

# Inclusive Jet Production in DIS at High $Q^2$ and Extraction of $\alpha_s$ at HERA



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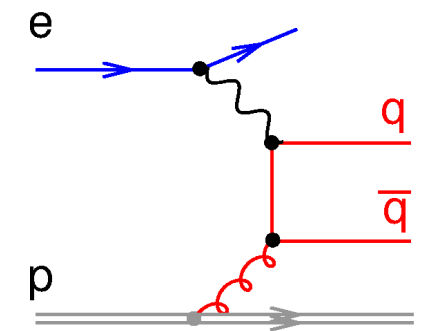
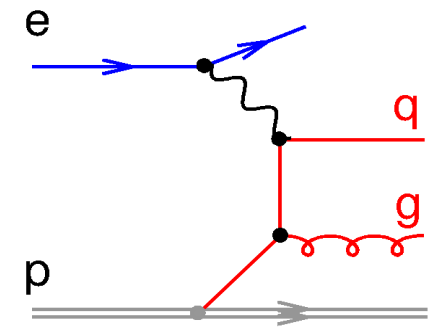
# Motivation

Jet production in DIS at high  $Q^2$  and  $E_T$ : handle to pQCD

## Analysis Strategy

- count all jets in phase space as function of  $Q^2$  and  $E_T$
- cross section depends on
  - QCD matrix elements
  - strong coupling  $\alpha_S$
  - parton density functions of the proton
- determine  $\alpha_S$  by fitting the theory to data

Examples for contributing graphs



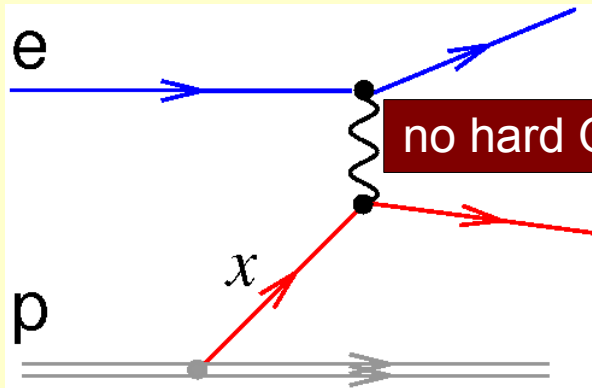
# Jet Observable

- No unique definition of a jet, here:  
incl.  $k_t$  cluster algorithm
  - similar to  $e^+e^-$  algorithms
  - favoured by theory over (most) cone algorithms
  - infrared and collinear safe at all orders
  - factorisable
- For DIS:  $\Rightarrow$  boost particles to Breit frame of reference

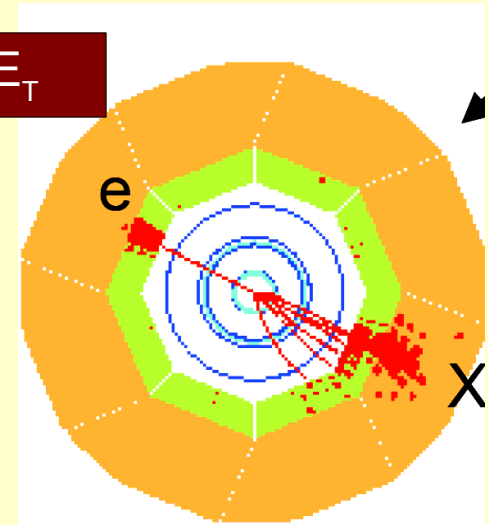
# Breit Frame

- Born level of deep inelastic scattering, the electron recoils a single jet

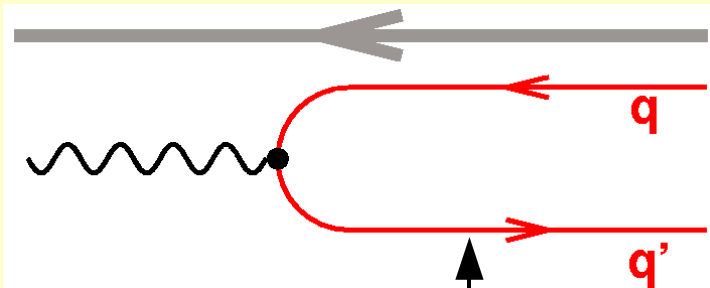
...still high jet  $E_T$



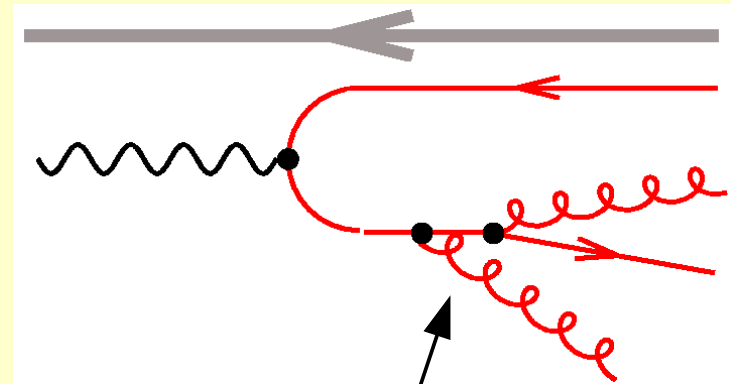
no hard QCD radiation...



