

# Forward heavy quark production

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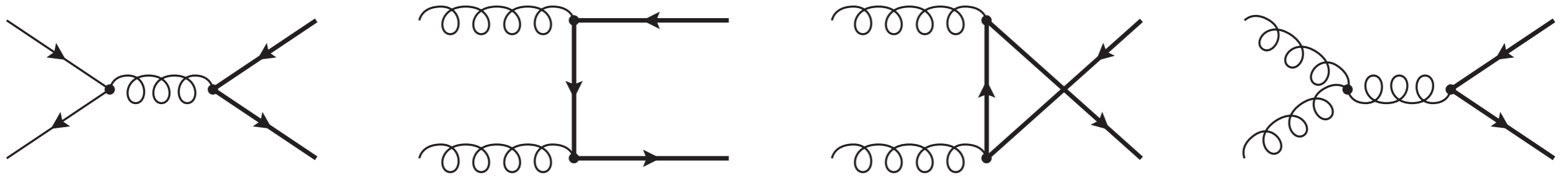
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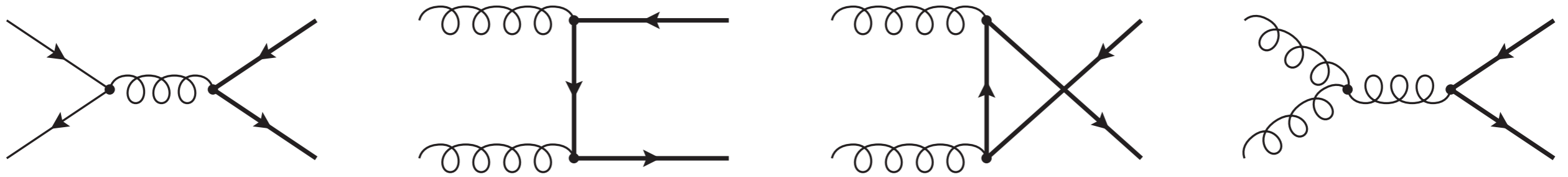
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$$x_{1,(2)} = \frac{m_T}{\sqrt{S}} \left( e^{(-)y_3} + e^{(-)y_4} \right)$$

LHCb detector provides unique information

1. Can reconstruct D/B hadrons from  $p_T > 0$  ( $m_T \sim m_Q$ )
2. Forward LHCb acceptance extends kinematic sensitivity

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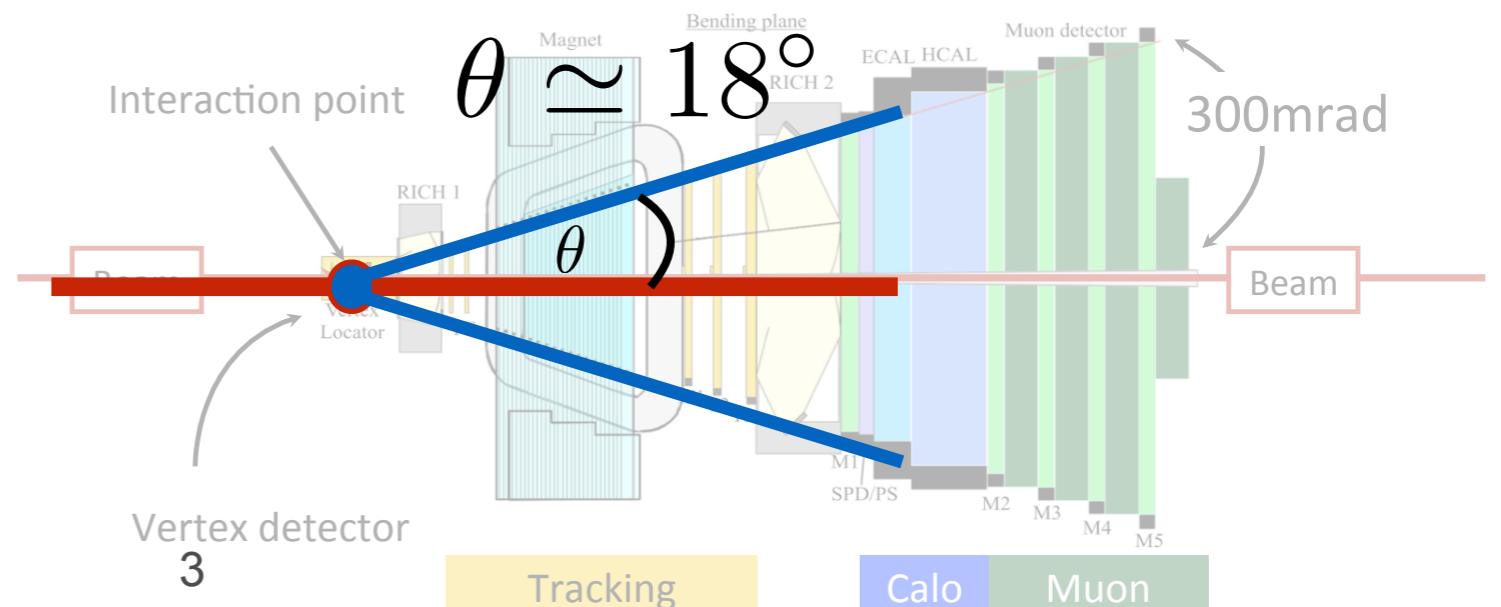
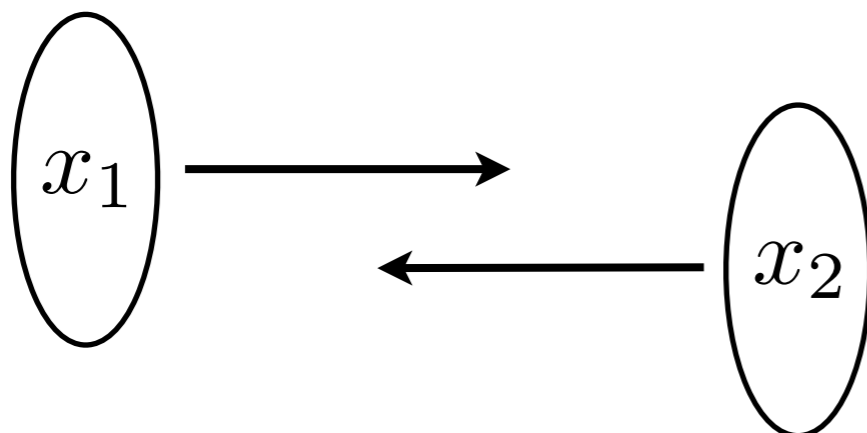
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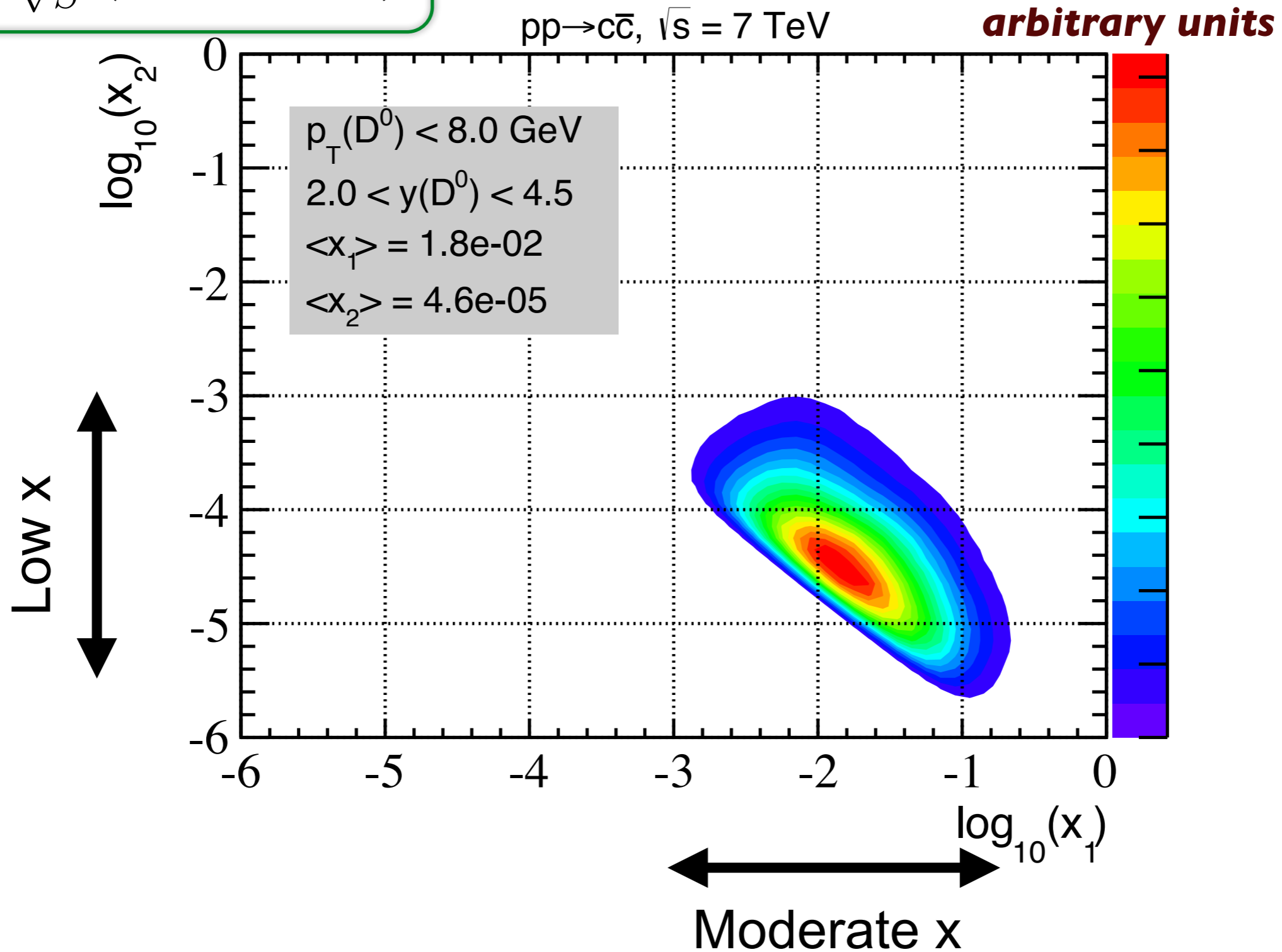
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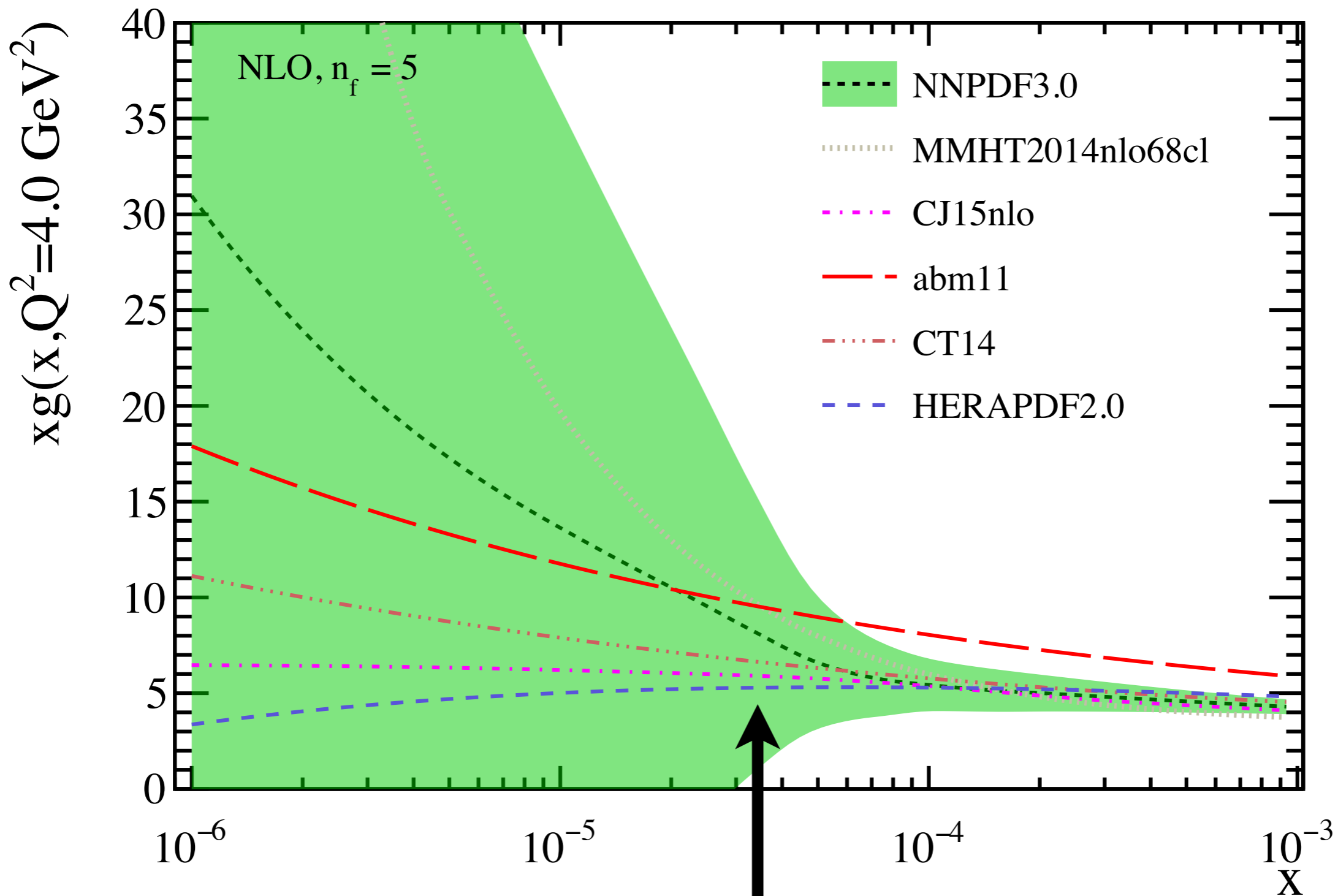
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**Require a D hadron within LHCb acceptance at 7 TeV**



