

# NNPDF 2.3

Parton Densities with LHC data

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# SUMMARY

- The **NNPDF** methodology
- The **NNPDF 2.3** set:
  - Dataset
  - Results
  - Phenomenology
- Conclusions

# The NNPDF Methodology

## *Main ingredients*

- **Monte Carlo** by importance sampling:
  - construct a set of data replicas which reproduces the statistical features of the original dataset.
- **Neural networks** as interpolants:
  - unbiased basis parametrized by a very large set of parameters.
- **Genetic Algorithm** for neural network training:
  - suitable exploration of the space of parameters avoiding to fall into local minima.
- Determination of the best fit by **cross-validation**:
  - proper fitting avoiding overlearning.

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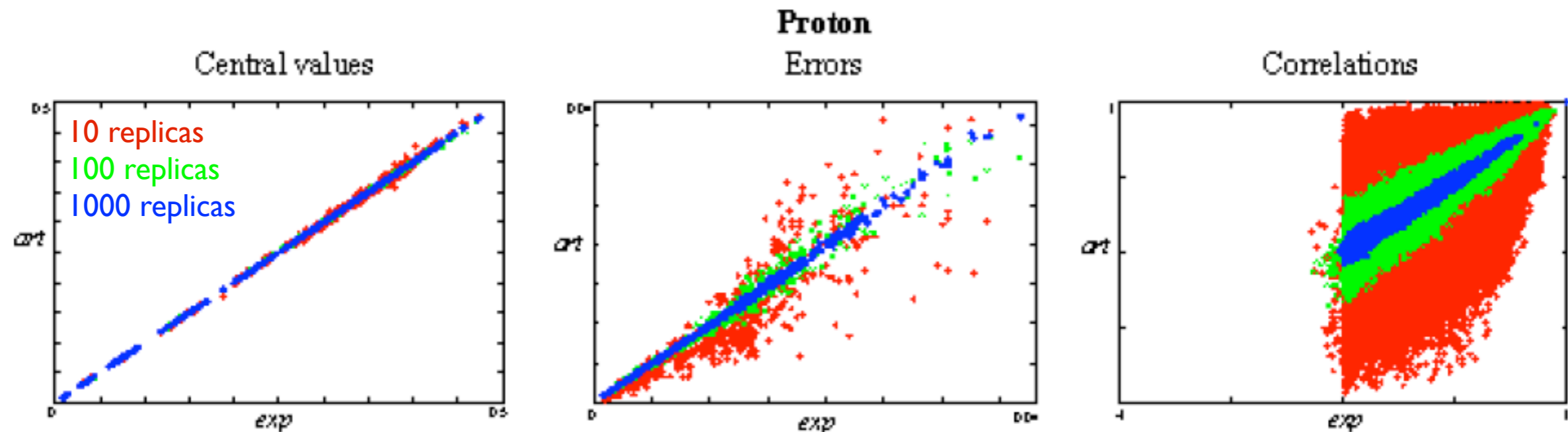
## Monte Carlo Sampling

- Generation of **artificial MC data** according to the distribution:

$$O_i^{(art)(k)} = (1 + r_{norm}^{(k)} \sigma_{norm}) \left[ O_i^{(exp)} + r_{stat}^{(k)} \sigma_{stat} + \sum_{p=1}^{N_{sys}} r_{sys,p}^{(k)} \sigma_{sys,p} \right]$$

where  $r_j^{(k)}$  are univariate (normally distributed) random numbers.

- **Validation** of the MC replicas against data:



- **$O(1000)$  replicas** to reproduce correlations at the percent accuracy.

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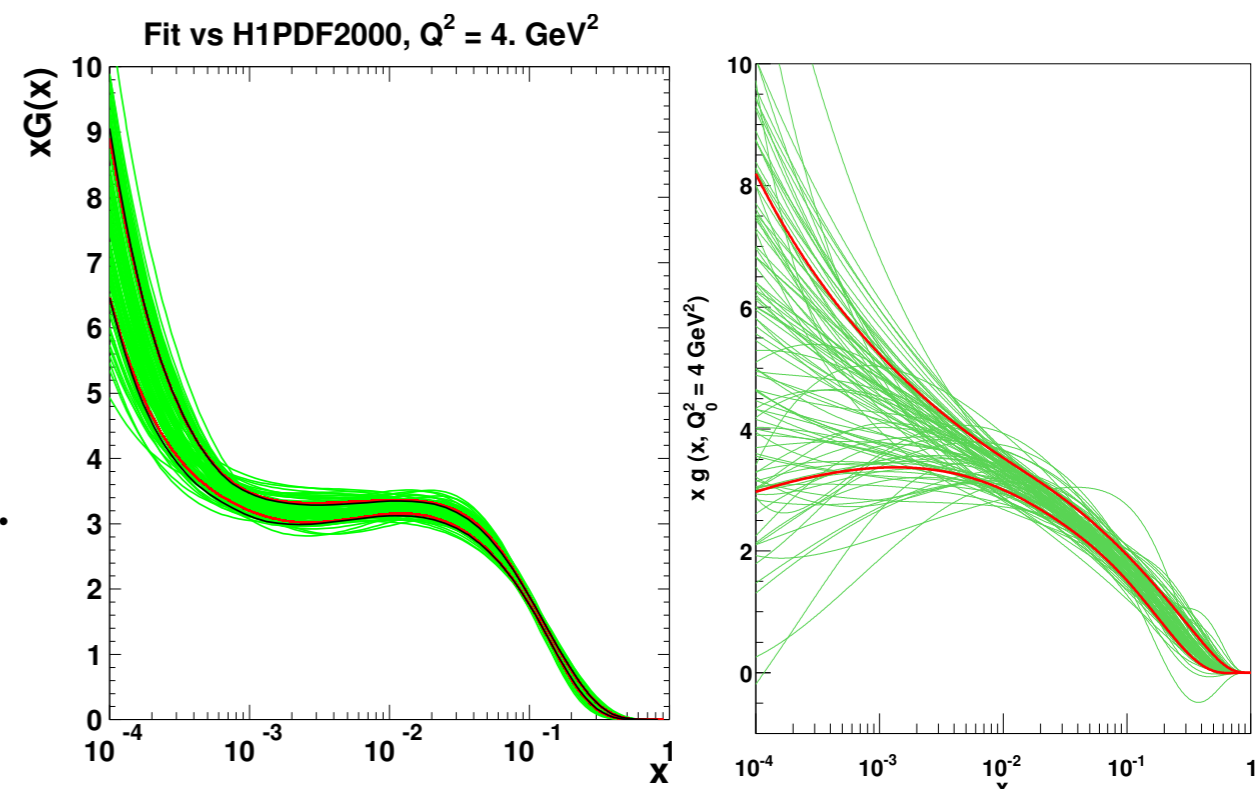
## Neural Networks

- **7 independent PDFs** at the initial scale  $Q_0 = \sqrt{2}$  GeV:

Gluon:	$g(x)$	Sea asymmetry:	$\Delta_s(x) = \bar{d}(x) - \bar{u}(x)$
Singlet:	$\Sigma(x) = \sum_q [q(x) + \bar{q}(x)]$	Total strangeness:	$s^+(x) = s(x) + \bar{s}(x)$
Valence:	$V(x) = \sum_q [q(x) - \bar{q}(x)]$	Strange valence:	$s^-(x) = s(x) - \bar{s}(x)$
Triplet:	$T_3(x) = [u(x) + \bar{u}(x)] - [d(x) + \bar{d}(x)]$		

- Each PDF parametrized by a **Neural Network** having architecture 2-5-3-1 (37 free parameters).
- **Redundant** parametrization **to avoid biases** from the choice of the PDF functional form:

- Polynomial form vs. Neural Network,
- stable under the change of architecture.



