

# $W$ +charm with massive $c$ quarks in PowHel

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# Introduction

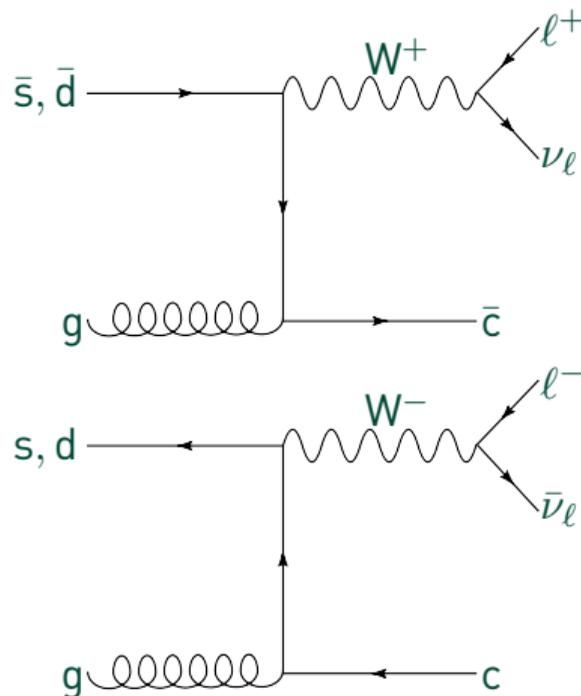
- x range in HERA data:  $10^{-4} < x < 10^{-1}$ , light quarks and gluons
  - Detailed sea quarks and gluons in high/low x need additional data (pp and fixed target)
  - Legacy data from bubble chambers, emulsion, etc. (inconsistency and uncertainty)
  - Drell-Yan is sensitive to sea quarks, using DY tension appears with legacy sets
- ⇒ Have to constrain the strange quark content
- We need new DIS capabilities:
    - Large Hadron-Electron Collider (LHeC) [arXiv:1907.01014]
    - Forward Physics Facility at High-Lumi LHC



# Introduction

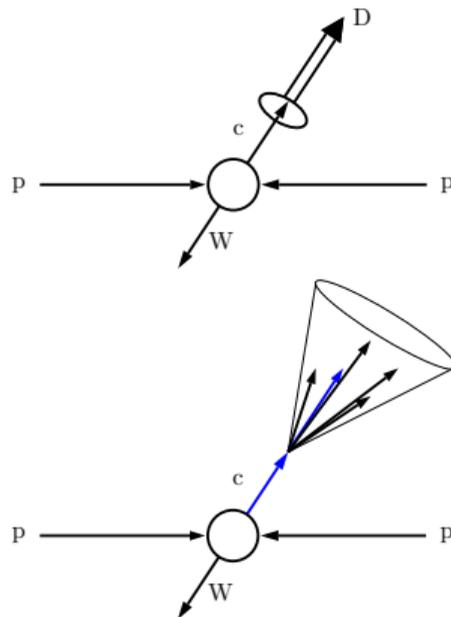
What can be done **until** completion?

- Heavy flavor production for strange extraction
- Heavy flavor in  $W + c$  production
- $W^+ + \bar{c}$  and  $W^- + c$  for strange extraction
- Situation is **not ideal**:
  - Non-diagonal **CKM**
  - In higher orders **other channels** start to contribute (g g at NLO,  $\alpha_S$  suppression compensated by gluon PDF)



# Introduction

- $W + c$  production can be analyzed two ways:
  - **fragmentation**:  $c$  quark into  $D$  meson (needs fragmentation function)
  - **$c$ -jet** production ( $c$ -quark tagging) (sensitive to  $c$  tagging efficiency)
- Strange content extraction at scales  $\sim m_W$  (at HERA: 1 – 10 GeV)



# Introduction / Quest for a precise s content

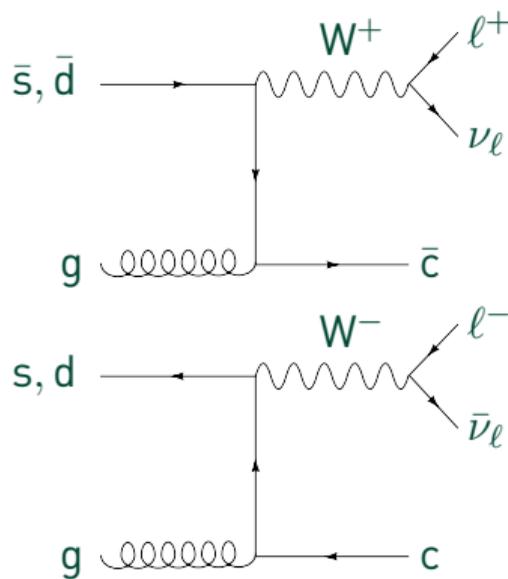
- s and  $\bar{s}$  distributions are fitted **separately**
- Strange is a sea-quark, we **predict**:

$$s(x, Q^2) = \bar{s}(x, Q^2)$$

- Asymmetry in s and  $\bar{s}$  PDFs can be tested with

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\sigma(W^+ + \bar{c})}{\sigma(W^- + c)}$$

