

# QCD Analyses of HERA cross section data - Determination of the proton PDFs and $\alpha_s$ -



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# Deep Inelastic Scattering at HERA

Inclusive lepton-proton cross sections:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{NC}(e^\pm p)}{dx dQ^2} \sim Y_+ F_2 - y^2 F_L \mp Y_- x F_3$$

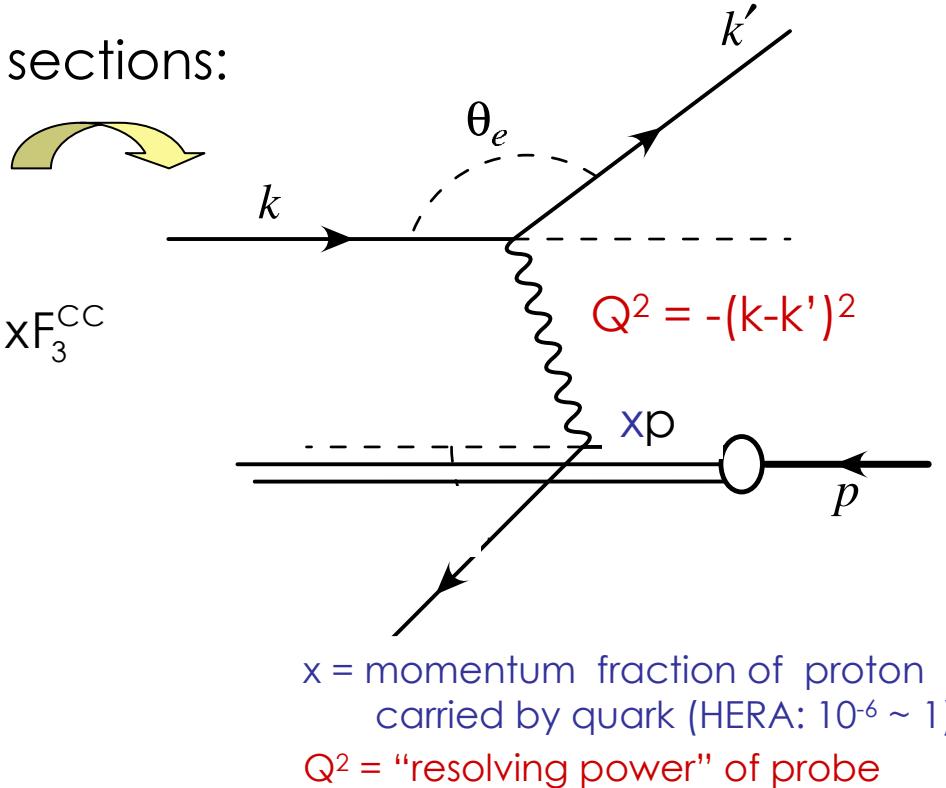
$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{CC}(e^\pm p)}{dx dQ^2} \sim Y_+ F_2^{CC} - y^2 F_L^{CC} \mp Y_- x F_3^{CC}$$

STRUCTURE FUNCTIONS:

$$F_2 \sim \sum x(q_i + \bar{q}_i) \quad \text{Dominates}$$

$$xF_3 \sim \sum x(q_i - \bar{q}_i) \quad \text{High } Q^2$$

$$F_L \sim \alpha_s \cdot x g(x, Q^2) \quad \text{High } y$$

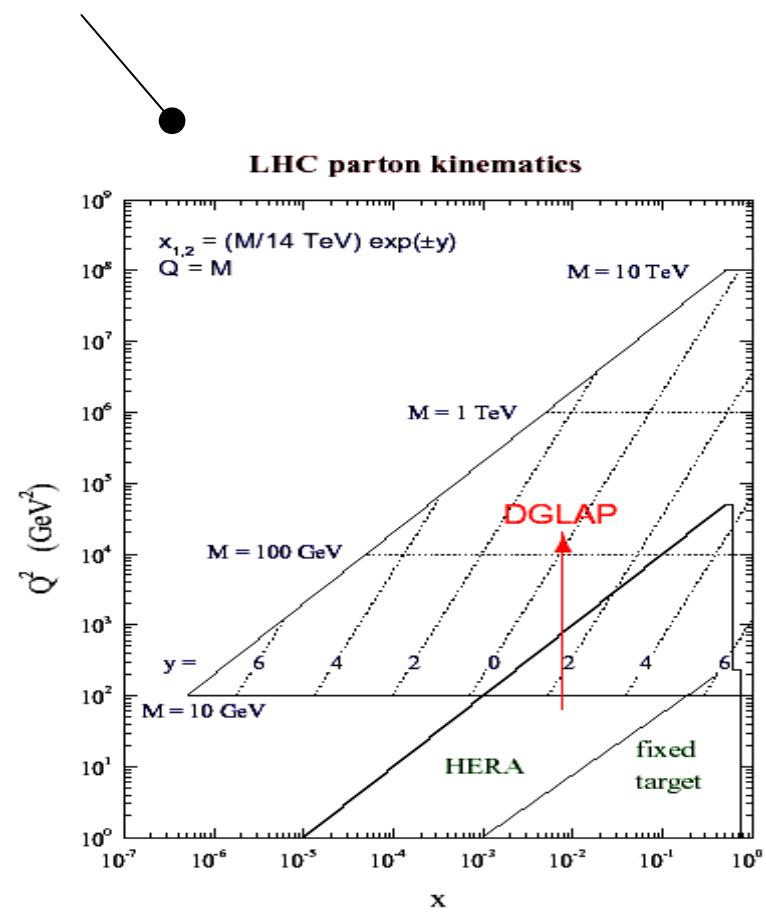
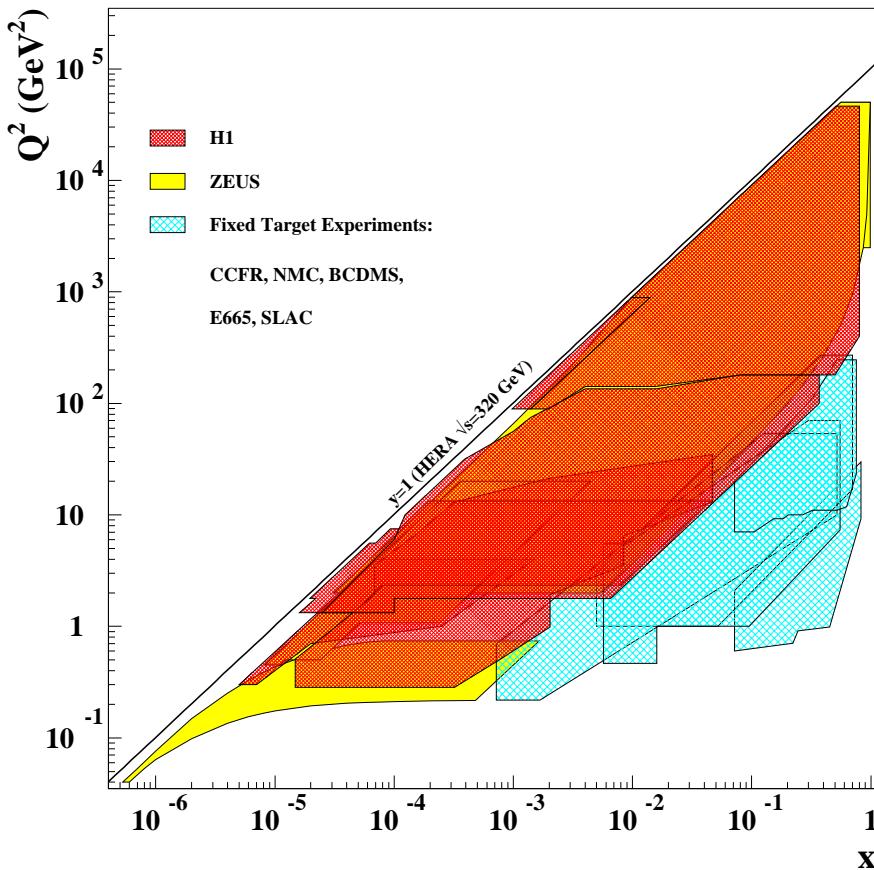


