

Recent Developments in Nuclear Science (for EIC)

(I will use a broad definition of “recent”.
Perhaps also of “nuclear”.)

1. Nucleons in the language of partons
2. The game of translation: jets, diffraction and nuclei

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Time will only allow brief sketches of a selection of broad topics, undoubtedly missing some important ones.

1. Nucleons in the Language of Partons

What is a proton? A quantum mechanical state: $|4\text{-mtm, spin, isospin}\rangle$

- In its own terms, a nucleon is simply a stationary state of H_{QCD} , effectively “forever” (lifetime at least 10^{19} or so times the current age of the universe.)
 - But at the same time (literally), in terms of H_{QCD} a nucleon is a beehive of activity as seen by $H_{\text{Strong-EW}}$. This is the proton in the language of partons.
- This information is accessible through electroweak interactions, and is a central aim of the EIC. The method of electron-hadron collisions is “how we know”. Scattering is reinterpreted as a series of measurements.

The nucleon is the ground state of the hamiltonian of the strong interactions, with baryon number = 1 and definite spin, isospin etc. Up to 1970, H_{strong} was unknown. This milestone of 20th century physics was originally found from using:

$$- H_{\text{Nucleon}} = H_{\text{Pure Strong}} + H_{\text{Strong-EW}}$$

and assuming the locality of the hadronic EM current:

$$- H_{\text{Strong-EW}} = \mathbf{J}^{\text{had}}_{\text{EM}} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{\text{EM}}$$

with A_{EM} the photon field (eventually photons and W, Z.)

By probing nucleons through DIS :

$$- (\mathbf{J}^{\text{had}}_{\text{EM}})^{\mu} = \sum_{q=u,d,s,\dots} e_q \mathbf{q} \gamma^{\mu} \mathbf{q}$$

(with charges e_q that miraculously matched those of quark model.)

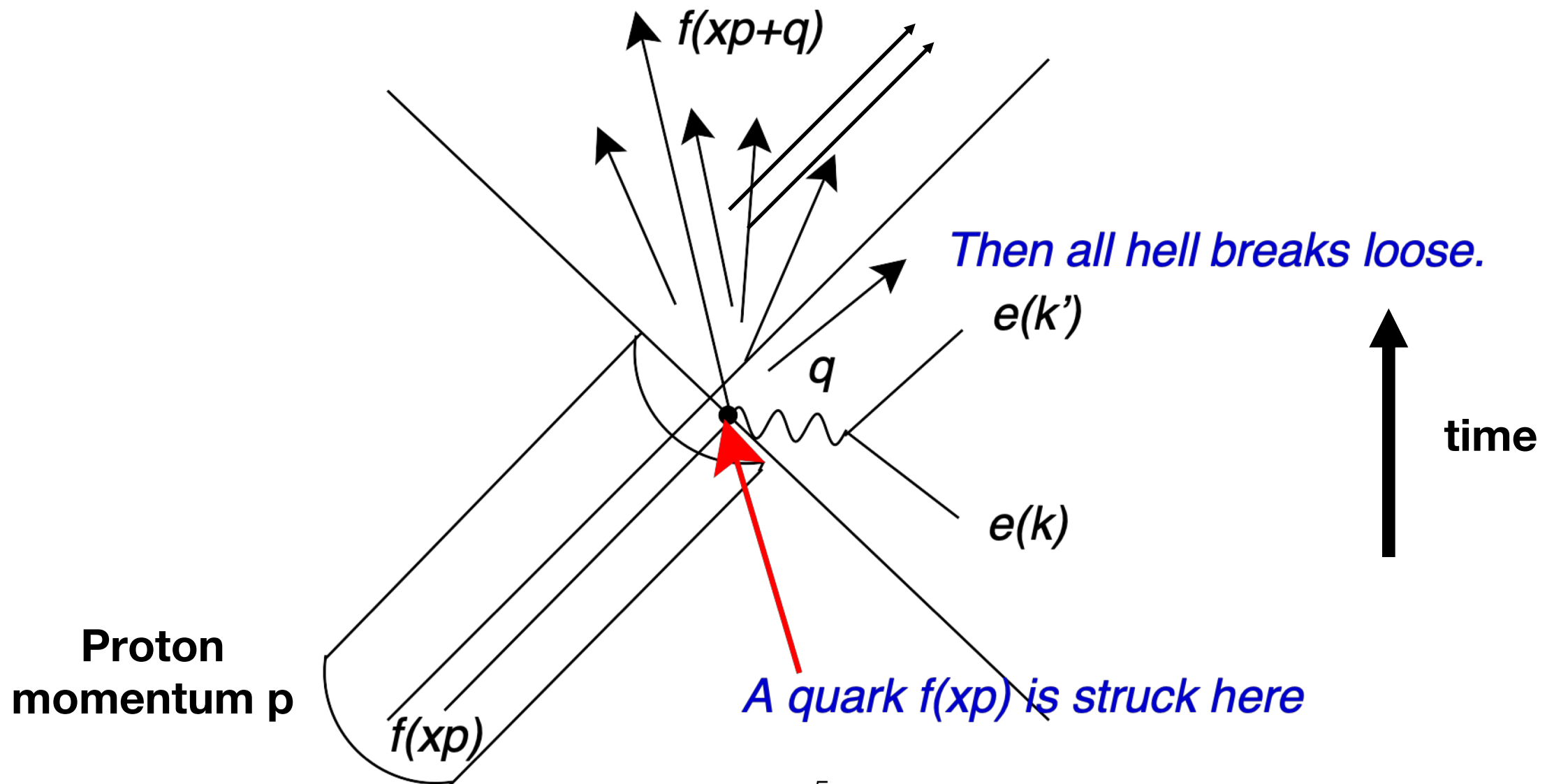
How was this done?

(Recalling the method leads us to contemporary developments)

Through the magic of Inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering

Picturing a typical “deep inelastic” ep event, in the usual variables

Sum over ALL states
at fixed Q^2 and $x=Q^2/2p \cdot q$



Because of the sum over states

Unitarity in quantum mechanics gives

factorized DIS in terms of pdfs

$$\frac{d\sigma^{(lh)}}{dx dy} = N^{lV} \left[\frac{y^2}{2} 2xF_1^{(Vh)} + \left[1 - y - \frac{m_h xy}{2E} \right] F_2^{(Vh)} + \delta_V \left[y - \frac{y^2}{2} \right] xF_3^{(Vh)} \right],$$

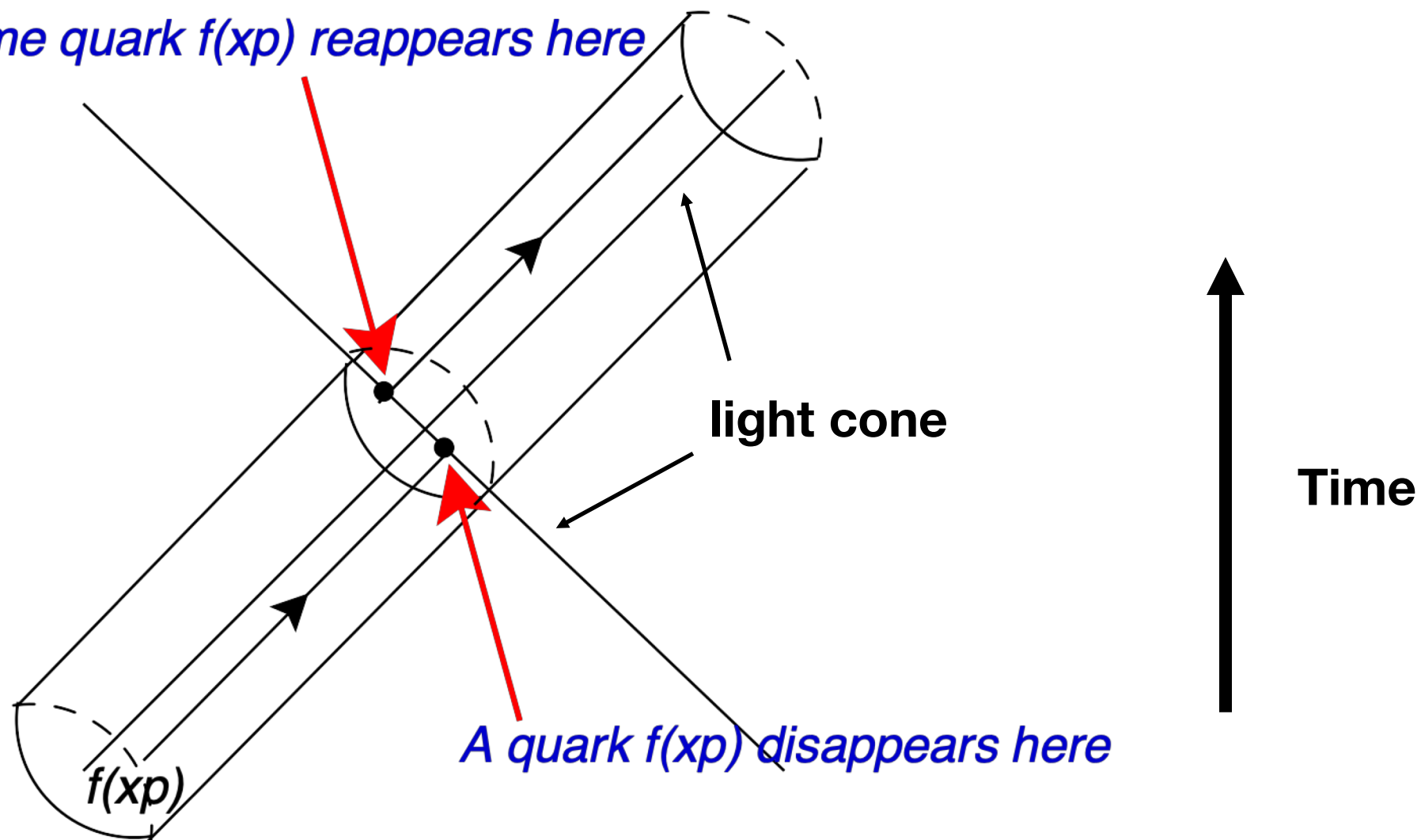
$$F_i(x, Q^2) = \sum_a \int_x^1 d\xi C_{i,a} \left(\frac{\xi}{x}, \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} \right) f_a(\xi, \mu)$$

Parton distribution as a matrix element for two measurements:

$$f_q(\xi) = \int d\lambda e^{-i\lambda\xi p^+} \langle p | \bar{q}_\beta(\lambda n^\mu) \gamma_{\beta\alpha}^+ q_\alpha(0) | p \rangle$$

The same proton in the future.

