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Dear authors, dear editor,

congratulations for finishing up this draft. Here are a few comments.

All the best, Stefan

Paper structure and changes to figures/analysis

Section 4 and 5/6 should be swapped. First we determine PDFs with fixed alpha_s and compare to jets data. The free-alpha_s fits should come after that (same order as in the summary).

As already said in the paper presentation, I would prefer very much to have figure 8 or 15 with the same alpha_s for both PDFs. Using different alpha_s blurs the message of the figure. People will possibly try to relate the uncertainty differences to the alpha_s choice rather than focus on the message of uncertainty improvements through the new data.

minor textual comments

line 38: a typo "Yhis" -> "This"

line 85: maybe explain what is meant by "complete NNLO" (something like this

... consistently including both massive and light flavoured jets...)

line 116: missing reference

... improved ... fits, confirming earlier findings [36].

line 188: perhaps explain this problem a bit more in detail?
... such that a non-vanishing charm contribution can be generated perturbatively for any scale above the M_c threshold.

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