

# *Saturation in High-Energy QCD*

## *Scaling laws and phenomenological applications*

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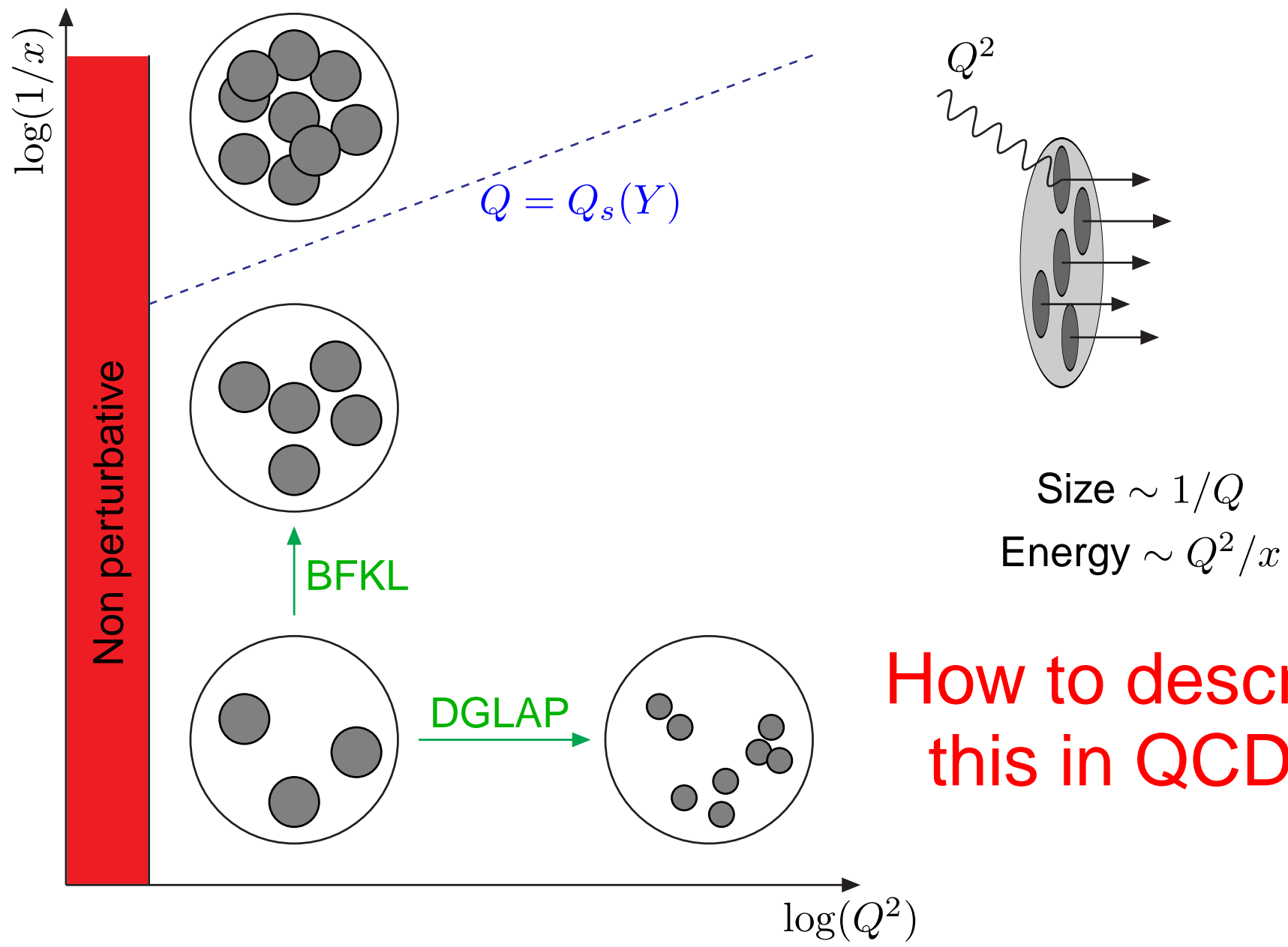
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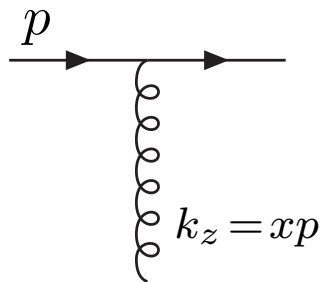
- Perturbative evolution in high-energy QCD:
  - Leading log approx.: BFKL equation
  - Unitarity/Saturation effects: Balitsky/JIMWLK and BK equation
  - Fluctuation effects: towards a new evolution
- Asymptotic solutions:
  - saturation  $\Rightarrow$  geometric scaling
  - fluctuation  $\Rightarrow$  Stochastic evolution  $\Rightarrow$  Diffusive scaling
- Phenomenological consequences
  - Geometric scaling for  $F_2$  and in vector meson production
  - Diffusive scaling in DIS, diffractive DIS and forward gluon production

# Motivation: why saturation ?

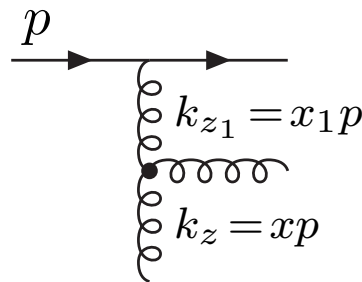


How to describe this in QCD ?

Bremsstrahlung:



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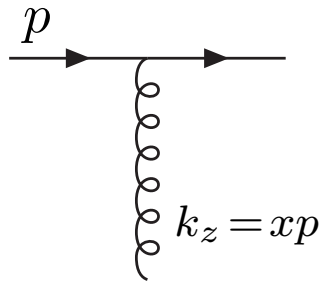
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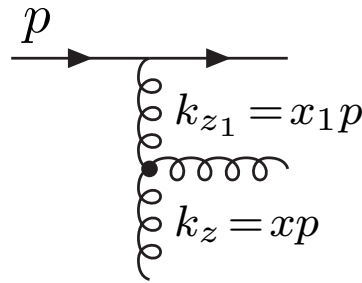
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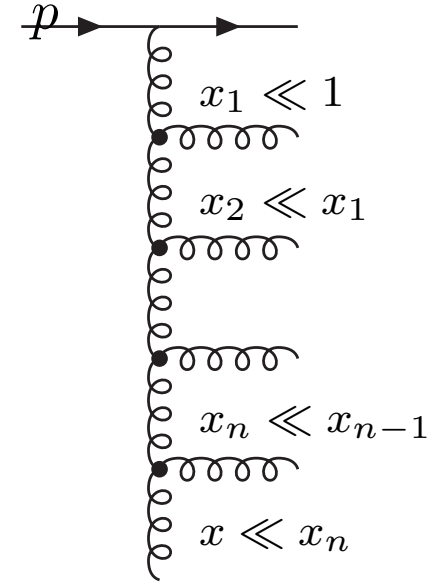
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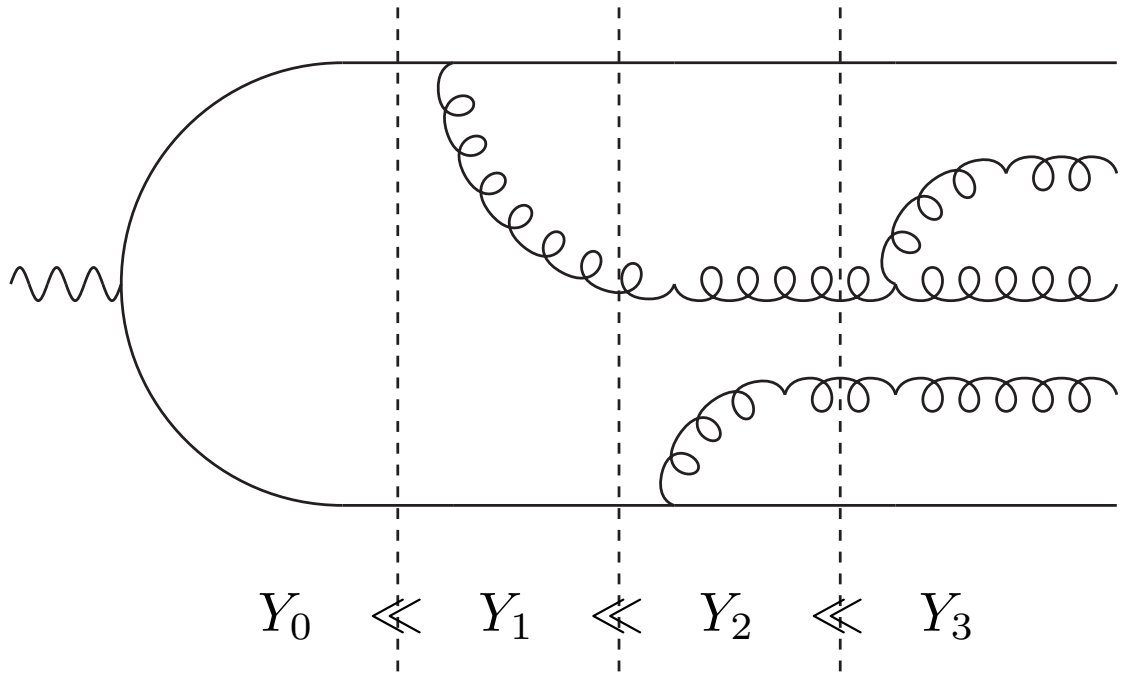
$$\int_x^1 \frac{dx_n}{x_n} \cdots \int_{x_2}^1 \frac{dx_1}{x_1} \sim \frac{1}{n!} \alpha_s^n \log^n(1/x)$$

Same order when  $\alpha_s \log(1/x) \sim 1$

# ***Perturbative evolution in high-energy QCD***

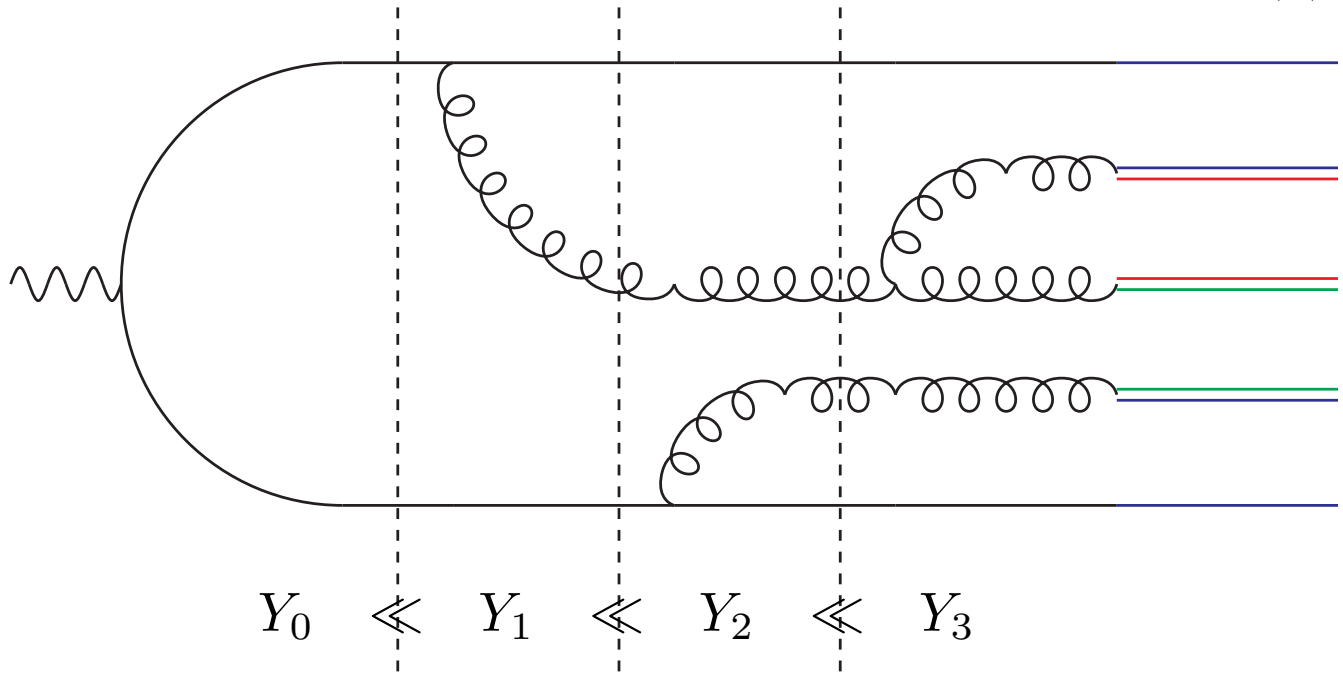
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[Mueller,93]



