

# Dipole approach to DIS scattering processes

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# Deep inelastic scattering

- ▶ Rutherford experiments 1911 - scattering of alpha particles on atoms of gold
- ▶ Experiments at SLAC, CERN, DESY 1967 - 2007 - Lepton scattering on nucleons:  $eN, \mu N, \nu N$ .



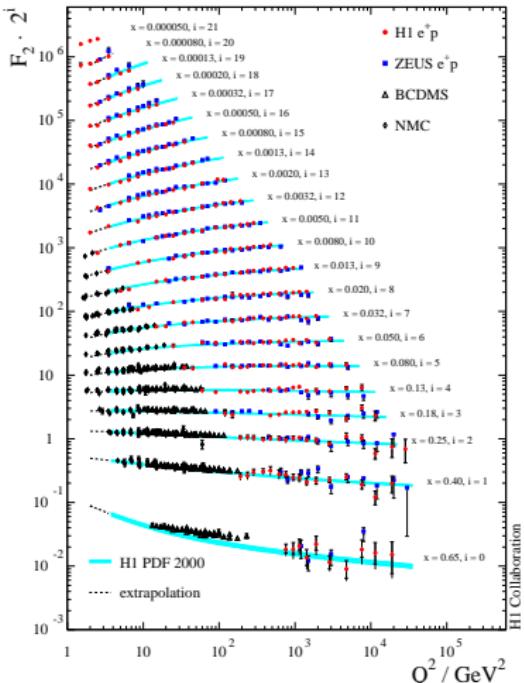
- ▶ Cross section  $\gamma^* p$  through scattered electron:

$$F_2(x, Q^2)$$

$$F_L(x, Q^2)$$

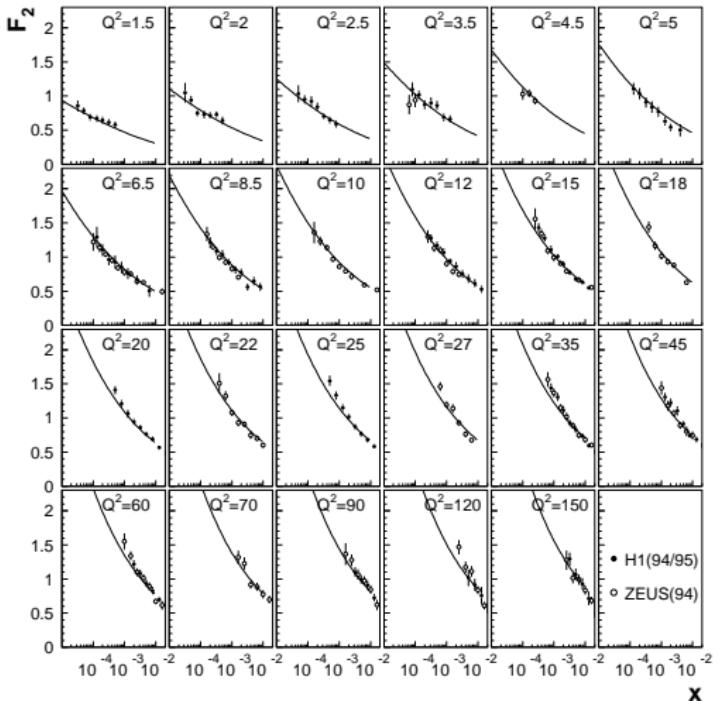
$$F_3(x, Q^2)$$

# Various ways of showing the results



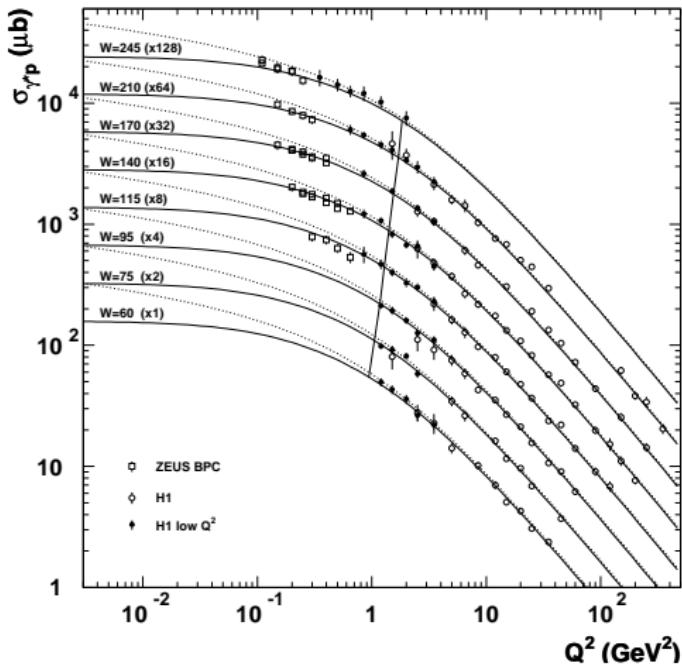
- Logarithmic dependence on  $Q^2$  – Bjorken scaling violation

# Various ways of showing the results



- Strong rise as  $x \rightarrow 0$  - low  $x$  effects

# Various ways of showing the results



- Transition to low  $Q^2$  for  $\sigma_{\gamma^* p} = F_2/Q^2$

The three ways of showing the same data concentrate of three different theoretical aspects of QCD description of DIS:

- ▶ **scaling violation** - DGLAP evolution (pdf determination)
- ▶ **low  $x$  behaviour** - BFKL evolution
- ▶ **transition to low  $Q^2$**  - saturation/unitarization effects

These aspects are interconnected.

# DGLAP evolution equations

- ▶ Parton distribution functions from structure functions

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = \sum_f e_f^2 \left\{ q_f^2(x, Q^2) + \bar{q}_f(x, Q^2) \right\}$$

- ▶ PDFs evolve logarithmically with  $Q^2$

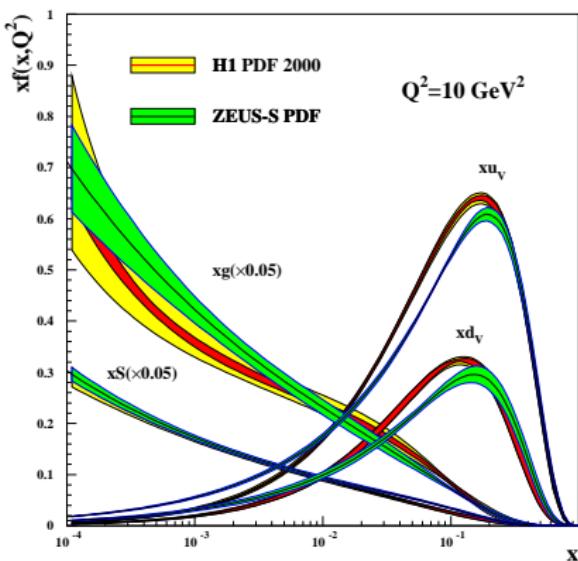
$$\frac{\partial q_f(x, Q^2)}{\partial \ln Q^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} P_{ff}(x/z) q_f(z, Q^2) + P_{fg} \otimes g$$

$$\frac{\partial g(x, Q^2)}{\partial \ln Q^2} = P_{gg} \otimes g + \sum_f P_{gf} \otimes q_f$$

- ▶ Fit  $x$ -shape of initial conditions to DIS data

$$q_f(x, Q_0^2) \quad g(x, Q_0^2)$$

# PDFs from global fits



- ▶ Fast partons  $x \sim 1$ : valence quarks
- ▶ Wee partons  $x \ll 1$ : sea  $q\bar{q}$  quarks and gluons

The observed strong rise of sea quark and gluon distributions is predicted by

- ▶ double logarithmic limit of DGALP equation:  $x \rightarrow 0$  and  $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$

$$xg(x, Q^2) \sim \exp\{2\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_s \ln(1/x) \ln(Q^2)}\}$$

