

Light-flavor parton distributions from collider data

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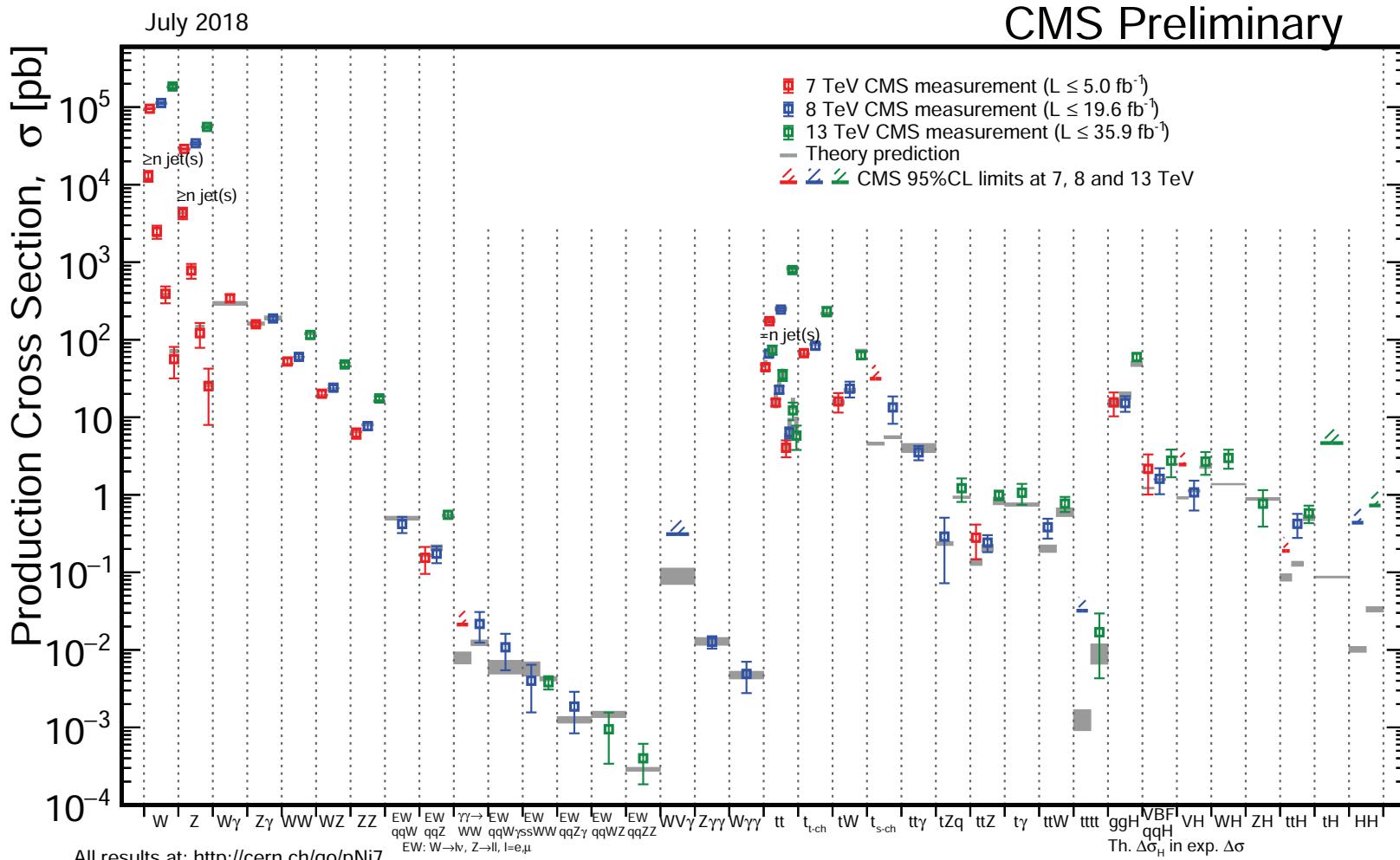
Based on work done in collaboration with:

- *NLO PDFs from the ABMP16 fit*
S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein and S. M. [arXiv:1803.07537](#)
- *Strange sea determination from collider data*
S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein and S. M. [arXiv:1708.01067](#)
- *Parton distribution functions, α_s , and heavy-quark masses for LHC Run II*
S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein, S. M. and R. Plačakytė [arXiv:1701.05838](#)
- *A Critical Appraisal and Evaluation of Modern PDFs*
A. Accardi, S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein, M.V. Garzelli, K. Lipka, W. Melnitchouk, S. M., J.F. Owens, R. Plačakytė, E. Reya, N. Sato, A. Vogt and O. Zenaiev [arXiv:1603.08906](#)
- *Iso-spin asymmetry of quark distributions and implications for single top-quark production at the LHC*
S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein, S. M. and R. Plačakytė [arXiv:1508.07923](#)
- Many more papers of ABM and friends ...
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Standard Model cross sections

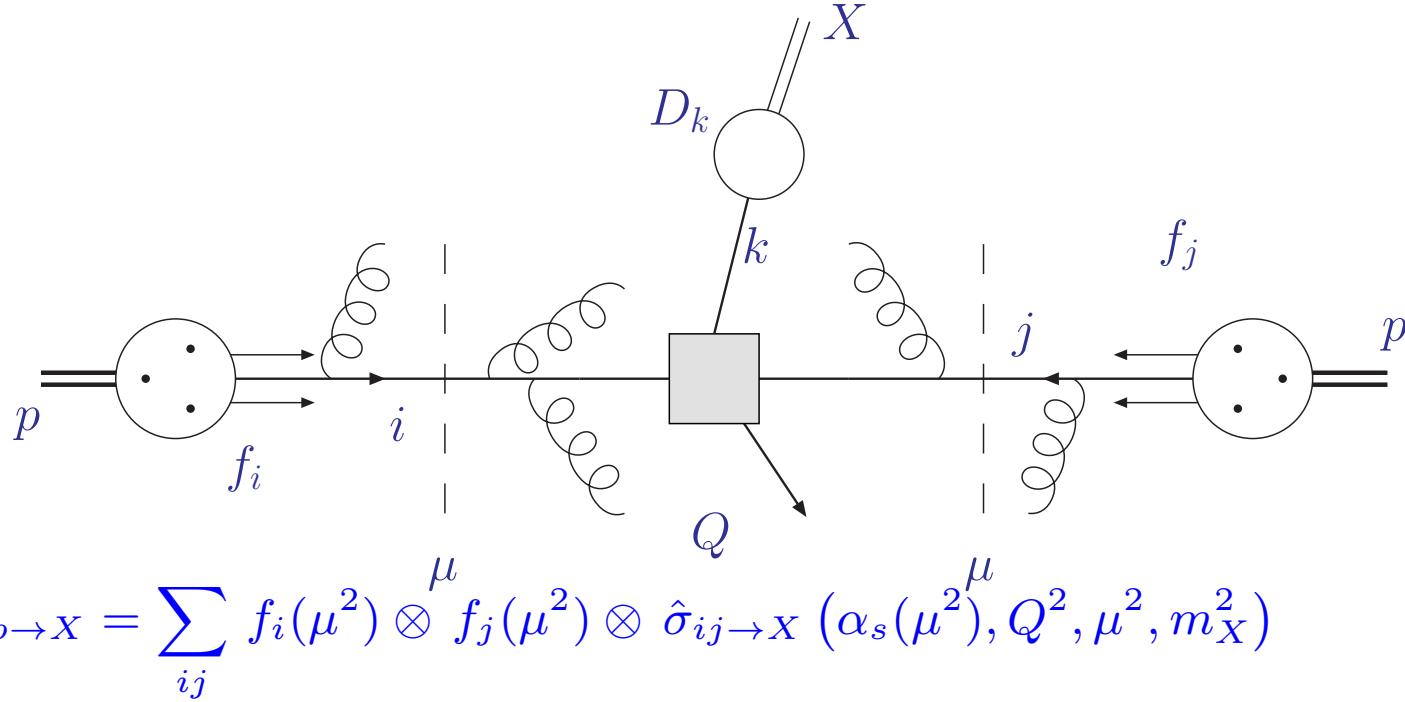
Cross sections for Standard Model processes at the LHC

- Hadroproduction of top-quarks (+ jets) and single-tops CMS coll. '18



QCD factorization

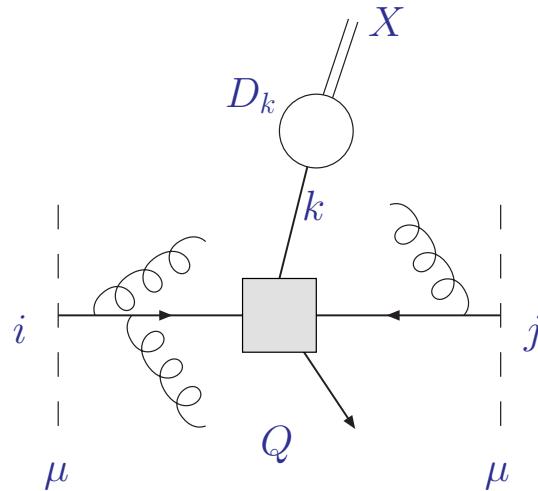
QCD factorization



- Factorization at scale μ
 - 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
- Non-perturbative parameters: parton distribution functions f_i , strong coupling α_s , particle masses m_X
 - known from global fits to exp. data, lattice computations, ...

Hard scattering cross section

- Parton cross section $\hat{\sigma}_{ij \rightarrow k}$ calculable perturbatively in powers of α_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)
 - ...

Parton luminosity

- Long distance dynamics due to proton structure



- Cross section depends on parton distributions f_i

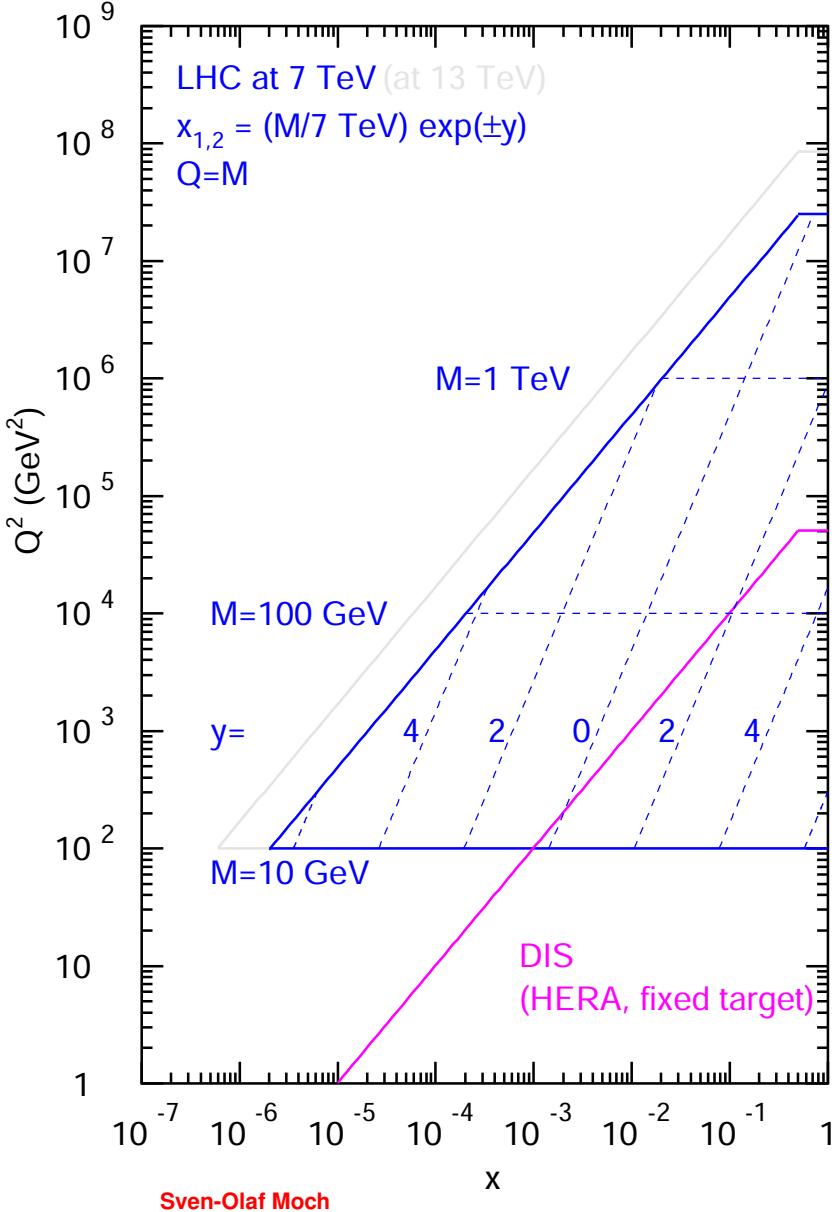
$$\sigma_{pp \rightarrow X} = \sum_{ij} f_i(\mu^2) \otimes f_j(\mu^2) \otimes [\dots]$$

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

Parton content of the proton

Parton kinematics at LHC

- Information on proton structure depends on kinematic coverage



- LHC run at $\sqrt{s} = 7/8$ TeV
 - parton kinematics well covered by HERA and fixed target experiments
- Parton kinematics with $x_{1,2} = M/\sqrt{s} e^{\pm y}$
 - forward rapidities sensitive to small- x
- Cross section depends on convolution of parton distributions
 - small- x part of f_i and large- x PDFs f_j

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

Evolution equations

- Parton distribution functions $q_i(x, \mu^2)$, $\bar{q}_i(x, \mu^2)$ and $g(x, \mu^2)$ for quarks, antiquarks of flavour i and gluons
- Flavor non-singlet combinations with $2n_f - 1$ scalar evolution equations

$$q_{\text{ns},ik}^{\pm} = (q_i \pm \bar{q}_i) - (q_k \pm \bar{q}_k) \quad \text{and} \quad q_{\text{ns}}^{\text{v}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} (q_i - \bar{q}_i)$$

with $\frac{d}{d \ln \mu^2} q_{\text{ns}}^{\pm, \text{v}} = P_{\text{ns}}^{\pm, \text{v}} \otimes q_{\text{ns}}^{\pm, \text{v}}$

- splitting functions P_{ns}^{\pm} and $P_{\text{ns}}^{\text{v}} = P_{\text{ns}}^{-} + P_{\text{ns}}^{\text{s}}$

- Flavor singlet (2×2 matrix) evolution equations

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu^2} \begin{pmatrix} q_s \\ g \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} P_{\text{qq}} & P_{\text{qg}} \\ P_{\text{gq}} & P_{\text{gg}} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} q_s \\ g \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad q_s = \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} (q_i + \bar{q}_i)$$

- quark-quark splitting function $P_{\text{qq}} = P_{\text{ns}}^{+} + P_{\text{ps}}$

- Perturbative expansion of splitting functions up to **N³LO**

$$P_{ij} = \alpha_s P_{ij}^{(0)} + \alpha_s^2 P_{ij}^{(1)} + \alpha_s^3 P_{ij}^{(2)} + \alpha_s^4 P_{ij}^{(3)} + \dots$$

PDF landscape

- Significant number of active groups ABMP16, CJ15, CT14, HERAPDF2.0, JR14, MMHT14, NNPDF3.1
 - PDFs accurate to NNLO in QCD, except for CJ15 (NLO)
 - different choices of data sets
 - different fitting procedures ($\Delta\chi^2$ criterium)

PDF sets	$\Delta\chi^2$ criterion	data sets used in analysis
ABMP16 arXiv:1701.05838	1	incl. DIS, DIS charm, DY, $t\bar{t}$, single t
CJ15 arXiv:1602.03154	1	incl. DIS, DY (incl. $p\bar{p} \rightarrow W^\pm X$), $p\bar{p}$ jets, γ +jet
CT14 arXiv:1506.07443	100	incl. DIS, DIS charm, DY, $p\bar{p}$ jets, pp jets
HERAPDF2.0 arXiv:1506.06042	1	incl. DIS, DIS charm, DIS jets
JR14 arXiv:1403.1852	1	incl. DIS, DIS charm, DY, $p\bar{p}$ jets, DIS jets
MMHT14 arXiv:1510.02332	2.3 ... 42.3 (dynamical)	incl. DIS, DIS charm, DY, $p\bar{p}$ jets, pp jets, $t\bar{t}$
NNPDF3.1 arXiv:1706.00428	n.a.	incl. DIS, DIS charm, DY, $p\bar{p}$ jets, pp jets, $t\bar{t}$, $W +$ charm, $Z p_T$

Data in global PDF fits

Data sets considered in ABMP16 analysis

- Analysis of world data for deep-inelastic scattering, fixed-target data for Drell-Yan process and collider data (W^\pm -, Z -bosons, top-quarks)
 - inclusive DIS data HERA, BCDMS, NMC, SLAC $(NDP = 2155)$
 - semi-inclusive DIS charm-, bottom-quark data HERA $(NDP = 81)$
 - Drell-Yan data (fixed target) E-605, E-866 $(NDP = 158)$
 - neutrino-nucleon DIS (di-muon data) CCFR/NuTeV, CHORUS, NOMAD $(NDP = 232)$
 - W^\pm -, Z -boson production data D0, ATLAS, CMS, LHCb $(NDP = 172)$
 - inclusive top-quark hadro-production CDF&D0, ATLAS, CMS $(NDP = 24)$

Iterative cycle of PDF fits

- i) check of compatibility of new data set with available world data
- ii) study of potential constraints due to addition of new data set to fit
- iii) perform high precision measurement of PDFs, strong coupling $\alpha_s(M_Z)$ and heavy quark masses m_c , m_b , m_t ,

Theory considerations in PDF fits

Theory considerations in ABMP16

- Strictly NNLO QCD for determination of PDFs and α_s
- Consistent scheme for treatment of heavy quarks
 - $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -scheme for quark masses and α_s
 - fixed-flavor number scheme for $n_f = 3, 4, 5$
- Consistent theory description for consistent data sets
 - low scale DIS data with account of higher twist
- Full account of error correlations

Interplay with perturbation theory

- Accuracy of determination driven by precision of theory predictions
- PDF parameters, α_s , m_c , m_b and m_t sensitive to
 - radiative corrections at higher orders
 - chosen scheme (e.g. ($\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme))
 - renormalization and factorization scales μ_R , μ_F
 - ...

