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3 Parton production in DIS at small x

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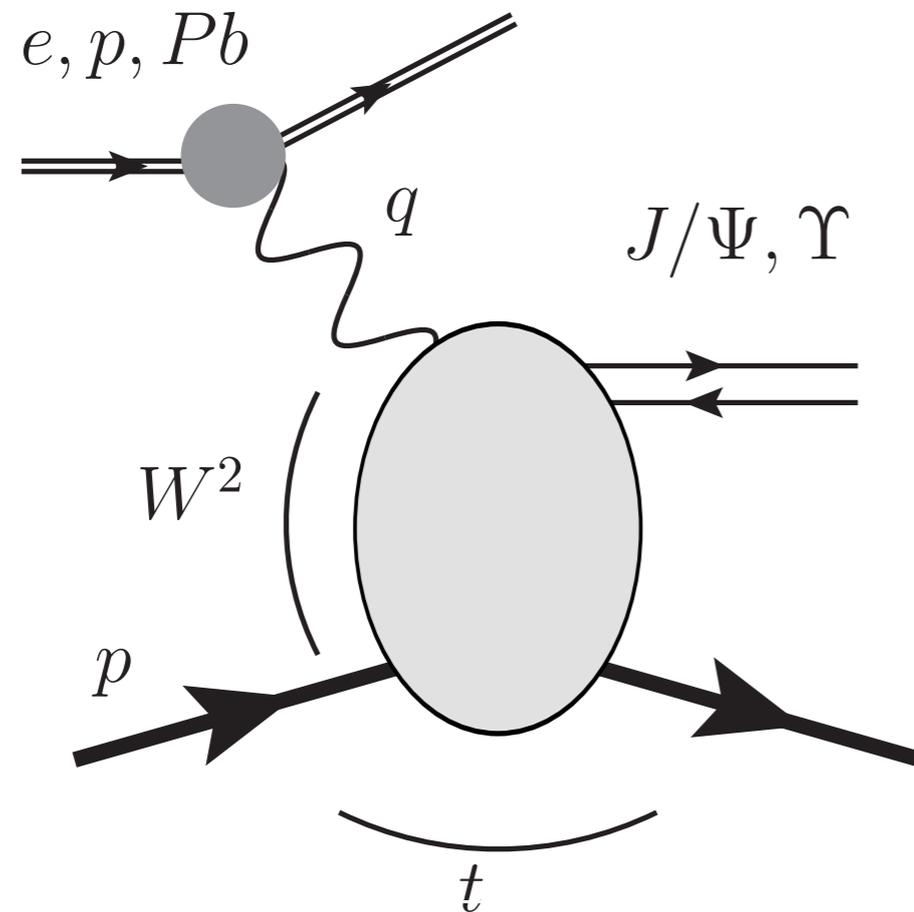
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start with something else: exclusive VM production in UPC@LHC

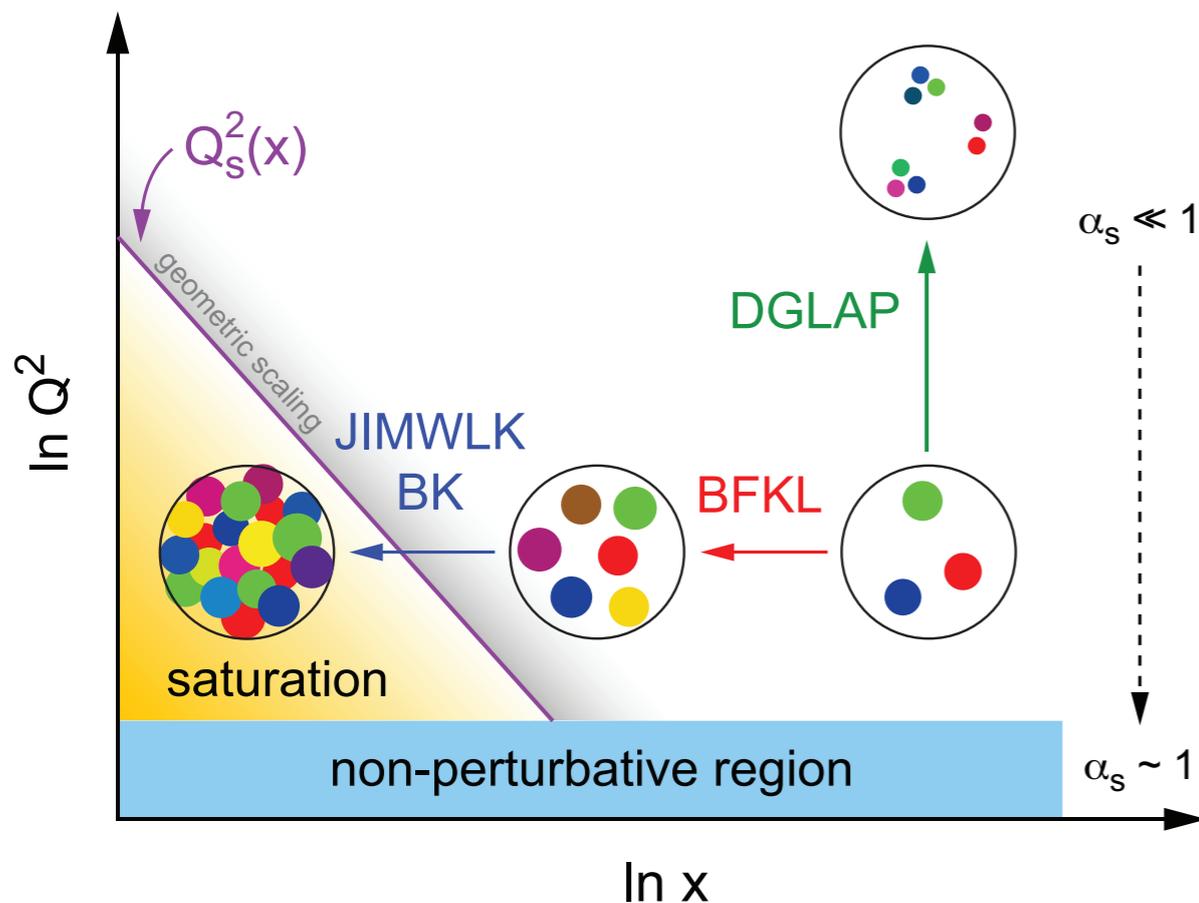
[Bautista, Fernandez-Tellez, MH; 1607.05203]



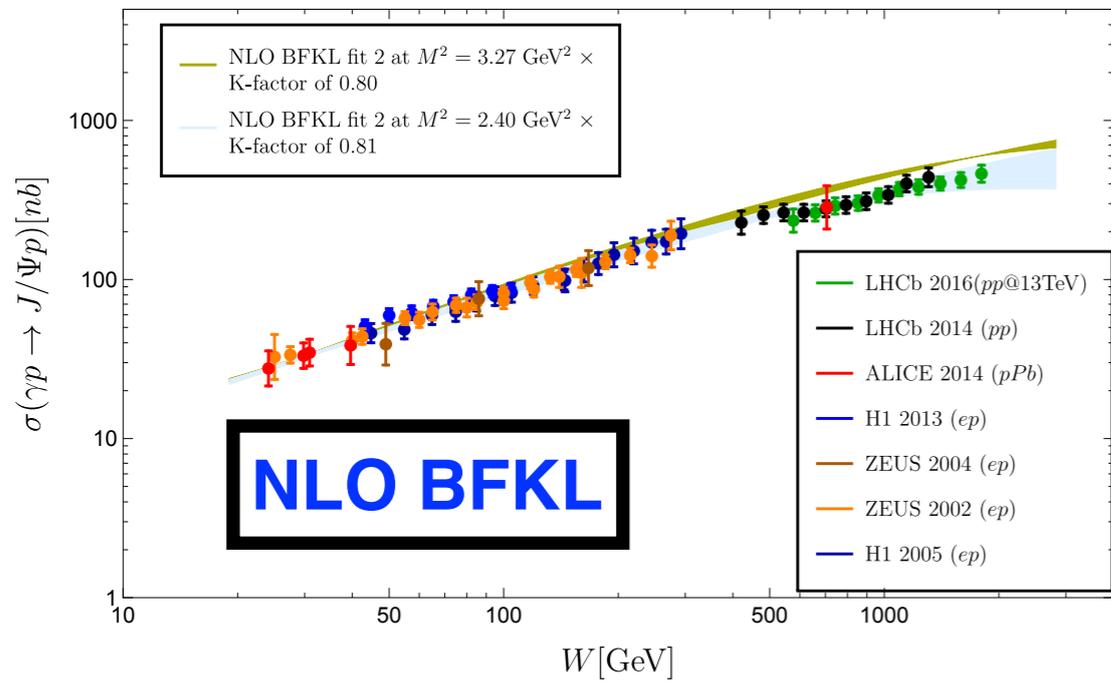
- ▶ measured at HERA (ep) and LHC (pp , ultra-peripheral pPb)
- ▶ charm and bottom mass provide hard scale \rightarrow pQCD
- ▶ exclusive process, but allows to relate to inclusive gluon

reach values down to $x = 4 \times 10^{-6} \rightarrow$ (unique ?) opportunity to explore the low x gluon

