#### $\alpha_{s}$ measurements

- $\odot \alpha_{s}$  measurements
- Deep Inelastic Scattering:
  - ★ Sum rules
  - **\*** Scaling violation
  - ★ Jets in DIS
- τ lepton decay
- Quarkonium
- e+e- annihilation
  - ★ hadronic cross sections
  - ★ Z decay
  - ★ Event shapes
  - \* Scaling violation in fragmentation
- Hadron-Hadron scattering

#### $\alpha_{c}$ measurements



Figure 9.4: Summary of measurements of  $\alpha_s$  as a function of the energy scale Q. The respective degree of QCD perturbation theory used in the extraction of  $\alpha_s$  is indicated in brackets (NLO: next-to-leading order; NNLO: next-to-next-to-leading order; NNLO+res.: NNLO matched to a resummed calculation; N<sup>3</sup>LO: next-to-NNLO).

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Figure 9.2: Summary of determinations of  $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$  from the seven sub-fields discussed in the text. The yellow (light shaded) bands and dotted lines indicate the pre-average values of each sub-field. The dashed line and blue (dark shaded) band represent the final world average value of  $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$ . The "\*" symbol within the "hadron colliders" sub-field indicates a determination including a simultaneous fit of PDFs.

# $\alpha_s$ measurement: Scaling Violation in DIS

- In the evolution of  $F_2$  at intermediate value of x (0.01 < x < 0.3),  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  and the xg(x) are strongly correlated through the DGLAP. An increase of  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  can be compensated by a harder xg(x). This has limited, in the past, the precision of the  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  measurements from NLO DGLAP fits using DIS data.
- At small x, (x < 0.01) this correlation becomes weaker  $\Rightarrow xg(x)$  drives the behaviour of  $F_2$  (not only of  $dF_2/dlnQ^2$ ).
- The jets data help a lot: **BGF** directly sensible to xg(x), **QCDC** to  $\alpha_s(M_z)$
- A simultaneous fit of  $\alpha_s(M_Z)$  and of the parameters of the p.d.f. gives:

 $\alpha_{s}(M_{Z}) = 0.1156 \pm 0.0011 (exp.)_{-0.0002}^{+0.0001} (model + parameterization) \pm 0.0029 (scale)$ 

to compare with  $\alpha_{s}(M_{z}) = 0.1179 \pm 0.0009$  (PDG).

## $\alpha_{c}$ measurement: $\tau$ lepton decay

• 
$$R_{\tau}^{th} = \frac{\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \nu_{\tau} + hadrons)}{\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \nu_{\tau} + \bar{\nu}_{e} + e)} = 3S_{EW}(1 + \delta_{pQCD} + \delta_{NPQCD})$$

•  $S_{\rm EW} = 1.0194$  from the electroweak theory

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$$\bullet \delta_{pQCD} = \frac{\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)}{\pi} + 5.2 \left(\frac{\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)}{\pi}\right)^2 + 26.4 \left(\frac{\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)}{\pi}\right)^3 \left(\pm 130 \left(\frac{\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)}{\pi}\right)^4\right)$$

• 
$$\delta_{\text{NPQCD}} = -0.007 \pm 0.004$$
  
•  $R_{\tau}^{\text{exp}} = \frac{1 - B_e - B_{\mu}}{B_l} = \frac{1}{B_l} - 1 - f_{\mu}$  with  $f_{\mu} = 0.9726$  phase space correction  
 $B_l$  can be measured in 3 different manners: from the leptonic branching ratio of  $e$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $B_e = B_l e B_{\mu}$   
 $= f_{\mu}B_l$ , and from the life time  $\tau_{\tau} = B_l \tau_{\mu} (m_{\mu}/m_{\tau})^5$ 

• 
$$\alpha_s(M_\tau^2) = 0.312 \pm 0.015 \rightarrow \alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1178 \pm 0.0019$$

# $\alpha_s$ measurement: hadron collider jets

- $\bigcirc$  D0, the other experiment at the TEVATRON collider, has measured  $\alpha_s$  with the Run II data
- The coupling is obtained by the single-jet inclusive cross section at a CM energy of  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV
- The  $d^2\sigma_{iet}/dp_T dy$  is measured (y is the rapidity)
- The jets are recognized by a cone-algorithm with radius R = 0.7



D0 uses only these events with central jets, where the detector is well calibrated |y| < 1.6, and at an energy not very high ( $50 < p_T < 145$  GeV) to avoid a region where the cross section for jet production is used to constrain the PDF.

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# α<sub>s</sub> measurement: hadron collider jets

• From the theoretical point of view:

$$\sigma(\alpha_s(M_Z)) = \sigma_{pert}(\alpha_s(M_Z)) \cdot c_{nonpert} = \left( \left( \sum_n \alpha_s^n c_n \right) \otimes f_1(\alpha_s) \otimes f_2(\alpha_s) \right) \cdot c_{nonpert}$$

- $f_1, f_2$  are the structure functions of the proton and of the antiproton
- $\bigcirc$   $\otimes$  convolution,
- $c_{nonpert}$  contains the corrections due to the hadronization and underlying event
- The  $\alpha_s$  value is obtained through a minimization procedure between experimental data and the theoretical formula.



**Figure 1:** A drawing, illustrating jet production in a proton anti-proton collision with the hard scattering process, initial state, final state radiation and hadronisation (jet fragmentation) including the underlying event.

## $\alpha_s$ measurement: hadron collider jets



 $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1161^{\pm 0.0041}_{-0.0048}$ 

#### **Inclusive Jet Ratios**



Good agreement overall, except here for  $p_T^{\text{lead}} < 140 \text{ GeV}$ 

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### **Inclusive Jet Ratios**



## Inclusive 3-Jet / Inclusive 2-Jet Ratio ( $R_{3/2}$ ) ( $\sqrt{s}$ = 7 TeV)

Measure  $R_{3/2}$  vs.  $\langle p_{T1,2} \rangle$ , the average  $p_T$  of the two leading jets in the event

Compare data to NLO QCD  $\rightarrow$  Good agreement! Extract  $\alpha_s(M_z) = 0.1148 \pm 0.0014 \text{ (exp.)} \pm 0.0018 \text{ (PDF)} \stackrel{+0.0050}{-0.0000} \text{ (scale)}$ 

#### First determination of α<sub>s</sub> from measurements at Q scales up to 1 TeV







