

# Opportunities with diffraction

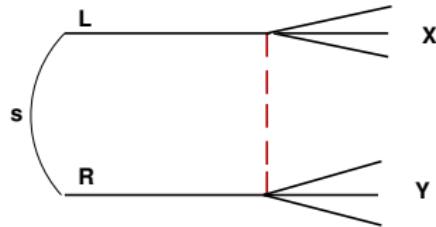
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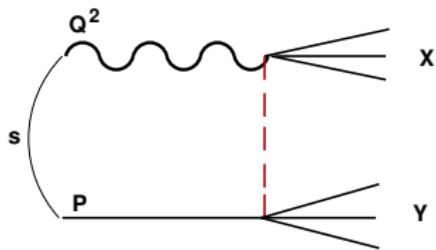
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- ▶ Diffraction and the pomeron
- ▶ Hera perspective
- ▶ Exclusive diffractive processes - from Hera to LHC
- ▶ Shock wave approach to diffraction

# Diffractive processes



- ▶  $s \gg |t|, m_X^2, m_Y^2$
- ▶ single diffraction SD
- ▶ double dissociation DD
- ▶ vacuum quantum number exchange



- ▶ DIS:  $s \gg Q^2, |t|, m_p^2$
- ▶ semihard process
- ▶  $\Lambda_{QCD} \ll Q^2 \ll s \Rightarrow x = \frac{Q^2}{s} \ll 1$
- ▶ perturbative QCD applicable

# Diffraction and pomeron

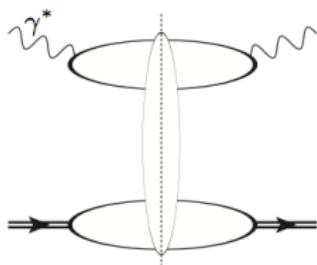
- ▶ Diffraction is about the structure of **pomeron** - vacuum quantum number exchange.
- ▶ Regge theory - **soft pomeron** trajectory with intercept above one

$$\alpha(t) = \alpha_{IP}(0) + \alpha'_{IP} \cdot t = 1.08 + (0.25 \text{ GeV}^{-2}) \cdot t$$

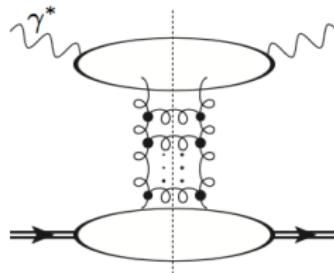
Gives asymptotic behaviour when  $s \rightarrow \infty$

$$A(s, t) \sim i\beta(t) s^{\alpha(t)} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sigma_{\text{tot}} \sim s^{\alpha_{IP}(0)-1}$$

- ▶ QCD - two gluon color singlet exchange, **BFKL pomeron** -  $\alpha_{IP}(0) = 1.3$

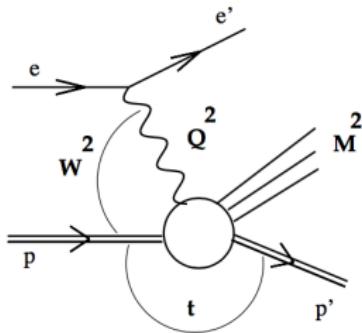


Regge theory



BFKL

- ▶ Large rapidity gaps in DIS



- ▶ pomeron momentum fraction

$$x_{IP} = \frac{Q^2 + M^2}{Q^2 + W^2} \ll 1$$

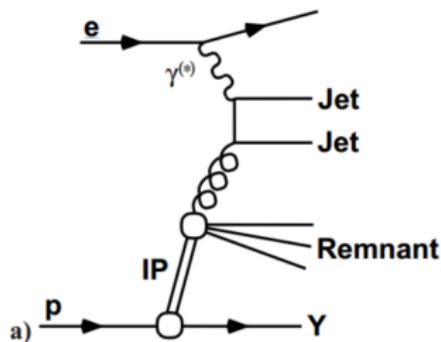
- ▶ Diffractive structure functions

$$F_{2,L}^D(x, Q^2; x_{IP}, t)$$

- ▶ More exclusive measurements, e.g. dijets, vector mesons, heavy quarks,  $\gamma$