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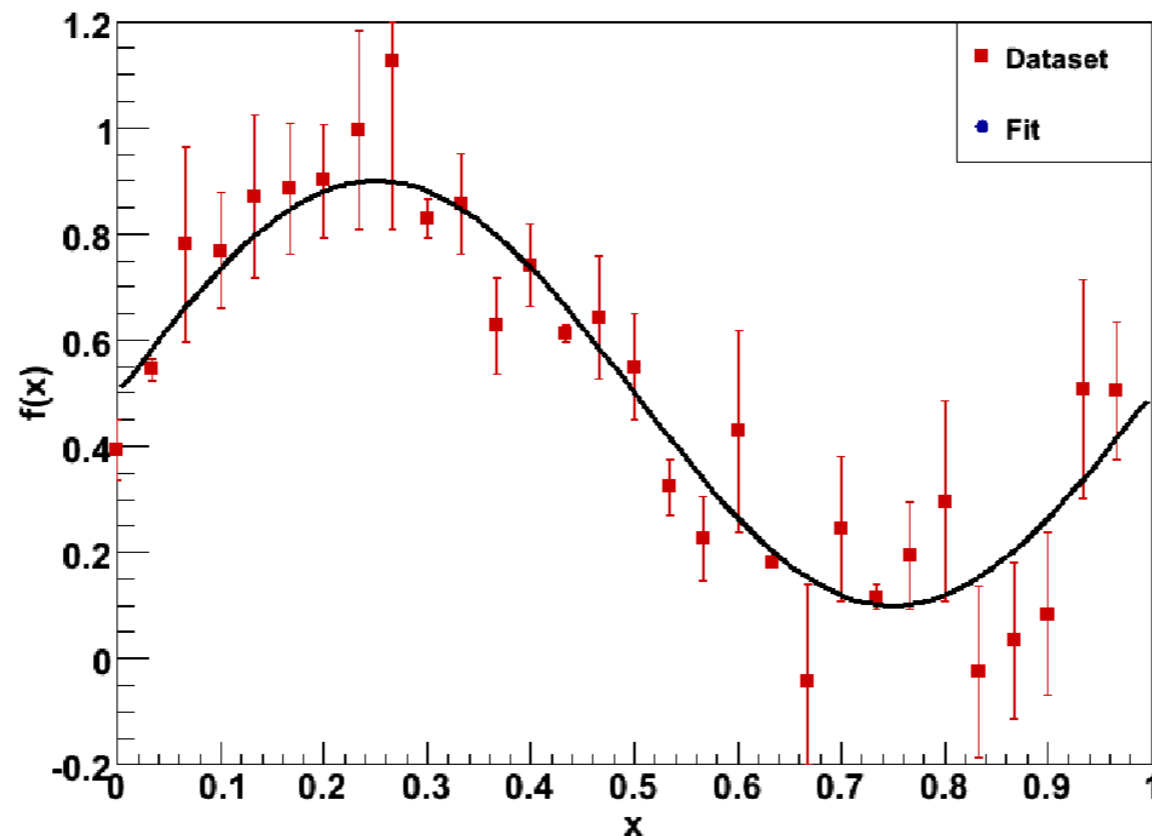
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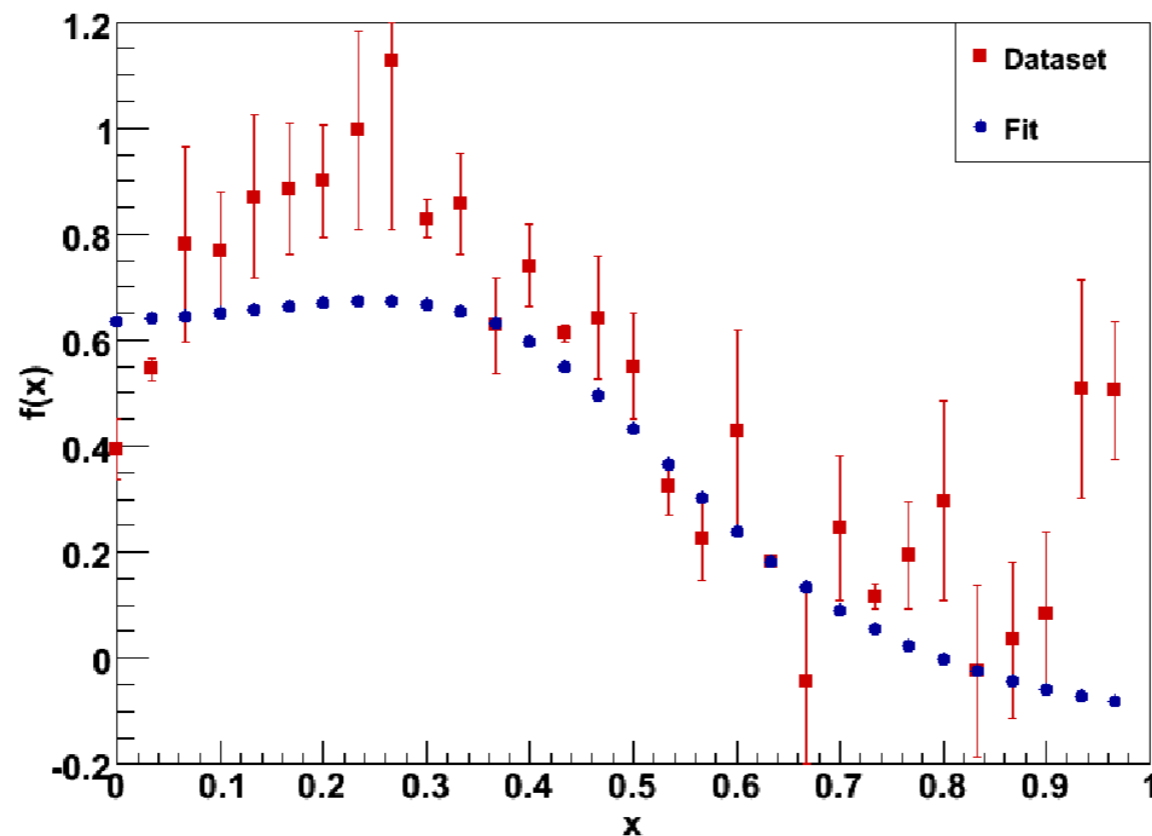
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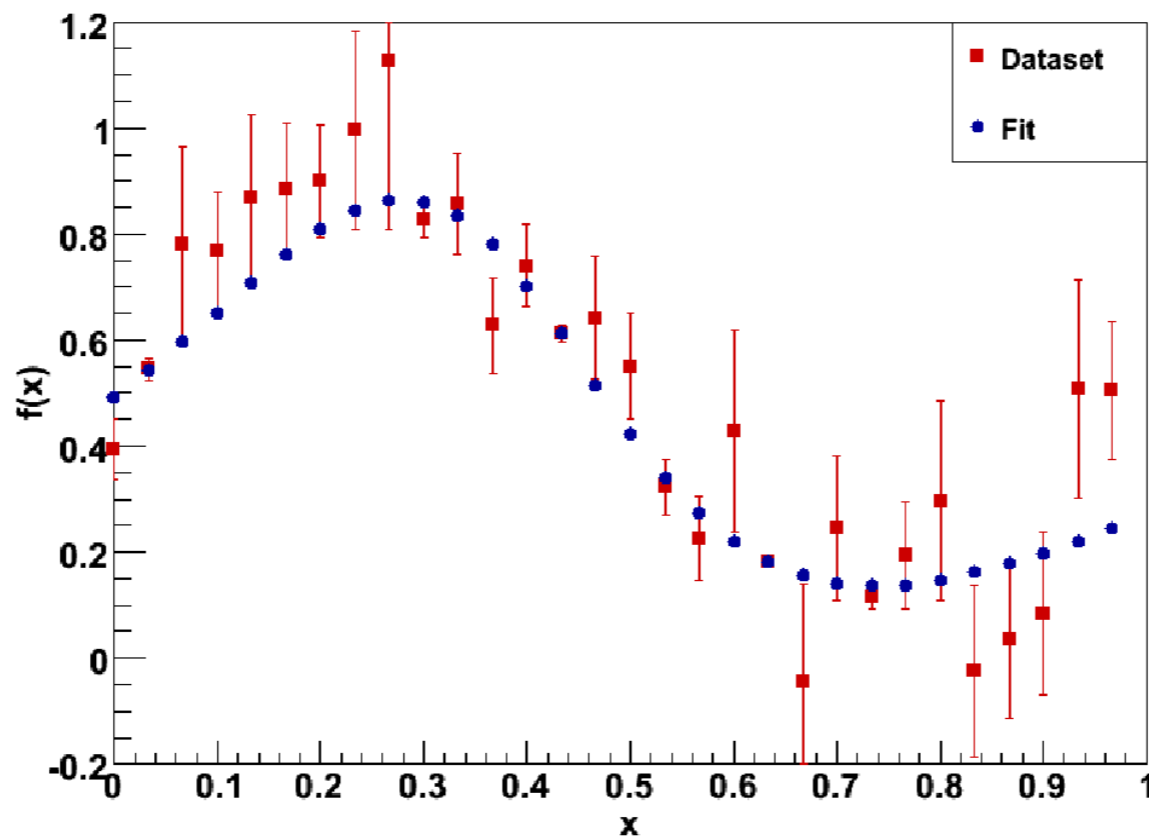
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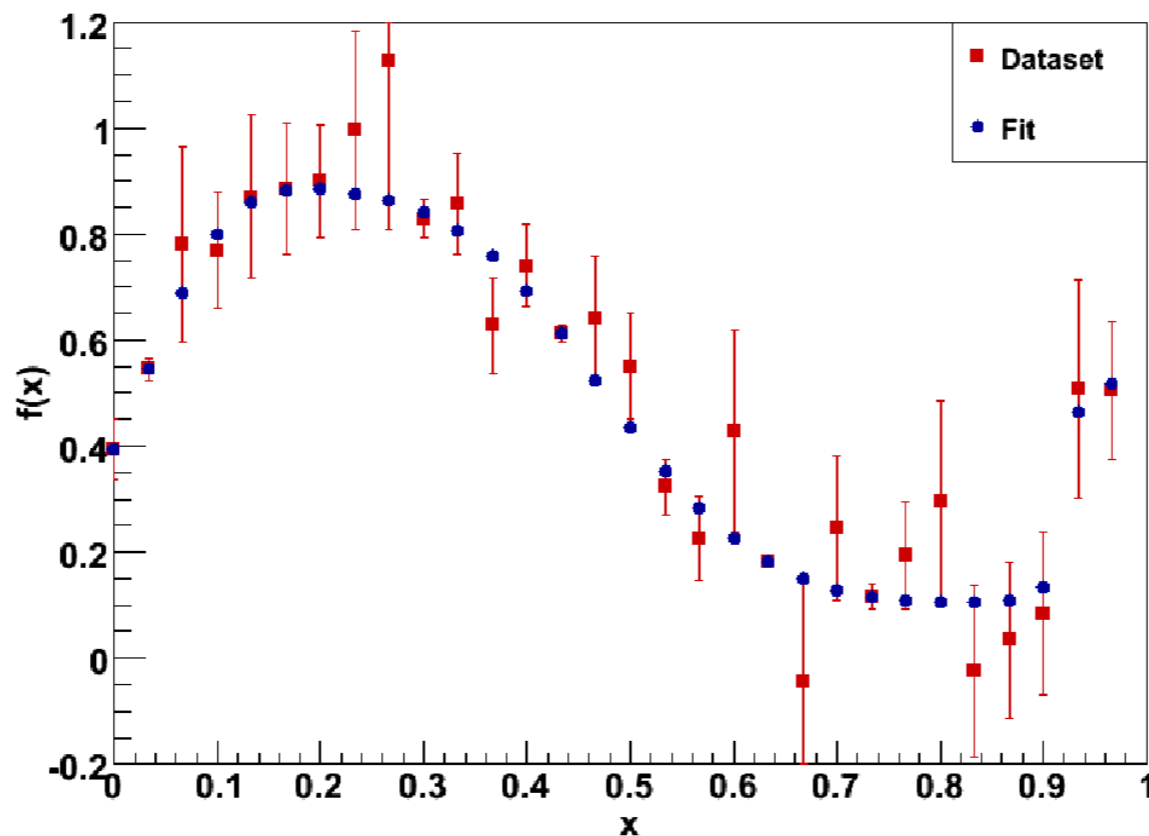
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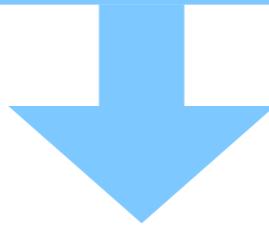
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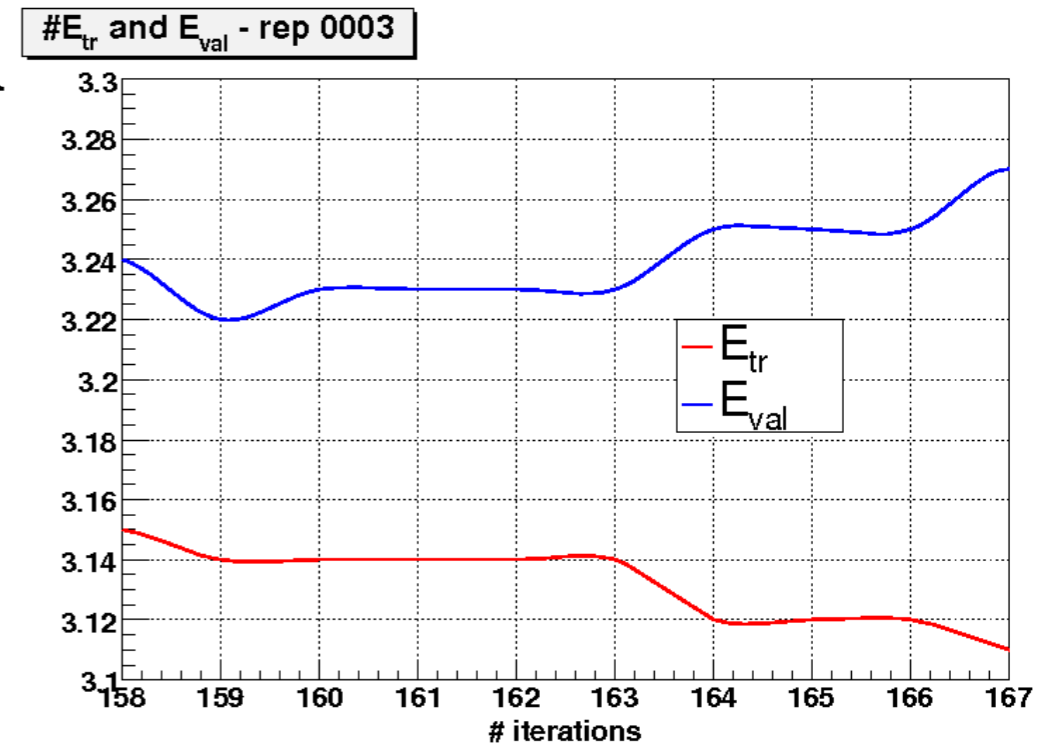
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Need for a **dynamical stopping** criterion!



**Cross-validation** method:

- Divide data in two sets: **training** and **validation** (for each experiment).
- **Random division** for each replica (typically  $f_t = f_v = 0.5$ ).
- **Minimization** performed only on the training set. Meantime, the validation  $\chi^2$  is monitored.
- When the training  $\chi^2$  still decreases while the validation  $\chi^2$  stops decreasing, **STOP the fit.**



# The NNPDF Methodology

*... to summarize*

- Generate **Monte Carlo replicas** of the experimental data taking into account all experimental correlations.
- Fit to each replica a set of PDFs, parametrized at the initial scale  $Q_0$  with **Neural Networks** using the **Genetic Algorithm** to minimize the  $\chi^2$  and the **Cross-Validation** method to stop the fit.
- **Expectation values** for observables are then given by:

$$\langle \mathcal{O}\{f\} \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \mathcal{O}[f_k] \quad \text{and} \quad \delta \langle \mathcal{O}\{f\} \rangle = \sqrt{\langle \mathcal{O}^2\{f\} \rangle - \langle \mathcal{O}\{f\} \rangle^2}$$

... and corresponding formulae used to compute correlations.

# NNPDF timeline

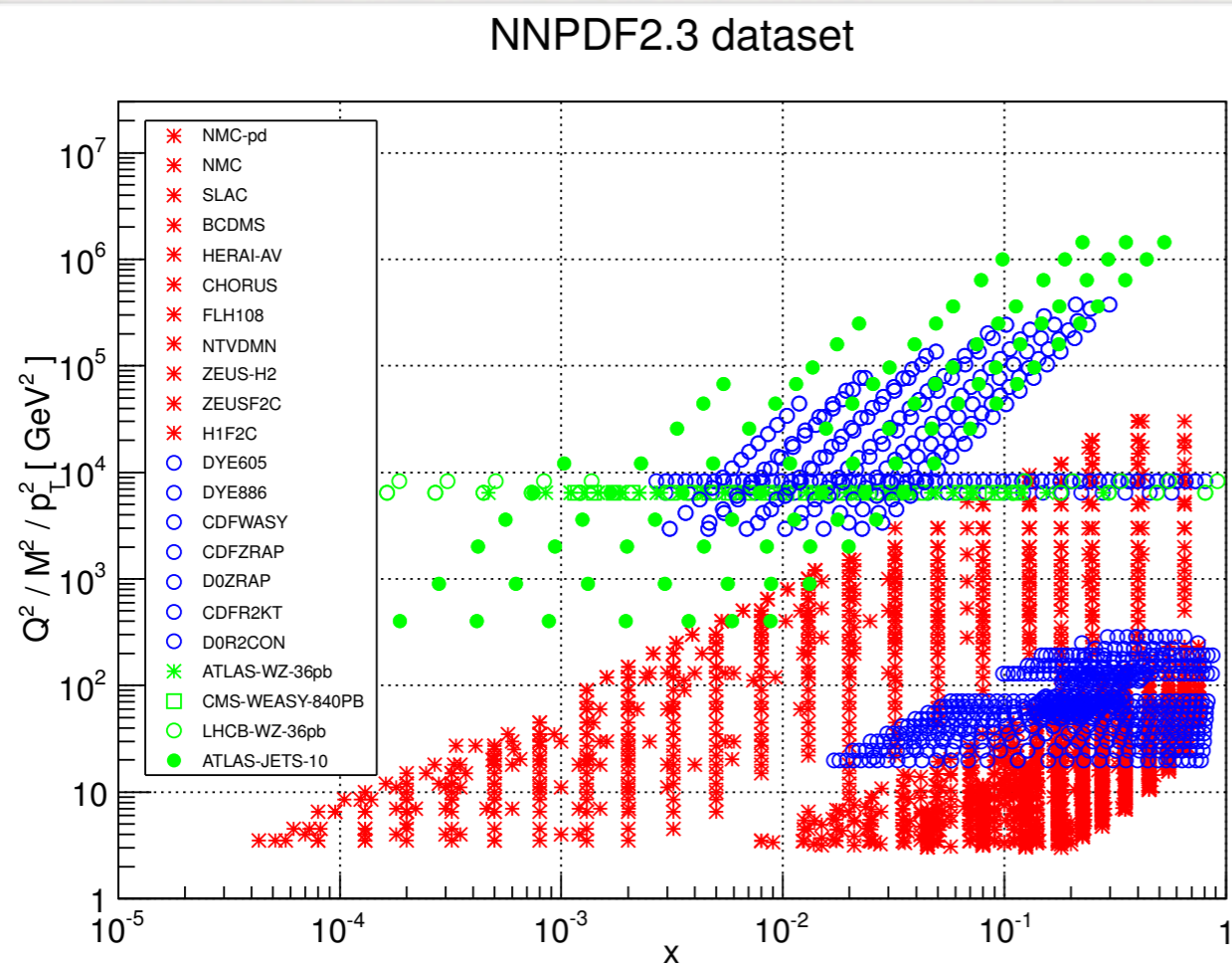
*... how we got here*

	NNPDF 1.0	NNPDF 1.2	NNPDF 2.0	NNPDF 2.1 NLO	NNPDF 2.1 LO & NNLO	NNPDF 2.3
DIS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Drell-Yan	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jets	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
LHC	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
Antistrange indep. param	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Heavy quark masses	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓
NNLO	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓

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## *The Dataset*

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**3501 data points (NNLO)**

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Tevatron Jets	186
<b>ATLAS incl. Jets</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>ATLAS W/Z lept. rap.</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>CMS W letp. asym.</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>LHCb W rap.</b>	<b>10</b>

Only the relevant LHC data for which the **full covariance matrix** is available are included.



