

Parton distribution functions and precision predictions for cross sections at the LHC

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Plan

- Talk based on results on ...

ongoing analysis and extraction of ...

- ... precise parton distribution functions from global fits

ABKM09 S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein, S. Klein and S. M.

[arXiv:0908.2766](#)

ABM10 S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein and S. M. [arXiv:1007.3657](#)

new → ABM11 S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein and S. M. [arXiv:1202.2281](#)

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studies of related physics implications regarding ...

- ... NNLO benchmarks cross sections at the Terascale
S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein, P. Jimenez-Delgado, S. M. and E. Reya
[arXiv:1011.6259](#)
- ... Higgs production rates and constraints from fixed-target DIS data
S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein and S. M. [arXiv:1011.5261](#)
- ... the running charm-quark mass
S. Alekhin and S. M. [arXiv:1011.5790](#)
S. Alekhin, K. Daum, K. Lipka and S. M. [arXiv:1209.0436](#)
- ... top quark and Higgs boson masses and EW vacuum stability
S. Alekhin, A. Djouadi and S. M. [arXiv:1207.0980](#)
- ... Tevatron jets and statistics impact
S. Alekhin, J. Blümlein and S. M. [arXiv:1211.2642](#)

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ABM11 in a nut shell Alekhin, Blümlein, S.M. '12

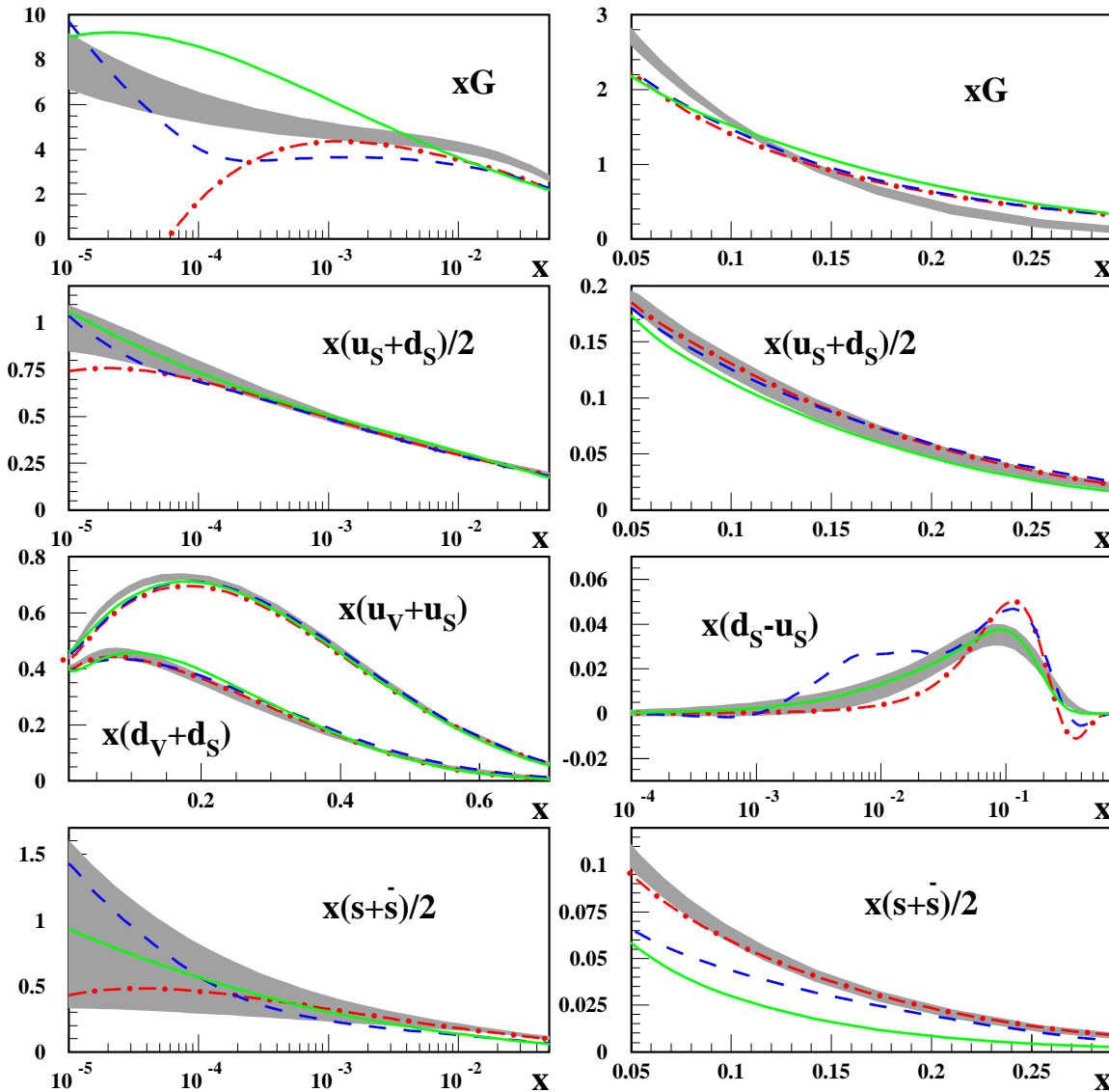
- Determination of PDFs and strong coupling constant α_s to NNLO QCD
- Consistent scheme for treatment of heavy quarks
 - fixed-flavor number scheme for $n_f = 3, 4, 5$
 - $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -scheme for quark masses and α_s
- Full account of error correlations

Data considered in the fit

- Analysis of world data for deep-inelastic scattering and fixed-target data for Drell-Yan process
 - inclusive DIS data HERA, BCDMS, NMC, SLAC
 - Drell-Yan data (fixed target) E-605, E-866
 - neutrino-nucleon DIS data (di-muon production) CCFR/NuTeV

