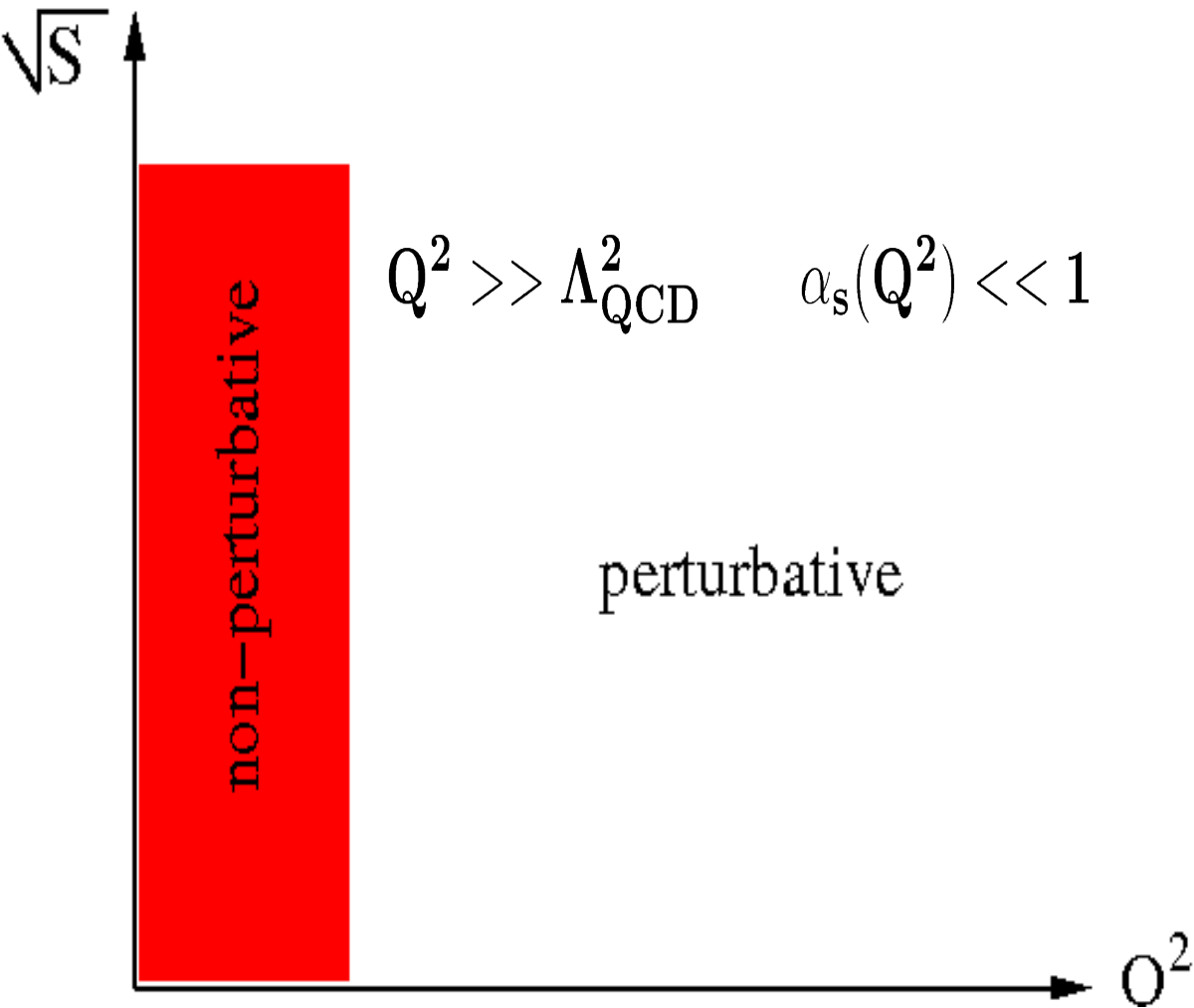


# **Introduction to High Energy Nuclear Collisions II (QCD at high gluon density)**

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# Perturbative QCD

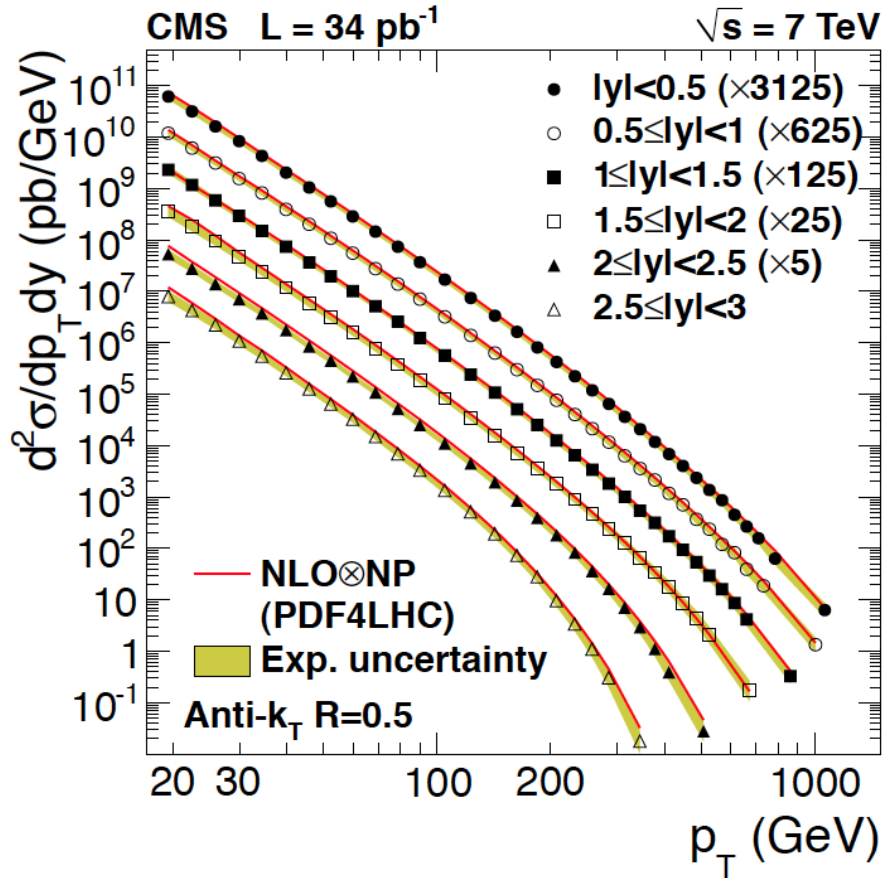


pQCD tools:  
twist expansion,  
collinear factorization

$$\sqrt{S} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$$

# pQCD: a success story



*but bulk of QCD phenomena happens at low  $Q$*



# so far we have considered PQCD in the Bjorken limit

$$Q^2, S \rightarrow \infty \quad x_{Bj} \equiv \frac{Q^2}{S} \text{ fixed}$$

*DGLAP evolution of partons*

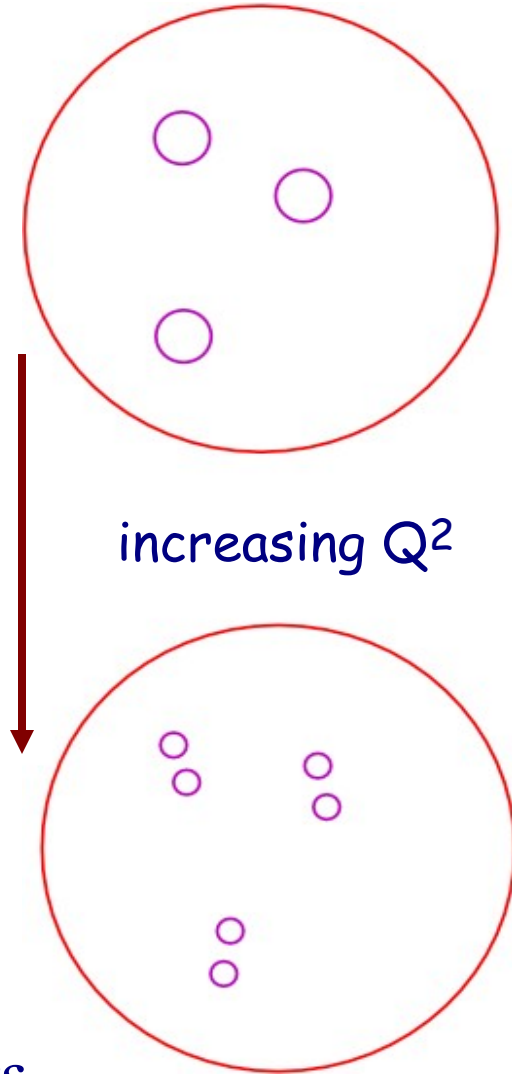
*number of partons increases with  $Q^2$   
but parton number density decreases  
**hadron becomes more dilute***

*Excellent tool for high  $Q^2$  inclusive observables  
higher twists become important at low  $Q^2$*

*Not designed to treat collective phenomena:*

- shadowing*
- multiple scattering*
- diffraction*
- impact parameter dependence*
- .....*

*Extension beyond leading twist is very difficult  
many-body dynamics hidden in parameters*



# QCD in the Regge-Gribov limit

recall  $X_{Bj} \equiv \frac{Q^2}{S}$

$S \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $Q^2$  fixed :  $X_{Bj} \rightarrow 0$



Regge



Gribov

*why QCD at high energy/small  $x$ ?*

# *why QCD at small $x$ ?*

*many formal as well as practical reasons*

*QCD dynamics at high energy*

*beyond partons: collective dynamics in a hadron/nucleus  
wave function*

*initial state/early stage of high energy nuclear collisions*

*cosmic rays/ultra high energy neutrinos*

.....

Remember the light cone variables

$$\mathbf{P}^+ \equiv \frac{\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P}_z}{\sqrt{2}}, \mathbf{P}^- \equiv \frac{\mathbf{E} - \mathbf{P}_z}{\sqrt{2}}, \mathbf{P}_t = \mathbf{P}_t$$

Define rapidity

$$y \equiv \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{\mathbf{P}^+}{\mathbf{P}^-} = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P}_z}{\mathbf{E} - \mathbf{P}_z} \rightarrow v_z$$

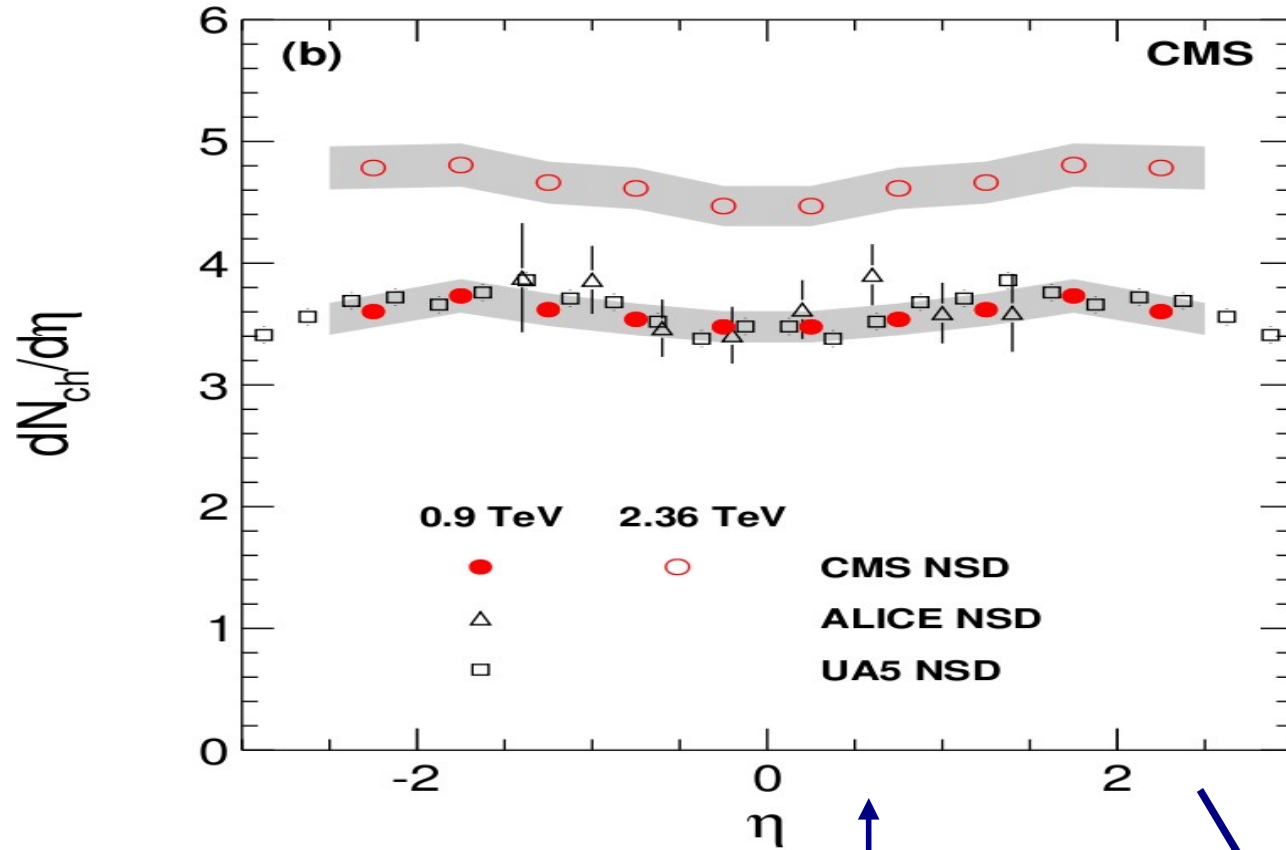
Under boosts:  $y \rightarrow y + \Psi$

Define pseudo-rapidity

$$\eta \equiv -\ln \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$y = \ln \frac{\sqrt{m^2 + \mathbf{p}_t^2} \cosh^2 \eta + \mathbf{p}_t \sinh \eta}{\sqrt{\mathbf{p}_t^2 + m^2}}$$

# pp collisions at LHC



7 TeV data now available

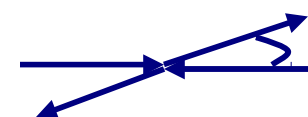
most particles produced with  $p_t < 1 \text{ GeV}$

$$\frac{p_t}{\sqrt{S}} e^{-\eta} \rightarrow 0$$

$$y \sim \ln \frac{\sqrt{S}}{M_N}$$

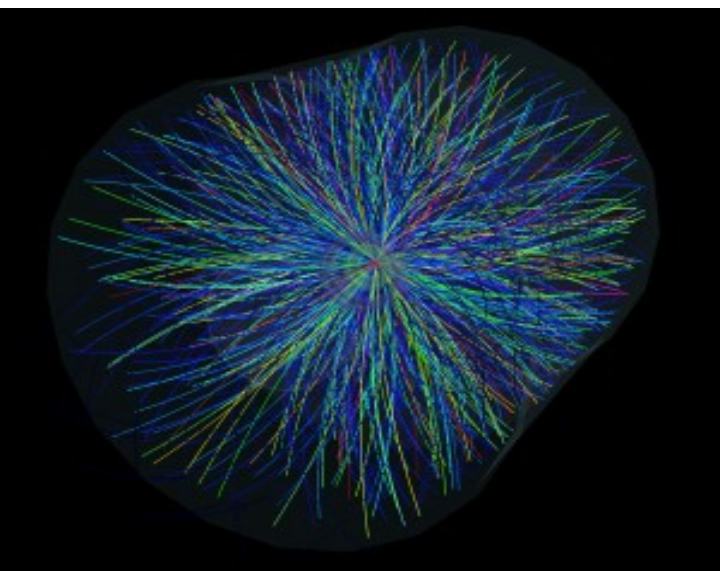
mid-rapidity  $\theta = 90$

forward-rapidity  $\theta \rightarrow 0$



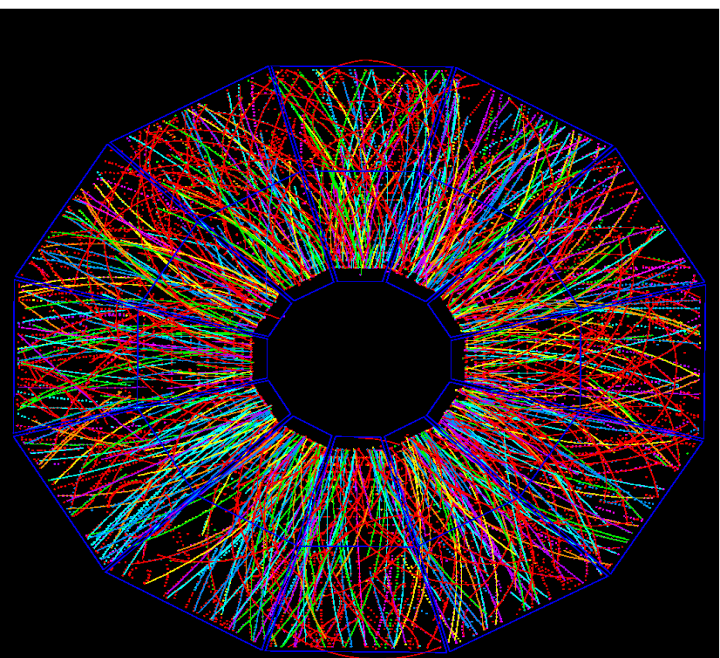
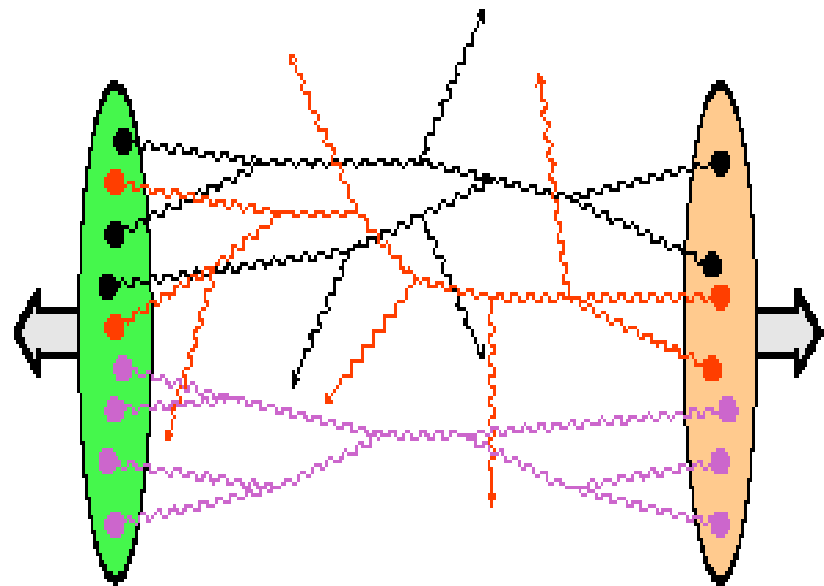


