

# *QCD analysis of combined HERA $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$ data and Impact for the LHC*



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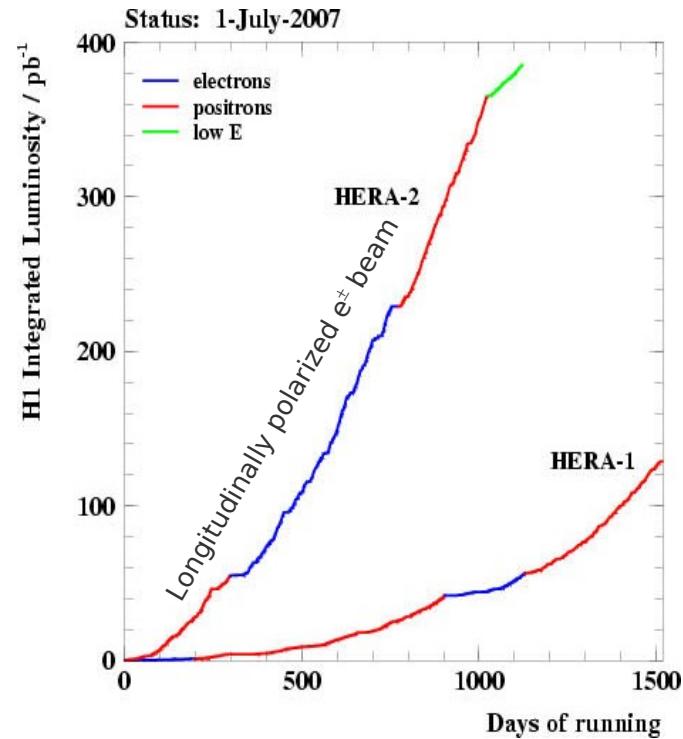
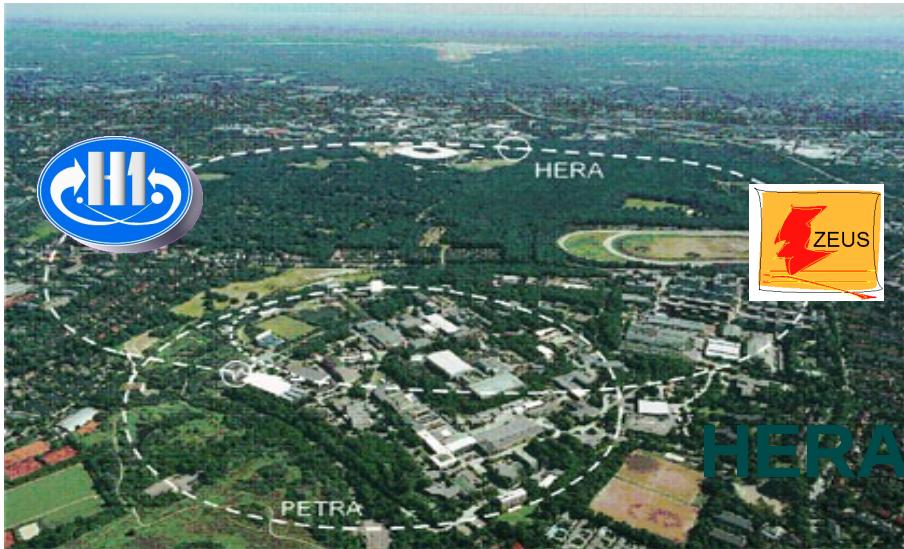
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## Outline:

- Introduction and motivation
- Scanning of  $m_c$  in different heavy flavour schemes
- Predictions of  $Z/W^\pm$  cross sections at LHC
- Summary

# HERA Collider

World's only  $e\bar{p}$  collider

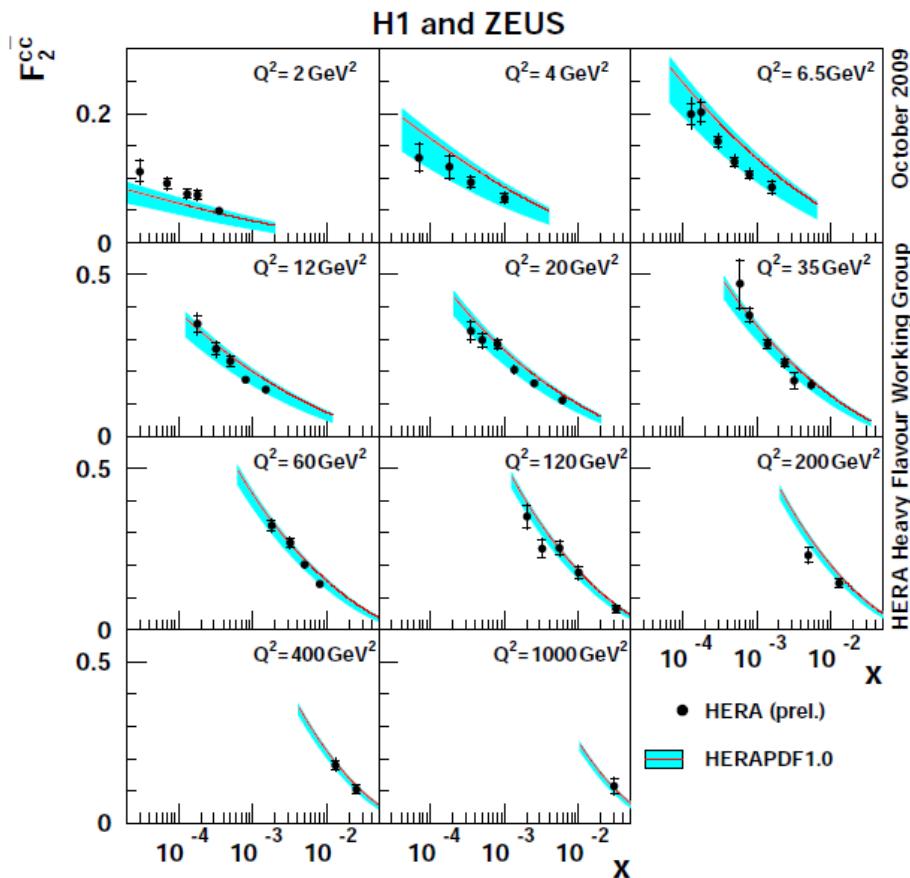


- $e^\pm(27.5 \text{ GeV}), p(460-920 \text{ GeV}), \sqrt{s} = 225-318 \text{ GeV}$
- Two large multipurpose detectors: **H1** and **ZEUS**
- 1994-2000: HERA I data  
2003-07 HERA II data with longitudinal  $e^\pm$  polarisation
- $\sim 0.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of luminosity recorded by each experiment

# HERA charm data

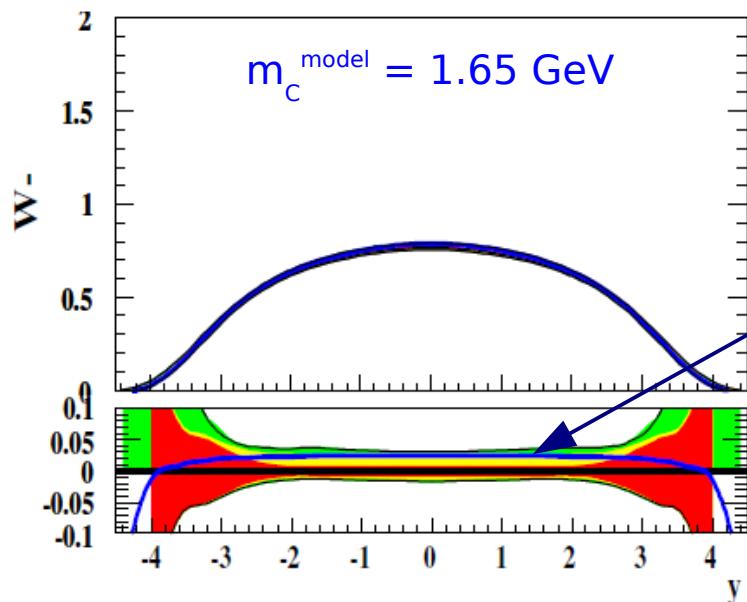
Preliminary  $F_2^{cc}$  measurement - most precise determination of  $F_2^{cc}$  from HERA

- combination of 9 H1 and ZEUS measurement → 5-10% uncertainty
- significant contribution to DIS cross section



- good agreement of HERAPDF1.0 predictions with  $F_2^{cc}$  data
- the band represents HERAPDF1.0 uncertainty from  $m_c^{\text{model}}$  parameter variation (1.35 - 1.65 GeV)
- data are within the uncertainty band  
→ can provide significant constraint on  $m_c^{\text{model}}$

# *Impact on the LHC predictions*



- variation of  $m_c^{\text{model}}$  changes predictions of Z/W cross sections at LHC by  $\sim 3\%$

A.M.Cooper-Sarkar,  
PDF4LHC, March 2010

- sensitivity to charm of the LHC cross section predictions comes from flavour sensitivity of the inclusive DIS data

$$xU = xu + xc \quad x\bar{U} = x\bar{u} + x\bar{c} \quad xD = xd + xs \quad x\bar{D} = x\bar{d} + x\bar{s}$$

- where  $U$  is fixed by  $F_2$  data  
larger  $m_c^{\text{model}} \rightarrow$  less  $c$  in sea  $\rightarrow$  more  $u$