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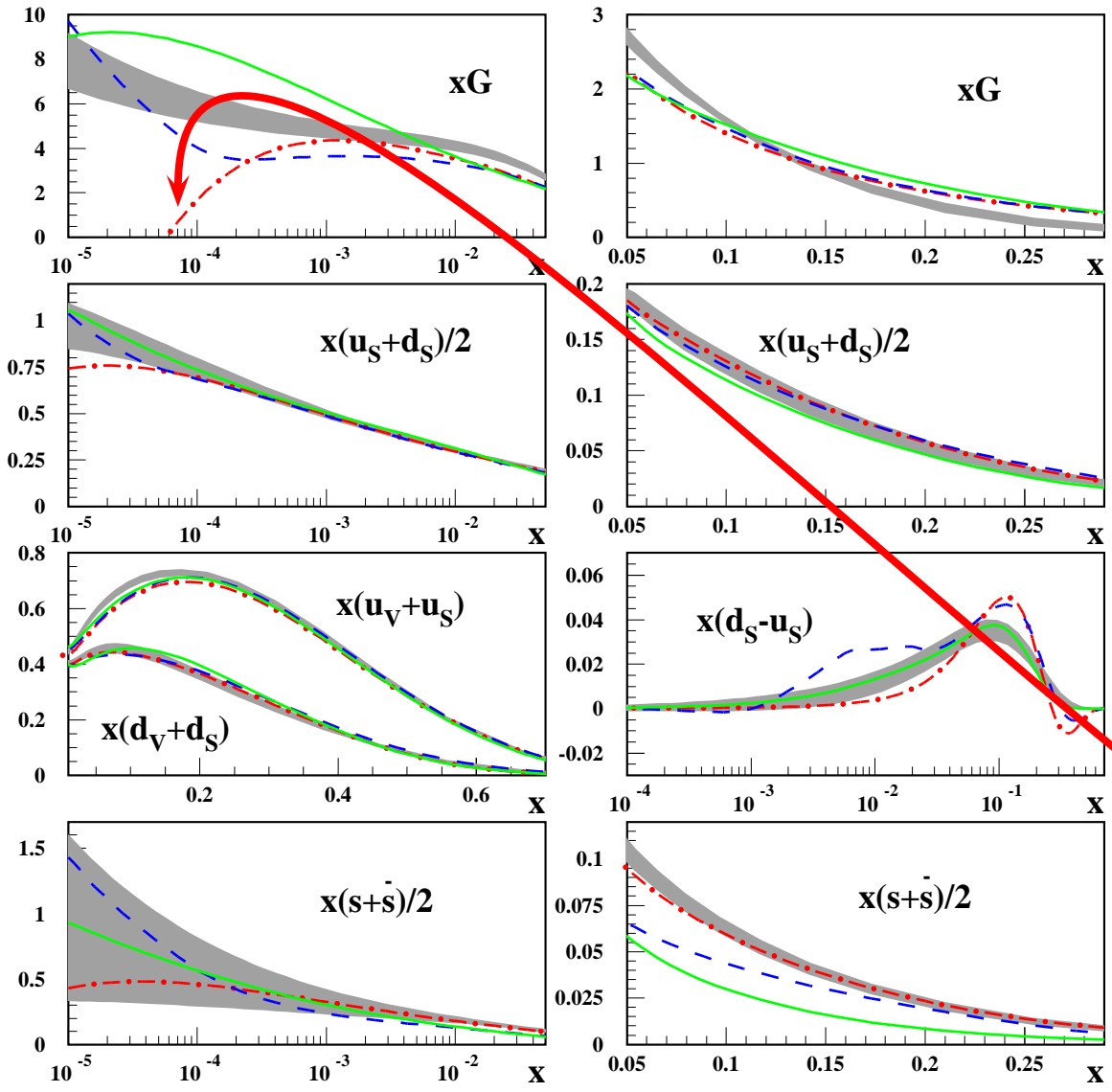
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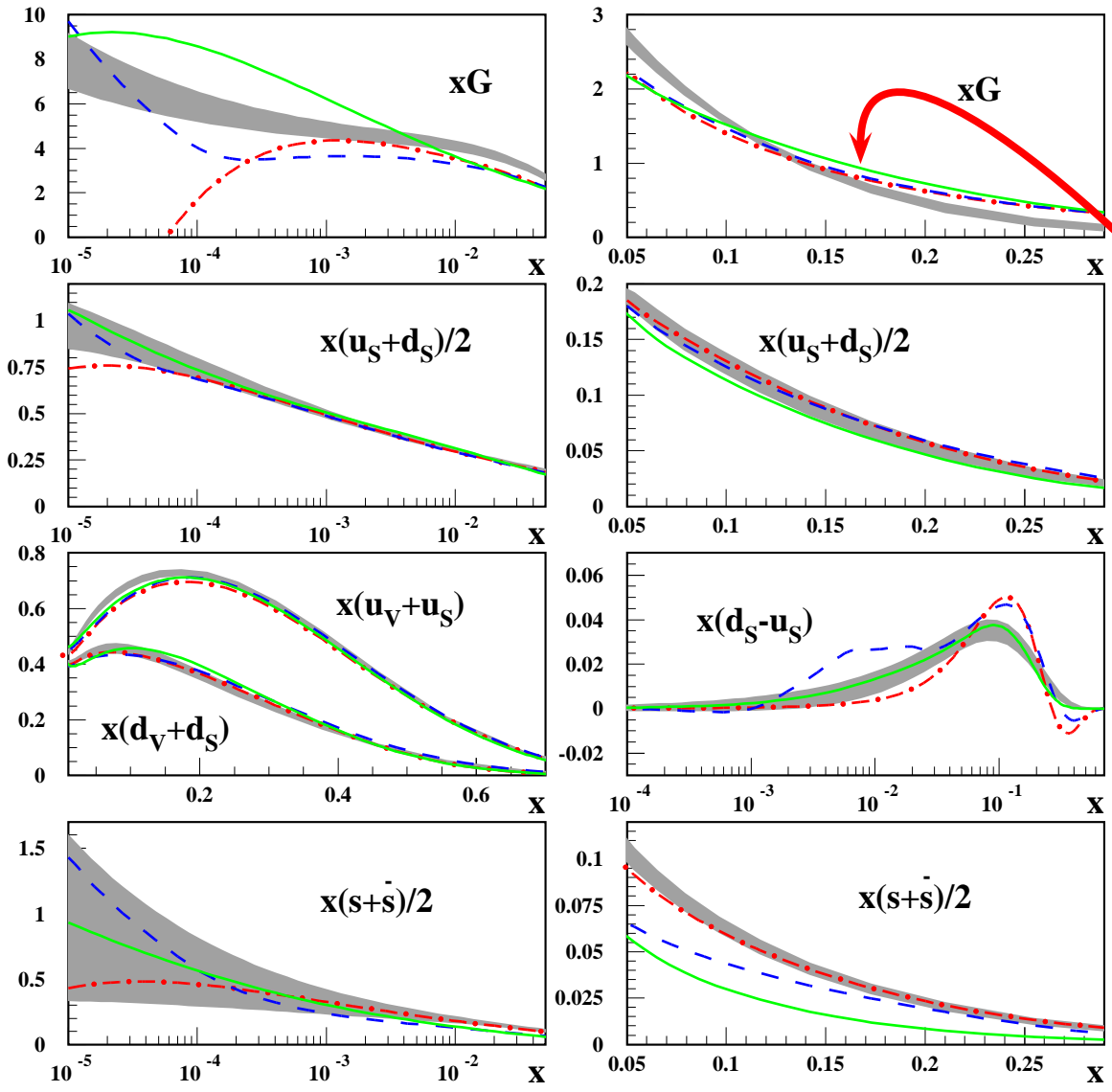
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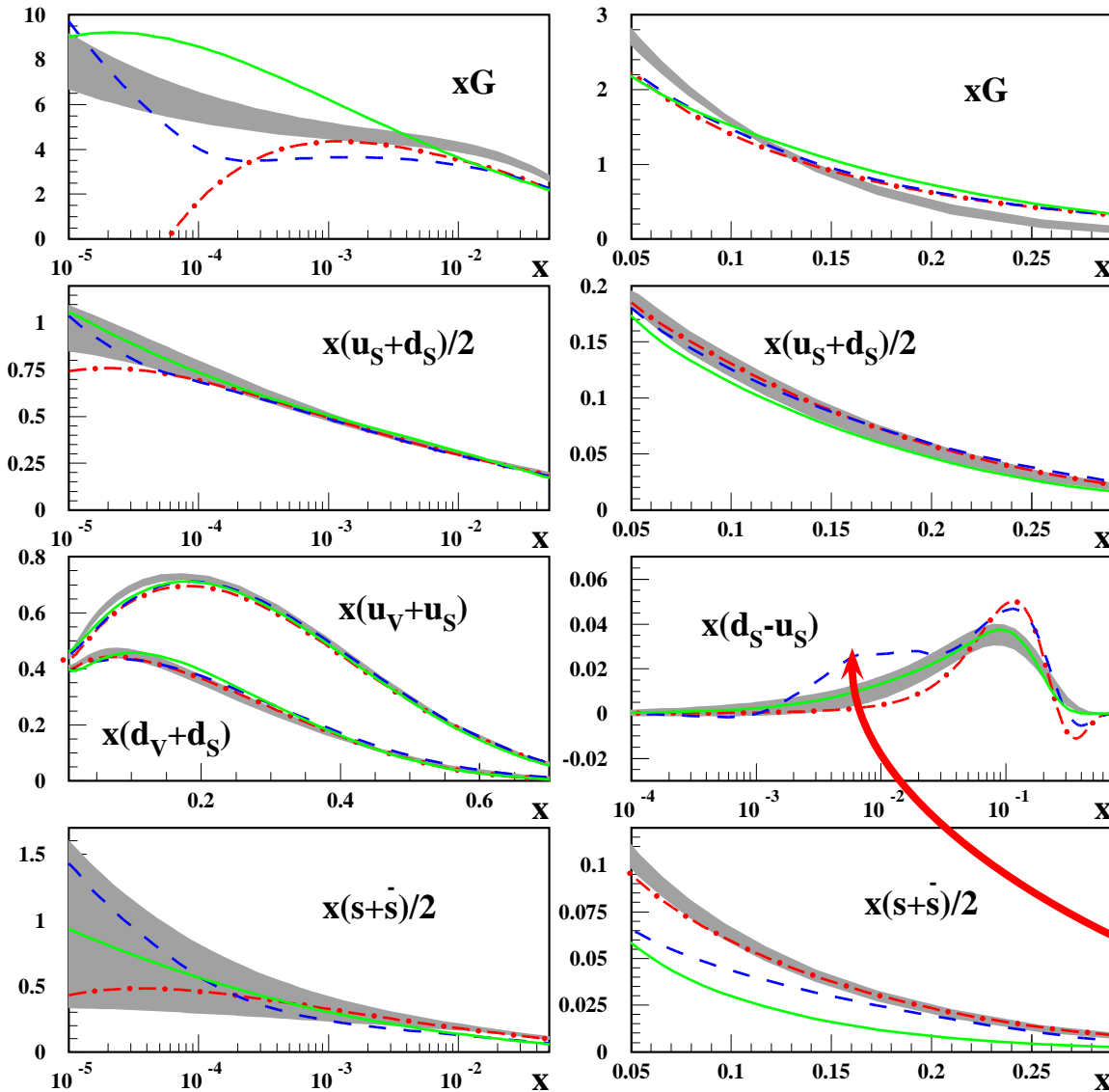