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## *Methodological Improvements*

High order corrections **computationally intensive**

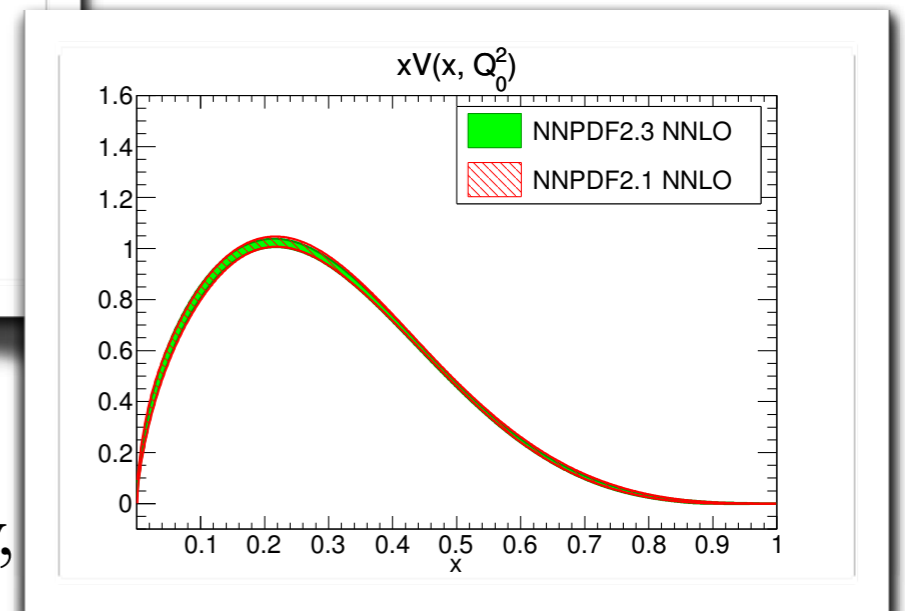
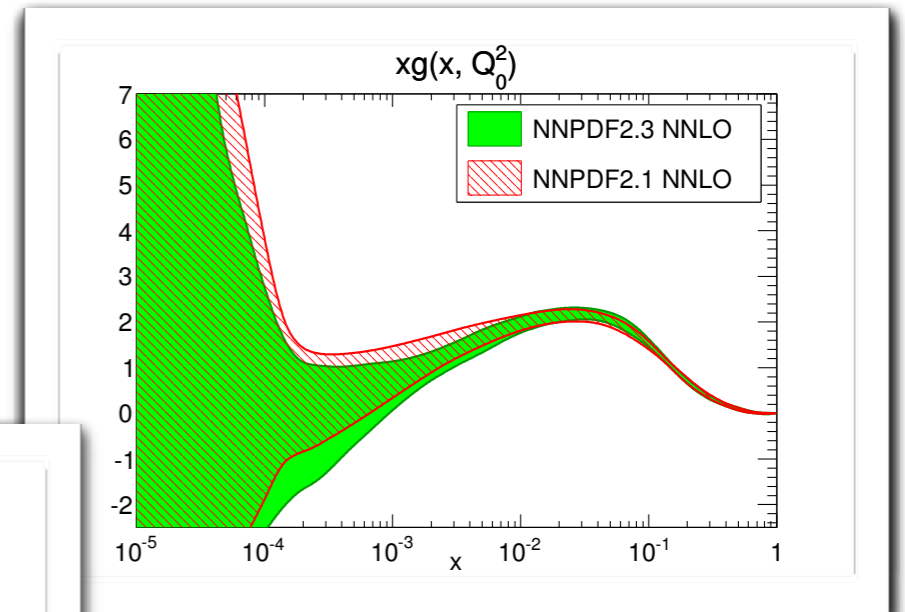
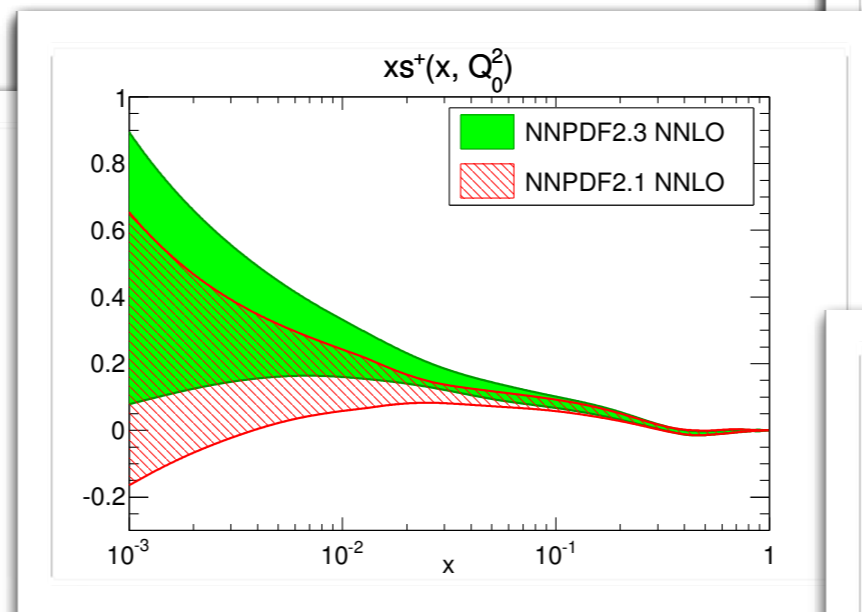
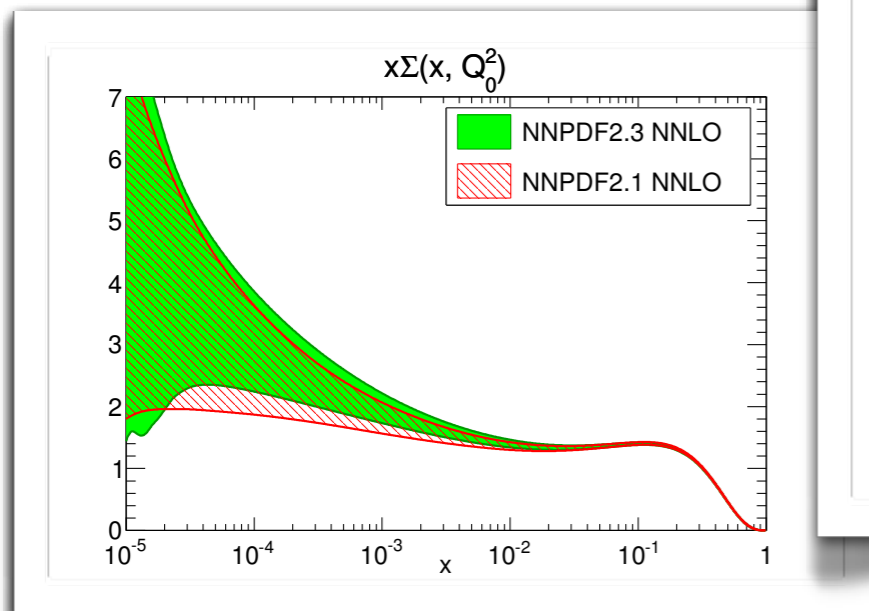


- Combination of **FastKernel** with **FastNLO/APPLgrid**:
  - substantial **speed-up** in computation of observables during the fit.
- More **advanced minimization** procedure to fit PDFs:
  - allowed by fast computation of observables,
  - **retuning of the minimization** algorithm (genetic algorithm),
  - retraining of replicas having  $\chi^2$  “too away” from the average (**outliers**).

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## Parton Distributions: 2.3 vs. 2.1

- Addition of the **LHC data**,
- improved **minimization**,
- corrected error in the **di-muon cross-section**.



- Moderate but significant reduction in uncertainty,
- change in **strangeness**.



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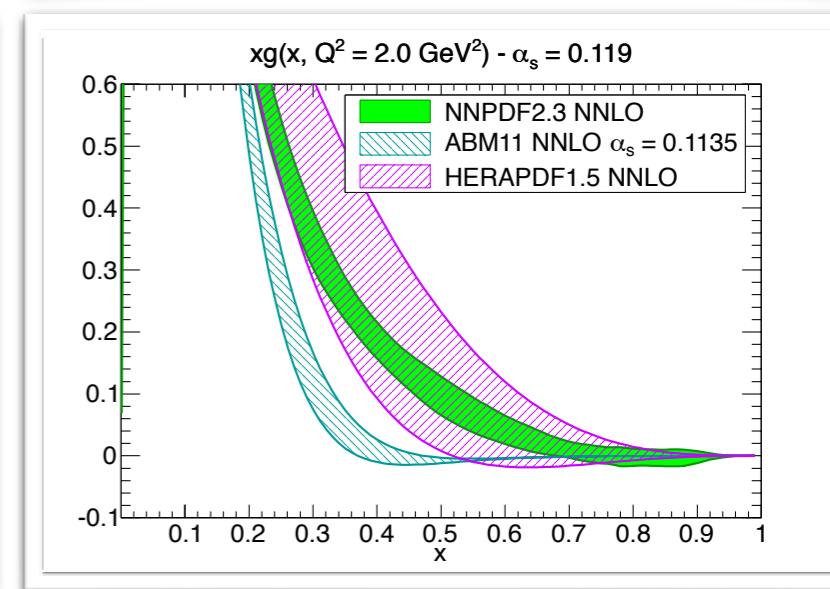
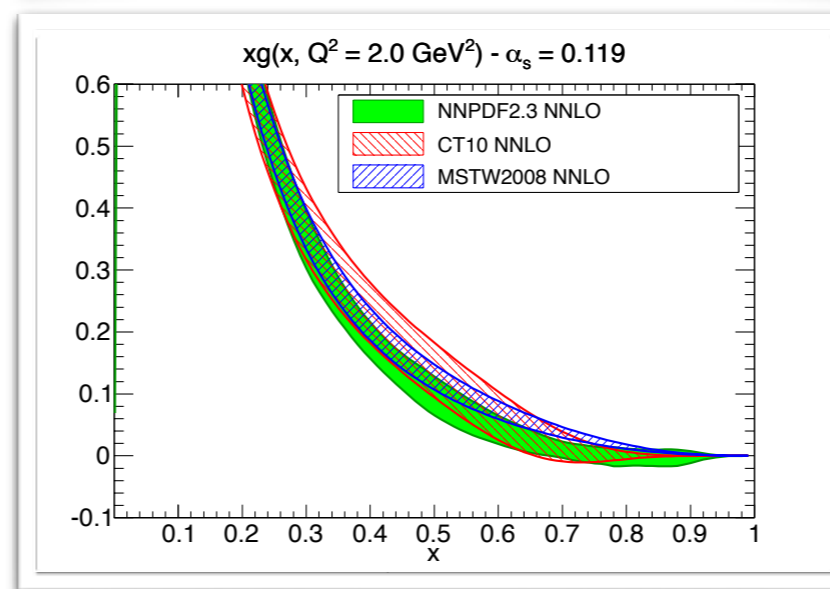
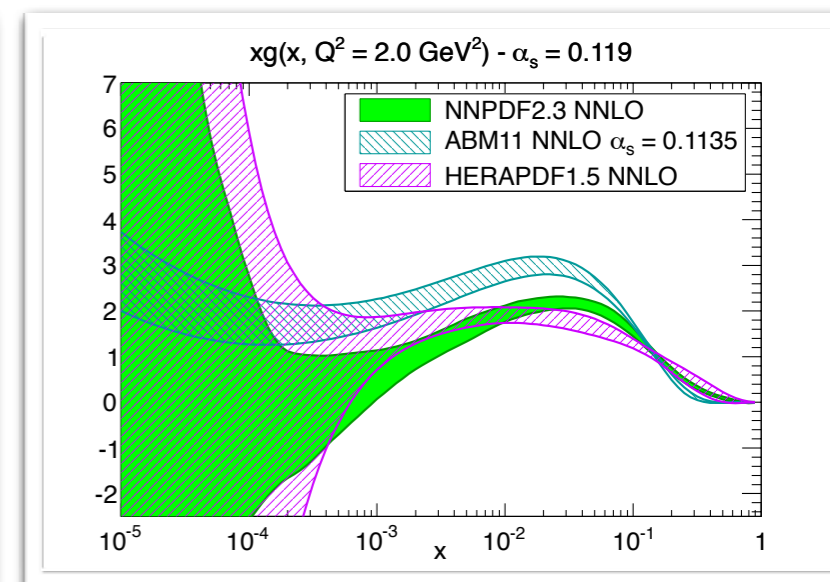
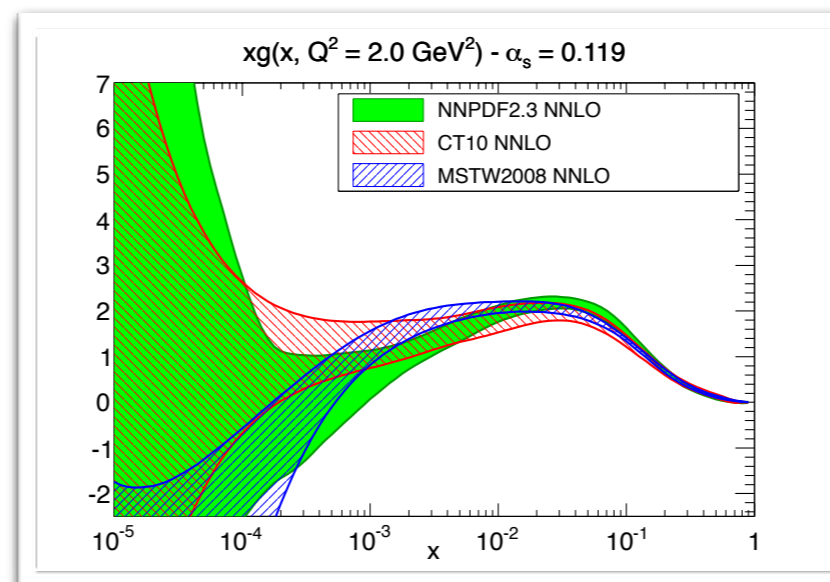
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good agreement between global fits (NNPDF, MSTW and CT) all over the  $x$  range,

larger differences between NNPDF and ABM at both large and small- $x$  (different  $\alpha_s$ ?),