The same quark $f(xp)$ reappears here



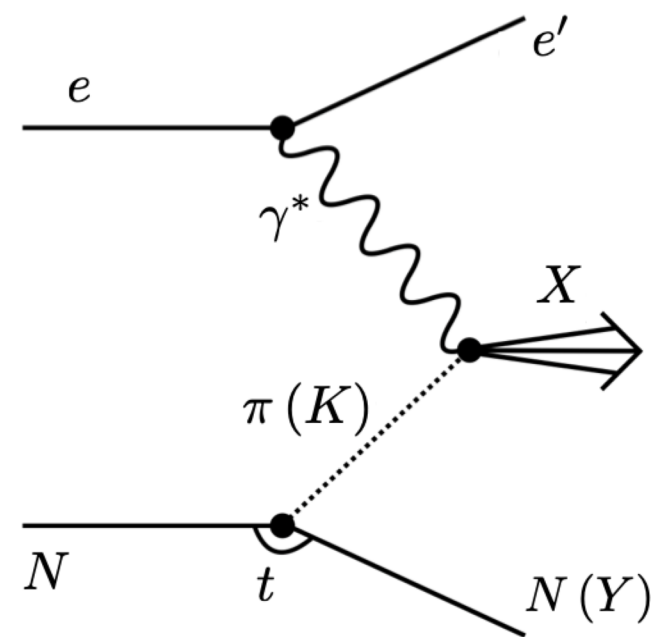
A proton in the past.

And also . . .

Because the proton is surrounded by virtual mesons, it can be used as a source of mesons.

Parton Structure of Mesons

$$e + p \rightarrow e' + X + (N \text{ or } Y)$$



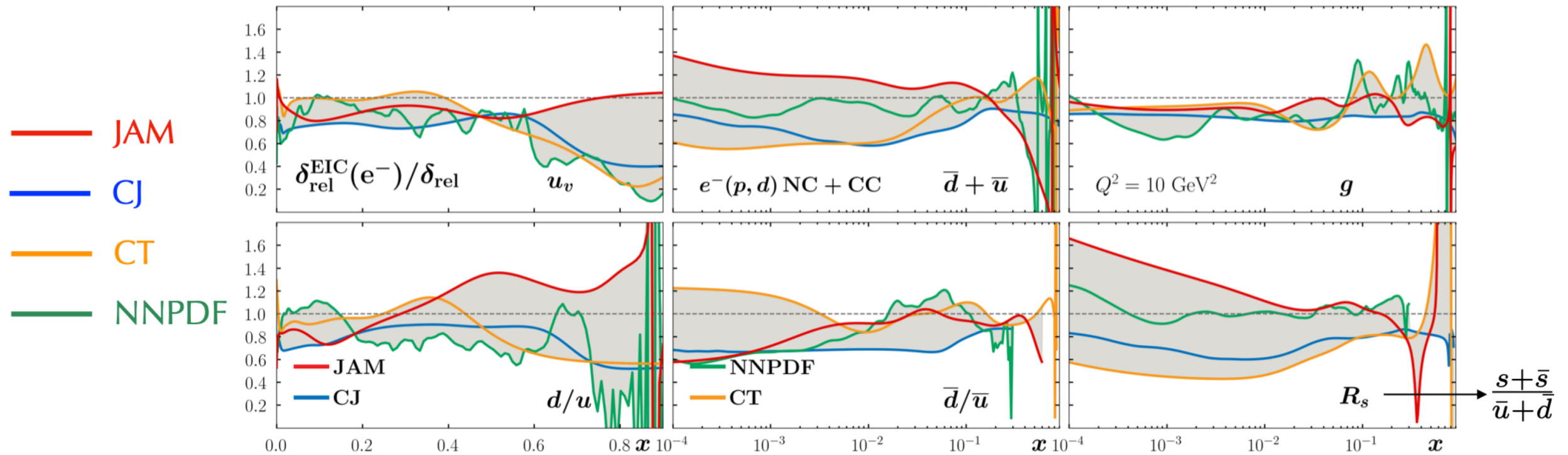
Tagged inclusive reaction dominated by the Sullivan process at low $-t$:
 $-t < 0.6 \text{ GeV}^2$ (pion exchange); $-t < 0.9 \text{ GeV}^2$ (kaon exchange)

(fig. BP)

The kind of improvements we might expect . . .

Flavor separation of $x f(x)$

relative uncertainties after EIC / relative uncertainties pre EIC (only e-p data sets)



e⁻ p: $\sqrt{s} = 28.6, 44.7, 63.3, 140.7$ GeV for NC and 140.7 for CC; proton beam $\mathcal{L}=100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

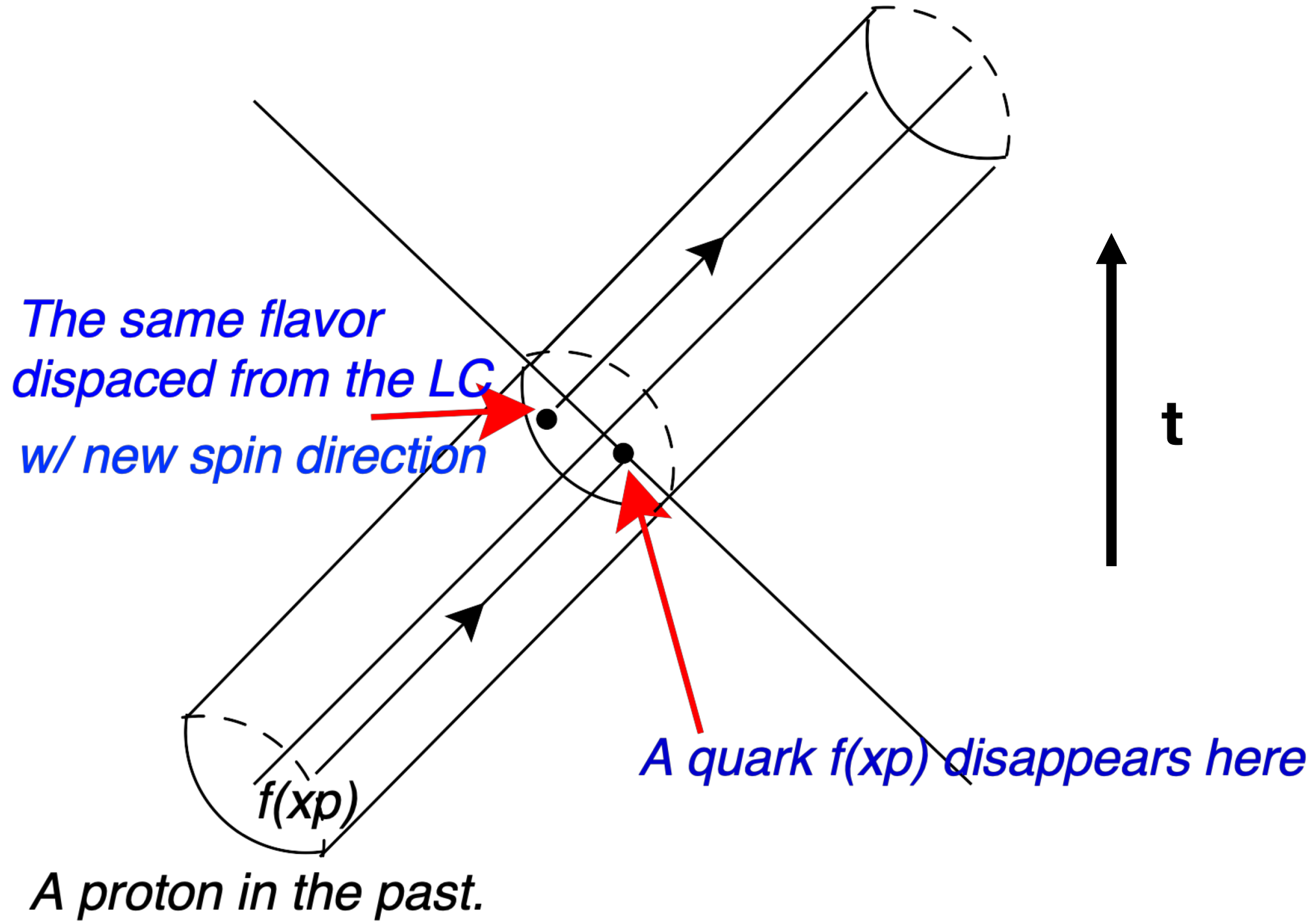
e⁻ d: $\sqrt{s} = 28.6, 63.3, 89.0$ GeV for NC only ; deuteron beam $\mathcal{L}=10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Strong impact (80%) on the valence sector and d/u ratio at large x

Good impact (50%) on the sea sector at low x (slide: BP)

There are many more measurements for EIC to make on the nucleon state: polarized PDFs & factorizing TMDs with spin

The same proton in the future.



