

# Little is known about the strange sea

QCD analysis of the ATLAS and CMS  $W_{\pm}$  and Z  
cross-section measurements and implications for  
the strange sea density

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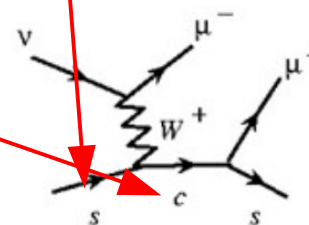
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# Motivation

- PDFs fits  $x \sim 0.01$  mainly constrained by HERA: light flavor quarks and antiquarks
- Flavor composition of total light sea not well determined by HERA data alone
  - in particular little is known about strange sea

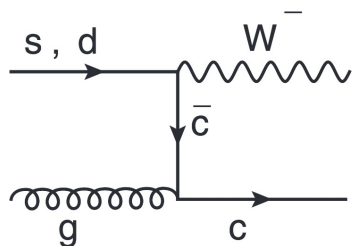
- This comes from di-muon production in neutrino induced deep inelastic scattering
  - sensitive to uncertainties from charm fragmentation and nuclear corrections



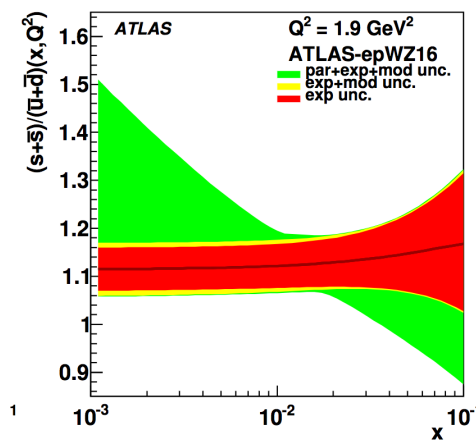
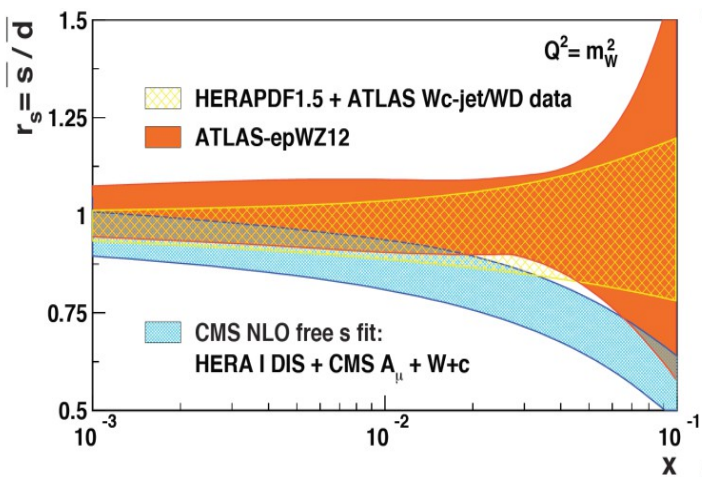
- Neutrino data suggest suppression of strange sea:

$$\bar{s}(x) = 0.5 \bar{d}(x)$$

- At LHC  $W+c$  data give information on strangeness BUT involve assumptions on charm jet fragmentation and hadronisation

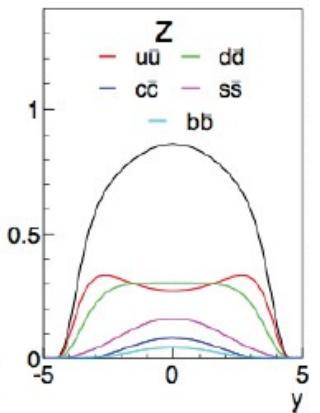


- CMS  $W+c$  charm analysis supports suppression
- ATLAS  $W+c$  charm analysis finds no suppression
- New ATLAS inclusive  $W/Z$  production finds no suppression

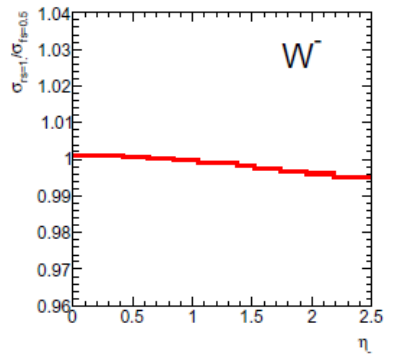
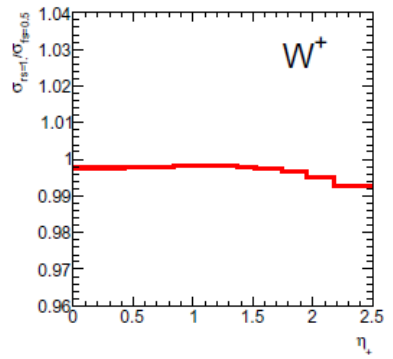
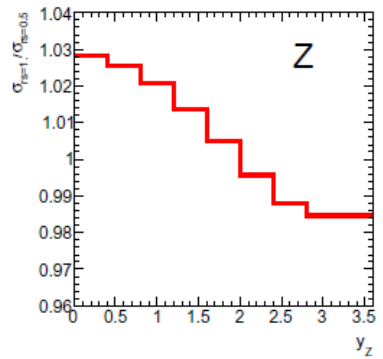


- Drell-Yan process and DIS are theoretically best understood processes  
 → Interesting to investigate if this disagreement is present for the inclusive Drell Yan data of ATLAS and CMS

$s\bar{b}(x) = 0.5 d\bar{b}(x)$  →  $s\bar{b}(x) = d\bar{b}(x)$



small effect ~ 4%  
 → can we see it?  
 → yes we can!



**Main fit - CSKK - includes inclusive DY production**

- CMS Z @ 7 TeV CMS Collaboration, JHEP 12 (2013) 030, [arXiv:1310.7291].
- CMS W asymmetries @ 7 TeV CMS Collaboration, Phys. Rev. D 90 (2014) 032004, [arXiv:1312.6283].
- CMS W<sup>±</sup> cross sections @ 8 TeV CMS Collaboration, Eur. Phys. J. C 76 (2016) 469, [arXiv:1603.01803].
- ATLAS W and Z cross sections from one data sets - correlations ATLAS Collaboration, Eur. Phys. J. C 77 367 (2017), [arXiv:1612.03016]  
 → for all Z data we use only Z-mass-peak measurements  
 → off-peak Z data & CMS Z @ 8 TeV used as cross check

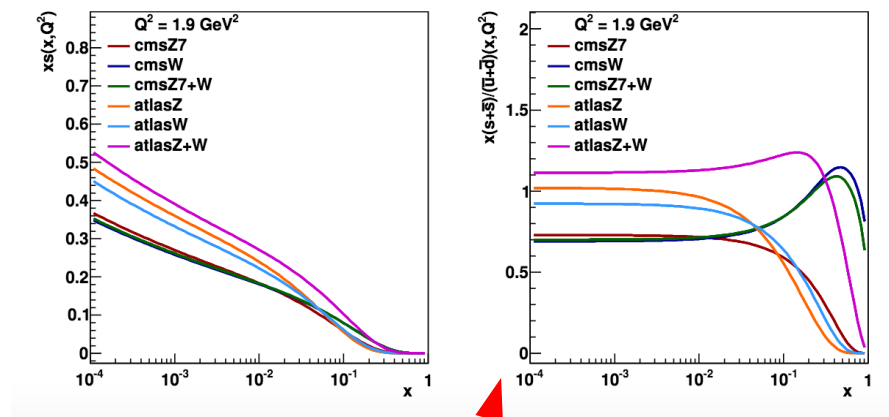
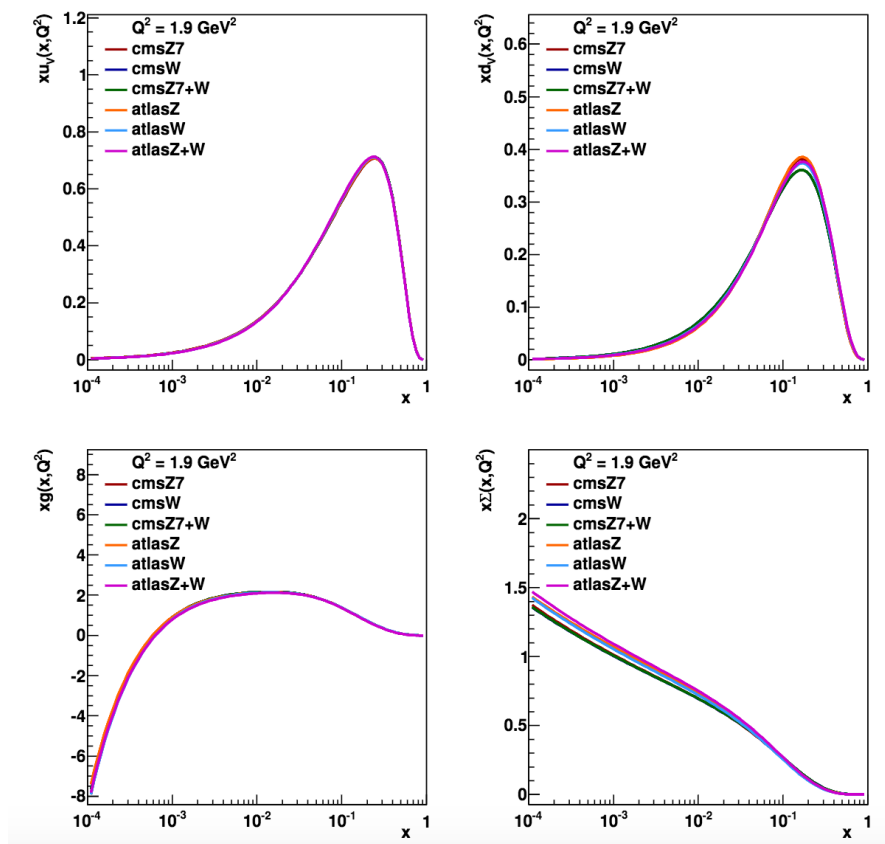
# QCD analysis