Factorisation: structure function = short range interaction  $\otimes$  PDFs

Now, after the HERA I phase (1994-2000) of data-taking, the full set of  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  inclusive Neutral Current (NC) and Charged Current (CC) cross sections are available for QCD analysis

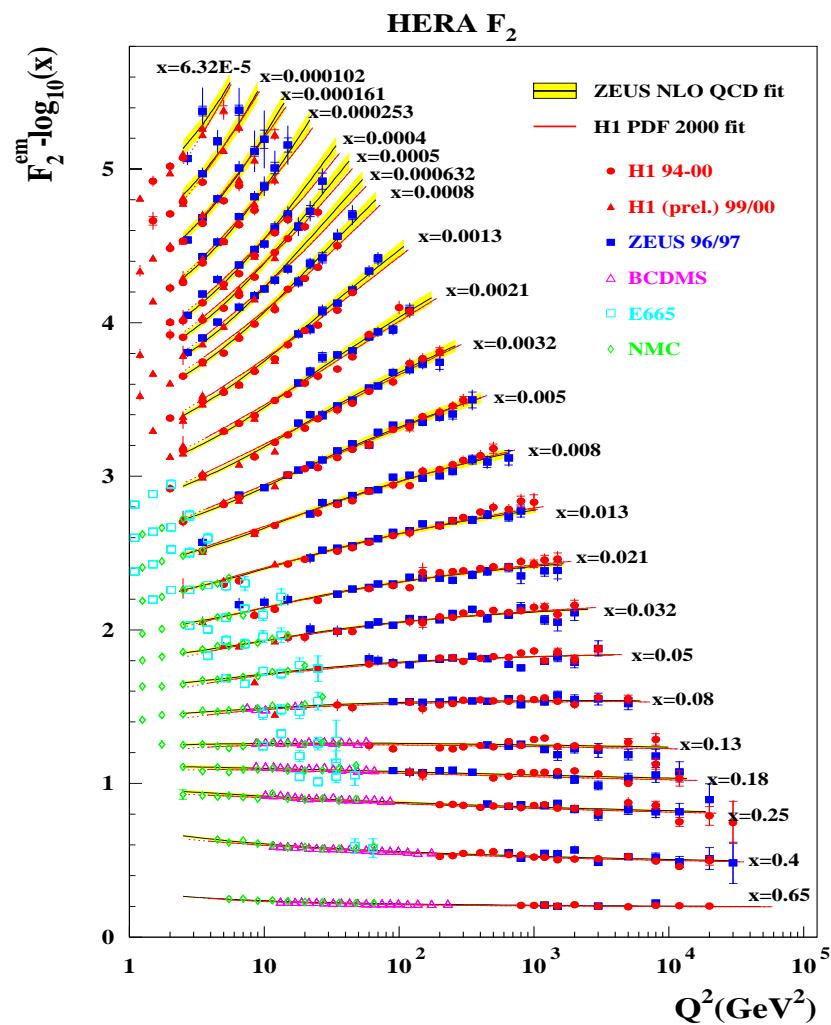
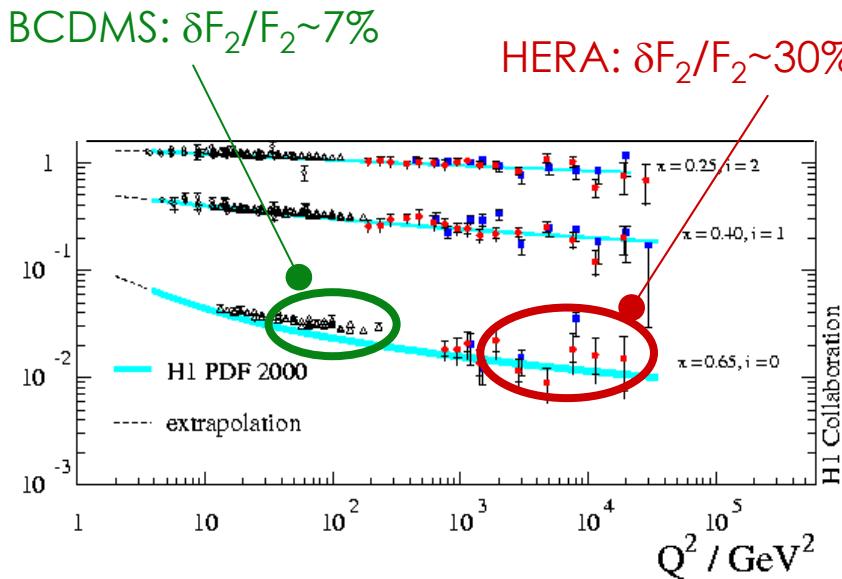
# HERA Kinematic ( $x, Q^2$ ) Range

- HERA data covers a large region in  $(x, Q^2)$   
→ Also in relevant  $x$ -region for LHC physics



# Neutral Current Processes

- $F_2$  dominates cross section
  - direct information on quarks
  - Information on gluon and sea through QCD radiation (scaling violations) at low- $x$
  - HERA high- $x$  data still less precise than fixed target



Typically 2-3% precision

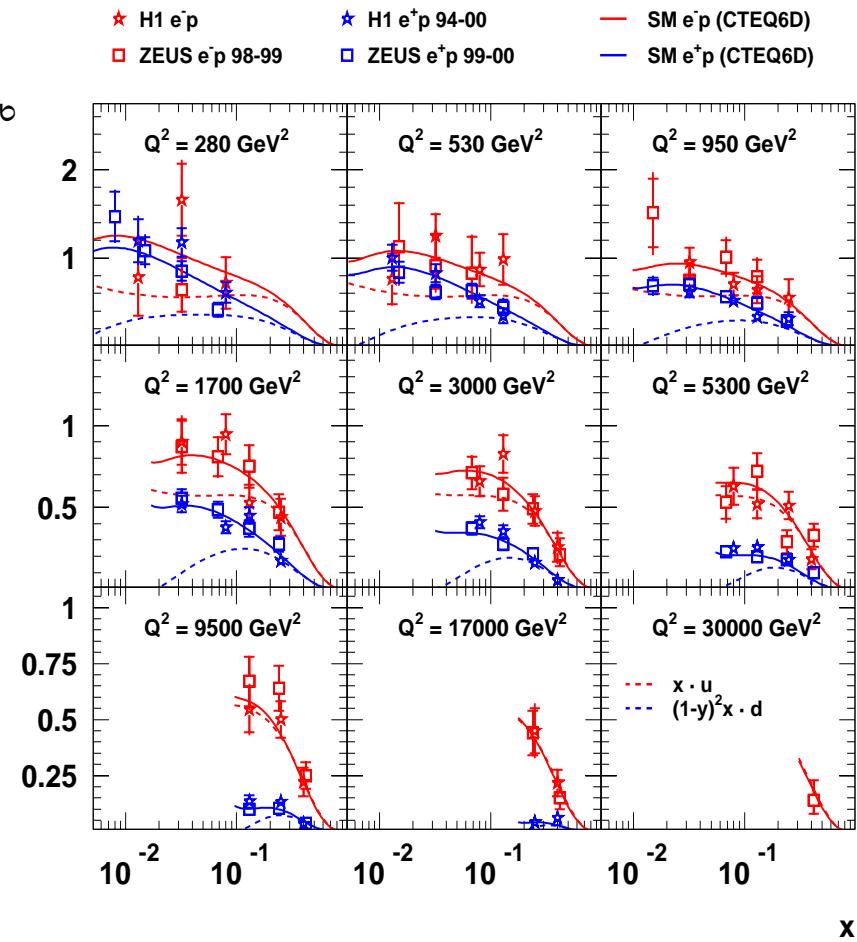
# Charged Current Processes

- Reduced cross sections:
$$\tilde{\sigma}_{CC}^+ = x [ \bar{U} + \bar{C} + (1-y)^2 (d+s) ]$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{CC}^- = x [ U + C + (1-y)^2 (\bar{d}+\bar{s}) ]$$
- Both  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  needed for flavour separation in QCD fits

Typical systematic uncertainties are  $\sim 6\%$

HERA Charged Current



# Global versus HERA Only QCD Analyses

Where does the information come from in a global fit (colliding beam + fixed target DIS) compared to a HERA only fit ?