- Boost final state to Breit system of reference



Born jets have very small  $E_T$

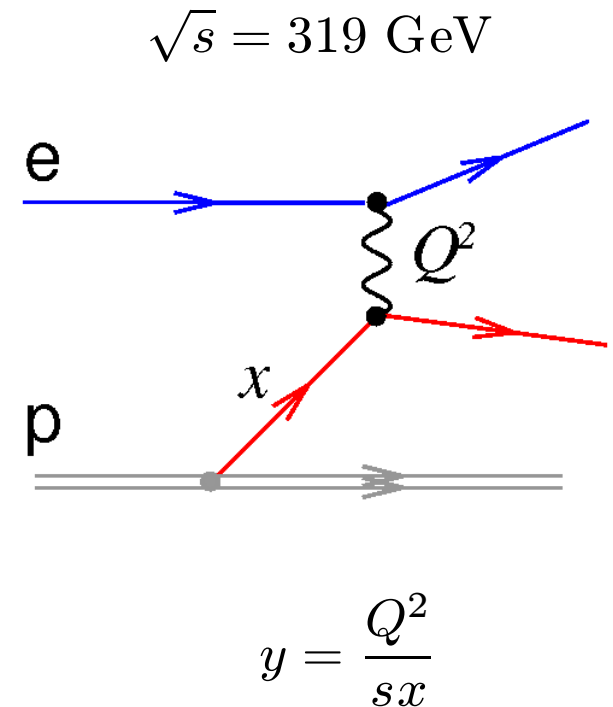


in the Breit frame, QCD radiation generates  $E_T$

# Data Set

## Selection

- Event sample
  - 1999-2000,  $e^+p$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = 65 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- Event selection NC DIS
  - $150 < Q^2 < 15000 \text{ GeV}^2$
  - $0.2 < y < 0.7$
- Jet selection
  - inclusive  $k_{\text{T}}$ ,  $p_{\text{T}}$  recombination scheme,  $R=1.0$
  - $-1.0 < \eta^{\text{LAB}} < 2.5$ ,  $7 < E_{\text{T}}^{\text{BREIT}} < 50 \text{ GeV}$
- “inclusive jet cross section”: each jet of an event contributes to the cross section

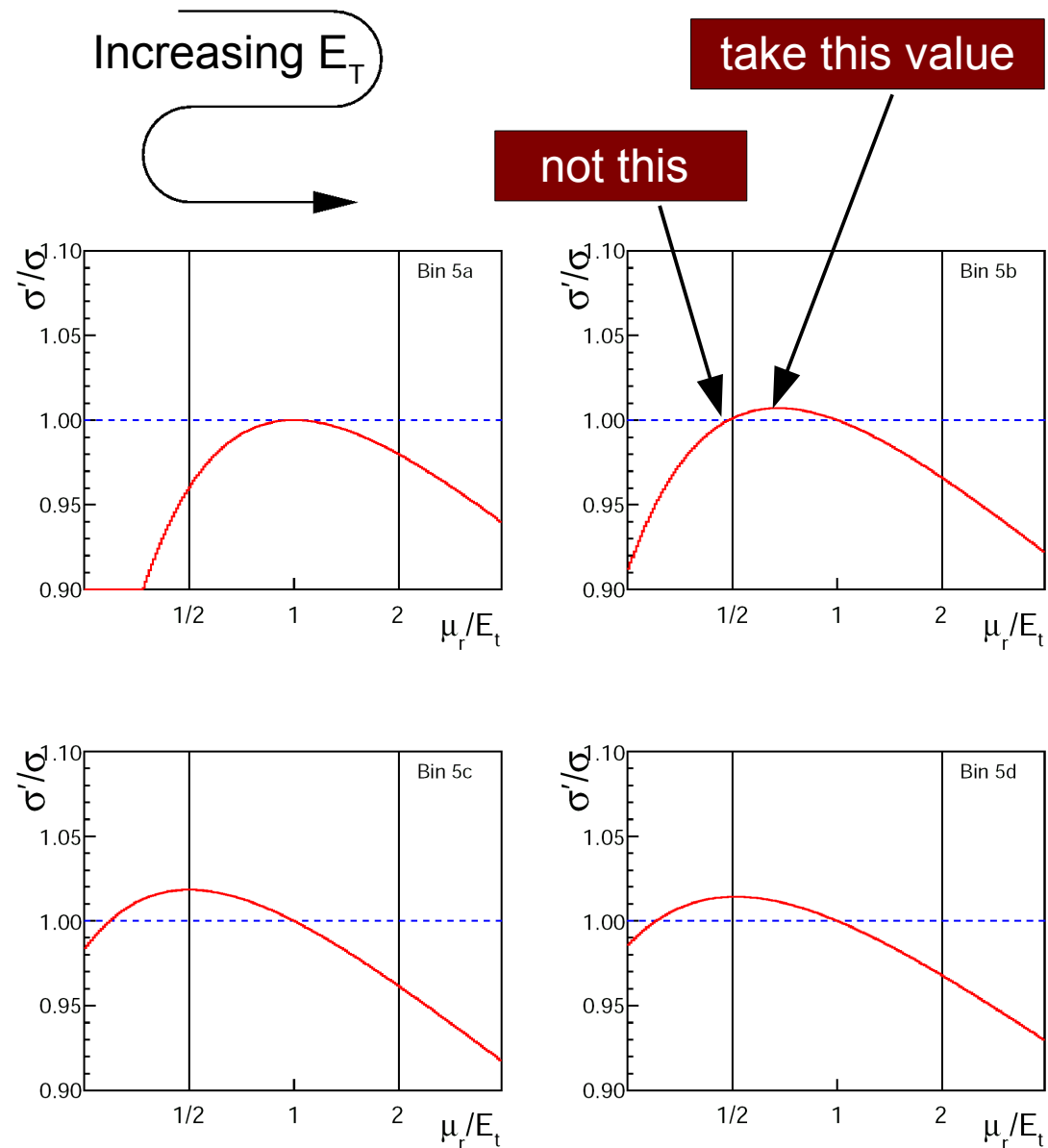


# Data Correction & Systematics

- Correction for acceptance and resolution with RAPGAP (ME+PS) and DJANGO (color dipole model) <20%
- Correction for QED radiation with HERACLES <15%
- Systematic uncertainties
  - 2% hadronic energy scale -> 4% on cross section
  - model dependence (ME+PS, CDM) -> 3% on cross section
  - lepton energy scale, lepton angle, -> small
- Exp. error ~5%, mainly due to hadronic energy scale and model dependence
- Compared to previous analysis
  - twice luminosity, halved energy scale uncertainty

