



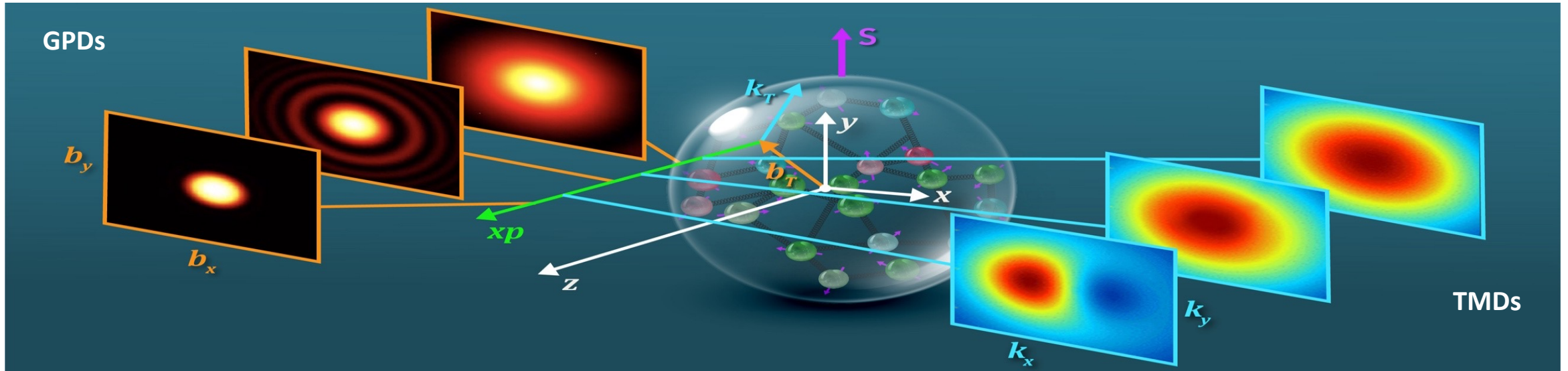
# The Electron-Ion Collider (EIC)

- **Lec. 1: EIC & Fundamentals of QCD**
- **Lec. 2: Probing Structure of Hadrons without seeing Quark/Gluon?**
  - *breaking the hadron!*
- **Lec. 3: Probing Structure of Hadrons with polarized beam(s)**
  - *Spin as another knob*
- **Lec. 4: Probing Structure of Hadrons without breaking them?**  
**Dense Systems of gluons**
  - *Nuclei as Femtosize Detectors*



# How to Explore Internal Structure of a Hadron without Breaking it?

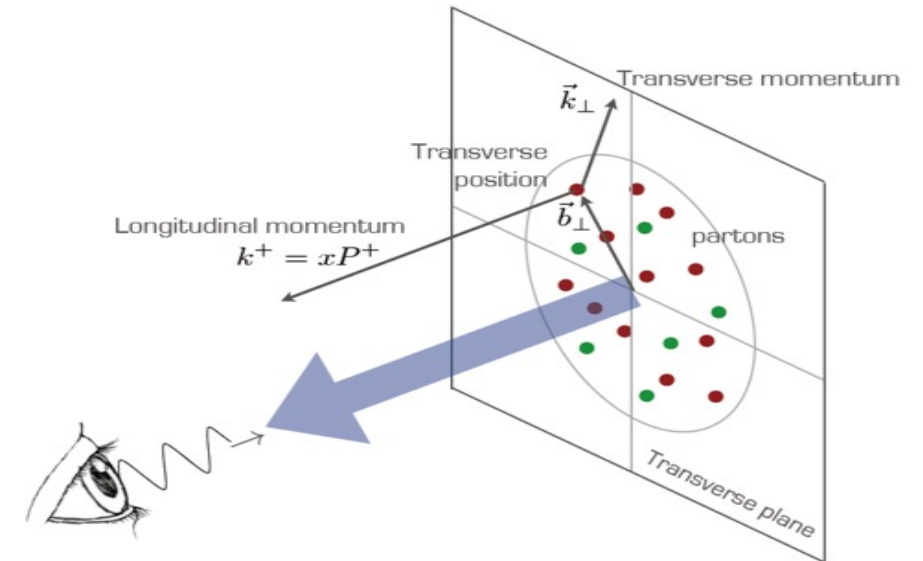
## □ 3D hadron structure:



## □ Need new observables with two distinctive scales:

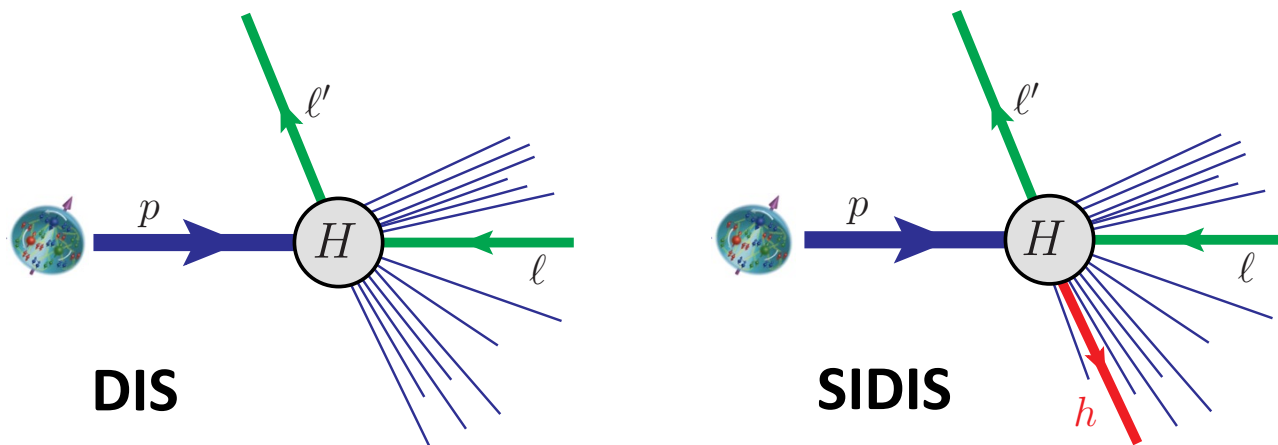
$$Q_1 \gg Q_2 \sim 1/R \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$$

- **Hard scale:**  $Q_1$  to localize the probe to see the particle nature of quarks/gluons
- **“Soft” scale:**  $Q_2$  to be more sensitive to the emergent regime of hadron structure  $\sim 1/\text{fm}$

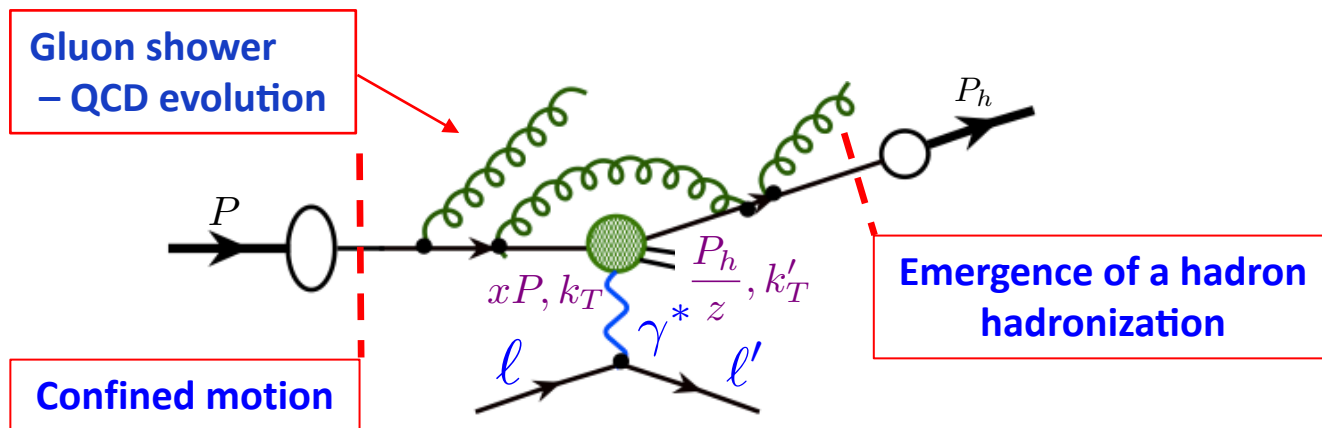
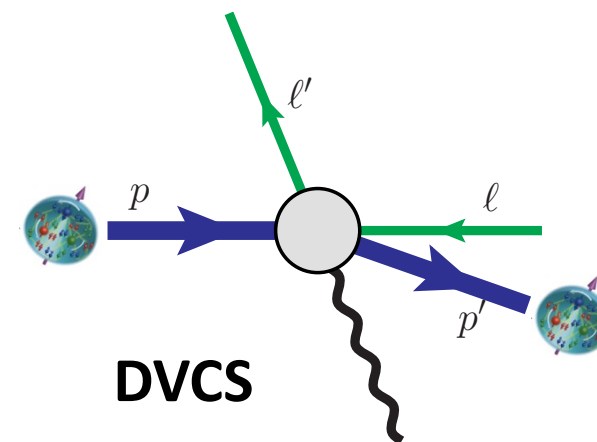


# Inclusive vs. Exclusive – Partonic structure without breaking the hadron!

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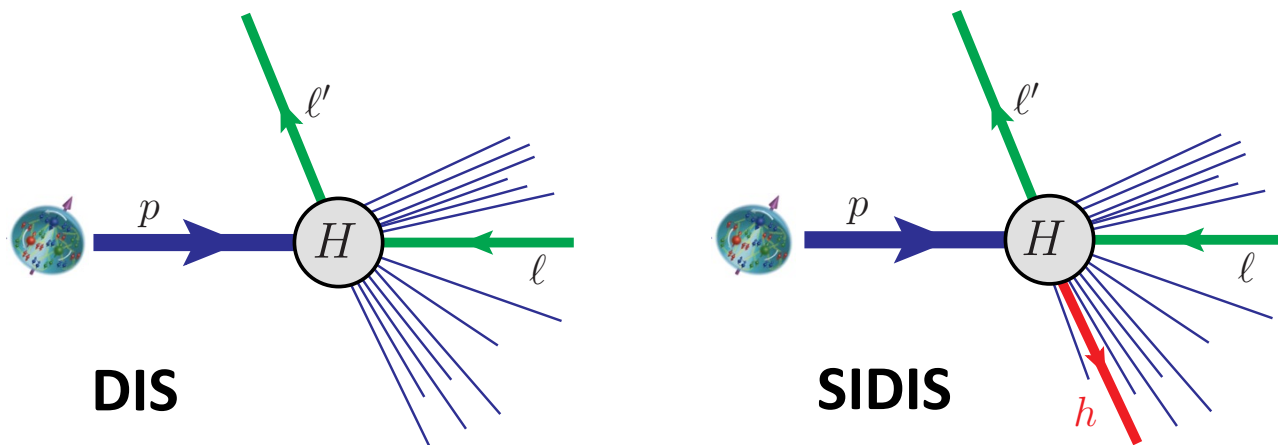
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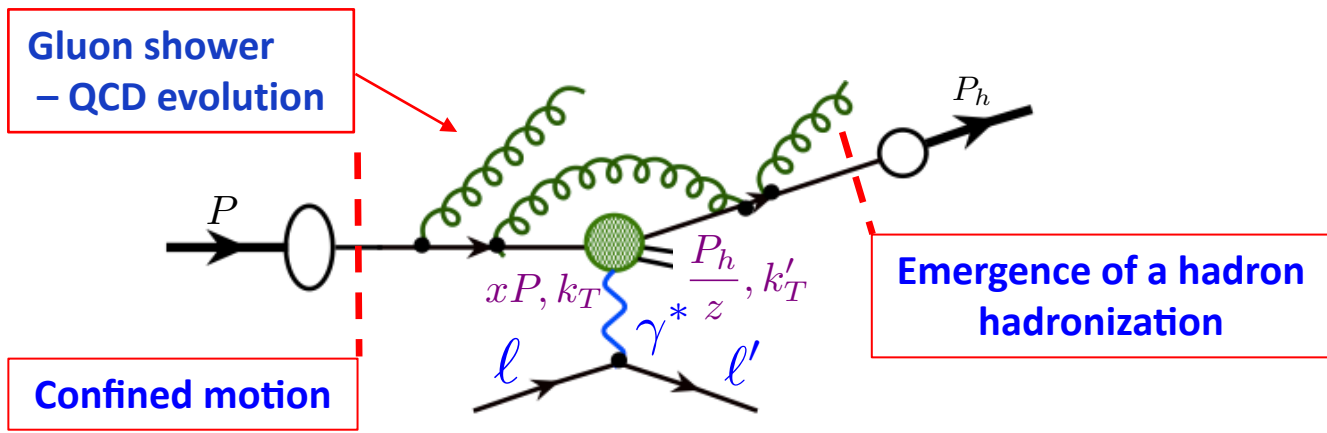
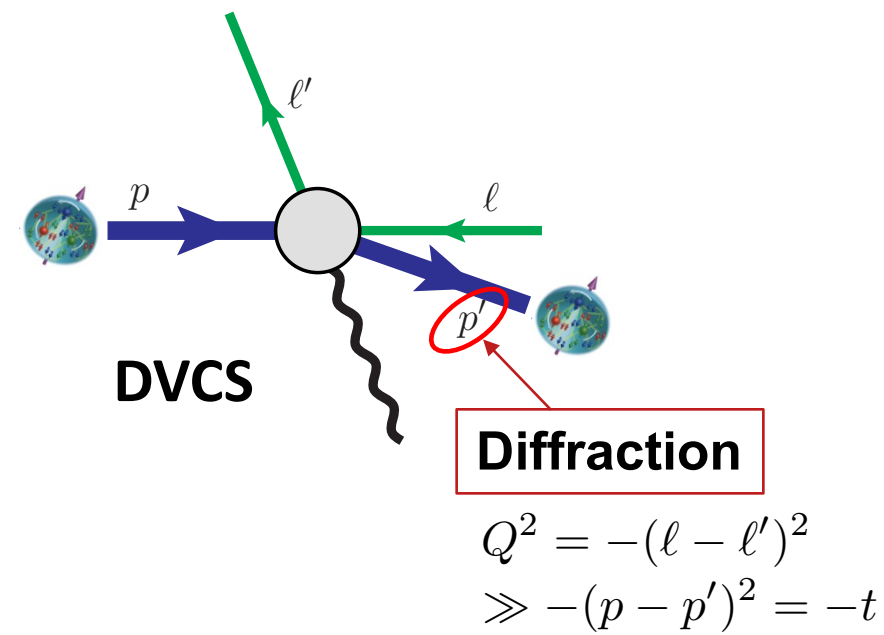
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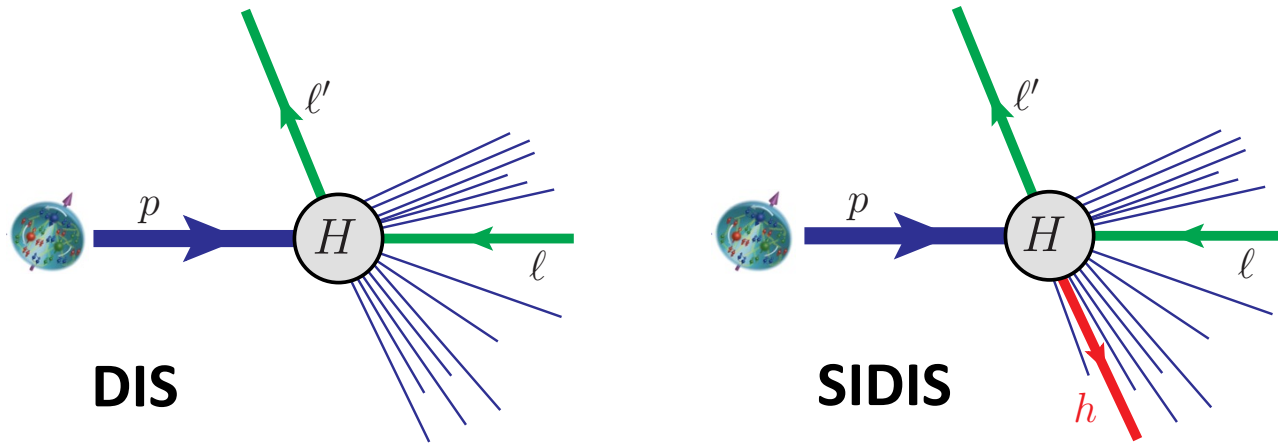
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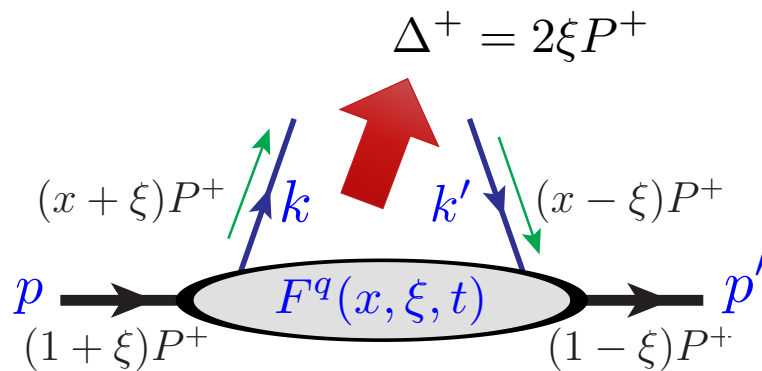
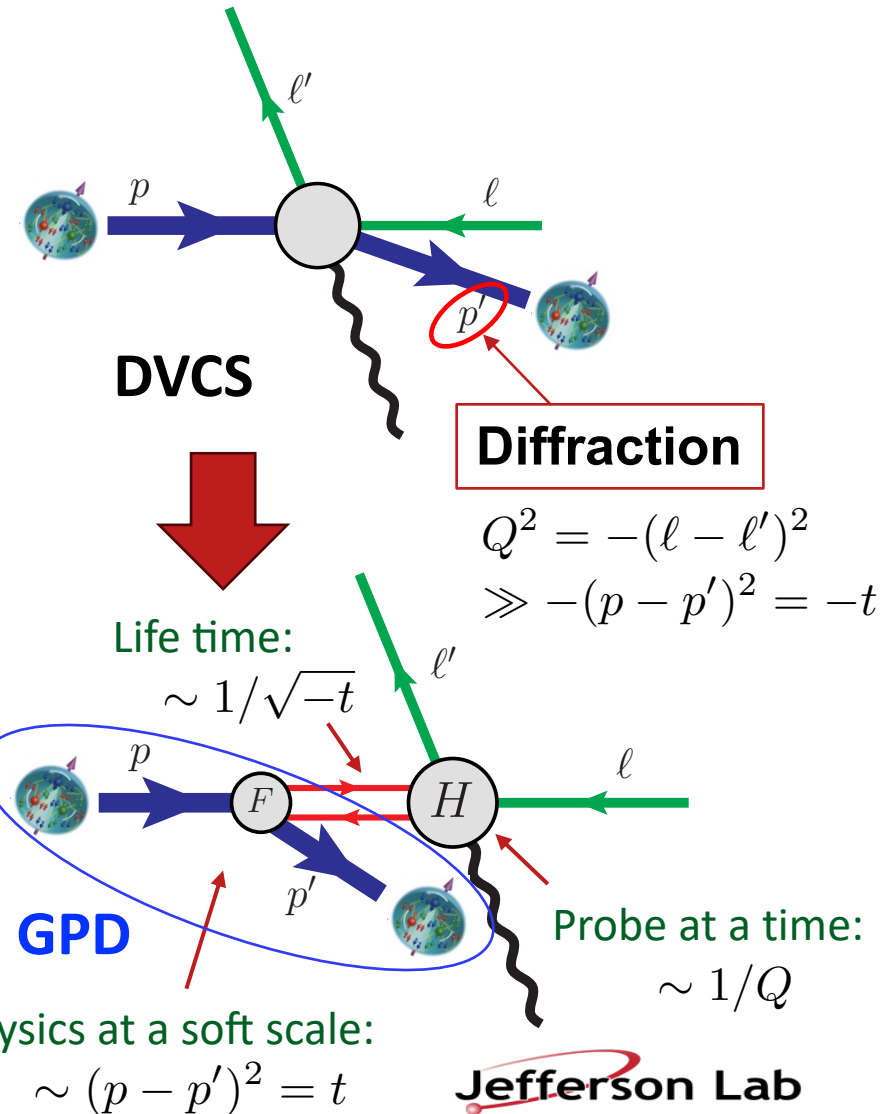
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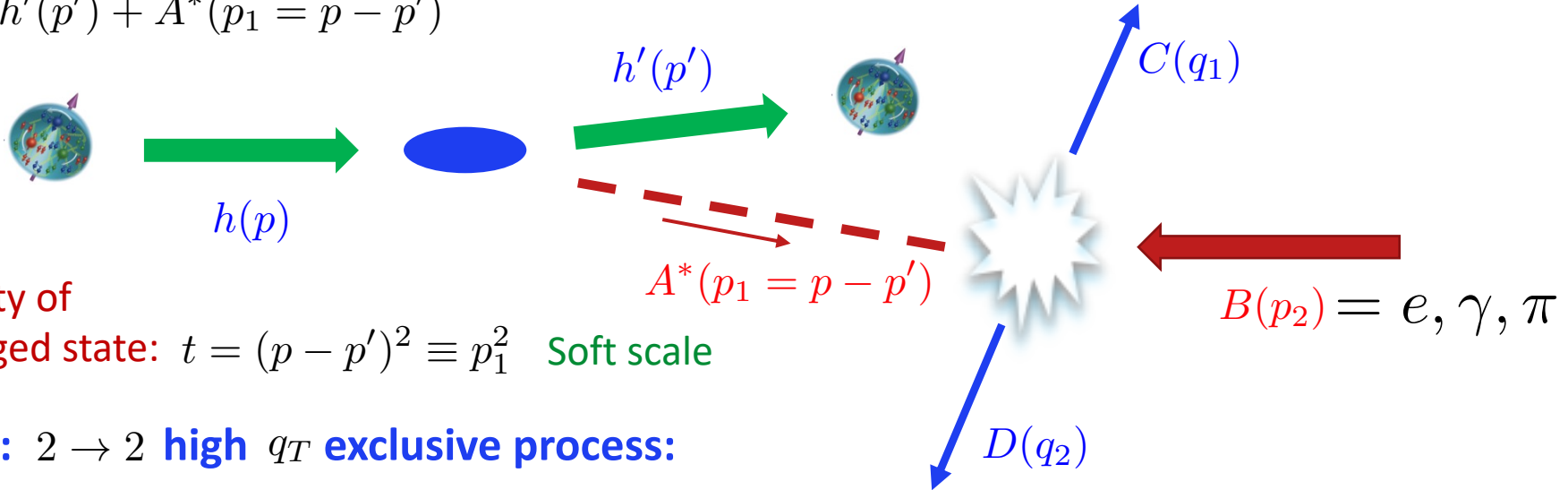
# Single-Diffractive Hard Exclusive Processes (SDHEP)

Qiu & Yu, JHEP 08 (2022) 103  
 PRD 107 (2023) 014007  
 PRL 131 (2023) 161902

## □ Separation of physics taken place at soft ( $t$ ) and hard ( $Q$ ) scales:

- **Single diffractive – keep the hadron intact:**

$$h(p) \rightarrow h'(p') + A^*(p_1 = p - p')$$



Virtuality of exchanged state:  $t = (p - p')^2 \equiv p_1^2$  **Soft scale**

- **Hard probe:  $2 \rightarrow 2$  high  $q_T$  exclusive process:**

$$A^*(p_1) + B(p_2) \rightarrow C(q_1) + D(q_2)$$

Probing time:  $\sim 1/|q_{1T}| \approx 1/|q_{2T}|$

➔ **Two-stage  $2 \rightarrow 3$  single diffractive exclusive hard processes (SDHEP):**

$$h(p) + B(p_2) \rightarrow h'(p') + C(q_1) + D(q_2)$$

- **Necessary condition for QCD factorization:**

Lifetime of  $A^*(p_1)$  is much longer than collision time of the probe!