- QCD analysis at NNLO, following ATLAS paper, using xFitter + independent code
  - RTOPT,  $Q^2$  of HERA data from  $7.5 \text{ GeV}^2$
  - K-factors, APPLGRID predictions
- Parameterisation: 15 free parameters, 2 for strange sea
  - Chosen after parameterisation scan

$$\begin{aligned}
 xu_v(x) &= A_{u_v} x^{B_{u_v}} (1-x)^{C_{u_v}} (1 + E_{u_v} x^2), \\
 xd_v(x) &= A_{d_v} x^{B_{d_v}} (1-x)^{C_{d_v}}, \\
 x\bar{u}(x) &= A_{\bar{u}} x^{B_{\bar{u}}} (1-x)^{C_{\bar{u}}}, \\
 x\bar{d}(x) &= A_{\bar{d}} x^{B_{\bar{d}}} (1-x)^{C_{\bar{d}}}, \\
 xg(x) &= A_g x^{B_g} (1-x)^{C_g} - A'_g x^{B'_g} (1-x)^{C'_g}, \\
 x\bar{s}(x) &= A_{\bar{s}} x^{B_{\bar{s}}} (1-x)^{C_{\bar{s}}},
 \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

where  $A_{\bar{u}} = A_{\bar{d}}$  and  $B_{\bar{s}} = B_{\bar{d}} = B_{\bar{u}}$ . Given the enhanced sensitivity to the strange-quark distribution through the ATLAS data,  $A_{\bar{s}}$  and  $C_{\bar{s}}$  appear as free parameters, assuming  $s = \bar{s}$ . The experimental data uncertainties are propagated to the extracted QCD fit parameters using the asymmetric Hessian method based on the iterative procedure of Ref. [128], which provides an estimate of the corresponding PDF uncertainties.

# Fits to CMS & ATLAS data separately

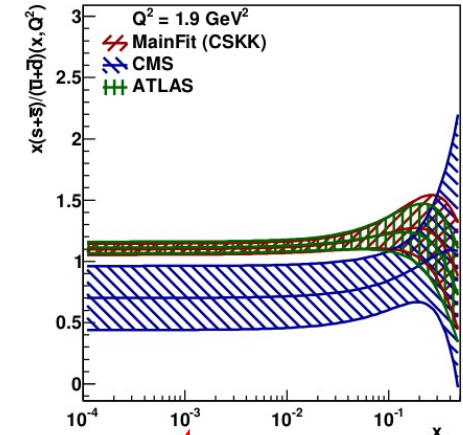
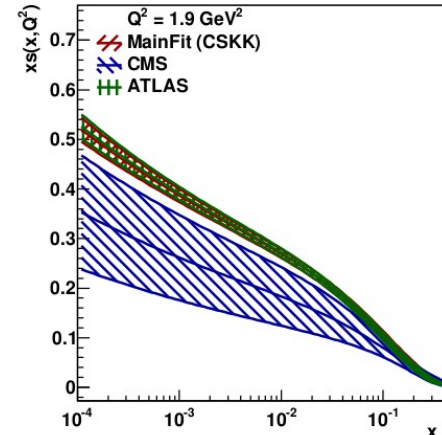
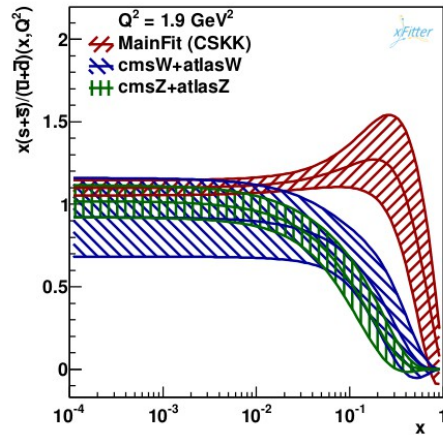
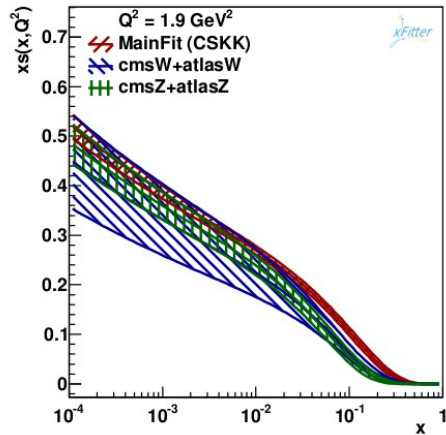


This ratio is unity if strange quarks are not suppressed in relation to light quarks and is  $\sim 0.5$  for the conventional level of suppression.

- Valence, gluon and total sea similar
- Break-up of sea - sensitive to LHC data - different for CMS and ATLAS
- at small  $x$  neither data support conventional level of suppression
- For  $x > 0.1$  parameterisation uncertainties usually large

# W .vs. Z

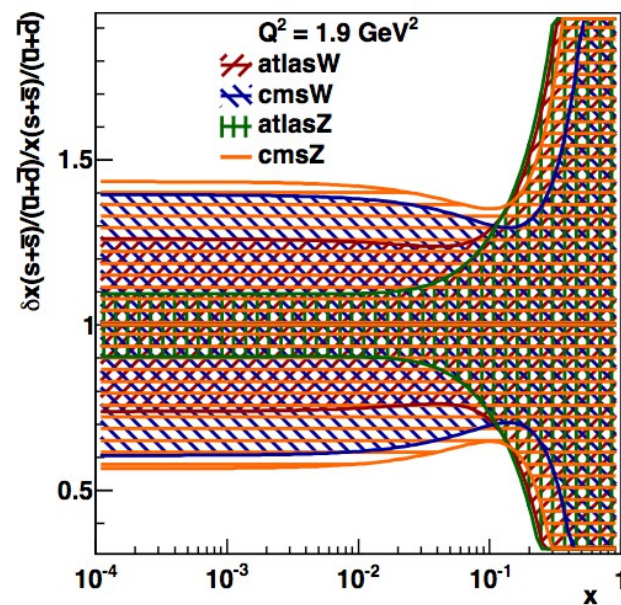
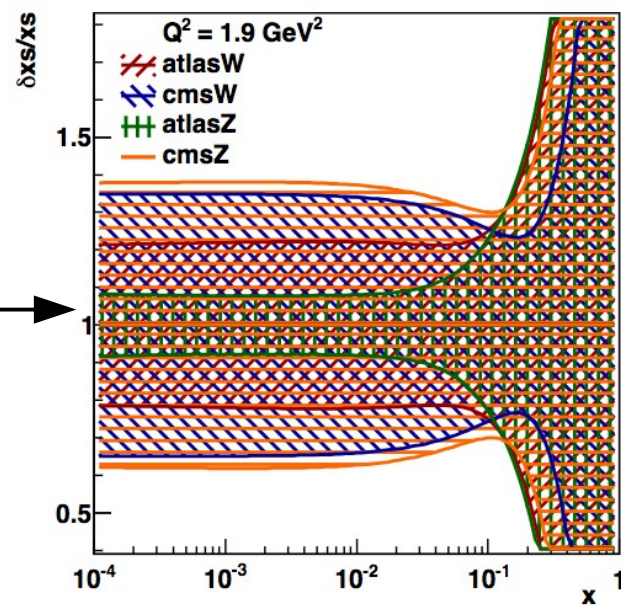
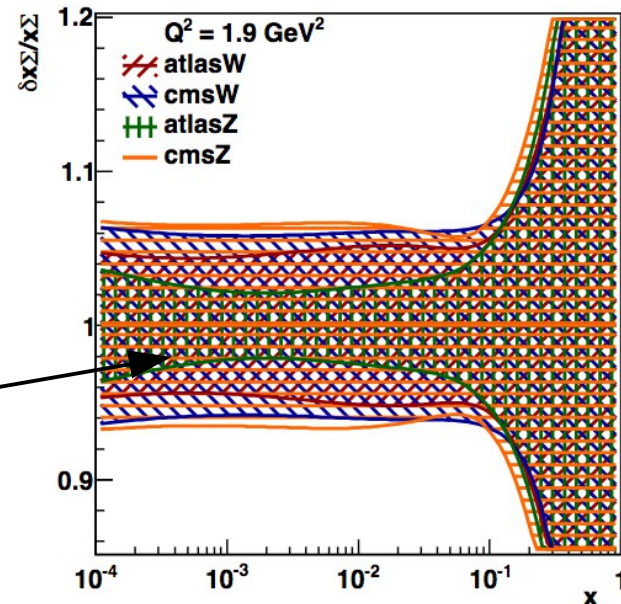
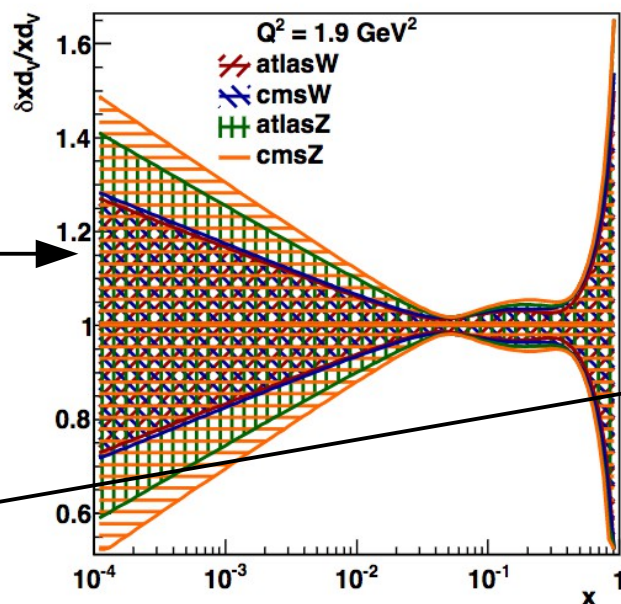
# ATLAS .vs. CMS