	<b>Global</b>	<b>HERA Only</b>
Valence	Predominantly fixed target data ( $\nu$ -Fe and $\mu D/\mu p$ )	High $Q^2$ NC/CC $e^\pm$ cross sections
Sea	Low-x from NC DIS High-x from fixed target Flavour from fixed target	Low-x from NC DIS High-x ? Flavour ?
Gluon	Low-x from HERA $dF_2/d\ln Q^2$ High-x from momentum sum	Low-x from HERA $dF_2/d\ln Q^2$ High-x from momentum sum

## ANALYSES FROM HERA ONLY ...

- Systematics well understood
  - measurements from our own experiments !!!
- No complications from heavy target Fe or D corrections

# PDF Parameterisation

Conventional QCD predicts only the  $Q^2$  dependence of PDFs

- Parameterise PDFs in  $x$  at (low) starting scale  $Q_0^2$ :
  - $xf(x) = Ax^b(1-x)^c P(x)$  ←  $P(x)$  should be both flexible and stable
 
- Evolve PDFs with  $Q^2$  using NLO DGLAP equations
- Convolute PDFs with coefficient functions to give predictions for structure functions (and hence cross sections)
- Parameters  $A, b, c, \dots$  optimised in fit for each PDF

NOTE: Some params. constrained by momentum and no. sum rules

$$\sum_{\text{mom.}} = 1 \quad \int u_v dx = 2 \quad \int d_v dx = 1$$

model assumptions: form of parameterisation, starting scale  $Q_0^2$ , treatment of heavy quarks, sea flavour composition, cuts on data etc.  
 → should be reflected in the PDF uncertainty

# H1 PDF 2000 QCD Analysis

**H1 inclusive Neutral and Charged Current 94-00 cross sections**  
(Eur. Phys. J. C30 (2003), 1; hep-ex/0304003)

- Data span:  $8 \cdot 10^{-5} < x < 0.65$ ,  $1.5 < Q^2 < 30000 \text{ GeV}^2$  (621 points)
  - Cuts on data included in fit,  $Q^2 > 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Parameterisation at  $Q^2_0 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$ :
  - $xf(x) = A x^b (1-x)^c (1+ex+fx^2 +gx^3+\dots)$
- Choose to parameterise:  $xU=x(u+c)$ ,  $xD=x(d+s)$ ,  $x\bar{U}$ ,  $x\bar{D}$ ,  $xg$ 
  - Valence not fitted directly
- Parameterise each PDF by searching for  $\chi^2$  saturation
- Perform fit in ZERO MASS scheme (appropriate for high  $Q^2$ )
- Use H1+BCDMS p and D data as a cross-check

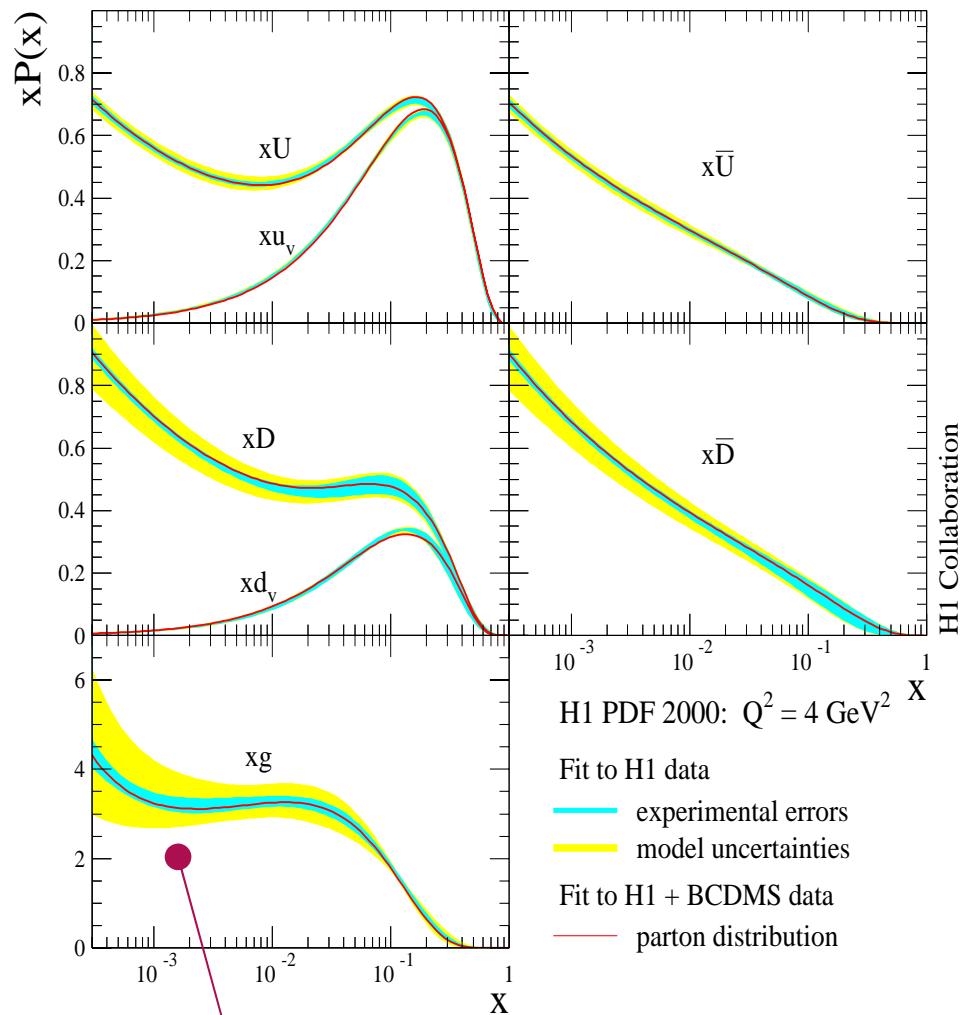
# H1 PDF 2000 QCD Analysis

10 free parameters:

$$\begin{aligned}xU(x) &= A_U x^{b_U} (1-x)^{c_U} (1+e_U x + g_U x^3) \\x\bar{D}(x) &= A_{\bar{D}} x^{b_{\bar{D}}} (1-x)^{c_{\bar{D}}} (1+e_{\bar{D}} x) \\x\bar{U}(x) &= A_{\bar{U}} x^{b_{\bar{U}}} (1-x)^{c_{\bar{U}}} \\x\bar{D}(x) &= A_{\bar{\bar{D}}} x^{b_{\bar{\bar{D}}}} (1-x)^{c_{\bar{\bar{D}}}} \\xg(x) &= A_g x^{b_g} (1-x)^{c_g} (1+e_g x)\end{aligned}$$

- Yellow band shows model uncert. with contributions from variation of:
  - input scale  $Q_0^2$
  - minimum  $Q^2$  cut
  - charm and strange fraction
  - quark masses
  - value of  $\alpha_s$
- Including precise BCDMS data yields consistent PDFs

