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A new era for small-x physics

Highlights and ongoing efforts

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UC Davis
July 19th, 2022

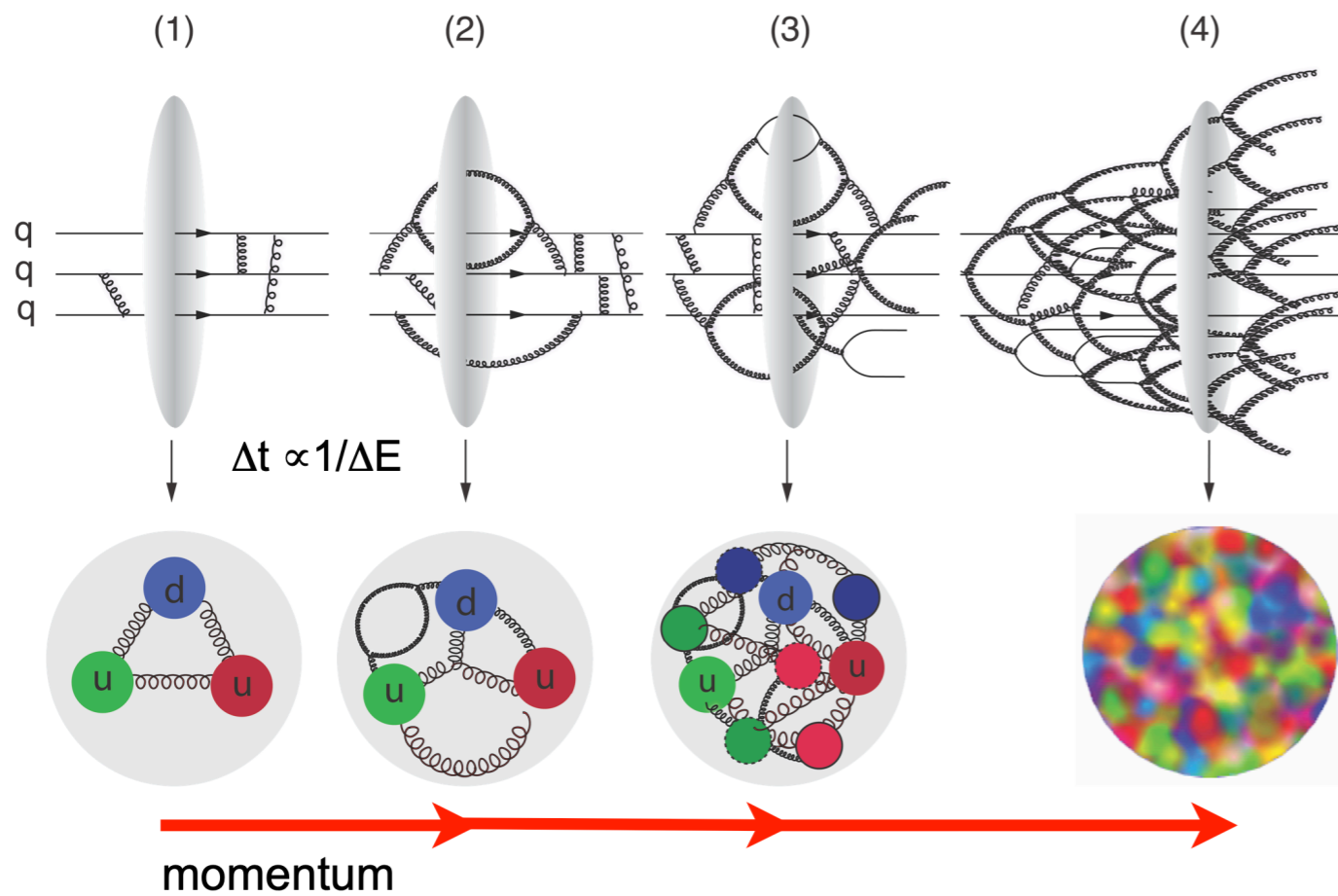
Farid Salazar

in collaboration with many people!

Outline

- Uplifting saturation physics to NLO
- A unified framework for dilute and dense dynamics
- Further ongoing projects

Nuclear matter in the high-energy limit



Artwork: T. Ullrich

Emergence of an energy and nuclear species dependent momentum scale

$$Q_s^2 \propto \left(\frac{A}{x} \right)^{1/3}$$

Multiple scattering (higher twist effects)

Non-linear evolution equations (BK/JIMWLK)

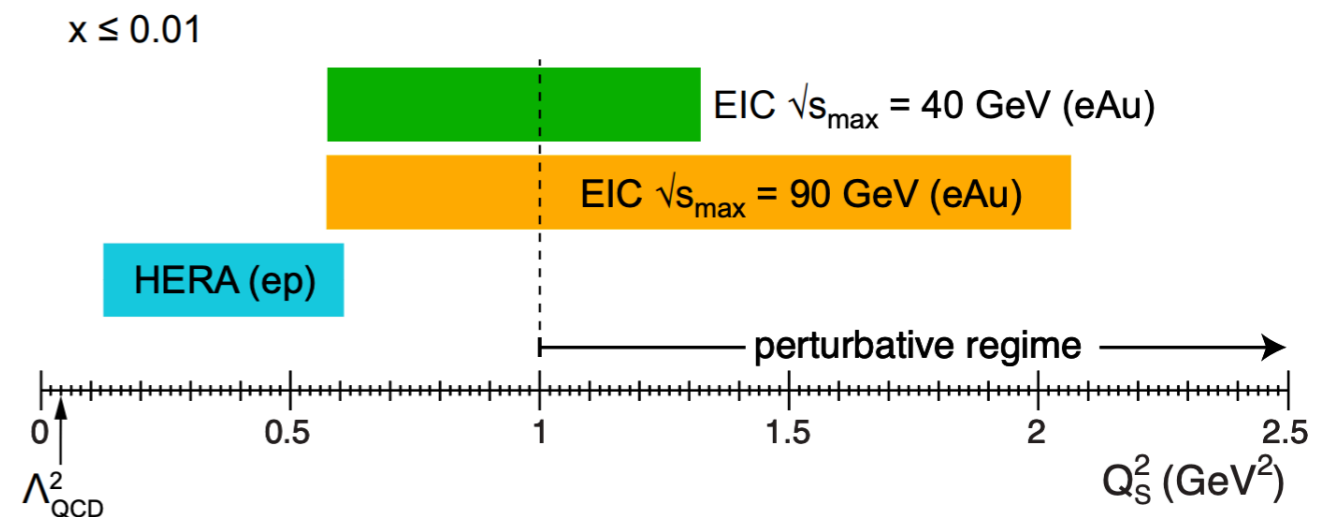
One of the major objectives of the EIC is the search for a new type of state composed of dense gluon matter

See Barbara and Barak talks

For a recent review see

Mining for gluon saturation at colliders
Astrid Morreale, FS (2021)