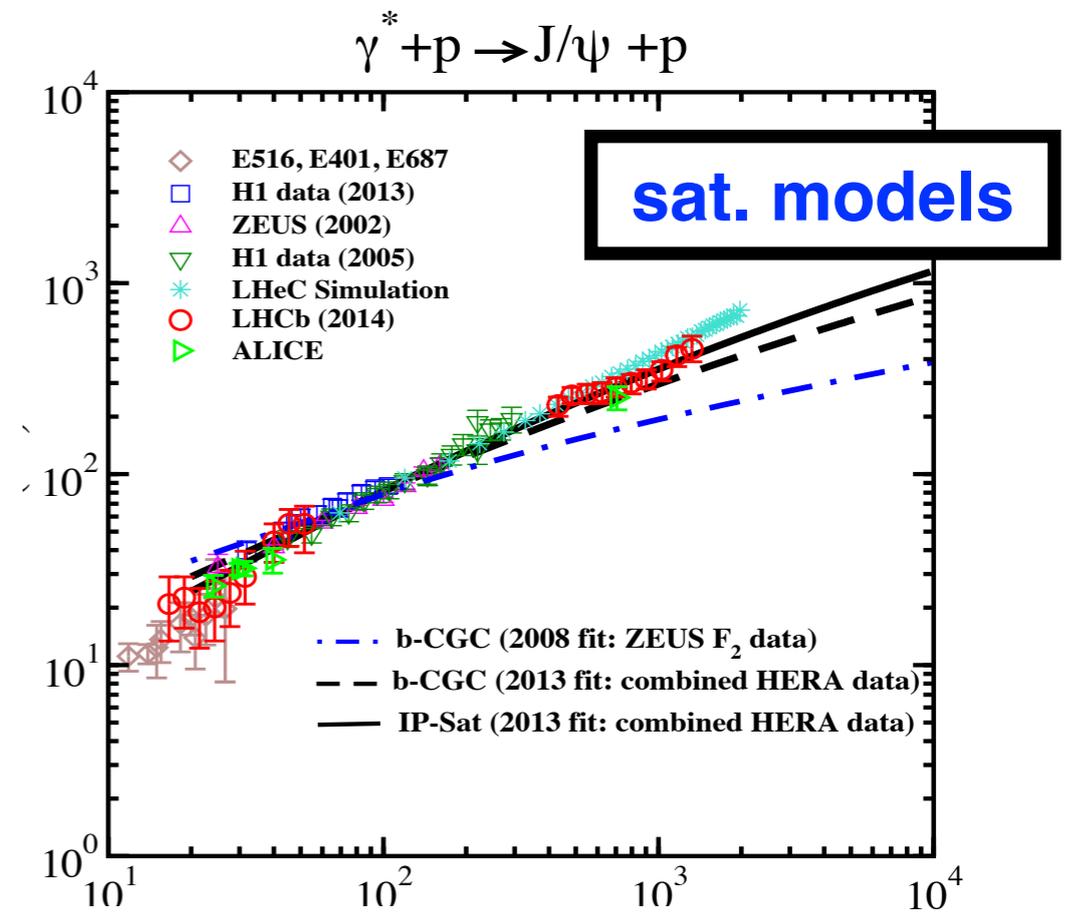
in particular: test low x evolution and look for possible onset of saturation



- gluon grows like a power at low x
- at some x_0 : saturation/high density will set in \rightarrow slow down the growth
- when will it happen? do we reach this region already in UPCs@LHC? is it already there



[Bautista, Fernandez-Tellez, MH; 1607.05203]



[Armesto, Rezaeian; 1402.4831],

[Goncalves, Moreira, Navarra; 1405.6977]

observation: both non-linear saturation models & linear NLO BFKL describe data; 2 potential explanations:

- saturation still far away
- BFKL can mimic effects in “transition region” → both connected!

$$2 \int d^2 \mathbf{b} \mathcal{N}(x, r, b) = \frac{4\pi}{N_c} \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}}{\mathbf{k}^2} \left(1 - e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}}\right) \alpha_s G(x, \mathbf{k}^2).$$

dipole amplitude/includes saturation

BFKL unintegrated gluon

evolution differs (presence or absence of nonlinear terms),

.... but essentially same object

technical reason:

- interaction of a single quark line with infinitely many gluons is somehow equivalent to the interaction with a single high energy gluon (“reggeization”) [Bartels, Wüsthoff, Z.Phys. C66 (1995) 157-180], others ...
- Color Glass Condensate formalism: interaction collected into a single Wilson line → one effective vertex

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \xrightarrow{p} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \xrightarrow{q} \text{---} \end{array} \text{ (with a vertical stack of gluon lines) } \\
 = (2\pi)^d \delta^{(d)}(p - q) \tilde{S}_F^{(0)}(p) + \tilde{S}_F^{(0)}(p) \text{ (with a circle containing an X) } \tilde{S}_F^{(0)}(q) \\
 \\
 \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \text{ (with a vertical stack of gluon lines) } \\
 = (2\pi)^d \delta^{(d)}(p - q) \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^{(0)}(p) + \tilde{G}_{\mu\alpha}^{(0)}(p) \text{ (with a circle containing an X) } \tilde{G}_{\alpha\nu}^{(0)}(q)
 \end{array}$$

- to manifest non-linear effects, need to evolve over (relatively large) regions of phase space
 - BFKL: $\partial_{\ln 1/x} G(x, k) = K \otimes G$ not clear how fast the non-linear term becomes relevant
 - BK: $\partial_{\ln 1/x} G(x, k) = K \otimes G - G \otimes G$
- an alternative: observables which reveal non-linear effects without evolution

$$\text{Observable} \sim G + \#G^2 + \#G^4 + \dots$$

a possibility: observables which depend on the quadrupole

$$\mathcal{N}^{(4)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4) = \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr} \left(1 - V(\mathbf{x}_1) V^\dagger(\mathbf{x}_2) V(\mathbf{x}_3) V^\dagger(\mathbf{x}_4) \right) \\ \sim G + \#G^2 + \#G^4 + \dots$$

(= 4 gluon exchange doesn't reduce to effective 2 gluon exchange on Xsec. level)

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{b}) = \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr} \left(1 - V(\mathbf{x}) V^\dagger(\mathbf{y}) \right)$$

contains also 4 gluon exchange, but gathered in 2 Wilson lines

$$V(\mathbf{z}) \equiv V_{ij}(\mathbf{z}) \equiv \text{P exp } ig \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx^+ A^{-,c}(x^+, \mathbf{z}) t^c \\ U(\mathbf{z}) \equiv U^{ab}(\mathbf{z}) \equiv \text{P exp } ig \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx^+ A^{-,c}(x^+, \mathbf{z}) T^c$$

well known example where this happens:

production of 2 partons in DIS

[Dominguez, Marquet, Xiao, Yuan; 1101.0715]

believe: worthwhile to go a step beyond (\rightarrow extra constraints on so far little studied quadrupole)

this project: calculate

- a) inclusive 3-parton production at LO (real part of NLO corrections to di-partons)
- b) question: how to organise calculation in effective way; develop techniques for complex calculation?
- c) related calculation for diffraction (includes already virtual)

[Boussarie, Grabovsky, Szymanowski, Wallon; 1405.7676, 1606.00419]

NEW: re-vive idea of momentum space calculations within the CGC

Theory: Propagators in background field

use light-cone gauge, with $k^- = n^+ \cdot k$, $(n^+)^2 = 0$, $n^+ \sim$ target momentum