- important at low  $Q^2$  and low  $x$

# *QCD analysis of $F_2^{cc}$ data*

NLO QCD analysis of the preliminary HERA  $F_2^{cc}$  data

- together with the published inclusive HERA data (**HERAPDF 1.0**)
- same settings as in HERAPDF 1.0      [arXiv:0911.0884](https://arxiv.org/abs/0911.0884)
- different implementations of general mass variable flavour number (GM-VFNS) schemes for heavy flavour treatment used in this study:

RT standard

used by MSTW08

RT optimised [arXiv:1006.5925]

ACOT-full

used by CTEQ4,5,6HQ

S-ACOT- $\chi$

used by CTEQ6.5,6.6,CT10

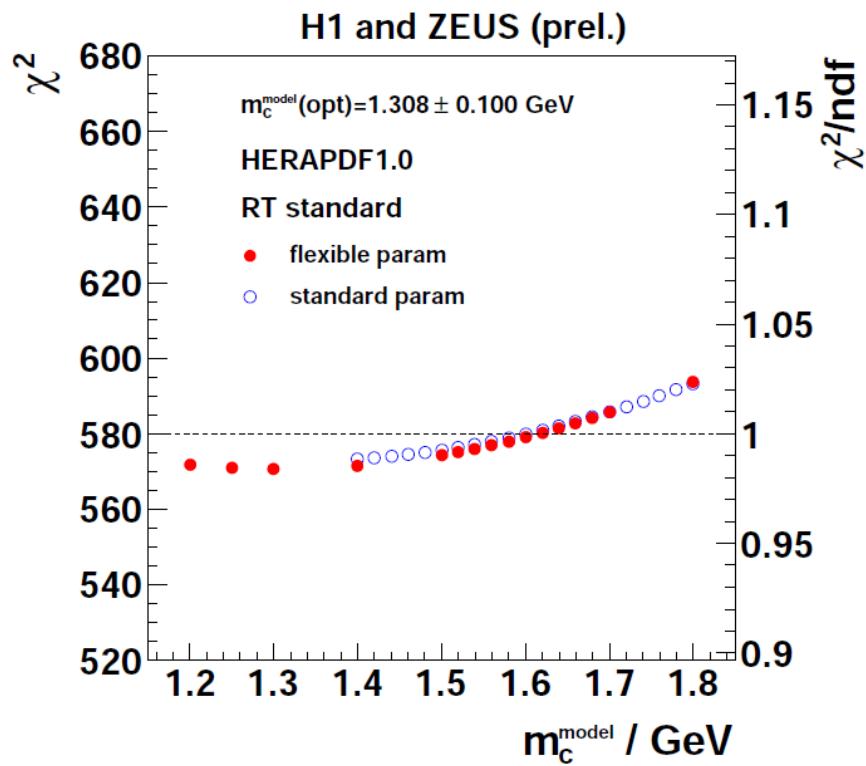
ZMVFNS

used by NNPDF2.0

- the optimal  $m_c^{\text{model}}$  value is determined for each of these schemes ( $m_c^{\text{model}}(\text{opt})$ ), which gives the best description of the HERA data
- PDFs are propagated to MCFM to calculate  $Z/W^\pm$  cross section predictions

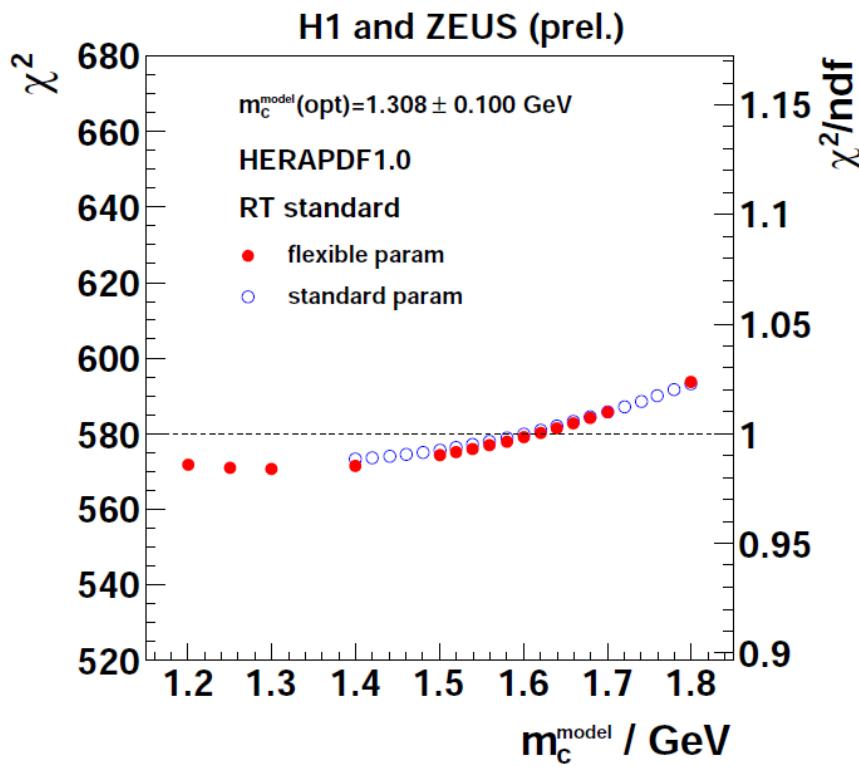
# $m_c^{model}$ scan

## HERA I inclusive

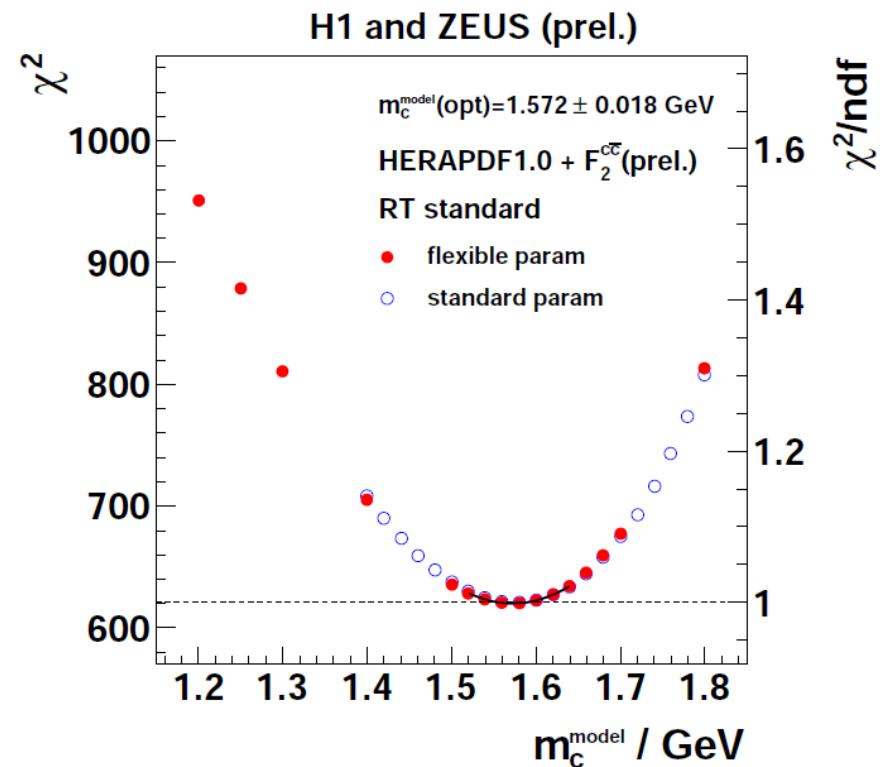


# $m_c^{model}$ scan

HERA I inclusive

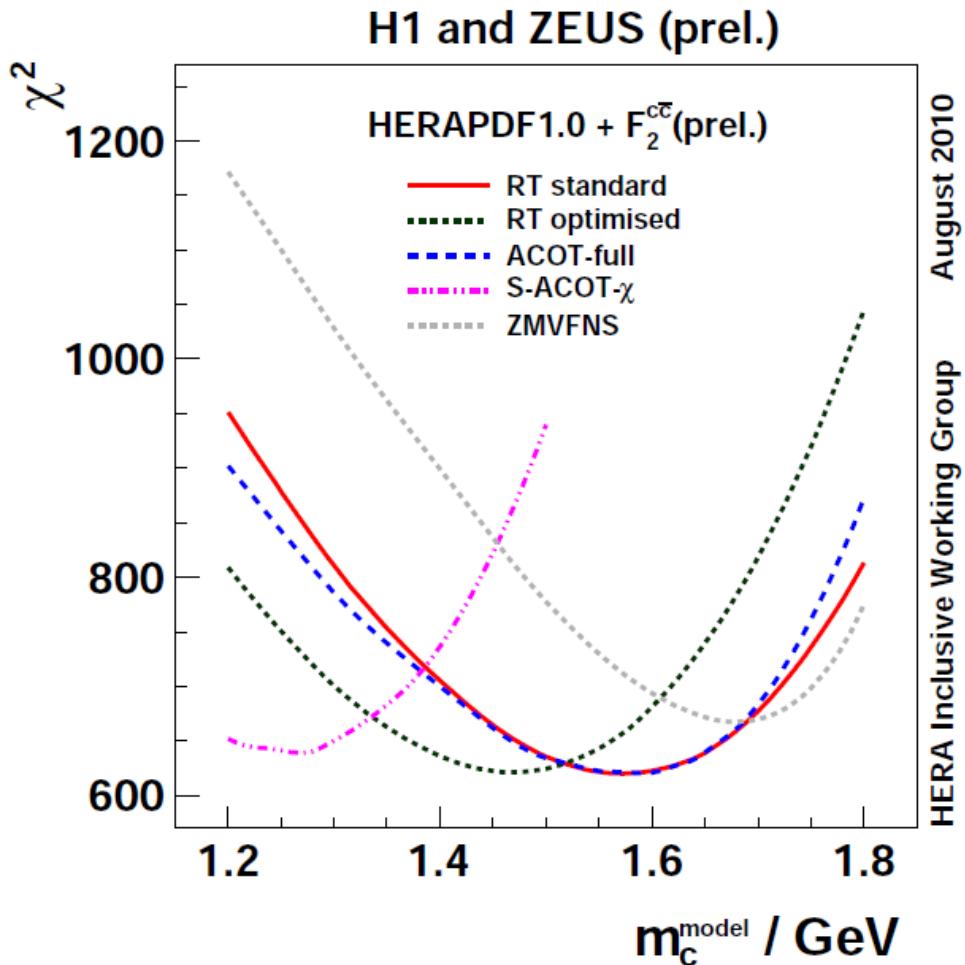


HERA I inclusive +  $F_2^{cc}$



- $m_c^{model}$  (opt) is determined fitting the  $\chi^2$  dependance on  $m_c^{model}$