A window to gluon contributions to nucleon spin

Spin structure of the proton and neutron

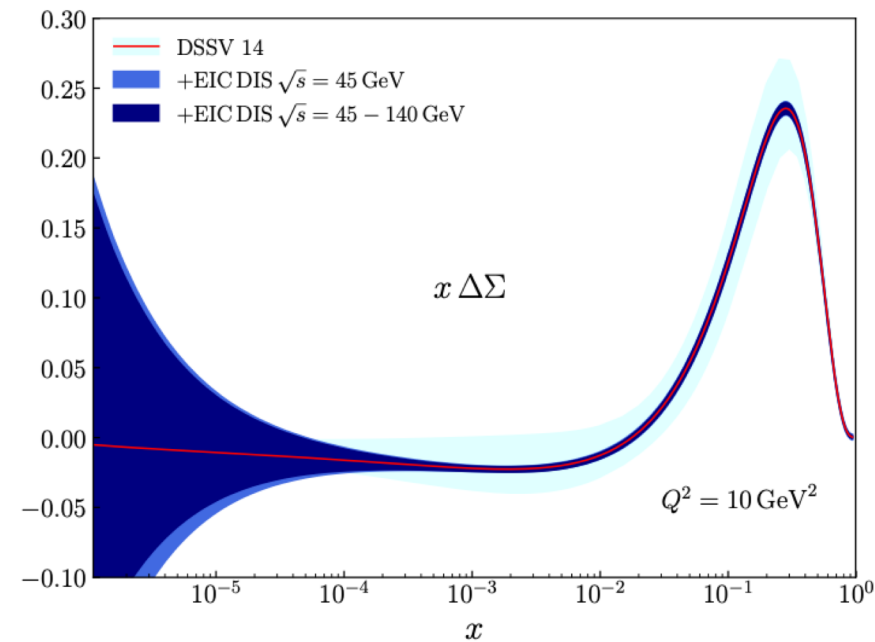
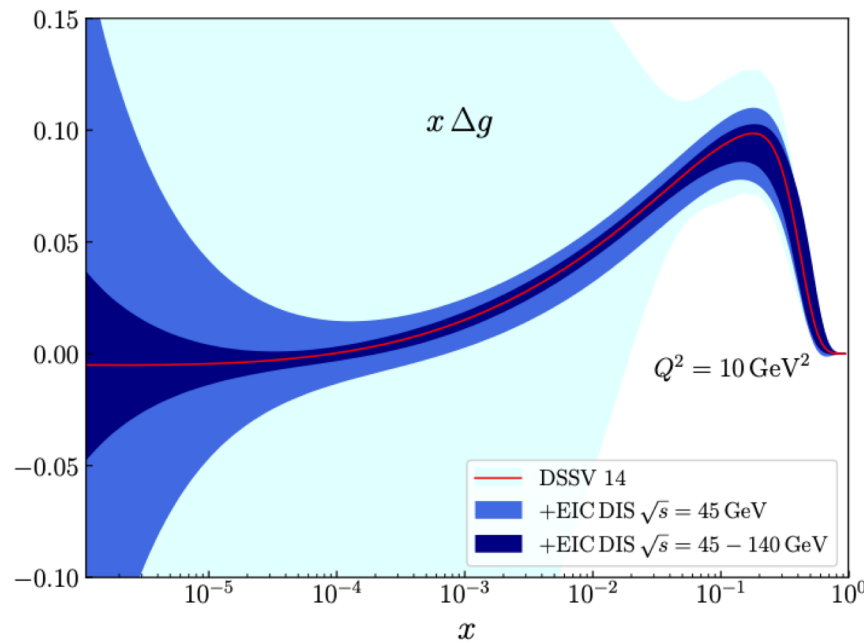
Present kinematical coverage $x \gtrsim 0.01$

At EIC $x \sim 10^{-4}$

At low x : $\partial g_1(x, Q^2)/\partial \ln Q^2 \approx -\Delta g(x, Q^2)$

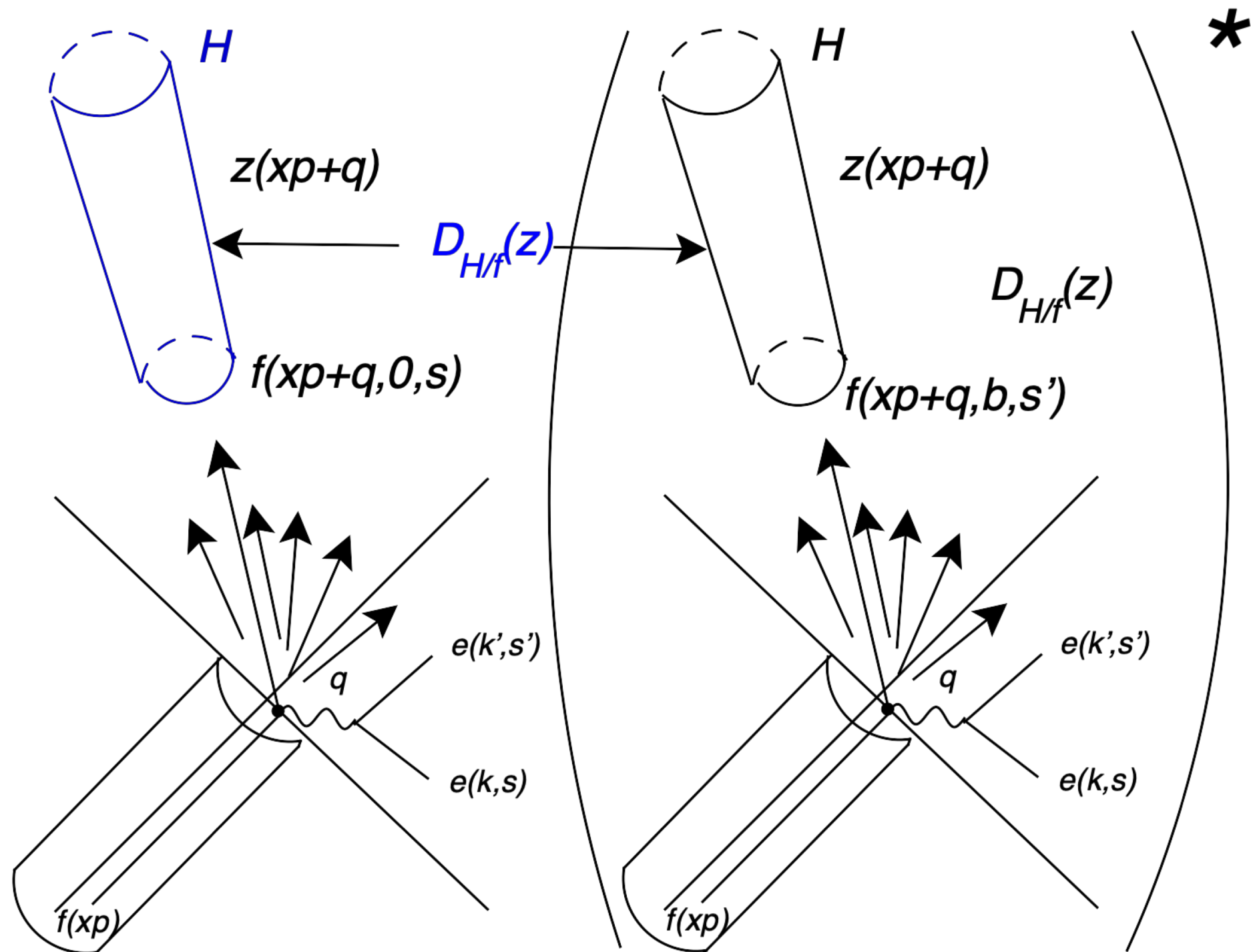
Inclusive $A_{LL} - \int L dt = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

baseline DSSV14



(Slide: BP)

These are accessible through single inclusive DIS,
with factorizing fragmentation functions D :



TMD PDFs from SIDIS

N \ q	U	L	T
U	f_1		h_1^\perp
L		g_1	h_{1L}^\perp
T	f_{1T}^\perp	g_{1T}	h_1^\perp, h_{1T}^\perp

$$d^6\sigma = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2 sx}{Q^4} \times$$

$$\{ [1 + (1-y)^2] \sum e_q^2 f_1^q(x) D_1^q(z, P_{h\perp}^2) + (1-y) \frac{P_{h\perp}^2}{4z^2 M_N M_h} \cos(2\phi_h^l) \sum_{q,\bar{q}} e_q^2 h_1^{\perp(1)q}(x) H_1^{\perp q}(z, P_{h\perp}^2) - |S_L| (1-y) \frac{P_{h\perp}^2}{4z^2 M_N M_h} \sin(2\phi_h^l) \sum_{q,\bar{q}} e_q^2 h_{1L}^{\perp(1)q}(x) H_1^{\perp q}(z, P_{h\perp}^2) + |S_T| (1-y) \frac{P_{h\perp}}{zM_h} \sin(\phi_h^l + \phi_S^l) \sum_{q,\bar{q}} e_q^2 h_1^q(x) H_1^{\perp q}(z, P_{h\perp}^2) + |S_T| (1-y + \frac{1}{2}y^2) \frac{P_{h\perp}}{zM_N} \sin(\phi_h^l - \phi_S^l) \sum_{q,\bar{q}} e_q^2 f_{1T}^{\perp(1)q}(x) D_1^q(z, P_{h\perp}^2) + |S_T| (1-y) \frac{P_{h\perp}^3}{6z^3 M_N^2 M_h} \sin(3\phi_h^l - \phi_S^l) \sum_{q,\bar{q}} e_q^2 h_{1T}^{\perp(2)q}(x) H_1^{\perp q}(z, P_{h\perp}^2) + \lambda_e |S_L| y (1 - \frac{1}{2}y) \sum_{q,\bar{q}} e_q^2 g_1^q(x) D_1^q(z, P_{h\perp}^2) + \lambda_e |S_T| y (1 - \frac{1}{2}y) \frac{P_{h\perp}}{zM_N} \cos(\phi_h^l - \phi_S^l) \sum_{q,\bar{q}} e_q^2 g_{1T}^{\perp(1)q}(x) D_1^q(z, P_{h\perp}^2) \}$$

Unpolarized

Polarized target

Polarized beam and target

Boer-Mulders $h_1^\perp = \text{circle with dot} - \text{circle with dot}$

Worm Gear $h_{1L}^\perp = \text{circle with dot and arrow} - \text{circle with dot and arrow}$

Transversity $h_{1T}^\perp = \text{circle with dot and arrow} - \text{circle with dot and arrow}$

Sivers $f_{1T}^\perp = \text{circle with dot and arrow} - \text{circle with dot and arrow}$

Pretzelosity $h_{1T}^\perp = \text{circle with dot and arrow} - \text{circle with dot and arrow}$