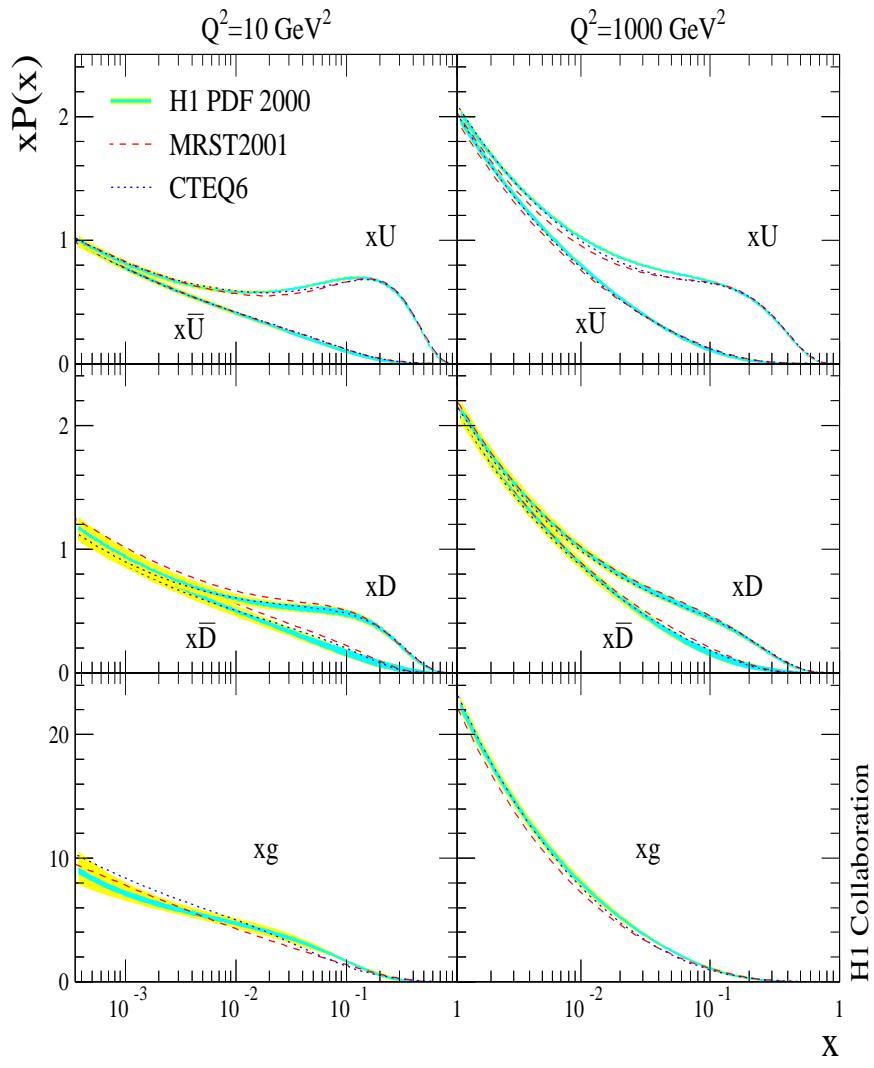
largest contribution to model uncertainty on gluon arises from variation of  $\alpha_s$



# H1 PDF 2000 QCD Analysis

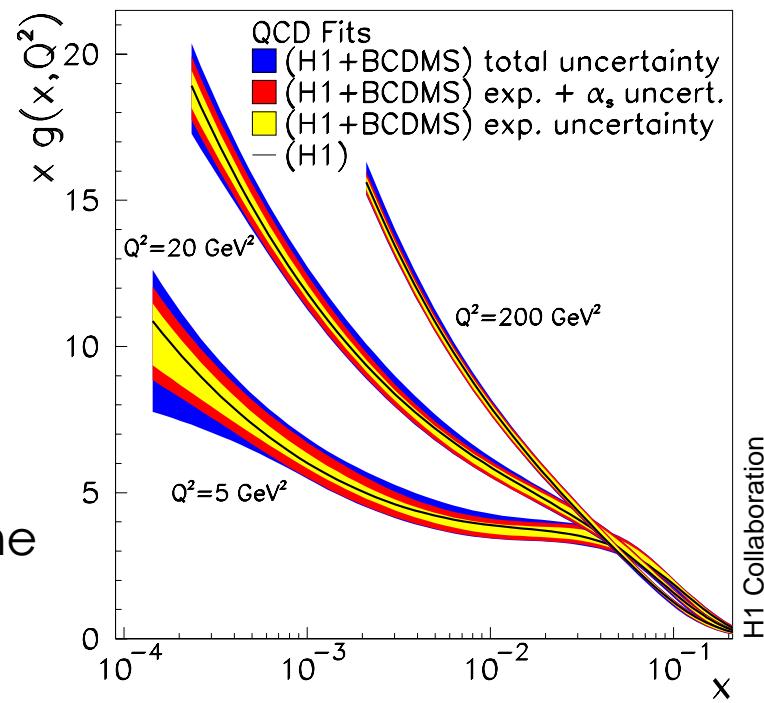
- Fit provides tight constraint on  $xU$  and  $x\bar{D}$ :
  - u-type quark precision:
    - 1% for  $x=0.001$
    - 7% for  $x=0.65$
  - d-type quark precision:
    - 2% for  $x=0.001$
    - 30% for  $x=0.65$
- Strong rise in gluon (and sea) as  $Q^2$  increases

Look forward to higher luminosity for high- $x$  region  
 → HERA II data already here!



# H1 Gluon and $\alpha_s$ Determination

- Perform dedicated QCD analysis to determine gluon density and  $\alpha_s$
- Use precise H1 and BCDMS-p  $F_2$  data to constrain valence region
  - Proton targets only  $\Rightarrow$  no nuclear correction required
- Parameterisation:
  - $xf(x) = Ax^b(1-x)^c(1+d\sqrt{x}+ex+fx^2)$
  - Model uncertainty evaluation only
- Choose to parameterise:
  - $xg$
  - $xV = 9/4u_v + 3/2d_v$
  - $xA = u + 1/4(u_v+2d_v)$
  - with  $F_2 = 1/3xV + 11/9xA$
- Use massive 3-flavour number scheme
- Extracted value of  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$ :
 
$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1150 \pm 0.0017(\text{exp.})^{+0.0009}_{-0.0007}(\text{model}) \text{ with scale uncertainty of 0.005}$$



# ZEUS Only QCD Analyses

## Inclusive Neutral and Charged Current 94-00 cross sections

(contributed paper to ICHEP04, abstract: 5-0263)

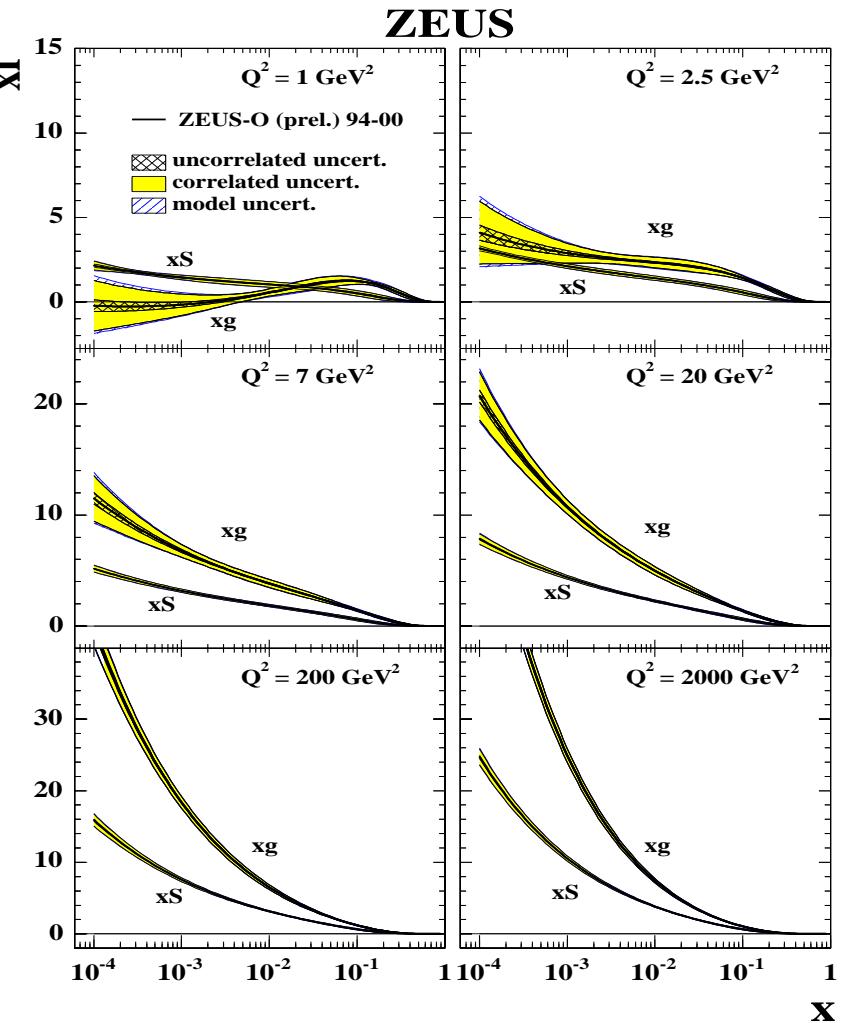
- Data span  $6.3 \cdot 10^{-5} < x < 0.65, 2.7 < Q^2 < 30000 \text{ GeV}^2$  (507 points)
  - Cuts on data included in fit,  $W^2 > 20 \text{ GeV}^2$  (removes higher twist)
- Parameterisation at  $Q^2_0 = 7 \text{ GeV}^2$ :
  - $xf(x) = A x^b (1-x)^c (1+ex)$  ← no  $\chi^2$  advantage in more terms
- Choose to parameterise  $xu_v, xd_v, xS$  (sea),  $xg, x\Delta=x(\bar{d}-\bar{u})$ 
  - fix  $A_\Delta$  consistent with Gottfried sum rule (no sens. in HERA data)
- Perform fit in Roberts-Thorne Variable Flavour No. scheme

