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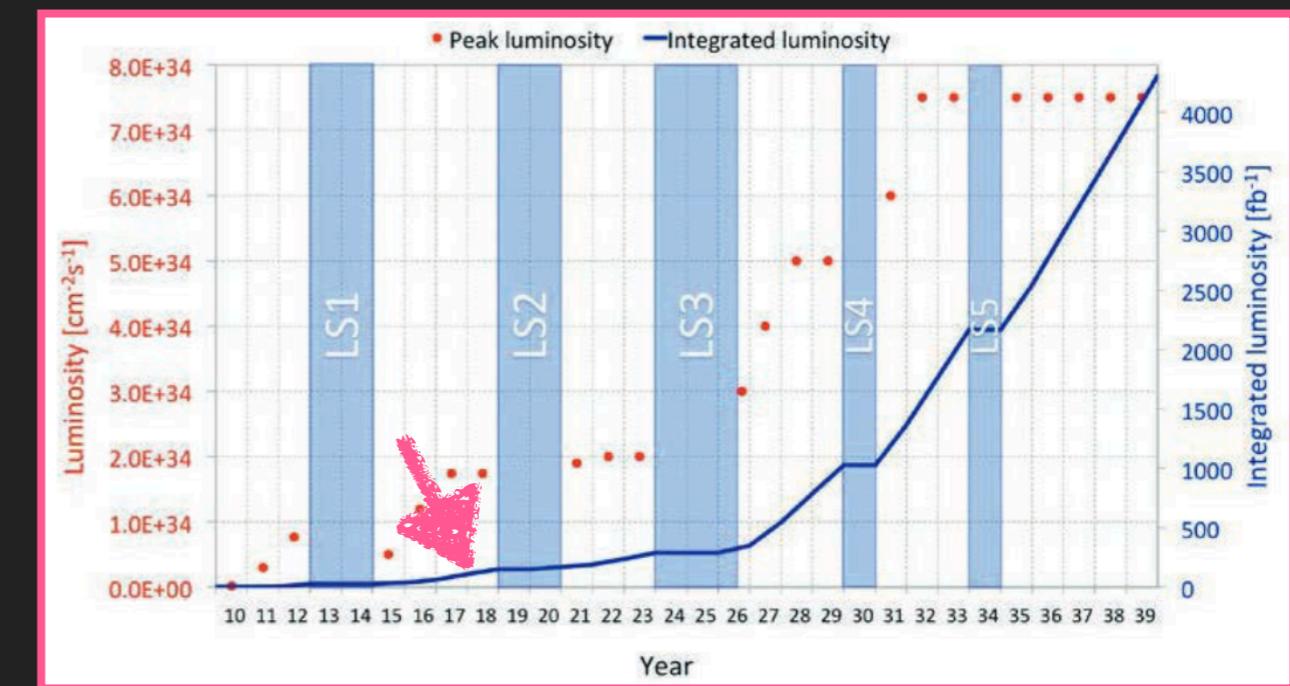
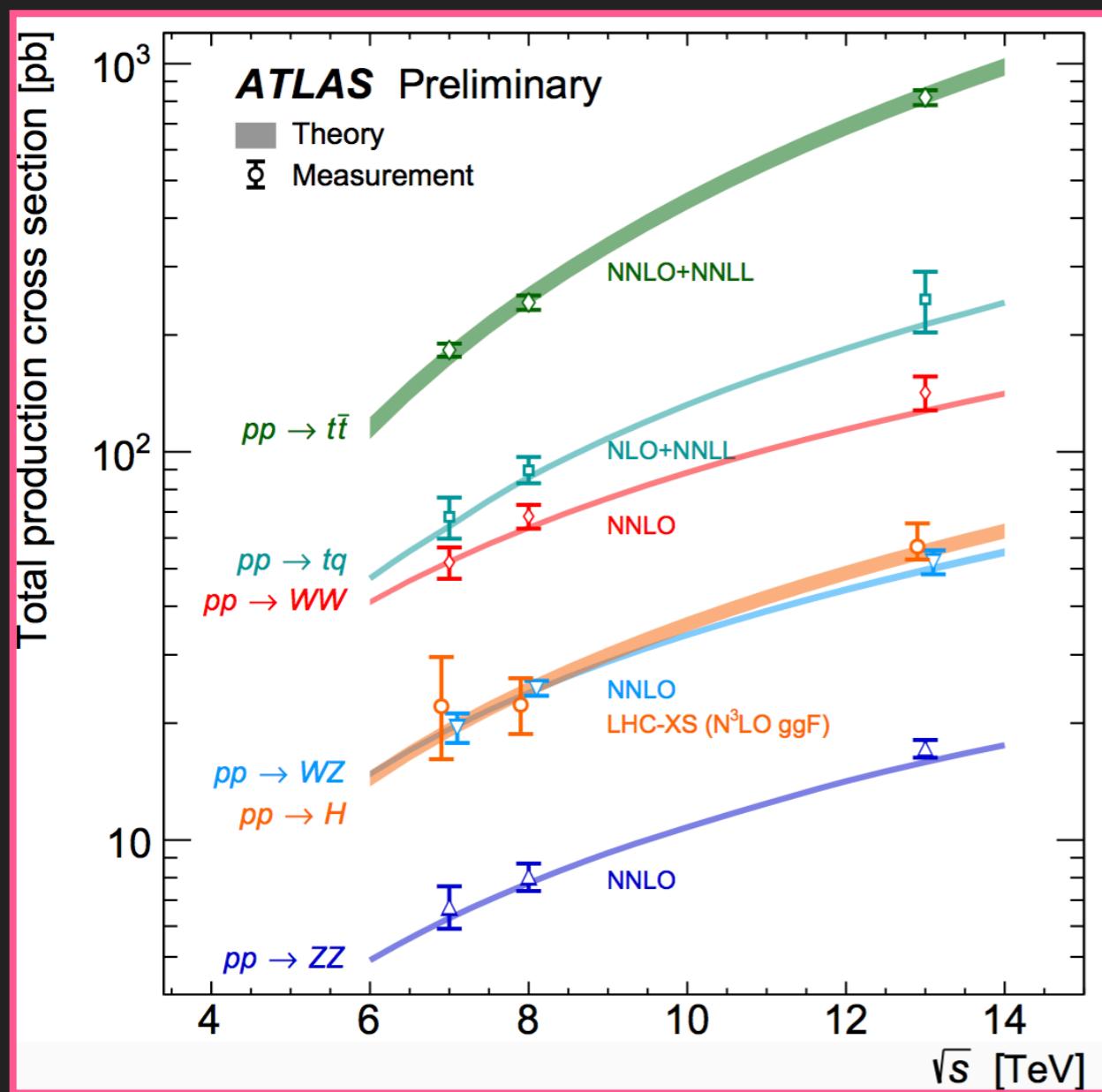
PARTON DISTRIBUTIONS FROM HIGH PRECISION DATA

HIGH ENERGY THEORY AND GENDER

CERN, 26-28 SEPTEMBER 2018

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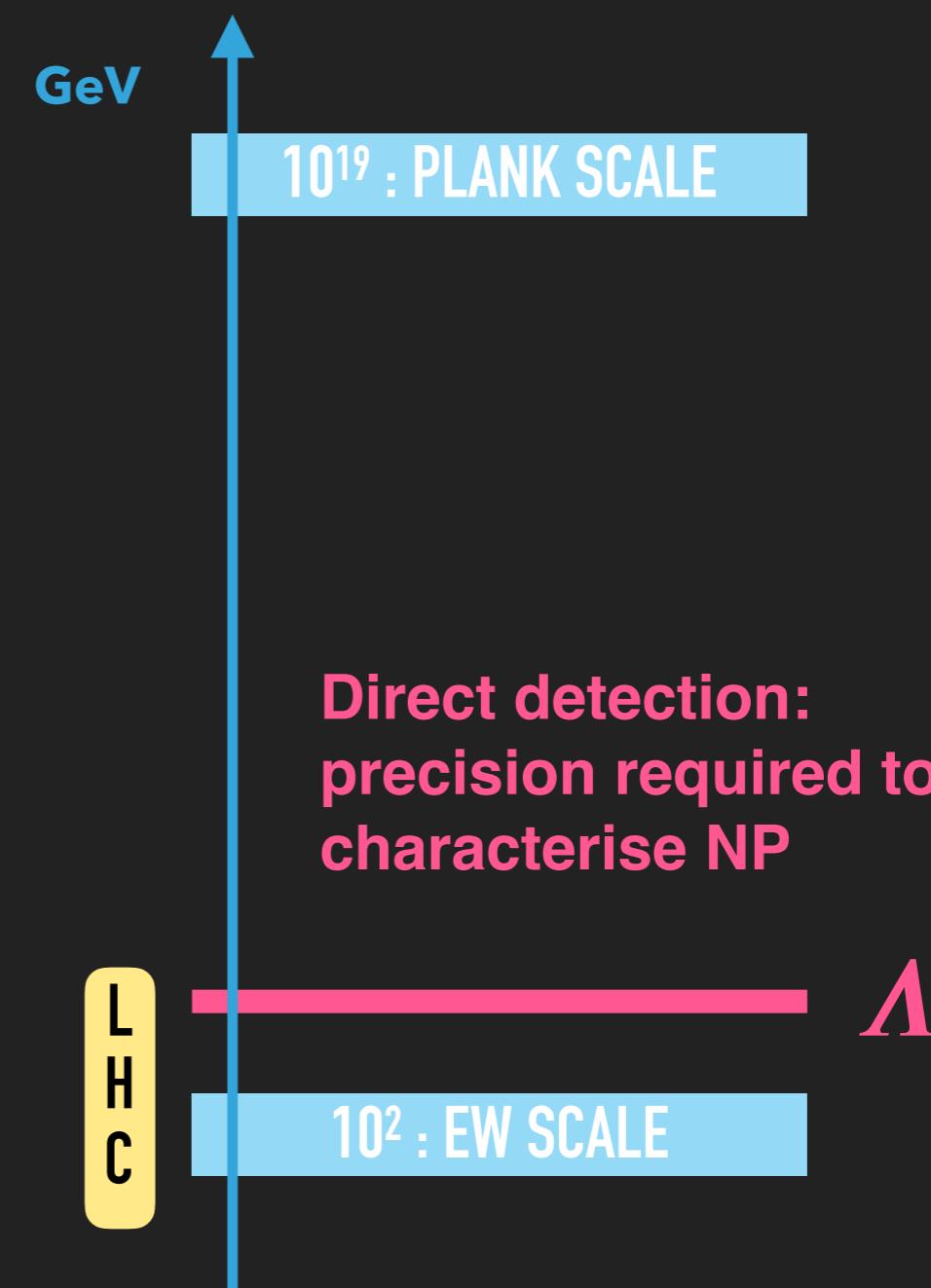
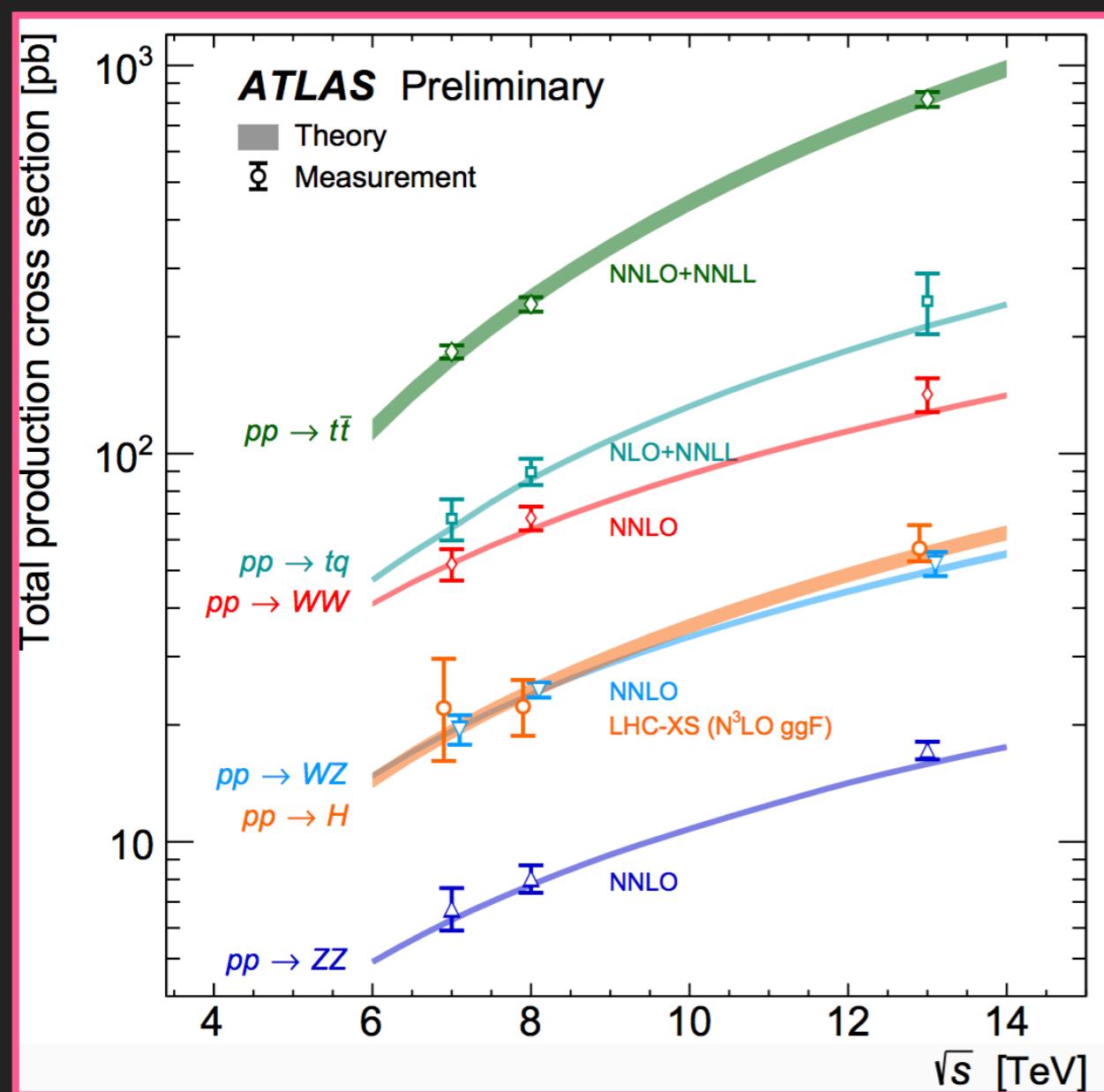


Apollinari et al., CERN Yellow Report 4 (2017)

- ★ High-Luminosity LHC
- ★ Higher mass reach
- ★ Huge increase in integrated luminosity