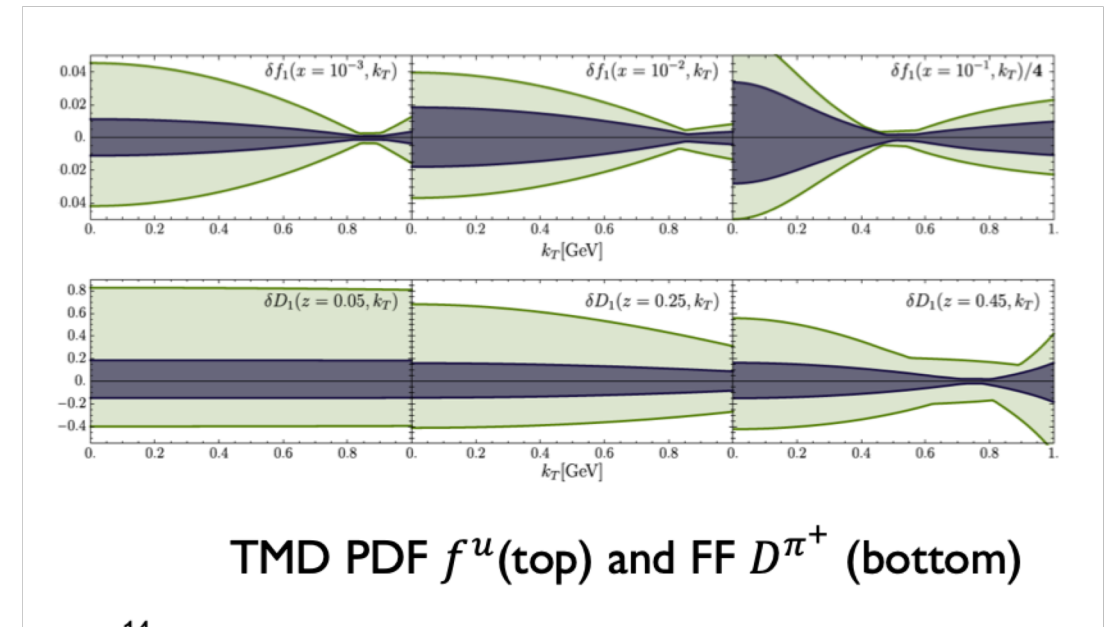
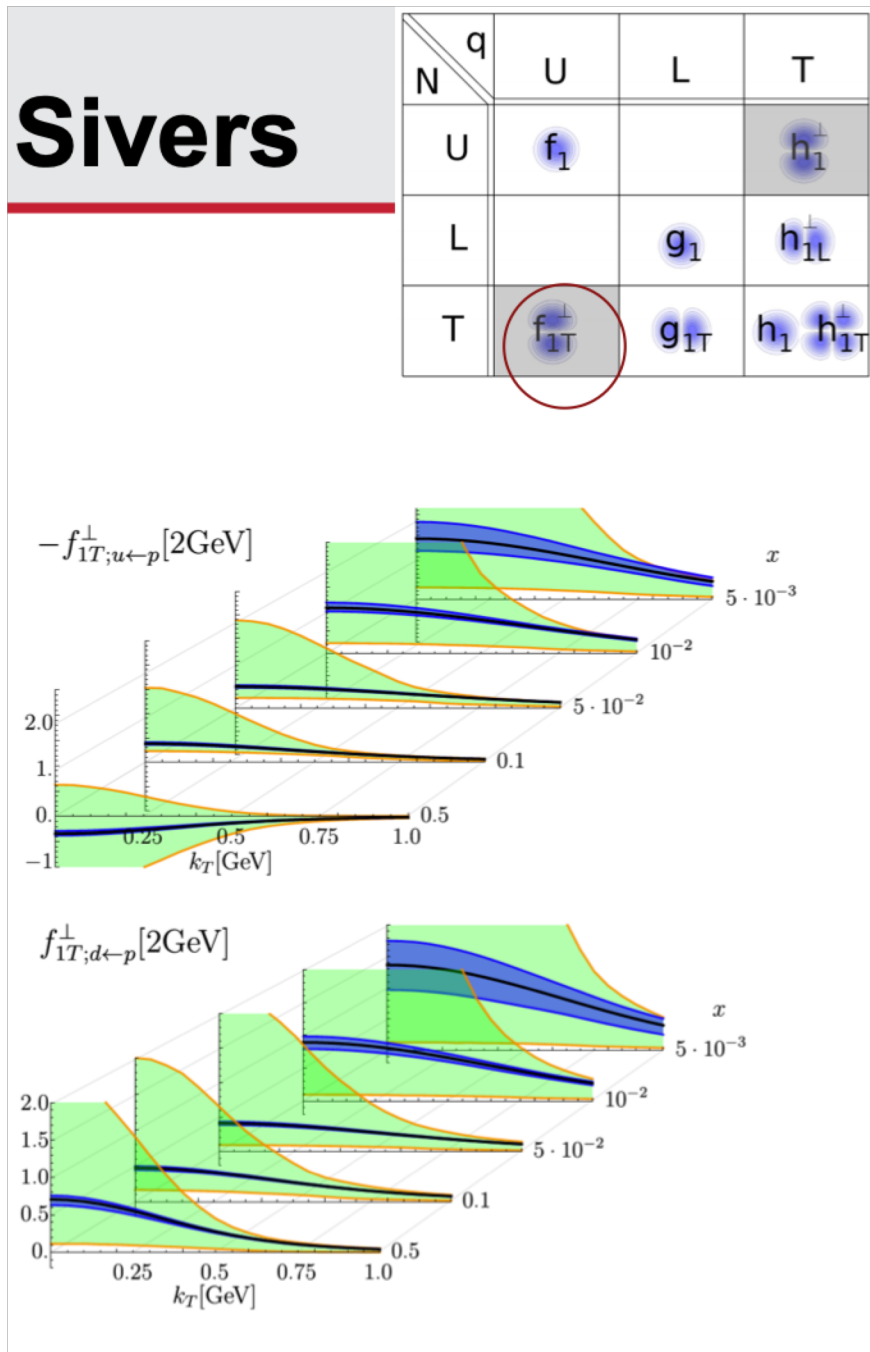
$g_{1L} = \text{circle with dot and arrow} - \text{circle with dot and arrow}$

Worm Gear $g_{1T} = \text{circle with dot and arrow} - \text{circle with dot and arrow}$

S_L and S_T : Target Polarizations; λ_e : Beam Polarization
 x : momentum fraction carried by struck quark, z : fractional energy of hadron

(Fig. AV)

Projected improvements, with and without spin.



(Figs: AV)

**What can be done with developing theory:
the Sivers function at N³LO**
Bury, Produkin, Vladimirov 2012.11125

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{PS}} = \sigma_0 \left\{ F_{UU,T} + |S_{\perp}| \sin(\phi_h - \phi_S) F_{UT,T}^{\sin(\phi_h - \phi_S)} \right\}$$

$$A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_h - \phi_S)} \equiv \frac{F_{UT,T}^{\sin(\phi_h - \phi_S)}}{F_{UU,T}} = -M \frac{\mathcal{B}_1^{\text{SIDIS}} [f_{1T}^{\perp} D_1]}{\mathcal{B}_0^{\text{SIDIS}} [f_1 D_1]}$$

where M is the mass of the nucleon h_1 , and

$$\mathcal{B}_n^{\text{SIDIS}} [f D] \equiv \sum_q e_q^2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{b db}{2\pi} b^n J_n \left(\frac{b |P_{hT}|}{z} \right) \times f_{q \leftarrow h_1}(x, b; \mu, \zeta_1) D_{q \rightarrow h_2}(z, b; \mu, \zeta_2)$$

$$f_{1T,q \leftarrow h}^{\perp}(x, b; \mu, \zeta) = \left(\frac{\zeta}{\zeta_{\mu}(b)} \right)^{-\mathcal{D}(b, \mu)} f_{1T,q \leftarrow h}^{\perp}(x, b)$$

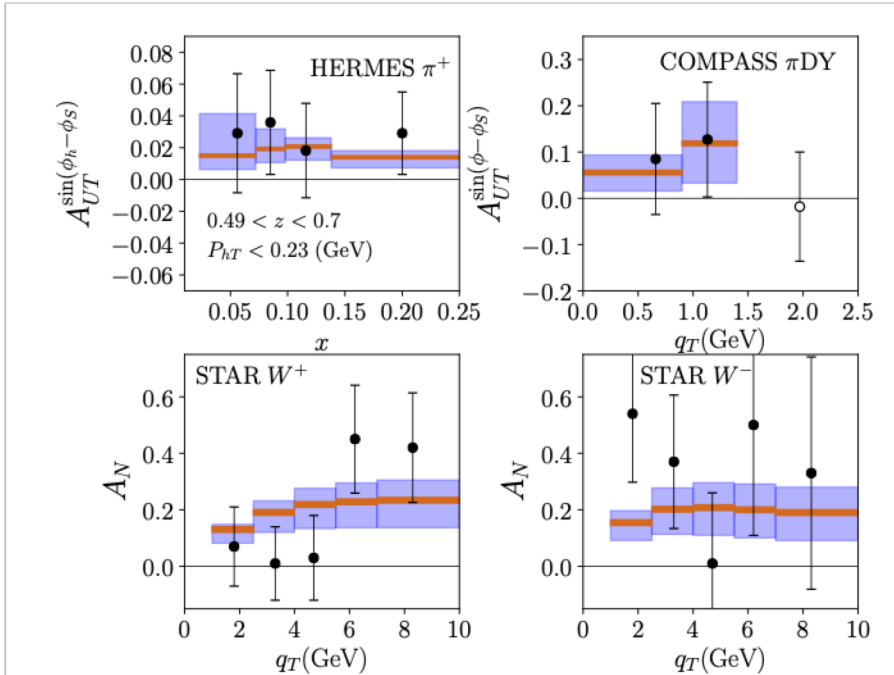
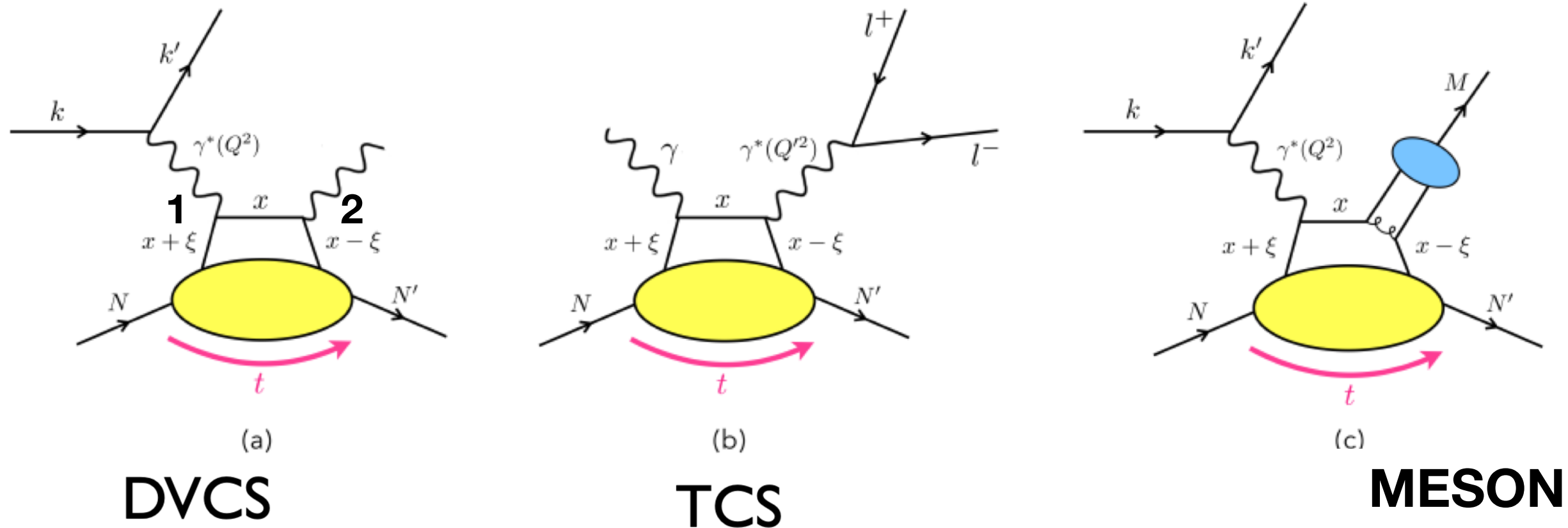