➔  $|q_{1T}| = |q_{2T}| \gg \sqrt{-t}$

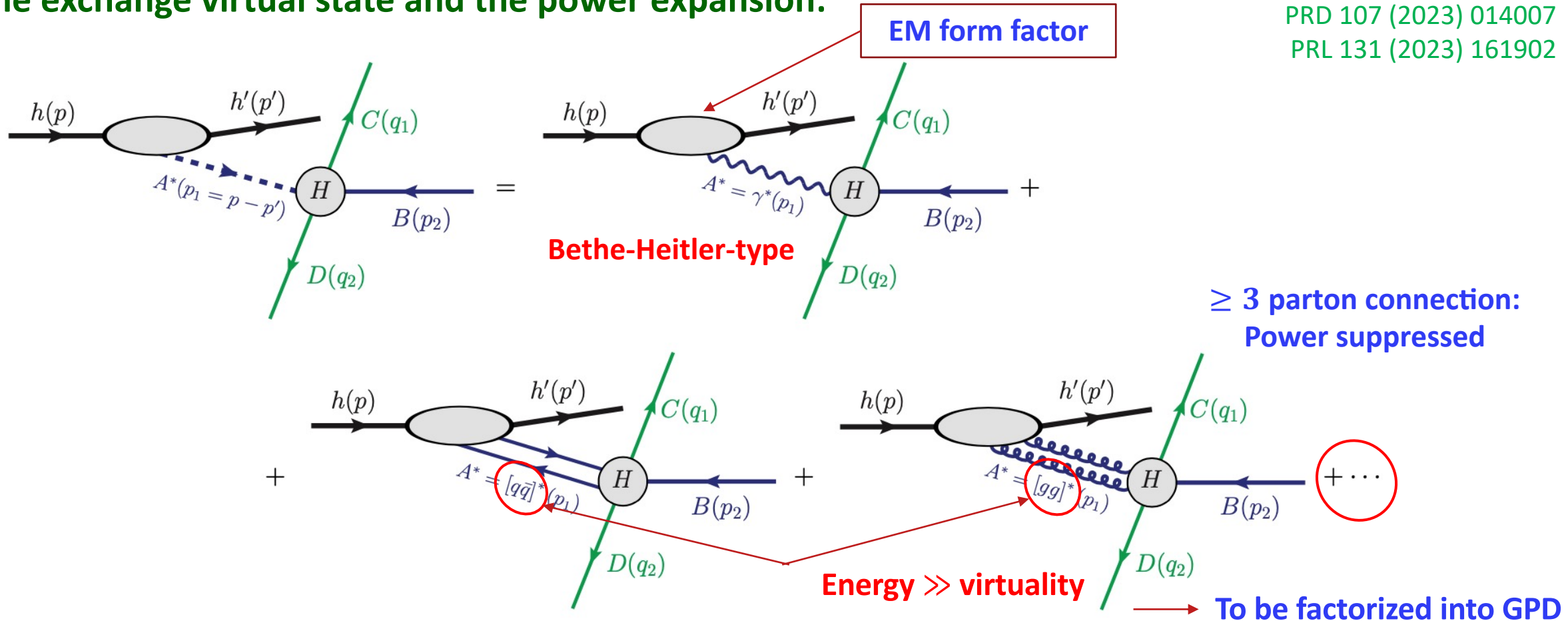
**Not necessarily sufficient!**

**A 2-scale 2-stage observable!**

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□ The exchange virtual state and the power expansion:

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The exchanged state  $A^*(p-p')$  is a sum of all possible partonic states,  $n=1,2, \dots$ , allowed by

- Quantum numbers of  $h(p) - h'(p')$
- Symmetry of producing non-vanishing  $H$

Need to separate different contributions!

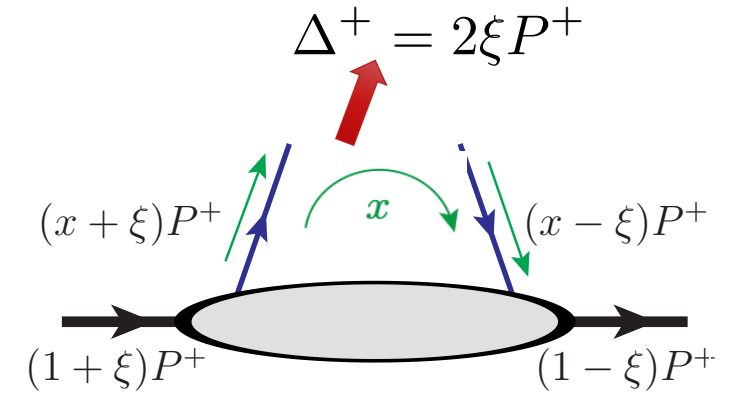
Proper angular modulations!

# Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs)

D. Müller, D. Robaschik, B. Geyer, F.-M. Dittes, J. Hořejši,  
*Fortsch. Phys.* 42 (1994) 101

## □ Definition:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F^q(x, \xi, t) &= \int \frac{dz^-}{4\pi} e^{-ixP^+z^-} \langle p' | \bar{q}(z^-/2) \gamma^+ q(-z^-/2) | p \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{2P^+} \left[ H^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \gamma^+ u(p) - E^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \frac{i\sigma^{+\alpha} \Delta_\alpha}{2m} u(p) \right], \\
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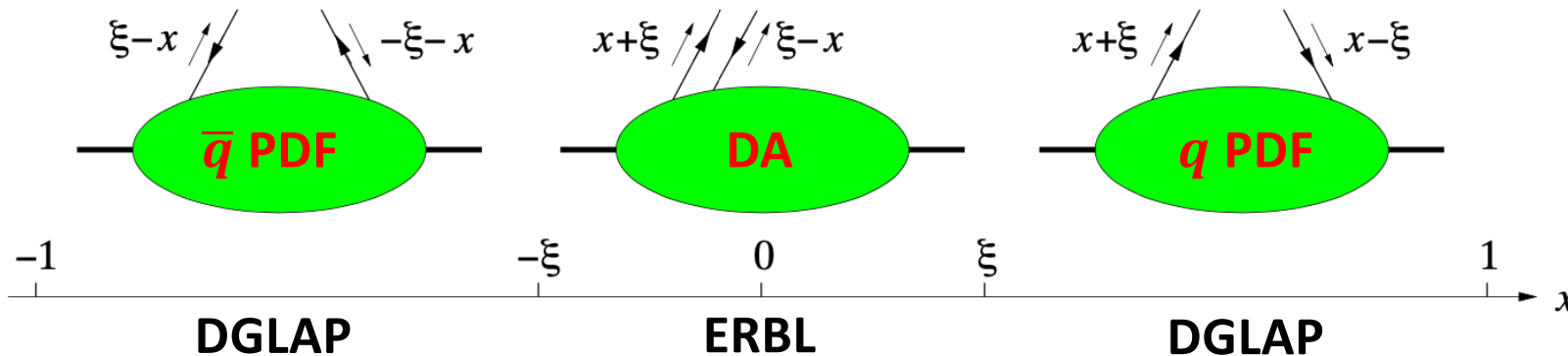


## □ Combine PDF and Distribution Amplitude (DA):

Forward limit  $\xi = t = 0$ :  $H^q(x, 0, 0) = q(x)$ ,  $\tilde{H}^q(x, 0, 0) = \Delta q(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P^+ &= \frac{p^+ + p'^+}{2} \\
 \Delta &= p - p' \quad t = \Delta^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Similar definition  
 for gluon GPDs



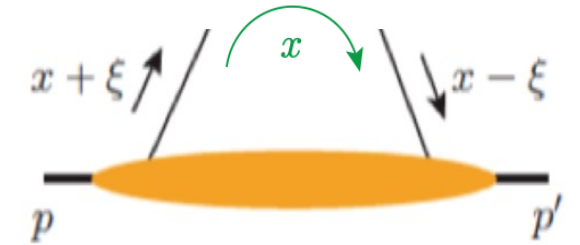


# Properties of GPDs – Partonic

□ Impact parameter dependent parton density distribution:

$$q(x, b_{\perp}, Q) = \int d^2 \Delta_{\perp} e^{-i \Delta_{\perp} \cdot b_{\perp}} H_q(x, \xi = 0, t = -\Delta_{\perp}^2, Q)$$

➔ Quark density in  $dx d^2 b_T$



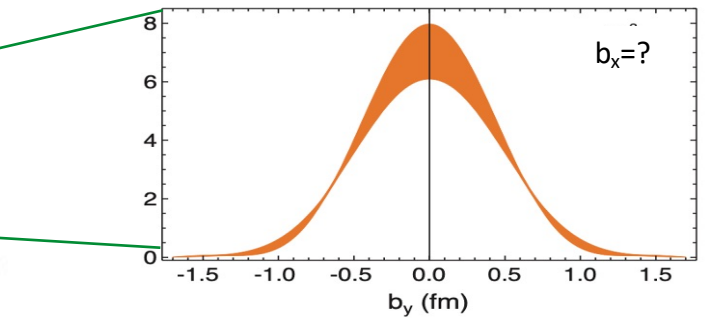
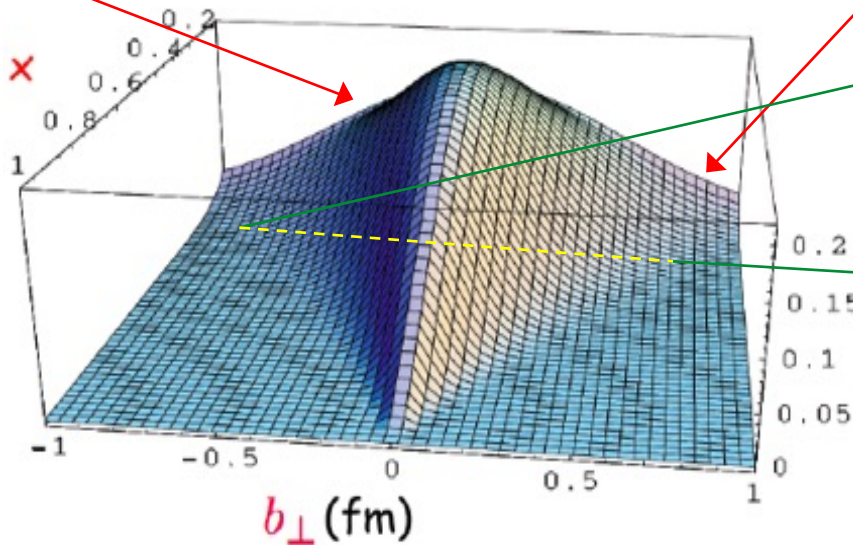
Measurement of  $p'$  fixes  $(t, \xi)$   
 $x$  = momentum flow between the pair

How fast does glue density fall?

Tomographic image of hadron in slice of  $x$

How far does glue density spread?

➔



Slice in  $(x, Q)$

Modeled by M. Burkardt, PRD 2000

$$\langle q_{\perp}^N \rangle \equiv \int db_{\perp} b_{\perp}^N q(x, b_{\perp}, Q)$$

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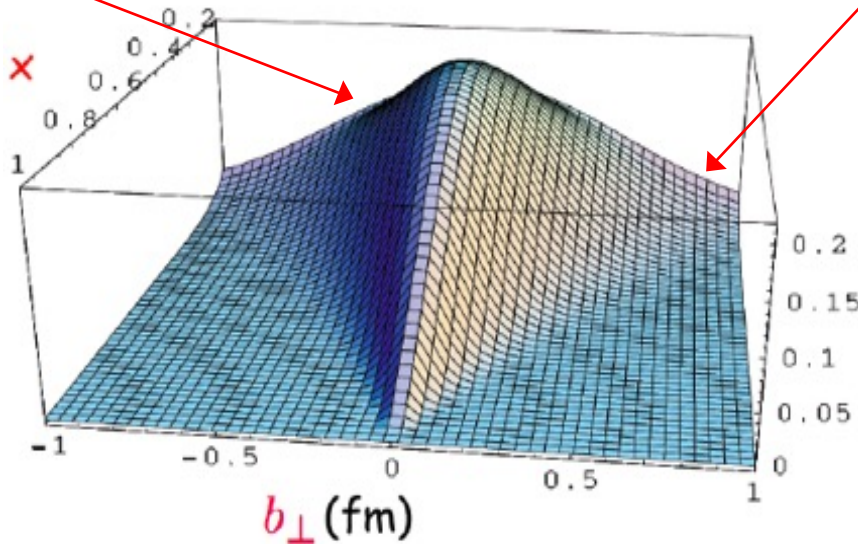
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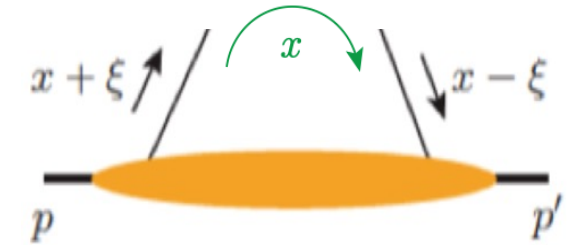
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- Should  $r_q(x) > r_g(x)$ , or vice versa?
- Could  $r_g(x)$  saturates as  $x \rightarrow 0$
- How do they compare with known radius (EM charge radius, mass radius, ... ), & why?
- How the image correlate to hadron spin, ... ?
- ...

# Properties of GPDs – Hadronic = Moments of GPDs

## QCD energy-momentum tensor:

Ji, PRL78, 1997  
V. D. Burkert, et al. RMP 95 (2023) 041002

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \sum_{i=q,g} T_i^{\mu\nu} \quad \text{with} \quad T_q^{\mu\nu} = \bar{\psi}_q i\gamma^{(\mu} \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\nu)} \psi_q - g^{\mu\nu} \bar{\psi}_q \left( i\gamma \cdot \overleftrightarrow{D} - m_q \right) \psi_q \quad \text{and} \quad T_g^{\mu\nu} = F^{a,\mu\eta} F^{a,\eta\nu} + \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} (F_{\rho\eta}^a)^2$$

## “Gravitational” form factors:

$$\langle p' | T_i^{\mu\nu} | p \rangle = \bar{u}(p') \left[ A_i(t) \frac{P^\mu P^\nu}{m} + J_i(t) \frac{iP^{(\mu} \sigma^{\nu)\Delta}}{2m} + D_i(t) \frac{\Delta^\mu \Delta^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} \Delta^2}{4m} + m \bar{c}_i(t) g^{\mu\nu} \right] u(p)$$

## Connection to GPD moments:

$$\int_{-1}^1 dx x F_i(x, \xi, t) \propto \langle p' | T_i^{++} | p \rangle \propto \bar{u}(p') \left[ \underbrace{(A_i + \xi^2 D_i)}_{\int_{-1}^1 dx x H_i(x, \xi, t)} \gamma^+ + \underbrace{(B_i - \xi^2 D_i)}_{\int_{-1}^1 dx x E_i(x, \xi, t)} \frac{i\sigma^{+\Delta}}{2m} \right] u(p)$$

$$C_i(t) \leftrightarrow D_i(t)/4$$

**Related to pressure & stress force inside h**

Polyakov, Schweitzer, Inntt. J. Mod. Phys. A33, 1830025 (2018)  
Burkert, Elouadrhiri, Girod Nature 557, 396 (2018)

## Angular momentum sum rule:

$$J_i = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_{-1}^1 dx x [H_i(x, \xi, t) + E_i(x, \xi, t)] \quad \longrightarrow$$

$i = q, g$

**3D tomography**  
**Relation to GFFs**  
**Angular Momentum**

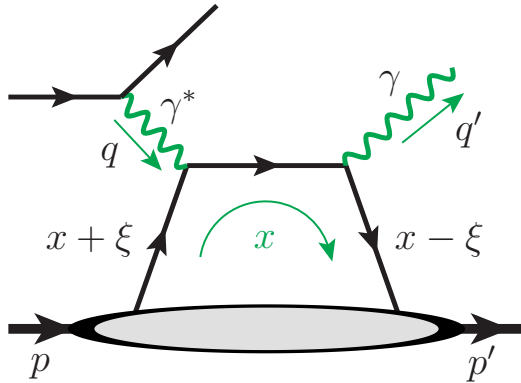
**Need x-dependence of GPDs!**

**Need to know the x-dependence of GPDs to construct the proper moments!**

# Exclusive Diffractive Processes for Extracting GPDs

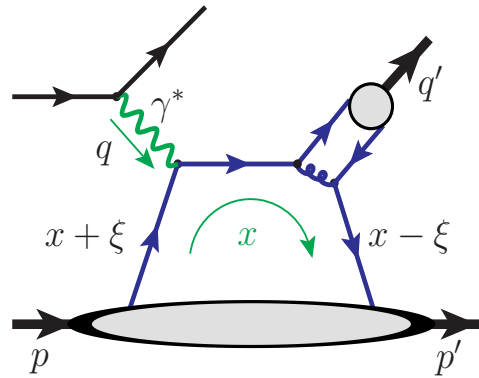
## Known exclusive processes for extracting GPDs:

$$h(p) + B(p_2) \rightarrow h'(p') + C(q_1) + D(q_2)$$



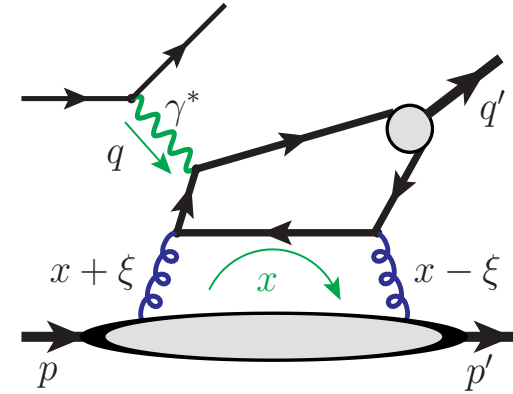
**DVCS:  $Q^2 \gg |t|$**

$$B = e, C = e, D = \gamma$$



**DVMP**

$$B = e, C = e, D = \pi, \dots$$

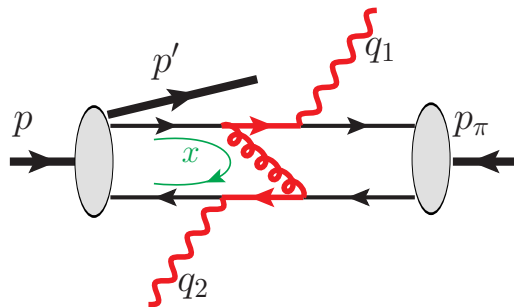


**DVQP**

$$B = e, C = e, D = J/\psi$$

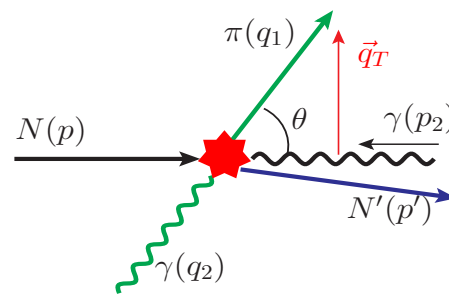
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## New exclusive processes for extracting GPDs:



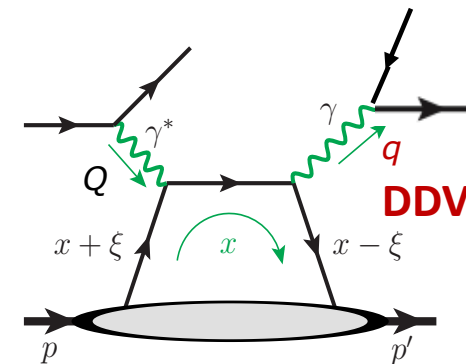
$$B = \pi, C = \gamma, D = \gamma$$

**J-PARC, AMBER**



$$B = \gamma, C = \pi, D = \gamma$$

**JLab, EIC**



**DDVCS**

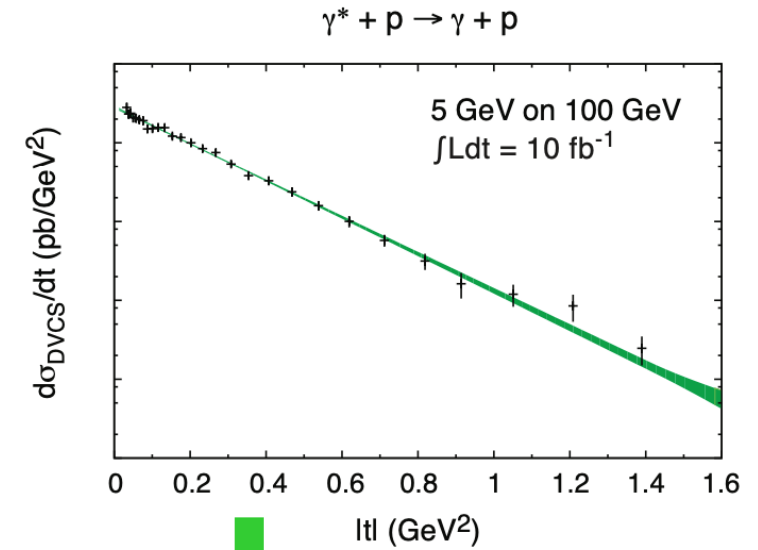
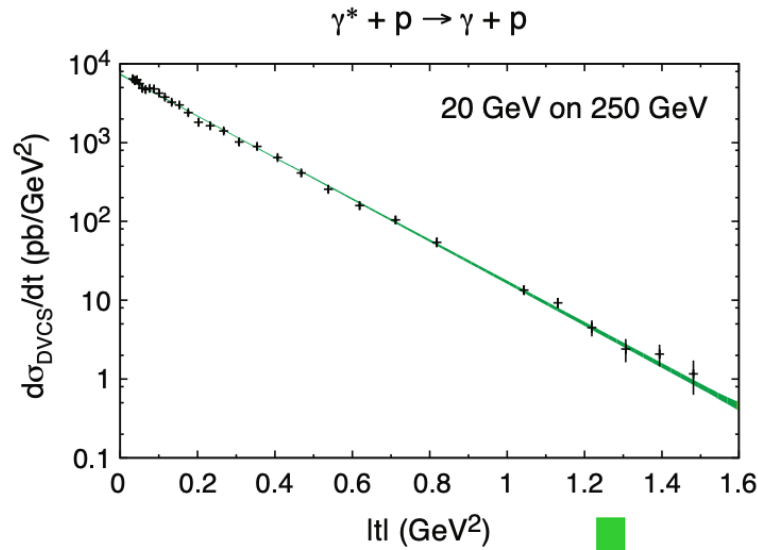
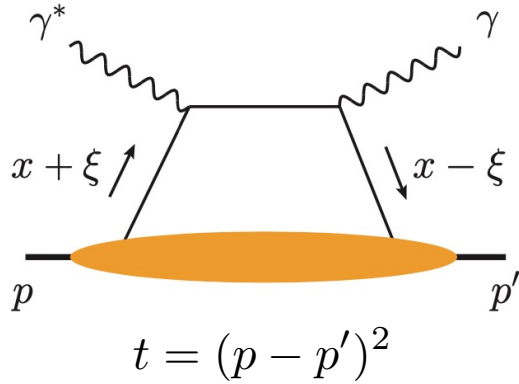
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**JLab**

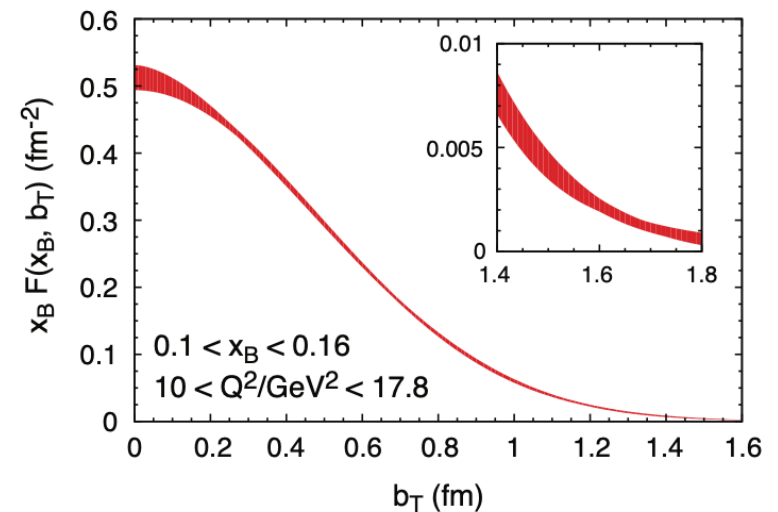
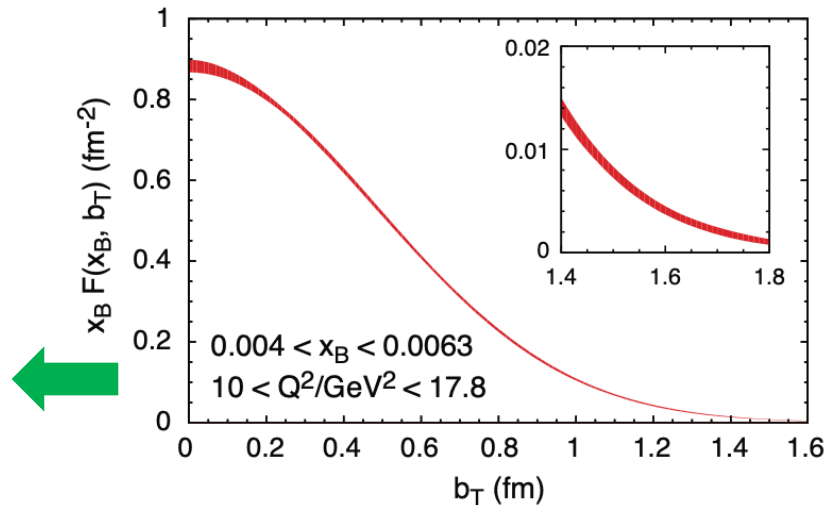
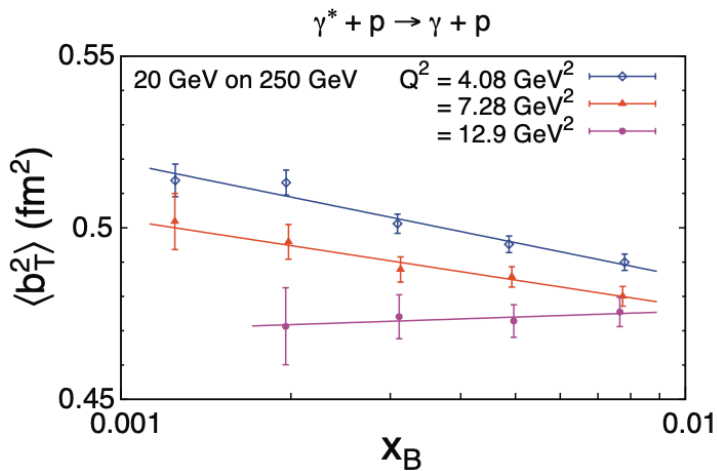
**Better sensitivity  
on the x-dependence!**

# DVCS at the EIC (White Paper)

## Cross Sections:



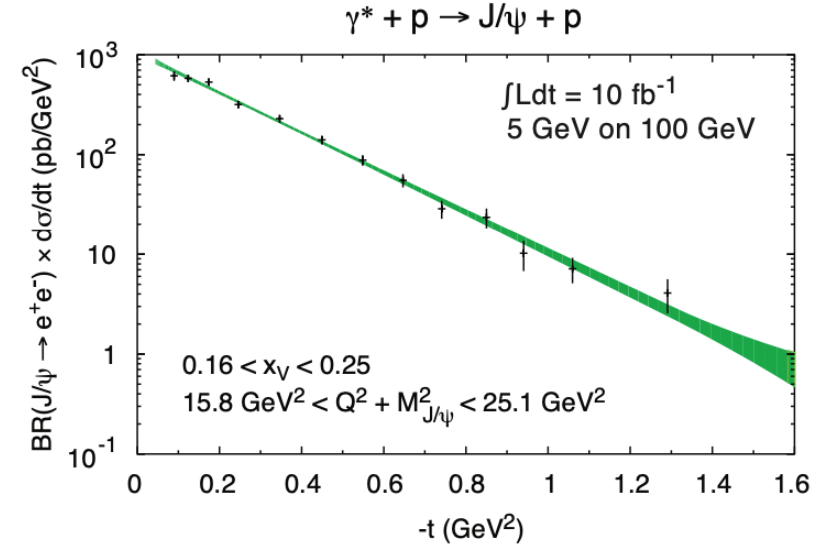
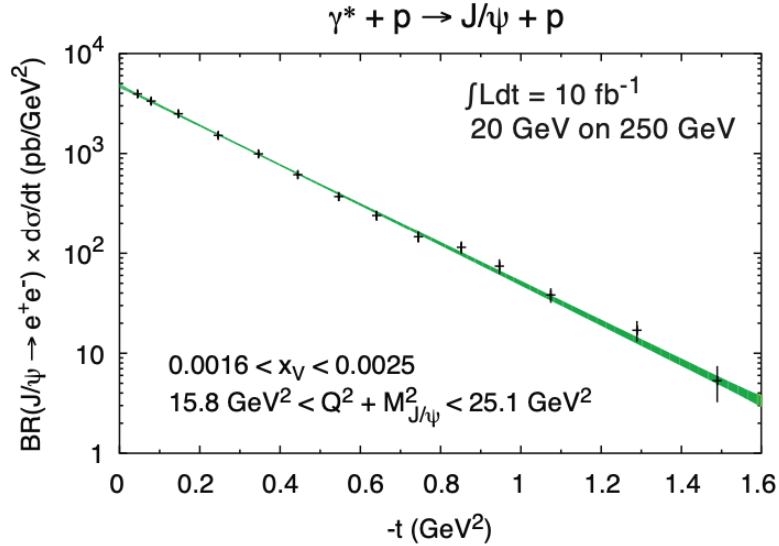
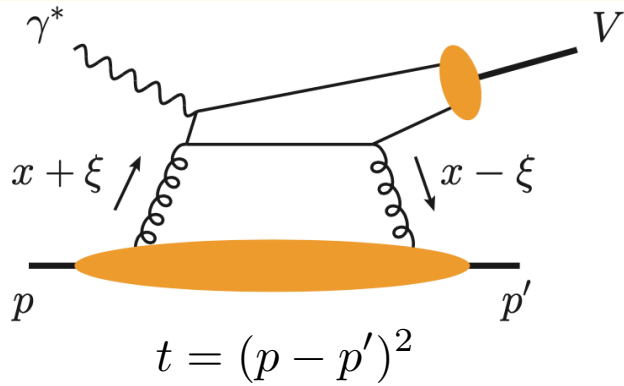
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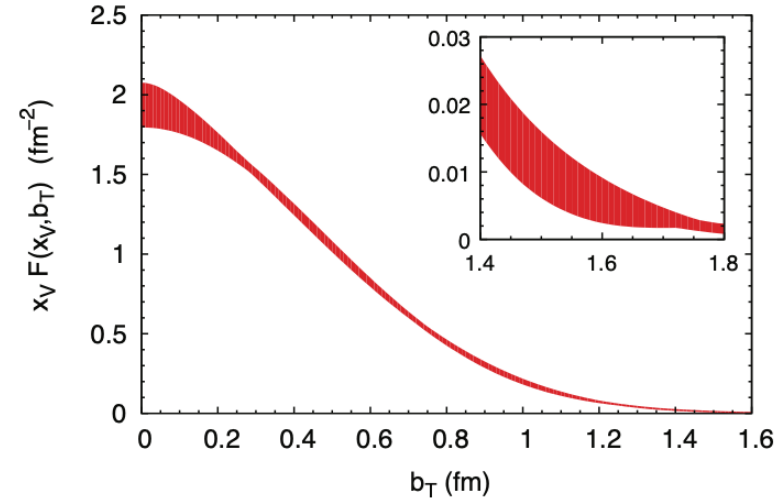
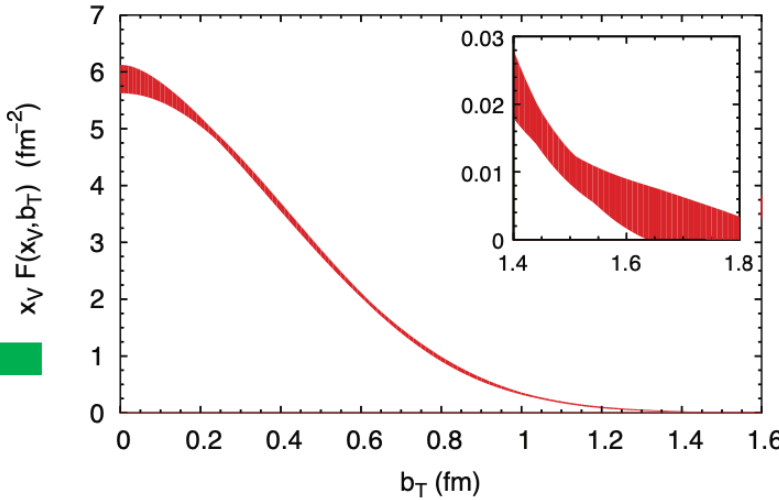
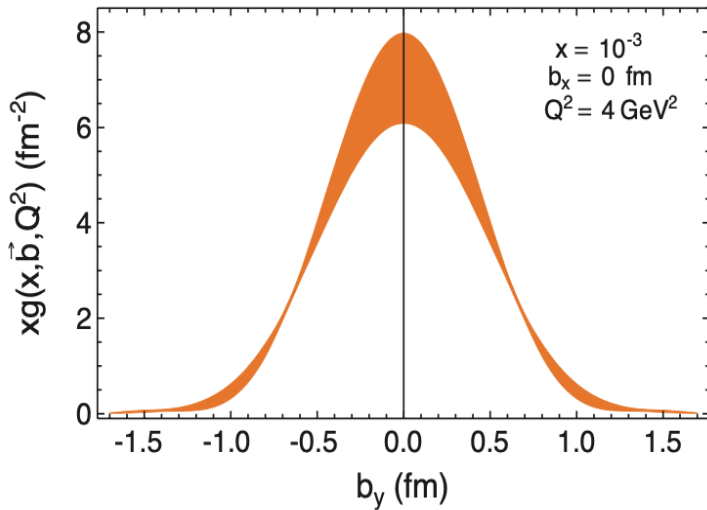
Effective "proton radius" in terms of quarks as a function of  $x_B$

# Imaging the Gluon at the EIC (White Paper)

## Exclusive vector meson production:

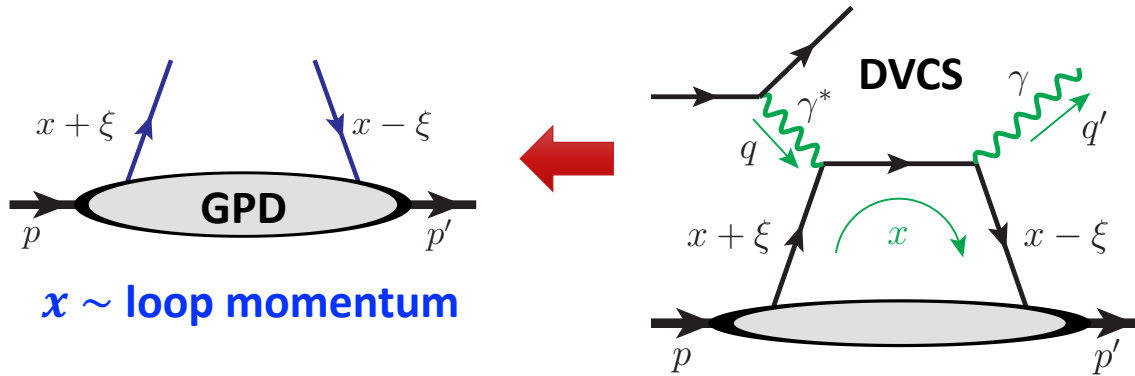


## Spatial distributions:



# Why is the GPD's $x$ -dependence so *difficult* to measure?

## Amplitude nature: exclusive processes



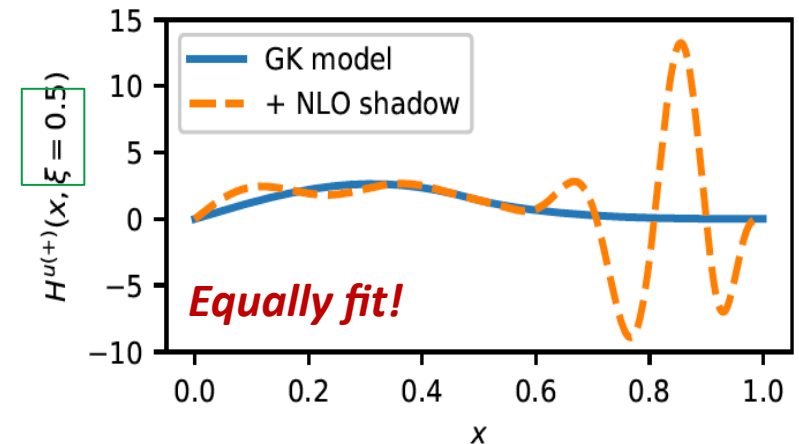
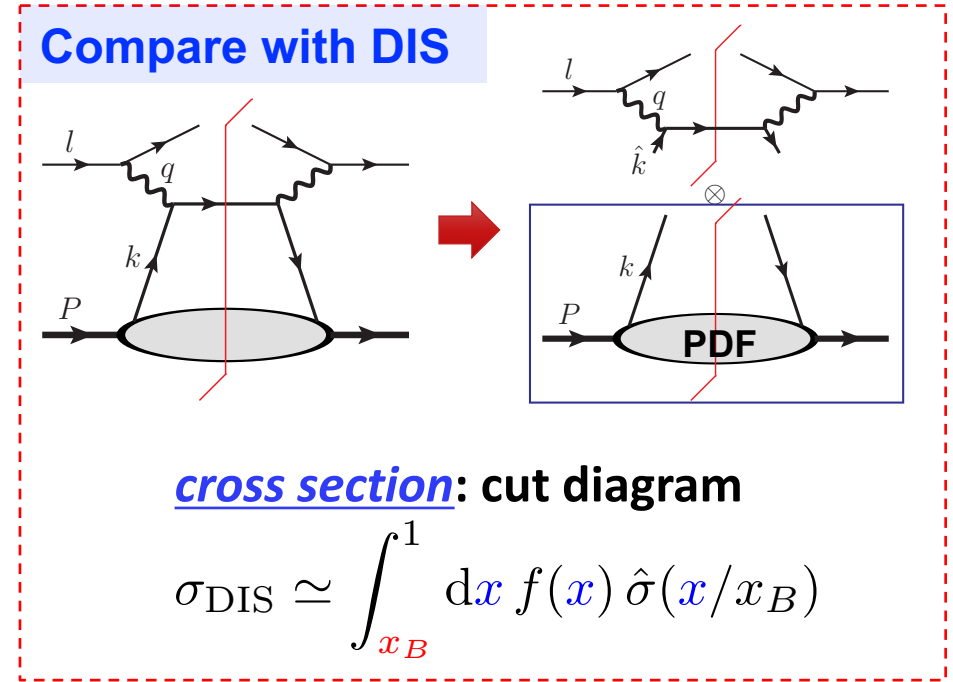
$$i\mathcal{M} \sim \int_{-1}^1 dx F(x, \xi, t) \cdot C(x, \xi; Q/\mu)$$

Full range of  $x$ , including  $x = 0$ ;  $x = \pm\xi$

## Sensitivity to $x$ : comes from $C(x, \xi; Q/\mu)$

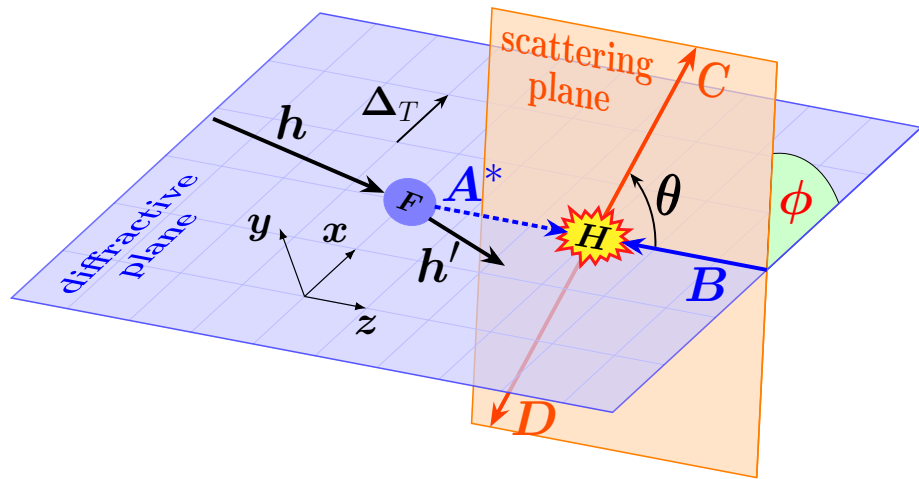
$$C(x, \xi; Q/\mu) = T(Q/\mu) \cdot G(x, \xi) \propto \frac{1}{x - \xi + i\epsilon} \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow i\mathcal{M} \propto \int_{-1}^1 dx \frac{F(x, \xi, t)}{x - \xi + i\epsilon} \equiv "F_0(\xi, t)" \quad \text{"moment"}$$



[Bertone et al. PRD '21]

# Where does the **$x$ -sensitivity** come from?



□  **$x$ -sensitivity  $\Leftrightarrow 2 \rightarrow 2$  hard scattering:**

**Kinematics:**

1.  $\hat{s} = 2 \xi s / (1 + \xi)$  ←  $\xi$
2.  $\theta$  or  $q_T = (\sqrt{\hat{s}}/2) \sin\theta$  ↔  $x$
3.  $\phi$  ←  $(A^*B)$  spin states

$$\mathcal{M}(Q, \phi) \simeq \sum_A e^{i(\lambda_A - \lambda_B)\phi} \cdot \int_{-1}^1 dx F_A(x) C_A(x; Q) \quad (Q = \theta \text{ or } q_T)$$

[suppressing  $t$  and  $\xi$  dependence]

