

# Exclusive $J/\psi$ photoproduction: connecting PDFs and GPDs

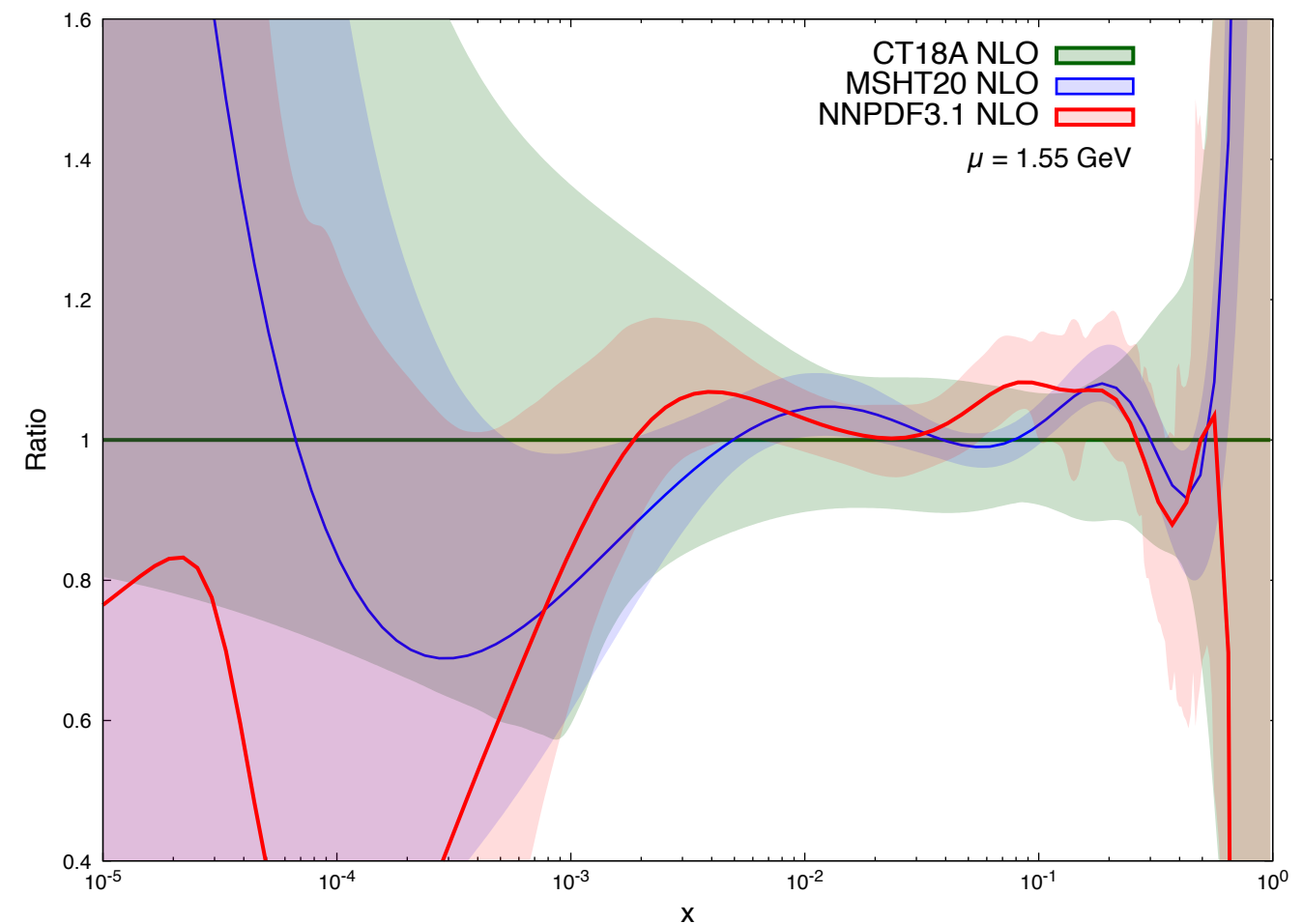
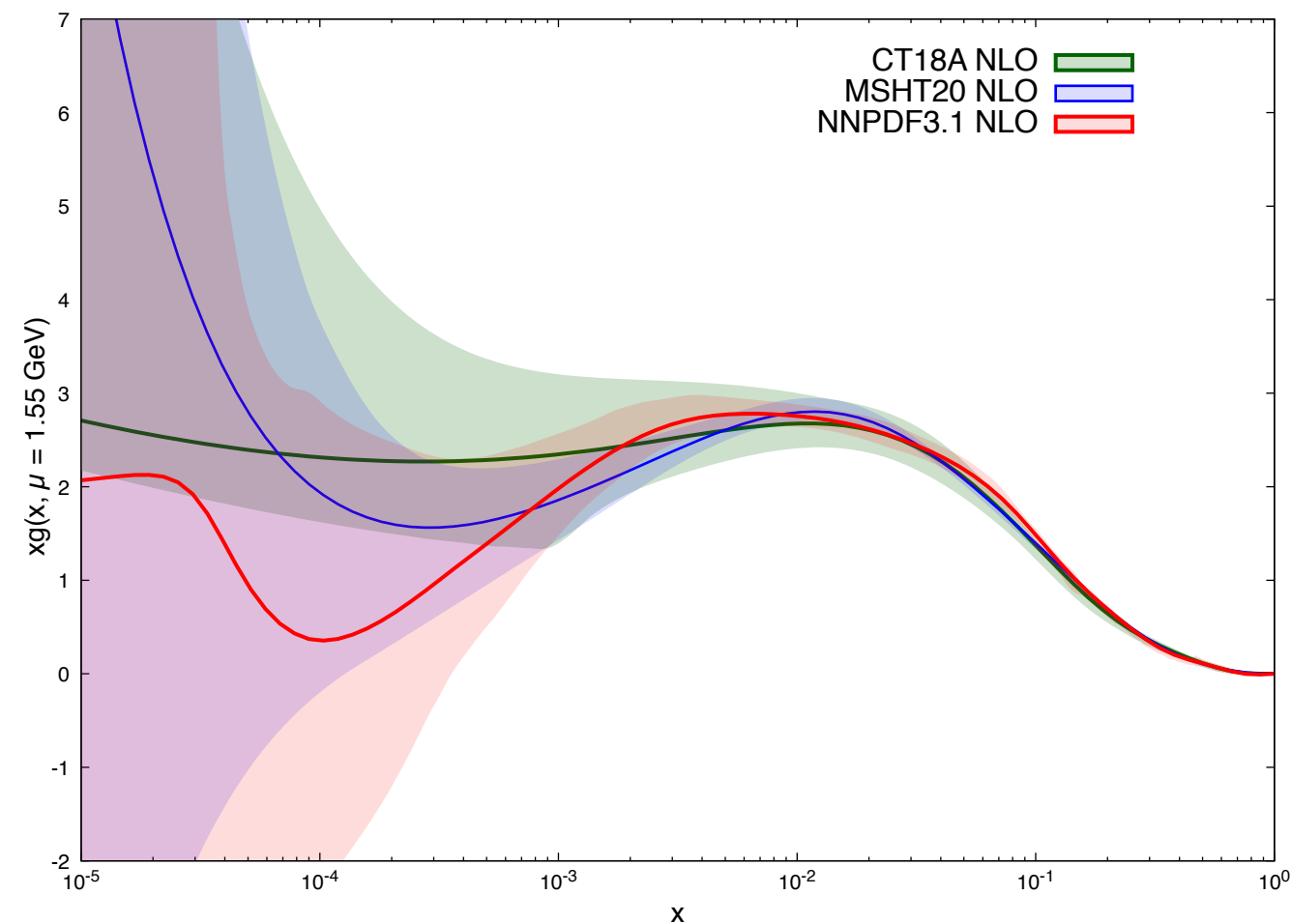
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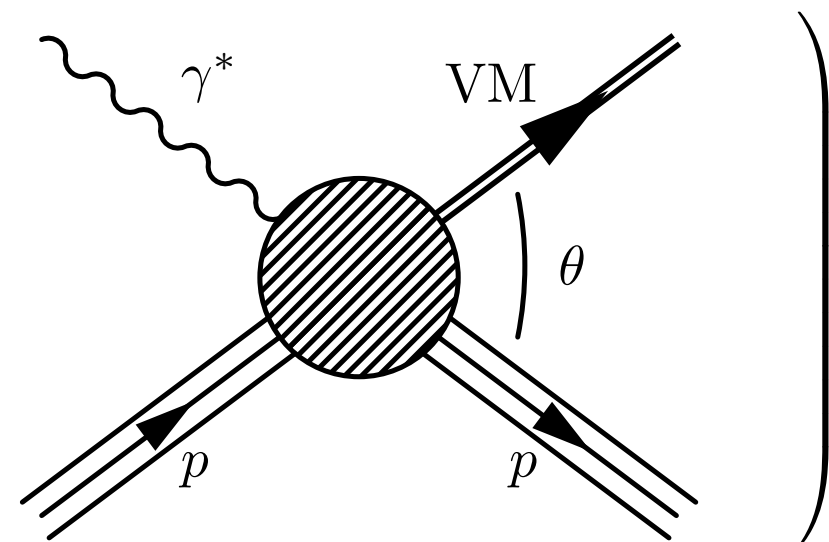
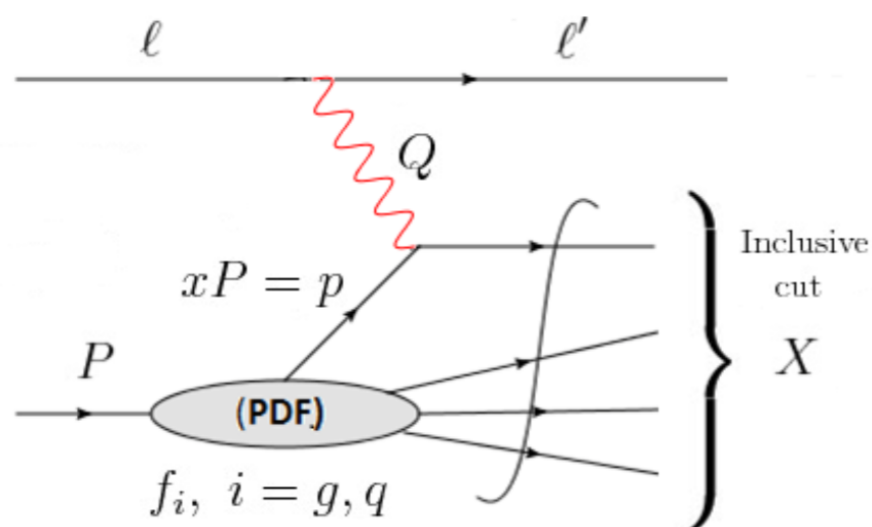
LLx exclusive  $J/\psi$   
production:

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*Ryskin 1993*

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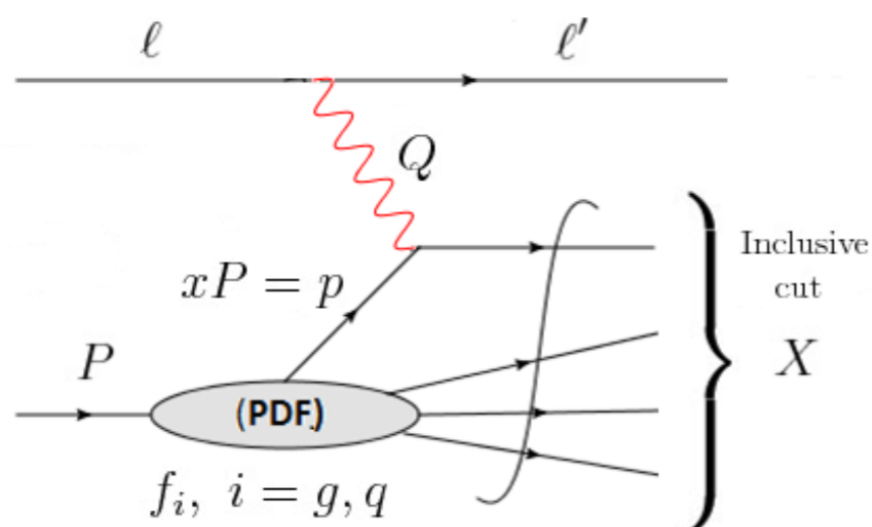
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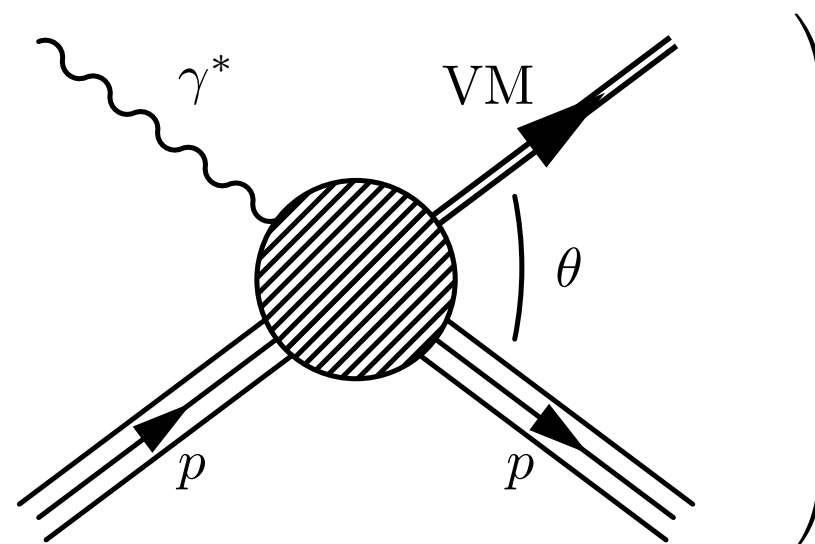
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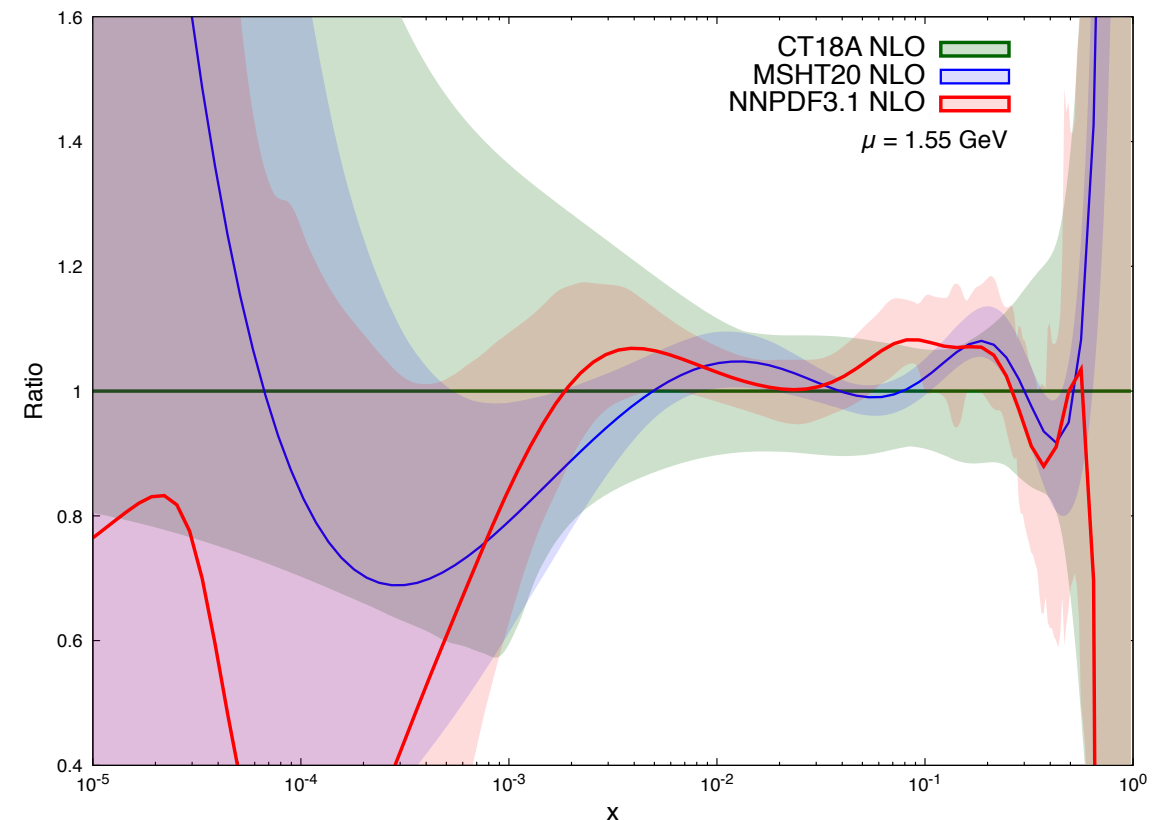
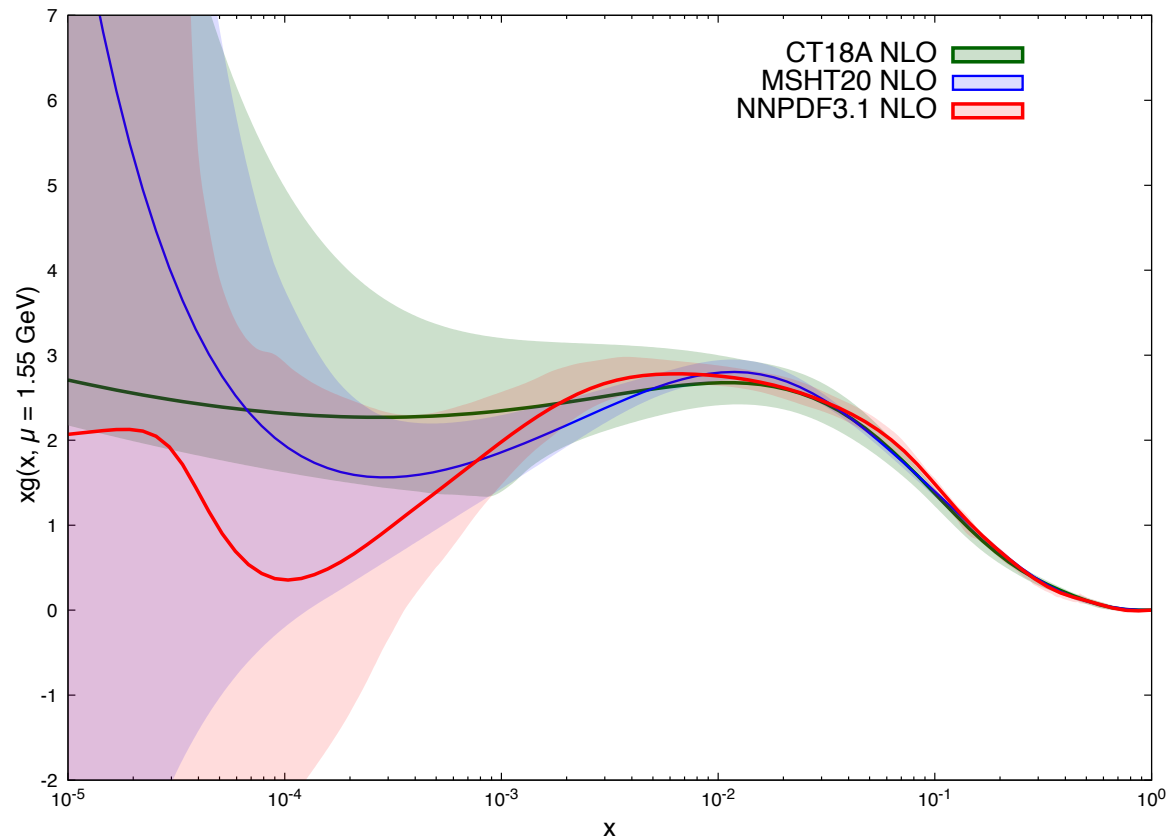