ABMP16 PDF ansatz

- PDFs parameterization at scale $\mu_0 = 3\text{GeV}$ in scheme with $n_f = 3$
Alekhin, Blümlein, S.M., Placakyte '17
 - ansatz for valence-/sea-quarks, gluon

$$xq_v(x, \mu_0^2) = \frac{2\delta_{qu} + \delta_{qd}}{N_q^v} x^{a_q} (1-x)^{b_q} x^{P_{qv}(x)}$$

$$xq_s(x, \mu_0^2) = x\bar{q}_s(x, \mu_0^2) = A_{qs} (1-x)^{b_{qs}} x^{a_{qs}} P_{qs}(x)$$

$$xg(x, \mu_0^2) = A_g x^{a_g} (1-x)^{b_g} x^{a_g} P_g(x)$$

- strange quark is taken in charge-symmetric form
- function $P_p(x)$

$$P_p(x) = (1 + \gamma_{-1,p} \ln x) (1 + \gamma_{1,p} x + \gamma_{2,p} x^2 + \gamma_{3,p} x^3) ,$$

- 29 parameters in fit including $\alpha_s^{(n_f=3)}(\mu_0 = 3\text{GeV})$, m_c , m_b and m_t
- simultaneous fit of higher twist parameters (twist-4)
- Ansatz provides sufficient flexibility; no additional terms required to improve the quality of fit

Quality of fit

Statistical tests

- Goodness-of-fit estimator
 - χ^2 values compared to number of data points (typically a few thousand in global fit)

Covariance matrix

- Positive-definite covariance matrix
 - correlations for fit parameters of ABMP16 PDFs

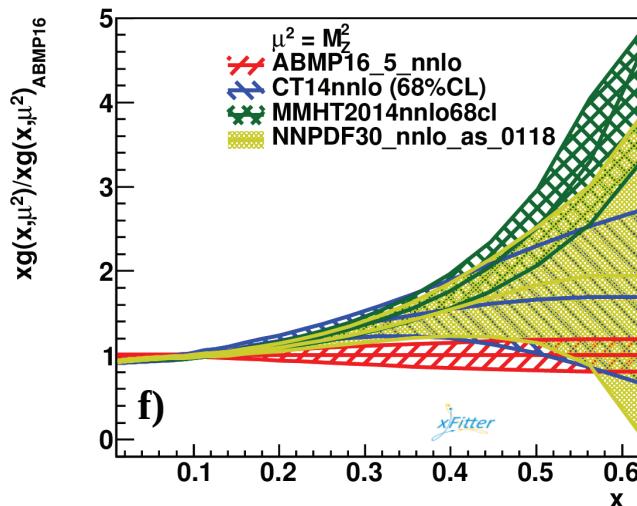
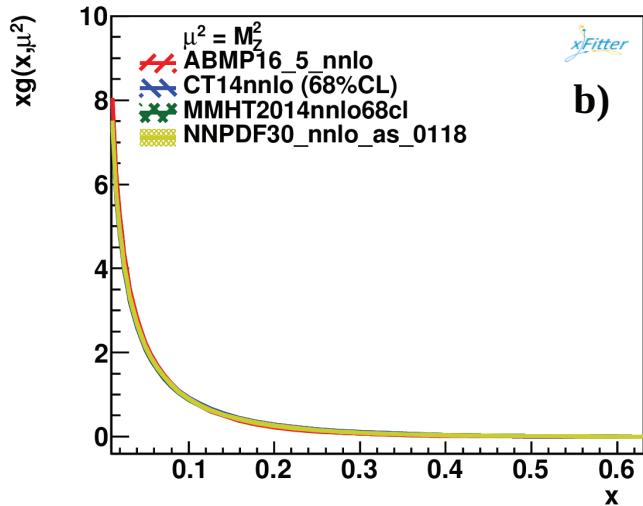
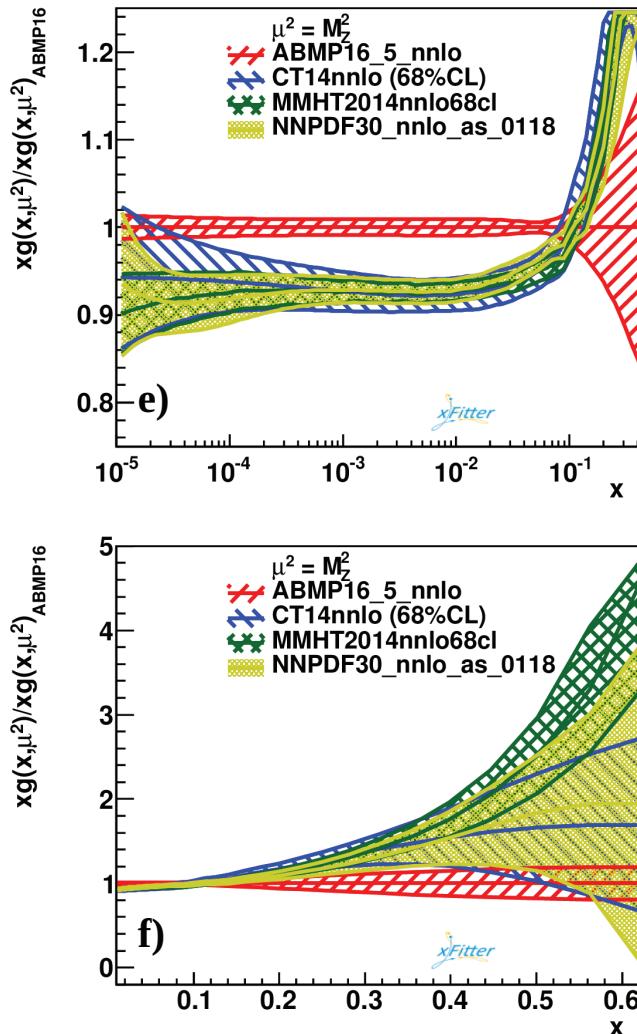
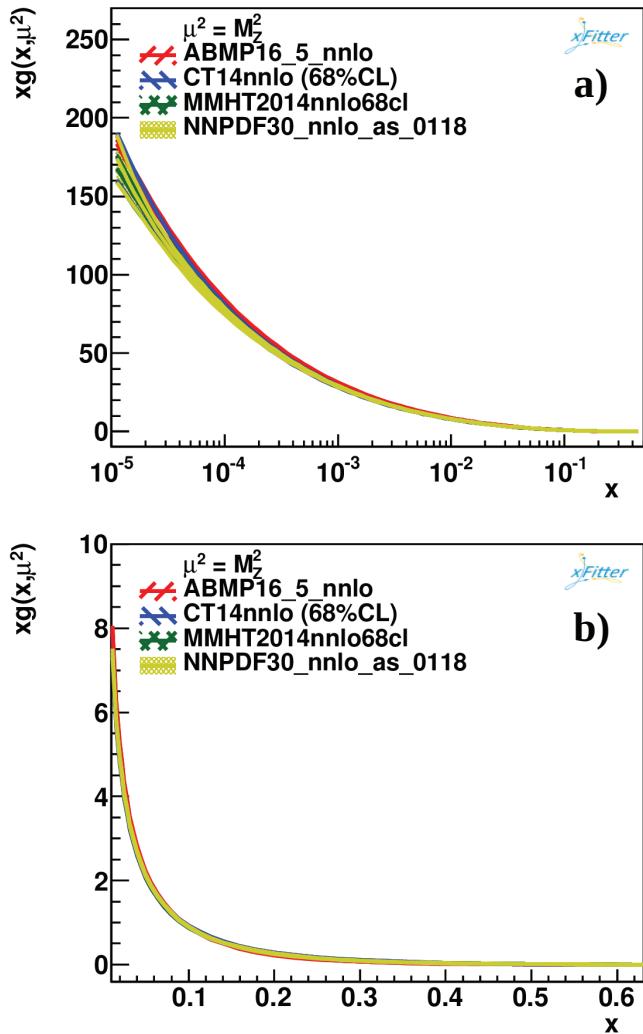
	a_u	b_u	$\gamma_{1,u}$	$\gamma_{2,u}$	$\gamma_{3,u}$	a_d	b_d	$\gamma_{1,d}$	$\gamma_{2,d}$	$\gamma_{3,d}$
a_u	1.0	0.7617	0.9372	-0.5078	0.4839	0.4069	0.3591	0.4344	-0.3475	0.0001
b_u	0.7617	1.0	0.6124	-0.1533	0.0346	0.3596	0.2958	0.3748	-0.2748	0.0001
$\gamma_{1,u}$	0.9372	0.6124	1.0	-0.7526	0.7154	0.2231	0.2441	0.2812	-0.2606	0.0001
$\gamma_{2,u}$	-0.5078	-0.1533	-0.7526	1.0	-0.9409	0.2779	0.2276	0.2266	-0.1860	0.0
$\gamma_{3,u}$	0.4839	-0.0346	0.7154	-0.9409	1.0	-0.1738	-0.1829	-0.1327	0.1488	0.0
a_d	0.4069	0.3596	0.2231	0.2779	-0.1738	1.0	0.7209	0.9697	0.6529	0.0001
b_d	0.3591	0.2958	0.2441	0.2276	-0.1829	0.7209	1.0	0.7681	-0.9786	-0.0001
$\gamma_{1,d}$	0.4344	0.3748	0.2812	0.2266	-0.1327	0.9697	0.7681	1.0	-0.7454	0.0002
$\gamma_{2,d}$	-0.3475	-0.2748	-0.2606	-0.1860	0.1488	-0.6529	-0.9786	-0.7454	1.0	-0.0002
$\gamma_{3,d}$	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0	0.0	0.0001	-0.0001	0.0002	-0.0002	1.0
a_{us}	-0.0683	-0.0881	-0.2094	0.3881	-0.3206	0.2266	0.1502	0.2000	-0.1293	0.0
b_{us}	-0.3508	-0.3089	-0.3462	0.0906	-0.0537	-0.1045	-0.2000	-0.2241	0.2798	0.0
$\gamma_{1,us}$	0.2296	0.1387	0.3367	-0.4043	0.3474	-0.1171	-0.1127	-0.0810	0.0767	0.0
$\gamma_{1,us}$	-0.4853	-0.4119	-0.3844	-0.0365	0.0064	-0.4380	-0.3592	-0.4957	0.3771	-0.0001
A_{us}	0.0506	0.0807	-0.0949	0.3198	-0.2560	0.2527	0.1648	0.2350	-0.1509	0.0
a_{ds}	-0.0759	-0.0443	-0.0951	0.0263	-0.0382	-0.2565	-0.2541	-0.2666	0.2380	0.0
b_{ds}	0.0452	-0.0197	0.0345	-0.0589	0.0683	-0.2084	0.0190	-0.1841	-0.0522	0.0
$\gamma_{1,ds}$	-0.0492	-0.0809	0.0101	-0.1791	0.1309	-0.5576	-0.2029	-0.4584	0.0946	0.0
A_{ds}	-0.1980	-0.1262	-0.2349	0.1526	-0.1428	0.1113	-0.2167	-0.1739	0.2407	0.0
a_{ss}	-0.2034	-0.1285	0.2362	0.2328	-0.0280	0.0960	0.1596	0.0661	-0.1054	0.0
b_{ss}	-0.1186	-0.0480	0.1532	0.1549	-0.1536	0.0486	0.1508	0.0267	-0.1161	0.0
A_{ss}	-0.1013	-0.0411	-0.1458	0.1802	-0.1625	0.1216	0.1678	0.0924	-0.1196	0.0
a_g	0.0046	-0.0374	0.1109	-0.1934	0.1653	-0.0288	-0.0122	0.0053	0.0059	0.0
b_g	0.2662	0.3141	0.1579	-0.0050	-0.0207	0.0973	0.0870	0.0646	-0.0666	0.0
$\gamma_{1,g}$	0.0008	0.0274	0.0706	0.0876	-0.0835	0.0919	0.0574	0.0493	-0.0364	0.0
$a_s^{(n_j=3)}(\mu_0)$	0.1083	-0.0607	0.0848	-0.0250	0.0765	-0.0763	-0.0306	0.0725	0.0243	0.0
$m_c(m_c)$	-0.0006	0.0170	-0.0104	0.0206	-0.0201	-0.0123	-0.0161	-0.0114	0.0108	0.0
$m_b(m_b)$	0.0661	0.0554	0.0605	-0.0367	0.0287	-0.0116	0.0029	-0.0074	-0.0051	0.0
$m_t(m_t)$	-0.1339	-0.2170	-0.0816	0.0081	0.0250	-0.0616	-0.0813	-0.0491	0.0736	0.0

	a_{us}	b_{us}	$\gamma_{-1,us}$	$\gamma_{1,us}$	A_{us}	a_{ds}	b_{ds}	$\gamma_{1,ds}$	A_{ds}	a_{ss}
a_u	-0.0683	-0.3508	0.2296	0.4853	0.0506	-0.0759	0.0452	-0.0492	-0.1980	-0.2034
b_u	-0.0081	-0.3089	0.1387	-0.4119	0.0807	-0.0443	-0.0197	-0.0809	-0.1262	-0.1285
$\gamma_{1,u}$	-0.2094	-0.3462	0.3367	-0.3844	-0.0949	-0.0951	0.0345	0.0101	-0.2349	0.2362
$\gamma_{2,u}$	0.3881	0.0906	-0.4043	0.0365	0.3198	0.0263	-0.0589	-0.1791	0.1526	0.2328
$\gamma_{3,u}$	-0.3206	-0.0537	0.3474	0.0064	-0.2560	-0.0382	0.0683	0.1309	-0.1428	-0.2080
a_d	0.2266	-0.1045	-0.1171	0.4380	0.2527	-0.0265	0.2084	0.05576	-0.1113	0.0960
b_d	0.1502	-0.2000	-0.1127	0.3592	0.1648	-0.2541	0.0190	-0.2029	-0.2167	0.1596
$\gamma_{1,d}$	0.2000	-0.2241	-0.0810	-0.4957	0.2350	-0.2666	-0.1841	-0.4584	-0.1739	0.0661
$\gamma_{2,d}$	-0.1293	0.2798	0.0767	0.3771	-0.1509	0.2380	-0.0522	0.0946	0.2407	-0.1054
$\gamma_{3,d}$	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.0001	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
a_{us}	1.0	-0.3156	-0.8947	-0.5310	0.9719	0.2849	0.0241	-0.0470	0.2983	0.4131
b_{us}	-0.3156	1.0	0.1372	0.8258	-0.3995	0.0467	-0.0221	0.1190	0.1856	0.0291
$\gamma_{-1,us}$	-0.8947	-0.1372	1.0	0.2611	-0.7829	-0.1695	0.0156	0.0501	-0.2117	0.7191
$\gamma_{1,us}$	-0.5310	0.8258	0.2611	1.0	-0.6479	0.0086	0.0076	0.1460	0.0781	-0.0010
A_{us}	0.9719	-0.3995	-0.7829	-0.6479	1.0	0.2983	0.0515	-0.0404	0.3055	0.2811
a_{ds}	0.2849	0.0467	-0.1695	0.0086	-0.2983	1.0	-0.1608	0.0719	0.9152	-0.2941
b_{ds}	0.0241	-0.0221	0.0156	0.0076	0.0515	-0.1608	1.0	0.7834	-0.3022	-0.0390
$\gamma_{1,ds}$	-0.0470	-0.1190	0.0501	0.1460	-0.0404	0.0719	0.7834	1.0	-0.1838	-0.1373
A_{ds}	0.2983	0.1856	-0.2117	0.0781	0.3055	0.9152	-0.3022	-0.1838	1.0	0.1833
a_{ss}	0.4131	0.0291	-0.7191	0.0010	-0.2811	-0.2941	-0.0390	-0.1373	-0.1833	1.0
b_{ss}	0.2197	0.0643	-0.4479	0.1286	0.1193	-0.1579	-0.0260	0.0169	-0.0896	0.6522
A_{ss}	0.3627	0.0261	-0.6319	0.0102	-0.2412	-0.2688	-0.0180	-0.0960	-0.1797	0.9280
a_g	-0.2570	0.0001	0.2196	0.0039	-0.2493	-0.2190	-0.0454	-0.1031	-0.2571	0.0626
b_g	-0.1419	0.1266	0.0694	0.2648	-0.1715	-0.0515	0.0917	0.2130	-0.0469	0.0092
$\gamma_{1,g}$	-0.0241	0.0332	-0.0226	0.1296	-0.0489	-0.0137	0.0503	0.1409	-0.0022	-0.0279
$a_s^{(n_j=3)}(\mu_0)$	0.0954	-0.2866	-0.0341	0.3493	0.1110	-0.0604	0.1265	-0.1811	-0.1330	-0.0841
$m_c(m_c)$	0.0704	-0.0093	-0.0033	0.0462	0.1182	0.0849	0.0547	0.0413	0.1193	-0.0159
$m_b(m_b)$	-0.0183	-0.0132	0.0044	0.0209	-0.0298	-0.0006	0.0332	0.0695	-0.0432	0.0159
$m_t(m_t)$	0.0641	-0.1841	-0.0408	-0.2635	0.0755	-0.0573	-0.1067	-0.2003	-0.0869	0.0169

