

How can we prove/disprove the relevance of Color Glass Condensate/saturation physics at the LHC?

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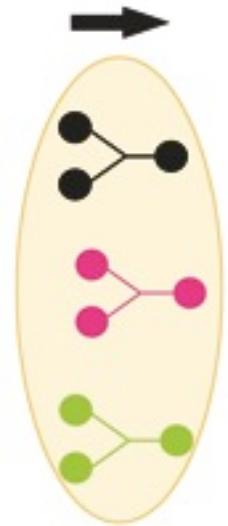
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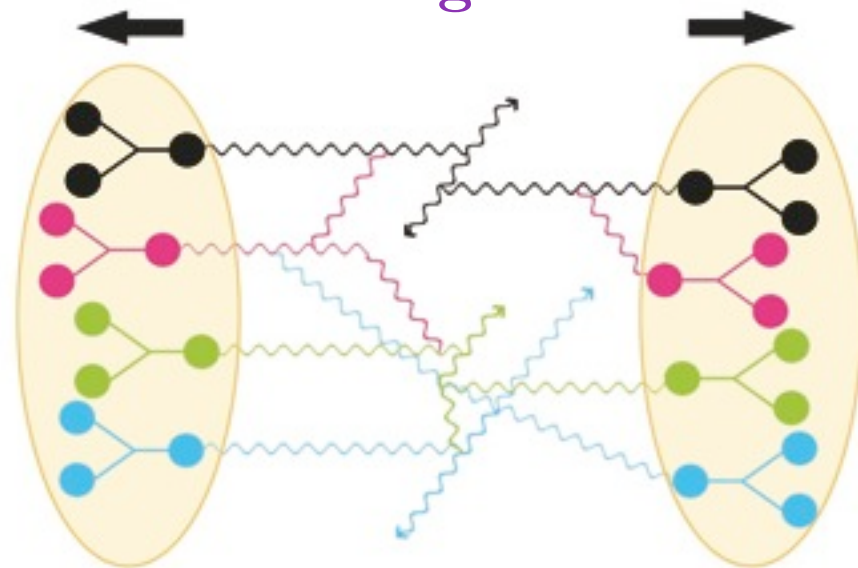
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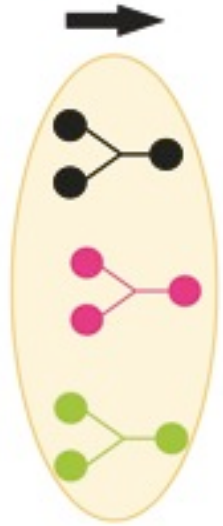
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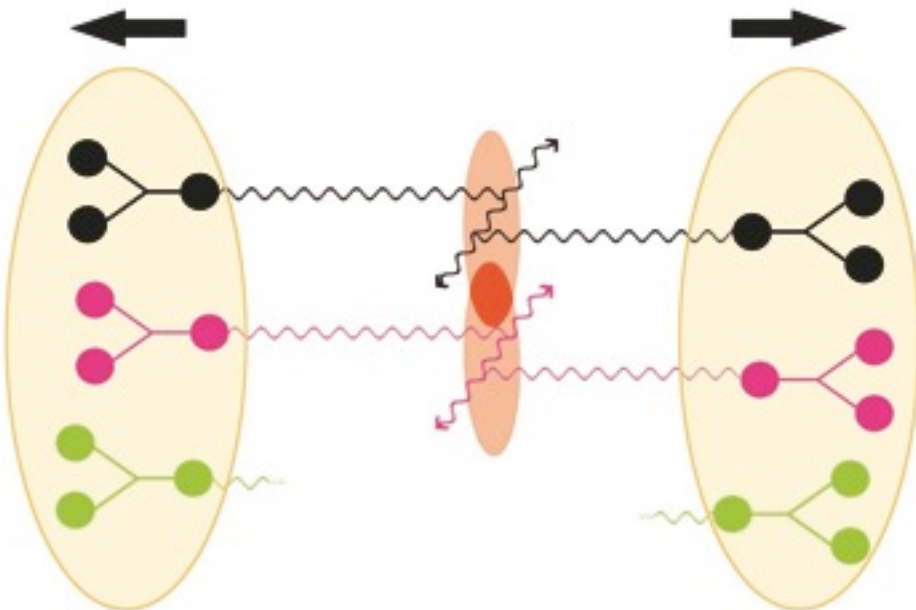
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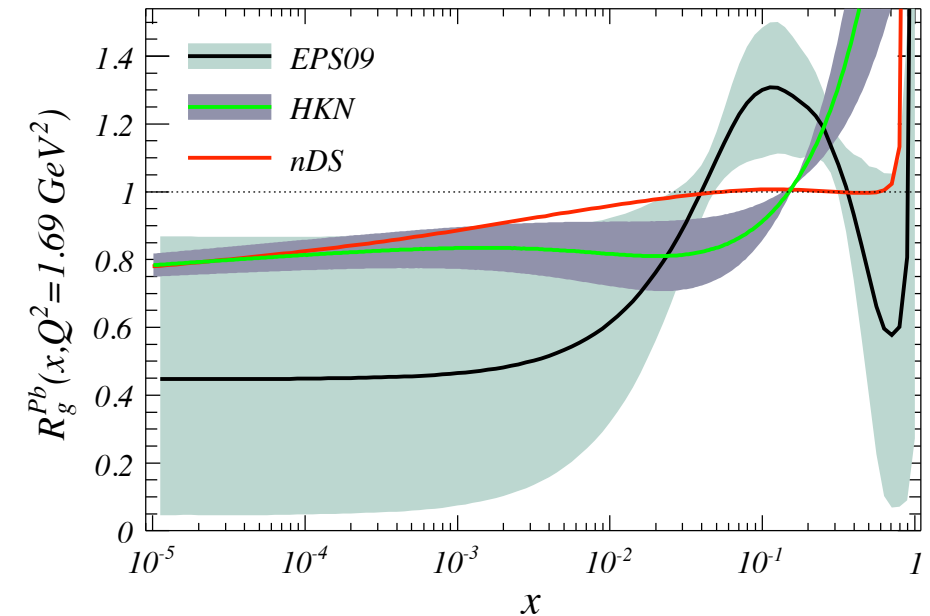


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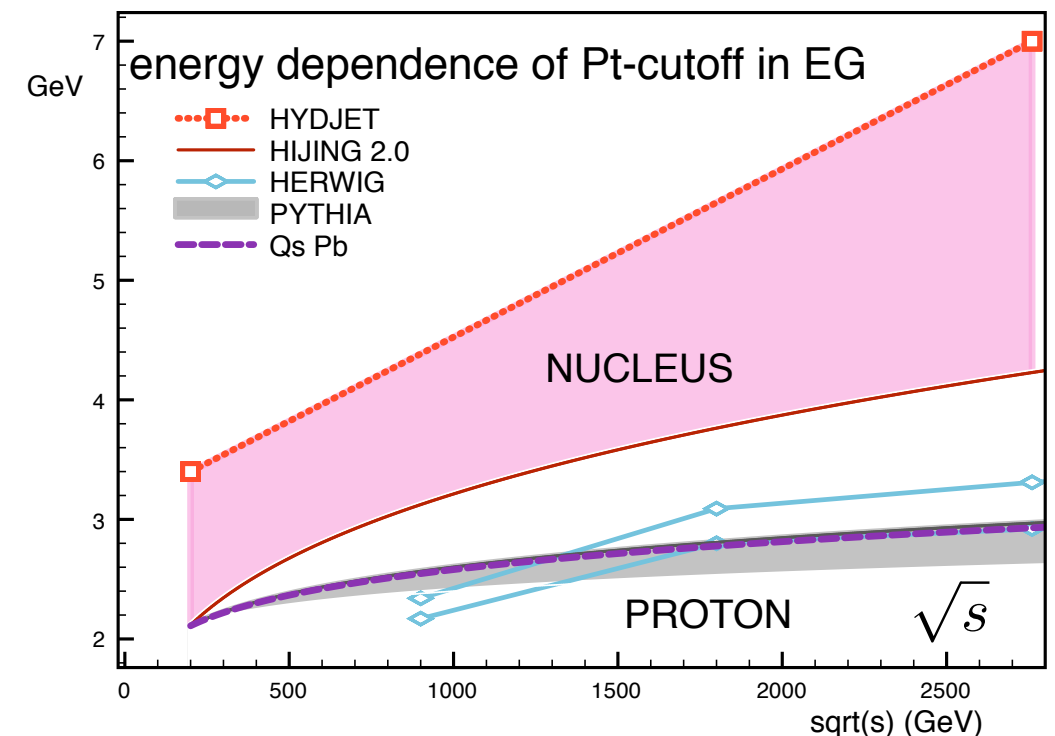


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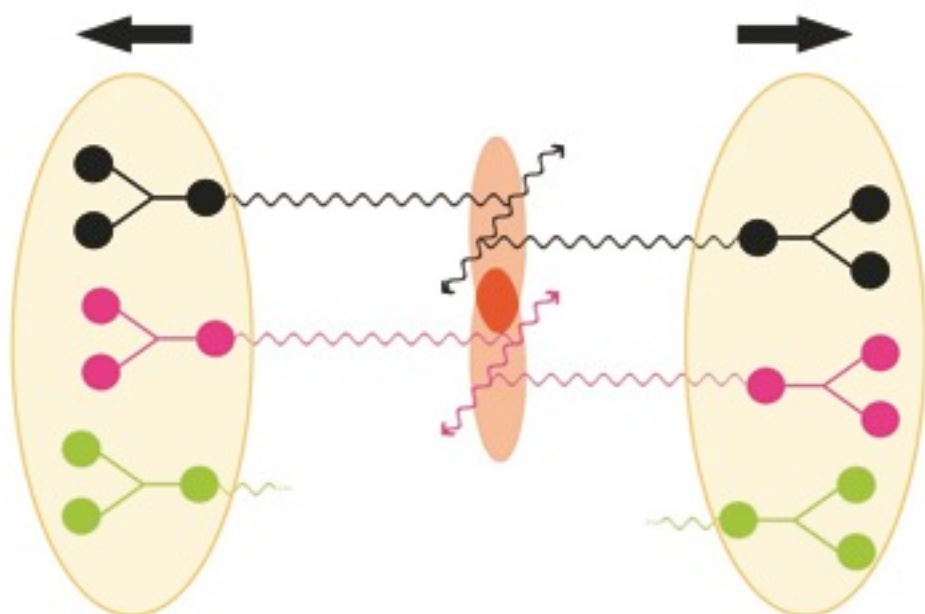
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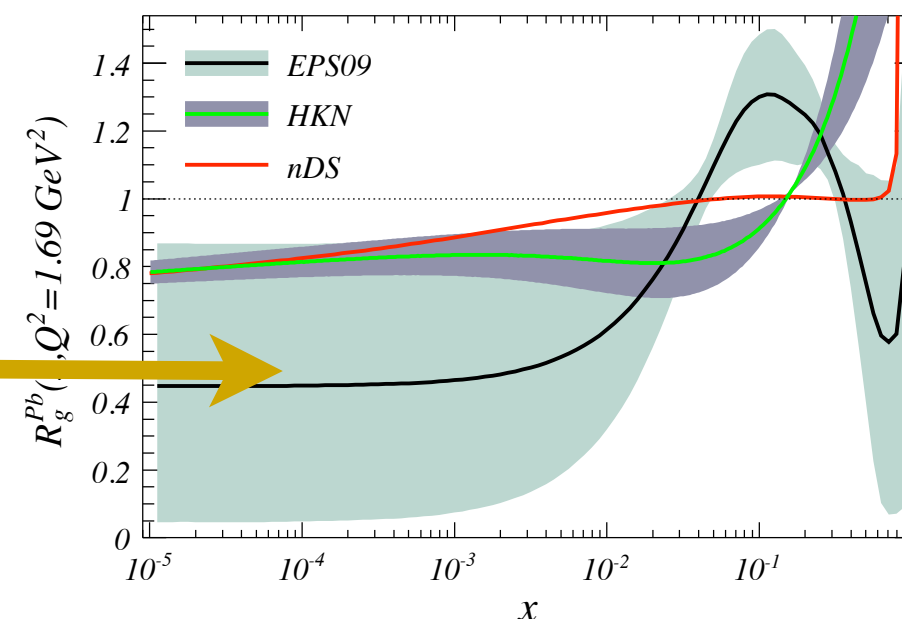
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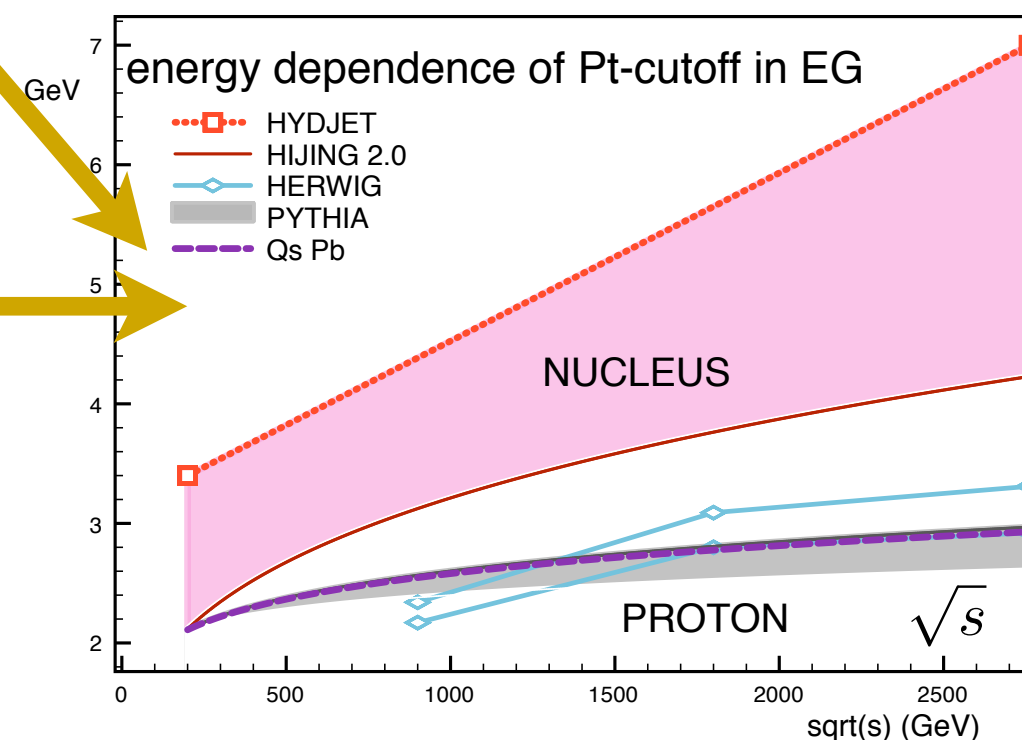