- CKM makes  $\mathcal{R}$  sensitive to  $V_{cd}$  as well  
(Impact on  $W^+ \bar{c}$  is different from  $W^- c$ )

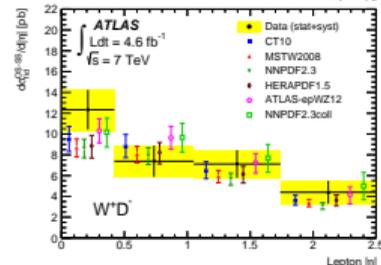
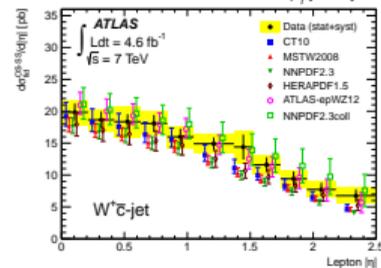
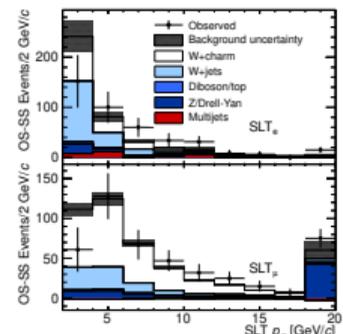


# Introduction / Experimental data

- $W + c$  production was studied at Tevatron by CDF and D0
  - Limited data for  $W + j_c$
  - $c$  tagging thru soft-lepton tagging (SLT) in jets
  - Contamination ( $Zb\bar{b}$  and  $Wc\bar{c}$ ) minimized using  $\sigma^{OS} - \sigma^{SS}$
  - OS :  $\text{sign}(\ell \text{ from } W) \neq \text{sign}(STL_\ell)$
  - SS :  $\text{sign}(\ell \text{ from } W) = \text{sign}(STL_\ell)$
- Also studied at LHC during Run I:
  - ATLAS at 7 TeV
  - CMS at 7, 8 and 13 TeV
  - $W + D$ -meson final states
  - $W + j_c$  final states
  - $W + c$  results in the forward region by LHCb



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# Introduction / Theory

W + c theory predictions:

- **NLO QCD** calculation (**massive c**) by Giele et al. [hep-ph/9511449]
- Available at NLO QCD in MCFM (massive c)
- Also in MadGraph5\_aMC@NLO at NLO QCD with massive c
- First **NNLO QCD** results ( $m_c = 0$ ) by Czakon et al. [arXiv:2011.01011]



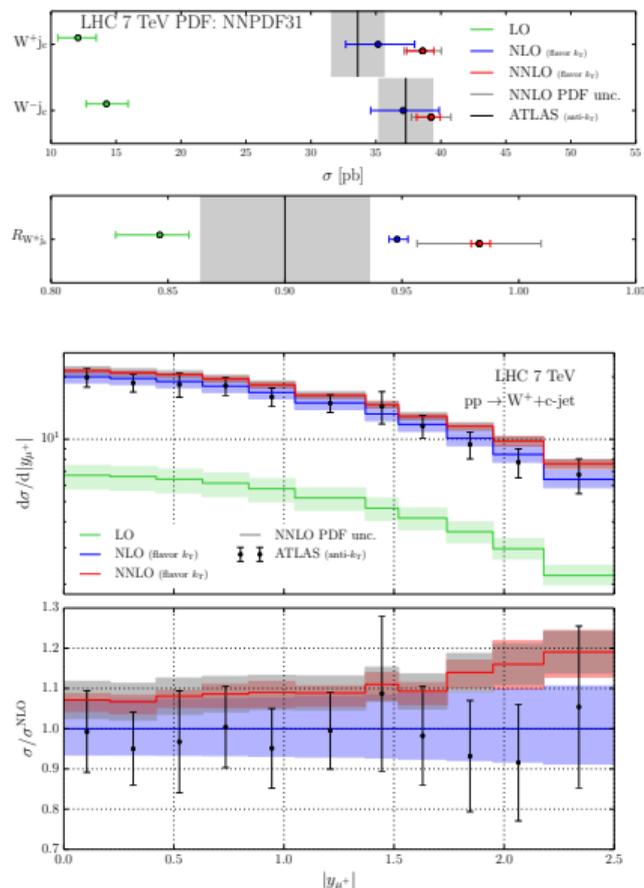
# Introduction / Theory

The NNLO calculation of Czakon et al.:

- Five-flavor scheme was used
- ⇒ Flavored jet algorithm was needed
- NNLO QCD correction is  $\sim 10\%$  (central)
- Good agreement with ATLAS data
- Direct comparison on hadron level would be great



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# Our calculation

This work:

- NLO QCD accuracy
  - Matched to parton shower and hadronization incorporated
- ⇒ Comparison to experiment at hadron (particle) level
- Massive charm throughout
- ⇒ PDFs with 3 active flavors
- Same analysis is implemented as used by experiments
  - PDF and scale uncertainty studies
  - Including  $W^\pm + c + \bar{c}$  (same  $\alpha_S$  order as real emission)



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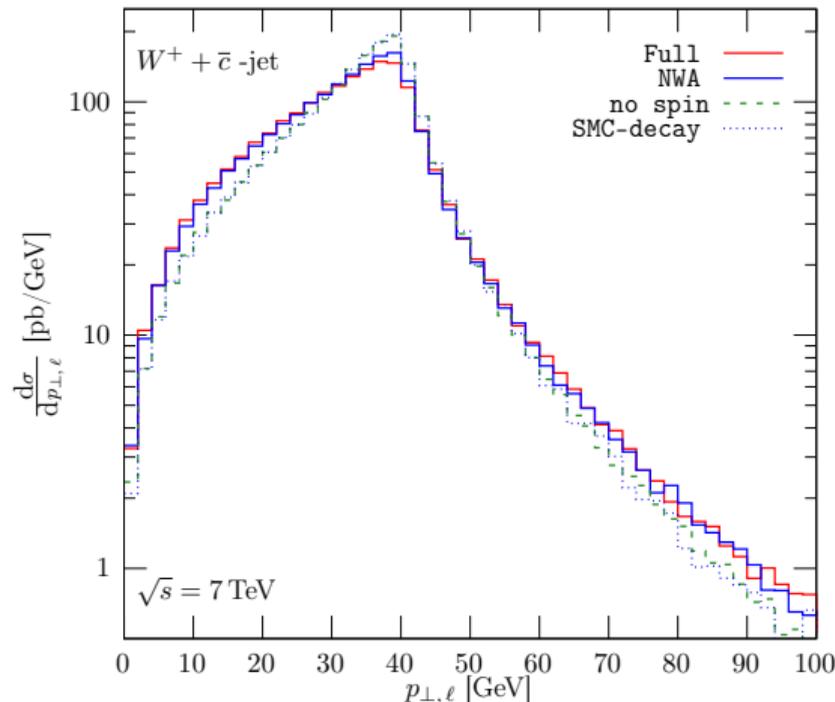
# Our calculation

- POWHEG matching scheme is used through POWHEG-BOX
  - SMEs provided by HELAC
  - In-house phase-space generator
  - Due to 3 active flavors conversion to the decoupling scheme (if needed)
  - Parton shower and hadronization by PYTHIA8
  - Two tunes were employed:
    - Monash
    - ATLAS A14
  - Different PDFs were used:
    - ABMP16\_3\_NLO
    - CT18NLO
    - CT18ZNLO
- } 5 FNS PDFs  $\Rightarrow$  conversion to decoupling scheme



# Effect of Spin Correlations

- W is decayed leptonically
  - Full calculation: off-shell W with spin correlation in decay (red)
  - W in NWA (blue)
  - No spin correlations in W decay (dashed green)
- Effect of off-shellness is marginal
- Spin correlation in decay is crucial