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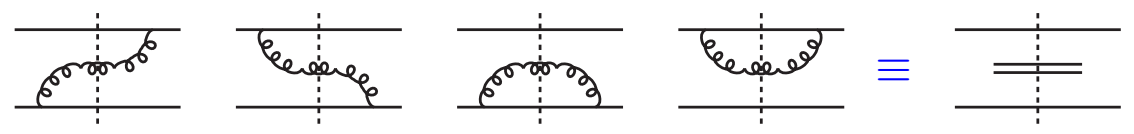
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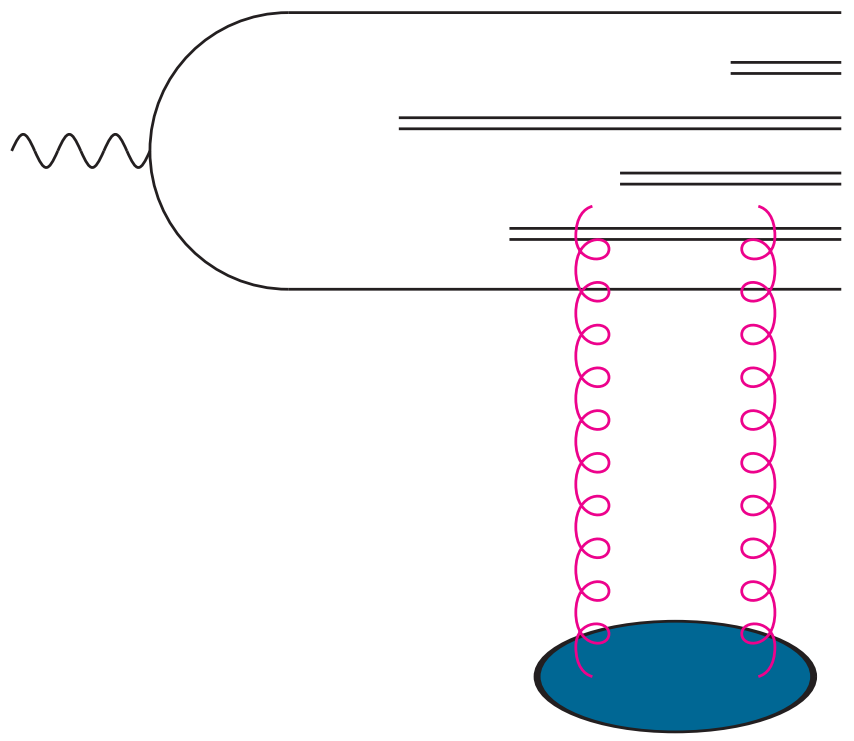
$n(r, Y)$  dipoles  
of size  $r$

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- Large- $N_c$  approximation





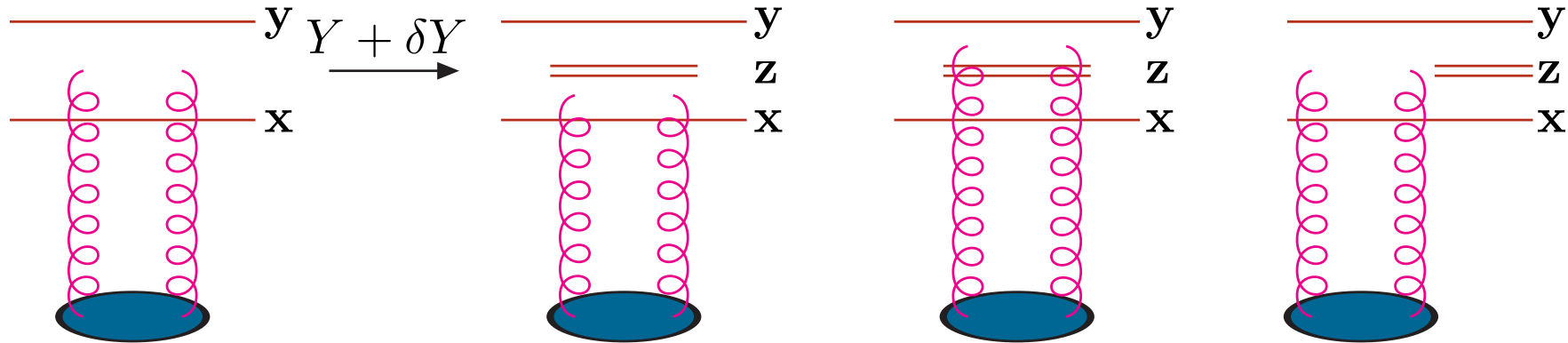
How to observe this system ?



$$T(r, Y) \approx \alpha_s^2 n(r, Y)$$

Count the number of dipoles of a given size

Consider a small increase in rapidity  $\Rightarrow$  **splitting**



$$\partial_Y T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}; Y)$$

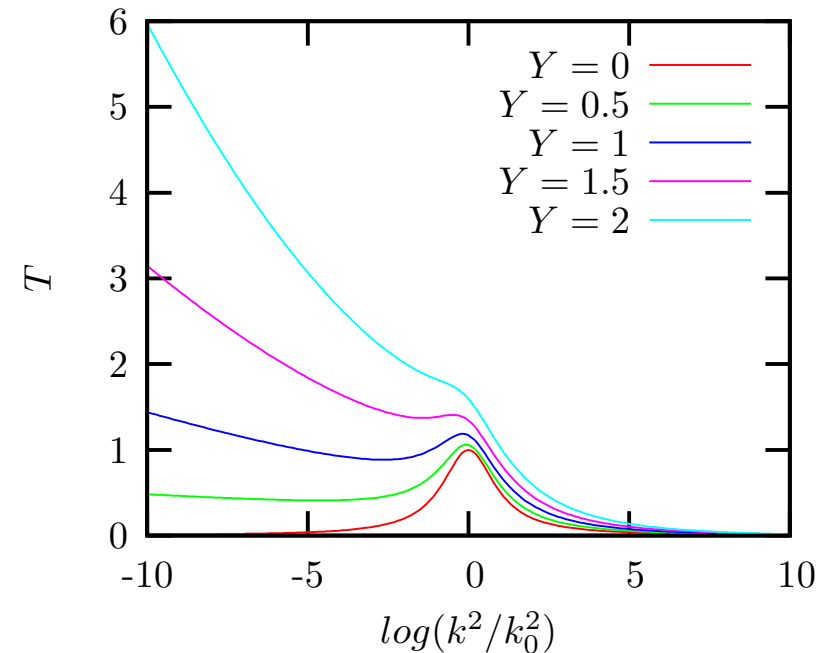
$$= \bar{\alpha} \int d^2 z \underbrace{\frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^2}{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z})^2 (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y})^2}}_{\text{Emission proba from pQCD}} \underbrace{[T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}; Y) + T(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}; Y) - T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}; Y)]}_{\text{all possible interactions}}$$

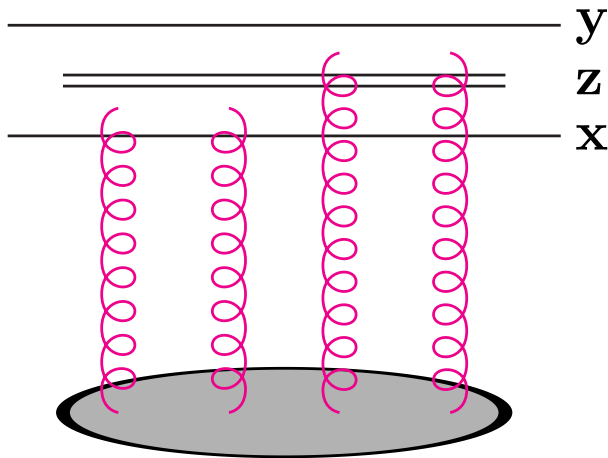
[Balitsky, Fadin, Kuraev, Lipatov, 78]

The solution goes like

$$T(Y) \sim e^{\omega Y} \quad \text{with} \quad \omega = 4\bar{\alpha} \log(2) \approx 0.5$$

- Fast growth of the amplitude
- Intercept value too large
- Violation of the Froissart unitarity:  
 $T(Y) \leq C \log^2(s) \quad T(r, b) \leq 1$
- problem of diffusion in the infrared





## Multiple scattering

- ★ Proportional to  $T^2$
- ★ important when  $T \approx 1$

$\langle \cdot \rangle \equiv$  average over target field

$$\begin{aligned} & \partial_Y \langle T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}; Y) \rangle \\ &= \bar{\alpha} \int d^2 z \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^2}{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z})^2 (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y})^2} [\langle T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}; Y) \rangle + \langle T(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}; Y) \rangle - \langle T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}; Y) \rangle \\ & \quad - \langle T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}; Y) T(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}; Y) \rangle] \end{aligned}$$

But

$\partial_Y \langle T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}; Y) \rangle$  contains a new object:  $\langle T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}; Y) T(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}; Y) \rangle$

In general: complete hierarchy

[Balitsky, 96]

$$\partial_Y \langle T^k \rangle \longrightarrow \underbrace{\langle T^k \rangle}_{\text{BFKL}}, \underbrace{\langle T^{k+1} \rangle}_{\text{saturation}}$$

- Beyond large- $N_c$ : the hierarchy involves quadrupoles, sextupoles, ...
- Balitsky hierarchy  $\equiv$  JIMWLK eq. (Colour Glass Condensate formalism)

Mean field approx.:  $\langle T_{\mathbf{xz}} T_{\mathbf{zy}} \rangle = \langle T_{\mathbf{xz}} \rangle \langle T_{\mathbf{zy}} \rangle$

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

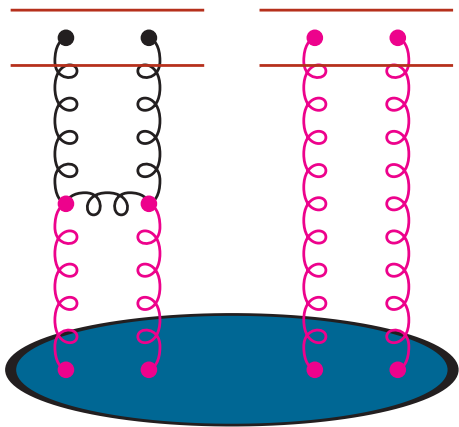
[Balitsky 96, Kovchegov 99]

Simplest perturbative evolution equation satisfying unitarity constraint

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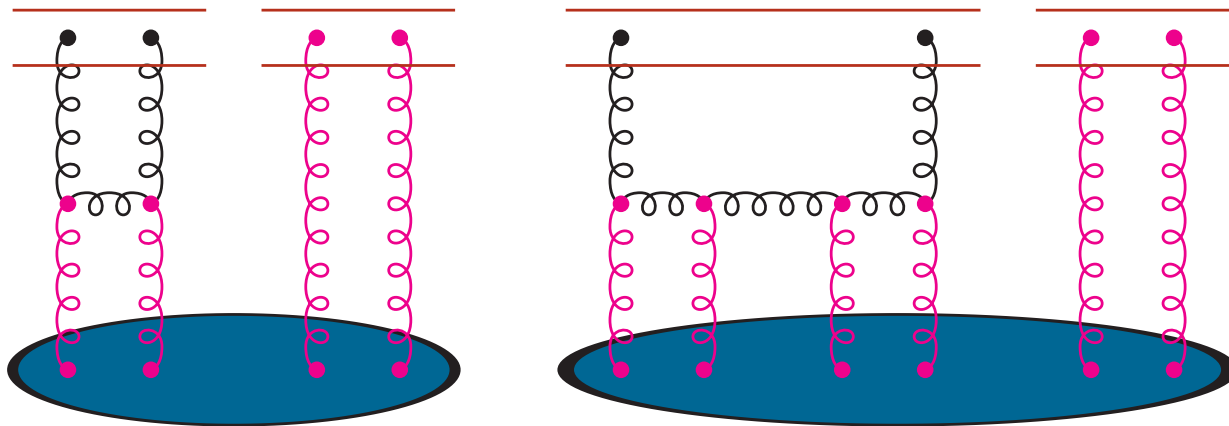
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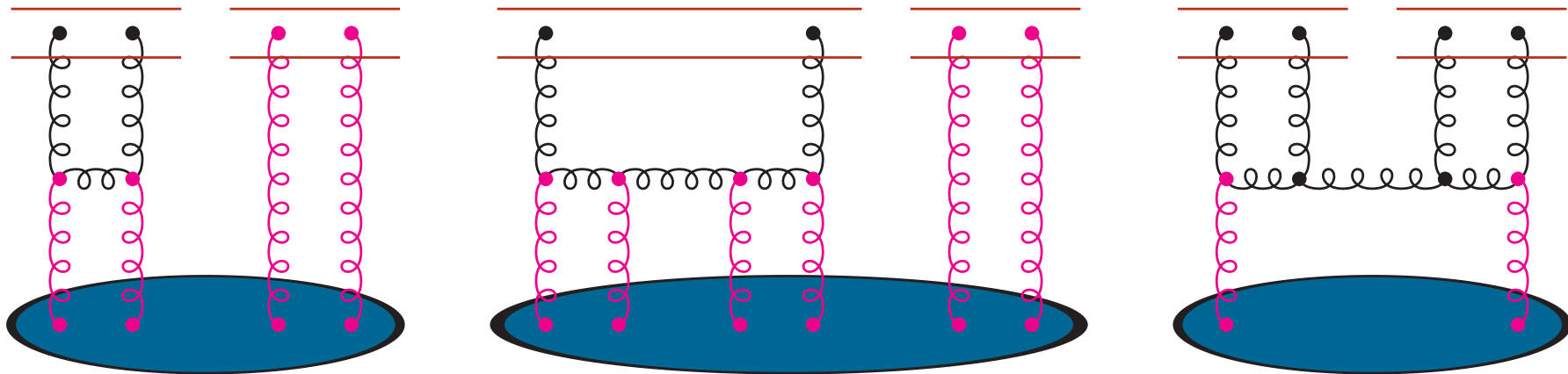
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- fan diagram  $\longrightarrow$  saturation effects
- splitting  $\longrightarrow$  gluon-number fluctuations  
 $\longrightarrow$  pomeron loops

