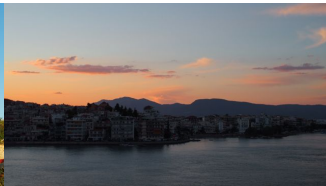


A brief survey of high-energy evolution in pQCD

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- **A.** Including the **non-linear effects** associated with high gluon density:
 - gluon saturation, multiple scattering, color glass condensate
 - from pioneering papers ...
L. Gribov, Levin, and Ryskin, 1983; Mueller and Qiu, 1985; McLerran and Venugopalan, 1993.
 - ... to correct equations
 - the Balitsky hierarchy (*Balitsky, 96*)
 - the Balitsky-Kovchegov (BK) equation (*Kovchegov, 99*)
 - the functional JIMWLK equation (1997-2000)
(*Jalilian-Marian, Iancu, McLerran, Weigert, Leonidov, Kovner*)

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- **B.** Extending the leading-order (LO) evolution equations to **next-to-leading order (NLO) accuracy and beyond**
 - the NLO BFKL equation (*Fadin, Lipatov; Camici, Ciafaloni, 98*)
 - running coupling corrections to BK (*Kovchegov, Weigert; Balitsky, 06*)
 - full NLO version of the BK equation (*Balitsky and Chirilli, 2008*)
 - Balitsky hierarchy at NLO (*Balitsky and Chirilli, 2013*)
 - JIMWLK evolution at NLO (*Kovner, Lublinsky, and Mulian, 2013*)

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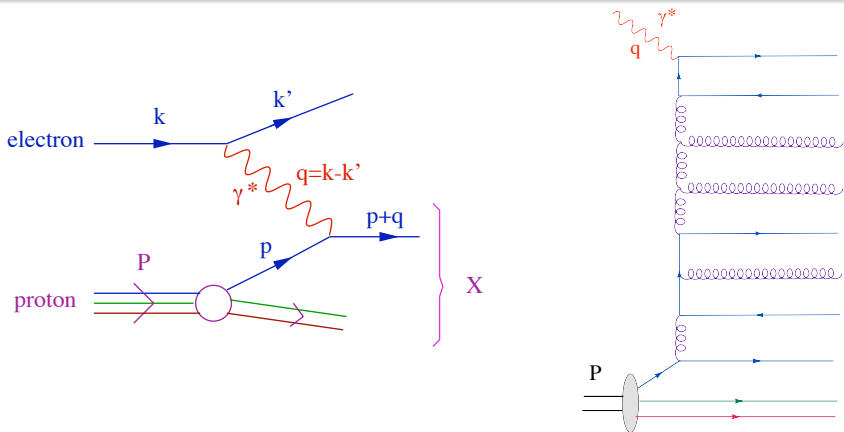
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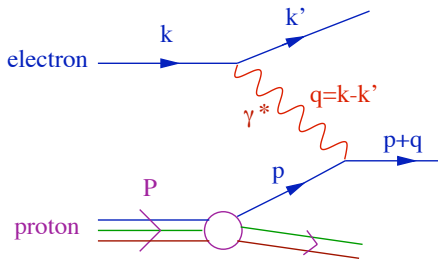
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- **This talk:** an introduction to BFKL and BK, aiming at pedagogy
 - LO, NLO, all-order collinear resummations
- *For more details and phenomenology, see the talk by Dionysis on Friday*

Deep inelastic scattering

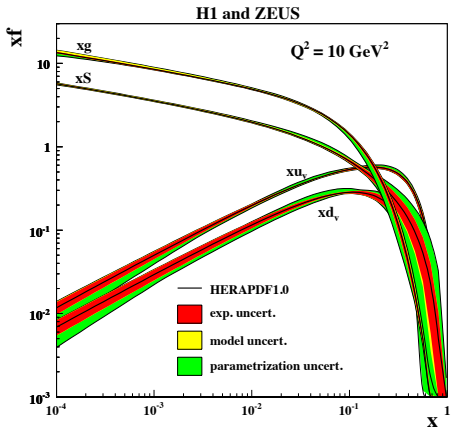


- The virtual photon γ^* couples to the (anti)quarks inside the proton
- **Gluons** are measured **indirectly**, via their effect on quark distribution
- **Parton evolution**: change in the partonic content when changing the **resolution scales** x and Q^2 , due to **additional radiation**

Deep inelastic scattering at HERA



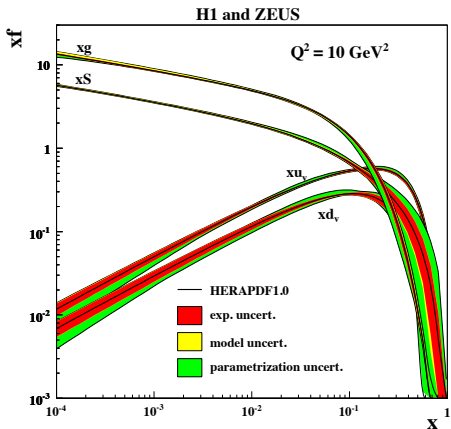
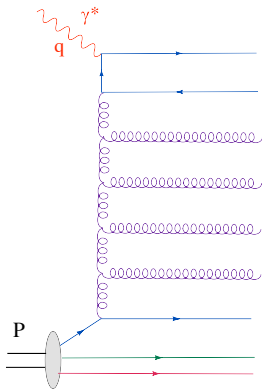
$$Q^2 = -q^\mu q_\mu > 0, \quad x = \frac{Q^2}{s}$$



