

# Unpolarized PDFs: MMHT perspective

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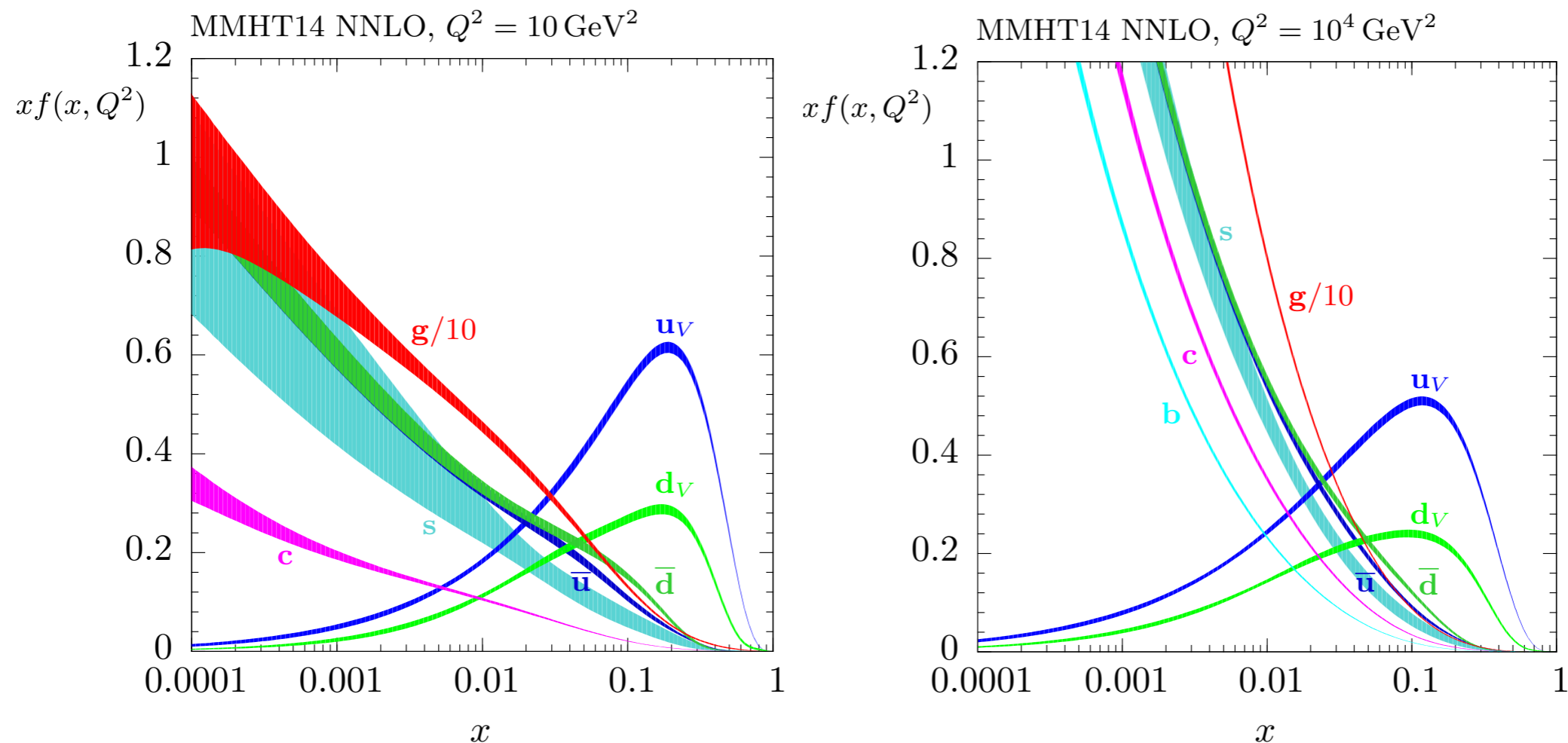
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# Outline

- MMHT PDFs, a (brief) introduction:
  - Parameterisation.
  - Data sets.
  - Theory input, error treatment...
- PDF sets and current uncertainties.
- PDF moments and Gottfried sum rule violation.
- Outlook.

# MMHT PDFs



- Global PDF set building on earlier MSTW framework.
- MMHT14: latest version, available up to NNLO, for different flavour schemes and heavy quark masses.
- Subsequent unofficial fits performed with e.g. final HERA data set, and further LHC data.

# MMHT: parameterisation

- The **6** light  $q/\bar{q}$  flavour and gluon are parametrised in terms of the combinations  $u_V, d_V, S = 2(\bar{u} + \bar{d}) + s + \bar{s}, s + \bar{s}, s - \bar{s}, \bar{d} - \bar{u}, g$
- ‘Standard’ historical form for PDF at  $Q_0 = 1 \text{ GeV}$ :

$$x f(x, Q_0^2) = A(1 - x)^\eta x^\delta (1 + \epsilon x^{0.5} + \gamma x).$$

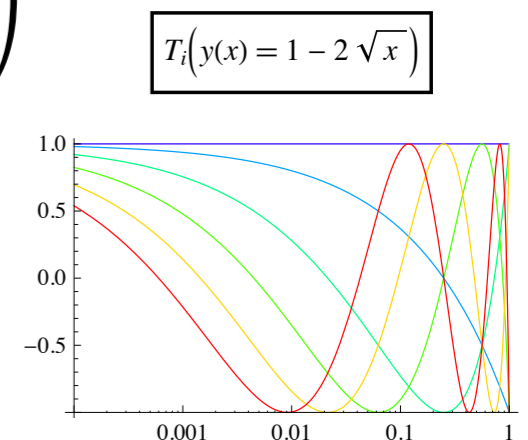
- $\delta(\eta)$  - low(high)  $x$ . Classic form due to general theory expectations.
- Complete freedom in intermediate (...) terms. In light of LHC data, earlier form not sufficiently flexible.

A.D. Martin et al., Eur.Phys.J. C73  
(2013) no.2, 2318. arXiv:1211.1215

- Now parameterised in terms of Chebyshev Polynomials:

$$x f(x, Q_0^2) = A(1 - x)^\eta x^\delta \left( 1 + \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i T_i(1 - \sqrt{x}) \right)$$

i.e. **7** free parameters.



# MMHT: parameterisation

- Number of parameters driven by data considerations, e.g. Chebyshev form first taken for  $u_V - d_V$  due to difficulty describing LHC  $W$  data.

- Less constrained PDFs - simpler forms:

$$s_- \equiv x(s - \bar{s}) = A_- (1 - x)^{\eta_-} x^{\delta_-} (1 - x/x_0)$$

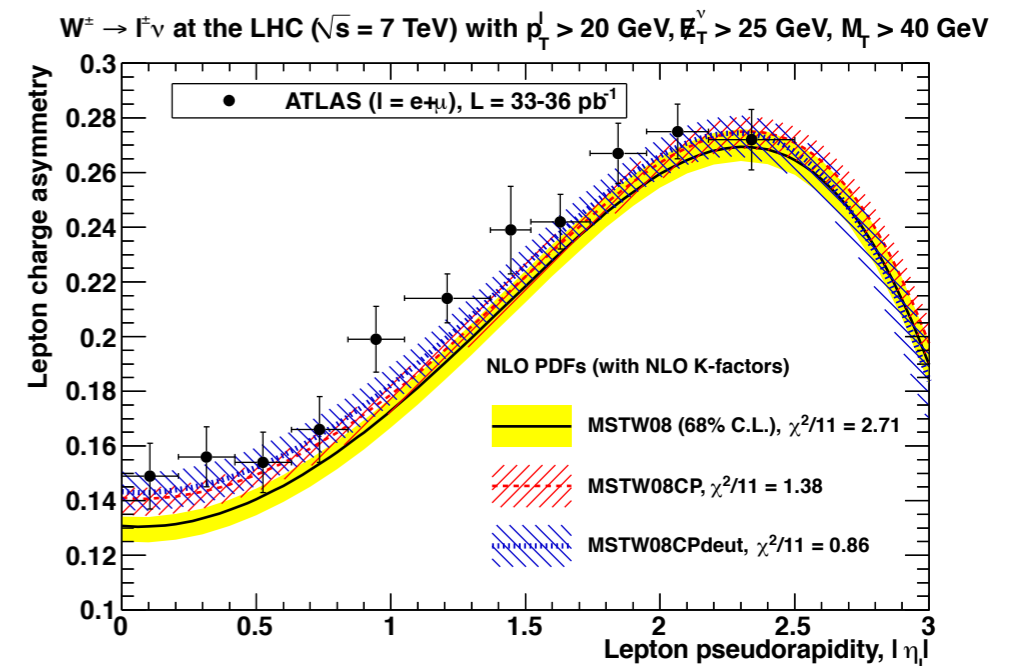
- ▶  $s - \bar{s} / \bar{d} - \bar{u}$  : ‘historical-type’ forms

with 3/4 free parameters.

