

# Fitting (Quarkonium) (Collinear) Fragmentation Functions

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Quarkonia as tools

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# Light-hadron FFs

- The **hadronisation** process has an intrinsically **non-perturbative** component:
- **pQCD** is thus only *partially* applicable.
- In the case of **light-hadron** production (pions, kaons, etc.), **leading-power** (LP) factorisation is typically **sufficient**:

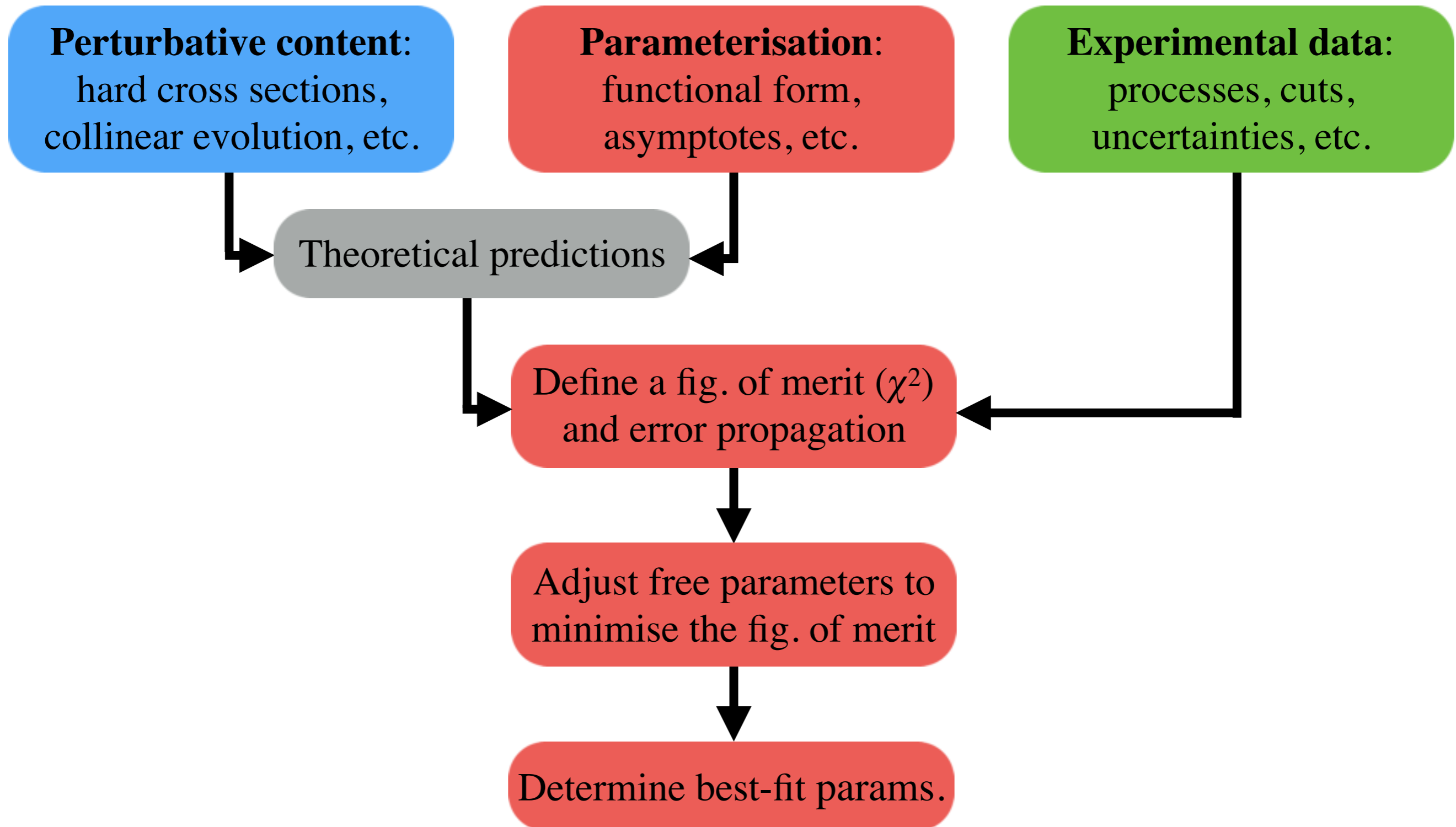
$$\frac{d\sigma_{AB \rightarrow L}}{dp_T} = \sum_f \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{AB \rightarrow f}}{dp_T} \otimes D_{f \rightarrow L} + \mathcal{O}(p_T^{-2})$$

- along with DGLAP equations for the collinear **evolution**:

$$\frac{dD_{i \rightarrow L}}{d \ln \mu^2} = \sum_j P_{ij} \otimes D_{j \rightarrow L}$$

- $P_{ij}$  and  $\sigma_{AB \rightarrow f}$  are **calculable in pQCD**.
- $D_{i \rightarrow L}$  **universal** but **non-perturbative**:
- typically determined from **fits to data**.

# The general fitting strategy



# Fit methodologies

*Parameterisation: the “standard” approach*

- Distributions are parametrised by means of the function form:

$$f_i(x) = A_i x^{\alpha_i} (1 - x)^{\beta_i} P_i(x)$$

with:

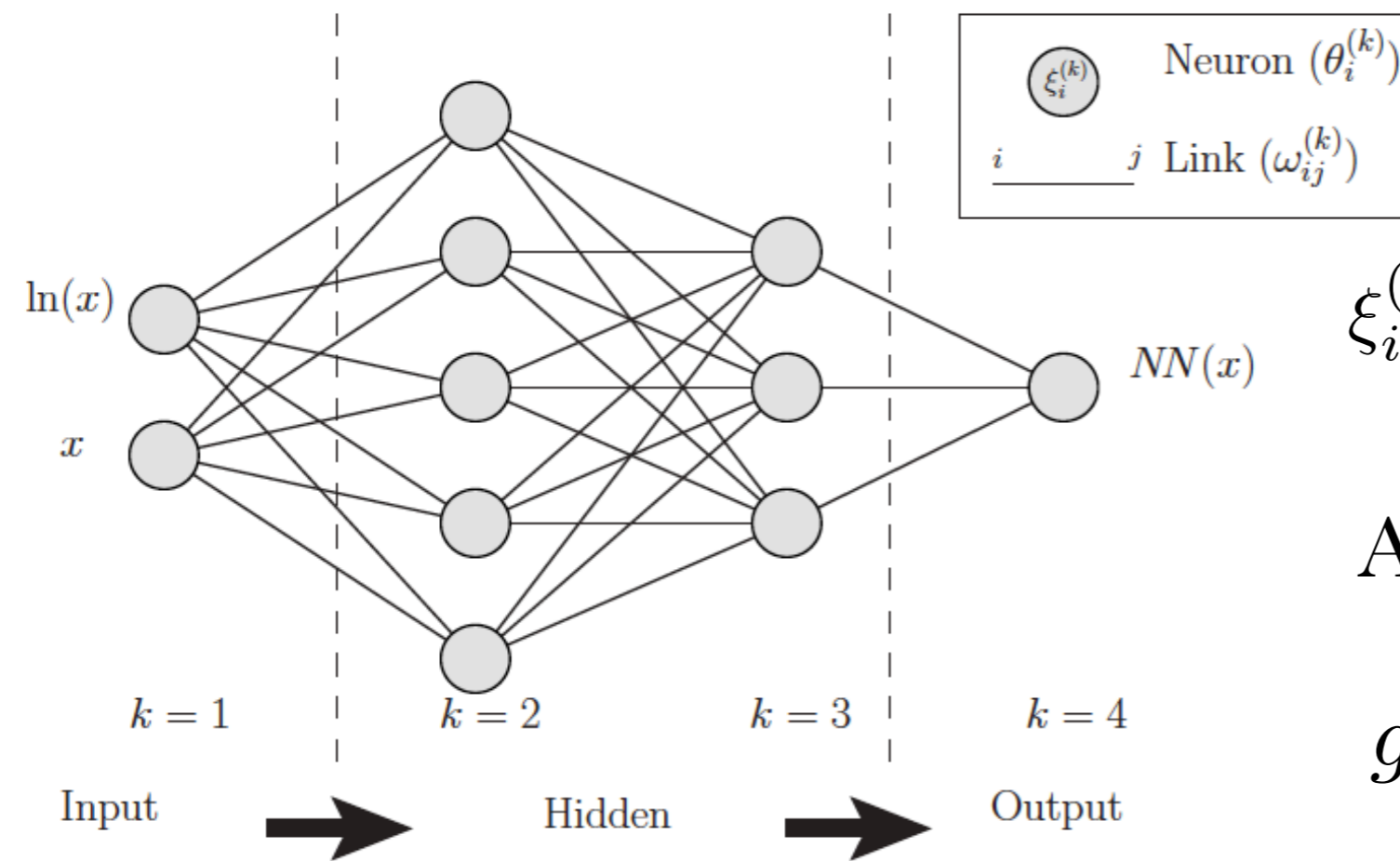
$$P_i(x) = \begin{cases} 1 \\ 1 + \gamma_i x \\ 1 + \gamma_i x + \delta_i \sqrt{x} \\ \dots \end{cases}$$

- **O(3-5) free parameters** for each distribution.
- **Asymptotic behaviour** defined by the exponents  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_i$ .
- Easy to transform analytically in **Mellin space**.
- **Easy to handle** in a fit thanks to its simplicity.
- Potential **source of bias**.

# Fit methodologies

## *Parameterisation: neural networks*

- Distributions are parametrised in terms of NNs with arch. (2-5-3-1):



$$\xi_i^{(j)} = g \left( \sum_k^{(\text{j-1})\text{th layer}} \xi_k^{(j-1)} \omega_{ki}^{(j)} - \theta_i^{(j)} \right)$$

Activation function:

$$g(x) = \text{sign}(x) \ln(|x| + 1)$$

- Each NN has **37 free** parameters each.
- Distributions are expressed as  $f_i(x) = \text{NN}_i(x) - \text{NN}_i(1)$ 
  - The  $\text{NN}_i(1)$  term ensures that  $f_i(x) \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 1} 0$
- NNs are **flexible** and thus limit biases but are **harder to handle**.

# Fit methodologies

## *Error propagation*

- A faithful determination implies an estimate of the **uncertainty** on FFs/PDFs propagating from the **experimental** dataset.

1. **Hessian** method: the  $\chi^2$  is **expanded** around its minimum  $\mathbf{a}_0$ :

$$\chi^2(\{\mathbf{a}\}) \simeq \chi^2(\{\mathbf{a}_0\}) + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial a_i \partial a_j} \Big|_{\mathbf{a}_0}}_{H_{ij}} (a_i - a_{0i})(a_j - a_{0j})$$

The Hessian matrix  $H_{ij}$  is **diagonalised** and an uncertainty along each eigenvector is defined as  $\Delta\chi^2 = 1$  (sometimes a **tolerance** is introduced).