	b_{ss}	A_{ss}	a_g	b_g	$\gamma_{1,g}$	$a_s^{(n_j=3)}(\mu_0)$	$m_c(m_c)$	$m_b(m_b)$	$m_t(m_t)$
a_u	-0.1186	-0.1013	0.0046	0.2662	0.2008	0.1083	0.0006	0.0661	-0.1339
b_u	-0.0480	-0.0411	-0.0374	0.3141	0.2274	-0.0607	0.0170	0.0554	-0.2170
$\gamma_{1,u}$	-0.1532	-0.1458	0.1109	0.1579	0.0706	0.0848	-0.0104	0.0605	-0.0816
$\gamma_{2,u}$	0.1549	0.1802	-0.1934	-0.0050	0.0876	-0.0250	0.0206	-0.0367	0.0081
$\gamma_{3,u}$	-0.1536	-0.1625	0.1653	-0.0207	-0.0835	0.0765	0.0201	-0.0274	-0.0250
a_d	0.0486	0.1216	-0.0288	0.0973	0.0919	0.0763	-0.0123	-0.0116	-0.0116
b_d	0.1508	0.1678	-0.0122	0.0870	0.0574	-0.0306	-0.0161	0.0029	-0.0813
$\gamma_{1,d}$	0.0267	0.0924	0.0053	0.0646	0.0493	0.0725	-0.0114	-0.0074	-0.0491
$\gamma_{2,d}$	-0.1161	-0.1196	0.0059	-0.0666	-0.0364	0.0243	0.0108	-0.0051	0.0736
$\gamma_{3,d}$	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
a_{us}	0.2197	0.3627	-0.2570	-0.1419	-0.0241	0.0954	0.0704	-0.0183	0.0641
b_{us}	0.0643	0.0261	0.0001	0.1266	0.0332	-0.2866	-0.0093	-0.0132	-0.1841
$\gamma_{-1,us}$	-0.4479	-0.6319	0.2197	0.0694	-0.0226	-0.0341	-0.0034	0.0444	0.0408
$\gamma_{1,us}$	0.1286	0.0102	0.0039	0.2648	0.1296	-0.3493	-0.0462	0.0209	-0.2635
A_{us}	0.1193	0.2412	-0.2493	-0.1715	-0.0489	0.1110	-0.1182	-0.0298	0.0755
a_{ds}	-0.1579	-0.2688	-0.2190	-0.0515	-0.0137	-0.2651	-0.0503	-0.0604	0.0849
b_{ds}	-0.0260	-0.0180	-0.0454	0.0917	0.0503	-0.1265	0.0547	0.0332	-0.1067
$\gamma_{1,ds}$	0.0169	-0.0960	-0.1031	0.2130	0.1409	-0.1811	0.0413	0.0695	-0.2003
A_{ds}	-0.0896	-0.1797	-0.2571	-0.0469	0.0022	-0.1330	0.1193	-0.0432	0.0869
a_{ss}	0.6522	0.9280	0.0626	-0.0992	-0.0279	-0.0841	-0.0728	-0.0159	0.0169
b_{ss}	1.0	0.6427	-0.0179	0.1967	0.1164	-0.2390	-0.0965	0.0169	-0.1675
A_{ss}	0.6427	1.0	-0.0211	0.1403	0.0997	-0.1385	0.0216	0.0072	-0.1109
a_g	-0.0179	-0.0211	1.0	-0.5279	-0.8046	0.1838	-0.2829	0.0076	0.3310
b_g	0.1967	0.1403	-0.5279	1.0	0.8837	-0.5124	0.1438	0.1255	-0.7275
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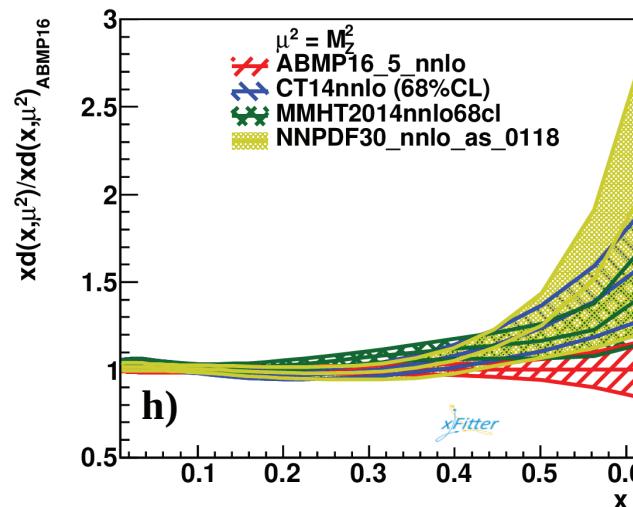
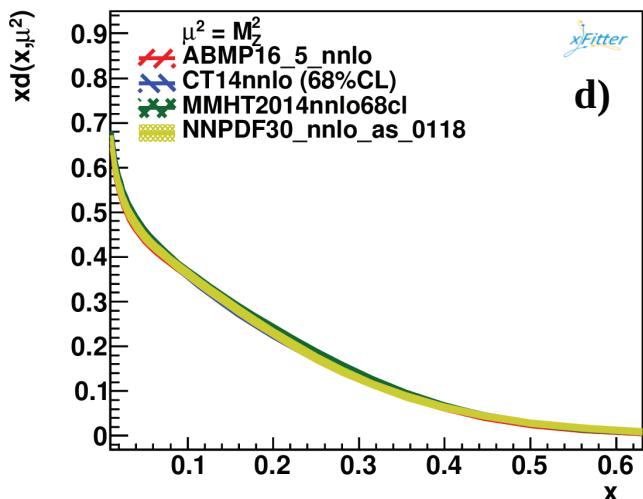
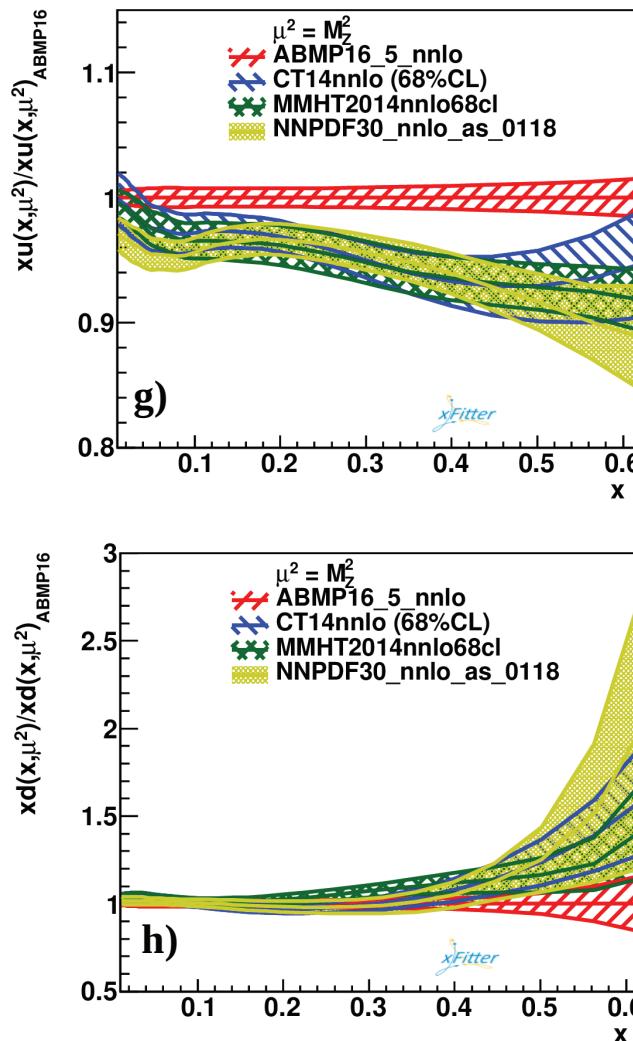
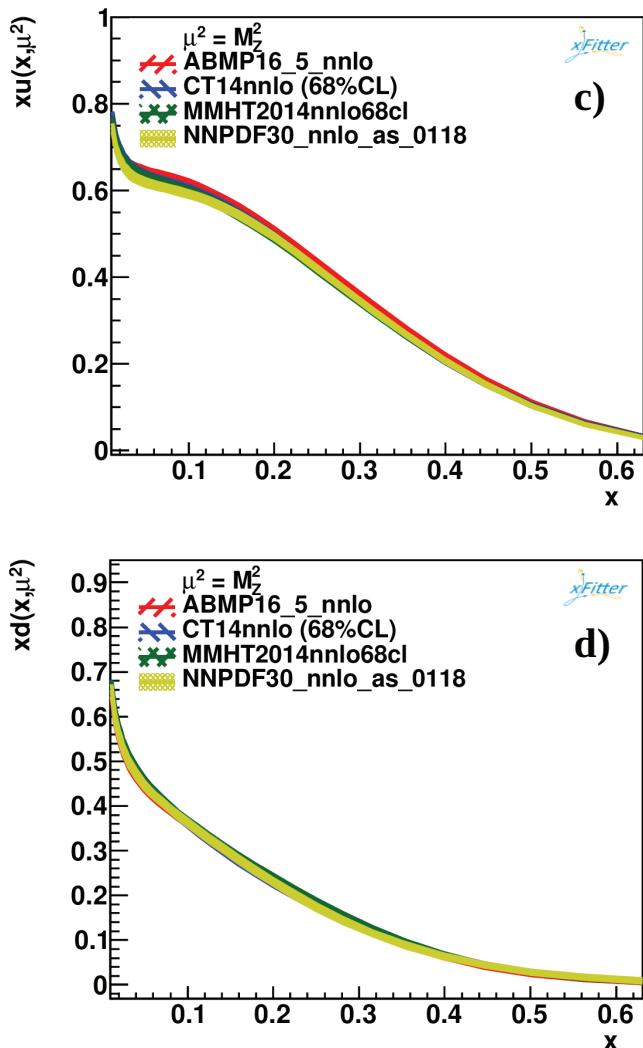
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- Gluon $g(x)$



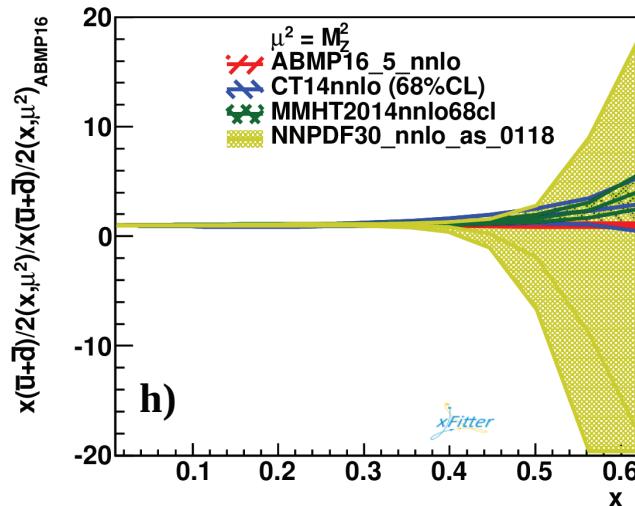
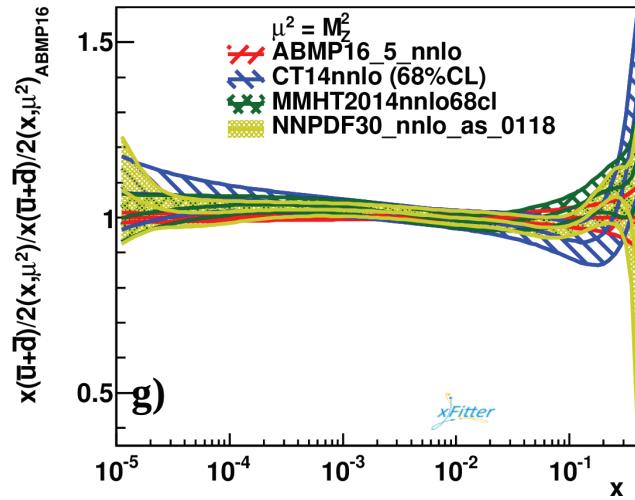
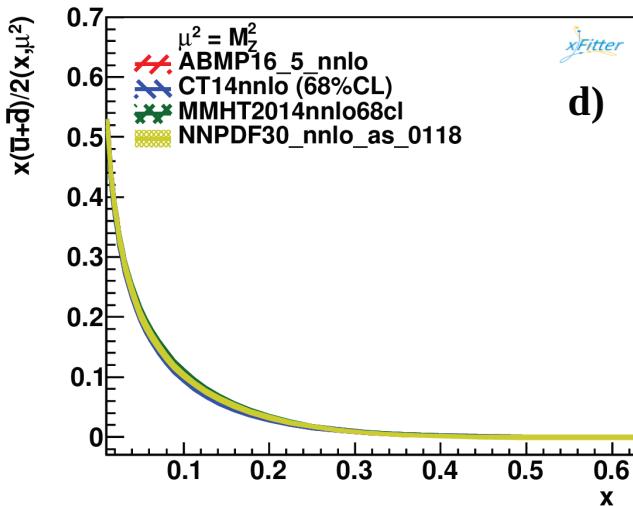
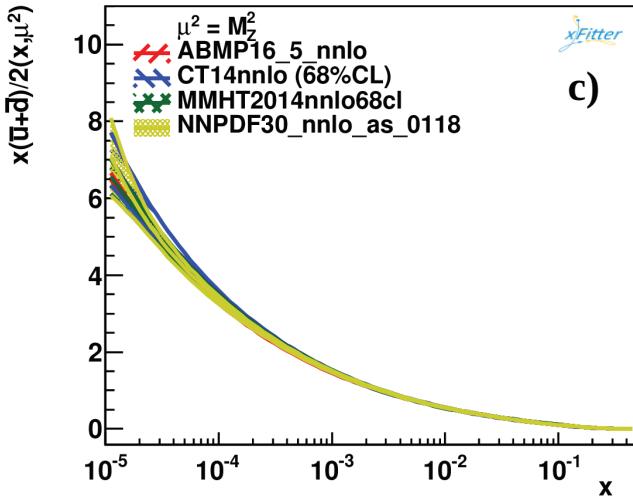
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- Light valence quarks $u(x)$, $d(x)$