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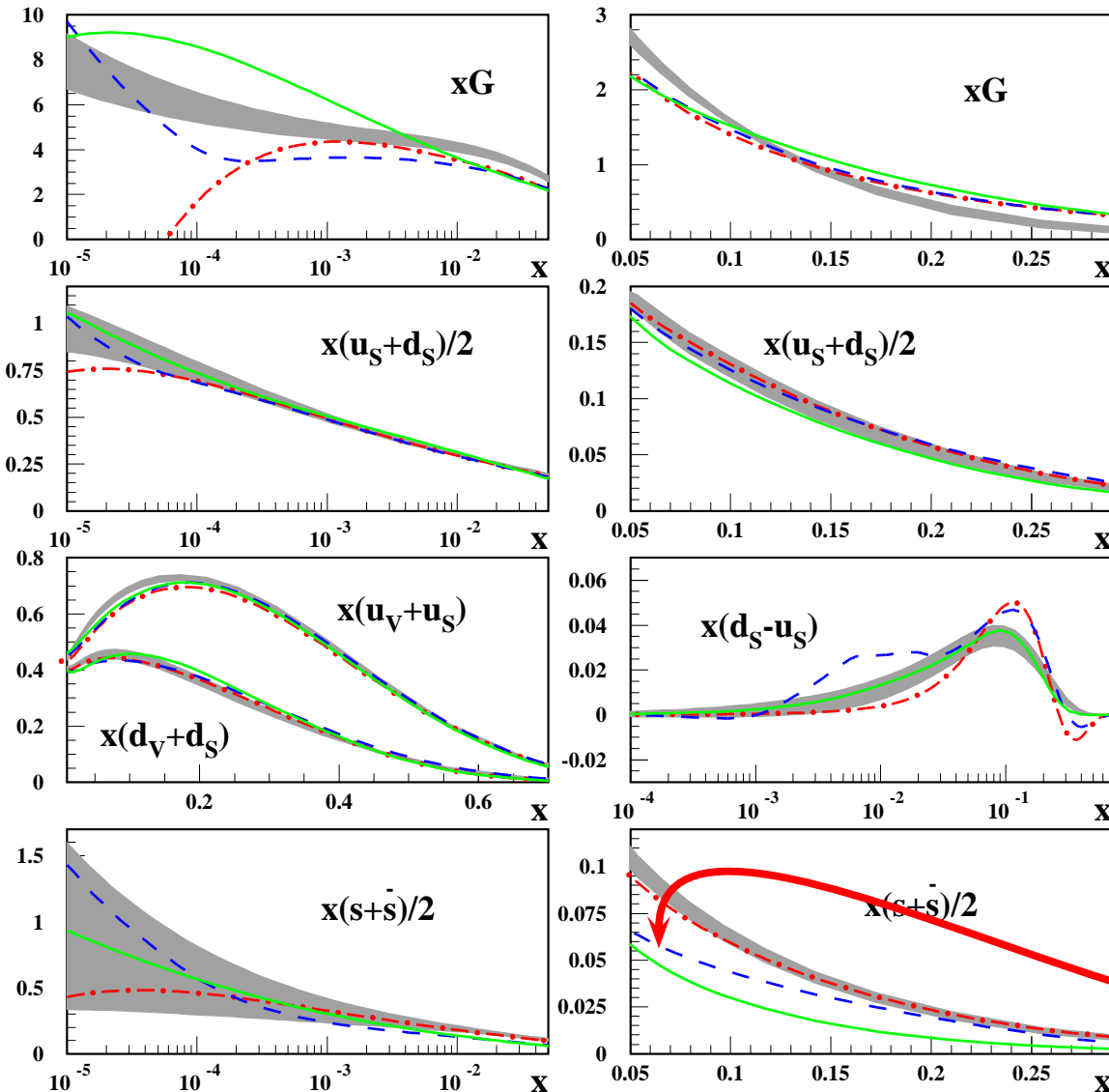
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- ... non-smooth (bumpy) $x(d_S - u_S)$ parametrization NN21

