

The ratio of the inclusive 3-jet cross section to the inclusive 2-jet cross section at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV.

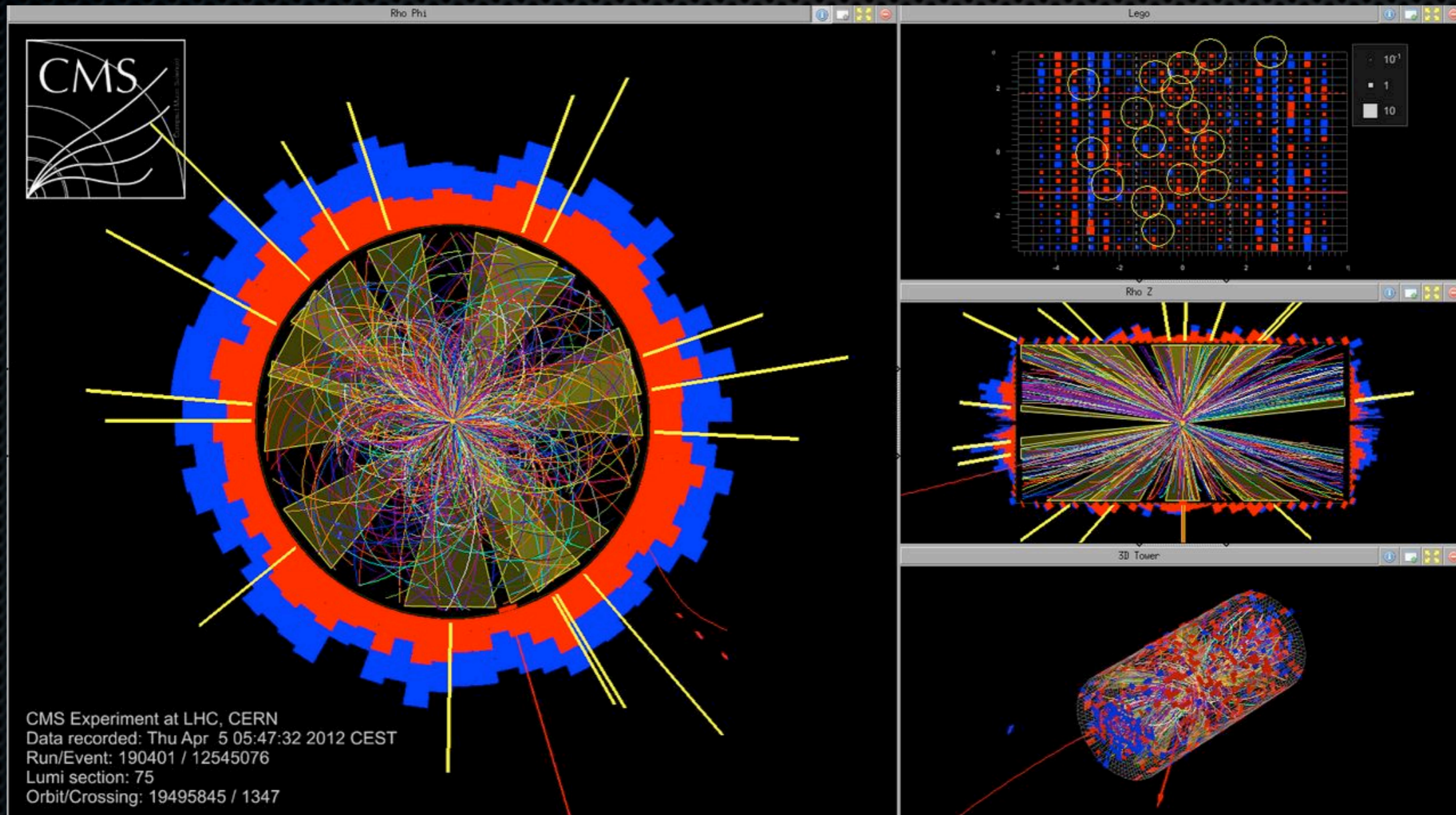
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The compact muon solenoid

