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Modified homotopy approach for diffractive production in the saturation region

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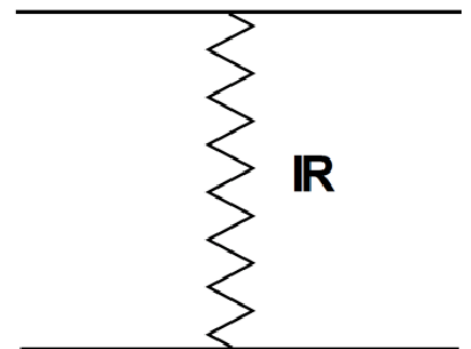


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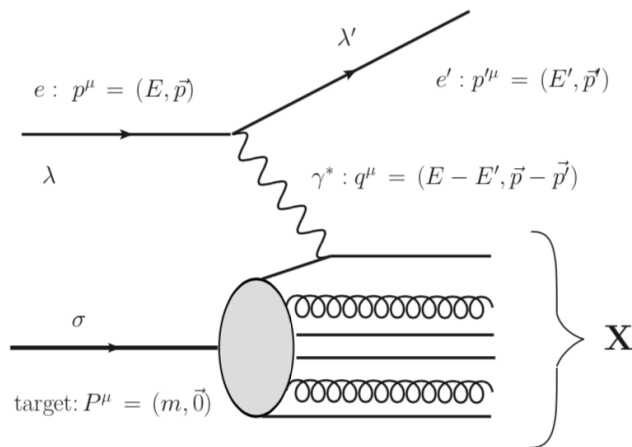
Yesterday

- The theoretical approach to high energy scattering in the **pre-QCD** era was established by V. Gribov and is known as **Gribov's Reggeon Calculus (1968)**.
- The brick from which we wanted to do this was the **Pomeron (Reggeon with the intercept close to 1)**.
- Of course one defect of the approach has been seen from the beginning, namely **the absence of a theoretical idea** how to select the interaction between Pomerons.
- The **death** of the Reggeon Approach was in **1974**.



Yesterday

- The microscopic theory of QCD was established by **Fritzsch, Gell-Mann and Leutwyler (1973), Gross and Wilczek (1973), and Weinberg (1973)**.
- One of the simplest scattering processes that occur at short distances is the reaction $e + p \longrightarrow e' + X$



incoming proton momentum : P

photon's virtuality : $Q^2 = -q^2 = (k - k')^2$

fraction of electron energy transferred to the proton : $y = \frac{P \cdot q}{P \cdot k} = \frac{Q^2}{sx}$

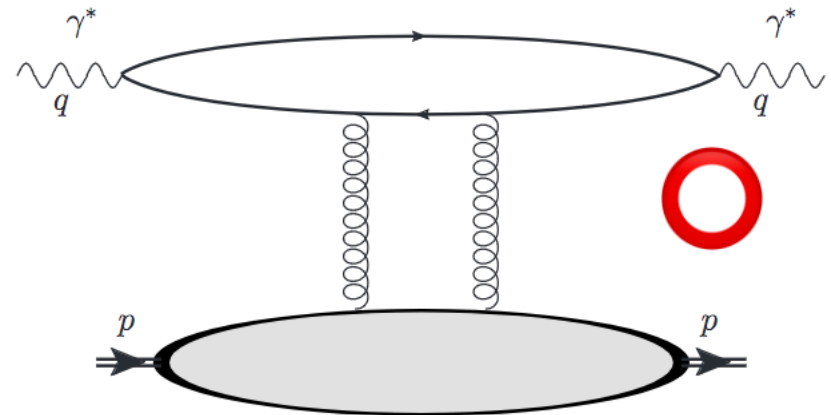
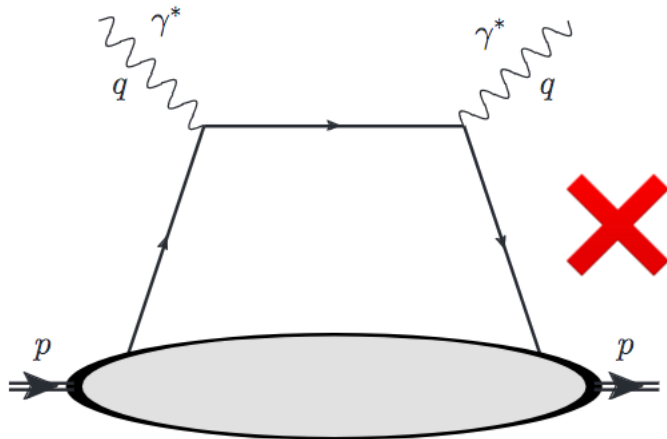
photon - proton system energy : $s = (P + q)^2 = W^2$

Bjorken - x : $x = \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot q} = \frac{Q^2}{Q^2 + W^2 - m_p^2}$

- The **Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS)** experiment allows us to investigate the structure of the hadron at short distances by observing the recoil electron e'

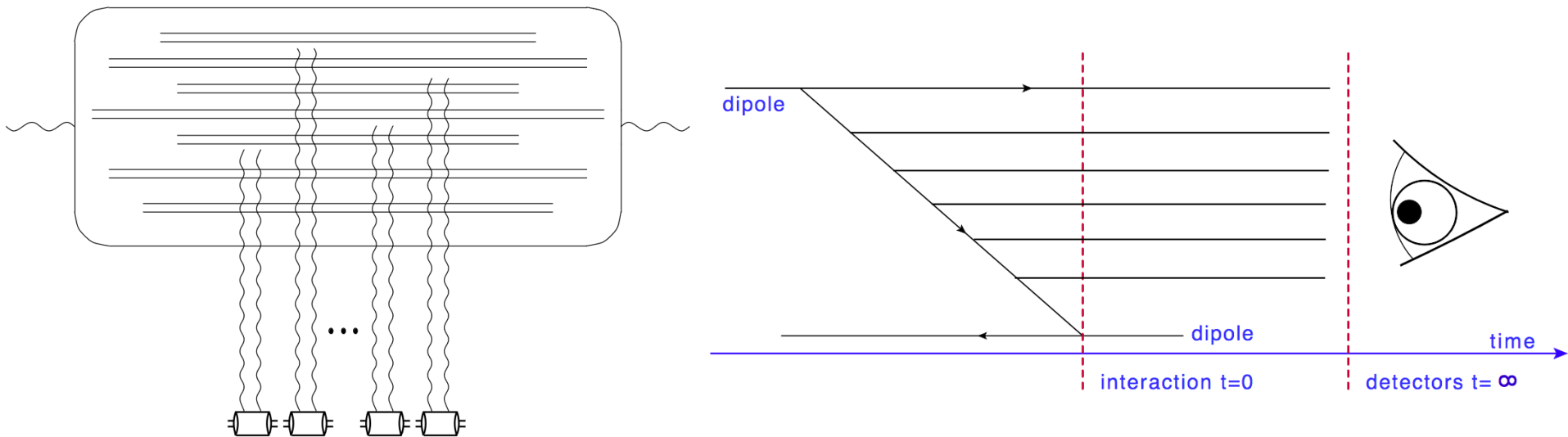
Yesterday

- Previous figure was in the infinite momentum frame (IMF).
- However, since our goal is to study the high energy behavior of QCD, it's better to use the **dipole picture of DIS** (Gribov (1970); Bjorken and Kogut (1973); Bertsch et al. (1981); Frankfurt and Strikman (1988); Kopeliovich et al. (1981); Mueller (1990); Nikolaev and Zakharov(1991))