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• ... $x(s + \bar{s})/2$ in NN21 too small due to wrong CC DIS cross section formulae

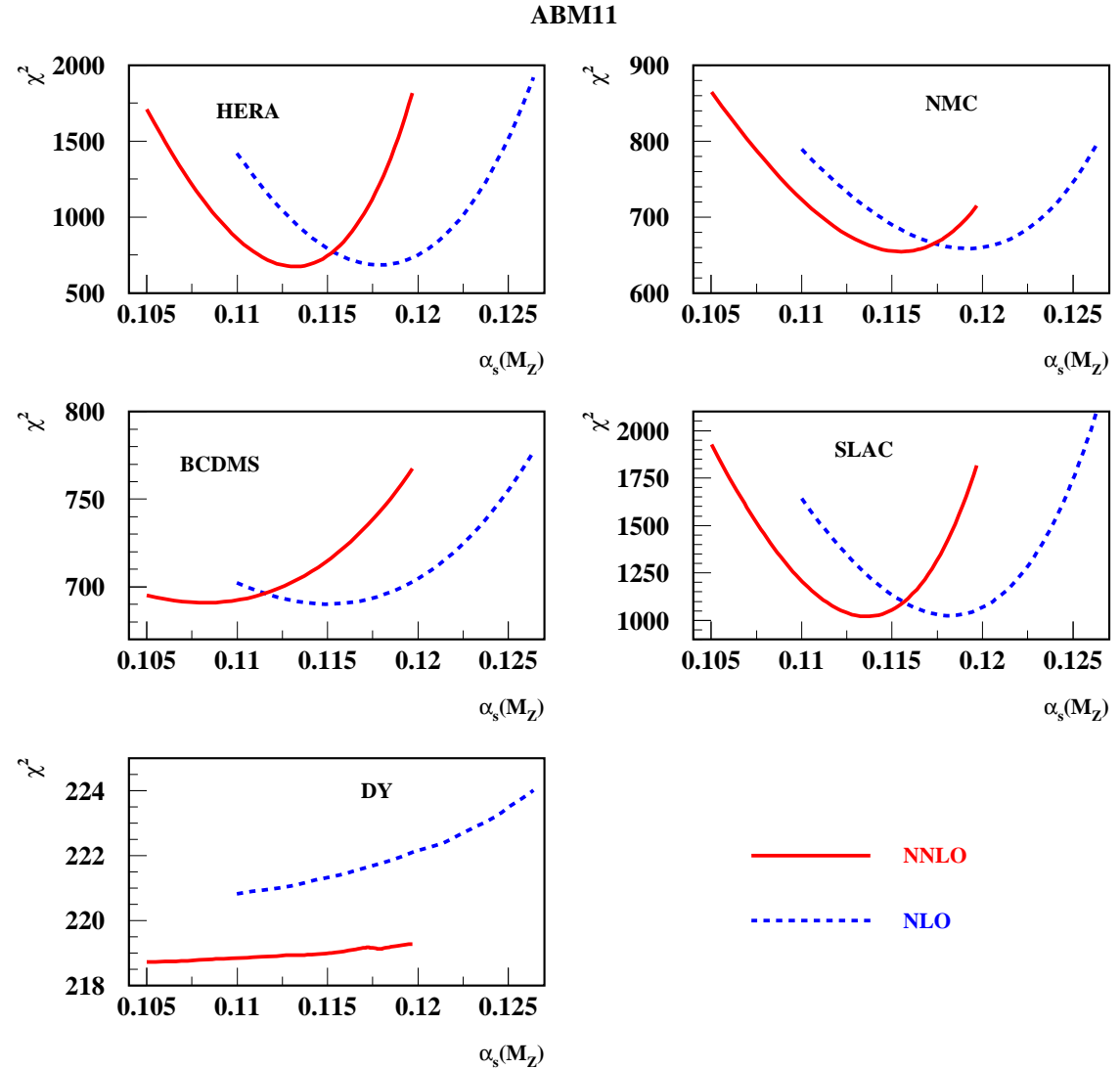
Quality of fit

	Experiment	NDP	$\chi^2(\text{NNLO})$	$\chi^2(\text{NLO})$
DIS inclusive	H1&ZEUS	486	537	531
	H1	130	137	132
	BCDMS	605	705	695
	NMC	490	665	661
	SLAC-E-49a	118	63	63
	SLAC-E-49b	299	357	357
	SLAC-E-87	218	210	219
	SLAC-E-89a	148	219	215
	SLAC-E-89b	162	133	132
	SLAC-E-139	17	11	11
SLAC-E-140	26	28	29	
Drell-Yan	FNAL-E-605	119	167	167
	FNAL-E-866	39	52	55
DIS di-muon	NuTeV	89	46	49
	CCFR	89	61	62
Total		3036	3391	3378

Strong coupling constant

α_s from DIS and PDFs

- Sensitivity of individual data sets on α_s
 - χ^2 profile for different data sets
 - very good consistency
 - order dependence
 $\alpha_S^{\text{NNLO}}(M_Z) < \alpha_S^{\text{NLO}}(M_Z)$

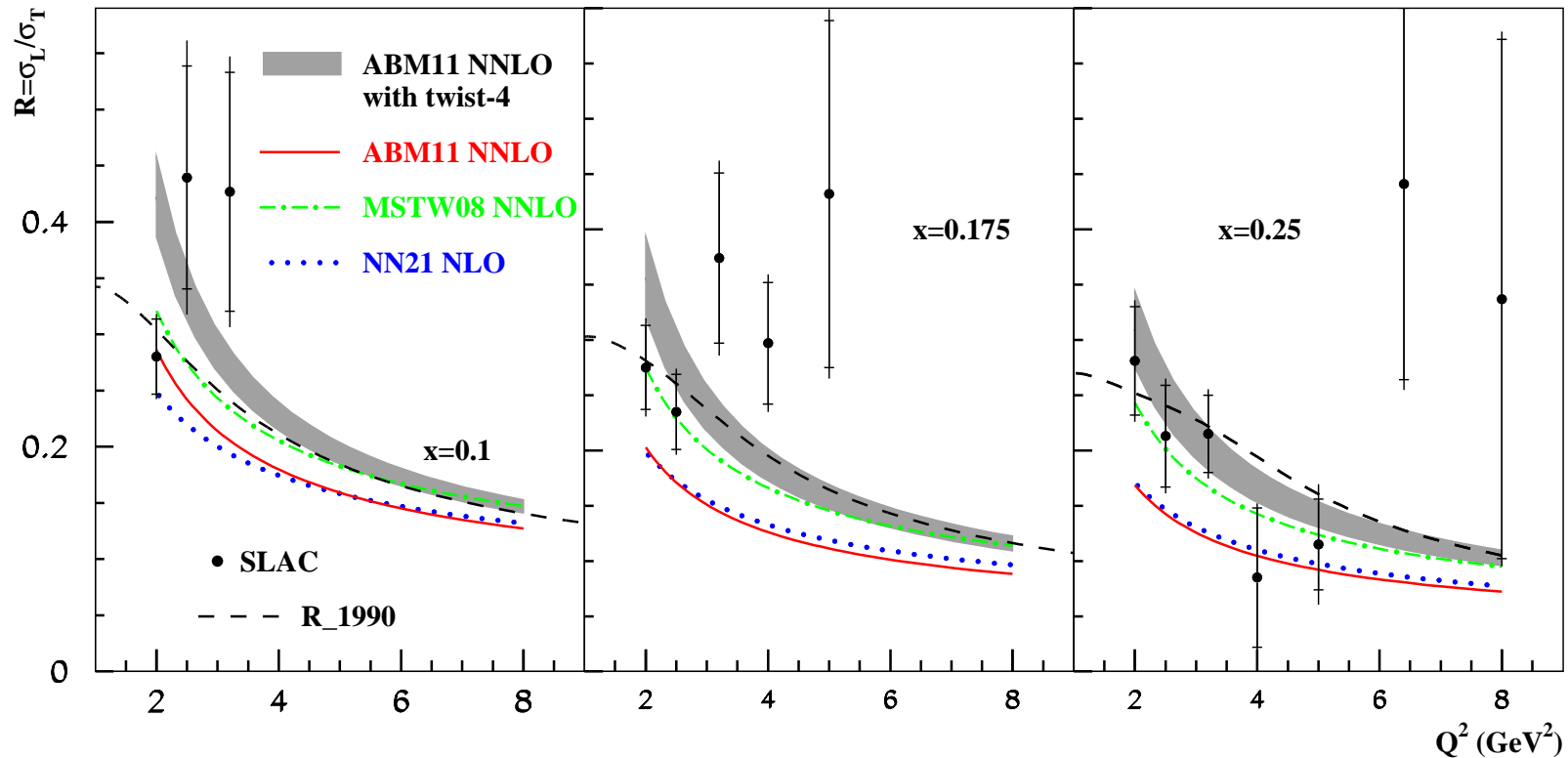


Comparison of α_s determinations

- Differences in α_s values:
 - result from different physics models and analysis procedures
 - target mass corrections (powers of nucleon mass M_N^2/Q^2)
 - higher twist $F_2^{\text{ht}} = F_2 + ht^{(4)}(x)/Q^2 + ht^{(6)}(x)/Q^4 + \dots$
 - error correlations
- Effects for differences between **ABM**, **MSTW** and **NN21** understood
 - variants of **ABM** with no higher twist etc. reproduce larger α_s values

	α_s at NNLO	target mass corr.	higher twist	error correl.
ABM11	0.1134 ± 0.0011	yes	yes	yes
NNPDF21	0.1166 ± 0.0008	yes	no	yes
MSTW	0.1171 ± 0.0014	no	no	no

