

# Resummation of the photon-gluon impact factor

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# Outline

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- Resummation for the BFKL gluon Green's function
- Photon gluon impact factor with exact kinematics
- Resummed impact factor: collinear and small  $x$  constraints
- Numerical results for the  $\gamma^*\gamma^*$  cross section

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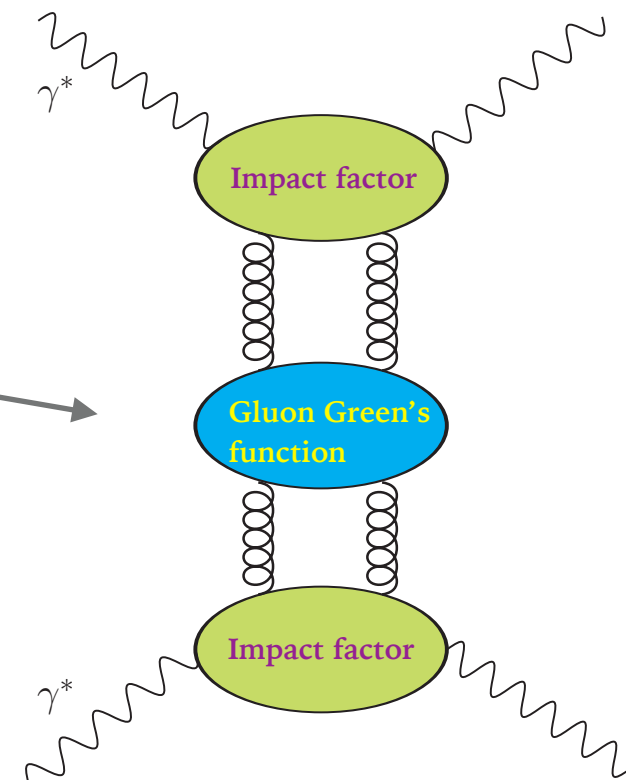
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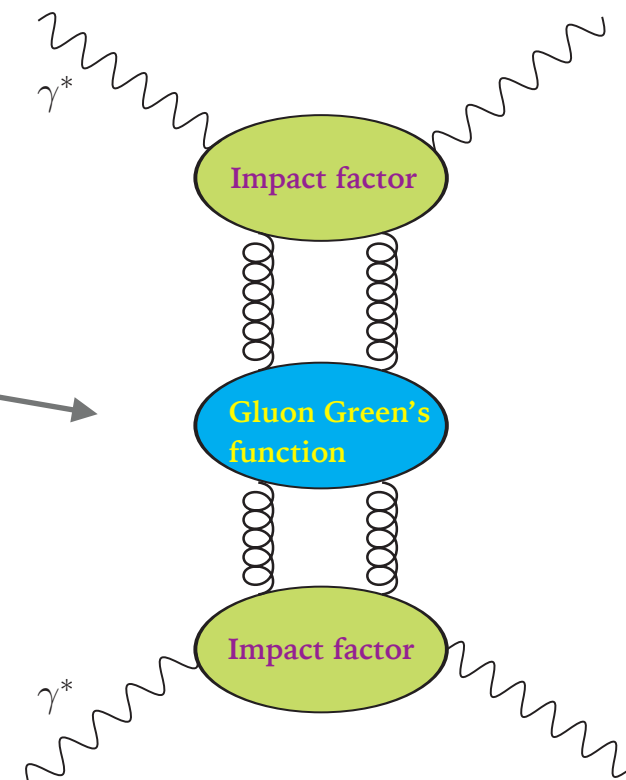
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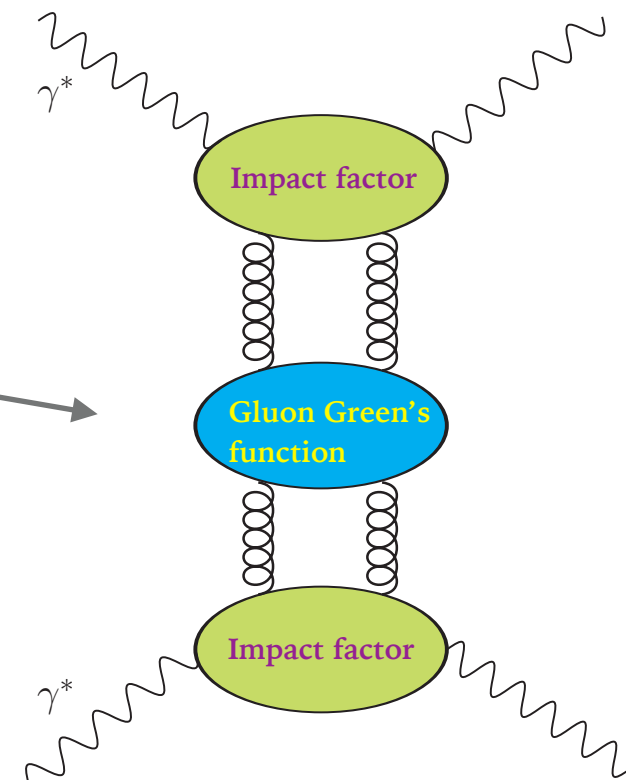
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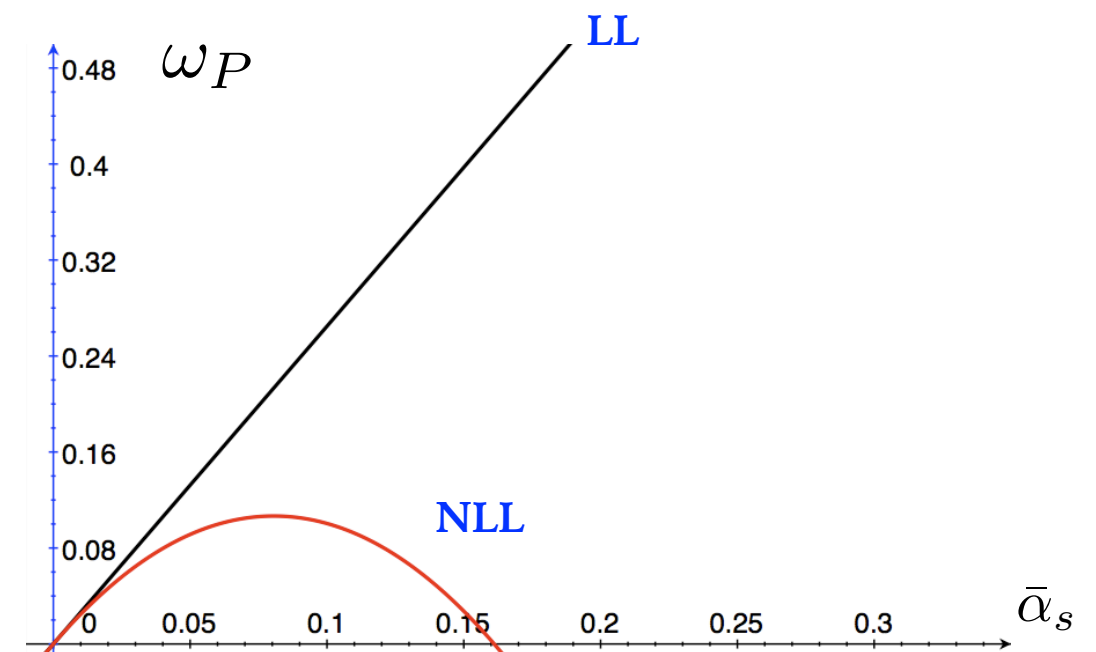
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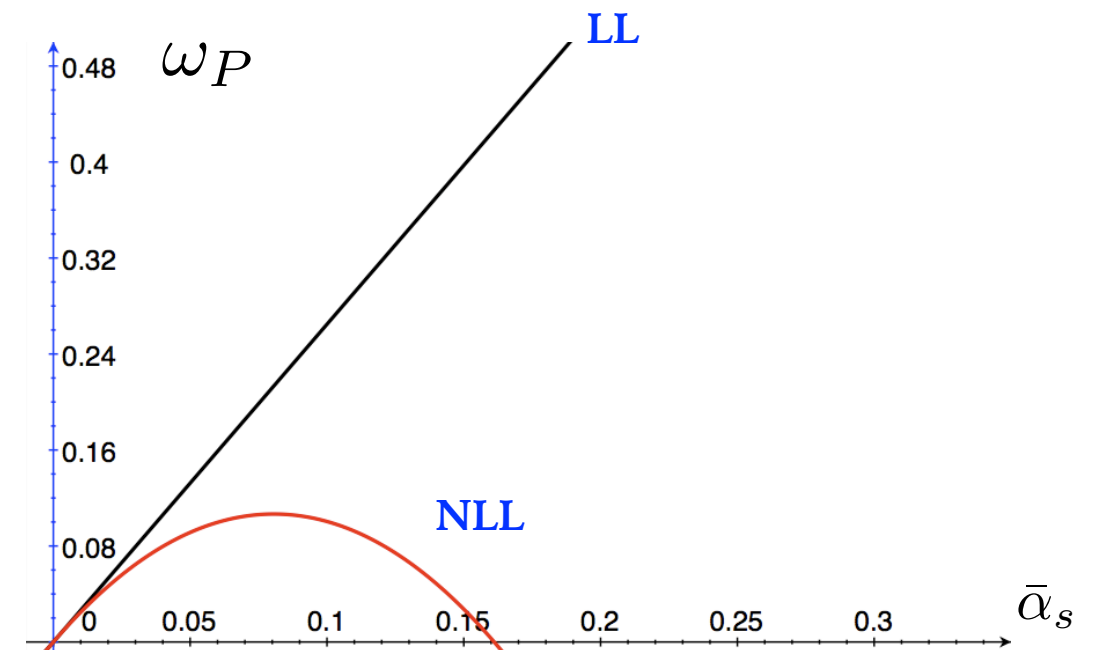
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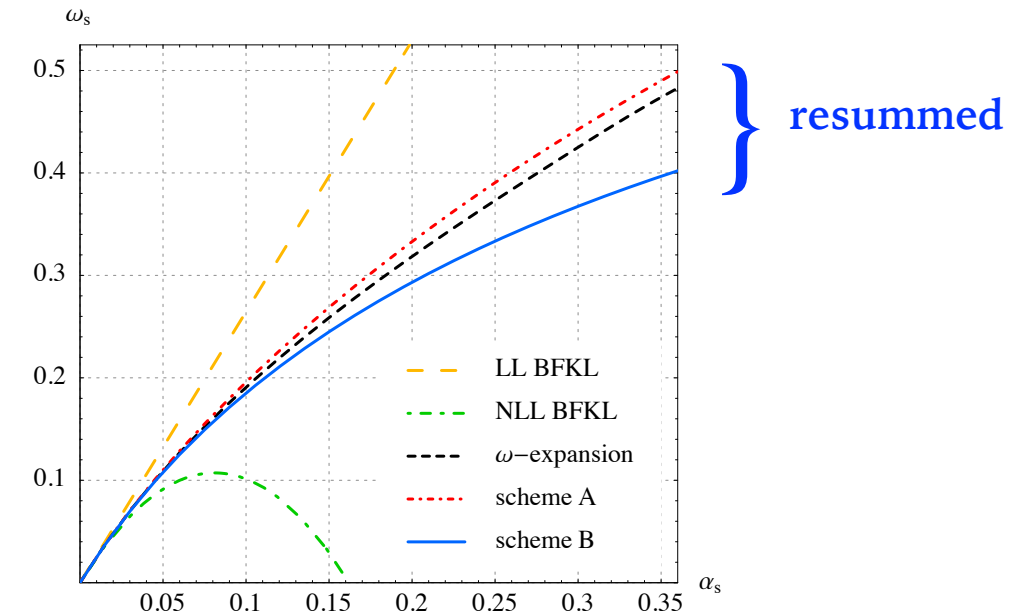
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Quintic poles of **NNLL result in N=4 sYM** recovered too *Deak,Kutak,Li,AS*

