

# Fifty Years of Heavy Quark Fragmentation

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Hard interaction at some large scale,  
observation of a heavy hadron with a given momentum

Multiple scales : at least the **large scale  $\mathbf{Q}$** , the **heavy quark mass  $m$** , the momentum of the heavy hadron (which can constrain the **energy of emitted gluons**), the **non-perturbative scale  $\Lambda$**  of the hadronisation of the heavy quark into the heavy hadron

Problem addressed multiple times, using multiple languages:  
phenomenological models, pQCD, renormalons, effective coupling, HQET, SCET, bHQET,...

Heavy quark  
discovery

A personal (and certainly biased) view  
of what happened in between

Now

1974

2023

## A very logarithmic view of these 50 years

- An overview of some of the papers that addressed this problem over the years (personal selection)
- The first results of another calculation/implementation of  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma, Z \rightarrow H_Q + X$  to NNLO+NNLL

Leonardo Bonino, MC, Giovanni Stagnitto, in preparation

Heavy quark  
discovery

Bjorken  
Suzuki



# Bjorken and Suzuki, 1977

involving the same produced partons (with the same momenta), but not involving a cascade decay. (ii) For neutrino production, electroproduction, and  $e^+e^-$  annihilation, at energies far above threshold, the inclusive momentum distribution of a stable hadron  $H$  containing the  $Q$  peaks near the maximum momentum, i.e., at values of the scaling variable  $z \sim 1$ . (iii) For events containing a nonleptonic decay of  $Q$  into ordinary quarks

Bjorken

A model is presented to describe hadron fragmentation off light and heavy partons. Fragmentation functions are parametrized by one variable. When a heavy parton of a new flavour fragments, a heavy hadron tends to carry away most of the parton momentum, leaving light hadron ( $\pi$  and  $K$ ) spectra softer than those from light partons.

Suzuki

A heavy quark to heavy hadron fragmentation function  $f(z)$  will be peaked near  $z=1$ :

$$\langle z \rangle \simeq 1 - \frac{1 \text{ GeV}}{m}$$

Heavy quark  
discovery

Peterson, Schlatter,  
Schmitt and Zerwas

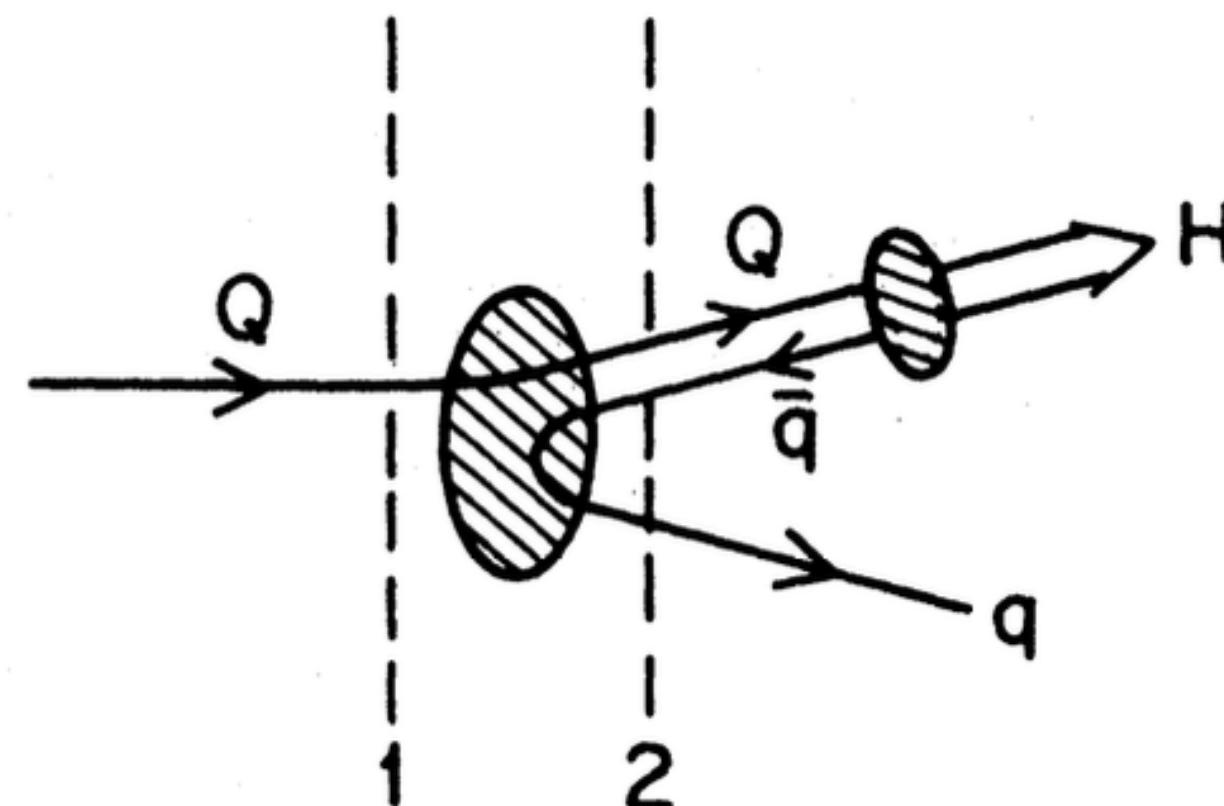
Bjorken  
Suzuki

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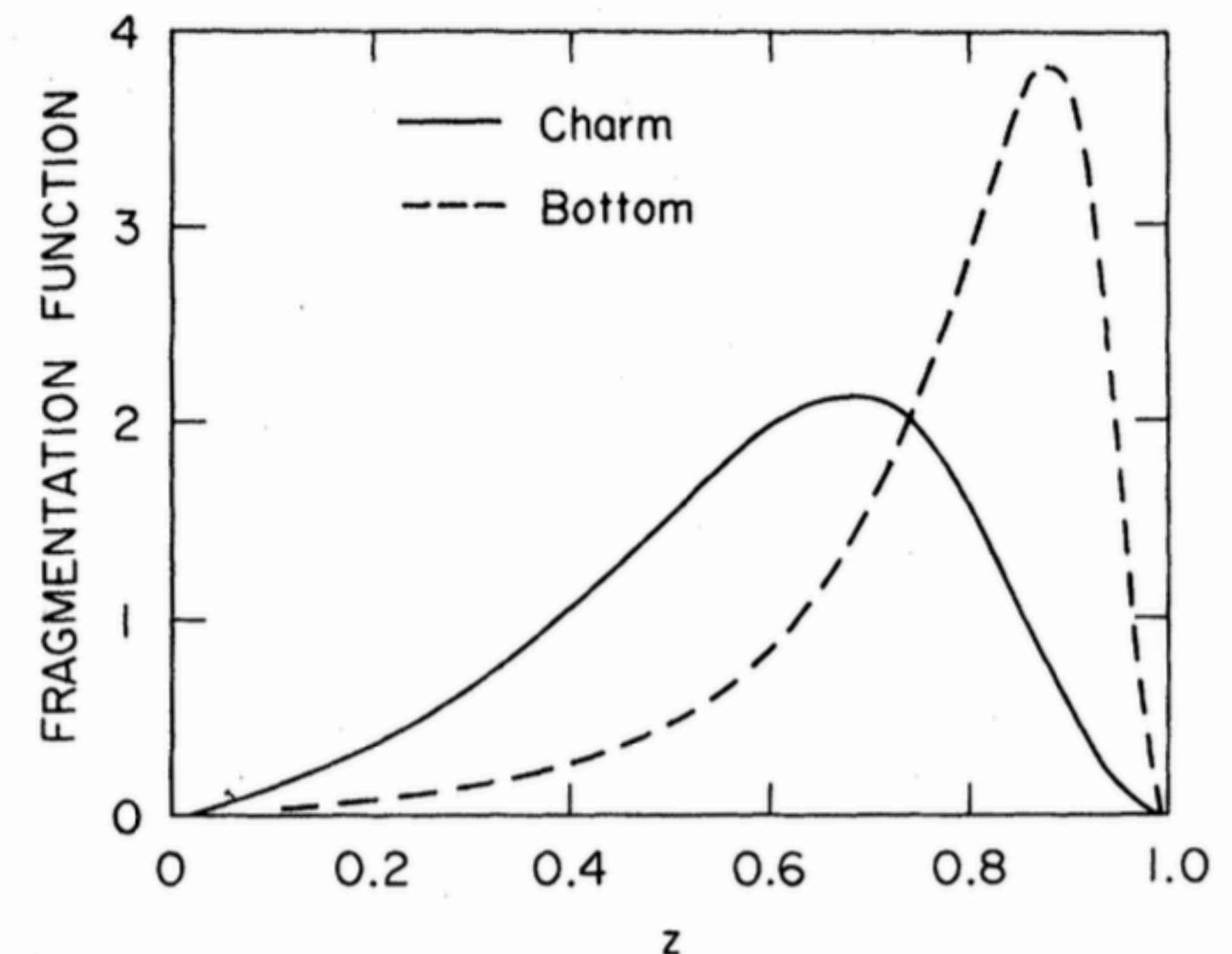
# A phenomenological model for heavy quark hadronisation



$$\text{amplitude } (Q \rightarrow H + q) \propto \Delta E^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta E &= (m_Q^2 + z^2 P^2)^{1/2} + (m_q^2 + (1-z)^2 P^2)^{1/2} \\ &\quad - (m_Q^2 + P^2)^{1/2} \\ &\propto 1 - (1/z) - (\epsilon_Q / 1-z) \end{aligned} \quad \text{with } \epsilon_Q \sim m_q^2/m_Q^2$$

$$D_Q^H(z) = \frac{N}{z[1 - (1/z) - \epsilon_Q/(1-z)]^2}$$



# Once upon a time

Heavy quark  
discovery

Peterson, Schlatter,  
Schmitt and Zerwas

Bjorken  
Suzuki

**Mele, Nason**

1974  
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1991

2023

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## THE FRAGMENTATION FUNCTION FOR HEAVY QUARKS IN QCD

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An erratum almost 30 years later



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Corrigendum

Corrigendum to “The fragmentation function for heavy quarks in QCD” [Nucl. Phys. B 361 (1991) 626–644]

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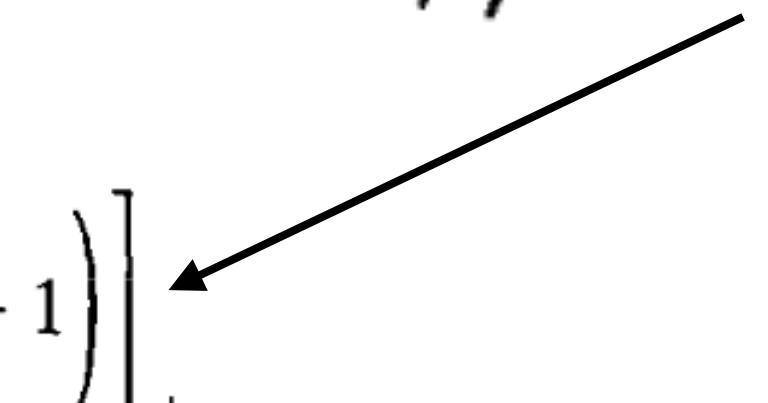
(no worry, just some typos)

PSSZ (and certainly many other papers at the time) was already addressing the issue of **perturbative QCD evolution** on top of heavy quark fragmentation.

Mele-Nason takes this to full next-to-leading accuracy, and also resums soft logarithms with leading accuracy

$$\sigma_N(Q) = \hat{\sigma}_N(Q, \mu) \exp \left\{ P_N^{(0)} t + \frac{1}{4\pi^2 b_0} (\alpha_S(\mu_0) - \alpha_S(\mu)) \left( P_N^{(1)} - \frac{2\pi b_1}{b_0} P_N^{(0)} \right) \right\} \hat{D}_N^{(1)}(\mu_0, m)$$

**Perturbatively calculable** initial condition  
(or fragmentation function) : pFF

$$\hat{D}^{(1)}(x, \mu, m) = \delta(1-x) + \frac{\alpha_S C_F}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1+x^2}{1-x} \left( \log \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} - 2 \log(1-x) - 1 \right) \right]_+$$


Overall accuracy: **NLO** + **NLL<sub>coll</sub>** + **LL<sub>soft</sub>**

The factorised picture introduced by Male and Nason means that the **universal and calculable perturbative initial condition** and its DGLAP evolution can be used to obtain heavy quark production cross sections and resum large collinear  $\log(Q/m)$  terms in photon and hadron collisions using only massless coefficient functions

$$d\sigma_Q(p_T) \sim d\hat{\sigma}_j(p_T, \mu_F) \otimes \underline{E_{ij}(\mu_F, \mu_{0F})} \otimes \underline{D_{j \rightarrow Q}(m, \mu_{0F})}$$

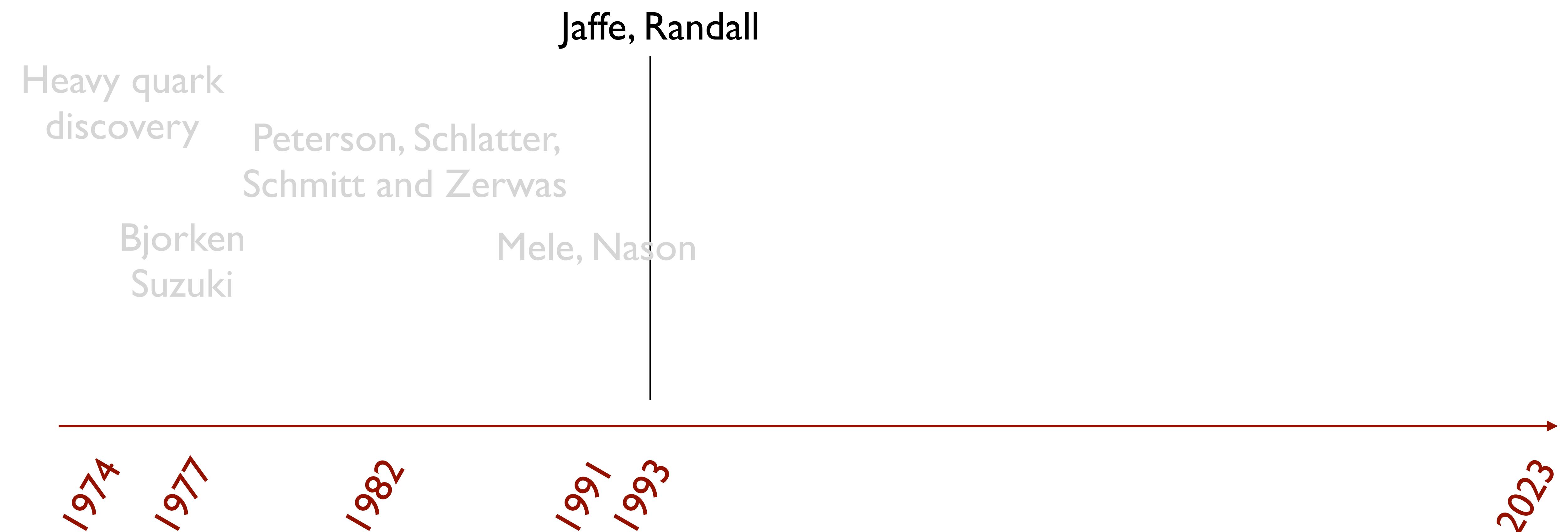
Coefficient  
functions

DGLAP  
evolution  
(MELA)

Initial conditions  
(Decay functions)  
(Fragmentation functions)

First used in MC, Greco '93 to calculate large- $p_T$  production of heavy quarks in  $pp$  collisions

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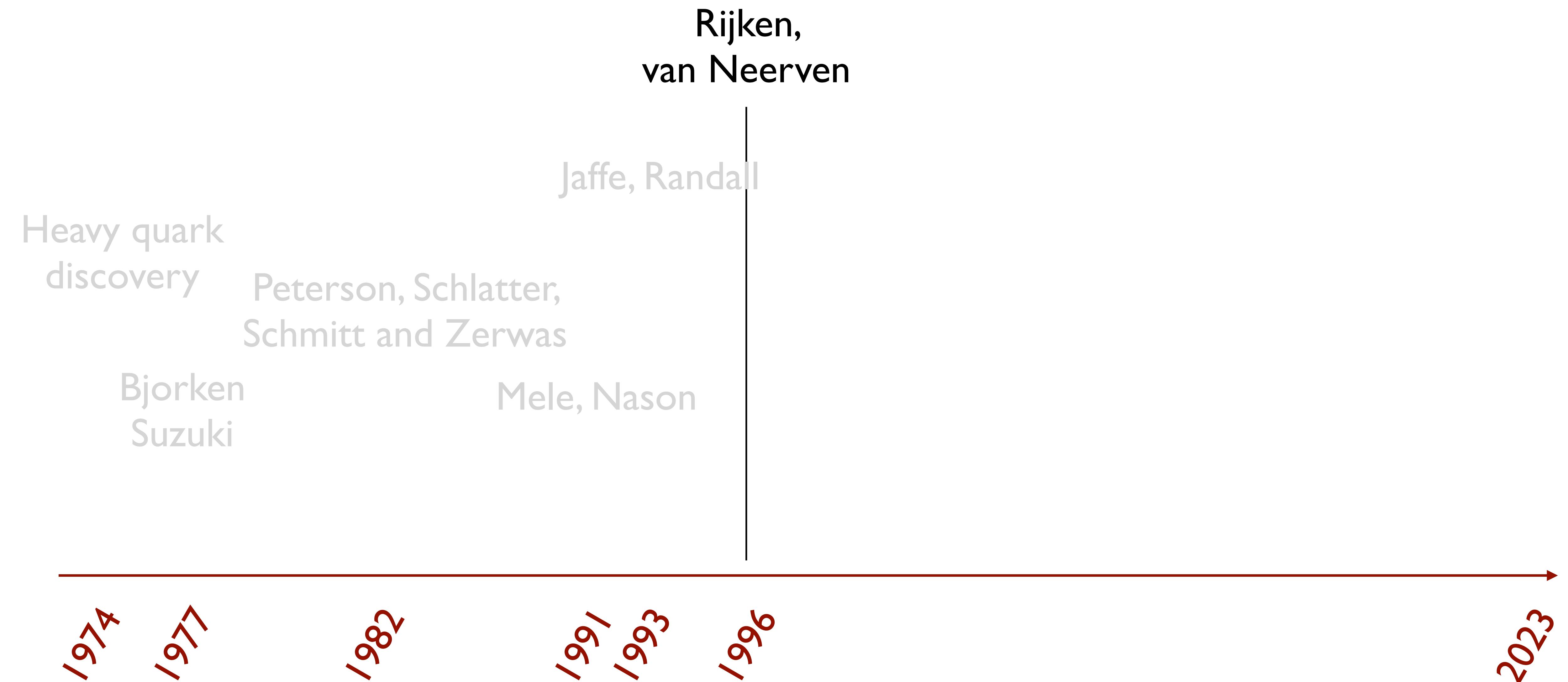
Analyse heavy quark fragmentation in e+e- collisions using HQET, obtaining a boundary condition containing also a parameterisation of non-perturbative effects

$$D_{Q \rightarrow H_Q}(z, \mu_0 \sim m) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \hat{a} \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left( \frac{1}{z} - \frac{m}{M} \right) \right] + \hat{b} \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left( \frac{1}{z} - \frac{m}{M} \right) \right]$$

with  $\epsilon = 1 - m/M$

This form means that the fragmentation function at the mass scale shrinks **linearly** in 1/M towards z=1, consistently with Bjorken and Suzuki's argument

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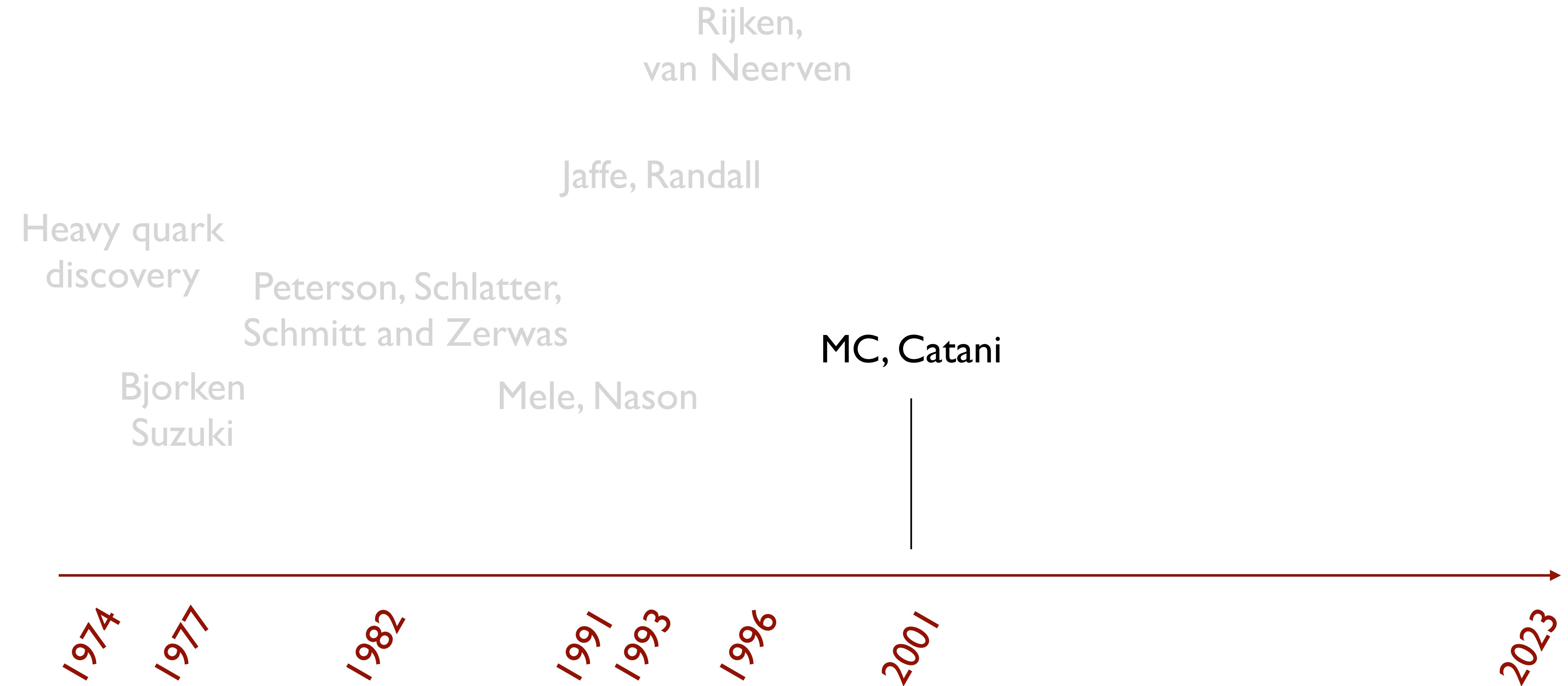


# NNLO massless coefficient functions for fragmentation in e+e- collisions

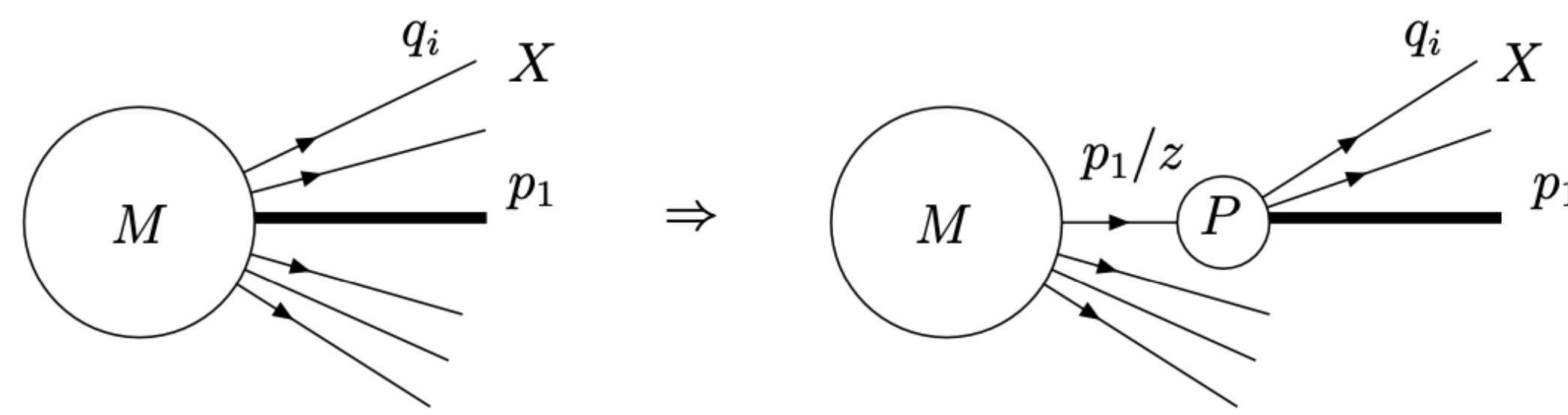
$$\frac{d\sigma_k^H}{dx} = \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \left[ \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{(0)}(Q^2) \left\{ D_S^H \left( \frac{x}{z}, M^2 \right) C_{k,q}^S(z, Q^2/M^2) + D_g^H \left( \frac{x}{z}, M^2 \right) \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \cdot C_{k,g}^S(z, Q^2/M^2) \right\} + \sum_{p=1}^{n_f} \sigma_p^{(0)}(Q^2) D_{\text{NS},p}^H \left( \frac{x}{z}, M^2 \right) C_{k,q}^{\text{NS}}(z, Q^2/M^2) \left. \right]$$

# Once upon a time



Direct calculation of universal perturbative initial condition in a process-independent way, resummation of soft logarithms to next-to-leading order



$$|M(p_1, q; \dots)|^2 \simeq |M(p_1/z; \dots)|^2 \frac{4\pi\alpha_S}{p_1 \cdot q} \hat{P} = |M(p_1/z; \dots)|^2 8\pi\alpha_S \frac{z(1-z)}{\mathbf{q}_\perp^2 + (1-z)^2 m^2} \hat{P}$$

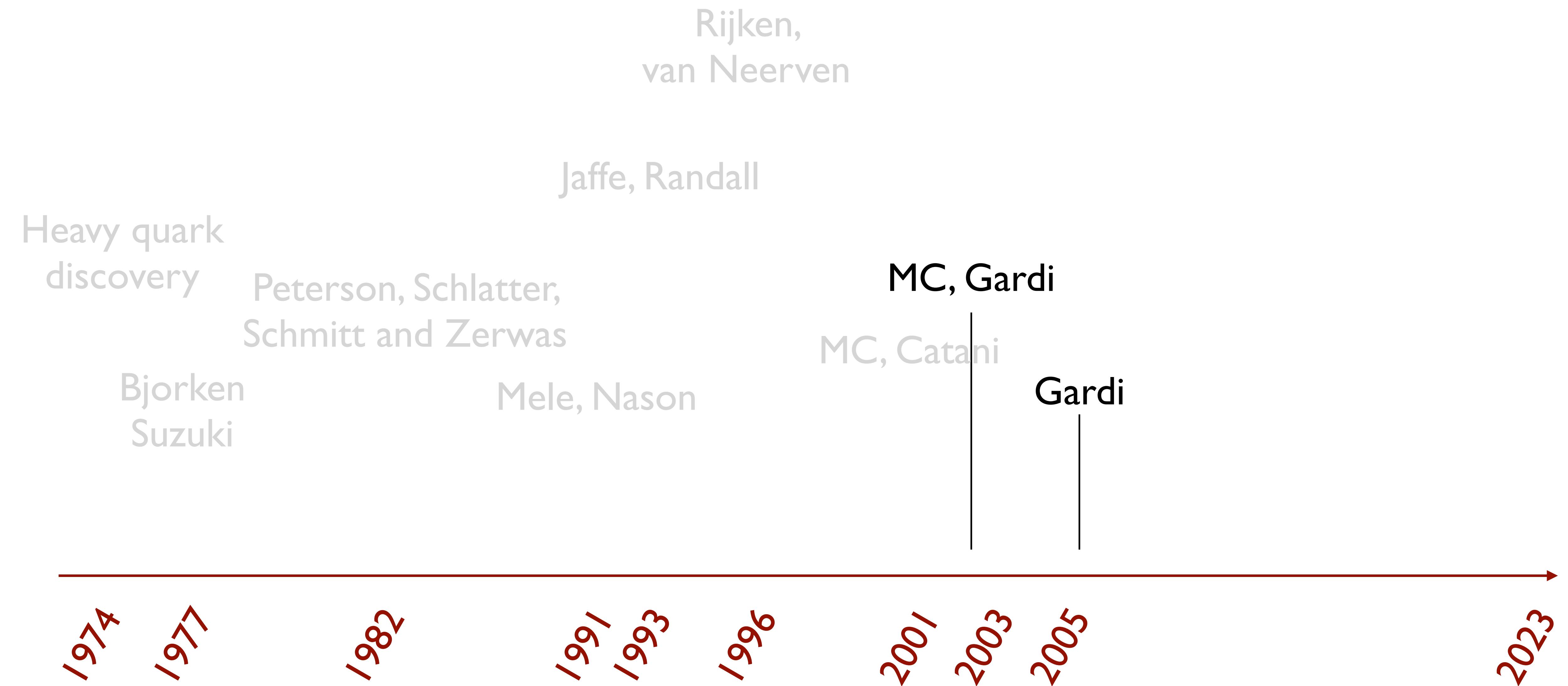
$$\hat{P}_{Qg}(z; m^2/\mathbf{q}_\perp^2) = C_F \left[ \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} - \frac{m^2}{p_1 \cdot q} \right] = C_F \left[ \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} - \frac{2z(1-z)m^2}{\mathbf{q}_\perp^2 + (1-z)^2 m^2} \right]$$

**Massive AP splitting function**

Combined with the soft resummation of the coefficient function, this allows for e+e- heavy quark fragmentation at accuracy

**NLO + NLL<sub>coll</sub> + NLL<sub>soft</sub>**

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Resummation of soft logarithms and of running coupling effects  
in the large- $\beta_0$  limit, in the Dressed Gluon Exponentiation approach

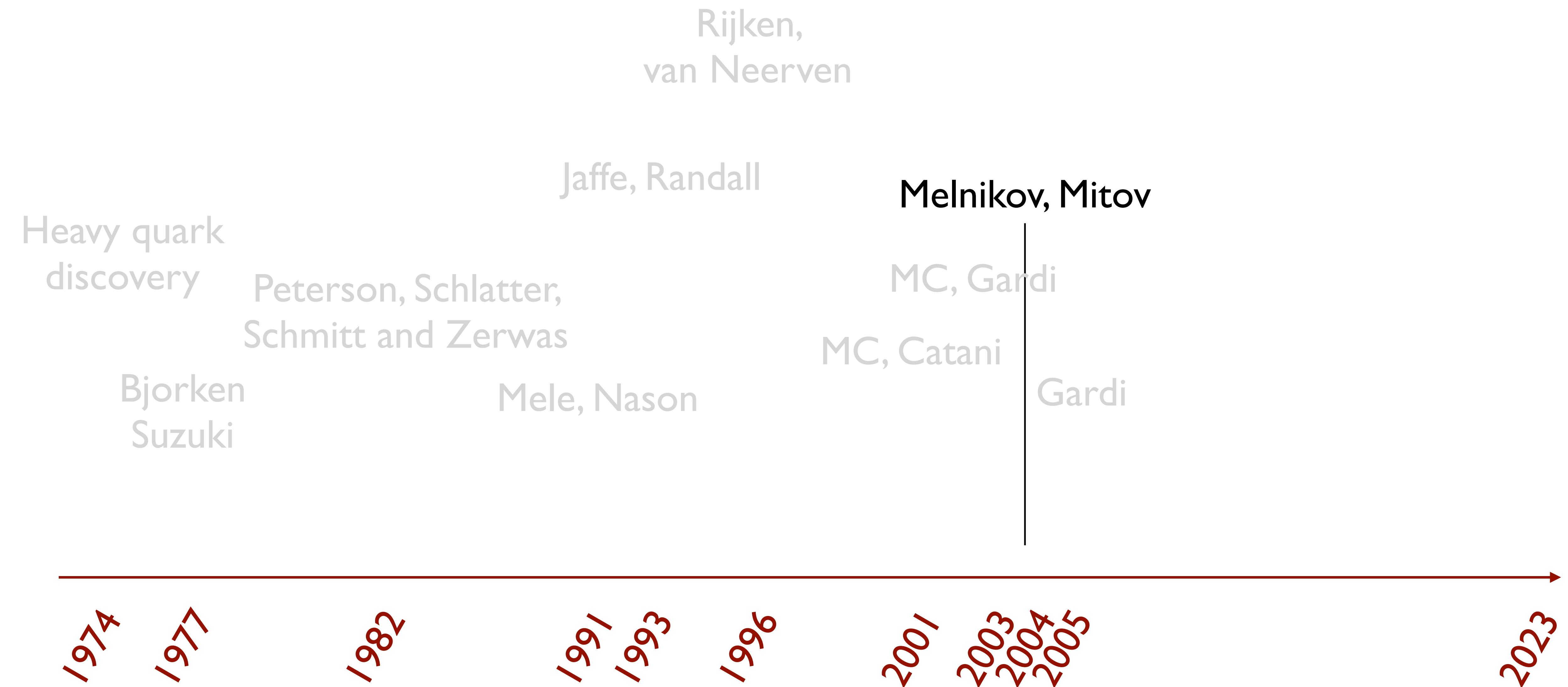
$$\tilde{\sigma}(N, q^2, M^2) \simeq \tilde{\sigma}^{\text{PT}}(N, q^2, m^2) \frac{\tilde{D}_{\{\epsilon_n\}}^{\text{NP}}((N-1)\Lambda/m)}{\tilde{D}_{\{\epsilon_n\}}^{\text{NP}}((N-1)\Lambda/m)}$$

Non-perturbative shape function  
predicted by the renormalon ambiguity

$$\tilde{D}_{\{\epsilon_n\}}^{\text{NP}}((N-1)\Lambda/m) = \exp \left\{ - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \epsilon_n \left( \frac{(N-1)\Lambda}{m} \right)^n \right\}$$

Gardi 2005 extends this to NNLL accuracy for the soft-gluon resummation

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## Calculation of NNLO contribution to perturbative initial condition

$$D_a^{\text{ini}} \left( z, \frac{\mu_0}{m} \right) = \sum_{n=0} \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_0)}{2\pi} \right)^n d_a^{(n)} \left( z, \frac{\mu_0}{m} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_a^{(2)} \left( z, \frac{\mu_0}{m} \right) &= \left[ \frac{P_{ba}^{(0)} \otimes P_{Qb}^{(0)}(z)}{2} + \frac{\beta_0}{2} P_{Qa}^{(0)}(z) \right] \ln^2 \left( \frac{\mu_0^2}{m^2} \right) \\ &+ \left[ P_{Qa}^{(1)}(z) + P_{ba}^{(0)} \otimes d_b^{(1)}(z, 1) + \beta_0 d_a^{(1)}(z, 1) \right] \ln \left( \frac{\mu_0^2}{m^2} \right) + d_a^{(2)}(z, 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$d_a^{(0)}(z) = \delta_{aQ} \delta(1 - z),$$

$$d_{a=Q}^{(1)} \left( z, \frac{\mu_0}{m} \right) = C_F \left[ \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \left( \ln \left( \frac{\mu_0^2}{m^2(1-z)^2} \right) - 1 \right) \right]_+$$