2. **Monte Carlo** sampling: artificial **replicas** of the dataset generated as:

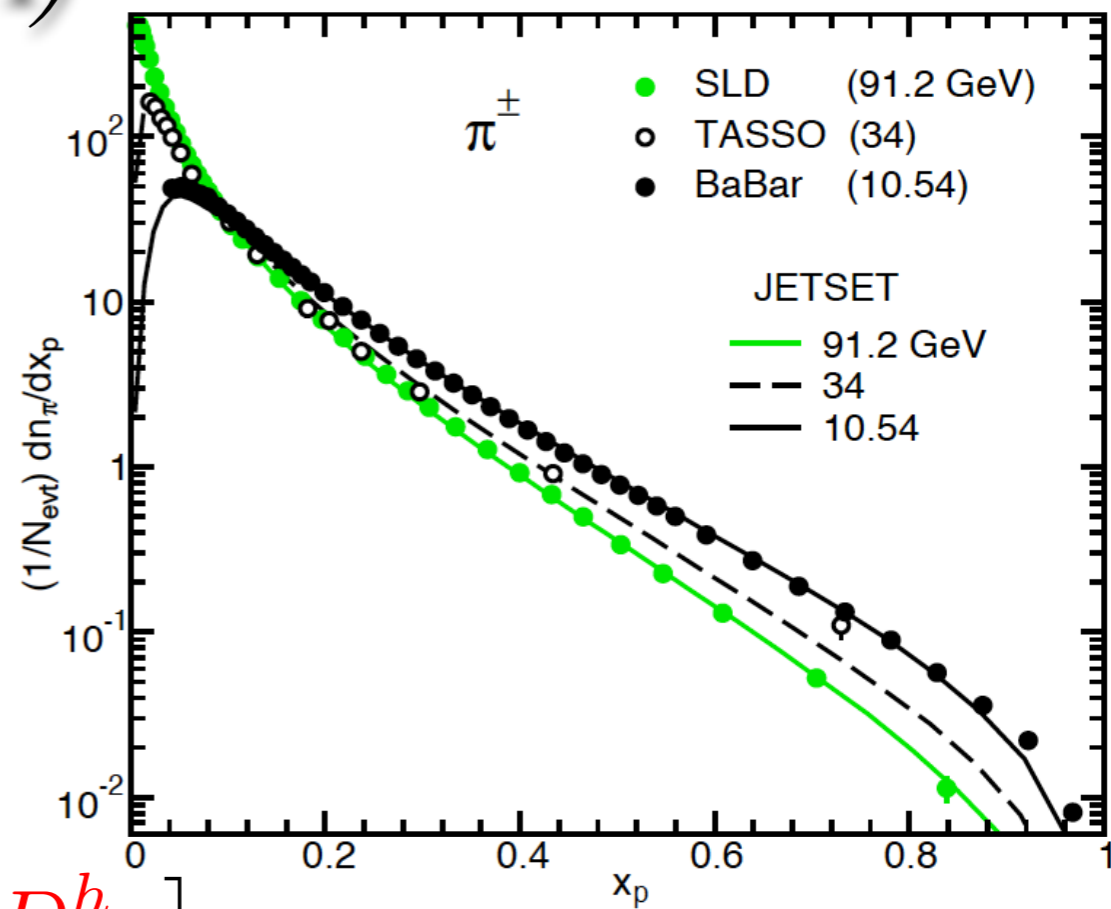
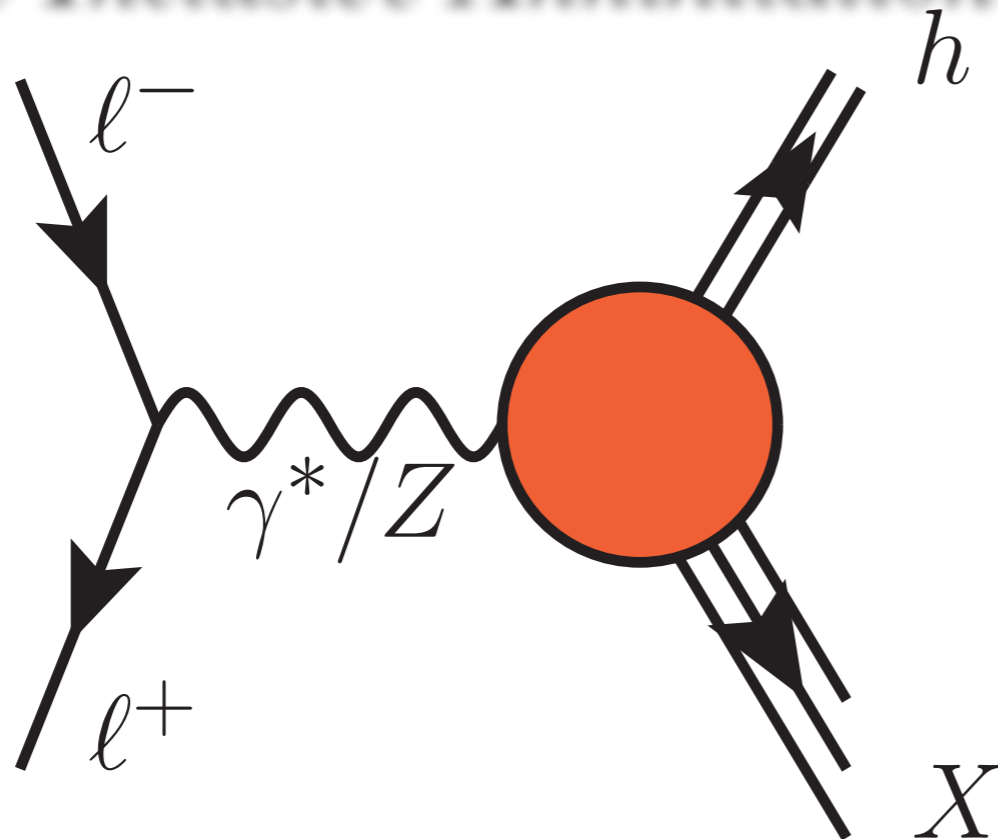
$$D_i^{(k)} = D_i + r_i^{(k)} \sigma_i, \quad \begin{array}{l} k = 1, \dots, N_{\text{rep}} \\ i = 1, \dots, N_{\text{dat}} \end{array}$$

$r_i^{(k)}$  is a *normally distributed* and *univariate* random number. A fit is performed to each replica to produce  $N_{\text{rep}}$  sets of distributions  $\{f_k\}$ , such that:

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{1}{N_{\text{rep}}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{rep}}} \mathcal{O}[f_k] \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma_{\mathcal{O}} = \sqrt{\langle \mathcal{O}^2 \rangle - \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle^2}$$

# Experimental data

*Single Inclusive Annihilation (SIA)*



$$\frac{d\sigma^h}{dz} = \hat{\sigma}_0^h \left[ C_q \otimes D_{\Sigma}^h + C_g \otimes D_g^h + C_{\text{NS}} \otimes D_{\text{NS}}^h \right]$$

- ✓ **Clean** channel: only FFs involved,
- ✓ **higher-order** corrections to NNLO,
- ✓ **precise data** available (BELLE/BABAR).
- ✗ **No flavour separation,**
  - ✓ tagged data for heavy-quark FFs.
- ✗ gluon distribution **suppressed** by  $\alpha_s$ .