# Soft pomeron exchange

- Collinear factorization approach



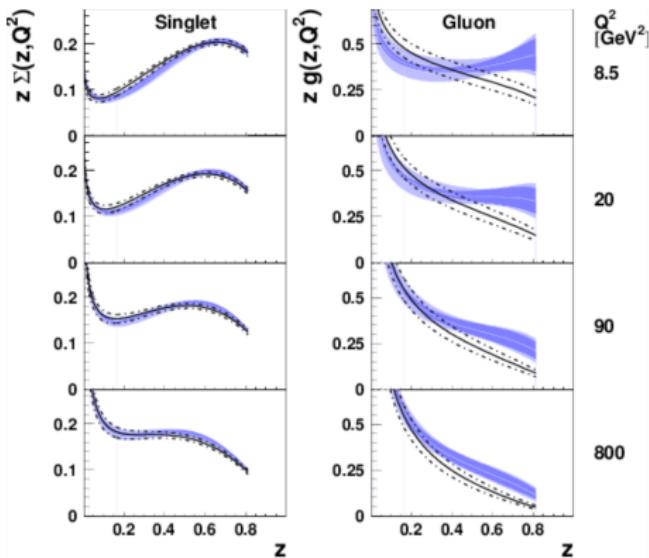
- Soft pomeron with **partonic structure** - Ingelman-Schlein model ('80)

$$F_2^D = f_{IP}(x_{IP}, t) \sum_q \beta \left\{ q_{IP}(\beta, Q^2) + \bar{q}_{IP}(\beta, Q^2) \right\}$$

- $\beta = x/x_{IP}$  is a pomeron momentum fraction carried by a parton.
- Pomeron flux  $f_{IP} \sim x_{IP}^{1-2\alpha_{IP}(t)}$  and pomeron PDFs  $\{q_{IP}, \bar{q}_{IP}, g\}$

# Pomeron PDFs

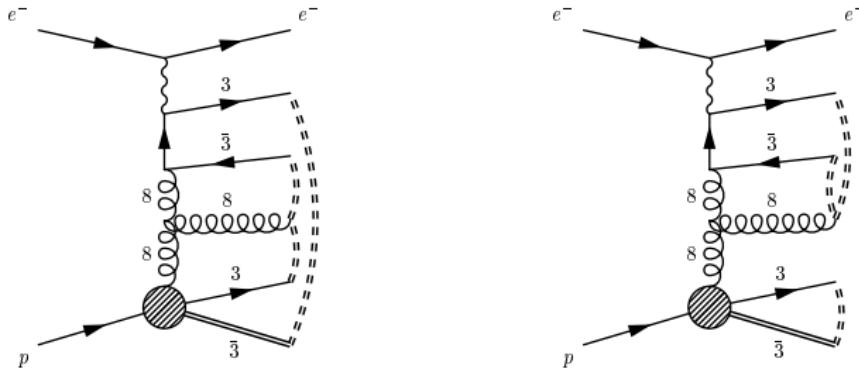
- ▶ Pomeron PDFs evolved with DGLAP equations fitted to diffractive data.



- ▶ Pomeron is gluon dominated (in comparison to normal PDFs).

# Soft color interaction (SCI) model

- ▶ Soft gluon exchanges neutralize color but do not change momenta.  
(A. Edin, G. Ingelman, J. Rathsman, Phys.Lett. B366 (1996) 371)



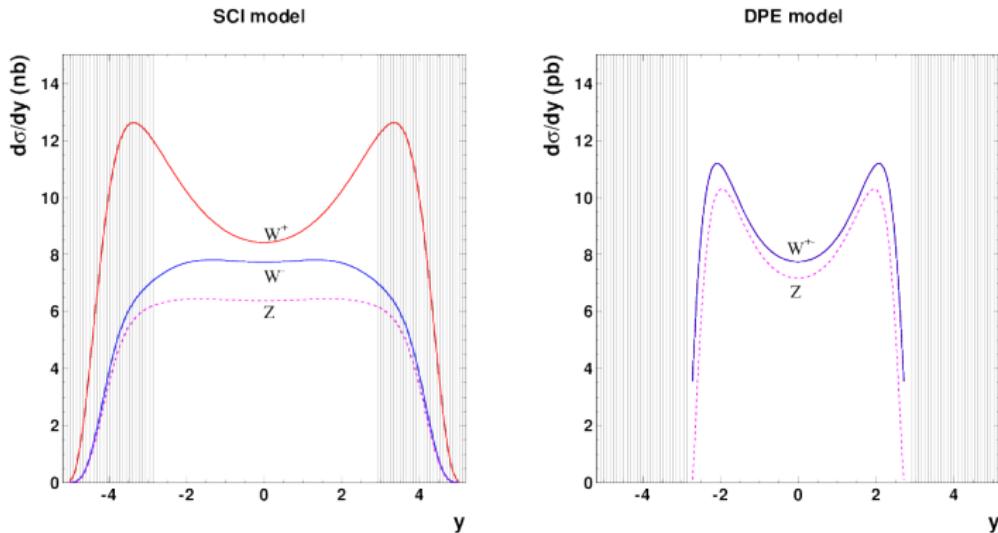
- ▶ To check this mechanism studying  $W^\pm$  production asymmetry in rapidity

$$A(y) = \frac{d\sigma_{W^+} - d\sigma_{W^-}}{d\sigma_{W^+} + d\sigma_{W^-}}$$

(KGB, C. Royon, L. Schoeffel, R. Staszewski, Phys.Rev. D84 (2011) 114006 )