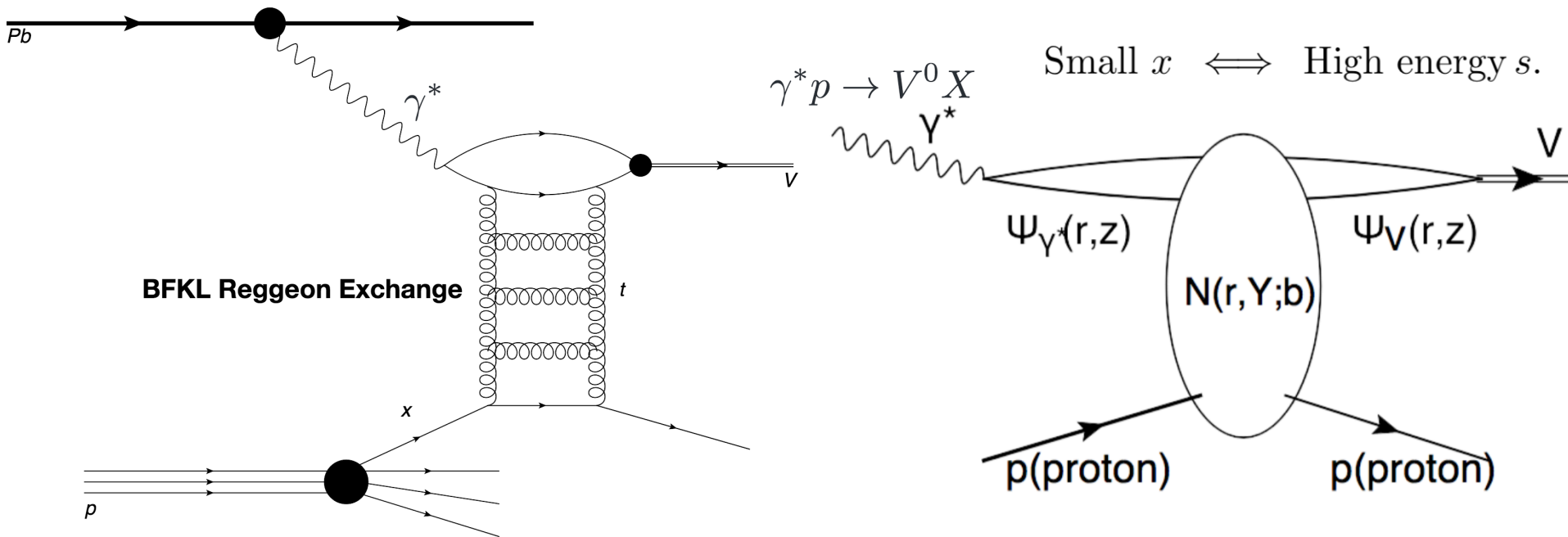
Yesterday

- **Colour dipoles are the correct degrees of freedom at high energy QCD.**
- The physical picture of DIS presented is the following: virtual photon splits into a **quark–antiquark pair**, which, by the time it reaches the target develops a cascade of dipoles, each of which independently interacts with the target.



Yesterday

- First attempt to the study of high energy limit in QCD began with the derivation of the **Balitsky-Fadin-Kuraev-Lipatov (BFKL) Pomeron (1975)**.



- The BFKL equation represents an important step toward understanding of high energy asymptotics of QCD. But also raised some important questions.

Yesterday

- The BFKL evolution equation for the dipole-target scattering amplitude $N(\mathbf{x}_{10}, \mathbf{b}, Y; R)$ was derived

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial Y} N(\mathbf{x}_{10}, \mathbf{b}, Y; R) = \bar{\alpha}_S \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{x}_2}{2\pi} K(\mathbf{x}_{02}, \mathbf{x}_{12}; \mathbf{x}_{10}) \left(N\left(\mathbf{x}_{12}, \mathbf{b} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_{20}, Y; R\right) + N\left(\mathbf{x}_{20}, \mathbf{b} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_{12}, Y; R\right) - N(\mathbf{x}_{10}, \mathbf{b}, Y; R) \right) \quad (\text{with } K^{\text{LO}}(\mathbf{x}_{02}, \mathbf{x}_{12}; \mathbf{x}_{10}) = \frac{x_{10}^2}{x_{02}^2 x_{12}^2})$$

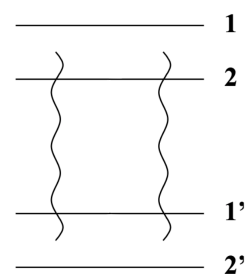
- Using a Mellin transform with respect to Y , and then expanding the dipole distribution on a conformal basis, we find (**Lipatov, 1986**)

$$N^{\text{BFKL}}(\rho_1, \rho_2; \rho'_1, \rho'_2; Y) = 8 \bar{\alpha}_S^2 \sum_{\text{even } n} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\nu \int e^{\bar{\alpha}_S \chi(n, \nu) Y} \frac{\nu^2 + \frac{n^2}{4}}{[\nu^2 + \frac{(n+1)^2}{4}][\nu^2 + \frac{(n-1)^2}{4}]} G^{n, \nu}(\rho_1, \rho_2; \rho'_1, \rho'_2)$$

With $\omega(n, \nu) = \bar{\alpha}_S \chi(n, \nu) = \bar{\alpha}_S (2\psi(1) - \psi(\frac{1+|n|}{2} + i\nu) - \psi(\frac{1+|n|}{2} - i\nu))$, $h = \frac{1}{2} + i\nu + \frac{n}{2}$, $\tilde{h} = \frac{1}{2} + i\nu - \frac{n}{2}$

$$G^{n, \nu}(\rho_1, \rho_2; \rho'_1, \rho'_2) = b_{n, -\nu} w^h w^{*\tilde{h}} {}_2F_1(h, h, 2h; w) {}_2F_1(\tilde{h}, \tilde{h}, 2\tilde{h}; w^*) + b_{n, \nu} w^{1-h} w^{*1-\tilde{h}} {}_2F_1(1-h, 1-h, 2-2h; w) {}_2F_1(1-\tilde{h}, 1-\tilde{h}, 2-2\tilde{h}; w^*),$$

$$b_{n, \nu} = \pi^3 2^{4i\nu} \frac{\Gamma(-i\nu + \frac{1+|n|}{2})}{\Gamma(i\nu + \frac{1+|n|}{2})} \frac{\Gamma(i\nu + \frac{|n|}{2})}{\Gamma(1 - i\nu + \frac{|n|}{2})}; \quad w = \frac{\rho_{12} \rho_{1'2'}}{\rho_{11'} \rho_{22'}}, \quad \rho_i = x_{i,1} + i x_{i,2}; \quad \rho_{ik} = \rho_i - \rho_k.$$



Yesterday

- At large values of $Y = \ln(1/x)$ the main contribution stems from the first term with $n = 0$. We have

$$H^\gamma(w, w^*) = 8\bar{\alpha}_S^2 \frac{(\gamma - \frac{1}{2})^2}{(\gamma(1 - \gamma))^2} \{ b_\gamma w^\gamma w^{*\gamma} {}_2F_1(\gamma, \gamma, 2\gamma; w) {}_2F_1(\gamma, \gamma; 2\gamma; w^*) \\ + b_{1-\gamma} w^{1-\gamma} w^{*1-\gamma} {}_2F_1(1 - \gamma, 1 - \gamma, 2 - 2\gamma; w) {}_2F_1(1 - \gamma, 1 - \gamma; 2 - 2\gamma; w^*) \}$$

With $\gamma = \frac{1}{2} + i\nu$, $b_\gamma = \pi^3 2^{4(1/2-\gamma)} \frac{\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(1/2 - \gamma)} \frac{\Gamma(1 - \gamma)}{\Gamma(1/2 + \gamma)}$, $\bar{\alpha}_S = \frac{\alpha_S N_c}{\pi}$

- Taking the integral over γ using the method of steepest descent, we see that

$$\chi(\gamma) = 2\psi(1) - \psi(\gamma) - \psi(1 - \gamma) \approx \chi(\gamma_{cr}) + \frac{1}{2} \chi''(\gamma_{cr}) (\gamma - \gamma_{cr})^2$$

$$N(r, R; Y, b) = \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi\bar{\alpha}_S \chi''(\gamma_{cr})}}}_{=N_0} 8\bar{\alpha}_S^2 \frac{(\gamma_{cr} - \frac{1}{2})^2}{(\gamma_{cr}(1 - \gamma_{cr}))^2} b_{\gamma_{cr}} \left(\left(\frac{r^2 R^2}{(\mathbf{b}^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}))^2 (\mathbf{b}^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}))^2} \right) e^{\bar{\alpha}_S \frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1 - \gamma_{cr}} Y} \right)^{1 - \gamma_{cr}}$$

