Towards Accuracy at Small x: Experimental Overview

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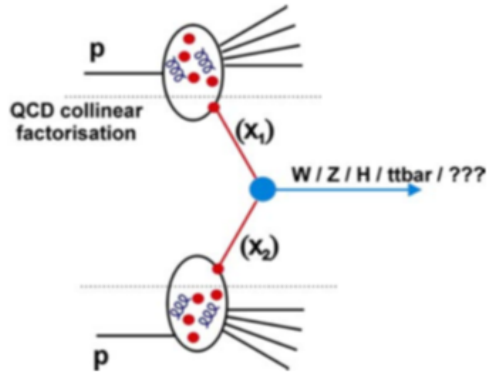

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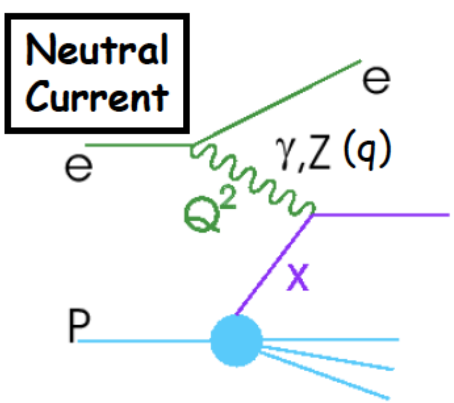
1) Where does HERA leave us?
2) Future DIS facilities
3) LHC observables v low x sea quarks and gluons
4) Diffractive observables
5) Other observables sensitive to novel low x effects

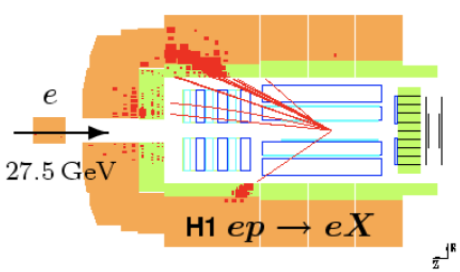
…birth of experimental low x physics

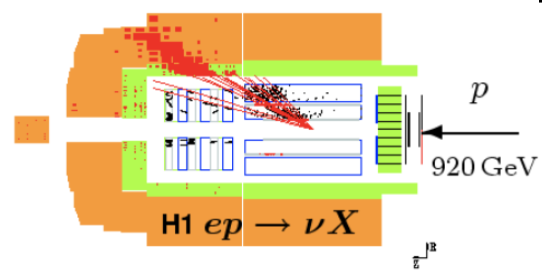
- The only ever collider of electron beams with proton beams:

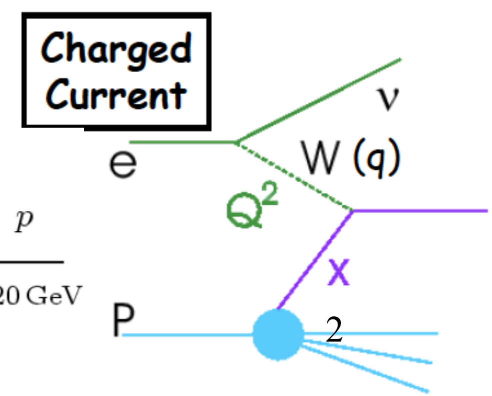
$\sqrt{s_{ep}} \sim 300$ GeV

- Still publishing papers, though main results are now out



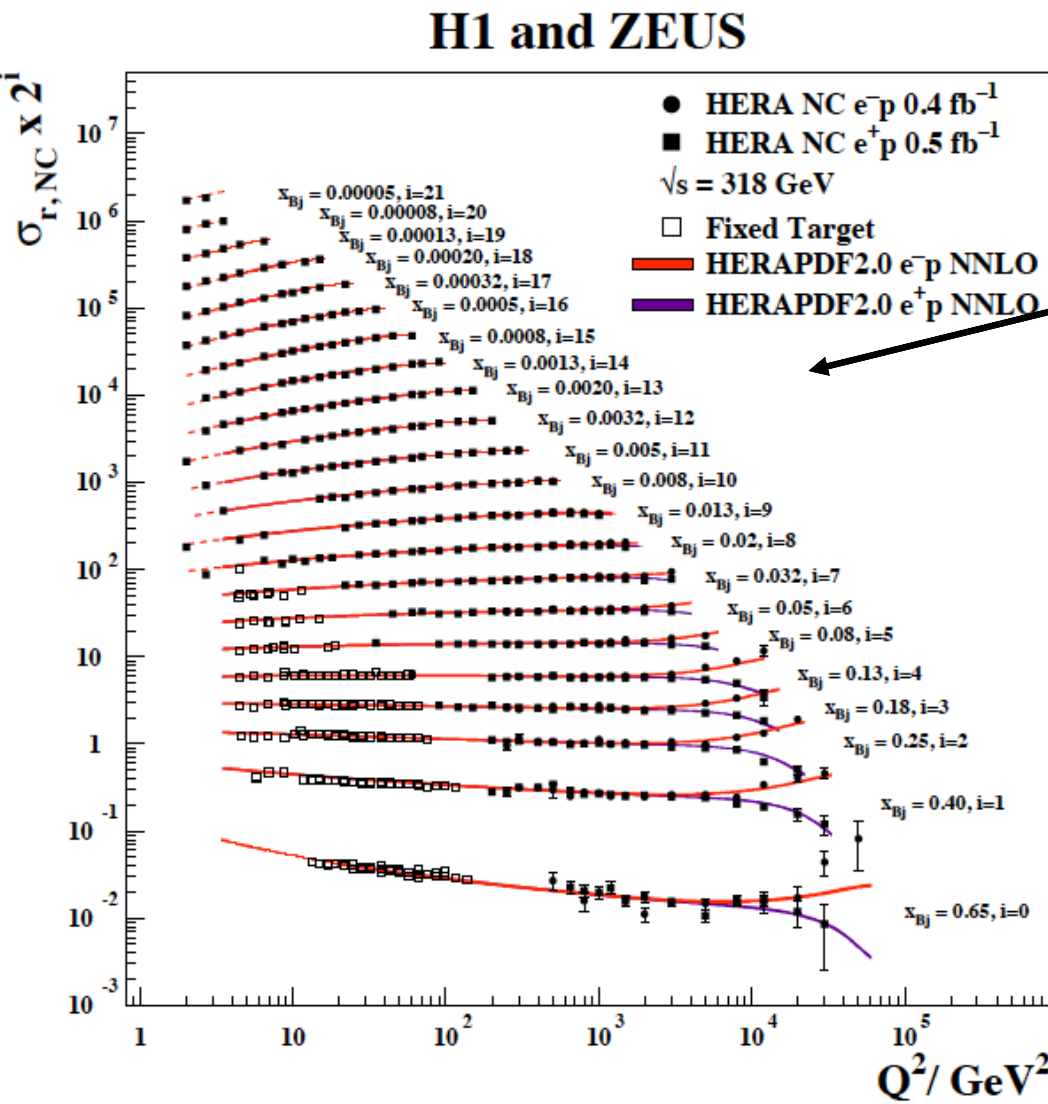




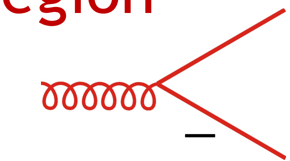


Low x Physics is Driven by the Gluon

… knowledge comes mainly from inclusive NC HERA data



- NC Q^2 dependence in perturbative region driven by …

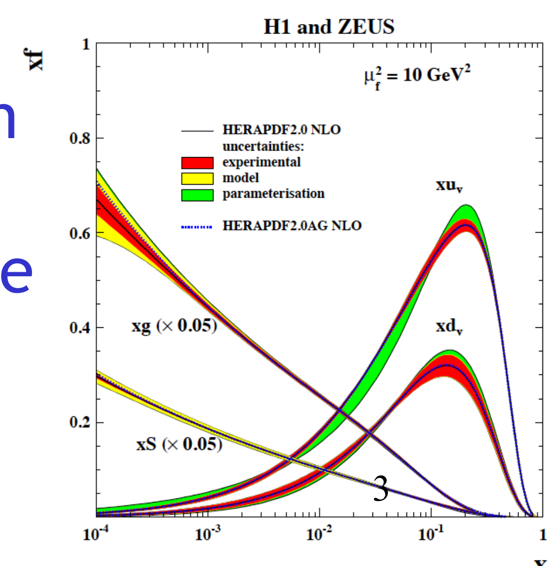


$$g \to q\bar{q}$$

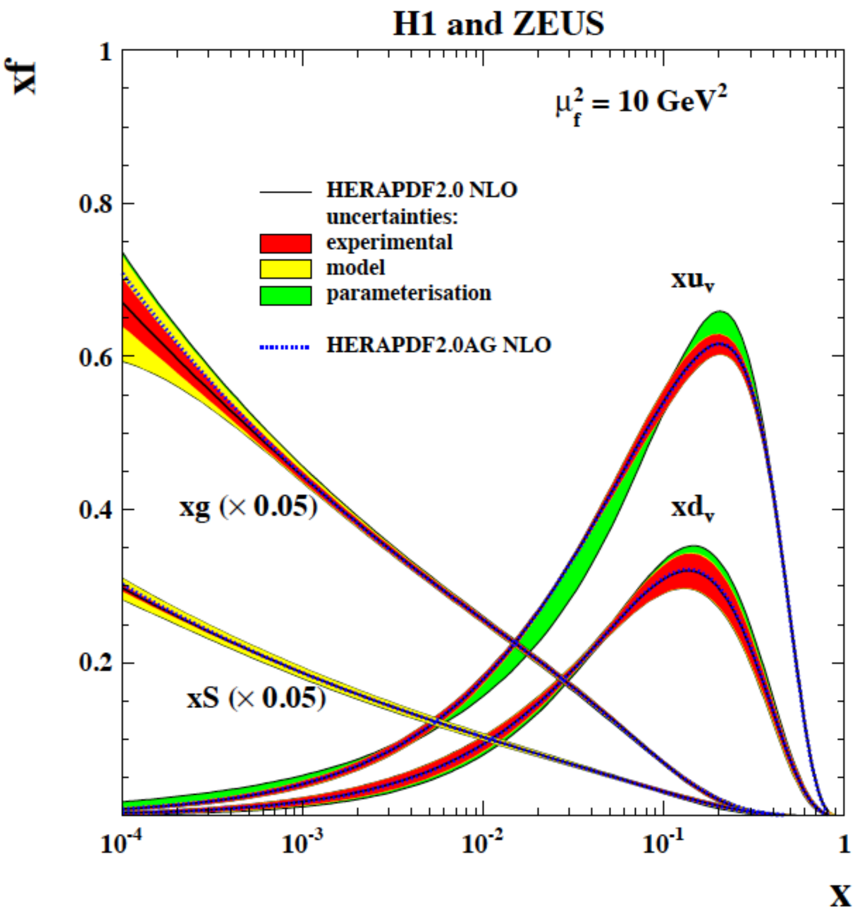
- e.g. Prytz approx:

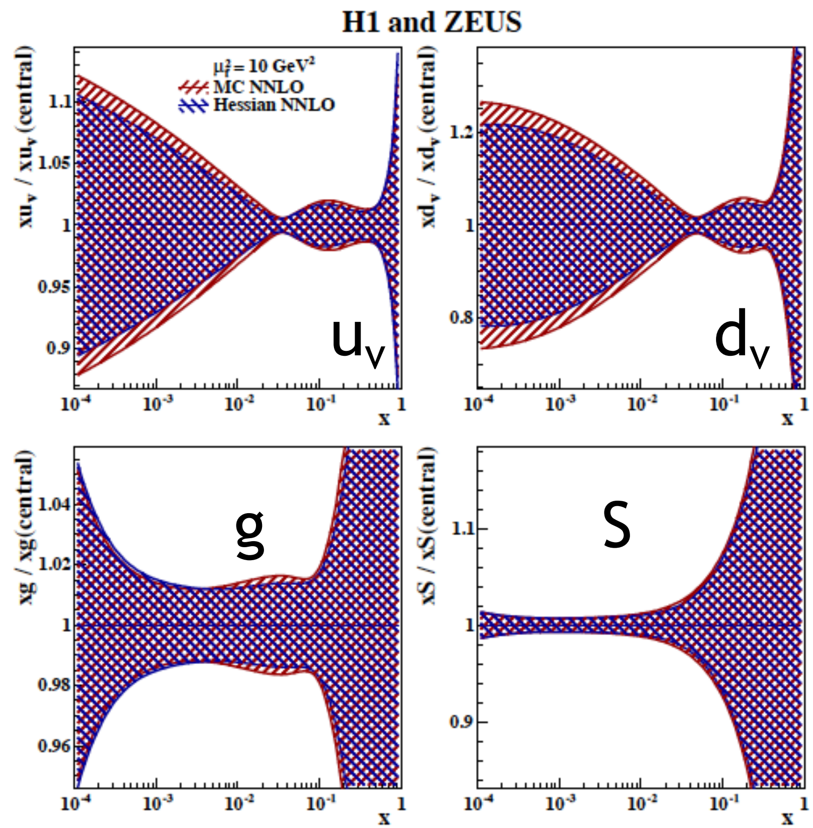
$$\frac{dF_2(x,Q^2)}{d\ln Q^2} \sim G(2x)$$

- needs lever-arm in Q^2 … reasonable precision only to $x \sim 10^{-3}$.



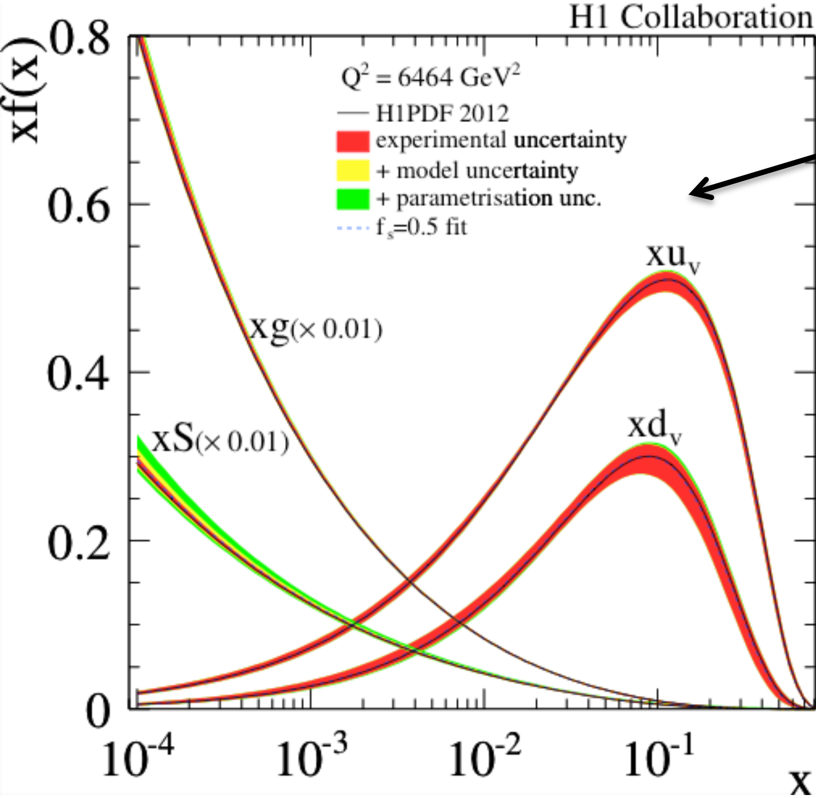
Final HERA Picture of Proton (HERAPDF2.0)





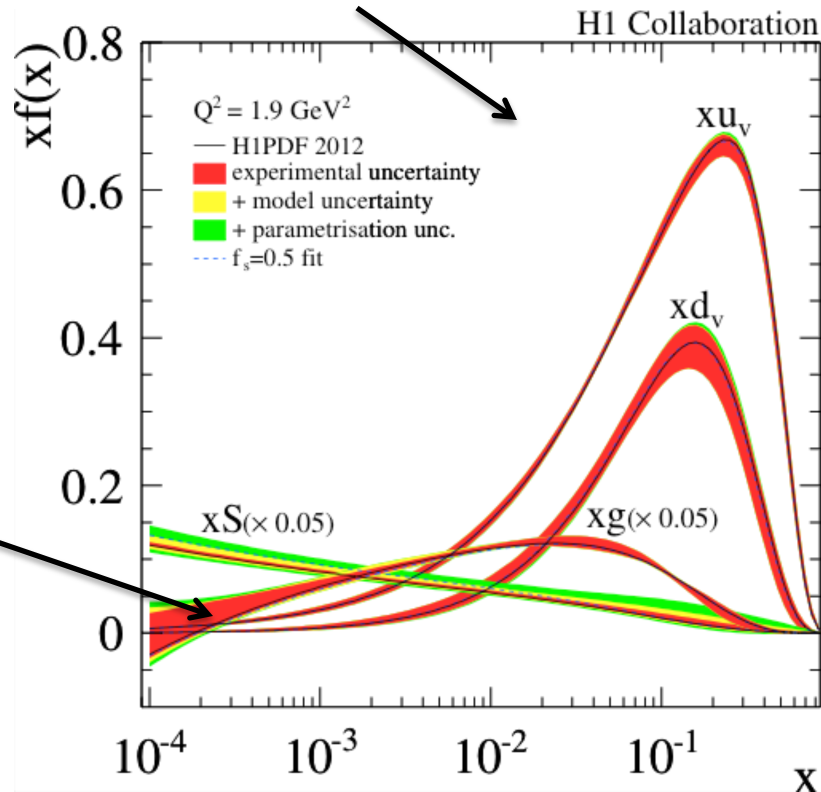
- ~2% precision on gluon for $10^{-3} < x < 10^{-1}$
- Gluon uncertainty explodes between $x=10^{-3}$ and $x=10^{-4}$
- Gluon itself is rising in a seemingly non-sustainable way …
- Note the 'Standard' presentation is at Q^2 = 10 GeV^2

Evolution to Other Scales



- Electroweak scale ~ M_Z^2 (LHC precision physics) … gluon rise gets sharper, error band shrinks

- Parameter scale ~ 1.9 GeV^2 (where lowest x data exist)



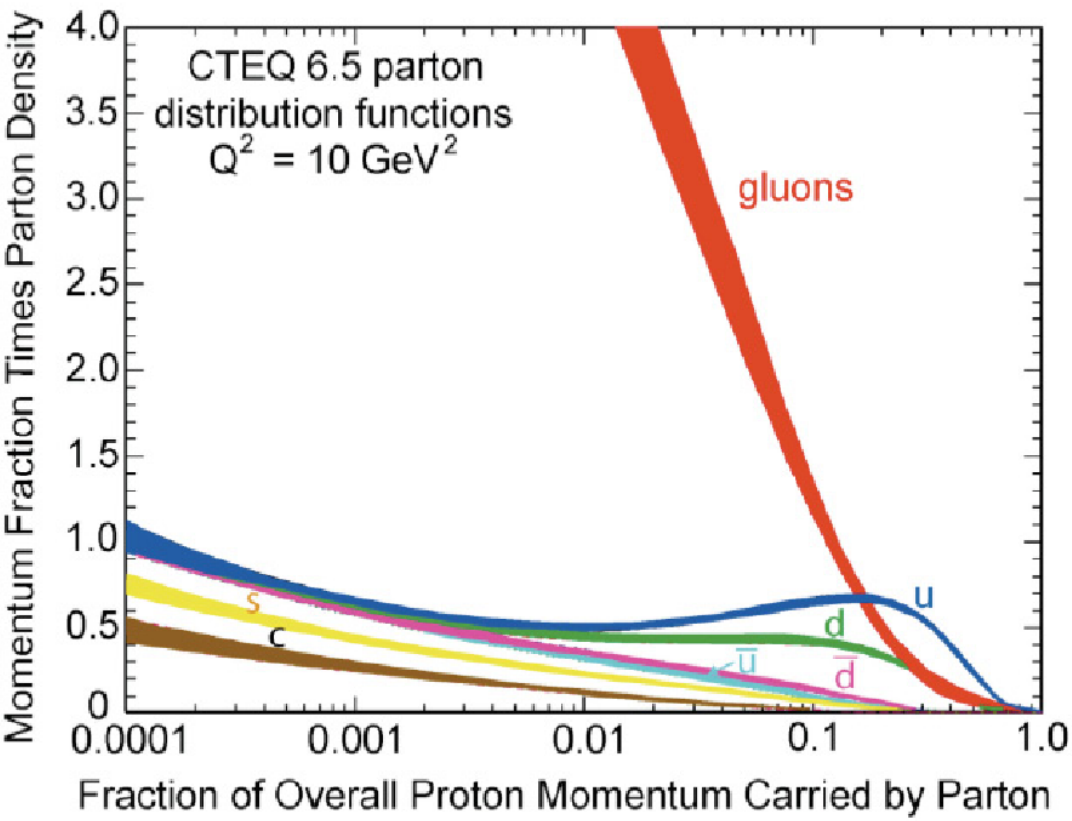
- Gluon in DGLAP approach is close to zero in region where e.g. saturation models are applied

The "Pathological" Gluon: Implications

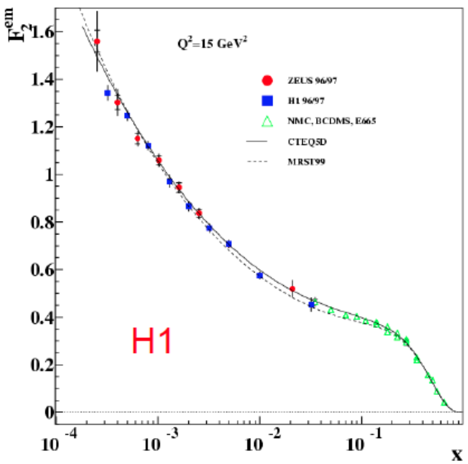
- **Fast growth of low x gluon appears unsustainable → new low x gluon-driven dynamics?**
  - Recombine (gg→g), non-linear / saturation / (density effects)?
  - Log(1/x) resummation (energy effects)?
  - Just DGLAP (+ Higher twists)?

→ The implications of the high density, small coupling, regime of parton dynamics are not well understood

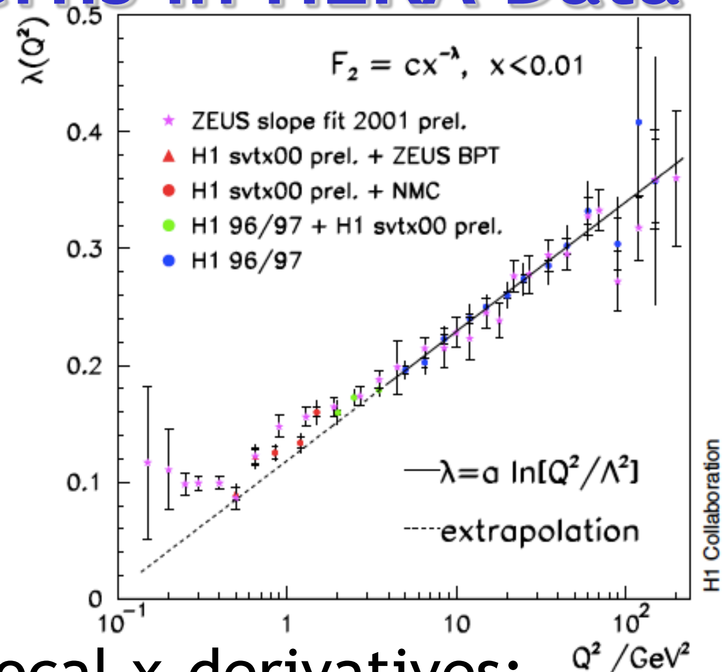
→ Is there any evidence for novel low x effects in HERA data?...

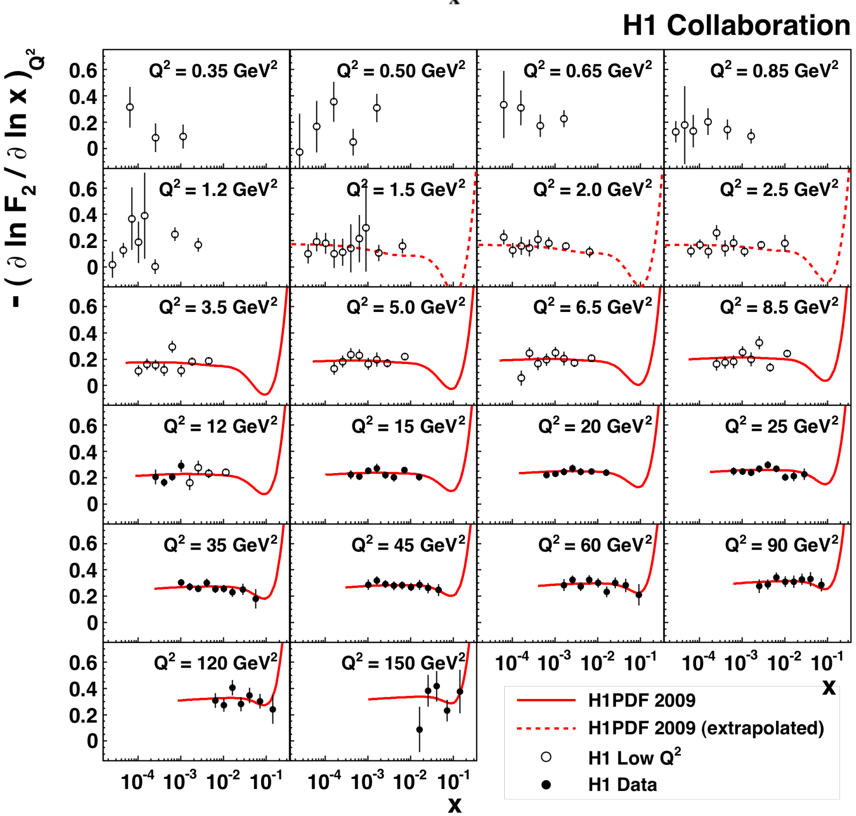


Looking for Changes in patterns in HERA Data



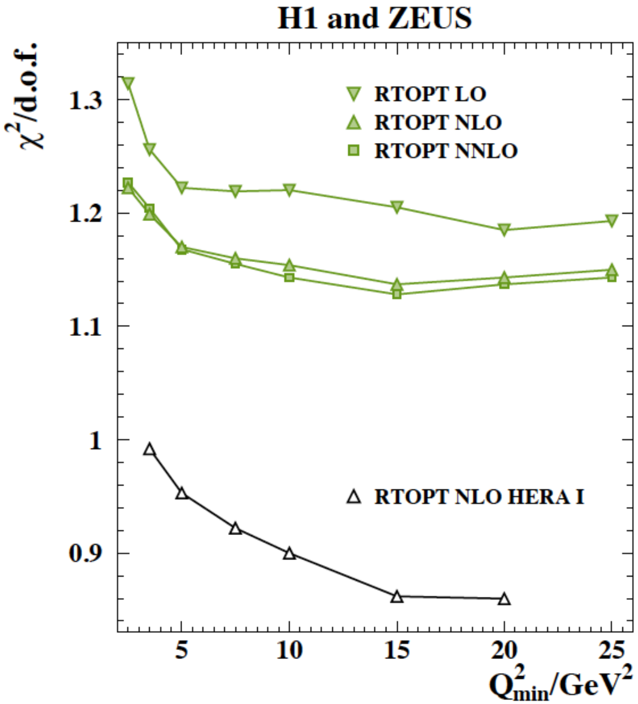
HERA inclusive data well described by $F_2 = Ax^{-\lambda(Q2)}$ with fixed A~0.2 for all Q^2 >~ 1 GeV^2





From 2D local x-derivatives:
no evidence here for deviation from monatonic rise of structure functions towards low x in perturbative region.

… no smoking guns are directly available from the HERA data
→ effects are subtle

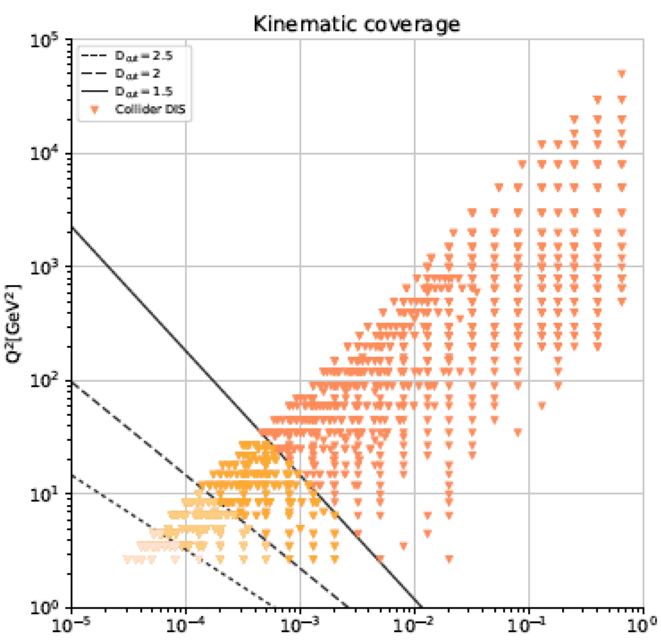


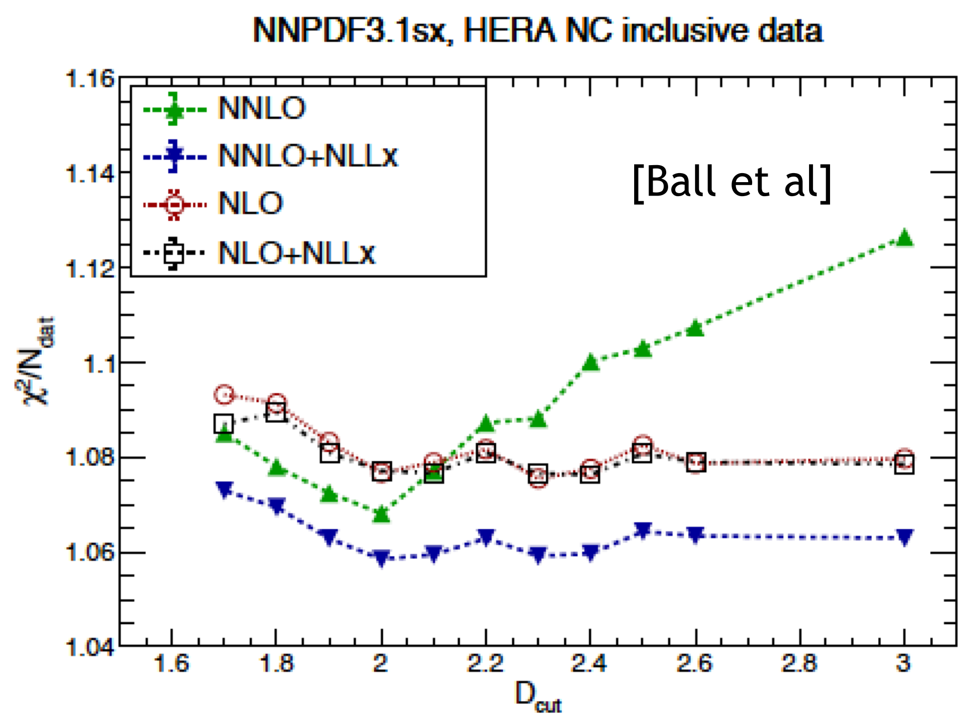
New Low x effects at HERA?