- Parton distribution functions: $xq(x, Q^2)$, $xG(x, Q^2)$

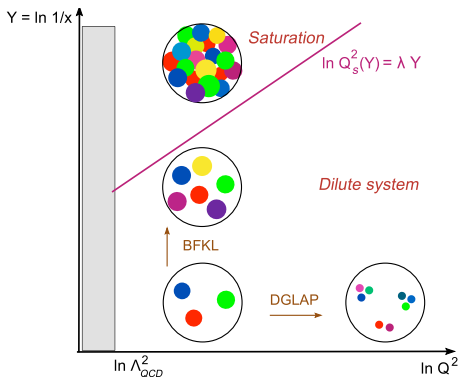
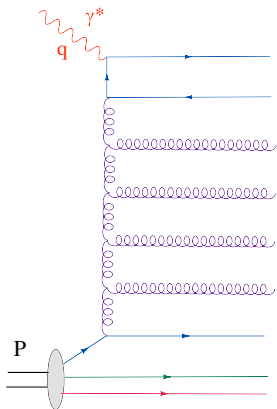
▷ number of partons (quark, gluons) with transverse size $\Delta x_\perp \sim 1/Q$
and longitudinal momentum fraction $x \sim Q^2/s$

The small- x partons are mostly gluons



- For $x \leq 0.01$ the hadron wavefunction contains **mostly gluons** !
- Small- x gluons are abundantly produced via **bremsstrahlung**
- Their number increases rapidly with decreasing x : $xG(x, Q^2) \sim 1/x^\lambda$

Gluon evolution at small x

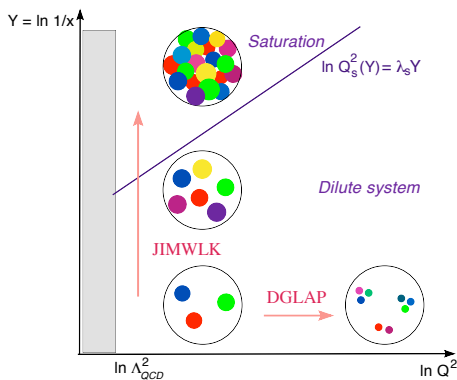
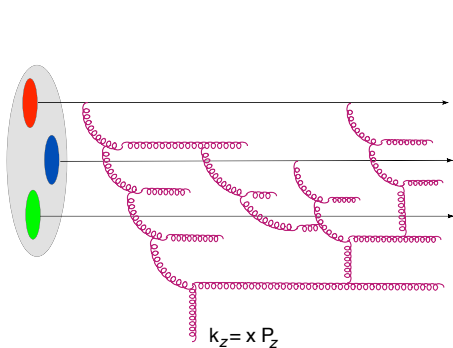


- The **gluon occupation number** rises rapidly with $1/x$:

$$n(x, Q^2) \equiv \frac{xG(x, Q^2)}{Q^2 \pi R^2} \propto \frac{1}{x^\lambda}, \quad \lambda = 0.2 \div 0.3$$

- Cannot exceed a value $n \sim 1/\alpha_s$ (would violate unitarity)

Gluon saturation



- $\alpha_s n \sim 1$: strong overlapping which compensates small coupling
- The evolution becomes **non-linear**, leading to **gluon saturation**
- BFKL gets replaced by **JIMWLK** (infinite hierarchy)
- At large N_c , **JIMWLK** \approx **BK** (see below)

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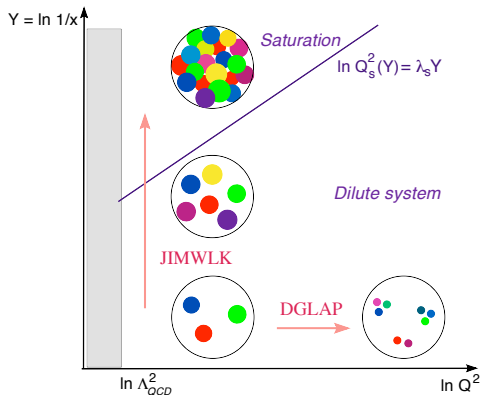
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λ_s : saturation exponent



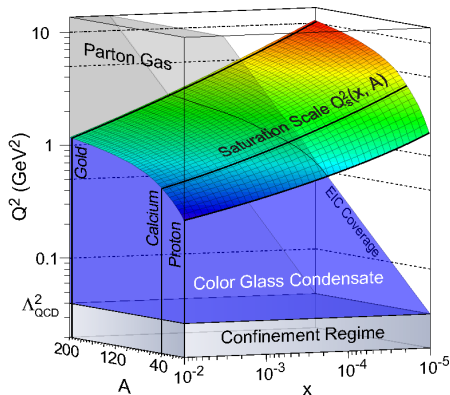
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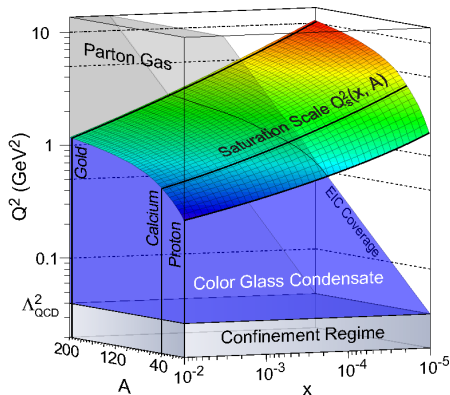
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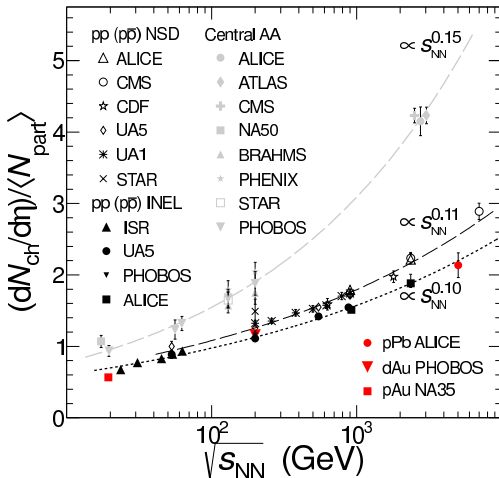
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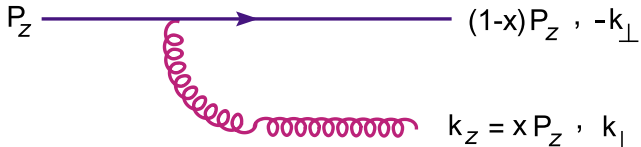