Compared to global fits, information lost on high- $x$  sea and gluon:

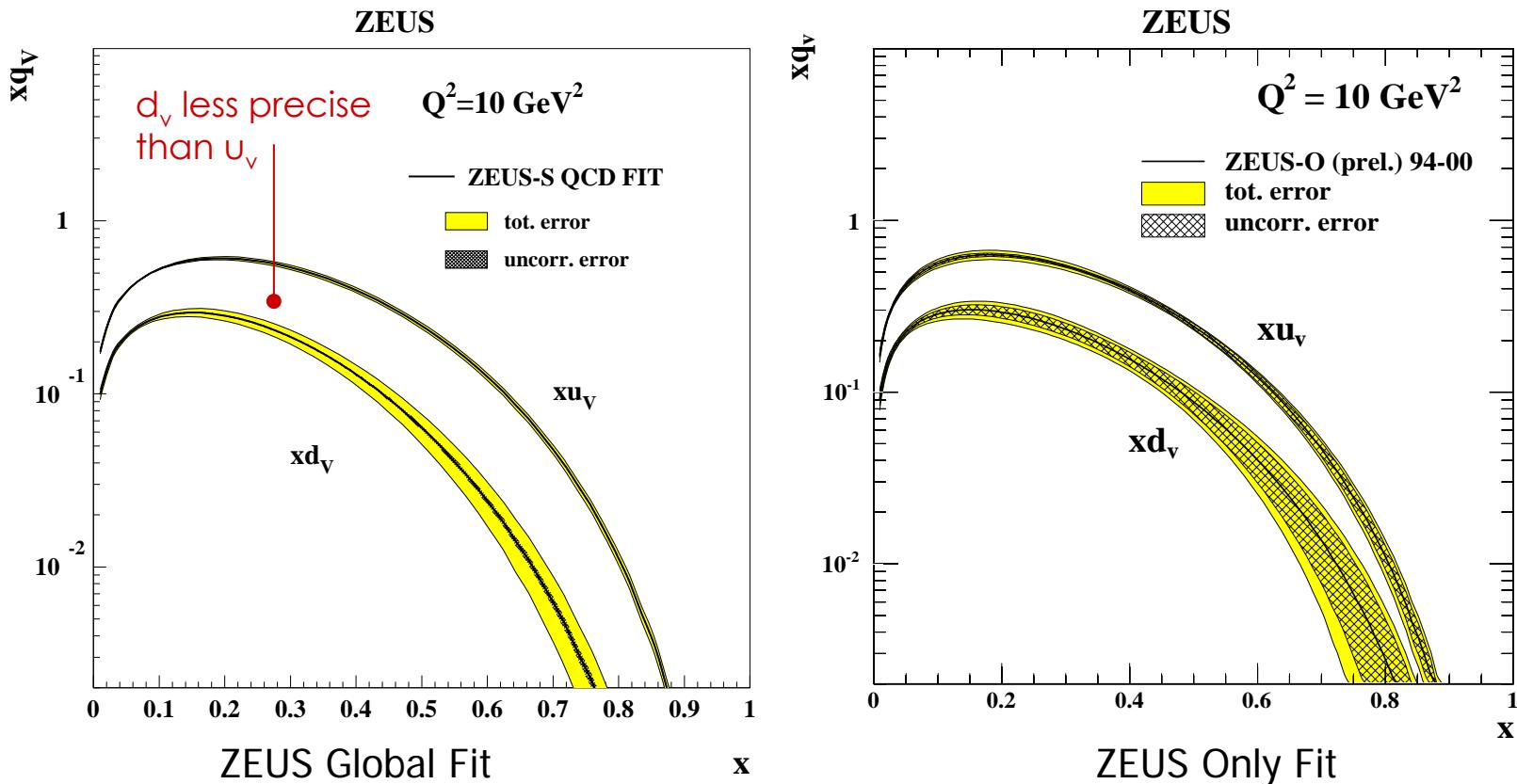
→ Use ZEUS global fit to constrain high- $x$  sea and gluon ( $c_s$  &  $c_g$ )

# ZEUS Only QCD Fit: Sea and Gluon

- Blue hatched band represents model uncertainties with contributions from varying:
  - Starting scale  $Q_0^2$
  - Form of parameterisation
  - Values of  $c_g$  and  $c_s$
- Compatible with global fits (see later)
  - low- $x$  information comes from HERA data anyway



# ZEUS Only QCD Fit: Valence



- Information in HERA Only fits from high  $Q^2$  NC/CC data  
→ Comparable to global fit BUT now more potential for improvement
  - now use proton target data only (particularly important for  $d_v$ )
    - Uncertainties are statistics dominated → improvement from HERA II

# ZEUS JETS QCD Analysis

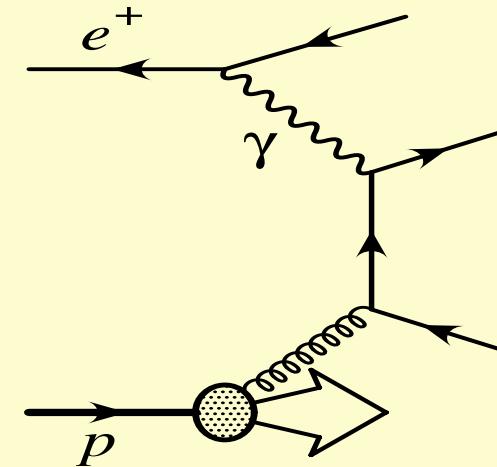
## Inclusive Neutral and Charged current cross sections + JET DATA

Jet cross sections directly sensitive to gluon through Boson-Gluon-Fusion process →

- sensitivity of included data:  $x \sim 0.01 - 0.1$

Two data-sets from 96-97 ( $\sim 40\text{pb}^{-1}$ ):

1. Inclusive jet DIS data ( $Q^2 > 125 \text{ GeV}^2$ )
2. Two-jet  $\gamma p$  ( $Q^2 \sim 0 \text{ GeV}^2$ ,  $E_T > 14, 11 \text{ GeV}$ )



DIS:  $Q^2 \gg 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

$\gamma p$ :  $Q^2 \sim 0 \text{ GeV}^2$

- Same assumptions/parameterisation as ZEUS Only EXCEPT:
  - now have direct information on gluon  $\Rightarrow$  retain all of  $b_g$ ,  $c_g$  and  $e_g$  **free**

# Addition of Jet Data: The Method

A full NLO calculation for jet cross sections, for each iteration of the  $\chi^2$  minimisation, would be prohibitively slow