- ▶  $s + \bar{s}$  : low  $x$  power fixed assuming  $\bar{s} \sim \bar{u}, \bar{d}$

- ▶  $g$  : increased flexibility demanded by e.g.

DIS data. 8 free parameters.

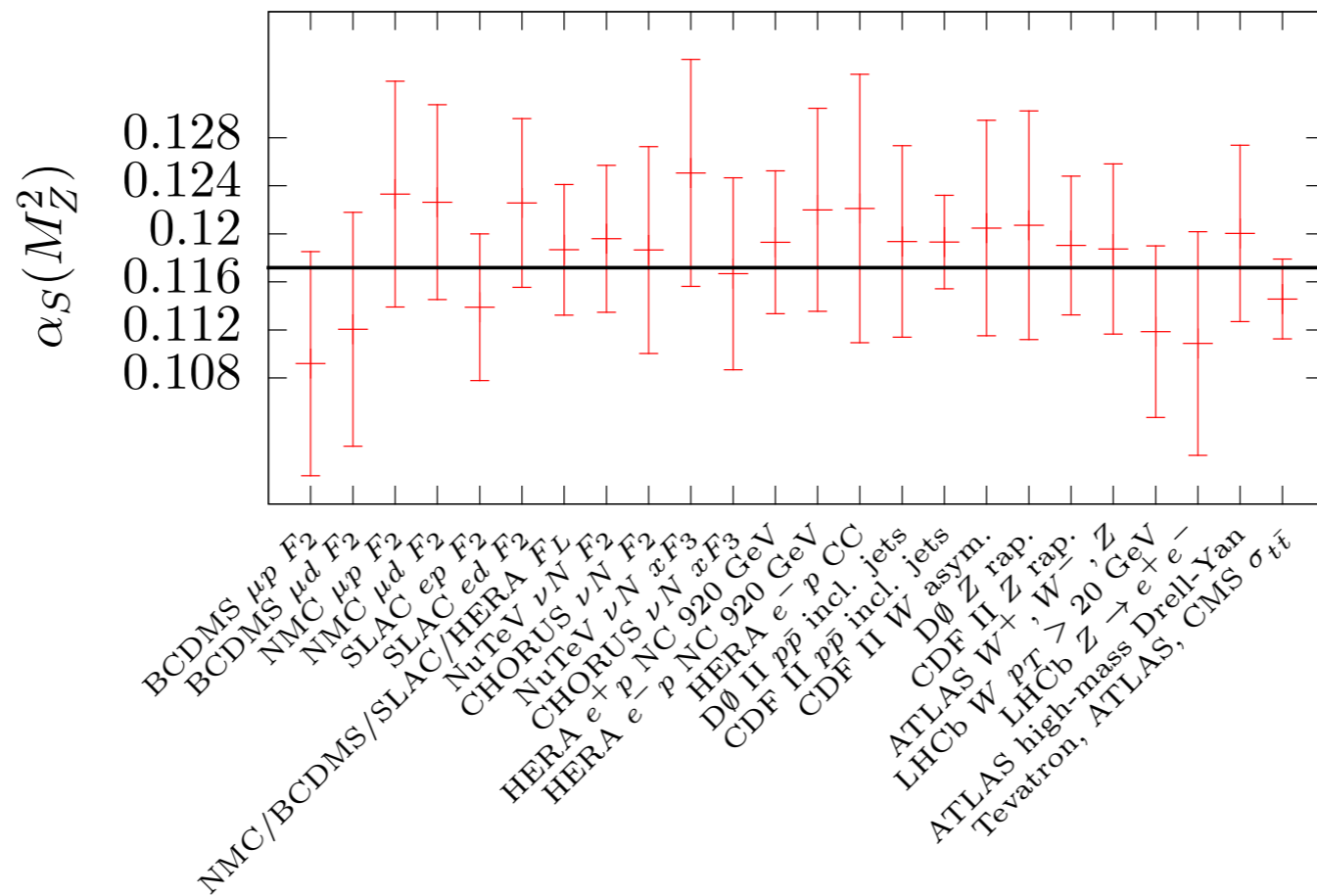


- 4 constraints from sum rules  $\Rightarrow$  37 free PDF parameters in total.

- Heavy ( $c, b$ ) quark PDFs generated entirely from DGLAP evolution ( $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  emission). No intrinsic charm.

# MMHT: uncertainties

- ▶ Use Hessian method. Standard  $\Delta\chi^2 + 1$  error setting appropriate when fitting consistent data sets, with gaussian errors and well-defined theory.
- ▶ Not the case here  $\Rightarrow$  use weaker hypothesis testing criteria.
- ▶ ‘**Dynamical Tolerance**’: set uncertainties on each parameter by requiring that every data set is described within its (suitably rescaled) 68% CL.



# MMHT: strong coupling

- By default, allow  $\alpha_S$  (+ uncertainty) to be determined by fit alone.

Find result **consistent** with world average, e.g. for MMHT14:

$$\alpha_S^{w.a.}(M_Z^2) = 0.1181 \pm 0.0011$$

$$\text{NNLO: } \alpha_S(M_Z^2) = 0.1172 \pm 0.0013 \text{ (68\% C.L.),}$$

- More recent HERA + LHC data tends to pull this up towards 0.118.
- Also try adding in world average as data point. Impact on PDFs small.

[arXiv:1506.05682](https://arxiv.org/abs/1506.05682)

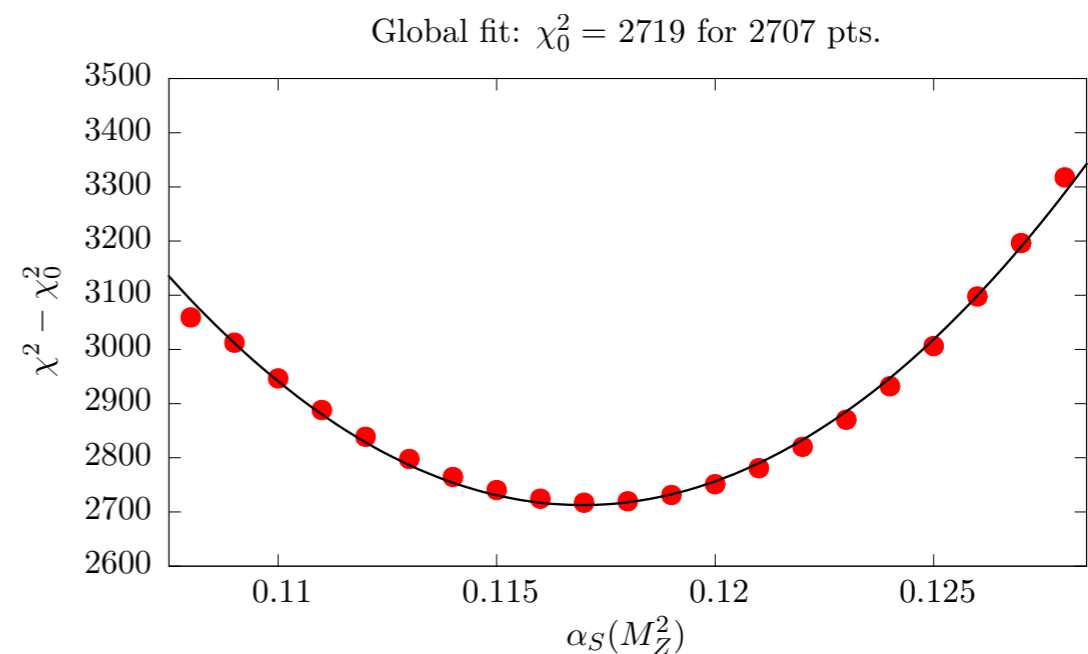
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Uncertainties on  $\alpha_S$  in the MMHT2014 global PDF  
analysis and implications for SM predictions

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# MMHT: data sets

- Global fit  $\Rightarrow$  range of  $(pp, p\bar{p}, ep)$  collider and fixed-target data included. Aim to constrain PDFs as much as possible.
- [MMHT14](#) - range of data sets, including:
  - Hera charged and neutral current, heavy quark structure functions.
  - Fixed nuclear target with neutrino beams.
  - Fixed proton/deuteron target structure function data.
  - Tevatron collider - jets,  $W$ ,  $Z$  production.
  - First LHC data -  $W$ ,  $Z$ ,  $t\bar{t}$ .