Nuclear "Oomph factor" $A^{1/3}$

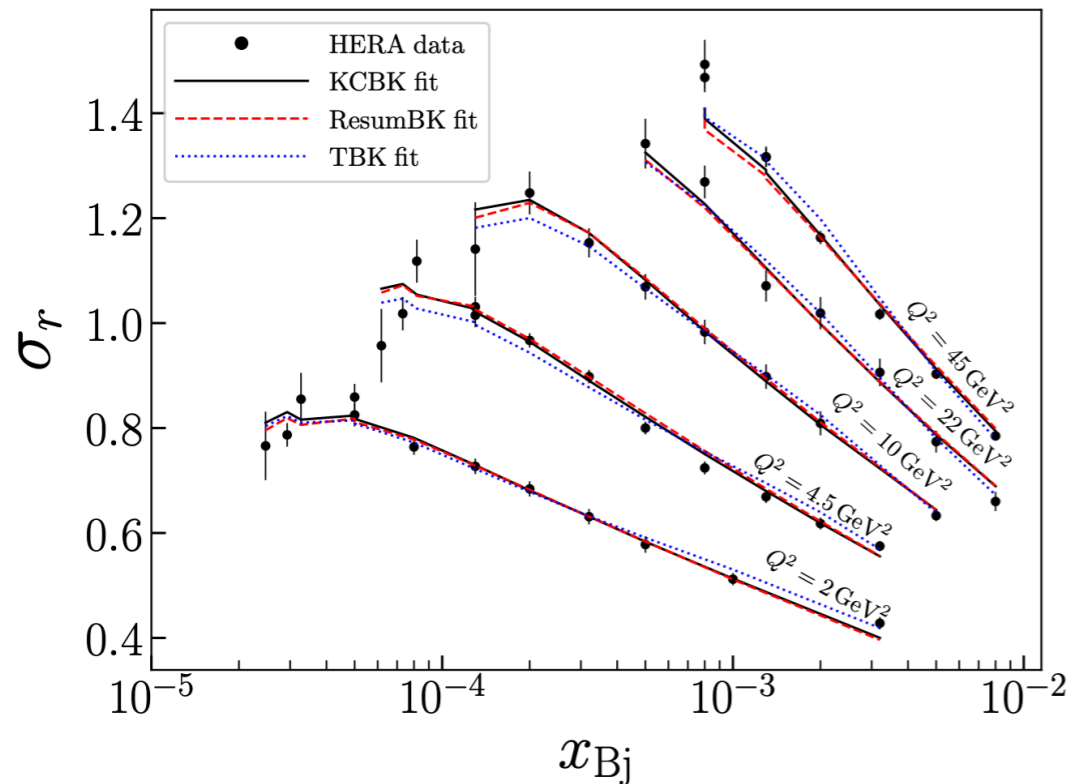


Aschenauer et al (2017)

Uplifting saturation physics to NLO

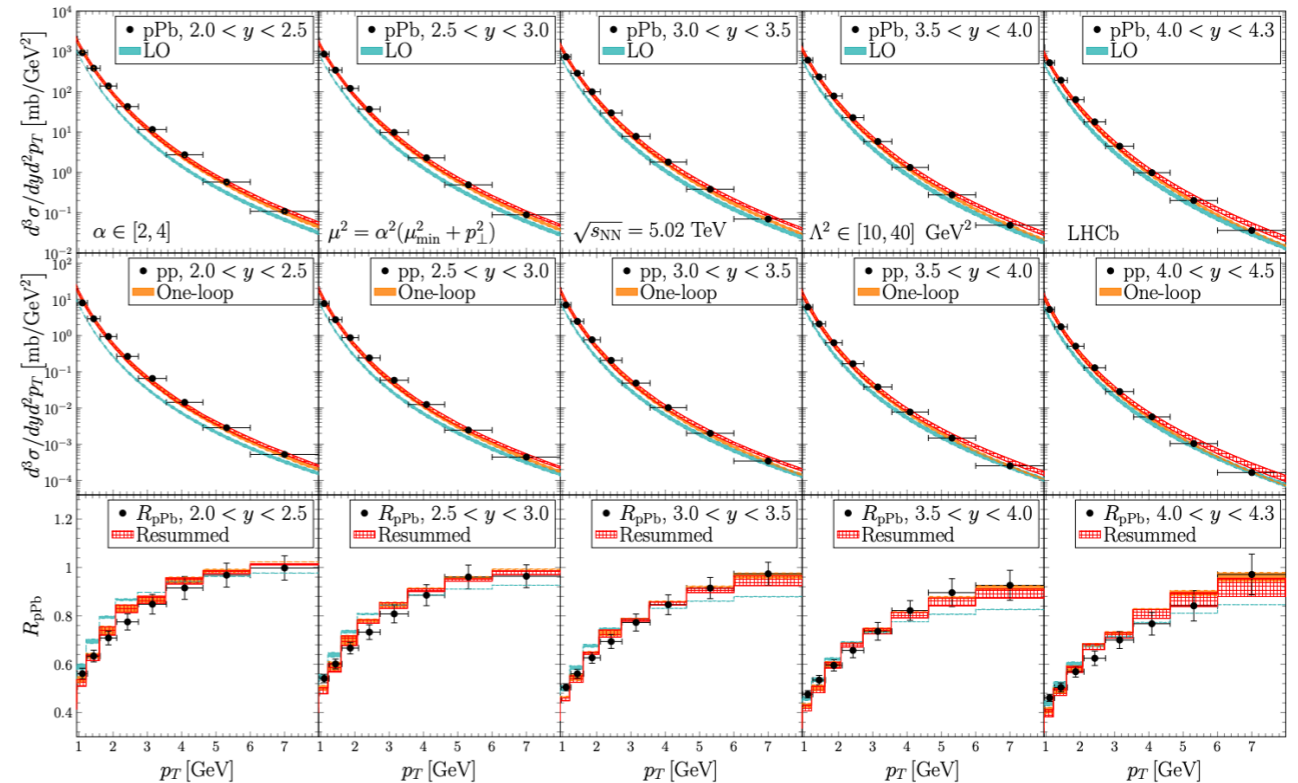
Recent developments

DIS structure functions



Beuf, Lappi, Hänninen, Mäntysaari (2020)

Hadron production in pp (pA)



Shi, Wang, Wei, Xiao (2021)

Many recent developments pushing saturations physics to NLO

Diffractive structure functions

Massive structure functions

Exclusive vector meson production in DIS

Jyväskylä group (Lappi et al, 2020-2022)

Dijet production in DIS *Caucal, FS, Venugopalan (2021)*

Jet production in pA *Liu, Xie, Kang, Liu (2022)*

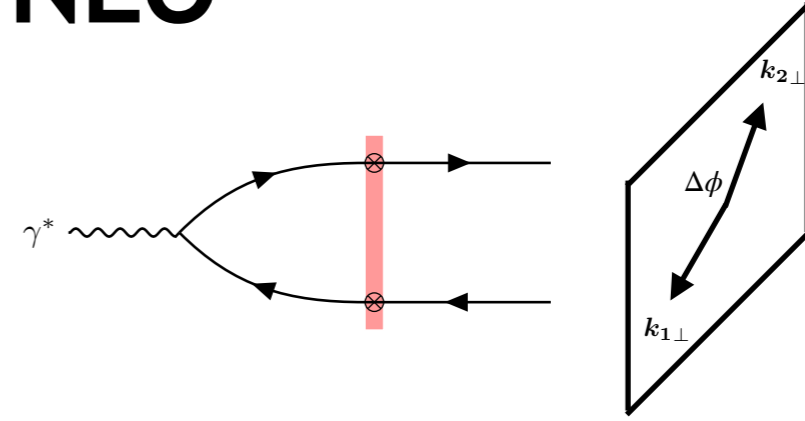
Dijet production in photo-production *Taels et al (2022)*

Dihadron production in DIS *Bergabo, Jalilian-Marian(2022)*

Uplifting saturation physics to NLO

Why dijet production?