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- Valence quarks, gluon and total sea similar
- Flavor break up of sea is similar at small  $x$  for W and Z data separately
  - Most information comes from Z data
  - For ATLAS correlations between Z and W important
- For  $x \sim 0.01$  CMS ratio 1-2 sigma lower than ATLAS ratio
- However ALL configurations support unsuppressed strangeness  $> 0.5$

# Constraining power of various datasets

- Valence quarks best constrained by both CMS and ATLAS W data
- For total sea  $\Sigma$  ATLAS Z most constraining
  - followed by ATLAS W, CMS W and CMS Z
- Same ordering seen for  $u$ bar and  $d$ bar and is most pronounced for  $s$  and  $R_s$



# Fit quality

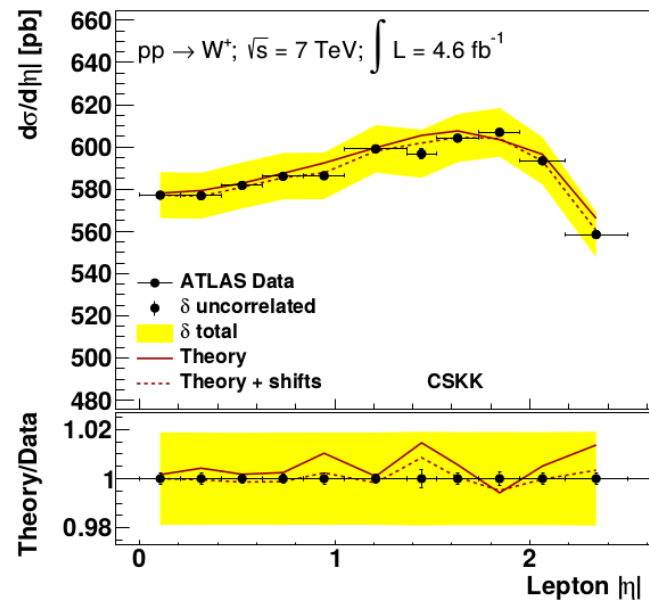
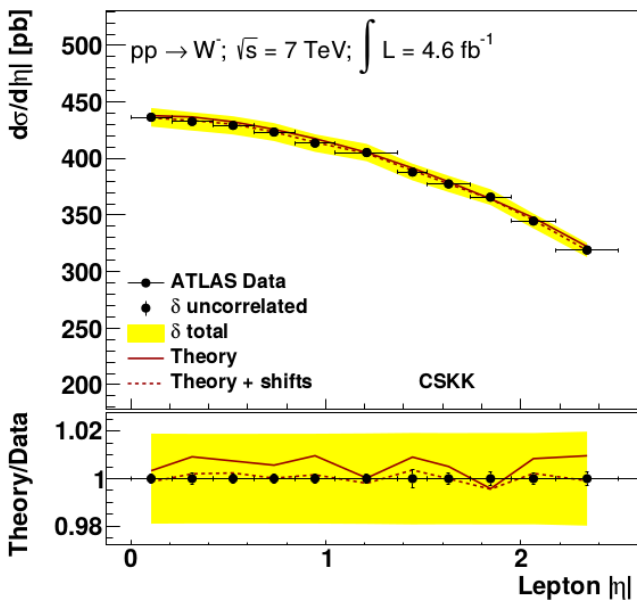
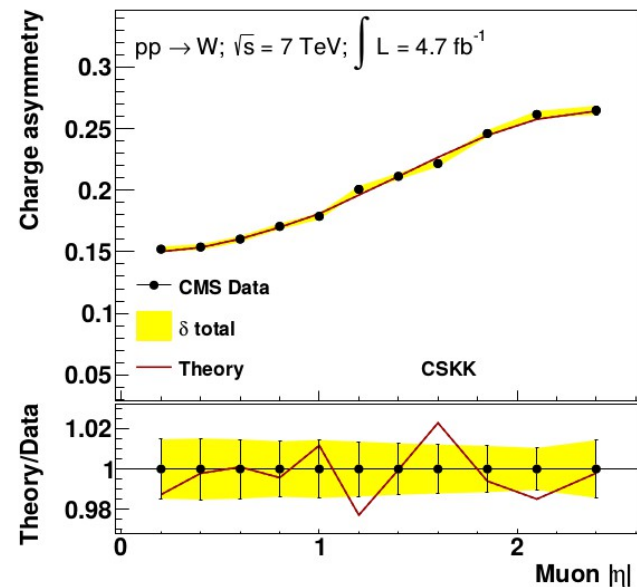
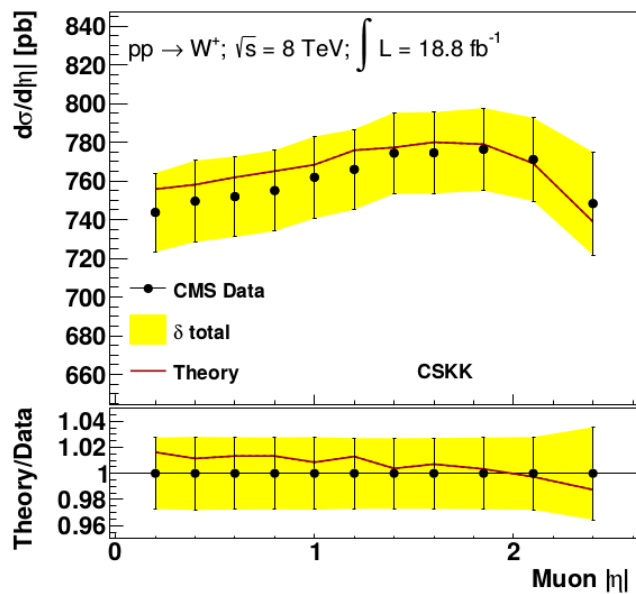
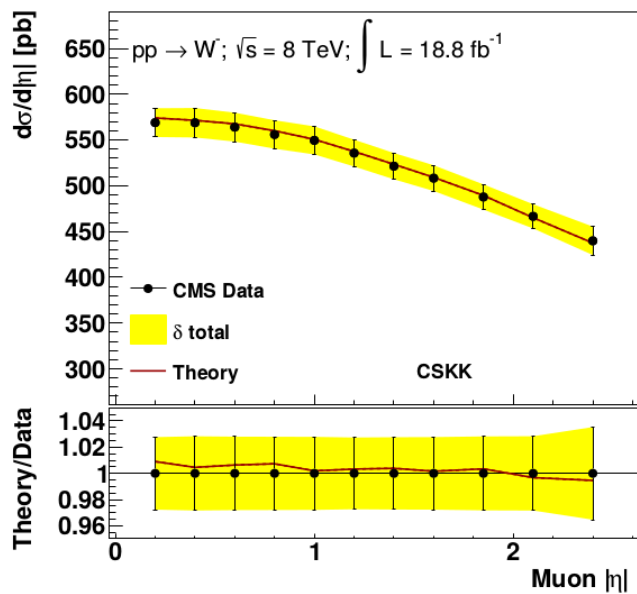
- Total and partial  $\chi^2$ s for W/Z data samples good
- ATLAS + CMS with central Z fit  $\rightarrow$  MainFit  $\rightarrow$  CSKK
- Clear that greater accuracy of ATLAS data dominates CSKK fit
  - combined fit has unsuppressed strangeness
- CMS data are not in tension with this result  $\rightarrow \chi^2$  for CMS data is still very good

	ATLAS and CMS W	ATLAS and CMS Z	ATLAS and CMS W and Z, CSKK fit
Total $\chi^2$ /NDF	1265/1096 = 1.15	1244/1086 = 1.15	1308/1141 = 1.15
Data set, $\chi^2$ /NDP			
HERA	1159/1056	1157/1056	1163/1056
ATLAS $W^+$	12/11		13/11
ATLAS $W^-$	8/11		9/11
ATLAS central CC Z		14/12	16/12
ATLAS central CF Z		9/9	7/9
CMS 7 TeV central Z		12/24	12/24
CMS 7 TeV W-asym.	13/11		14/11
CMS 8 TeV $W^+, W^-$	6/22		5/22