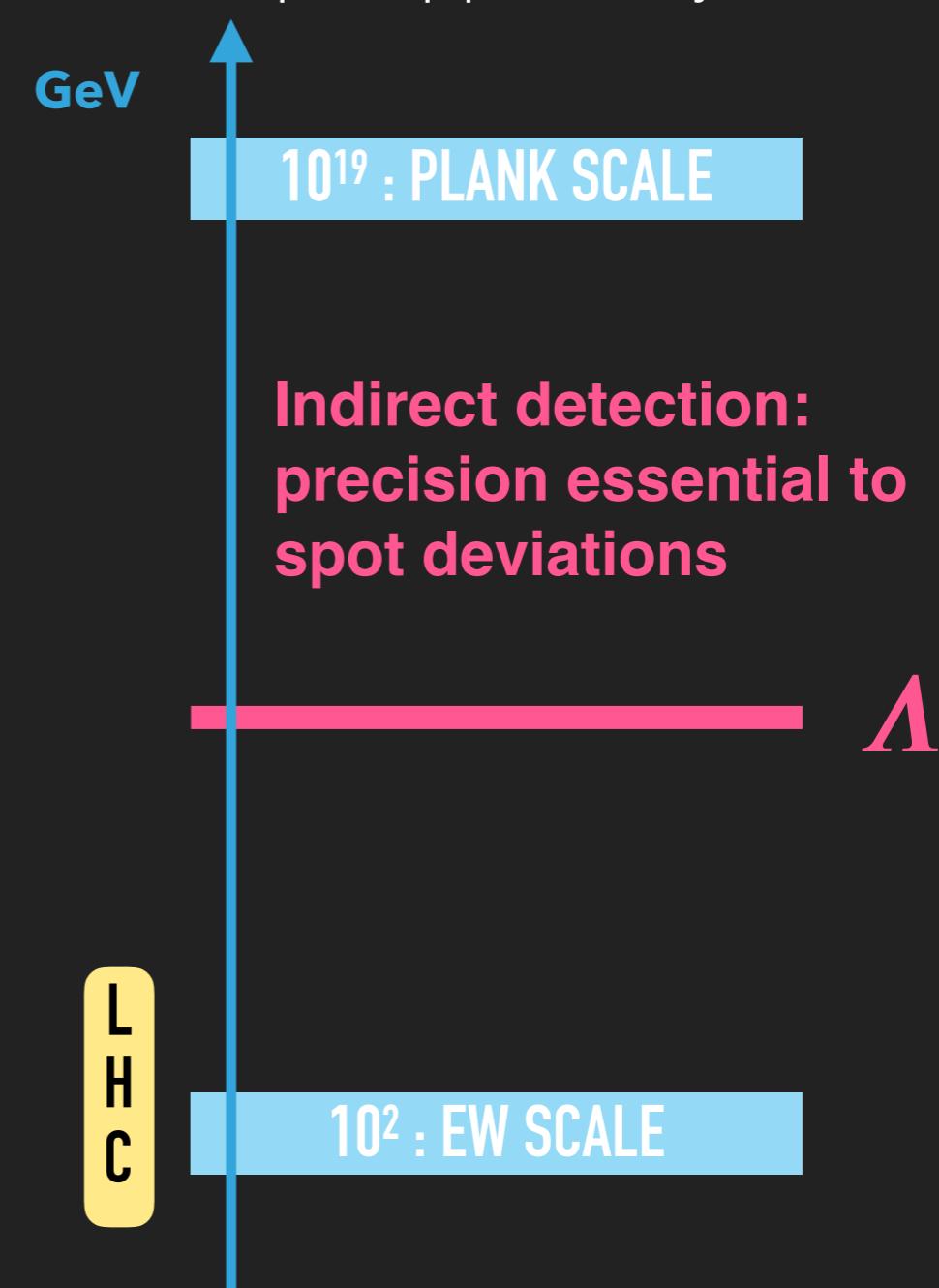
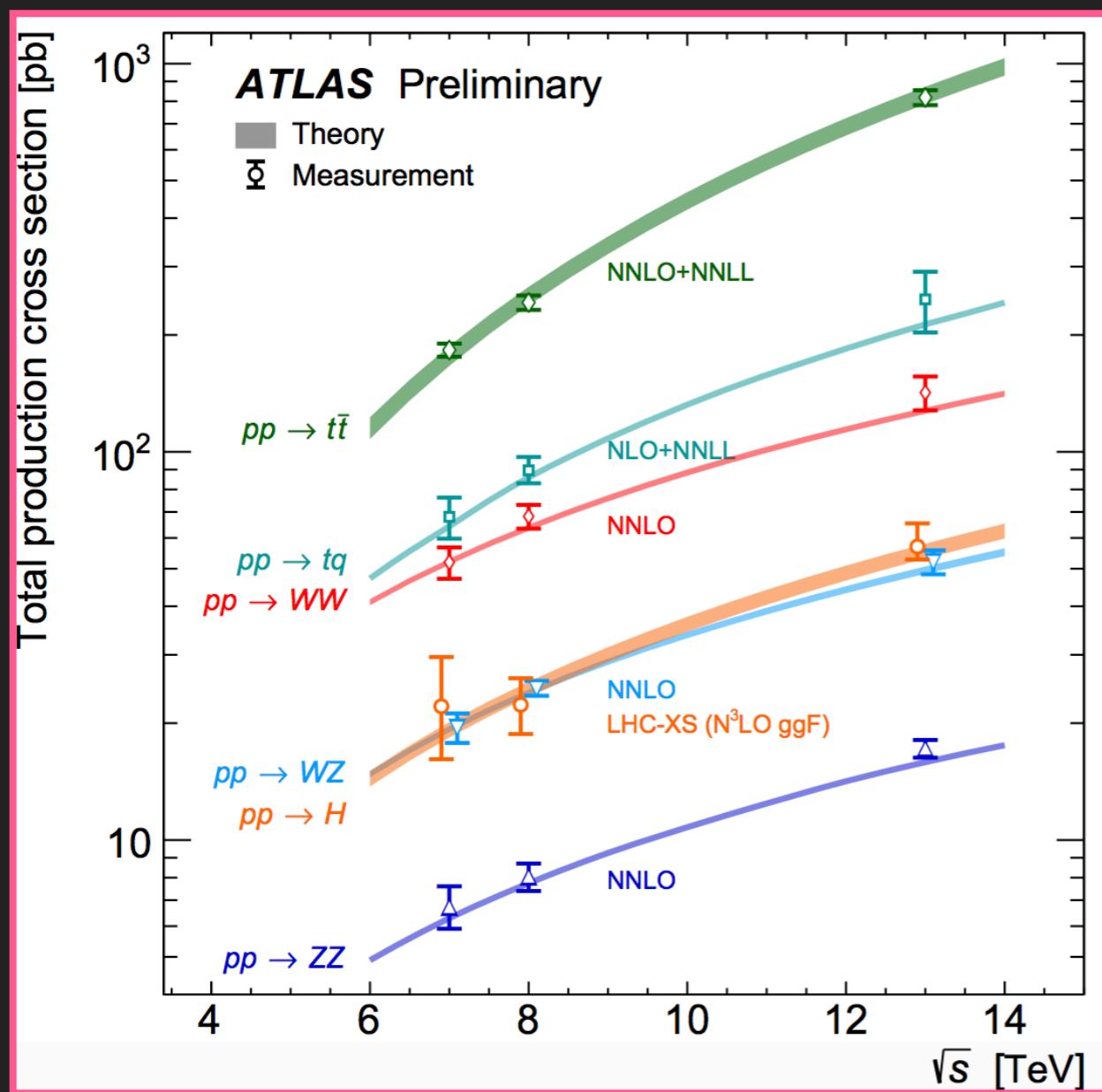
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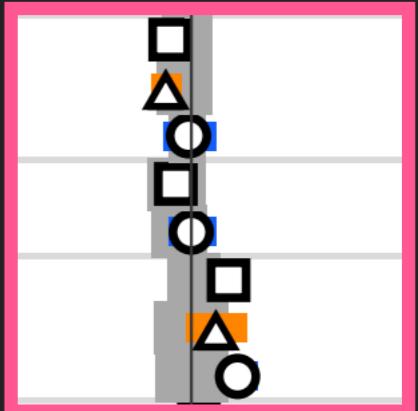
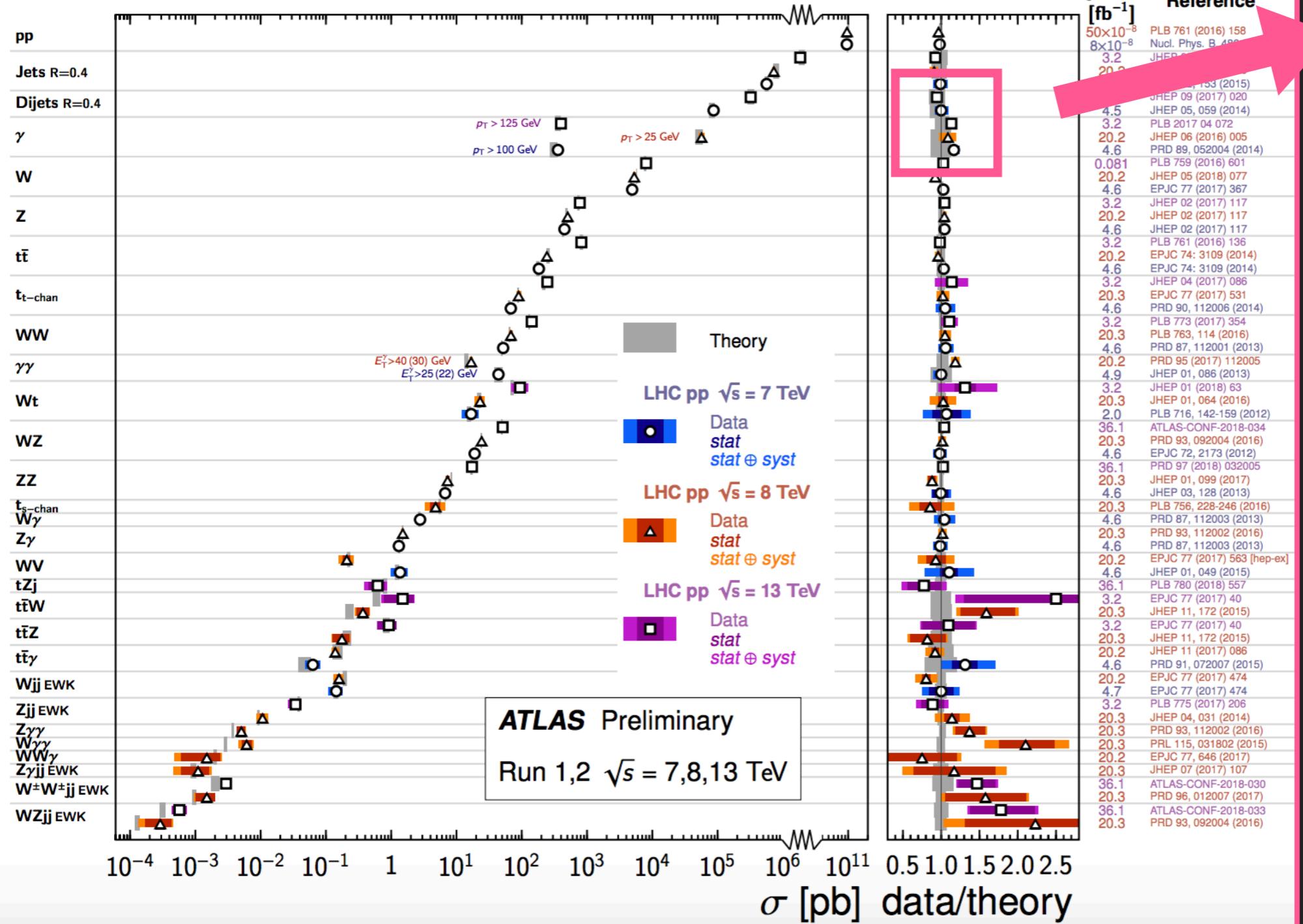
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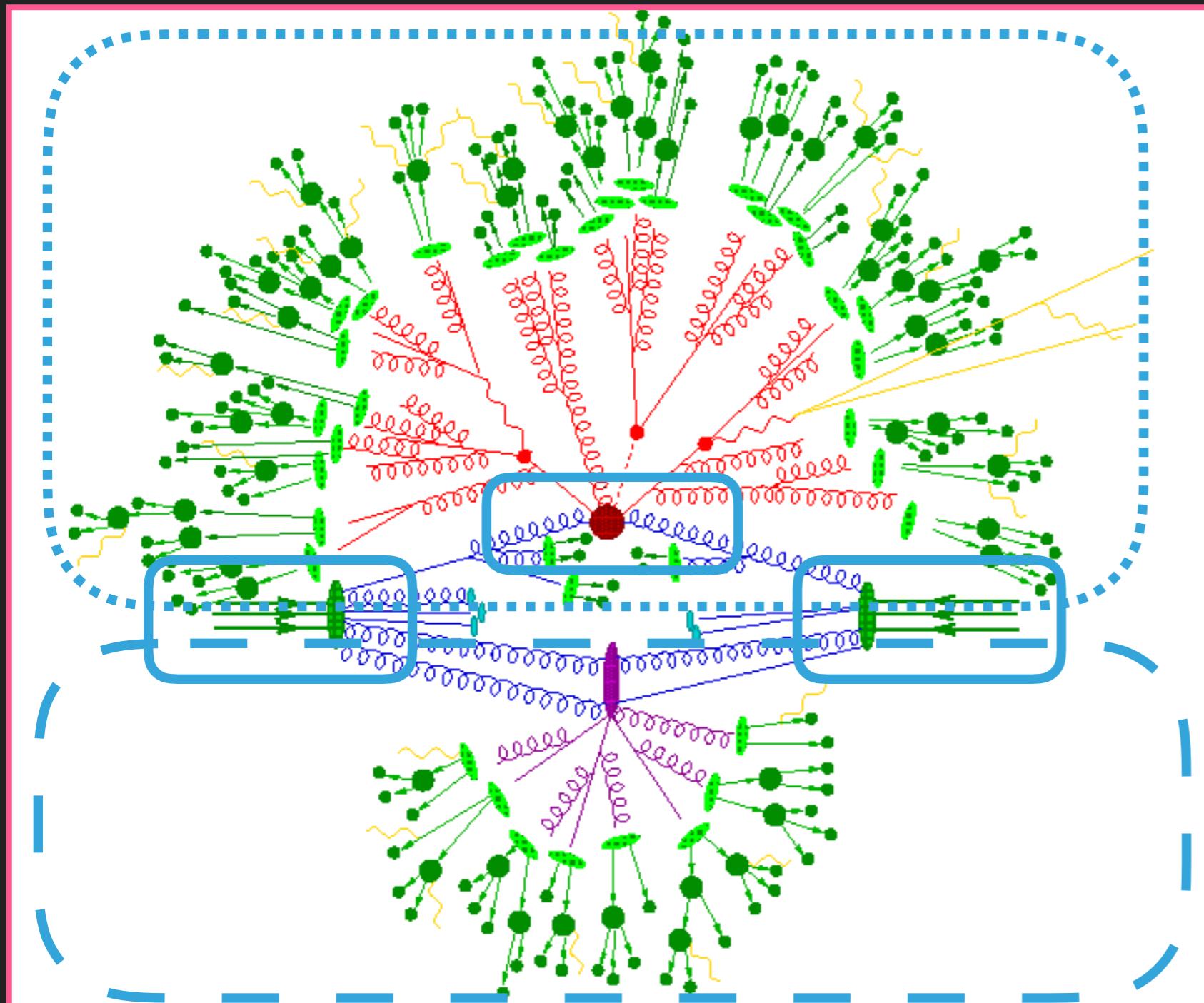
THE PRECISION CHALLENGE

Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements



Theoretical predictions must catch up with experimental precision!

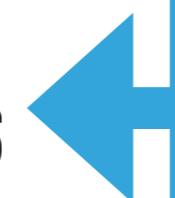
THE PRECISION INGREDIENTS



- Hard scattering of partons (Perturbative QCD+EW)
- Parton Distribution Functions
- Parton Showering and Hadronization
- Multiple Parton Interaction, Underlying Events

OUTLINE OF MY TALK

- INTRODUCTION
 - ➡ WHAT PDFS ARE
 - ➡ WHY THEY CRUCIAL AT HADRON COLLIDERS
- HOW PDFS BECAME PRECISION PHYSICS
 - ➡ EXPERIMENTAL DATA
 - ➡ THEORY PROGRESS
 - ➡ ROBUST STATISTICS
- NEW FRONTIERS
 - ➡ THEORETICAL UNCERTAINTIES IN PDFS
 - ➡ PDFS AND NEW PHYSICS



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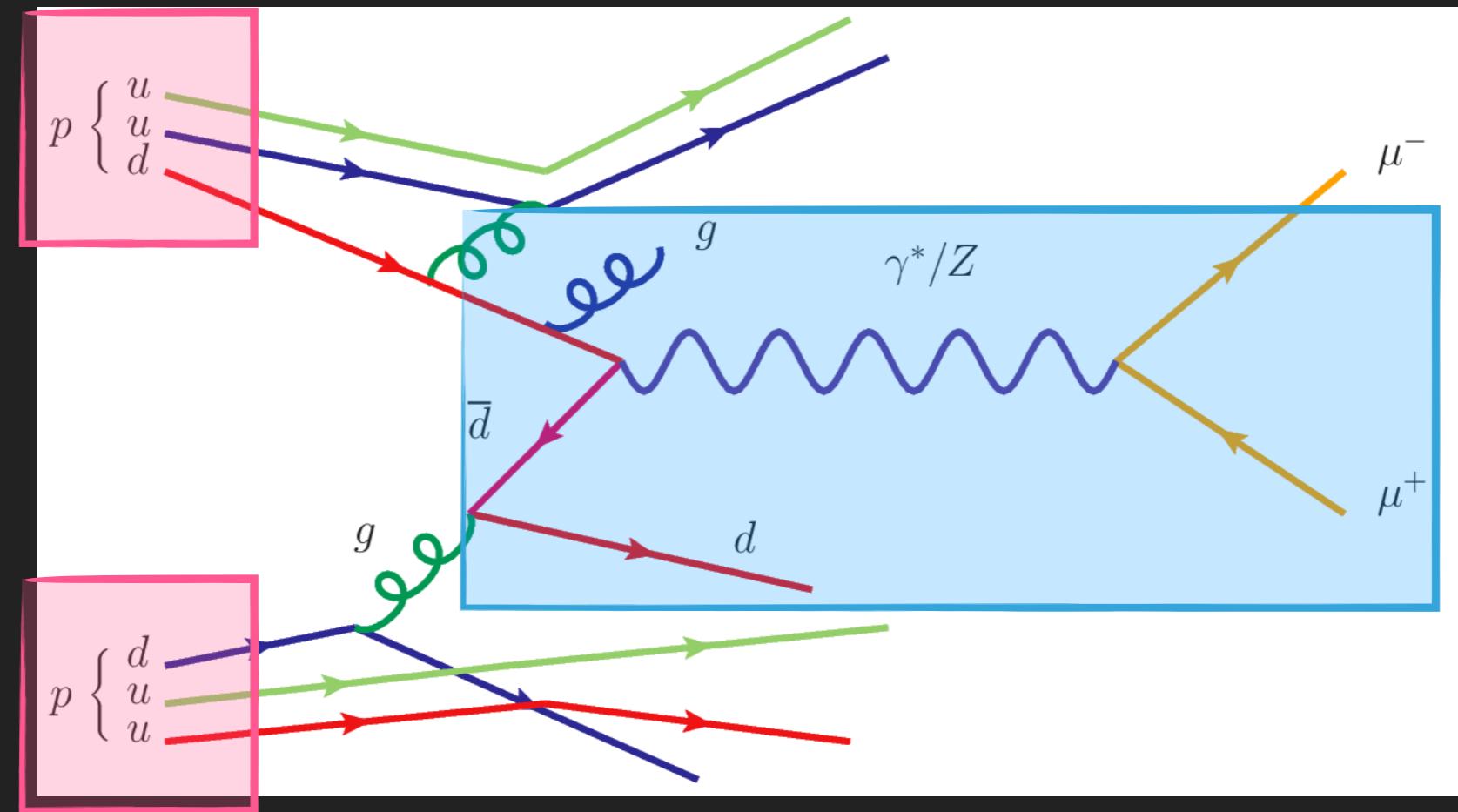
PART I

INTRODUCTION

WHAT PDFS ARE

Parton
Distribution
Functions
(non-perturbative)

Hard
Scattering
(Perturbative
QCD)



$$\frac{d\sigma^{pp \rightarrow ab}}{dX} = \sum_{i,j} \int \frac{dz_1}{z_1} \frac{dz_2}{z_2} f_i(z_1, \mu_F) f_j(z_2, \mu_F) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}^{ij \rightarrow ab}}{dX}(z_1 z_2 S, \alpha_s(\mu_R), \mu_F) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda}{S}\right)$$

- ★ Universal: PDFs do not depend on hard scattering process
- ★ Dependence on scale μ predicted by pQCD (DGLAP evolution equations)

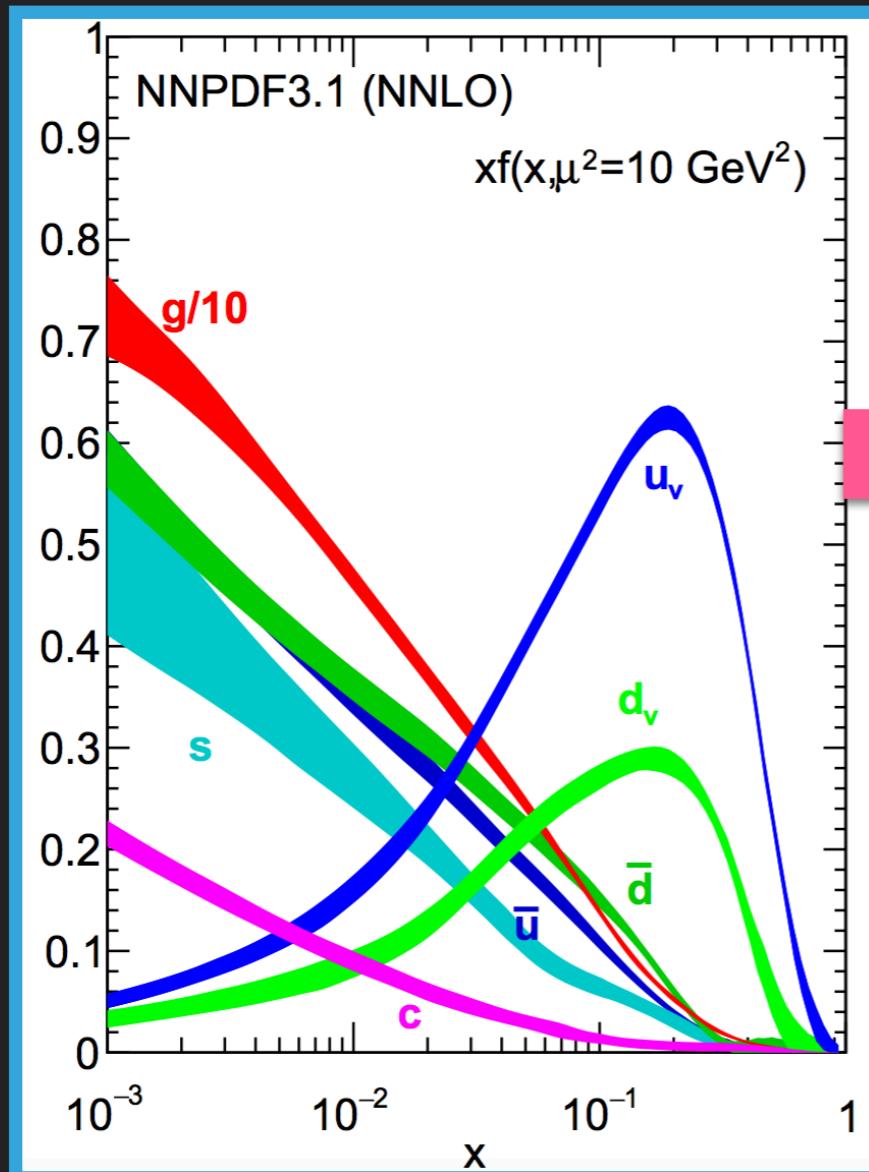
WHAT PDFS ARE

$f_i(x, \mu)$

Data

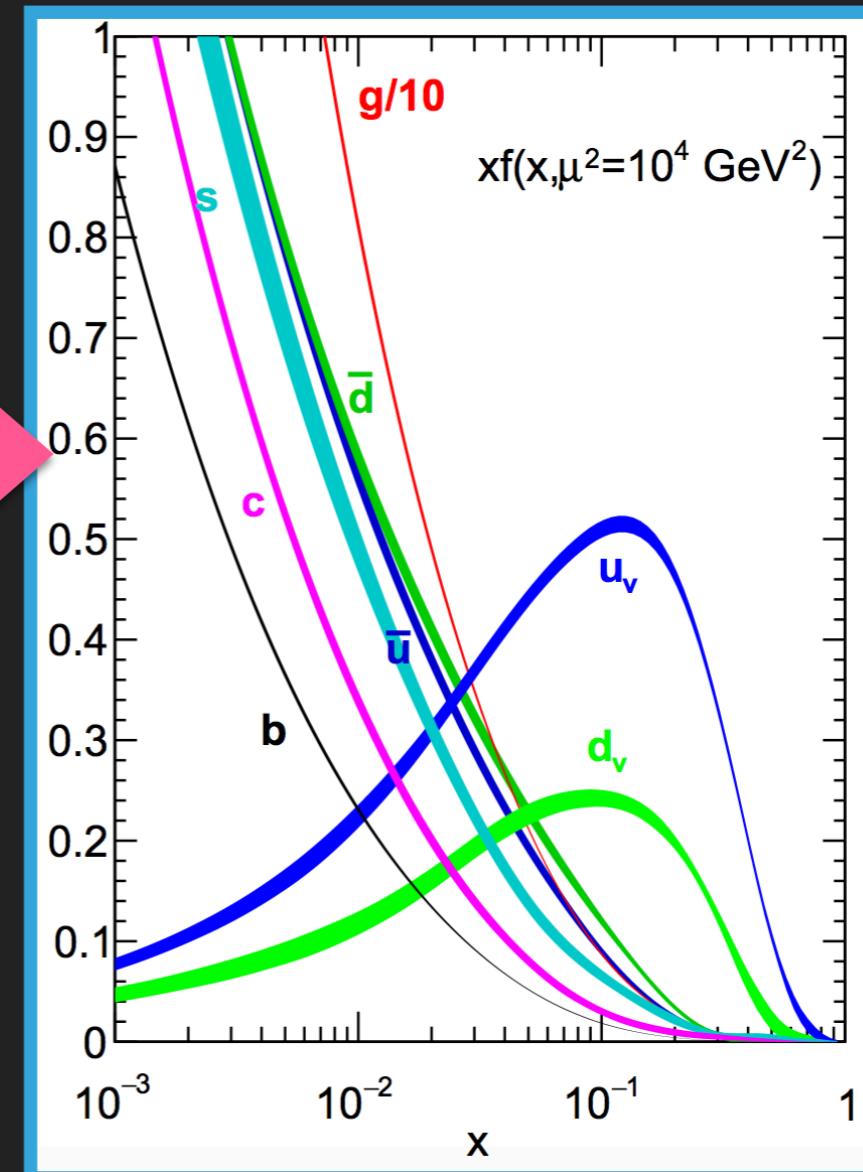
Perturbative QCD

Hadronic scale:
global fit of PDFs



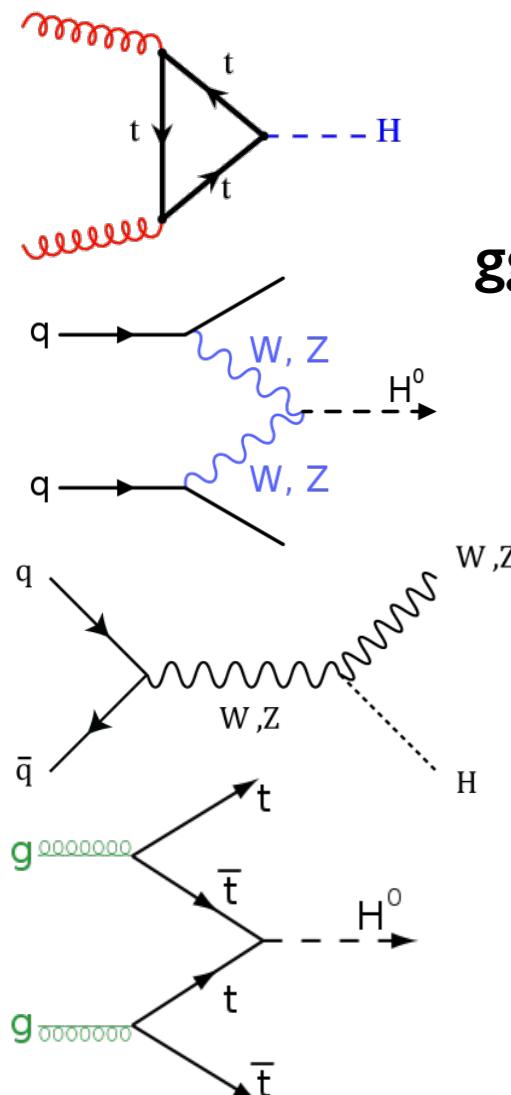
pQCD

High scale:
input to the LHC



WHY THEY ARE CRUCIAL

Yellow Report 3 (2013)



Higgs Production Channel

ggF (N2LO+N2LL)

