

# *Advancing precision predictions for the LHC*

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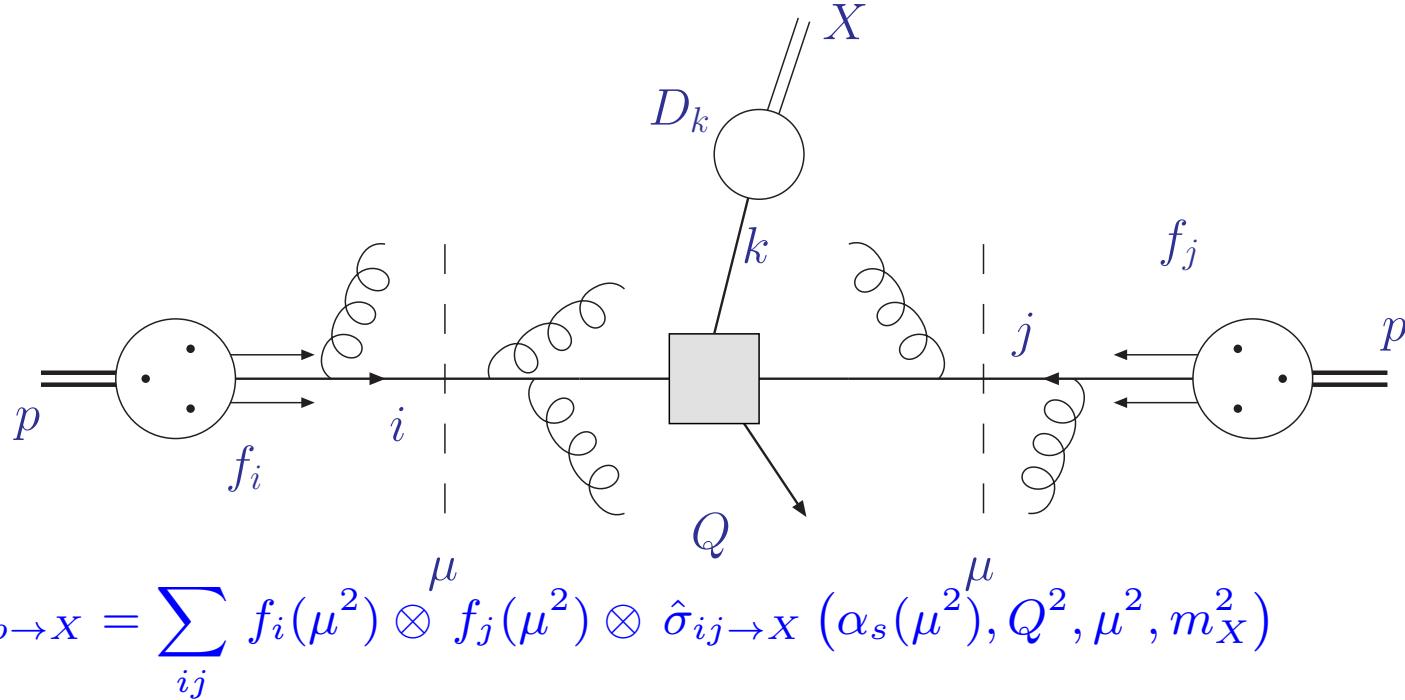
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## *Plan*

- $W^\pm$ - and  $Z$ -boson production at the LHC
- Hadro-production of jets
- Heavy-quark pair production ( $b$ - and  $c$ -quark production at the LHC)

# *QCD factorization*



- Factorization at scale  $\mu$ 
  - separation of sensitivity to dynamics from long and short distances
- Hard parton cross section  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow X}$  calculable in perturbation theory
  - cross section  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow k}$  for parton types  $i, j$  and hadronic final state  $X$
- Parton distribution functions  $f_i$ , strong coupling  $\alpha_s$ , particle masses  $m_X$ 
  - known from global fits to exp. data, lattice computations, ...

# Parton luminosity

- Long distance dynamics due to proton structure



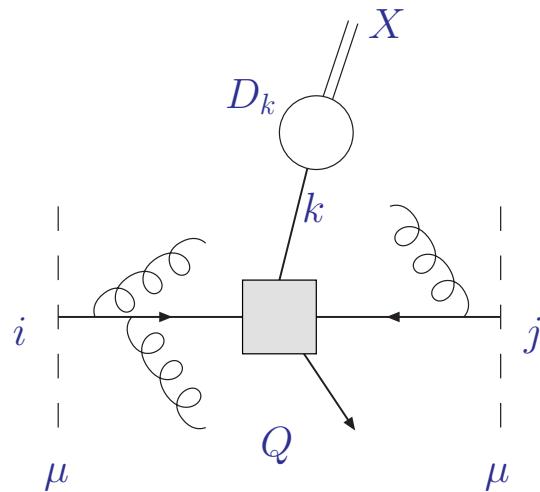
- Cross section depends on parton distributions  $f_i$

$$\sigma_{pp \rightarrow X} = \sum_{ij} f_i(\mu^2) \otimes f_j(\mu^2) \otimes [\dots]$$

- Parton distributions known from global fits to exp. data
  - available fits accurate to NNLO
  - information on proton structure depends on kinematic coverage

# Hard scattering cross section

- Parton cross section  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow k}$  calculable perturbatively in powers of  $\alpha_s$ 
  - known to NLO, NNLO, ... ( $\mathcal{O}(\text{few}\%)$  theory uncertainty)

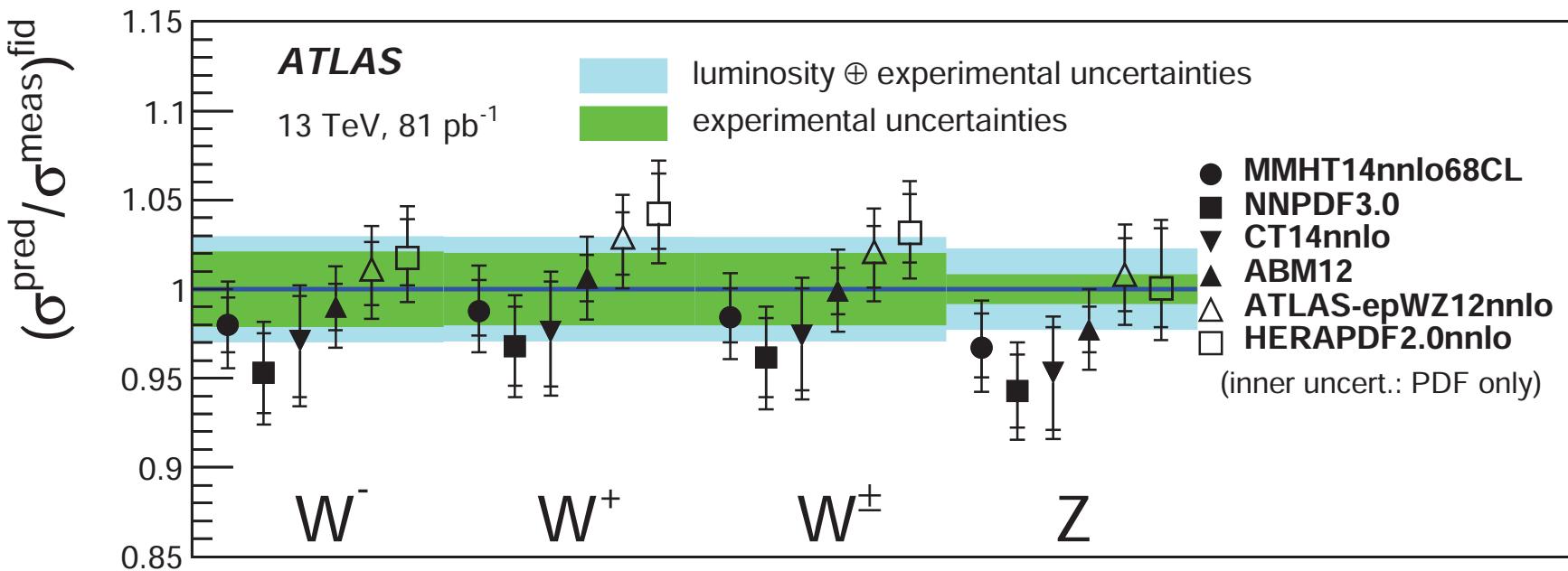


- Accuracy of perturbative predictions
  - LO (leading order)  $(\mathcal{O}(50 - 100\%)$  unc.)
  - NLO (next-to-leading order)  $(\mathcal{O}(10 - 30\%)$  unc.)
  - NNLO (next-to-next-to-leading order)  $(\lesssim \mathcal{O}(10\%)$  unc.)
  - $\mathcal{N}^3\text{LO}$  (next-to-next-to-next-to-leading order)
  - ...

# *$W^\pm$ - and $Z$ -boson production at the LHC*

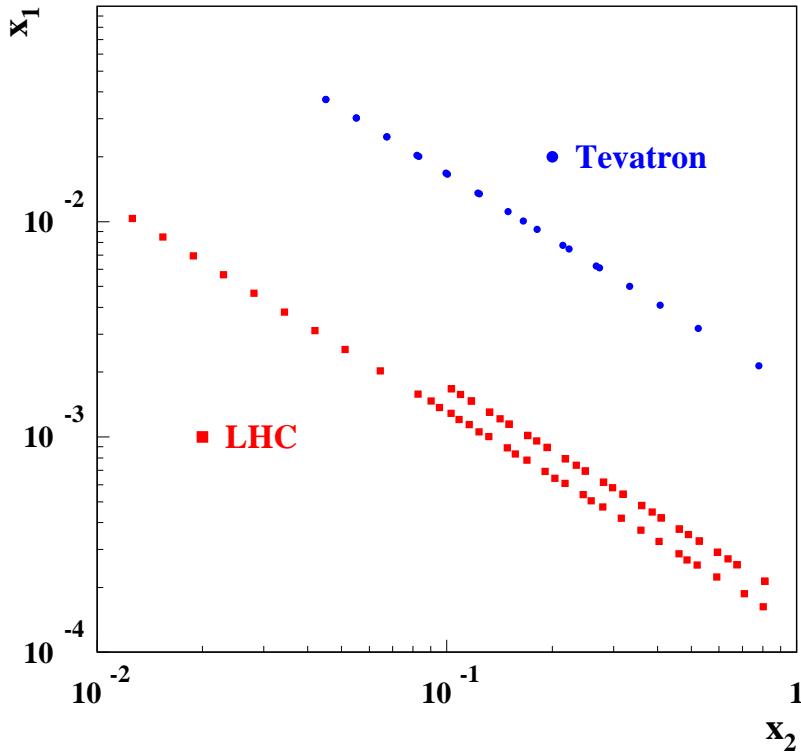
# *W- and Z-boson cross sections*

- High precision data from LHC ATLAS, CMS, LHCb and Tevatron D0
  - differential distributions extend to forward region
  - sensitivity to light quark flavors at  $x \simeq 10^{-4}$
  - statistically significant:  $NDP = 172$  in ABMP16
- ATLAS measurement at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV from arXiv:1603.09222



- Spread in predictions from different PDFs significantly larger than experimental precision

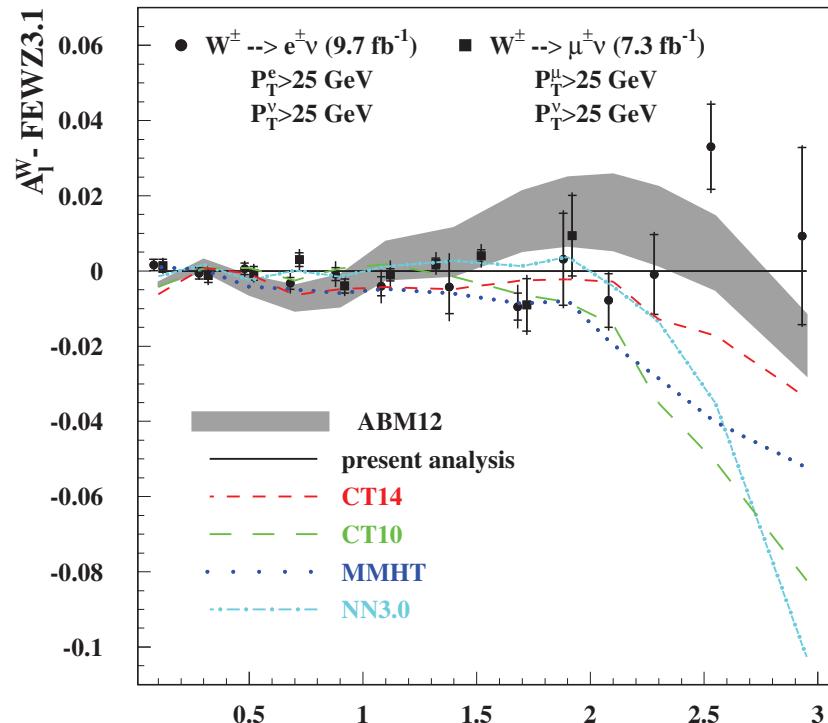
# $W^\pm$ - and $Z$ -boson production



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  - statistically significant  $NDP = 172$
- Differential distributions extend to forward region
  - sensitivity to light quark flavors at  $x \simeq 10^{-4}$
  - leading order kinematics with  $\sigma(W^+) \simeq u(x_2)\bar{d}(x_1)$  and  $\sigma(W^-) \simeq d(x_2)\bar{u}(x_1)$  and  $\sigma(Z) \simeq Q_u^2 u(x_2)\bar{u}(x_1) + Q_d^2 d(x_2)\bar{d}(x_1)$
  - cf. DIS:  $\sigma(\text{DIS}) \simeq q_u^2 u(x) + q_d^2 d(x)$

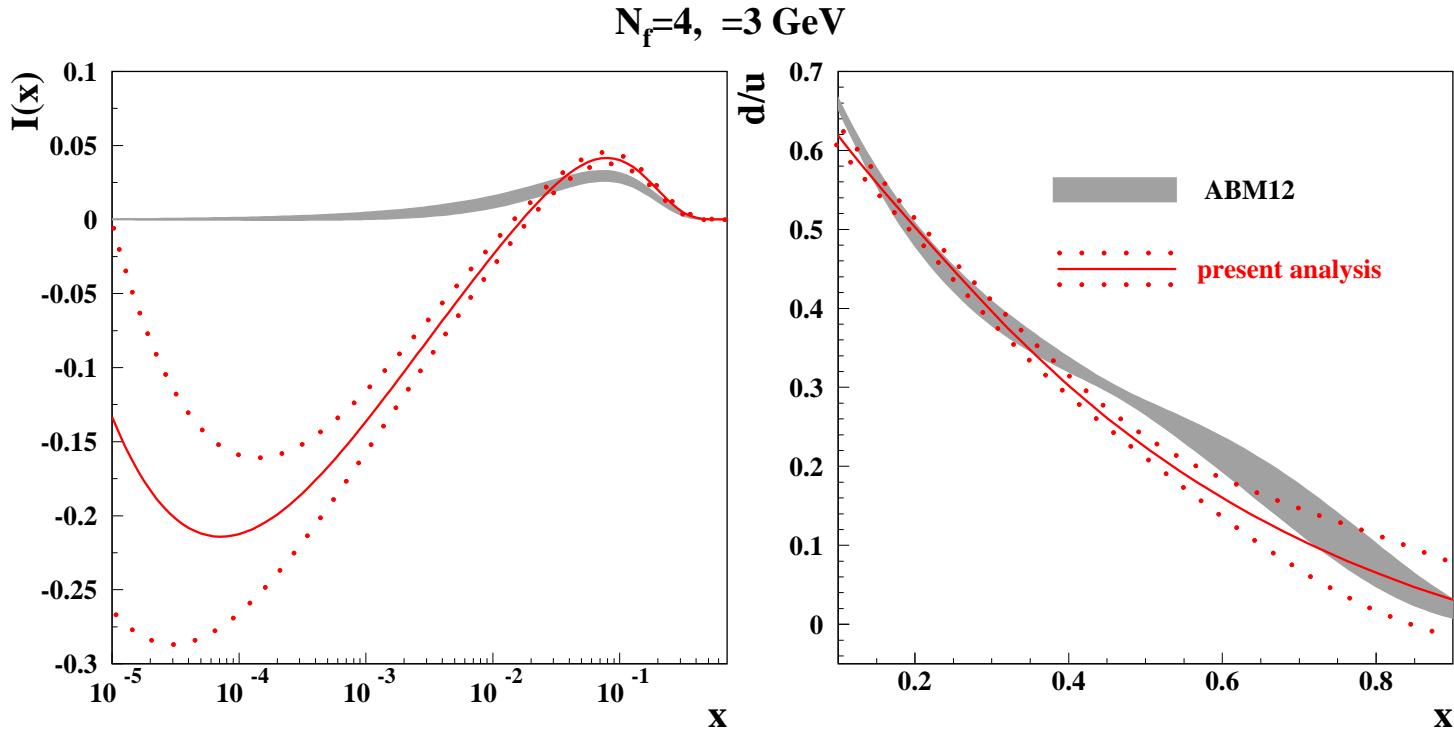
# Tevatron charged lepton asymmetry

D0 (1.96 TeV)



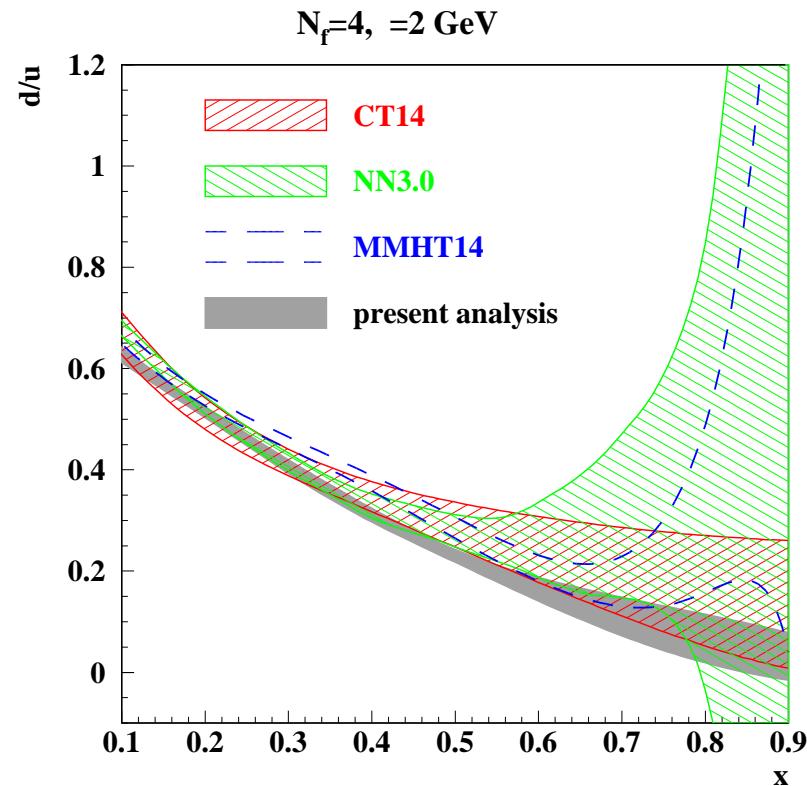
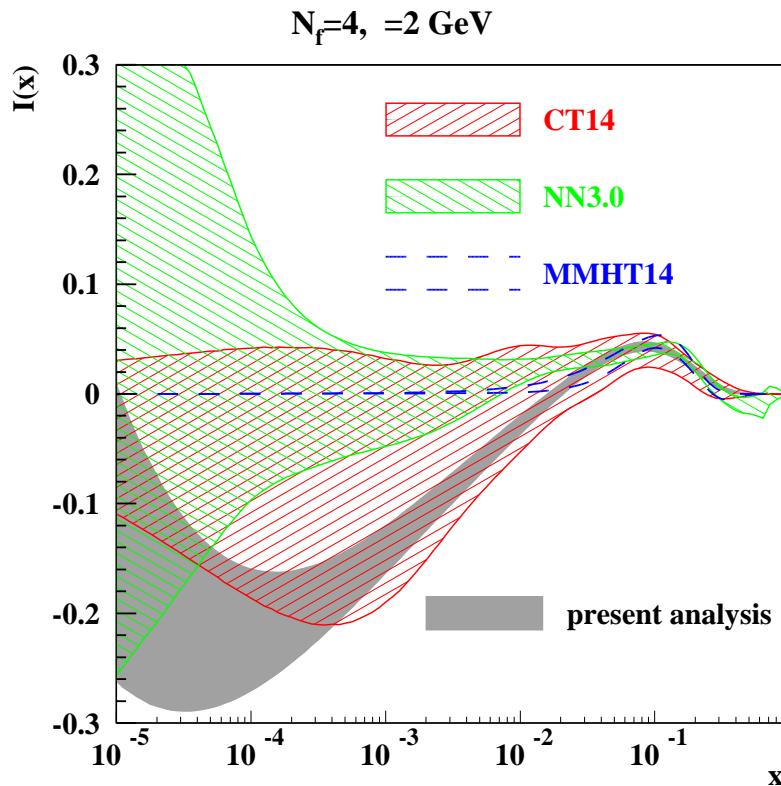
- D0 data for  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow W^\pm + X \rightarrow l^\pm \nu$  (electrons and muons) at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV
- Charged lepton asymmetry as function of pseudo-lepton rapidity  $\eta_l$
- NNLO QCD predictions with **FEWZ** (version 3.1)
- Comparison with **ABM12** (including combined PDF+ $\alpha_s$  uncertainty), **CT10**, **CT14**, **MMHT**, and **NN3.0**

