Charged Current Charm Consortium(C⁴) Demonstration of xFitter with FFNS/VFNS and multi-scale predictions



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Thanks for substantial input from my friends & colleagues

Probing the strange content of the proton with charm production in charged current at LHeC *In development*

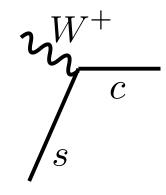
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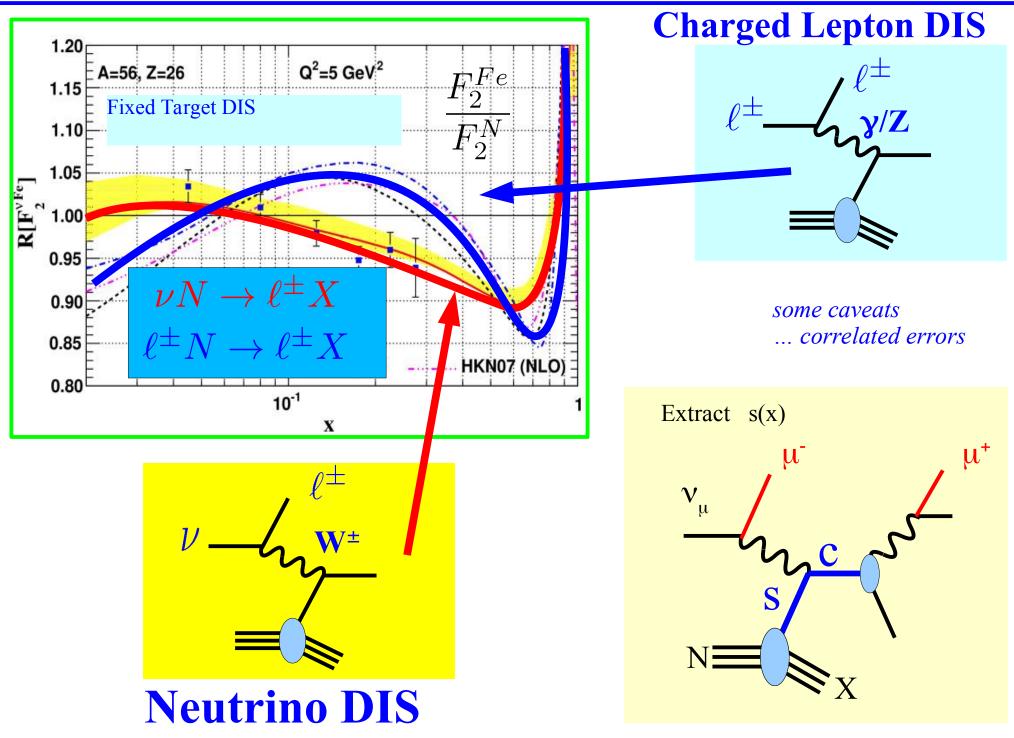
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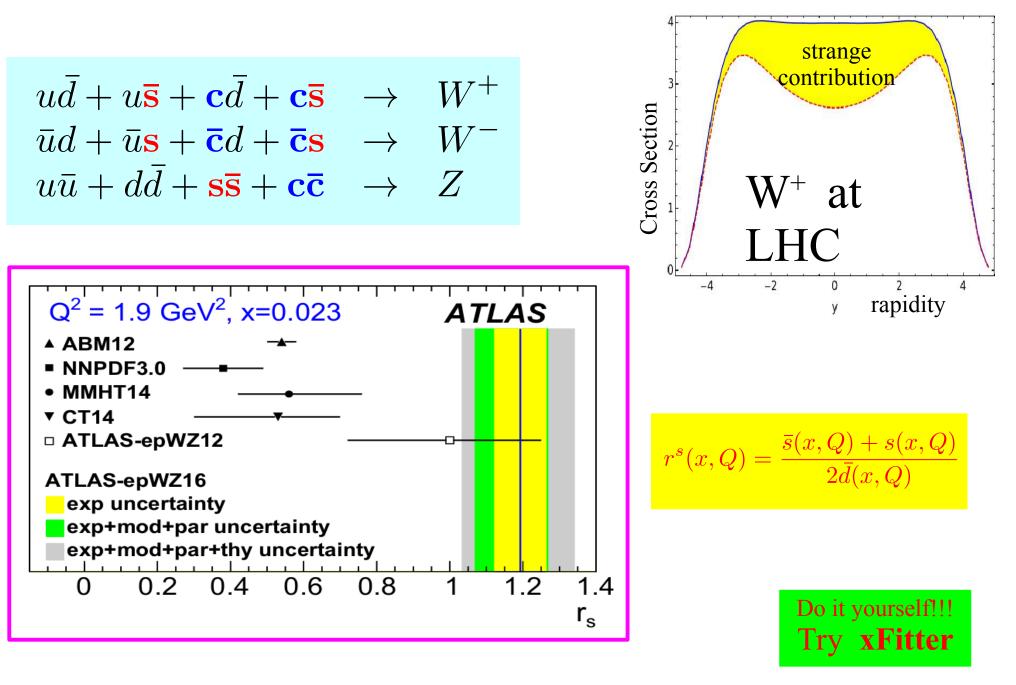
The CC Charm Production at the LHeC *A way to get to s(x) A multi-scale problem {m,m}*



Age Old Puzzle: What is the strange quark PDF ???