# Post-MMHT14 fits

- In 2015 final HERA combined Run-I + II data set released. Study of **1601.03413**: lead to some reduction in MMHT14 uncertainties. Not enough to justify new release.

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## The impact of the final HERA combined data on PDFs obtained from a global fit

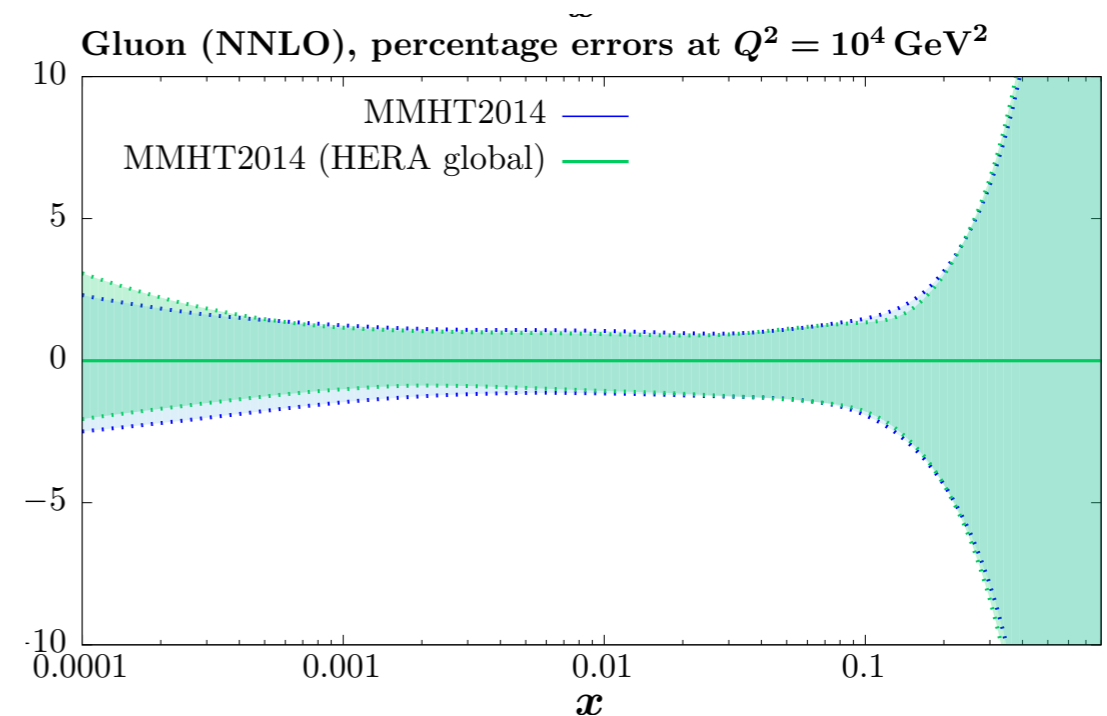
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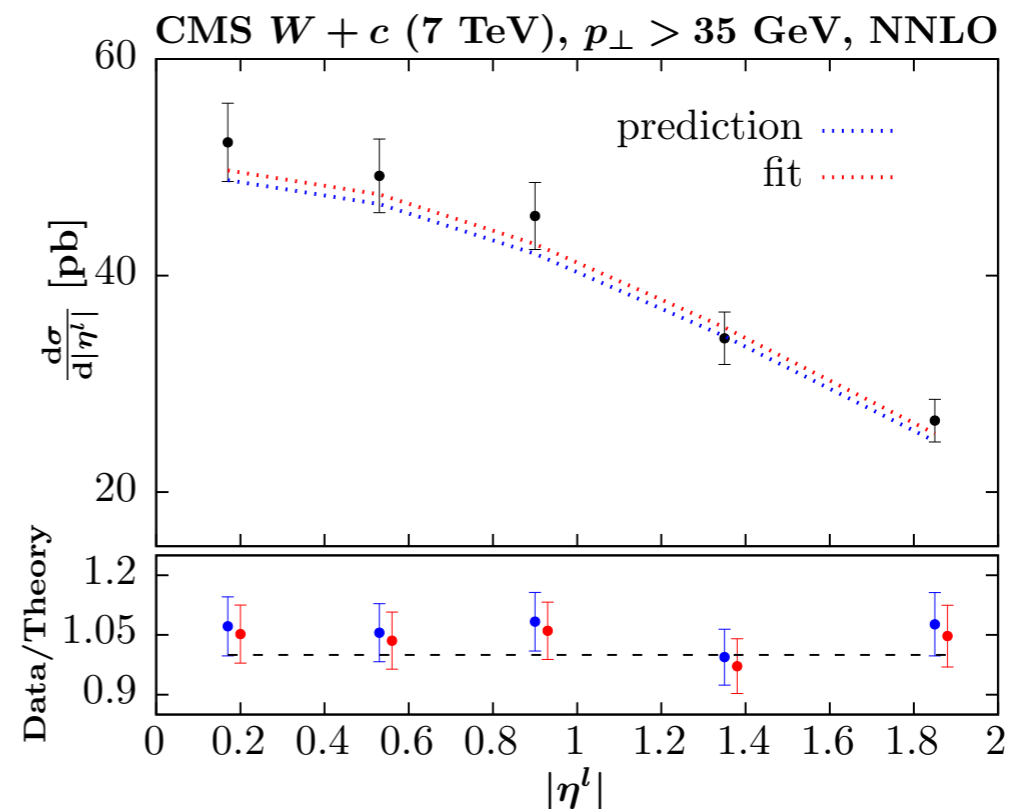
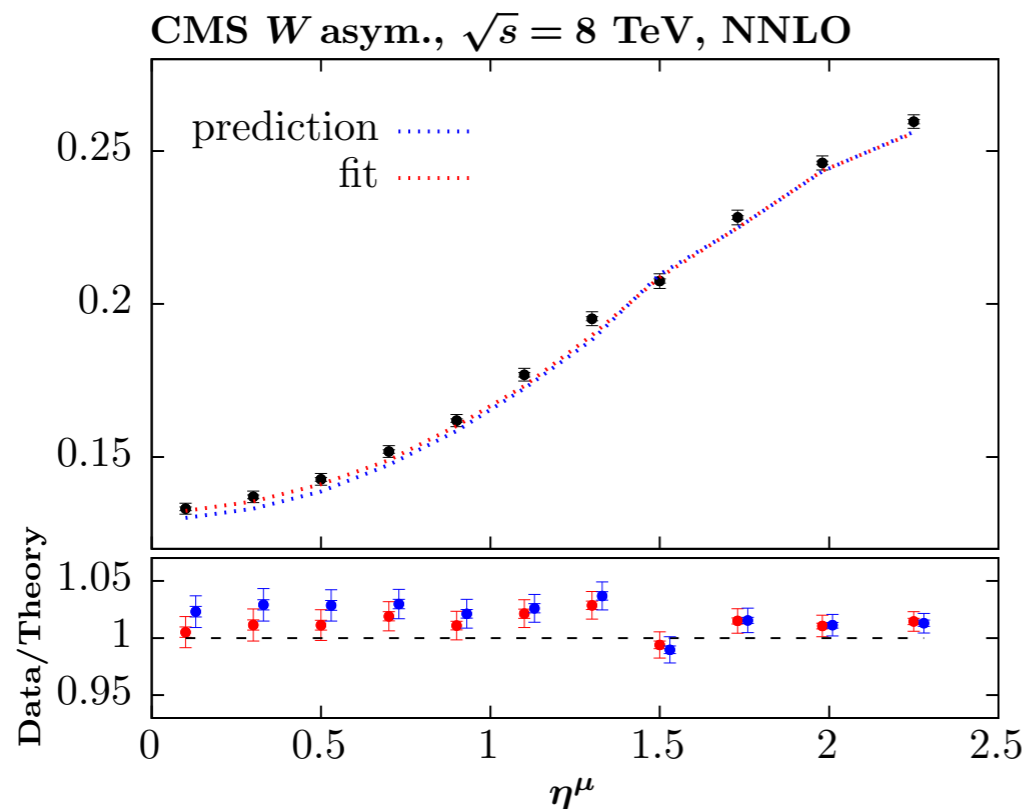
### Abstract

We investigate the effect of including the HERA run I + II combined cross section data on the MMHT2014 PDFs. We present the fit quality within the context of the global