# Light flavor PDFs



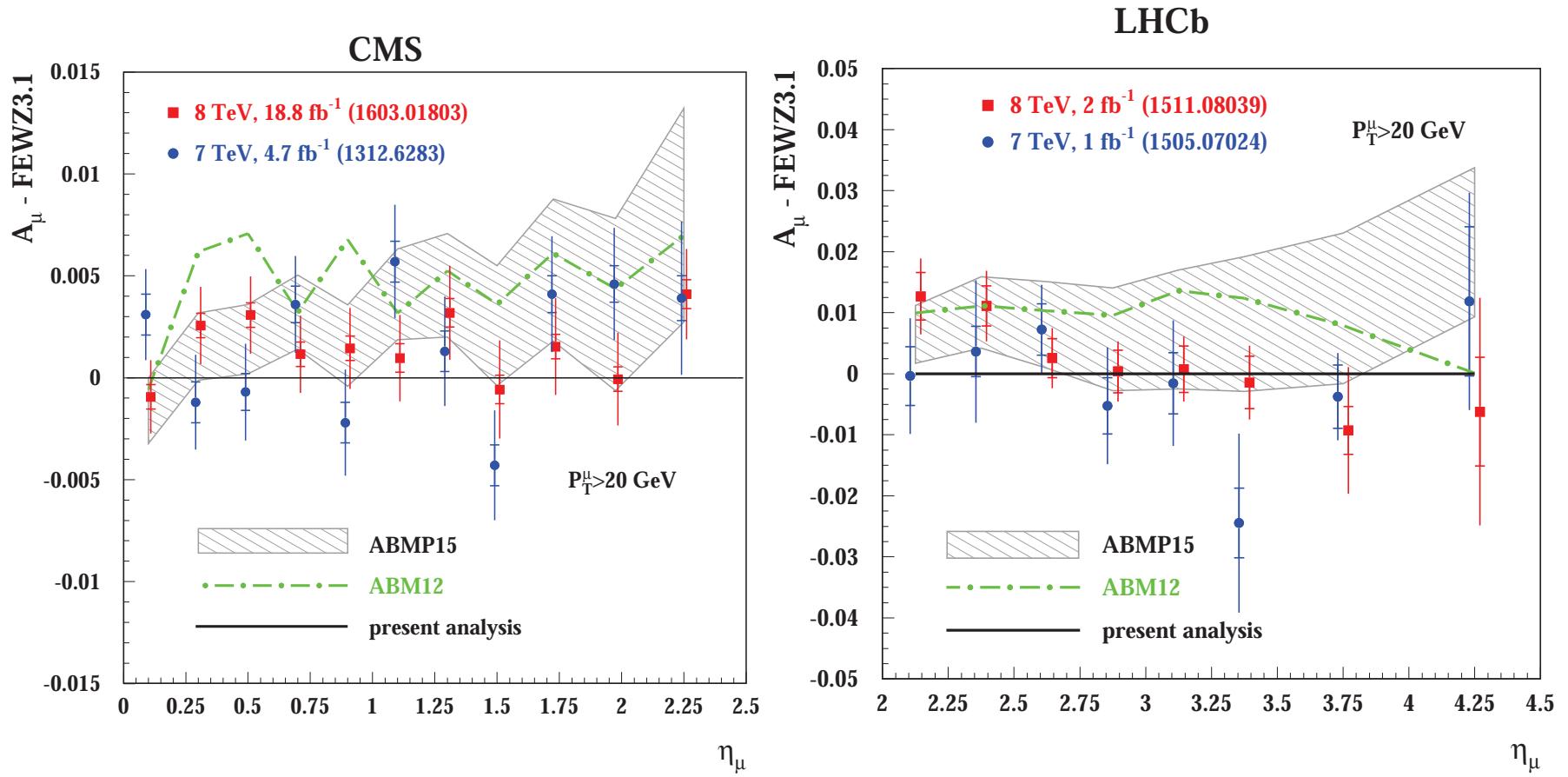
- Light flavor decomposition not well constrained in DIS data
  - ratio  $d/u$  at large  $x$  from fixed target Drell-Yan data E-605, E-866 at the price of modelling nuclear corrections
- Iso-spin asymmetry of sea  $I(x) = \bar{d} - \bar{u}$ 
  - Regge theory arguments for small  $x$  predict  $I(x) \simeq 0$
  - $I(x)$  at small  $x$  constrained by new Tevatron and LHC data
- Upshot: non-vanishing  $I(x)$  at small  $x \simeq 10^{-4}$

# Comparision with other PDFs



- Iso-spin asymmetry of sea  $I(x)$  at small  $x$  and ratio  $d/u$  at large  $x$  with  $1\sigma$  uncertainty band
- Comparison with CT14, MMHT14, NN3.0
  - CT14 finds non-vanishing  $I(x)$  from fit to Tevatron charged lepton asymmetry (D0 data), but with large uncertainties

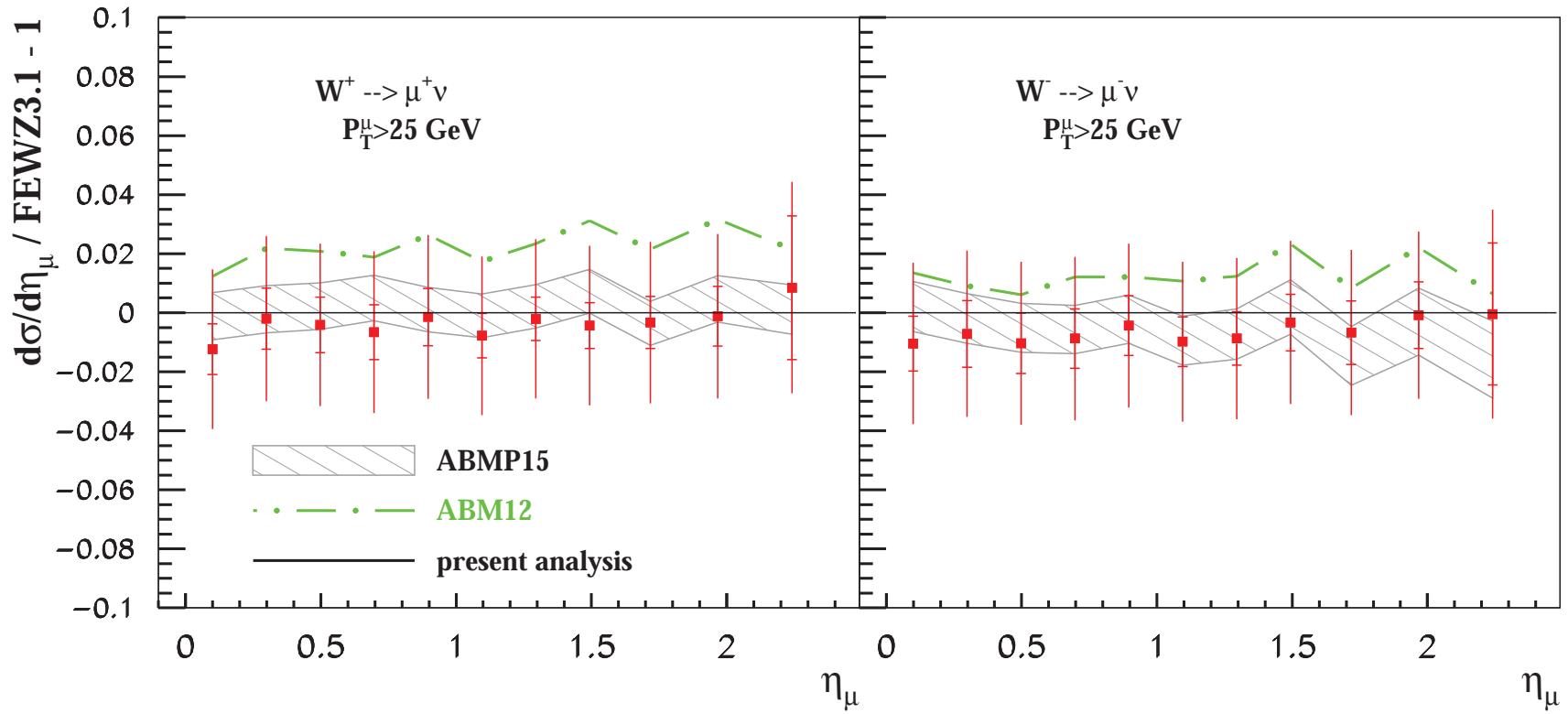
# Muon charge asymmetry from LHC



- CMS and LHCb data for  $pp \rightarrow W^\pm + X \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu + X$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$  and  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ 
  - comparison of ABM12, ABMP15 and ABMP16 fits
- Problematic data point at  $\eta_\mu = 3.375$  for  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$  in LHCb data are omitted in fit

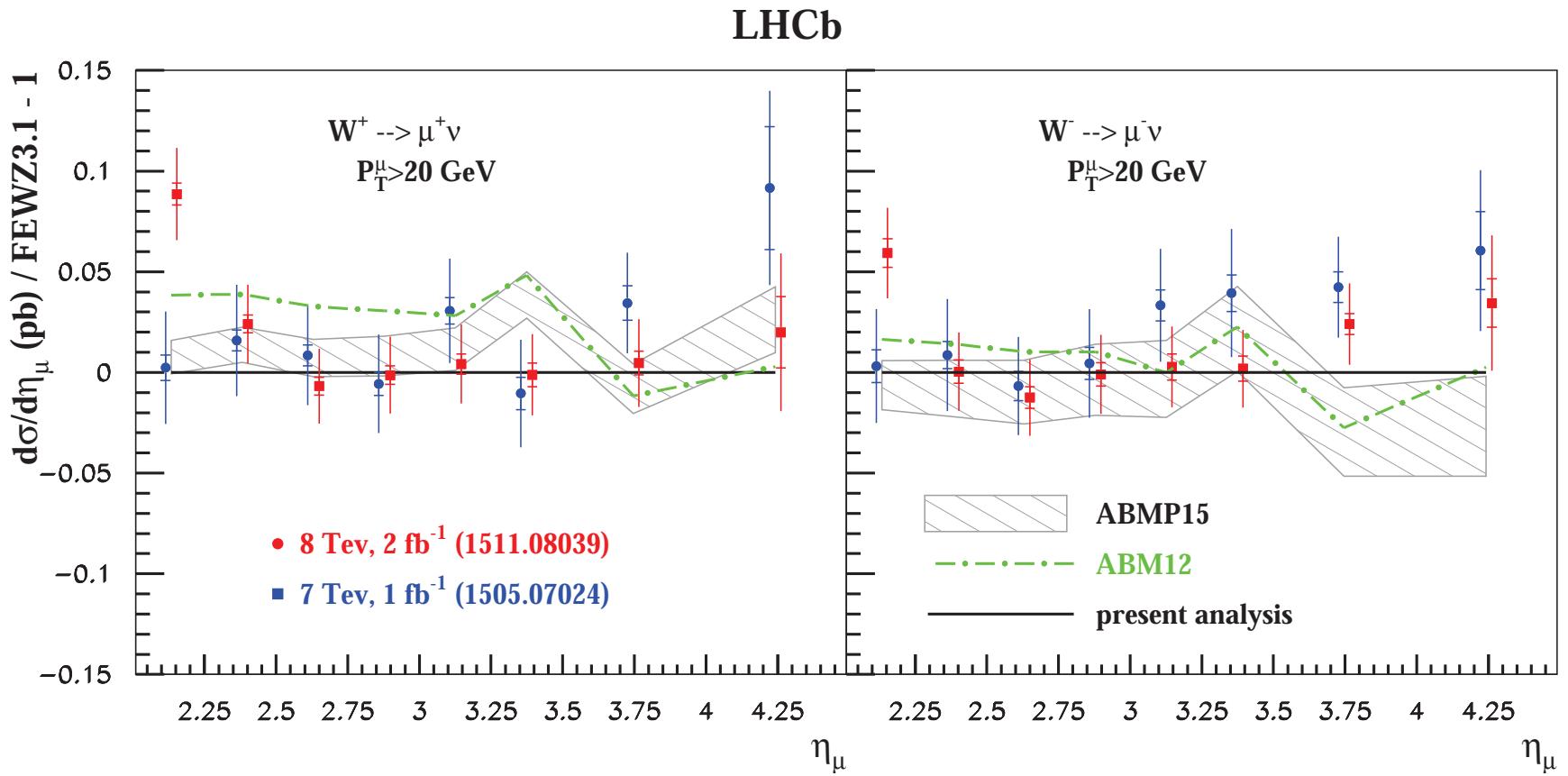
# $W^\pm$ -boson production from LHC (I)

CMS (8 TeV, 18.8 fb<sup>-1</sup>) 1603.01803



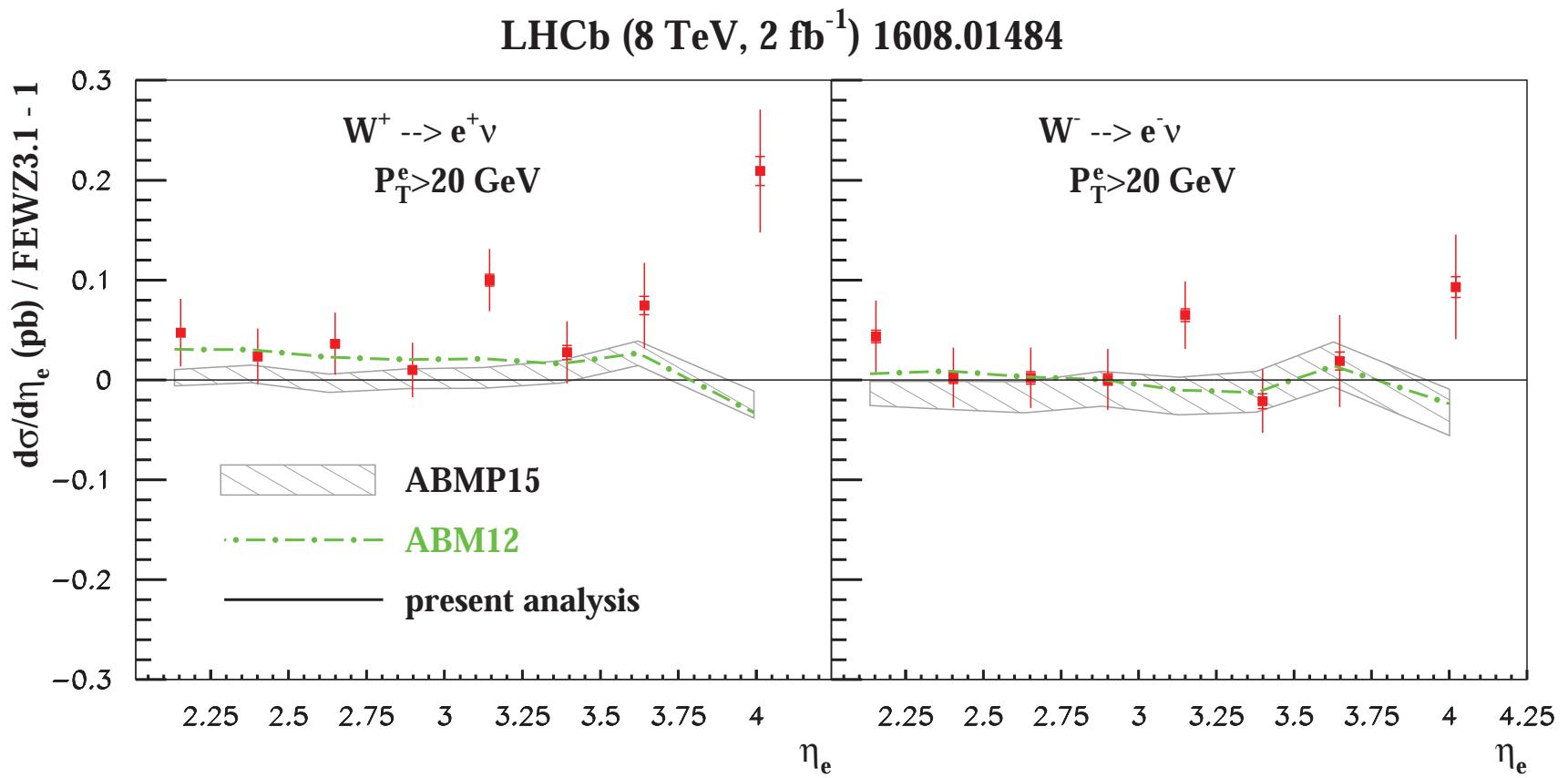
- CMS data on cross section of inclusive  $W^\pm$ -boson production at  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ 
  - channel  $W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu$

# $W^\pm$ -boson production from LHC (II)



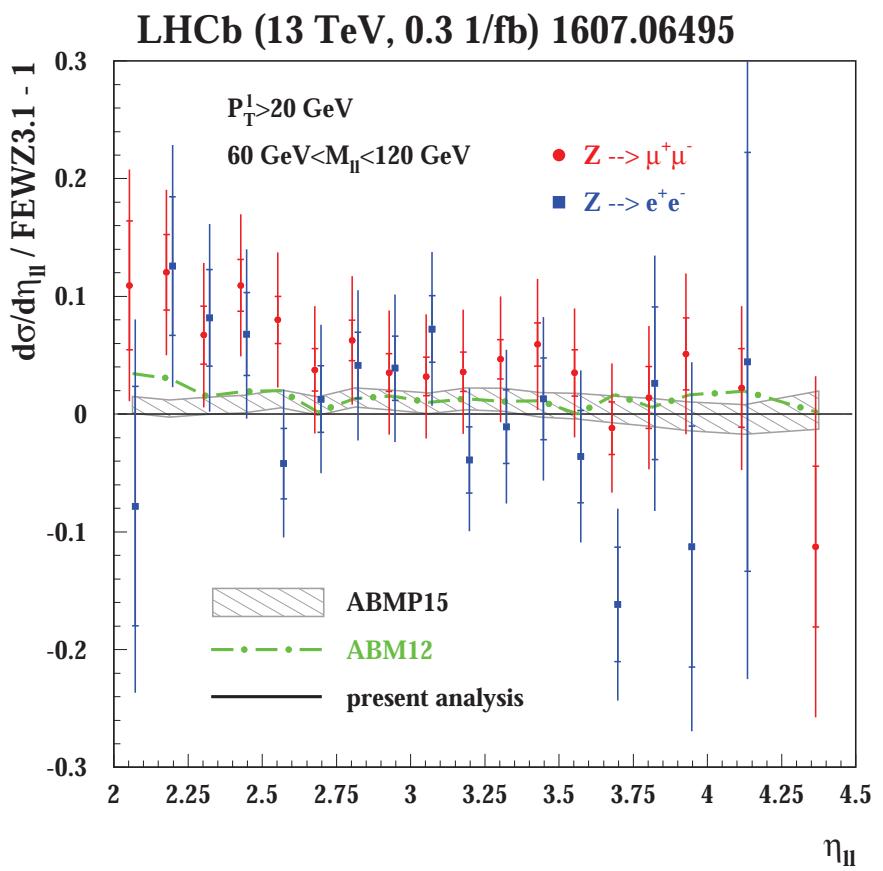
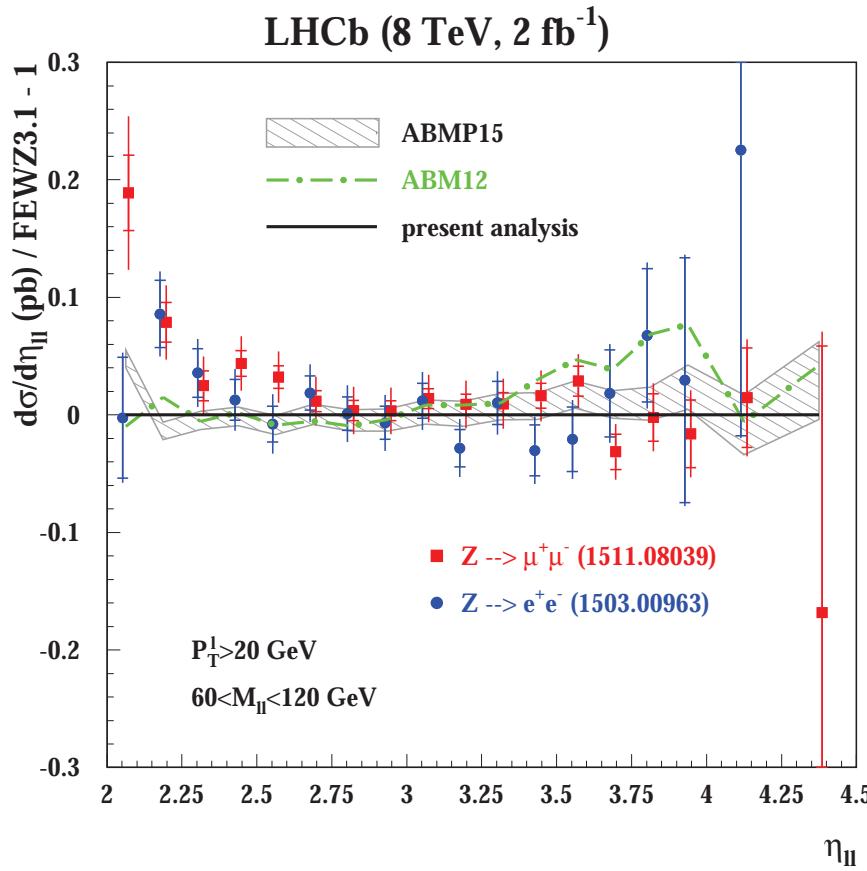
- LHCb data on cross section of inclusive  $W^\pm$ -boson production at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV
  - channel  $W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm\nu$
- Points at  $\eta_\mu = 2.125$  for  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV are not used in fit