High Energy Insight: *W*/*Z Production at LHC and the strange PDF*



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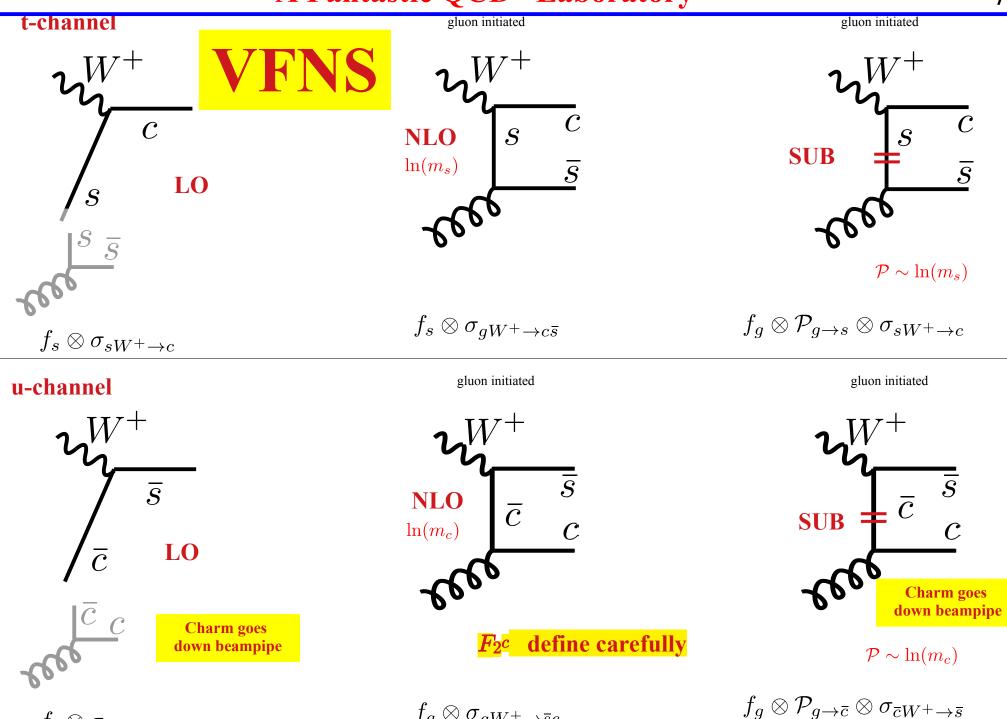
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The CC Charm Production at the LHeC *How do we compute it ??? Contrast FFNS vs. VFNS*

$$\mathcal{W}^+$$

A Fantastic QCD "Laboratory"

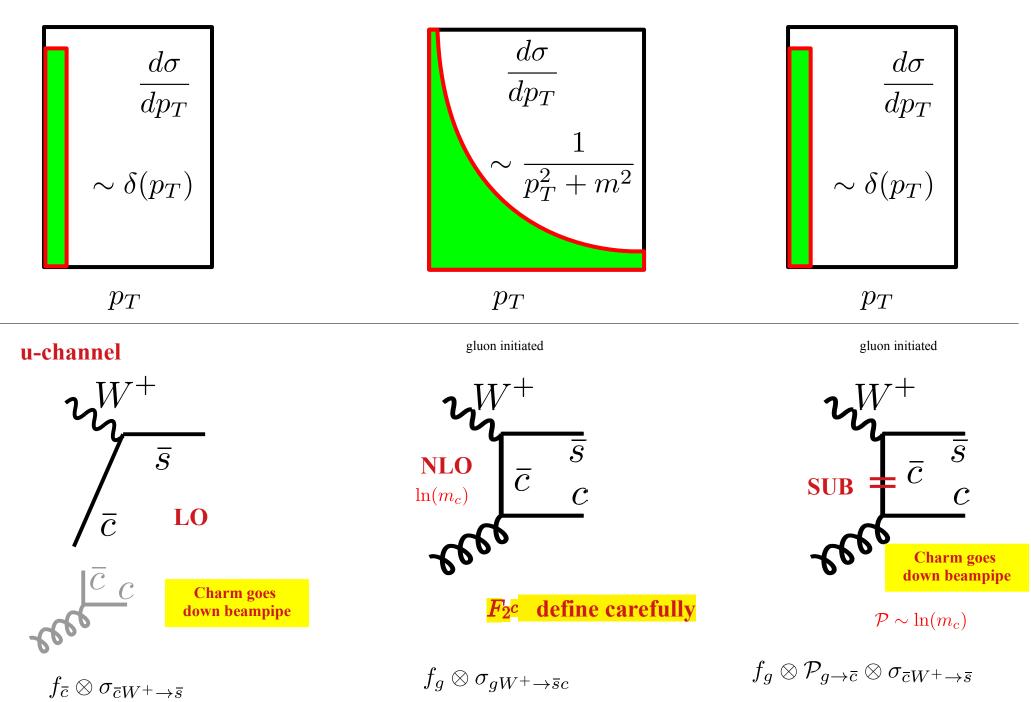


 $f_{\bar{c}}\otimes\sigma_{\bar{c}W^+\to\bar{s}}$

 $f_g \otimes \sigma_{gW^+ \to \overline{s}c}$

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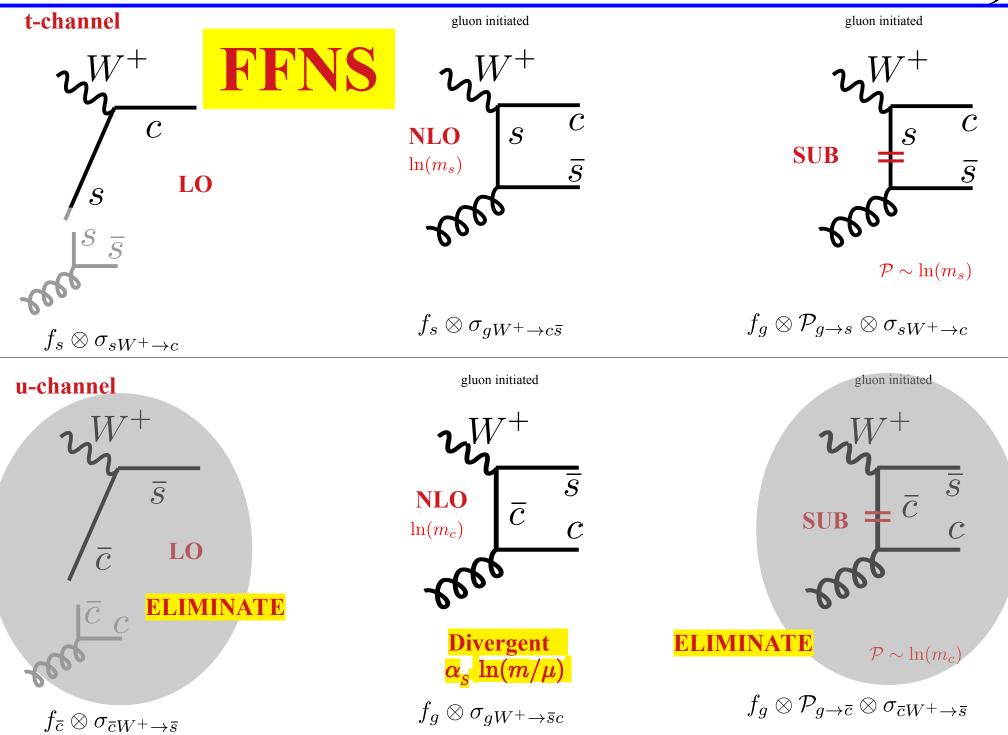
Look in P_T Space