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- $x \sim 10^{-5}$: $Q_s \sim 1$ GeV for proton and ~ 3 GeV for Pb or Au

Multiplicity : energy dependence

- Particle multiplicity $dN/d\eta \propto Q_s^2 \sim s^{\lambda_s/2}$
- $\lambda_s \simeq 0.2 \div 0.3$ at NLO accuracy (*Triantafyllopoulos, 2003*)





$$d\mathcal{P}_{\text{Brem}} \equiv \sum_{a,\lambda} \left| \mathcal{M}_\lambda^a(k_z, \mathbf{k}_\perp) \right|^2 \simeq \frac{\alpha_s C_R}{\pi^2} \frac{d^2 k_\perp}{k_\perp^2} \frac{dx}{x}$$

- Phase-space enhancement for the emission of
 - **collinear** ($k_\perp \rightarrow 0$)
 - and/or **soft (low-energy)** ($x \rightarrow 0$) gluons
- The parent parton can be either a **quark** or a **gluon**
- The enhancement at small x occurs only for **gluon** emissions

The Double Logarithmic Approximation

- The zeroth order gluon distribution produced by a single quark

$$xG^{(0)}(x, Q^2) = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \int_{\Lambda^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dk_{\perp}^2}{k_{\perp}^2} = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \ln \frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

- The simplest evolution equation: **DLA**
 - gluon emissions strongly ordered both in longitudinal momentum and in transverse momentum (or virtuality)

$$1 \gg x_1 \gg x_2 \gg \cdots \gg x, \quad Q^2 \gg k_{\perp 1}^2 \gg k_{\perp 2}^2 \cdots \gg \Lambda^2$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \ln(1/x)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \ln Q^2} xG(x, Q^2) = \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} xG(x, Q^2)$$

- Easy to solve (below, for fixed coupling $\bar{\alpha} = \alpha_s N_c / \pi$)

$$xG(x, Q^2) \propto \exp \left\{ \sqrt{4\bar{\alpha} \ln \frac{1}{x} \ln \frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}} \right\}$$

The DGLAP equation *(by Yuri et al)*

- Transverse momenta (or virtualities) are strongly ordered
- Longitudinal momenta are dealt with exactly (energy conservation)

$$d\mathcal{P}_{gg} = \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2) N_c}{\pi} \left[\frac{1-x}{x} + \frac{x}{1-x} + x(1-x) \right] dx \frac{dQ^2}{Q^2}$$

- Gluons only ($N_f = 0$) for simplicity:

$$Q^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial Q^2} G(x, Q^2) = \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} P_{gg}(z) G\left(\frac{x}{z}, Q^2\right)$$

- local in Q^2 , non-local in x , running coupling at LO
- the $g \rightarrow gg$ splitting function $P_{gg}(z)$ also includes ‘virtual’ terms expressing probability conservation
- In general, matrix equation for coupled evolution of quarks and gluons
- Currently known up to NNLO, **good convergence**

The BFKL equation

- Longitudinal momentum fractions are strongly ordered
- Transverse momenta are assumed to be comparable

$$1 \gg x_1 \gg x_2 \gg \cdots \gg x, \quad Q^2 \sim k_{\perp 1}^2 \sim k_{\perp 2}^2 \cdots \sim Q_0^2$$

- Usually formulated for the **unintegrated gluon distribution** $f(x, k_{\perp}^2)$

$$f(x, k_{\perp}^2) \equiv x \frac{dN_{\text{gluon}}}{dx dk_{\perp}^2} \implies xG(x, Q^2) = \int_{\Lambda^2}^{Q^2} dk_{\perp}^2 f(x, k_{\perp}^2)$$

- proportional to the occupation number: $n(x, k_{\perp}^2) \propto f(x, k_{\perp}^2)/\pi R^2$
- Local in $Y \equiv \ln(1/x)$ ('rapidity'), non-local in k_{\perp}

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial Y} f(Y, k_{\perp}^2) = \bar{\alpha} \int d^2 \mathbf{k}_{\perp} \mathcal{K}_{\text{BFKL}}(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}, \mathbf{p}_{\perp}) f(Y, p_{\perp}^2)$$

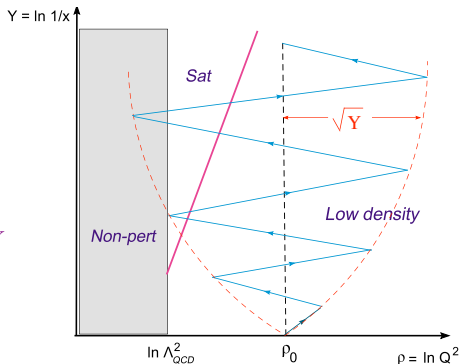
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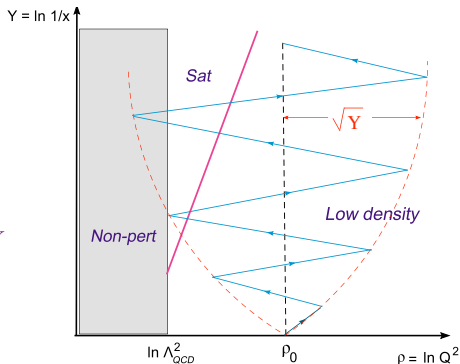
- Unitarity violation:** typical scattering amplitude $T \sim \alpha_s n$
- Infrared diffusion:** excursion through soft ($\sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$) momenta
- The growth is anyway too fast to match phenomenology: $\bar{\alpha} \omega_0 \simeq 1$