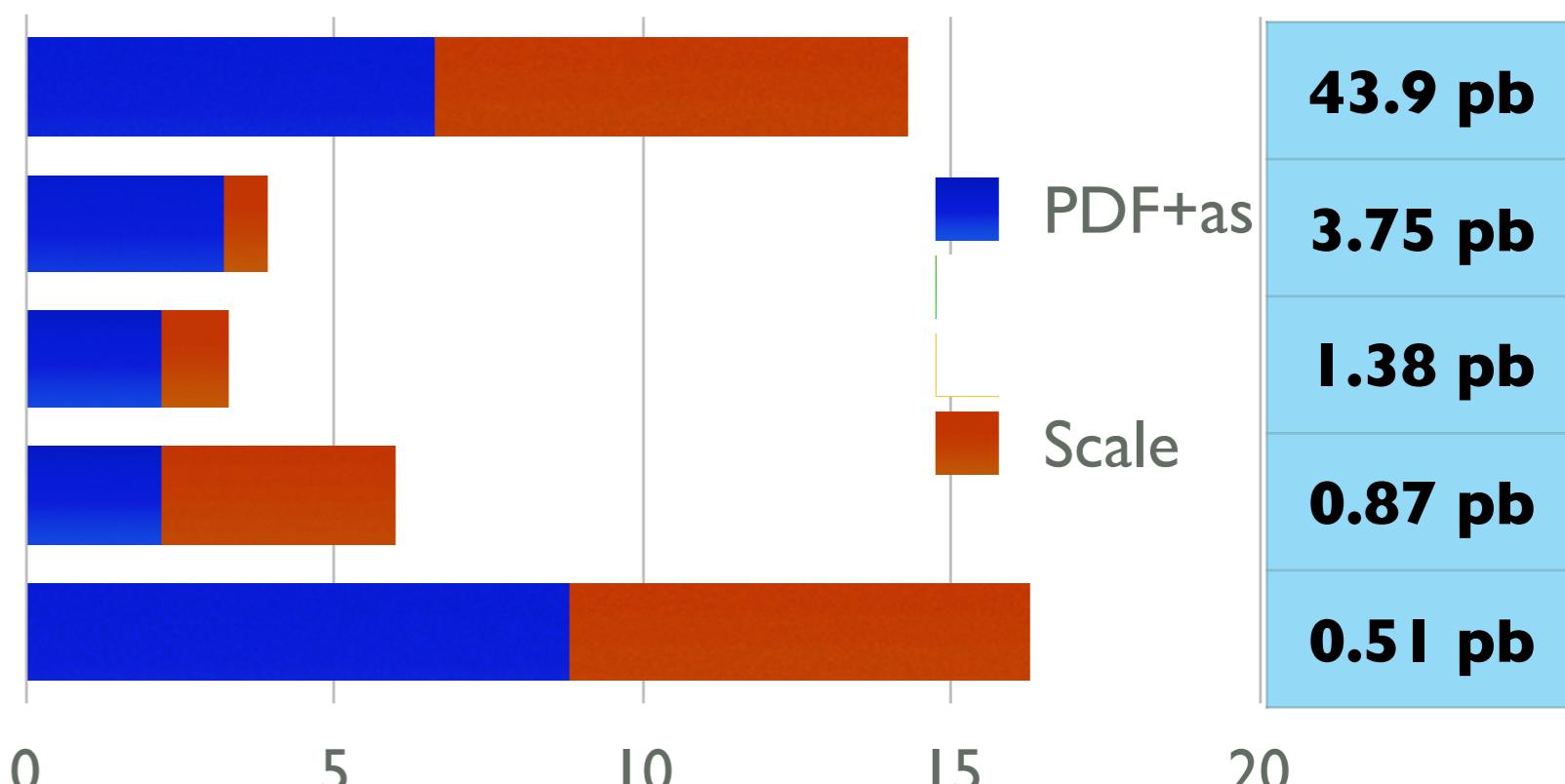
VBF (N2LO)

WH (N2LO)

ZH (N2LO)

ttH(N1LO)

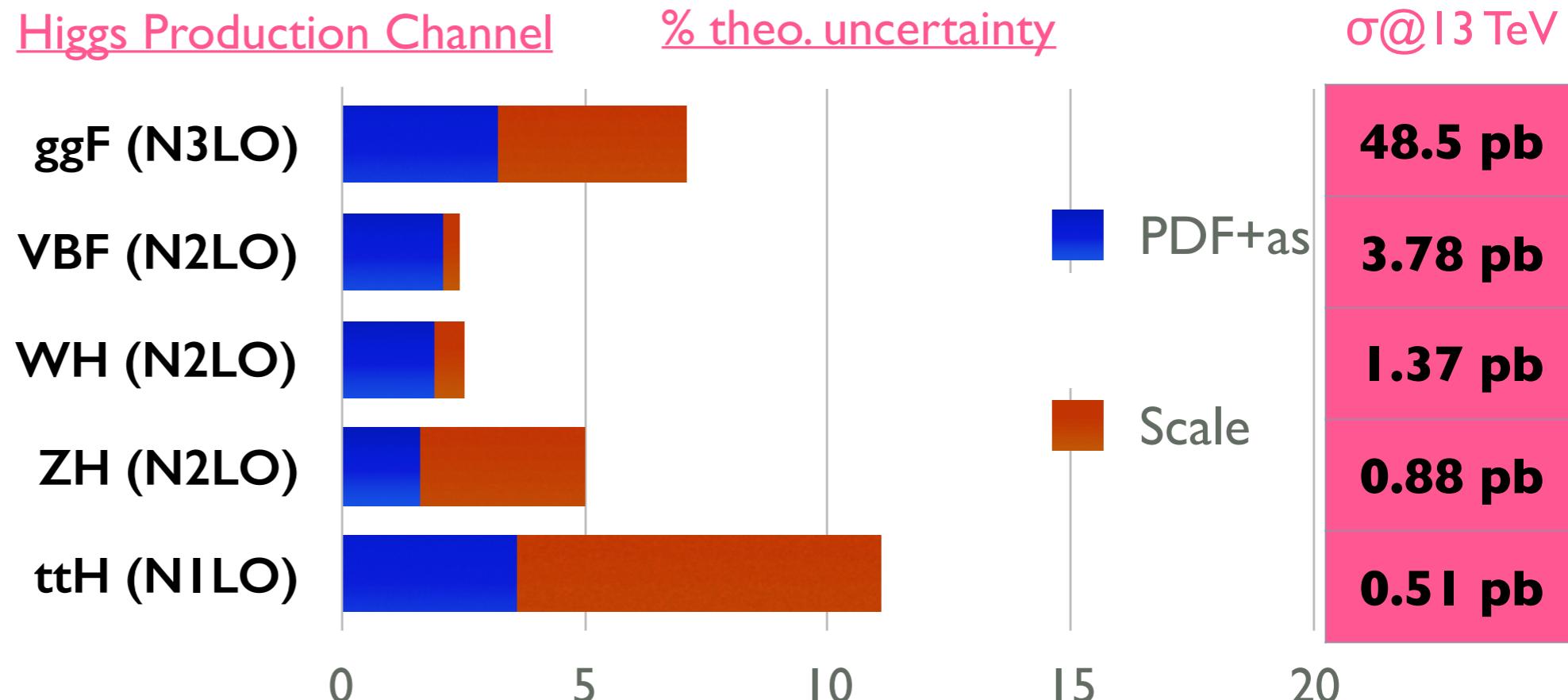
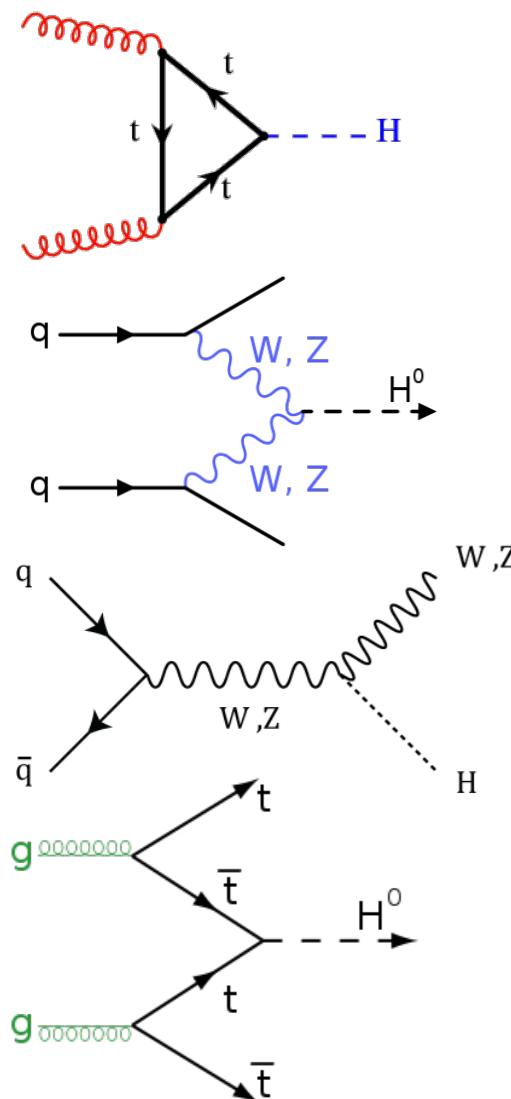
% theo. uncertainty



PDF uncertainties limiting factor in the accuracy of theoretical predictions

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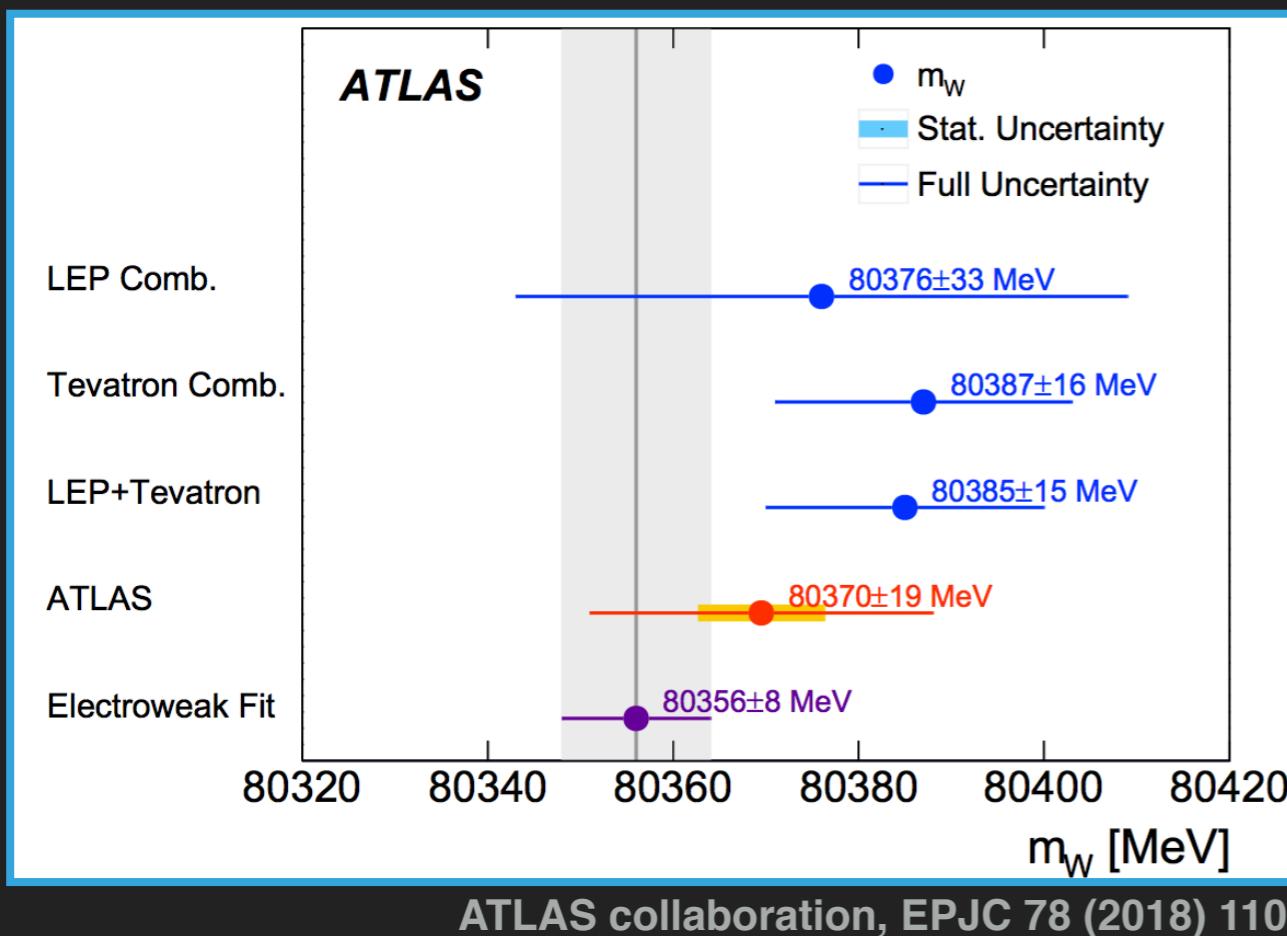
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PDF uncertainties down to 1-5%
but crucial for Higgs physics

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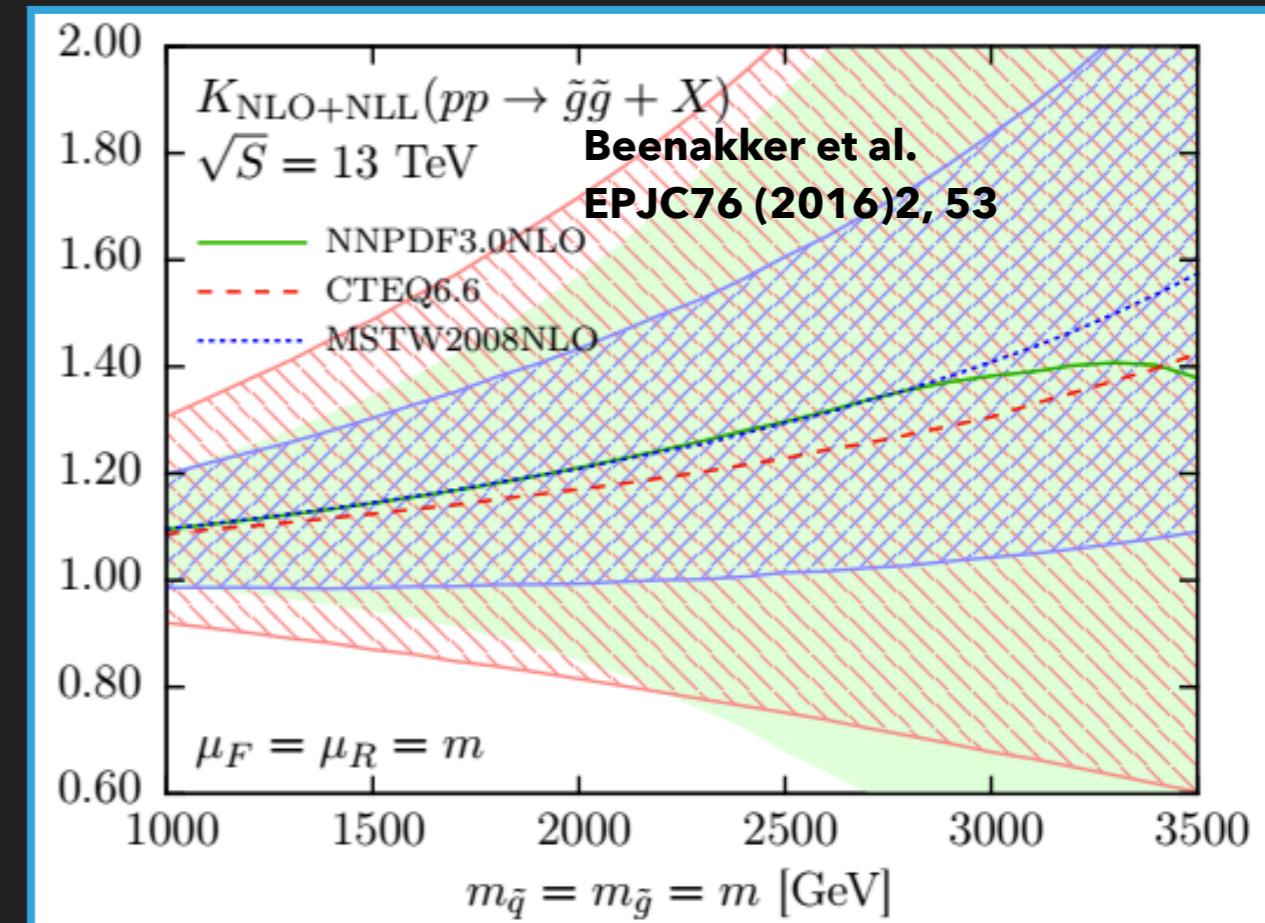
M_w determination



Channel	$m_{W^+} - m_{W^-}$ [MeV]	Stat. Unc.	Muon Unc.	Elec. Unc.	Recoil Unc.	Bckg. Unc.	QCD Unc.	EW Unc.	PDF Unc.	Total Unc.
$W \rightarrow e\nu$	-29.7	17.5	0.0	4.9	0.9	5.4	0.5	0.0	24.1	30.7
$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$	-28.6	16.3	11.7	0.0	1.1	5.0	0.4	0.0	26.0	33.2
Combined	-29.2	12.8	3.3	4.1	1.0	4.5	0.4	0.0	23.9	28.0

Fundamental parameters of SM

Gluino production



Beenakker et al., EPJC 76 (2016) 2

New physics searches/characterisation

PART II

HOW PDFS BECAME PRECISION PHYSICS

A TREMENDOUS PROGRESS

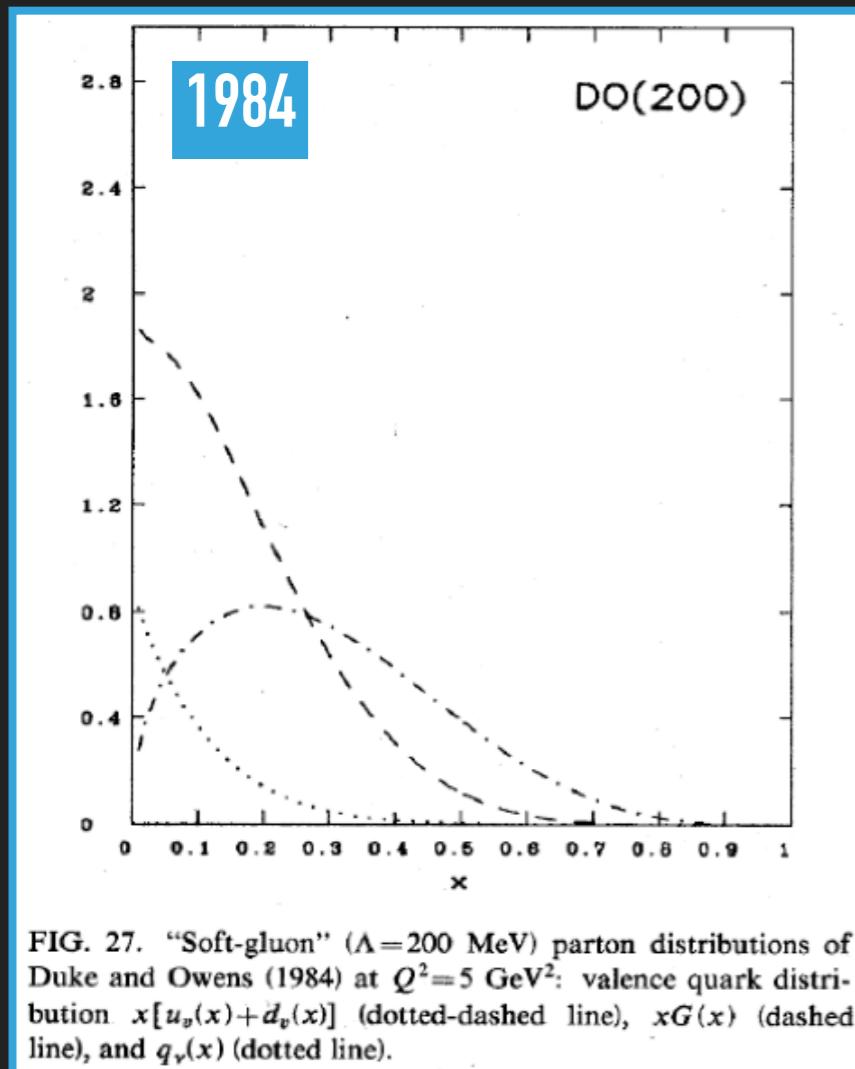
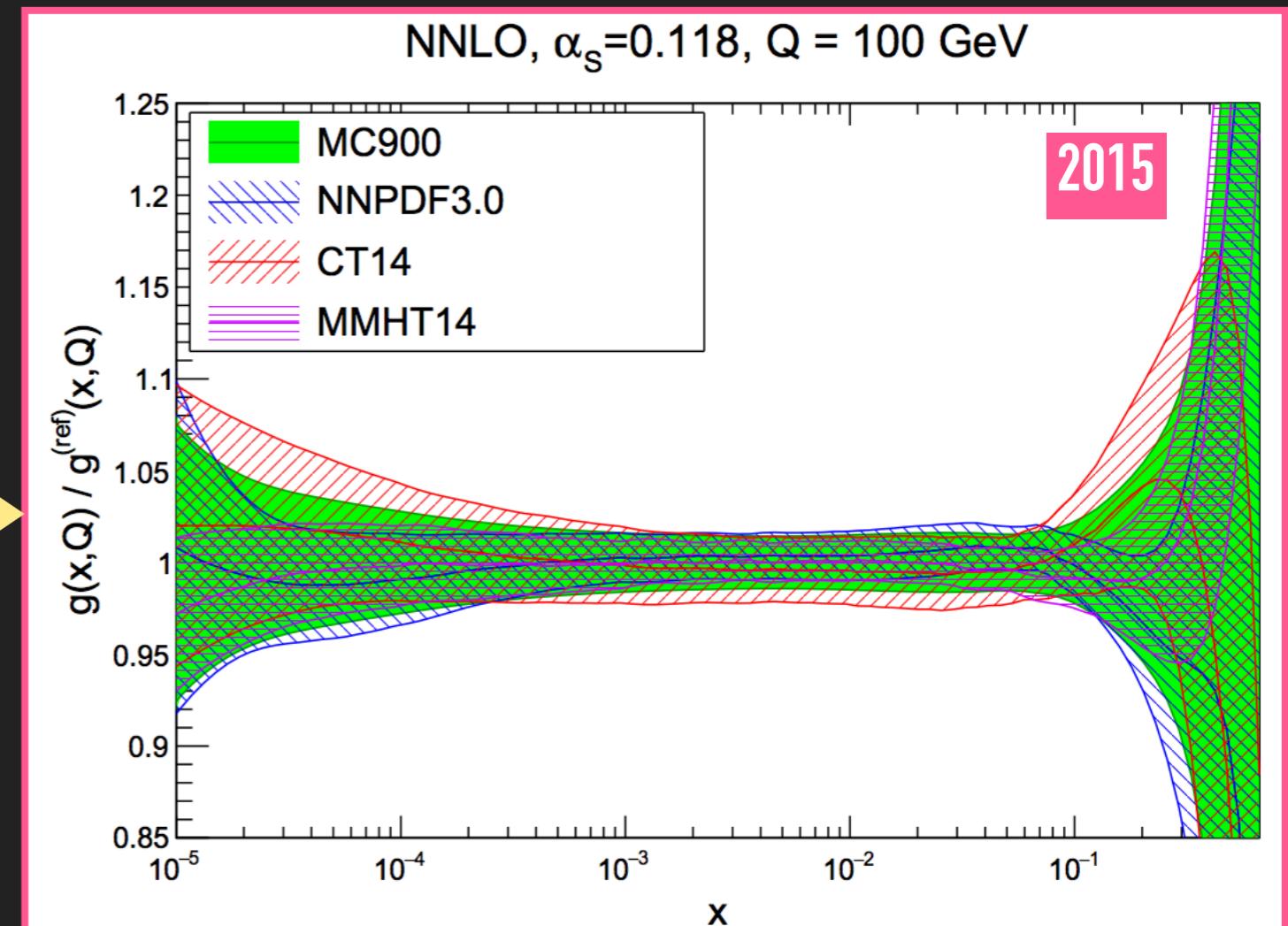


FIG. 27. “Soft-gluon” ($\Lambda=200$ MeV) parton distributions of Duke and Owens (1984) at $Q^2=5 \text{ GeV}^2$: valence quark distribution $x[u_v(x) + d_v(x)]$ (dotted-dashed line), $xG(x)$ (dashed line), and $q_v(x)$ (dotted line).