■ **Moment-type sensitivity:**  $C(x; Q) = G(x) \cdot T(Q)$  →  $F_G = \int_{-1}^1 dx G(x) F(x, \xi, t)$  **Independent of  $Q$**   
**Scaling for  $F_G$**

→ **Inversion problem:** shadow GPD  $S_G = \int_{-1}^1 dx G(x) S(x, \xi) = 0$  [Bertone et al. PRD '21]

■ **Enhanced sensitivity:**  $C(x; Q) \neq G(x) \cdot T(Q)$  →  $d\sigma/dQ \sim |C(x; Q) \otimes_x F(x, \xi, t)|^2$



# Moment-type Sensitivity: $h(p) + B(p_2) \rightarrow h'(p') + C(q_1) + D(q_2)$

PRD56 (1997) 5524; PRD58 (1998) 094018; PRD59 (1999) 074009

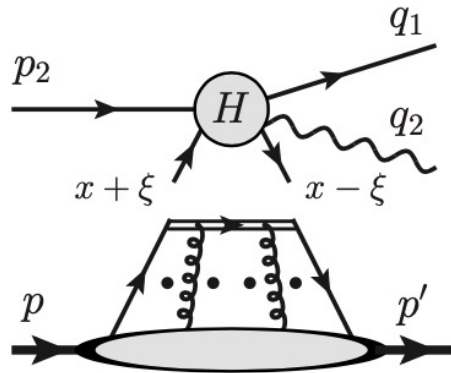
## □ DVCS:

$h(p) = \text{Proton}(p)$ ,  $h'(p') = \text{Proton}(p')$ ,  $B(p_2) = \text{electron}(p_2)$ ,  $C(q_1) = \text{electron}(q_1)$ ,  $D(q_2) = \text{photon}(q_2)$

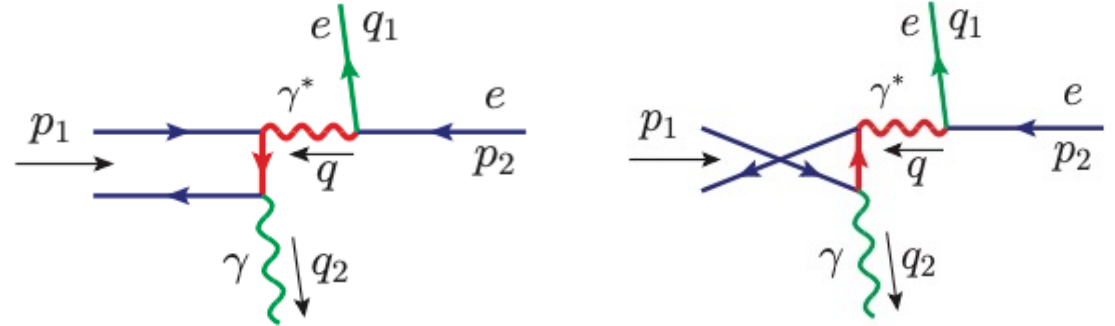
### Factorization:

$$\xi = \frac{(p - p')^+}{(p + p')^+}$$

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



### LO:

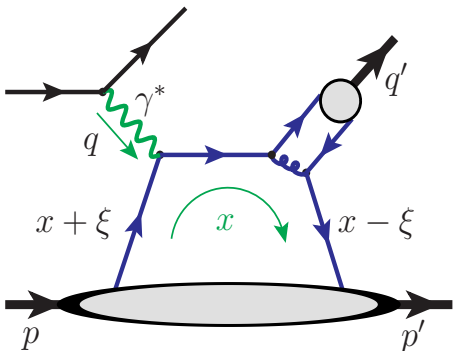


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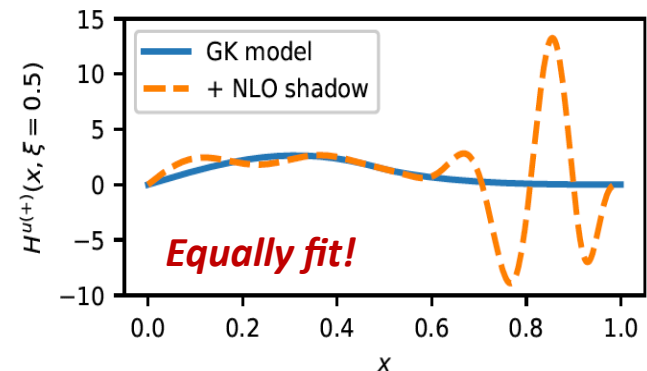
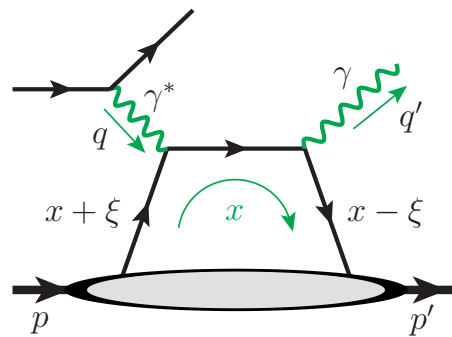
$$\mathcal{M}_{he \rightarrow h'e\gamma}^{(2)} = \sum_i \int_{-1}^1 dx F_i^h(x, \xi, t) C_{ie \rightarrow e\gamma}(x, \xi, q_T),$$

**The  $x$ -integration is NOT sensitive to externally measured hard scale,  $q_T$  or  $Q^2$ !**  
**Need a very large range of  $Q^2$ , but, cross section is strongly suppressed!**

## □ DVMP:



Similar to



**Equally fit!**

[Bertone et al. PRD '21]

# What Kind of Process Could be Sensitive to the $x$ -Dependence?

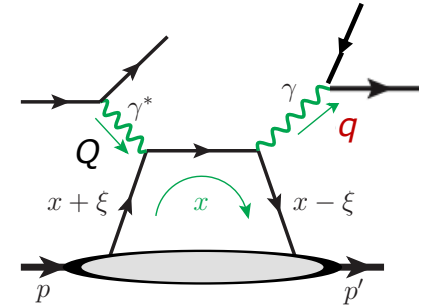
- Create an entanglement between the internal  $x$  and an externally measured variable?

$$i\mathcal{M} \propto \int_{-1}^1 dx \frac{F(x, \xi, t)}{x - x_p(\xi, q) + i\epsilon}$$

Change external  $q$  to sample different part of  $x$ .

- Double DVCS (two scales):

$$x_p(\xi, q) = \xi \left( \frac{1 - q^2/Q^2}{1 + q^2/Q^2} \right) \rightarrow \xi \text{ same as DVCS if } q \rightarrow 0$$

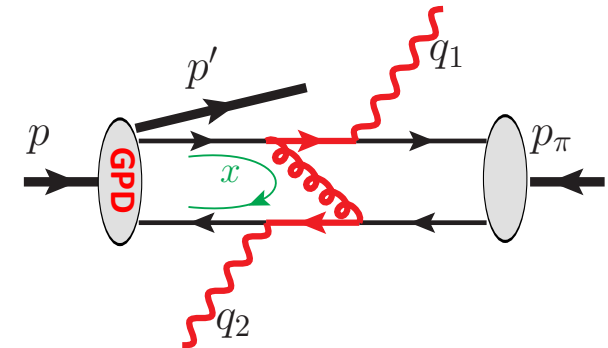


- Production of two back-to-back high  $p_T$  particles (say, two photons):

$$\pi^-(p_\pi) + P(p) \rightarrow \gamma(q_1) + \gamma(q_2) + N(p')$$

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Hard scale:  $q_T \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$     Soft scale:  $t \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2$



- Factorization:

$$\mathcal{M}(t, \xi, q_T) = \int_{-1}^1 dx F(x, \xi, t; \mu) \cdot C(x, \xi; q_T/\mu) + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/q_T) \quad \text{[suppressing pion DA factor]}$$

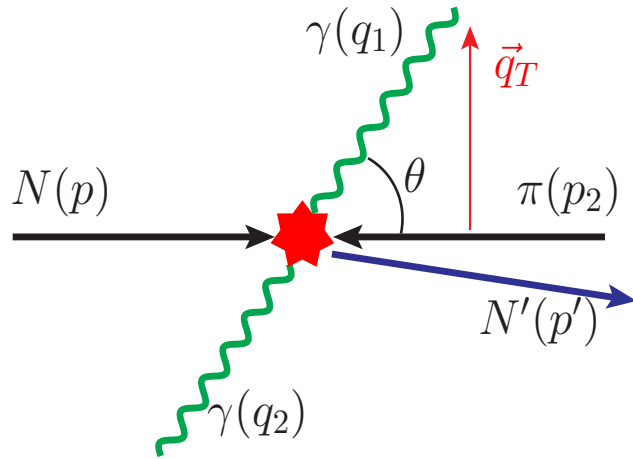
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt d\xi dq_T} \sim |\mathcal{M}(t, \xi, q_T)|^2$$

$q_T$  distribution is "conjugate" to  $x$  distribution

$$x \leftrightarrow q_T$$

# Enhanced $x$ -Sensitivity: (1) Diphoton Meso-production

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In addition to

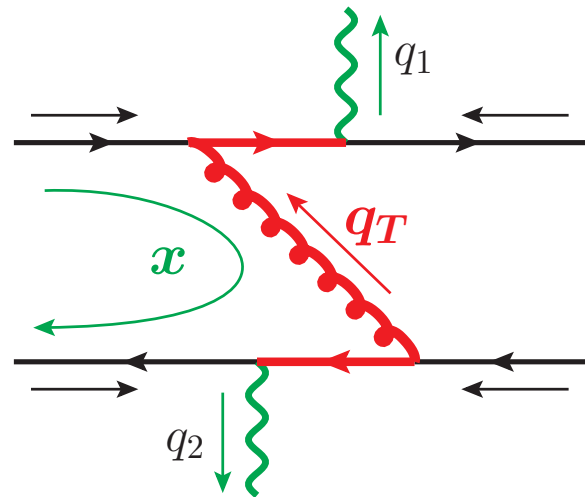
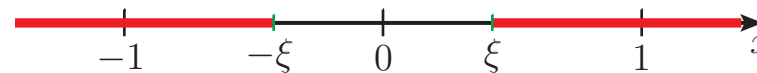
$$F_0(\xi, t) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx F(x, \xi, t)}{x - \xi + i\epsilon}$$

When two photons are radiated from the same charged line

$i\mathcal{M}$  also contains

$$I(t, \xi; z, \theta) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx F(x, \xi, t)}{x - \rho(z; \theta) + i\epsilon \operatorname{sgn}[\cos^2(\theta/2) - z]}$$

$$\rho(z; \theta) = \xi \cdot \left[ \frac{1 - z + \tan^2(\theta/2) z}{1 - z - \tan^2(\theta/2) z} \right] \in (-\infty, -\xi] \cup [\xi, \infty)$$



# Enhanced $x$ -Sensitivity: (1) Diphoton Meso-production

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□ **Diphoton process:**  $N\pi \rightarrow N'\gamma\gamma$ : (1)  $p\pi^- \rightarrow n\gamma\gamma$ ; (2)  $n\pi^+ \rightarrow p\gamma\gamma$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d|t|d\xi d\cos\theta} = 2\pi \left( \alpha_e \alpha_s \frac{C_F}{N_c} \right)^2 \frac{1}{\xi^2 s^3} \cdot \left[ (1 - \xi^2) \sum_{\alpha=\pm} \left( |\mathcal{M}_\alpha^{[\tilde{H}]}|^2 + |\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_\alpha^{[H]}|^2 \right) - \left( \xi^2 + \frac{t}{4m^2} \right) \sum_{\alpha=\pm} |\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_\alpha^{[E]}|^2 - \frac{\xi^2 t}{4m^2} \sum_{\alpha=\pm} |\mathcal{M}_\alpha^{[\tilde{E}]}|^2 - 2\xi^2 \sum_{\alpha=\pm} \text{Re} \left( \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_\alpha^{[H]} \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_\alpha^{[E]*} + \mathcal{M}_\alpha^{[\tilde{H}]} \mathcal{M}_\alpha^{[\tilde{E}]*} \right) \right]$$

**Nucleon transition GPDs**

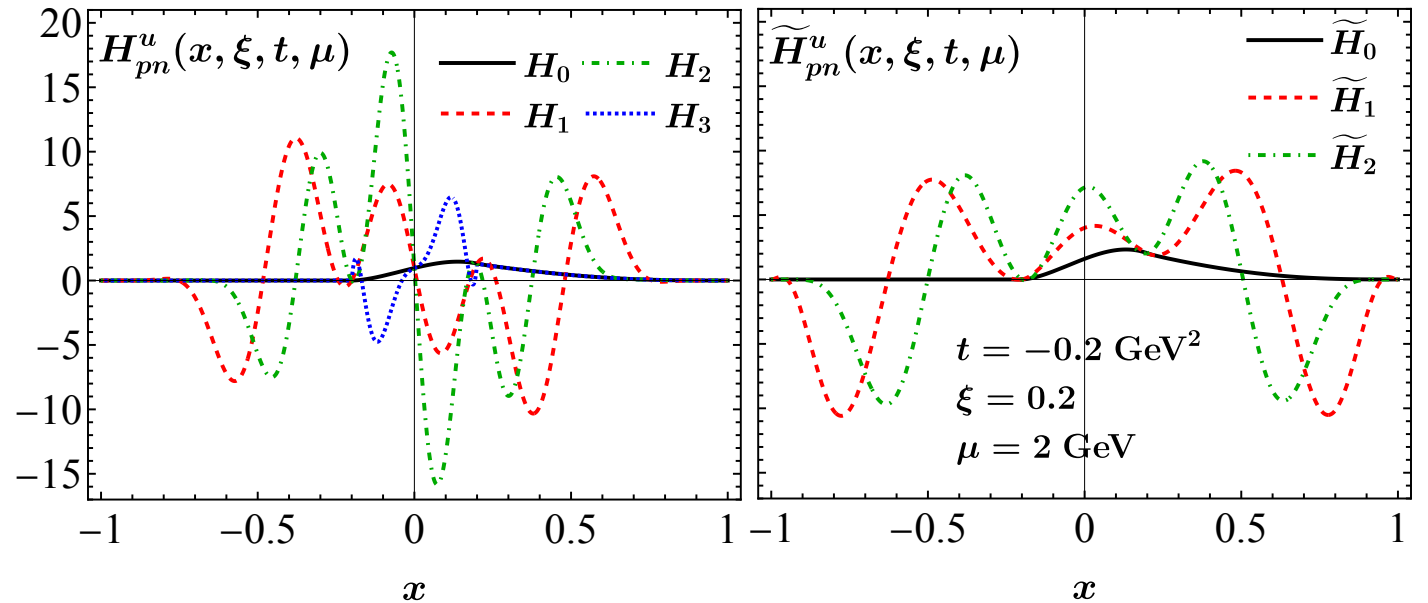
$$H_{pn}^u = H_p^u - H_p^d, \text{ etc.}$$

**GPD models = GK model + shadow GPDs**

Goloskokov & Kroll, '05, '07, '09

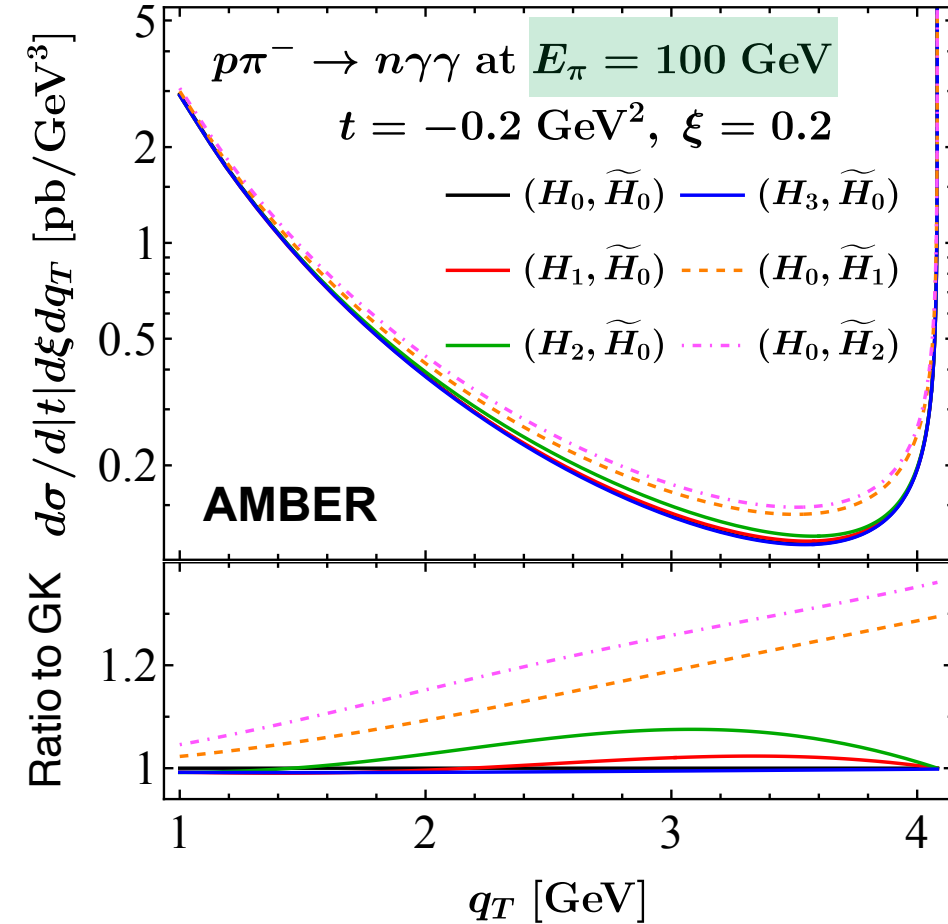
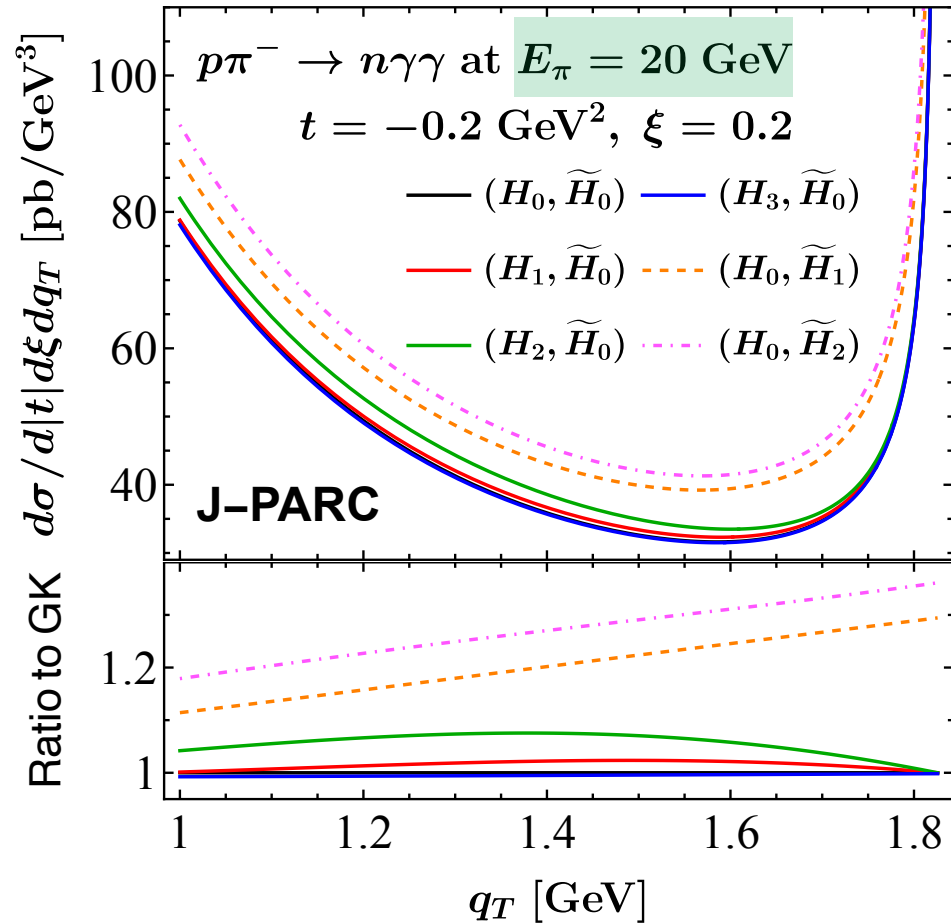
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$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx S(x, \xi)}{x - \xi \pm i\epsilon} = 0$$