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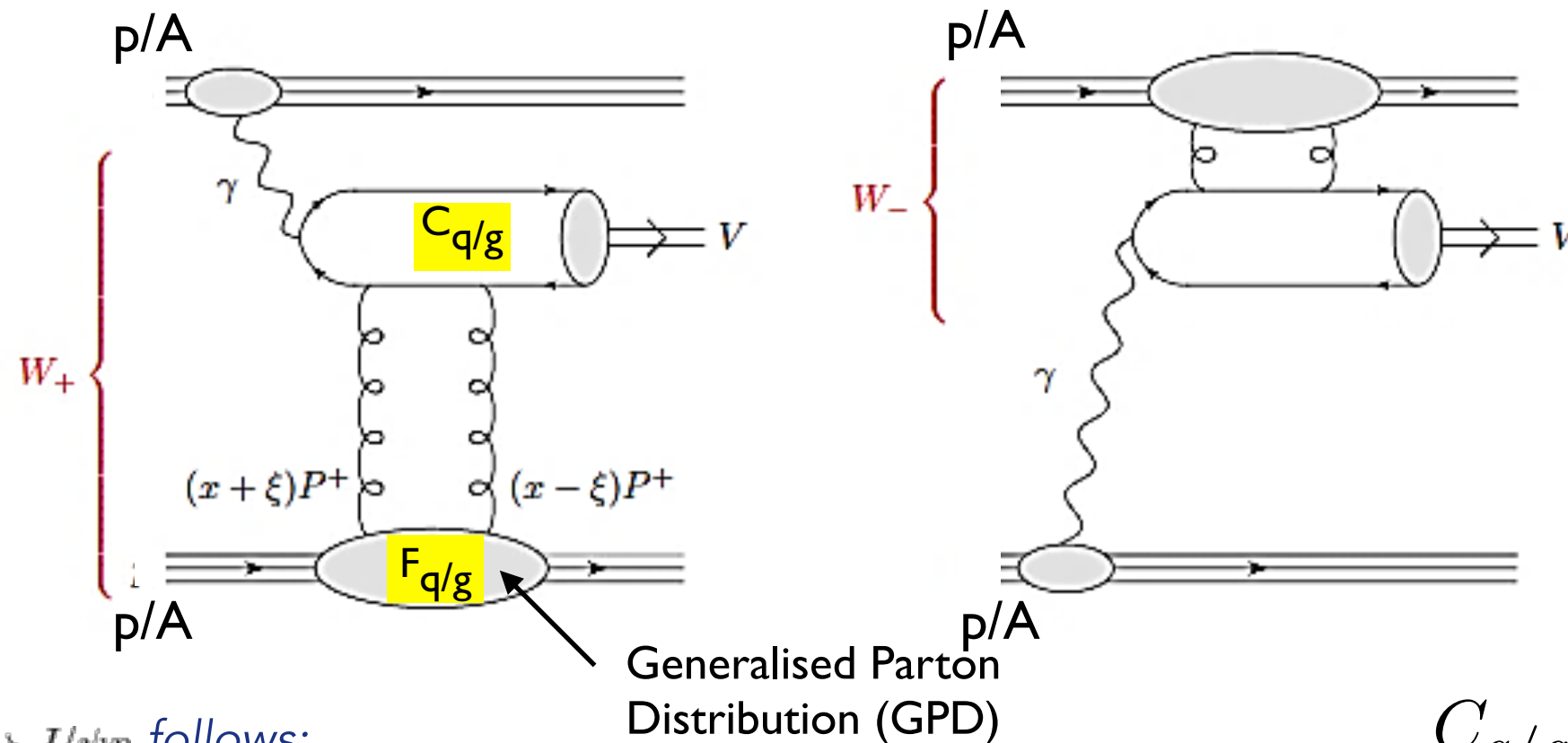
This talk: how to counteract these problems and so allow exclusive  $J/\psi$  data to probe gluon PDF down to

$$x \sim 3 \times 10^{-6} \quad \& \quad \mu = O(M_{J/\psi}/2)$$



# General Set up and Framework

Exclusive  $J/\psi$  photoproduction in  $p+p$  ( $A+A$ ) UPC collisions in collinear factorisation



Setup for  $\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p$  follows:

Ivanov, Schäfer, Szymanowski, Krasnikov, 04

- Factorisation:  $F_{q/g} \otimes C_{q/g} \otimes \phi_{Q\bar{Q}}^V$
- Leading zeroth order term in rel. velocity (NRQCD)
- Colour singlet exchange between hard and soft sectors

$$A \propto \int_{-1}^1 dx \left[ C_g(x, \xi) F_g(x, \xi) + \sum_{q=u,d,s} C_q(x, \xi) F_q(x, \xi) \right]$$

$C_{q/g}$

**Photoproduction:**

- hep-ph/0401131

Ivanov, Schäfer, Szymanowski, Krasnikov, 04

**Electroproduction:**

- arXiv:1903.00171
- arXiv:2105.07657

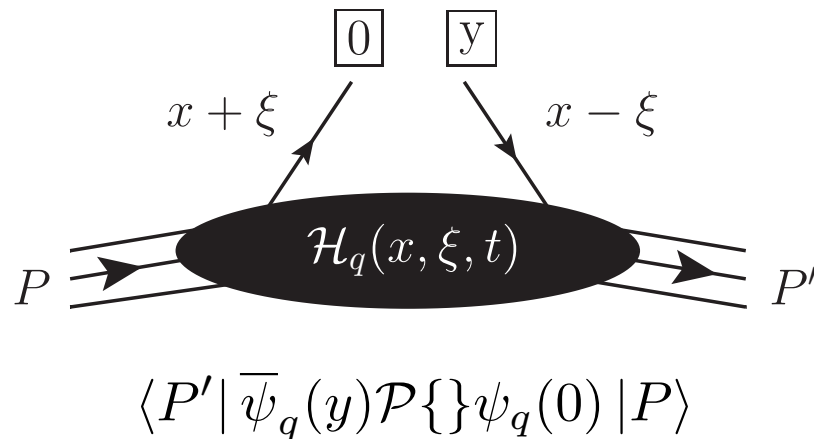
Chen, Qiao, 19

CAF, Gracey, Jones, Teubner, 21

# GPDs and the Shuvaev transform

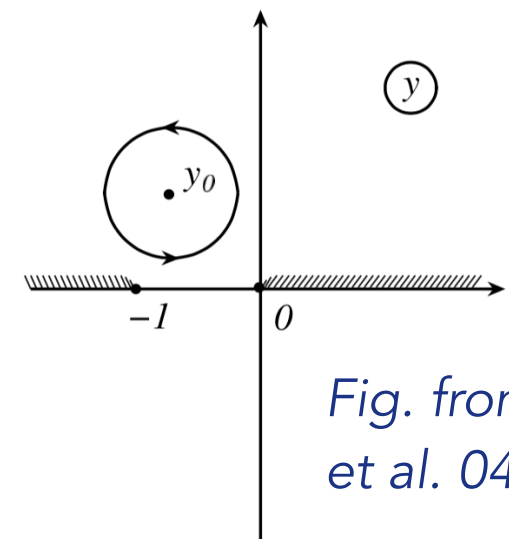
GPDs generalise PDFs: outgoing/incoming partons carry different momentum fractions

*Müller 94; Radyushkin 97; Ji 97*



**Shuvaev:** Relates GPDs to PDFs at small  $x$  under physically motivated assumptions c.f analyticity

*Shuvaev 99 Martin et al. 09*



*Fig. from Ivanov et al. 04*

Idea: Conformal moments of GPDs = Mellin moments of PDFs

(up to corrections of  $O(\xi^2)$  @ LO and  $O(\xi)$  @ NLO)

- Construct GPD grids in multidimensional parameter space  $x, \xi/x, qsq$  with forward PDFs from LHAPDF
- Costly computationally due to slowly converging double integral transform
- Regge theory considerations  $\Rightarrow$  Shuvaev transform valid in space-like (DGLAP) region only. In time-like (ERBL) region imaginary part of coefficient function is zero

# Shuvaev transform

**Full Transform:**

$$\mathcal{H}_q(x, \xi) = \int_{-1}^1 dx' \left[ \frac{2}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} \int_0^1 \frac{ds}{y(s) \sqrt{1 - y(s)x'}} \right] \frac{d}{dx'} \left( \frac{q(x')}{|x'|} \right),$$
$$\mathcal{H}_g(x, \xi) = \int_{-1}^1 dx' \left[ \frac{2}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} \int_0^1 \frac{ds(x + \xi(1 - 2s))}{y(s) \sqrt{1 - y(s)x'}} \right] \frac{d}{dx'} \left( \frac{g(x')}{|x'|} \right),$$
$$y(s) = \frac{4s(1 - s)}{x + \xi(1 - 2s)}.$$

[ Shuvaev et. al 1999 ]



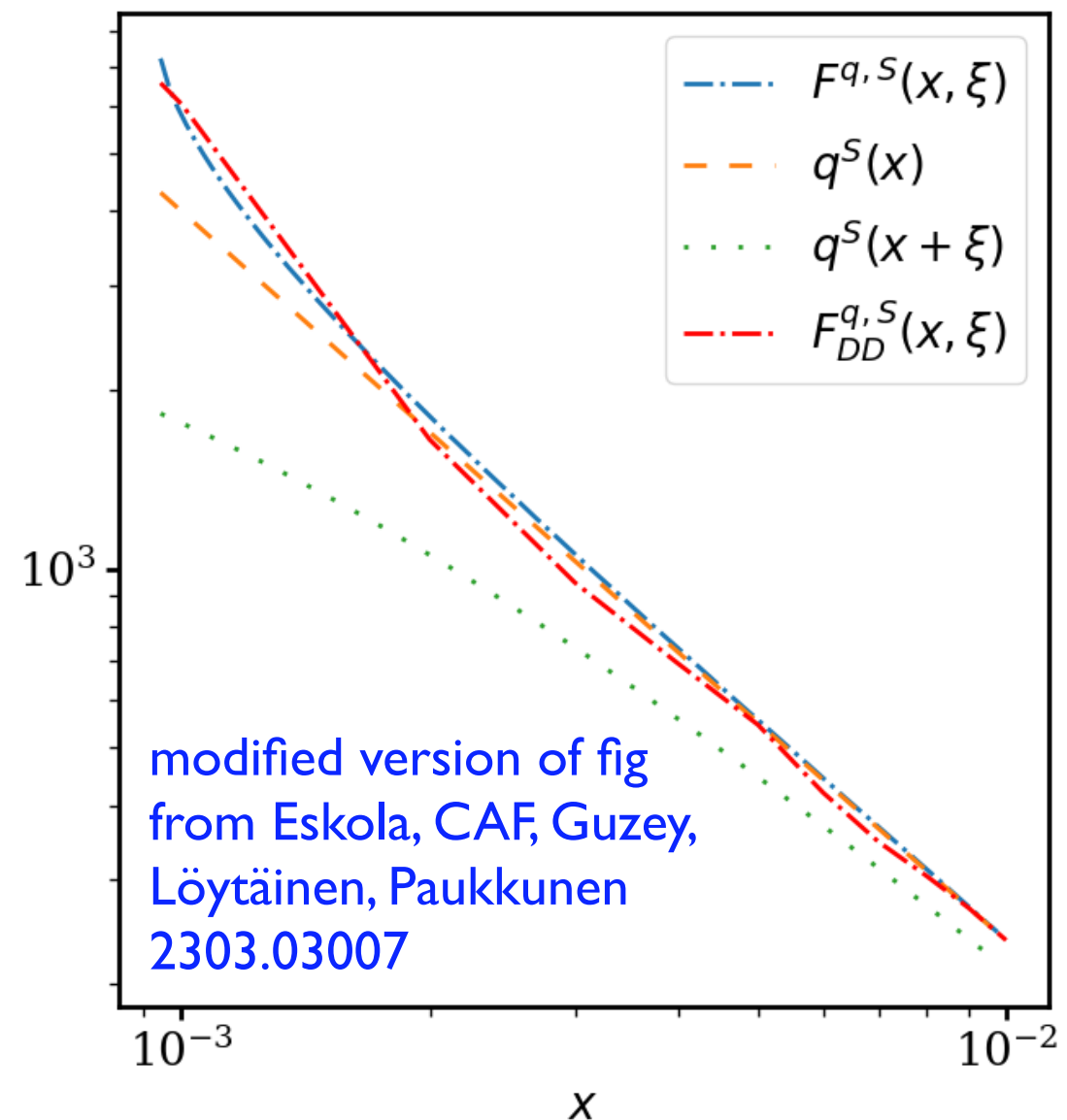
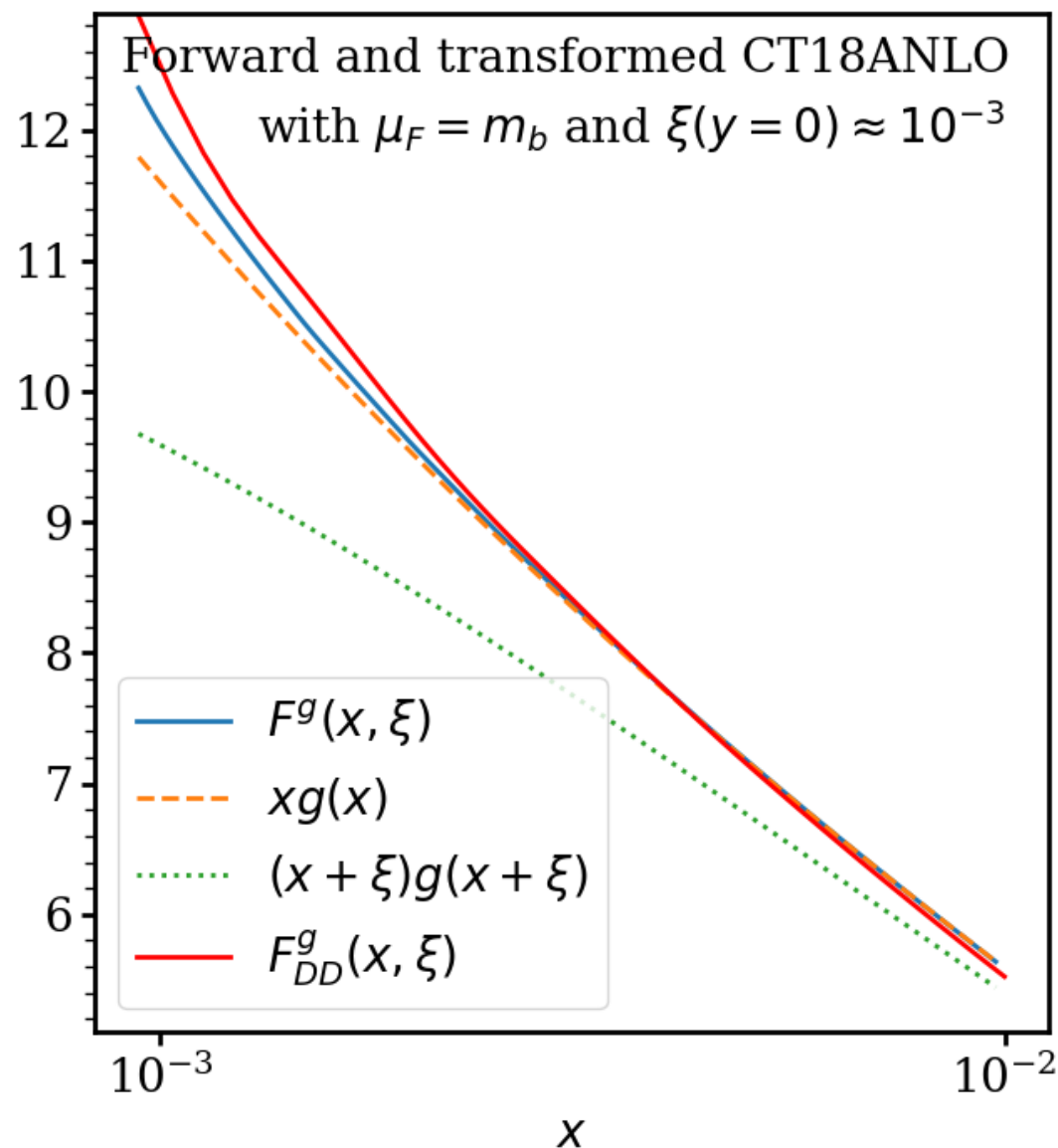
# Shuvaev transform vs. DD model

DD model:

$$H^{g,q}(x, \xi, t = 0, Q_0) = \int_{-1}^1 d\beta \int_{-1+|\beta|}^{1-|\beta|} d\alpha \delta(x - \beta - \alpha\xi) h(\beta, \alpha) H^{g,q}(x, \xi = 0, t = 0, Q_0)$$

Radyushkin hep-ph/9704207

$$h(\beta, \alpha) = \frac{\Gamma(b + 3/2)}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(b + 1)} \frac{[(1 - |\beta|)^2 - \alpha^2]^b}{(1 - |\beta|)^{2b+1}}$$



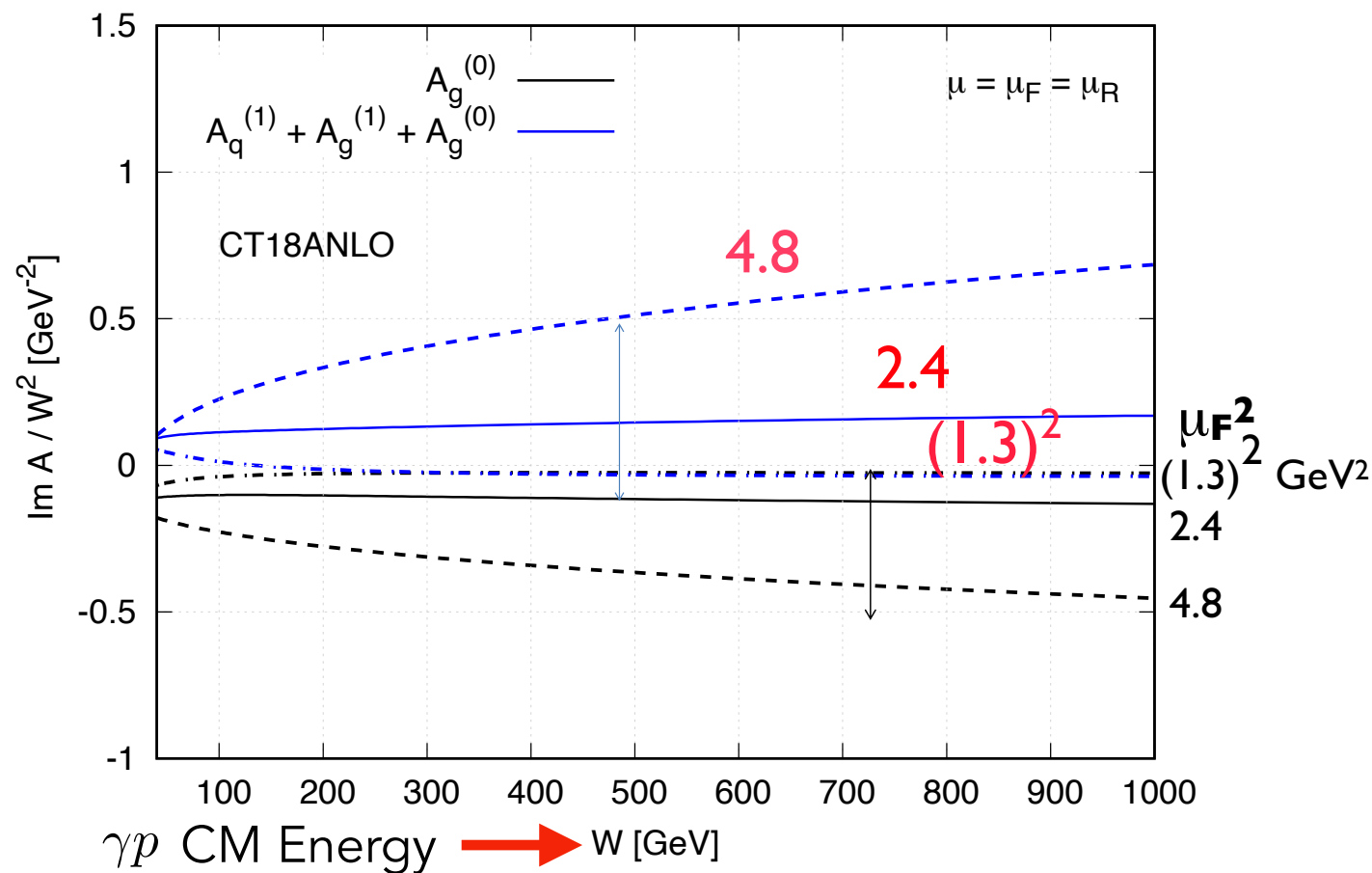
results in qualitative agreement with the LO evolution of GPDs in DGLAP region