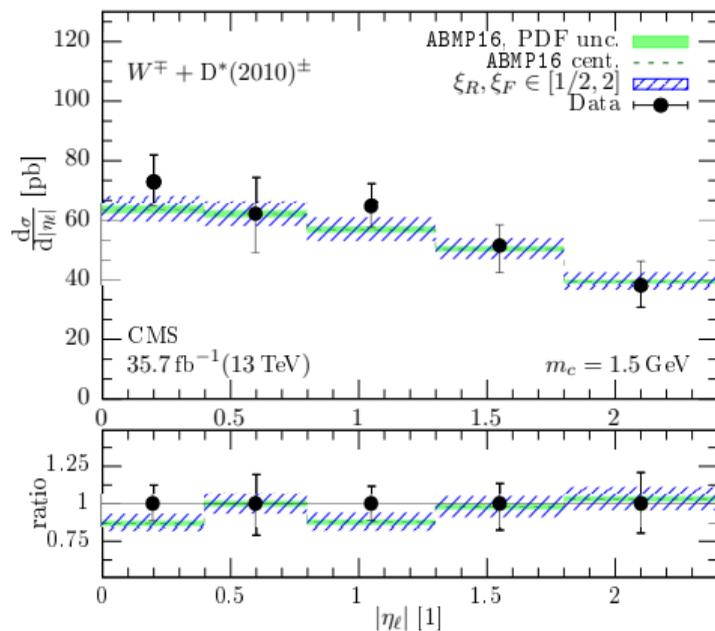


# Pheno Results at 13 TeV

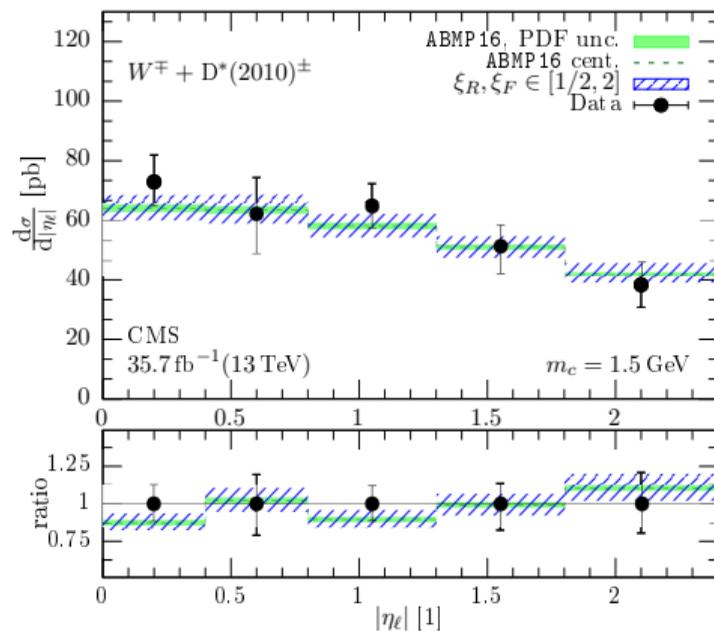
- CMS analyzed  $W^\pm + D^*(2010)^\mp$  events at 13 TeV (see: arXiv:1811.10021)
- $|\eta_\ell|$  is measured in W decay
- W tagging through  $\mu$  detection with missing energy ( $p_{T,\mu} > 26\text{GeV}$ ,  $|\eta_\mu| < 2.4$ )
- $\mu^+$ ,  $\mu^-$  pseudorapidities were registered with their sums as well
- Event classification according to signs of  $D^*(2010)$  meson and central  $\mu$ :
  - $D^*(2010)^\pm$  with a  $\mu^\pm$  (Same Signed, SS)  $\Rightarrow$  background
  - $D^*(2010)^\pm$  with a  $\mu^\mp$  (Opposite Signed, OS)  $\Rightarrow$  signal
- CMS compared to theory:
  - Madgraph5\_aMC@NLO: W production with **light jets at hadron level**
  - MCFM: **Unfolded** to the parton level, using W production with massive c



# Pheno Results at 13 TeV



Monash tune

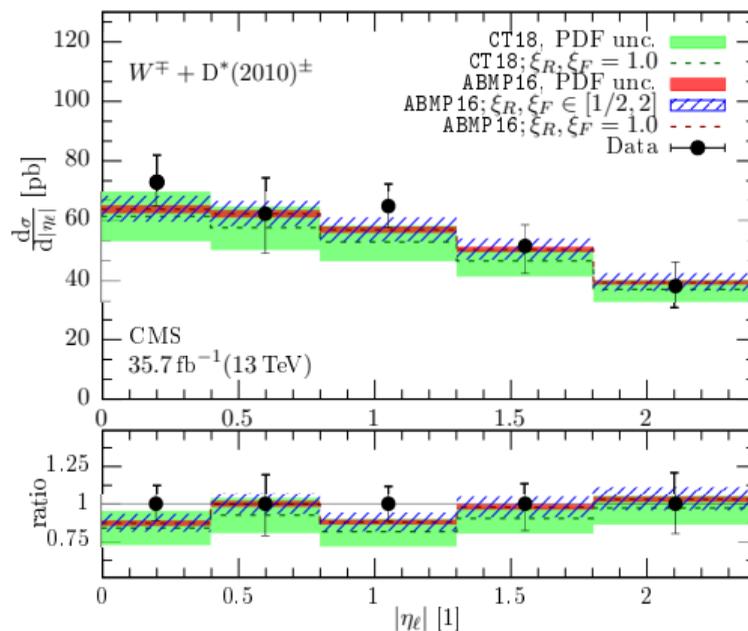


ATLAS A14 tune



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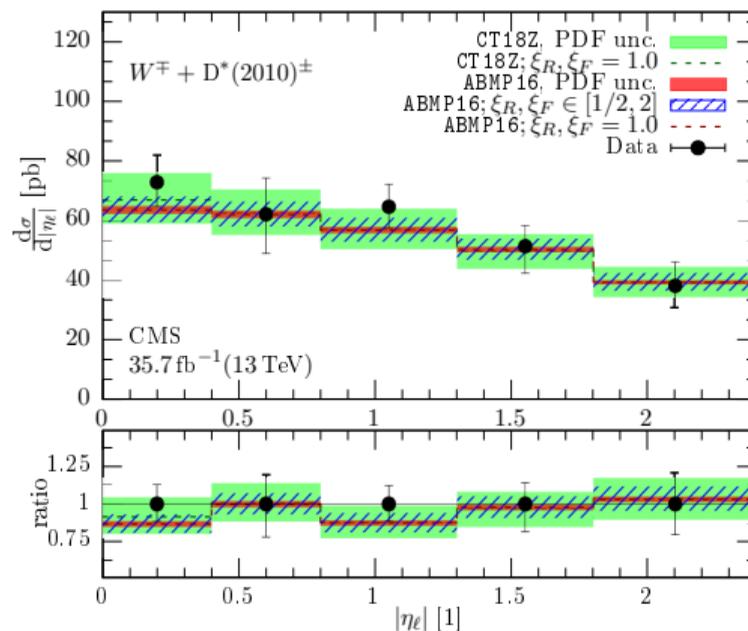
# Pheno Results at 13 TeV



Monash tune, CT18NLO at 90% C.L.