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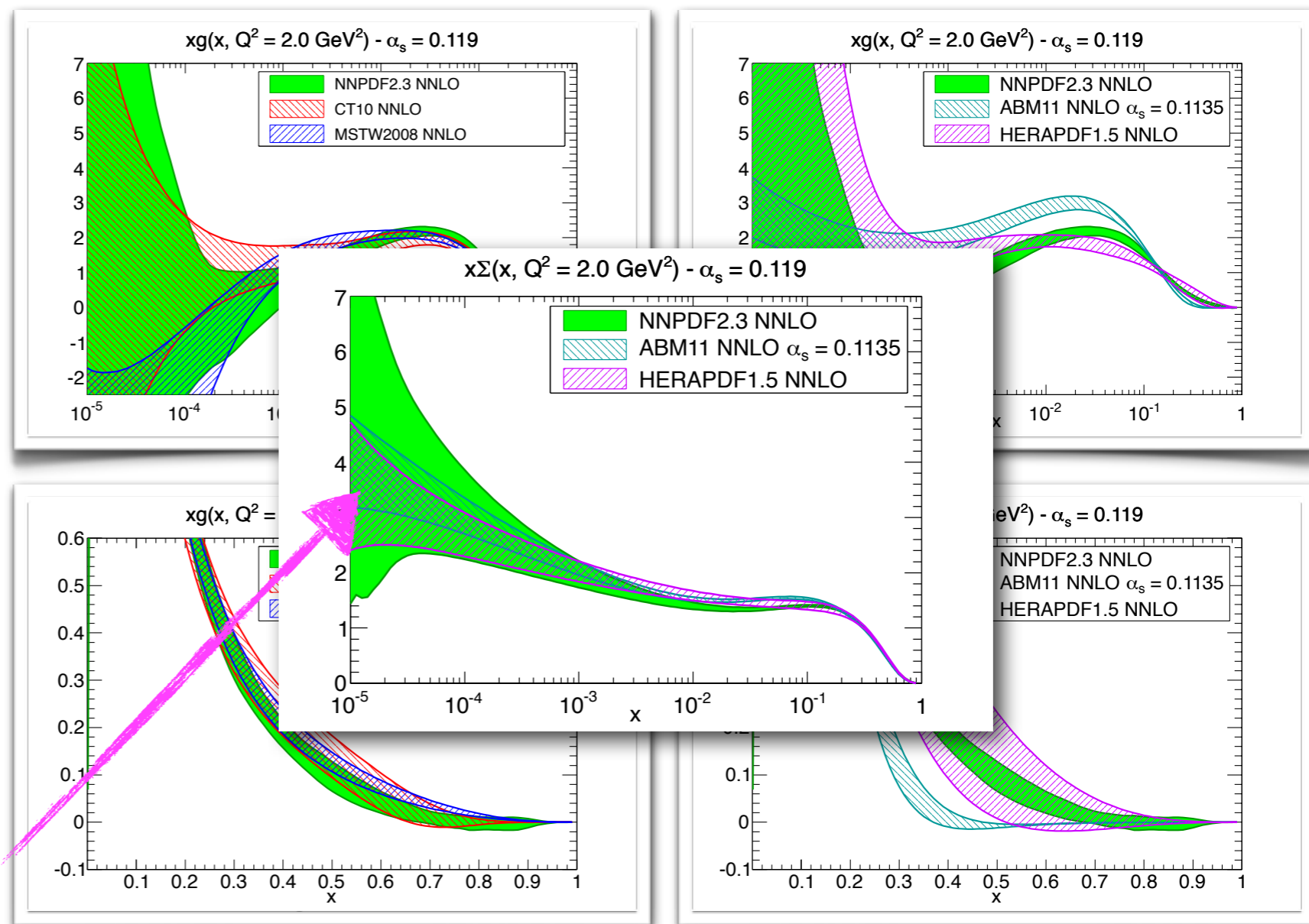
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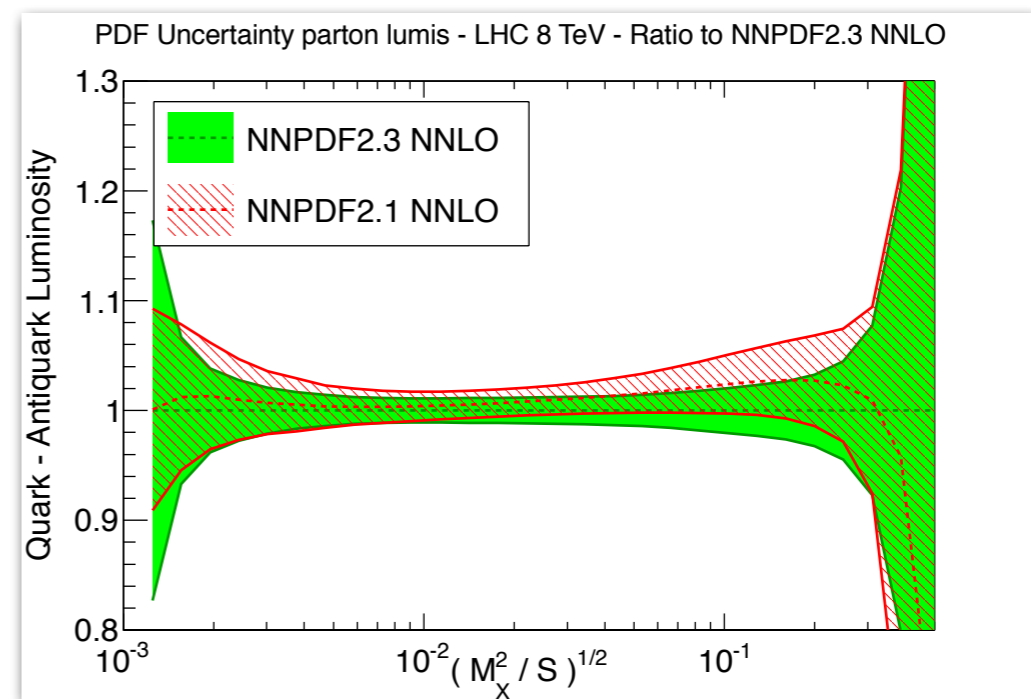
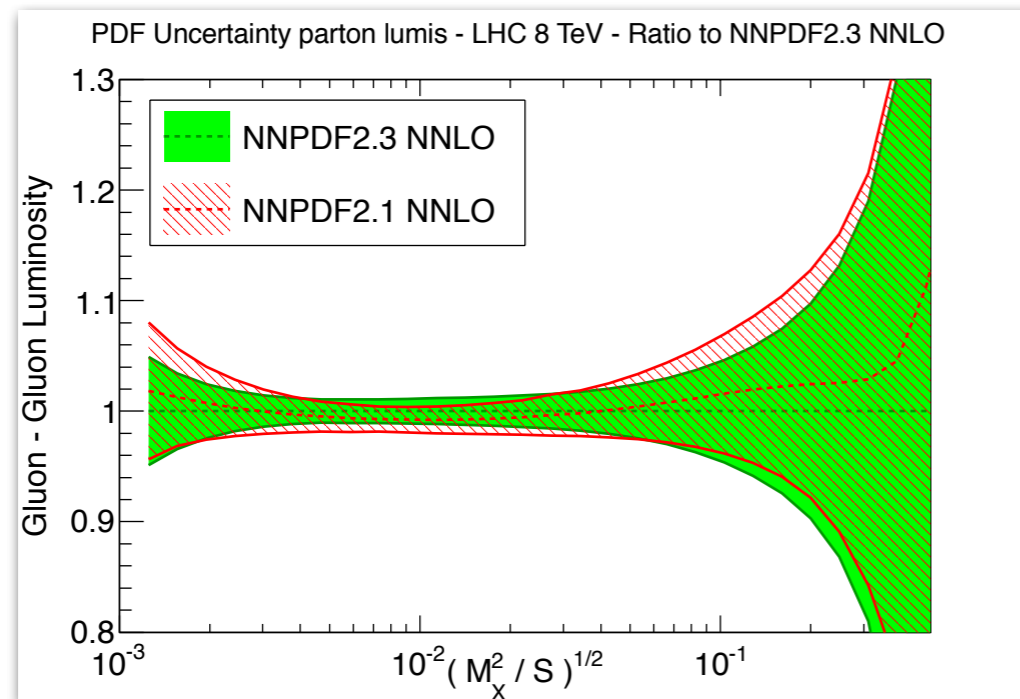


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## *Parton Luminosity: 2.3 vs. 2.1*

At hadron colliders observables depend on **parton luminosities**:

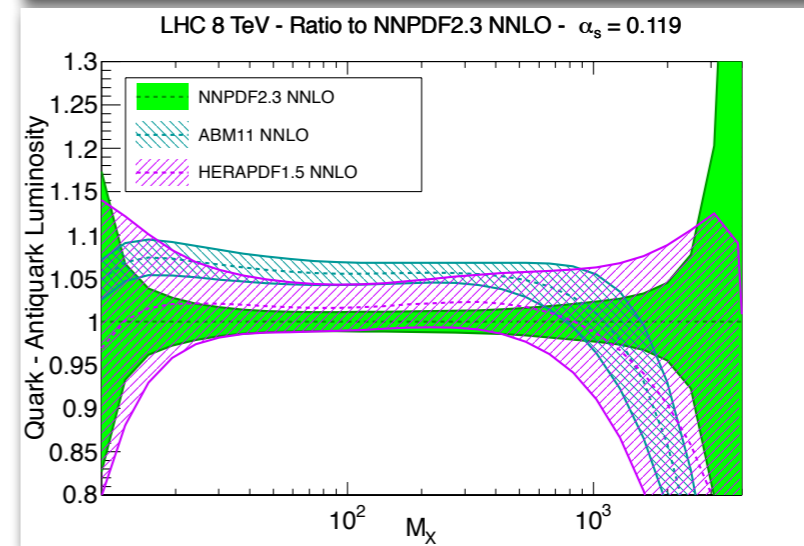
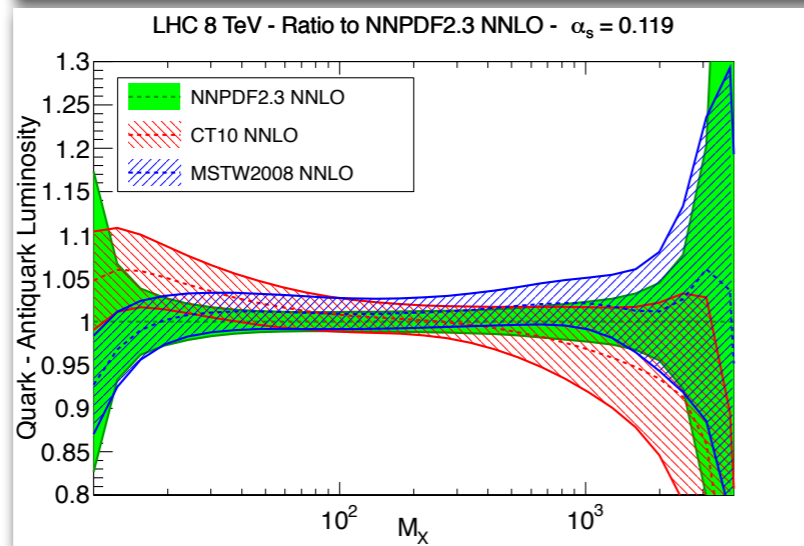
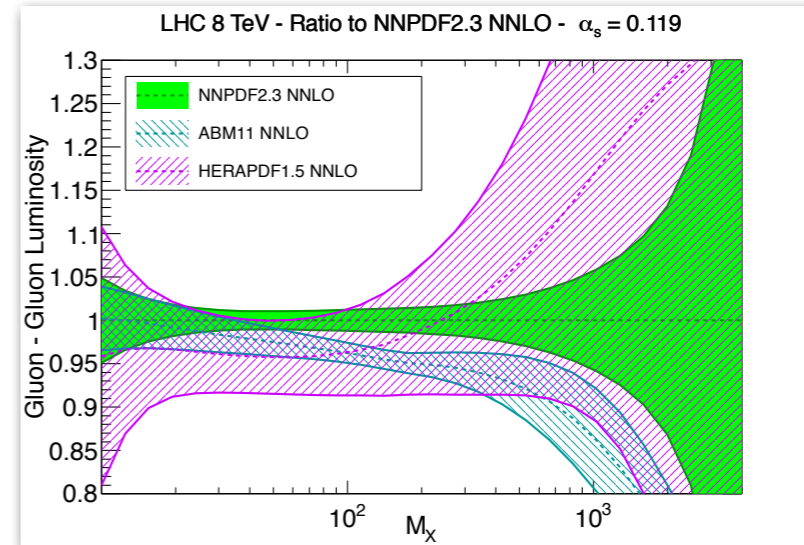
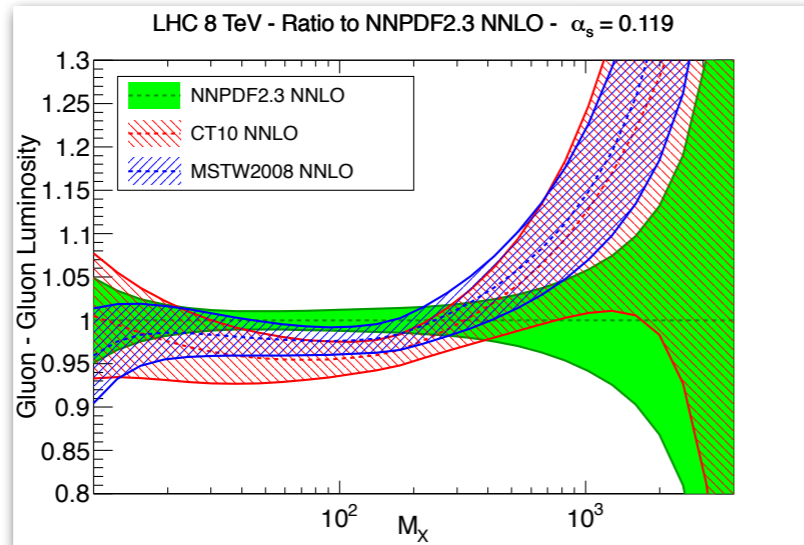
$$\Phi_{ij}(M_X^2) = \frac{1}{s} \int_{\tau}^1 \frac{dx_1}{x_1} f_i(x_1, M_X^2) f_j(\tau/x_1, M_X^2)$$



- When going from NNPDF 2.1 to NNPDF 2.3, the **gluon-gluon** luminosity:
  - stable in the Standard Model Higgs/Top region [ $M_X/\sqrt{s} \approx 1.5 - 2 \times 10^{-2}$ ]
  - reduction of the uncertainty for larger final state invariant masses.