# Stability of NLO prediction I+II

## NLO in $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme

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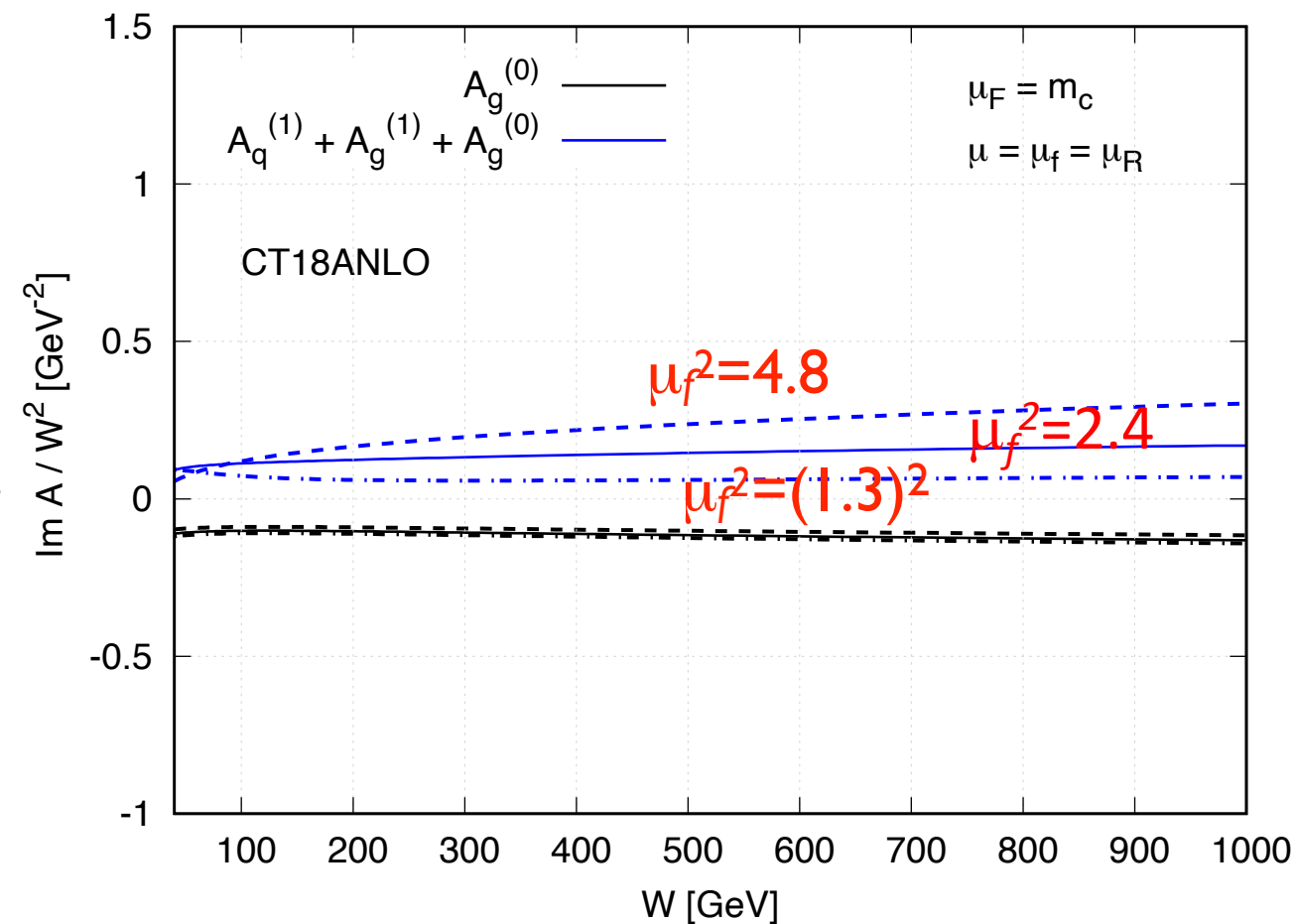
- A. Bad perturbative convergence  $|\text{NLO}_{\text{correctn.}}| > |\text{LO}|$  and
- B. Strong dependence on scale  $\mu_f$  opp. sign



## 'Effective' small-x resummation

Jones et al., 1507.06942

Resummation of  
 $(\alpha_s \ln(1/\xi) \ln(\mu_F/m))^n$



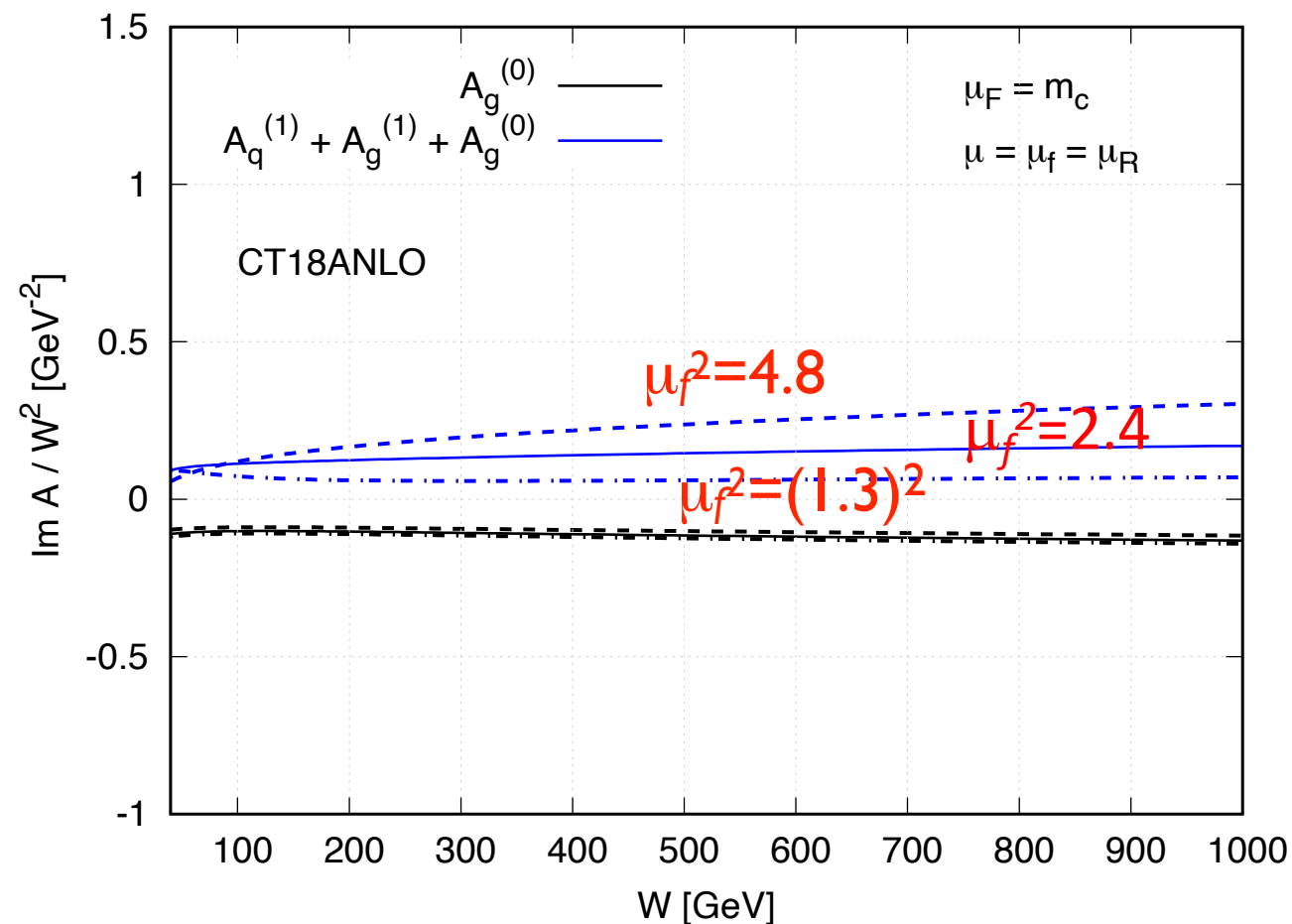
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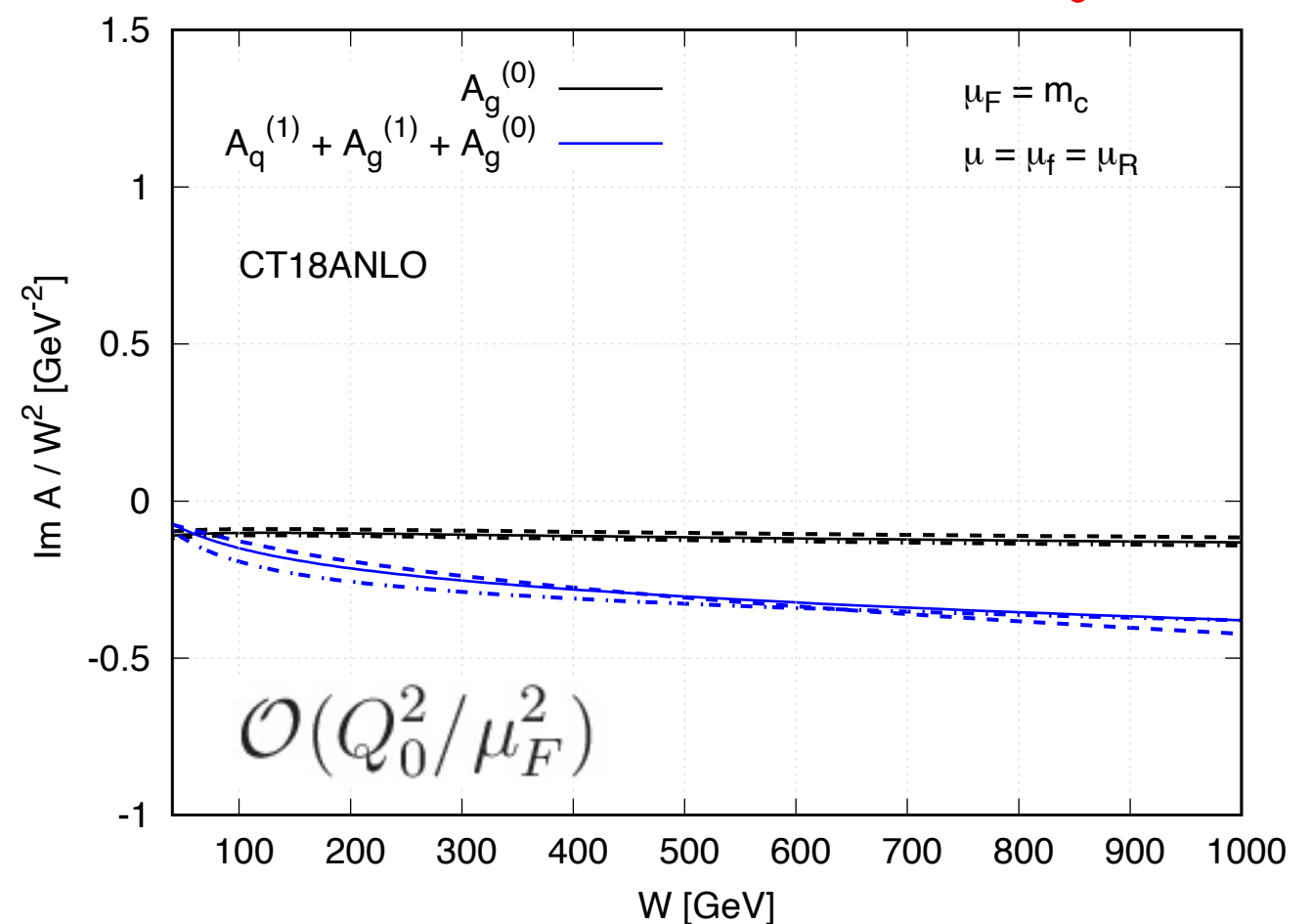
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## Low $l_t < Q_0$ subtraction

Jones et al., 1610.02272

Subtract DGLAP contribution NLO ( $|\ell^2| < Q_0^2$ )  
 from known NLO MSbar coefficient function to avoid a  
 double counting with input GPD at  $Q_0$ .



Predictions based on three global PDF analyses differ dramatically in large energy LHC region but are compatible in lower energy HERA region\*

\*See backup slides for details/plots  
 CAF, Jones, Martin, Ryskin, Teubner, 1908.08398

# Extraction of low x gluon PDF via exclusive J/psi

Error budgets: errors due to parameter variations in global fits >> experimental uncertainty and scale variations in the theoretical result

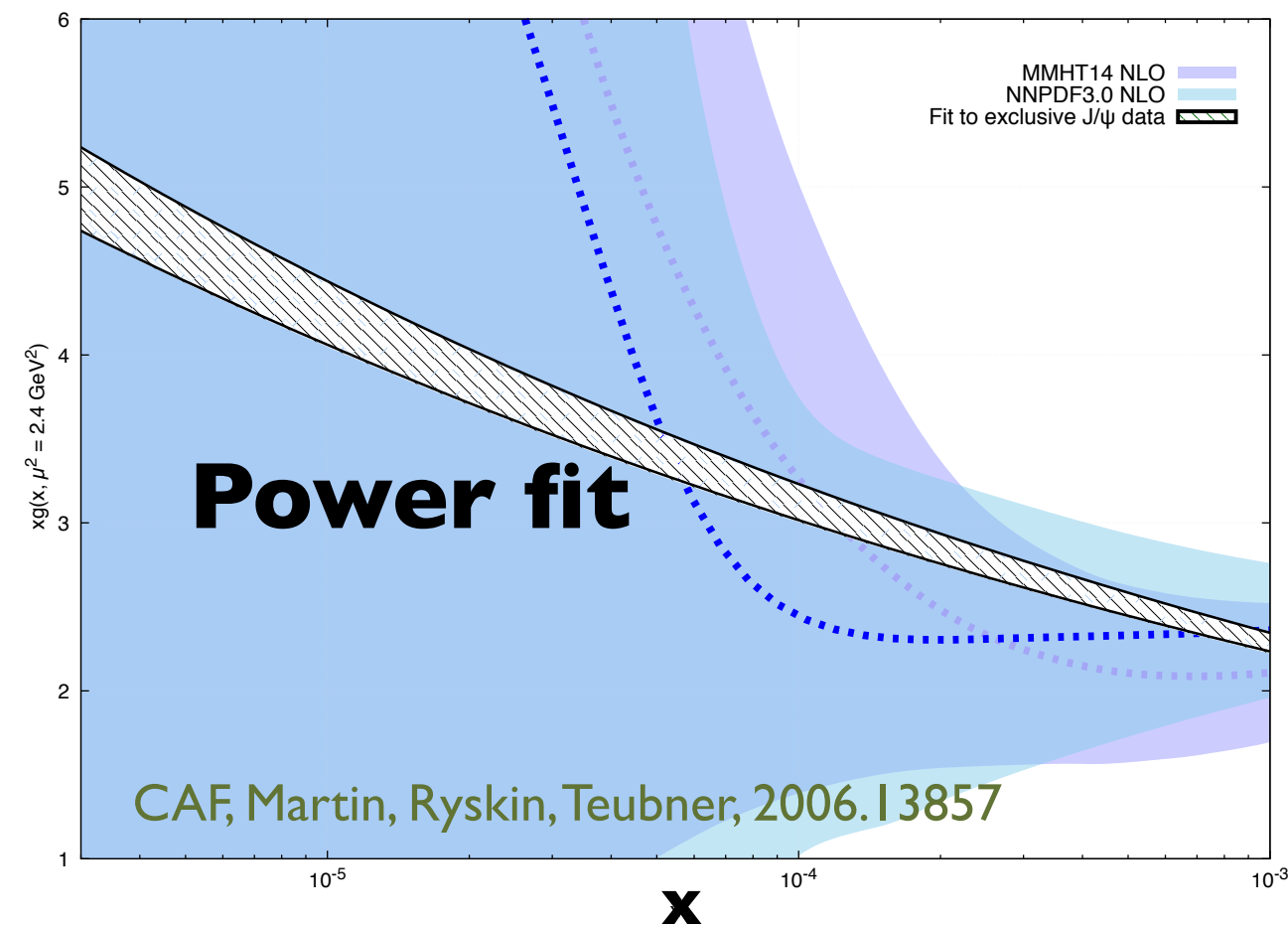
	$\lambda$	$n$	$\chi^2_{\min}$	$\chi^2_{\min}/\text{d.o.f}$
NNPDF3.0	0.136	0.966	44.51	1.04
MMHT14	0.136	1.082	47.00	1.09
CT14	0.132	0.946	48.25	1.12