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What if there is no Charm PDF ???

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Let's look at some limits...

Hi Q², Hi x

Compare FFNS and VFNS acrosss kinematic range

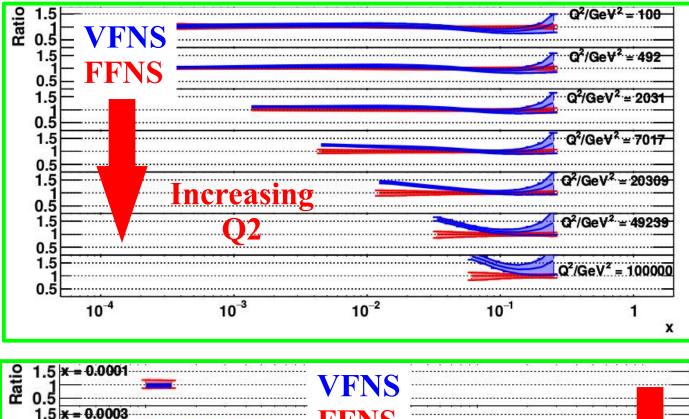
Ratio Plot: VFNS FFNS

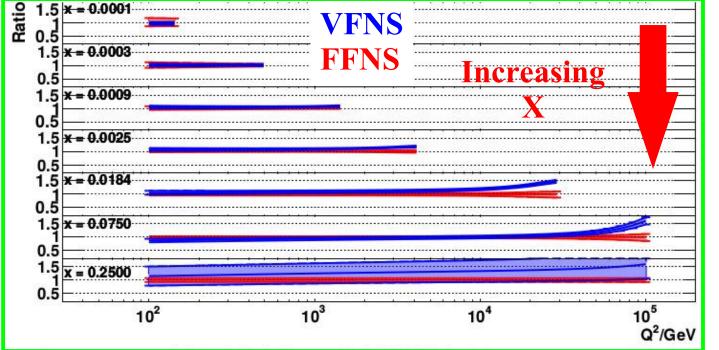
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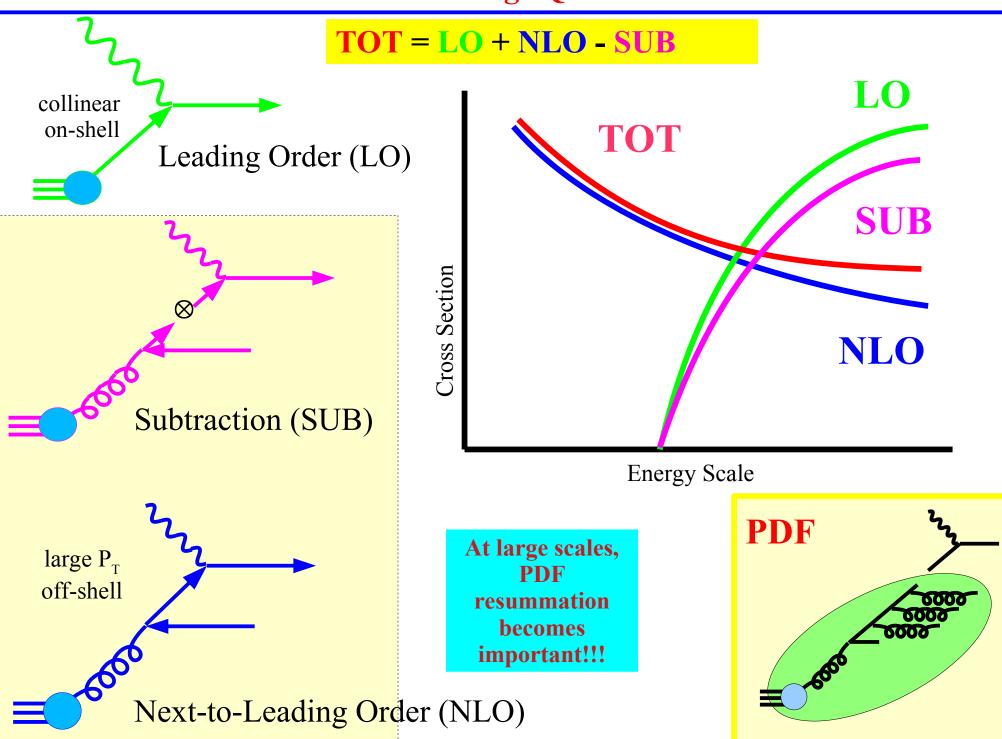
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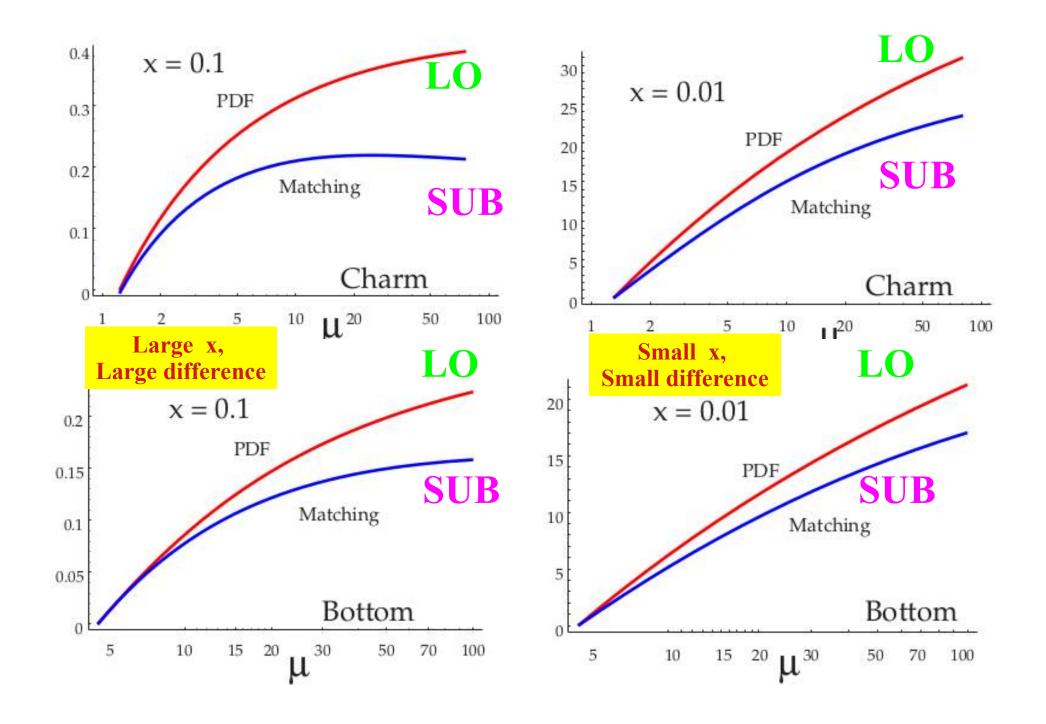
ii) large X





