay, for development of ERL with LHeC conditions

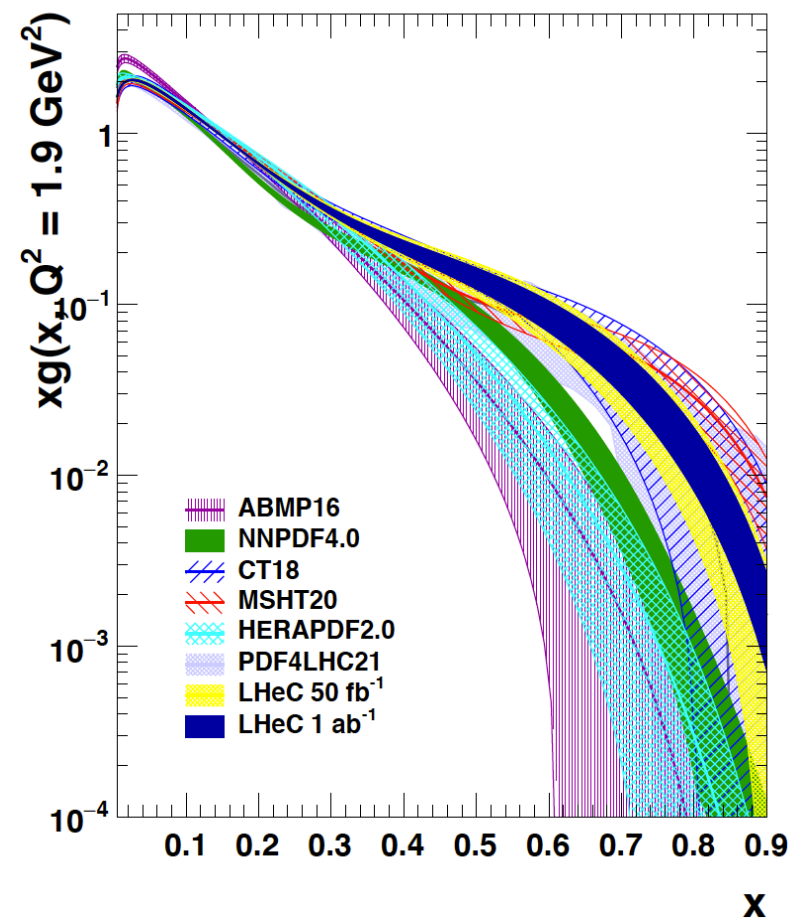


Gluon PDF

gluon distribution at $Q^2 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$



gluon distribution at $Q^2 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$



- **Uncertainties on the high-x gluon PDF reduced drastically!**
- LHeC data have even a better effect when jets are involved (not here) – more results in backup

Combining HL-LHC and LHeC

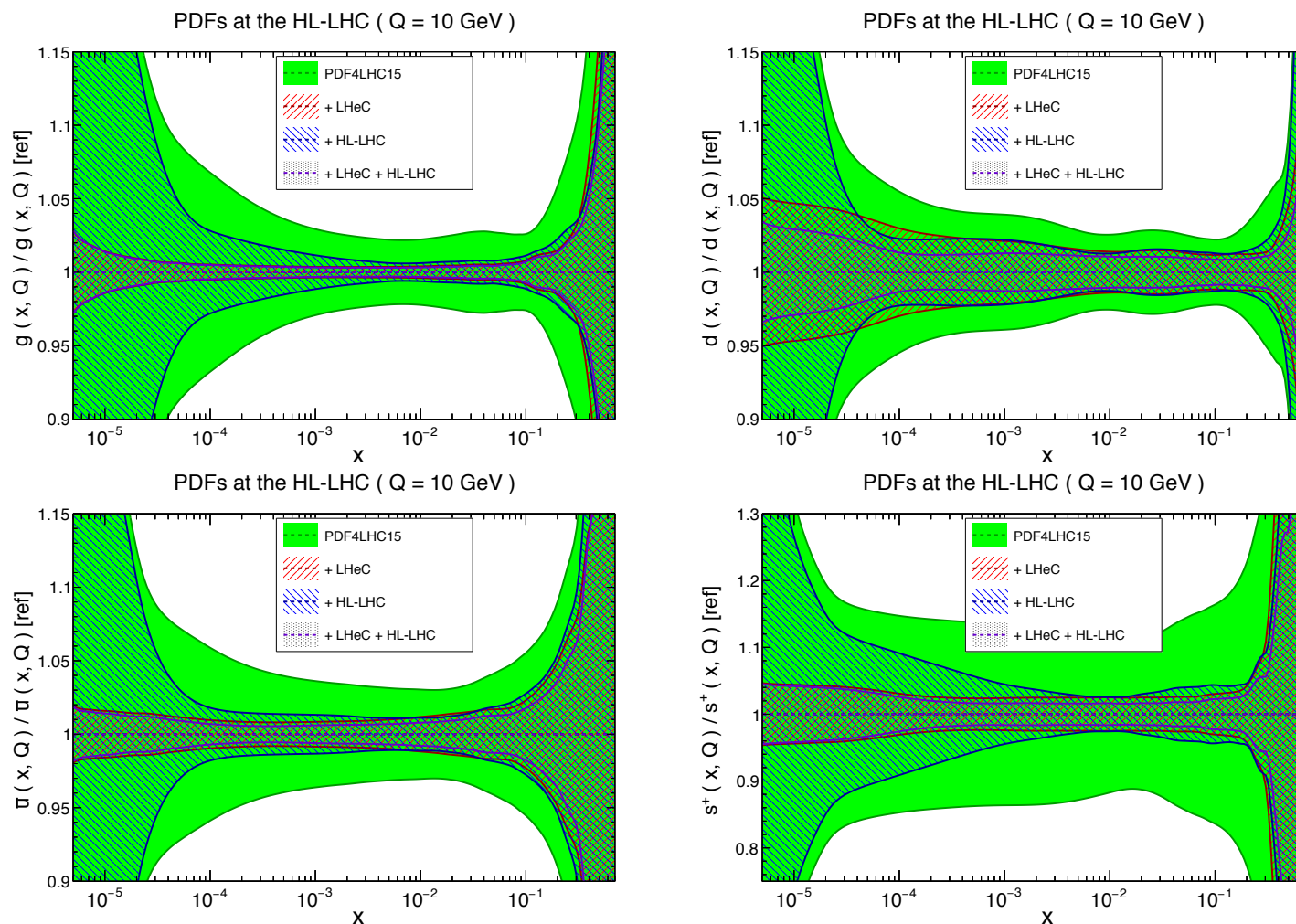
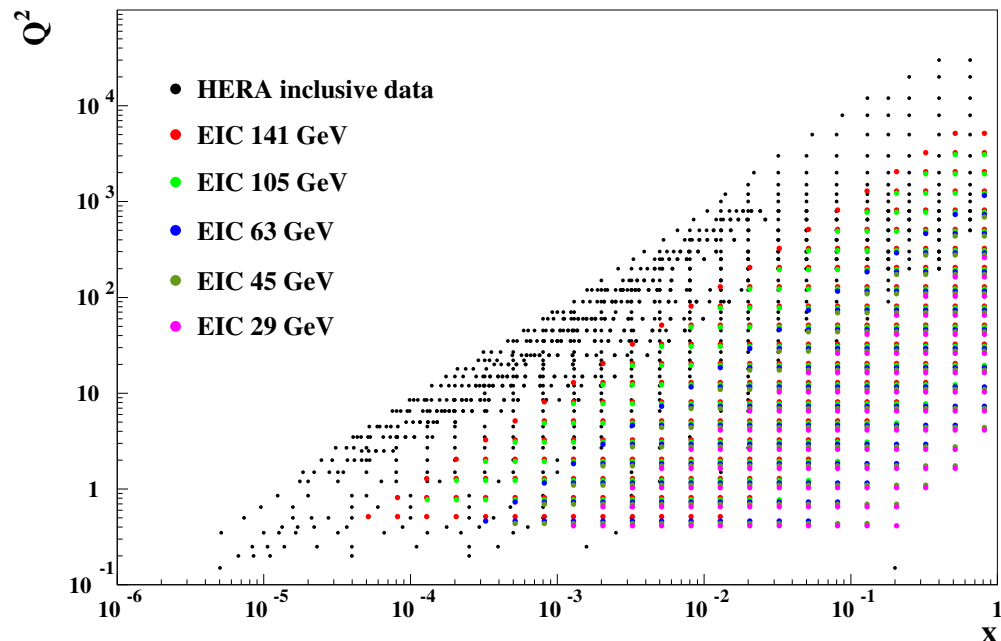


Figure 9.9: Impact of LHeC on the 1- σ relative PDF uncertainties of the gluon, down quark, anti-up quark and strangeness distributions, with respect to the PDF4LHC15 baseline set (green band). Results for the LHeC (red), the HL-LHC (blue) and their combination (violet) are shown.