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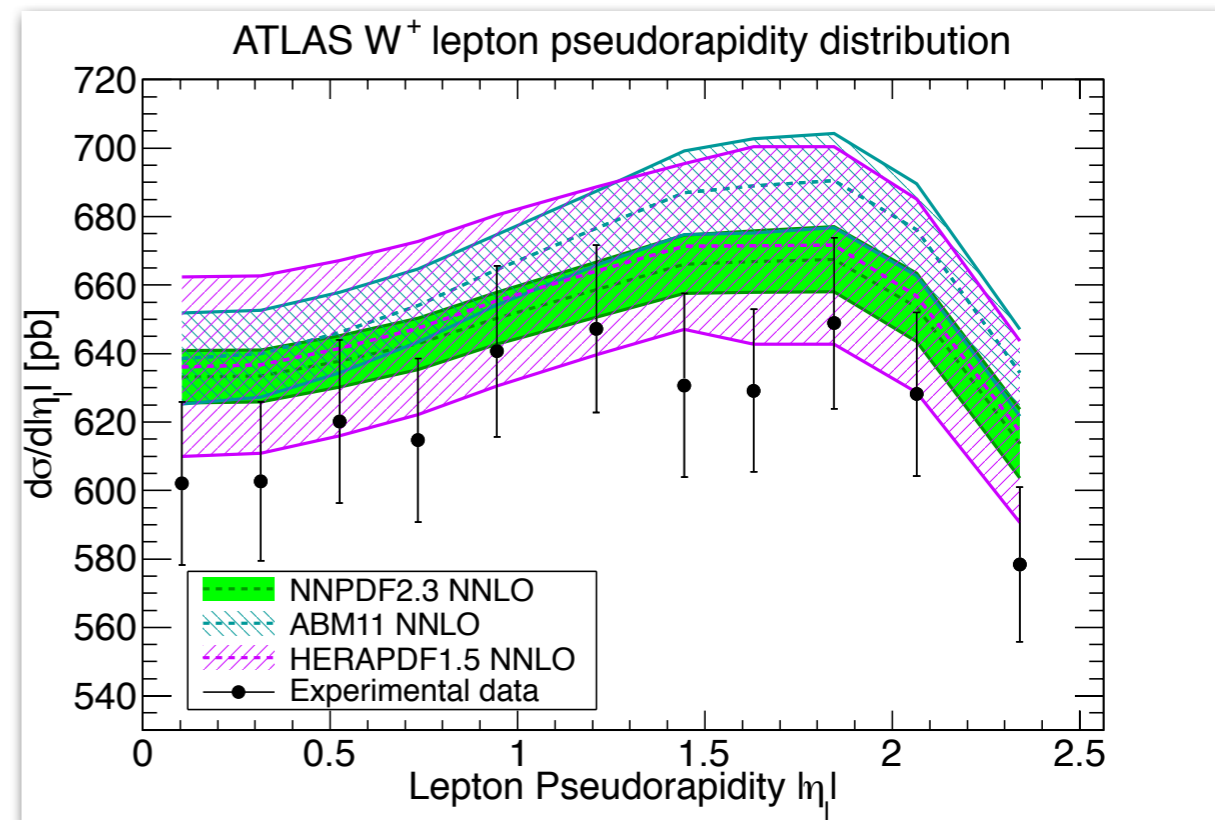
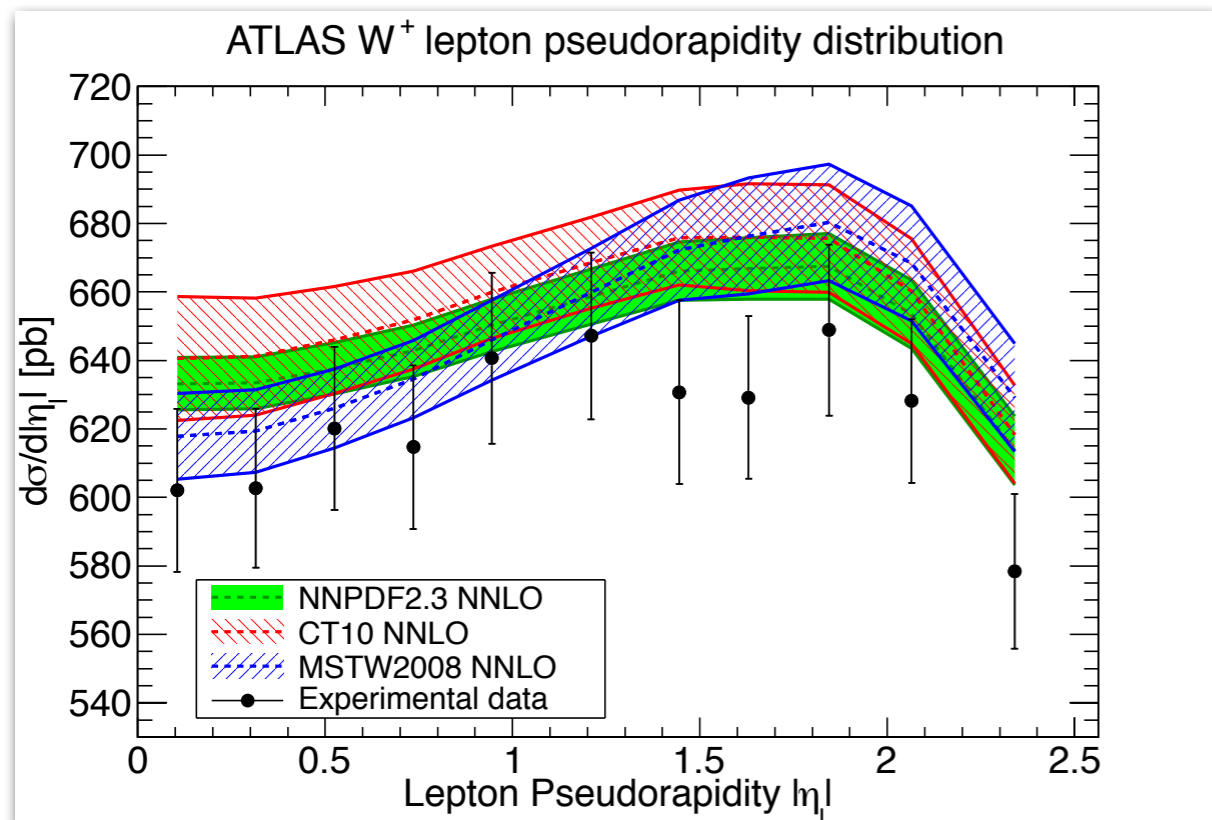
## Parton Luminosity: NNPDF vs. other collaborations



- **Global fits in good agreement** all over the relevant range of invariant mass,
- **larger differences** between **NNPDF** and **ABM** even using the same value for  $\alpha_s$ ,
- **HERAPDF** in **general agreement** with **NNPDF** but larger uncertainty.

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## Phenomenology: Differential Distributions

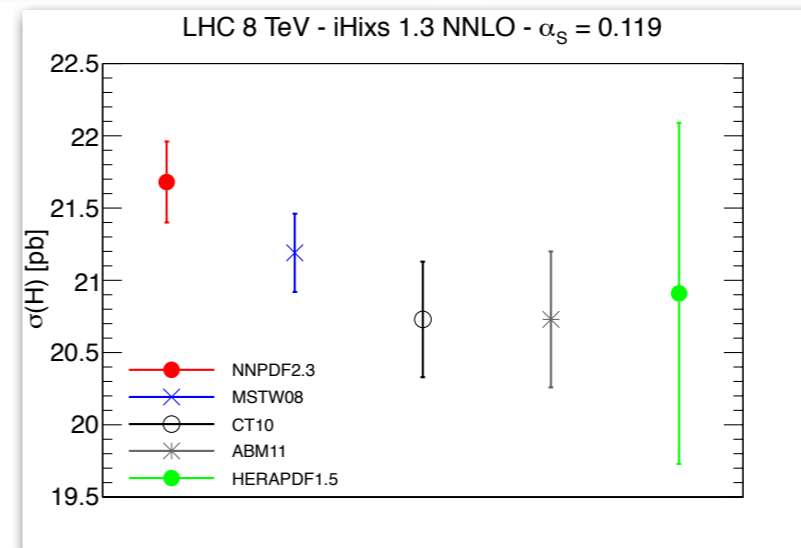
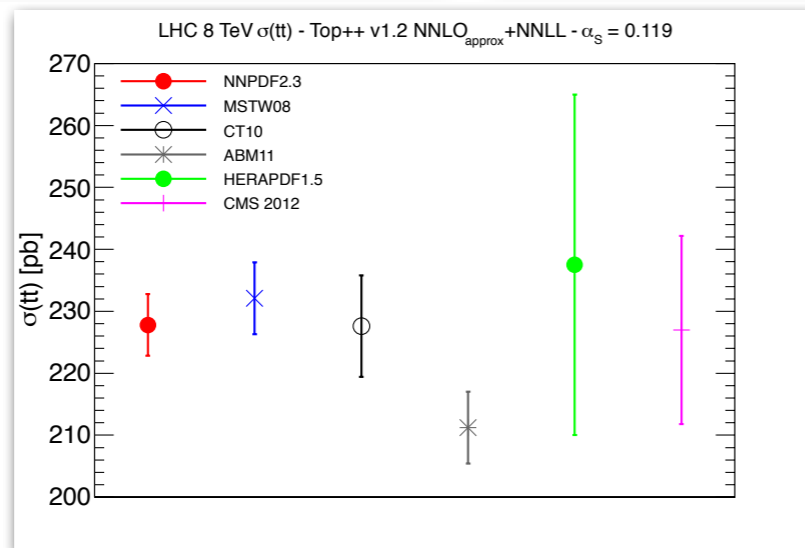
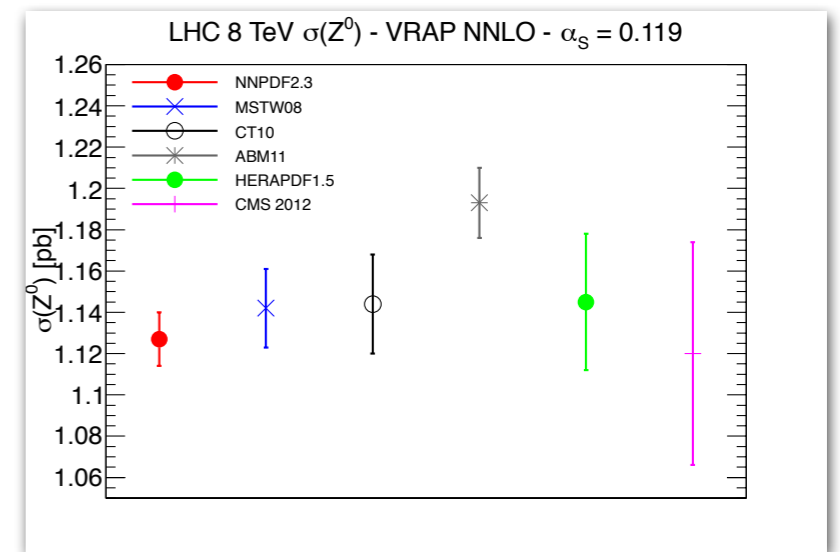
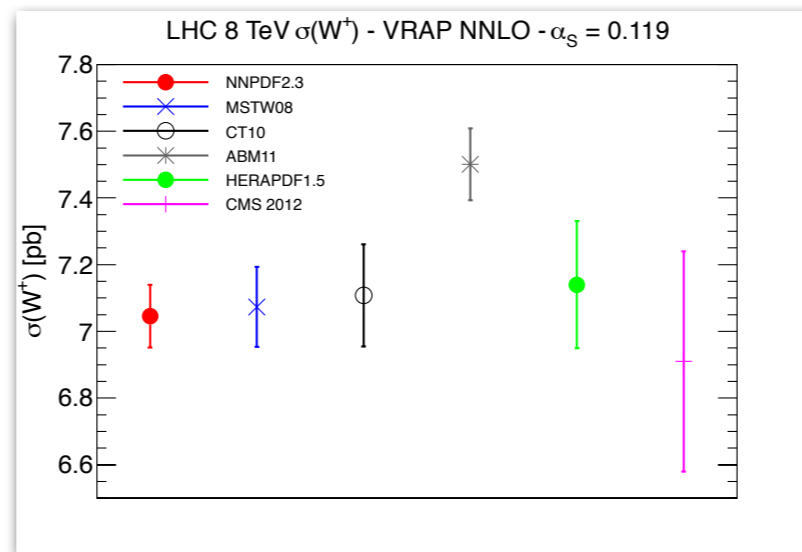
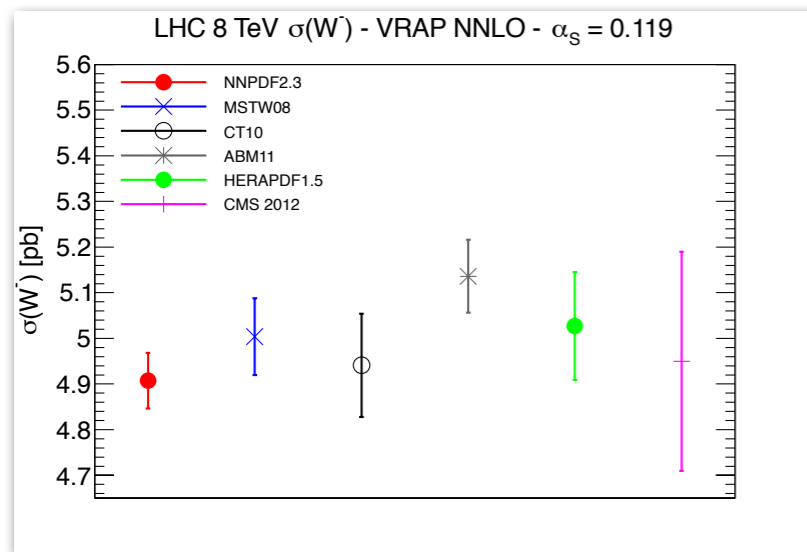


Dataset	NNPDF2.3	MSTW08	CT10	ABM11	HERAPDF1.5
ATLAS $W, Z$	1.46	3.20	1.16	2.06	1.87
CMS $W$ el asy	0.84	3.86	1.77	1.61	0.81
LHCb $W, Z$	0.89	1.09	0.98	2.04	0.80
ATLAS jets	1.41	1.47	1.54	1.52	1.61

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## Phenomenology: Inclusive Cross-sections at 8 TeV

- Theory predictions vs. first LHC measurements at 8 TeV:



General **good agreement** between all the **global** PDF sets and with data.