Value of $R = \sigma_L/\sigma_T$ from SLAC



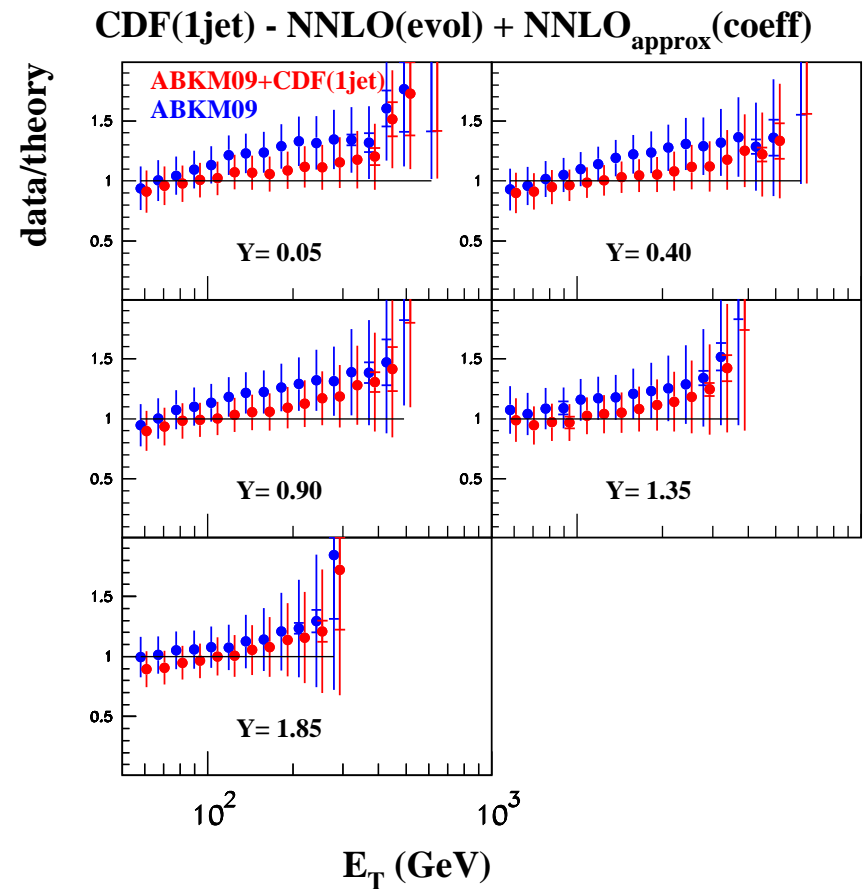
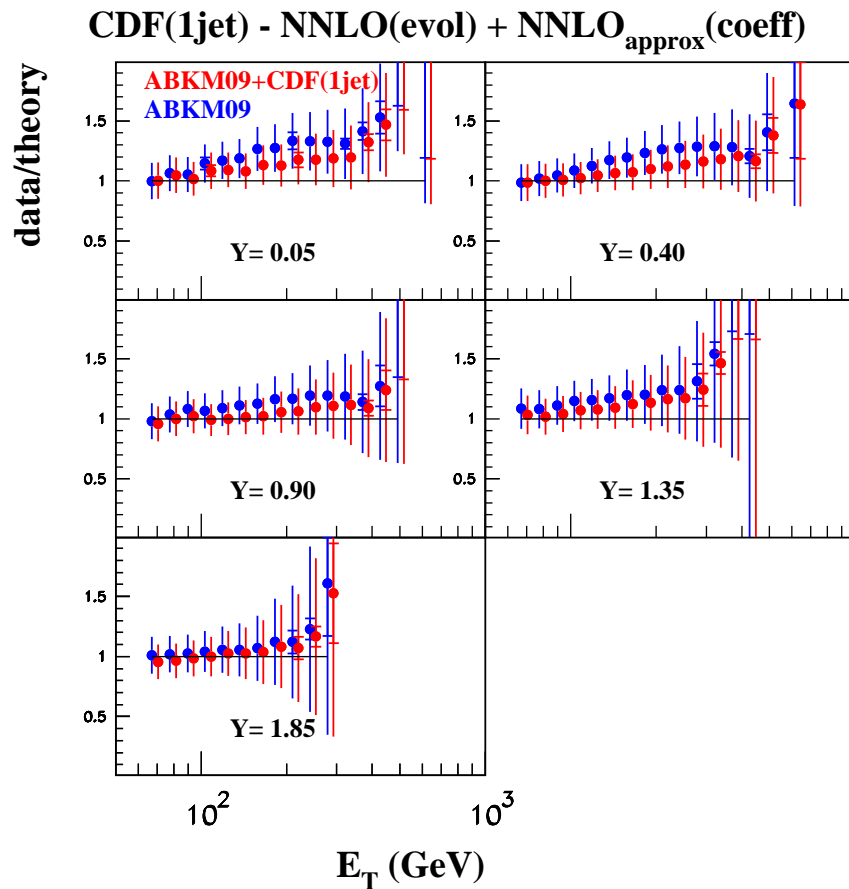
- $R = \sigma_L/\sigma_T$ as function of Q^2 for different values of x
 - 1σ band of for ABM11 NNLO predictions
 - comparison to MSTW, NN21 PDFs and ABM11 variant without twist-4 terms
 - empirical parameterization R_{1990} superimposed
- Similar discussion for NMC data [Alekhin, Blümlein, S.M. arXiv:1101.5261](#)

Jet production

General remarks

- QCD corrections important
 - only NLO known exactly
 - soft logarithms for 1-jet inclusive distributions define NNLO_{approx}
Kidonakis, Owens '01; de Florian, Vogelsang '07
 - ongoing effort towards NNLO Gehrmann, Glover, ... (many others)
- PDF fits with 3-flavors for DIS, 5-flavors for jets
(matching from 3 to 5-flavors)
- QCD evolution over large range
- Possible impact of jet definition and algorithm

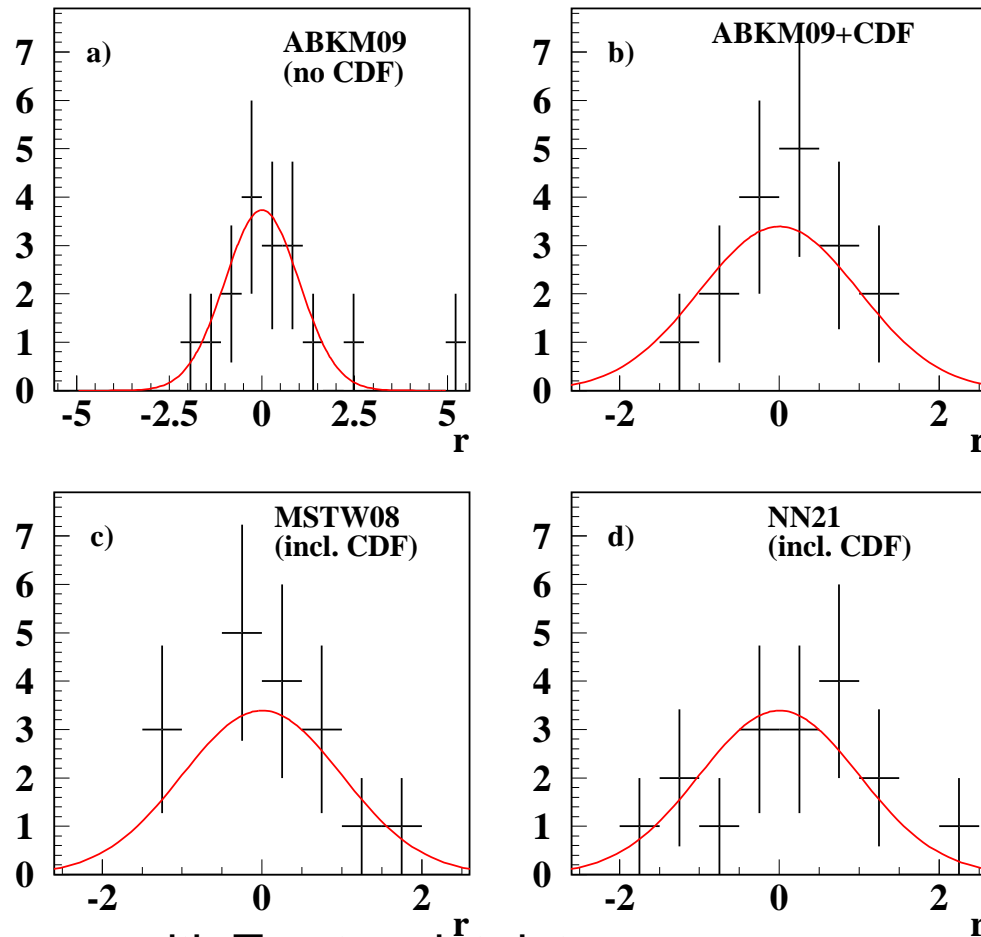
Tevatron jet data (CDF) – 1-jet inclusive



- Cone algorithm (left); k_T algorithm (right); scale $\mu_r = \mu_f = p_T$
- Disagreement in slope at large E_T can hardly be improved
 - large E_T is dominated by quark-quark scattering; PDFs well constrained