PDFs at the EIC

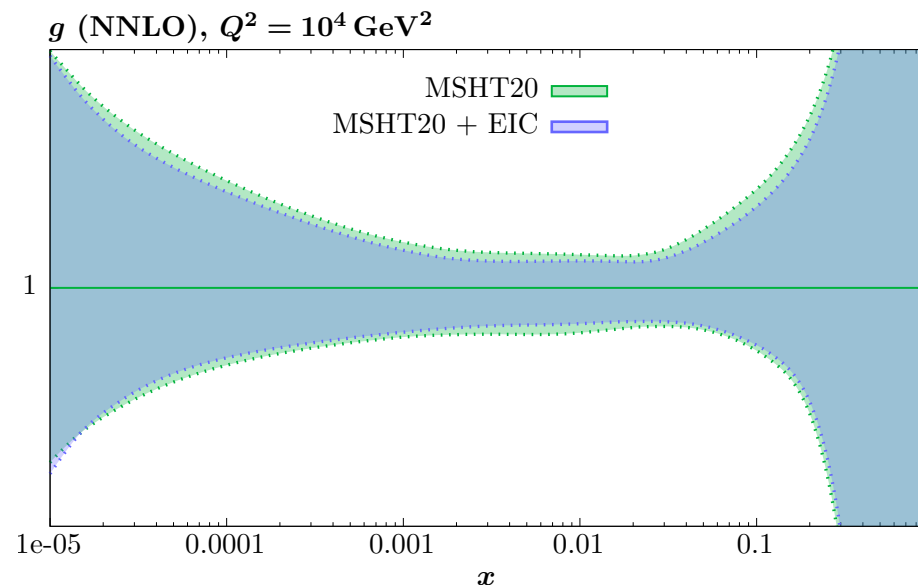
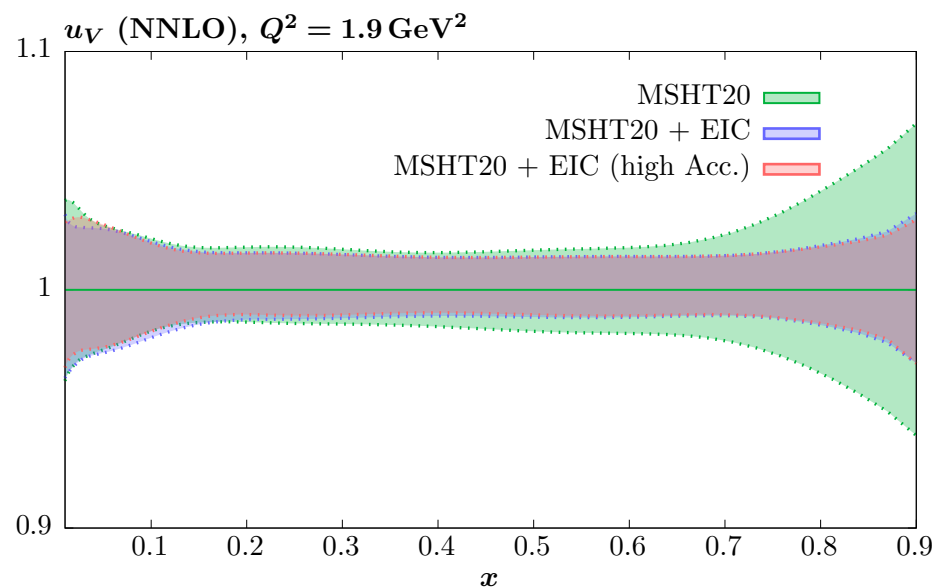
- **EIC** will be the first
 - **eA collider**
 - **High lumi ep collider**
 - **Polarised target collider**
- Detailed simulation work to optimise resolution throughout phase space → 5 bins per decade in x and Q^2
- Kinematic coverage: $Q^2 > 1$ GeV², $0.01 < y < 0.95$, $W > 3$ GeV
- Lower y accessible in principle, but easier to rely on overlaps between data at different \sqrt{s}

e-beam E	p-beam E	\sqrt{s} (GeV)	inte. Lumi. (fb ⁻¹)
18	275	140	15.4
10	275	105	100.0
10	100	63	79.0
5	100	45	61.0
5	41	29	4.4



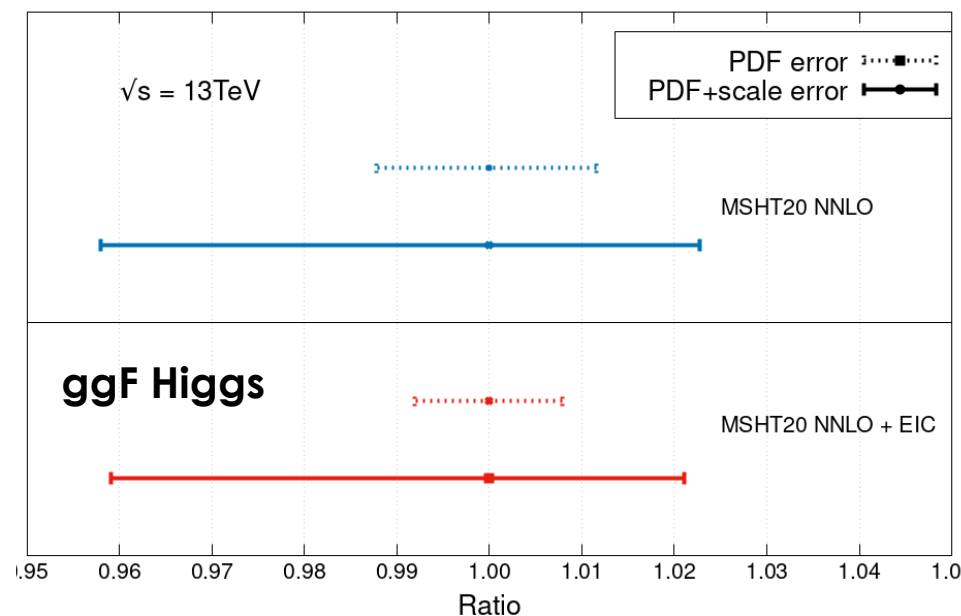
- Dominant sources at HERA were:
 - Electron energy scale (intermediate y)
 - Photoproduction background (high y)
 - Hadronic energy scale/noise (low y)
- **EIC will improve in all areas** – systematics assumptions in YR:
 - 1.5-2.5% point-to-point uncorrelated
 - 2.5% normalisation (uncorrelated between different \sqrt{s})

Impact of EIC on MSHT20



Small but valuable improvements
in all parton species at all (x, Q^2)

More in [Paul's talk](#) on Wednesday



Summary

- We are now in the middle of LHC Run 3... More and more data to be analysed soon!
- They will allow to:
 - Test precisely perturbative QCD
 - Measure fundamental parameters of the SM
 - Improve our understanding of PDFs
 - Provide important inputs to simulations
- Energy frontier ep/eA colliders essential for full exploitation of current and future hadron colliders - **all critical PDF information can be obtained!**
- Few aspects to work on:
 - Compute higher order corrections
 - Include correlations between different data sets might have few % effect ([EPJC 82 \(2022\) 5, 438](#)) – crucial if $O(1\%)$ is sought on PDF determination
 - More 'realistic' predictions for future colliders - real data always has tensions and non-Gaussian systematics
- Incredibly interesting time ahead... Stay tuned! 😊

Backup Slides



Factorisation theorem

$$\sigma(x, Q^2) = \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} C_i(z, \alpha_S(Q^2)) f_i\left(\frac{x}{z}, Q^2\right) = C_i \otimes f_i$$

Partonic cross sections:

- Process dependent
- High-scale (short-distance) objects
- Computable in perturbation theory (LO, NLO, NNLO, N³LO)

PDFs:

- Universal (process independent)
- Low-scale (long-distance) objects
- Non computable in perturbation theory
- Scale dependence perturbative (DGLAP)

➤ Once PDFs have been **determined at a given scale**, the **DGLAP** evolution equations can be used to **evolve them to any other scale**

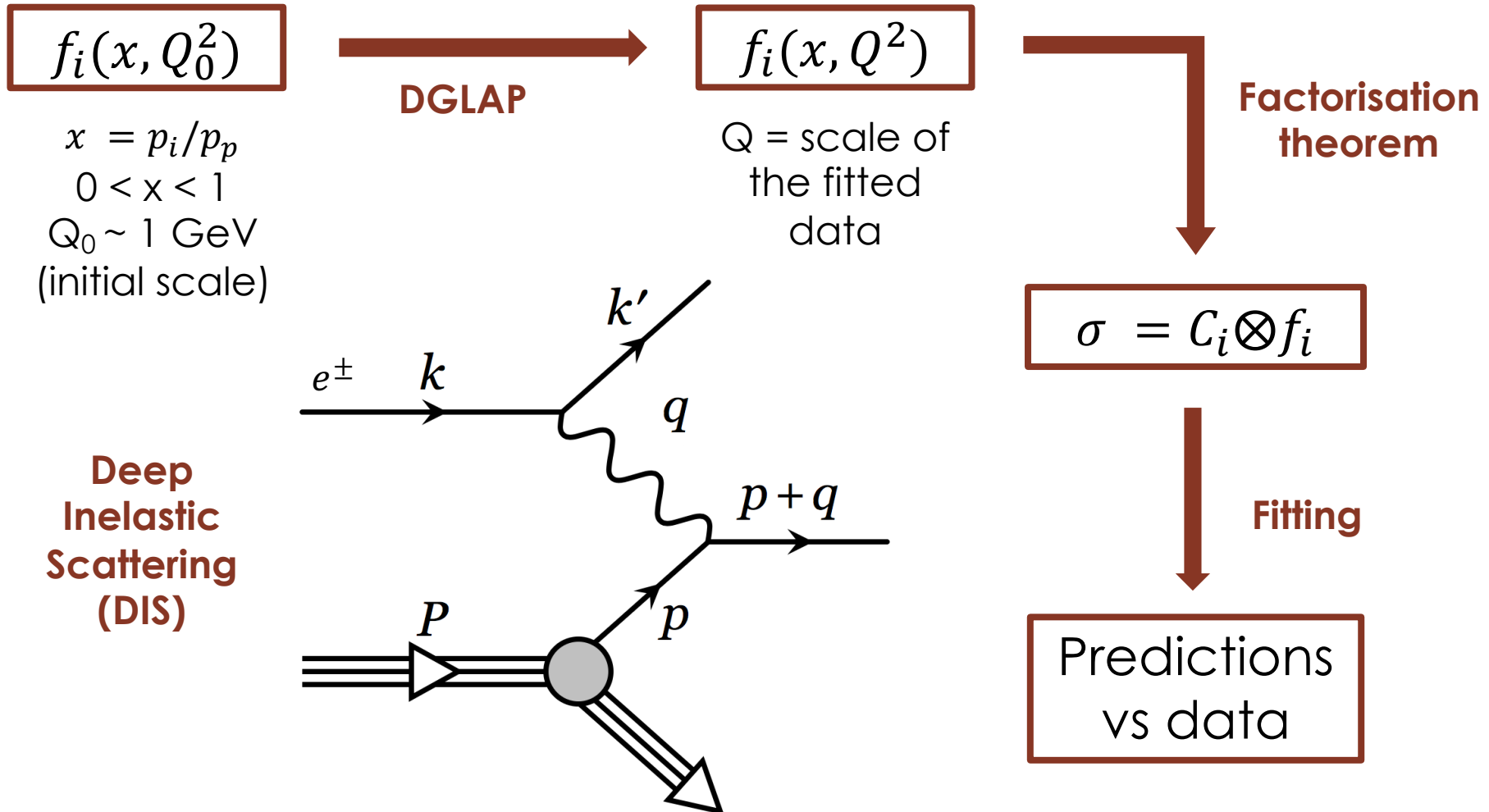
$$\mu^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu^2} f_i(\mu) = P_{ij} \otimes f_j(\mu)$$

$$P_{ij}(y) = \frac{\alpha_S(\mu)}{2\pi} P_{ij}^{(0)}(y) + \left(\frac{\alpha_S(\mu)}{2\pi}\right)^2 P_{ij}^{(1)}(y) + \dots$$

Splitting functions

How do we determine PDFs?