Yesterday

- Defining

$$\xi = \ln \left(\frac{r^2 R^2}{(\mathbf{b}^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}))^2 (\mathbf{b}^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}))^2} \right) = \ln(r^2 Q_s^2(Y = 0, b)),$$

$$\kappa = \frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1 - \gamma_{cr}}, \quad Q_s^2(Y, b) = Q_s^2(Y = 0, b) e^{\bar{\alpha}_S \kappa Y},$$

$$z = \ln(x_{01}^2 Q_s^2(Y, b)) = \bar{\alpha}_S \kappa Y + \xi, \quad 1 - \gamma_{cr} = \bar{\gamma},$$

- We obtain

$$N(z) = N_0 e^{z \bar{\gamma}}$$

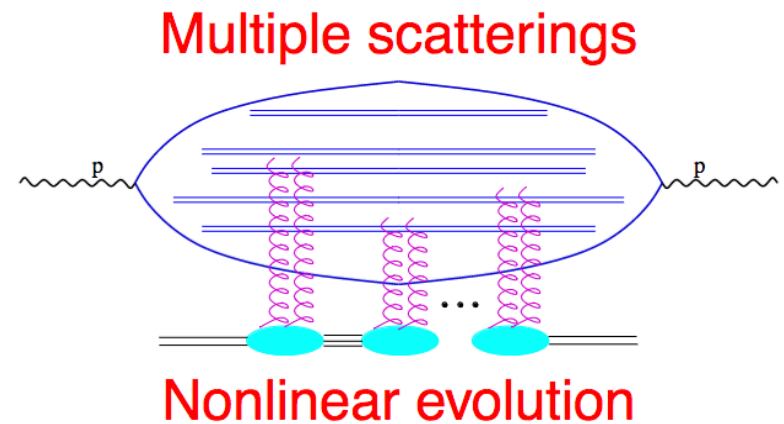
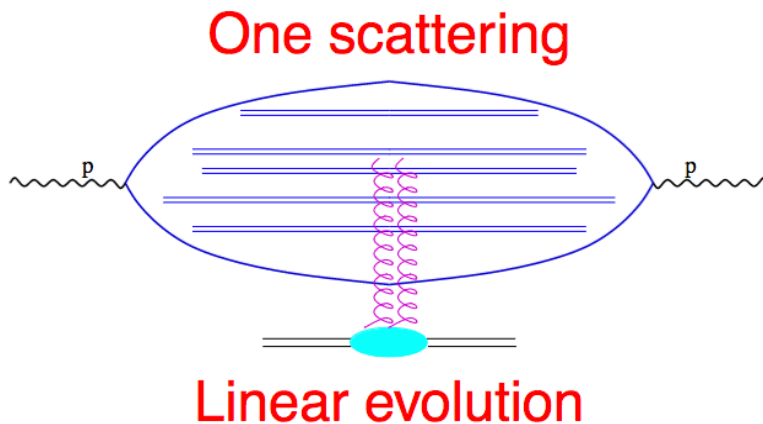
- This shows the so called **geometric scaling**.

- Value of γ_{cr} is found by solving $\frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1 - \gamma_{cr}} = -\frac{d\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{d\gamma_{cr}}$,

we find $\gamma_{cr} = 0.37$ and for $\bar{\alpha}_S = 0.2$ we get $N_0 = 0.25$

Today

- Seminal paper of **Gribov, Levin and Ryskin (GLR, 1983)** put forward the idea that nonlinear effects in QCD evolution lead to saturation of gluonic density at high enough energy.

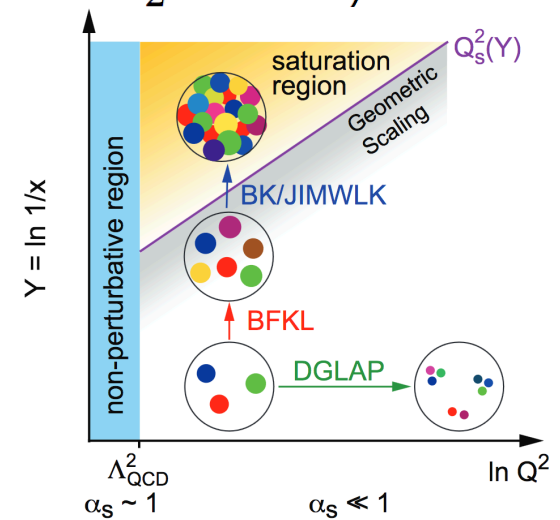
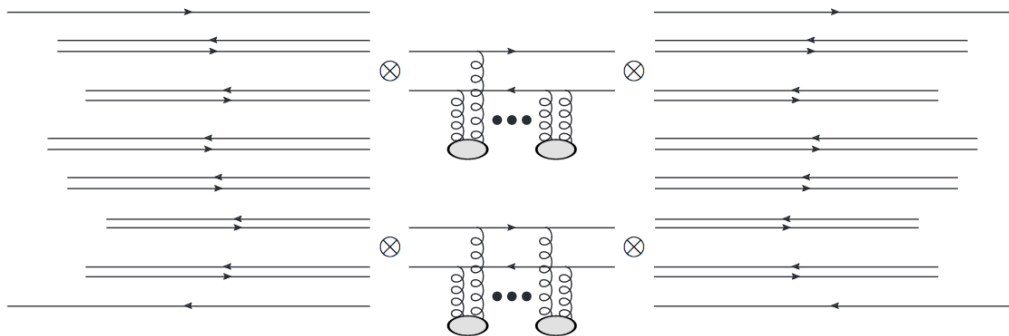


- Nonlinear term slows down the small- x evolution, leading to **parton saturation** and to total cross sections adhering to the **black disk limit** $\sigma_{tot} \leq 2\pi R^2$.

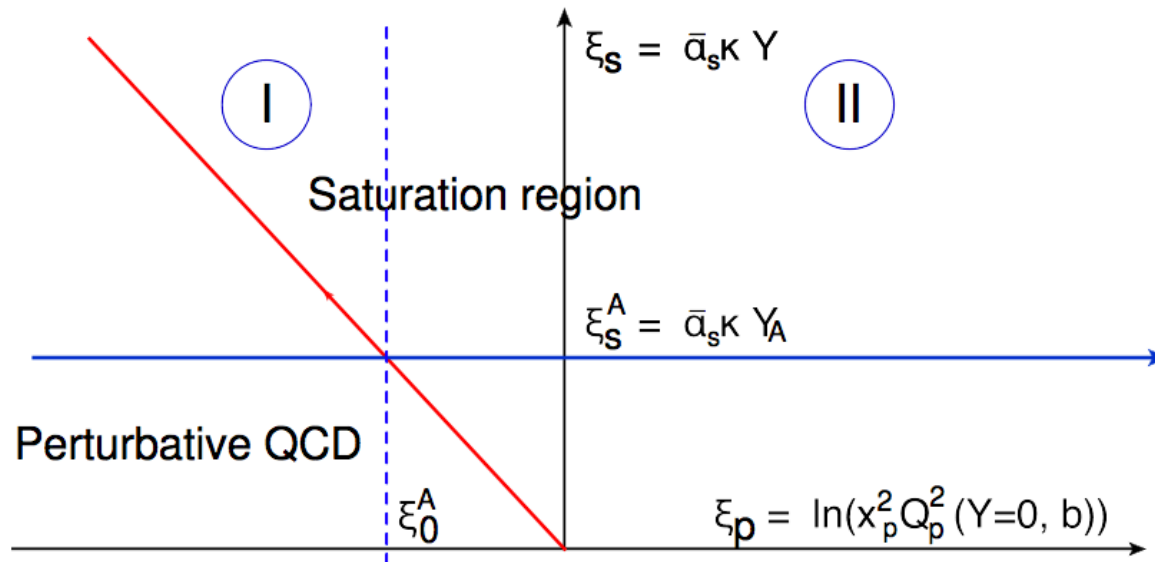
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- This BFKL Parton cascade leads to **Balitsky-Kovchegov (BK) equation** for the amplitude and gives the theoretical description of the DIS (Mueller (1994), Balitsky (1999), Kovchegov (1999), Levin and Lublinsky (2003)).