Complementary process to fully inclusive

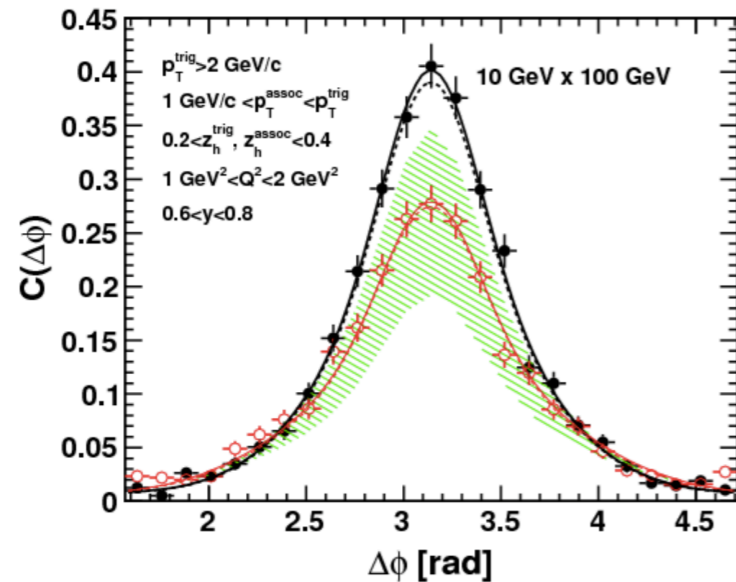


Simplest observable featuring the quadrupole.
JIMWLK factorization beyond the dipole

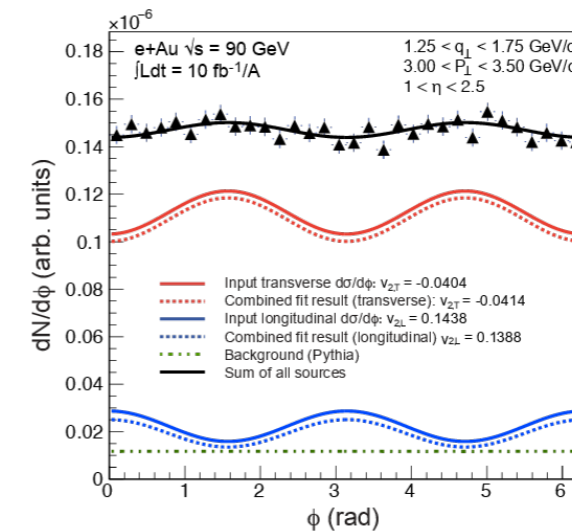
$$Q_Y(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{y}_\perp; \mathbf{y}'_\perp, \mathbf{x}'_\perp) = \frac{1}{N_c} \langle \text{Tr} [V(\mathbf{x}_\perp) V^\dagger(\mathbf{y}_\perp) V(\mathbf{y}'_\perp) V^\dagger(\mathbf{x}'_\perp)] \rangle_Y$$

In the back-to-back limit contact with the
(transverse momentum dependent) TMD formalism

Dominguez, Marquet, Xiao, Yuan (2011)



Jets are better proxies of hard partons (than hadrons)



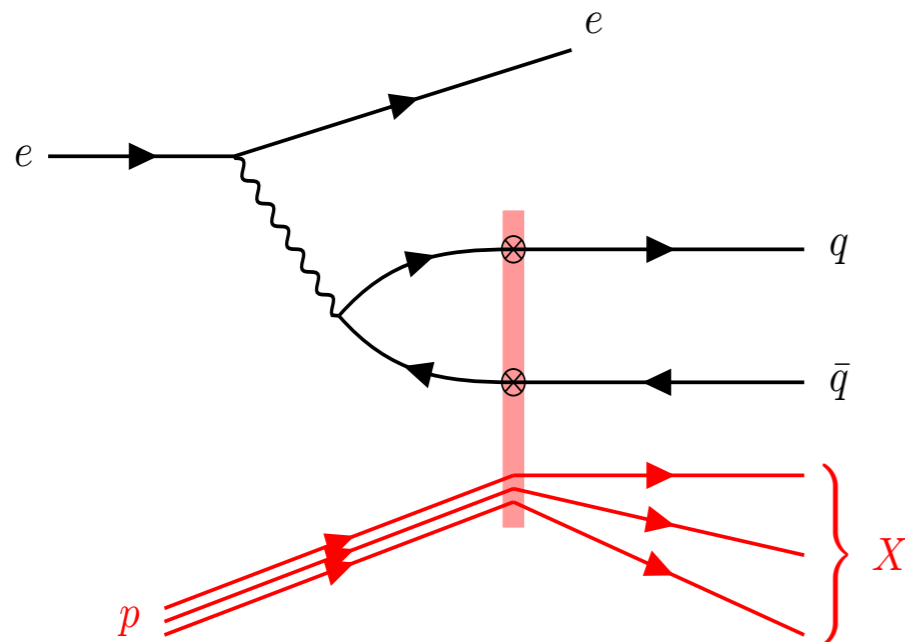
Dumitru, Skokov, Ullrich (2019)

Suppression of back-to-back peak potential signature
of gluon saturation (dihadrons)

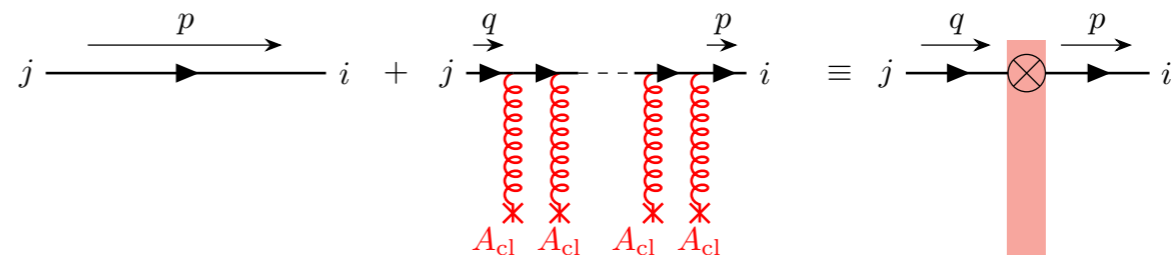
Zheng, Aschenauer, Lee, Xiao (2014)

Uplifting saturation physics to NLO

Dijet production: from CGC to TMD



In the CGC the differential cross-section is a convolution of a **perturbative factor** and **correlators of products of Wilson lines**