Source of the large Q difference

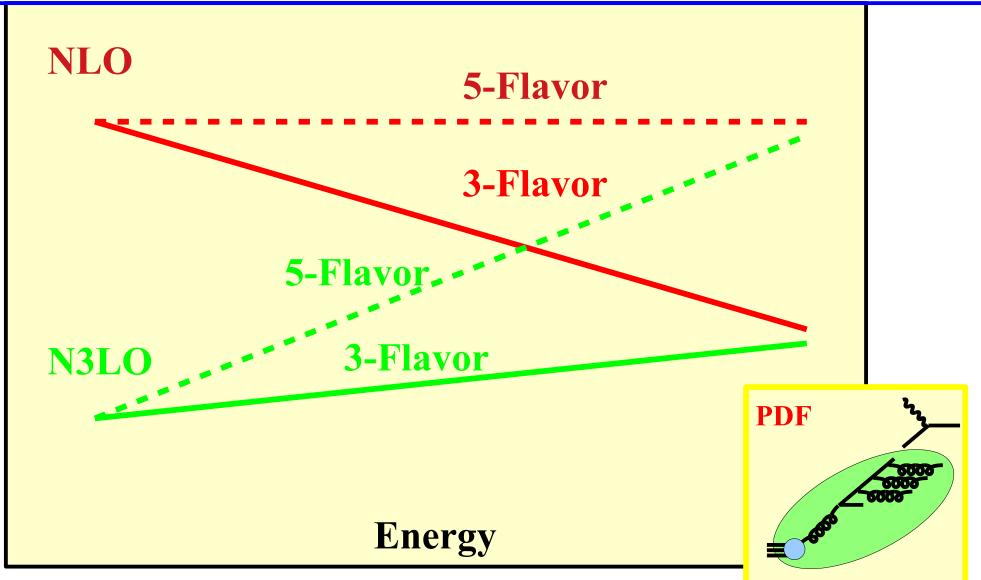




When must we switch to VFNS?

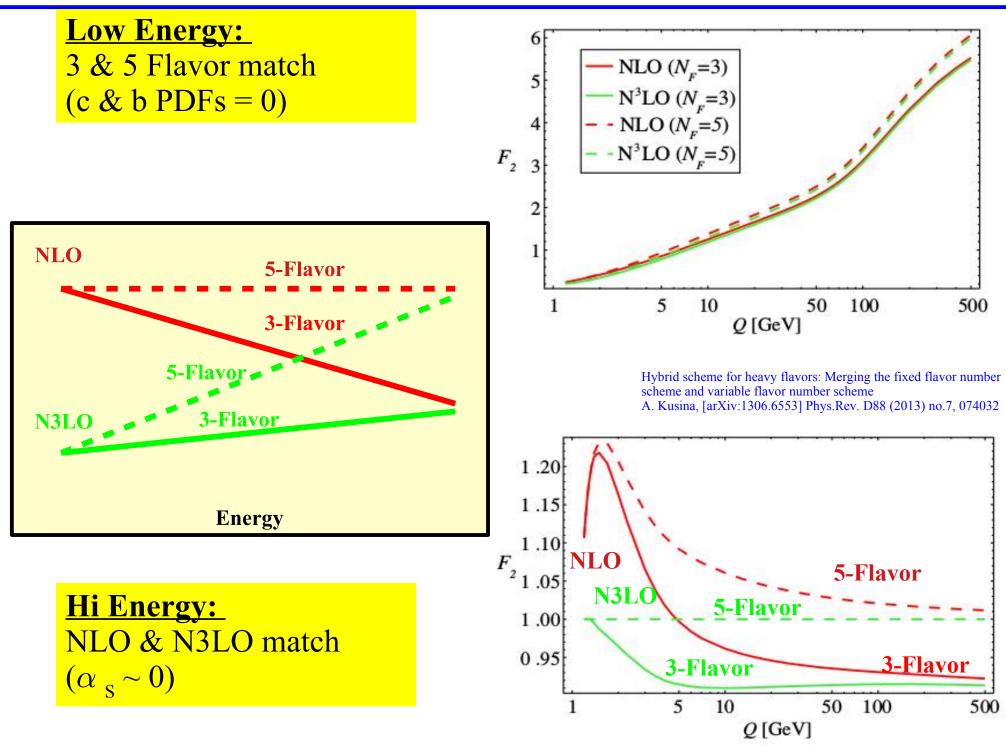
One measure, when the difference between FFNS and VFNS is larger than the higher order correction.

