

# PDF dependence of *W/Z* cross sections and lepton charge asymmetry at the LHC

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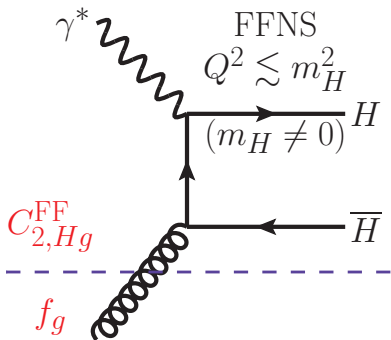
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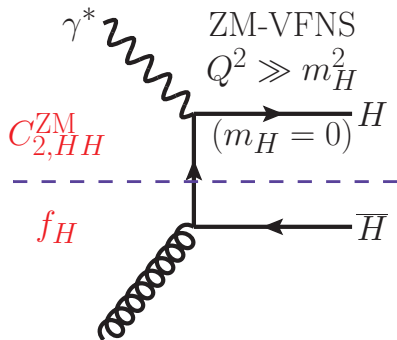
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# Heavy quark contribution to DIS structure function $F_2$



Fixed flavour number scheme



Zero-mass variable flavour number scheme

- $\sigma_{W,Z}$  at LHC sensitive to light quark PDFs at  $x \sim 0.01$  determined from HERA  $F_2(x, Q^2)$  data with significant  $F_2^{\text{charm}}$ .
- **General-mass variable flavour number scheme (GM-VFNS)** interpolates between two well-defined regions ( $H \equiv c, b$ ):  
**FFNS** for  $Q^2 \leq m_H^2$ , **ZM-VFNS** for  $Q^2 \gg m_H^2$ .
- Ambiguous up to  $\mathcal{O}(m_H^2/Q^2) \Rightarrow$  theory uncertainty on  $\sigma_{W,Z}$ .

# Impact of heavy quarks in DIS on $\sigma_{W,Z}$ at LHC

## Impact of GM-VFNS variation [R. Thorne, arXiv:1006.5925]

- Uncertainty  $\sim 2\%$  at NLO, but less than  $1\%$  at NNLO.

## Impact of (pole-mass) $m_{c,b}$ variation [MSTW, arXiv:1007.2624]

- Vary  $m_c = 1.40 \pm 0.15$  GeV  $\Rightarrow$  just over  $1\%$  change in  $\sigma_{W,Z}$ .
- Vary  $m_b = 4.75 \pm 0.25$  GeV  $\Rightarrow$  negligible change ( $0.1\%$ ).

LHC, $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV	$B_{\ell\nu} \cdot \sigma^W$	$B_{\ell+\ell^-} \cdot \sigma^Z$
PDF only uncertainty	+1.7%	+1.7%
PDF+ $\alpha_S$ uncertainty	-1.6%	-1.5%
	+2.5%	+2.5%
	-1.9%	-1.9%
PDF+ $\alpha_S$ + $m_{c,b}$ uncertainty	+2.7%	+2.9%
	-2.2%	-2.4%

- Combined HERA I data: upwards shift in  $\sigma_{W,Z}$  by  $1\text{--}2\%$  [MSTW, arXiv:1006.2753]. HERA II and  $F_2^{\text{charm}}$  data to come.
- Future theoretical improvements: “optimal” GM-VFNS [R. Thorne, arXiv:1006.5925], possible use of  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  mass.

# Current status of proton PDFs from different groups

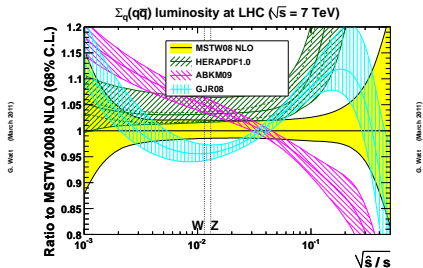
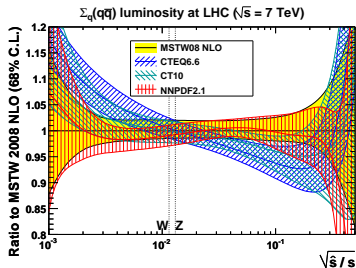
- Consider only *public* sets, where “public”  $\equiv$  available in LHAPDF.
- Highlight major differences in data and theory between groups:

	MSTW08	CTEQ6.6/CT10	NNPDF2.1	HERAPDF1.0/1.5	ABKM09	GJR08/JR09
HERA DIS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fixed-target DIS	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
Fixed-target DY	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
Tevatron W,Z	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
Tevatron jets	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓
GM-VFNS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
NNLO	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓

- “Global”  $\equiv$  includes all five main categories of data.
- Three groups with **NLO** global fits, but only *one* at **NNLO**.
- GJR08 *almost* global but restrictive “dynamical” parameterisation.
- NNPDF2.0 (ZM-VFNS)  $\rightarrow$  NNPDF2.1 (GM-VFNS), now allowing meaningful comparison to other NLO global fits. (Previous NNPDF2.0  $\sigma_{W,Z}$  lower than all other groups.)
- ABKM09 and GJR08/JR09 use FFNS for structure functions.

# Ratio of NLO quark–antiquark luminosity functions

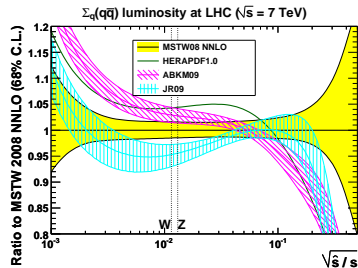
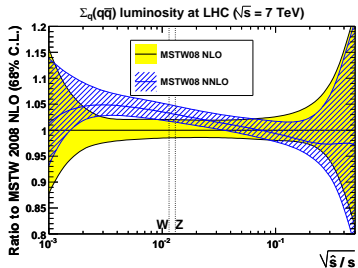
$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma_q(q\bar{q})}}{\partial \hat{s}} = \frac{1}{s} \int_{\tau}^1 \frac{dx}{x} \sum_{q=d,u,s,c,b} [f_q(x, \hat{s}) f_{\bar{q}}(\tau/x, \hat{s}) + (q \leftrightarrow \bar{q})], \quad \tau \equiv \frac{\hat{s}}{s}$$



- Relevant values of  $\sqrt{\hat{s}} = M_{W,Z}$  are indicated: good agreement for global fits (*left*), but more variation for other sets (*right*).