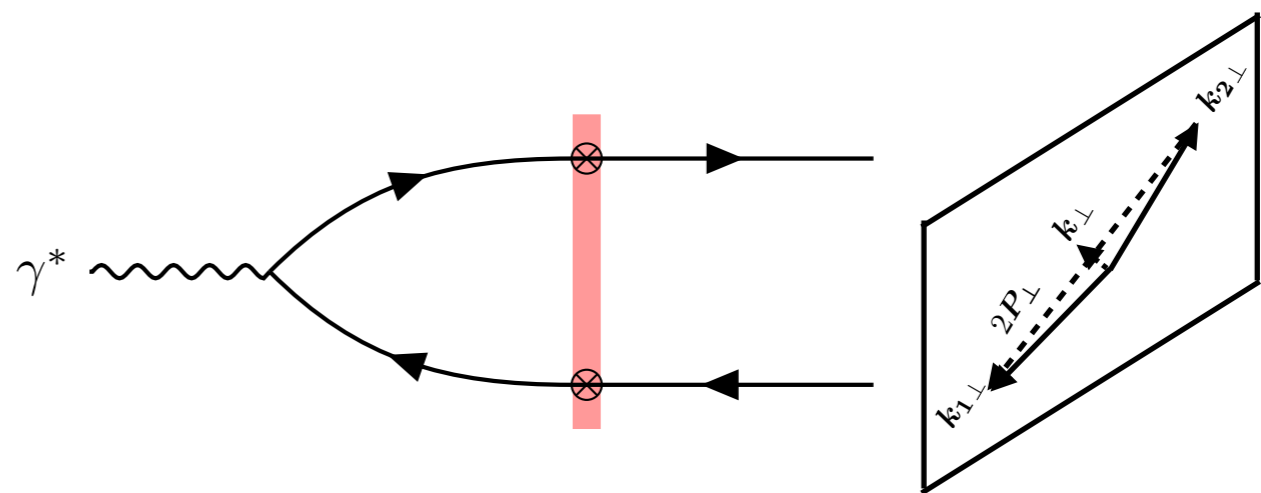
Wilson line resums multiple scatterings

$$V_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) = P \exp \left\{ ig \int dx^- A_{cl}^{+,a}(\mathbf{x}, x^-) t^a \right\}$$

In the back-to-back dijet configuration, the result can be cast as a product of a **hard factor** and the **WW gluon TMD**

Dominguez, Marquet, Xiao, Yuan (2011)

See also Boussarie, Mäntysaari, FS, Schenke (2021)

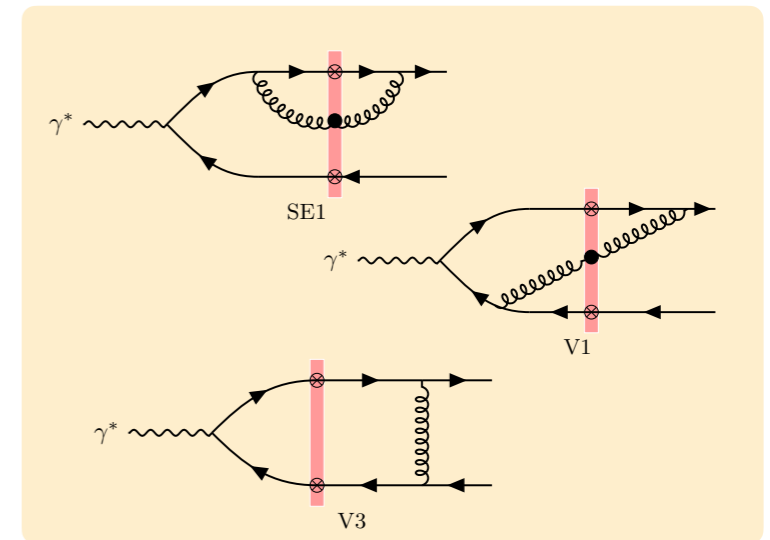
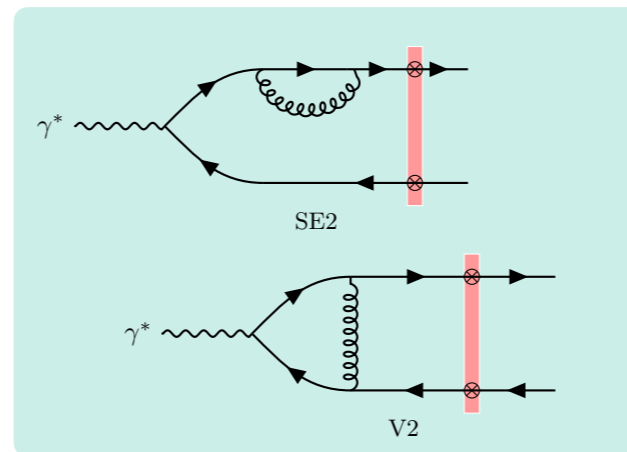
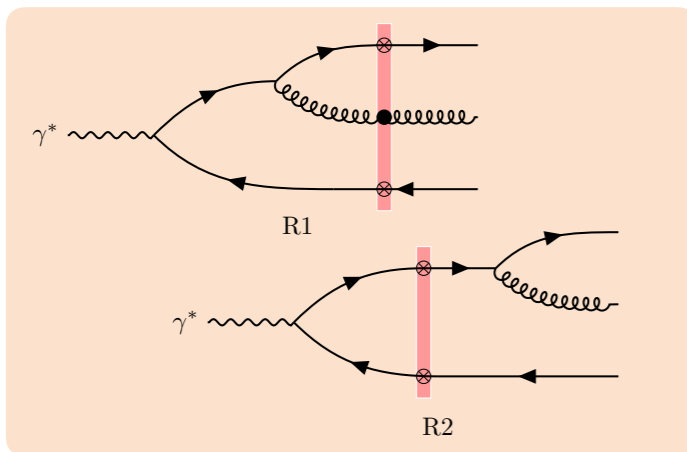


Does this CGC-TMD correspondence hold at NLO?

Uplifting saturation physics to NLO

Dijet production in the CGC at NLO

Computed one-loop corrections



Highlights of our results

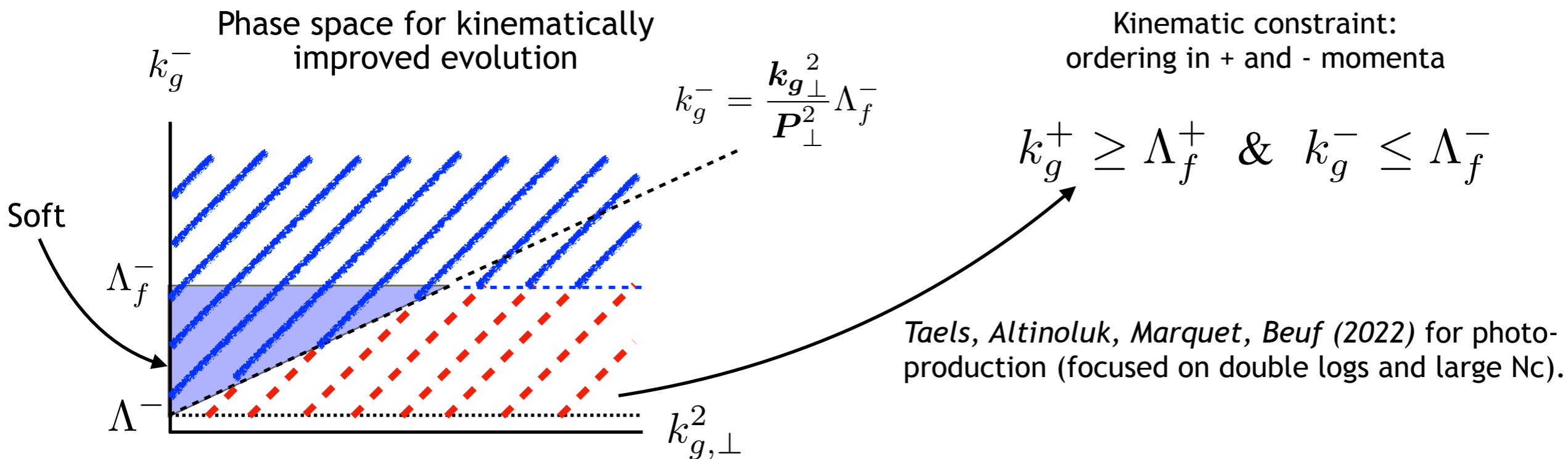
- Cancellation of UV, soft and collinear divergences
- Large energy (rapidity) logs factorize, and can be resummed via JIMWLK evolution
- Impact factor (free of large energy logs) is finite and can be numerically computed