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Feynman diagram} = (2\pi)^d \delta^{(d)}(p - q) \tilde{S}_F^{(0)}(p) + \tilde{S}_F^{(0)}(p) \text{ [background field vertex]} \tilde{S}_F^{(0)}(q) \\ & \text{Feynman diagram} = (2\pi)^d \delta^{(d)}(p - q) \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^{(0)}(p) + \tilde{G}_{\mu\alpha}^{(0)}(p) \text{ [background field vertex]} \tilde{G}_{\alpha\nu}^{(0)}(q) \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{S}_F^{(0)}(p) = \frac{i\not{p} + m}{p^2 - m^2 + i0} \quad \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^{(0)}(p) = \frac{id_{\mu\nu}(p)}{p^2 + i0}$$

$$d_{\mu\nu}(p) = -g_{\mu\nu} + \frac{n_\mu^- p_\nu + p_\mu n_\nu^-}{n^- \cdot p}$$

[Balitsky, Belitsky; NPB 629 (2002) 290], [Ayala, Jalilian-Marian, McLerran, Venugopalan, PRD 52 (1995) 2935-2943], ...

interaction with the background field:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Feynman diagram} = \tau_{F,ij}(p, q) = 2\pi\delta(p^+ - q^+) \not{n} \\ & \times \int d^2z e^{iz \cdot (p - q)} \left\{ \theta(p^+) [V_{ij}(z) - 1_{ij}] - \theta(-p^+) [V_{ij}^\dagger(z) - 1_{ij}] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Feynman diagram} = \tau_G^{ab}(p, q) = 2\pi\delta(p^+ - q^+) (-2p^+) \\ & \times \int d^2z e^{iz \cdot (p - q)} \left\{ \theta(p^+) [U^{ab}(z) - 1] - \theta(-p^+) [(U^{ab})^\dagger(z) - 1] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$V(z) \equiv V_{ij}(z) \equiv \text{P exp } ig \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx^+ A^{-,c}(x^+, z) t^c$$

$$U(z) \equiv U^{ab}(z) \equiv \text{P exp } ig \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx^+ A^{-,c}(x^+, z) T^c$$

strong background field resummed into path ordered exponentials (Wilson lines)

$$A^-(x^+, x_t) = \delta(x^+) \alpha(x_t)$$

momentum vs. configuration space

conventional pQCD (use known techniques)	inclusion of finite masses (charm mass!)	intuition: interaction at $t=0$ with Lorentz contracted target
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momentum space	well explored	complication, but doable	lose intuitive picture at first -> large # of cancelations
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configuration space	poorly explored	very difficult	many diagrams automatically zero
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our approach:
work in momentum space + exploit configuration space to
set a large fraction of all diagrams to zero

How to do that?

Essentially: re-install configuration space rules at the level of a single diagram

essential results: can use configuration space simplification also for momentum space calculations

Result: New effective rules for momentum space

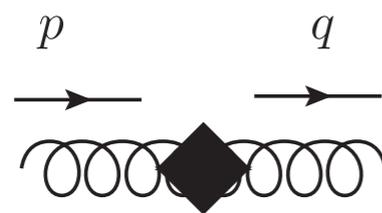
A. Determine zero light-cone time cuts of a given diagram

B. Place new vertices at these cuts



$$= \bar{\tau}_{F,ij}(p, q) = 2\pi\delta(p^+ - q^+) \cdot \not{n}$$

$$\cdot \int d^2\mathbf{z} e^{i\mathbf{z}\cdot(\mathbf{p}-\mathbf{q})} \left\{ \theta(p^+) V_{ij}(\mathbf{z}) - \theta(-p^+) V_{ij}^\dagger(\mathbf{z}) \right\}$$



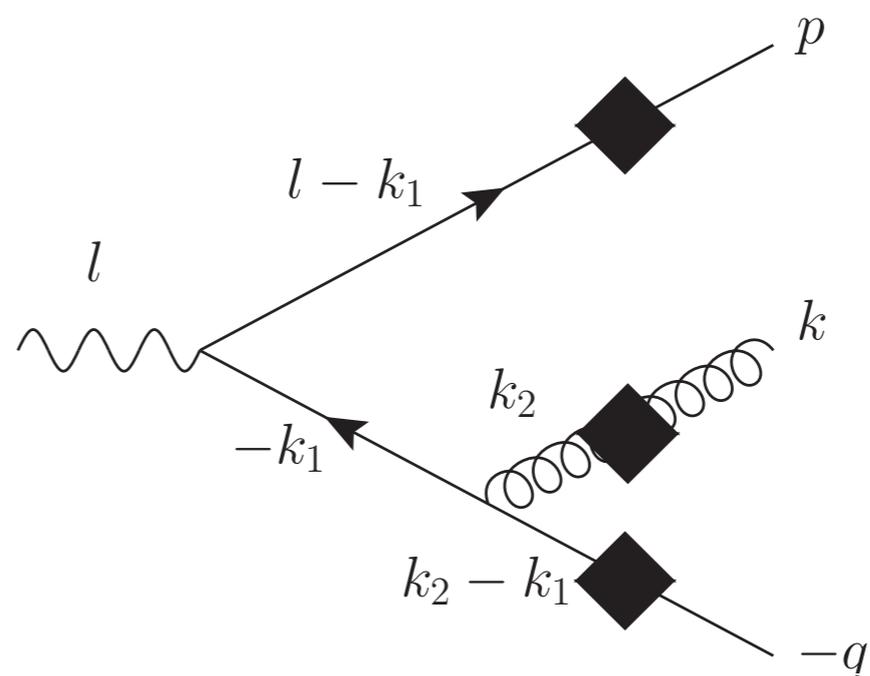
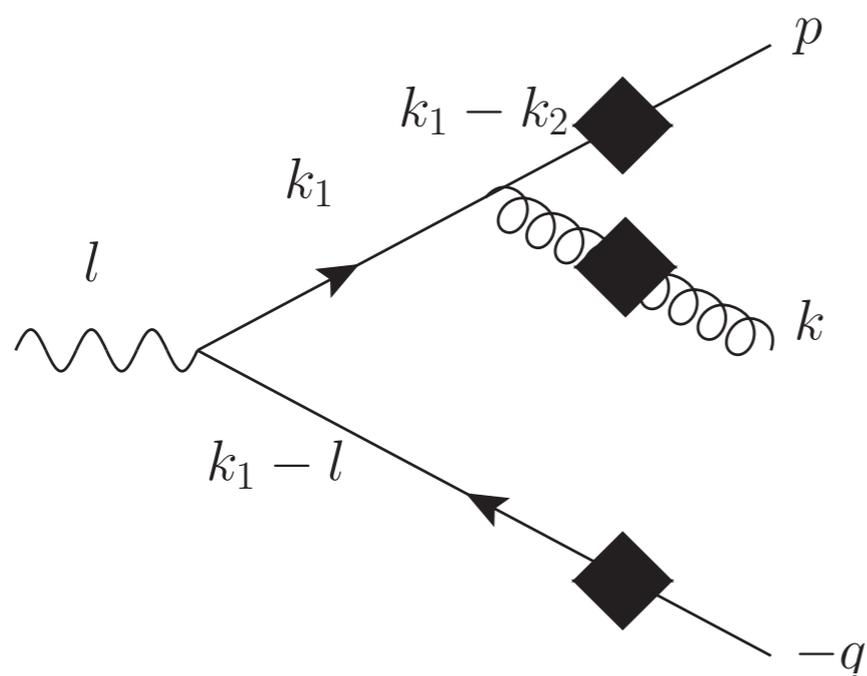
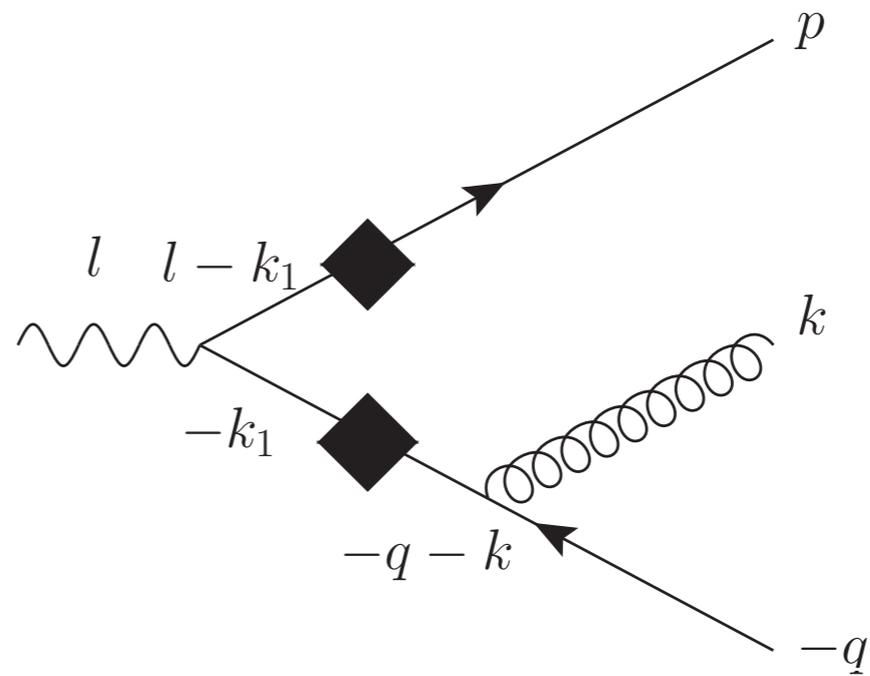
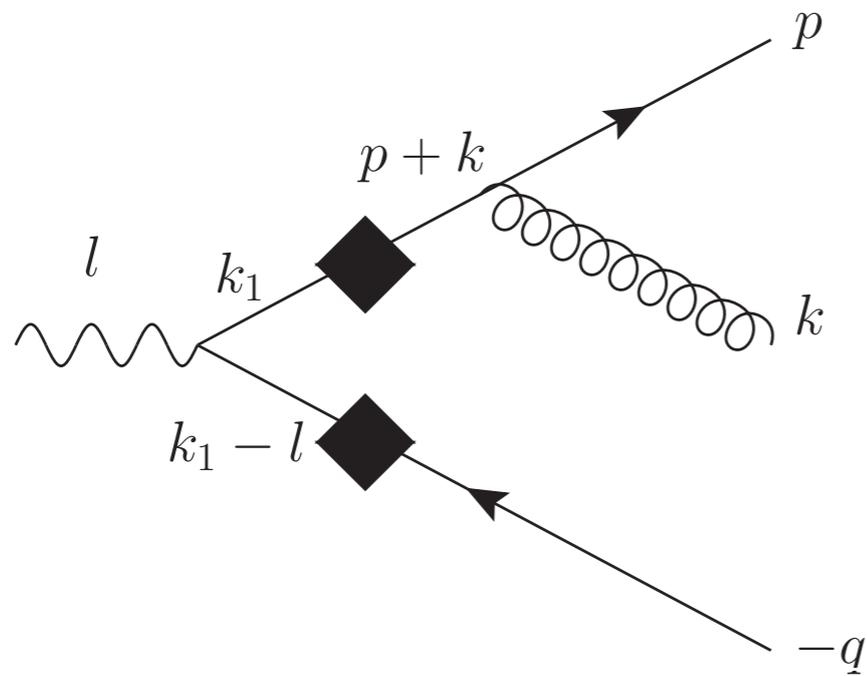
$$= \bar{\tau}_G^{ab}(p, q) = 2\pi\delta(p^+ - q^+) \cdot (-2p^+)$$