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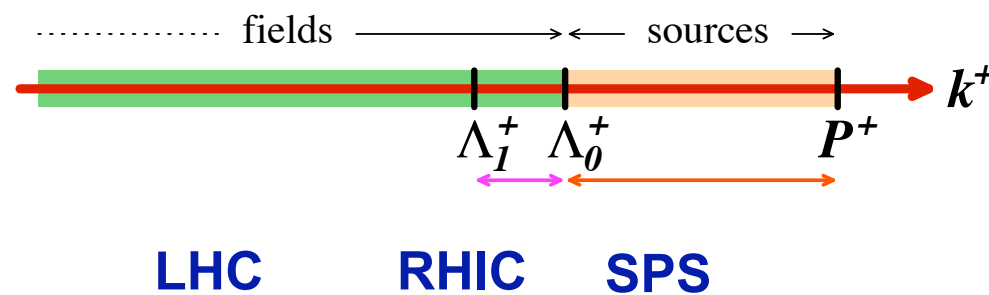
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OUTLINE

- Coherence effects are essential for the description of data in HIC collisions (RHIC, LHC)
- Is the CGC effective theory (**at its present degree of accuracy**) the best suited framework to quantify those coherence phenomena in LHC HI collisions?
- Pros and Cons:
 - Derived from QCD within a controlled approximation -> Theory driven predictive power
 - Systematic unified description of different observables/collision systems
 - Limited degree of applicability: High-(x,Q²) effects not accounted for

small-x d.o.f (dynamical) **valence d.o.f (static)**



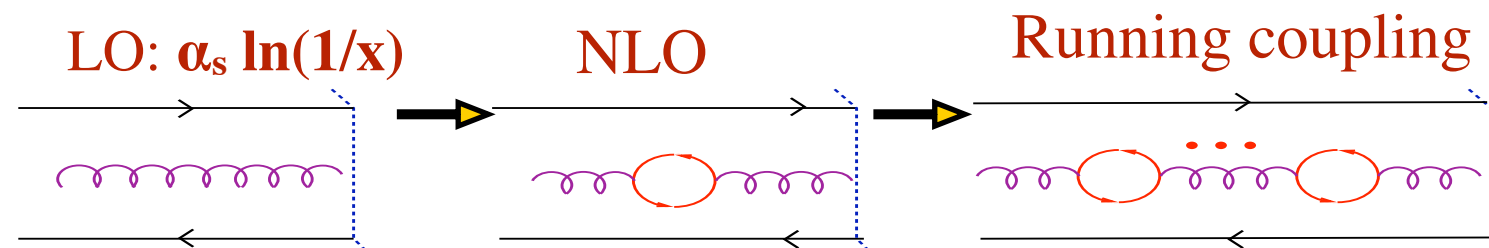
- Can you give us predictions for some observable that would allow to unambiguously distinguish the CGC approach from others?

(brief and incomplete) CGC Theory Status: Entering the NLO era

Evolution Equations: $\frac{\partial \phi(x, k)}{\partial \ln(1/x)} = \mathcal{K} \otimes \phi(x, k) - \phi^2(x, k) \quad \frac{\partial W[\rho]}{\partial Y} = \dots$

- ✓ - Running coupling kernel in BK evolution for the 2-point function Kovchegov Weigert Gardi Balitsky
- ✗ - Full NLO kernel for BK-JIMWLK [Balitsky Chirilli]
- ✗ - Analytic [D. Triantafyllopoulos's talk] and numerical [T. Lappi's talk] solutions of full B-JIMWLK hierarchy for n-point functions

- ...



Production processes $\frac{dN^{AB \rightarrow X}}{d^3p_1 \dots} [\phi(x, k); W_Y[\rho]]$

- ✗ - Running coupling and full NLO corrections to kt-factorization [Kovchegov, Horowitz, Balitsky, Chirilli]
- ✓ - Inelastic terms in the hybrid formalism [Rezaeian's talk]
- ✓ - Hadron-hadron, hadron-photon* correlations [Heikki's talk, Jalilian Marian's talk]
- ✗ - Factorization of multiparticle production processes at NLO [Lappi's talk]
- ✗ - DIS NLO photon impact factors [Chirilli]
- ...

Used in phenomenological works? ✓ Yes ✗ No ✓ A bit :)

(brief and incomplete) CGC Phenomenology Status

Empiric information needed to constrain:

- **Non-perturbative parameters:** initial conditions for BK-JIMWLK evolution, impact parameter
- **K-factors** to account for higher order corrections (effectively also for missing high- (x, Q^2) contributions, energy-conservation corrections etc)

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proton

- **Abundant high quality data at small- x**
- Good simultaneous description of e+p and p+p data
- Global rcBK fits to constrain gluon distribution

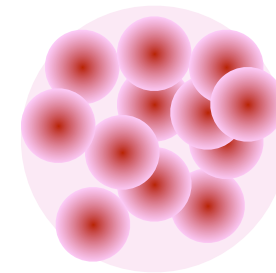


modelling!

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nucleus

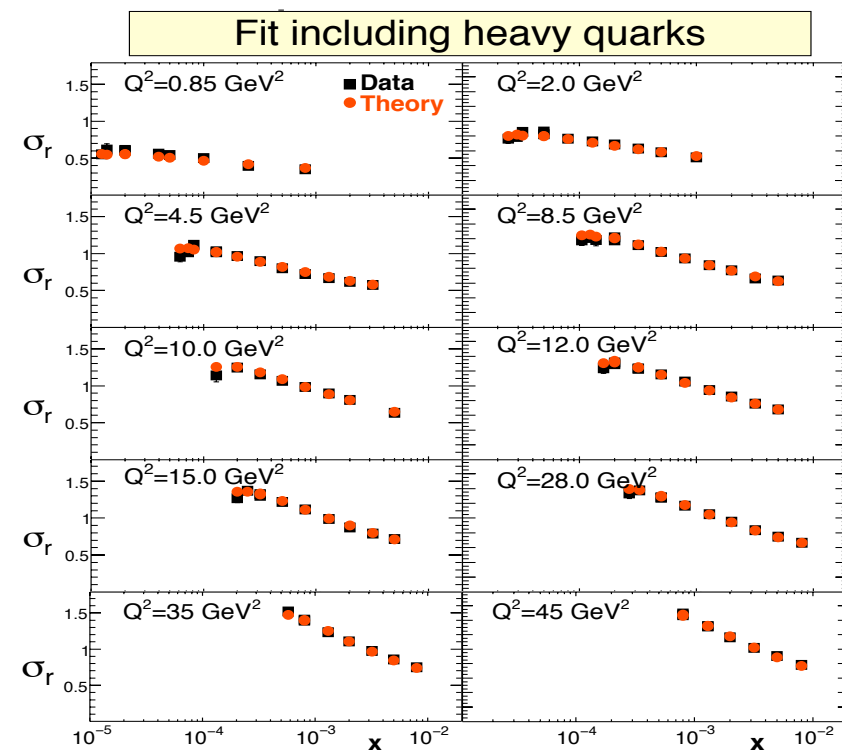
- **Few data at small- x**
- LHC Pb+Pb data and RHIC dAu forward data troublesome (more later)