In collaboration with Paul Caucal, and Raju Venugopalan. [2108.06347](#) [[JHEP 11 \(2021\) 222](#)]

Uplifting saturation physics to NLO

From CGC at NLO to TMDs

Sudakov logs in collinear/TMD obtained by Mueller, Xiao, Yuan (2013)



$$d\sigma \sim \mathcal{H}^{ij}(\mathbf{P}_\perp, Q, z_1) \int d^2\mathbf{b}_\perp d^2\mathbf{b}'_\perp e^{-i\mathbf{k}_\perp \cdot (\mathbf{b}_\perp - \mathbf{b}'_\perp)} \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{P}_\perp^2, \mathbf{b}_\perp - \mathbf{b}'_\perp) S_{\text{WW}}^{ij}(\mathbf{b}_\perp, \mathbf{b}'_\perp; Y_f)$$

$$\mathcal{S}(\mathbf{P}_\perp^2, \mathbf{R}_\perp^2) = \exp \left(- \int_{c_0^2/\mathbf{R}_\perp^2}^{\mathbf{P}_\perp^2} \frac{d\mu^2}{\mu^2} \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2) N_c}{\pi} \left[\underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{\mathbf{P}_\perp^2}{\mu^2} \right)}_{\text{Double log}} + \underbrace{\frac{C_F}{N_c} A_0 - A_f}_{\text{Single log}} \right] \right)$$

+ NLO pieces that break TMD factorization

work in preparation (2208.XXXX) with Paul Caucal, Björn Schenke, and Raju Venugopalan

Uplifting saturation physics to NLO

From CGC at NLO to TMDs (next steps)

- Numerical predictions for dijets at NLO

Implementing kinematically constrained small-x evolution

Double and single Sudakov log resummation

Impact on azimuthal asymmetries (extraction of linearly pol gluons)

Estimate the size of factorization breaking terms (enhanced in nuclei)

work in progress with Caucal, Schenke, Venugopalan

- Distinguish soft/rapidity divergences using SCET

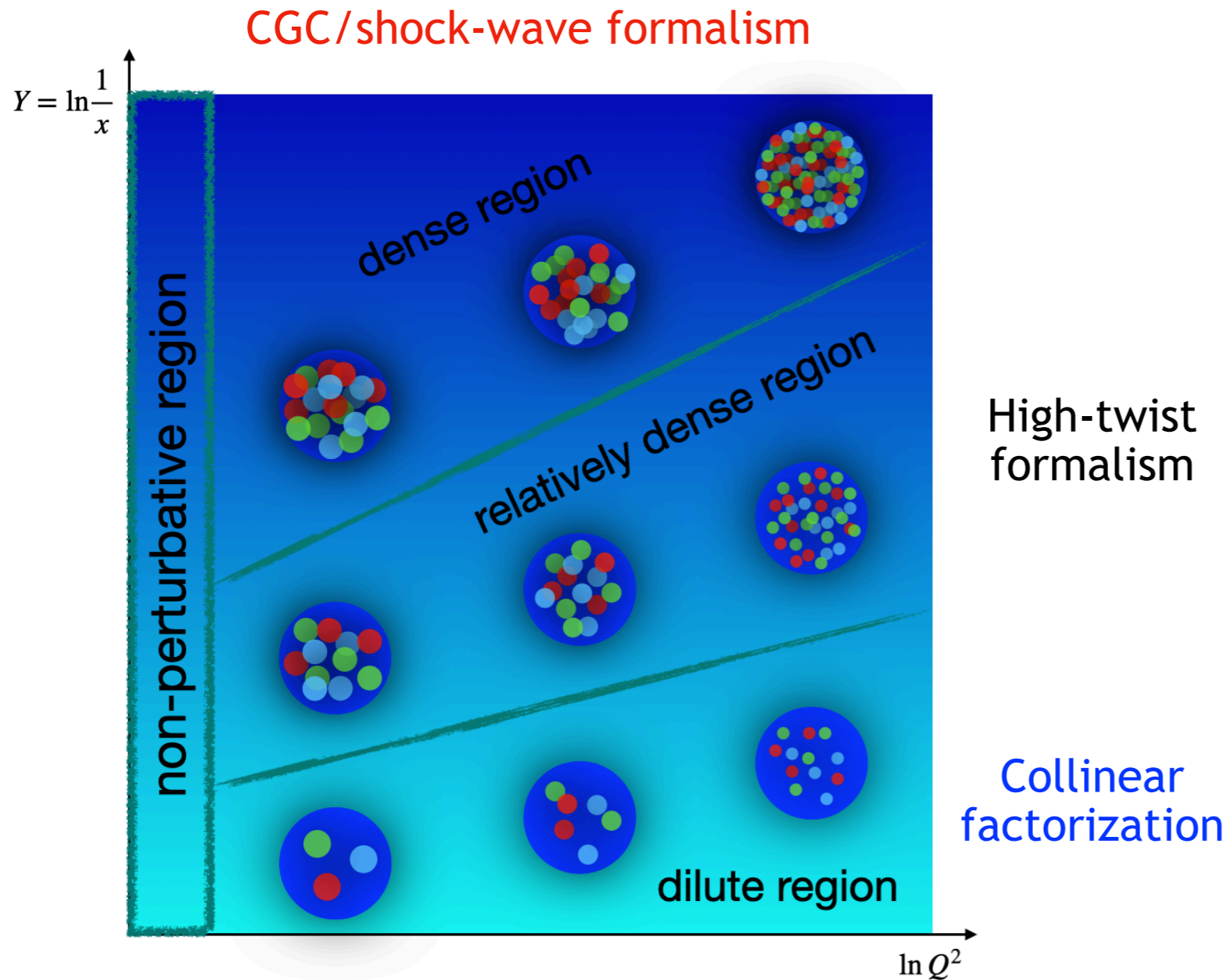
A systematic treatment of soft and collinear regions, and rapidity divergences following *Liu, Xie, Kang, Liu (2022)*