# $m_c^{\text{model}}$ scan: different HF schemes

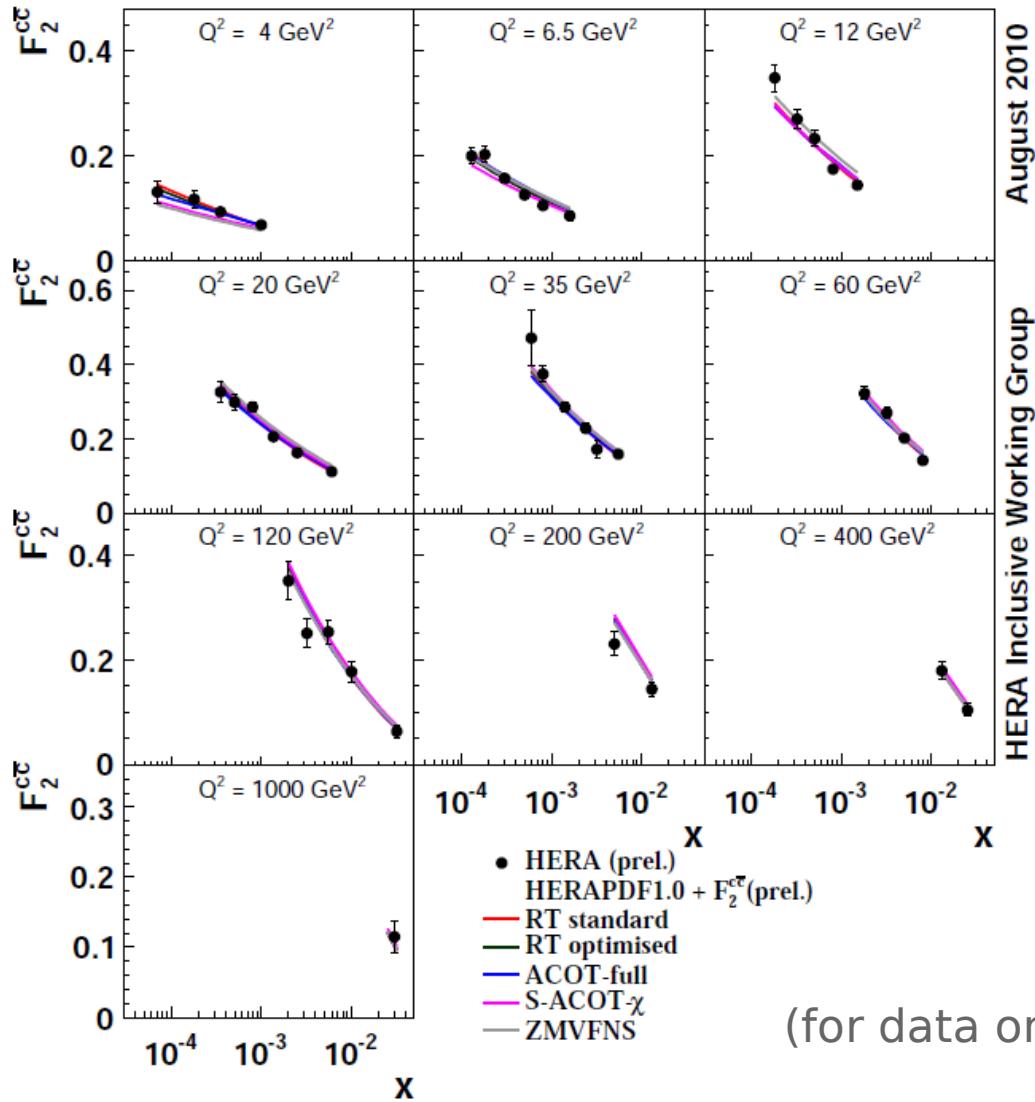


- different schemes have different optimal  $m_c^{\text{model}}$

scheme	$m_c^{\text{model}}(\text{opt})$
RT standard	1.58
RT optimised	1.46
ACOT-full	1.58
S-ACOT- $\chi$	1.26
ZMVFN	1.68

All models yield similar  $\chi^2$  values for  $m_c^{\text{model}} = m_c^{\text{model}}(\text{opt})$  except ZMVFN which returns significantly worse value

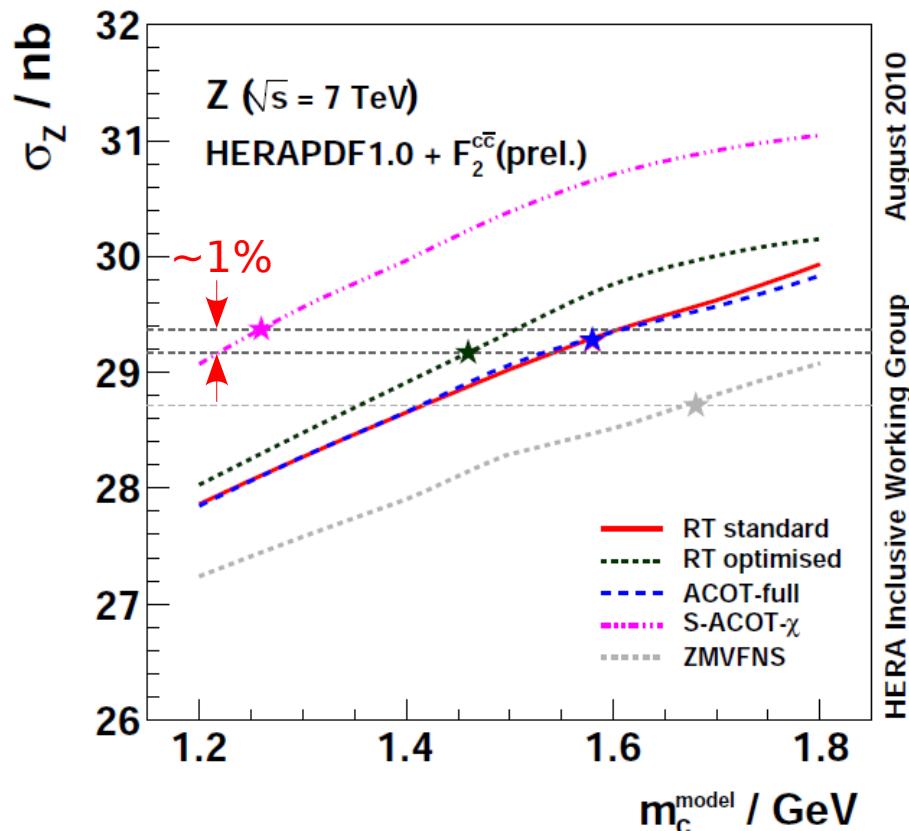
# Comparison with data (at $m_c^{\text{model}}(\text{opt})$ )



- different predictions at  $m_c^{\text{model}}(\text{opt})$  are similar
- good overall agreement with  $F_2^{cc}$  data

(for data only uncorrelated errors shown)

# Z/W cross sections at LHC



(★ indicate  $\sigma$  with PDFs at  $m_c^{\text{model}}(\text{opt})$ )