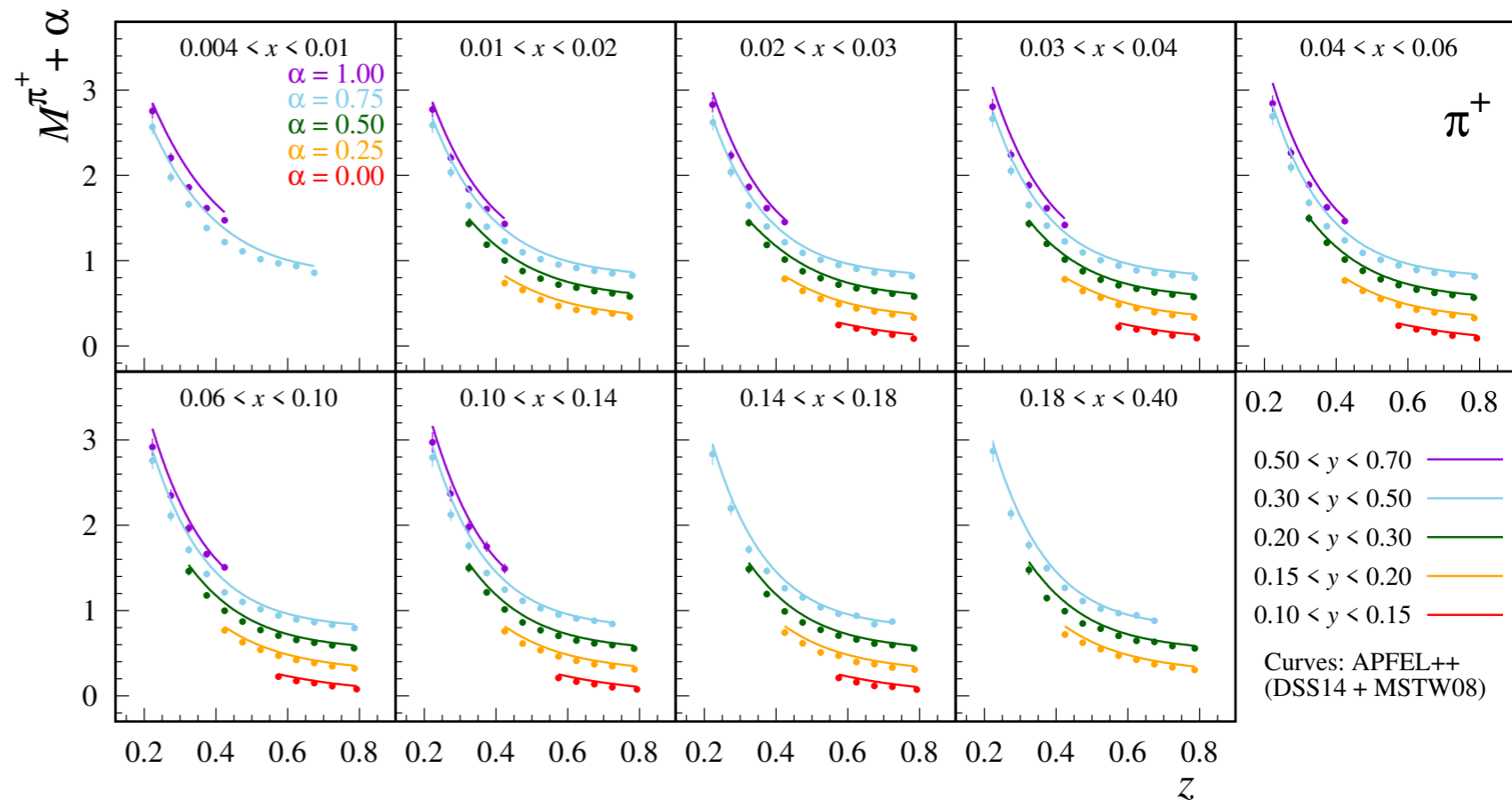
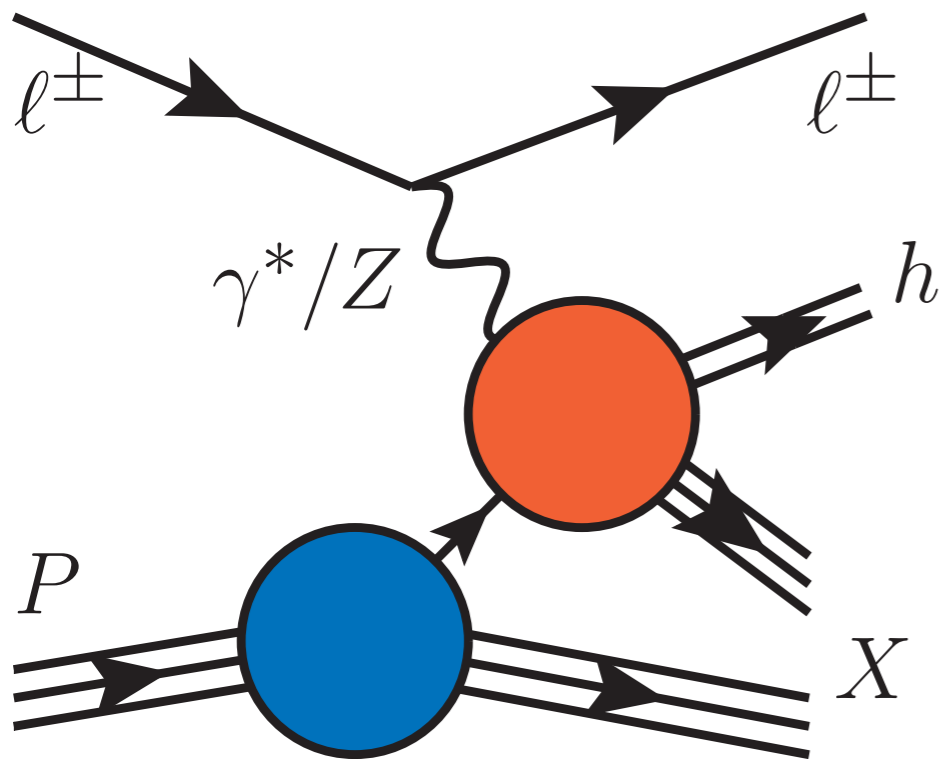
$$D_{\Sigma}^h = \sum_q (D_q^h + D_{\bar{q}}^h) = \sum_q D_{q^+}^h$$