# Nucleus-nucleus collisions at LHC



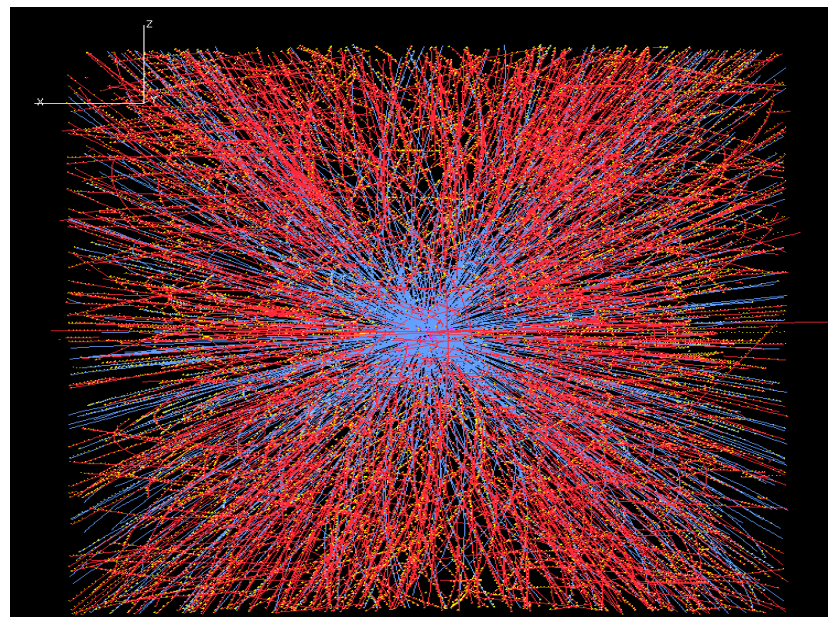
$$\frac{dN_{\text{ch}}}{d\eta} \sim 1600$$

at LHC

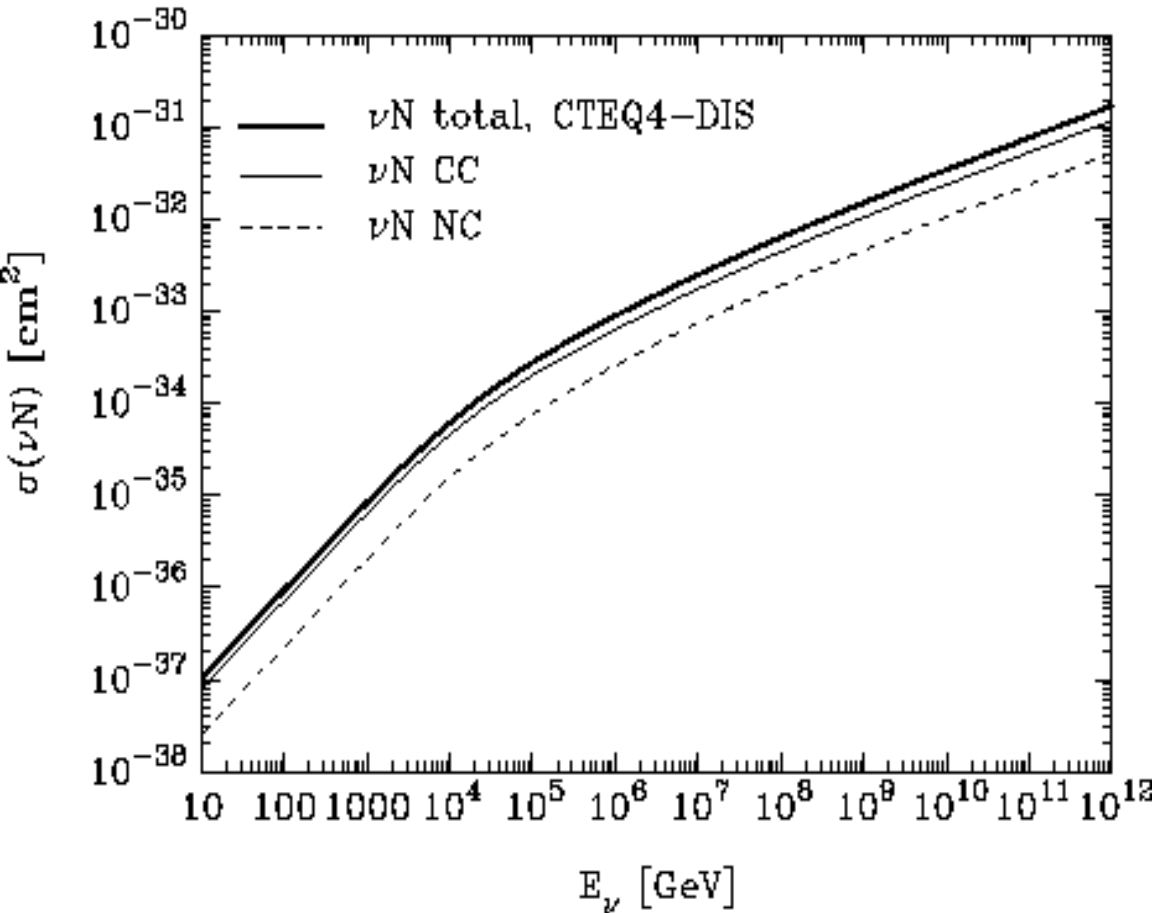


$$\frac{dN_{\text{ch}}}{d\eta} \sim 700$$

at RHIC



# Ultra-High Energy Neutrinos



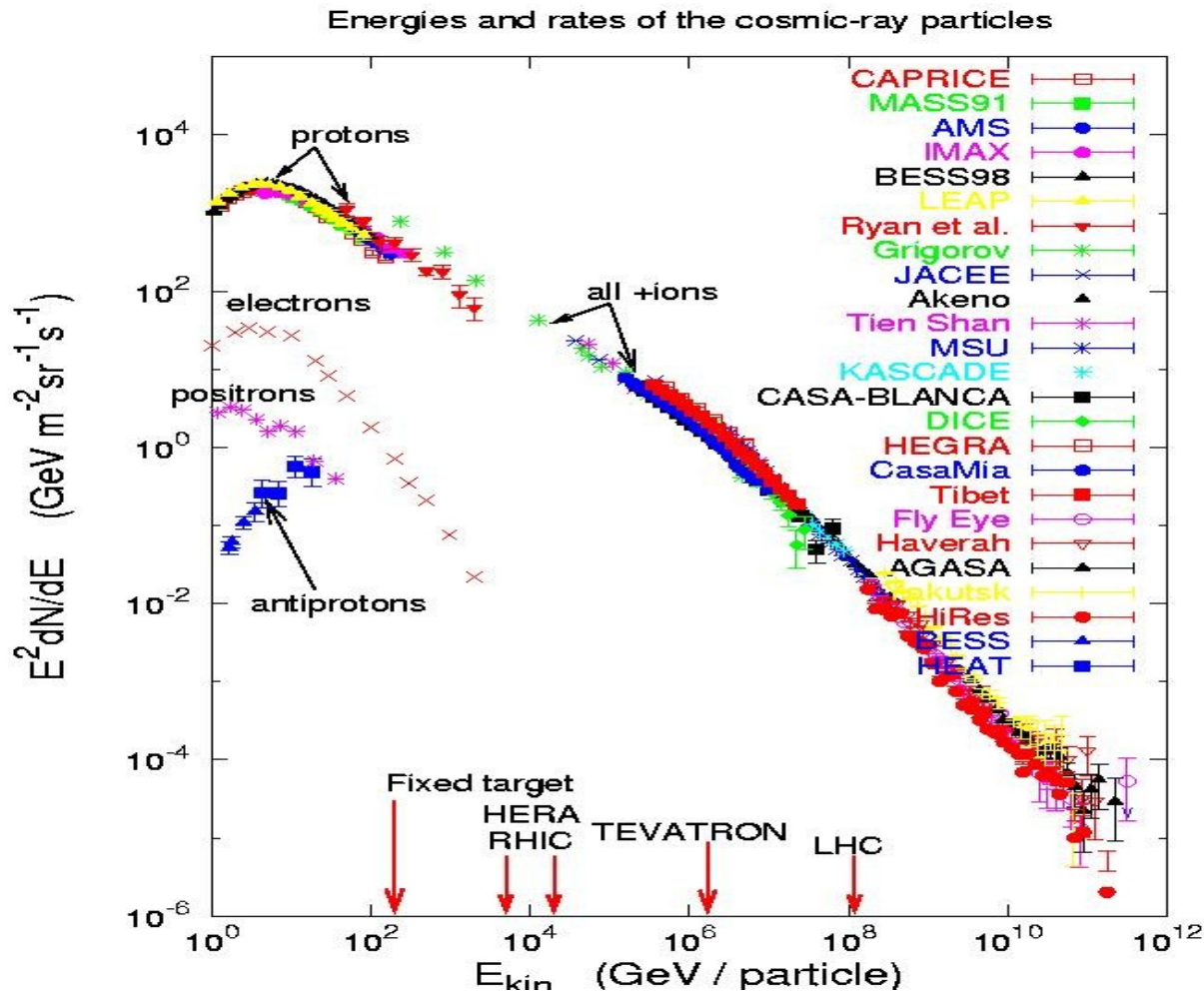
$$\nu N \rightarrow \nu X$$

$$\sqrt{S} \sim 10^{2-3} \text{TeV}$$

total cross section dominated by  $Q \sim M_Z$

$$\frac{M_Z}{\sqrt{S}} \rightarrow 0$$

# High Energy Cosmic Rays



$$p A \rightarrow X$$

$$\sqrt{S} \sim 10^{2-3} \text{TeV}$$

most particles are produced with low  $p_t$

$$\frac{p_t}{\sqrt{S}} \rightarrow 0$$

# High Energy Cosmic Rays



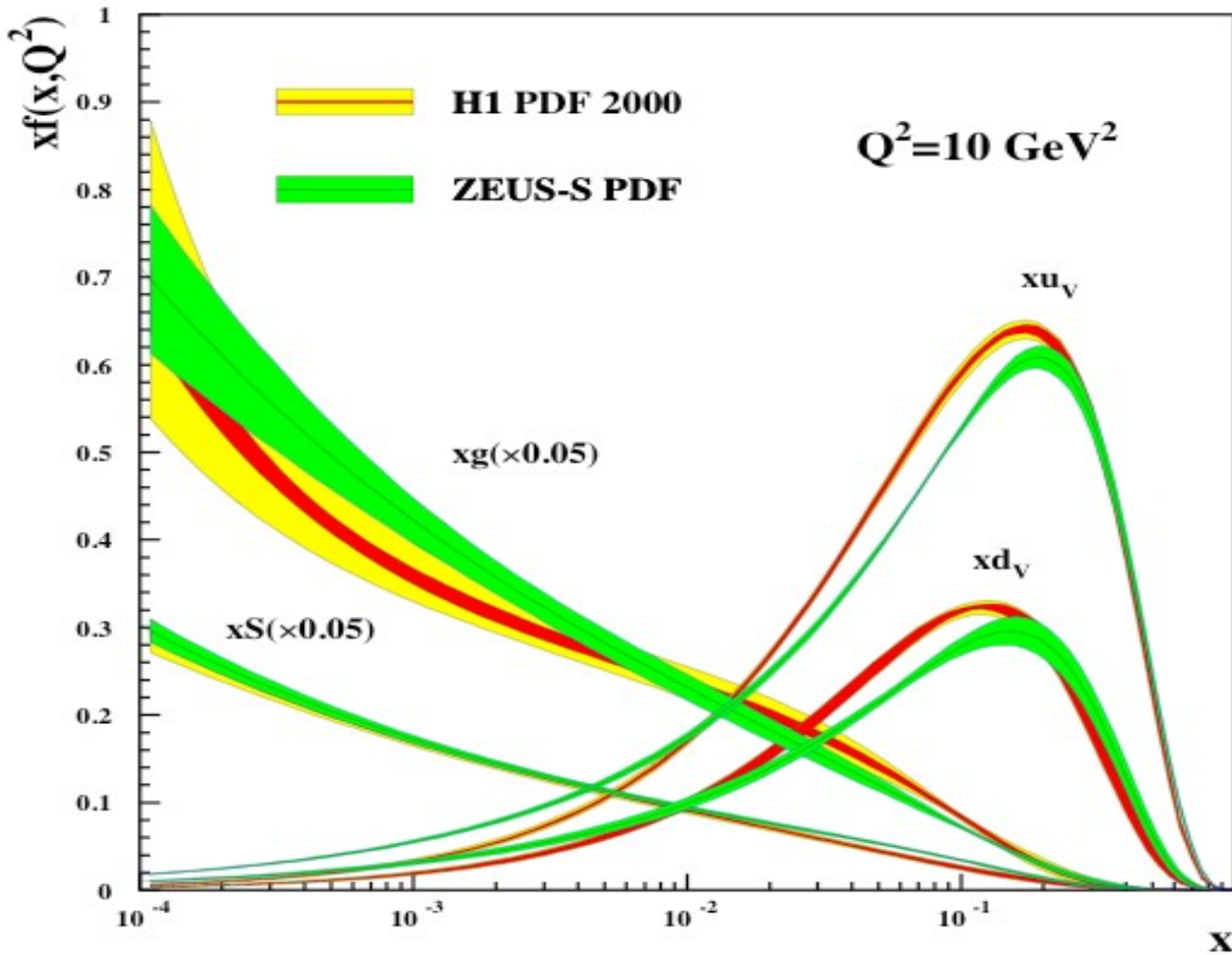
$$p A \rightarrow X$$

$$\sqrt{S} \sim 10^{2-3} \text{TeV}$$

**most particles/energy  
are in the forward  
rapidity region**

$$\frac{p_t}{\sqrt{S}} e^{-y} \rightarrow 0$$

# parton distribution functions at small $x$



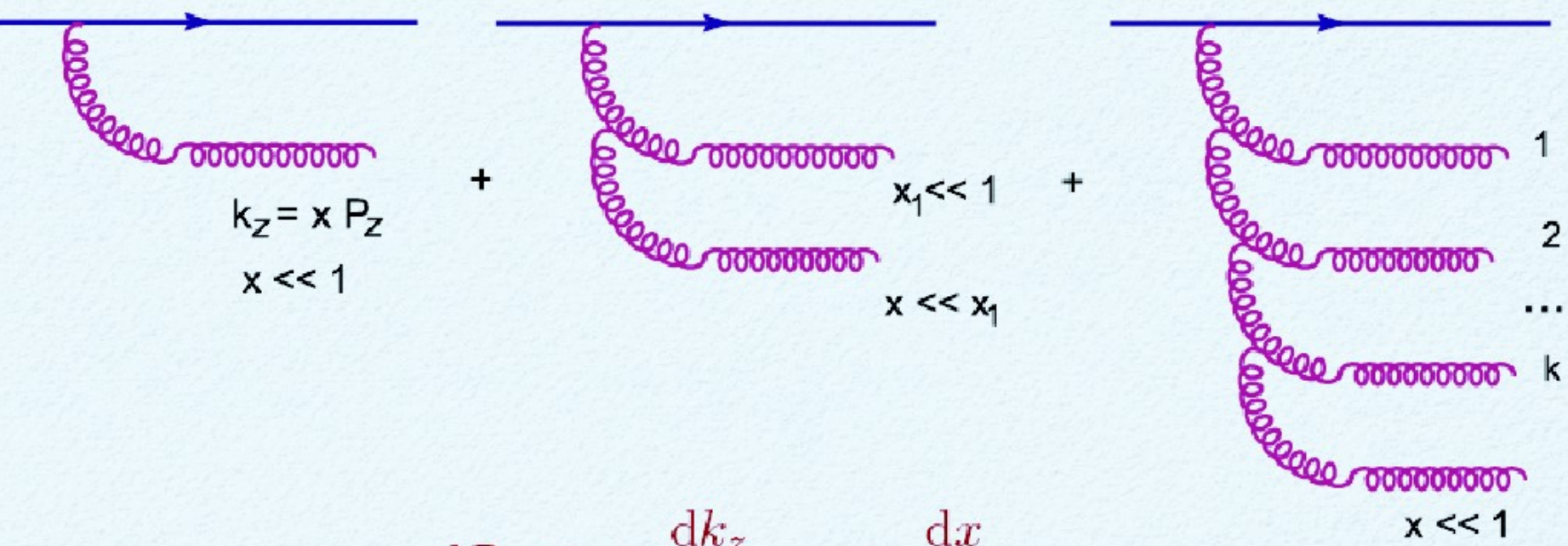
***QCD at high energy is dominated by gluons***

# gluon radiation at small $x$ : pQCD

The infrared sensitivity of bremsstrahlung favors the

emission of 'soft' (= small- $x$ ) gluons

$$P_{gg}(x) \sim \frac{1}{x} \text{ for } x \rightarrow 0$$



$$d\mathcal{P} \propto \alpha_s \frac{dk_z}{k_z} = \alpha_s \frac{dx}{x}$$

The 'price' of an additional gluon:

$$\mathcal{P}(1) \propto \alpha_s \int_x^1 \frac{dx_1}{x_1} = \alpha_s \ln \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{number of gluons grows fast} \quad n \sim e^{\alpha_s \ln 1/x}$$

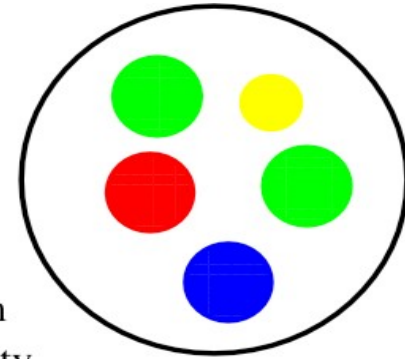
# Resolving the nucleus/hadron:

## Regge-Gribov limit

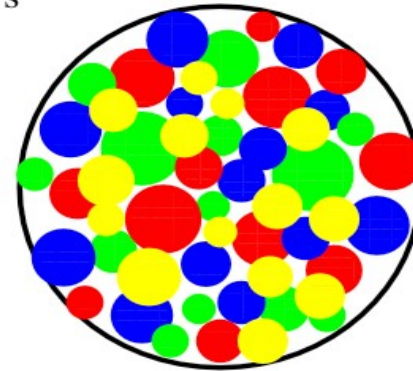
radiated gluons have the same size ( $1/Q^2$ ) - the number of partons increase due to the increased longitudinal phase space

$$\frac{1}{x}$$

↓  
Gluon  
Density  
Grows



Low Energy



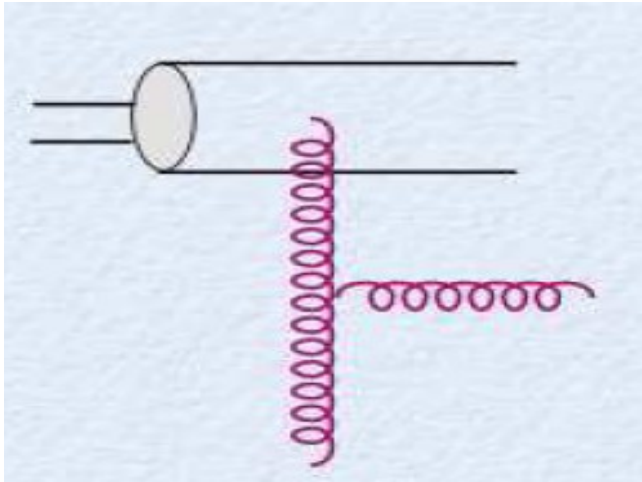
High Energy

**hadron/nucleus becomes a dense system of gluons:  
concept of a quasi-free parton is not useful**

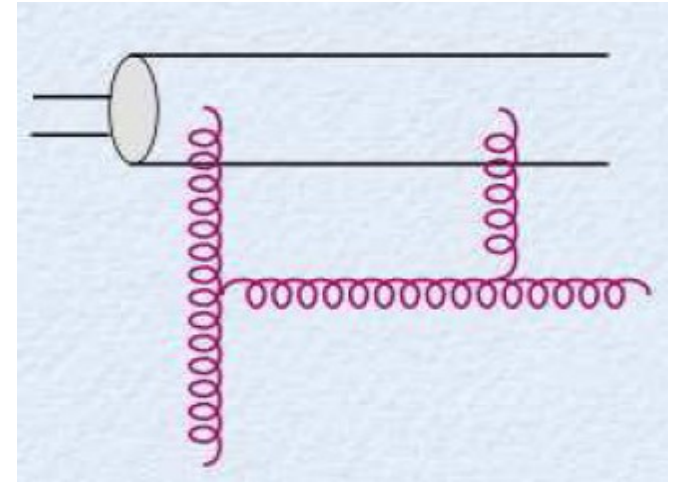
**Physics of strong color fields in QCD, multi-particle production-  
possibly discover novel universal properties of theory in this limit**

# Why does pQCD break down at small x?

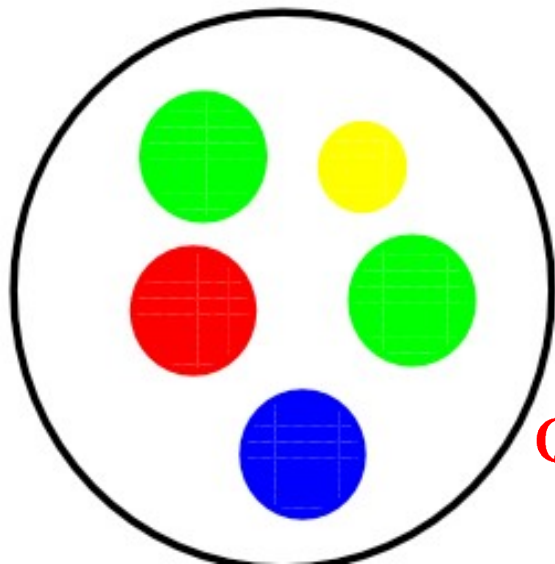
*“attractive” bremsstrahlung vs. “repulsive” recombination*



included in pQCD

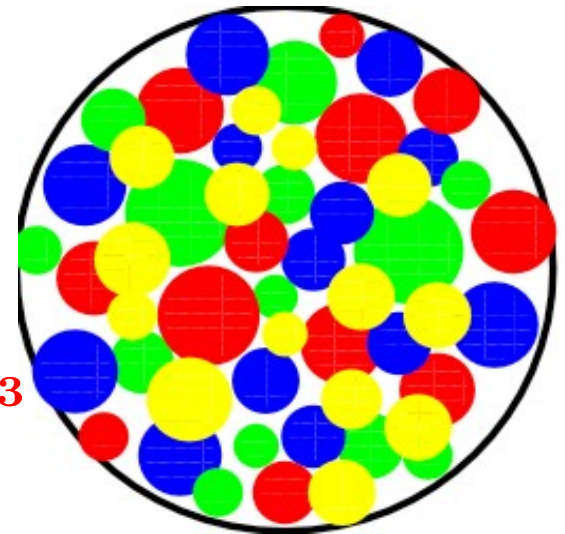


not included in pQCD  
(collinear factorization)



$$\frac{\alpha_s}{Q^2} \frac{xG(x, Q^2)}{\pi r^2} \sim 1$$

$$Q_s^2(x, b_t, A) \sim A^{1/3} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{0.3}$$





# The need to go beyond pQCD

**High gluon density: multiple scattering**

*pQCD (col. fact.) includes single scattering only*

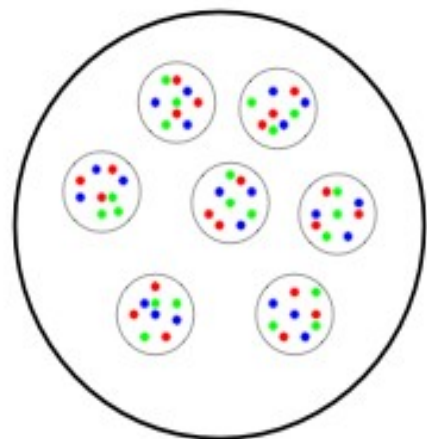
**High energy: include  $\ln 1/x$  corrections**