- Presently, the most accurate and reliable way is through **fits to data**



Measurement of $W +$ charmed hadron

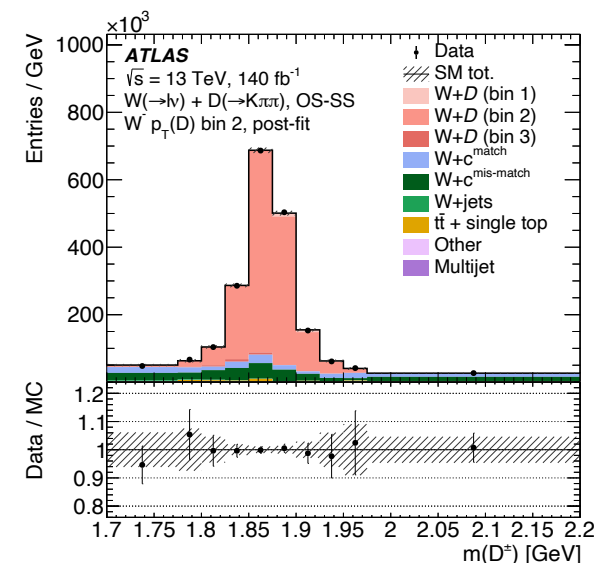
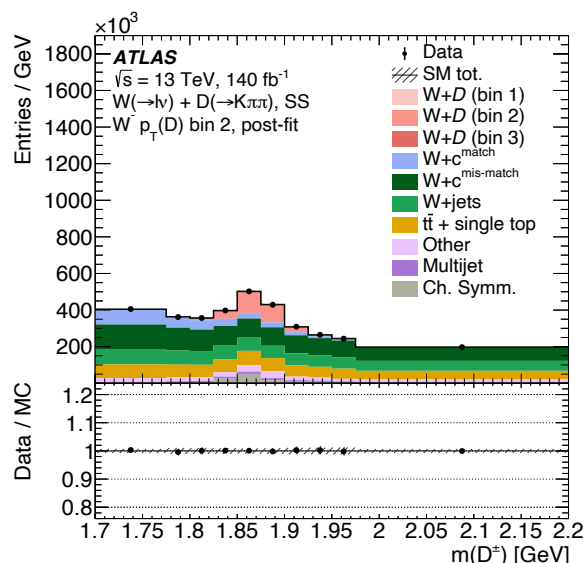
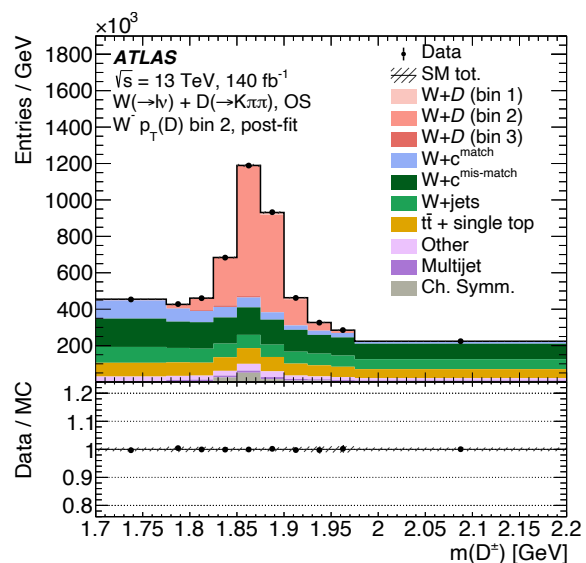
- Main backgrounds:
 - $W + c^{\text{match}}$: tracks in SV belong to different c-hadron or decay mode
 - $W + c^{\text{mis-match}}$: not all tracks belong to $D^{\pm(*)}$ candidate
 - $W +$ jets: no track belong to $D^{\pm(*)}$ candidate
 - Top constrained in data region with ≥ 1 b-jet
 - Multijet from fake-enriched region in data

Backgrounds

$Z +$ jets	SHERPA 2.2.11	0-2j@NLO+3-5j@LO	NNPDF3.0NNLO	SHERPA	Default	SHERPA
$t\bar{t}$	POWHEG BOX v2	NLO	NNPDF3.0NLO	PYTHIA 8	A14	EVTGEN
Single- t , Wt	POWHEG BOX v2	NLO	NNPDF3.0NLO	PYTHIA 8	A14	EVTGEN
Single- t , t -channel	POWHEG BOX v2	NLO	NNPDF3.0NLO	PYTHIA 8	A14	EVTGEN
Single- t , s -channel	POWHEG BOX v2	NLO	NNPDF3.0NLO	PYTHIA 8	A14	EVTGEN
$t\bar{t}V$	AMC@NLO	NLO	NNPDF3.0NLO	PYTHIA 8	A14	EVTGEN
Diboson fully leptonic	SHERPA 2.2.2	0-1j@NLO+2-3j@LO	NNPDF3.0NNLO	SHERPA	Default	SHERPA
Diboson hadronic	SHERPA 2.2.1	0-1j@NLO+2-3j@LO	NNPDF3.0NNLO	SHERPA	Default	SHERPA

Measurement of W + charmed hadron

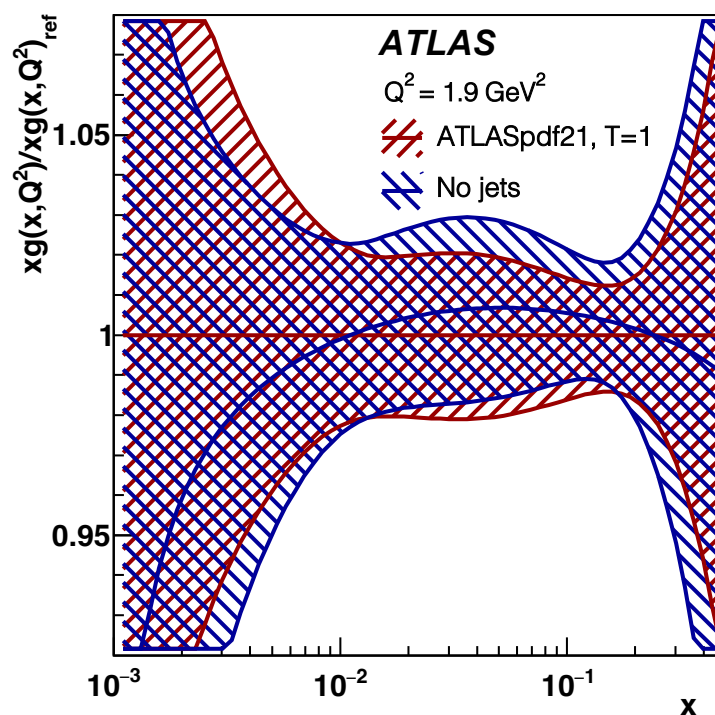
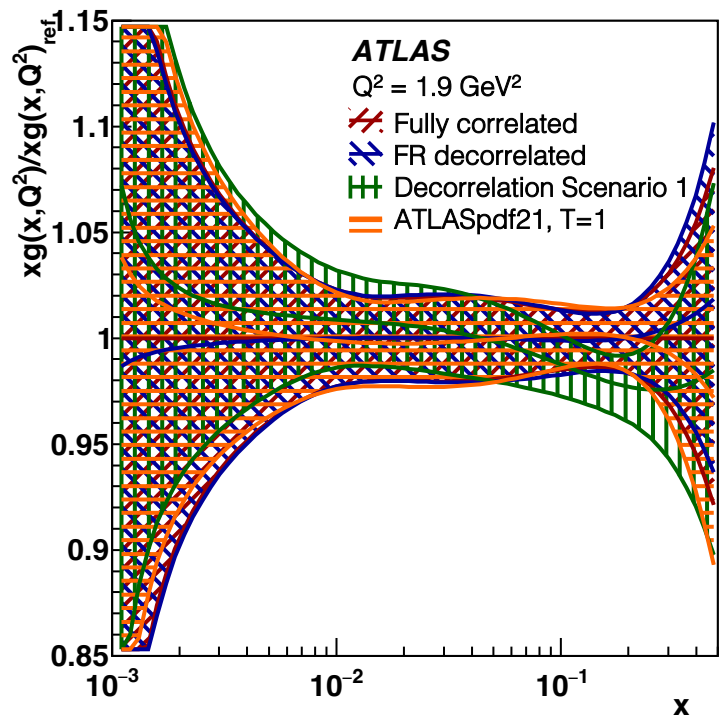
- Signal events have opposite-sign (OS) W boson and D meson
- Backgrounds mostly charge-symmetric, suppressed by subtracting same-sign (SS) events
- **Binned profile likelihood fit** of OS and SS $m(D^{(*)})$ template
- $m(D^{(*)})$ fit at particle level in bins of $p_T(D^{(*)})$ and $|\eta_l|$
- Simultaneous fit to **SS and OS templates**, extract signal cross sections in a background-subtracted OS-SS region



Talking about inclusive jets

- Different model to treat correlated systematics: [EPJ C82 \(2022\) 5, 438](#)
 - keeping them fully correlated
 - decorrelating the Jets Flavour Response (FR) between rapidity bins
 - Two decorrelation scenarios as recommended in the [8 TeV jet paper](#)
- This affects the χ^2 but has little effect on the PDFs

jets 8 TeV R=0.6	Fully Correlated	FR Decorrelated	Decorrelation Scenario 1	Decorrelation Scenario 2
χ^2/NDP	289/171	227/171	250/171	248/171



Marginal shape change of the gluon PDF (blue to red) and **very substantial decrease in its high-x uncertainty**

Inclusive photon production

JETPHOX (fixed order)

- Full fixed-order NLO pQCD calculations for direct and fragmentation processes
- Scales: $\mu_R = \mu_F = \mu_f = E_T^\gamma/2$ (E_T^γ)
- Fragmentation functions: BFG II
- PDFs: MMHT2014, CT18, NNPDF3.1, and HERAPDF2.0 at NLO; ATLASpdf21 at NNLO
- Isolation: fixed cone at parton level
- Non-perturbative corrections: estimated using PYTHIA samples. Consistent with unity within $\pm 1\%$ (no correction applied)

SHERPA NLO (multi-leg merged)

- Parton-level calculations for $\gamma + 1,2$ (3,4) jets at NLO (LO) supplemented with PS
- Only direct contribution (Frixione's isolation at ME level)
- Scales: dynamic scale setting (E_T^γ)
- PDFs: NNPDF3.0 NNLO
- Fragmentation into hadrons and UE simulated as for SHERPA LO
- Isolation: fixed cone at particle level