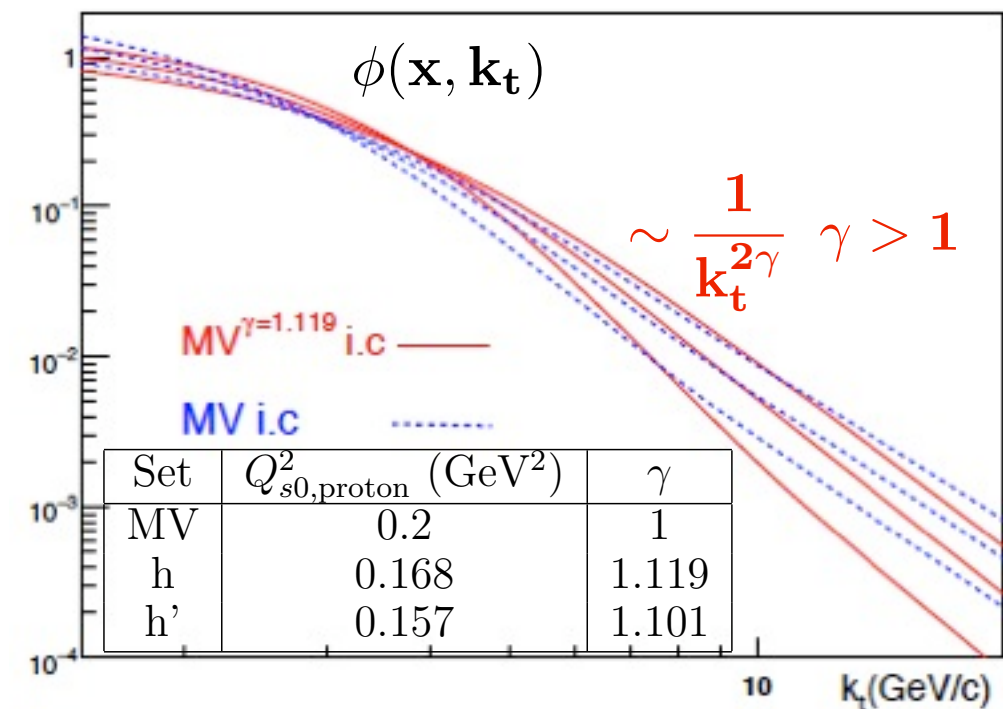
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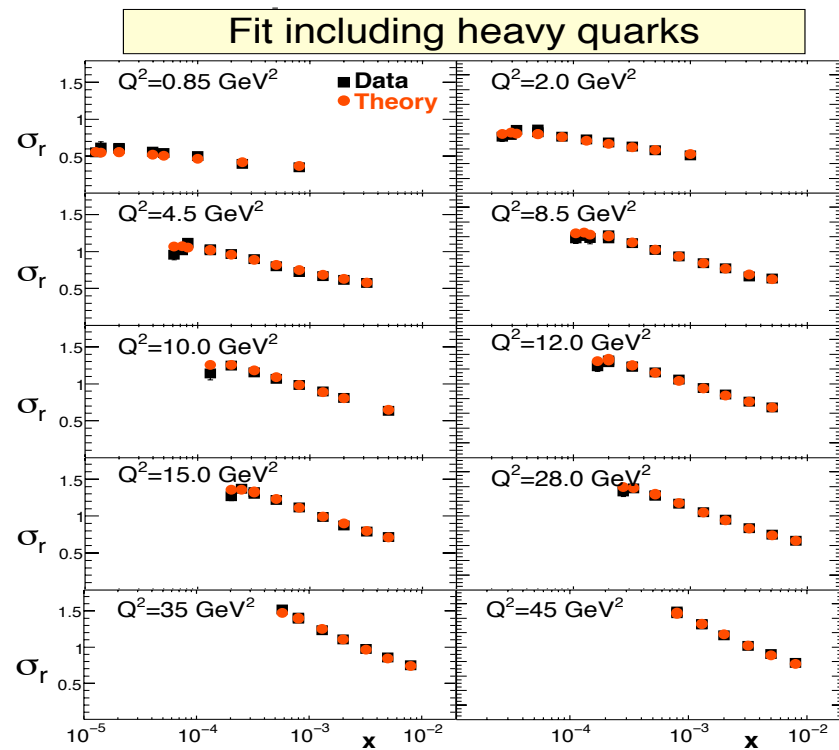
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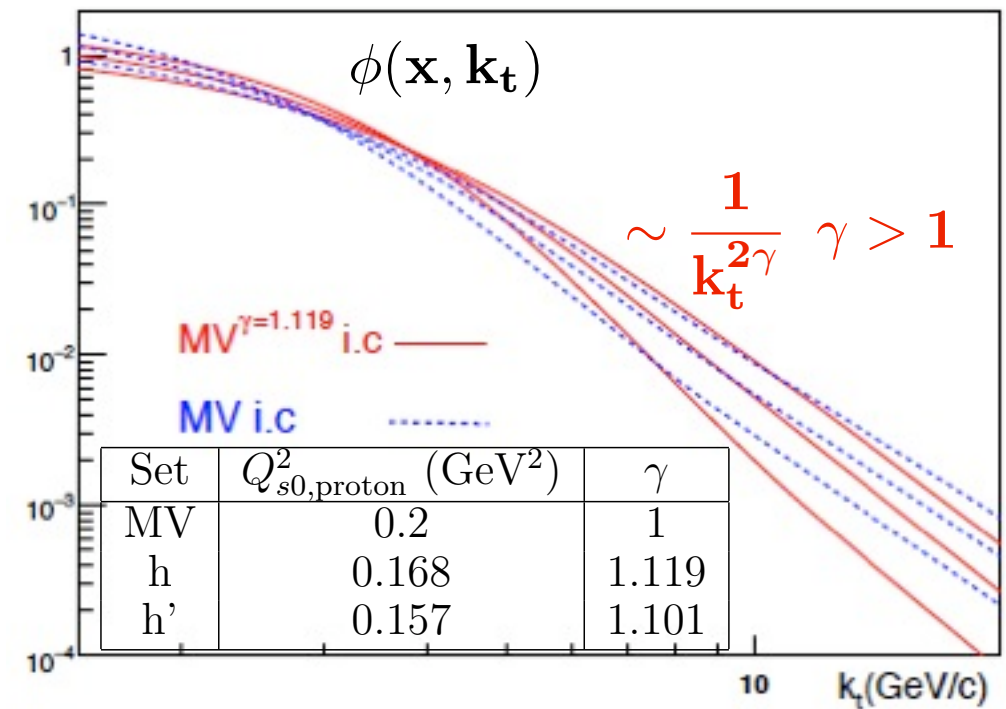
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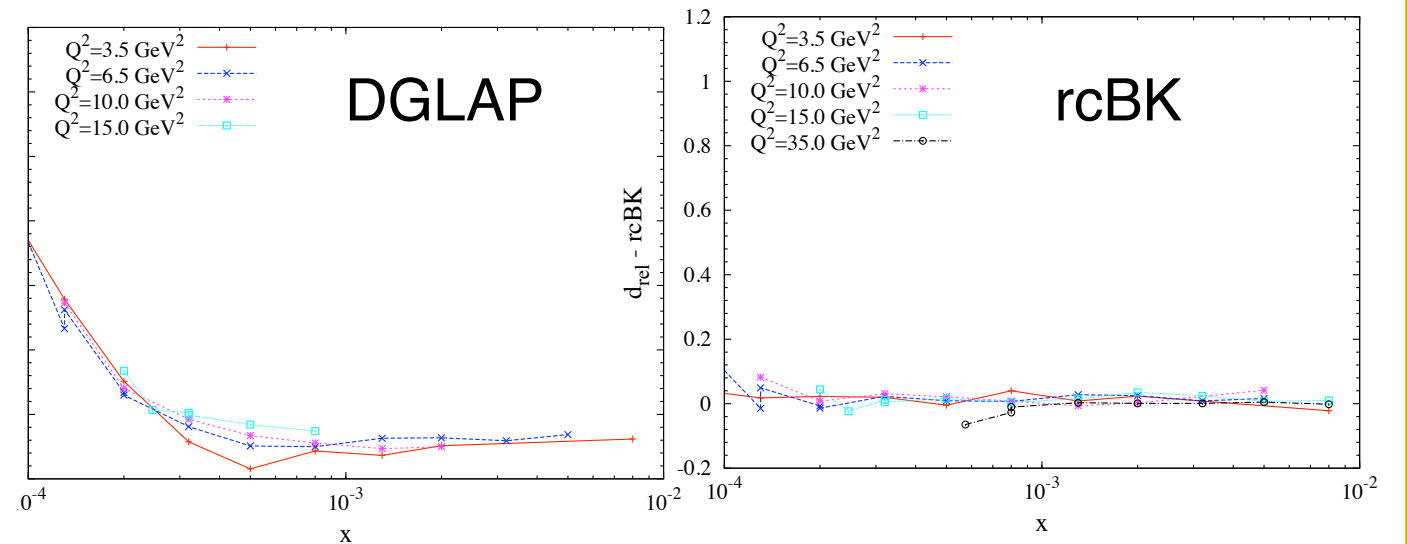
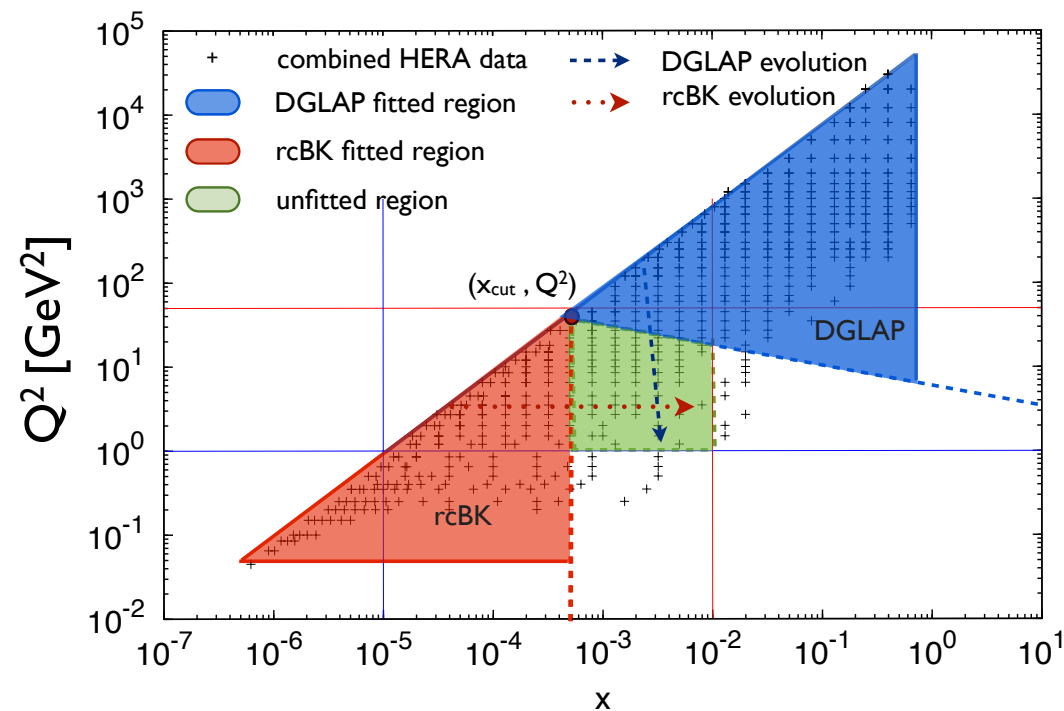
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3. Run consistency and stability checks