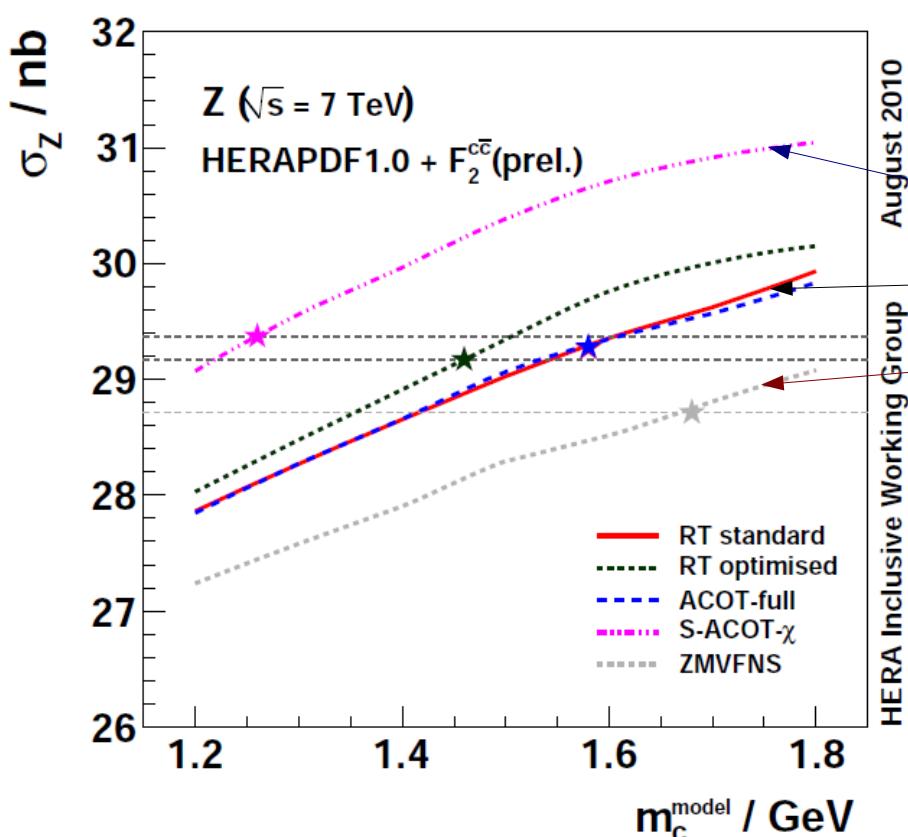
- cross section predictions for each scheme vary  $\sim 7\%$  for  $1.2 < m_c^{\text{model}} < 1.8 \text{ GeV}$

- predictions for all schemes vary  $\sim 7\%$  for given  $m_c^{\text{model}}$

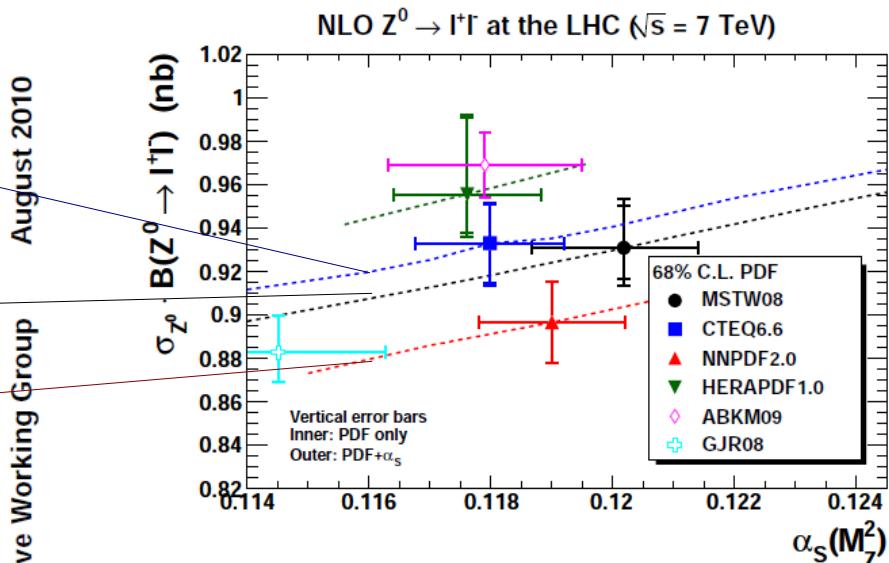
BUT:

- predictions for  $m_c^{\text{model}}(\text{opt})$  has much smaller spread:  
 $< 1\%$  ( $\sim 2\%$  with ZMVFNS)

# Z/W cross sections at LHC



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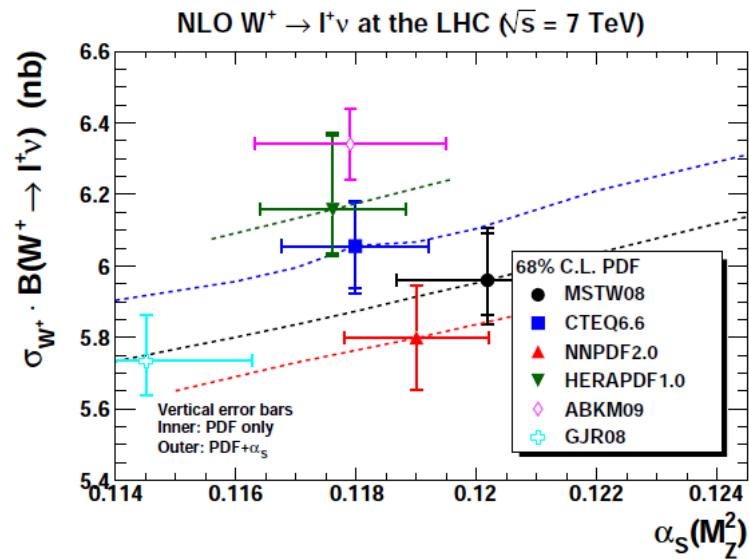
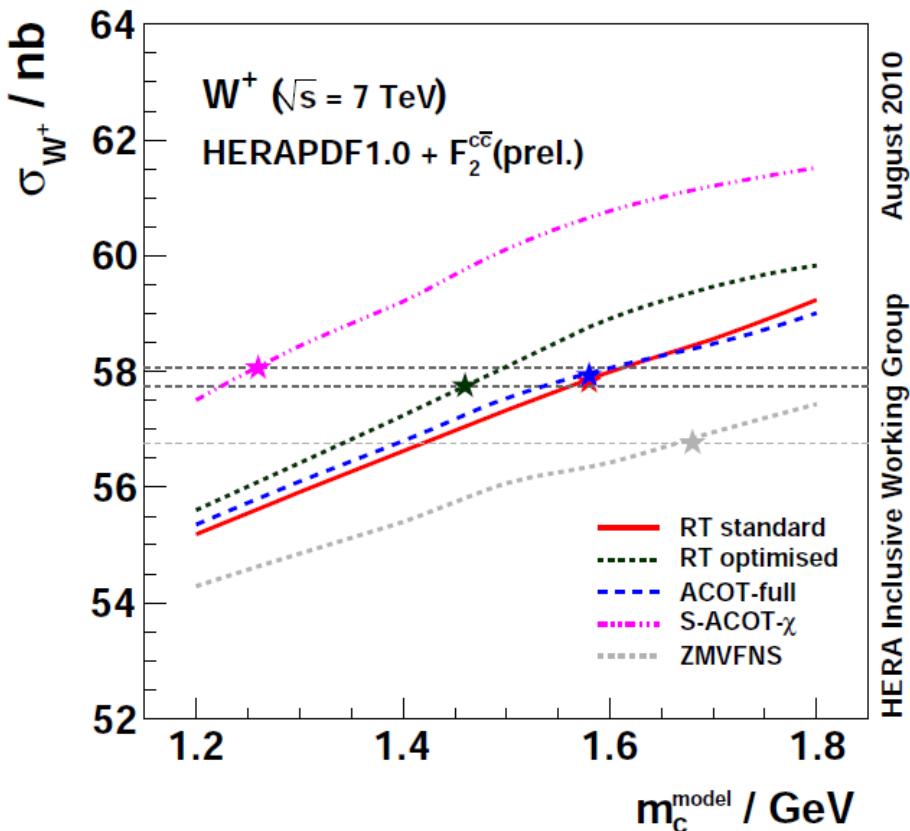


- comparison of Z cross sections as a function of  $\alpha_S(M_Z^2)$
- G.Watt, PDF4LHC 26.03.201

similar decomposition in predictions

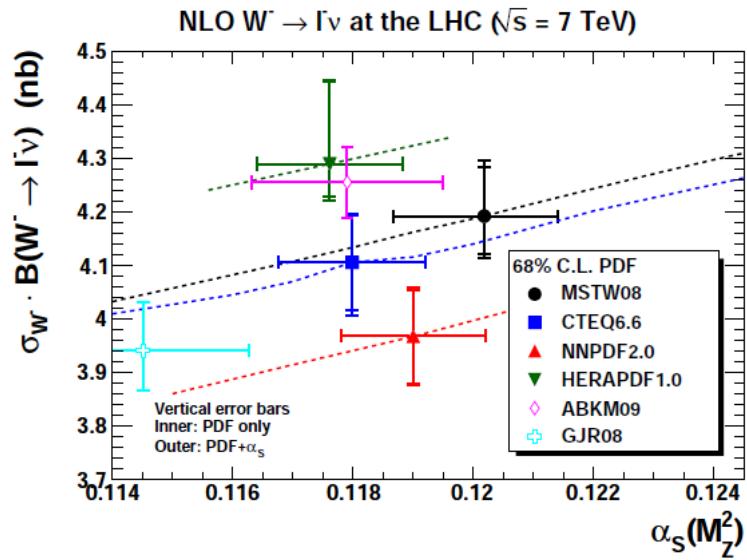
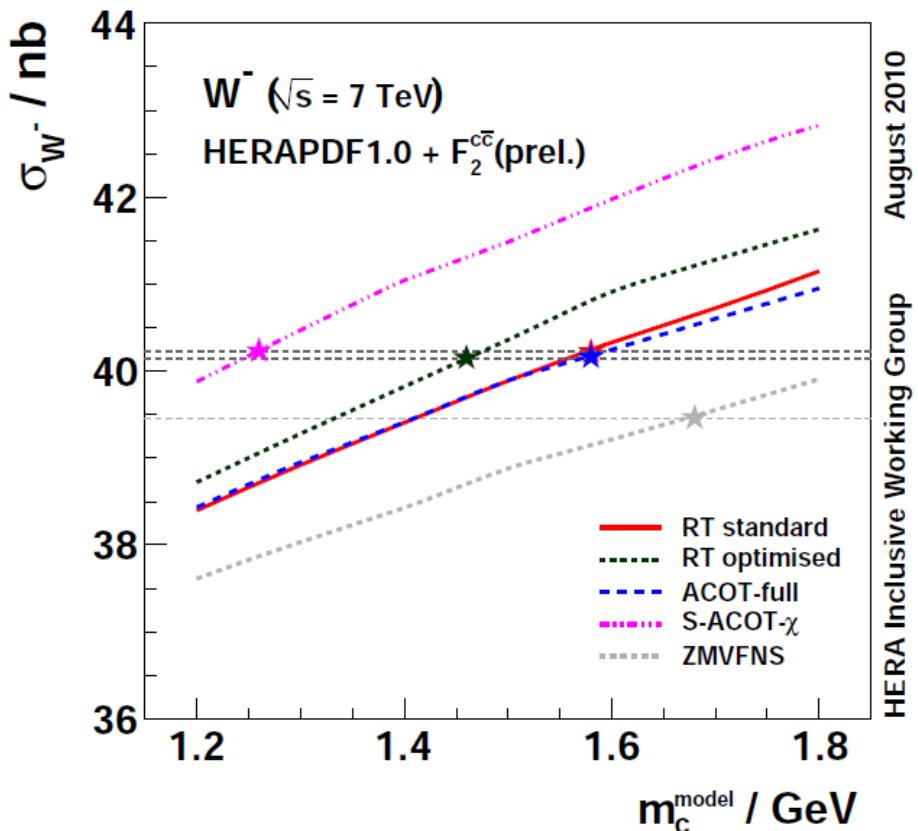
→ could explain part of existing differences between PDFs