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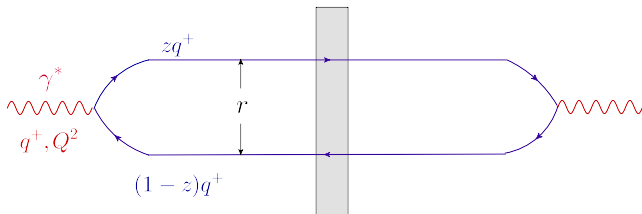
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- The first 2 problems are solved by **gluon saturation**
- The 3rd problem is solved by **resumming** higher-order corrections

$$\omega_{NLO} \simeq 4 \ln 2 (1 - 6.47 \bar{\alpha})$$

Dipole factorization for DIS at small x



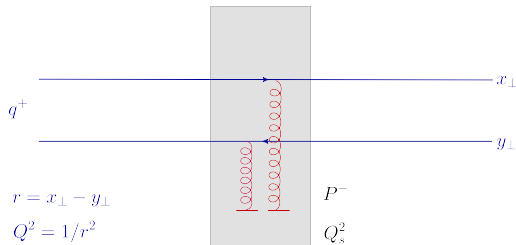
$$\sigma_{\gamma^*p}(Q^2, x) = 2\pi R_p^2 \sum_f \int d^2r \int_0^1 dz |\Psi_f(r, z; Q^2)|^2 T(r, x)$$

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot q} \simeq \frac{Q^2}{s} \ll 1 \quad (\text{Bjorken's } x)$$

- $T(r, x)$: scattering amplitude for a $q\bar{q}$ color dipole with transverse size r
 - $r^2 \sim 1/Q^2$: the resolution of the dipole in the transverse plane
 - x : longitudinal fraction of a gluon from the target that scatters

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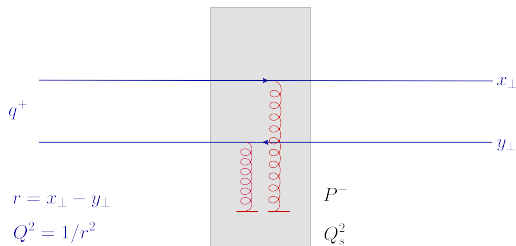
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- unitarity of the S -matrix requires $T(r, x) \leq 1$

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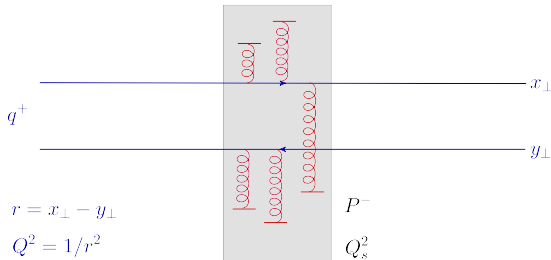
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- yet, $T_0(r, x) > 1$ for large enough r /small enough x

Multiple scattering

- When $T_0(r, x) \sim 1$, multiple scattering becomes important

$$T_0(r, x) \simeq 1 \implies \frac{1}{r^2} \simeq \bar{\alpha} \frac{xG(x, 1/r^2)}{\pi R^2} = Q_s^2(x)$$



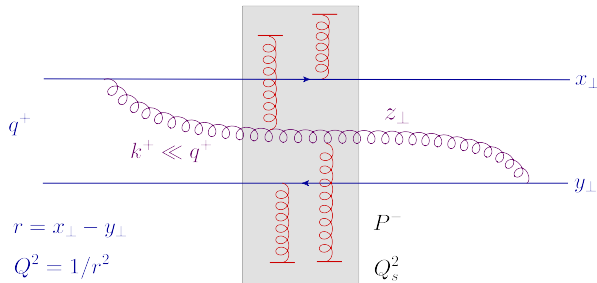
- Assuming independent collisions (McLerran-Venugopalan model)

$$T(r, x) \simeq 1 - e^{-T_0(r, x)} \leq 1 : \text{unitarization}$$

- Reasonable so long as x is not too small: $\bar{\alpha} \ln(1/x) \ll 1$

High energy evolution

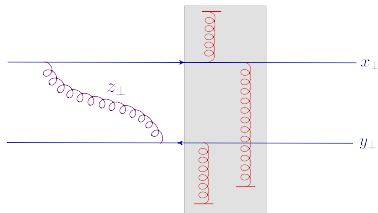
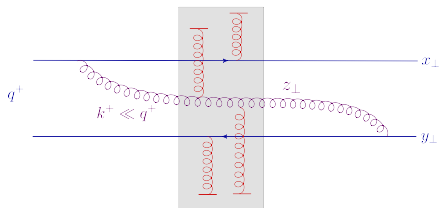
- Probability $\sim \bar{\alpha} \ln \frac{1}{x}$ to radiate a soft gluon with $x \ll 1$
- High-energy evolution is conceptually simpler for the **dilute projectile**



- The emitted gluon can multiply scatter as well
 - BFKL evolution of the dipole in the background of the dense target
 - multiple scattering \Rightarrow non-linear evolution \Rightarrow Balitsky-JIMWLK
 - non-linear generalizations of BFKL equation