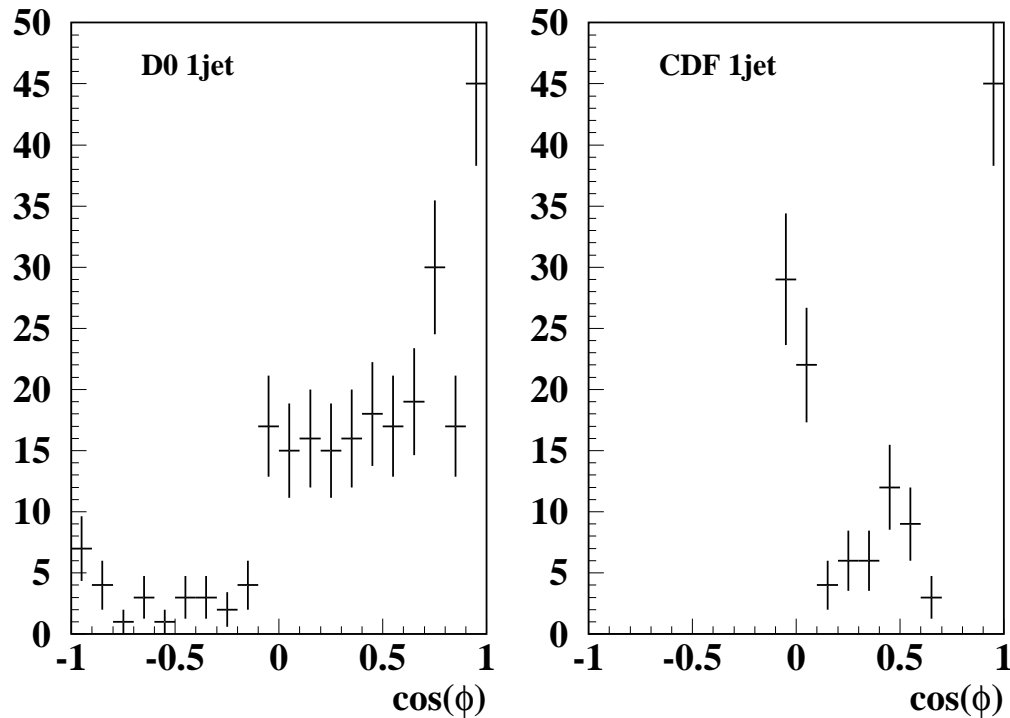
Statistics of Tevatron jet data

CDF 1jet(k_T), RunII



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 - systematic uncertainties treated with nuisance parameters
 - check impact of data normalization

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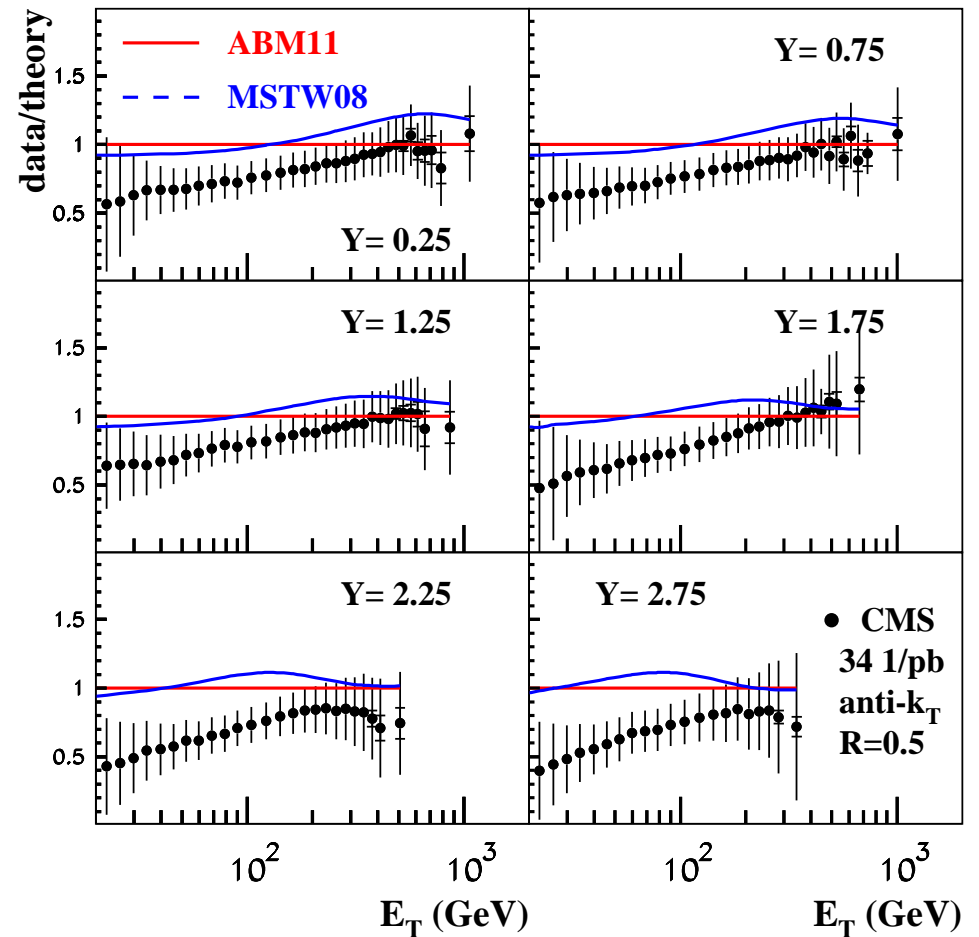
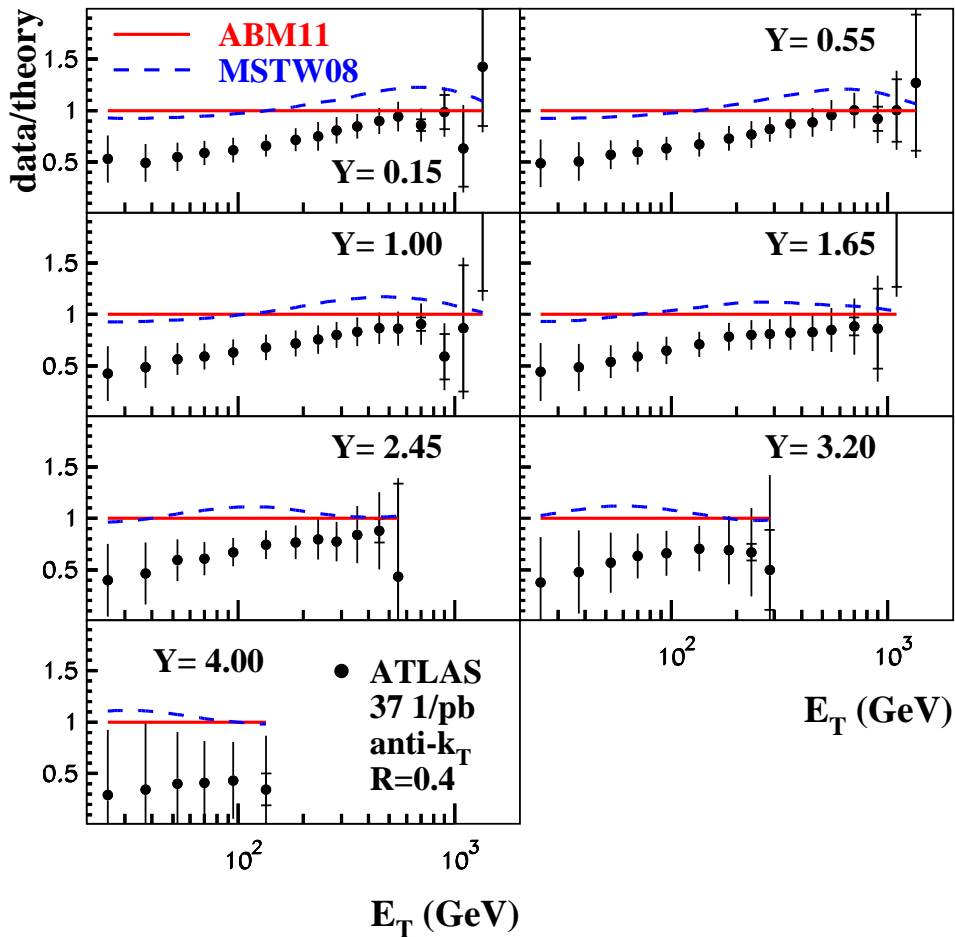
- Statistical issues with Tevatron jet data
 - cosine of angles between systematic uncertainty vectors $s_{k,i}$
 - expect symmetric distribution of $\cos(\phi_{kk'})$ with peak at $\cos(\phi) = 0$

$$\cos(\phi_{kk'}) = \frac{\sum_i s_{k,i} s_{k',i}}{\sqrt{\sum_i s_{k,i}^2 \sum_i s_{k',i}^2}}.$$