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial Y} N(\mathbf{x}_{10}, \mathbf{b}, Y; R) = \bar{\alpha}_S \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{x}_2}{2\pi} K(\mathbf{x}_{02}, \mathbf{x}_{12}; \mathbf{x}_{10}) \left(N(\mathbf{x}_{12}, \mathbf{b} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_{20}, Y; R) + N(\mathbf{x}_{20}, \mathbf{b} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_{12}, Y; R) - N(\mathbf{x}_{10}, \mathbf{b}, Y; R) - N(\mathbf{x}_{12}, \mathbf{b} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_{20}, Y; R) N(\mathbf{x}_{20}, \mathbf{b} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_{12}, Y; R) \right)$$



Today



- Saturation region of QCD for the elastic scattering amplitude. The critical line ($z=0$) is shown in red. The initial condition for scattering with the dilute system of partons (with proton) is given at $\xi_S = 0$. For heavy nuclei the initial conditions are placed at $Y_A = (1/3) \ln A \gg 1$, where A is the number of nucleon in a nucleus.

Today

- Performing a “Fourier transform”

$$N(x_{01}^2, b, Y) = x_{01}^2 \int \frac{d^2 k_{\perp}}{2\pi} e^{i\mathbf{k}_{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{01}} \tilde{N}(k_{\perp}, b, Y) = x_{01}^2 \int_0^{\infty} k_{\perp} dk_{\perp} J_0(x_{01} k_{\perp}) \tilde{N}(k_{\perp}, b, Y)$$

- We write (**Kovchegov (2000)**).

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{N}(k_{\perp}, b, Y)}{\partial Y} = \bar{\alpha}_S \left\{ \chi \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{\xi}} \right) \tilde{N}(k_{\perp}, b, Y) - \tilde{N}^2(k_{\perp}, b, Y) \right\}$$

Where $\tilde{\xi} = \ln(Q_s^2(Y = Y_A, b)/k_{\perp}^2)$ and $\tilde{z} = \bar{\alpha}_S \kappa (Y - Y_A) + \tilde{\xi} = \ln(Q_s^2(Y, b)/k_{\perp}^2)$

- Differentiating this equation over $\tilde{\xi}$ we get

$$\frac{\partial^2 \tilde{N}(k_{\perp}, b, Y)}{\partial Y \partial \tilde{\xi}} = \bar{\alpha}_S \left\{ \chi_0 \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{\xi}} \right) \frac{\partial \tilde{N}(k_{\perp}, b, Y)}{\partial \tilde{\xi}} + \tilde{N}(k_{\perp}, b, Y) - 2 \frac{\partial \tilde{N}(k_{\perp}, b, Y)}{\partial \tilde{\xi}} \tilde{N}(k_{\perp}, b, Y) \right\}$$

Today

Where $\chi_0(\gamma) = \chi(\gamma) - \frac{1}{\gamma}$, $\gamma = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{\xi}}$.

- Introducing the variable \tilde{z} instead of $\tilde{\xi}$ and the new function M as

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{N}(k_{\perp}, b, \delta \tilde{Y})}{\partial \tilde{z}} = \frac{1}{2} M(\tilde{z}, b, \delta \tilde{Y}) \quad \text{or} \quad \tilde{N}(\tilde{z}, b, \delta \tilde{Y}) = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{z} + \int_0^{\tilde{z}} d\tilde{z}' M(\tilde{z}', b, \delta \tilde{Y}) = \frac{\tilde{z} + \zeta}{2} + \int_{\tilde{z}}^{\infty} d\tilde{z}' M(\tilde{z}', b, \delta \tilde{Y})$$

We can re-write the previous equation in the form

$$\frac{\partial M(\tilde{z}, b, \delta \tilde{Y})}{\partial \delta \tilde{Y}} + \kappa \frac{\partial M(\tilde{z}, b, \delta \tilde{Y})}{\partial \tilde{z}} = \chi_0 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{z}} \right) M(\tilde{z}, b, \delta \tilde{Y}) - (\tilde{z} + \zeta) M(\tilde{z}, b, \delta \tilde{Y}) + M(\tilde{z}, b, \delta \tilde{Y}) \int_{\tilde{z}}^{\infty} d\tilde{z}' M(\tilde{z}', b, \delta \tilde{Y})$$

with $\delta \tilde{Y} = \bar{\alpha}_S (Y - Y_A)$ and $\zeta = \int_0^{\infty} dz' M(\tilde{z}', b, \delta \tilde{Y})$.

- At large \tilde{z} , M is small so we can neglect the last term. This gives a “linear equation”, but with the term $(\tilde{z} + \zeta) M(\tilde{z}, b, \delta \tilde{Y})$ actually coming from the \tilde{N}^2 term

Today

- For region I, we have

$$\kappa \frac{dM_0^I(\tilde{z}, b)}{d\tilde{z}} = \chi_0 \left(\frac{d}{d\tilde{z}} \right) M_0^I(\tilde{z}, b) - (\tilde{z} + \zeta) M_0^I(\tilde{z}, b)$$

- We solve this equation using the Mellin transform

$$M_0^I(\tilde{z}, b) = \int_{\epsilon - i\infty}^{\epsilon + i\infty} \frac{d\gamma}{2\pi i} e^{\gamma(\tilde{z} + \zeta)} m_0^I(\gamma, b)$$

- We find M_0 and then we back to coordinates.
The result is

$$N_0^I(z) = 1 - C \exp\left(-\frac{(z - \tilde{z})^2}{2\kappa}\right)$$

With $\tilde{z} = 2(\ln 2 + \psi(1)) - \zeta$

Today

- For region II, we have to solve

$$\frac{\partial M_0^{II}}{\partial \delta \tilde{Y}} + \kappa \frac{\partial M_0^{II}}{\partial \tilde{z}} = \chi_0 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{z}} \right) M_0^{II} - (\tilde{z} + \zeta) M_0^{II}$$

- We solve this equation using the Mellin transform

$$M_0^{II}(\tilde{z}, \delta \tilde{Y}) = \int_{\epsilon - i\infty}^{\epsilon + i\infty} \frac{d\gamma}{2\pi i} e^{(\tilde{z} + \zeta)\gamma} m_0^{II}(\gamma, \delta \tilde{Y})$$

- Final result for the elastic amplitude in region II is

$$N_0^{II}(\xi, z) = 1 - G(\xi) \exp\left(-\frac{(z - \tilde{z})^2}{2\kappa}\right)$$

with $G(\xi) = \exp\left(\frac{(\xi - \tilde{z})^2}{2\kappa} - \frac{e^\xi}{4}\right)$

Today

- From the matching condition on the line ξ_0^A

$$N_0^I(z = \kappa\delta\tilde{Y} + \xi_0^A) = N_0^{II}(\xi = \xi_0^A, z = \kappa\delta\tilde{Y} + \xi_0^A)$$

- We find constant C

$$C = \exp\left(\frac{(\xi_0^A - \tilde{z})^2}{2\kappa} - \frac{e^{\xi_0^A}}{4}\right)$$