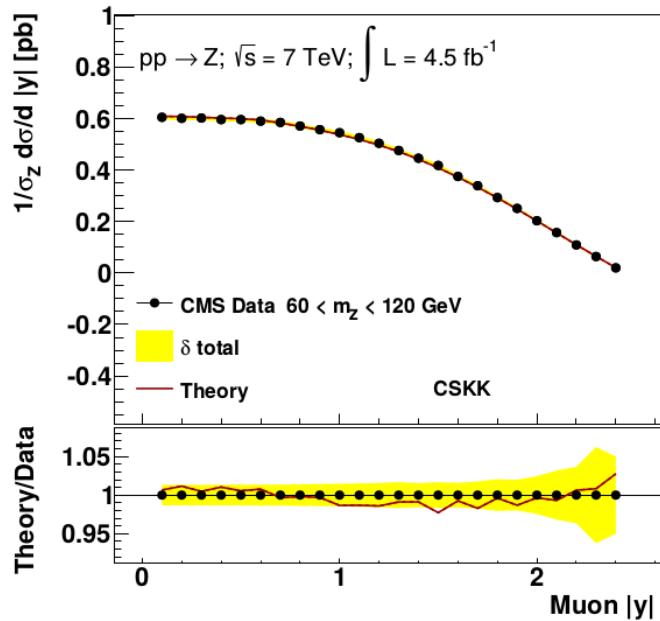
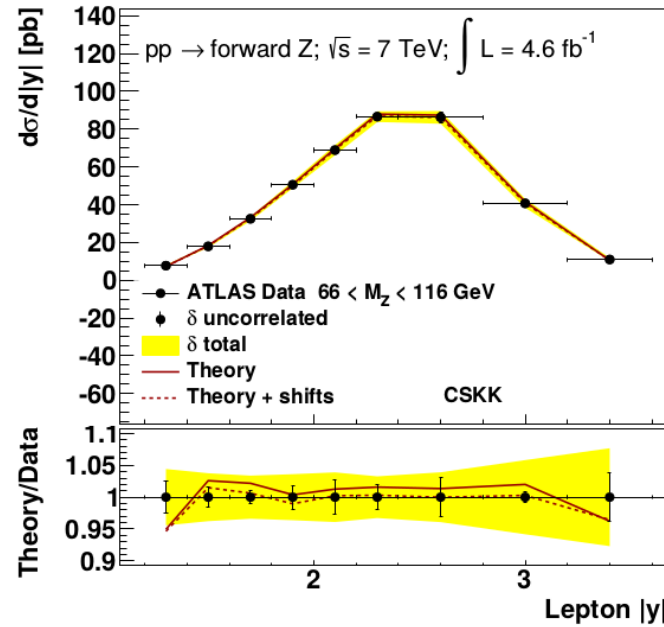
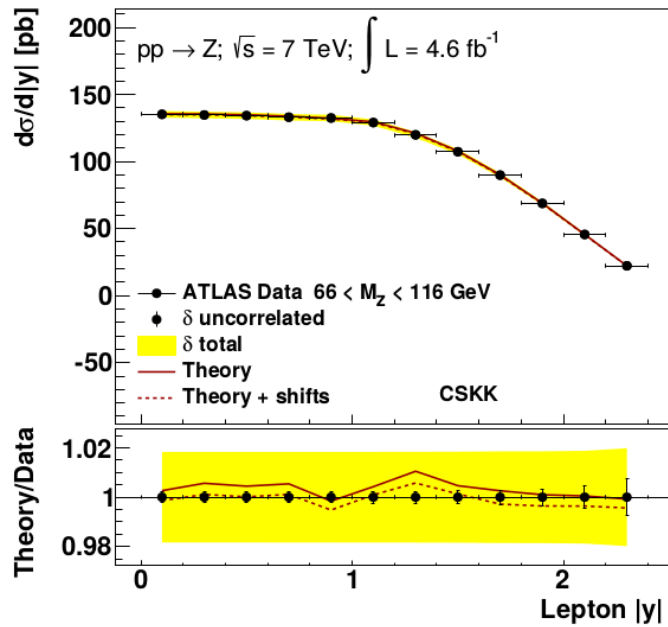
	CMS Z7	CMS W7,8	CMS Z7 + W7,8
Total $\chi^2$ /NDF	1218/1965	1225/1074	1236/1098
Data set, $\chi^2$ /NDP			
HERA	1156/1056	1157/1056	1157/1056
CMS 7 TeV central Z	11/24		11/24
CMS 7 TeV W-asymmetry		13/11	13/11
CMS 8 TeV $W^+, W^-$		4/22	4/22



# Data description: W



# Data description: Z

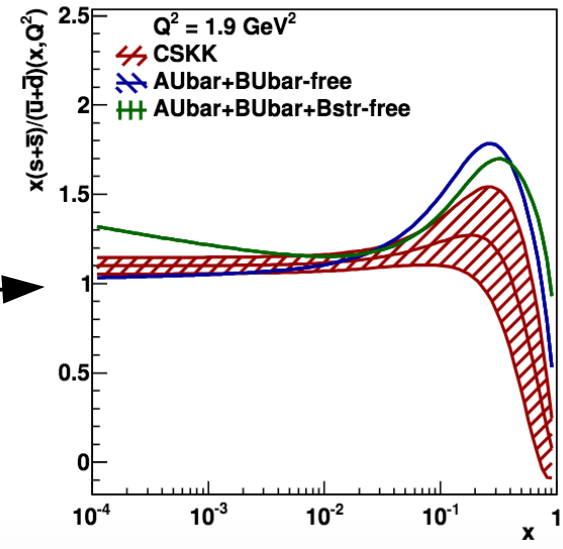
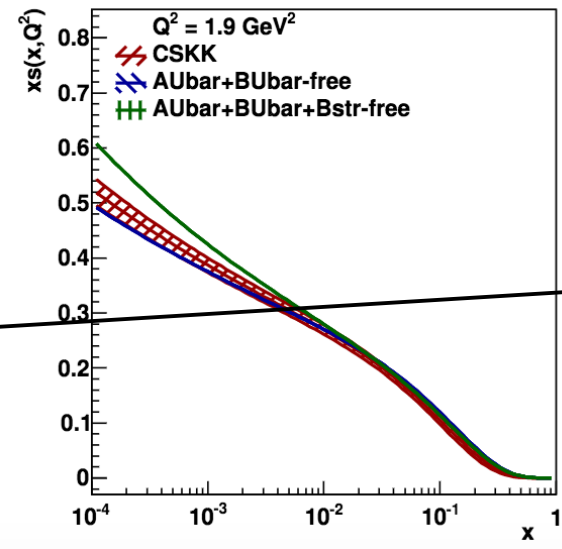
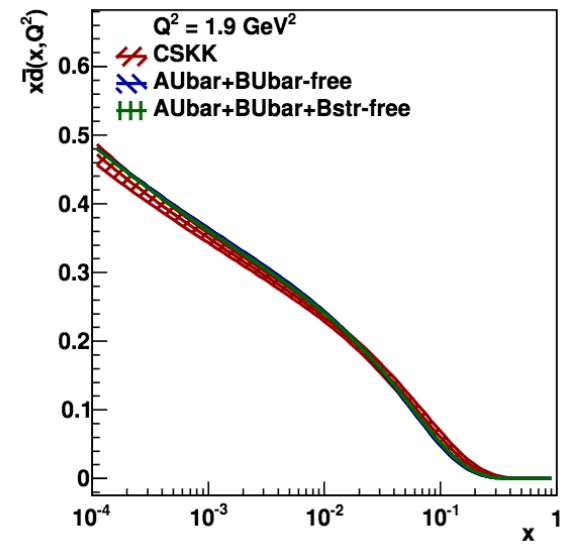
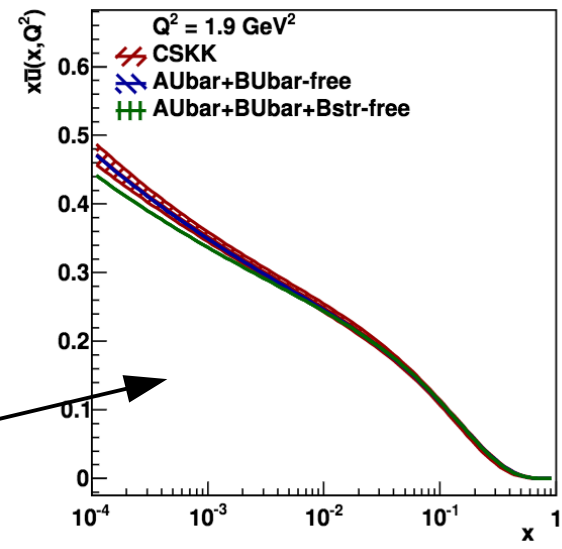


- Both CMS and ATLAS and W & Z data well described

# Parameterisation study

• Important parameterisation check:

- Free parameters for s distribution:  $A_{\text{ubar}}$ ,  $B_{\text{ubar}}$ ,  $B_{\text{strange}}$
- valence and gluon PDFs do not differ much
- low-x  $D_{\text{bar}}$  distribution consistent with  $U_{\text{bar}}$  for  $A_{\text{ubar}}$  and  $B_{\text{ubar}}$  free and for additional  $B_{\text{str}}$  free
- strangeness ratio still consistent with unity for both