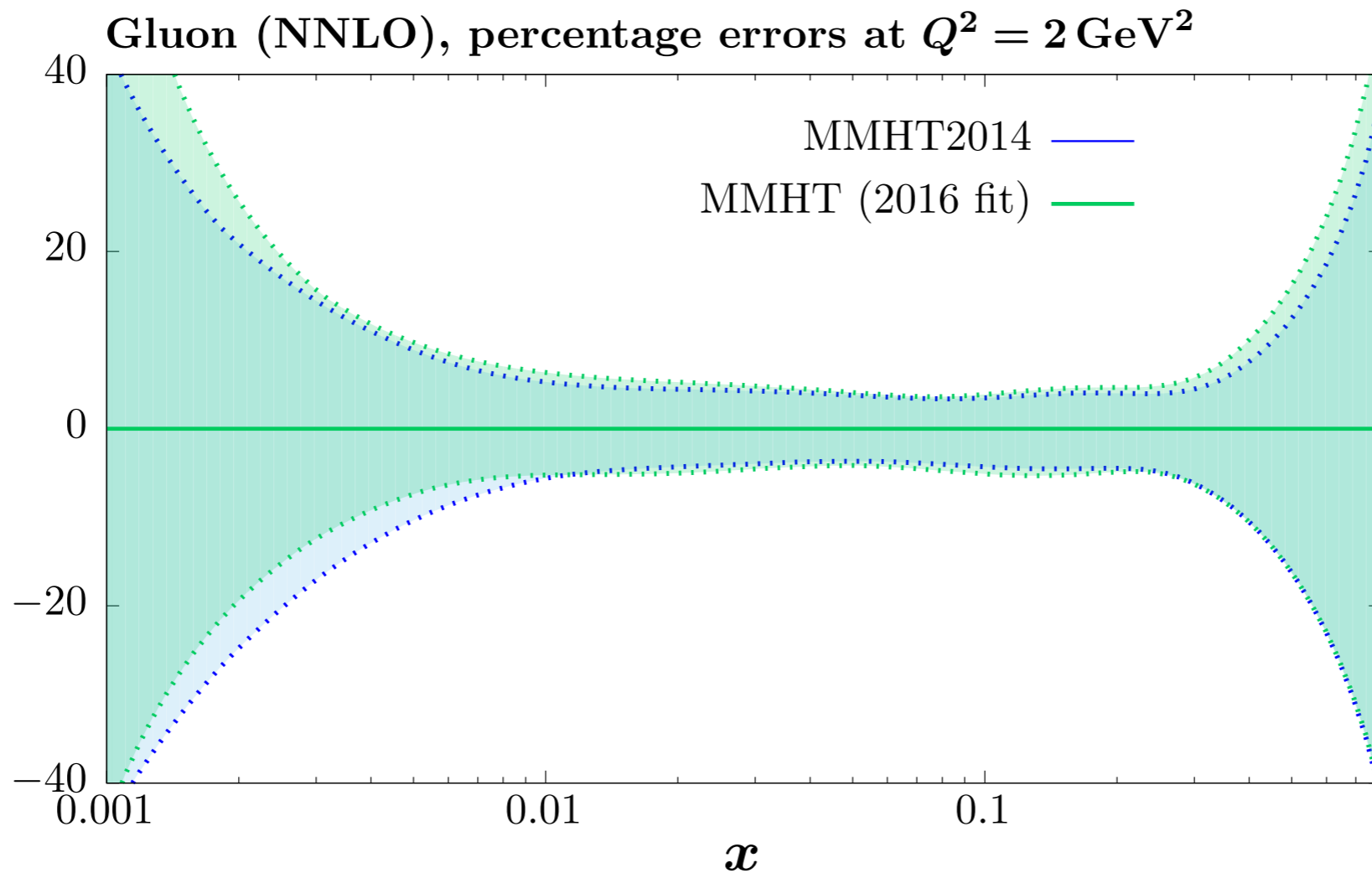
# Post-MMHT14 fits

- Much experimental progress from the LHC: increasingly precise data available ( $W$ ,  $Z$  over wide range of  $x$ , jet production...). Unofficial **MMHT (2016 fit)** performed to range of new such data.

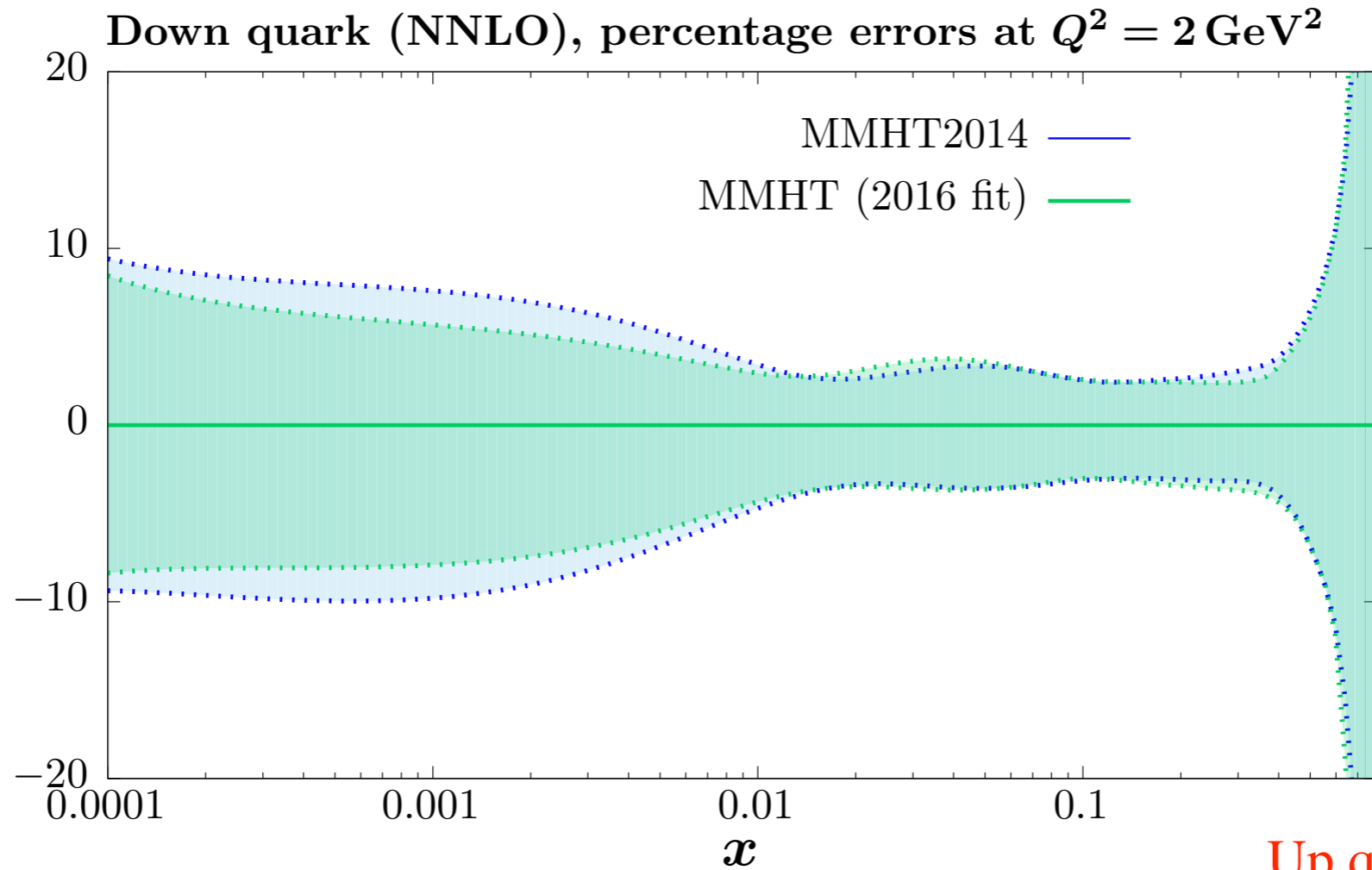


- LHC data precision keeps improving, e.g. new ATLAS  $W$ ,  $Z$  data. First look: impact dramatic (see later).
- All to be included in updated fit in intermediate future.