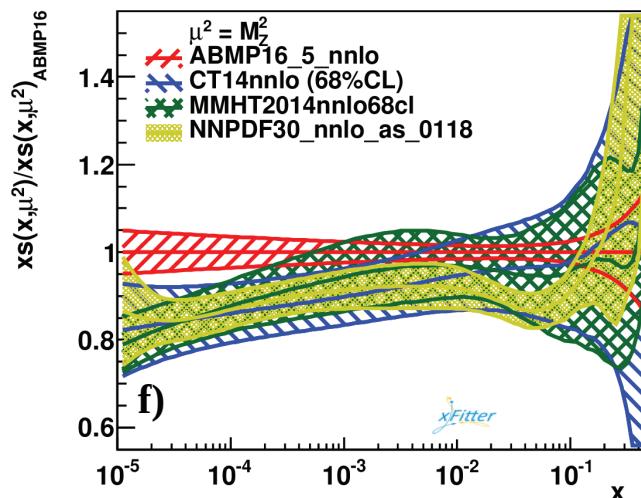
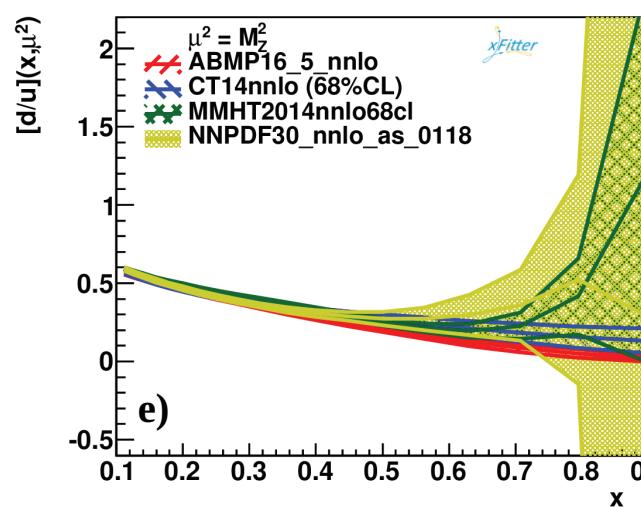
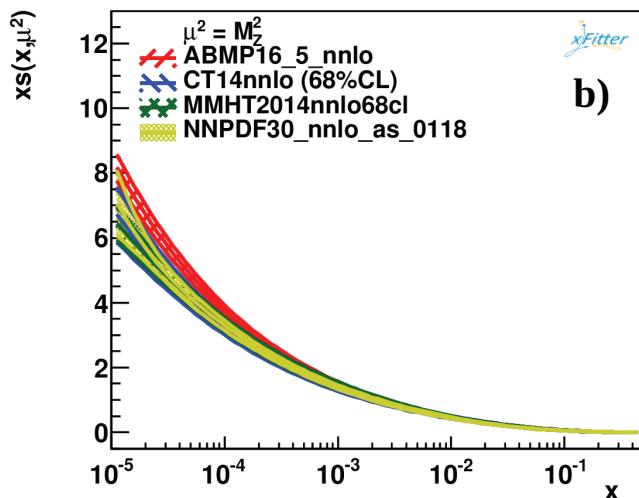
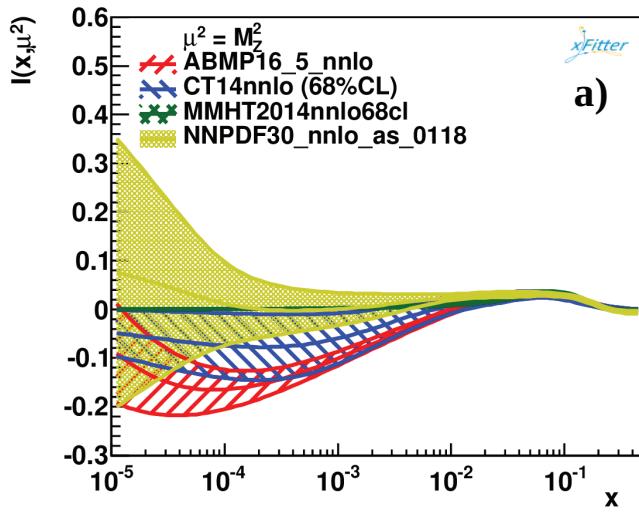
Results for parton distributions (III)

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- Sea quarks $\bar{u}(x) + \bar{d}(x)$



Results for parton distributions (IV)

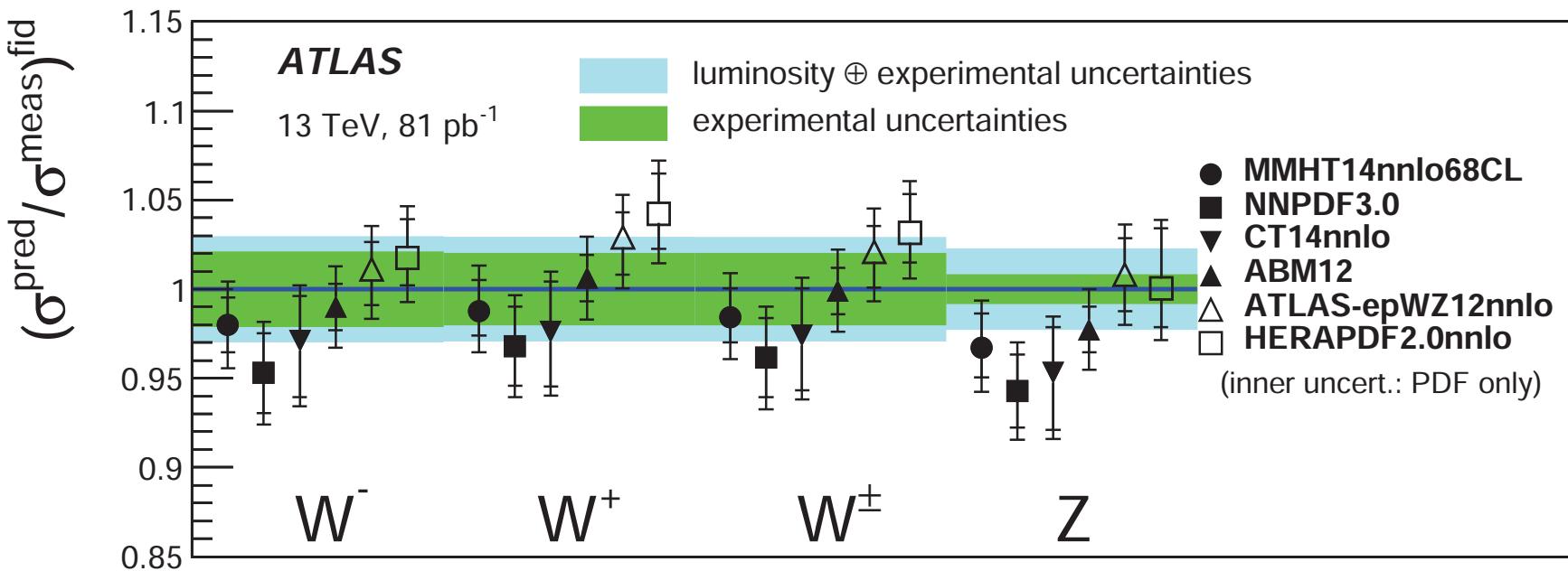
- PDFs with 1σ uncertainty bands; compare ABMP16, CT14, MMHT14 NNPDF3.0
- Iso-spin asymmetry $x(\bar{d}(x) - \bar{u}(x))$; ratio $d(x)/u(x)$; strange $s(x)$



W^\pm - and Z -boson production

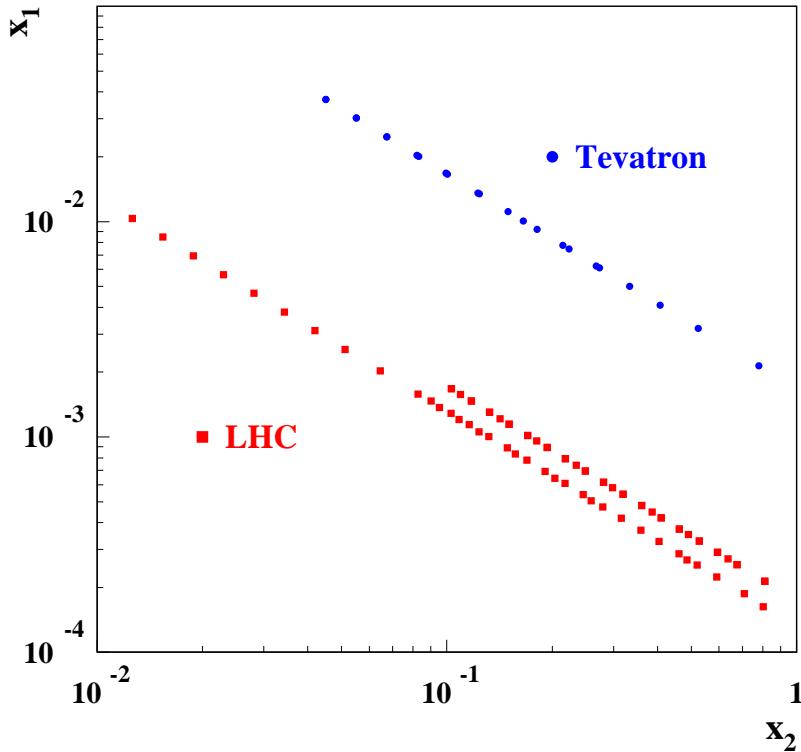
W- and *Z*-boson cross sections

- 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

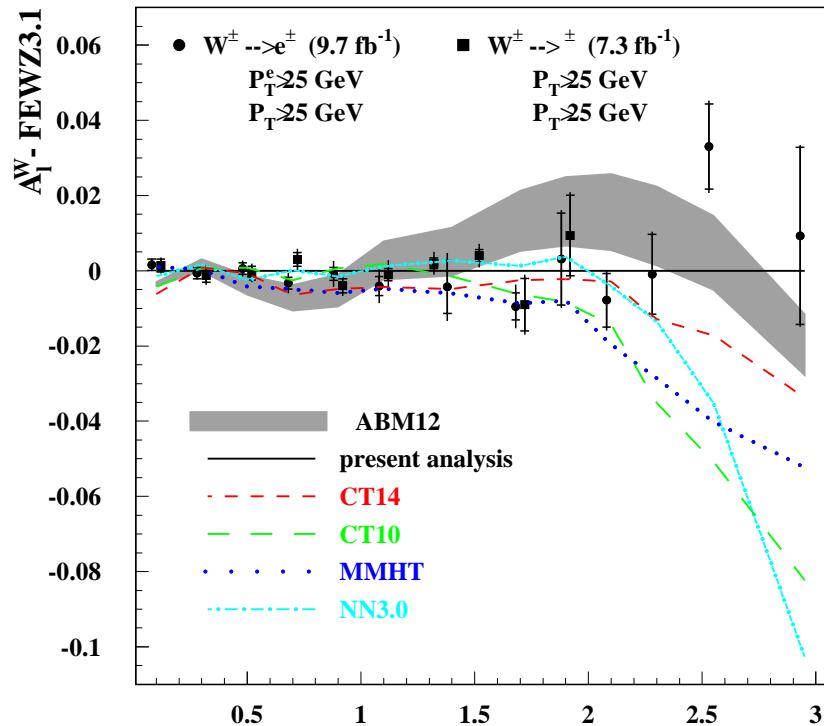
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 - leading order kinematics with $\sigma(W^+) \simeq u(x_2)\bar{d}(x_1)$ and $\sigma(W^-) \simeq d(x_2)\bar{u}(x_1)$ and $\sigma(Z) \simeq Q_u^2 u(x_2)\bar{u}(x_1) + Q_d^2 d(x_2)\bar{d}(x_1)$
 - cf. DIS: $\sigma(\text{DIS}) \simeq q_u^2 u(x) + q_d^2 d(x)$

Tevatron charged lepton asymmetry

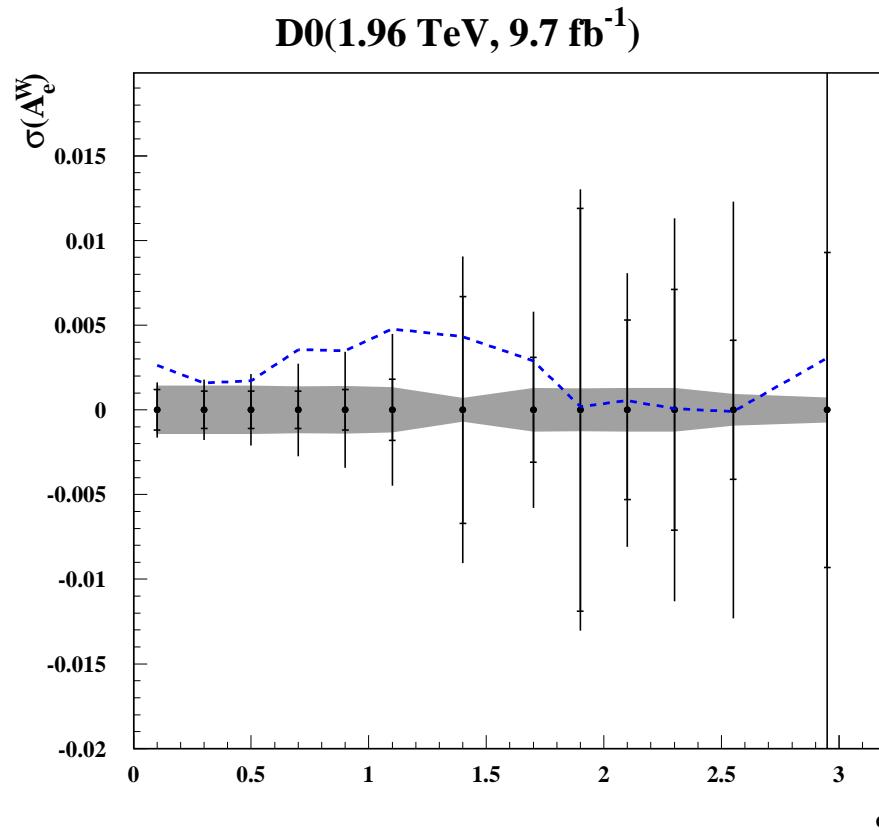
D0 (1.96 TeV)



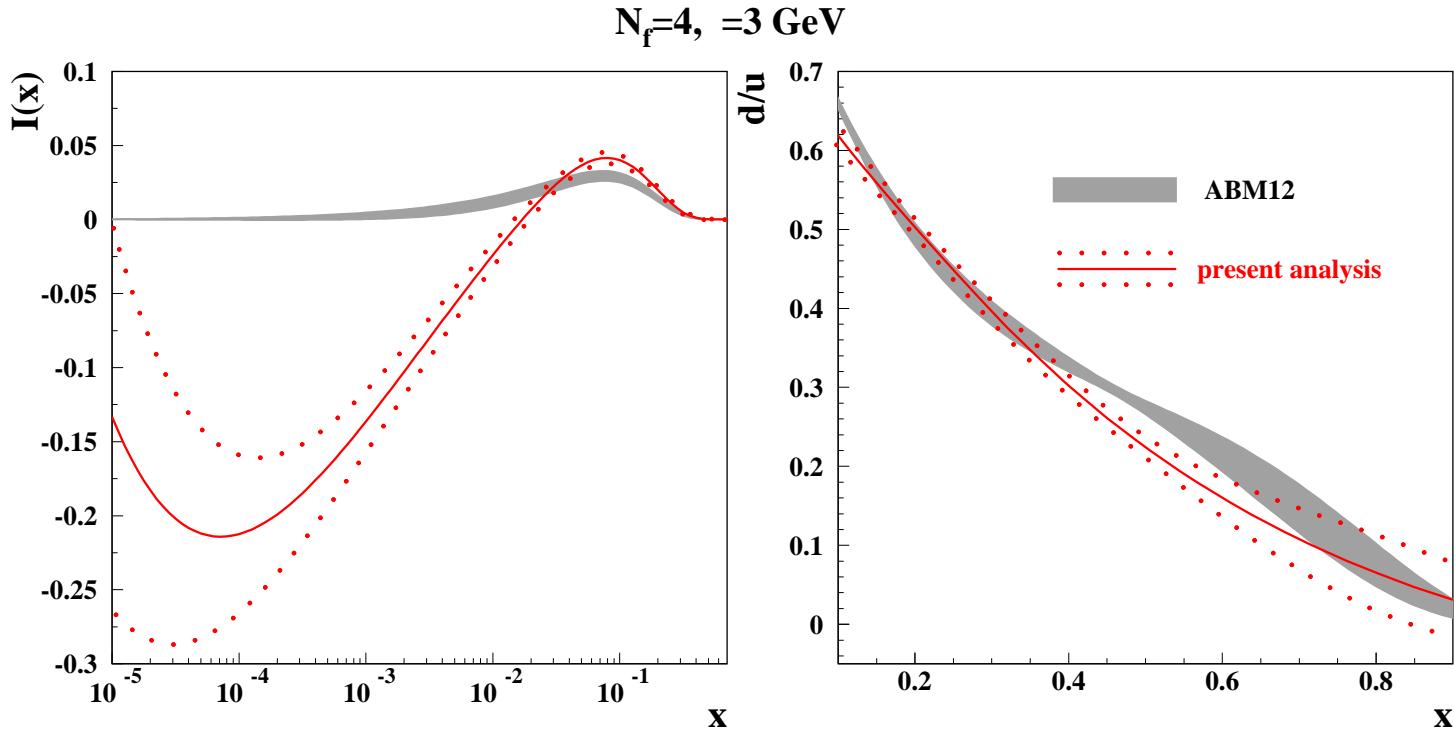
- D0 data for $p\bar{p} \rightarrow W^\pm + X \rightarrow l^\pm \nu$ (electrons and muons) at $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV
- Charged lepton asymmetry as function of pseudo-lepton rapidity η_l
- NNLO QCD predictions with **FEWZ** (version 3.1)
- Comparison with **ABM12** (including combined PDF+ α_s uncertainty),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

Theory issues

- Data on electron asymmetry with high precision at central rapidities D0
- NNLO corrections in coefficient functions not uniform in η_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 $\mathcal{O}(10^4 h)$ of running FEWZ (v3.1) at NNLO