# Conclusions and Outlook

- The **NNPDF 2.3** is the **first PDF fit** including LHC data,
- **improvement** in the **fitting methodology** allowed by a faster observable computation,
- impact of the LHC data small but **non-negligible**.
- Inclusion of more LHC data and new processes:
  - $W + charm$  production for strangeness determination,
  - $top\ pair$  production for the large- $x$  gluon determination.

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All the NNPDF 2.3 sets are available from the LHAPDF interface and from the web site:

<http://nnpdf.hepforge.org/>

where also a `Mathematica` interface is provided.



# **Backup Slides**



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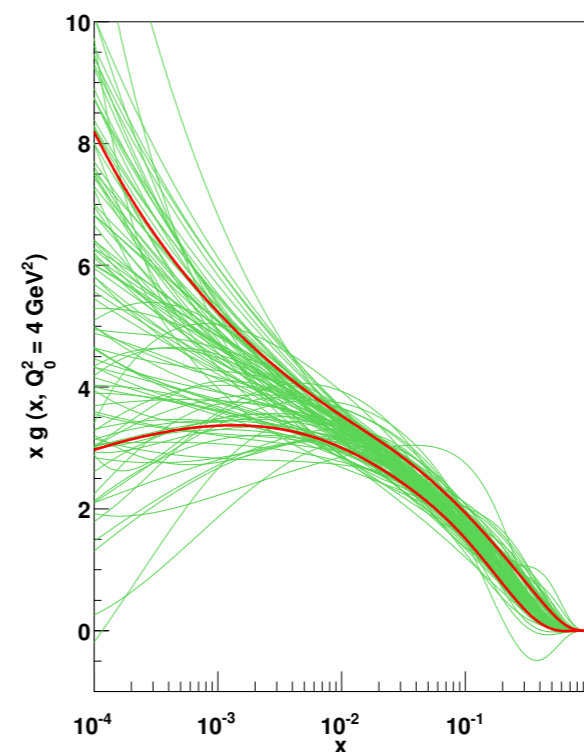
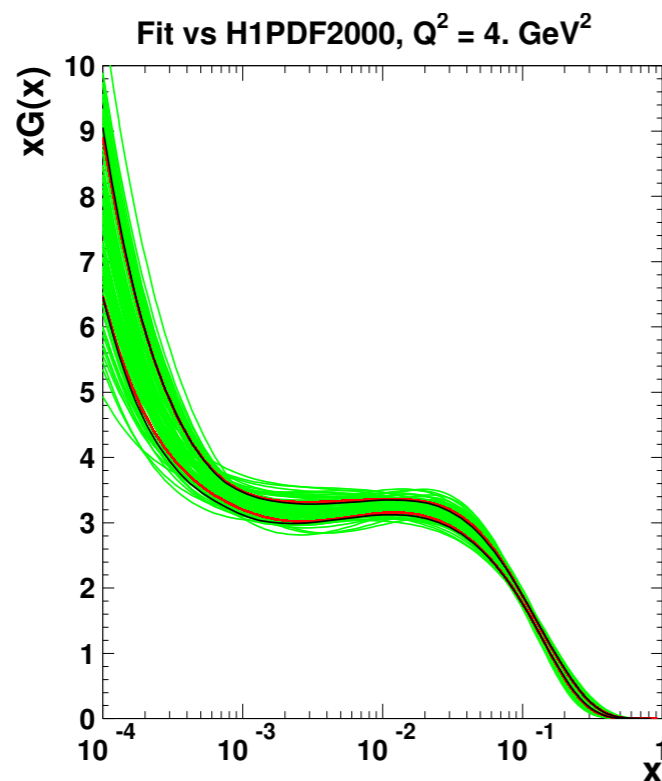
## *Main ingredients*

- **Monte Carlo** determination of **uncertainties**:
  - **no** need to rely on **linear propagation** of errors,
  - possibility to test the impact of **non-gaussian** uncertainties,
  - possibility to test for **non-gaussian behaviour** of fitted PDFs.
- Parametrization of PDFs using **Neural Networks**:
  - provide an **unbiased parametrization**.
- Determine the **best fit** PDFs using **Cross-Validation**:
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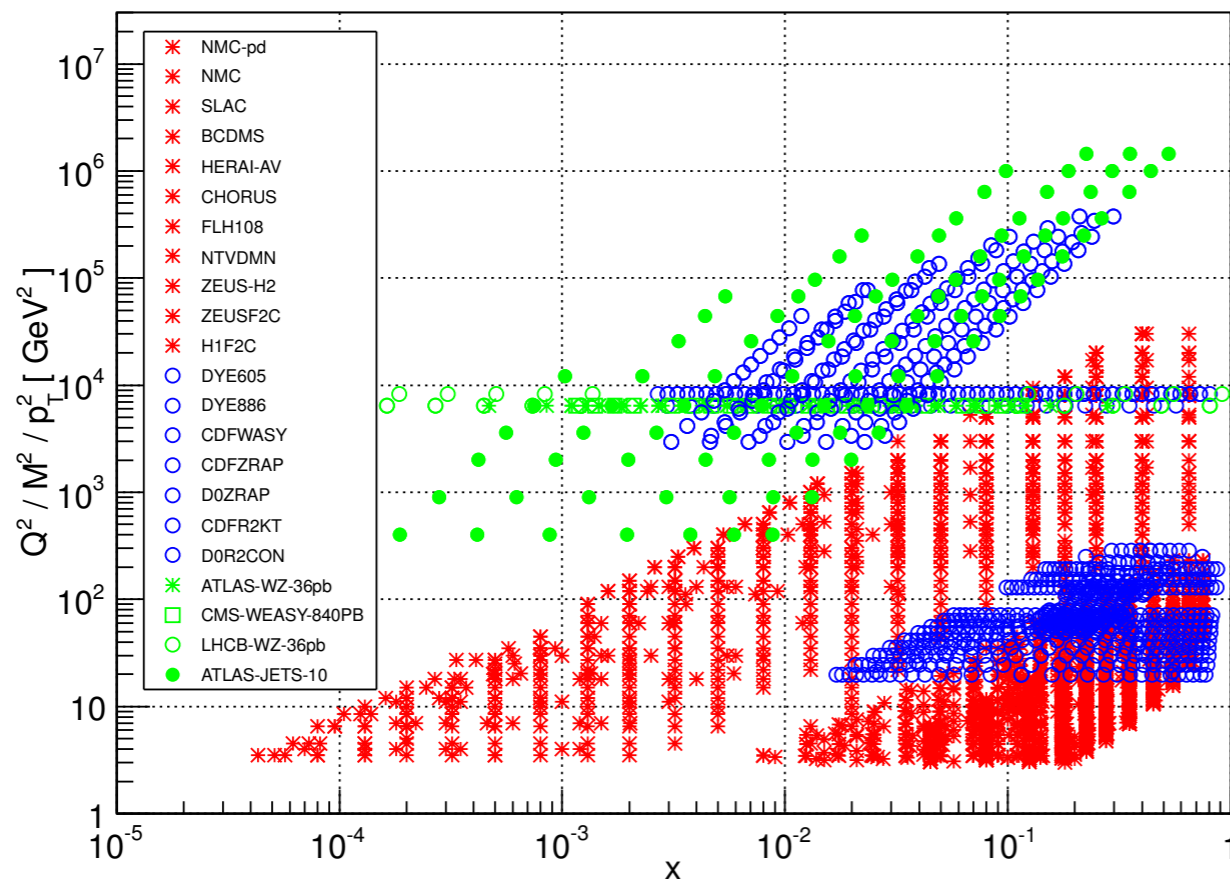
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- The dataset includes the relevant LHC data for which the **full covariance matrix** is available:
  - **ATLAS** Inclusive Jets,  $36 \text{ pb}^{-1}$   
[arXiv:1112.6297]
  - **ATLAS** W/Z lepton rapidity distributions,  $36 \text{ pb}^{-1}$   
[arXiv:1109.5141]
  - **CMS** W lepton asymmetry,  $840 \text{ pb}^{-1}$   
[arXiv:1206.2598]
  - **LHCb** W rapidity distributions,  $36 \text{ pb}^{-1}$   
[arXiv:1204.1620]

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*The Dataset: no LHC fit*

NNPDF2.3 dataset



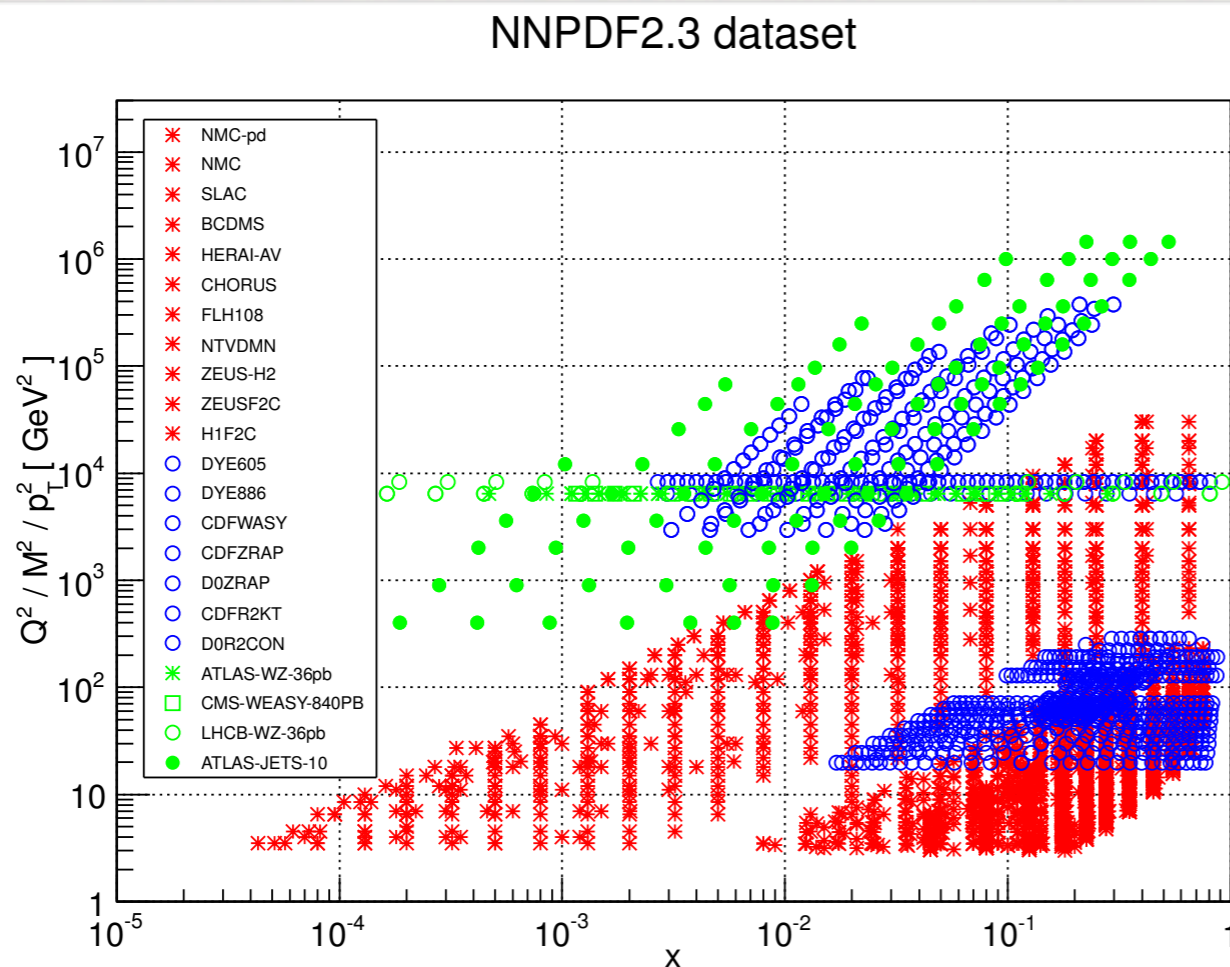
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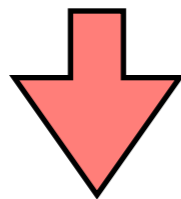
**1231 data points (NNLO)**

... to study the compatibility of the low energy data

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## *LHC data: Impact and consistency (NLO)*

Compare the quality of the fit to LHC data **before** and **after** the **inclusion**



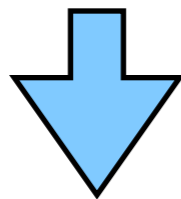
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NLO	NNPDF2.3noLHC	NNPDF2.3
Total	1.101	1.121
NMCpd	0,93	0,93
NMC	1,59	1,61
SLAC	1,28	1,26
BCDMS	1,20	1,19
HERA-I	1,01	1,00
CHORUS	1,09	1,10
NuTeV	0,42	0,45
DYE605	0,85	0,88
DYE866	1,24	1,28
CDFWASY	1,45	1,54
CDFZRAP	1,77	1,79
D0ZRAP	0,57	0,57
ATLAS-WZ	1,37	1,27
CMS-WEASY	1,50	1,04
LHCb-WZ	1,24	1,21
CDFR2KT	0,60	0,61
D0R2CON	0,84	0,84
ATLAS-JETS-2010	1,57	1,55

