

NNPDF2.1

Unbiased PDFs with heavy quark mass effects

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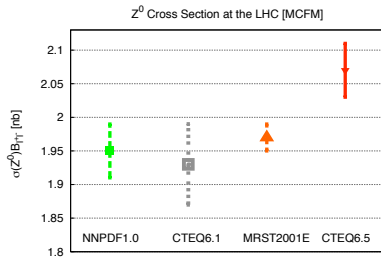
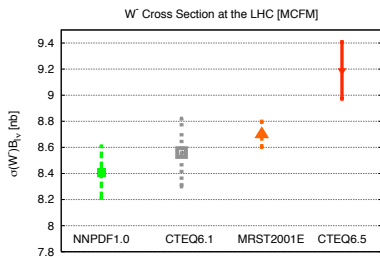
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- ▶ NNPDF2.1: unbiased PDFs with heavy quark mass effects
- ▶ Implications at the PDF - PDF4LHC benchmark study
- ▶ LO/LO* NNPDFs and the momentum of quarks and gluons

NNPDF2.1: UNBIASED PDFS WITH HQ MASS EFFECTS

Impact of HQ effects

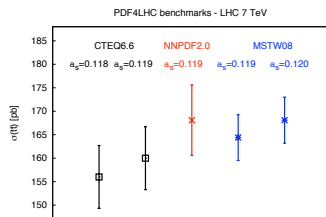
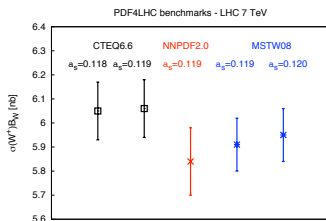
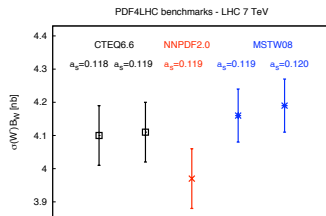
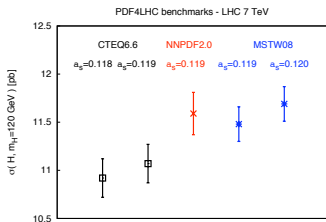
Heavy quark mass effects were a ~ 3 -sigma effect for CTEQ (2006)
 Huge effect - major impact on LHC physics



Note though that MRST2001E included heavy quark effects (TR)
 Are we sure HQ have a so dramatic impact?

Impact of HQ effects

... or effect not so huge? Compare PDF4LHC benchmark observables ...



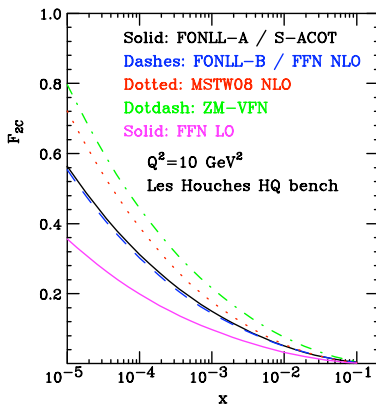
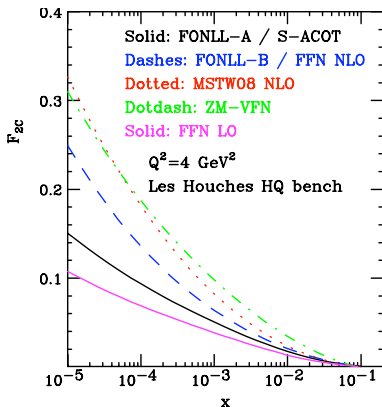
The FONLL GM scheme in NNPDF

- ▶ The FONLL General-Mass scheme ([arXiv:1001.2312](#)) has several advantages over other GM schemes, such as S-ACOT or TR/TR'
 1. It can be applied also in [general hadronic processes](#)
 2. It can be formulated at [any perturbative order](#)
 3. It allows the [combination of different perturbative orders](#) in the massless and massive computations
 4. It can be combined with various prescriptions for the [treatment of subleading mass-suppressed terms](#) near threshold, such as χ -scaling or damping factors.

(see [January PDF4LHC meeting, DIS talk](#))

- ▶ FONLL has now been implemented in the FastKernel framework, used in the NNPDF analysis
- ▶ This has required the [analytic computation](#) of the Mellin space HQ $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ NC and CC coefficient functions
- ▶ Accuracy benchmarked against the [Les Houches HQ tables](#) ([arXiv:1003.1241](#))

Les Houches benchmarks: F_2^C NLO schemes summary



- ▶ FONLL-A **formally identical** to S-ACOT if the same **threshold prescription adopted**
- ▶ Difference between FONLL-A and TR' without threshold prescriptions → Frozen, Q^2 -independent $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$ term in the latter

The Mellin space $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ NC HQ coefficient

The $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ NC massive coefficient function is

$$C_{g,h}^{(n_f),1}(z, \epsilon) = \theta(W^2 - 4m^2) \times T_R [(z^2 + (1-z)^2 + 4\epsilon z(1-3z) - 8\epsilon^2 z^2) \log \frac{1+v}{1-v} \\ + (8z(1-z) - 1 - 4\epsilon z(1-z))v] \\ \epsilon = m^2/Q^2, \quad v \equiv \sqrt{1 - 4m^2/W^2}, \quad a = (1 + 4\epsilon)^{-1}$$

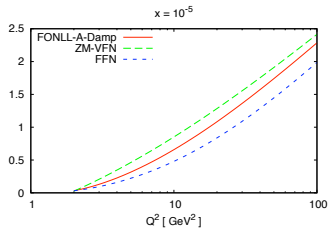
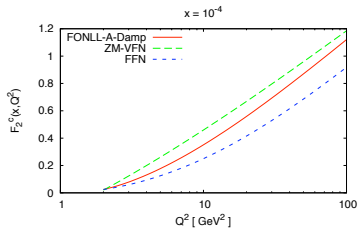
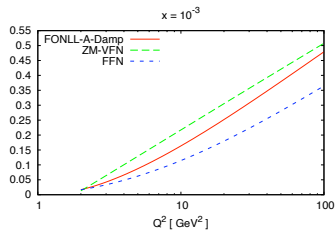
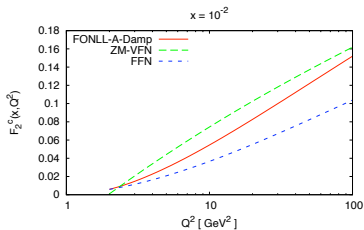
has the following Mellin space transform

$$C_g^{(n_f),1}(N, \epsilon) = T_R a^N \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{N} - 1 \right) I(N, a) + \left(\frac{1-3a}{N+1} + 9a \right) I(N+1, a) \right. \\ \left. - \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{1+4a-9a^2}{N+2} - (1+a)(1-9a) \right) I(N+2, a) - a(1-9a) I(N+3, a) \right\} \\ I(N, a) = \frac{\Gamma(N)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(N+\frac{1}{2})} F\left(\frac{1}{2}, N, N+\frac{1}{2}; a\right)$$

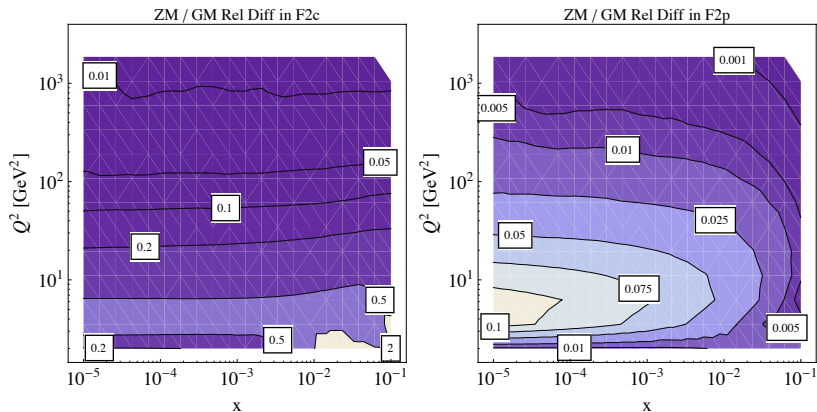
Similar (though longer) expressions for the **CC case**