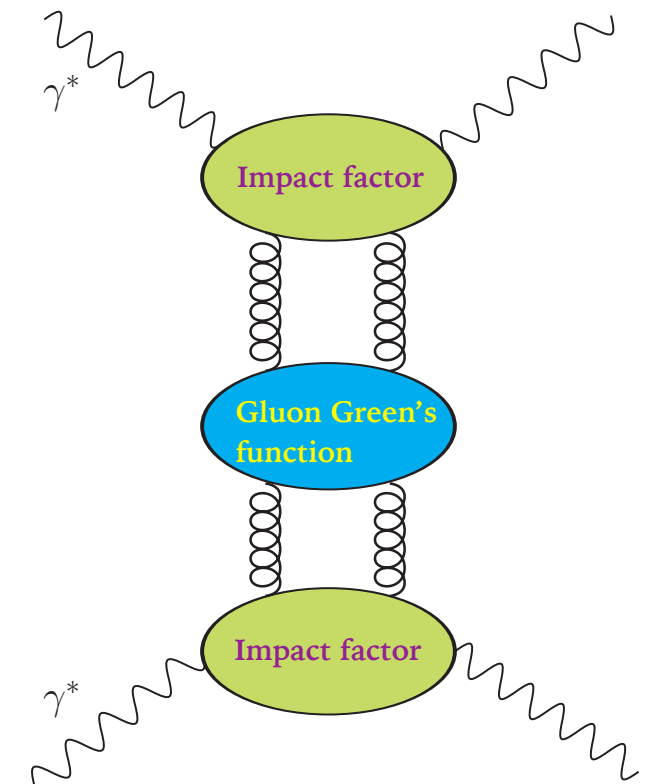
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$Q_1^2 = -q_1^2, Q_2^2 = -q_2^2$  are negative photon virtualities