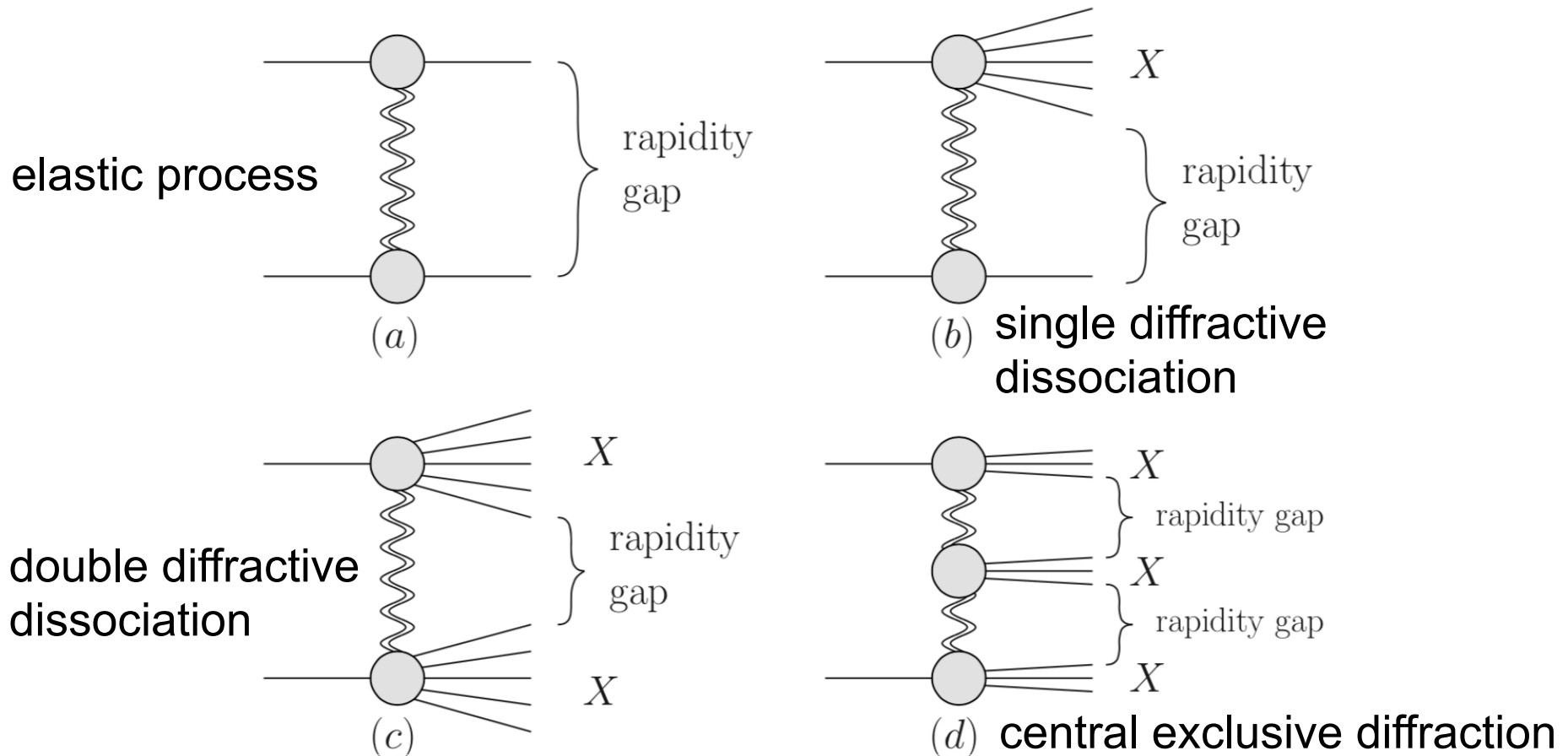
- And from matching conditions at $z=0$ (red line)

$$N_0^I(z = 0) = N_0 \quad \left. \frac{d \ln N_0^I(z)}{dz} \right|_{z=0} = \bar{\gamma}$$

we find $\tilde{z} = -\frac{\kappa\bar{\gamma}N_0}{1 - N_0} = -1.02$, $C = 0.83$, $\xi_0^A = 0.56$.

Diffraction at high energy

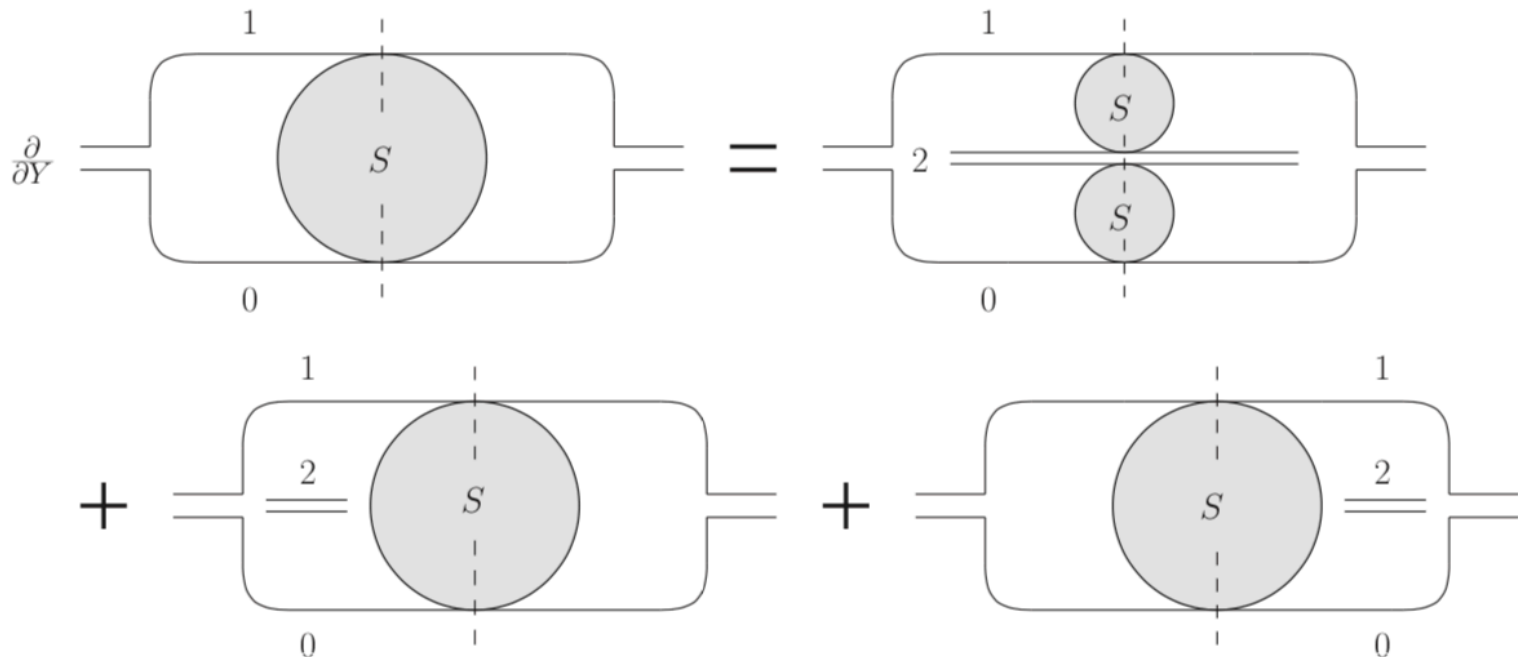
- An event is considered diffractive if it contains a rapidity gap (interval over which no particles are produced).



Diffraction at high energy

- The equation for the S-matrix in the BFKL cascade has the following form in the dipole approach to QCD (Mueller 1994)

$$\frac{d}{dY} S(Y, r; \mathbf{b}) = \bar{\alpha}_S \int d^2 r' \underbrace{\frac{r^2}{r'^2 (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')^2}}_{K(r, r')} \left\{ S\left(Y, \mathbf{r}'; \mathbf{b} - \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')\right) S\left(Y, \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'; \mathbf{b} - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{r}\right) - S(Y, r; \mathbf{b}) \right\}$$



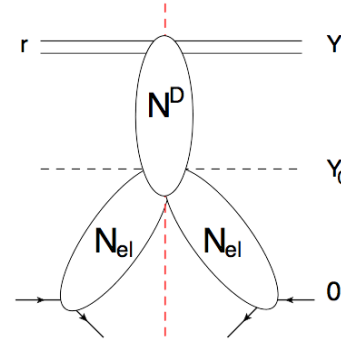
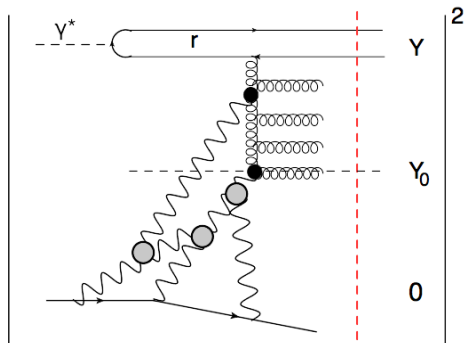
Diffraction at high energy

- Writing

$$S^D(Y, r; \mathbf{b}) = 1 - 2N(Y, r; \mathbf{b}) + N^D(Y, Y_0, \mathbf{r}, b)$$