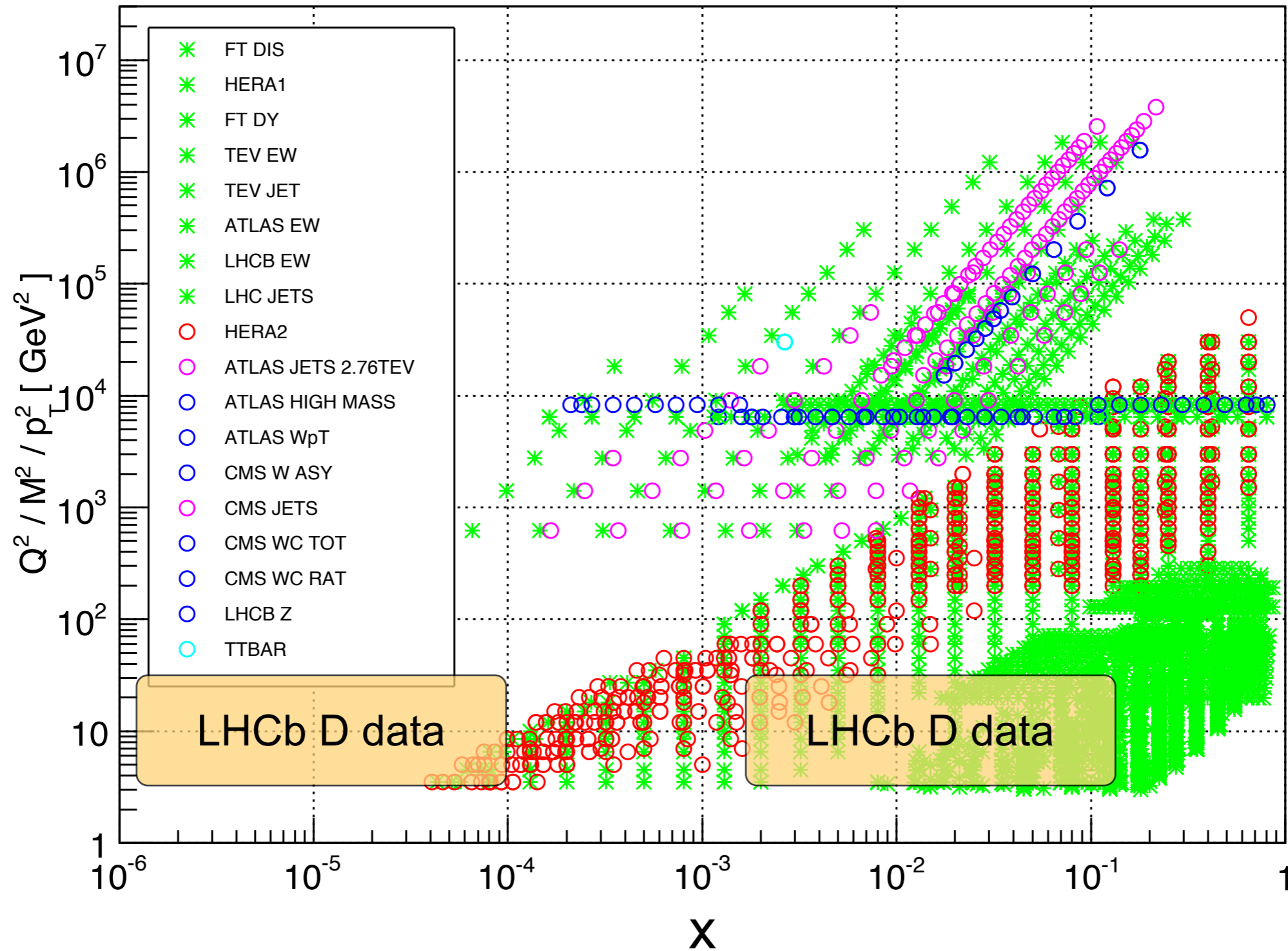
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PDF constraints from HERA charm data

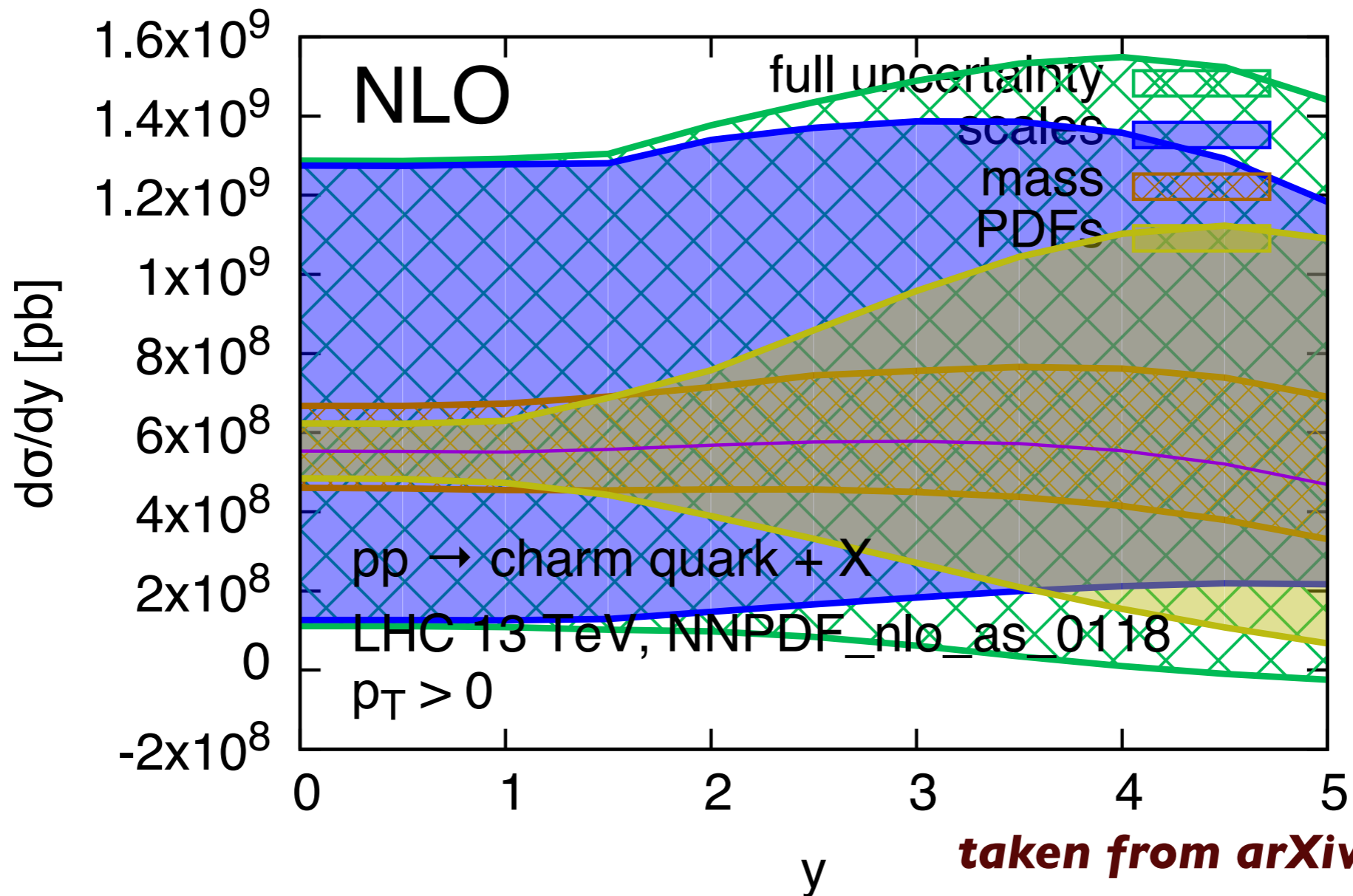
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Shape/uncertainty determined by  
parameterisation of non-pert. gluon PDF

# NNPDF3.0 NLO dataset



Kinematic coverage of Global Fit



$$\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(\beta, m, \mu_F) = \frac{\alpha_s^2(\mu_R)}{m_Q^2} \left( \sigma_{ij}^{(0)} + \alpha_s(\mu_R) \left[ \sigma_{ij}^{(1)} + \bar{\sigma}_{ij}^{(1)}(\mu_F, \mu_R) \right] + \dots \right)$$

Scale uncertainties at low energy scales overwhelming

$$\mu \sim \sqrt{m_Q^2 + p_{T,Q}^2} \sim 2.2 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\alpha_s(2.2 \text{ GeV}) \sim 0.3$$

Measurements performed double differentially in  $p_T^D$  and  $y_D$

$$N_X^{ij} = \frac{d^2\sigma(X \text{ TeV})}{dy_i^D d(p_T^D)_j} / \frac{d^2\sigma(X \text{ TeV})}{dy_{\text{ref}}^D d(p_T^D)_j}$$

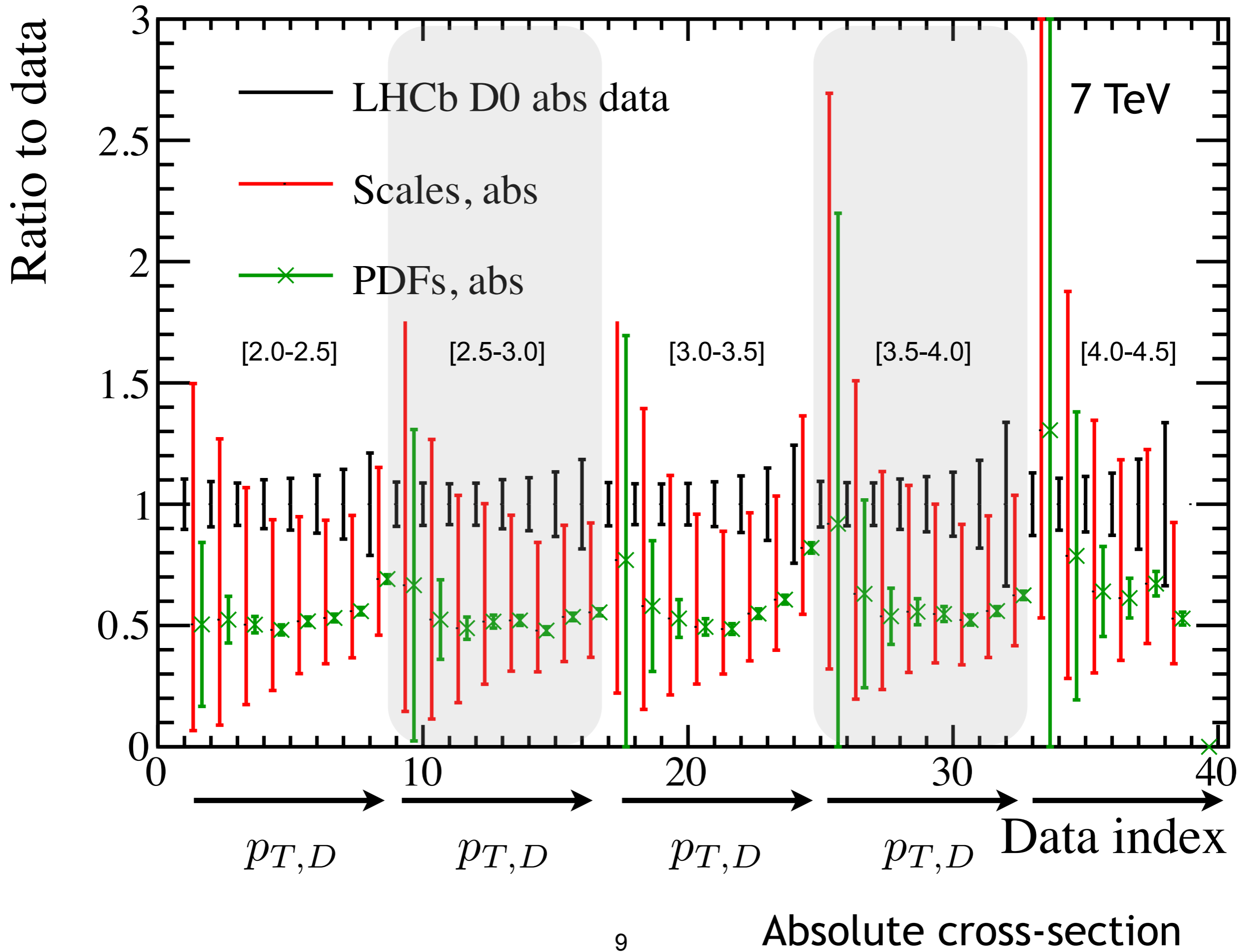
Measurements performed at multiple hadronic CoM values

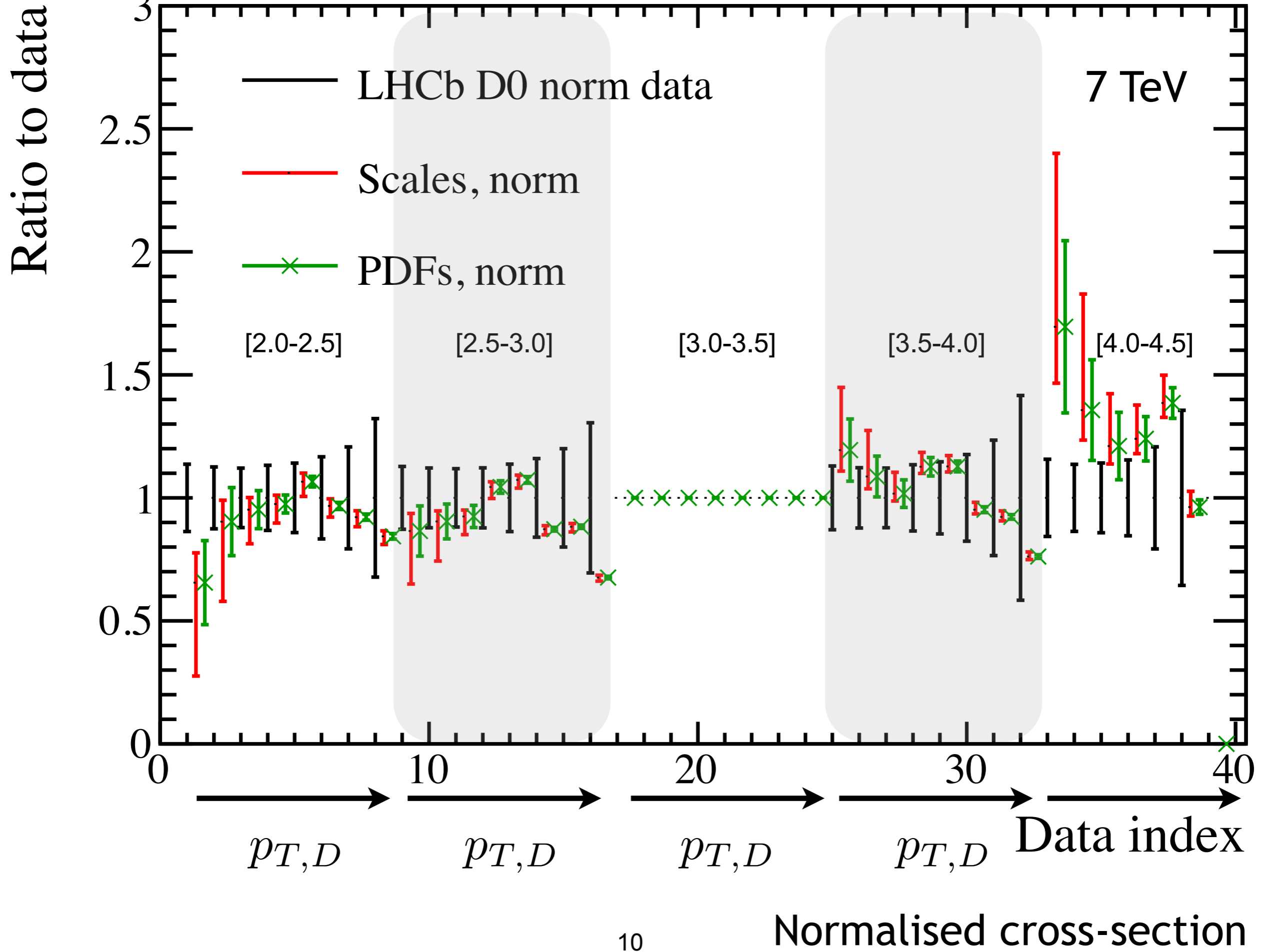
$$R_{13/X}^{ij} = \frac{d^2\sigma(13 \text{ TeV})}{dy_i^D d(p_T^D)_j} / \frac{d^2\sigma(X \text{ TeV})}{dy_i^D d(p_T^D)_j}$$