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<u>Low Energy:</u> 3 & 5 Flavor match (c & b PDFs = 0) **<u>Hi Energy:</u>** NLO & N3LO match $(\alpha_s \sim 0)$

When should we switch from FFNS to VFNS



Compare FFNS and VFNS acrosss kinematic range

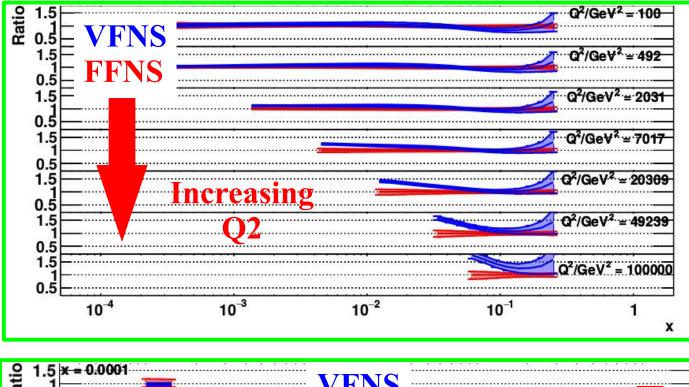
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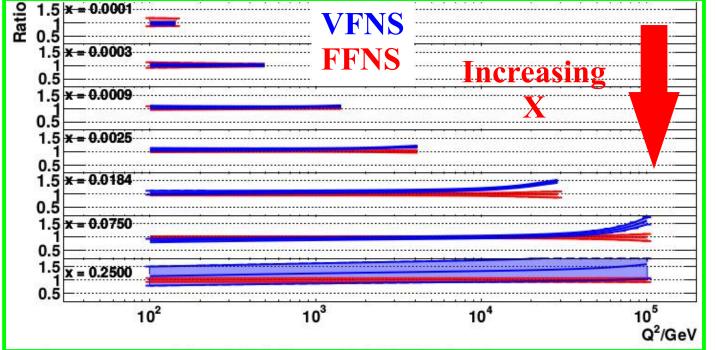
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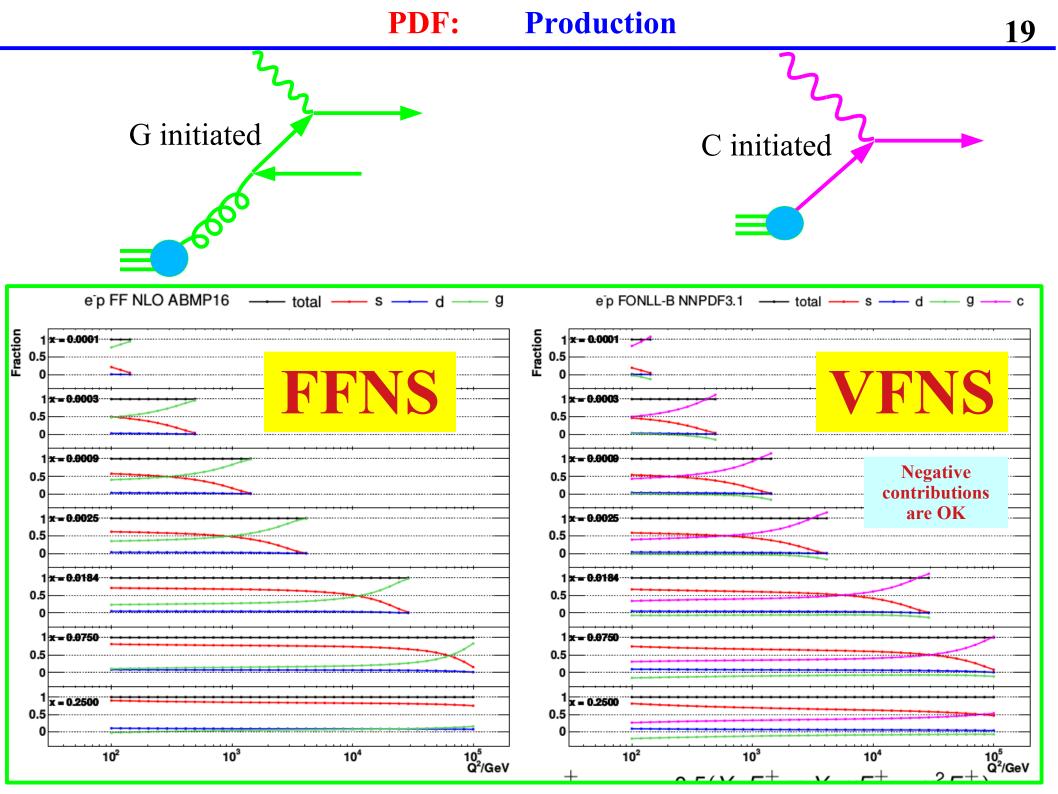
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ii) large X