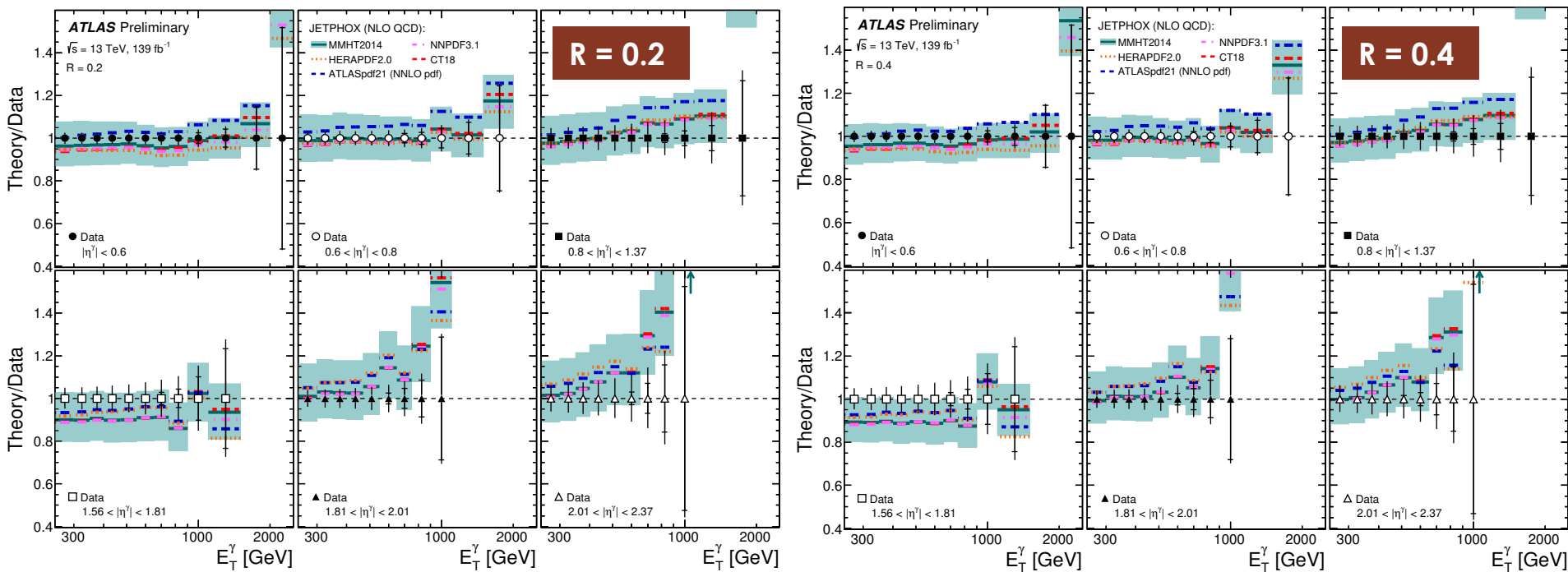
NNLOJET (fixed order)

- Full fixed-order NNLO pQCD calculations for direct and fragmentation processes
 - Scales: $\mu_R = \mu_F = E_T^\gamma$
- $$\mu_f = \sqrt{E_T^\gamma \cdot E_T^{\max}} \cdot R$$
- Fragmentation functions: BFG II
 - PDFs: CT18 NNLO
 - Isolation: fixed cone at parton level
 - Non-perturbative corrections: same estimation as for JETPHOX

- Theoretical uncertainties: scale variations ($\mu_R, \mu_F \cdot 0.5, 2$ varied singly or simultaneously), μ_f (fragmentation scale) PDFs, α_S , non-perturbative corrections (only JETPHOX and NNLOJET)
- NNLOJET scale uncertainties reduced by more than a factor of 2 wrt NLO calculations of JETPHOX and SHERPA

Inclusive photon production

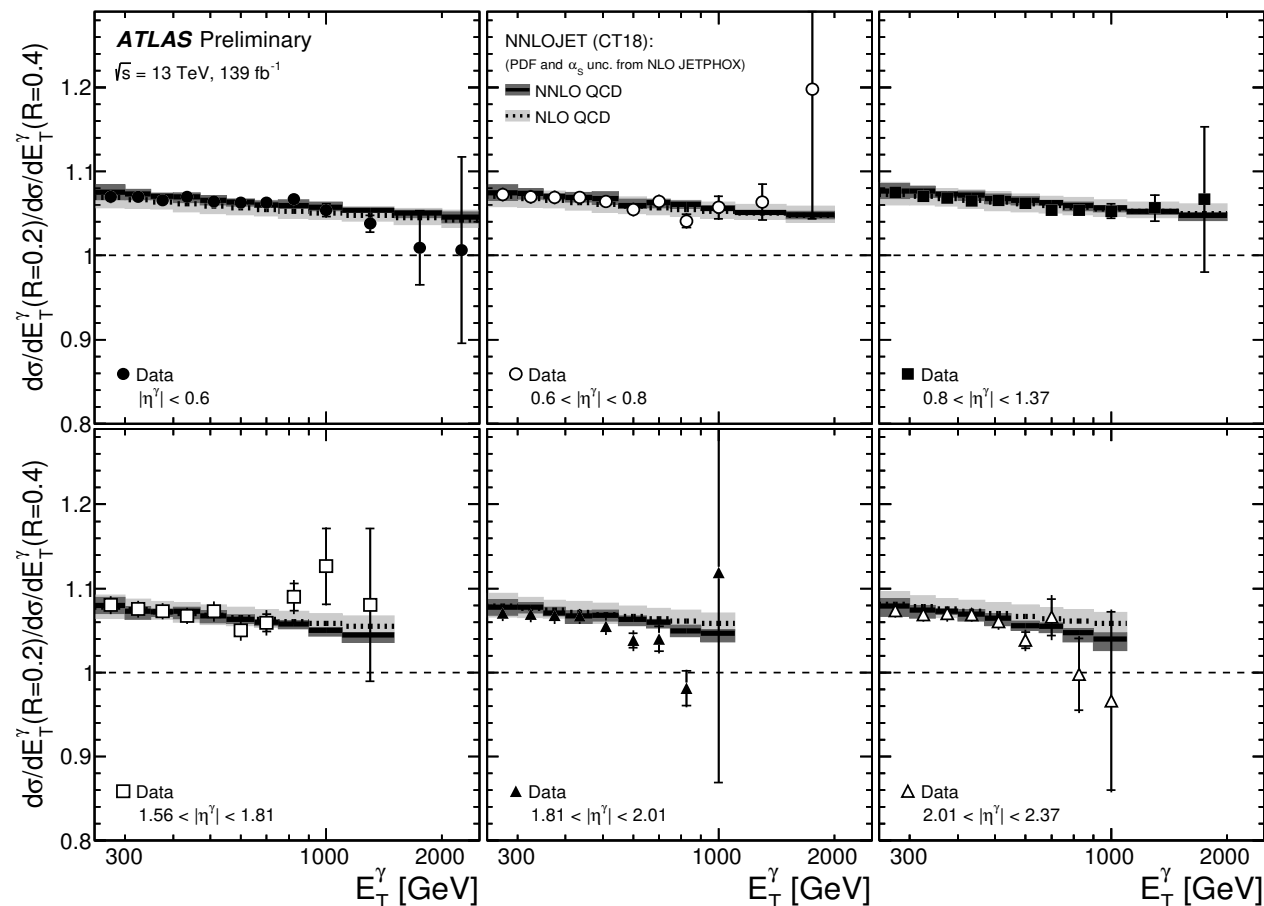
- The NLO pQCD predictions of JETPHOX compared to the measured differential cross sections as functions of E_T^γ in different $|\eta^\gamma|$ regions
- Several PDFs: MMHT14, CT18, NNPDF3.1, HERAPDF2.0 and ATLASpdf21



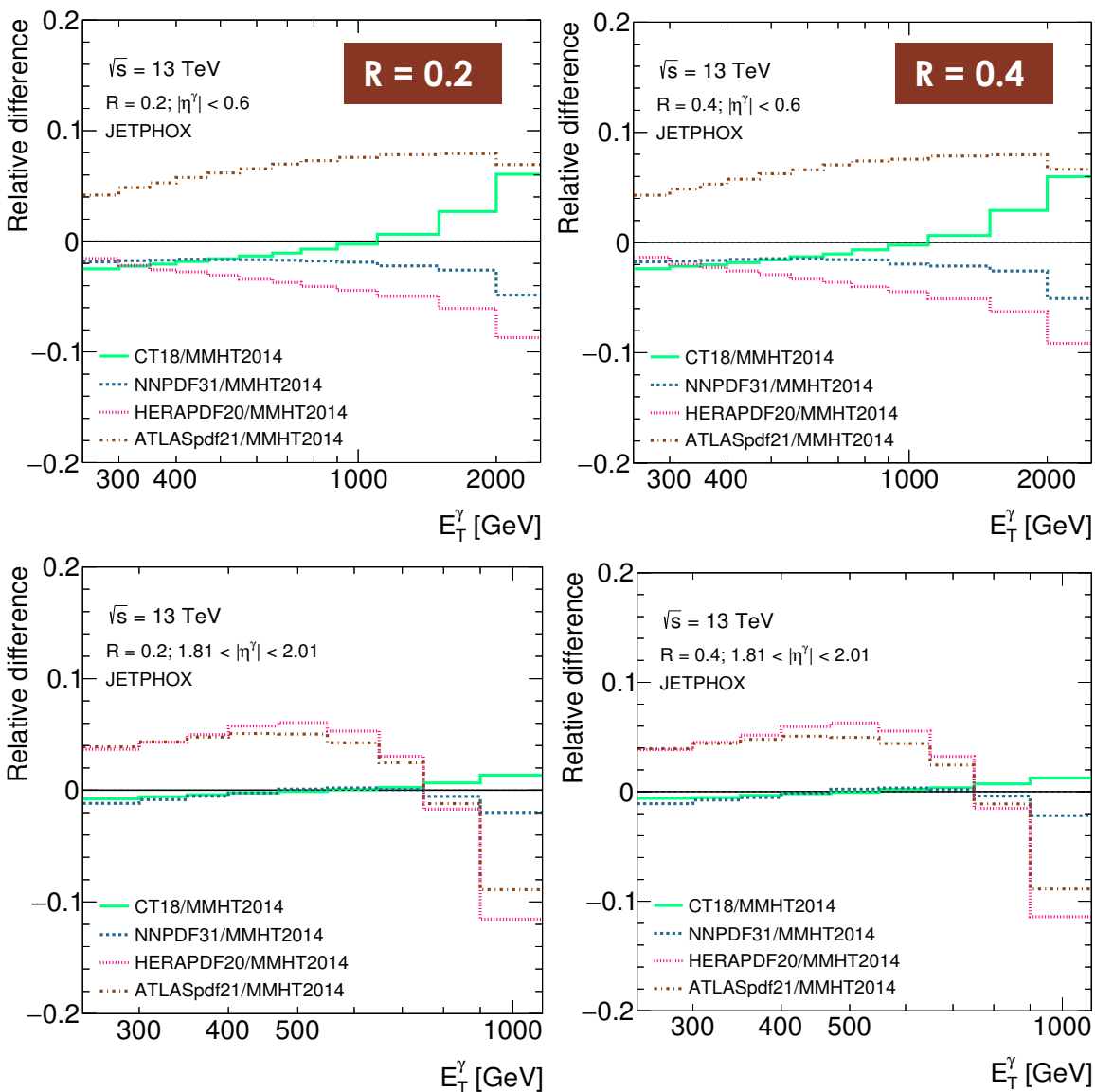
- Adequate description of the data within experimental and theoretical uncertainties