$$D_{\text{NS}}^h = \sum_q \left( \frac{\hat{e}_q^2}{\langle \hat{e}_q^2 \rangle} - 1 \right) D_{q^+}^h$$

$$C_q, C_{\text{NS}} \propto \mathcal{O}(1) \quad \text{while} \quad C_g \propto \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$$

# Experimental data

## Semi Inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering (SIDIS)



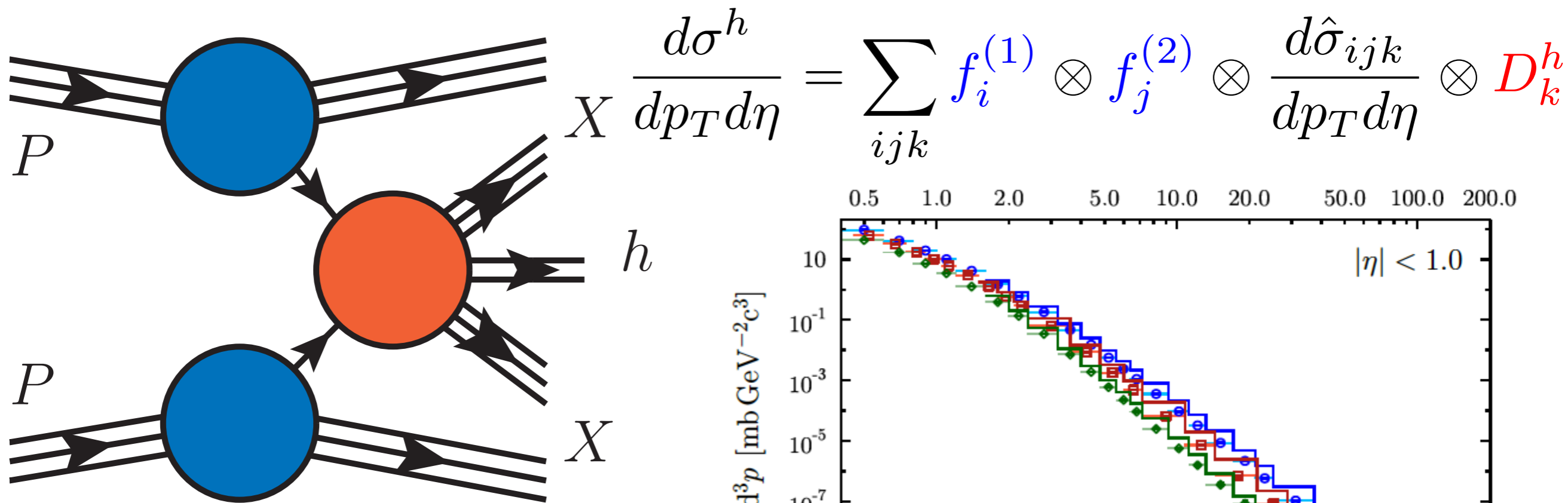
$$\frac{d\sigma^h}{dx dy dz} = \hat{\sigma}_0^h \sum_{q, \bar{q}} e_q^2 \left[ f_q \otimes C_{qq} \otimes D_q^h + f_g \otimes C_{gq} \otimes D_q^h + f_q \otimes C_{qg} \otimes D_g^h \right]$$

- handle on **flavour separation**,
- precise data** available (HERMES/COMPASS).
- Involves both **FFs** and **PDFs**,
- Fully known so far up to  $O(\alpha_s)$ , *i.e.* NLO.