FONLL-A GM-VFN vs. ZM-VFN

Smooth interpolation between massive FFN and ZM-VFN schemes



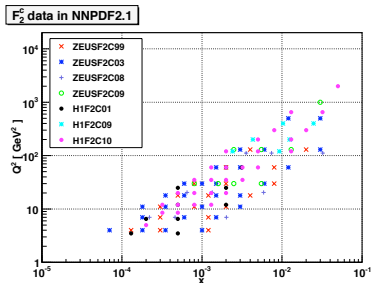
FONLL-A GM-VFN vs. ZM-VFN



- ▶ Effect of HQs → At most $\sim 10\%$ in HERA region on F_2^P
- ▶ Non-negligible effects also in Fixed Target region

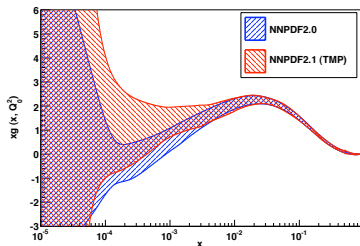
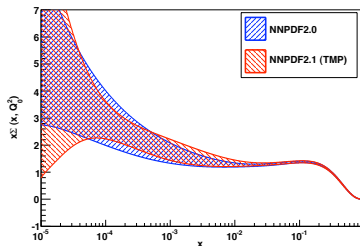
The NNPDF2.1 analysis

- ▶ **FONLL-A-Damp** as a General Mass scheme for NC and CC DIS observables
- ▶ Same dataset as NNPDF2.0 ([arXiv:1002.4407](https://arxiv.org/abs/1002.4407)), supplemented with **HERA F_2^c** data
- ▶ All results shown still **preliminary!**



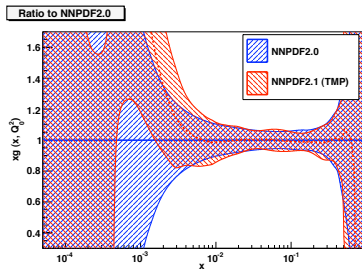
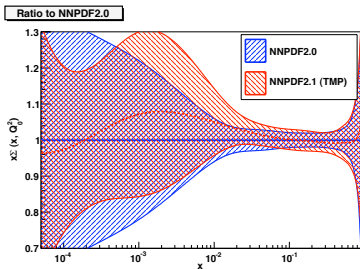
Experiment	Set	Ref.	Points	x_{\min}	x_{\max}	Q_{\min}^2	Q_{\max}^2
ZEUSF2C			69 (62)				
	ZEUSF2C99	[4]	21 (18)	$5 \cdot 10^{-5}$ ($1.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$)	0.02	1.8 (4)	130
	ZEUSF2C03	[5]	31 (27)	$3 \cdot 10^{-5}$ ($7 \cdot 10^{-5}$)	0.03	2.0 (4.0)	500
	ZEUSF2C08	[6]	9	$2.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.032	7.0	112
	ZEUSF2C09	[7]	8	$8 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.03	30	1000
H1F2C			47 (45)				
	H1F2C01	[8]	12 (10)	$5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$3.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1.5	60
	H1F2C09	[9]	6	$2.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.025	120	400
	H1F2C10	[10]	29	$2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.05	5.0	2000
Total			3554				

The NNPDF2.1 analysis - PDFs at $Q_0^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$



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- ▶ Harder small- x gluon partly from constraints of $F_2^c(x, Q^2)$ data

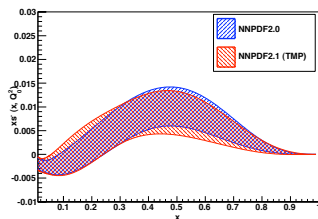
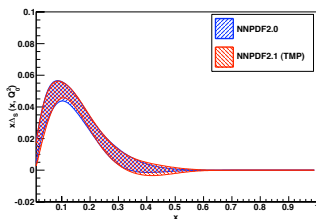
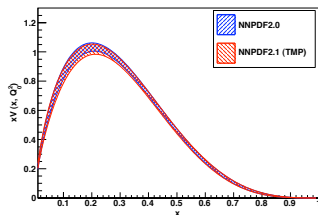
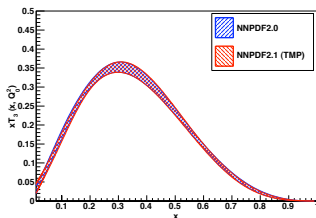
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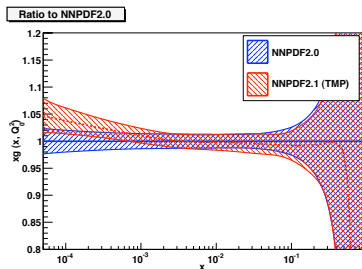
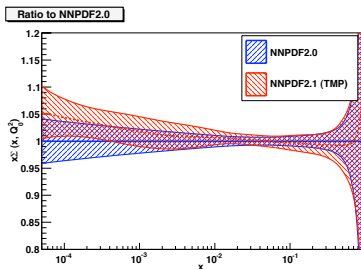
The NNPDF2.1 analysis - PDFs at $Q_0^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$

Large- x valence PDFs **consistently unaffected** by HQ effects



The NNPDF2.1 analysis - PDFs at $Q_0^2 = 10^4 \text{ GeV}^2$

Compare PDFs at the LHC scale \rightarrow Assess effects of **quark-gluon mixing in DGLAP evolution**



Note greatly **reduced small- x PDF uncertainties**

NNPDF2.0 and 2.1 always consistent within uncertainties

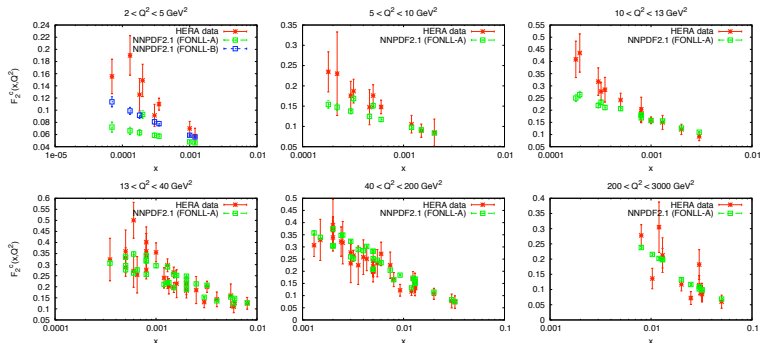
The NNPDF2.1 analysis - Dataset description (Prel.)

Experiment/Set	2.0	2.0 + GM	2.1
Total	1.20	1.23	1.21
NMC-pd	1.04	1.03	0.96
NMC	1.69	1.51	1.61
SLAC	1.30	1.31	1.31
BCDMS	1.30	1.19	1.21
HERA1-av	1.13	1.28	1.11
HERA1-NCep	1.32	1.56	1.29
HERA1-NCem	0.85	0.88	0.82
HERA1-CCep	0.97	0.97	0.96
HERA1-CCem	0.57	0.57	0.57
ZEUS-H2	1.24	1.27	1.23
ZEUSF2C	1.80	2.14	1.89
H1F2C	1.67	1.70	1.59
CHORUS	1.20	1.18	1.19
NTVDMN	0.70	0.71	0.71

- ▶ Overall fit quality almost **identical** between GM and ZM fits
- ▶ Quality of **FT DIS data** (NMC, BCDMS) improves in the GM fit as compared to ZM
- ▶ Quality of fit to HERA-I data **unaffected**
- ▶ Heavy quark effects are **absorbed into the PDFs** in the ZM fit of HERA1-NCep data
- ▶ Fit to F_2^C data not completely satisfactory (see after)

