

Overview on gluon TMDs

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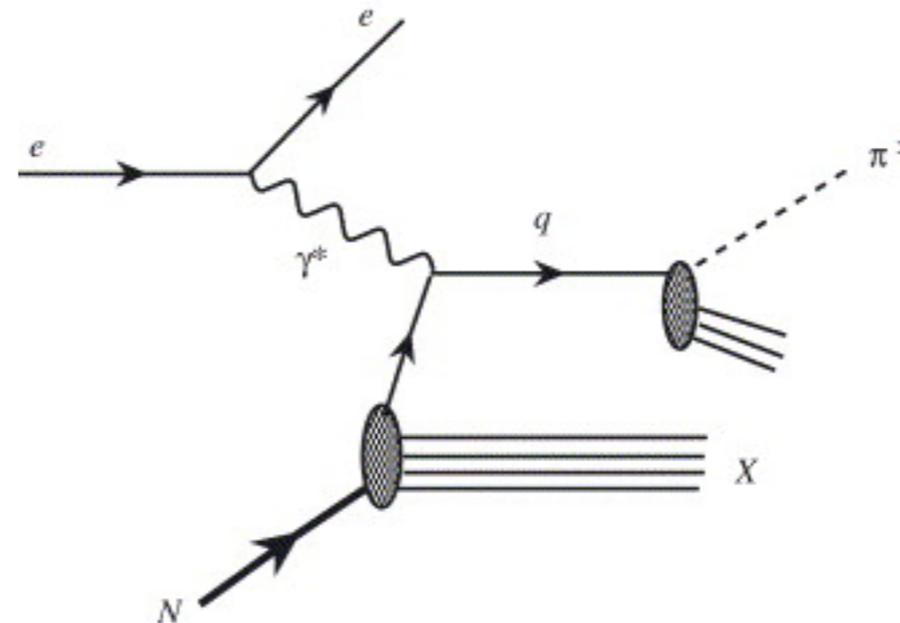
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Gluon TMDs & the
parallels with quark TMDs

Typical TMD processes

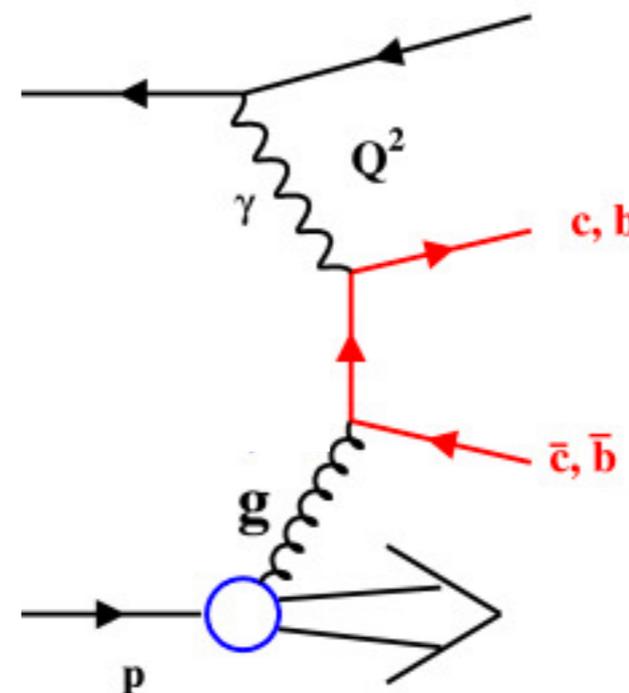
Semi-inclusive DIS is a process sensitive to the transverse momentum of quarks

$$ep \rightarrow e' h X$$



D-meson pair production is sensitive to transverse momentum of gluons

$$ep \rightarrow e' D \bar{D} X$$



Gluons TMDs

The transverse momentum dependent gluon correlator:

$$\Gamma_g^{\mu\nu}(x, p_T) \propto \langle P | F^{+\nu}(0) \mathcal{U} F^{+\mu}(\xi^-, \xi_T) \mathcal{U}' | P \rangle$$

For unpolarized protons:

$$\Gamma_U^{\mu\nu}(x, \mathbf{p}_T) = \frac{x}{2} \left\{ -g_T^{\mu\nu} f_1^g(x, \mathbf{p}_T^2) + \left(\frac{p_T^\mu p_T^\nu}{M_p^2} + g_T^{\mu\nu} \frac{\mathbf{p}_T^2}{2M_p^2} \right) h_1^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{p}_T^2) \right\}$$

unpolarized gluon TMD

linearly polarized
gluon TMD

Gluons inside *unpolarized* protons can be polarized!

[Mulders, Rodrigues, 2001]

For transversely polarized protons:

gluon Sivers TMD

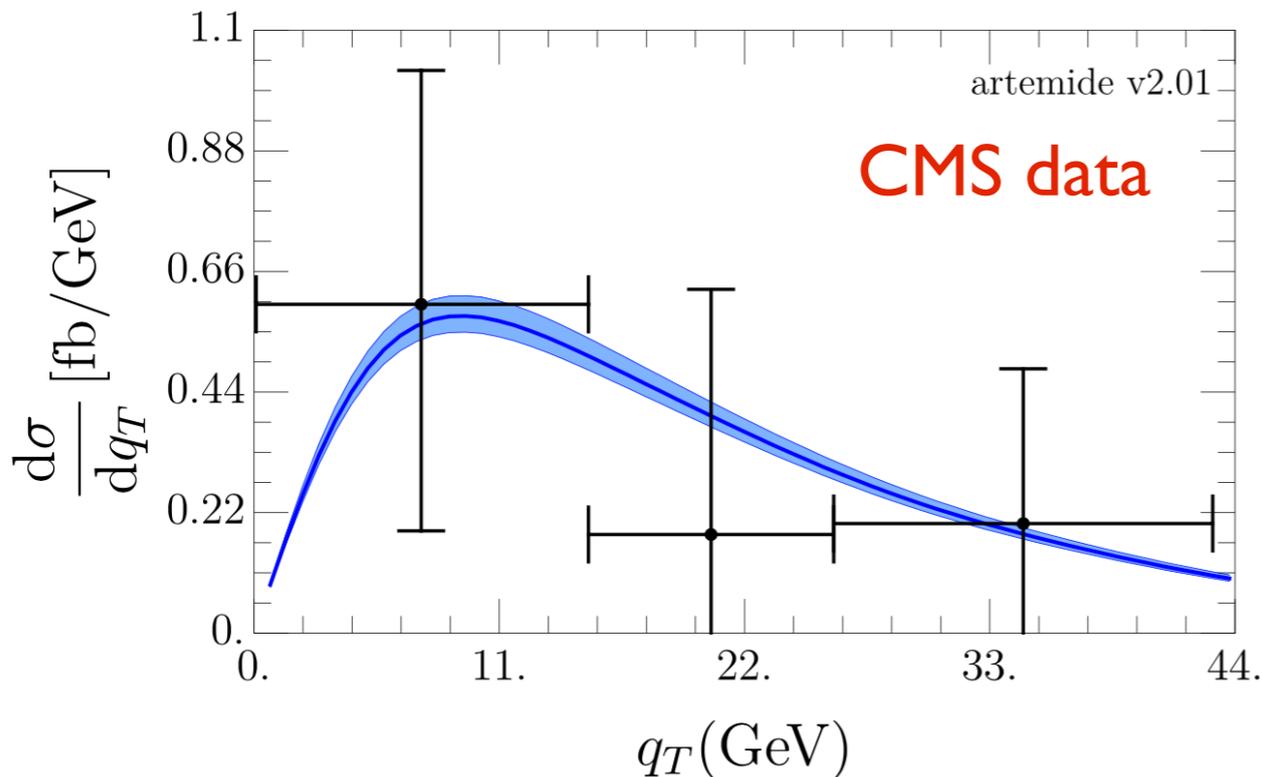
$$\Gamma_T^{\mu\nu}(x, \mathbf{p}_T) = \frac{x}{2} \left\{ g_T^{\mu\nu} \frac{\epsilon_T^{\rho\sigma} p_{T\rho} S_{T\sigma}}{M_p} f_{1T}^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{p}_T^2) + \dots \right\}$$

Perhaps surprisingly, these TMDs have not been extracted from experiments yet

Entering the gluon TMD era

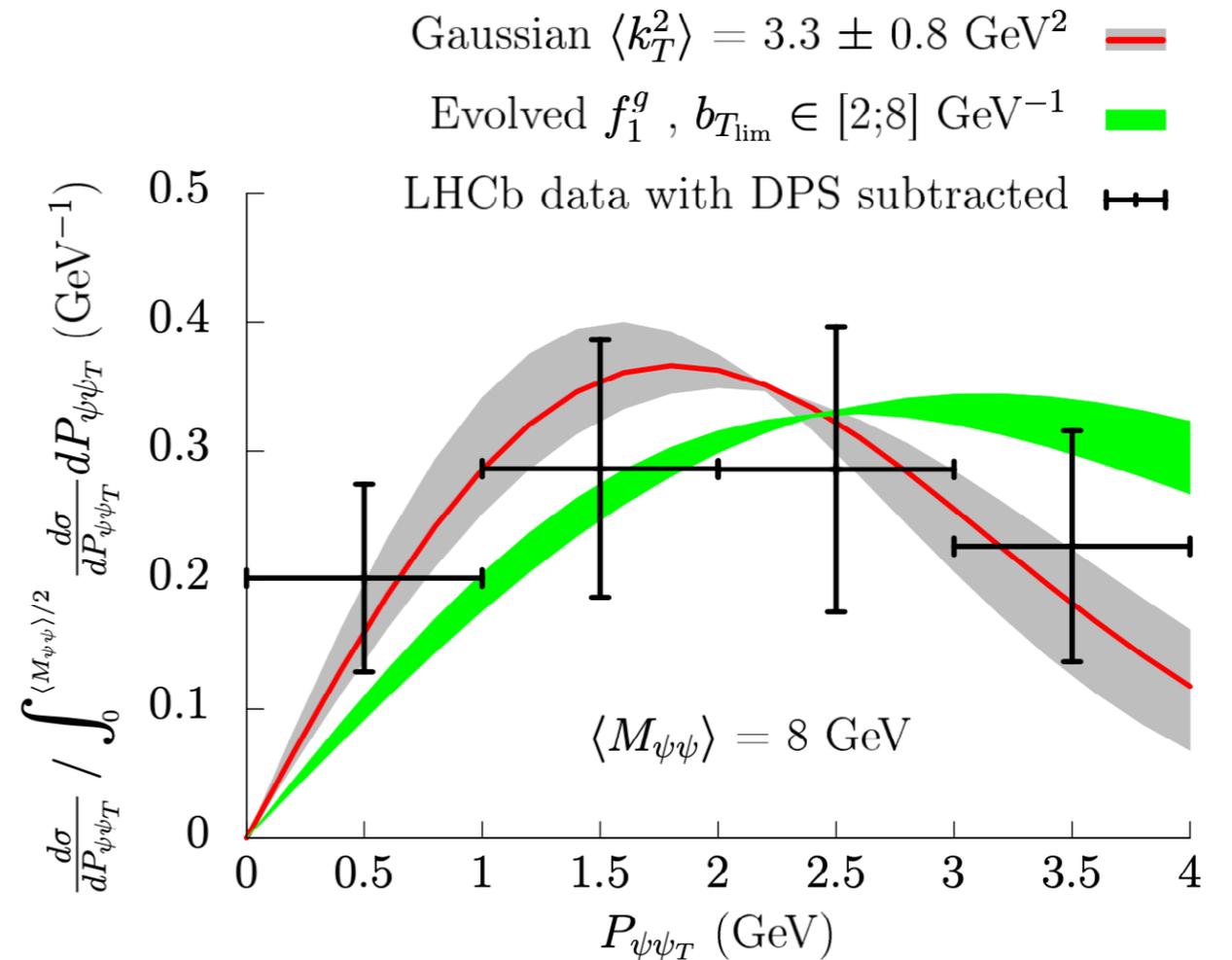
Higgs p_T distribution

$$pp \rightarrow H(\rightarrow \gamma\gamma) + X$$



[Gutierrez-Reyes, Leal-Gomez, Scimemi, Vladimirov, 2019]

J/ψ pair production



[Scarpa et al., 2020]

Sivers asymmetry in high- p_T hadron pair production

$$A^{\text{Siv}} = -0.23 \pm 0.08 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.05 \text{ (syst)} \text{ at } \langle x_g \rangle = 0.15$$

[COMPASS Collab., 2017]

GPM studies of $A_N^{\pi,D}$

[D'Alesio, Murgia, Pisano, 2015; & Tael, 2017]

Parallels between quarks and gluons

$$\Phi_U(x, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\not{n} f_1(x, \mathbf{k}^2) + \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu} k_T^\mu \bar{n}^\nu}{M} h_1^\perp(x, \mathbf{k}^2) \right],$$

$$\Phi_L(x, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\gamma^5 \not{n} S_L g_1(x, \mathbf{k}^2) + \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu} \gamma^5 \bar{n}^\mu k_T^\nu S_L}{M} h_{1L}^\perp(x, \mathbf{k}^2) \right],$$

$$\Phi_T(x, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\not{n} \epsilon_T^{S_T k_T}}{M} f_{1T}^\perp(x, \mathbf{k}^2) + \frac{\gamma^5 \not{n} \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{S}_T}{M} g_{1T}(x, \mathbf{k}^2) \right. \\ \left. + i\sigma_{\mu\nu} \gamma^5 \bar{n}^\mu S_T^\nu h_1(x, \mathbf{k}^2) - \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu} \gamma^5 \bar{n}^\mu k_T^{\nu\rho} S_{T\rho}}{M^2} h_{1T}^\perp(x, \mathbf{k}^2) \right]$$

$$\Gamma_U^{ij}(x, \mathbf{k}) = x \left[\delta_T^{ij} f_1(x, \mathbf{k}^2) + \frac{k_T^{ij}}{M^2} h_1^\perp(x, \mathbf{k}^2) \right],$$