Final HERA-2 Combined PDF Paper:

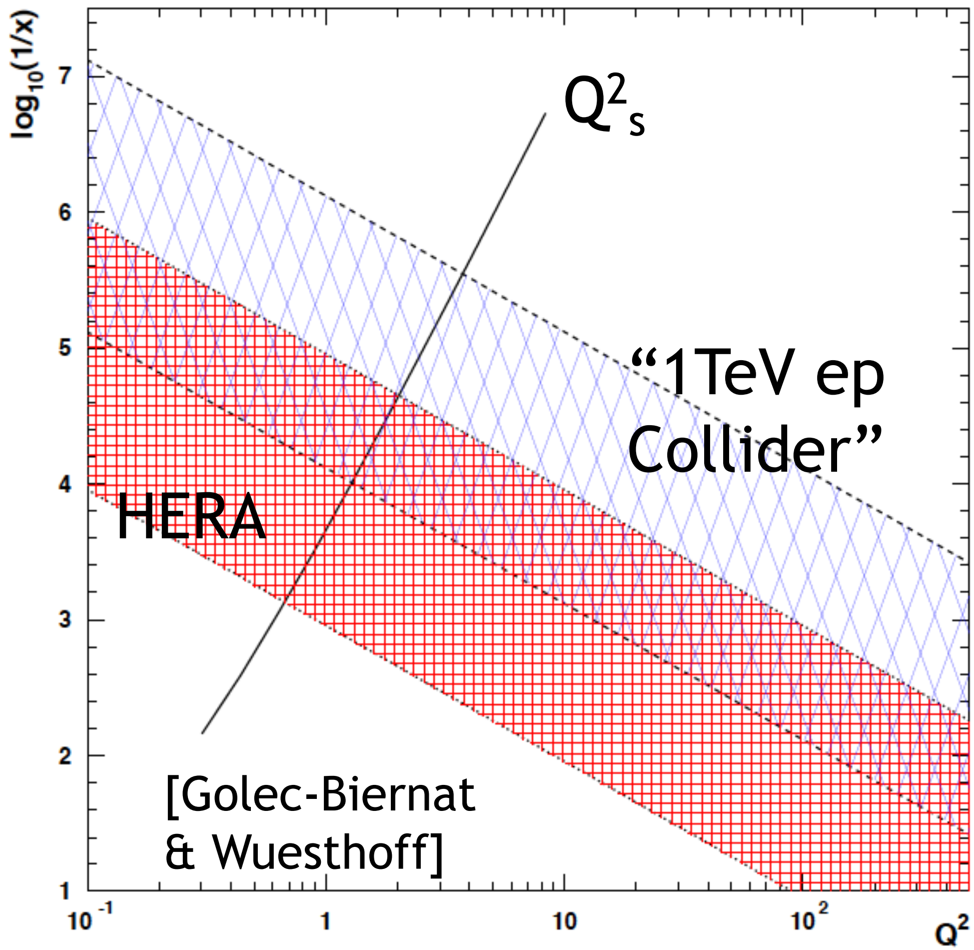
"some tension in fit between low & medium Q^2 data… not attributable to particular x region"
(though there is a kinematic correlation)

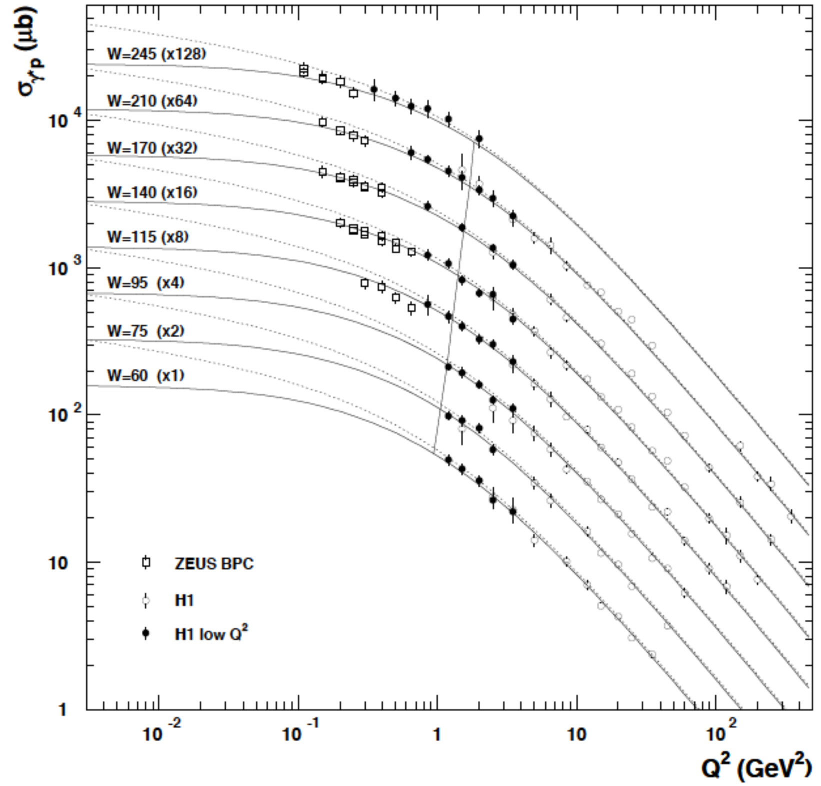
Including ln(1/x) resummation in fits improves χ^2 and describes difficult low x, low Q2 corner of kinematic plane





Q^2 < 1 GeV^2 data → Best description with Dipole Model, including saturation





All data (Q^2 >~ 0.05 GeV^2) are well fitted in (dipole) models that include saturation effects

- x dependent "saturation scale", $Q^2_s(x)$

$$\frac{xG_A(x, Q_s^2)}{\pi R_A^2 Q_s^2} \sim 1 \Longrightarrow Q_s^2 \propto A^{1/3} x^{\sim -0.3}$$

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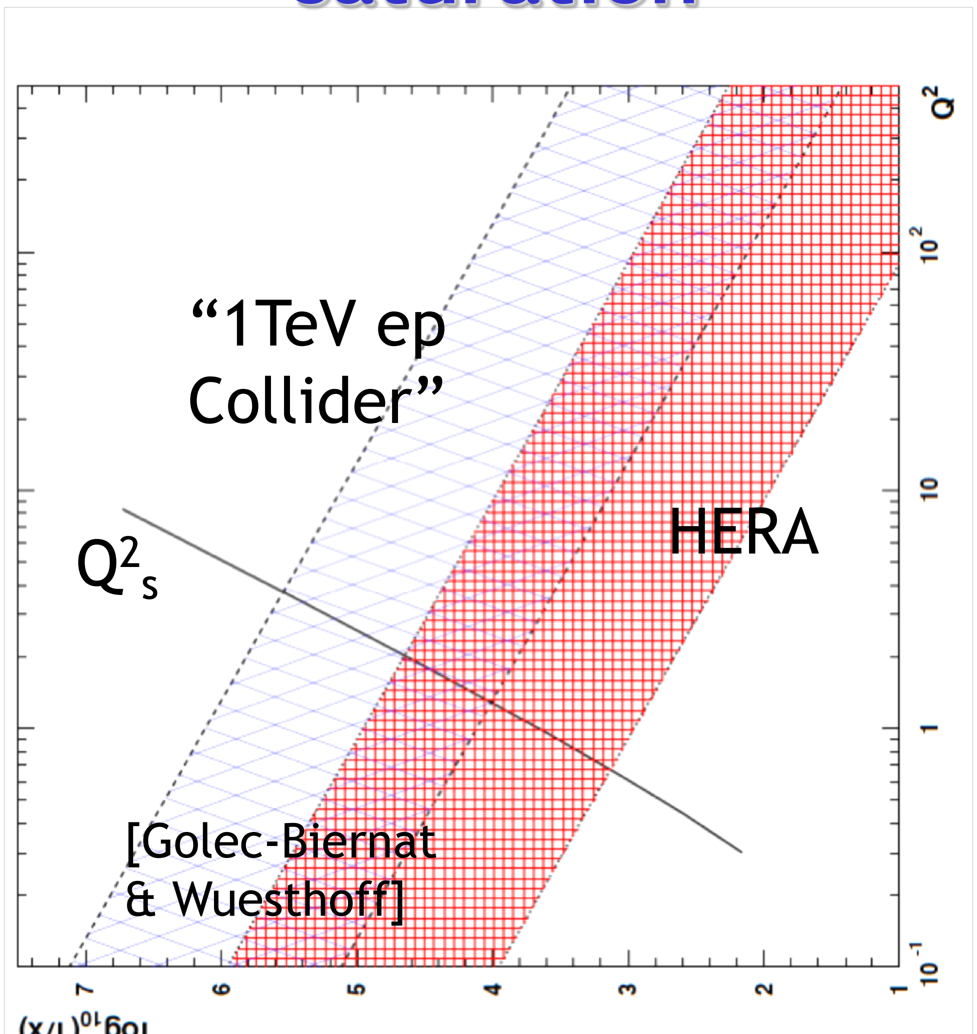
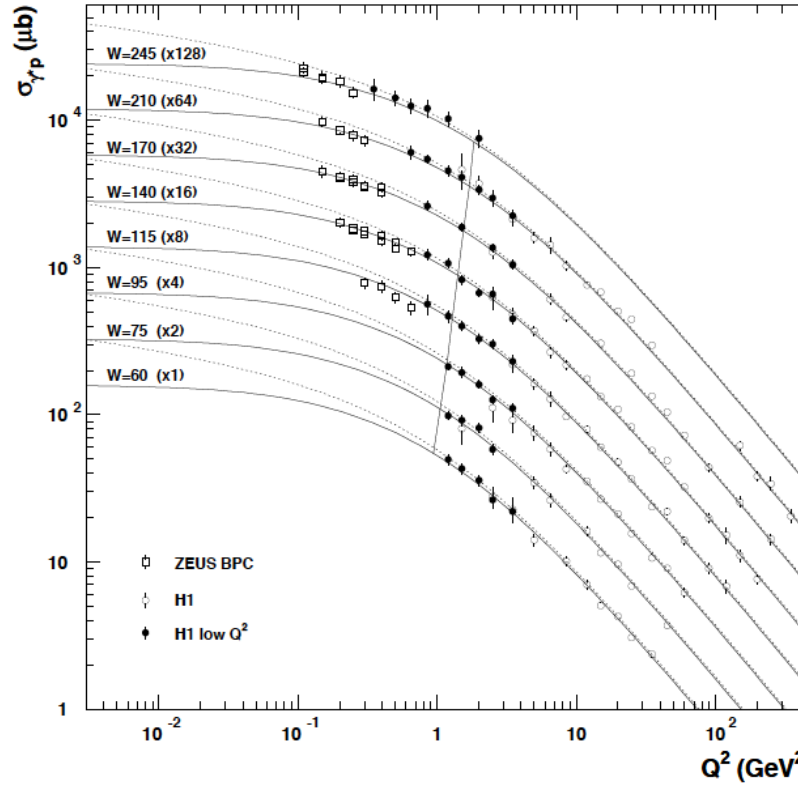




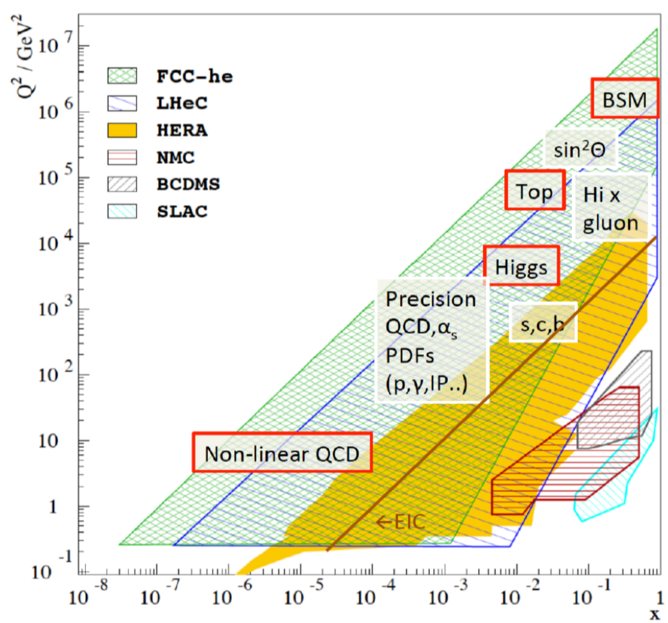
… at HERA, Q^2_s doesn't get above about 0.5 GeV^2

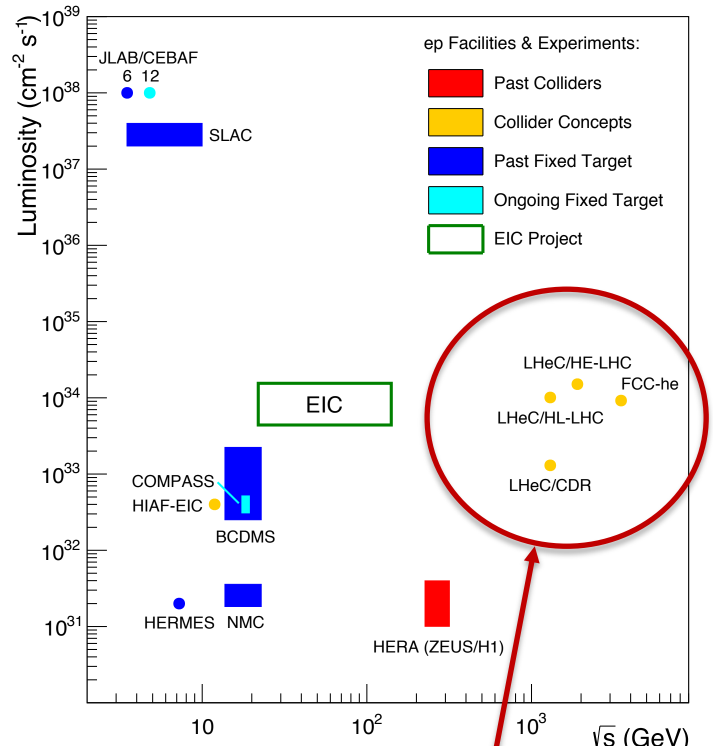
→Saturation may have been observed at HERA … but not in a region where quarks and gluons are reliable degrees of freedom

HERA's Limitations

- Limited lumi → restricts searches and precision at high x, Q^2
- Lack of Q^2 lever-arm at low x → restricts low x gluon precision
- No deuterons → limited quark flavour decomposition
- No nuclei → insensitive to nuclear effects
- No polarised targets (except HERMES) → limited access to spin, transverse structure

ALL addressed by complementary proposed future DIS projects





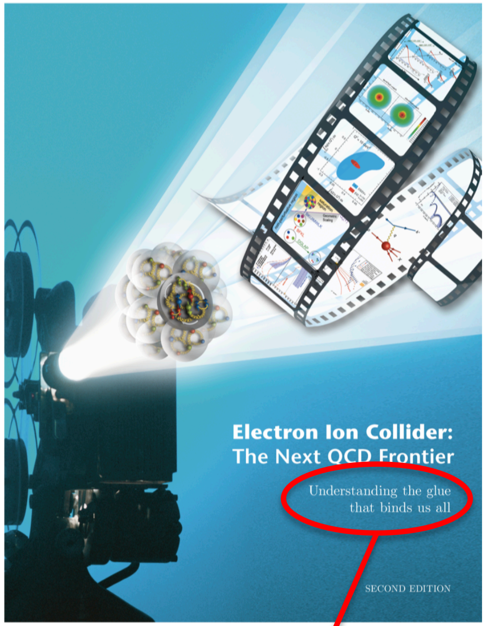
High energy, high luminosity via new e beam + LHC or FCC

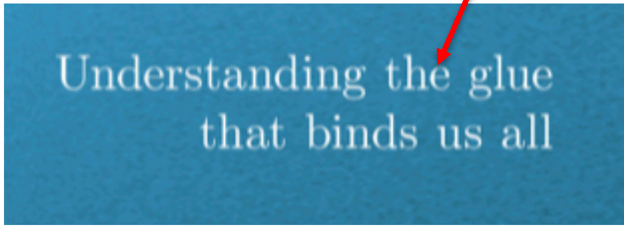
Electron Ion Collider

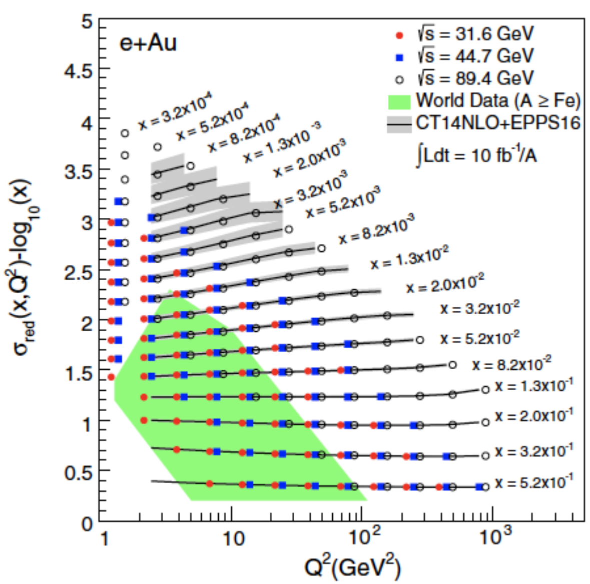
- Planned US ep and eA DIS facility

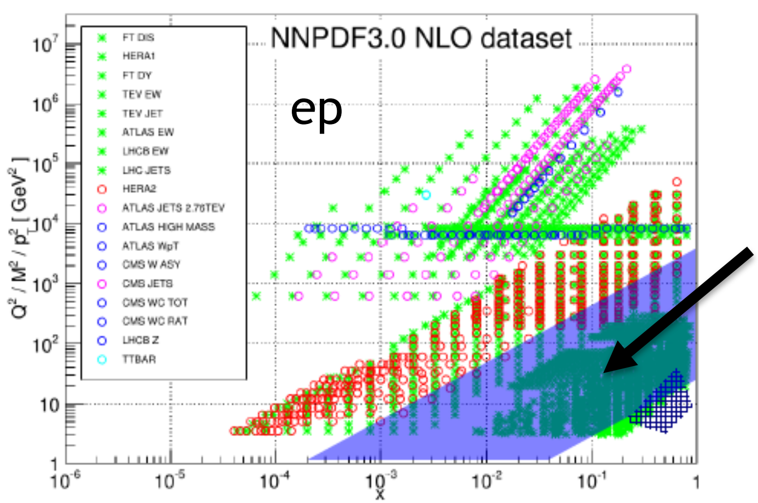
- $20 < \sqrt{s} < \sim 140$ GeV is lower than HERA

- Ion beams and polarised protons
  → physics programme focused on understanding gluons at medium-high x eg through TMDs / GPDs and approaching low x in eA









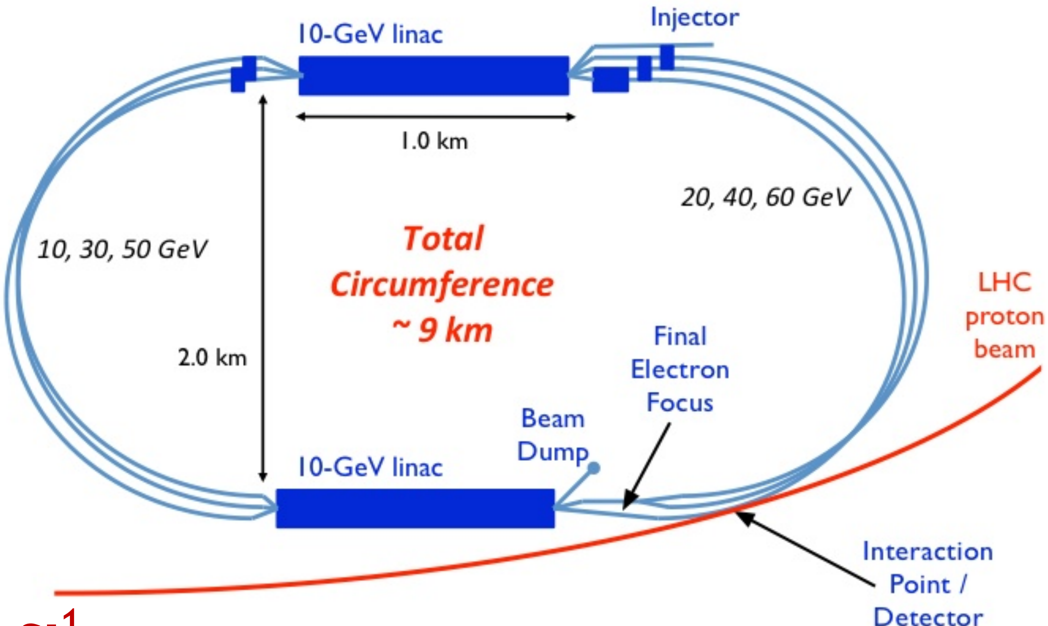
Approximate EIC coverage is shaded area.

LHeC / FCC-eh Design: Electron "Linac"

LHeC CDR, July 2012 [arXiv:1206.2913]

Design constraint: power consumption < 100 MW → E_e = 60 GeV

- Two 10 GeV linacs,
- 3 returns, 20 MV/m
- Energy recovery in same structures

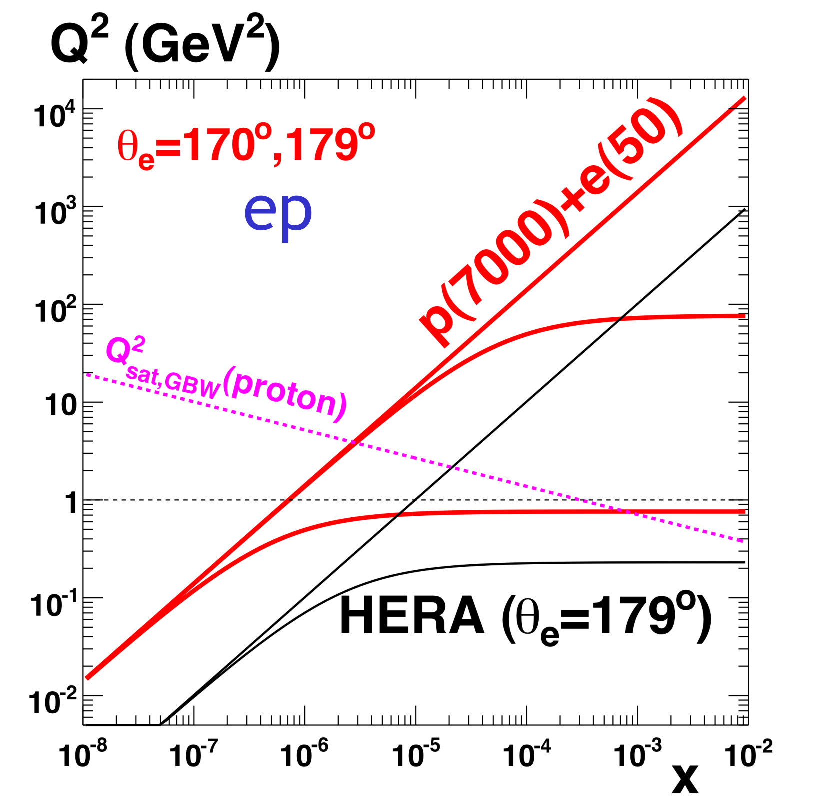


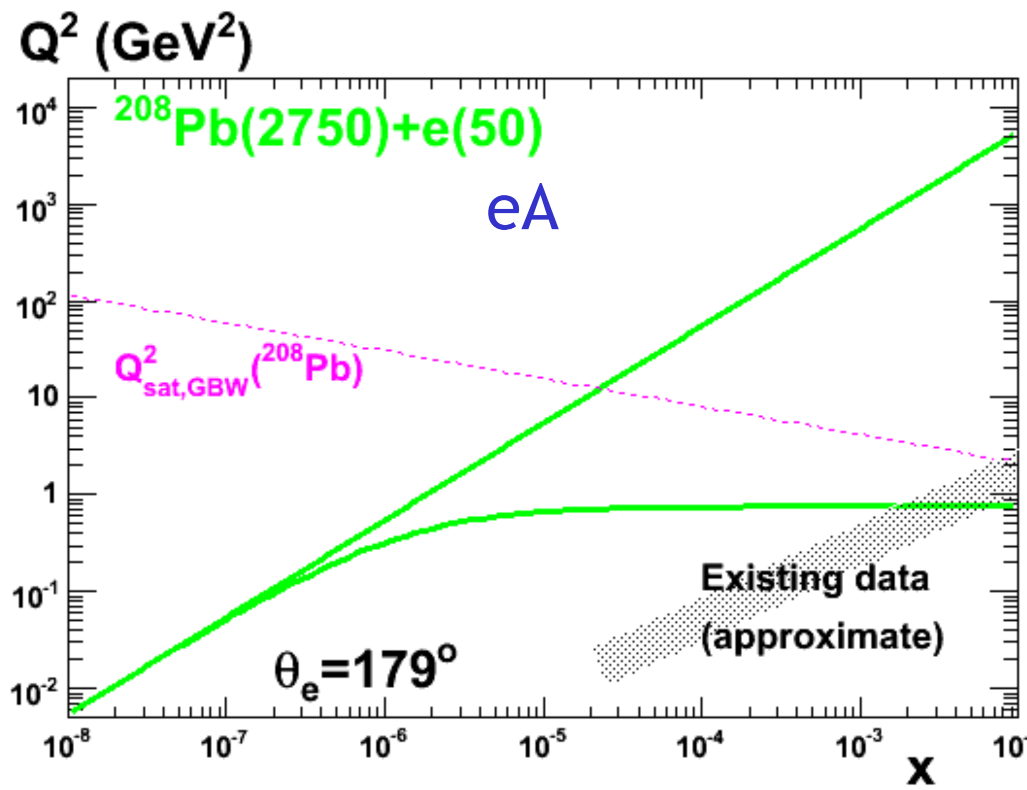
- LHeC ep lumi → 10^{34} cm^{-2} s^{-1}
→ ~100 fb^{-1} per year →~1 ab^{-1} total
- e-nucleon Lumi estimates ~ 10^{31} (3.10^{32}) cm^{-2} s^{-1} for eD (ePb)

- **Similar schemes in collision with protons of 7 TeV (LHeC), 13 TeV (HE-LHeC) and 50 TeV (FCC-eh)**

Low x at LHeC: 2 orders of magnitude extension for ep, 4 for eA …

Testing saturation models at perturbative Q^2



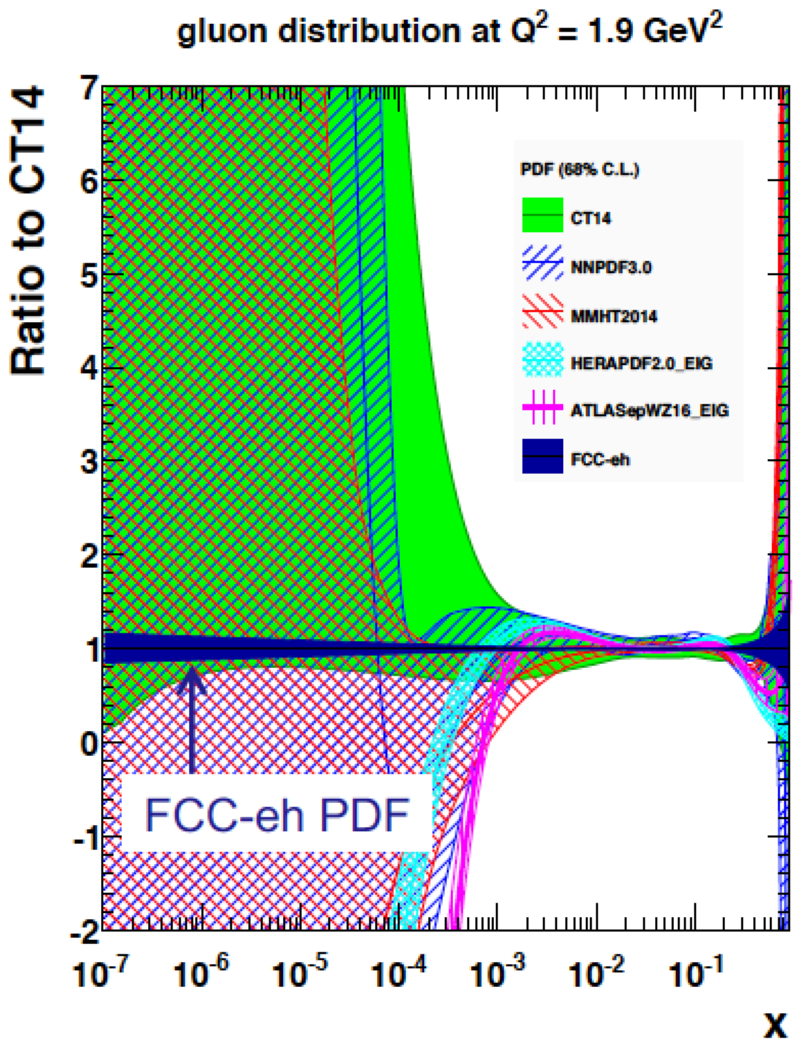


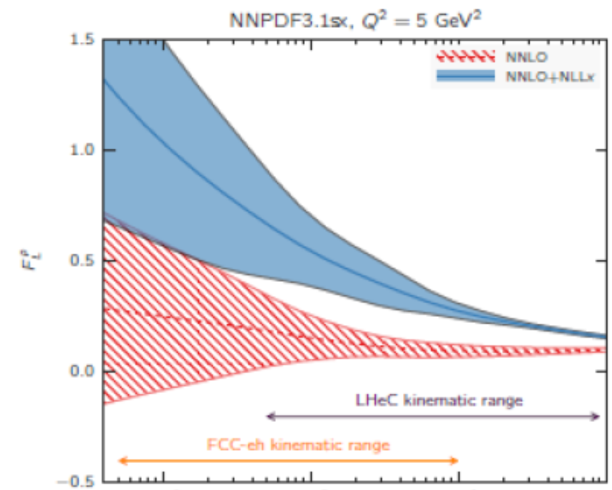
- Low x, Q^2 corner of phase space accesses expected saturated region in both ep & eA at perturbative Q^2 according to models

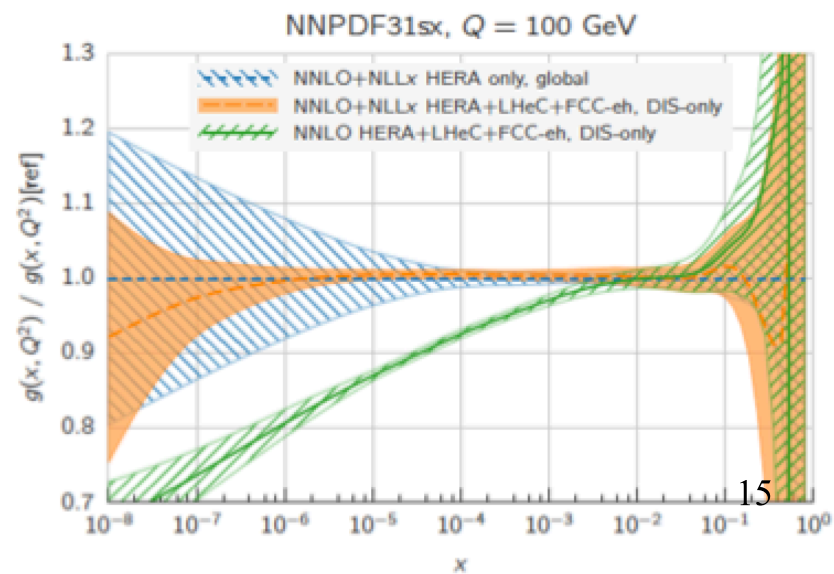
Potential of LHeC and FCC-eh

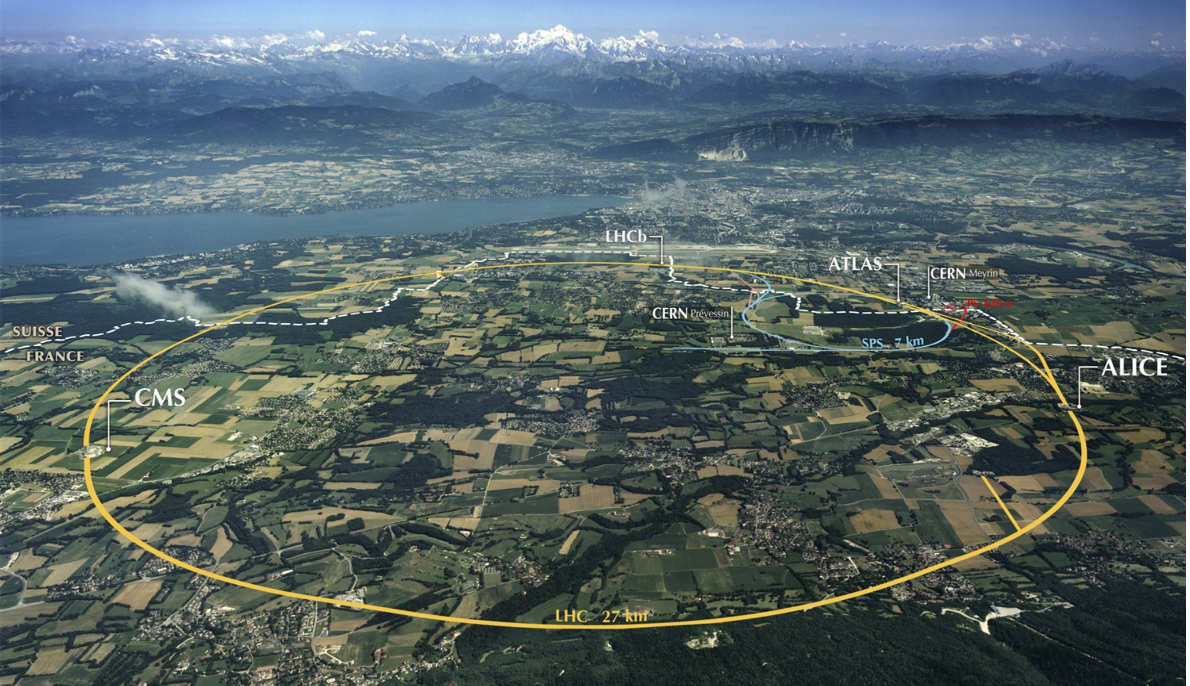
$x \rightarrow 10^{-7}$ at $Q^2 > 3$ GeV^2 for FCC-eh