FIG. 1. Examples of data description of SIDIS+DY N³LO fit for HERMES SIDIS [60], COMPASS pion-induced DY [48] and STAR W^{\pm}/Z data [49]. Open symbols: data not used in the fit. Orange line is the CF and the blue box is 68%CI.



What's going on.

IF the quark propagates between 1 and 2 without disturbing other partons: “factorization”

IN THIS CASE, we have universal generalized PDFs in convolution with perturbative quark Compton scattering

**The target can be a light nucleus, for example.
(Funcini, Rinaldi, Scopetta, 2010.12212)**

**More measurements are available directly from exclusive processes,
without the intermediation of unitarity.
Generalized parton distributions.**

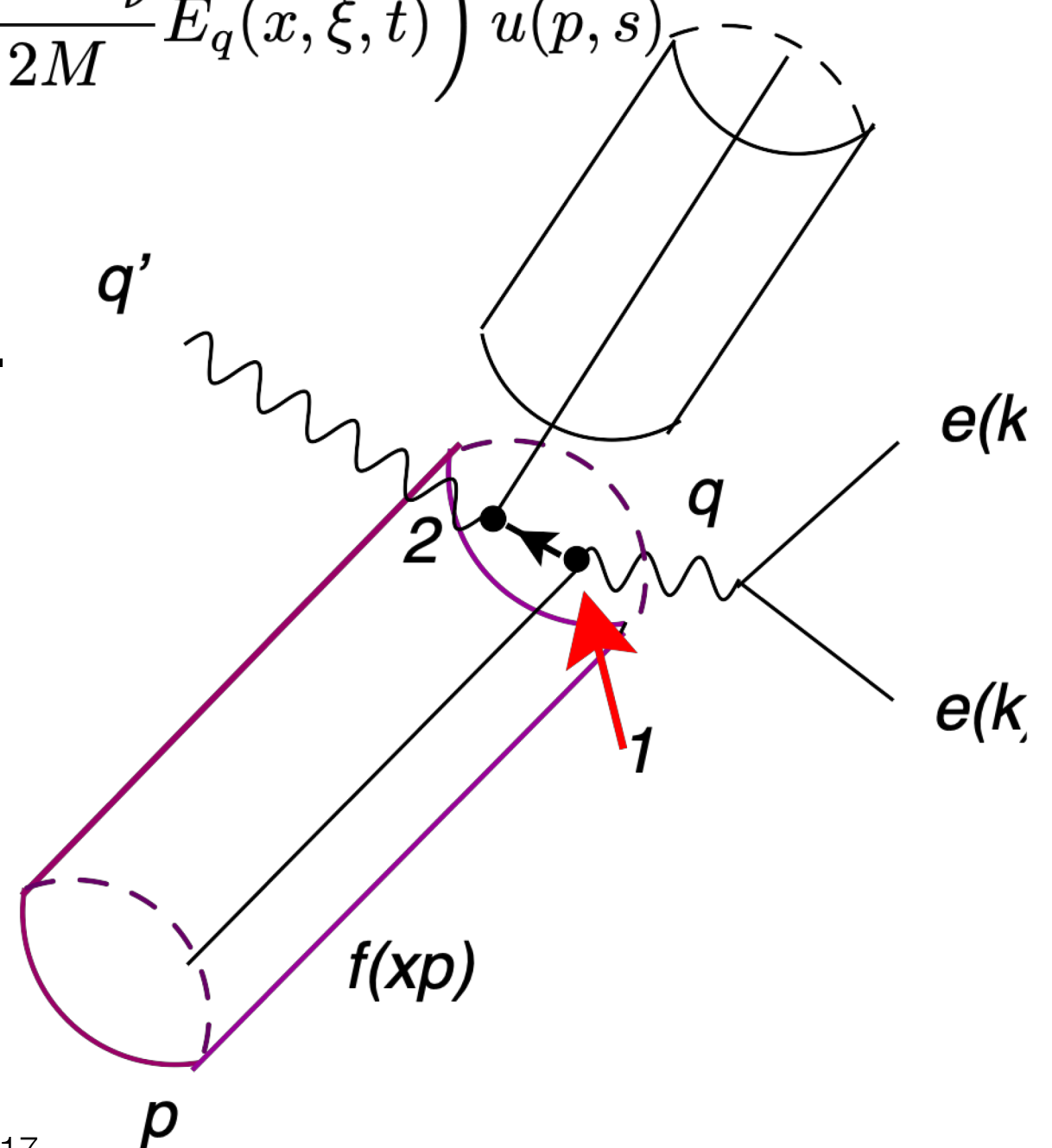
$$\int \frac{dx^-}{4\pi} \langle P', S' | \bar{q}(-\frac{x^-}{2}, \mathbf{0}_\perp) \gamma^+ q(\frac{x^-}{2}, \mathbf{0}_\perp) | P, S \rangle e^{ix\bar{p}^+ x^-}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\bar{p}^+} \bar{u}(p', s') \left(\gamma^+ H_q(x, \xi, t) + i \frac{\sigma^{+\nu} \Delta_\nu}{2M} E_q(x, \xi, t) \right) u(p, s)$$

Proton p emerges

$p + q -$

**At (1) a quark absorbs photon q.
It travels to point 2 and emits
photon q' (DVCS). If the
travel is (almost) free
the amplitude factorizes.**

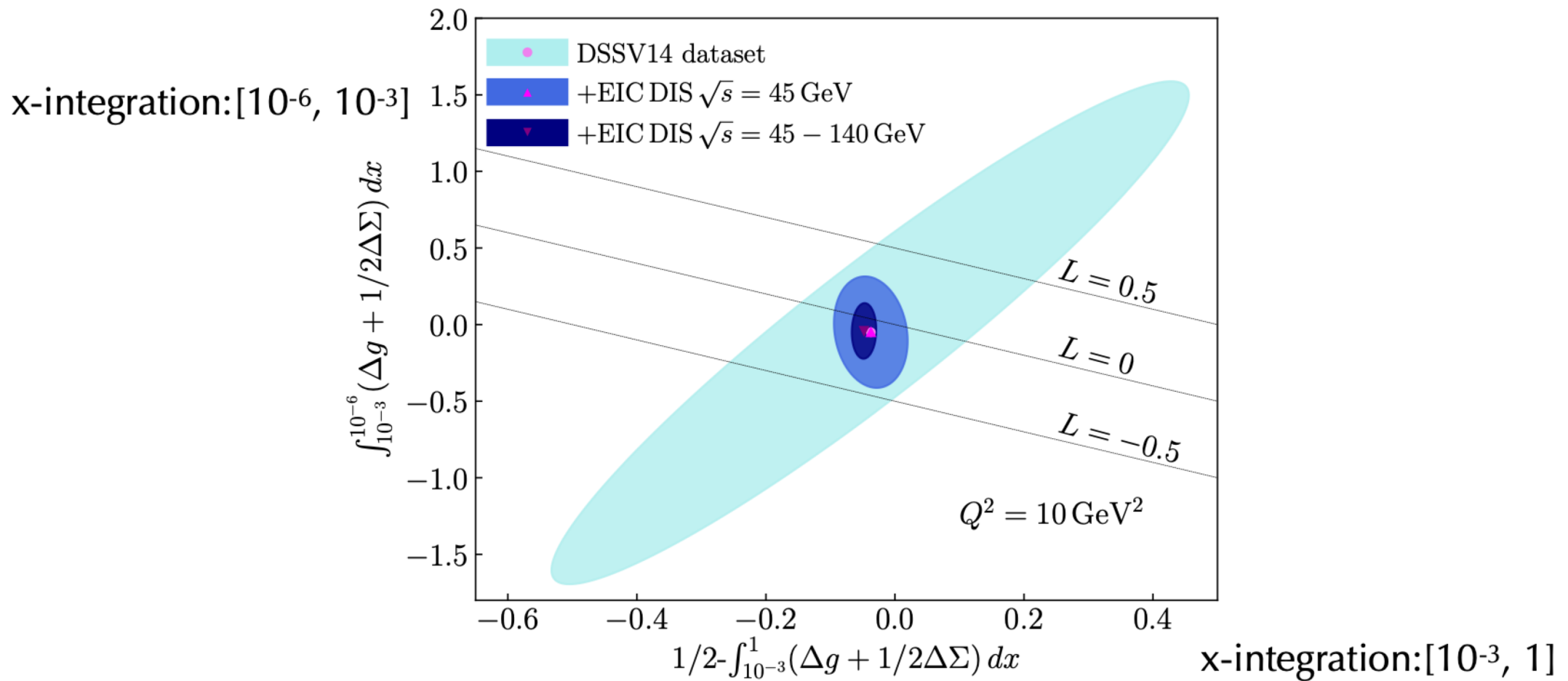


**Proton p enters
the process**

This is famously the window into orbital angular momentum.

Orbital angular momentum contribution to nucleon spin

Spin Sum Rule: $\frac{1}{2} = \int_{-1}^1 dx (\Delta g + \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma) + L$



$$L = L^Q + L^G$$

(Fig. BP)

2. The game of translation: jets, diffraction. and propagation in nuclei

The scattered quark is a parton. How do hadrons emerge in this and other QCD processes?

