

# Heavy Quark Production at Higher Orders

## *Ideas, Issues and Intricacies*

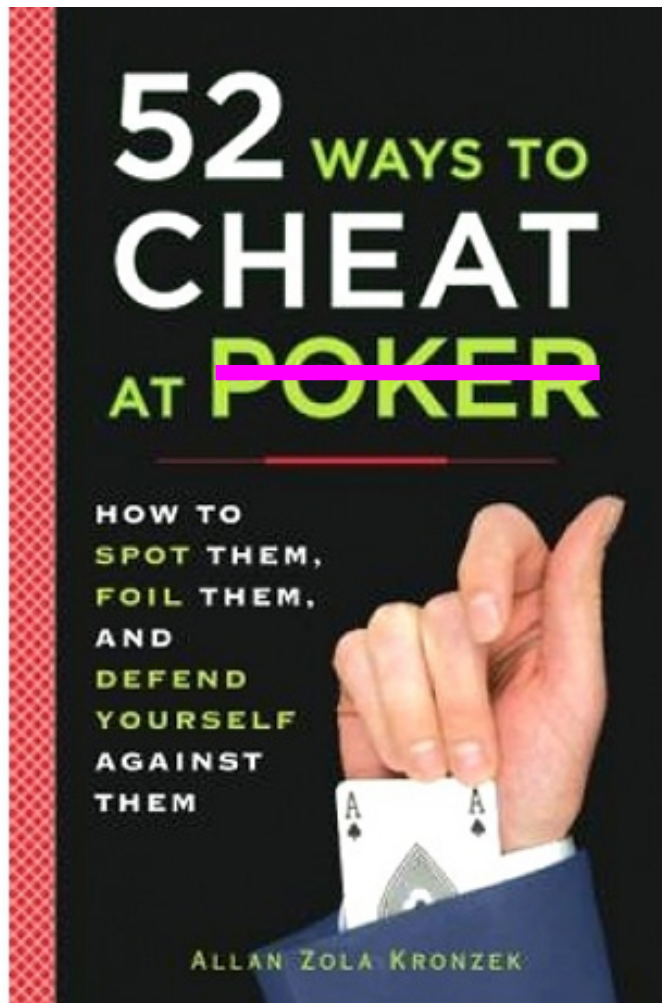
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DISCONTINUITIES

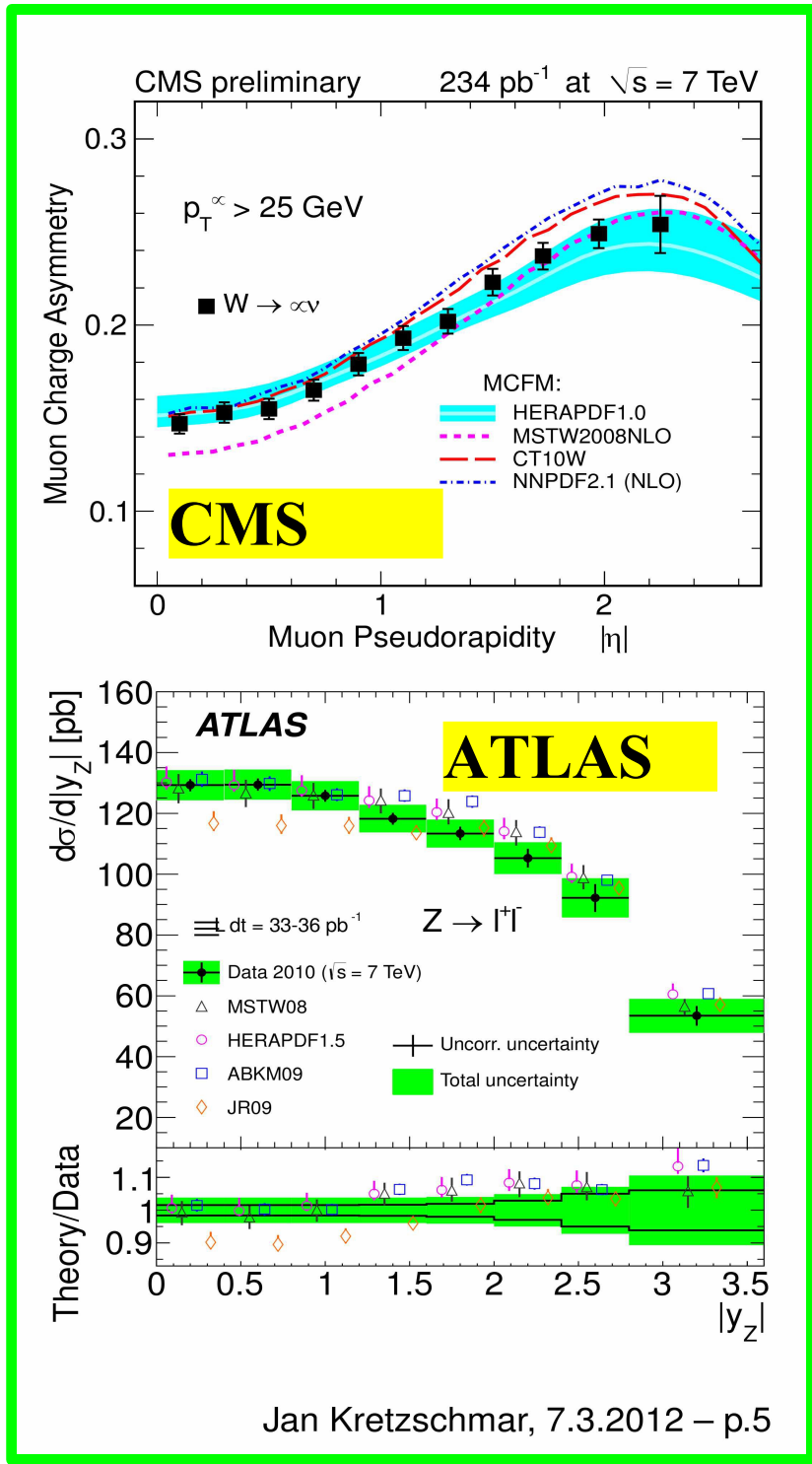
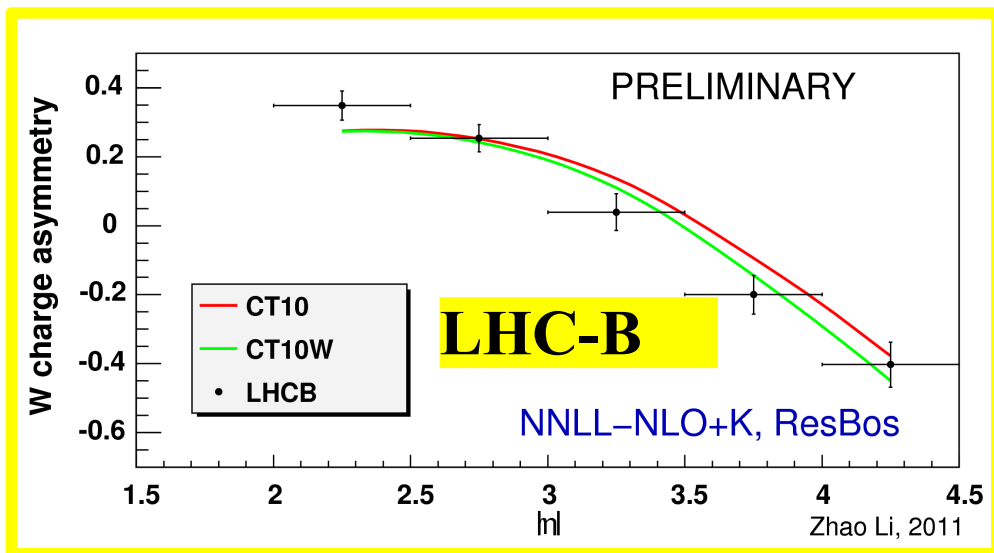
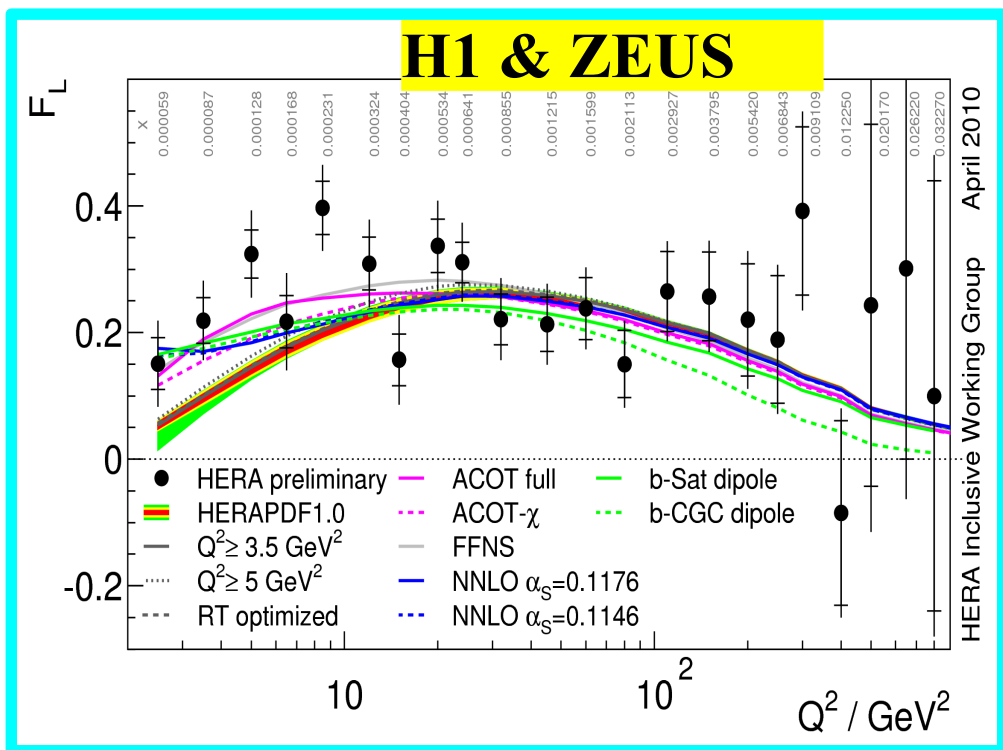


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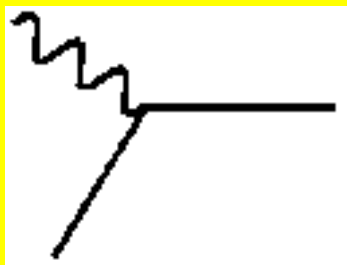
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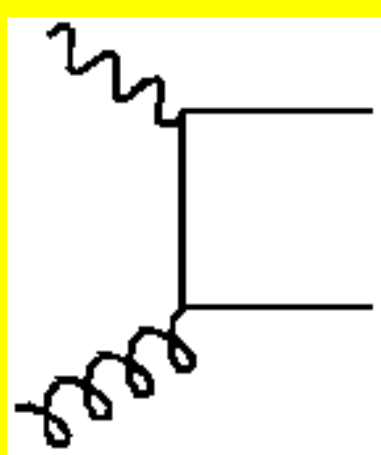
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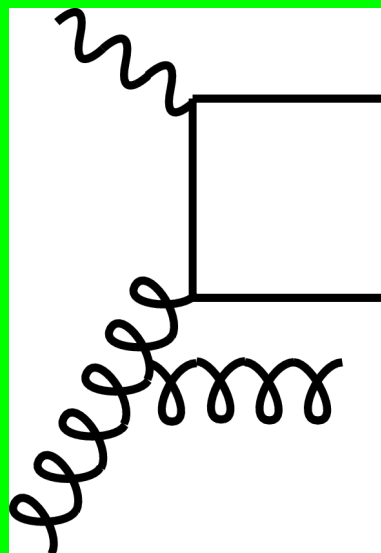
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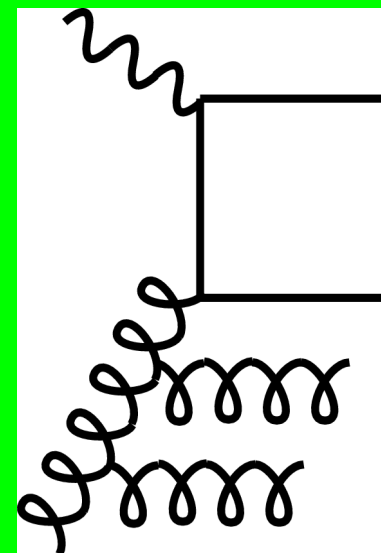
**NLO**



**N2LO**



**N3LO**



**Full ACOT**

**Approximate**

Based on the Collins-Wilczek-Zee (CWZ) Renormalization Scheme

*... hence, extensible to all orders*

DGLAP kernels & PDF evolution are pure  $\overline{MS}$ -Bar

*Subtractions are  $\overline{MS}$ -Bar*

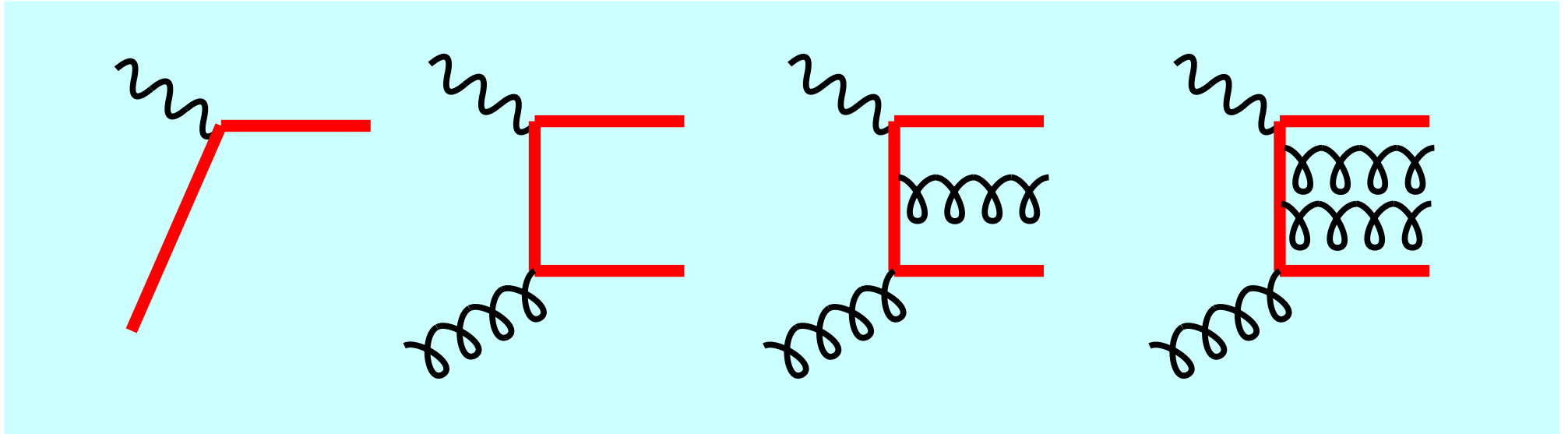
*ACOT:  $m \rightarrow 0$  limit yields  $\overline{MS}$ -Bar*

*with no finite renormalization*

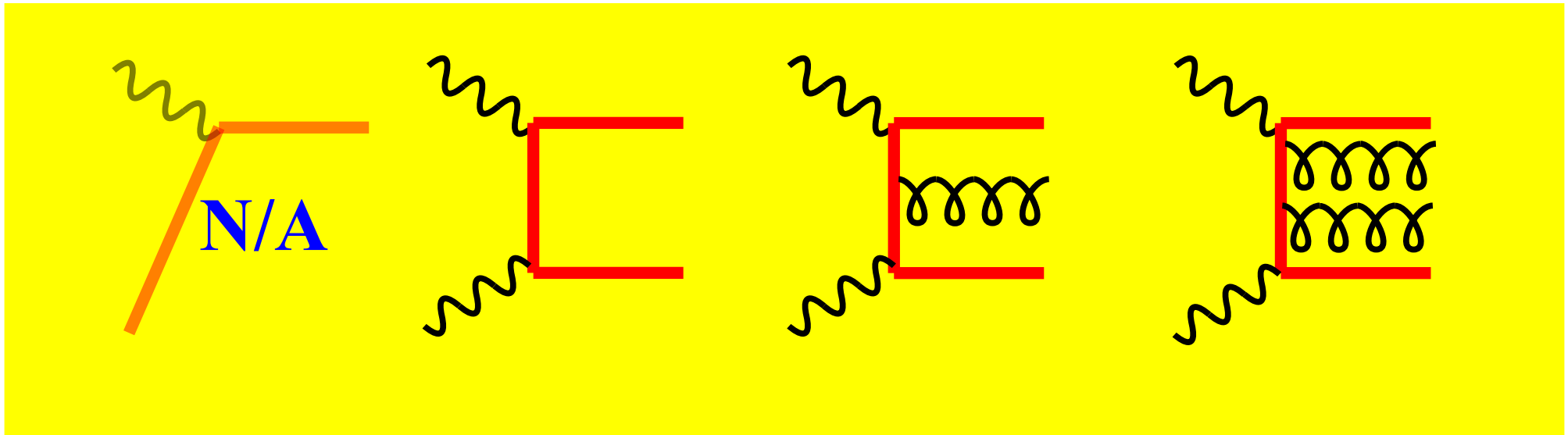
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# Heavy Quark Production: Extension to Higher Orders