$\phi^{(j,k)}$  impact factors: known up to NLO

*Balitsky, Chirilli; Beuf*

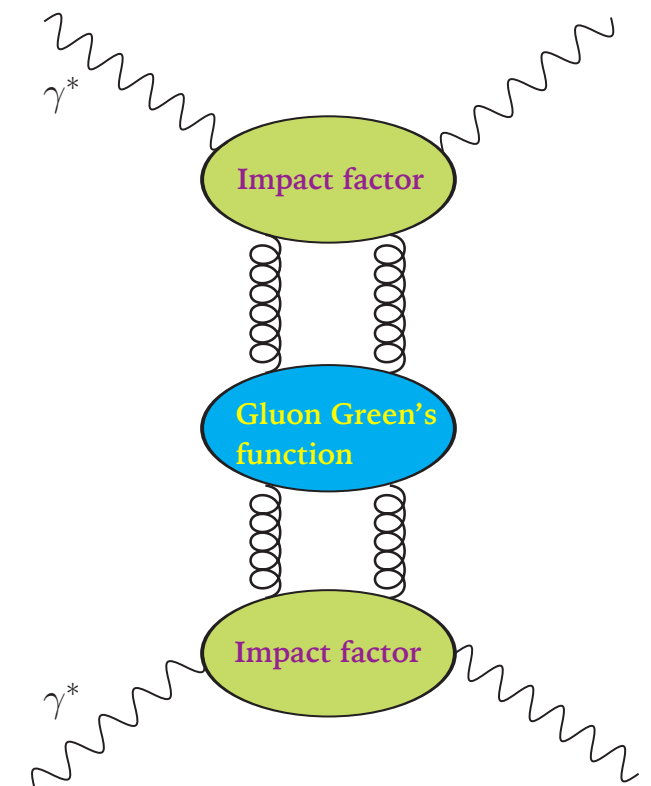
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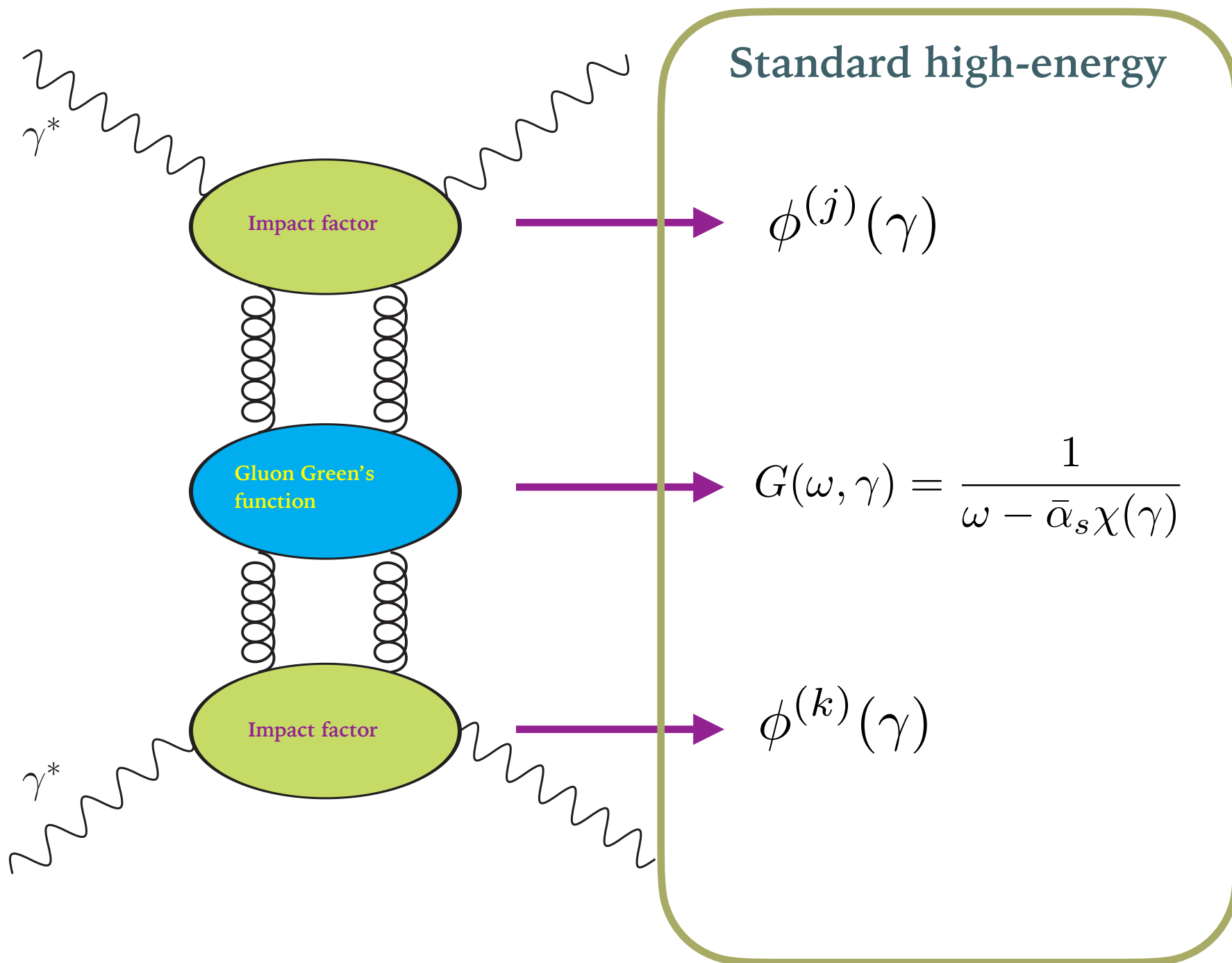
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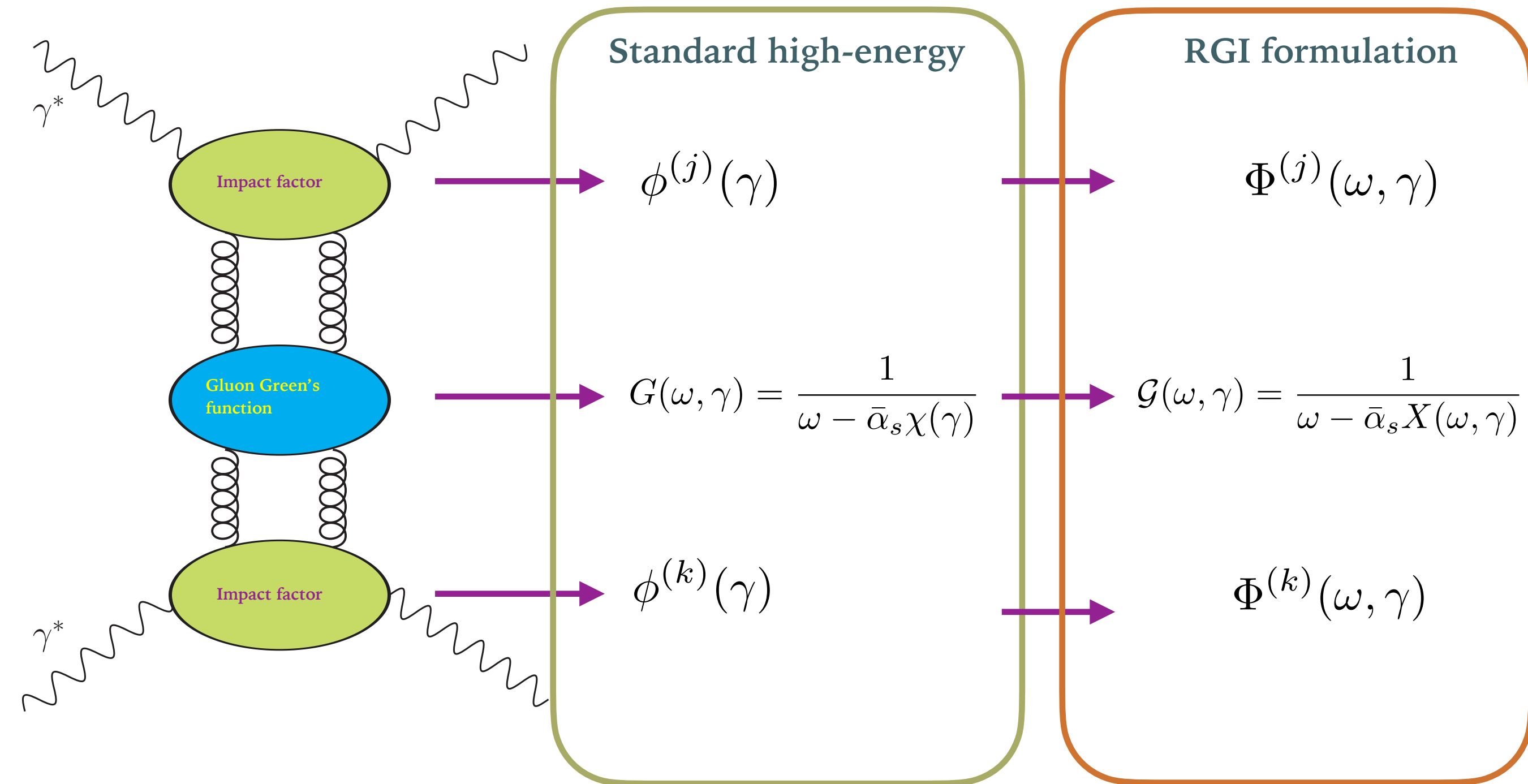
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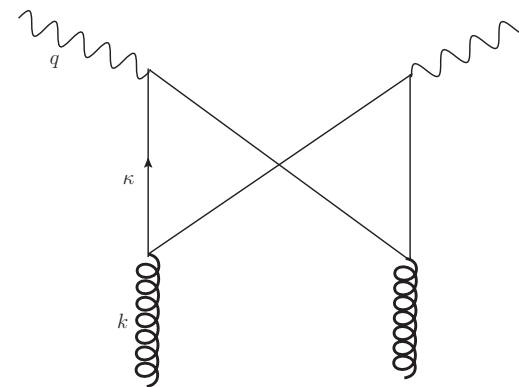
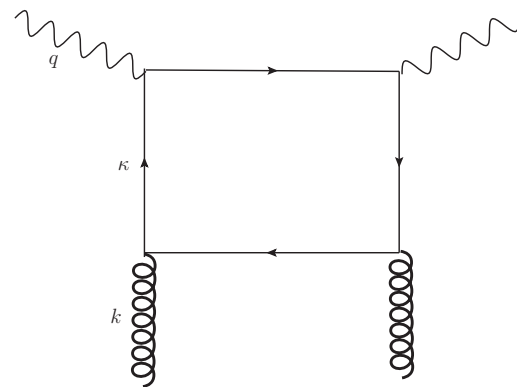
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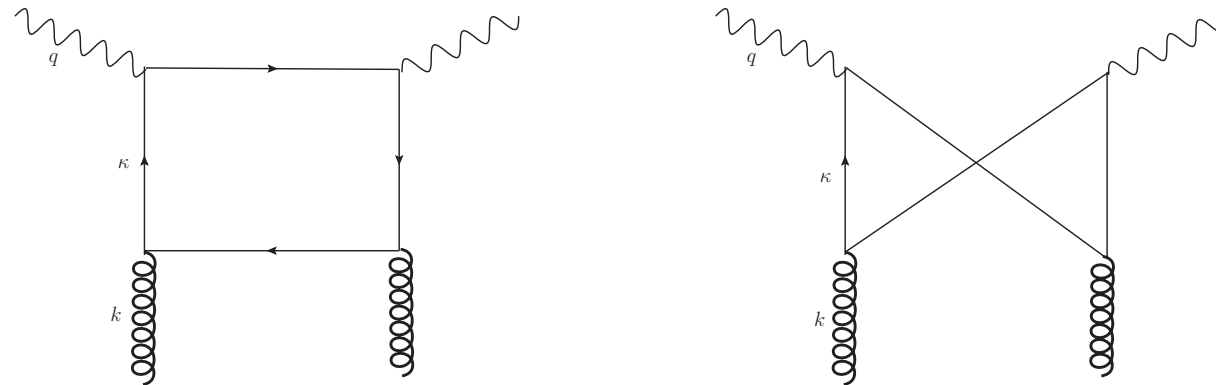