*pQCD (DGLAP) includes  $\ln Q^2$  corrections*

**we will use an effective action  
approach**

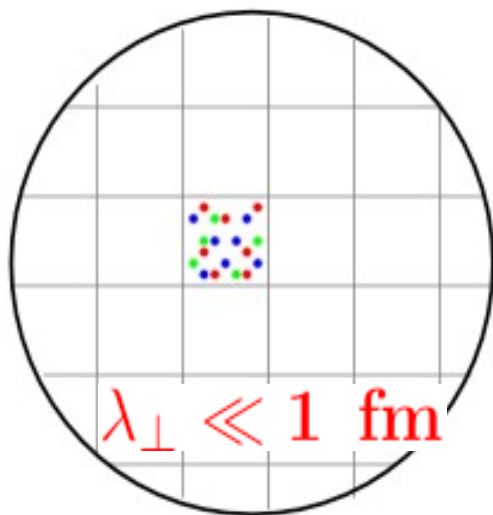
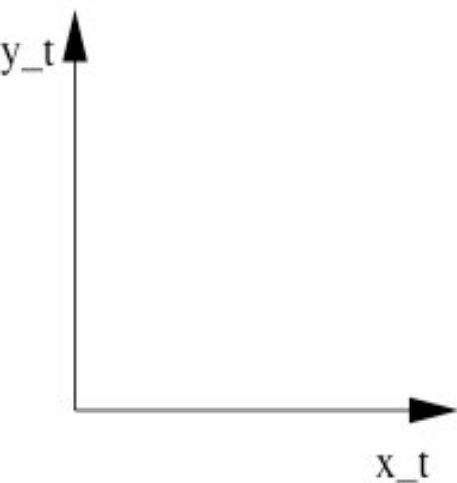
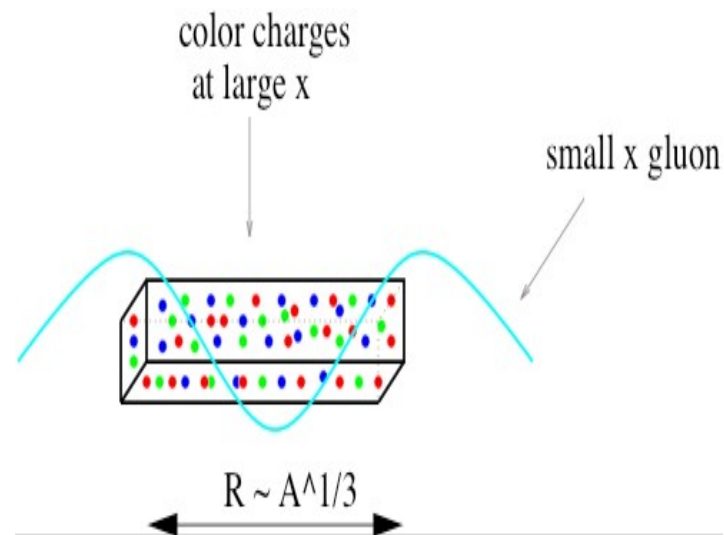
# A model of nuclei at high energy

*(a system of color charges)*



$R \sim 6$   
**fm**

boost to high energy

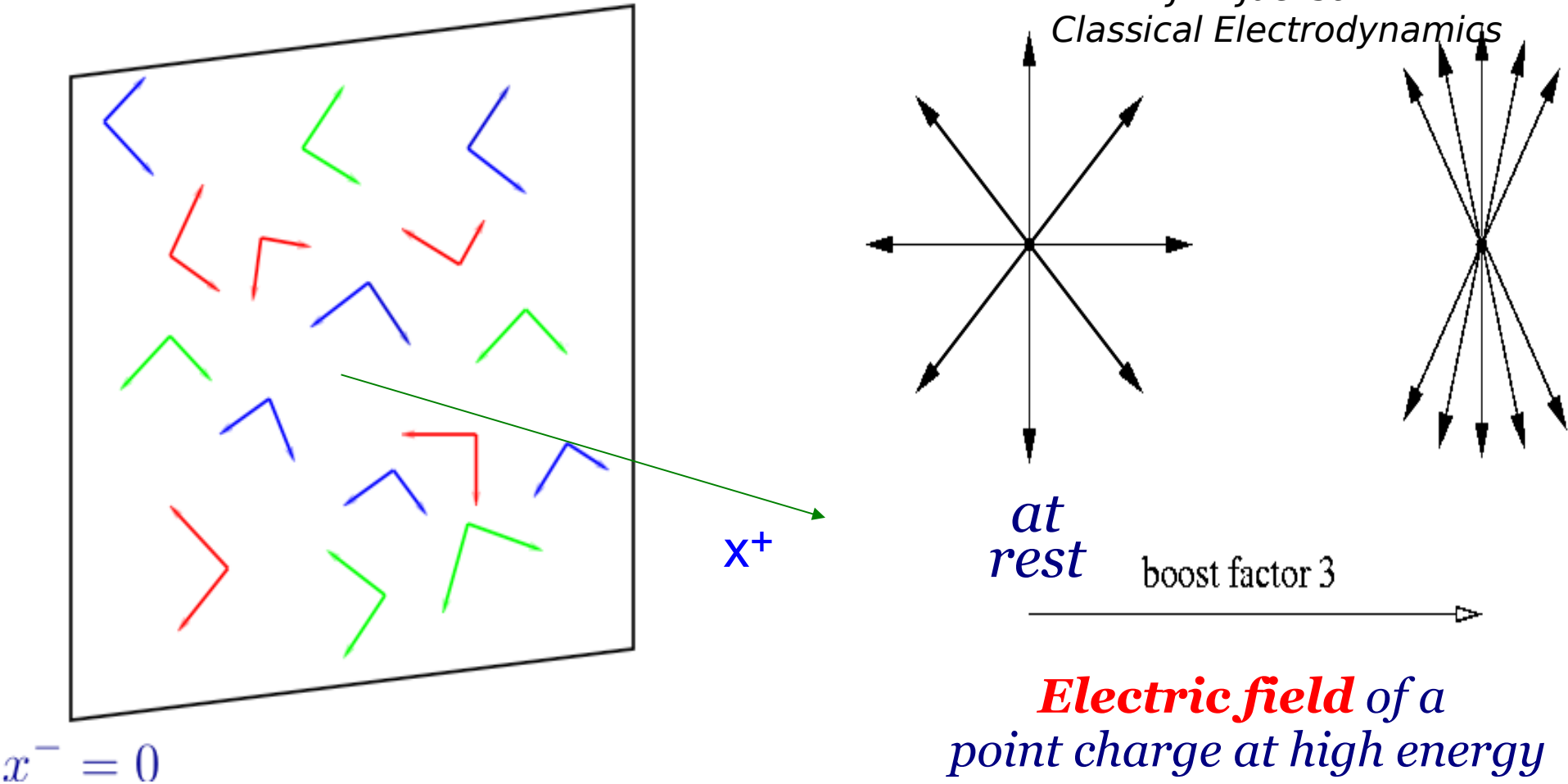


$$R \rightarrow \frac{R}{\gamma}$$
$$\gamma = 100 \quad \text{RHIC}$$
$$\gamma = 5500 \quad \text{LHC}$$

# A model of nuclei at high energy

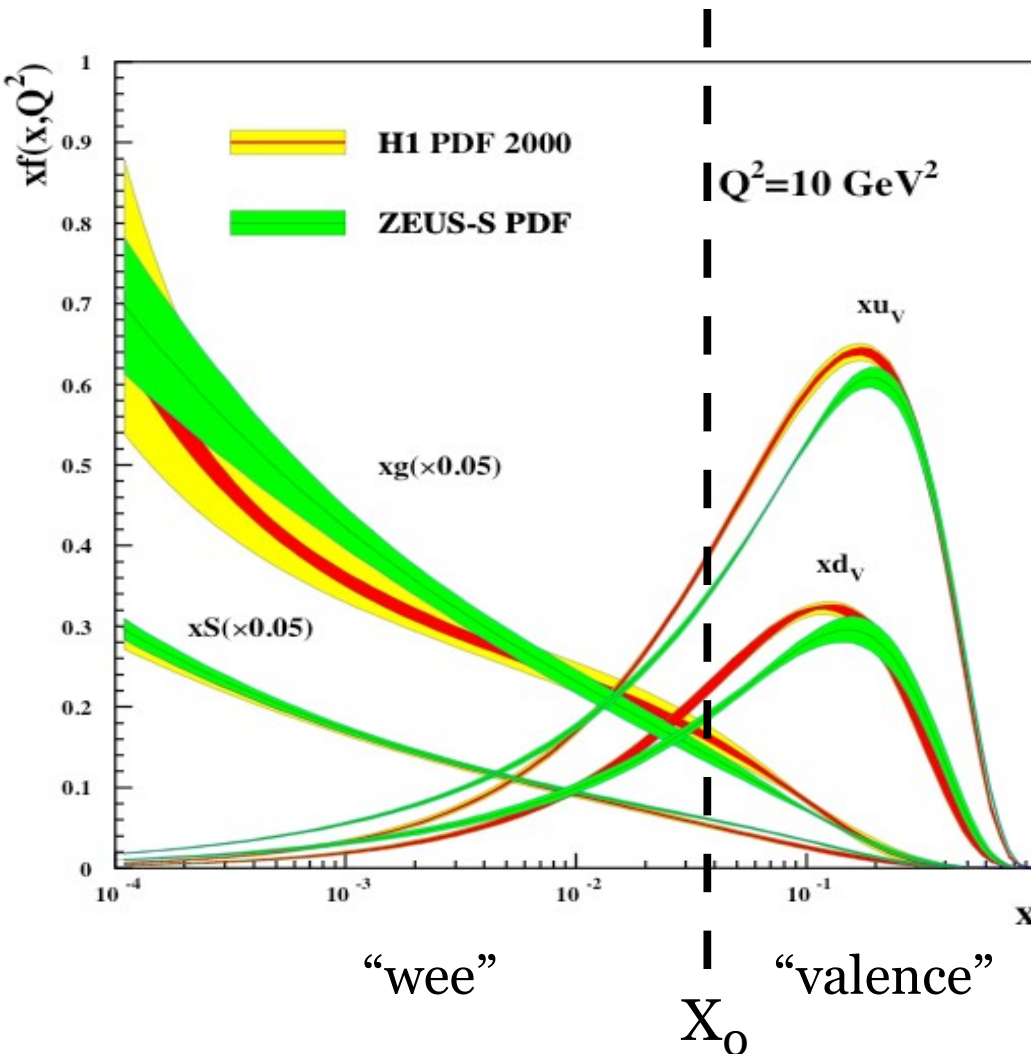
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*Classical Electrodynamics*



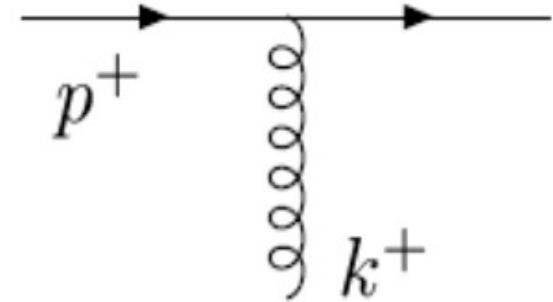
random **color Electric & Magnetic fields**  
in the plane of the fast moving nucleus

# high x partons as static color charges $\rho$



recall for any 4-momentum

$$p^2 = 2p^+ p^- - p_t^2$$

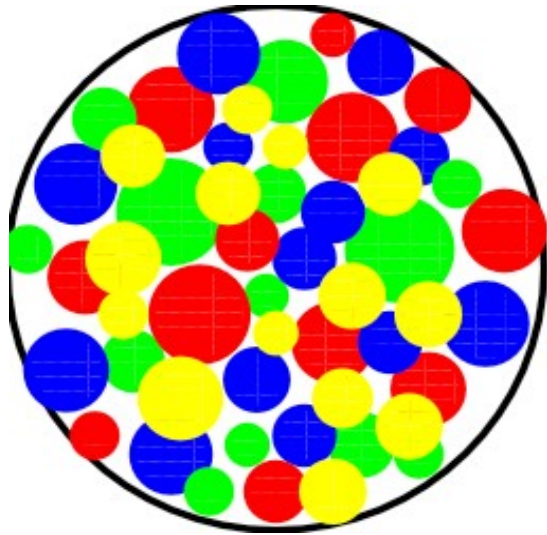


**small x:**  $k^+ \ll p^+$

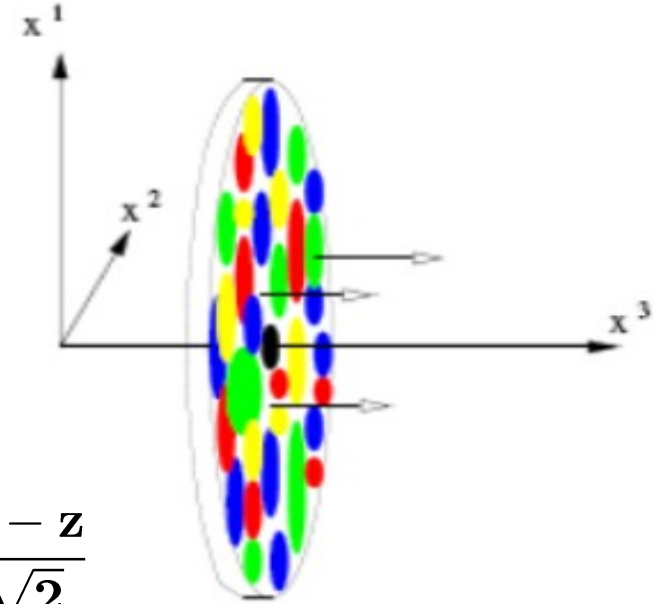
$$\tau_{\text{val}} \sim \frac{1}{p^-} = \frac{2p^+}{k_t^2} \gg \tau_{\text{wee}} \sim \frac{1}{k^-} = \frac{2k^+}{k_t^2}$$

*natural time scale for “valence” partons is much larger than that of “wee” partons*

# A model of nuclei at high energy



*boost*



$$x^+ \equiv \frac{t + z}{\sqrt{2}} \quad x^- \equiv \frac{t - z}{\sqrt{2}}$$

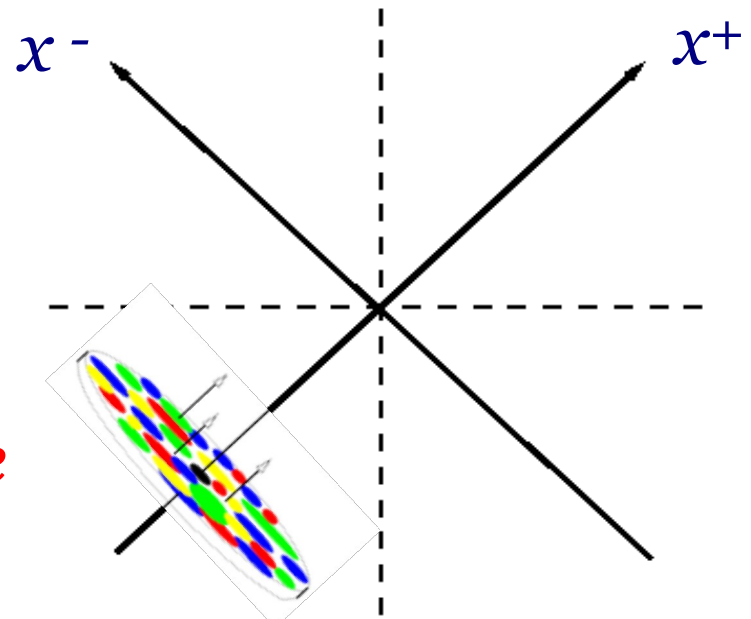
*sheet of color charge moving along  $x^+$  and sitting at  $x^- = 0$*

$$\mathbf{J}_a^\mu(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \delta^{\mu+} \delta(\mathbf{x}^-) \rho_a(\mathbf{x}_t)$$

*color current*

*color charge*

***current has only one large component***



# static color charges $\rho$

Let's see what kind of **color fields** they generate

*Solve the classical equations of motion*

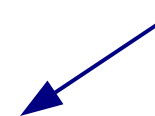
$$\mathbf{D}_\mu \mathbf{F}_a^{\mu\nu} = g \mathbf{J}_a^\nu$$

**solution** (in light cone gauge  $A^+ = 0$ ) :

$$A_a^- = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \partial_i \alpha_i^a(x_t) = g \rho^a(x_t)$$

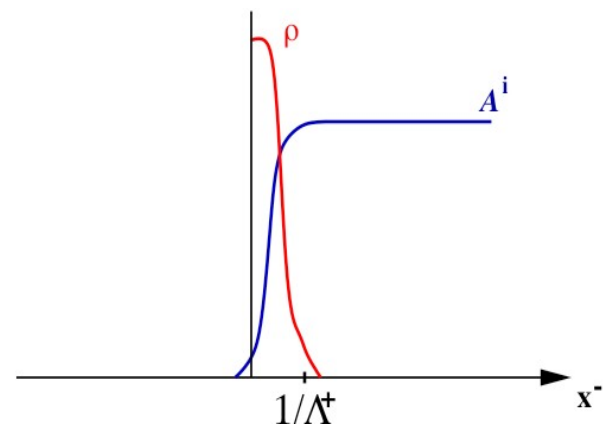
$$A_i^a = \theta(x^-) \alpha_i^a(x_t) \quad \alpha_i = \frac{i}{g} U(x_t) \partial_i U^\dagger(x_t)$$

can not be inverted



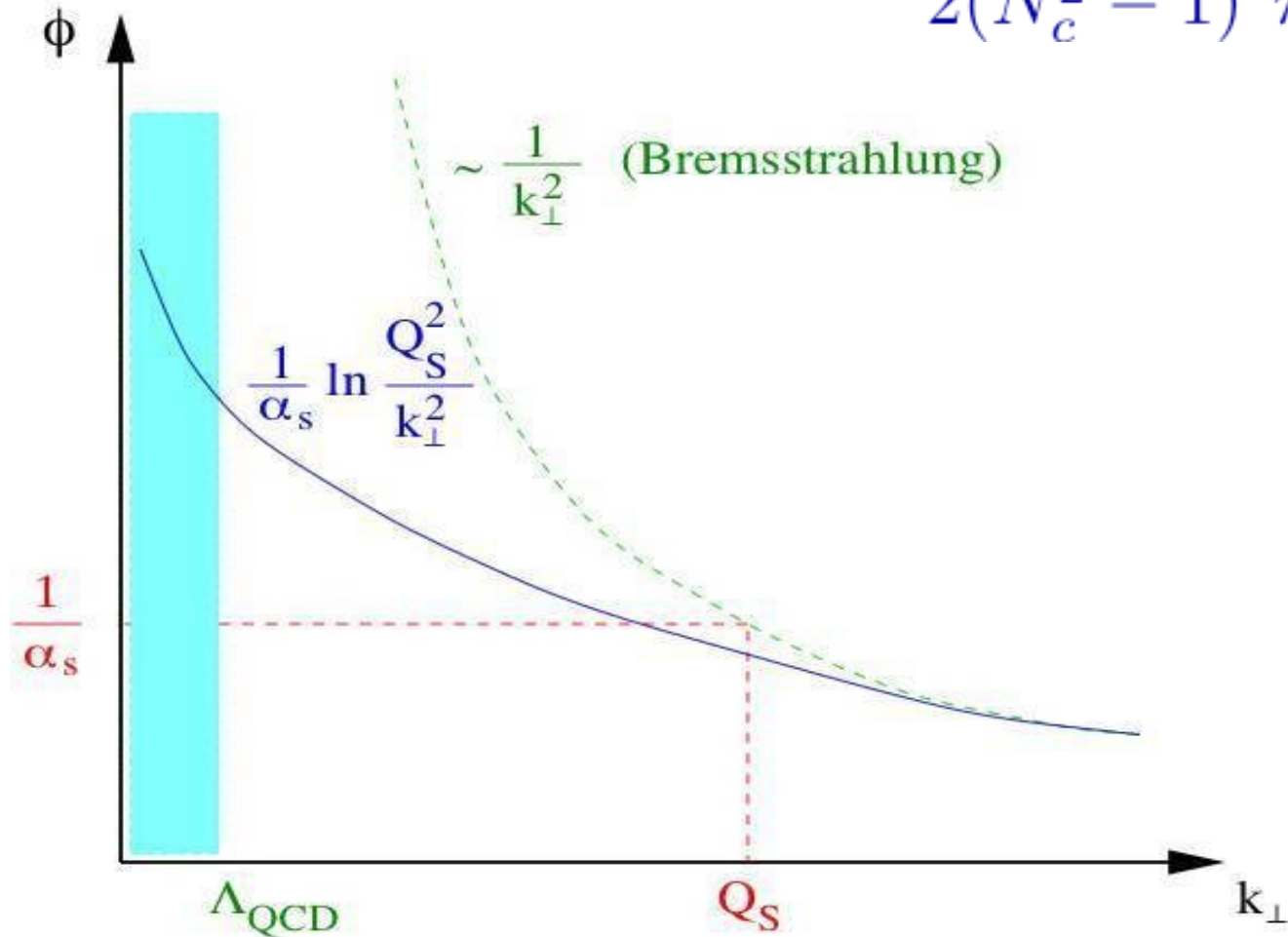
*solution is a 2-d pure gauge  
it is (LC) time-independent  
the only “physical” color field is*

$$\mathbf{F}^{+i} \sim \delta(x^-) \alpha^i \neq \mathbf{0} \quad (\mathbf{F}^{ij} = \mathbf{0})$$