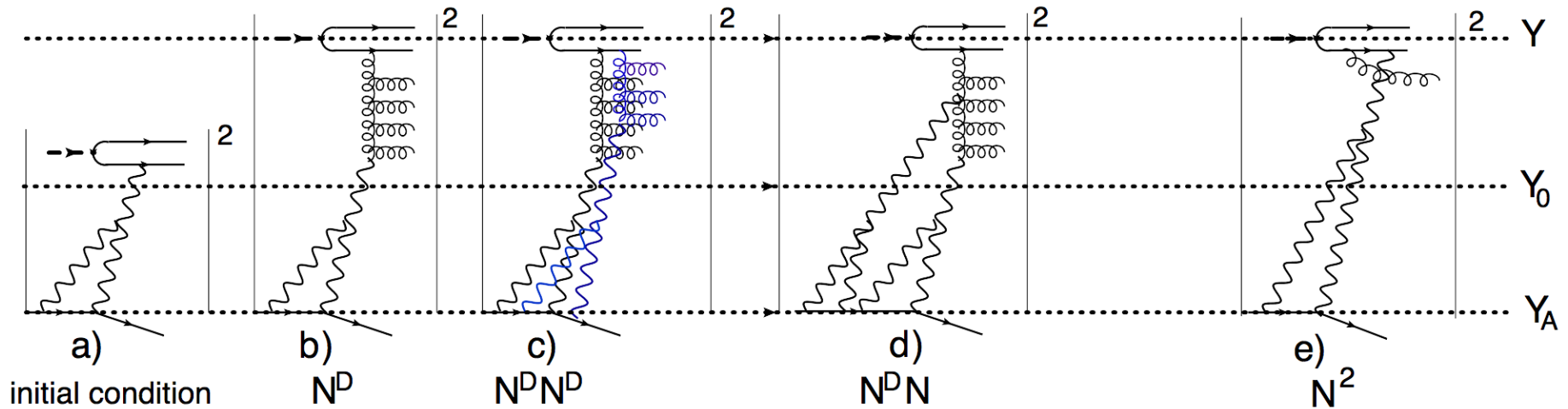
- And plugging this in the S-matrix equation we obtain the **Kovchegov-Levin equation (2000)**

$$\frac{\partial N^D(Y, Y_0, r_{10}; b)}{\partial Y_M} = \frac{\bar{\alpha}_S}{2\pi} \int d^2 r_2 K(r_{10} | r_{12}, r_{02}) \{ N^D(Y, Y_0, r_{12}; b) + N^D(Y, Y_0, r_{20}; b) - N^D(Y, Y_0, r_{10}; b) + N^D(Y; Y_0, r_{12}; b) N^D(Y; Y_0, r_{20}; b) - 2 N^D(Y; Y_0, r_{12}; b) N(Y; r_{20}; b) - 2 N(Y; r_{12}; b) N^D(Y; Y_0, r_{20}; b) + 2 N(Y; r_{12}; b) N(Y; r_{20}; b) \}, \text{ with } Y_M = Y - Y_0$$



Diffraction at high energy

- The graphic representation of the terms of of the KL equation for diffraction production



- Introducing a new function:

$$\mathcal{N}(z, \delta\tilde{Y}, \delta Y_0) = 2N(z, \delta\tilde{Y}) - N^D(z, \delta\tilde{Y}, \delta Y_0)$$

where $\delta\tilde{Y} = \bar{\alpha}_S (Y - Y_A)$, $\delta Y_0 = \bar{\alpha}_S (Y_0 - Y_A)$, we rewrite

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{N}_{01}}{\partial Y} = \bar{\alpha}_S \int \frac{d^2 x_{02}}{2\pi} \frac{x_{01}^2}{x_{02}^2 x_{12}^2} \left\{ \mathcal{N}_{02} + \mathcal{N}_{12} - \mathcal{N}_{02} \mathcal{N}_{12} - \mathcal{N}_{01} \right\}$$

Diffraction at high energy

- With initial conditions

$$\mathcal{N}(z \rightarrow z_0, \delta\tilde{Y} = \delta Y_0, \delta Y_0) = 2N(z_0, \delta Y_0) - N^2(z_0, \delta Y_0)$$

- Replacing $\mathcal{N}(z, \delta Y_0) = 1 - \Delta^D(z, \delta Y_0)$, it takes the form

$$\frac{\partial \Delta_{01}^D}{\partial Y} = \bar{\alpha}_S \int \frac{d^2 x_{02}}{2\pi} \frac{x_{01}^2}{x_{02}^2 x_{12}^2} \left\{ \Delta_{02}^D \Delta_{12}^D - \Delta_{01}^D \right\}$$

- with the initial conditions for Δ^D as

$$\text{Region I : } \Delta_{01}^D(z \rightarrow z_0, \delta Y_0) = C^2 \exp\left(-\frac{(z_0 - \tilde{z})^2}{\kappa}\right)$$

$$\text{Region II : } \Delta_{01}^D(z \rightarrow z_0, \delta\tilde{Y} \rightarrow \delta Y_0, \delta Y_0) = 1 - N_{in} = G^2(\xi) \exp\left(-\frac{(z_0 - \tilde{z})^2}{\kappa}\right)$$

$$\text{with } G(\xi) = \exp\left(\frac{(\xi - \tilde{z})^2}{2\kappa} - \frac{1}{4}e^\xi\right)$$

Diffraction at high energy

- The homotopy method we can use is as follows

$$\mathcal{H}(p, u) = \mathcal{L}[u_p] + p \mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{L}}[u_p] = 0$$

With $u_p(Y, \mathbf{x}_{10}, \mathbf{b}) = u_0(Y, \mathbf{x}_{10}, \mathbf{b}) + p u_1(Y, \mathbf{x}_{10}, \mathbf{b}) + p^2 u_2(Y, \mathbf{x}_{10}, \mathbf{b}) + \dots$

- In this work we include in $\mathcal{L}[u_p]$ part of the non-linear corrections. First, we simplify the non-linear term as

$$\bar{\alpha}_S \int \frac{d^2 x_{02}}{2\pi} \frac{x_{01}^2}{x_{02}^2 x_{12}^2} \Delta_{02}^D \Delta_{12}^D \rightarrow \Delta_{01}^D \int_0^z dz' \Delta_{02}^D = \Delta_{01}^D \left(\zeta_{\Delta} - \int_z^{\infty} dz' \Delta_{02}^D \right) \text{ with } \zeta_{\Delta} = \int_0^{\infty} dz' \Delta_{02}^D$$

So we take

$$\mathcal{L}(\Delta_0^D) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \delta \tilde{Y}} + z - \zeta_{\Delta} \right) \Delta_0^D + \Delta_0^D(z, \delta \tilde{Y}, z_0) \int_z^{\infty} dz' \Delta_0^D(z', \delta \tilde{Y}, z_0)$$

$$\mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{L}}[\Delta^D] = \bar{\alpha}_S \int \frac{d^2 x_{02}}{2\pi} \frac{x_{01}^2}{x_{02}^2 x_{12}^2} \Delta_0^D(x_{02}) \Delta_0^D(x_{12}) - \Delta_0^D \int \frac{dx_{02}^2}{x_{02}^2} \Delta_{02}^D$$

Diffraction at high energy

- The first iteration ($p=0$) gives

$$\mathcal{L}(\Delta_0^D) = 0; \quad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \delta \tilde{Y}} + z - \zeta_\Delta \right) \Delta_0^D + \Delta_0^D(z, \delta \tilde{Y}, z_0) \int_z^\infty dz' \Delta_0^D(z', \delta \tilde{Y}, z_0) = 0;$$

- Introducing $\Delta^{(0)}(z, \xi_s) = 1 - \mathcal{N}_{01}(z, \xi_s) = \exp(-\Omega^{(0)}(z, \xi_s))$

with $\xi_s = \kappa \delta \tilde{Y}$, we obtain

$$\kappa \frac{\partial^2 \Omega^{(0)}(z, \xi_s)}{\partial \xi_s \partial z} = 1 - e^{-\Omega^{(0)}(z, \xi_s)}$$

- For region I, it reduces to

$$\kappa \frac{d^2 \Omega^{(0)}(z, z_0)}{dz^2} = 1 - e^{-\Omega^{(0)}(z, z_0)}$$

Diffraction at high energy

- Solution is found by defining $\frac{d\Omega^{(0)}(z)}{dz} = p(\Omega^{(0)})$ so that

$$\frac{1}{2}\kappa \frac{dp^2}{d\Omega^{(0)}} = 1 - e^{-\Omega^{(0)}(z)}$$

- With the solution

$$p = \frac{d\Omega^{(0)}}{dz} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\kappa} (\Omega^{(0)} + \exp(-\Omega^{(0)}) - 1) + C_1}$$

- Integrating and applying initial conditions, we get

$$\int_a^{\Omega^{(0)}} \frac{d\Omega'}{\sqrt{\Omega' + \exp(-\Omega') - a}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\kappa}} (z - \tilde{z})$$

with $a = (z_0 - \tilde{z})^2 / (2\kappa) - 2 \ln C$.