1. Use NLO QCD program **initially**, to produce grid of weights in  $(x, \mu_F^2)$ , giving **perturbatively calculable part of cross section**
2. Convolute with PDFs to produce fast prediction for cross section:

$$\sigma = \sum_{a=g,q,\bar{q}} \int dx \alpha_s^n(\mu_R) c_{a,n}(x, \mu_F^2) f_a(x, \mu_F^2) \times (1 + \delta_{had})$$

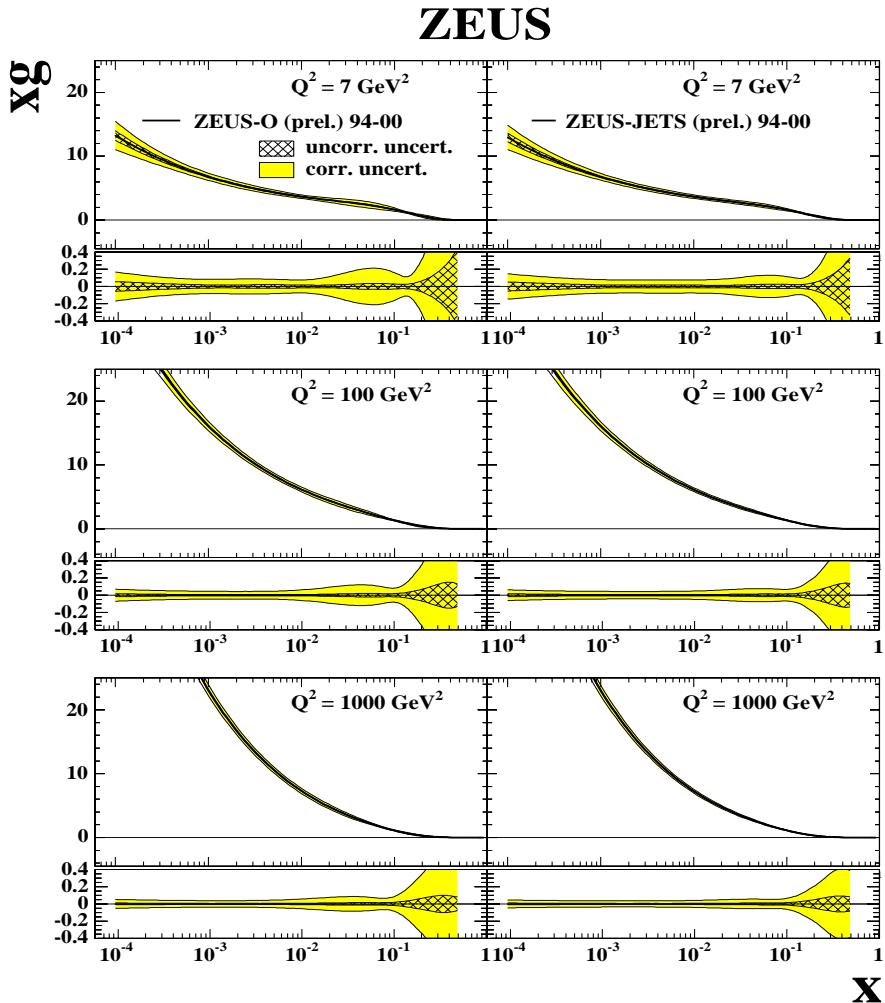
$c_{a,n}$  = weight ;  $f_a$  = PDF of parton  $a$  ;  $(1 + \delta_{had})$  = hadronisation correction

Grid cross sections reproduce real NLO predictions to better than 0.5%

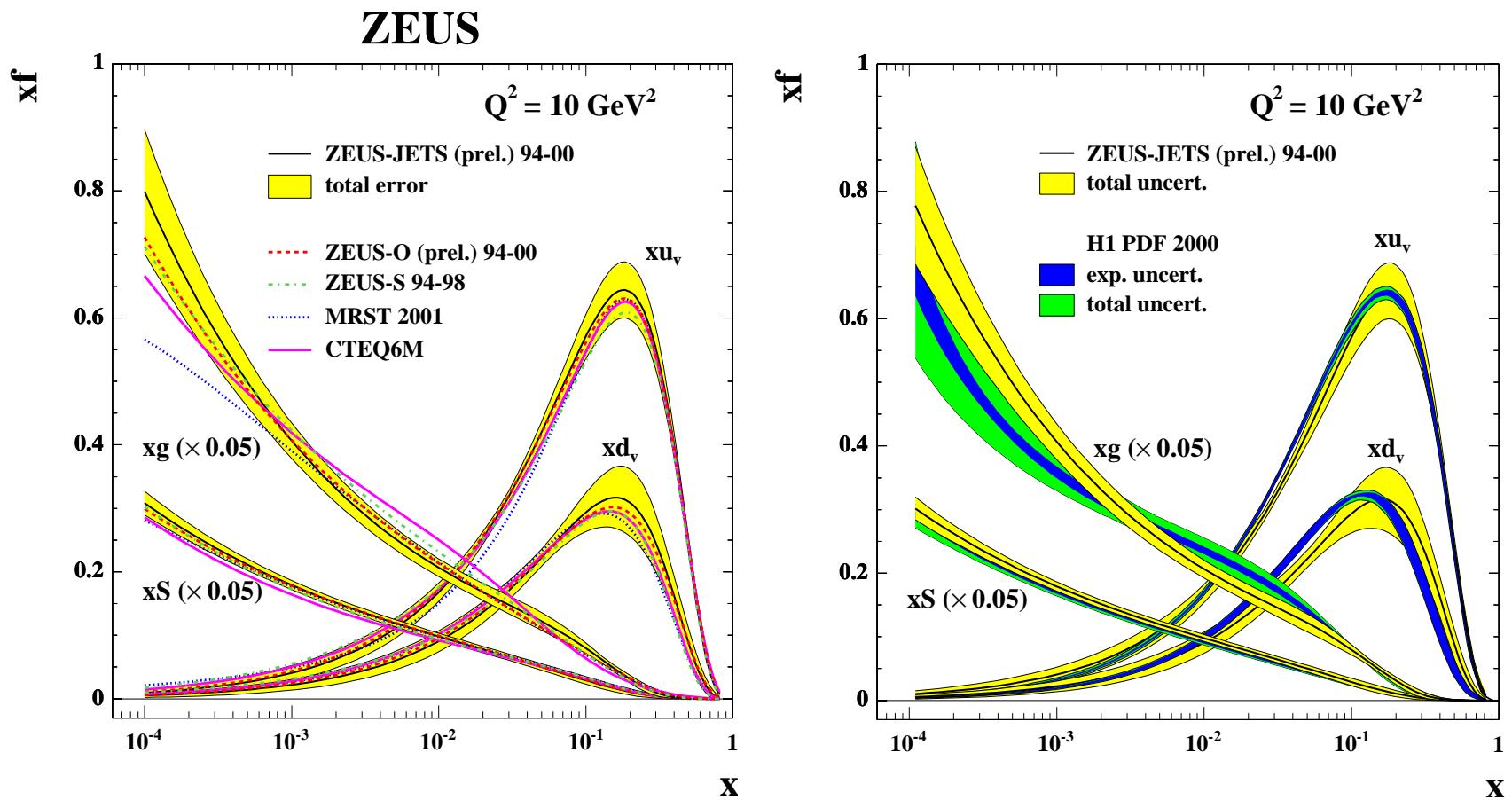
# Gluon Distribution

$$xg(x) = A_g x^{b_g} (1-x)^{c_g} (1 + e_g x)$$

- Compare to equivalent fit without jet data  
→ Significant improvement in determination of gluon at mid-to-high- $x$ 
  - persists to high scales