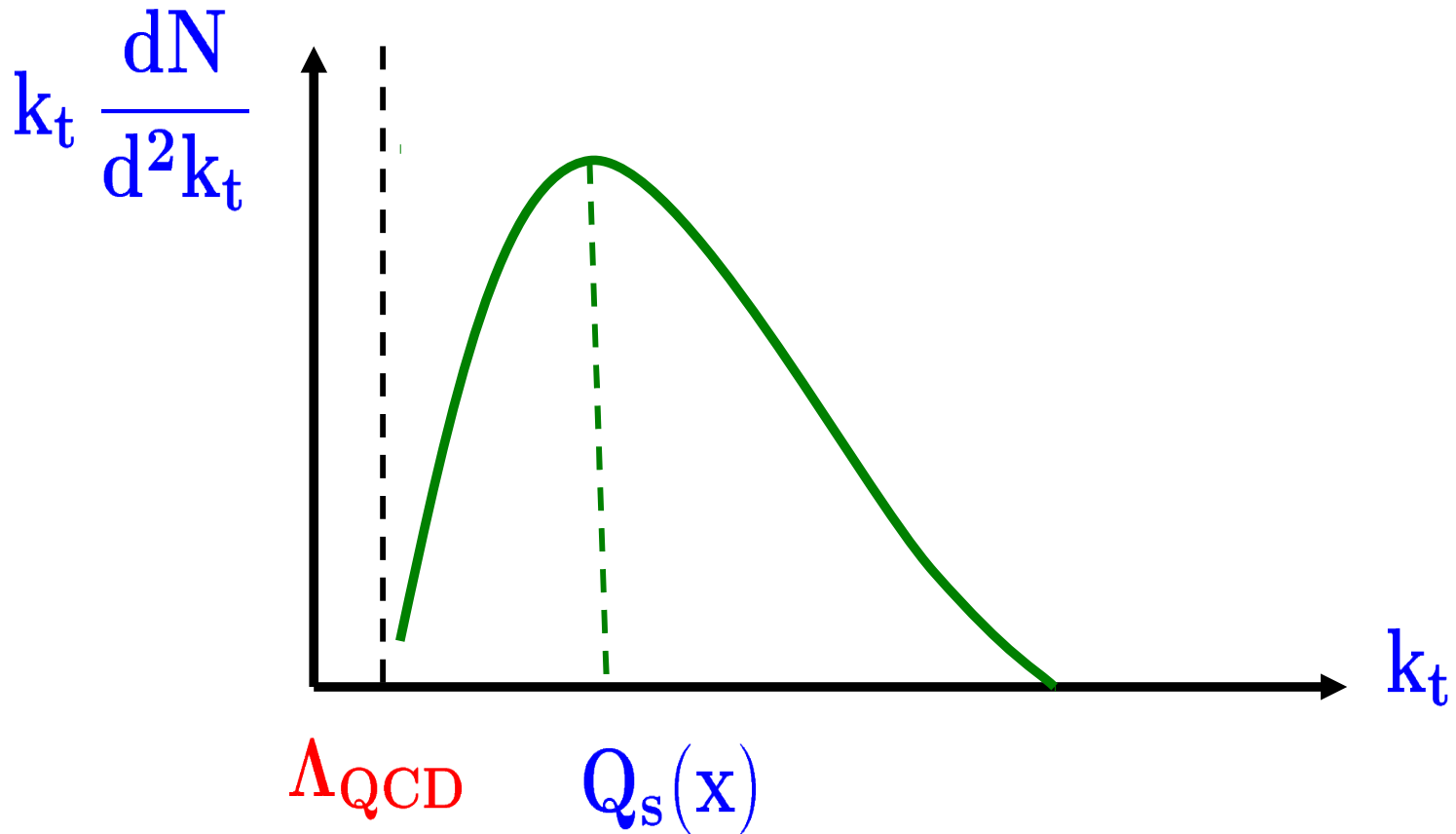
compute the gluon distribution function  $\langle A_i A_i \rangle$

$$\frac{(2\pi)^3}{2(N_c^2 - 1)} \frac{dN}{\pi R^2 d^2 k_\perp dy}$$



$$xG(x, Q^2) \sim \int d^2 k_t \frac{dN}{d^2 k_t}$$

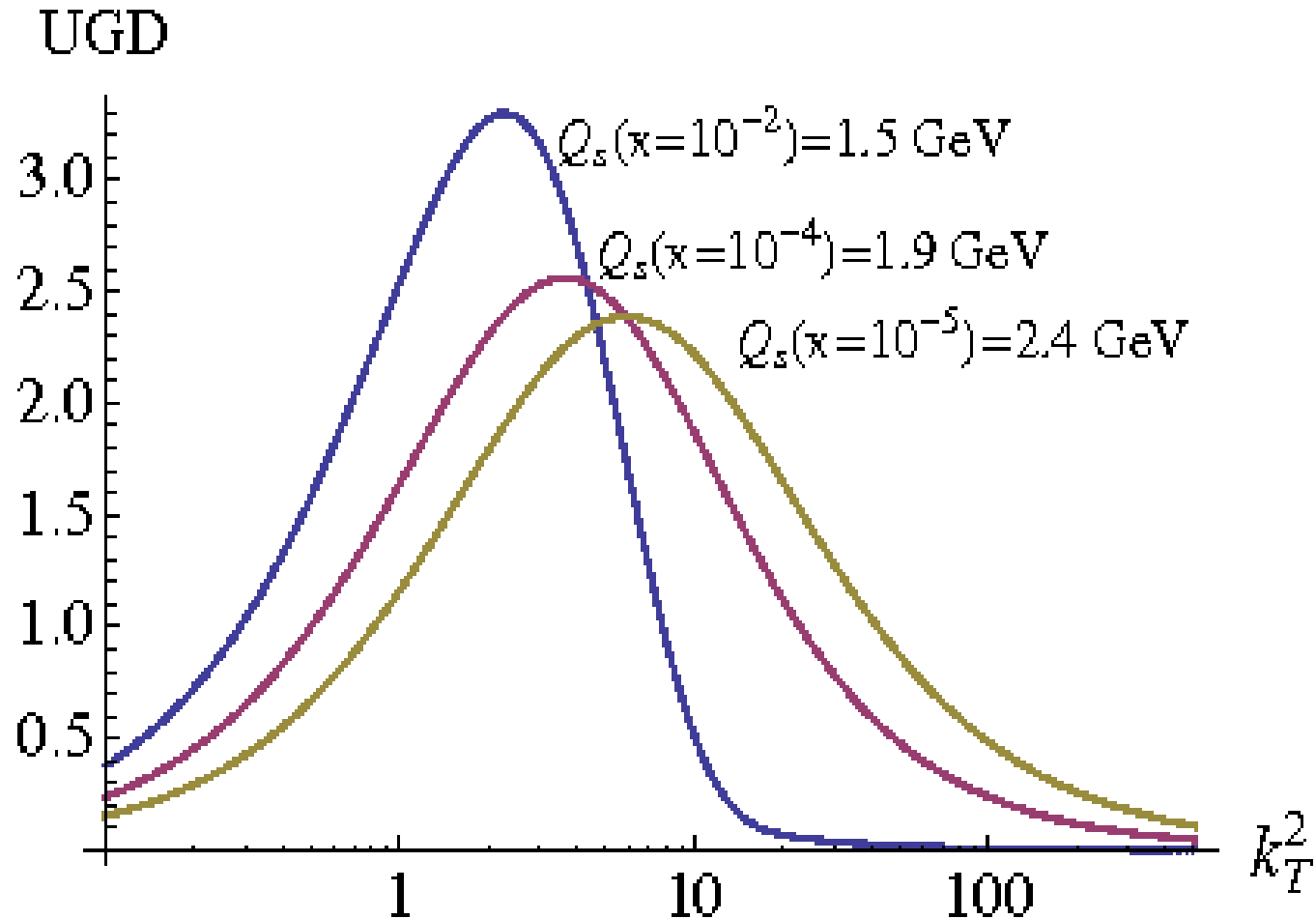
# Small x gluons in a hadron



$Q_s(x, b_t, A)$  can provide a hard infrared cutoff



# what happens if you try to put more gluons in?



# A high energy hadron/nucleus as a CGC

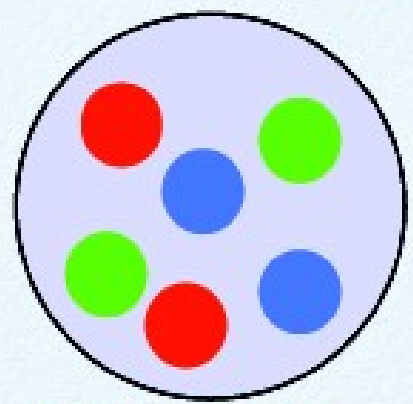
*A universal form of matter at high energy*

## Color Glass Condensate (CGC)

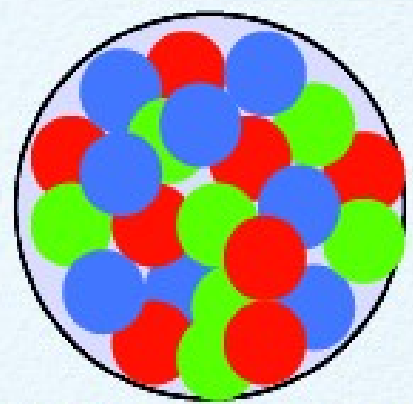
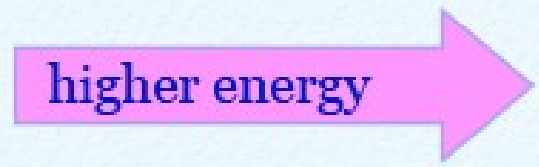
Gluons have "color"

created from "frozen" random color source, that evolves slowly compared to natural time scale

High density !  
occupation number  $\sim 1/\alpha_s$  at saturation

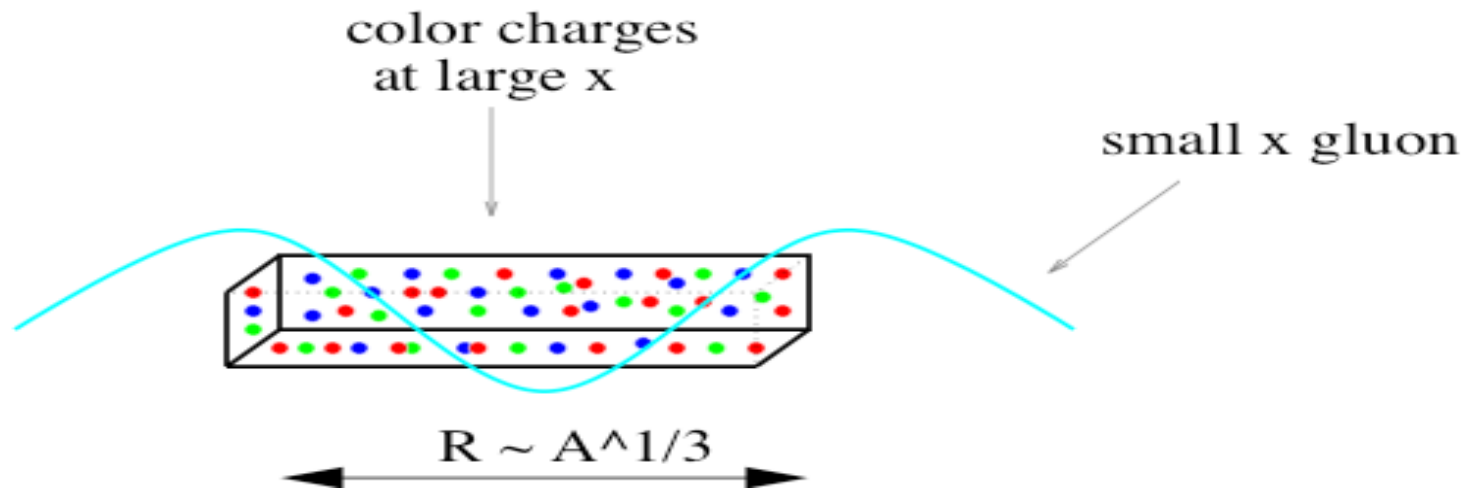


*Dilute gas*



*CGC: high density gluons*

# The nuclear "oomph" factor

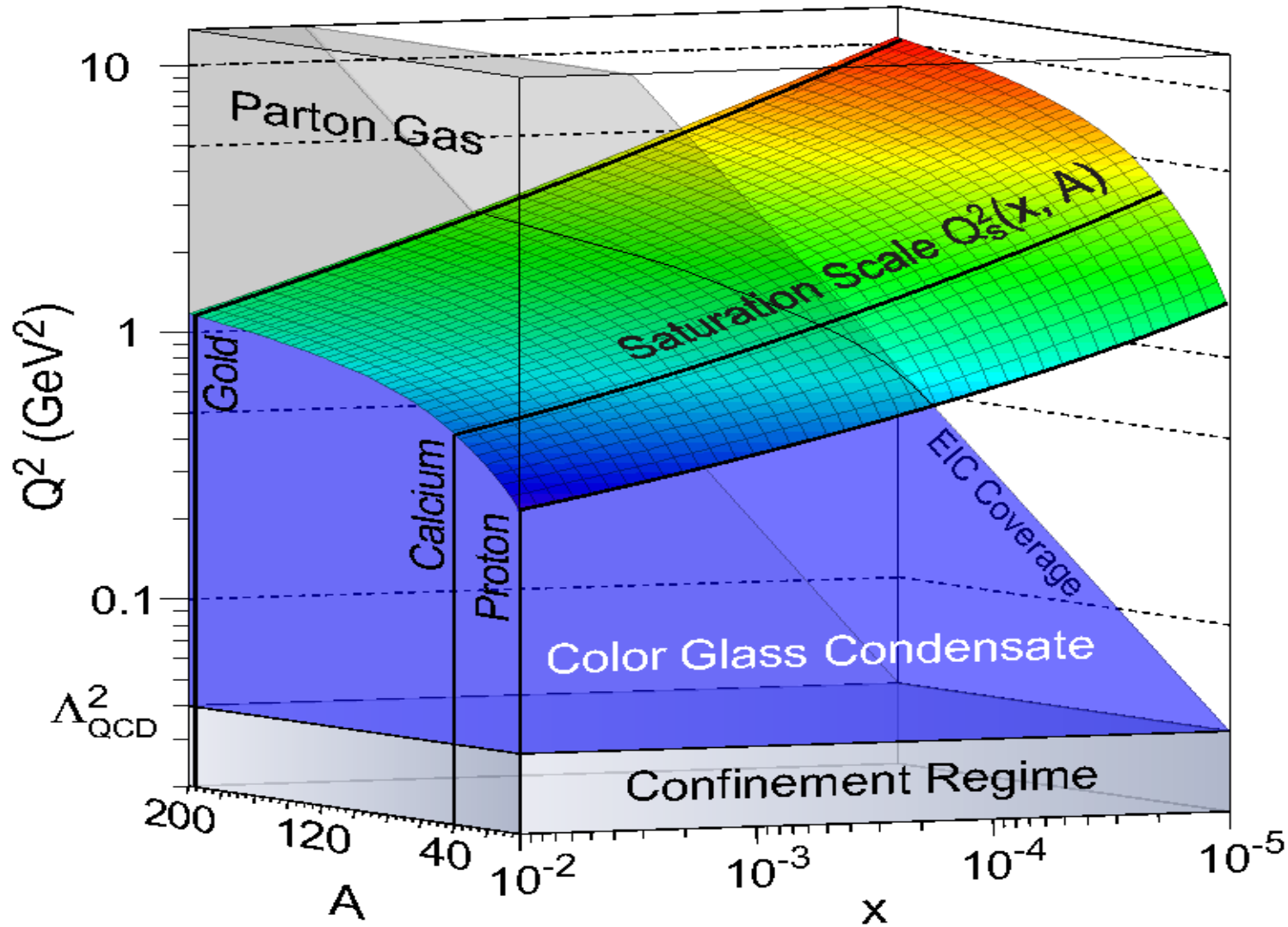


$$Q_s^2(x, A) \sim \frac{A^{1/3}}{x^\delta}$$

$$\delta \sim 0.3$$

$$\alpha_s(Q_s^2) \ll 1$$

# The Saturation Scale $Q_s$



**X 9/4 for  
gluons**

# The classical field

It looks like (in LC gauge) a shock wave

*its strength is  $O(1/g)$  (dense system of gluons: state with maximum occupation number)*

keep in mind gauge fields are gauge dependent

*how does the solution look like in another gauge?*

**solution (in covariant gauge  $\partial_\mu \tilde{A}^\mu = 0$ ) :**

$$\tilde{A}_a^\mu = \delta^{\mu+} \tilde{\alpha}_a \quad \text{with} \quad \partial_t^2 \tilde{\alpha}_a(\mathbf{x}_t) = -g \tilde{\rho}_a(\mathbf{x}_t) \quad \text{this can be inverted to give}$$
$$\tilde{\alpha}_a(\mathbf{x}_t) = -\frac{1}{\partial_t^2} g \tilde{\rho}_a(\mathbf{x}_t)$$

$$A^\mu = U \left[ \tilde{A}^\mu + \frac{i}{g} \partial^\mu \right] U^\dagger$$

with  $U^\dagger \equiv \hat{P} \exp \left\{ ig \int_{-\infty}^{\mathbf{x}^-} dz^- \tilde{\alpha}_a \mathbf{T}_a \right\}$

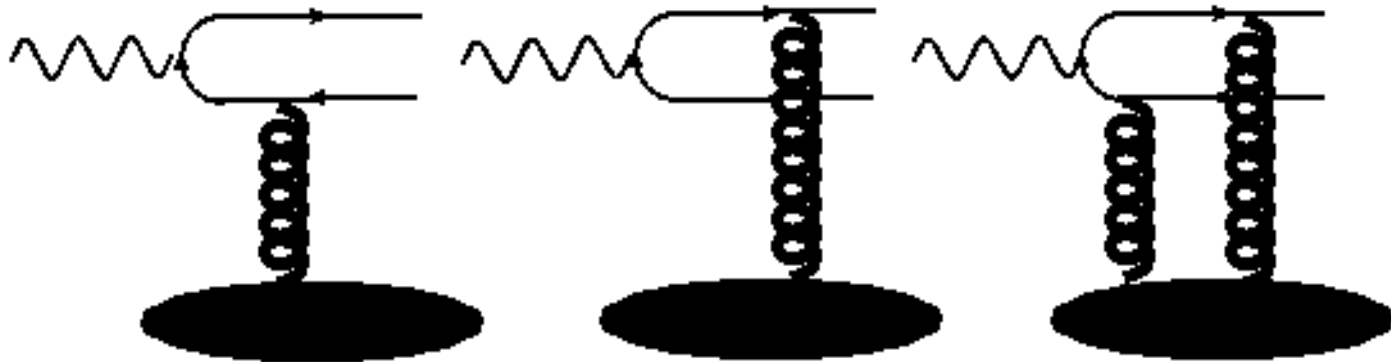
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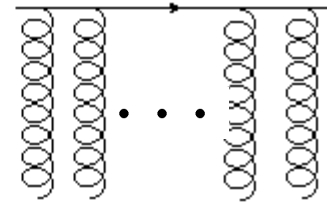
*need to generalize the parton model to include high gluon density effects*

*“tree level” first (no quantum corrections yet)*

*let's consider the amplitude for  $\gamma^* T \rightarrow q \bar{q} X$*

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with   $\equiv$    $\dots$   $= 2\pi\delta(p^- - q^-)\gamma^- \int d^2x_t e^{-i(p_t - q_t) \cdot x_t} [V(x_t) - 1]$

*$U(x_t)$  re-sums multiple scattering of a quark from the target represented by the classical field*

# DIS total cross section

$$\gamma^* \mathbf{T} \rightarrow \mathbf{q} \bar{\mathbf{q}} \mathbf{X}$$

$$\mathcal{M}^\mu(k|q, p) = \frac{i}{2} \int \frac{d^2 l_t}{(2\pi)^2} \int d^2 x_t d^2 y_t e^{i l_t \cdot x_t} e^{i(p_t + q_t - k_t - l_t) \cdot y_t}$$

$$[V(x_t) V^\dagger(y_t) - 1] \bar{u}(q) \Gamma^\mu(k^\pm, k_t | q^-, p^-, q_t - l_t) v(p)$$

with

$$\Gamma^\mu \equiv \frac{\gamma^- (\not{Q} - \not{L} + \mathbf{m}) \gamma^\mu (\not{Q} - \not{K} - \not{L} + \mathbf{m}) \gamma^-}{\mathbf{p}^- [(\mathbf{q}_t - \mathbf{l}_t)^2 + \mathbf{m}^2 - 2\mathbf{q}^- \mathbf{k}^+] + \mathbf{q}^- [(\mathbf{q}_t - \mathbf{k}_t - \mathbf{l}_t)^2 + \mathbf{m}^2]}$$

$$d\sigma = \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^2 2q_0} \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3 2p_0} \frac{1}{2k^-} 2\pi \delta(k^- - p^- - q^-)$$

$$\langle \mathcal{M}^\mu(k|q, p) \mathcal{M}^{\nu*}(k|q, p) \rangle_\rho \epsilon_\mu(K) \epsilon_\nu^*(K)$$

**integrate over the quark and anti-quark momenta to get the total cross section**

# DIS total cross section

$$\sigma_{\text{DIS}}^{\text{total}} = 2 \int_0^1 dz \int d^2x_t d^2y_t |\Psi(\mathbf{k}^\pm, \mathbf{k}_t | \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)|^2 \sigma_{\text{dipole}}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)$$