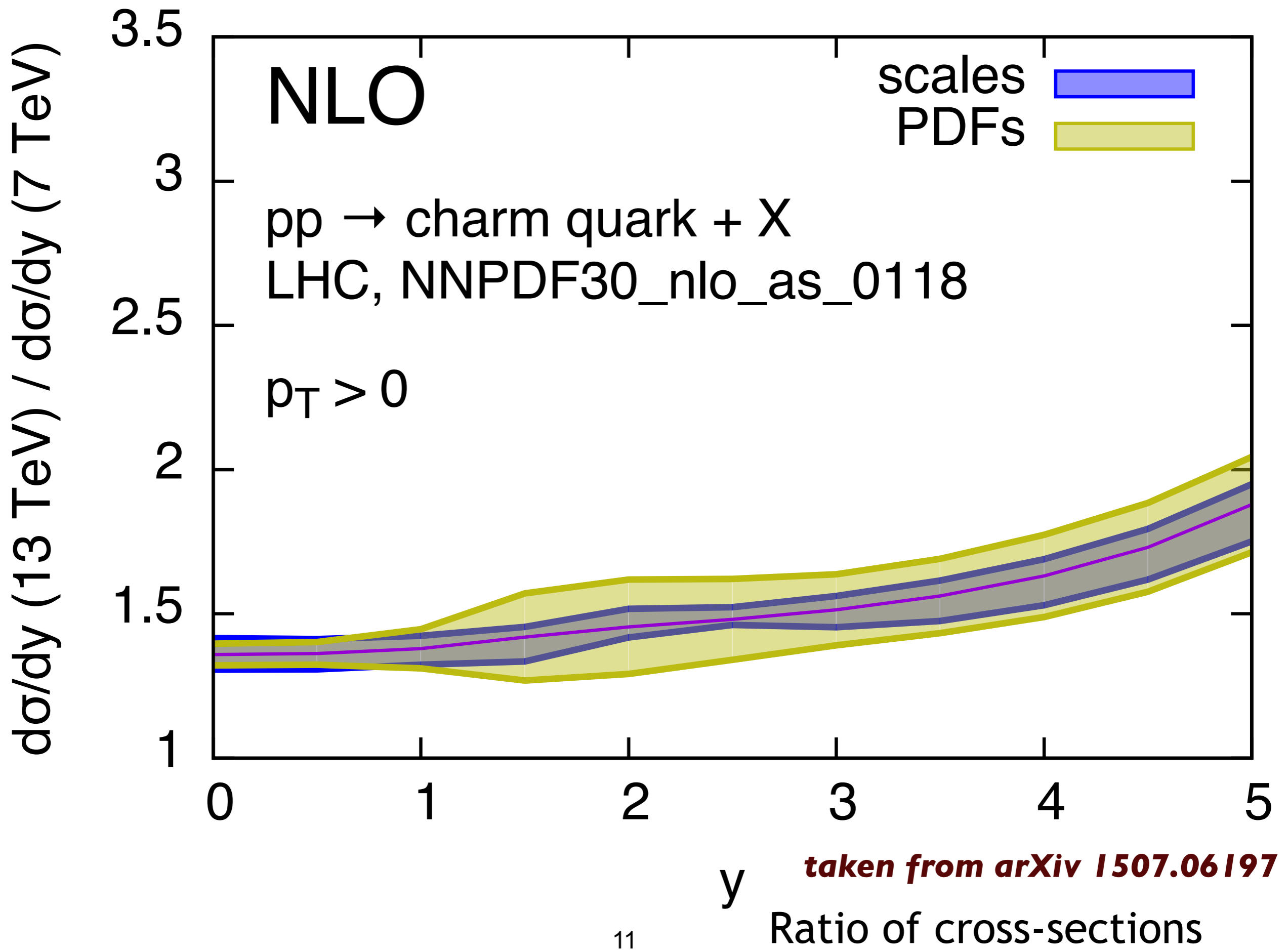
pros: theoretical (and experimental) uncertainties highly correlated

cons: PDF uncertainties also correlated (lose sensitivity to PDFs)









# Summary of LHCb data

- Prompt charm production at 13 TeV (and 13/7 ratio), [arXiv:1510.01707](#)  
Erratum: September 2016  
Erratum: May 2017
- Prompt charm production at 5 TeV (and 13/5 ratio), [arXiv:1610.02230](#)  
Erratum: May 2017
- Prompt charm production at 7 TeV, [arXiv:1302.2864](#)
- Prompt B production at 13 TeV (and 13/7 ratio), [arXiv:1612.05150](#)  
Erratum: September 2017
- Prompt B production at 7 TeV, [arXiv:1306.3663](#)

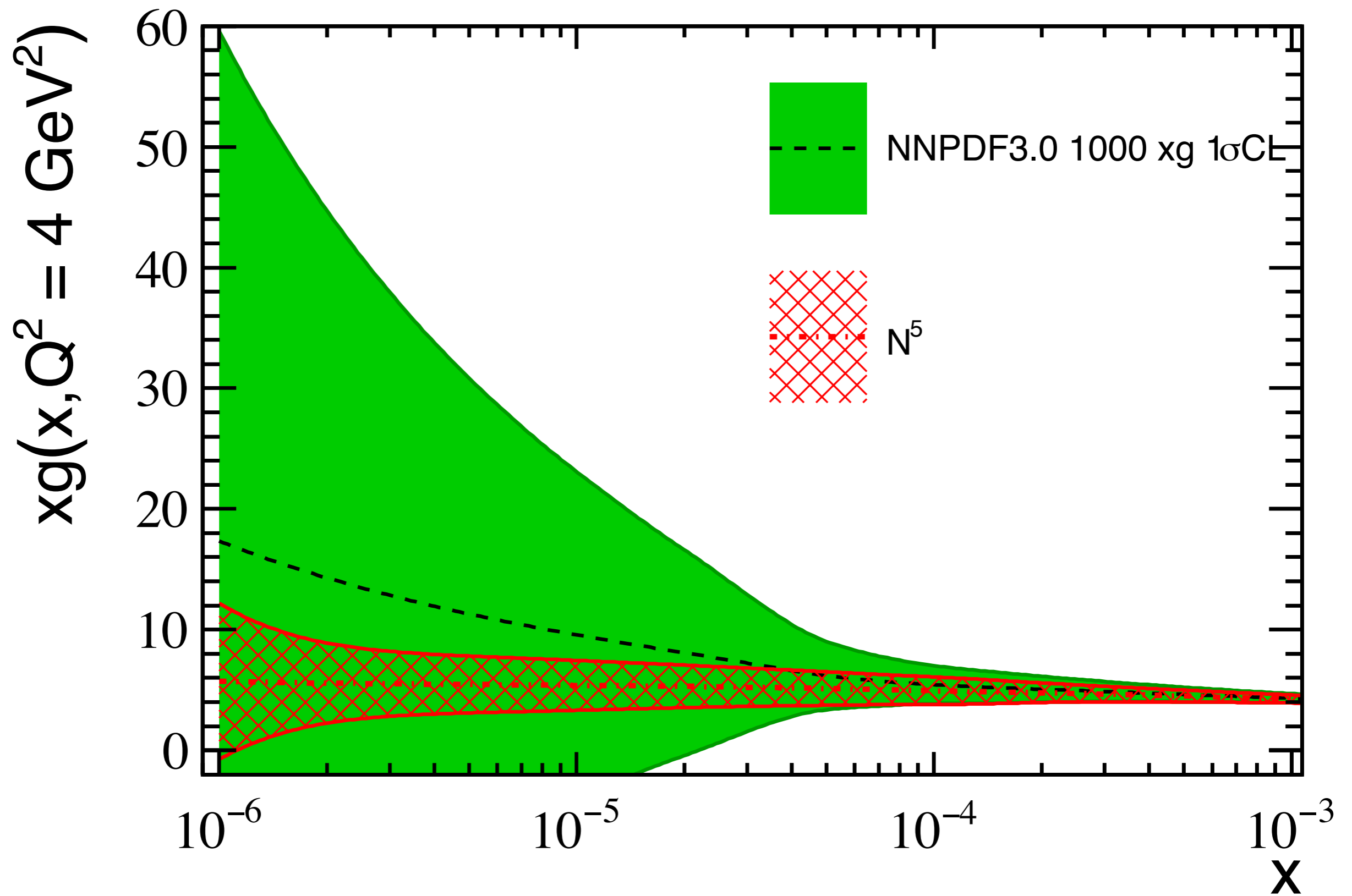
# Summary of PDF analyses

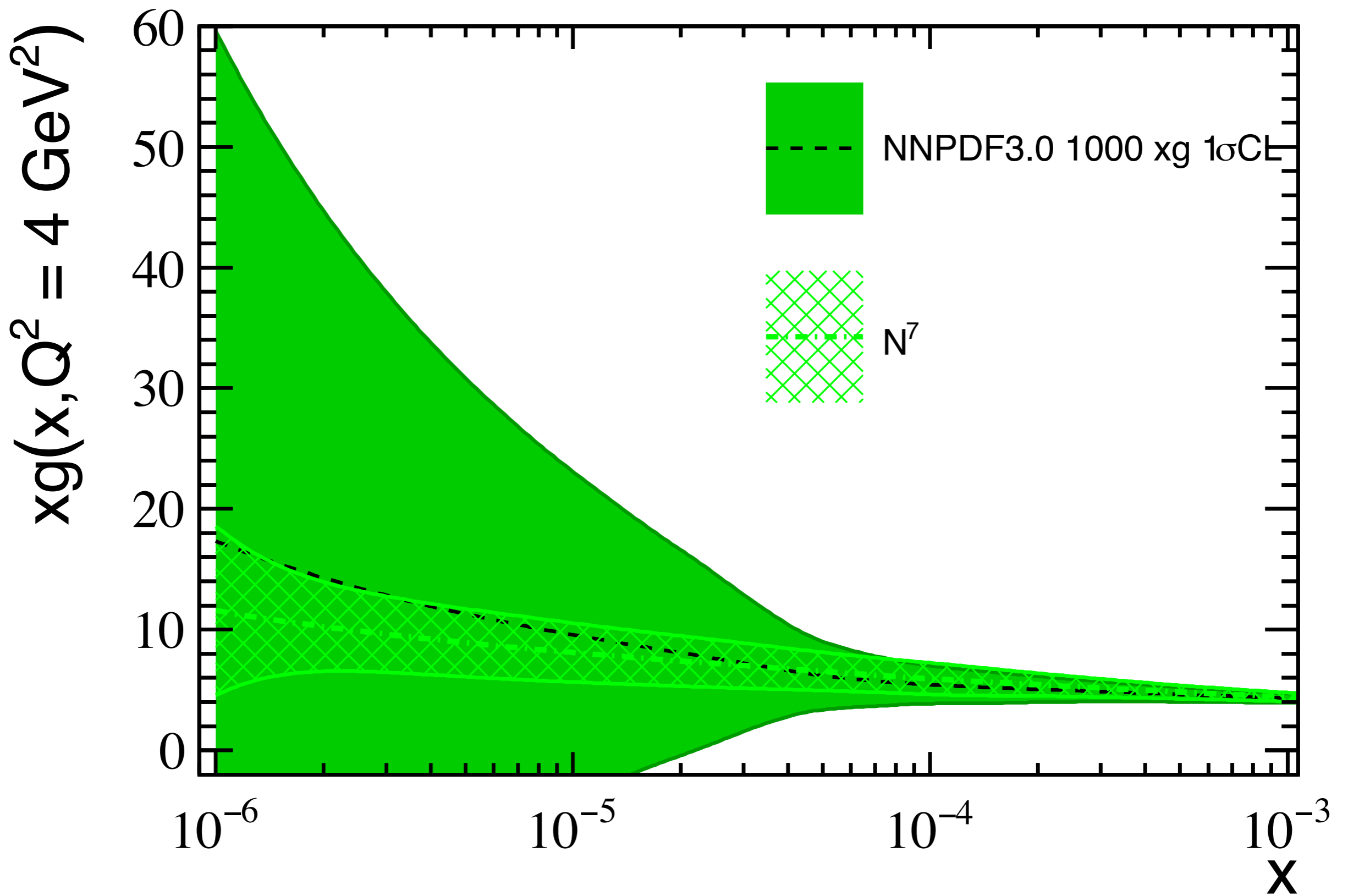
- NLO analysis, HERA + LHCb B/D 7 TeV data, [arXiv:1503.04581](#)  
Prosa Collaboration
- NNPDF3.0 NLO Global fit + LHCb D 7 TeV data, [arXiv:1506.08025](#)  
RG, Rojo, Rottoli, Talbert
- NNPDF3.0 NLO Global fit + LHCb D 13, 7, 5 TeV data, [arXiv:1610.09373](#)  
RG, Rojo (updated May 2017)
- The LHCb B and D hadron data is wrong paper, [arXiv:1703.03636](#)  
RG
- Analyses of absolute D cross section data, [arXiv:1705.08845](#)  
Martin, Oliviera, Ryskin

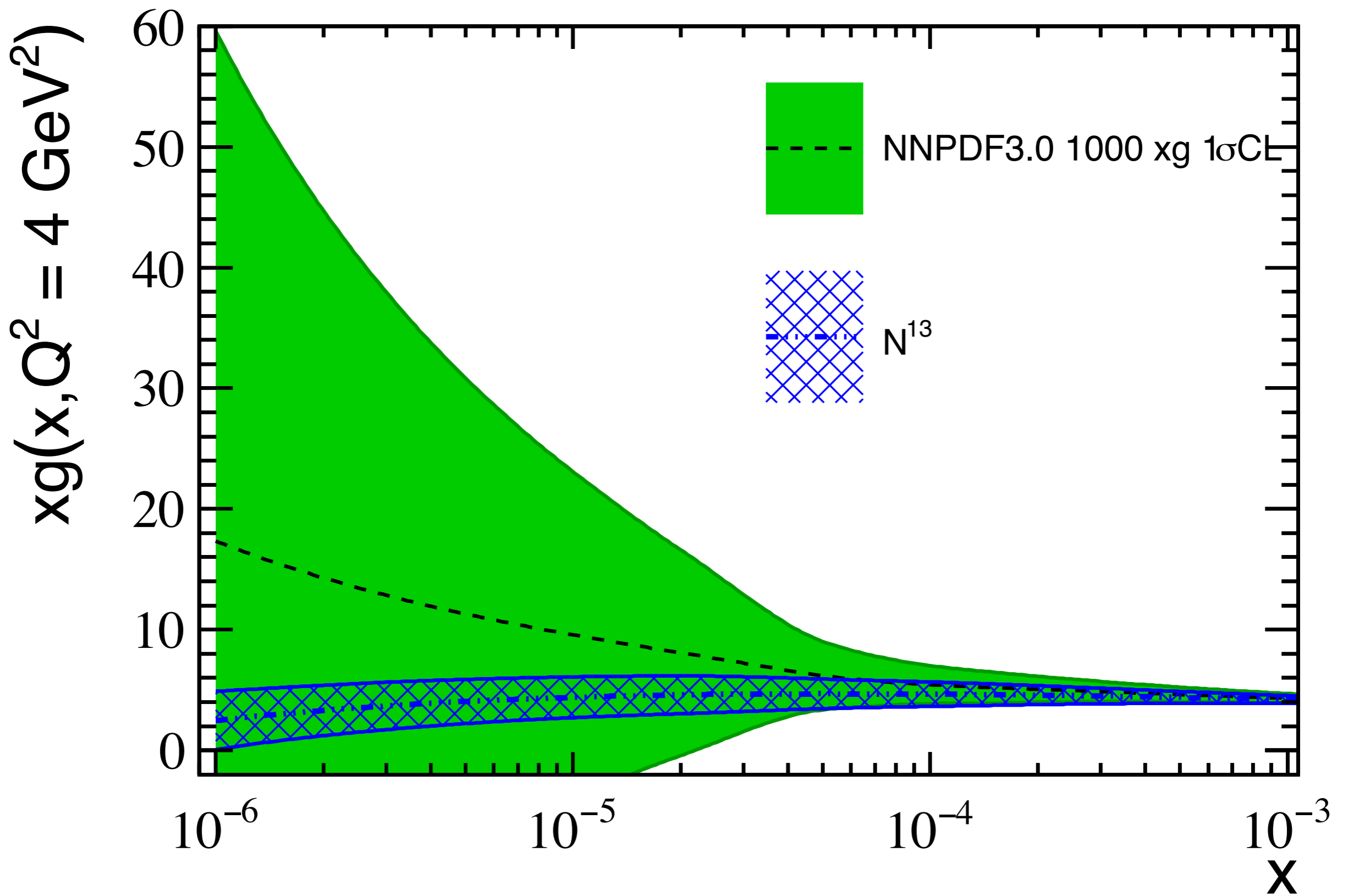
$N_5(84)$	$N_7(79)$	$N_{13}(126)$	$R_{13/5}(107)$	$R_{13/7}(102)$
1.97	1.21	2.36	1.36	0.80
<b>0.86</b>	0.72	1.14	1.35	0.81
1.31	<b>0.91</b>	1.58	1.36	0.82
0.74	0.66	<b>1.01</b>	1.38	0.80
1.08	0.81	1.27	<b>1.29</b>	0.80
1.53	0.99	1.73	1.30	<b>0.81</b>
<b>1.07</b>	0.81	1.34	1.35	<b>0.81</b>
0.82	<b>0.70</b>	1.07	<b>1.35</b>	0.81
<b>0.84</b>	<b>0.71</b>	<b>1.10</b>	1.36	0.81

TABLE I: The  $\chi^2/N_{\text{dat}}$  for the LHCb  $D$  meson measurements considered,  $N_5$ ,  $N_7$ ,  $N_{13}$ ,  $R_{13/7}$  and  $R_{13/5}$ , for various combinations of input to the PDF fit (highlighted in boldface).