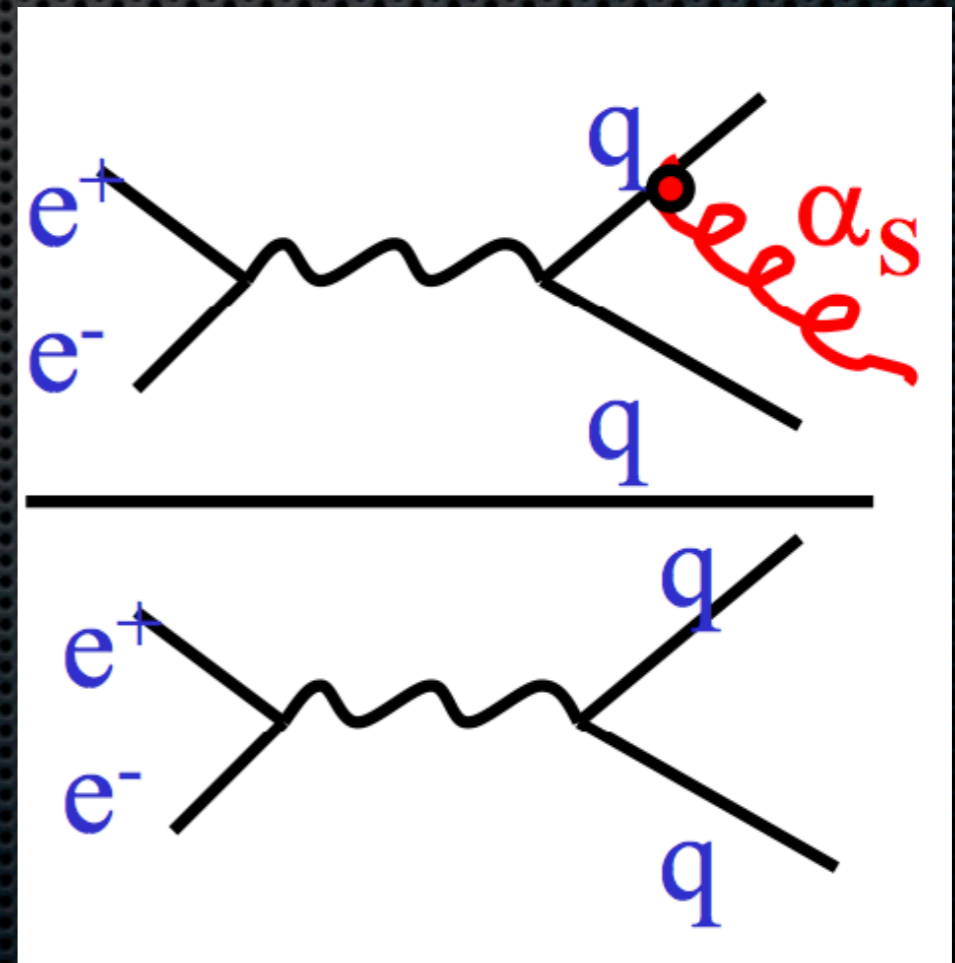
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \int L dt = 5.0 \text{ fb}^{-1} \\ \langle p_{T1,2} \rangle \in [0.42, 1.39] \text{ TeV} \\ \alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1148 \pm 0.0014(\text{exp}) \pm 0.0018(\text{PDF})_{-0.0000}^{+0.0050}(\text{scale}) \end{array} \right.$$



Why is this measurement interesting?

- ✦ It is a test of a property of QCD referred to asymptotic freedom: the ratio R_{32} is proportional to the strong coupling constant;
- ✦ The ratio is independent on luminosity;

$$R_{32} = \frac{\sigma(q\bar{q} \rightarrow 2 \text{ jets})}{\sigma(q\bar{q} \rightarrow 3 \text{ jets})}$$