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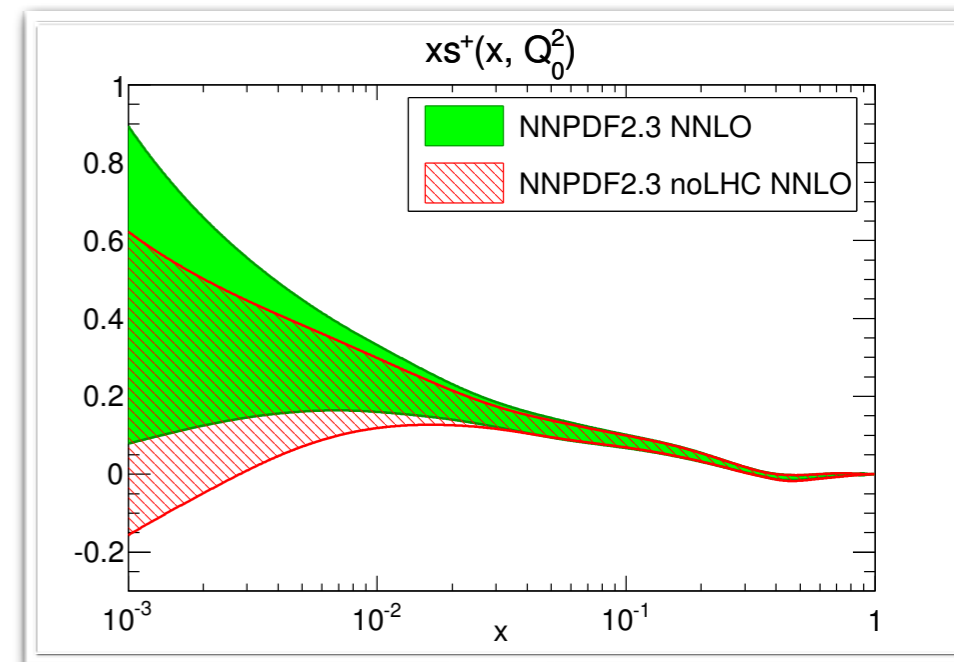
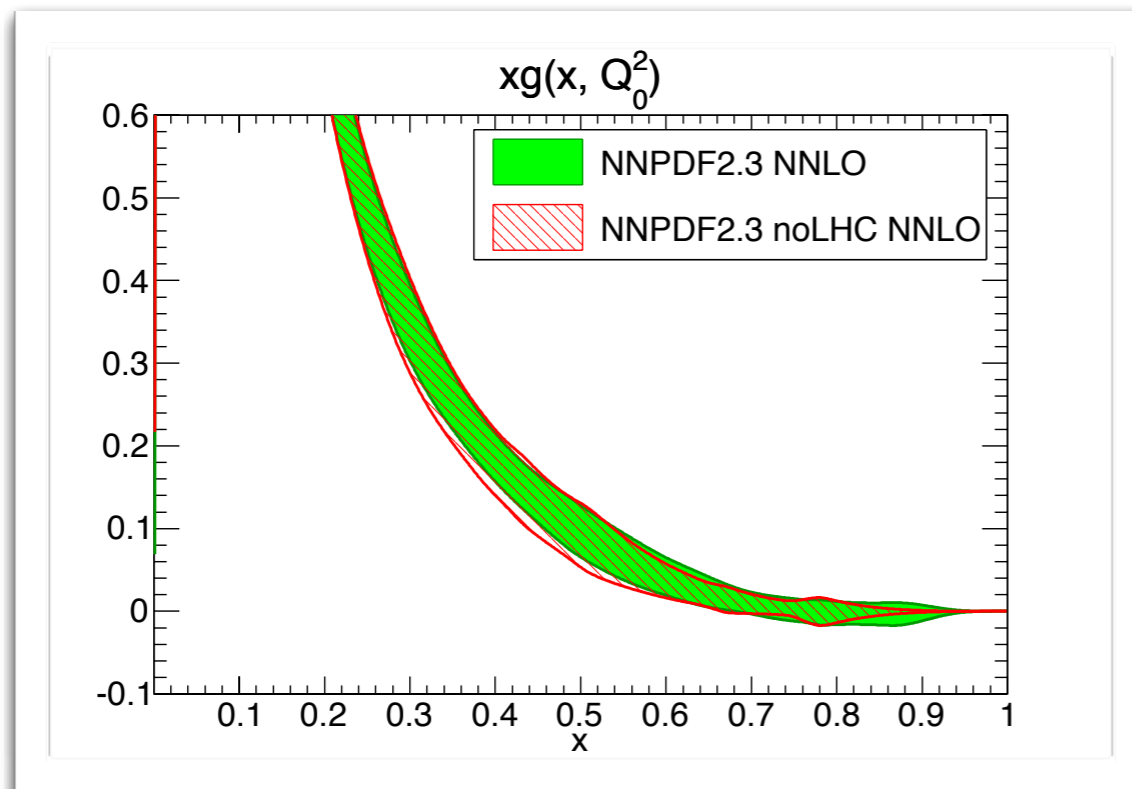
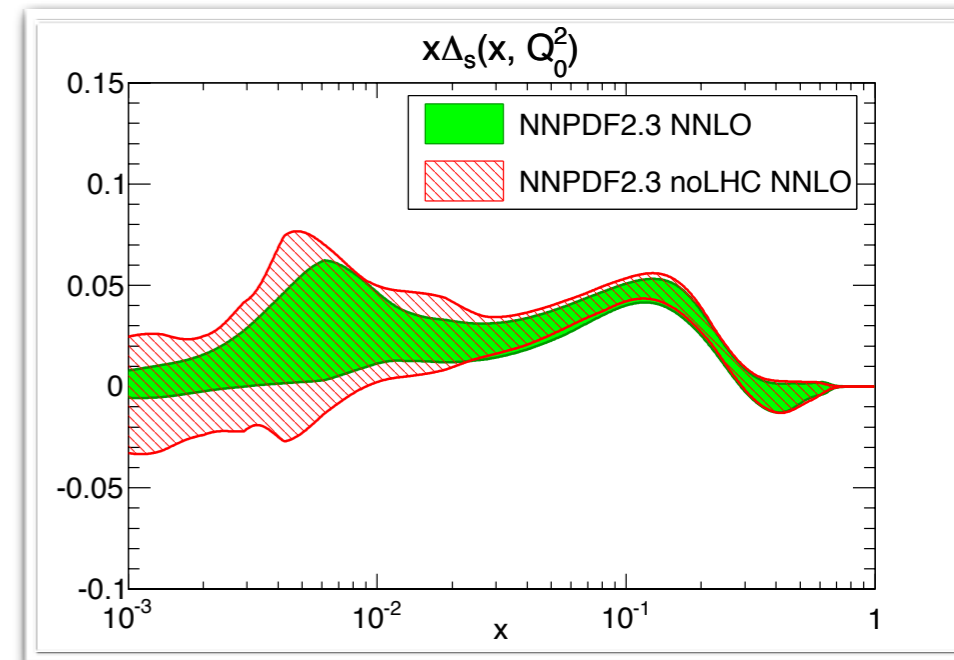
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SLAC	1,04	1,02
BCDMS	1,28	1,29
HERA-I	1,03	1,01
CHORUS	1,07	1,06
NuTeV	0,48	0,55
DYE605	1,07	1,02
DYE866	1,61	1,62
CDFWASY	1,66	1,70
CDFZRAP	2,15	2,12
D0ZRAP	0,64	0,63
ATLAS-WZ	1,94	1,46
CMS-WEASY	1,37	0,96
LHCb-WZ	1,33	1,22
CDFR2KT	0,67	0,67
D0R2CON	0,94	0,93
ATLAS-JETS-2010	1,45	1,42

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## *LHC data: Parton distributions*

- More accurate light quark **flavor decomposition**:
  - due to the **LHC electroweak boson production** data.
- Reduction of the uncertainty in the **large  $x$  gluon**:
  - due to the **ATLAS jet** data.

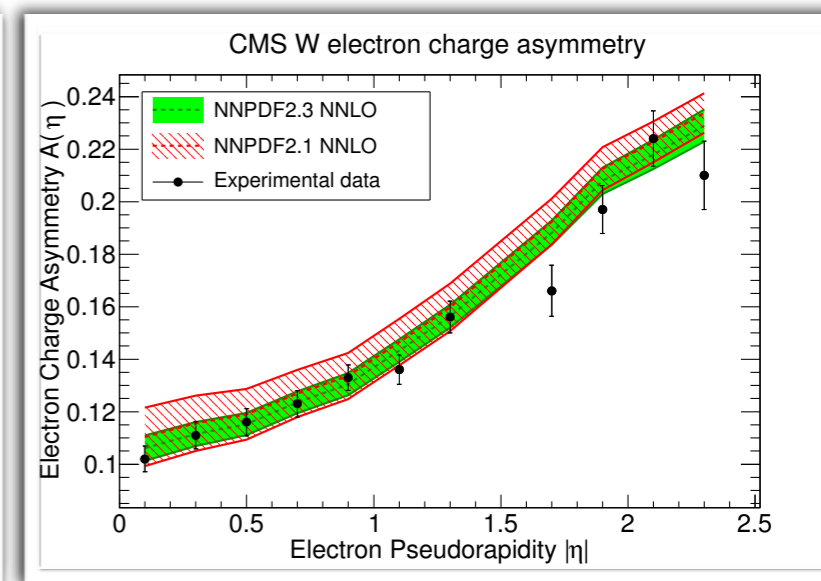
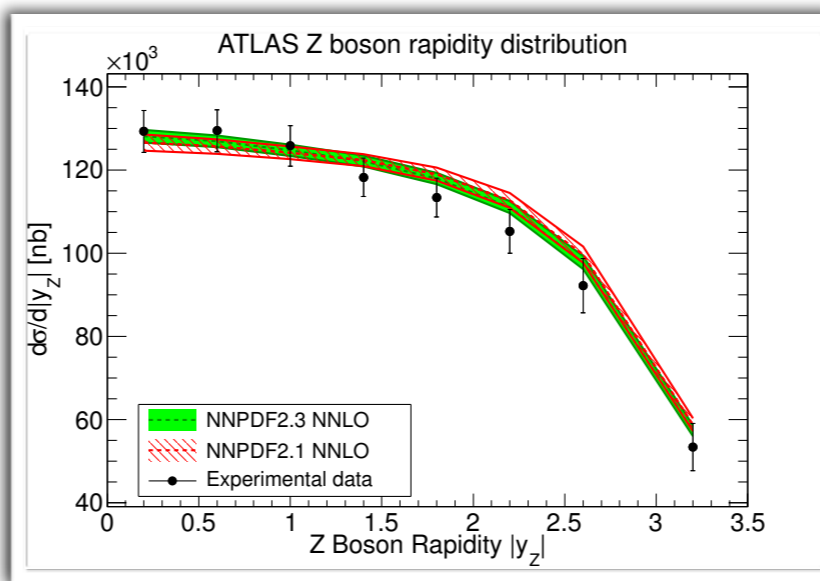
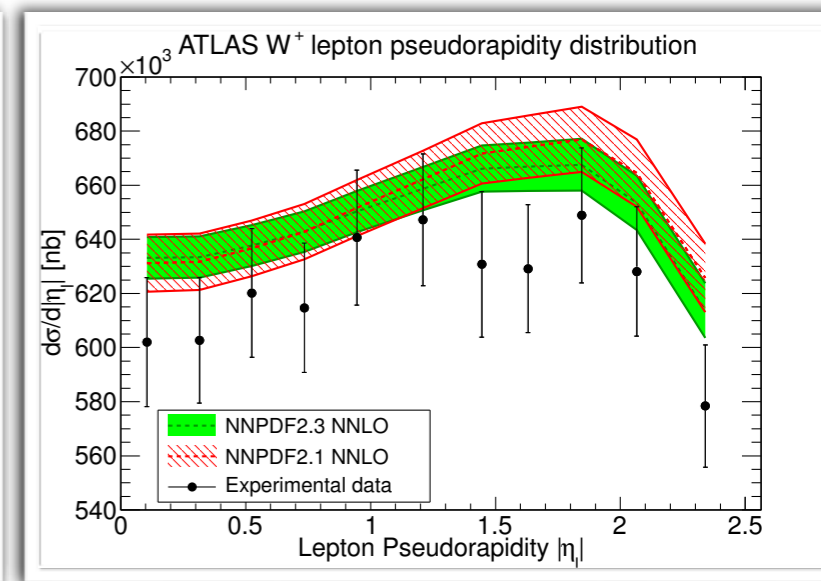
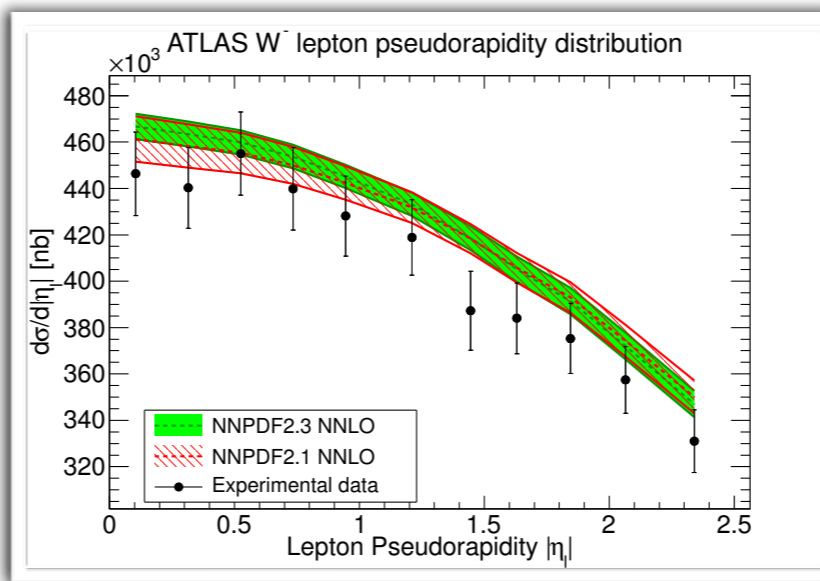




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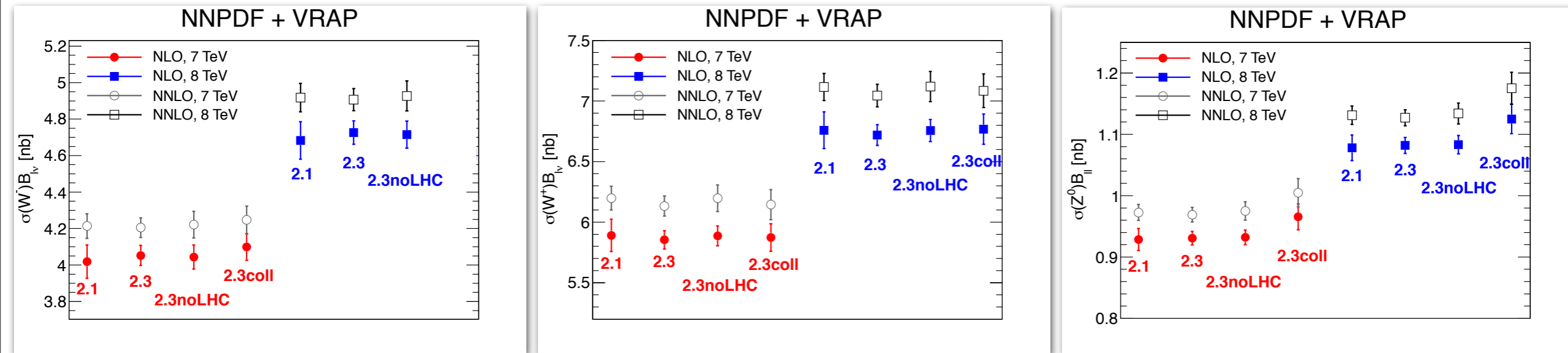
## LHC data: Observables

- Predictions for the LHC data already **acceptable before** including them in the fit.
- **Quite good** description of the LHC data **after** the inclusion in the fit.
- Substantial **reduction of the uncertainty** on the observable predictions.