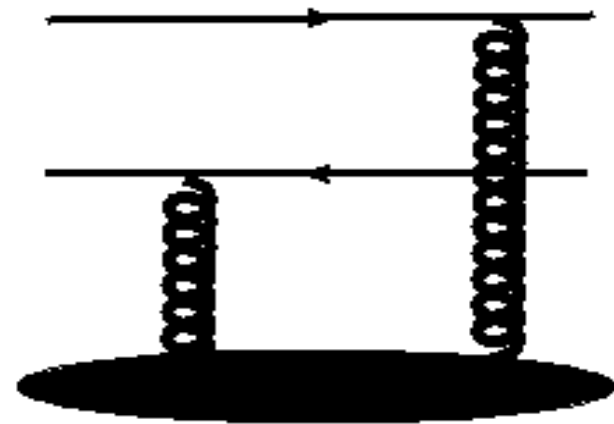
can be written in closed form in terms of Bessel functions  $K_0, K_1$

$$\sigma_{\text{dipole}}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) \equiv \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr} \langle \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{U}(\mathbf{x}_t) \mathbf{U}^\dagger(\mathbf{y}_t) \rangle$$



probability of photon decaying into a quark anti-quark pair

QED



probability of the quark anti-quark "dipole" scattering on the target

QCD



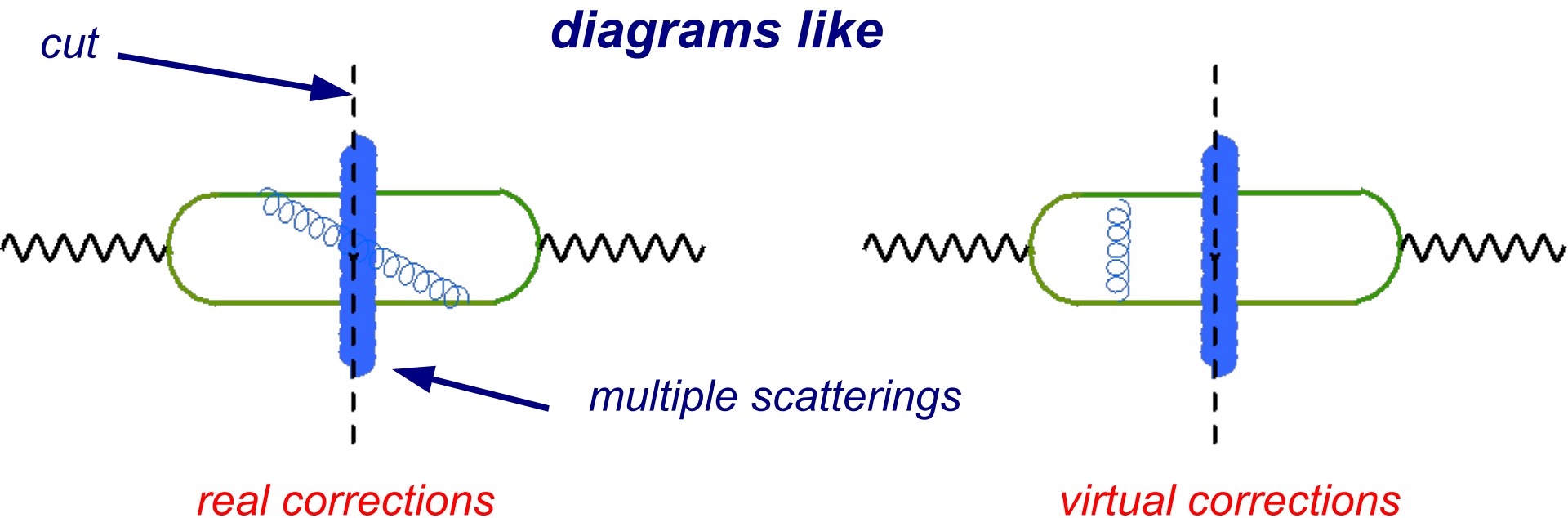


# DIS total cross section: energy dependence

*recall the parton model was scale invariant, scaling violation (dependence on  $Q^2$ ) came after quantum corrections -  $O(\alpha_s)$*

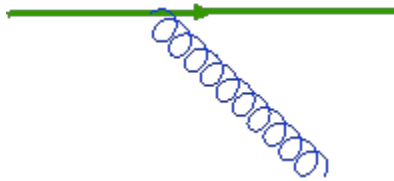
*what we have done so far is to include high gluon density effects but no energy dependence yet*

*to include the energy dependence, need quantum corrections -  $O(\alpha_s)$*



# Energy dependence

*radiation vertex (LC gauge)*



$a, k_t$

$$= 2 g t^a \frac{\epsilon_\lambda \cdot \mathbf{k}_t}{k_t^2}$$

*which looks like*

$$\int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}_t}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i \mathbf{k}_t \cdot (\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{z}_t)} 2 g t^a \frac{\epsilon_\lambda \cdot \mathbf{k}_t}{k_t^2} = \frac{2 i g}{2\pi} t^a \frac{\epsilon_\lambda \cdot (\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{z}_t)}{(\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{z}_t)^2}$$

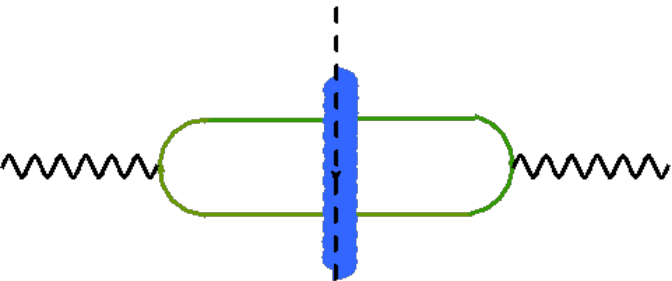
*in coordinate space ( $x_t$  and  $z_t$  are 2-d transverse coordinates of the quark and gluon)*

*sum over physical gluon polarizations*

$$\sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_{\lambda}^i \epsilon_{\lambda}^j = -g^{ij}$$

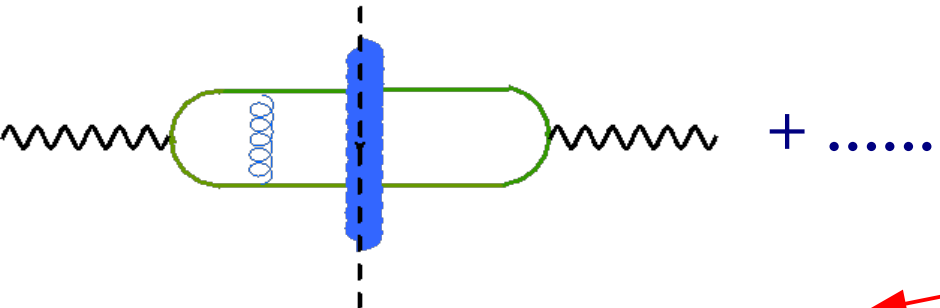
# Energy dependence

we started with (“tree level”)



$$\sim |\Psi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)|^2 \text{Tr } V(\mathbf{x}_t) V^\dagger(\mathbf{y}_t)$$

include  $O(\alpha_s)$  virtual corrections – subleading  $N_c$  terms will cancel between real and virtual contributions, not included



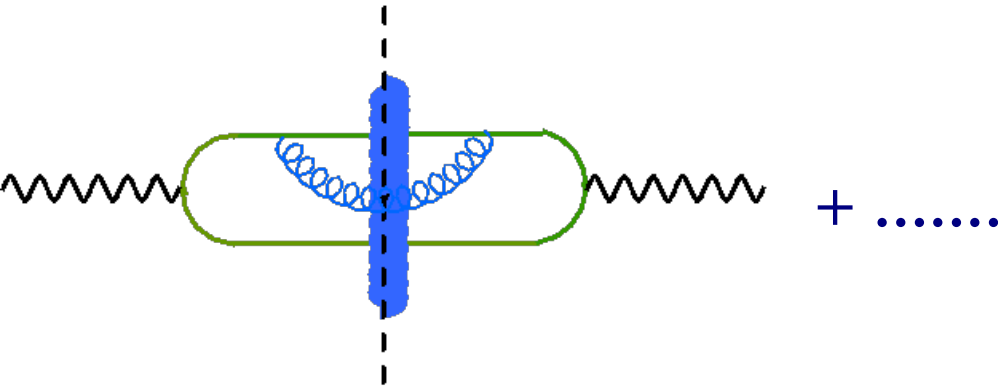
*rapidity*

*divergent  $\sim \ln P^+ \sim Y$*

$$= -\frac{N_c \alpha_s}{2\pi^2} \int^{P^+} \frac{dk^+}{k^+} \int d^2 z_t \frac{(x_t - y_t)^2}{(x_t - z_t)^2 (y_t - z_t)^2} |\Psi(x_t, y_t)|^2 \text{Tr } V(x_t) V^\dagger(y_t)$$

# Energy dependence

include real corrections -  $O(\alpha_s)$



divergent  $\sim \ln P^+$



$$= |\Psi(x_t, y_t)|^2 \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi^2} \int d^2 z_t \frac{(x_t - y_t)^2}{(x_t - z_t)^2 (y_t - z_t)^2} \int^{P^+} \frac{dk^+}{k^+} \\ \text{Tr} [V^\dagger(x_t) V(z_t)] \text{Tr} [V(y_t) V^\dagger(z_t)]$$

have used  $t^a U_{ab}(z_t) = V(z_t) t^b V^\dagger(z_t)$

and  $[t^a]_{ij} [t^a]_{kl} = \frac{1}{2} [\delta_{il} \delta_{jk} - \frac{1}{N_c} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl}]$  Fierz identity

# Energy dependence

sum of all  $O(\alpha_s)$  corrections gives

$$-\frac{N_c^2 \alpha_s Y}{2\pi^2} |\Psi(x_t, y_t)|^2 \int d^2 z_t \frac{(x_t - y_t)^2}{(x_t - z_t)^2 (y_t - z_t)^2} \{ S(x_t - y_t) - S(x_t, z_t) S(z_t, y_t) \}$$

where the  $S$ (cattering) matrix is defined as

$$\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) \equiv \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr} [\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{x}_t) \mathbf{V}^\dagger(\mathbf{y}_t)]$$

recall we started with

$$|\Psi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)|^2 N_c \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)$$

then the change (*evolution*) after one gluon radiation is

# (BK) Evolution equation

$$\frac{\partial S(x_t, y_t)}{\partial Y} = -\frac{N_c \alpha_s}{2\pi^2} \int d^2 z_t \frac{(x_t - y_t)^2}{(x_t - z_t)^2 (y_t - z_t)^2} \times \{ S(x_t - y_t) - S(x_t, z_t) S(z_t, y_t) \}$$

non-linear

**this equation describes evolution of the cross section with energy (rapidity) and includes multiple scatterings**

remember DGLAP gives  $Q^2$  evolution of structure functions

# (BK) Evolution equation

let's consider the limit when gluon density is not high,  
define the T matrix

$$\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) \equiv \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)$$

then our non-linear equations becomes

$$\frac{\partial T(x_t, y_t)}{\partial Y} = \frac{N_c \alpha_s}{2\pi^2} \int d^2 z_t \frac{(x_t - y_t)^2}{(x_t - z_t)^2 (y_t - z_t)^2}$$
$$\{ T(x_t, z_t) + T(z_t, y_t) - T(x_t, y_t) - T(x_t, z_t) T(z_t, y_t) \}$$

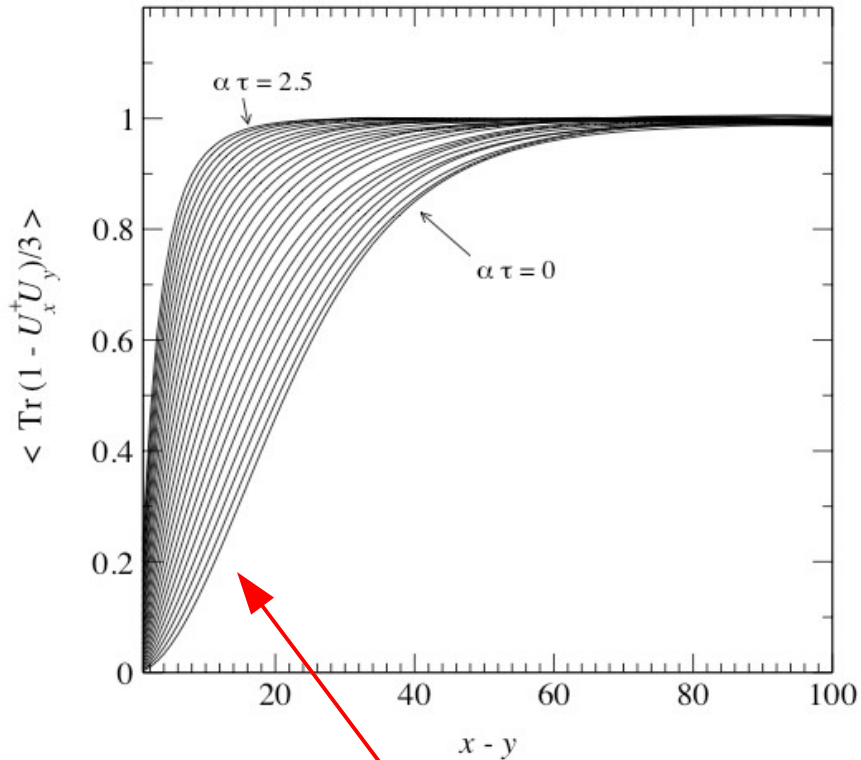
linear (BFKL) non-linear

both  $T = 0$  and  $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{1}$  are fixed points

unstable 

 stable

# Solution of (BK) evolution equation



$$\sim r_t^2 \mathbf{x} G(\mathbf{x}, 1/r_t^2)$$

$$\tilde{N}_F(p_t) \rightarrow \log \left[ \frac{Q_s^2}{p_t^2} \right]$$

**saturation region**

$$\tilde{N}_F(p_t) \rightarrow \frac{1}{p_t^2} \left[ \frac{Q_s^2}{p_t^2} \right]^\gamma$$

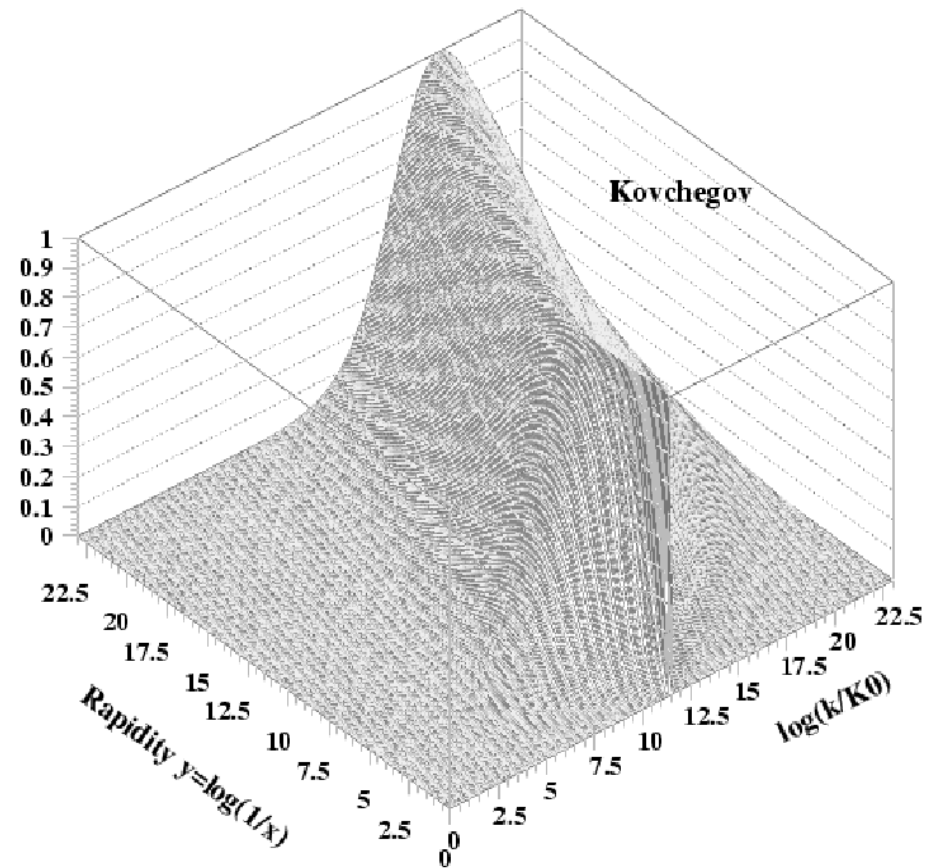
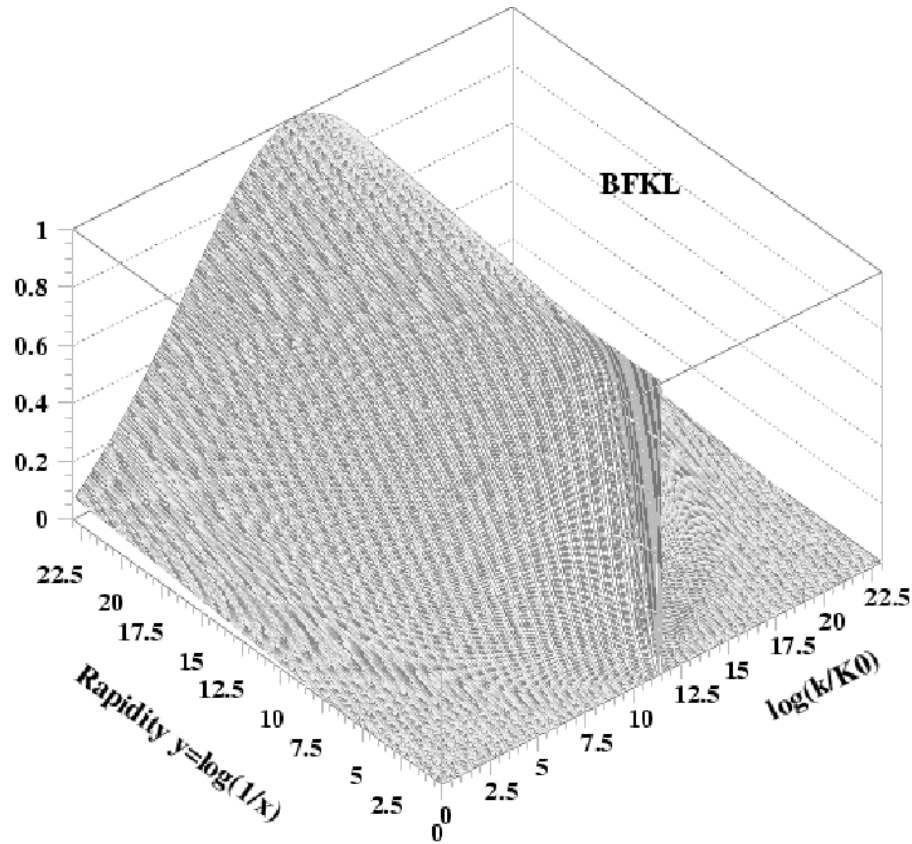
**extended scaling region**

$$\tilde{N}_F(p_t) \rightarrow \frac{1}{p_t^2} \left[ \frac{Q_s^2}{p_t^2} \right]$$

**pQCD region**



# Solution of (BK) evolution equation



G-BMS, PRD65 (2002) 074037

# *Effective Action + RGE*

$$S[\mathbf{A}, \rho] = -\frac{1}{4} \int d^4x \mathbf{F}_{\mu\nu}^2 + \frac{i}{N_c} \int d^2x_t dx^- \delta(x^-) \text{Tr}[\rho(x_t) \mathbf{U}(\mathbf{A}^-)]$$

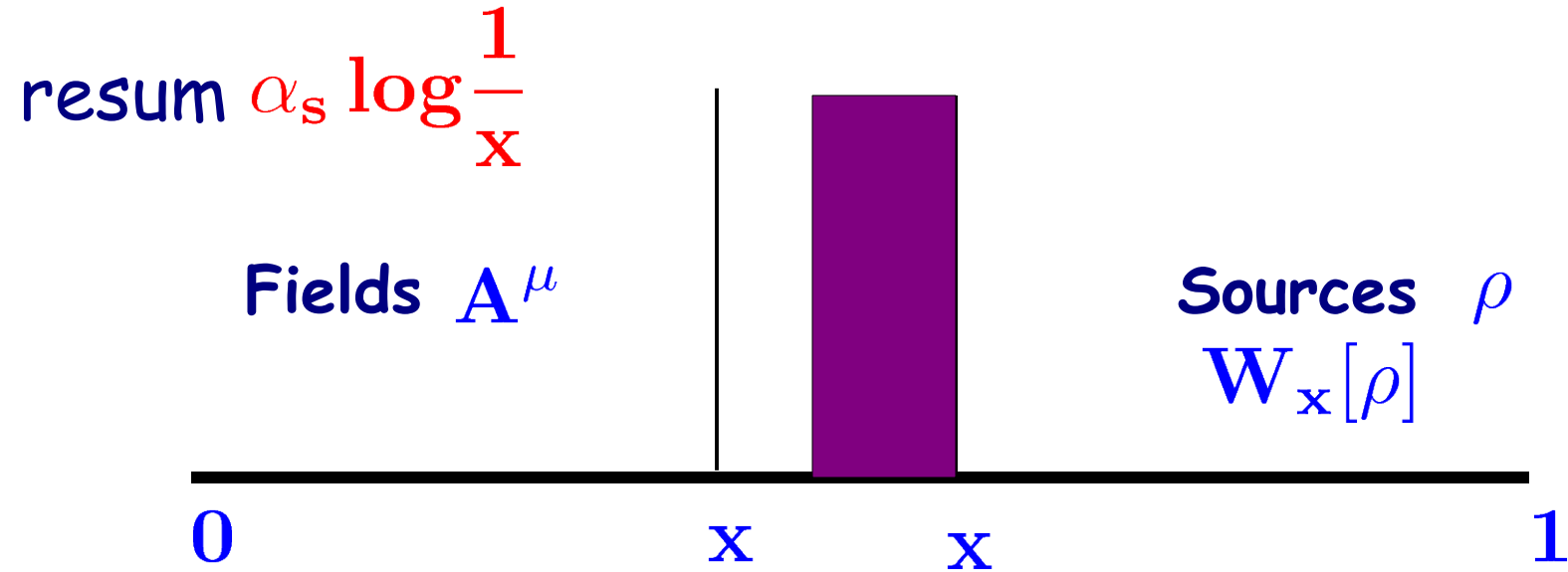
$$\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{A}^-) = \hat{\mathbf{P}} \text{Exp} \left[ ig \int dx^+ \mathbf{A}_a^- \mathbf{T}_a \right] \quad \text{eikonal coupling of fast and slow modes}$$

$$\mathbf{Z}[\mathbf{j}] = \int [\mathbf{D}\rho] \mathbf{W}_{\Lambda^+}[\rho] \left[ \frac{\int^{\Lambda^+} [\mathbf{D}\mathbf{A}] \delta(\mathbf{A}^+) e^{iS[\mathbf{A}, \rho] - \int \mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{A}}}{\int^{\Lambda^+} [\mathbf{D}\mathbf{A}] \delta(\mathbf{A}^+) e^{iS[\mathbf{A}, \rho]}} \right]$$