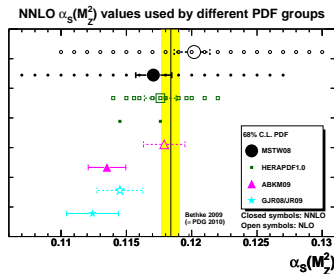
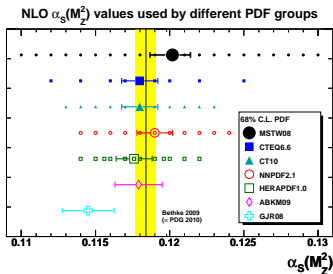
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- **Left plot:** compare MSTW NLO and NNLO luminosities.
- **Right plot:** NNLO trend between groups similar to NLO.

# Values of $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$ used by different fitting groups



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- $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$  for MSTW08, ABKM09 and GJR08/JR09 fitted.
- $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$  for other groups applied as an external constraint.
- Smaller symbols indicate alternative  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$  values provided.
- Fitted NLO  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$  always larger than NNLO  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$ : attempt to mimic missing higher-order corrections.
- Plot cross sections versus  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$  to show dependence (more important for  $t\bar{t}$  and  $gg \rightarrow H$  than  $W/Z$  production).



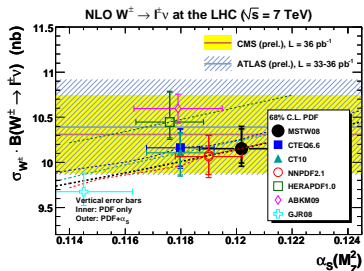
# Settings for NLO/NNLO W and Z total cross sections

- Aim to isolate PDF (and  $\alpha_S$ ) dependence.  
 $\Rightarrow$  Use **same** code for all PDF sets with common settings.
- “PDF+ $\alpha_S$ ” uncertainties (at 68% and 90% C.L.) computed using recommended prescription of each fitting group.
- No attempt made to evaluate other theoretical uncertainties. Single scale choice,  $\mu_R = \mu_F = M_W, M_Z$ . (Scale uncertainties less than 1% at NNLO.) No electroweak corrections included.
- Treatment of heavy quarks in 5-flavour ZM-VFNS.
- Use PDG 2008 electroweak parameters, no virtual photon ( $\gamma^*$ ).
- On-shell W and Z production times leptonic branching ratios.
- Apply correction factors to ATLAS and CMS data calculated using VRAP at NNLO with MSTW08 PDFs (but same at NLO).

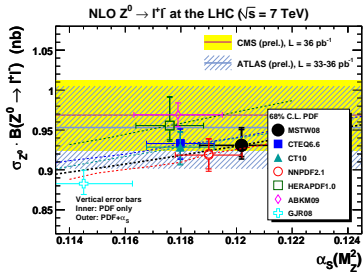
$$\text{ATLAS: } \sigma(Z/\gamma^*, 66 < M_{\ell\ell} < 116 \text{ GeV}) / \sigma(Z\text{-only}, M_{\ell\ell} = M_Z) = 0.991$$

$$\text{CMS: } \sigma(Z/\gamma^*, 60 < M_{\ell\ell} < 120 \text{ GeV}) / \sigma(Z\text{-only}, M_{\ell\ell} = M_Z) = 1.006$$

# NLO $W^\pm$ and $Z^0$ total cross sections versus $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$

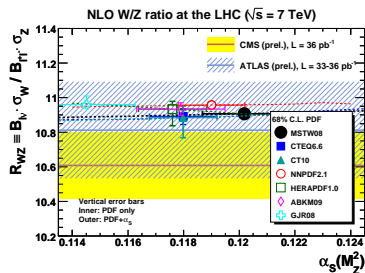


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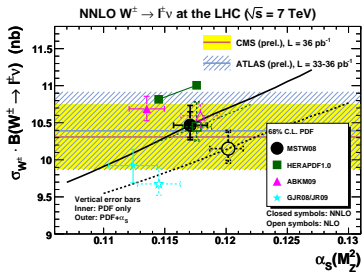
- Global fits in good agreement for  $\sigma_{W^\pm}$  and  $\sigma_{Z^0}$  (left plots).
- Small uncertainties in predictions for  $W/Z$  ratio:



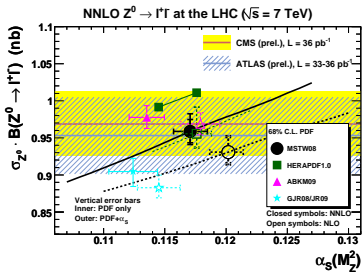
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- Preliminary LHC data  
[ATLAS-CONF-2011-041,  
CMS PAS EWK-10-005].

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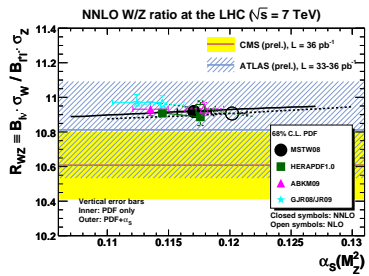


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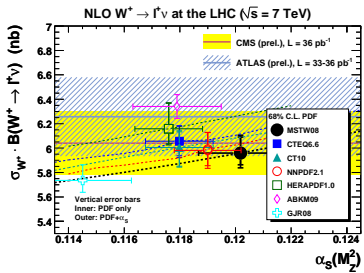
- NNLO corrections reduced by taking different  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$  values at different orders.
- $W/Z$  ratio insensitive to NNLO corrections (and  $\alpha_S$ ):



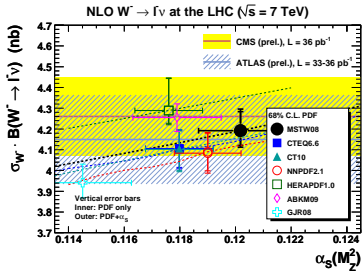
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- Luminosity uncertainty 3–4%, comparable with PDF spread.