## Lepton—Hadron Collider



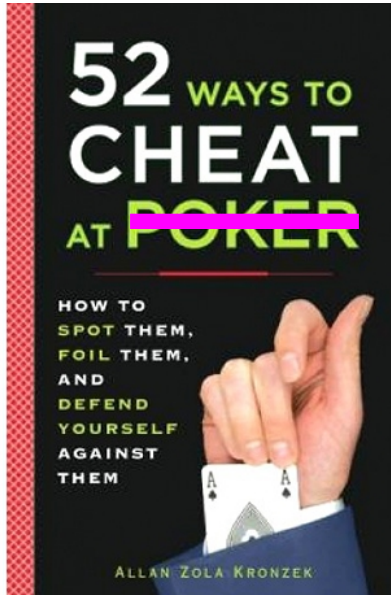
## Lepton—Lepton Collider



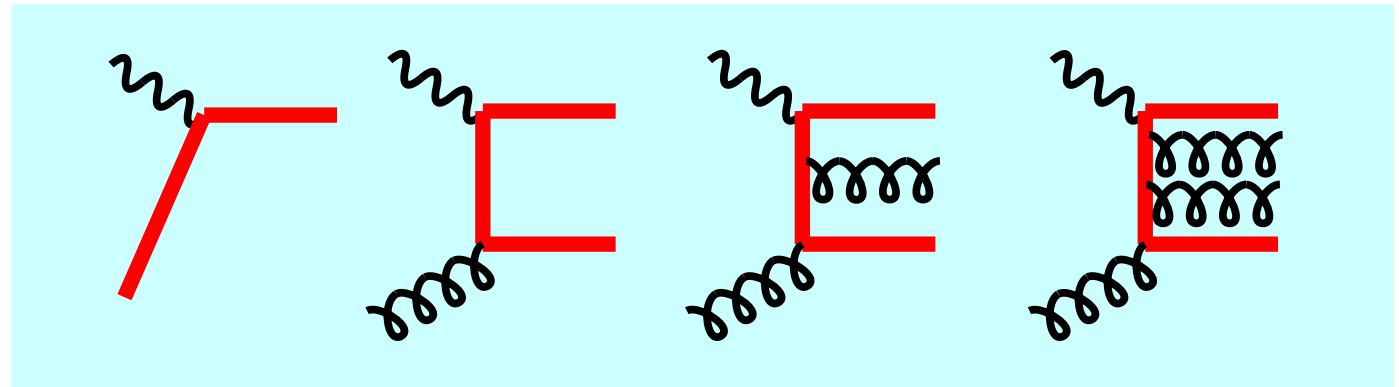
*S-ACOT: Can set initial state to  $m=0$*

**This is not an approximation; it is a choice of Renormalization Scheme**

# Can we “guess” the mass effects???

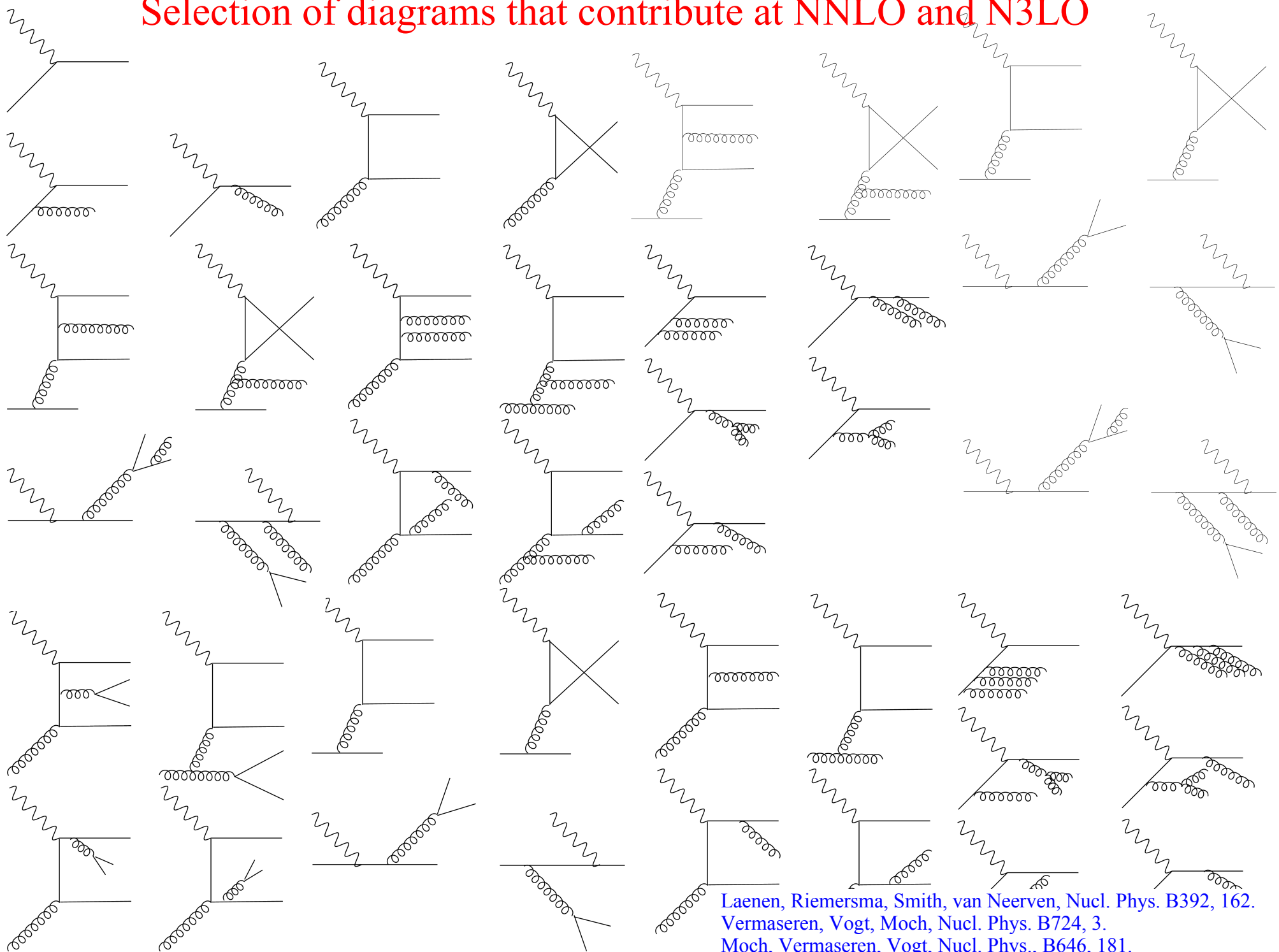


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*... or do we need to do the full calculation???*

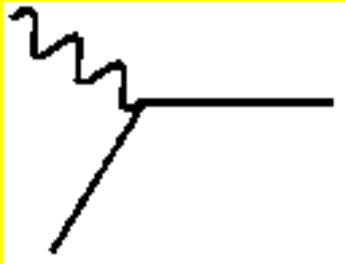
# Selection of diagrams that contribute at NNLO and N3LO



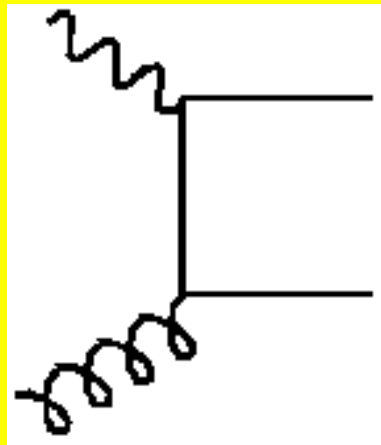
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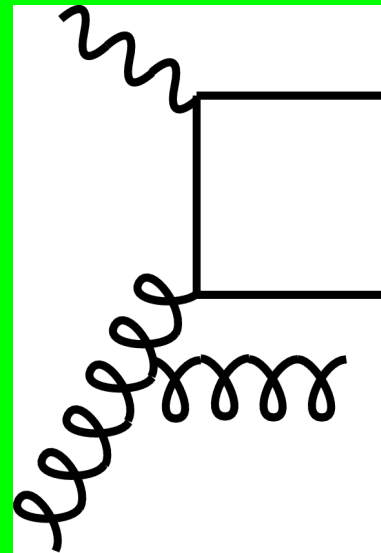
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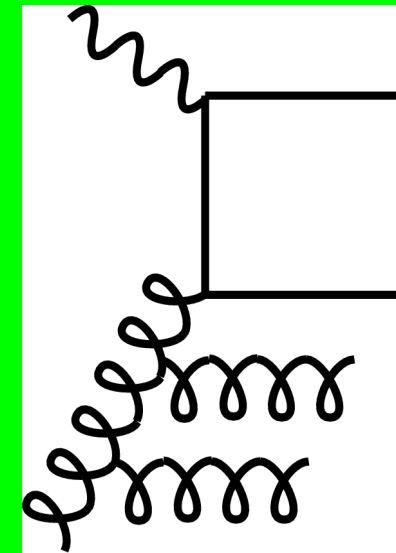
**NLO**



**N2LO**



**N3LO**



**Full ACOT**

*Extensible to any order*

$$\sigma \sim \int |\mathcal{M}(m_{dyn})|^2 d\Gamma(m_{ps})$$

$$\text{factor} \sim \left( 1 + \left[ \frac{n m_{ps}}{Q} \right]^2 \right)$$

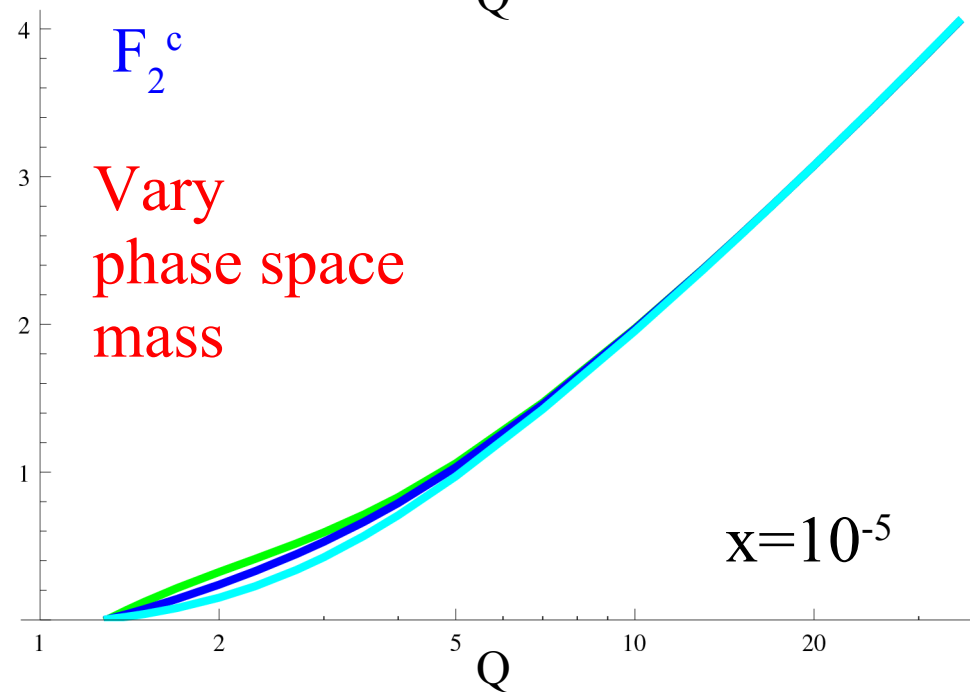
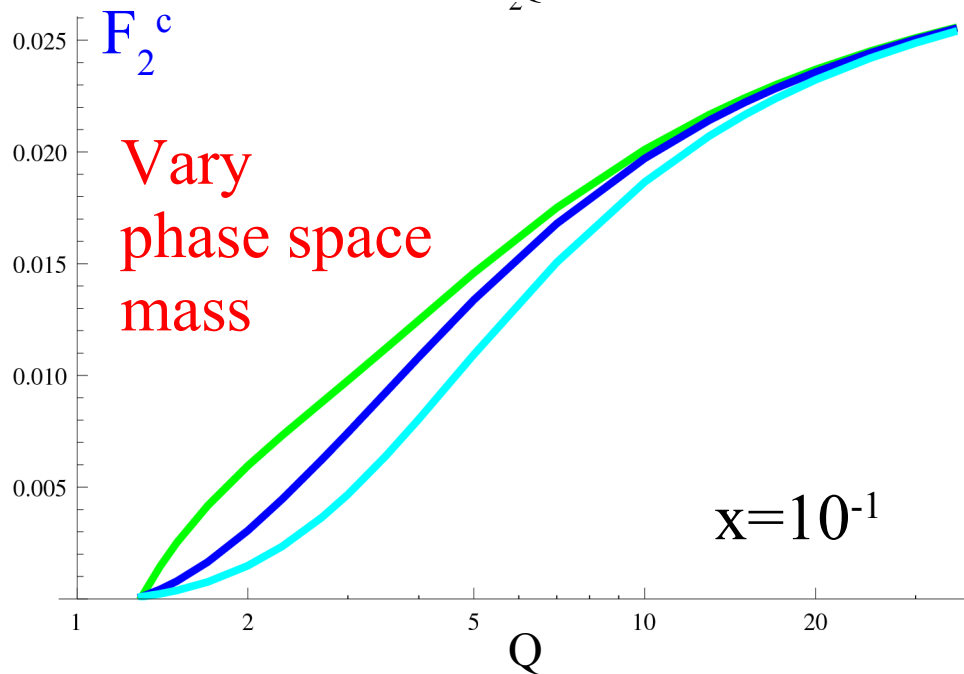
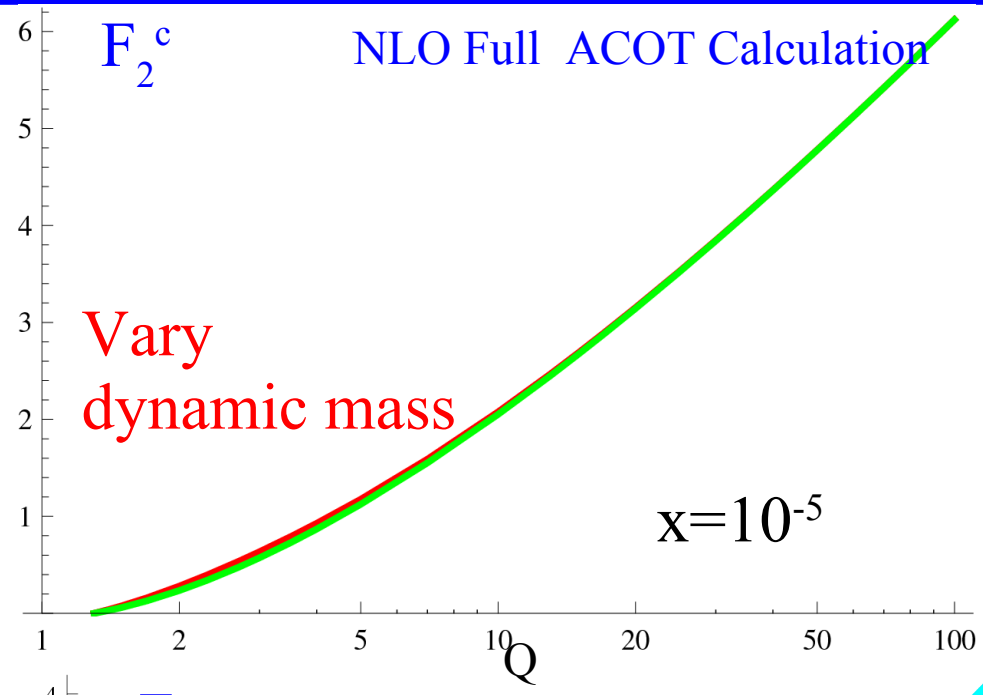
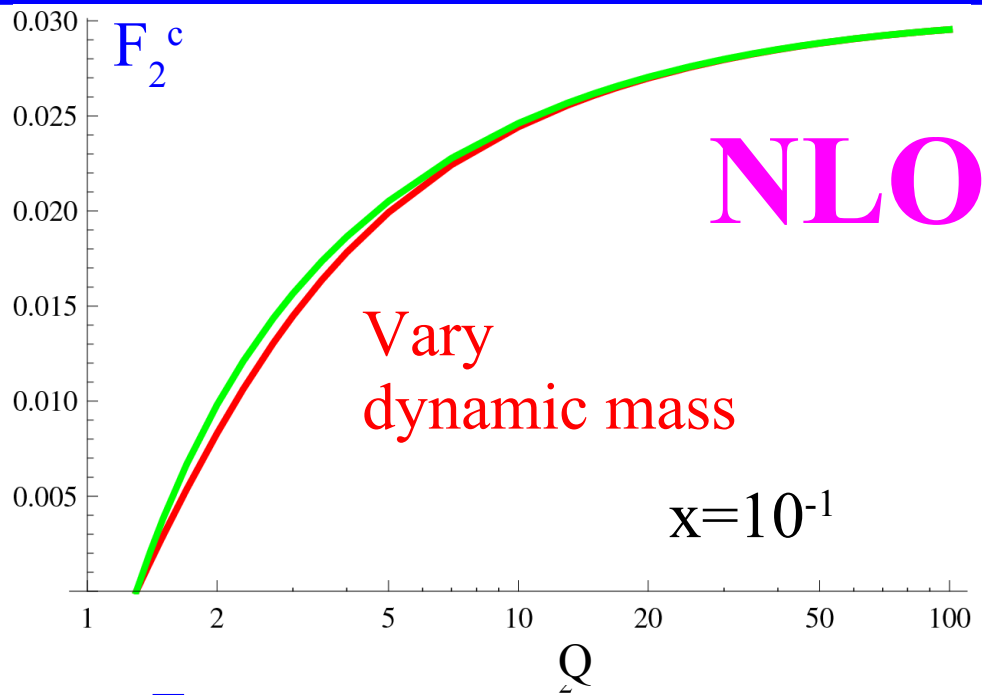
$$n = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