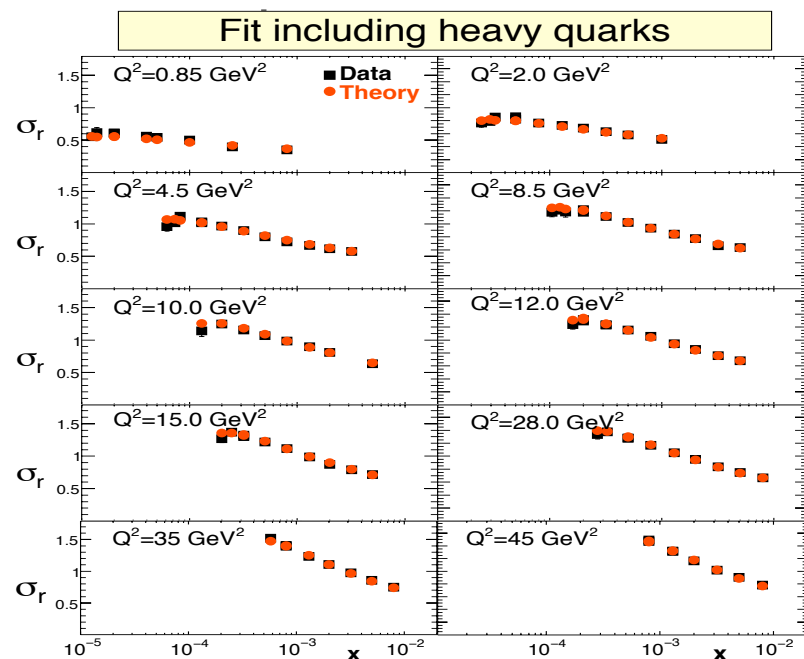


rcBK fits more stable than DGLAP fits at small-x

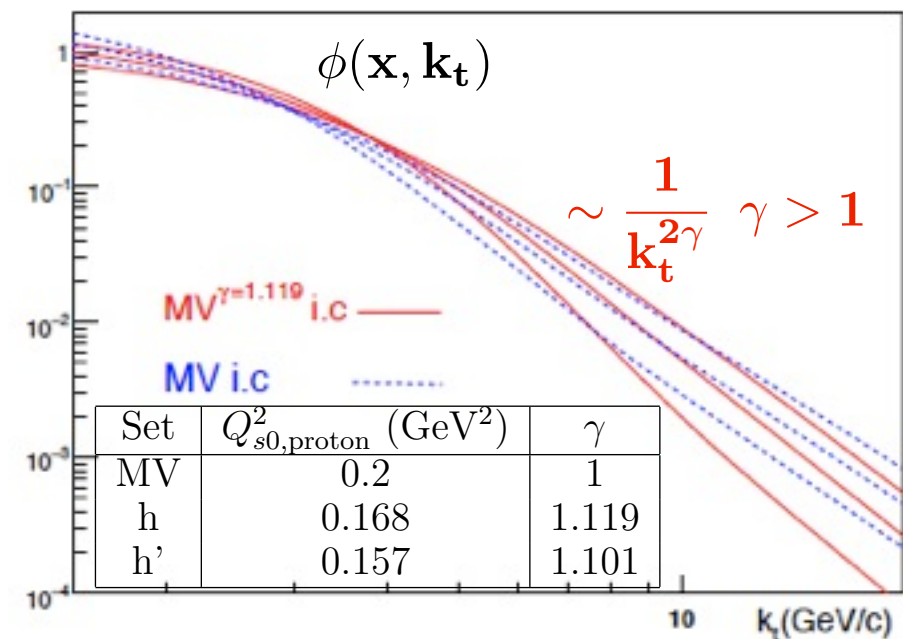
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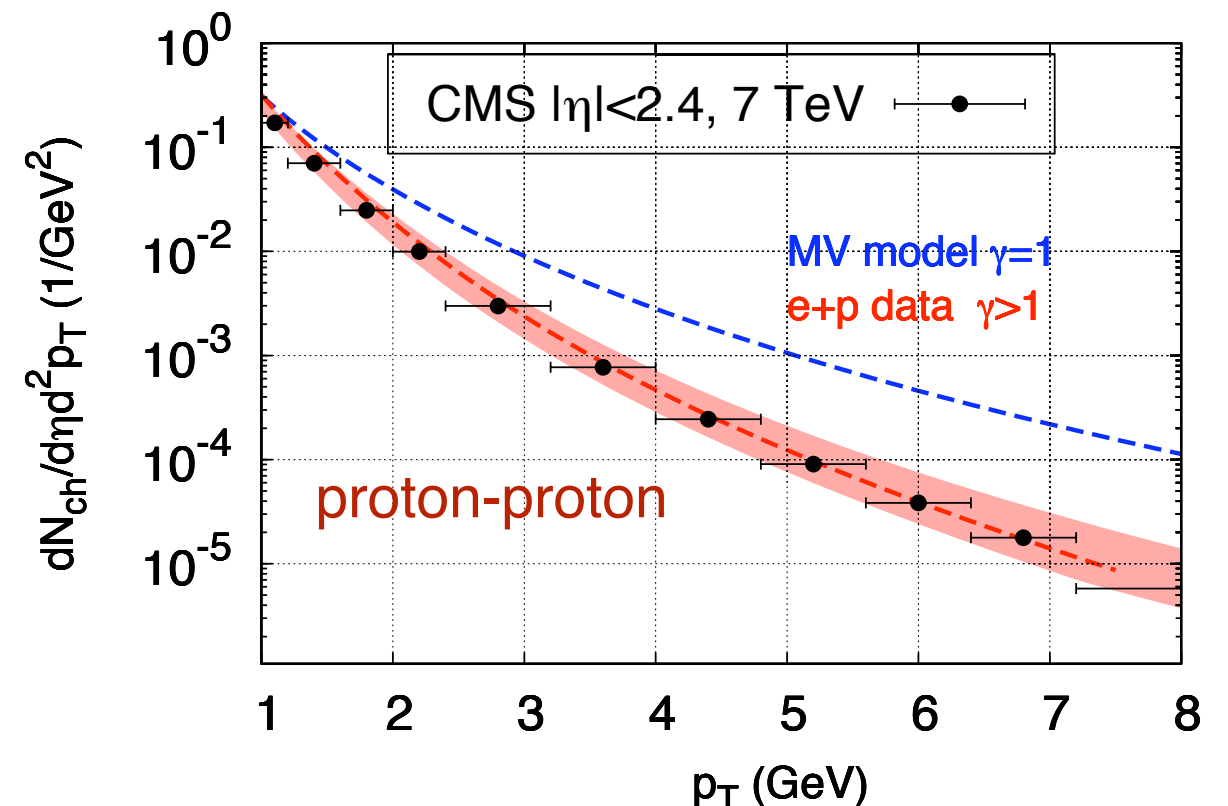
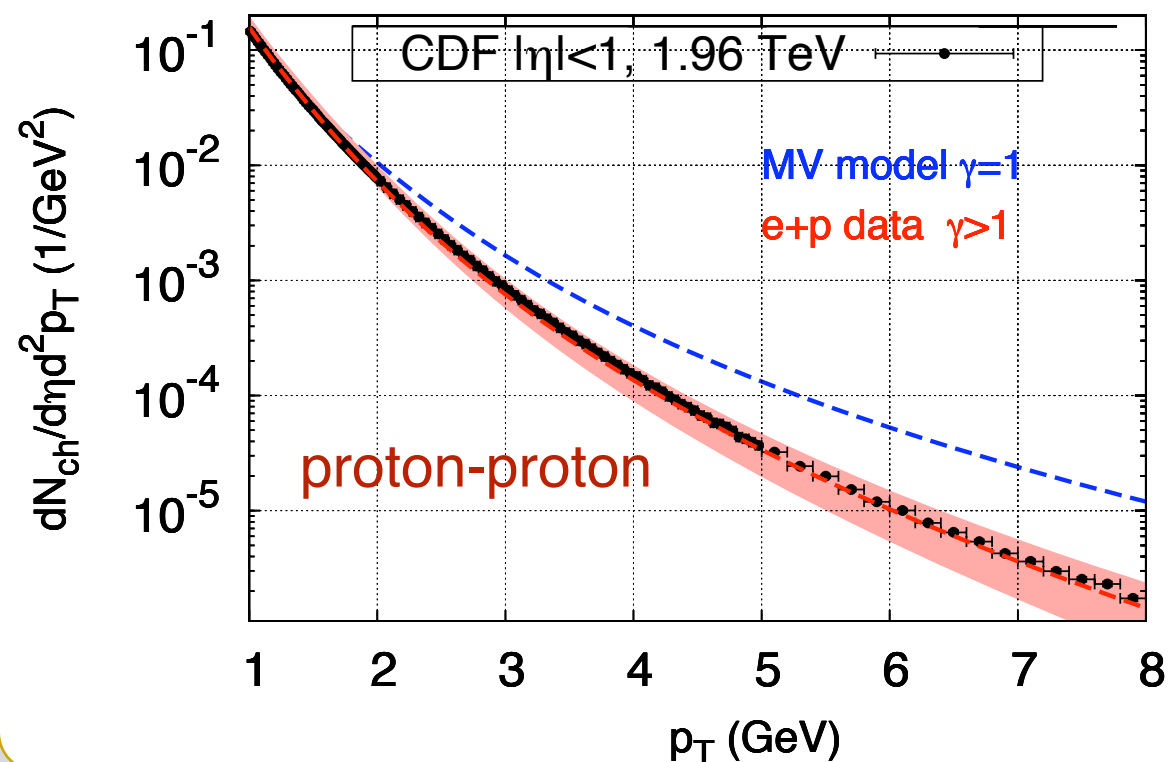


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4. Apply gained knowledge in the study of other systems (theory driven extrapolation)

LO kt-factorization: $\frac{dN^g}{d\eta d^2p_t} \sim \mathbf{K} \alpha_s(Q_r^2) \phi(x_1, k_t) \otimes \phi(x_2, k_t - p_t) \otimes \mathbf{FF}(Q_f^2)$

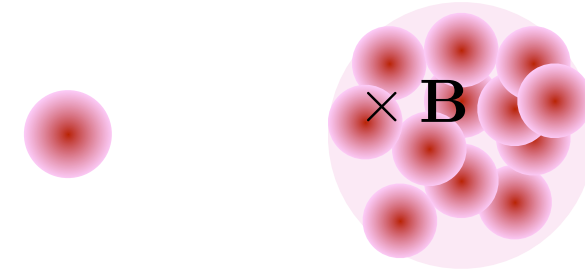


Nuclear ugd's and nuclear modification factors

Setting up the evolution

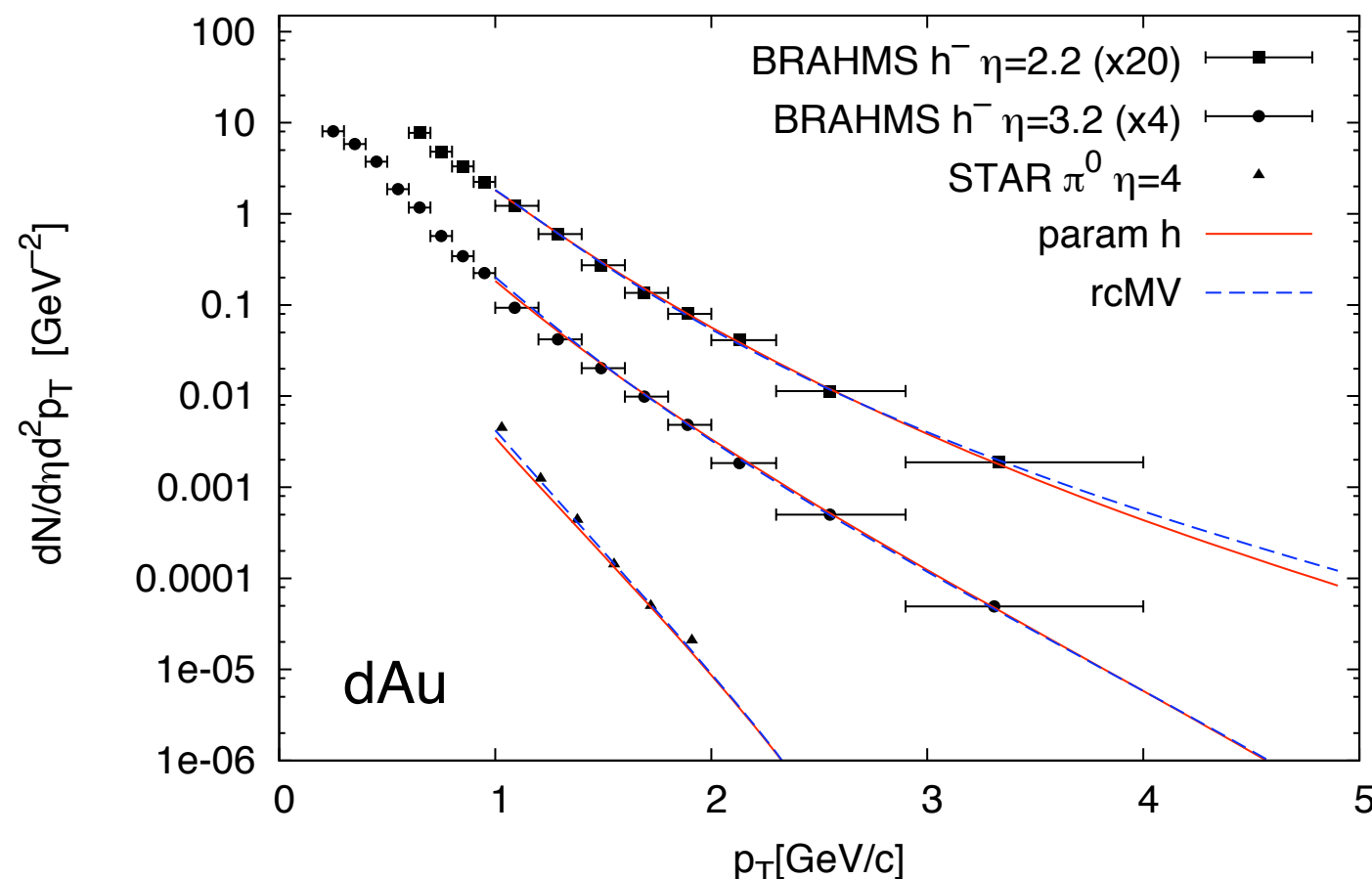
$$\phi^{\text{Pb}}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{k}_t, \mathbf{B}) = \phi^{\text{P}}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{k}_t; \{Q_{s0,p}^2 \rightarrow Q_{s0,\text{Pb}}^2(\mathbf{B}); \gamma\})$$

$$\phi^{\text{Pb}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}_t, \mathbf{B}) = \text{rcBK}[\phi^{\text{Pb}}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{k}_t, \mathbf{B})]$$