# NLO $W^+$ and $W^-$ total cross sections versus $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$

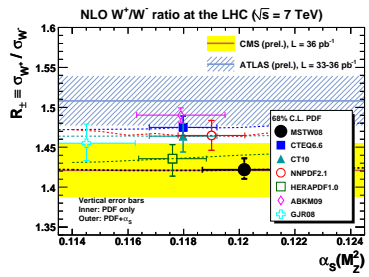


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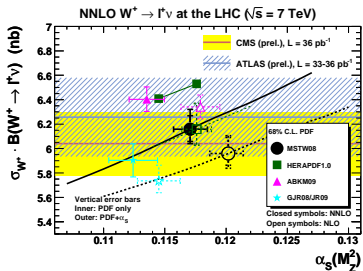
- Slightly more spread in separate  $\sigma_{W^+}$  and  $\sigma_{W^-}$ .
- Reflected in  $W^+/W^-$  ratio (sensitive to  $u/d$  ratio):



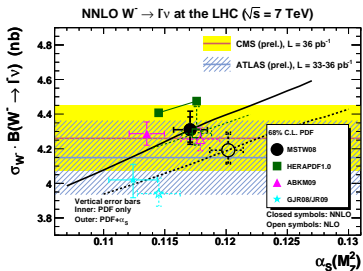
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- ATLAS  $W^+/W^-$  ratio derived from ATLAS ellipse [ATLAS-CONF-2011-041].

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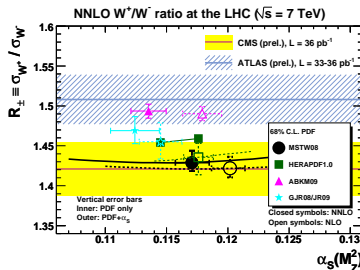


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- $W^+/W^-$  ratio insensitive to NNLO corrections (and  $\alpha_s$ ):



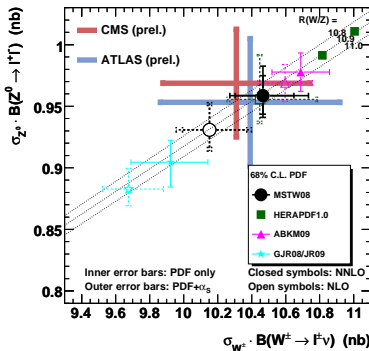
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- Apparent discrepancy between CMS and ATLAS for ratio.
- CMS ratio favours **MSTW08**, ATLAS favours **ABKM09** (?).

# NNLO $W^\pm$ vs. $Z^0$ and $W^+$ vs. $W^-$ total cross sections

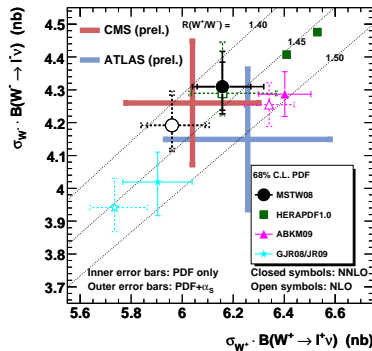
- Consolidate two cross section measurements (and their ratio).

NNLO W and Z cross sections at the LHC ( $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV)



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NNLO  $W^+$  and  $W^-$  cross sections at the LHC ( $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV)



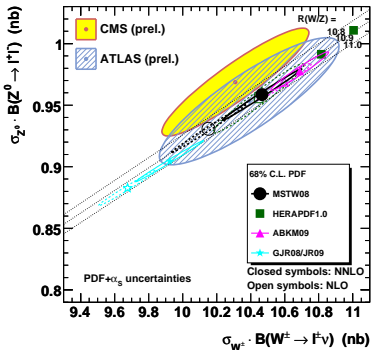
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- Know correlation of both data and theory (from eigenvector PDFs).

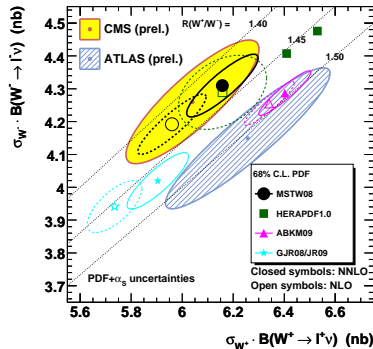
# NNLO $W^\pm$ vs. $Z^0$ and $W^+$ vs. $W^-$ total cross sections

- Correlation of ellipse  $\Leftrightarrow$  uncertainty in ratio of cross sections.

NNLO W and Z cross sections at the LHC ( $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV)



NNLO  $W^+$  and  $W^-$  cross sections at the LHC ( $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV)



- Apparent discrepancy between CMS and ATLAS for  $W^+/W^-$ .  
CMS ratio favours **MSTW08**, ATLAS favours **ABKM09** (?).

# Acceptance for $W^+/W^-$ total cross section ratio

- CMS [[arXiv:1012.2466](https://arxiv.org/abs/1012.2466), CMS PAS EWK-10-005] use POWHEG (with CTEQ6.6/CT10, MSTW08NLO, NNPDF2.0), check with FEWZ.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sigma_{W^+}^{\text{tot}}}{\sigma_{W^-}^{\text{tot}}} = \begin{cases} 1.418 \pm 0.008(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.022(\text{syst.}) \pm 0.029(\text{th.}) & (e) \\ 1.423 \pm 0.008(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.019(\text{syst.}) \pm 0.031(\text{th.}) & (\mu) \\ 1.421 \pm 0.006(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.014(\text{syst.}) \pm 0.030(\text{th.}) & (e + \mu) \end{cases}$$

- ATLAS [[arXiv:1010.2130](https://arxiv.org/abs/1010.2130), ATLAS-CONF-2011-041] use PYTHIA (with MRSTLO\*)  $\Rightarrow \sigma_{W^+}^{\text{tot}}/\sigma_{W^-}^{\text{tot}} = 1.51 \pm 0.03 (e + \mu)$  [from ATLAS ellipse].