$$xg^{\text{new}}(x, \mu_0^2) = nN_0 (1-x) x^{-\lambda}$$

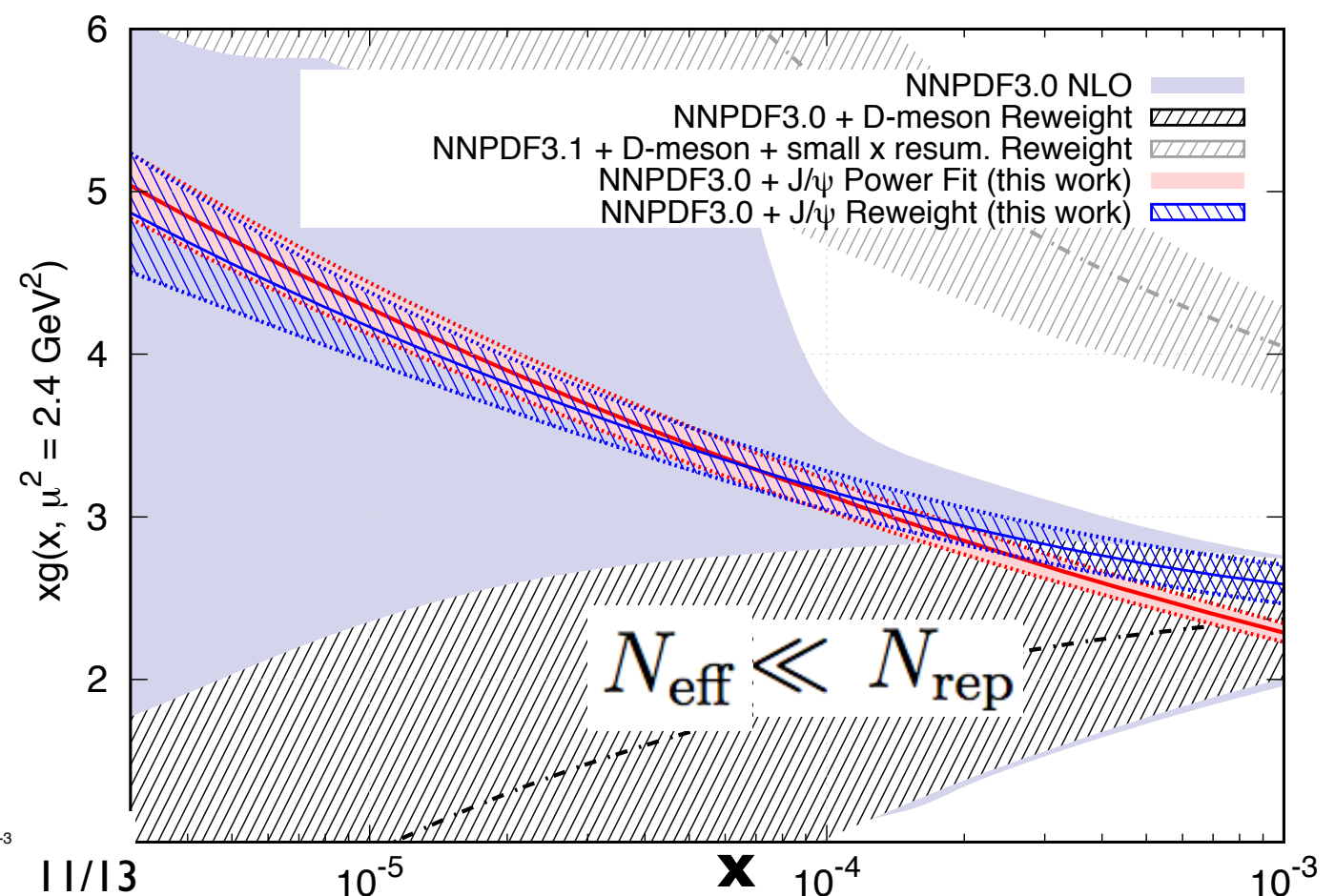
$$\lambda = 0.136 \pm 0.006$$

$$n = 0.966 \pm 0.025$$

Fit a low x gluon PDF ansatz to the data



Bayesian profile current global PDF analyses



# Profiling in xFitter

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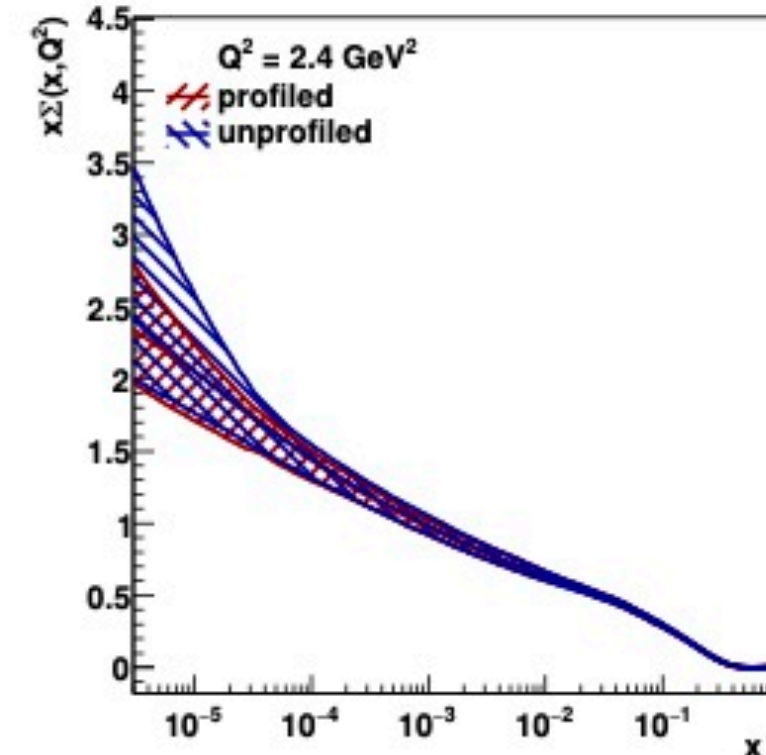
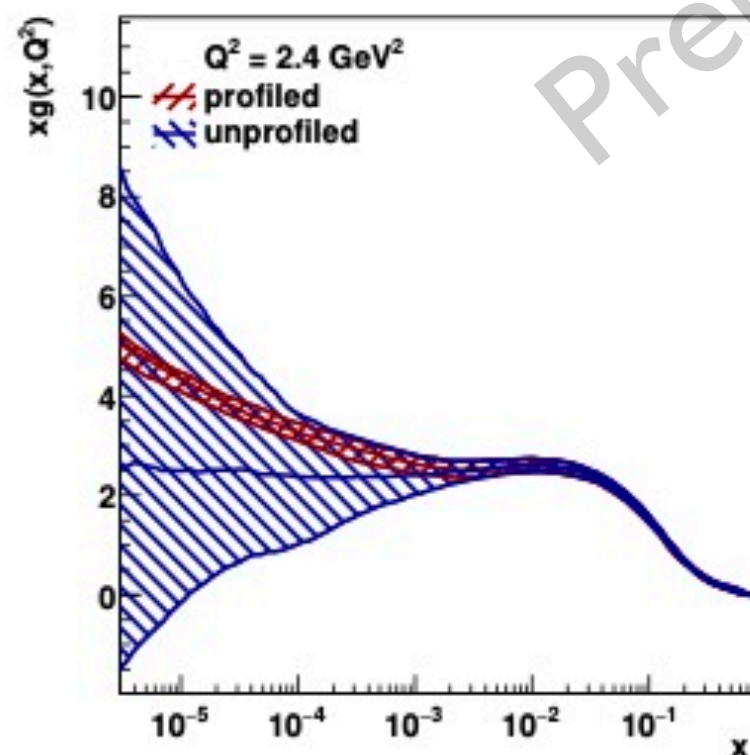
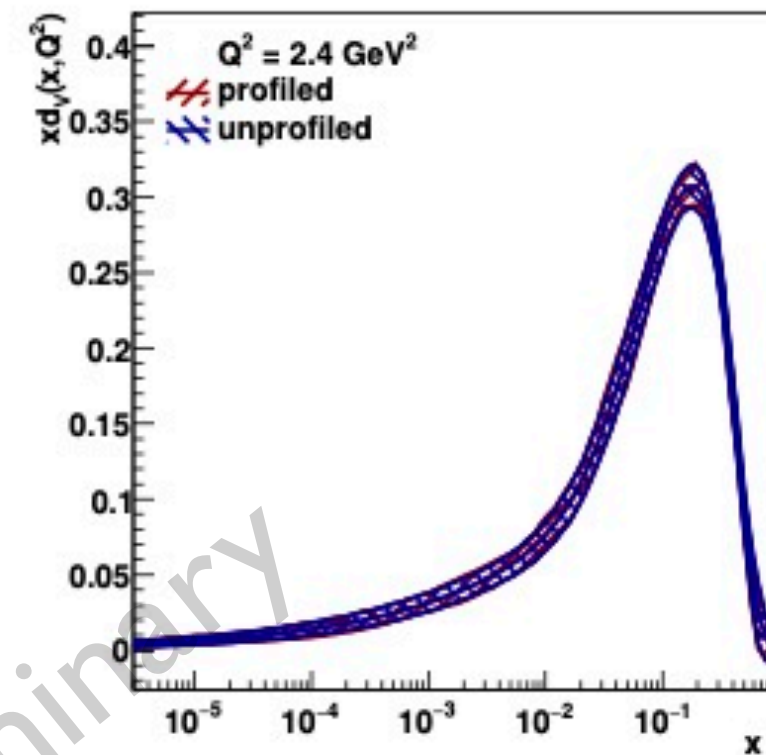
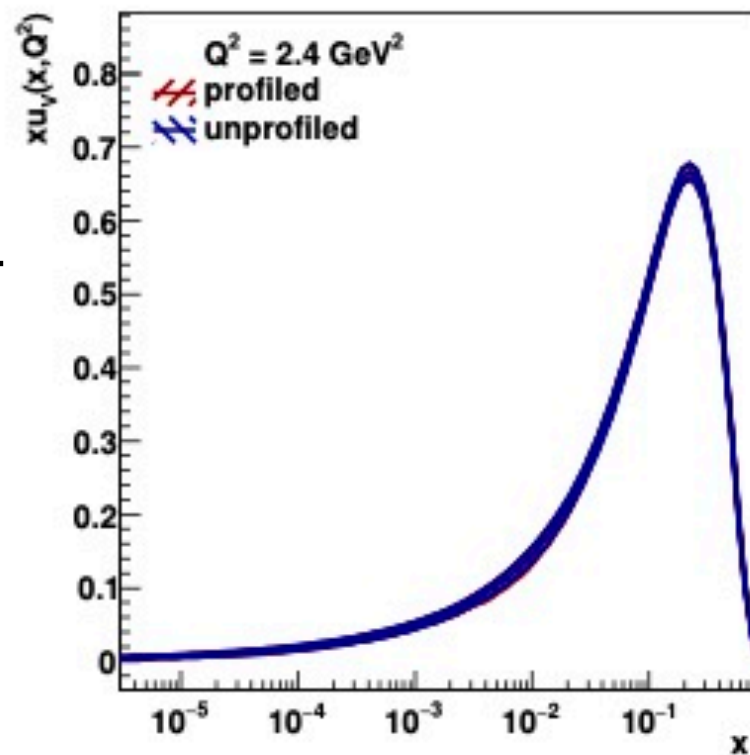
$N_{\text{rep}} = 1000$

profiled with  
LHCb 13 TeV excl. J/psi  
data [1806.04079](#)

$N_{\text{eff}} = 63 \ll N_{\text{rep}}$

Condition  $N_{\text{eff}} \ll N_{\text{rep}}$   
expected here

Precursor to full fit





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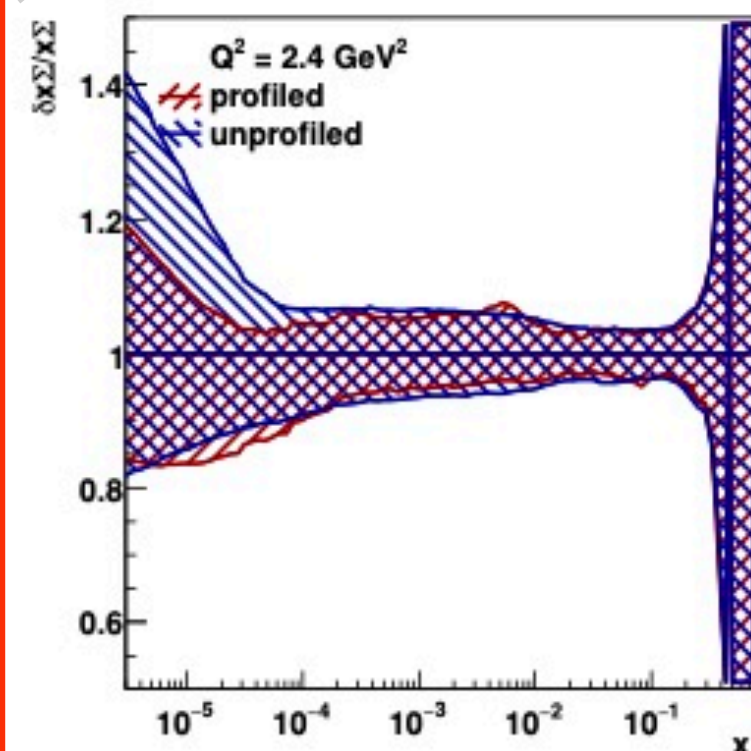
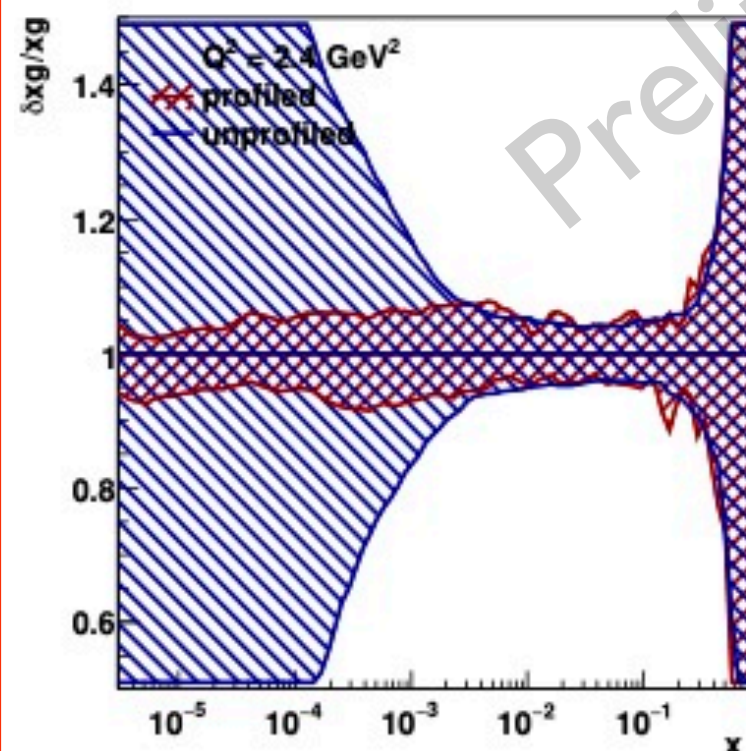
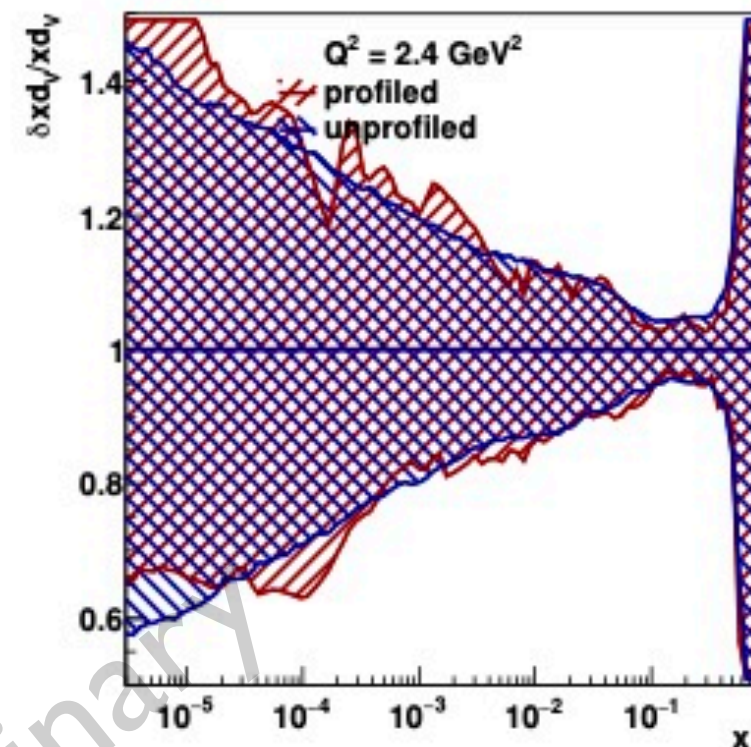
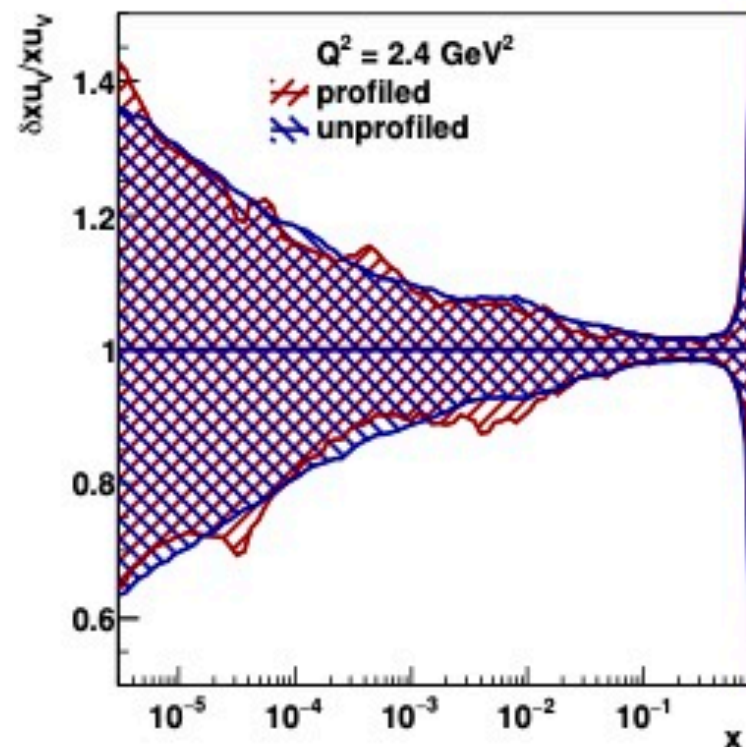
**NB:**

The condition  $N_{\text{eff}} \ll N_{\text{rep}}$  implies the data adds a lot of new information which can lead to overestimation of PDF errors in the Hessian profiling procedure.

→ interpretation of these results to be taken with care

Compare shape of the gluon PDF favored by the exclusive J/psi data to that from e.g. inclusive open charm production or eta\_c hadroproduction

Results support doing full fit in this framework (in progress)



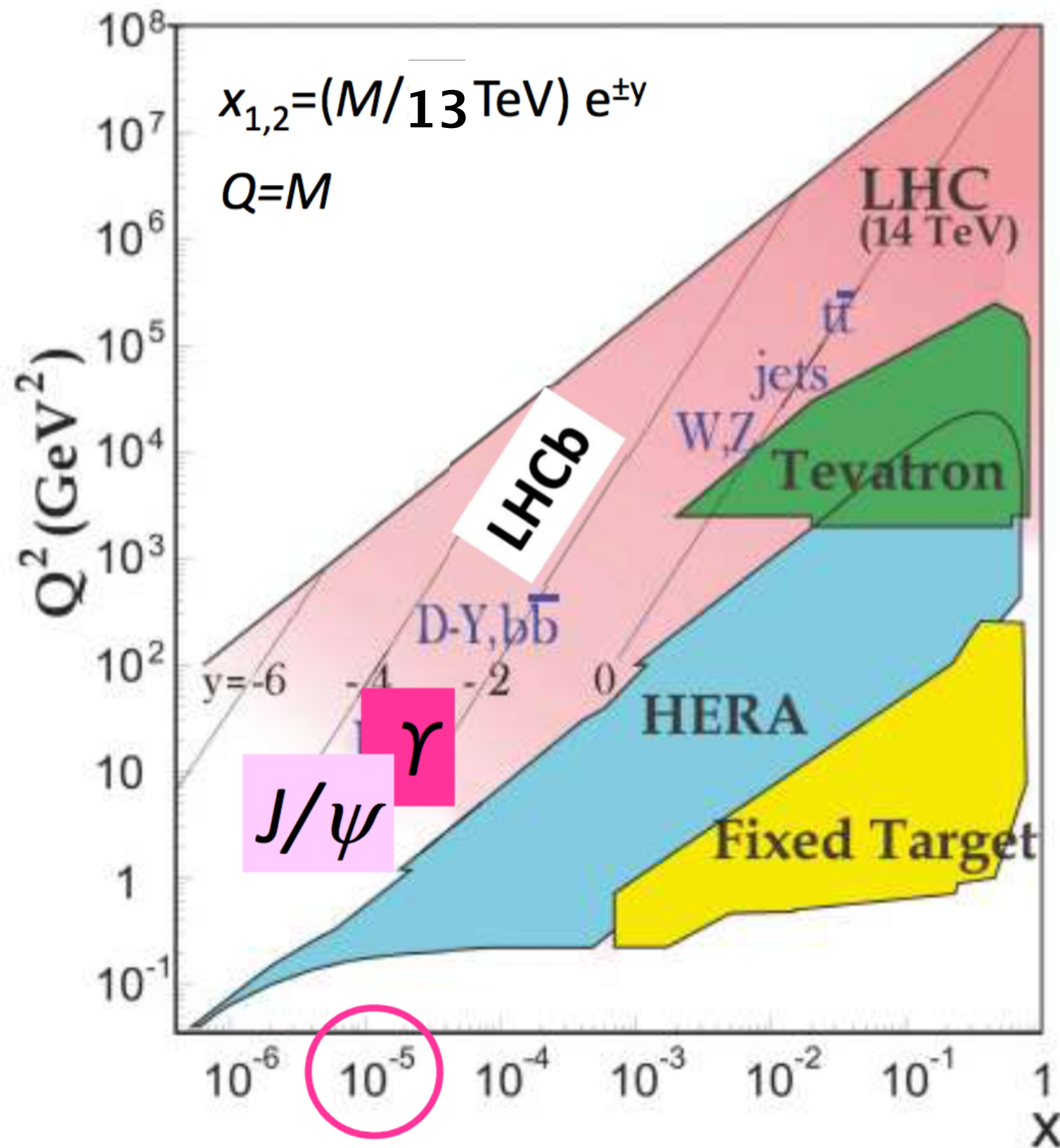
# Summary

- Bottlenecks of exclusive  $J/\psi$  photoproduction in global PDF analyses
  - Sensitivity to GPD rather than PDF
  - Conventional  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  NLO pQCD result exhibits large factorisation scale dep.
- Use Shuvaev's integral transform as reliable means at small  $x$  to relate PDF and GPD
- Systematic taming via implementation of low ' $Q_0$ ' subtraction and effective small- $x$  resummation of large logarithmic contributions collectively reduce wild scale variations at NLO
- Large difference between cross section predictions based on global PDFs in LHCb regime while compatible at HERA energies  $\rightarrow$  motivates extraction of low  $x$  and low scale gluon PDF. Profiling and fitting exercises performed with exclusive data.
- Upshot: In a position to finally use exclusive  $J/\psi$  data in a global fitter framework. Interfaced code to public PDF fitting tool xFitter. Profiling and fitting exercises in progress...

**Thank you**



# Kinematic coverage



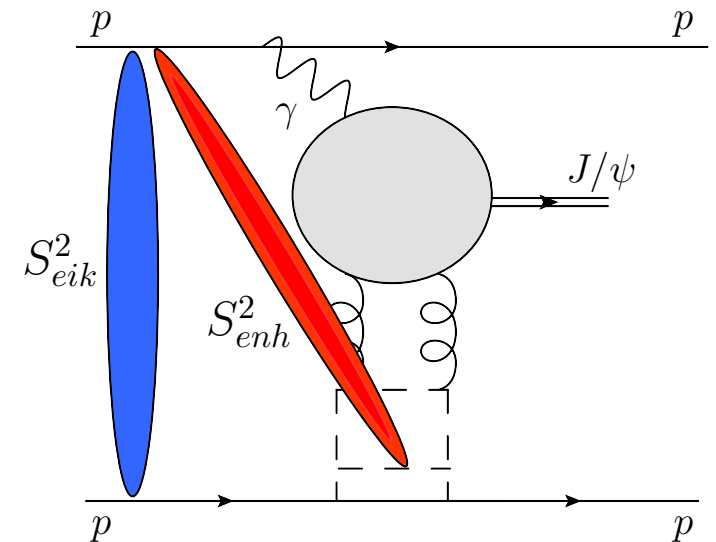
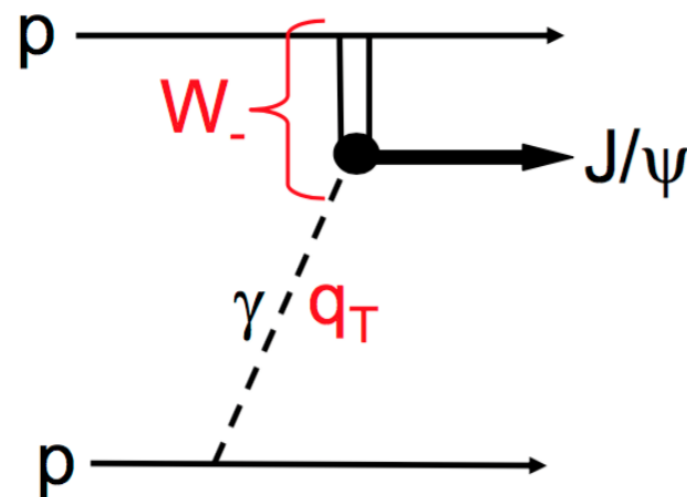
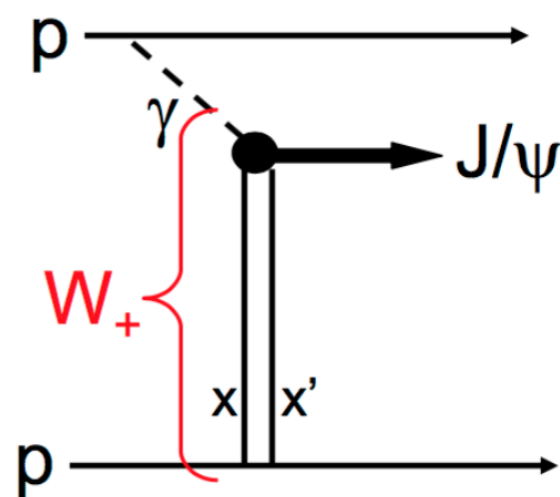
LHCb with  $2 < y < 4.5$   
can probe gluon  
down to  $x \sim 10^{-5}$

exclusive  $J/\psi$ ,  $Y$   
[ $Q = M_V/2$  (scale)]

Why are these  
LHCb data not used  
in global PDF fits ??