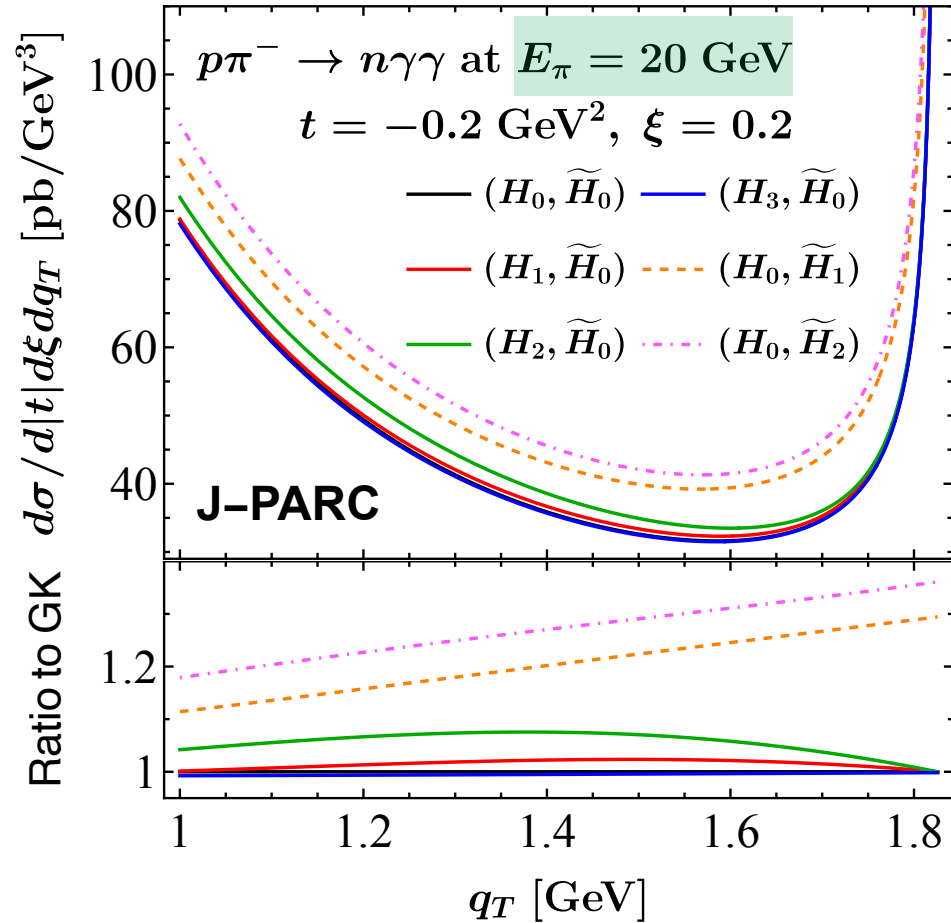
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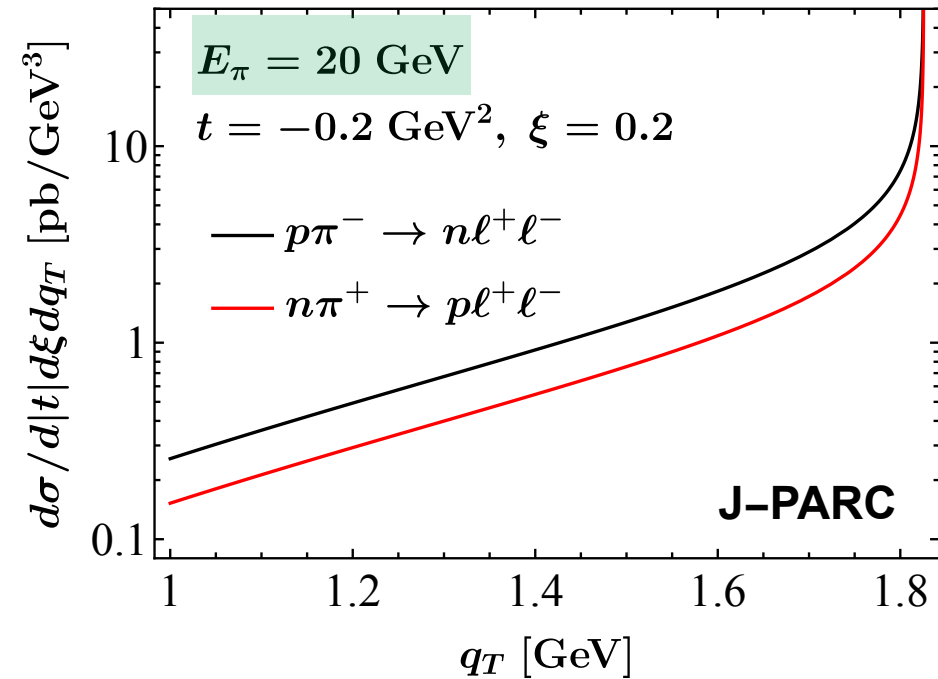
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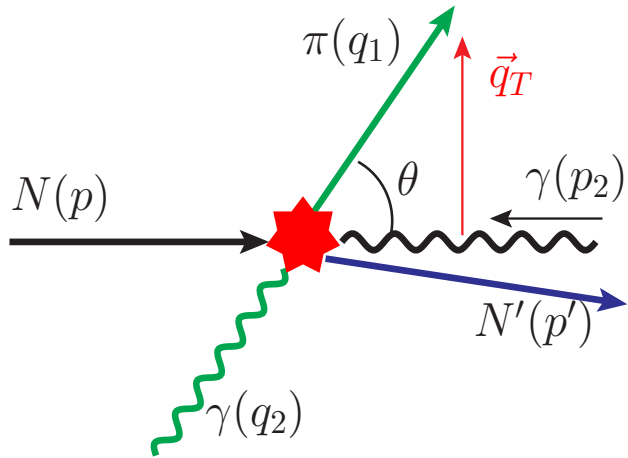
## Exclusive Drell-Yan dilepton production

$$N + \pi \rightarrow N' + \gamma^* [\rightarrow \ell^+ + \ell^-]$$



- Lower rate
- Blind to shadow GPDs

# Enhanced $x$ -Sensitivity: (2) $\gamma$ - $\pi$ Pair Photoproduction



$i\mathcal{M}$  also contains the special integral:

$$I'(t, \xi; z, \theta) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx F(x, \xi, t)}{x - \rho'(z; \theta) + i\epsilon}$$

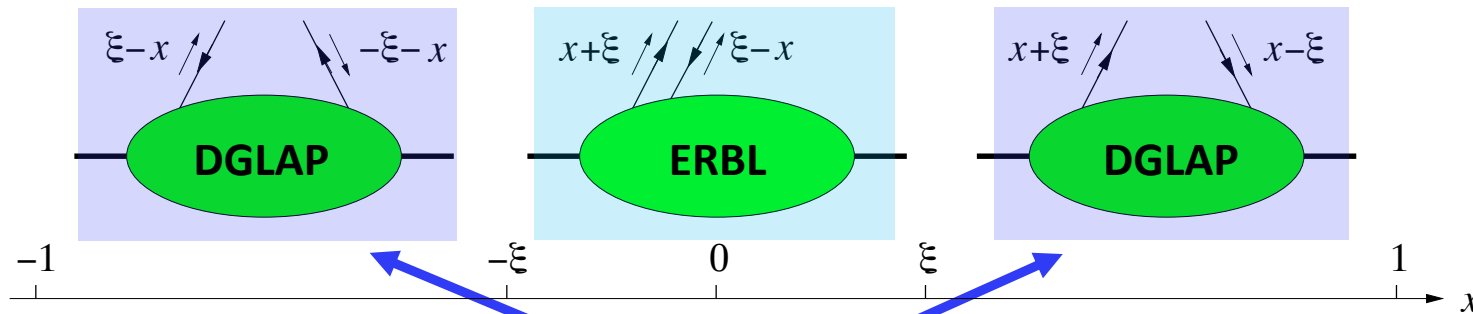
$$\rho'(z; \theta) = \xi \cdot \left[ \frac{\cos^2(\theta/2) (1 - z) - z}{\cos^2(\theta/2) (1 - z) + z} \right] \in [-\xi, \xi]$$

For DVCS/DVMP

$$\rho'(z, \theta) \rightarrow \xi$$



➔ Complementary sensitivity:

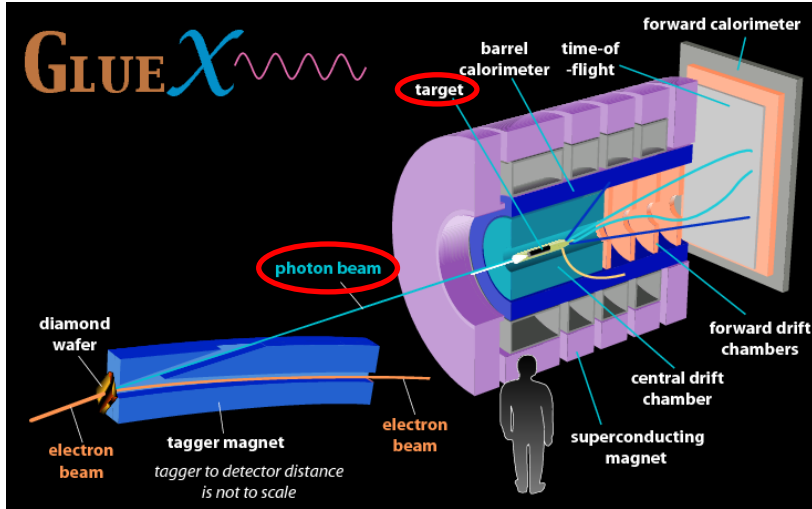


$$N \pi \rightarrow N' \gamma \gamma$$

- G. Duplancic et al., JHEP 11 (2018) 179
- G. Duplancic et al., JHEP 03 (2023) 241
- G. Duplancic et al., PRD 107 (2023), 094023
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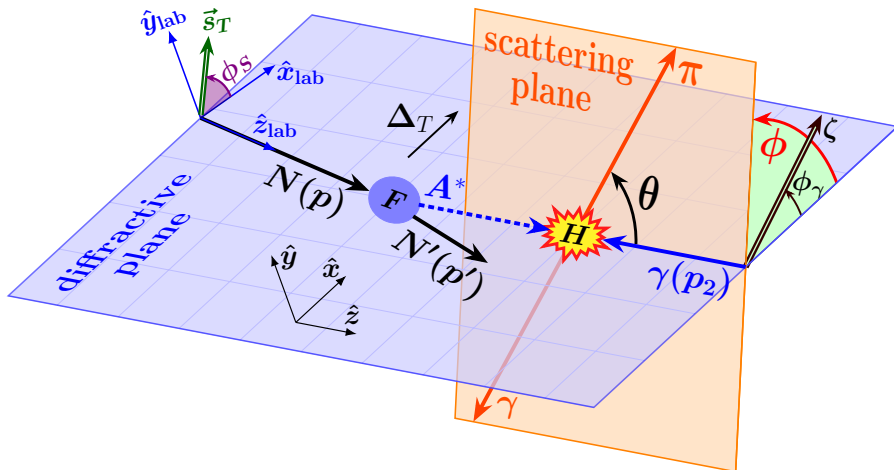
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## □ Polarization asymmetries:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d|t| d\xi d \cos \theta d\phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{d|t| d\xi d \cos \theta} \cdot [1 + \lambda_N \lambda_\gamma A_{LL} + \zeta A_{UT} \cos 2(\phi - \phi_\gamma) + \lambda_N \zeta A_{LT} \sin 2(\phi - \phi_\gamma)]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d|t| d\xi d \cos \theta} = \pi (\alpha_e \alpha_s)^2 \left( \frac{C_F}{N_c} \right)^2 \frac{1 - \xi^2}{\xi^2 s^3} \Sigma_{UU}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{UU} &= |\mathcal{M}_+^{[\tilde{H}]}|^2 + |\mathcal{M}_-^{[\tilde{H}]}|^2 + |\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_+^{[H]}|^2 + |\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_-^{[H]}|^2, \\ A_{LL} &= 2 \Sigma_{UU}^{-1} \text{Re} \left[ \mathcal{M}_+^{[\tilde{H}]} \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_+^{[H]*} + \mathcal{M}_-^{[\tilde{H}]} \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_-^{[H]*} \right], \\ A_{UT} &= 2 \Sigma_{UU}^{-1} \text{Re} \left[ \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_+^{[H]} \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_-^{[H]*} - \mathcal{M}_+^{[\tilde{H}]} \mathcal{M}_-^{[\tilde{H}]*} \right], \\ A_{LT} &= 2 \Sigma_{UU}^{-1} \text{Im} \left[ \mathcal{M}_+^{[\tilde{H}]} \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_-^{[H]*} + \mathcal{M}_-^{[\tilde{H}]} \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_+^{[H]*} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Neglecting: (1)  $E$  and  $\tilde{E}$ ; (2) gluon channel

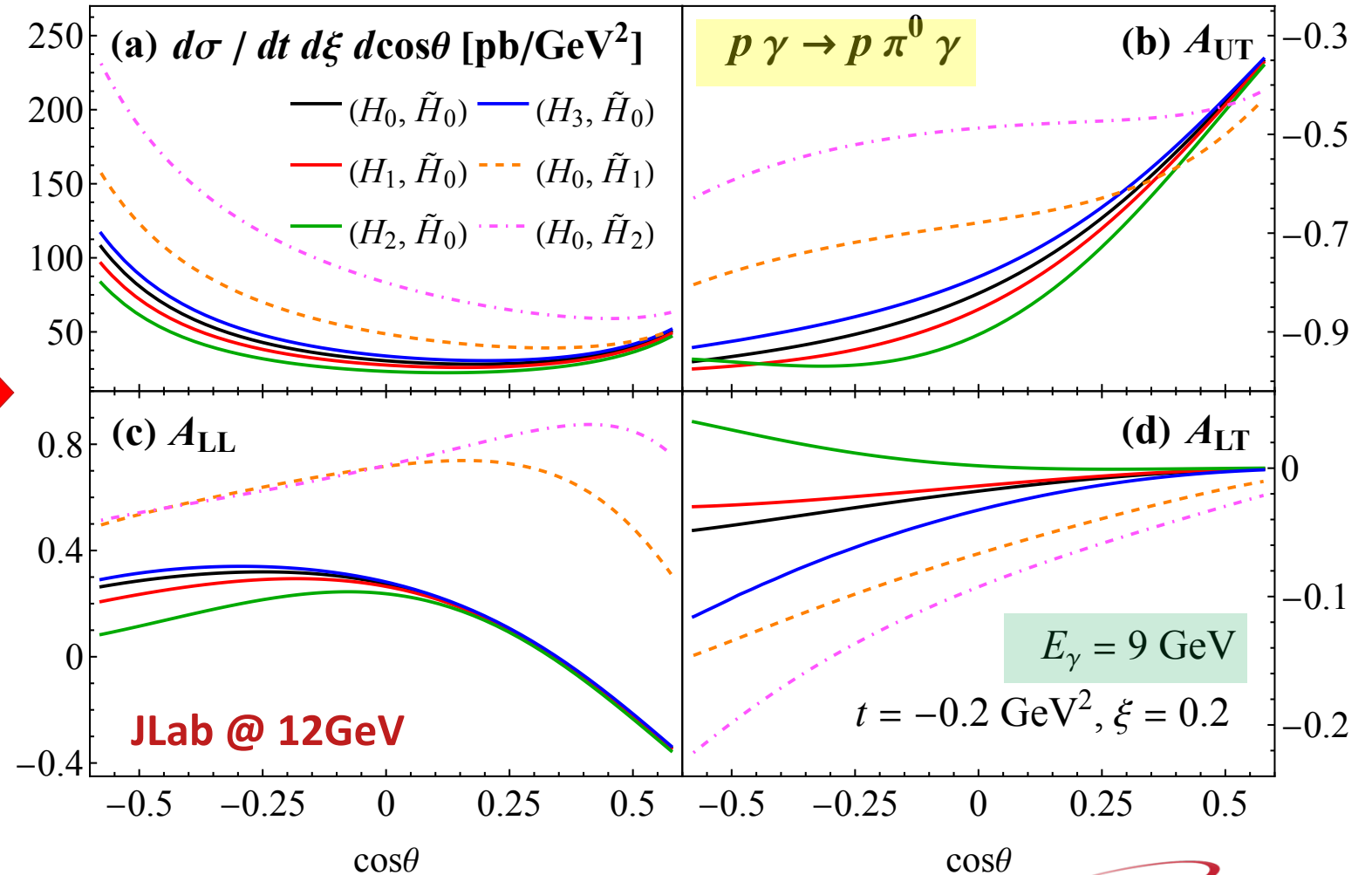
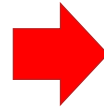
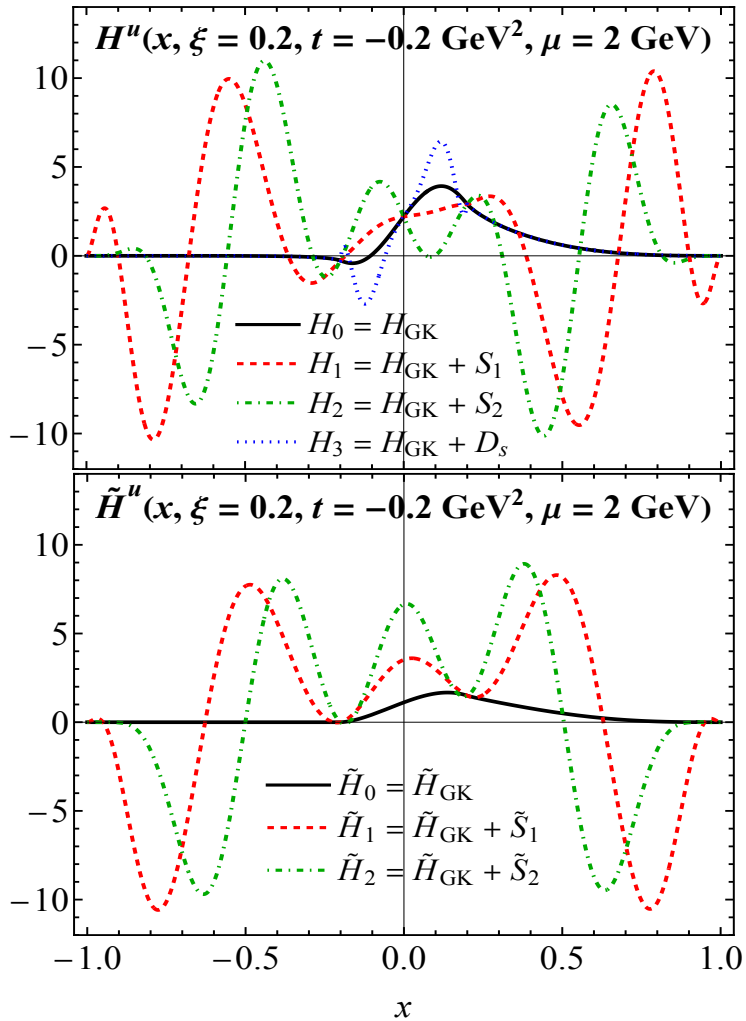


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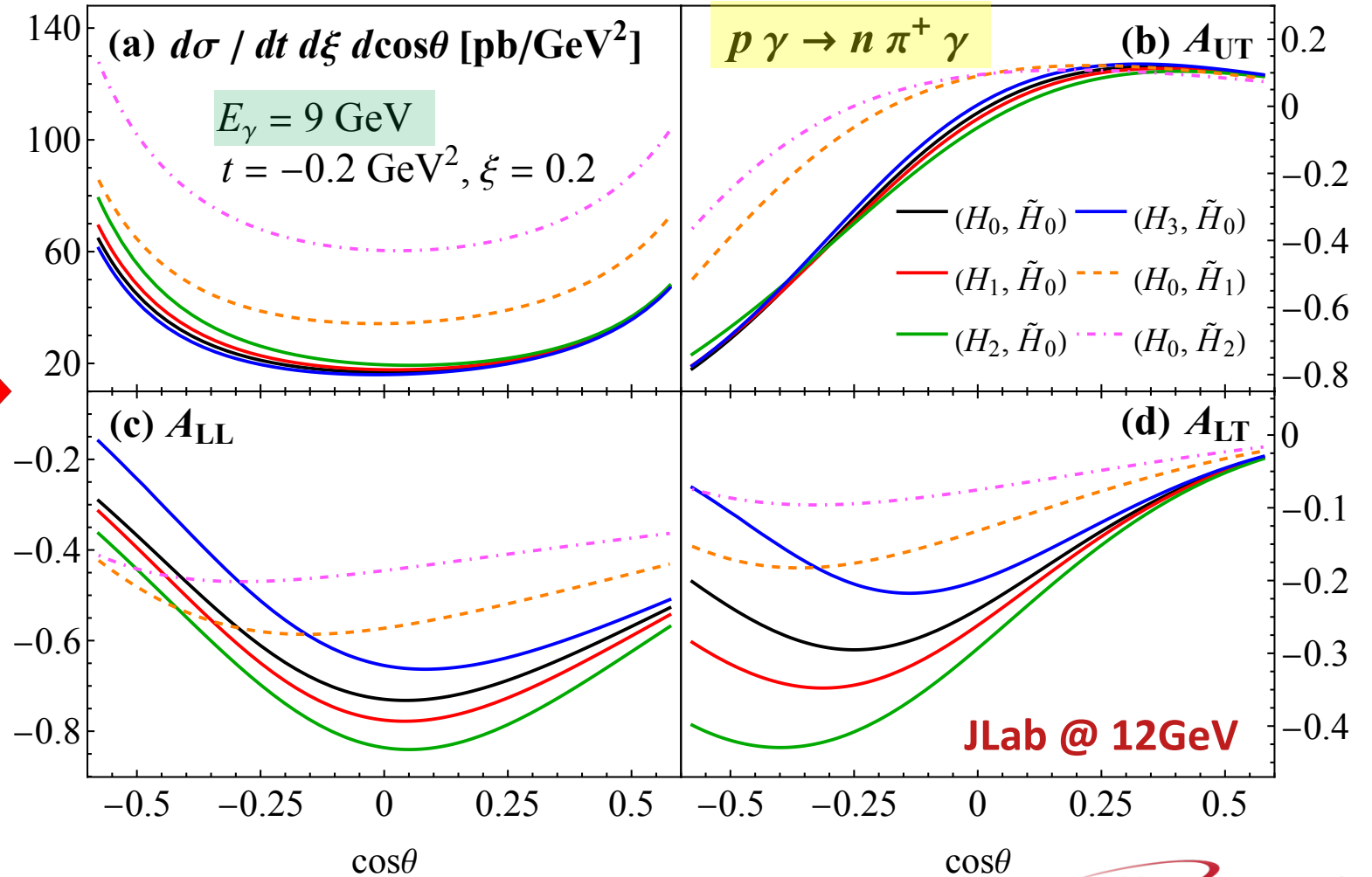
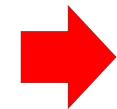
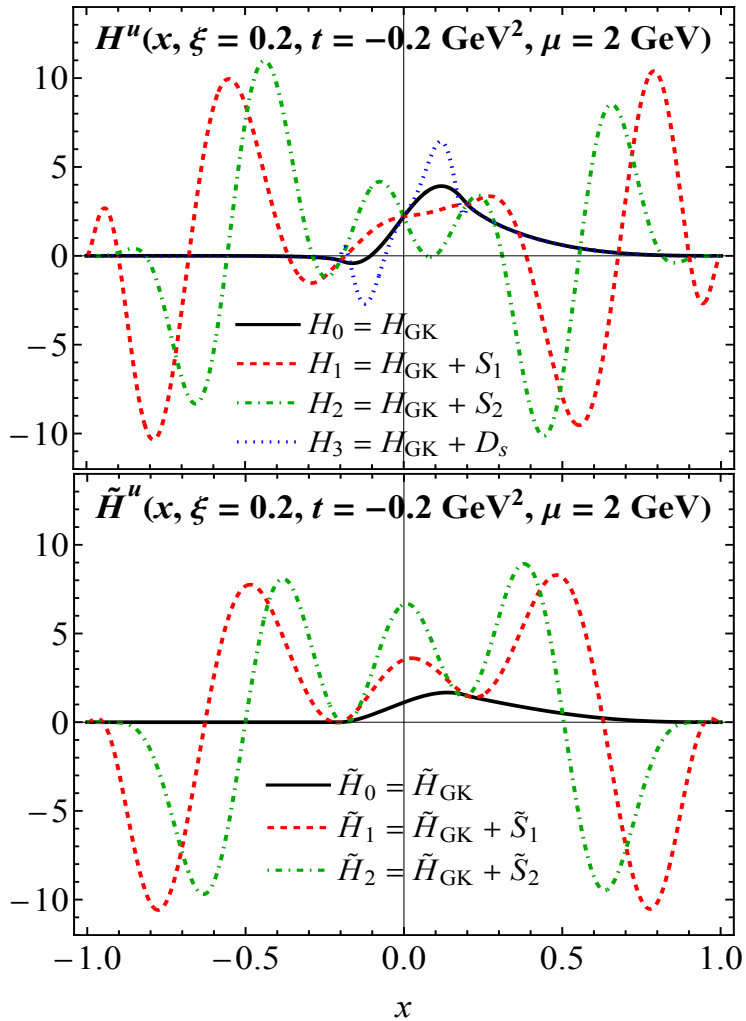