MC+PDF	$A_{W^+}/A_{W^-}$		$\sigma_{W^+}^{\text{tot}}/\sigma_{W^-}^{\text{tot}}$	
	e	$\mu$	e	$\mu$
PYTHIA+MRSTLO*	1.02	1.02	1.50	1.51
PYTHIA+CTEQ6.6	1.05	1.05	1.46	1.47
PYTHIA+HERAPDF1.0	1.03	1.04	1.48	1.49
MC@NLO+HERAPDF1.0	1.05	1.05	1.46	1.47
MC@NLO+CTEQ6.6	1.06	1.06	1.45	1.46

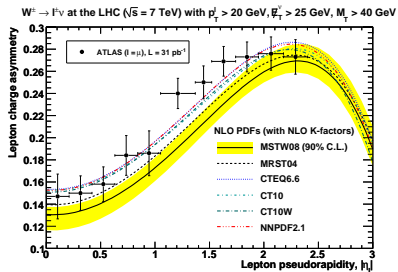
$$\frac{\sigma_{W^+}^{\text{tot}}}{\sigma_{W^-}^{\text{tot}}} = \frac{\sigma_{W^+}^{\text{fid}}}{\sigma_{W^-}^{\text{fid}}} \cdot \frac{A_{W^-}}{A_{W^+}}$$

Alternative acceptance calculations move ATLAS  $\sigma_{W^+}^{\text{tot}}/\sigma_{W^-}^{\text{tot}}$  much closer to CMS.

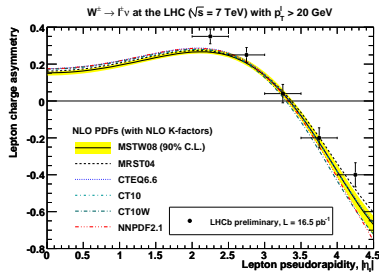
- Precision requires better acceptance calculations and/or data to theory comparisons at level of fiducial cross section.



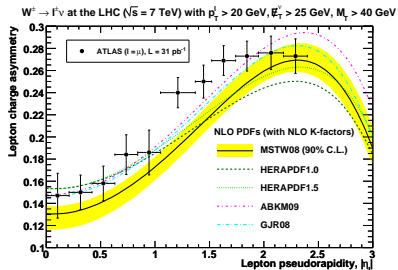
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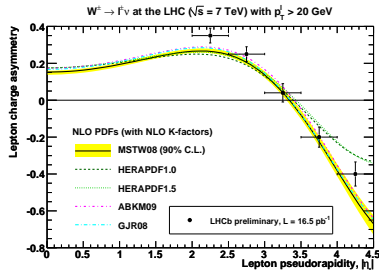
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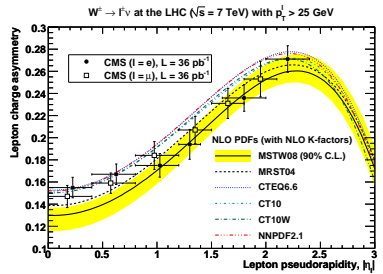


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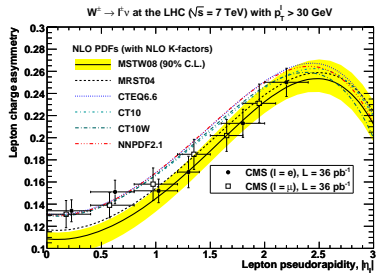
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Data: LHCb preliminary

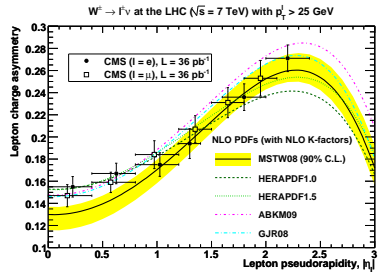
# $W^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu$ charge asymmetry from CMS [arXiv:1103.3470]



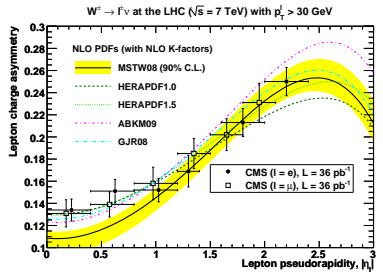
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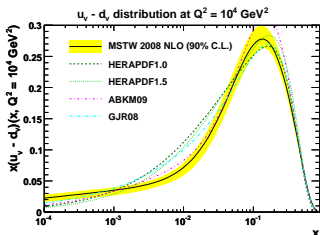
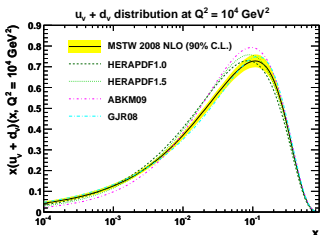
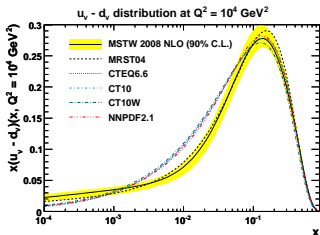
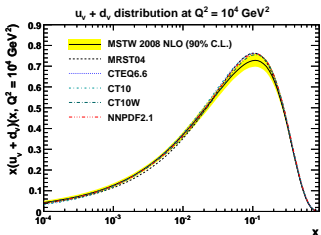


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Data: CMS for  $p_T^\ell > 25$  GeV

Data: CMS for  $p_T^\ell > 30$  GeV

# Comparison of $u_v \pm d_v$ for different NLO PDFs



- **MSTW08** has input  $xu_v \propto x^{0.29 \pm 0.02}$  and  $xd_v \propto x^{0.97 \pm 0.11}$ .

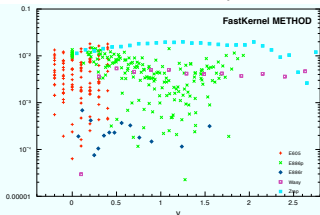
Many other groups **assume** equal powers  $\Rightarrow$  parameterisation bias.  
(NNPDF: restricted range of small- $x$  preprocessing exponents.)

# Methods for including hadron collider data in PDF fits

**Problem:** need fast NLO/NNLO calculation to allow PDF fitting.

**Solutions:**

- 1 Avoid explicit PDF refitting. **Reweight** existing Monte Carlo replica PDF sets ( $\rightarrow$  M. Ubiali) or Hessian eigenvector PDF sets ( $\rightarrow$  R. McNulty). Useful method, but short-term solution.
- 2 Grid **interpolation** methods: FASTNLO (NLOJET++), APPLGRID (NLOJET++, MCFM), FASTKERNEL (DY w/o  $\ell$  cuts).