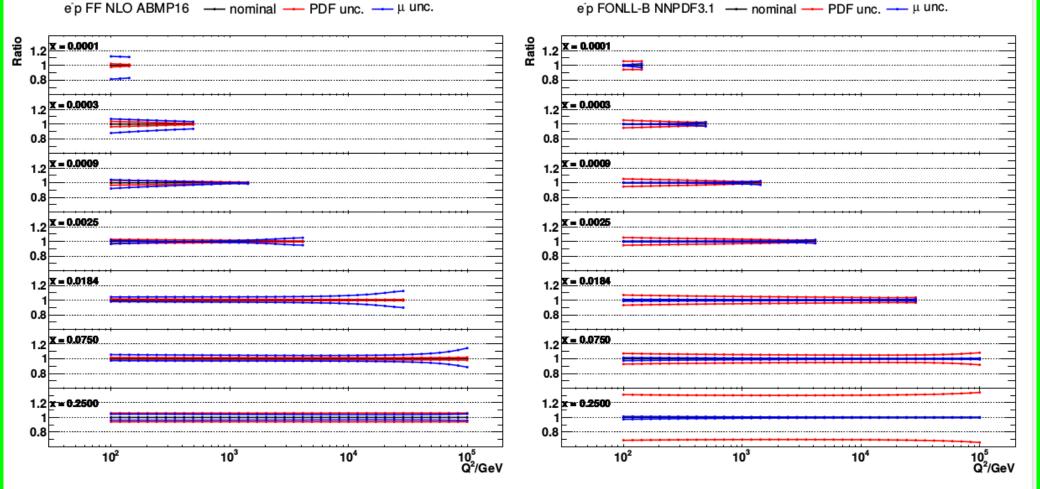
Gluon & Charm Initiated Contributions



Uncertainties: PDF & μ

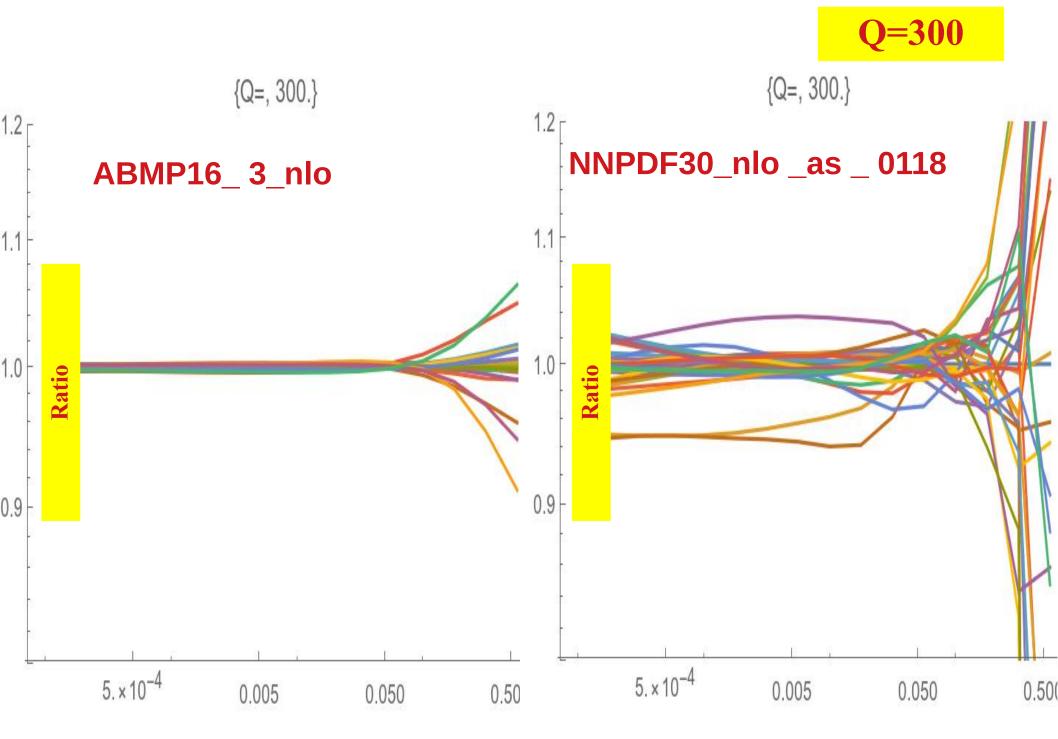
variations

Theoretical uncertainties: Q²



- Scale uncertainties: FF ABM > FONLL-B [to be checked]
- PDF uncertainties: FONLL-B [NNPDF] > FF ABM [ABMP16], especially at low y (s contribution)

Gluon Uncertainty

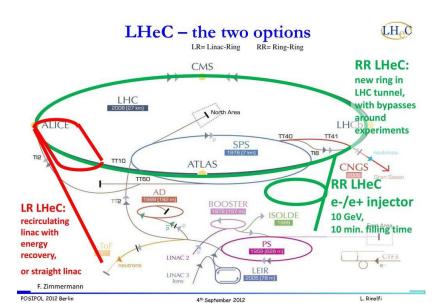


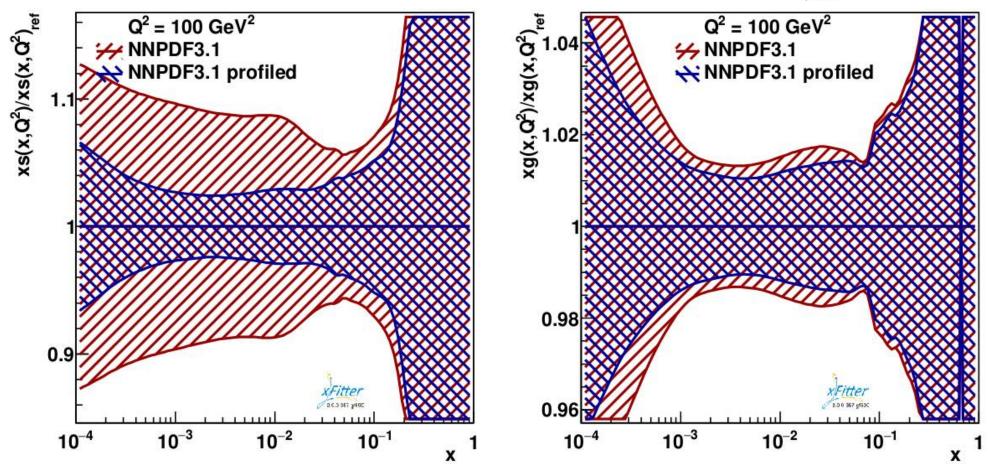
The bottom line:

Can we improve the PDFs???