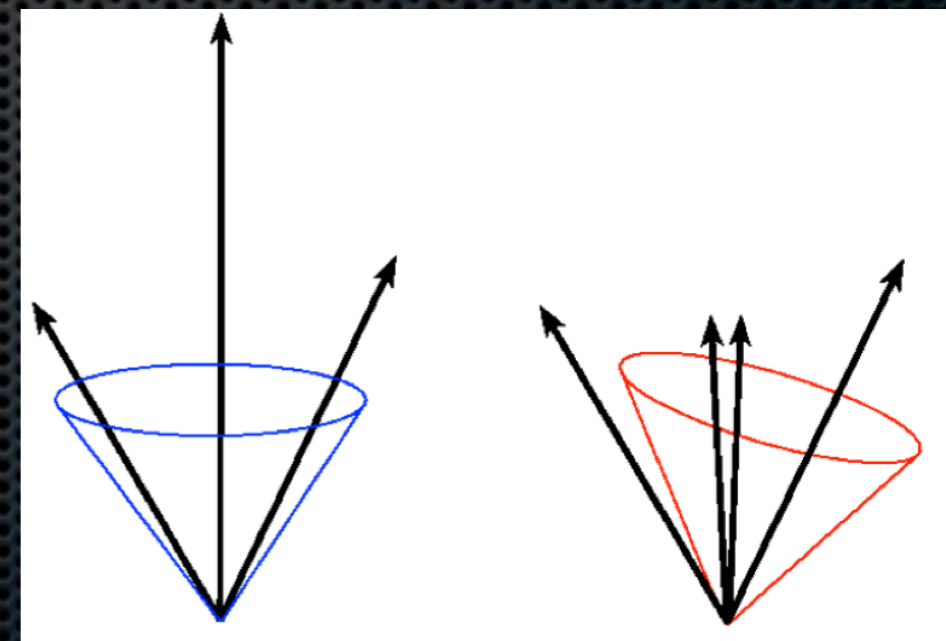
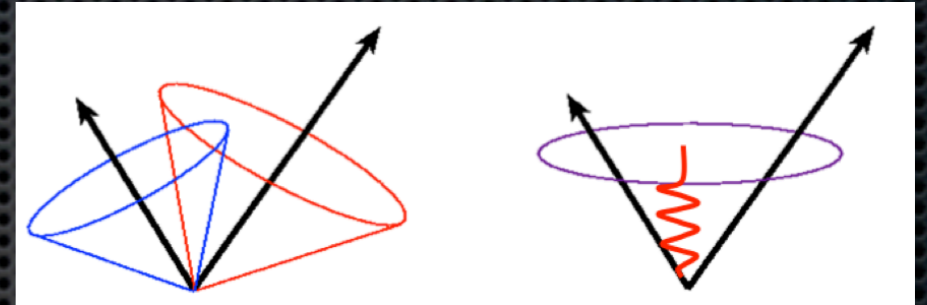
Jet reconstruction

Infrared and collinear safe
anti-Kt clustering algorithm
with a size parameter of 0.7;