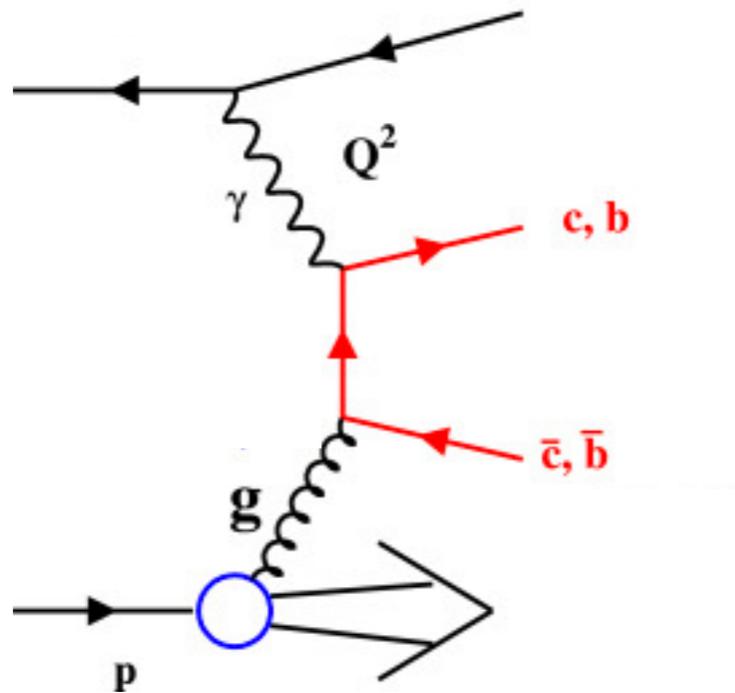
$$\Gamma_L^{ij}(x, \mathbf{k}) = x \left[i\epsilon_T^{ij} S_L g_1(x, \mathbf{k}^2) + \frac{\epsilon_T^{\{i} k_T^{j\}\alpha} S_L}{2M^2} h_{1L}^\perp(x, \mathbf{k}^2) \right],$$

$$\Gamma_T^{ij}(x, \mathbf{k}) = x \left[\frac{\delta_T^{ij} \epsilon_T^{S_T k_T}}{M} f_{1T}^\perp(x, \mathbf{k}^2) + \frac{i\epsilon_T^{ij} \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{S}_T}{M} g_{1T}(x, \mathbf{k}^2) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{\epsilon_T^{k_T \{i} S_T^{j\}} + \epsilon_T^{S_T \{i} k_T^{j\}}}{4M} h_1(x, \mathbf{k}^2) - \frac{\epsilon_T^{\{i} k_T^{j\}\alpha} S_T}{2M^3} h_{1T}^\perp(x, \mathbf{k}^2) \right]$$

For quarks the BM & Sivers TMDs are T-odd and the h-type functions are chiral-odd

For gluons h_1^\perp is T-even and h_1 is k_T -odd, T-odd and unrelated to transversity

Parallels between SIDIS and HQ pair production



The heavy quarks will not be exactly back-to-back in the transverse plane:

$$K_{\perp} = (K_{Q\perp} - K_{\bar{Q}\perp})/2$$

$$q_T = K_{Q\perp} + K_{\bar{Q}\perp}$$

$$|q_T| \ll |K_{\perp}|$$

ϕ_T, ϕ_{\perp} are the angles of q_T, K_{\perp}

Linear gluon polarization shows up as a $\cos 2\phi_T$ or $\cos 2(\phi_T - \phi_{\perp})$ distribution

Despite the differences in properties of some of the quark and gluon TMDs, the asymmetries they lead to are analogous for SIDIS and HQ pair production

There is a “Collins” asymmetry without a Collins function, but it does probe $h_{1\perp}^g$ which is not transversity however

Parallels between SIDIS and HQ pair production

LO asymmetries in HQ pair production:

[Boer, Pisano, Mulders, Zhou, 2016]

$$|\langle \cos 2\phi_T \rangle| = \left| \frac{\int d\phi_\perp d\phi_T \cos 2\phi_T d\sigma}{\int d\phi_\perp d\phi_T d\sigma} \right| = \frac{\mathbf{q}_T^2 |B_0^U|}{2A_0^U} = \frac{\mathbf{q}_T^2}{2M^2} \frac{|h_1^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{p}_T^2)|}{f_1^g(x, \mathbf{p}_T^2)} \frac{|\mathcal{B}_0^{eg \rightarrow eQ\bar{Q}}|}{\mathcal{A}_0^{eg \rightarrow eQ\bar{Q}}}$$

$$A_N^{\sin(\phi_S - \phi_T)} = \frac{|\mathbf{q}_T|}{M_p} \frac{A_0^T}{A_0^U} = \frac{|\mathbf{q}_T|}{M_p} \frac{f_{1T}^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}{f_1^g(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}$$

$$A_N^{\sin(\phi_S + \phi_T)} = \frac{|\mathbf{q}_T|}{M_p} \frac{B_0'^T}{A_0^U} = \frac{2(1-y) \mathcal{B}_{0T}^{\gamma^* g \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}}}{[1 + (1-y)^2] \mathcal{A}_{U+L}^{\gamma^* g \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}} - y^2 \mathcal{A}_L^{\gamma^* g \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}}} \frac{|\mathbf{q}_T|}{M_p} \frac{h_1^g(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}{f_1^g(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}$$

$$A_N^{\sin(\phi_S - 3\phi_T)} = -\frac{|\mathbf{q}_T|^3}{M_p^3} \frac{B_0^T}{2A_0^U} = -\frac{2(1-y) \mathcal{B}_{0T}^{\gamma^* g \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}}}{[1 + (1-y)^2] \mathcal{A}_{U+L}^{\gamma^* g \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}} - y^2 \mathcal{A}_L^{\gamma^* g \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}}} \frac{|\mathbf{q}_T|^3}{2M_p^3} \frac{h_{1T}^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}{f_1^g(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}$$

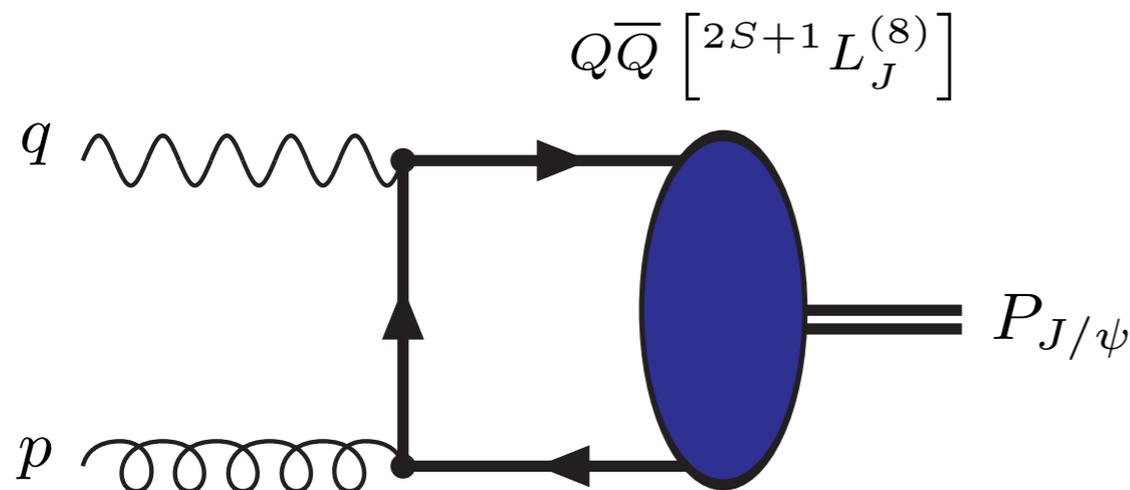
SIDIS - Fragmentation functions

HQ pairs - calculable amplitudes

Quarkonium production

$e p \rightarrow e' Q X$ with Q either a J/ψ or a Υ meson

[Godbole, Misra, Mukherjee, Rawoot, 2012/3; Godbole, Kaushik, Misra, Rawoot, 2015; Mukherjee, Rajesh, 2017; Rajesh, Kishore, Mukherjee, 2018]



A $\cos(2\phi_T)$ asymmetry probes $h_1^\perp g$

$$\langle \cos 2\phi_T \rangle = \frac{(1-y) \mathcal{B}_T^{\gamma^* g \rightarrow Q}}{[1 + (1-y)^2] \mathcal{A}_{U+L}^{\gamma^* g \rightarrow Q} - y^2 \mathcal{A}_L^{\gamma^* g \rightarrow Q}} \times \frac{\mathbf{q}_T^2}{2M_p^2} \frac{h_1^\perp g(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}{f_1^g(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}$$

In LO NRQCD the prefactor of the asymmetry depends on y , Q , M_Q and on two quite uncertain Color Octet (CO) Long Distance Matrix Elements (LDMEs)

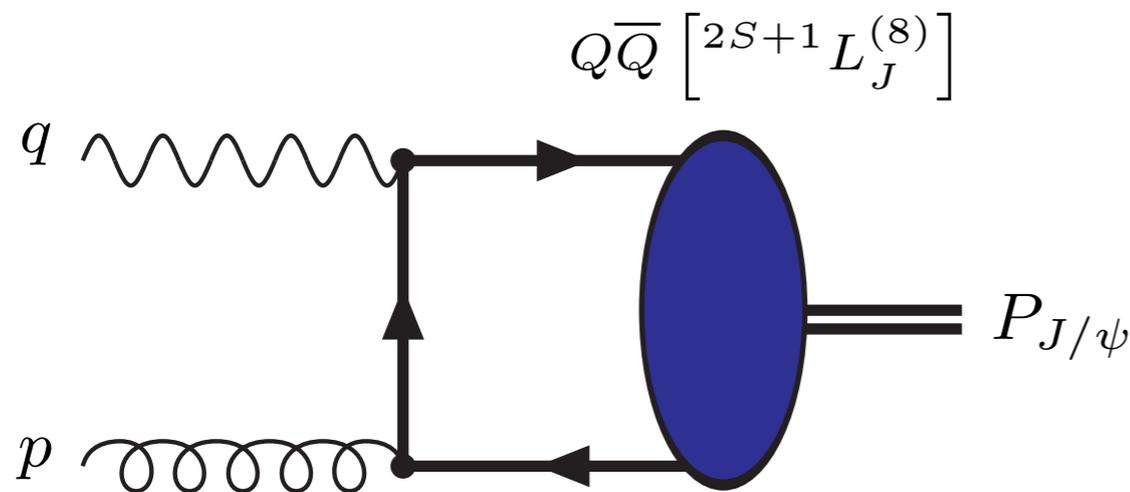
One can cancel out the CO LDMEs by considering ratios with spin asymmetries

[Bacchetta, Boer, Pisano, Taelis, 2018]

Quarkonium production in ep

$ep^\uparrow \rightarrow e' QX$ with Q either a J/ψ or a Υ meson

[Godbole, Misra, Mukherjee, Rawoot, 2012/3; Godbole, Kaushik, Misra, Rawoot, 2015; Mukherjee, Rajesh, 2017; Rajesh, Kishore, Mukherjee, 2018]



Other asymmetries depend on the quite uncertain CO NRQCD LDMEs, but one can consider ratios of asymmetries to cancel them out

[Bacchetta, Boer, Pisano, Taelis, 2018]

Using LO NRQCD the Sivers asymmetry is:

$$A^{\sin(\phi_S - \phi_T)} = \frac{|\mathbf{q}_T|}{M_p} \frac{f_{1T}^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}{f_1^g(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}$$

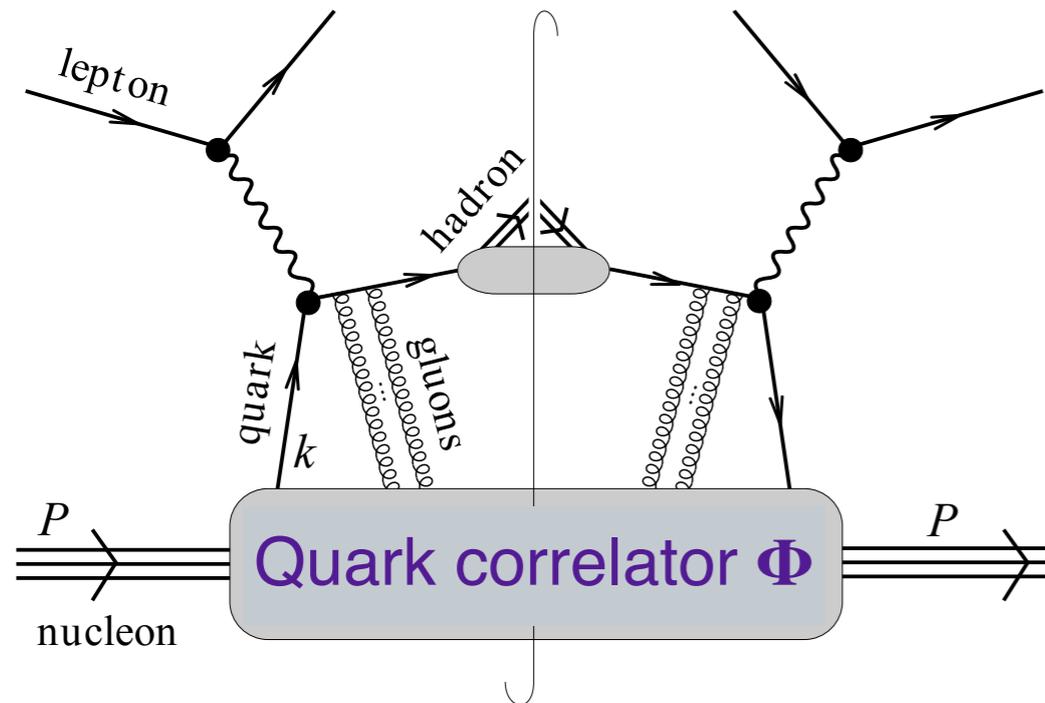
$$\frac{A^{\cos 2\phi_T}}{A^{\sin(\phi_S + \phi_T)}} = \frac{\mathbf{q}_T^2}{M_p^2} \frac{h_1^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}{h_1^g(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}$$

$$\frac{A^{\cos 2\phi_T}}{A^{\sin(\phi_S - 3\phi_T)}} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{h_1^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}{h_{1T}^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}$$

$$\frac{A^{\sin(\phi_S - 3\phi_T)}}{A^{\sin(\phi_S + \phi_T)}} = -\frac{\mathbf{q}_T^2}{2M_p^2} \frac{h_{1T}^{\perp g}(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}{h_1^g(x, \mathbf{q}_T^2)}$$