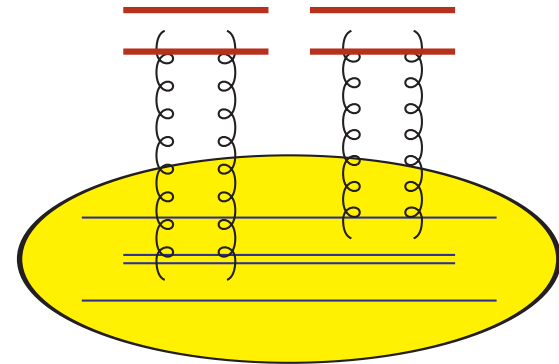
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⇒ complicated hierarchy



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \partial_Y \langle T^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1; \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}_2) \rangle \\
 &= \frac{\bar{\alpha}}{2\pi} \int d^2 z \frac{(\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{y}_2)^2}{(\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{z})^2 (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}_2)^2} \left[ \langle T^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1; \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{z}) \rangle + \langle T^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1; \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}_2) \rangle \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \langle T^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1; \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}_2) \rangle - \langle T^{(3)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1; \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{z}; \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}_2) \rangle + (1 \leftrightarrow 2) \right] \\
 &+ \frac{\bar{\alpha}}{2\pi} \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 \int_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}\mathbf{z}} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}\mathbf{z}} \mathcal{A}_0(\mathbf{x}_1 \mathbf{y}_1 | \mathbf{u}\mathbf{z}) \mathcal{A}_0(\mathbf{x}_2 \mathbf{y}_2 | \mathbf{z}\mathbf{v}) \nabla_{\mathbf{u}}^2 \nabla_{\mathbf{v}}^2 \langle T^{(1)}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

- **Saturation:** important when  $T^{(2)} \sim T^{(1)} \sim 1$  i.e. **near unitarity**
- **Fluctuations:** important when  $T^{(2)} \sim \alpha_s^2 T^{(1)}$  or  $T \sim \alpha_s^2$  i.e. **dilute regime**
- **Langevin formulation:** fluctuation = noise

# *Solutions*

## *The BK equation*

## Case 1: no impact parameter dependence

$$T_{\mathbf{xy}} \rightarrow T \left( \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{b} = \frac{\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}}{2} \right) \rightarrow T(r)$$

Note:

- all arguments work for  $T(r)$  or its Fourier transform  $\tilde{T}(k)$
- for  $\tilde{T}$ , the non-linear term is simply  $-\tilde{T}^2(k)$

$$\text{BK equation: } \partial_Y T = \underbrace{\chi(-\partial_L) T}_{\text{BFKL}} - T^2$$

When  $T \ll 1$  BFKL works:  $\partial_Y T = \chi(-\partial_L) T$

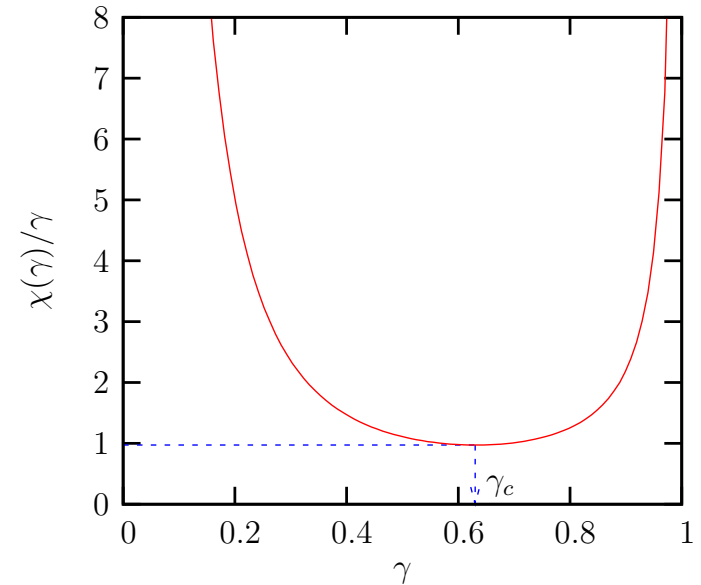
Solution known:

$$\begin{aligned} T(k) &= \int \frac{d\gamma}{2i\pi} T_0(\gamma) \exp[\chi(\gamma)\bar{\alpha}Y - \gamma L] \\ &= \int \frac{d\gamma}{2i\pi} T_0(\gamma) \exp\left[-\gamma\left(L - \frac{\chi(\gamma)}{\gamma}\bar{\alpha}Y\right)\right] \end{aligned}$$

⇒ Wave of slope  $\gamma$  travels at speed  $v = \chi(\gamma)/\gamma$

$$Y = Y_0$$

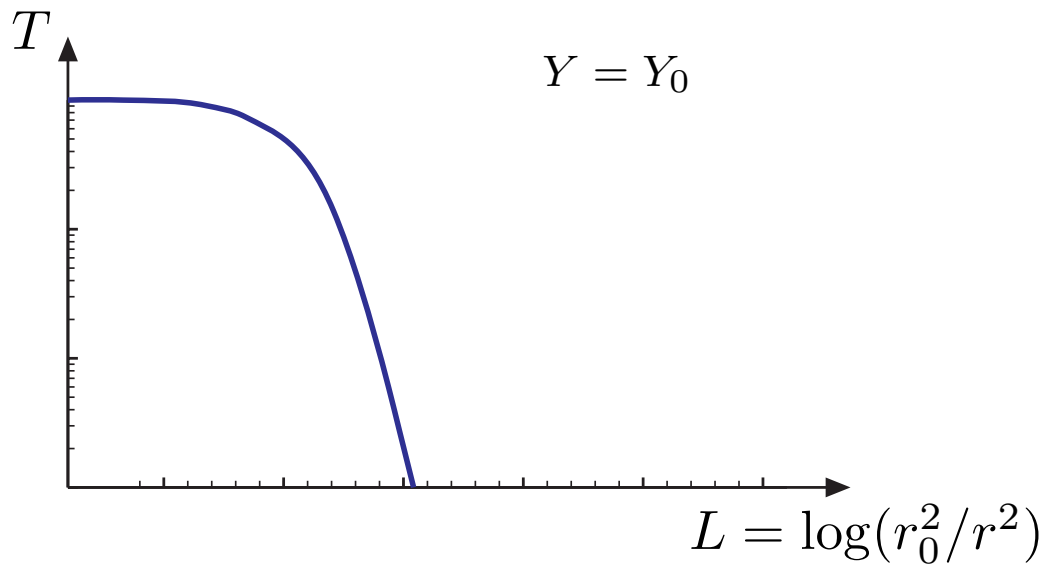
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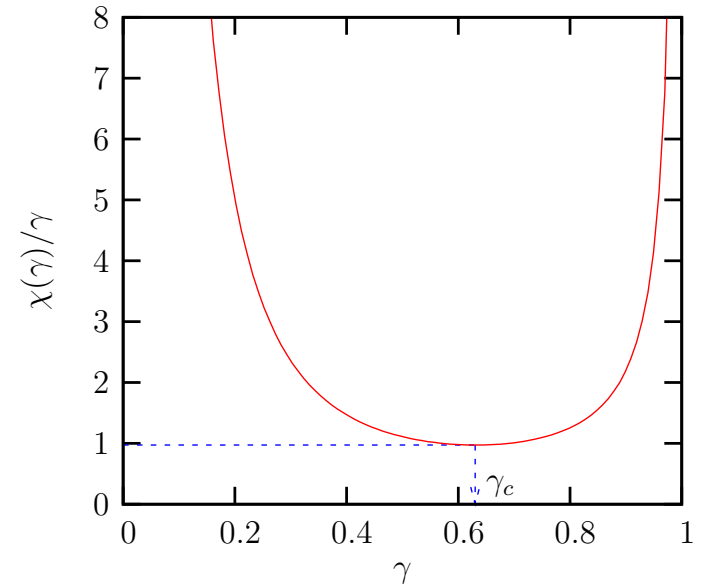
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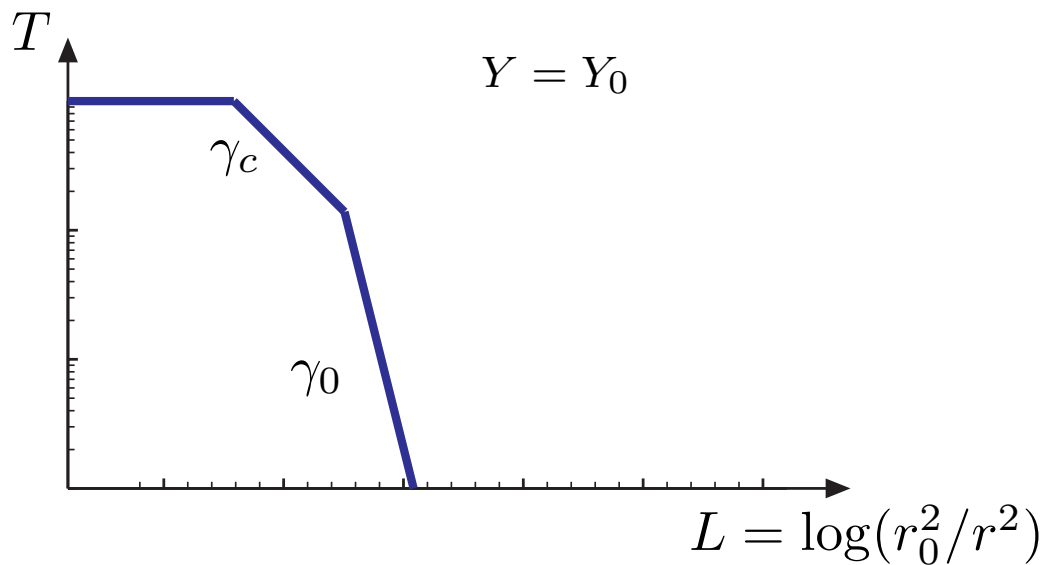
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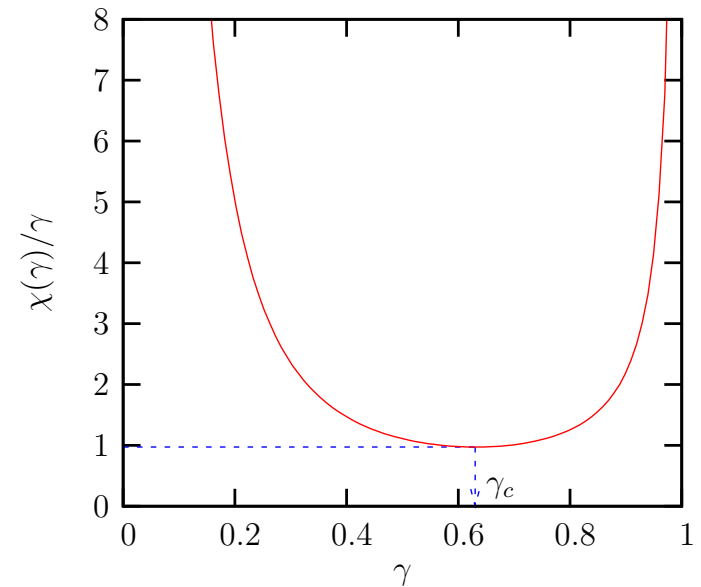
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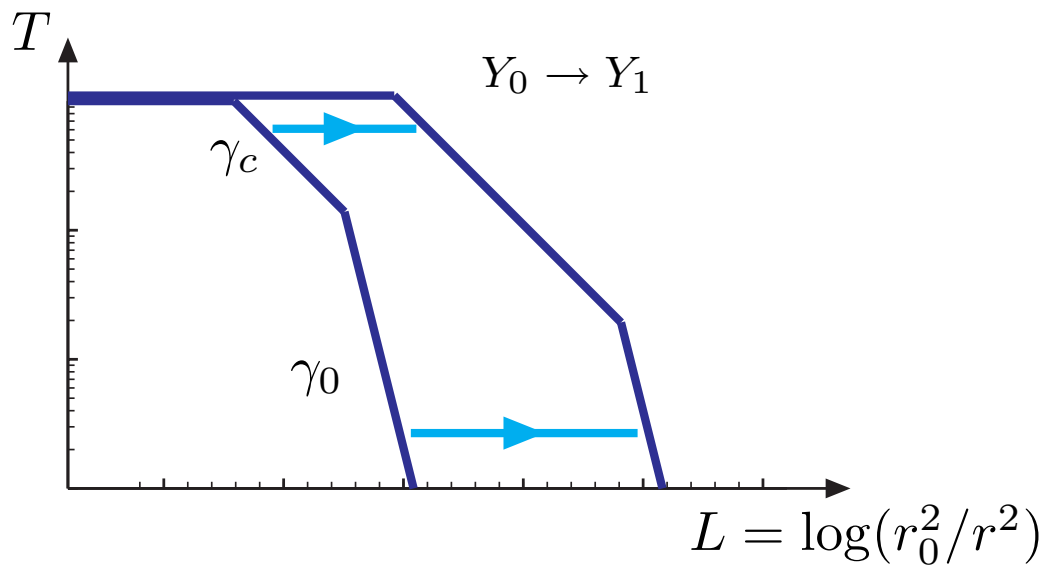
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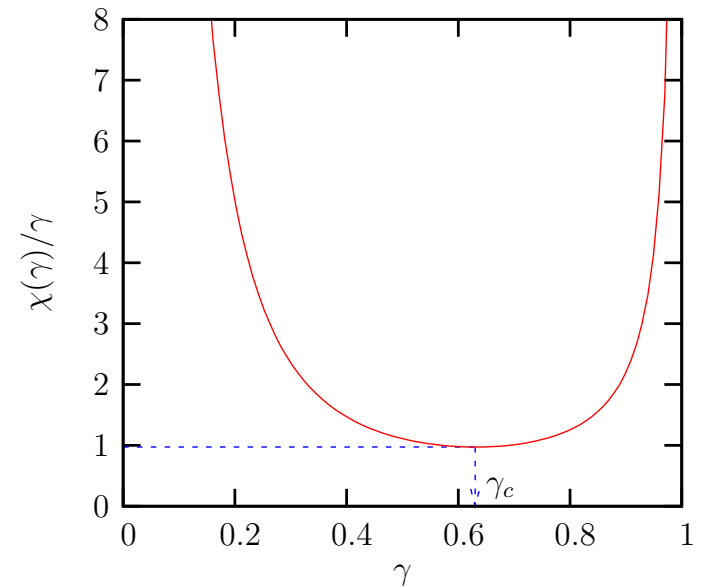
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The minimal speed is selected during evolution