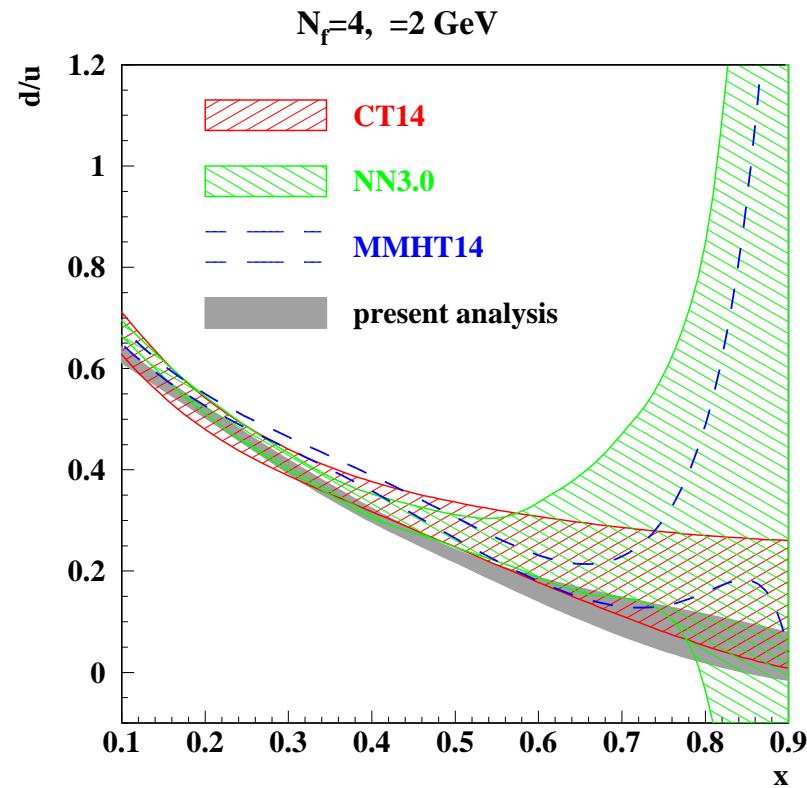
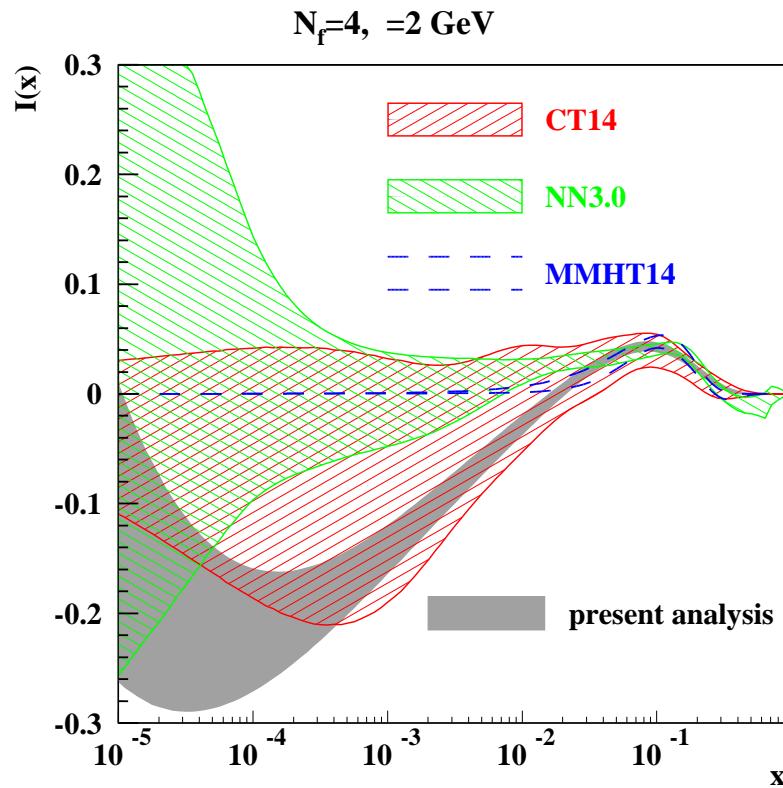


Light flavor PDFs



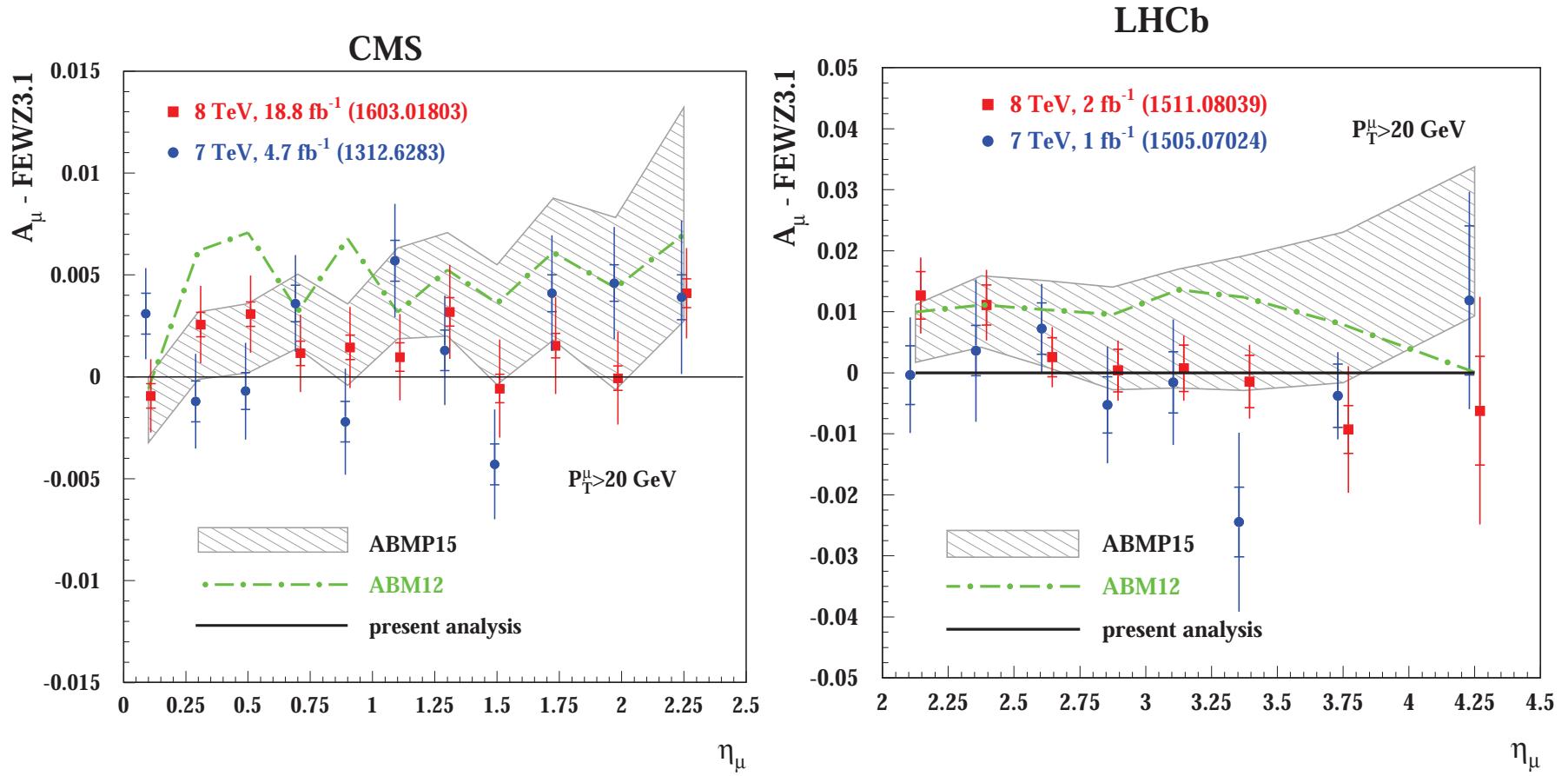
- Light flavor decomposition not well constrained in DIS data
 - ratio d/u at large x from fixed target Drell-Yan data E-605, E-866 at the price of modelling nuclear corrections
- Iso-spin asymmetry of sea $I(x) = \bar{d} - \bar{u}$
 - Regge theory arguments for small x predict $I(x) \simeq 0$
 - $I(x)$ 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 1σ 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

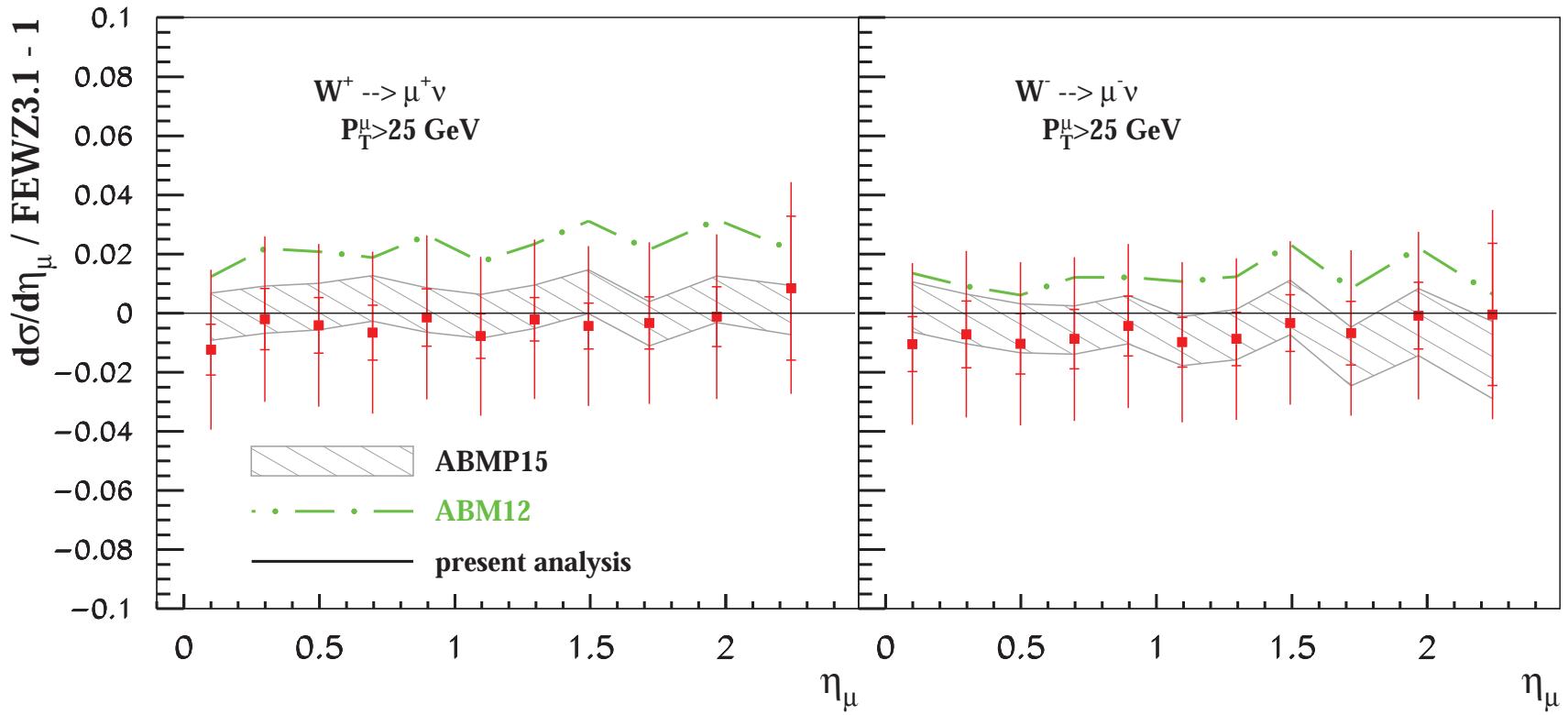
Muon charge asymmetry from LHC



- 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

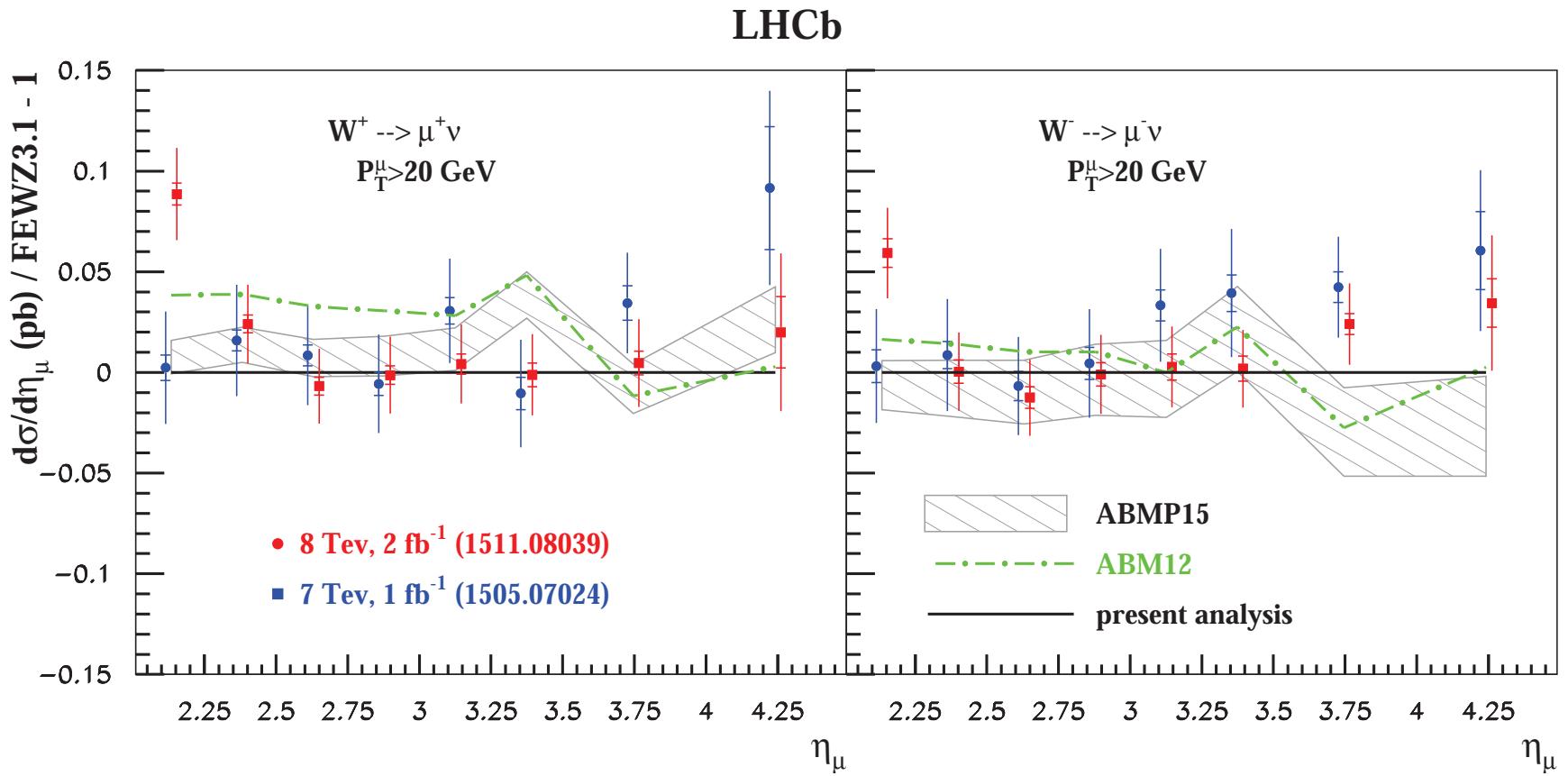
W^\pm -boson production from LHC (I)