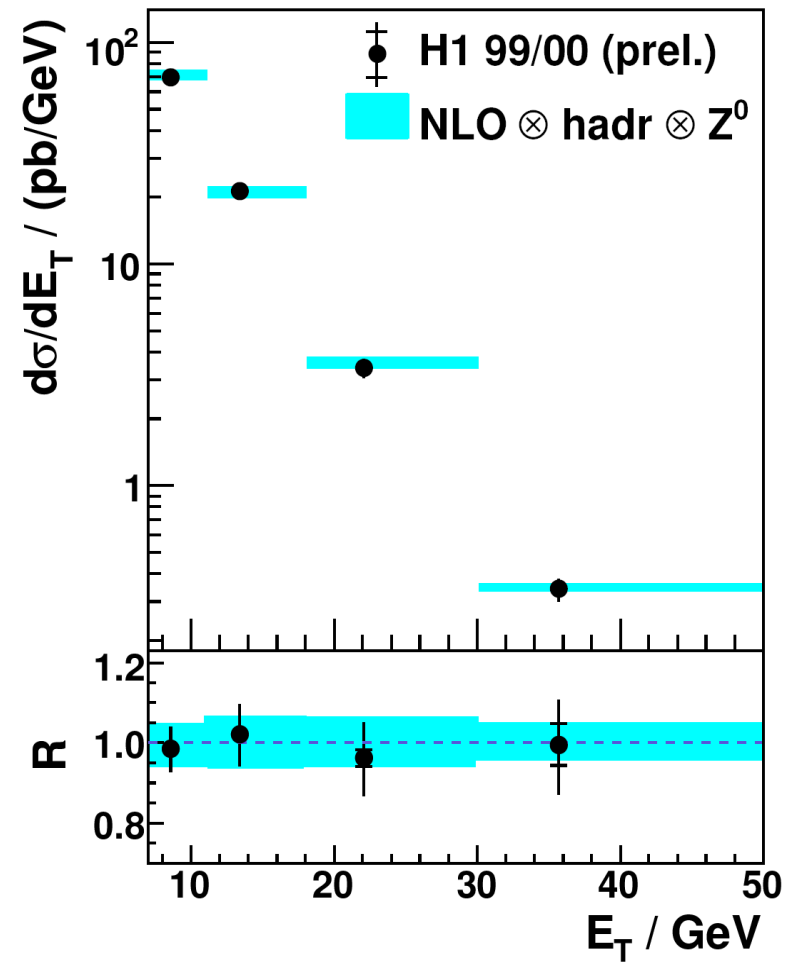
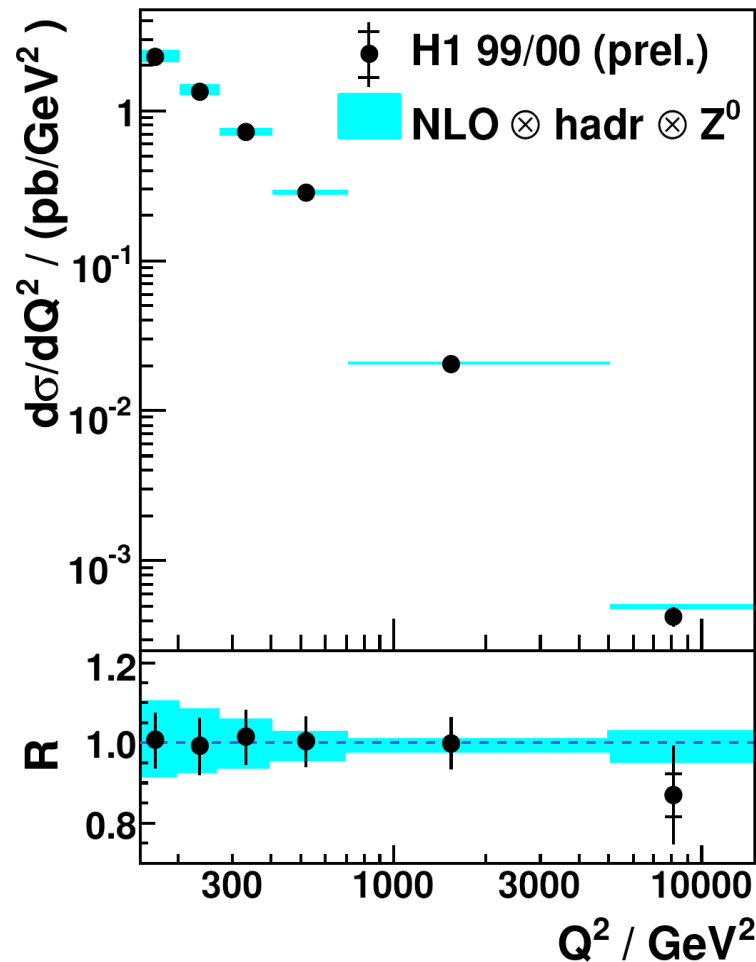
# Theory Calculation

- NLOJET++ v2.0.1 for NLO matrix element integration
- fastNLO for PDF convolution and  $\alpha_s$
- Proton PDFs: CTEQ6.5
- Hadronisation corrections obtained with MC event generators DJANGO, RAPGAP
- Electro weak corrections with LEPTO/HERACLES
- $\mu_r = E_T$ ,  $\mu_f = Q$ , varied by factor 2 to estimate uncertainty