Process dependence of gluon TMDs

Gauge invariance of correlators



summation of all gluon exchanges leads to *path-ordered exponentials* in the correlators

$$\Phi \propto \langle P | \bar{\psi}(0) \mathcal{U}_C[0, \xi] \psi(\xi) | P \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{U}_C[0, \xi] = \mathcal{P} \exp \left(-ig \int_{C[0, \xi]} ds_\mu A^\mu(s) \right)$$

Efremov & Radyushkin, Theor. Math. Phys. 44 ('81) 774

The path C depends on whether the color interactions are with an incoming or outgoing color charge, yielding different paths for different processes

[Collins & Soper, 1983; Boer & Mulders, 2000; Brodsky, Hwang & Schmidt, 2002; Collins, 2002; Belitsky, Ji & Yuan, 2003; Boer, Mulders & Pijlman, 2003]

These *gauge links* may or may not affect observables and it turns out that they do in certain cases sensitive to the transverse momentum

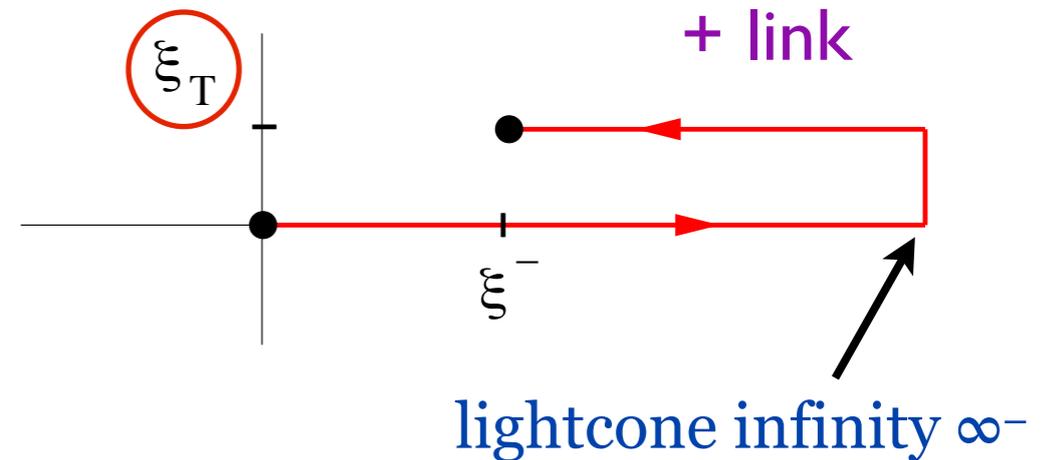
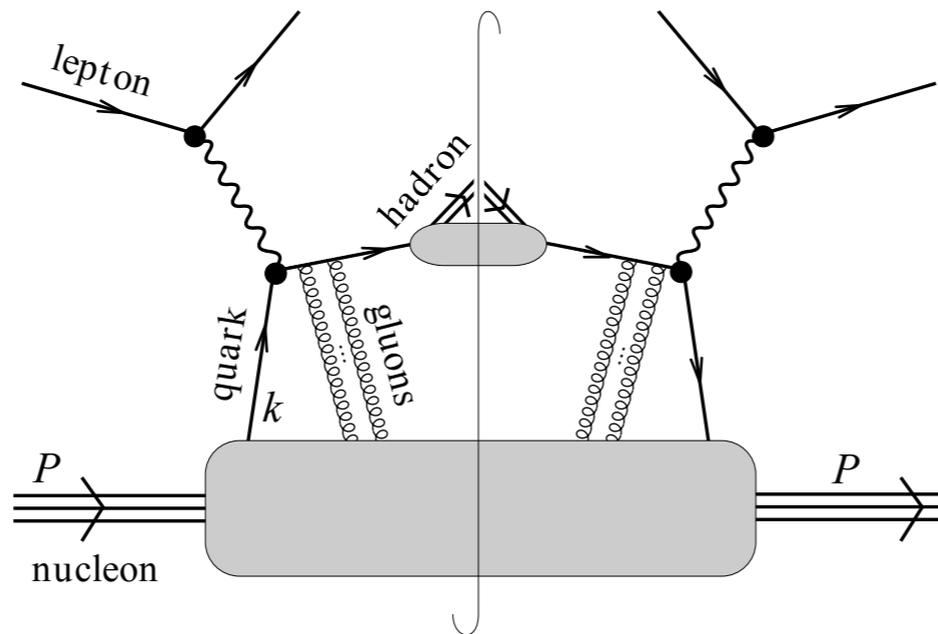
Gauge links in quark TMDs

semi-inclusive DIS

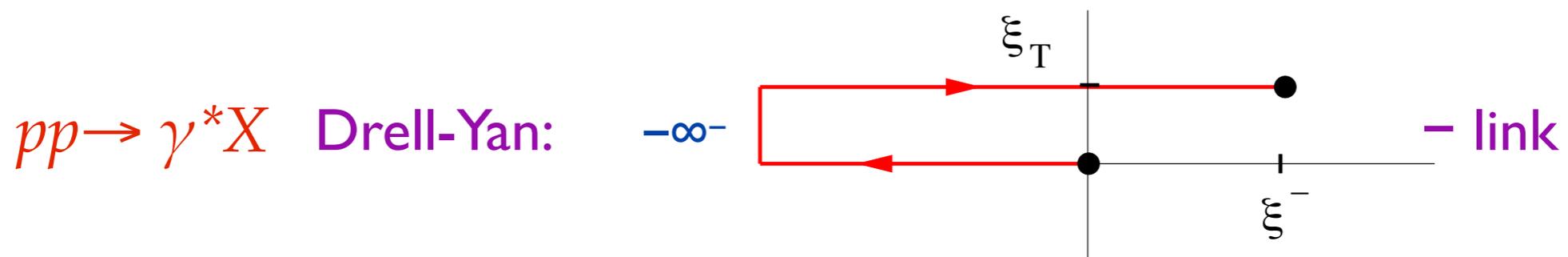
$$ep \rightarrow e' h X$$

$$k \approx xP + k_T$$

$$P^\mu \approx P^+$$



$$U_C[0, \xi] = \mathcal{P} \exp \left(-ig \int_{C[0, \xi]} ds_\mu A^\mu(s) \right) \quad \xi = [0^+, \xi^-, \xi_T]$$



This has observable effects, as was first noted for quark Sivers asymmetries

[Brodsky, Hwang & Schmidt, 2002; Collins, 2002; Belitsky, Ji & Yuan, 2003]

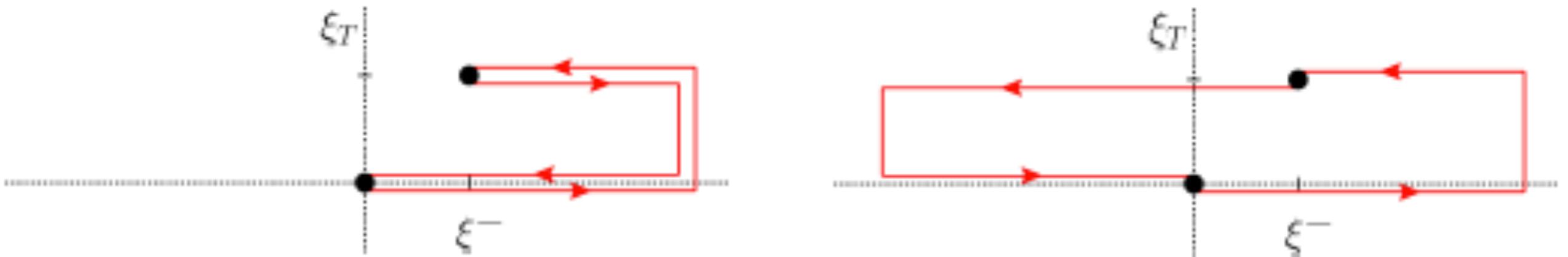
$$f_{1T}^{\perp q[\text{SIDIS}]}(x, k_T^2) = -f_{1T}^{\perp q[\text{DY}]}(x, k_T^2) \quad [\text{Collins '02}]$$

Process dependence of gluon TMDs

A similar sign change relation for gluon Sivers functions holds, but due to the appearance of two gauge links, there are more possibilities

$$\Gamma_g^{\mu\nu}[\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{U}'](x, k_T) \equiv \text{F.T.} \langle P | \text{Tr}_c \left[F^{+\nu}(0) \mathcal{U}_{[0, \xi]} F^{+\mu}(\xi) \mathcal{U}'_{[\xi, 0]} \right] | P \rangle$$

For most gluon TMDs there are only 2 link combinations of interest: $[+, +]$ & $[+, -]$



$[-, -]$ & $[-, +]$ are related to them by parity and time reversal

More complicated links arise in processes where TMD factorization is questionable

The gauge link dependence even affects unpolarized gluon TMDs

[Dominguez, Marquet, Xiao, Yuan, 2011]

Sign change relation for gluon Sivers TMD

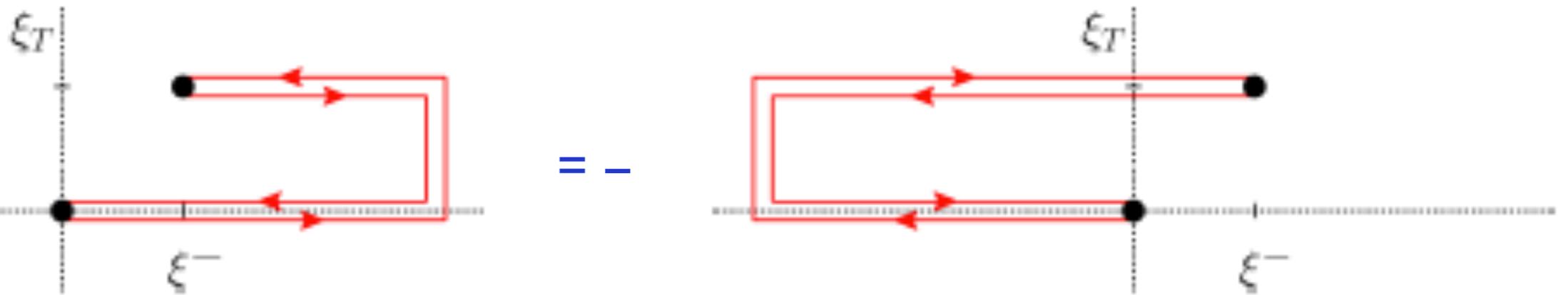
$$e p^\uparrow \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X \quad \gamma^* g \rightarrow Q \bar{Q} \text{ probes } [+,+]$$

$$p^\uparrow p \rightarrow \gamma \gamma X$$

Qiu, Schlegel, Vogelsang, 2011

In the kinematic regime where pair rapidity is central, one effectively selects the subprocess:

$$g g \rightarrow \gamma \gamma \text{ probes } [-,-]$$



$$f_{1T}^\perp g [e p^\uparrow \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X] (x, p_T^2) = - f_{1T}^\perp g [p^\uparrow p \rightarrow \gamma \gamma X] (x, p_T^2)$$

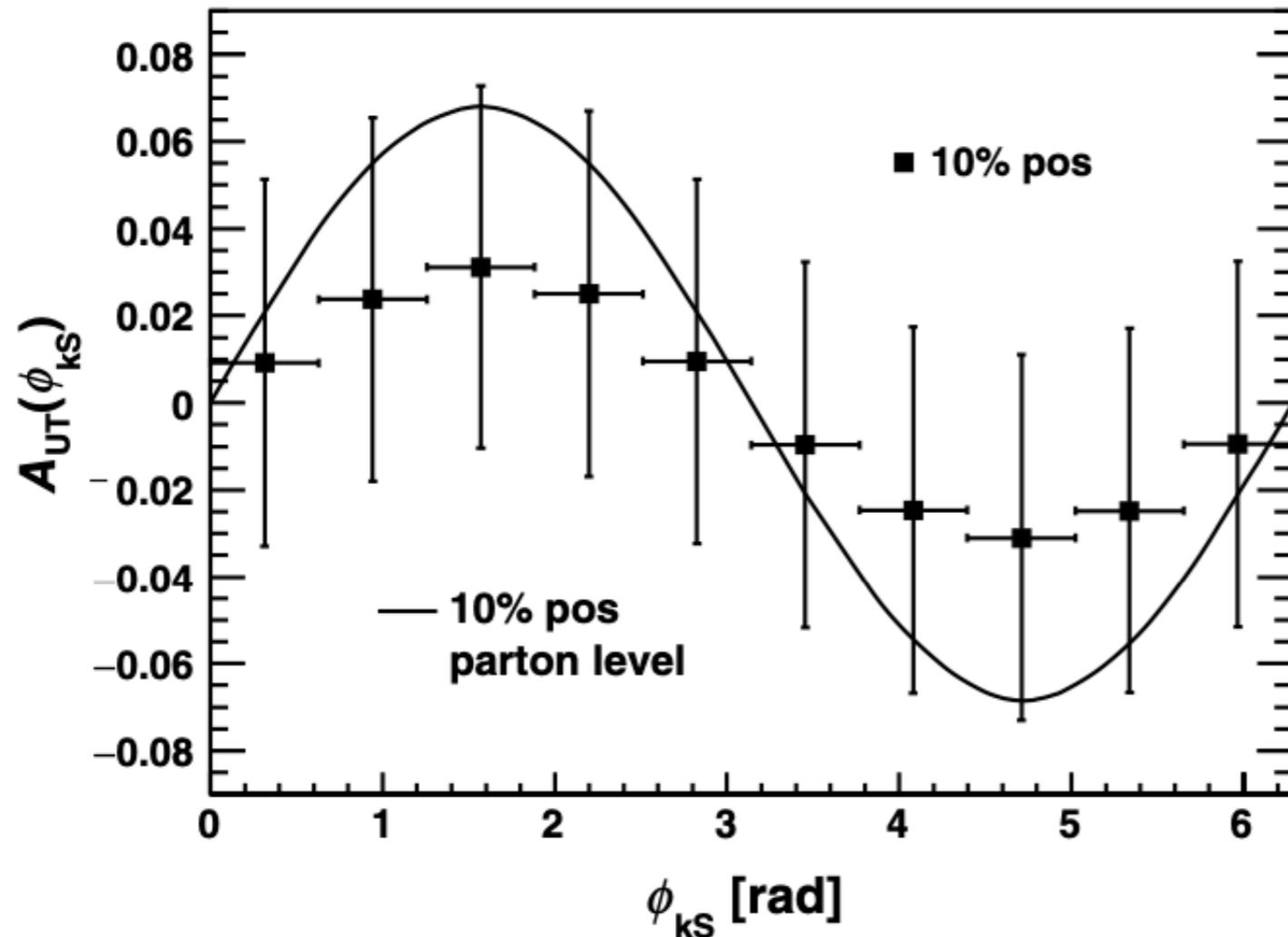
EIC

RHIC

Boer, Mulders, Pisano, J. Zhou, 2016

Asymmetries in heavy quark pair production

Sivers asymmetry in D-meson pair production at EIC:



$$f_{1T}^{\perp g} [+, +]$$

Assumes gluon Sivers TMD that is 10% of the positivity bound

Luminosity of 10 fb⁻¹

Zheng, Aschenauer, Lee, Xiao, Jin, 2018

$$\langle x_B \rangle = 0.0012$$

The [+,+] Sivers TMD lacks the 1/x growth of the unpolarized gluon TMD (at least in the perturbative k_T regime), hence 10% at $x=0.001$ may be too optimistic