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{(E+p_z)}{(E-p_z)}$$

$$p_T = \sqrt{(p_x^2 + p_y^2)}$$

$$p_T > 150 \text{ GeV} \quad |y| < 2.5$$

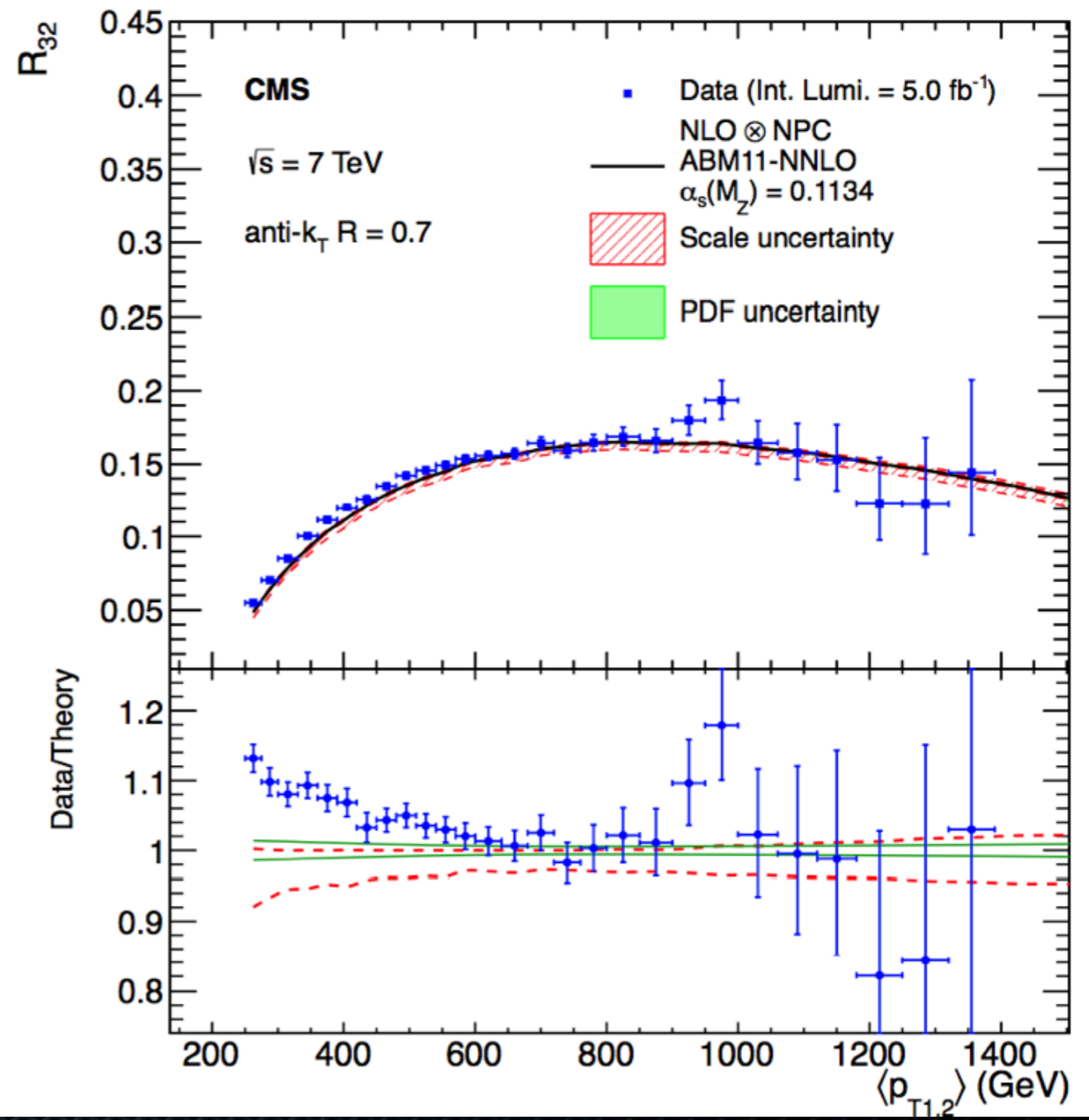
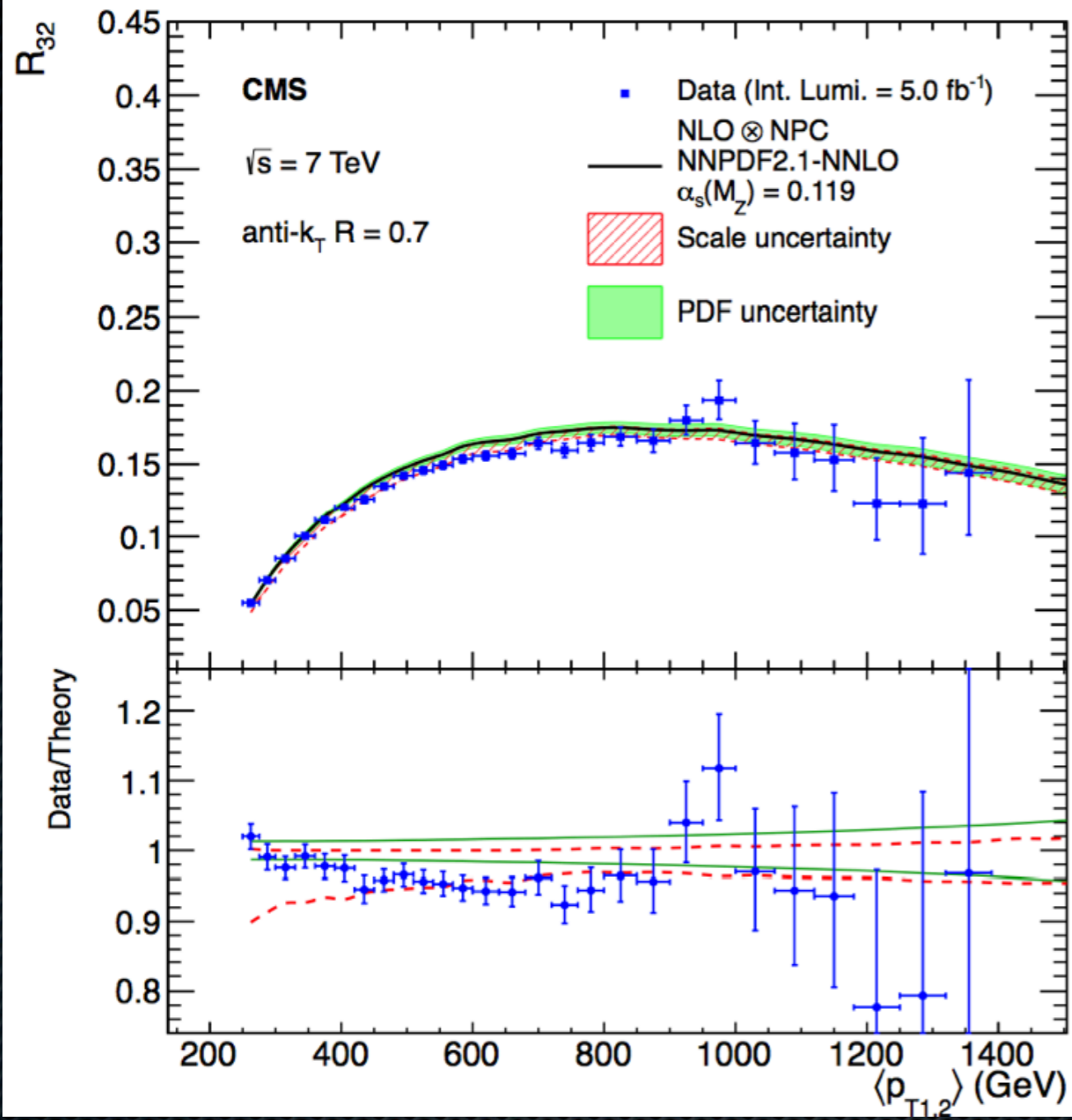