Consequence: **geometric scaling** ( $Q_s \equiv$  saturation scale  $\equiv$  front position)

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- Generic arguments: exponential rise + saturation  $\Rightarrow$  select  $\gamma_c$
- Parameters fixed by linear kernel only
- Saturation effects even though  $T \ll 1$

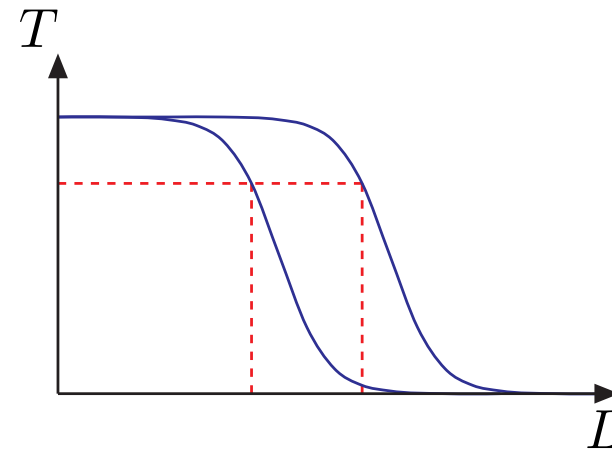
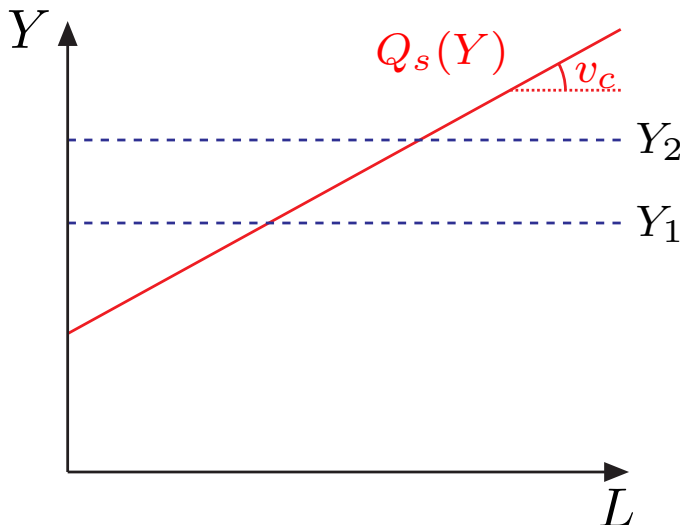
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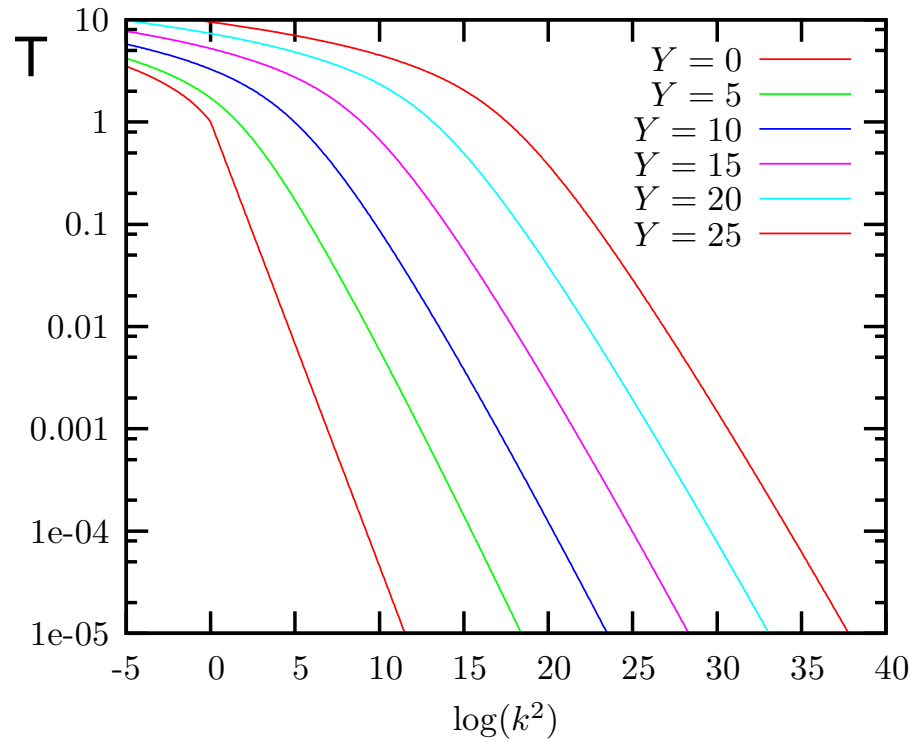
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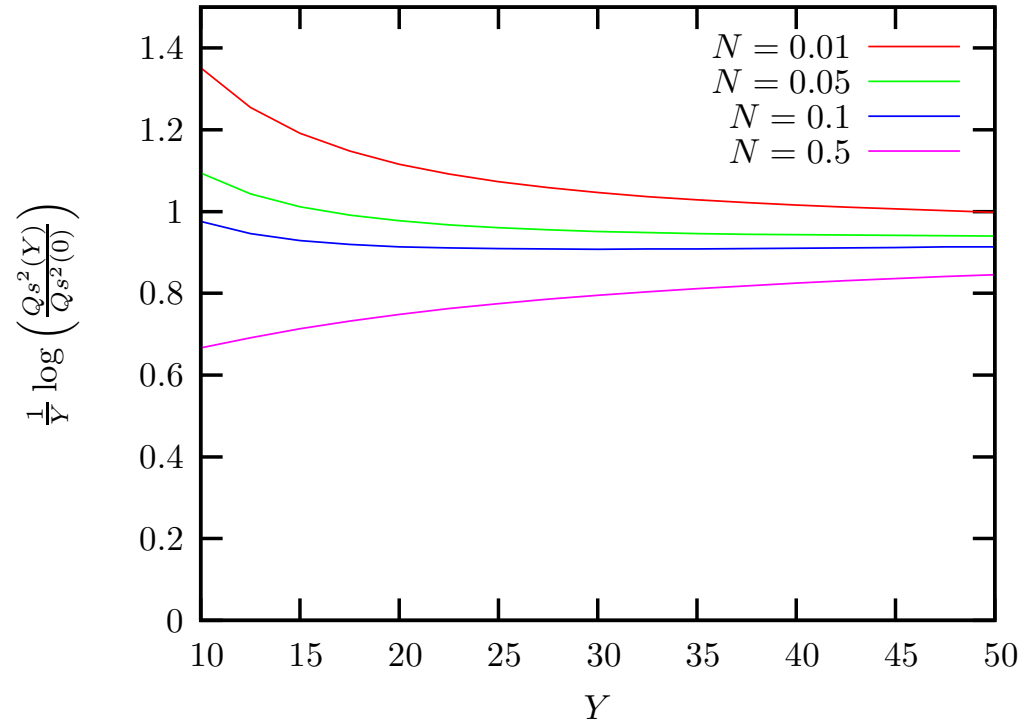
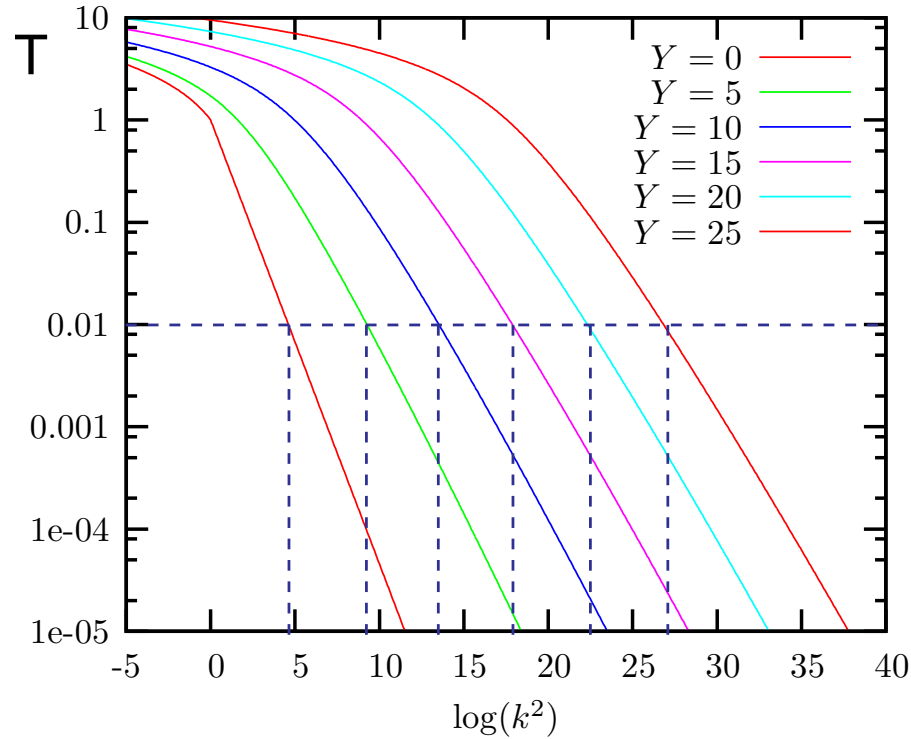
Interpretation: **invariance along the saturation line**



Numerical simulations:



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$$T(k, Y) = T\left(\frac{k^2}{Q_s^2(Y)}\right) \approx \left(\frac{k^2}{Q_s^2(Y)}\right)^{-\gamma_c}$$

$$Q_s^2(Y) \propto \exp(v_c Y)$$

## Case 2: including impact parameter

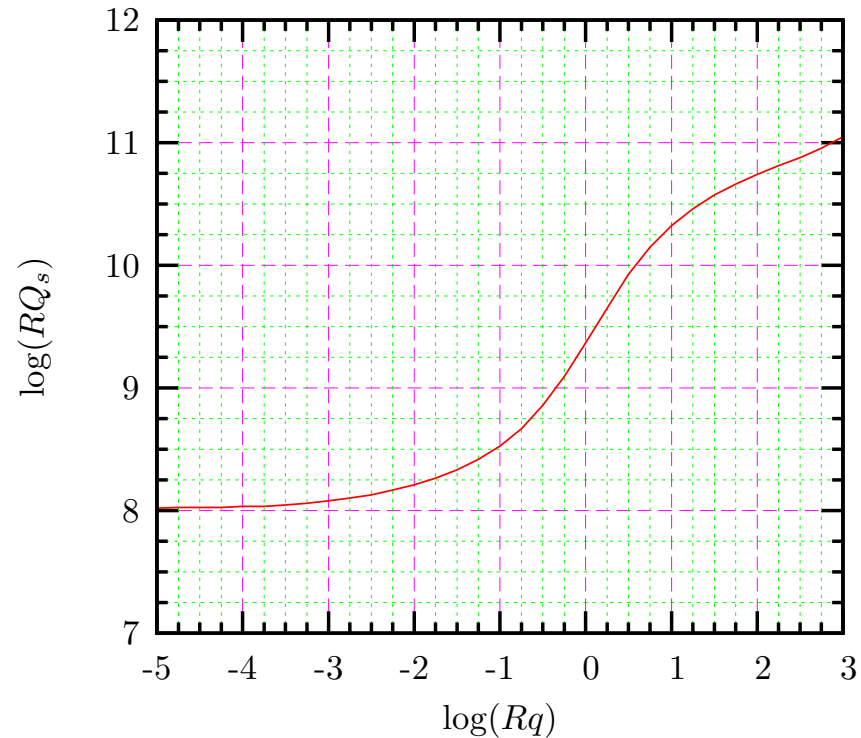
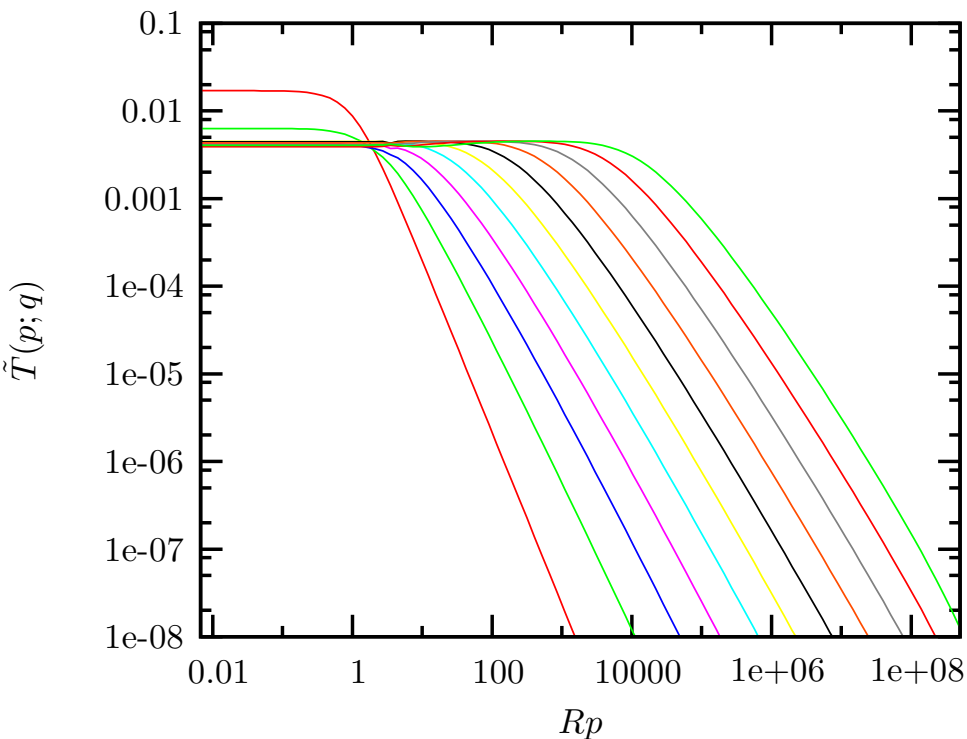
Go to momentum space: use momentum transfer  $\mathbf{q}$

$$\tilde{T}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) = \int d^2x d^2y e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} e^{i(\mathbf{q}-\mathbf{k})\cdot\mathbf{y}} \frac{T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^2}$$

*new form of the BK equation*

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_Y \tilde{T}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) &= \frac{\bar{\alpha}}{\pi} \int \frac{d^2k'}{(k - k')^2} \left\{ \tilde{T}(\mathbf{k}', \mathbf{q}) - \frac{1}{4} \left[ \frac{k^2}{k'^2} + \frac{(q - k)^2}{(q - k')^2} \right] \tilde{T}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) \right\} \\ &- \frac{\bar{\alpha}}{2\pi} \int d^2k' \tilde{T}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') \tilde{T}(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{k}') \end{aligned}$$

[C.Marquet, R.Peschanski, G.S., 05]



One can prove **analytically** that:

- traveling wave at large  $k$ : BFKL  $\Rightarrow$  **same**  $\gamma_c, v_c$
- $q$  dependence:  $Q_s^2(q, Y) = \min(k_0^2, q^2) \exp(v_c Y)$

**Predicts geometric scaling for  $t$ -dependent processes**

# ***Solutions***

## ***Fluctuation effects***

no  $b$ -dependence + coarse-graining (local fluctuations)  $\longrightarrow$  Langevin equation

$$\partial_Y T(k, Y) = \bar{\alpha} K_{\text{BFKL}} \otimes T(k, Y) - \bar{\alpha} T^2(k, Y) + \bar{\alpha} \sqrt{\kappa \alpha_s^2 T(k, Y)} \nu(k, Y)$$

with a Gaussian white noise  $\langle \nu(k, Y) \rangle = 0$

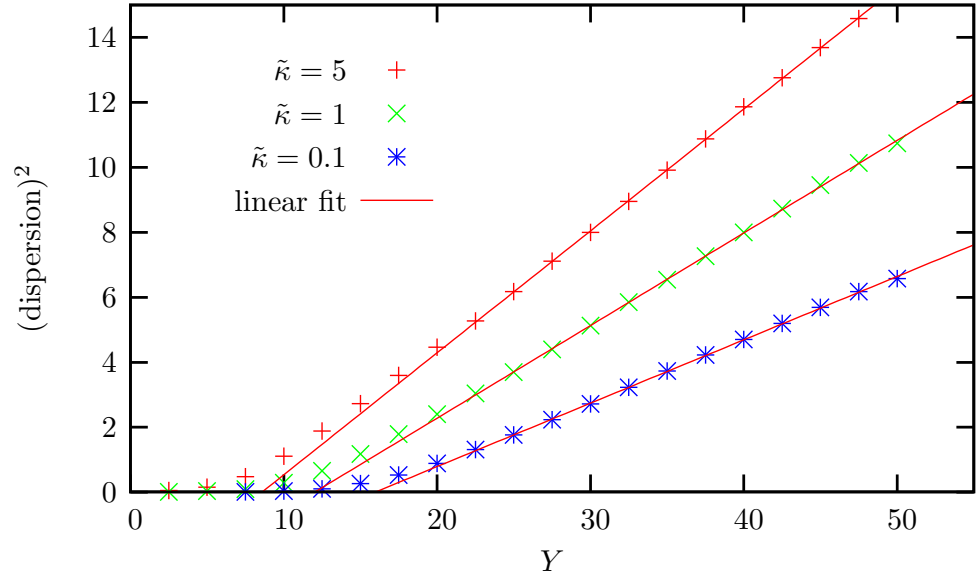
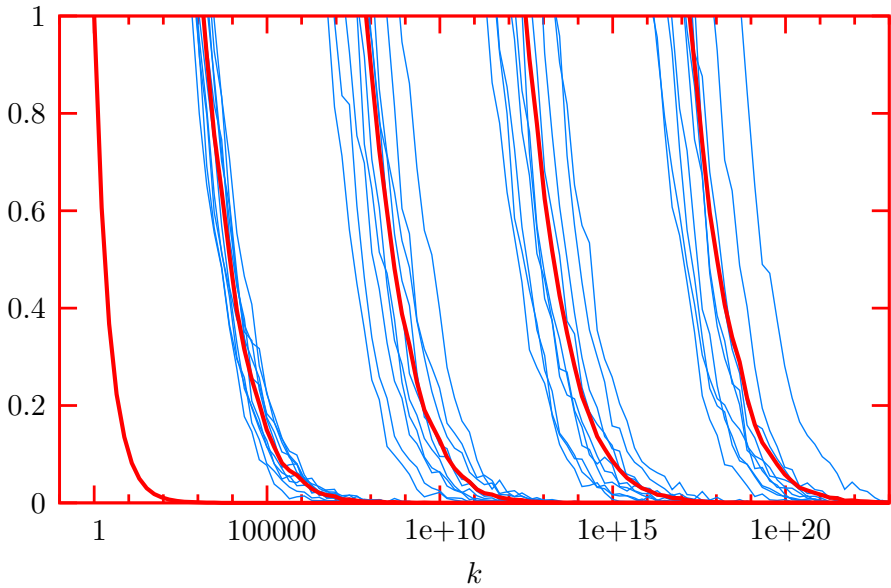
$$\langle \nu(k, Y) \nu(k', Y') \rangle = \frac{1}{\bar{\alpha}} \delta(Y - Y') k \delta(k - k')$$

Remarks:

- noise  $\equiv$  fluct. target field  $\Rightarrow$  Different events  $\equiv$  different target fields
- stochasticity as seen in detectors
- observables obtained by averaging over events



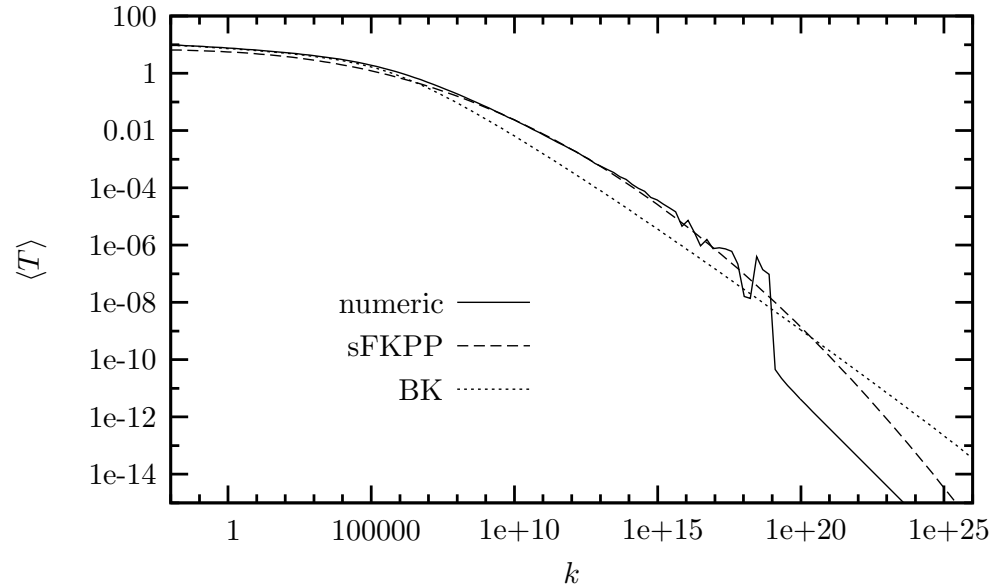
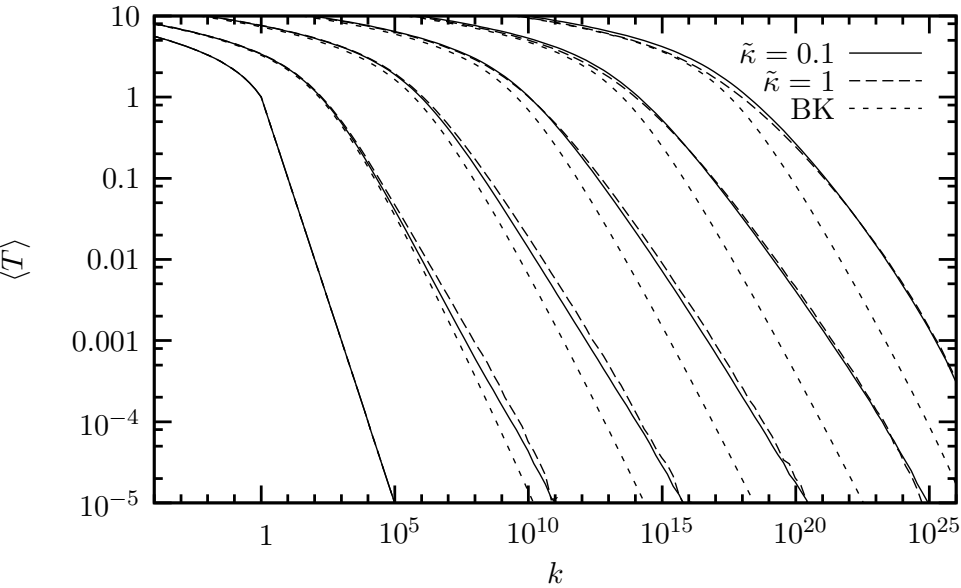
[G.S., 05]