- RHIC forward data does not constraint the NP parameters for the initial condition
- Other approaches based on high-x energy loss effects also account for data
- Rapidity dependent K-factors

Fujii-Itakura-Nara



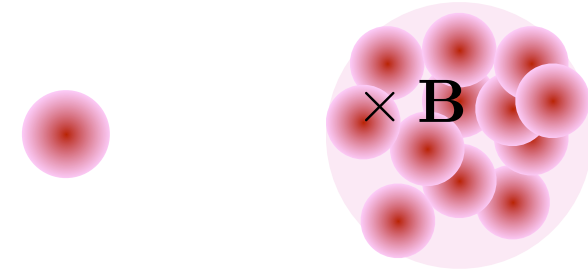
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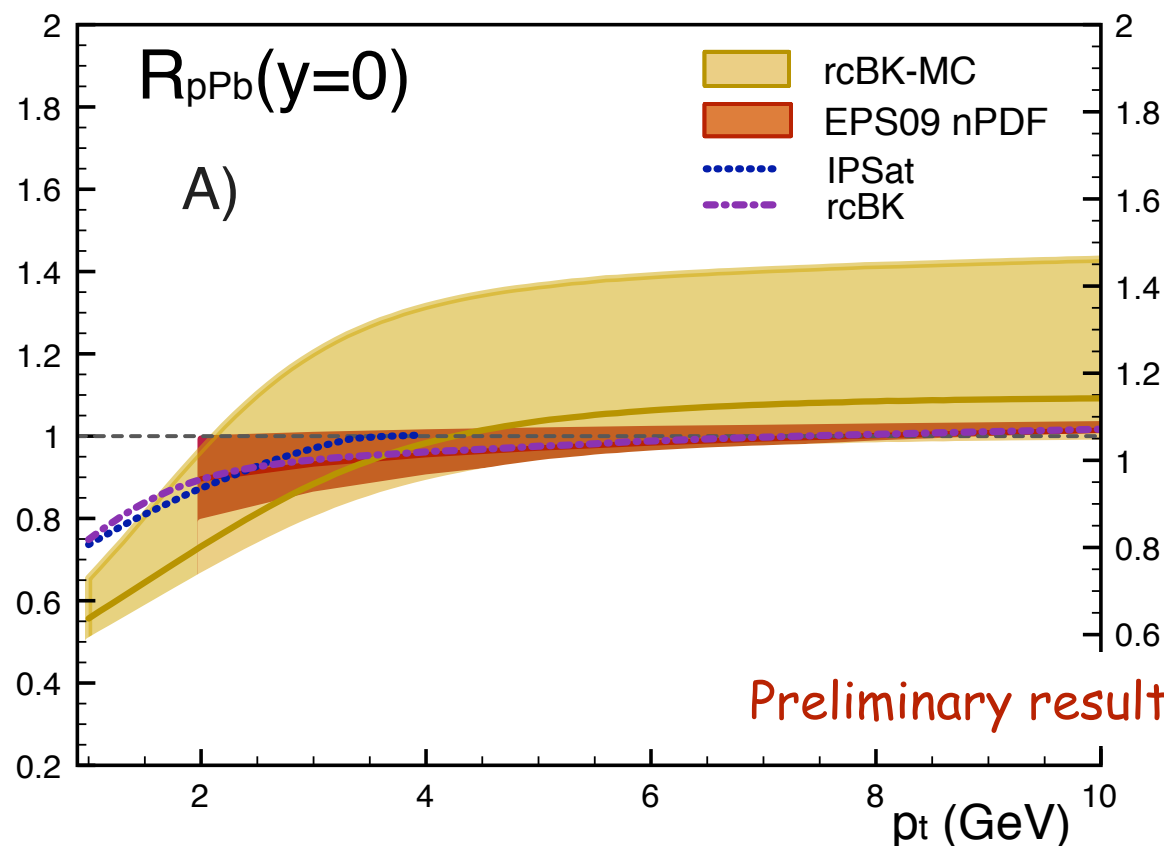
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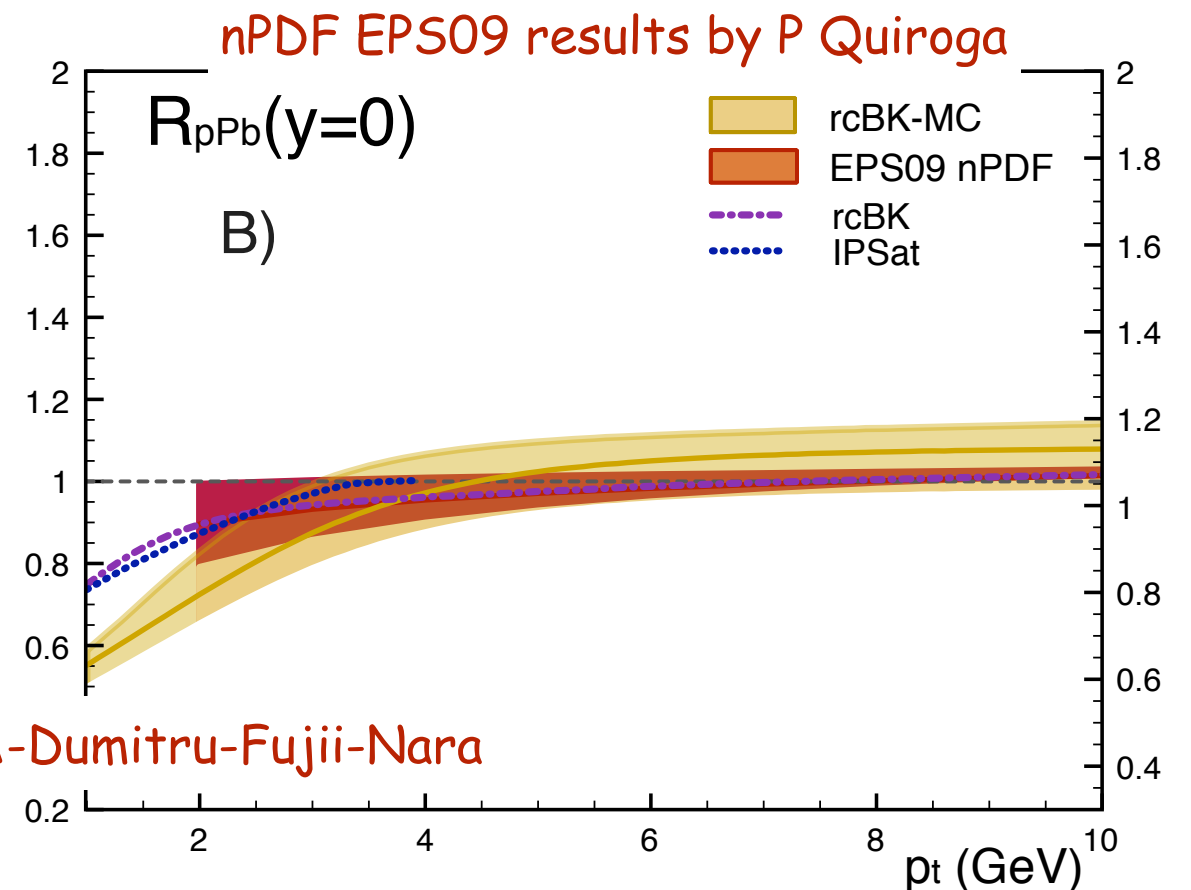
A) Most “natural” option: $Q_{s0,\text{Pb}}^2(\mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{T}_A(\mathbf{B}) Q_{s0,p}^2$ $\gamma^{\text{Pb}} = \gamma^{\text{P}} (> 1)$

PROBLEM: yields $R_{\text{pPb}} > 1$ at high transverse momentum

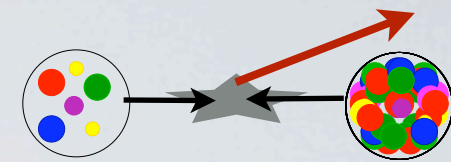
B) Possible solution $Q_{s0,\text{Pb}}^2(\mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{T}_A(\mathbf{B})^{1/\gamma} Q_{s0,p}^2$ and/or $\gamma^{\text{Pb}} = 1(\text{MV}) + \frac{\#}{\Lambda^2/2}$



Preliminary results. JLA-Dumitru-Fujii-Nara



Moving forward



$(p_t, y_h \gg 0)$

Yet another issue: Where to switch from kt-factorization to hybrid formalism? $x_{1(2)} \sim \frac{m_t}{\sqrt{s}} \exp(\pm y_h)$

Midrapidity: kt-factorization:

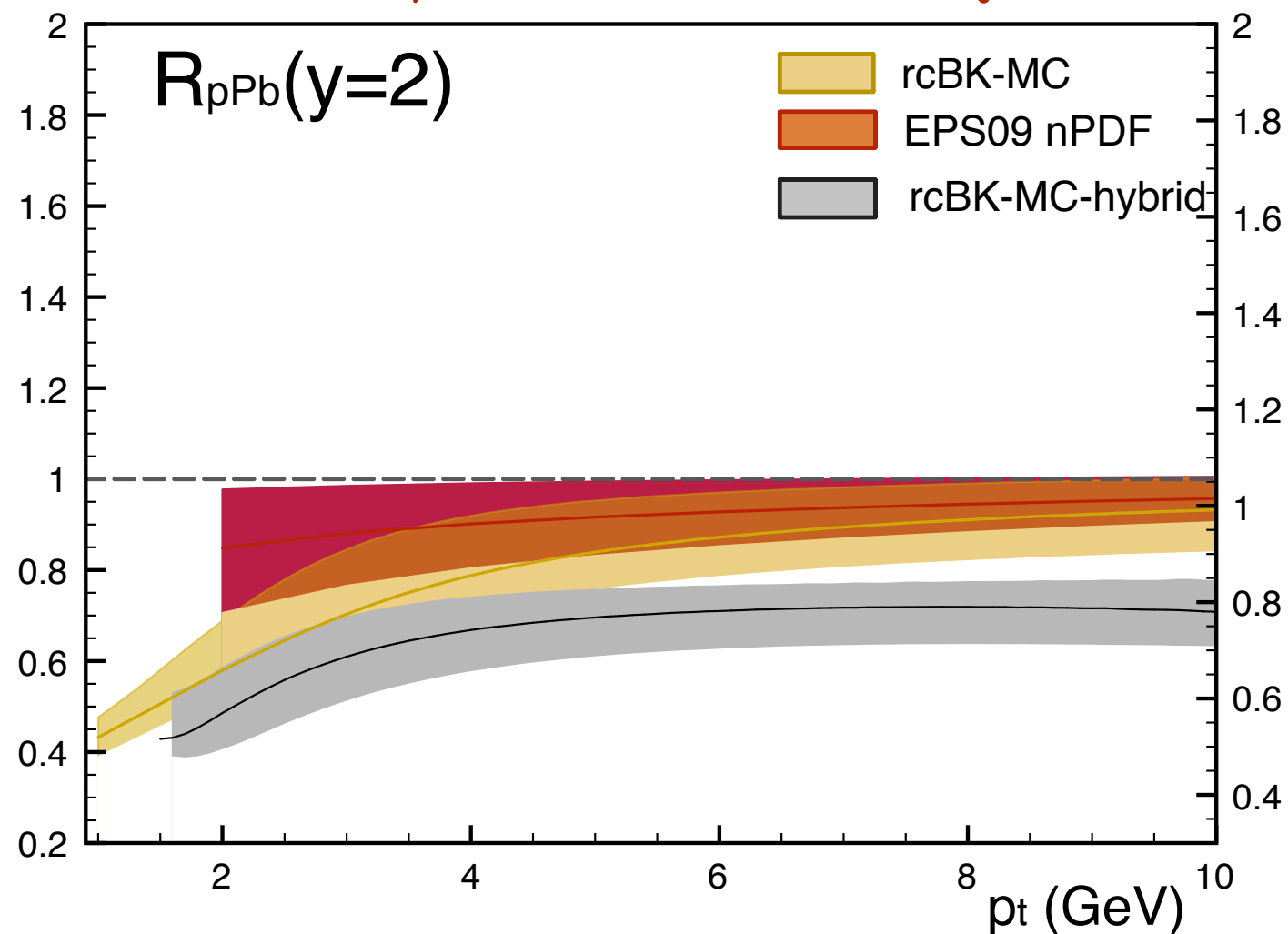
$$\frac{dN^g}{d\eta d^2p_t} \sim \phi^P(\mathbf{x}_1) \otimes \phi^{Pb}(\mathbf{x}_2)$$