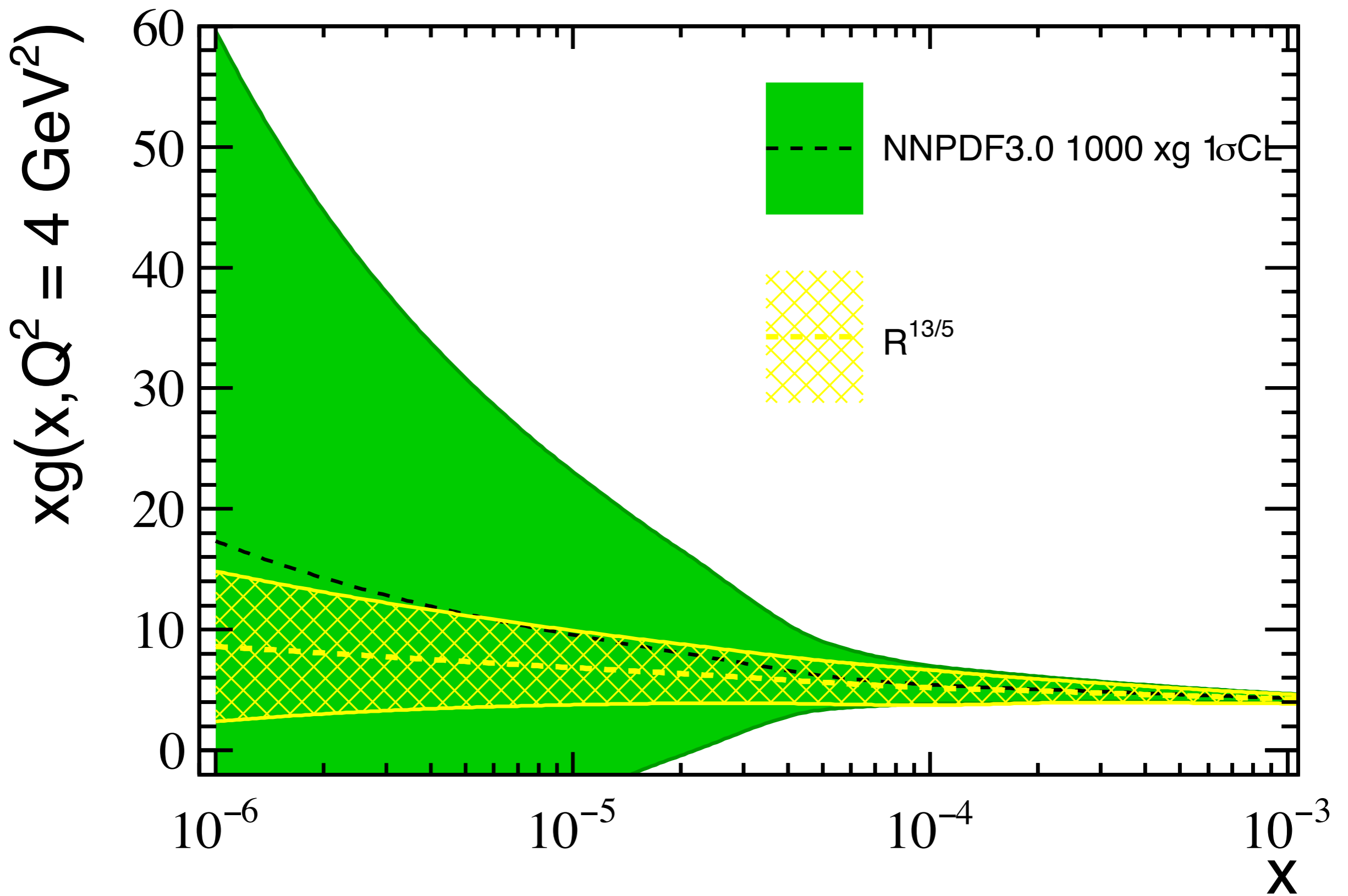
$$2.0 < y_D < 4.5 \qquad p_{T,D} < 8 \text{ GeV}$$