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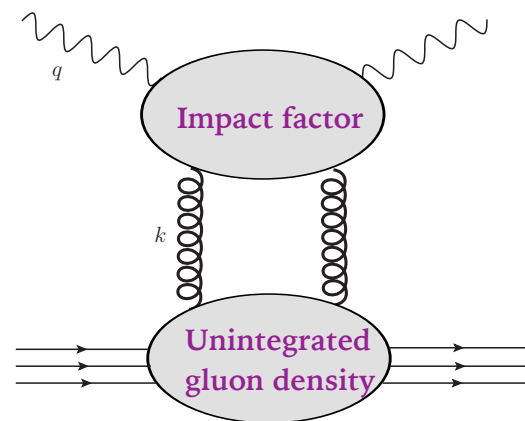
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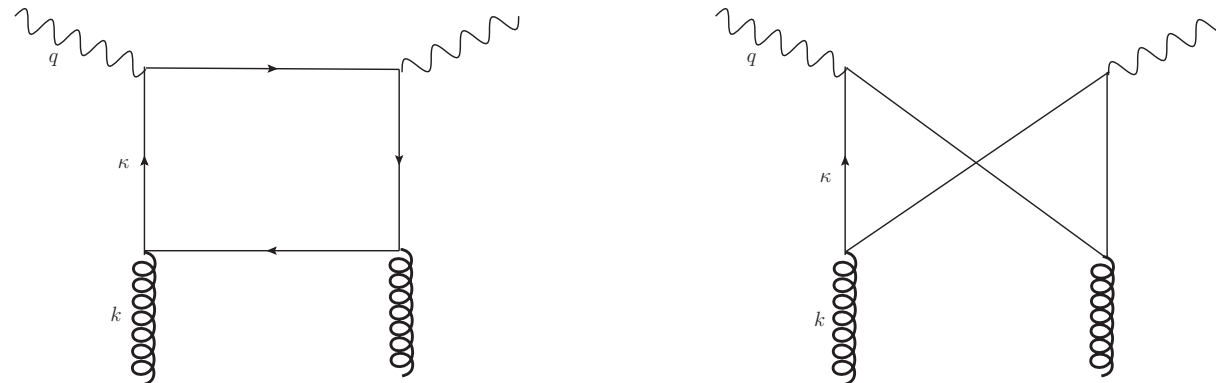
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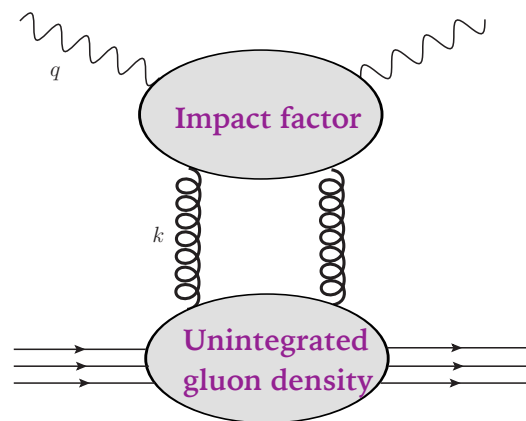
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In the high-energy limit at LO (or in dipole model) :