$\mathbf{W}_{\Lambda^+}[\rho]$  weight functional:  
probability distribution of color charges  $\rho$   
at longitudinal scale  $\Lambda^+$

invariance under change of  $\Lambda^+ \longrightarrow$  RGE for  $\mathbf{W}_{\Lambda^+}[\rho]$

# QCD at High Energy: Wilsonian RG



$$A^\mu = A^\mu_{\text{class}} + \delta A^\mu$$

integrate out field fluctuations quadratically

$$\rho \rightarrow \rho' = \rho + \delta \rho$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln W[\rho]}{\partial \ln 1/x} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{x_t, y_t} \frac{\delta}{\delta \rho^a(x_t)} \chi^{ab}(x_t, y_t)[\rho] \frac{\delta}{\delta \rho^a(y_t)} W[\rho]$$

JIMWLK eq. describes  $x$  evolution of observables

# JIMWLK evolution equation

$$\frac{d}{d \ln 1/x} \langle O \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \int d^2 x d^2 y \frac{\delta}{\delta \alpha_x^b} \eta_{xy}^{bd} \frac{\delta}{\delta \alpha_y^d} O \right\rangle$$

$$\eta_{xy}^{bd} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int \frac{d^2 z}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{(x-z) \cdot (y-z)}{(x-z)^2 (y-z)^2} \left[ \underbrace{1 + U_x^\dagger U_y}_{\text{virtual}} - \underbrace{U_x^\dagger U_z - U_z^\dagger U_y}_{\text{real}} \right]^{bd}$$

***U is a Wilson line in adjoint representation***

# QCD at low $x$ : CGC

(a high gluon density environment)

two main effects: { *“multiple scatterings” via classical field*  
*evolution with  $\ln(1/x)$  via JIMWLK/BK*

**CGC observables:**  $\langle \text{Tr } V \dots V^\dagger \rangle$  with  $\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{x}_t) = \hat{\mathbf{P}} e^{ig \int dx^- \mathbf{A}_a^+ t_a}$

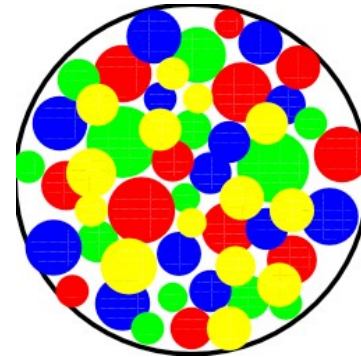
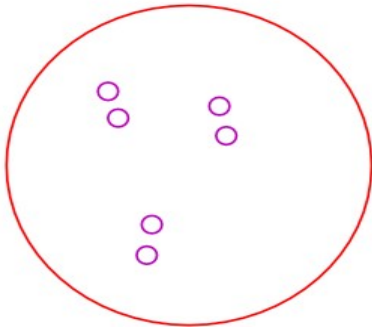
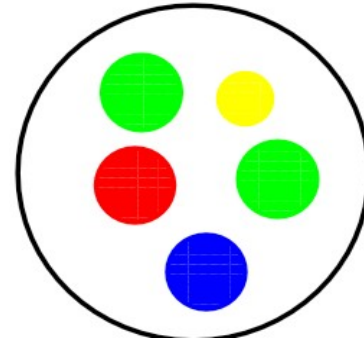
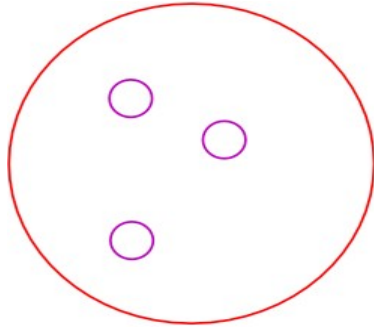
$$\mathbf{A}_a^\mu(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}^-) \sim \delta^{\mu+} \delta(\mathbf{x}^-) \alpha_a(\mathbf{x}_t) \quad \alpha^a(\mathbf{k}_t) = g \rho^a(\mathbf{k}_t) / \mathbf{k}_t^2$$

gluon distribution:  $xG(x, Q^2) \sim \int^{Q^2} \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}_t}{\mathbf{k}_t^2} \phi(x, \mathbf{k}_t)$  with  $\phi(x, \mathbf{k}_t^2) \sim \langle \rho_a^*(\mathbf{k}_t) \rho_a(\mathbf{k}_t) \rangle$

pQCD with collinear factorization:

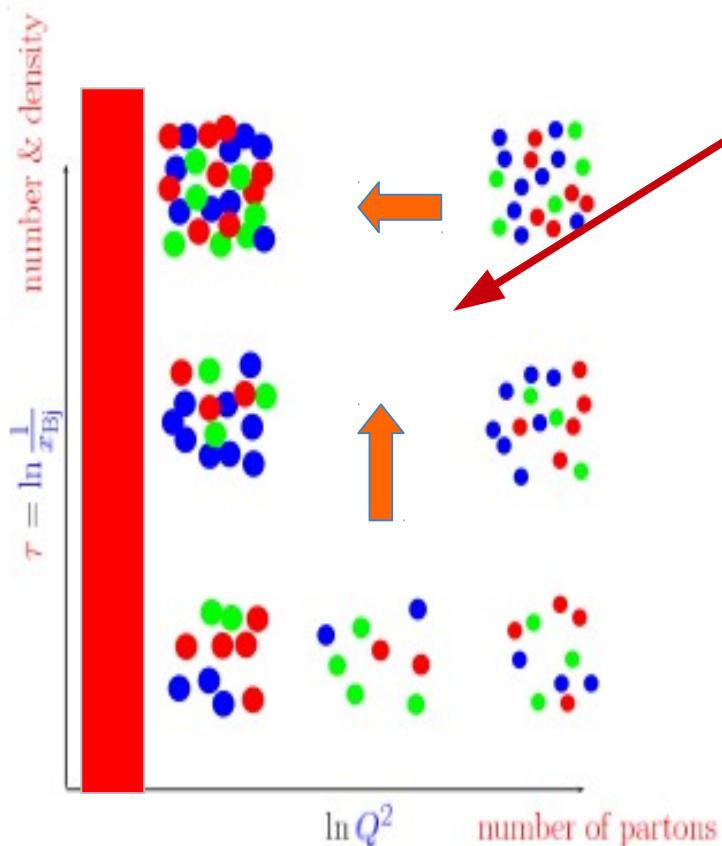
*single scattering*  
*evolution with  $\ln Q^2$*

# Bjorken/Feynman or Regge/Gribov?



*depends on kinematics!*

# Many-body dynamics of universal gluonic matter



How does this happen ?

How do correlation functions of these evolve ?

Is there a universal fixed point for the RG evolution of d.o.f

How does the coupling run ?

How does saturation transition to chiral symmetry breaking and confinement

# **Color *Glass* Condensate**

## ***Advantages:***

*A systematic, first-principle approach to high energy scattering in QCD*

*Controlled approximations*

*Same formalism can describe a wide range of phenomena*

## ***Disadvantages:***

*Applicable at low  $x$  (high  $x$ ,  $Q^2$  missing)*

*Initial conditions*



# *Observables*

## ***DIS:***

*structure functions*

*particle production*

## ***dilute-dense (pA, forward pp ) collisions:***

*multiplicities*

*$p_t$  spectra*

*di-hadron angular correlations*

## ***dense-dense (AA, pp) collisions:***

*multiplicities, spectra*

*long range rapidity correlations*

## ***Spin***

# DIS total cross section

Recall we can write the DIS cross section as

$$\sigma_{\text{DIS}}^{\text{tot}}(\mathbf{Y}, Q^2) = \int d^2x_t d^2y_t \int_0^1 dz |\Psi(z, \mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t, Q^2)|^2 \langle \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) \rangle_{\mathbf{Y}}$$

Photon wave function is known

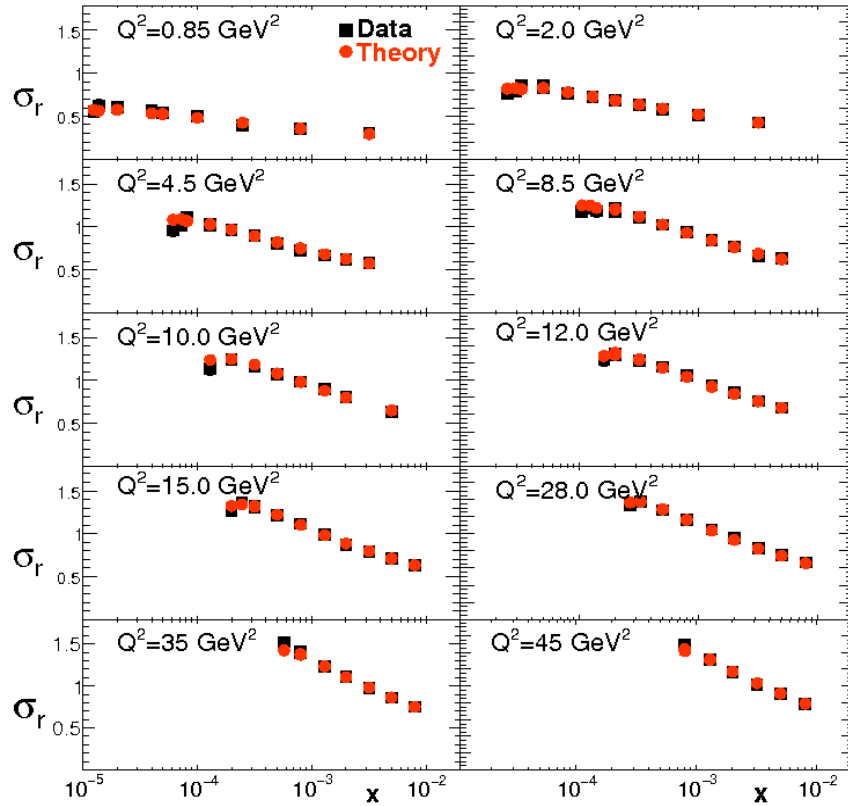
Can use the solution to BK equation to find T

need an initial condition (parameterize)

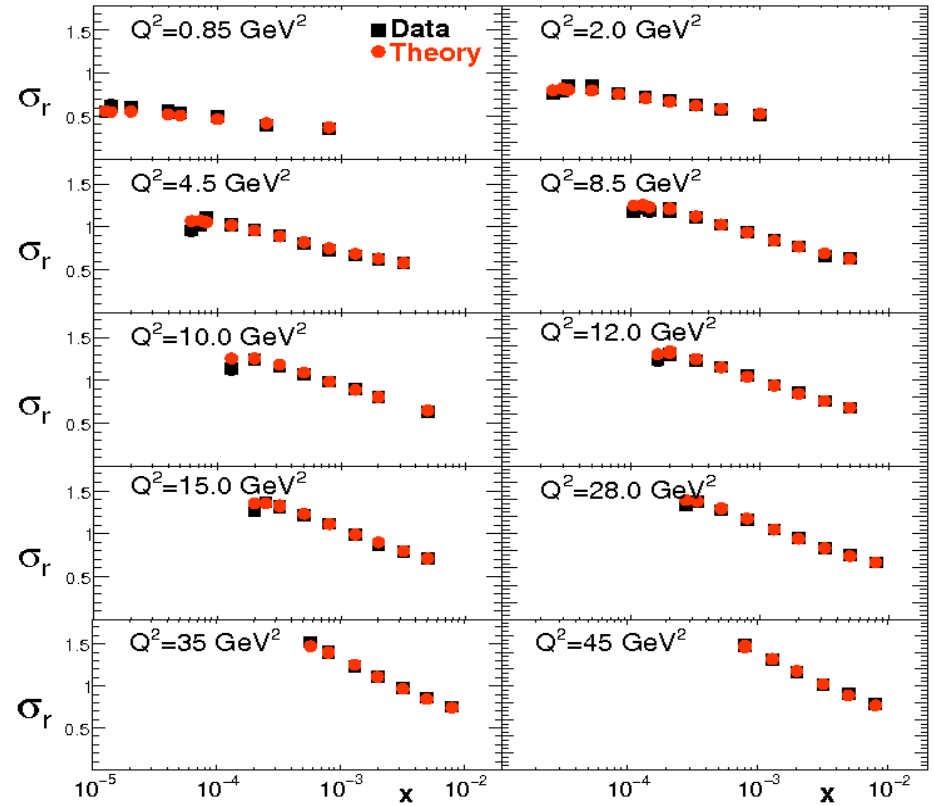
Compare the results with data

# Structure functions at HERA

Fit with only light quarks



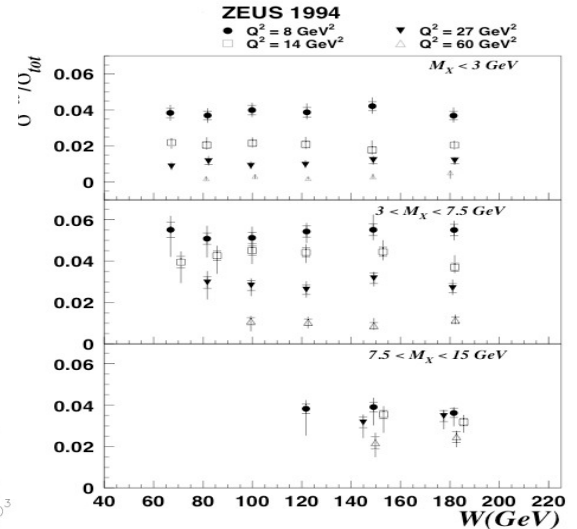
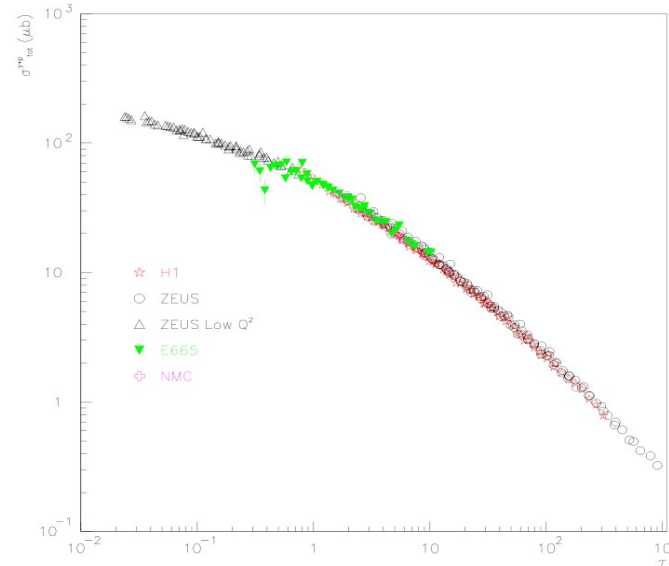
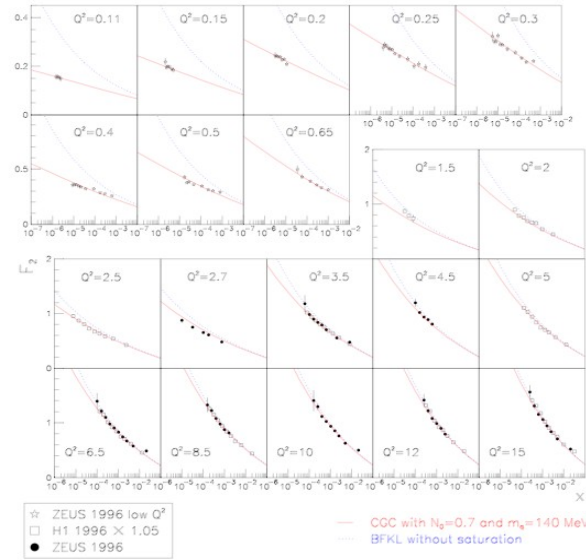
Fit including heavy quarks



AAMQS(2010)

*PQCD: DGLAP-based approaches also “work” :  
need more discriminatory observables*

# CGC at HERA ?



Structure Functions

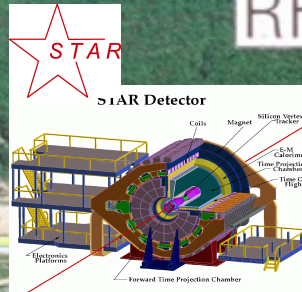
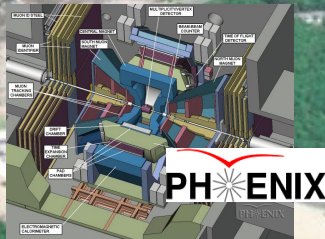
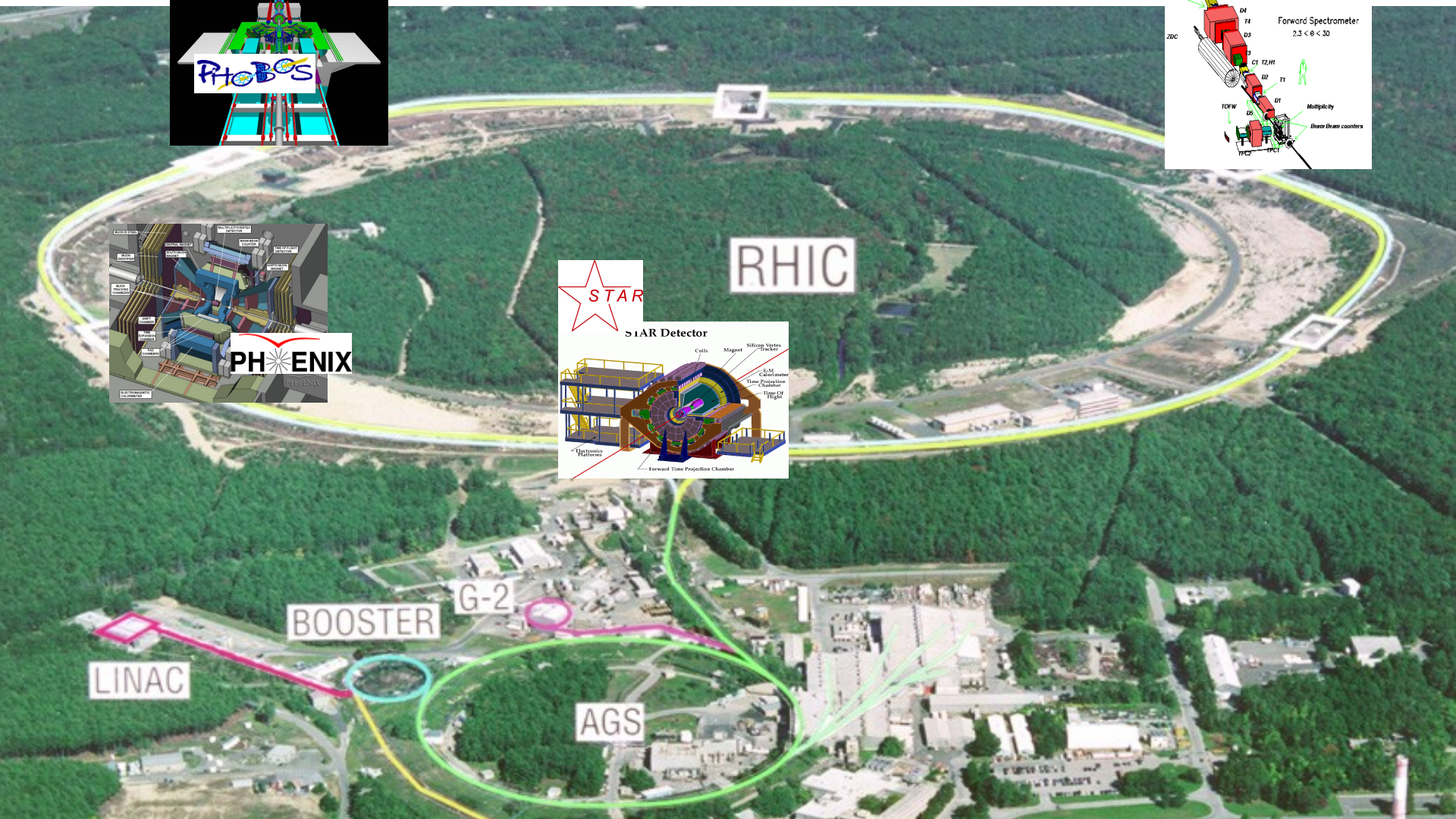
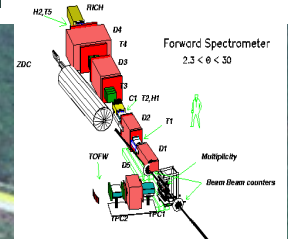
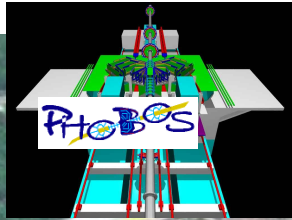
Extended Scaling

$\sigma^{diff}/\sigma^{tot}$

CGC applicable at HERA for  $x < 10^{-2}$   $Q < 20 \text{ GeV}$

Saturation scale of a proton  $Q_s^2(x) = 1 \text{ GeV}^2 \left[ \frac{x_0}{x} \right]^{0.28}$   
 with  $x_0 = 3 \times 10^{-4}$