Methods used by three global fit groups:

	MSTW	CTEQ	NNPDF
Tevatron jets	FASTNLO	K-factors	FASTNLO
Tevatron W, Z	K-factors	K-factors	FASTKERNEL
Fixed-target DY	K-factors	K-factors	FASTKERNEL

- 3 Parameterised **K-factors** calculated for exact kinematic cuts. More traditional method, but often (unjustly?) criticised.

## Practical implementation of $K$ -factors in PDF fits

- **Example:**  $Z$  rapidity distribution in PDF fit calculated as

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{NNLO}}}{dy} = \frac{d\sigma^{\text{LO}}}{dy} K(y), \quad K(y) \equiv \left. \frac{d\sigma^{\text{NNLO}}/dy}{d\sigma^{\text{LO}}/dy} \right|_{\text{fixed NNLO PDF}},$$

where  $K(y)$  calculated beforehand for a fixed NNLO PDF (and  $\alpha_S$ ) choice in **both** numerator and denominator.

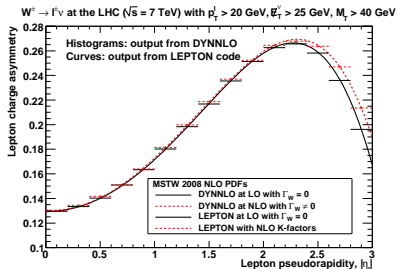
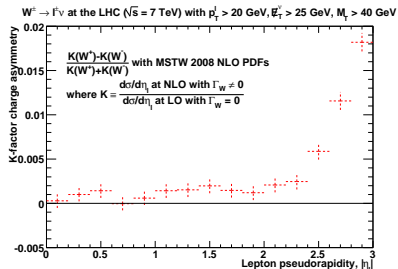
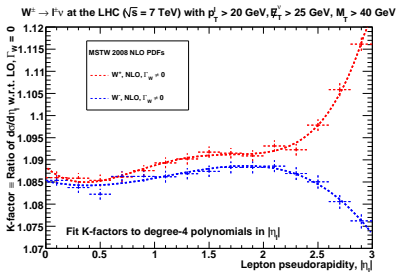
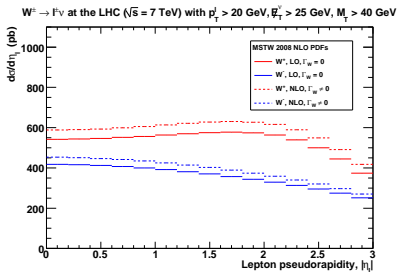
- Approximation made is that  $K(y)$  is independent of PDF choice: can iterate or use a different PDF choice to check this assumption.
- Possible to go further and isolate  $\alpha_S$  dependence from  $K$ -factor:

$$K(y) = 1 + \alpha_S D(y) + \alpha_S^2 E(y),$$

where coefficients  $D(y)$  and  $E(y)$  are calculated for a fixed PDF choice. Method used for Drell–Yan data in MSTW08 fit.

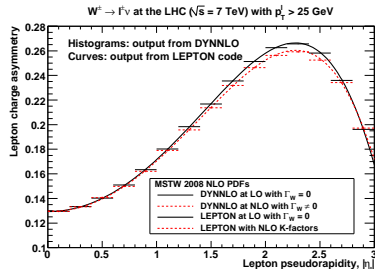
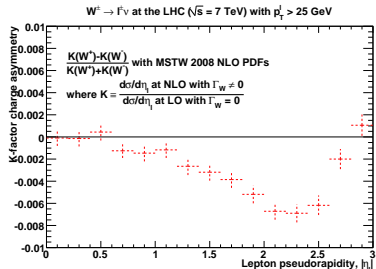
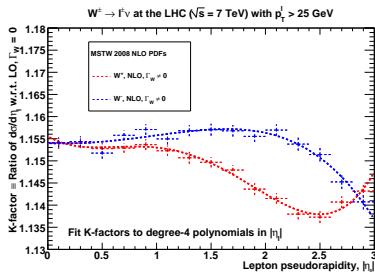
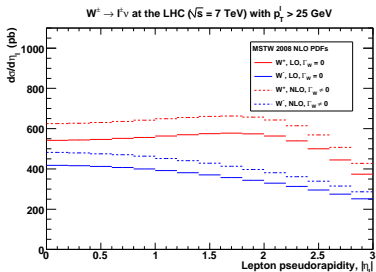
- Illustrate method by looking at  $K$ -factors for LHC  $W/Z$  data.

# NLO K-factors for ATLAS cuts [arXiv:1103.2929]



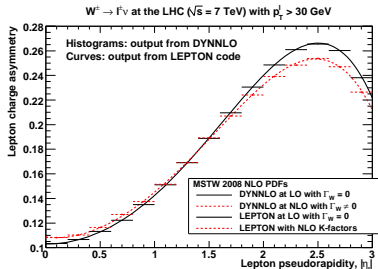
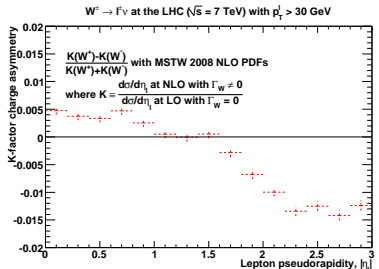
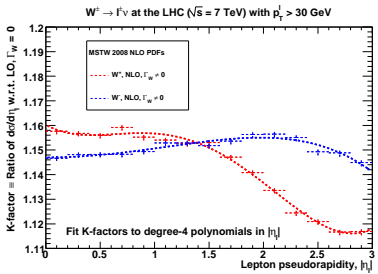
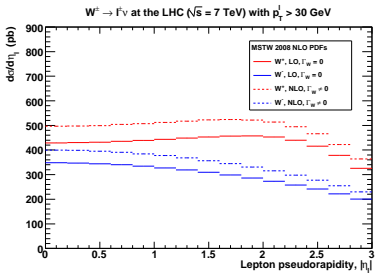
- PDF dependence of K-factor charge asymmetry should be negligible.

# NLO K-factors for CMS cuts ( $p_T^\ell > 25$ GeV) [arXiv:1103.3470]



- CMS cuts slightly different from ATLAS, but equal at LO with  $\Gamma_W = 0$ .