Very large predicted effects from LL(1/x) resummation









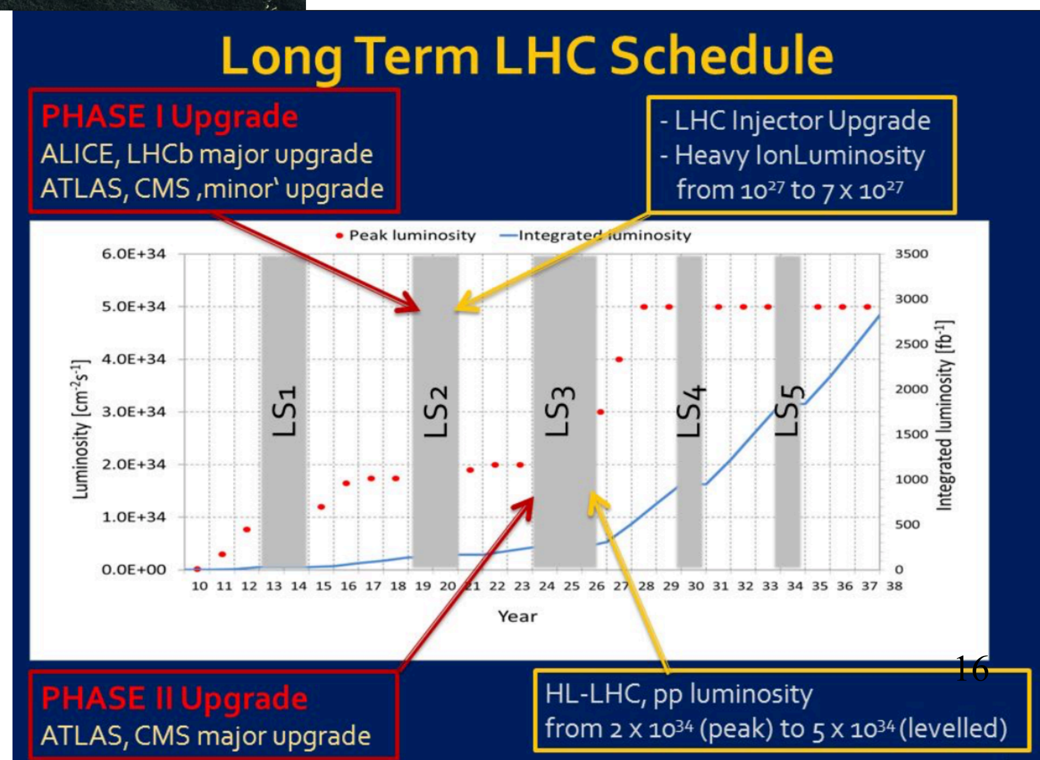
- Future high energy DIS is decades away
- Meantime …

Low x and the LHC

- LHC will run for another two decades

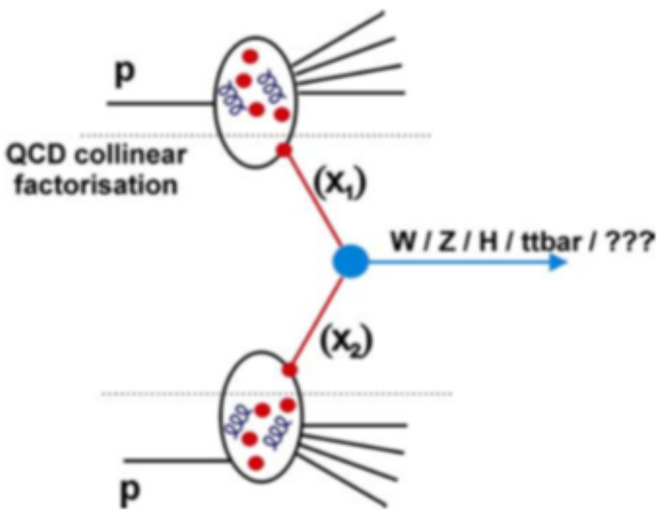
- Will remain the energy frontier for (a lot) longer

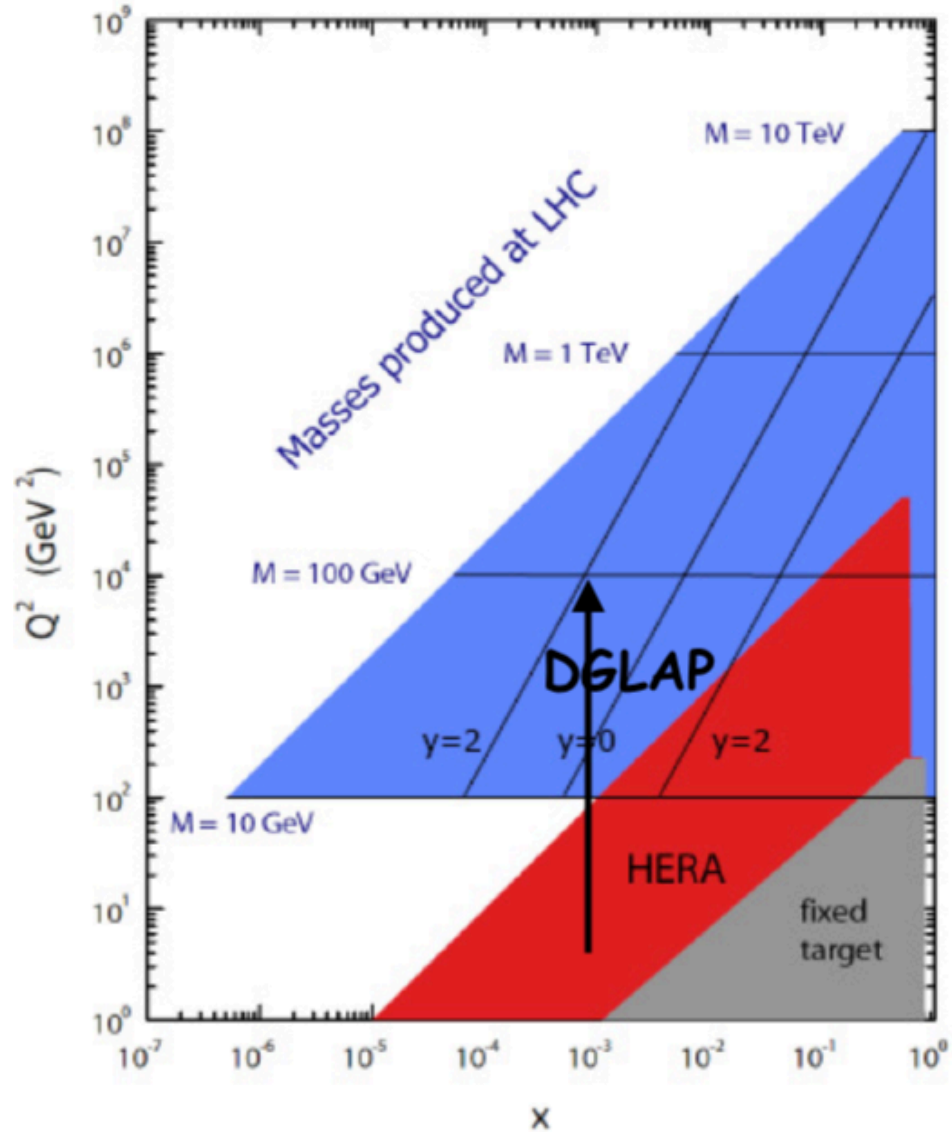
- Has capability to be a much better low-x facility than generally acknowledged



From HERA to LHC

Assuming collinear factorisation and a full understanding of low x dynamics …





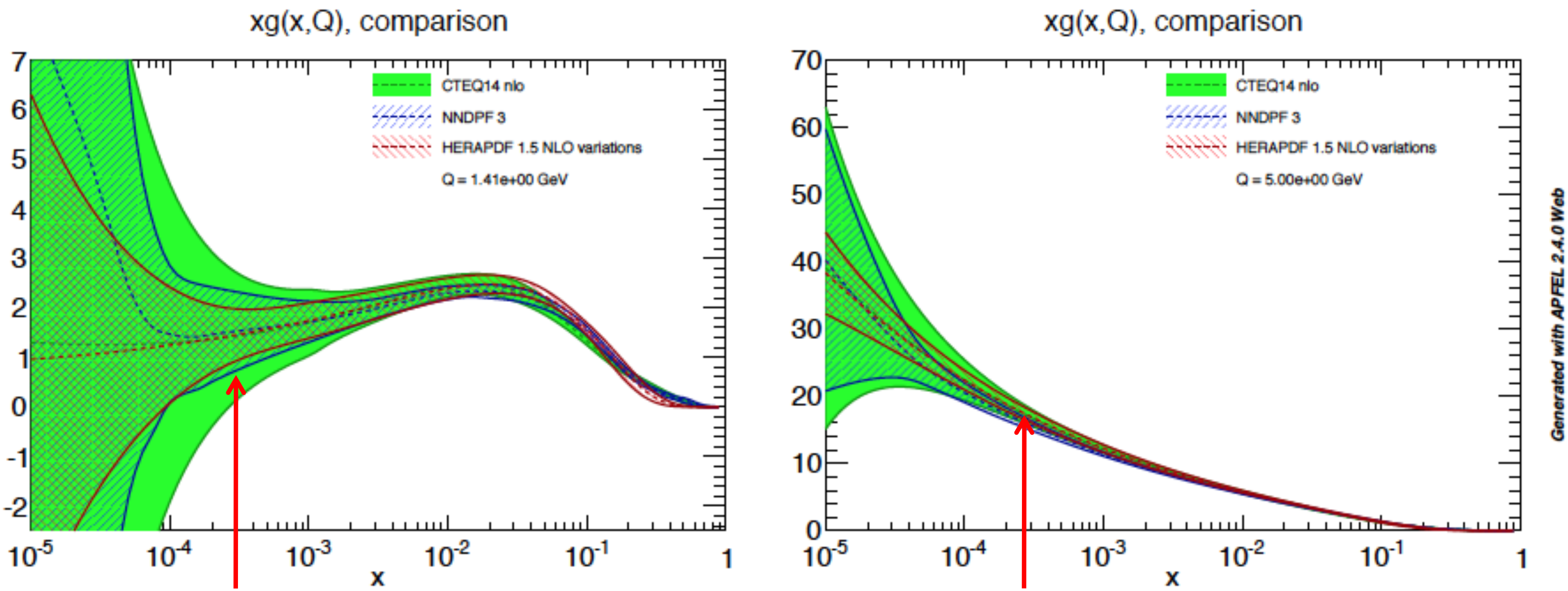
→ Need precise PDFs for interpretation of LHC physics

→ LHC has capability of improving PDF precision

… in principle, includes low x PDFs (as well as revealing any new underlying dynamics)

Why low x might cause dangers at the LHC

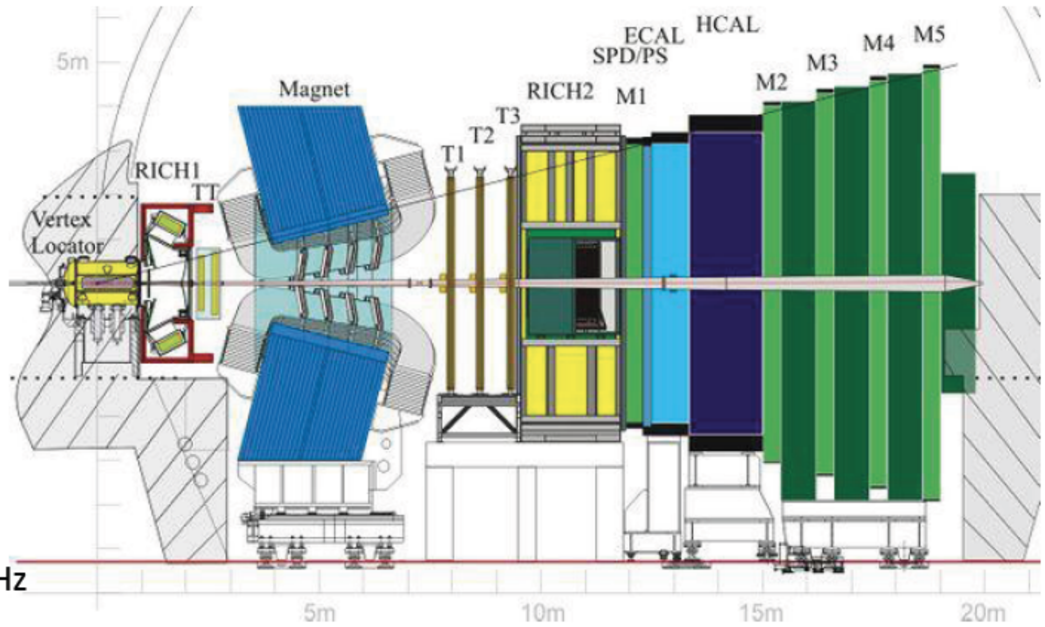
- Use of PDFs based purely on DGLAP Q^2 evolution at low(ish) x, high Q^2 at the LHC will give incorrect results if there are novel effects in the low x, low Q^2 data …



Constrained by HERA data

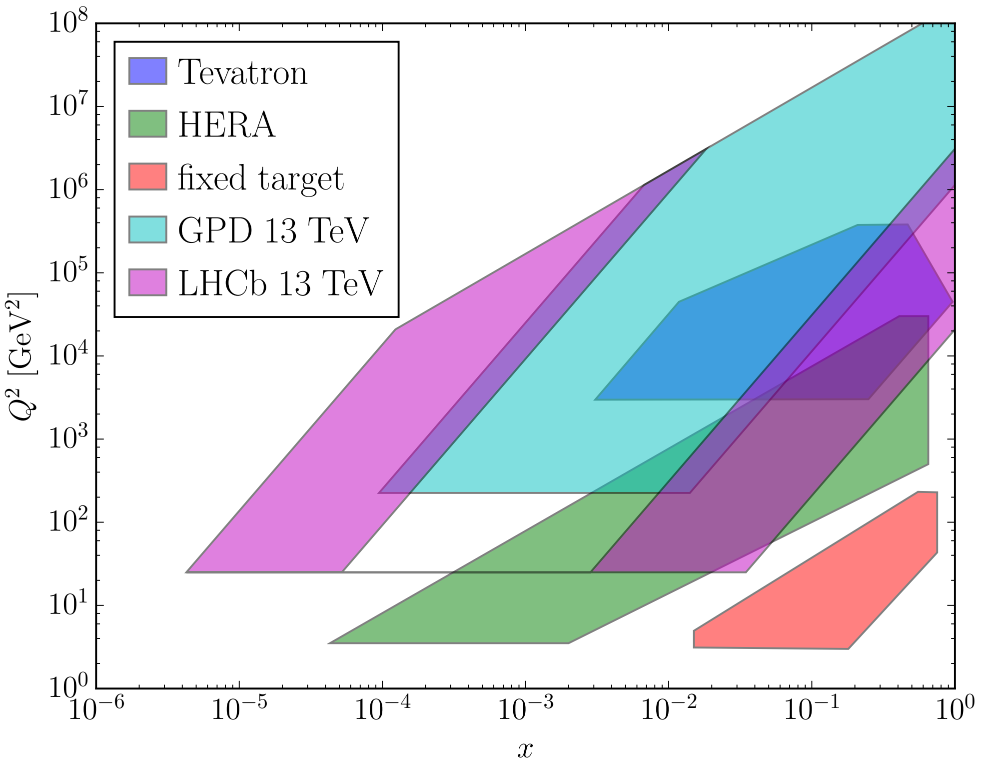
Not directly constrained by HERA data

- Convergence of solutions after DGLAP evolution may already be misleading at the LHC if there are novel evolution dynamics

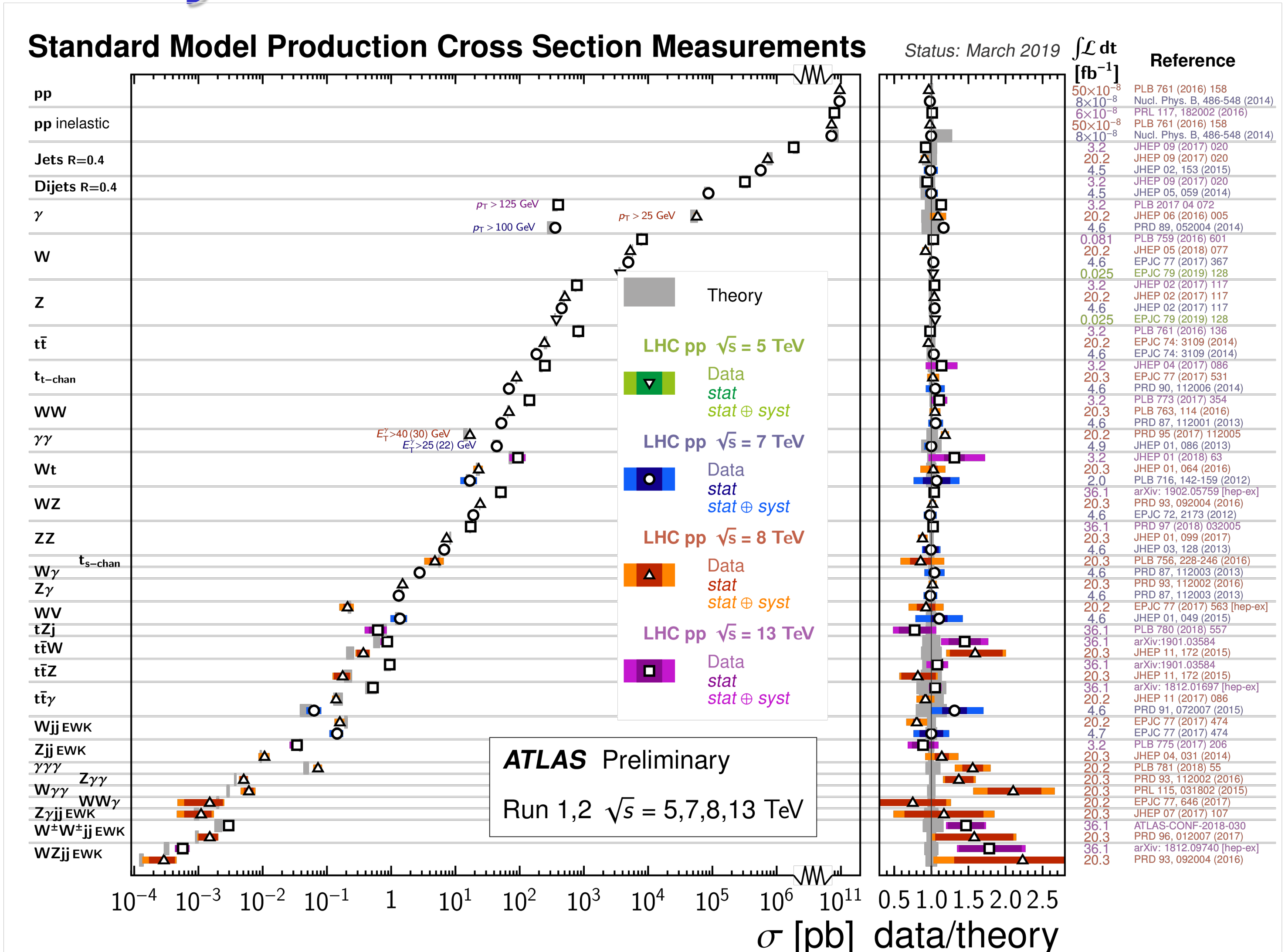


Uniquely Favourable Low x Kinematics at LHCb

- “Fixed target-like” forward instrumentation favours processes with asymmetric incoming x values, giving ‘mainstream’ sensitivity down to x~10^{-5}
- Even more pronounced in genuine fixed target mode (SMOG at LHCb, AFTER …)



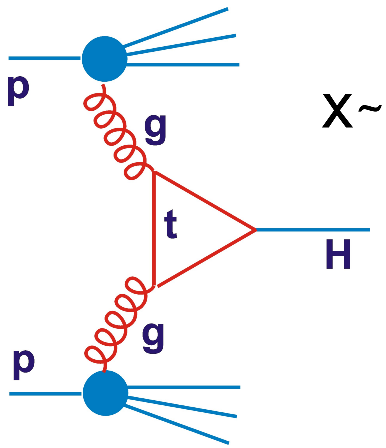
Theory v Data: inclusive variables at LHC



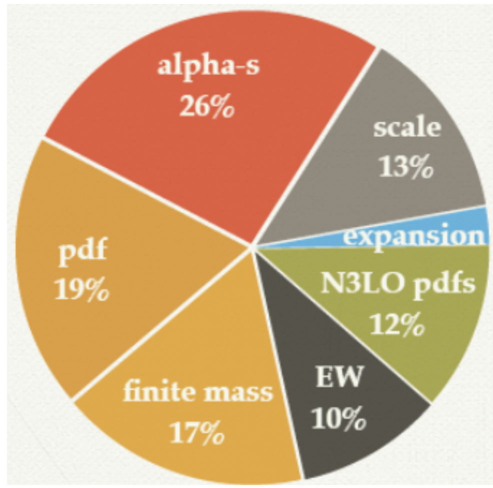
- PDFs are a vital ingredient in almost all predictions
- Factorisation between ep and pp works well overall!
- From LHC point of view, low-x is a small corner

High / Medium x: PDFs Limit LHC Physics

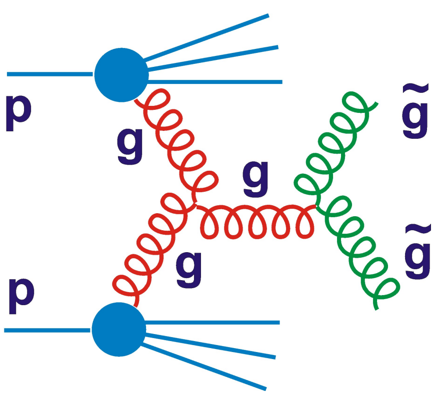
Higgs Cross Section Theory Uncertainties (at N^3LO)

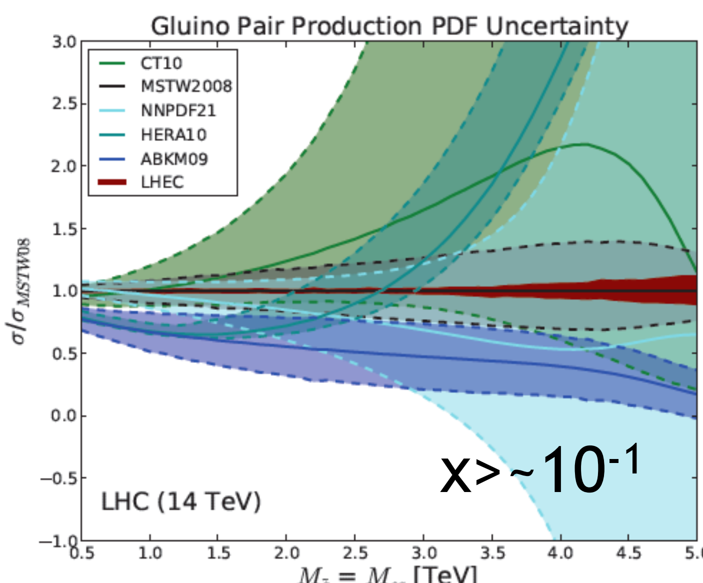


$x \sim 10^{-2}$



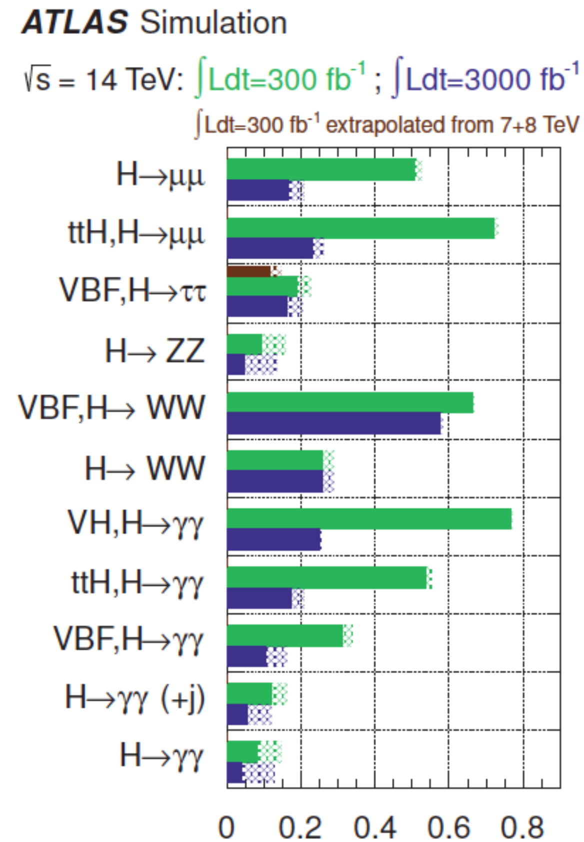
Searches → eg Gluino Pairs





$x > \sim 10^{-1}$

Projected Higgs Coupling Experimental Uncertainties



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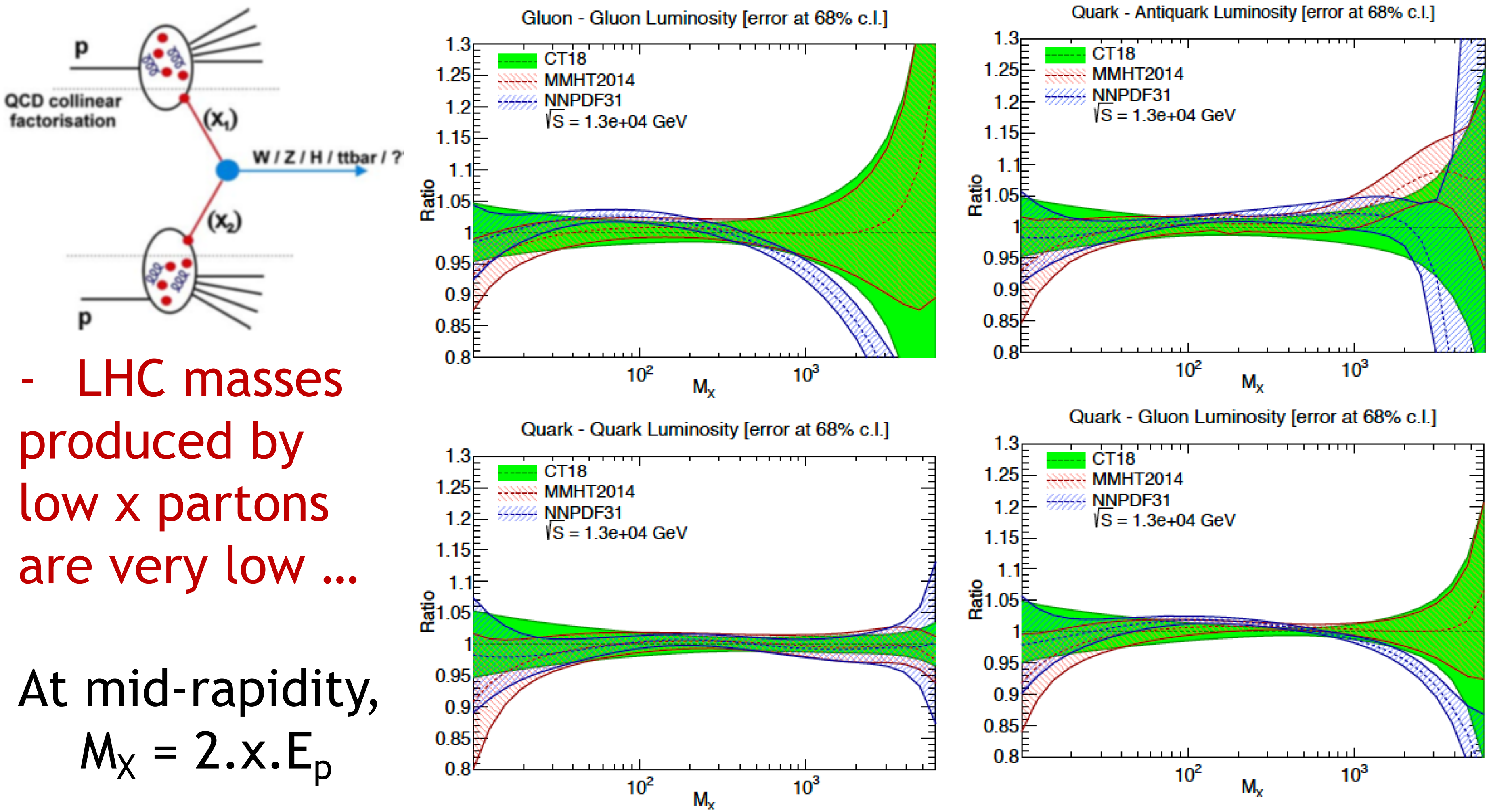
[Dashed regions = scale & PDF contributions

Current PDF Sets → LHC Kinematics & Low x



- LHC masses produced by low x partons are very low …

At mid-rapidity, $M_X = 2.x.E_p$

… e.g. two $x=10^{-4}$ partons produce $M_X = 1.7$GeV at mid-rapidity

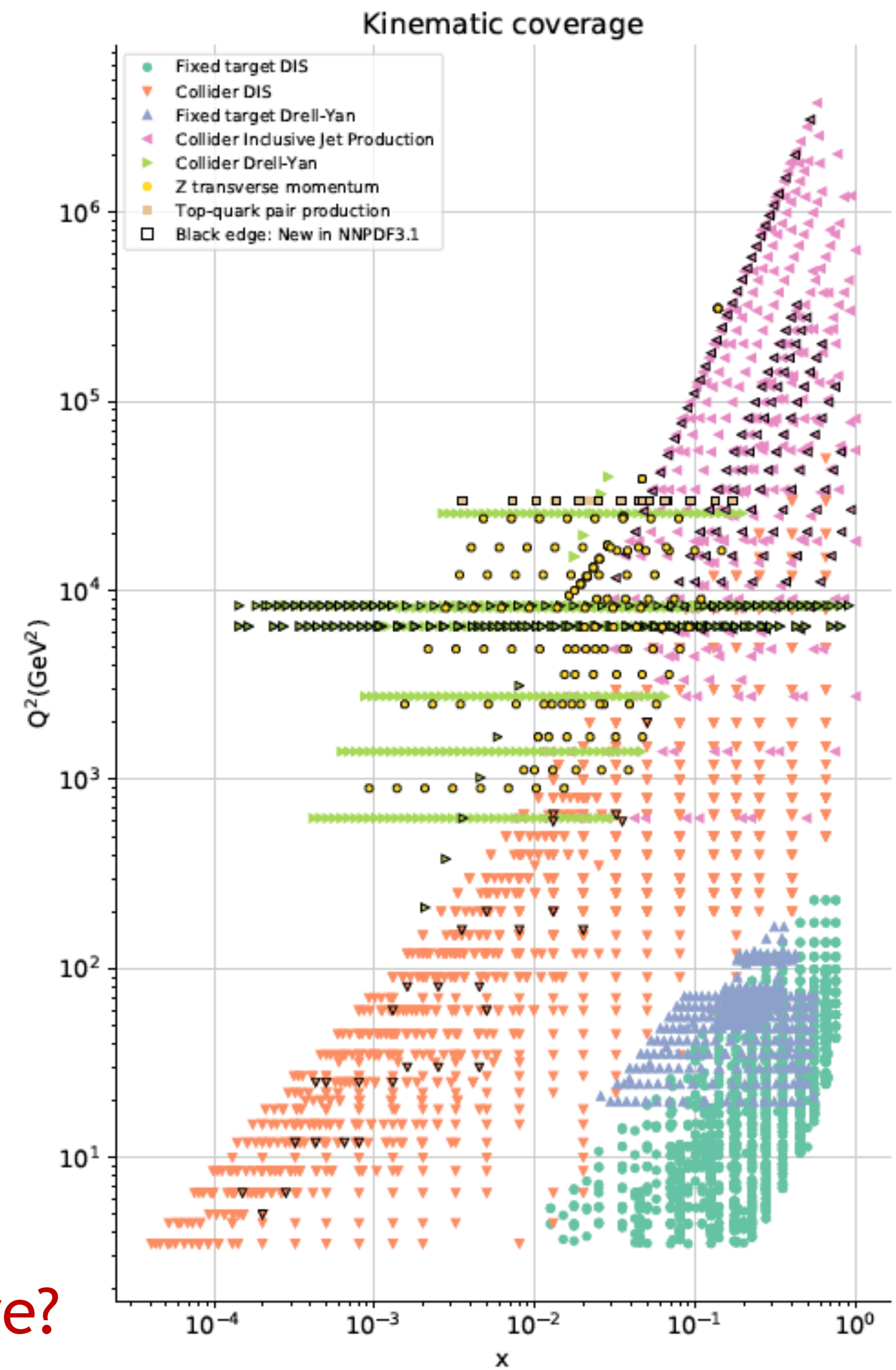
- … low x not very fashionable in LHC collider communnity

There are at Least Some Low-x Sensitive Data

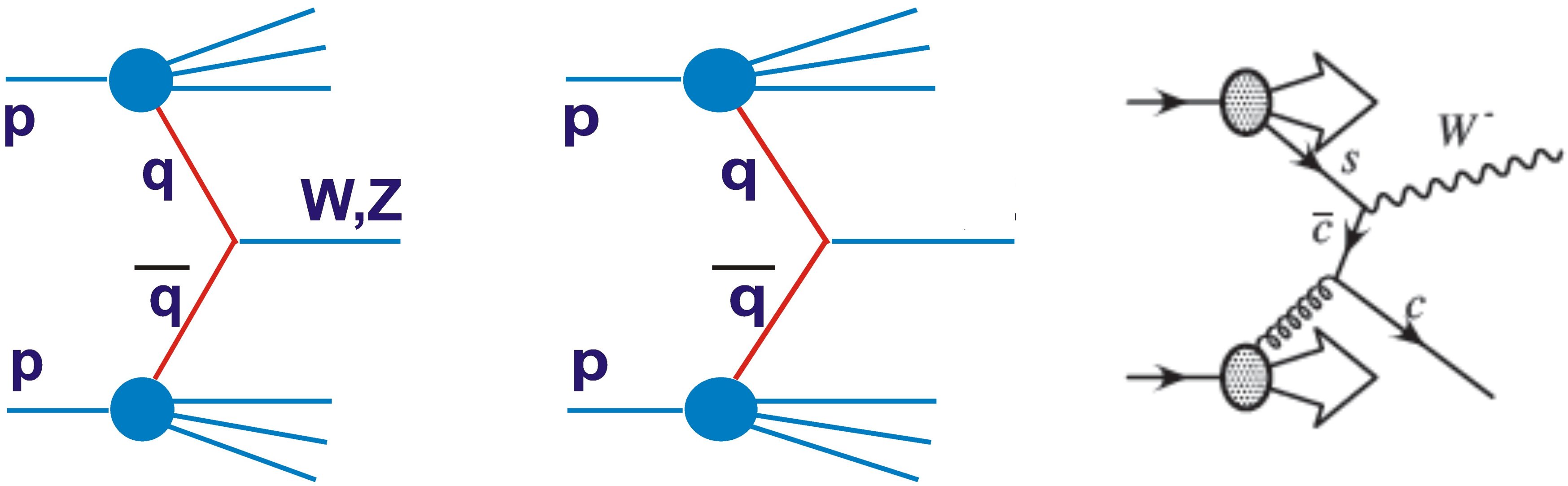
- Global fit ingredients include LHC W, Z, jets, top

- Eg NNPDF 3.1 → some low-x sensitive observables
  → ATLAS low mass Drell-Yan
  → LHCb forward W & Z

- But which PDFs are they sensitive to?...
- And what impact do they have?