# Diffractive $W^\pm$ production asymmetry

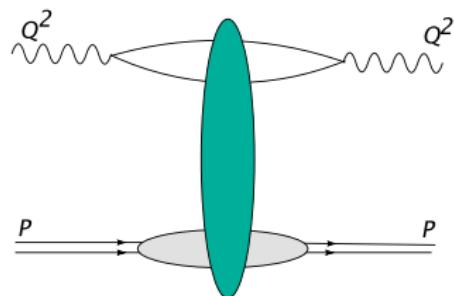
- ▶ In LO  $W^\pm$  from fusion of two quarks ( $u\bar{d}$  or  $d\bar{u}$ )
- ▶ In SCI model quarks from the proton - asymmetry  $A(y) \neq 0$
- ▶ Quark distributions in the pomeron are **flavour blind** -  $A(y) = 0$



- ▶ Study also the ratio  $R = \sigma_{W^\pm}/\sigma_Z$ .

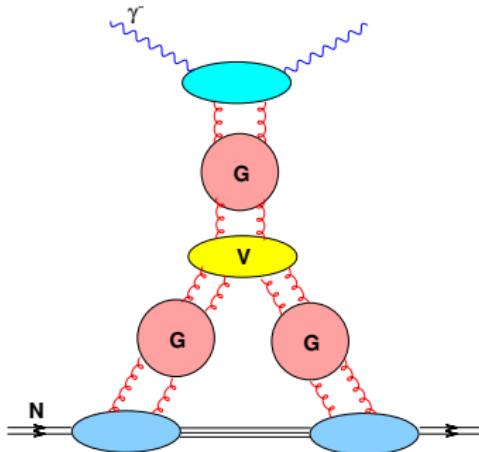
# BFKL pomeron and its unitarization

- DIS at small  $x$  (high energy) can be viewed as a quark dipole interaction.



- Two gluons –  $\sigma_{\gamma^* p} \sim \text{const}$
- BFKL pomeron –  $\sigma_{\gamma^* p} \sim x^{-0.3}$
- Unitarized pomeron –  $\sigma_{\gamma^* p} \sim \ln(1/x)$

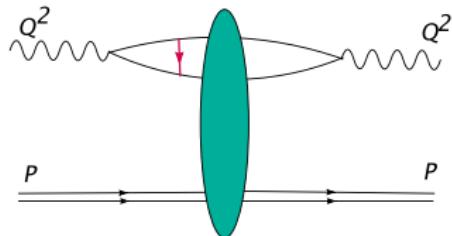
# Approaches to unitarization



- ▶ Color dipoles of Mueller and Kovchegov
- ▶ Shock wave approach of Balitsky
- ▶ Color Glass Condensate and McLerran and Venugopalan
- ▶ QCD reggeon field theory of Bartels and Lipatov

## Saturation model

- ▶ A quark dipole of transverse size  $r$  interacting with the proton



- ▶ Dipole cross section with saturation scale  $Q_s \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$  in perturb. domain

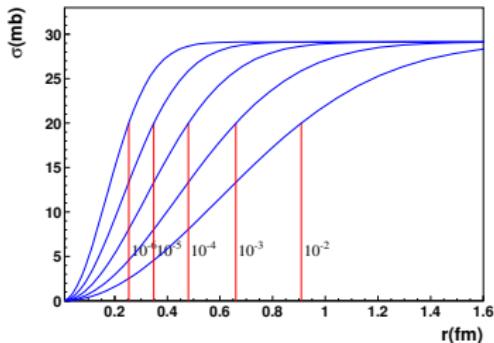
$$\hat{\sigma}_{dip}(r, x) = \sigma_0 \left\{ 1 - \exp(-r^2 Q_s^2(x)) \right\} \quad Q_s(x) = Q_0 x^{-\lambda}$$

- ▶ Red parameters fitted DIS data on  $F_2$  for  $x \leq 10^{-2}$

$$F_2(x, Q^2) \sim \int d^2 r |\Psi_{\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(r, Q^2)|^2 \hat{\sigma}_{dip}(r, x)$$