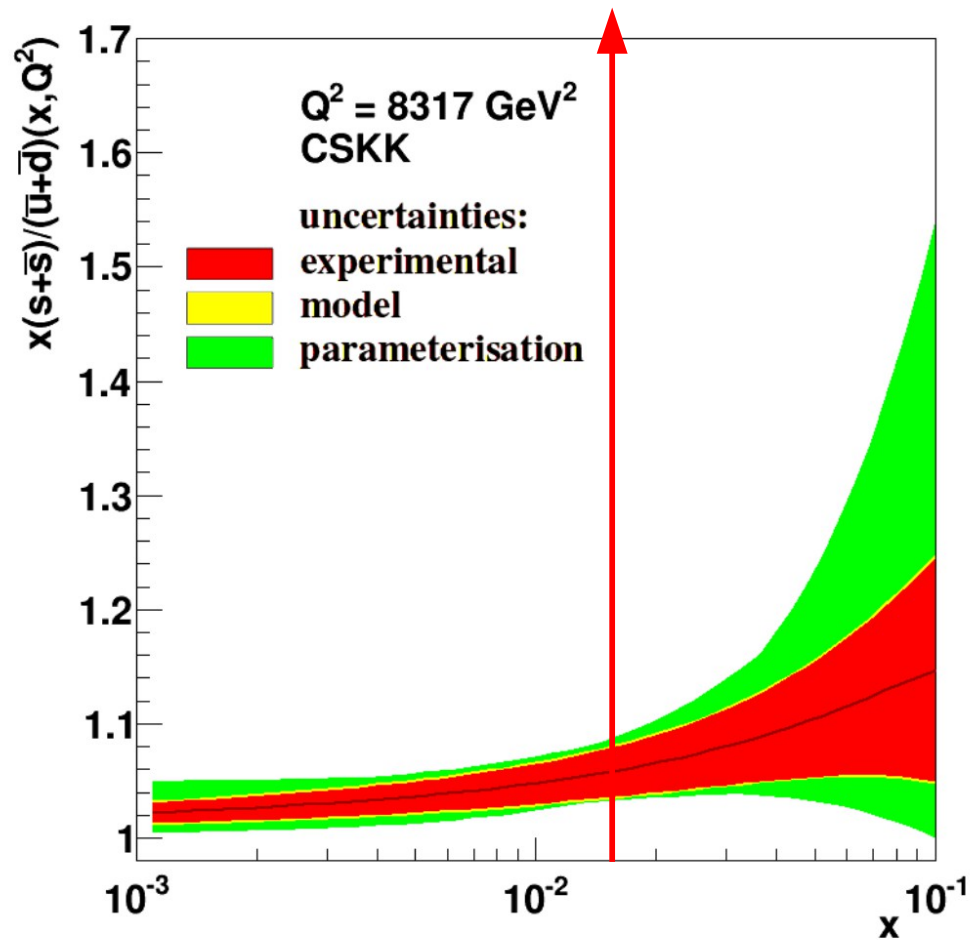
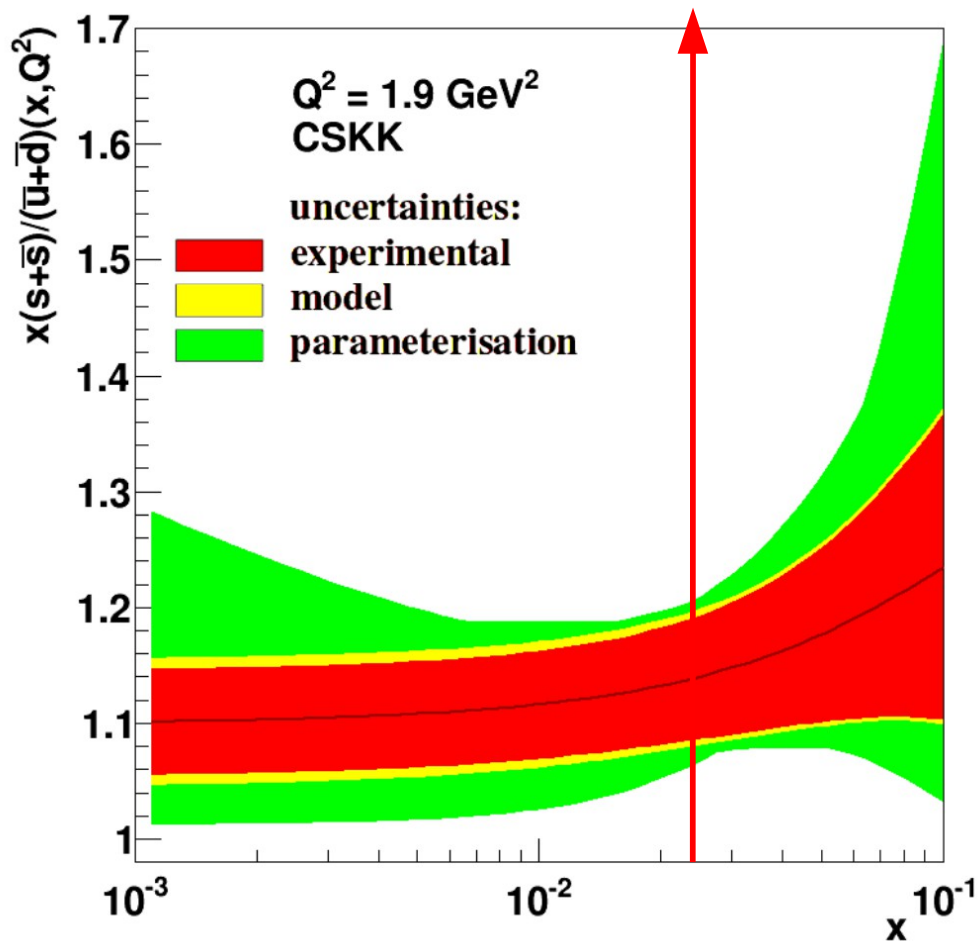
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$\pm 0.03$  (model)  $^{+0.03}_{-0.05}$  (parameterisation)  $^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$  ( $\alpha_s$ )

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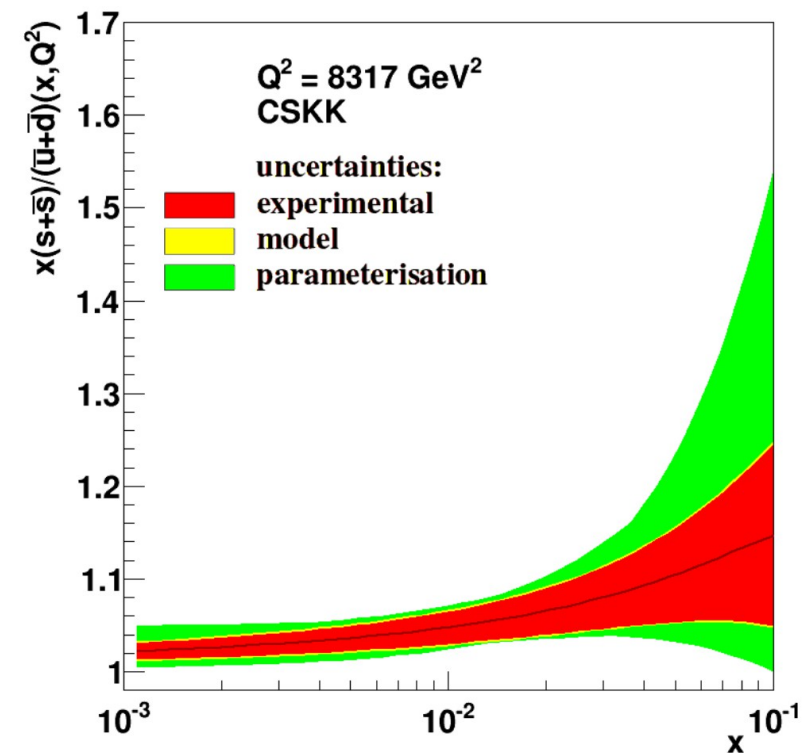
- Total uncertainty dominated by parameterisation uncertainty for most of x range
- $R_s$  consistent with unity at low x

# Additional parameterisation study

- For the CSKK fit,  $d\bar{u}$  at  $x \sim 0.1$  is negative, 2-3 sigma away from positive value suggested by E866 fixed-target Drell-Yan data
- Maybe if positive ( $d\bar{u}$ ) imposed on the fit  $\rightarrow$  strangeness decreases  $\rightarrow$  larger  $d\bar{u}$  is correlated to smaller strangeness in the current parameterisation
  - However E866 observation made at  $x \sim 0.1$ , whereas the LHC data have largest constraining power at  $x \sim 0.01$
- Cross-check made with a parameterisation which forces ( $d\bar{u}$ ) to be in agreement with the E866 data
  - $R_s = 0.95 \pm 0.07$  (experimental) at  $x = 0.023$  and  $Q^2 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$
  - Still consistent with unity, however  $\sim 2$  sigma lower than central result
- not included in parameterisation variations  $\rightarrow$  not a good fit
  - $\chi^2/\text{NDF}$  of this fit is 1363/1141 compared to 1308/1141 for CSKK

# Summary

- We consider CSKK as our main fit
  - HERA inclusive data + W data + Z peak data
- Our main conclusion about data sets

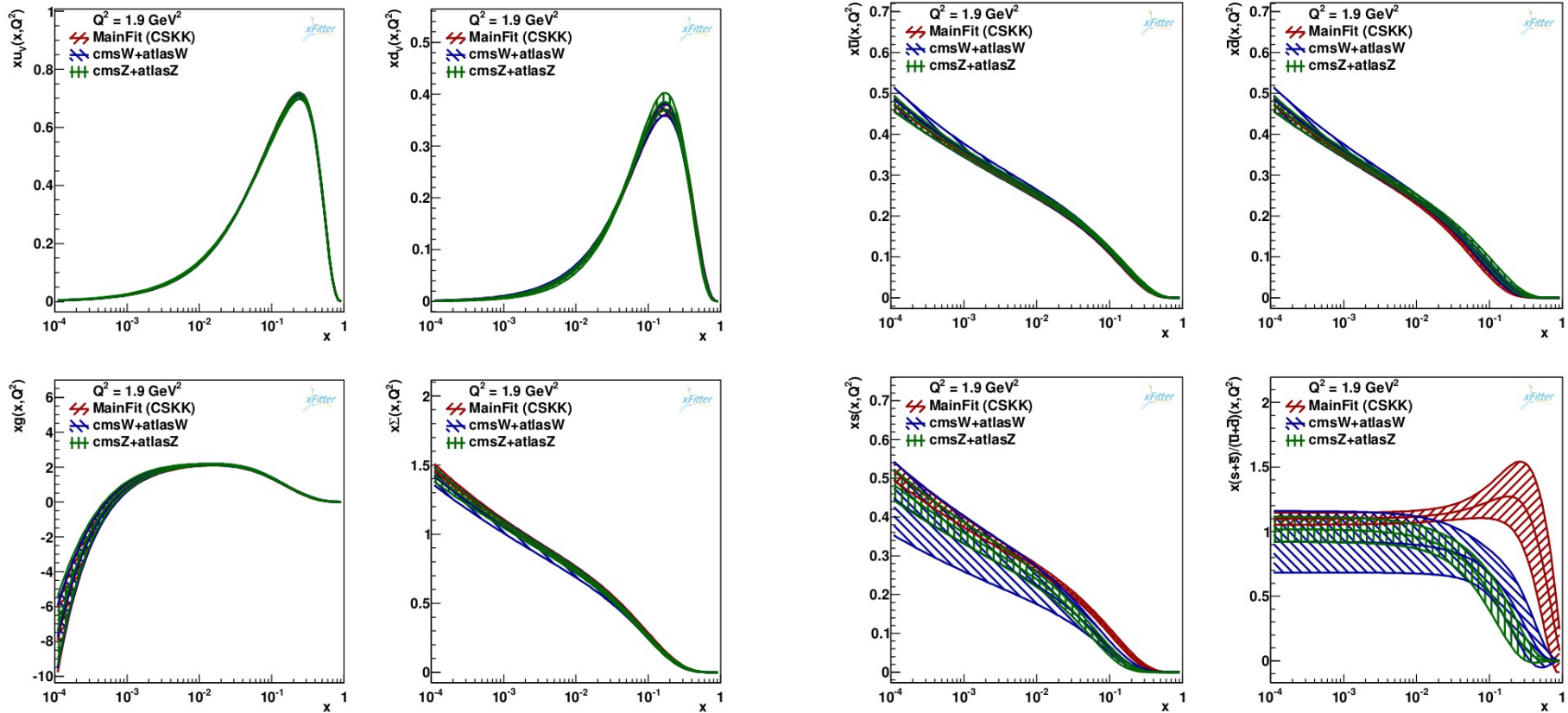


→ There is no tension between the HERA data and the LHC data  
or between the LHC data sets