QUARK SENSITIVE LHC OBSERVABLES

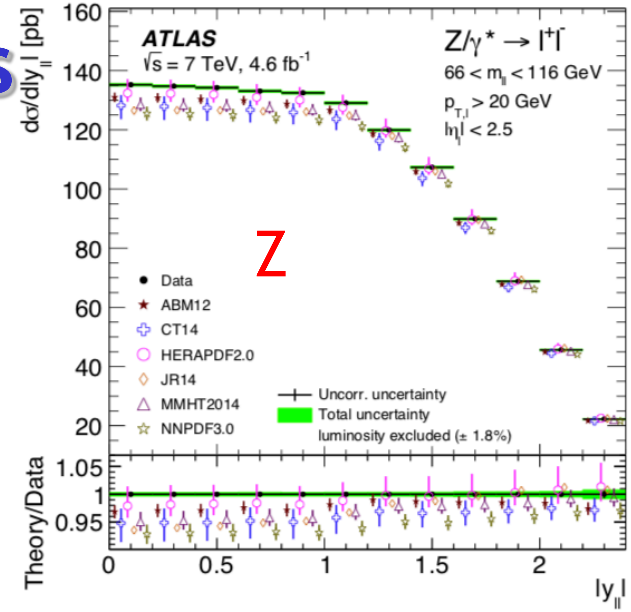


- Electroweak gauge boson production

- Drell Yan below the Z pole

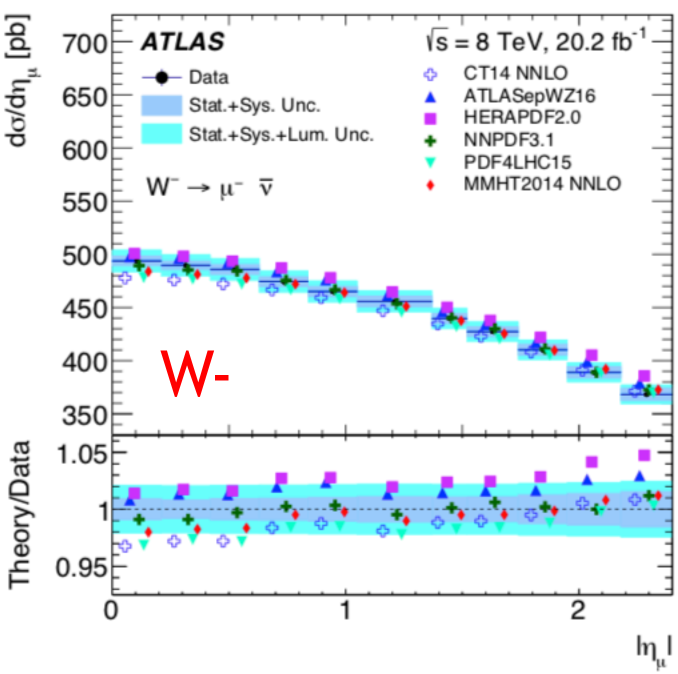
- W + charm

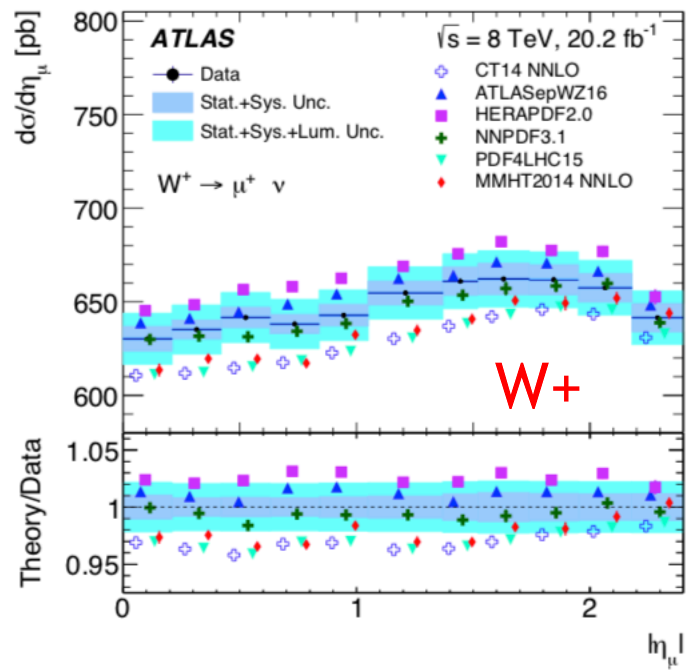
Differential W, Z Cross Sections



- Normalisation (~2% precision) already distinguishes PDF sets

- Differential distributions give added sensitivity, particularly to flavour decomposition …

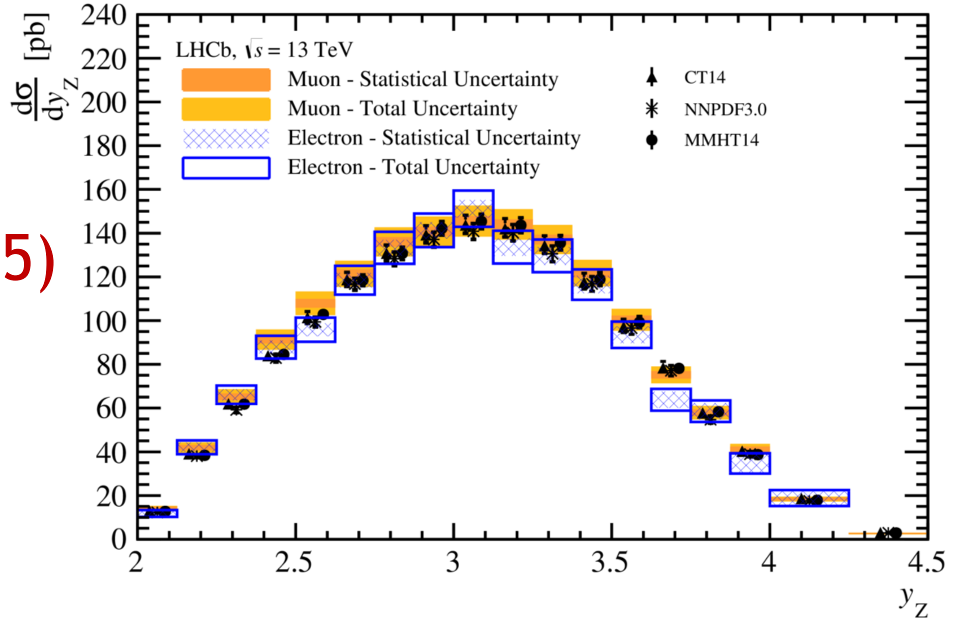


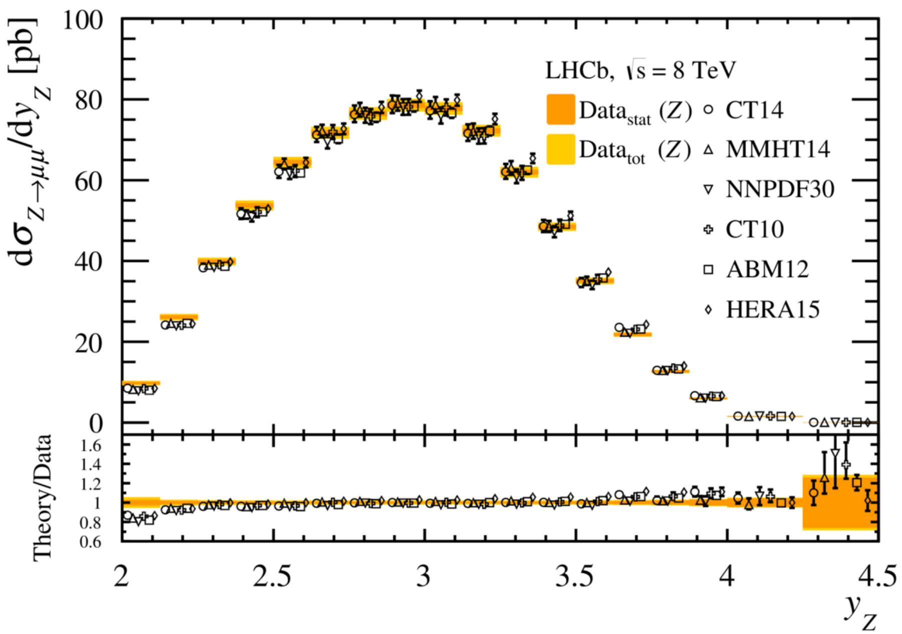


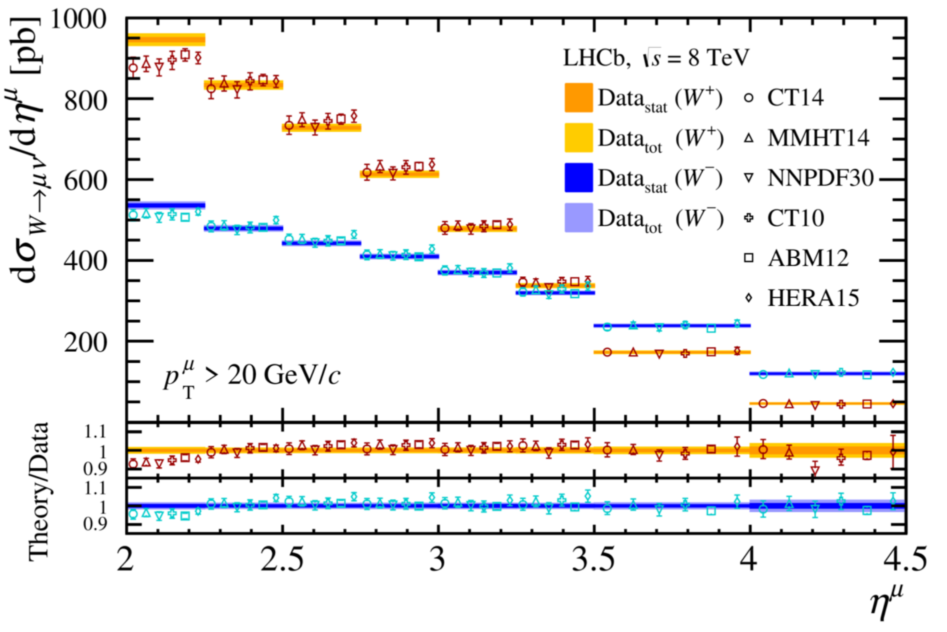
- Z p_T dist's also in NNPDF3.1 → consistency, but limited impact

LHCb W and Z

- Forward kinematics (2 < η < 4.5) promising
- Full Run 1 data (7TeV and 8TeV) included in PDF fits
- Run 2 data also now published

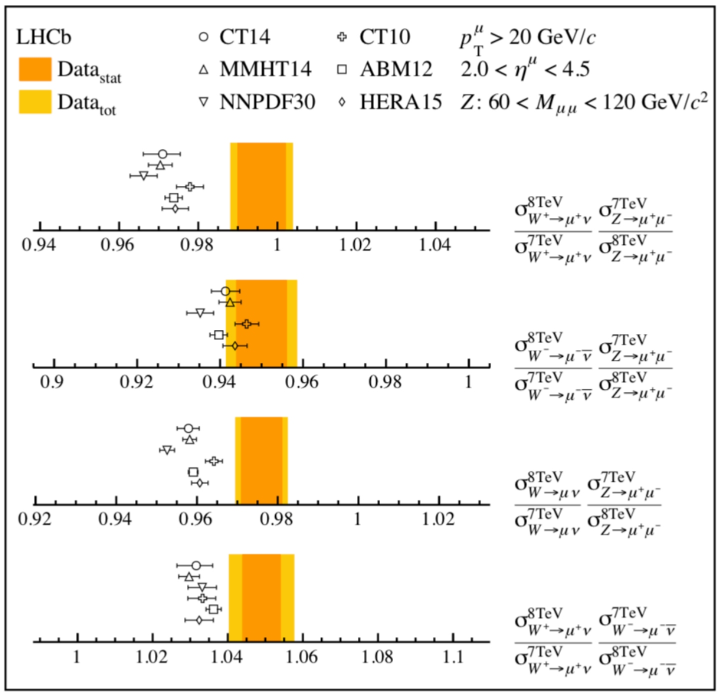


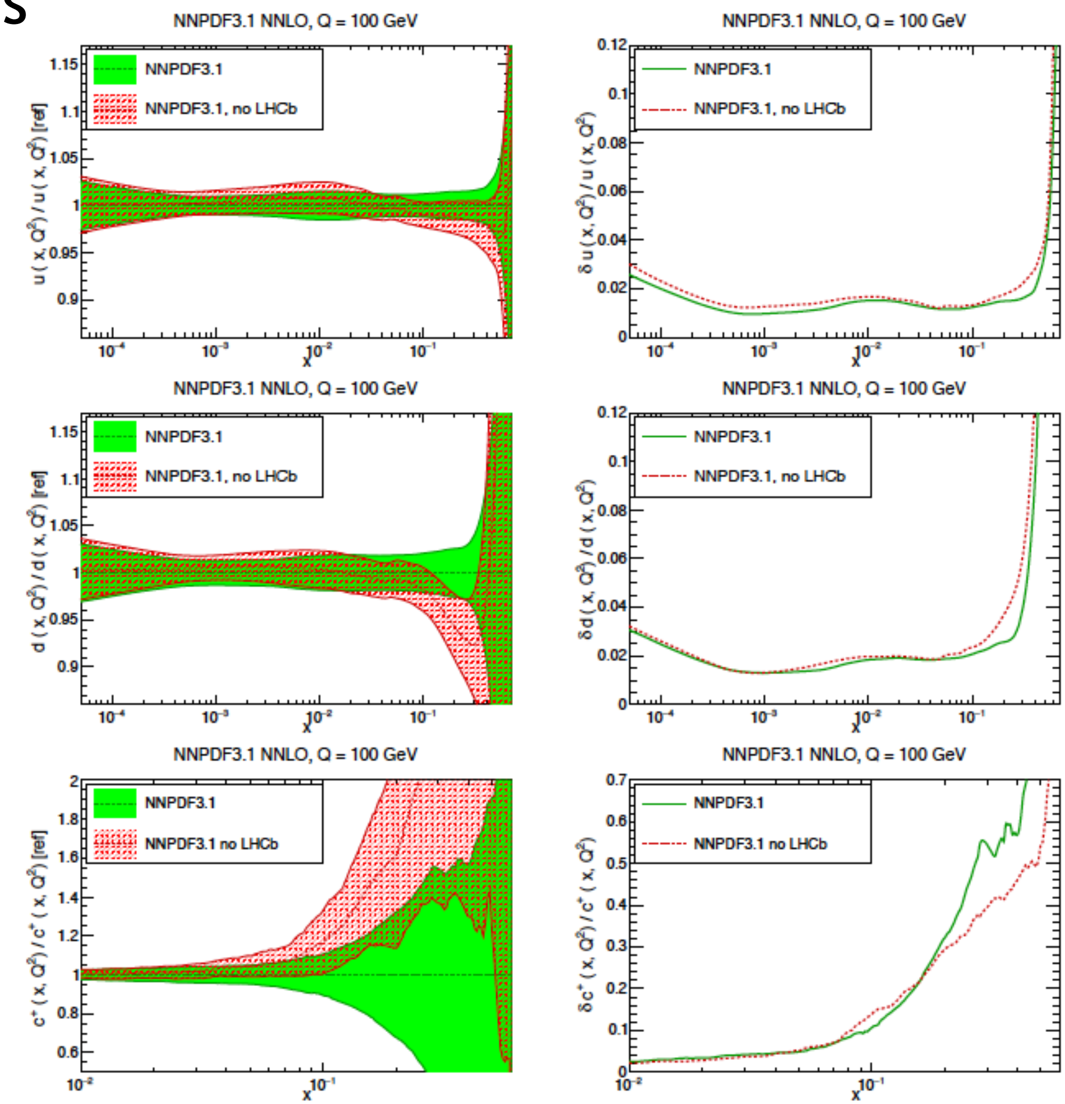




LHCb W and Z data

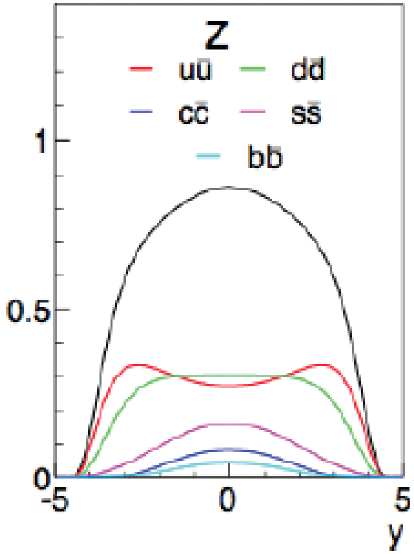
- Ratios W/Z (or ratios of ratios 8TeV/7TeV) look powerful!
- The data have an impact (see shifts in central values) and reductions in uncertainties



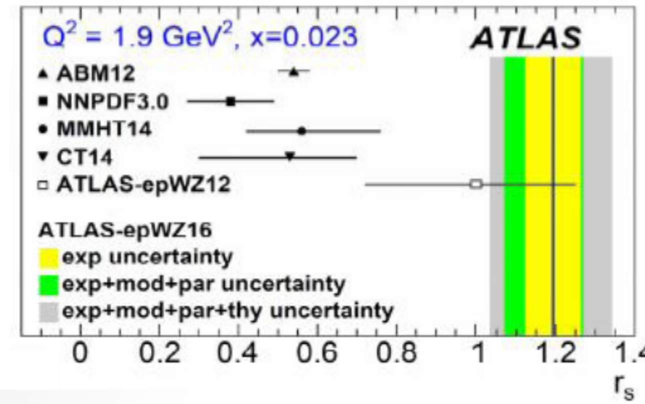


… BUT almost entirely restricted to large x

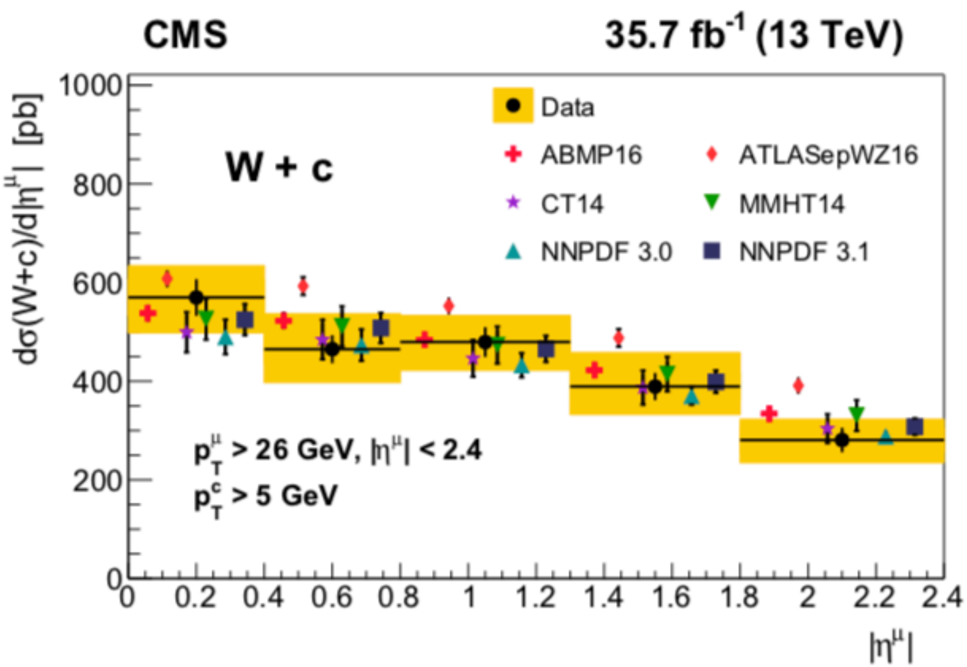
Strange Density



- Z differential rapidity distribution at central rapidity sensitive to s+sbar
- Suggested strange not suppressed relative to u,d

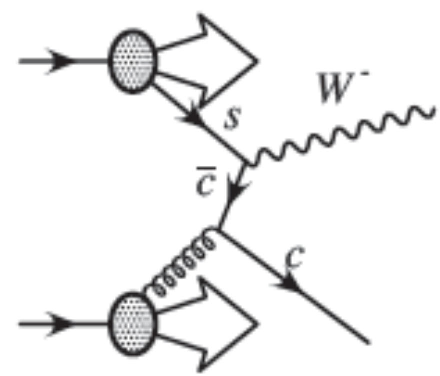


Final states with W + charm more directly sensitive to strange

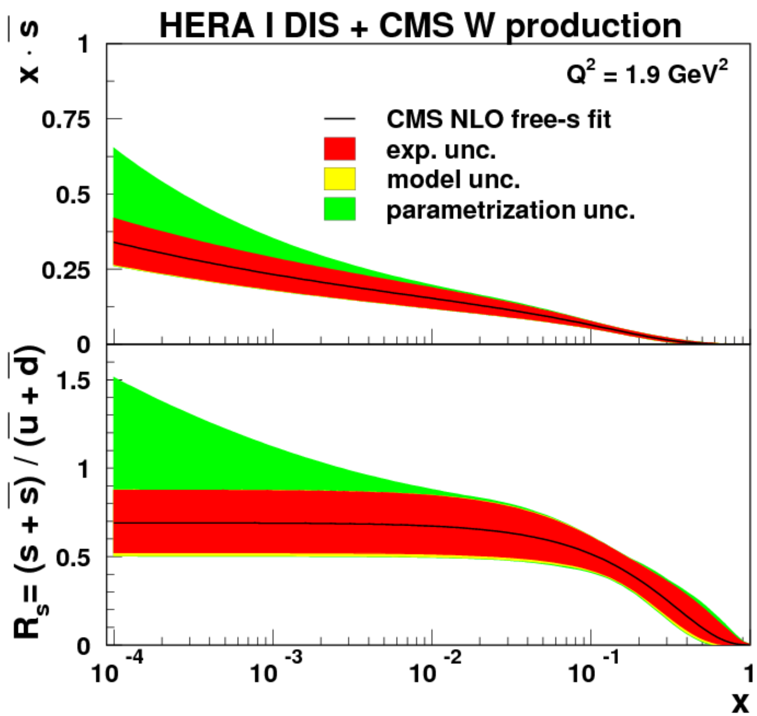


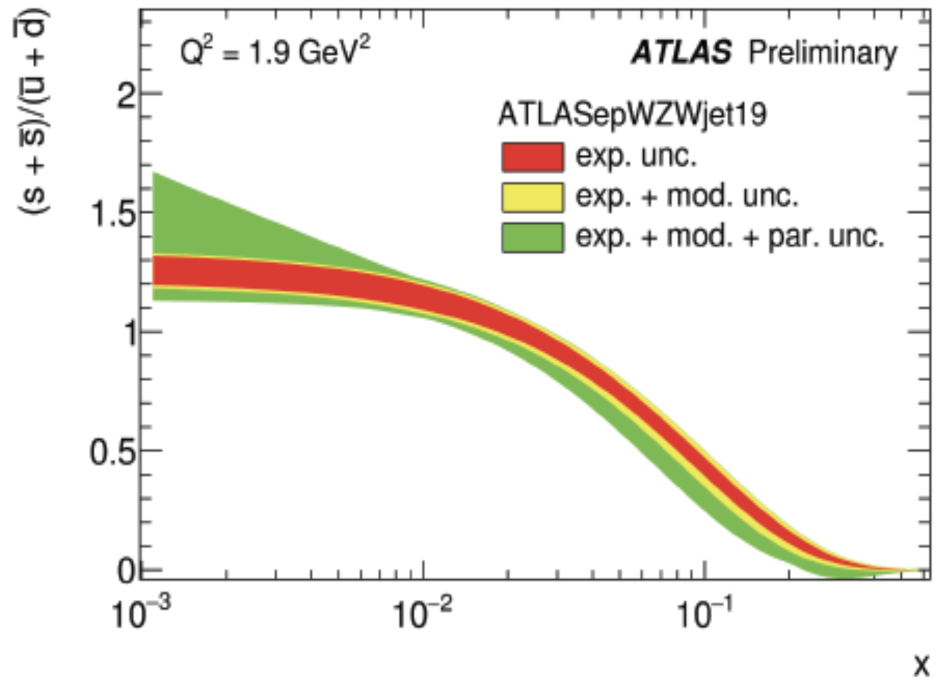
Measurements using fully reconstructed D(*) or leptons associated with jets.