$$\mathbf{x}_g = x_{Bj}$$

Exact kinematics:

$$\mathbf{x}_g = x_{Bj} \left( 1 + \frac{\mathbf{k}^2}{Q^2} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\kappa}^2 + m^2}{z(1-z)Q^2} \right)$$

Askew, Kwiecinski, Martin, Sutton;  
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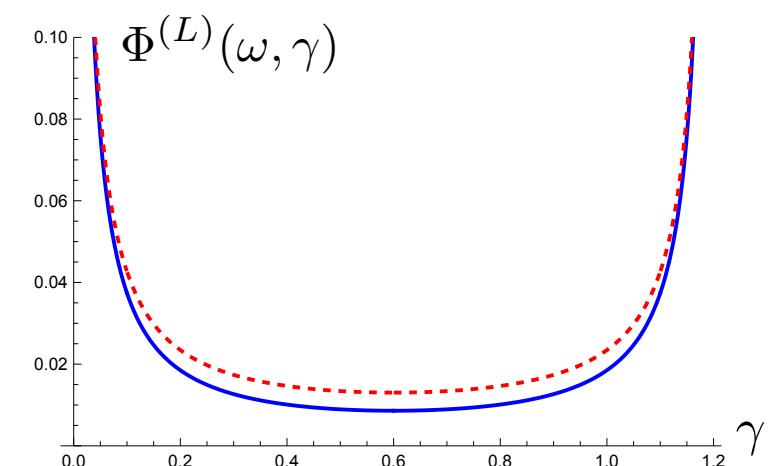
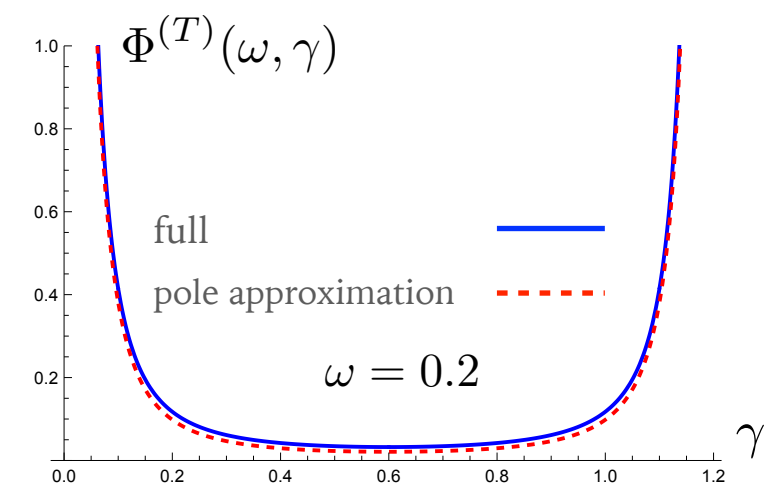
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Longitudinal

$$\Phi^{(L)}(\omega, \gamma) \sim \frac{1}{\gamma} + \frac{1}{1 - \gamma + \omega}$$