- ▶ BFKL equation for **transverse momentum** dependent gluon distribution

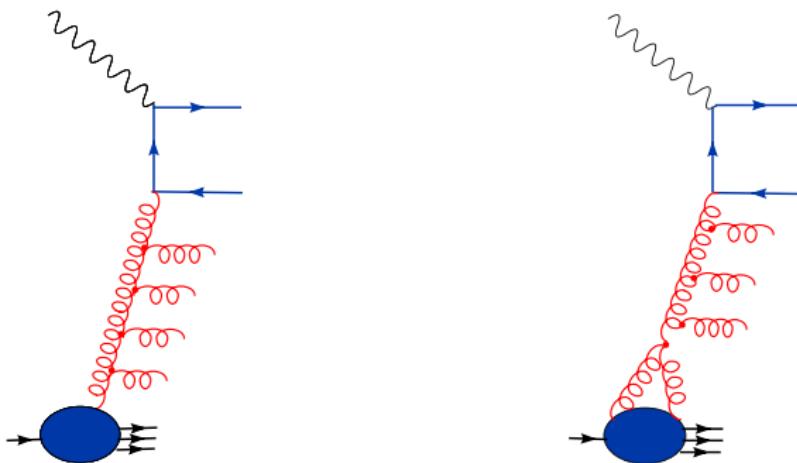
$$f(x, k_\perp) \sim x^{-4\bar{\alpha}_s \ln 2} \times \exp\left\{\frac{-\ln^2(k_\perp^2)}{\sqrt{a \ln(1/x)}}\right\} \quad x \rightarrow 0$$

Strong increase of gluon (and sea) distributions calls for taming -

**saturation/unitarization effects**

# Cartoon of gluon recombination

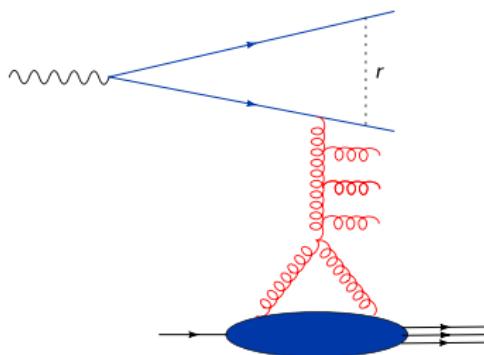
## DIS on sea quarks



- ▶ gluon recombination as a mechanism of saturation effects
- ▶ multiple scattering

## Dipole scattering view of DIS at low $x$

- ▶ in the proton rest frame photon splits into  $q\bar{q}$  dipole



- ▶ dipole - proton interaction is well separated from photon splitting

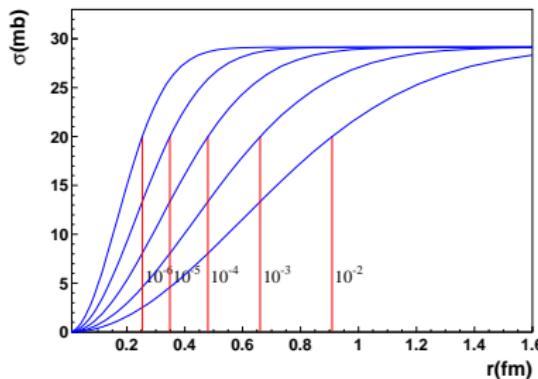
$$\sigma_{\gamma^* p} = \frac{F_2}{4\pi Q^2} = \int d^2 r \int_0^1 dz |\Psi(z, r, Q^2, m_f)|^2 \hat{\sigma}(x, r)$$

- ▶ saturation effects are contained in dipole cross section  $\hat{\sigma}$

# Saturation model for dipole cross section $\hat{\sigma}(x, r)$

(KGB, M.Wuesthoff, PRD 59 (1998) 014017)

- strength of the dipole interaction with the proton



- small dipoles interact weakly, large dipole interaction saturates to  $\sigma_0$
- for  $x \rightarrow 0$  even small dipoles start to interact strongly
- physical interpretation: proton becomes denser as  $x \rightarrow 0$

- ▶ Dipole cross section with 3 parameters fitted to DIS data with  $x \leq 10^{-2}$

$$\hat{\sigma}(x, r) = \sigma_0 \left\{ 1 - \exp \left( -r^2 / R_s^2(x) \right) \right\}$$