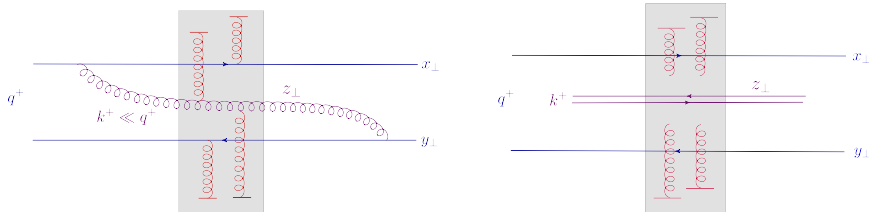
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- Large N_c** : the original dipole splits into two new dipoles
- Evolution equation for the dipole S -matrix $S_{xy}(Y) \equiv 1 - T_{xy}(Y)$

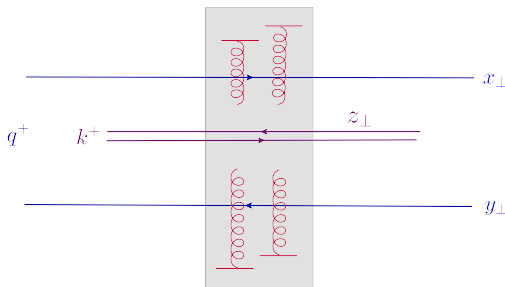
$$\frac{\partial S_{xy}}{\partial Y} = \frac{\bar{\alpha}}{2\pi} \int d^2 z \mathcal{M}_{xyz} [S_{xz} S_{zy} - S_{xy}]$$

- Dipole kernel**: BFKL kernel in the dipole picture (*Al Mueller, 1990*)

$$\mathcal{M}_{xyz} = \frac{(x - y)^2}{(x - z)^2 (y - z)^2} = \left[\frac{z^i - x^i}{(z - x)^2} - \frac{z^i - y^i}{(z - y)^2} \right]^2$$

Deconstructing the BK equation

- Non-linear equation for the dipole scattering amplitude $T_{xy} \equiv 1 - S_{xy}$

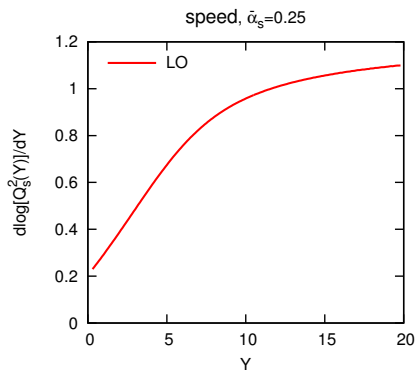
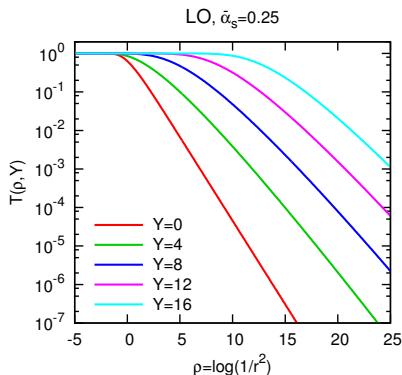


$$\frac{\partial T_{xy}}{\partial Y} = \frac{\bar{\alpha}}{2\pi} \int d^2z \frac{(x-y)^2}{(x-z)^2(y-z)^2} [T_{xz} + T_{zy} - T_{xy} - T_{xz}T_{zy}]$$

- respects unitarity bound: $T(r, Y) \leq 1$
- weak scattering (dilute target): $T(r, Y) \ll 1 \Rightarrow$ BFKL equation
- saturation momentum $Q_s(Y)$: $T(r, Y) = 0.5$ when $r = 2/Q_s(Y)$

The saturation front (numerical solutions to BK)

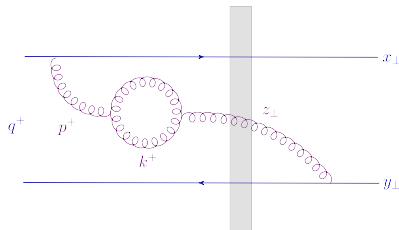
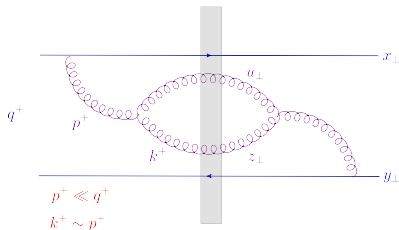
- $T(\rho, Y)$ as a function of $\rho = \ln(1/r^2 Q_0^2)$ with increasing Y



- color transparency at large ρ (small r) : $T \propto r^2 = e^{-\rho}$
- unitarization at small ρ (large r) : $T = 1$ (black disk limit)
- transition point $\rho_s \equiv \ln[Q_s^2(Y)/Q_0^2]$ rises with Y
- saturation exponent: $\lambda_s \equiv d\rho_s/dY \simeq 1$ for $Y \gtrsim 5$: still too large

Next-to-leading order

- Any effect of $\mathcal{O}(\bar{\alpha}^2 Y)$ \Rightarrow $\mathcal{O}(\bar{\alpha})$ correction to the BFKL kernel



- The prototype: two successive emissions, one **soft** and one **non-soft**
- The maximal correction thus expected: $\mathcal{O}(\bar{\alpha}\rho)$ with $\rho \equiv \ln(Q^2/Q_s^2)$
- But one finds an even larger effect: $\mathcal{O}(\bar{\alpha}\rho^2)$ ('double collinear log')
- Originally found as a NLO correction to the BFKL kernel
(Fadin, Lipatov, Camici, Ciafaloni ... 95-98; Balitsky, Chirilli, 07)