# ZEUS-JETS versus Other PDFs

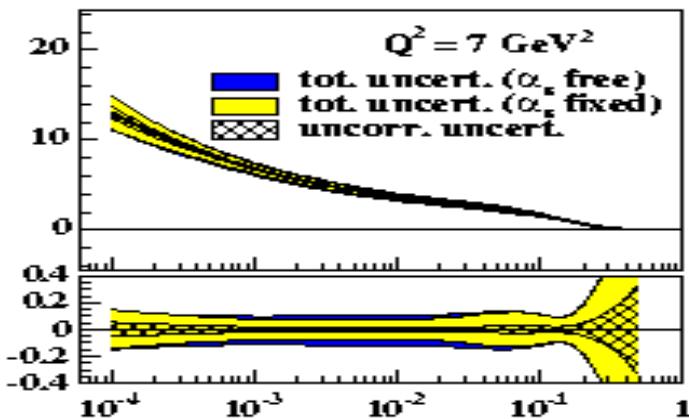


ZEUS-JETS:  $\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 0.83$

- Compatible with other fits given different data and fitting schemes

# Extraction of $\alpha_s$ from ZEUS-JETS Fit

- Extra information on gluon allows a competitive determination of  $\alpha_s$  using only HERA data  $\Rightarrow$  treat  $\alpha_s$  as free parameter in fit  
 $\rightarrow$  leads to larger uncertainty on gluon (represented by blue band)



## SOURCES OF UNCERTAINTY ON $\alpha_s$

- |         |   |
|---------|---|
| uncorr: | Statistical and uncorrelated systematic uncertainties |
| corr:   | Correlated systematics                                |
| model:  | Model uncertainties                                   |

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1183 \pm 0.0007(\text{uncorr.}) \pm 0.0027(\text{corr.}) \pm 0.0008(\text{model})$$

— additional scale uncertainty: 0.005

# Summary of HERA $\alpha_s$ Measurements

Three competitive extractions  
of  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  from HERA QCD fits

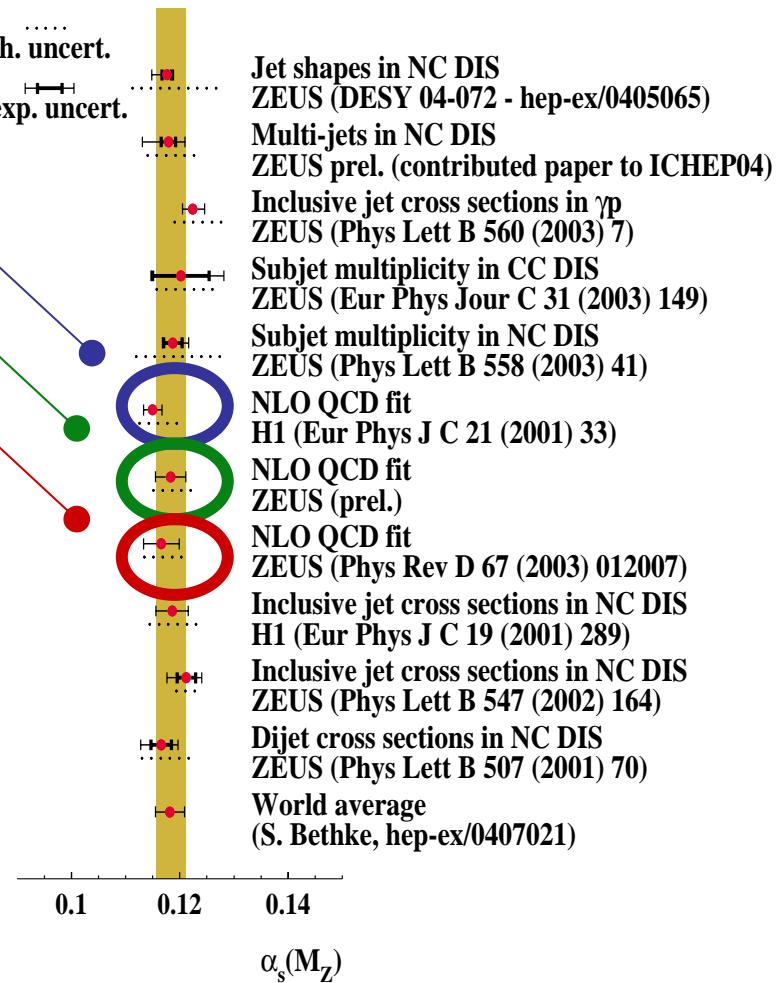
→ H1+BCDMS

→ ZEUS-JETS

→ ZEUS Global (not discussed here)

QCD Fit	$\alpha_s(M_Z)$
H1+BCDMS	$0.1150 \pm 0.0017(\text{exp.})^{+0.0009}_{-0.0007}(\text{model})$
ZEUS-JETS	$0.1183 \pm 0.0028(\text{exp.}) \pm 0.0008(\text{model})$
ZEUS Global	$0.1166 \pm 0.0049(\text{exp.}) \pm 0.0018(\text{model})$

- Limiting factor in the precision are the scale uncertainties ( $\sim 0.004\text{-}0.005$ )
  - NNLO analyses are expected to significantly reduce these