# Z/W cross sections at LHC



- comparison of W<sup>+</sup> cross sections as a function of  $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$
- G.Watt, PDF4LHC 26.03.201

# Z/W cross sections at LHC



- comparison of  $W^-$  cross sections as a function of  $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$
- G.Watt, PDF4LHC 26.03.201

# *Summary*

A NLO QCD analysis of  $F_2^{cc}$  data using various HF schemes was presented

- $m_c^{\text{model}}$  (opt) determined for each HF scheme with full uncertainty
- PDFs with  $m_c^{\text{model}}$  (opt) were used to predict Z/W production cross sections at the LHC

→ uncertainty on the Z/W cross section predictions at LHC is reduced to below 1%

More details can be found:

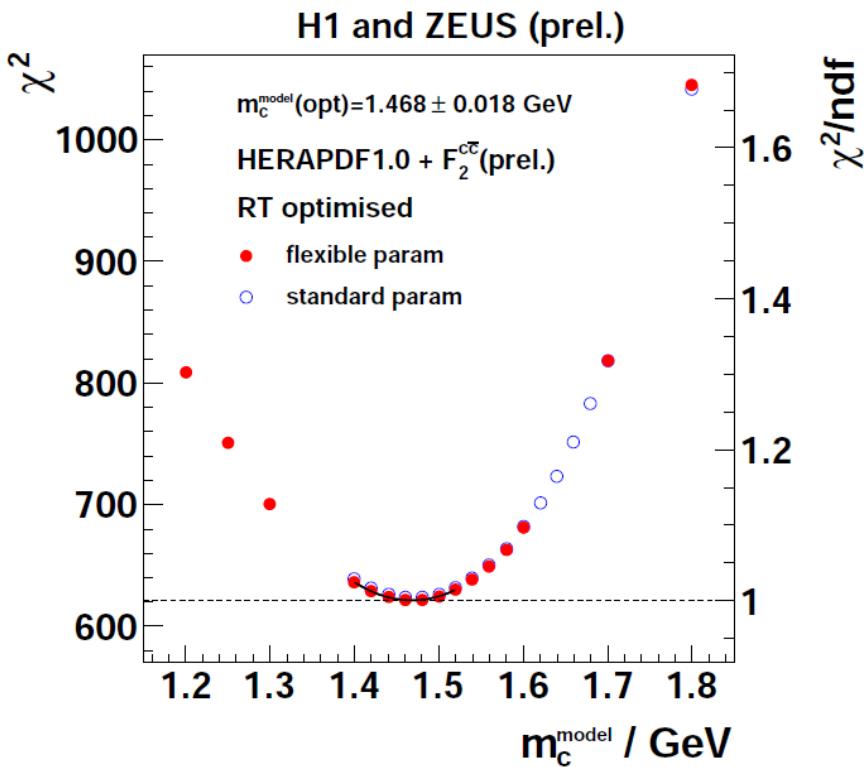
H1prelim-10-143, ZEUS-prel-10-019

[https://www.desy.de/h1zeus/combined\\_results/heavy\\_flavours/MCScan/charmfit.pdf](https://www.desy.de/h1zeus/combined_results/heavy_flavours/MCScan/charmfit.pdf)

## *Back-up slides*

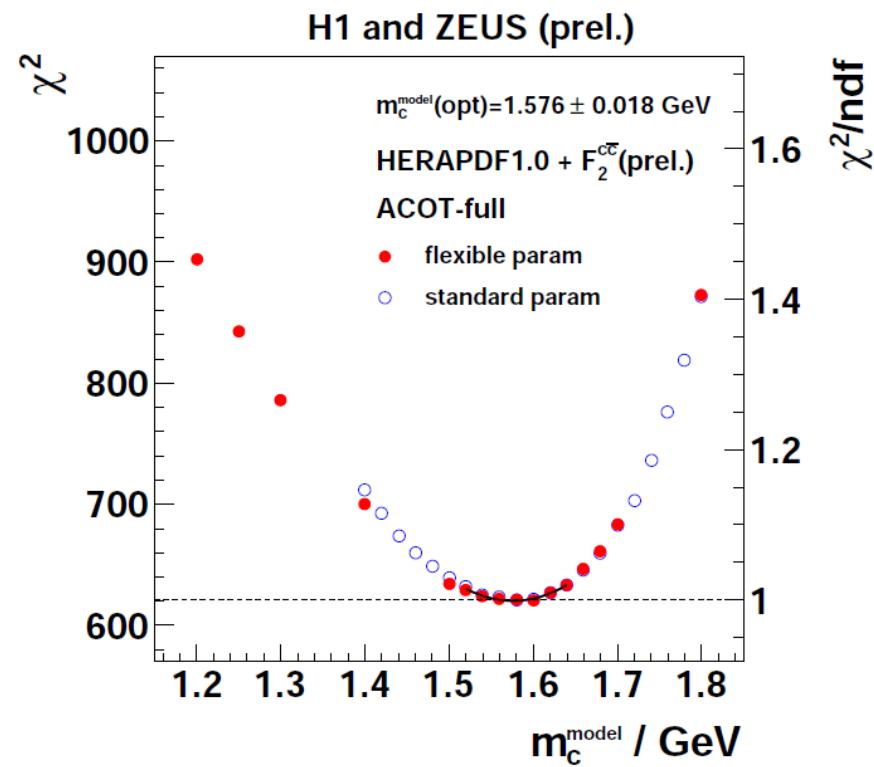
# $m_c^{\text{model}}$ scan: different HF schemes