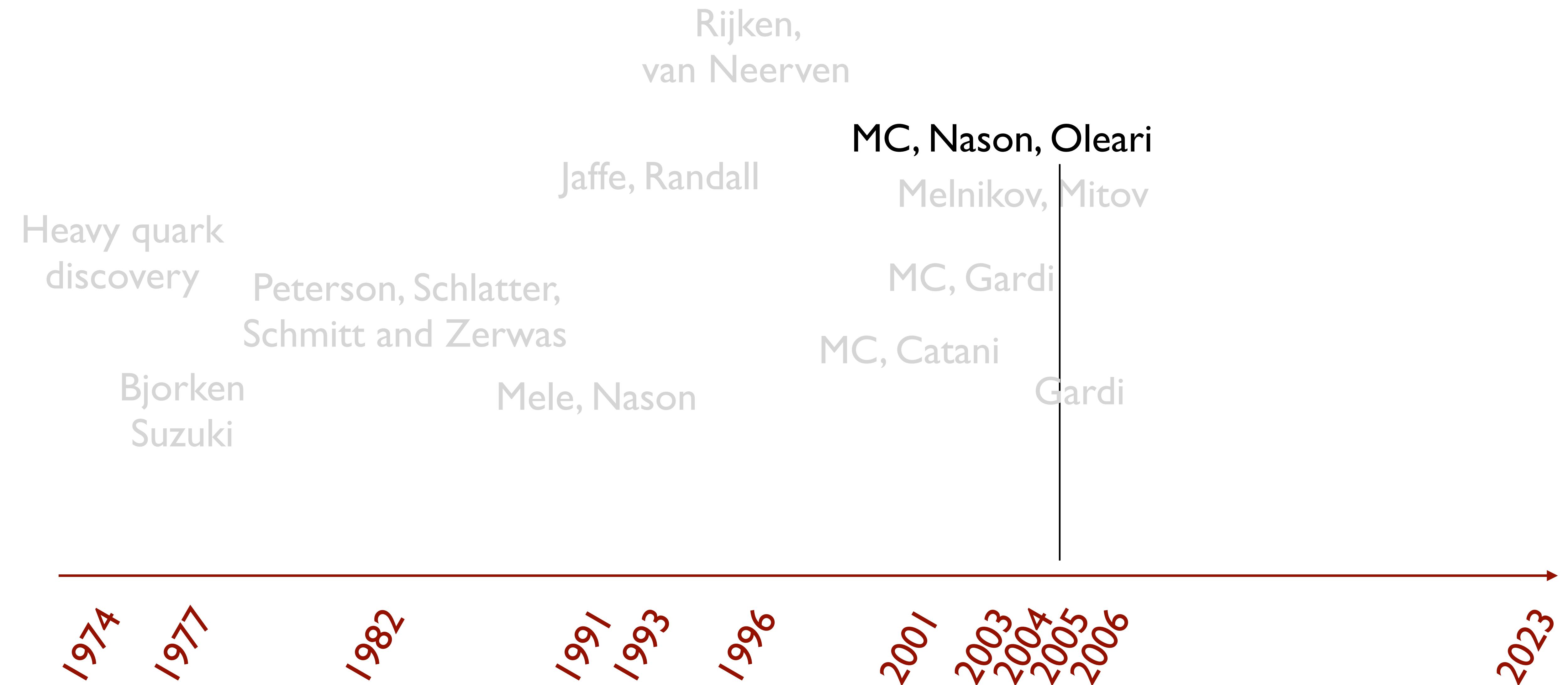
$$d_{a=g}^{(1)} \left( z, \frac{\mu_0}{m} \right) = T_R (z^2 + (1-z)^2) \ln \left( \frac{\mu_0^2}{m^2} \right),$$

$$d_{a \neq Q, g}^{(1)} \left( z, \frac{\mu_0}{m} \right) = 0,$$

NLO contributions  
from Mele-Nason

$d_a^{(2)}(z, 1)$  calculated and given in paper, marvellous result which this margin is too narrow to contain

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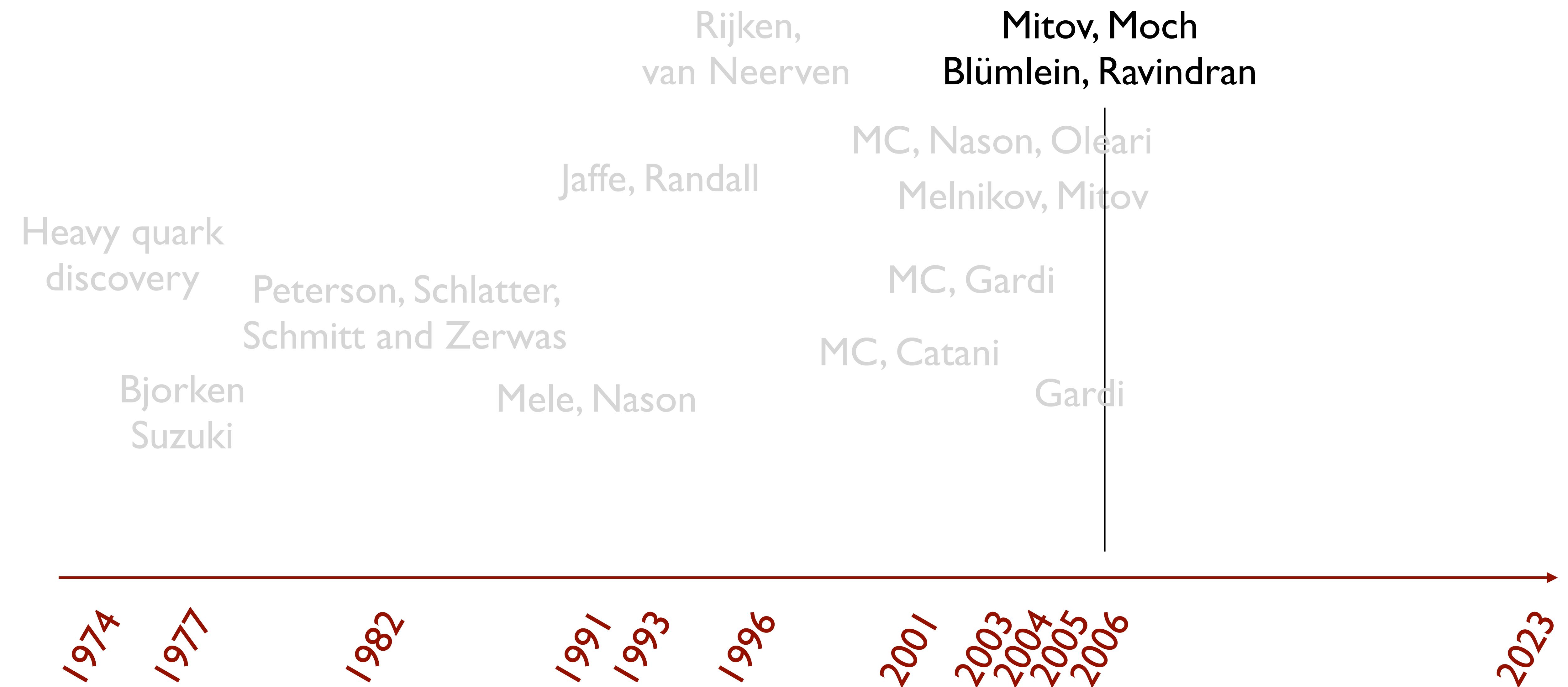
A significant milestone (at the NLO+NLL level) of the approach bootstrapped by the 1991 Mele-Nason paper, allowing for a maximally perturbative description of heavy quark production in  $e^+e^-$  collisions (i.e. added non-perturbative corrections are of order  $\Lambda/m$ )

Now including:

- Full mixings with gluons and light flavours in NLL DGLAP evolution
- NLL soft resummation, regularised in a sensible way to avoid the Landau pole
- Deconvolution of electromagnetic initial state radiation
- Analytical modelling of electroweak decays of D mesons
- Non-perturbative fragmentation functions fitted to data

→ good description of CLEO/BELLE and LEP data, up to one puzzling issue

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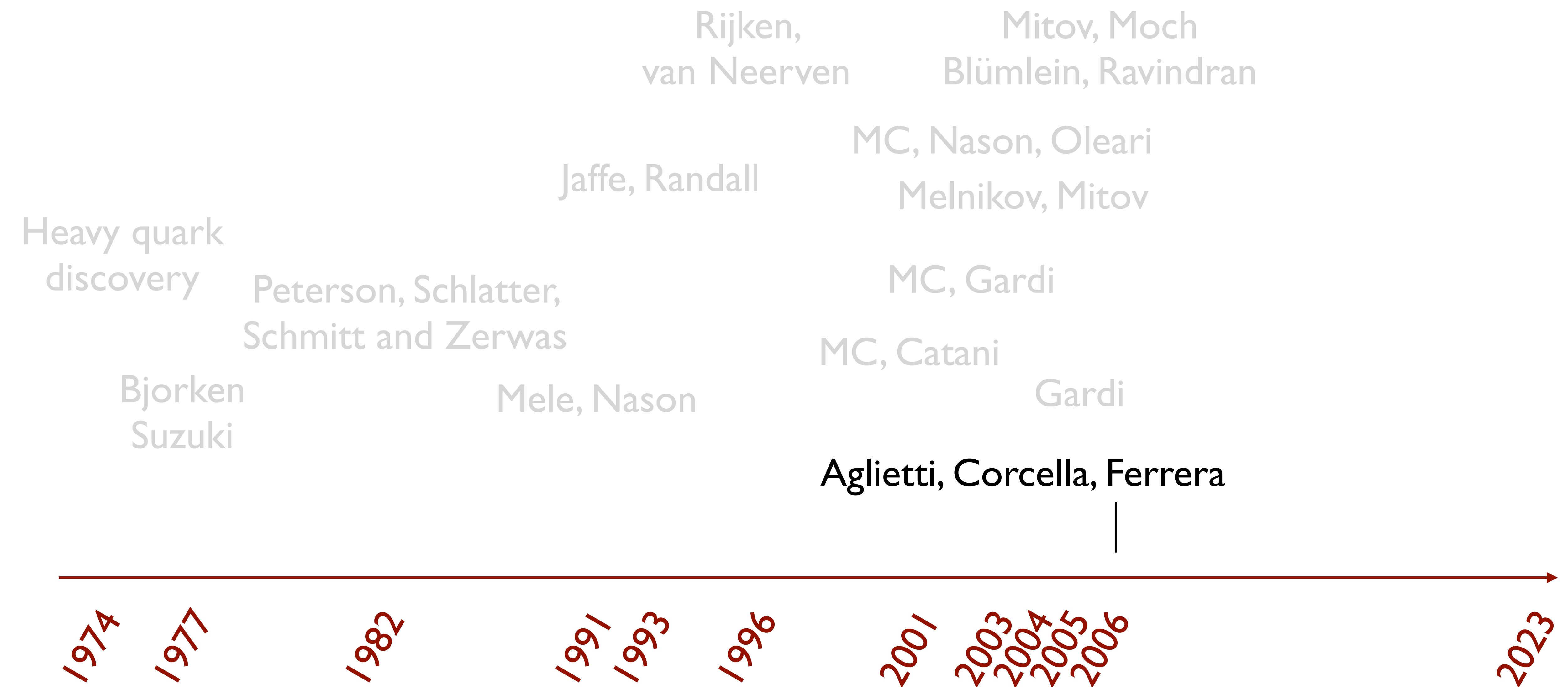


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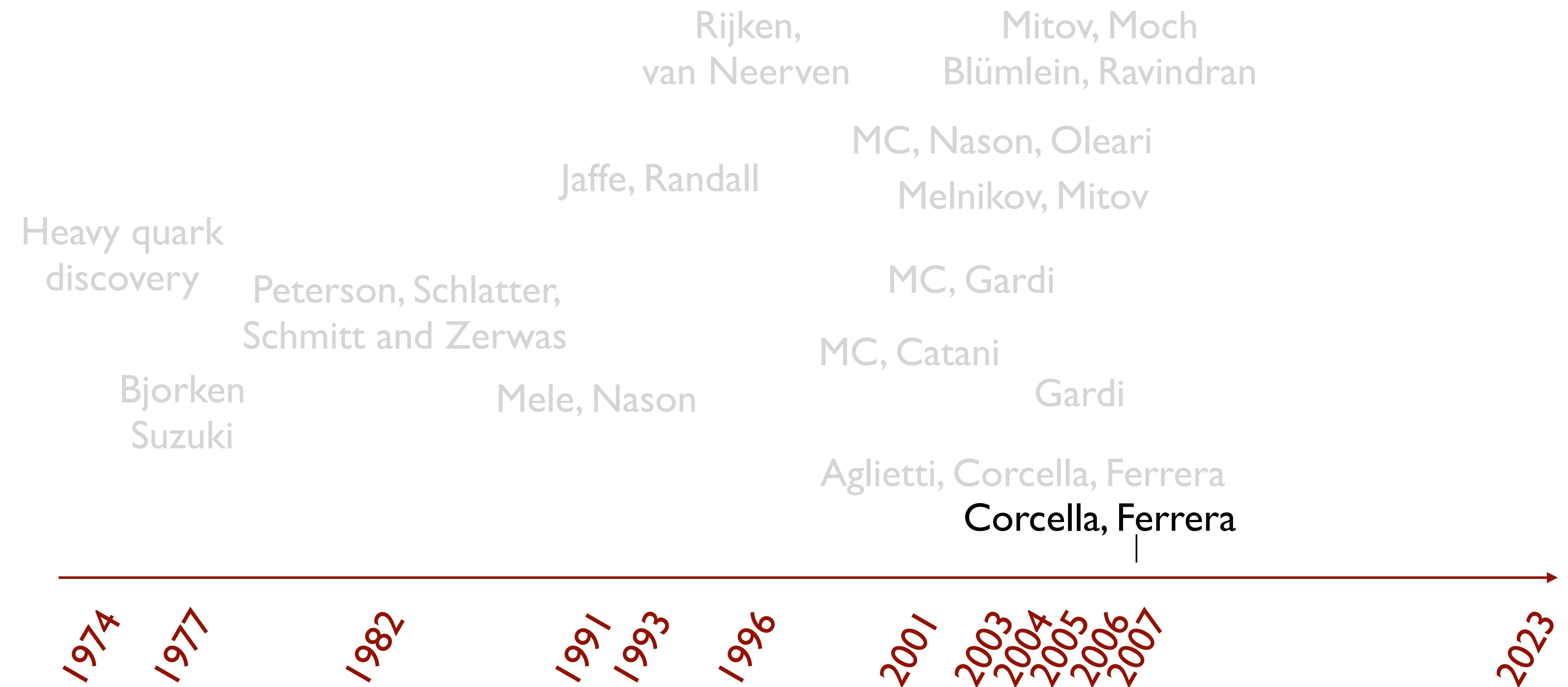
- Recalculation in Mellin space (MM)
- Calculation of Mellin moments from RvN results (BR)

Since 2006, all ingredients available for NNLO+NNLL analysis of e+e- fragmentation in Mellin moments space

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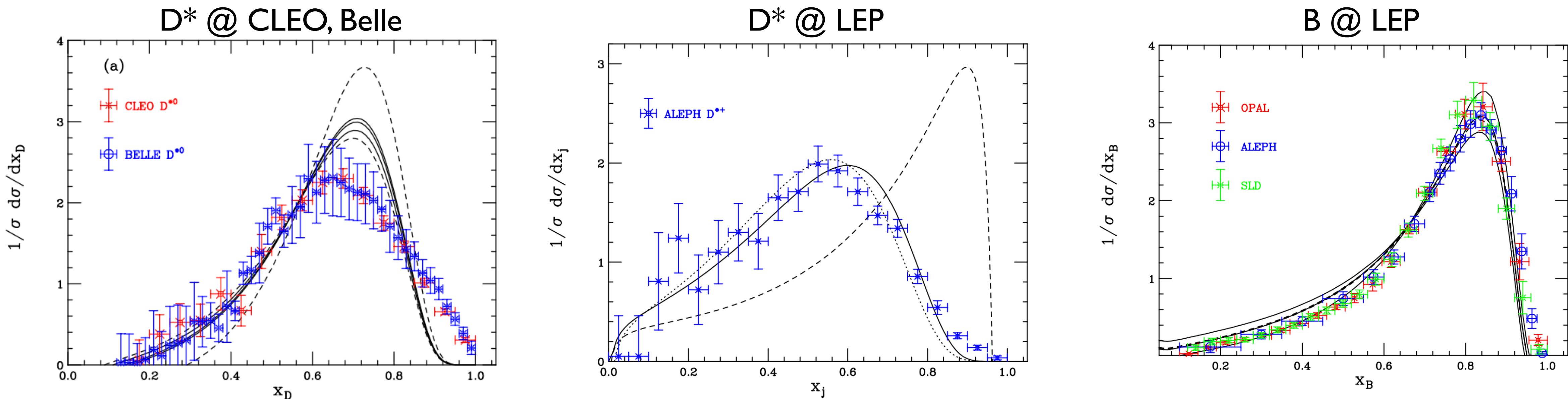
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# Aglietti, Corcella, Ferrera, 2006+2007

- NNLL soft resummation of initial condition
- Inclusion of non-perturbative power corrections via an effecting strong coupling constant

$$\tilde{\alpha}_S(k^2) = \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_0^{k^2} ds \text{ Disc}_s \frac{\bar{\alpha}_S(-s)}{s}$$



Model works well for  $D^*$  and  $B$  at LEP. Not so much for  $D$  and  $D^*$  at CLEO, Belle

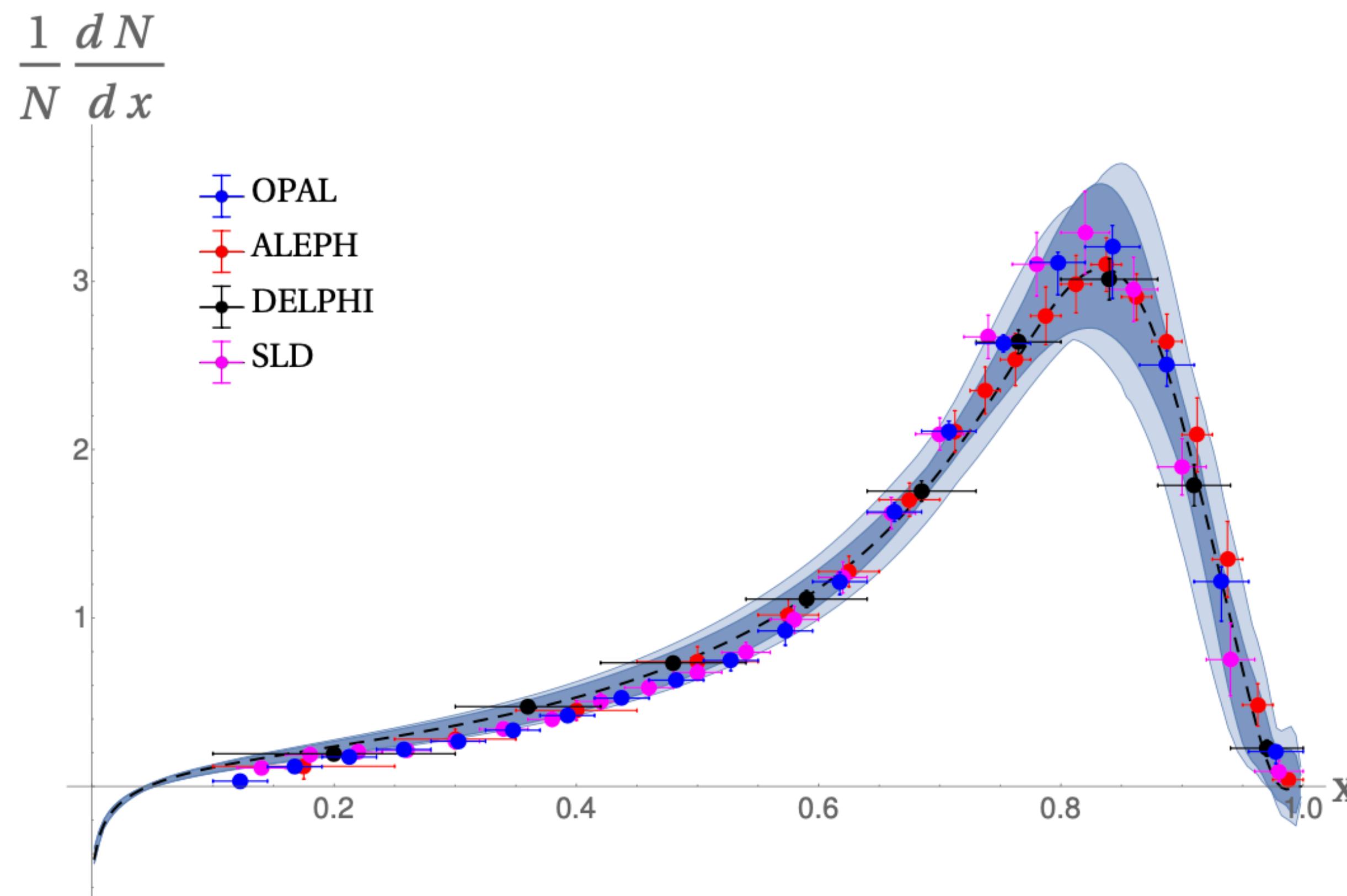
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## Heavy quark fragmentation function in e+e- collisions to NNLO+NNNLL using SCET and bHQET



Good fits to B fragmentation  
data in e+e- collisions

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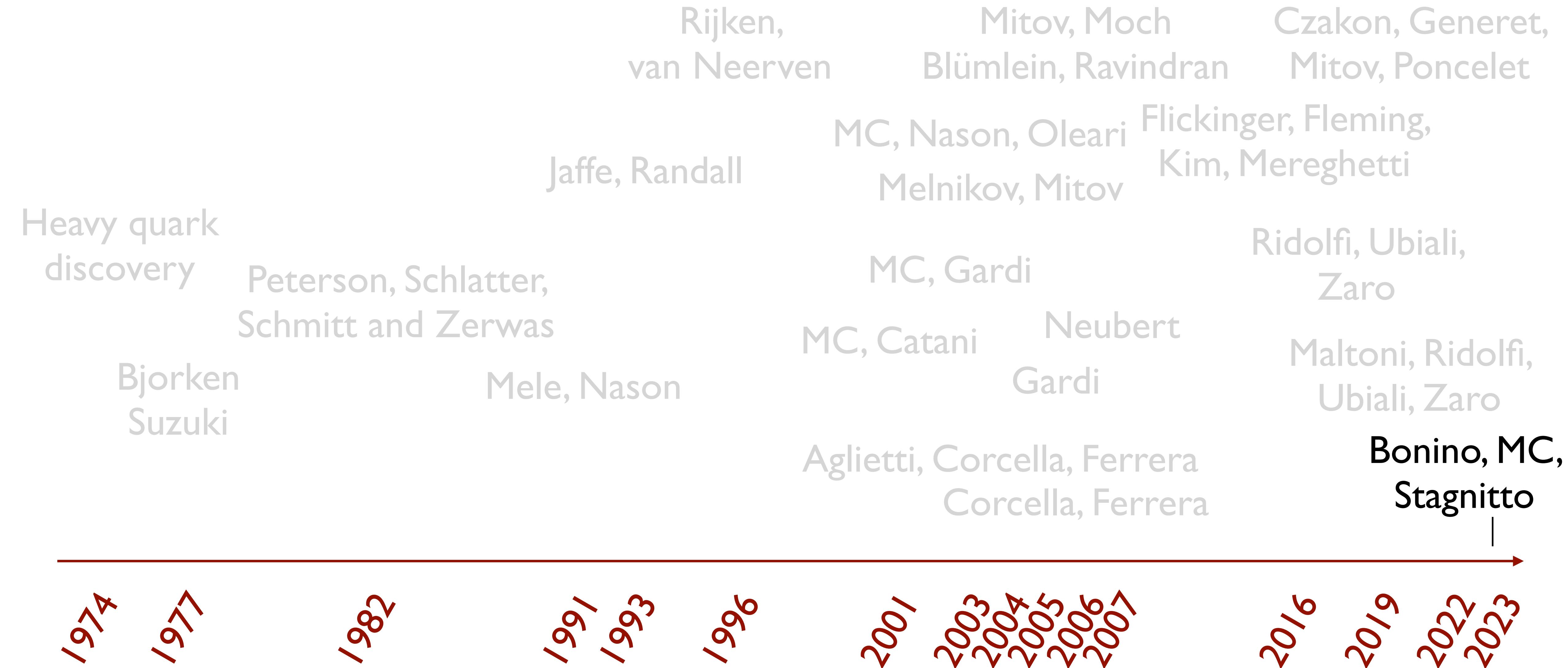
- Calculation and implementation of Mellin transforms of NNLO initial conditions from Melnikov-Mitov 2004
- NNLL collinear evolution
- Calculation of NNLL soft-resummation of initial condition

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See next talk

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# Putting it all together

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$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma, Z \rightarrow H_Q + X$$

- Up to NNLO coefficient function
- Up to NNLO initial condition (= decay function = pFF = FF = ...)
- Up to NNLL collinear resummation
- Up to NNLL soft resummation → matching to fixed order
  - Landau pole regularisations
- Phenomenological non-perturbative fragmentation functions
- Modular and (eventually) public C++ library
  - Mellin moments and x-space results
  - Fits to experimental data

# The cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma_H}{dx}(x, \sqrt{s}) \simeq \frac{d\sigma_Q}{dx}(x, \sqrt{s}, m) \otimes D_{Q \rightarrow H}^{np}(x, \{\text{params}\})$$

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Perturbative  
(with resummations)

Non-perturbative

Moments or x-space distribution

$$\sigma_Q(\sqrt{s}, m) = \hat{\sigma}_i(\sqrt{s}, \mu_F, \mu_R) \otimes E_{ij}(\mu_F, \mu_{F0}) \otimes D_{j \rightarrow Q}(m, \mu_{F0}, \mu_{R0})$$

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Coefficient  
functions

DGLAP  
evolution  
(MELA)

Initial conditions  
(Decay functions)  
(Fragmentation functions)

Thanks to Moch, De Florian, Maltoni, Ridolfi, Ubiali, Zaro, for providing Fortran implementations of the NNLO coefficient functions and initial conditions

The components of  $\sigma_Q$ , the **coefficient functions**  $\hat{\sigma}_i$  and the **initial conditions**  $D_{j \rightarrow Q}$ , are calculated to a given **perturbative order**, with or without **soft resummation matched** to the fixed order, with or without **Landau pole regularisation**

$$\sigma_Q^{fo+res,match,reg}(\cdot, \sqrt{s}, \mu_R, \mu_F, \mu_{0R}, \mu_{0F}, m)$$

The final result also has residual factorisation and renormalisation scale dependence

Additive

$$D_{i \rightarrow Q}^{fo+res \text{ add reg}} = D_{i \rightarrow Q}^{fo} + D_{i \rightarrow Q}^{res,reg} - [D_{i \rightarrow Q}^{res(,reg)}] \alpha_s^p$$

log-R

$$\log D_{i \rightarrow Q}^{fo+res \text{ logR reg}} = \log D_{i \rightarrow Q}^{fo} + \log D_{i \rightarrow Q}^{res,reg} - [\log D_{i \rightarrow Q}^{res(,reg)}] \alpha_s^p$$

Moments of soft-resummed coefficient functions and initial conditions have poles respectively at

$$N^L = \exp\left(\frac{1}{b_0\alpha_s(\mu^2)}\right) \quad \text{and} \quad N_0^L = \exp\left(\frac{1}{2b_0\alpha_s(\mu_0^2)}\right)$$

~ 7 for charm  
~ 30 for bottom

- Signal of onset of non-perturbative physics
- Perturbative moments unphysical beyond the Landau poles
- x-space distributions (with Minimal Prescription) highly irregular near  $x=1$

# Landau pole regularisation

An ad hoc regularisation allows one to make the resummed moments better behaved, i.e. more physical-looking (though not necessarily more physical or “accurate”)

**CNO**

MC, Oleari, Nason 05

$$N \rightarrow N \frac{1 + f/N_0^L}{1 + fN/N_0^L}$$

Rescale  $N$  so as to shift the pole to higher moments

$$D_{i \rightarrow Q}^{fo+res,match, \text{CNO}(f)}$$

**CGMP**

Czakon, Generet, Mitov, Poncelet 23

$$\begin{aligned} & \exp \left[ \ln N g_0^{(1)}(\lambda_0) + g_0^{(2)}(\lambda_0) + \alpha_s g_0^{(3)}(\lambda_0) \right] \\ & \simeq g_2^{(1)} \alpha_s \ln^2(N) + g_3^{(1)} \alpha_s^2 \ln^3(N) + g_4^{(1)} \alpha_s^3 \ln^4(N) + g_5^{(1)} \alpha_s^4 \ln^5(N) + g_6^{(1)} \alpha_s^5 \ln^6(N) \\ & + g_1^{(2)} \alpha_s \ln(N) + g_2^{(2)} \alpha_s^2 \ln^2(N) + g_3^{(2)} \alpha_s^3 \ln^3(N) + g_4^{(2)} \alpha_s^4 \ln^4(N) \\ & + g_1^{(3)} \alpha_s^2 \ln(N) + g_2^{(3)} \alpha_s^3 \ln^2(N). \end{aligned}$$

Expand and truncate the Sudakov exponential

$$D_{i \rightarrow Q}^{fo+res,match, \text{CGMP}}$$

# The (as yet nameless) code

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Calculate the N=2 moment of the bottom fragmentation function in e+e- at 91.2 GeV to NNLO+NNLL, with log-R matching and CNO Landau pole regularisation