LHC jet data

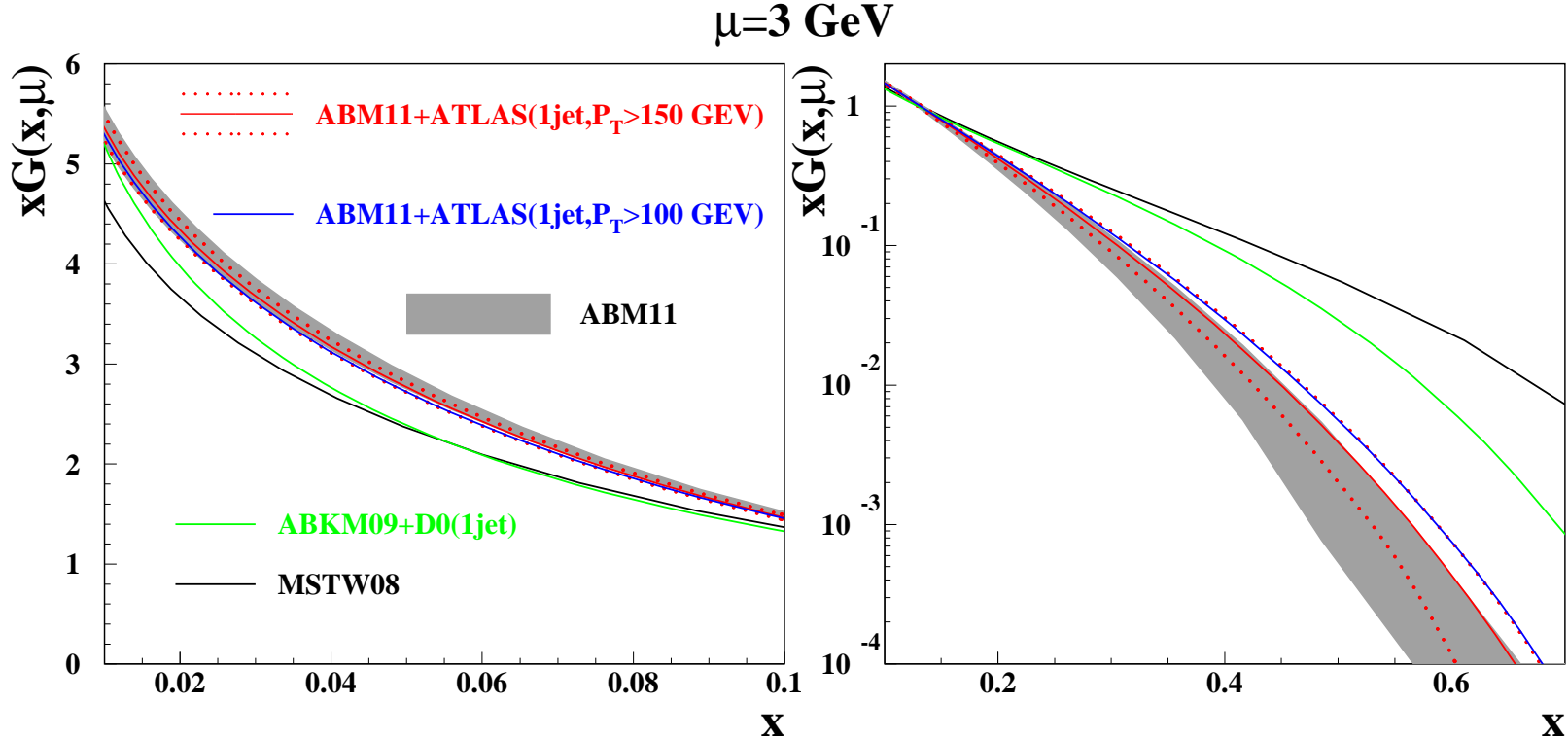
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- Comparison to LHC data: **ATLAS coll.** (left) and **CMS coll.** (right) in good agreement
- LHC jet data prefers small gluon PDF at large x

Atlas jet data in ABM11 fit



- $\chi^2/\text{NDP} = 55/55$ for ATLAS inclusive jet data with $p_T > 100/150 \text{ GeV}$
- ATLAS jet data suggest softer gluons than Tevatron jets
- Comparison of α_s values
 - ABM11: $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1134(11)$; Atlas jets: $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1141(8)$
 - NLO analysis: $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1151 \pm 0.0047(\text{exp}) \pm 0.0023(\text{PDFs})$
Malaescu, Starovoitov '12

Impact on Higgs production rates (Atlas jets)

- Rates for Higgs production at LHC for $m_H = 125$ GeV
- Cross sections prediction fully consistent with ABM11

LHC at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV	ABM11	Atlas jets $p_T \geq 100$ GeV	Atlas jets $p_T \geq 150$ GeV
$\sigma(H)$ [pb]	13.23 $^{+1.35}_{-1.31}$ $^{+0.30}_{-0.30}$	13.32 $^{+1.37}_{-1.33}$ $^{+0.22}_{-0.22}$	13.23 $^{+1.35}_{-1.31}$ $^{+0.22}_{-0.22}$

LHC at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV	ABM11	Atlas jets $p_T \geq 100$ GeV	Atlas jets $p_T \geq 150$ GeV
$\sigma(H)$ [pb]	16.99 $^{+1.69}_{-1.63}$ $^{+0.37}_{-0.37}$	17.10 $^{+1.71}_{-1.65}$ $^{+0.27}_{-0.27}$	16.98 $^{+1.69}_{-1.63}$ $^{+0.27}_{-0.27}$

- **MSTW** for comparison
 - $\sigma(H) = 14.39$ $^{+1.54}_{-1.47}$ $^{+0.17}_{-0.22}$ for LHC7
 - $\sigma(H) = 18.36$ $^{+1.92}_{-1.82}$ $^{+0.21}_{-0.28}$ for LHC8

Top quark mass determination

- Determine top quark mass from Tevatron cross section data
 - $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 7.56^{+0.63}_{-0.56}$ pb D0 coll. arXiv:1105.5384
 - $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 7.50^{+0.48}_{-0.48}$ pb CDF coll. CDF-note-9913
- Fit of m_t for individual PDFs
 - parton luminosity at Tevatron driven by $q\bar{q}$
 - $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -scheme for $m_t^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(m_t)$, then scheme transformation to pole mass m_t^{pole} at NNLO

	ABM11	JR09	MSTW08	NN21
$m_t^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(m_t)$	$162.0^{+2.3+0.7}_{-2.3-0.6}$	$163.5^{+2.2+0.6}_{-2.2-0.2}$	$163.2^{+2.2+0.7}_{-2.2-0.8}$	$164.4^{+2.2+0.8}_{-2.2-0.2}$
m_t^{pole}	$171.7^{+2.4+0.7}_{-2.4-0.6}$	$173.3^{+2.3+0.7}_{-2.3-0.2}$	$173.4^{+2.3+0.8}_{-2.3-0.8}$	$174.9^{+2.3+0.8}_{-2.3-0.3}$
(m_t^{pole})	$(169.9^{+2.4+1.2}_{-2.4-1.6})$	$(171.4^{+2.3+1.2}_{-2.3-1.1})$	$(171.3^{+2.3+1.4}_{-2.3-1.8})$	$(172.7^{+2.3+1.4}_{-2.3-1.2})$

- Good consistency within errors for $m_t^{\text{pole}} = 171.7 \dots 174.9$ at NNLO

Top quark cross section at LHC

- Check predictions at LHC with $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$
 - cross section computation with HATHOR (version 1.3)
Aliev, Lacker, Langenfeld, S.M., Uwer, Wiedermann '10; S.M., Uwer, Vogt '12
- Atlas at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 177_{-10}^{+11} \text{ pb}$
Atlas coll. ATLAS-CONF-2012-024
- CMS at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 165.8_{-13.3}^{+13.3} \text{ pb}$
CMS coll. CMS-PAS-TOP-11-024