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## Phenomenology: $W/Z$ production

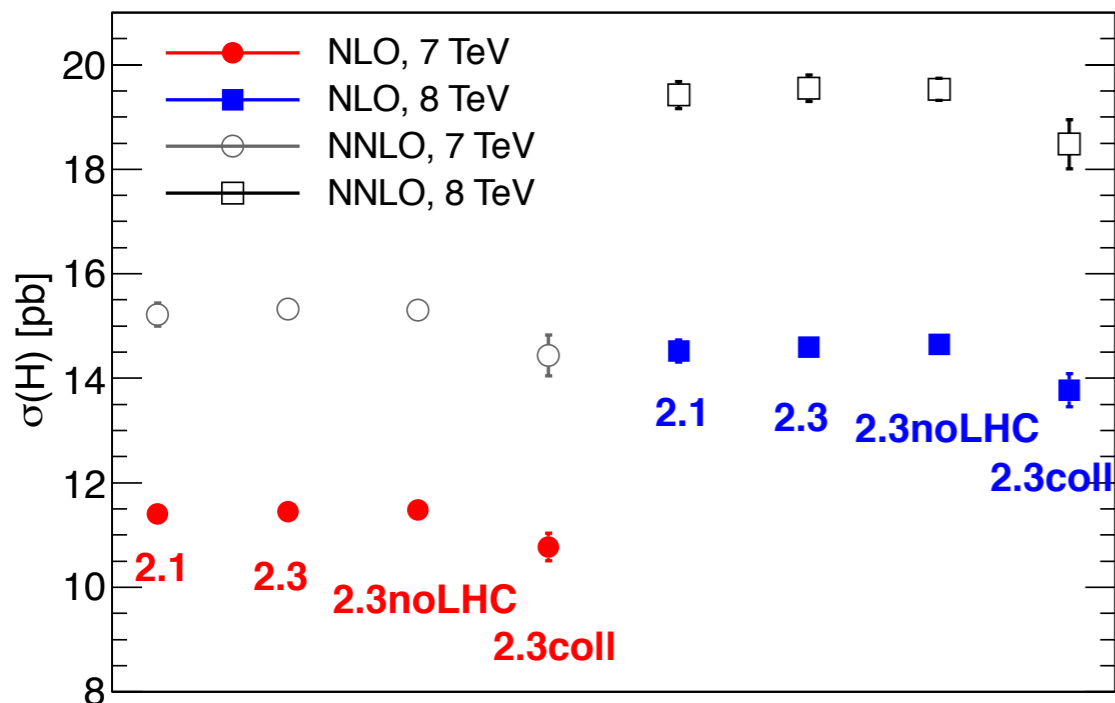


- Only PDF uncertainties shown,
- $W$  and  $Z$  production mostly sensitive to the **quark-antiquark** luminosity,
- predictions with NNPDF 2.1 and NNPDF 2.3 **always compatible**,
- the **accuracy increases** when going from NNPDF 2.1 to 2.3:
  - partly due to the improved methodology (NNPDF 2.1 vs. NNPDF 2.3 noLHC),
  - partly due to the inclusion of the LHC data (NNPDF 2.3 vs. NNPDF 2.3 noLHC).

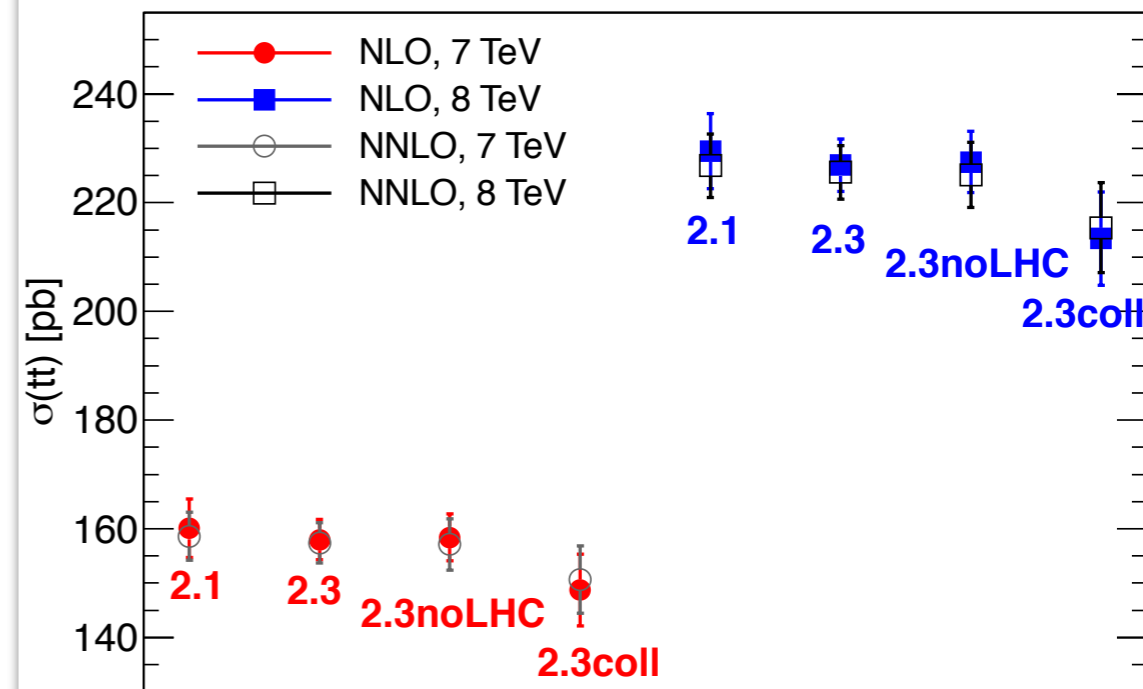
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## Phenomenology: Top & Higgs production

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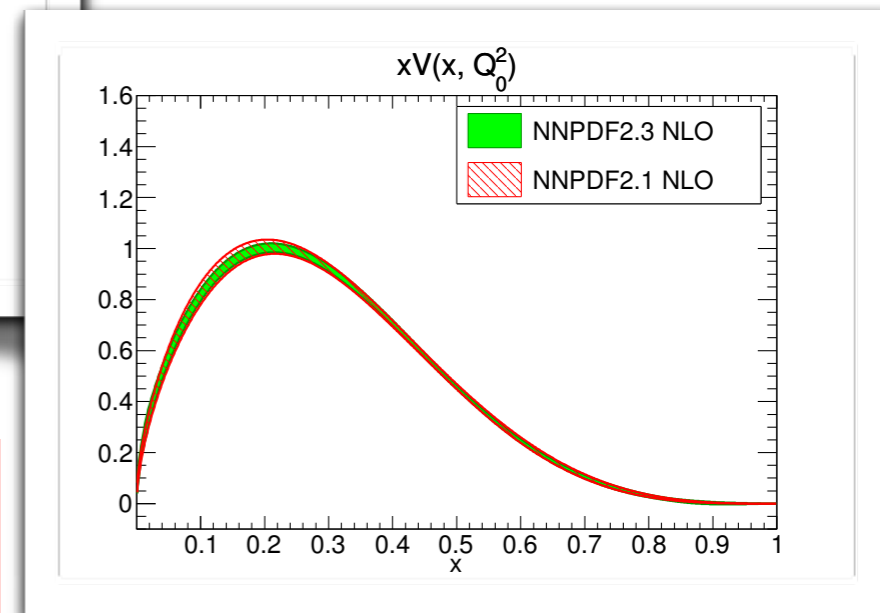
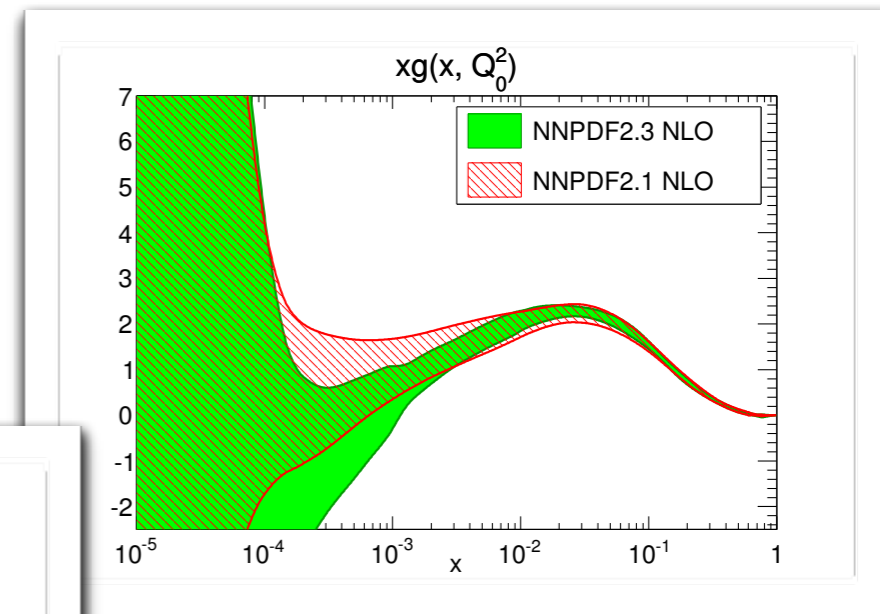
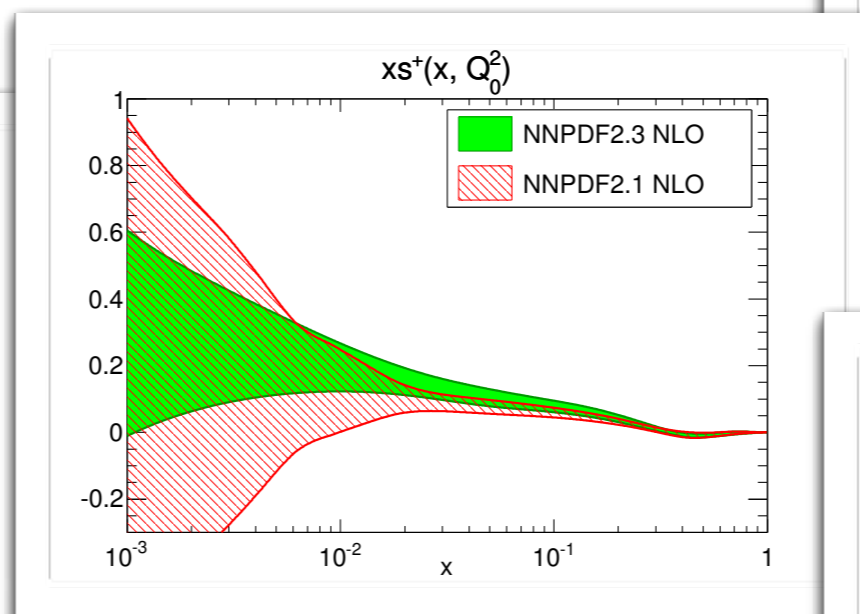
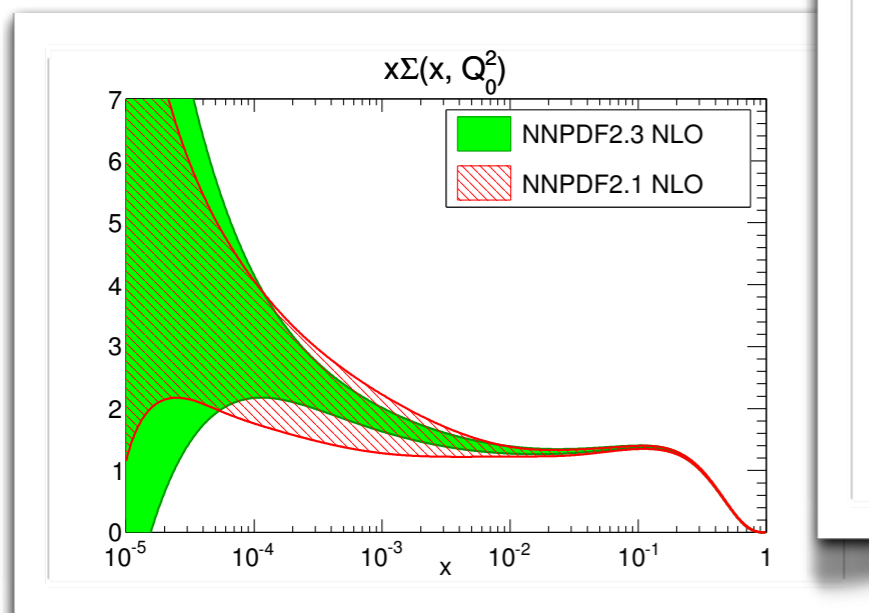


- Only PDF uncertainties shown,
- *Top* and *Higgs* production mostly sensitive to the **gluon-gluon** luminosity,
- predictions with NNPDF 2.1 and NNPDF 2.3 **always compatible**.

# NNPDF 2.3

## Parton Distributions: 2.3 vs. 2.1

- Addition of the **LHC data**,
- improved **minimization**,
- corrected error in the **di-muon cross-section**.



- Marked improvement of the fit quality at NLO,
- changes at the **half sigma** level for all PDFs,
- consequence of the **improved minimization**.