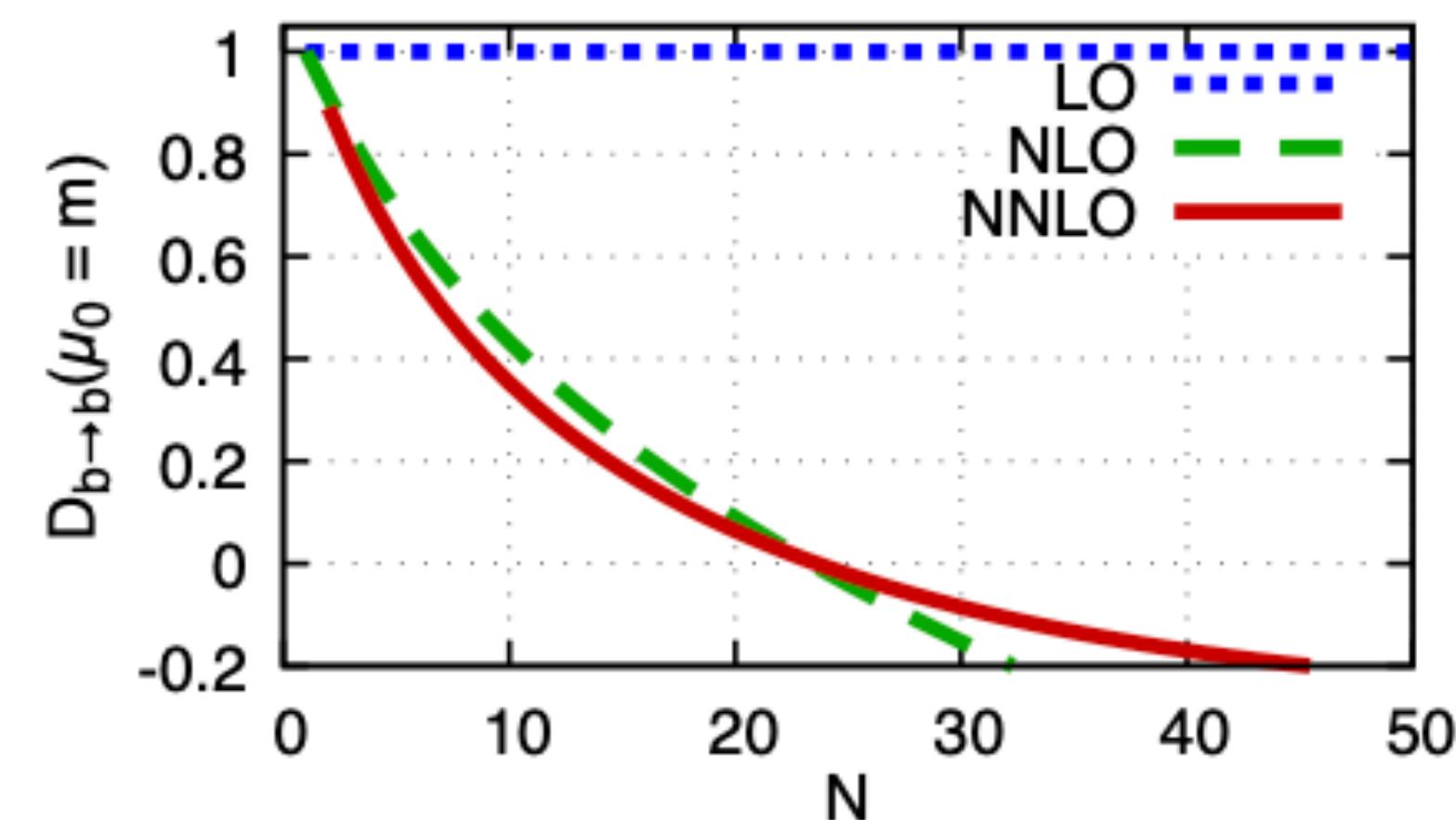
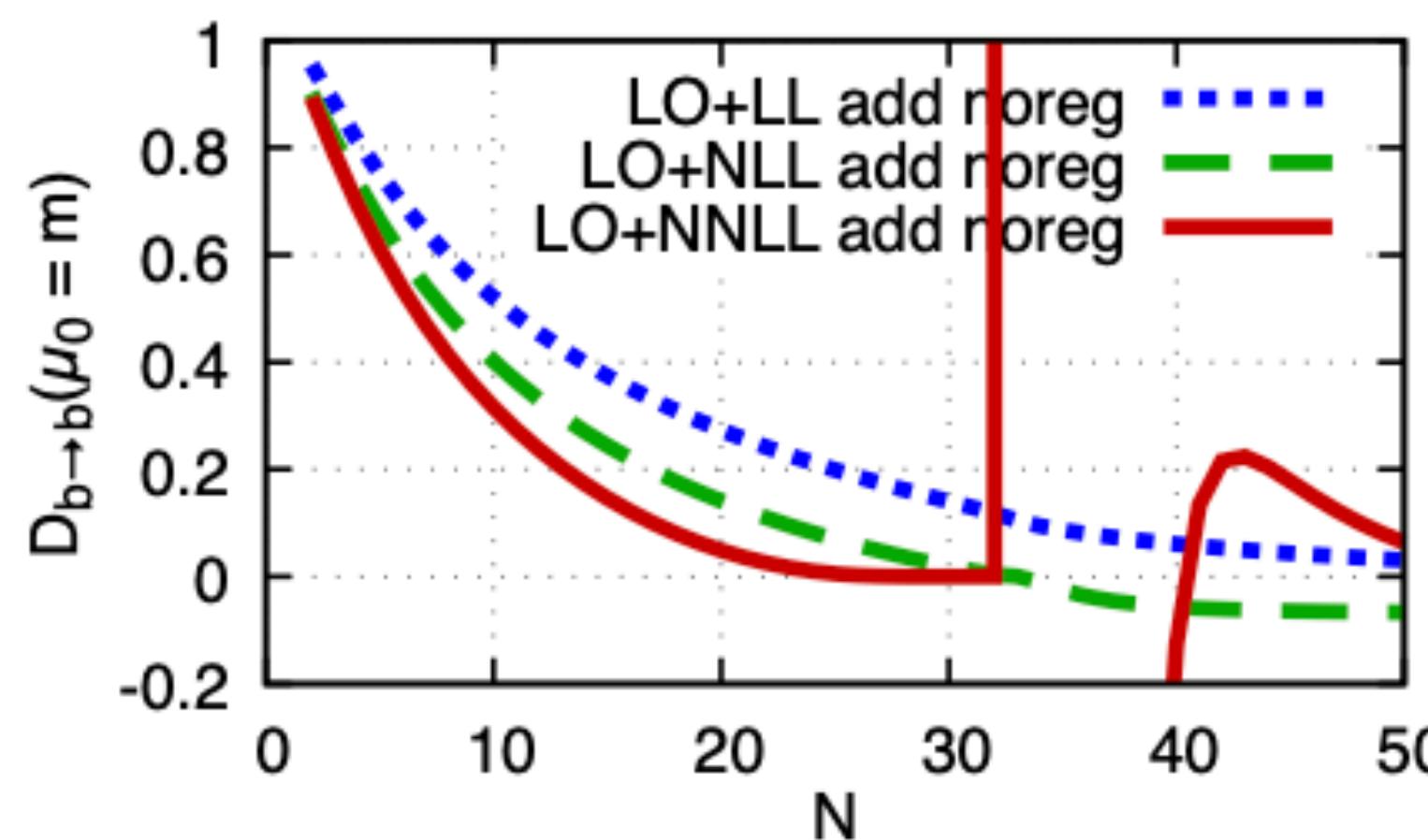
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> ./ffexe -bottom -n 2 -Q 91.2 -m 4.75 -NNLO -NNLL -logR -CNO
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# bottom fragmentation function at 91.2, calculated with e+e- CoefficientFunction at NNLO with NNLL soft resummation (with log-R matching and CNO(f=1.25) Landau pole regularisation) in the nf-flavours (including the heavy quark) scheme with nf = 5 flavours, using the photon-only bottom L0 EW cross section (normalised to the bottom L0 EW cross section and QCD corrections to NNLO, with massless heavy quark thresholds), calculated with hard scale = 91.2, muR = 91.2, muF = 91.2, alphas(muR) = 0.118 evolved using MELA evolution (TRN solution) to NNLO in the VFNS scheme [with max 5 flavours and thresholds at 1.5, 4.75, 1e+10], using alphas_ref(Qref=91.2) = 0.118 -----, InitialCondition for bottom quark at NNLO with NNLL soft resummation (with log-R matching and CNO(f=1.25) Landau pole regularisation) in the nl-flavours (nl=nf-1, light flavours only) scheme with nf = 5 flavours, calculated with hard scale = 4.75, muR = 4.75, muF = 4.75, alphas(muR) = 0.21593775 evolved using MELA evolution (TRN solution) to NNLO in the VFNS scheme [with max 5 flavours and thresholds at 1.5, 4.75, 1e+10], using alphas_ref(Qref=91.2) = 0.118 [VFNS coupling corrected to FFNS near threshold using full FFNS evolution from alphas_VFNS(m)] -----, evolved with MELA evolution (TRN solution) to NNLO in the VFNS scheme [with max 5 flavours and thresholds at 1.5, 4.75, 1e+10], using alphas_ref(Qref=91.2) = 0.118, initial scale = 4.75 [alphas = 0.215938], final scale = 91.2 [alphas = 0.118]
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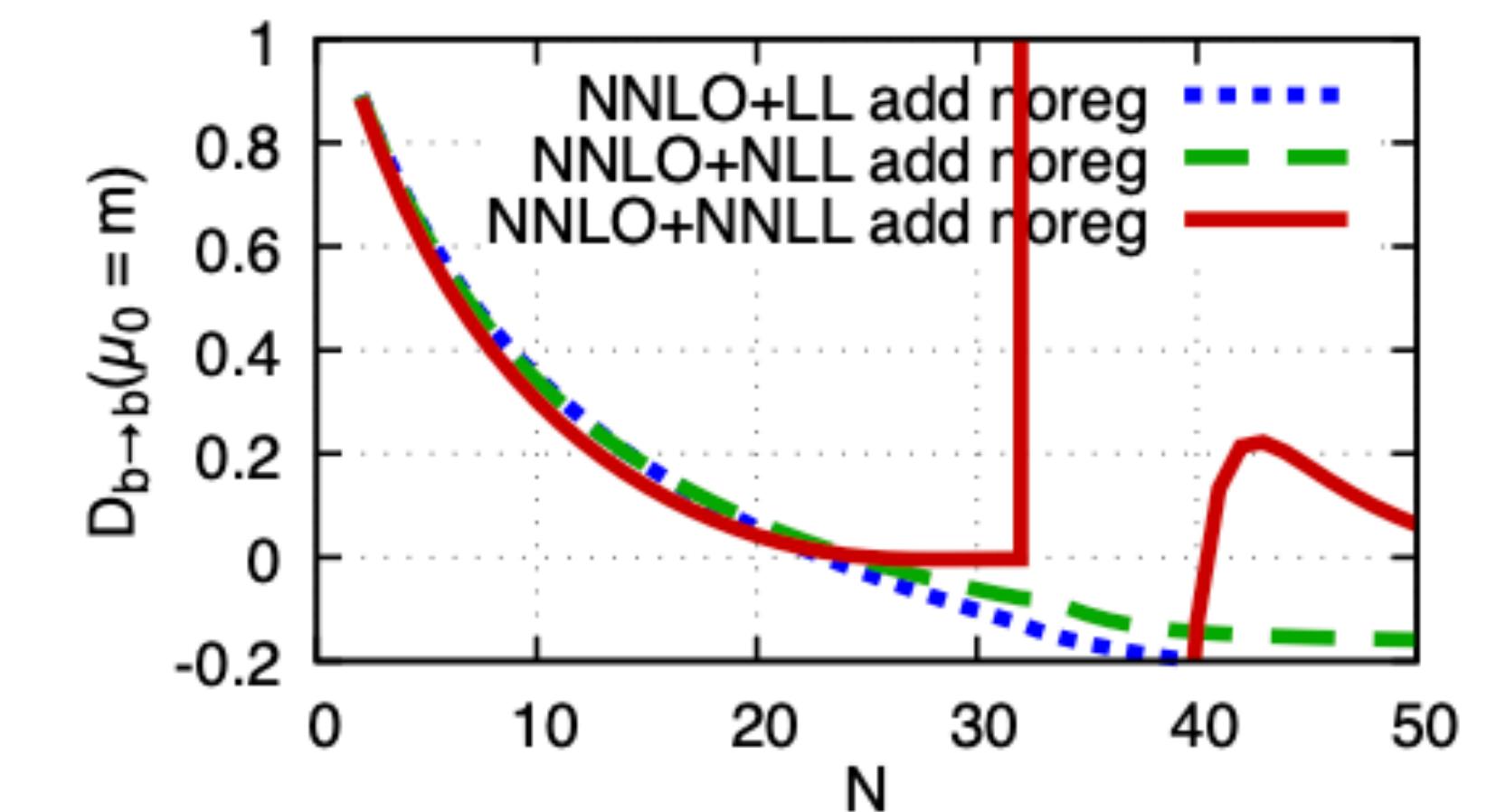
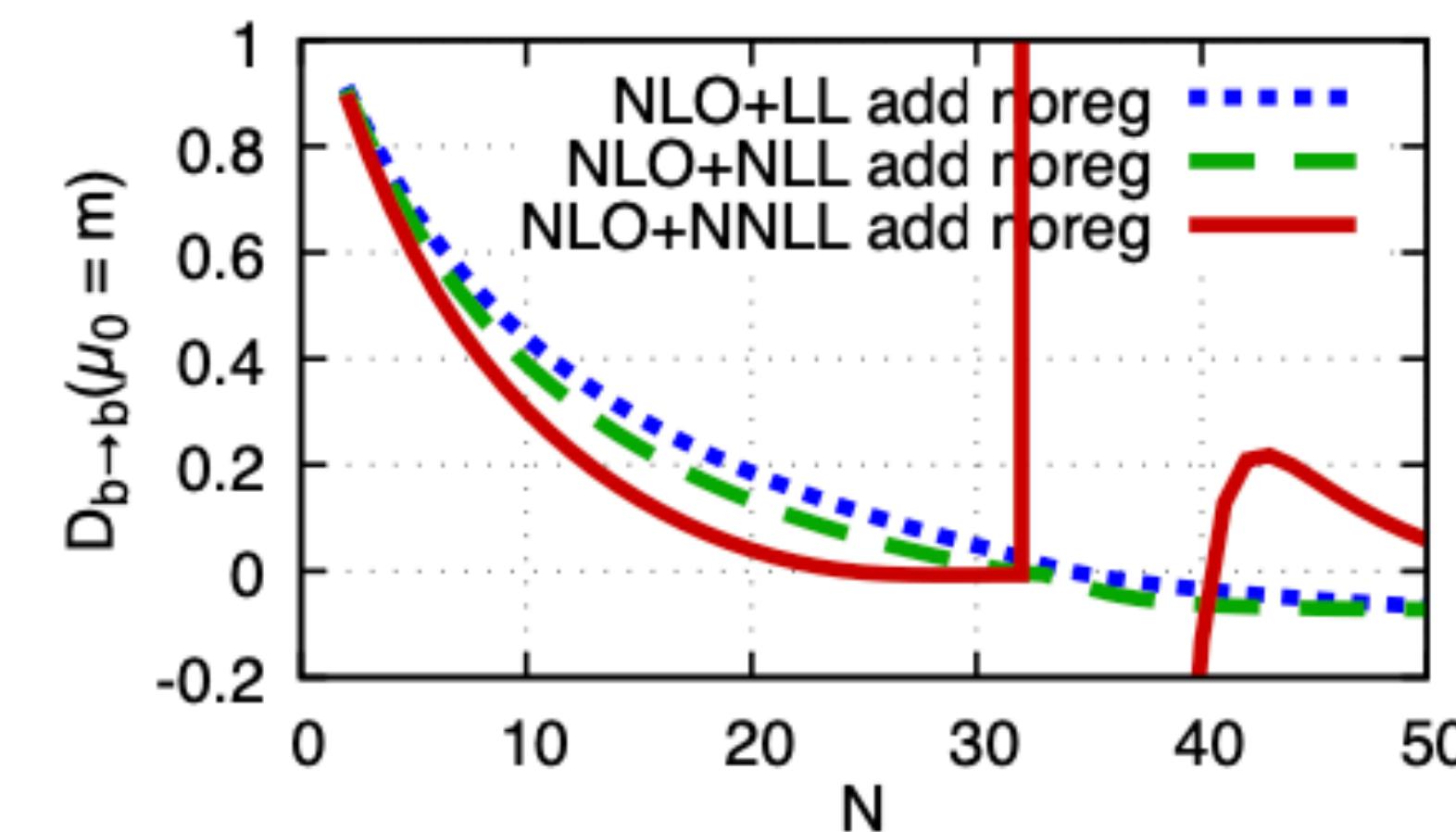
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# Bottom initial condition

**bottom initial condition,  $m=4.75 \text{ GeV}$**   
 $\mu_0 = \mu_{0R} = \mu_{0F} = m$   
 $\alpha_S(Q=91.2 \text{ GeV}) = 0.118$   
 $\alpha_S(m) = 0.21593775$



Fixed order



Additive matching, no Landau pole regularisation

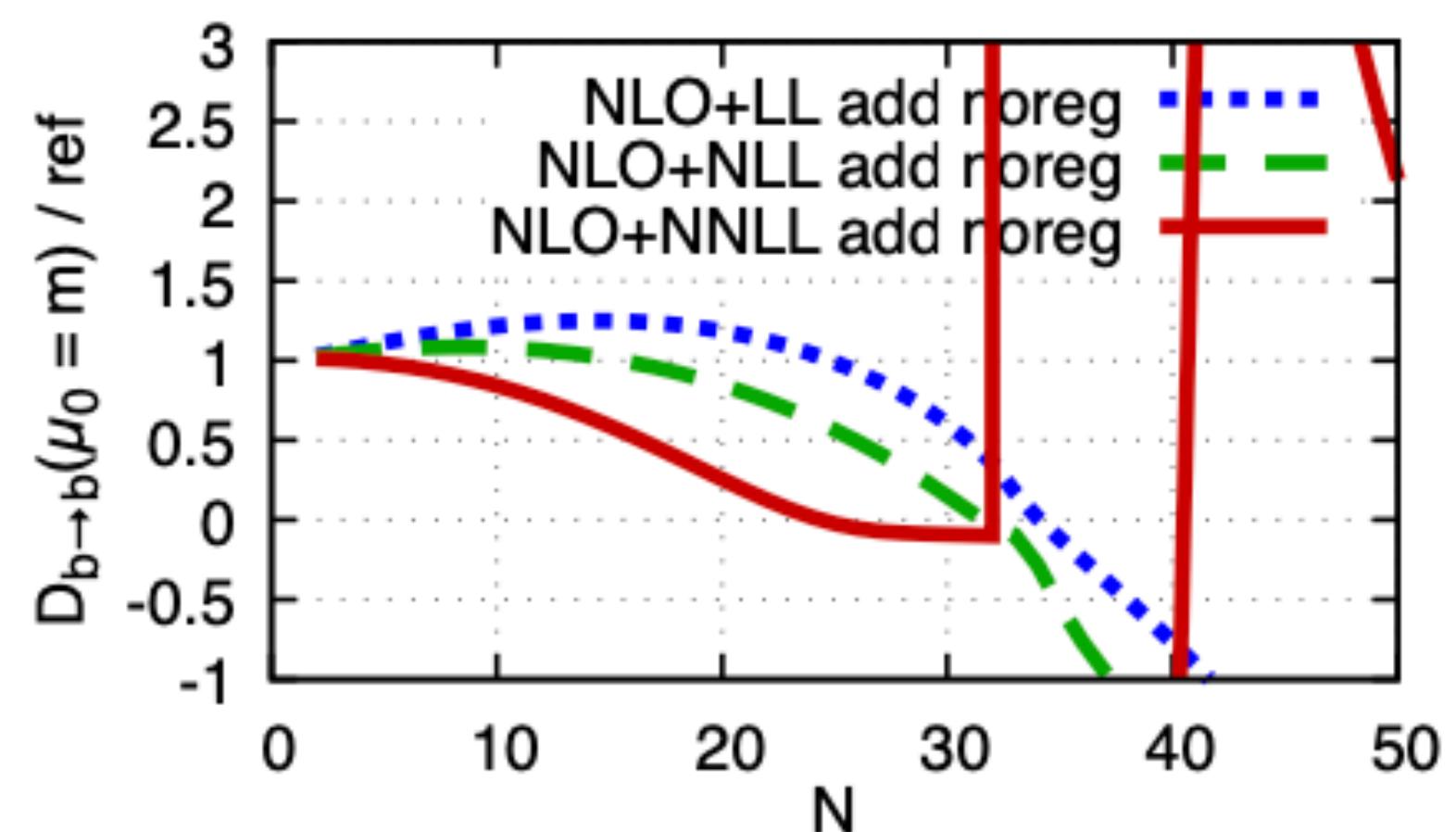
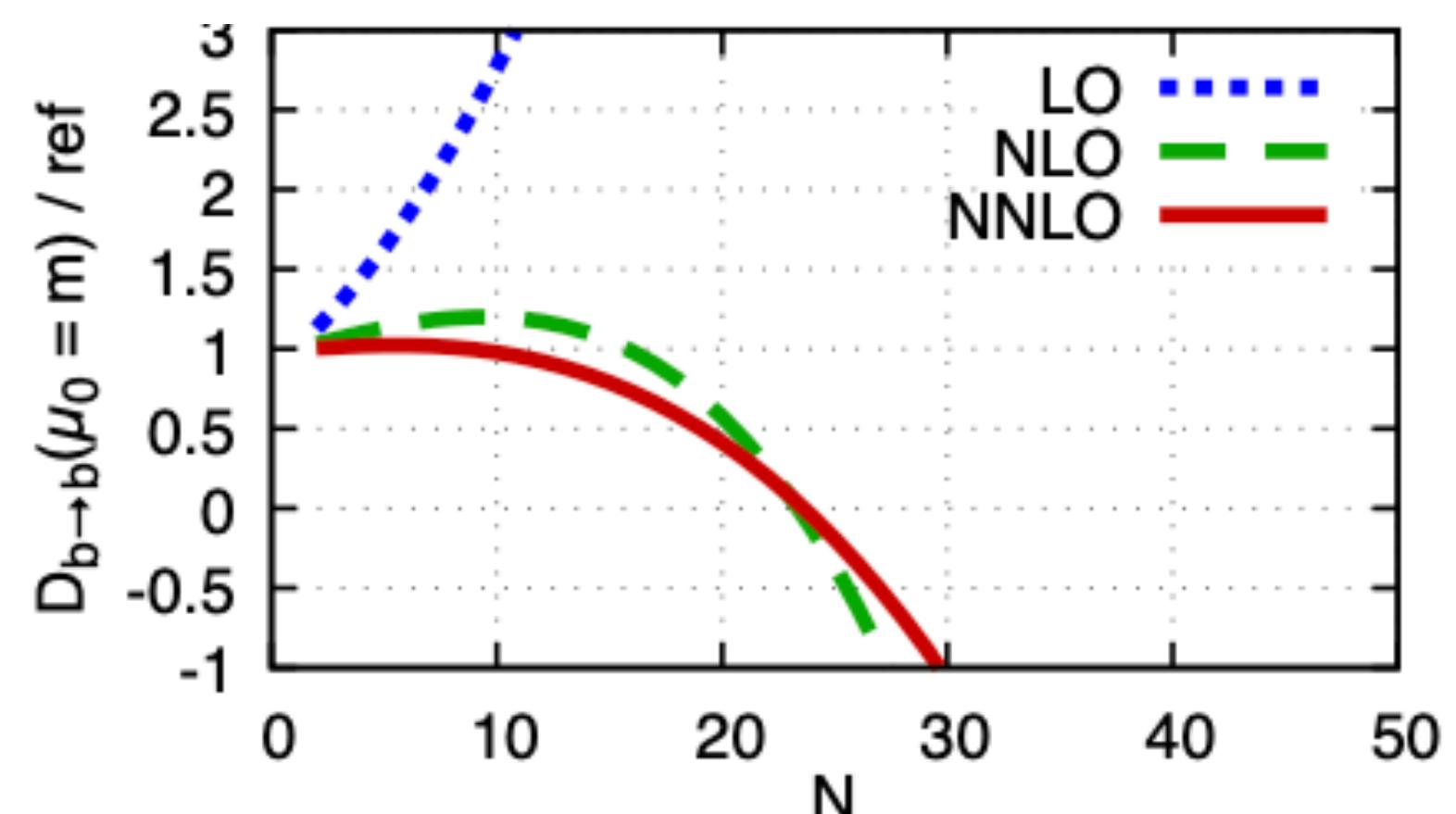
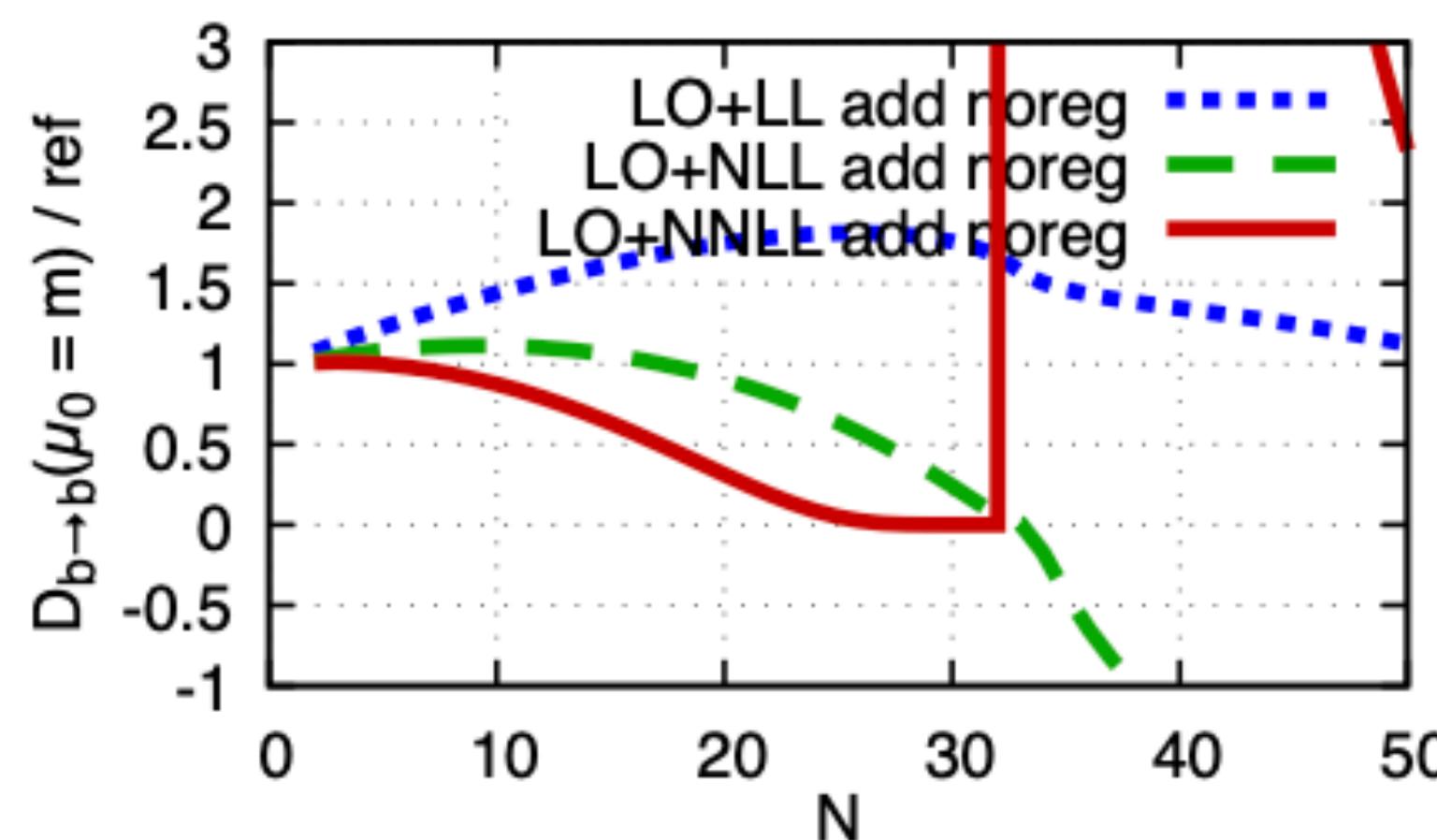
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bottom initial condition,  $m=4.75 \text{ GeV}$

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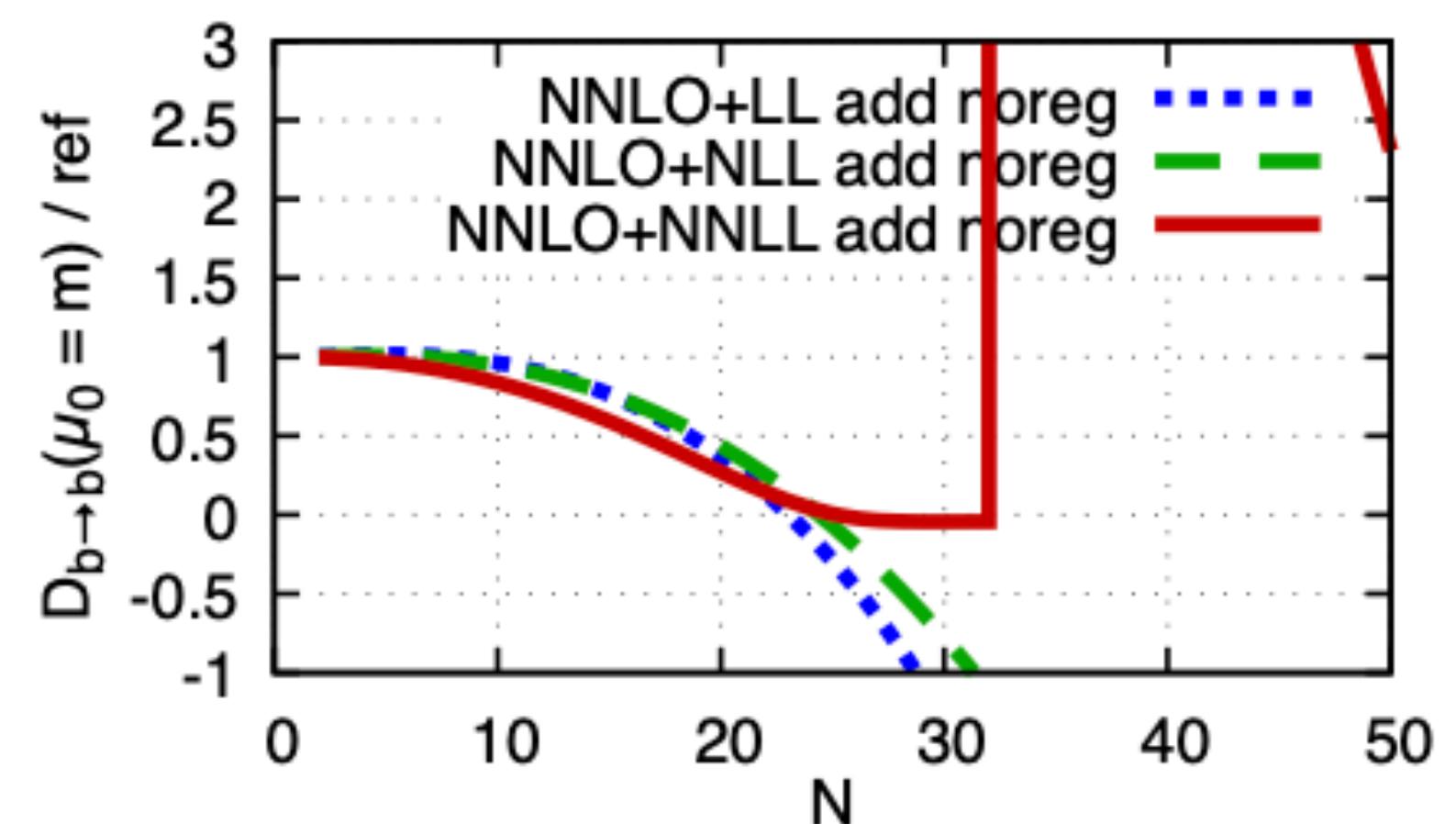
$$\alpha_S(Q=91.2 \text{ GeV}) = 0.118$$