Reduce to  $\phi_0^{(T,L)}(\gamma)$  when  $\omega \rightarrow 0$

Similar  $\omega$  shifts of poles as in GGF



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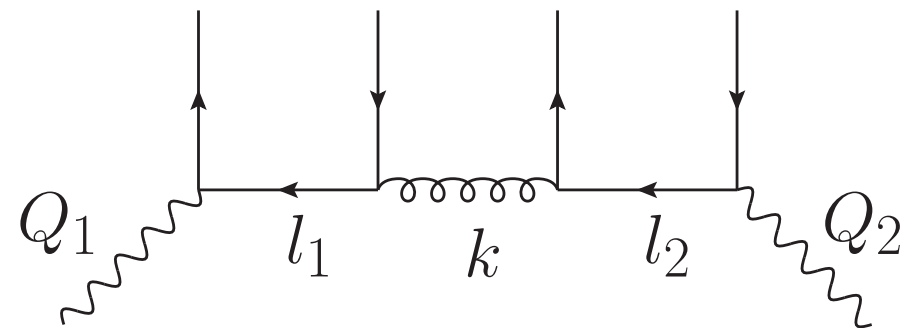
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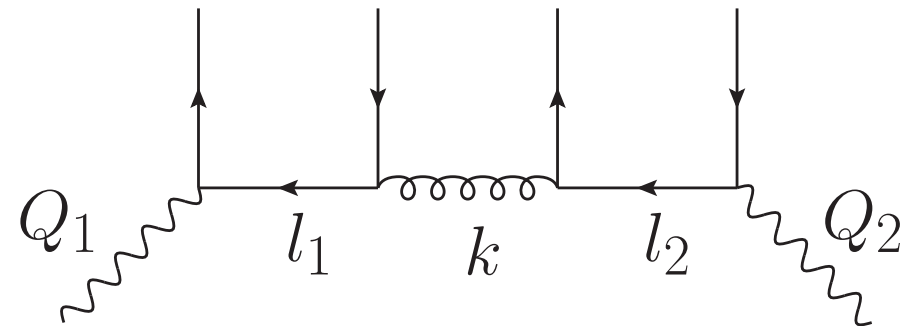
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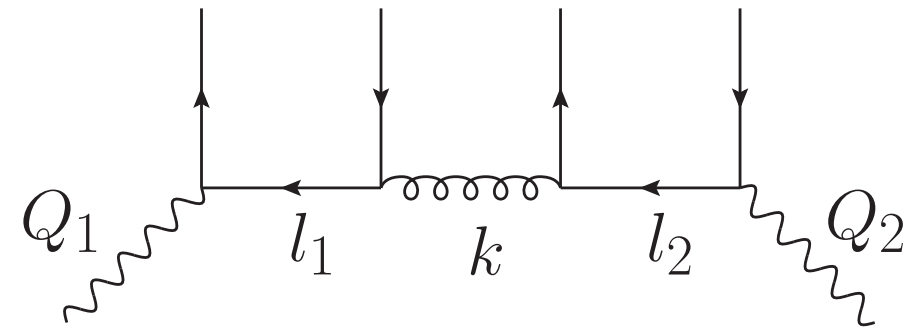
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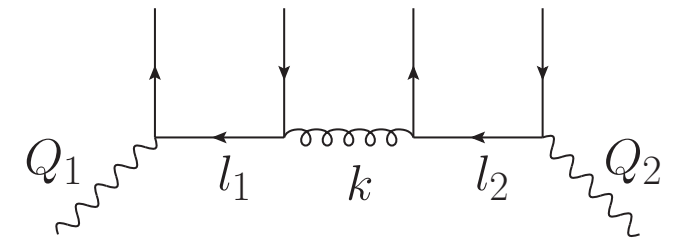
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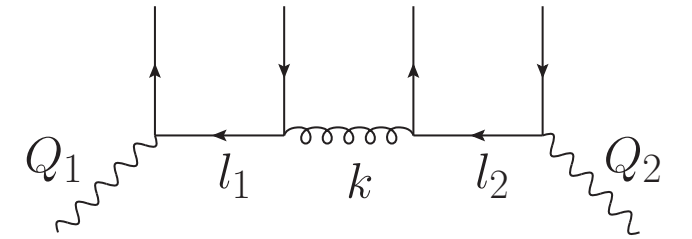


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One possibility

RGI LO transverse impact factor

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For the highest poles (quartic in transverse case) this gives:

$$\chi_0(\gamma)[\partial_\omega \Phi_0(0, \gamma) + \partial_\omega \Phi_0(0, 1-\gamma)] + \phi_0(\gamma)\partial_\omega X_0(0, \gamma) \xrightarrow{\gamma \rightarrow 0} \phi_0(\gamma) \left( -\frac{5}{2} \frac{1}{\gamma^2} \right)$$

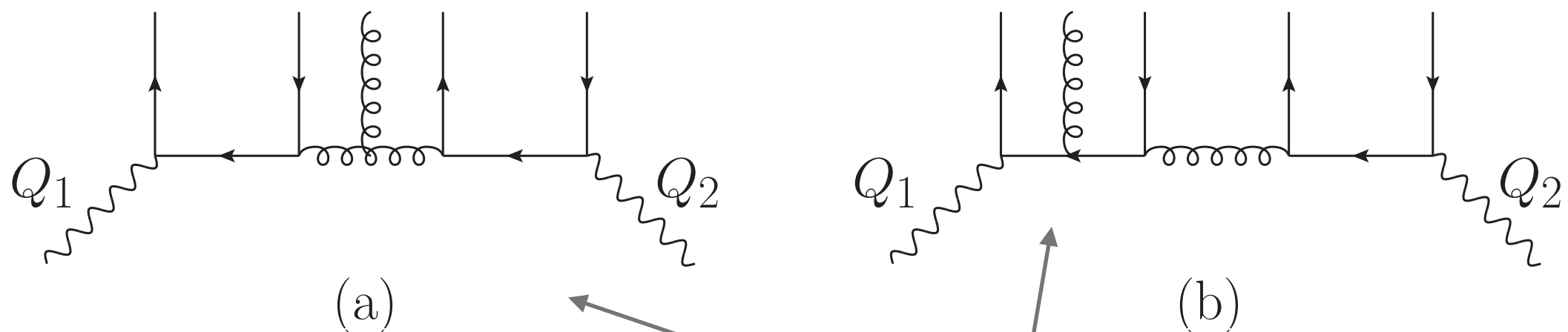
This coincides with NLO result ( by *Chirilli, Kovchegov* in the form written by *Ivanov, Murdaca, Papa*)

$$\phi_1(\gamma) + \phi_1(1-\gamma) \xrightarrow{\gamma \rightarrow 0} \phi_0(\gamma) \left( -\frac{5}{2} \frac{1}{\gamma^2} + \dots \right)$$

# Collinear analysis at NLO

2) RGI cross section agrees with the DGLAP collinear limits  $Q_1 \gg Q_2$  and  $Q_1 \ll Q_2$  at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$

This determines the structure of the impact factors at the poles at  $\gamma \sim 0$  and at  $\gamma \simeq 1 + \omega$