Establish factorization at small-x ala SCET

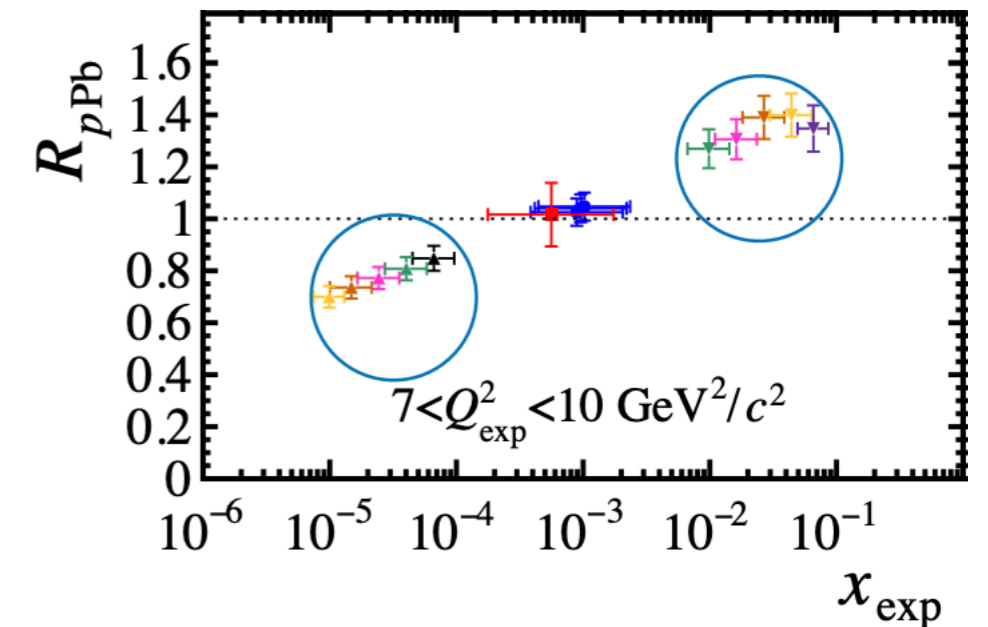
work in progress with Zhongbo Kang and Xiaohui Liu

A unified framework for dilute-dense dynamics

Anatomy of hadronic matter



Nuclear modification of charged particle production



Enhancement (backward region)
vs suppression (forward region)

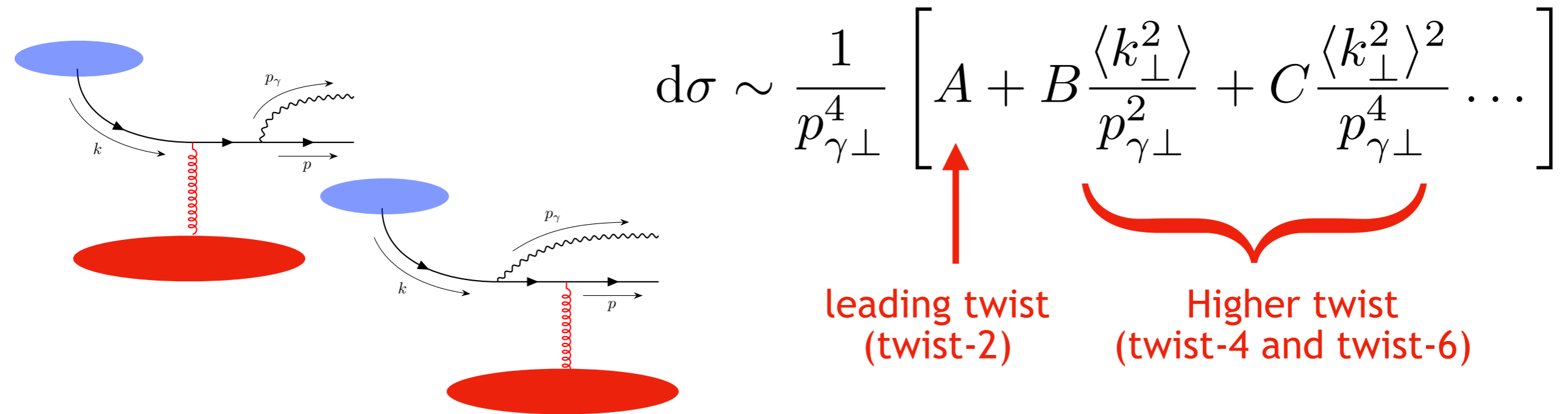
LHCb Collaboration.
Phys. Rev. Lett. 128, 142004

Can we establish a framework that simultaneously describes both regions?

A unified framework for dilute-dense dynamics

Beyond leading twist in collinear factorization

A simple example:
direct photon production in pA



Higher twist become important at moderate $p_{\gamma\perp}^2$!

What is the intrinsic momentum $\langle k_\perp^2 \rangle$ of the nucleus ?

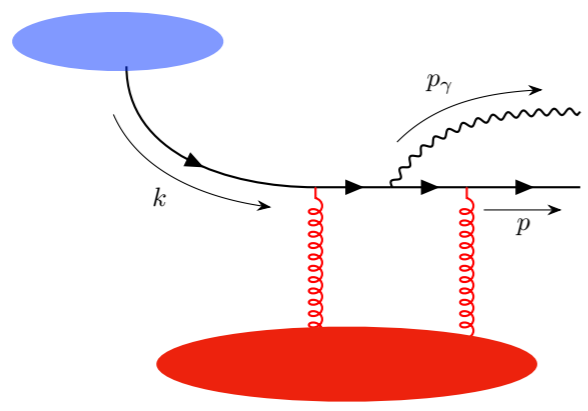
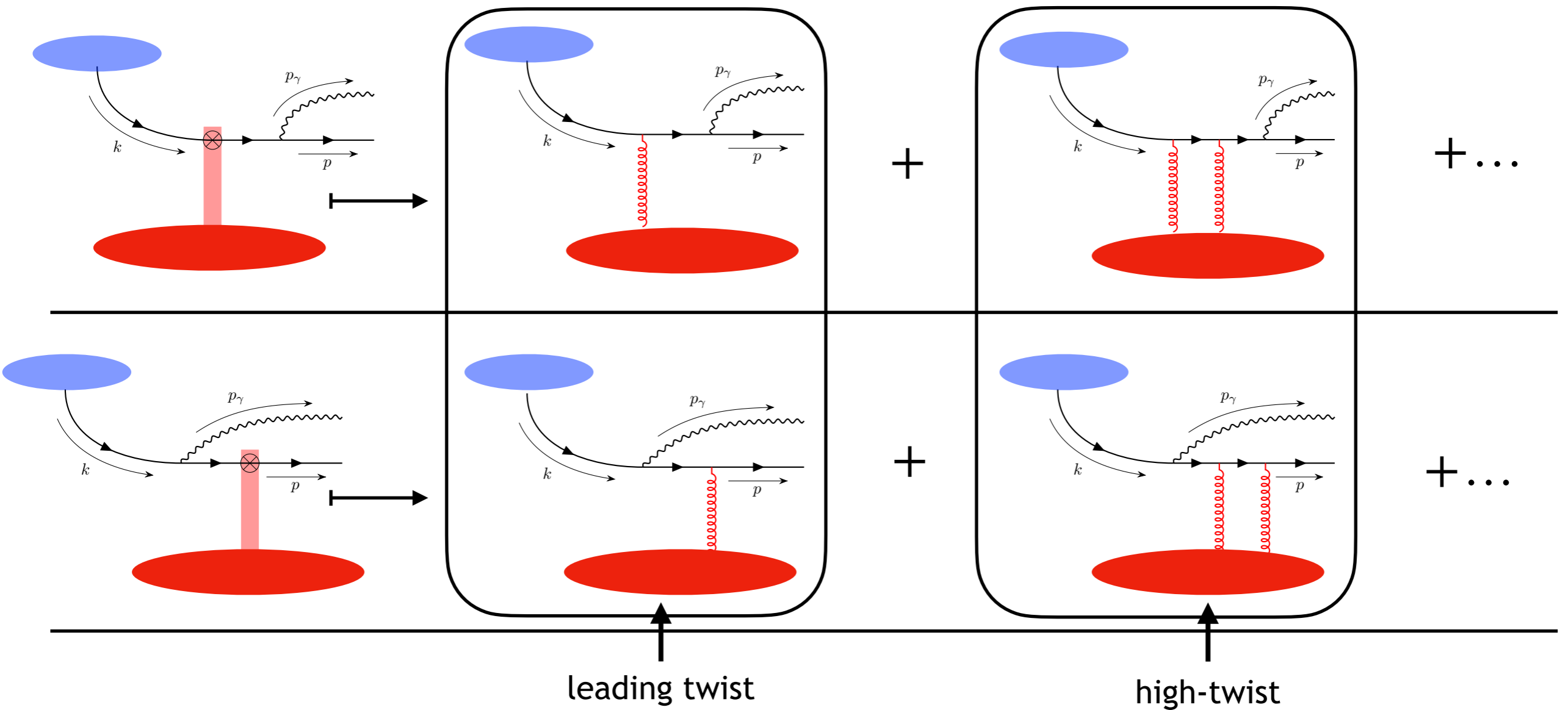
Λ_{QCD}^2 ?