$$\alpha_S(m) = 0.21593775$$



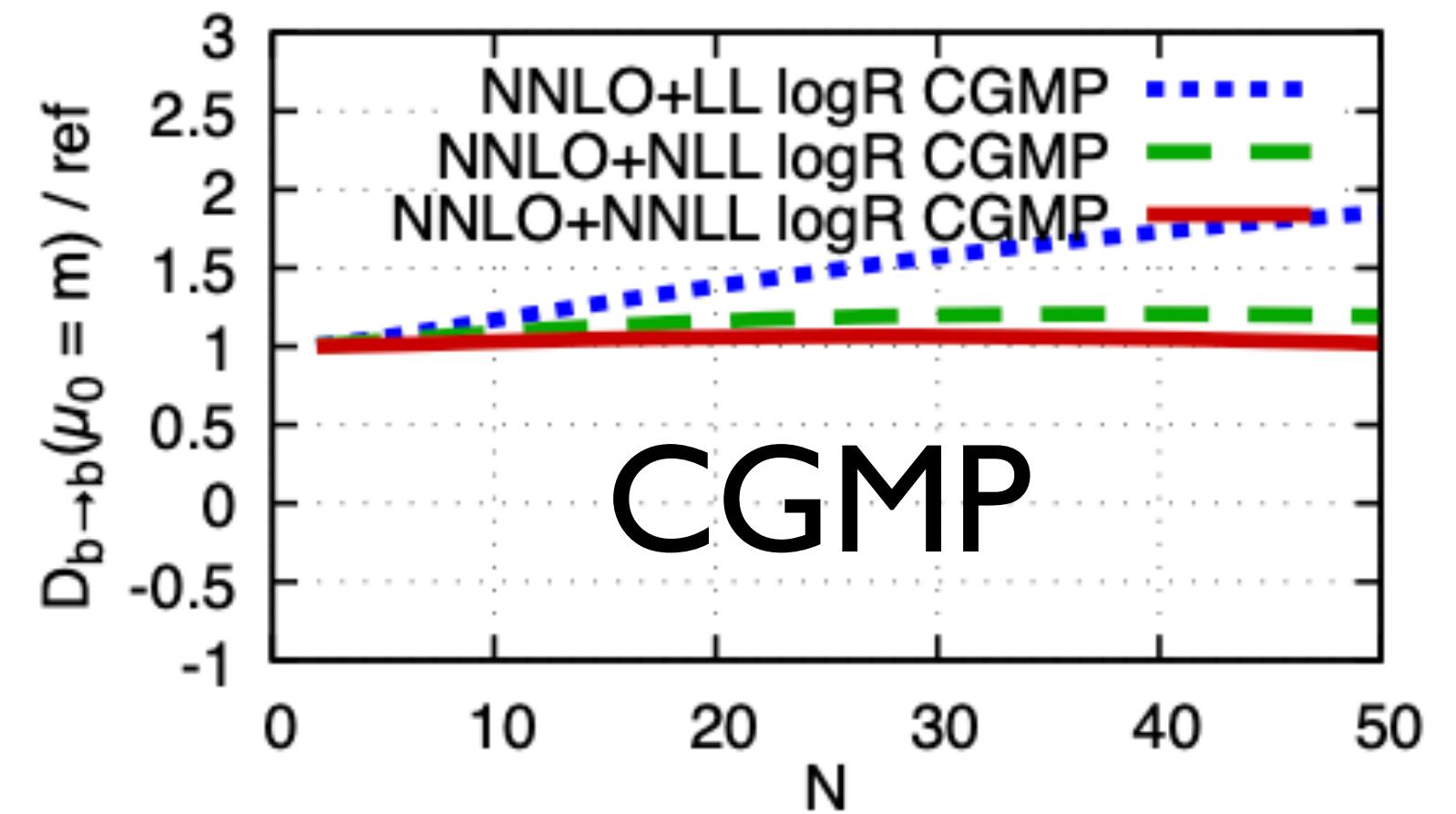
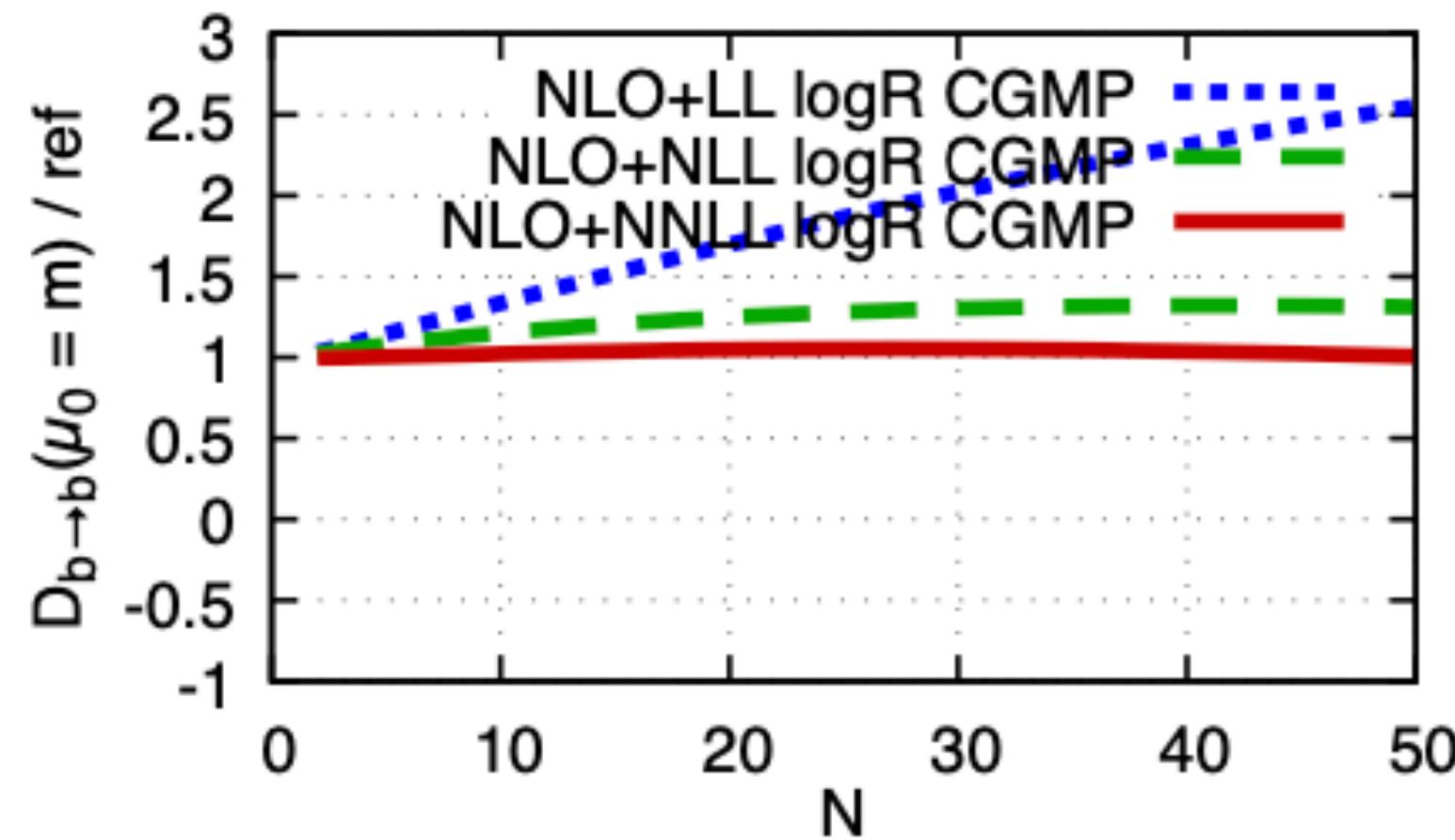
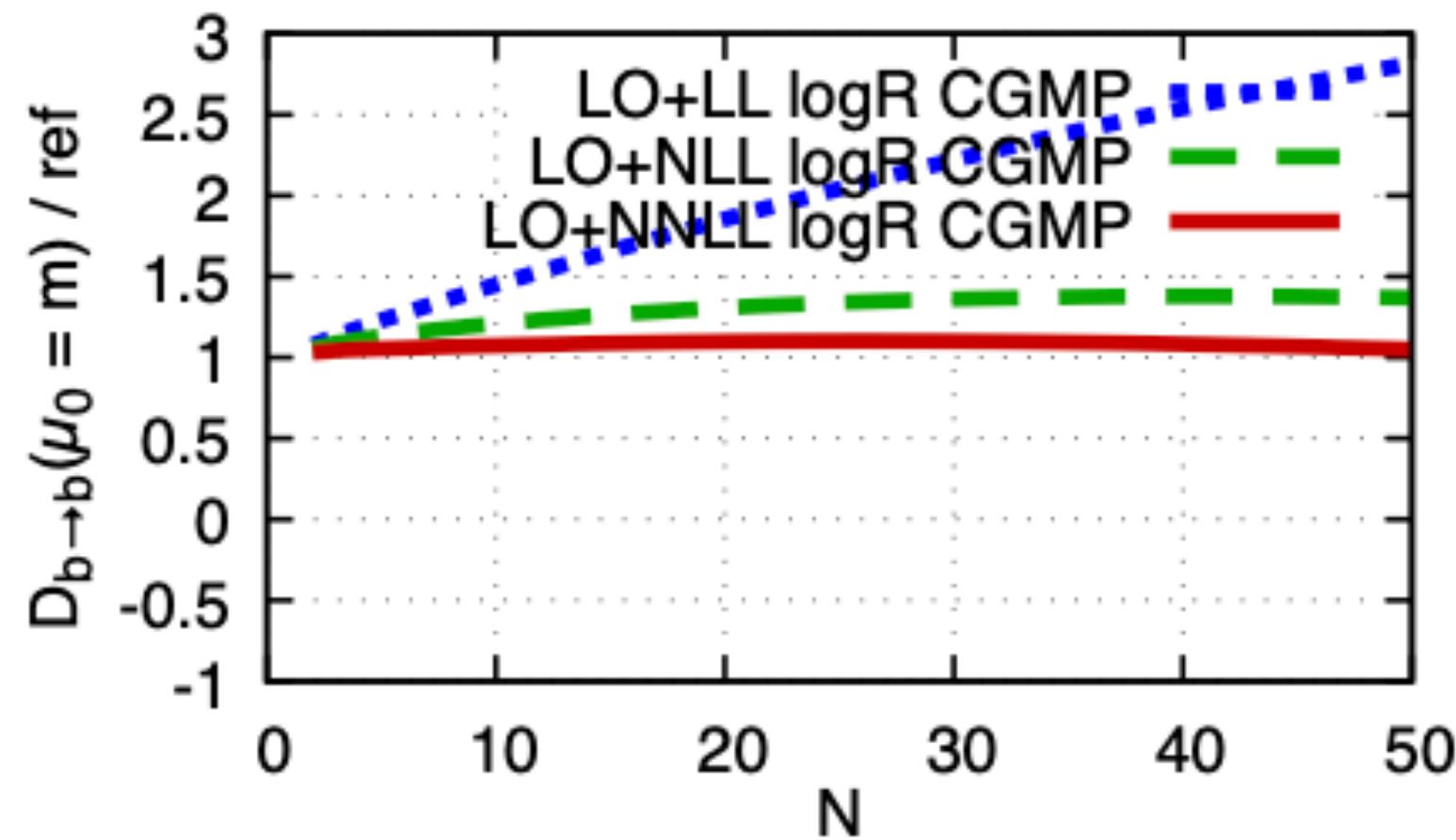
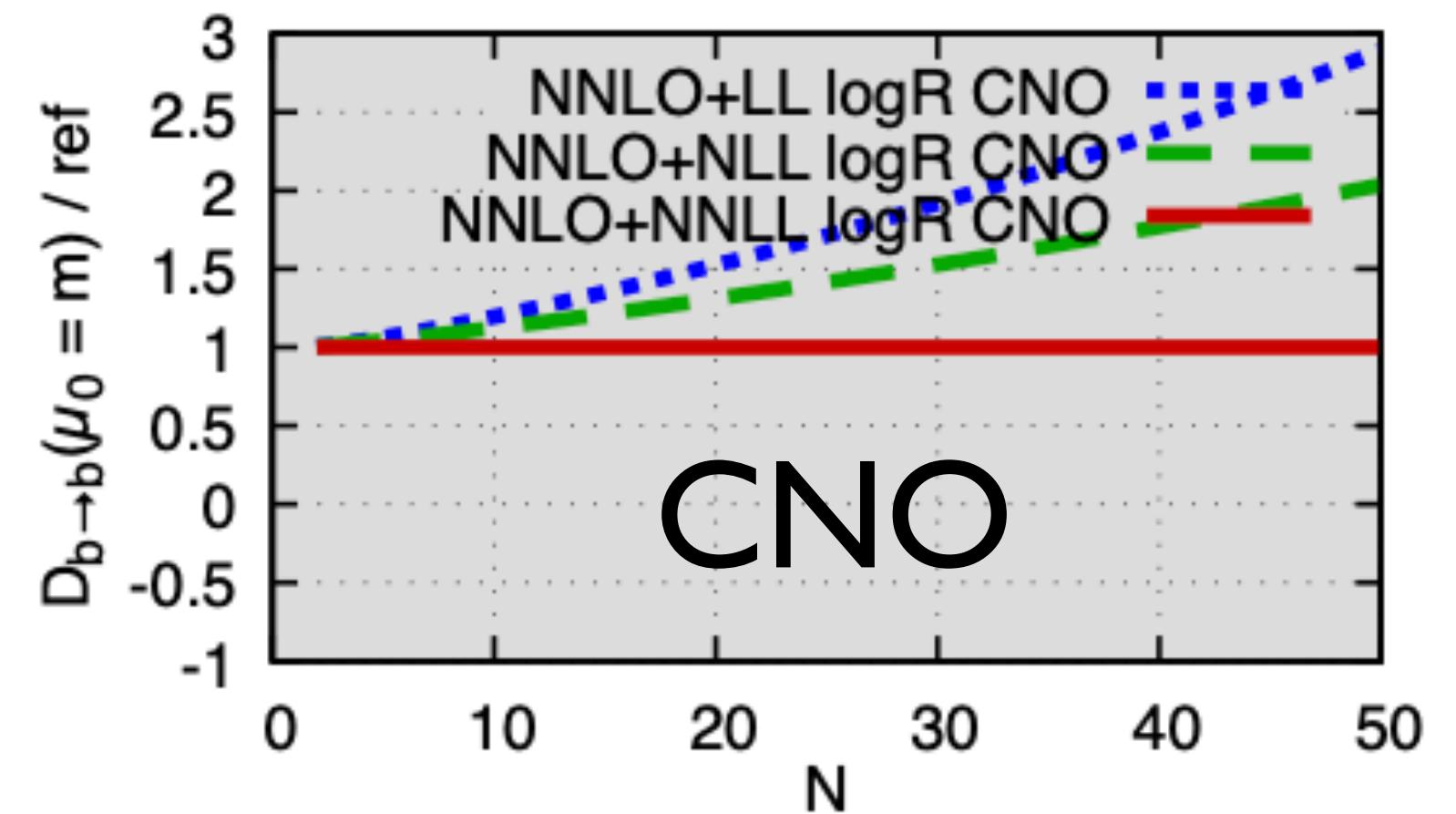
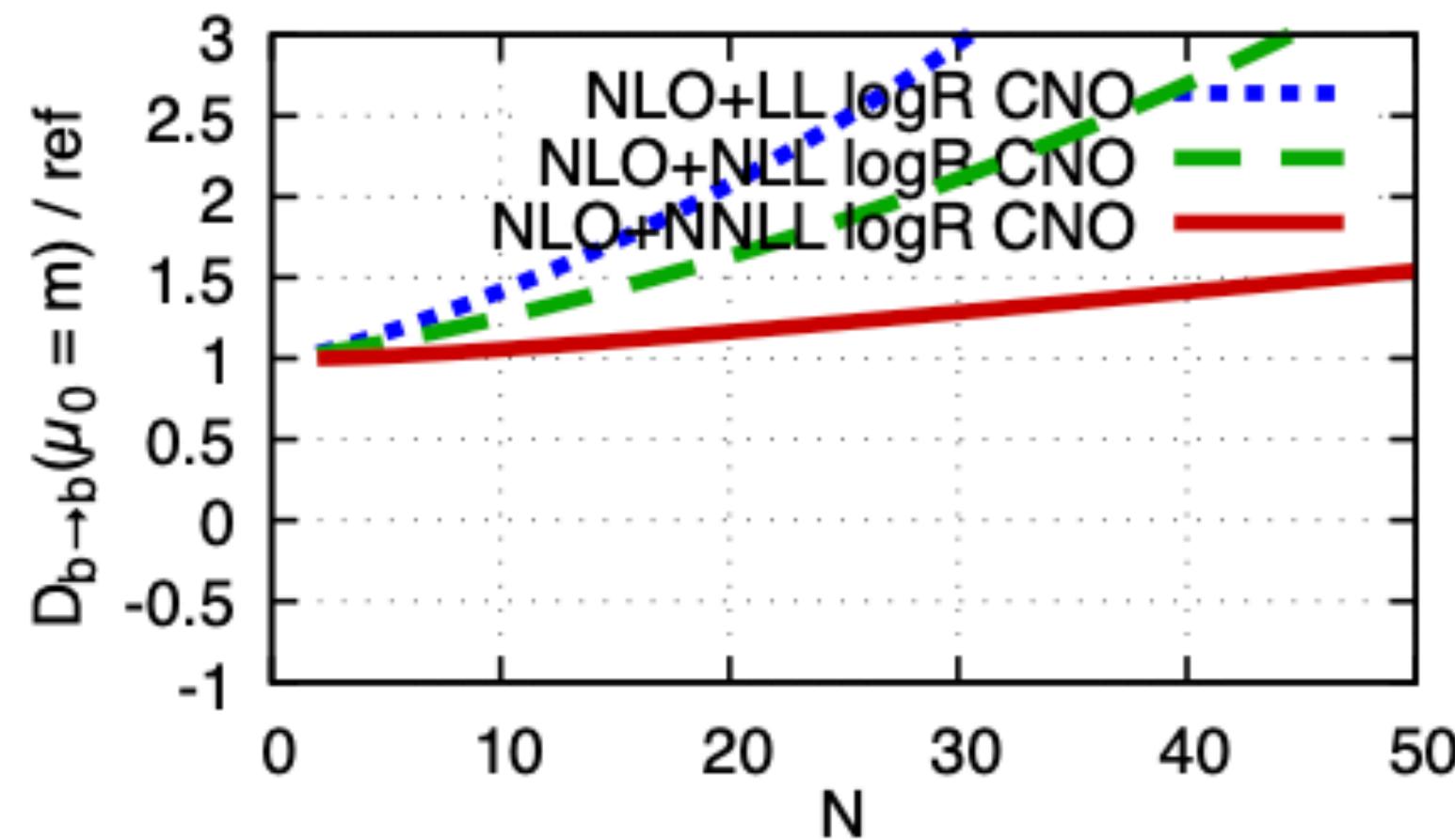
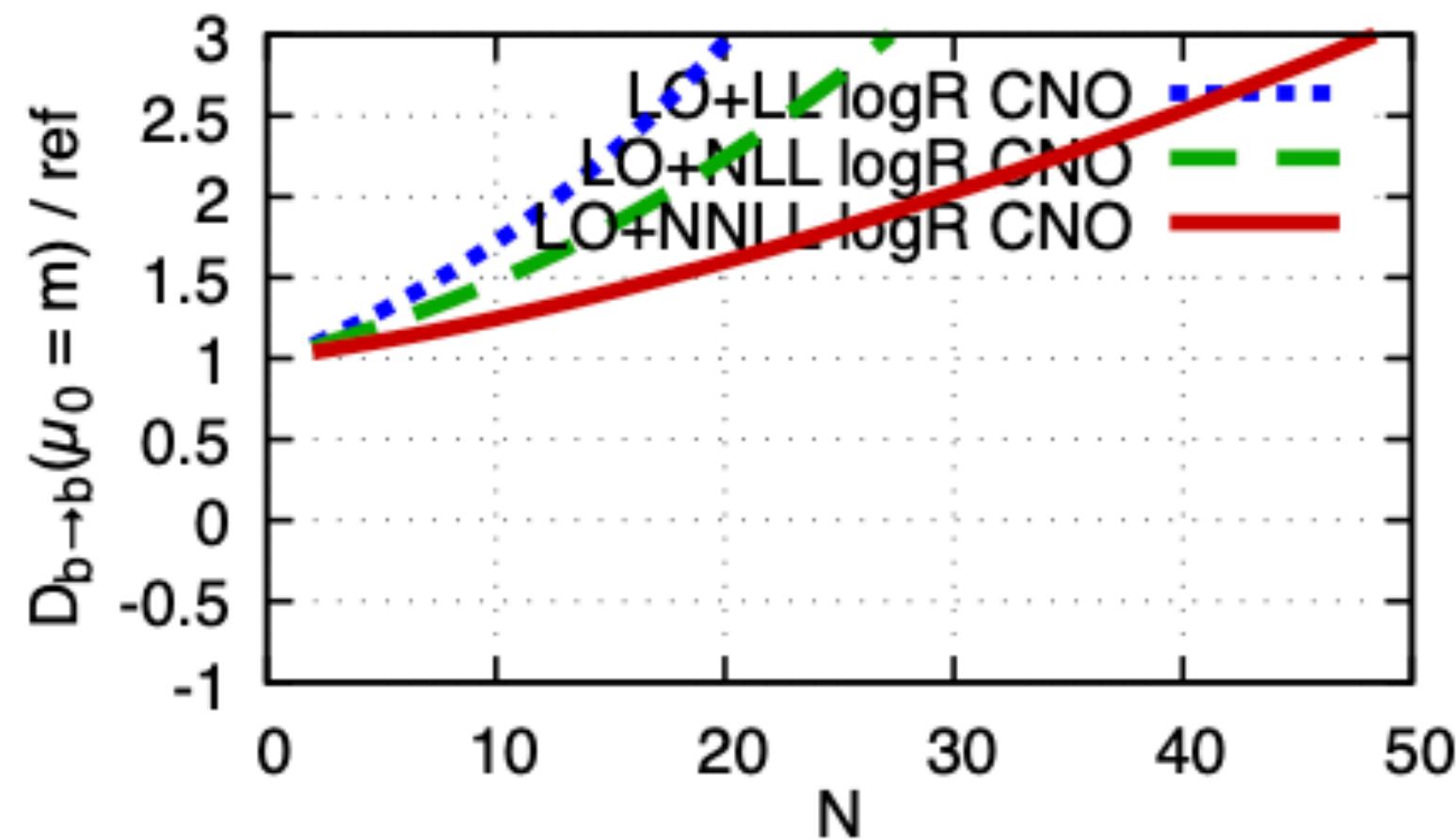
Ratio to a single curve

$$\text{ref} = \text{'NNLO+NNLL logR CNO(1.25)'}$$



No obvious perturbative hierarchy NNLL < NLL < LL

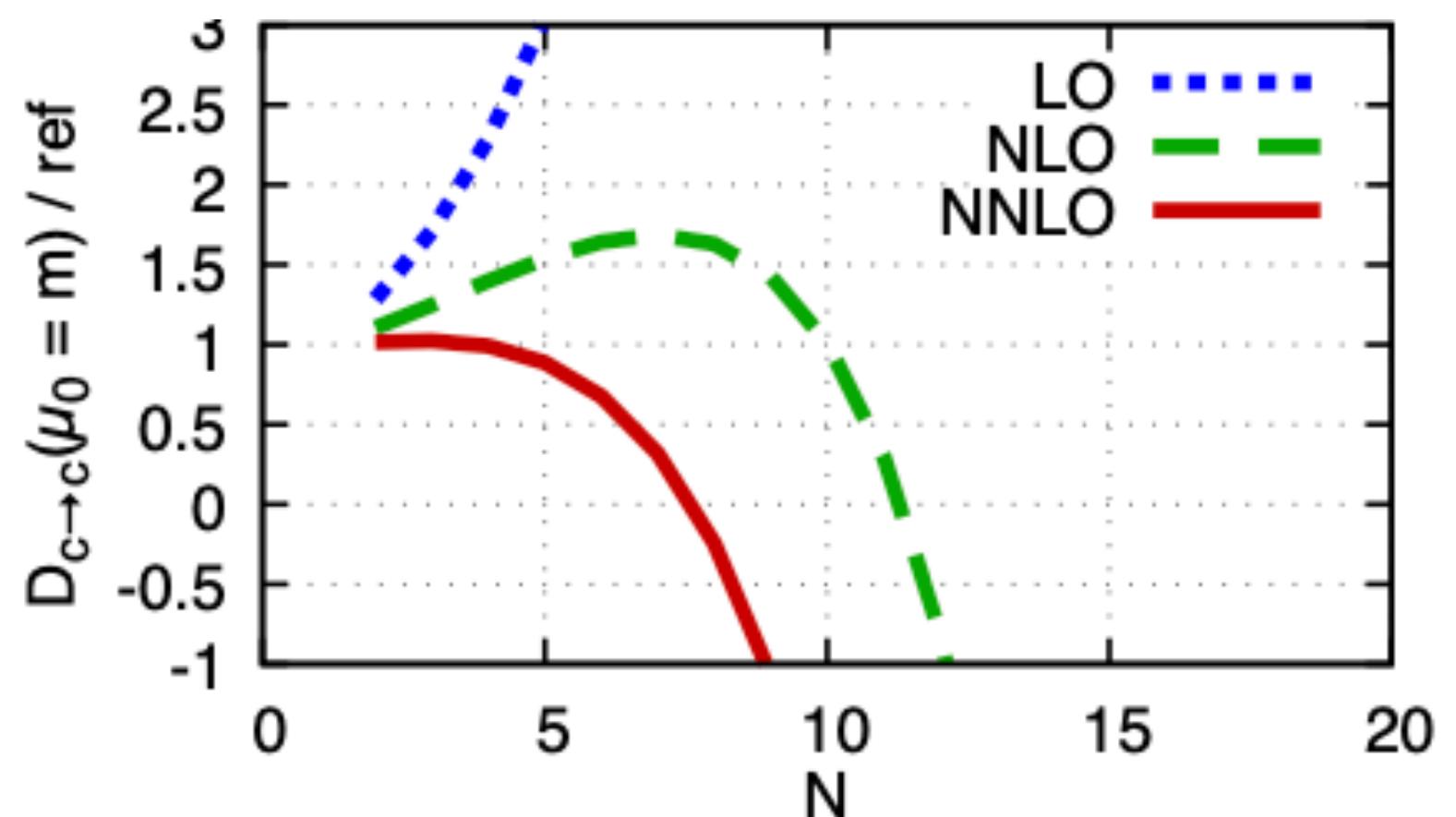
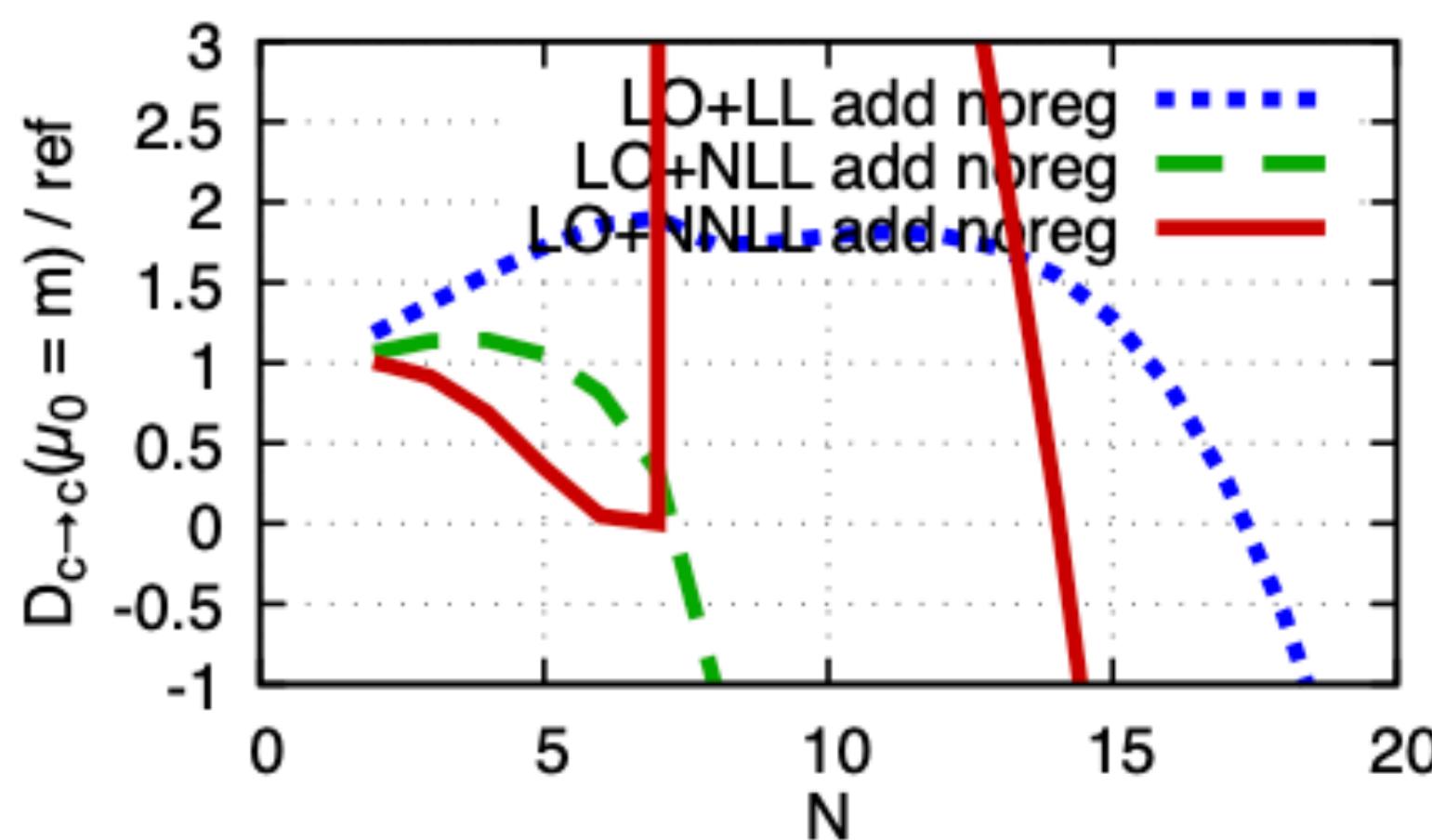
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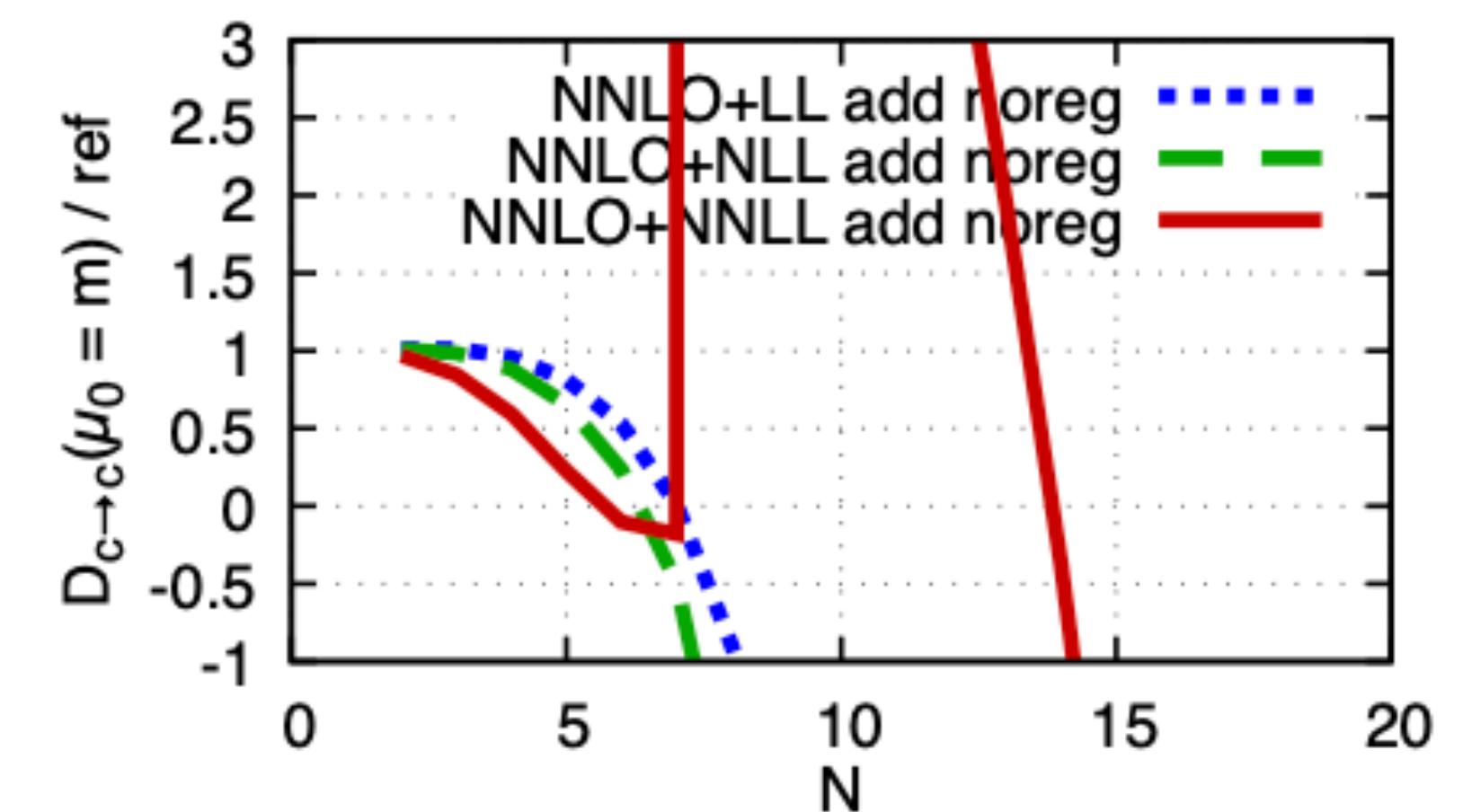
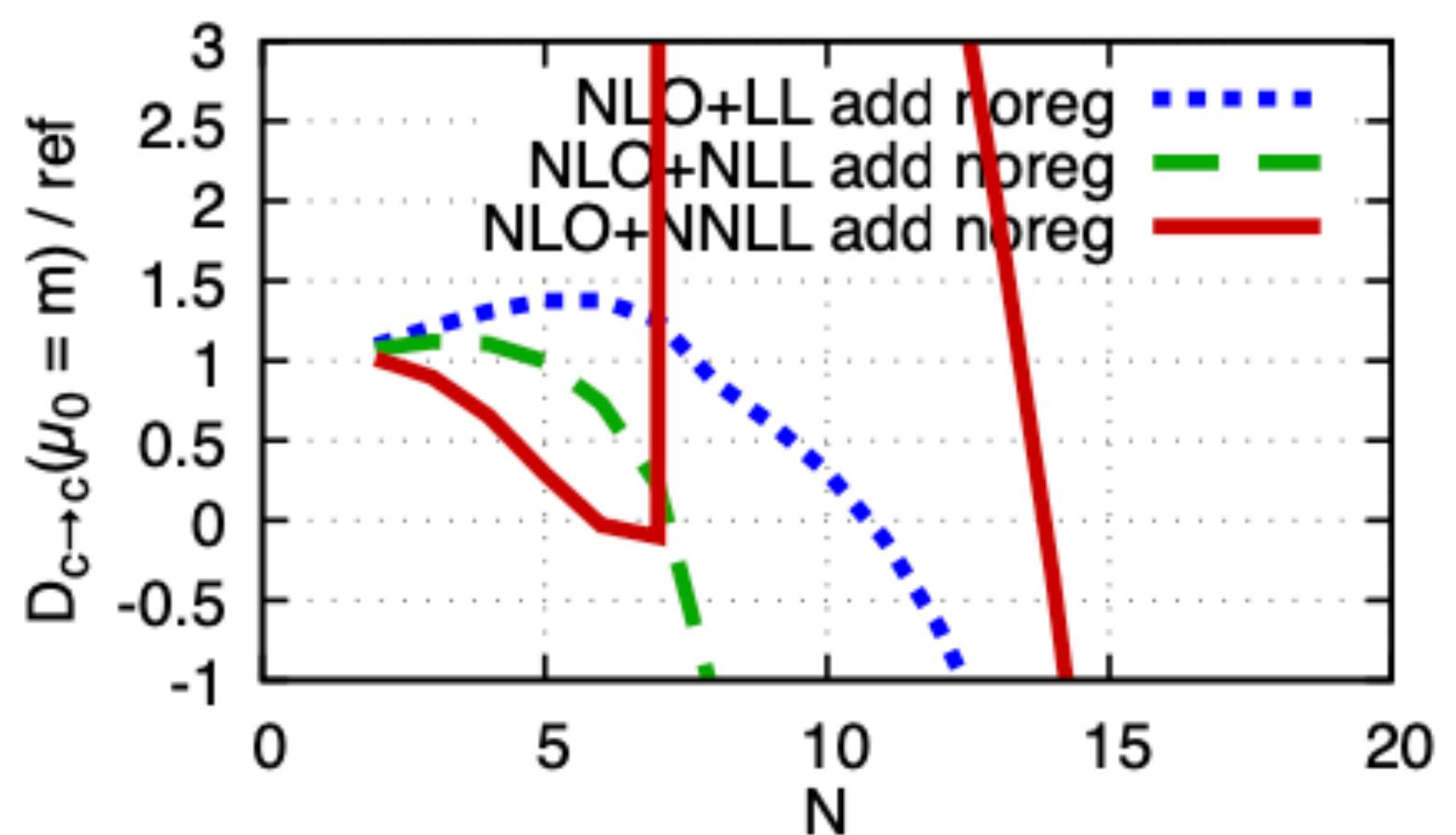
'log-R CGMP' displays the expected hierarchy: NNLL < NLL < LL