Boer, Echevarria, Mulders, J. Zhou, PRL 2016

Jet pair production more promising, but receives contributions from quark TMDs

High- p_T hadron pairs

COMPASS measured the gluon Sivers asymmetry in high- p_T hadron pair production in muon-deuteron and muon-proton scattering

The combined result for PGF:

$$A^{\text{Siv}} = -0.23 \pm 0.08 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.05 \text{ (syst)} \text{ at } \langle x_g \rangle = 0.15$$

$$f_{1T}^{\perp g} [+, +]$$

[C.Adolph et al., PLB 2017]

Imposed requirement: $p_{1T} > 0.7 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $p_{2T} > 0.4 \text{ GeV}/c$

The bulk of the data was for $p_{1T} < 1.7 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $p_{2T} < 1.1 \text{ GeV}/c$

The gluon contribution has been estimated using MC

Significant contribution to the asymmetry from QCD Compton (quark TMDs)

EIC projections are promising for gluon Sivers TMDs 5% of the positivity bound

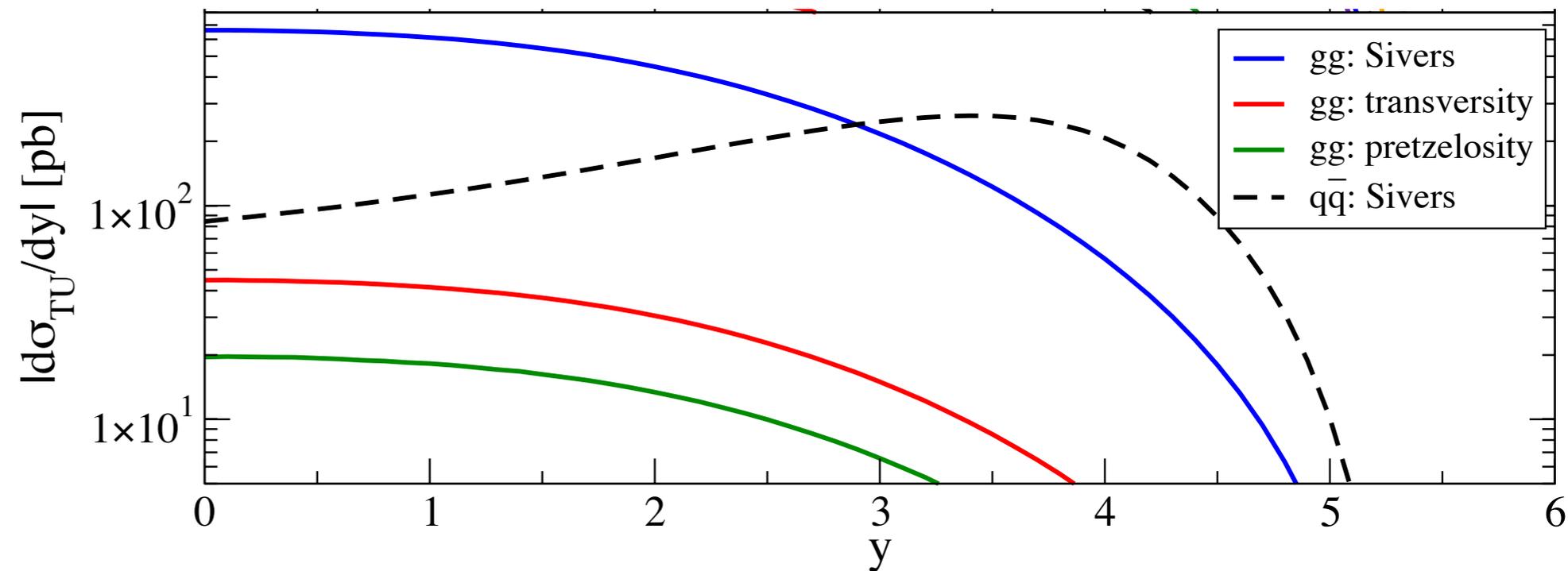
Zheng, Aschenauer, Lee, Xiao, Jin, 2018

Gluon Sivers effect in double γ production

$$f_{1T}^{\perp g}[-,-]$$

$$p^\uparrow p \rightarrow \gamma\gamma X$$

[Qiu, Schlegel, Vogelsang, 2011]



$\sqrt{s}=500$ GeV, $p_{T\gamma} \geq 1$ GeV, integrated over $4 < Q^2 < 30$ GeV², $0 \leq q_T \leq 1$ GeV

At photon pair rapidity $y < 3$ gluon Sivers dominates and $\max(d\sigma_{TU}/d\sigma_{UU}) \sim 30\text{-}50\%$

Asymmetry may be large but di-photon rate is not at RHIC, so also very challenging

Same may apply to $J/\psi \gamma$ and $J/\psi J/\psi$ pair production in $p^\uparrow p$ collisions

f and d type gluon Sivers TMD

$$e p^\uparrow \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X$$

$$\gamma^* g \rightarrow Q \bar{Q} \text{ probes } [+,+]$$

$$p^\uparrow p \rightarrow \gamma \text{ jet } X$$

In the kinematic regime where gluons in the polarized proton dominate, one effectively selects the subprocess: $g q \rightarrow \gamma q$ probes $[+,-]$



These processes probe 2 distinct, *independent* gluon Sivers functions

Related to the antisymmetric (f^{abc}) and symmetric (d^{abc}) color structures

Bomhof, Mulders, 2007; Buffing, Mukherjee, Mulders, 2013

Conclusion: gluon Sivers TMD studies using different processes can be related or they can be complementary

Gluon Sivers effect in γ jet production

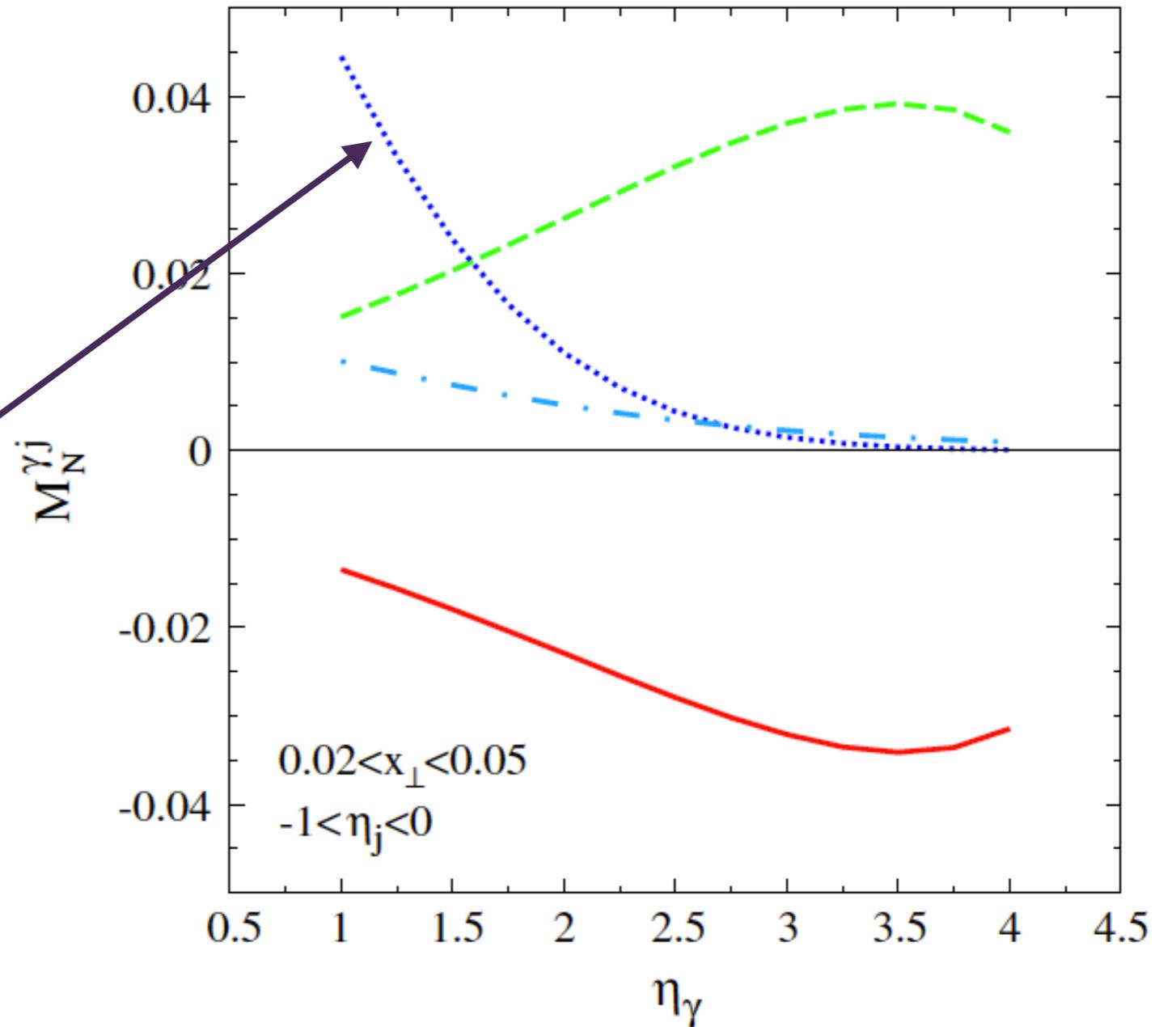
[Bacchetta, Bomhof, D'Alesio, Mulders, Murgia, 2007]

$$f_{1T}^{\perp g [+,-]}$$

$$p \uparrow p \rightarrow \gamma \text{ jet } X$$

maximum contribution from the gluon Sivers function (absolute value)

Prediction for the azimuthal moment at $\sqrt{s}=200$ GeV and $p_{T\gamma} \geq 1$ GeV



$$M_N^{\gamma j}(\eta_\gamma, \eta_j, x_\perp) = \frac{\int d\phi_j d\phi_\gamma \frac{2|\mathbf{K}_{\gamma\perp}|}{M} \sin(\delta\phi) \cos(\phi_\gamma) \frac{d\sigma}{d\phi_j d\phi_\gamma}}{\int d\phi_j d\phi_\gamma \frac{d\sigma}{d\phi_j d\phi_\gamma}}$$

Gluon Sivers effect at small x

Selection of processes that probe the f-type or d-type Sivers gluon TMD:

| | $e p^\uparrow \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X$ $e p^\uparrow \rightarrow e' j_1 j_2 X$ | $p^\uparrow A \rightarrow h X$ ($x_F < 0$) | $p^\uparrow A \rightarrow \gamma^{(*)} \text{jet } X$ | $p^\uparrow p \rightarrow \gamma \gamma X$ $p^\uparrow p \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma X$ $p^\uparrow p \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi X$ |
|--------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| $f_{1T}^{\perp g [+,+]}$ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ |
| $f_{1T}^{\perp g [+,-]}$ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ |

The d-type Sivers gluon TMD can be probed in $p^\uparrow A \rightarrow h X$ in the backward region
 → small x in the polarized proton and large A will enhance gluon-gluon scattering

The *leading twist* [+,-] correlator becomes in the small-x limit:

$$\Gamma^{[+,-] ij}(x, \mathbf{k}_T) \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{k_T^i k_T^j}{2\pi L} \Gamma_0^{[\square]}(\mathbf{k}_T) \quad \text{a single Wilson loop matrix element}$$

Boer, Cotogno, van Daal, Mulders, Signori & Ya-Jin Zhou, JHEP 2016

$$U^{[\square]} = U_{[0,y]}^{[+]} U_{[y,0]}^{[-]}$$

d-type gluon Sivers effect

The d-type gluon Sivers function $f_{1T}^{\perp g [+,-]}$ at small x is part of:

$$\Gamma_{(d)}^{(T\text{-odd})} \equiv \left(\Gamma^{[+,-]} - \Gamma^{[-,+]} \right) \propto \text{F.T.} \langle P, S_T | \text{Tr} \left[U^{[\square]}(0_T, y_T) - U^{[\square]\dagger}(0_T, y_T) \right] | P, S_T \rangle$$

Boer, Echevarria, Mulders, J. Zhou, PRL 2016

At small x it can be identified with the *spin-dependent odderon* [J. Zhou, 2013]