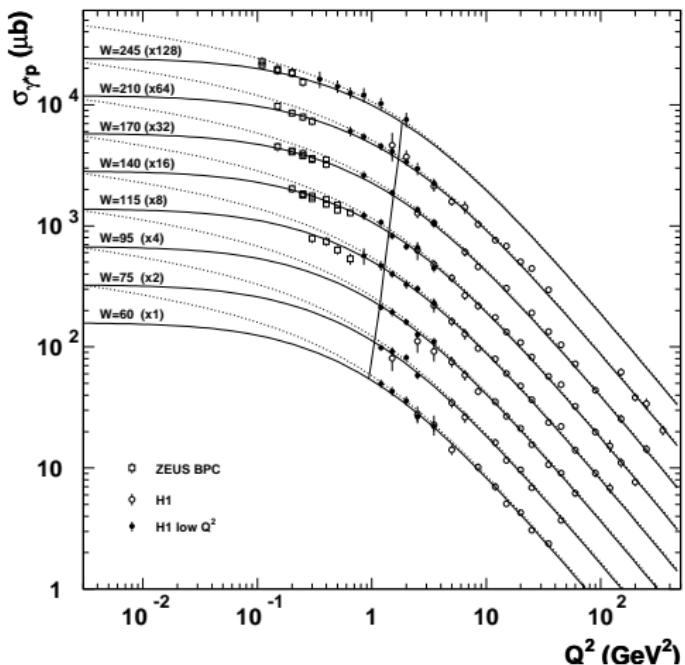
- ▶ Saturation scale  $R_s(x) = R_0 x^{\lambda > 0}$  sets the scale for dipole size
- ▶ Transition to saturation,  $\hat{\sigma} \rightarrow \sigma_0$ , can be achieved in two different ways

$$x \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{or} \quad r \rightarrow \infty$$