# General Set up and assumptions



LHCb data

$$\frac{d\sigma(pp)}{dy} = S^2(W_+) \left( k_+ \frac{dn}{dk_+} \right) \sigma_+(\gamma p) + S^2(W_-) \left( k_- \frac{dn}{dk_-} \right) \sigma_-(\gamma p)$$

survival probability  
factors

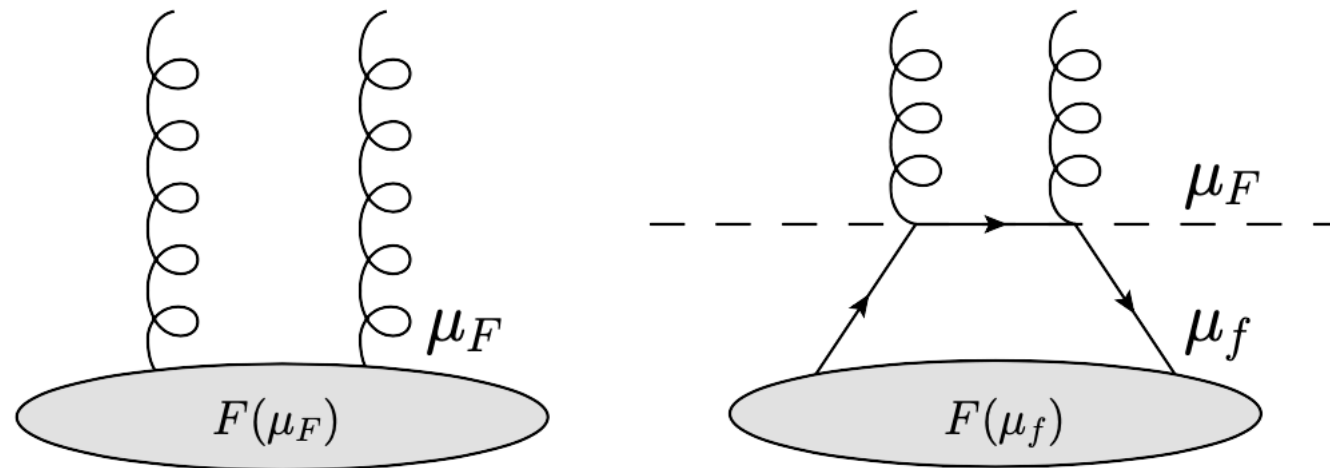
LHCb 'data'

photon flux

HERA gives  $W_-$

$$W_{\pm}^2 = M_{J/\psi} \sqrt{s} e^{\pm|y|} \Rightarrow x_{\pm} = \begin{cases} 10^{-5} \\ 0.02 \end{cases} \quad \text{at } y = 4, \sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$$

# Treatment of double logarithmic contribution



**Ideology:** Use scale shifting to find optimal scale that removes the largest contribution from the NLO correction \*

At fact. scale.  $\mu_f$ , quark contribution is part of NLO hard matrix element

At fact. scale  $\mu_F$ , absorbed quark contribution into LO result

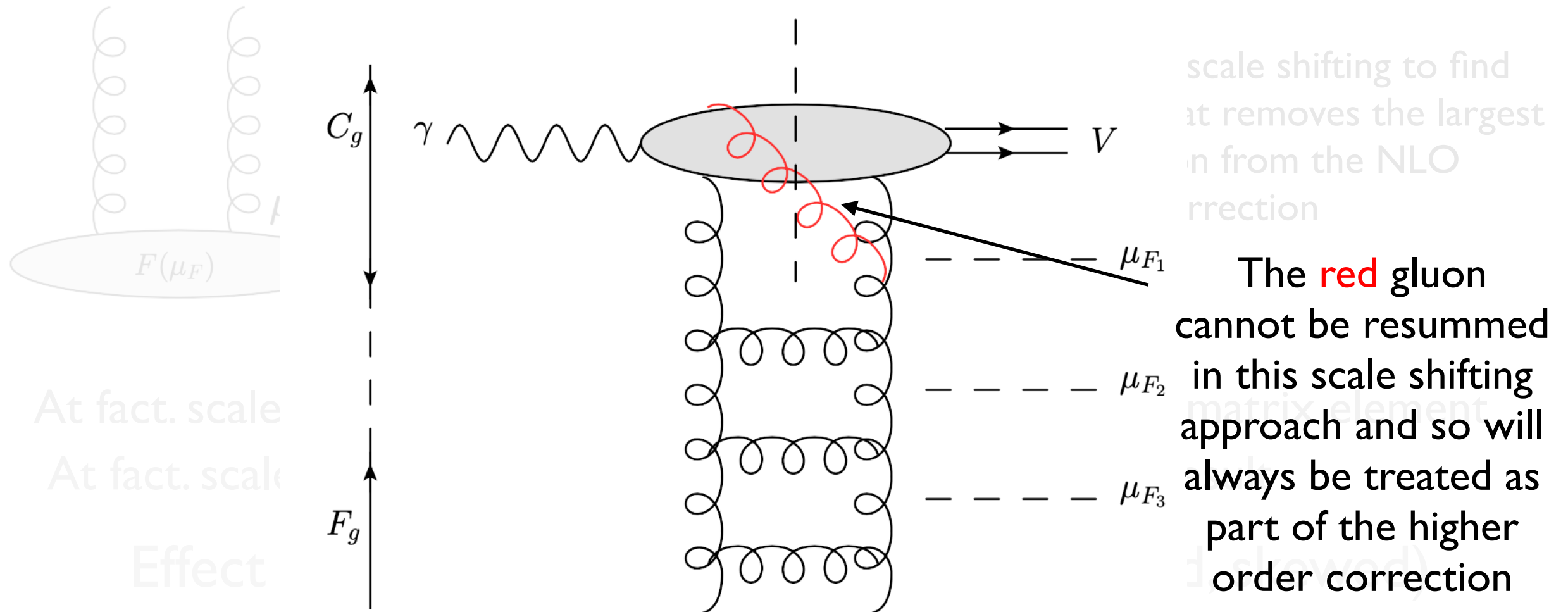
Effect of scale change driven by (generalised, skewed)  
DGLAP evolution:

$$A^{(0)}(\mu_f) = \left( C^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \ln \left( \frac{\mu_f^2}{\mu_F^2} \right) C^{(0)} \otimes V \right) \otimes F(\mu_F)$$

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\* At small  $x_i$ , this is the double logarithmic contribution  $\sim \ln(1/x_i) \ln(\mu_F^2/mc^2)$

# Treatment of double logarithmic contribution



Choice  $\mu_F = m_c$  'resums' the gluon ladder contributions, enhanced by this double logarithmic contribution. They are intrinsically resummed within the kt factorisation framework\* and here by judicious choice of factorisation scale

\* But kt fact. framework treats only a subset of NLO corrections, those belonging to equivalence class of gluon-ladder diagrams

# Shuvaev Transform cont.

The conformal moments  $H_i^N$  of the GPDs are given by

$$H_i^N \equiv \int_{-1}^1 dx R_{N,i}(x_1, x_2) H_i(x, \xi), \quad i = q, g, \quad \text{Ohrndorf, 82}$$

The conformal moments are polynomials in even powers of  $\xi$ ,

$$H_i^N = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor (N+1)/2 \rfloor} c_{k,i}^N \xi^{2k} = c_{0,i}^N + c_{1,i}^N \xi^2 + c_{2,i}^N \xi^4 + \dots, \quad , \quad c_{0,i}^N = f_i^N$$

Leading term is Mellin moment of PDF

- Provided inverse exists then can relate GPDs to PDFs with suppression of order  $\xi$  (i.e. good low  $x$  approx )

# Shuvaev Transform cont.

Widely debated, certain conditions needing upheld, e.g lack of singularities in  
Re  $N > 1$  plane e.g Diehl, Kugler, 08

Regge theory considerations => condition met Martin, Nockles, Ryskin, Teubner, 09

- Can check in physically motivated ansatz, e.g MSTW2008 global partons input parametrisation

$$xg(x, Q_0^2) = A_g x^{\delta_g} (1-x)^{\eta_g} (1 + \epsilon_g \sqrt{x} + \gamma_g x) + A_{g'} x^{\delta_{g'}} (1-x)^{\eta_{g'}}.$$

Martin,  
Stirling, Thorne,  
Watt, 09

Expand about  $x \sim 0$

$$xg(x, Q_0^2) = A_g x^{\delta_g} + A_{g'} x^{\delta_{g'}} + \dots,$$

Mellin transform:

$$\begin{aligned} xg^N(Q_0^2) &= \int_0^1 dx x^{N-1} (A_g x^{\delta_g} + A_{g'} x^{\delta_{g'}}) + \dots \\ &= \frac{A_g}{N + \delta_g} + \frac{A_{g'}}{N + \delta_{g'}} + \dots, \end{aligned}$$

Fits to data (including 1sig. errors) suggest  $\delta_g > -1$  and  $\delta_{g'} > -1$

- Shuvaev transform describes HVM and GDVCS data well

Kumericki, Muller, 10

# Stability of prediction II

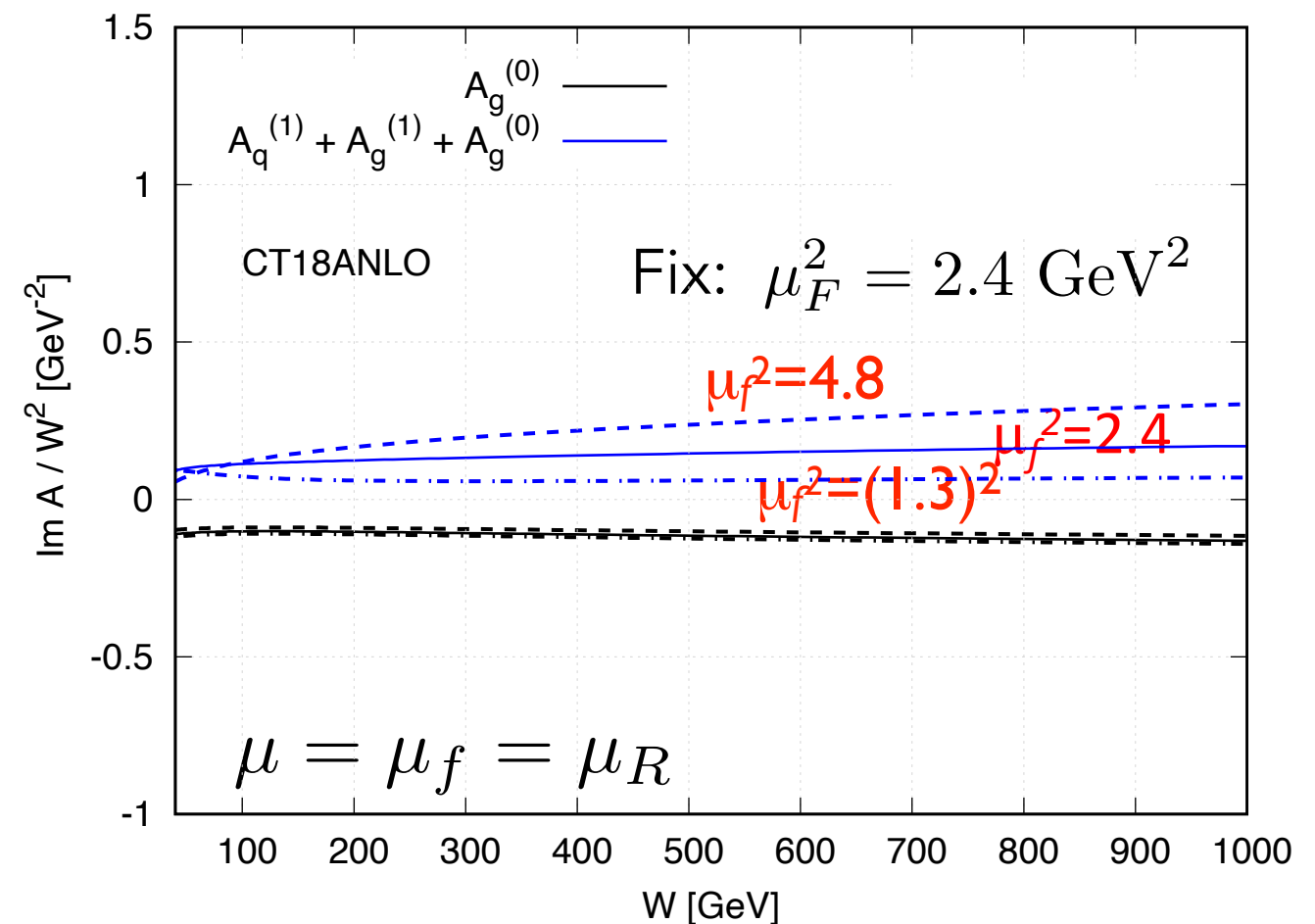
## 'Scale Fixing'

'Optimal' factorisation scale  $\mu_F = m$   
eliminates large logs at NLO

Jones et al., 1507.06942

Resummation of  $(\alpha_s \ln(1/\xi) \ln(\mu_F/m))^n$

terms into LO PDF, leaving remnant  
NLO coefficient  
and residual,  $\mu_f$ , scale dependence

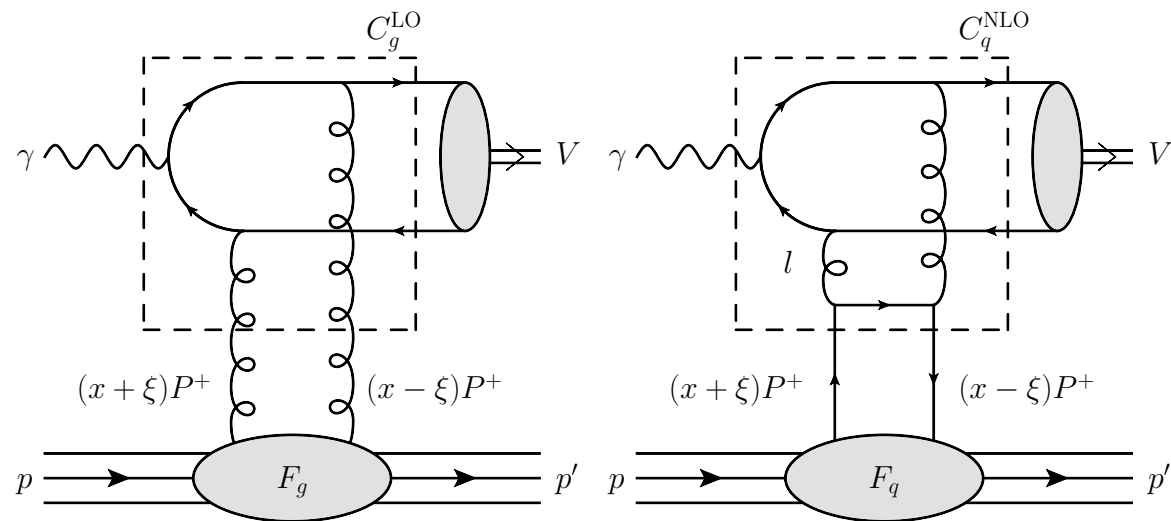


$$A(\mu_f) = C^{\text{LO}} \times \text{GPD}(\mu_F) + C^{\text{NLO}}(\mu_F) \times \text{GPD}(\mu_f)$$

Look for another sizeable correction that can reduce variations further  
-> implementation of a '**Q0**' cut

# Stability of prediction III

'Q0' cut Jones et al., 1610.02272



Fundamentally ubiquitous\* and typically power suppressed, but sizeable here

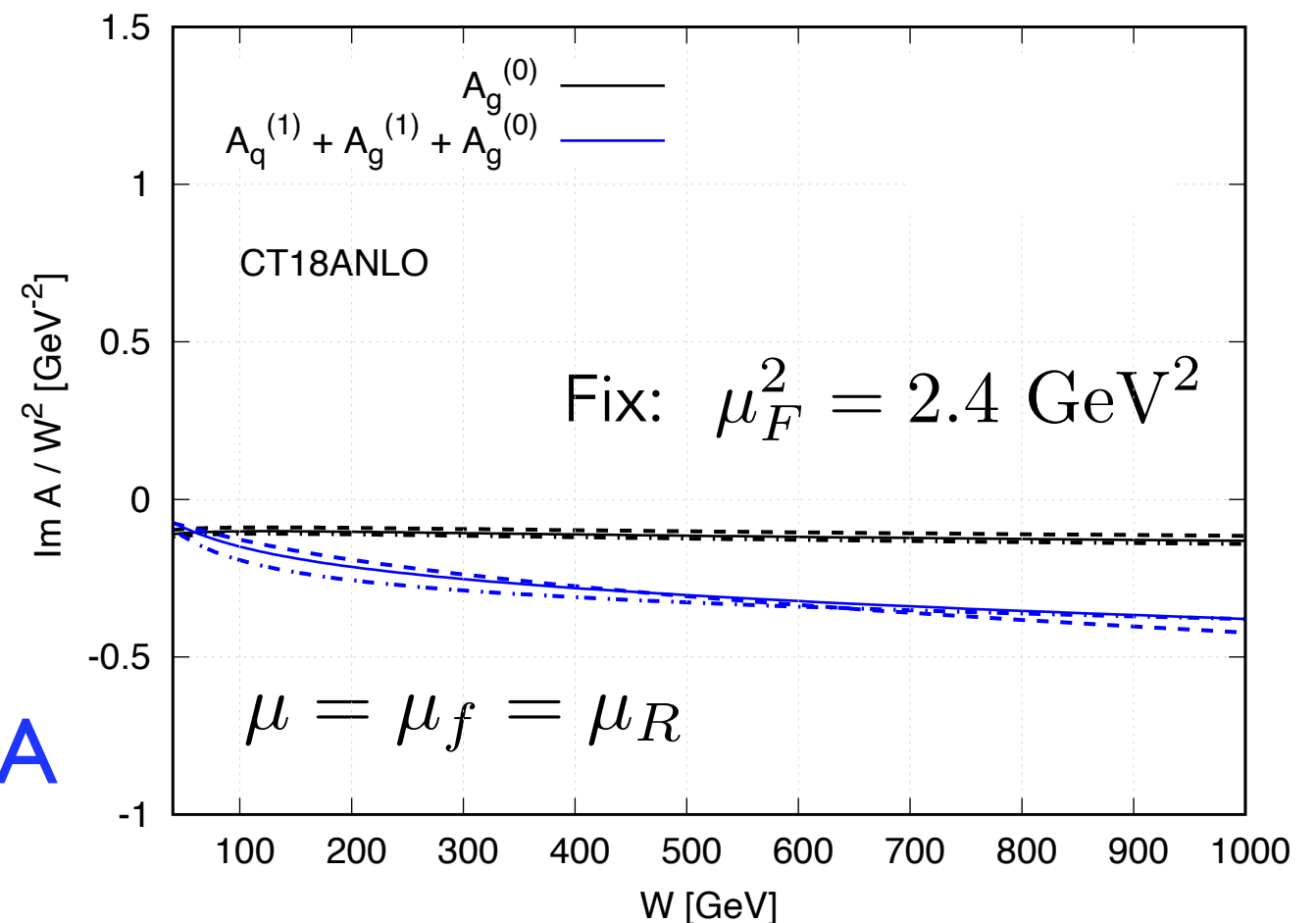
$$\mathcal{O}(Q_0^2/\mu_F^2)$$

How do these predictions compare with the data at HERA and LHCb?

Subtract DGLAP contribution

NLO ( $|\ell^2| < Q_0^2$ )

from known NLO MSbar coefficient function to avoid a double count with input GPD at  $Q_0$ .