- Reasonably simple (= it fits into one slide)
- Note however: $N_f = 0$, large N_c , tiny fonts

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- blue : leading-order (LO) terms
- red : NLO terms enhanced by (double or single) transverse logarithms
- black : pure $\bar{\alpha}$ corrections (no logarithms)

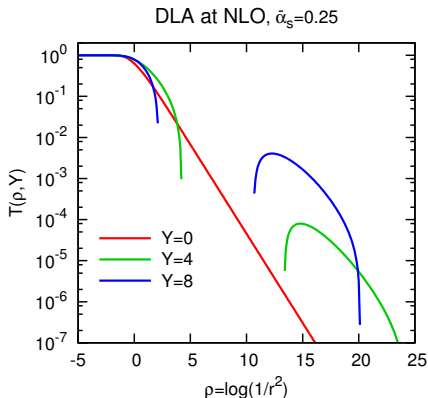
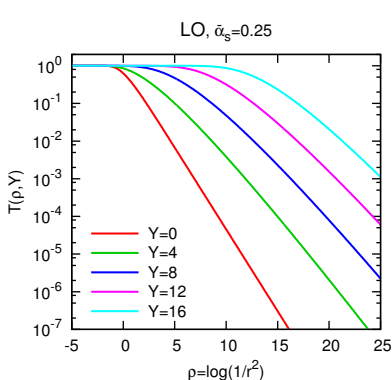
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- Keeping just the logarithmically enhanced terms ($z \gg r$, weak scattering)

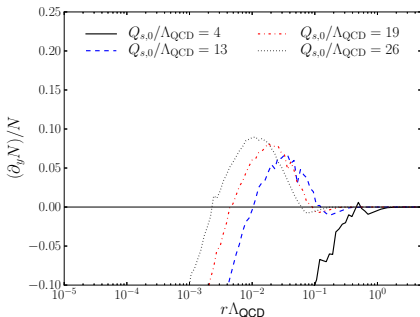
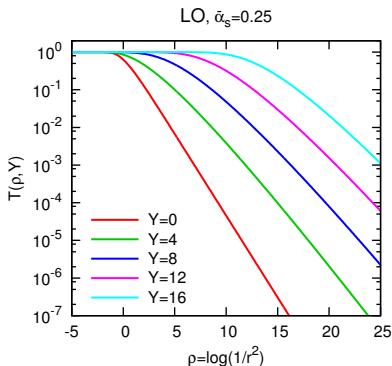
$$\frac{\partial T(r)}{\partial Y} \simeq \bar{\alpha} \int d^2z \frac{r^2}{z^4} \left\{ 1 - \bar{\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{2} \ln^2 \frac{z^2}{r^2} + \frac{11}{12} \ln \frac{z^2}{r^2} - \bar{b} \ln r^2 \mu^2 \right) \right\} T(z)$$

NLO : unstable numerical solutions



- Left: the saturation front $T(\rho, Y)$ from **leading-order BK**
- Right: LO BK + **the double collinear logarithm at NLO**
(our calculation, [arXiv:1502.05642](https://arxiv.org/abs/1502.05642))

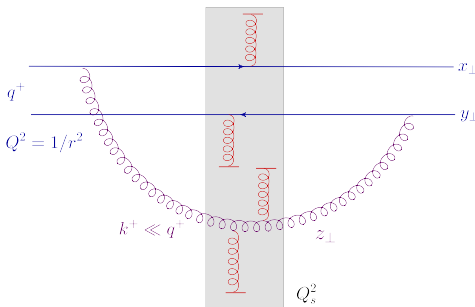
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- Left: the saturation front $T(\rho, Y)$ from **leading-order BK**
- Right: **full NLO BK** : evolution speed $(\partial_Y T)/T$
(Lappi, Mäntysaari, [arXiv:1502.02400](#))
- The main source of instability: **the double collinear logarithm**

Revisiting DLA

- Large transverse separation between projectile and target: $Q^2 \gg Q_s^2$

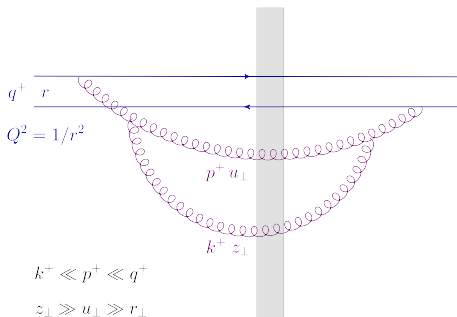


- Large transverse phase-space for gluon emission at $r \ll z \ll 1/Q_s$
 - the daughter dipoles scatter stronger (since larger): $T(r) \ll T(z) \ll 1$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial Y} \frac{T(r^2)}{r^2} \simeq \bar{\alpha} \int_{r^2}^{1/Q_s^2} \frac{dz^2}{z^2} \frac{T(z^2)}{z^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\Delta T}{T} \sim \bar{\alpha} Y \ln \frac{Q^2}{Q_s^2} = \bar{\alpha} Y \rho$$

The double collinear logarithm

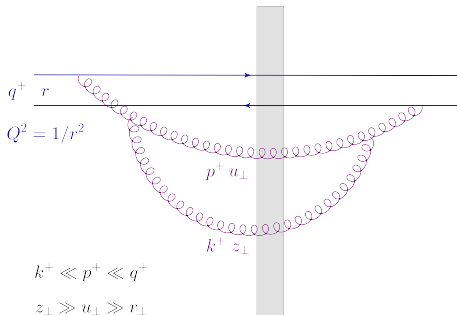
- Two successive emissions which are **strongly ordered** in both ...