Rev.. Mod. Phys. 1984



PDF4LHC recommendation 2015
J.Phys. G43 (2016) 023001

- ★ 30 years of steady progress in PDF community have produced a huge impact on understanding of proton structure and precision physics

A COMPLEX MACHINERY

EXPERIMENTAL DATA

- ▶ FIXET TARGET EXPERIMENTS, TEVATRON, HERA, LHC...
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- ▶ PDF UNCERTAINTIES AND PROPAGATION
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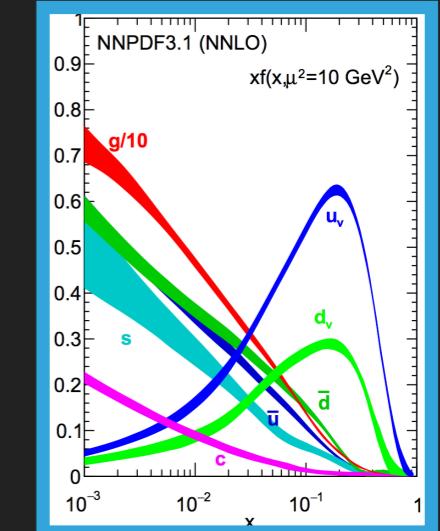
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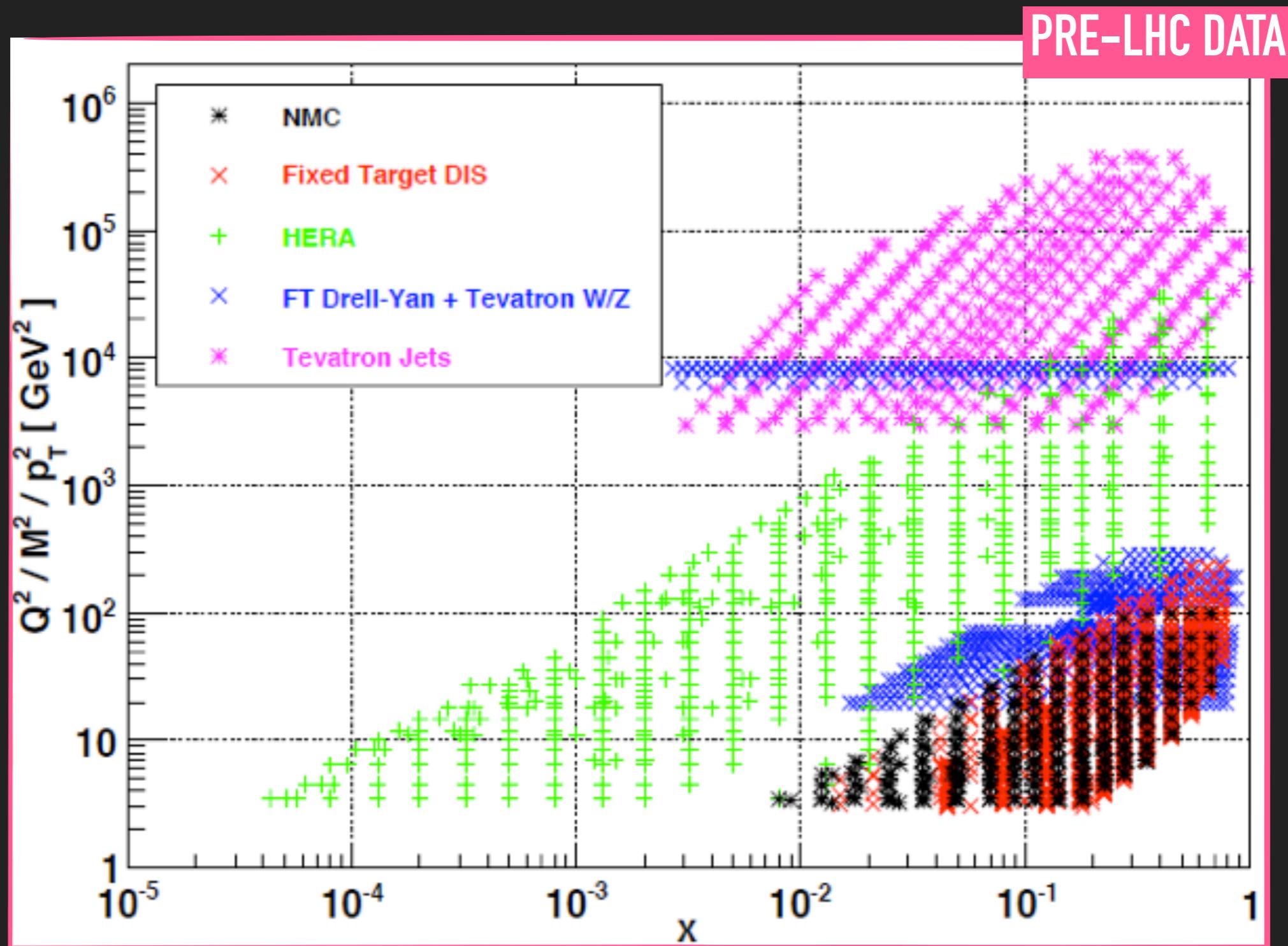
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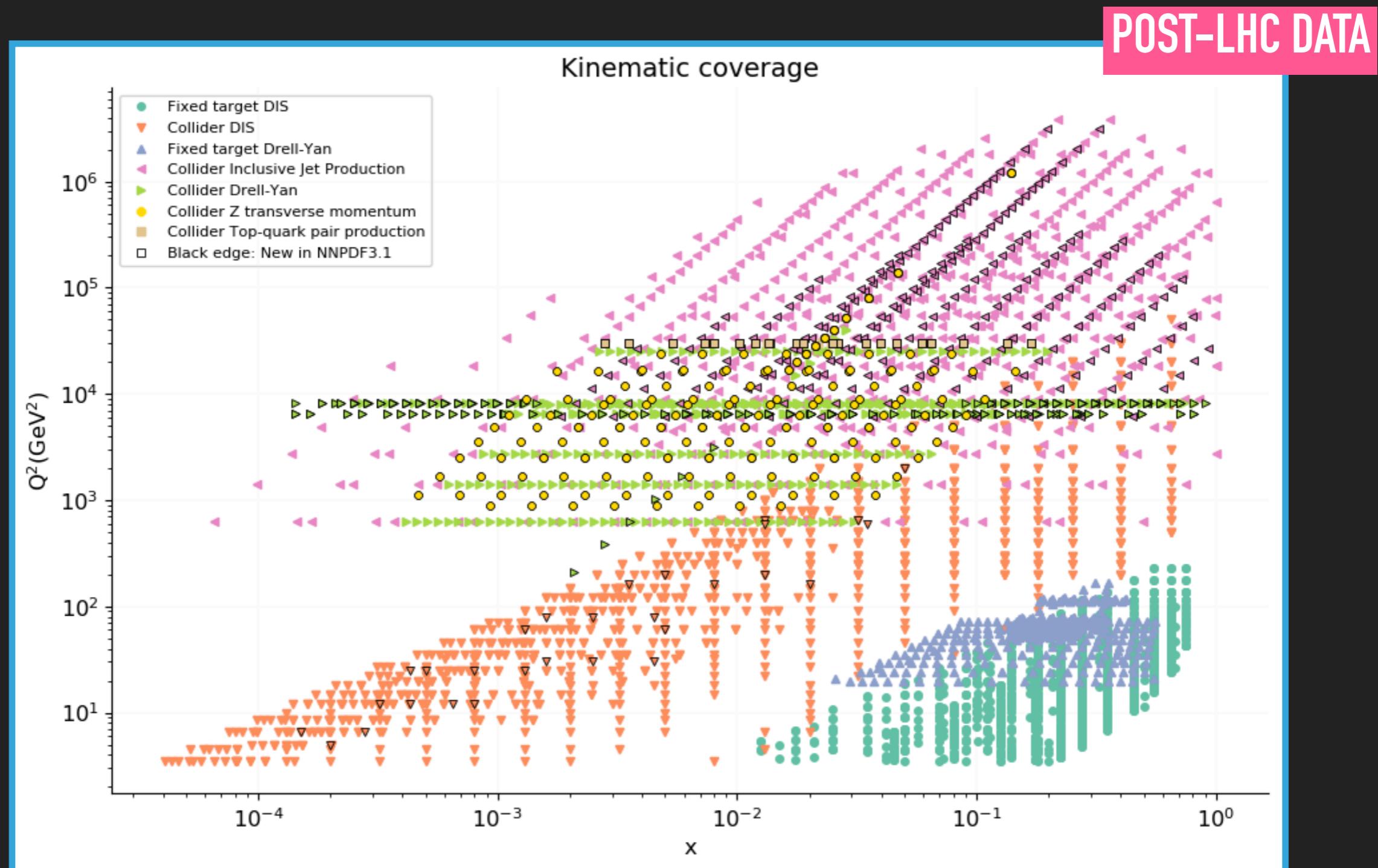
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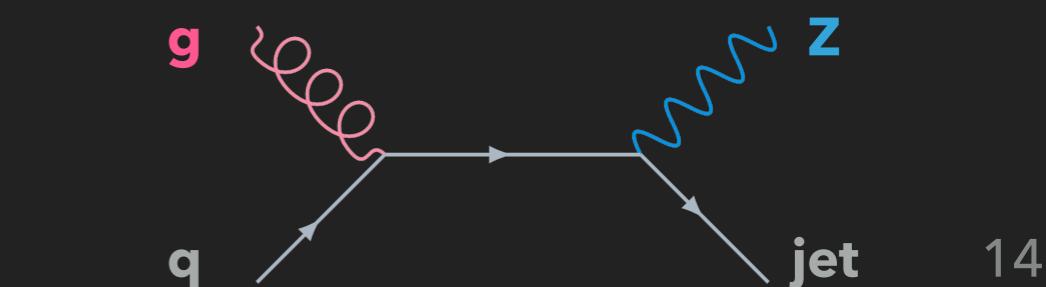
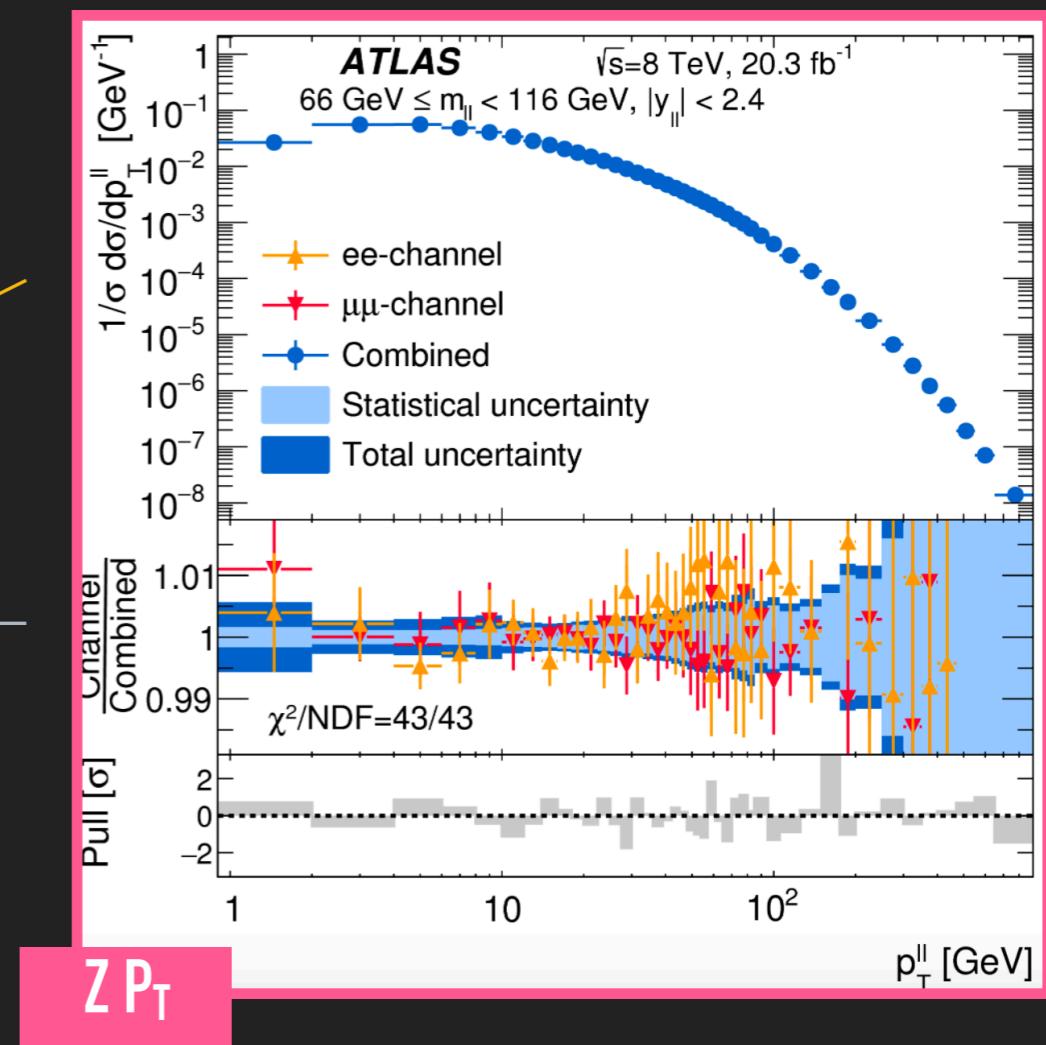
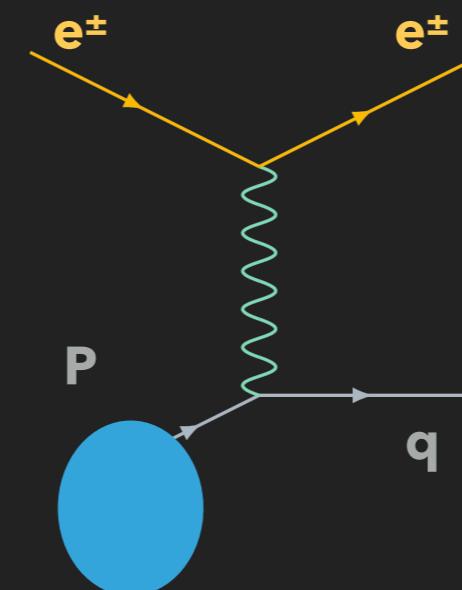
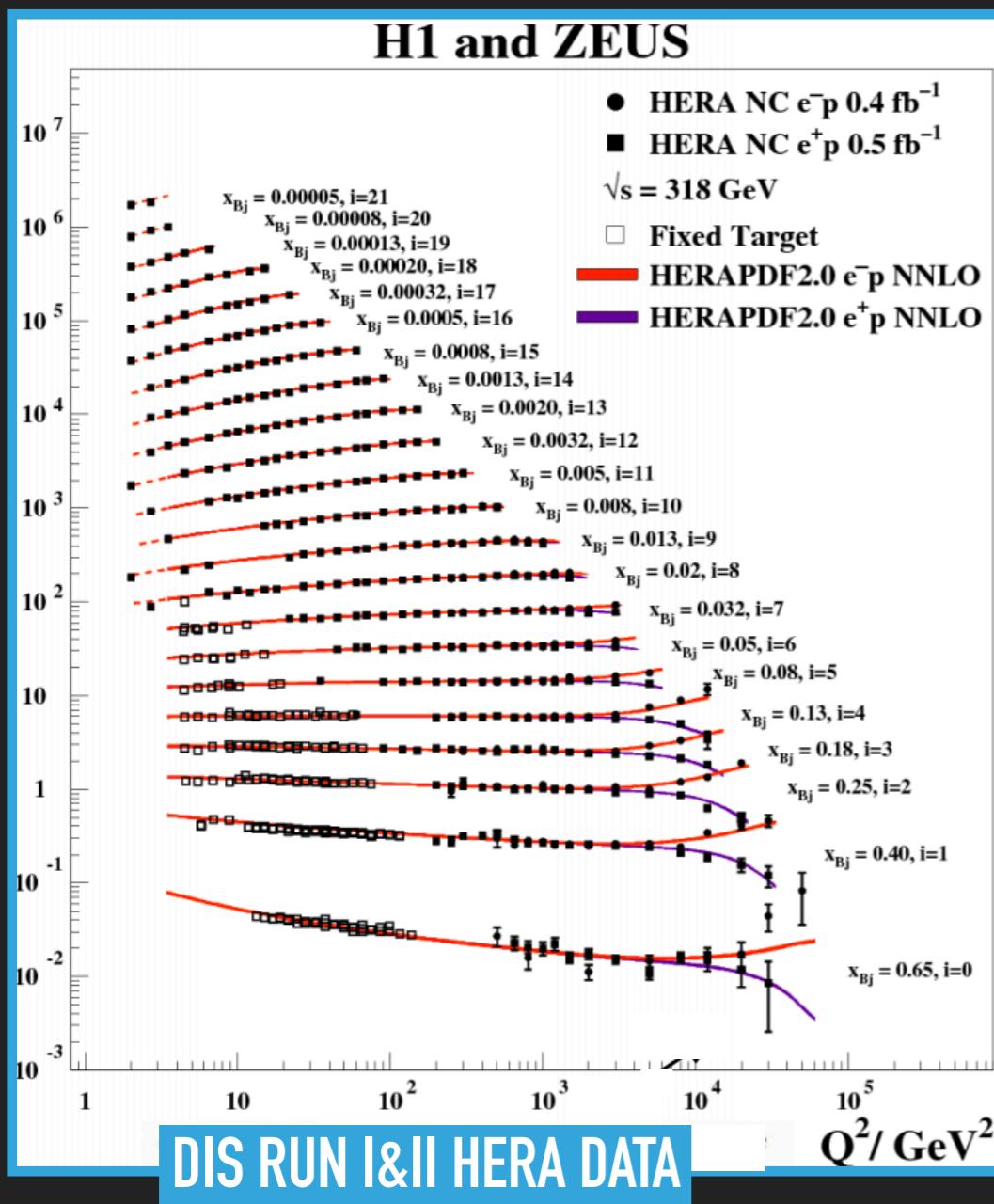