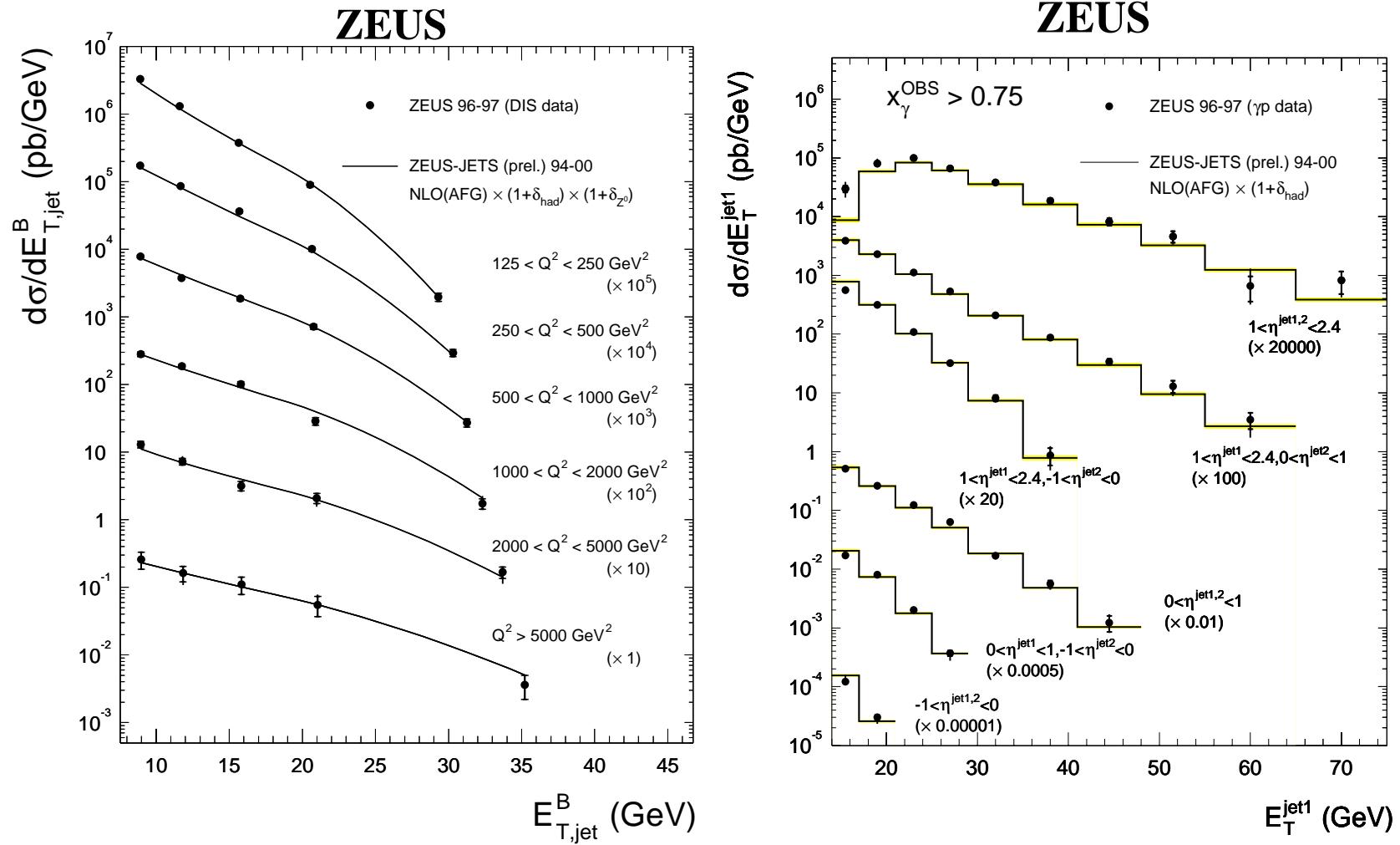


# Summary and Outlook

- Proton PDFs extracted by H1 and ZEUS using HERA data alone
  - Using only pure proton target data avoids uncertainties due to heavy target corrections (particularly important for d-valence)
  - Uncertainties arising from combining systematics from different experiments are reduced in HERA Only fits
- Jet data have been added in an independent ZEUS QCD fit
  - Significant improvement to constraint of gluon at mid-to-high-x
- Precise extractions of  $\alpha_s$  from HERA QCD analyses
- Look forward to HERA II data for:
  - more precise valence ( $xF_3$  from NC/ flavours from CC)
  - more precise high-x sea
  - LOW ENERGY RUNNING AT HERA II ? For higher-x and for gluon ( $F_L$ )

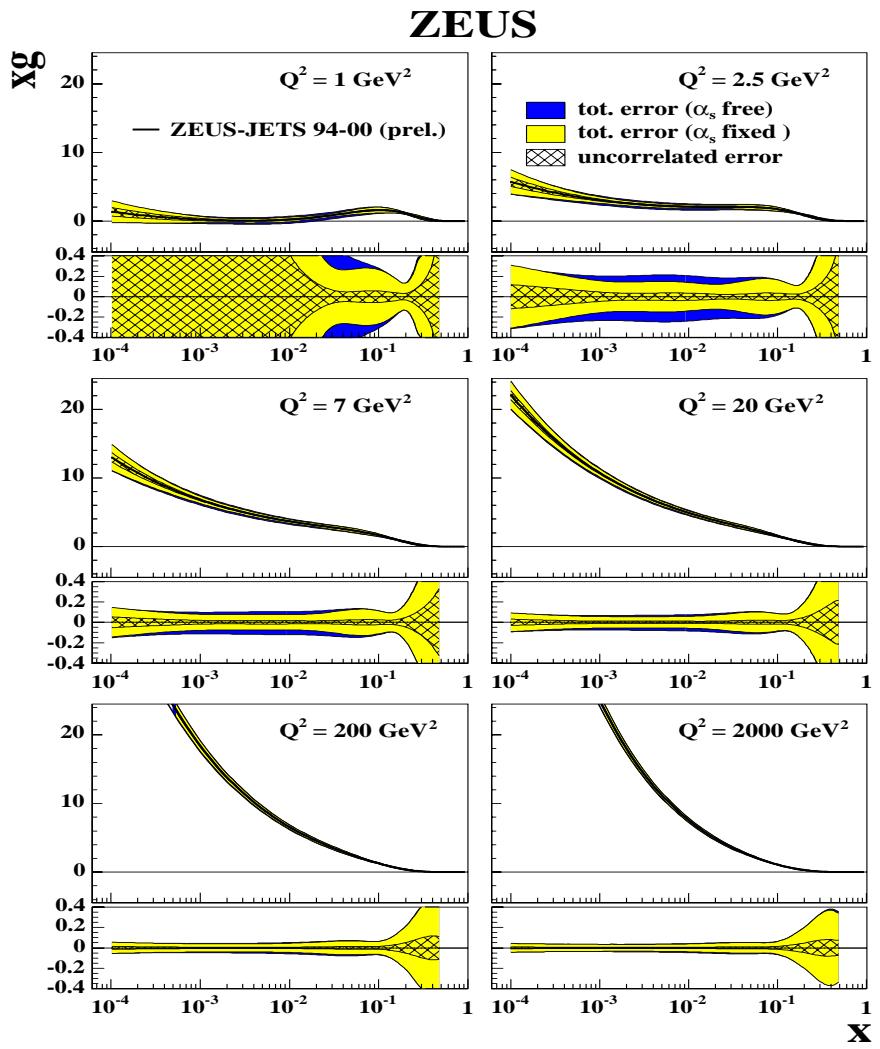
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# ZEUS-JETS: Comparison with Data



# Full ZEUS-JETS Fit Gluon Summary

C.Gwenlan, QCD Analyses at HERA, ICHEP04



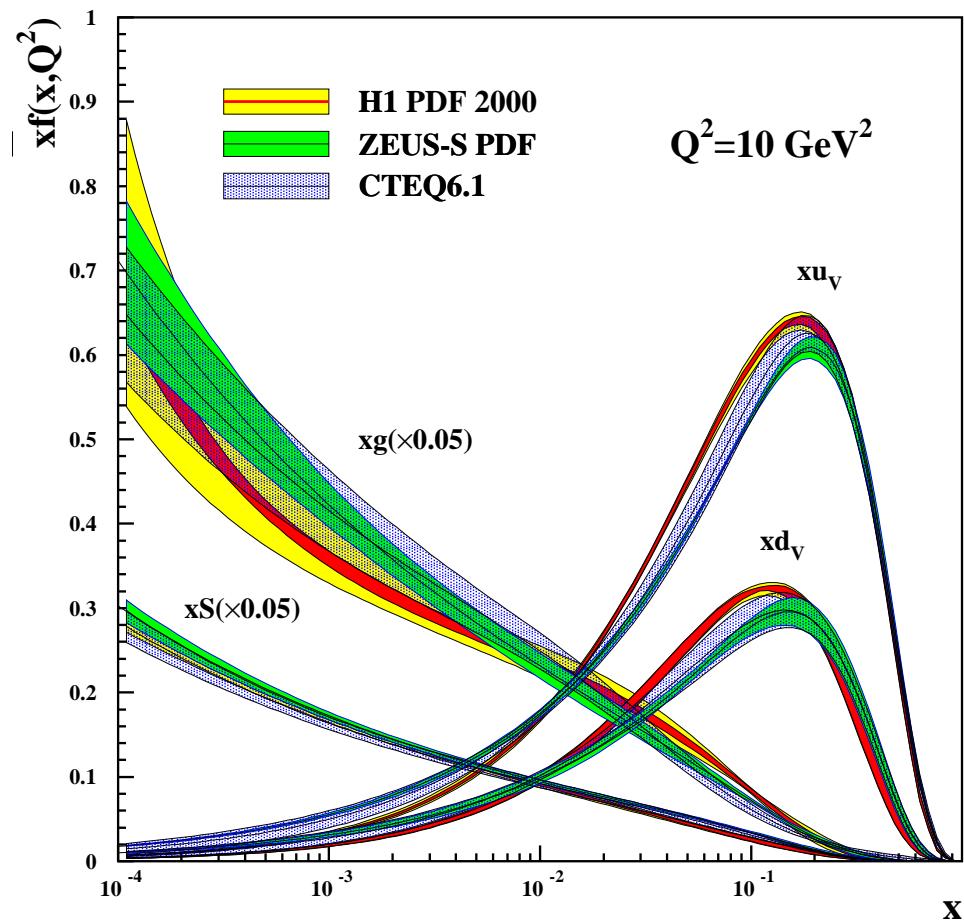
# PDF Determination in QCD Analyses

- Provided the structure of the electroweak interaction is well understood, perturbative QCD can be used to extract parton densities (or any other parameter entering the cross section e.g.  $\alpha_s$ ) using QCD evolution

Now, after the HERA I phase (1994-2000) of data-taking, the full set of  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  inclusive Neutral Current (NC) and Charged Current (CC) cross sections are available for QCD analysis

HERA II results already here → to be used in future QCD analyses

# H1 PDF 2000 versus Global Fits



H1PDF 2000:  $\chi^2/\text{ndf}=0.88$

- Reasonable agreement between fits given the different data and fitting schemes
- CTEQ generally lies between H1 PDF 2000 and the ZEUS global fit