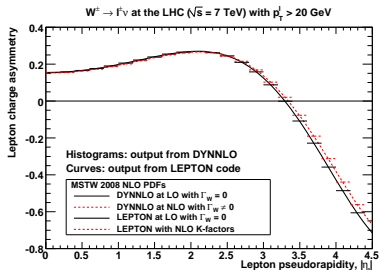
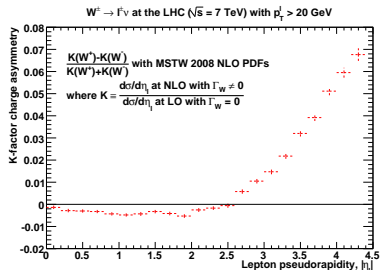
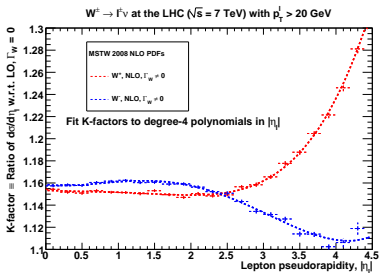
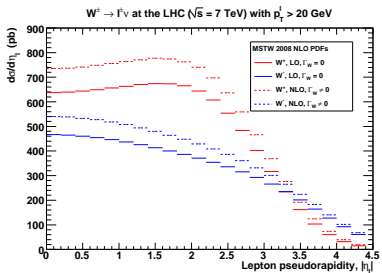
# NLO K-factors for CMS cuts ( $p_T^\ell > 30$ GeV) [arXiv:1103.3470]



- K-factor charge asymmetry larger for  $p_T^\ell > 30$  GeV than  $p_T^\ell > 25$  GeV.



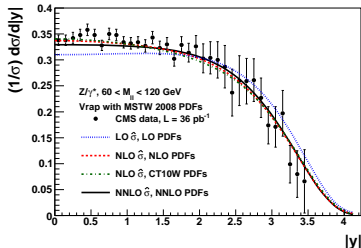
# NLO K-factors for LHCb cuts [LHCb-CONF-2011-012]



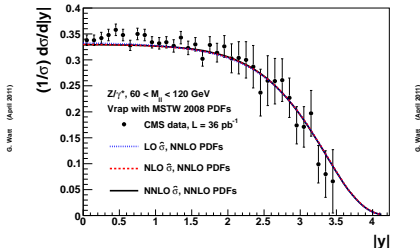
- K-factor charge asymmetry still small at large  $|\eta_l|$  relevant for LHCb.

# $Z/\gamma^*$ rapidity distribution at the LHC [CMS PAS EWK-10-010]

$Z/\gamma^*$  rapidity shape distribution at the LHC ( $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV)



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- **Left plot:** change PDF with order of  $\hat{\sigma}$  calculation. NLO and NNLO clearly favoured over LO. CT10W close to MSTW08NLO.
- **Right plot:** same MSTW08NNLO PDF with varying  $\hat{\sigma}$  order.  $\Rightarrow$  PDF dependence of  $K$ -factor should be negligible.
- Could quantify accuracy by propagating PDF uncertainties:

$$\frac{d\sigma_i^{\text{NNLO}}}{dy} = \frac{d\sigma_0^{\text{LO}}}{dy} K_i(y), \quad K_i(y) \equiv \frac{d\sigma_i^{\text{NNLO}}/dy}{d\sigma_0^{\text{LO}}/dy},$$

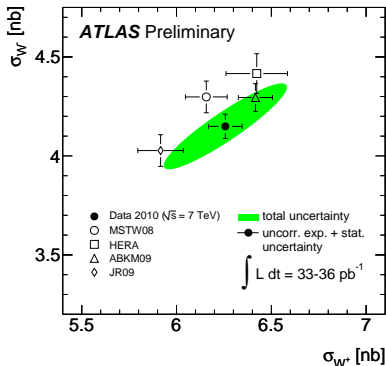
for eigenvector NNLO PDF set “ $i$ ”, where “ $0$ ” is the central set.

# Summary

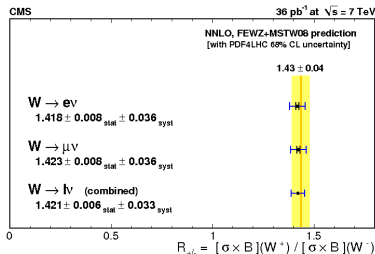
- Apparent discrepancy between ATLAS and CMS  $W^+/W^-$  total cross section ratio due to **inadequate acceptance calculations**. Data precision requires proper acceptance corrections and/or comparison of data and theory for fiducial cross section.
- LHC  $W^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu$  charge asymmetry data an important input to future fits (but still outstanding issues to be resolved concerning Tevatron data and nuclear effects in deuteron structure functions [MSTW, arXiv:1006.2753]).
- **$K$ -factor methods** should be sufficiently accurate for inclusion in PDF fits of LHC data on  $W^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu$  charge asymmetry and  $Z/\gamma^*$  rapidity shape distribution (but not jets etc.).

ATLAS and CMS  $W^+/W^-$  total cross section ratios

[ATLAS-CONF-2011-041]



[CMS PAS EWK-10-005]



- PDF4LHC recipe **inappropriate** for PDF-sensitive measurement.

- ATLAS ellipse  $\Rightarrow \sigma_{W^+}^{\text{tot}} / \sigma_{W^-}^{\text{tot}} = 1.51 \pm 0.03$  (total uncertainty).
- CMS  $\sigma_{W^+}^{\text{tot}} / \sigma_{W^-}^{\text{tot}} = 1.421 \pm 0.034 \Rightarrow$  correlation for ellipse.

# What is $\alpha_S$ from only DIS in the MSTW08 NNLO fit?

[Studies prompted by question from G. Altarelli, December 2010]

- Global fit:  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2) = 0.1171 \pm 0.0014$  [[arXiv:0905.3531](#)].
- DIS-only fit gives  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2) = 0.1104$  (BCDMS-dominated)<sup>1</sup>, but **input  $xg < 0$  for  $x > 0.4$**  due to lack of data constraint.  $\Rightarrow F_2^{\text{charm}} < 0$  and  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}} \sim 10$  for Tevatron jets.
- DIS-only fit fixing high- $x$  gluon parameters gives  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2) = 0.1172$ .
- DIS-only fit without BCDMS gives  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2) = 0.1193$ .
- Global fit without BCDMS gives  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2) = 0.1181$ .
- **Conclusion:** Tevatron jet data vital to pin down **high- $x$  gluon**, giving smaller **low- $x$  gluon** and therefore larger  $\alpha_S$  in the global fit compared to a DIS-only fit, at the expense of some deterioration in the fit quality of the BCDMS data.