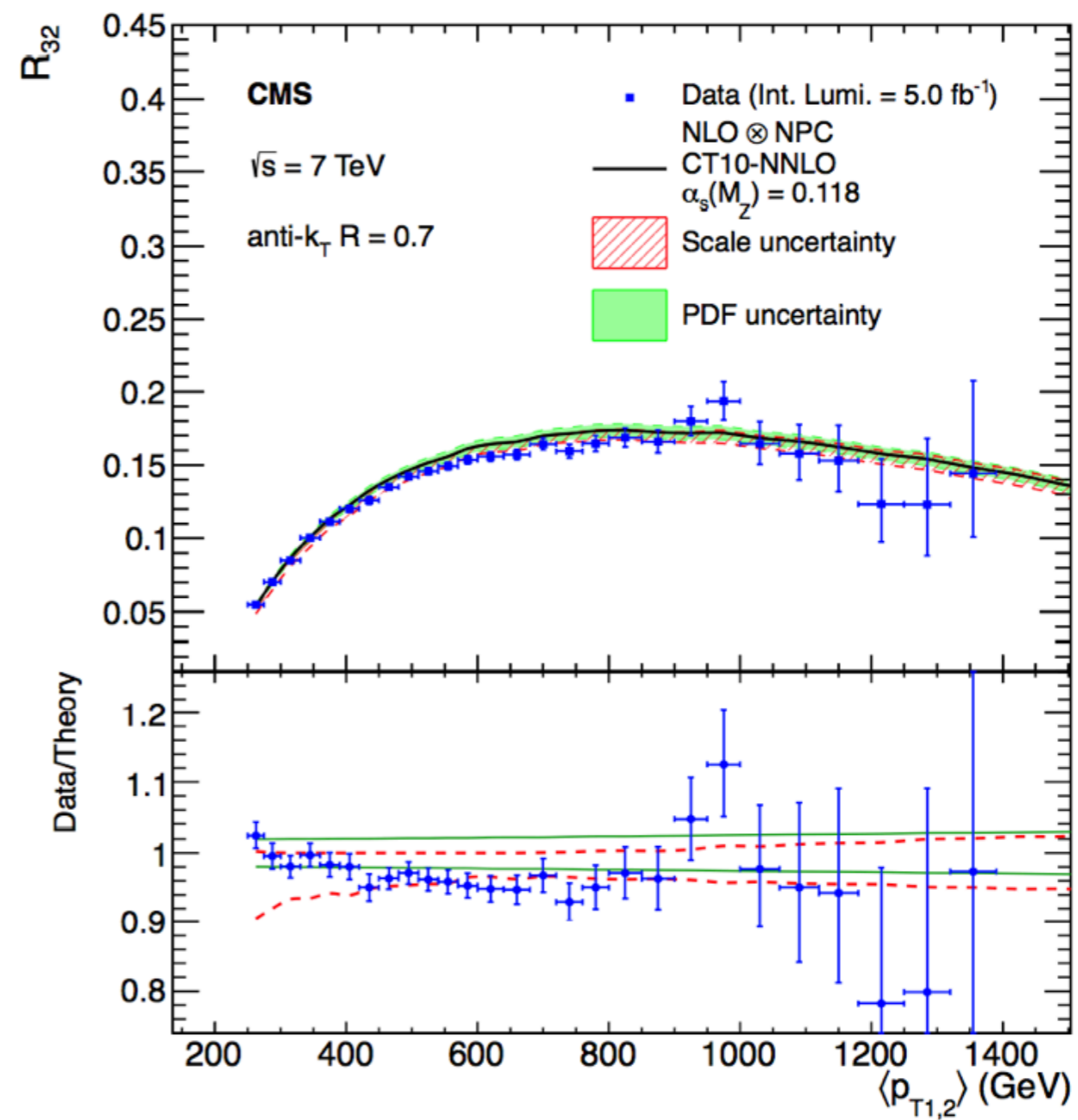
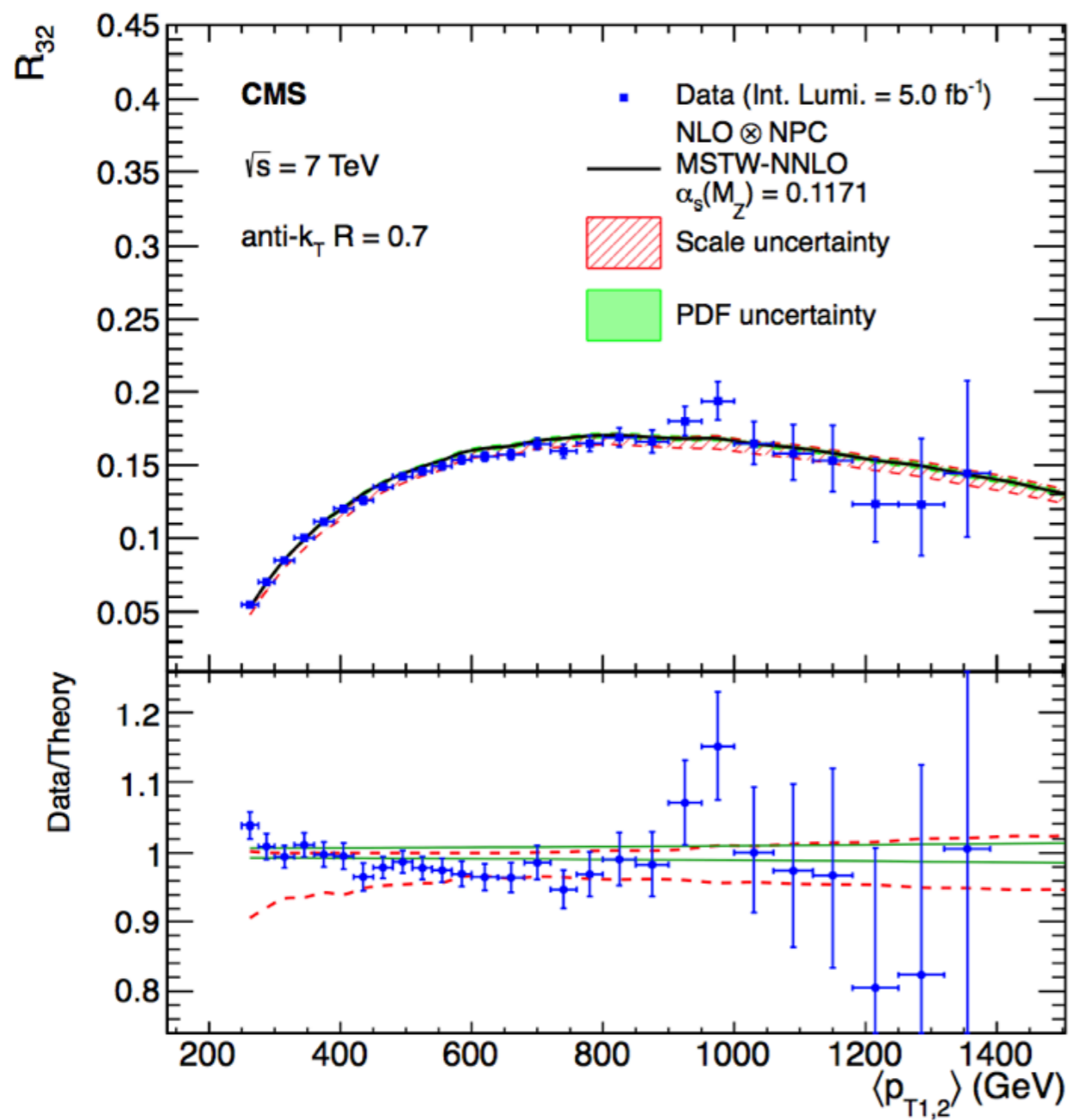
Calorimeters vs tracks

