

Determination of $\alpha_s(Q^2)$ from Transverse Energy-Energy Correlations in multijet events at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

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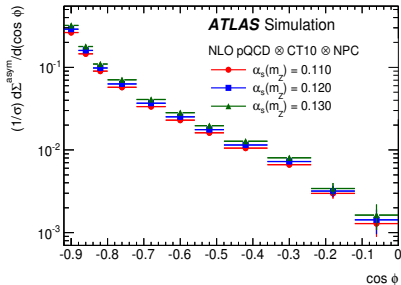
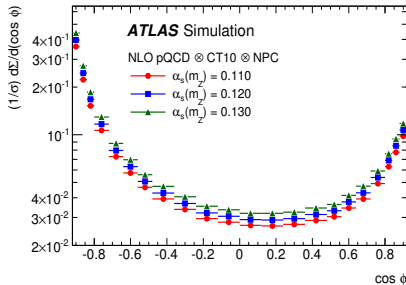
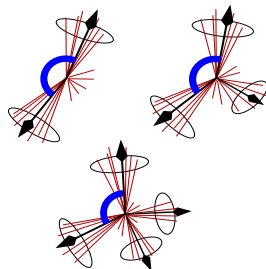
Transverse energy-energy correlations

TEEC: The x_T -weighted distribution of differences in azimuth between jets i and j , with $x_{Ti} = \frac{E_{Ti}}{\sum_k E_{Tk}}$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\Sigma}{d(\cos \phi)} = \frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{ij} \int \frac{d\sigma}{dx_{Ti} dx_{Tj} d(\cos \phi)} x_{Ti} x_{Tj} dx_{Ti} dx_{Tj}$$

And the azimuthal asymmetry ATEEC is defined as

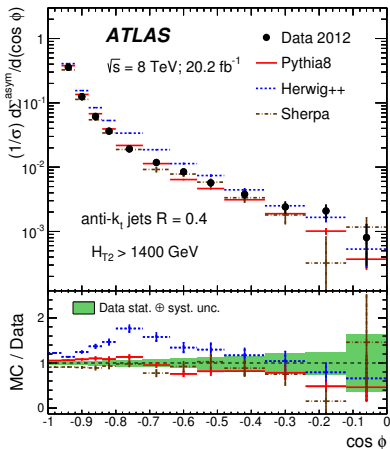
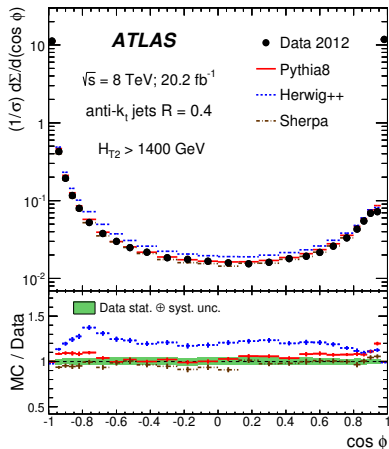
$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\Sigma^{\text{asym}}}{d(\cos \phi)} \equiv \frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\Sigma}{d(\cos \phi)} \Big|_{\phi} - \frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\Sigma}{d(\cos \phi)} \Big|_{\pi - \phi}$$



[A. Ali, F. Barreiro, J. Llorente, W. Wang. Phys. Rev. **D86**, 114017 (2012)]

Unfolded results: $H_{T2} > 1400$ GeV

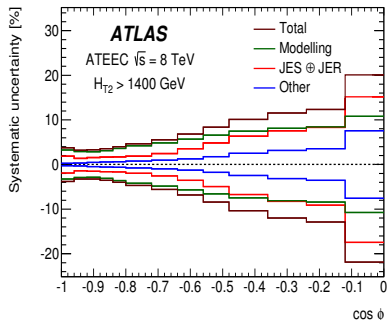
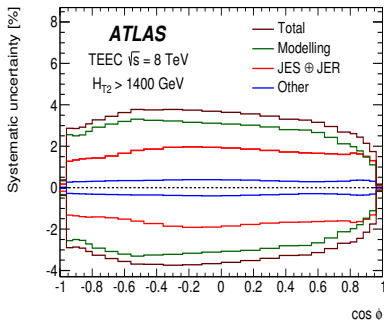
The plots below show the unfolded TEEC and ATEEC functions along with MC expectations for $H_{T2} > 1400$ GeV.