- Traveling wave/Geometric scaling for each event
- Dispersion of the events

$$\Delta \log[Q_s^2(Y)] \approx \sqrt{D_{\text{diff}} \bar{\alpha} Y} \quad \text{with} \quad D_{\text{diff}} \underset{\alpha_s^2 \kappa \rightarrow 0}{\sim} \frac{1}{|\log^3(\alpha_s^2 \kappa)|}$$

[G.S., 05]



- Clear effect of fluctuations: dispersion  $\Rightarrow$  spreading
- Violations of geometric scaling
- Agrees with predictions from statistical mechanics (sFKPP)

Evolution with saturation & fluctuations  $\equiv$

- superposition of unitary front (with geometric scaling)
- + dispersion of their position i.e. stochastic  $Q_s$  (geom. scaling violations)

$$\langle T(r, Y) \rangle = \int d\rho_s T_{\text{event}}(\rho - \rho_s) P(\rho_s)$$

with  $\rho = \log(1/r^2)$ ,  $\rho_s = \log(Q_s^2)$

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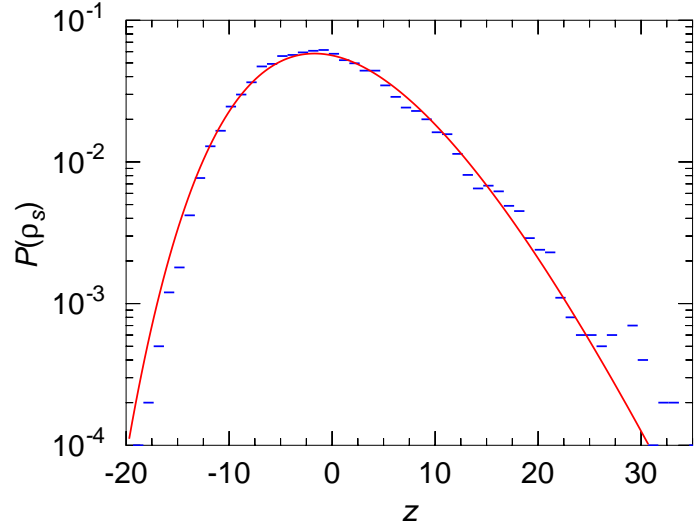
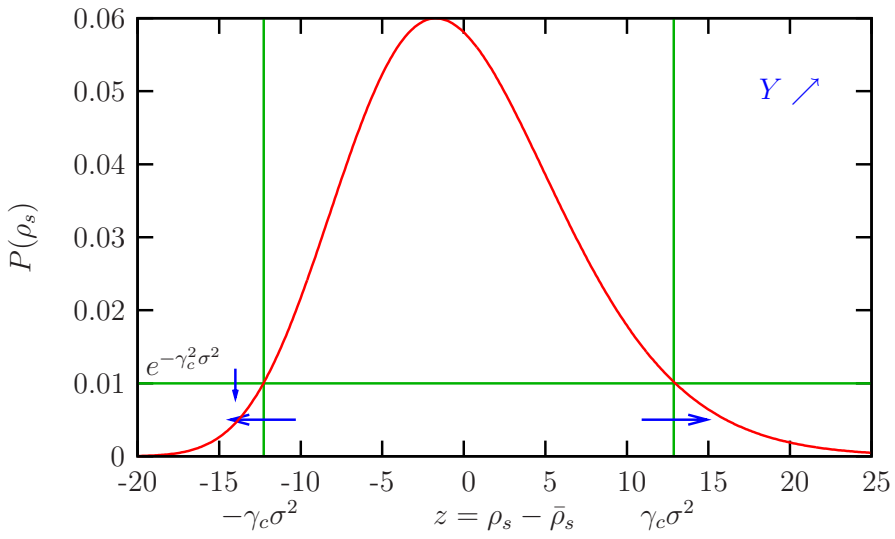
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[C.Marquet, G.S., B.Xiao, 06]

$P(\rho_s)$  can be taken as Gaussian: mean  $\bar{\rho}_s \sim \lambda Y$ , dispersion  $\sigma^2 \sim DY$



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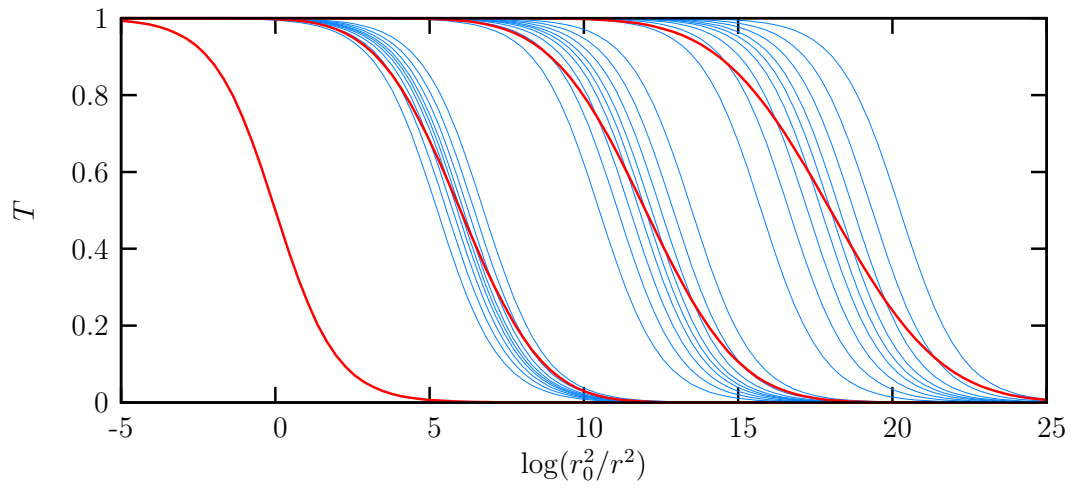
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[E. Iancu, Y. Hatta, C. Marquet, G.S., D. Triantafyllopoulos, 06]

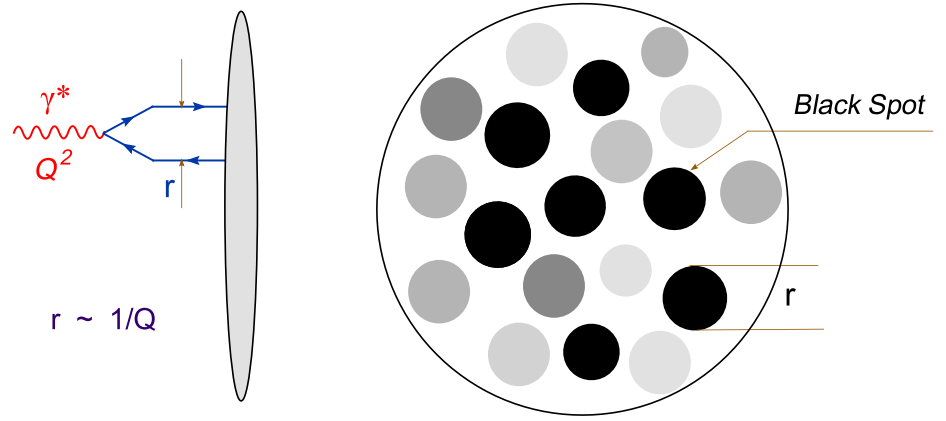


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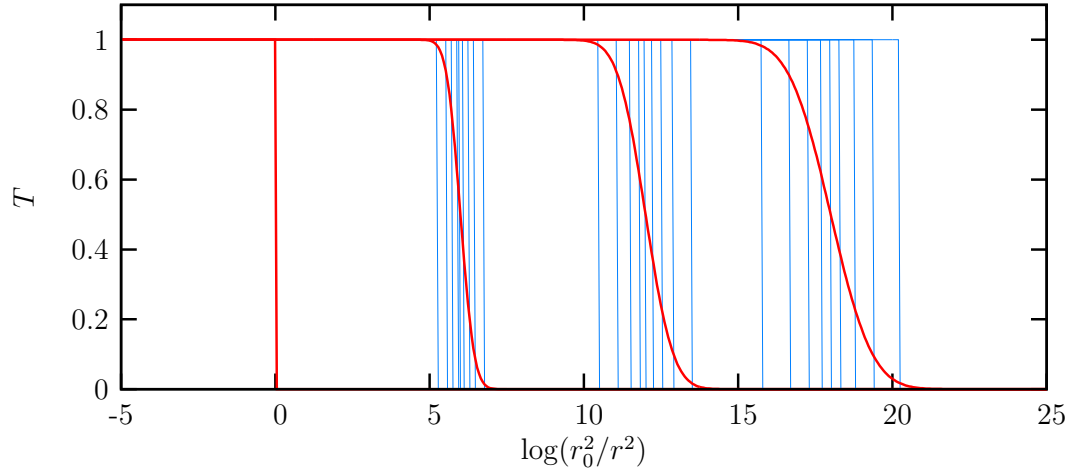
Case 1:  $Y$  not too large  $\Rightarrow$  small dispersion  $\Rightarrow$  Mean field picture  $\langle T \rangle \approx T_{\text{event}}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  geometric scaling:

$$\langle T \rangle = f [\log(k^2/Q_s^2)]$$

$$\langle T^{(k)} \rangle = \langle T \rangle^k$$



[E. Iancu, Y. Hatta, C. Marquet, G.S., D. Triantafyllopoulos, 06]

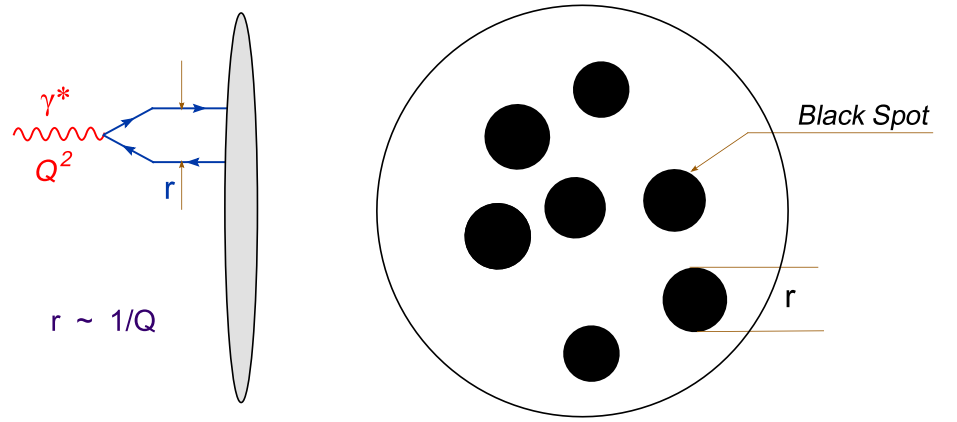


dispersion  $\sim DY$

**Case 2:  $Y$  higher energy**  $\Rightarrow$  dominated by dispersion  $\Rightarrow T = 0$  or  $T = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow$  **diffusive scaling:**

$$\langle T \rangle = f \left[ \log(k^2 / Q_s^2) / \sqrt{DY} \right]$$

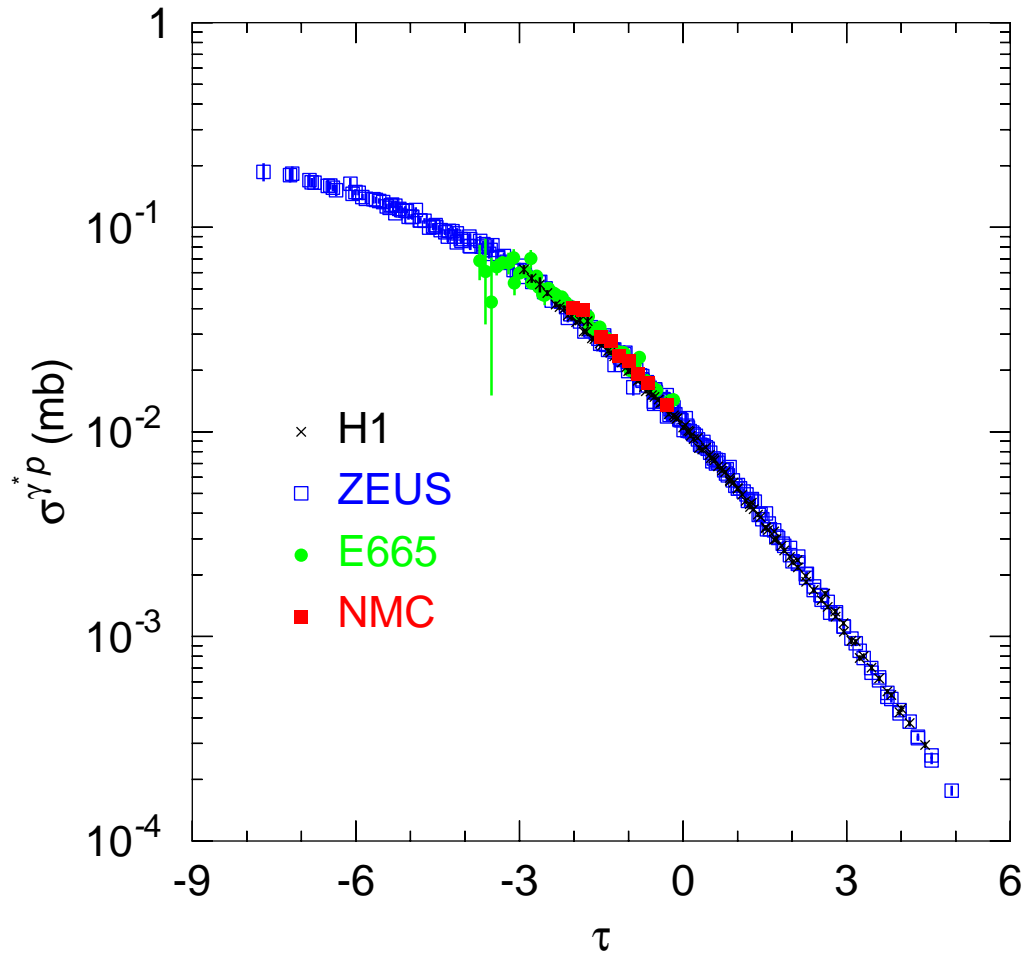
$$\langle T^{(k)} \rangle = \langle T \rangle$$