Inclusive photon production

- Ratios of differential cross sections for $R = 0.2, 0.4$ as functions of E_T^γ in the different $|\eta_\gamma|$ regions
- These measurements provide a stringent test of pQCD (systematics at $\sim 1\%$ -level)
- Nice overall data/MC agreement



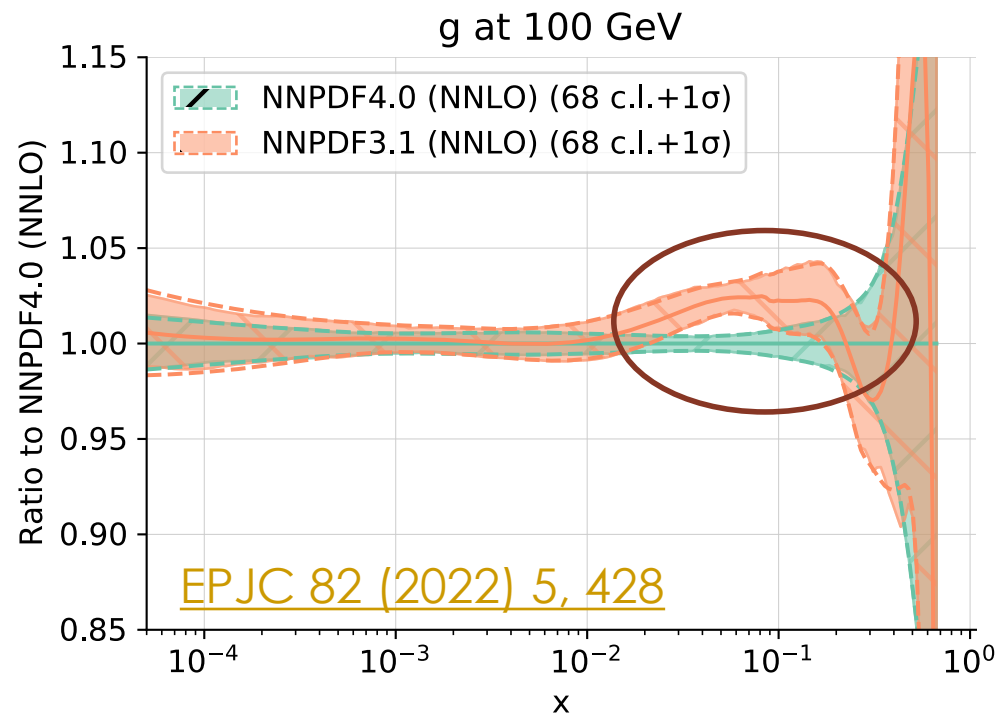
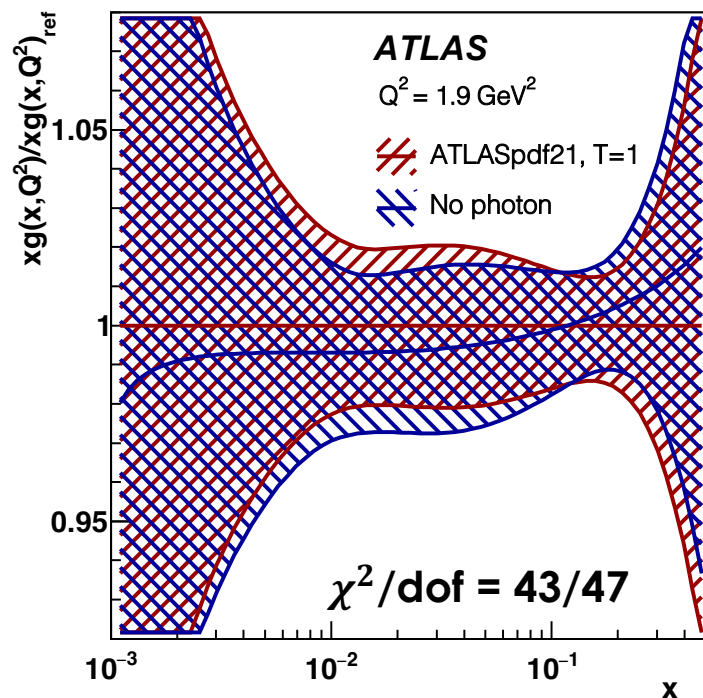
Inclusive photon production



- The sensitivity to the PDFs investigated by comparing based on different PDFs
- MMHT14 as baseline
- Predictions based on the CT18/NNPDF3.1 are within 2%
- Predictions based on the HERAPDF2.0/ATLASpdf21 show differences of $\sim 10\%$

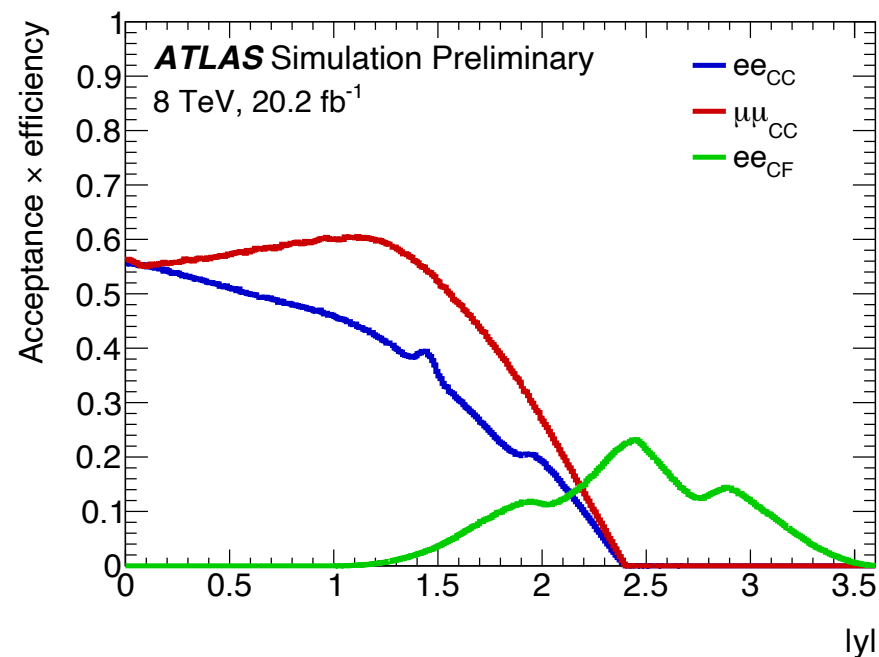
Impact of the photon data sets on PDFs

- **ATLASpdf21** is a PDF fit to **multiple ATLAS data sets** - [EPJC 82 \(2022\) 5, 438](#)
- We removed all the **13/8 TeV isolated photon ratio data** - [JHEP 04 \(2019\) 093](#)
- This results in a marginal softening of the high-x gluon (blue to red), no decreased uncertainty – confirmed in NNPDF4.0 studies (much more data in!)
- These data do not have a large impact on PDFs... but very good to know that NNLO predictions describe these data nicely!



Z p_T and rapidity at 8 TeV

- Stringent test of the state-of-art pQCD
- Probe large rapidity/small parton momentum fraction x using forward electrons
- Unique full lepton phase space rapidity cross section with per-mille total uncertainties to provide a gateway to a rich field of precise interpretations

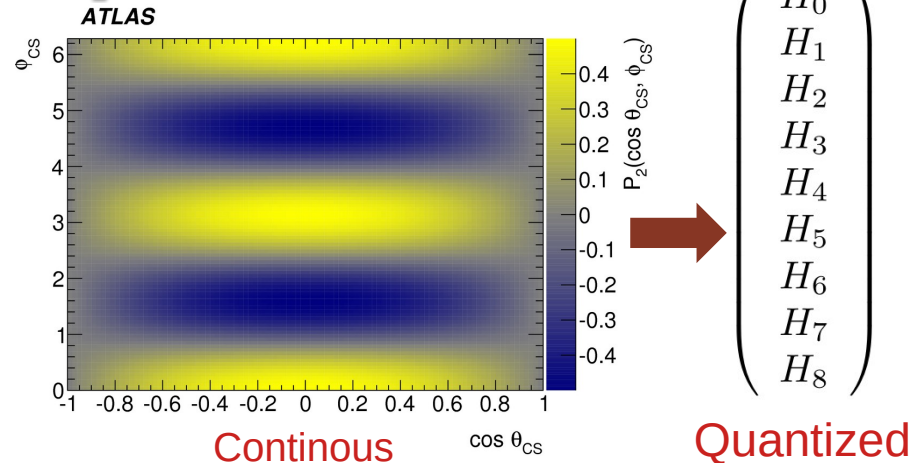


- ee_{CC}: two electrons with $p_T > 20$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.4$
- μμ_{CC}: two muons with $p_T > 20$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.4$
- ee_{CF}: central electron with $p_T > 20$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.4$ forward electron with $p_T > 20$ GeV and $2.5 < |\eta| < 4.9$

Z p_T and rapidity at 8 TeV

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_T dq} = \frac{d^3\sigma^{U+L}}{dp_T dy dm} \left(1 + \cos^2\theta + \sum_{i=0}^7 A_i(y, p_T, m) P_i(\cos\theta, \phi) \right)$$

- $d\sigma/dp_T \rightarrow$ Transverse dynamics
- $d\sigma/dy \rightarrow$ longitudinal dynamics (PDFs)
- Depends on 3 “boson production” variables (p_T, y, m) and 2 angular decay variables ($\cos\theta, \phi$)
- Decomposition of $(\cos\theta, \phi)$ into 9 helicity cross sections \rightarrow basis of spherical harmonics



- Measuring the $A_i \rightarrow$ a quantized representation of the $(\cos\theta, \phi)$ kinematic space
- **Very powerful:** trade systematics for statistics
- **Very useful:** provide analytic extrapolation of lepton cuts and enables a richer interpretation programme

Expected Yield

Reco ($p_T, y^2, m^2, \cos\theta, \phi$) bin

$$N_{\text{exp}}^n(A, \sigma, \theta) = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{N_{\text{bins}}^{ana}} \mathcal{L}_{\sigma_j}^n \left[t_{8j}^n(\beta) + \sum_{i=0}^7 A_{ij} t_{ij}^n(\beta) \right] \right\} \gamma^n + \sum_B T_B^n(\beta)$$