	ABM11	JR09	MSTW08	NN21
$m_t^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(m_t)$	$159.0_{-2.0}^{+2.1} {}_{-1.4}^{+0.7}$	$165.3_{-2.2}^{+2.3} {}_{-1.2}^{+0.6}$	$166.0_{-2.2}^{+2.3} {}_{-1.5}^{+0.7}$	$166.7_{-2.2}^{+2.3} {}_{-1.3}^{+0.8}$
m_t^{pole}	$168.6_{-2.2}^{+2.3} {}_{-1.5}^{+0.7}$	$175.1_{-2.3}^{+2.4} {}_{-1.3}^{+0.6}$	$176.4_{-2.3}^{+2.4} {}_{-1.6}^{+0.8}$	$177.4_{-2.3}^{+2.4} {}_{-1.4}^{+0.8}$
(m_t^{pole})	$(166.1_{-2.1}^{+2.2} {}_{-2.3}^{+1.7})$	$(172.6_{-2.3}^{+2.4} {}_{-2.1}^{+1.6})$	$(173.5_{-2.3}^{+2.4} {}_{-2.5}^{+1.8})$	$(174.5_{-2.3}^{+2.4} {}_{-2.3}^{+2.0})$

- Large spread $m_t^{\text{pole}} = 168.6 \dots 177.4$ at NNLO (marginally consistent)
 - larger gluon and α_s imply larger m_t^{pole}

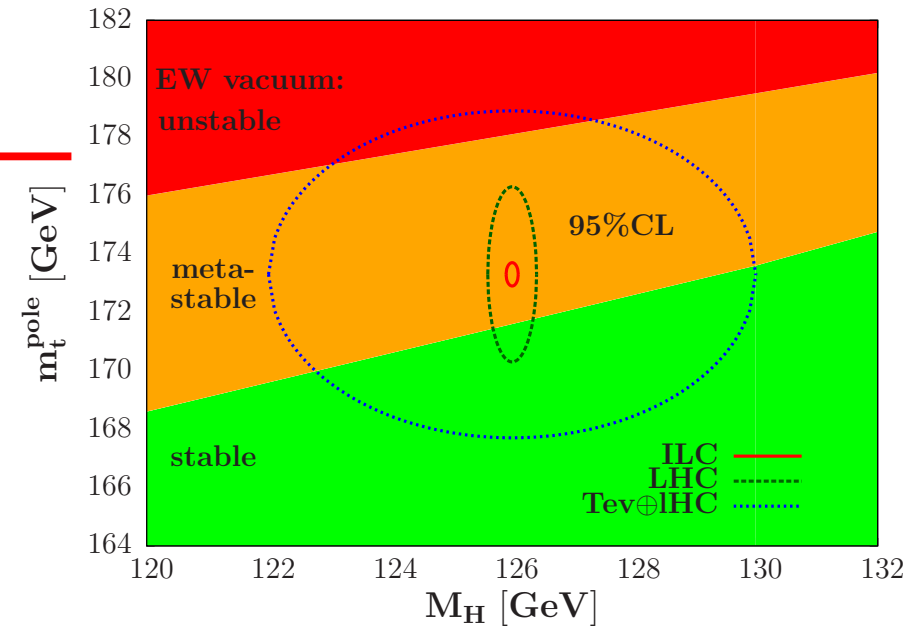
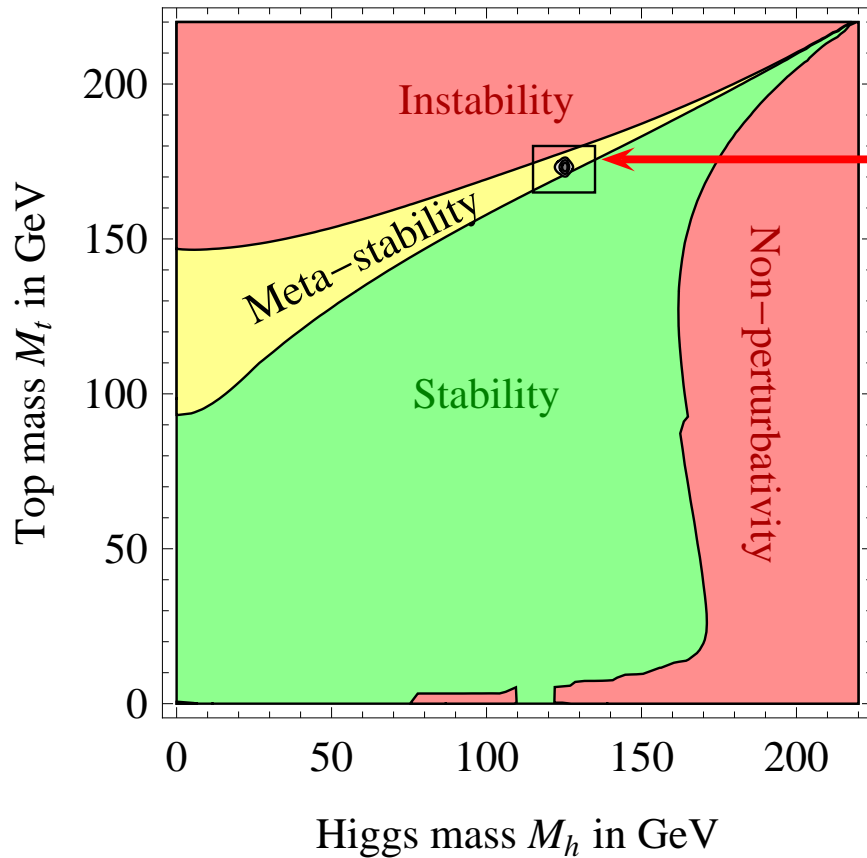
Implications on electroweak vacuum

- Relation between Higgs mass m_H and top-quark mass m_t
 - condition of absolute stability of electroweak vacuum $\lambda(\mu) \geq 0$
 - extrapolation of Standard Model up to Planck scale M_P
 - $\lambda(M_P) \geq 0$ implies lower bound on Higgs mass m_H

$$m_H \geq 129.2 + 1.8 \times \left(\frac{m_t^{\text{pole}} - 173.2 \text{ GeV}}{0.9 \text{ GeV}} \right) - 0.5 \times \left(\frac{\alpha_s(M_Z) - 0.1184}{0.0007} \right) \pm 1.0 \text{ GeV}$$

- recent NNLO analyses Bezrukov, Kalmykov, Kniehl, Shaposhnikov '12; Degrassi, Di Vita, Elias-Miro, Espinosa, Giudice et al. '12
 - uncertainty in results due to α_s and m_t (pole mass scheme)
- Top-quark mass from Tevatron in well-defined scheme
 - $m_t^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(m_t) = 163.3 \pm 2.7 \text{ GeV}$ implies in pole mass scheme $m_t^{\text{pole}} = 173.3 \pm 2.8 \text{ GeV}$
 - good consistency of mass value between different PDF sets

Implications on electroweak vacuum



Degrassi, Di Vita, Elias-Miro, Espinosa, Giudice et al. '12; Alekhin, Djouadi, S.M. '12

- Uncertainty in Higgs bound due to m_t from in \overline{MS} scheme
 - bound relaxes $m_H \geq 129.4 \pm 5.6$ GeV
 - “fate of universe” still undecided

Summary

Parton distributions, $\alpha_s(M_Z)$ and all that

- New ABM11 fit with improvements driven by theory
 - very good description of hadron collider data
- Strong coupling constant
 - ABM11 $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1134(11)$ (ABKM09 $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1135(14)$)
 - differences with respect to other groups understood
- Continuous benchmarking mandatory
 - source of interesting observations

Confronting LHC data

- PDFs with LHC jet data change gluon PDF and $\alpha_s(M_Z)$ within quoted uncertainty
 - Atlas jets prefer softer gluon than Tevatron
- Cross sections for Higgs production in gluon fusion almost unchanged compared to ABM11
- Top-quark production cross section with m_t from Tevatron data