Cross section comparisons at NLO …



Latest ATLAS / CMS Word on Strange PDFs Including W+jet data



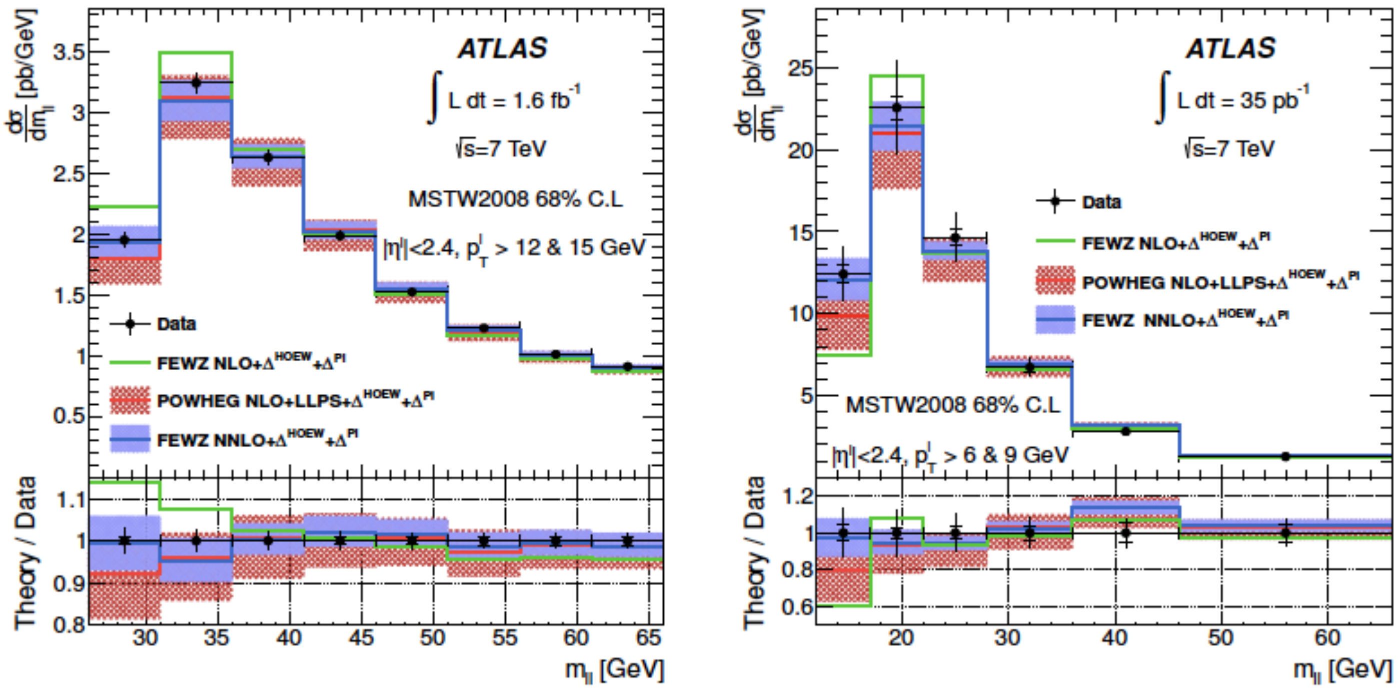


- Marginal agreement between ATLAS and CMS

- Plots extend to genuinely low x ☺

- Low x "parameterisation uncertainty" indicative of lack of direct constraints

Drell-Yan Below Z Pole



- Lowest x direct constraints come from DY q qbar→ l+l- at low m_{ll} → eg ATLAS dedicated sample down to m_{ll} = 12 GeV

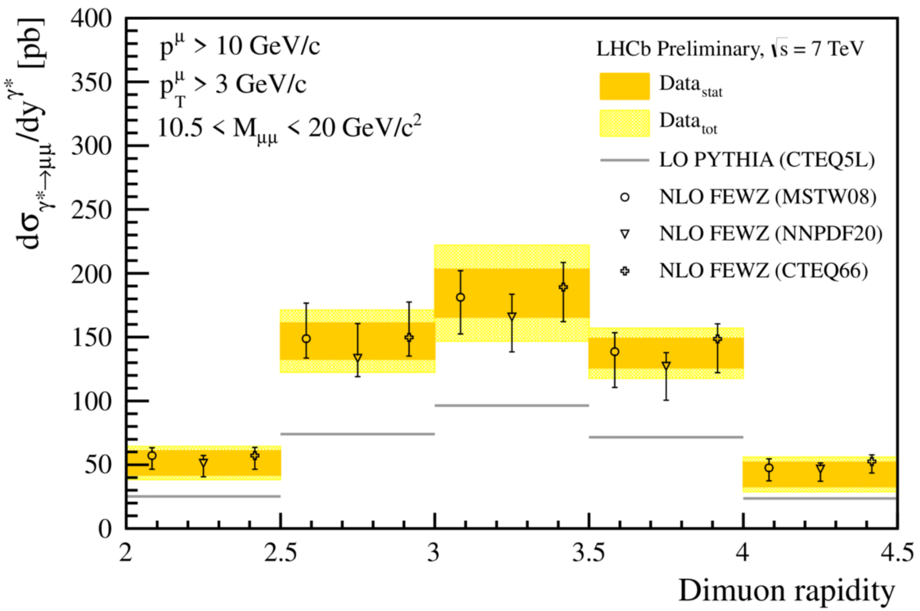
- Significant improvement in data description when NLO → NNLO

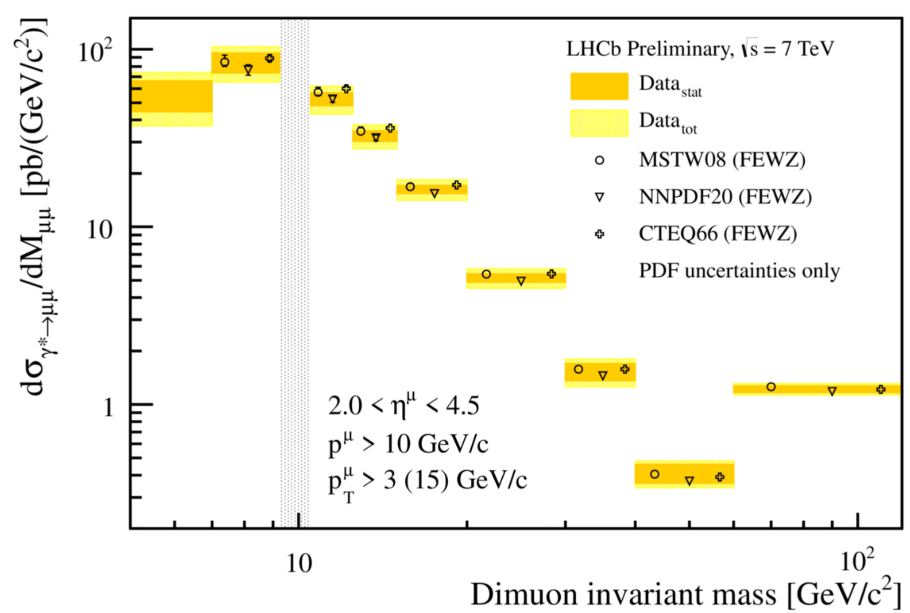
- MSTW2008 PDFs adequate to describe → well understood?...

- Now included in NNPDF3.1

Drell Yan at low mass in LHCb

- CONF note 2012 … still yet to be published?...





- Data extend to m_{ll} = 5 GeV at forward rapidities!

- (NLO) comparisons with previous generations of PDF sets don't show much distinguishing power

- Improved experimental precision may be possible?

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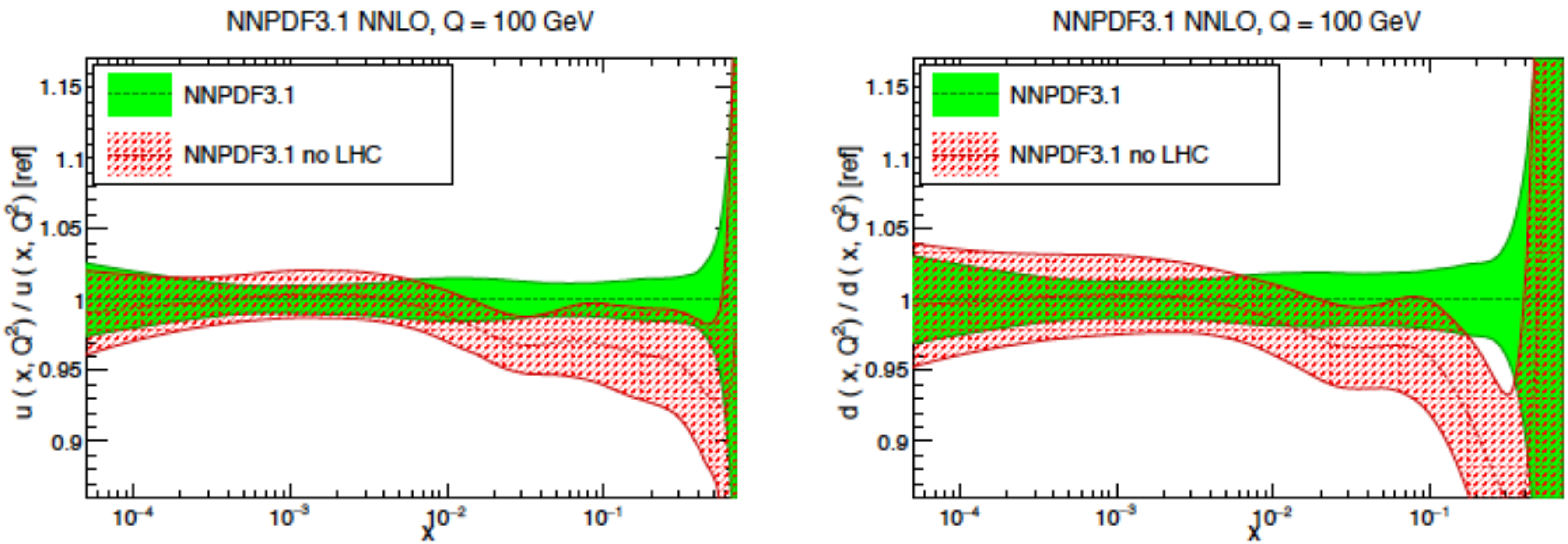
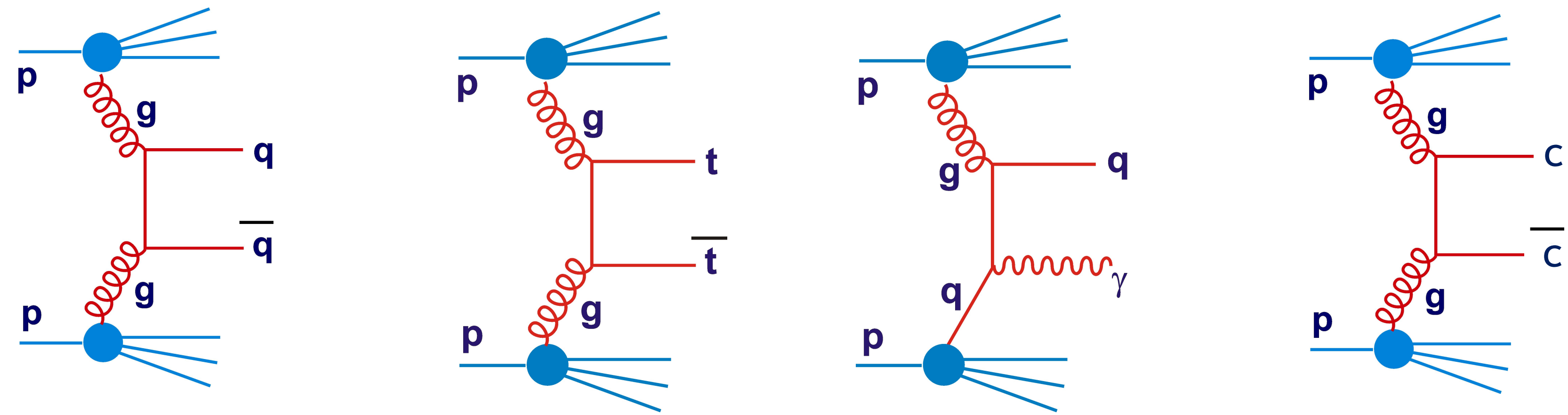


- LHC has contributed, mainly through low mass Drell-Yan, particularly to down density

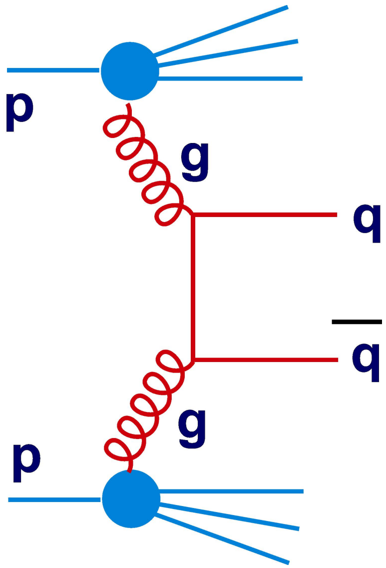
- Primary constraints still come from HERA

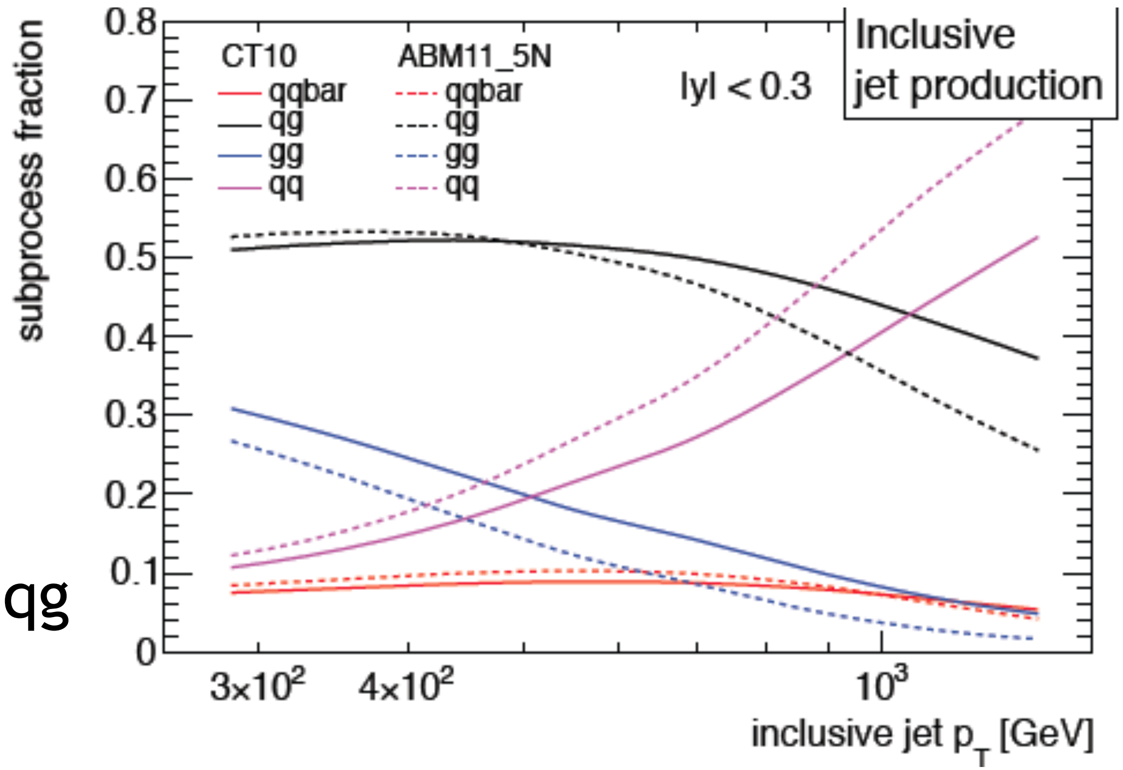
GLUON SENSITIVE LHC OBSERVABLES



- Jet production
- Top Quarks
- Direct Photons
- Charm Production

Jet Production





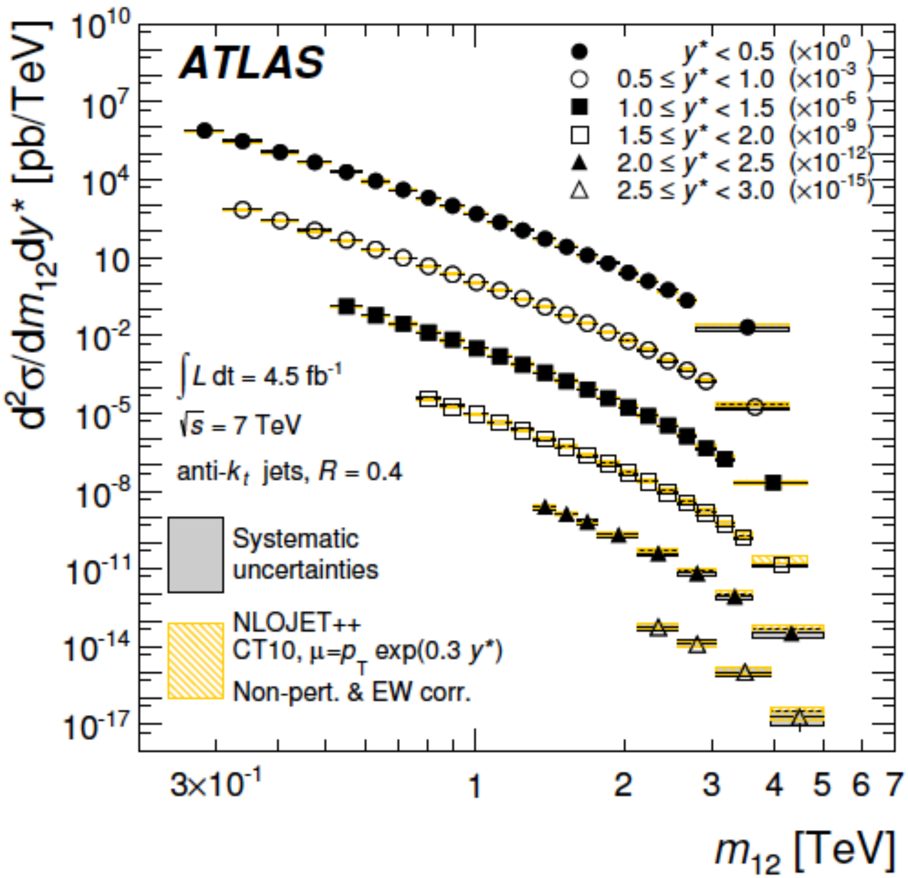
- Gluon-sensitive, though even at low(ish) p_T, qg → qg is larger than gg → gg

- Rates very high

- Limited experimentally by jet Energy Scale Uncertainty and non-perturbative corrections to the jets

- Recent availability of NNLO calculations increases interest

e.g. ATLAS Dijet Data



- Remarkable kinematic range

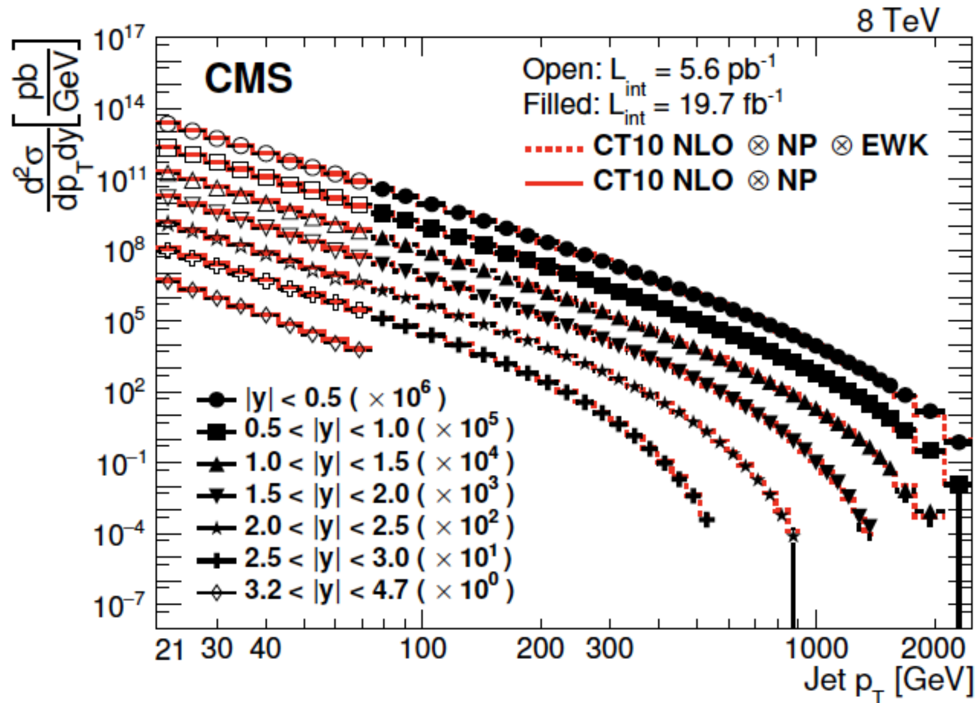
- ~2% jet energy scale uncertainty

- QCD does impressive job of describing data extending to dijet invariant masses 5 TeV

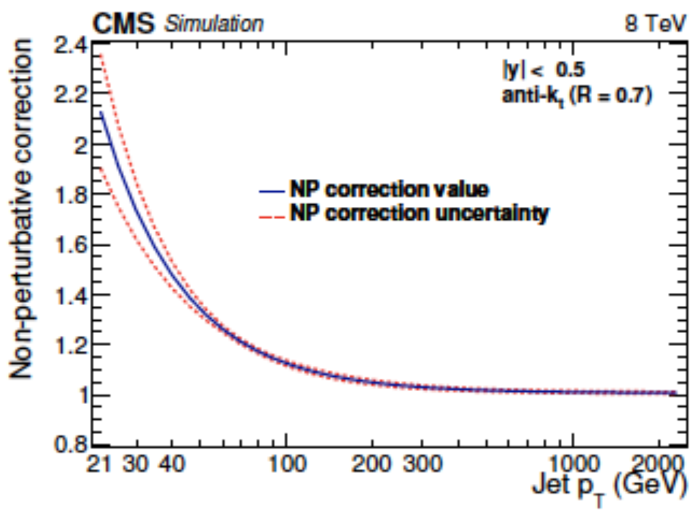
- BUT kinematic region of mainstream jet analyses is high p_T and large invariant masses → not generally well suited to low x physics

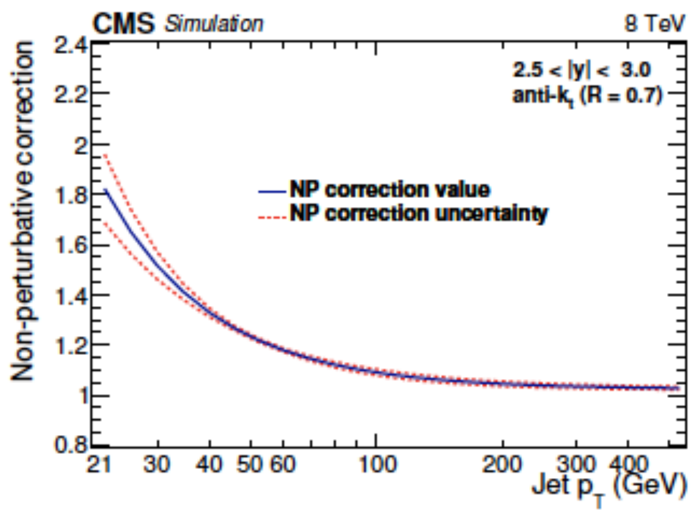
e.g. CMS 8 TeV Dijet Data

- Dedicated analysis in low pile-up sample leads to data at low(er) p_T and large $|\eta|$, with improved low-x sensitivity

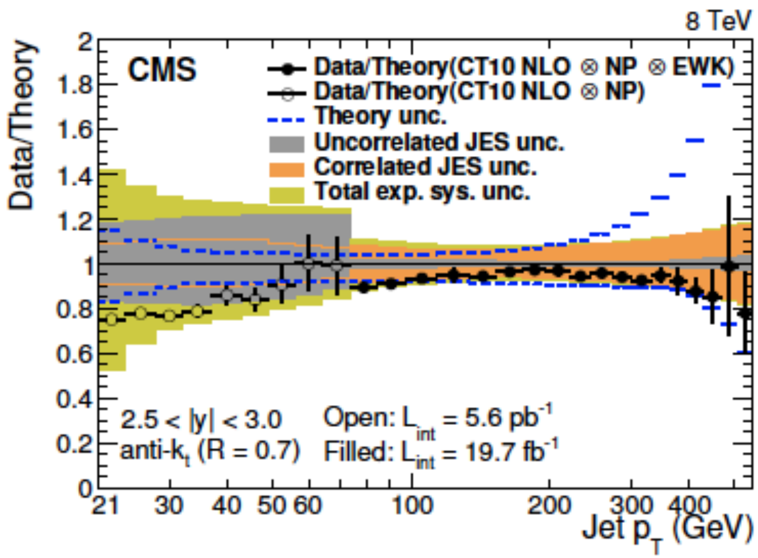


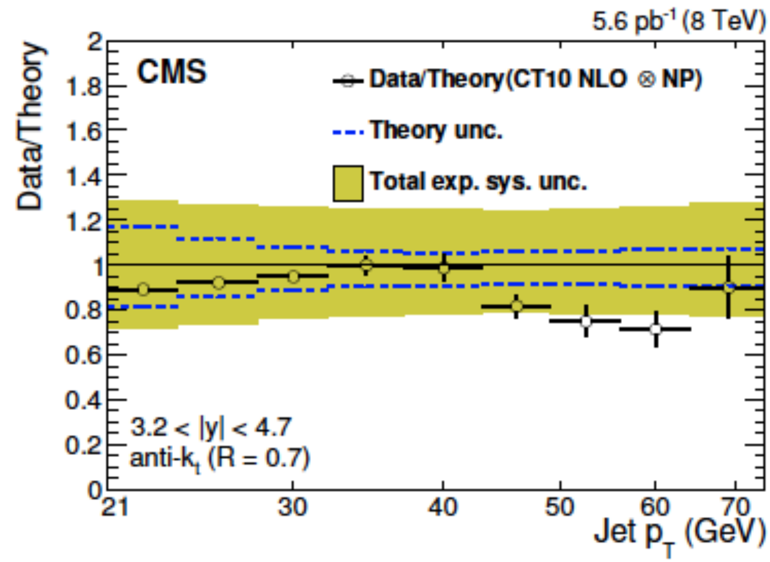
- Also brings bigger non-perturbative corrections and associated uncertainties (hadronization, underlying event)

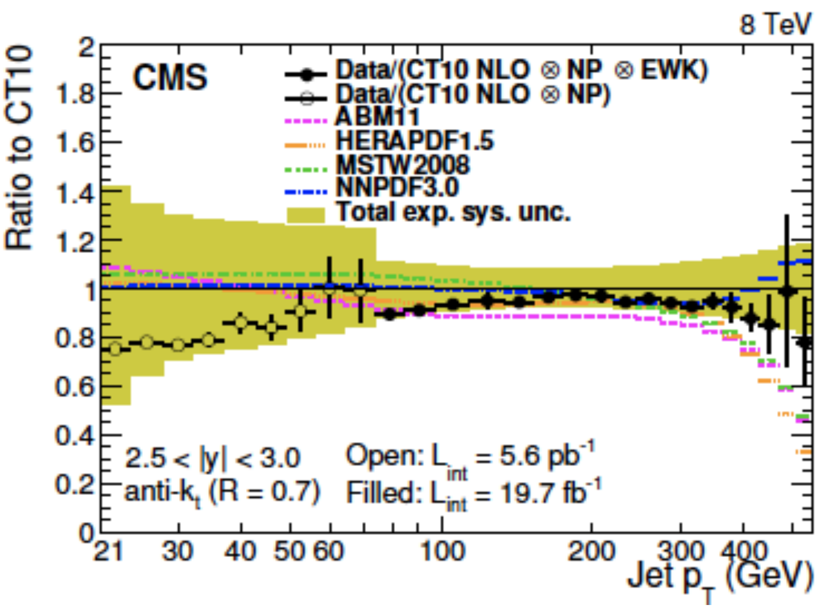




CMS 8 TeV Dijet Data



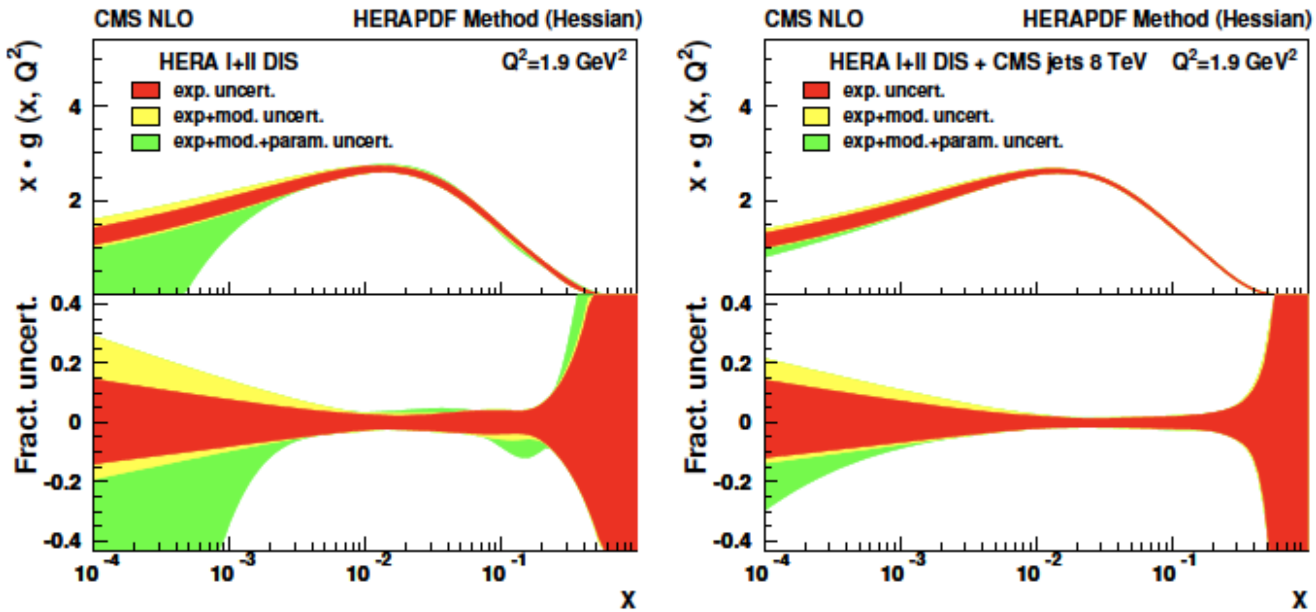




- In highest rapidity bins, low p_T data appear to deviate from all (NLO) predictions

- However, deviations are within the (large) experimental and theory uncertainties

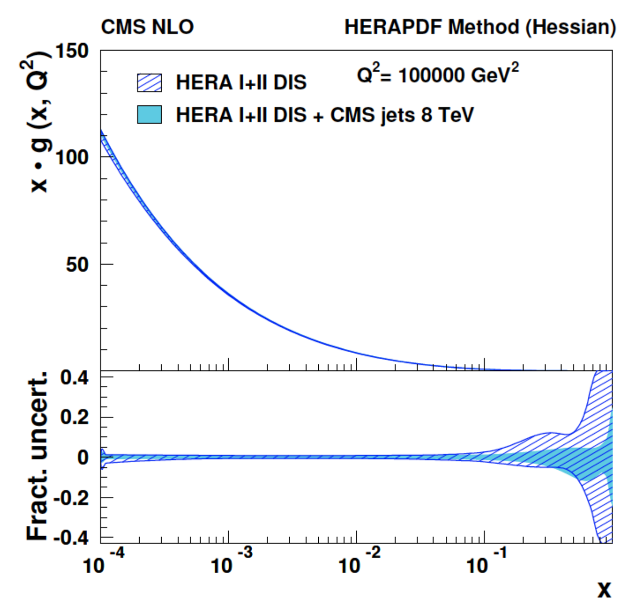
CMS (NLO) QCD Analysis including jet data

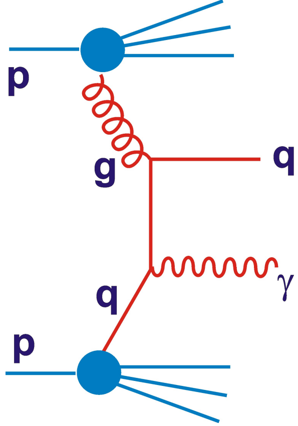


- Some impact at lowest x and parameterization scale, in terms of addressing HERA param'n uncertainty

- Low x influence washes out with DGLAP evolution to large scales

- High x influence survives

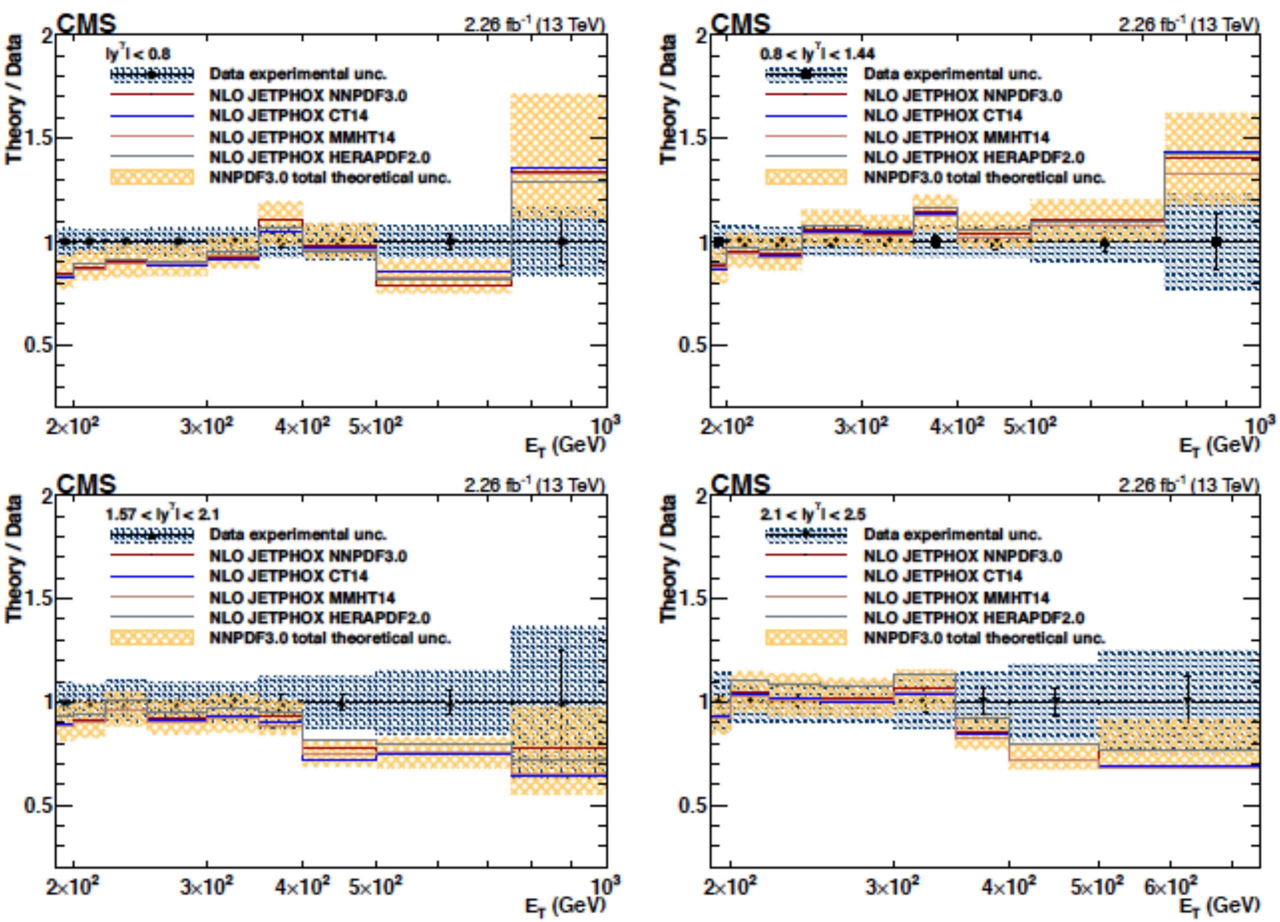




What about Direct Photons?