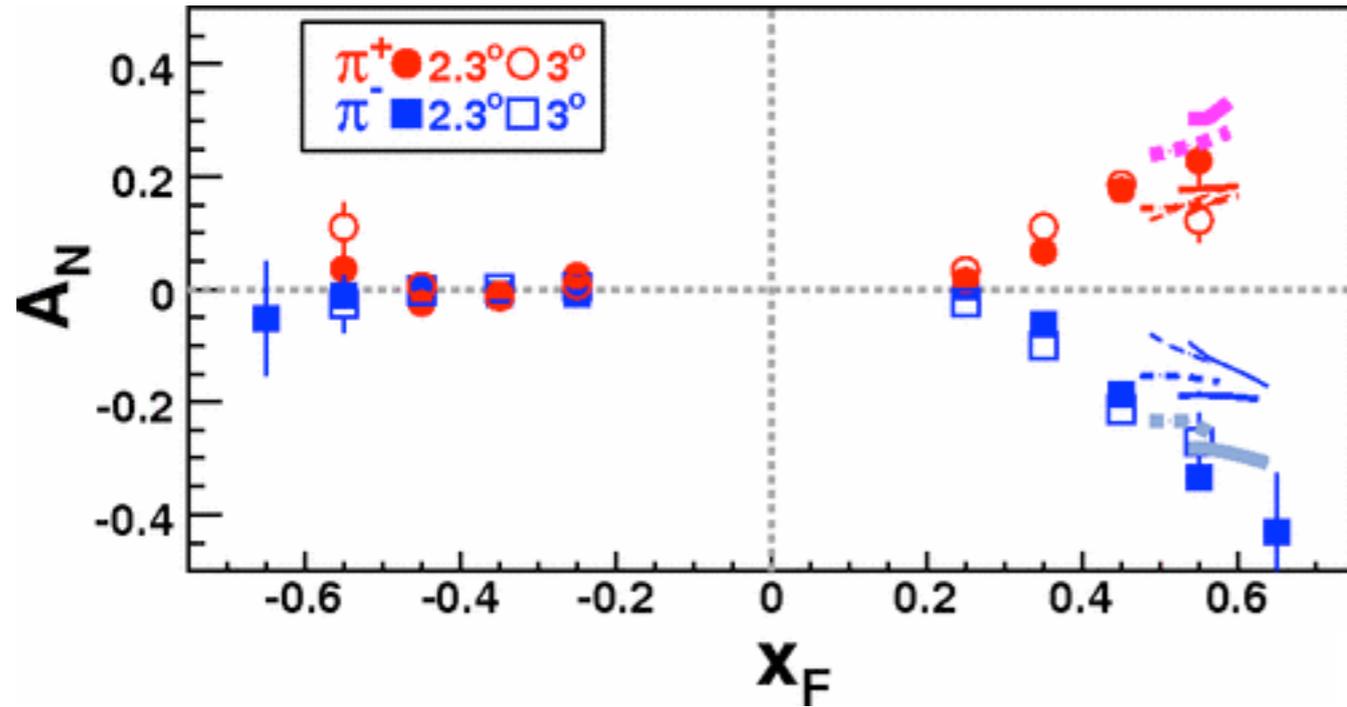
It is the only relevant contribution to A_N in backward ($x_F < 0$) charged hadron production in $p \uparrow A$

A_N is not a TMD factorizing process, but at small x one can apply a hybrid factorization (at least at one-loop order)

[Chirilli, Xiao, Yuan, 2012]

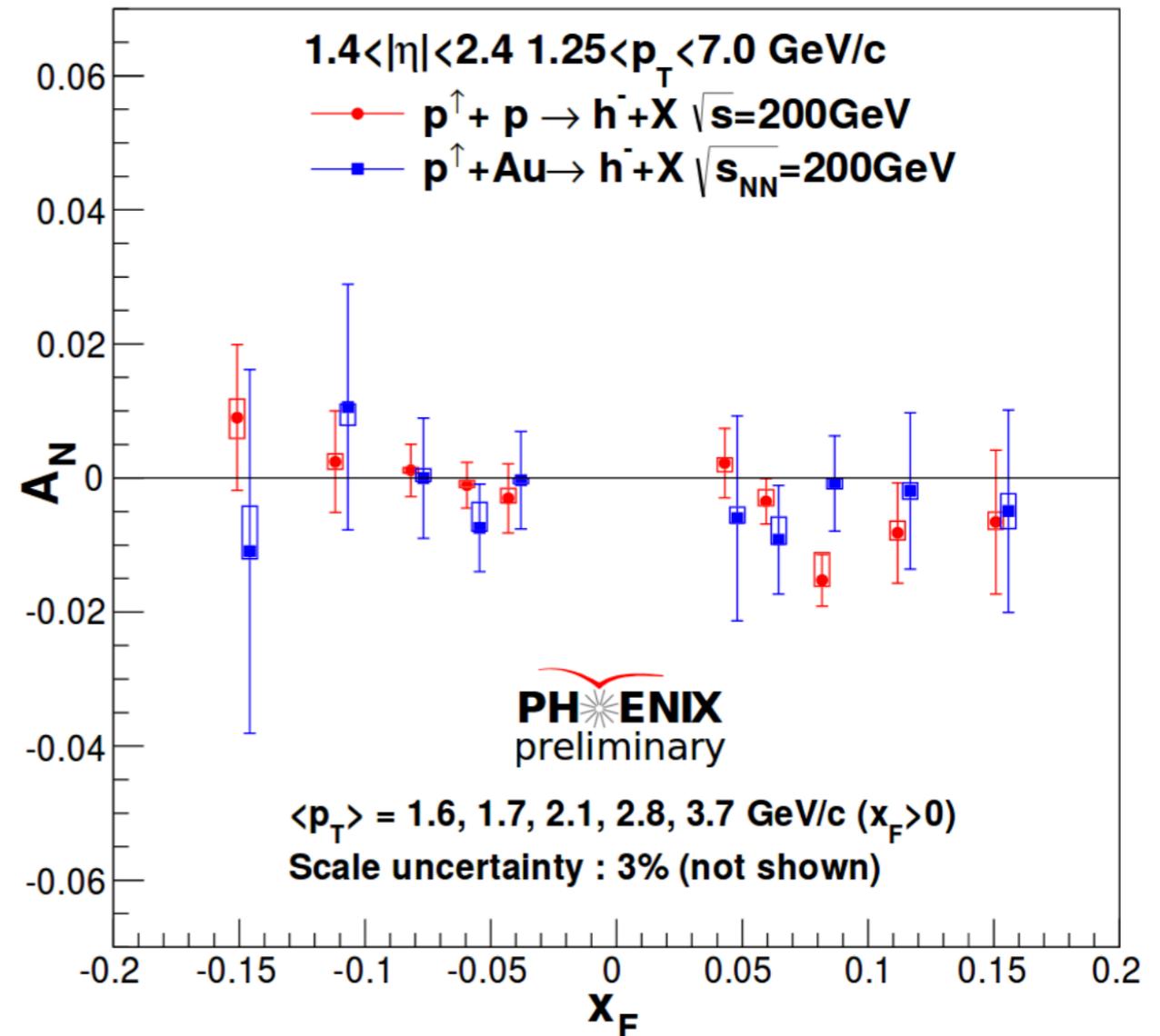
As the odderon is C-odd, for gg-dominated scattering one should select final states that are not C-even, hence charged hadron production (as opposed to jets or π^0)

$p \uparrow p \rightarrow h^\pm X$ at $x_F < 0$



BRAHMS, 2008 $\sqrt{s} = 62.4$ GeV
 low p_T , up to roughly 1.2 GeV
 where gg channel dominates

PHENIX, 2017
 $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV
 p_T between 1.25 and 7 GeV



Interesting process to study e.g. at NICA

Probes of unpolarized gluon TMDs

WW vs DP

For most processes of interest there are 2 relevant unpolarized gluon distributions

Dominguez, Marquet, Xiao, Yuan, 2011

$$xG^{(1)}(x, k_{\perp}) = 2 \int \frac{d\xi^{-} d\xi_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^3 P^+} e^{ixP^+\xi^{-} - ik_{\perp} \cdot \xi_{\perp}} \langle P | \text{Tr} [F^{+i}(\xi^{-}, \xi_{\perp}) \mathcal{U}^{[+]\dagger} F^{+i}(0) \mathcal{U}^{[+]}] | P \rangle \quad [+, +]$$

$$xG^{(2)}(x, k_{\perp}) = 2 \int \frac{d\xi^{-} d\xi_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^3 P^+} e^{ixP^+\xi^{-} - ik_{\perp} \cdot \xi_{\perp}} \langle P | \text{Tr} [F^{+i}(\xi^{-}, \xi_{\perp}) \mathcal{U}^{[-]\dagger} F^{+i}(0) \mathcal{U}^{[+]}] | P \rangle \quad [+, -]$$

For unpolarized gluons $[+, +] = [-, -]$ and $[+, -] = [-, +]$

At small x the two correspond to the Weizsäcker-Williams (WW) and dipole (DP) distributions, which are generally different in magnitude and width:

$$xG^{(1)}(x, k_{\perp}) = -\frac{2}{\alpha_S} \int \frac{d^2v}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2v'}{(2\pi)^2} e^{-ik_{\perp} \cdot (v-v')} \langle \text{Tr} [\partial_i U(v)] U^{\dagger}(v') [\partial_i U(v')] U^{\dagger}(v) \rangle_{x_g} \quad \text{WW}$$

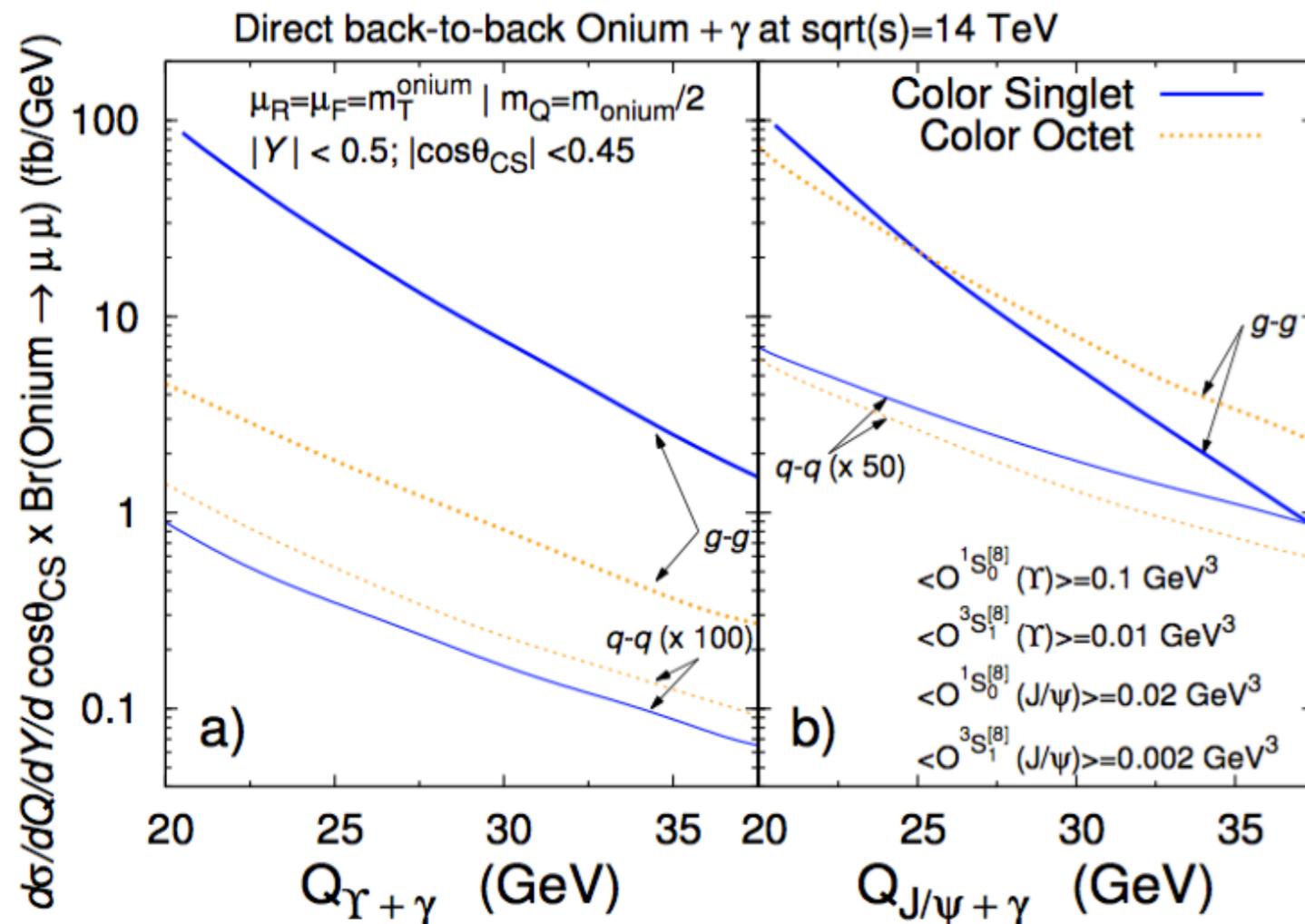
$$xG^{(2)}(x, q_{\perp}) = \frac{q_{\perp}^2 N_c}{2\pi^2 \alpha_s} S_{\perp} \int \frac{d^2r_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} e^{-iq_{\perp} \cdot r_{\perp}} \frac{1}{N_c} \langle \text{Tr} U(0) U^{\dagger}(r_{\perp}) \rangle_{x_g} \quad \text{DP}$$

Different processes probe one or the other or a mixture, so this can be tested

Processes for unpolarized gluon TMDs

Selection of processes that probe the WW or DP unpolarized gluon TMD:

| | $pA \rightarrow \gamma \text{ jet } X$ | $ep \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X$ $ep \rightarrow e' j_1 j_2 X$ | $pp \rightarrow \eta_{c,b} X$ $pp \rightarrow H X$ | $pp \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma X$ $pp \rightarrow \Upsilon \gamma X$ |
|--------------------|--|--|---|--|
| $f_1^g [+,+]$ (WW) | × | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| $f_1^g [+,-]$ (DP) | ✓ | × | × | × |



$$pp \rightarrow Q \gamma X$$

a good process at LHC
to extract

$$f_1^g [+,+]$$

[Den Dunnen, Lansberg, Pisano, Schlegel, 2014]

Processes for unpolarized gluon TMDs

Heavy quarks are generally promising to exploit, but not in all processes:

$pp \rightarrow J/\psi X$ or ΥX Color Singlet (CS) vector quarkonium production from 2 gluons is forbidden by Landau-Yang theorem, while Color Octet (CO) production involves a more complicated link structure

For C-even (pseudo-)scalar quarkonium production $gg \rightarrow CS$ is leading contribution