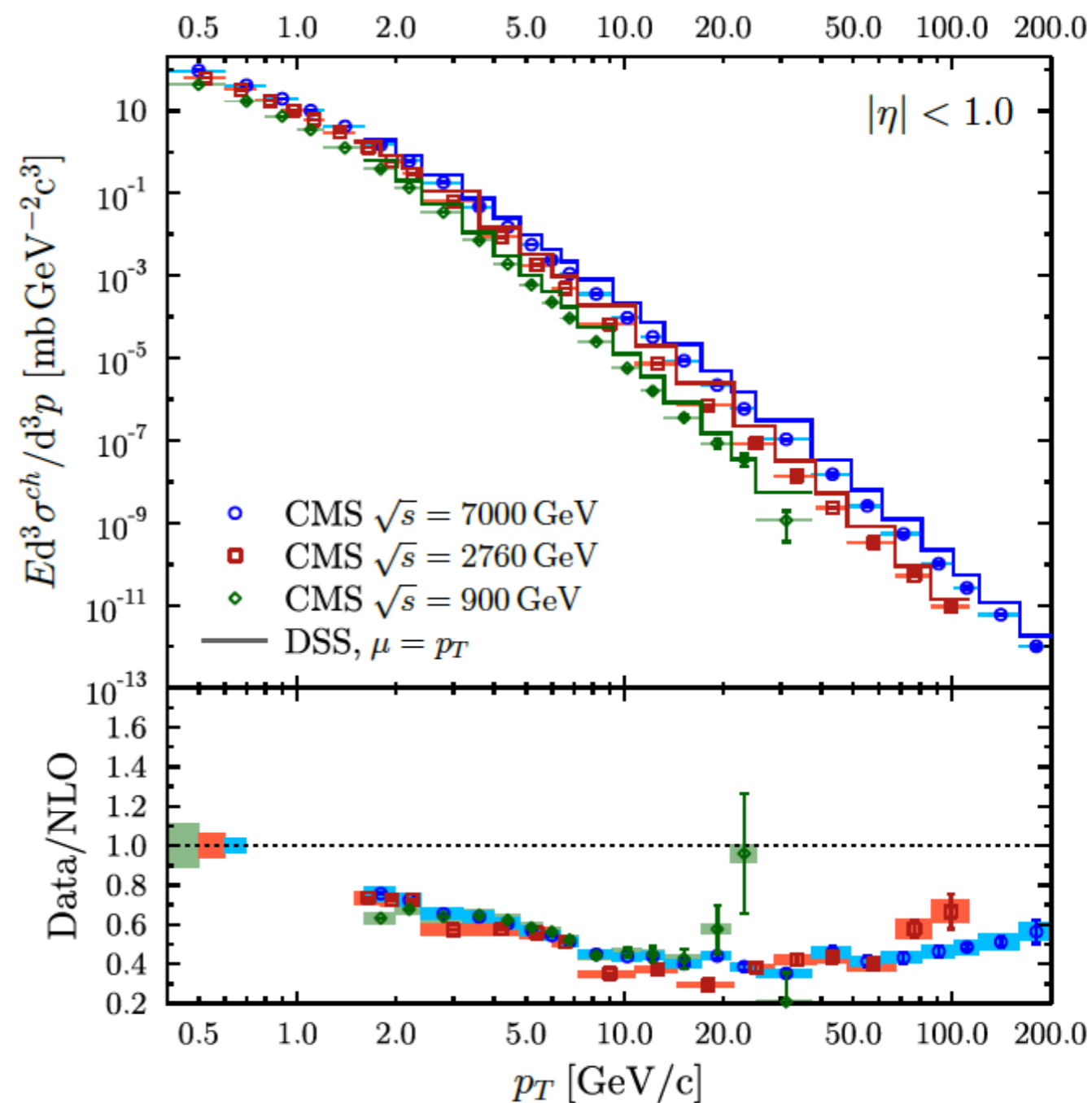


# Experimental data

*Hadroproduction in proton-proton collisions (pp)*



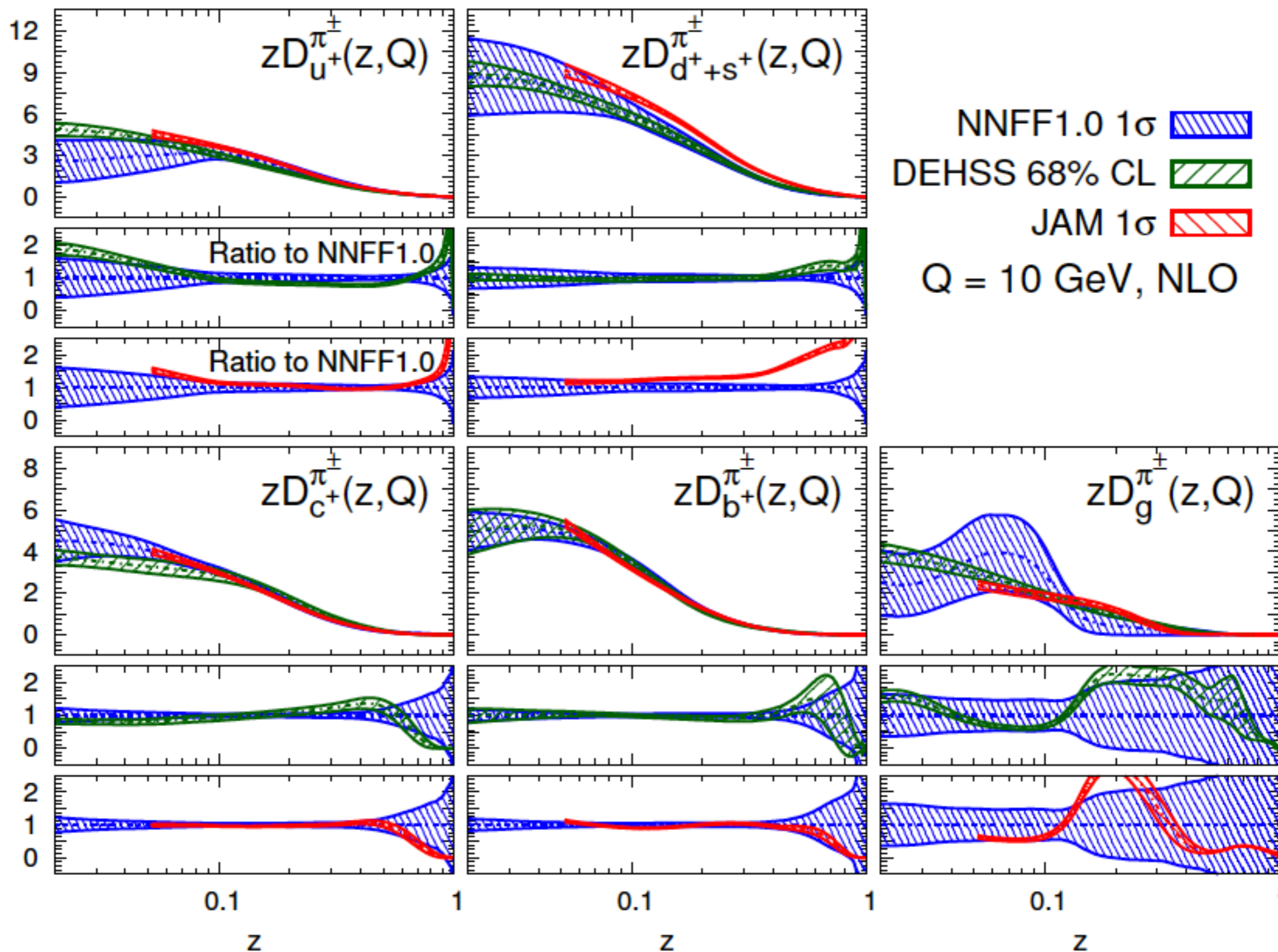
$$X \frac{d\sigma^h}{dp_T d\eta} = \sum_{ijk} f_i^{(1)} \otimes f_j^{(2)} \otimes \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{ijk}}{dp_T d\eta} \otimes D_k^h$$