Distinguish:  
 “phase space” mass  
 “dynamic” mass

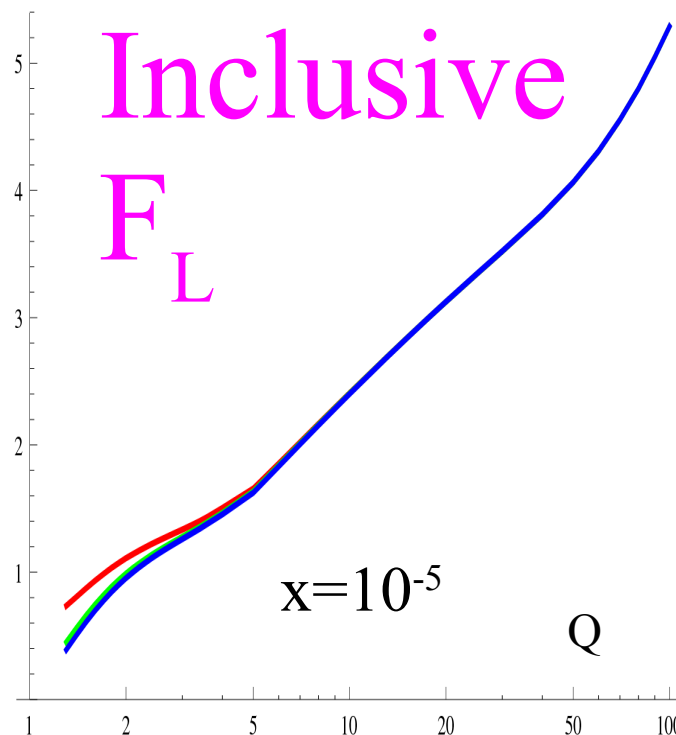
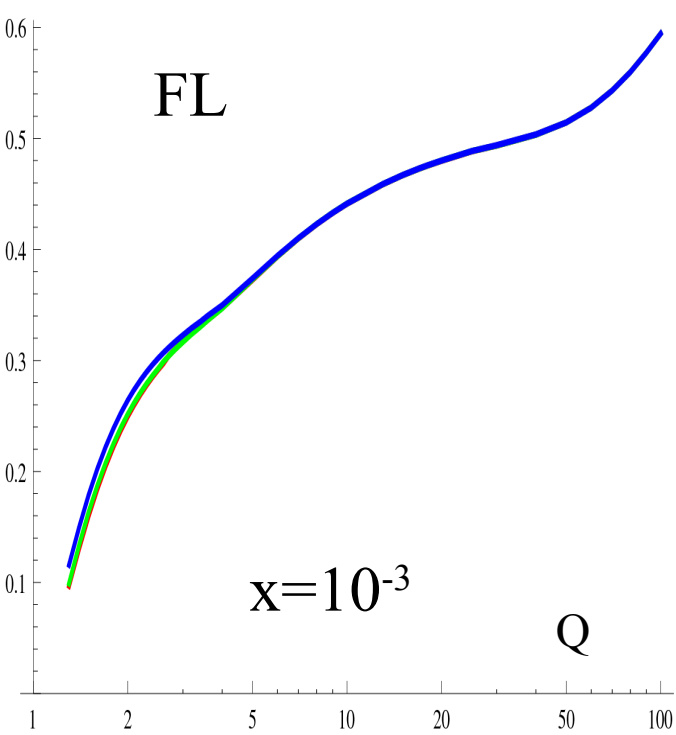
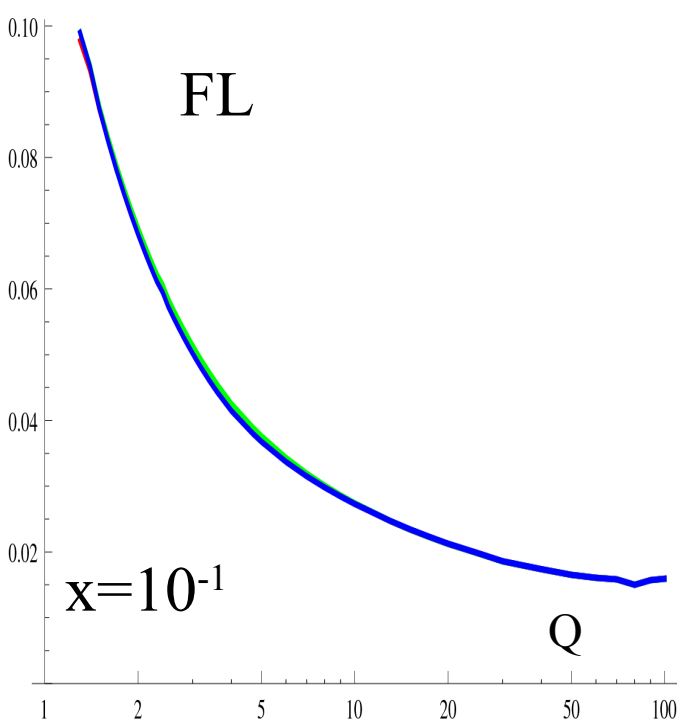
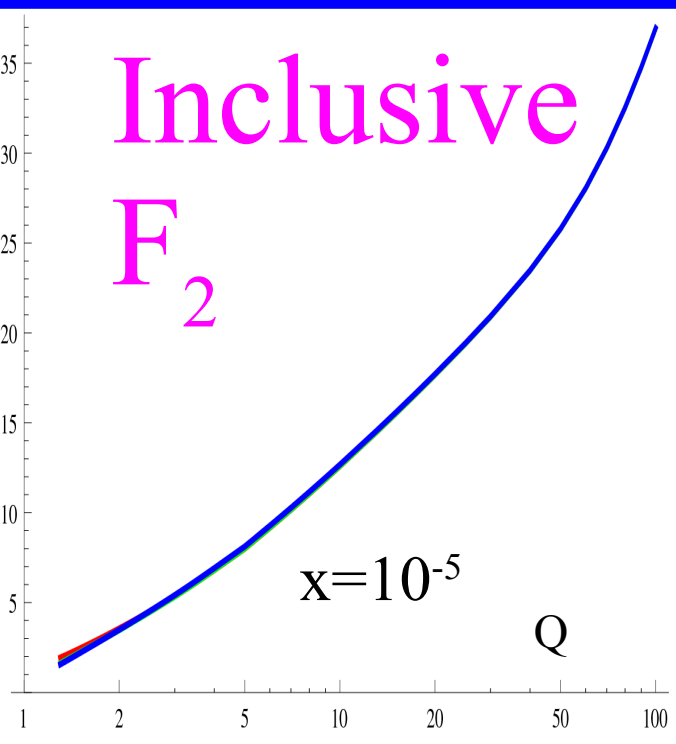
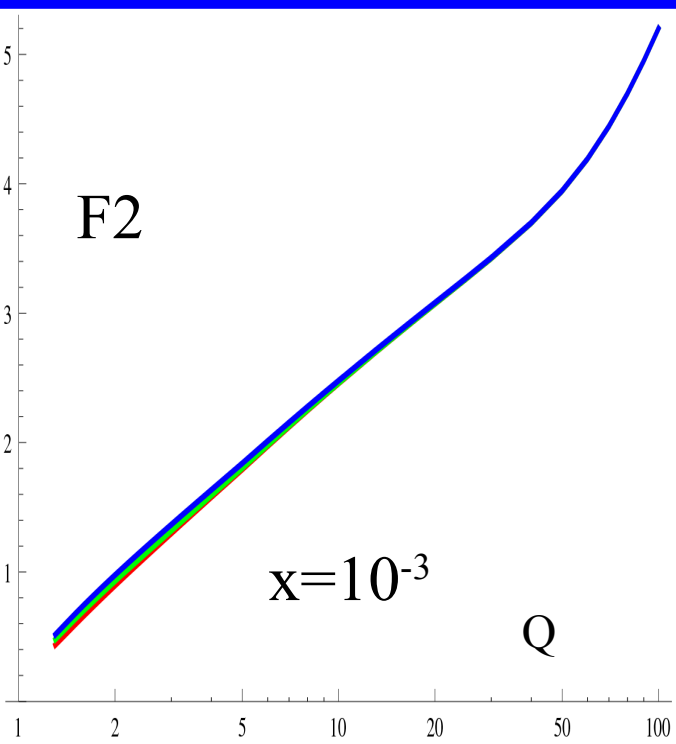
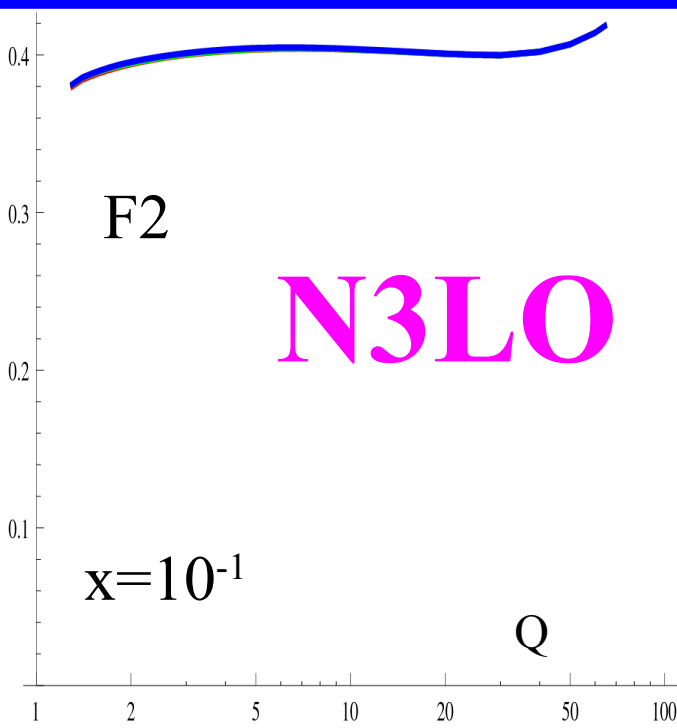
**PLAN:**

- 1) Hope PS mass dominates**
- 2) Neglect Dynamic mass**

# Identify Two Types of Mass Dependence: “dynamic” & “phase space” 10



“phase space” mass yields larger variation. Not a proof, but .....



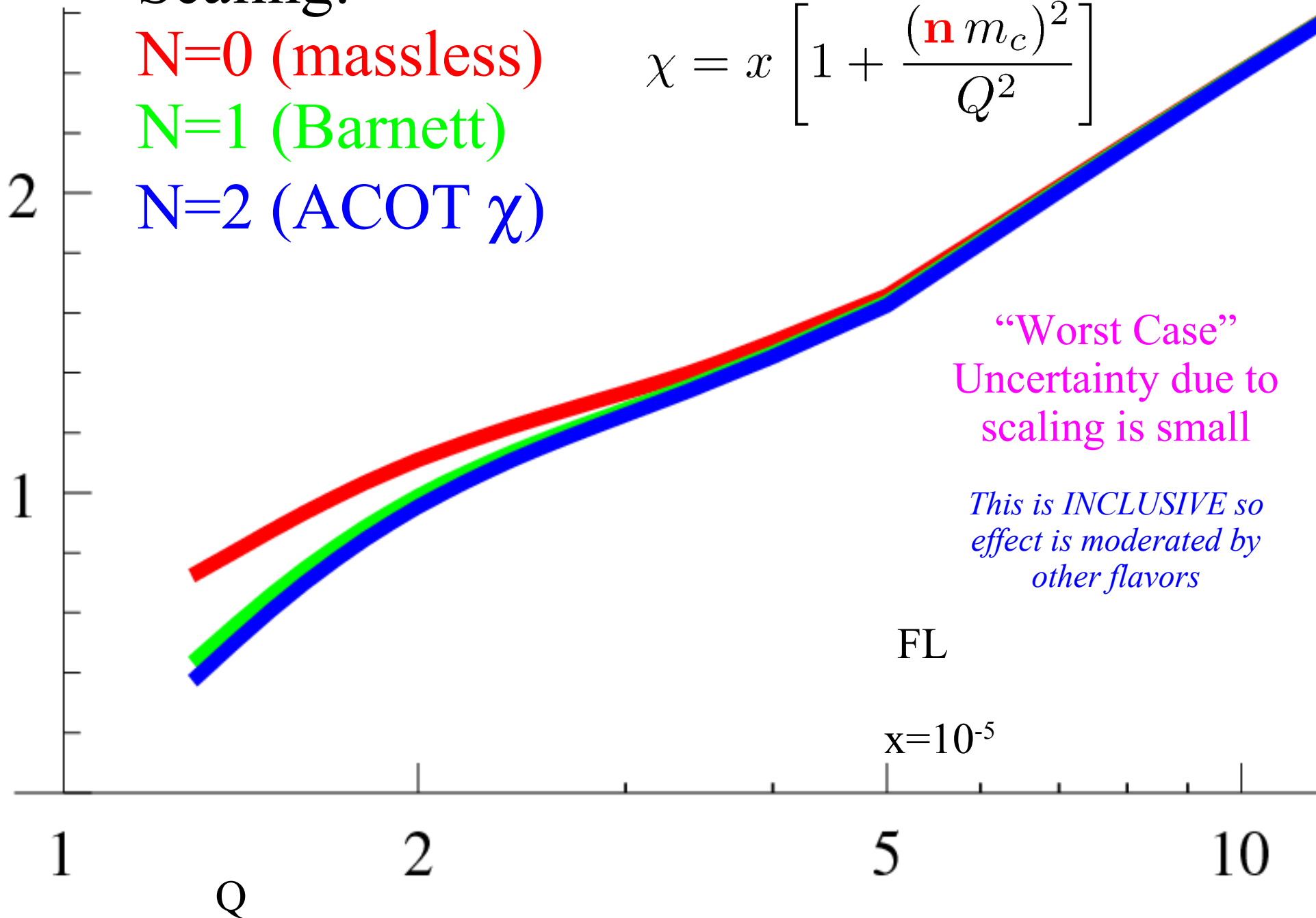
Scaling:

N=0 (massless)

N=1 (Barnett)

N=2 (ACOT  $\chi$ )

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

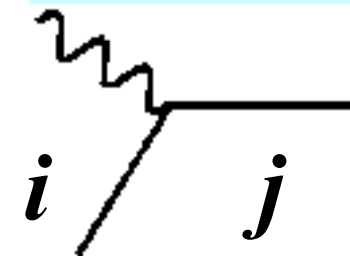


# Master formula for decomposing the flavor components

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$$F = \sum_{i,j}^6 F^{ij}$$

The Goal: Convert from  
{s, ns, ps} to {q,g, ...}



$$x^{-1} F_a^{ij} = q_i^+ \otimes \left\{ e_i^2 \left[ C_{a,q}^{\text{ns}}(n_f = 0) \delta_{ij} \right. \right.$$

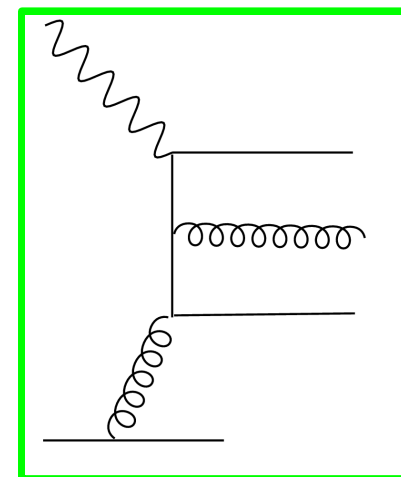
$$\left. + C_{a,q}^{\text{ns}}(j) - C_{a,q}^{\text{ns}}(j-1) \right]$$