# Charm initial condition

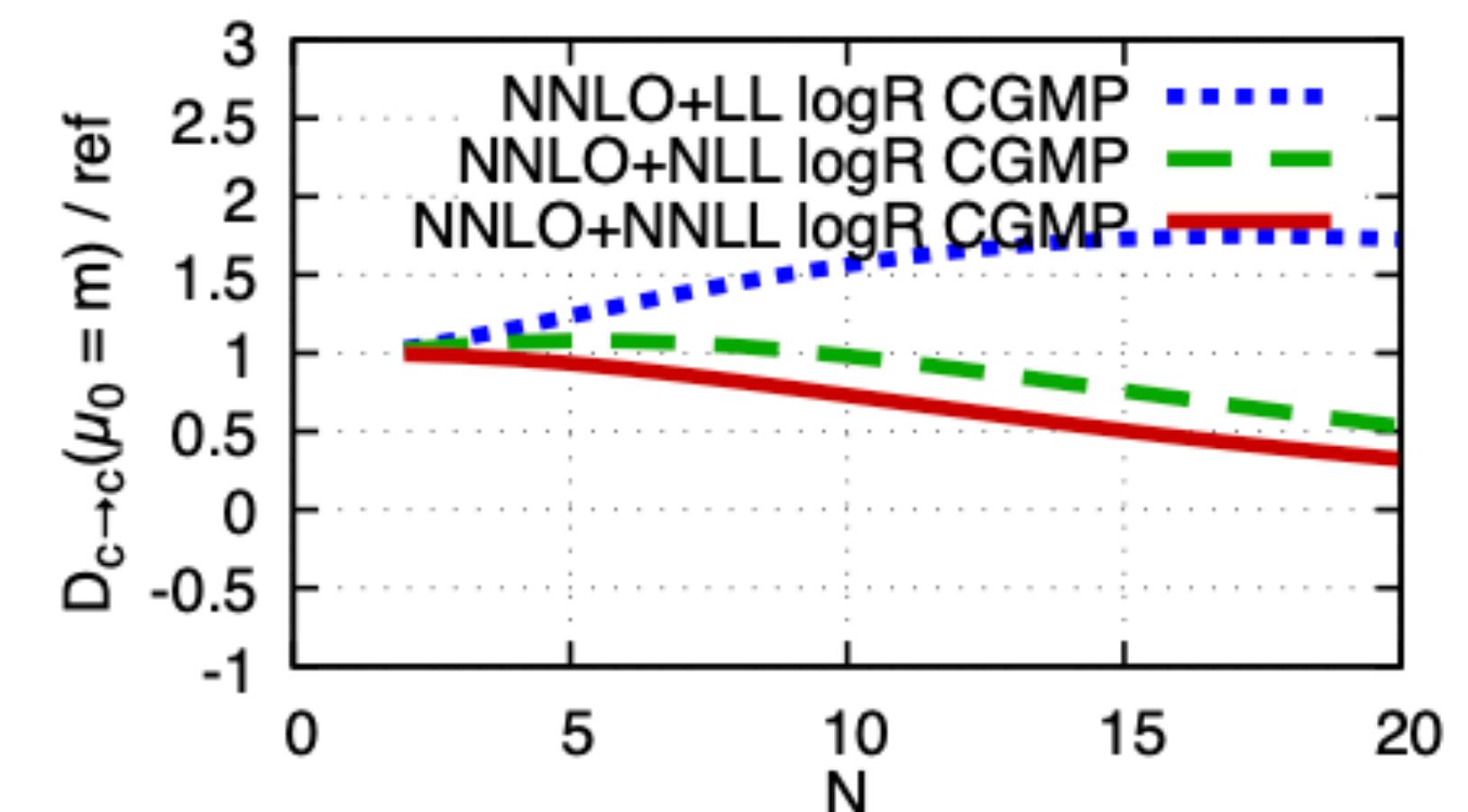
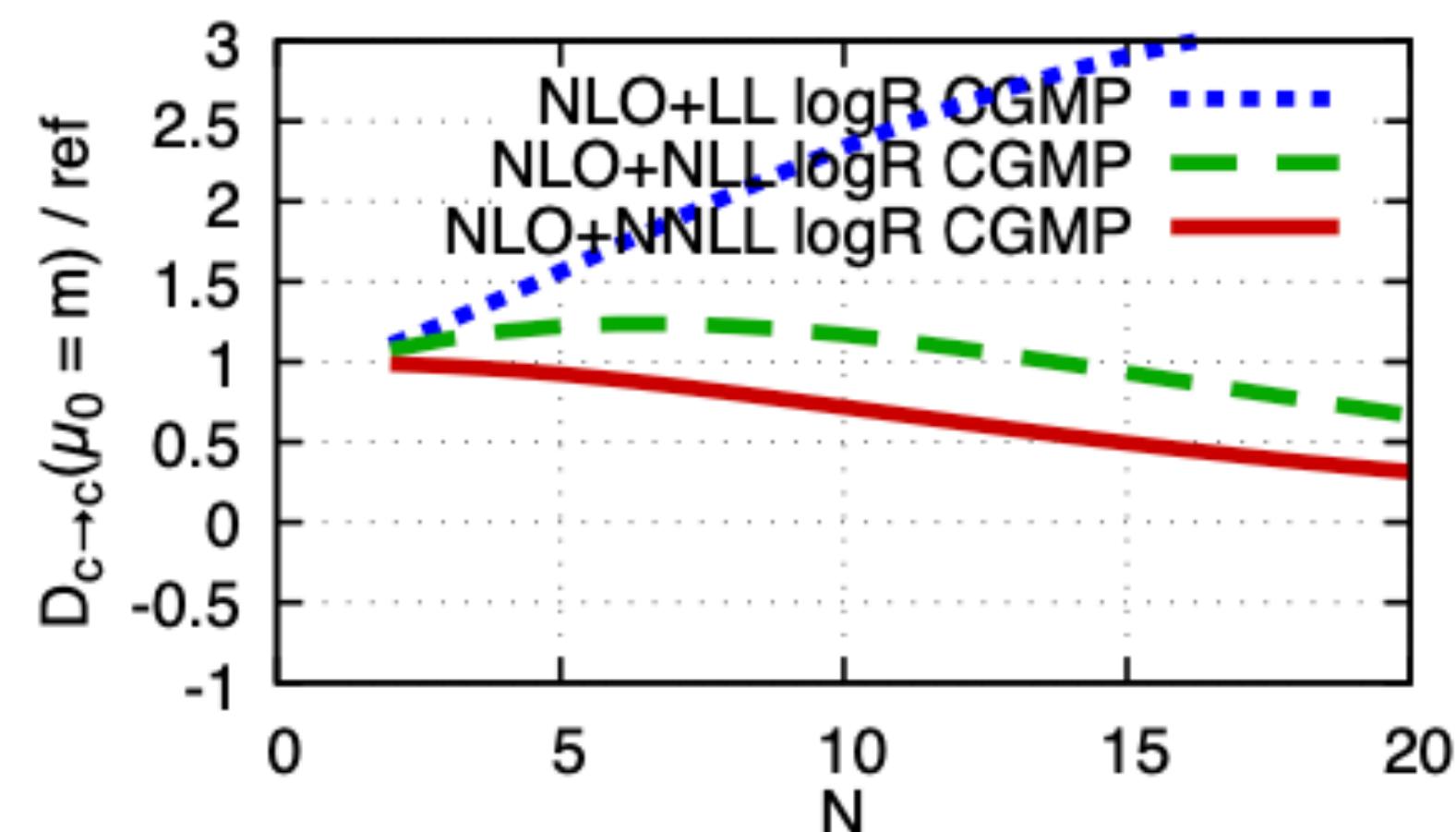
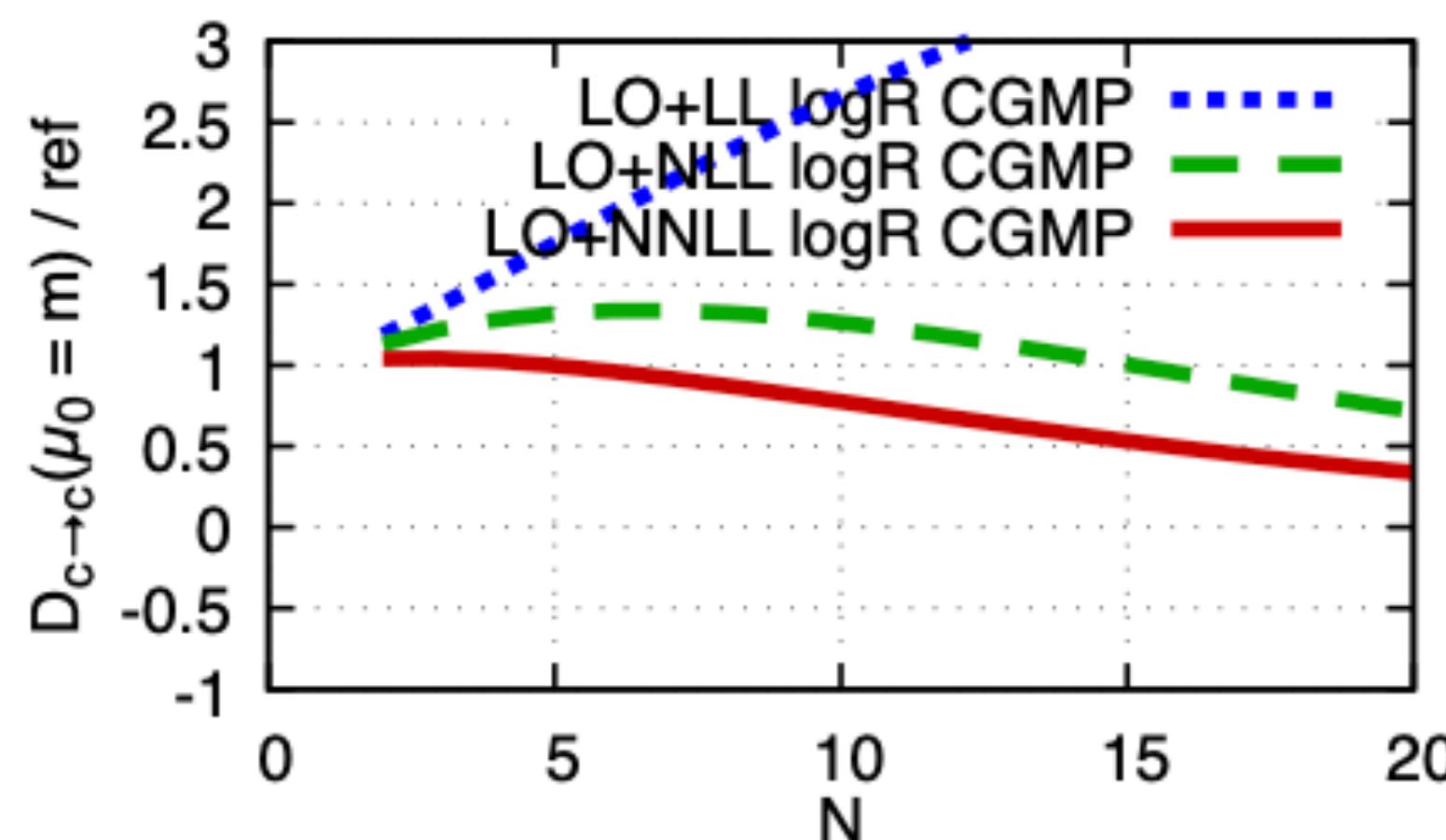
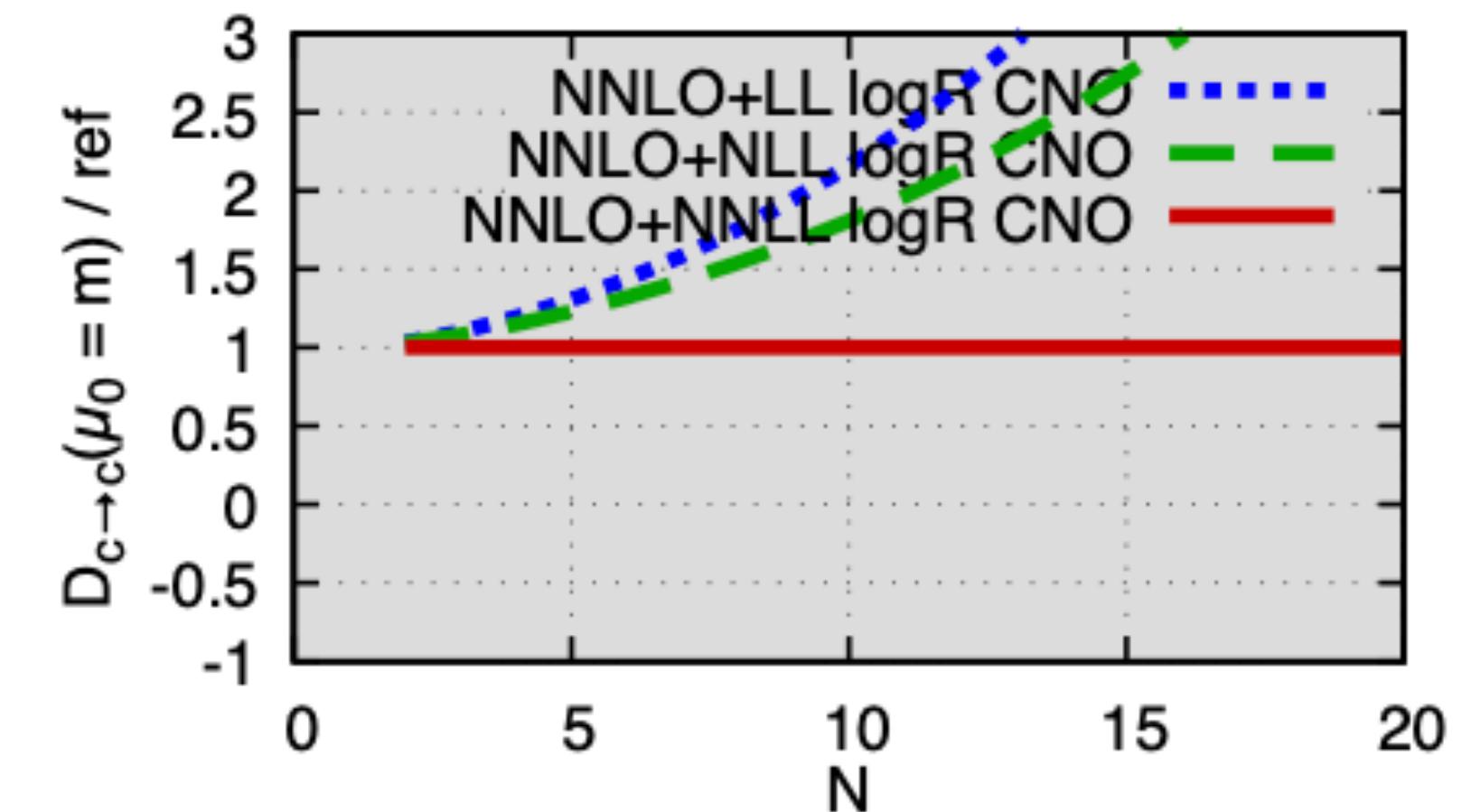
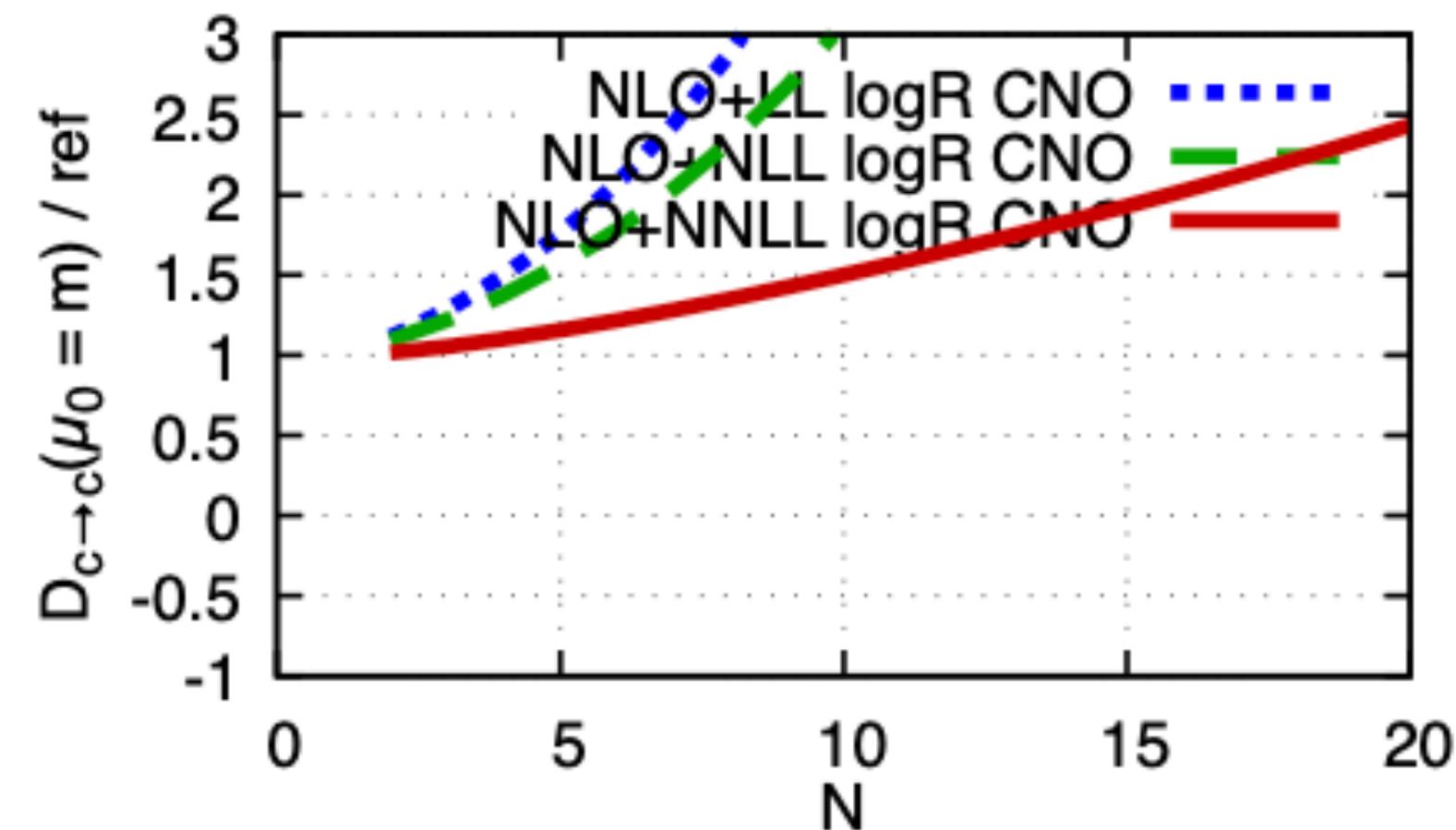
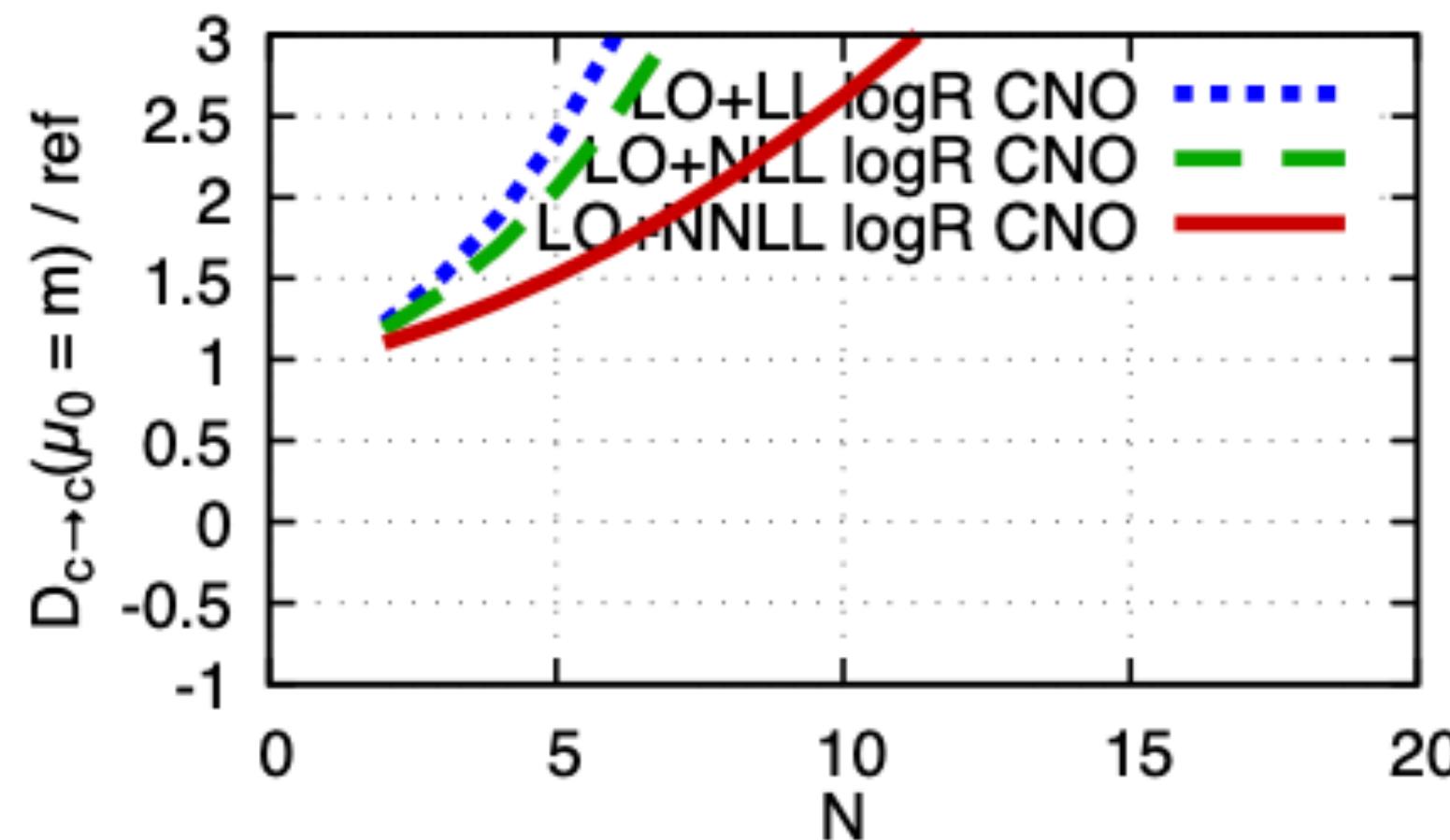
charm initial condition,  $m=1.5 \text{ GeV}$   
 $\mu_0 = \mu_{0R} = \mu_{0F} = m$   
 $\alpha_S(Q=91.2 \text{ GeV}) = 0.118$   
 $\alpha_S(m) = 0.34731228$



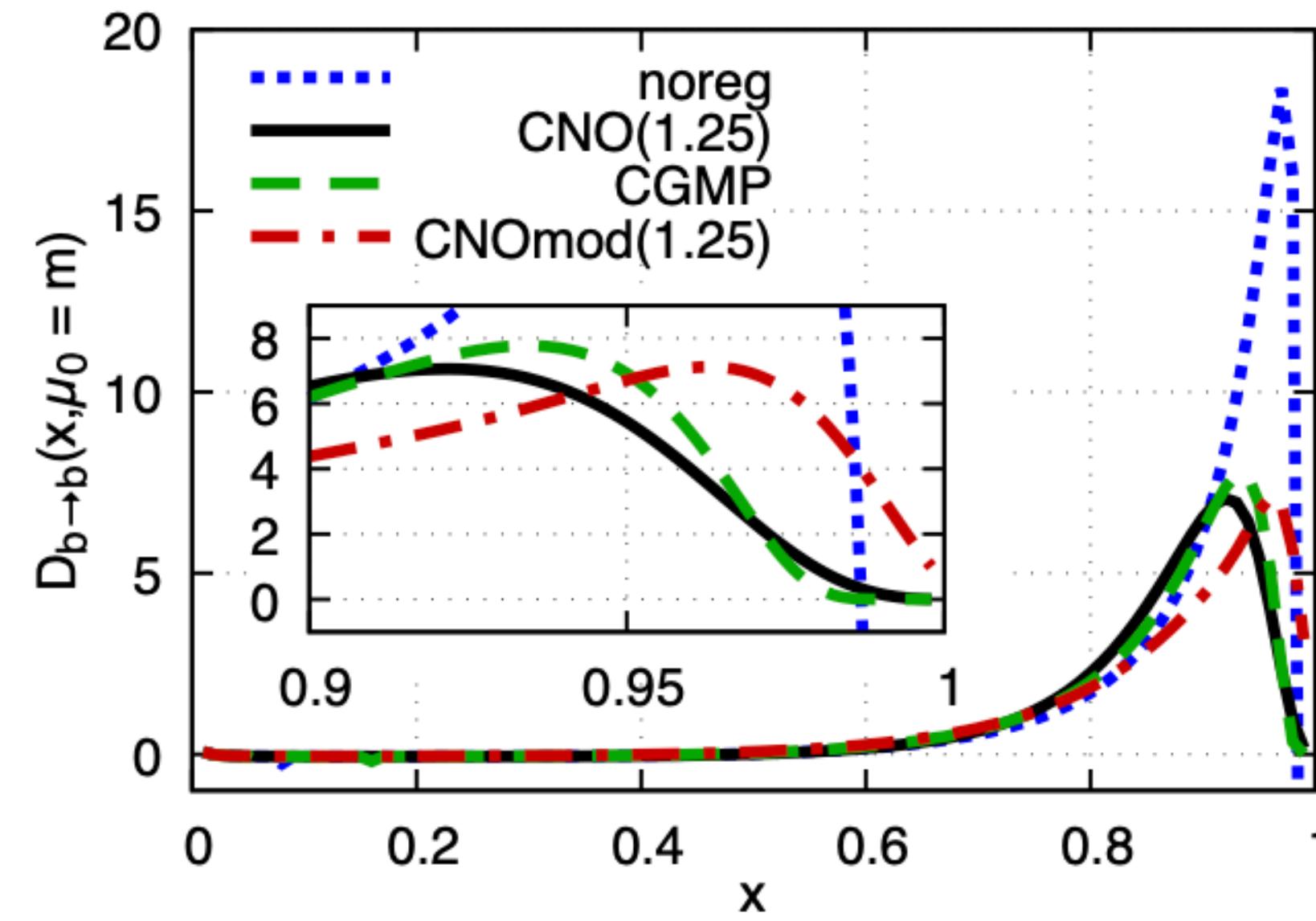
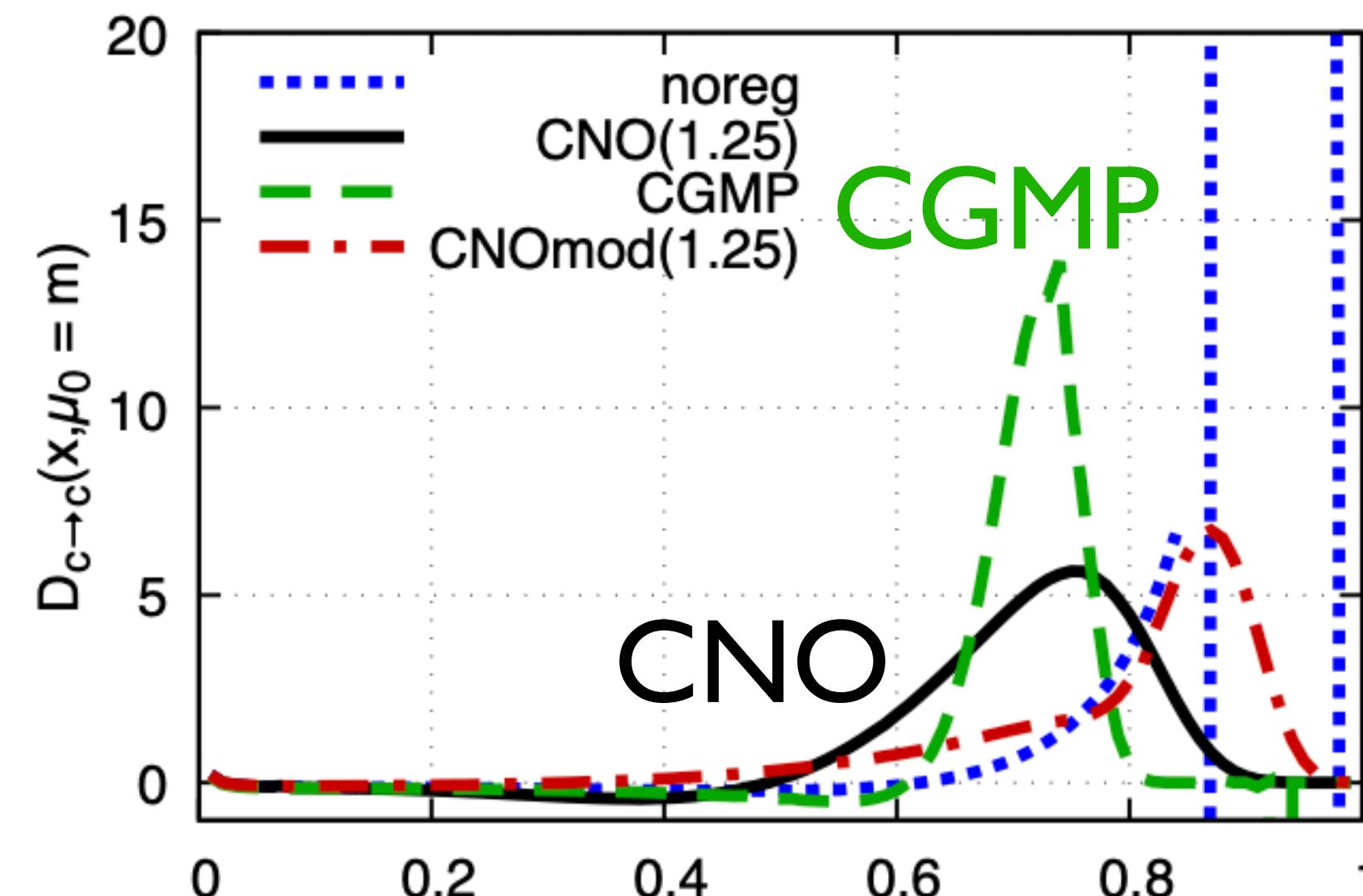
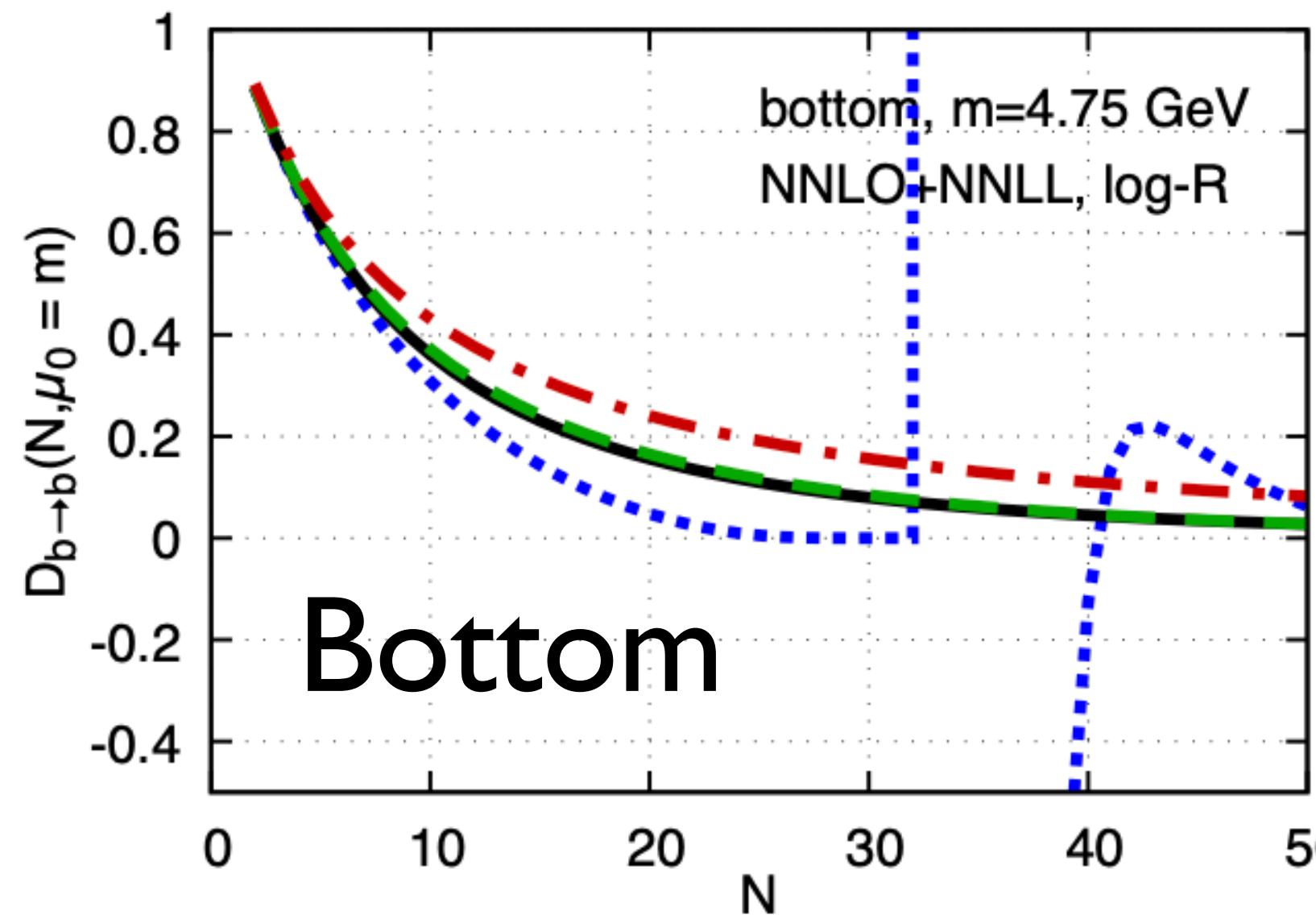
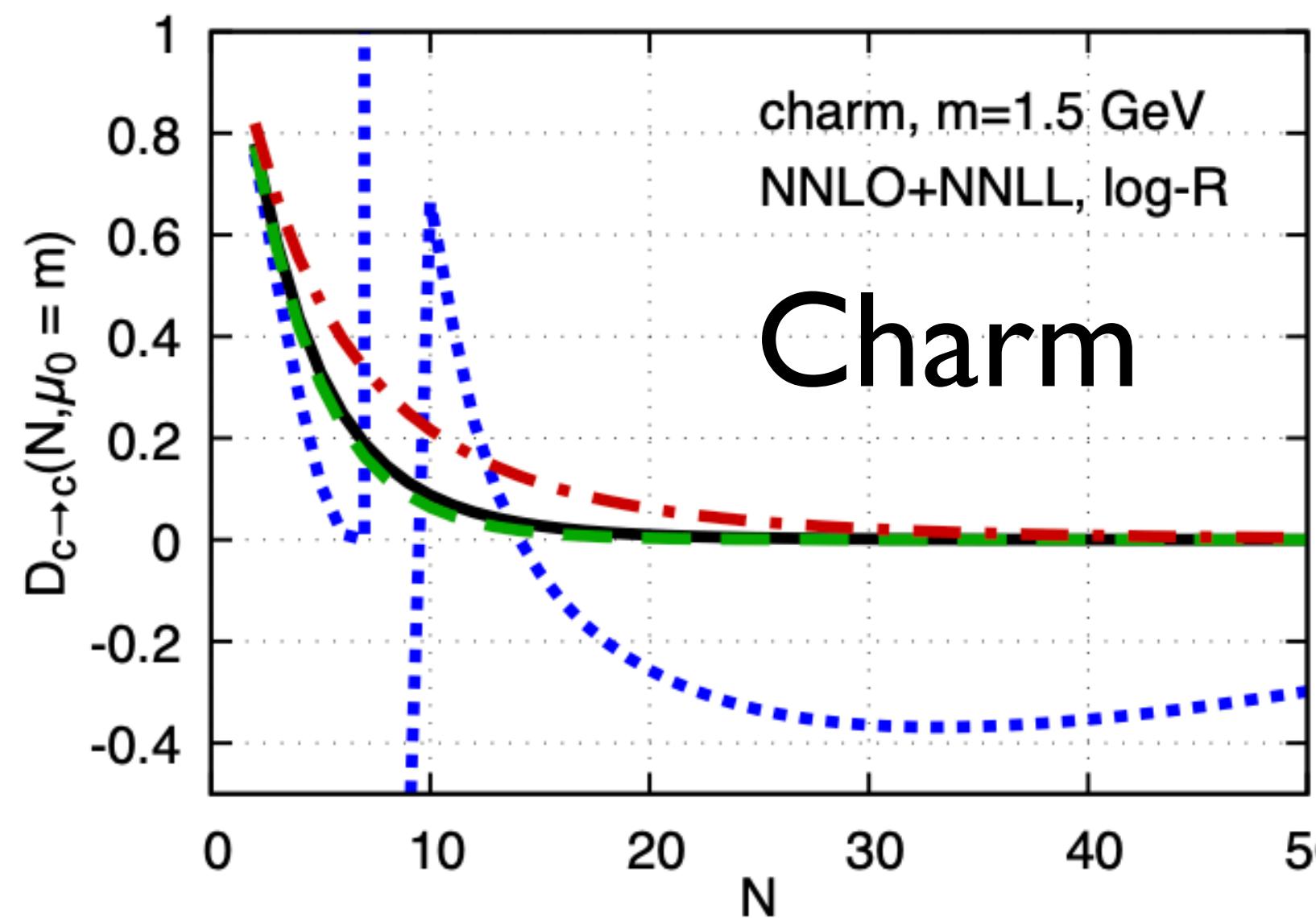
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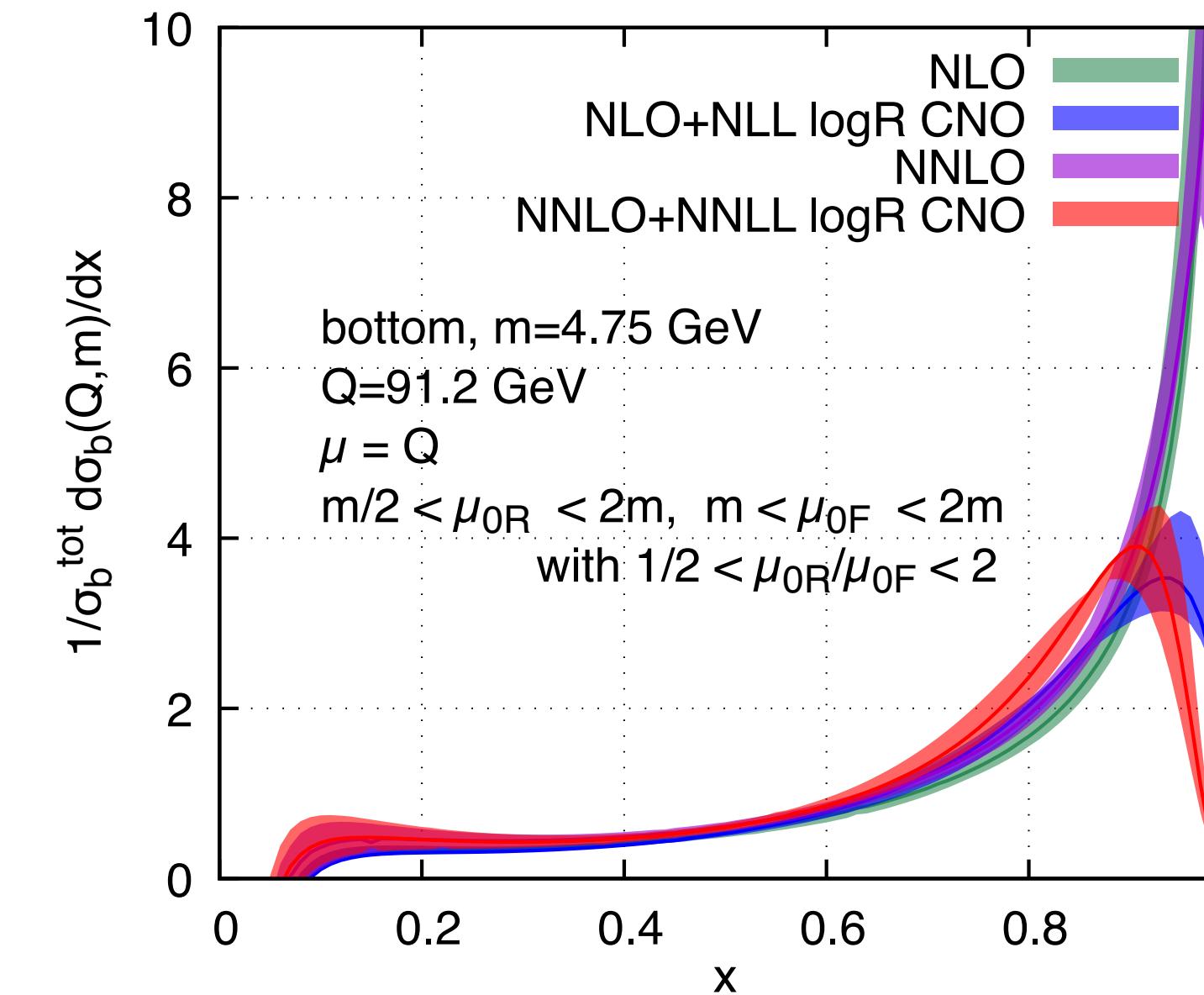
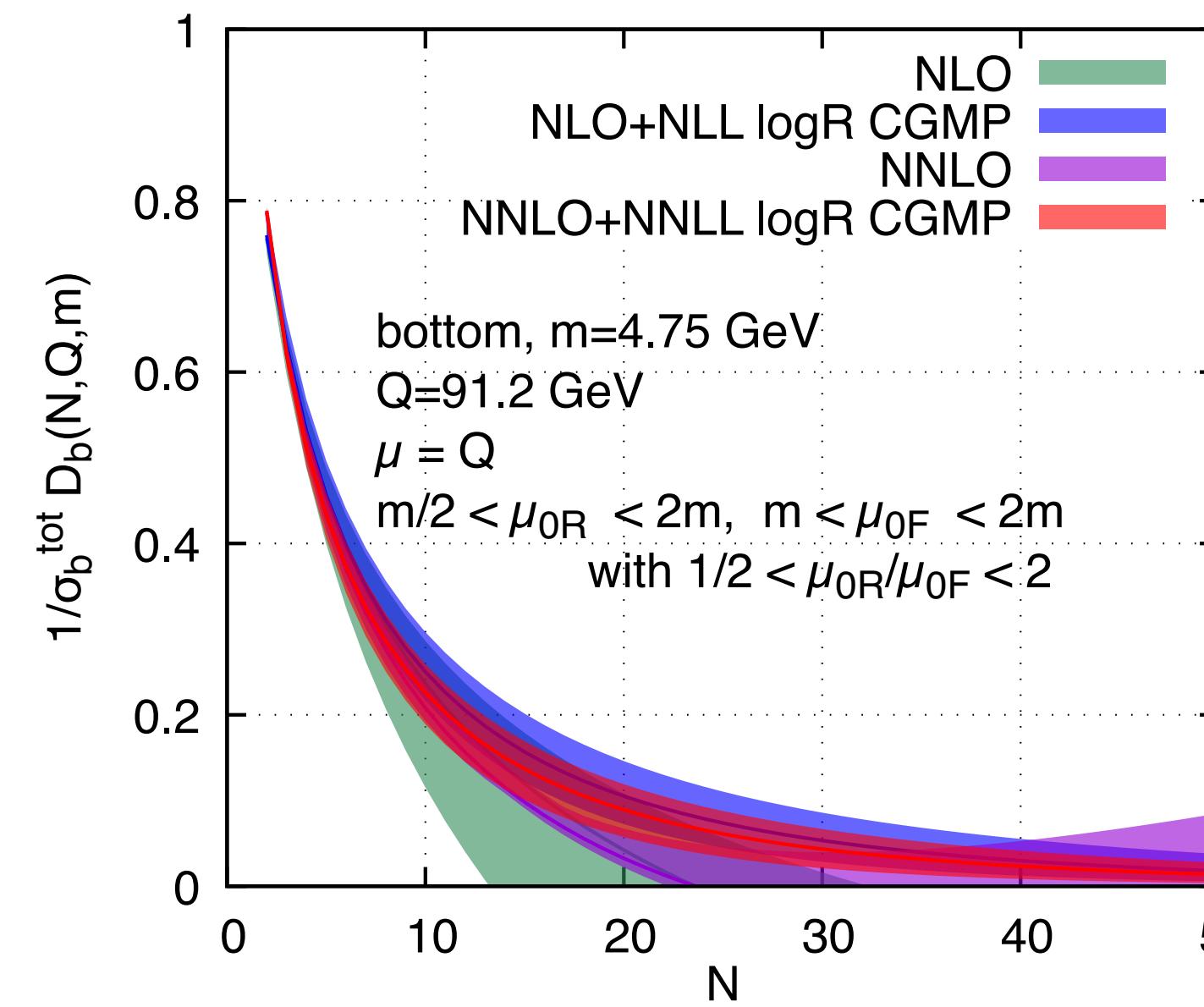
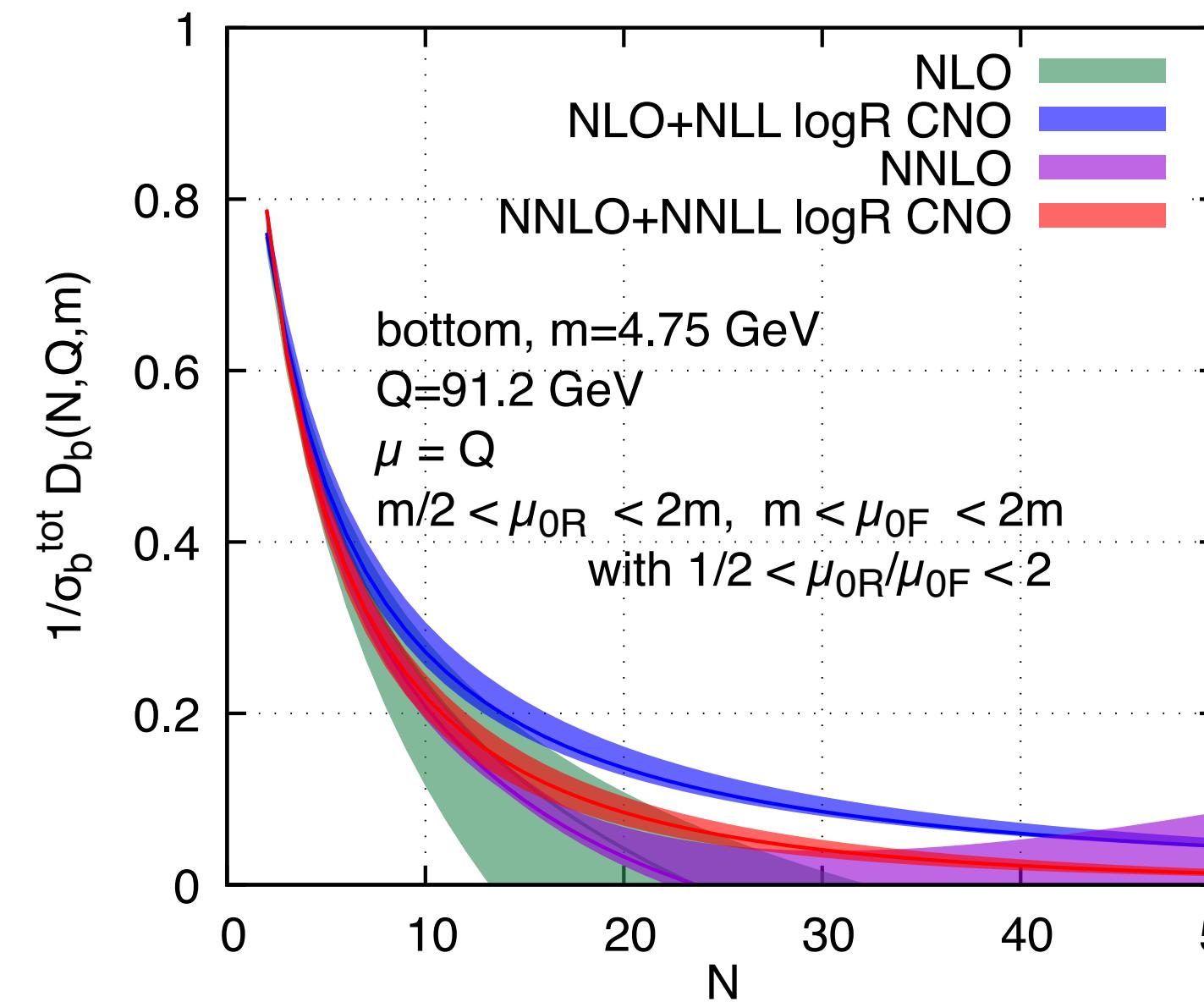
# Charm v. Bottom