$$\cdot \int d^2\mathbf{z} e^{i\mathbf{z}\cdot(\mathbf{p}-\mathbf{q})} \left\{ \theta(p^+) U^{ab}(\mathbf{z}) - \theta(-p^+) \left(U^{ab} \right)^\dagger(\mathbf{z}) \right\}$$

verified by explicit calculation for tree level diagrams; in general also extendable to loop diagrams ...

First result: minimal set of amplitudes

(nothing new if you're used to work in coordinate space, momentum space: reduction by factor of 4)



What do we win with new momentum space rules?

can use techniques explored in (conventional)
Feynman diagram calculations

- ▶ loop integrals (d-dimensional, covariant) → won't talk about this today in general: complication due to Fourier factors remain
- ▶ **spinor helicity techniques** (calculate amplitudes not X_{sec} . + exploit helicity conservation in massless QCD) → compact expressions (→ for a different application to h.e.f. see [\[van Hameren, Kotko, Kutak, 1211.0961\]](#))

Spinor-helicity formalism

see e.g. [Mangano, Parke; Phys. Rept. 200, 301 (1991)] , [Dixon; hep-ph/9601359]

central idea: express both external spinors & polarisation vectors in terms of spinors of **massless** momenta of definite helicity

$$|i^\pm\rangle \equiv |k_i^\pm\rangle \equiv u_\pm(k_i) = v_\mp(k_i)$$

$$\langle i^\pm| \equiv \langle k_i^\pm| \equiv \bar{u}_\pm(k_i) = \bar{v}_\mp(k_i)$$

$u_\pm(k) = \frac{1 \pm \gamma_5}{2} u(p)$	$v_\mp(k) = \frac{1 \pm \gamma_5}{2} v(p)$
$\bar{u}_\pm(k) = \bar{u}(k) \frac{1 \mp \gamma_5}{2}$	$\bar{v}_\pm(k) = \bar{v}(k) \frac{1 \pm \gamma_5}{2}$

$$\epsilon_\mu^{(\lambda=+)}(k, n) \equiv + \frac{\langle k^+ | \gamma_\mu | n^+ \rangle}{\sqrt{2} \langle n^- | k^+ \rangle} = \left(\epsilon_\mu^{(\lambda=-)}(k, n) \right)^*$$

$$\epsilon_\mu^{(\lambda=-)}(k, n) \equiv - \frac{\langle k^- | \gamma_\mu | n^- \rangle}{\sqrt{2} \langle n^+ | k^- \rangle} = \left(\epsilon_\mu^{(\lambda=+)}(k, n) \right)^*$$

... and make heavy use of various IDs
→ many cancelations already at amplitude level

A reminder from before we realised that ...

Dirac traces from Computer Algebra Codes

- possible to express elements of Dirac trace in terms of scalar, vector and rank 2 tensor integrals
- Evaluation requires use of computer algebra codes; use 2 implementations:
FORM [\[Vermaseren, math-ph/0010025\]](#) &
Mathematica packages FeynCalc and FormLink
- result (3 parts) as coefficients of “basis”-functions $f_{(a)}$ and $h_{(a,b)}$; result lengthy ($\sim 100\text{kB}$), but manageable
- currently working on further simplification through integration by parts relation between basis function (work in progress)

the large N_c result

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d\sigma^{T,L}}{d^2\mathbf{p} d^2\mathbf{k} d^2\mathbf{q} dz_1 dz_2} &= \frac{\alpha_s \alpha_{em} e_f^2 N_c^2}{z_1 z_2 z_3 (2\pi)^2} \prod_{i=1}^3 \prod_{j=1}^3 \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{x}_i}{(2\pi)^2} \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{x}'_j}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}'_1) + i\mathbf{q}(\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}'_2) + i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}_3 - \mathbf{x}'_3)} \\
 &\left\langle (2\pi)^4 \left[\left(\delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_{13}) \delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_{1'3'}) \sum_{h,g} \psi_{1;h,g}^{T,L}(\mathbf{x}_{12}) \psi_{1';h,g}^{T,L,*}(\mathbf{x}_{1'2'}) + \{1, 1'\} \leftrightarrow \{2, 2'\} \right) N^{(4)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}'_1, \mathbf{x}'_2, \mathbf{x}_2) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + \left(\delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_{23}) \delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_{1'3'}) \sum_{h,g} \psi_{2;h,g}^{T,L}(\mathbf{x}_{12}) \psi_{1';h,g}^{T,L,*}(\mathbf{x}_{1'2'}) + \{1, 1'\} \leftrightarrow \{2, 2'\} \right) N^{(22)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}'_1 | \mathbf{x}'_2, \mathbf{x}_2) \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + (2\pi)^2 \left[\delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_{13}) \sum_{h,g} \psi_{1;h,g}^{T,L}(\mathbf{x}_{12}) \psi_{3';h,g}^{T,L,*}(\mathbf{x}_{1'3'}, \mathbf{x}_{2'3'}) N^{(24)}(\mathbf{x}_{3'}, \mathbf{x}_{1'} | \mathbf{x}_{2'}, -2, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_{3'}) + \{1\} \leftrightarrow \{2\} \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + \delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_{1'3'}) \sum_{h,g} \psi_{3;h,g}^{T,L}(\mathbf{x}_{13}, \mathbf{x}_{23}) \psi_{1';h,g}^{T,L,*}(\mathbf{x}_{1'2'}) N^{(24)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_3 | \mathbf{x}_{2'}, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_{1'}) + \{1'\} \leftrightarrow \{2'\} \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sum_{h,g} \psi_{3;h,g}^{T,L}(\mathbf{x}_{13}, \mathbf{x}_{23}) \psi_{3';h,g}^{T,L,*}(\mathbf{x}_{1'3'}, \mathbf{x}_{2'3'}) N^{(44)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_{1'}, \mathbf{x}_{3'}, \mathbf{x}_3 | \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_{3'}, \mathbf{x}_{2'}, \mathbf{x}_2) \right\rangle_{A-},
 \end{aligned}$$

in terms of correlators of Wilson lines
& wave functions

the details: correlators of Wilson lines

- written in terms of dipoles and quadrupoles

$$S_{(\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_2)}^{(2)} \equiv \frac{1}{N_c} \text{tr} \left[V(\mathbf{x}_1) V^\dagger(\mathbf{x}_2) \right]$$

$$S_{(\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_2\mathbf{x}_3\mathbf{x}_4)}^{(4)} \equiv \frac{1}{N_c} \text{tr} \left[V(\mathbf{x}_1) V^\dagger(\mathbf{x}_2) V(\mathbf{x}_3) V^\dagger(\mathbf{x}_4) \right]$$