PDFs: current uncertainties

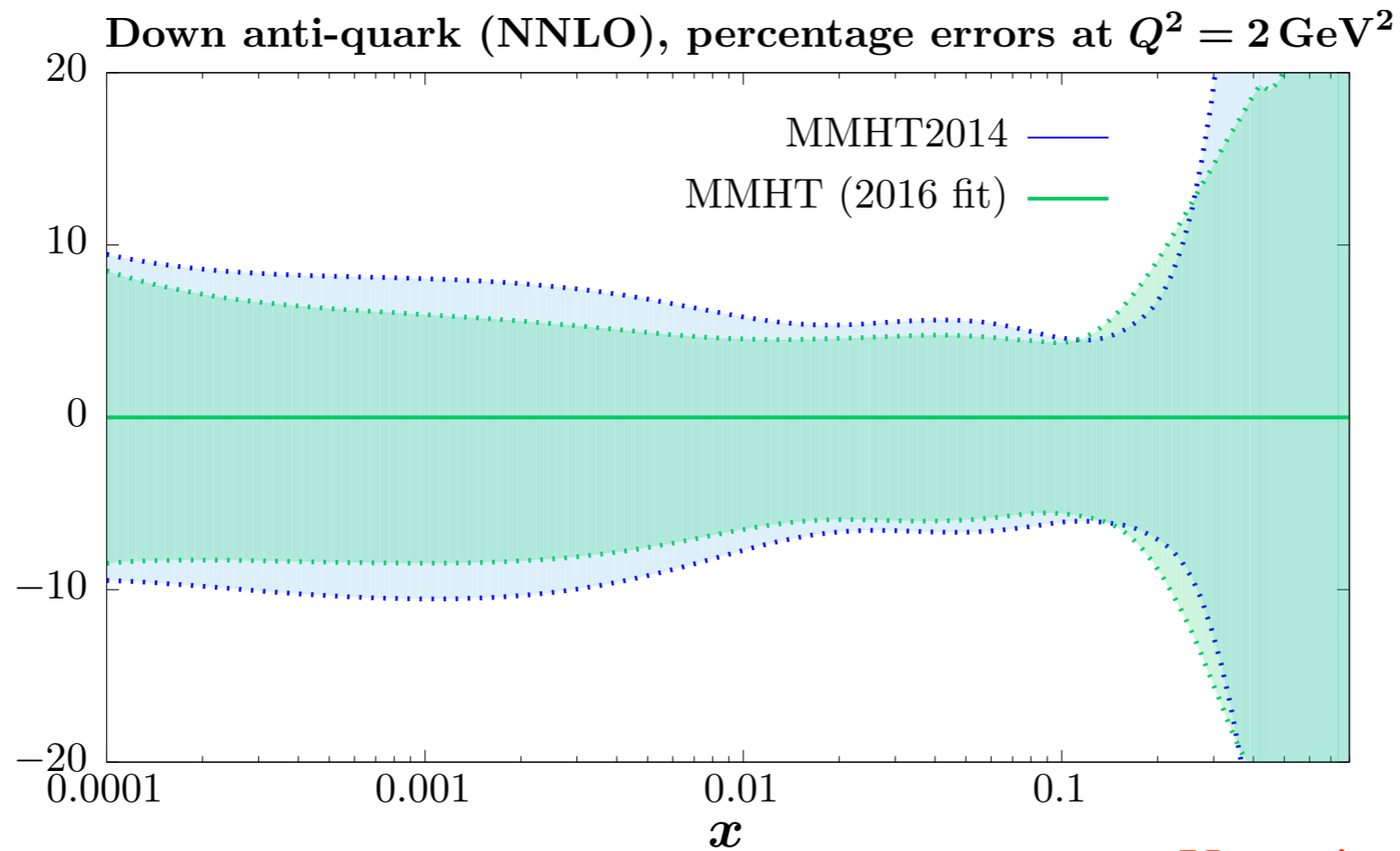


- Low  $x$  :  
 $\lesssim 10^{-3}$ 
  - **Uncertainties** large. Little **constraint**.
  - **Future**: Possibilities with heavy meson production.
- Mid  $x$ :  
 $10^{-3} \lesssim x \lesssim 10^{-1}$ 
  - **Uncertainties** low as  $\sim 5\%$ . **Constraints** from HERA.
  - **Future**: LHC jets,  $t\bar{t}$  (differential),  $Z p_{\perp}$ , isolated photon...
- High  $x$ :  
 $\gtrsim 0.1$ 
  - **Currently** uncertainties  $\uparrow$  as  $x \uparrow$ . **Constraints** from Tevatron jets, fixed target DIS, LHC  $t\bar{t}$ , sum rule.
  - **Future**: LHC jets,  $t\bar{t}$  (differential),  $Z p_{\perp}$ , isolated photon...



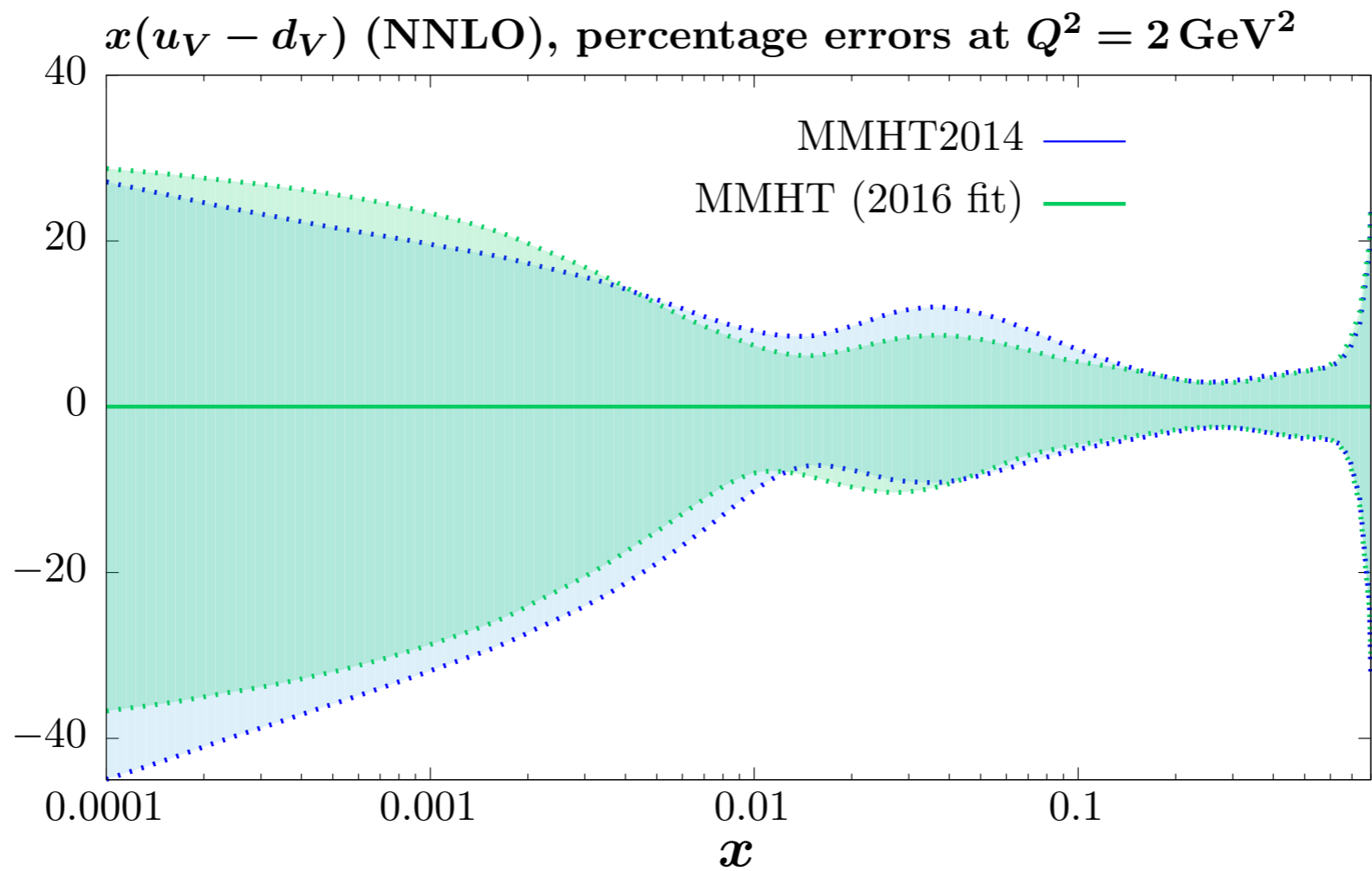
Up quark: similar picture

- Low  $x$  :  
 $\lesssim 10^{-3}$ 
  - ▶ **Uncertainties**  $\sim 10\%$ . **Constraint** from HERA.
  