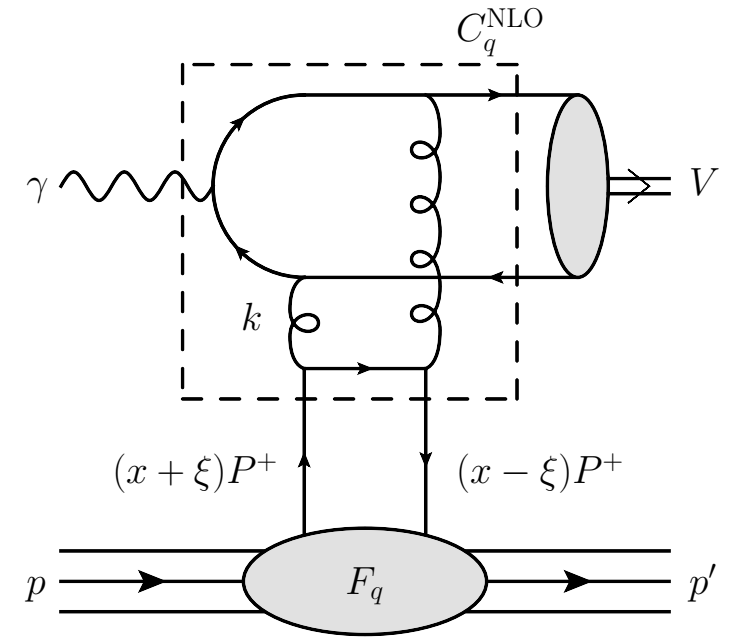
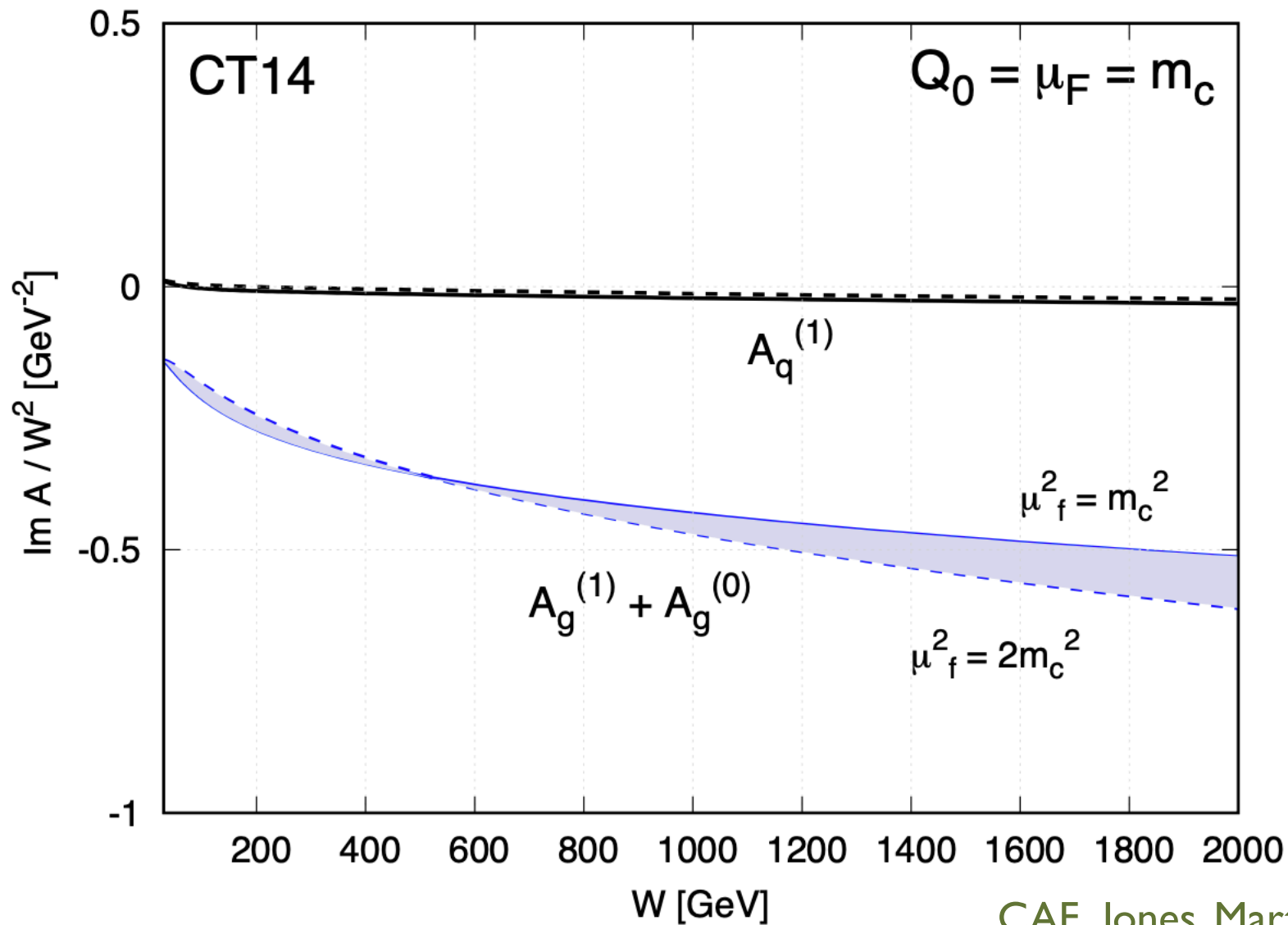


\*see 1912.09304 for procedure applied to inclusive DIS and Drell-Yan production



# Interplay of quark and gluons at NLO

After  $Q_0$  subtraction:



CAF, Jones, Martin, Ryskin, Teubner, 1908.08398

Quark contribution separated from hard scattering by at least *one* step of DGLAP evolution and is therefore removed after imposition of  $Q_0$  subtraction (as reflected in the numerics)

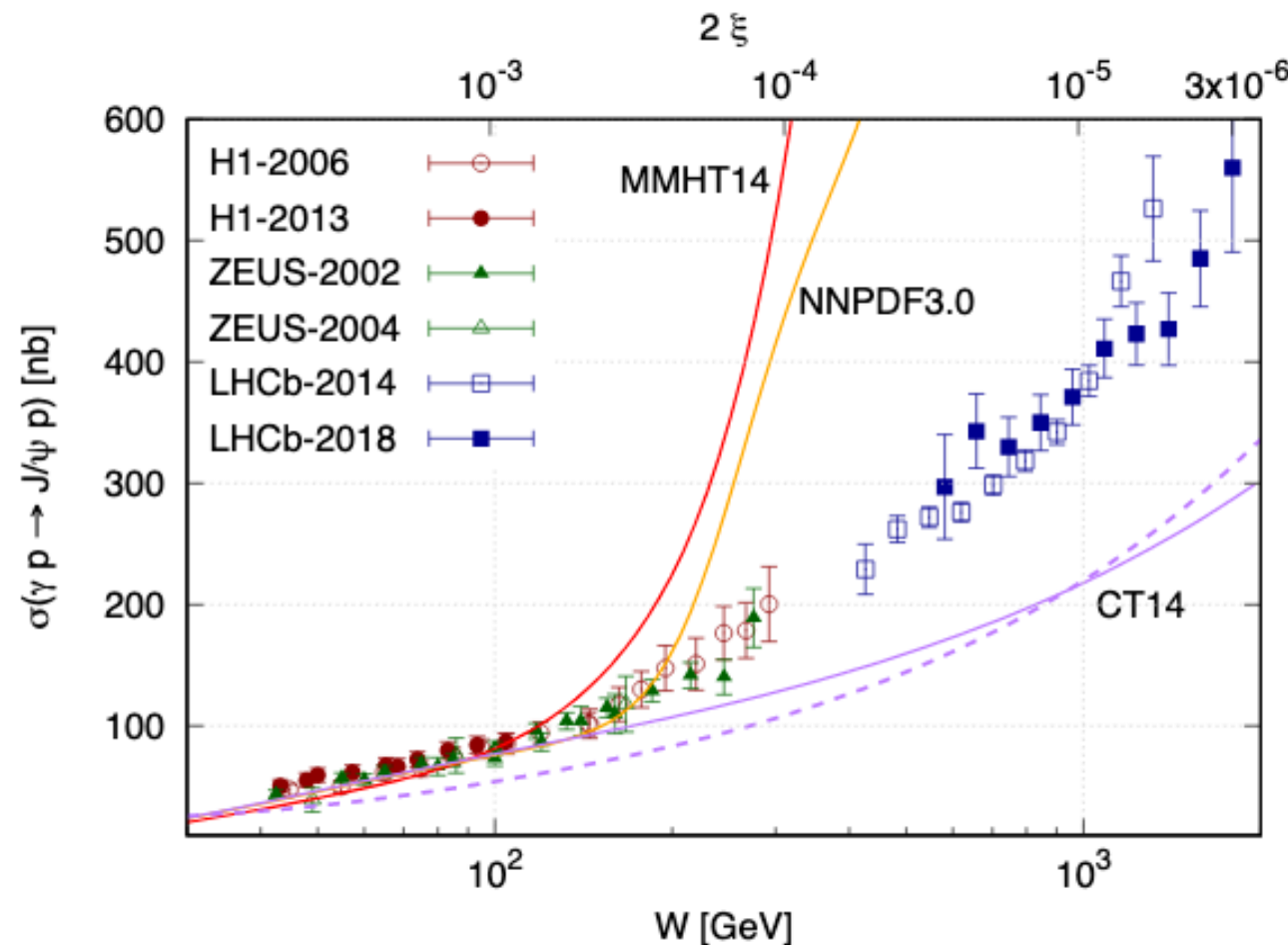
→ Gluon GPD driven like at LO



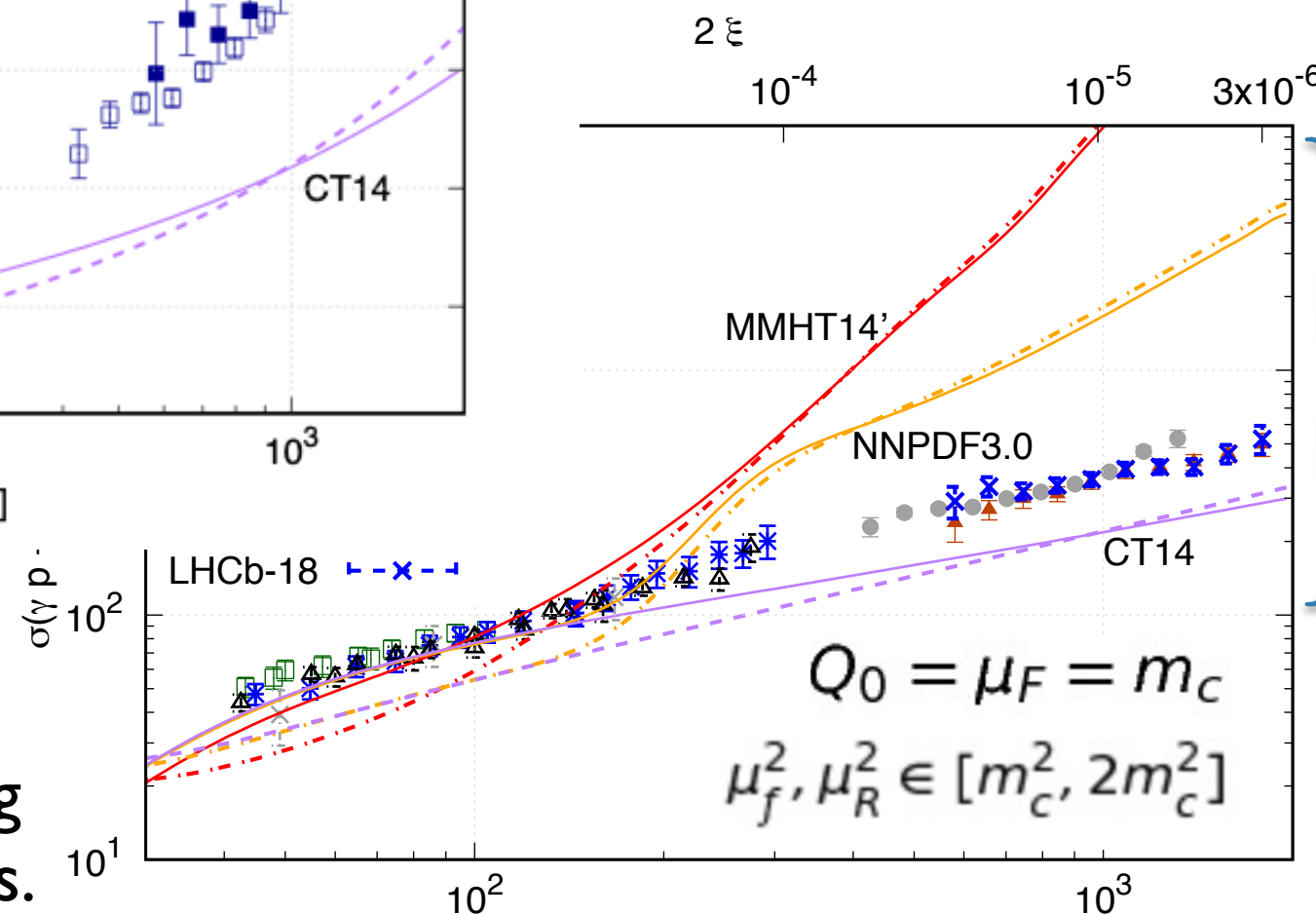
# Towards the bigger picture

Plots demonstrates good scale stability of our NLO predictions in LHCb regime

Predictions at optimal scale (solid) agree better with HERA data



CAF, Jones, Martin, Ryskin, Teubner,  
1907.06471 & 1908.08398



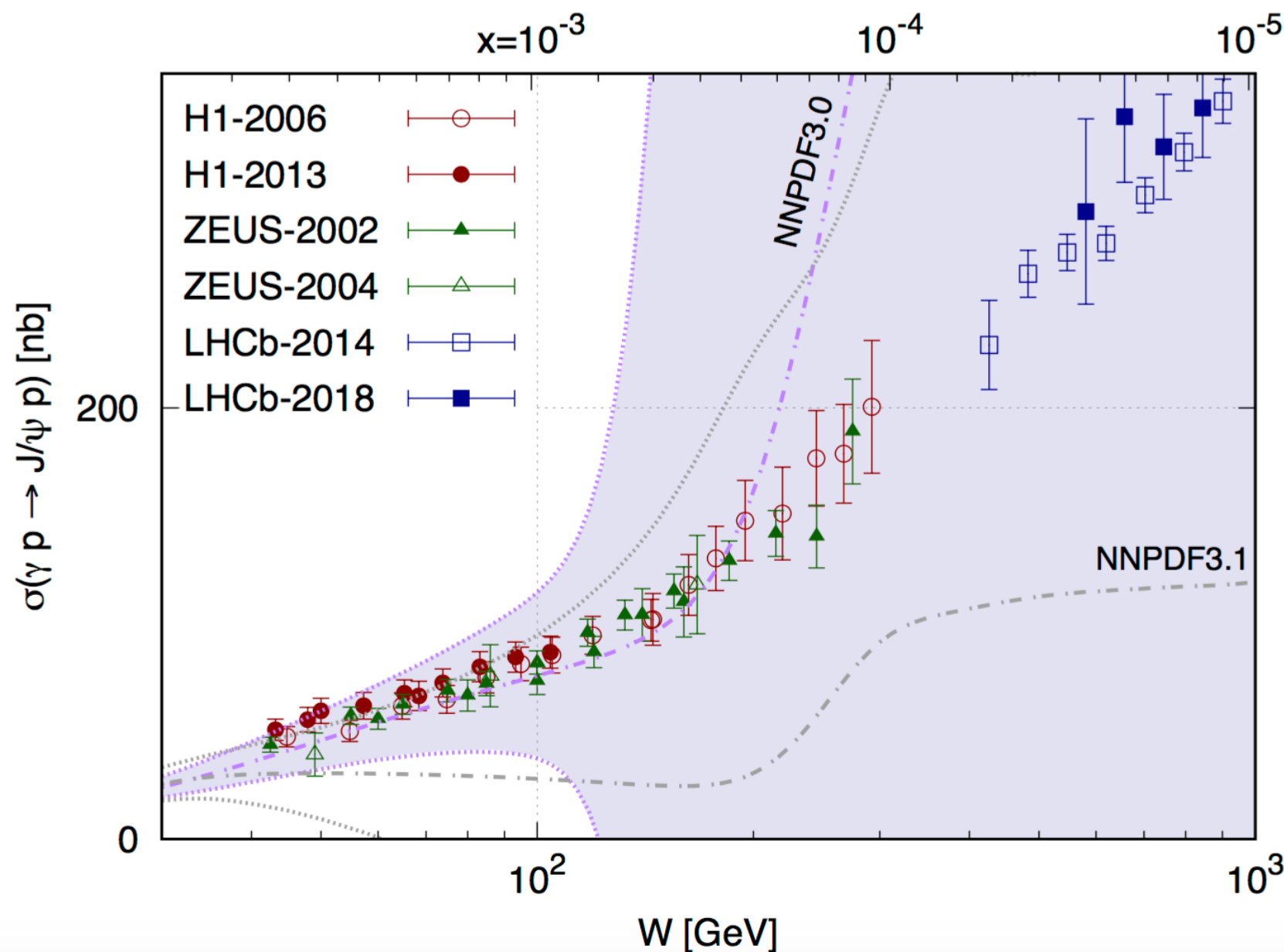
Diversity  
between  
predictions  
based on  
current global  
PDFs in  
unconstrained  
phase space  
-> important  
message

**Repeat NB:** Convoluting  
with existing global partons.  
Here, MMHT14, NNPDF3.0 &  
CT14

$$\frac{\text{Re}\mathcal{M}}{\text{Im}\mathcal{M}} \sim \frac{\pi}{2}\lambda = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\partial \ln \text{Im}\mathcal{M}/W^2}{\partial \ln W^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathcal{M} \sim x^{-\lambda}$$

Error budgets: errors due to parameter variations in global fits  $\gg$  experimental uncertainty and scale variations in the theoretical result

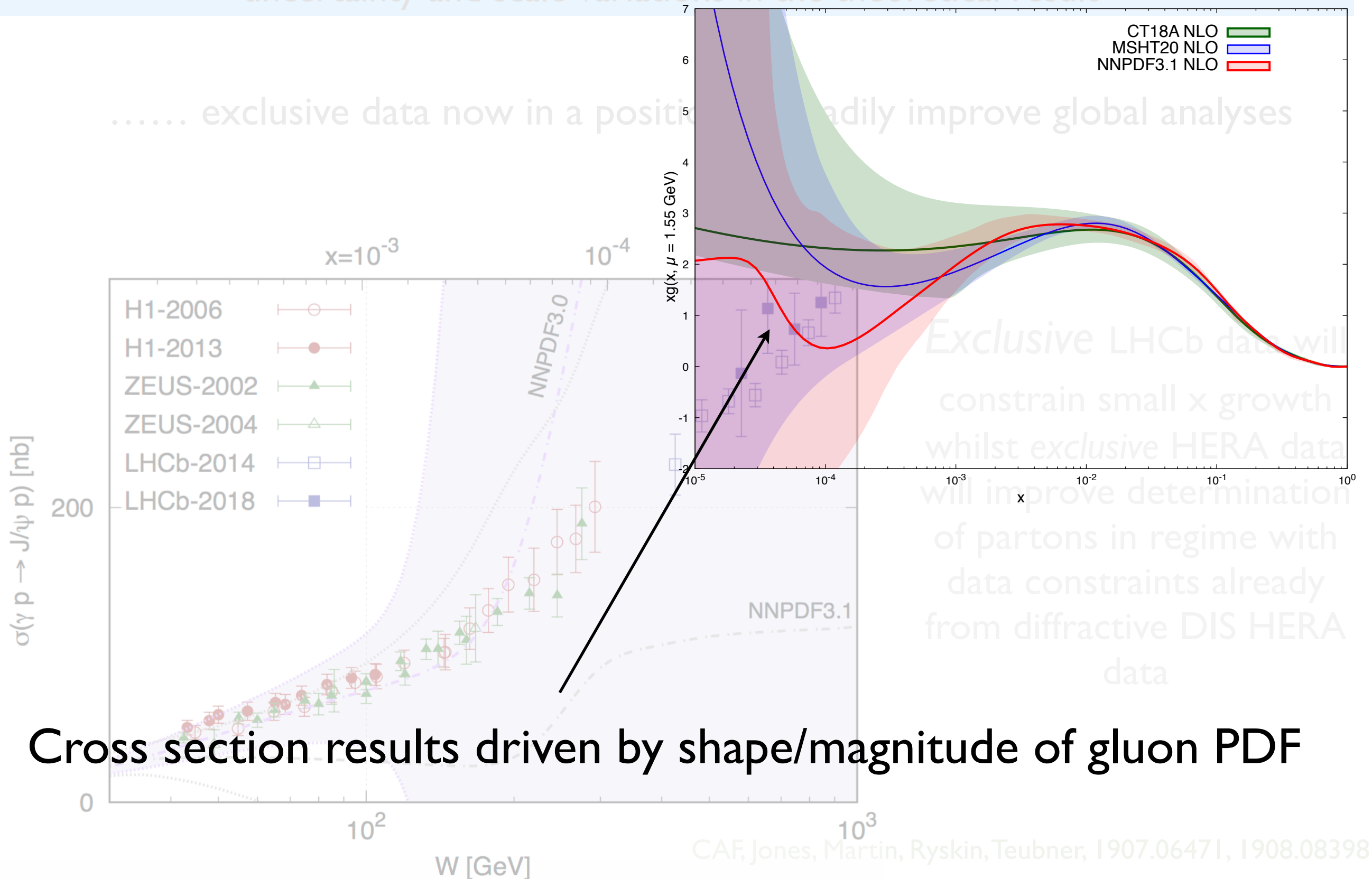
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*Exclusive* LHCb data will constrain small  $x$  growth whilst *exclusive* HERA data will improve determination of partons in regime with data constraints already from diffractive DIS HERA data