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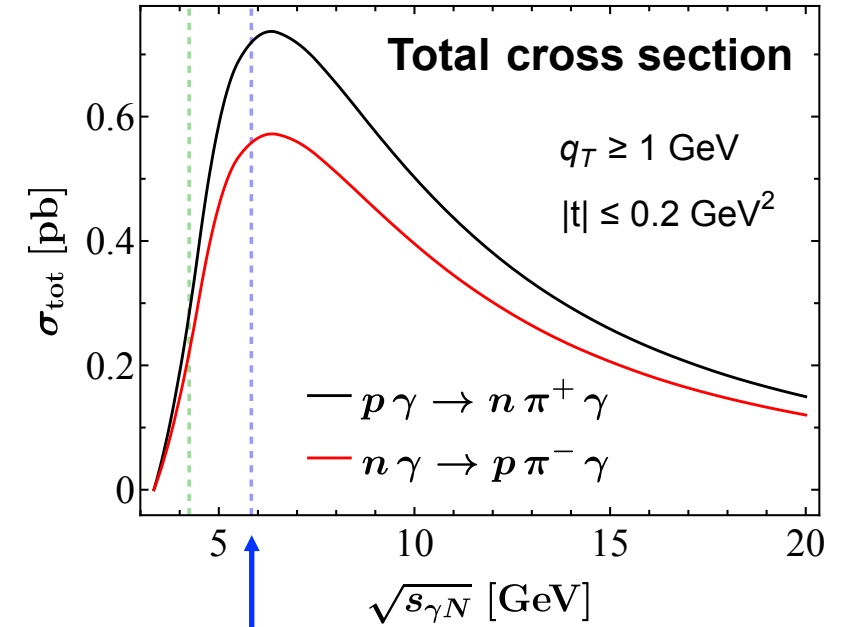
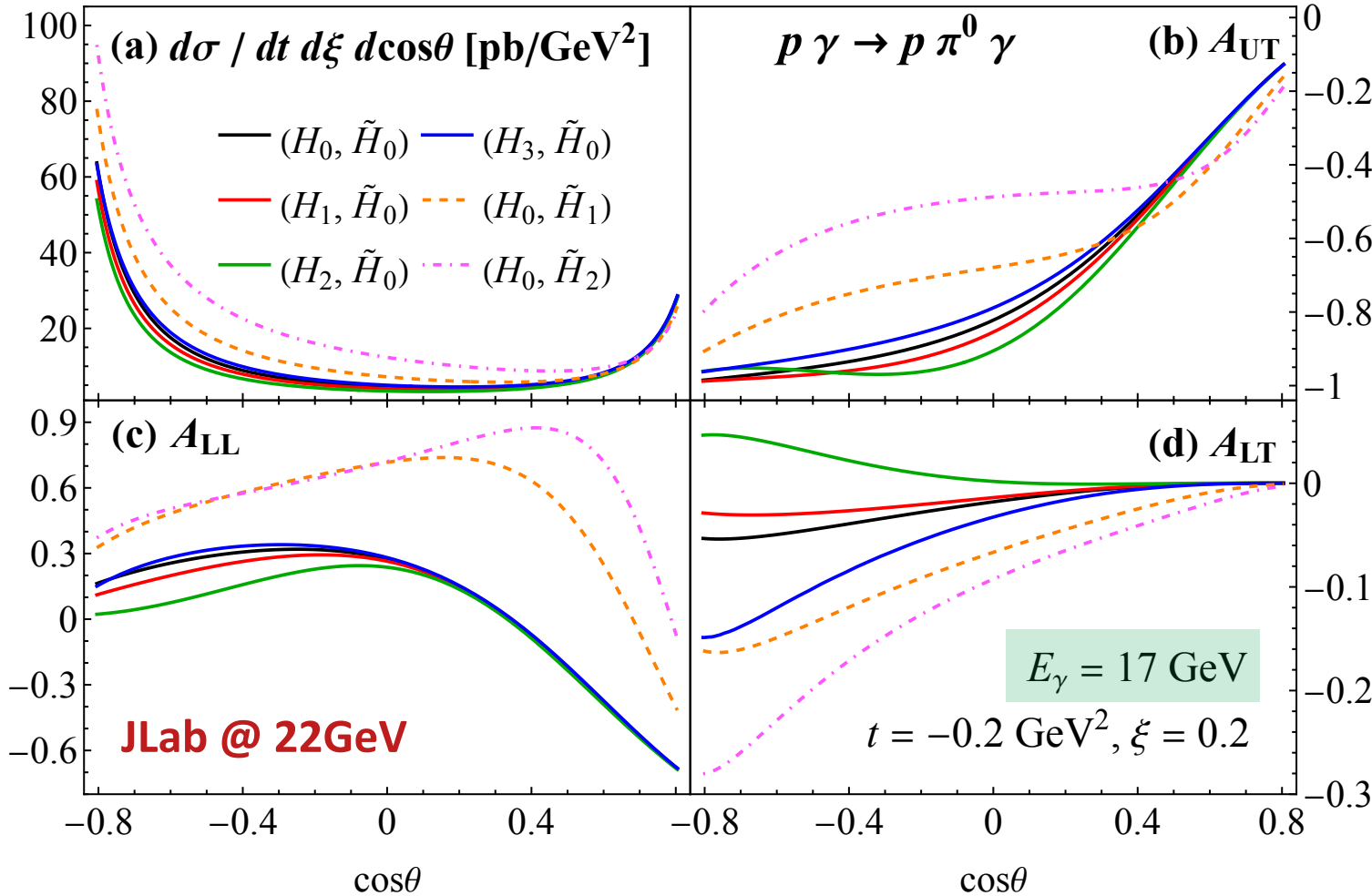
# Enhanced $x$ -sensitivity: (2) $\gamma$ - $\pi$ pair photoproduction (at upgraded energy)

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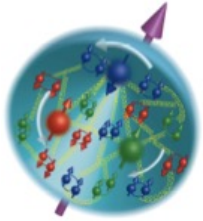


JLab @ 22GeV

A. Accardi et al.  
 [arXiv:2306.09360]

# How does the mass of the nucleon arise?

## ☐ Nucleon Mass – dominates the Mass of visible world!



Nucleon – a relativistic bound state of quarks and gluons

Mass is the **Energy** of the nucleon when it is at the **Rest!**

**Mass = Rest Mass of quarks and gluons + Energy of their motion**

## ☐ Higgs mechanism is NOT enough – mass without mass!

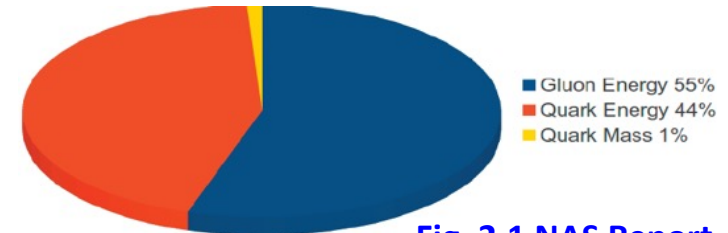


Fig. 2.1 NAS Report

**Higgs mechanism is far from enough!!!**



**Energy of Confined Motion of quarks and gluons**

## ☐ Consistency check:

Bag model:



▪ Kinetic energy of three quarks:

$$K_q \sim 3/R$$

▪ Bag energy (bag constant B):

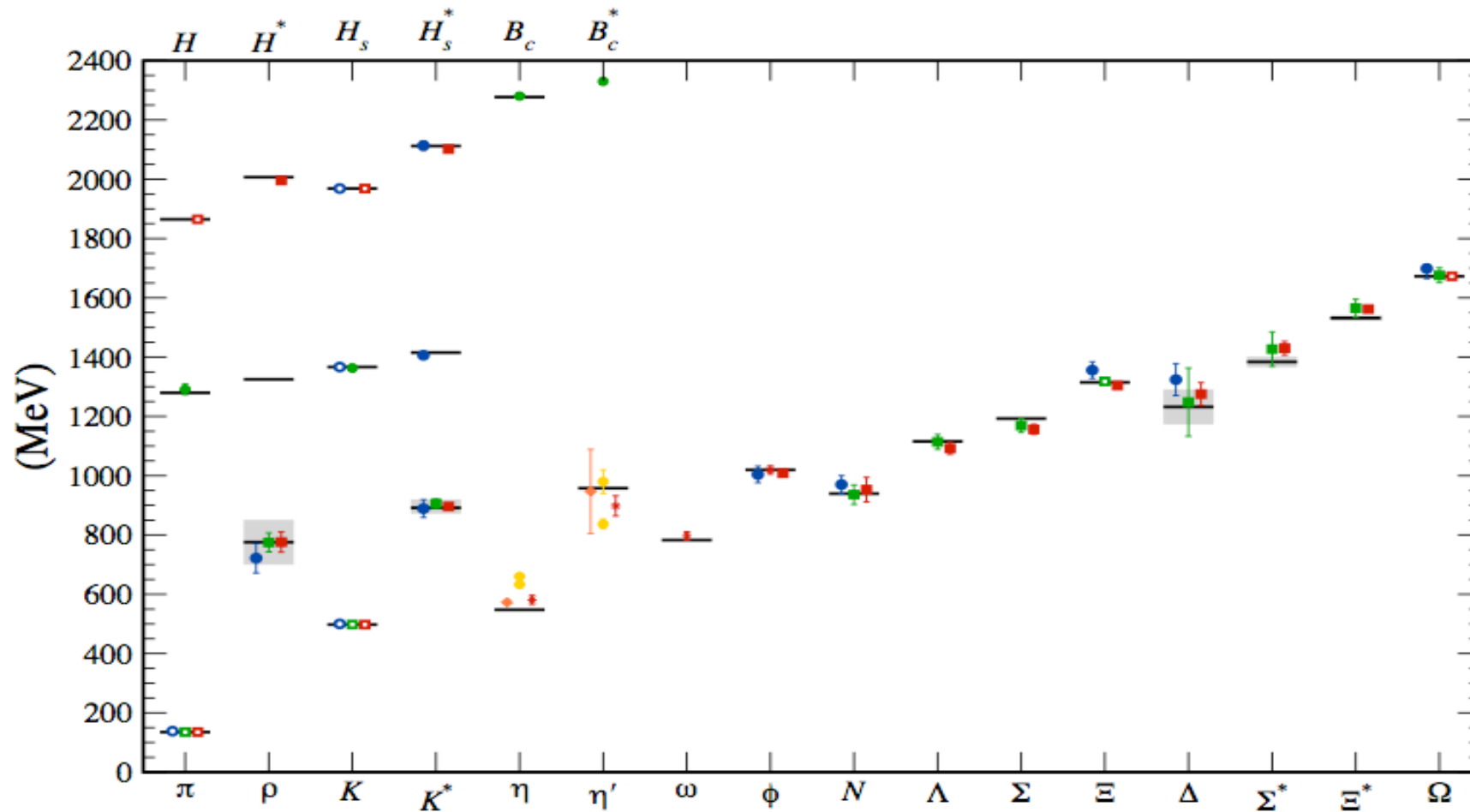
$$T_b = \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3 B$$

▪ Minimize  $K + T$ :

$$M_p \sim \frac{4}{R} \sim \frac{4}{0.84\text{fm}} \sim 938 \text{ MeV}$$

# Who ordered the hadron mass scale?

## □ Hadron mass from lattice QCD calculation:



*QCD is the right theory!*

*How to quantify and verify this, theoretically and experimentally?*

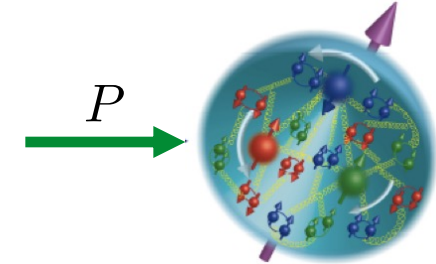
# Mass of Nucleon in QCD

## □ Decomposition of the trace of EMT:

### Trace of the QCD energy-momentum tensor:

$$T^\alpha_\alpha = \underbrace{\frac{\beta(g)}{2g} F^{\mu\nu,a} F^a_{\mu\nu}}_{\text{QCD trace anomaly}} + \sum_{q=u,d,s} \underbrace{m_q (1 + \gamma_m) \bar{\psi}_q \psi_q}_{\text{Chiral symmetry breaking}}$$

$$\beta(g) = -(11 - 2n_f/3) g^3 / (4\pi)^2 + \dots$$



$$\langle P | T^\alpha_\alpha(0) | P \rangle = 2P^2 = 2M_n^2$$

➔ 
$$\langle T^\alpha_\alpha \rangle = \frac{\langle P | T^\alpha_\alpha(0) | P \rangle}{2P^0} = \frac{M_n^2}{P^0}$$

➔ 
$$M_n = \langle T^\alpha_\alpha \rangle|_{\text{at rest}}$$

Without separating the quark from gluon contribution to EMT

In the nucleon's rest frame,

$$\underbrace{\langle \int d^3r T^\mu_\mu \rangle}_{= M} = \underbrace{\langle \int d^3r T^{00} \rangle}_{= M} - \sum_i \underbrace{\langle \int d^3r T^{ii} \rangle}_{= 0}$$

Nucleon mass: ***Gluon quantum effect + Chiral symmetry breaking!***

**The sigma-term can be calculated in LQCD, Need the trace anomaly to test the sum rule!**

# Mass of Nucleon in QCD

C. Lorcé and et al, JHEP11 2021

□ Decompositions of  $\sum_{f=q,g} T_f^{00}$ :

$$M = \underbrace{\langle \int d^3r \bar{\psi} \gamma^0 i D^0 \psi \rangle - \langle \int d^3r \bar{\psi} m \psi \rangle}_{\text{Quark kinetic and potential energy}} + \underbrace{\langle \int d^3r \bar{\psi} m \psi \rangle}_{\text{Quark rest mass energy}} + \underbrace{\langle \int d^3r \frac{1}{2} (\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2) \rangle}_{\text{Gluon total energy}}$$

□ Ji's decomposition:

X. Ji, PRL 1995

$$T_a^{00} = \underbrace{\bar{T}_a^{00}}_{= \frac{3}{4} T_a^{00} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_i T_a^{ii}} + \underbrace{\hat{T}_a^{00}}_{= \frac{1}{4} T_a^{00} - \frac{1}{4} \sum_i T_a^{ii}} \quad a = q, g$$

$\rightarrow M_n = \sum_{f=q,g} \frac{\langle P | T_f^{00}(0) | P \rangle}{2P^0} \Big|_{\text{cm}} = M_q + M_g + M_m + M_a$

Quark Energy  $\langle \bar{T}_q^{00} \rangle$       Gluon Energy  $\langle \bar{T}_g^{00} \rangle$       Quark Mass  $\langle \hat{T}_q^{00} \rangle$   
 Trace Anomaly  $\langle \hat{T}_g^{00} \rangle$   
 Relativistic motion       $\chi$  Symmetry Breaking      Quantum fluctuation

Different interpretation!

# Mass of Nucleon in QCD

## □ Ji's interpretation:

Quark Energy  $\langle \hat{T}_q^{00} \rangle$  :  $M_q = \frac{3}{4} \left( M \sum_q \langle x \rangle_q - \sum_q \sigma_q \right)$

Gluon Energy  $\langle \hat{T}_g^{00} \rangle$  :  $M_g = \frac{3}{4} M \langle x \rangle_g$

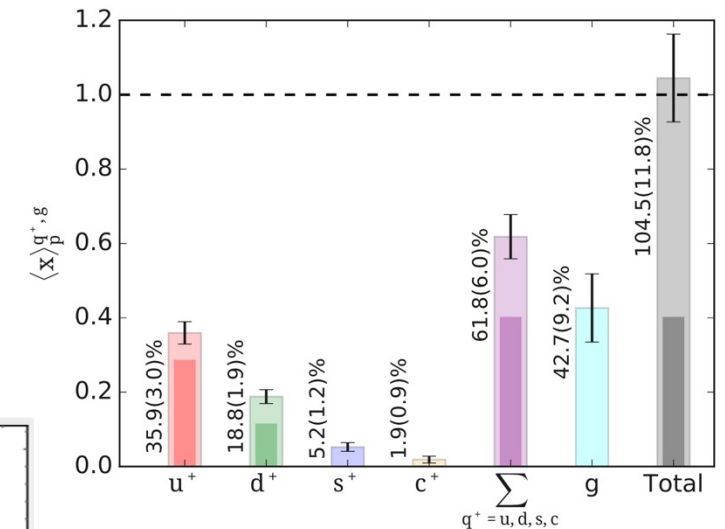
Quark Mass  $\langle \hat{T}_q^{00} \rangle$  :  $M_m = \sum_q \sigma_q$

Trace Anomaly  $\langle \hat{T}_g^{00} \rangle$  :  $M_a = \frac{\gamma_m}{4} \sum_q \sigma_q - \frac{\beta(g)}{4g} (E^2 + B^2)$

Note:  $\langle x \rangle_f$  and  $\sigma_q$  are calculable in lattice QCD

## Parton momentum fraction:

$$\langle x \rangle_f = \int_0^1 dx x f(x, \mu^2)$$

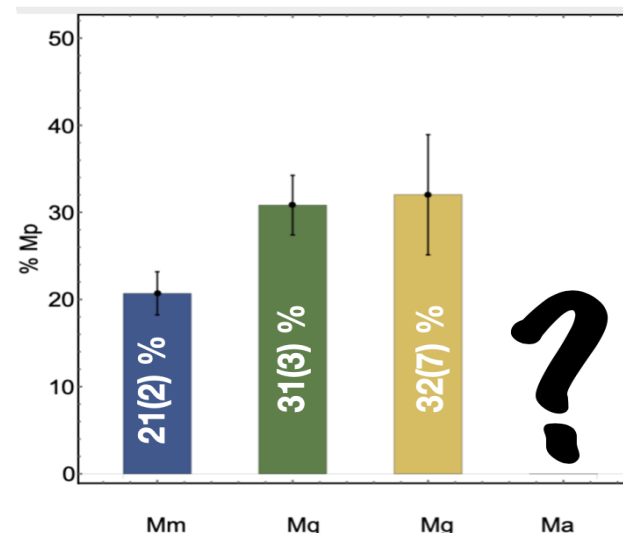


## □ LQCD calculation:

### Quark sigma-term:

$$\sigma_q = \frac{\langle P | \bar{\psi}_q(0) m_q \psi_q(0) | P \rangle}{2P^0}$$

	u + d	s	c
$\sigma$ [MeV]	41.6(3.8)	45.6(6.2)	107(22)



Access the trace anomaly Indirectly?

$$M_a = \frac{M}{4} - \sum_q \frac{\sigma_q}{4}$$

Or by experiment?