# $W^\pm$ -boson production from LHC (III)



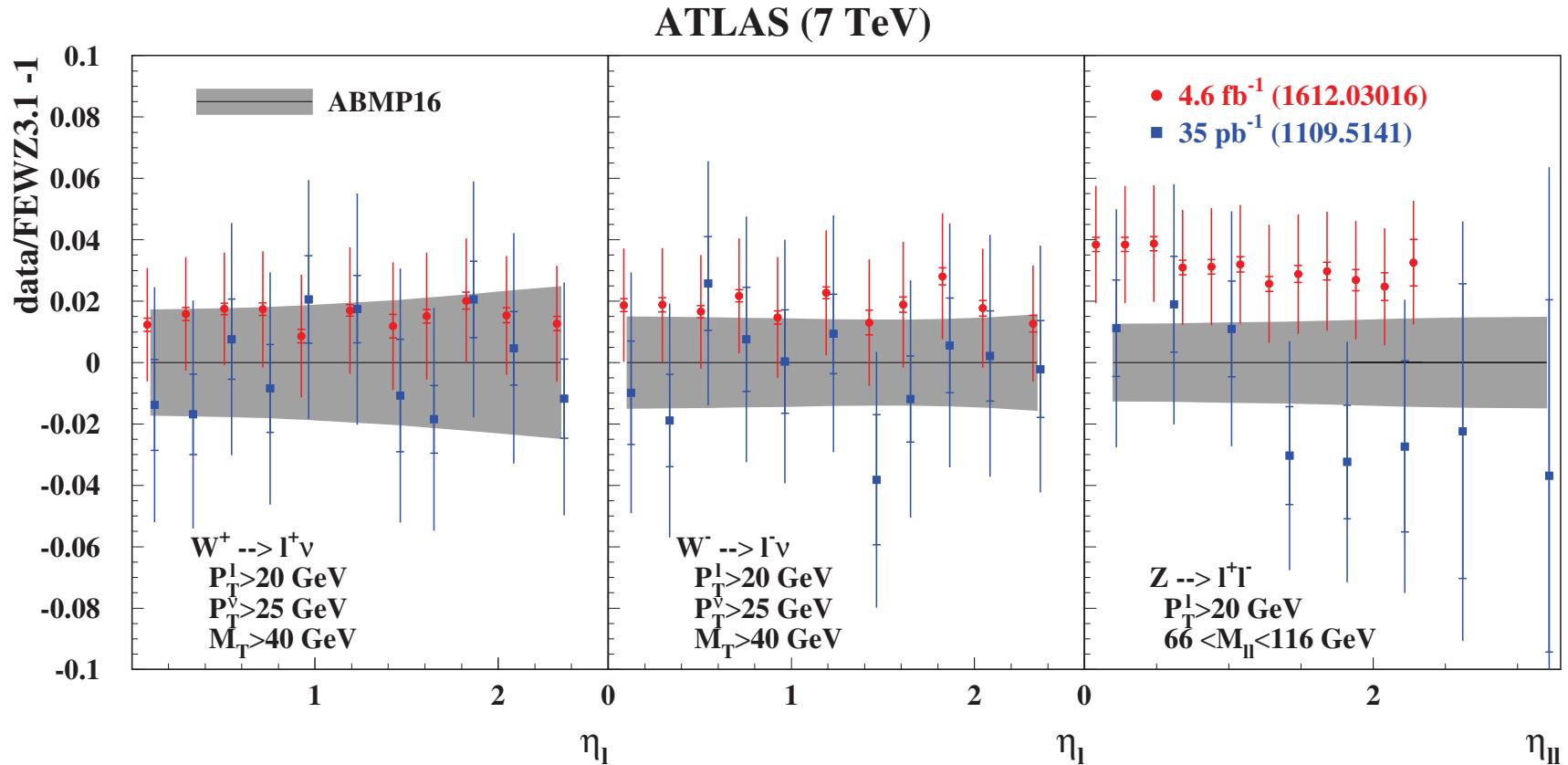
- LHCb data on cross section of inclusive  $W^\pm$ -boson production at  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ 
  - channel  $W^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm \nu$

# *Z*-boson production from LHC



- LHCb data for  $pp \rightarrow Z + X \rightarrow l\bar{l}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$  and  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$ 
  - channels  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

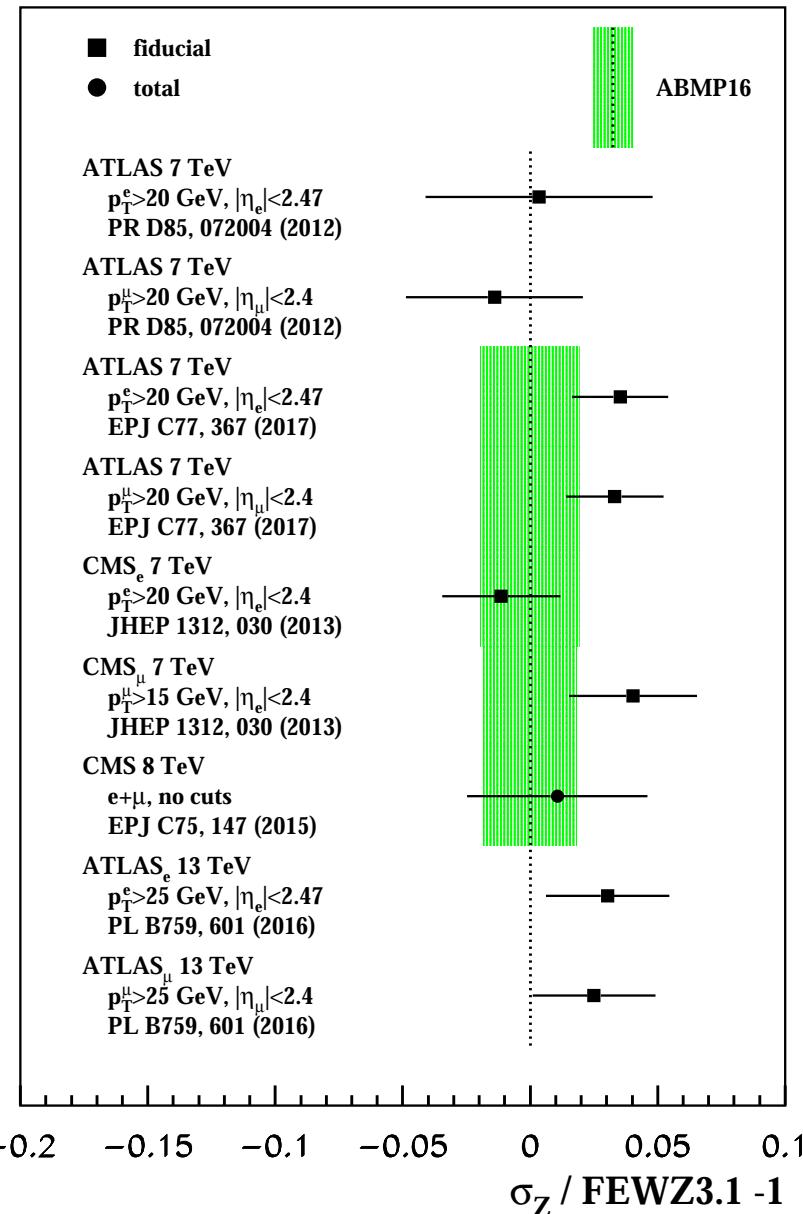
# New $W^\pm$ - and $Z$ -boson production from LHC



- Pulls for ATLAS data for  $pp \rightarrow W^\pm + X \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu + X$  and  $pp \rightarrow Z + X \rightarrow l\bar{l}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$  compared to ABMP16
  - collected at luminosity of  $35 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  (2011) (blue squares)
  - collected at luminosity of  $4.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (2016) (red circles)

# Pulls of $Z$ -boson production from LHC

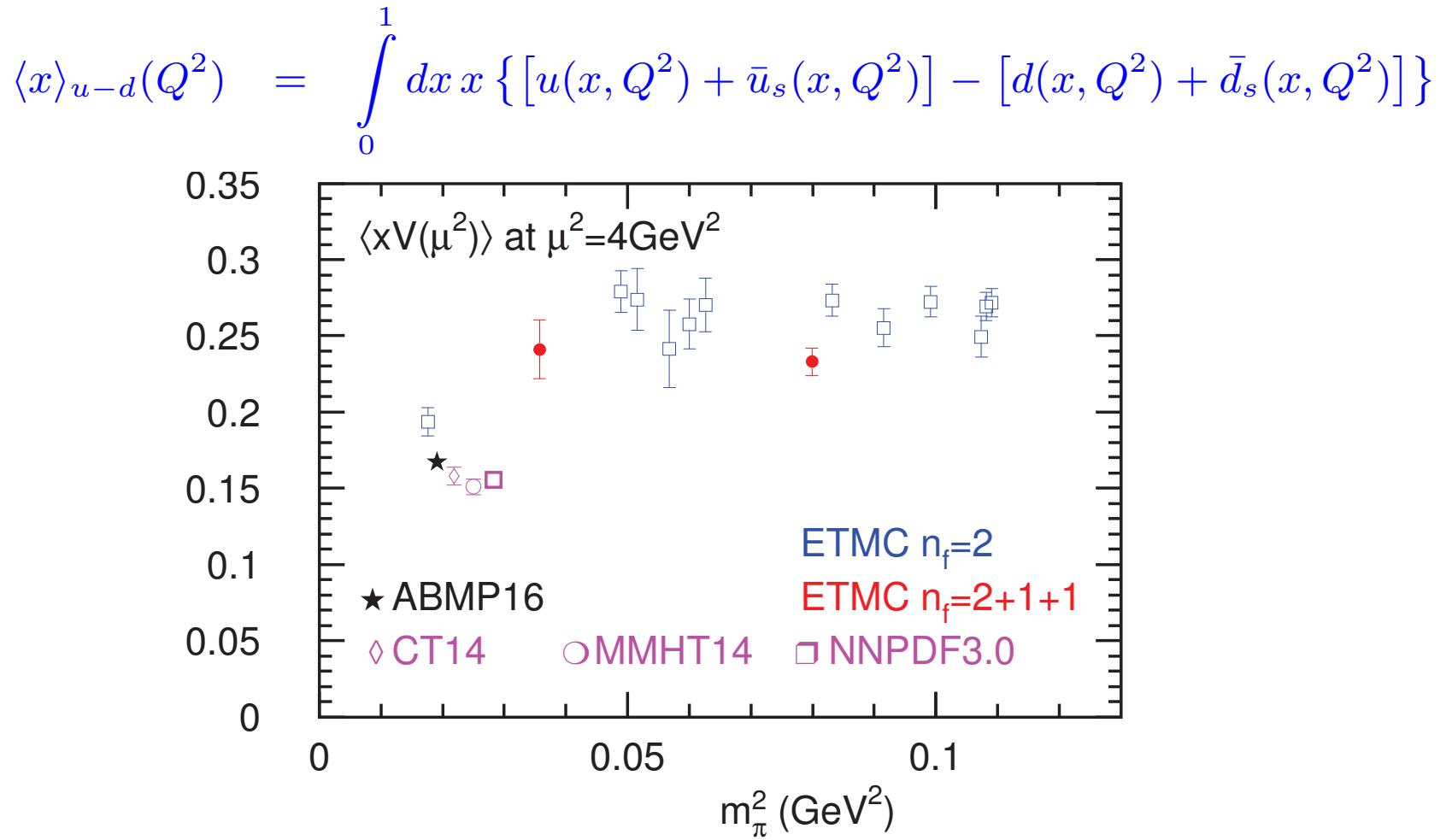
$Z \rightarrow l^+l^-$



- Integrated cross sections of  $Z$ -boson production in proton-proton collisions in central-region measured by **ATLAS** and **CMS** in  $e$ - and  $\mu$ -decay channels at different center-of-mass energies

# Lattice results

- Moments of valence quark densities at NNLO at scale  $Q^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$



Alekhin, Blümlein, S.M. '17

- Lattice QCD for  $n_f = 2$  now down to nearly physical quark masses

# Lattice results

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$$\langle x \rangle_{u-d}(Q^2) = \int_0^1 dx x \left\{ [u(x, Q^2) + \bar{u}_s(x, Q^2)] - [d(x, Q^2) + \bar{d}_s(x, Q^2)] \right\}$$

	$\langle xu_v(x) \rangle$	$\langle xd_v(x) \rangle$	$\langle x[u_v - d_v](x) \rangle$	$\langle xV(x) \rangle$
ABM11 Alekhin, Blümlein, S.M. '12	$0.2966 \pm 0.0039$	$0.1172 \pm 0.0050$	$0.1794 \pm 0.0041$	$0.1652 \pm 0.0039$
ABM12 Alekhin, Blümlein, S.M. '13	$0.2950 \pm 0.0029$	$0.1212 \pm 0.0016$	$0.1738 \pm 0.0025$	$0.1617 \pm 0.0031$
ABMP16 Alekhin, Blümlein, S.M., Placakyte '17	$0.2911 \pm 0.0024$	$0.1100 \pm 0.0031$	$0.1811 \pm 0.0032$	$0.1674 \pm 0.0037$
CT14 Dulat et al. '15	$0.2887^{+0.0074}_{-0.0073}$	$0.1180^{+0.0053}_{-0.0041}$	$0.1707^{+0.0078}_{-0.0092}$	$0.1579^{+0.0095}_{-0.0117}$
MMHT14 Martin, Motylinski, Harland-Lang, Thorne '14	$0.2852^{+0.0052}_{-0.0034}$	$0.1202^{+0.0030}_{-0.0031}$	$0.1650^{+0.0047}_{-0.0034}$	$0.1509^{+0.0053}_{-0.0039}$
NNPDF3.0 Ball et al. '14	$0.2833 \pm 0.0042$	$0.1183 \pm 0.0049$	$0.1650 \pm 0.0054$	$0.1553 \pm 0.0037$
NNPDF3.1 Ball et al. '17	$0.2888 \pm 0.0042$	$0.1139 \pm 0.0048$	$0.1749 \pm 0.0047$	$0.1533 \pm 0.0030$

- Differences, even for low pion masses, between lattice measurements and experimental determination  $\langle x \rangle_{u-d} = 0.1811$  ABM16

# Status (Wrap-up)

## Data

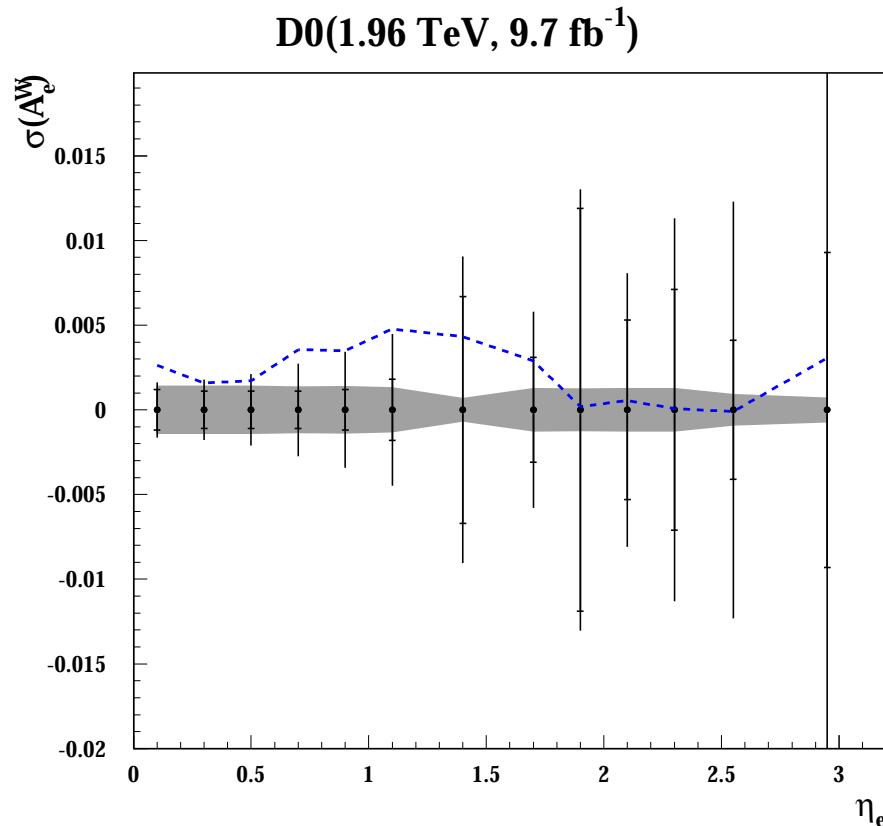
- High precision experimental data, e.g. rapidity distributions with uncertainties less than 1% for central rapidities
  - $W^\pm$ - and  $Z$ -boson production from Tevatron and LHC
  - $Z + \text{jet}$  production