(KGB, M. Wüsthoff, PRD 59 (1998) 014023)

## Physical interpretation

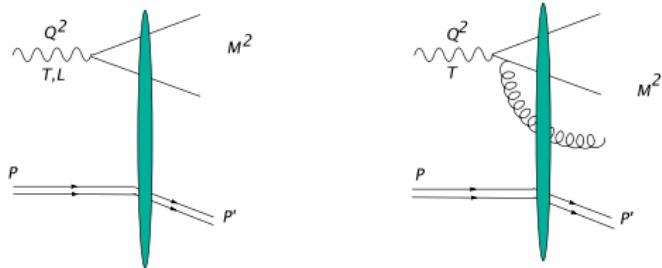


- ▶ For a given dipole size cross section saturates when  $x \rightarrow 0$



- ▶ Parton saturation confirmed by the Balitsky-Kovchegov equation.  
(I. Balitsky, Nucl.Phys. B463 (1996) 99; Y. Kovchegov, PRD 60 (1999) 034008)

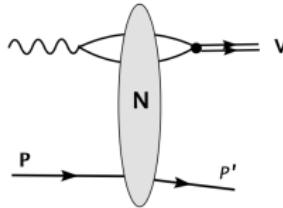
# Saturation in diffraction



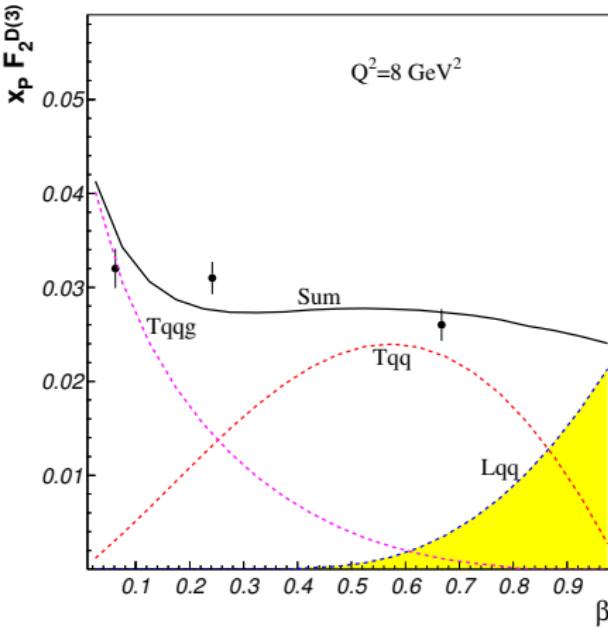
- ▶ Two diffractive states:  $q\bar{q}$  and  $q\bar{q}g$  interacting with  $\hat{\sigma}_{dip} = \int d^2 b N(b)$

$$F_2^D = F_T^{q\bar{q}} + F_L^{q\bar{q}} + F_T^{q\bar{q}g}$$

- ▶ Can also be applied to diffractive vector meson production

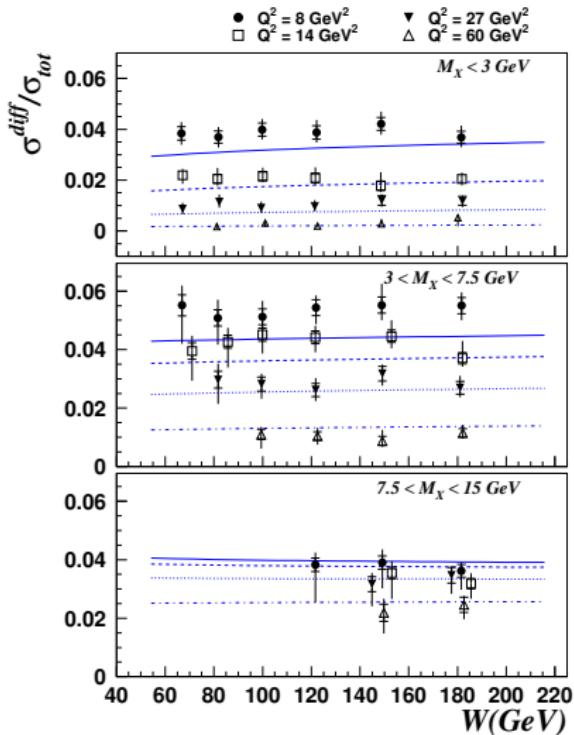


# Comparison with HERA diffractive data



- ▶ The three contributions to diffractive structure function.
- ▶  $F_L^{q\bar{q}}$  is higher twist which dominates for  $\beta = \frac{Q^2}{Q^2 + M^2} \rightarrow 1$ .