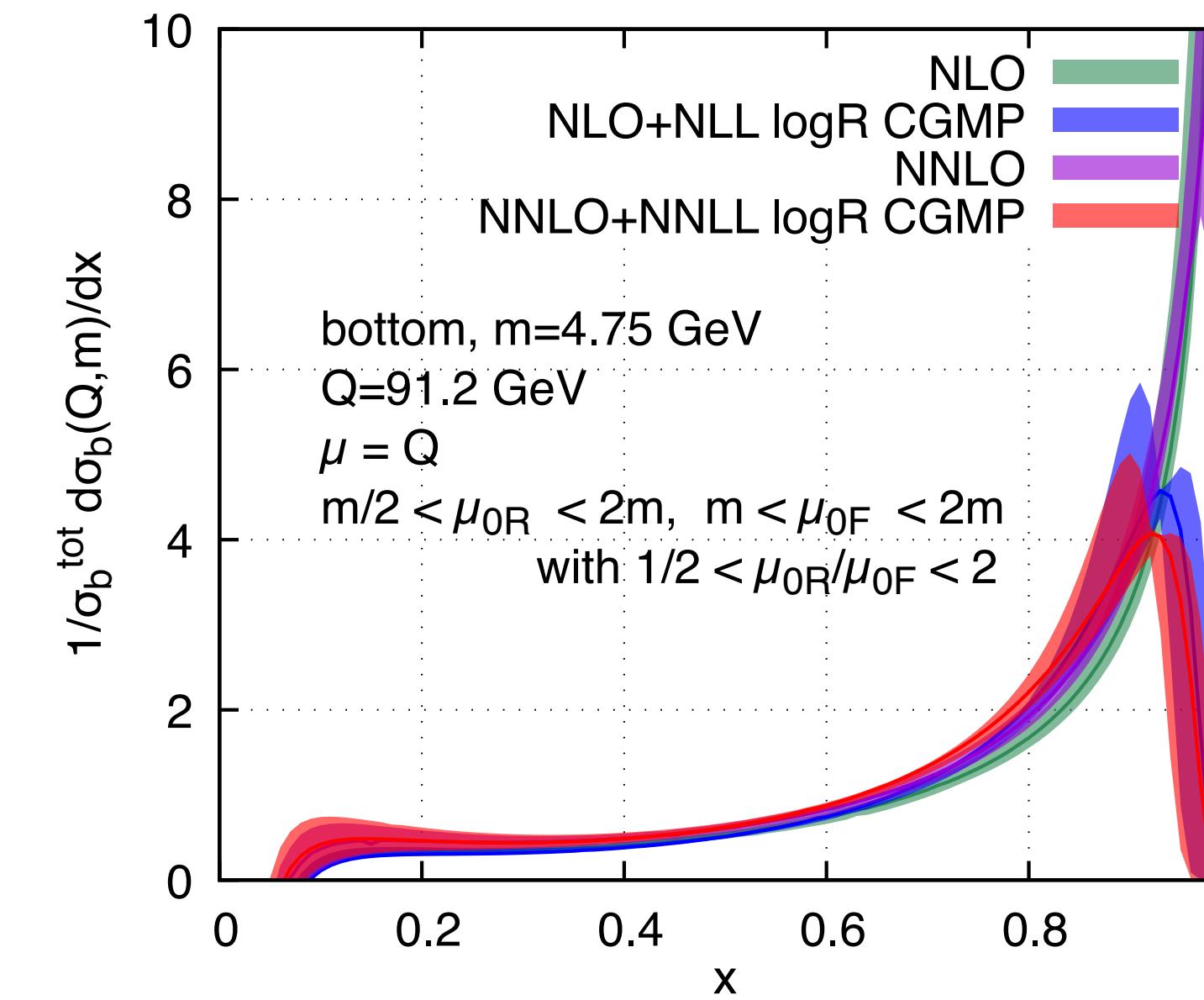
CNO and, to a larger extent, CGMP problematic for charm (too rapid fall-off)

Both CGMP and CNO well behaved for bottom

# Bottom initial scales variations



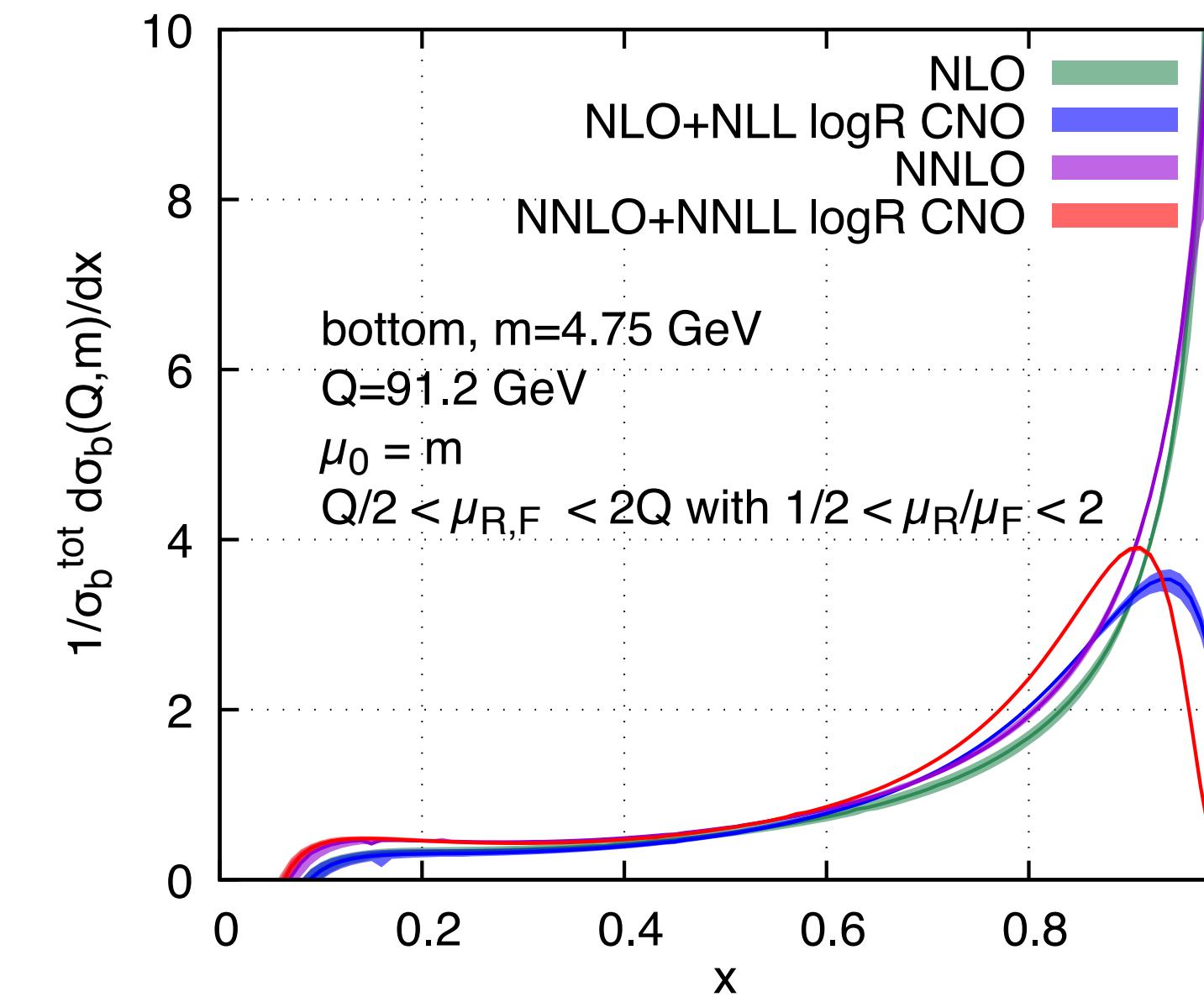
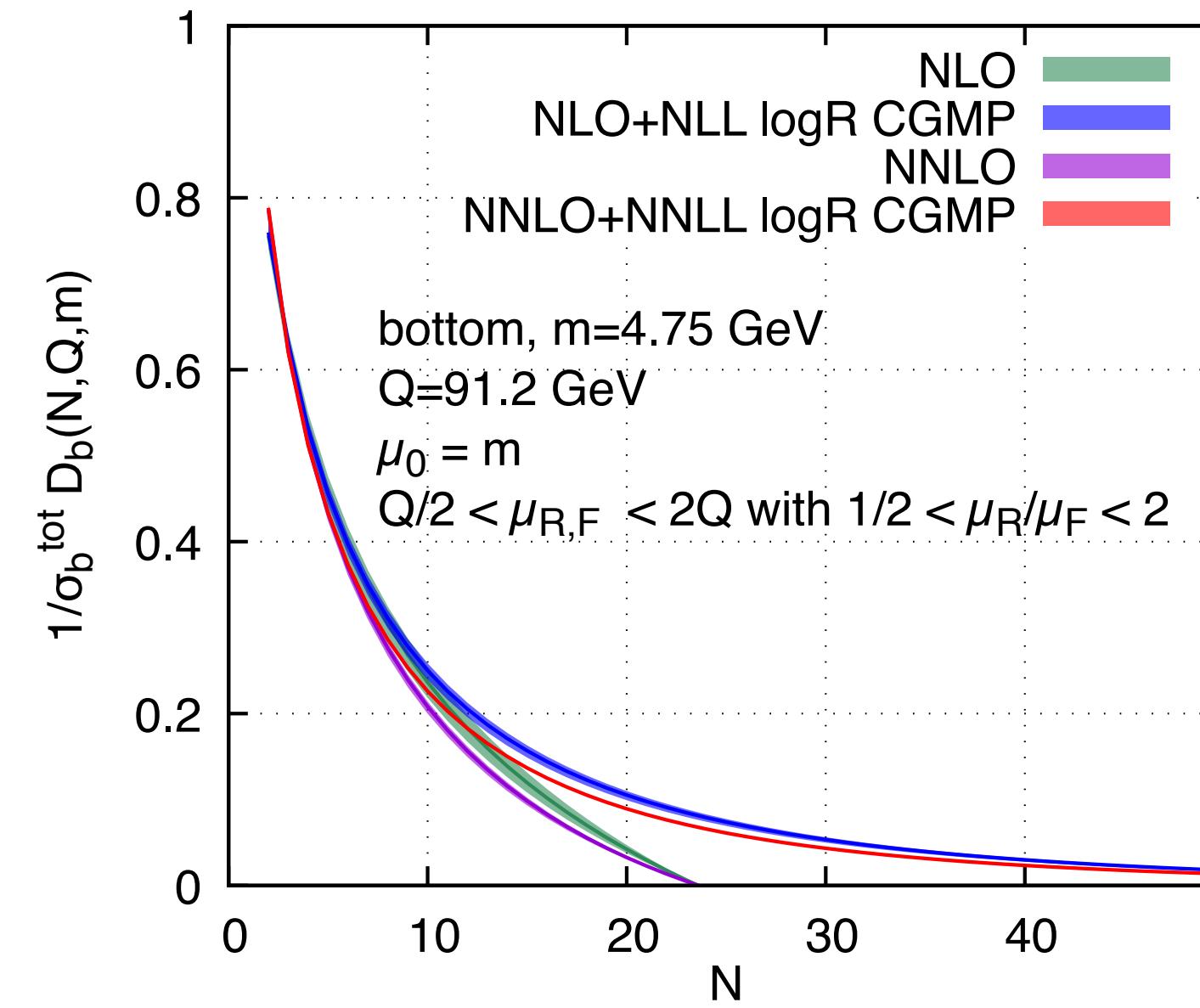
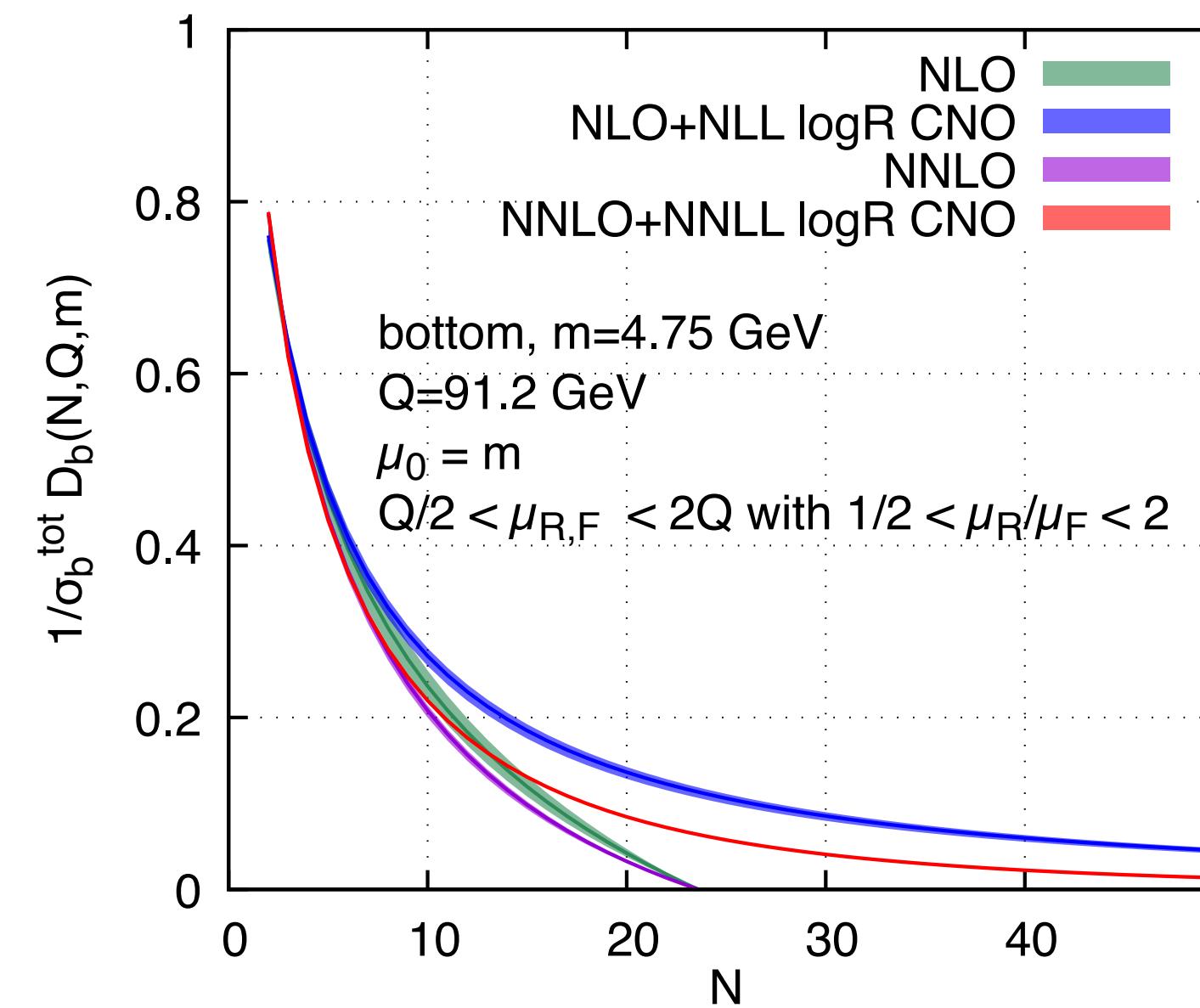
CNO



CGMP

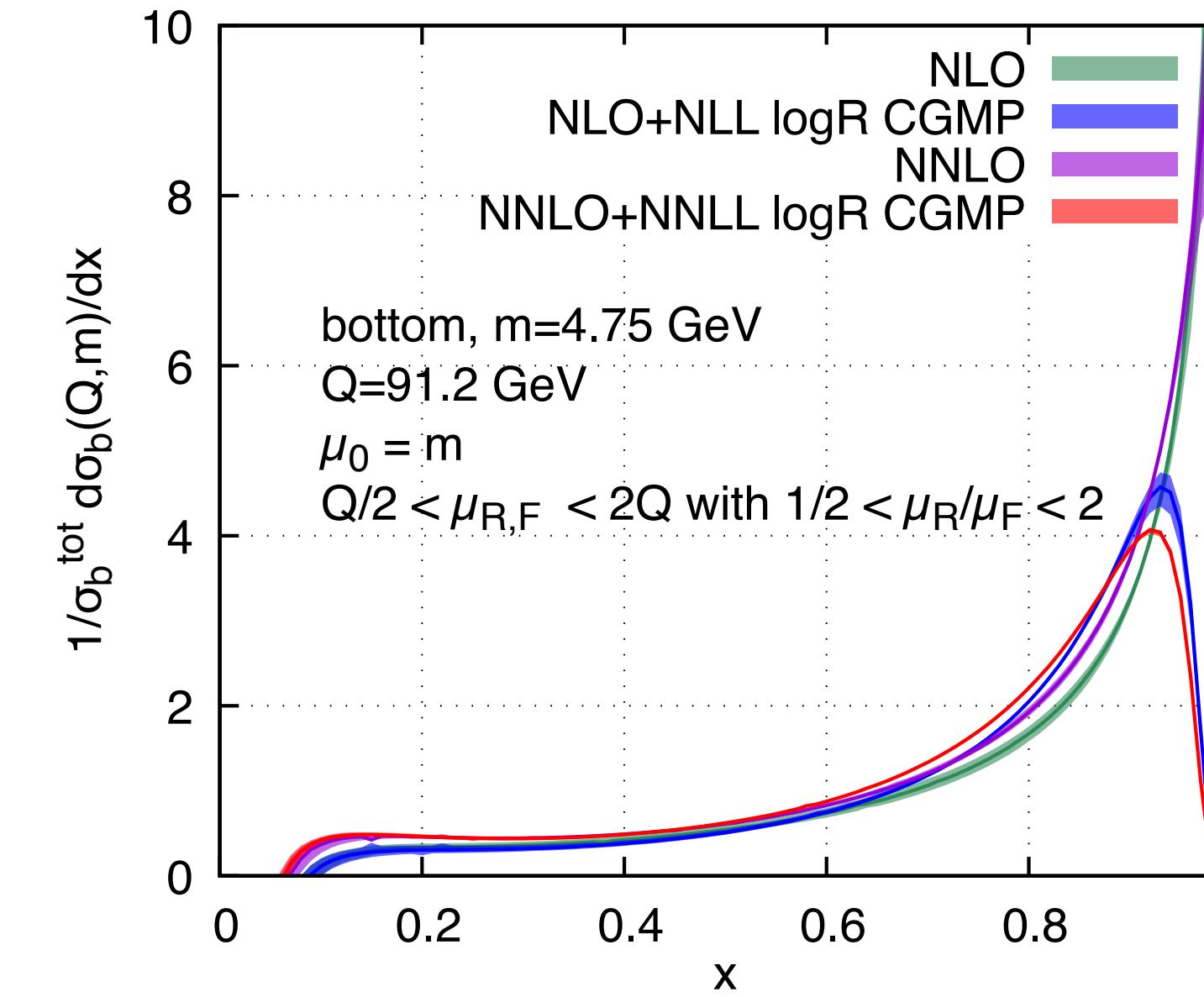
Bands shrink as  
expected, but do  
not always overlap

# Bottom final scales variations



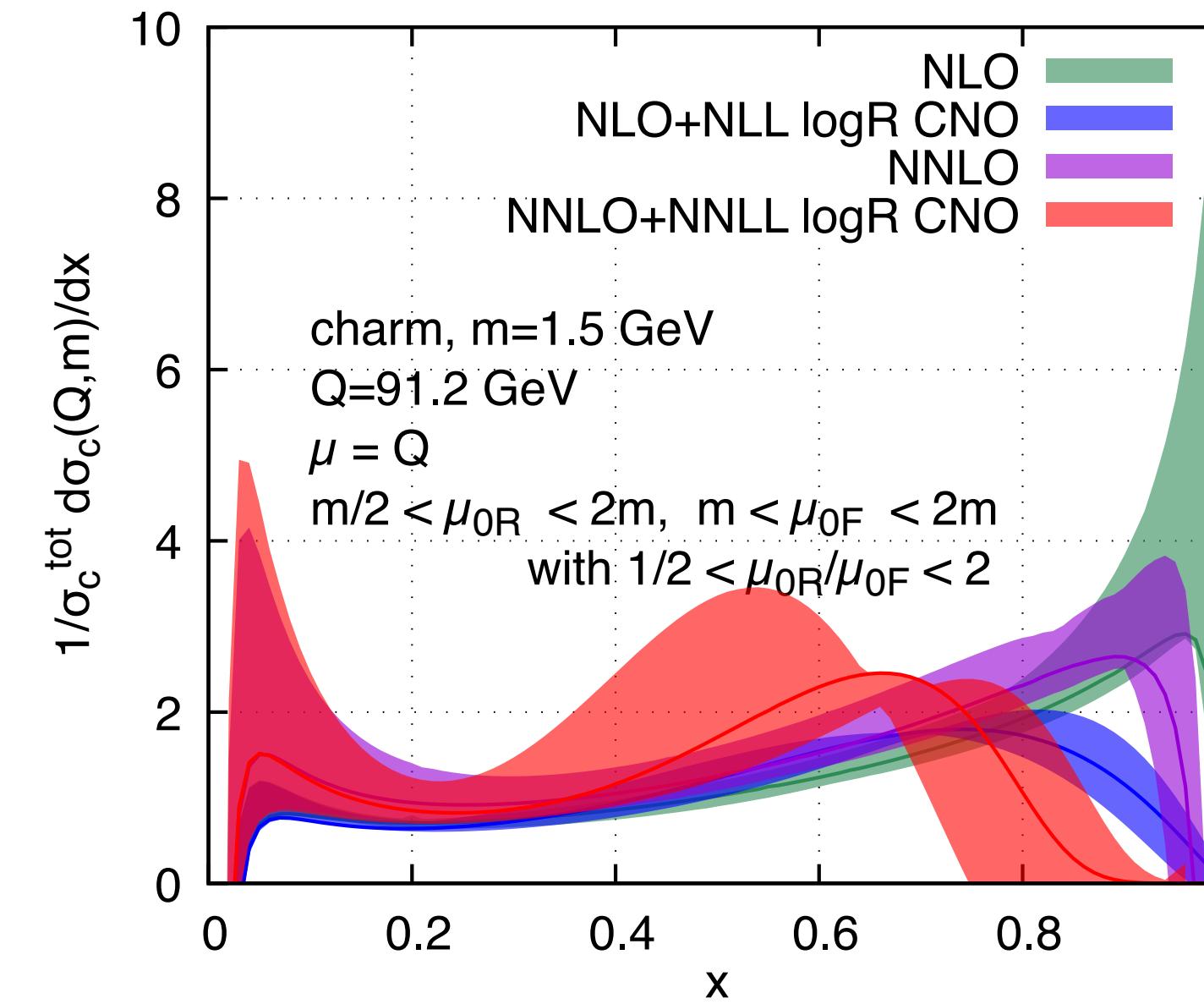
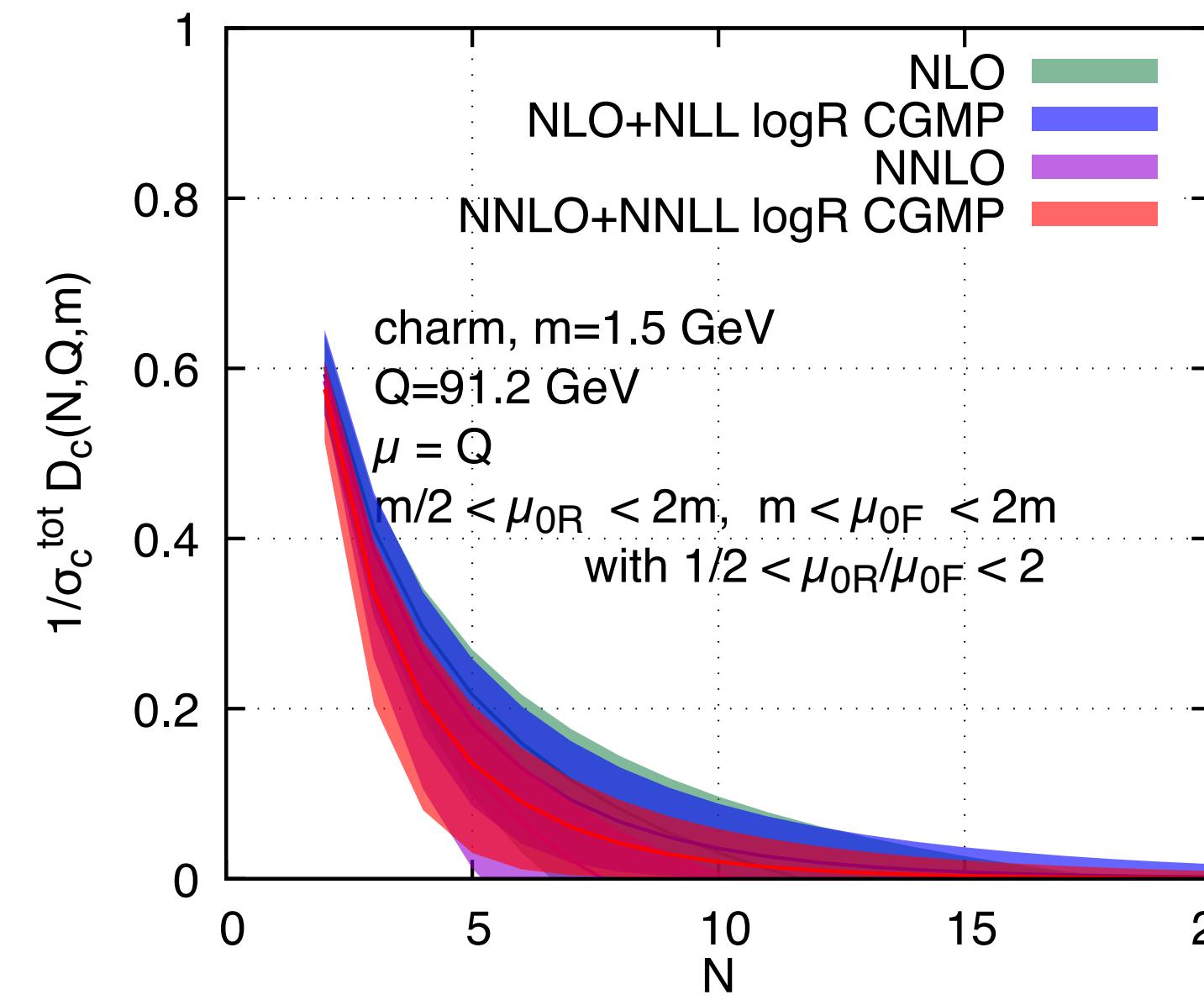
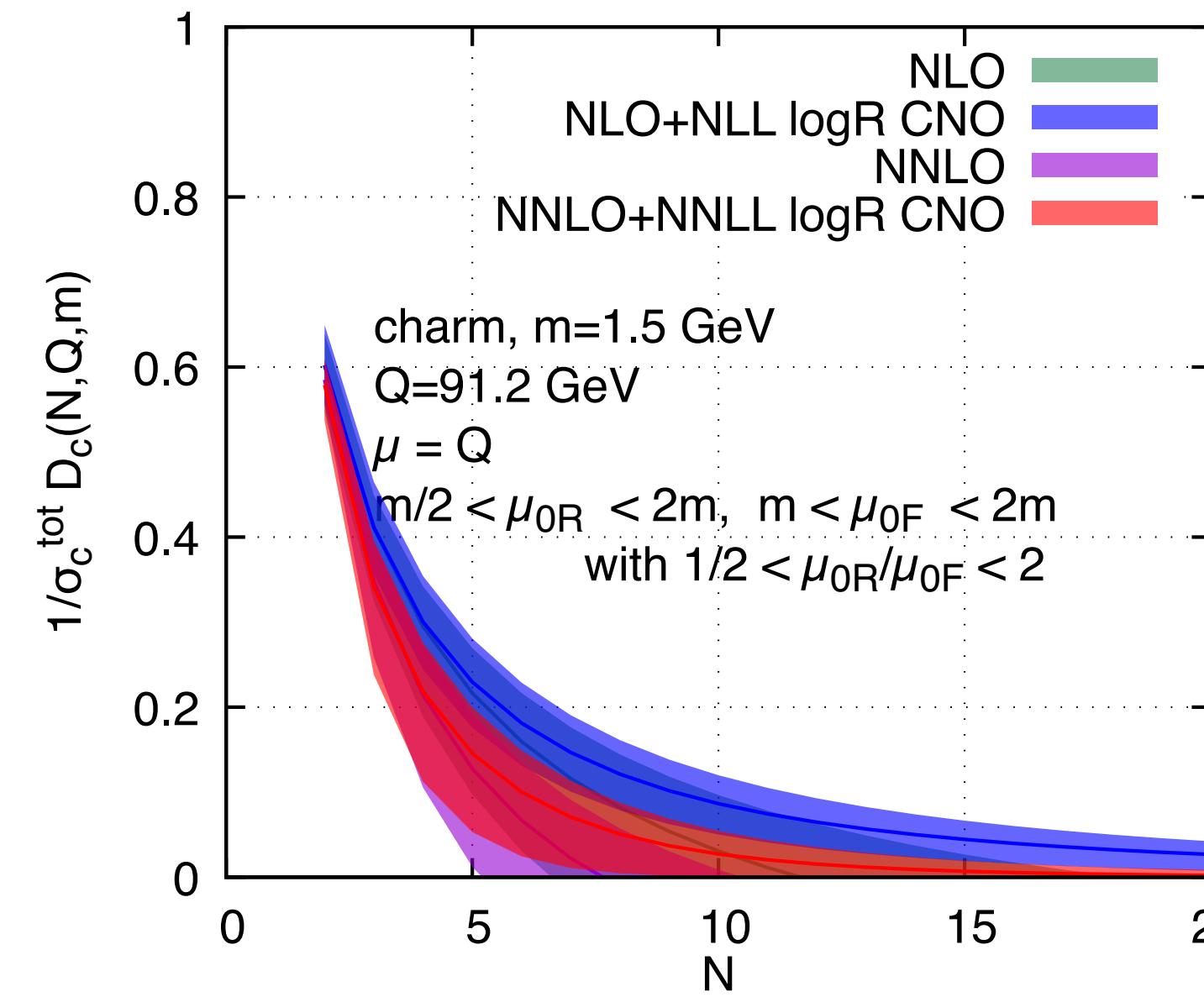
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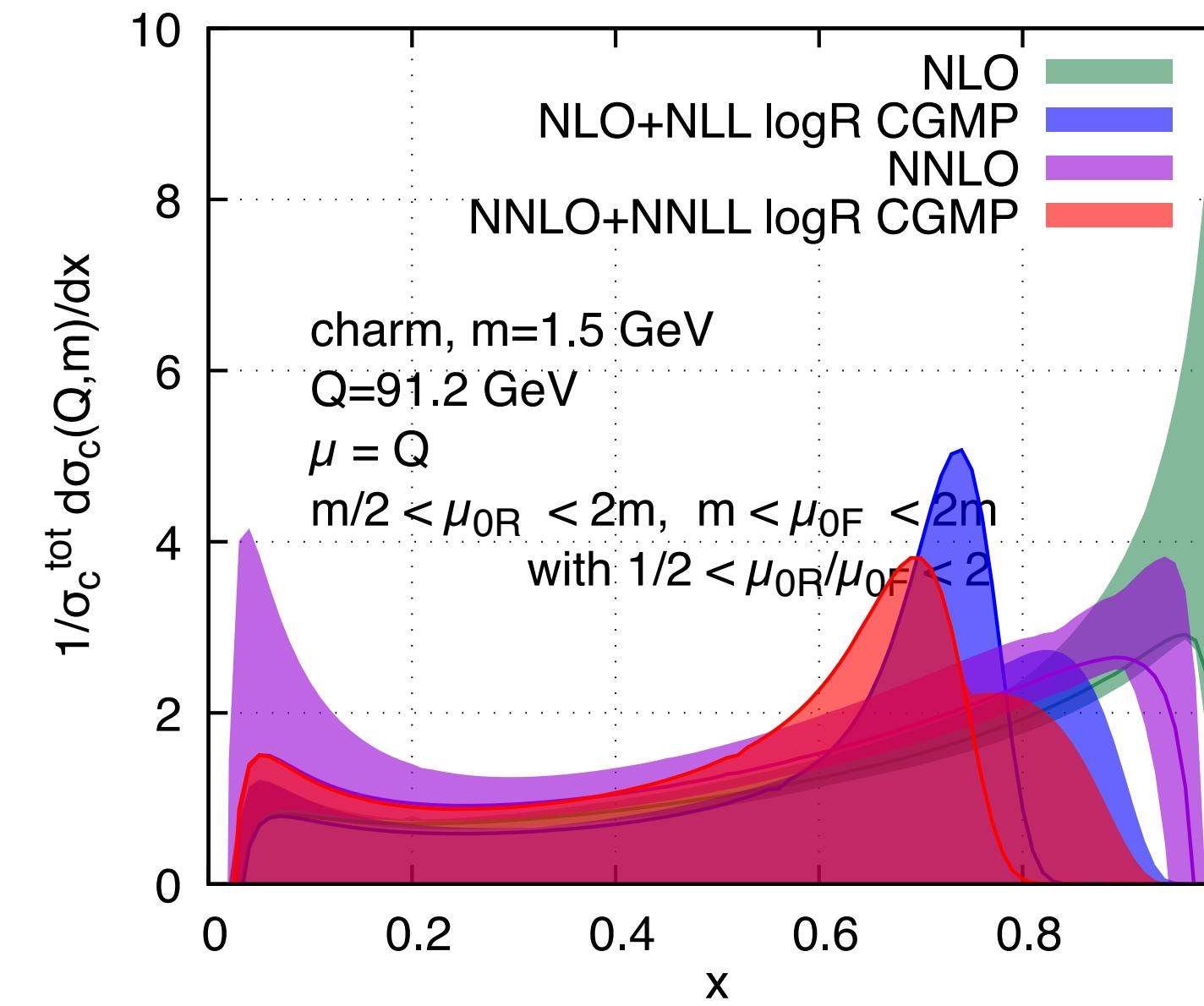