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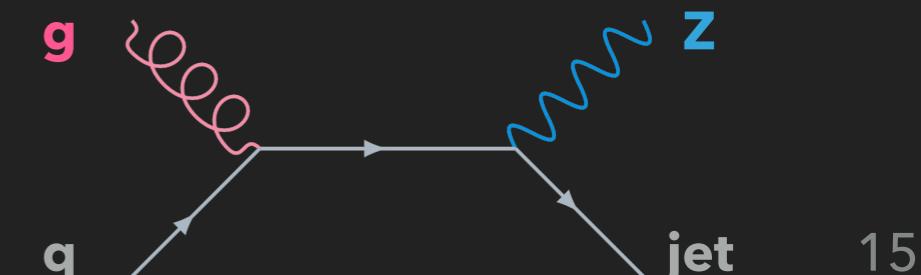
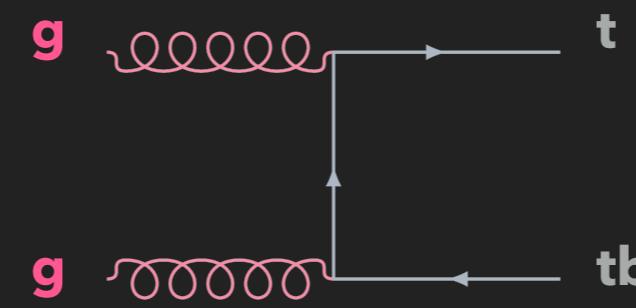
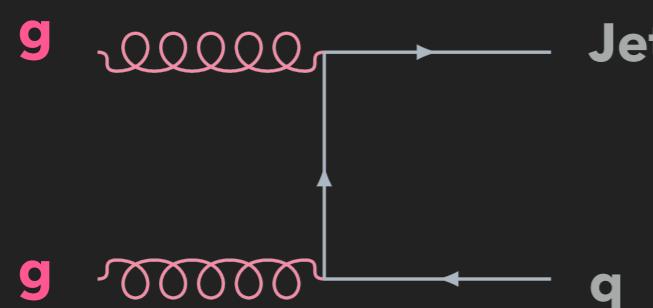
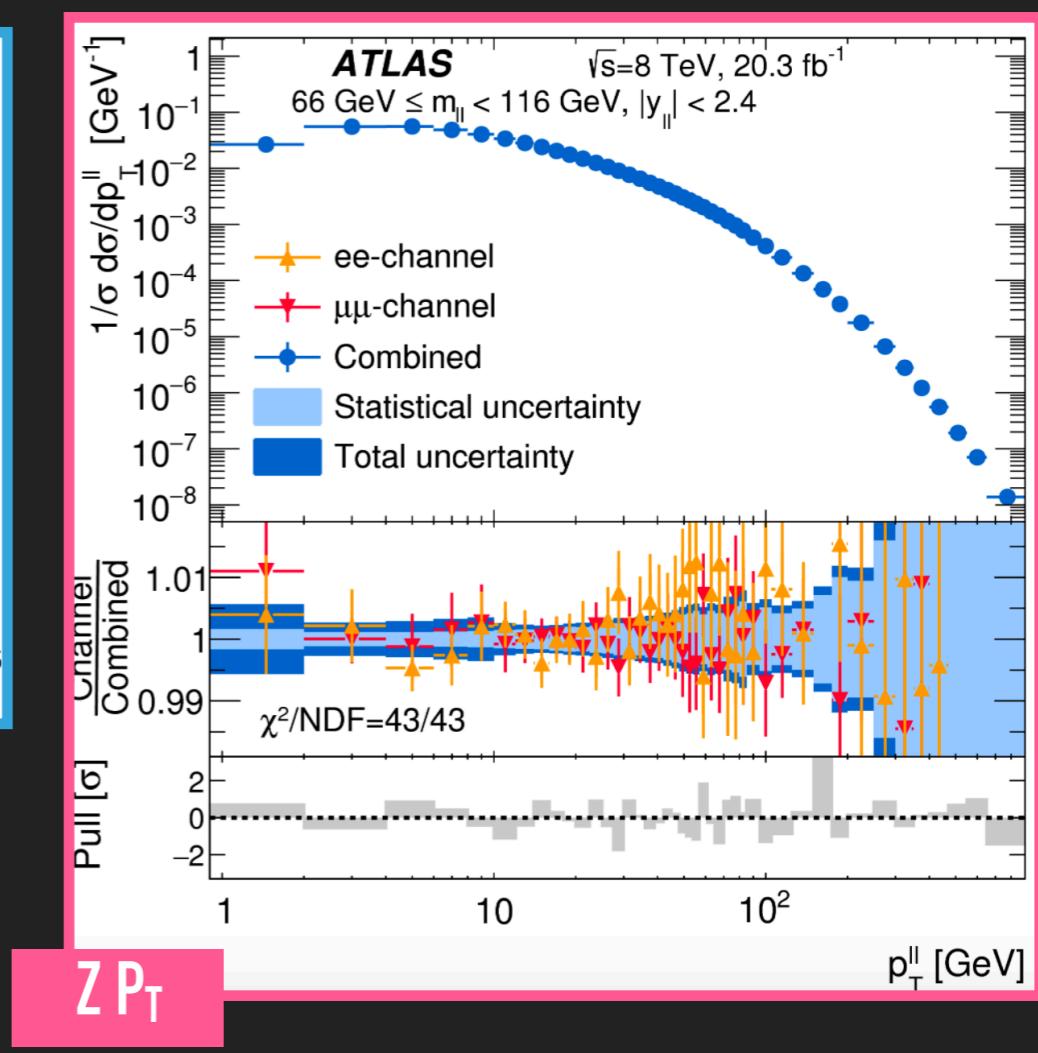
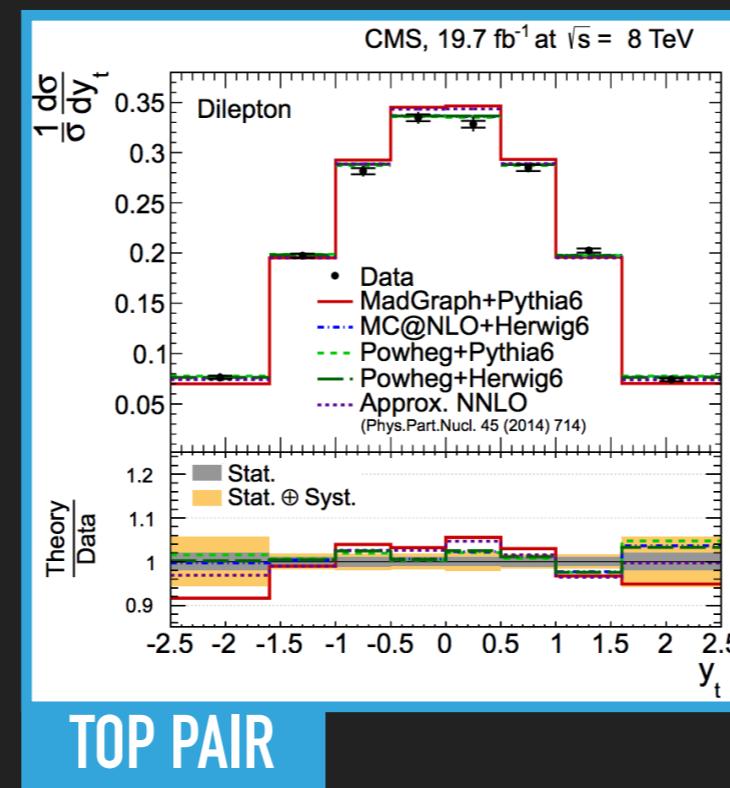
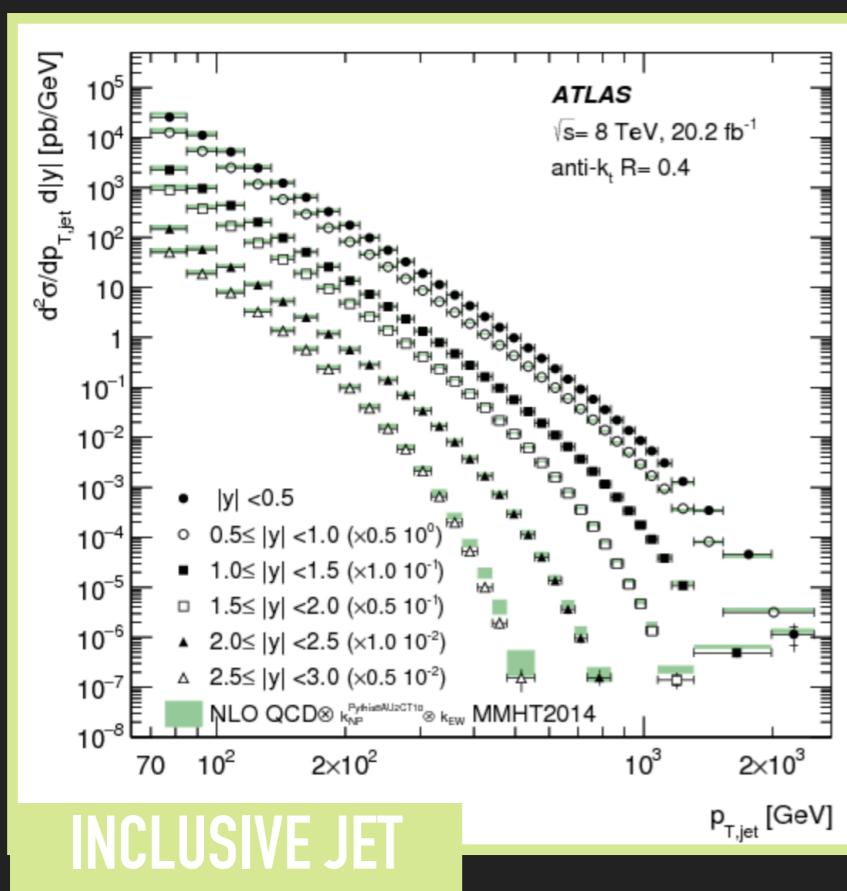
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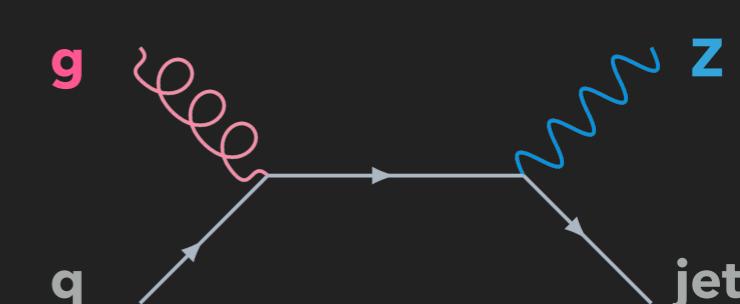
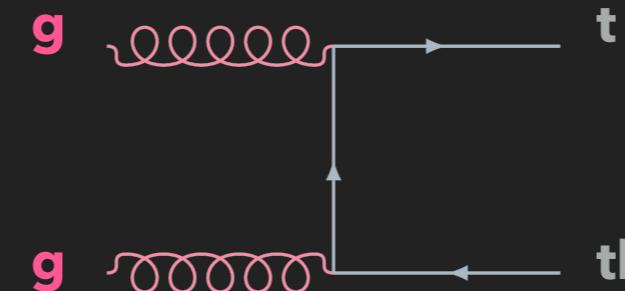
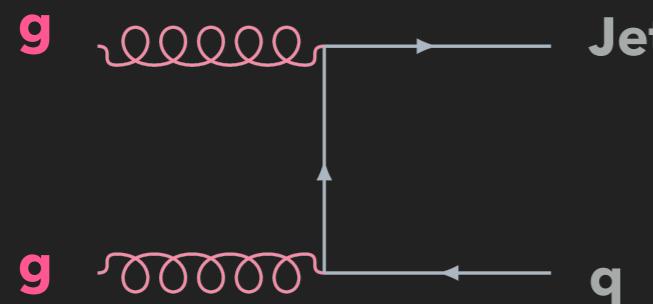
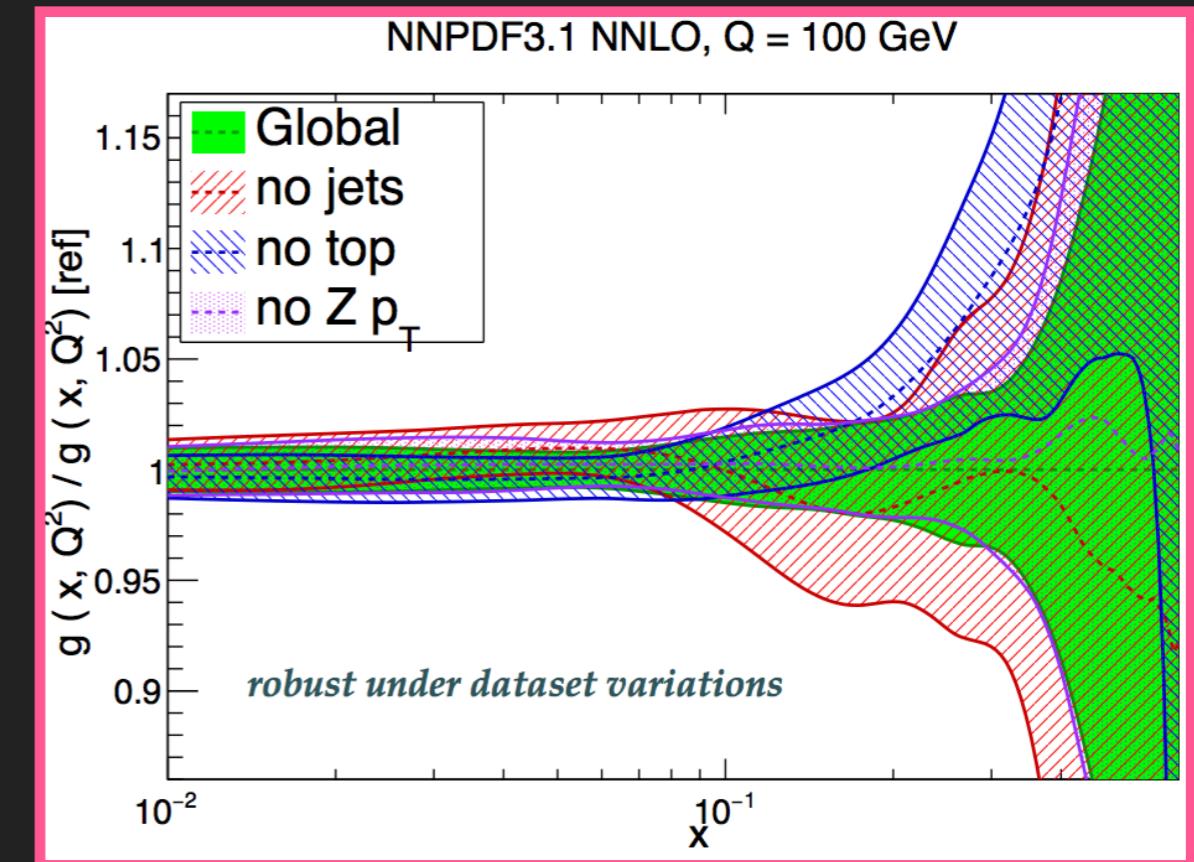
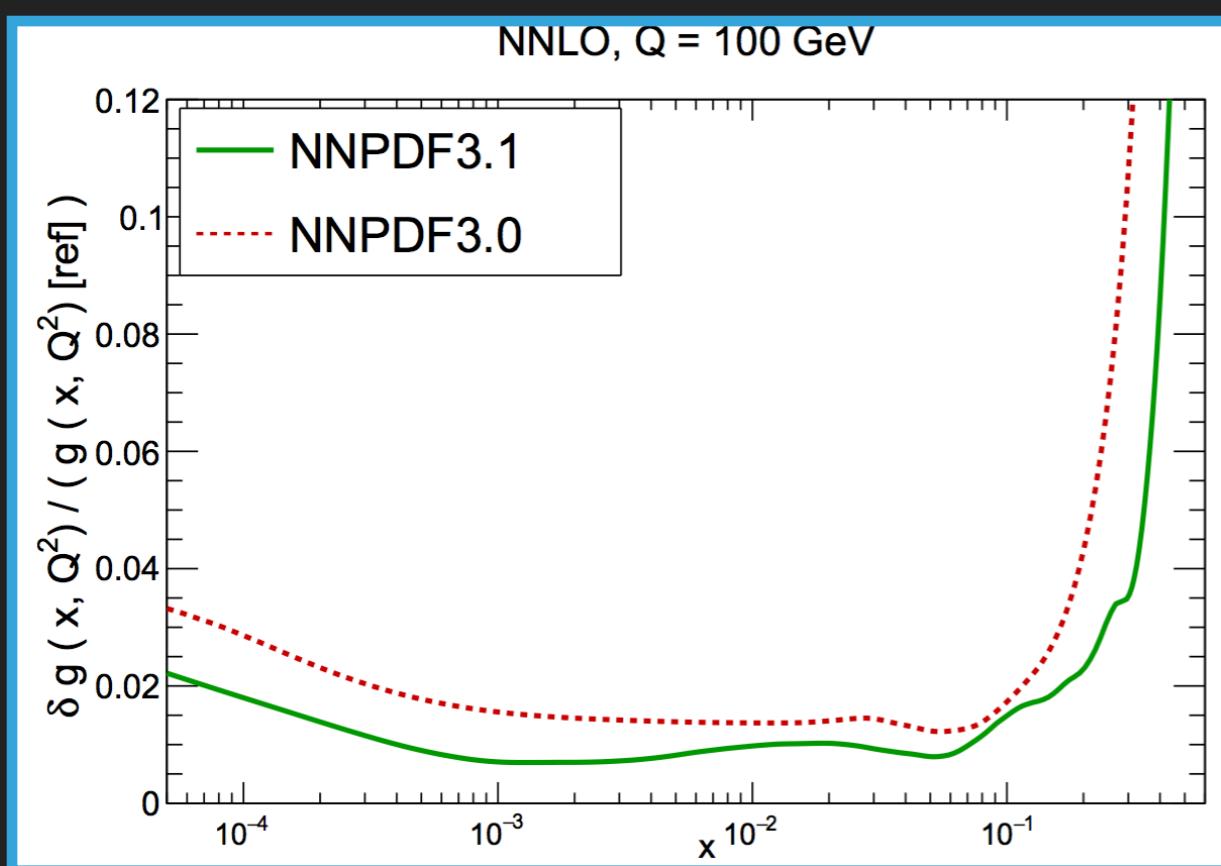
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EXPERIMENTAL DATA & INSIGHT ON THE GLUON

- Large- x gluon constrained by three independent processes
- Consistent picture and analysis robustness



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APPLgrid, Carli et al (2010) & FASTNLO, Kluge et al (2010)
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STATS: ERROR PROPAGATION

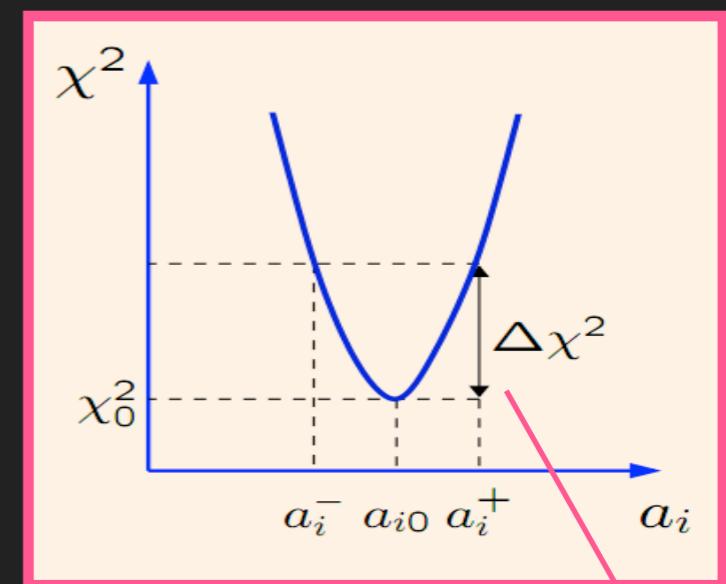
$$\langle \mathcal{O}[\{f\}] \rangle = \int [\mathcal{D}f] \mathcal{O}[\{f\}] \mathcal{P}[\{f\}]$$

- Given a finite number of experimental data points want a set of functions with errors
- Want to find a infinite-dimensional object from a finite number of information

Propagation of experimental uncertainty

$$\langle \mathcal{O}[\{f\}] \rangle = \int da_1 da_2 \cdots da_n \mathcal{O}[\vec{a}] \mathcal{P}[\vec{a}]$$

- Hessian approach: Project into a n-dimensional space of parameters and use linear approximation around minimum χ^2



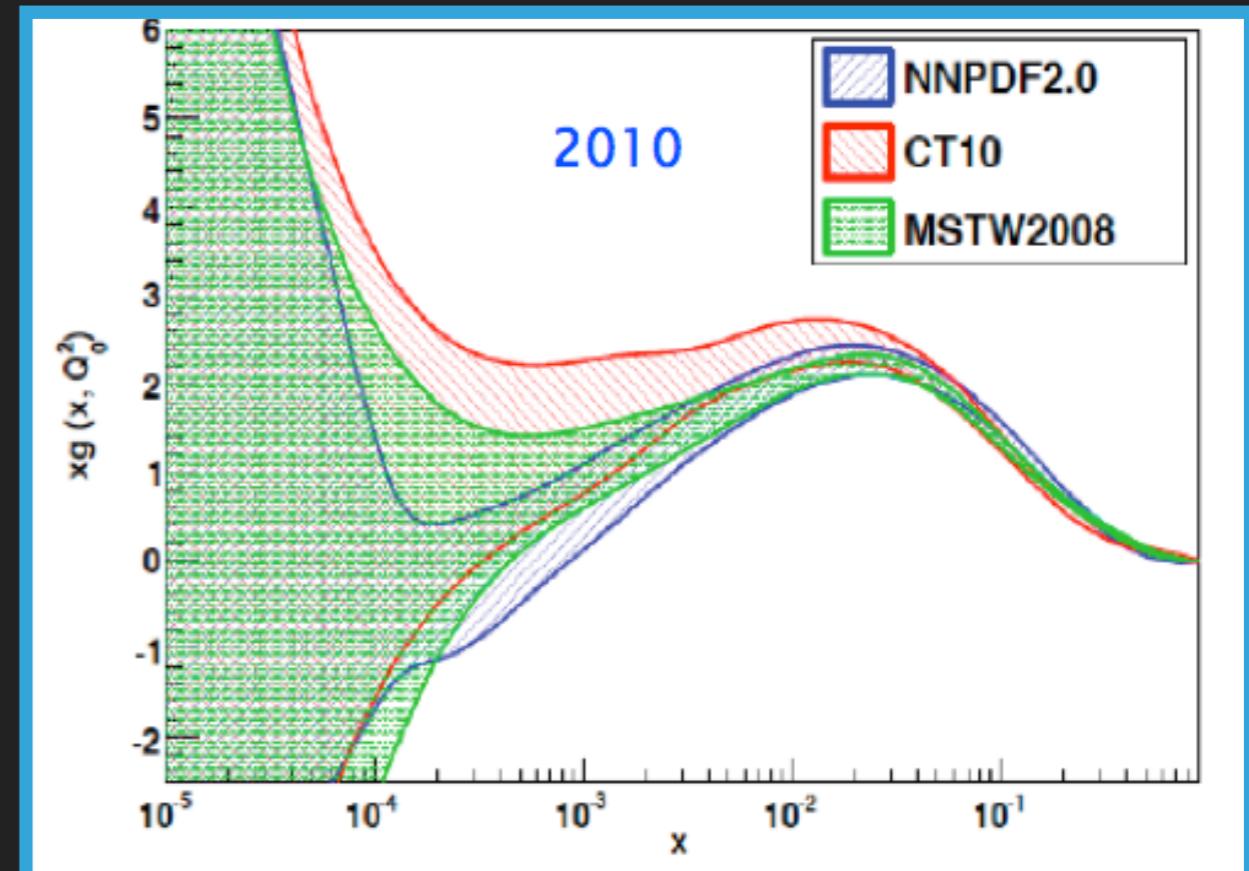
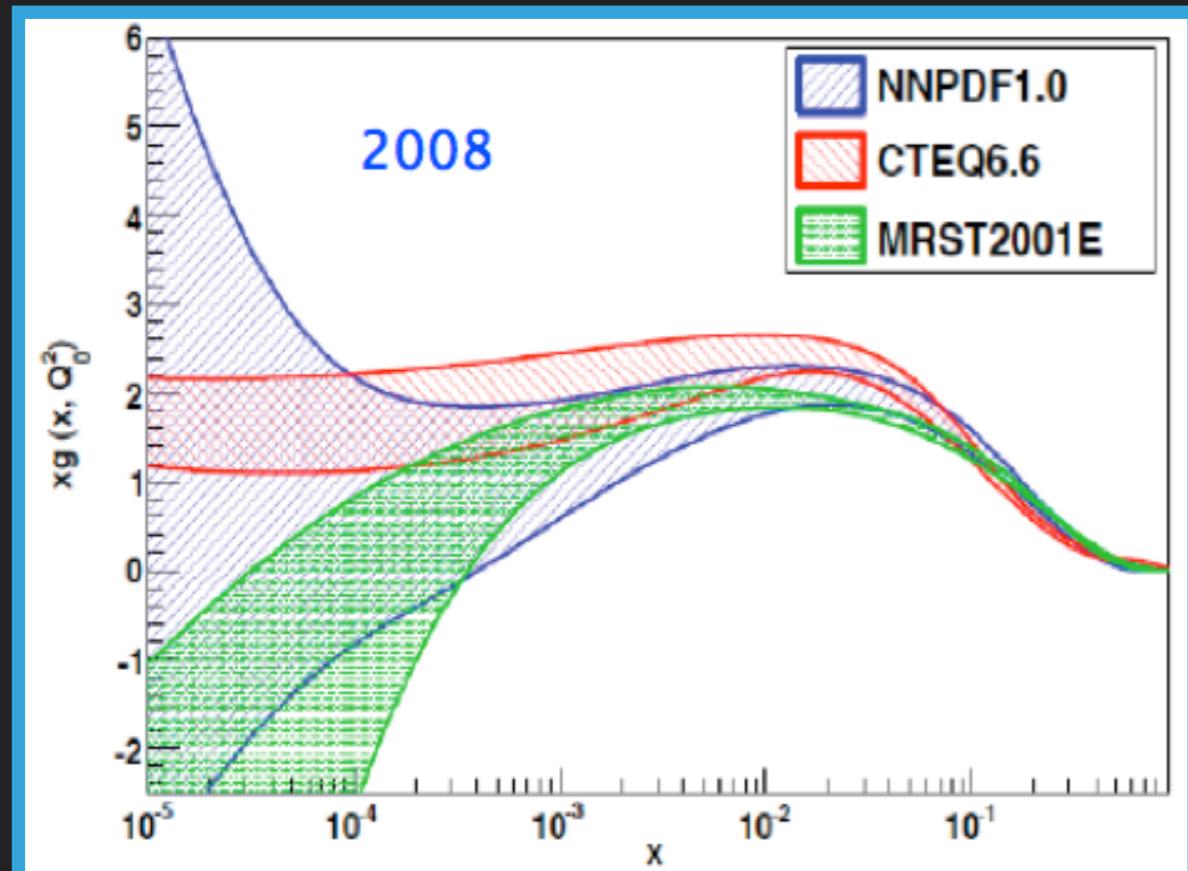
Parametrisation