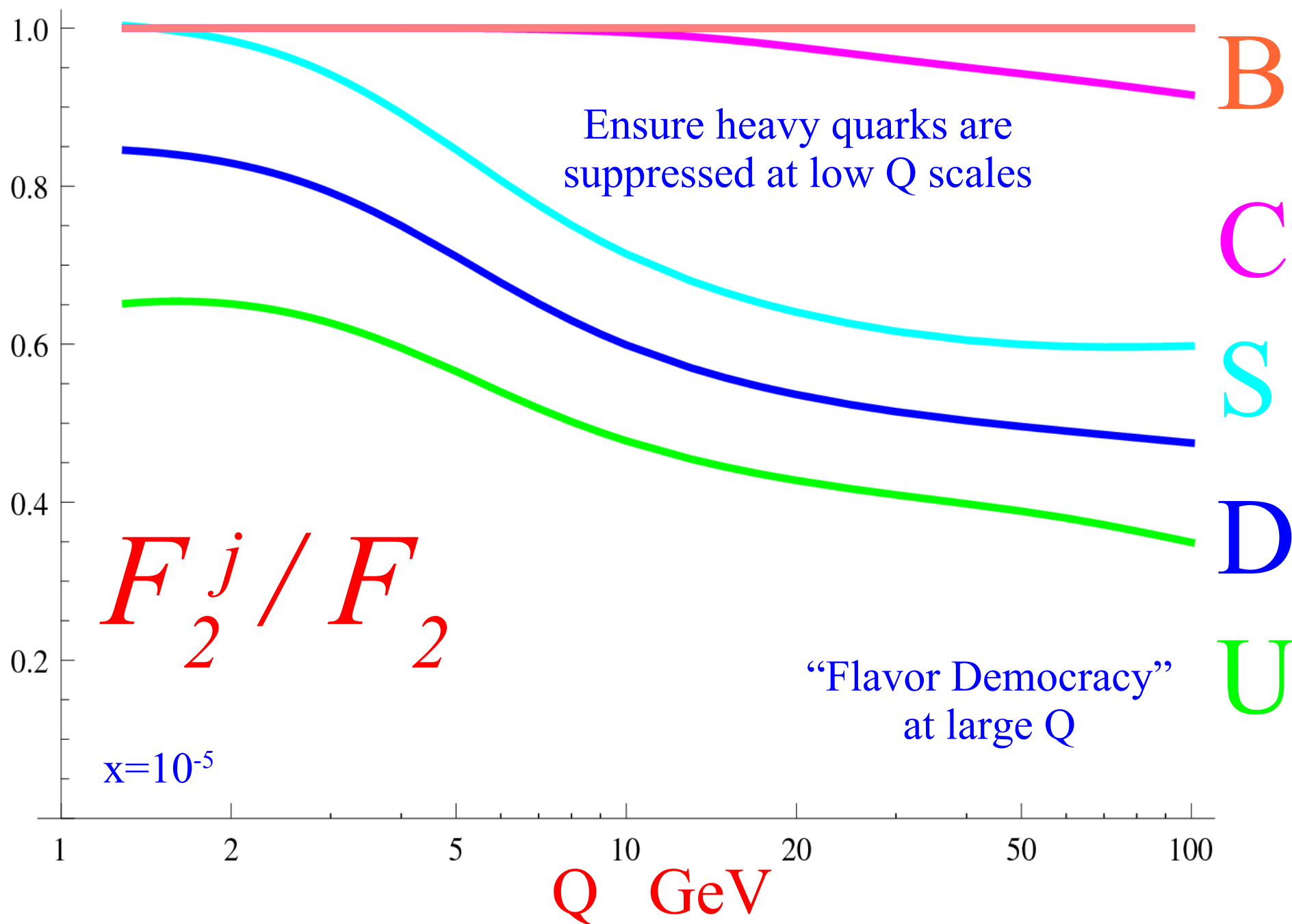
$$\left. - \langle e^2 \rangle^{(j)} C_{a,q}^{\text{ps}}(j) - \langle e^2 \rangle^{(j-1)} C_{a,q}^{\text{ps}}(j-1) \right\}$$

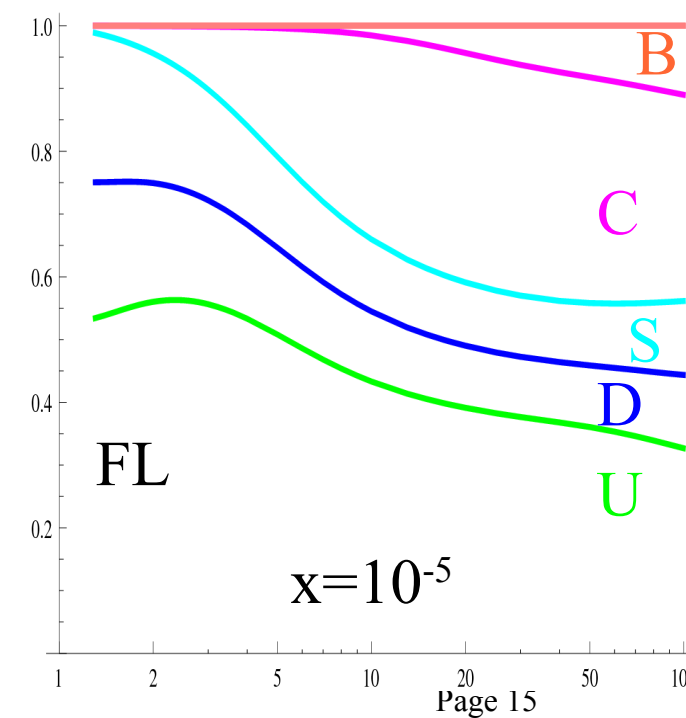
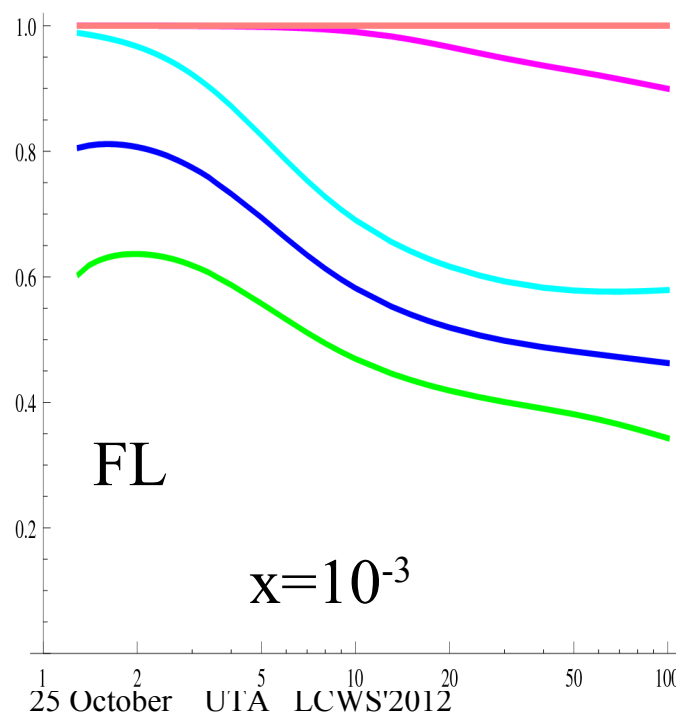
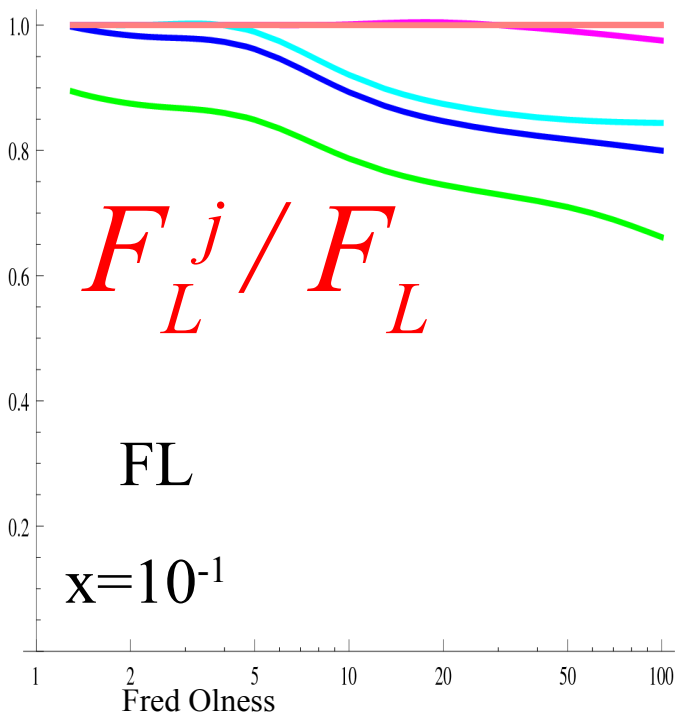
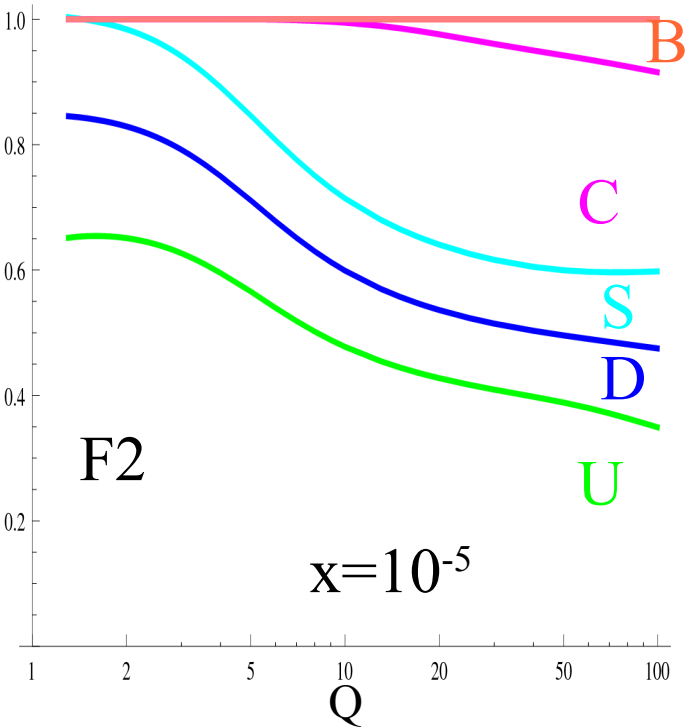
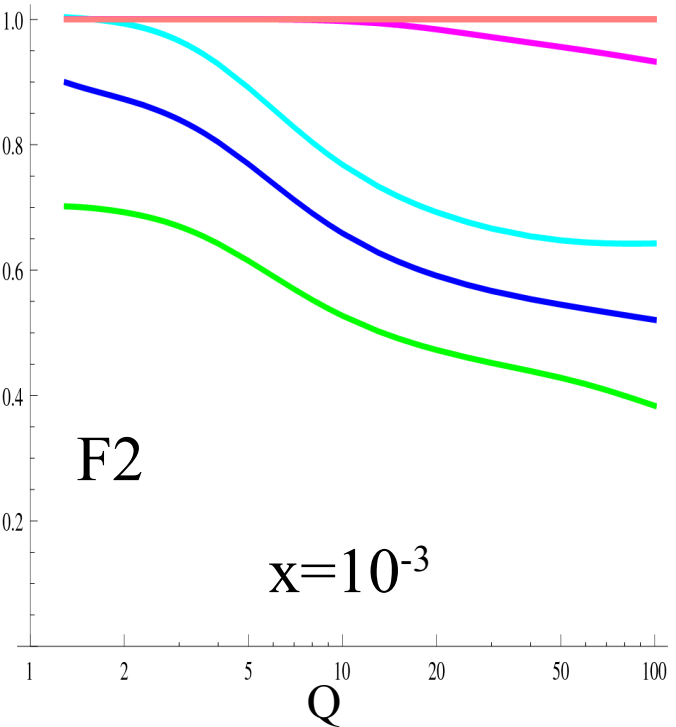
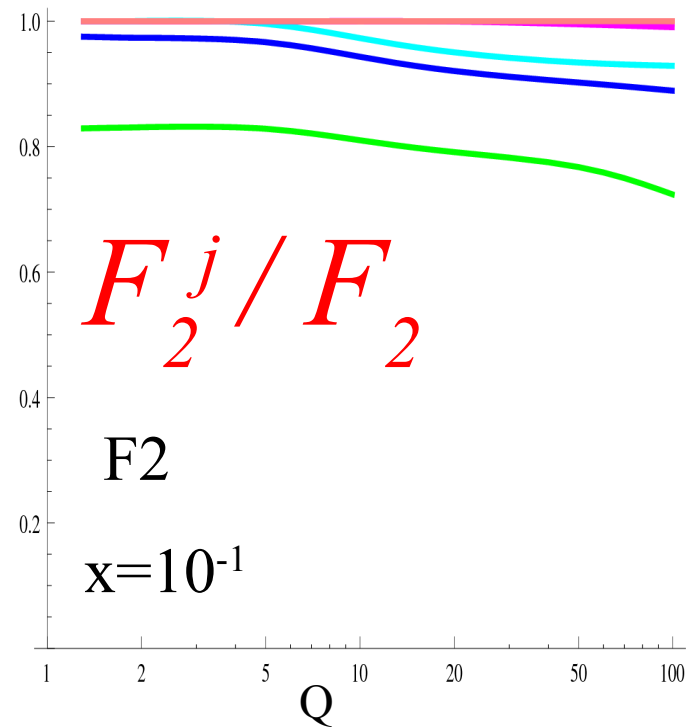
Issues: Flavor separation:

*New diagrams at this order*

- c,b, goes down beam pipe
- both c & b in final state

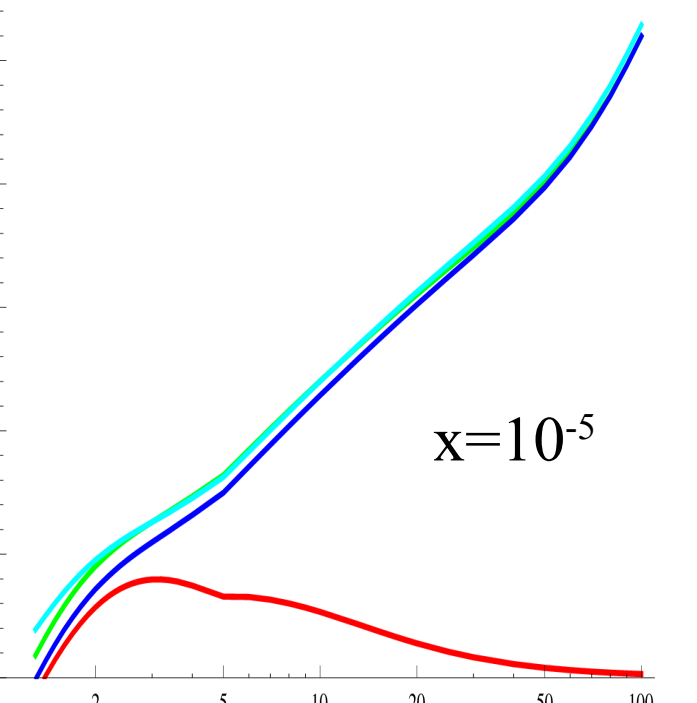
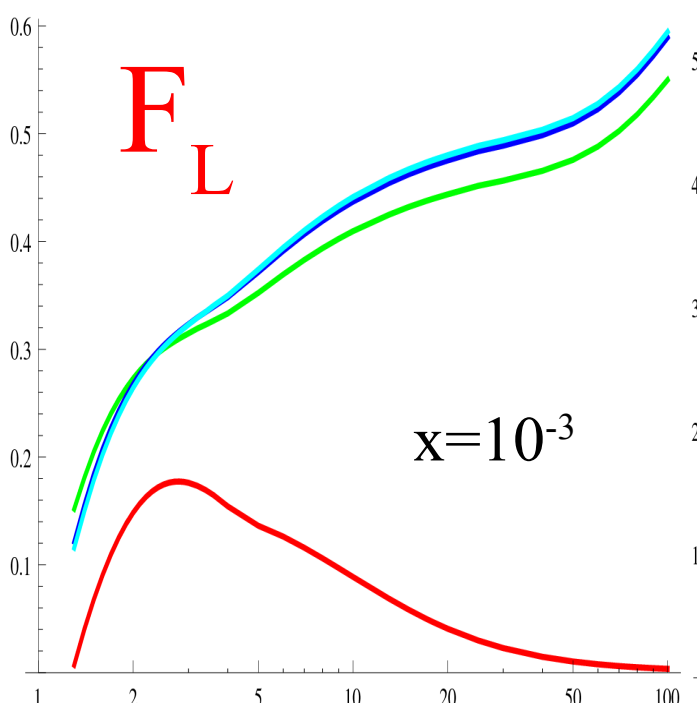
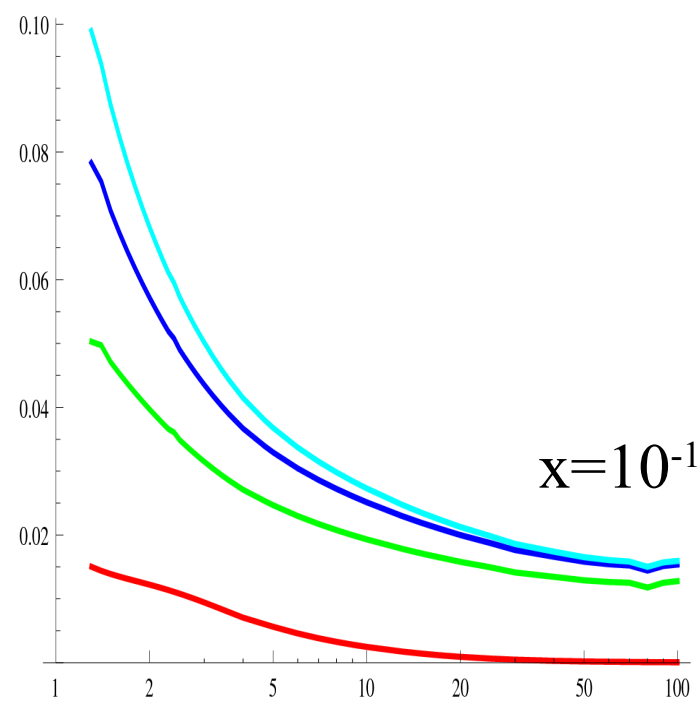
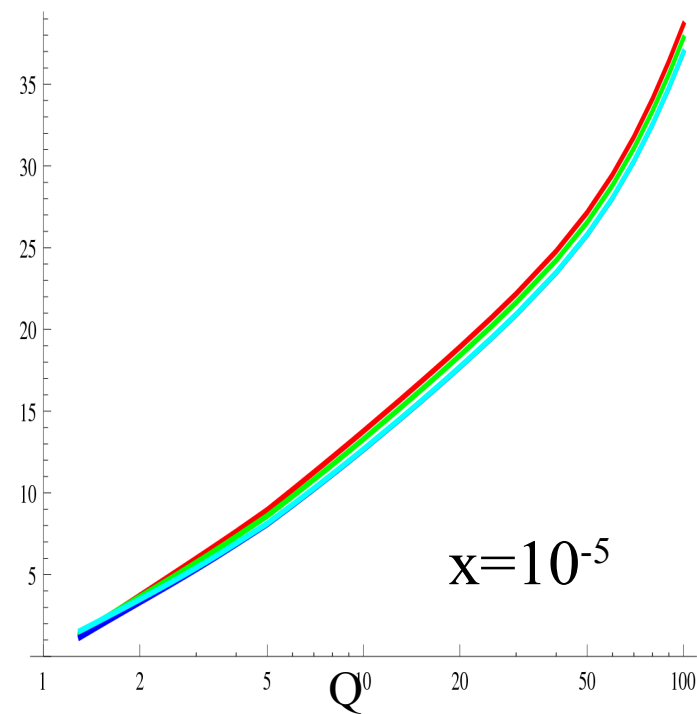
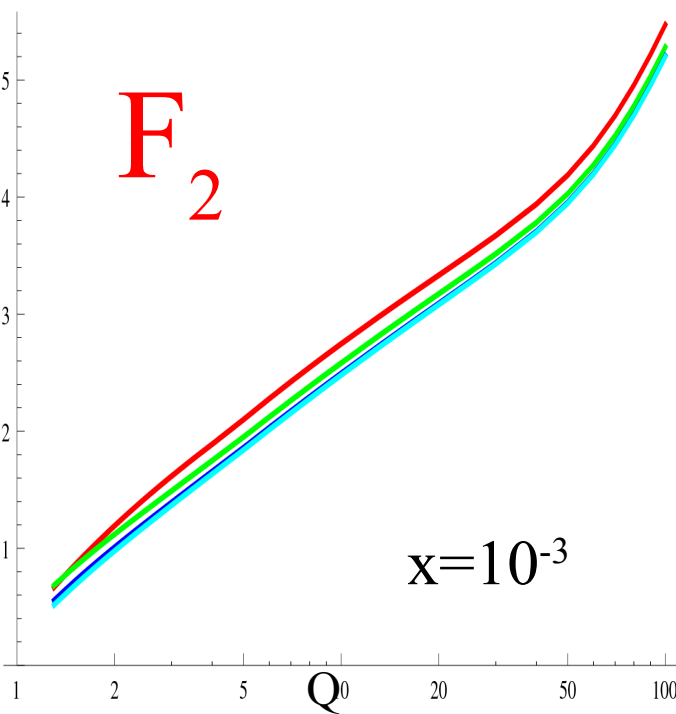
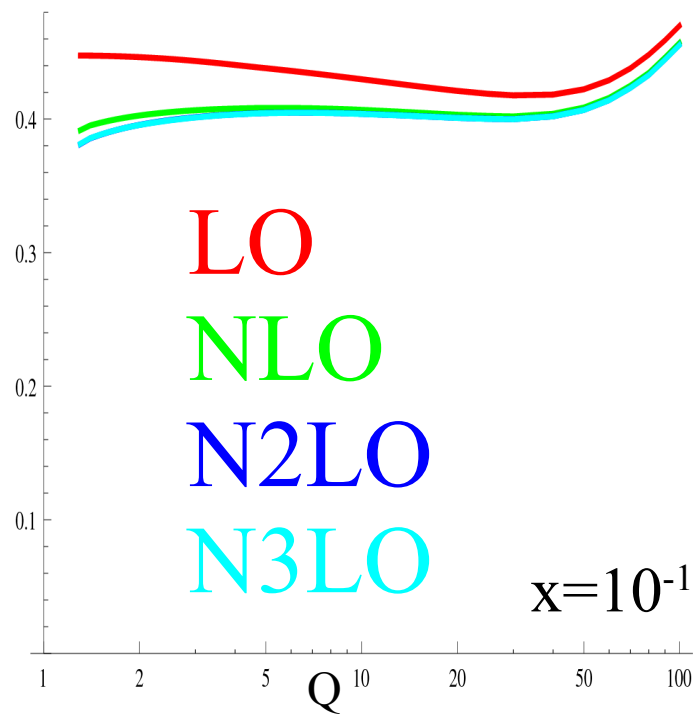






$F_{2,L}$  @ N3LO





# A Complementary Approach

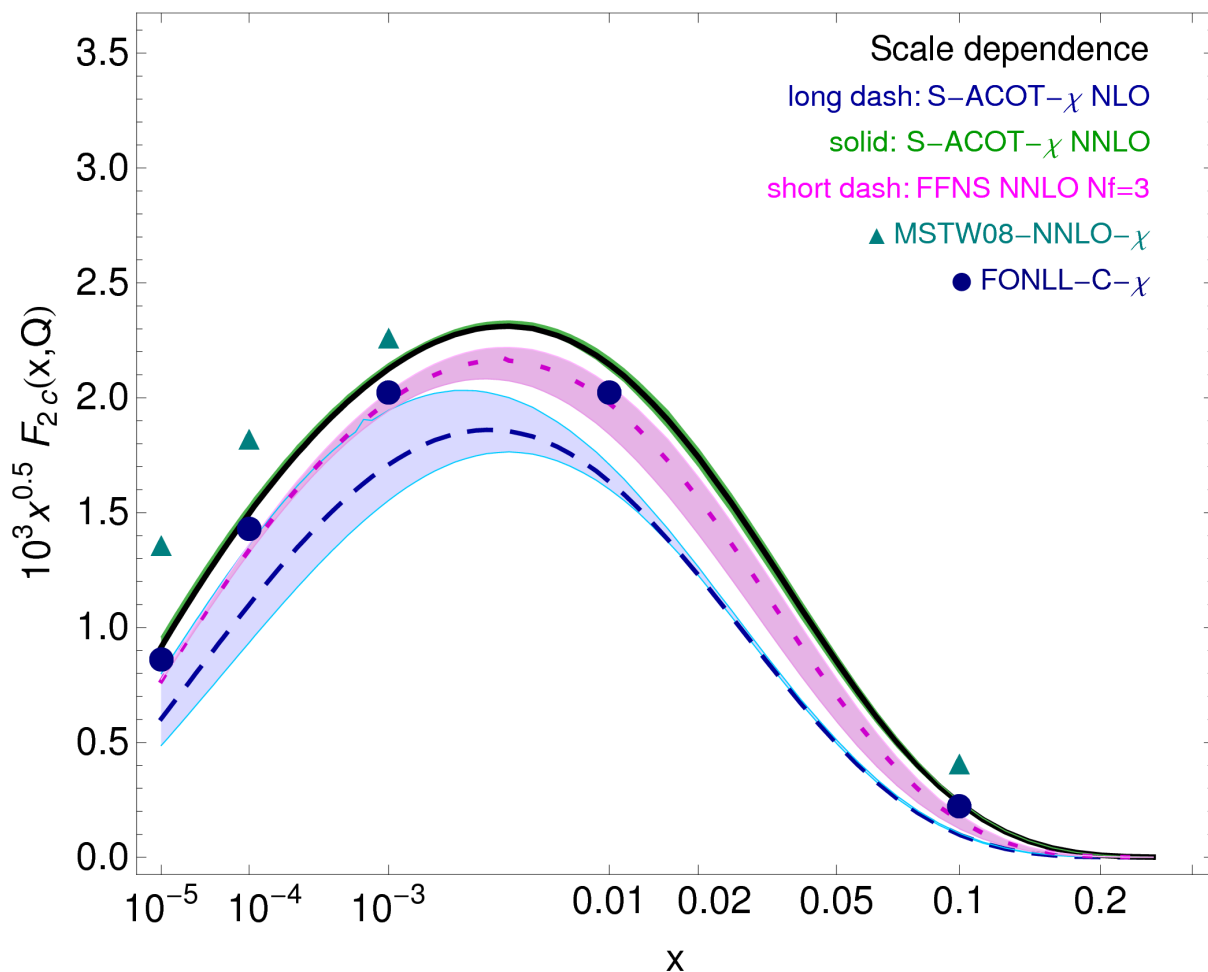
S-ACOT  $\chi$

at NNLO

*led by Marco Guzzi and Pavel Nadolsky*

# Drastic $\mu_F$ -scale reduction in $F_2^c(x, Q^2)$ at NNLO

LH PDFs  $Q=2$  GeV,  $m_c=1.41$  GeV



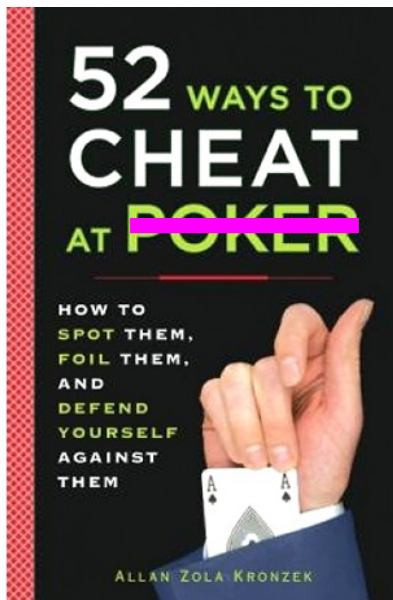
S-ACOT  $\chi$   
for Neutral Currents  
based on Smith vanNeerven

key step for NNLO PDFs  
(see NNLO CT10 PDFs)

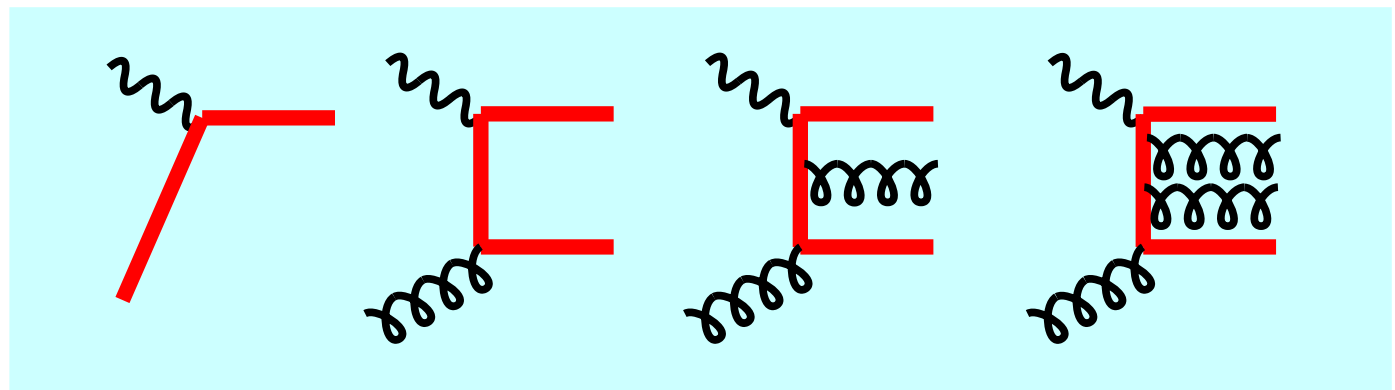
*Comparison in progress  
by B. Clark*

By using S-ACOT- $\chi$  we obtain a drastic reduction of the theoretical errors compared to the NLO computation.

# Can we “guess” the mass effects???



QCD



# DISCONTINUITIES



## $\alpha_s$ is Discontinuous At Higher-Orders

The  $\beta$ -function coefficients, the  $b_i$ , are given for the coupling of an *effective theory* in which  $n_f$  of the quark flavors are considered light ( $m_q \ll \mu_R$ ), and in which the remaining heavier quark flavors decouple from the theory. One may relate the coupling for the theory with  $n_f + 1$  light flavors to that with  $n_f$  flavors through an equation of the form

$$\alpha_s^{(n_f+1)}(\mu_R^2) = \alpha_s^{(n_f)}(\mu_R^2) \left( 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\ell=0}^n c_{n\ell} [\alpha_s^{(n_f)}(\mu_R^2)]^n \ln^\ell \frac{\mu_R^2}{m_h^2} \right), \quad (9.4)$$

where  $m_h$  is the mass of the  $(n_f + 1)^{\text{th}}$  flavor, and the first few  $c_{n\ell}$  coefficients are  $c_{11} = \frac{1}{6\pi}$ ,  $c_{10} = 0$ ,  $c_{22} = c_{11}^2$ ,  $c_{21} = \frac{19}{24\pi^2}$ , and  $c_{20} = -\frac{11}{72\pi^2}$  when  $m_h$  is the  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  mass at scale  $m_h$  ( $c_{20} = \frac{7}{24\pi^2}$  when  $m_h$  is the pole mass — mass definitions are discussed below and in the review on “Quark Masses”). Terms up to  $c_{4\ell}$  are to be found in Refs. 11, 12. Numerically, when one chooses  $\mu_R = m_h$ , the matching is a modest effect, owing to the zero value for the  $c_{10}$  coefficient. Relations between  $n_f$  and  $(n_f + 2)$  flavors where the two heavy flavors are close in mass are given to three loops in Ref. 13.

$$\alpha_S^{N_F+1}(m_q) \sim \alpha_S^{N_F}(m_q) \left( 1 + c \left[ \alpha_S^{N_F}(m_q) \right]^2 \right)$$