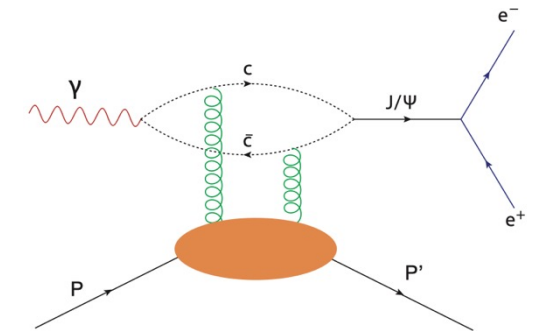
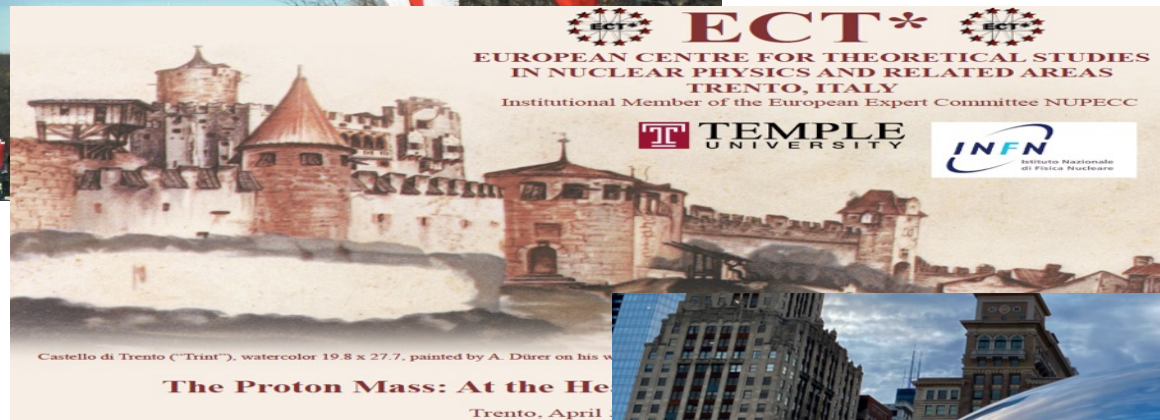


# The Proton Mass – What is the next?

## □ Three-pronged approach to explore the origin of hadron mass

- Lattice QCD
- Mass decomposition – roles of the constituents
- Model calculation – approximated analytical approach

- Finding the trace anomaly:



Two gluons may not be factorized into

$$F^{\mu\nu,a} F^a_{\mu\nu}$$

INT workshop (INT-20-77W):

*Origin of the Visible Universe:*

*Unraveling the Proton Mass*

June 13-17, 2022,

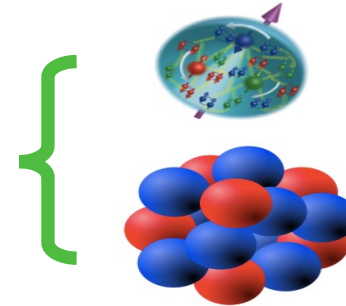
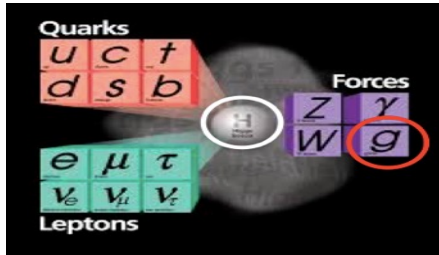
I. Cloet, Z.-E. Meziani, B. Pasquini



*Actively thinking where to hold the next one?*

# Emergent Properties of Dense Systems of Gluons?

## □ Understanding the Glue that binds us all:

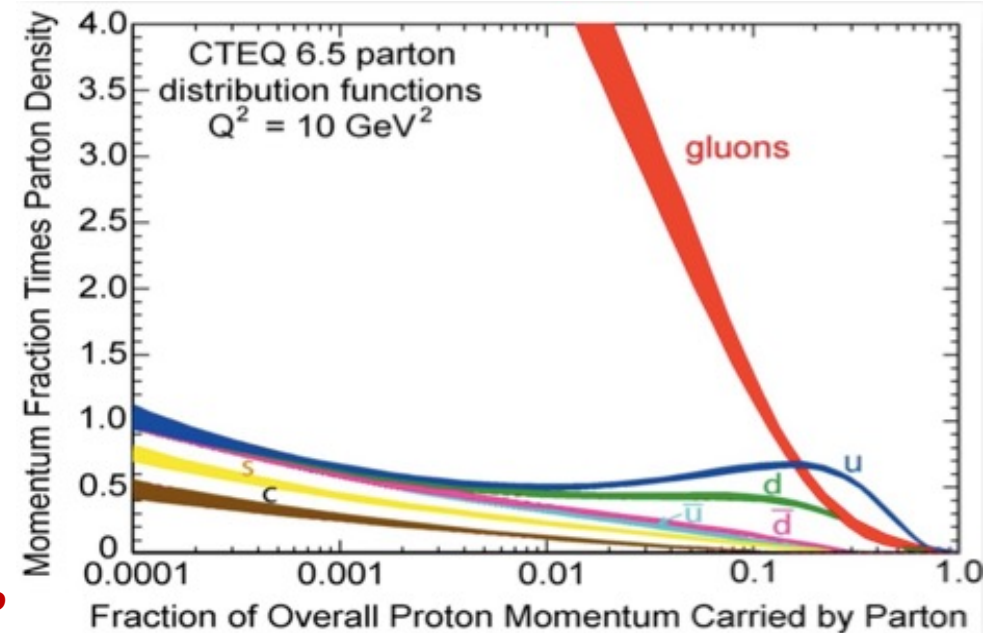


## □ Gluons are weird particles!

- Massless, yet, responsible for a lot of visible mass
- Carry color charge, unlike photon, responsible for color confinement, but, also for asymptotic freedom, as well as the abundance of glue!

*Without gluons, there would be  
NO nucleons, NO atomic nuclei, ... NO visible world!*

- *What are the emergent properties of dense systems of gluons?*
- *What does a nucleus look like if we only see quarks and gluons?*
- *What is the coherent length of color force? ...*



# Nuclear Landscape as “seen” by a Hard Probe?

## □ EMC discovery – EMC effect:

Nuclear landscape

≠ Superposition of nucleon landscape

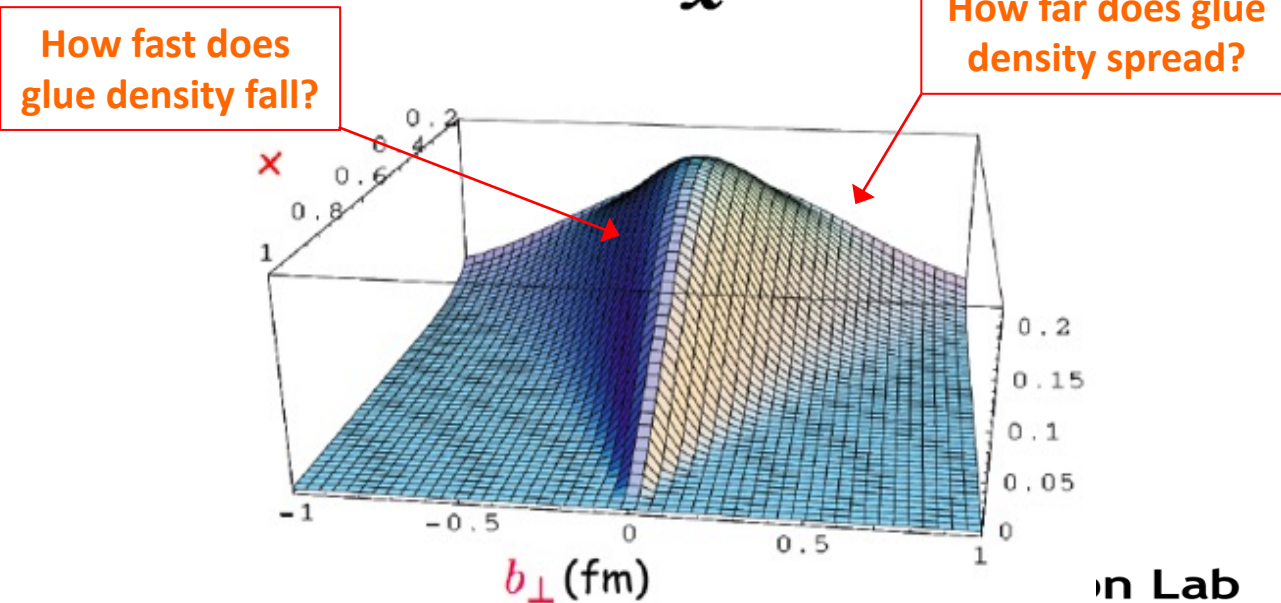
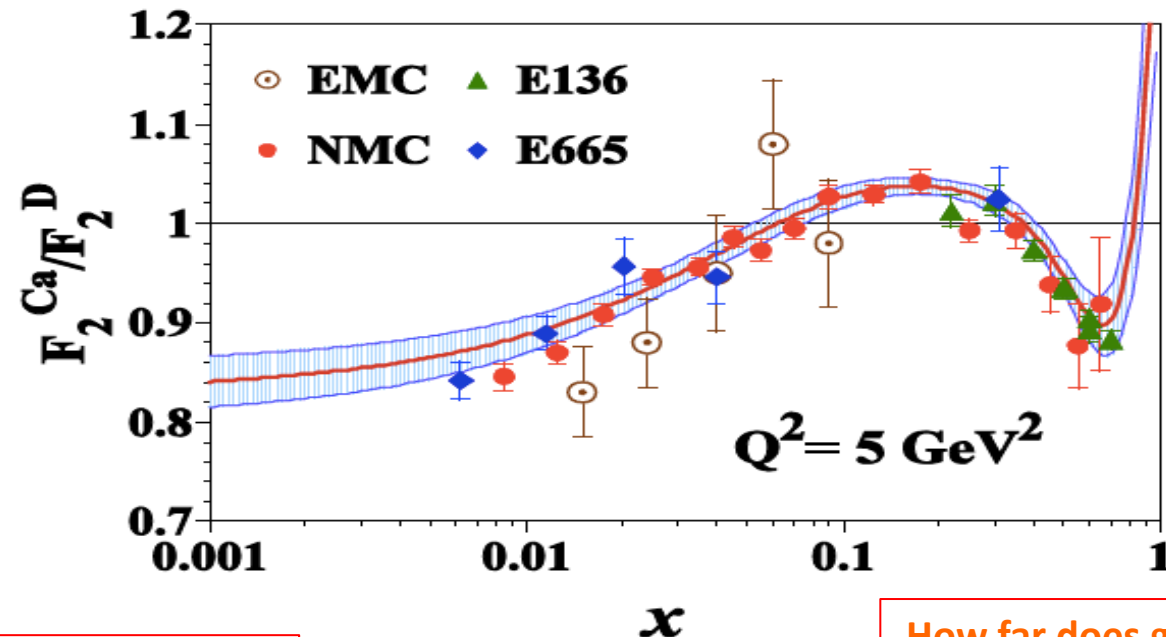
- *What is the origin of nuclear force?*

## □ Imaging the glue – only possible at EIC

- ✧ Gluon GPDs
- ✧ Discover the proton radius of gluon spatial distribution?

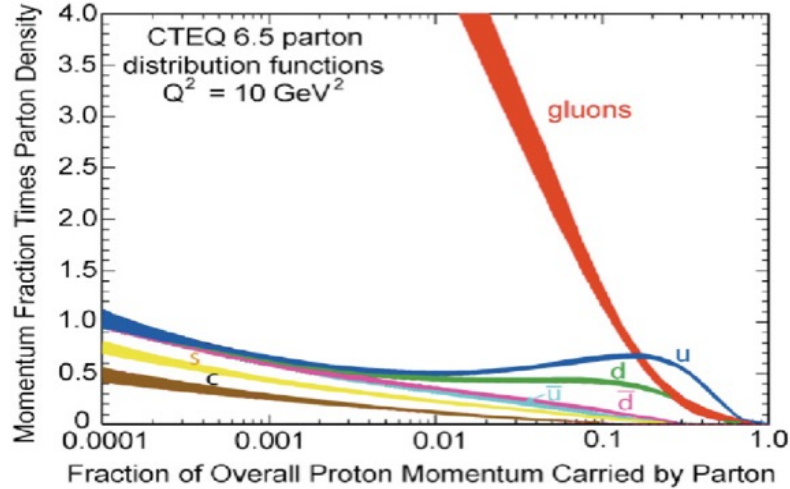
➔ Proton radii from quark and gluon spatial density distribution,  $r_q(x)$  &  $r_g(x)$

Will the runaway gluon numbers at small- $x$  lead to gluon saturation – Color Glass Condensate and an emergent mass scale ?



# Gluon Saturation – Color Glass Condensate

## Run away gluon density at small-x?

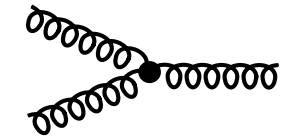
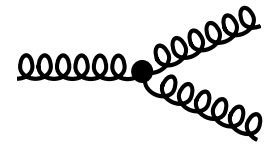


What causes the low-x rise?

- gluon radiation
- non-linear gluon interaction

What could tame the low-x rise?

- gluon recombination
- non-linear gluon interaction



## Color entanglement enhanced at small-x:

$\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{DIS}} \sim$

$\otimes$

$+$

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$\dots$

**Color entangled or correlated between two active partons**

$= \sum_f \hat{C}_f \otimes \Phi_f + \mathcal{O}(Q_s^2/Q^2) + \mathcal{O}(Q_s^4/Q^4) + \dots$

$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{QR}\right) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{QR} xg(x, Q_s)\right)$

$Q_s^2 \propto xg(x, Q_s)/R^2$

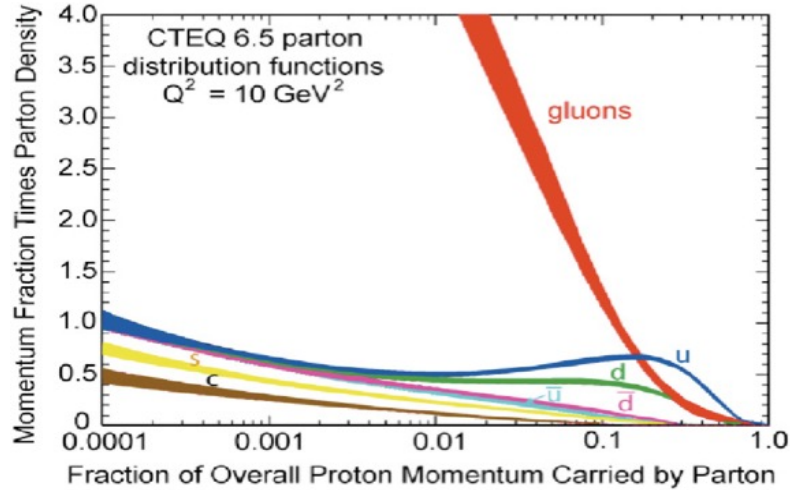
If every term is equally important, counting single parton

is meaningless – new state of saturated gluons:  $\sigma^{\text{DIS}}$  stops to grow as  $x \rightarrow 0$

Expectation:  $x=10^{-5}$  in a proton at  $Q^2=5 \text{ GeV}^2$

# Gluon Saturation – Color Glass Condensate

## □ Run away gluon density at small-x?



What causes the low-x rise?

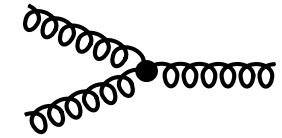
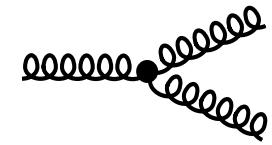
gluon radiation

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## □ QCD vs. QED:

**QCD – gluon in a proton:**

$$Q^2 \frac{d}{dQ^2} xG(x, Q^2) \approx \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dx'}{x'} x' G(x', Q^2)$$

**QED – photon in a positronium:**

$$Q^2 \frac{d}{dQ^2} x\phi_\gamma(x, Q^2) \approx \frac{\alpha_{em}}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{2}{3} x\phi_\gamma(x, Q^2) + \int_x^1 \frac{dx'}{x'} x' [\phi_{e^+}(x', Q^2) + \phi_{e^-}(x', Q^2)] \right]$$

✧ At very small-x, proton is **“black”**, positronium is still **transparent!**

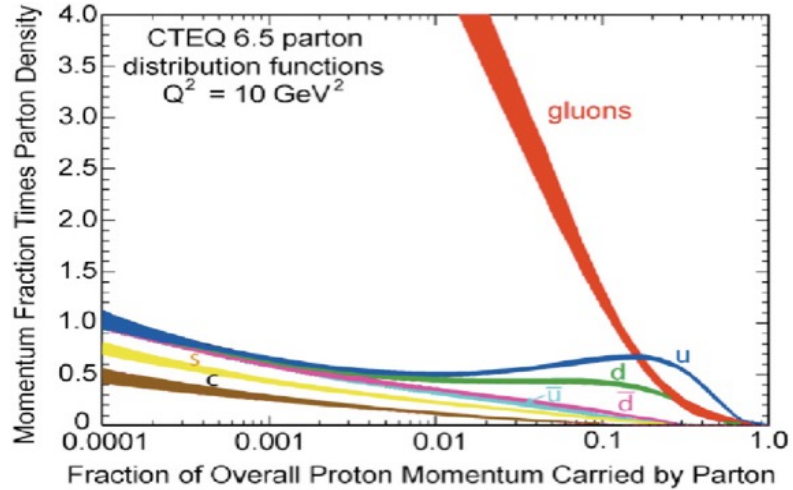
✧ Recombination of large numbers of glue could lead to **saturation phenomena**

**In the dipole model:**  $\frac{\partial N(x, k^2)}{\partial \ln(1/x)} = \alpha_s \mathcal{K}_{\text{BFKL}} \otimes N(x, k^2) - \alpha_s [N(x, k^2)]^2$

BK Equation

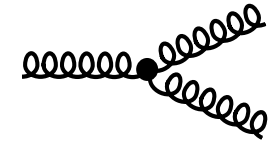
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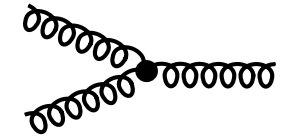
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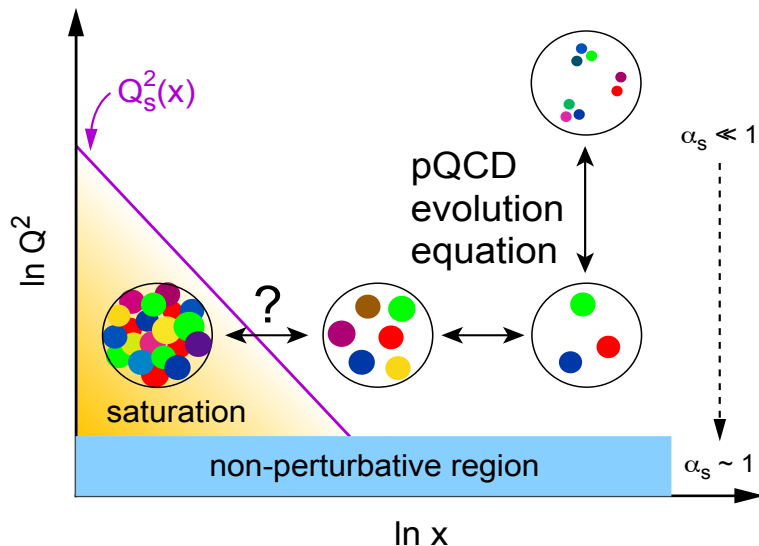


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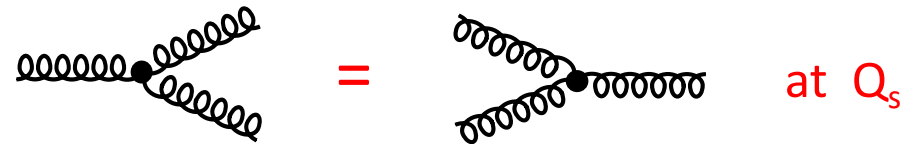


## □ Particle vs. wave feature:



Gluon saturation – Color Glass Condensate

**Radiation = Recombination**



Leading to a collective gluonic system?

with a universal property of QCD?

new effective theory QCD – CGC?

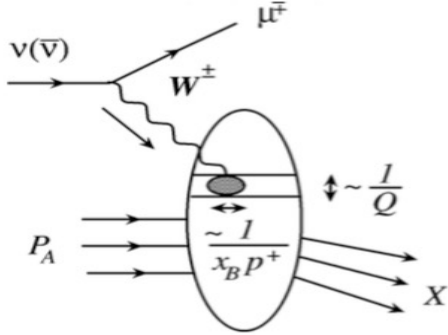
# Small-x Physics in a large Nucleus

- A simple, but fundamental, question:

What does a nucleus look like *if we only see quarks and gluons* ?

Need localized hard probes – “see” more particle nature of the “glue”

- But, a hard probe at small-x is NOT necessarily localized:



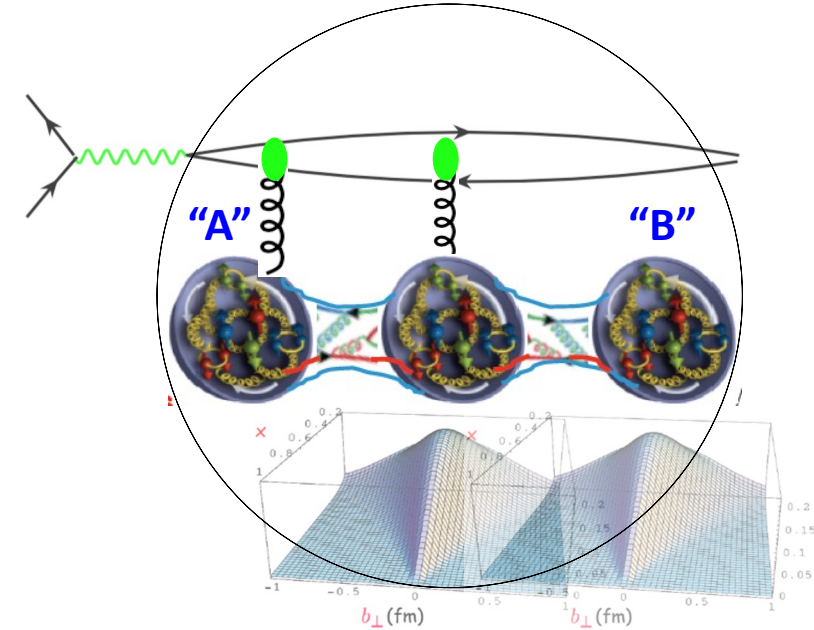
In c.m. frame

Longitudinal probing size

> Lorentz contracted nucleon

$$\text{if } \frac{1}{xp} > 2R \frac{m}{p} \text{ or } x < 0.1$$

➔ A hard probe at small-x can interact with multiple nucleons (partons from multiple nucleons) at the same impact parameter **coherently**



- Another simple, and fundamental, question:

Does the color of a parton in nucleon “A” know the color of another parton in nucleon “B”?

**IF YES**, Nucleus could act like a bigger proton at small-x (long range of color correlation), and could reach the **saturation** much sooner!