RT optimised



$$m_c^{\text{model}} (\text{opt}) = 1.47 \pm 0.02 \text{ GeV}$$

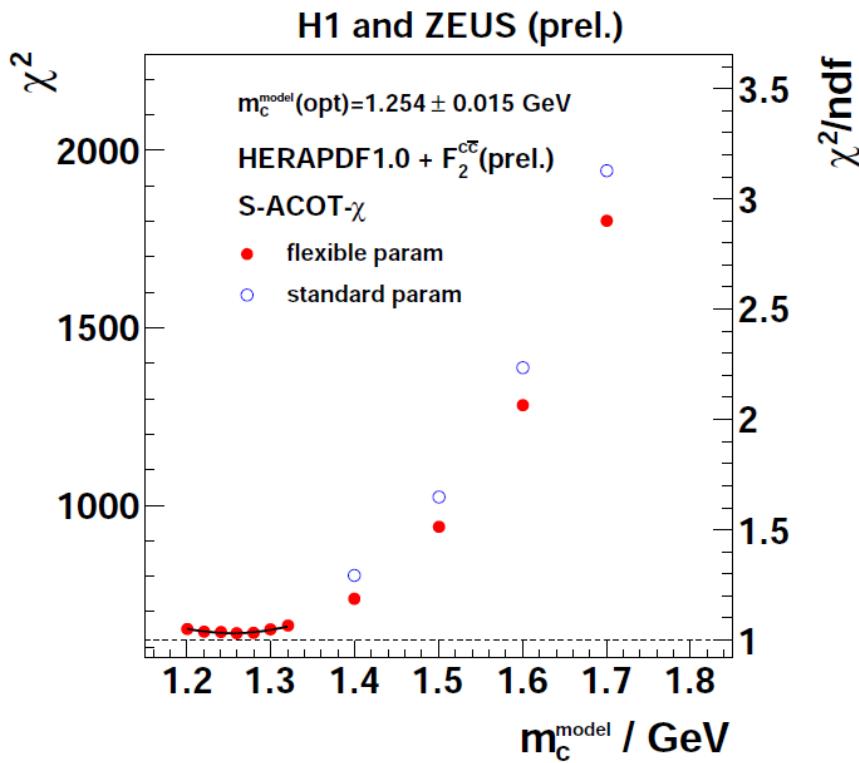
ACOT-full



$$m_c^{\text{model}} (\text{opt}) = 1.58 \pm 0.02 \text{ GeV}$$

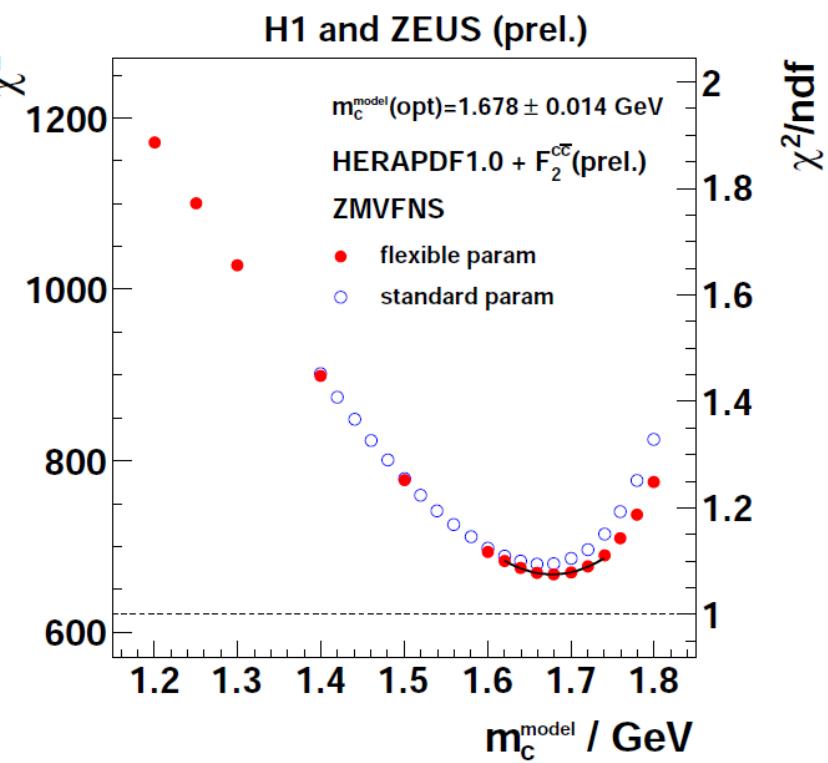
# $m_c^{\text{model}}$ scan: different HF schemes

## S-ACOT- $\chi$



$$m_c^{\text{model}} (\text{opt}) = 1.25 \pm 0.02 \text{ GeV}$$

## ZMVFNS



$$m_c^{\text{model}} (\text{opt}) = 1.68 \pm 0.01 \text{ GeV}$$

# Analysis Settings

NLO QCD analysis of the preliminary HERA  $F_2^{cc}$  data

- together with the published inclusive HERA data (HERAPDF1.0, arXiv:0911.0884)
- standard **HERAPDF1.0** settings used (**qcdnum17.0**, arXiv:1005.1481)  
( $\alpha_s = 0.1176$ , scale  $\mu_R = \mu_F = Q^2$ ,  $Q^2_{min} = 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

with two parametrisation assumptions:

standard:

$$xf(x) = Ax^B(1-x)^C(1+Ex^2)$$

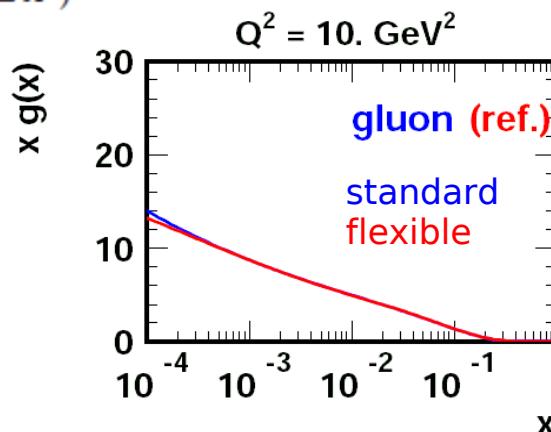
$$Q^2_0 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2,$$

$m_c^{\text{model}}$  scan: 1.4 - 1.8 GeV

flexible:

$$xg(x) = A_g x^{B_g}(1-x)^{C_g} - A'_g x^{B'_g}(1-x)^{25}$$

(allows for a negative gluon contribution at low  $x$ )



$$Q^2_0 = 1.4 \text{ GeV}^2,$$

$m_c^{\text{model}}$  scan: 1.2 - 1.8 GeV

# PDF determination in HERAPDF 1.0

DGLAP at NLO → QCD predictions

PDFs parametrised (at starting scale  $Q^2_0$ ) using standard parametrisation form:

$$\begin{aligned}xg(x) &= A_g x^{B_g} (1-x)^{C_g}, \\ xu_v(x) &= A_{uv} x^{B_{uv}} (1-x)^{C_{uv}} \left(1 + E_{uv} x^2\right), \\ xd_v(x) &= A_{dv} x^{B_{dv}} (1-x)^{C_{dv}}, \\ x\bar{U}(x) &= A_{\bar{U}} x^{B_{\bar{U}}} (1-x)^{C_{\bar{U}}}, \\ x\bar{D}(x) &= A_{\bar{D}} x^{B_{\bar{D}}} (1-x)^{C_{\bar{D}}}.\end{aligned}$$

*A*: overall normalisation

*B*: small  $x$  behavior

*C*:  $x \rightarrow 1$  shape

The optimal number of parameters chosen by saturation of the  $\chi^2$   
- central fit with 10 free parameters

$xg, xu_v, xd_v, x\bar{U}, x\bar{D}$

where  $x\bar{U}=x\bar{u}$  and  $x\bar{D}=x\bar{d}+x\bar{s}$  at the starting scale ( $x\bar{s}=f_s x\bar{D}$  with  $f_s=0.31$ )

$A_g, A_{uv}, A_{dv}$  are fixed by sum rules

extra constrains for small  $x$  behavior of d- and u-type quarks:

$B_{uv}=B_{dv}, B_{\bar{U}}=B_{\bar{D}}, A_{\bar{U}}=A_{\bar{D}}(1-f_s)$  for  $\bar{u}=\bar{d}$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$

# Heavy Quark treatment in PDFs

Factorisation:

$$F_2^{V,h}(x, Q^2) = \sum_{i=f, \bar{f}, g} \int_x^1 dz \cdot C_2^{V,i} \left( \frac{x}{z}, \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \frac{\mu_F^2}{\mu^2} \alpha_s(\mu^2) \right) f_{i/h}(z, \mu_F, \mu^2)$$

i - number of active flavours in the proton     $m_c=1.5, m_b=4.7$  GeV

QCD analysis of the proton structure: treatment of HQ essential

Different prescriptions how to treat heavy quarks in PDF fits (HQ schemes):

Fixed Flavour Number Scheme (FFNS) *i-fixed*

c(b) quarks massive, only light flavours in the proton  $i=3(4)$

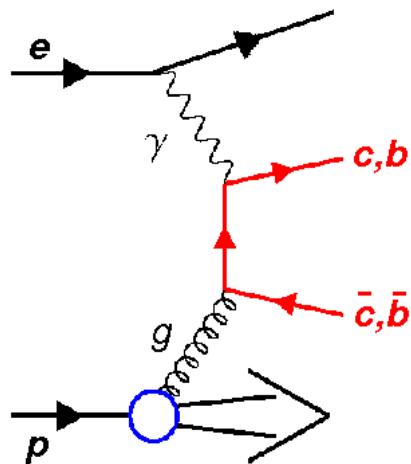
General-Mass Variable Flavour Number Scheme (GM-VFNS) *i-variable*

matched scheme, different implementation used by fit groups  $\rightarrow m_c^{\text{model}}$

Zero-Mass Variable Flavour Number Scheme (ZMVFNS)

all flavours massless (breaks at  $Q^2 \sim m_{HQ}^2$ )

# Heavy Quarks at HERA



Heavy quarks at HERA are produced mainly in boson-gluon fusion  
- test of pQCD, access to the gluon

Charm contribution to total DIS cross section  
- up to 30% at high  $Q^2$

Measure heavy quark structure functions

- direct test of HQ schemes in PDF fits, e.g. charm structure function:

$$\sigma^{cc} \propto F_2^{cc}(x, Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{1 + (1 - y)^2} F_L^{cc}(x, Q^2)$$