- Mid  $x$ :  
 $10^{-3} \lesssim x \lesssim 10^{-1}$ 
  - ▶ **Uncertainties** low as  $\sim 5\%$ . **Constraints** from HERA, LHC DY.
  
- High  $x$ :  
 $\gtrsim 0.1$ 
  - ▶ **Currently** uncertainties  $\sim 5\%$  until  $x \sim 0.4$ . **Constraints** from HERA, fixed (deuterium) target, LHC  $W$ ,  $Z$ .



Up anti-quark: similar picture

- Low  $x$  :  
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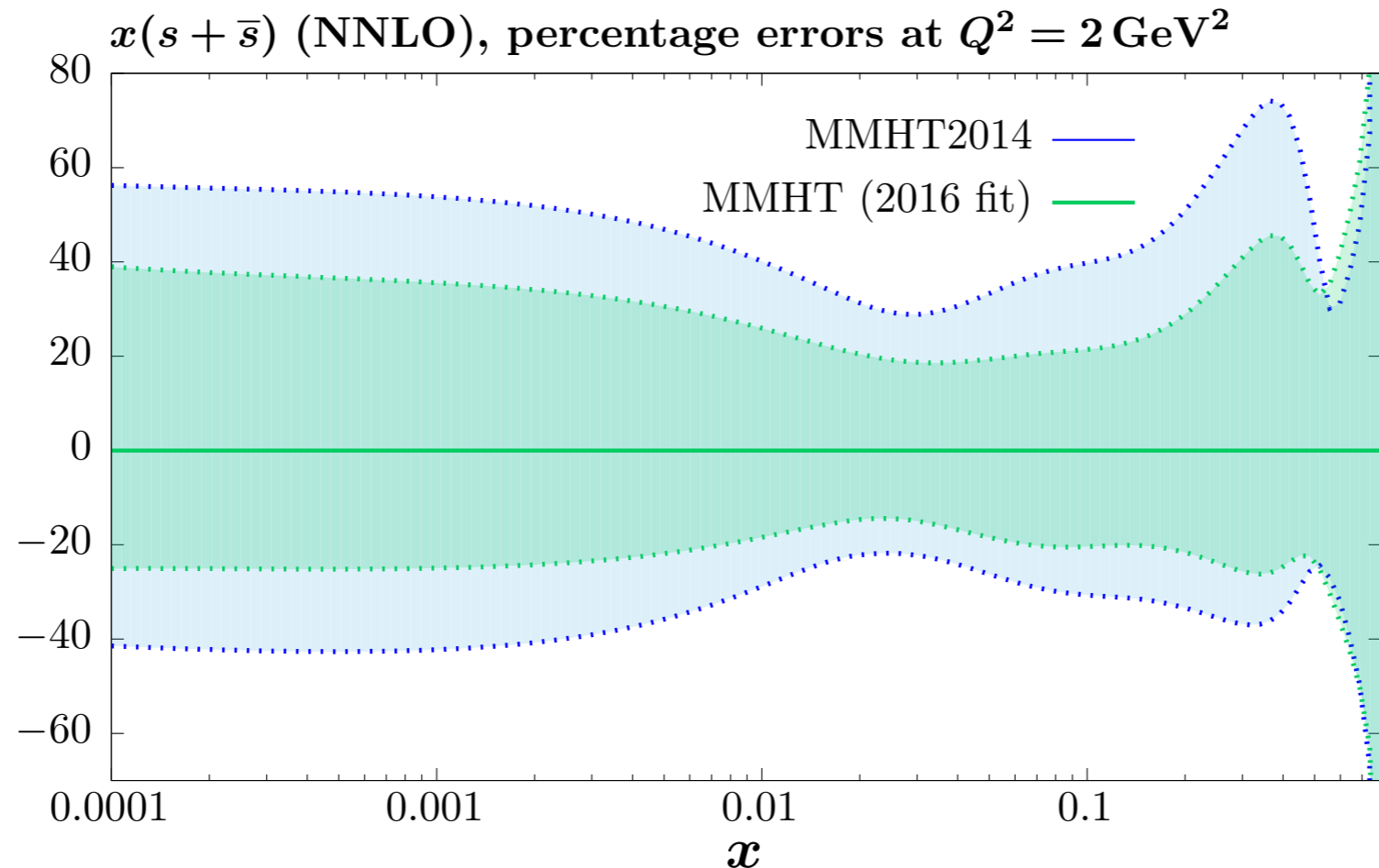
▶ **Uncertainties**  $\sim 30 - 40\%$ . **Constraint** largely from number sum rule.

- Mid  $x$ :  
 $10^{-3} \lesssim x \lesssim 10^{-1}$

▶ **Uncertainties**  $\sim 5 - 30\%$ . **Constraints** from LHC  $W$  asymmetry.

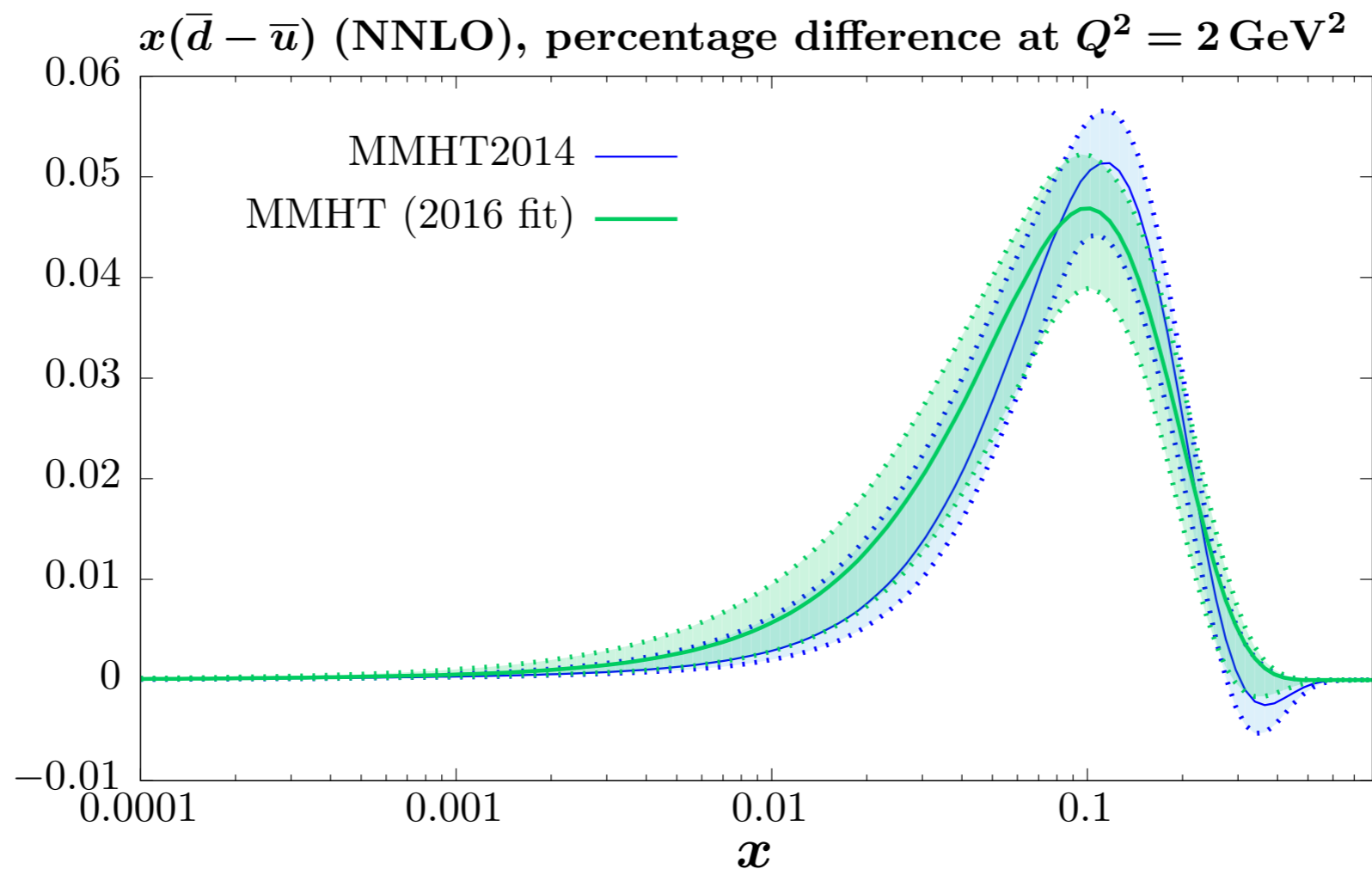
- High  $x$ :  
 $\gtrsim 0.1$

▶ **Currently** uncertainties  $\sim 5\%$  until  $x \sim 0.7$ . **Constraints** from Tevatron/LHC  $W$  asymmetry, fixed target, neutrino DIS.