# Results Single Differentially

## Inclusive Jet Cross Section



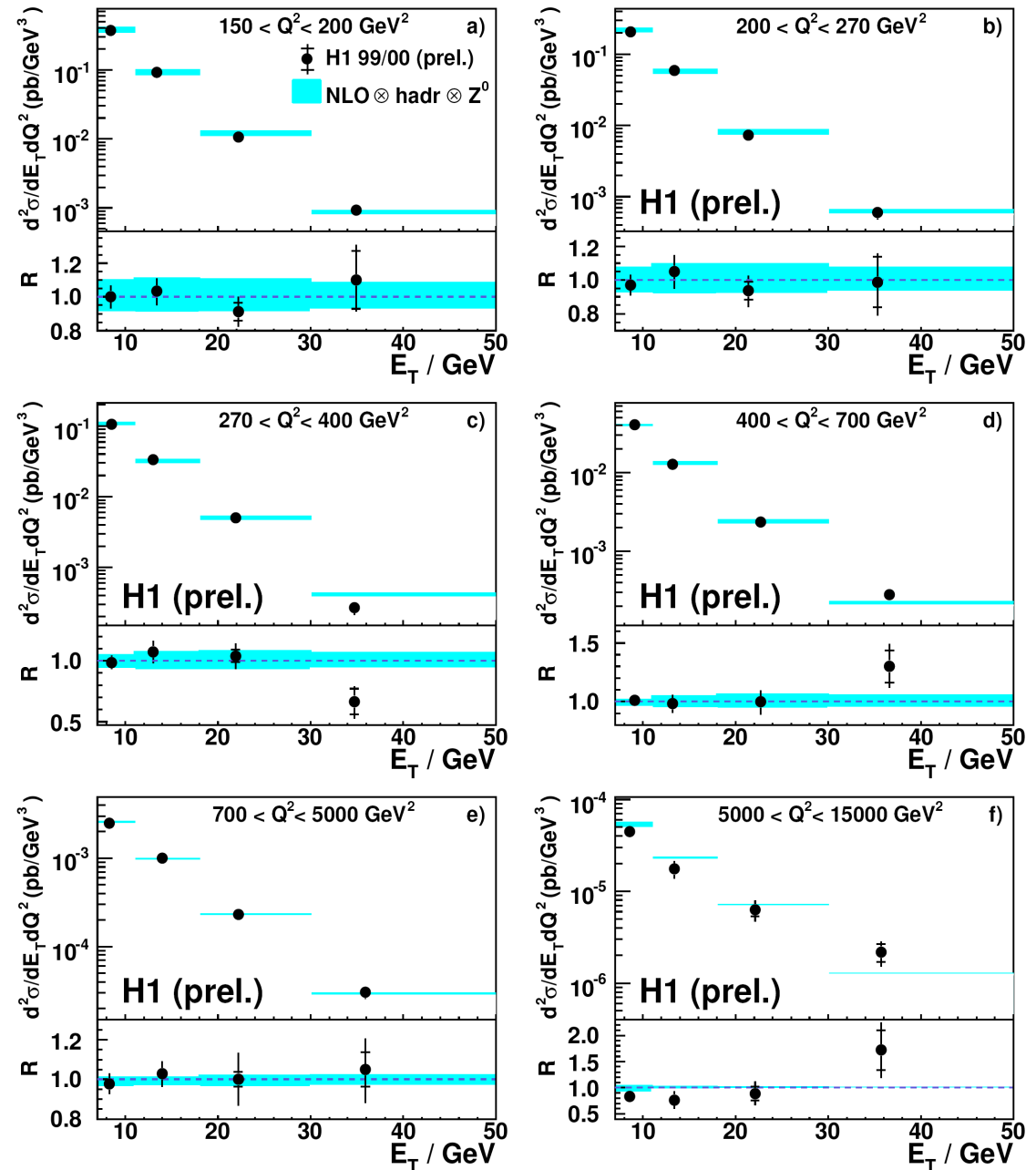
- QCD does a good job describing the jet cross section
- NLO perturbative prediction corrected for hadronisation O(10%)
- At highest  $Q^2$  need to include also  $Z^0$  exchange O(10%)



# Results Double Differentially

## Inclusive Jet Cross Section

- the  $E_T$  spectrum gets harder with increasing  $Q^2$
- well reproduced at NLO