- ✦ ECAL;
- ✦ HCAL;
- ✦ identification criteria give us 99% efficiency in identifying genuine jets;
- ✦ Jet energy corrections are derived using simulated events;
- ✦ pile-up becomes negligible for jets with $p_T > 200\text{GeV}$.

Measurement of systematic uncertainties

- ✦ unfolding less than 1%;
- ✦ detector smearing;
- ✦ JES: 1.2%;





Using the *NNPDF2.1 PDF* set, we can propagate uncertainties of PDF to the fits for each value of $\alpha_s(M_z)$

The result of a fit to the region of 420-1390

GeV is $\alpha_s(M_z) = 0.1148 \pm 0.0014(\text{exp})$.

$$\chi^2/N_{dof} = \frac{22.0}{20}$$

Theoretical uncertainties

- R_{32} is based on the next-to-leading-order perturbative QCD multiplied by a non perturbative factor;
- four different parton distribution function sets/
independent analysis;
- Non perturbative uncertainties: hadronization and multiparticle interactions $\rightarrow 0.1\%$;

Theoretical errors

- Contribution of PDFs to uncertainties: 100 replicas on NNPDF2.1;
- renormalization and factorization scales: they vary the default choice of $\mu_r = \mu_f = \langle p_{T1,2} \rangle$ between $\frac{\langle p_{T1,2} \rangle}{2}$ and $2 \langle p_{T1,2} \rangle$ in six combinations;

Table 2: μ_r and μ_f

$\mu_r / \langle p_{T1,2} \rangle$	$\mu_f / \langle p_{T1,2} \rangle$	$\alpha_S(M_Z) \pm (\text{exp.})$	χ^2 / N_{dof}
1	1	0.1148 ± 0.0014	22.0 / 20
1/2	1/2	0.1198 ± 0.0021	30.6 / 20
1/2	1	0.1149 ± 0.0014	22.2 / 20
1	1/2	0.1149 ± 0.0014	22.2 / 20
1	2	0.1150 ± 0.0015	21.9 / 20
2	1	0.1159 ± 0.0014	20.7 / 20
2	2	0.1172 ± 0.0018	21.3 / 20

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1148 \pm 0.0014(\text{exp}) \pm 0.0018(\text{PDF})_{-0.0000}^{+0.0050}(\text{scale})$$

The world average value is:

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1184 \pm 0.0007$$

and it is also in agreement with the
Tevatron and LHC results.

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{MSTW2008: } \alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1141 \pm 0.0022(\text{exp}) \\ \text{CT10: } \alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1135 \pm 0.0019(\text{exp}) \end{array} \right.$$