CGMP

# Charm initial scales variations



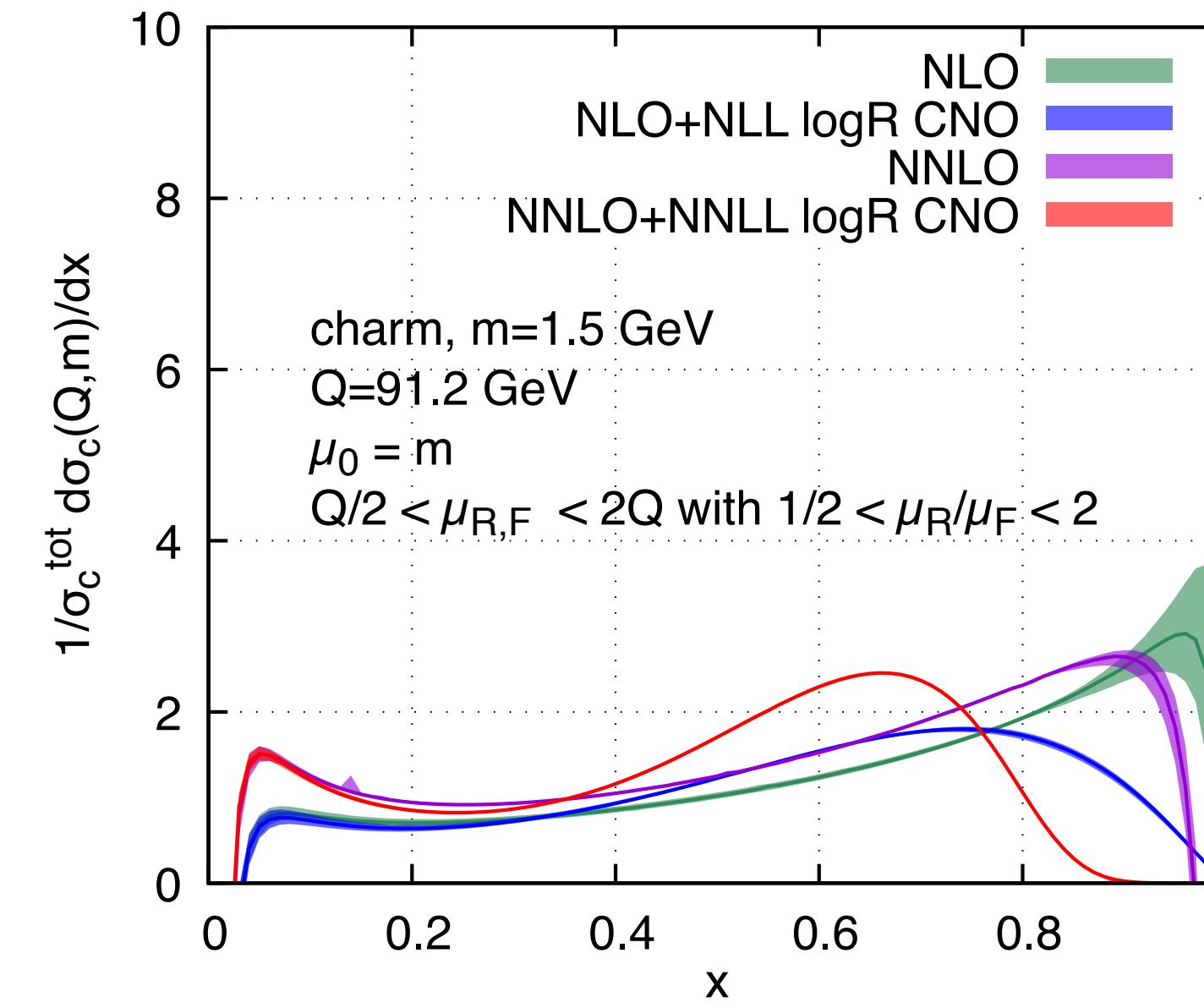
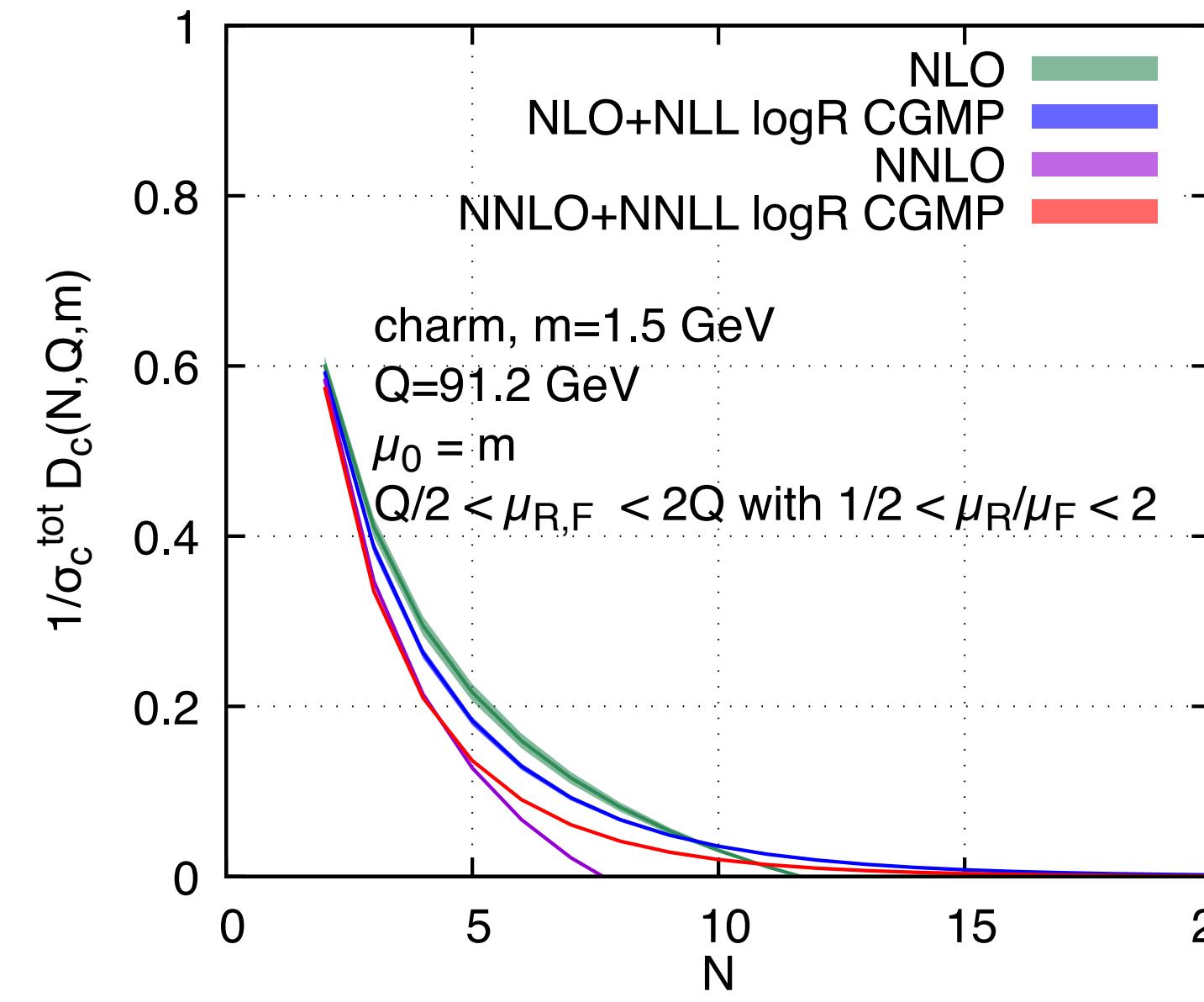
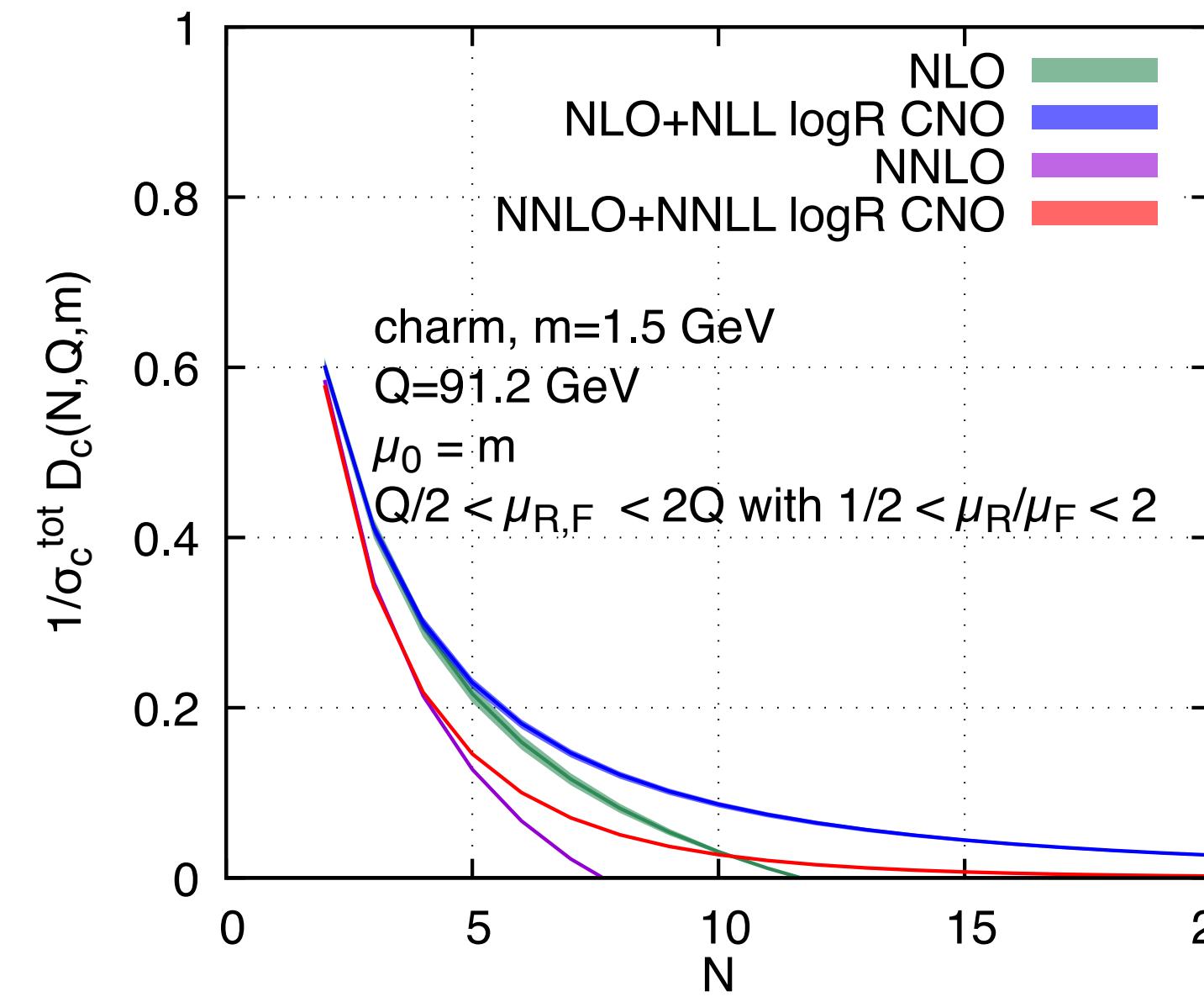
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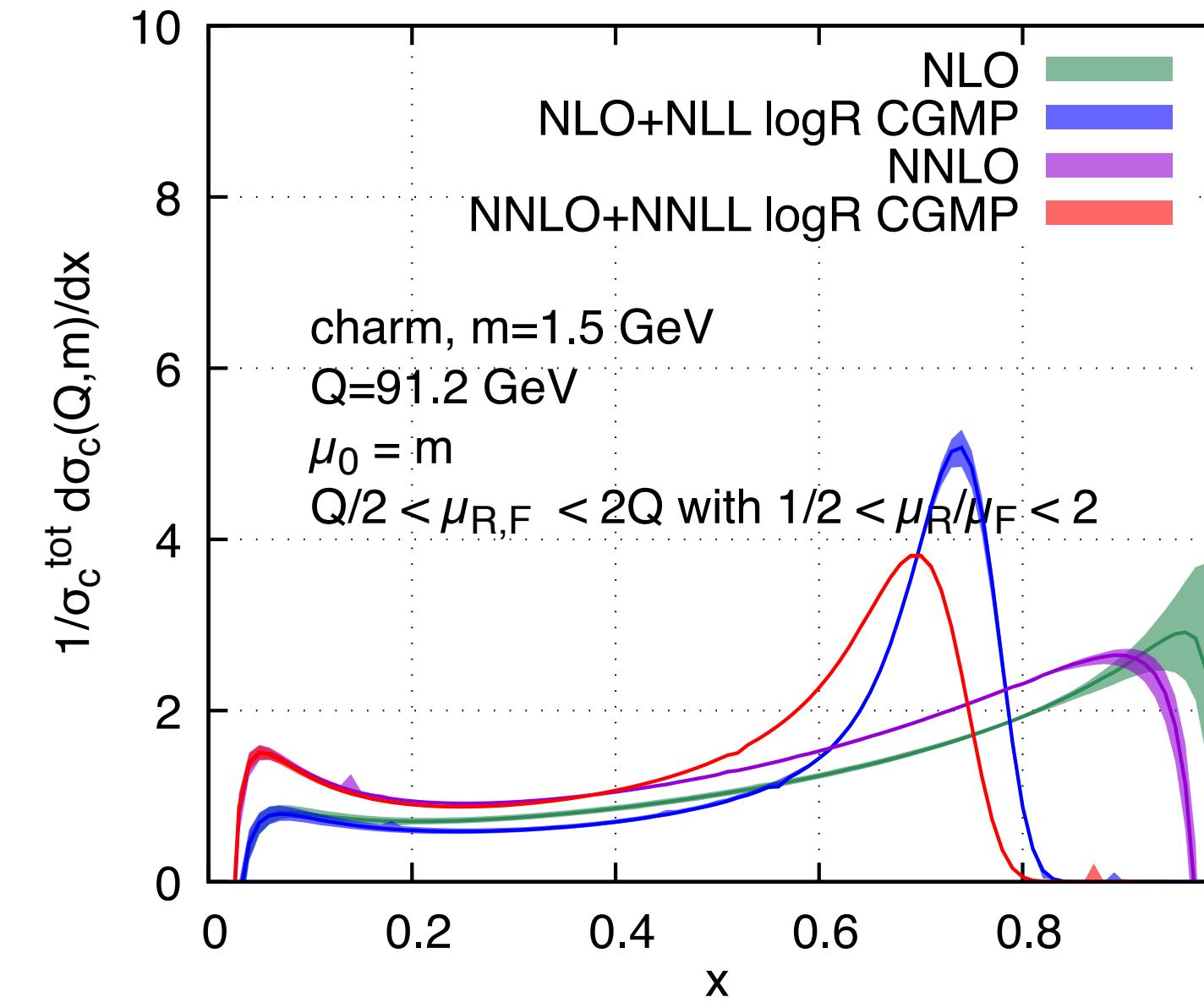
CGMP

Bands a bit all over  
the place

# Charm final scales variations



CNO



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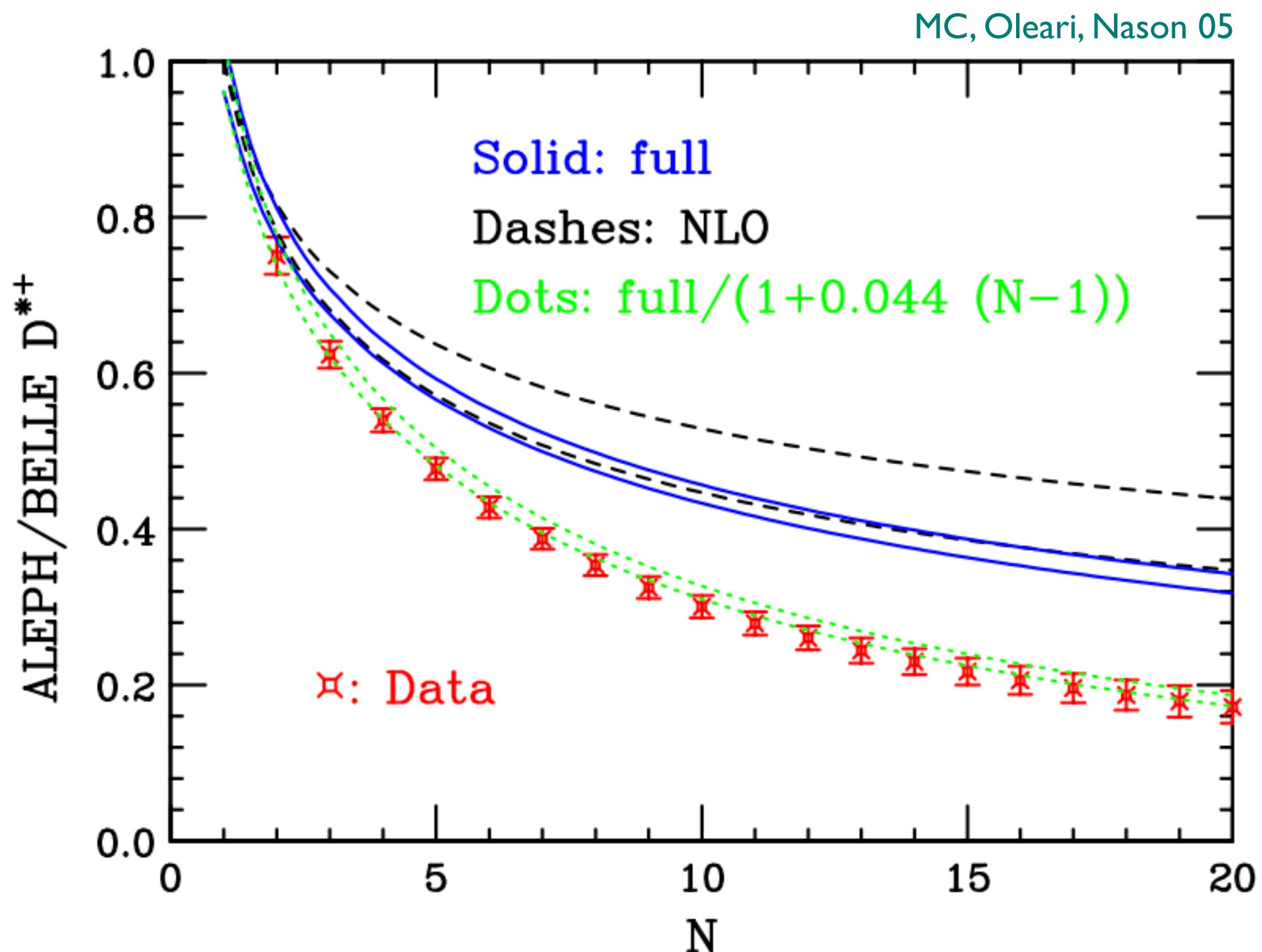
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# A first observable: charm ratio

$$R_D(N, Q_i, Q_f) \equiv \frac{\sigma_D(N, Q_f = 91.2, m = 1.5, \text{np pars})}{\sigma_D(N, Q_i = 10.6, m = 1.5, \text{np pars})}$$

Ratio of moments of D meson data at two different energies

Essentially independent of non-perturbative and low scales physics.  
It tests factorisation and DGLAP evolution from 10.6 GeV to 91.2 GeV



Previously calculated at NLO+NLL and compared to data

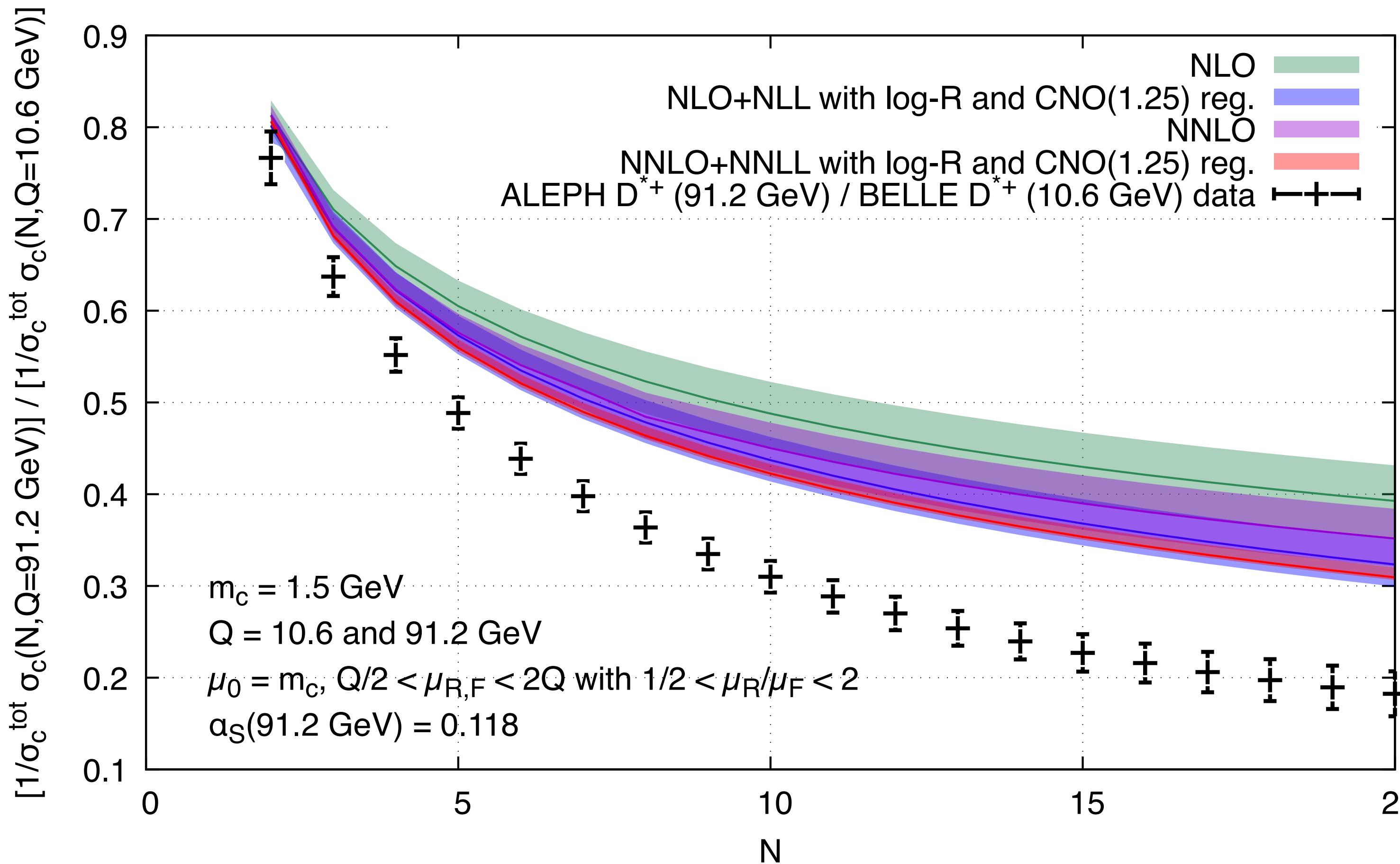
Sizeable discrepancy observed, likely beyond perturbative uncertainties.

A sign of power corrections at 10.6 GeV ?  
A very big coefficient to a  $1/Q^2$  correction, or a reasonably-sized coefficient to an (unexpected)  $1/Q$  correction would fit the data

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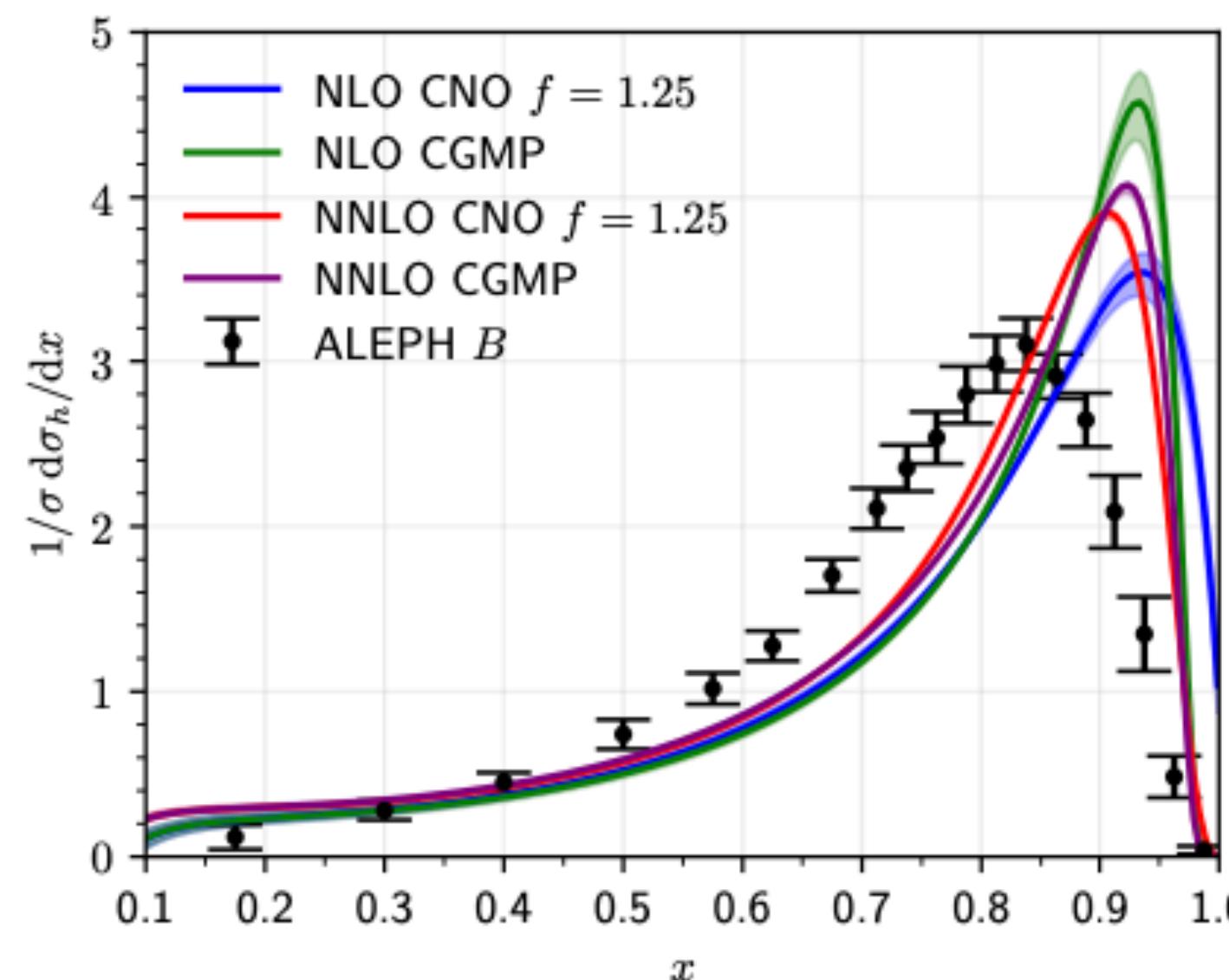
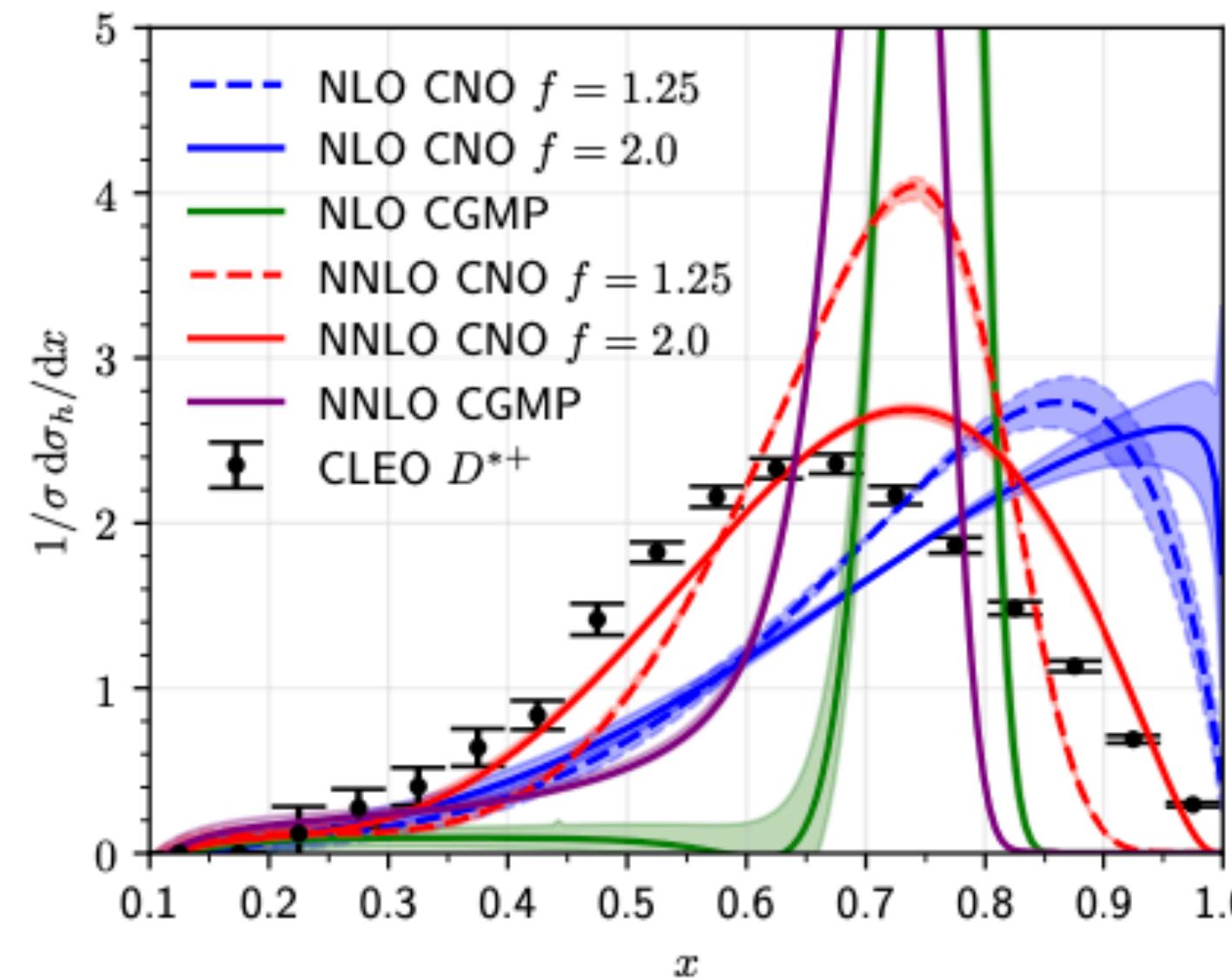
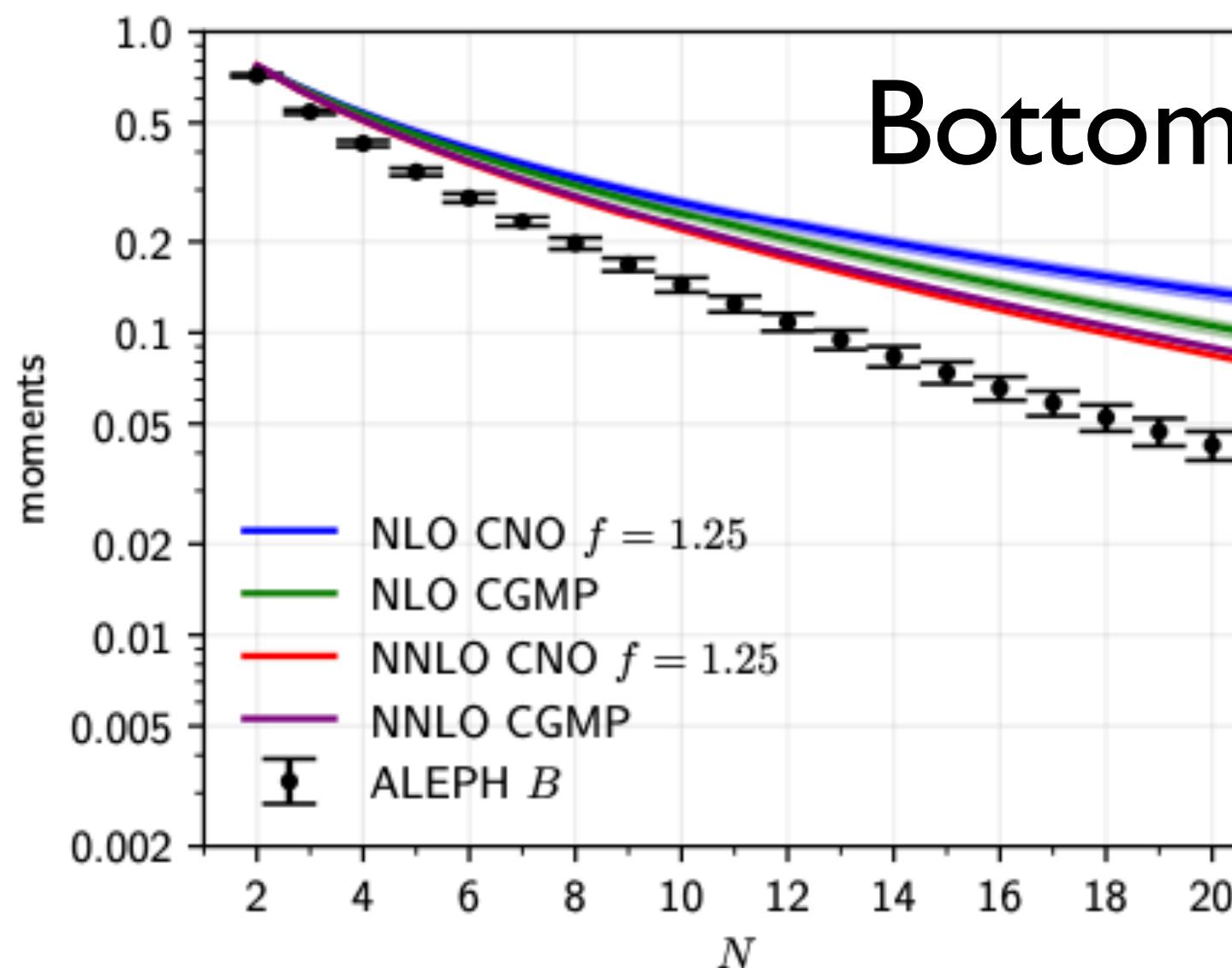
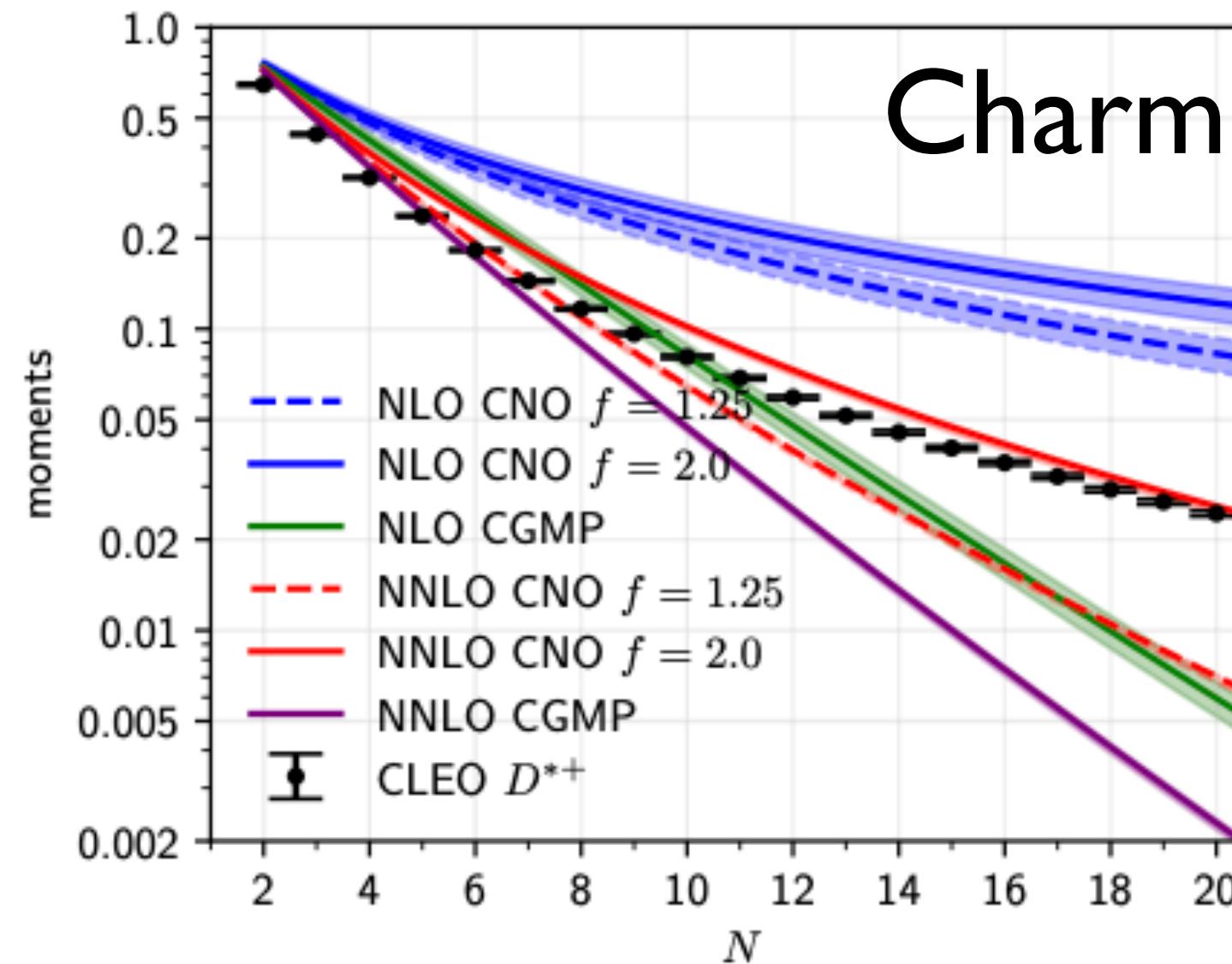