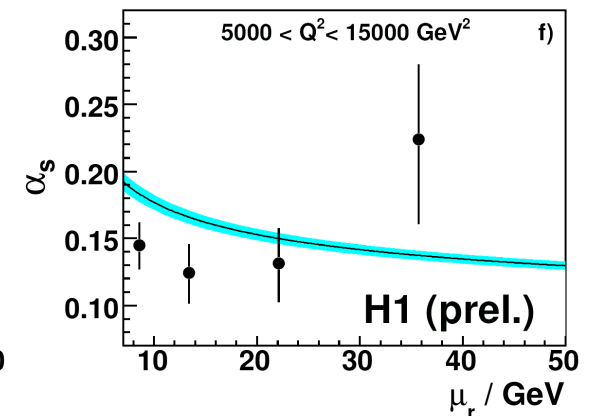
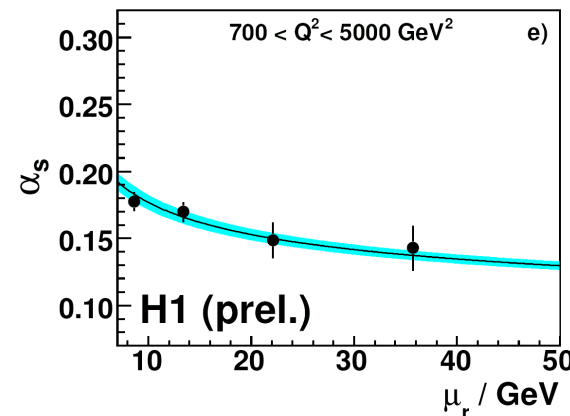
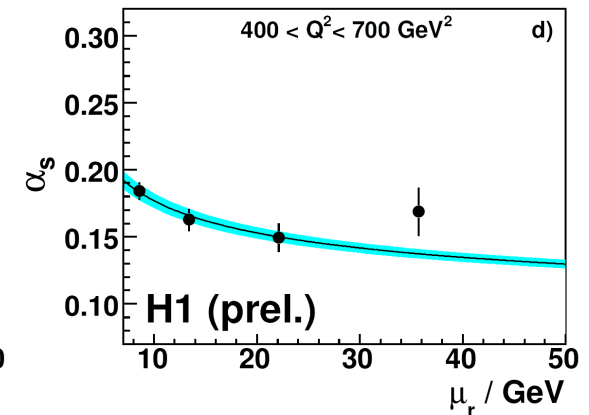
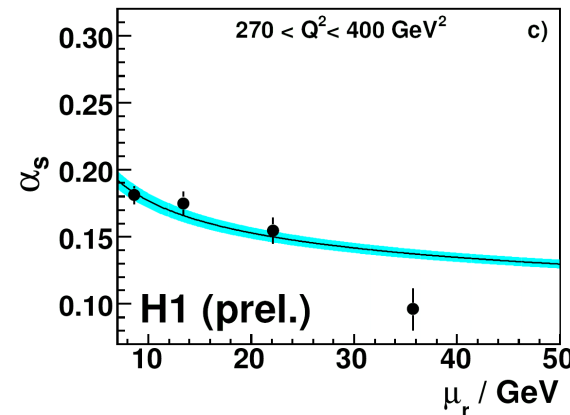
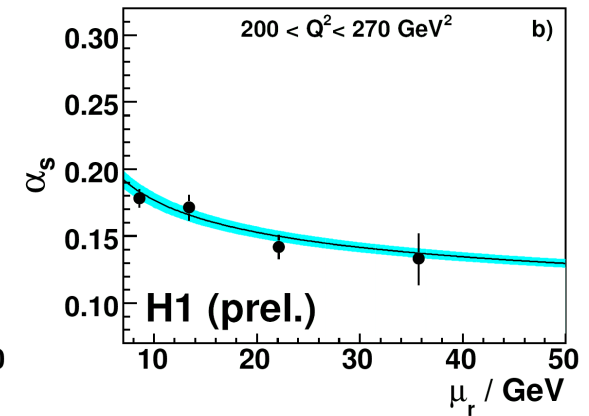
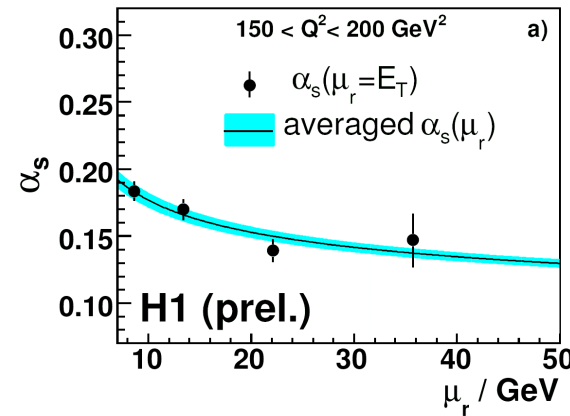
# $\alpha_S$ Extraction Method

- Fit of strong coupling to **single** data point trivial
  - vary  $\alpha_S(\mu_R)$  until theory matches data
  - check that  $\alpha_S(M_Z) = 0.118$  in CTEQ6.5 does not bias the result ✓
- Calculating **averages**: fit takes into account correlations of systematic experimental errors
  - Hessian method, fit sources of systematic uncertainties, e.g. energy scales
  - data points differ in  $\mu_R$ , evolve to common scale: fit  $\alpha_S(M_Z)$
- Theory error on  $\alpha_S$  by offset method: repeat fit with different scales and hadronisation corrections, add in quadrature