$pp \rightarrow \eta_c X$ or $pp \rightarrow \chi_c X$ could be studied at NICA

In LO NRQCD the differential cross sections in pp and pA are:

$$\frac{d\sigma(\eta_Q)}{dy d^2\mathbf{q}_T} = \frac{2}{9} \frac{\pi^3 \alpha_s^2}{M^3 s} \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_1^{\eta_Q} (^1S_0) | 0 \rangle \mathcal{C} [f_1^g f_1^g] [1 - R(\mathbf{q}_T^2)]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma(\chi_{Q0})}{dy d^2\mathbf{q}_T} = \frac{8}{3} \frac{\pi^3 \alpha_s^2}{M^5 s} \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_1^{\chi_{Q0}} (^3P_0) | 0 \rangle \mathcal{C} [f_1^g f_1^g] [1 + R(\mathbf{q}_T^2)]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma(\chi_{Q2})}{dy d^2\mathbf{q}_T} = \frac{32}{9} \frac{\pi^3 \alpha_s^2}{M^5 s} \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_1^{\chi_{Q2}} (^3P_2) | 0 \rangle \mathcal{C} [f_1^g f_1^g] \quad [\text{Boer, Pisano, 2012}]$$

$R(\mathbf{q}_T^2)$ is the contribution from the linearly polarized gluon TMD $h_{1\perp g}$

Probes of linearly
polarized gluons TMDs

Probes of linear gluon polarization

For linearly polarized gluons $[+,+] = [-,-]$ and $[+,-] = [-,+]$

Processes that probe the linearly polarized gluon TMD:

| | $pp \rightarrow \gamma \gamma X$ | $pA \rightarrow \gamma^* \text{jet } X$ | $ep \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X$ $ep \rightarrow e' j_1 j_2 X$ | $pp \rightarrow \eta_{c,b} X$ $pp \rightarrow H X$ | $pp \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma X$ $pp \rightarrow \Upsilon \gamma X$ |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| $h_1^\perp g^{[+,+]}$ (WW) | ✓ | × | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| $h_1^\perp g^{[+,-]}$ (DP) | × | ✓ | × | × | × |

1% level at RHIC

Qiu, Schlegel, Vogelsang, 2011

5% level at RHIC

Boer, Mulders, J. Zhou, Y. Zhou, 2017

10% level at EIC

Boer, Brodsky, Pisano, Mulders, 2011;
Dumitru, Lappi, Skokov, 2015;
Boer, Pisano, Mulders, J. Zhou, 2016;
Efremov, Ivanov, Teryaev, 2018

10% level for η_Q and
1% level for Higgs at LHC

Boer & den Dunnen, 2014;
Echevarria, Kasemets,
Mulders, Pisano, 2015

Higgs and $0^{\pm\pm}$ quarkonium production uses the angular *independent* p_T distribution

All other suggestions use angular modulations

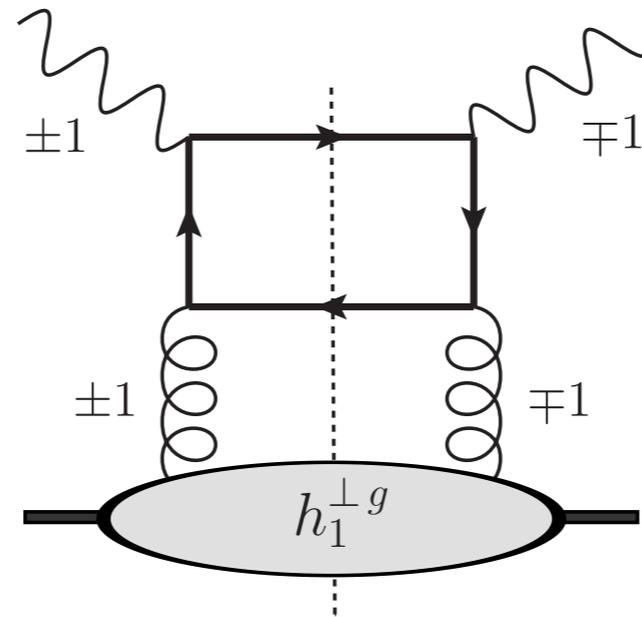
$pp \rightarrow Q \bar{Q} X$ [Akcaakaya, Schäfer, Zhou, 2013; Pisano, Boer, Brodsky, Buffing, Mulders, 2013]

TMD factorization is a concern here [Catani, Grazzini, Torre, 2015]

Open heavy quark electro-production

Unpolarized open heavy quark production at EIC allows to probe $h_1^{\perp g}(x, p_T^2)$

$$ep \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X$$



no convolution!

[Boer, Brodsky, Mulders & Pisano, 2010]

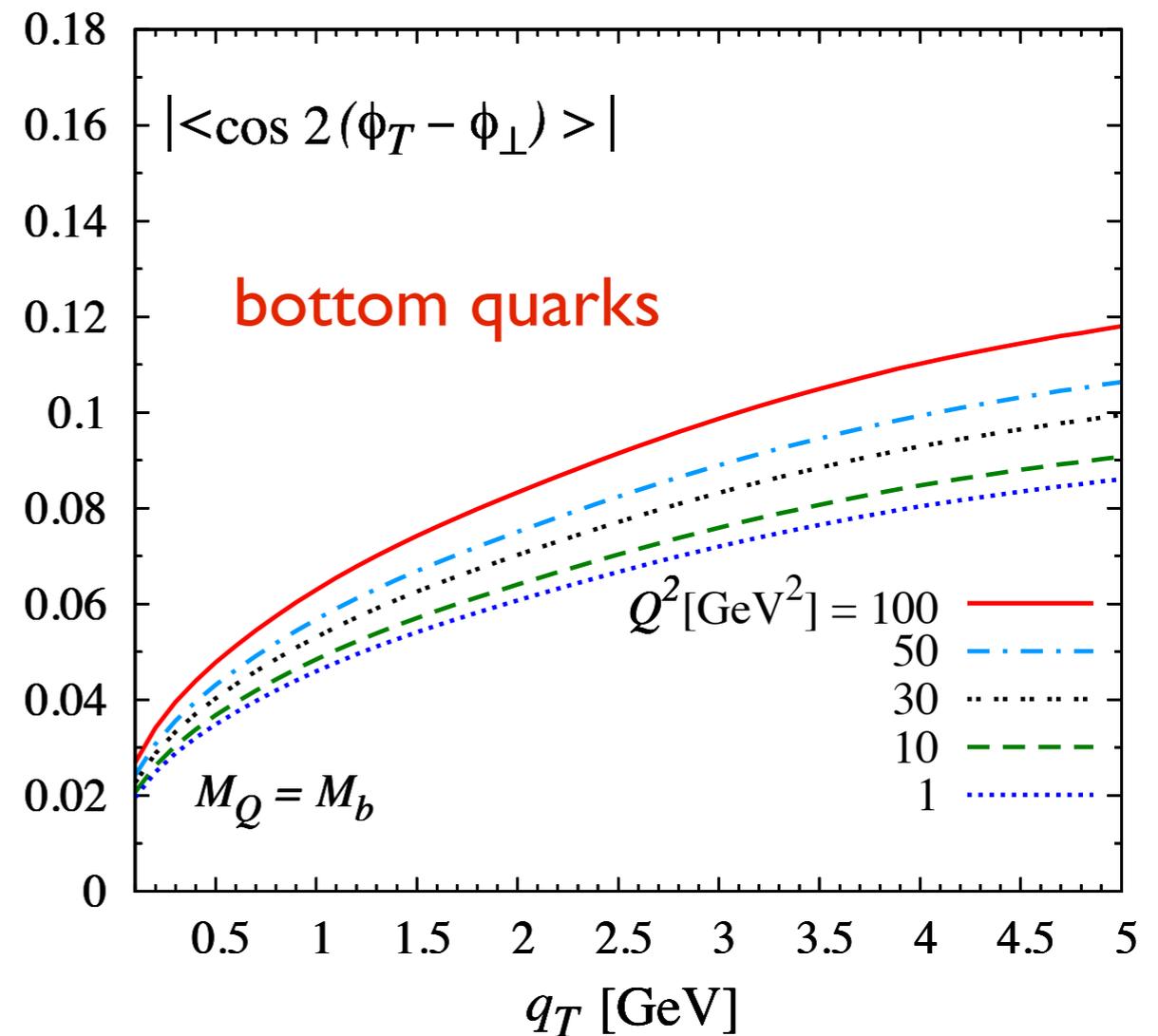
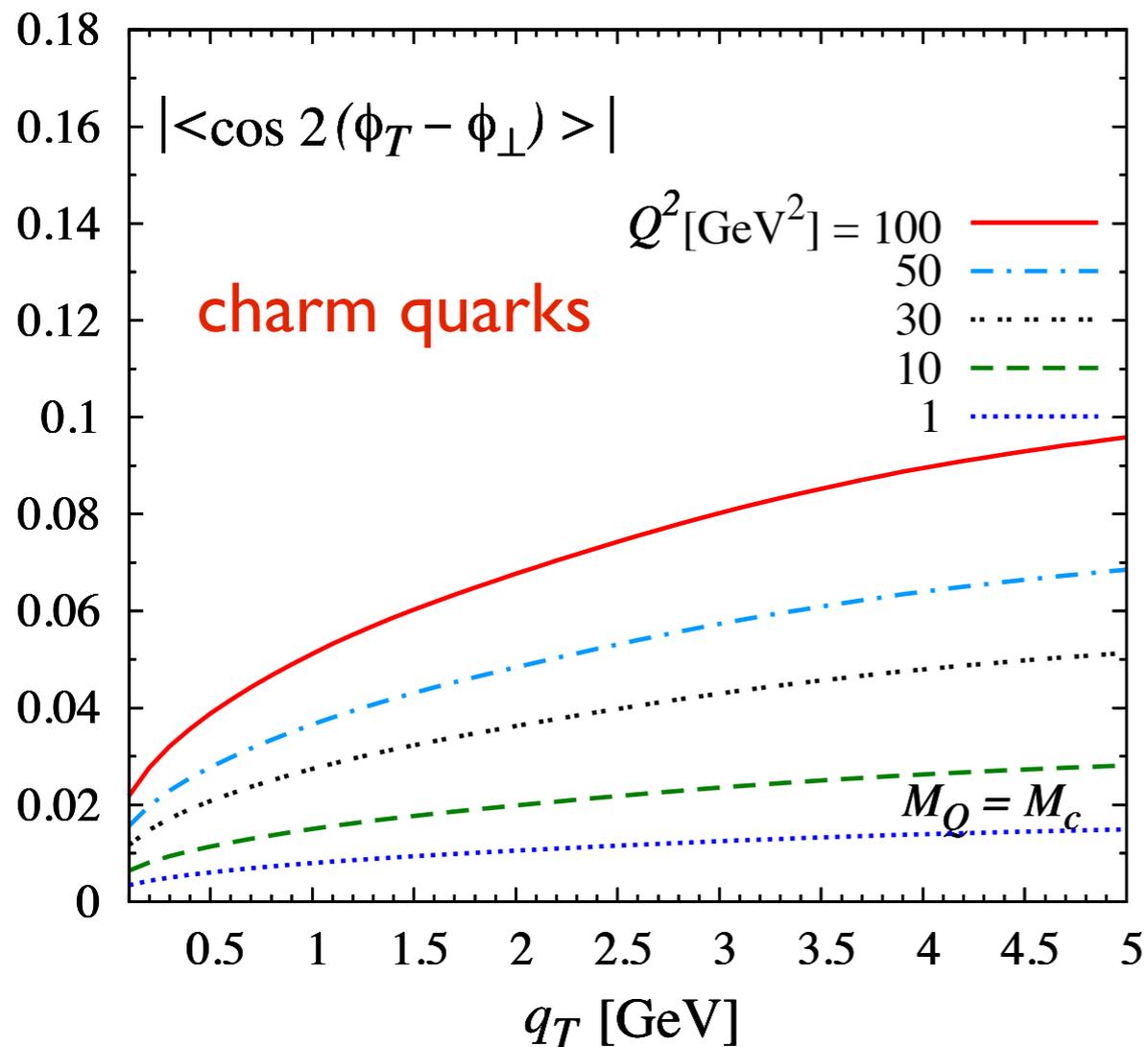
The individual transverse momenta have to be large but their sum has to be small

Linearly polarized gluons lead to $\cos 2\phi_T$ or $\cos 2(\phi_T - \phi_{\perp})$ angular modulation

$h_1^{\perp g}$ appears by itself, so its sign can be determined and the effects could be significant, especially towards smaller x as it follows the fast growth of f_{1g}