New evaluation at NNLO+NNLL

As expected, perturbatively  
compatible with NLO+NLL

Discrepancy with data unchanged

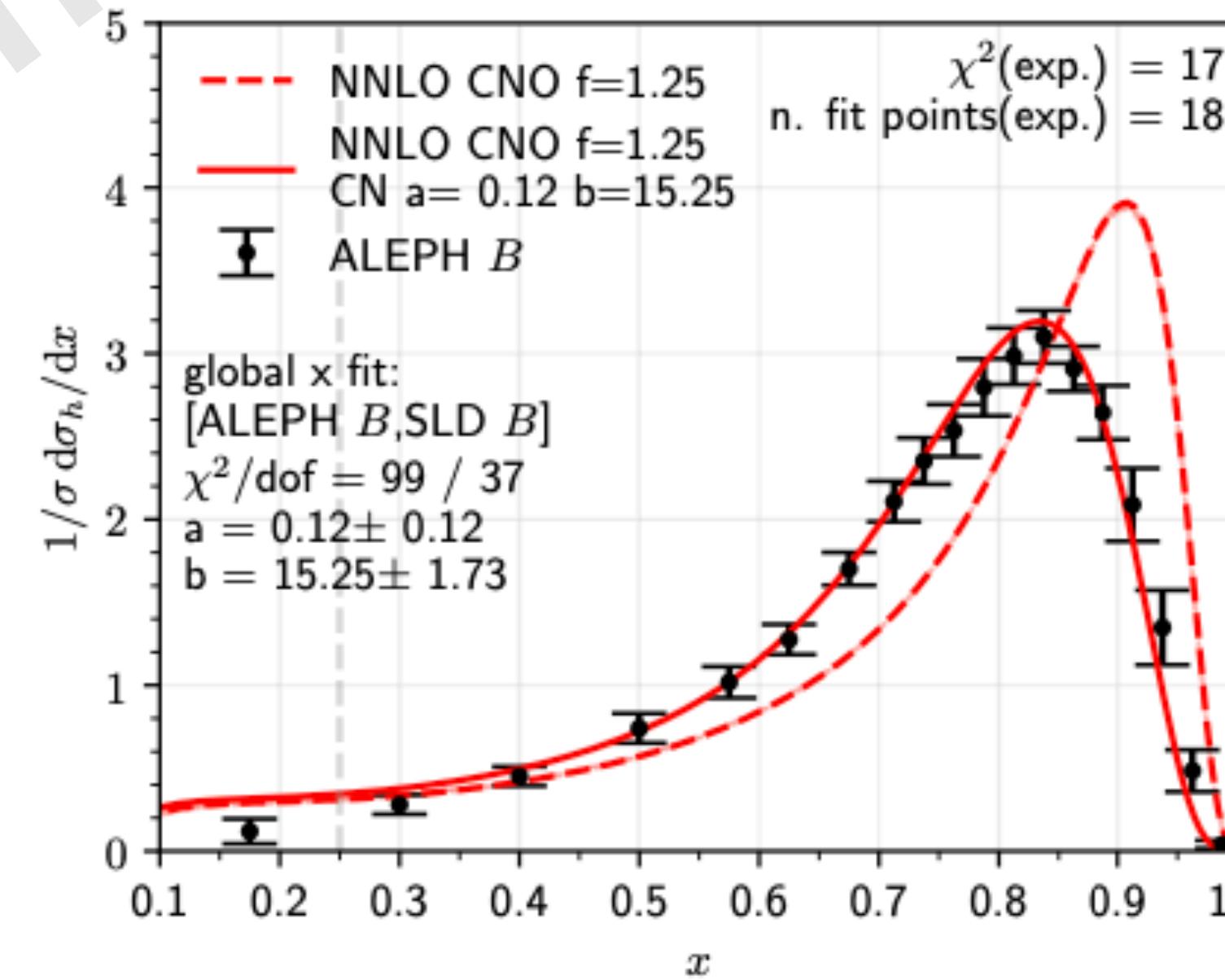
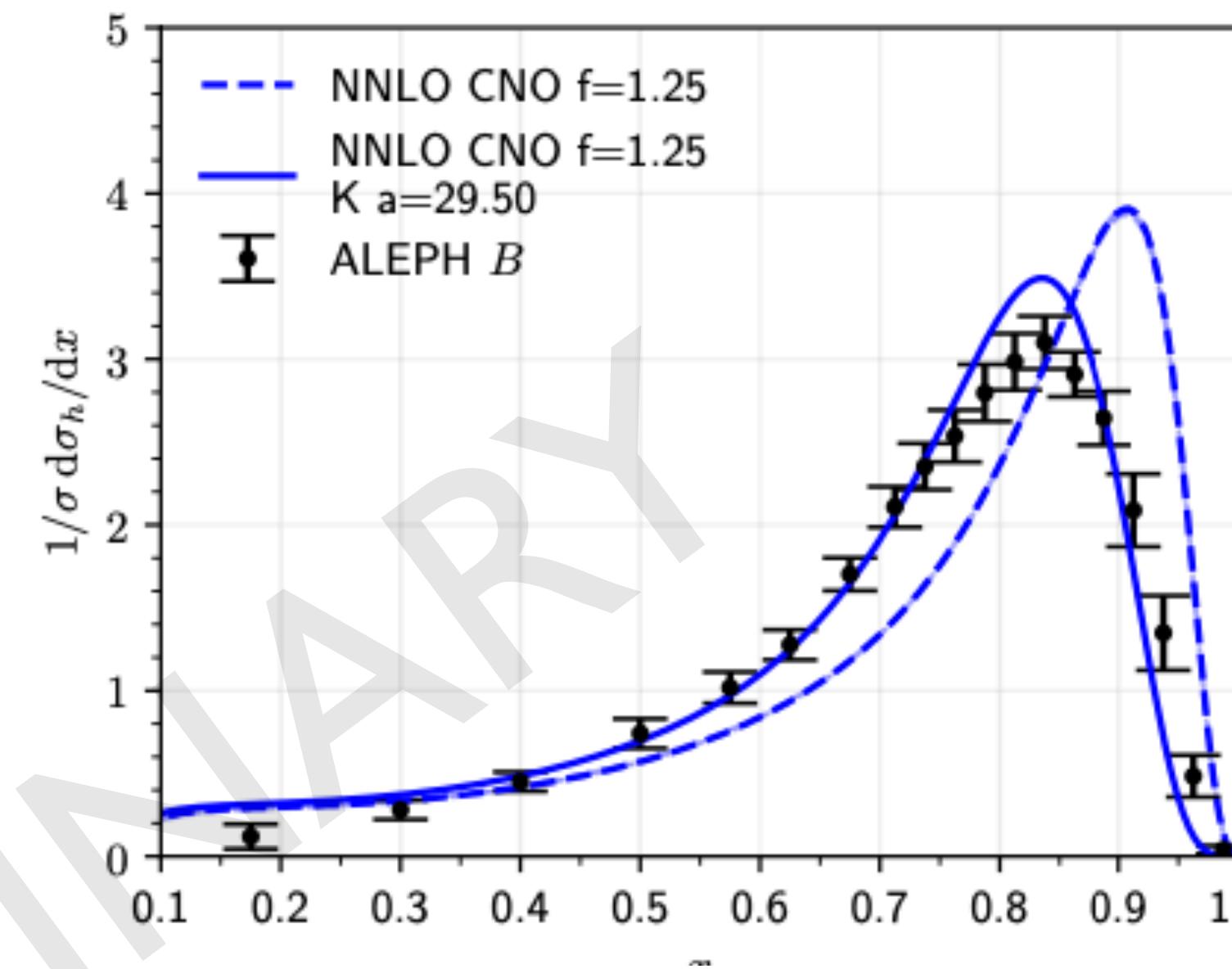
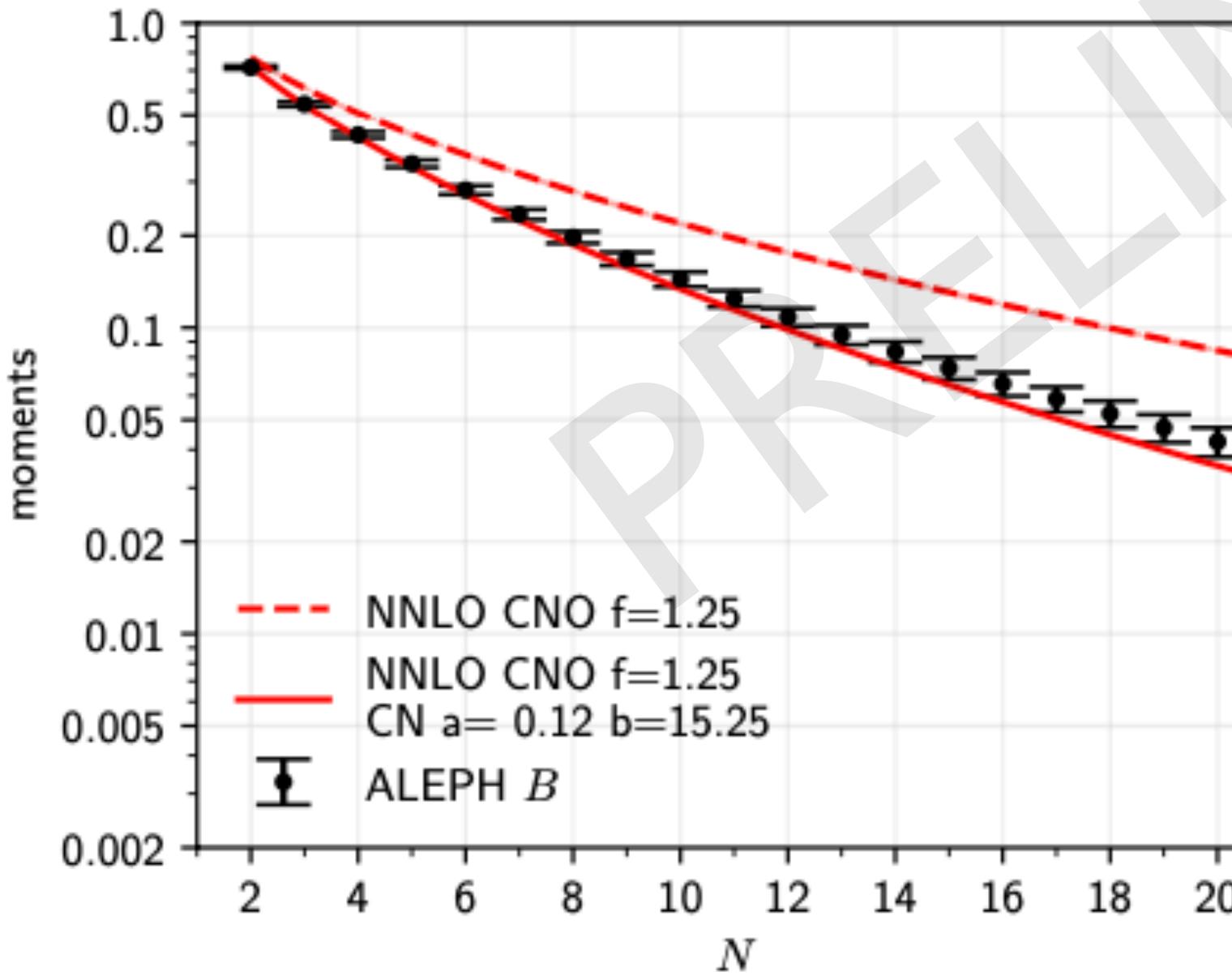
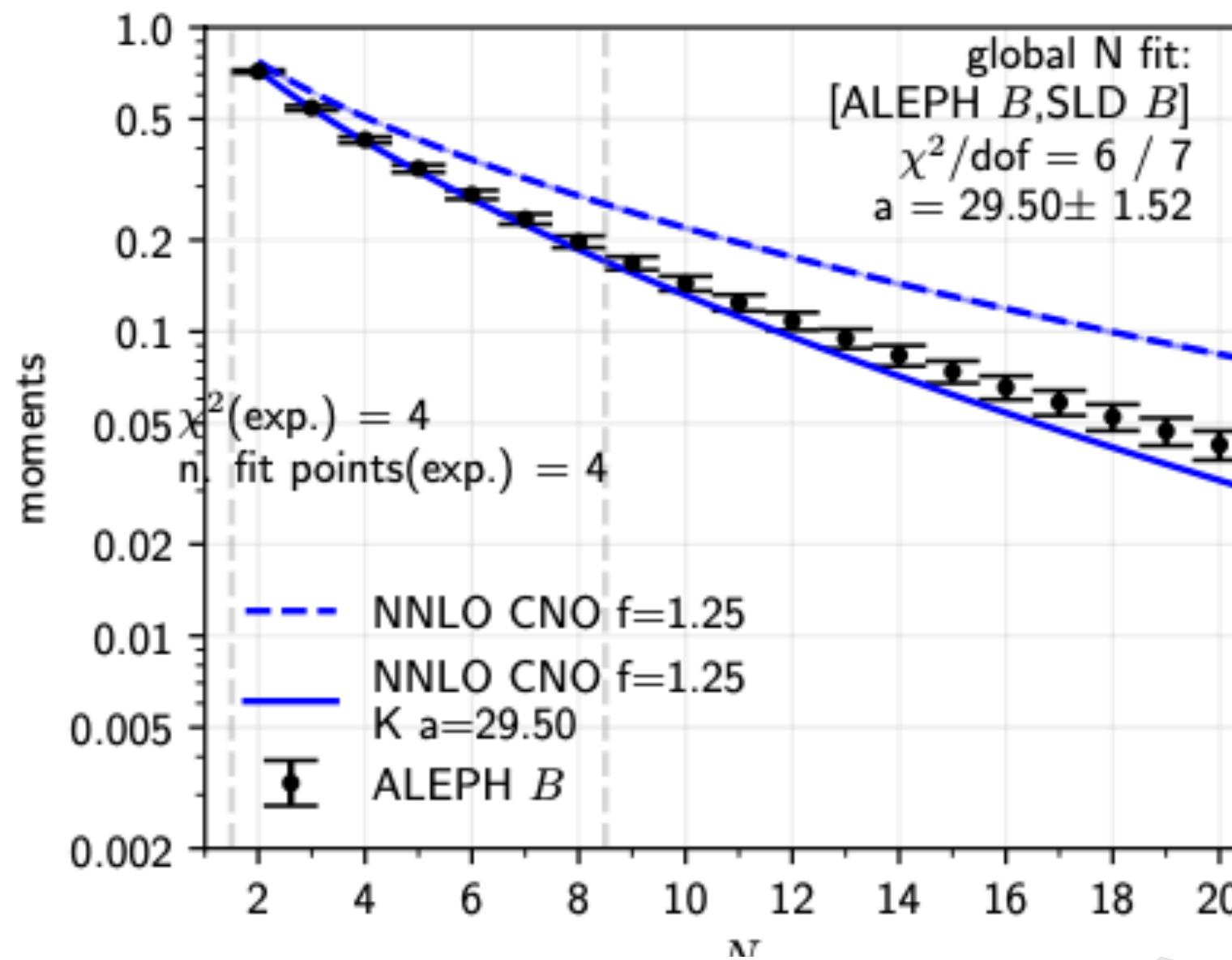
# Comparisons to data



**pQCD + Landau regularisation only**

Challenge of describing data from this baseline clearly larger for charm. The shape of the pQCD+Landau regularisation curve can make fits impossible with a simple non-perturbative parameterisation

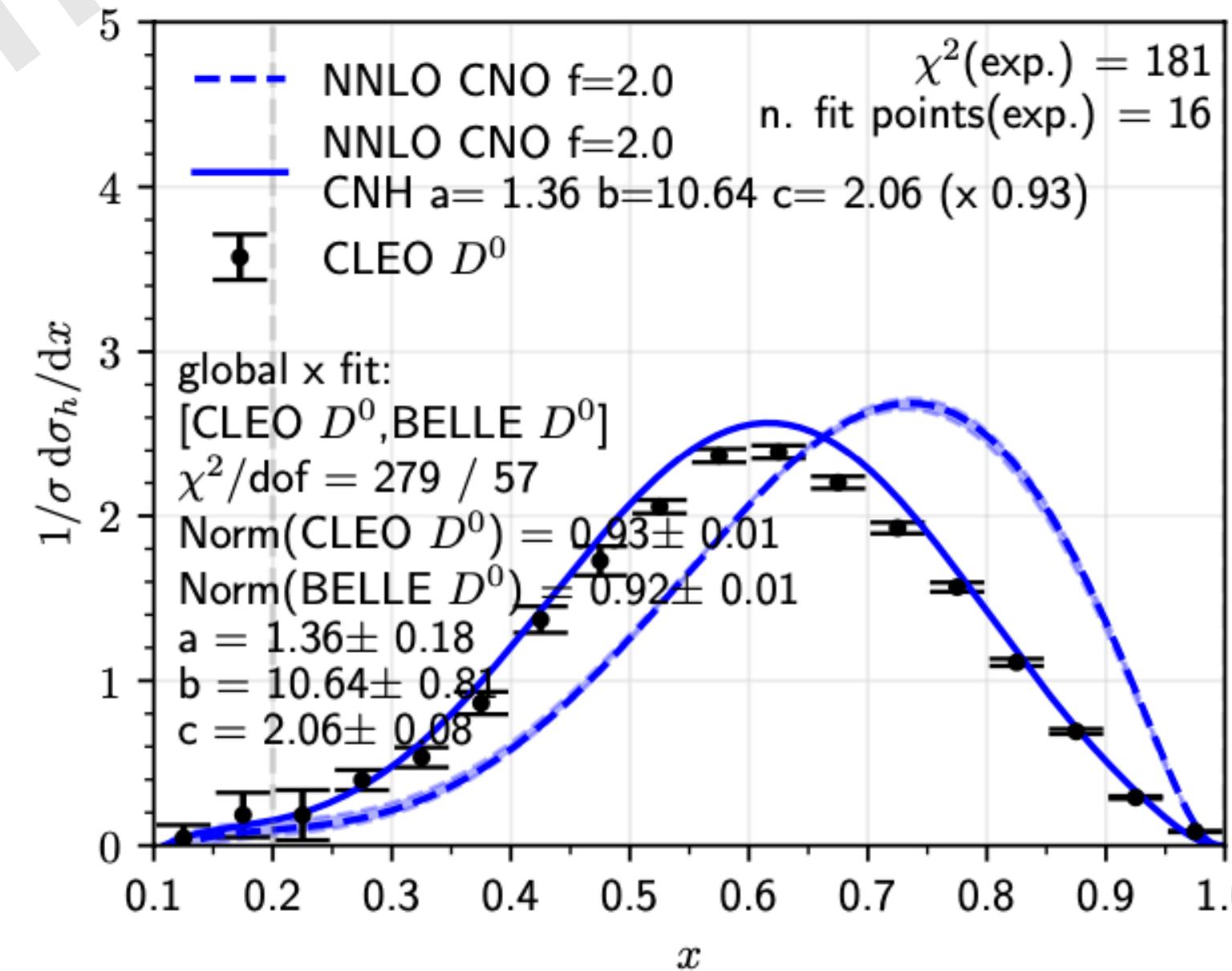
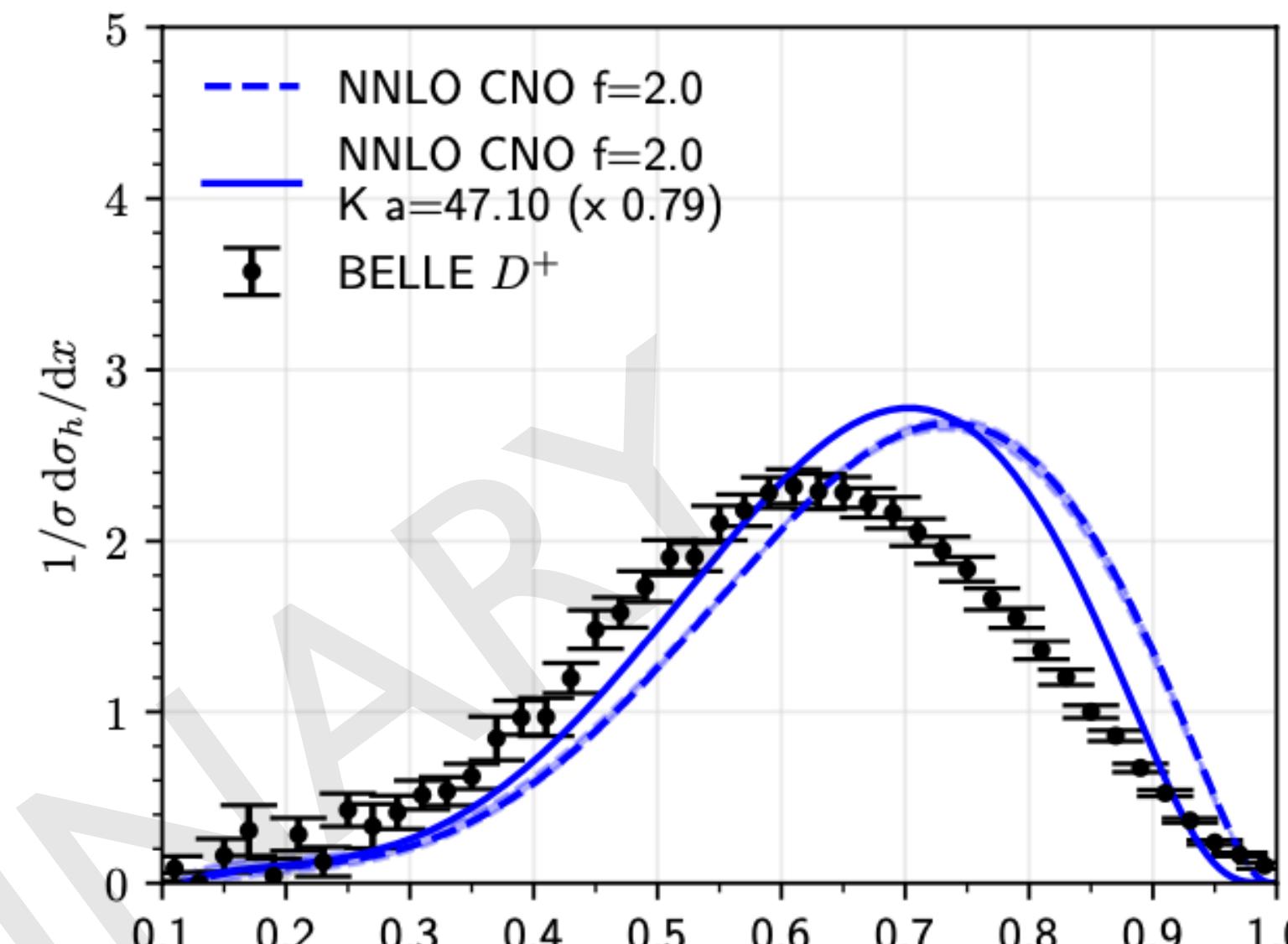
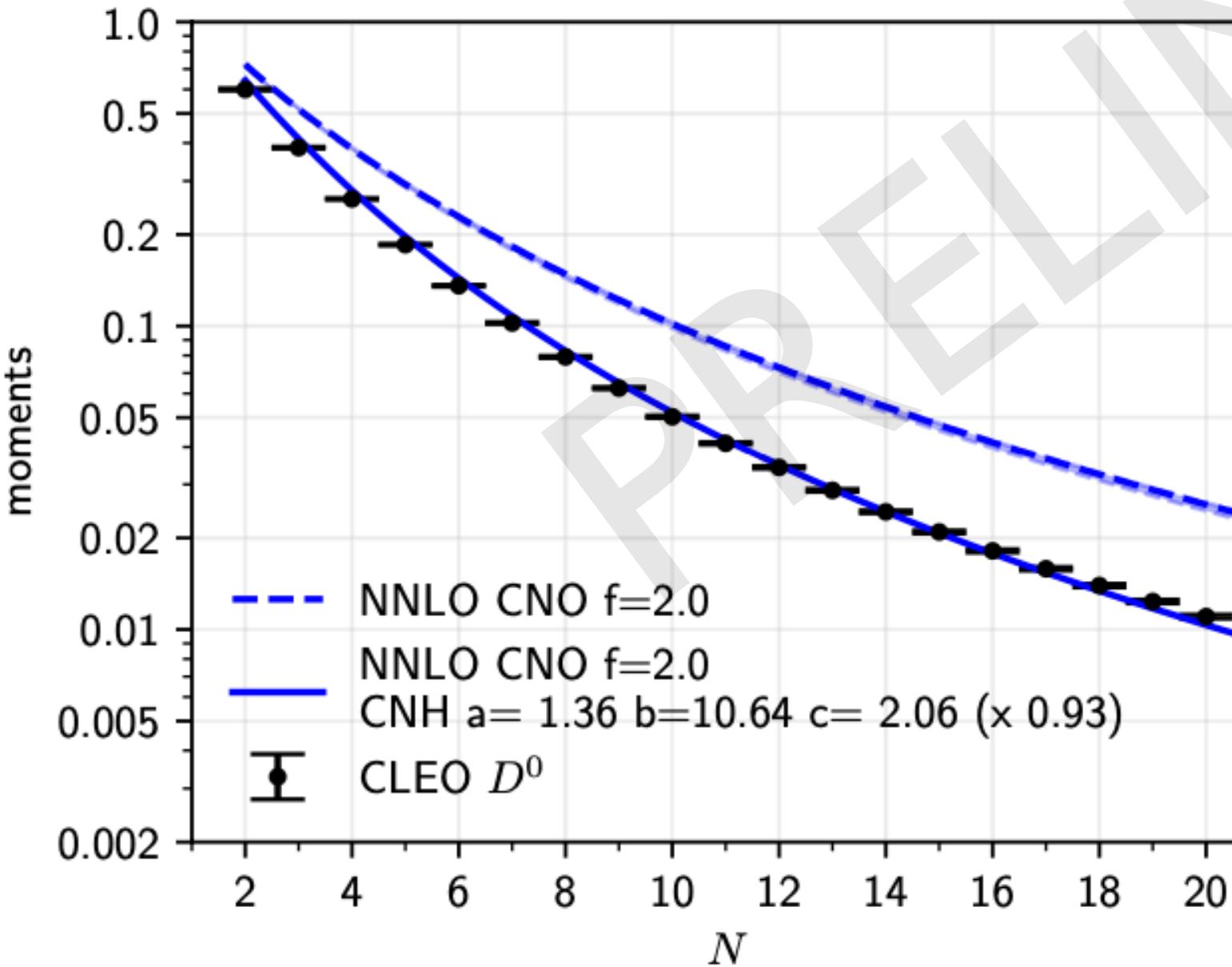
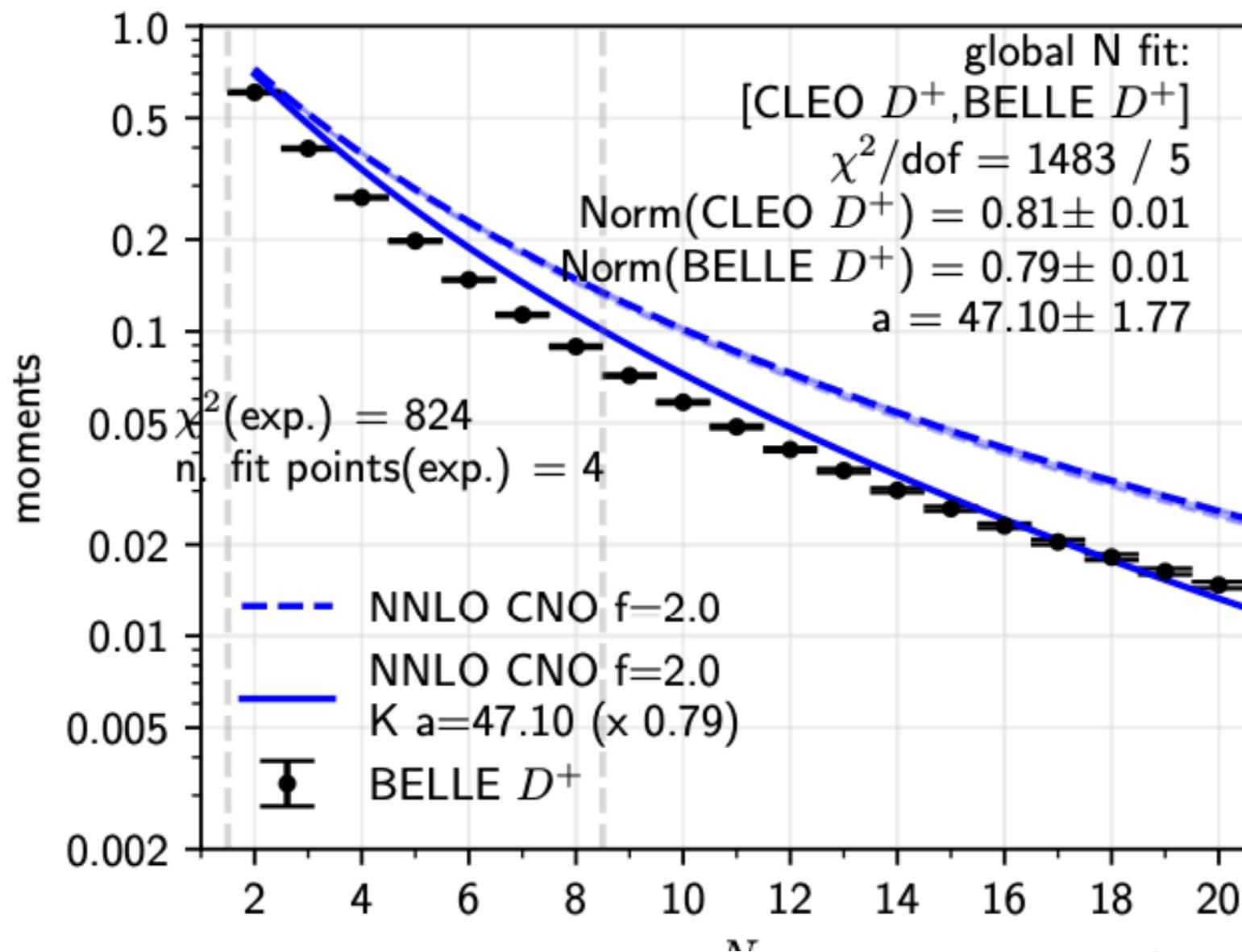
# Global fits to ALEPH+SLD bottom data



Fit in N-space with  
 $D_{\text{NP}}^K(x) = (a + 1)(a + 2)x^a(1 - x)$   
 (Kartvelishvili et al.)

Fit in x-space with  
 $D_{\text{NP}}^{CN}(x) = \frac{\Gamma(a + b + 2)}{\Gamma(a + 1)\Gamma(b + 1)} (1 - x)^a x^b$   
 (Colangelo-Nason)

# Global fits to CLEO+Belle charm data



Fit in N-space with

$$D_{\text{NP}}^K(x) = (a + 1)(a + 2)x^a(1 - x)$$

(Kartvelishvili et al.)

Fit in x-space with

$$D_{\text{NP}}^{CNH}(x) = \frac{1}{1 + c} \left[ \delta(1 - x) + c N_{a,b}^{-1} (1 - x)^a x^b \right]$$

(Colangelo-Nason + hard component)

- Long history of heavy quark fragmentation
  - Renewed recent interest
  - Multiple implementations at least at NNLO+NNLL accuracy
- Our own work does not seem to show a systematic improvement going from NL to NNL accuracy. Sometimes it's quite the contrary.
- A strong dependence on the choice of the regularisation procedure of the Landau pole is observed. This also affects the perturbative convergence of the resummed predictions
- The interface between perturbative and non-perturbative regions, and how it affects phenomenology, likely deserves further study