- Introduce a simple functional form with enough free parameters
- Typically about 20-40 free parameters for 7 independent functions

$$f_i(x, Q_0) = a_0 x^{a_1} (1-x)^{a_2} P(x, a_3, a_4, \dots)$$

Tolerance

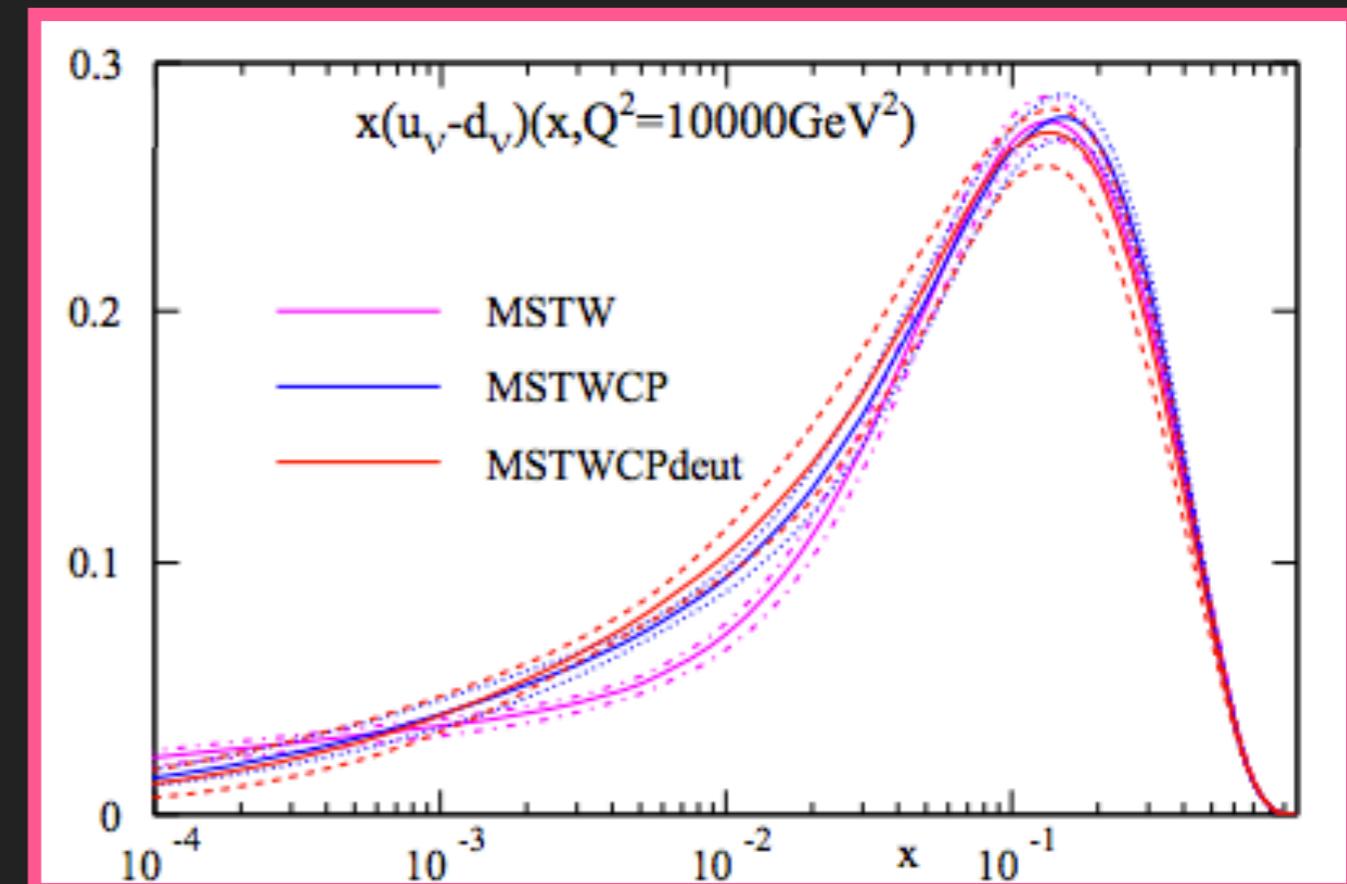
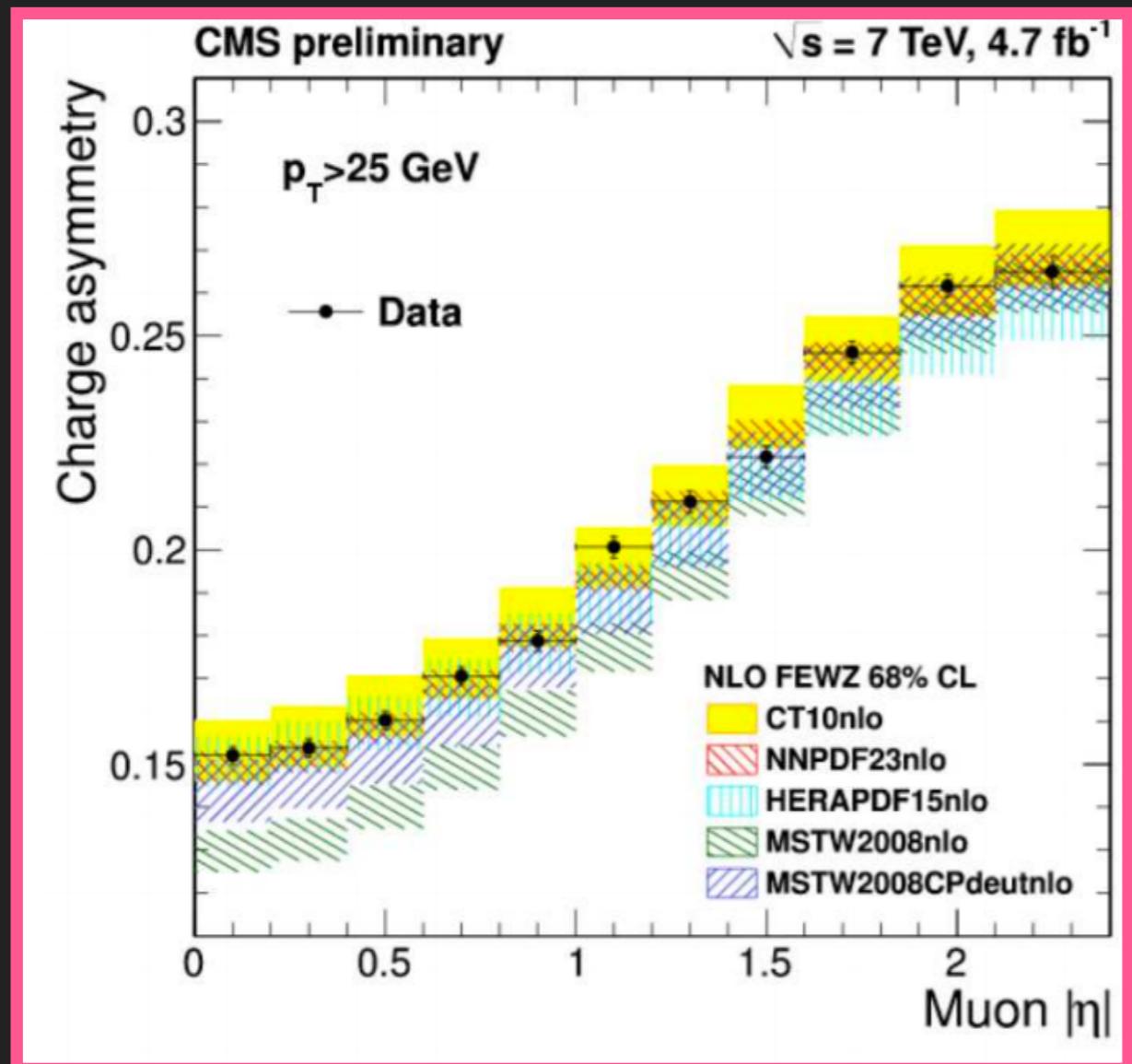
STATS: DATA-DRIVEN PROGRESS



$$xg = A_g x^{\delta_g} (1-x)^{\eta_g} (1 + \epsilon_g \sqrt{x} + \gamma_g x) + A_{g'} x^{\delta_{g'}} (1-x)^{\eta_{g'}}$$

- ▶ PDF uncertainties tuned to data (tolerance $\Delta\chi^2 > 1$ - many studies/improvements)
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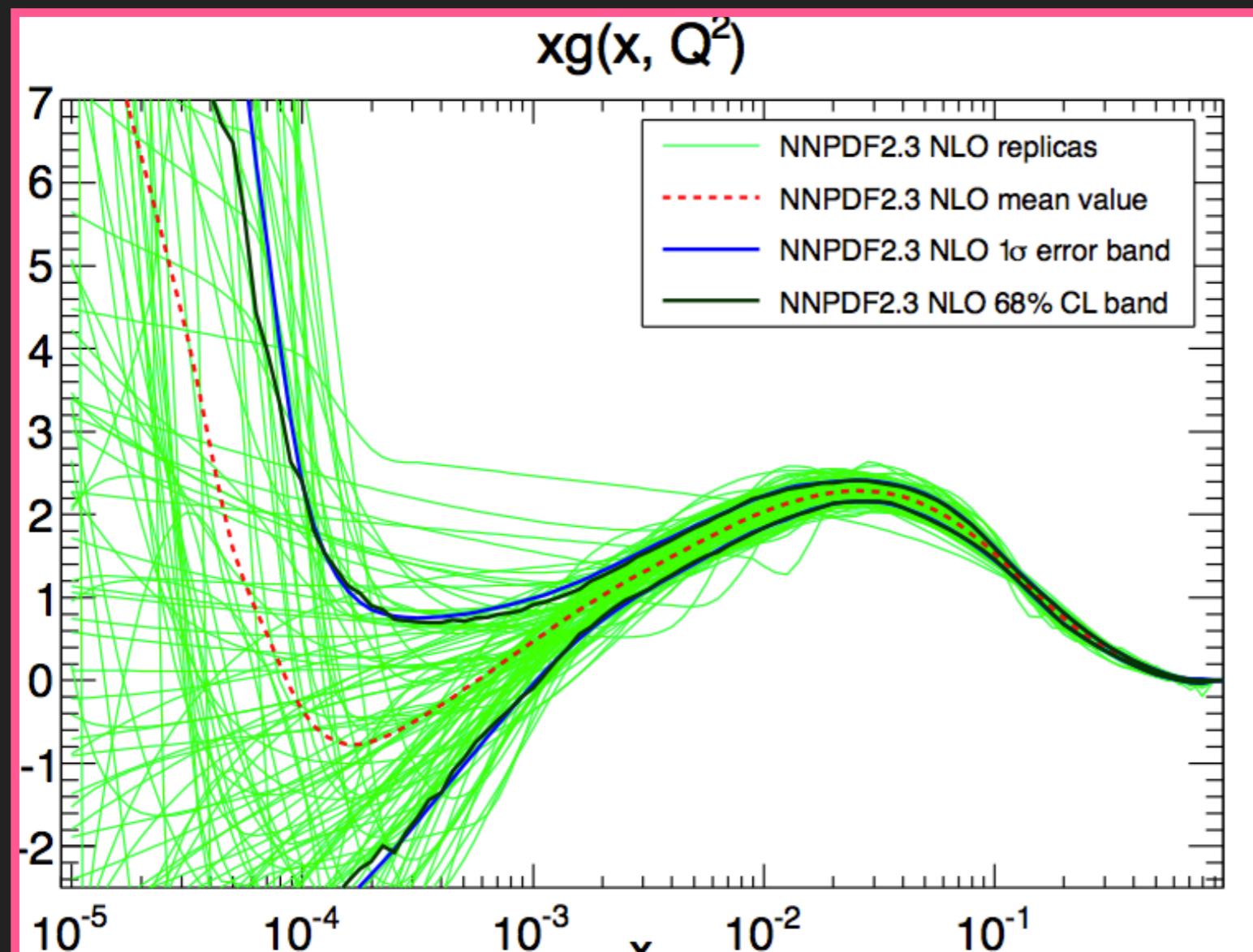
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Martin et al
EPJC73 (2013) 2, 2318

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STATS: MONTE CARLO APPROACH



NNPDF collaboration

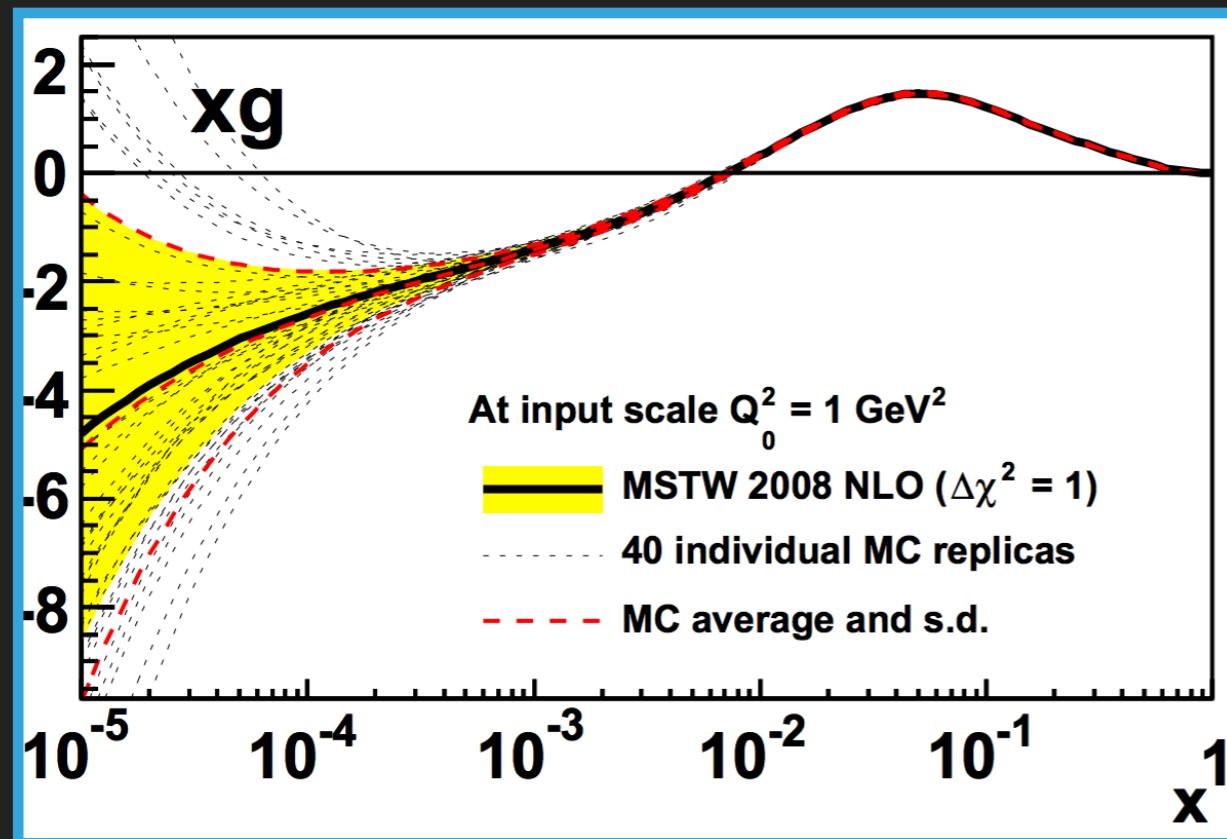
- ▶ Monte Carlo techniques: sampling the probability measure in PDF functional space from data

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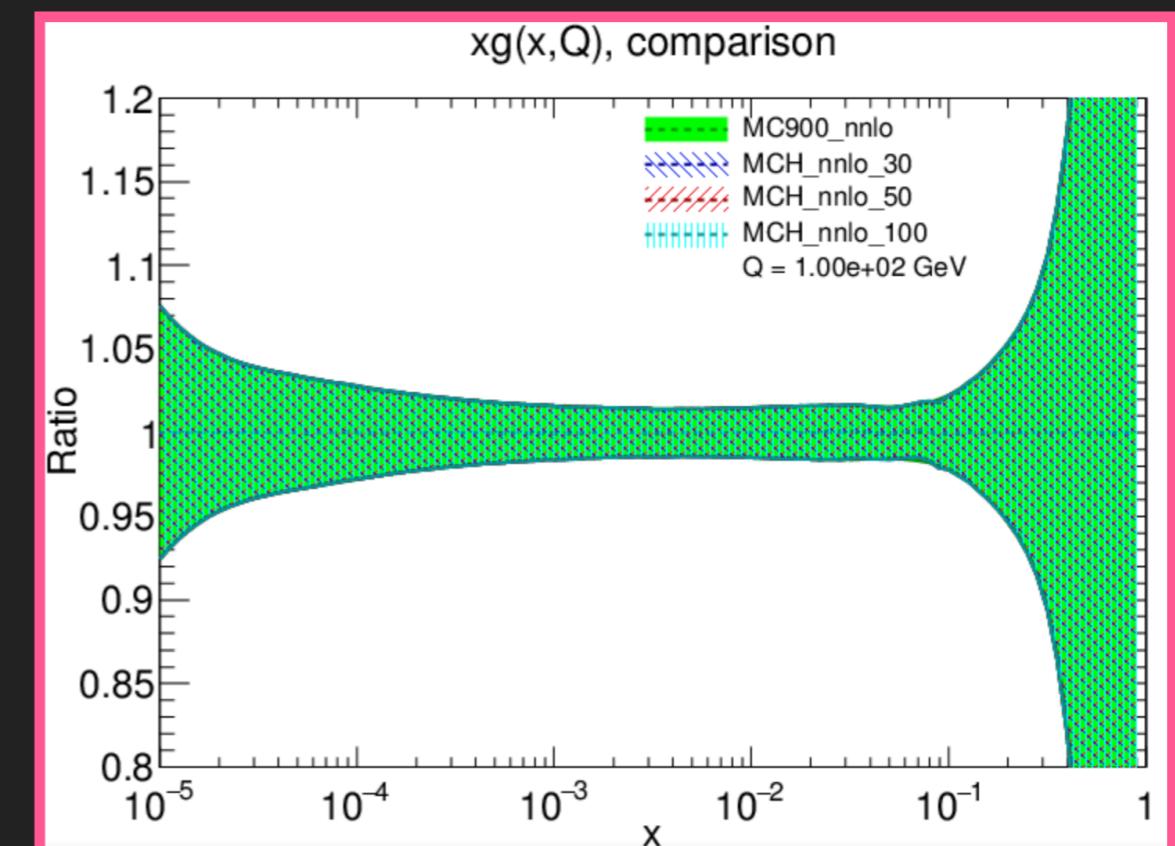
- ▶ Neural Networks: all independent PDFs are associated to an unbiased and flexible parametrization: $O(300)$ parameters versus $O(30)$ in polynomial parametrization

MONTE CARLO <=> HESSIAN

- Great progress in cross-talk between Hessian and MC approaches to propagate experimental data error into PDF error bands
- Hessian => Monte Carlo by generate multi-gaussian replicas in parameter space
- Monte Carlo => Hessian by sampling replicas $f(x)$ at discrete sets of points and contract covariance matrix