Impact of F_2^C data in NNPDF2.1

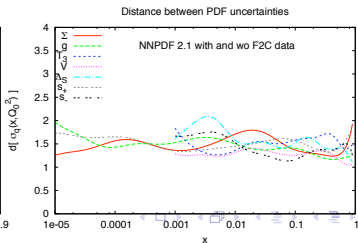
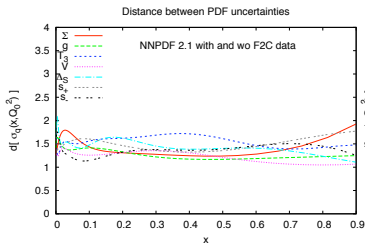
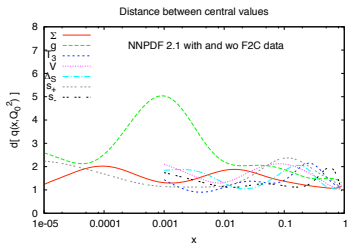
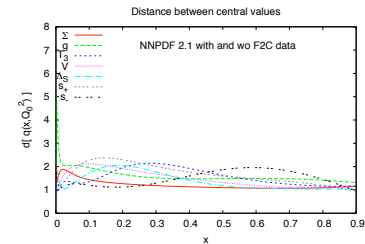
Good description of F_2^C data except at the smallest x and Q^2 bins
 FONLL-A does not account for large $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$ corrections to F_2^C in the FFNS



Update analysis with **Combined HERA F_2^C dataset** and with the **FONLL-B GM scheme**

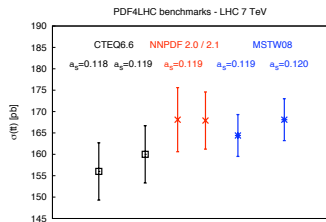
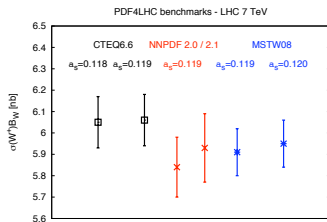
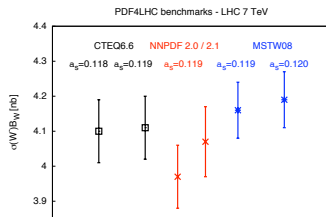
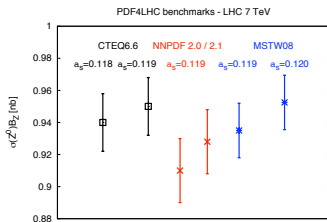
Impact of F_2^c data in NNPDF2.1

F_2^c data lead to an important constraint on the **small- x gluon**
 $\rightarrow \sim 1/2$ -sigma shift at $x \sim 10^{-3}$

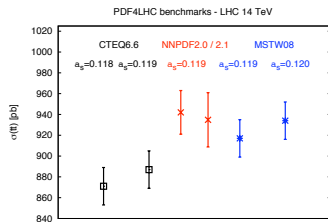
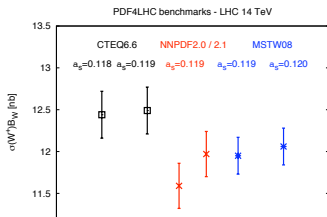
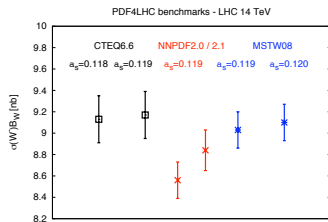
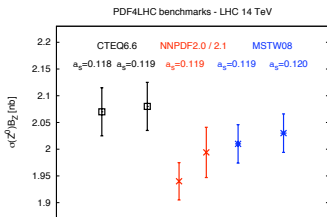


NNPDF2.1: IMPACT AT THE LHC AND THE PDF4LHC BENCHMARKS

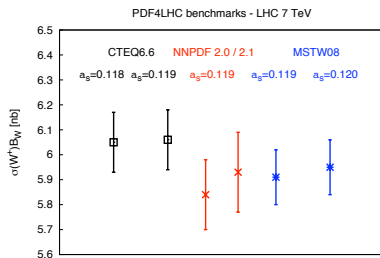
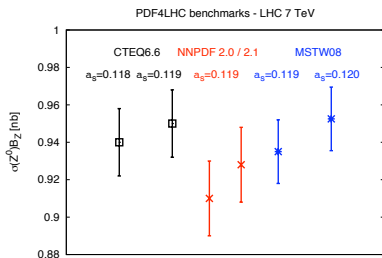
PDF4LHC benchmarks revisited - 7 and 14 TeV



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- ▶ **HQ mass effects** and F_2^c data amount to an about ~ 1 -sigma shift in LHC observables at 7 TeV and at 14 TeV
- ▶ **NNPDF2.1** predictions in excellent agreement with **MSTW08** for all observables
- ▶ Only **marginal agreement** with **CTEQ6.6** for most observables (also Higgs)
- ▶ Using **common α_s** increases the agreement

LO/LO* NNPDFs AND THE MOMENTUM OF QUARKS AND GLUONS

LO/LO* NNPDFs

- ▶ LO PDFs are a necessary input for LO event generators
- ▶ Existing global LO fits provide a **much worse description** to data than at NLO

PDF set	Ref	$\chi_{\text{LO}}^2/\chi_{\text{NLO}}^2 - 1$ (approx)
TS07	arXiv:0711.2473	$\sim 25\%$
CT09	arXiv:0910.4183	$\sim 30\%$

- ▶ Suggestions in the literature to change $\alpha_s(M_Z)$ from its LO to its NLO value or remove the **momentum sum rule** (MSR)
- ▶ To examine the situation within NNPDF, we have produced LO, LO* (NLO α_s + No MSR) and NLO* (No MSR) fits
- ▶ This analysis is based on the same dataset and settings as **NNPDF2.0** fit

Results (Preliminary)

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DYE605	0.56	0.57	0.84	0.81
DYE866	0.84	0.81	1.25	1.27
CDFWASY	1.35	1.28	1.79	1.94
CDFZRAP	3.44	3.16	1.86	1.88
D0ZRAP	1.41	1.19	0.55	0.56
CDFR2KT	0.88	0.89	0.79	0.87
D0R2CON	1.21	1.23	0.92	0.98
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- ▶ LO fit quality worse than at NLO, but moderate increase $\sim 6\%$
- ▶ LO* fit quality not better than standard LO fit
- ▶ At LO, total momentum is 1.08 ± 0.05 , compatible with **1** at the **90% C.L.**
- ▶ Training lengths increase at LO \rightarrow The neural nets to accommodate both data and missing NLO corrections

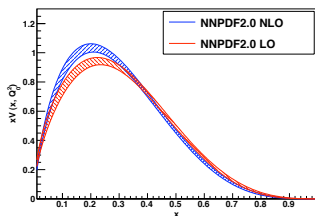
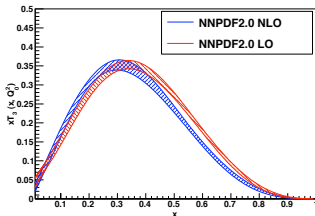
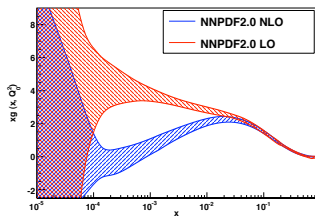
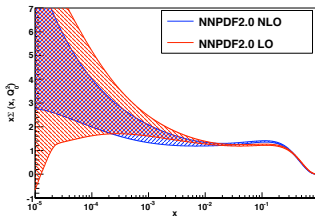
For the NLO* fit, excellent agreement with **asymptotic pQCD predictions** for quark/gluon momentum fractions

$$\int_0^1 dx x \Sigma(x, Q^2) \Big|_{\text{NLO}^*} = 0.532 \pm 0.010, \quad \int_0^1 dx x g(x, Q^2) \Big|_{\text{NLO}^*} = 0.474 \pm 0.015,$$

$$\int_0^1 dx x \Sigma(x, Q^2) \Big|_{\text{pQCD}} = \frac{3N_f}{16 + 3N_f} = 0.529, \quad \int_0^1 dx x g(x, Q^2) \Big|_{\text{pQCD}} = 0.471,$$

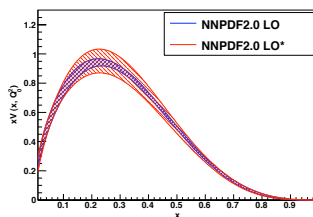
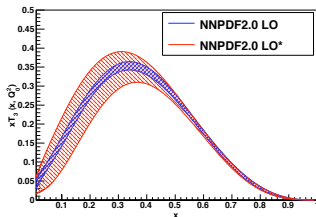
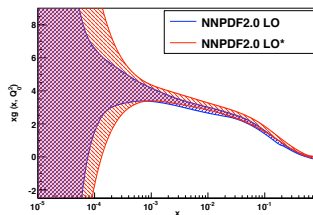
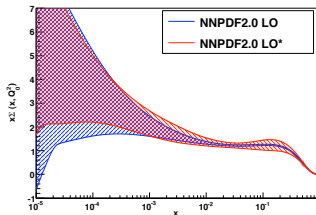
LO/LO* NNPDFs (Prel)