## Theory

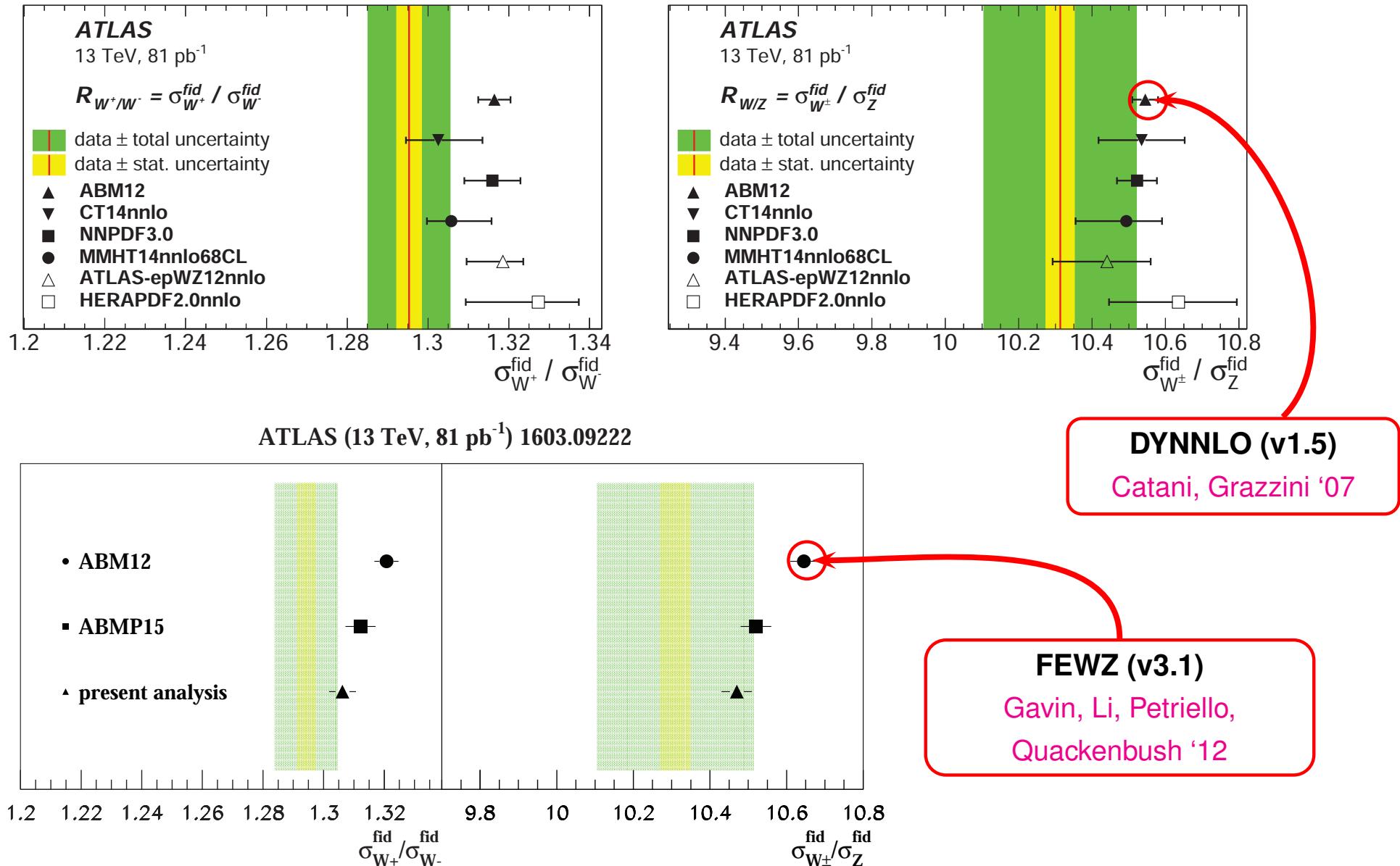
- Complete NNLO QCD corrections with fully differential kinematics to match experimental precision
- Public codes at NNLO
  - FEWZ (v3.1) (sector decomp.) Gavin, Li, Petriello, Quackenbush '12
  - DYNNLO (v1.5) ( $q_T$  slicing) Catani, Grazzini '07
  - SHERPA-NNLO-FO ( $q_T$  slicing) Höche, Li, Prestel '14
  - MCFM at NNLO ( $N$ -jettiness slicing)  
Boughezal, Campbell, Ellis, Focke, Giele, Liu, Petriello, Williams '16

# Theory issues

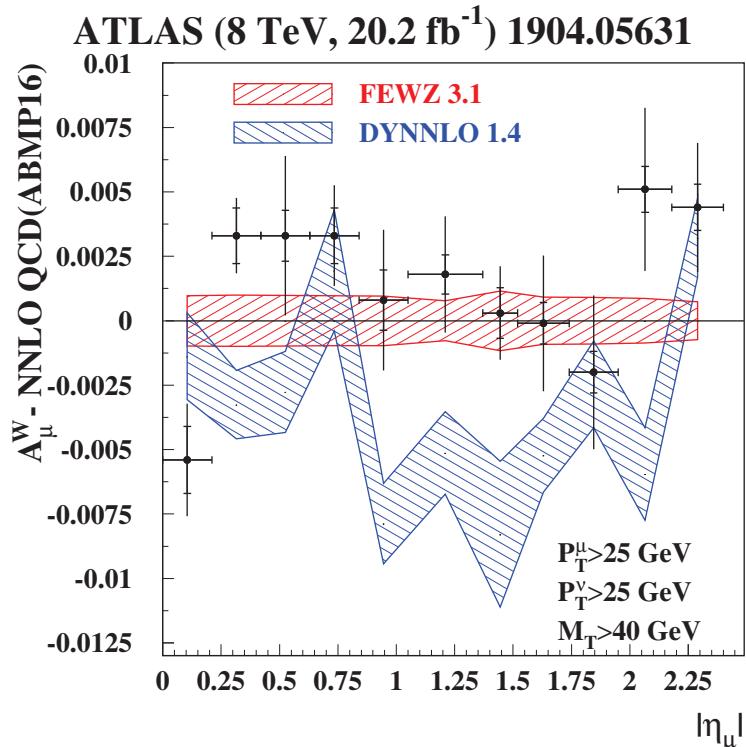
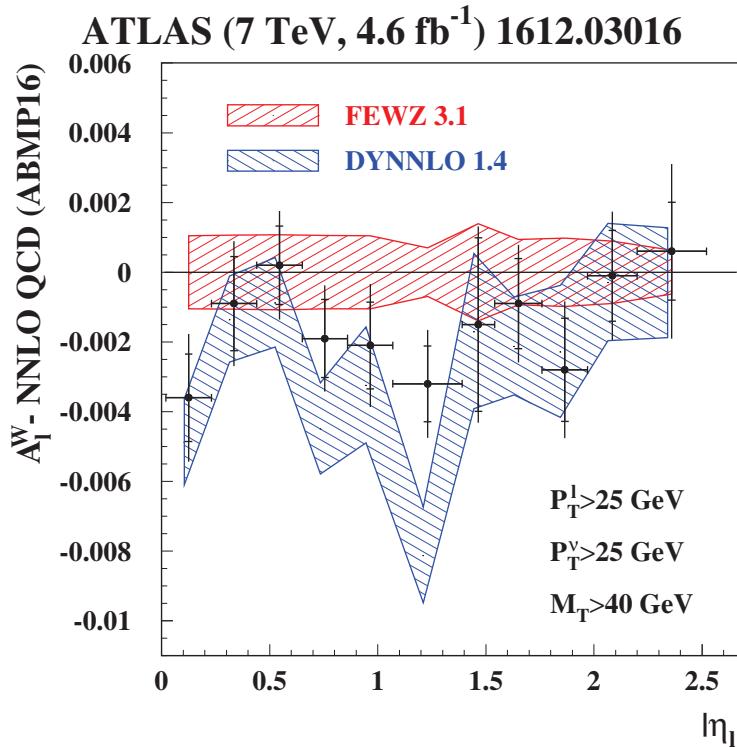
- Data on electron asymmetry with high precision at central rapidities **D0**
- NNLO corrections in coefficient functions not uniform in  $\eta_e$  (dashed curve)
- Numerical accuracy at NNLO (shaded area) obtained with **FEWZ (v3.1)**
- Accuracy of  $\mathcal{O}(1 \text{ ppm})$  to meet uncertainties in experimental data requires  $\mathcal{O}(10^4 \text{ h})$  of running **FEWZ (v3.1)** at NNLO



# *W*- and *Z*-boson cross sections



# *W- and Z-boson cross sections*



- Recent comparison of data on lepton asymmetry  $A_l$  measured by ATLAS at  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$  ([arXiv:1612.03016](#)) and  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$  ([arXiv:1904.05631](#))
- Use of various NNLO tools
  - FEWZ (v3.1)
  - DYNNLO (v1.4)
- Results obtained with  $\mathcal{O}(\text{months})$  of computer wall time

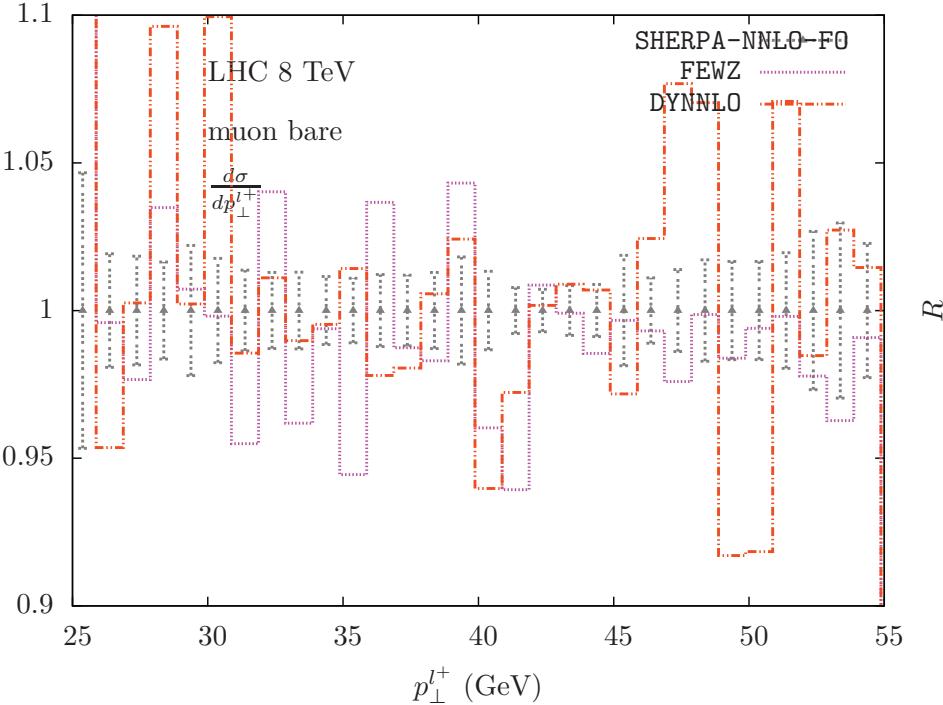
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Catani, Grazzini '07

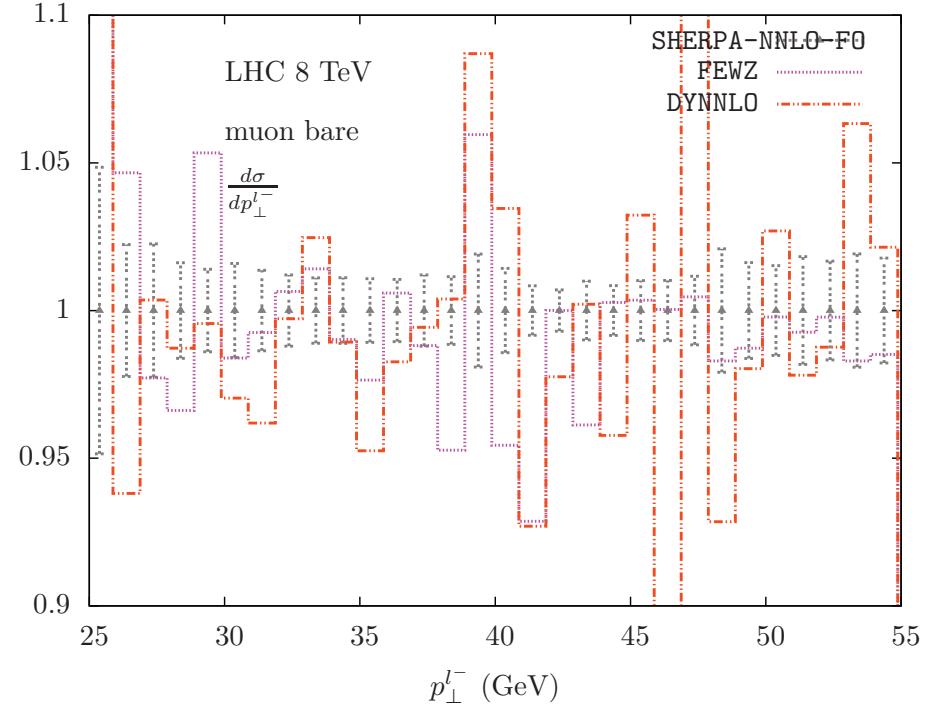
# Benchmark of NNLO predictions

## Benchmark

- LPCC *Electroweak Precision Measurements at the LHC WG1* summary of activity dedicated to systematic comparison of public Monte Carlo codes ([arXiv:1606.02330](https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.02330))
  - ratio of **FEWZ** (v3.1) and **DYNNNLO** (v1.5) to **SHERPA-NNLO-FO** with uncertainties from numerical integration
  - focus on distributions related to  $W$ -mass measurements



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# Cuts on final state momenta

## Problem of symmetric cuts

- Symmetric cuts on the transverse momentum of lepton and missing energy display pathological behavior Frixione, Ridolfi '97
  - assume staggered cuts with minimum transverse momentum  $\Delta$ ,  
 $p_{T,l} \geq E_T^{\text{cut}}$  and  $E_{T,miss} \geq E_T^{\text{cut}} + \Delta$
  - leading collinear singularity of in NLO real-emission contribution with collinear cutoff  $\delta$  (slicing)

$$\sigma^{(r)} = \int d^2 p_{1T} \theta(E_{1T} - E_T^{\text{cut}}) \int d^2 p_{2T} \theta(E_{2T} - E_T^{\text{cut}} - \Delta) \frac{1}{|\vec{p}_{1T} + \vec{p}_{2T}|^2 + \delta}$$

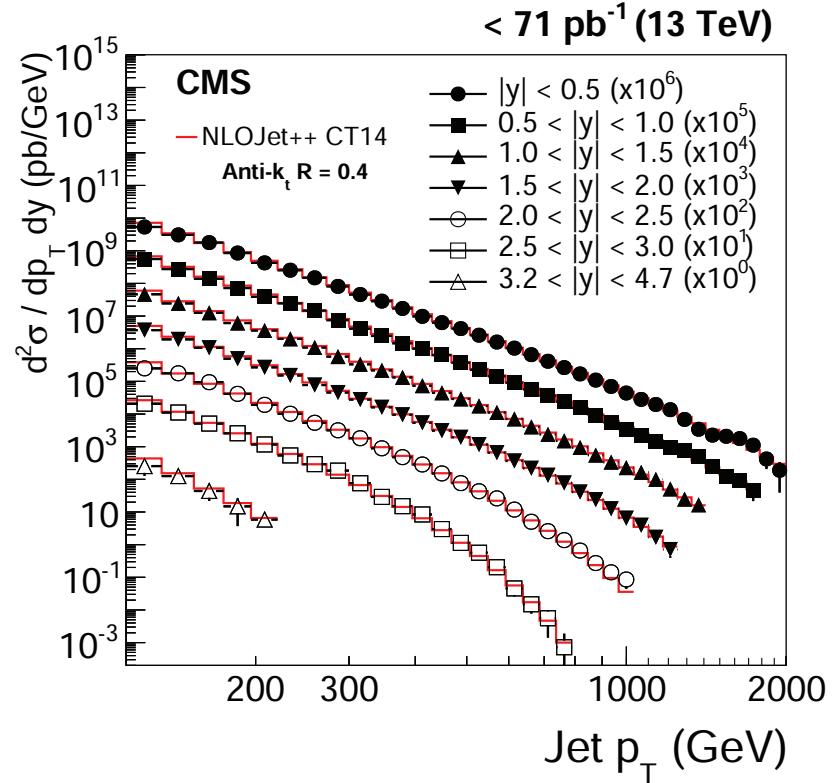
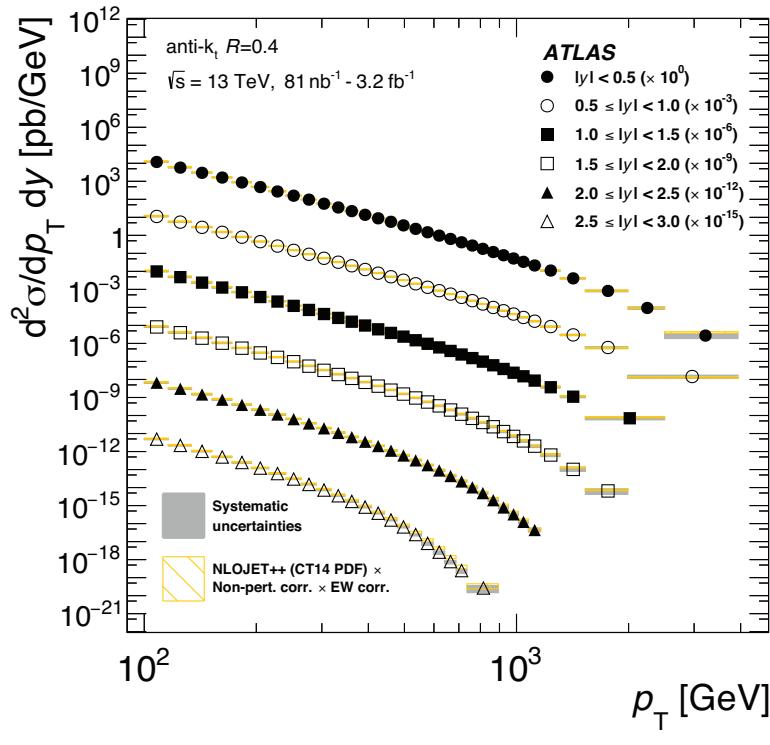
- Real-emission contribution to integrated NLO cross section

$$\sigma^{(r)} = A(\Delta, \delta) + B \log \delta - C(\Delta + \delta) \log(\Delta + \delta)$$

- $A(\Delta, \delta)$  and first derivative  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta} A(\Delta, \delta)$  regular in  $\Delta = 0$  for any  $\delta$
- $B$  identifies collinear singularity
- $-C(\Delta + \delta) \log(\Delta + \delta)$  regular for finite  $\Delta$  and  $\delta$ , but becomes  $\propto \delta \log \delta$  but for symmetric cuts  $\Delta$
- Upshot: residual uncertainty in subtraction schemes with  $q_T$  slicing

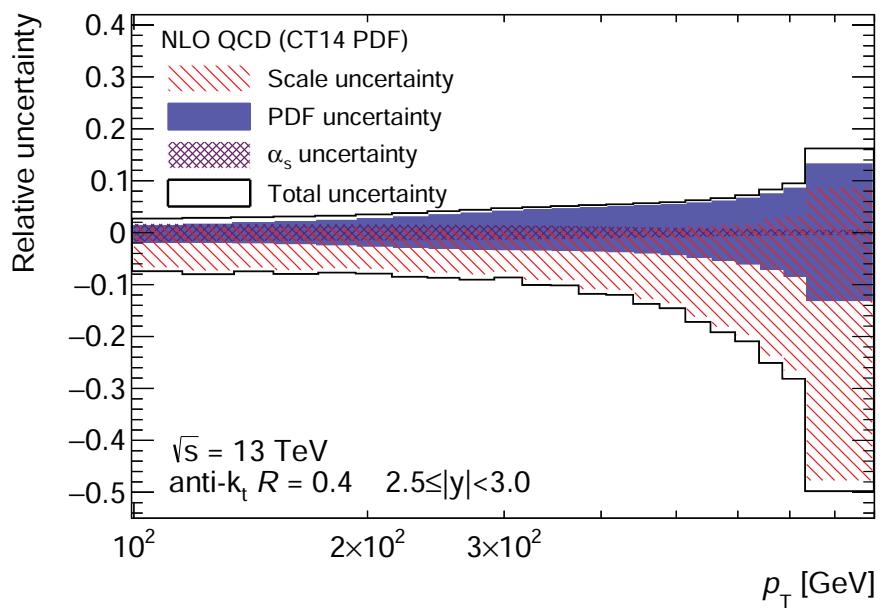
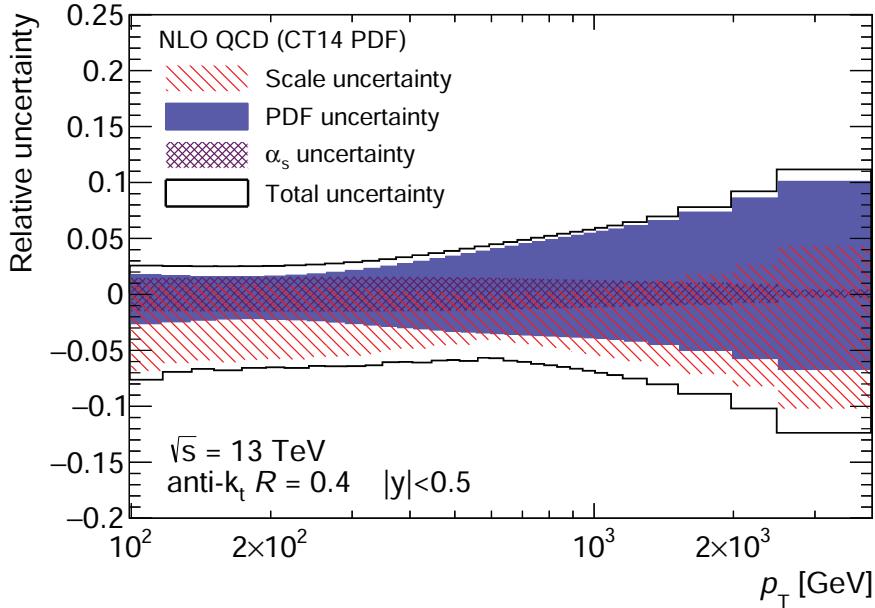
# *Hadro-production of jets*