# RHIC is an extreme QCD machine



# Large Hadron Collider (LHC)



# Proton-Nucleus (CGC X CGC) Collisions

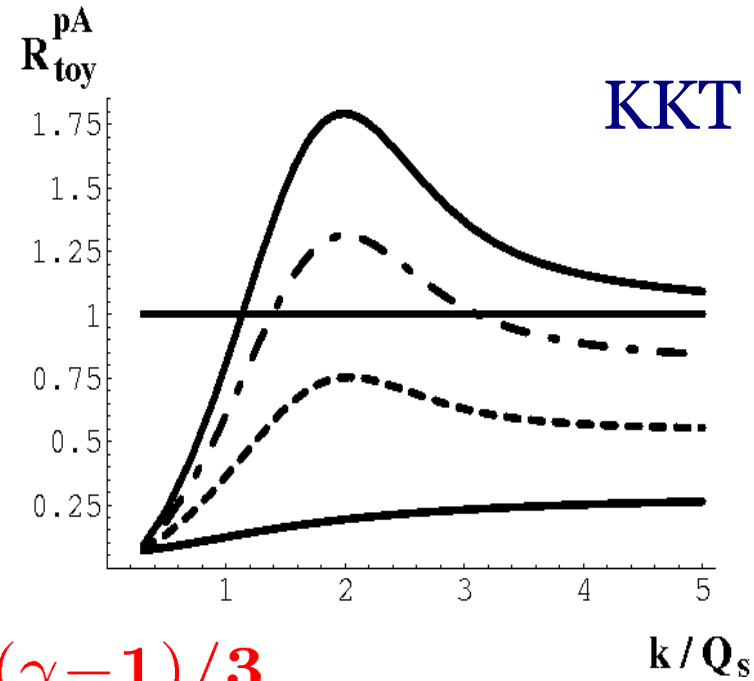
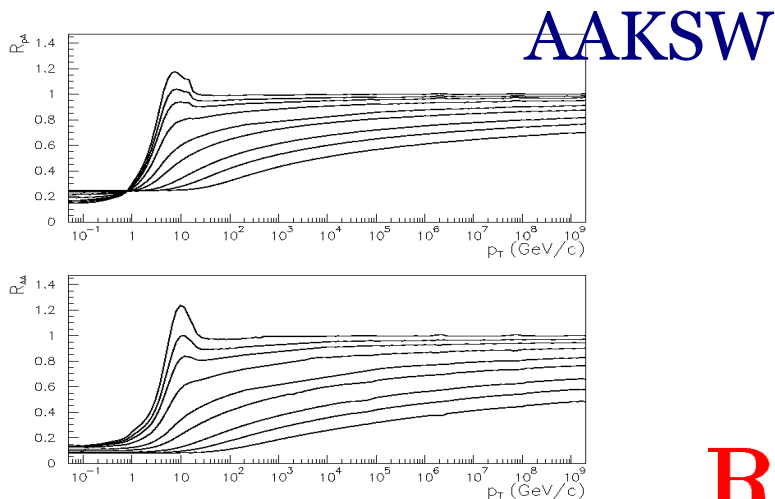
Classical (before evolution with  $x$ ):

$$R_{pA} = 1 + \dots \quad \text{for } P_t \gg Q_s \quad \text{GJM}$$

$$R_{pA} < 1 \quad \text{for } P_t \ll Q_s$$

With  $x$  evolution :

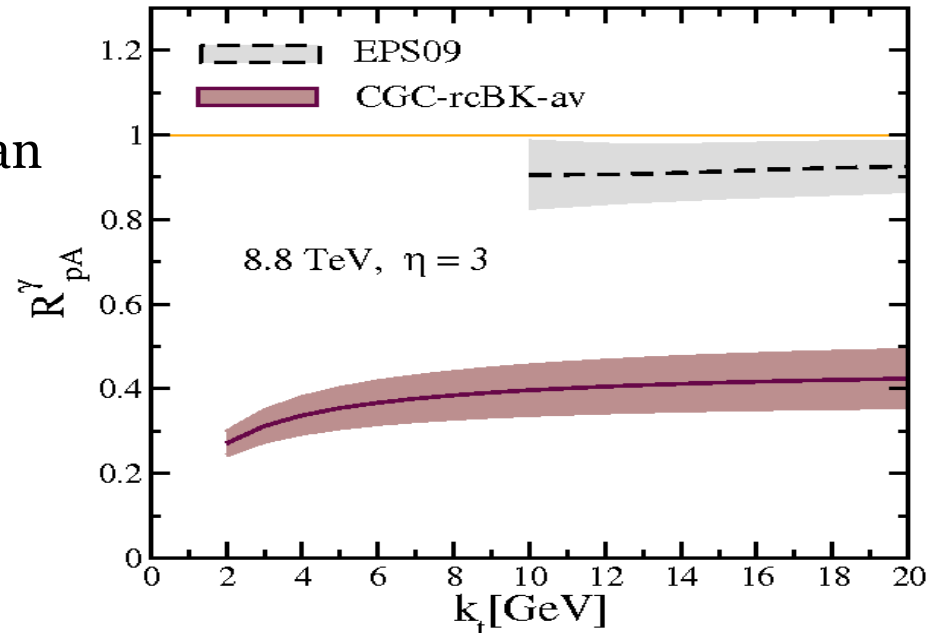
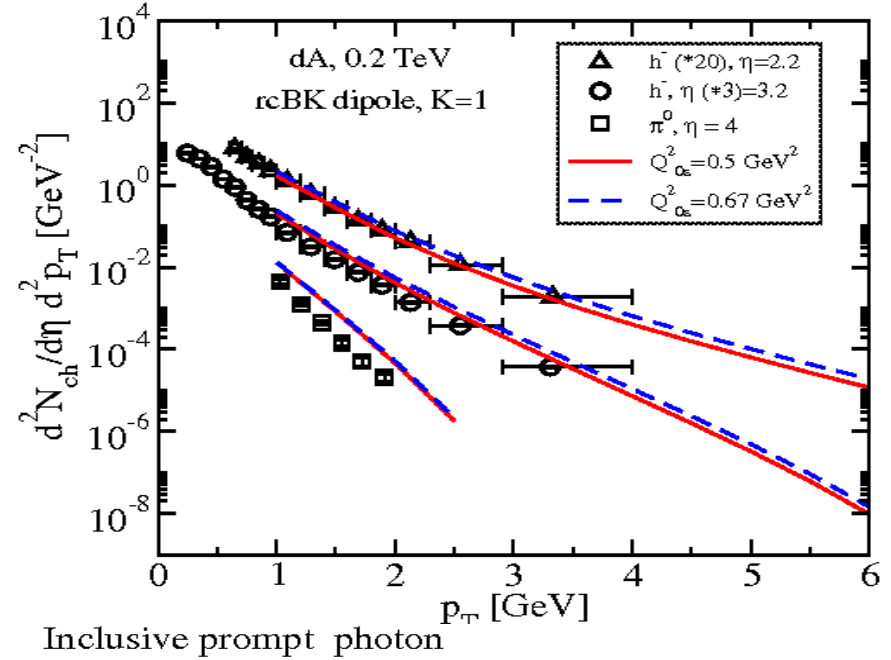
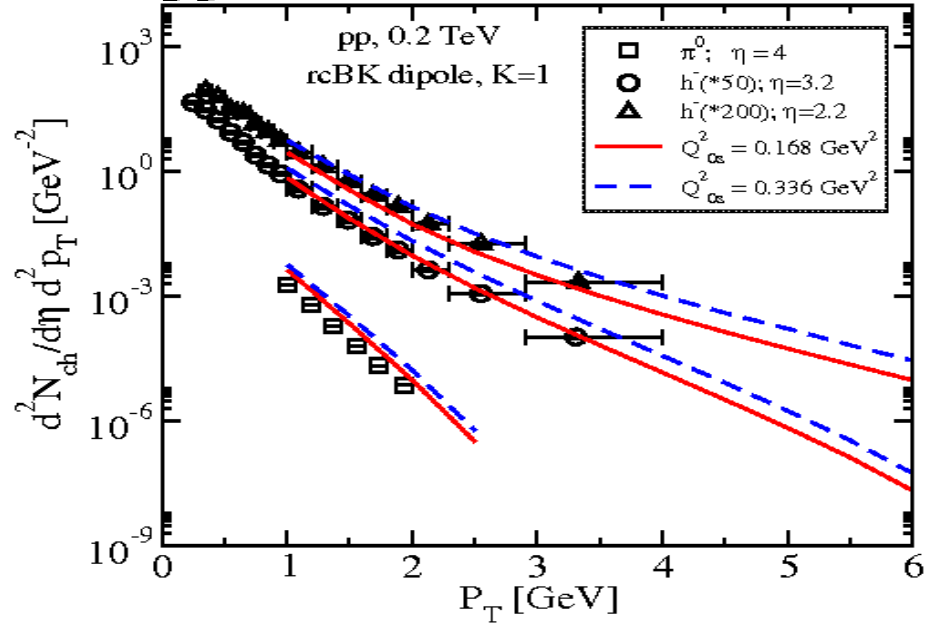
$$R_{pA} < 1 \quad \text{for all } P_t$$



$$R_{pA} \rightarrow A^{(\gamma-1)/3}$$

$k/Q_s$

# Single inclusive hadron production in pA



J. Jalilian-Marian, A. Rezaeian  
PRD85 (2012) 014017,  
arXiv:1204.1319



# Di-hadron production in pA: CGC

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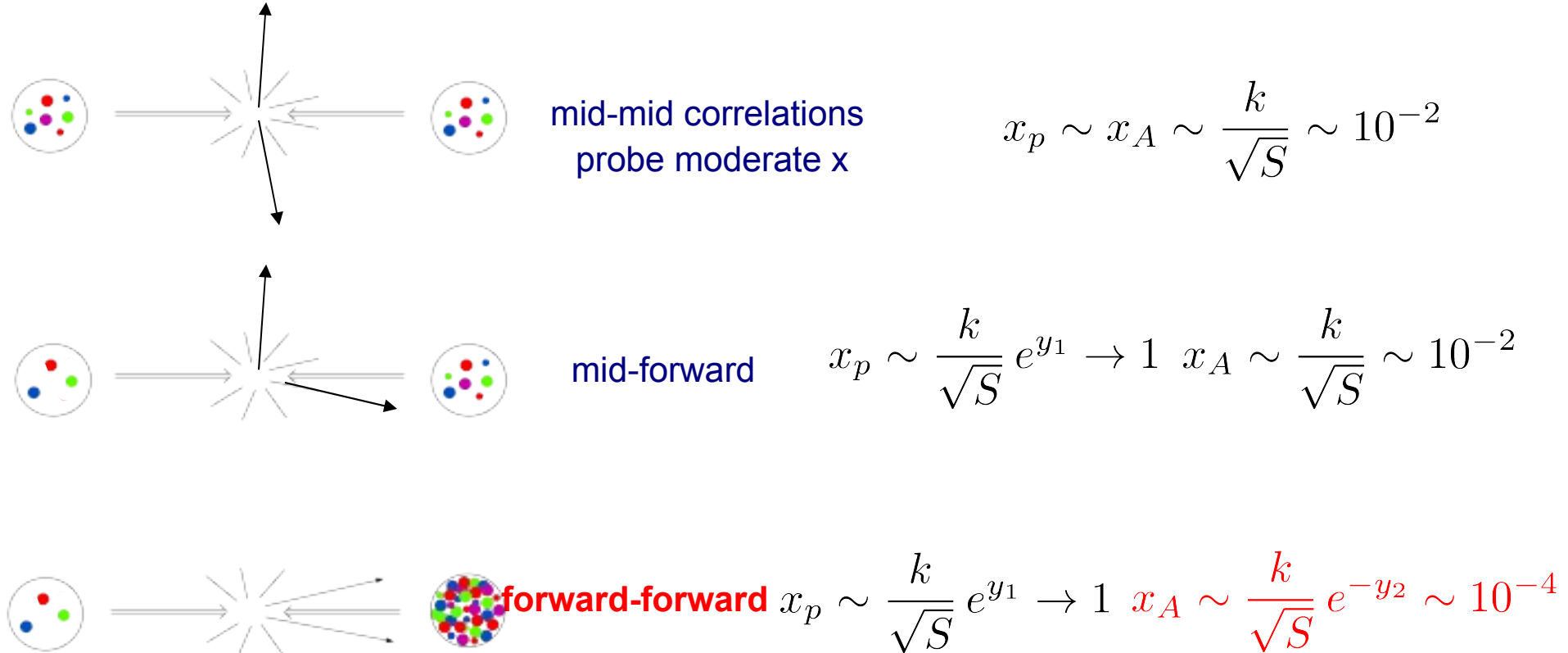
$k_1, y_1$     $k_2, y_2$

$$x_p = \frac{k_1 e^{y_1} + k_2 e^{y_2}}{\sqrt{s}}$$

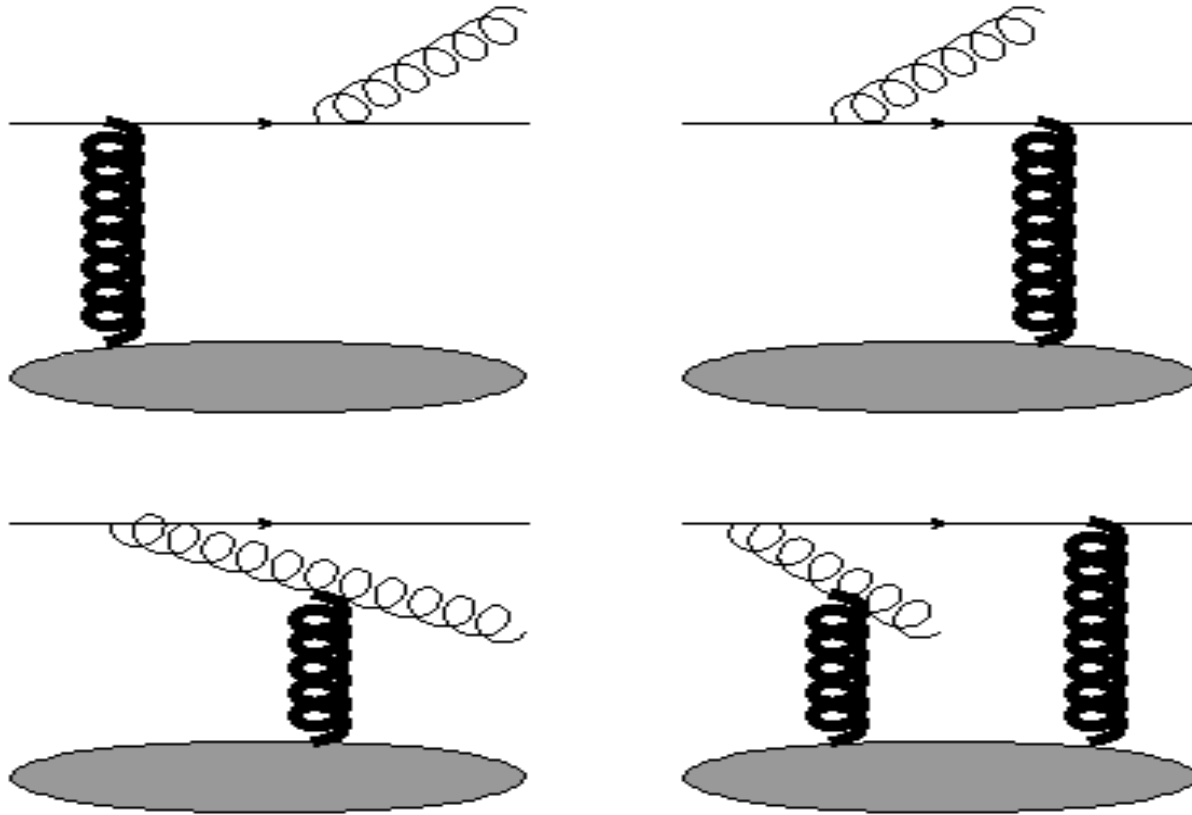
$$x_A = \frac{k_1 e^{-y_1} + k_2 e^{-y_2}}{\sqrt{s}}$$

scanning the wave-functions

$$k_1 \sim k_2 \sim k \sim 2 \text{ GeV}$$



# Di-jet production: pA $q(p) T \rightarrow q(q) g(k)$

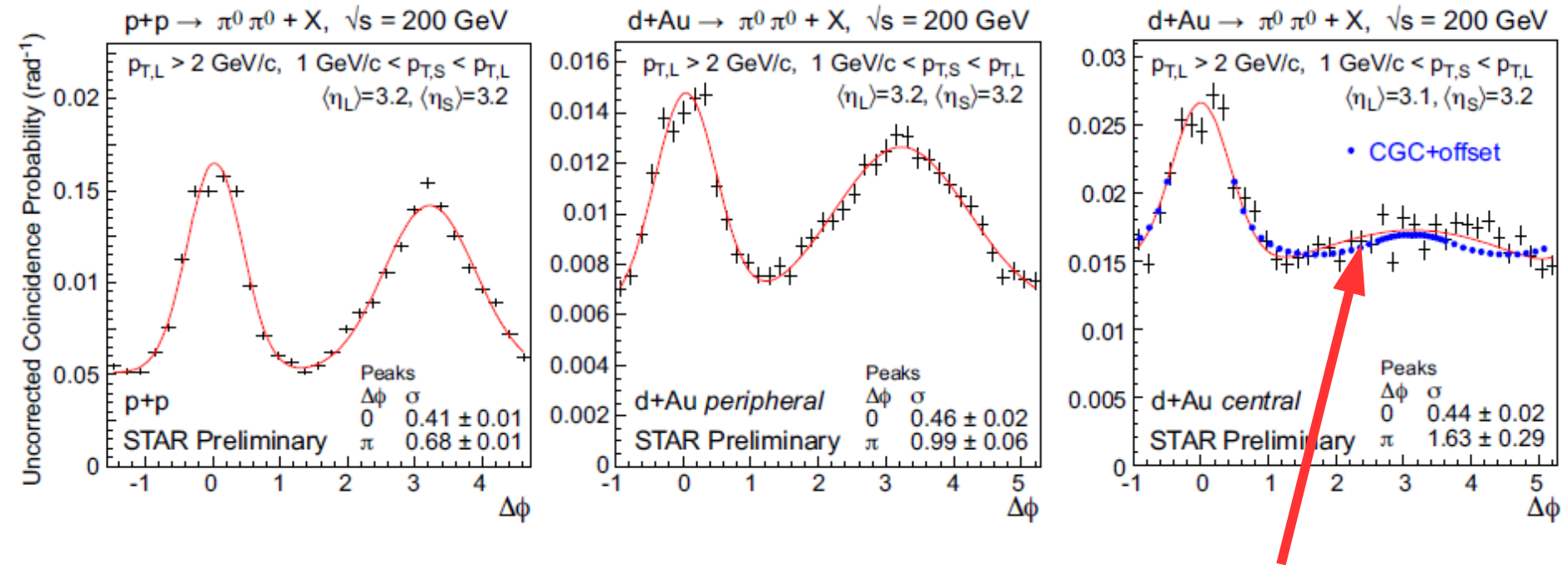


$$d\sigma \sim \int \mathbf{K} \otimes [\langle \text{Tr} \mathbf{V} \mathbf{V}^\dagger \rangle + \langle \text{Tr} \mathbf{V} \mathbf{V}^\dagger \mathbf{V} \mathbf{V}^\dagger \rangle + \dots]$$

$$\mathbf{V} \equiv \text{[gluon line]} \equiv \text{[gluon lines]} \dots \text{[gluon lines]} \sim \mathbf{1} + \mathbf{O}(g \rho) + \mathbf{O}(g^2 \rho^2)$$

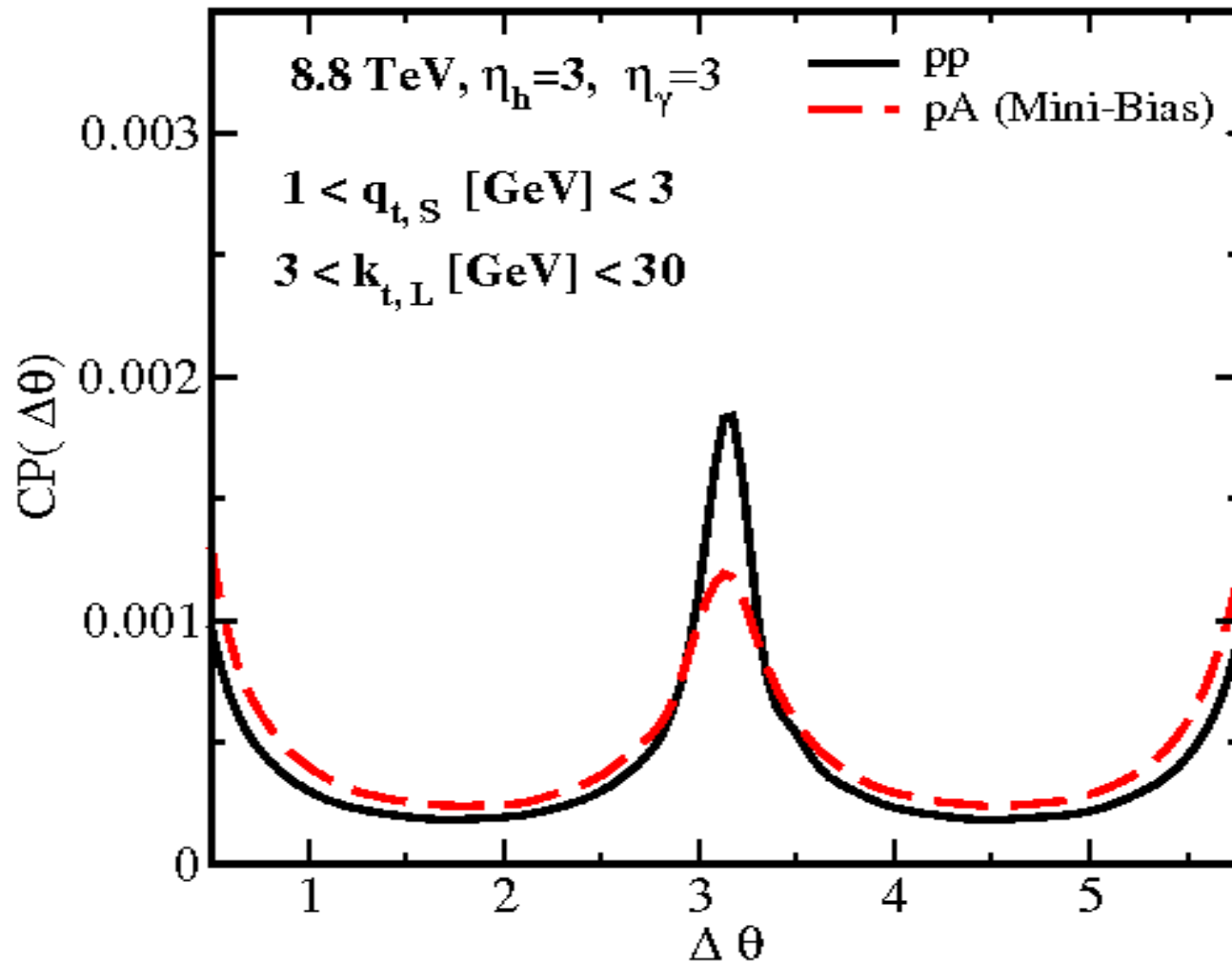
# disappearance of back to back jets

Recent STAR measurement (arXiv:1008.3989v1):