Dominant diagram is ug → uγ (~60% of cross section)

Previously limited by questionable agreement with NLO (eg Jetphox) … but NNLO now exists



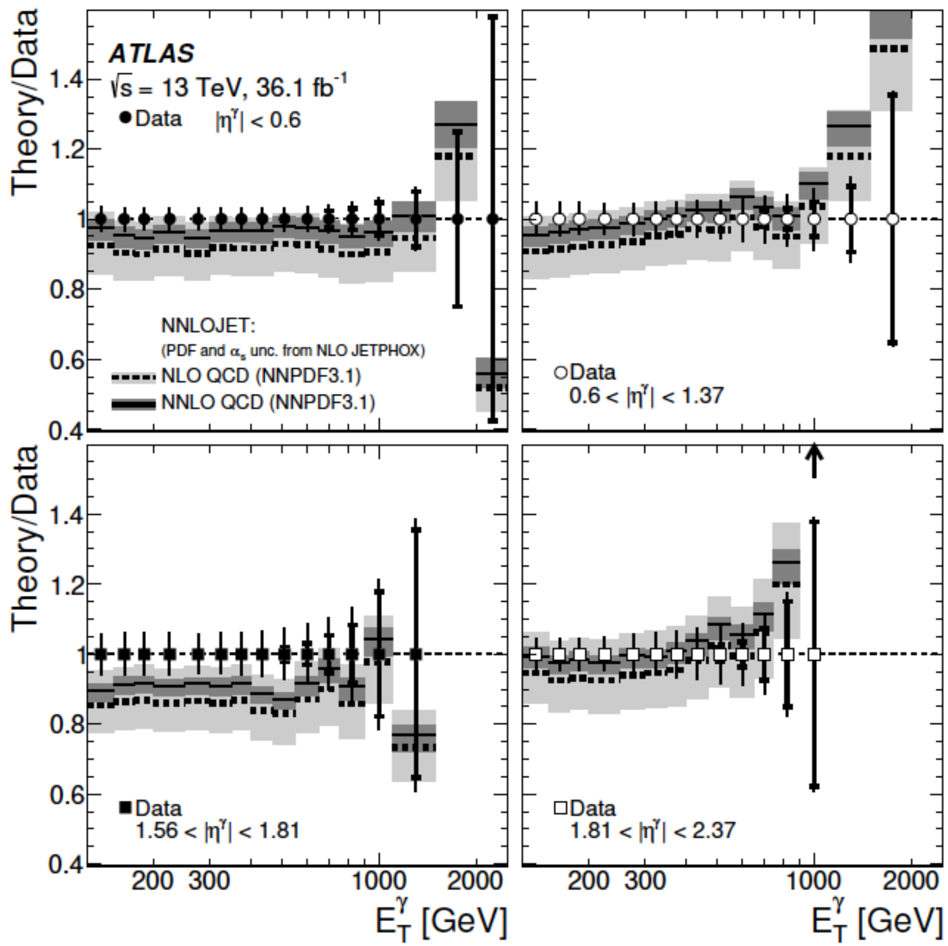
e.g. recent CMS 13 TeV data

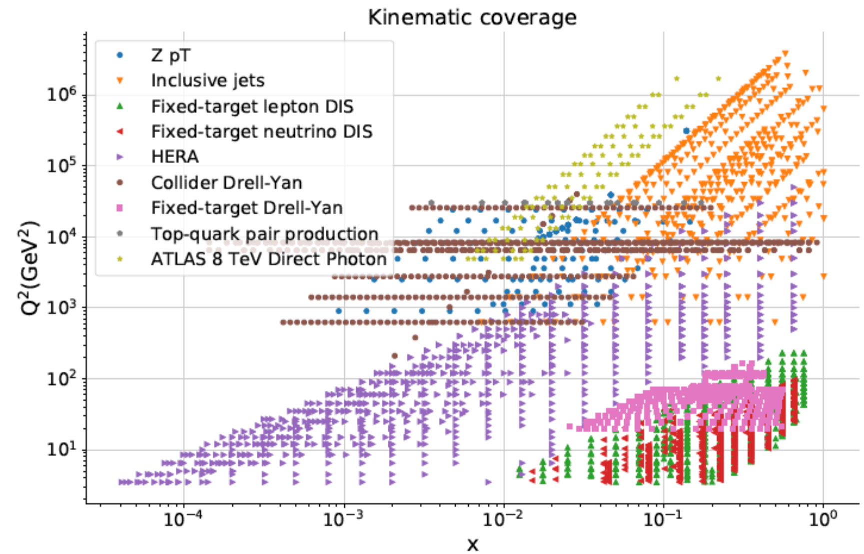
Deviations between PDF sets much smaller than deviation from NLO and theory uncertainty band

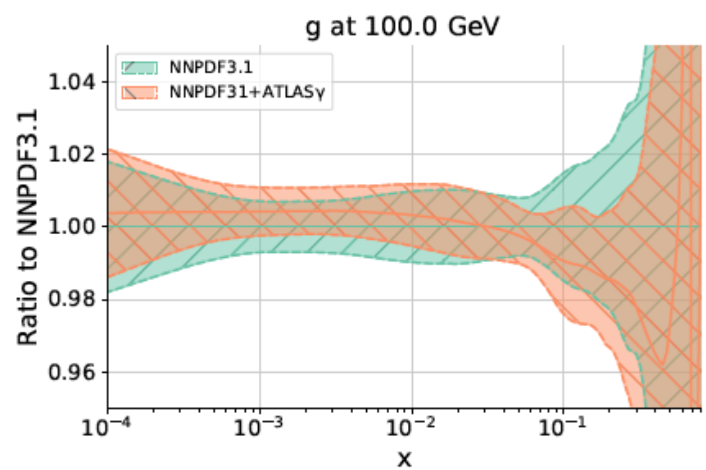
(this is highish x)

ATLAS Direct Photons and NNLO

NNLO scale variation uncertainties much reduced and agreement with data improves







- Still $E_T(\gamma)$ > 125 GeV → sensitivity is at high x >~ 10^{-2}
- Extend to lower values? - Issues with isolation / γ from frag?)

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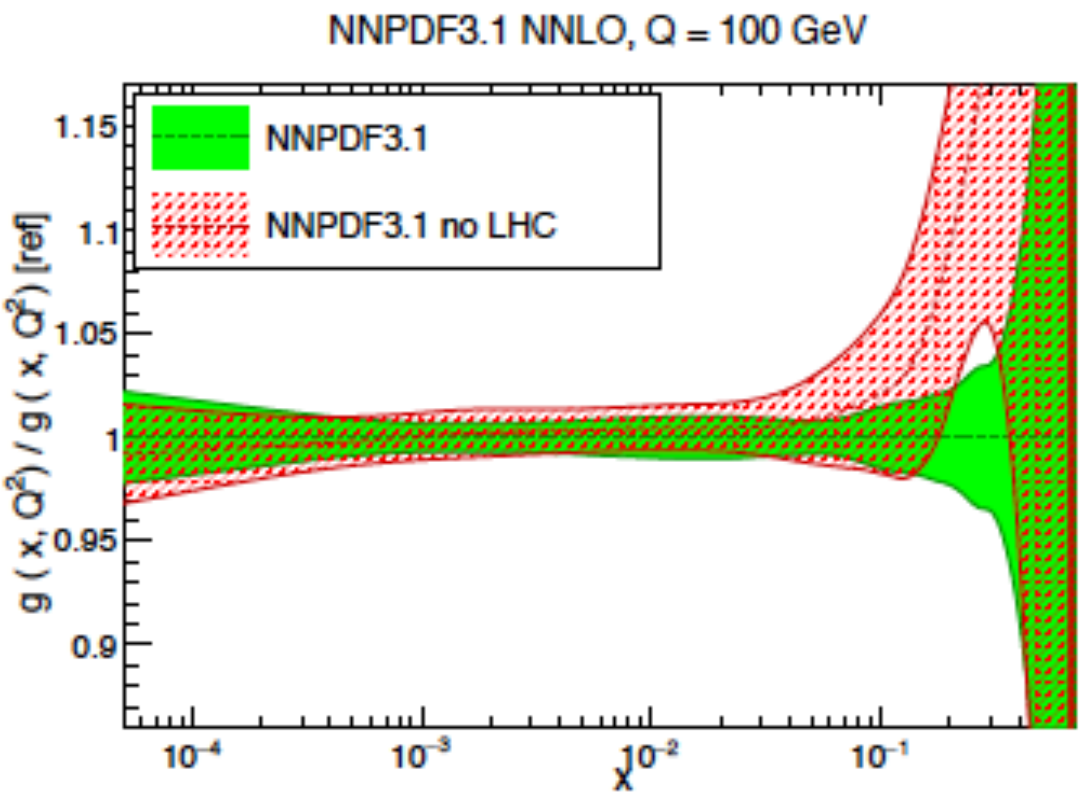
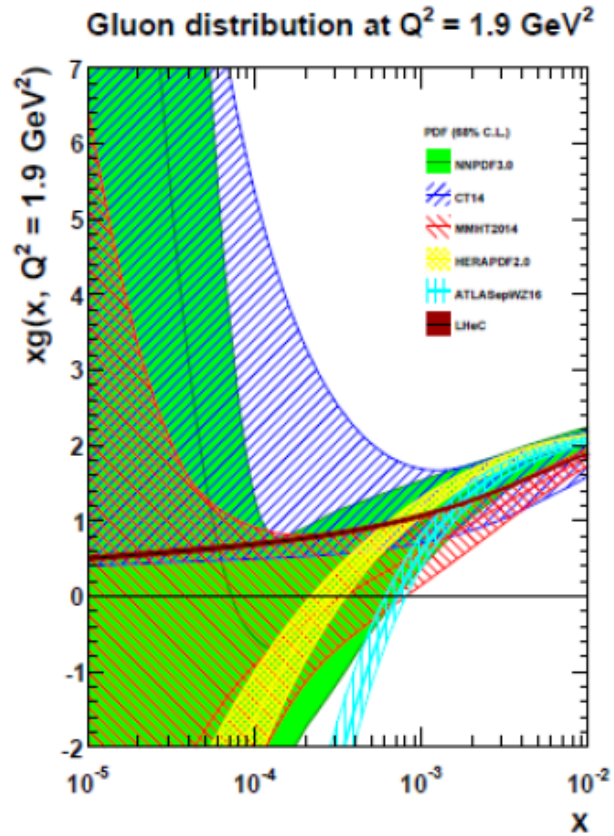




- (Mainstream) LHC data don’t extend (much) below 10^{-3}
- Current knowledge basically still comes from HERA

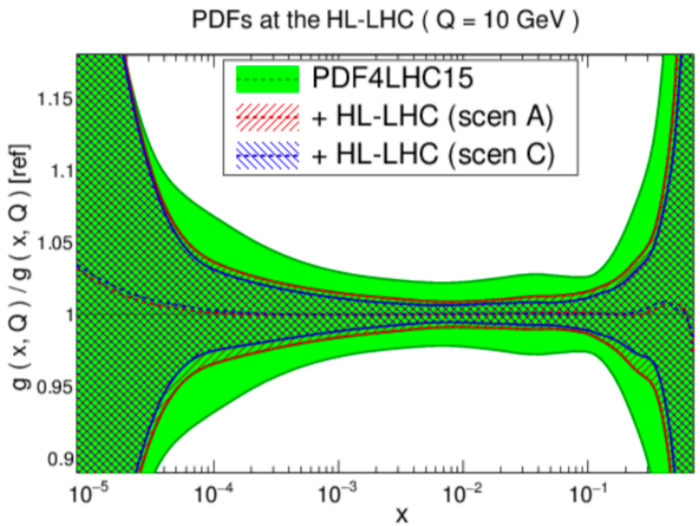
- Is there really no direct probe of gluon at lower x with well-controlled theory?...

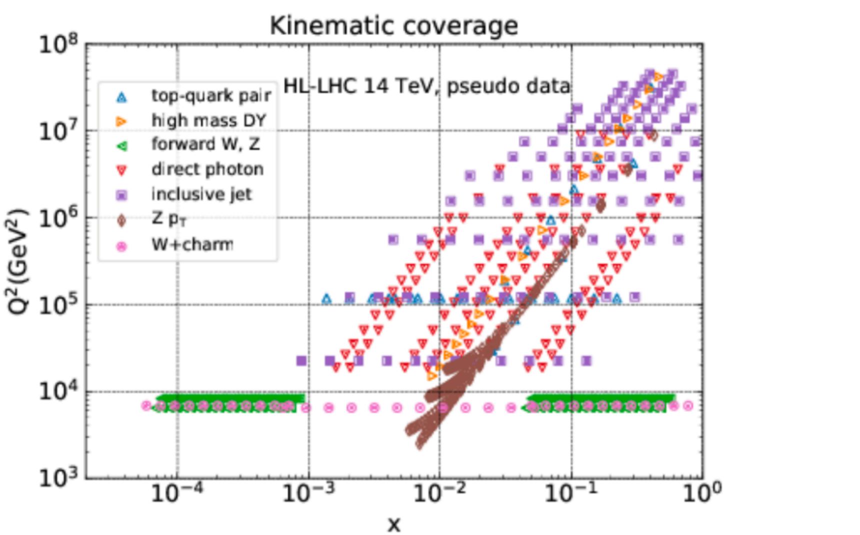
Can we Expect More from Mainstream LHC?

- With pile-up ever increasing (→ 200 at HL-LHC), systematics on 'standard candle' measurements unlikely to improve dramatically

- Kinematic range issues could be addressed with dedicated low p_T running and forward focus, but requires lots of work to reach good level of understanding and change of culture (always tensioned against loss of luminosity for searches etc)

- HL-LHC projections in optimistic scenarios suggest some limited further improvement down to $x \sim 10^{-4}$ by end of LHC era

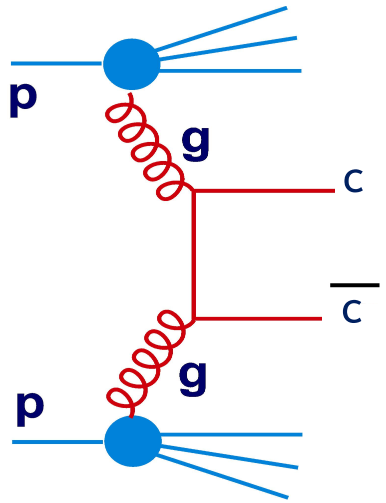




New Observables? - Gluons from Charm

- Exclusive production of D mesons is dominated by gg → ccbar

- Scale set by charm mass / p_T → LHC data at large rapidity are potentially highly sensitive to gluon



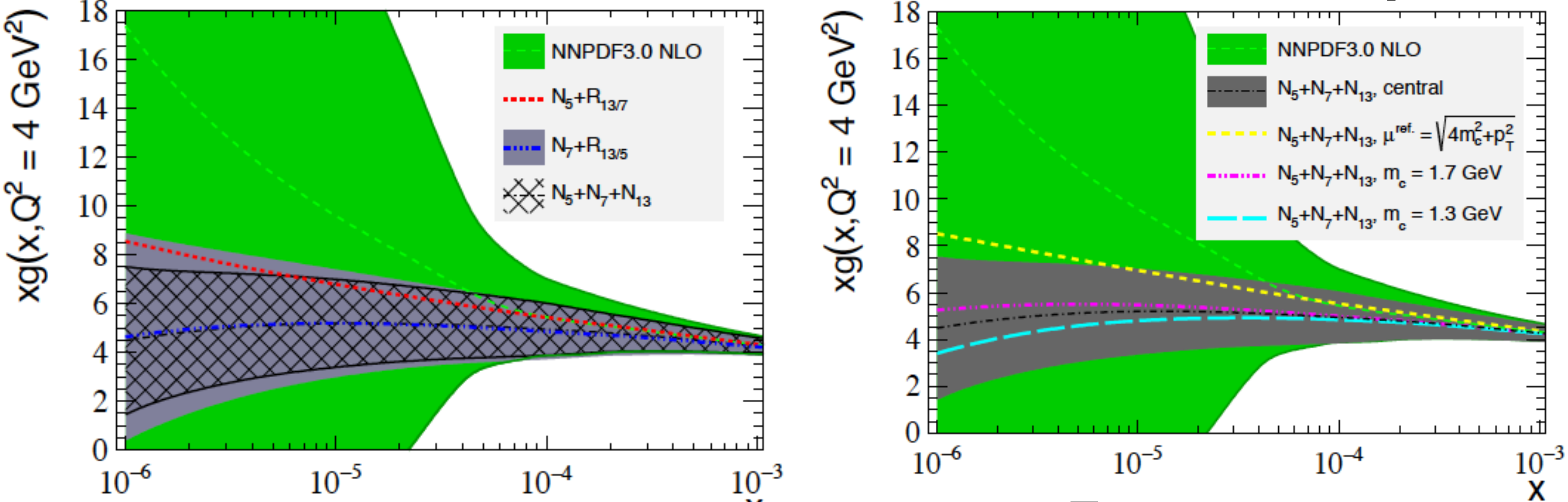
- Limited by charm cross section precision (exclusive D-meson reconstruction or inclusive secondary vertex tagging)

- Theory is NLO and subject to fragmentation uncertatinty
→ Partially offset by use of normalized distributions and ratios of results from different CMS energies

- Hard to do in ATLAS and CMS due to trigger thresholds, but fairly mainstream at LHCb

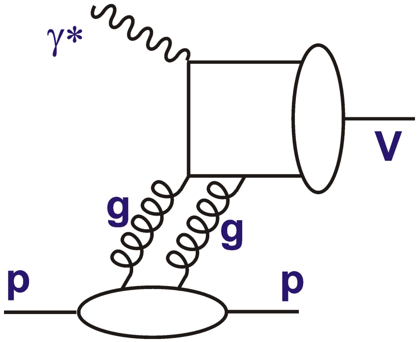
Study of Impact of Published LHCb D mesons

[Gauld + Rojo]



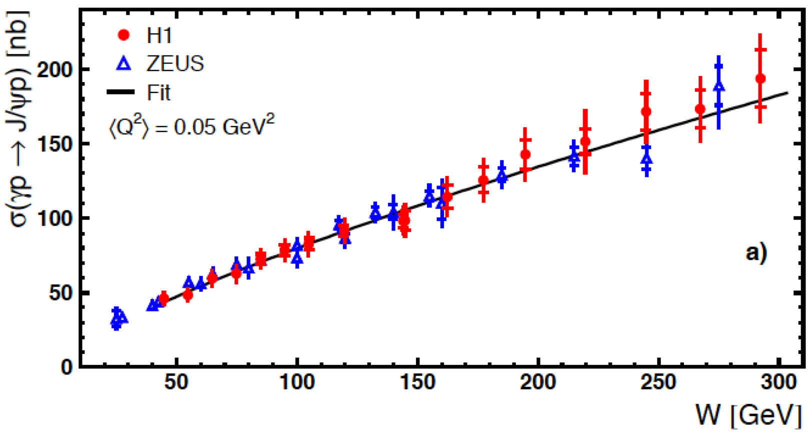
- N5 + N7 + N13 is normalised data from $\sqrt{s}$ = 5, 7 & 13 TeV
- Remarkable impact!
- Reasonable stability w.r.t. theory parameter variation
- "A future analysis at NNLO would be desirable"
- Are experimental issues fully under control?

Ultra-peripheral J/Ψ (Photo)-Production



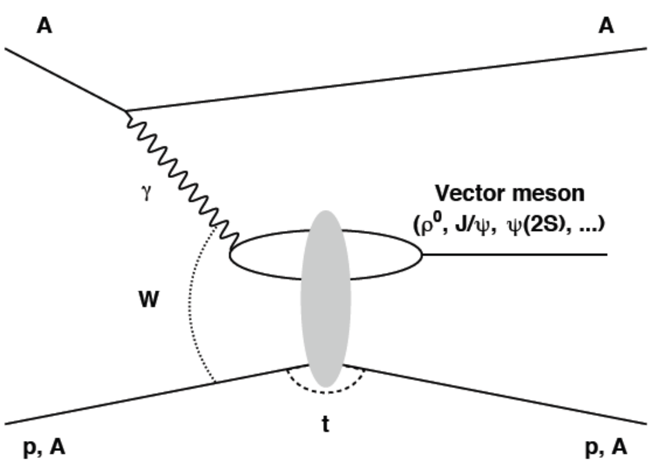
- [Low-Nussinov] interpretation as 2 gluon exchange enhances sensitivity to low x gluon (at least for exclusives)

- Long studied in ep at HERA including unfolding σ_T, σ_L …

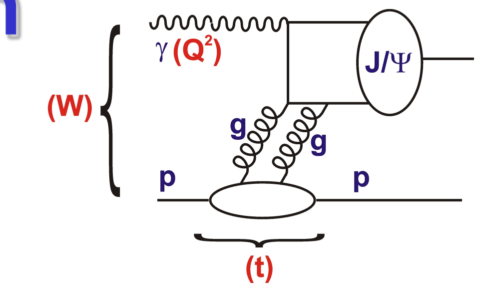


- LHC contributes via ultraperipheral collisions, which are also driven by photon exchange

- pA collisions are best-suited due to massively enhanced γ coupling to high Z nucleus



Attractions of J/Ψ Photoproduction



• Clean experimental signature (just 2 leptons)
→ good data from HERA and LHC!

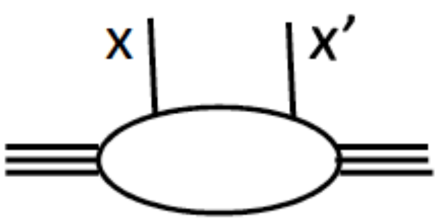
• Scale $Q^2 \sim (Q^2 + M_V^2) / 4 \;>\sim 3\ \text{GeV}^2$ ideally suited to reaching lowest possible x whilst remaining in perturbative regime

… eg LHC reach extends to: $x_g \sim (Q^2 + M_V^2) / (Q^2 + W^2) \sim 10^{-5}$

Difficulties with J/Ψ Photoproduction

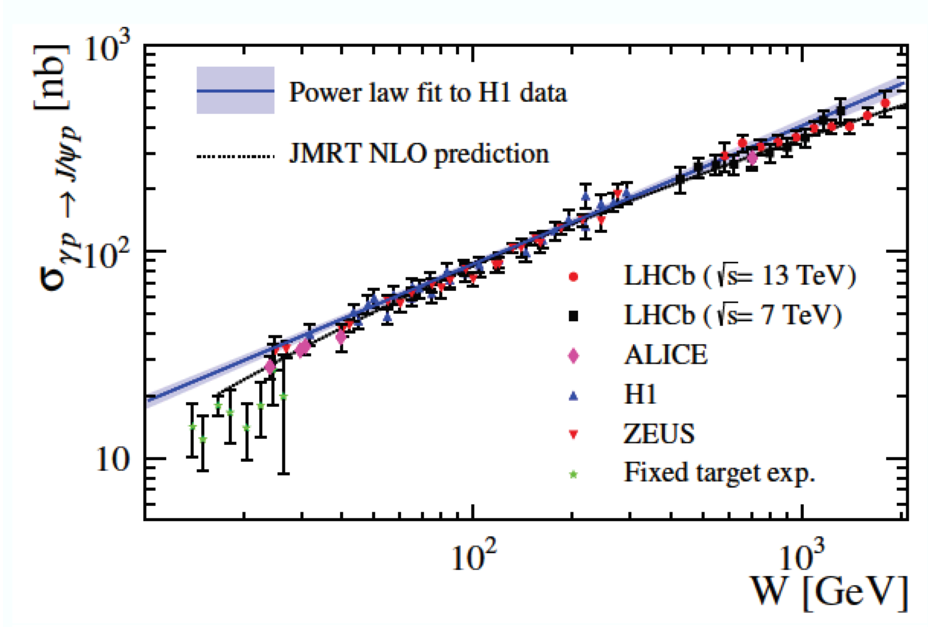
• Vector meson wavefuction

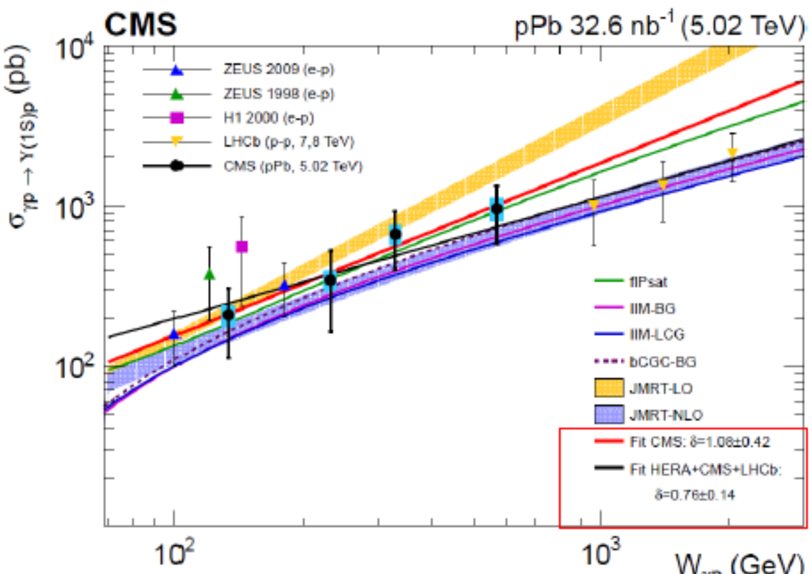
• Process requires GPDs (OK for x' << x << 1, but theoretically not at same level)

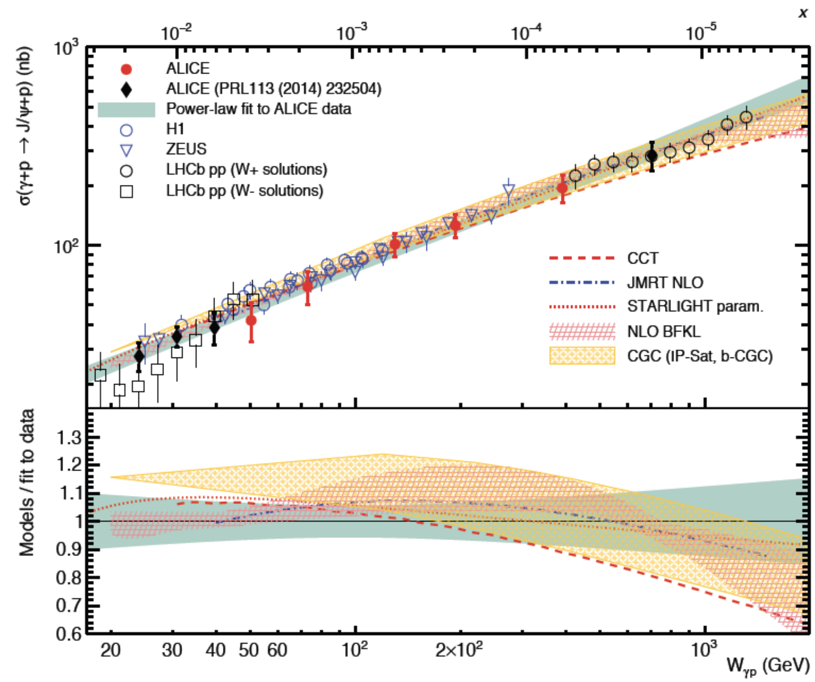


• Large scale uncertainties in collinear factorization approach (NLO v LO convergence)

Ultraperipheral J/Ψ Latest from LHC

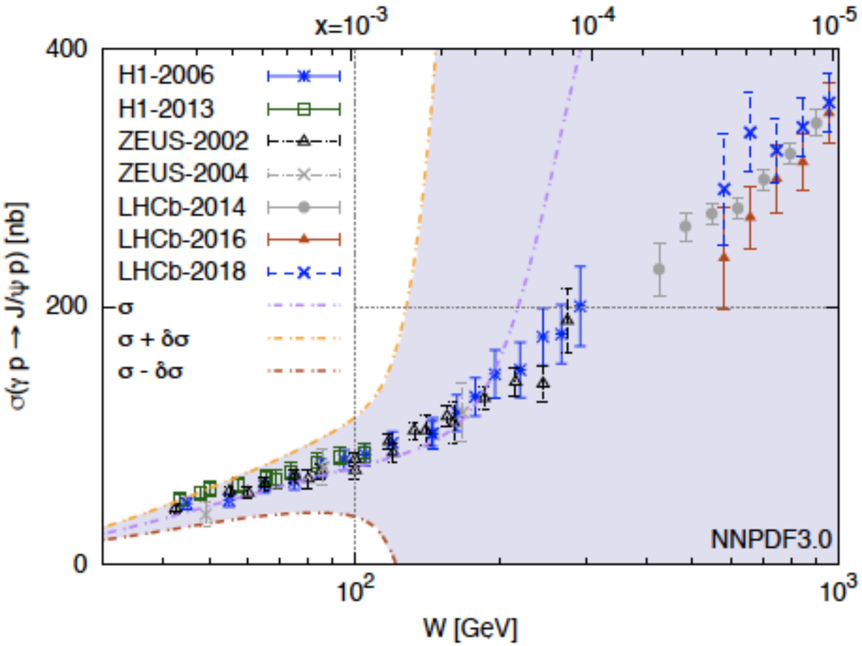






- JMRT NLO gives excellent 'out-of-box' prediction (k_T fac^n)
- There is power to add to these data

Interpretation in JMRT

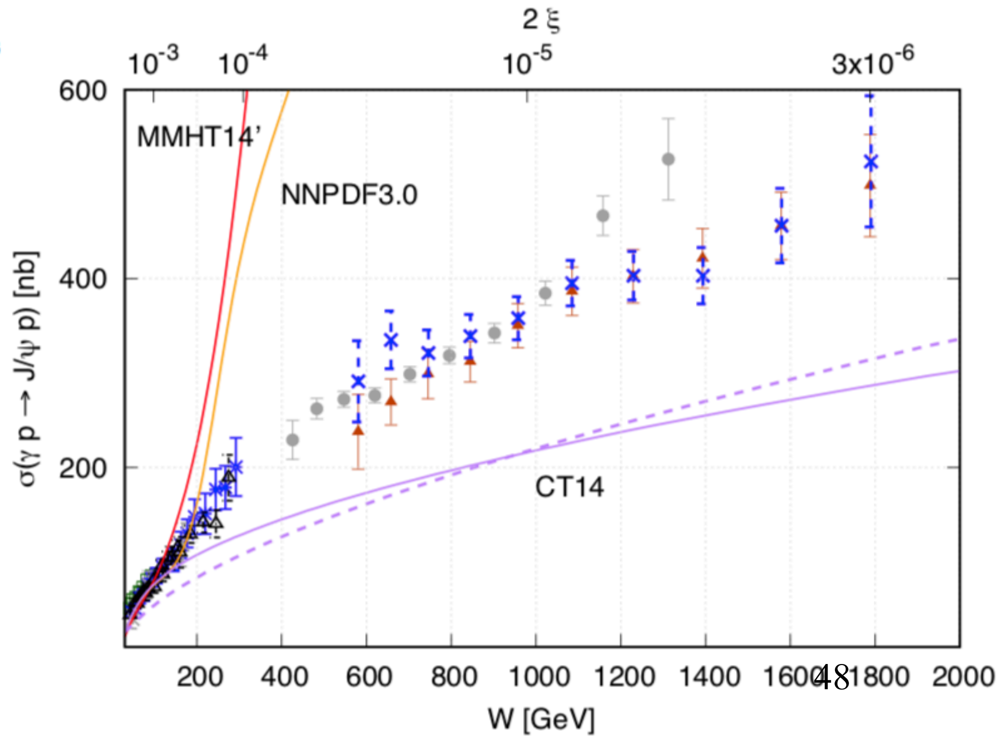


- JMRT k_T factorization model (attempts to) overcome scale problems etc → see recent Flett et al. paper

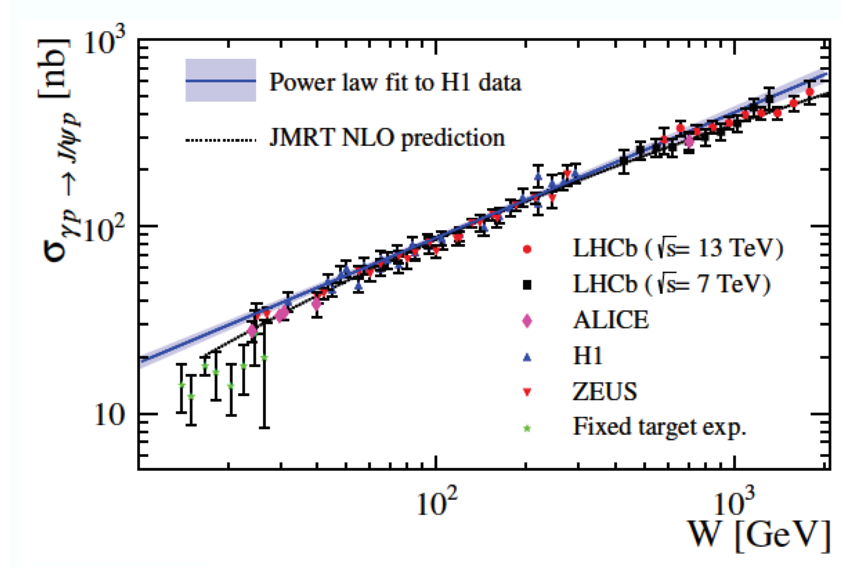
- Data uncertainties much smaller than PDF theory uncert's (band)

- Remarkable sensitivity to choice of PDF

- Not well established theoretically, but surely worth pursuing!