# $\alpha_S$ Results

## $\alpha_S$ from Inclusive Jet Cross Section

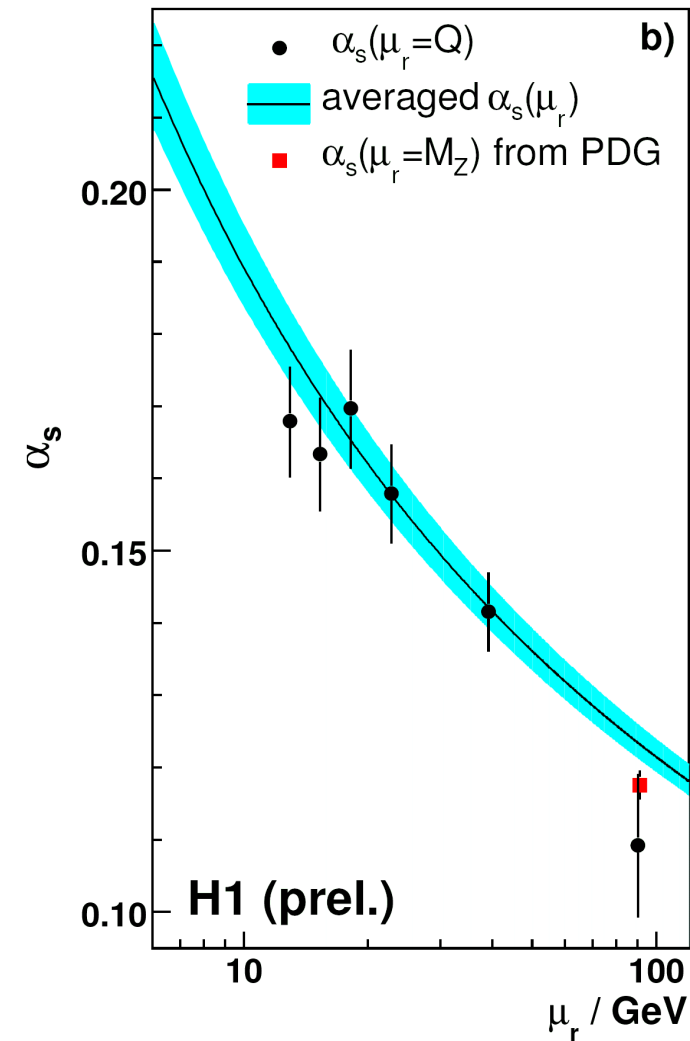
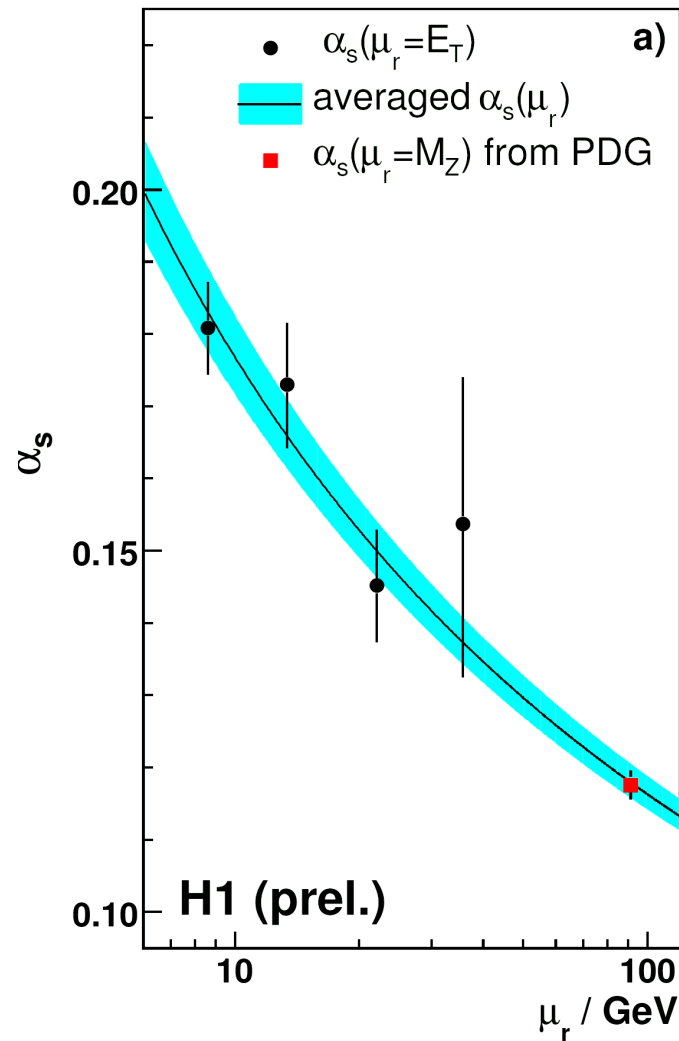
- Each data point yields one  $\alpha_S$
- Renormalisation scale chosen here:  $E_T$  of the jet
- Highest  $Q^2$  interval statistically limited
- Running of  $\alpha_S$  is demonstrated
- Results are compatible  $\rightarrow$  calculate the average



# Asymptotic Freedom

- Points: average of  $E_T$  or  $Q^2$  intervals
- Band: overall average
- $Q$  as renormalisation scale yields a slightly worse description
- Errors are experimental only
  - NLO scale uncertainty  $\rightarrow$  4% error on  $\alpha_s$
  - NNLO will help
- Compatible with world mean