Asymmetries in heavy quark pair production

$h_1^\perp g$ expected to keep up with growth of the unpolarized gluons TMD as $x \rightarrow 0$



small x
MV model

$$|\mathbf{K}_\perp| = 10 \text{ GeV}$$

$$z = 0.5$$

$$y = 0.3$$

Sizable asymmetries at EIC

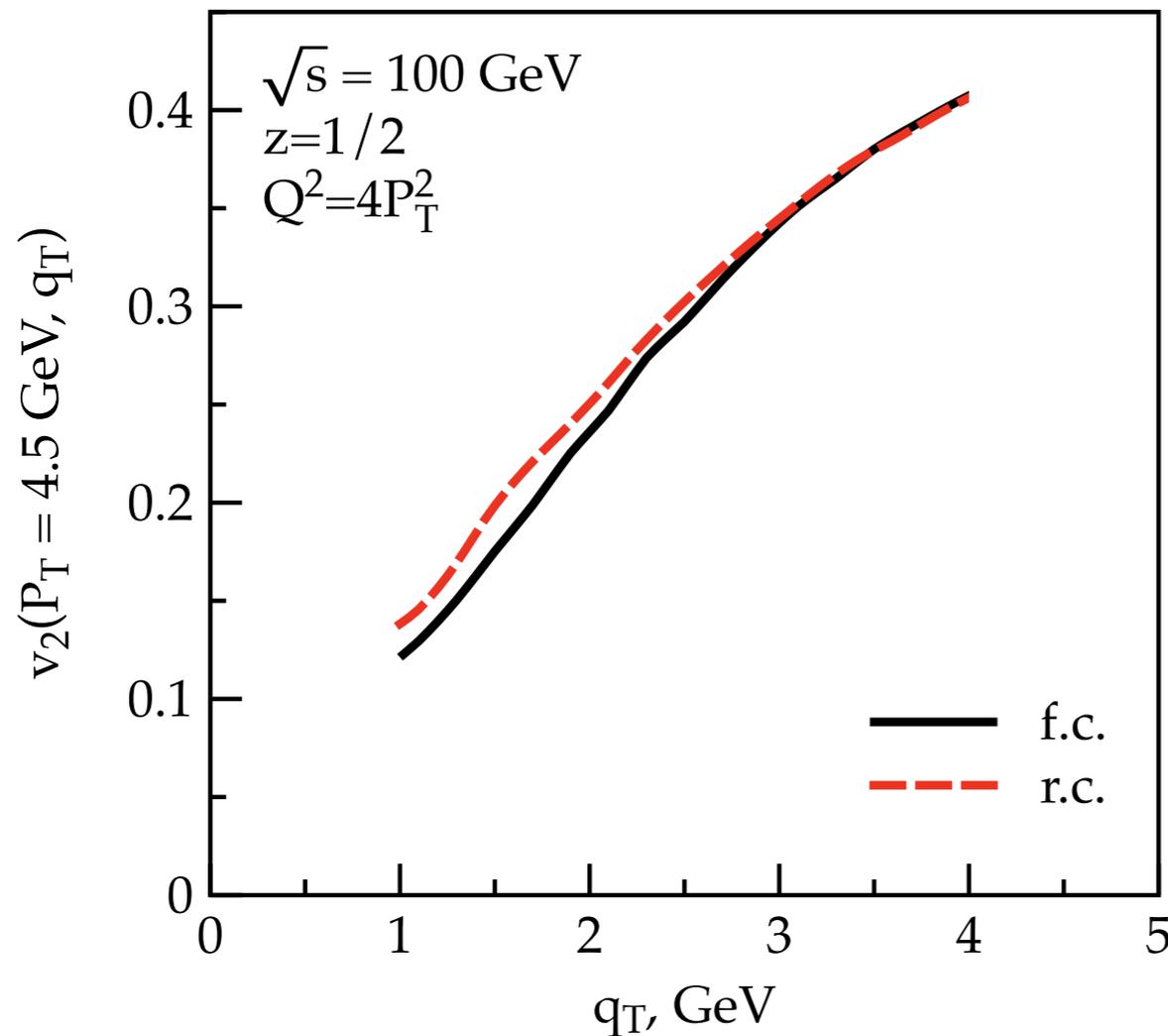
[Boer, Pisano, Mulders, Zhou, 2016]

Dijet production at EIC

$h_{1\perp g}$ (WW) is also accessible in dijet production at EIC

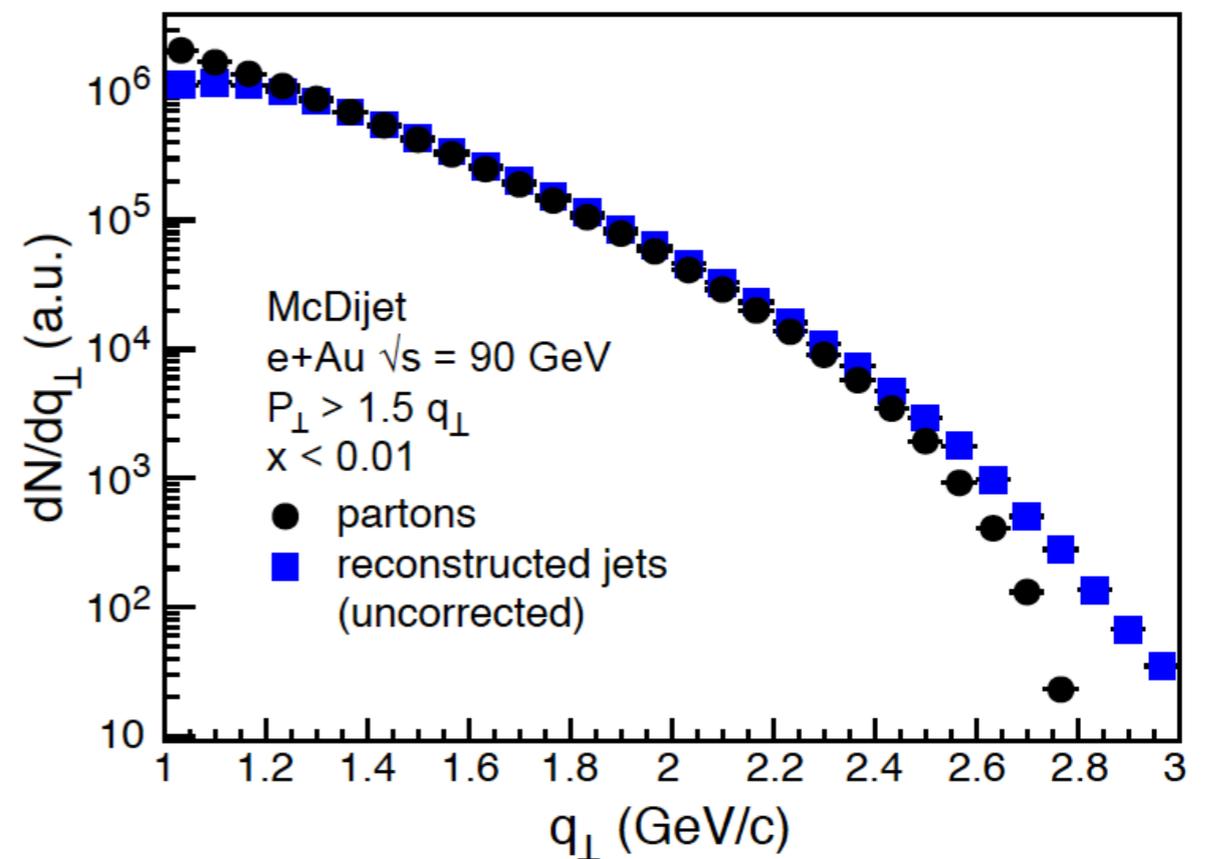
[Metz, Zhou 2011; Pisano, Boer, Brodsky, Buffing, Mulders, 2013; Boer, Pisano, Mulders, Zhou, 2016]

Linear gluon polarization shows itself through a $\cos 2\phi$ distribution (“ v_2 ”)



Large effects are found

Dumitru, Lappi, Skokov, 2015



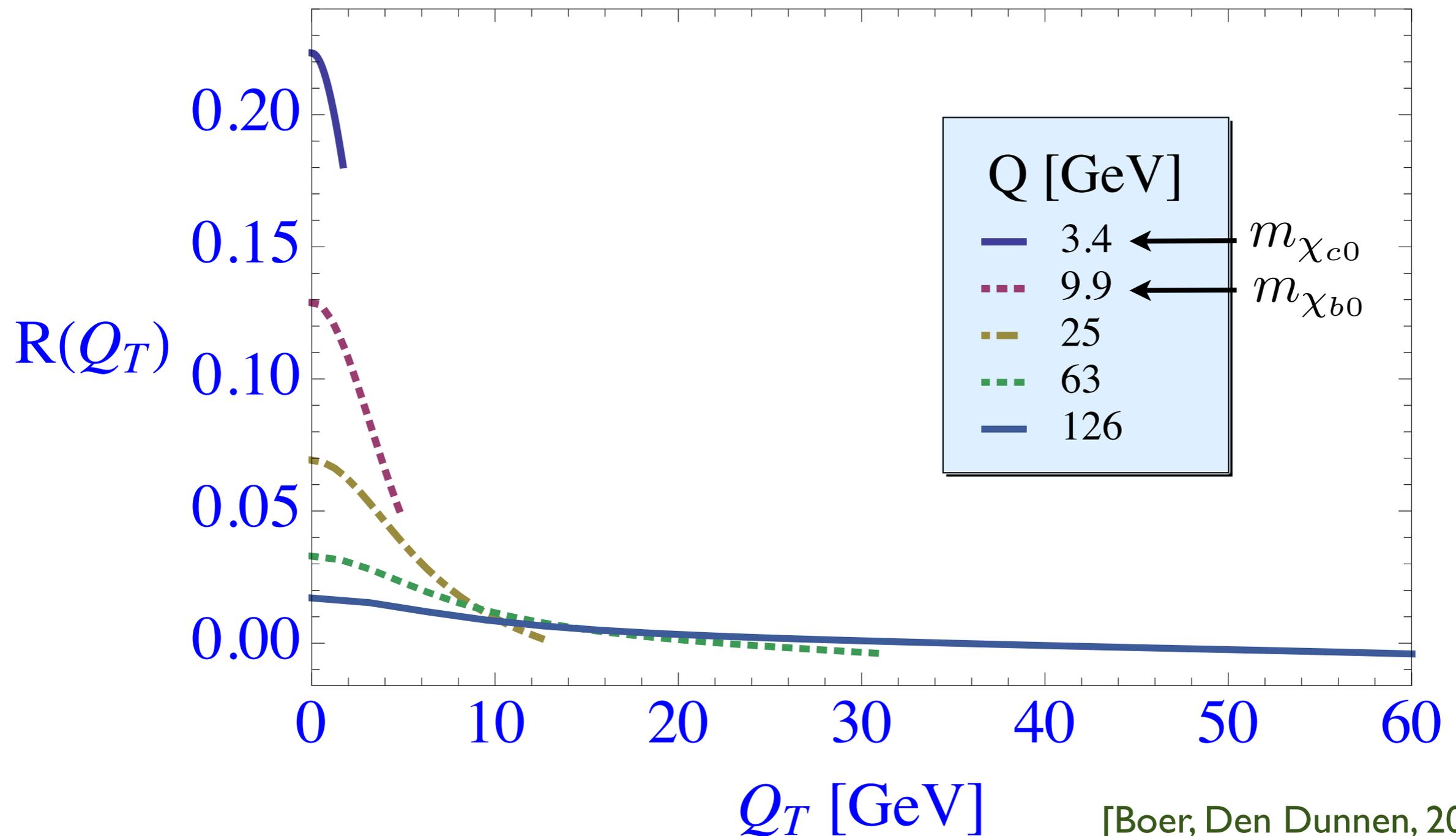
Jets are reasonable proxies for outgoing quarks concerning the q_T distribution

Dumitru, Skokov, Ullrich, 2018

Quarkonium production in pp

$pp \rightarrow \eta_c X$ or $pp \rightarrow \chi_c X$ allow to probe the linearly polarized gluon TMD

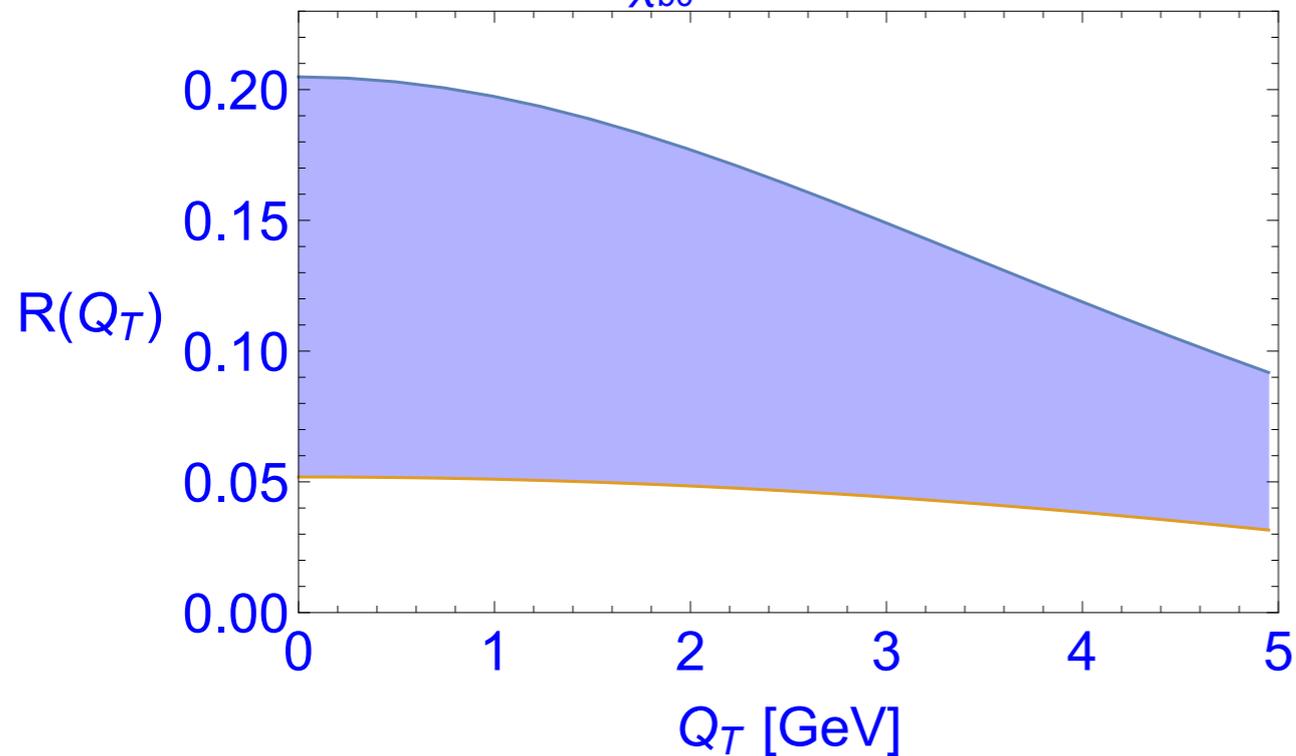
The relative contribution to the diff. cross section w.r.t. the unpolarized gluons:



Bottomonium production in pp

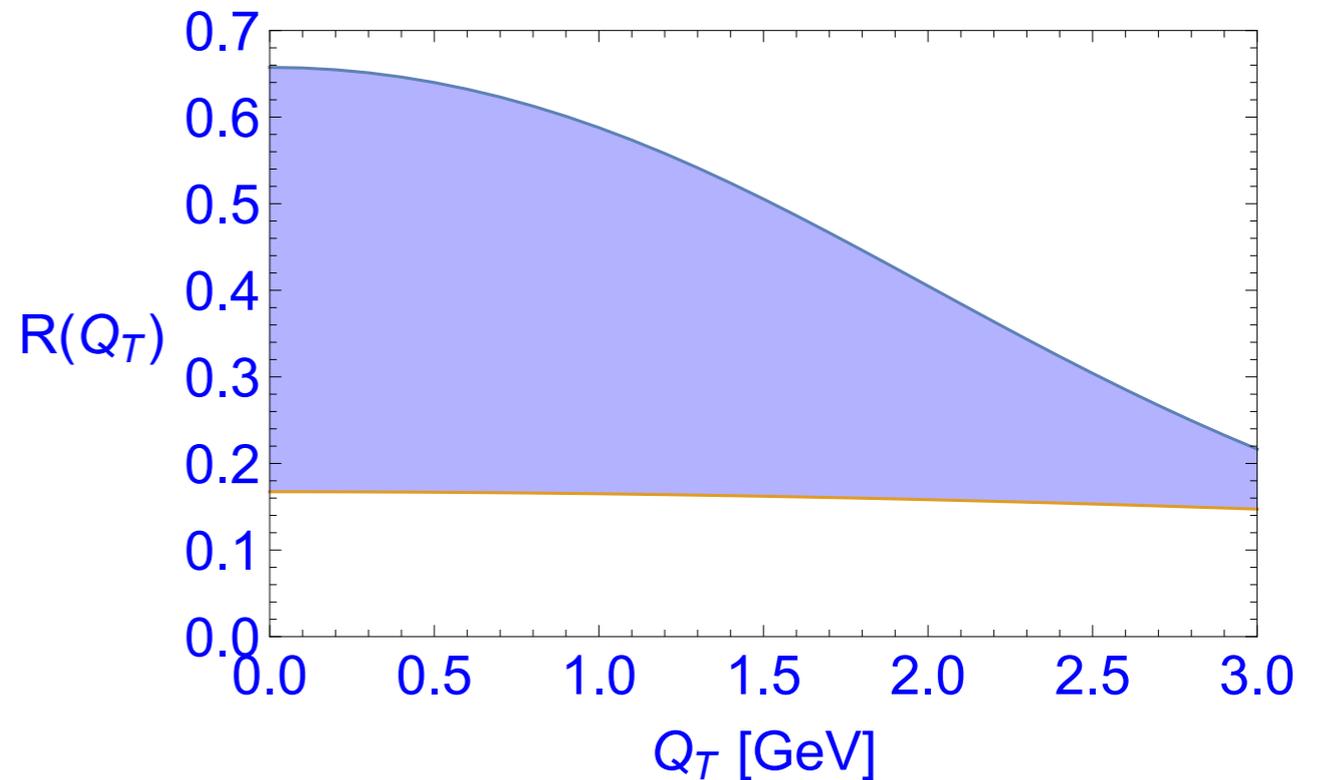
The range of predictions for C-even bottomonium production:

$$m_{\chi_{b0}} = 9.9 \text{ GeV}$$



Boer & den Dunnen, 2014

$$m_{\eta_b} = 9.4 \text{ GeV}$$



Echevarria, Kasemets, Mulders, Pisano, 2015

Very large theoretical uncertainties (from the nonperturbative part of the TMDs), even more for charmonium production, but contribution of 20% or more is expected

γ^* -jet production

$h_1^\perp g$ is power suppressed in $pp \rightarrow \gamma \text{ jet } X$

[Boer, Mulders, Pisano, 2008]

It is not power suppressed in $pp \rightarrow \gamma^* \text{ jet } X$ if $Q^2 \sim P_{\perp, \text{jet}}^2$

[Boer, Mulders, Zhou & Zhou, 2017]

Consider $Q^2 \sim P_{\perp, \text{jet}}^2$ also to avoid a three-scale problem

| | $pp \rightarrow \gamma \gamma X$ | $pA \rightarrow \gamma^* \text{ jet } X$ | $ep \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X$ $ep \rightarrow e' j_1 j_2 X$ | $pp \rightarrow \eta_{c,b} X$ $pp \rightarrow H X$ | $pp \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma X$ $pp \rightarrow \Upsilon \gamma X$ |
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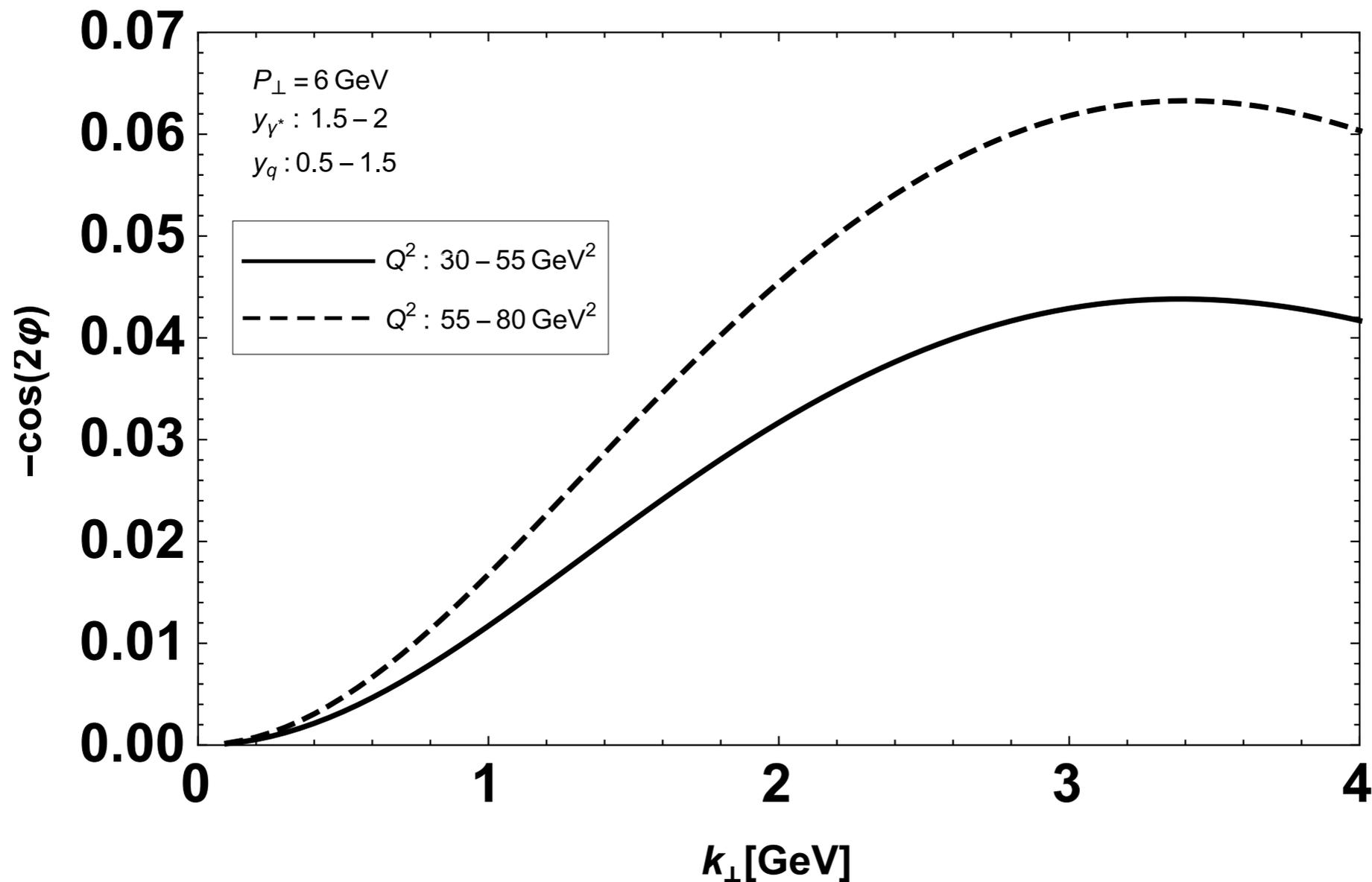
$pp \rightarrow \gamma^* \text{ jet } X$ offers a *unique* opportunity to study the DP linear gluon polarization

At high gluon density (large A and/or small x) the DP linear gluon polarization is expected to become maximal, as was first shown in the MV model for the CGC

$$x h_{1,DP}^\perp g(x, k_\perp) = 2x f_{1,DP}^g(x, k_\perp)$$

[Metz & Jian Zhou, 2011; Boer, Cotogno, van Daal, Mulders, Signori & Ya-Jin Zhou, 2016]

Sudakov suppression of linear gluon polarization



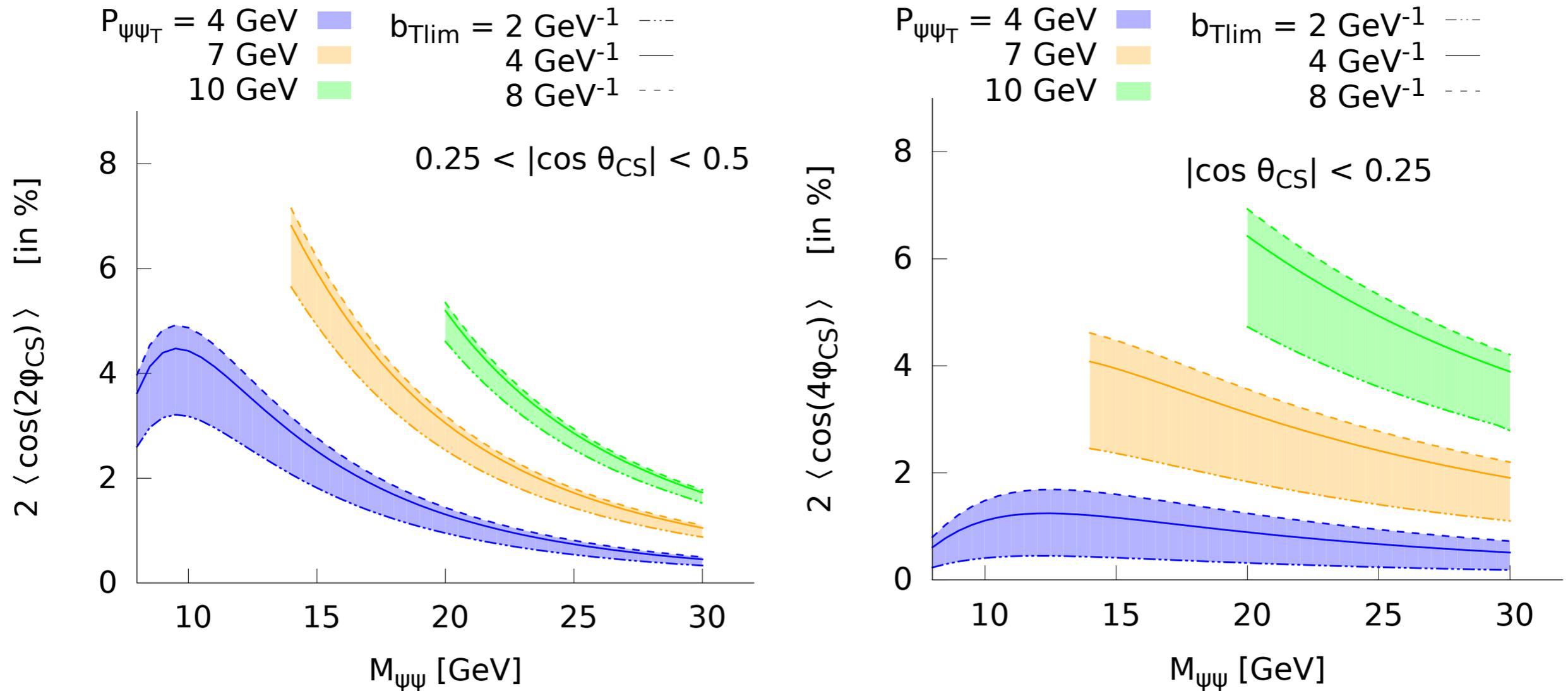
Despite the DP linear gluon polarization becoming maximal at small x , there is **amplitude and Sudakov suppression** of the $\cos(2\phi)$ asymmetry in $pA \rightarrow \gamma^* \text{ jet } X$:

~5% asymmetry at RHIC

[Boer, Mulders, Jian Zhou & Ya-Jin Zhou, 2017]

It becomes effectively power suppressed as $Q \sim P_{\perp}$ increases from 6 to 90 GeV

Linear gluon polarization in di- J/ψ production



At LHC $h_1^{\pm g}$ can be probed in $pp \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi X$

Estimated to lead to 1-5% level azimuthal modulations

[Scarpa, Boer, Echevarria, Lansberg, Pisano, Schlegel, 2019]

Conclusions

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- Gluon TMDs measurements generally require higher energy collisions, less inclusive observables (particle pair correlations) and several processes (process dependence)
- Even the unpolarized gluon TMDs have not been extracted yet, but there are plenty of future opportunities
- For the linearly polarized gluon TMDs small x will be beneficial, for the f-type gluon Sivers TMD small x is not favorable
- The f-type $[+,+]$ gluon Sivers TMD enters di-hadron production in SIDIS and satisfies the sign-change relation
- The d-type $[+,-]$ gluon Sivers TMD at small x corresponds to the spin-dependent odderon, a C-odd Wilson loop matrix element that fully determines A_N at negative x_F

Main opportunities

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|------------------------|--|-------------|
| $f_1^g [+,+]$ | $pp \rightarrow \gamma J/\psi X$ | LHC |
| | $pp \rightarrow \gamma \Upsilon X$ | LHC |
| $f_1^g [+,-]$ | $pp \rightarrow \gamma \text{jet} X$ | LHC & RHIC |
| $h_1^\perp g [+,+]$ | $ep \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X$ | EIC |
| | $ep \rightarrow e' \text{jet jet} X$ | EIC |
| | $pp \rightarrow \eta_{c,b} X$ | LHC & NICA |
| | $pp \rightarrow H X$ | LHC |
| $h_1^\perp g [+,-]$ | $pp \rightarrow \gamma^* \text{jet} X$ | LHC & RHIC |
| $f_{1T}^\perp g [+,+]$ | $ep^\uparrow \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X$ | EIC |
| | $ep^\uparrow \rightarrow e' \text{jet jet} X$ | EIC |
| $f_{1T}^\perp g [-,-]$ | $p^\uparrow p \rightarrow \gamma \gamma X$ | RHIC |
| $f_{1T}^\perp g [+,-]$ | $p^\uparrow A \rightarrow \gamma^{(*)} \text{jet} X$ | RHIC |
| | $p^\uparrow A \rightarrow h X \ (x_F < 0)$ | RHIC & NICA |