LO vs NLO: Differences for all PDFs, much harder **small-x** gluon



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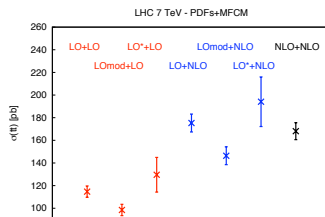
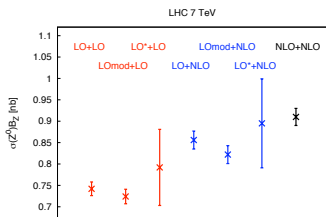
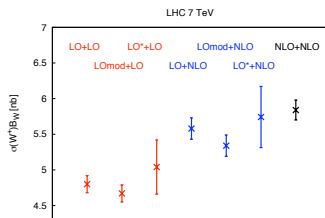
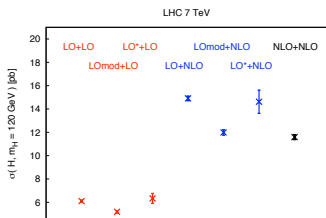
LO vs LO*: PDF uncertainties at LO **grow enormously** once MSR removed



LHC observables with LO/LO* PDFs

LO*+LO closer to NLO+NLO than other cases

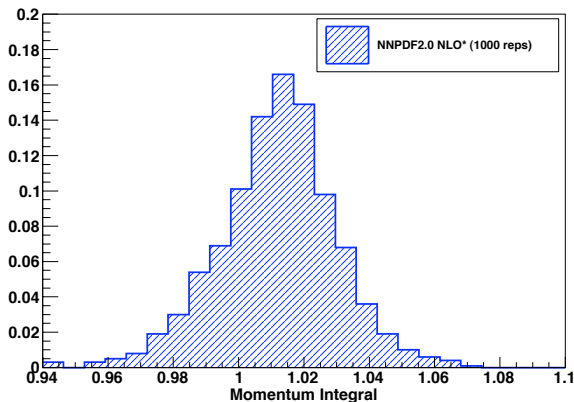
(but case-by-case statement - cannot be taken as general rule)



The momentum integral at NLO

$$\int_0^1 dx x [\Sigma(x) + g(x)] = 1.01 \pm 0.02 \quad (\text{NNPDF20 NLO*})$$

Impressive agreement with theoretical expectations with very small uncertainties
Most precise determination of the momentum of quarks and gluons in the proton



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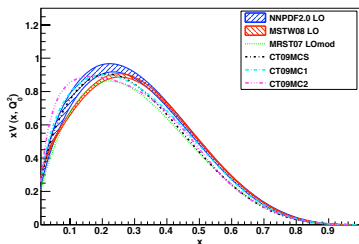
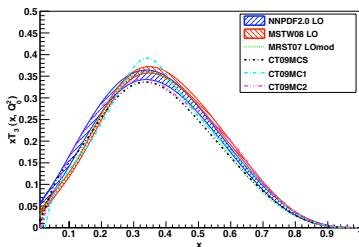
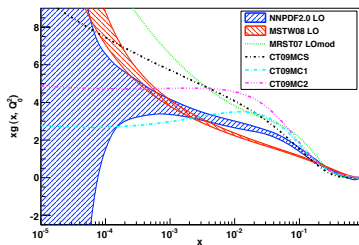
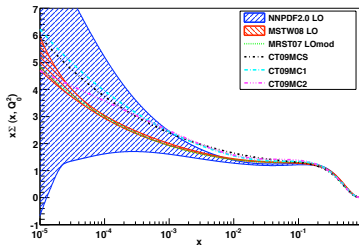
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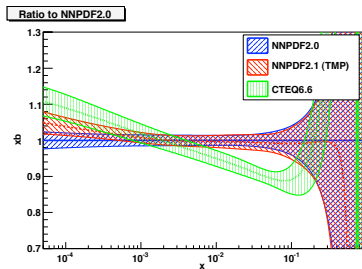
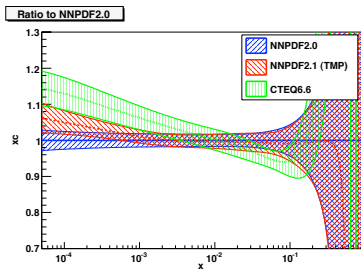
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NNPDF LO/LO* vs. TS07/CT09



Heavy quark PDFs and luminosities

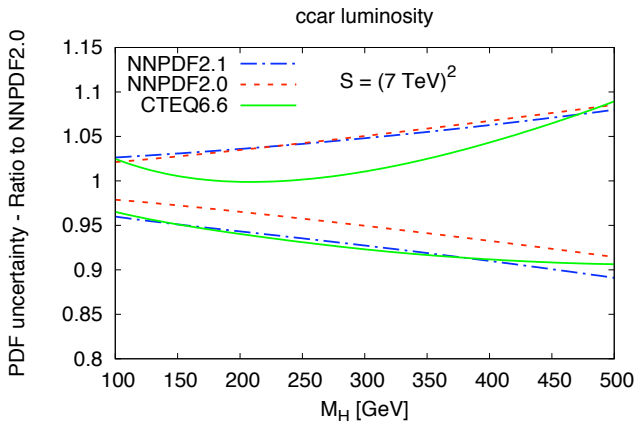
Ratio to NNPDF2.0 at $Q^2 = 10^4 \text{ GeV}^2$



- ▶ Same pattern for $c(x, Q^2)$ and $b(x, Q^2)$ (Common evolution from singlet and gluon)
- ▶ Systematic discrepancy in b PDF for $x \in [0.01, 0.1]$ unrelated to HQs

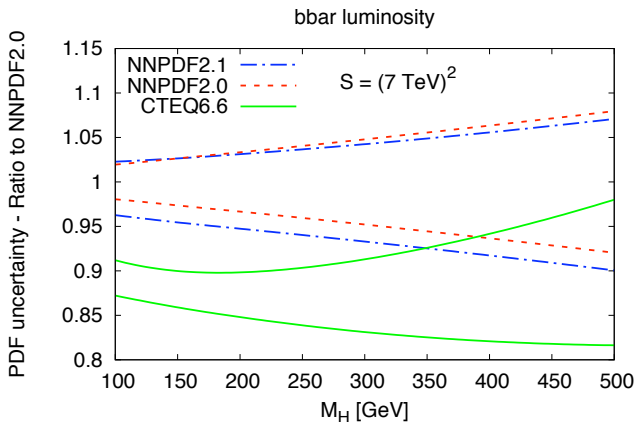
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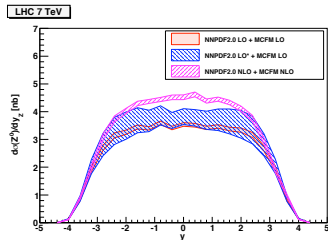
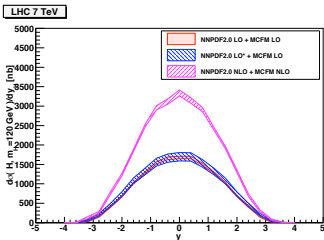
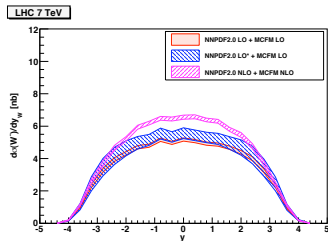
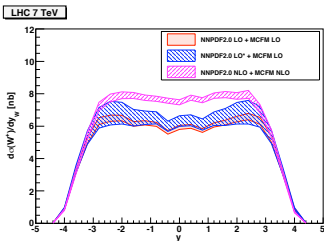