## $\alpha_s$ from Inclusive Jet Cross Section



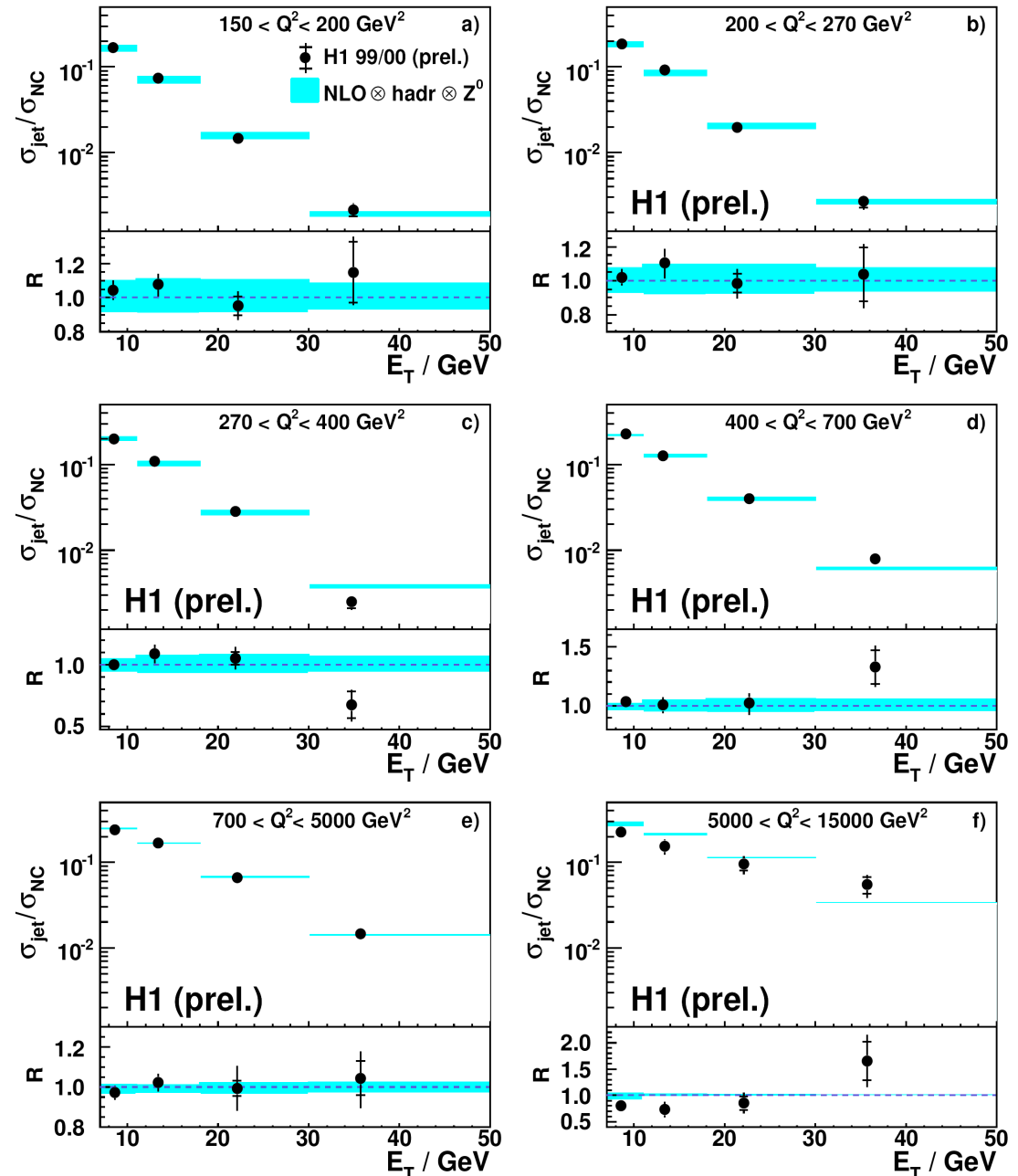
# Normalised Jet Cross Section

- Jet analysis applied in NC DIS phase space ( $Q^2, y$ )
- Alternative: instead of #jets (incl. jet cross section) use #jets/#events (normalised incl. jet cross section)
- Equals  $\sigma_{jet} / \sigma_{NC DIS}$
- Ratio calculated at detector level -> systematics ✓
- Luminosity uncertainty cancels, exp. systematics reduced
- PDF uncertainty reduced
- Use DISINT and fastNLO for calculation of  $\sigma^{NC DIS}$  at NLO
- Improve precision of  $\alpha_S$  fit

# Normalised Jet Cross Section (2)

## Normalised Inclusive Jet Cross Section

- Appearance very similar to inclusive jet cross section
- More jets per event with increasing  $Q^2$
- Theory error for jet and NC DIS part assumed uncorrelated
- El. weak correction cancels only partly:
  - cut on jet  $E_T$  shifts mean  $Q^2$  to higher values



# Numerical Values

- Inclusive jet cross section, using 24 data points

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1179 \pm 0.0024 (\text{exp.}) \begin{matrix} +0.0052 \\ -0.0032 \end{matrix} (\text{th.}) \pm 0.0030 (\text{pdf.})$$

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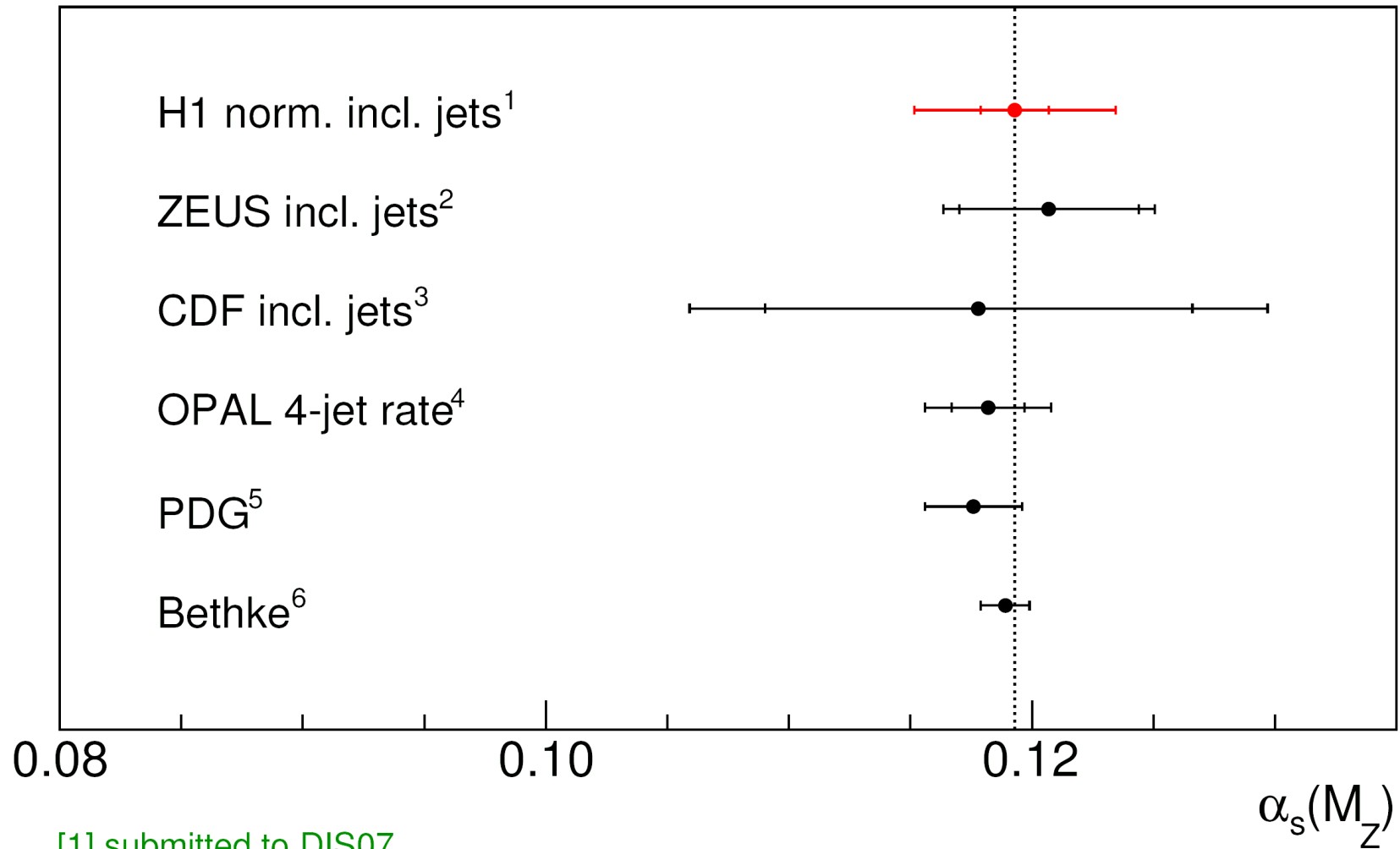
$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1193 \pm 0.0014 (\text{exp.}) \begin{matrix} +0.0046 \\ -0.0032 \end{matrix} (\text{th.}) \pm 0.0016 (\text{pdf.})$$