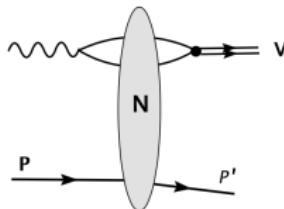
# Constant ratio $\sigma_{diff}/\sigma_{\gamma^* p}$



- ▶ Explained by the saturation model (KGB, M. Wüsthoff, PRD 60 (1999) 114023)

# Vector meson production

(H. Kowalski, L. Motyka, G. Watt, PRD 74 (2006) 074016)



- ▶ Scattering amplitude

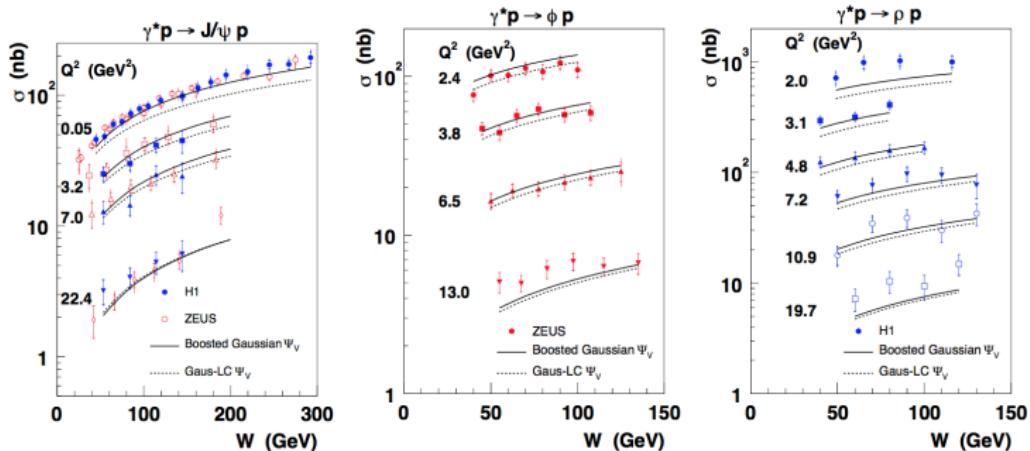
$$A(\gamma + p \rightarrow V + p) = (\Psi_V)^* \otimes N_{dip}(x, r, b) \otimes \Psi_\gamma$$

- ▶ New element - impact parameter  $b$  (or  $t$ ) dependence
- ▶ Improved dipole scattering amplitude

$$N(x, r, b) = 1 - \exp\{-r^2 Q_s(x, b)\}$$

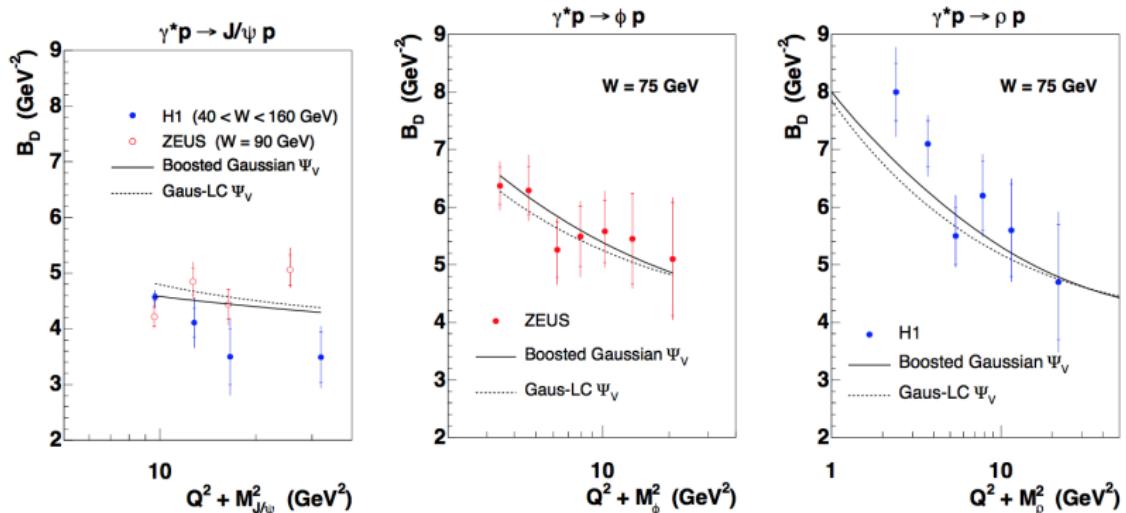
- ▶  $b$ -dependent saturation scale  $Q_s$  ( $b$ -CGC model)