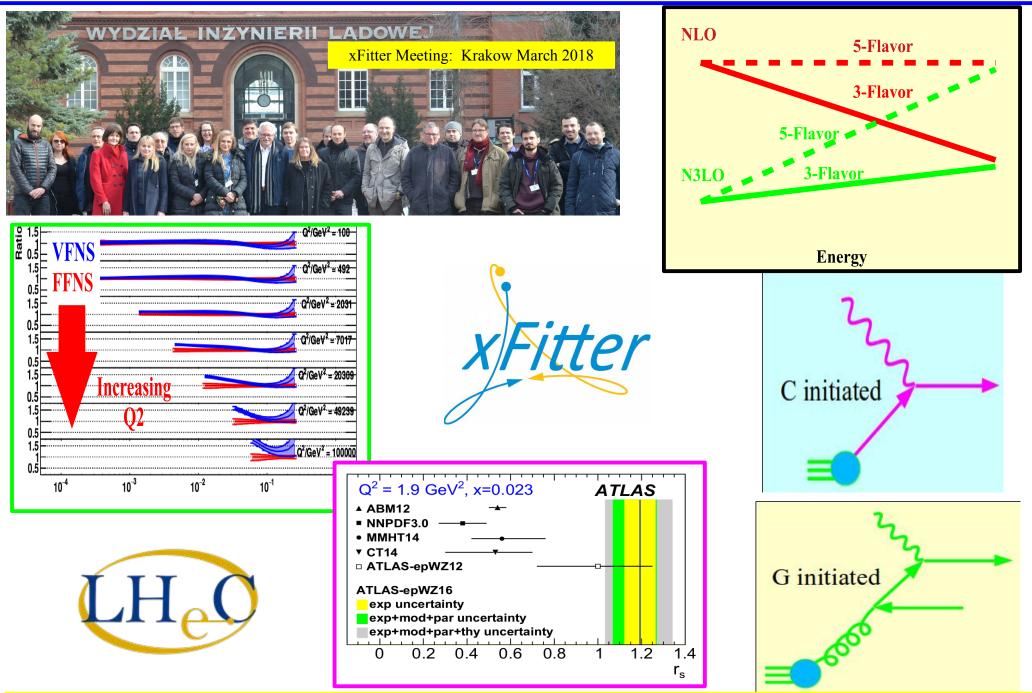


Excellent improvement on s(x) Additional improvement on g(x) *Note: This is just one LHeC channel*





Summary: Versatility of xFitter



PDF Uncertainty, heavy quarks, FFNS & VFNS, C & G initiated, s(x) extraction, resummation...

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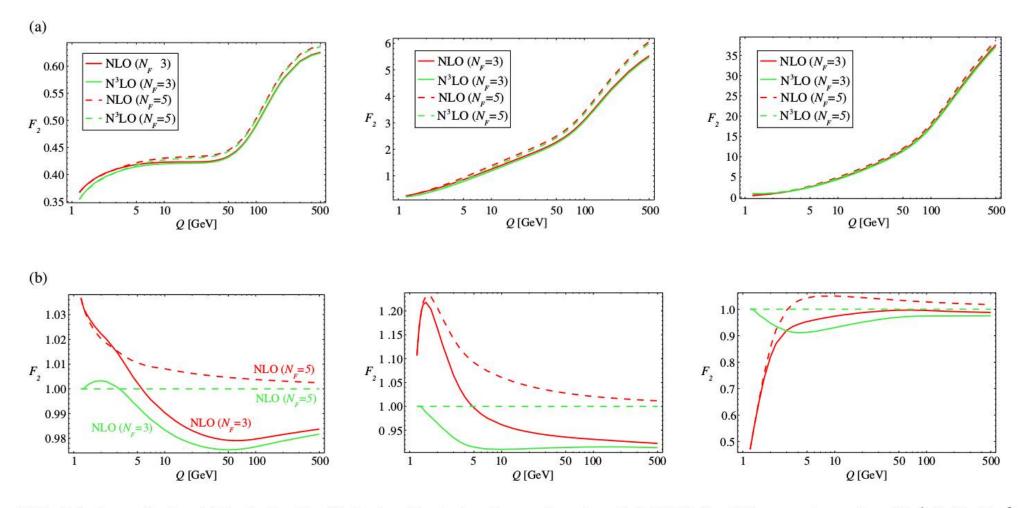


FIG. 7 (color online). (a) Inclusive F_2 , (b) Ratio of inclusive F_2 as a function of Q [GeV] for different values of $x : 10^{-1}$ (left), 10^{-3} (middle) and 10^{-5} (right). In these calculations we have chosen $\mu = Q$.