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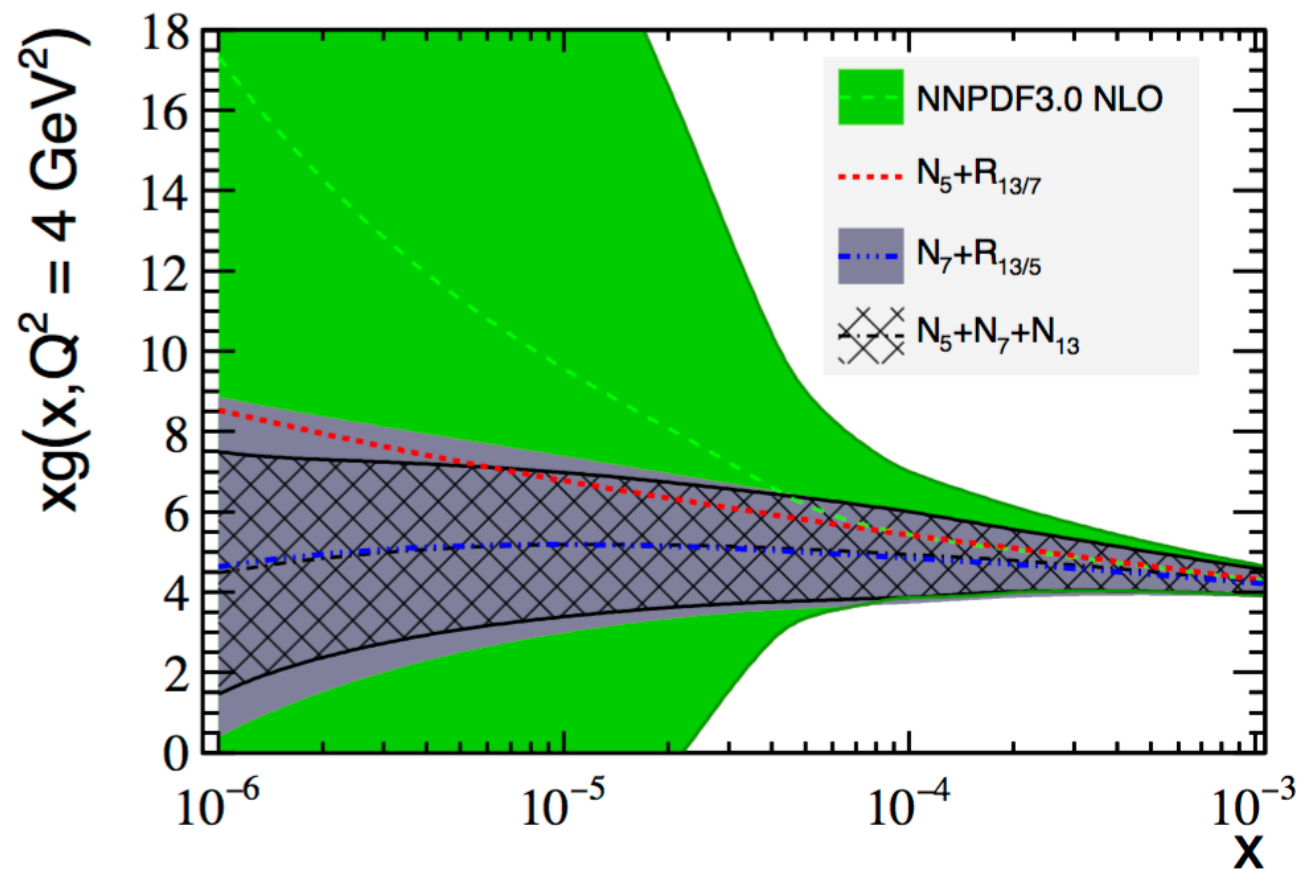
# Constraints from inclusive D meson production data

**Idea:** Construct ratios of observables in  $y$  and  $p_T$  bins to combat various uncertainties

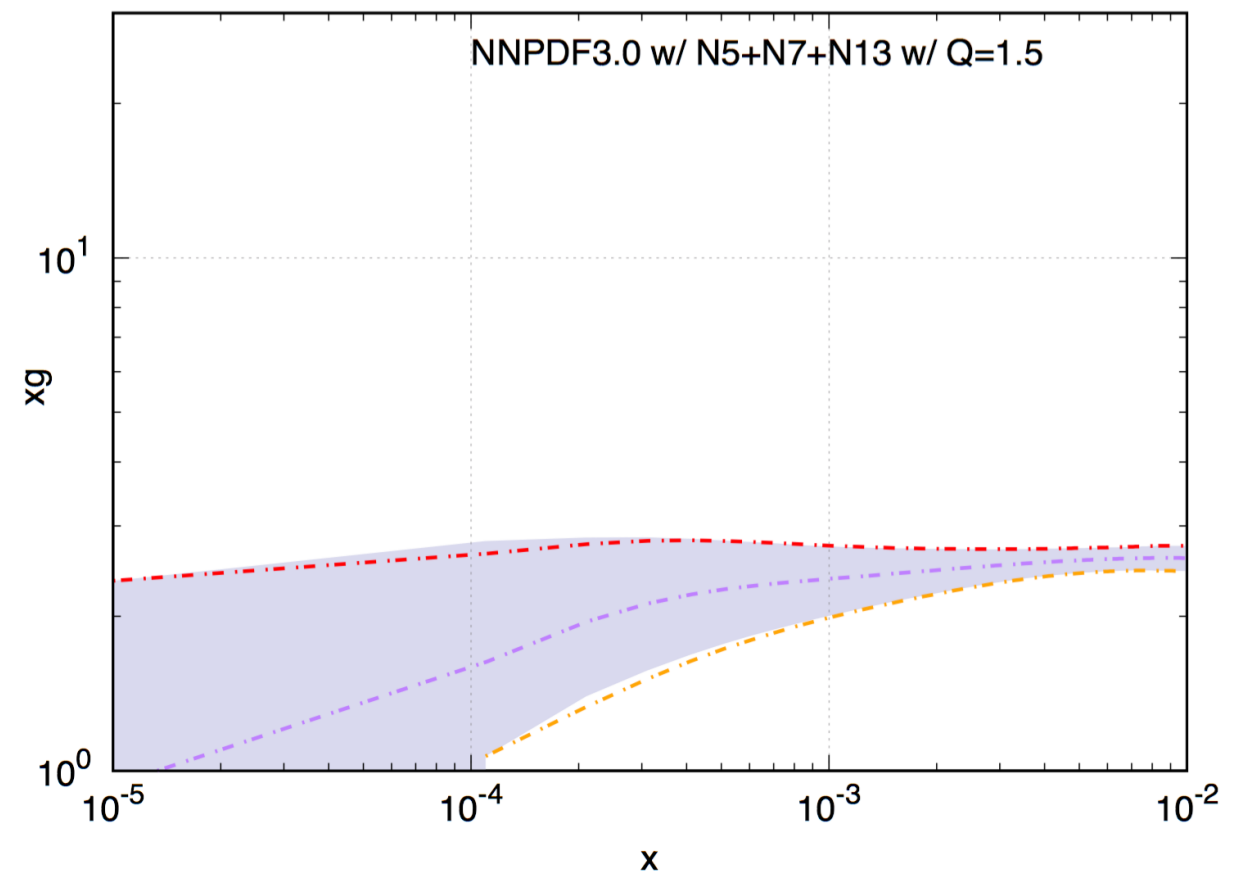
$$N_X^{ij} = \frac{d^2\sigma(X \text{ TeV})}{dy_i^D d(p_T^D)_j} \bigg/ \frac{d^2\sigma(X \text{ TeV})}{dy_{\text{ref}}^D d(p_T^D)_j}$$

$$R_{13/X}^{ij} = \frac{d^2\sigma(13 \text{ TeV})}{dy_i^D d(p_T^D)_j} \bigg/ \frac{d^2\sigma(X \text{ TeV})}{dy_i^D d(p_T^D)_j}$$

→ find decreasing gluon at the lowest  $x$  they may probe



Plot from 1610.09373



# Tension with the J/psi data

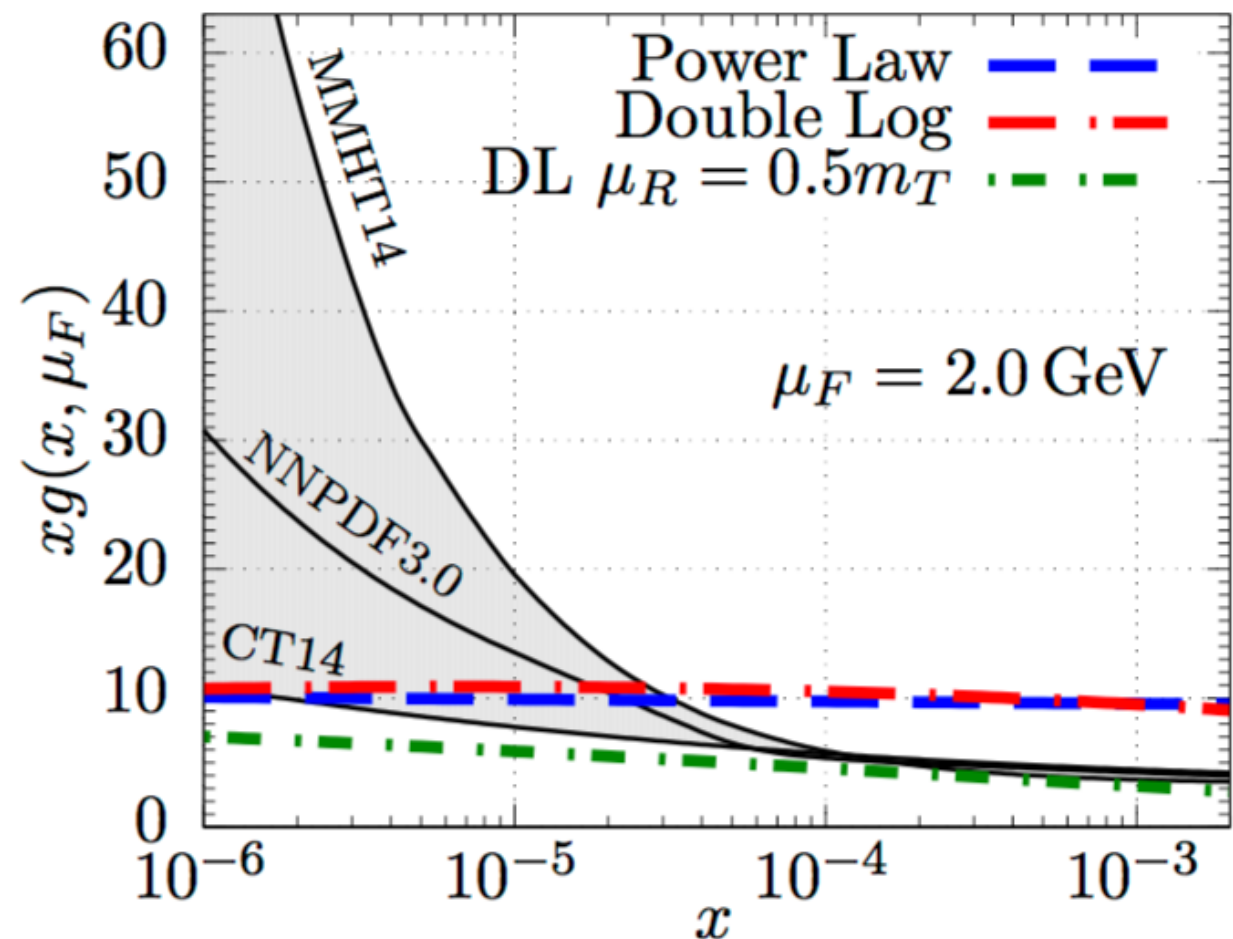
We need a much harder gluon at low  $x$  to describe the exclusive J/psi LHCb data.

## What's the reconciliation?

Indications of **inconsistencies** in the inclusive D experimental measurement (see next slide)

$$xg(x) = N \left( \frac{x}{x_0} \right)^{-\lambda}$$

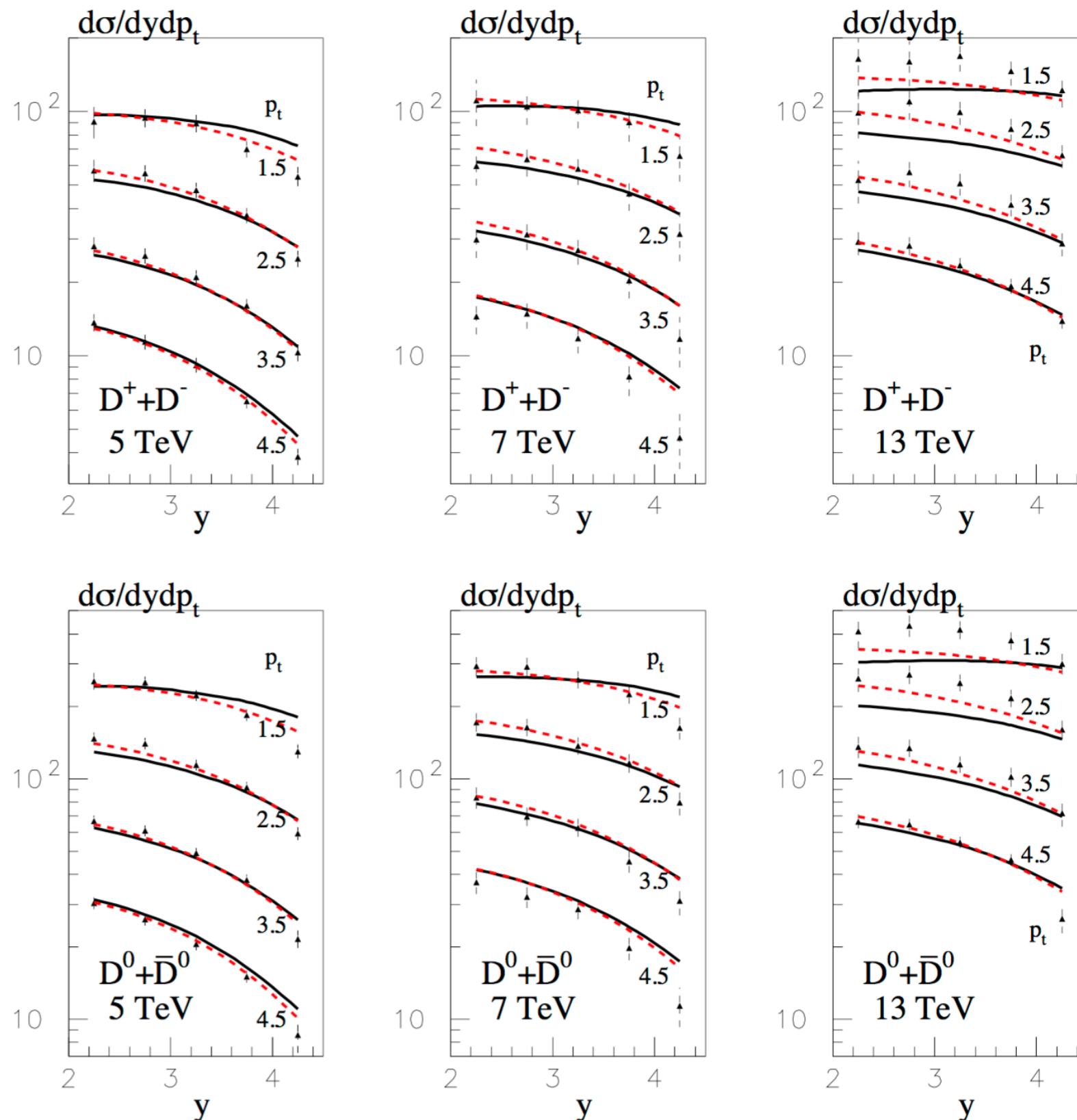
$$xg(x, \mu^2) = N^{\text{DL}} \left( \frac{x}{x_0} \right)^{-a} \left( \frac{\mu^2}{Q_0^2} \right)^b \exp \left[ \sqrt{16(N_c/\beta_0) \ln(1/x) \ln(G)} \right]$$



Plot from 1712.06834



# Rapidity and energy dependence of open charm cross section



Plot from I712.06834

- Need *slower* increasing gluon with decreasing  $x$  to describe rapidity dependence
- Need *faster* increasing gluon with decreasing  $x$  to describe energy dependence

$$y \sim \ln(1/x) !!$$

dash

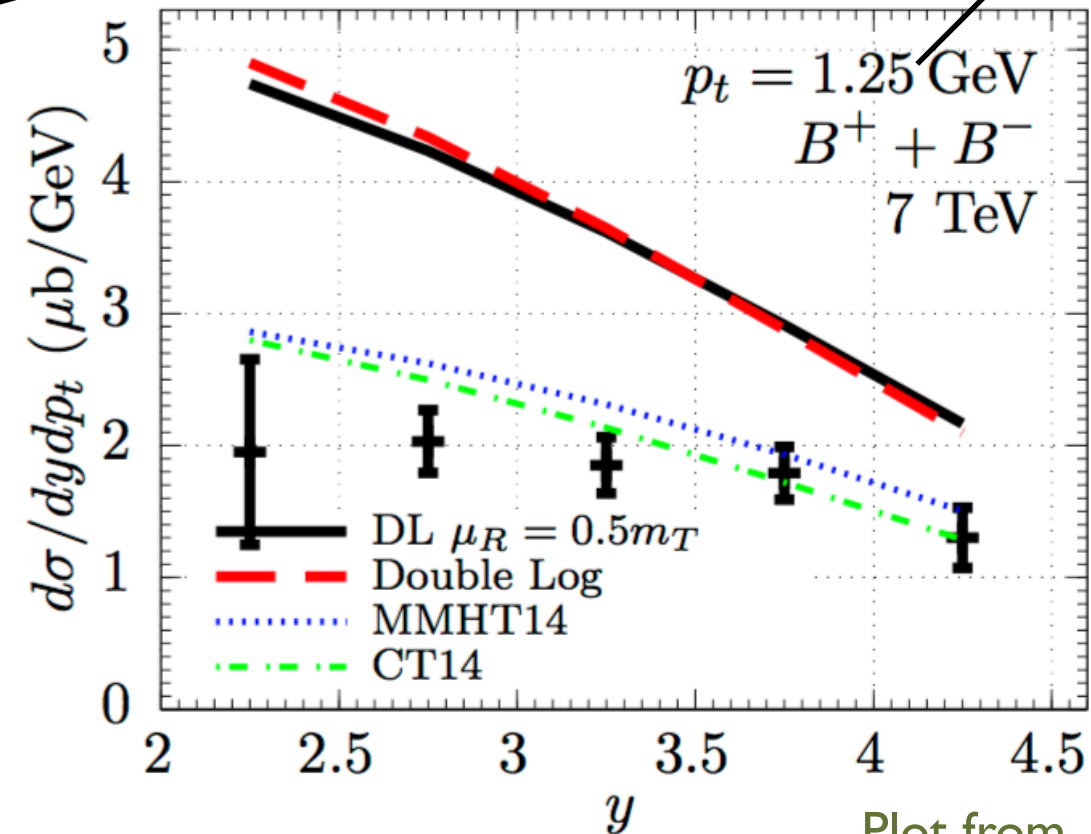
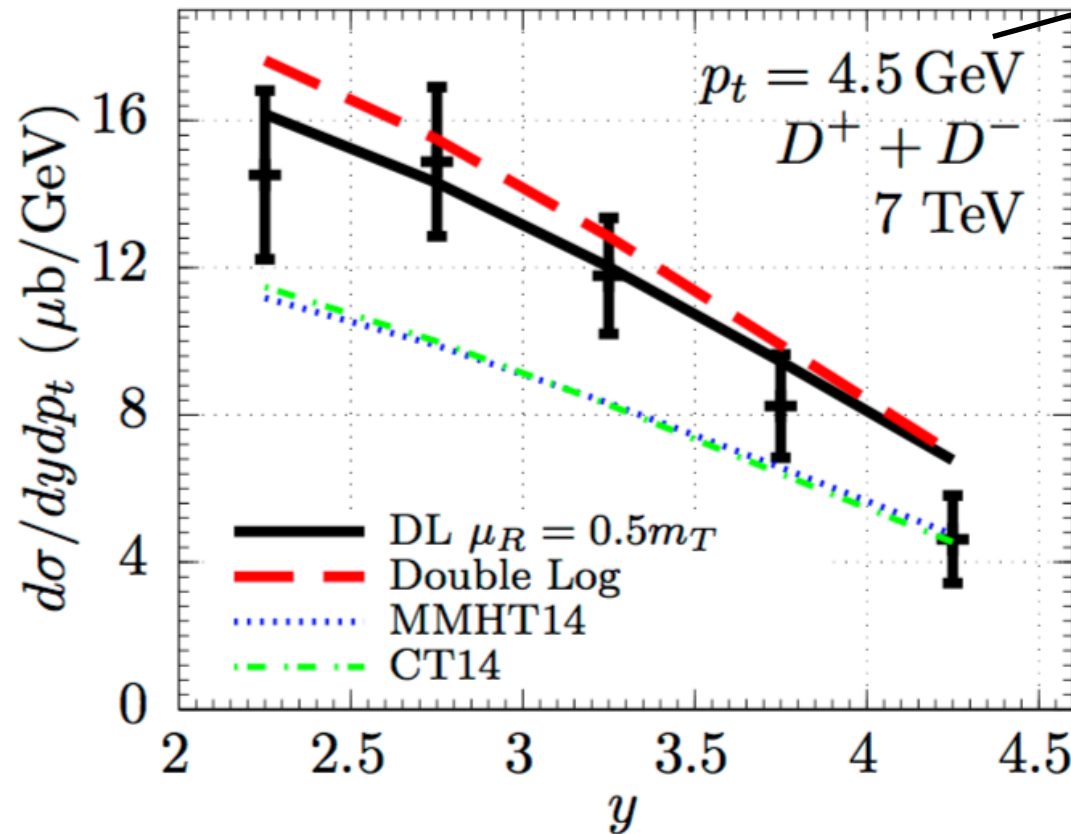
$Q_0 = 1$  GeV and  $\mu_F = \mu_R = 0.85m_T$

solid

$\mu_f = \mu_R = 0.5m_T$  and  $Q_0 = 0.5$  GeV

# Open beauty results

B sector has something to say...