- At high energy, a jet of hadrons emerges in the direction of the quark.**
- The EIC variable energy opens unprecedented opportunity to study this process.**

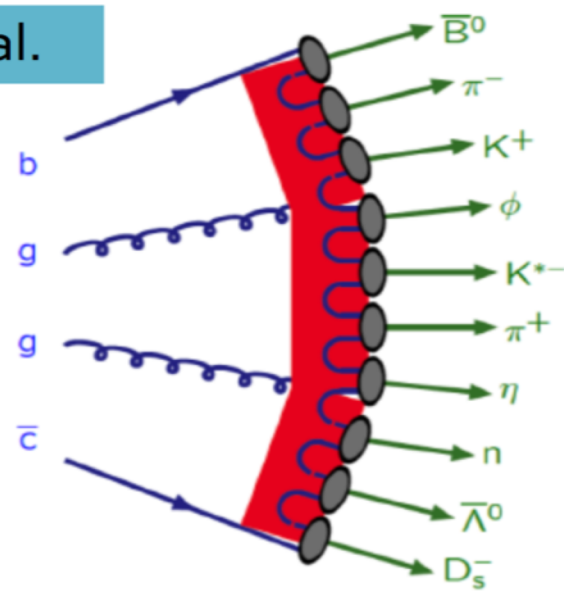
High statistics can make possible the clarification of hadronization/fragmentation

Hadronization in event generators

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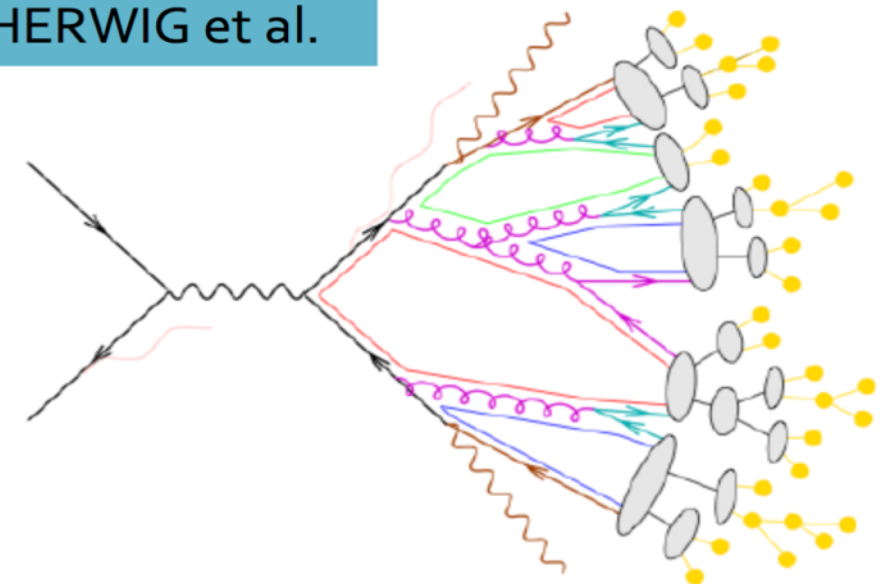
String fragmentation

PYTHIA et al.



Cluster hadronization

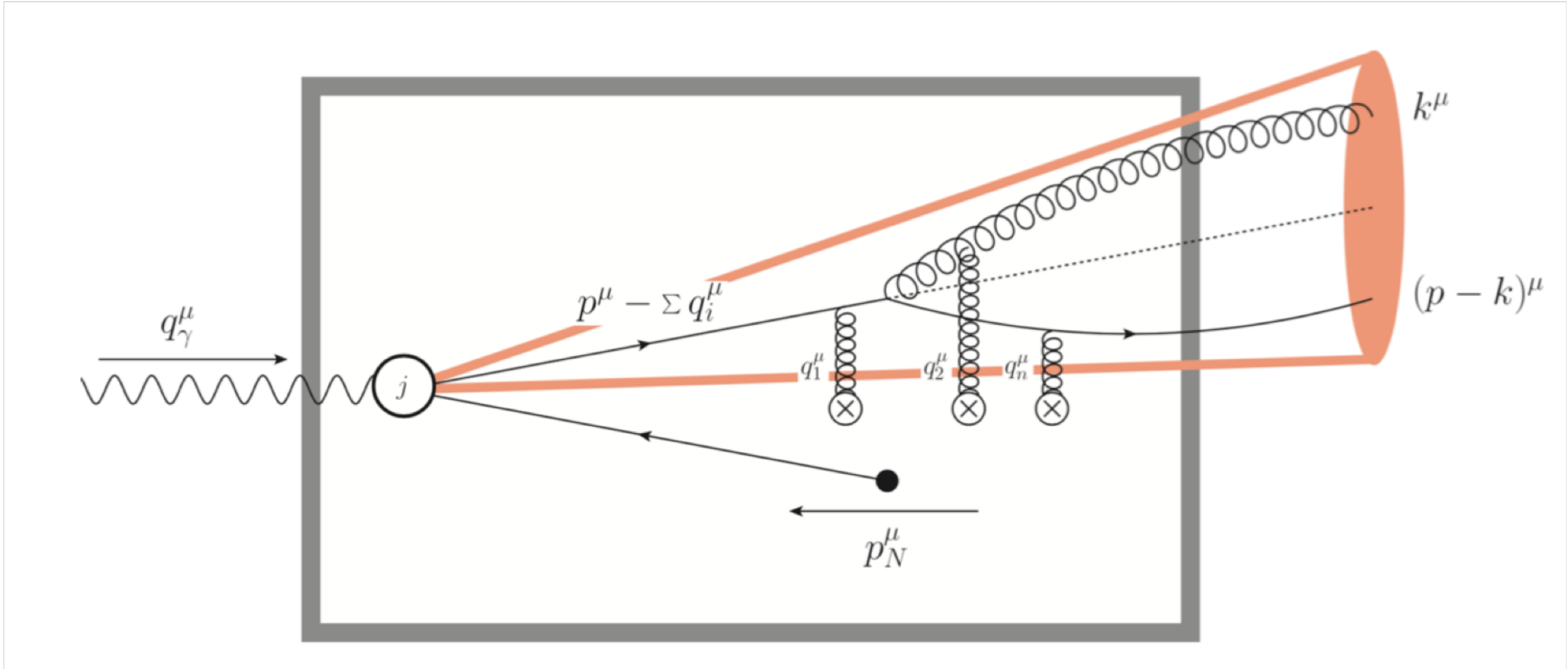
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The adolescence of hadrons:
The search for observables sensitive
to this evolution.

(Fig. IV)

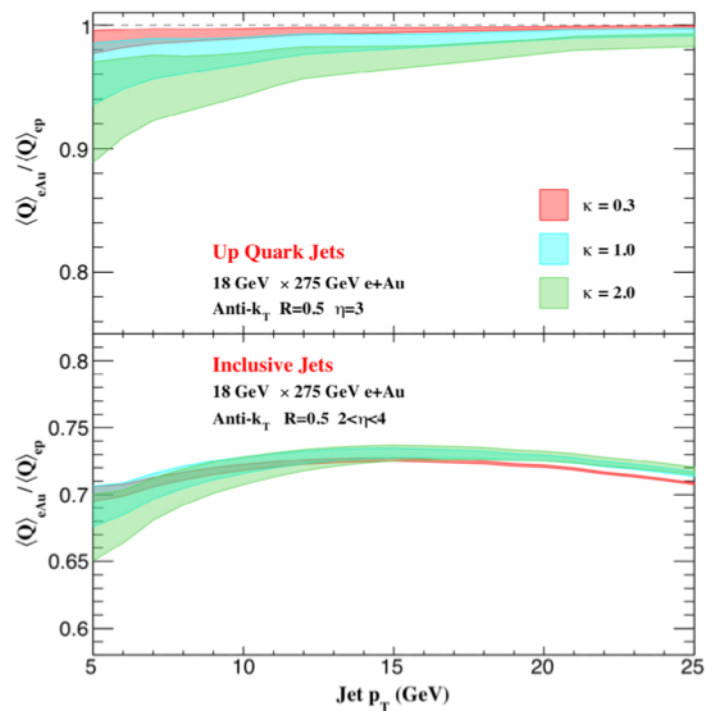
**A source that will be made possible by the EIC
One source of information from
jets in cold nuclear matter.**



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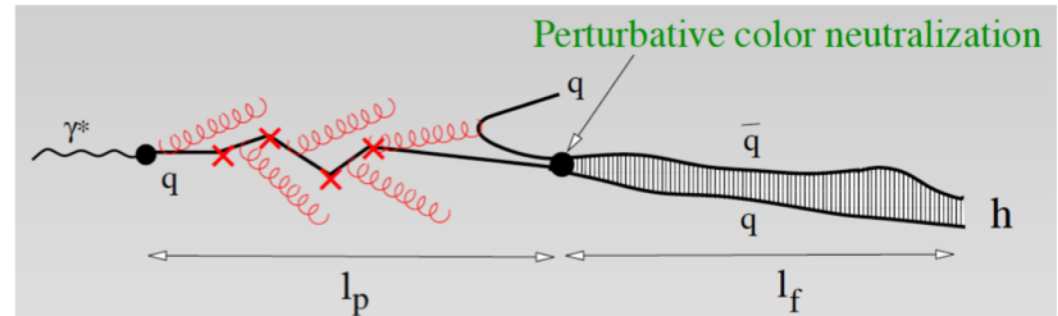
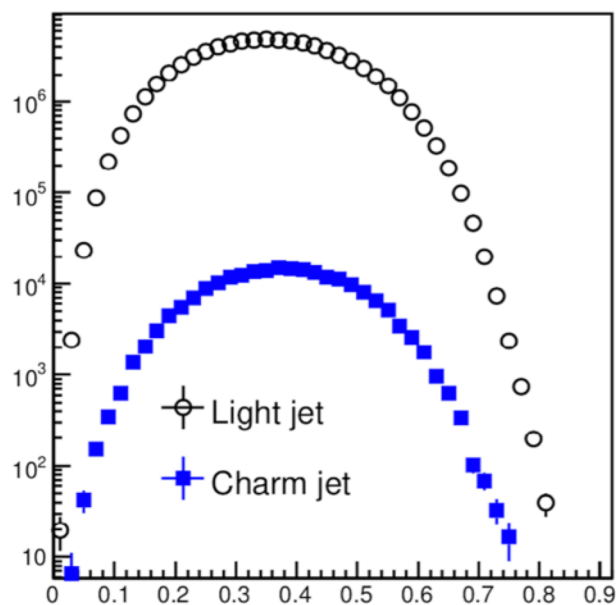
Examples of observables with the flow of charge as well as momentum flow.