- Compatible within error, significant reduction of uncertainty
- Theory error main contribution (need NNLO)
- Restricting phase space to where theory error is smallest (700-5000GeV<sup>2</sup>)

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1172 \pm 0.0021 (\text{exp.}) \begin{matrix} +0.0032 \\ -0.0017 \end{matrix} (\text{th.}) \pm 0.0010 (\text{pdf.})$$

- Do not take scale error numerical value too seriously, only order of magnitude

# Comparison



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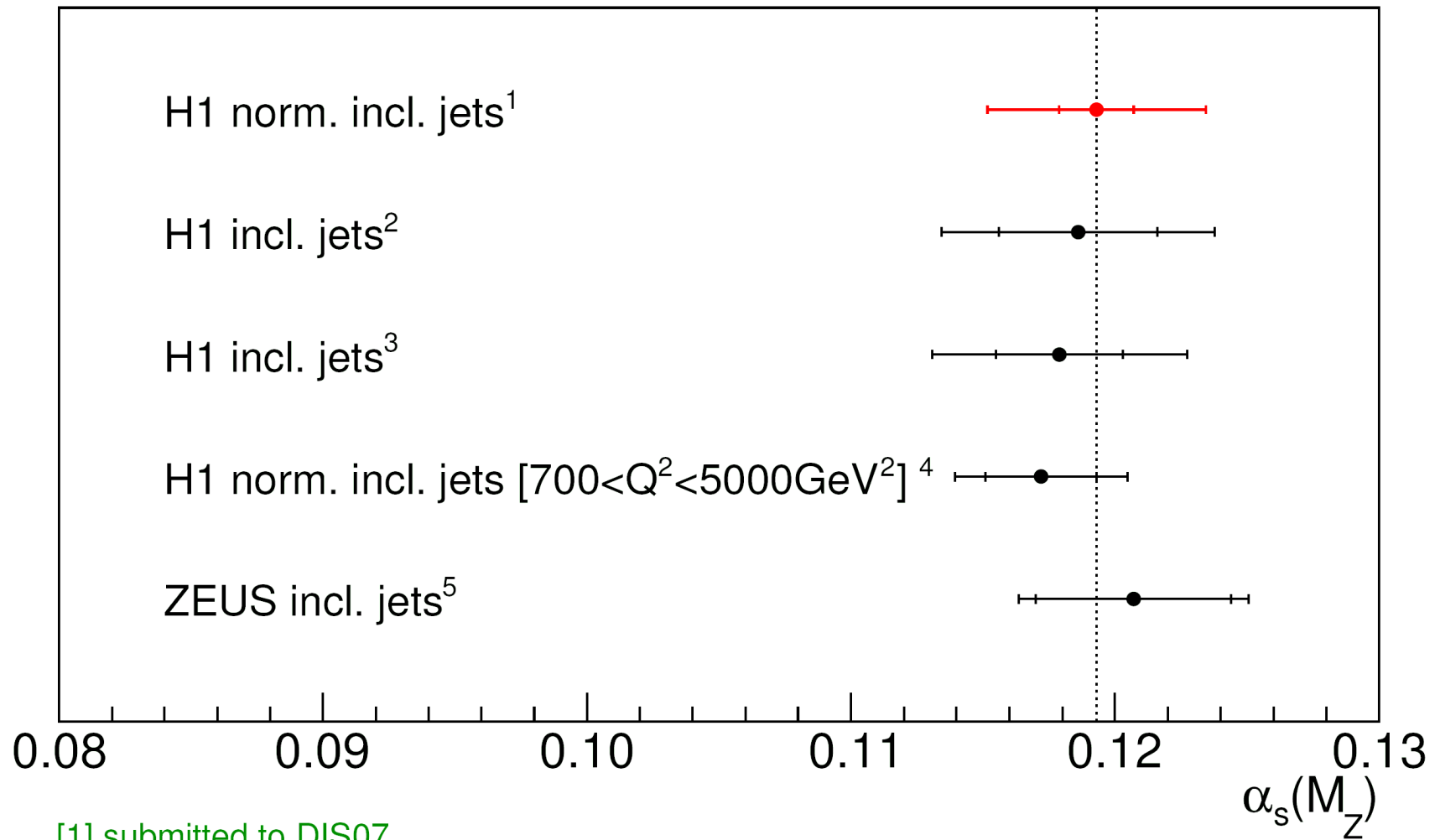
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# Summary

- Update on H1 inclusive jet cross section with **improved** precision
- Good description by pQCD at NLO (with hadronisation &  $Z^0$ )
- $\alpha_s$  fit, with small **experimental** uncertainty, large scale and pdf error
- Precision can be improved by fitting **normalised** inclusive jet cross section
$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1193 \pm 0.0014 (\text{exp.}) \begin{matrix} +0.0046 \\ -0.0032 \end{matrix} (\text{th.}) \pm 0.0016 (\text{pdf.})$$
- exp. error at the 1% level, **competitive** and consistent with other determinations
- HERA II statistics will allow for further improvements

# Backup



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