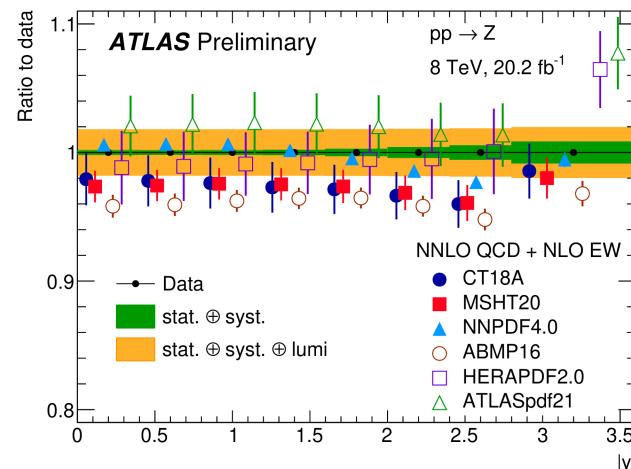
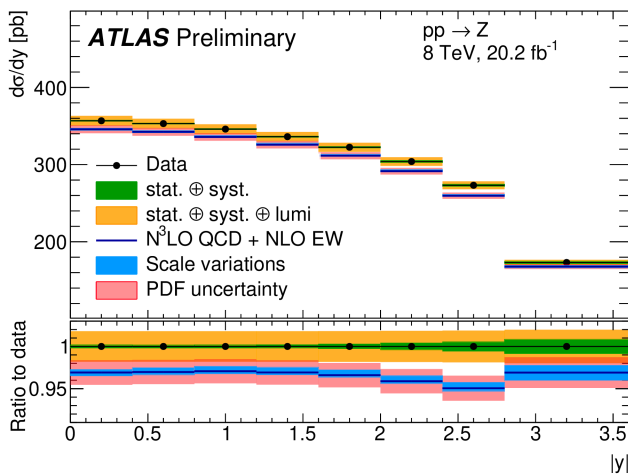
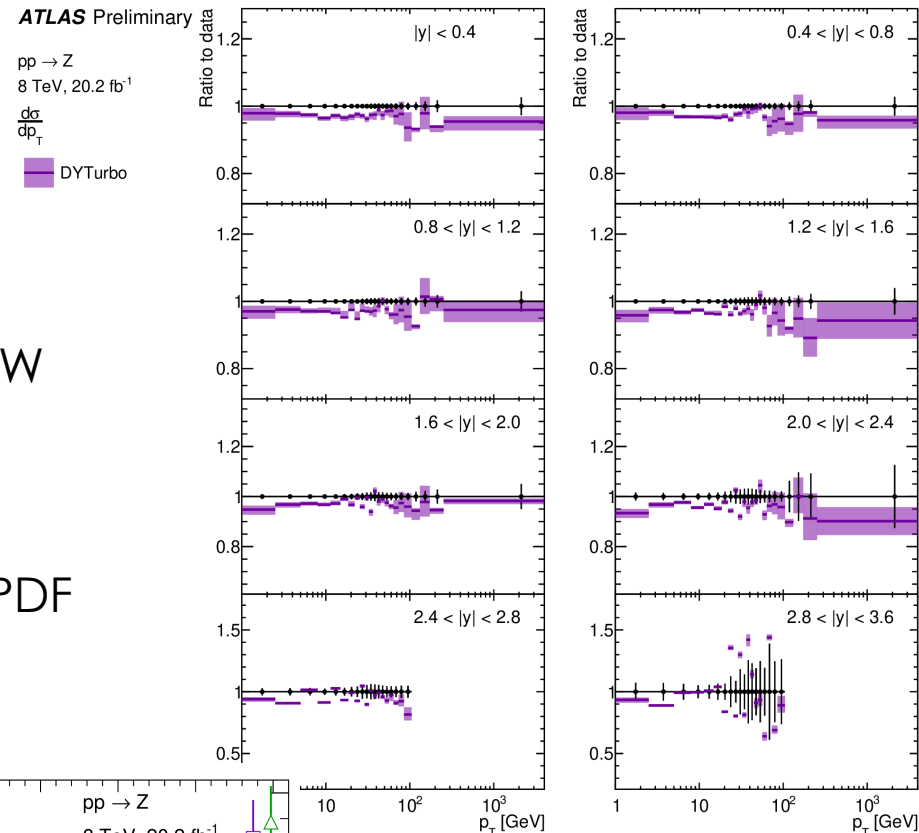
Truth (p_T, y^2, m^2) bin
Cross section
Angular coefficient
Templated polynomial

Background template bkg

- Likelihood defined in 22528 $(\cos\theta, \phi, p_T)$ bins
- **Pol:** 8 A_i + 1 cross section in 176 (p_T, y) bins

Z p_T and rapidity at 8 TeV

- Per mille level precision in the central region
- Sub-percent precision up to $|y| < 3.6$
- First comparison to N³LO QCD + NLO EW predictions (DYTurbo + ReneSANCe)
- Allow precise PDF interpretations with QCD scale uncertainties smaller than PDF uncertainties



**Good agreement
with several high-
order q \bar{q} -resummed
predictions**

α_s extraction from Z p_T at 8 TeV

correlated
systematic
uncertainties

$$\chi^2(\beta_{\text{exp}}, \beta_{\text{th}}) =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{data}}} \frac{\left(\sigma_i^{\text{exp}} + \sum_j \Gamma_{ij}^{\text{exp}} \beta_{j,\text{exp}} - \sigma_i^{\text{th}} - \sum_k \Gamma_{ik}^{\text{th}} \beta_{k,\text{th}} \right)^2}{\Delta_i^2} + \sum_j \beta_{j,\text{exp}}^2 + \sum_k \beta_{k,\text{th}}^2$$

uncorrelated
systematic
uncertainties

- Evaluate $\chi^2(\alpha_s)$ with α_s variations in LHAPDF
 - Include experimental ($\beta_{j,\text{exp}}$) and PDF uncertainties ($\beta_{k,\text{th}}$) in the $\chi^2(\alpha_s)$ definition
 - For each value of α_s , $\beta_{k,\text{th}}$ terms explore the PDF space to find the best fit to Z p_T data
 - aN³LO MSHT20 PDF set is used for the α_s extraction

➤ Fit Z $p_T < 29$ GeV region

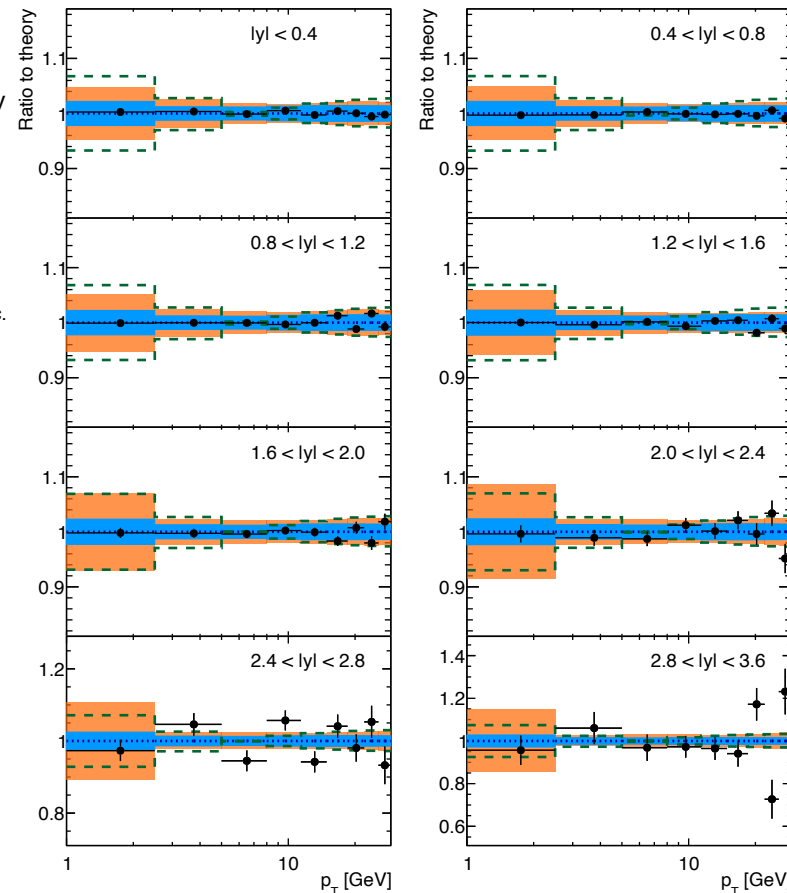
- Non-perturbative form factor (affecting Z $p_T < 5$ GeV) is added with unconstrained nuisance parameter
- $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ extracted by fitting the **2D (p_T , y) cross section** in full lepton phase space

➤ $\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 82/72$

ATLAS Preliminary

pp \rightarrow Z
8 TeV, 20.2 fb⁻¹

• Data
⋯ Post-fit
■ PDF unc.
■ PDF \oplus Theory unc.
- - $\alpha_s(m_Z) \pm 0.002$

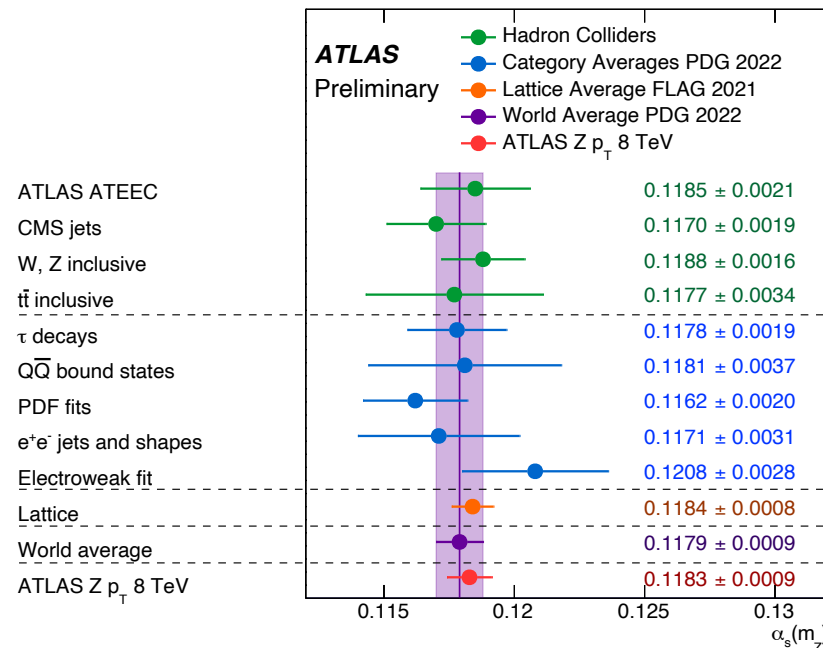
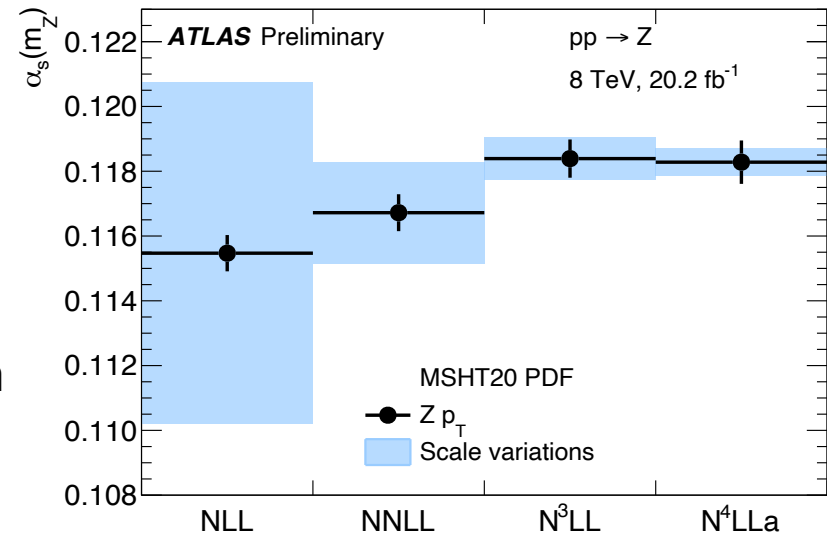