$$Q_{\kappa, \text{jet}} = \frac{1}{(p_T^{\text{jet}})^{\kappa}} \sum_{i \in \text{jet}} Q_i (p_T^i)^{\kappa}, \quad \kappa > 0$$



(Fig. SK)

Jet angularity τ_a ($a = 1$)

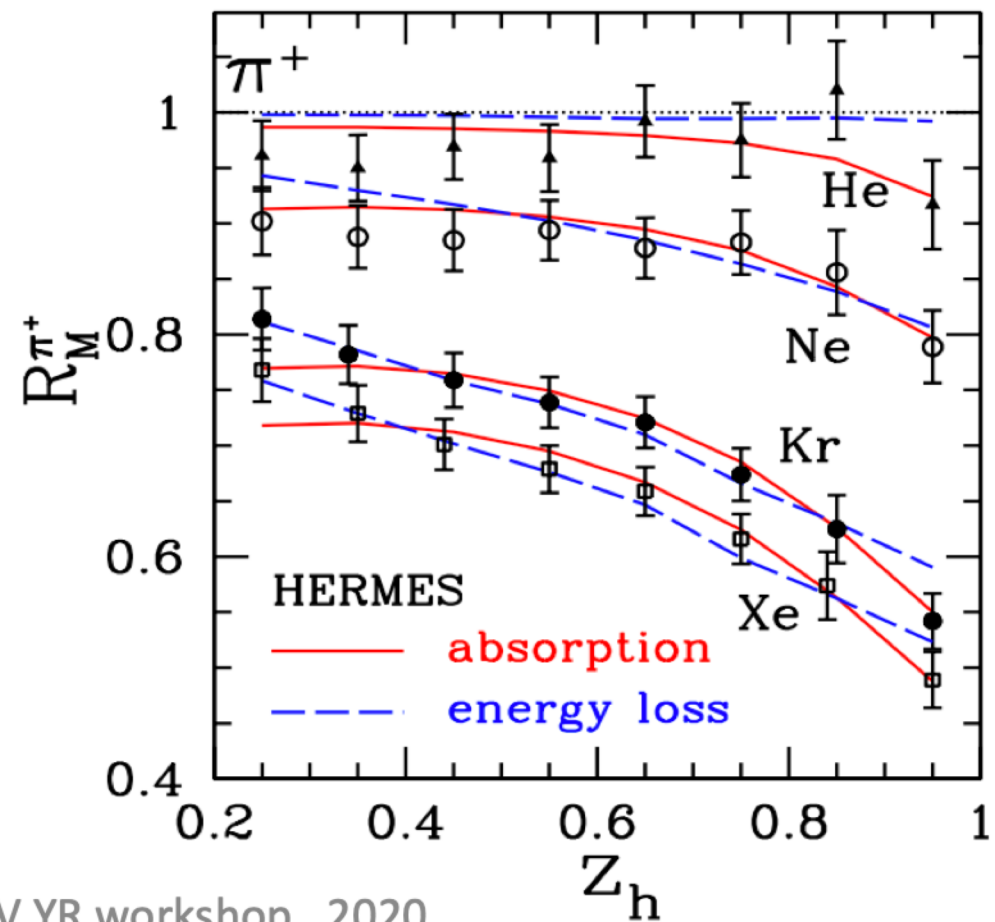


A. Accardi et al. 2009

- The space-time picture of hadronization
- Competing physics explanations based on energy loss and absorption

(Fig. IV)

Light hadron measurements cannot differentiate between competing mechanisms



**Bremmstrahlung I: high-statistics jets:
the excess in bremsstrahlung photons
relative to expectations
from asymptotic hadrons**

CERN-PH-EP/2005-052

2 November 2005

Evidence for an Excess of Soft Photons in Hadronic Decays of Z^0

DELPHI Collaboration

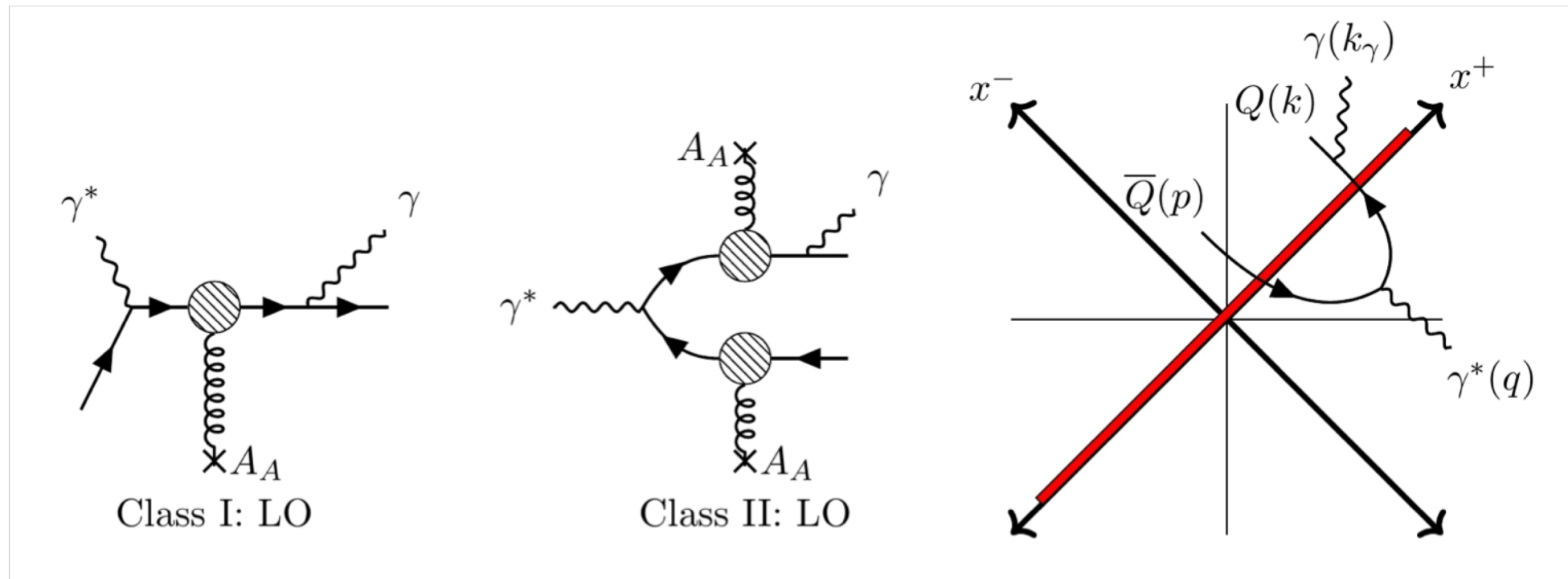
$$\frac{dN_\gamma}{d^3\vec{k}} = \frac{\alpha}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{1}{E_\gamma} \int d^3\vec{p}_1 \dots d^3\vec{p}_N \sum_{i,j} \eta_i \eta_j \frac{-(P_i P_j)}{(P_i K)(P_j K)} \frac{dN_{hadrons}}{d^3\vec{p}_1 \dots d^3\vec{p}_N}$$

Abstract

**What does the non-asymptotic
source of photons say
about dynamics?
(Kharzeev, Loshaj
(2013))**

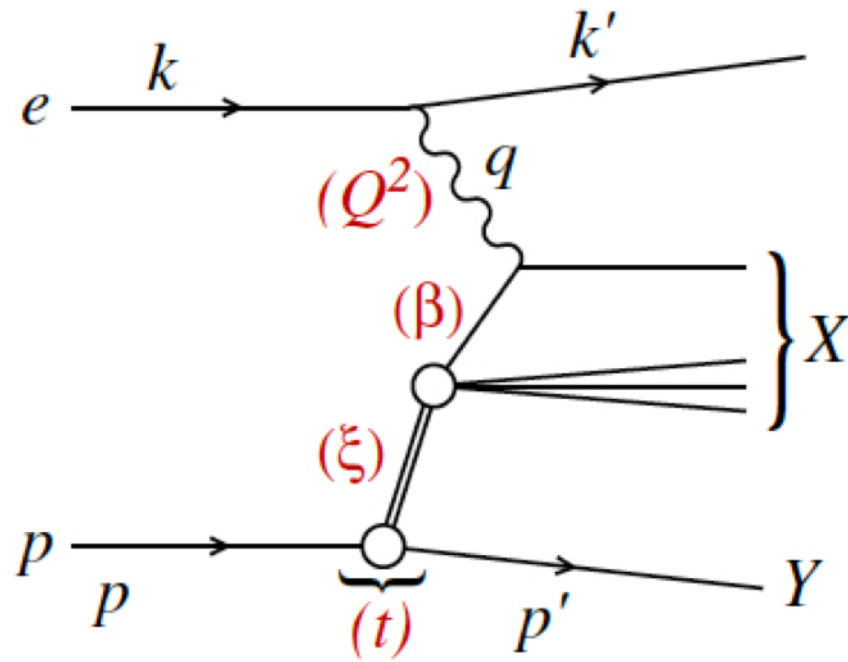
Soft photons inside hadronic jets converted in front of the DELPHI main tracker (TPC) in events of $q\bar{q}$ disintegrations of the Z^0 were studied in the kinematic range $0.2 < E_\gamma < 1$ GeV and transverse momentum with respect to the closest jet direction $p_T < 80$ MeV/c. A clear excess of photons in the experimental data as compared to the Monte Carlo predictions is observed. This excess (uncorrected for the photon detection efficiency) is $(1.17 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.27) \times 10^{-3} \gamma/jet$ in the specified kinematic region, while the expected level of the inner hadronic bremsstrahlung (which is not included in the Monte Carlo) is $(0.340 \pm 0.001 \pm 0.038) \times 10^{-3} \gamma/jet$. The ratio of the excess to the predicted bremsstrahlung rate is then $(3.4 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.8)$, which is similar in strength to the anomalous soft photon signal observed in fixed target experiments with hadronic beams.