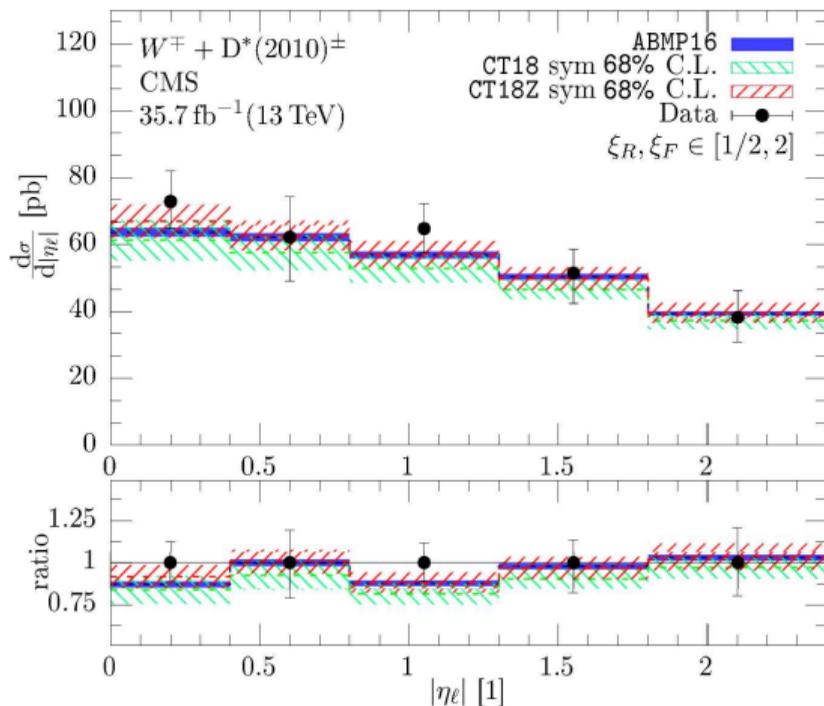
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Monash tune, CT18ZNLO at 90% C.L.

# Pheno Results at 13 TeV

- To compare against ABMP16 confidence levels were converted to 68%
- c quark is massive, charm mass from PDF



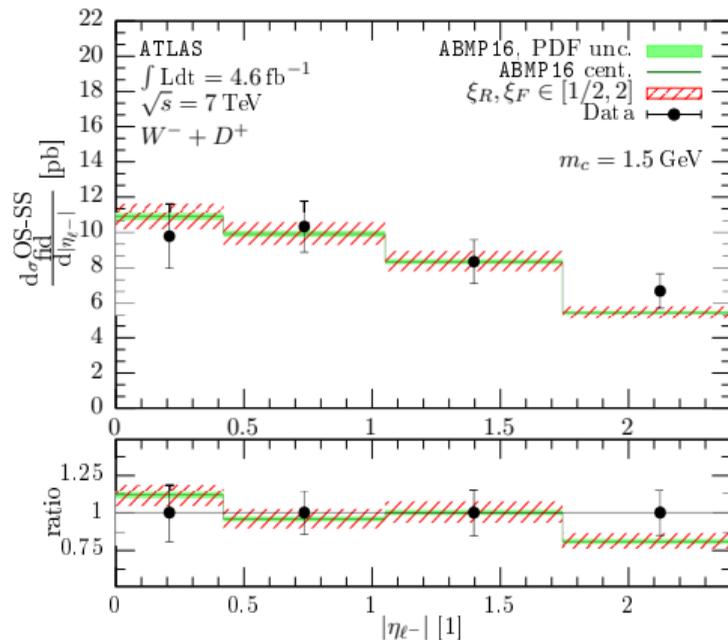
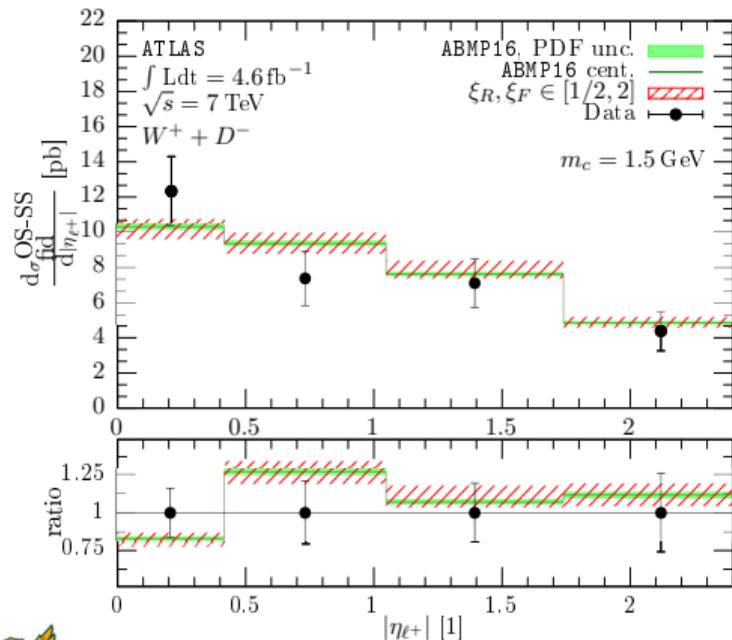
# Pheno Results at 7 TeV