**These discontinuities are real, and they persist at all orders!!!**

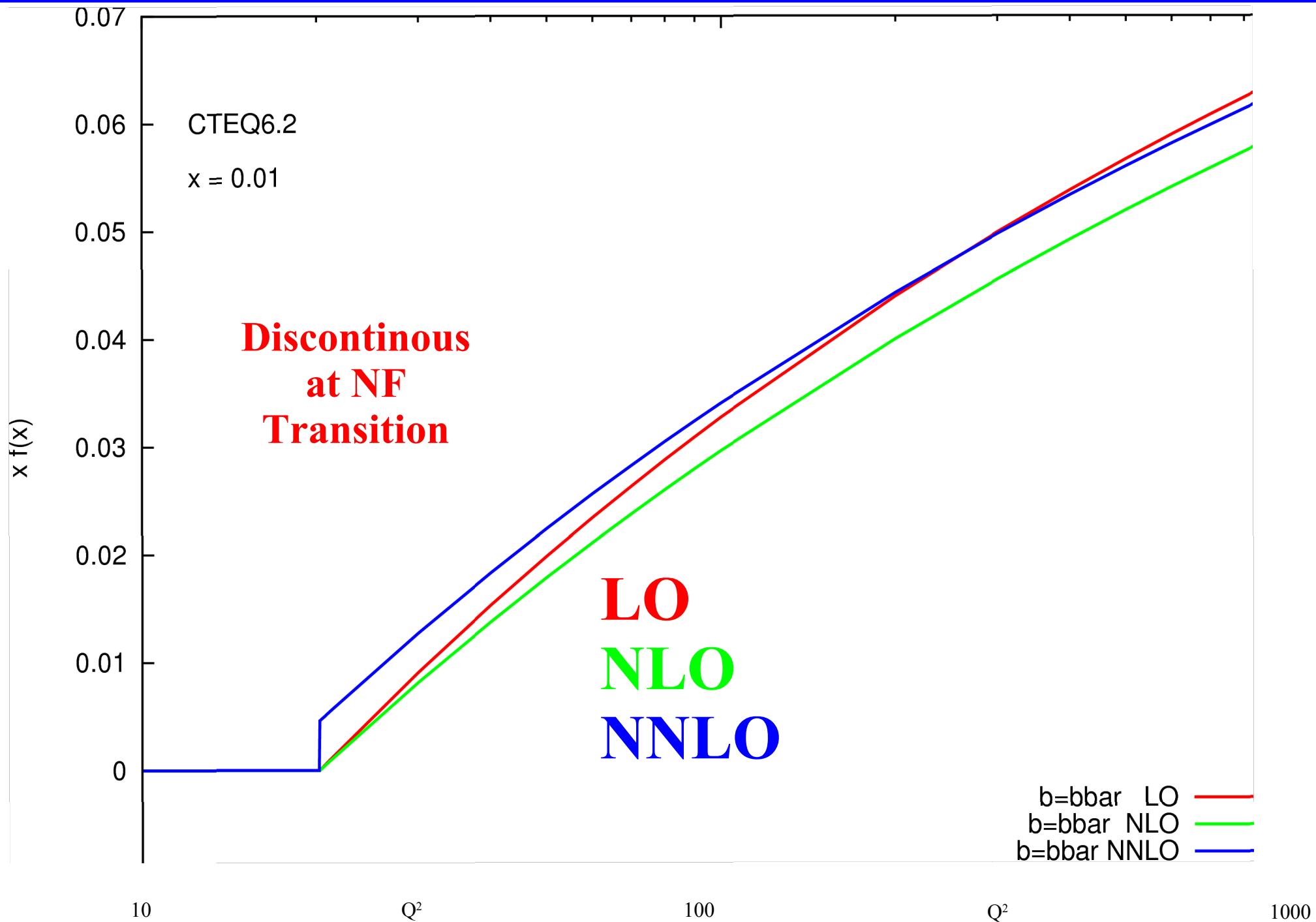
$$\alpha_S^{N_F+1}(m_q) \sim \alpha_S^{N_F}(m_q) \left( 1 + c \left[ \alpha_S^{N_F}(m_q) \right]^2 \right)$$

*Note: These discontinuities do not go away; they persist at all higher orders*

**BUT, Physical quantities ( $d\sigma, F_i$ ) will be continuous to the order of the perturbation theory.**

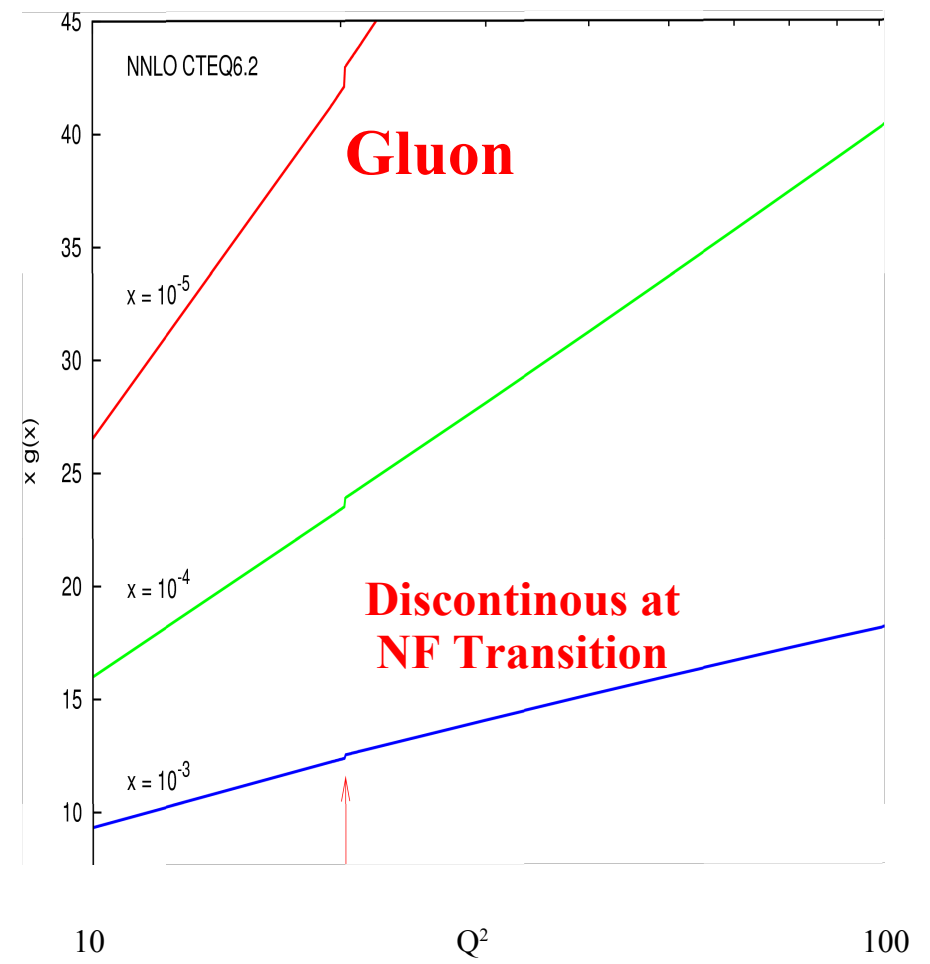
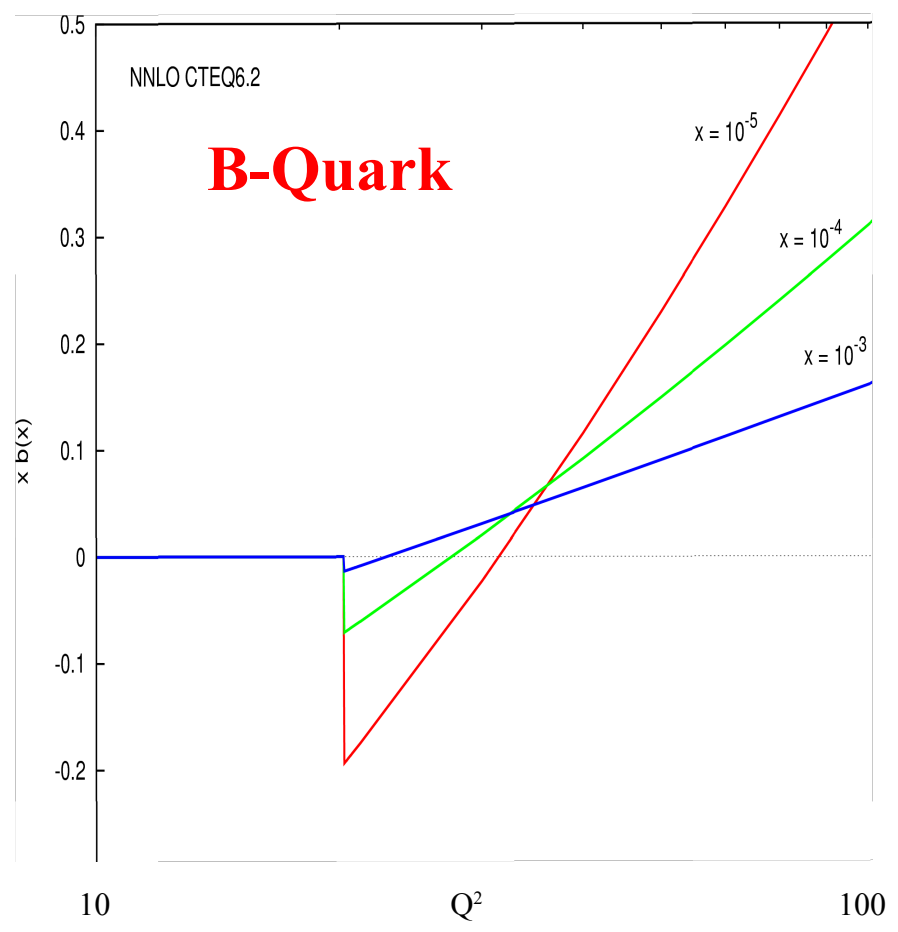
$$\sigma_{\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^{137})}^{n_F=N} = \sigma_{\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^{137})}^{n_F=N+1} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^{138})$$

**QCD  
Really  
Works!!!**



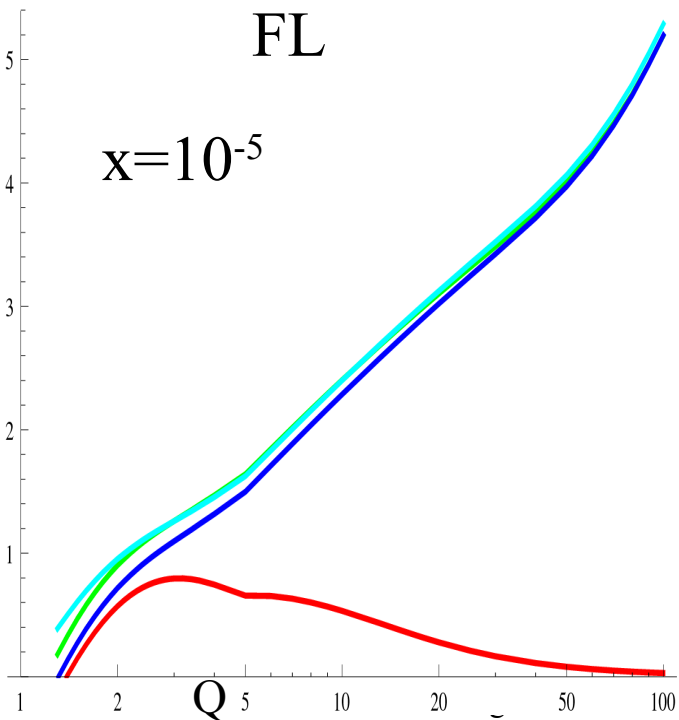
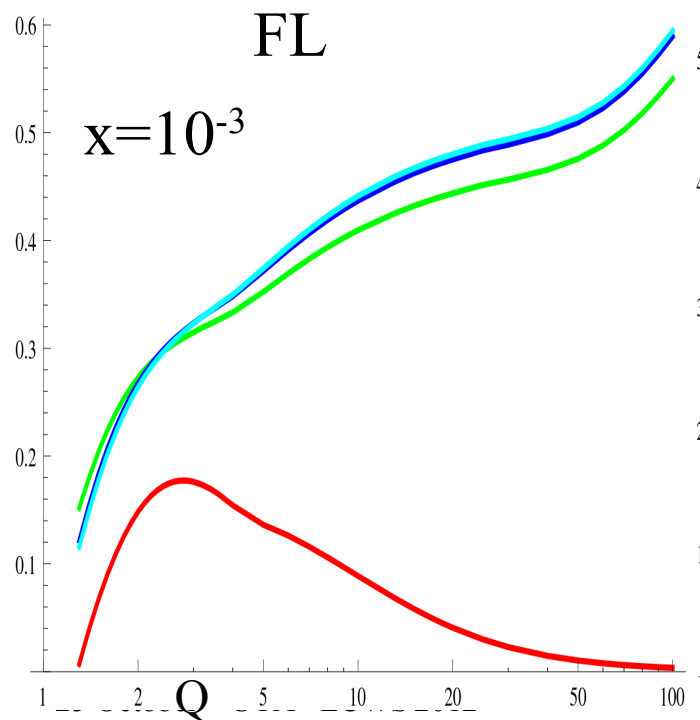
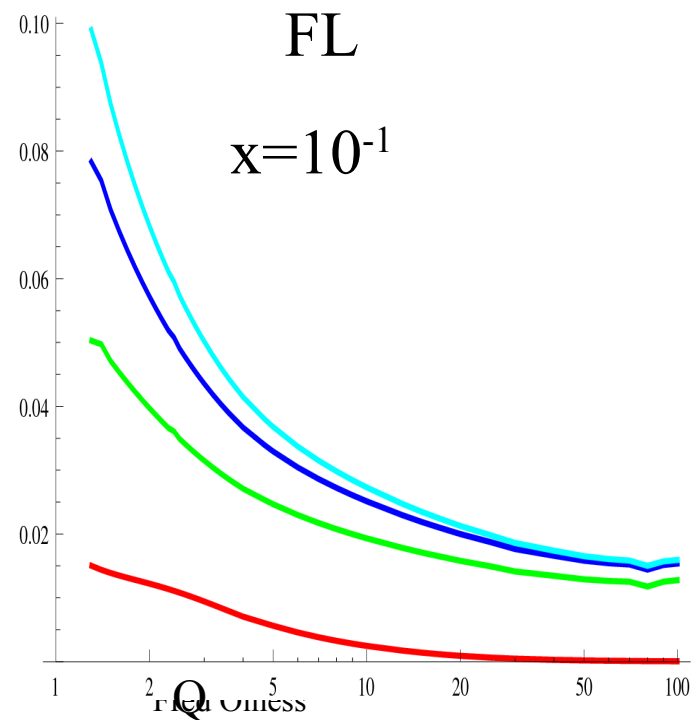
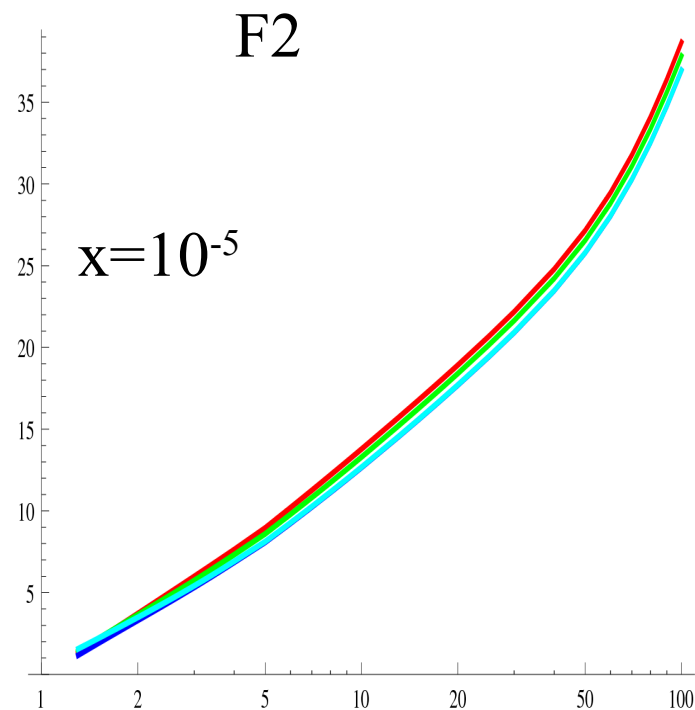
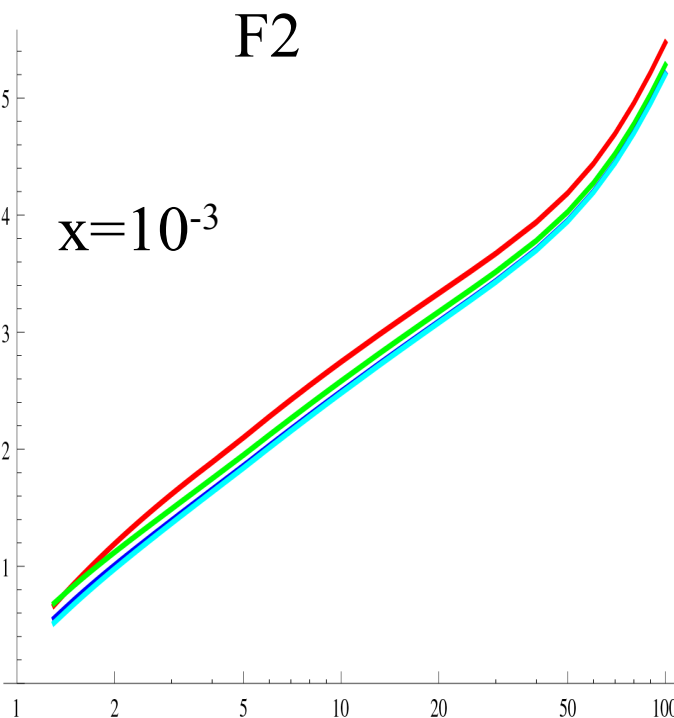
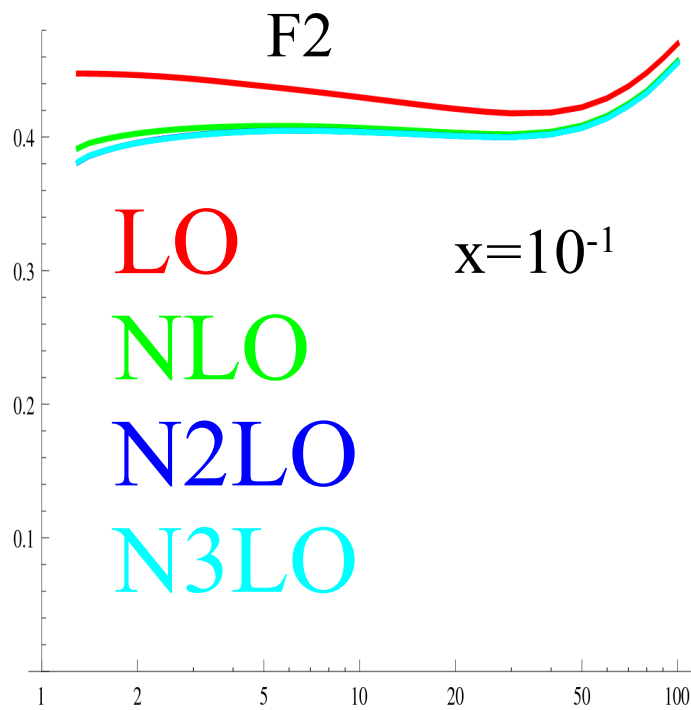