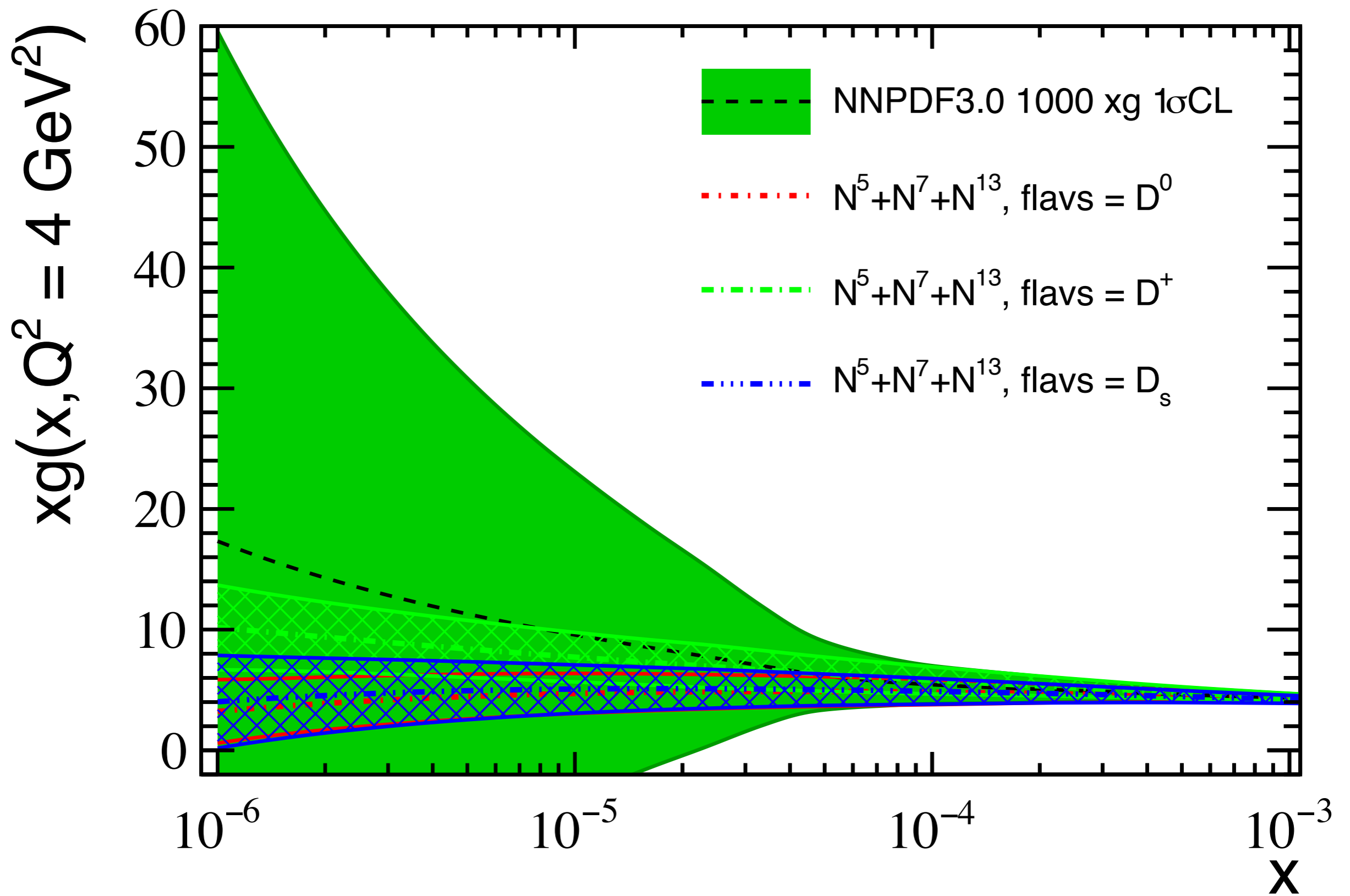


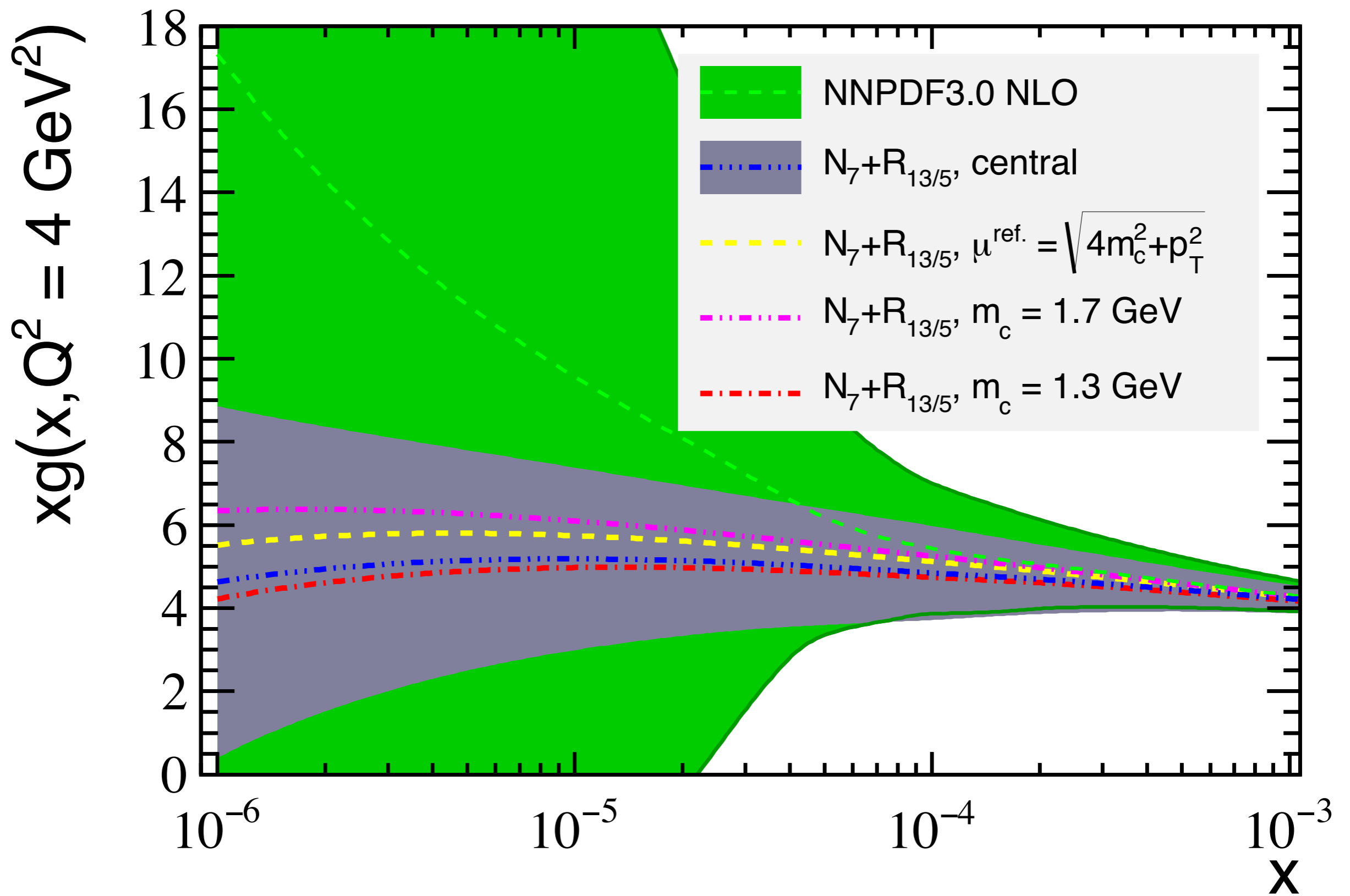


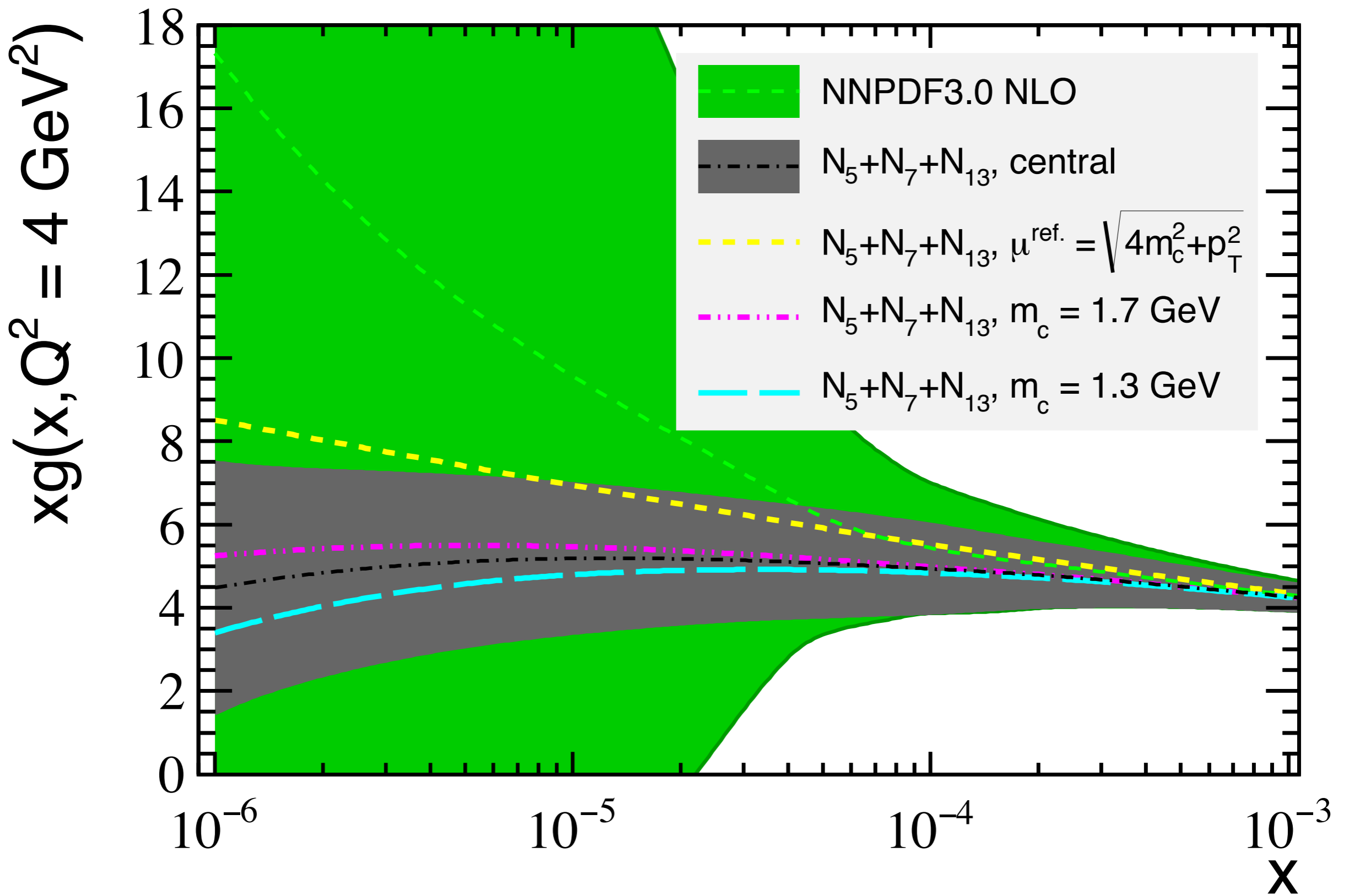






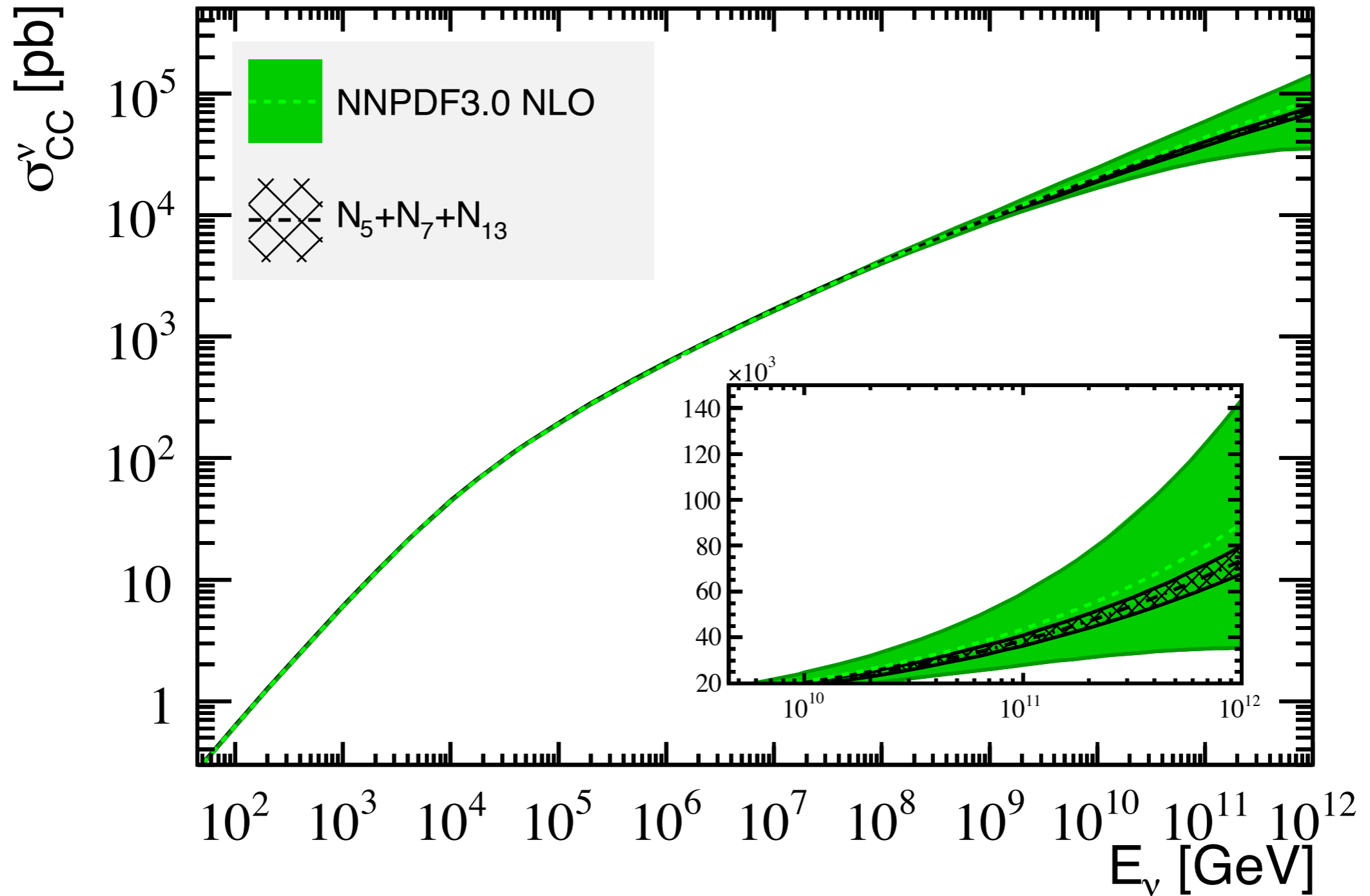






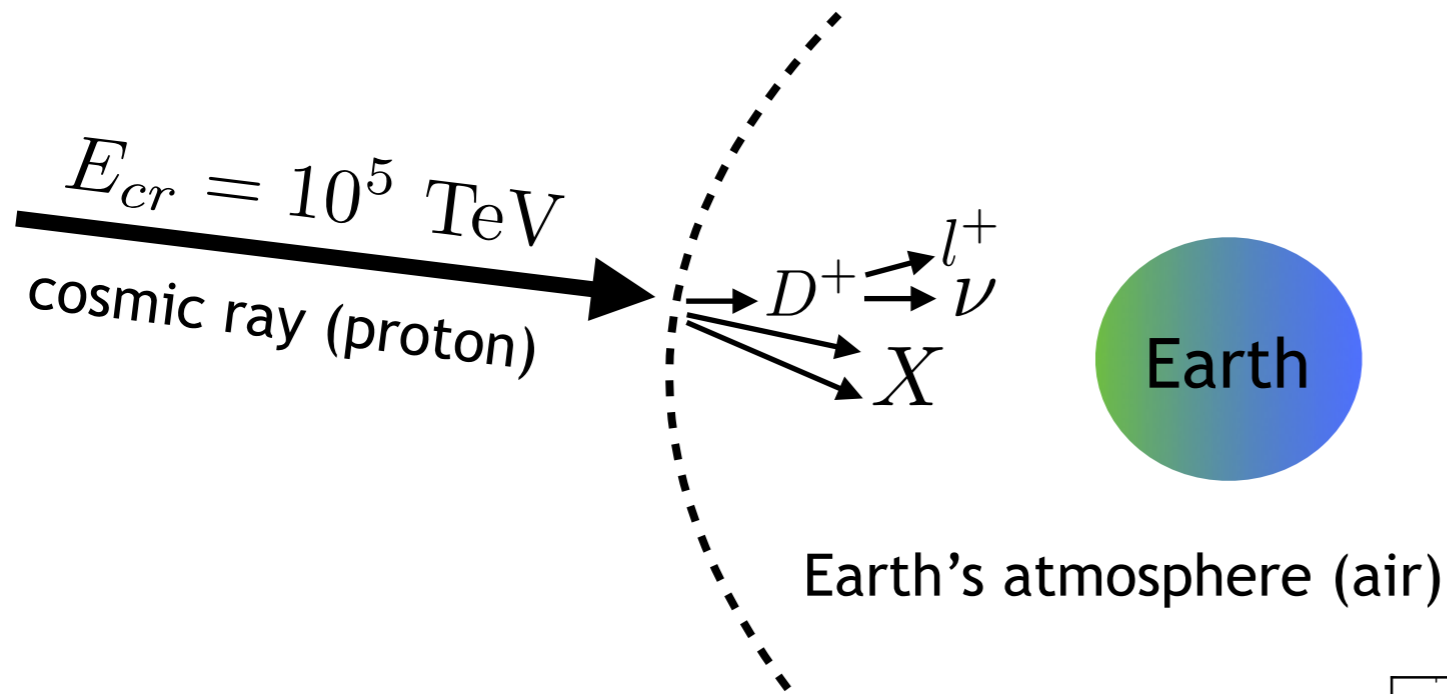
# Applications I

## Ultra High Energy (UHE) neutrino-nucleon cross section



# Applications II

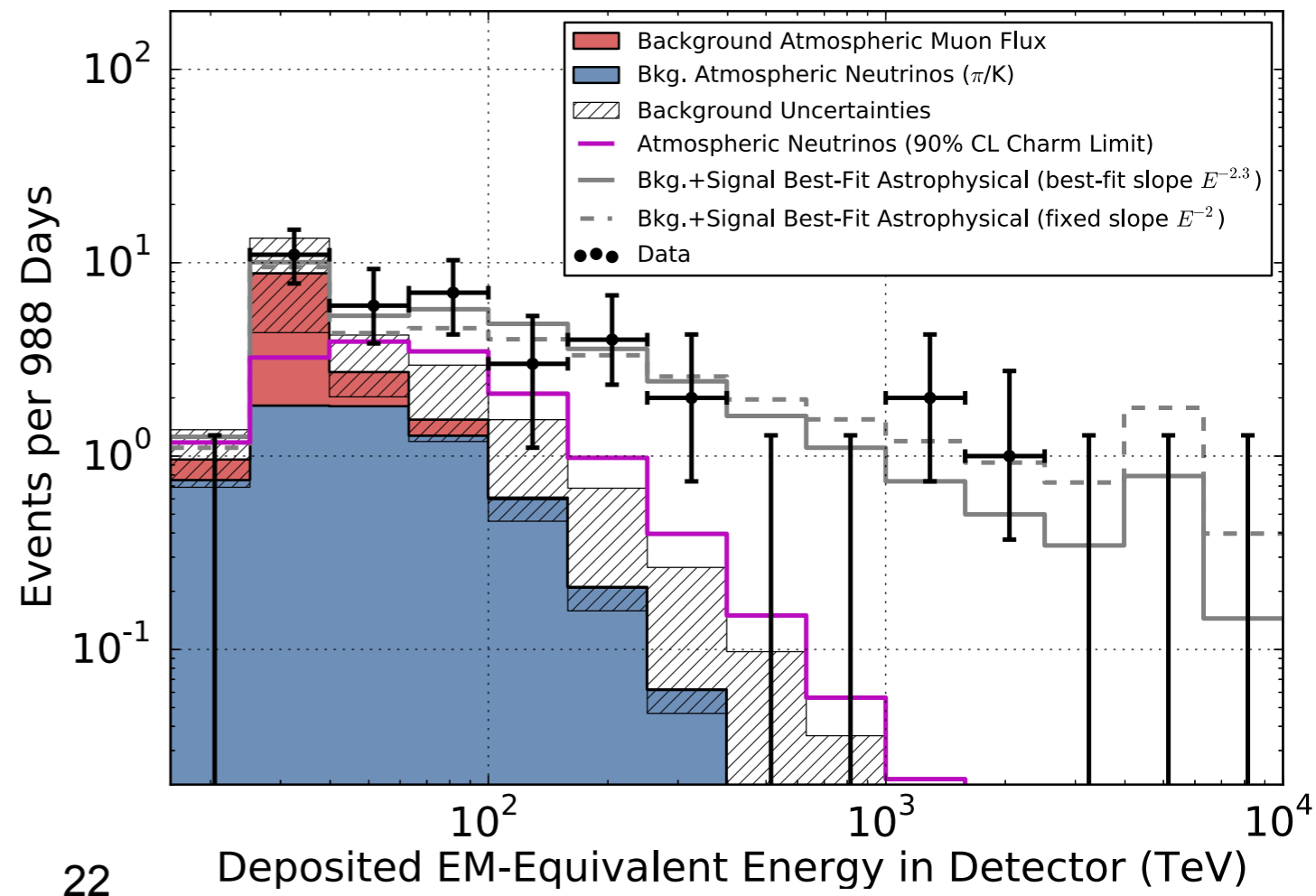
## Atmospheric production of heavy quarks



$$\sqrt{S} = \sqrt{2m_N E_{cr}} \approx 14 \text{ TeV}$$

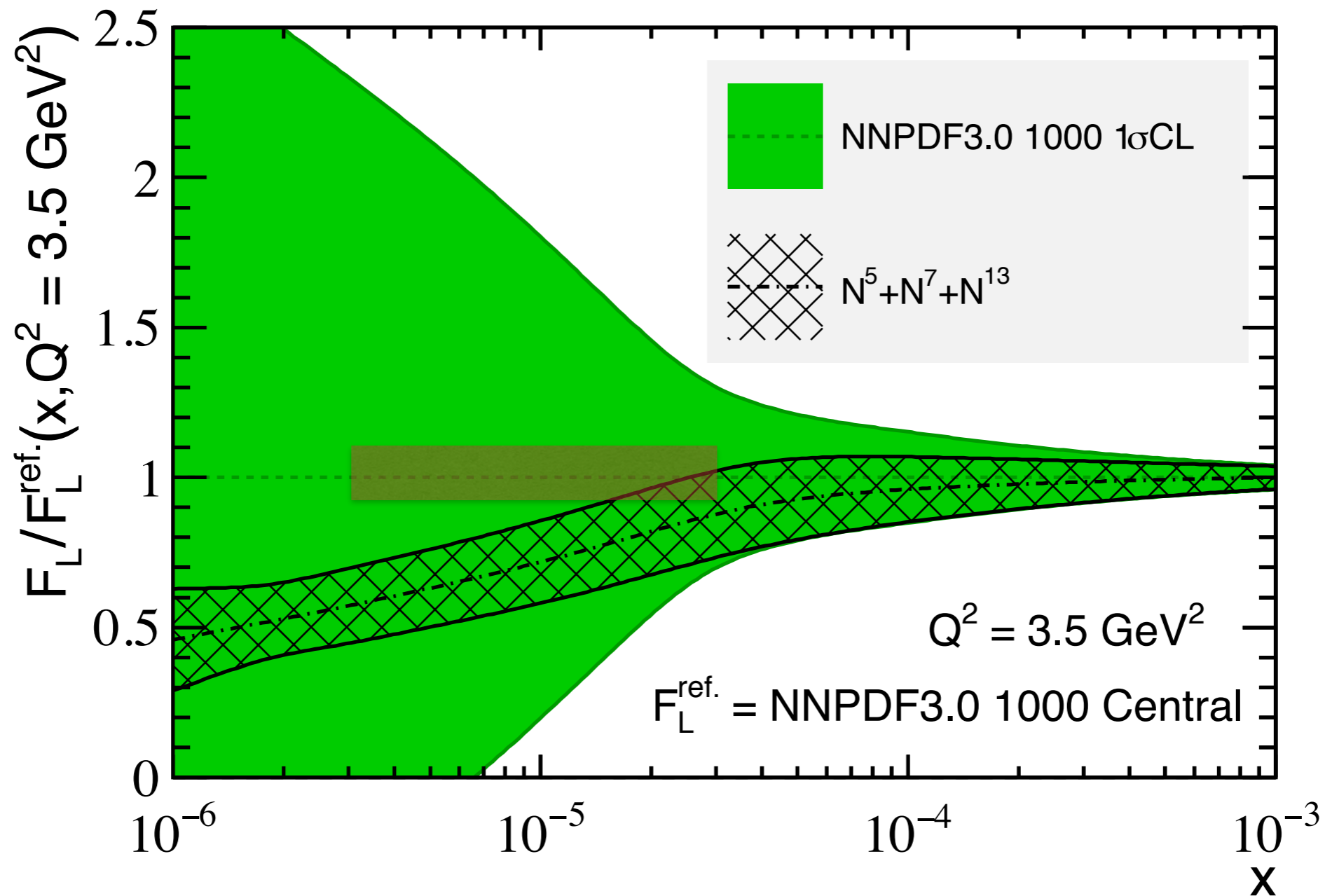
$$\text{At the LHC } \sqrt{S} = 13 \text{ TeV}$$

Dominant background for:  
UHE astrophysical neutrino  
measurements (IceCube, ...)