- We consider  $R_s = \frac{s+\bar{s}}{d+\bar{u}}$  distribution our main result
  - For comparison with ATLAS result we also calculate  $R_s$  at certain  $x$  and  $Q^2$  values
  - Results with experimental, model and parameterisation uncertainties

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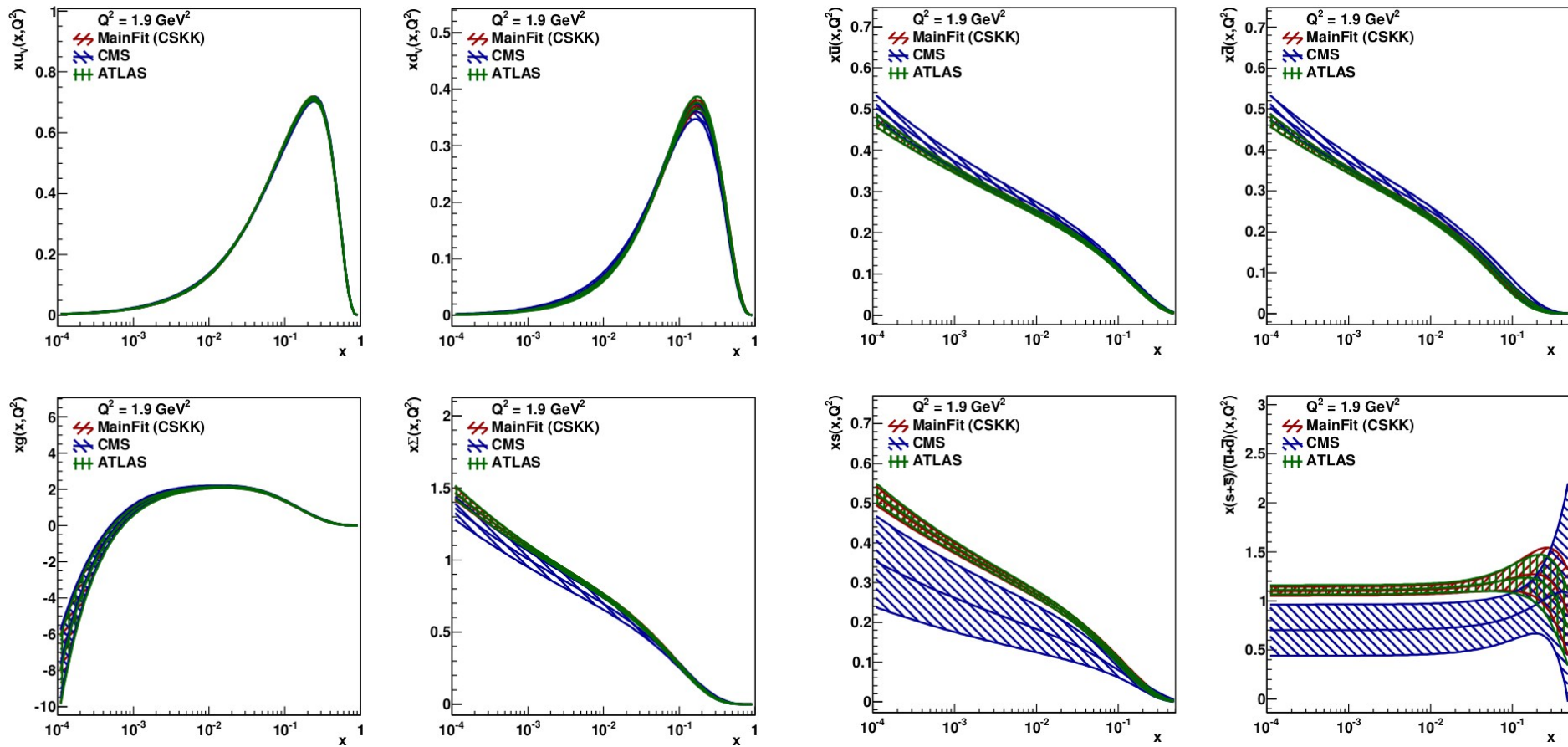
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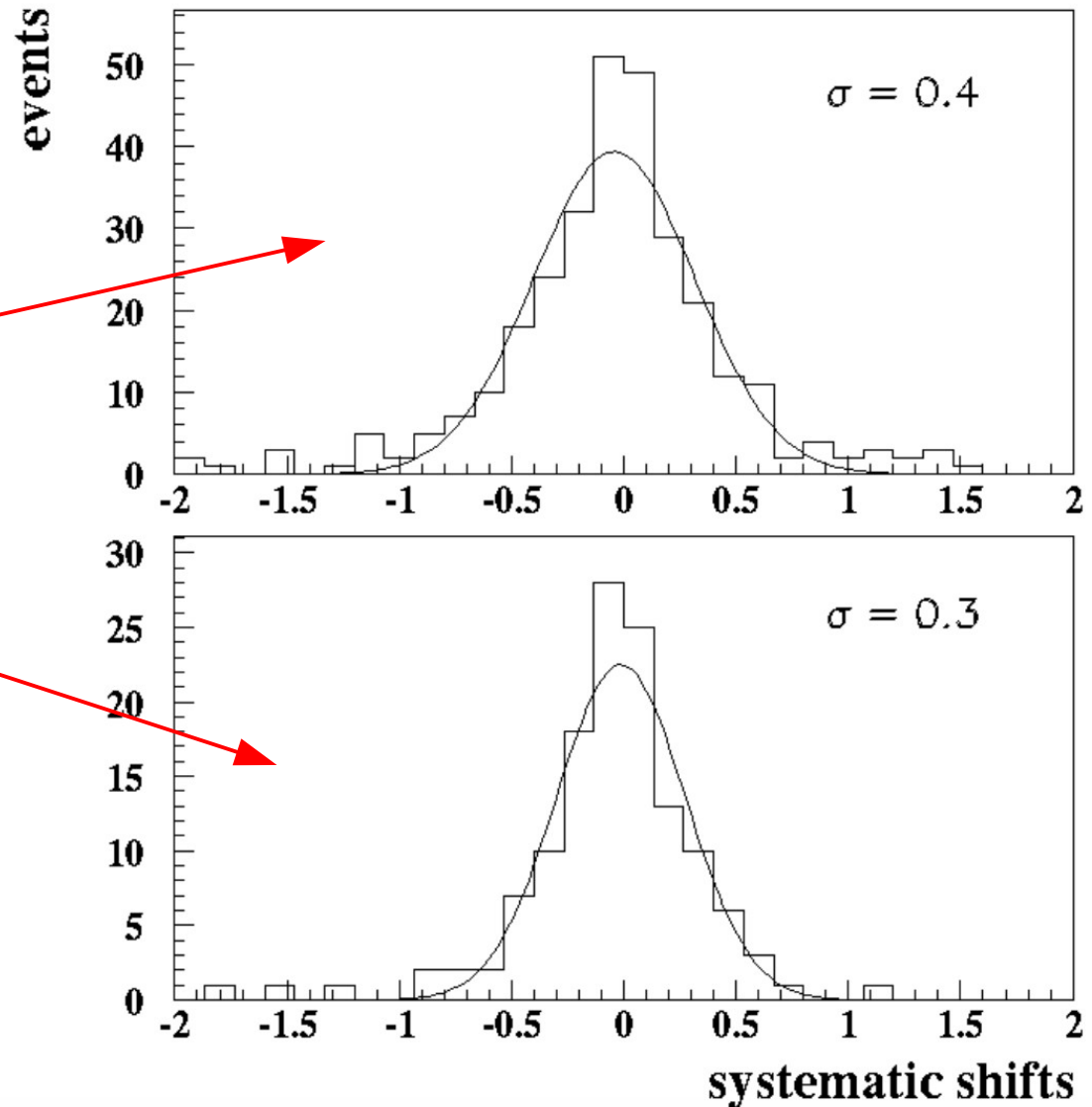
# CMS vs ATLAS vs both



- Experimental uncertainties
- Valence, gluon and total sea are similar for PDFs from ATLAS and CMS data, small differences well within uncertainties
- Strange distributions differ
- For  $x \sim 0.01$  CMS ratio 1-2 sigma lower than ATLAS ratio

# Fit quality - shifts of systematic uncertainties

- Shifts of correlated systematic uncertainties (treated as nuisance parameters)
- HERA + ATLAS
- ATLAS only
- Looks OK