- ▶ the first is parton saturation, the second describe transition to low  $Q^2$

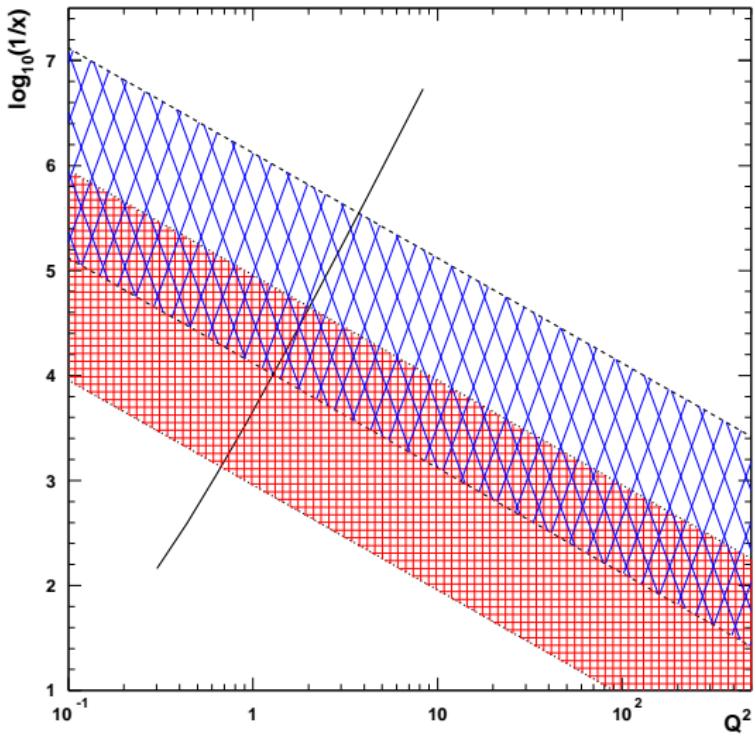
$$r_{charact} = \frac{1}{Q}$$

# Transition of $\sigma_{\gamma^* p} = F_2/Q^2$ to low $Q^2$



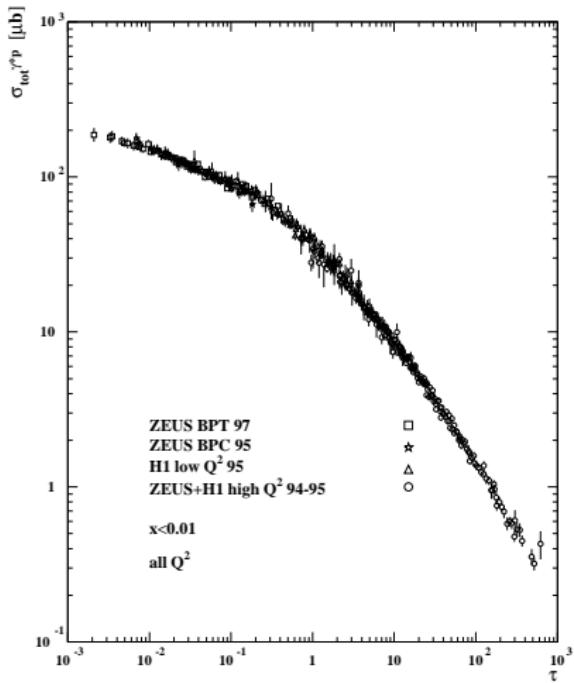
- saturation line:  $\frac{1}{Q} = R_s(x)$

# Saturation line on $(Q^2, x)$ plane



# Geometric scaling

$$\hat{\sigma}(r/R_s(x)) \Rightarrow \sigma_{\gamma^* p}(\tau = Q^2 R_s^2(x))$$

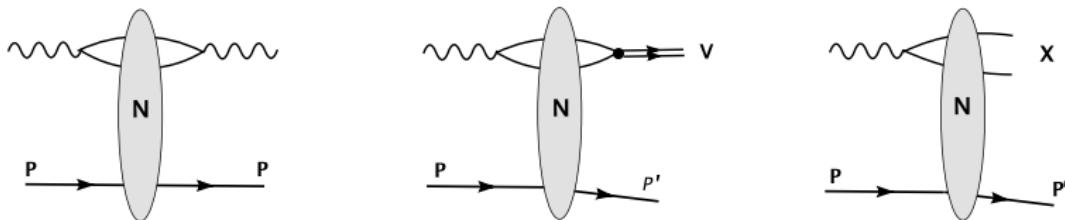


(A. Staśo, KGB, J. Kwieciński, PRL 86 (2001) 596)

## Application to diffractive processes

- Universality of dipole scattering amplitude  $N(x, r, b)$  in diffractive processes

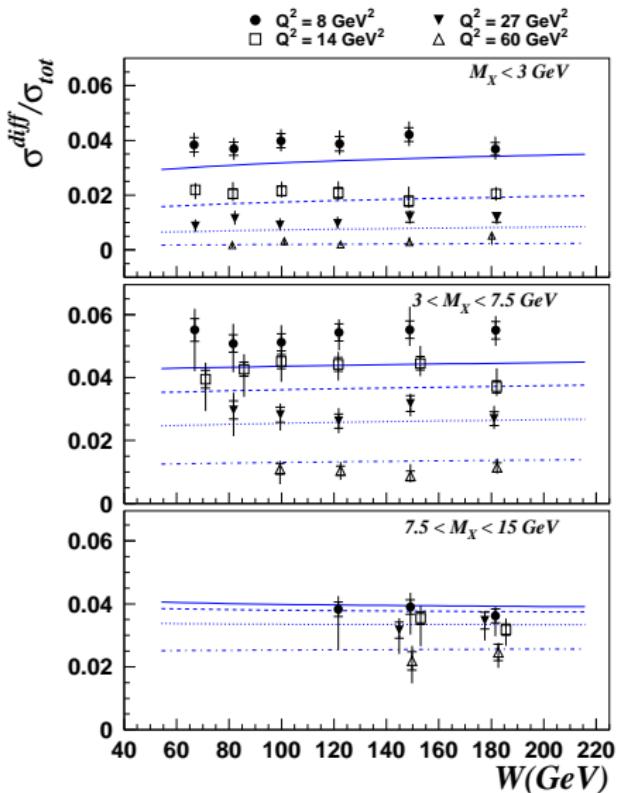
$$\hat{\sigma}(x, r) = 2 \int d^2 b N(x, r, b)$$