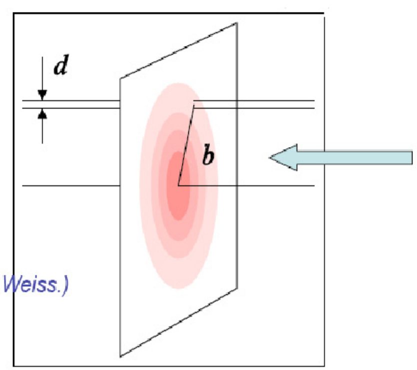


Any evidence for Saturation?



- No clear evidence in exclusive J/Ψ photoproduction for deviation from monatomic rise with increasing W (decreasing x).

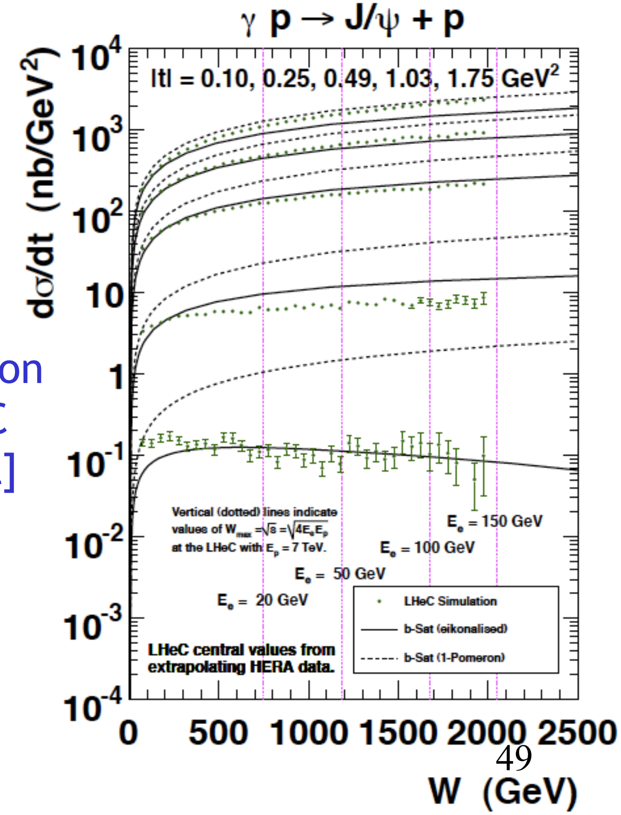
- Additional variable t gives access to impact parameter (b) dependent amplitudes



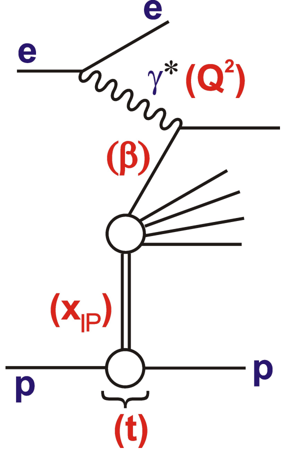
(figure from C. Weiss.)

Central black region growing with decrease of x.

[Simulation in LHeC Context]

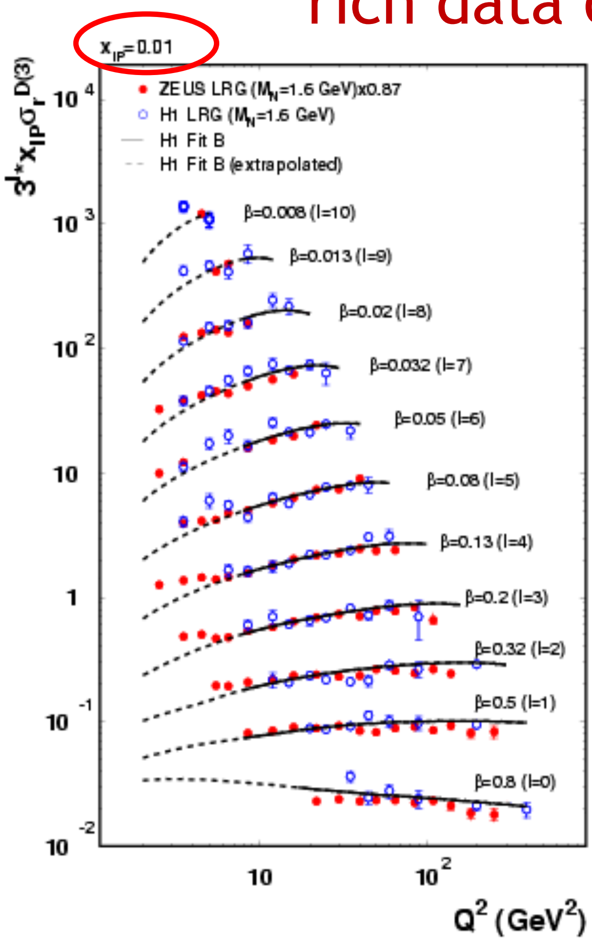


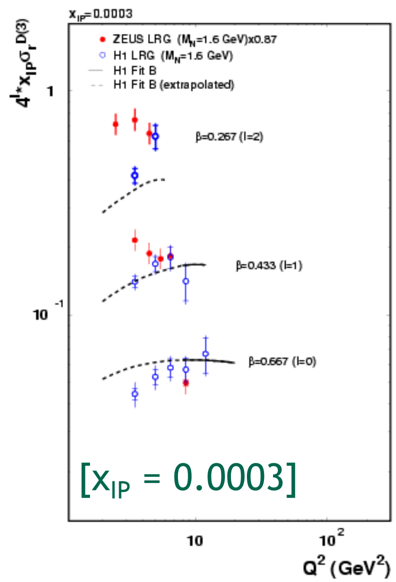
- … can in principle be studied at LHC …

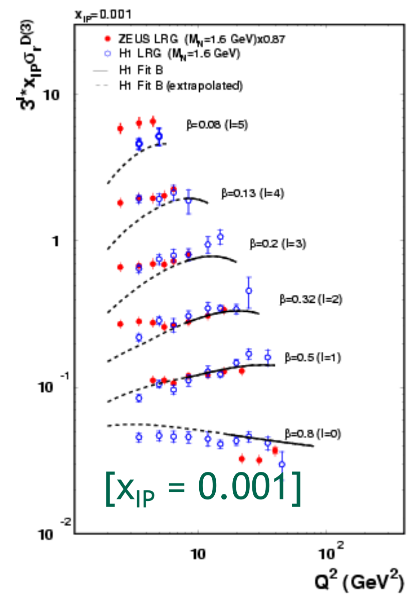


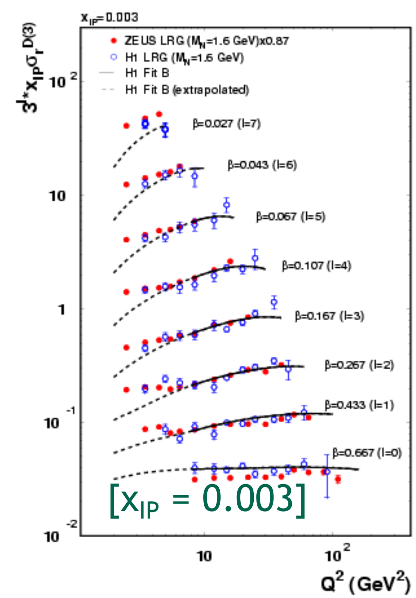
Inclusive Diffraction at HERA and Semi-Inclusive (Diffractive) PDFs

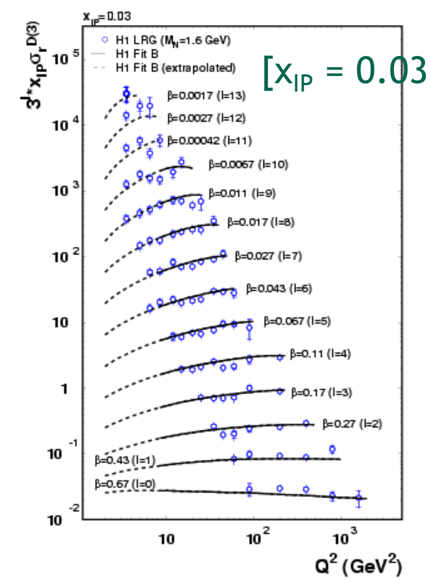
- Leading twist and ~10% of total x-sec
- Huge topic with rich data outputs



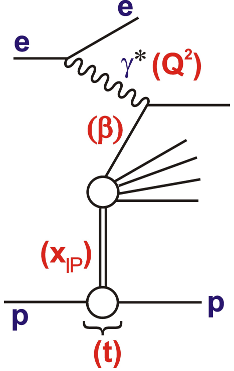




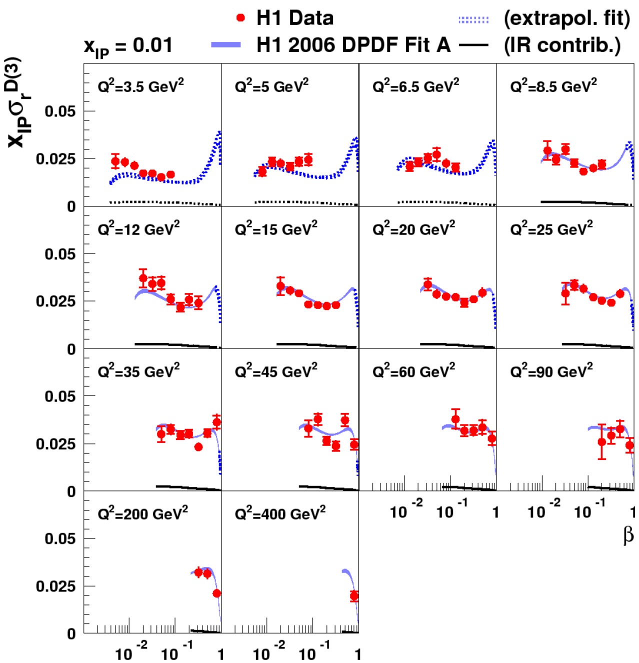


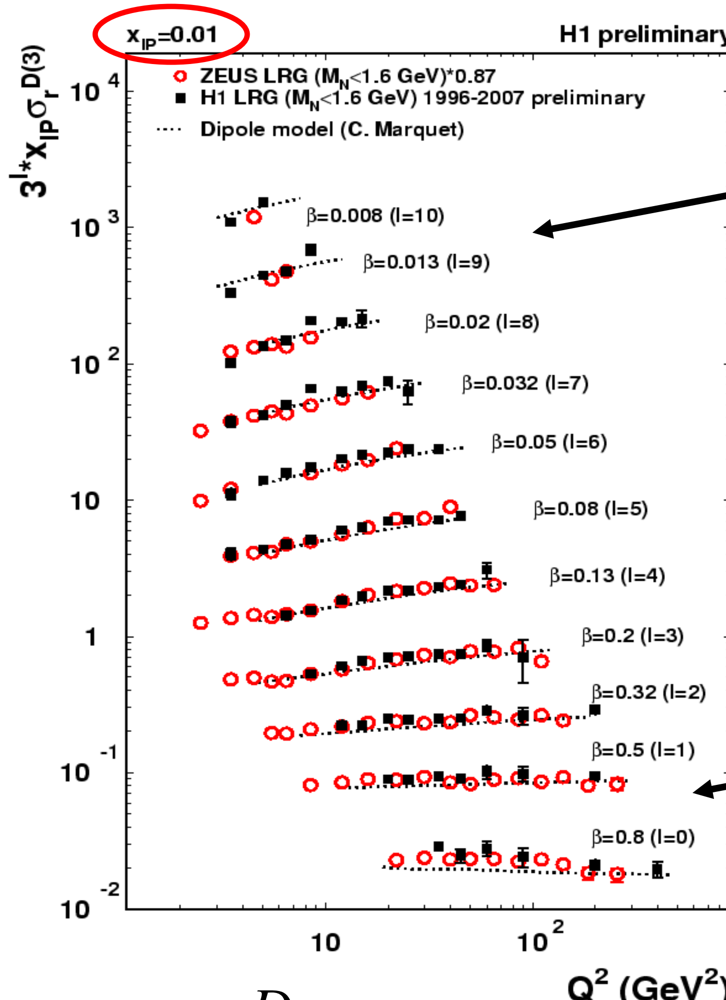


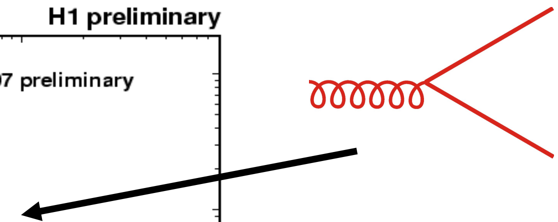
Sensitivity to Diffractive Quarks & Gluons



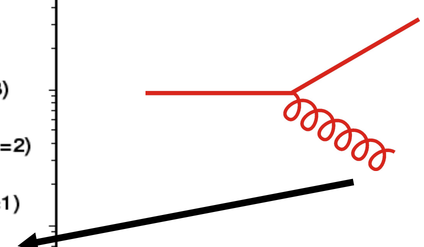
Similarly to Inclusive DIS ...







Q^2 dependence tells us gluon density via DGLAP eqns

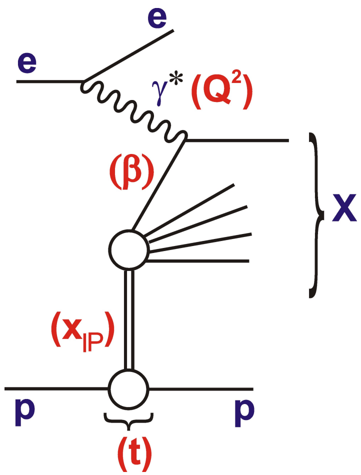


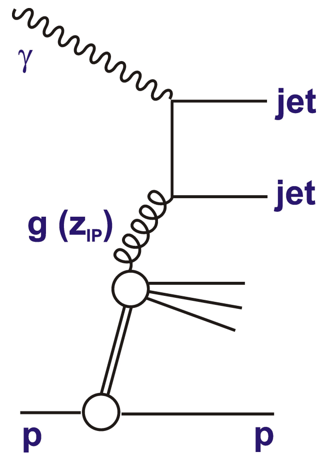
Diffractive cross section measures quark density

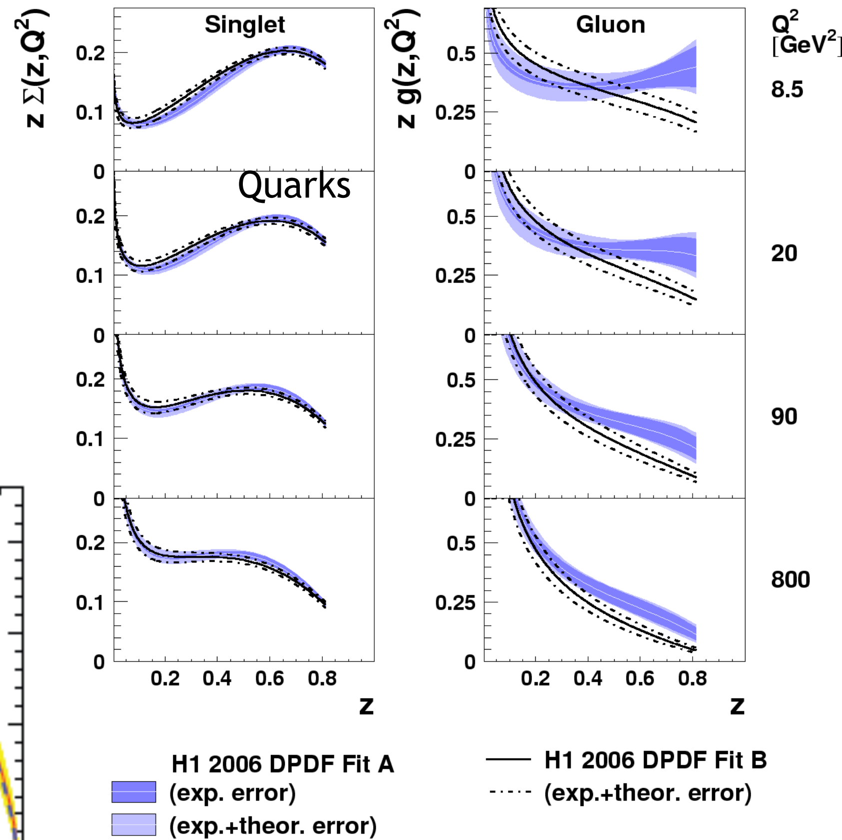
$$F_2^D = \sum_q e_q^2 \, \beta \, (q + \bar{q})$$

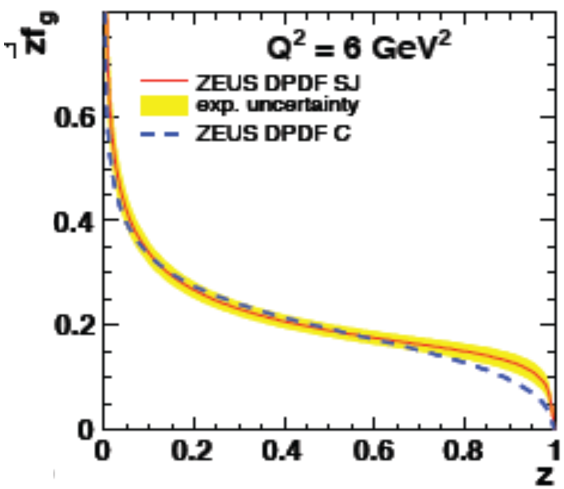
$$\frac{d\sigma_r^D}{d\ln Q^2} \sim \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\left[P_{qg} \otimes g \; + \; P_{qq} \otimes q \right]$$

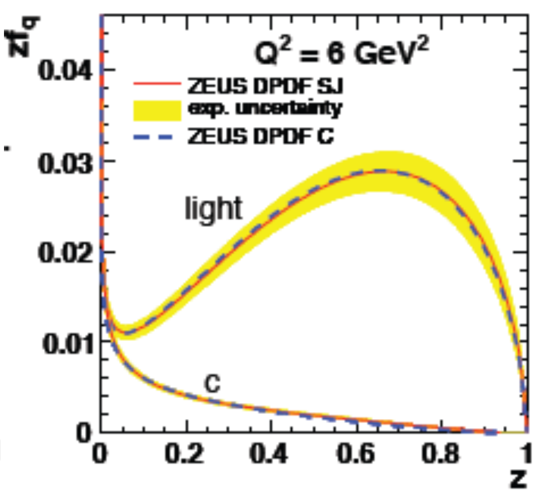
Diffractive Parton Densities (DPDFs)









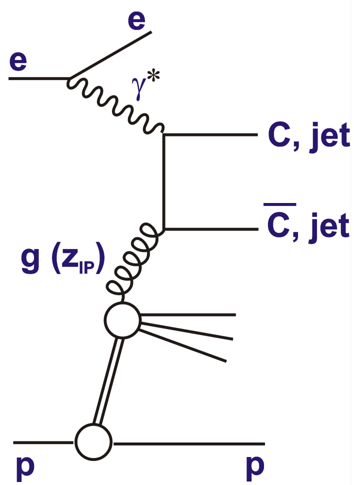


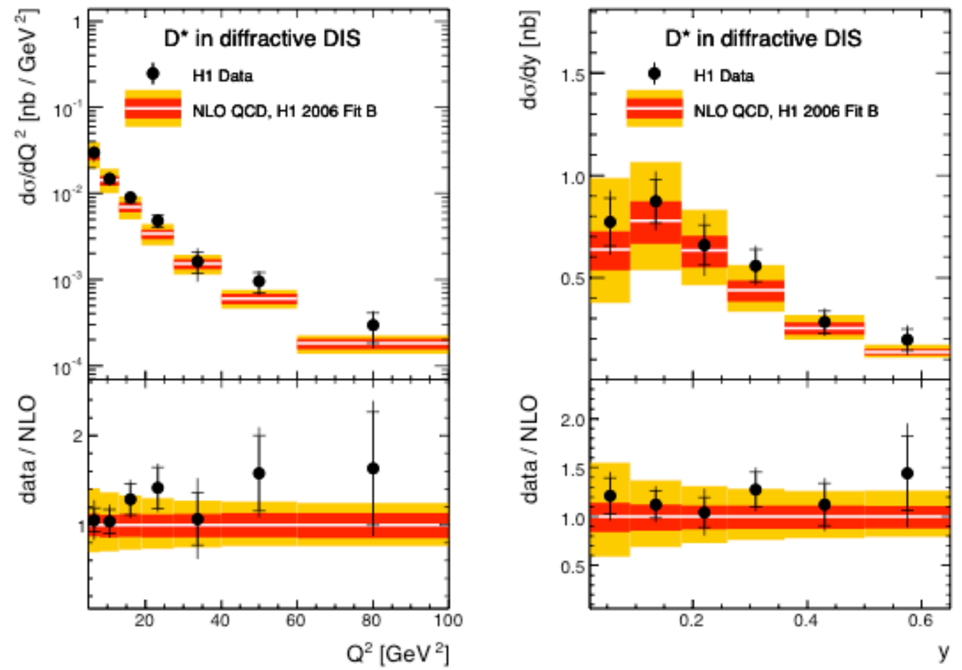
- … DPDFs extracted from HERA inclusive (F_2^D) data are PDFs, subject to constraint of leading proton (semi-inclusive facⁿ)

- Recently also extracted at NNLO (Khanpour, H1-prelim)

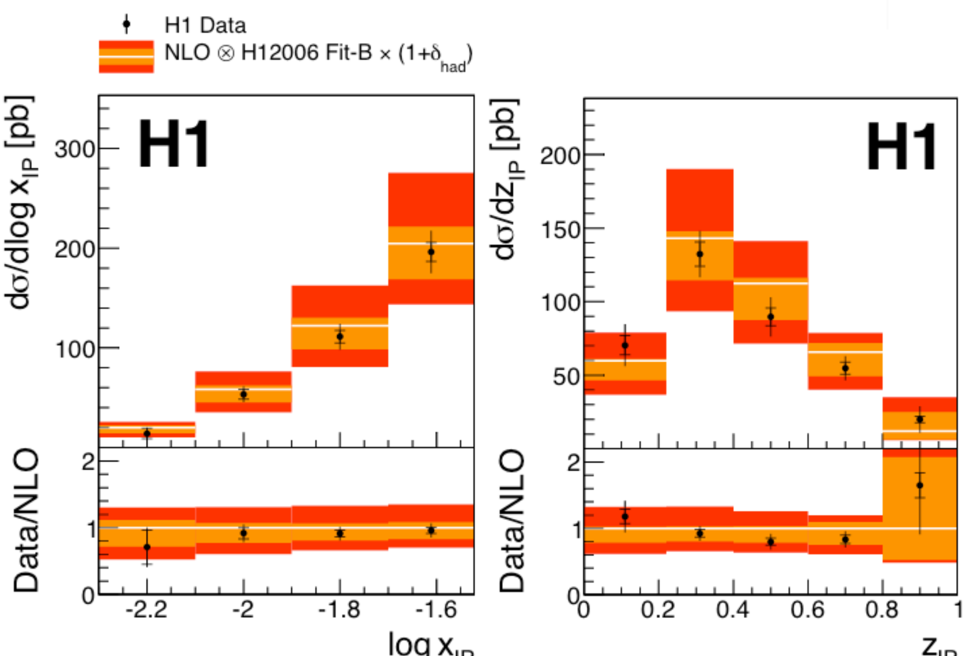
Testing Factorisation; HERA Jets & Charm

Remarkably good description of all variables over a wide kinematic range

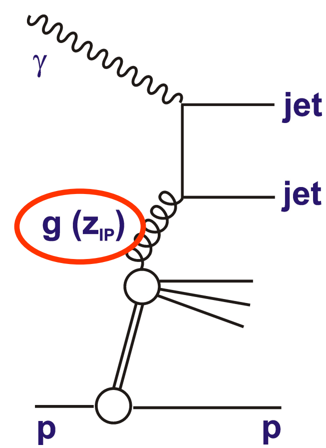




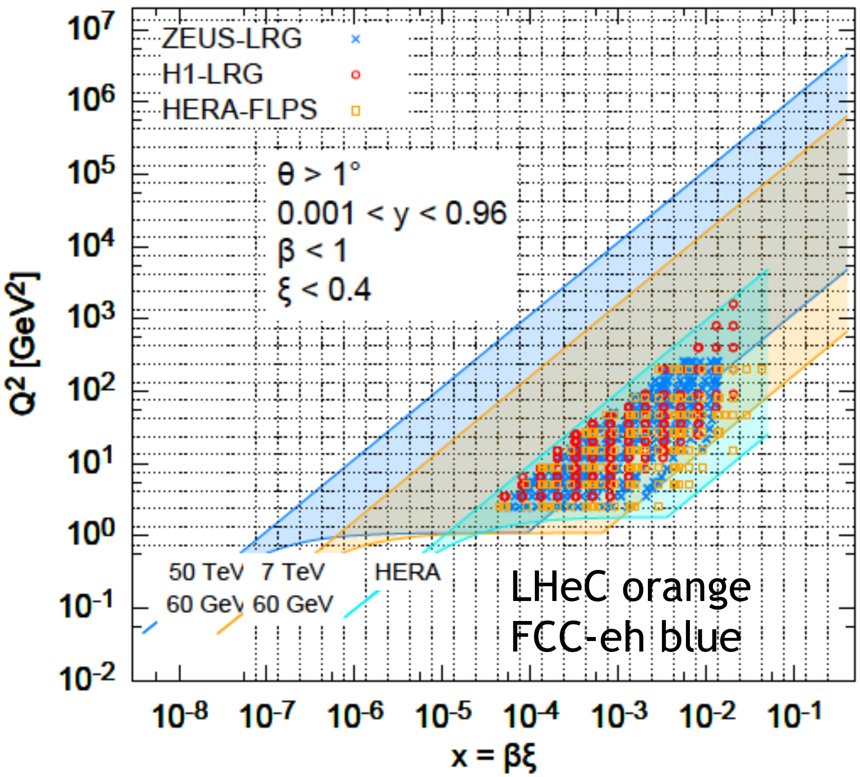
Charm in DIS



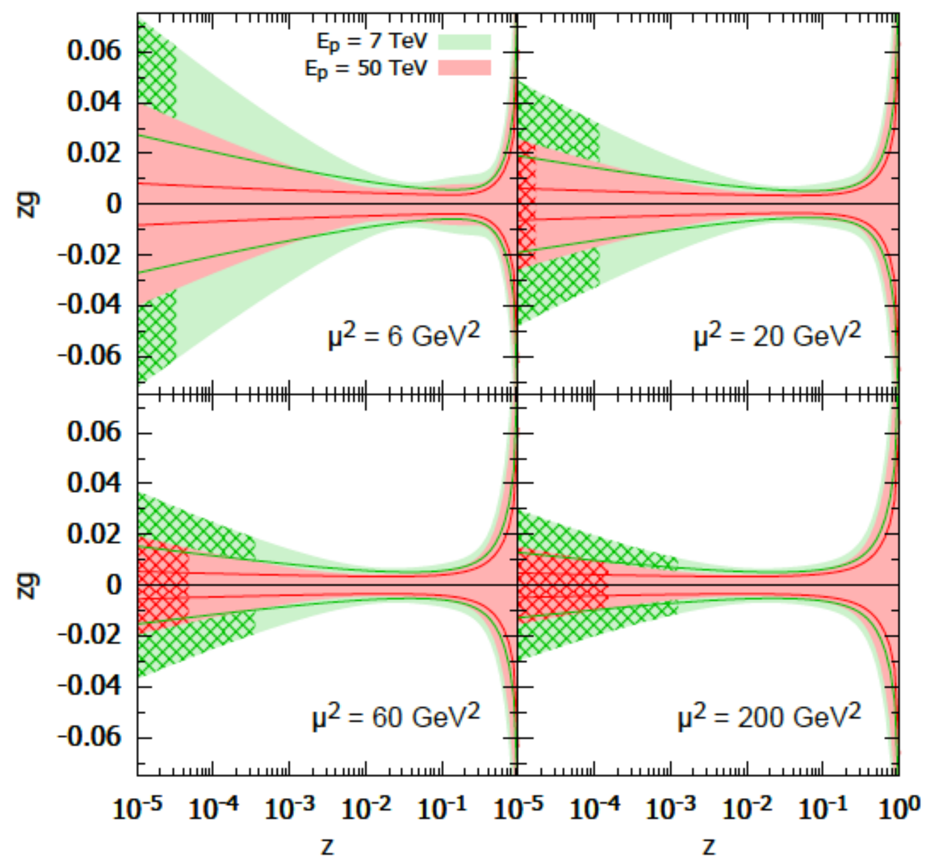
Dijets in DIS



LHeC and FCC-eh would be Transformational

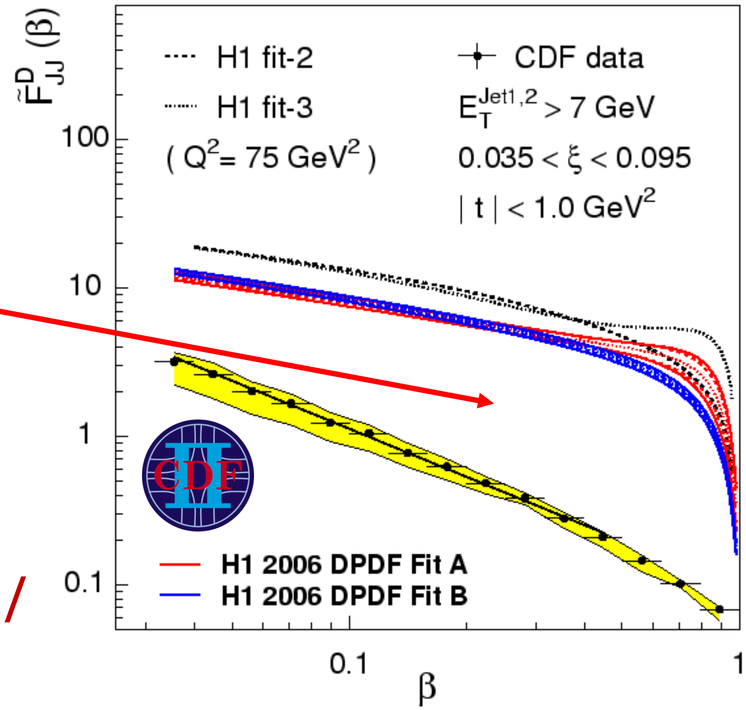


- Fits to simulated LHeC and FCC-eh Neutral Current inclusive diffraction data lead to well-constrained DPDFs down to $\beta=10^{-4}$ – 10^{-5}



- Quark density directly constrained → 2% precision
- Gluon uncertainty propagated from experimental data few %
- Param'n and other theory uncertainties not yet included

… but in pp(bar)

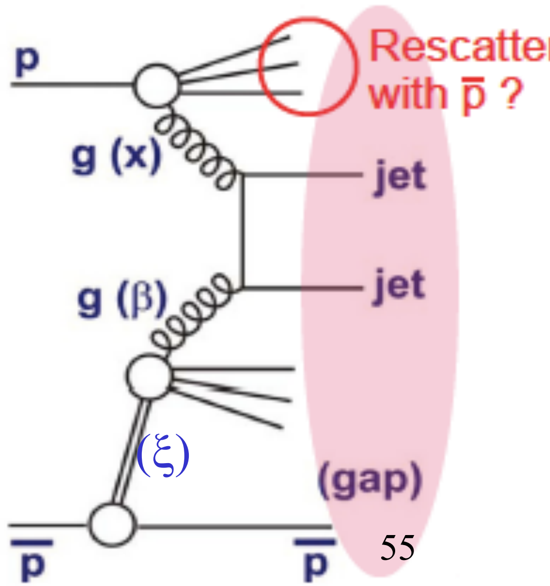


Spectacular failure in comparison of Tevatron proton-tagged diffractive dijets with HERA DPDFs [PRL 84 (2000) 5043]

… rescattering (absorptive corrections / related to Multi Parton Interactions …) breaks factorisation …

`*rapidity gap survival probability*' ~ 0.1

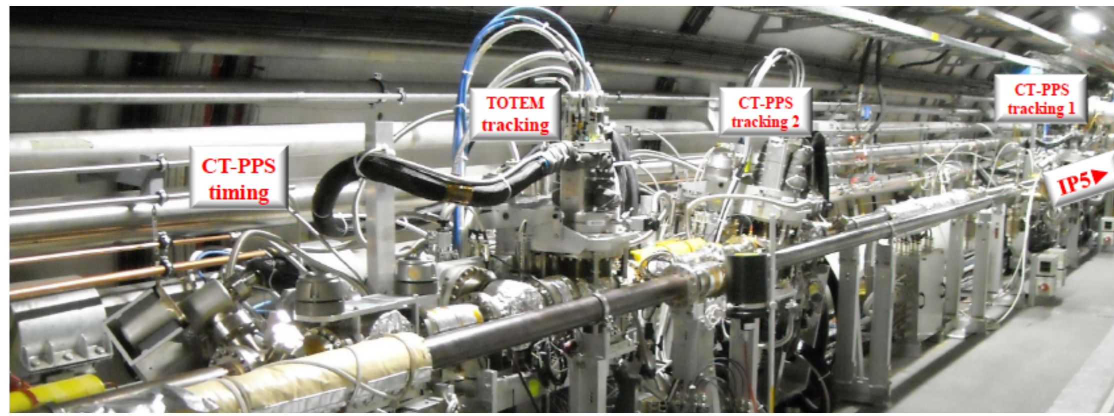
Gap survival probability needs to be understood to interpret all LHC hard diffraction data.