CMS (8 TeV, 18.8 fb $^{-1}$) 1603.01803



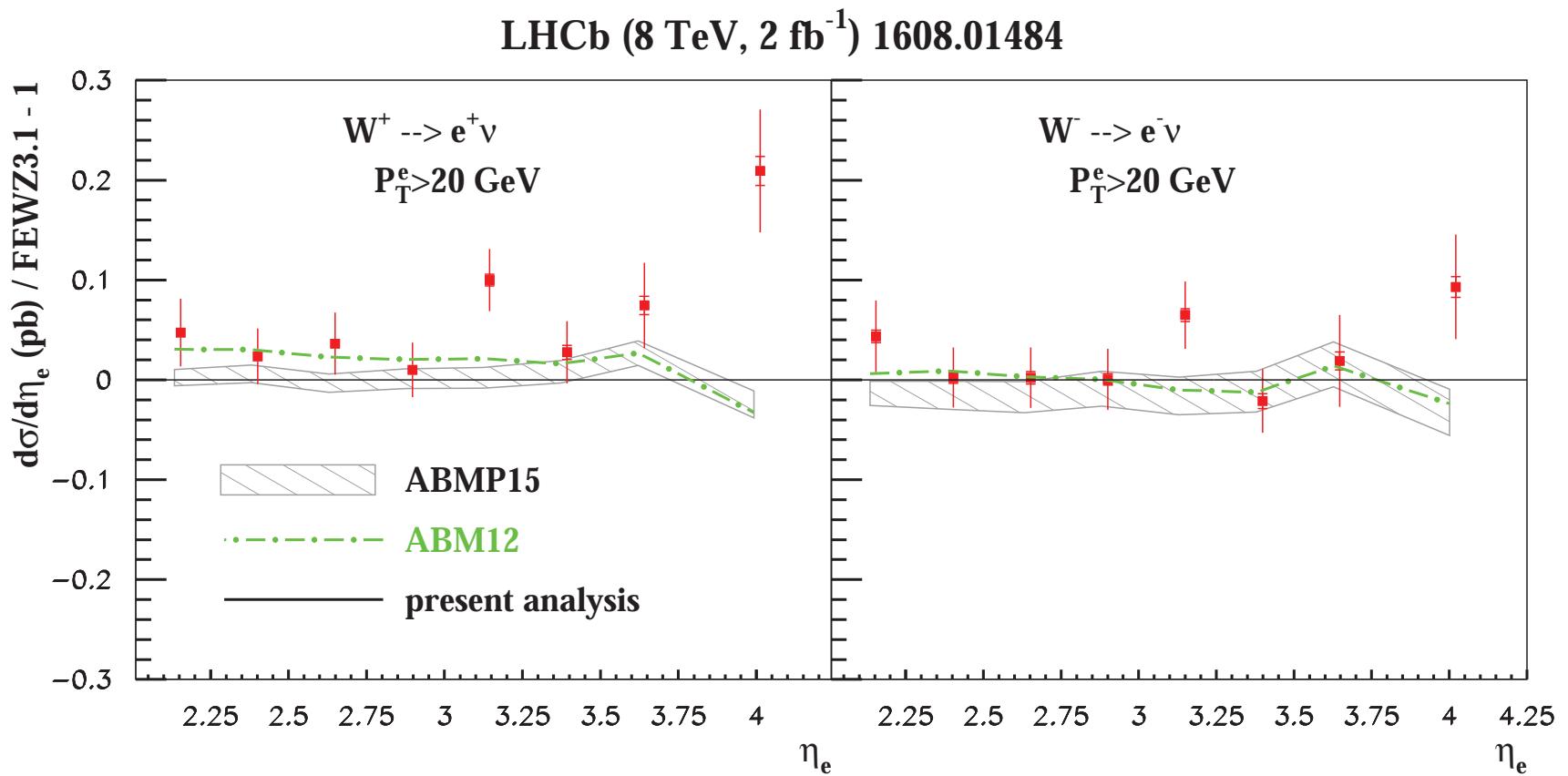
- CMS data on cross section of inclusive W^\pm -boson production at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$
 - channel $W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu$

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



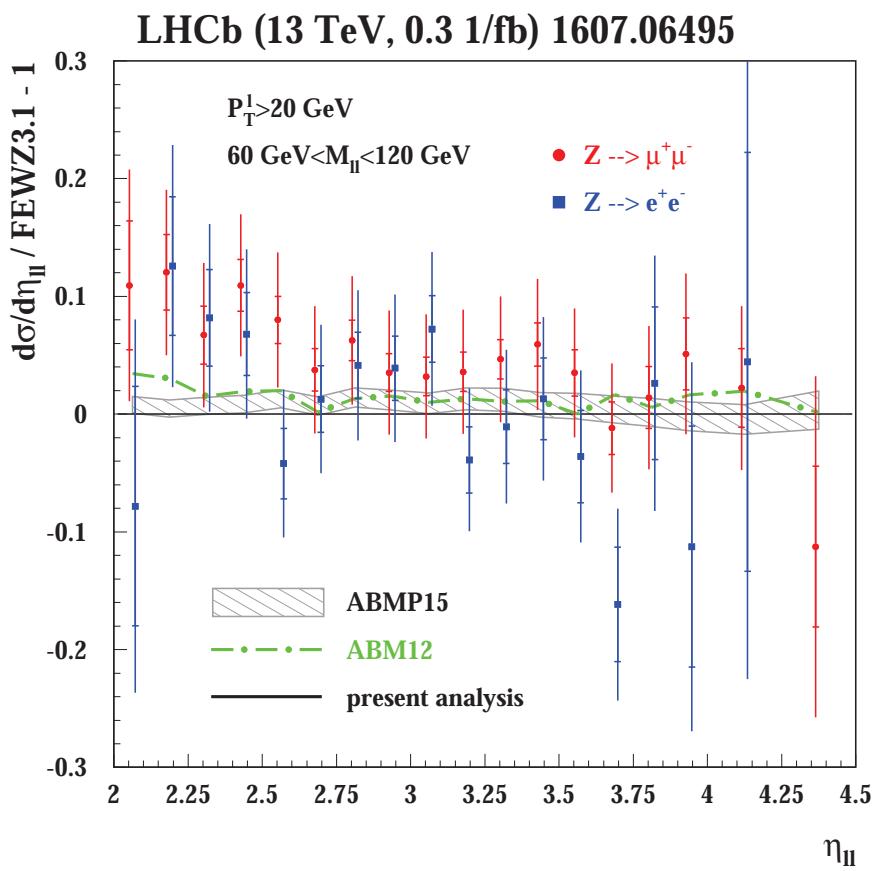
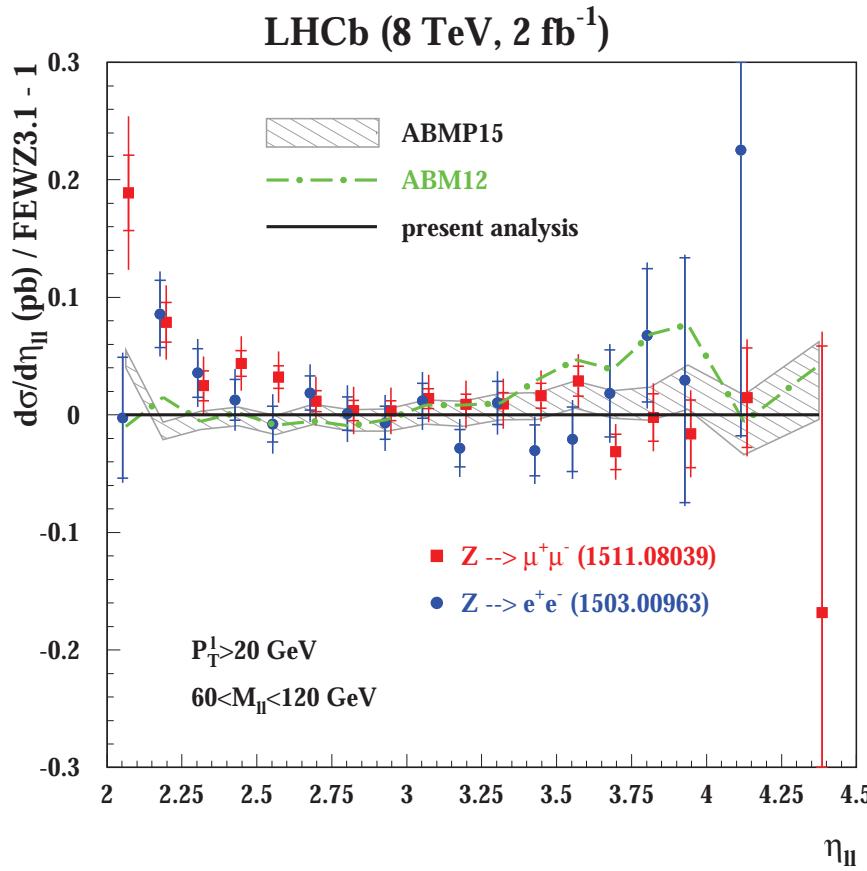
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- Points at $\eta_\mu = 2.125$ for $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ are not used in fit

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



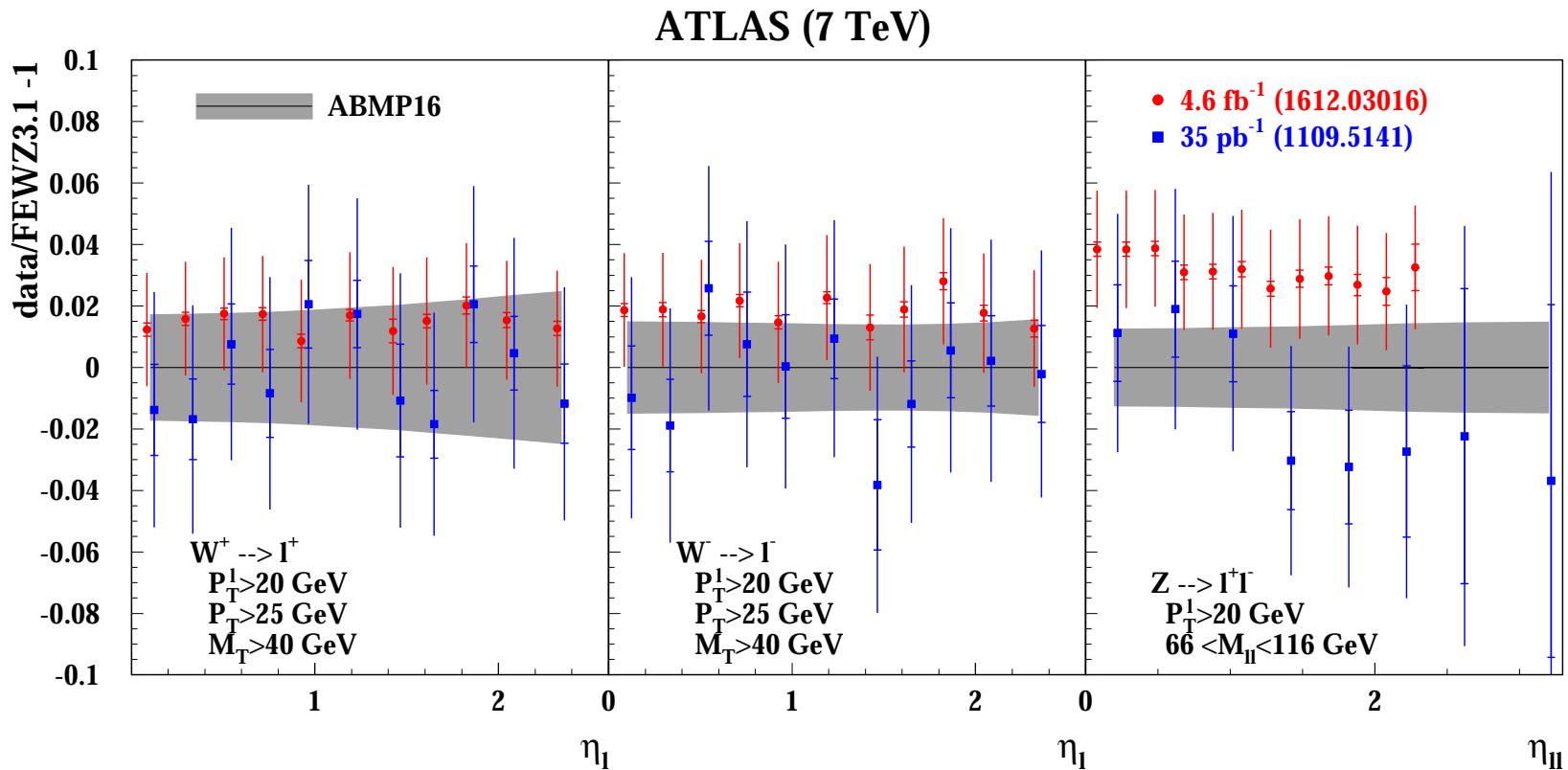
- LHCb data on cross section of inclusive W^\pm -boson production at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV
 - channel $W^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm \nu$

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 $Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

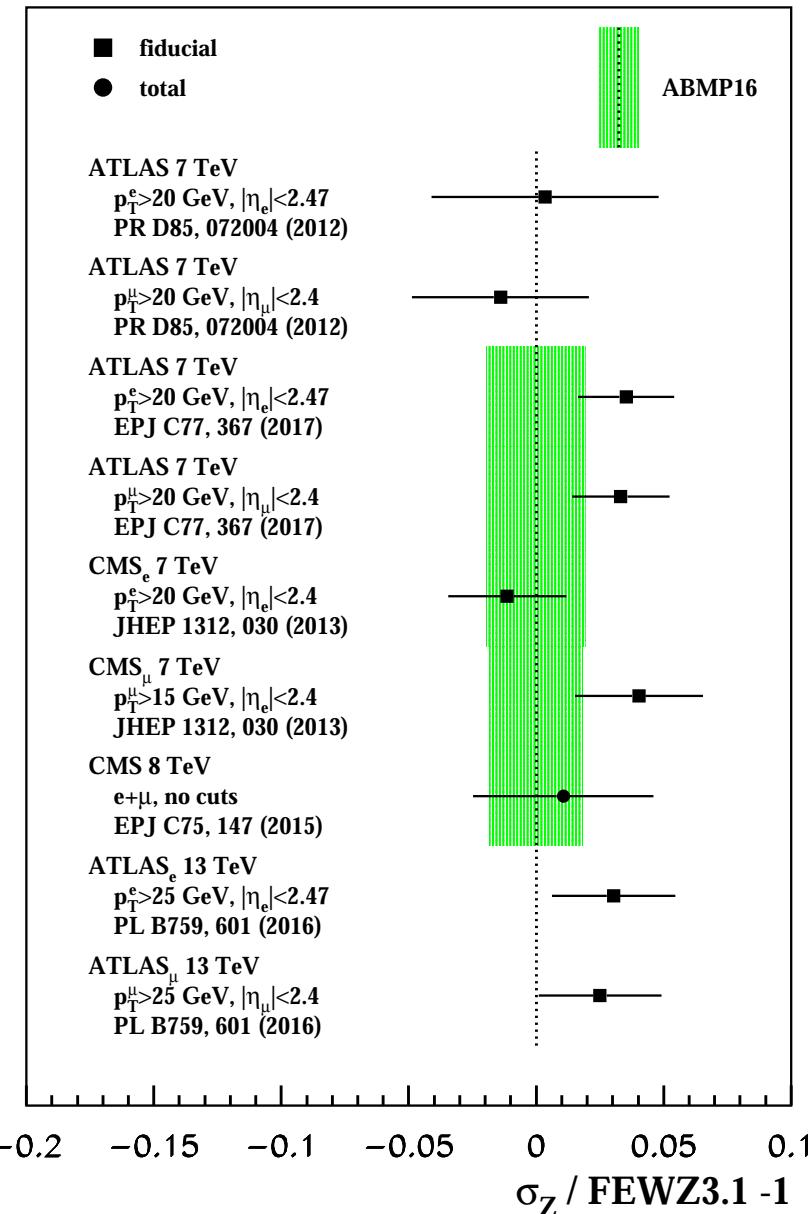
New W^\pm - and Z -boson production from LHC



- 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 pb^{-1} (2011) (blue squares)
 - collected at luminosity of 4.6 fb^{-1} (2016) (red circles)

Pulls of Z -boson production from LHC

$Z \rightarrow l^+l^-$

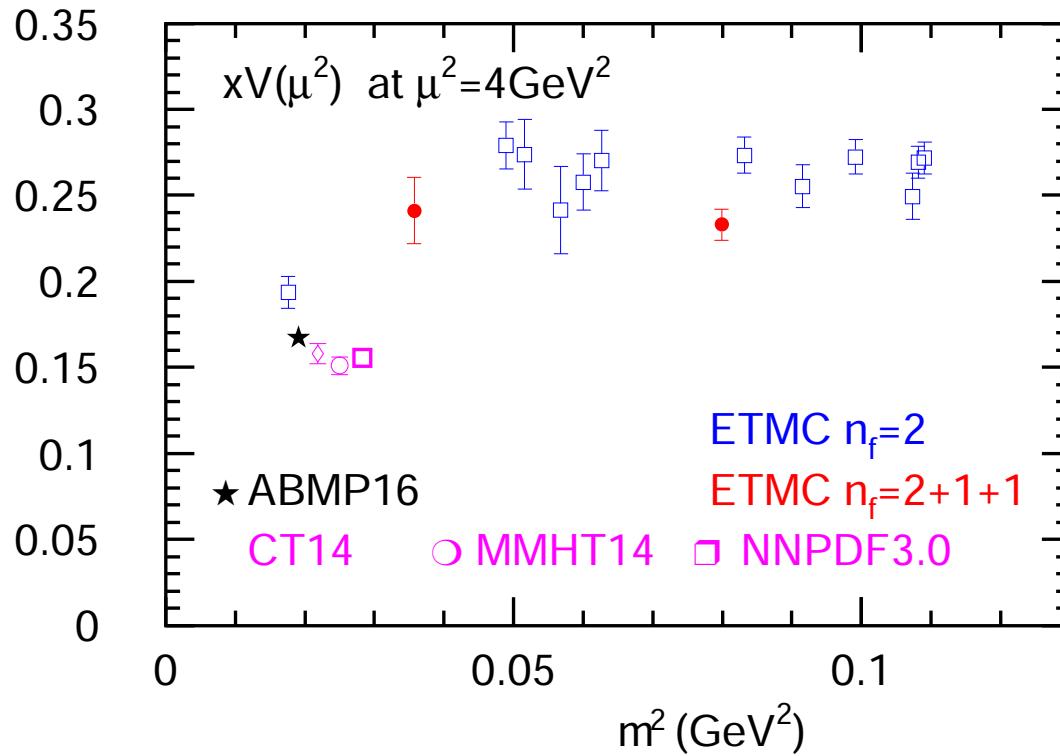


- Integrated cross sections of Z -boson production in proton-proton collisions in central-region measured by **ATLAS** and **CMS** in e - and μ -decay channels at different center-of-mass energies