# VM production - energy dependence



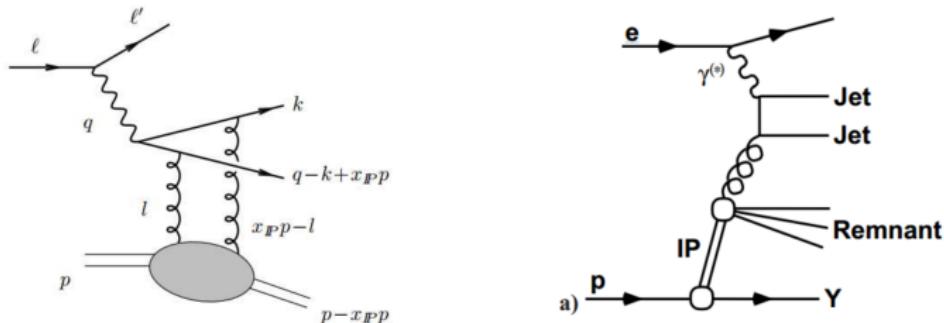
- ▶ Change of energy dependence with VM and  $Q^2$  and a slight dependence on the choice of the VM wave function.

# VM production - $t$ dependence



- Eikonal form of dipole scattering amplitude with saturation scale  $Q_S(x, b)$  crucial for these results.

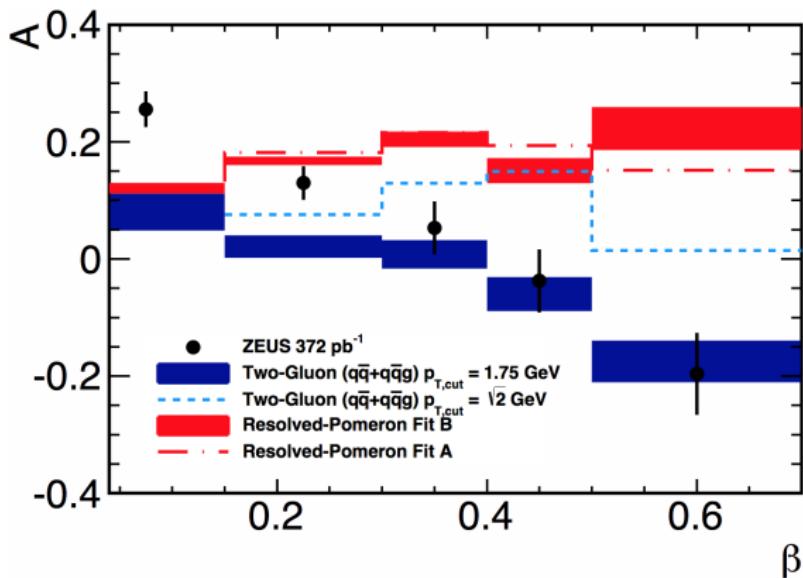
# Exclusive diffractive dijet production



- ▶ Two gluon exchange in  $k_T$ -factorization versus collinear approach  
(Bartels, Ewartz, Lotter, Wüsthoff, Jung,...)
- ▶ Look at azimuthal dependence:

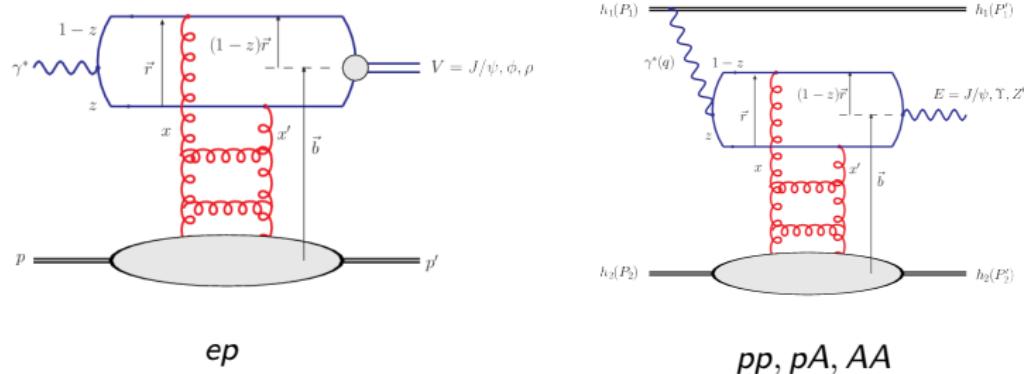
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\phi} \sim (1 + A \cos \phi)$$

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- ▶ Two gluon exchange model works better then resolved pomeron model.