The error bars include both statistical and systematic uncertainties.

Total systematic uncertainty (TEEC)

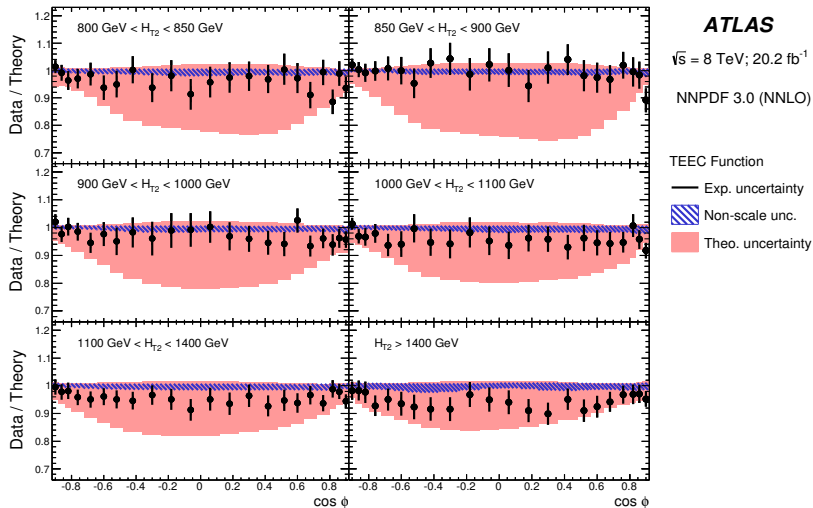
The uncertainties discussed are added in quadratures to obtain the total systematic



- Systematics due to jet energy measurements are highly suppressed
- Dominant source is from parton shower modelling.

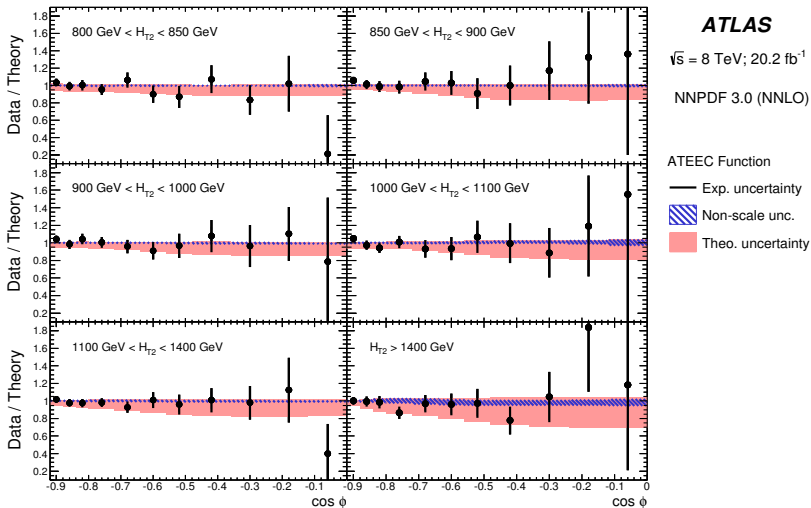
Comparison with data (TEEC)

Ratios of the measured TEEC functions with the theoretical predictions obtained using NNPDF 3.0



Comparison with data (ATEEC)

Ratios of the measured ATEEC functions with the theoretical predictions obtained using NNPDF 3.0



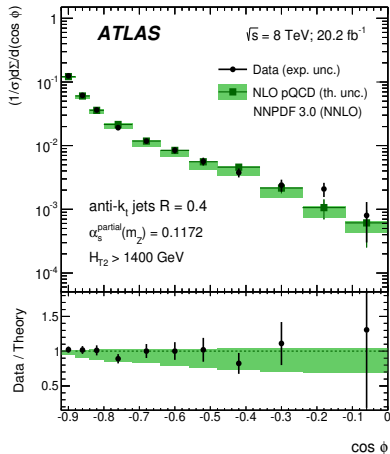
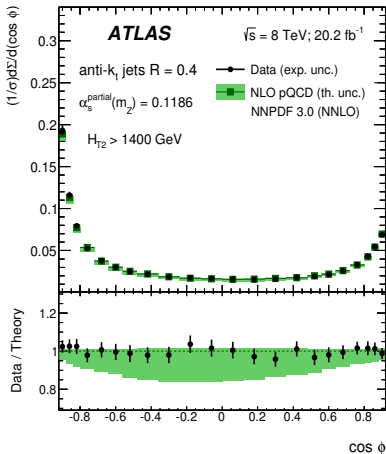
The determination of the strong coupling $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ relies on the minimization of a χ^2 function.