$p_t$  chosen to sample gluon  
at same factorisation scale  
and  $x$

Plot from 1712.06834

Gluon found through fit to D meson data fails to describe  
the B meson distribution

**Should we really trust the decreasing nature of the low -scale  
and -x gluon PDF obtained via fit to LHCb open charm data?**

# Extraction of low x gluon PDF via exclusive J/psi

Left

Reweighted gluon PDF extractions  
via exclusive J/psi data and  
inclusive D meson production  
differ:

- Experimental inconsistencies in measurement of inclusive D meson production (?) (rapidity detection efficiency and self inconsistency with inclusive B meson detection),

Oliveira, Martin, Ryskin, 1712.06834

- etac hadroproduction (conventional inclusive mode) favours harder gluon than that obtained from inclusive D meson production,

Lansberg, Ozcelik, 2012.00702

gluon PDF ansatz to the data

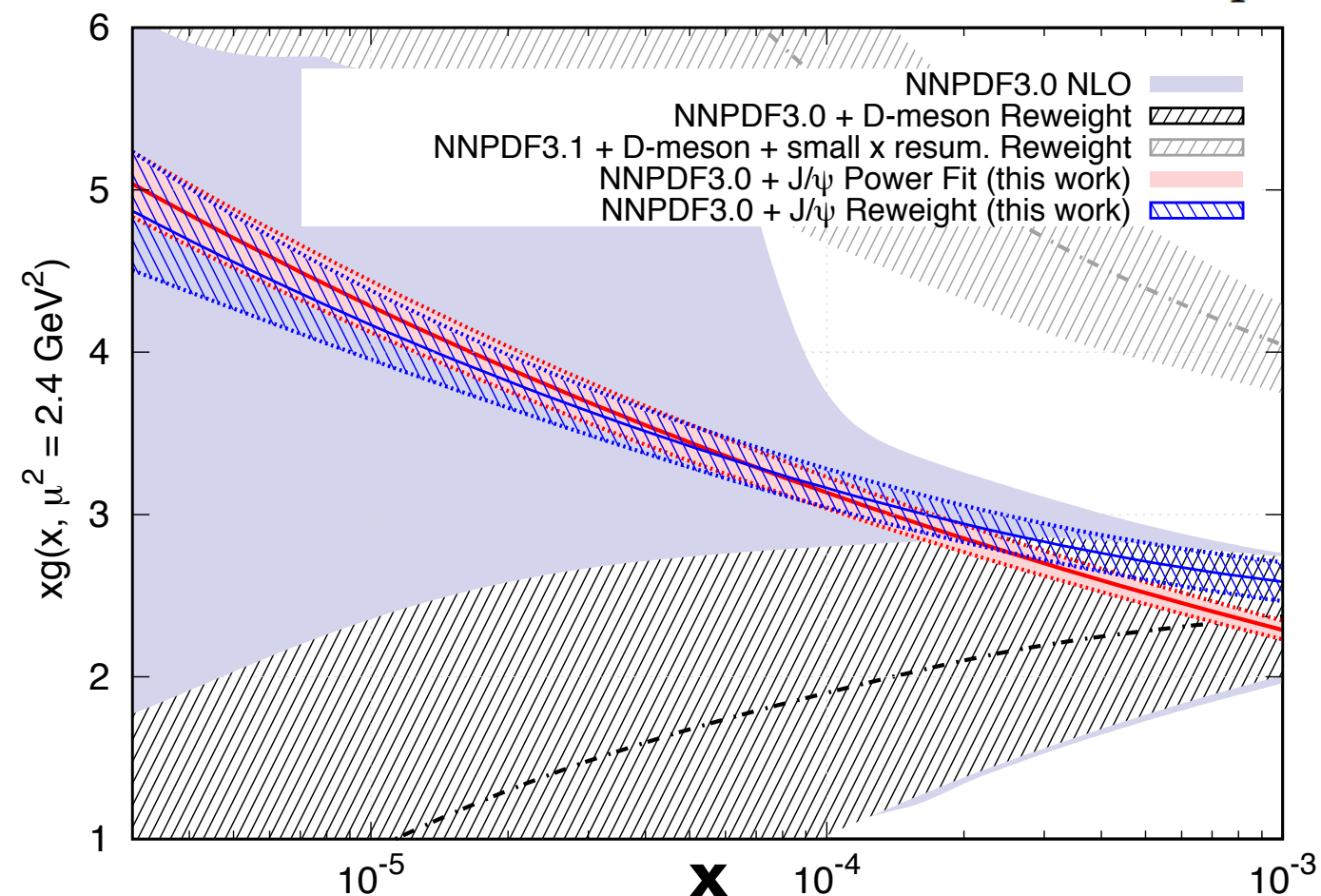
reweight current global PDF analyses

$$g_0(x) = nN_0 (1-x) x^{-\lambda}$$

$$\lambda = 0.136 \pm 0.006$$

$$n = 0.966 \pm 0.025$$

$$N_{\text{eff}} \ll N_{\text{rep}}$$





# General Set up and Framework

$c\bar{c} \rightarrow J/\psi$ :

- Effective field theory for production of heavy quarkonium [ Bodwin et al. 1995 ]

$$\sigma_V = \sigma_{q\bar{q}} \cdot \langle O \rangle_V$$

- Relativistic corrections systematically computed by expanding matrix elements in powers of  $v$ :

$$\mathcal{M}[J/\psi] \propto (\mathcal{A}_\rho + \mathcal{B}_{\rho\sigma} r^\sigma + \mathcal{C}_{\rho\sigma\tau} r^\sigma r^\tau + \dots) \epsilon_{J/\psi}^\rho$$

$$r^\mu = q_1^\mu - q_2^\mu$$

$\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}$  - matrix elements  $\epsilon_{J/\psi}^\rho$  -  $J/\psi$  polarization

- We will compute to leading order in relative quark velocity  $v$ , for  $J/\psi$ :

$$\mathcal{M}[J/\psi] = \left( \frac{\langle O_1 \rangle_{J/\psi}}{2N_c m_C} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{A}_\rho \epsilon_{J/\psi}^\rho \quad \langle O_1 \rangle_{J/\psi} \equiv \langle O_1(^3S_1) \rangle_{J/\psi}$$

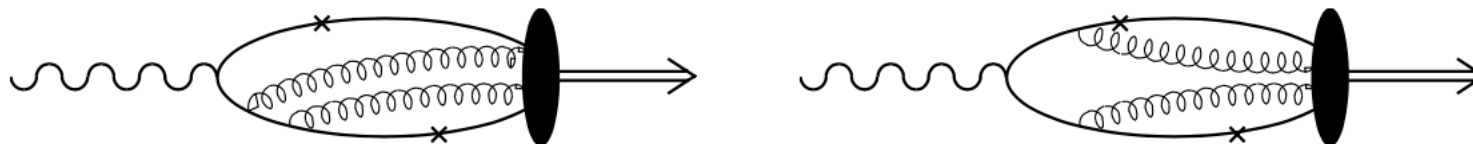
$$O_1(^3S_1) = \psi^\dagger \boldsymbol{\sigma} \chi \cdot \chi^\dagger \boldsymbol{\sigma} \psi$$

- Compute  $\Gamma_{ee} \propto \langle O_1 \rangle_{J/\psi}$ 
  - Extract  $\langle O_1 \rangle_{J/\psi}$  from measurement of  $\Gamma_{ee}$

$$\langle O_1 \rangle_V = \frac{N_c}{2\pi} |R_S(0)|^2 + \mathcal{O}(v^2)$$

- Leading zeroth order term in rel. velocity (NRQCD)
- First non-vanishing  $\mathcal{O}(v^2)$  relativistic correction small AFTER additional  $c\bar{c} + gg$  Fock state component considered for gauge invariance

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- $\mathcal{O}(6\%)$  cross section correction factor proportional to derivative of square of  $J/\psi$  w.f. at origin (and affecting normalisation only and not energy dependence)

# Sensitivity to the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ gluon PDF

- Remain in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme with  $Q_0$  subtracted coefficient functions to NLO accuracy
- Subtraction does not affect IR or UV divergence renormalisation procedures
- Soft singularity at  $l=0$  is removed after subtracting off the LO part of the NLO coefficient function before integral over loop momentum from 0 to  $Q_0$  is performed

$$\Delta \text{Im} \mathcal{M}^q = \frac{\alpha_s^2}{2\pi} \int_{\xi}^1 dx (F_q(x, \xi, m_c) - F_q(-x, \xi, m_c)) \left( \int_0^{Q_0^2} (M_a^q + M_b^q) \frac{2\pi m_c^4}{\hat{s}^2} dl^2 \right)$$

- Precisely this **FINITE** contribution that is subtracted from full  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  coefficient functions to avoid double counting inherent within  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme (subtraction fundamentally ubiquitous but numerically relevant for low scale processes only\*)

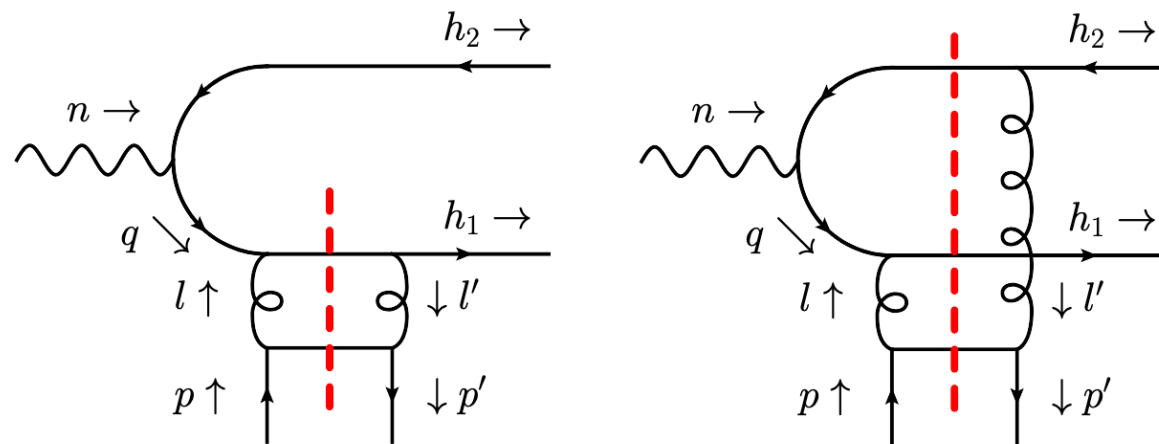
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\*see 1912.09304 for procedure applied to inclusive DIS and Drell-Yan production

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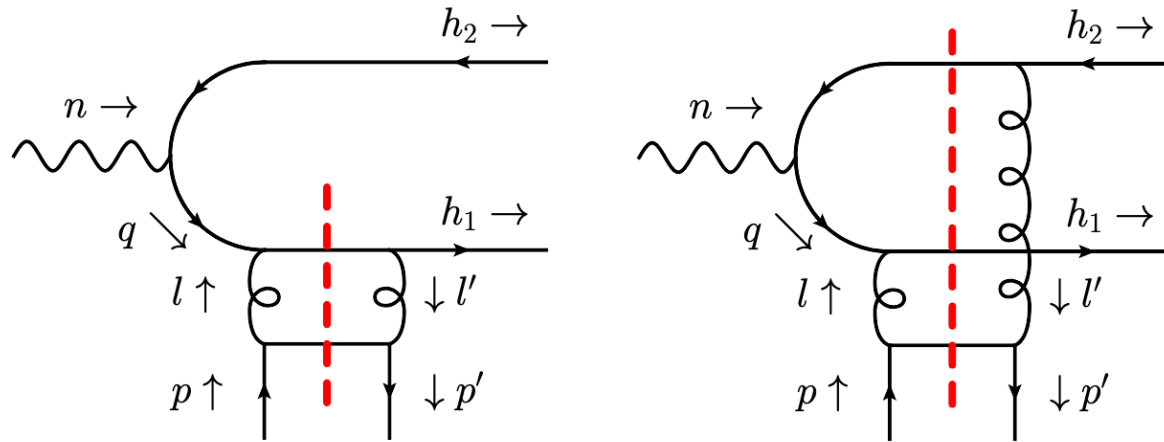
- NLO diagrams for quark and gluon channel considered. Contain both LO and NLO contributions. Subtract off LO contribution (part given by LO (generalised) DGLAP evolution  $P_{\text{LO}} \times C^0$ , see previous) before integration over  $l$  is performed, cancelling soft singularity  $dl^2/l^2$ .

## $Q_0$ subtraction - further comments

- Factorisation ansatz of the form  $C(x) \times \text{PDF}(Q)$
- Bare  $C$  is computed with the loop momentum from 0 to infinity, with the extremes giving IR and UV divergences dealt with in a consistent renormalisation procedure to the desired order in perturbation theory.
- e.g. in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ , and dim reg.,  $1/\epsilon$  collinear and ubiquitous finite term  $\sim \Gamma_{\text{Euler}}$  absorbed from bare  $C$
- The PDFs in the factorisation ansatz are parametrised from some PDF input scale  $Q_0$  and the low momentum region  $l_t < Q_0$  is already taken into account in the PDFs at  $Q_0$
- So, in convoluting  $C$  with PDFs in the factorisation ansatz, there exists a **double counting** of the  $l_t < Q_0$  region. We must subtract off this region contributing to  $C$ .

# Q0 subtraction - further comments

At NLO consider the following (cut) diagrams (+ gluon initiated):



Need to subtract off the  $l_t < Q_0$  contribution of these diagrams. This contains IR divergence. Formally cancelled at amplitude level through mass counter term:

Diagrams where the form of the NLO correction at some factorisation scale can be included as part of evolution of PDFs at another factorisation scale carries a double counting - with  $\mu_F = m_c$  & small  $x$  this is the equivalence class of gluon ladder diagrams

$$\Delta_g^{col}(x, \xi) = -\frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{\hat{\epsilon}} + \ln \left( \frac{\mu_F^2}{\mu^2} \right) \right) \int_{-1}^1 dv \tilde{T}_g^{(0)}(v, \xi) V_{gg}(v, x)$$

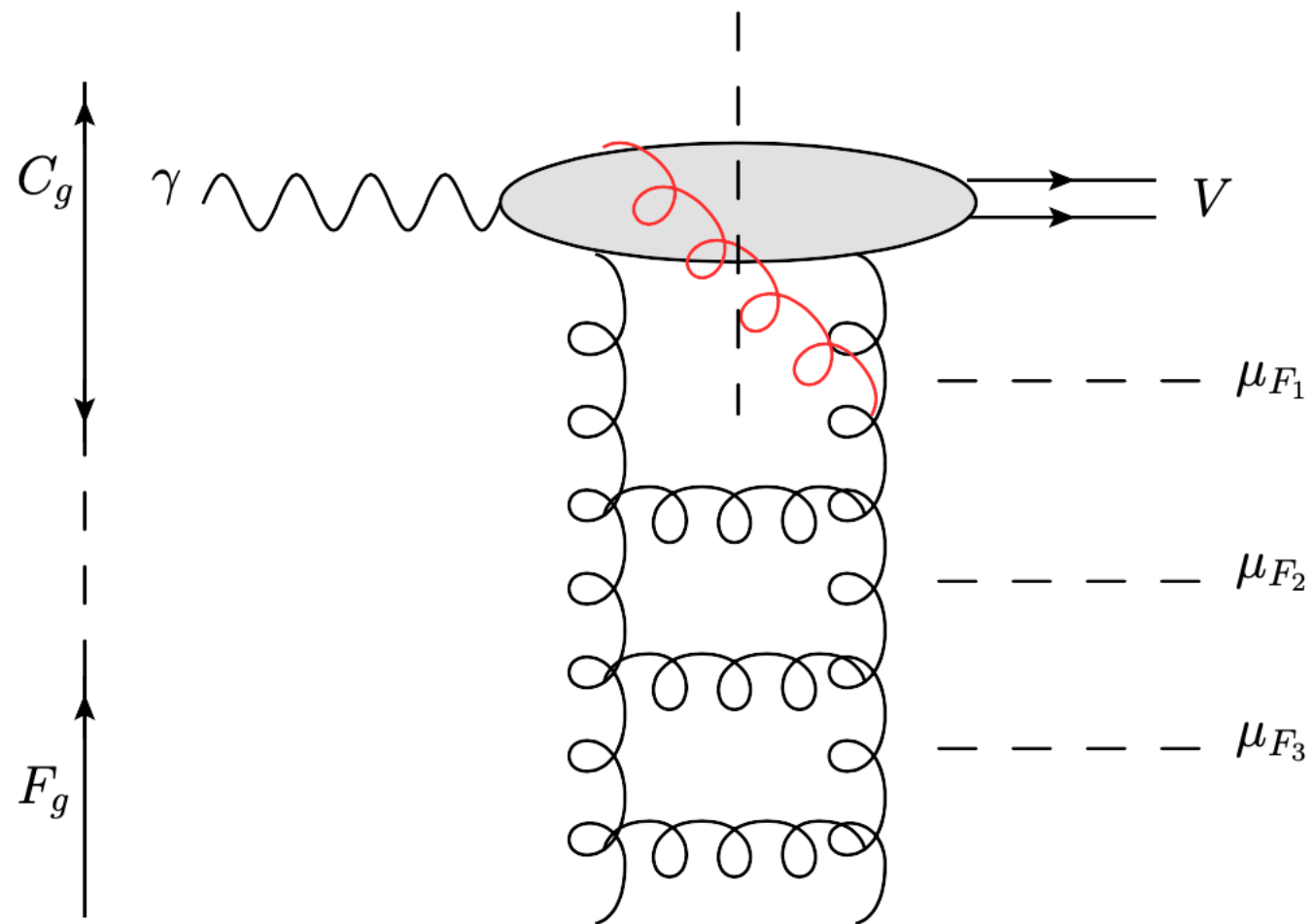
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## Q0 subtraction - further comments

Remove at diagram level through the convolution  $P_{LO} \times C_{LO}$ . This removes the  $dl^2/l^2$  divergence of the diagram leaving a finite integration from 0 to  $Q_0$  which can be computed and subtracted off together with this contribution amongst the other diagrams from the renormalised  $\overline{MS}$  coefficient function

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# DLL effective small x resummation - further comments



Use scale shifting approach to move large corrections from NLO coefficient function to LO contribution.

At small  $x$ , these are logarithmically enhanced terms  $\sim \ln(1/x) \ln(\mu_F^2/mc^2)$ . Accomplish through scale choice  $\mu_F = mc$

--> LO GPDs at  $\mu_F = mc$  include such DLLA logarithmically enhanced terms

$$A(\mu_f) = C^{\text{LO}} \times \text{GPD}(\mu_F) + C^{\text{NLO}}(\mu_F) \times \text{GPD}(\mu_f)$$

# Higher twist contributions

- Absorptive corrections, which provide the saturation, are described by higher-twist operators and formally not known within the collinear factorisation approach.
- The relative size of the contribution of the next twist absorptive correction is driven by parameter:

$$c = \alpha_s \frac{xg(x)}{R^2 \mu_0^2}$$

- Factor appearing in GLR equation (Phys. Rept. 100 (1983) 1–150) provides non-linear terms through computation of so-called ‘fan’ diagrams in pQCD that tame (linear) BFKL evolution
- Semi-quantitative estimate based on this scaling gives higher-twist term of O(few percent\*). Details in 2006.13857.

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\*If one takes into consideration the colour factor calculated assuming that the low x gluon is emitted by the valence quark in the proton, then there is an additional factor of 81/16 which enhances the estimate to ~6.5%. However, the point is that the higher-twist contribution may be relatively small and that, together with the additional factor of  $\alpha_s$  from  $\langle v^2 \rangle \sim \alpha_s$ , all the parametric dependence is included in the GLR factor  $c$ .



# Alternate small x resummation

- By fixing the scale in the way described previously, we may miss terms containing a large  $\ln(1/x)$  not enhanced by a logarithm depending on the factorisation scale, previously considered  $(\alpha_s \ln(1/\xi) \ln(\mu_F/m))^n$
- Can also consider terms  $(\alpha_s \ln(1/\xi))^n$ :

$$Im\mathcal{M}^g \sim H^g(\xi, \xi) + \int_{\xi}^1 \frac{dx}{x} H^g(x, \xi) \sum_{n=1} C_n(L) \frac{\bar{\alpha}_s^n}{(n-1)!} \log^{n-1} \frac{x}{\xi}$$

$$A \sim 1 + z \ln \left( \frac{m^2}{\mu_F^2} \right) + z^2 \left[ \frac{\pi^2}{6} + \frac{1}{2} \ln^2 \left( \frac{m^2}{\mu_F^2} \right) \right] + \dots, \quad z^n \sim \alpha_s^n \ln^n(1/\xi)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} a) \quad (\mu_F = M_V) : \quad & 1 - 1.39 z + 2.61 z^2 + 0.481 z^3 - 4.96 z^4 + \dots \\ b) \quad (\mu_F = M_V/2) : \quad & 1 + 0. z + 1.64 z^2 + 3.21 z^3 + 1.08 z^4 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- **To investigate:** Supplement the fixed order NLO code with the resummed coefficients (with and without a Q0 subtraction)