- ▶ Such processes can also be measured at the LHC in  $pp$ ,  $pA$  or ultraperipheral  $AA$  collisions.

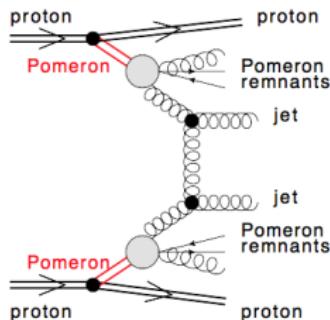


- ▶ Details of the description in  $ep$  collisions transferred to hadronic collisions.

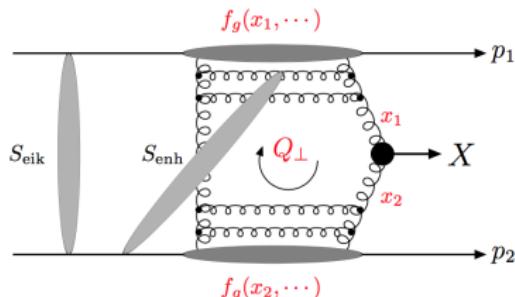
# Central diffractive production production at the LHC

(LHC forward physics, J.Phys. G43 (2016) 110201, arXiv:1611.05079 [hep-ph])

- ▶ Program to build very forward detectors to tag protons at small angles



Double pomeron exchange

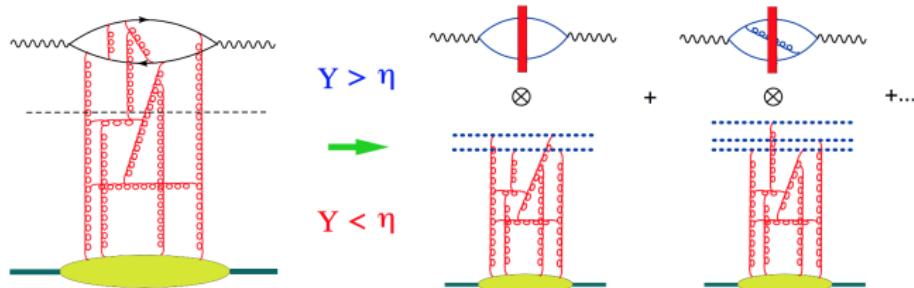


Central exclusive production

- ▶ Absorptive factors which reduce cross sections are important - **gap survival factors**.

# Systematic studies within shock wave approach

(I. Balitsky, Nucl.Phys. B463 (1996) 99)



- ▶ At high energy particles move along straight lines - Wilson lines

$$\hat{U}(x_\perp) = \exp \left\{ ig \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx^+ \hat{A}^-(x^+, x_\perp) \right\}$$

- ▶ High energy scattering amplitude with factorization parameter  $\eta$

$$\mathcal{A}(s) = \int d^2 x_\perp d^2 y_\perp \underbrace{I_A(x_\perp, y_\perp; \eta)}_{\text{Impact factor}} \langle B | \underbrace{\text{Tr}[\hat{U}_\eta(x_\perp) \hat{U}_\eta^\dagger(y_\perp)]}_{\text{dipole operator}} - N_c | B \rangle$$

# Balitsky-Kovchegov equation

- ▶ Balitsky-JIMWLK equations evolve dipole operators into multidipoles

$$\frac{\partial \hat{U}_{12}^\eta}{\partial \eta} = \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi^2} \int d^2 \vec{z}_3 \frac{\vec{z}_{12}^2}{\vec{z}_{13}^2 \vec{z}_{32}^2} \left\{ \hat{U}_{13}^\eta + \hat{U}_{32}^\eta - \hat{U}_{12}^\eta - \hat{U}_{13}^\eta \hat{U}_{32}^\eta \right\}$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{U}_{13}^\eta \hat{U}_{32}^\eta}{\partial \eta} = \dots$$