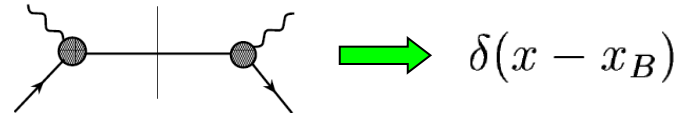
**IF NOT**, only short-range color correlation, and observed nuclear effect in cross-section at small-x is dominated by coherent **collision effect**

**Saturation of gluons is a part of QCD, where to find it?**

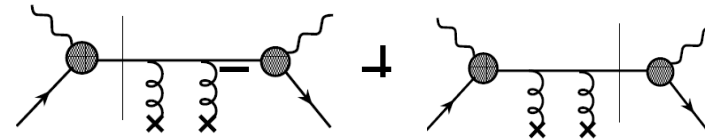
**EIC can tell !**

# Multiple scattering in a large nucleus in DIS:

□ **LO contribution to DIS cross section:**



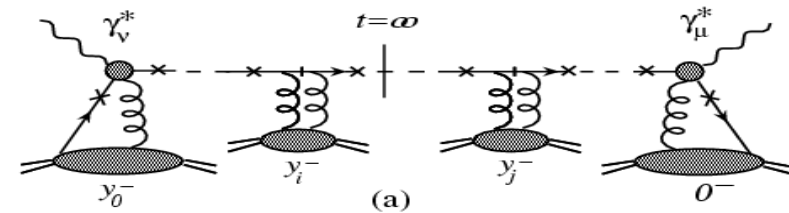
□ **NLO contribution:**



$$\rightarrow \frac{g^2}{Q^2} \left( \frac{1}{2N_c} \right) \left[ 2\pi^2 \tilde{F}^2(0) \right] x_B \lim_{x_1 \rightarrow x} \left[ \frac{1}{x - x_1} \delta(x_1 - x_B) + \frac{1}{x_1 - x} \delta(x - x_B) \right]$$

$$\int \frac{dy_2^- dy_1^-}{(2\pi)^2} [F^{+\alpha}(y_2^-) F_{\alpha}^+(y_1^-)] \theta(y_2^-) \quad x_B \left[ -\frac{d}{dx} \delta(x - x_B) \right]$$

□ **Nth order contribution:**



$$\rightarrow \left[ \frac{g^2}{Q^2} \left( \frac{1}{2N_c} \right) \left[ 2\pi^2 \tilde{F}^2(0) \right] \right]^N x_B^N \lim_{x_i \rightarrow x} \sum_{m=0}^N \delta(x_m - x_B) \left[ \prod_{i=1}^m \left( \frac{1}{x_{i-1} - x_m} \right) \right] \left[ \prod_{j=1}^{N-m} \left( \frac{1}{x_{m+j} - x_m} \right) \right]$$

**Infrared safe!**

$$x_B^N \left[ (-1)^N \frac{1}{N!} \frac{d^N}{dx^N} \delta(x - x_B) \right]$$



# Multiple scattering in a large nucleus in DIS:

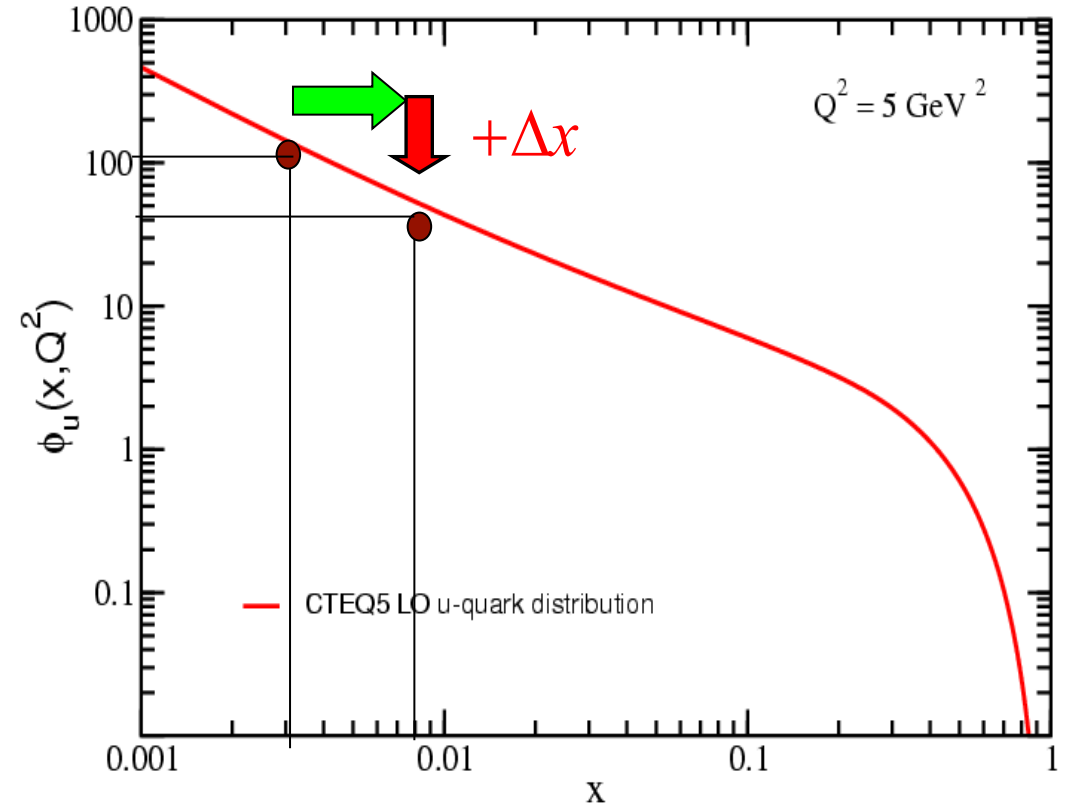
## □ Nuclear structure function:

$$F_T(x_B, Q^2) = \sum_{n=0}^N \frac{1}{n!} \left[ \frac{\xi^2}{Q^2} (A^{1/3} - 1) \right]^n x_B^n \frac{d^n}{dx_B^n} F_T^{(0)}(x_B, Q^2)$$
$$\approx F_T^{(0)}(x_B(1 + \Delta), Q^2)$$

$$\Delta \equiv \frac{\xi^2}{Q^2} (A^{1/3} - 1)$$

$$\xi^2 = \frac{3\pi\alpha_s}{8R^2} \langle F^{+\alpha} F_{\alpha}^+ \rangle$$

Single parameter for the power correction, and is proportional to the same characteristic scale



➔ Naturally lead to suppression of “cross section” if small-x coherent interaction is relevant!

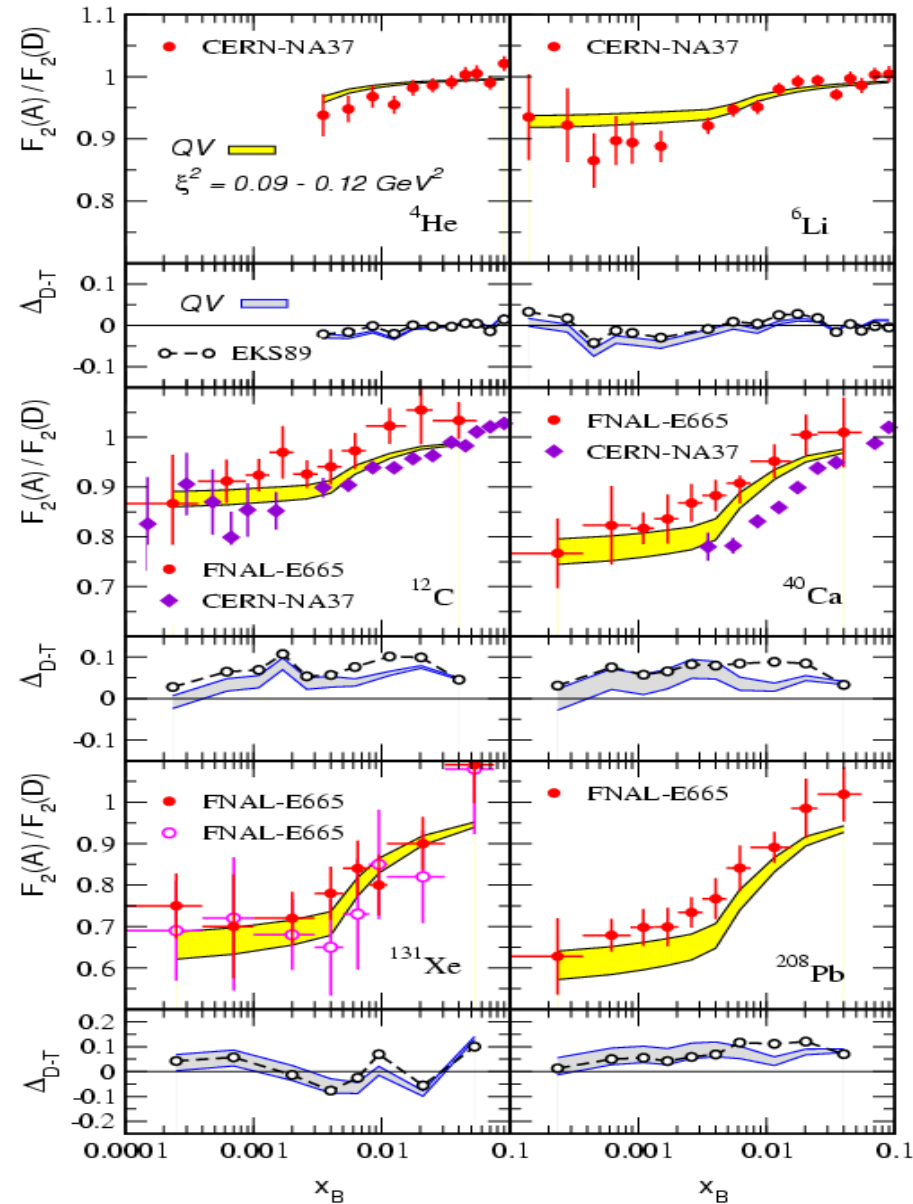
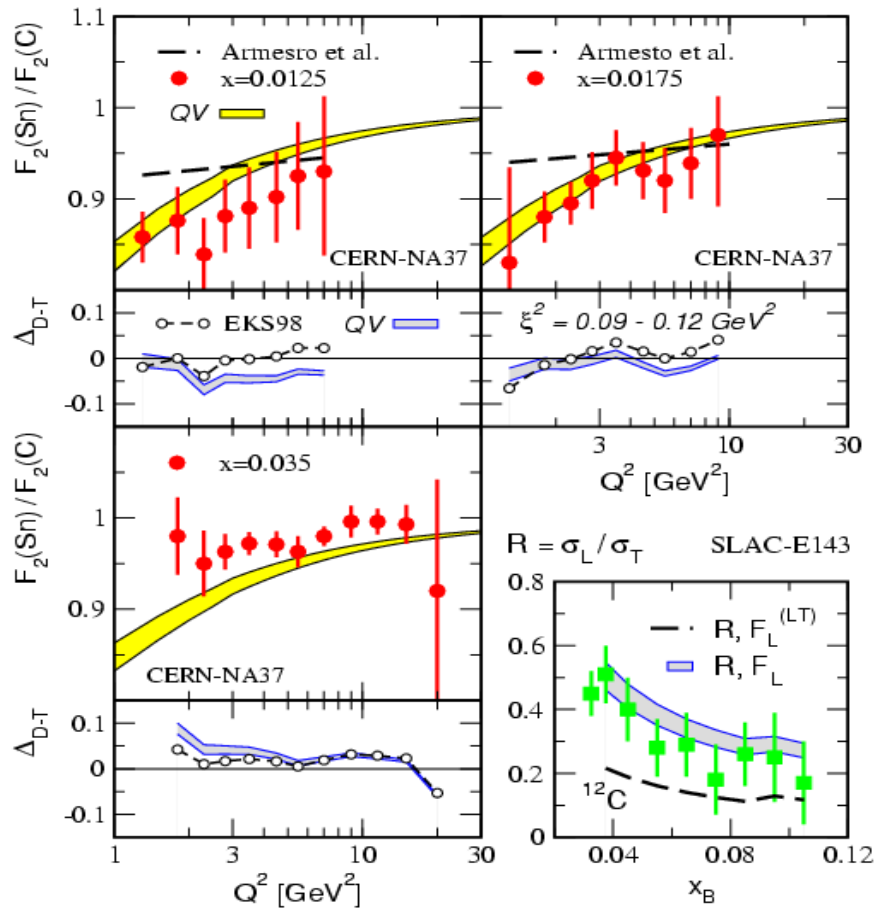
*Similar result for longitudinal structure function*

# Multiple scattering in a large nucleus in DIS:

□ Broadening parameter:

$$\xi^2 \sim 0.09 - 0.12 \text{ GeV}^2$$

From A-dependence of Jet broadening exp't

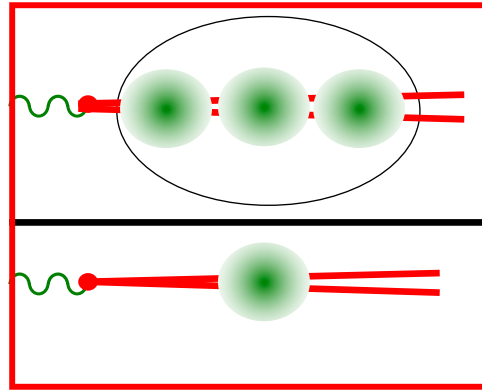
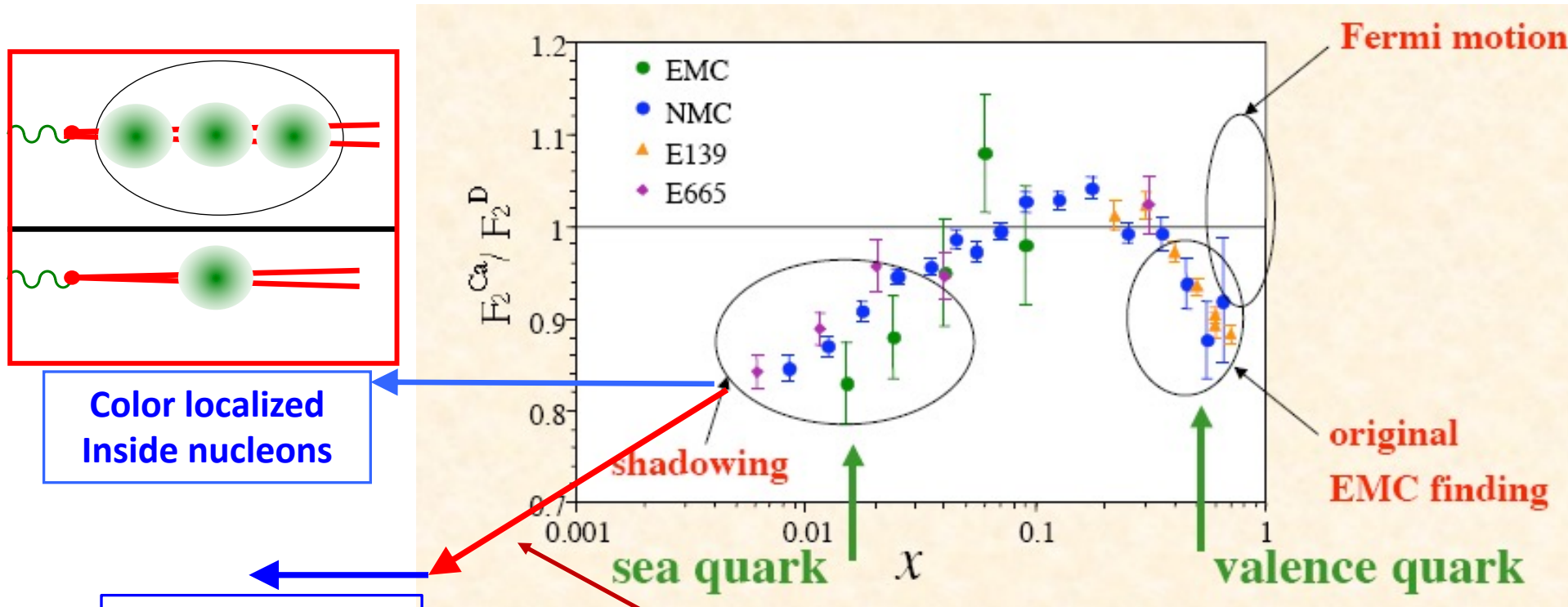
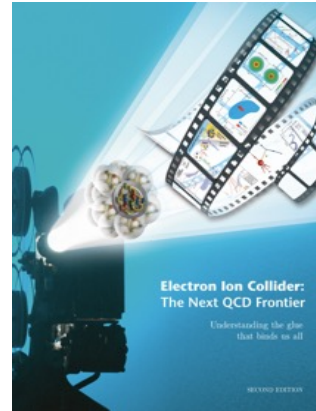


*One number for all  $x_B$ ,  $Q$ , and  $A$  dependence !*

# Coherent Length of the Color

- A simple experiment to address a “simple” question:  
Will the nuclear shadowing continue to fall as  $x$  decreases?

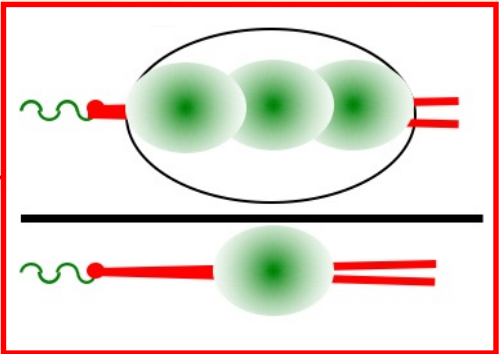
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Color localized  
Inside nucleons

Nucleus as a  
bigger proton

Color leaks outside nucleons  
Proton radius of soft gluon is larger !



*EIC can  
tell !*

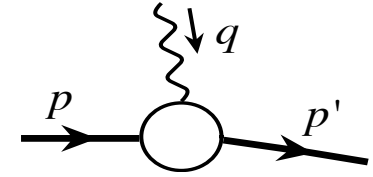
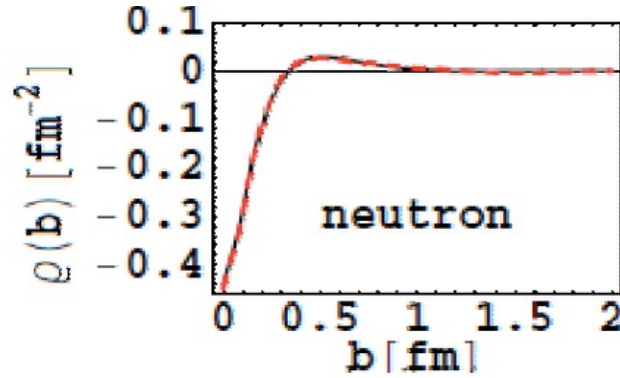
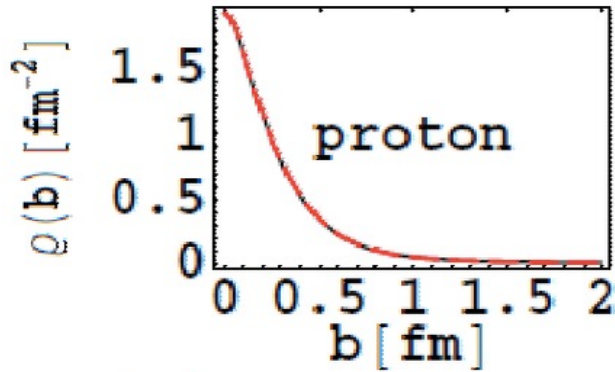
# Summary and Outlook

- We have the right Theory – QCD, but, unprecedented challenges
  - QCD has been very successful in describing the short-distance dynamics
  - Trying to understand the emergent phenomena of QCD:
    - Hadron properties, such as the mass, spin, ..., in the most fundamental way
    - Internal structure and landscape of hadrons, such as confined motion, spatial tomography of nuclei, ...
    - Emergence of hadrons from quarks and gluons, neutralization of the color, femto-meter sized detectors, ...
    - Particle and wave nature of quarks and gluons, ...
  
- EIC is an ultimate QCD machine and a facility, capable of discovering and exploring the emergent phenomena of QCD, and the role of color and glue, ..., and the science of Nuclear Femtography
  
- US-EIC is sitting at a sweet spot for rich QCD dynamics, capable of taking us to the next frontier of QCD and the Standard Model!

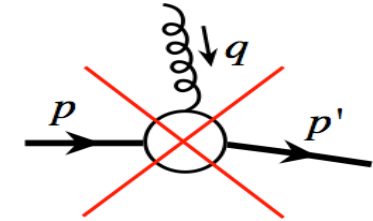
**Thanks!**

# Explore Internal Structure of Hadron without Breaking it

- Form factors: Elastic electric form factor → Charge distributions



Proton "Radius" in EM charge distribution

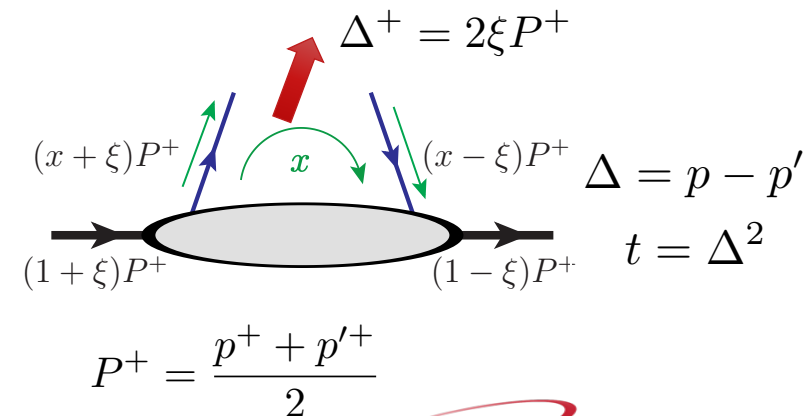


No Proton "Radius" in color charge distribution!

- But, there is NO elastic "color" form factor!

- Combine PDF and Form Factor – GPDs:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F^q(x, \xi, t) &= \int \frac{dz^-}{4\pi} e^{-ixP^+z^-} \langle p' | \bar{q}(z^-/2) \gamma^+ q(-z^-/2) | p \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{2P^+} \left[ H^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \gamma^+ u(p) - E^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \frac{i\sigma^{+\alpha} \Delta_\alpha}{2m} u(p) \right], \\
 \tilde{F}^q(x, \xi, t) &= \int \frac{dz^-}{4\pi} e^{-ixP^+z^-} \langle p' | \bar{q}(z^-/2) \gamma^+ \gamma_5 q(-z^-/2) | p \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{2P^+} \left[ \tilde{H}^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \gamma^+ \gamma_5 u(p) - \tilde{E}^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{u}(p') \frac{\gamma_5 \Delta^+}{2m} u(p) \right].
 \end{aligned}$$



Similar definition for gluon GPDs