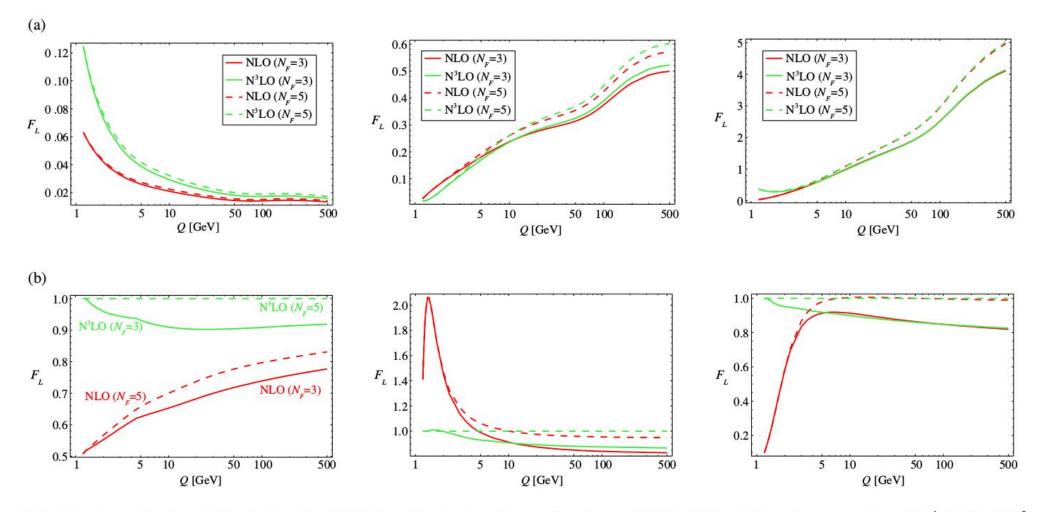


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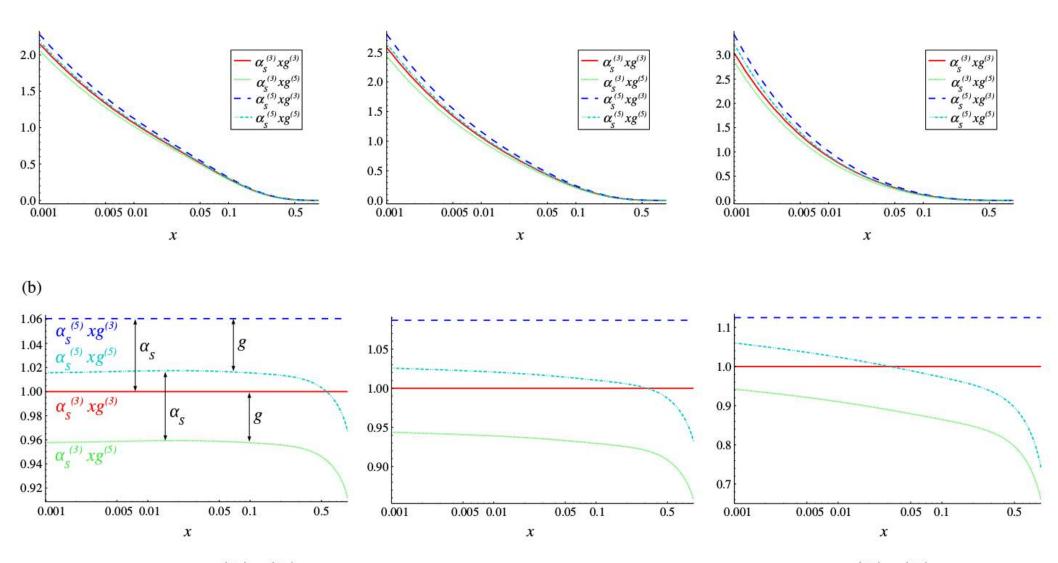


FIG. 5 (color online). $\alpha_S^{(N_R)} x g^{(N_F)}(x)$ as a function of x, for different values of μ . The curves are labeled $\alpha_S^{(N_R)} x g^{(N_F)}(x) = \{N_R, N_F\}$ where the first term in braces indicates the N_R for the α_s and the second indicates the N_F for g. (a) Different combinations of 3- and 5-flavor $\alpha_S^{(N_R)} x g^{(N_F)}(x)$ as a function of x, for different values of μ : 5 (left), 10 (middle) and 100 (right) GeV. (b) Ratio of different combination of 3- and 5-flavor $\alpha_S^{(N_R)} x g^{(N_F)}(x)$ and $\alpha_S^{(3)} x g^{(3)}(x)$ as a function of x, for different values of μ : 5 (left), 10 (middle) and 100 (right) GeV.

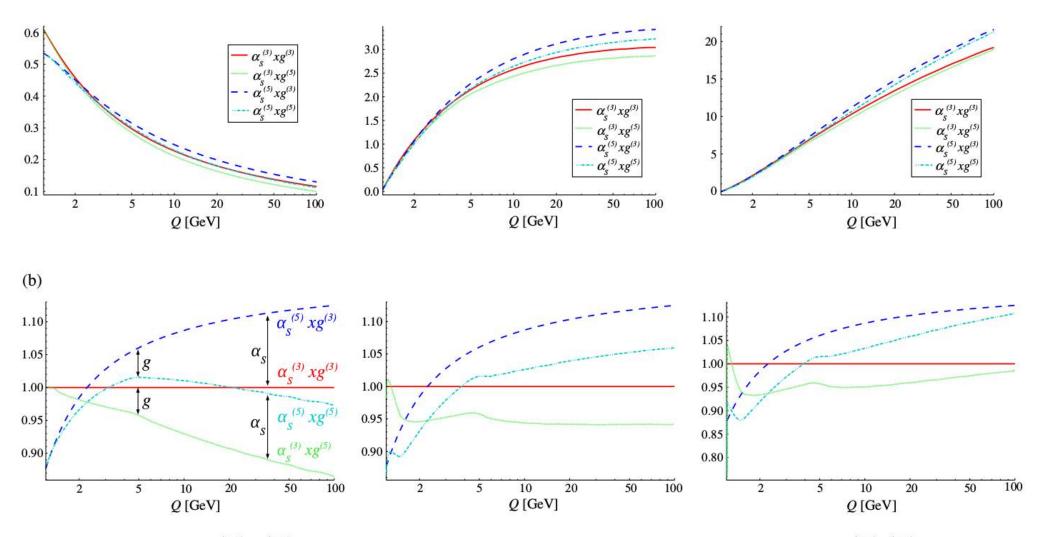


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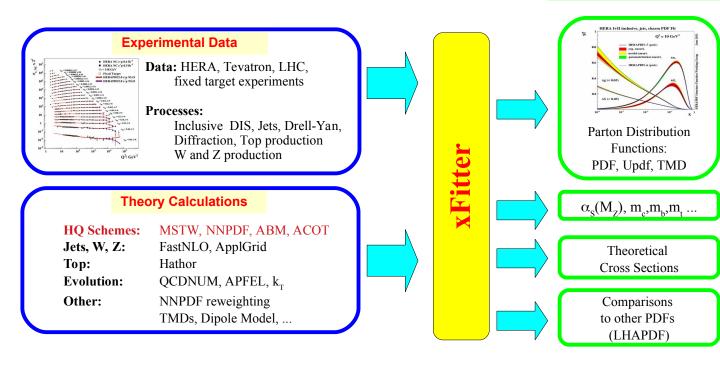
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