Diffraction at high energy

- To solve the integral, we assume $\Omega^{(0,I)}$ is large, so that we can use the expansion $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2n-1)!! x^n}{2^n n!}$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega' + \exp(-\Omega') - a}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega' - a}} \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)!!}{k!} \left(-\frac{e^{-\Omega'}}{2(\Omega' - a)} \right)^k \right)$$

- So defining function $\mathcal{U}(\Omega^{(0,I)})$ as

$$\mathcal{U}(\Omega^{(0,I)}) = \int_a^{\Omega^{(0,I)}} \frac{d\Omega'}{\sqrt{\Omega' + \exp(-\Omega') - a}}$$

- We obtain

$$\mathcal{U}(\Omega^{(0,I)}) = 2\sqrt{\Omega^{(0,I)} - a} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k k^{k-\frac{1}{2}} (2k-1)!!}{2^k k!} e^{-a k} \left(\frac{(-1)^k 2^k \sqrt{\pi}}{(2k-1)!!} - \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - k, (k(-a + \Omega^{(0,I)}))\right) \right)$$

Diffraction at high energy

- Now using the asymptotic expansion $\Gamma(a, z) \sim z^{a-1} e^{-z}$ we obtain

$$2\sqrt{\Omega^{(0,I)} - a} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} (2k-1)!!}{2^k k k!} \left(\frac{1}{\Omega^{(0,I)} - a} \right)^{k+\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-k \Omega^{(0,I)}\right) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\kappa}} (z - \tilde{z})$$

- And for large z leads to

$$\Omega^{(0,I)}(z) - a = \frac{(z - \tilde{z})^2}{2\kappa} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} (2k-1)!!}{2^k k k!} \left(\frac{1}{\frac{(z-\tilde{z})^2}{2\kappa}} \right)^{k+\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-k \frac{(z - \tilde{z})^2}{2\kappa}\right)$$

- Finally $\Delta_0^{(0,I)} = \exp(-\Omega^{(0,I)})$ can be rewritten as follows

$$\Delta_0^{(0,I)}(z) = \Delta_{LT}(z) \exp\left(-a + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} (2k-1)!!}{2^k k k!} \left(\frac{2\kappa}{(z - \tilde{z})^2} \right)^{k+\frac{1}{2}} \Delta_{LT}^k(z)\right)$$

where $\Delta_{LT}(z) = \exp\left(-\frac{(z - \tilde{z})^2}{2\kappa}\right)$

Diffraction at high energy

- For region II, we have

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Omega^{(0)}(z, \xi_s)}{\partial z^2} - \frac{\partial^2 \Omega^{(0)}(z, \xi_s)}{\partial t^2} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \left(1 - e^{-\Omega^{(0)}(z', \xi_s)} \right)$$

where $z = \xi_s + \xi$ and $t = \xi_s - \xi$.

- This equation has the traveling wave solution

$$\int_{\Omega_0^{(0)}(z_0, \xi_{0,s})}^{\Omega^{(0)}(z, \xi_s)} \frac{d\Omega'}{\sqrt{C_1 + \frac{2}{\kappa(\mu^2 - \nu^2)} (\Omega' + \exp(-\Omega'))}} = \mu z + \nu t + C_2$$

- We rewrite as follows for satisfy initial conditions

$$\int_{\Omega_0}^{\Omega^{(0)}(z, \xi_s)} \frac{d\Omega'}{\sqrt{-\Omega_0 + \Omega' + \exp(-\Omega')}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\kappa}} \left((1 + \nu) z + \nu t - \tilde{z} - 2\nu \xi_{0,s} \right)$$

Diffraction at high energy

- Therefore $\Omega^{(0,II)}$ is the solution to the equation

$$\mathcal{U} \left(\Omega^{(0,II)}, \Omega_0 \right) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\kappa}} \left((1 + \nu) z + \nu t - \hat{z} \right)$$

where $\hat{z} = \tilde{z} + 2\nu\xi_{0,s}$

- Following the same steps, we obtain

$$\Delta_0^{(0,II)}(z, \xi_s) = \tilde{\Delta}_{LT}(z, \xi_s) \exp \left(-\Omega_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} (2k-1)!!}{2^k k k!} \left(\frac{2\kappa}{((1+\nu)z + \nu t - \hat{z})^2} \right)^{k+\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{\Delta}_{LT}^k(z, \xi_s) \right)$$

where $\tilde{\Delta}_{LT}(z, \xi_s) = \exp \left(-\frac{((1+\nu)z + \nu t - \hat{z})^2}{2\kappa} \right)$

- By doing the matching on the line $\xi = \xi_0^A$, we find $\nu = 0$

Diffraction at high energy

- Let's rewrite the KL equation as follows

$$n_{01}^D = \frac{\bar{\alpha}_S}{2\pi} \int d^2 r_2 K(r_{10}|r_{12}, r_{02}) \left\{ N_{12}^D + N_{02}^D - N_{01}^D + N_{12}^D N_{02}^D - 2 N_{12}^D N_{02} - 2 N_{12} N_{02}^D + 2 N_{12} N_{02} \right\}$$

- We see that

$$n^D(z, Y_M, z_0, \delta Y_0; b) = \frac{\partial N^D(z, \delta \tilde{Y}, \delta Y_0)}{\partial \delta \tilde{Y}} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{N}(z, \delta \tilde{Y}, \delta Y_0)}{\partial \delta \tilde{Y}} + 2 \frac{\partial N(z, \delta \tilde{Y}, \delta Y_0)}{\partial \delta \tilde{Y}}$$

- Applying chain rule on function \mathcal{U}

$$\frac{d\mathcal{U}(\Omega^{(0,I)})}{dz} = \frac{d\mathcal{U}(\Omega^{(0,I)})}{d\Omega^{(0,I)}} \frac{d\Omega^{(0,I)}}{dz} = \frac{d\Omega^{(0,I)}}{dz} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega^{(0,I)} + \exp(-\Omega^{(0,I)}) - a}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\kappa}}$$

- We obtain

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{N}(z, \delta \tilde{Y}, \delta Y_0)}{\partial \delta \tilde{Y}} = \kappa \frac{d\Omega^{(0,I)}}{dz} \exp(-\Omega^{(0,I)}) = \sqrt{2\kappa} \sqrt{\Omega^{(0,I)} + \exp(-\Omega^{(0,I)}) - a} \exp(-\Omega^{(0,I)})$$

Diffraction at high energy

- Therefore

$$n^{(D,I)} = -\sqrt{2\kappa (\Omega^{(0,I)} + \Delta_0^{(0,I)} - a^I)} \Delta_0^{(0,I)} + 2 \sqrt{2\kappa (\Omega^{(0,I)} + \Delta_0^{(0,I)} - a^I/2)} \Delta_0^{(0,I)}$$

$$n^{(D,II)} = -\sqrt{2\kappa (\Omega^{(0,II)} + \Delta_0^{(0,II)} - a^{II})} \Delta_0^{(0,II)} + 2 \sqrt{2\kappa (\Omega^{(0,II)} + \Delta_0^{(0,II)} - a^{II}/2)} \Delta_0^{(0,II)}$$

where $a^I = (z_0 - \tilde{z})^2 / (2\kappa) - 2 \ln C$ and $a^{II} = \frac{(z_0 - \tilde{z})^2}{2\kappa} - \frac{(z_0 - \xi_{0,s} - \tilde{z})^2}{\kappa} + \frac{1}{2} \exp(z_0 - \xi_{0,s})$

- Finally, amplitude $N^D(Y; Y_0, r_{01}; b)$ is given by

$$N^D(Y; Y_0, r_{01}; b) = N_{el}^2(Y_0) + \int_{Y_0}^Y dY' \sigma_{diff}(Y', Y_0, b) \equiv N_{el}^2(Y_0) + \int_0^{Y_M} dY' n^D(Y', Y_0, r_{01}; b)$$

- For relate with experiment, we should use formulas

$$\sigma^{diff}(Y, Y_0, Q^2) = \int d^2 r_{\perp} \int dz |\Psi^{\gamma*}(Q^2; r_{\perp}, z)|^2 \sigma_{dipole}^{diff}(r_{\perp}, Y, Y_0)$$

where $\sigma_{dipole}^{diff}(r_{\perp}, Y, Y_0) = \int d^2 b d^2 b' N^D(r_{\perp}, Y, Y_0; \mathbf{b})$