# *Phenomenology*

## *Geometric scaling in $F_2$*





[A.Stasto, K.Golec-Biernat, 01]

$$\sigma^{\gamma^* p}(Q^2, x) = \sigma(\tau)$$

$$\tau = \log(Q^2) - \lambda Y$$

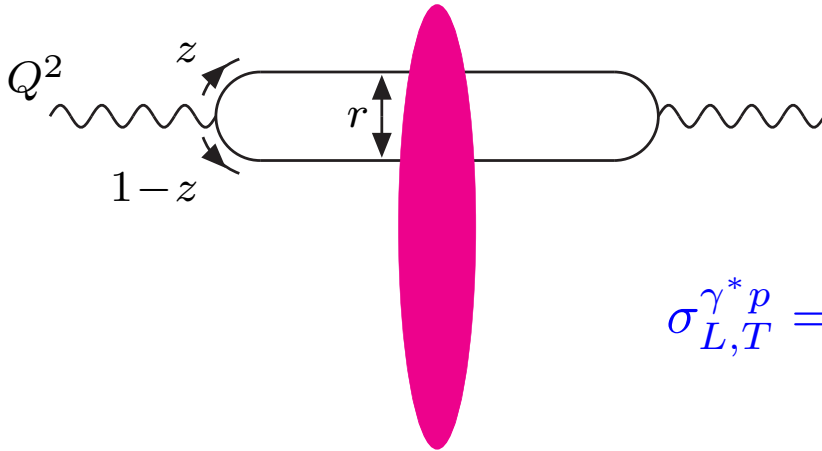
$$\lambda \approx 0.32$$

[F.Gelis, R.Peschanski, L.Schoeffel, G.S., hep-ph/0610436]

$$\tau = \log(Q^2) - \lambda Y \text{ or } \tau = \log(Q^2) - \lambda\sqrt{Y}$$

Factorisation formula:

[E.Iancu, K.Itakura, S.Munier, 03]



$$\sigma_{L,T}^{\gamma^*p} = \int d^2r \int_0^1 dz |\Psi_{L,T}(z, r; Q^2)|^2 2\pi R_p^2 T(\mathbf{r}; Y)$$

- $\Psi_{L,T} \equiv$  photon wavefunction from QED
- dipole amplitude: scaling variable  $\tau = \log(r^2 Q_s^2/4)$

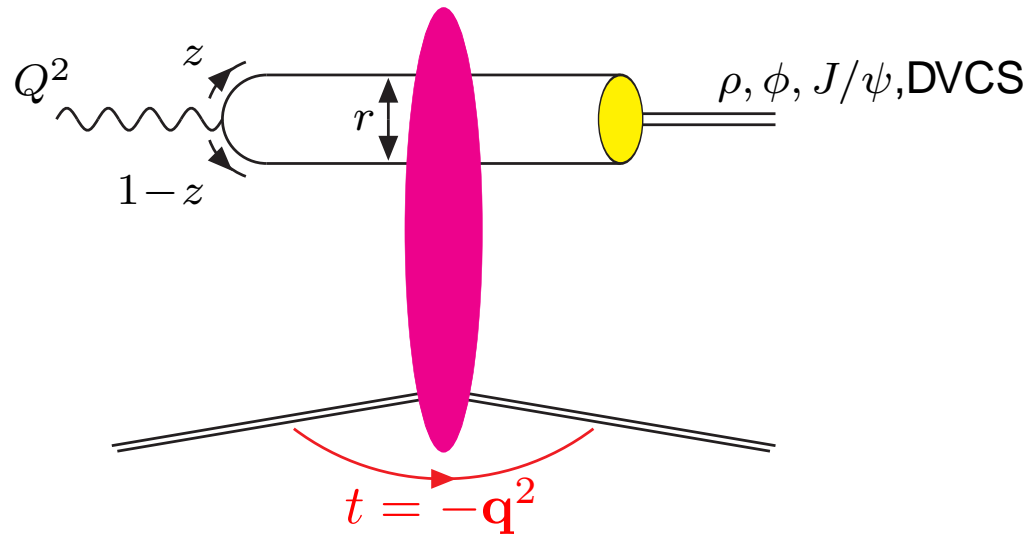
$$T(r; Y) = \begin{cases} T_0 \exp\left(\gamma_c \tau - \frac{\tau^2}{2\bar{\alpha}\chi_c'' Y}\right) & \text{if } rQ_s < 2 & \text{(travelling wave)} \\ 1 - \exp[-a(\tau + b)^2] & \text{if } rQ_s > 2 & \text{(McLerran-Venugopalan)} \end{cases}$$

$Q_s^2(Y) = k_0^2 \exp(\lambda Y) \Rightarrow \lambda \approx 0.25$ , in agreement with NLO BFKL predictions.

# *Phenomenology*

## *Geometric scaling in vector-meson production*

[C.Marquet, R.Peschanski, G.S., to appear]



Factorisation formula:

$$\mathcal{A}_{L,T}^{\gamma^* p \rightarrow V p} = i \int d^2 r \int_0^1 dz \Psi_{L,T}(z, r; Q^2) \Psi_{L,T}^*(z, r, q; M_V^2) e^{i z \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \sigma_{\text{dip}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{q}; Y)$$

$\rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{dt}, \sigma_{\text{el}}$  for  $\rho, \phi, J/\psi, \text{DVCS}$

- photon wavefunction: from QED  
Vector-mesons wavefunction: Boosted-Gaussian model
- dipole amplitude:

$$\sigma_{\text{dip}}(r, q; Y) = 2\pi R_p^2 e^{-b|t|} T_{\text{IM}}(r, Q_s^2(q, Y))$$

- Normalisation: only one slope  $b$  (no  $Q^2$  dependence)
- $T$ -matrix:  $t$ -dependent saturation scale from theoretical predictions:

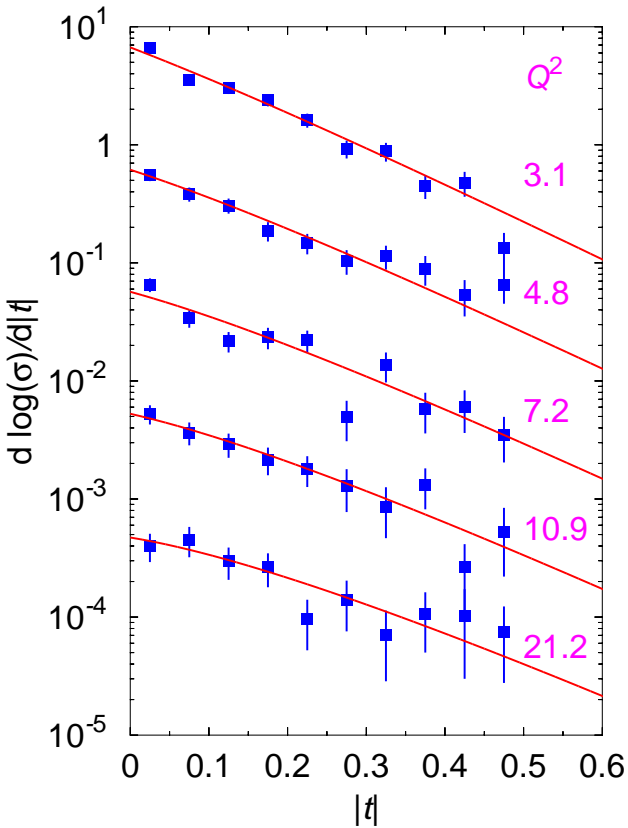
$$Q_s^2 = k_0^2 e^{\lambda Y} \quad \rightarrow \quad Q_s^2 = k_0^2 (1 + c|t|) e^{\lambda Y}$$

Hence:

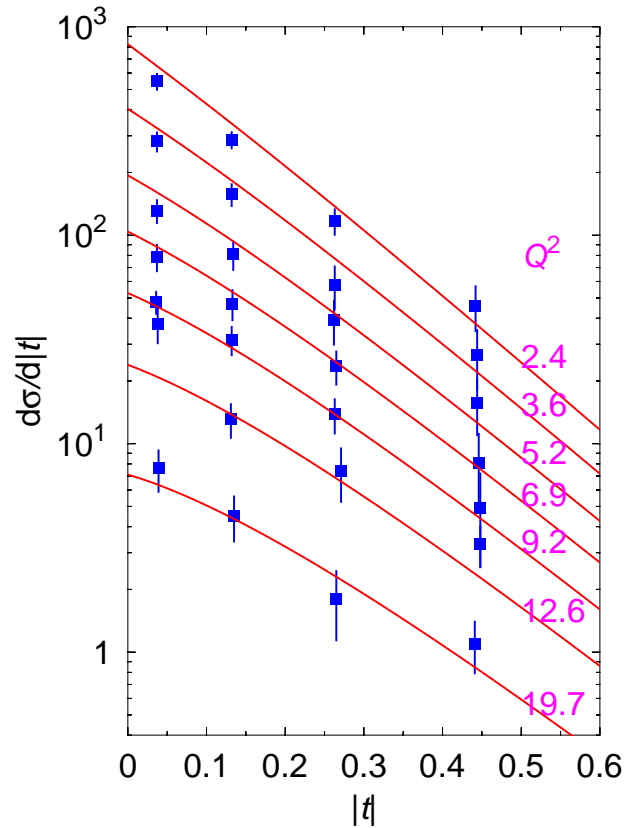
$$b, c \quad \rightarrow \quad \left. \frac{d\sigma}{dt}, \sigma_{\text{el}} \right|_{\rho, \phi} \quad (201 \text{ data})$$

## Example: differential cross-section:

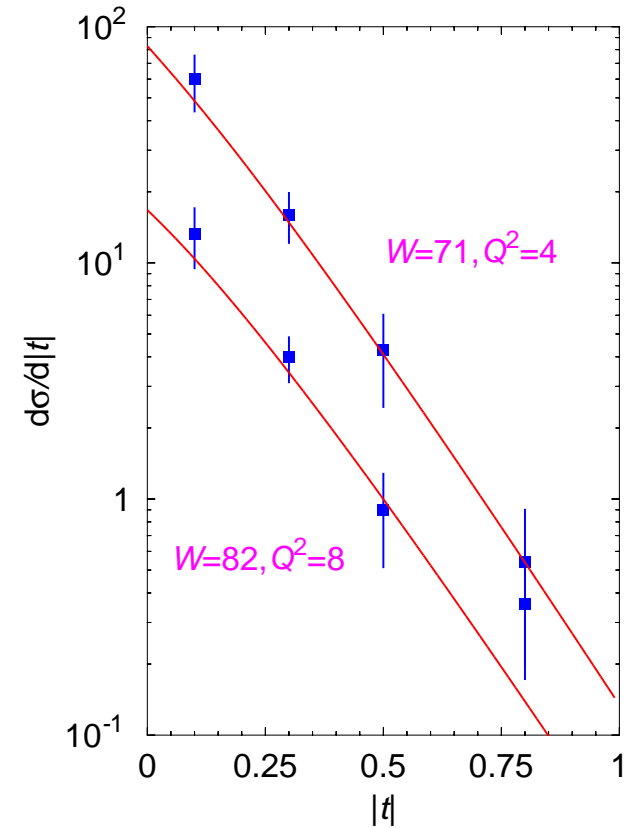
$$\gamma^* p \rightarrow \rho p$$



$$\gamma^* p \rightarrow \phi p$$



pred. for DVCS



## *Future phenomenology*

# *Diffusive scaling at HERA and LHC*

[Y.Hatta,E.Iancu,C.Marquet,G.S.,D.Triantafyllopoulos,06]