- vector meson and open diffractive production amplitudes
- explanation of constant ratio (KGB, M. Wuesthoff, PRD 60 (1999) 114023)

$$\frac{\sigma_{\text{diff}}}{\sigma_{\gamma^* p}} \sim \frac{1}{\ln(Q^2 R_s^2(x))}$$

# Constant ratio - comparison with data



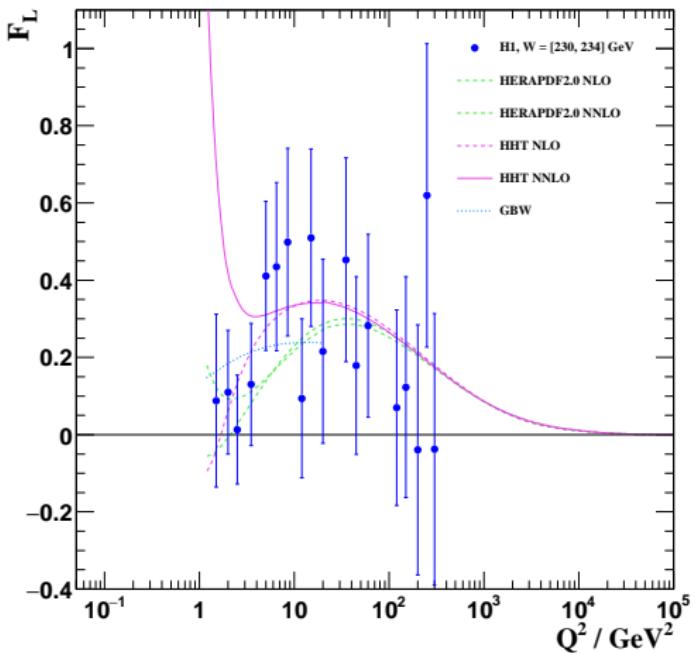
By the same token one can discuss

- ▶ photoproduction limit - logarithmically sensitive to dipole quark mass

$$\sigma_{\gamma p} \sim \sigma_0 \ln \left( \frac{1}{m_f^2 R_s^2(x)} \right) \quad x = \frac{4m_f^2}{W^2}$$

- ▶ heavy quark contribution to structure functions:  $1/m_c < R_s$  at HERA
- ▶ longitudinal structure function

# Longitudinal structure function $F_L$



(I. Abt, A.M. Cooper-Sarkar, B.Foster, V. Myronenko, K. Wichmann, M. Wing, PRD 94 (2016)  
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# Important improvements

- ▶ Small dipole corrections to match pQCD results

$$N(x, r) \sim r^2 \alpha_s G(x, 1/r^2)$$

(J. Bartels, KGB, H. Kowalski, PRD 66 (2002) 014001)

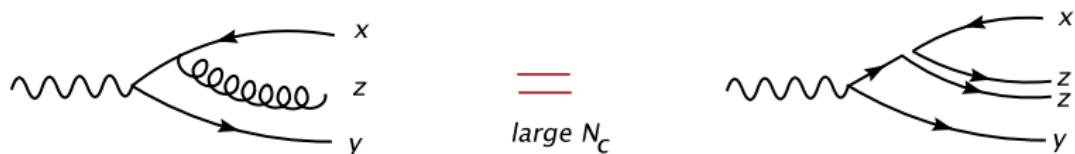
- ▶ Impact parameter dependence - to match  $t$ -dependence of VM production

$$T(b) = \frac{1}{2\pi B} \exp(-b^2/2B) \quad Q_s(x, b) = Q_0 x^{-\lambda} T(b)$$

(Kowalski, Motyka, Watt, PRD74 (2006) 074016)

# QCD justification of dipole models

- Soft gluon emissions with  $z_g \ll z_q$  (A. H. Mueller, Nucl.Phys. B415 (1994) 373)



- Dipole splitting probability  $(xy) \rightarrow (xz) + (zy)$ :