# Model and $\alpha_s$ uncertainties

Variation	Total $\chi^2/\text{NDF}$	$R_s = \frac{s+\bar{s}}{d+\bar{u}}$	
		$x = 0.023,$ $Q_0^2 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$	$x = 0.013,$ $Q_0^2 = 8317 \text{ GeV}^2$
Nominal CSKK fit	1308 / 1141	1.14	1.05
Model variations			
$Q_{\min}^2 = 5 \text{ GeV}^2$	1375 / 1188	1.14	1.06
$Q_{\min}^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$	1251 / 1101	1.14	1.05
$m_b = 4.25 \text{ GeV}$	1307 / 1141	1.12	1.04
$m_b = 4.75 \text{ GeV}$	1310 / 1141	1.16	1.06
$\mu_{f_0}^2 = 1.6 \text{ GeV}^2$ and $m_c = 1.37 \text{ GeV}$	1312 / 1141	1.16	1.06
$\mu_{f_0}^2 = 2.2 \text{ GeV}^2$ and $m_c = 1.49 \text{ GeV}$	1308 / 1141	1.12	1.05
$\alpha_s(M_Z)$ variations			
$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.116$	1308 / 1141	1.12	1.04
$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.117$	1308 / 1141	1.13	1.05
$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.119$	1309 / 1141	1.14	1.06
$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.120$	1310 / 1141	1.15	1.06

# Parameterisation uncertainty

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$B_{\bar{s}}$	1308 / 1140	1.12	1.05
$D_{u_v}$	1308 / 1140	1.13	1.05
$D_{d_v}$	1308 / 1140	1.14	1.05
$D_g$	1306 / 1140	1.15	1.06
$D_{\bar{u}}$	1305 / 1140	1.15	1.06
$D_{\bar{d}}$	1302 / 1140	1.09	1.04
$E_{d_v}$	1308 / 1140	1.14	1.05
$A_{\bar{u}}$ and $B_{\bar{u}}$ free	1306 / 1139	1.17	1.07
$A_{\bar{u}}$ and $B_{\bar{u}}$ and $B_{\bar{s}}$ free	1306 / 1138	1.17	1.07

# CSKK: ratio $R_s = \frac{s + \bar{s}}{d + \bar{u}}$

- $R_s$  at  $x = 0.023$  and  $Q^2 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$ 
  - Highest sensitivity at starting scale

$$R_s = 1.14 \pm 0.05 \text{ (experimental)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (model)} \begin{matrix} +0.03 \\ -0.05 \end{matrix} \text{ (parameterisation)} \begin{matrix} +0.01 \\ -0.02 \end{matrix} (\alpha_s)$$

- $R_s$  at  $x = 0.013$  and  $Q^2 = M_Z^2$ 
  - Maximal sensitivity for LHC data

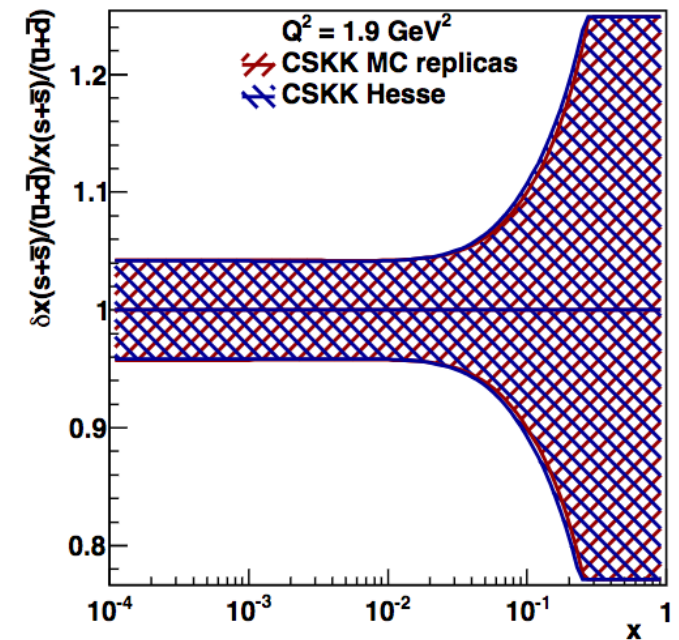
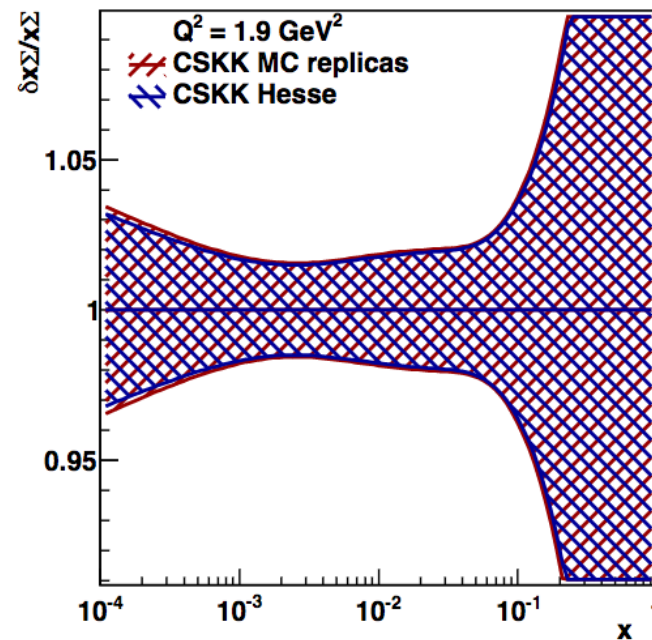
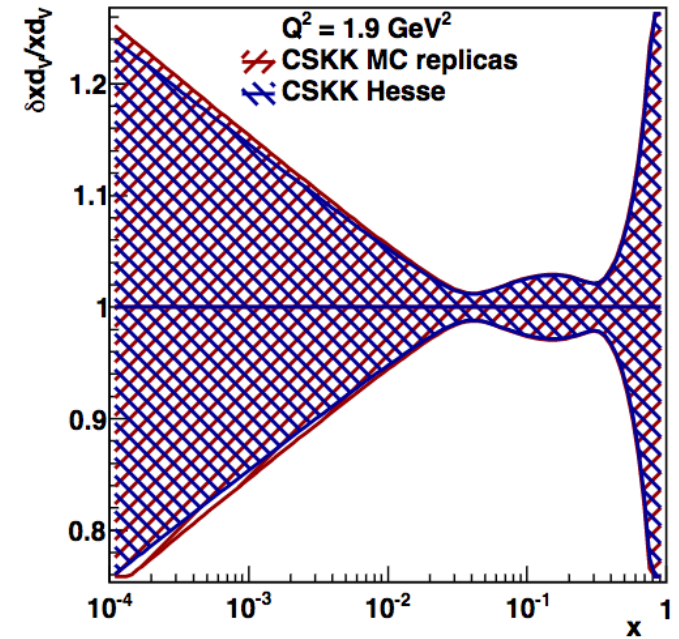
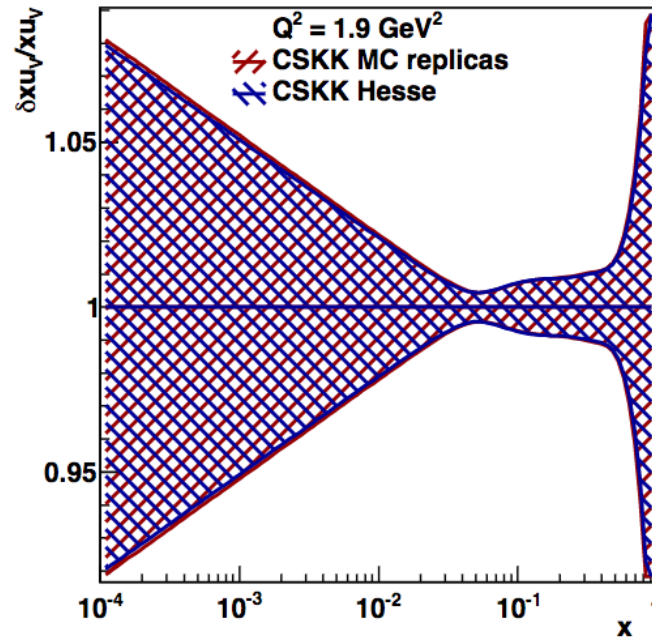
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- Compared to ATLAS result at  $x = 0.023$  and  $Q^2 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$

$$R_s = \frac{s + \bar{s}}{\bar{u} + d} = 1.13 \pm 0.05 \text{ (exp)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (mod)} \begin{matrix} +0.01 \\ -0.06 \end{matrix} \text{ (par)}$$

# Hesse uncertainty .vs. MC replicas

- Main method of experimental uncertainty estimation: Hesse
- Cross check done using MC replicas
- PDFs obtained with both methods agree well
- Uncertainties compatible