CGC fit from Albacete + Marquet, PRL (2010) *multiple scatterings*  
 Also by Tuchin, NPA846 (2010) and *de-correlate the hadrons*  
 A. Stasto, B-W. Xiao, F. Yuan, arXiv:1109.1817

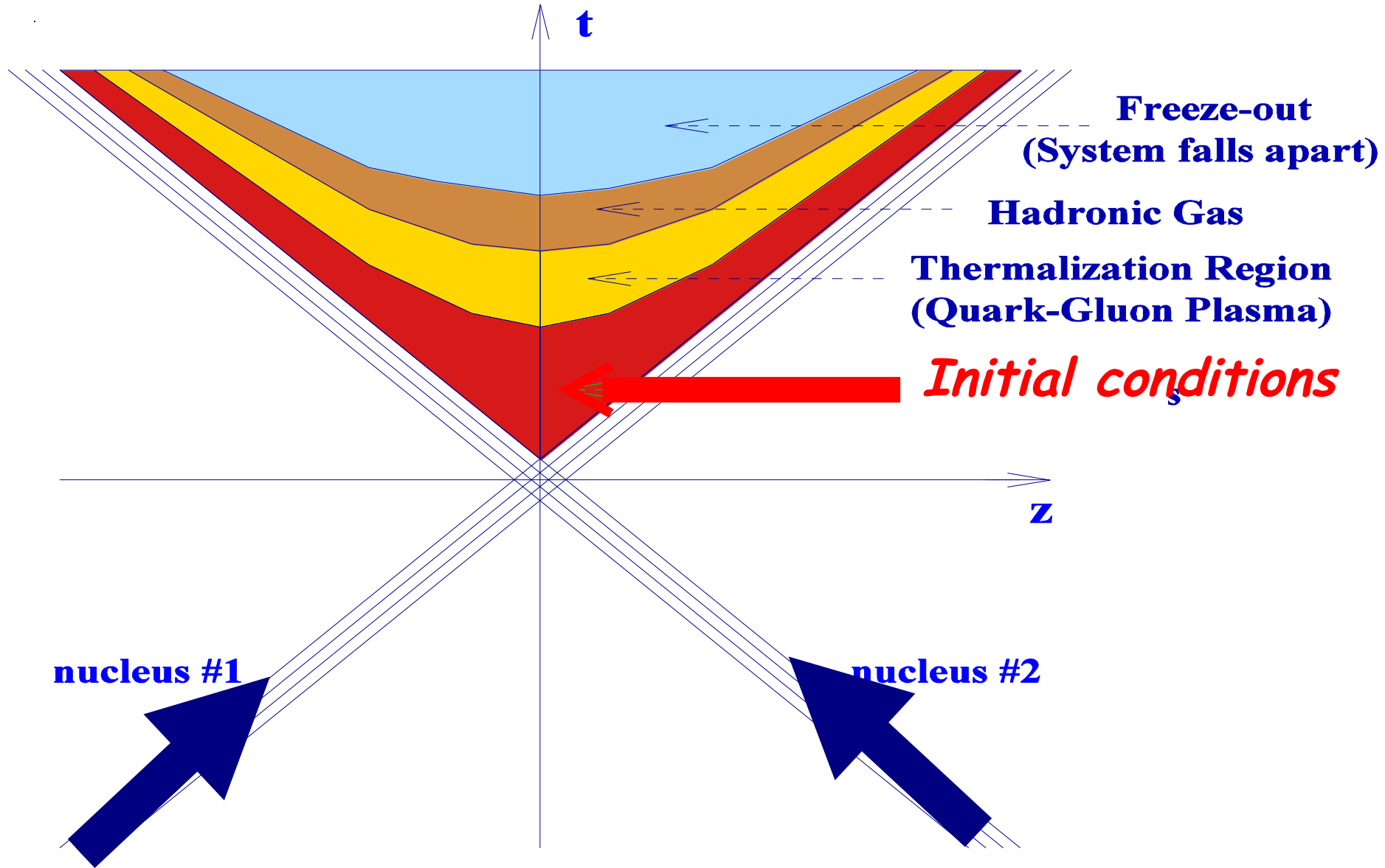
# Photon-hadron angular correlation



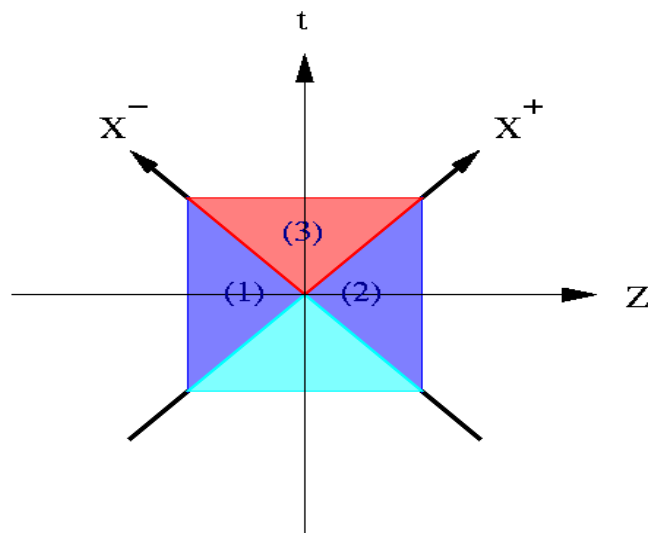
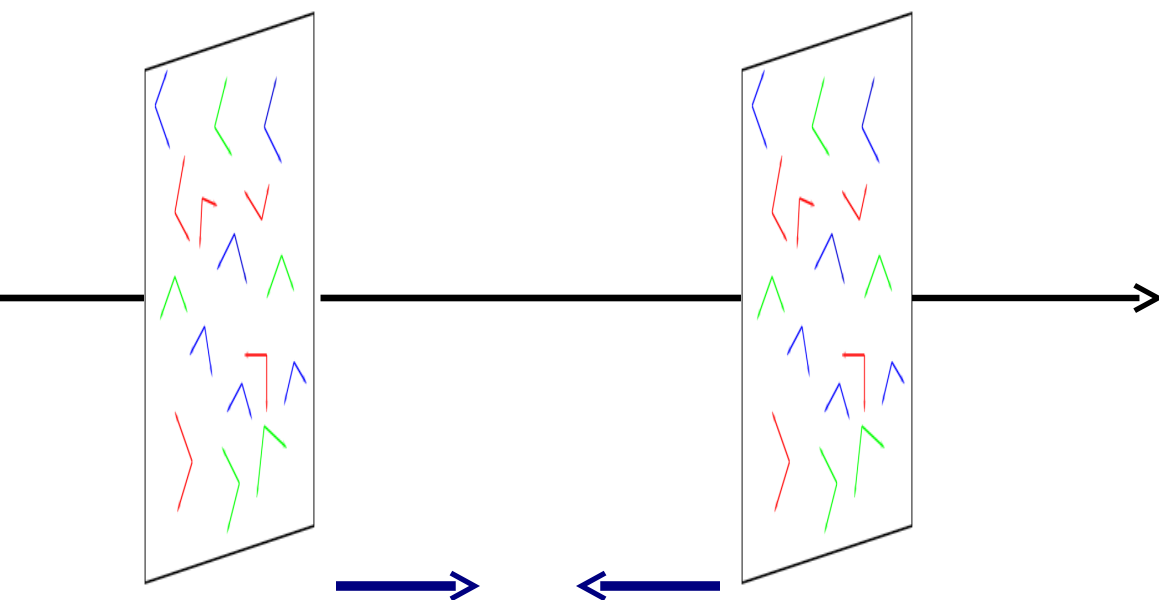
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# Space-Time History of a Heavy Ion Collision



# Heavy Ion Collisions at High Energy: Colliding Sheets of Color Glass



*before the collision:*

$$\mathbf{A}^+ = \mathbf{A}^- = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^i = \mathbf{A}_1^i + \mathbf{A}_2^i$$

$$\mathbf{A}_1^i = \theta(x^-)\theta(-x^+)\alpha_1^i$$

$$\mathbf{A}_2^i = \theta(-x^-)\theta(x^+)\alpha_2^i$$

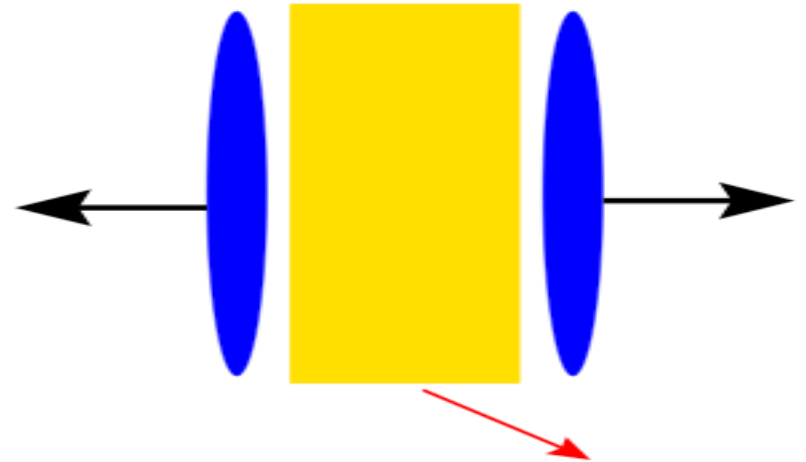
**after the collision:**

**solve for  $\mathbf{A}_\mu$**

**in the forward LC**

# Colliding Sheets of Color Glass at High Energies

solve the classical  
eqs. of motion in the  
forward light cone:  
subject to initial  
conditions given by  
one nucleus solution



**GLASMA**: strong color fields with  
occupation number  $\sim \frac{1}{\alpha_s}$

initial energy and multiplicity of produced gluons depend on  $Q_s$

$$\frac{1}{A_{\perp}} \frac{dE_{\perp}}{d\eta} = \frac{0.25}{g^2} Q_s^3$$

$$\frac{1}{A_{\perp}} \frac{dN}{d\eta} = \frac{0.3}{g^2} Q_s^2$$

# Aspects of low $X$ physics with ep/A at an EIC

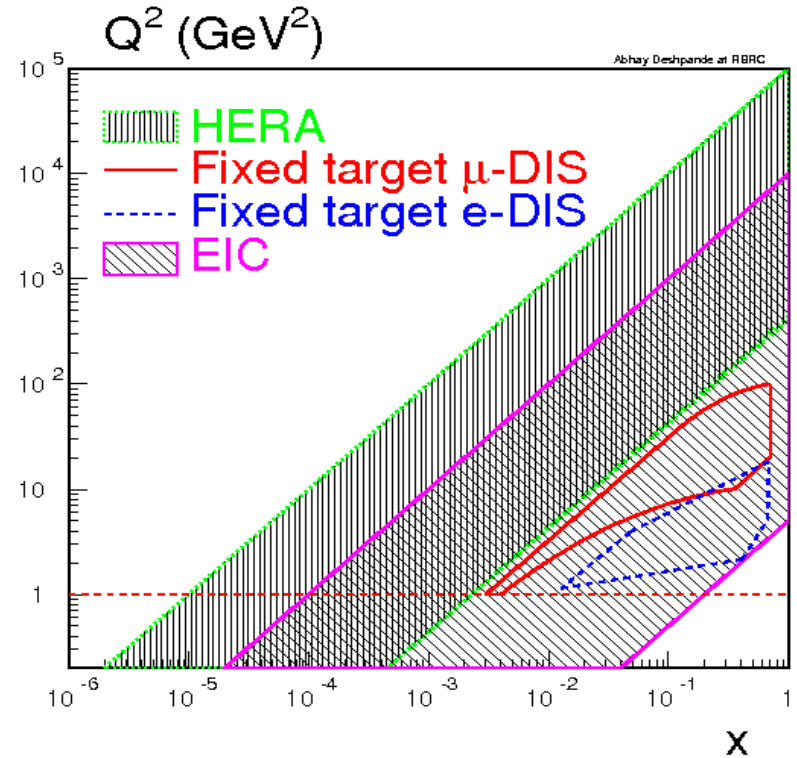
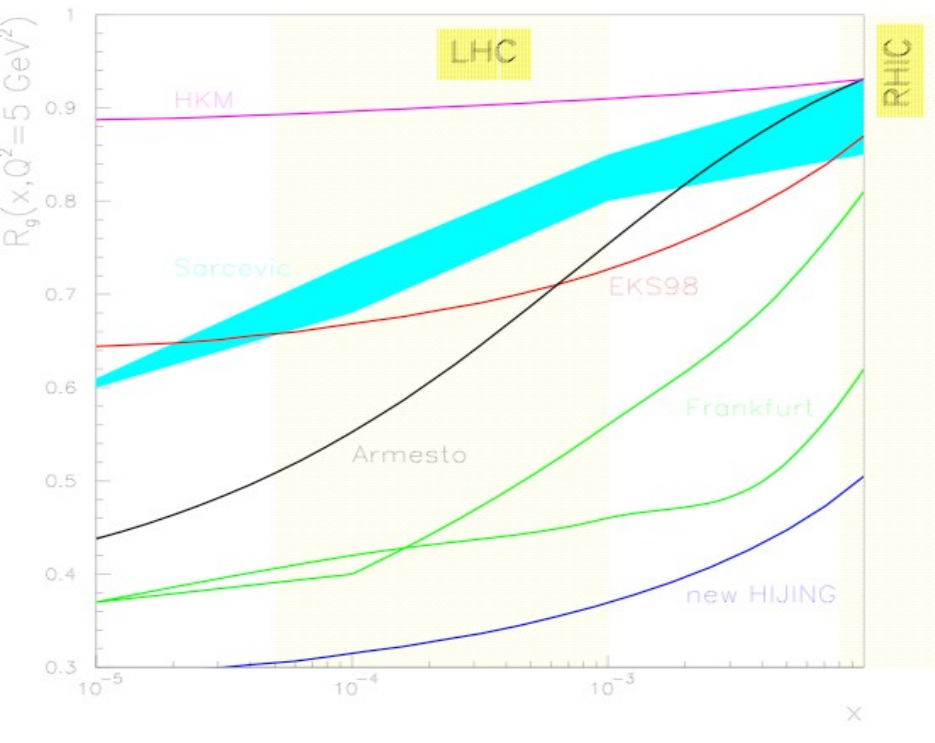
***Probing extreme QCD:***

*unitarity, universality, strong color fields*

***Connection to heavy ion physics at RHIC/LHC***

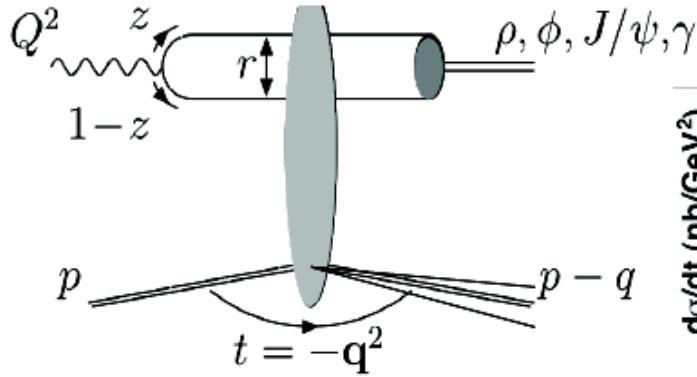


# Nuclear structure functions at EIC

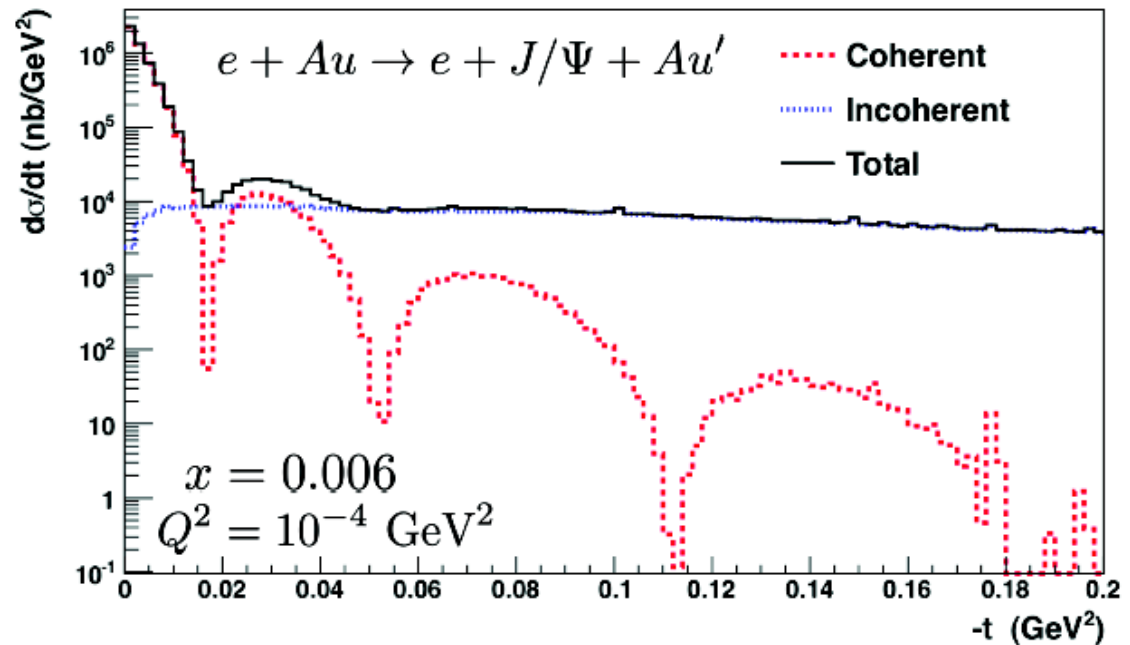


*Nuclear parton (gluon) distributions are poorly known:  
severe consequences for RHIC/LHC*

# Diffractive vector meson production



Toll and Ullrich (2011)



- as a function of  $t$

exclusive production (coherent):  
the target undergoes elastic  
scattering, dominates at small  $|t|$

→ steep exp. fall at small  $|t|$

target dissociation (incoherent): the target undergoes inelastic scattering, dominates at large  $|t|$

breakup into the nucleons

→ slower exp. fall at  $0.02 < -t < 0.7$  GeV<sup>2</sup>

breakup of the nucleons

→ power-law tail at large  $|t|$

**Fourier transform of  $t$  dependence gives the impact parameter profile of target**

# The role of initial conditions

*McLerran-Venugopalan (93)*  $\langle \mathbf{O}(\rho) \rangle \equiv \int \mathbf{D}[\rho] \mathbf{O}(\rho) \mathbf{W}[\rho]$

$$\mathbf{W}[\rho] \simeq \mathbf{e}^{-\int d^2 \mathbf{x}_t \frac{\rho^a(\mathbf{x}_t) \rho^a(\mathbf{x}_t)}{2 \mu^2}} \quad \mu^2 \equiv \frac{g^2 \Lambda}{S_{\perp}}$$

$$\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{r}_t) \equiv \frac{1}{N_c} \langle \text{Tr} [1 - \mathbf{V}(\mathbf{r}_t)^\dagger \mathbf{V}(0)] \rangle \sim 1 - \mathbf{e}^{-[\mathbf{r}_t^2 Q_s^2]^\gamma \log(e + \frac{1}{\mathbf{r}_t \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}})}$$

*with*  $\gamma = 1.119$

*how about higher order terms in  $\rho$ ?*

$$\mathbf{W}[\rho] \simeq \mathbf{e}^{-\int d^2 \mathbf{x}_t \left[ \frac{\rho^a(\mathbf{x}_t) \rho^a(\mathbf{x}_t)}{2 \mu^2} - \frac{\mathbf{d}^{abc} \rho^a(\mathbf{x}_t) \rho^b(\mathbf{x}_t) \rho^c(\mathbf{x}_t)}{\kappa_3} + \frac{\mathbf{F}^{abcd} \rho^a(\mathbf{x}_t) \rho^b(\mathbf{x}_t) \rho^c(\mathbf{x}_t) \rho^d(\mathbf{x}_t)}{\kappa_4} \right]}$$

*these higher order terms make the single inclusive spectra steeper*

*Dumitru-Jalilian-Marian-Petreska, PRD84 (2011) 014018*

*Dumitru-Petreska,, NPA879 (2012) 59*

# Summary

**CGC is an effective theory of QCD at high energy  
limited to low-intermediate  $P_t$  region**

**No smoking gun but that may be unrealistic  
Need to measure as many different  
processes as possible**

**CGC describes a wide range of phenomena**

**Large uncertainties at LHC at  $y = 0$   
Much more robust in forward rapidity**

**pA@LHC run will constrain CGC significantly  
Need an EIC for precision studies of CGC**