- Data taken by ATLAS for  $W + D\text{-meson}$  and  $W + j_c$  (see: arXiv:1402.6263)
- Isolated lepton can be produced with same sign as D-meson or charm in  $j_c$  jet (SS)
- Isolated lepton can be produced with opposite sign as D-meson or charm in  $j_c$  jet (OS)
- Interested in opposite sign (OS) events, if multiple charms present include cross section is obtained, going through all charms and registering cross section contribution as OS - SS
- If a charm-pair is produced cross section contribution will be zero
- c-tagging:
  - c **semileptonic decay** into muon
  - Presence of **charmed meson**



# Pheno Results at 7 TeV

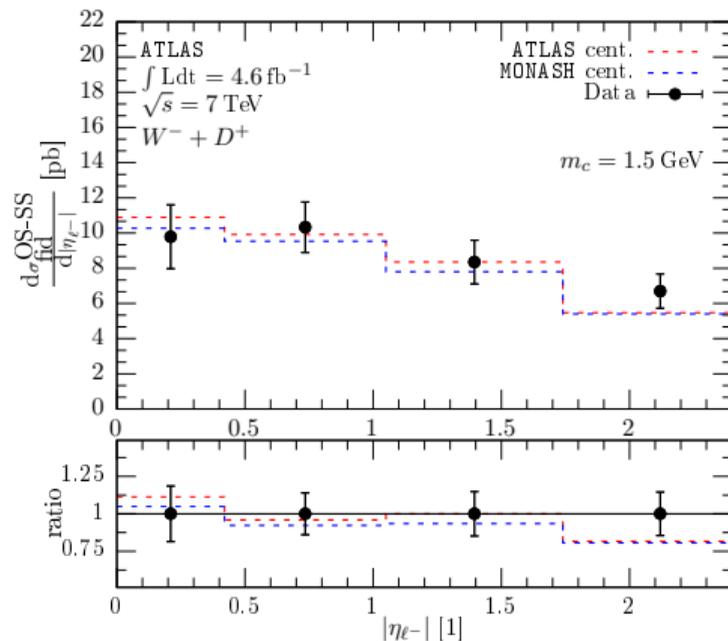
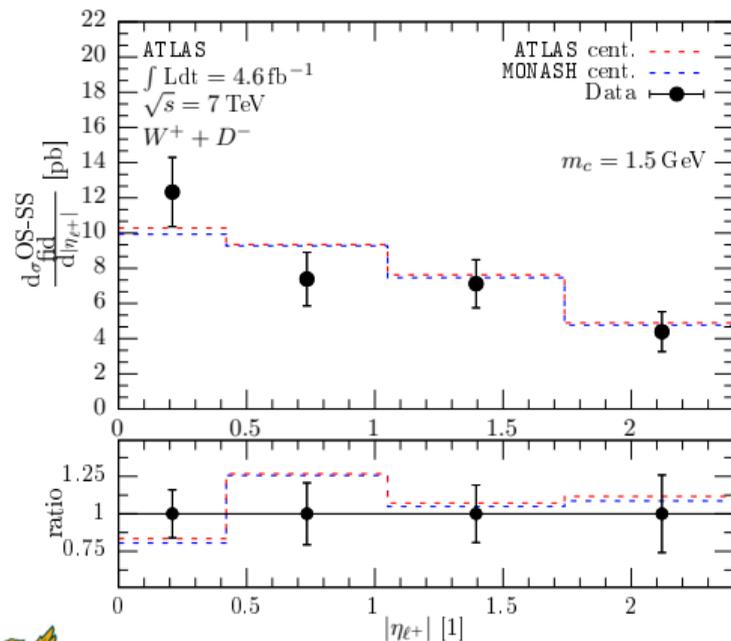
Using the ATLAS A14 tune:



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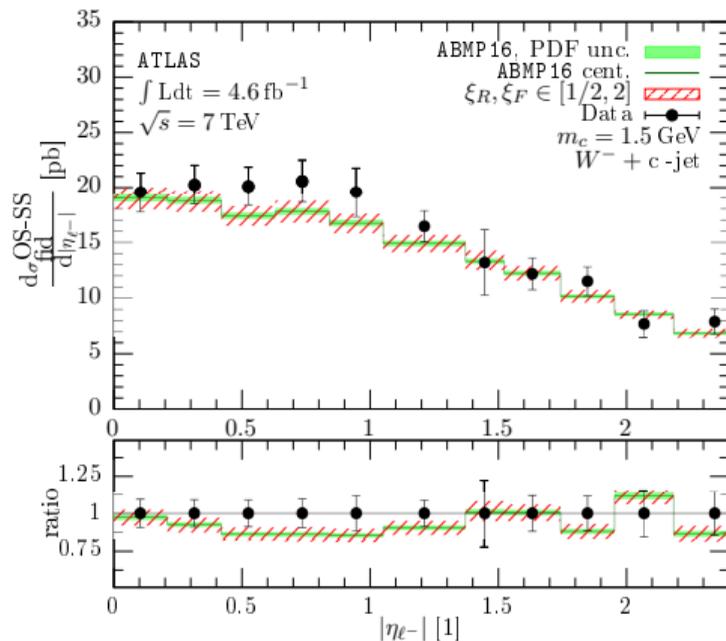
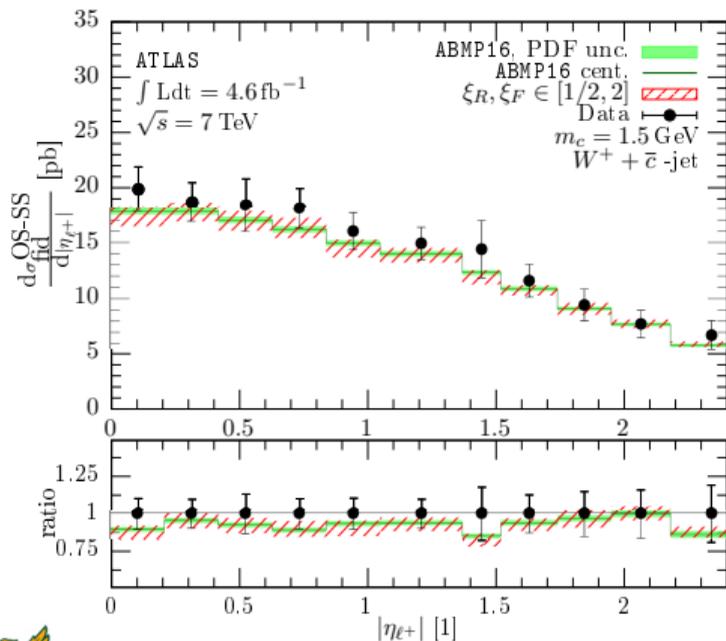
# Pheno Results at 7 TeV

## Comparison of tunes:



# Pheno Results at 7 TeV

## Associated charmed jet production with ATLAS A14 tune:



# Conclusions

- First comparison with data at hadron level with NLO QCD accuracy and  $m_c \neq 0$
- First implementation of NLO+PS matching with the POWHEG method
- Spin correlation and CKM effects are important
- Good agreement with data
- Useful in low  $p_T$  region where charm mass effects are important
- Can be used in PDF fits



Thank you for your attention!

# Back-up slides



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# Fixed order related

Considered subprocesses (in all-outgoing kinematics):

$$\emptyset \rightarrow l^+ \nu_\ell \bar{c} s g$$

$$\emptyset \rightarrow l^- \bar{\nu}_\ell c \bar{s} g$$

$$\emptyset \rightarrow l^+ \nu_\ell \bar{c} d g$$

$$\emptyset \rightarrow l^- \bar{\nu}_\ell c \bar{d} g$$

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$$\emptyset \rightarrow l^+ \nu_\ell \bar{c} s q \bar{q}$$

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$$\emptyset \rightarrow l^+ \nu_\ell \bar{c} d q \bar{q}$$

$$\emptyset \rightarrow l^- \bar{\nu}_\ell c \bar{d} q \bar{q}$$

$$\emptyset \rightarrow l^+ \nu_\ell c \bar{c} \bar{u} d$$

$$\emptyset \rightarrow l^- \bar{\nu}_\ell c \bar{c} u \bar{d}$$

$$\emptyset \rightarrow l^+ \nu_\ell c \bar{c} \bar{u} s$$

$$\emptyset \rightarrow l^- \bar{\nu}_\ell c \bar{c} u \bar{s}$$



## Fixed order related

Non-physical scales used:

$$\mu_R = \mu_F = H_T/2$$

For  $W + c + X$ :

$$H_T = \sqrt{p_{T,W}^2 + m_W^2} + \sqrt{p_{T,c}^2 + m_c^2}$$

For  $W + c + \bar{c}$ :

$$H_T = \sqrt{p_{T,W}^2 + m_W^2} + \sqrt{p_{T,c}^2 + m_c^2} + \sqrt{p_{T,\bar{c}}^2 + m_c^2}$$