- longitudinal momenta : $q^+ \gg p^+ \gg k^+$
- ... and transverse sizes (or momenta): $r_\perp^2 \ll u_\perp^2 \ll z_\perp^2 \ll 1/Q_s^2$
- “Two iterations of DLA $\implies (\bar{\alpha} Y \rho)^2$ ” ... **not exactly** !
 - additional constraint due to time ordering: $\tau_p > \tau_k$

Time ordering

- Heisenberg: fluctuations have a finite lifetime $\tau_k \sim \frac{k^+}{k_\perp^2} \sim k^+ z_\perp^2$



$$p^+ u_\perp^2 > k^+ z_\perp^2 \implies \Delta Y \equiv \ln \frac{p^+}{k^+} > \Delta \rho \equiv \ln \frac{z_\perp^2}{u_\perp^2}$$

- Additional restriction on the DLA phase-space \implies double collinear logs

$$Y > \rho \implies \bar{\alpha} Y \rho \longrightarrow \bar{\alpha} (Y - \rho) \rho = \bar{\alpha} Y \rho - \bar{\alpha} \rho^2$$

- Time ordering enters perturbation theory via energy denominators

- The double-collinear logs can be **systematically resummed to all orders** by enforcing time-ordering within the naive DLA

(E.I., Madrigal, Mueller, Soyez, and Triantafyllopoulos, arXiv:1502.05642)

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- Non-local in Y**
- Resums all the powers of $\bar{\alpha} Y \rho$ and $\bar{\alpha} \rho^2$
- The importance of enforcing '**kinematical constraints**' within LO BFKL had already been recognized ...

*Ciafaloni (88), CCFM (90), Lund group (Andersson et al, 96),
Kwiecinski et al (96), Salam (98) ... Motyka, Stasto (09), G. Beuf (14)*

- Its **diagrammatic foundation** in pQCD was not properly appreciated
- So far, no change in the kernel: double-logs come from **non-locality**

The collinearly improved BK equation

- Equivalently: a **local** equation but with an **all-order resummed kernel**
- The argument extends beyond DLA, that is, to **BFKL/BK equations**

$$\frac{\partial S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}}{\partial Y} = \bar{\alpha} \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{z}}{2\pi} \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^2}{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z})^2 (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y})^2} \mathcal{K}_{\text{DLA}}(\rho^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})) (S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{z}} S_{\mathbf{z}\mathbf{y}} - S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}})$$

... with the **all-order resummed kernel**: (*see also Sabio-Vera, 2005*)

$$\mathcal{K}_{\text{DLA}}(\rho^2) \equiv \frac{J_1(2\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}\rho^2})}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}\rho^2}} = 1 - \frac{\bar{\alpha}\rho^2}{2} + \frac{(\bar{\alpha}\rho^2)^2}{12} + \dots$$

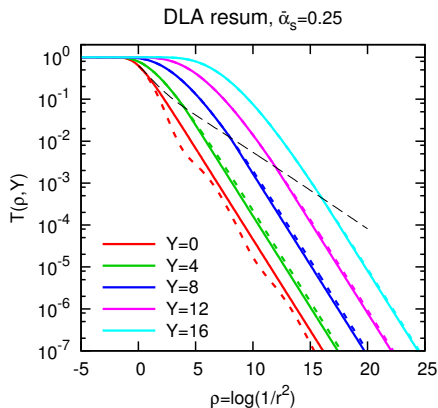
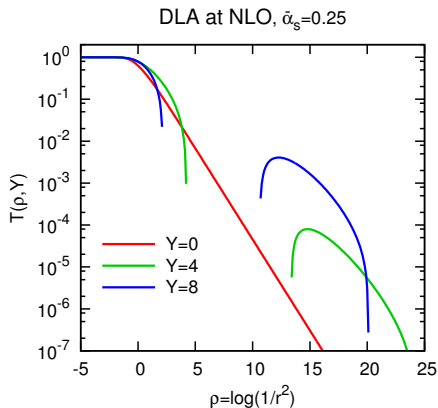
... and the symmetrized version of the collinear double-log:

$$\rho^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \equiv \ln \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z})^2}{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^2} \ln \frac{(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{z})^2}{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^2}$$

- The first correction, of $\mathcal{O}(\bar{\alpha}\rho^2)$, coincides with the **NLO double-log**

Numerical solutions: saturation front

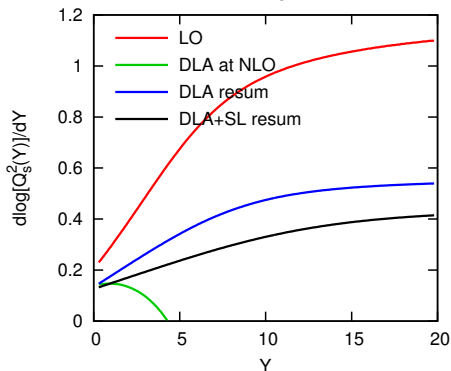
- The resummation stabilizes & slows down the evolution



- Fixed coupling $\bar{\alpha} = 0.25$, resummed kernel
 - left: \mathcal{K}_{DLA} expanded to NLO
 - right: full kernel, double collinear logs resummed to all orders