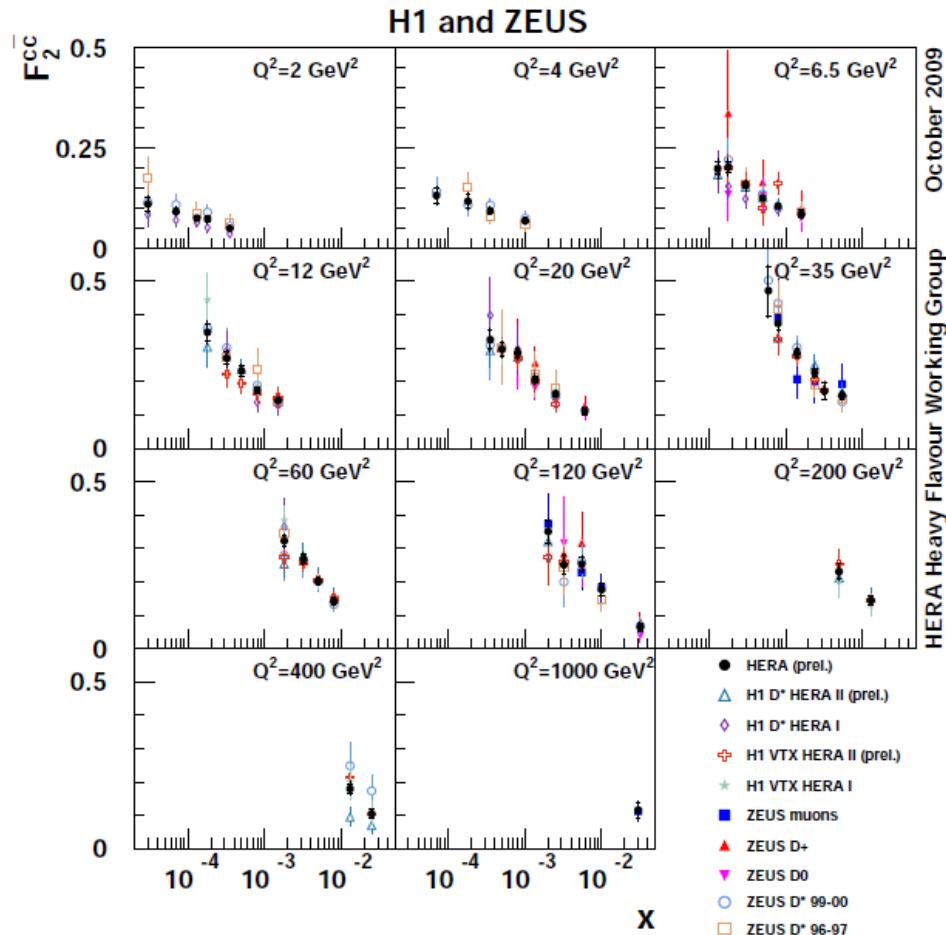
# Introduction

## Preliminary HERA $F_2^{cc}$ measurement

H1 prelim-09-171  
ZEUS-prel-09-015

[https://www.desy.de/h1zeus/combined\\_results/index.php?do=heavy\\_flavours](https://www.desy.de/h1zeus/combined_results/index.php?do=heavy_flavours)

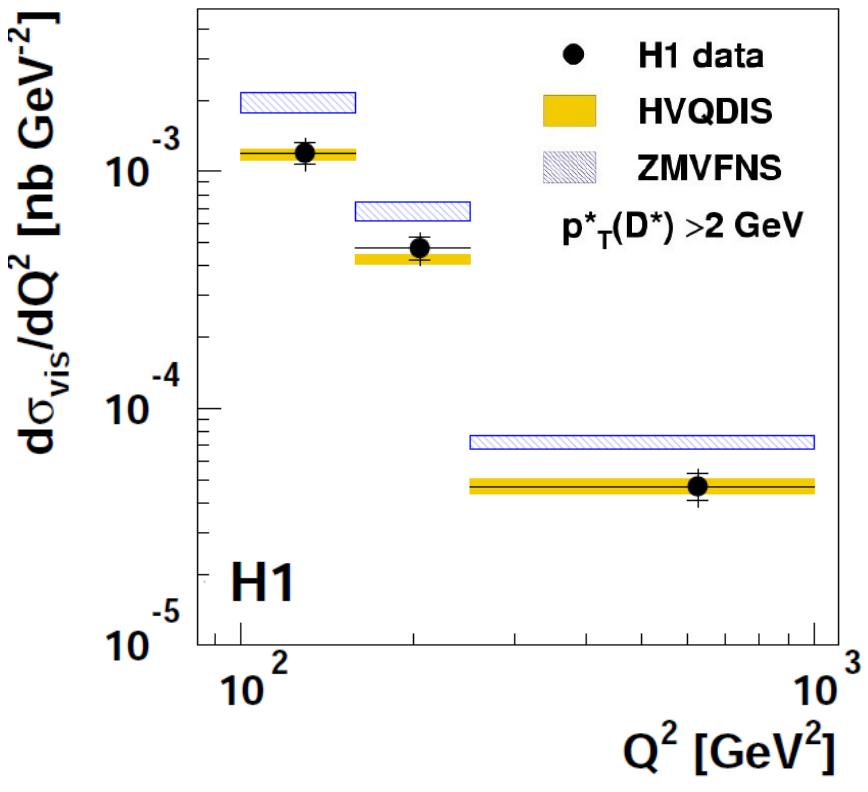
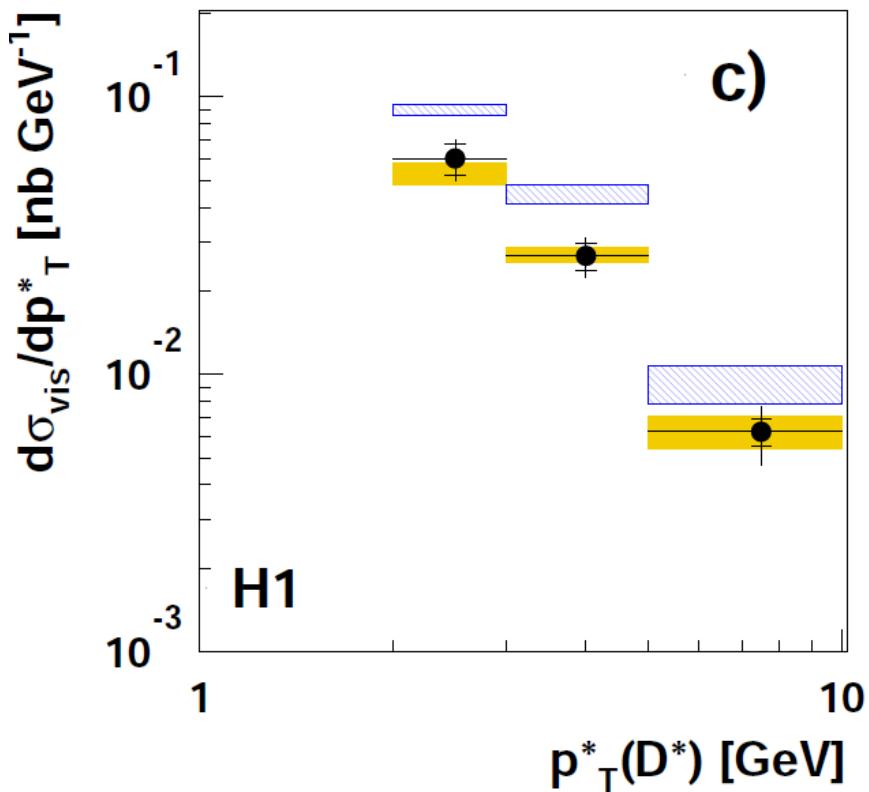
- significant contribution to DIS cross section
- most precise determination of  $F_2^{cc}$  from HERA
  - combination of 9 H1 and ZEUS measurements (HERA I + part of HERA II)
  - different charm tagging methods
  - covers  $2 < Q^2 < 1000 \text{ GeV}^2$  and  $10^{-5} < x < 10^{-1}$
  - 5-10% uncertainty



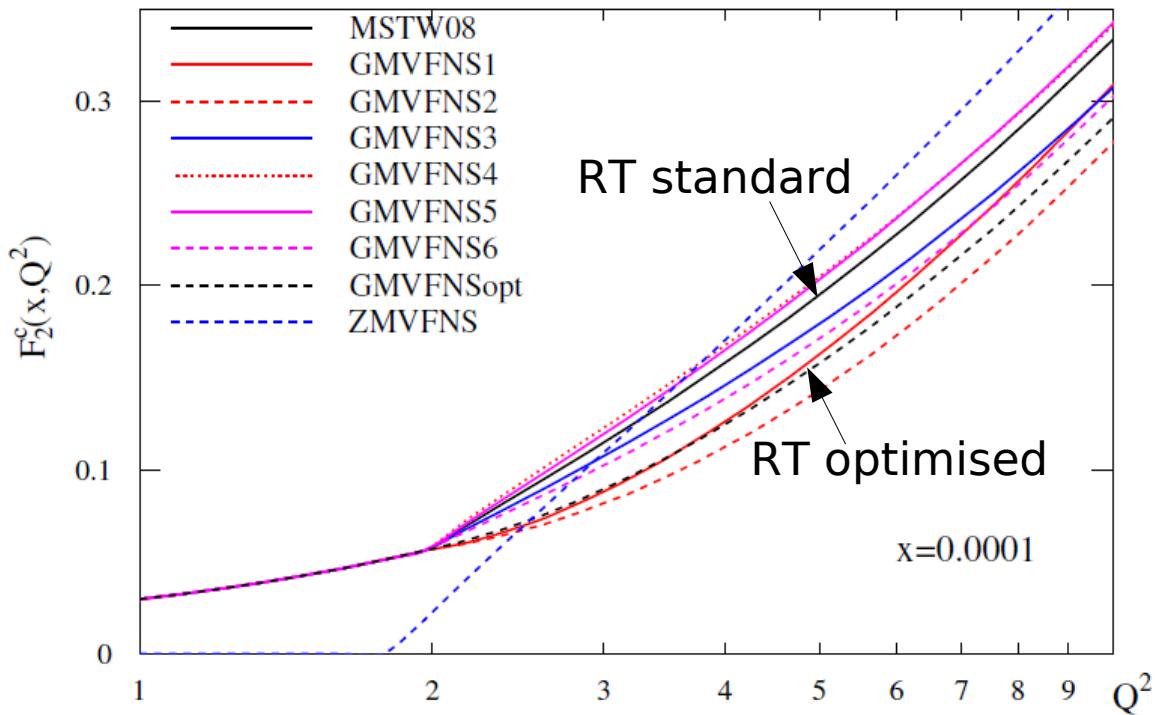
# *Charm measurement: ZMVFNS*

Charm measurement at HERA:

- ZMVFNS doesn't describe heavy flavour data



# *RT scheme (standard vs optimised)*



- compared to standard RT optimised scheme is smooth at threshold

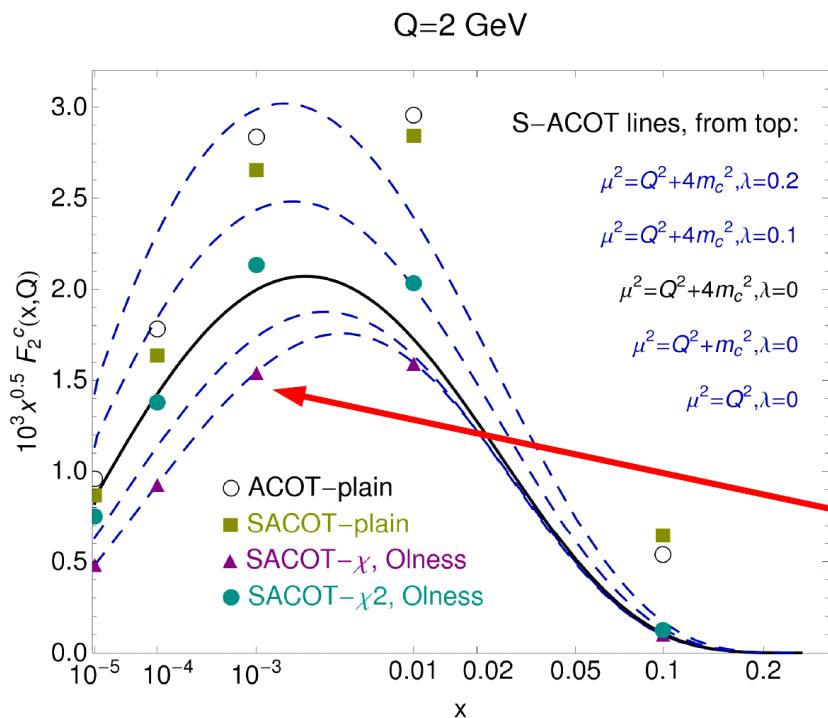
R.S. Thorne, PoS (DIS 2010) 053

# S-ACOT- $\chi$ scheme

ACOT full with generalised slow rescaling = ACOT  $\chi$

$$\chi = x \left[ 1 + \frac{(\mathbf{n} m_c)^2}{Q^2} \right]$$

Comparison of ACOT code with CTEQ (Nadolski/Tung)



ACOT code  
&  
Nadolsky/Tung

**Results check**

Compare ▲ with  
bottom curve

$$x = \zeta(1 + \zeta^\lambda m^2/Q^2)^{-1}$$

Fred Olness

23 June 2010 Loopfest

- same ACOT code is implemented in h1fitter
- fit results were confirmed by Voica with independent code from Fred Olness
- ACOT  $\chi$  scheme is (again) used for  $m_c$  scan studies

# Systematic uncertainty on $m_c^{\text{model}}$

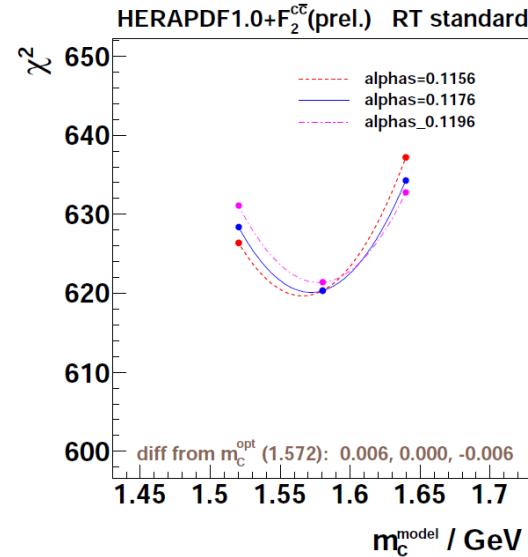
- to determine systematic uncertainty on  $m_c^{\text{model}}$  HERAPDF1.0 prescription was used:

- $\alpha_s$  variation ( $\pm 0.002$ )
- vary parametrisation (e.g.  $B_{\nu} \neq B_d$ )
- vary model parameters ( $f_s, m_B, Q^2_{\min}, Q^2_0$ )

Variation	Standard	Lower	Upper
$f_s$	0.31	0.23	0.38
$m_B$	4.75	4.3	5
$Q^2_{\min}$	3.5	2.5	5
$Q^2_0$	1.4	-	1.9

(uncertainty from  $Q^2_0$  assumed to be symmetric and treated as procedural)

Systematic uncertainties on  $m_c^{\text{model}}$  obtained for each heavy flavour scheme →



scheme	$m_c^{\text{model}}(\text{opt})$
RT standard	$1.58^{+0.02}_{-0.03}$
RT optimised	$1.46^{+0.02}_{-0.04}$
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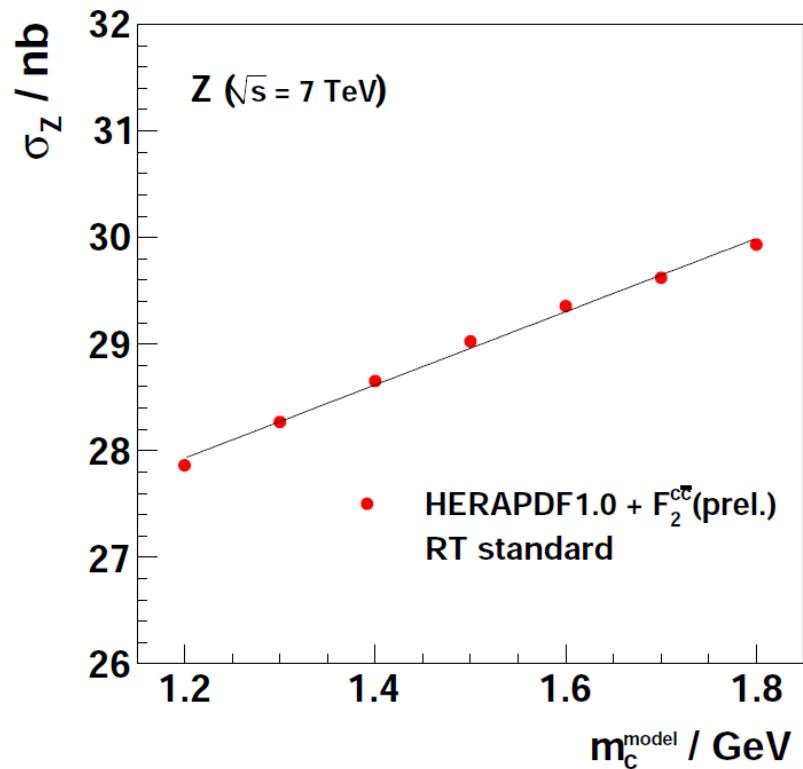
# *Application of $m_c^{\text{model}}$ scan: Z/W cross sections at LHC*

Z/W cross sections calculated with MCFM 5.7

- same conditions as for the PDF4LHC benchmarking at  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$

- uncertainty from  $m_c^{\text{model}}$  propagated to Z/W cross sections

scheme	$m_c^{\text{model}}(\text{opt})$	$\sigma_Z(\text{nb})$
RT standard	$1.58^{+0.02}_{-0.03}$	$29.27^{+0.07}_{-0.11}$
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S-ACOT- $\chi$	$1.26^{+0.02}_{-0.04}$	$29.37^{+0.08}_{-0.15}$
ZMVFNS	$1.68^{+0.06}_{-0.07}$	$28.71^{+0.19}_{-0.20}$



# Z/W cross sections at LHC: summary

scheme	$m_c^{\text{model}}(\text{opt})$	$\chi^2/\text{dof}$	$\chi^2/\text{ndp} (F_2^{cc})$	$\sigma_Z(\text{nb})$	$\sigma_w+(\text{nb})$	$\sigma_w-(\text{nb})$
RT standard	$1.58^{+0.02}_{-0.03}$	620.3/621	42.0/41	$29.27^{+0.07}_{-0.11}$	$57.82^{+0.14}_{-0.22}$	$40.22^{+0.10}_{-0.15}$
RT optimised	$1.46^{+0.02}_{-0.04}$	621.6/621	46.5/41	$29.17^{+0.07}_{-0.13}$	$57.75^{+0.14}_{-0.26}$	$40.15^{+0.10}_{-0.18}$
ACOT-full	$1.58^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$	621.2/621	59.9/41	$29.28^{+0.10}_{-0.13}$	$57.93^{+0.18}_{-0.24}$	$40.16^{+0.12}_{-0.16}$
S-ACOT- $\chi$	$1.26^{+0.02}_{-0.04}$	639.7/621	68.5/41	$29.37^{+0.08}_{-0.15}$	$58.06^{+0.16}_{-0.30}$	$40.23^{+0.11}_{-0.21}$
ZMVFNNS	$1.68^{+0.06}_{-0.07}$	667.4/621	88.1/41	$28.71^{+0.19}_{-0.20}$	$56.77^{+0.33}_{-0.34}$	$39.46^{+0.24}_{-0.25}$

max diff:  
(with ZMVFNNS)      0.7%      0.5%      0.2%  
                                  2.3%      2.3%      2.0%

- same conclusions with HERAPDF1.5  
(preliminary combined inclusive HERA I+II data)

# Systematic uncertainty on $m_c^{\text{model}}$