Diffraction at high energy

- Now, the equation for the second iteration is

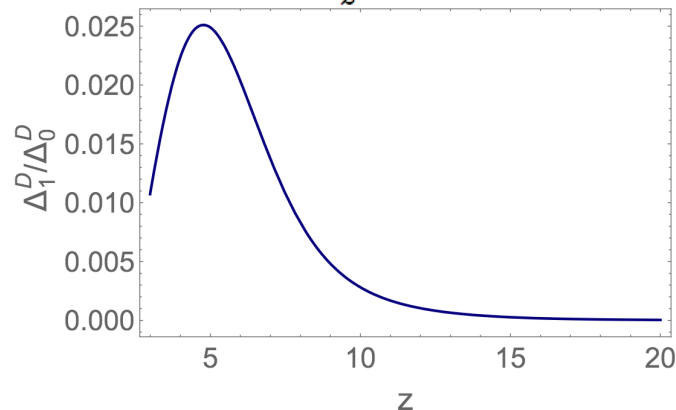
$$\left(\kappa \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + z - \zeta\right) \Delta_1^D(z, z_0) + \underbrace{\Delta_0^D(z, z_0) \int_z^\infty dz' \Delta_1^D(z', z_0) + \Delta_1^D(z, z_0) \int_z^\infty dz' \Delta_0^D(z', z_0)}_{\sim (\Delta^0)^3} = - \underbrace{\mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{L}}[\Delta_0^D(z)]}_{\sim (\Delta^0)^2}$$

- Taking into account only terms of the order of $(\Delta^0)^2$

$$\Delta_1^D(z, z_0) = -\Delta_0^D(z, z_0) \int_z^\infty dz' \frac{1}{\Delta_0^D(z', z_0)} \mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{L}}[\Delta_0^D(z')]$$

- The particular solution can be written as follows

$$\Delta_1^D(z, z_0) = -\Delta_0^D(z, z_0) \int_z^\infty dz' \frac{1}{\Delta_0^D(z', z_0)} \mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{L}}[\Delta_0^D(z')]$$



Diffraction at high energy

- This was numerical calculation, but you can also do some simplifications for obtain an analytical solution

$$\left(\kappa \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + z \right) \Delta_1^D(z, \xi, z_0) = -\mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{L}}[\Delta_0^D(z)] = -\exp\left(-\frac{(z - 2 \ln 2)^2}{\kappa} - \tilde{\phi}(\xi, z_0)\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa \Delta_1^D(z, \xi, z_0) &= \Delta_0^D(z, \xi, z_0) \int_{z_0}^z dz' \frac{\mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{L}}[\Delta_0^D(z')]}{\Delta_0^D(z, \xi, z_0)} \\ &= \Delta_0^D(z, \xi, z_0) \sqrt{\frac{\pi \kappa}{2}} e^{\frac{4 \ln^2 2}{\kappa}} \left(-\operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{z_0 - 4 \ln 2}{\sqrt{2\kappa}}\right) + \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{z - 4 \ln 2}{\sqrt{2\kappa}}\right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Finally, let me briefly talk you about $\Delta_0^{pQCD}(z_D, \xi, z_0)$, region where $z_0 \leq 0$ and initial conditions are

$$\mathcal{N}^D(z \rightarrow z_0, \delta\tilde{Y} = \delta Y_0) = 2 N^{\text{BFKL}}(z_0, \delta Y_0) - (N^{\text{BFKL}}(z_0, \delta Y_0))^2 = 2 N_0 (r^2 Q_s^2(\delta Y_0))^{\bar{\gamma}} - N_0^2 (r^2 Q_s^2(\delta Y_0))^{2\bar{\gamma}}$$

or

$$\Omega_0^{0,pQCD} = \mathcal{N}^D(z \rightarrow z_0, \delta\tilde{Y} = \delta Y_0, \delta Y_0) = 2 N_0 (r^2 Q_s^2(\delta Y_0))^{\bar{\gamma}} - N_0^2 (r^2 Q_s^2(\delta Y_0))^{2\bar{\gamma}} = 2 N_0 e^{\bar{\gamma} z_0} - N_0^2 e^{2\bar{\gamma} z_0}$$

Diffraction at high energy

- We have

$$\int_{\Omega_0^{0,pQCD}}^{\Omega^{0,pQCD}} \frac{d\Omega'}{\sqrt{\Omega' + e^{-\Omega'} - 1 + \frac{1}{2}(\bar{\gamma}^2 \kappa - 1) \left(\Omega_0^{0,pQCD}\right)^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\kappa}} (z - z_0)$$

- and we rewrite this as

$$\underbrace{\int_1^{\Omega^{0,pQCD}} \frac{d\Omega'}{\sqrt{\Omega' + e^{-\Omega'} - 1}}}_{\mathcal{U}_1(\Omega^{0,pQCD})} + \underbrace{\int_{\Omega_0^{0,pQCD}}^1 \frac{d\Omega'}{\sqrt{\Omega' + e^{-\Omega'} - 1 + \frac{1}{2}(\bar{\gamma}^2 \kappa - 1) \left(\Omega_0^{0,pQCD}\right)^2}}}_{\mathcal{U}_2(\Omega_0^{0,pQCD})} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\kappa}} (z - z_0)$$

- Considering $\Omega^{0,pQCD}$ large for $\mathcal{U}_1(\Omega^{0,pQCD})$ and $\Omega_0^{0,pQCD}$ small for $\mathcal{U}_2(\Omega_0^{0,pQCD,0})$, we obtain

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$$\Omega^{0,pQCD}(\tilde{\zeta}, \Omega_0^{0,pQCD}) > 1 \quad \Delta_0^{pQCD}(z_D, \xi, z_0) = \exp\left(-\Omega^{0,pQCD}(\tilde{\zeta})\right)$$

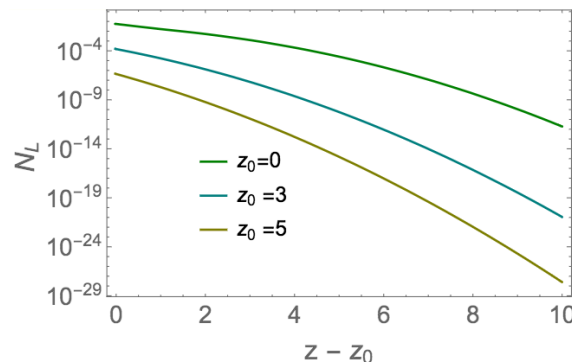
$$\text{with } \tilde{\zeta} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\kappa}}(z - z_0) - \mathcal{U}_2\left(\Omega_0^{(pQCD,0)}\right)$$

$$\Omega^{0,pQCD}(\tilde{\zeta}, \Omega_0^{0,pQCD}) < 1 \quad \Delta_0^{pQCD}(z_D, \xi, z_0) = \Omega_0^{0,pQCD}\left(\cosh\left(\frac{z - z_0}{\sqrt{\kappa}}\right) + \bar{\gamma}\sqrt{\kappa}\sinh\left(\frac{z - z_0}{\sqrt{\kappa}}\right)\right)$$

$$\text{where } \mathcal{U}_2(\Omega_0^{(pQCD,0)}) = -\sqrt{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\ln(\Omega_0^{(pQCD,0)})^2 + \frac{1}{2}\ln\frac{(\bar{\gamma}^2\kappa - 1)}{4}\frac{1 + \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}\sqrt{\kappa}}}{1 - \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}\sqrt{\kappa}}}\right)$$

- Finally, for the second iteration we have

$$\Delta_1^D(z_D, \xi, z_0) = \Delta_0^{pQCD}(z_D, \xi, z_0) \int_{z_0}^{z_D} dz' \frac{1}{\Delta_0^{pQCD}(z', \xi, z_0)} \mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{L}}$$



Conclusions

- **It has been shown** that the **zero order solution (first iteration)** is a **good approximation** for solving non-linear equation that appear in QCD, and that the iteration procedure, which is being partly numerical, leads to **small corrections**.
- However, there are still some **open questions**. What about for a running coupling? (actually, in development!), what about for other nonlinear equations? (in development too), how to confront these results with experimental data?, etc.

Thank you for your attention!

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