- quadrupole $S^{(4)}$ linear & quadratic
 → extra handle to explore it wrt. 2 partons

$$N^{(4)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4) \equiv 1 + S_{(\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_2\mathbf{x}_3\mathbf{x}_4)}^{(4)} - S_{(\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_2)}^{(2)} - S_{(\mathbf{x}_3\mathbf{x}_4)}^{(2)},$$

$$N^{(22)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 | \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4) \equiv \left[S_{(\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_2)}^{(2)} - 1 \right] \left[S_{(\mathbf{x}_3\mathbf{x}_4)}^{(2)} - 1 \right]$$

$$N^{(24)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 | \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{x}_5, \mathbf{x}_6) \equiv 1 + S_{(\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_2)}^{(2)} S_{(\mathbf{x}_3\mathbf{x}_4\mathbf{x}_5\mathbf{x}_6)}^{(4)} - S_{(\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_2)}^{(2)} S_{(\mathbf{x}_3\mathbf{x}_6)}^{(2)} - S_{(\mathbf{x}_4\mathbf{x}_5)}^{(2)},$$

$$N^{(44)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4 | \mathbf{x}_5, \mathbf{x}_6, \mathbf{x}_7, \mathbf{x}_8) \equiv 1 + S_{(\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_2\mathbf{x}_3\mathbf{x}_4)}^{(4)} S_{(\mathbf{x}_5\mathbf{x}_6\mathbf{x}_7\mathbf{x}_8)}^{(4)} - S_{(\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{x}_4)}^{(2)} S_{(\mathbf{x}_5\mathbf{x}_8)}^{(2)} - S_{(\mathbf{x}_2\mathbf{x}_3)}^{(2)} S_{(\mathbf{x}_6\mathbf{x}_7)}^{(2)}$$

(quadrupole only linear)

the details: wave functions & amplitudes

$$\psi_{j,hg}^L = -2\sqrt{2}QK_0(QX_j) \cdot a_{j,hg}^{(L)}, \quad j = 1, 2$$

$$\psi_{j,hg}^T = 2ie^{\mp i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{12}}} \sqrt{(1 - z_3 - z_j)(z_j + z_3)} QK_1(QX_j) \cdot a_{j,hg}^{\pm}, \quad j = 1, 2$$

$$\psi_{3,hg}^L = 4\pi i Q \sqrt{2z_1 z_2} K_0(QX_3) (a_{3,hg}^{(L)} + a_{4,hg}^{(L)}),$$

$$\psi_{3,hg}^T = -4\pi Q \sqrt{z_1 z_2} \frac{K_1(QX_3)}{X_3} (a_{3,hg}^{\pm} + a_{4,hg}^{\pm}).$$

symmetry relation between amplitudes

$$a_{k+1,hg}^{T,L} = -a_{k,-hg}^{T,L}(\{p, \mathbf{x}_1\} \leftrightarrow \{q, \mathbf{x}_2\}), \quad k = 1, 3$$

$$a_{j,hg}^{T,L} = a_{j,-h-g}^{(-T,L)*}, \quad j = 1, \dots, 4.$$

longitudinal photon

$$a_{1,++}^{(L)} = -\frac{(z_1 z_2)^{3/2} (z_1 + z_3)}{z_3 e^{-i\theta_p} |\mathbf{p}| - z_1 e^{-i\theta_k} |\mathbf{k}|},$$

$$a_{3,++}^{(L)} = \frac{z_1 z_2}{|\mathbf{x}_{13}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{13}}}},$$

$$a_{1,-+}^{(L)} = -\frac{\sqrt{z_1 z_2} z_2^{3/2} (z_1 + z_3)^2}{z_3 e^{-i\theta_p} |\mathbf{p}| - z_1 e^{-i\theta_k} |\mathbf{k}|},$$

$$a_{3,-+}^{(L)} = \frac{z_2(1 - z_2)}{|\mathbf{x}_{13}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{13}}}},$$

transverse photon

$$a_{1,++}^{(+)} = -\frac{(z_1 z_2)^{3/2}}{z_3 e^{-i\theta_p} |\mathbf{p}| - z_1 e^{-i\theta_k} |\mathbf{k}|},$$

$$a_{1,+ -}^{(+)} = \frac{\sqrt{z_1} (z_2)^{3/2} (z_1 + z_3)}{z_1 e^{i\theta_k} |\mathbf{k}| - z_3 e^{i\theta_p} |\mathbf{p}|},$$

$$a_{1,- +}^{(+)} = \frac{\sqrt{z_1 z_2} (z_1 + z_3)^2}{z_3 e^{-i\theta_p} |\mathbf{p}| - z_1 e^{-i\theta_k} |\mathbf{k}|},$$

$$a_{1,--}^{(+)} = \frac{z_1^{3/2} \sqrt{z_2} (z_1 + z_3)}{z_3 e^{i\theta_p} |\mathbf{p}| - z_1 e^{i\theta_k} |\mathbf{k}|},$$

$$a_{3,++}^{(+)} = \frac{z_1 z_2 (z_2 z_3 |\mathbf{x}_{23}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{23}}} + z_3 |\mathbf{x}_{13}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{13}}} - z_1 z_2 |\mathbf{x}_{12}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{12}}})}{(z_1 + z_3) |\mathbf{x}_{13}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{13}}}},$$

$$a_{3,+ -}^{(+)} = \frac{z_2^2 (z_3 |\mathbf{x}_{23}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{23}}} - z_1 |\mathbf{x}_{12}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{12}}})}{|\mathbf{x}_{13}| e^{i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{13}}}},$$

$$a_{3,- +}^{(+)} = -\frac{z_2 (z_1 + z_3) (z_3 |\mathbf{x}_{23}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{23}}} - z_1 |\mathbf{x}_{12}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{12}}})}{|\mathbf{x}_{13}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{13}}}},$$

$$a_{3,--}^{(+)} = \frac{z_1 z_2 (z_1 |\mathbf{x}_{12}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{12}}} - z_3 |\mathbf{x}_{23}| e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{23}}})}{|\mathbf{x}_{13}| e^{i\phi_{\mathbf{x}_{13}}}}.$$

for precise def. see paper
take away message:
very compact expressions

First attempts in phenomenology

- differential Xsec: given in terms of dipole and quadrupole operators
- need to be evaluated for a given background field configuration = represents dynamics of target

$$\langle \dots \rangle_{A^-} = \int D[\rho] \dots e^{-W[\rho]}$$

ρ : color charge, relates to back-ground field through Yang-Mills equation

$$-\partial^2 A^{c,-}(z^+, \mathbf{x}) = g_s \rho_c(z^+, \mathbf{x})$$

- in general: weight function $W[\boldsymbol{\rho}]$ not known ... what can be extracted from inclusive DIS data is the dipole amplitude

$$\langle S^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \rangle_{A^-} = \frac{1}{N_c} \langle \text{tr} (V(\mathbf{x}_1) V^\dagger(\mathbf{x}_2)) \rangle_{A^-}$$

→ higher correlators not known; way out: “Gaussian approximation” (McLerran-Venugopalan model) for weight function with width $\boldsymbol{\mu}$

$$W[\boldsymbol{\rho}] = \int d^2\mathbf{x} \int d^2\mathbf{y} \int dz^+ \frac{\rho_c(z^+, \mathbf{x}) \rho_c(z^+, \mathbf{y})}{2\mu^2(z^+)}$$

can argue: good approximation in dilute limit

- allows to calculate dipole in terms of μ^2 and 2 point correlator of fields \rightarrow fix this combination from DIS inclusive fits of $S^{(2)}$
- calculate quadrupole correlator in terms of dipole correlator
[Dominguez, Marquet, Xiao, Yuan; 1101.0715]

$$S^{(4)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_{1'}, \mathbf{x}_{2'}, \mathbf{x}_2) = S^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)S^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_{1'}, \mathbf{x}_{2'}) - \frac{\Gamma(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_{2'}; \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_{1'})}{\Gamma(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2; \mathbf{x}_{2'}, \mathbf{x}_{1'})} S^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_{1'})S^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_{2'})$$

$$\Gamma(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_{2'}; \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_{1'}) = \ln \frac{S^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_{2'})S^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_{1'}, \mathbf{x}_2)}{S^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_{1'}, \mathbf{x}_{1'})S^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_{2'})}$$