- Low  $x$  :  
 $\lesssim 10^{-3}$ 
  - ▶ **Uncertainties**  $\sim 30 - 40\%$ . **Constraints** from HERA and  $\bar{s} \sim \bar{u}, \bar{d}$  assumption.
  - ▶ **Future**: LHC low mass DY.
  
- Mid, High  $x$ :  
 $10^{-3} \lesssim x \lesssim 10^{-1}$   
 $\gtrsim 0.1$ 
  - ▶ **Uncertainties**  $\sim 30 - 40\%$  . **Constraints** from neutrino beam charm production, LHC  $W + c$  and  $W, Z$  .
  - ▶ **Future**: LHC  $W + c$  and  $W, Z$  .





- Mid, High  $x$ :  $10^{-3} \lesssim x \lesssim 10^{-1}$   
  - ▶ **Uncertainties**  $\sim 10\%$  . **Constraints** from fixed target DY, Tevatron and LHC  $W, Z$  .  
 $\gtrsim 0.1$
- Low  $x$  :  $\lesssim 10^{-3}$   
  - ▶ **Uncertainties** driven to large extent by parameterisation constraints (Regge behaviour).
- Recent work on more adaptive parameterisation show qualitatively similar results. Potential for more realistic uncertainties as  $x \downarrow$ , but no big changes found.

PDFs: moments

# MMHT: moments (1)

- Common observable:  $\langle x^n \rangle_f(\mu^2) = \int dx f(x, \mu^2) \cdot x^n$

in particular isovector momentum fraction  $\langle x \rangle_{u-d}$ . What do we find?

$\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}$	MSTW08	MMHT14	MMHT (2016)	$\langle x \rangle$
$\langle x \rangle_{u-d}$	$0.1533^{+2.9\%}_{-2.1\%}$	$0.1509^{+3.5\%}_{-2.6\%}$	$0.1522^{+3.4\%}_{-2.7\%}$	0.1

- The average  $x$  contributing to this moment is  $\sim 0.1$ :  $\langle x \rangle_{u-d} \sim \langle x \rangle_{u_V - d_V}$
- Uncertainties fairly stable. Some increase from MSTW, due to more flexible  $u_V - d_V$  parameterisation.
- Earlier constraints from fixed (p/d) target data and neutrino DIS on nuclear targets. But increasingly collider data places constraint -  $W$  asymmetry at Tevatron/LHC sensitive to flavour decomposition.

# MMHT: moments (2)

- For higher  $u - d$  moments and gluon momentum fraction:

$\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}$	MSTW08	MMHT14	MMHT (2016)	$\langle x \rangle$
$\langle x^2 \rangle_{u-d}$	$0.0534^{+3.2\%}_{-2.2\%}$	$0.0510^{+3.7\%}_{-2.9\%}$	$0.0517^{+3.7\%}_{-2.9\%}$	0.4
$\langle x^3 \rangle_{u-d}$	$0.0229^{+3.2\%}_{-2.7\%}$	$0.0215^{+4.2\%}_{-3.5\%}$	$0.0219^{+4.2\%}_{-3.5\%}$	0.5
$\langle x \rangle_g$	$0.4192^{+2.4\%}_{-2.0\%}$	$0.4116^{+2.0\%}_{-2.5\%}$	$0.4130^{+2.4\%}_{-2.2\%}$	0.1

find similar level of precision.

- $u - d$  : slightly larger than first moment due to higher  $x$  probed.
- Gluon: LHC data (jets,  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $Z p_\perp$ , isolated photon) will play increasing role in constraining this region of  $x$ .

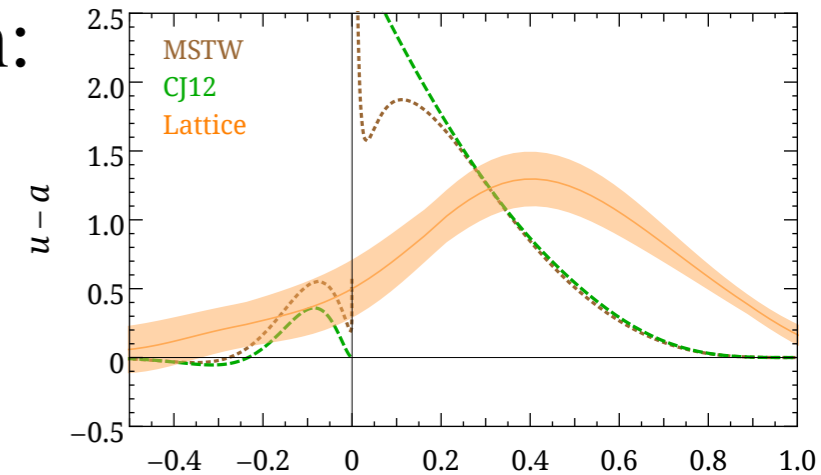
# Gottfried Sum Rule Violation

see Jiunn-Wei Chen's talk

- More recent efforts to reconstruct the  $u - d$ ,  $\bar{u} - \bar{d}$  PDFs directly.

Potential observable - Gottfried Sum rule Violation:

$$\langle x^0 \rangle_{\bar{d}-\bar{u}} = \int dx (\bar{d} - \bar{u}) \neq 0$$



$\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}$	MSTW08	MMHT14	MMHT (2016)	$\langle x \rangle^x$
$\langle x^0 \rangle_{\bar{d}-\bar{u}}$	$0.080^{+15\%}_{-12\%}$	$0.084^{+20\%}_{-13\%}$	$0.094^{+16\%}_{-20\%}$	0.05


- Uncertainties larger. Result from [arXiv:1402.1462](https://arxiv.org/abs/1402.1462):  $0.14 \pm 0.5$  in agreement, but on the high side.
- Earlier constraints from fixed p/d target Drell-Yan and DIS. More recently LHC  $W$ ,  $Z$  playing increasing role.
- Aside: behaviour as  $x \rightarrow 0$  ?

High precision data: an example

# ATLAS $W, Z$ data


- Recently ATLAS have released the final 7 TeV data on  $W, Z$  production, over range of  $m_{ll}, y_{ll}, \eta_l$ . For some kinematics, precision well below % level.
- They find potentially sizeable impact on PDFs, which in general struggle to describe data.