Lattice results

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

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



Alekhin, Blümlein, S.M. '17

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

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	$\langle xu_v(x) \rangle$	$\langle xd_v(x) \rangle$	$\langle x[u_v - d_v](x) \rangle$	$\langle xV(x) \rangle$
ABM11 Alekhin, Blümlein, S.M. '12	0.2966 ± 0.0039	0.1172 ± 0.0050	0.1794 ± 0.0041	0.1652 ± 0.0039
ABM12 Alekhin, Blümlein, S.M. '13	0.2950 ± 0.0029	0.1212 ± 0.0016	0.1738 ± 0.0025	0.1617 ± 0.0031
ABMP16 Alekhin, Blümlein, S.M., Placakyte '17	0.2911 ± 0.0024	0.1100 ± 0.0031	0.1811 ± 0.0032	0.1674 ± 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 ± 0.0042	0.1183 ± 0.0049	0.1650 ± 0.0054	0.1553 ± 0.0037
NNPDF3.1 Ball et al. '17	0.2888 ± 0.0042	0.1139 ± 0.0048	0.1749 ± 0.0047	0.1533 ± 0.0030

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

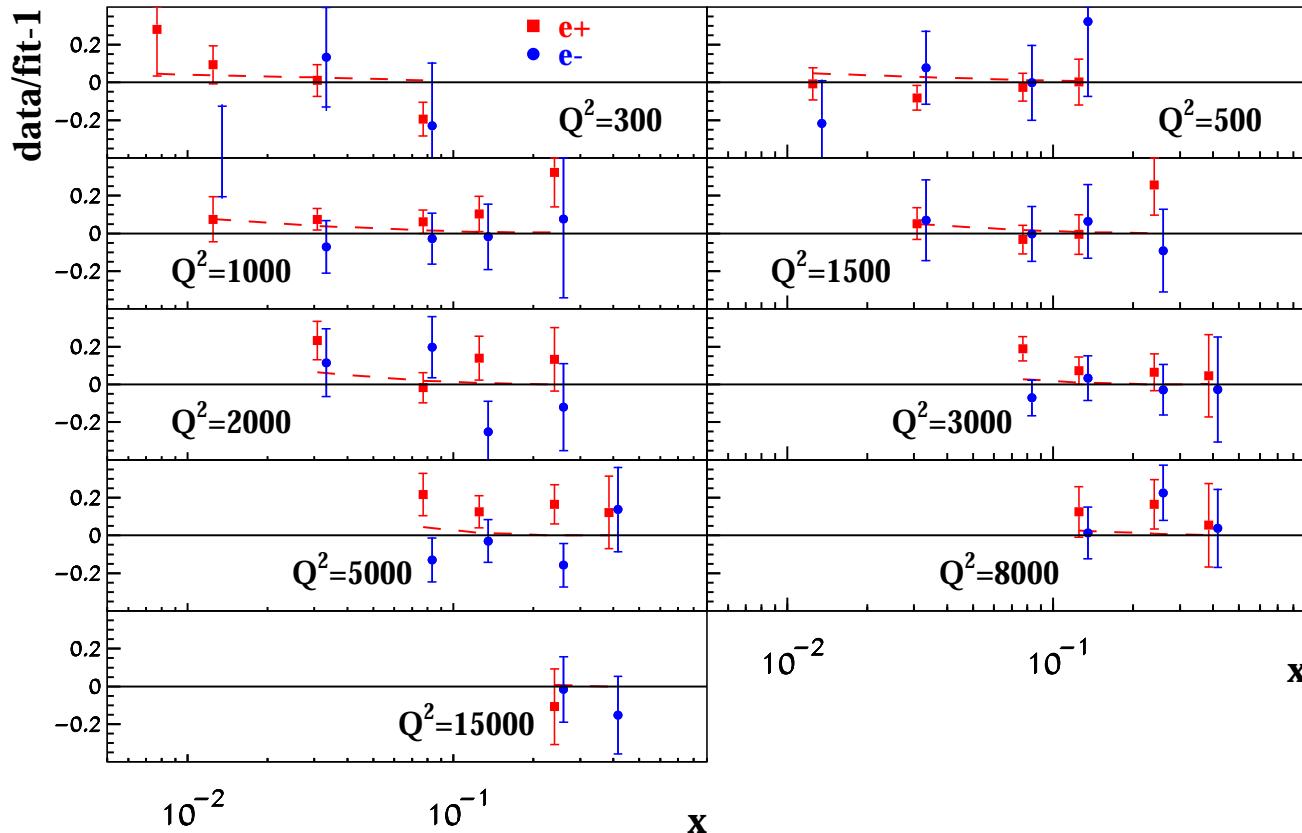
Strange sea in the proton

Strange sea determination

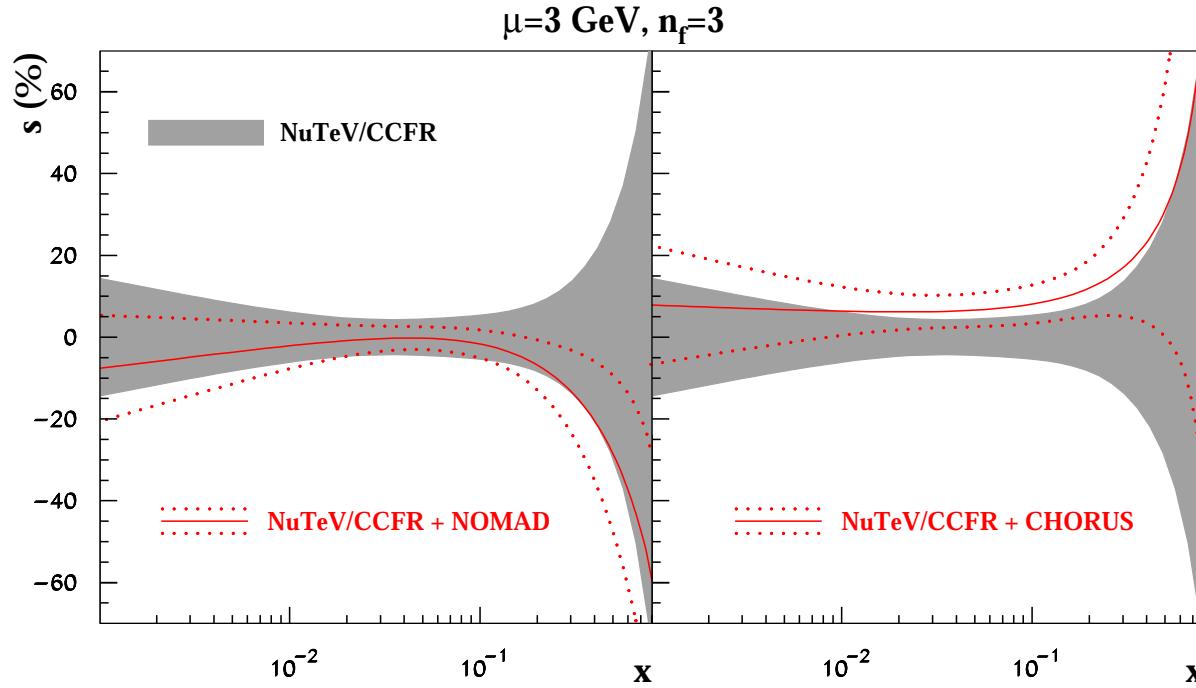
Charged current DIS

Alekhin, Bümelein, Caminada, Lipka, Lohwasser, S.M. Petti, Placakyte '14

- CC DIS inclusive data ([HERA](#)), CC DIS di-muon production data ([NOMAD](#)) and CC DIS charmed-hadron production data ([CHORUS](#))
- Theory description with exact NLO QCD corrections and asymptotic NNLO terms at large $Q^2 \gg m^2$ [Buza van Neerven '97](#)

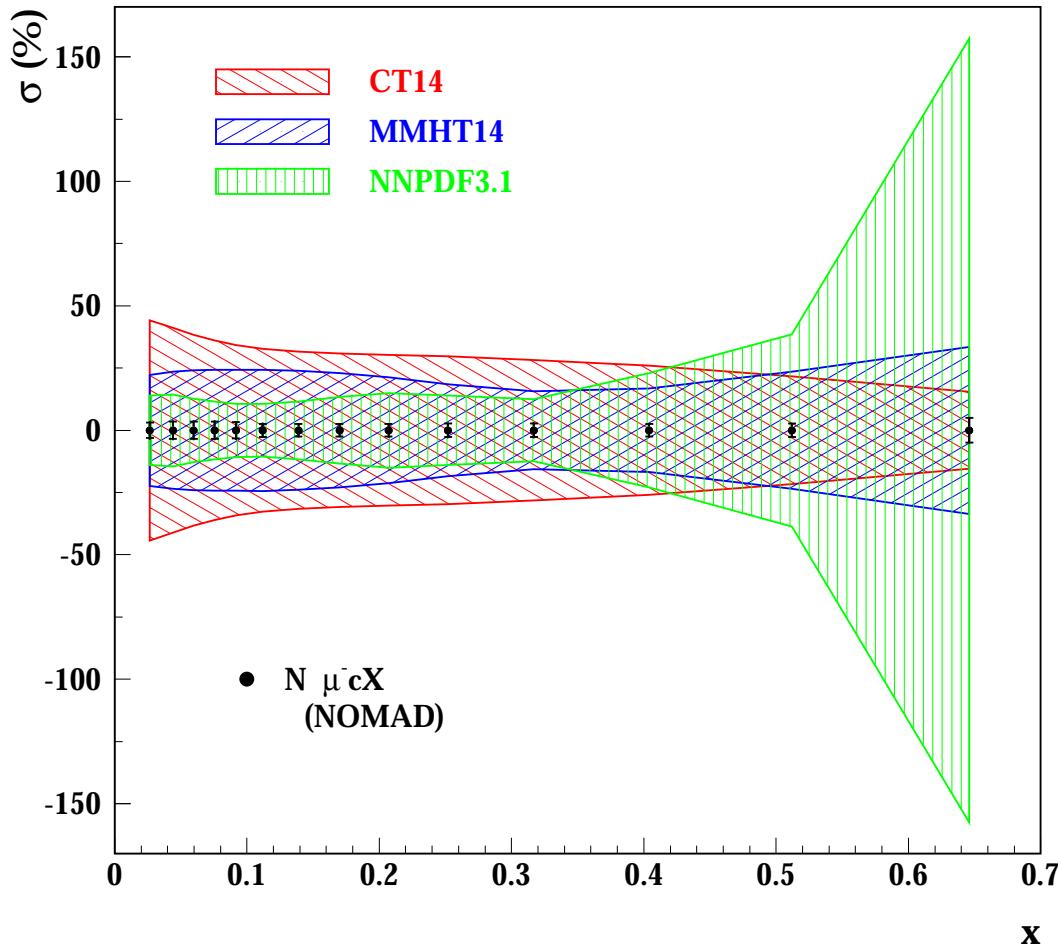


Strange sea from new fixed target data



- NOMAD data on ratio of di-muon sample to incl. CC DIS with statistics of 15000 events (much more than CCFR and NuTeV samples)
 - systematics, nuclear corrections, etc. cancel in ratio
 - pull down strange quarks at $x > 0.1$; sizable reduction of uncertainty
 - $m_c(m_c) = 1.23 \pm 0.03(\text{exp.})\text{GeV}$
- Chorus data pull strangeness up
 - statistical significance of the effect is poor

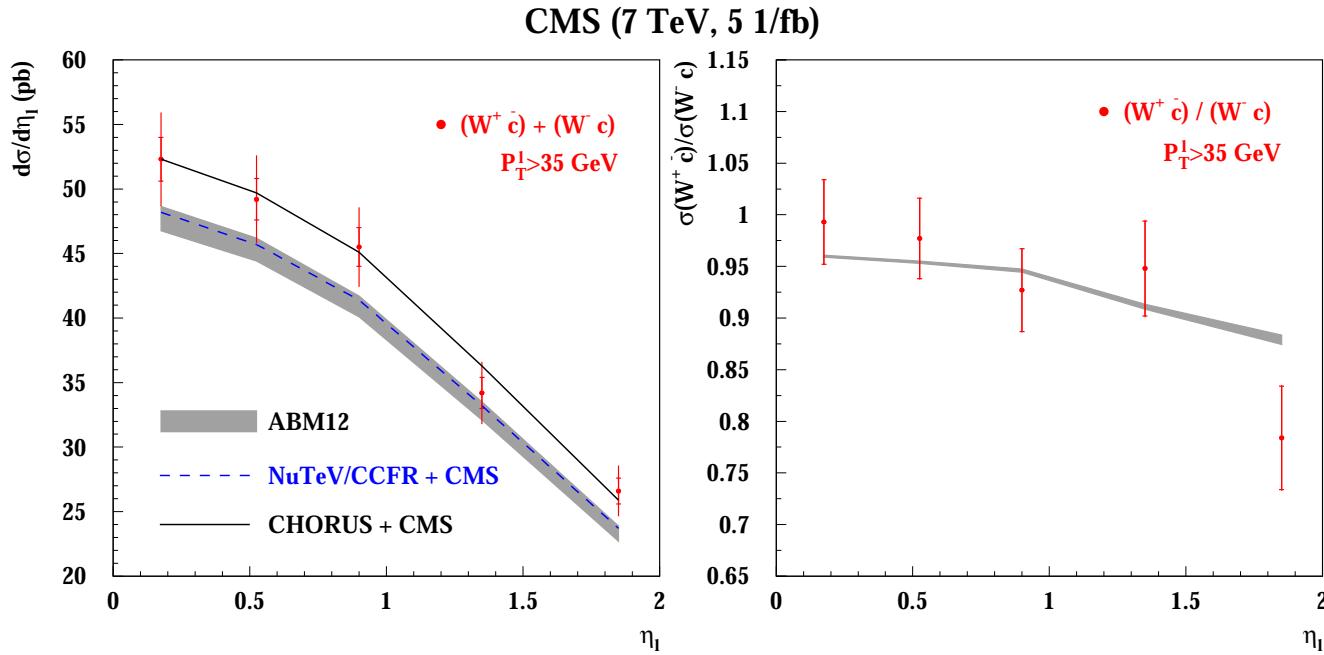
Constraints on the strange sea



- Uncertainties in **NOMAD** data for di-muons from incl. CC DIS versus Bjorken x in comparison to PDF predictions
 - **CT14**, **MMHT14**, **NNPDF3.1** and **ABMP16**

W +charm production at LHC

- Cross check with LHC data for W +charm production

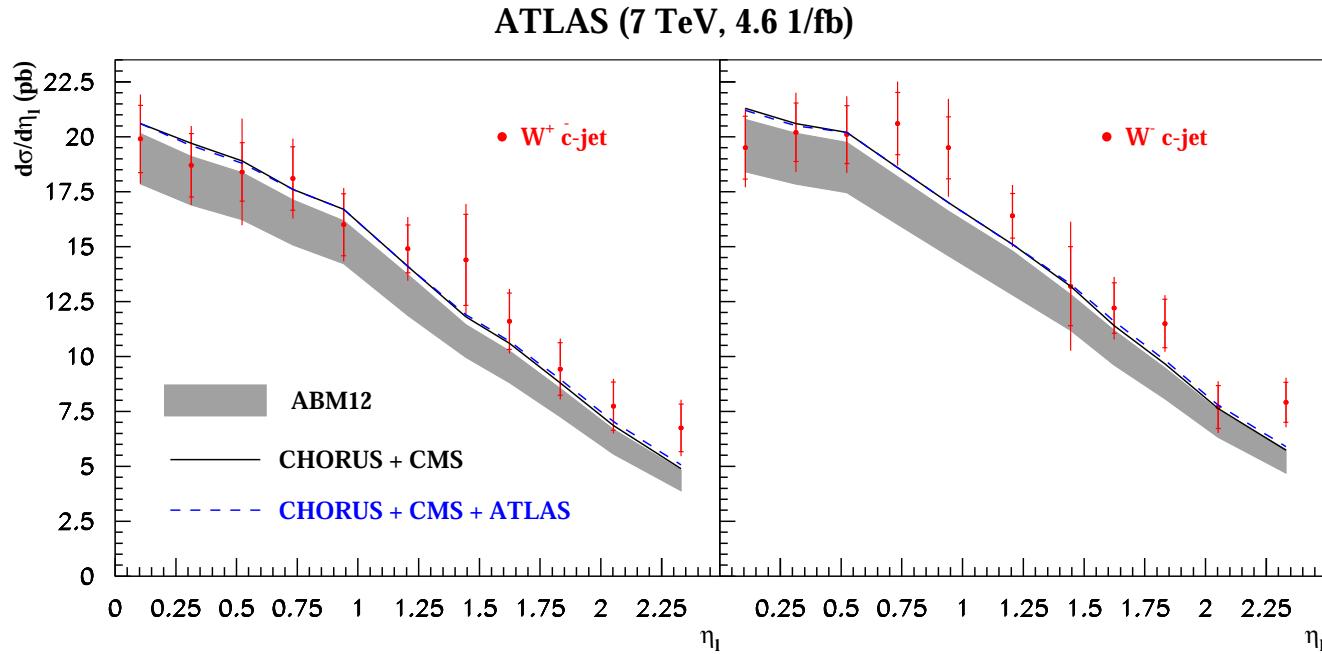


CMS

- CMS data above NuTeV/CCFR by 1σ
- Charge asymmetry in a good agreement with charge-symmetric strange sea