- numerical study: a good approximation to full expression
[Dumitru, Jalilian-Marian, Lappi, Schenke, Venugopana; 1108.4764]
- in general: known for finite N_c ; here: large N_c limit \rightarrow argue that expectation values of combinations of $S^{(2)}$ and $S^{(4)}$ factorise

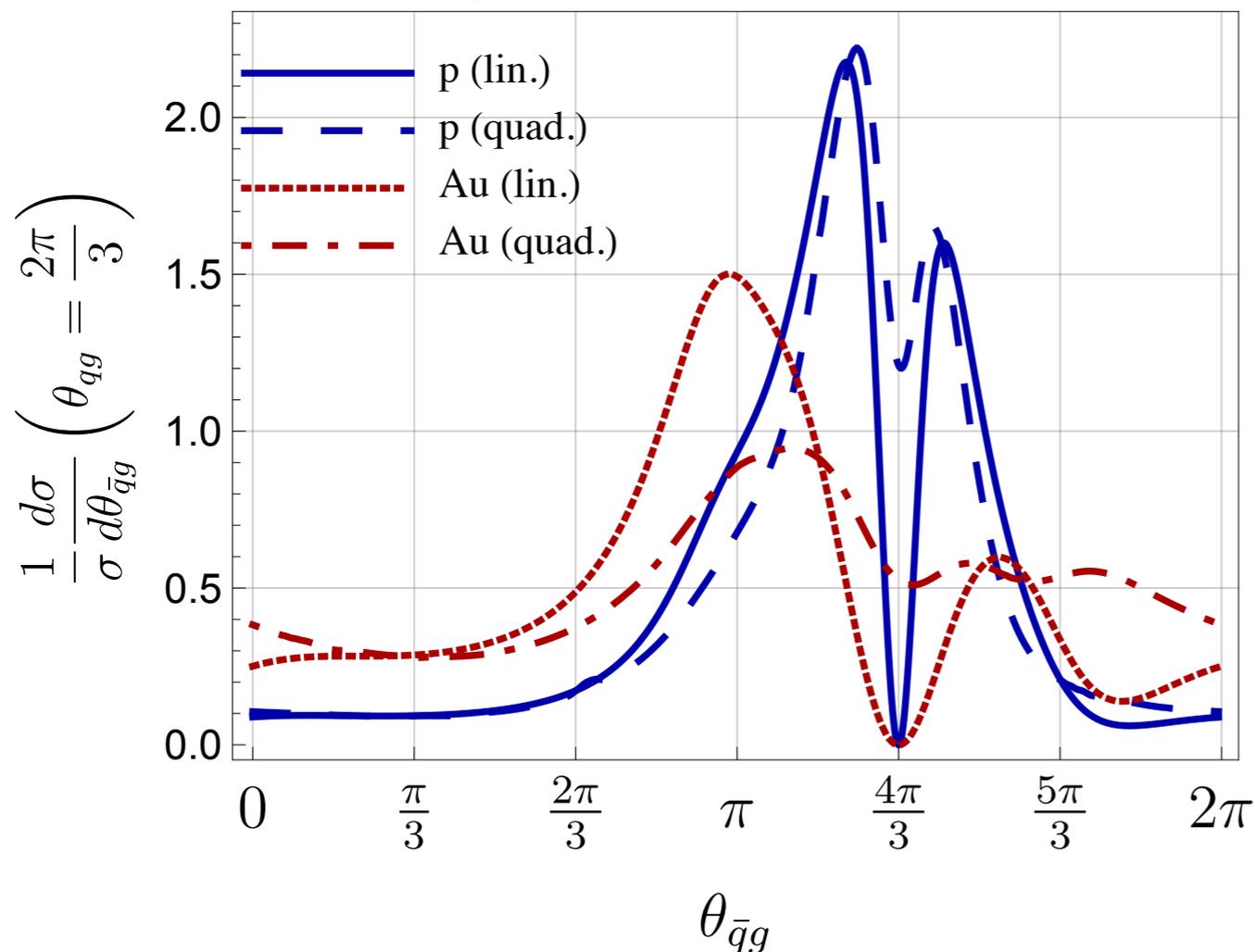
- our treatment: use $S^{(2)} = 1 - N^{(2)}$ and expand for small $N^{(2)}$ to linear and quadratic order \rightarrow large quadratic corrections: sensitive to non-linear effects
- For $S^{(2)}$ use model with parameters fitted to rcBK DIS fit
[Quiroga-Arias, Albacete, Armesto, Milhano, Salgado, 1107.0625]

$$\begin{aligned}
 S^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) &= \int d^2l e^{-i\mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{12}} \Phi(l^2) \\
 &= 2 \left(\frac{Q_0 |\mathbf{x}_{12}|}{2} \right)^{\alpha-1} \frac{K_{\alpha-1}(Q_0 |\mathbf{x}_{12}|)}{\Gamma(\alpha-1)}, \\
 \Phi(l^2) &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{Q_0^2 \pi \Gamma(\alpha-1)} \left(\frac{Q_0^2}{Q_0^2 + l^2} \right)^\alpha,
 \end{aligned}$$

- parameters: $\alpha = 2.3$
 proton: $Q_0^{\text{prot.}} = 0.69 \text{ GeV}$ correspond to $x = 0.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$
 gold: $Q_0^{\text{gold}} = A^{1/6} Q_0^{\text{prot.}} = 1.67 \text{ GeV}$

First study at partonic level

- explore deviations from Mercedes star configuration \rightarrow back-to-back for three particles
- parton p_T fixed to 2 GeV, $Q=3$ GeV



- fix one angle (quark-gluon), vary antiquark-gluon
- sizeable quadratic corrections for gold

Summary:

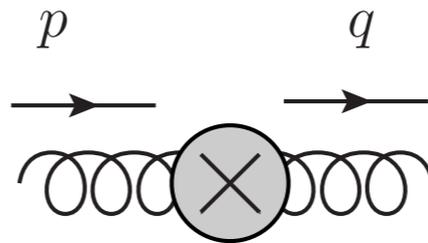
a more detailed phenomenological study is needed ... ,
so far:

- possible to use momentum space calculations for CGC calculations → access to momentum space techniques
- helicity spinor formalism can greatly simplify calculations within high energy factorisation
- to detect high gluon density effects, observables directly sensitive to such effects should help (“evolution only” might require too much phase space)
→ we studied such an observables and showed that this could actually work (at partonic level so far)

Gracias!

Configuration space: cuts at $x^+ = 0$

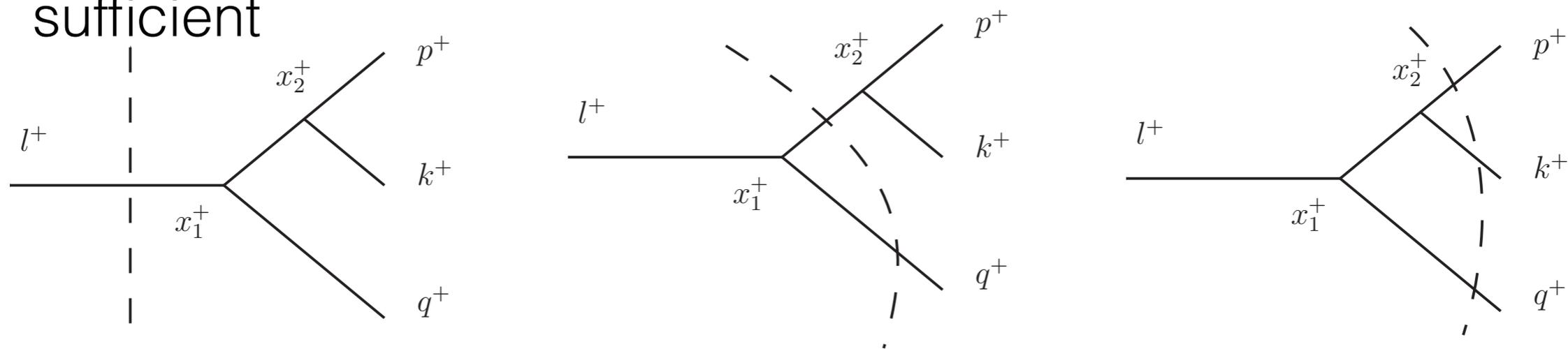
- start without special vertices



- divide x_i^+ integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx^+ \rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^0 dx^+ + \int_0^{\infty} dx^+ +$ theta functions in plus momenta & coordinates \rightarrow each of our diagrams cut by a line separating positive & negative light-cone time (left: negative; right: positive)