We have seen that, at high-energy,

$$\langle T(r, Y) \rangle = T \left( \frac{\log(r\bar{Q}_s)}{\sqrt{Y}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{erfc} \left( \frac{\log^2(r^2\bar{Q}_s^2)}{\sigma^2} \right)$$

with

$$\bar{Q}_s^2(Y) = k_0^2 e^{\lambda Y} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^2 = DY$$

Note:  $\lambda$  and  $D$  (or  $Q_s$  and  $\sigma^2$ ) taken as parameters

Consequences on

- DIS and diffractive DIS (DDIS)
- gluon/forward jet production



- Total cross-section

$$\sigma_{\text{DIS}} = \int dr |\Psi(r, Y; Q^2)|^2 \langle T(r, Y) \rangle$$

$$\rightarrow \text{cst. } \sigma \Phi_1 \left( \frac{\log(r^2 \bar{Q}_s^2)}{\sigma} \right)$$

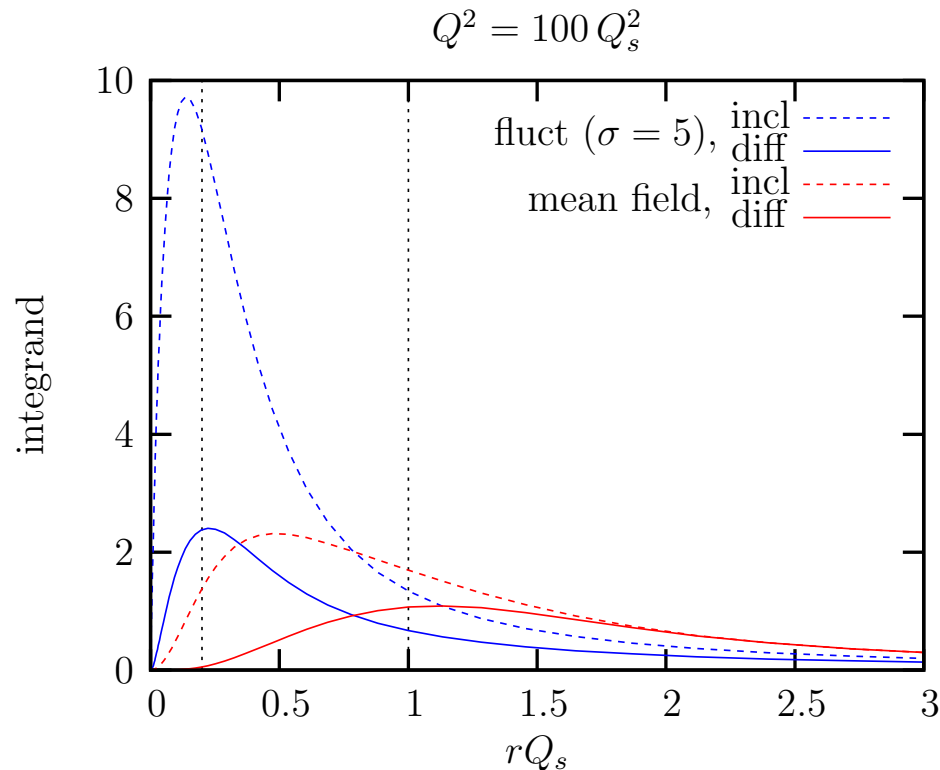
- Diffractive cross-section

$$\sigma_{\text{DDIS}} = \int dr |\Psi(r, Y; Q^2)|^2 \langle T(r, Y) \rangle^2 + (q\bar{q}g) + \dots$$

$$\rightarrow \text{cst. } \sigma \Phi_2 \left( \frac{\log(r^2 \bar{Q}_s^2)}{\sigma} \right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  diffusive scaling for  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{Y}} \sigma_{\text{DIS}}$  and  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{Y}} \sigma_{\text{DDIS}}$

- Typical dipole scales in  $|\Psi|^2 \otimes \langle T \rangle^{(1,2)}$ :

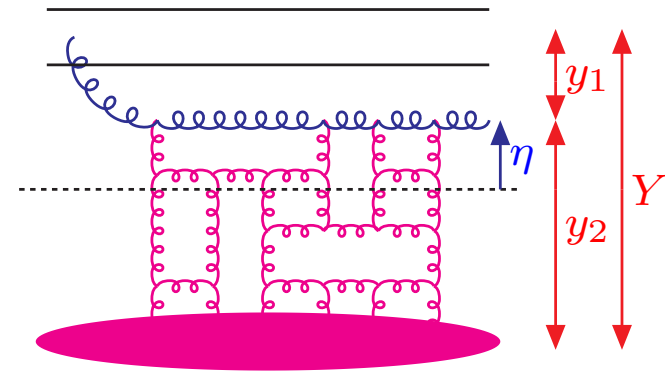


	DIS	DDIS
saturation	$r \sim 1/Q$	$r \sim 1/Q_s$
fluctuations	$r \sim 1/Q$	$r \sim 1/Q$

- Diffraction dominated by elastic amplitudes

dense-dilute scattering:

- $dA$  or  $pp$  at forward rapidities
- dilute projectile  $\rightarrow$  dipoles
- gluon at rapidity  $\eta$

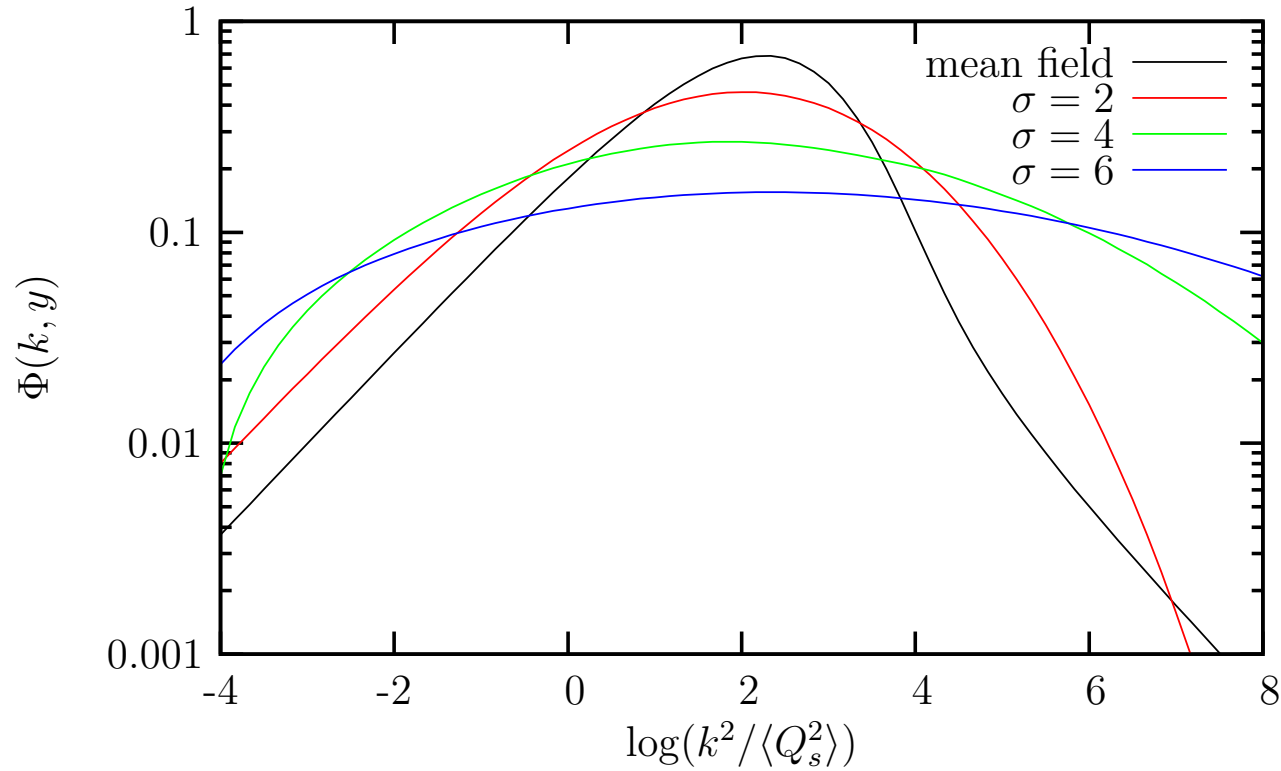


$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\eta d^2k d^2b} = \frac{\bar{\alpha}}{k^2} \int \frac{d^2p}{(2\pi)^2} \phi(\mathbf{p}, y_1) \Phi(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{p}, y_2)$$

Projectile unintegrated gluon density  $\phi(\mathbf{p}, y_1) = \int \frac{d^2r}{2\pi} e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{r}} n(\mathbf{r}, y_1)$

Target contribution  $\Phi(\mathbf{k}, y_2) = \int d^2r e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}}^2 \langle 2T(r, y_2) - T^2(r, y_2) \rangle$

[E. Iancu, C. Marquet, G.S., 06]



$$\Phi(k, Y) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sigma} \exp \left[ \frac{\log^2(k^2 / \bar{Q}_s^2)}{\sigma^2} \right] \Rightarrow \text{diffusive scaling for } \sqrt{Y} \Phi(k, Y)$$

## Part 1: Evolution equations towards high-energy

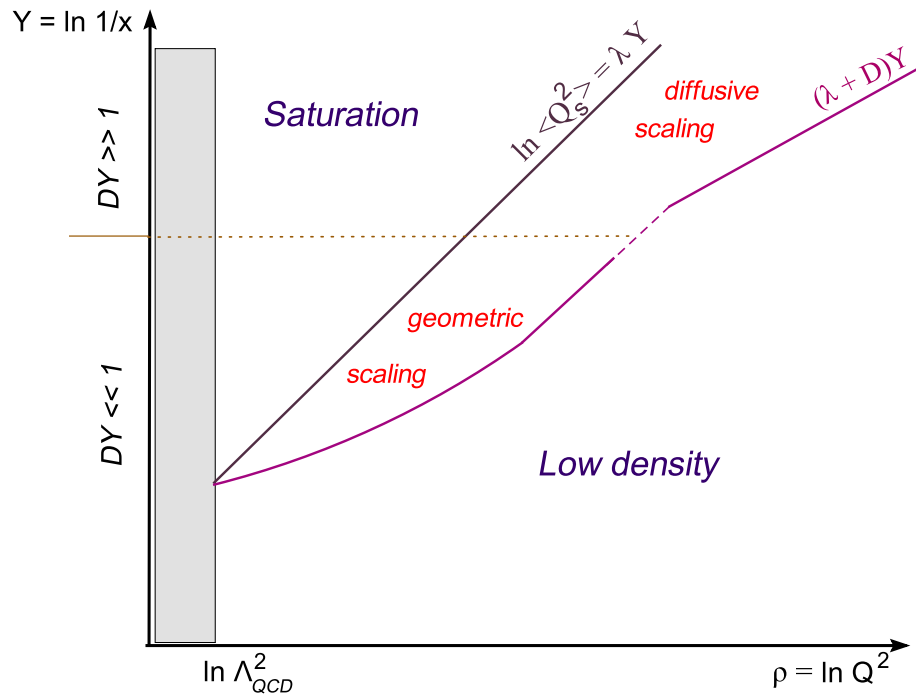
### Infinite hierarchy:

contribution	$\partial_Y \langle T^k \rangle$	importance	diagrams
BFKL	$\langle T^k \rangle$	resums $\alpha_s^n \log^n(s)$	ladders
saturation	$\langle T^{k+1} \rangle$	near unitarity: $T \lesssim 1$	fan
fluctuations	$\langle T^{k-1} \rangle$	dilute tail: $T \gtrsim \alpha_s^2$	splittings & loops

### Perspectives:

- beyond 2 gluon-exchange approximation  
([J.T.Amaral, E.Iancu, G.S., D.Triantfyllopoulos, hep-ph/0611105])
- beyond large- $N_c$  approximation

## Part 2: Solutions for scattering amplitudes



### Geometric scaling

$$T = T(rQ_s)$$

$$Q_s = \exp(\lambda Y)$$

### Diffusive scaling

$$T = T[\log(rQ_s)/\sigma]$$

$$Q_s = \exp(\lambda Y), \sigma^2 = DY$$

General predictions of saturation  
even when  $T \ll 1$

Note: Knowledge of preasympt.

### Perspectives:

- Better analytic control of the fluctuation effects
- include impact-parameter dependence

## Part 3: Phenomenological consequences

### ● HERA:

- geometric scaling for  $F_2$ , DVCS and VM-production  
⇒ indications for saturation
- diffusive scaling for  $F_2$  and  $F_2^D$  at higher energy

### ● LHC:

- diffusive scaling predicted for dense-dilute collisions ( $dA$  or forward  $pp$ )

## Perspectives:

- Control of the interplay between geometric and diffusive scaling (HERA ?)
- More predictions for LHC
- Applications to dense-dense collisions

- generic scaling laws from high-energy QCD
- interesting links with statistical physics
- hints from HERA and TEVATRON