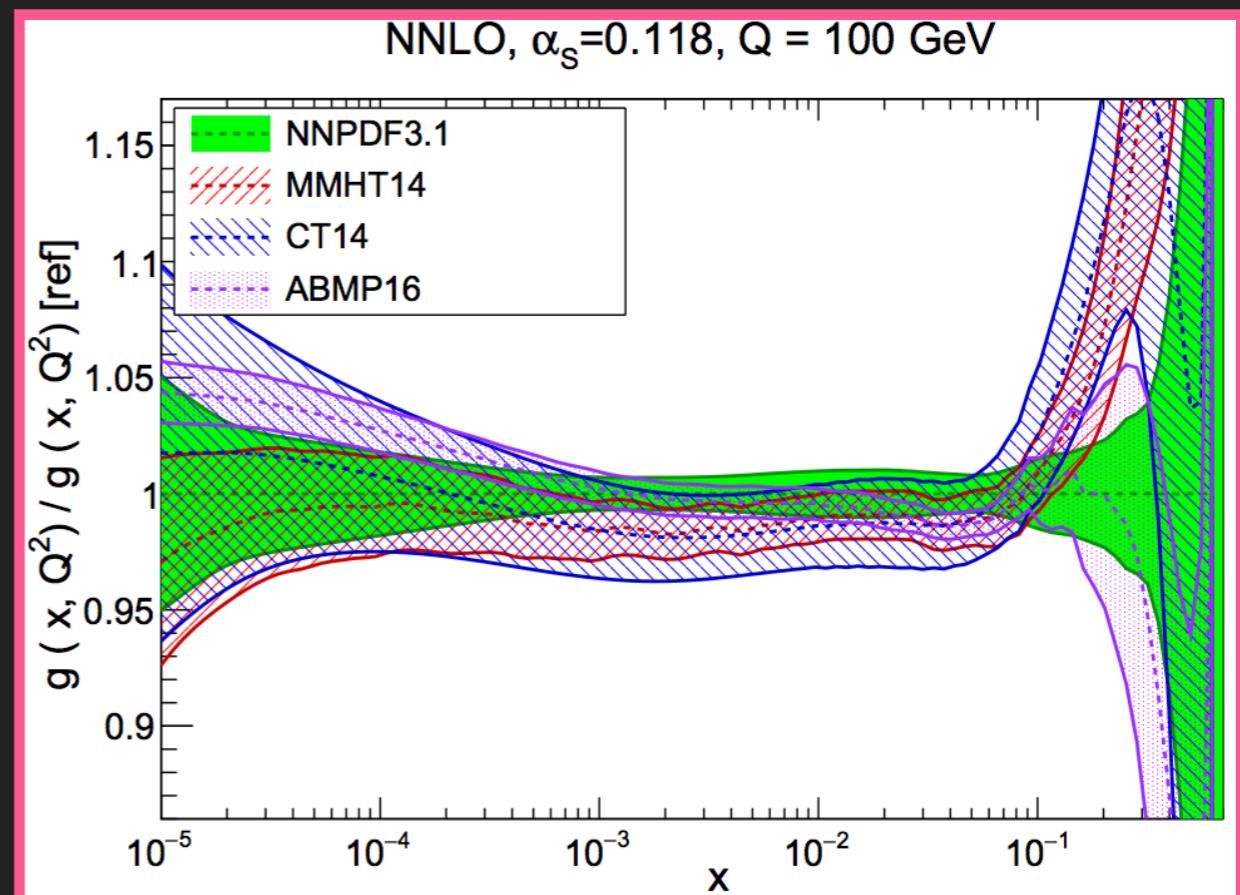
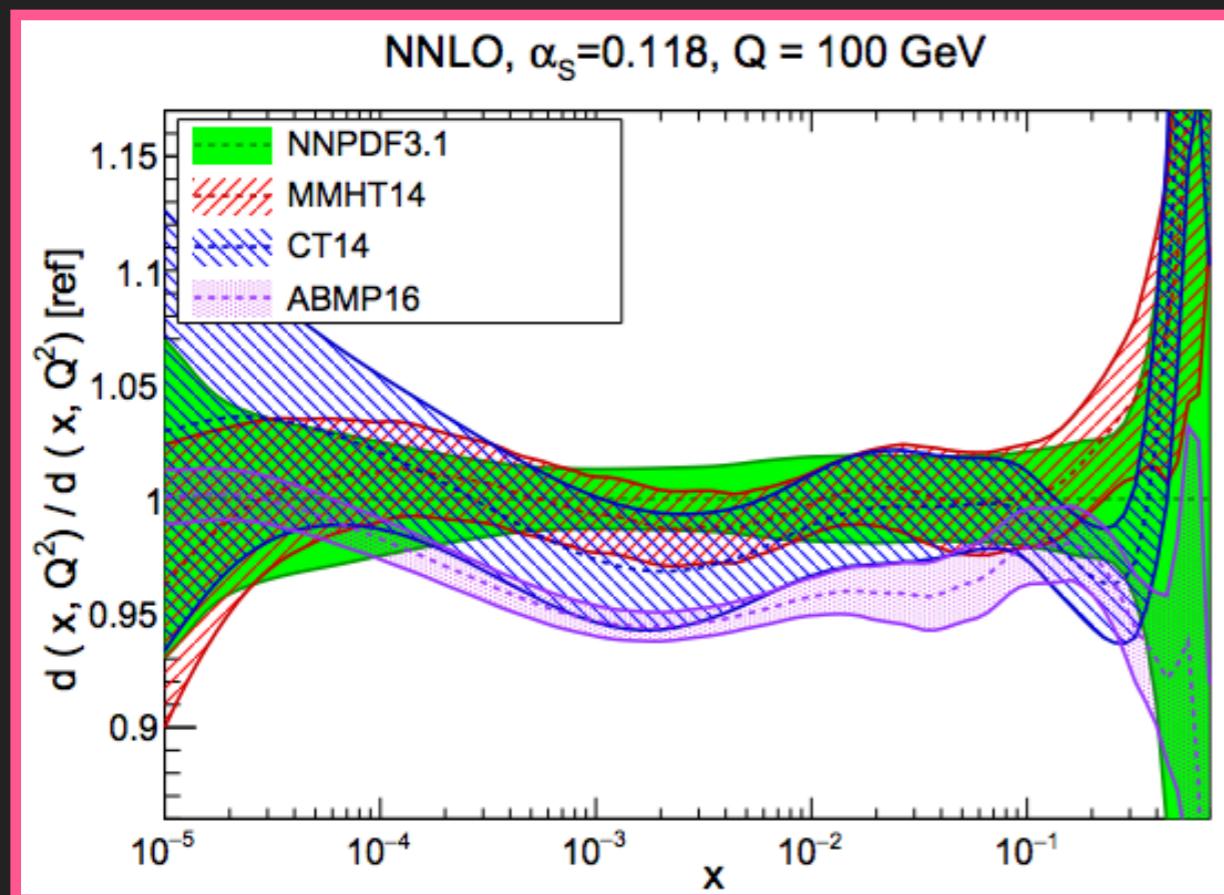


Watt, Thorne, JHEP 08 (2012)



Butterworth et al, J.Phys. G43 (2016)

STATE-OF-THE-ART PDFS



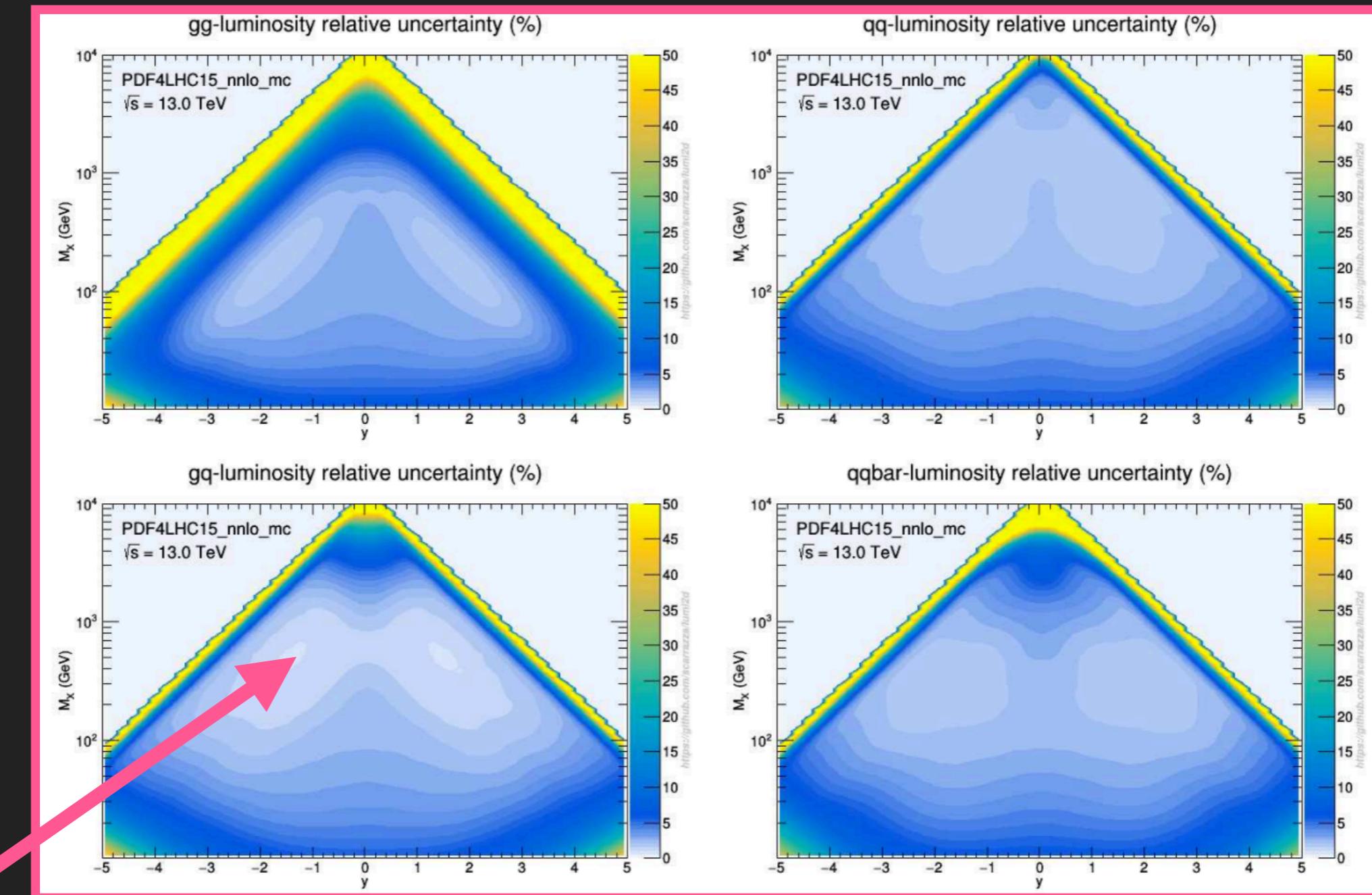
J.Gao et al, Phys.Rept. 742 (2018)

- ▶ Pretty good agreement for gluon PDF
- ▶ Some differences in quark PDFs, especially down and strangeness
- ▶ How to improve?
 - ➡ Closure test to test methodology (!)
 - ➡ Data
 - ➡ Theory (K-factors and MC integration error...)

PART III

NEW FRONTIERS

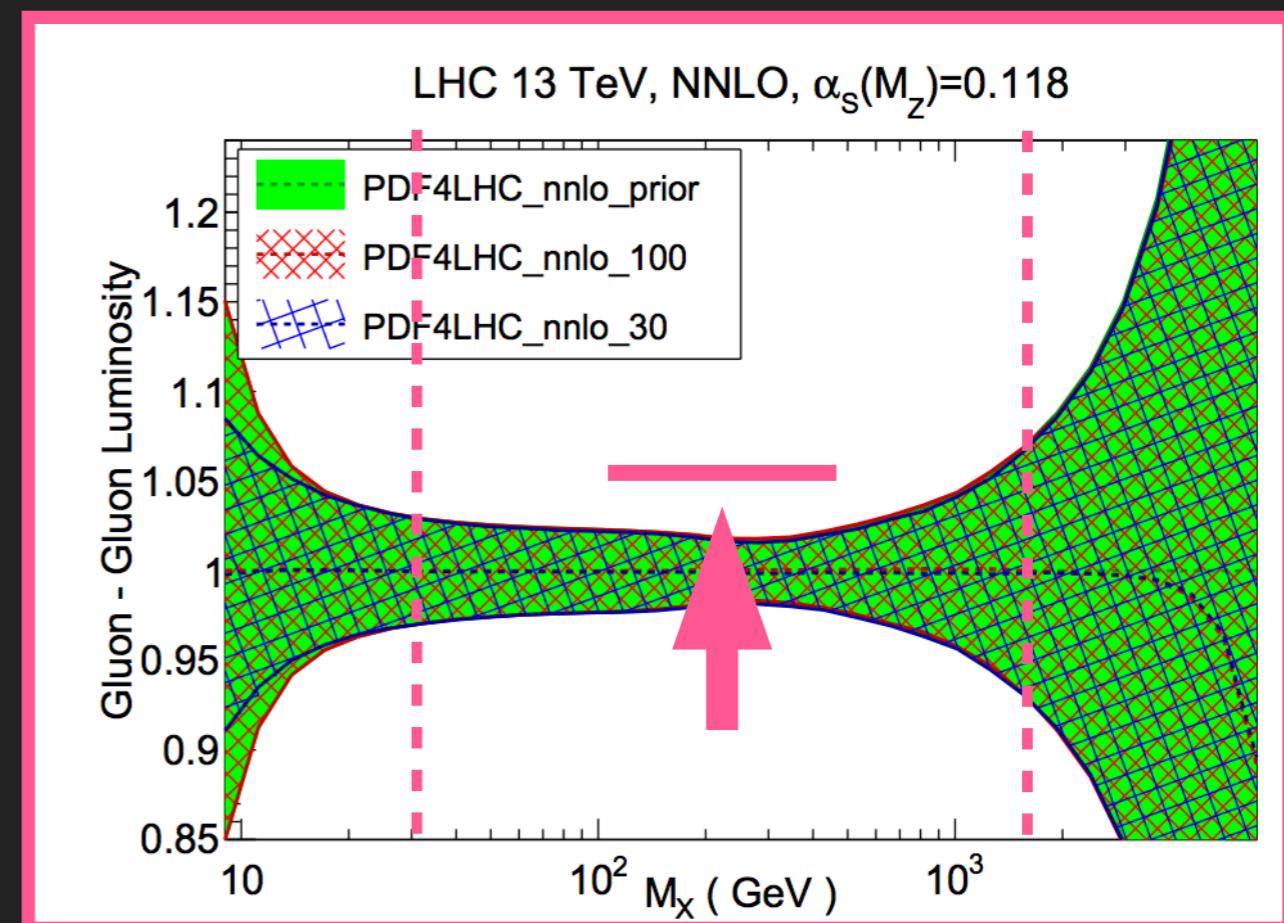
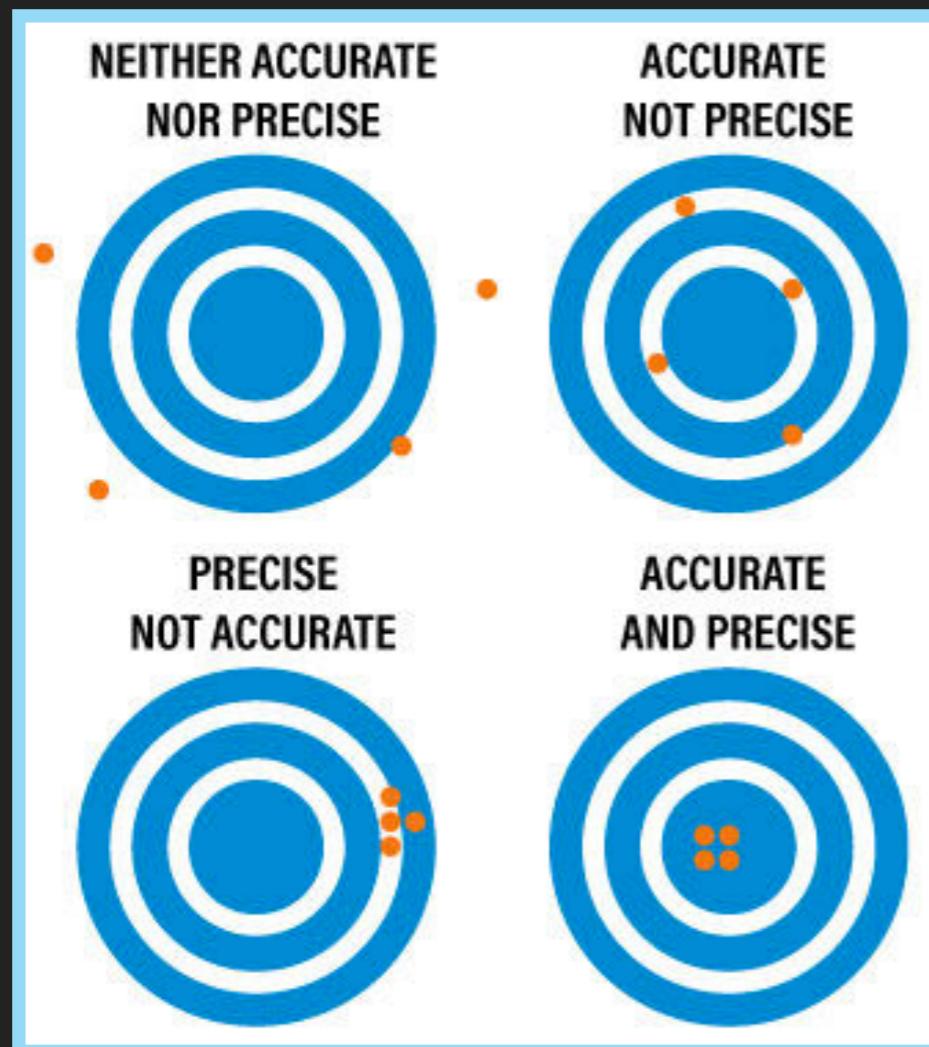
PDF UNCERTAINTIES



Can we trust 1% accuracy?

THEORY UNCERTAINTIES

In updated PDF analysis, shift between old and new set may be larger than PDF uncertainties



Theory
boundaries

Data
region

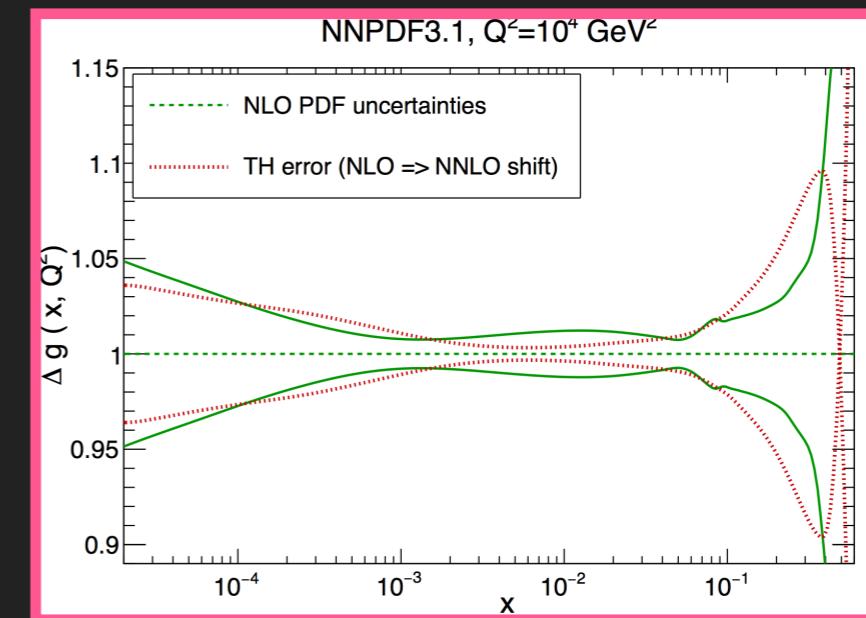
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Tolerance/
Statistical
estimators

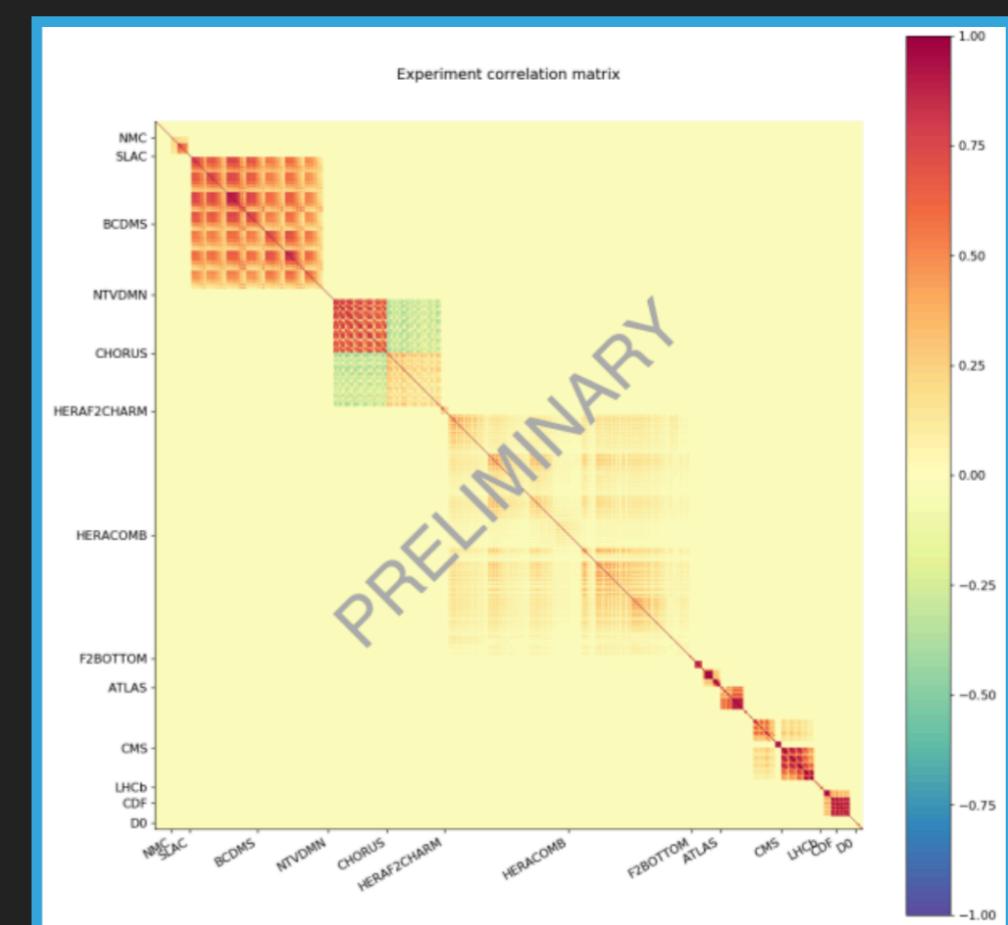
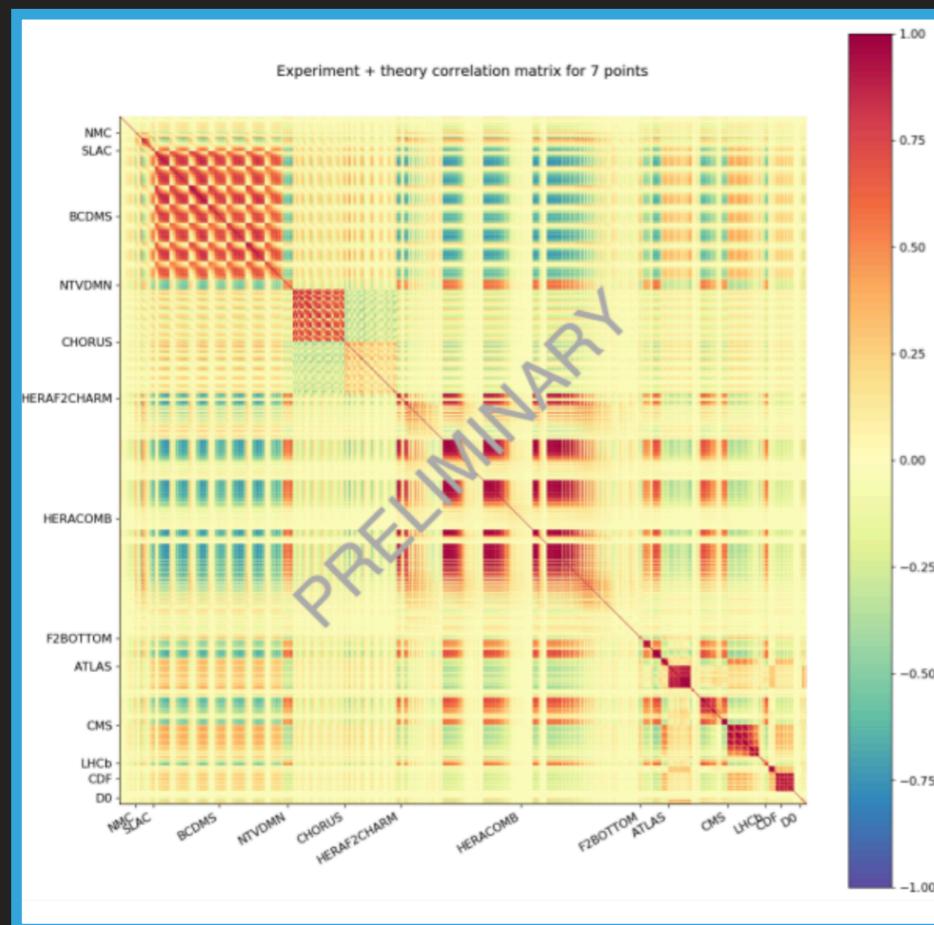
- Inconsistent data → Tolerance/Statistical estimators
- **Changes in theory?** → Closure Test
- Updated parametrization
- Differences in fitting methodology/minimisation? → Closure Test