Q_s^2 ?

Saturation scale?
grows with energy and
nuclear number?

A unified framework for dilute-dense dynamics

Matching between high-twist and CGC formalism: open up shock-wave



CGC missing diagram to match to high-twist

Can be recovered by keeping "sub-eikonal" phase

in preparation (2208.XXXX) with Yu Fu, Zhongbo Kang, Xin-Nian Wang, Hongxi Xing

A unified framework for dilute-dense dynamics

Matching between high-twist and CGC formalism in the collinear limit

- Twist-2

$$p_\gamma^- \frac{d\sigma^{p+A \rightarrow \gamma+X}}{dp_\gamma^- d^2\mathbf{p}_{\gamma\perp}} = \int dx_p f(x_p) \frac{\alpha_{em} \alpha_s}{N_c} \frac{\xi^2 [1 + (1 - \xi)^2]}{\mathbf{p}_{\gamma\perp}^4} T_{LT}(x)$$

$$T_{LT}(x) = \frac{1}{P_A^+} \int \frac{dw^-}{2\pi} e^{ixP_A^+ w^-} \langle P_A | F_a^{\alpha+}(w^-, \mathbf{0}_\perp) F_a^{\beta+}(0^-, \mathbf{0}_\perp) | P_A \rangle \delta_{\perp\alpha\beta}$$

- Twist-4 contributions

$$p_\gamma^- \frac{d\sigma^{p+A \rightarrow \gamma+X}}{dp_\gamma^- d^2\mathbf{p}_{\gamma\perp}} \Big|_{C,I} = \frac{(2\pi)^3 \alpha_{em} \alpha_s^2}{N_c^2} \int dx_p f(x_p) \frac{[1 + (1 - \xi)^2]}{\mathbf{p}_{\gamma\perp}^6} \\ \times \left[4\xi^4 T_{C,I}(x, 0) + \xi^3 (1 - \xi) \frac{\partial(T_{C,I}(x, x_2))}{\partial x_2} \Big|_{x_2=0} - 3\xi^4 x \frac{\partial(T_{C,I}(x_1, 0))}{\partial x_1} \Big|_{x_1=x} + \xi^4 x^2 \frac{\partial^2(T_{C,I}(x_1, 0))}{\partial x_1^2} \Big|_{x_1=x} \right]$$

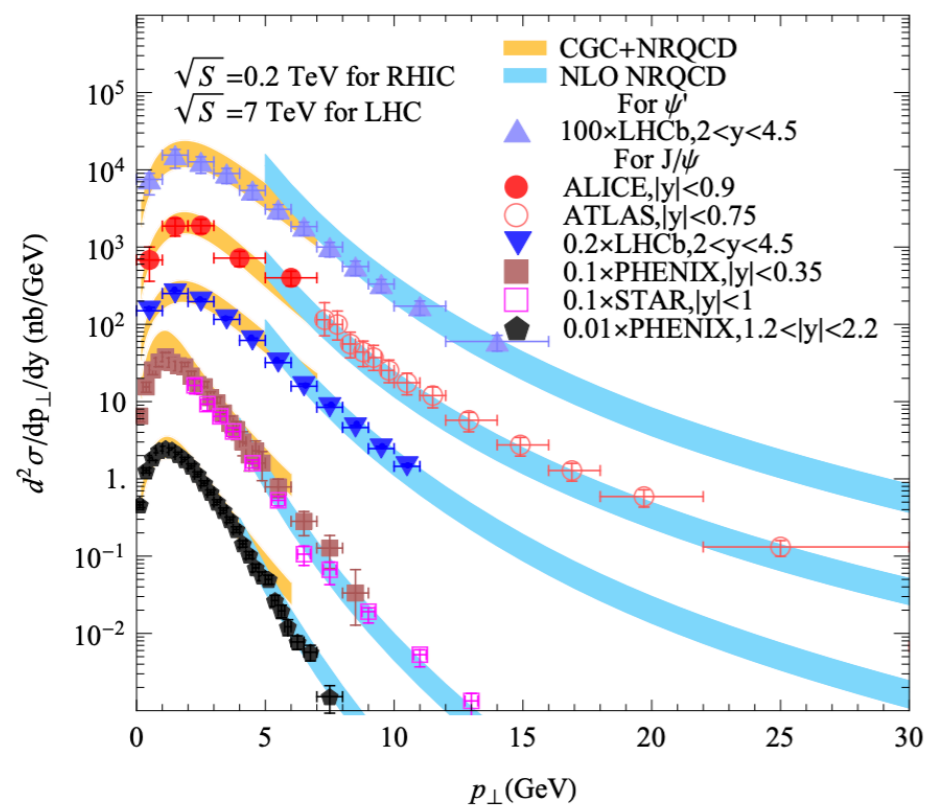
$$T_{C,I}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{P_A^+} \int \frac{dw^-}{2\pi} \int \frac{dz^-}{2\pi} \int \frac{dz'^-}{2\pi} e^{ix_1 P_A^+ w^-} e^{ix_2 P_A^+ (z^- - z'^-)} \Theta(w^- - z^-) \Theta(-z'^-) \\ \langle P_A | F_a^{\alpha+}(w^-, \mathbf{0}_\perp) F_b^{\rho+}(z^-, \mathbf{0}_\perp) F_b^{\delta+}(z'^-, \mathbf{0}_\perp) F_a^{\beta+}(0^-, \mathbf{0}_\perp) | P_A \rangle \delta_{\alpha\beta} \delta_{\rho\delta}$$