Forward rapidity: hybrid formalism

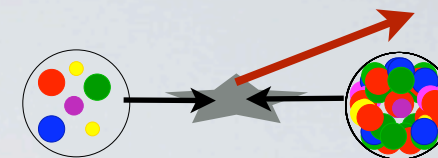
$$\frac{dN}{d\eta d^2p_t} \sim \text{pdf}^P(\mathbf{x}_1) \otimes \phi^{Pb}(\mathbf{x}_2)$$

nPDF EPS09 results by P Quiroga

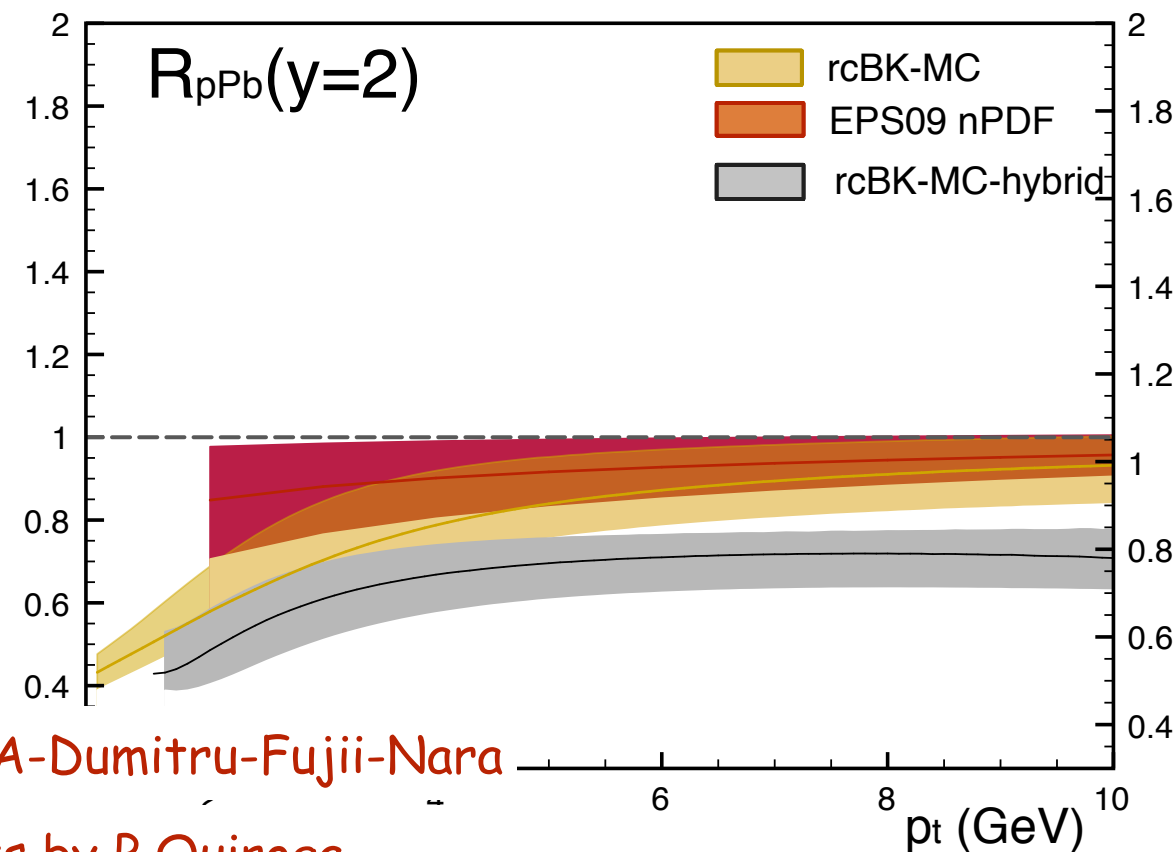
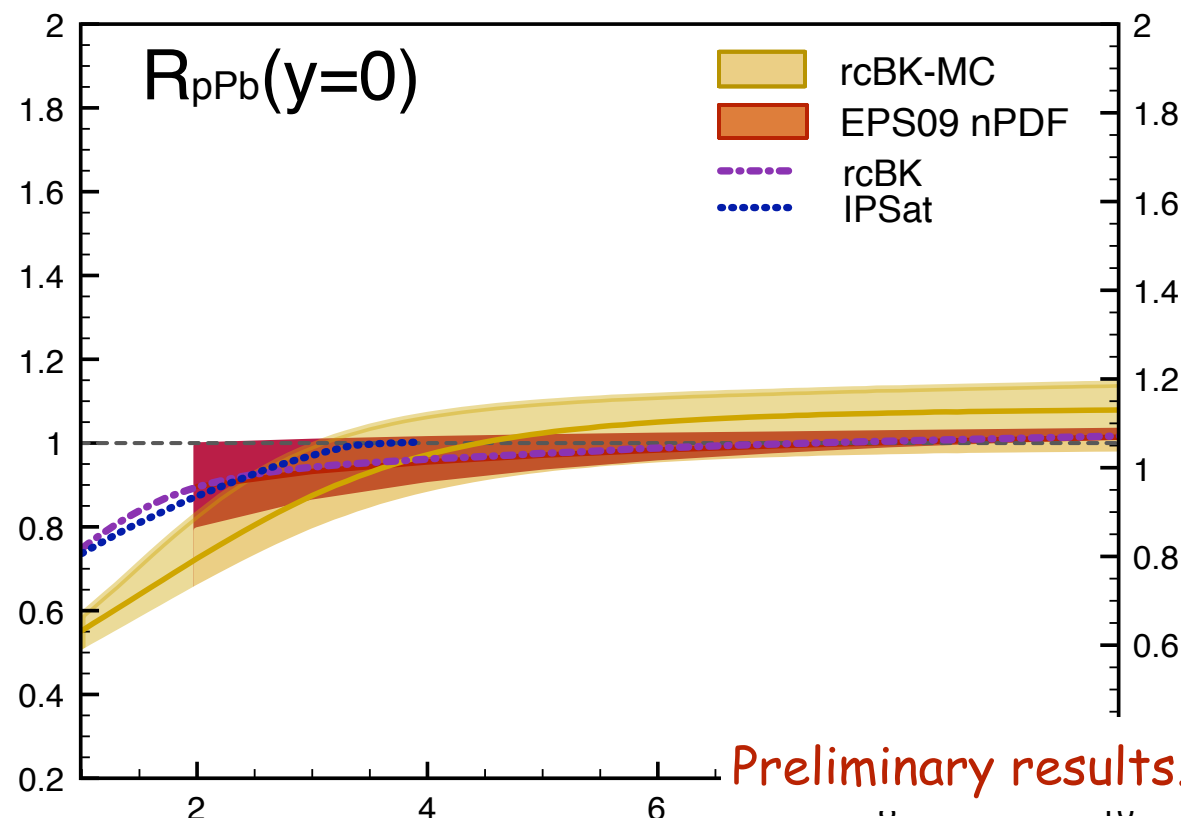
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Moving forward: Testing the evolution