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FONLL in a nutshell

- Express the massive result $F^{(n_f)}$ in terms of the massless PDFs and α_s (non trivial from $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$)

$$F^{(n_f)}(x, Q^2) = x \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} \sum_{i=q, \bar{q}, g} B_i \left(\frac{x}{y}, \frac{Q^2}{m^2}, \alpha_s^{(n_f+1)}(Q^2) \right) f_i^{(n_f+1)}(y, Q^2),$$

- Define **massless limit of the massive computation** as

$$F^{(n_f, 0)}(x, Q^2) \equiv x \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} \sum_{i=q, \bar{q}, g} B_i^{(0)} \left(\frac{x}{y}, \frac{Q^2}{m^2}, \alpha_s^{(n_f+1)}(Q^2) \right) f_i^{(n_f+1)}(y, Q^2),$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow 0} \left[B_i \left(x, \frac{Q^2}{m^2} \right) - B_i^{(0)} \left(x, \frac{Q^2}{m^2} \right) \right] = 0$$

- The FONLL approximation is then

$$F^{\text{FONLL}}(x, Q^2) \equiv F^{(d)}(x, Q^2) + F^{(n_f)}(x, Q^2),$$

$$F^{(d)}(x, Q^2) \equiv \left[F^{(n_f+1)}(x, Q^2) - F^{(n_f, 0)}(x, Q^2) \right]$$

Important technical advantage: PDFs and α_s expressed always in the $(n_f + 1)$ scheme

FONLL in a nutshell

- ▶ Far from threshold, $Q^2 \gg m^2$ $F^{(n_l, 0)}(x, Q^2) \sim F^{(n_l)}(x, Q^2) \rightarrow$ the massless computation recovered

$$F^{\text{FONLL}}(x, Q^2) \sim F^{(n_l+1)}(x, Q^2)$$

- ▶ Near threshold the “**difference term**” is formally higher order but unreliable, so one can correct it by mass suppressed terms, using for example a **damping factor** (FONLL default)

$$F^{(d, \text{th})}(x, Q^2) \equiv f_{\text{thr}}(x, Q^2) F^{(d)}(x, Q^2), \quad f_{\text{thr}}(x, Q^2) = \Theta(Q^2 - m^2) \left(1 - \frac{Q^2}{m^2}\right)^2,$$

or some form of **χ -scaling**,

$$F^{(d, \chi)}(x, Q^2) \equiv F^{(d)}(x, Q^2) = x \int_{\chi(x, Q^2)} \frac{dy}{y} C\left(\frac{\chi(x, Q^2)}{y}, \alpha(Q^2)\right) f(y, Q^2),$$

$$F^{(d, \chi, v^2)}(x, Q^2) \equiv F^{(d)}(\chi(x, Q^2), Q^2), \quad \chi = x \left(1 + \frac{4m^2}{Q^2}\right).$$

The choice of **threshold prescription** represent an **intrinsic ambiguity** of the matching procedure. Can this **ambiguity** be minimized?

Perturbative ordering in FONLL

Three FONLL schemes for different **ordering of the perturbative expansion** can be defined:

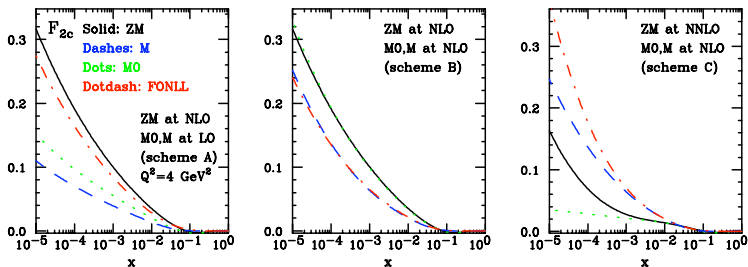
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3. Scheme C $\rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$ in massless and in massive

In any of the three schemes, **any threshold prescription** can be implemented
These schemes can be related to **existing approaches**

1. Scheme A is identical to S-ACOT
2. Scheme B was formulated with similar scope as TR (use the information from the $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$ massive computation in a NLO GM-VFN scheme), but they turn to be **different**
3. Scheme C should be S-ACOT at NNLO?

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The different contributions to FONLL for $F_{2c}(x, Q^2)$:

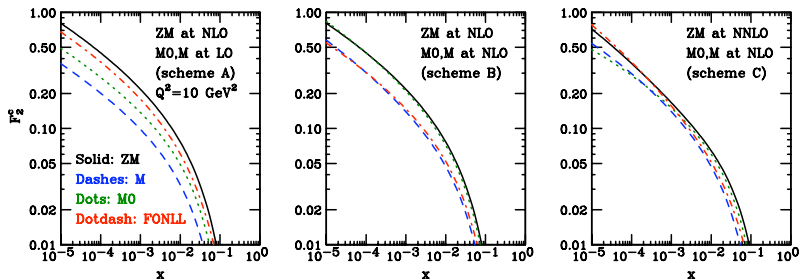


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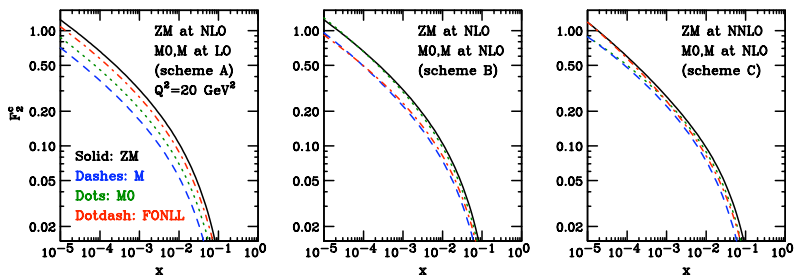


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The χ -scaling threshold prescription used in S-ACOT- χ can be implemented in two alternative ways (with the difference being subleading)

- ▶ $x \rightarrow \chi$ replacement only inside convolutions

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- ▶ $x \rightarrow \chi$ replacement in the structure function argument

$$F^{(x, \nu^2)}(x, Q^2) = \chi(x, Q^2) \int_{\chi(x, Q^2)} \frac{dy}{y} C\left(\frac{\chi(x, Q^2)}{y}, \alpha(Q^2)\right) f(y, Q^2),$$

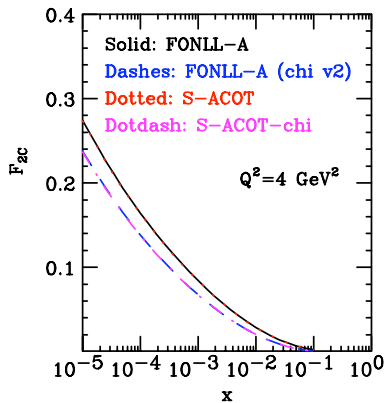
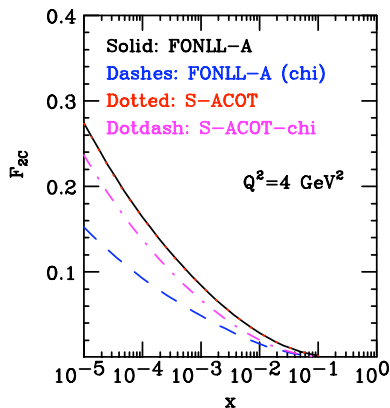
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$F^{(x)}(x, Q^2)$ used in CTEQ6.6, while $F^{(x, \nu^2)}(x, Q^2)$ implemented in MSTW2008