+ contributions from final state, interference, and asymmetric cut

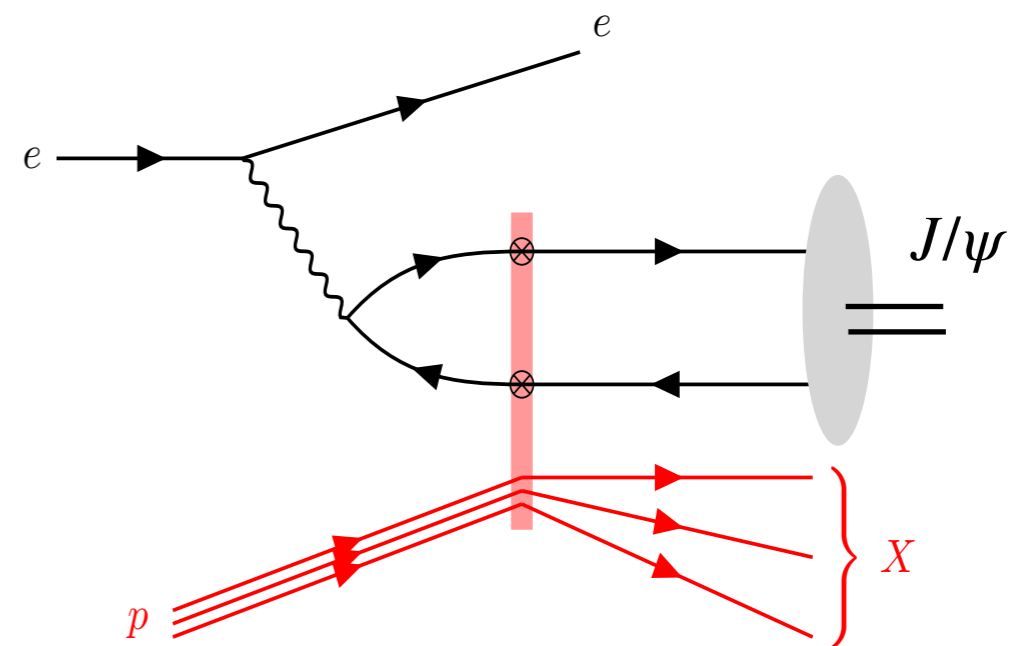
Quarkonium production at small-x

- Studies of quarkonium production in DIS at small-x have focused mostly on diffraction, and employ NP model for LCWF of quarkonium
- Employ CGC + NRQCD or CGC+ICEM to study nuclear modification factor in DIS

Good description of experimental data at low p_{\perp} at RHIC and LHC



Ma, Venugopalan (2014)
 based on Kang, Ma, Venugopalan (2014)



Quarkonium production in DIS and small-x

in progress with Vincent Cheung, Zhongbo Kang, and Ramona Vogt

Energy-energy correlators at small-x

- Jets ideal to access parton dynamics at low-x
- Due to limited center of mass energy at EIC, difficult to measure jets in low-x kinematics (see Barbara's talk)
- Hadrons measurements introduce some uncertainty due to fragmentation functions

Energy-energy correlator

$$\text{EEC}_{\text{EIC}}(\tau) = \sum_a \int d\theta_a z_a dz_a \frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma^{\gamma^* + A \rightarrow a + X}}{d\theta_{ap} dz_a} \delta\left(\tau - \left(\frac{1 + \cos\theta_{ap}}{2}\right)\right)$$

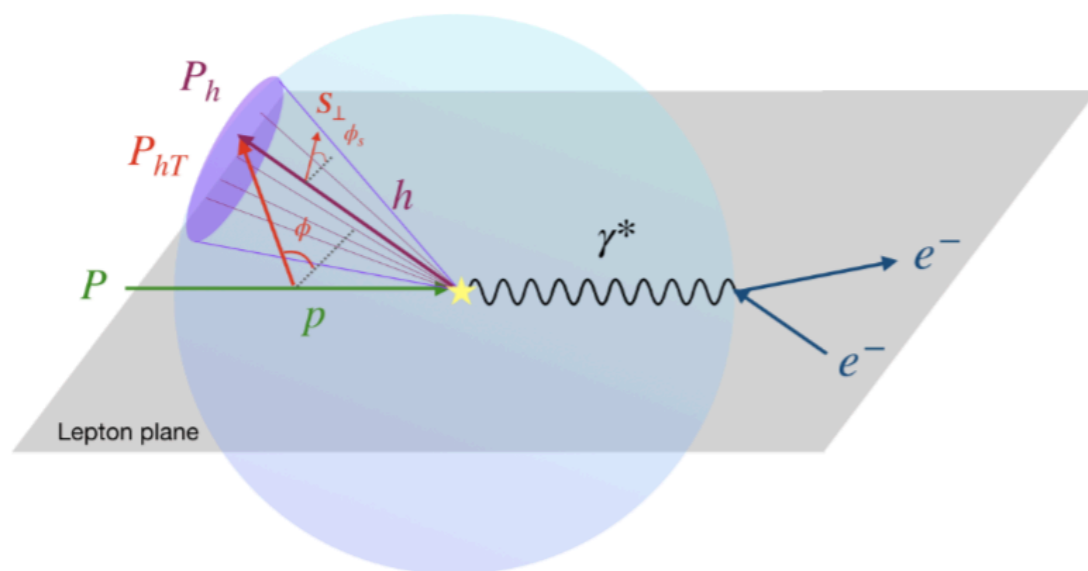


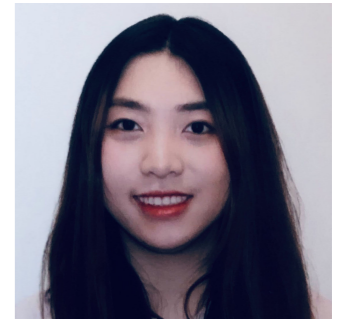
Figure from Fanyi Zhao

- Due to sum rule reduce uncertainties due to fragmentation
- Study nuclear modification factor of EEC near $\tau \sim 0$

in progress with Haotian Cao, Zhongbo Kang, Xiaohui Liu, and Fanyi Zhao

Ongoing projects with undergrads at UCLA

- Global analysis of DIS and pp/pA data
with Amanda Wei and ZK (Miranda Li recently joined)*

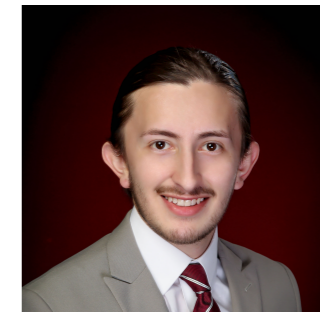


- Isolated photon+hadron(jet) production
with Sky Shi and ZK*



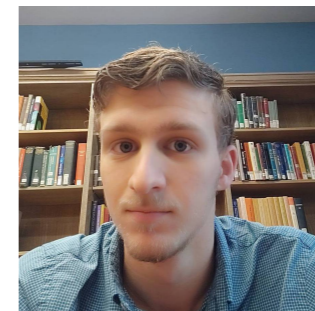
- Leveraging the LHAPDF framework for efficient small-x computations

*with Jeisson Pulido** (Cal Bridge), ZK, and John Terry*



- Diffractive J/ψ + photon production in DIS

*with Philip Velie** (U. Virginia) and ZK*



*graduated recently

**visiting students

Summary

- Uplifting saturation physics to NLO

Dijet production in DIS interplay between small- x resummation and TMD evolution

- A unified framework for dilute and dense dynamics

Possibility to generalize the CGC formalism to admit a simultaneous description of small- x and moderate- x

- Further ongoing projects

Promising observables at the EIC: energy-energy correlators, and quarkonium production in DIS at small- x

Undergrads are actively engaged, hope they will join this meeting in the future!