- Direct sensitivity to the **gluon FF**,
- Scale scan** ( $\mu_F \propto p_T$ ),
- Precise data from LHC/Tevatron
- Involves both **FFs** and **PDFs**,
- Known so far up to NLO,
- large scale variations at low  $p_T$ ,
- cumbersome to compute.

# Light-hadron FFs

- Many determinations of light-hadron FFs on the market:



# Quarkonium FFs

- In the case of **quarkonium** production, **leading-power** (LP) factorisation is often **insufficient**:
- **next-to-leading-power** (NLP) corrections may be significant.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma_{AB \rightarrow H}}{dp_T} &= \sum_f \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{AB \rightarrow f}}{dp_T} \otimes D_{f \rightarrow H} \\ &+ \sum_{[Q\bar{Q}]} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{AB \rightarrow [Q\bar{Q}]}}{dp_T} \otimes^3 D_{[Q\bar{Q}] \rightarrow H} \\ &+ \mathcal{O}(p_T^{-4}) \end{aligned}$$

- A **new set** of (NLP) distributions enters the computation:
  - in principle, they need to be parameterised and **fitted** to data,
  - **NRQCD** helps constrain these distributions

# Quarkonium FFs

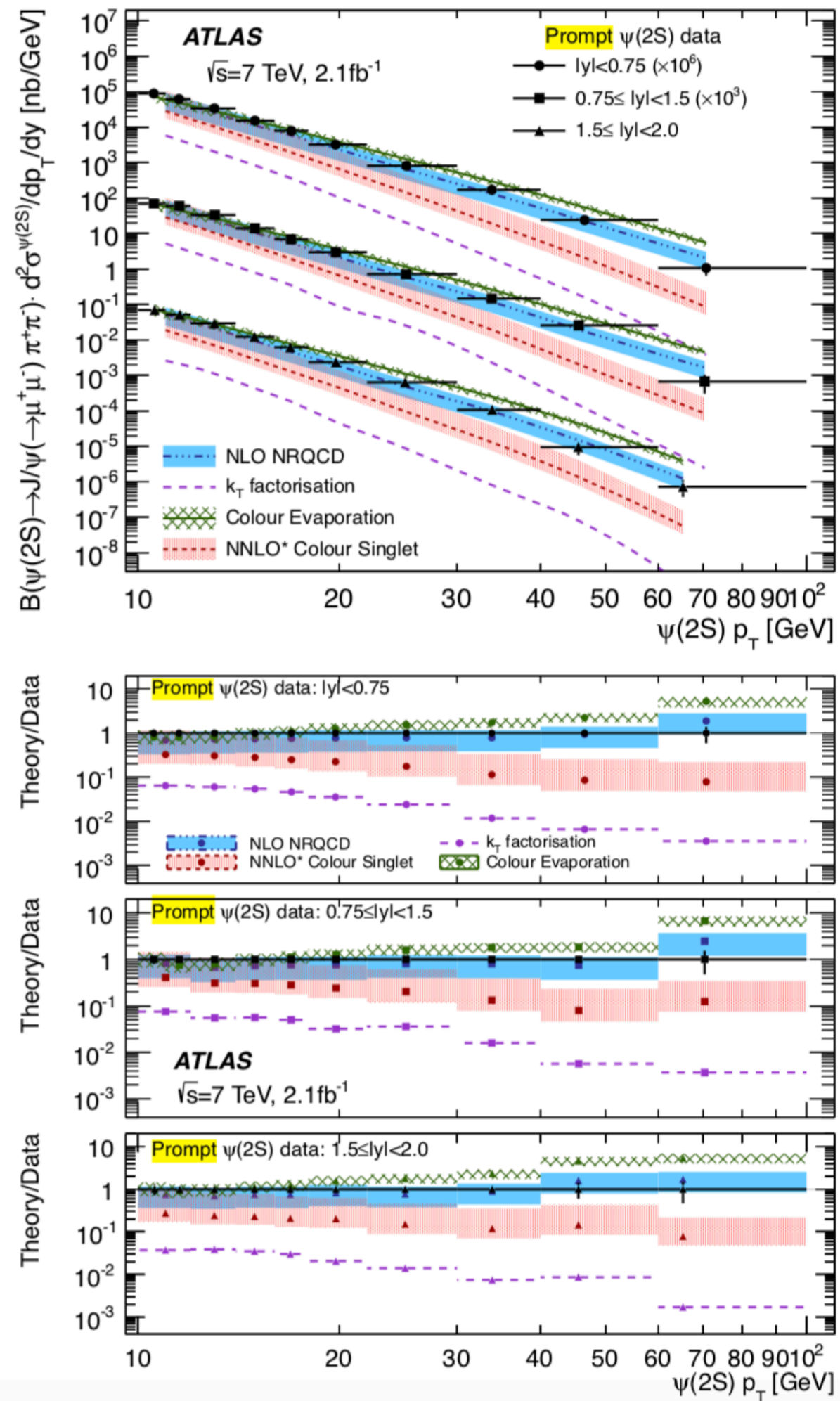
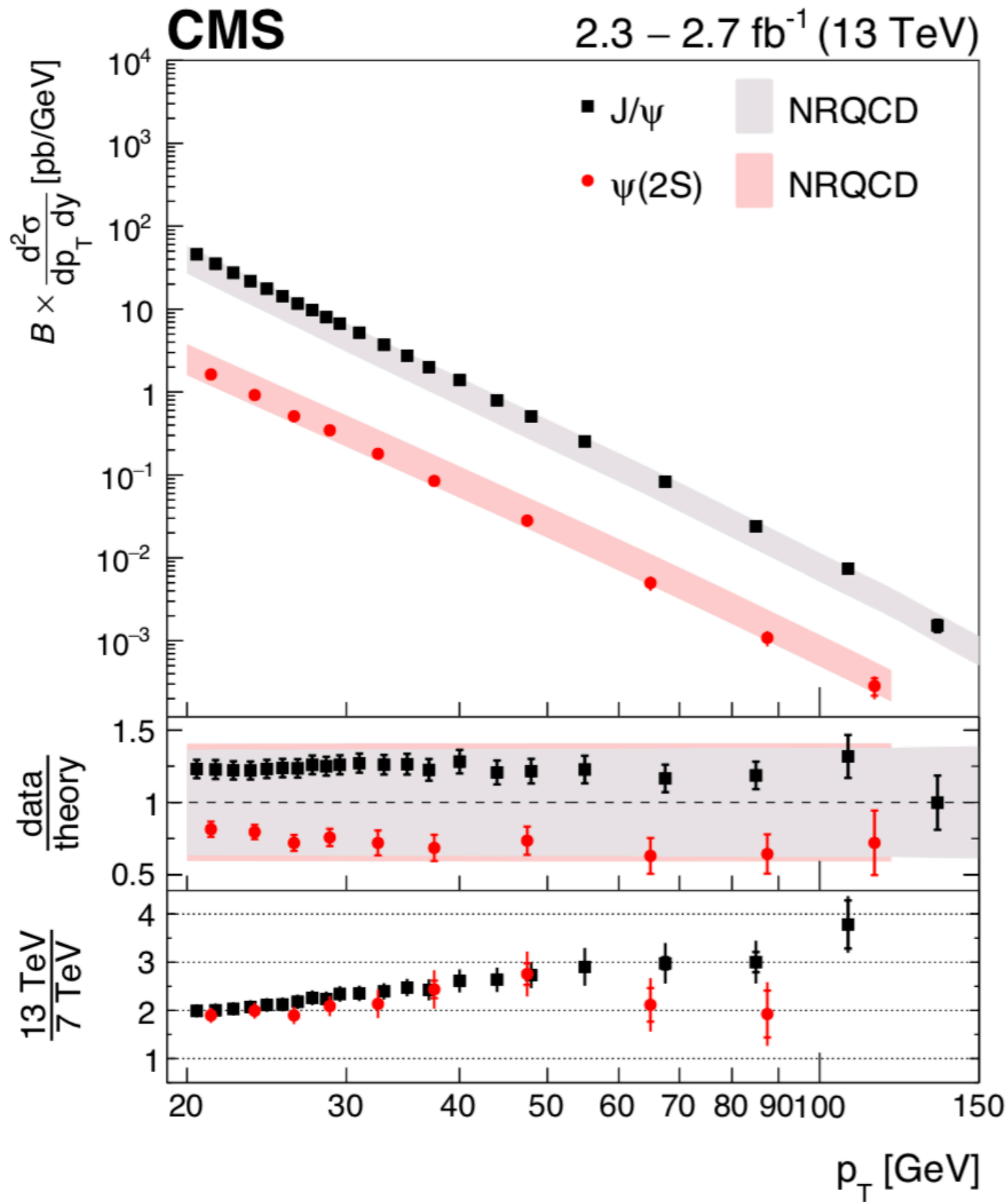
- The DGLAP evolution, including NLP corrections, are **more complicated** and **couple** LP and NLP FFs