# Cross sections

Energy	Process	PDF	$m_c$ [GeV]	$\sigma_{\text{NLO}}$ [pb]
13 TeV	$W^+ \bar{c} + X$	ABMP16	1.5	4994(7)
		CT18Z	1.4	5298(6)
		CT18	1.4	4838(6)
	$W^- c + X$	ABMP16	1.5	5190(6)
		CT18Z	1.4	5521(7)
		CT18	1.4	5053(6)
	$W^+ c \bar{c}$	ABMP16	1.5	156.30(6)
		CT18Z	1.4	213.36(6)
		CT18	1.4	209.72(6)
	$W^- c \bar{c}$	ABMP16	1.5	101.82(3)
		CT18Z	1.4	138.97(6)
		CT18	1.4	136.64(6)
7 TeV	$W^+ \bar{c} + X$	ABMP16	1.5	2009(2)
	$W^- c + X$	ABMP16	1.5	2113(2)
	$W^+ c \bar{c}$	ABMP16	1.5	86.70(3)
	$W^- c \bar{c}$	ABMP16	1.5	51.89(2)



# Cross sections

OS, SS contributions (inclusive) at 13 TeV for  $D^*$ (2010) meson:

LHE Partonic Process	$\sigma_{MC}^{OS-SS}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{MC}^{OS}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{MC}^{SS}$ [pb]
$W^+ c + X$	62(1)	70(1)	7.8(4)
$W^- c + X$	66(1)	73(1)	7.3(4)
$W^\pm c + X$	128(2)	143(2)	15.1(6)
$W^+ c \bar{c}$	-0.1(1)	1.4(1)	1.5(1)
$W^- c \bar{c}$	0.0(1)	0.9(1)	0.9(1)
$W^\pm c \bar{c}$	-0.1(2)	2.3(2)	2.4(2)



# Cross sections

OS, SS contributions (inclusive) at 7 TeV for D meson (A14 tune):

Process	$\sigma_{MC}^{OS-SS}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{MC}^{OS}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{MC}^{SS}$ [pb]
$W^+ c + X$	19.2(3)	20.4(3)	1.19(6)
$W^- c + X$	20.7(3)	21.7(3)	0.93(6)
$W^+ c \bar{c}$	0.05(6)	0.68(4)	0.63(4)
$W^- c \bar{c}$	-0.03(4)	0.36(3)	0.39(3)



# Cross sections

OS, SS contributions (inclusive) at 7 TeV for c-jet (A14 tune):

Process	$\sigma_{MC}^{OS-SS}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{MC}^{OS}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{MC}^{SS}$ [pb]
$W^+ c + X$	31.8(4)	32.9(4)	1.06(6)
$W^- c + X$	34.6(4)	35.3(4)	0.67(4)
$W^+ c \bar{c}$	0.03(6)	0.78(4)	0.75(4)
$W^- c \bar{c}$	0.03(4)	0.41(3)	0.38(3)



# Cross sections

D-meson production cross sections (CMS):

Process	PDF	$\sigma_{MC}^M$ [pb]	$\sigma_{MC}^A$ [pb]	$\delta_{scale}$	$\delta_{PDF}$	$\delta_{PDF}^{68\%}$	$\sigma^{CMS}$ [pb]
$W^+ + D^{*-}$	ABMP16	62	64	+6.9% -6.4%	$\pm 2\%$	$\pm 2\%$	$65 \pm 5$ (stat) $_{-10}^{+10}$ (sys)
	CT18Z	63	64	—	+14.8% -10.5%	$\pm 7.2\%$	
	CT18	58	59	—	+11.1% -11.3%	$\pm 8.4\%$	
$W^- + D^{*+}$	ABMP16	66	67	+6.8% -6.5%	$\pm 2\%$	$\pm 2\%$	$71 \pm 6$ (stat) $_{-10}^{+9}$ (sys)
	CT18Z	67	68	—	+10.1% -12.9%	$\pm 6.8\%$	
	CT18	61	63	—	+10.8% -11.7%	$\pm 8.1\%$	



# Cross sections

D-meson and c-jet production cross sections (ATLAS):

Process	PDF	$\sigma_{MC}^M$ [pb]	$\sigma_{MC}^A$ [pb]	$\delta_{scale}$	$\delta_{PDF}$	$\sigma^{ATLAS}$ [pb]
$W^+ + D^-$	ABMP16	18.8	19.2	$+5.8\%$ $-5.3\%$	$\pm 1.5\%$	$17.8 \pm 1.9$ (stat) $\pm 0.8$ (sys)
$W^- + D^+$		19.8	20.7	$+5.8\%$ $-5.5\%$	$\pm 1.5\%$	$22.4 \pm 1.8$ (stat) $\pm 1.0$ (sys)
$W^+ + j_{\bar{c}}$		31.1	31.8	$+6.2\%$ $-9.1\%$	$\pm 2.5\%$	$33.6 \pm 0.9$ (stat) $\pm 1.8$ (sys)
$W^- + j_c$		33.9	34.6	$+7.5\%$ $-7.7\%$	$\pm 2.4\%$	$37.3 \pm 0.8$ (stat) $\pm 1.9$ (sys)