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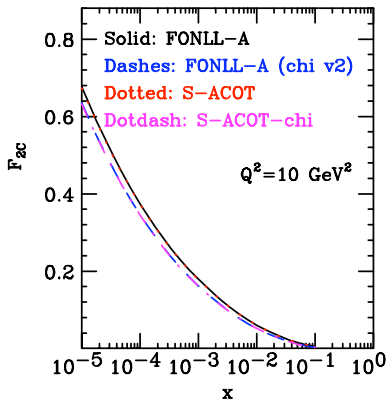
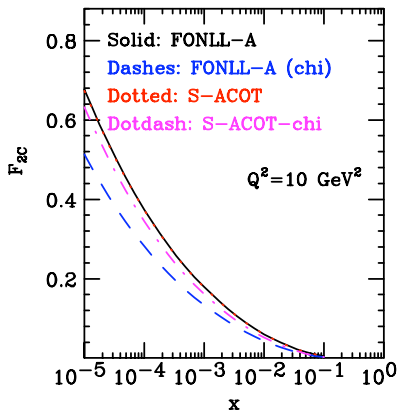
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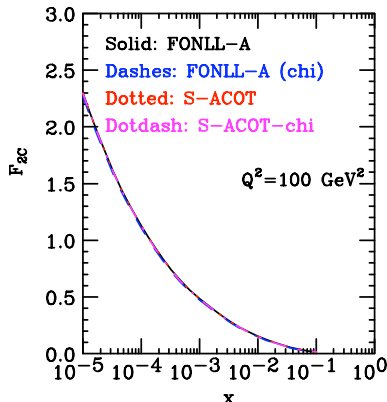
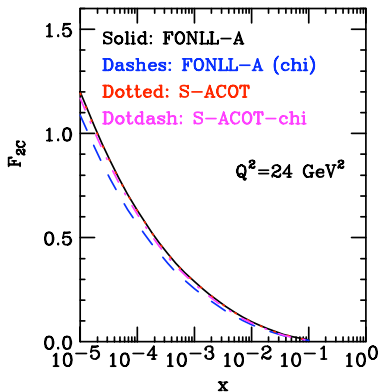
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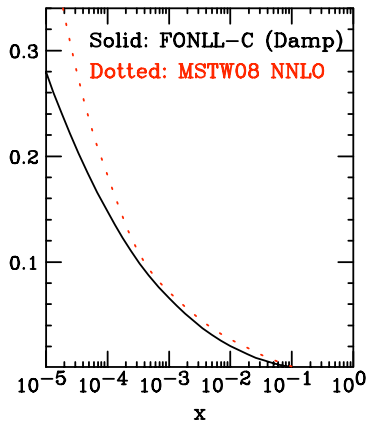
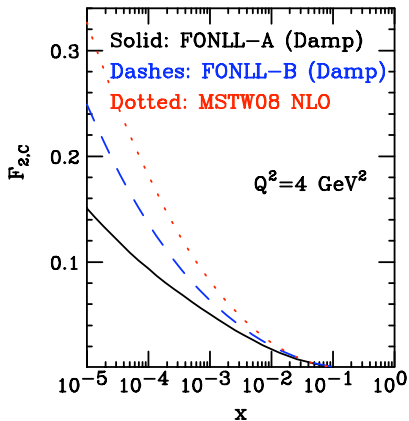


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- ▶ FONLL-A (plain) is identical to S-ACOT (both for F_{2c} and for F_{Lc})
- ▶ FONLL-A is identical to S-ACOT- χ once the proper **threshold prescription** is adopted
- ▶ The S-ACOT- χ numbers provided by **F. Olness** use a different χ -scaling than the ones used in the CTEQ6.6 fit (**P. Nadolsky**)
- ▶ It is crucial to **carefully state the threshold prescription** used in each case
→ In FONLL scheme A (and in S-ACOT) the effect of the threshold prescription can be **as large as the resummation** itself
- ▶ The default **threshold prescription** used in FONLL (damping factor) falls between the two implementations of **χ -scaling**

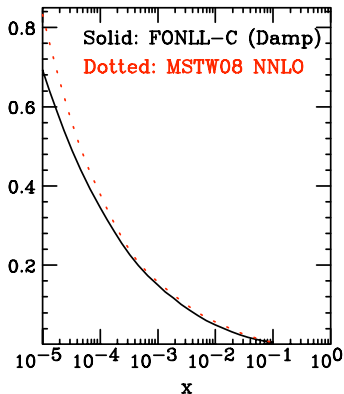
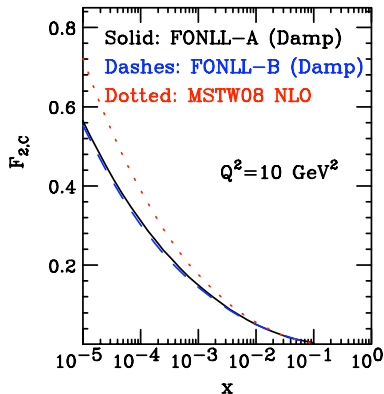
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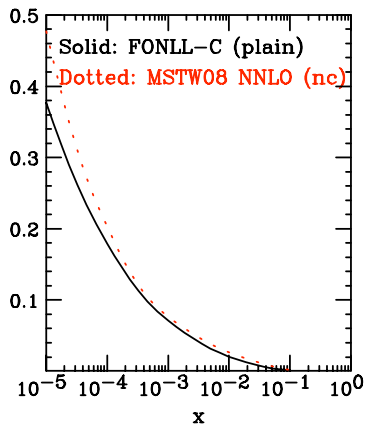
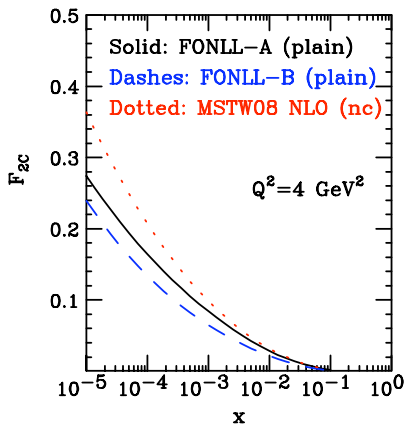
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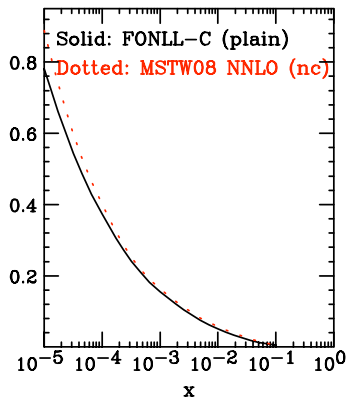
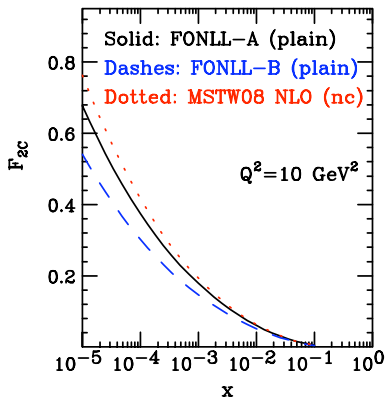
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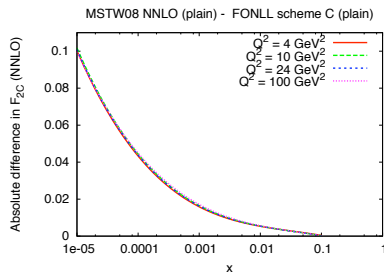
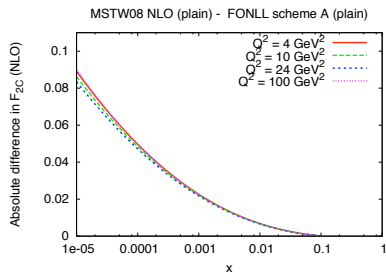
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The **only difference** for $F_{2c}(x, Q^2)$ between FONLL scheme A (and **scheme C**) and MSTW08 NLO (and **NNLO**) (without threshold prescriptions) is a Q^2 -independent matching term f in MSTW08:

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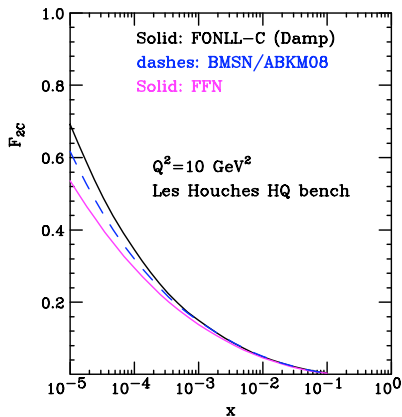
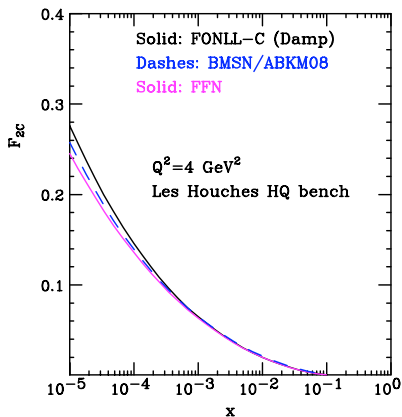
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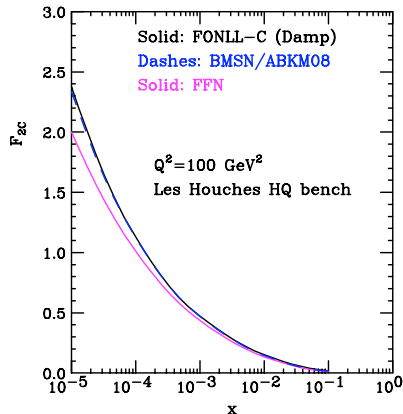
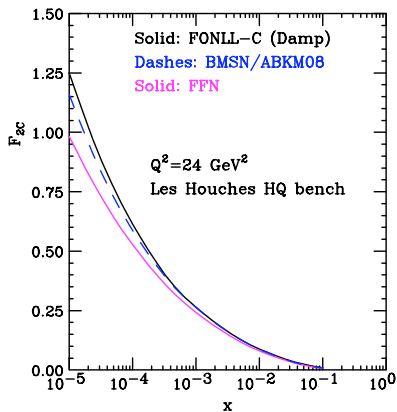
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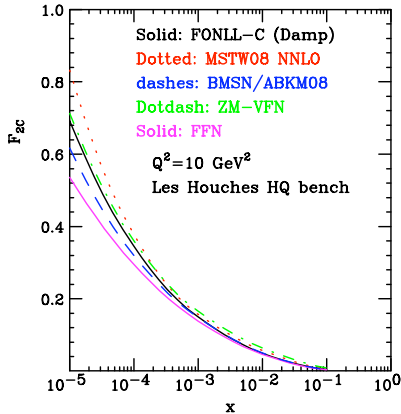
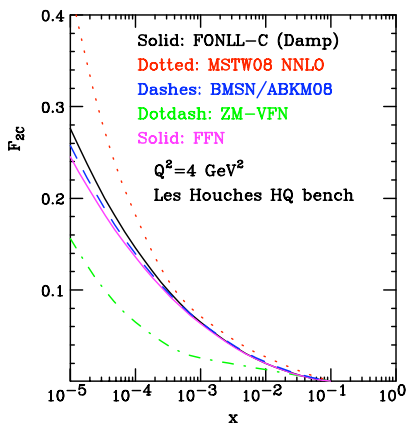
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- ▶ TR NLO is S-ACOT/FONLL-A plus the constant (**subleading**) term, and shares with these schemes the large **dependence on the choice of (arbitrary) threshold prescription** (unlike **FONLL-B** which is **unaffected** by this choice of prescription)
- ▶ Similar conclusions for TR NNLO and FONLL-C: identical up to a Q^2 -independent subleading term
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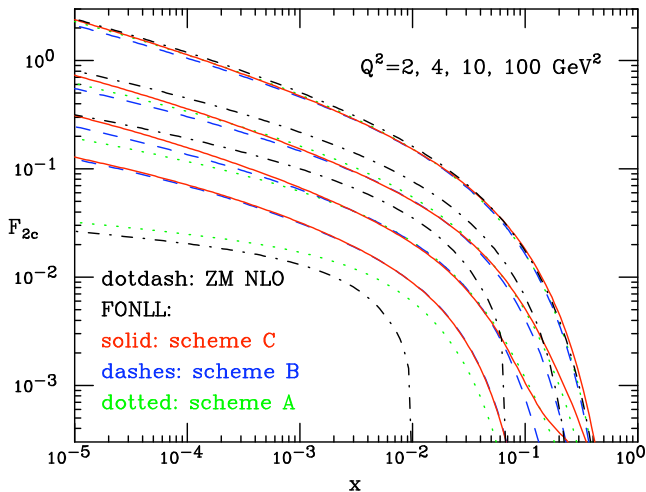


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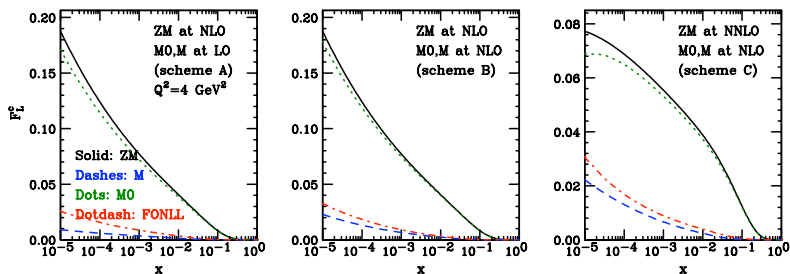


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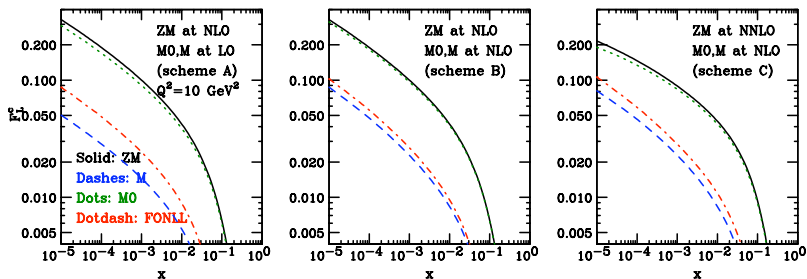
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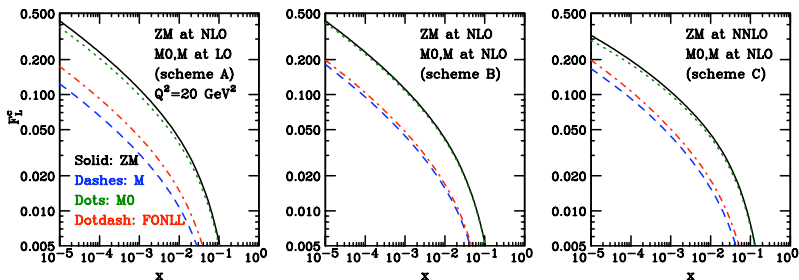
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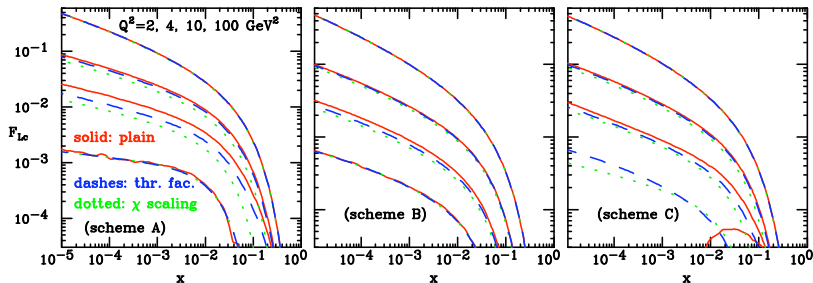
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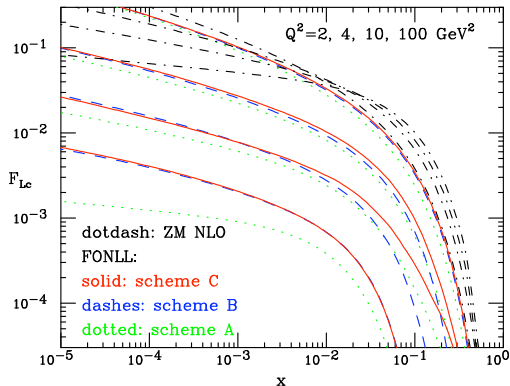
The FONLL result for $F_{Lc}(x, Q^2)$ with different threshold prescriptions



In FONLL the ambiguity due to choice of (arbitrary) threshold prescription present in **scheme A** disappears in **scheme B**