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<sup>1</sup>Some analyses cut  $y > 0.3$  on BCDMS data to reduce energy scale uncertainty of scattered muon: increases  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$  by 0.004 in BCDMS-only fit.

## Non-singlet QCD analysis of DIS data [BBG06, hep-ph/0607200]

Order	$\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$ (expt.)
NLO	$0.1148^{+0.0019}_{-0.0019}$
NNLO	$0.1134^{+0.0019}_{-0.0021}$
NNNLO	$0.1141^{+0.0020}_{-0.0022}$

- Fit  $F_2^p$  and  $F_2^d$  for  $x > 0.3$  (neglect singlet contribution), and  $F_2^{NS}$ .
- But singlet makes up about 10% (2%) of  $F_2^p$  at  $x = 0.3$  ( $x = 0.5$ ).
- **Exercise:** perform MSTW08 NNLO DIS-only fit to  $F_2^p$  and  $F_2^d$  for  $x > 0.3$  (282 points, 160 from BCDMS).  
 $\Rightarrow \alpha_S(M_Z^2) = 0.1103$  (0.1130) without (with) singlet included.  
 (Lower than BBG06 due to lack of  $y > 0.3$  cut on BCDMS.)
- **Conclusion:** low value of  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$  found by BBG06 due to (i) dominance of BCDMS data and (ii) neglect of singlet.
- Closest possible to reliable extraction of  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$  from DIS is MSTW08 NNLO combined analysis of DIS, DY and jet data:

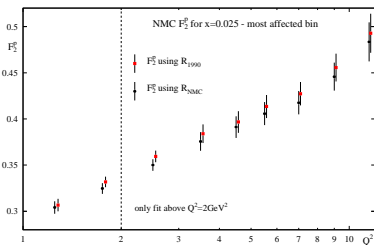
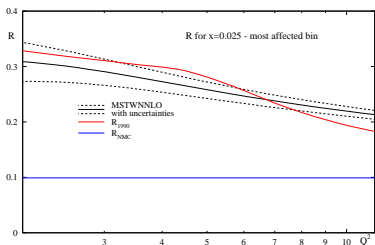
$$\alpha_S(M_Z^2) = 0.1171 \pm 0.0014 \text{ (68\% C.L.)} \pm 0.0034 \text{ (90\% C.L.)}$$

# Treatment of $F_L$ correction for NMC data [Studies by R. Thorne]

- Recent claim that bulk of **MSTW/ABKM** difference explained by  $F_L$  for NMC data [Alekhin, Blümlein, Moch, arXiv:1101.5261].
- ABKM** fit NMC cross sections, **MSTW** fit NMC  $F_2$  corrected for  $R = \sigma_L / \sigma_T \simeq F_L / (F_2 - F_L)$ , where [NMC, hep-ph/9610231]:

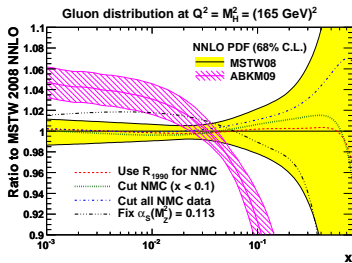
$$R(x, Q^2) = \begin{cases} R_{\text{NMC}}(x) & \text{if } x < 0.12 \\ R_{1990}(x, Q^2) & \text{if } x > 0.12 \end{cases}$$

- Alternative NMC  $F_2$  data using  $R = R_{1990}$  ( $\forall x$ ) close to  $R_{\text{MSTW}}$ .



# Effect of NMC $F_L$ treatment on Higgs cross sections

NNLO PDF	$\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$	$\sigma_H$ at Tevatron	$\sigma_H$ at 7 TeV LHC
<b>MSTW08</b>	<b>0.1171</b>	<b>0.342 pb</b>	<b>7.91 pb</b>
Use $R_{1990}$ for NMC	0.1167	-0.7%	-0.9%
Cut NMC ( $x < 0.1$ )	0.1162	-1.2%	-2.1%
Cut all NMC data	0.1158	-0.7%	-2.1%
Fix $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$	0.1130	-11%	-7.6%
<b>ABKM09</b>	<b>0.1135</b>	<b>-26%</b>	<b>-11%</b>



- Higgs cross section insensitive to treatment of NMC  $F_L$ .
- Similar stability found by NNPDF [[arXiv:1102.3182](https://arxiv.org/abs/1102.3182)]  
(but at NLO with fixed  $\alpha_S$ ).
- Gluon and  $\sigma_H$  still far from **ABKM** with  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2) = 0.113$ .
- Greater sensitivity found by ABM [[arXiv:1101.5261](https://arxiv.org/abs/1101.5261)] perhaps due to inclusion of higher-twist and/or lack of Tevatron jets.



Description of CDF II inclusive jet ( $k_T$ ) data [hep-ex/0701051]

- Values of  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}}$  with (without) accounting for correlations:

NLO PDF (with NLO $\hat{\sigma}$ )	$\mu = p_T/2$	$\mu = p_T$	$\mu = 2p_T$
<b>MSTW08</b>	0.75 (0.30)	<b>0.68</b> (0.28)	0.91 (0.84)
CTEQ6.6	1.25 (0.14)	1.66 (0.20)	2.38 (0.84)
CT10	1.03 (0.13)	1.20 (0.19)	1.81 (0.84)
NNPDF2.1	0.74 (0.29)	0.82 (0.25)	1.23 (0.69)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1176$ )	2.43 (0.39)	3.26 (0.66)	4.03 (1.67)
ABKM09	1.62 (0.52)	2.21 (0.85)	3.26 (2.10)
GJR08	1.36 (0.23)	0.94 (0.13)	0.79 (0.36)

NNLO PDF (with NLO+2-loop $\hat{\sigma}$ )	$\mu = p_T/2$	$\mu = p_T$	$\mu = 2p_T$
<b>MSTW08</b>	1.39 (0.42)	<b>0.69</b> (0.44)	0.97 (0.48)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1145$ )	2.64 (0.36)	2.15 (0.36)	2.20 (0.46)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1176$ )	2.24 (0.35)	1.17 (0.32)	1.23 (0.31)
ABKM09	2.55 (0.82)	2.76 (0.89)	3.41 (1.17)
JR09	0.75 (0.37)	1.26 (0.41)	2.21 (0.49)

- $N_{\text{pts.}} = 76$ ,  $N_{\text{corr.}} = 17$ . 90% C.L. region for **MSTW08** ( $\mu = p_T$ ) given by  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}} < 0.83$  (NLO) or  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}} < 0.85$  (NNLO).