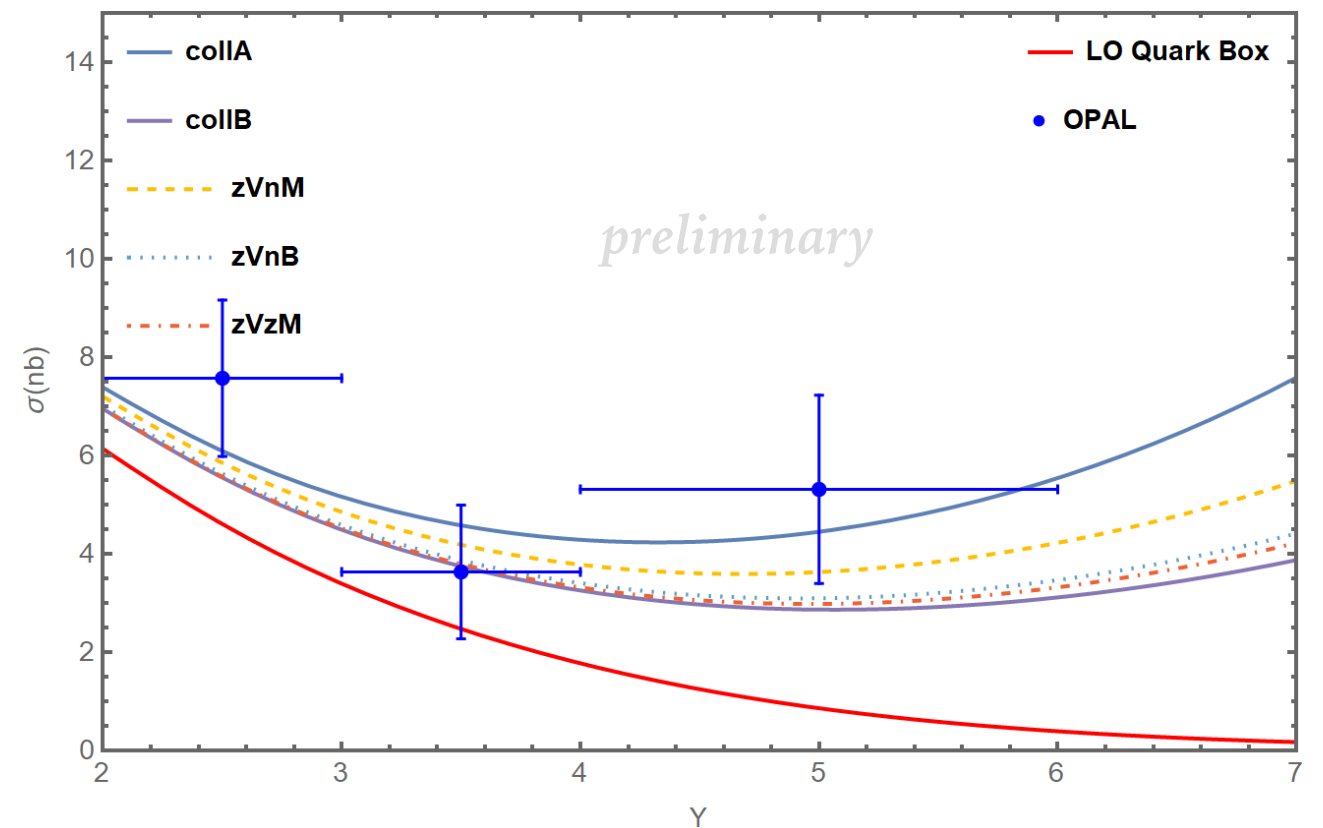
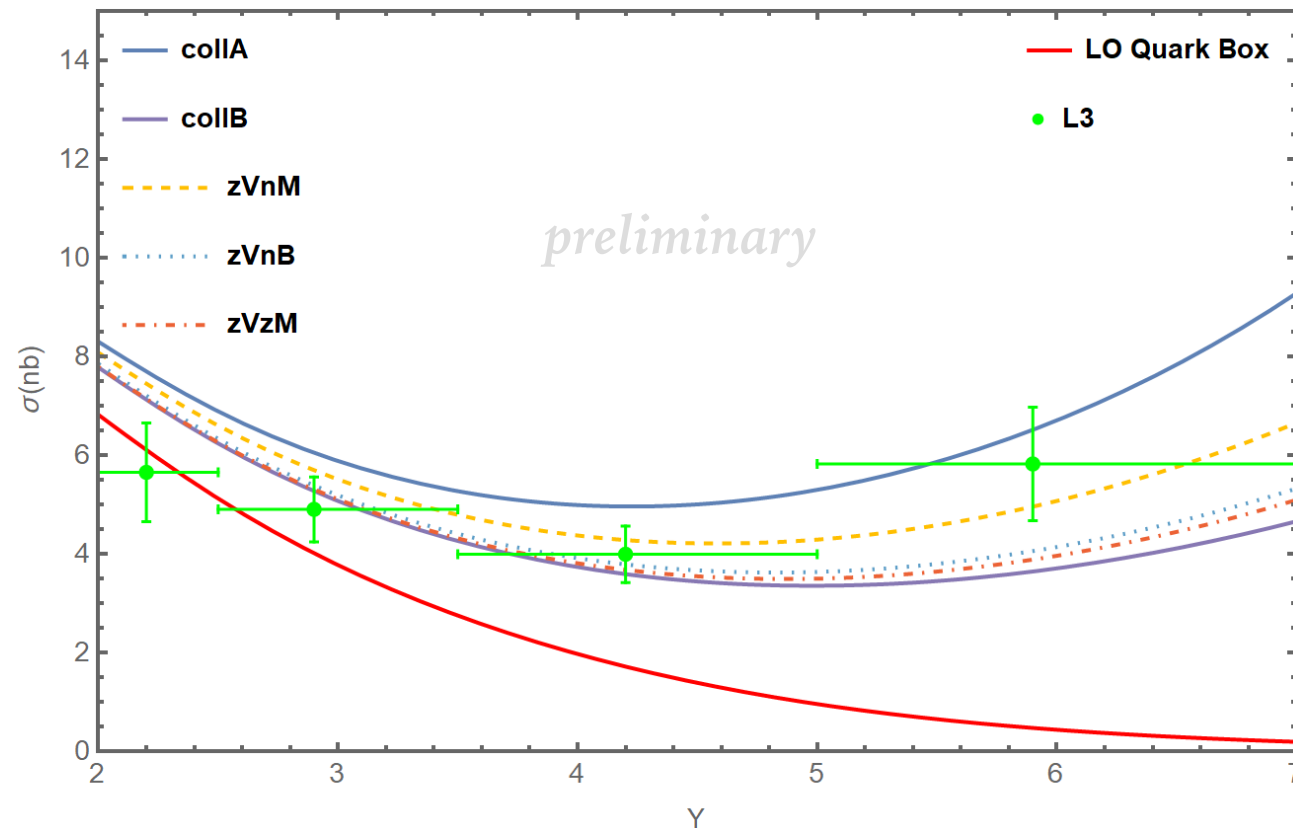
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- Can attribute it to the GGF
- Can attribute it to the impact factor
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# Results for $\gamma^*\gamma^*$ cross section