- only plus coordinates & momenta \rightarrow skeleton diagrams

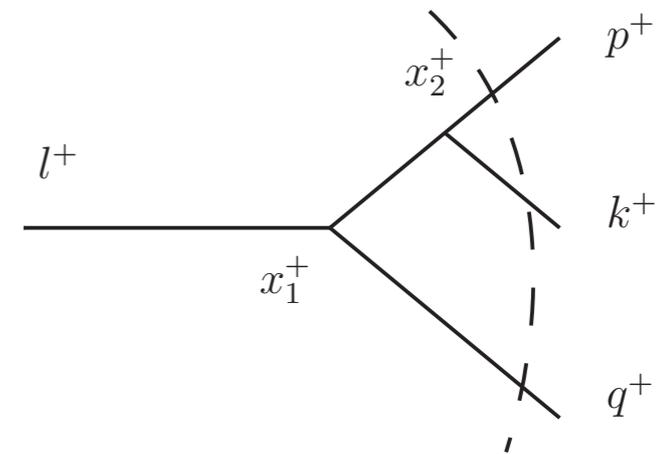
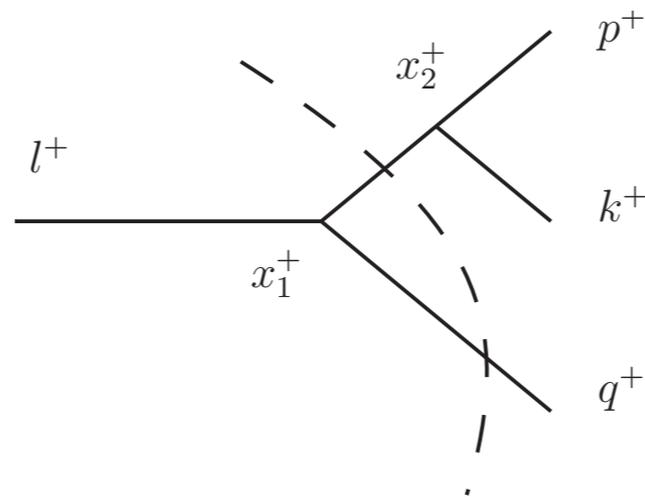
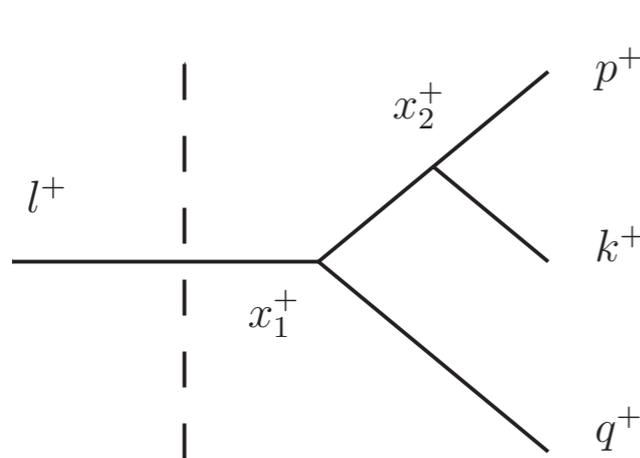
sufficient



- a “cut” propagator crosses light-cone time $x^+ = 0$

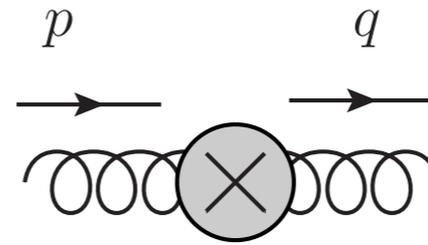
Which cuts are possible?

- in general: any line through the diagram
- fix kinematics to s-channel kinematics [$l^+ = p^+ + q^+ + k^+$, all plus momenta positive always]
 - only s-channel type cuts possible (\sim vertical cuts)



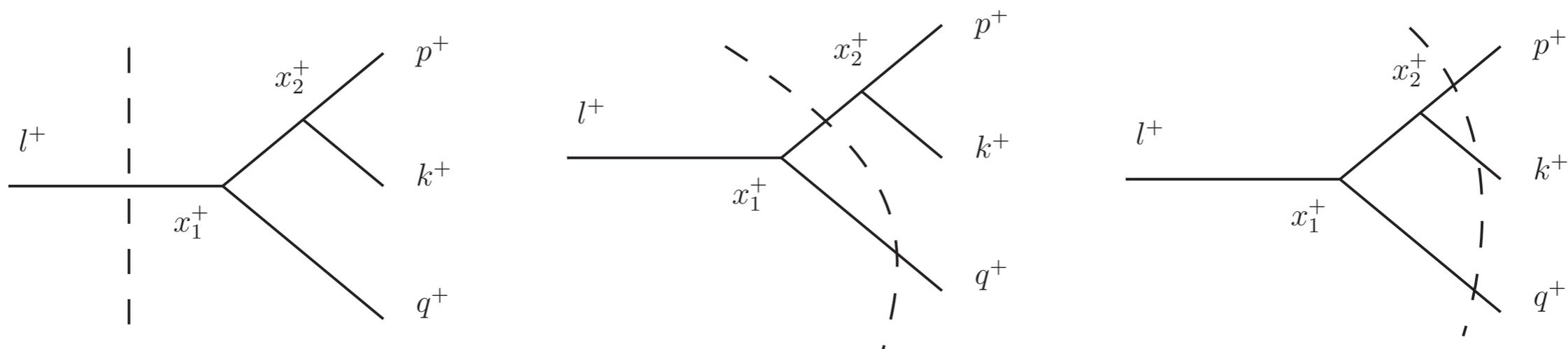
- for this topology, these are the only possible cuts

- NEXT: add special vertices



- recall: $\xrightarrow{p} \text{⊗} \xrightarrow{q} \sim \delta(p^+ - q^+)$ plus momentum flow not altered + placed at $z^+=0 \Rightarrow$ by default on the cut

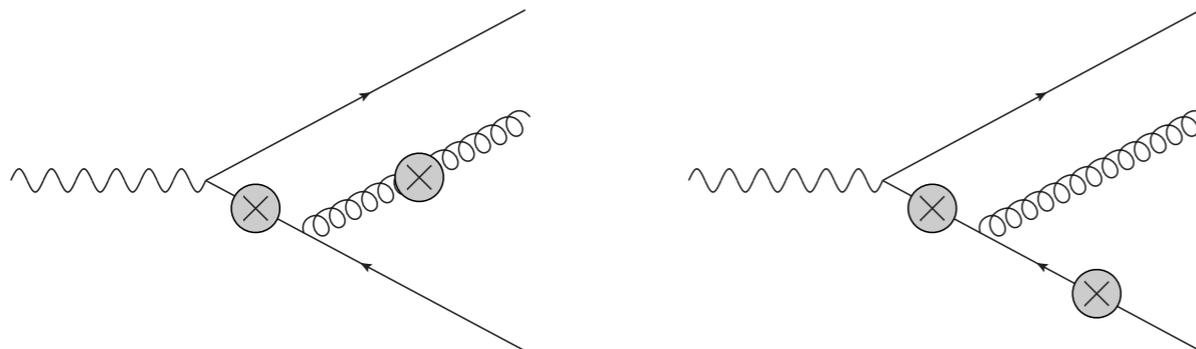
- go back to momentum space: special vertices still must be aligned along the cut



- at a cut: “propagator \otimes special vertex \otimes propagator” or “propagator” only; no special vertex anywhere else

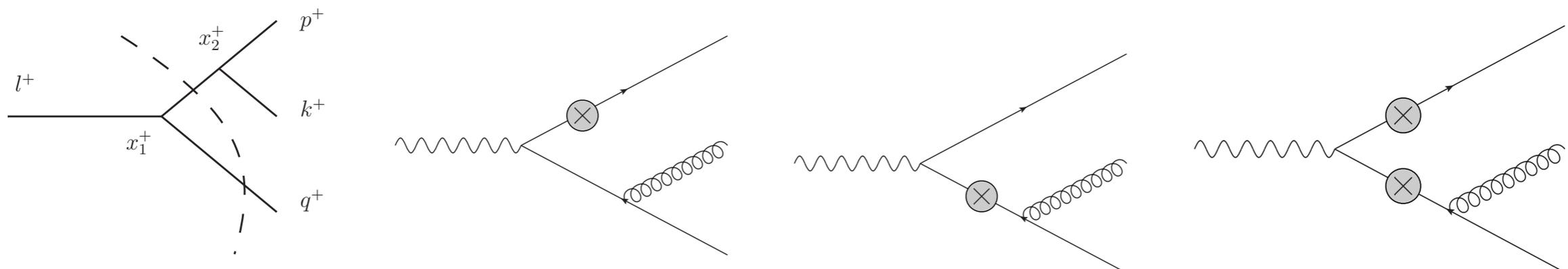
How does it help?