# Discontinuity of the PDFs At Higher-Orders



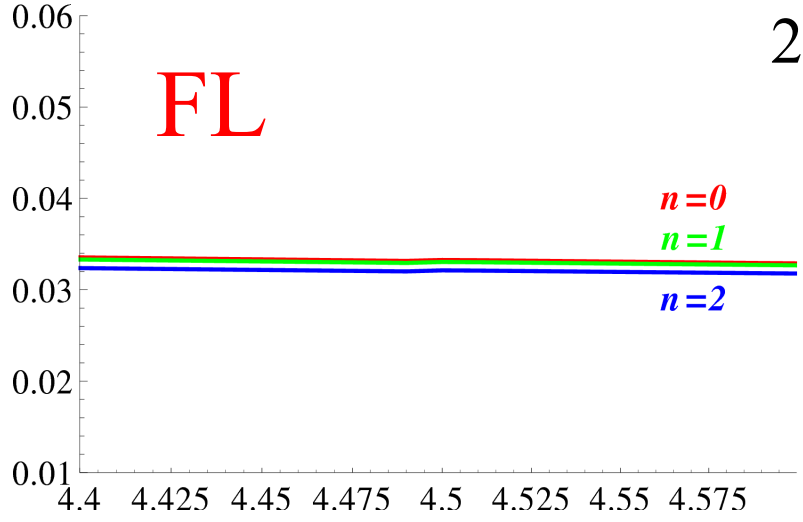
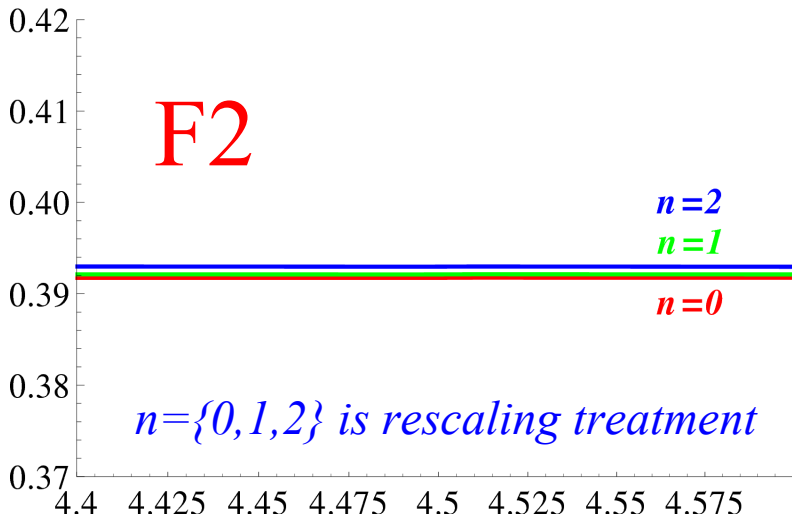
**Note, discontinuity is in opposite directions;  
consequence of the sum rule**

$F_{2,L}$  @ N3LO

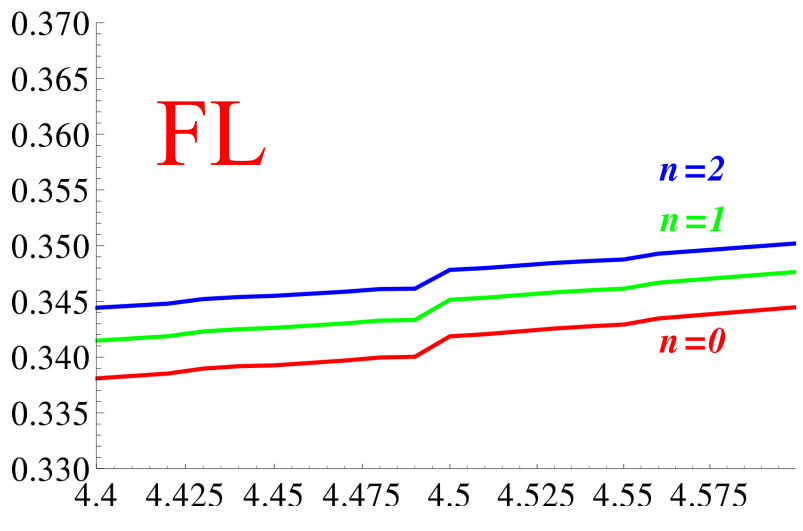
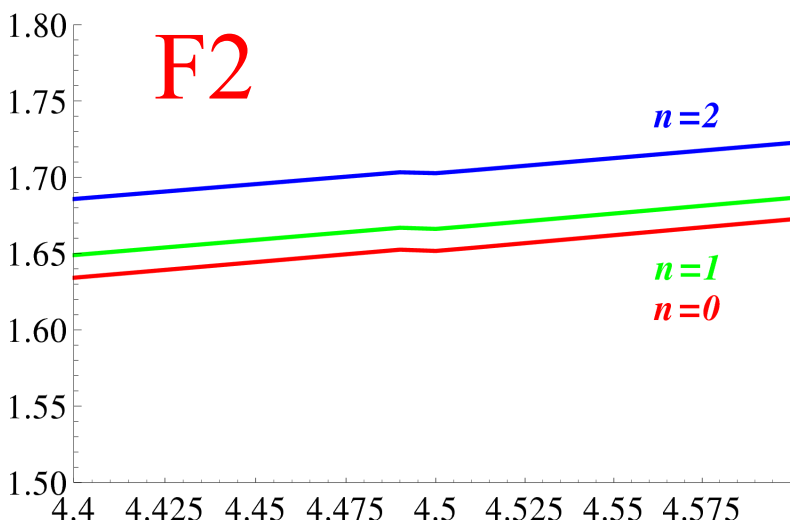


# Enlarge Q Scale

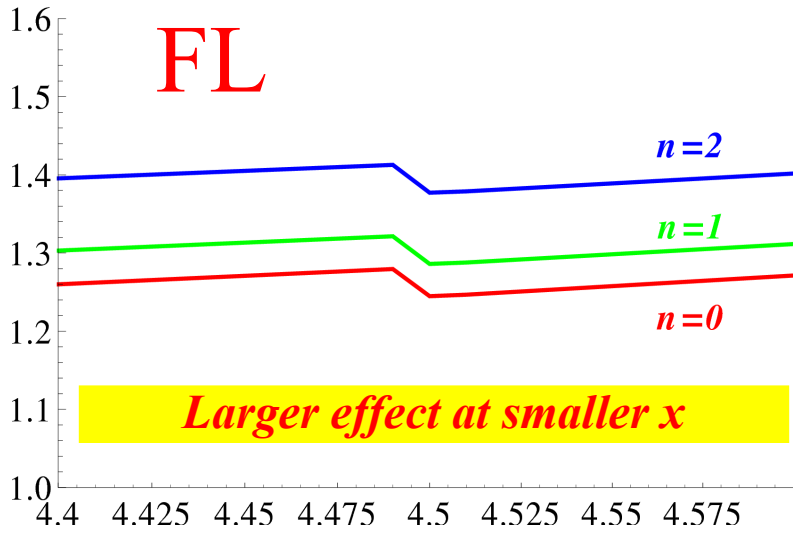
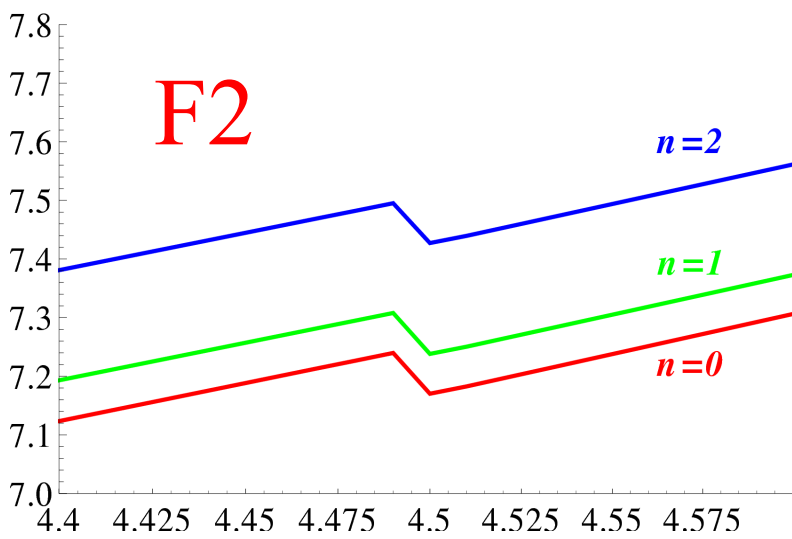
$x=10^{-1}$



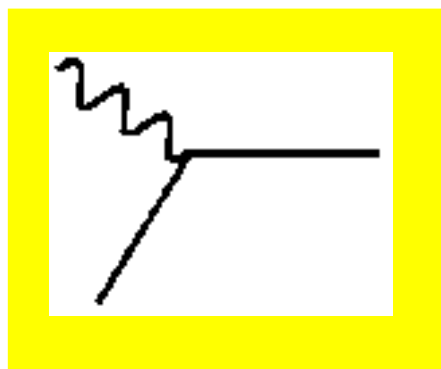
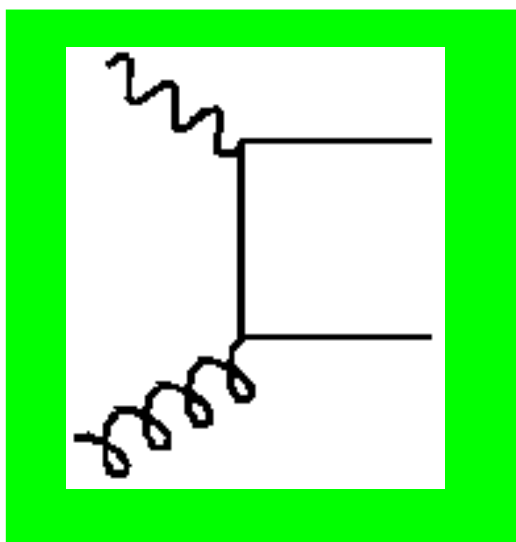
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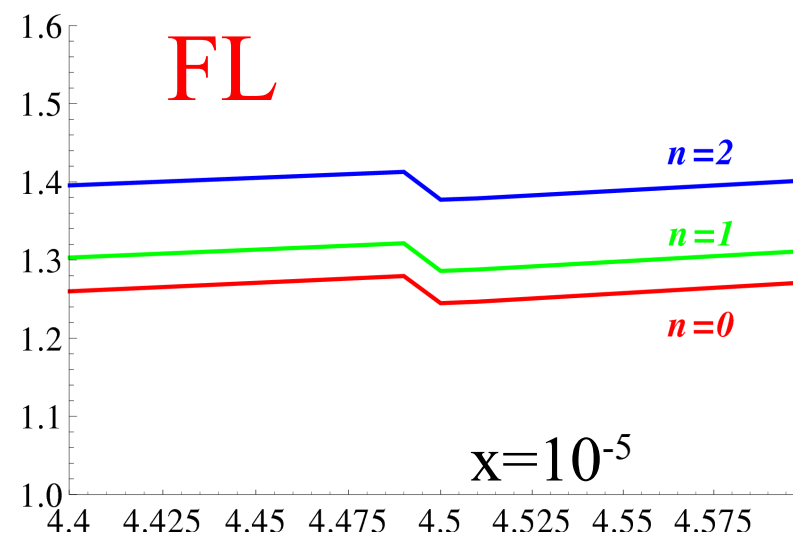
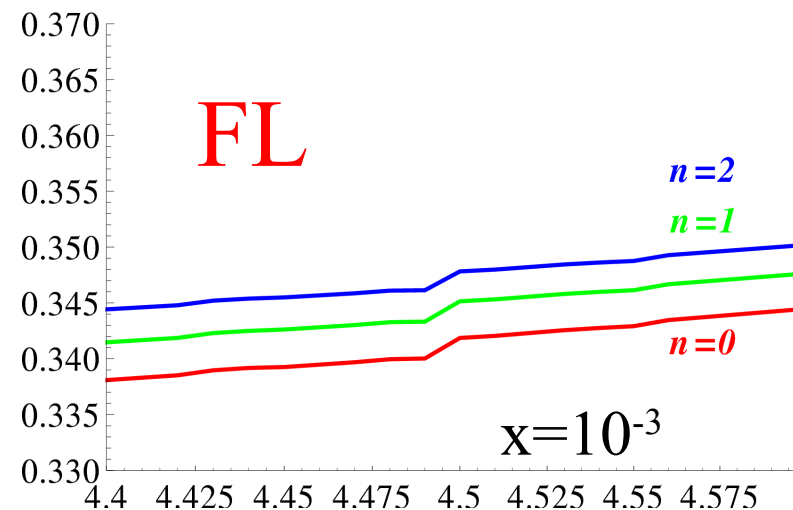
$x=10^{-5}$



Quark & Gluon  
have opposite  
discontinuities



$$\sigma_{TOT}^{N_F+1} = \sigma_{TOT}^{N_F} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^{m+1})$$



... this is really cool!!!

## QCD Compensates: *the details*

$$f_b^5 = \left\{ 0 + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{qg} (L + a_{qg}) + O(\alpha_s^2) \right\} \otimes f_g^4$$

$$f_g^5 = \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{gg} (L + a_{gg}) + O(\alpha_s^2) \right\} \otimes f_g^4$$

$$L = \ln(\mu^2 / m_b^2)$$

$$\sigma_{LO} = C^0 \otimes f_b^5 \simeq C^0 \otimes \left\{ 0 + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{qg} (L + a_{qg}) \right\} \otimes f_g^4$$

$$\sigma_{NLO} = C^1 \otimes f_g^5 \simeq C^1 \otimes \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{gg} (L + a_{gg}) \right\} \otimes f_g^4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{SUB} &= C^0 \otimes \tilde{f}_{g \rightarrow q} \otimes f_g^5 \simeq C^0 \otimes \left\{ \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{qg} (L + a_{qg}) \right\} \\ &\otimes \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{gg} (L + a_{gg}) \right\} \otimes f_g^4 \end{aligned}$$