- ▶ Kovchegov equation for dipole operator only in large  $N_c$  limit

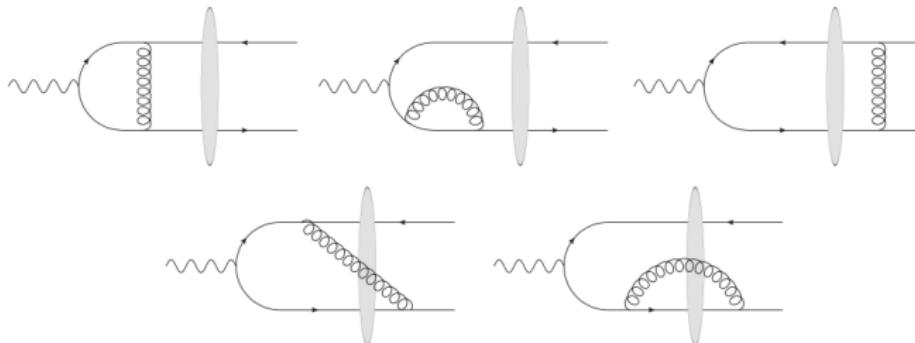
$$\frac{\partial \langle \hat{U}_{12}^\eta \rangle}{\partial \eta} = \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{2\pi^2} \int d^2 \vec{z}_3 \frac{\vec{z}_{12}^2}{\vec{z}_{13}^2 \vec{z}_{32}^2} \left\{ \langle \hat{U}_{13}^\eta \rangle + \langle \hat{U}_{32}^\eta \rangle - \langle \hat{U}_{12}^\eta \rangle - \langle \hat{U}_{13}^\eta \rangle \langle \hat{U}_{32}^\eta \rangle \right\}$$

BFKL/BKP eq.      saturation

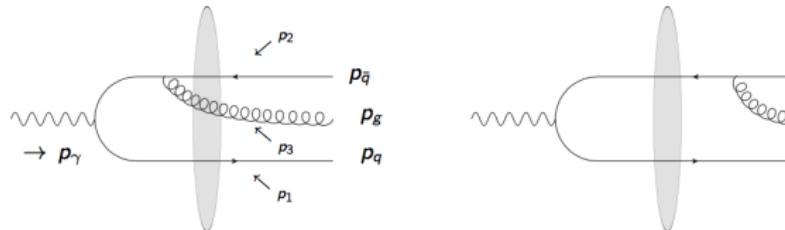
# $q\bar{q}g$ impact factors in NLO approximation

(R. Boussarie, A. V. Grabovsky, S. Wallon, L. Szymanowski, D. Yu. Ivanov,  
JHEP 409 (2014) 026, JHEP 1611 (2016) 149, arXiv:1612.08026 [hep-ph])

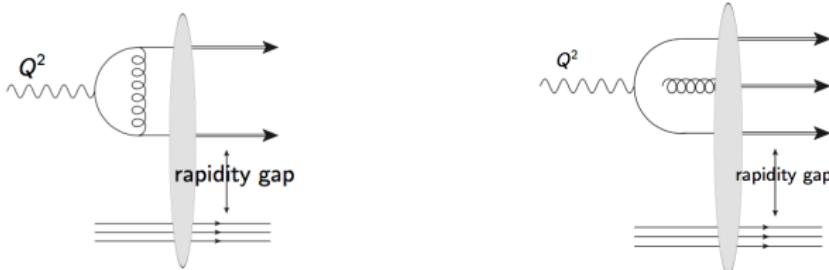
## ► NLO $q\bar{q}$ production graphs



## ► plus LO real gluon emission

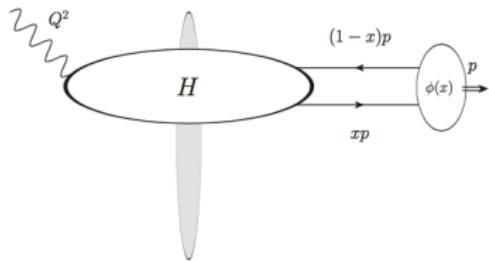


## Application to diffractive production



- ▶ exclusive diffractive dijet electroproduction with merged gluon using jet cone algorithm
- ▶ exclusive diffractive dijet photoproduction ( $Q^2 = 0$ ) with jet  $k_\perp$  or  $M_J$  as hard scale
- ▶ non-exclusive diffractive dijet production - trijet production
- ▶ photoproduction of open charm or charmonium production

- ▶ Exclusive diffractive production of light vector mesons:  $\gamma^* p \rightarrow \rho p$



- ▶ Additional collinear factorization with distribution amplitude  $\phi_{||}(x)$

$$\mathcal{A} = \int_0^1 dx H(x, \dots) \times \phi_{||}(x, \mu), \quad \mu = Q^2, |t|$$

- ▶ Amplitude infrared finite for both longitudinal and transverse photons, and also in photoproduction limit (no end point singularity).

- ▶ Diffractive processes with a hard scale probe the QCD nature of the pomeron:
  - ▶ resolved pomeron
  - ▶ BFKL pomeron
  - ▶ parton saturation as unitarization mechanism.
- ▶ VM production supports saturation mechanism.
- ▶ Natural applications to  $pp$ ,  $pA$  and ultraperipheral  $AA$  collisions
- ▶ Shock wave approximation program is theoretically sound and promising.