$$\chi^2(\alpha_s; \vec{\lambda}) = \sum_k \frac{(x_k - F_k(\alpha_s; \vec{\lambda}))^2}{\Delta x_k^2 + \Delta \tau_k^2} + \sum_i \lambda_i^2$$

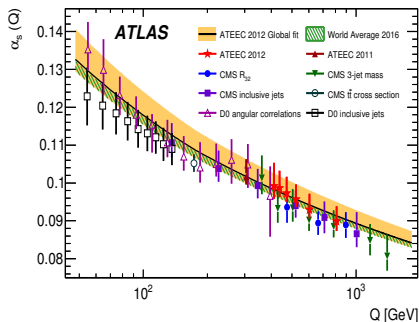
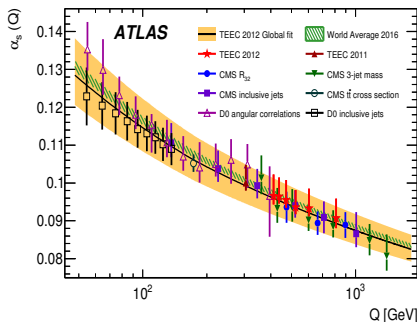
$$F_k(\alpha_s; \vec{\lambda}) = \phi_k(\alpha_s) \left(1 + \sum_i \lambda_i \sigma_{ik} \right)$$

- This method requires an analytical expression for the dependence of the observable on the parameter, given by $\phi_k(\alpha_s)$.
- The correlations between sources of systematic uncertainty are accounted for using the nuisance parameters $\{\lambda_i\}$.
- Statistical uncertainty on the theoretical predictions also taken into account in $\Delta \tau_k$.

Data / Theory comparison for TEEC and ATEEC after the partial fits



Test of QCD asymptotic freedom



PDF	$\alpha_s(m_Z)$ value (TEEC fit)		χ^2 / N_{dof}
MMHT 2014	0.1151 ± 0.0008 (exp.)	$^{+0.0064}_{-0.0047}$ (scale) ± 0.0012 (PDF) ± 0.0002 (NP)	172.8 / 131
CT14	0.1165 ± 0.0010 (exp.)	$^{+0.0067}_{-0.0061}$ (scale) ± 0.0016 (PDF) ± 0.0003 (NP)	161.1 / 131
NNPDF 3.0	0.1162 ± 0.0008 (exp.)	$^{+0.0076}_{-0.0061}$ (scale) ± 0.0018 (PDF) ± 0.0003 (NP)	173.5 / 131
HERAPDF 2.0	0.1177 ± 0.0008 (exp.)	$^{+0.0064}_{-0.0040}$ (scale) ± 0.0009 (PDF) ± 0.0002 (NP)	169.2 / 131
PDF	$\alpha_s(m_Z)$ value (ATEEC fit)		χ^2 / N_{dof}
MMHT 2014	0.1185 ± 0.0012 (exp.)	$^{+0.0047}_{-0.0010}$ (scale) ± 0.0010 (PDF) ± 0.0004 (NP)	57.0 / 65
CT14	0.1203 ± 0.0013 (exp.)	$^{+0.0053}_{-0.0014}$ (scale) ± 0.0015 (PDF) ± 0.0004 (NP)	55.4 / 65
NNPDF 3.0	0.1196 ± 0.0013 (exp.)	$^{+0.0061}_{-0.0013}$ (scale) ± 0.0017 (PDF) ± 0.0004 (NP)	60.3 / 65
HERAPDF 2.0	0.1206 ± 0.0012 (exp.)	$^{+0.0050}_{-0.0014}$ (scale) ± 0.0009 (PDF) ± 0.0002 (NP)	54.2 / 65

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- 7 TeV result: PLB 750, 427 (2015)
- 8 TeV result: arXiv:1707.02562 [hep-ex]