# Single-inclusive jet production



- Double differential cross section for  $pp \rightarrow \text{jet} + X$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV
  - transverse momentum  $p_T$  and rapidity  $y$  of signal-jet
  - ATLAS arXiv:1711.02692 (left), CMS arXiv:1605.04436 (right)
- Comparison with NLO perturbative QCD predictions (NLOJET++ Nagy)
  - impressive agreement over several orders of magnitude

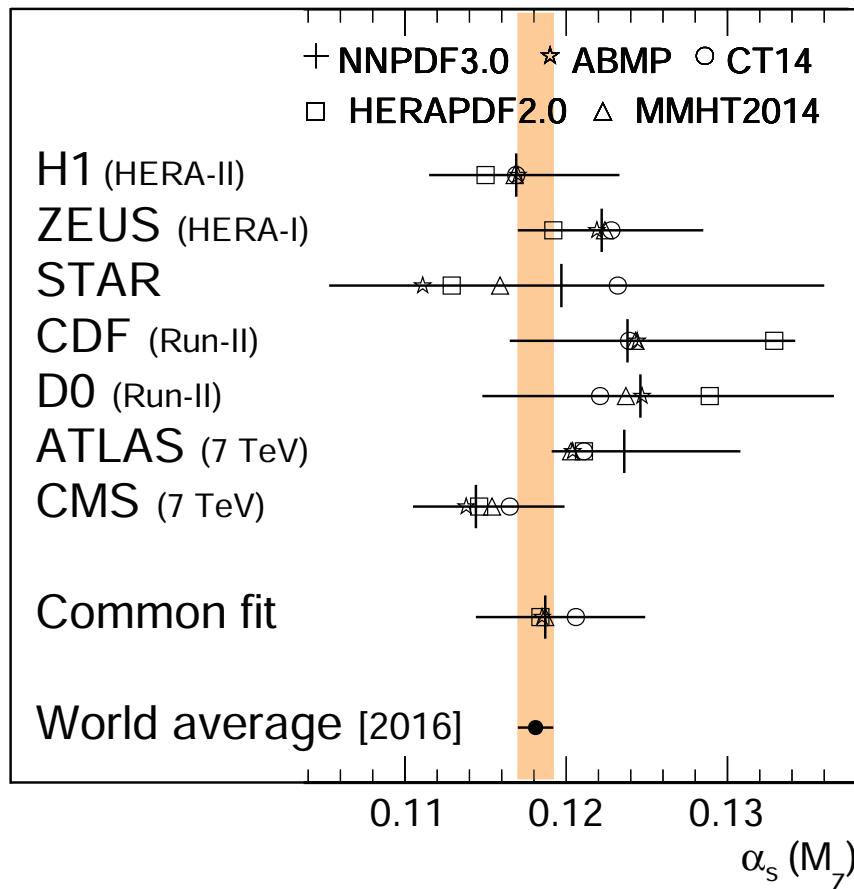
# Uncertainties



- Relative QCD uncertainties in single-inclusive jet cross-sections at NLO
  - first and last  $|y|$  bins for inclusive jet measurement
  - uncertainties due to renormalization and factorization scales,  $\mu_R$ ,  $\mu_F$ , the strong coupling  $\alpha_s$  with  $\Delta\alpha_s = 0.0015$  and PDFs CT14
- Sizable uncertainties
  - $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$  for central rapidities  $|y| < 0.5$
  - $\mathcal{O}(30 - 40\%)$  forward  $2.5 \leq |y| < 3.0$  at large  $p_T$

# Uses of inclusive jet data

- Dermination of  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  and PDFs (gluon at medium to large  $x$ )
  - partonic cross sections  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow \text{jet}} \propto \alpha_s^2(\mu)$
  - jet cross section  $d\sigma_{pp \rightarrow \text{jet}} = \alpha_s^2(\mu) \sum_{ij} f_i(\mu) \otimes f_j(\mu) \otimes [\dots]$



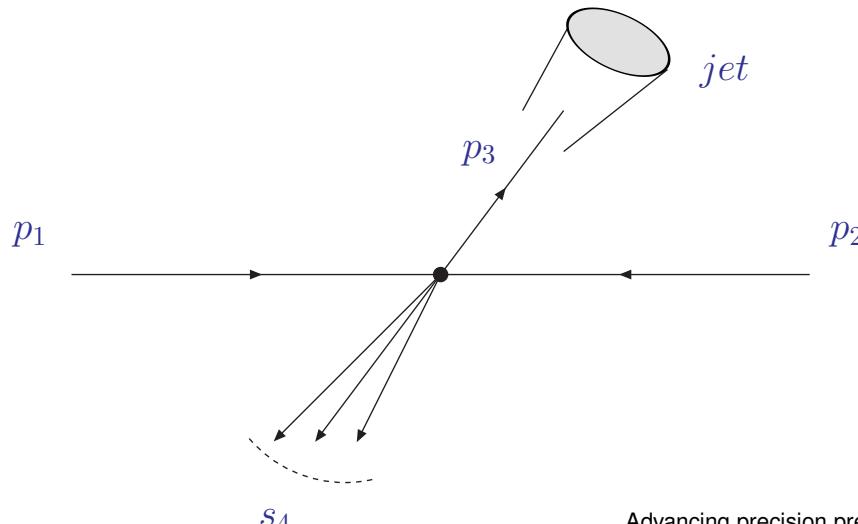
- $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  at NLO in QCD from inclusive jet cross section data  
Britzger, Rabbertz, Savoiu, Sieber '17
- correlations between PDFs and  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  are important

# QCD factorization

- Double differential cross section for  $pp \rightarrow \text{jet} + X$ 
  - transverse momentum  $p_T$  and rapidity  $\eta$  of signal-jet

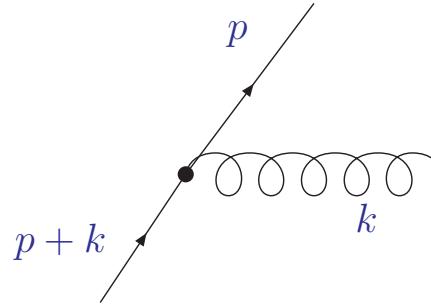
$$\frac{p_T^2 d^2\sigma}{dp_T^2 d\eta} = \sum_{i_1 i_2} \int_0^{V(1-W)} dz \int_{\frac{VW}{1-z}}^{1-\frac{1-V}{1-z}} dv x_1^2 f_{i_1}(x_1) x_2^2 f_{i_2}(x_2) \frac{d^2 \hat{\sigma}_{i_1 i_2}}{dv dz}(v, z, p_T, R)$$

- PDFs  $f_i$  and variables  $V = 1 - p_T e^{-\eta}/\sqrt{S}$ ,  $VW = p_T e^\eta/\sqrt{S}$
- Partonic cross sections  $\hat{\sigma}_{i_1 i_2}$  dependent on partonic kinematic variables on  $s = x_1 x_2 S$ ,  $v = u/(u+t)$  and partonic threshold  $z = s_4/s \rightarrow 0$
- Mandelstam variables  $s = (p_1 + p_2)^2$ ,  $t = (p_1 - p_3)^2$  and  $u = (p_2 - p_3)^2$  with kinematics constraint  $s + t + u = s_4$



# Threshold logarithms

- Soft and collinear regions of phase space
  - double logarithms from singular regions in Feynman diagrams
  - propagator vanishes for:  $E_g = 0$ , soft  $\theta_{qg} = 0$  collinear



$$\frac{1}{(p+k)^2} = \frac{1}{2p \cdot k} = \frac{1}{2E_q E_g (1 - \cos \theta_{qg})}$$

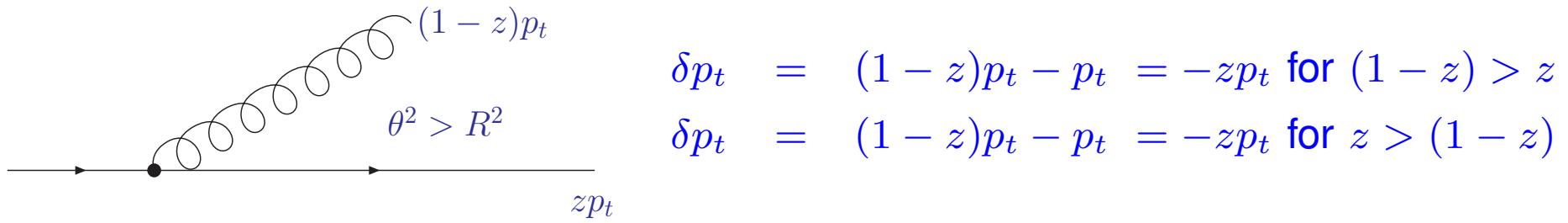
$$\alpha_s \int d^4 k \frac{1}{(p+k)^2} \rightarrow \alpha_s \int dE_g d\sin \theta_{qg} \frac{1}{2E_q E_g (1 - \cos \theta_{qg})}$$

$$\rightarrow \alpha_s \ln^2(\dots)$$

- Large double-logarithmic corrections  $\ln(\dots) \gg 1$  near threshold
- Single-inclusive jet production with threshold logarithms  
 $\alpha_s^n (\ln^{2n-1}(z)/z)_+$  for  $z = s_4/s \rightarrow 0$ 
  - positive corrections enhance partonic cross sections  $\hat{\sigma}_{i_1 i_2}$
  - long history of resummation Sterman '87; Catani, Trentadue '88; ...
- Same for weak radiative corrections: positive correction for large  $p_t \gg M_W$  Dittmaier, Huss, Speckner '12

# Jet radius logarithms (I)

- Collinear singularity when the jet becomes very narrow
  - partons radiated outside of jet (not recombined with jet by chosen jet algorithm) become more and more collinear to emitter
- Example
  - loss of transverse momentum for leading jet
  - quasi-collinear branching of quark with transverse momentum  $p_t$



- Perturbative radiation loss for average  $\langle \delta p_t \rangle_q$

$$\langle \delta p_t \rangle_q = p_t \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_{R^2}^1 \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} \int dz (\max[z, 1 - z] - 1) P_{qq}(z)$$

# Jet radius logarithms (II)

- Leading order result for quark and gluon jets Dasgupta, Magnea, Salam '07

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \delta p_t \rangle_q &= C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} p_t \ln(R) \left( 2 \ln 2 - \frac{3}{8} \right) &= 0.43 \alpha_s \ln(R) \\ \langle \delta p_t \rangle_g &= \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} p_t \ln(R) \left[ C_A \left( 2 \ln 2 - \frac{43}{96} \right) + T_f n_f \frac{7}{48} \right] = 1.02 \alpha_s \ln(R)\end{aligned}$$

- Large single-logarithmic corrections  $\ln(1/R) \gg 1$  for small  $R$ 
  - negative corrections decrease partonic cross sections  $\hat{\sigma}_{i_1 i_2}$
  - resummation ...

# Joint resummation

## SCET factorization

- Factorization in small- $R$  and  $z \rightarrow 0$  threshold limit
  - assume anti- $k_t$  jet algorithm,  $z \sim R$ , and small finite mass of jet

$$\frac{d^2\hat{\sigma}_{i_1 i_2}}{dv dz} = s \int ds_X ds_c ds_G \delta(zs - s_X - s_G - s_c) \\ \times \text{Tr} [\mathbf{H}_{i_1 i_2}(v, p_T, \mu_h, \mu) \mathbf{S}_G(s_G, \mu_{sG}, \mu)] J_X(s_X, \mu_X, \mu) \\ \times \sum_m \text{Tr} [J_m(p_T R, \mu_J, \mu) \otimes_\Omega S_{c,m}(s_c R, \mu_{sc}, \mu)]$$

- Specific functions for individual kinematic regions
  - hard functions for  $2 \rightarrow 2$  scattering  $\mathbf{H}_{i_1 i_2}$  (known to 2-loops Broggio, Ferroglio, Pecjak, Zhang '14)
  - inclusive jet function  $J_X(s_X)$  dependent on invariant mass  $s_X$  of the recoiling collimated radiation (known to order  $\alpha_s^2$  Becher, Neubert '06, Becher, Bell '10)
  - global soft function  $\mathbf{S}_G$  accounts for wide-angle soft radiation which cannot resolve the small radius  $R$  (known to NLO Liu, S.M., Ringer '17)

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- Specific functions for individual kinematic regions
  - signal-jet function  $J(p_T R)$  accounts for energetic radiation inside jet  
Becher, Neubert, Rothen, Shao '15
  - soft-collinear (“coft”) function  $S_c(s_c R)$  captures soft radiation near jet boundary  
Becher, Neubert, Rothen, Shao '15, Chien, Hornig, Lee '15
- Sum runs over all collinear splittings and traces taken in color space
- ‘ $\otimes_\Omega$ ’ denotes associated angular integrals  
Becher, Neubert, Rothen, Shao '15

# Phenomenology

- Evaluation of cross section in SCET (resummation) with renormalization group equations
  - evolution of all functions from their natural scales  $\mu_i$  to common hard scale  $\mu = p_T^{\max}$
- Matching of NLL resummed results with full NLO calculation (need to avoid double counting)

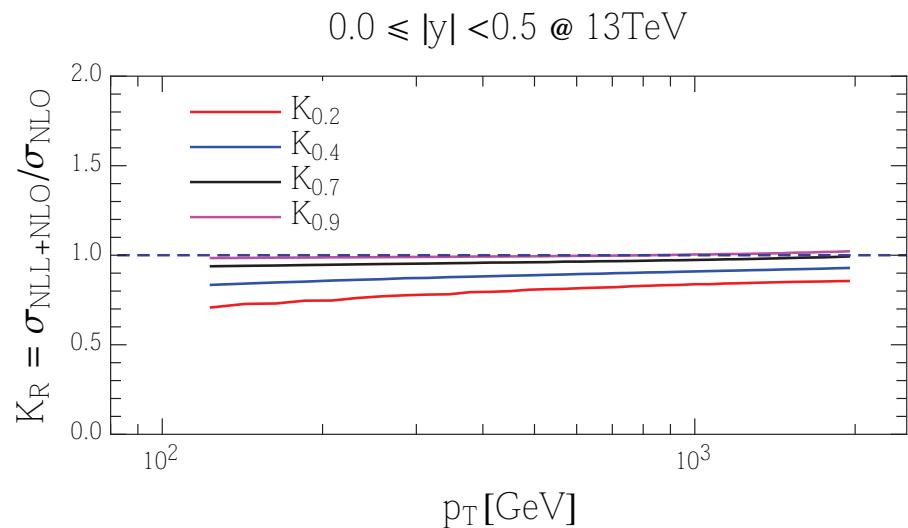
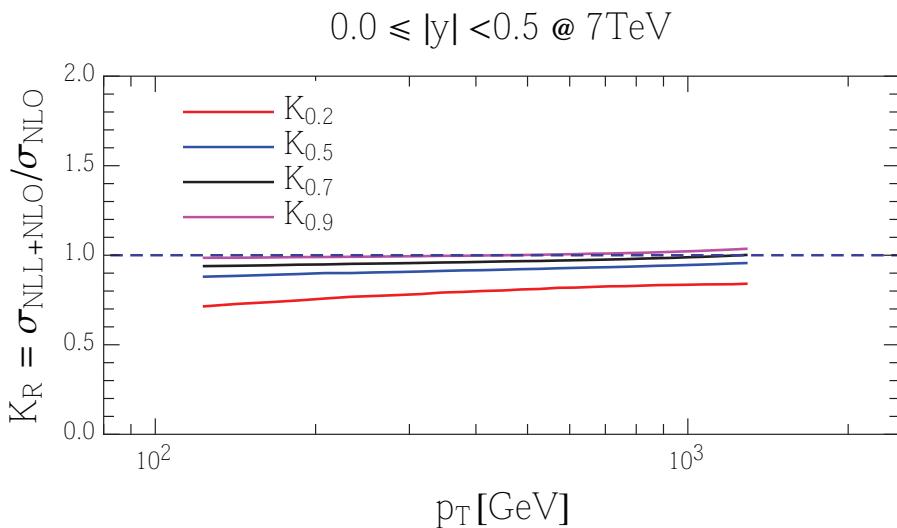
$$d\sigma = d\sigma_{\text{NLL}} - d\sigma_{\text{NLO}_{\text{sin}}} + d\sigma_{\text{NLO}}$$

- resummed cross section  $d\sigma_{\text{NLL}}$
- fixed order NLO result in singular limit  $d\sigma_{\text{NLO}_{\text{sin}}}$
- complete fixed order NLO result  $d\sigma_{\text{NLO}}$

# Jet radius dependence (I)

## Resummation for various $R$

- Ratio  $K_R$  of NLO + NLL and NLO cross sections for different jet radii
$$K_R = \frac{\sigma_{\text{NLL+NLO}}(R)}{\sigma_{\text{NLO}}(R)}$$
- LHC at  $\sqrt{S} = 7 \text{ TeV}$  (left) and  $13 \text{ TeV}$  (right) with NLO PDF set of MMHT

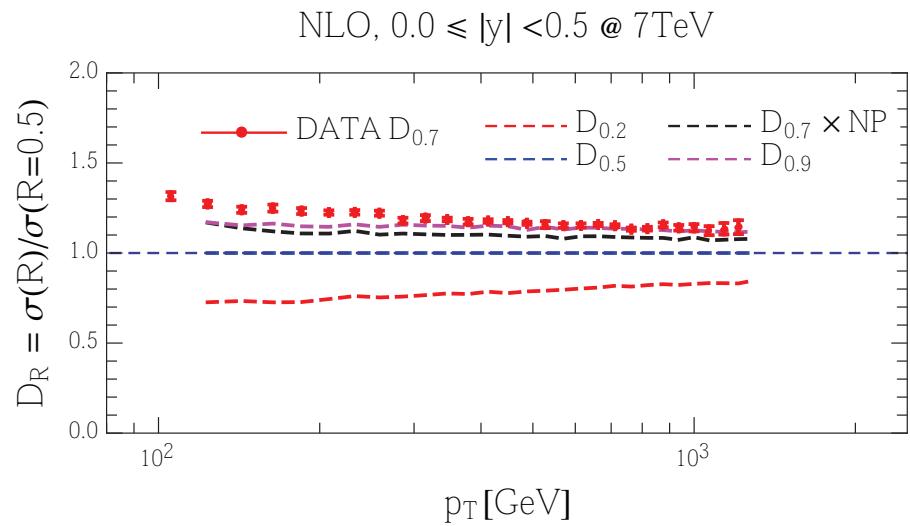
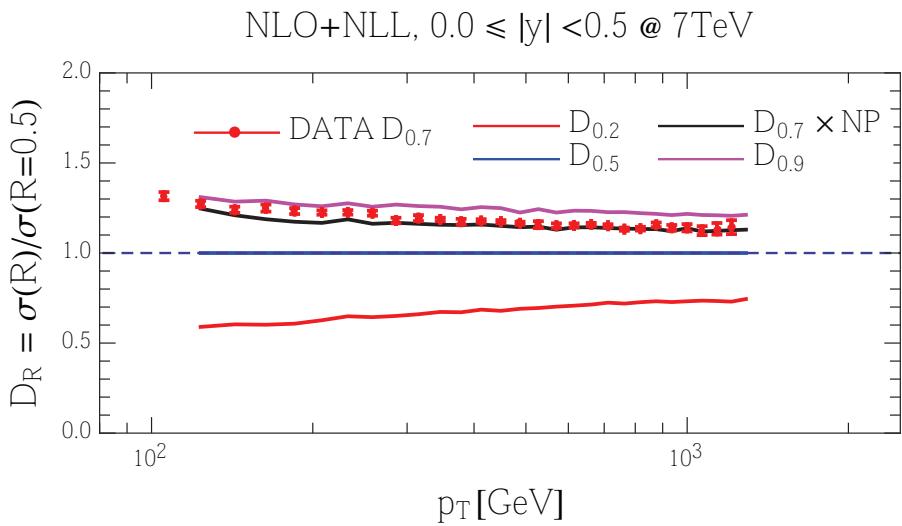


- Significant effect for small jet radii; reduction of  $\mathcal{O}(20\%)$  for  $R = 0.2$  in entire range of  $p_t$

# Jet radius dependence (II)

## Impact of joint resummation

- Cross section ratio  $D_R = \frac{\sigma(R)}{\sigma(R_{\text{fixed}})}$
- $D_R$  for NLO + NLL (left) and NLO (right) cross sections for  $R_{\text{fixed}} = 0.5$  at  $\sqrt{S} = 7 \text{ TeV}$  with NLO PDF set of [MMHT14](#)
- Single-inclusive jet data from collected at  $\sqrt{S} = 7 \text{ TeV}$  with  $R = 0.7$  by [CMS arXiv:1406.0324](#) (with NP correction factors)