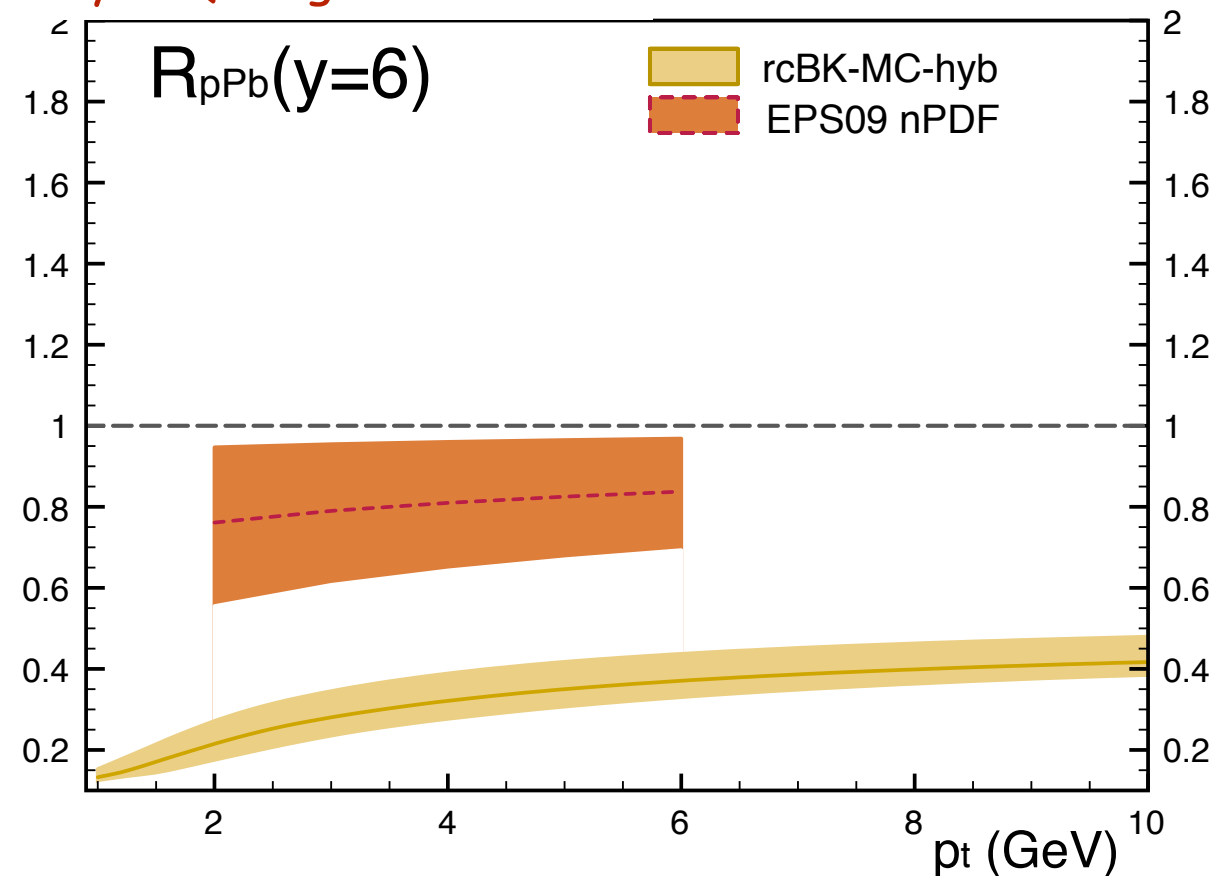
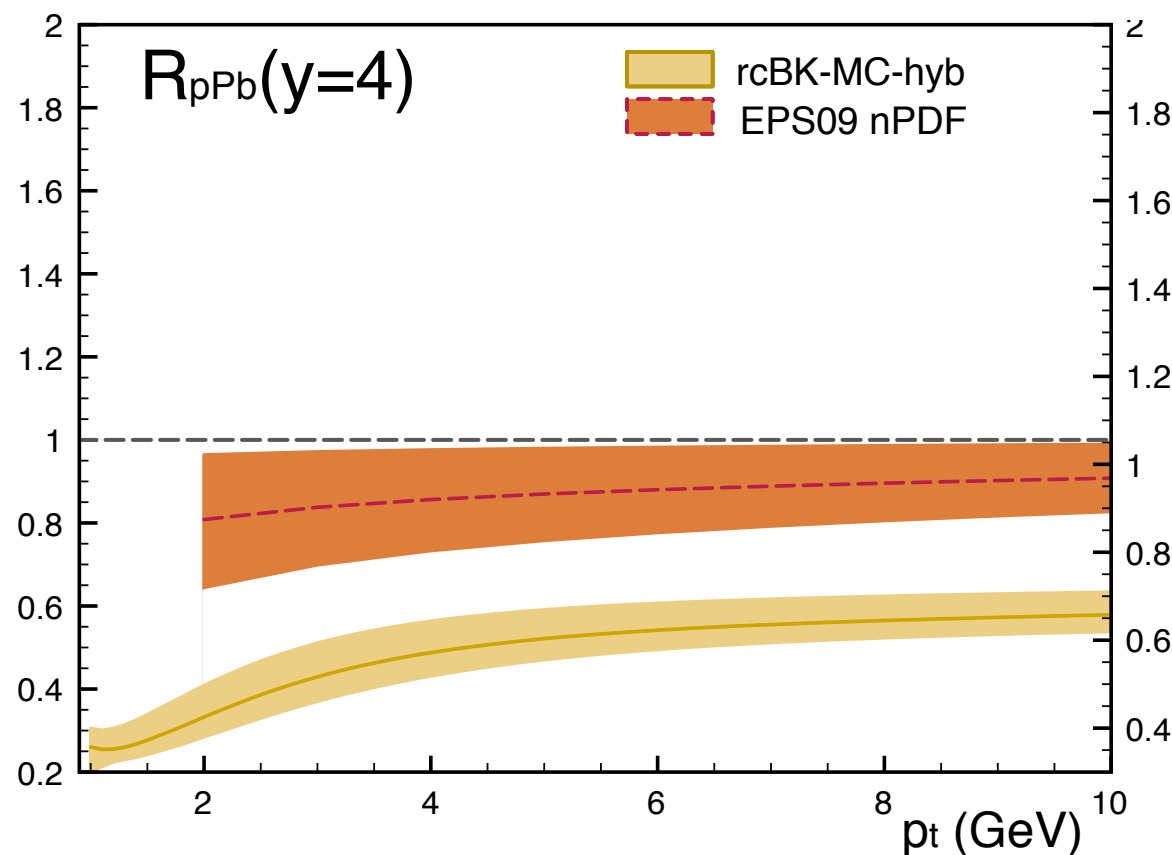


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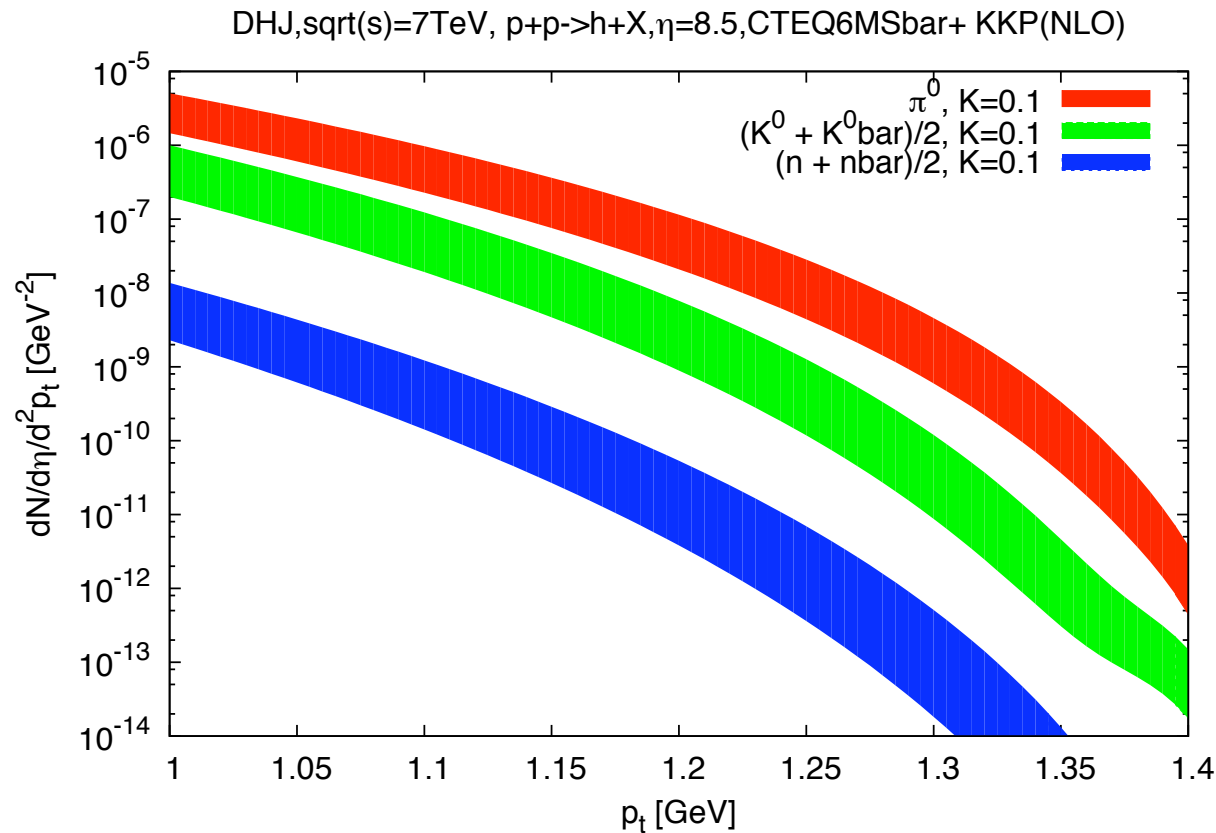
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Moving even forward: LHCf (?)

At large rapidities (very small- x) the sensitivity to i.c is reduced (scaling regime)

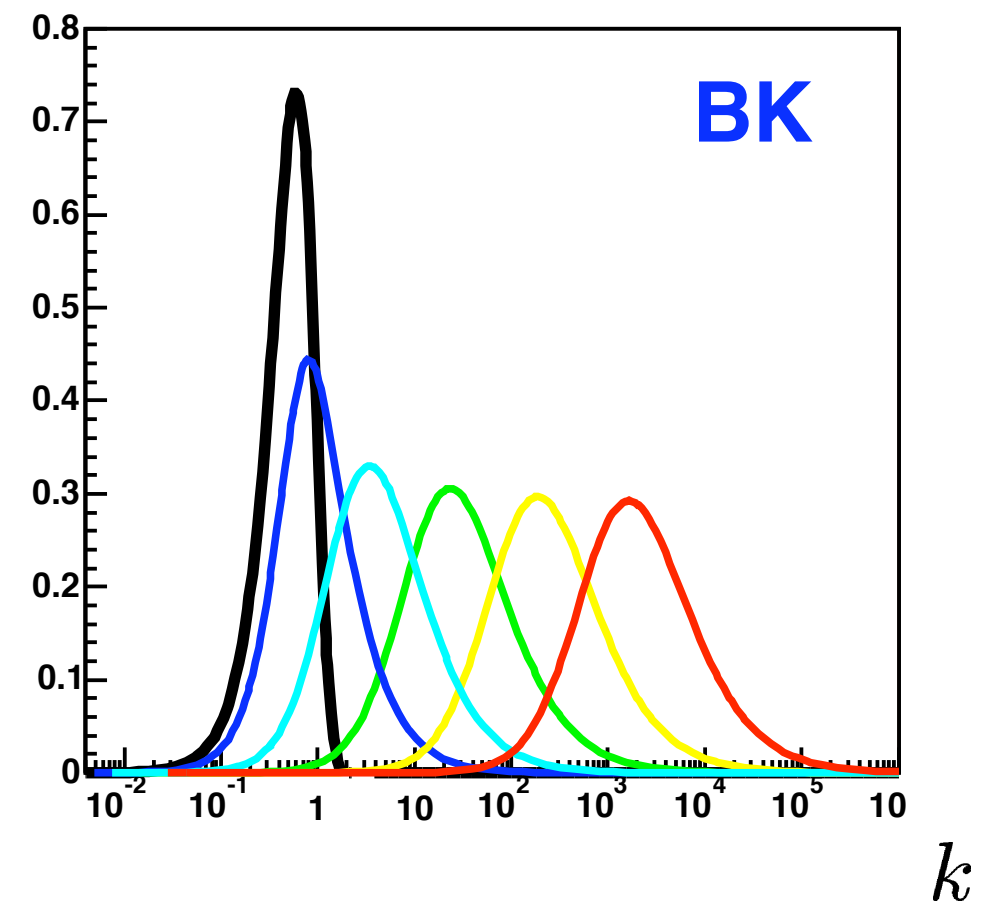


Hadron production (π^0 K^0 and n) at $\eta = 8.5$ is being studied in this framework

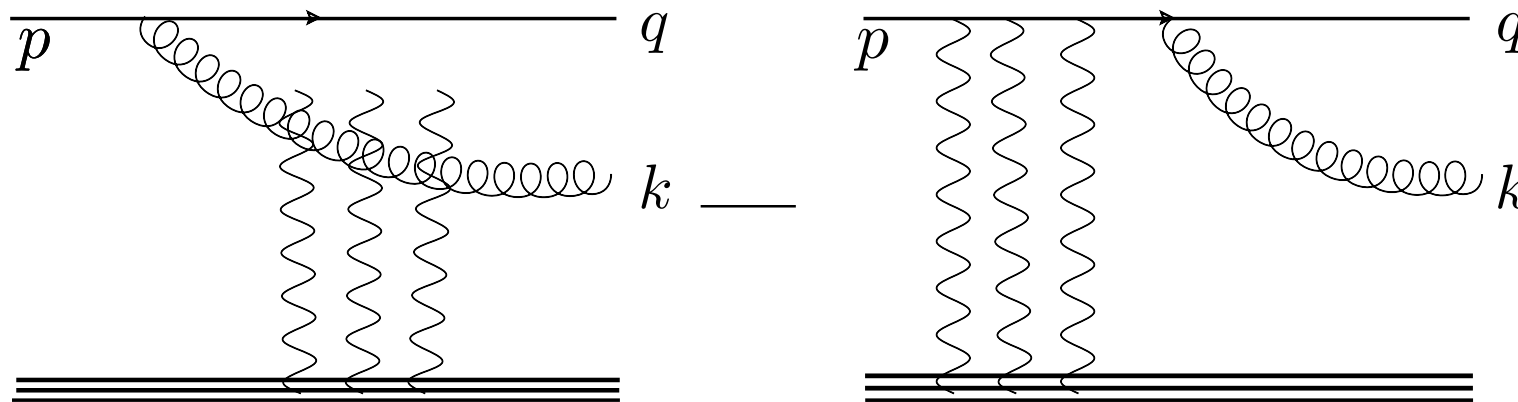
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RpPb should approach its **universal limit** at very forward rapidities. Scaling properties generated by evolution should be clearly visible in this region