α_S extraction from Z p_T at 8 TeV

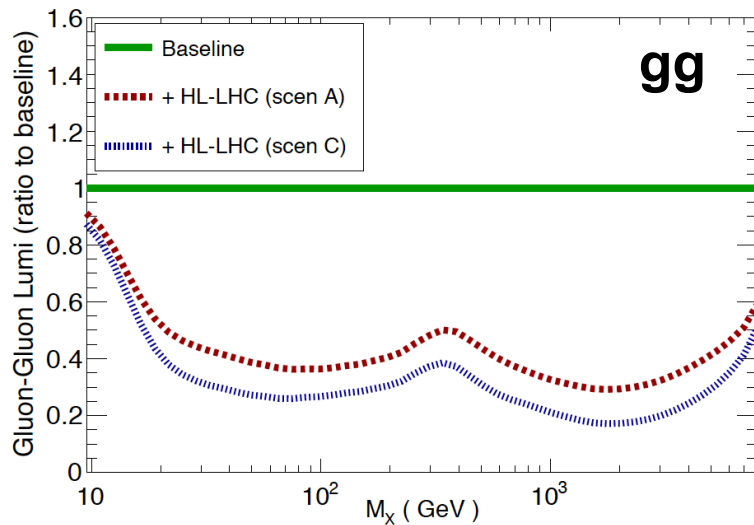
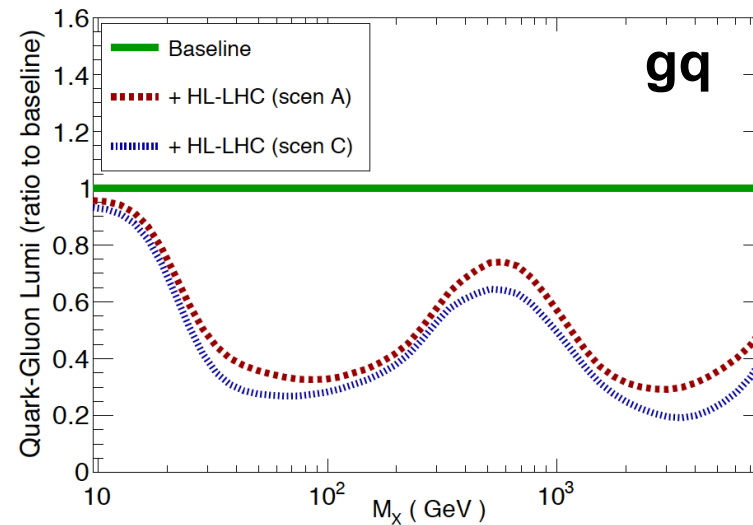
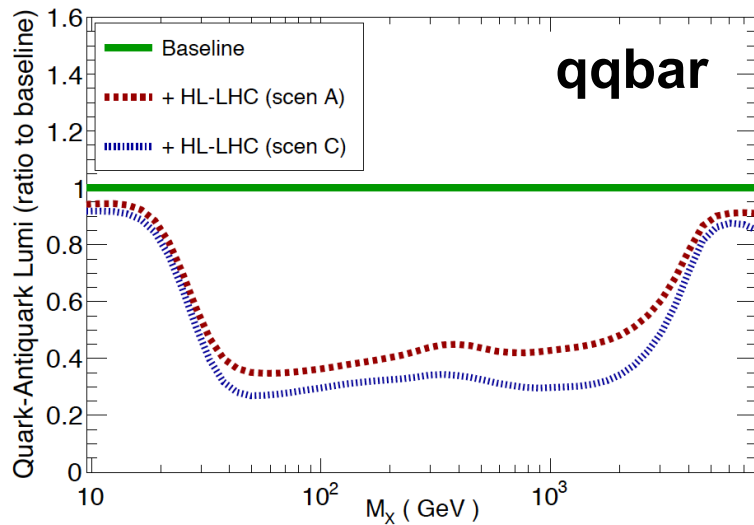
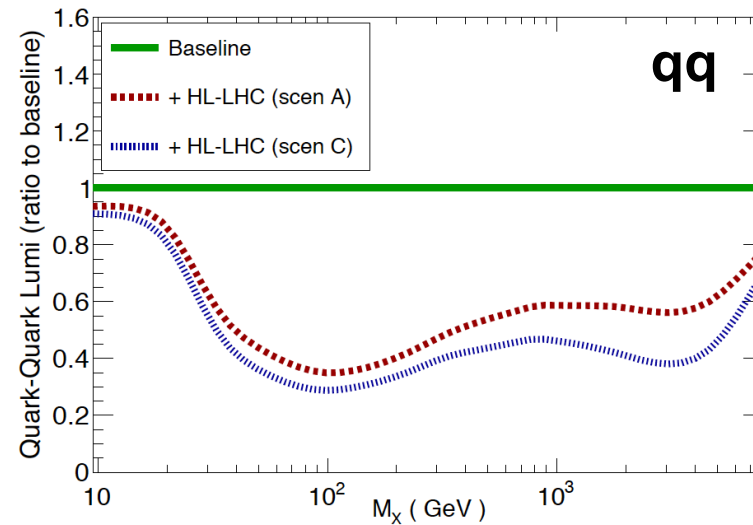
- **First $\alpha_S(m_Z)$ determination based on aN⁴LL+N³LO predictions**
- $\alpha_S(m_Z)$ determined at lower orders → good perturbative series convergence
- **Most precise experimental determination of $\alpha_S(m_Z)$**
- As precise as the PDG and Lattice WA

Experimental uncertainty	+0.00044	-0.00044
PDF uncertainty	+0.00051	-0.00051
Scale variations uncertainties	+0.00042	-0.00042
Matching to fixed order	0	-0.00008
Non-perturbative model	+0.00012	-0.00020
Flavour model	+0.00021	-0.00029
QED ISR	+0.00014	-0.00014
N4LL approximation	+0.00004	-0.00004
Total	+0.00084	-0.00088

$$\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.11828^{+0.00084}_{-0.00088}$$



HL-LHC PDFs

Uncertainties in PDF luminosities @ $\sqrt{s}=14$ TeVUncertainties in PDF luminosities @ $\sqrt{s}=14$ TeVUncertainties in PDF luminosities @ $\sqrt{s}=14$ TeVUncertainties in PDF luminosities @ $\sqrt{s}=14$ TeV