- evaluates 50% of possible momentum diagrams to zero



not possible for s-channel kinematics

- but each cut contains still several diagrams



Configuration space knows more ...

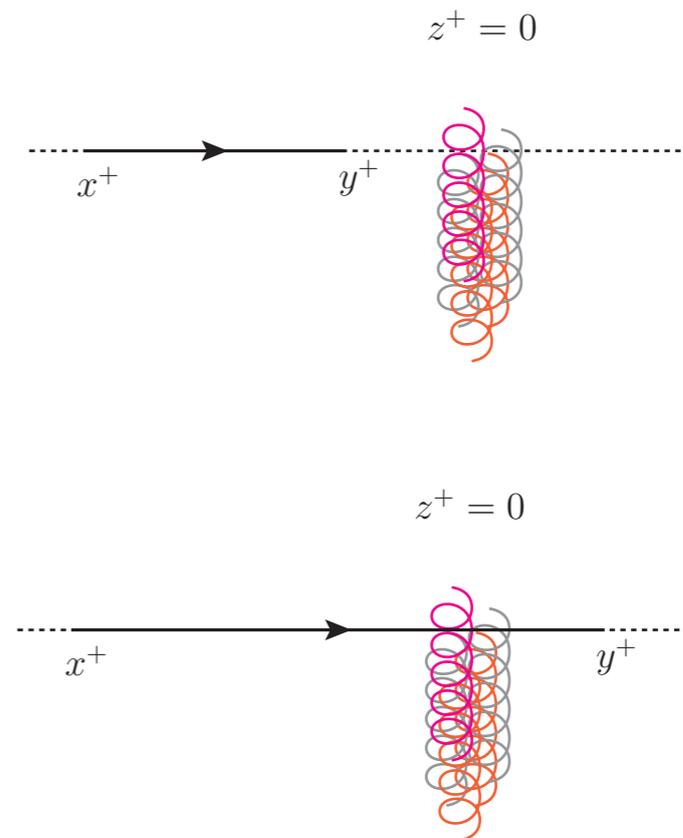
(partial) Fourier transform for complete propagator

$$\int \frac{dp^-}{2\pi} \int \frac{dq^-}{2\pi} e^{-ip^- x^+} e^{iq^- y^+} \left[S_{F,il}^{(0)}(p) (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(p - q) + S_{F,ij}^{(0)}(p) \cdot \tau_{F,jk}(p, q) \cdot S_{kl}^{(0)}(q) \right]$$

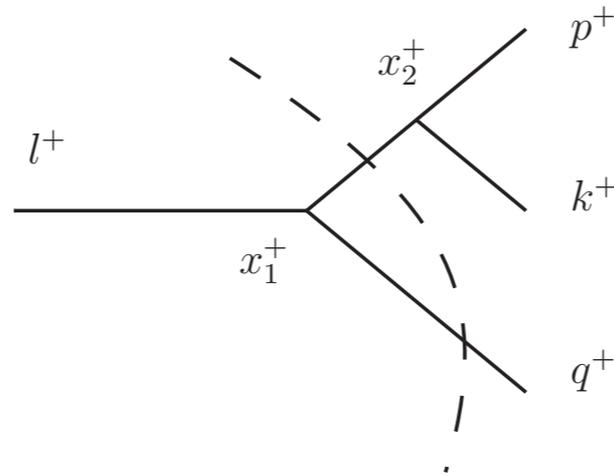
obtain free propagation for

- $x^+, y^+ < 0$ (“before interaction”)
- $x^+, y^+ > 0$ (“after interaction”)

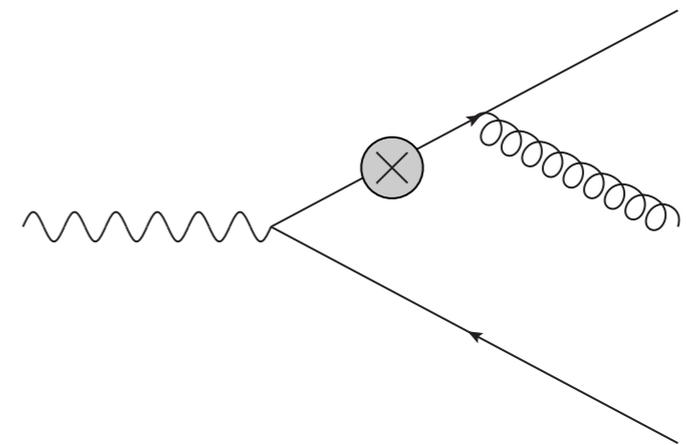
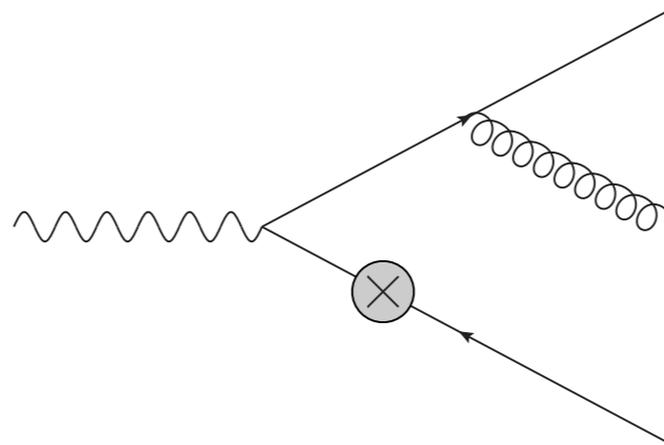
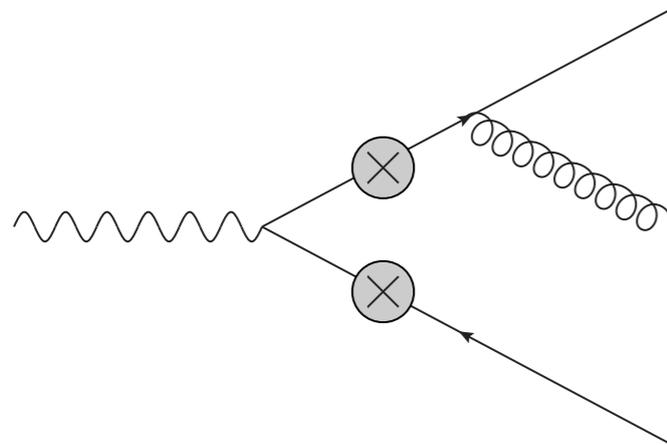
propagator proportional to
complete Wilson line V (fermion)
or U (gluon) if we cross
light-cone time $z^+ = 0$
→ must pass through the cuts



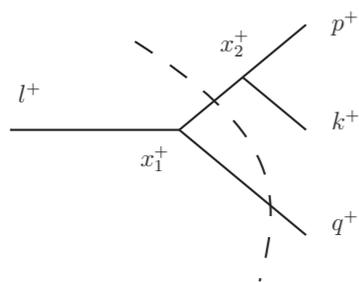
- for a single cut:



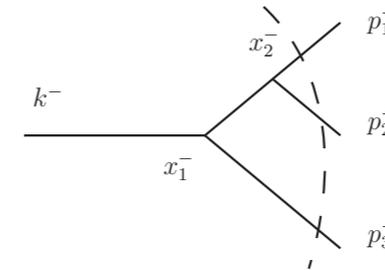
effectively adds up



- reality: more complicated due to mixing of different cuts



VS.



- crucial: positive plus momenta in all lines for tree diagrams
- allows to formulate a new set of effective "Feynman rules"