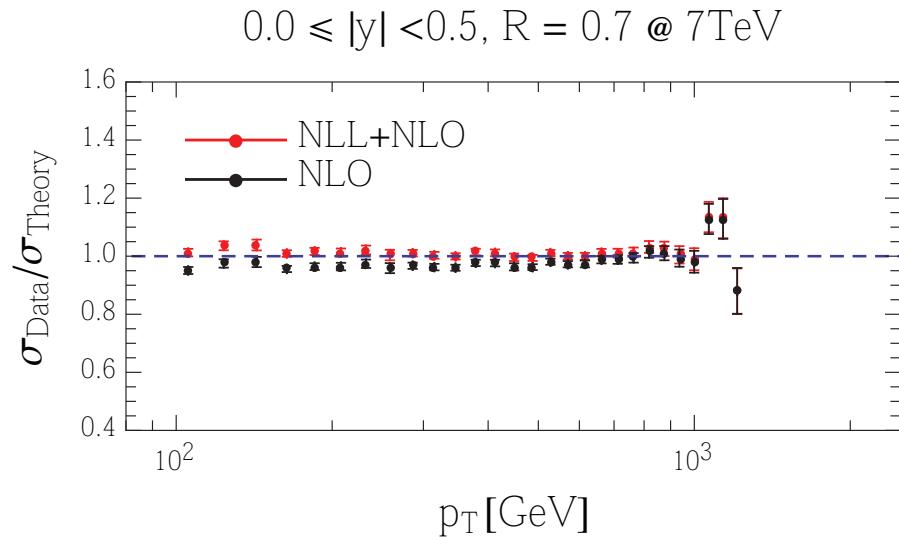
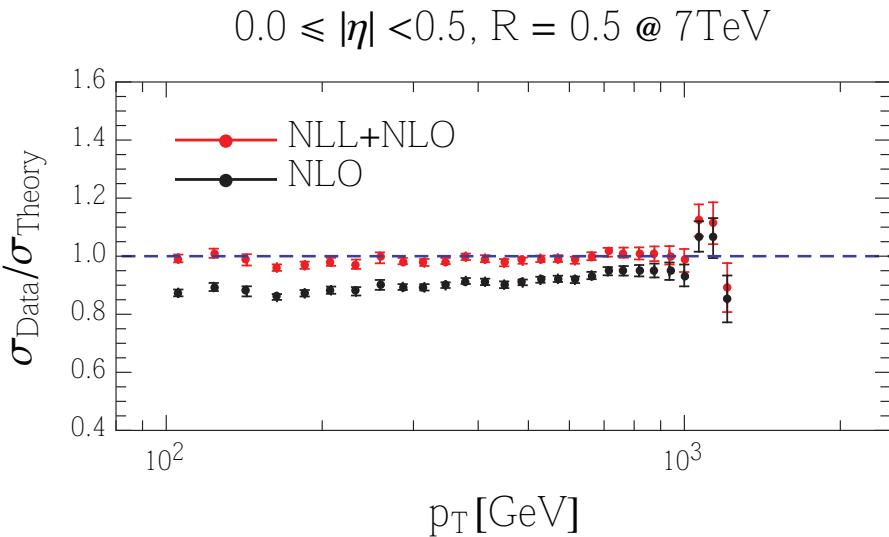


- NLO result overshoots; joint resummation agrees with data for  $D_{R=0.7}$

# Data vs. theory (I)

LHC data at  $\sqrt{S} = 7$  TeV

- Ratio  $\sigma_{\text{Data}}/\sigma_{\text{Theory}}$  with  $R = 0.5$  (left) and  $R = 0.7$  (right) to theoretical results at NLO (black dots) and at NLO + NLL (red dots) accuracy
  - NLO PDF set of MMHT14
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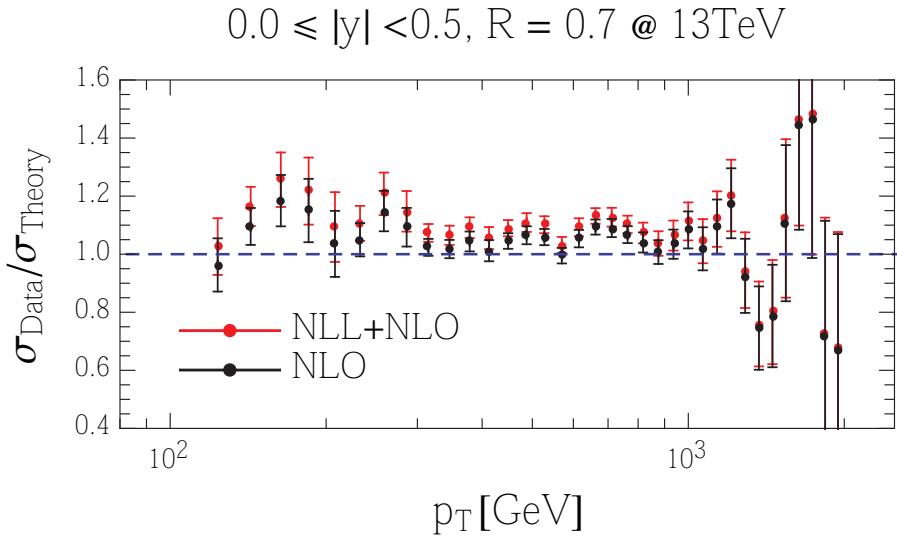
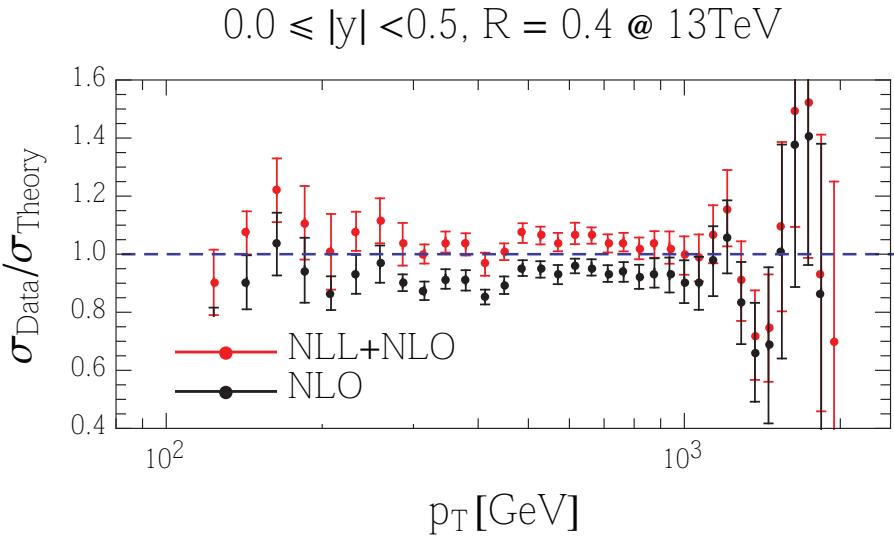


- Joint resummation agrees well with data; ratio with NLO predictions undershoots

# Data vs. theory (II)

LHC data at  $\sqrt{S} = 13 \text{ TeV}$

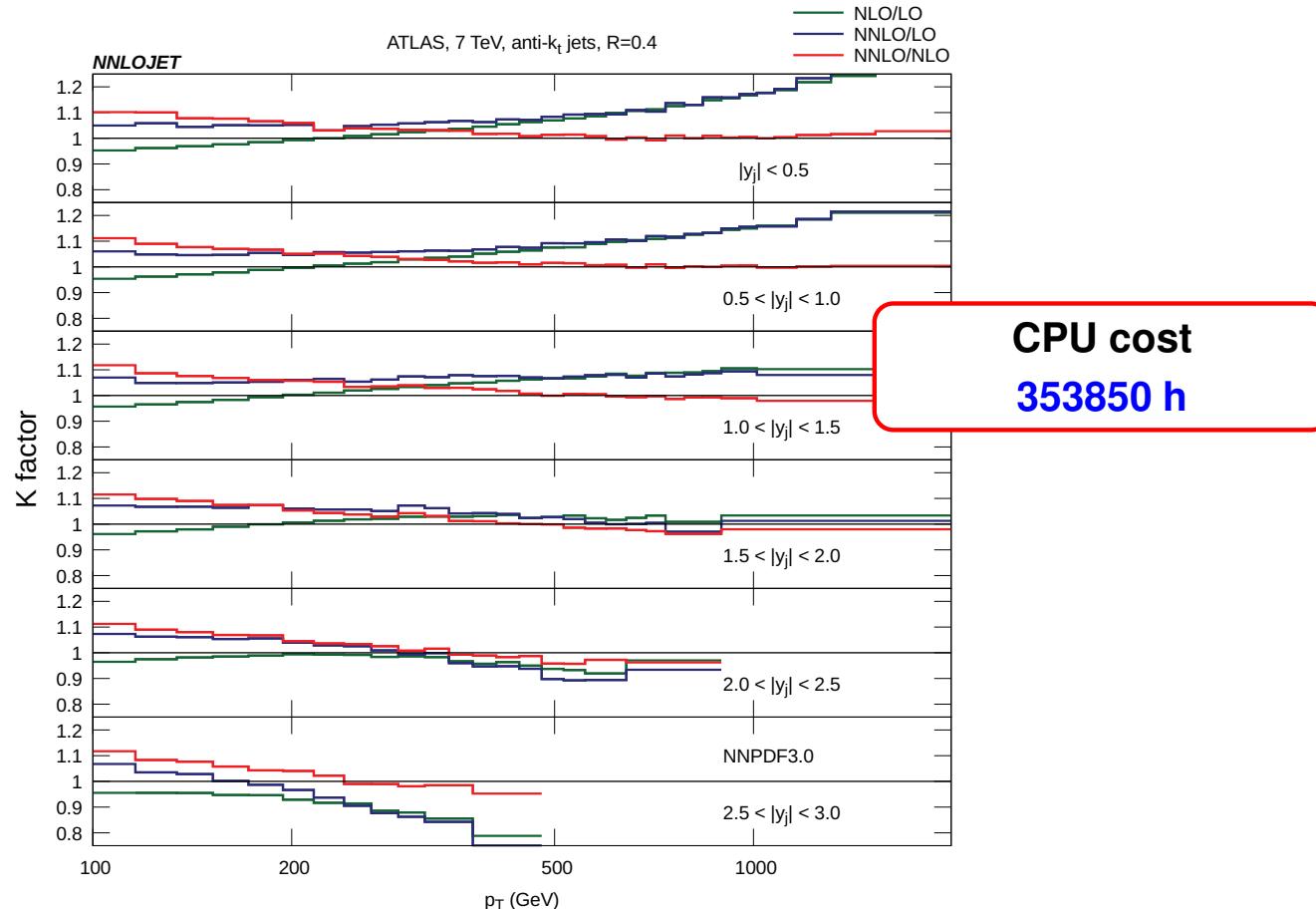
- Ratio  $\sigma_{\text{Data}}/\sigma_{\text{Theory}}$  with  $R = 0.4$  (left) and  $R = 0.7$  (right) to theoretical results at NLO (black dots) and at NLO + NLL (red dots) accuracy
  - NLO PDF set of [MMHT14](#)
  - data at  $\sqrt{S} = 13 \text{ TeV}$  by [CMS arXiv:1605.04436](#)



- Same trend as for data at  $\sqrt{S} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ , but still large experimental uncertainties

# Hadronic jets at NNLO

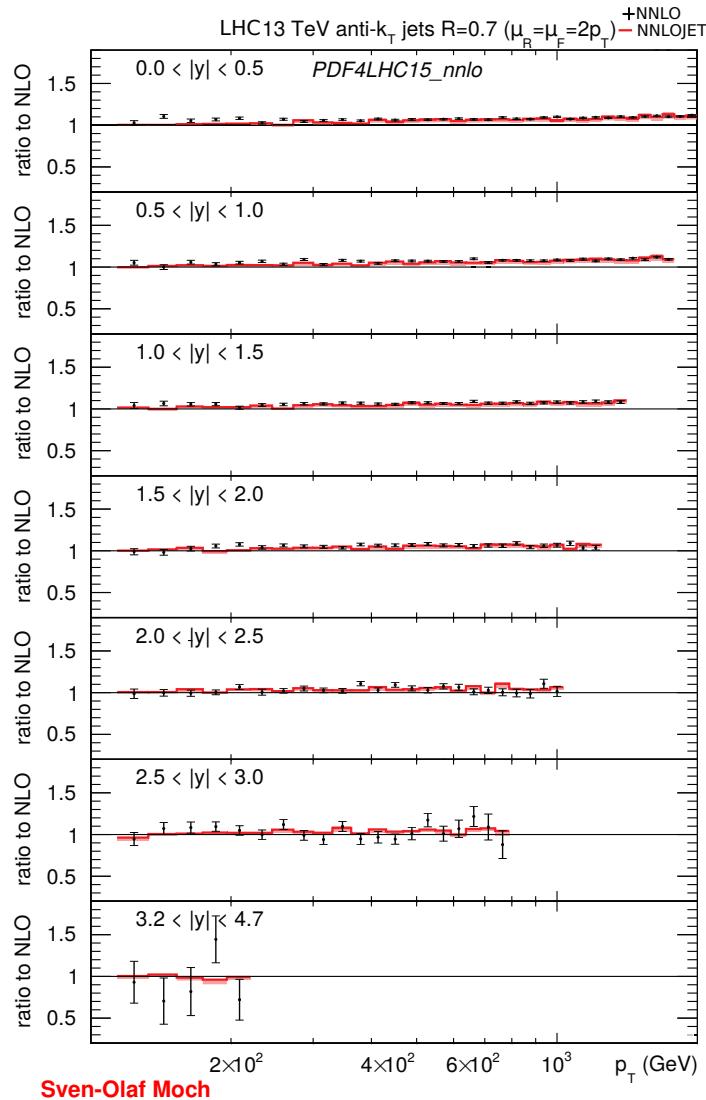
- Hadroproduction of jets at NNLO with all partonic channels
  - leading color contributions Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover, Pires '13; Currie, Glover, Pires '16
- Production run with fixed  $\sqrt{s}$ , fixed  $\sqrt{R}$ , fixed PDF, three scales



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  - full color contributions

Czakon, van Hameren, Mitov, Poncelet '19

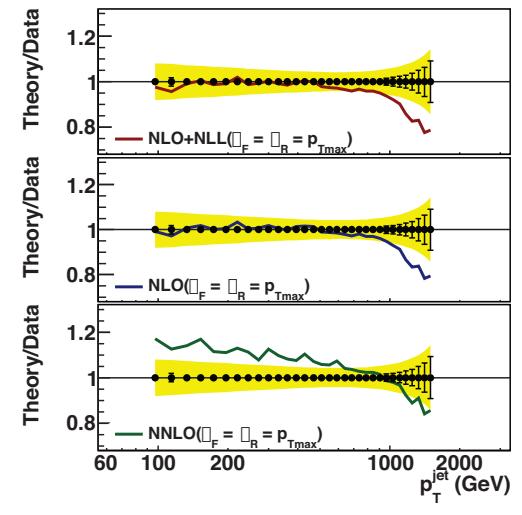
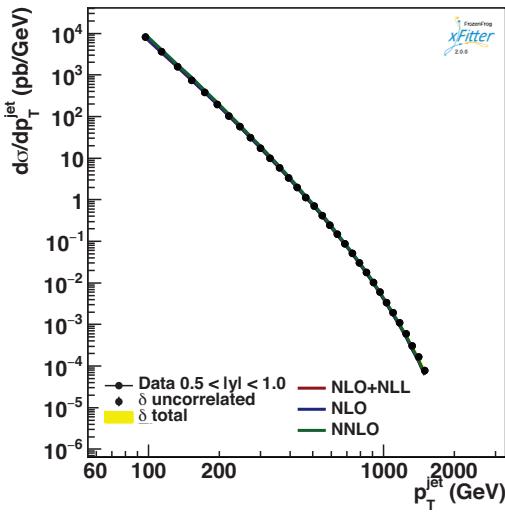
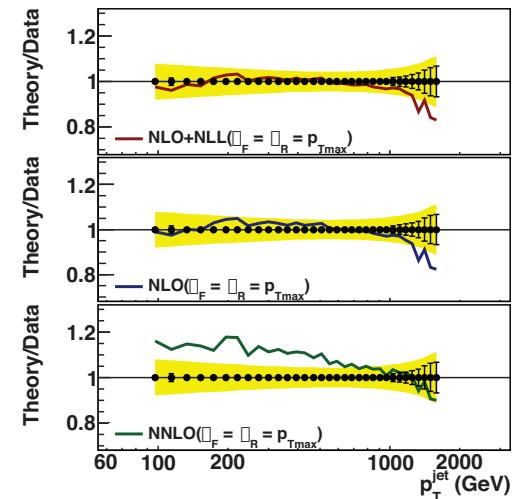
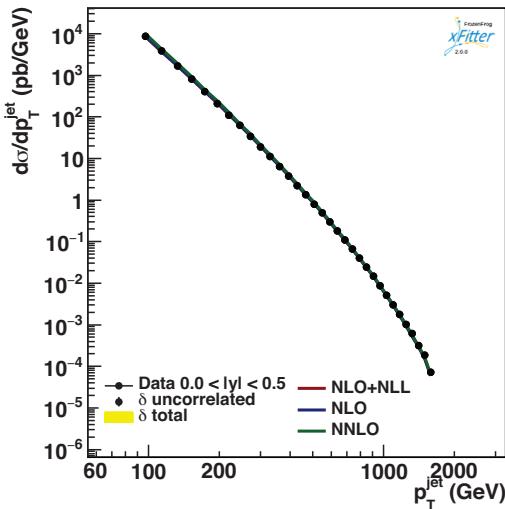


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LHC data at  $\sqrt{S} = 8 \text{ TeV}$