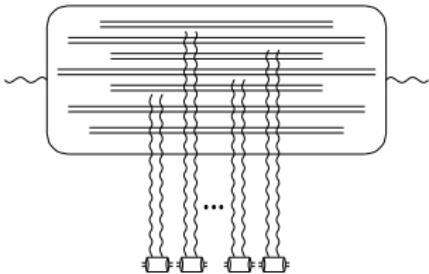
$$\frac{dP}{dY d^2z} = \frac{N_c \alpha_s}{2\pi^2} \frac{(\vec{x} - \vec{y})^2}{(\vec{x} - \vec{z})^2 (\vec{z} - \vec{y})^2} \equiv K(x, y, z)$$

- Classical branching process with generating functional  $Z(x, y, Y; u)$
- Multi-dipole distributions in onium

$$n_k(r_1, b_1, \dots, r_k, b_k; Y) = \frac{1}{k!} \frac{\delta^k Z(x, y, Y, u)}{\delta u(r_1, b_1) \dots \delta u(r_k, b_k)}$$

# Balitsky-Kovchegov equation

- ▶ BFKL growth in a number of color dipoles:  $n_1 \sim e^{4 \ln 2 \bar{\alpha}_s Y}$
- ▶ **Large nucleus:** multiple rescattering of each dipole on different nucleons



- ▶ Dipole scattering amplitude

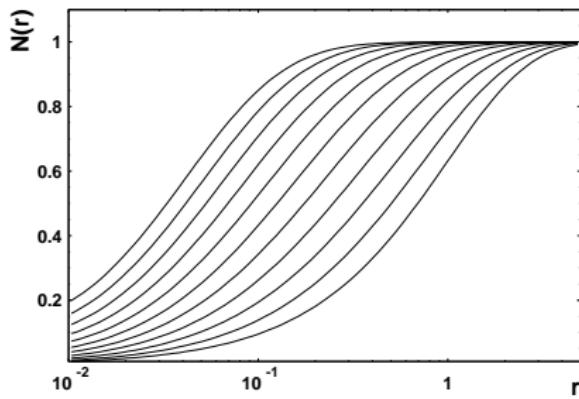
$$-N(x, y; Y) = n_1 \cdot \gamma + n_2 \cdot (\gamma)^2 + n_3 \cdot (\gamma)^3 + \dots$$

- ▶ Nonlinear evolution equation (Y. Kovchegov, PRD 60 (1999) 034008)

$$\frac{\partial N(x, y)}{\partial Y} = \int d^2 z \, K(x, y, z) \{ N(x, y) + N(y, z) - N(x, y) - N(x, y)N(y, z) \}$$

## Properties of the solution at fixed $b$

- ▶ Introducing  $r = x - y$  and  $b = (x + y)/2$



- ▶ local unitarity:  $N \leq 1$
- ▶ saturation scale:  $Q_s(x) = 1/R_s \sim x^{-4 \ln 2 \bar{\alpha}_s}$
- ▶ (approximate) geometric scaling:  $N = N(r Q_s(x))$

## Problems with BK equation

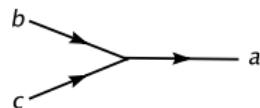
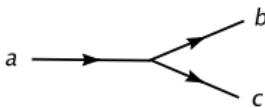
- ▶ **Important problem:**  $b$ -dependence - long nonpert. tail to be suppressed
- ▶ Color **quadrupols** and higher **multipoles** are neglected. In BK equation

$$N(x_\perp, y_\perp, Y) = 1 - \frac{1}{N_c} \left\langle \text{Tr}(V^\dagger(x_\perp) V(x_\perp)) \right\rangle_Y$$

where

$$V(x_\perp) = P \exp \left( ig \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx^+ A_a^-(x^+, x_\perp) t^a \right)$$

- ▶ Balitsky hierarchy for higher order correlators.  
(R. Boussarie, L. Szymanowski, S. Wallon- recent works)
- ▶ **No saturation** in dipole number density. Missing **dipole merging**:  $2 \rightarrow 1$



## Application to hadronic collisions

- ▶ Drell-Yan productions with  $q/\bar{q}$  momentum fractions  $x_1 \sim 1$  and  $x_2 \ll 1$
- ▶ Fast quark scatters off the proton color field