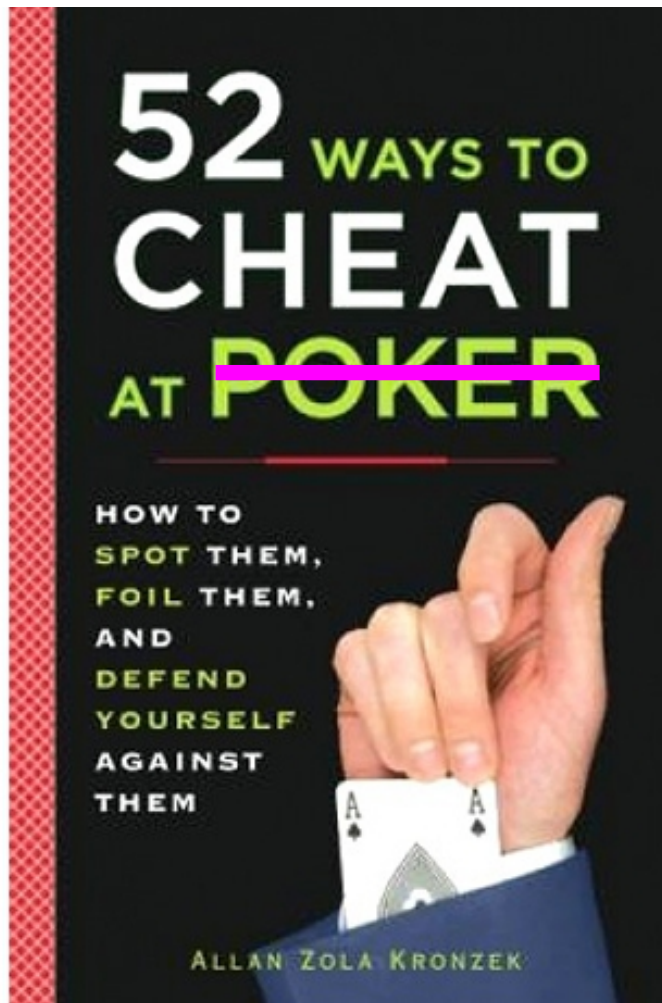
$$\sigma_{TOT}^{N_F=5} = \sigma_{LO} + \sigma_{NLO} - \sigma_{SUB} = C^1 \otimes f_g^4 + O(\alpha_s^2)$$

$$\sigma_{TOT}^{N_F=4} = \sigma_{NLO} = C^1 \otimes f_g^4 + O(\alpha_s^2)$$

$$\sigma_{TOT}^{N_F=5} = \sigma_{TOT}^{N_F=4} + O(\alpha_s^2)$$

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# Conclusion



QCD

DISCONTINUITIES

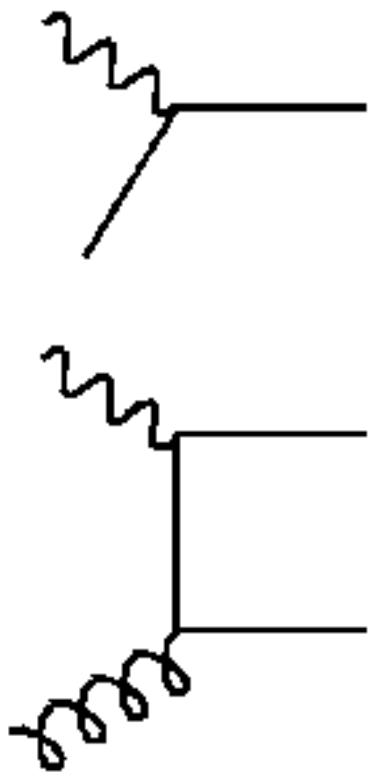




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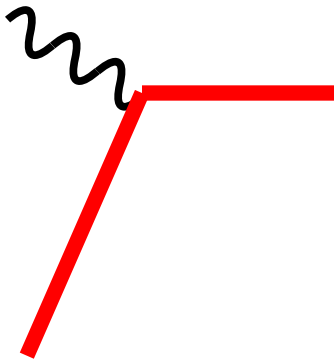
# Leftover

$\xi$	General	m <sub>1</sub> = 0	m <sub>1</sub> = m <sub>2</sub> = m	$\chi$ -scheme:
2 → 1	$\eta \left[ \frac{Q^2 - m_1^2 + m_2^2 + \Delta[-Q^2, m_1^2, m_2^2]}{2Q^2} \right]$	$\eta \left[ 1 + \frac{m_2^2}{Q^2} \right]$	$\eta \left[ 1 + \frac{m^2}{Q^2} \right]$	$\eta \left[ 1 + \frac{(2m)^2}{Q^2} \right]$
2 → 2	$\eta \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{m_1 + m_2}{Q} \right)^2 \right]$	$\eta \left[ 1 + \frac{m_2^2}{Q^2} \right]$	$\eta \left[ 1 + \frac{(2m)^2}{Q^2} \right]$	$\eta \left[ 1 + \frac{(2m)^2}{Q^2} \right]$

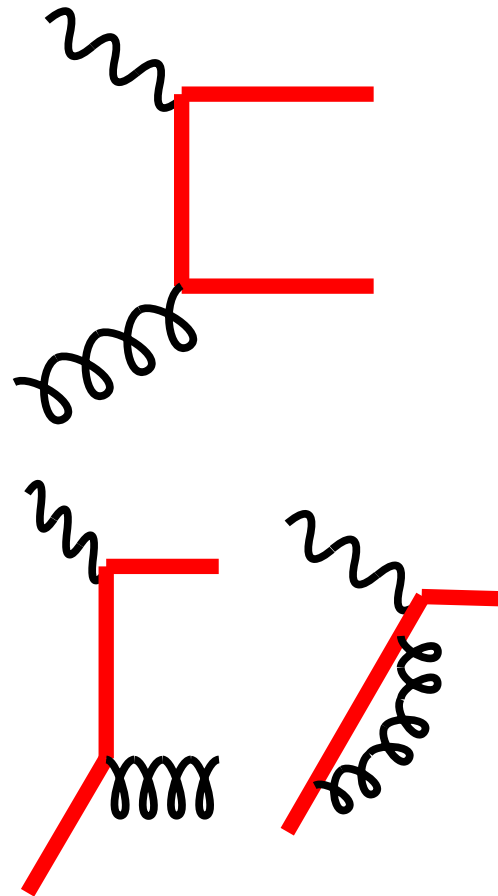


$$\chi = x \left[ 1 + \frac{(\mathbf{n} m_c)^2}{Q^2} \right]$$

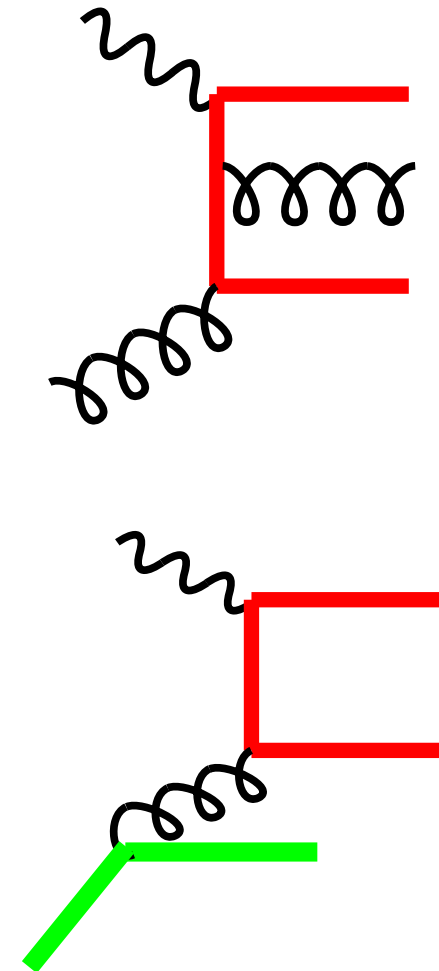
**LO**



**NLO**



**NNLO**



$$F_{123} \sim q(x) \otimes C_q^0 + \alpha_S \{ g(x) \otimes C_g^1 + q(x) \otimes C_q^1 \}$$

## OUTLINE:

### **Machinery to deal with this is already built into HERA-Fitter & QCDNUM**

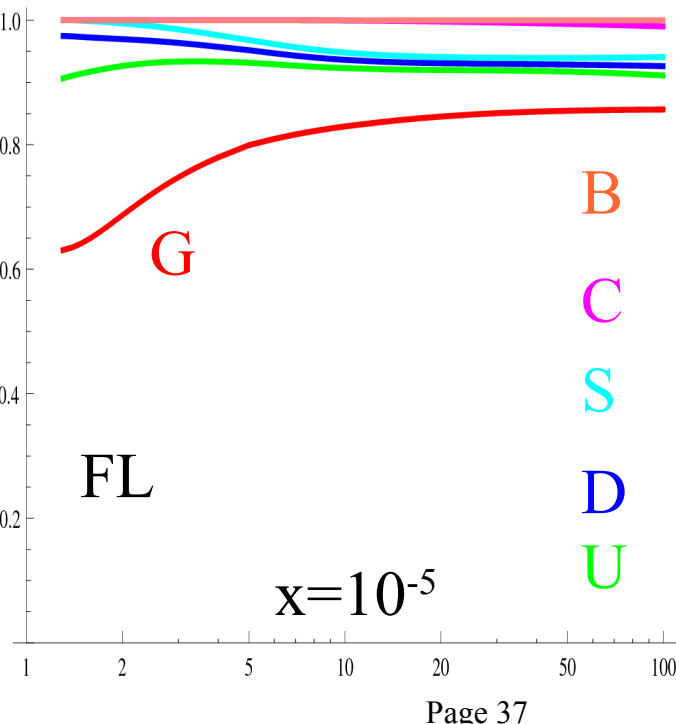
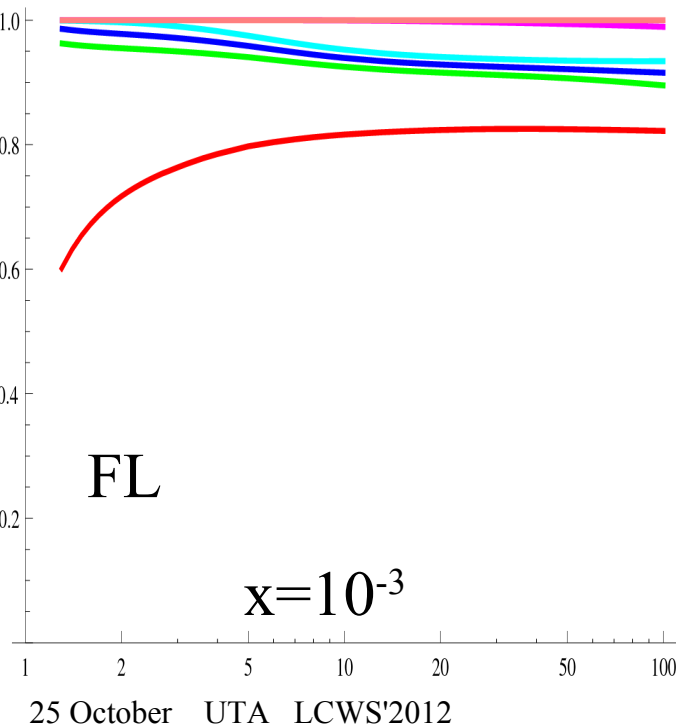
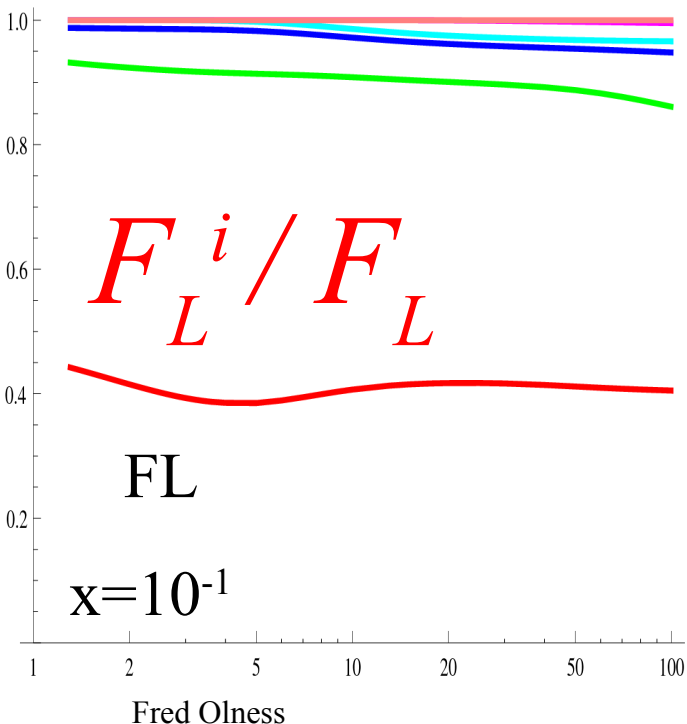
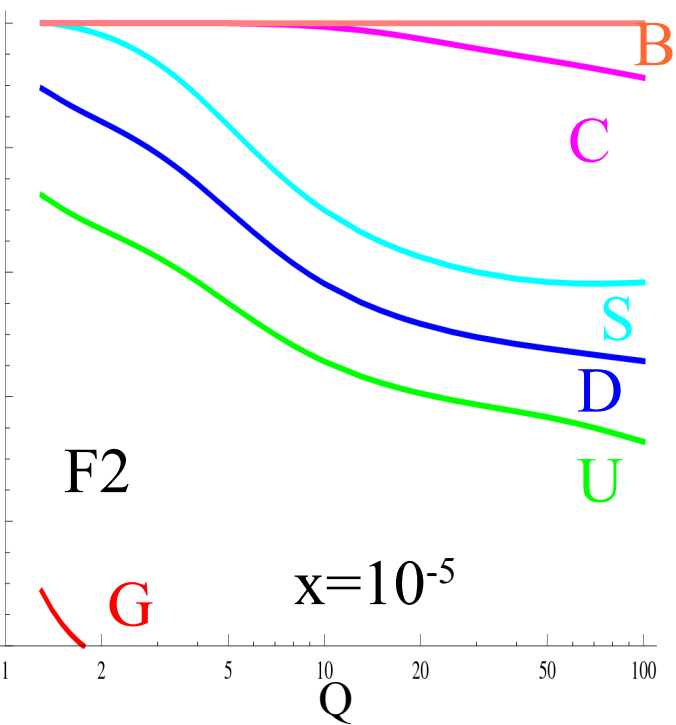
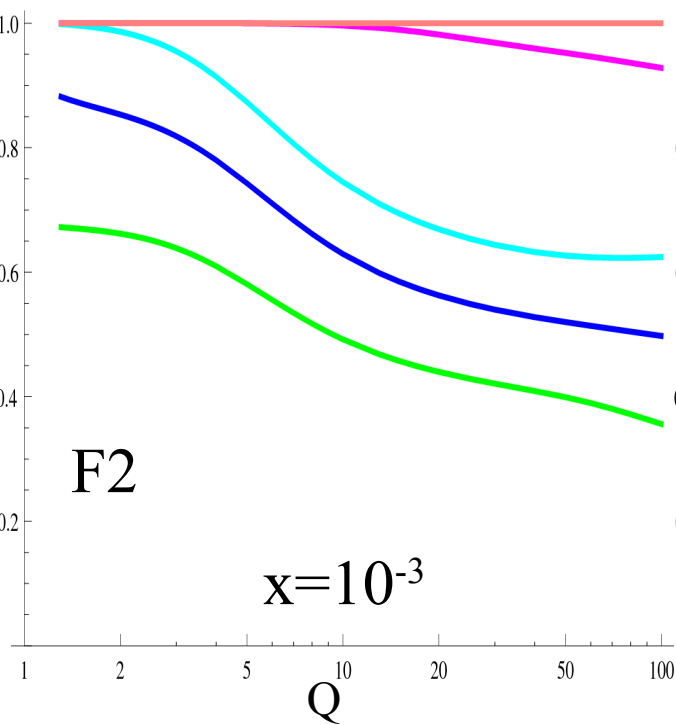
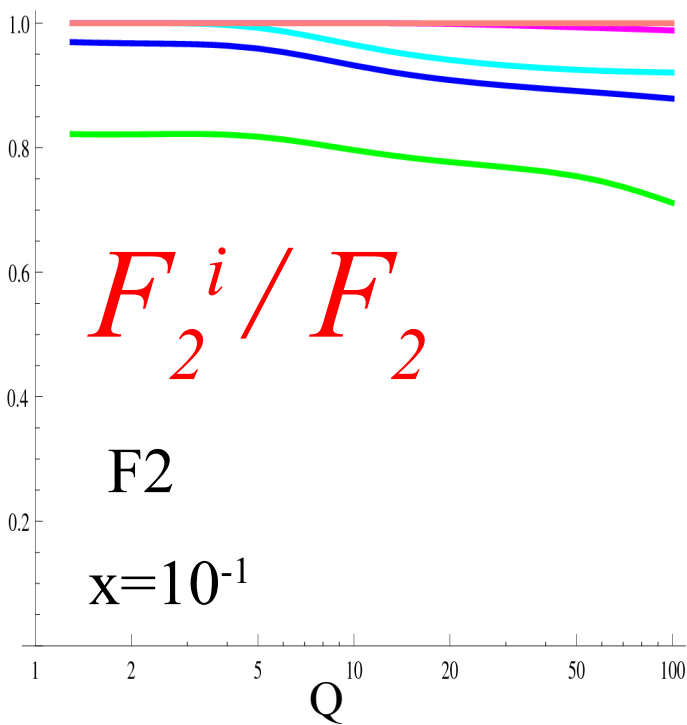
- PDFs Discontinuous at N2LO
- $\alpha_s$  Discontinuous at  $\alpha_s^3$

*Note: These discontinuities do not go away; they persist at all higher orders*

**BUT, Physical quantities ( $d\sigma$ ,  $F_i$ ) will be continuous  
to the order of the perturbation theory.**

$$\sigma_{\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^{137})}^{N_F=N} = \sigma_{\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^{137})}^{N_F=N+1} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^{138})$$

**QCD  
Really  
Works!!!**



## This technique provides an NNLO & N3LO extension of ACOT

“Phase space” mass is included via rescaling  
Dominant effect for LO & NLO

**F2:** Stable.  
LO and NLO have full  $m$ -dependence  
N2LO and N3LO very similar

**FL:** More complex as NLO corrections are large (Callan-Gross)  
N2LO and N3LO terms converge

Heavy quark terms vanish for low  $Q$ ;  
this moderates mass effects

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