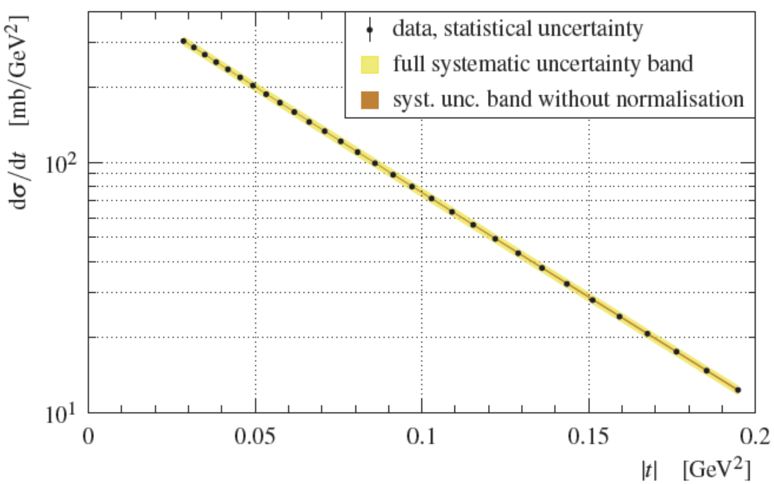


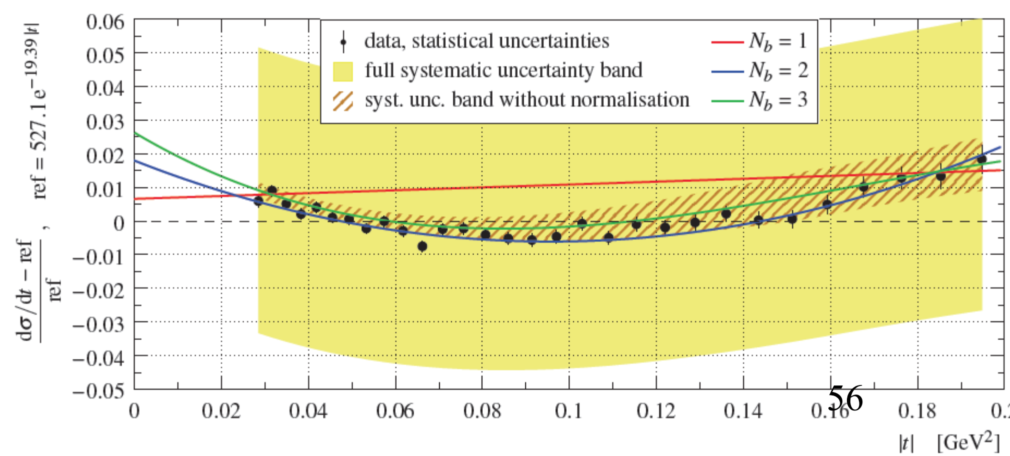
Diffraction at LHC: Proton Spectrometers Come of Age

LHC experiments (TOTEM, ALFA@ATLAS) have shown that it's possible to make precision measurements and cover wide kinematic range with Roman pots.

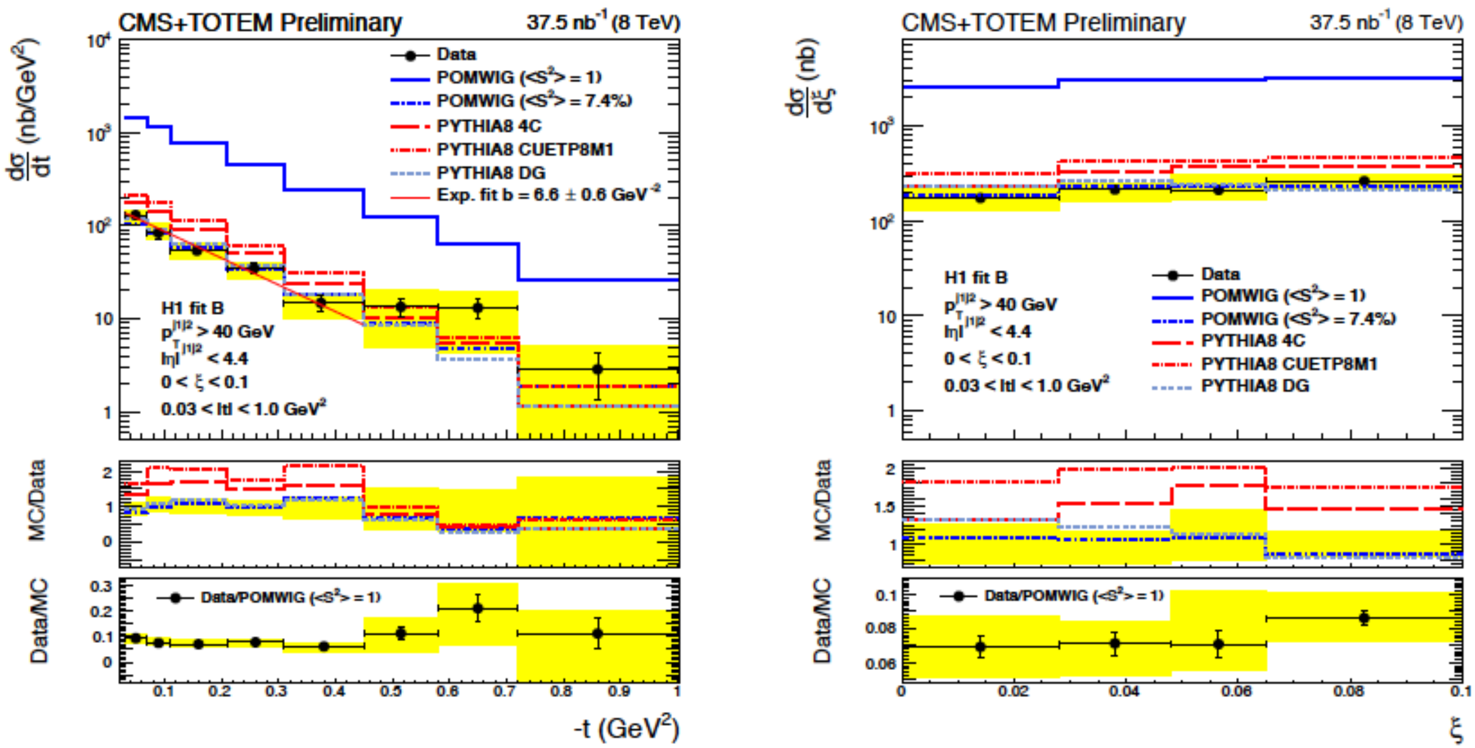
e.g. TOTEM operated 14 pots in 2017, with several at full LHC lumi (~50ps timing and precision tracking detectors) → Sensitivity to subtle new effects eg non-exponential t dep …







Proton-tagged LHC Diffractive Jets

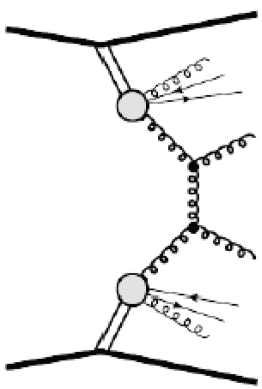


- Proton tagging removes the double dissociation and non-diffractive backgrounds that limited understanding with previous LHC rapidity gap measurements
- Predictions based on HERA DPDFs require <S^2> ~7.4%
- Dynamic Gap Survival Model in PYTHIA (based on Simultaneous description of MPI) reproduces data

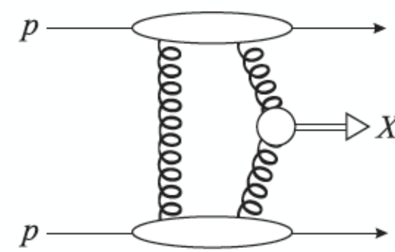
→ Lots more potential here!

Future Diffraction at LHC

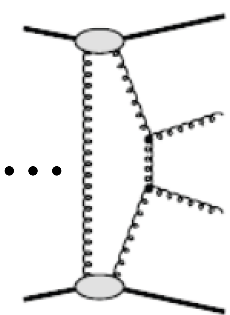
- Most of the future diffractive programme will involve Roman Pot tagging in normal running conditions
- In practice this means we will study double tags (pp→ppX), suppressing pile-up background by constraining interaction vertex using precision timing of protons

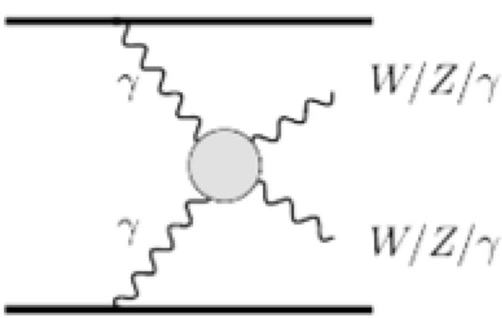


- **Inclusive central production**
pomeron-pomeron hard scattering with jets, HF, W, Z signatures



- **Central Exclusive QCD Production**
of dijets, γ-jet and other strongly produced high mass systems … Higgs?...





- **Two photon physics** → exclusive dileptons, dibosons & anomalous multiple gauge couplings …
[Dominates at large masses]

First P-tagged $\gamma\gamma$ Results

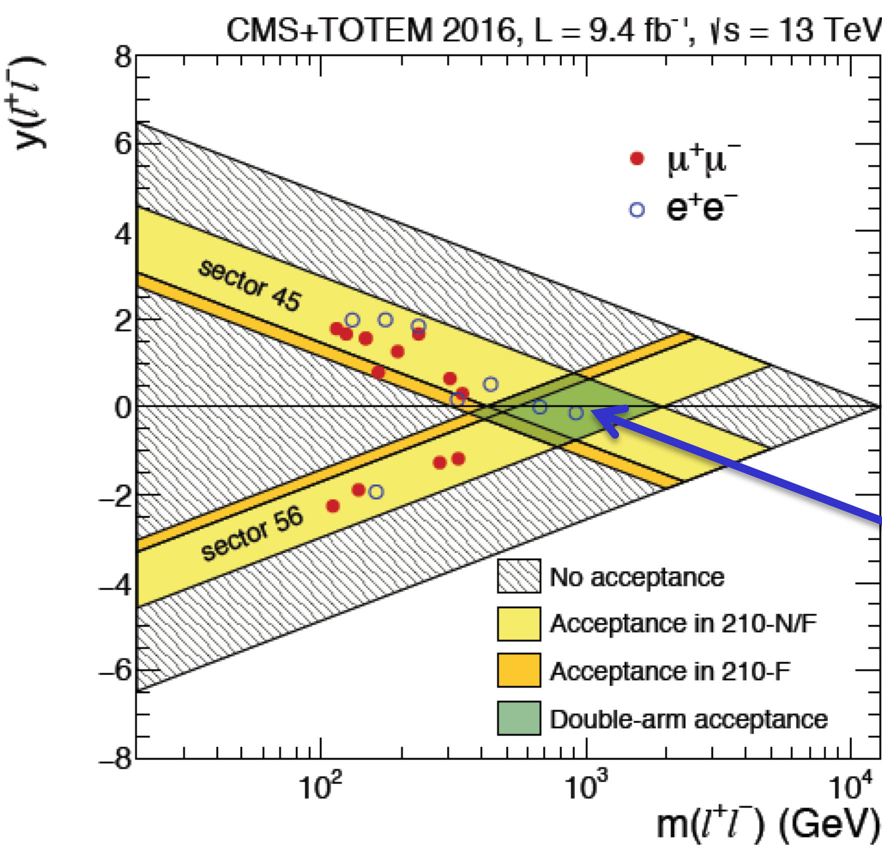
- CT-PPS fully installed from 2016, AFP from 2017
- Total of 110 fb^{-1} accumulated by CT-PPS, 81 fb^{-1} by AFP.

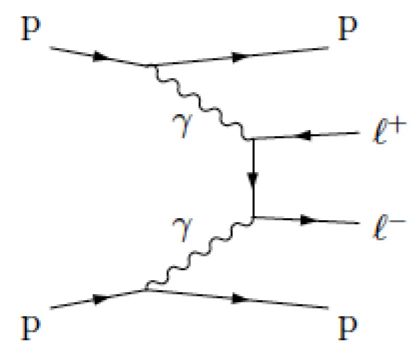
→ Transformational lumi compared with previous Roman pots

→ Commissioning and data understanding ongoing

→ First results obtained (with single tags so far)

$\gamma\gamma$ → ee or $\mu\mu$



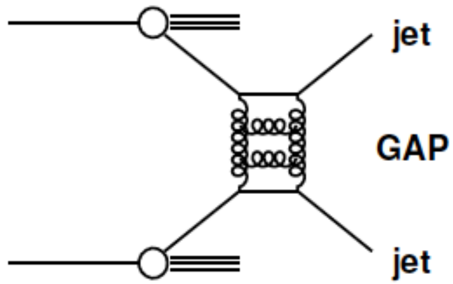


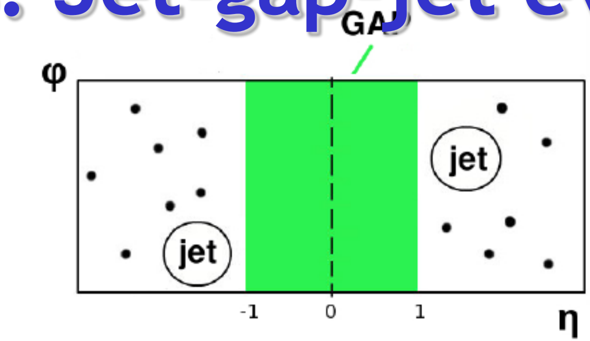
Potential region for double tagging: 350GeV <~ m(ll) <~ 2TeV

5σ observation.

Highest mass m(ee) = 917 GeV

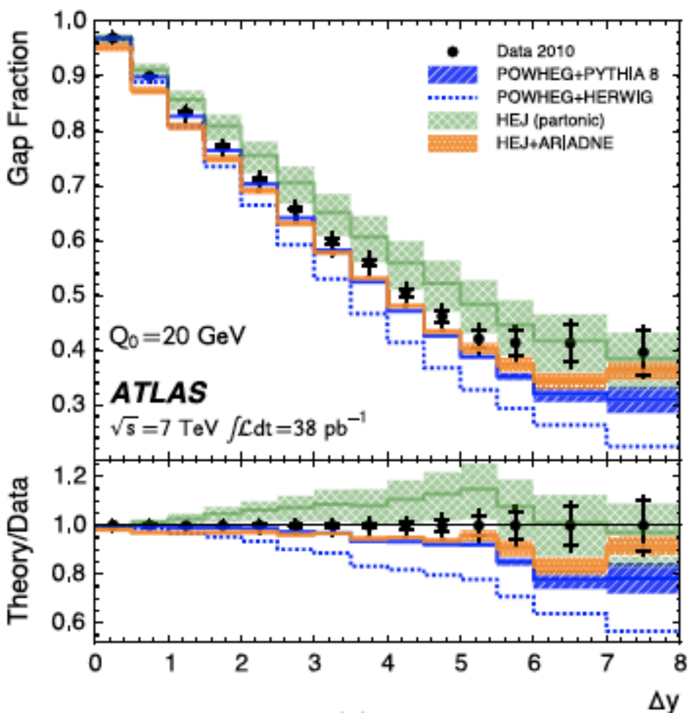
LHC Searches for BFKL Dynamics: Jet-gap-jet events

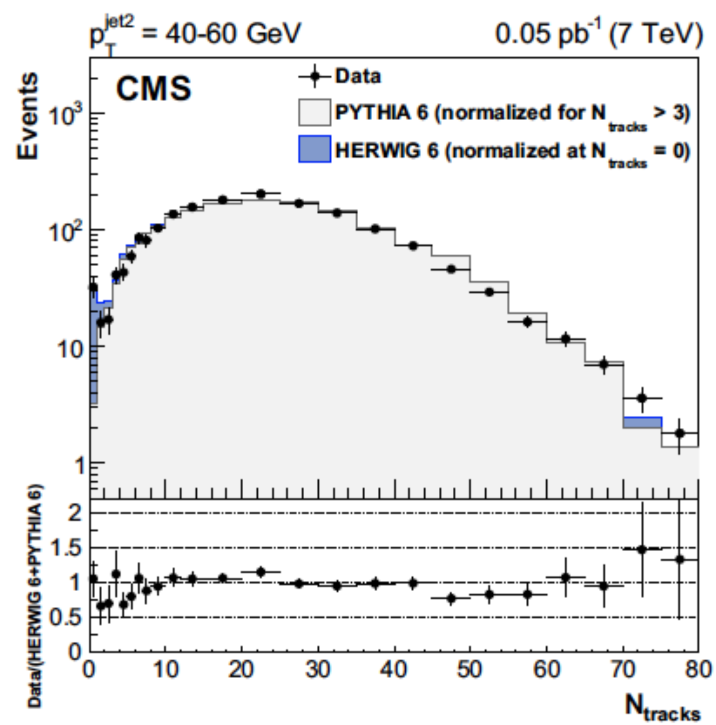




- Gaps between jets are a classic Signature for BFKL dynamics

- Complicated experimentally by difficulty of defining signal, theoretically by rapidity gap survival probability

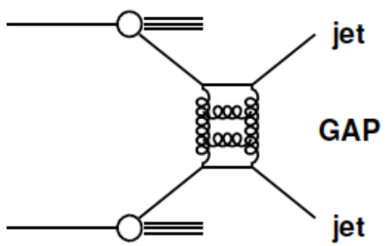


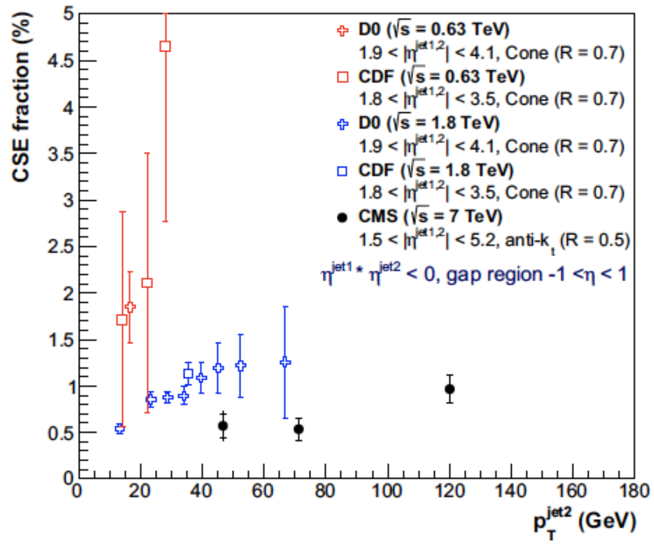


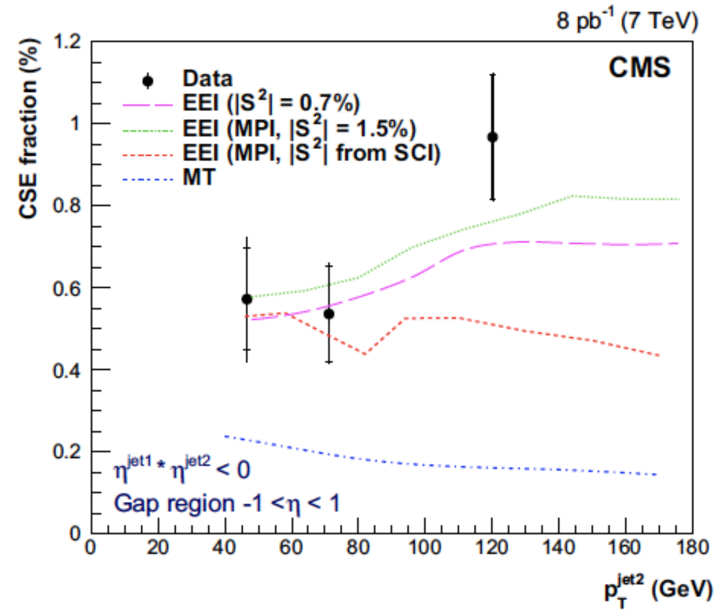
[Tracks with pT > 200 MeV, |η| < 1]

Jet-gap-jet events and BFKL

Clear signal in case where there is no (visible) radiation in gap



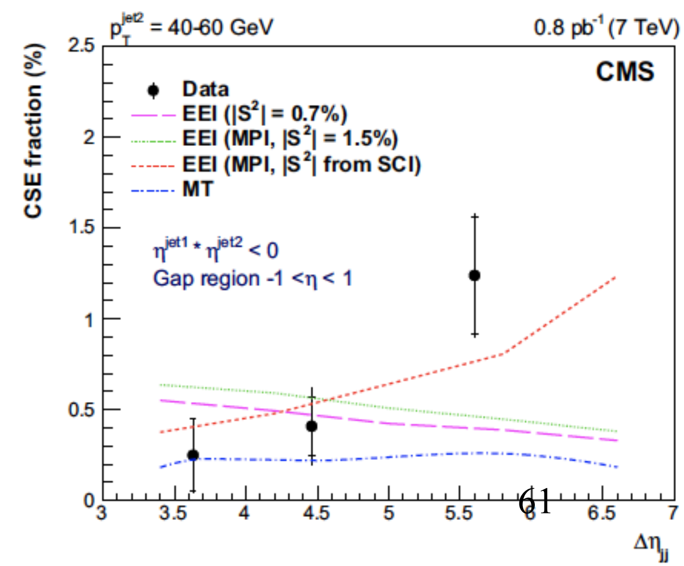




- Comparison with Tevatron shows that gap survival falls with CMS energy

- BFKL-based calculations (EEI and MT) broadly successful with $\langle S^2 \rangle \sim 1\%$, including Dynamic model in PYTHIA

- Not yet a precision activity …



Observables Sensitive to Novel Dynamics

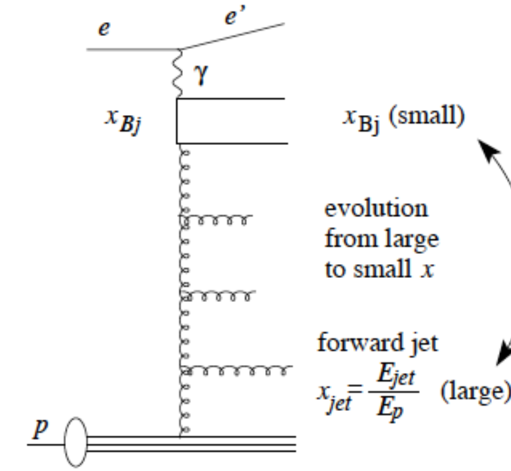
- (Very) forward jet, particle production and energy flow

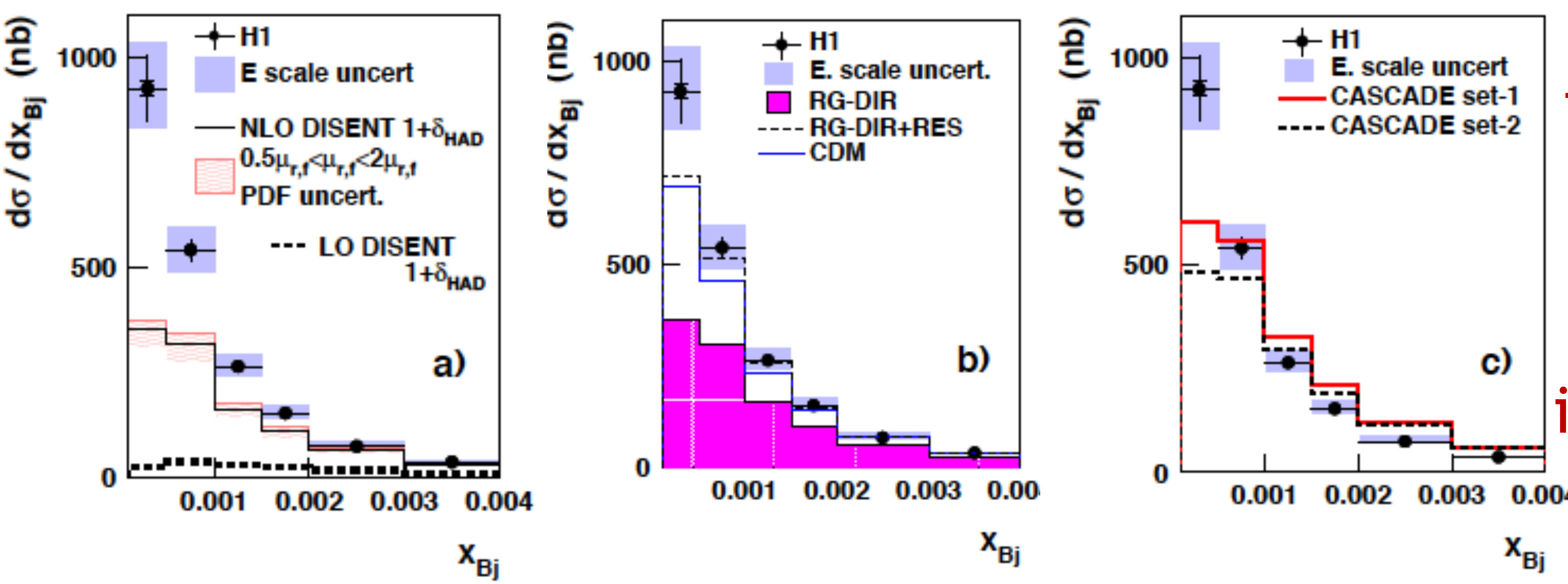
- Mueller-Navelet forward-backward jet pairs

- Azimuthal decorrelations between jets

- Jet broadening

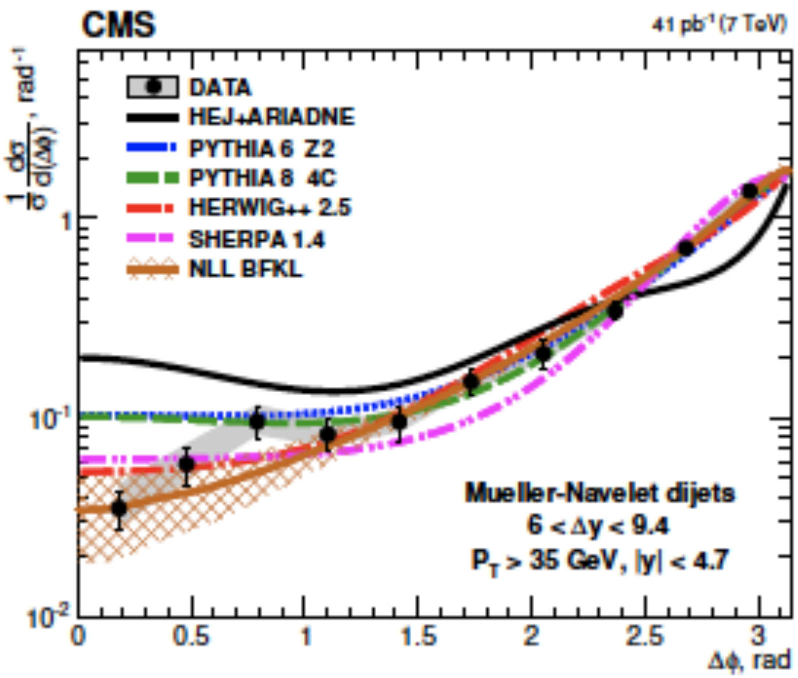
- Correlations / p_T ordering of hadrons



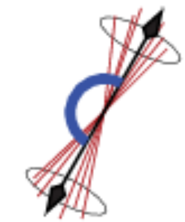


Some interesting effects … not easily interpreted

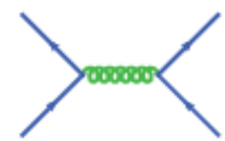
LHC Example combining different signatures: Azimuthal Decorrelations between M-N jets



- Choice of Forward-backward highest E_T jets with comparable energy suppresses phase-space for DGLAP evolution
- Sensitivity enhanced at large azimuthal decorrelation due to multiple emissions



$\Delta\varphi_{dijet} = \pi$



- Jets separated by up to Δy = 9.4 units!
- DGLAP-based models with appropriate tuning (LL parton showers and colour-coherence) can describe data
- LL BFKL model (HEJ) overestimates decorrelations
- Analytic NLL BFKL calculation agrees well with data

→ Will be increasingly interesting at higher CMS energy

Summary

• HERA leaves us with many questions about low x physics

- Implications of fast-rising gluon?
- Novel dynamics?

• While we wait for the next energy frontier DIS facility, can we exploit LHC?

- Current mainstream LHC data have some impact on low x quarks, but little on low x gluon
- Dedicated (big!) effort could address this in some areas
- New observables (charm-related) may be key?

• Diffraction at LHC bearing fruit → opens up new CEP topics?...

Sooner or later, (FCC-hh), 'mainstream' will have to move to lower x …

[Sincere apologies for the many topics that I omitted and for the lack of accreditation of work taken from elsewhere … if only there were more time!]