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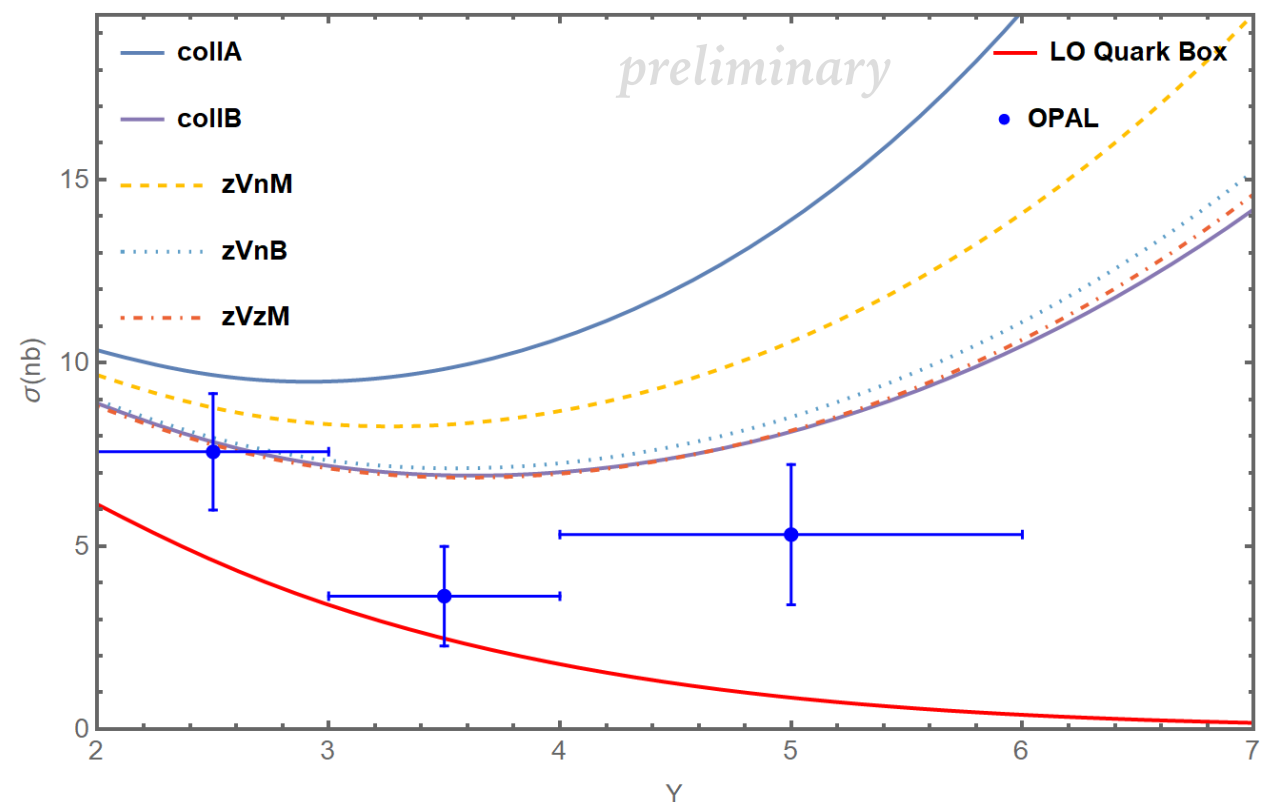
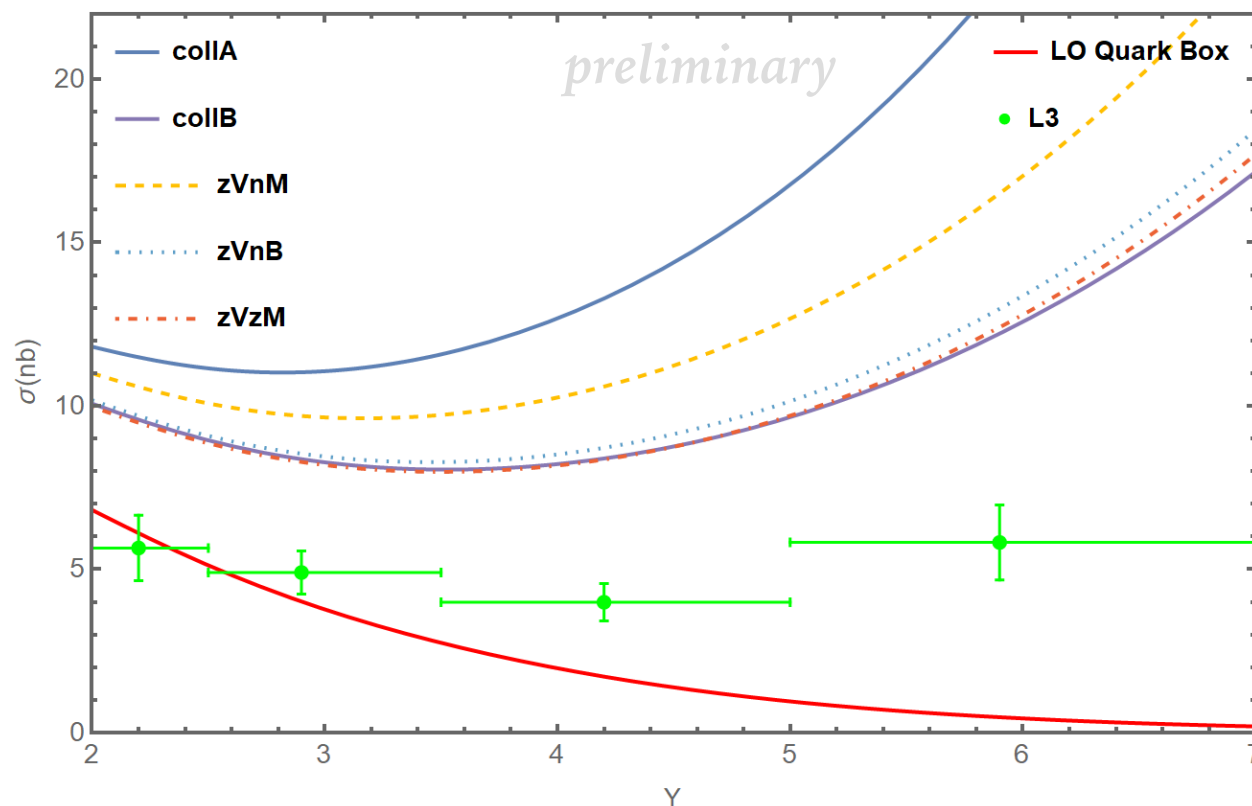
Spread in resummation models

Overall consistent with the data

But this resummed calculation is for  $n_f = 3$  light (massless) flavors...

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...for  $n_f = 4$  massless, cross section effectively multiplied by 2.78.



Calculation overshoots the data

However, charm is treated as **massless**, so not realistic

Mass effects are large in NLO massive impact factor

Need resummation with masses

NLO corrections to quark box+resummation of double logs, change little bit the result

# Conclusions

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- **Resummation** needed to for both gluon Green's function and impact factors
- Impact factors get **shift of collinear poles**, similar to GGF
- **Collinear limit** imposed to constraint the RGI impact factors
- Resummed result matches to **BFKL and DGLAP**. (consistency between BFKL and DGLAP for  $1/\gamma^4, 1/\gamma^3$  poles in transverse photon case;  $1/\gamma^3$ , longitudinal case, partially  $1/\gamma^2$  )
- Resummation gives result **consistent with LEP data**, lower than from BFKL LL and higher than BFKL NLL
- NLO and double log resummation in the **quark box** will slightly modify the result, though not large energy behavior
- **Mass effects** (charm) need to be treated separately in resummation