$$\frac{dD_{i \rightarrow H}}{d \ln \mu^2} = \sum_j P_{ij} \otimes D_{j \rightarrow H} + \frac{1}{\mu^2} \sum_{[Q\bar{Q}]} P_{i \rightarrow [Q\bar{Q}]} \otimes^3 D_{[Q\bar{Q}] \rightarrow H}$$

$$\frac{dD_{[Q\bar{Q}] \rightarrow H}}{d \ln \mu^2} = \sum_{[Q\bar{Q}]'} P_{[Q\bar{Q}] \rightarrow [Q\bar{Q}]'} \otimes^3 D_{[Q\bar{Q}]' \rightarrow H}$$

- The **perturbative** components have been computed.
- However, an efficient solution of this set of equations is a **numerically challenging** task:
  - due to the **triple convolutions**.
- Significant **technological** effort required to achieve a fit of quarkonium FFs

# Quarkonium FFs



# Summary

- The technology to extract **light-hadron FFs** is **highly developed**:
  - mostly inherited from **PDFs**.
  - Perturbative quantities known to **high accuracy**.
  - refined treatment of the **uncertainties**.
  - A **wealth of data** currently available.
  - Based on **collinear leading-power** factorisation framework.
- The determination of **quarkonium FFs** may require including **next-to-leading power** corrections:
  - NLP corrections **complicate** the framework significantly.
  - **Not many perturbative corrections** currently known.
  - **NRQCD** helps determine part of the non-perturbative elements.