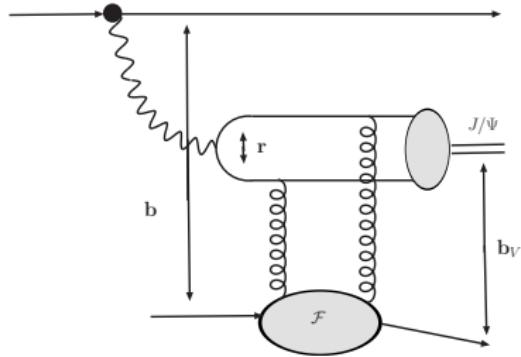


$$\sigma_{T,L}(qp \rightarrow \gamma^* X) = \int d^2r W_{T,L}(z, r, M^2) \hat{\sigma}(x_2, zr)$$

(KGB, E. Lewandowska, A. Staśto, PRD 82 (2010) 094010)

## Application to hadronic collisions

- ▶ Exclusive vector meson production in pp and pA collisions



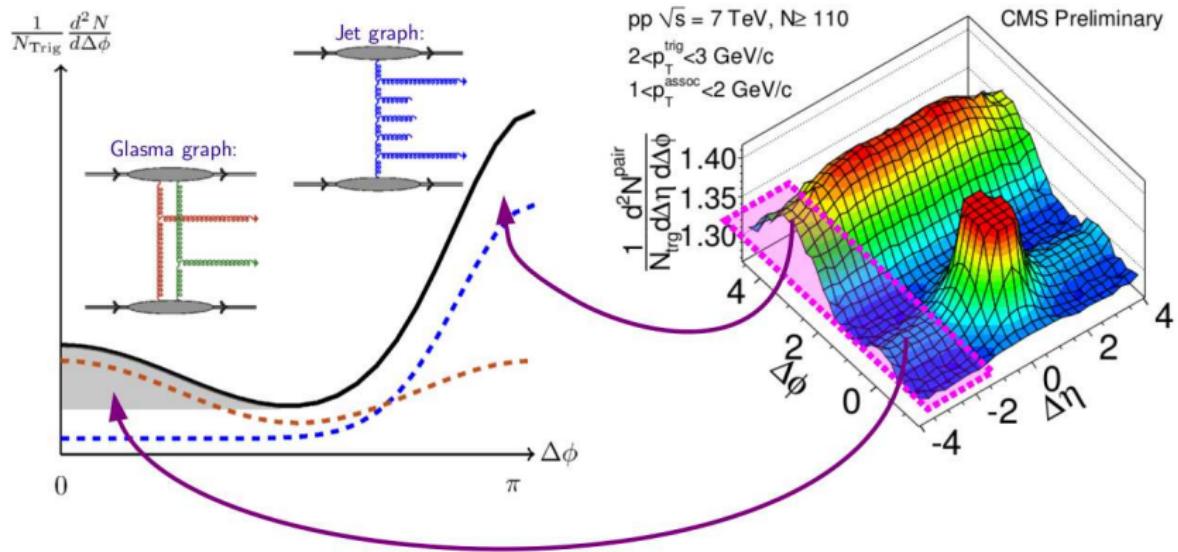
- ▶ Predictions done also in term of the unintegrated gluon distribution
- ▶ Forward production (jet, particles) in hybrid factorization

- ▶ Gluon density enhanced by large number of nucleons  $A \gg 1$



- ▶ Collision of two dense gluon condensate. Theory behind
  - ▶ Color Glass Condensate  
(F. Gelis, E. Iancu, J. Jalilian-Marian, R. Venugopalan, arXiv:1002.0333)
  - ▶ Glasma  
(L. McLerran, T. Lappi, Nucl. Phys. A772 (2006) 200)

## Ridge in $pp$ and $pA$ collisions



- ▶ Dipole model approach with saturation to DIS turned out to be very fruitful in understanding processes at low  $x$ .
- ▶ It triggered a lot of theoretical efforts based on QCD - CGC, plasma, Wilson lines, dipole operators, shock waves and many more.
- ▶ In  $pp$  and heavy ion collisions is not so much fruitful due to complexity of the initial and final state interactions.
- ▶ However - in selected kinematic configurations seems to be important: forward production in  $pA$ , ultraperipheral collisions, initial state for hydro evolution of  $AA$  or  $pA$ .