This threshold ambiguity can be as large as the **resummation** itself

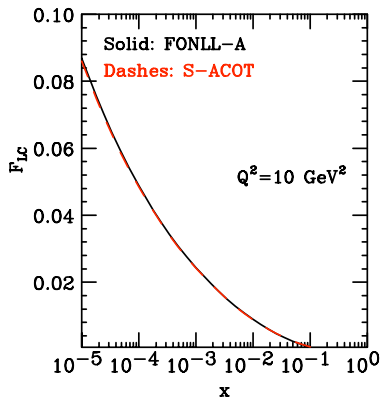
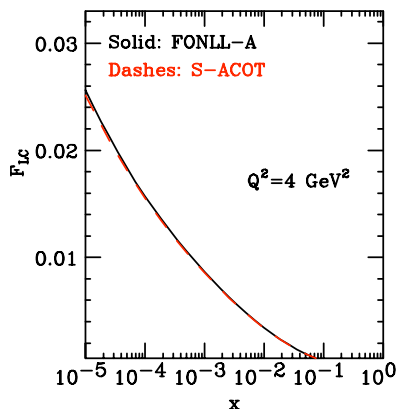
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The **massless** is very far from FONLL even at **large Q^2** for $F_{Lc}(x, Q^2)$

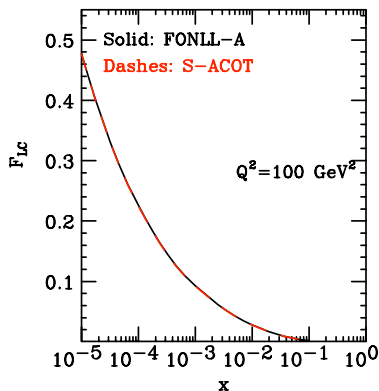
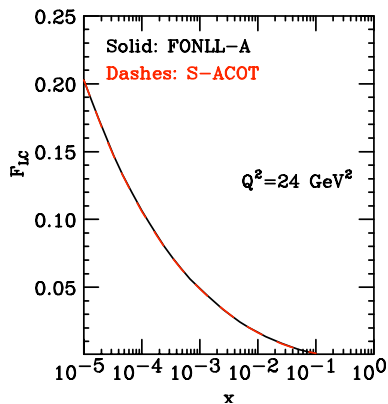
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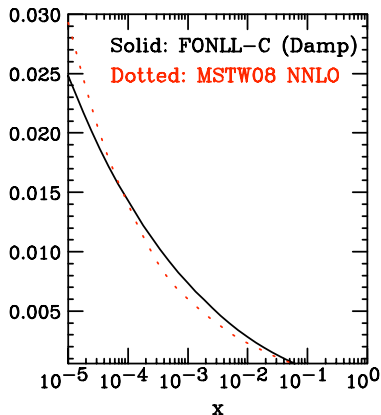
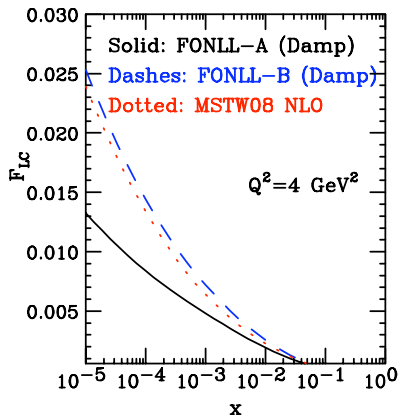
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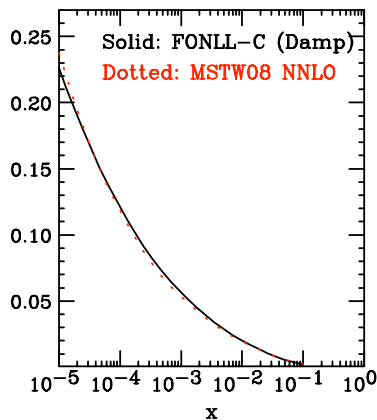
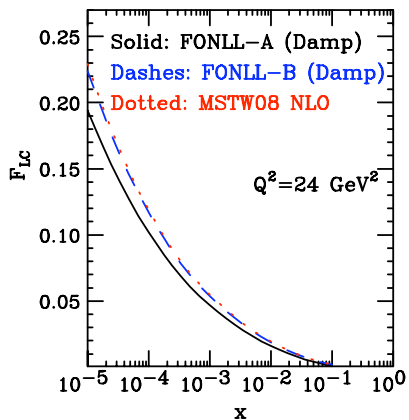
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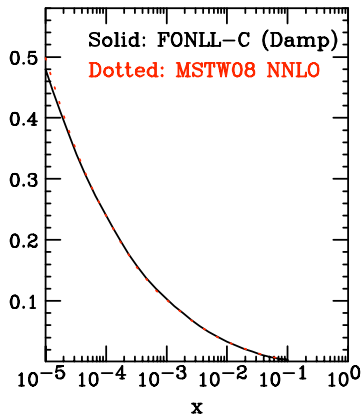
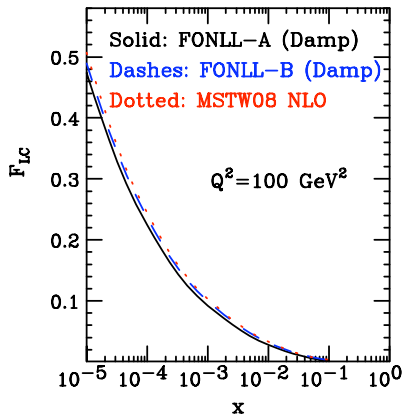
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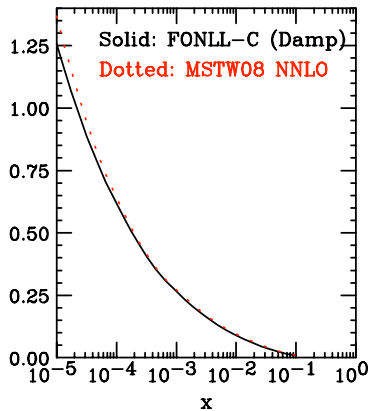
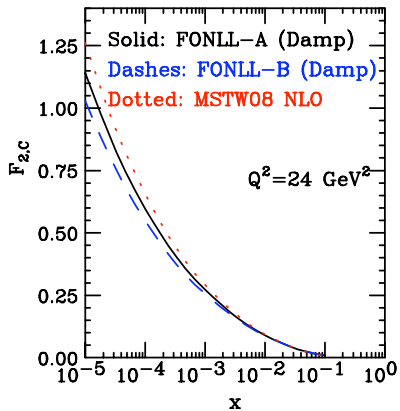
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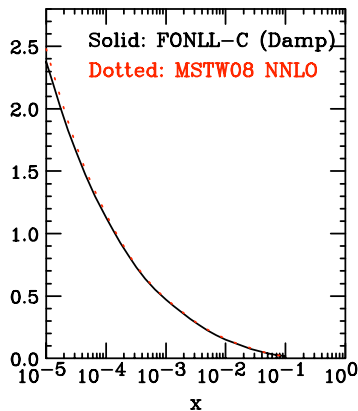
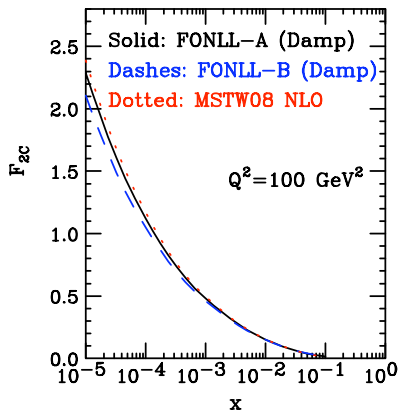
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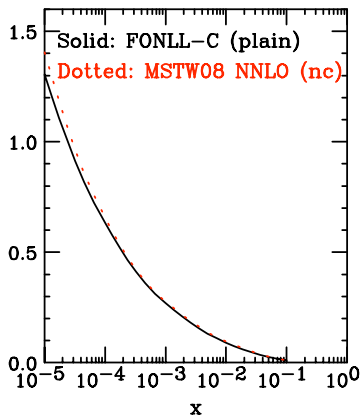
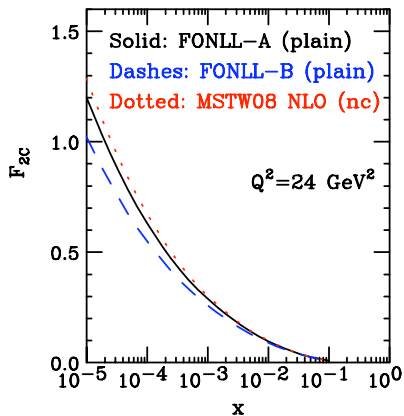
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FONLL vs. MSTW08

With threshold prescriptions switched off:



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