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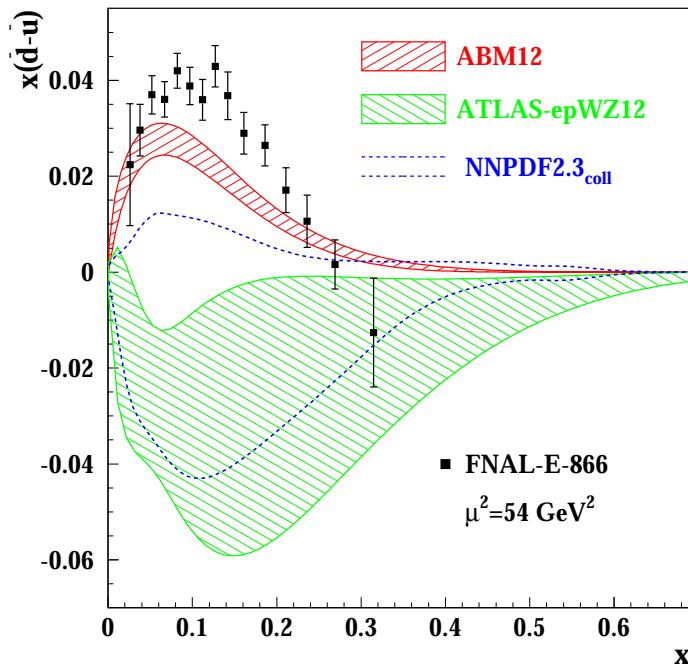
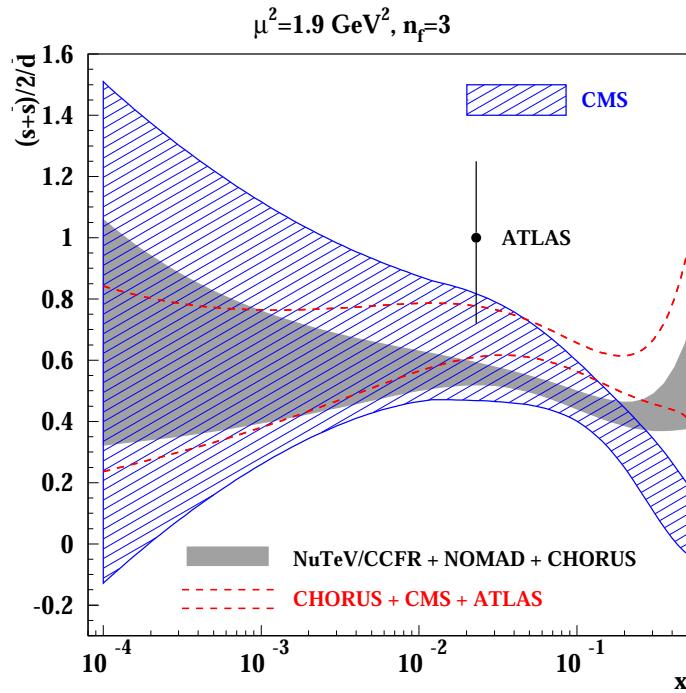
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ATLAS

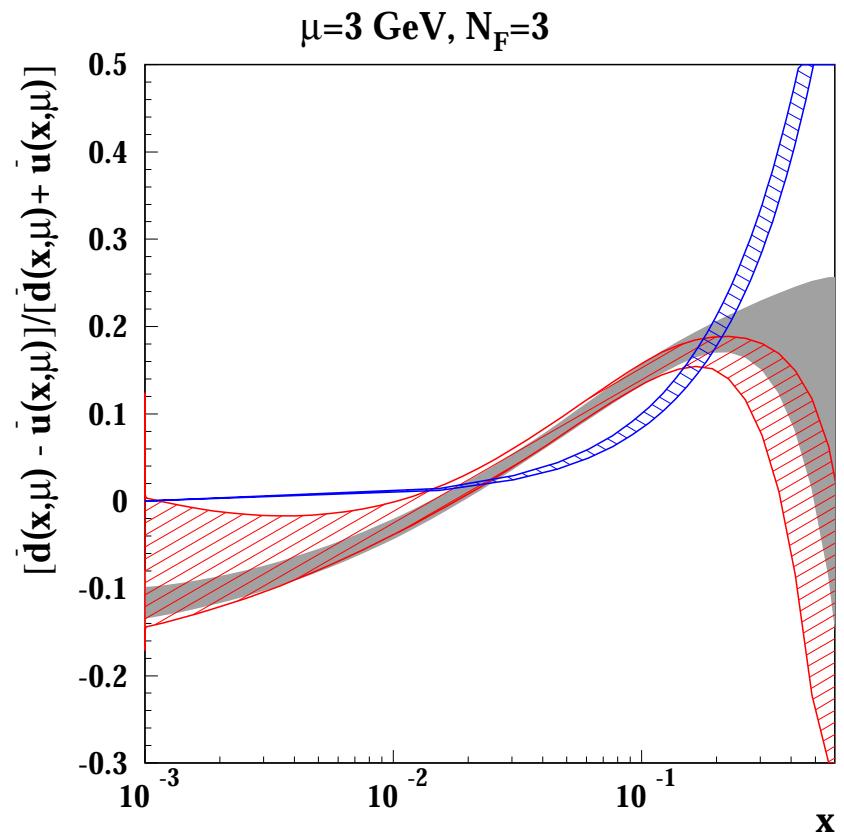
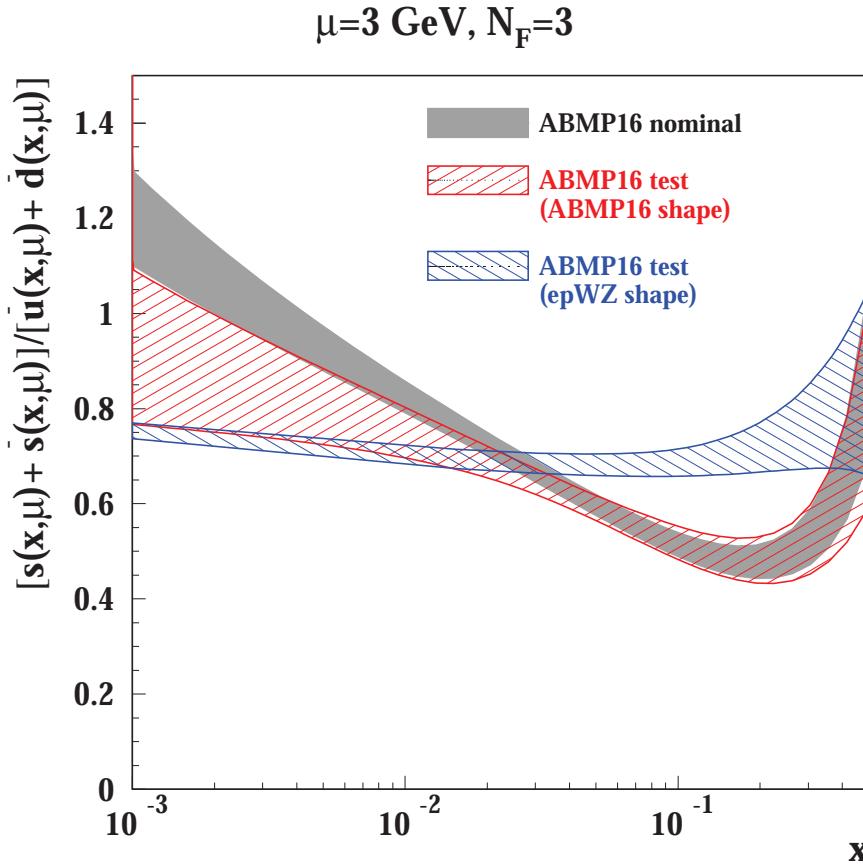
- ATLAS data in good agreement with NuTeV/CCFR
- Highest bin in η_l deviates

Comparision with earlier determinations



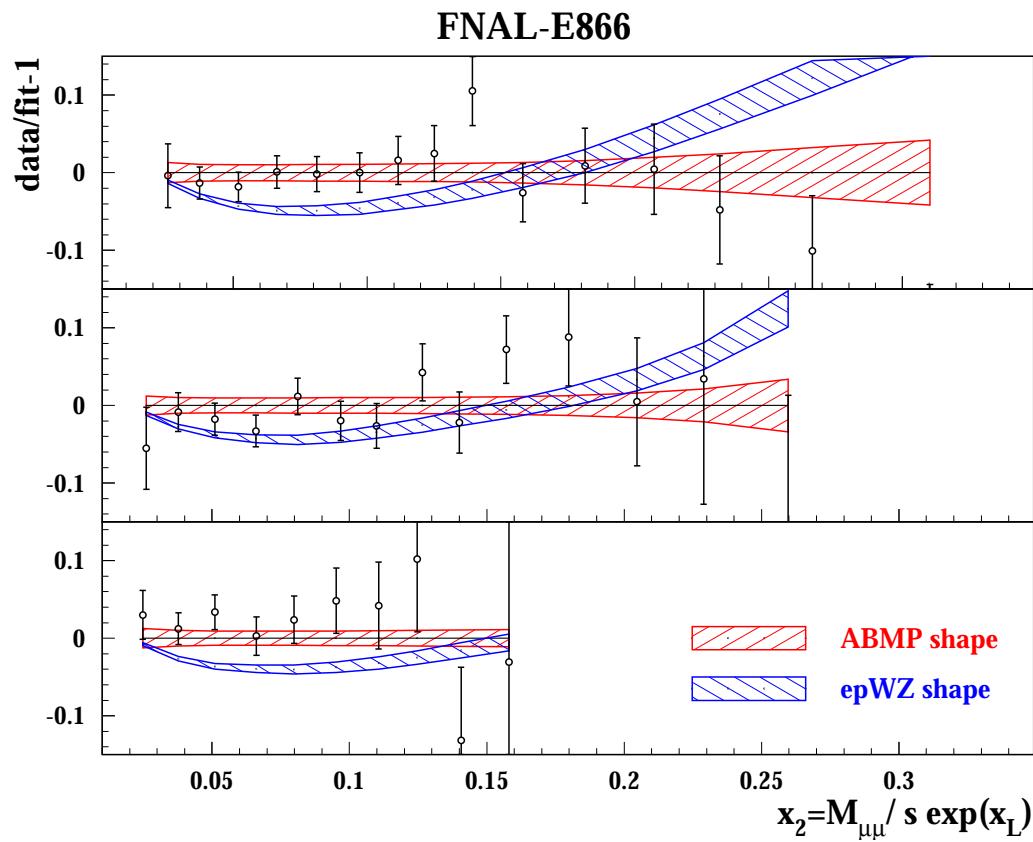
- ABM update (**NuTeV/CCFR+NOMAD+CHORUS**) in good agreement with **CMS** results
- ATLAS strange-sea is enhanced (**epWZ12**), but correlated with d -quark sea suppression (disagreement with the FNAL-**E866** data)
- Upper margin of ABM analysis (**CHORUS+CMS+ATLAS**) is lower than **epWZ12** fit by **ATLAS**

Comparision with recent determinations (I)



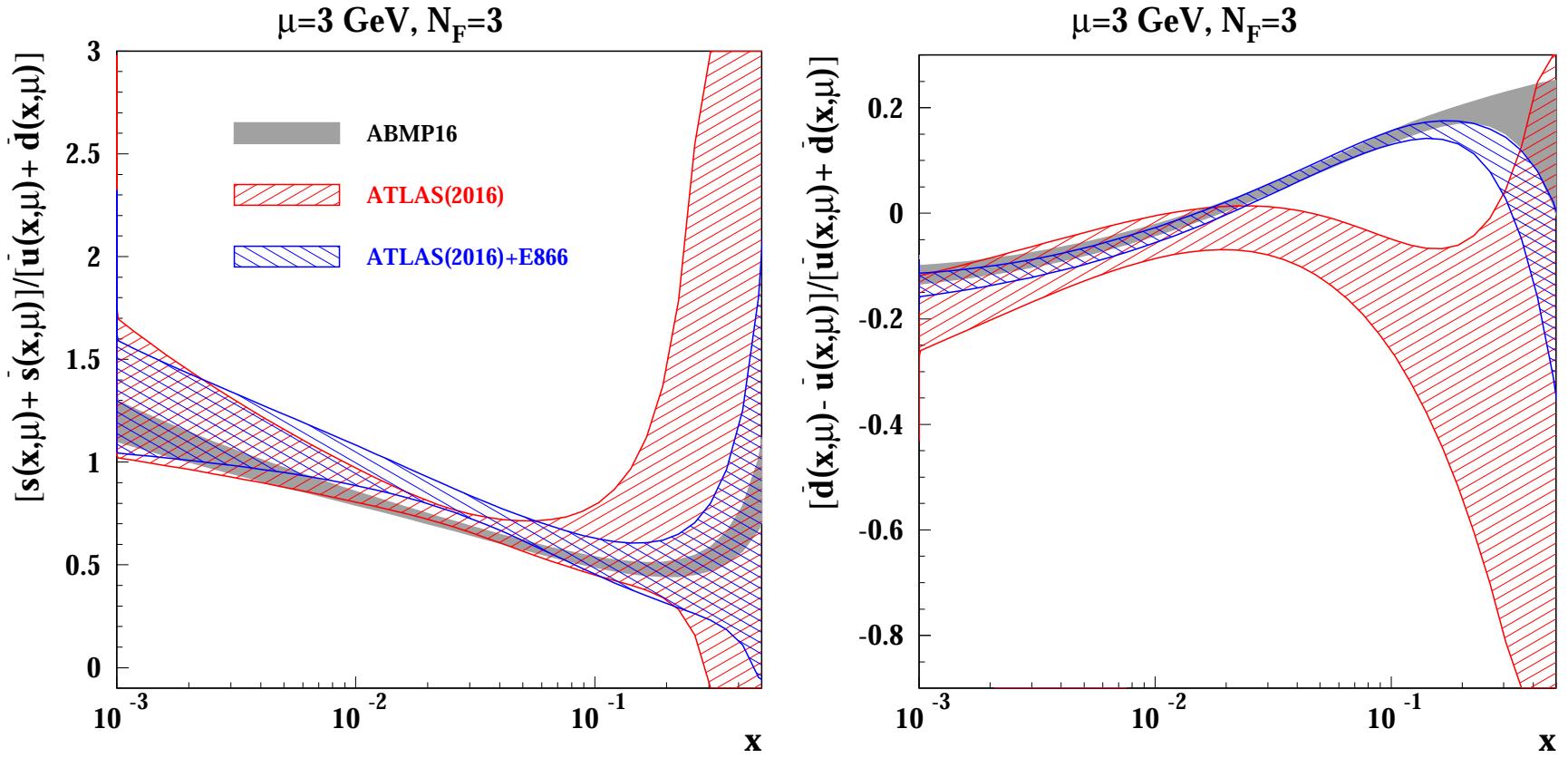
- Strangeness suppression factor $r_s(x, \mu^2) = \frac{s(x, \mu^2) + \bar{s}(x, \mu^2)}{\bar{d}(x, \mu^2) + \bar{u}(x, \mu^2)}$ (left) and sea-quark iso-spin asymmetry $I(x, \mu^2) = \frac{\bar{d}(x, \mu^2) - \bar{u}(x, \mu^2)}{\bar{d}(x, \mu^2) + \bar{u}(x, \mu^2)}$ (right)
- Use of ABMP16 or epWZ16 parametrization shape

Comparision with recent determinations (II)



- Pulls of the E866 data on inclusive di-muon production in proton-proton collisions for ABMP16 or epWZ16 parametrization shape

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- Use of ATLAS data with or without E866 data

Summary

- Precision determination of non-perturbative parameters is essential
 - parton content of proton (PDFs), strong coupling constant $\alpha_s(M_Z)$, quark masses m_c , m_b , m_t
 - correlations are important and need to be taken into account
- LHC data for W^\pm - and Z -boson production provides valuable information on light flavor PDFs u , d and s over wide range of x
- Strange sea suppression is constrained by data from neutrino-nucleon DIS
 - Strange sea supenhancement in ATLAS analysis epWZ16 is consequence of parametrization bias
- Experimental precision of $\lesssim 1\%$ makes theoretical predictions at NNLO in QCD mandatory
 - efforts towards at N³LO are under way