# Applications III

LHeC, High energy pp collider, forward photons at the LHC, ...



= Typical\* precision of  $F_L$  that LHeC could probe

\* Depends on beam energy, polarisation, ... etc.

# Summary

- Dust settling on the LHCb data now....
- Normalised cross section/ratio data lead to consistent results
- Low-x gluon PDF previously unknown

***Disclaimer: Didn't discuss exclusive J/Psi - Jones et al. arXiv: 1610.02272***

Our LHgrids (100 member replica set) are available here:

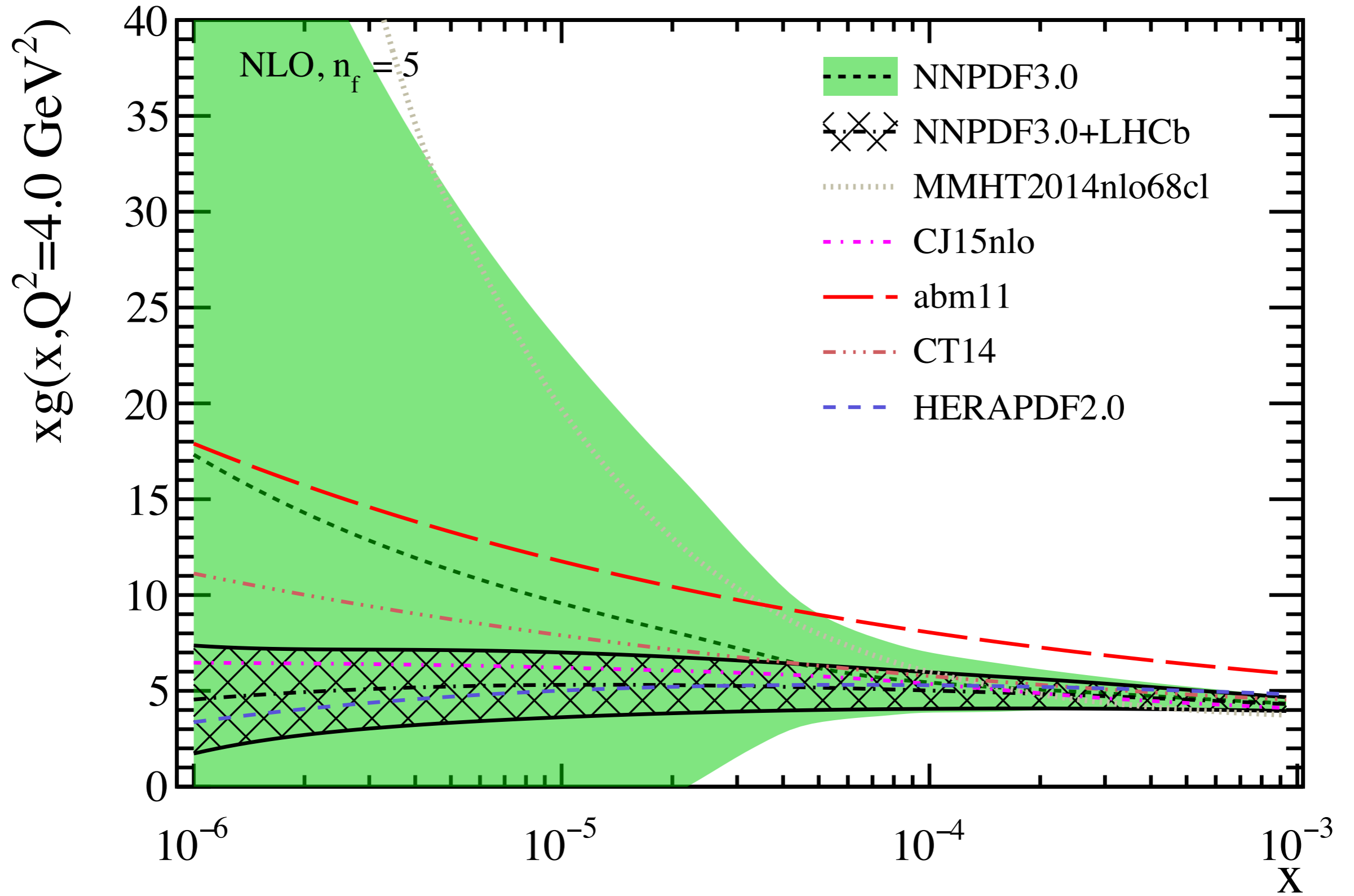
5 flavour PDFs

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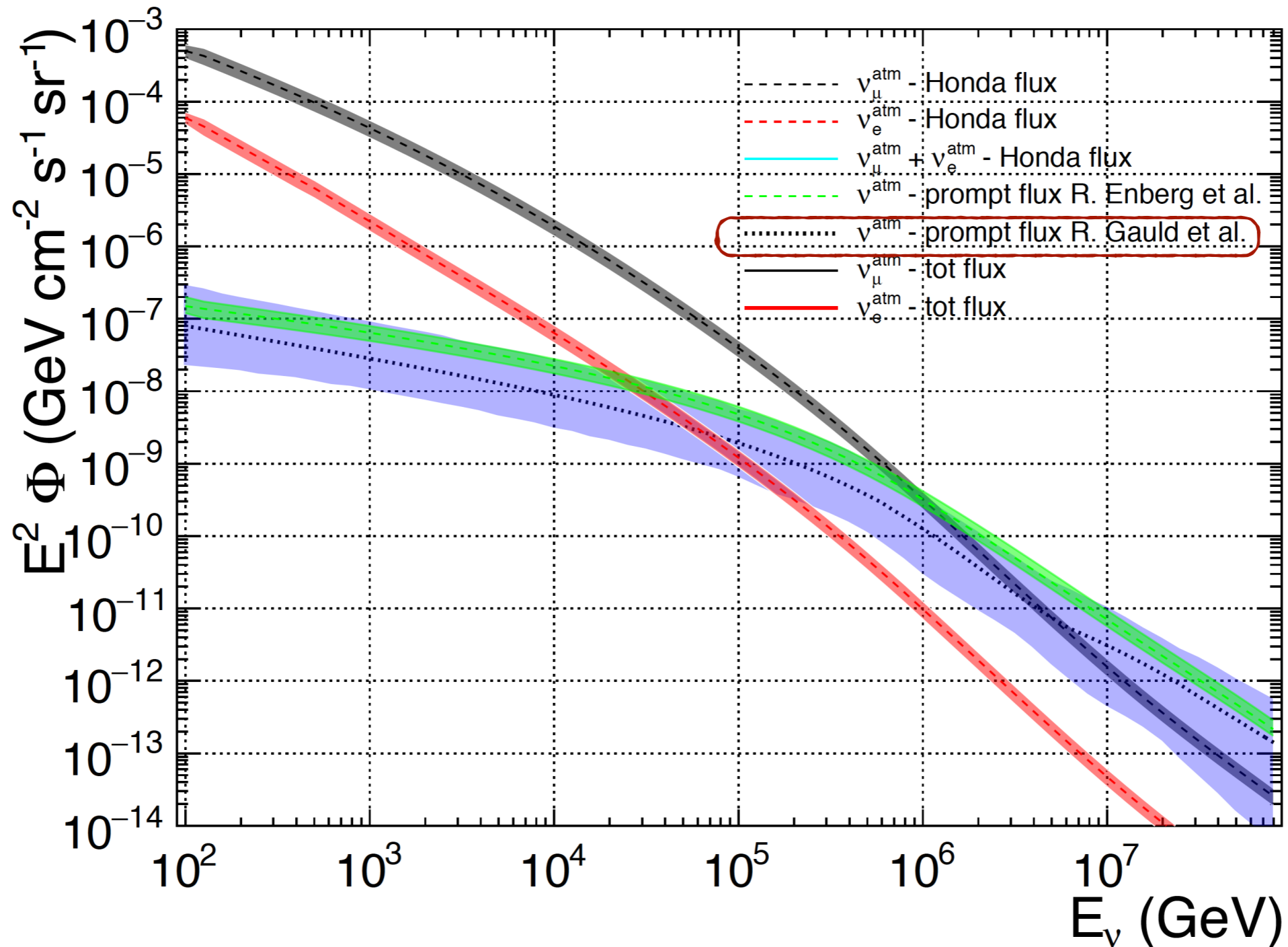
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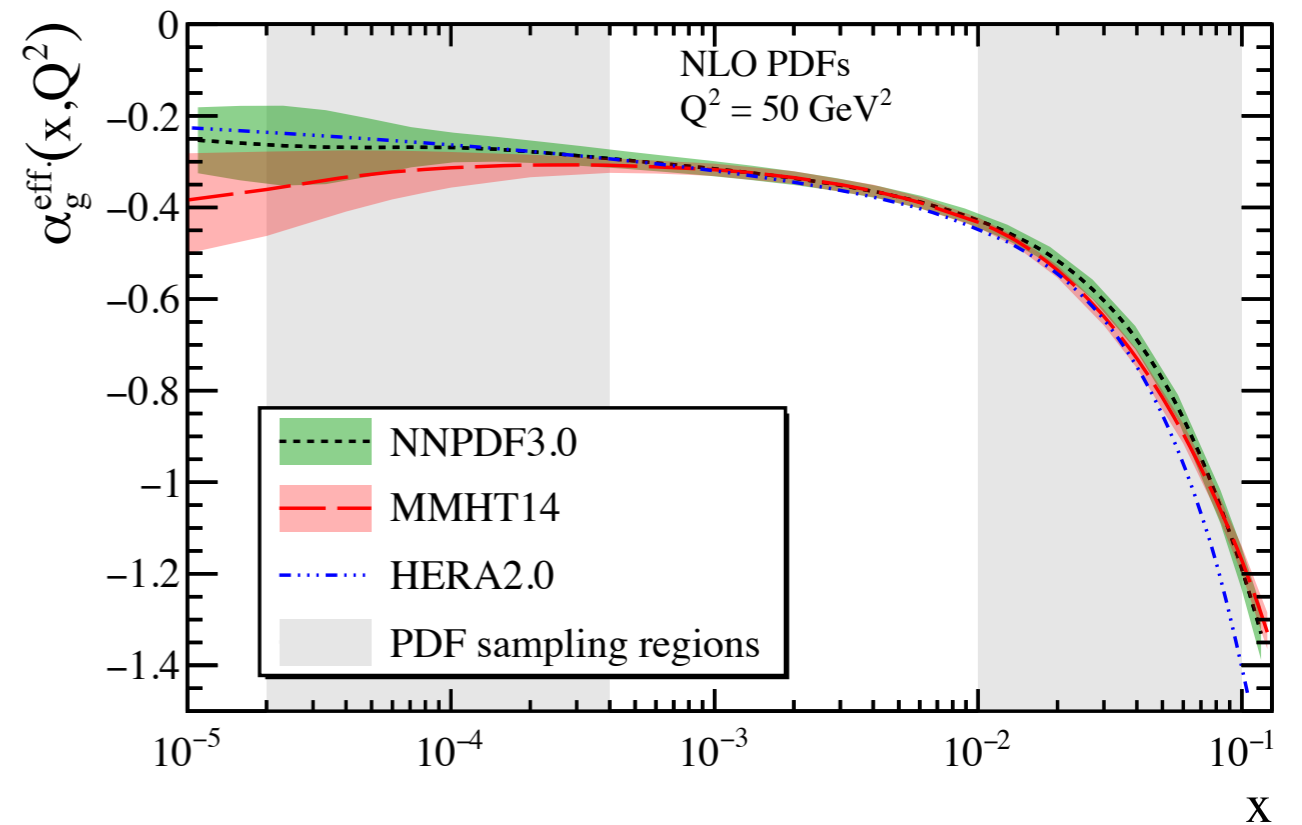
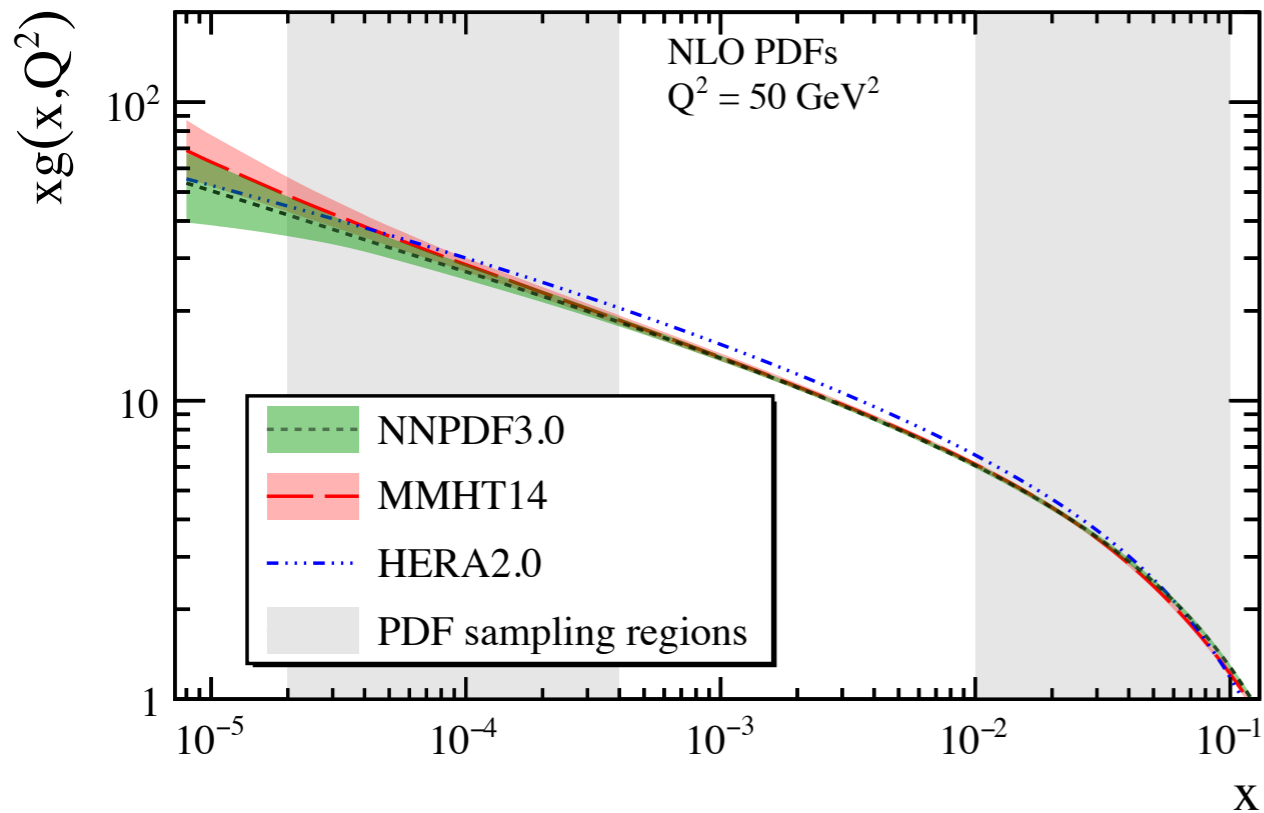
**Bunch of `useful' plots below**