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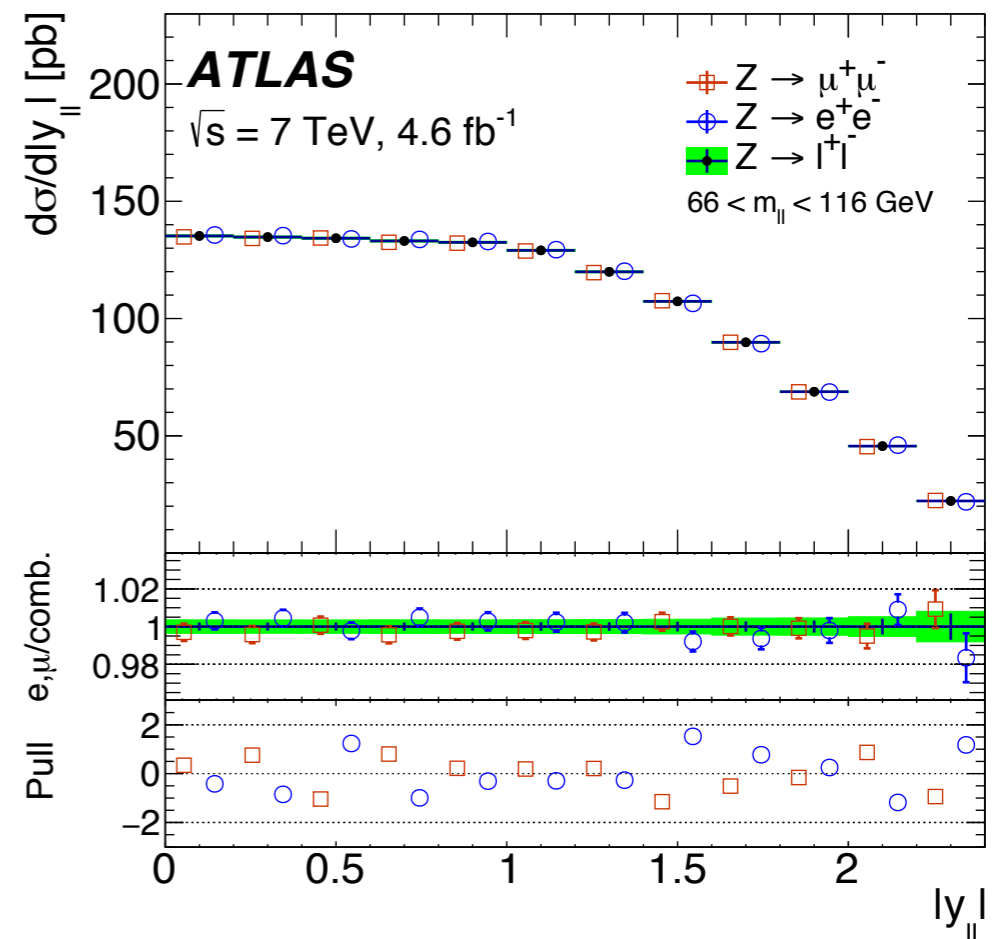
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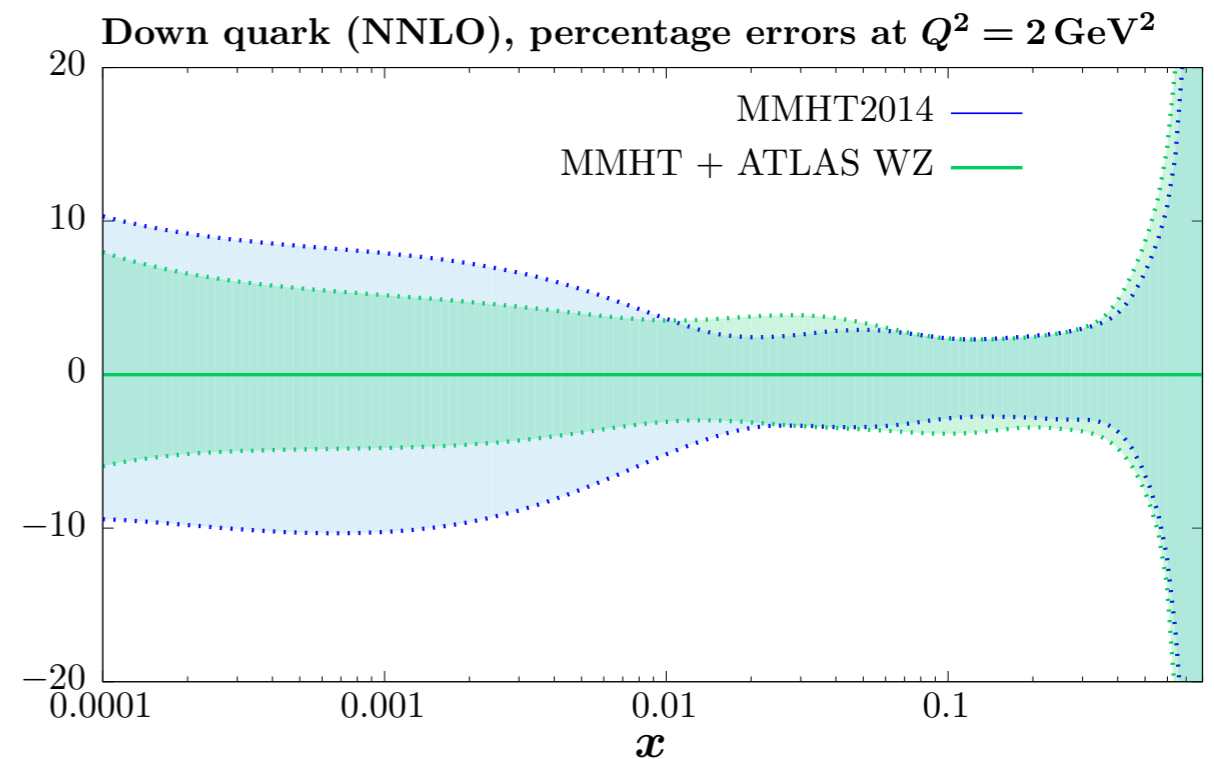
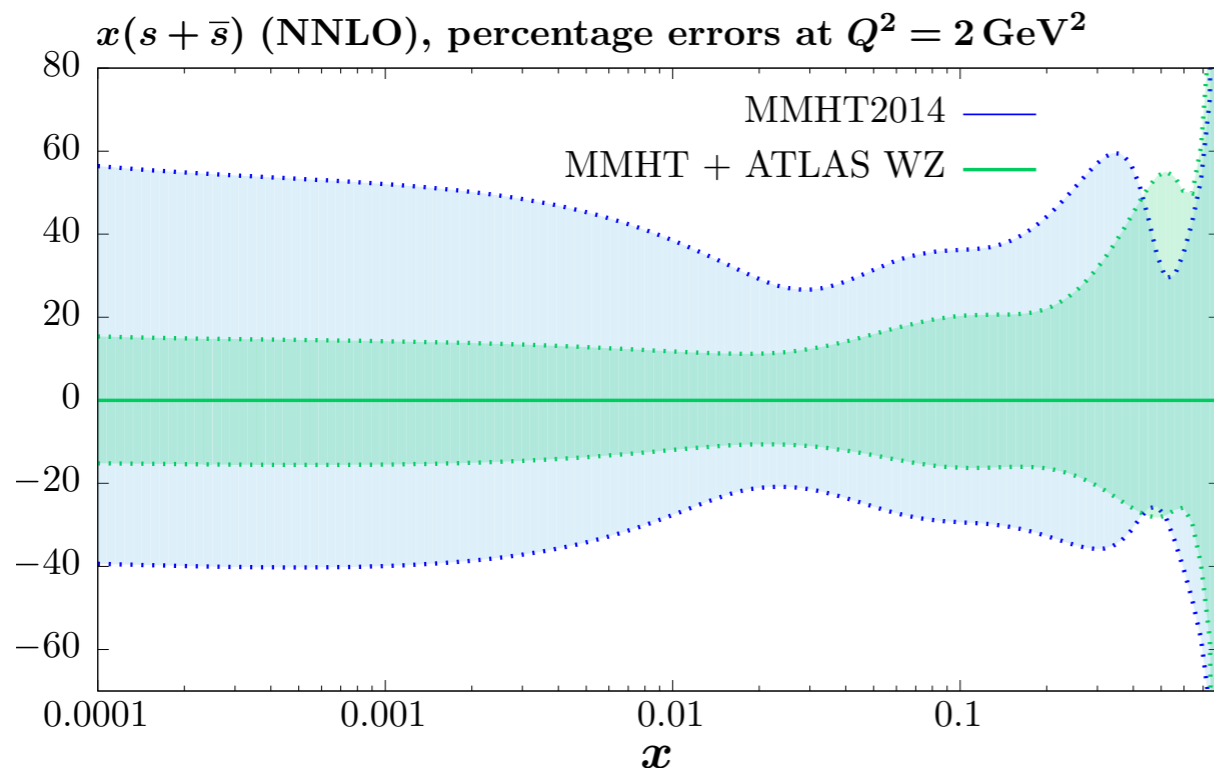
**Precision measurement and interpretation of inclusive  $W^+, W^-$  and  $Z/\gamma^*$  production cross sections with the ATLAS detector**

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# First comparison

- Including this data in fit, we find impressive improvements in PDFs...



→ High precision PDF determination. **However**, not without issues.

- Comparison to ATLAS data with baseline MMHT PDF very poor indeed-  $\chi^2/N_{\text{pts.}} = 400/61$ . Improves after fitting, but only to still fairly poor  $130/61$ .
- Raises questions about e.g. theoretical uncertainties in fixed-order fit (choice of  $\mu_R, \mu_F$ ?) at this level of precision. Additional handles helpful.



# Outlook

- MMHT PDFs: result of global fit range of data types.
- MMHT14 last public release. Impact of later HERA and LHC data studied. New fit to come in intermediate future.
- PDF uncertainties low as  $O(5 - 10\%)$ , but vary greatly between partons and with  $x$  (can be larger!) . Much room for improvement in e.g. strange,  $u_V - d_V$ , gluon at low/high  $x$  .
- Moments:
  - Isovector  $u - d$  momentum fraction (and higher moments) known to few %.
  - Gluon momentum fraction known to  $\sim 2\%$ . Expect improvements with more LHC (jet,  $t\bar{t}$  ...) data.
  - Gottfried sum rule violation known to  $\sim 20\%$ . Input from lattice?
- LHC impressive source of high precision PDF constraints, but not issue-free. Input from lattice?