Combining HL-LHC and LHeC

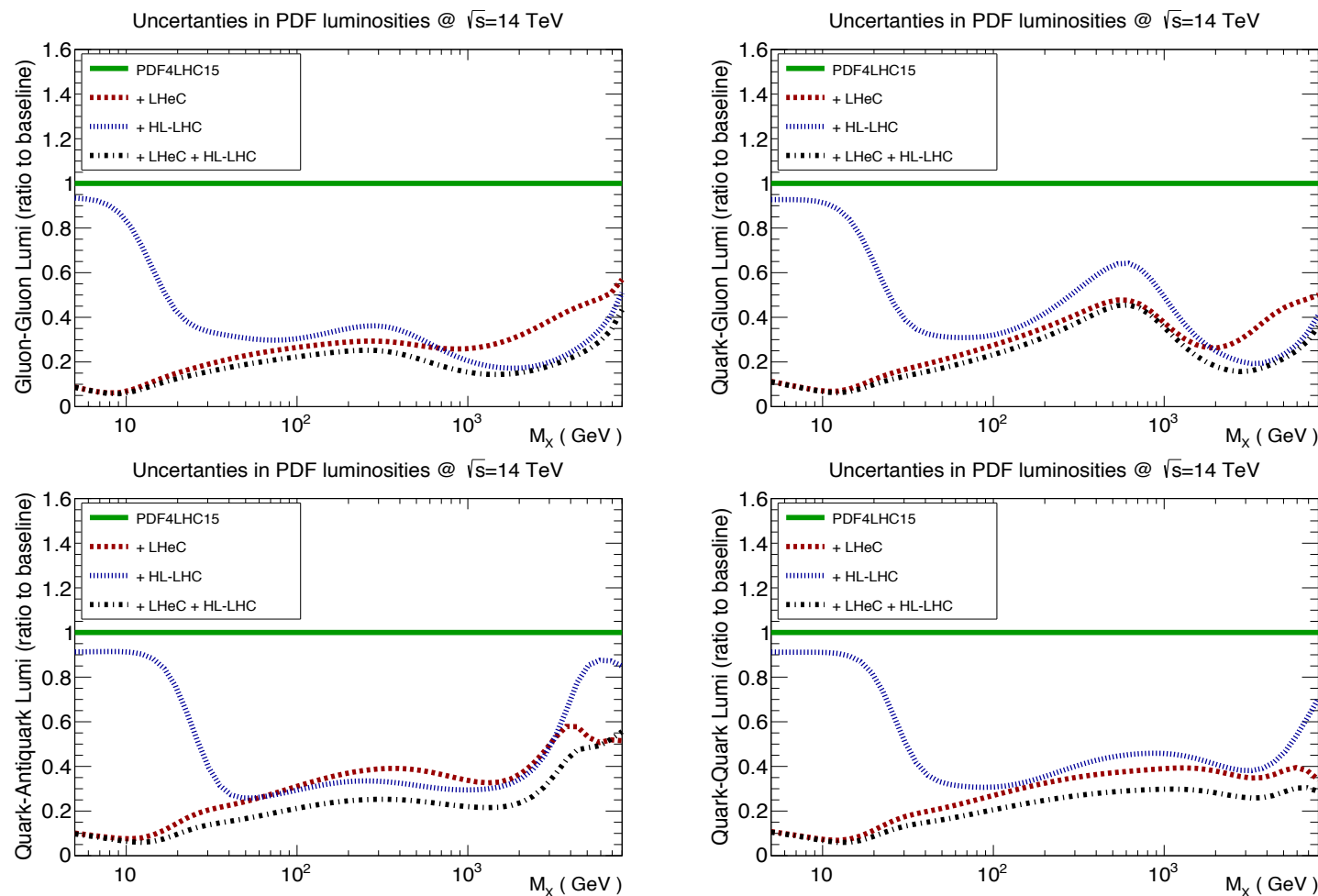
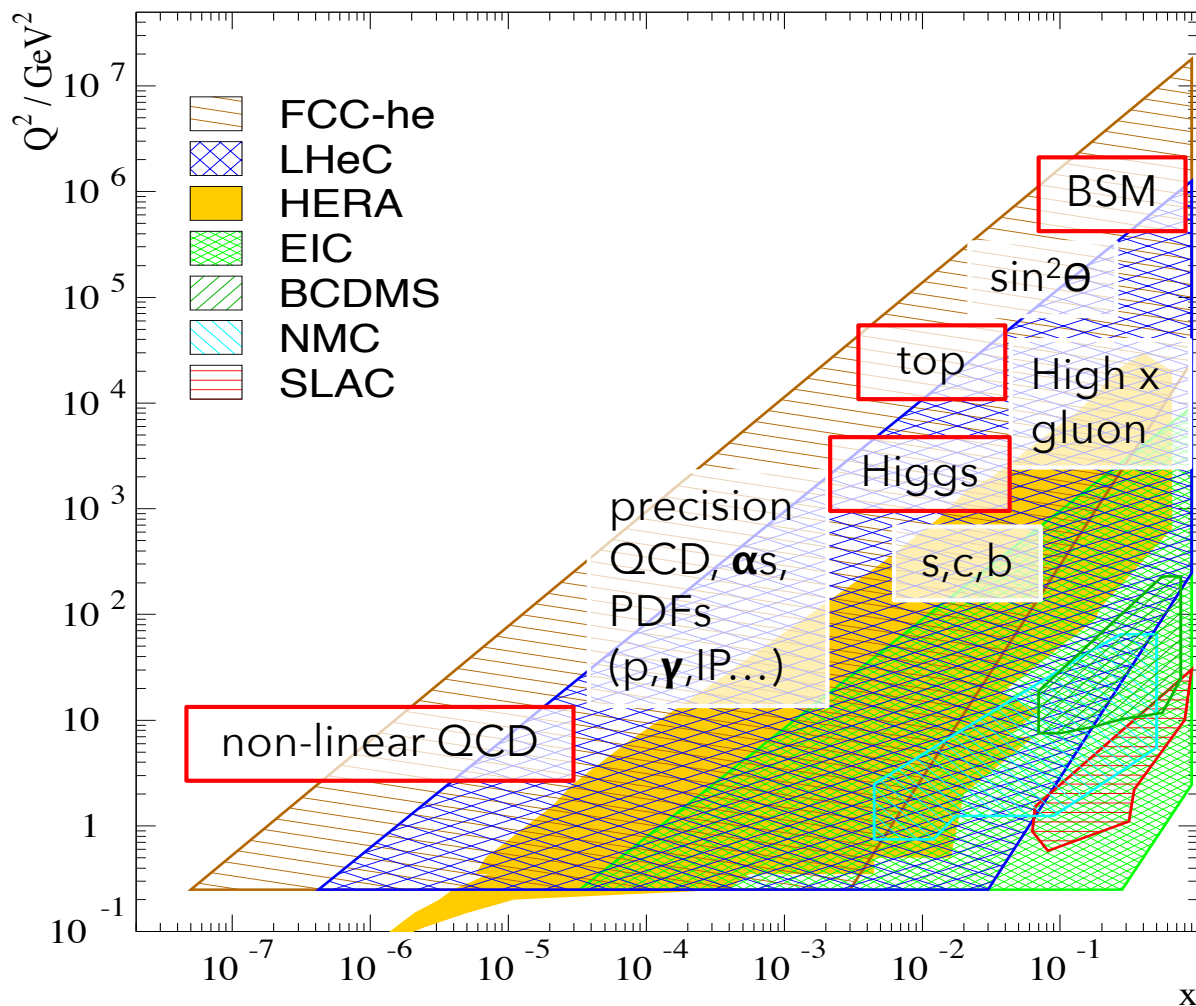


Figure 9.10: Impact of LHeC, HL-LHC and combined LHeC + HL-LHC pseudodata on the uncertainty of the gluon-gluon, quark-gluon, quark-antiquark and quark-quark luminosities, with respect to the PDF4LHC15 baseline set. In this comparison we display the relative reduction of the PDF uncertainty in the luminosities compared to the baseline.

Physics with energy frontier DIS

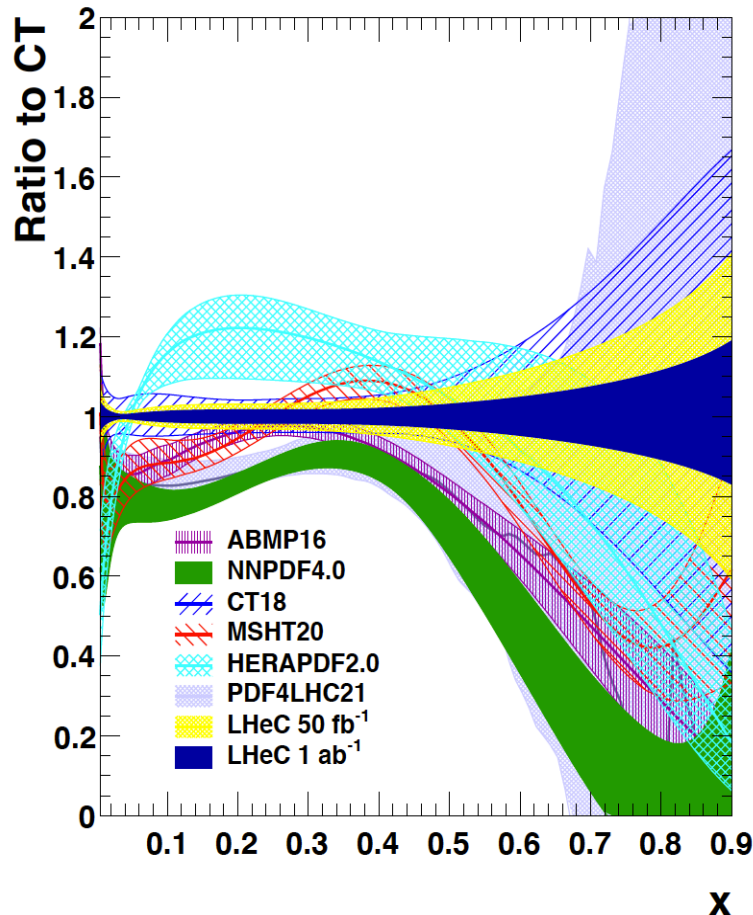


x15/120 extension in Q^2 , $1/x$ reach wrt HERA

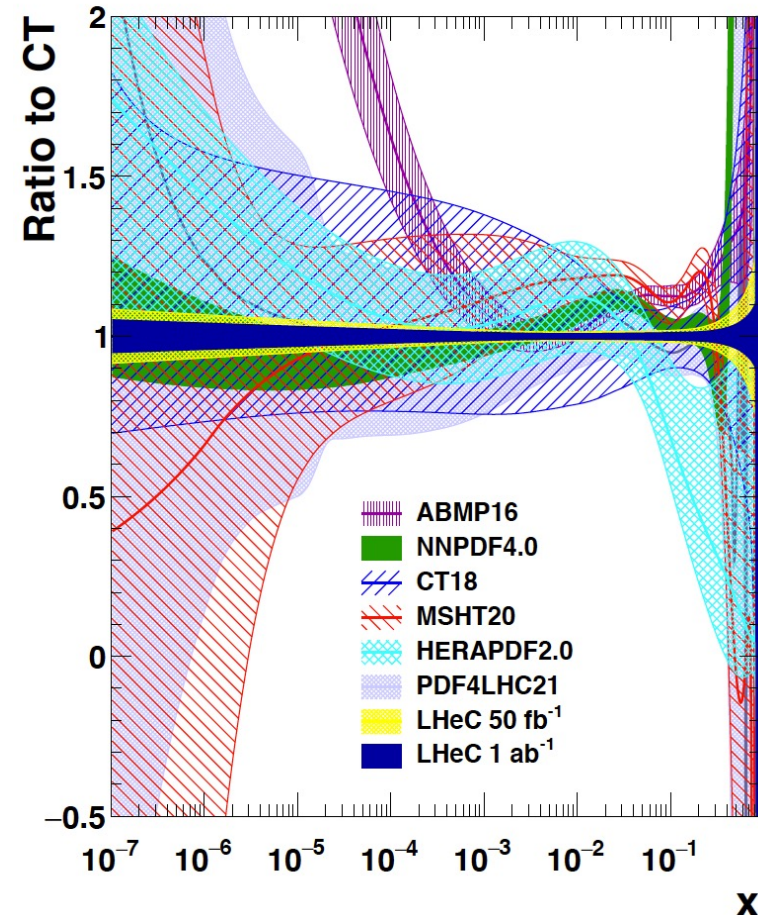
- DIS: cleanest high-resolution microscope
- **Opportunity for unprecedented increase in DIS kinematic reach**
- $\times 10^3$ luminosity increase wrt HERA
- QCD precision physics and discovery
- ...+ Higgs, top EW, BSM
- Completely resolve all proton PDFs, sensitivity to $x \rightarrow 1$, exploration of small-x regime, and α_s at per-mille level
- Empowering the HL-LHC and FCC-hh

Valence and sea quarks PDFs

down valence distribution at $Q^2 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$



Dbar distribution at $Q^2 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$



- Uncertainty on the high- x d_v largely reduced
- **Reduction of the PDF error in the low- x region is visible** – particularly remarkable for sea quarks

Impact of EIC on HERAPDF

- 'DIS-only' fits
- Using [xFitter framework](#)
- HERA data have limited high- x sensitivity due to kinematic correlation between x, Q^2 and $1/Q^4$ factor in cross section
- Fractional total uncertainties w/wo EIC data along with HERA
- Linear x scale
- **EIC data** will bring **significant reduction in uncertainties for all parton species at large x**