# Neutrino flux from prompt charm



From KM3NeT Letter of intent - arXiv:1601.07459

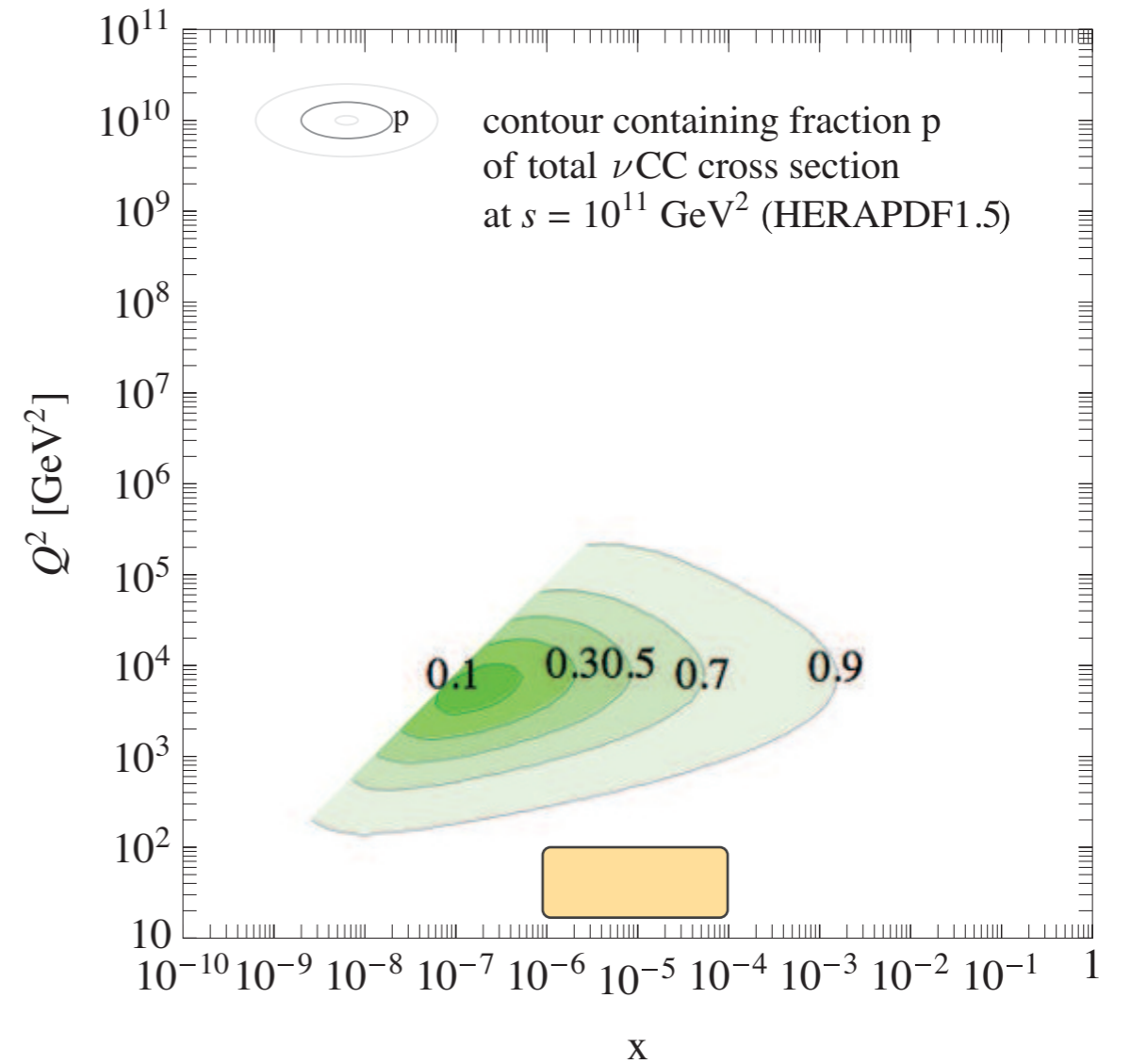
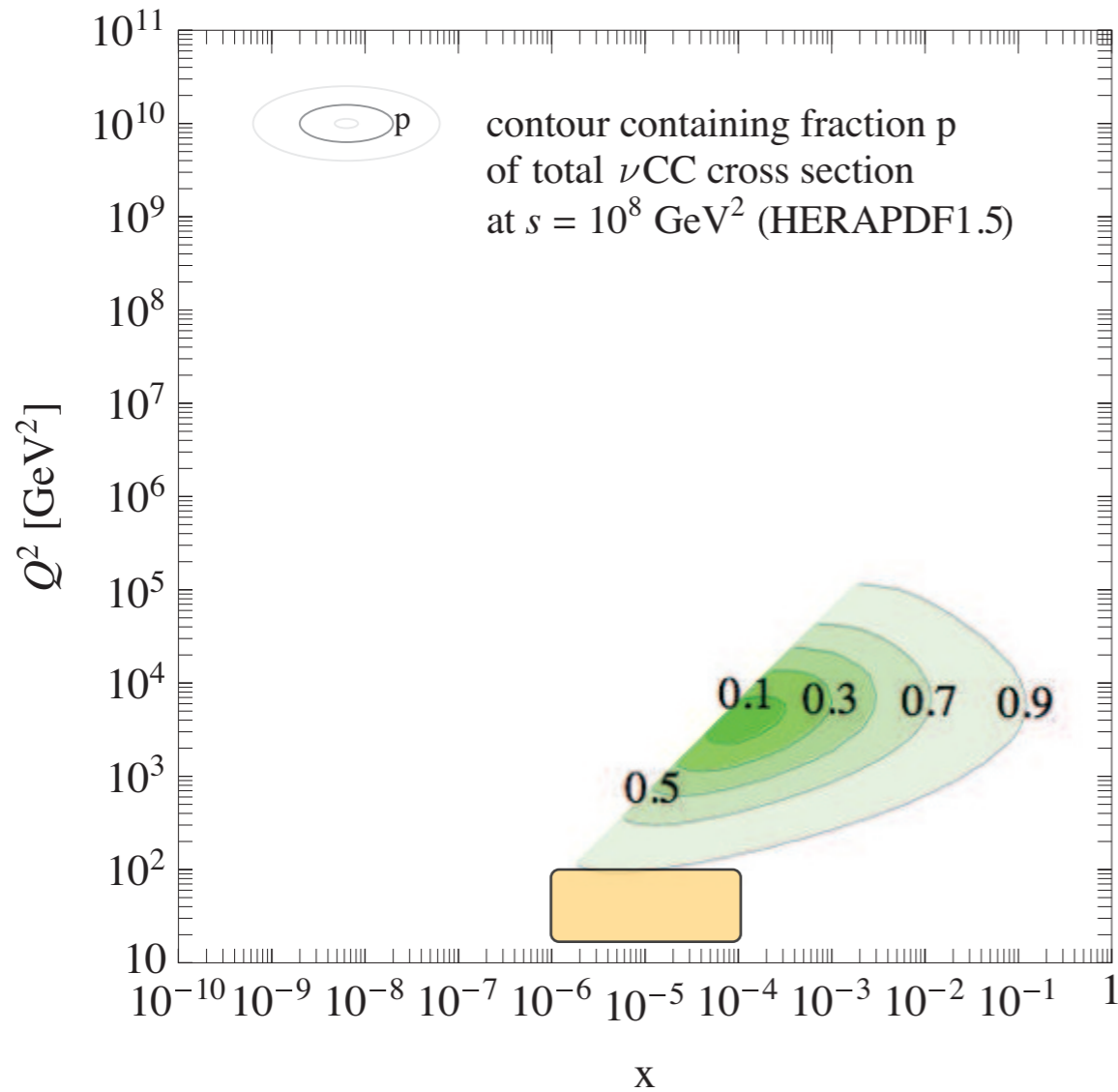
$$\alpha_g^{\text{eff.}}(x, Q^2) = \frac{\partial \ln [xg(x, Q^2)]}{\partial \ln x}$$



What do normalised cross section and ratios probe?

Essentially the rate of change of the gluon PDF within an x-range

# UHE CC neutrino cross section



Taken from (Cooper-)Sarkar, Mertsch, arXiv:1106.3723

$$\frac{d^2\sigma(\nu(\bar{\nu})N)}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{G_F^2 M_W^4}{4\pi(Q^2 + M_W^2)^2 x} \sigma_r(\nu(\bar{\nu})N)$$

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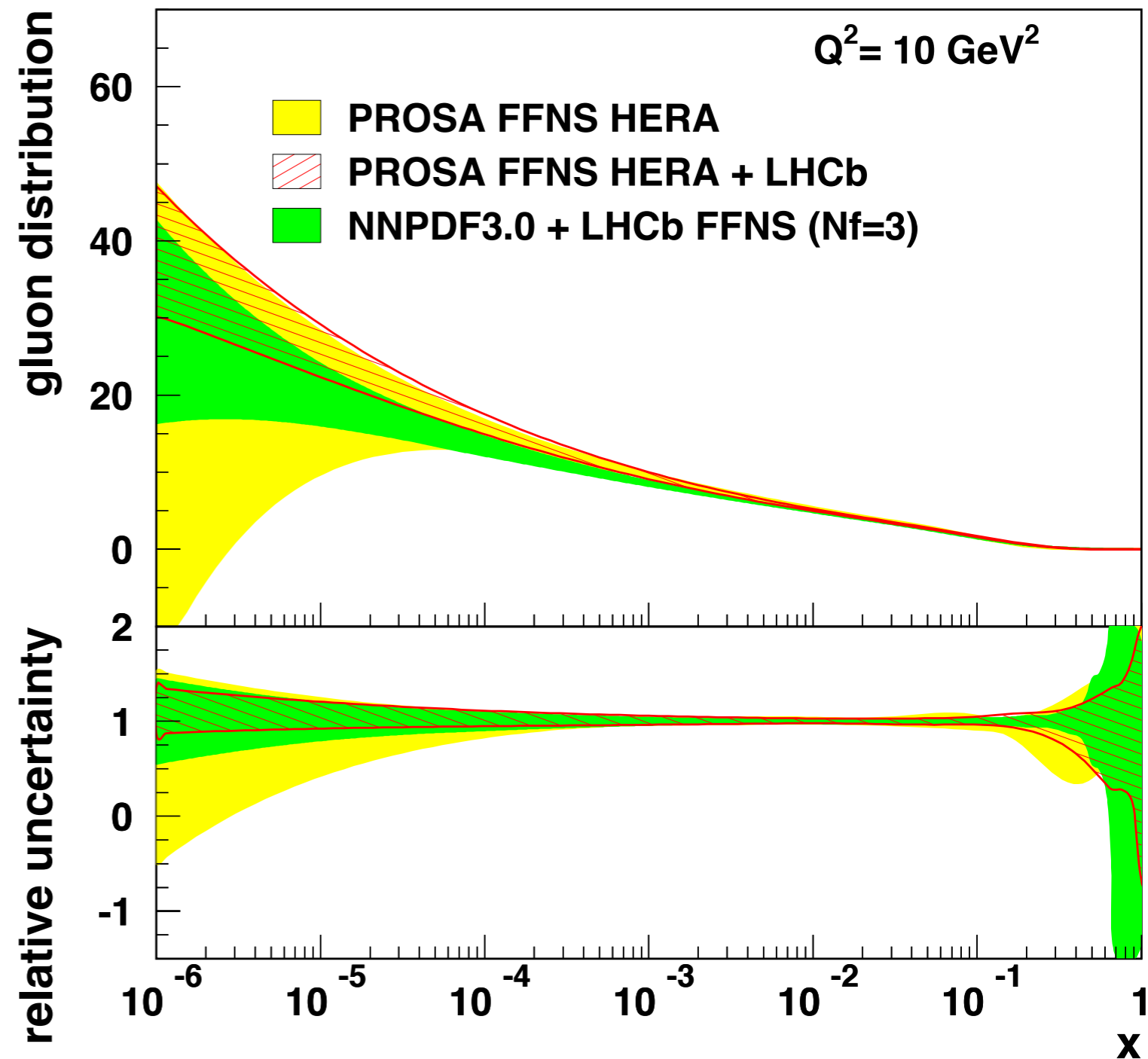
# Gluon PDF extraction at 7 TeV

PROSA results:

- HERA+LHCb Data PDF fit
- FFS,  $N_f=3$
- Normalise to 'middle' rapidity bin for each  $p_T$
- HERAfitter framework
- Also LHCb B data

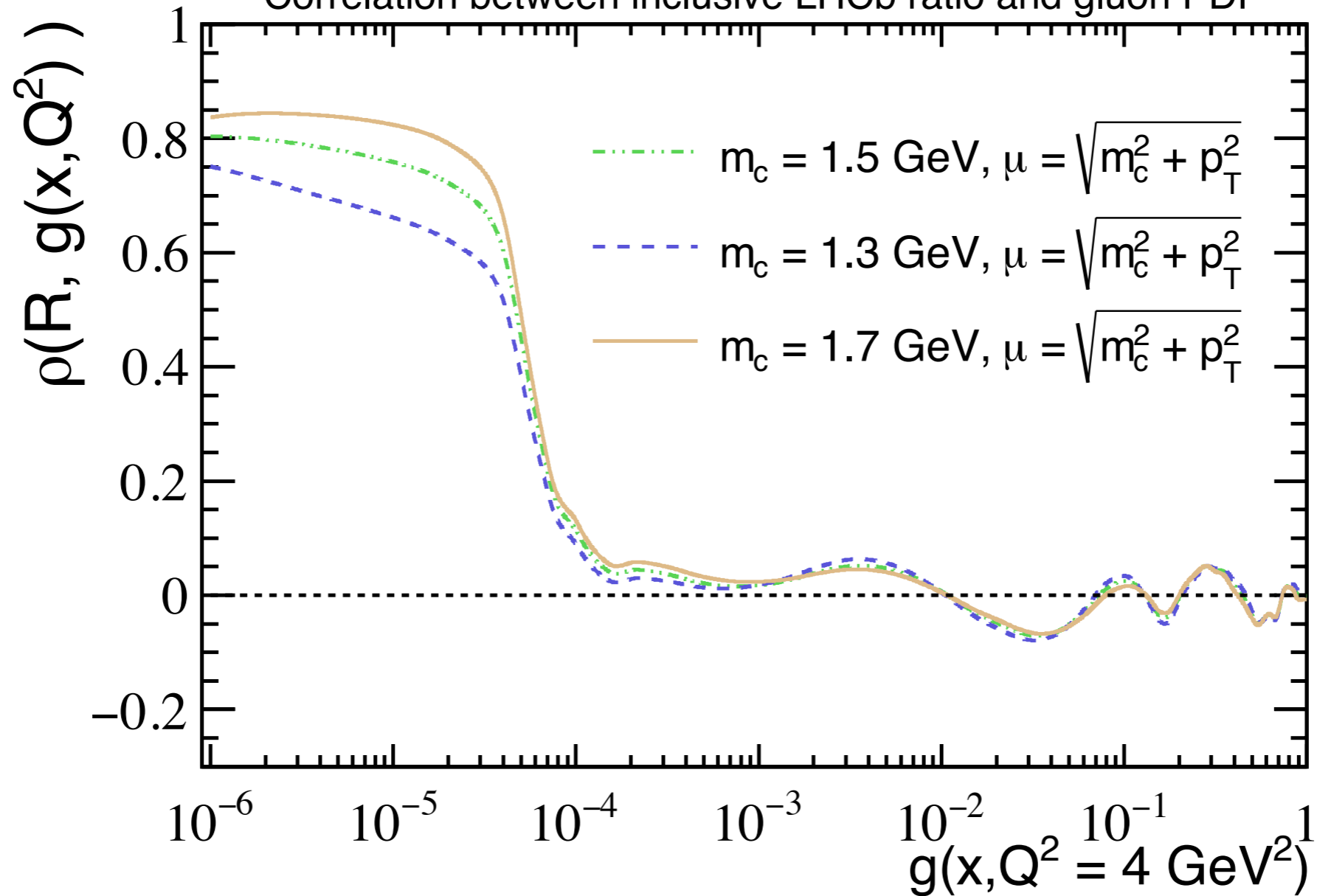
GRRT results:

- NNPDF3.0 Global fit
- input set is VFNS
- Normalise to max  $p_T$  / min rapidity bin
- Bayesian Reweighting



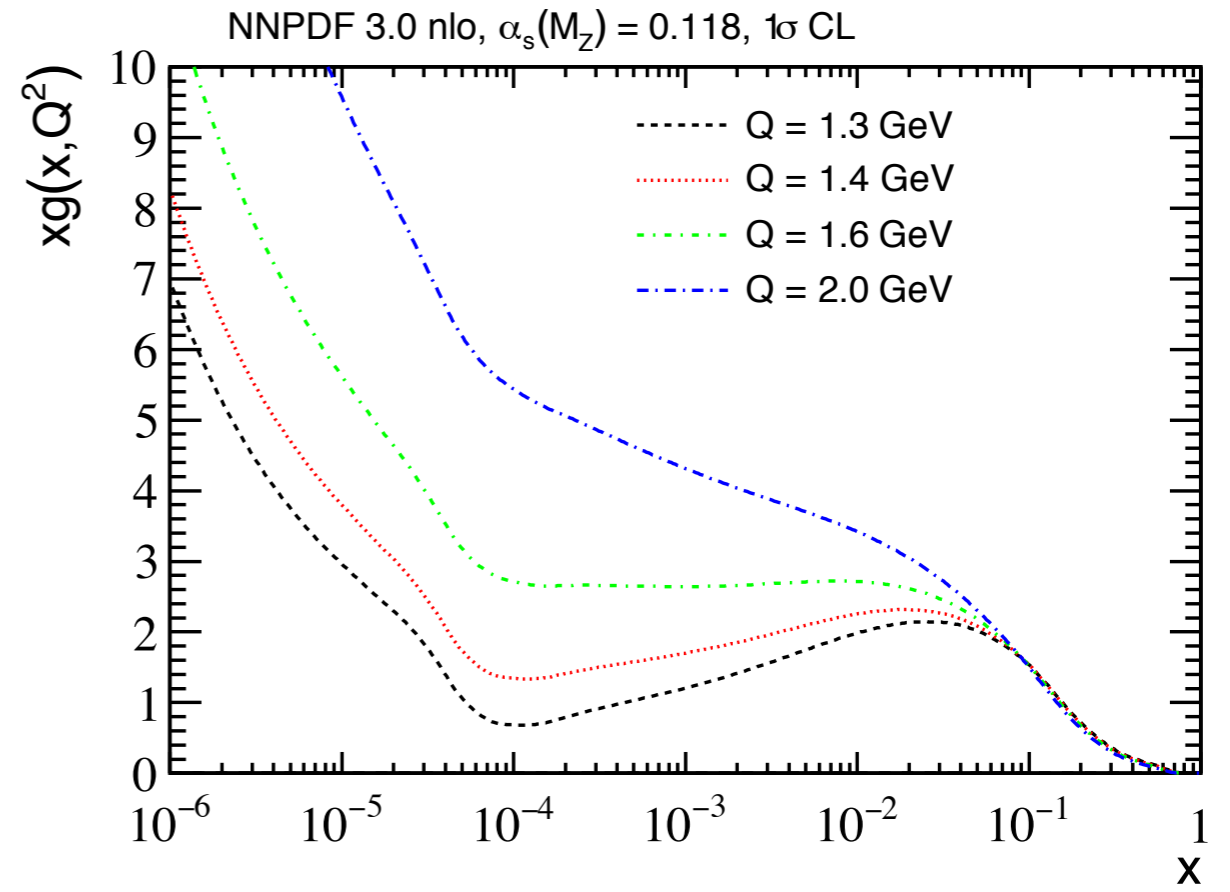
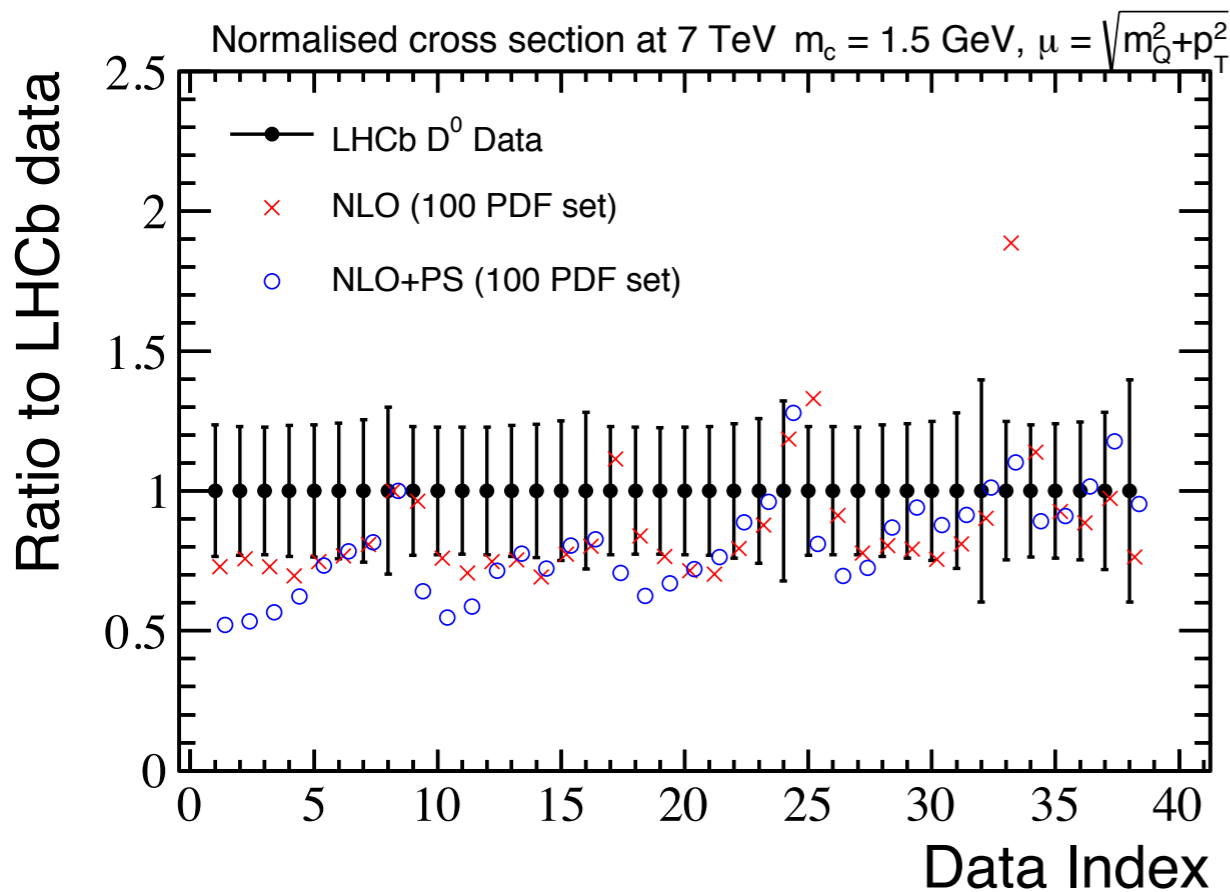
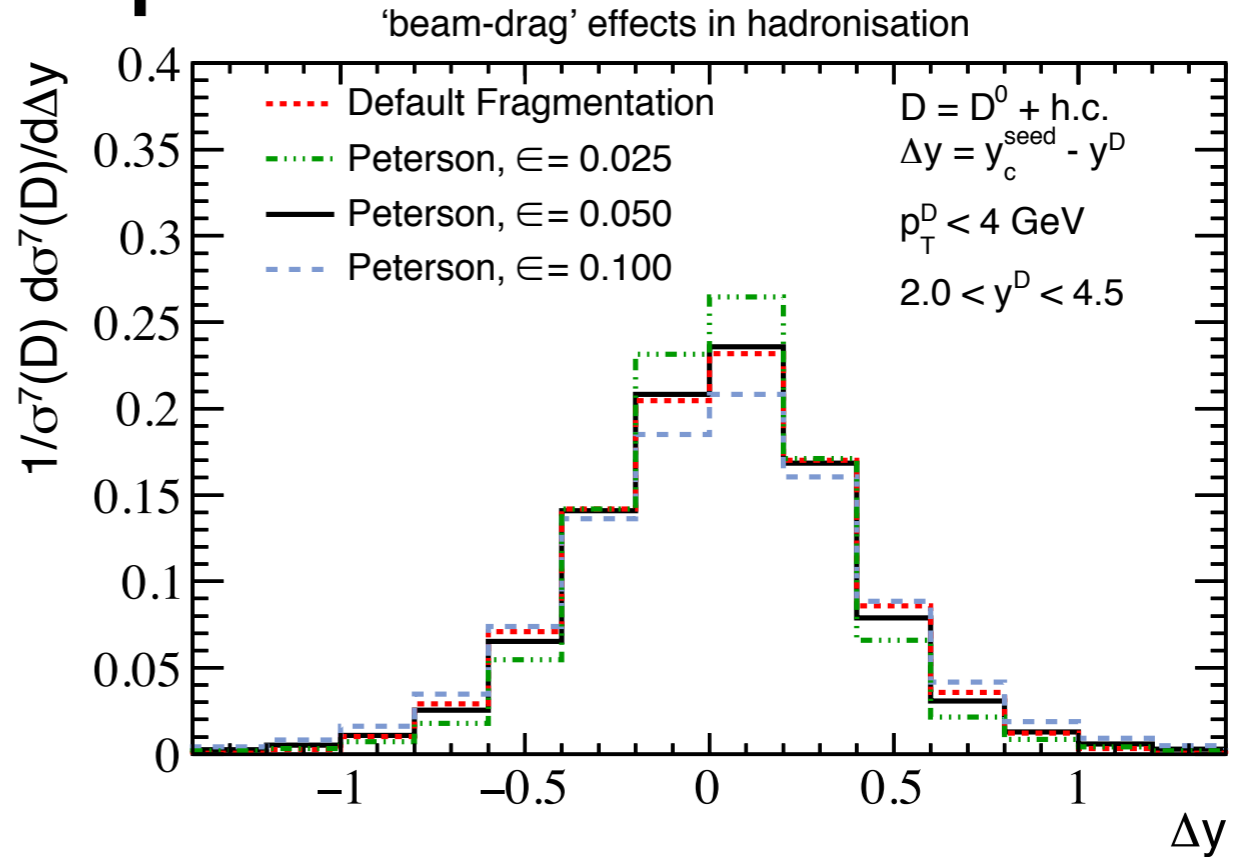
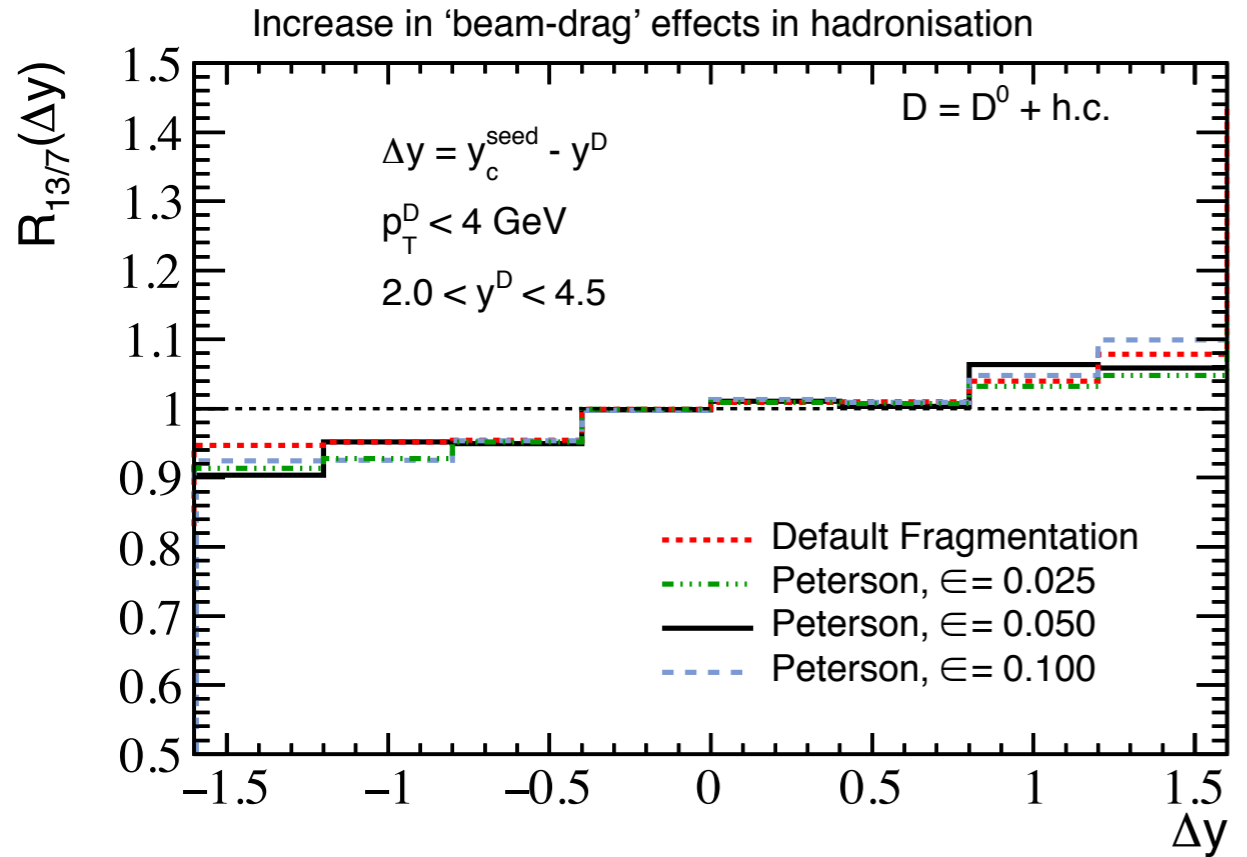
# gPDF Correlations

Correlation between inclusive LHCb ratio and gluon PDF



Gluon PDF correlation with inclusive LHCb  
13/7 Charm ratio measurement

# Useful plots





# PDF correlation matrix