THEORY UNCERTAINTIES

- ▶ PDF fits performed at given perturbative order
- ▶ PDF uncertainties only reflect lack of information from data
- ▶ How to estimate MHOU in PDF fits?
- ▶ Idea: build theory covariance matrix
- ▶ Add it to experimental one [NNPDF collaboration in progress]

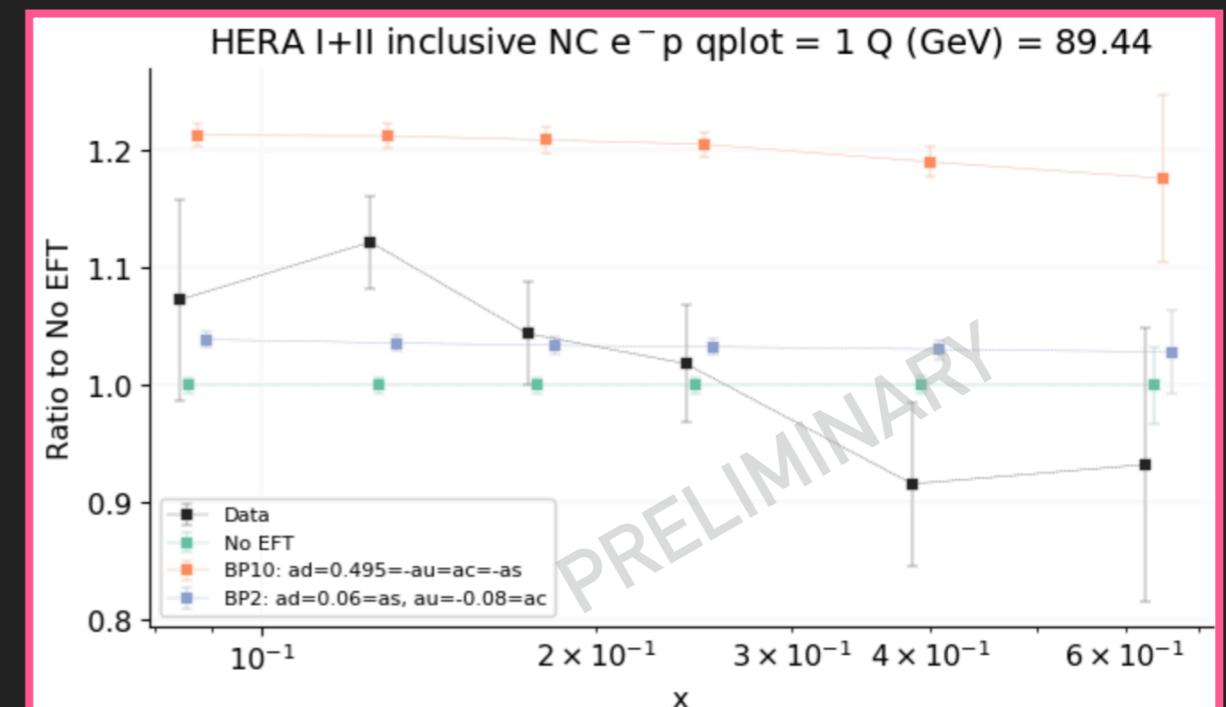
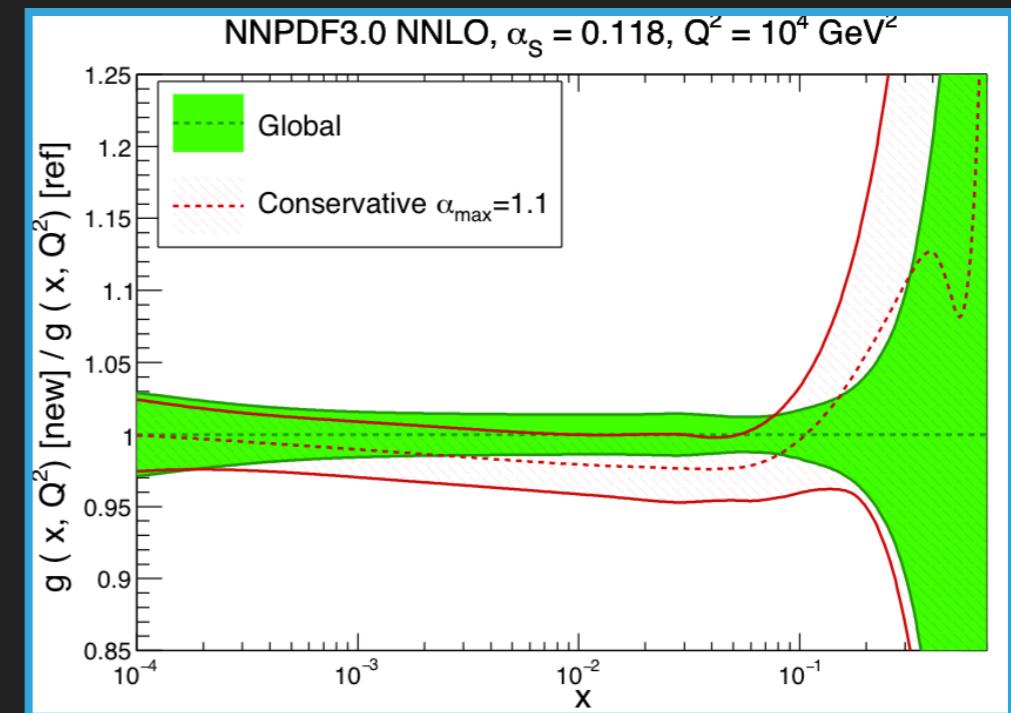


Ball et al, EPJC 77 (2017)



NEW PHYSICS AND PDFS

- ▶ Q: As more data at higher energy will be released, how can we make sure that we will not absorb new physics in the PDFs?
- ▶ Inconsistencies between data that enter a global PDF analysis can distort statistical interpretation of PDF uncertainties
- ▶ Inconsistency of any individual dataset with the bulk of global fit may suggest its understanding is incomplete
- ▶ Conservative partons & studies on impact of EFT operators on PDF fits way forward to systematically include new data

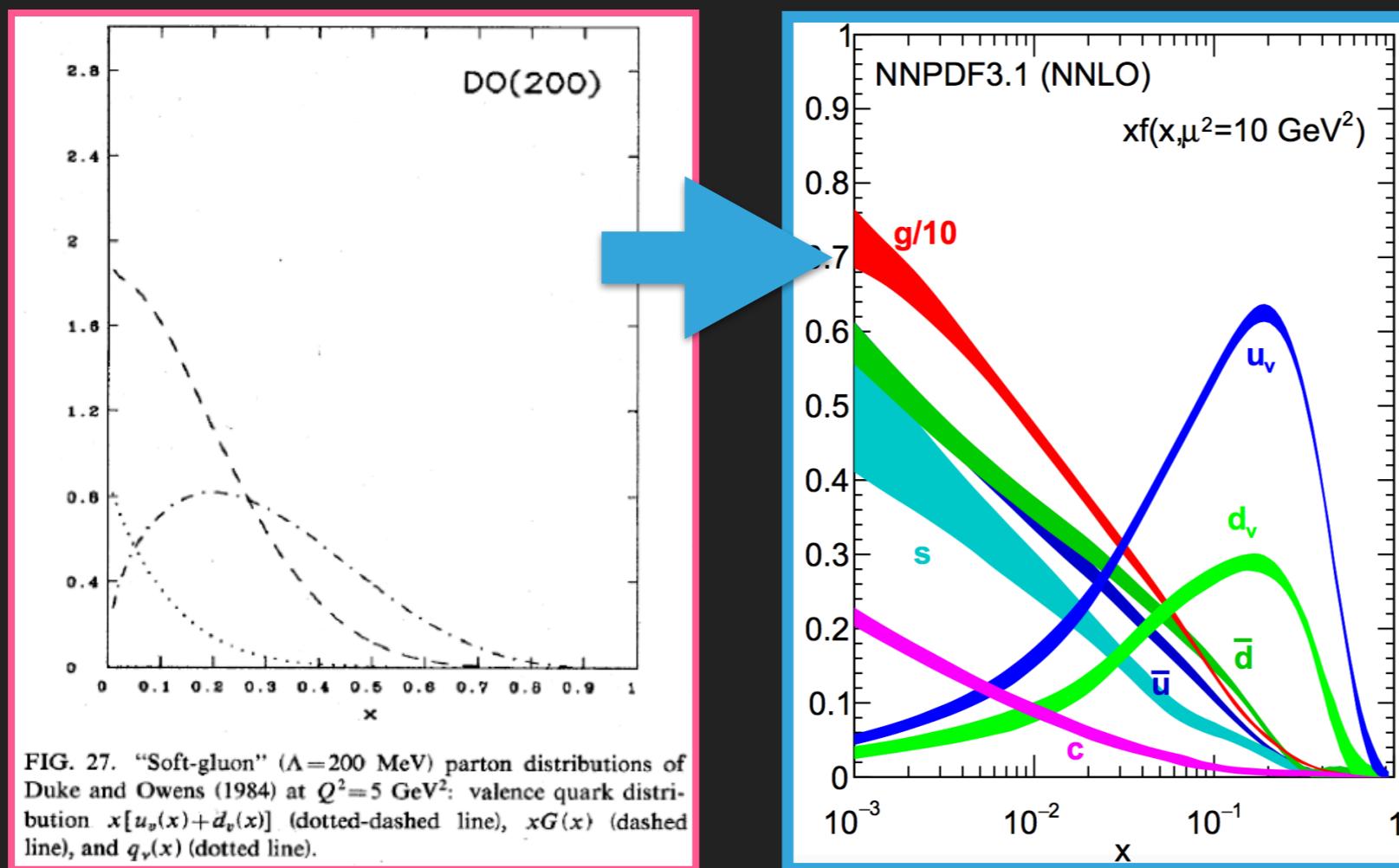


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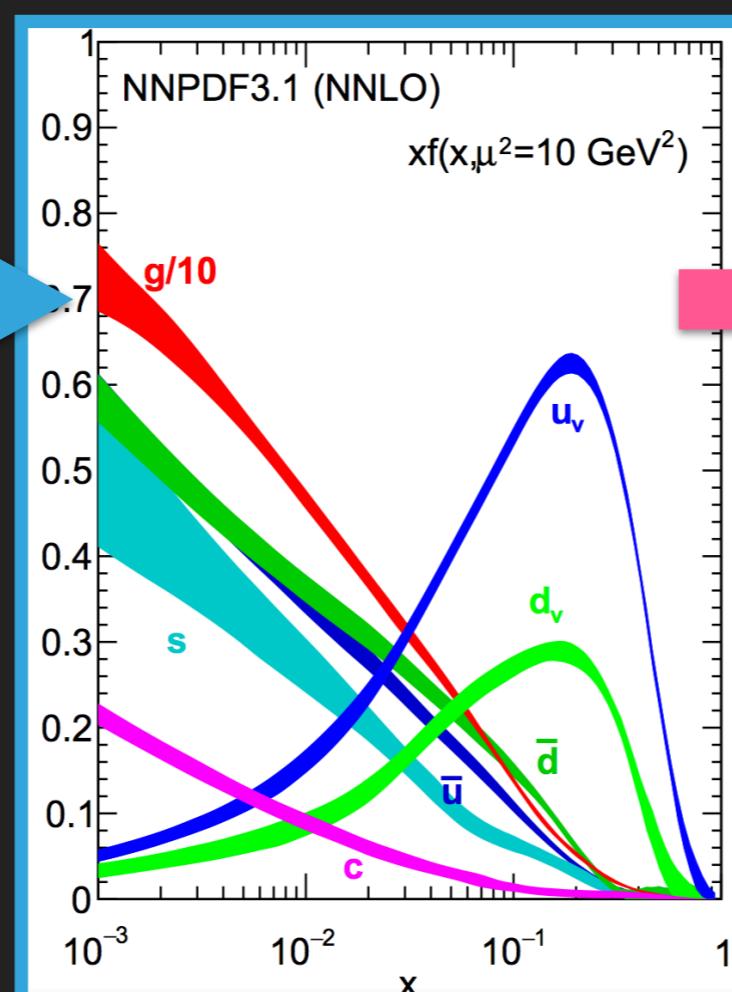
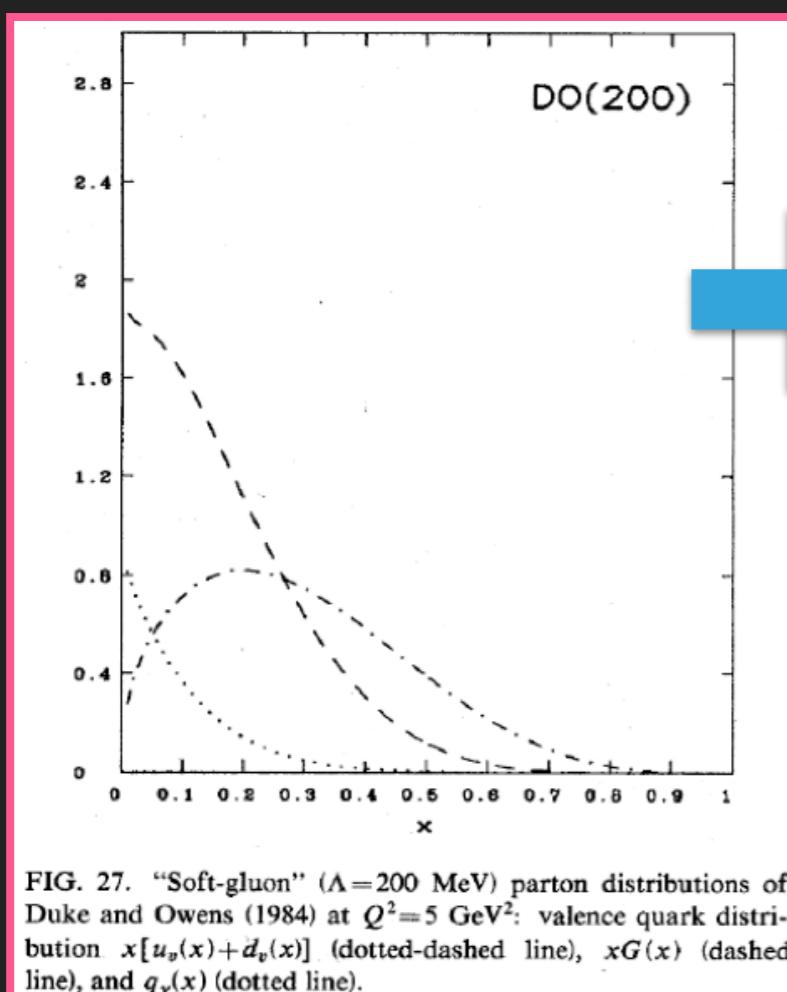


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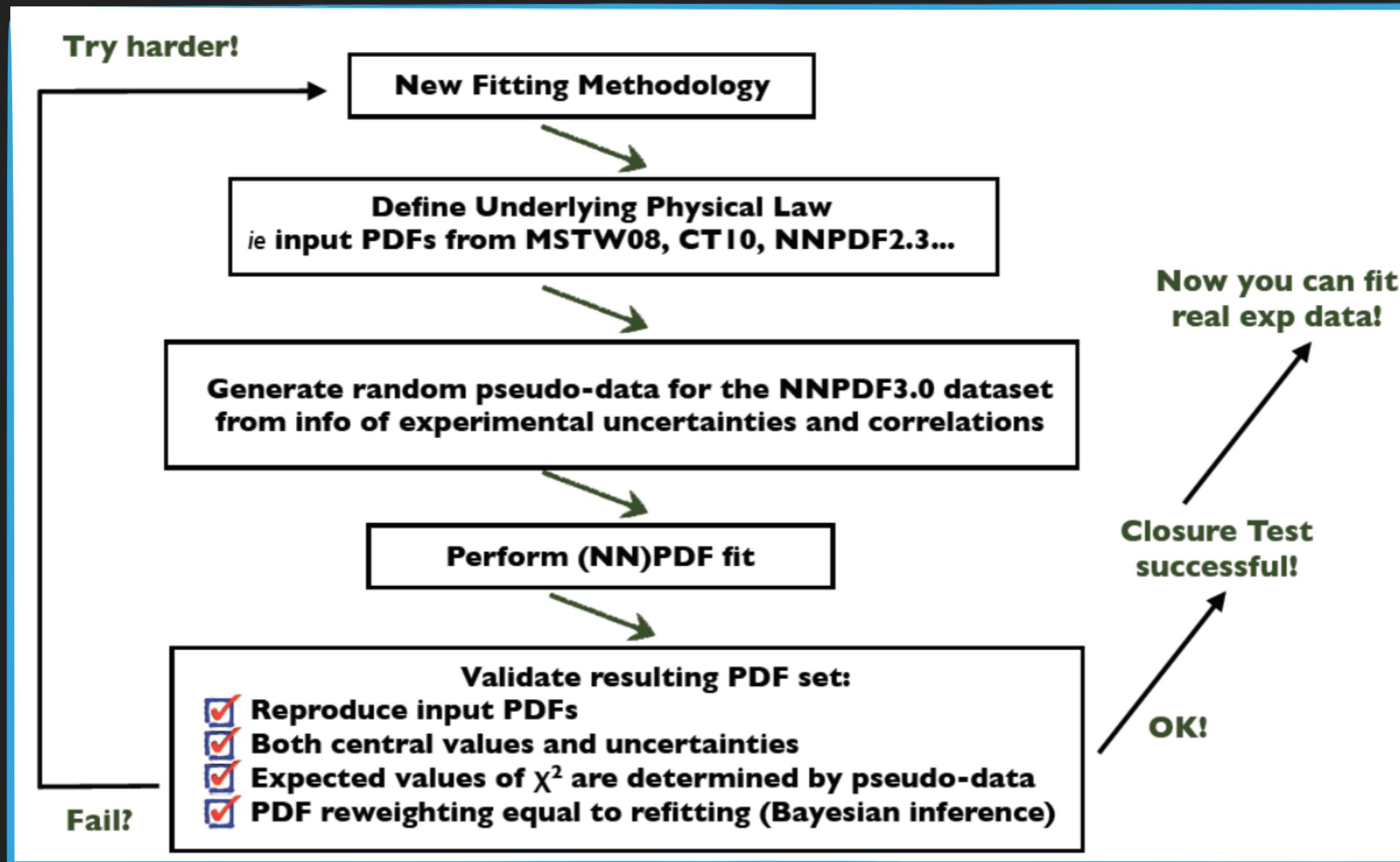
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EXTRA MATERIAL

ROBUST STATISTICS: A POWERFUL TEST



THEORY UNCERTAINTIES

- Theory is perturbative expansion to some order : $t_p = \sum_{m=0}^p c_m$

- Standard case: $P(d|t_p) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(d - t_p)^T \text{cov}_{\text{exp}}^{-1}(d - t_p)\right)$

 χ^2_{exp}

- Bayes' theorem: $P(t_p|d) = \frac{P(d|t_p)P(t_p)}{P(d)} \propto P(d|t_p)P(t_p)$

- Assume Gaussian theory prior:

$$P(t_p) = \prod_{m=0}^p P(c_m) \quad \text{where} \quad P(c_m) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}c_m^T \text{cov}_{\text{th},m}^{-1} c_m\right)$$

 χ^2_{th}

- Assume MHOUs due to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^{p+1})$ terms only \rightarrow marginalise these terms:

$$\begin{aligned} P(t_p|d) &\propto \int dc_{p+1} P(d|c_{p+1})P(t_{p+1}) \\ &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(d - t_p)^T (\text{cov}_{\text{exp}} + \text{cov}_{\text{th}})^{-1}(d - t_p)\right) \end{aligned}$$

 χ^2_{tot}

- Include higher order terms by induction