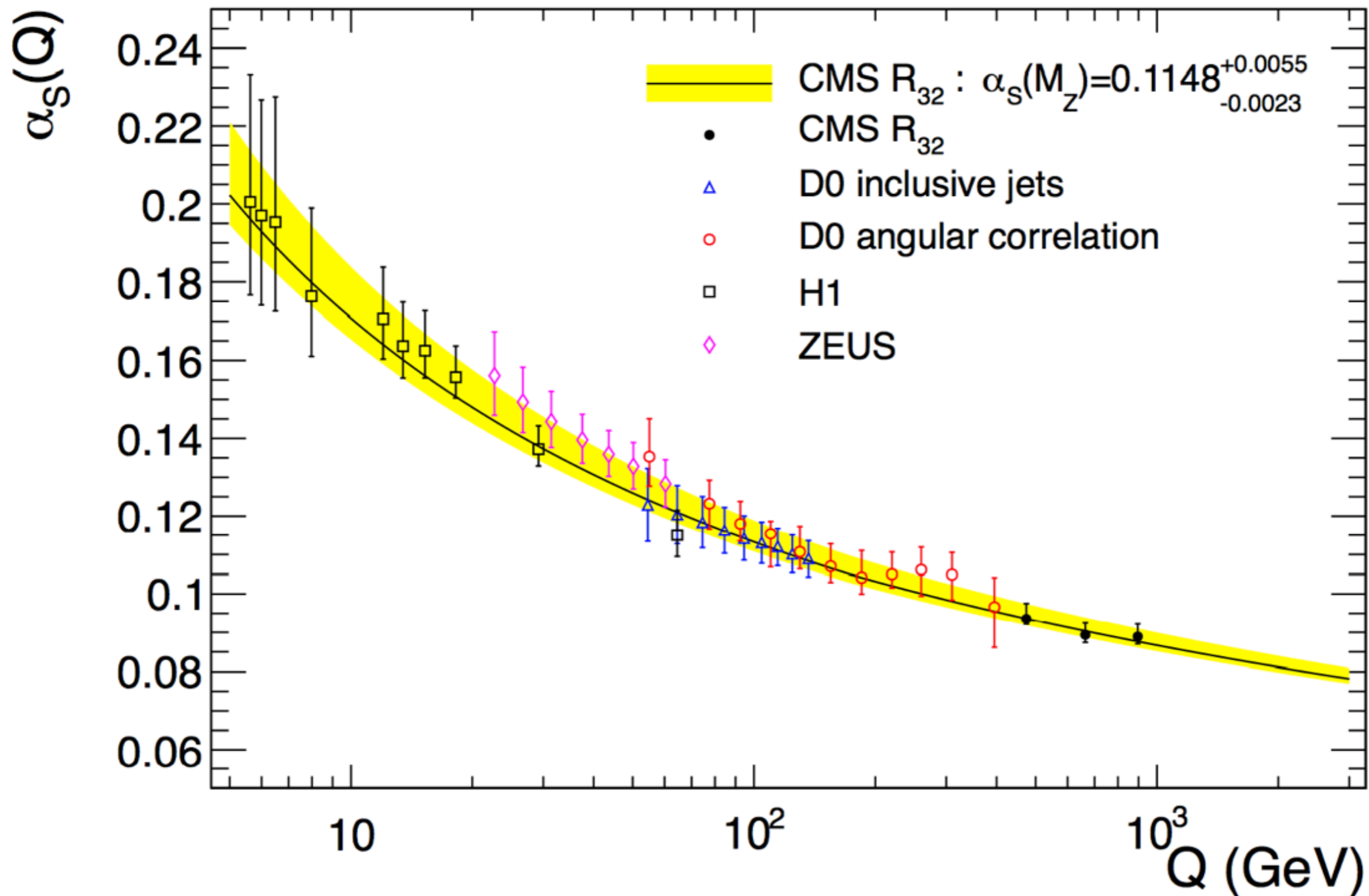
Roughly independent on NNLO or NLO

The ABM11 PDF set does not describe the data as well as the alternative PDF set

Table 3-4: three bins of momentum

$\langle p_{T1,2} \rangle$ range (GeV)	Q (GeV)	$\alpha_s(M_Z)$	$\alpha_s(Q)$	No. of data points	χ^2/N_{dof}
420–600	474	$0.1147^{+0.0061}_{-0.0021}$	$0.0936^{+0.0040}_{-0.0014}$	6	4.4/5
600–800	664	$0.1132^{+0.0050}_{-0.0031}$	$0.0894^{+0.0031}_{-0.0019}$	5	5.9/4
800–1390	896	$0.1170^{+0.0058}_{-0.0032}$	$0.0889^{+0.0033}_{-0.0018}$	10	5.7/9

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420–600	474	0.1147	± 0.0015	± 0.0015	$+0.0057$ -0.0000
600–800	664	0.1132	± 0.0018	± 0.0025	$+0.0039$ -0.0000
800–1390	896	0.1170	± 0.0024	± 0.0021	$+0.0048$ -0.0003



Graph 3: the measurement of the strong coupling constant

Conclusions:

The ratio R_{32} has been measured for jets in the range $250 < \langle p_T \rangle < 1390 \text{ GeV}$ at LHC and the result agrees with QCD predictions at NLO.

The obtained result for the strong coupling constant is determined to be:

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1148 \pm 0.0014(\text{exp}) \pm 0.0018(\text{PDF})_{-0.0000}^{+0.0050}(\text{scale})$$

The dominating error is theoretical and it agrees with the results from other experiments

**Thank you for
your attention!**