Bremmstrahlung II: small-x for large nuclei. Photon presents a “color dipole”.



(Roy & Venugopiana 2018)

Inclusive Diffraction $e + p \rightarrow e' + X + Y$



$$\xi \equiv x_{\mathbb{P}} = \frac{Q^2 + M_X^2 - t}{Q^2 + W^2}$$

momentum fraction
of the diffractive exchange
w.r.t. hadron

$$t = (p - p')^2$$

momentum transferred
at the proton vertex

$$\beta = \frac{Q^2}{Q^2 + M_X^2 - t}$$

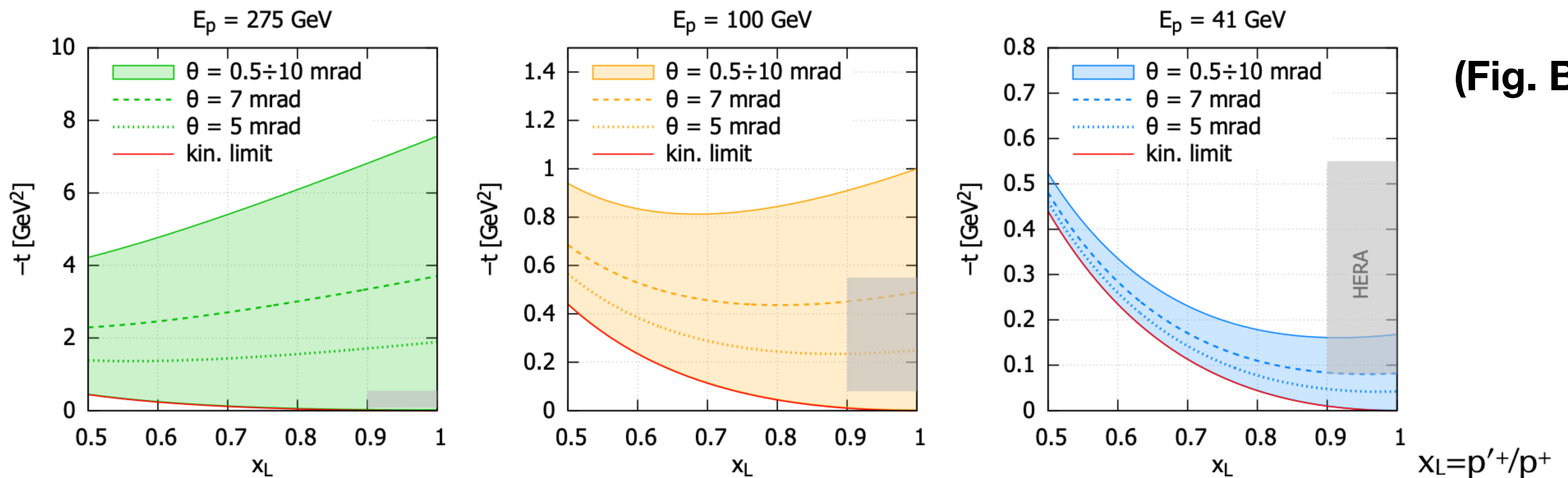
momentum fraction of the
parton w.r.t. the diffractive exchange

$$x = \beta\xi$$

Bjorken variable

The “pomeron” is often seen as a like a particle,
but is really a process. Diffraction probes the “gluonic edge” of nucleons.

Kinematics range of t and x_L



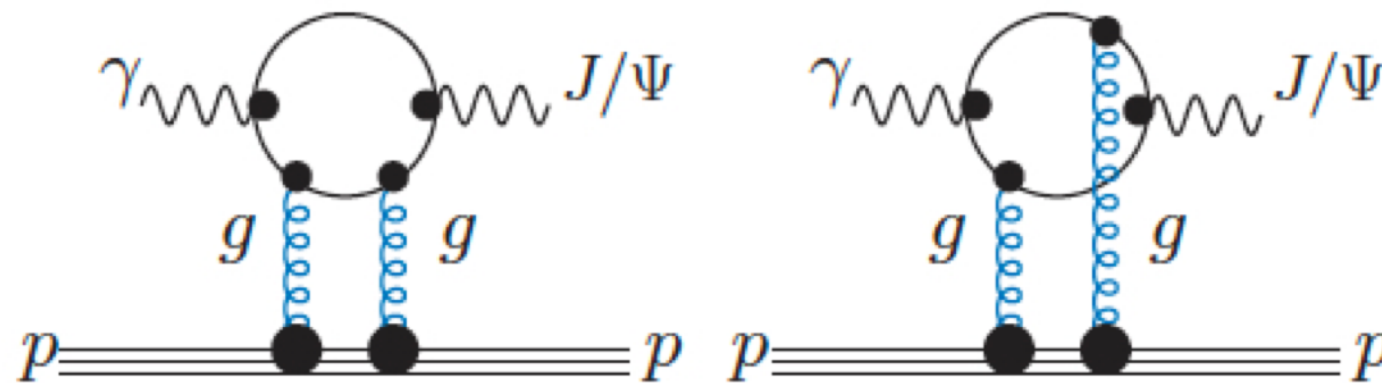
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HERA range

Using heavy quarkonia to probe the proton mass.

$$\langle P | T_{q,G}^{\mu\nu}(0) | P \rangle = 2P^\mu P^\nu A_{q,G}(0) + 2M^2 g^{\mu\nu} \bar{C}_{q,G}(0)$$

heavy quarkonium photo- and electro-production at threshold



- measurements at JLab (GlueX and SoLID) for J/Ψ
- at EIC: J/Ψ and Υ photo- and electro-production (see chapter 8)

(Fig. BP)

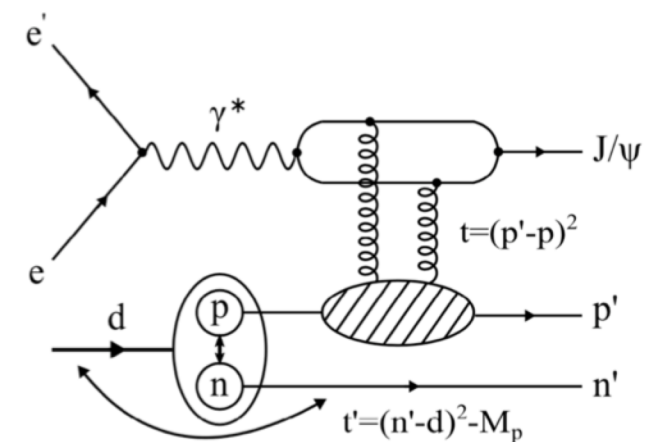
The same gluon probes for
“short-range correlations”
within nuclei

Short-range nucleon-nucleon correlations (SRCs) may be responsible for the EMC effect

- ◆ What role do gluons play in SRCs?

Small nuclear separation \rightarrow high relative momentum

- ◆ Nuclear momentum leads to partons with $x > 1$

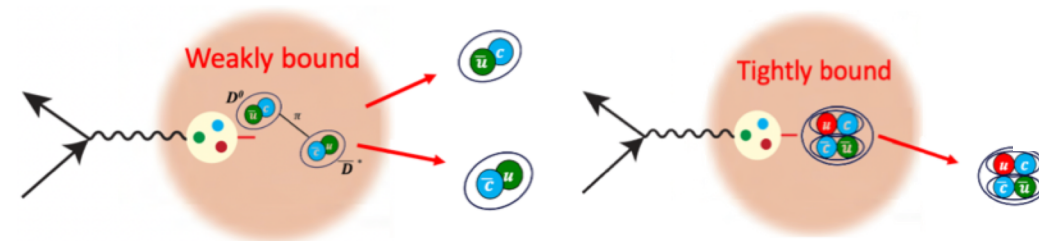


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Heavy quarks and their newly-discovered states beyond the baryon-meson quark model. A new class of probes.

New exotic state structure studies at the EIC

Use eA collisions – nucleus as a filter to differentiate between tightly bound (quark) and molecular states



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M. Durham et al. 2020

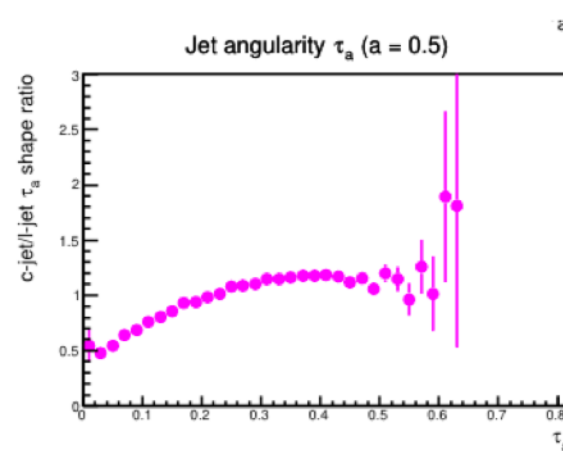
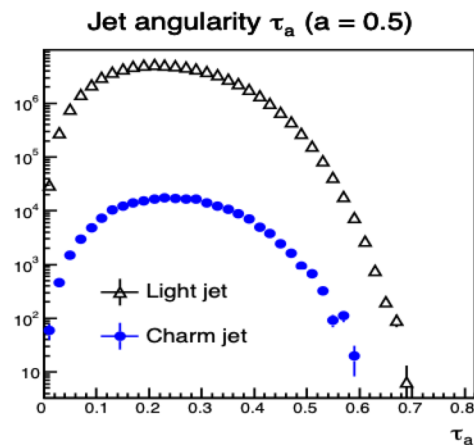
Hadronization is important when we look inside jets: shapes, fragmentation functions, angularities

L. Cunqueiro et al. 2020

$$\tau_a \equiv \tau_a^{pp} \equiv \frac{1}{p_T} \sum_{i \in J} p_T^i (\Delta R_{iJ})^{2-a}$$

E_e : 10 GeV
 E_p : 100 GeV
 Integrated Lumi: 10 fb⁻¹

- Heavy flavor jet tagging and sub-structure



Have been studies experimentally
 Can be used to differentiate between light and heavy flavor jets

P. Wong et al. 2020

- Energy loss of jets in e+A is important but in a different section

(Figs. IV)

This was only a personal selection of topics

The advent of an Electron-Ion collider at high luminosity opens the door to qualitatively new studies of partonic substructure and the evolution of partonic to hadronic degrees of freedom.