Saturation exponent $\lambda_s \equiv d \ln Q_s^2 / dY$

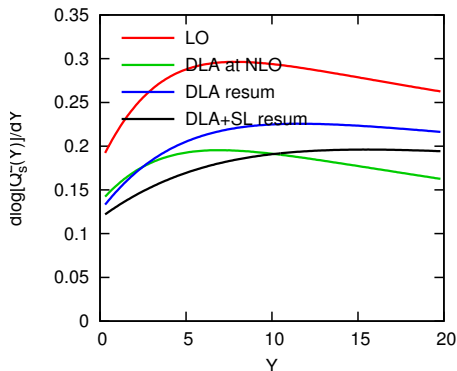
speed, $\bar{\alpha}_s=0.25$



- Fixed coupling

- LO: $\lambda_s \simeq 1$
- resummed DL: $\lambda_s \simeq 0.5$
- DL + SL: $\lambda_s \simeq 0.4$

speed, $\beta_0=0.72$, smallest

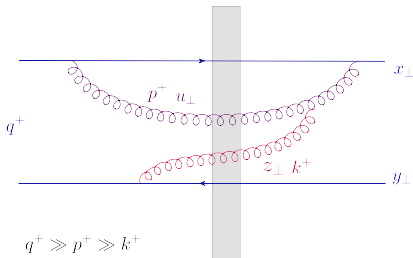


- Running coupling

- LO: $\lambda_s = 0.25 \div 0.30$
- DL + SL: $\lambda_s \simeq 0.2$
- better convergence

Time-ordered (light-cone) perturbation theory

- Mixed Fourier representation: p^+ and x^+ , with $p^- = p_\perp^2/2p^+ = 1/\tau_p$
- All possible **time orderings** for successive, **soft**, emissions
- The time (x^+) integrals yield **energy denominators**



- time-ordered graphs

$$\frac{1}{p^- + k^-} = \frac{\tau_p \tau_k}{\tau_p + \tau_k}$$

- to have double logs, one needs

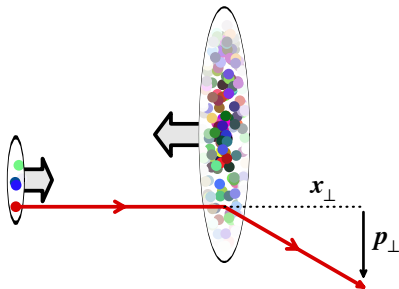
$$\tau_p \gg \tau_k$$

- Integrate out the harder gluon (p^+, u_\perp) to DLA :

$$\bar{\alpha} \int_{r^2}^{z^2} \frac{du^2}{u^2} \int_{k^+}^{q^+} \frac{dp^+}{p^+} \Theta(p^+ u^2 - k^+ z^2) = \bar{\alpha} Y \rho - \frac{\bar{\alpha} \rho^2}{2}$$

Multiple scattering in pA : Wilson lines

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- the quark color current density

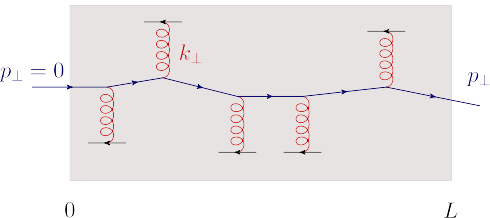
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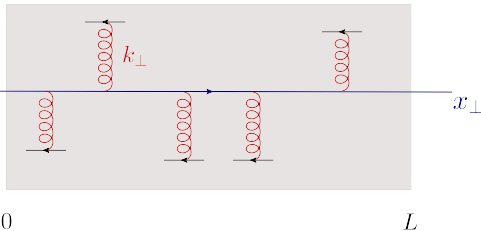
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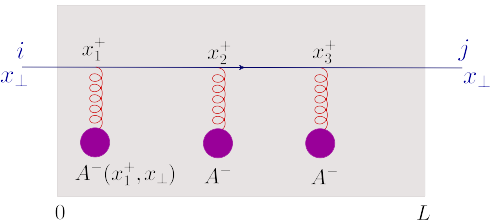
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- The quark transverse position is unchanged: eikonal approximation

$$j_a^\mu(x) \simeq \delta^{\mu+} g t^a \delta(x^-) \delta^{(2)}(x - x_0)$$

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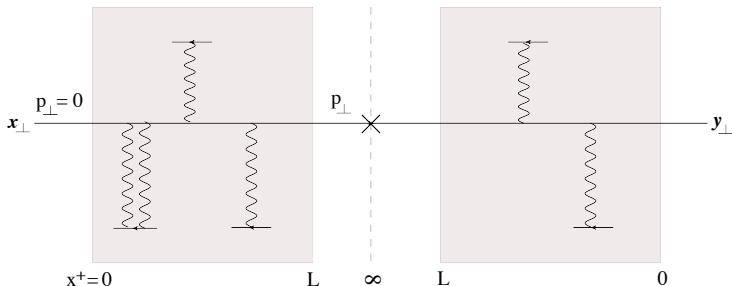
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- The S -matrix reduces to a Wilson line (color rotation)

$$\Psi_i(x_\perp) \rightarrow V_{ji}(x_\perp) \Psi_i(x_\perp), \quad V(x_\perp) = \text{T} \exp \left\{ i \int dx^+ A_a^-(x^+, x_\perp) t^a \right\}$$

Dipole factorization for pA

- The p_\perp -spectrum of the quark after crossing the medium ($\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}$)



$$\frac{dN}{d^2\mathbf{p}} = \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{r}}{(2\pi)^2} e^{-i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{r}} \langle S_{xy} \rangle, \quad S_{xy} \equiv \frac{1}{N_c} \text{tr}(V_x V_y^\dagger)$$

- ▷ sum over the final color indices, average over the initial ones
- ▷ average over the distribution of the medium field A_a^-

- S -matrix for effective color dipole:** $q\bar{q}$ pair in a color singlet state

Semi-hard intrinsic k_{\perp}

- $Q_s^2(x) \propto$ the gluon density per unit transverse area
- $Q_s(x)$: the typical transverse momentum of the gluons with a given x

$$xG(x, Q^2) = \int d^2b_{\perp} \int^Q dk_{\perp} k_{\perp} n(x, b_{\perp}, k_{\perp})$$