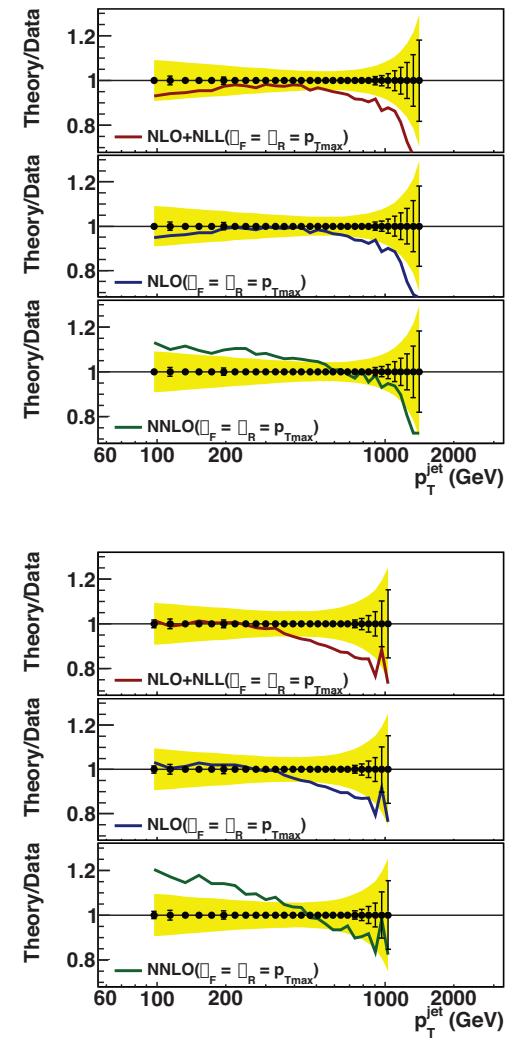
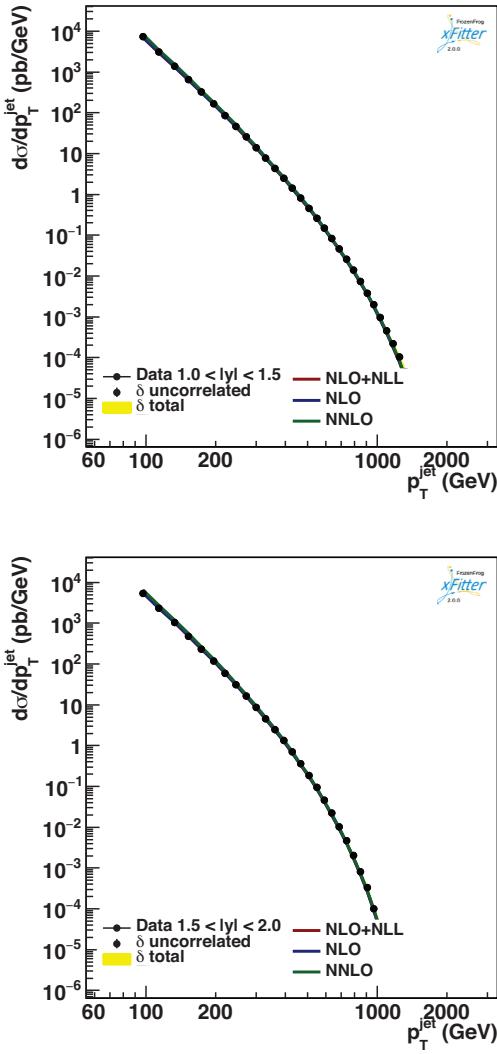
- Ratio  $\sigma_{\text{Theory}}/\sigma_{\text{Data}}$  for NLO+NLL, NLO, and NNLO  
S.M., Eren, Lipka, Liu, Ringer '18
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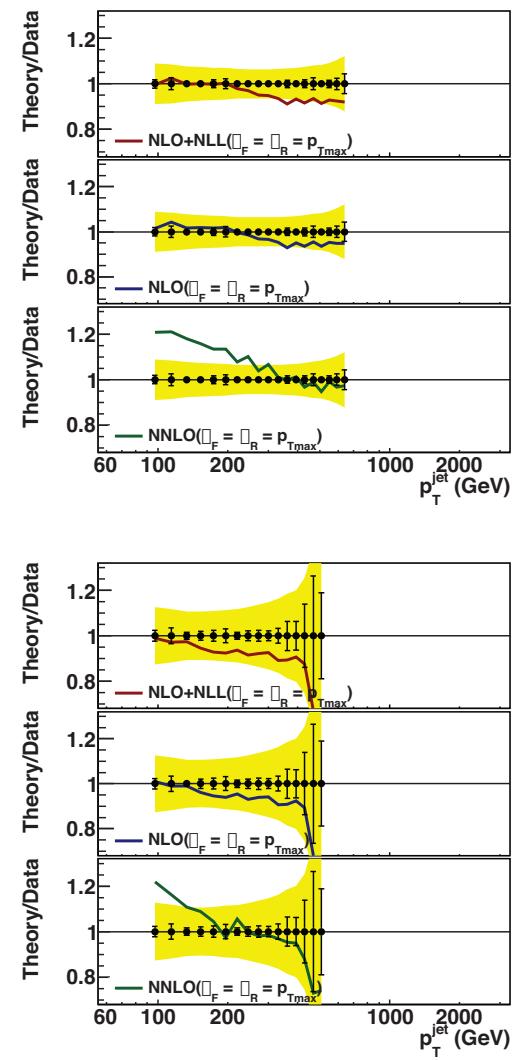
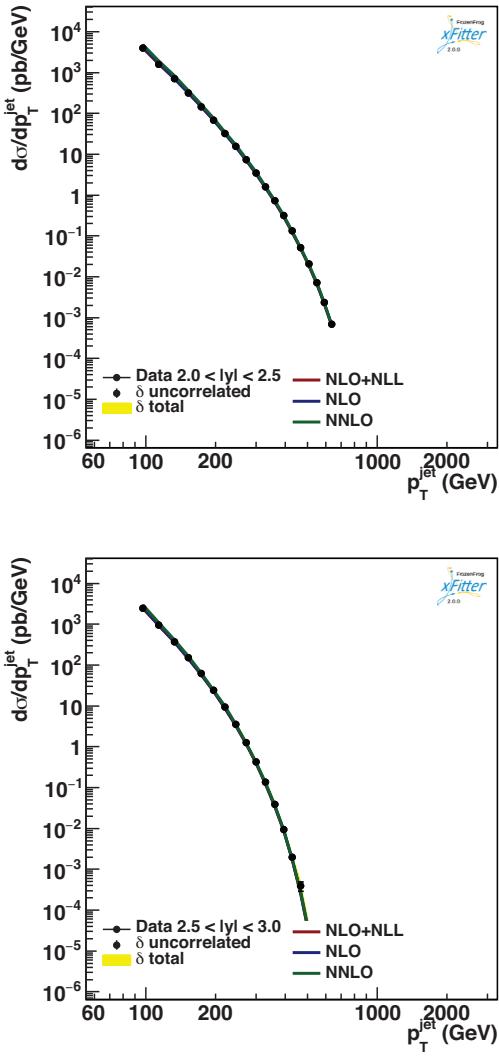
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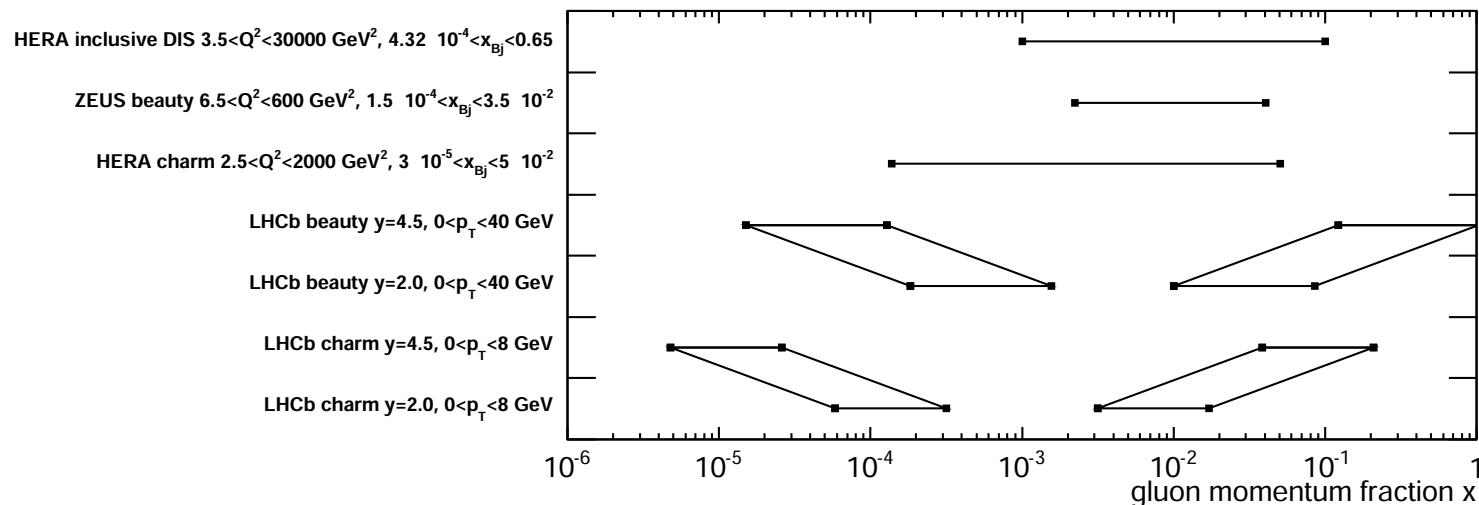
## *Heavy-quark pair production*

- $b$ - and  $c$ -quark production at the LHC

# Uses of $D$ - and $B$ -meson measurements

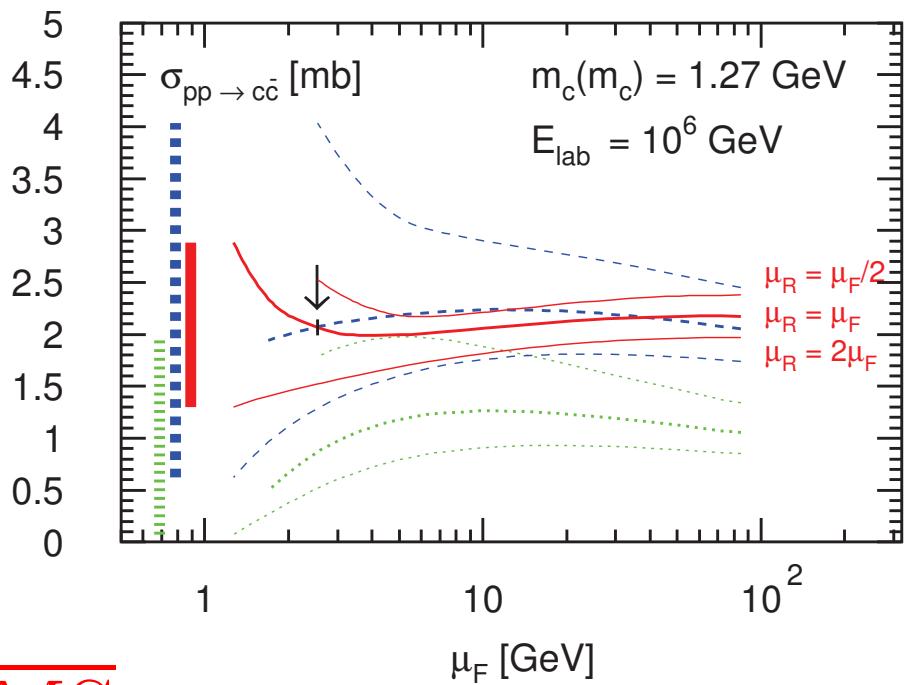
## Heavy-quark pair production

- Production process at LHC sensitive to values of
  - heavy-quark mass  $m_Q$
  - strong coupling  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$
  - gluon distribution  $g(x)$
- Correlation  $\sigma_{Q\bar{Q}} \sim \alpha_s^2 m_Q^2 g(x) \otimes g(x)$
- Effective parton kinematics with  $x_{1,2} = 2m_Q/\sqrt{S}e^{\pm y}$

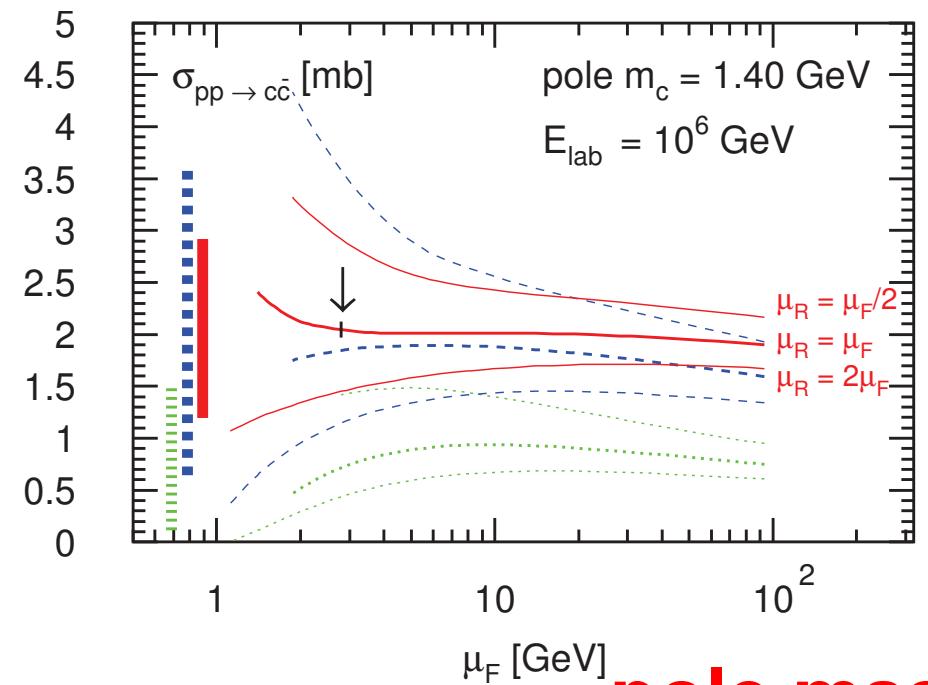


# *Charm quark hadro-production (I)*

- Theory predictions for charm hadro-production
- NNLO cross section with running charm mass  $m_c(m_c)$  significantly improved
  - good apparent convergence of perturbative expansion
  - small theoretical uncertainty from scale variation



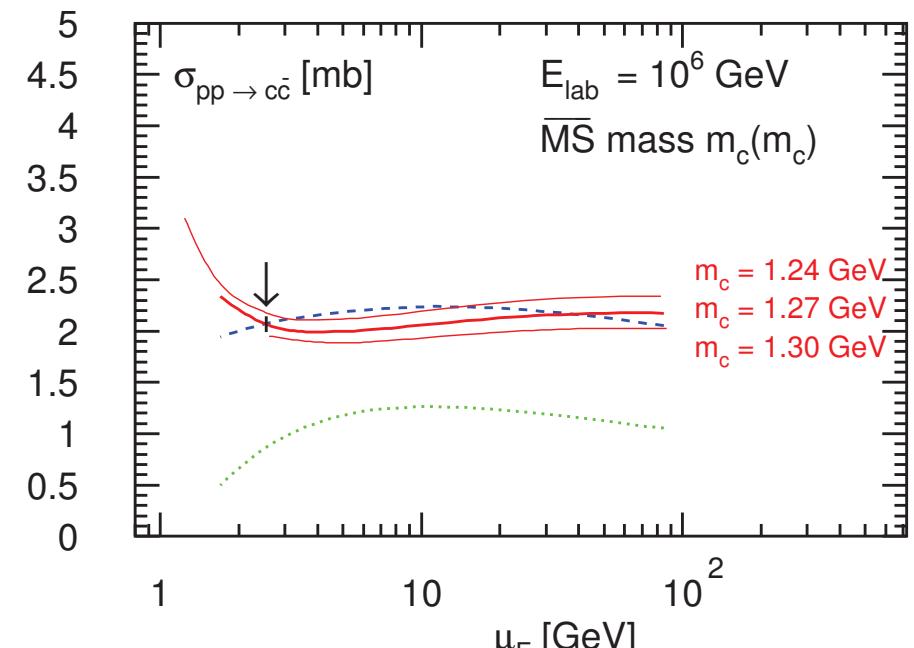
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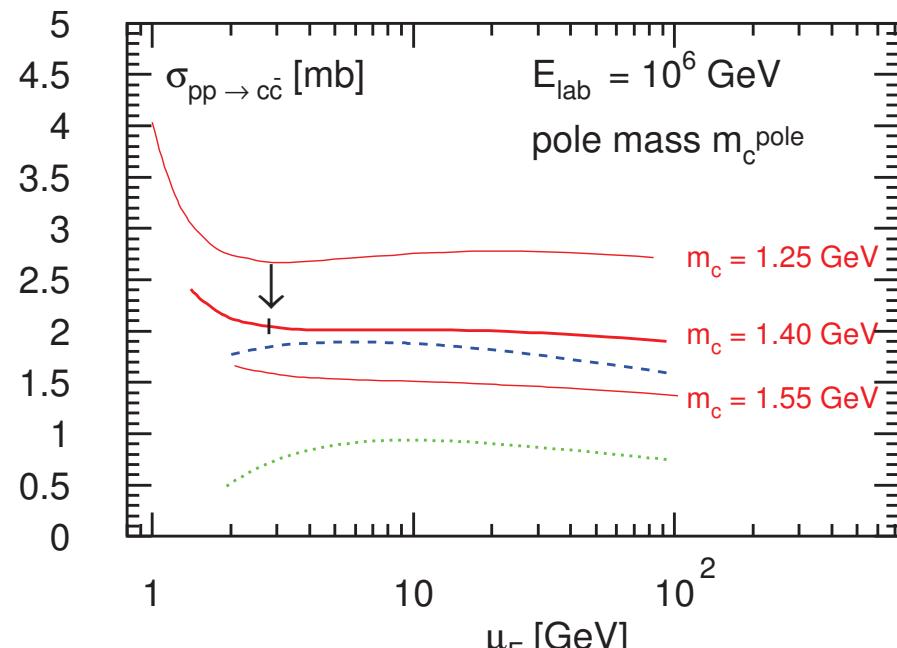
**pole mass**

# Charm quark hadro-production (II)

- Scale choice by comparison of NLO and NNLO cross sections
  - minimal sensitivity at renormalization and factorization scale  
 $\mu_R, \mu_F = 2m_c(m_c)$



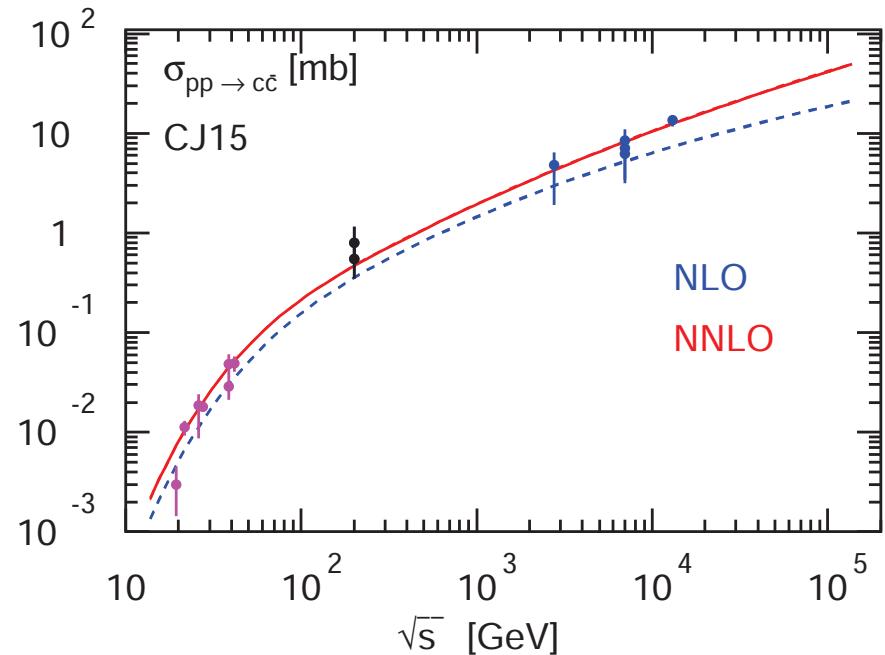
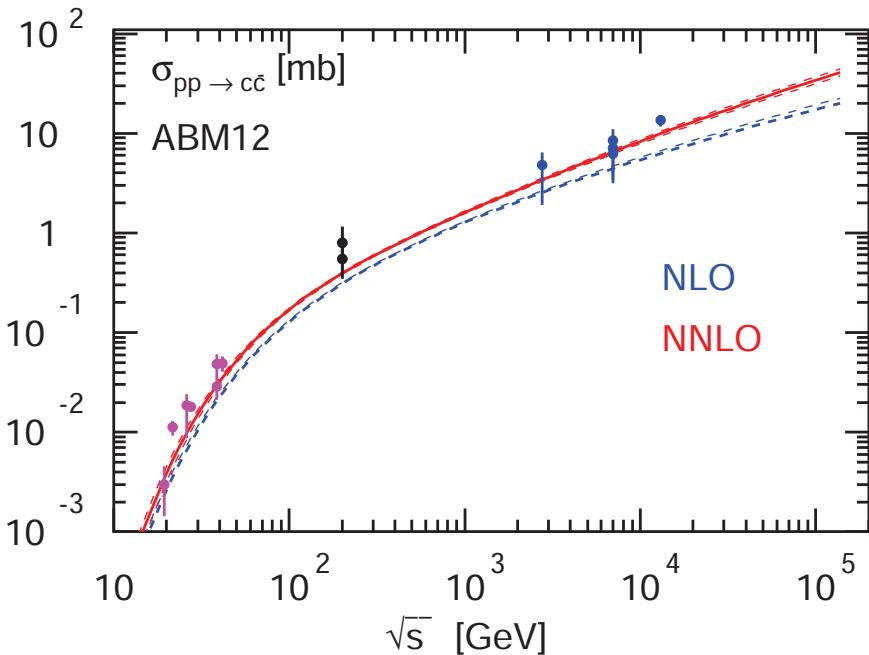
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# Parton distribution functions (I)