Description of CDF II inclusive jet (cone) data [[arXiv:0807.2204](https://arxiv.org/abs/0807.2204)]

- Values of  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}}$  with (without) accounting for correlations:

NLO PDF (with NLO $\hat{\sigma}$ )	$\mu = p_T/2$	$\mu = p_T$	$\mu = 2p_T$
<b>MSTW08</b>	1.52 (0.61)	<b>1.40</b> (0.27)	1.16 (0.73)
CTEQ6.6	1.93 (0.41)	1.98 (0.21)	1.78 (0.78)
CT10	1.75 (0.38)	1.69 (0.19)	1.50 (0.76)
NNPDF2.1	1.69 (0.60)	1.56 (0.25)	1.44 (0.60)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1176$ )	2.61 (0.23)	2.73 (0.49)	2.53 (1.58)
ABKM09	1.56 (0.26)	1.68 (0.65)	1.69 (2.01)
GJR08	2.11 (0.71)	1.75 (0.24)	1.52 (0.31)

NNLO PDF (with NLO+2-loop $\hat{\sigma}$ )	$\mu = p_T/2$	$\mu = p_T$	$\mu = 2p_T$
<b>MSTW08</b>	1.67 (0.62)	<b>1.39</b> (0.43)	1.62 (0.37)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1145$ )	2.20 (0.25)	2.06 (0.27)	2.19 (0.40)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1176$ )	2.08 (0.55)	1.76 (0.33)	1.99 (0.23)
ABKM09	1.70 (0.50)	1.94 (0.71)	2.26 (1.12)
JR09	1.57 (0.41)	2.05 (0.36)	2.82 (0.39)

- $N_{\text{pts.}} = 72$ ,  $N_{\text{corr.}} = 25$ . 90% C.L. region for **MSTW08** ( $\mu = p_T$ ) given by  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}} < 1.73$  (NLO) or  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}} < 1.71$  (NNLO).

Description of  $D\bar{D}$  II inclusive jet (cone) data [arXiv:0802.2400]

- Values of  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}}$  with (without) accounting for correlations:

NLO PDF (with NLO $\hat{\sigma}$ )	$\mu = p_T/2$	$\mu = p_T$	$\mu = 2p_T$
<b>MSTW08</b>	1.45 (0.89)	<b>1.08</b> (0.20)	1.05 (1.22)
CTEQ6.6	1.62 (1.15)	1.56 (0.59)	1.61 (1.35)
CT10	1.39 (0.88)	1.26 (0.37)	1.32 (1.29)
NNPDF2.1	1.41 (0.87)	1.29 (0.20)	1.22 (0.96)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1145$ )	1.73 (0.27)	1.84 (0.74)	1.83 (2.79)
ABKM09	1.39 (0.35)	1.43 (1.07)	1.63 (3.66)
GJR08	1.90 (1.46)	1.34 (0.45)	1.03 (0.51)

NNLO PDF (with NLO+2-loop $\hat{\sigma}$ )	$\mu = p_T/2$	$\mu = p_T$	$\mu = 2p_T$
<b>MSTW08</b>	1.95 (0.90)	<b>1.23</b> (0.44)	1.08 (0.35)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1145$ )	2.11 (0.37)	1.68 (0.35)	1.41 (0.63)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1176$ )	2.28 (0.95)	1.50 (0.40)	1.17 (0.21)
ABKM09	1.68 (0.79)	1.55 (1.21)	1.63 (2.04)
JR09	1.84 (0.47)	1.61 (0.36)	1.58 (0.50)

- $N_{\text{pts.}} = 110$ ,  $N_{\text{corr.}} = 23$ . 90% C.L. region for **MSTW08** ( $\mu = p_T$ ) given by  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}} < 1.28$  (NLO) or  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}} < 1.46$  (NNLO).

Description of  $D\bar{D}$  II dijet invariant mass data [arXiv:1002.4594]

- Values of  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}}$  with (without) accounting for correlations:

NLO PDF (with NLO $\hat{\sigma}$ )	$\mu = p_T/2$	$\mu = p_T$	$\mu = 2p_T$
<b>MSTW08</b>	3.15 (1.63)	<b>2.25</b> (0.70)	1.56 (0.70)
CTEQ6.6	5.41 (2.22)	4.85 (1.79)	3.36 (1.52)
CT10	4.74 (1.87)	4.06 (1.32)	2.70 (1.21)
NNPDF2.1	2.67 (1.56)	1.93 (0.66)	1.47 (0.55)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1176$ )	2.05 (0.38)	2.21 (0.77)	2.11 (2.28)
ABKM09	1.49 (0.33)	1.41 (0.80)	1.34 (2.78)
GJR08	10.7 (3.92)	7.91 (2.36)	5.30 (0.66)

NNLO PDF (with NLO $\hat{\sigma}$ )	$\mu = p_T/2$	$\mu = p_T$	$\mu = 2p_T$
<b>MSTW08</b>	2.38 (0.63)	<b>1.80</b> (0.33)	1.31 (1.24)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1145$ )	2.61 (0.48)	2.55 (0.89)	2.40 (2.40)
HERAPDF1.0 ( $\alpha_S = 0.1176$ )	2.72 (0.83)	2.31 (0.50)	1.96 (1.08)
ABKM09	1.36 (0.98)	1.49 (1.93)	1.57 (4.53)
JR09	3.29 (0.42)	2.55 (0.24)	1.88 (1.26)

- $N_{\text{pts.}} = 71$ ,  $N_{\text{corr.}} = 70$ . Scale  $\mu \propto p_T \equiv (p_{T1} + p_{T2})/2$ .