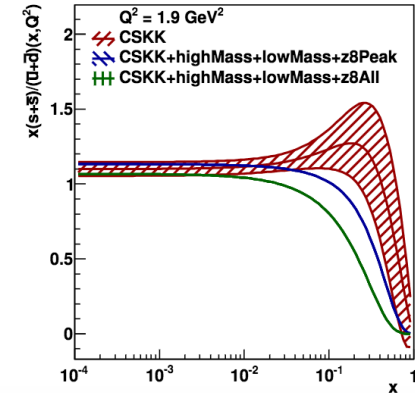
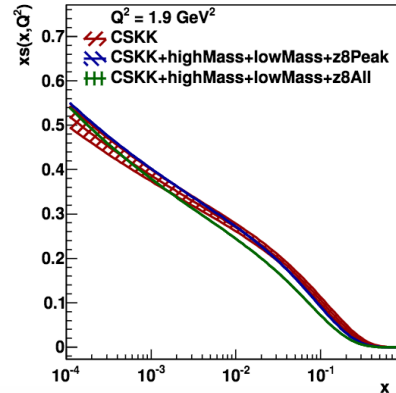
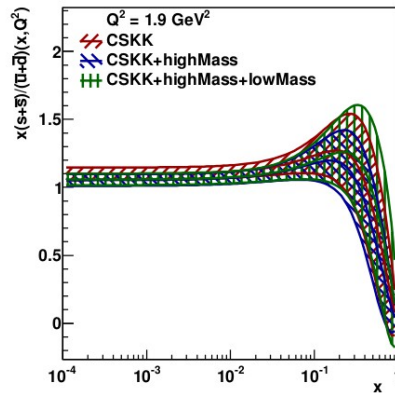
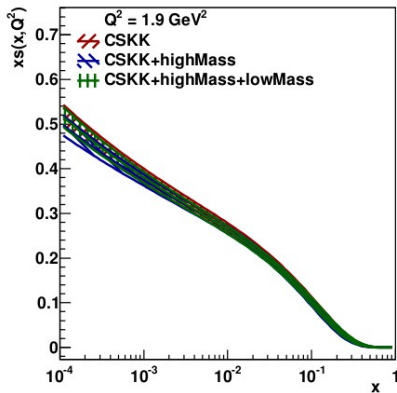
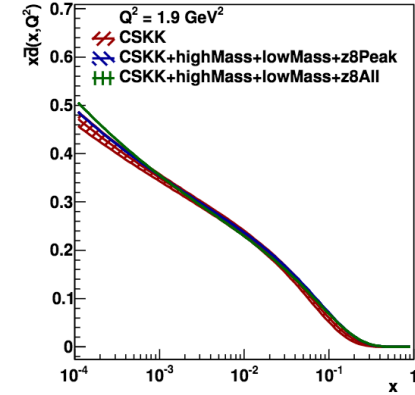
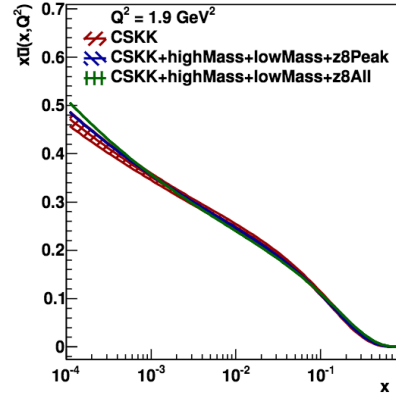
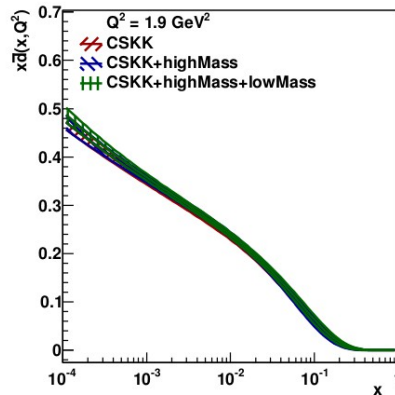
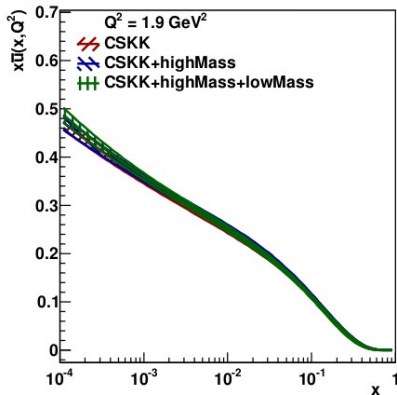
# Cross checks - adding more DY data

## Adding off-peak Z 7 TeV data

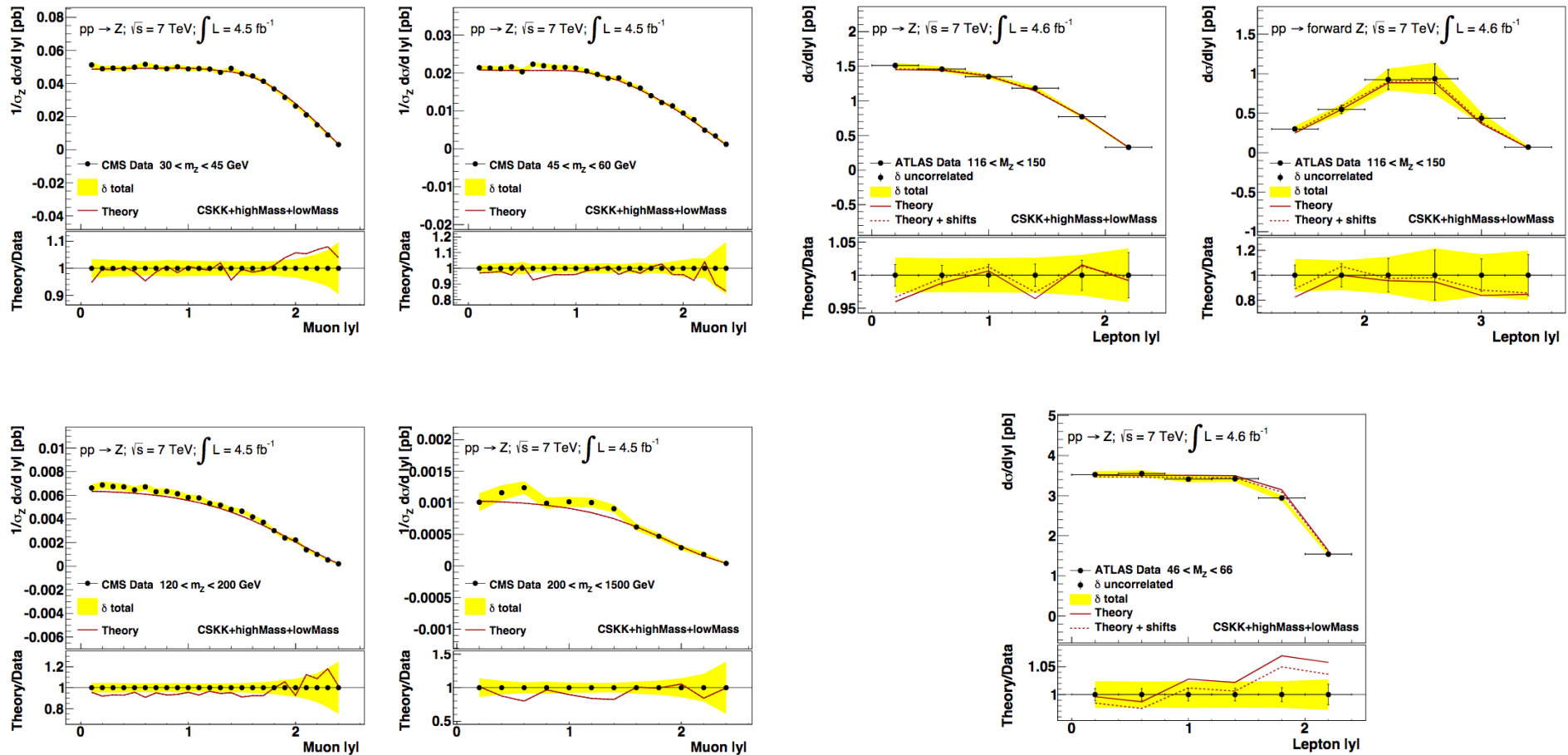
- results not changed substantially
- experimental uncertainties are also not much reduced
- larger theoretical uncertainties, from electroweak effects and  $\gamma$  induced processes

## → Next CMS Z 8 TeV data added

- result not changed substantially
  - Strangeness consistent
- In fact CMS 8 TeV Z-peak data favor even larger strangeness than CSKK for small  $x$



# Adding Z off-peak data



- Not very good agreement for CMS off-peak data and ATLAS low-mass (seen in ATLAS analysis as well)
- There are larger theoretical uncertainties for off-peak mass regions coming from electroweak effects and photon induced processes  
 → we use only peak data for nominal CSKK fit



# CMS Z @ 8 TeV data

	ATLAS and CMS $W$ and all $Z$ bins		CMS $W$ and all $Z$ bins
	$Z$ at 7 TeV	$Z$ at 7 and 8 TeV	
Total $\chi^2$ /NDF	1481/1243 = 1.19	1814/1351 = 1.34	1596/1290 = 1.24
Data set, $\chi^2$ /NDP			
HERA	1163/1056	1178/1056	1186/1056
ATLAS $W^+$	13/11	12/11	
ATLAS $W^-$	9/11	15/11	
ATLAS central CC $Z$	15/12	26/12	
ATLAS central CF $Z$	7/9	8/9	
ATLAS CC $Z$ , $116 < M_z < 150$ GeV	8/6	7/6	
ATLAS CF $Z$ , $116 < M_z < 150$ GeV	4/6	4/6	
ATLAS CC $Z$ , $46 < M_z < 66$ GeV	28/6	34/6	
CMS 7 TeV $W$ -asym.	14/11	14/11	18/11
CMS 8 TeV $W^+$ , $W^-$	5/22	7/22	5/22
CMS 7 TeV $Z$ central	12/24	13/24	16/24
CMS 7 TeV $Z$ , $120 < M_z < 200$ GeV	31/24	28/24	25/25
CMS 7 TeV $Z$ , $200 < M_z < 1500$ GeV	20/12	19/12	17/12
CMS 7 TeV $Z$ , $30 < M_z < 45$ GeV	35/24	35/24	36/24
CMS 7 TeV $Z$ , $45 < M_z < 60$ GeV	22/24	20/24	20/24
CMS 8 TeV $Z$ central		74/24	66/24
CMS 8 TeV $Z$ , $120 < M_z < 200$ GeV		73/24	56/24
CMS 8 TeV $Z$ , $200 < M_z < 1500$ GeV		14/12	12/12
CMS 8 TeV $Z$ , $30 < M_z < 45$ GeV		38/24	37/24
CMS 8 TeV $Z$ , $45 < M_z < 60$ GeV		29/24	20/24

- CMS Z @ 8 TeV are not well described
- Found by NNPDF too
- some tension with ATLAS central mass & rapidity  $Z$  appears
- not well fitted even when fitted together with just HERA and other CMS data