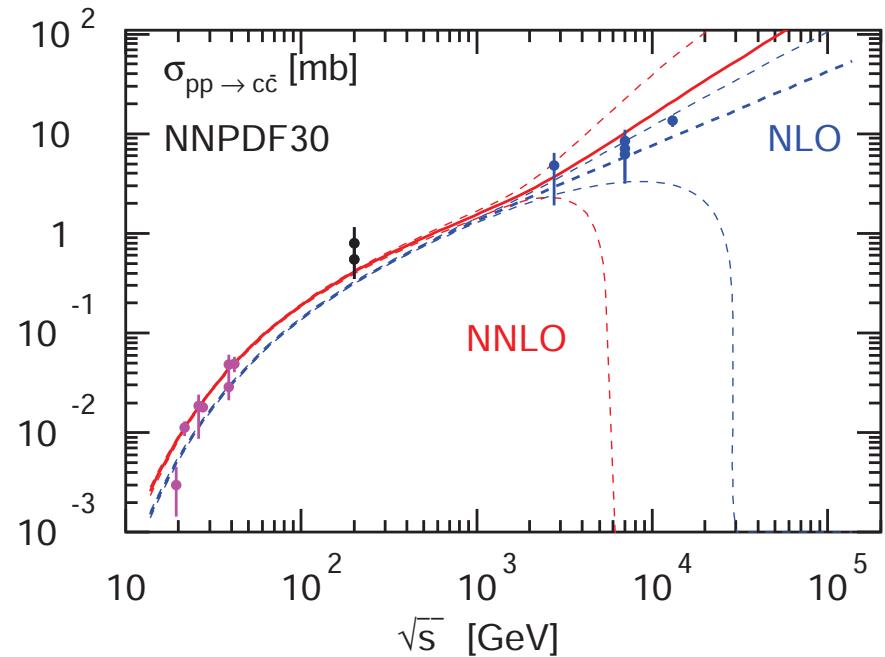
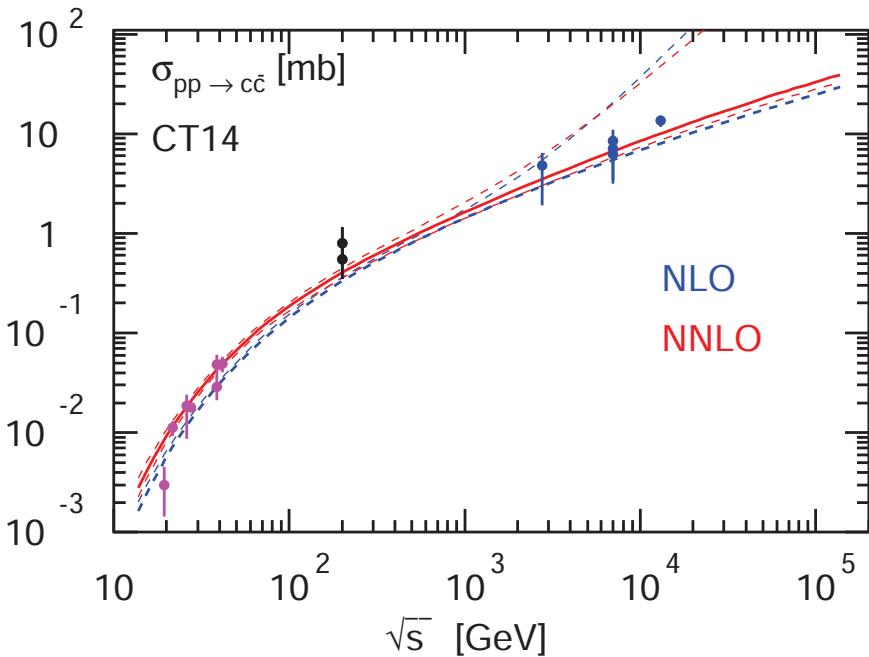
- Charm-quark hadro-production at high energies
  - quark-gluon parton luminosity dominates
- Gluon PDF at small- $x$ 
  - fits yield  $xg(x) \simeq x^a$ ; e.g.  $a \simeq -0.2$  in ABM12
  - kinematic coverage of data down to  $x \simeq 10^{-5}$  (DIS structure function  $F_L$ )
- Predictions compatible with LHC measurements (Alice, ATLAS, LHCb)



# Parton distribution functions (II)

## Issues

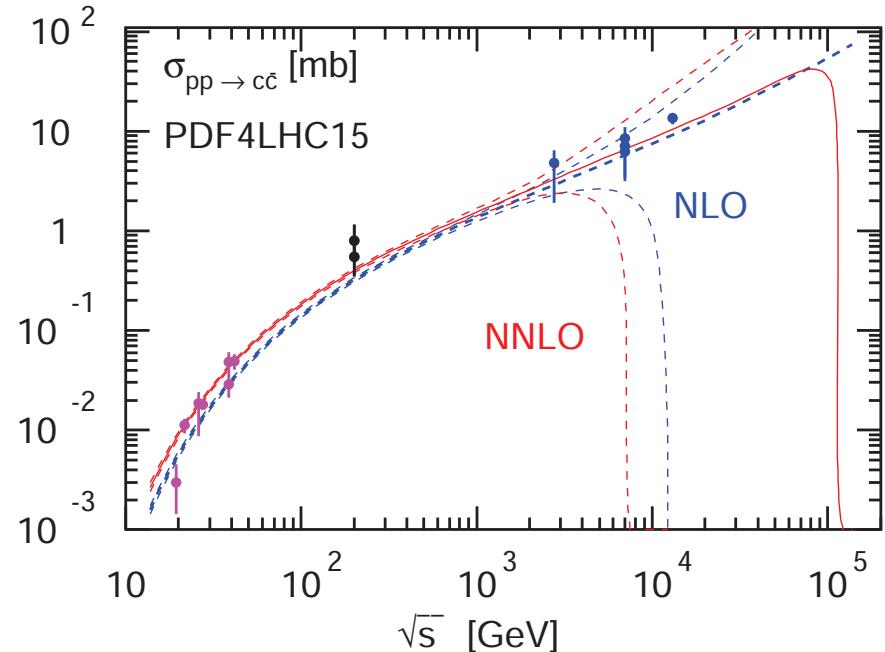
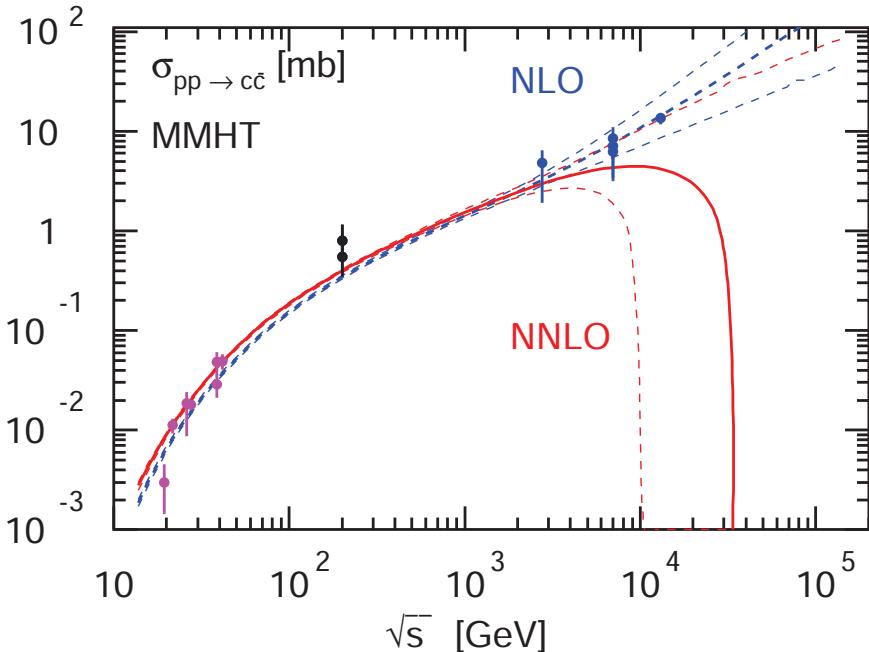
- Extrapolation of gluon PDF towards smaller  $x$ 
  - some PDFs feature large uncertainties for extrapolation to unmeasured regions —→ this invalidates predictive potential



# Parton distribution functions (III)

## More issues

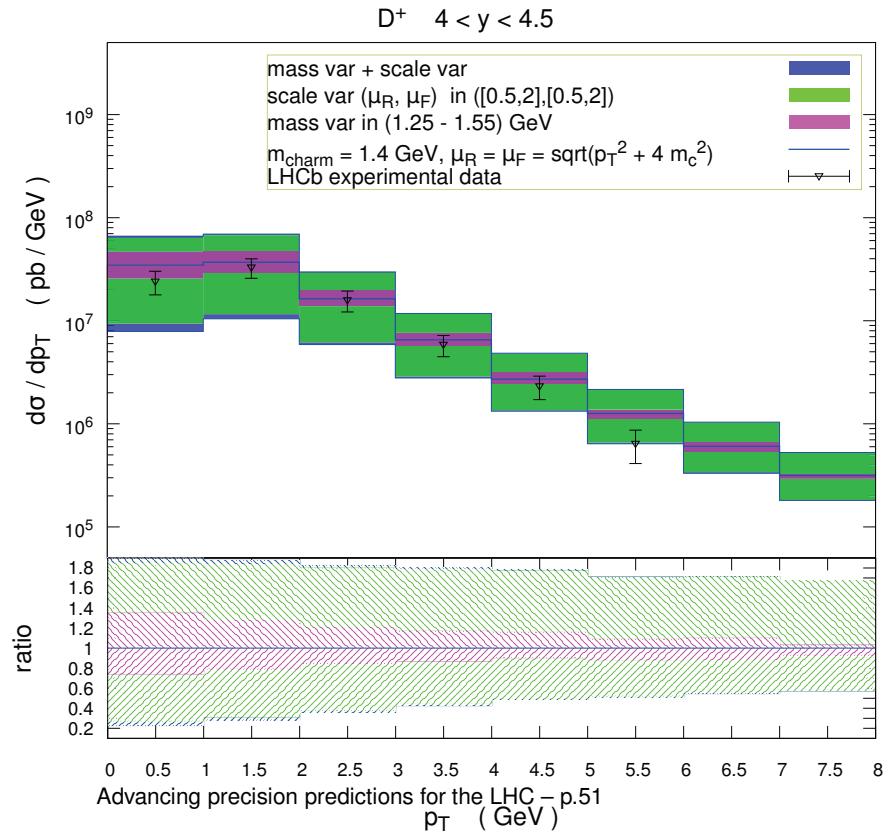
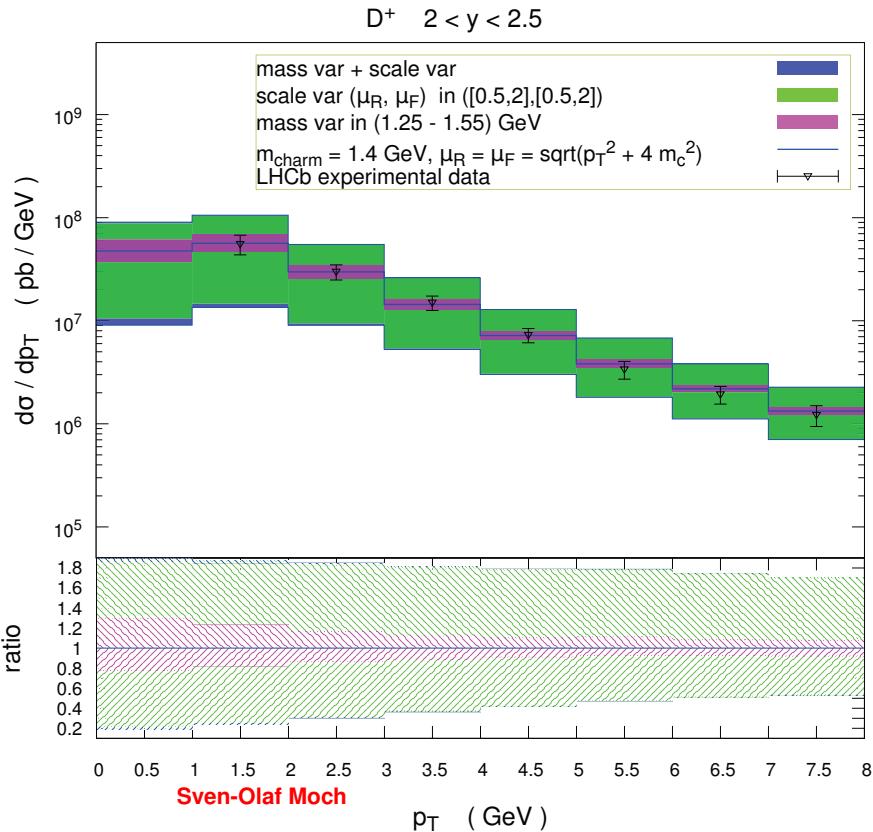
- Some PDFs predict negative gluon PDF at small- $x$  and low scales  
 $\mu_F \simeq 2m_c$ 
  - negative cross section is unphysical; consequence of modelling in variable flavor number schemes applied and description of structure function  $F_L$  at NNLO
  - large differences between gluon PDFs fitted at NLO and NNLO



# LHCb data on charmed mesons (I)

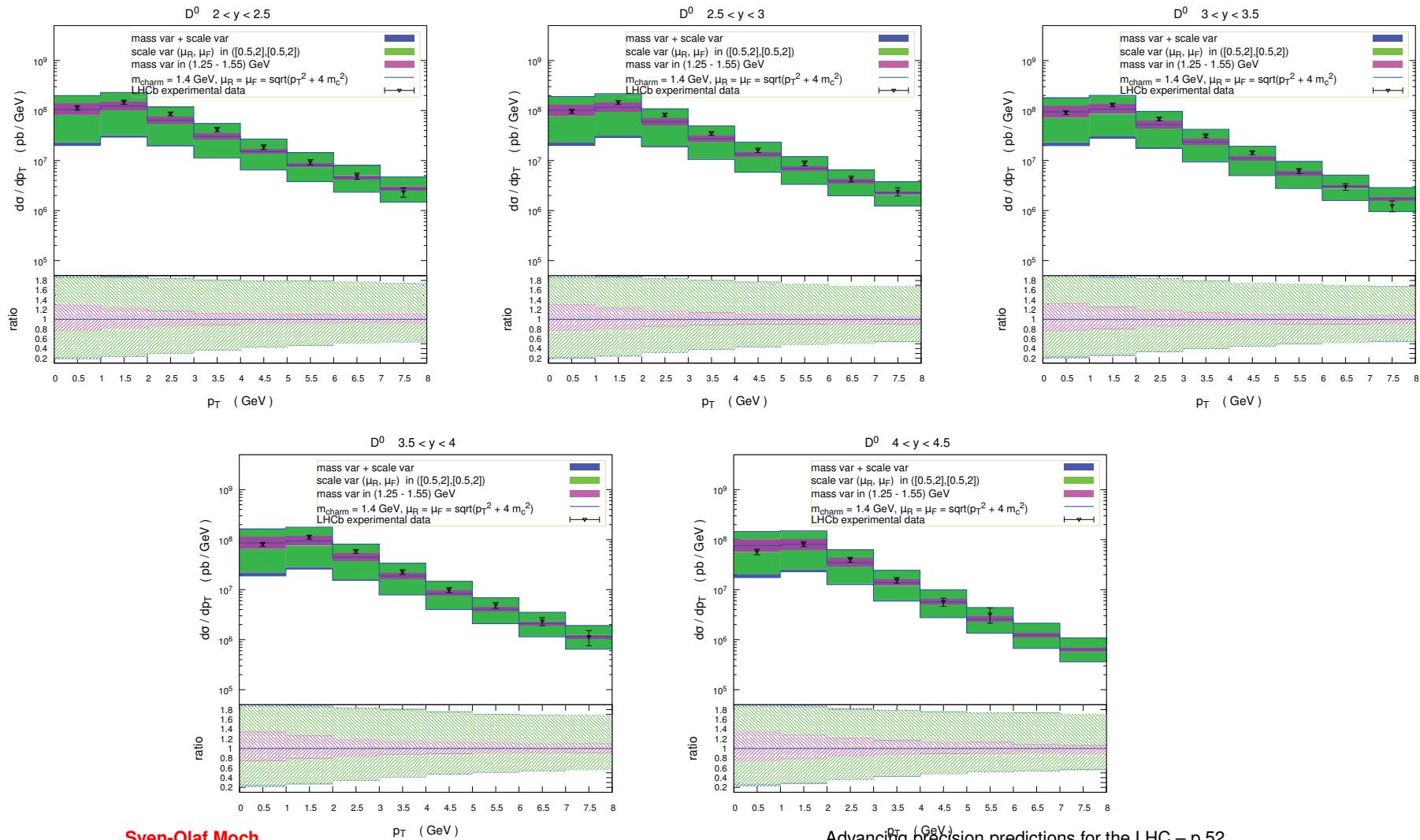
## Comparison of theory predictions with LHCb data

- Charmed meson production  $pp \rightarrow D^+ + X$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV
  - theory predictions to NLO with PowHeg + Pythia and ABM PDFs
  - data within theory uncertainties due to scale and mass variation both for central and for more peripheral collisions
  - theory improvement needed to match accuracy of experimental data



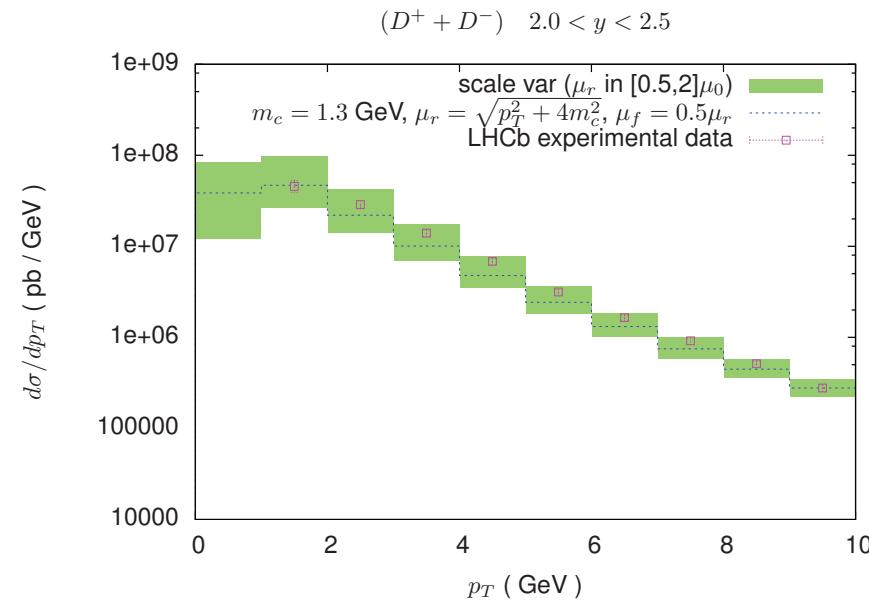
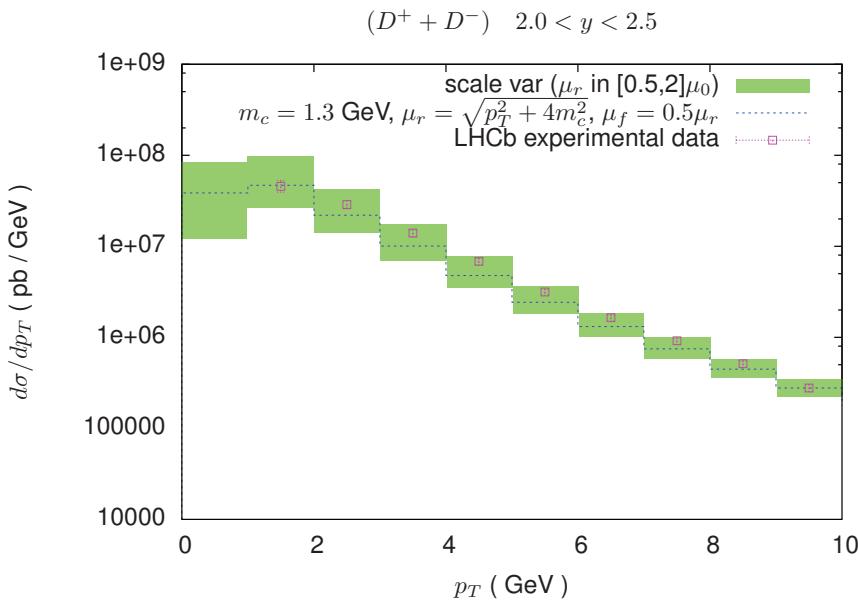
# LHCb data on charmed mesons (II)

- Charmed meson production  $pp \rightarrow D^0 + X$ 
  - data compatible with theory predictions within uncertainties in all measured rapidity bins



# Current status

- Theory predictions at NLO (fully differential) available since long
- Improvements with resummation of logarithms  $\ln(m_Q/p_T)$  at NLL  
Benzke, Garzelli, Kniehl, Kramer, Moch, Sigl '17
- NLO QCD predictions for  $(D^+ + D^-)$  transverse-momentum distributions at  $\sqrt{s}=5 \text{ TeV}$  and LHCb experimental data ([arXiv:1610.02230](https://arxiv.org/abs/1610.02230))
  - large uncertainties in NLO predictions due to scale variations



- Experimental uncertainties are challenging theory predictions
  - large amount of data on  $D$ - and  $B$ -production from LHC

# Summary

## *$W^\pm$ - and $Z$ -boson production at the LHC*

- Need for fast and precise public code for differential distribution at NNLO (per mil level accuracy)
- Chances for precision comparisons of local and non-local subtraction schemes ( $q_T$  slicing,  $N$  jettiness)

## *Hadro-production of jets*

- Improved predictions for single-inclusive jet production with joint resummation at NNLL
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## *Heavy-quark pair production*

- Single-differential distributions for  $b$ - and  $c$ -quark production at NNLO