$$\varphi(x, k_t, b) \rightarrow \varphi(k_t/Q_s(x, b))$$



CGC description: A quark (gluon) emits a gluon. The pair scatters off the target

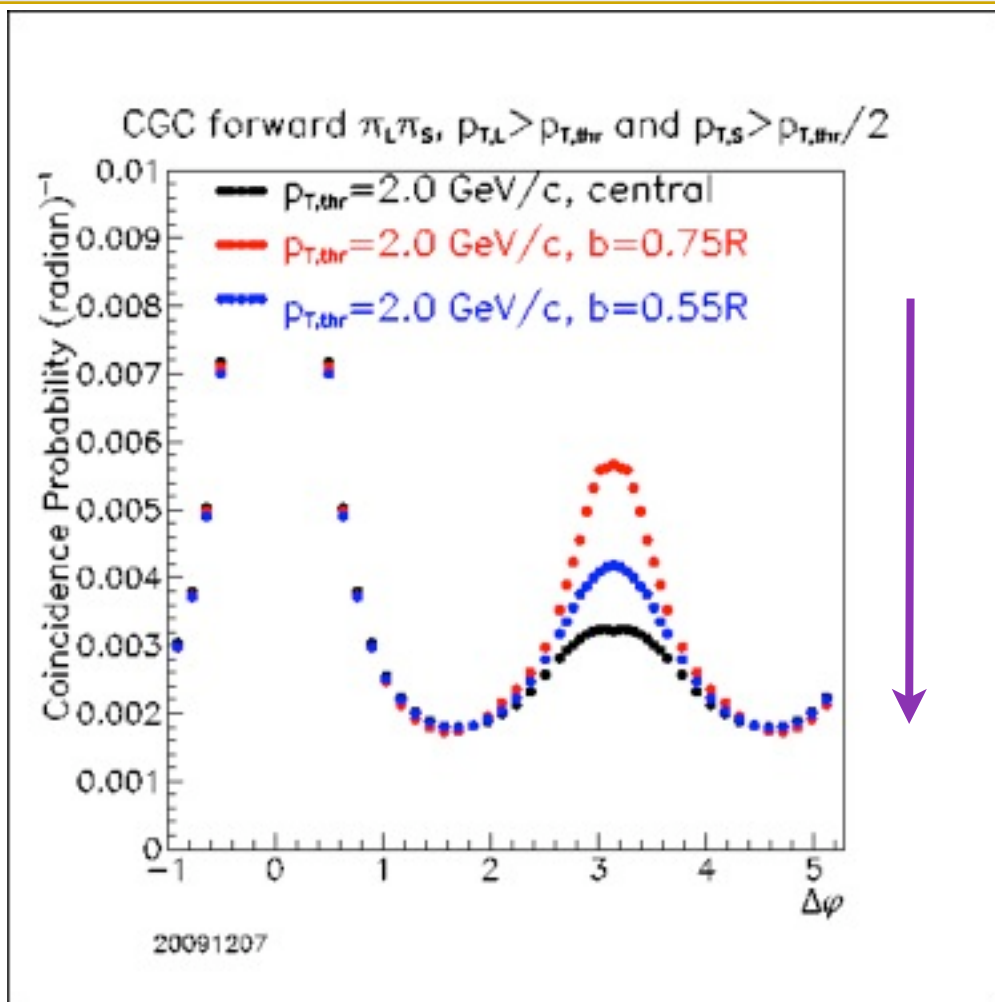


$$x_p = \frac{|k_1|e^{y_1} + |k_2|e^{y_2}}{\sqrt{s}}$$

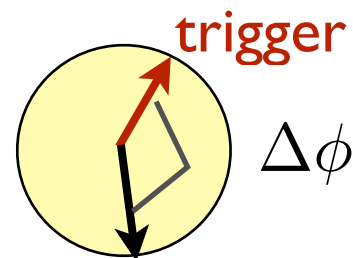
$$x_A = \frac{|k_1|e^{-y_1} + |k_2|e^{-y_2}}{\sqrt{s}}$$

At small-x, the transverse momentum transfer is controlled by the saturation scale

Angular decorrelation happens if $Q_s^{\text{Pb}}(\mathbf{x}_A) \sim (\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2)$



→ Coincidence probability



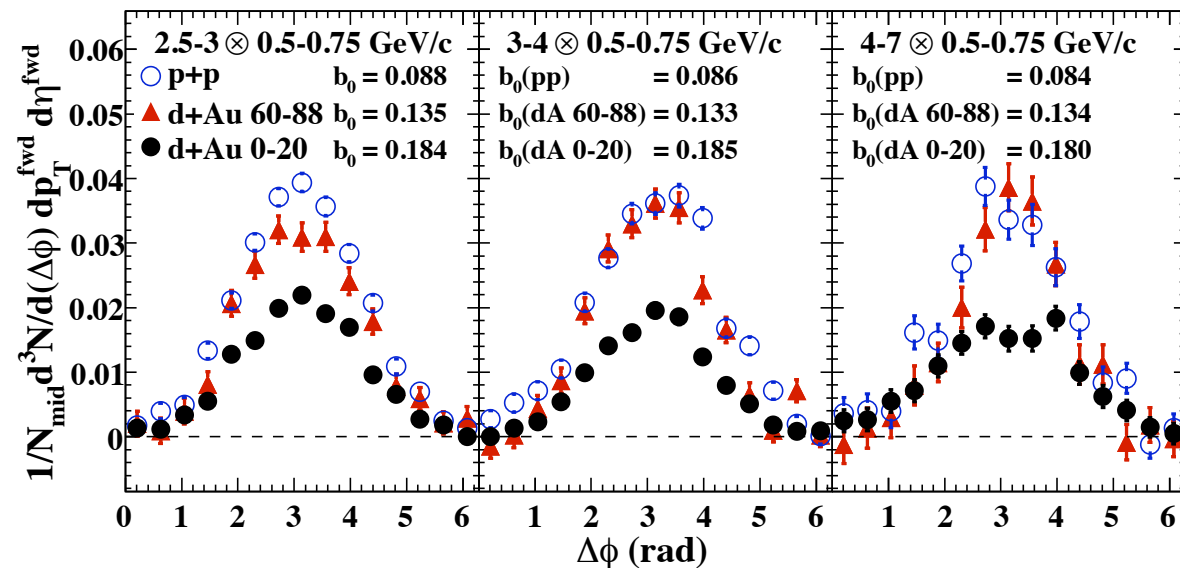
$$CP(\Delta\phi) = \frac{1}{N_{trig}} \frac{dN_{pair}}{d\Delta\phi}$$

Ergo, decorrelation should be stronger with

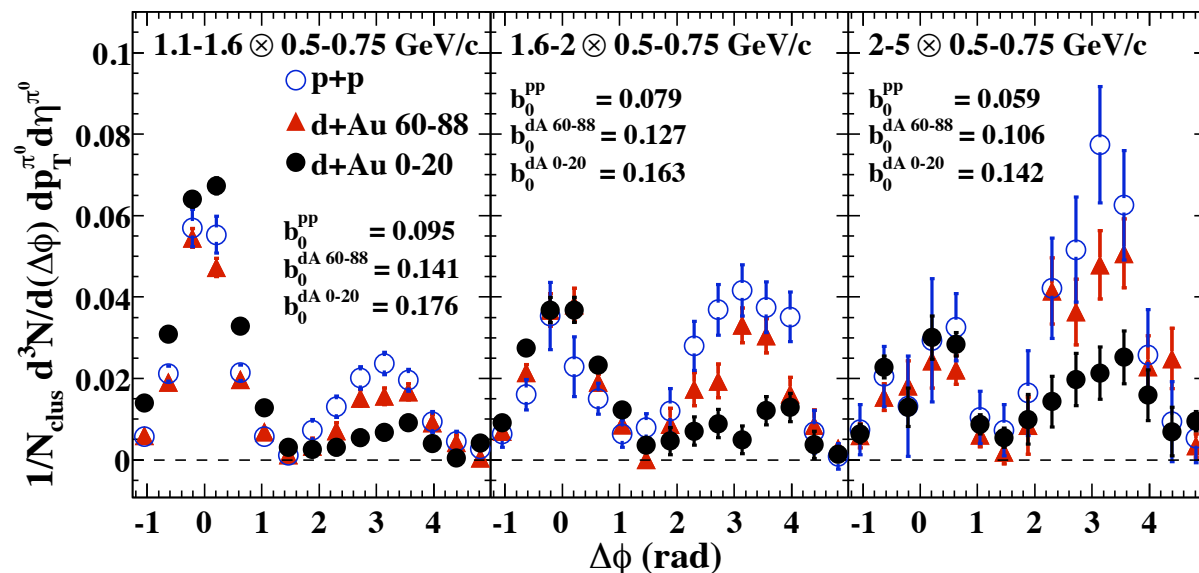
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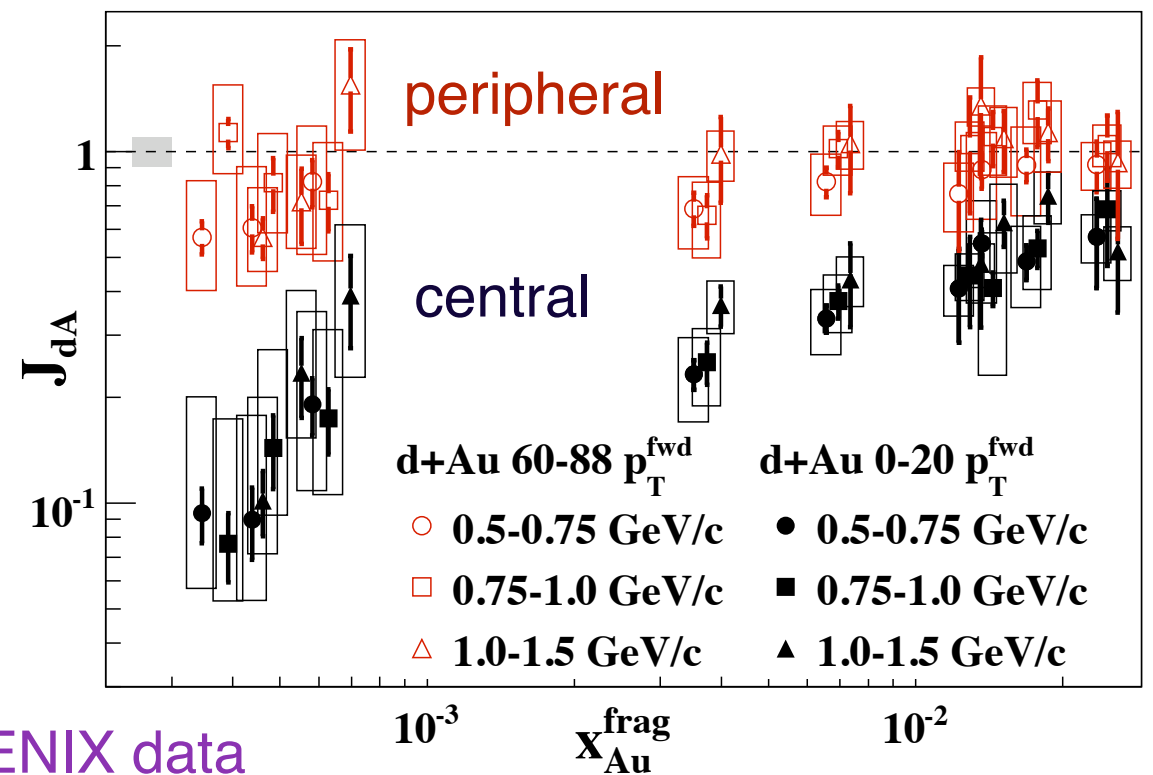
central-forward



forward-forward



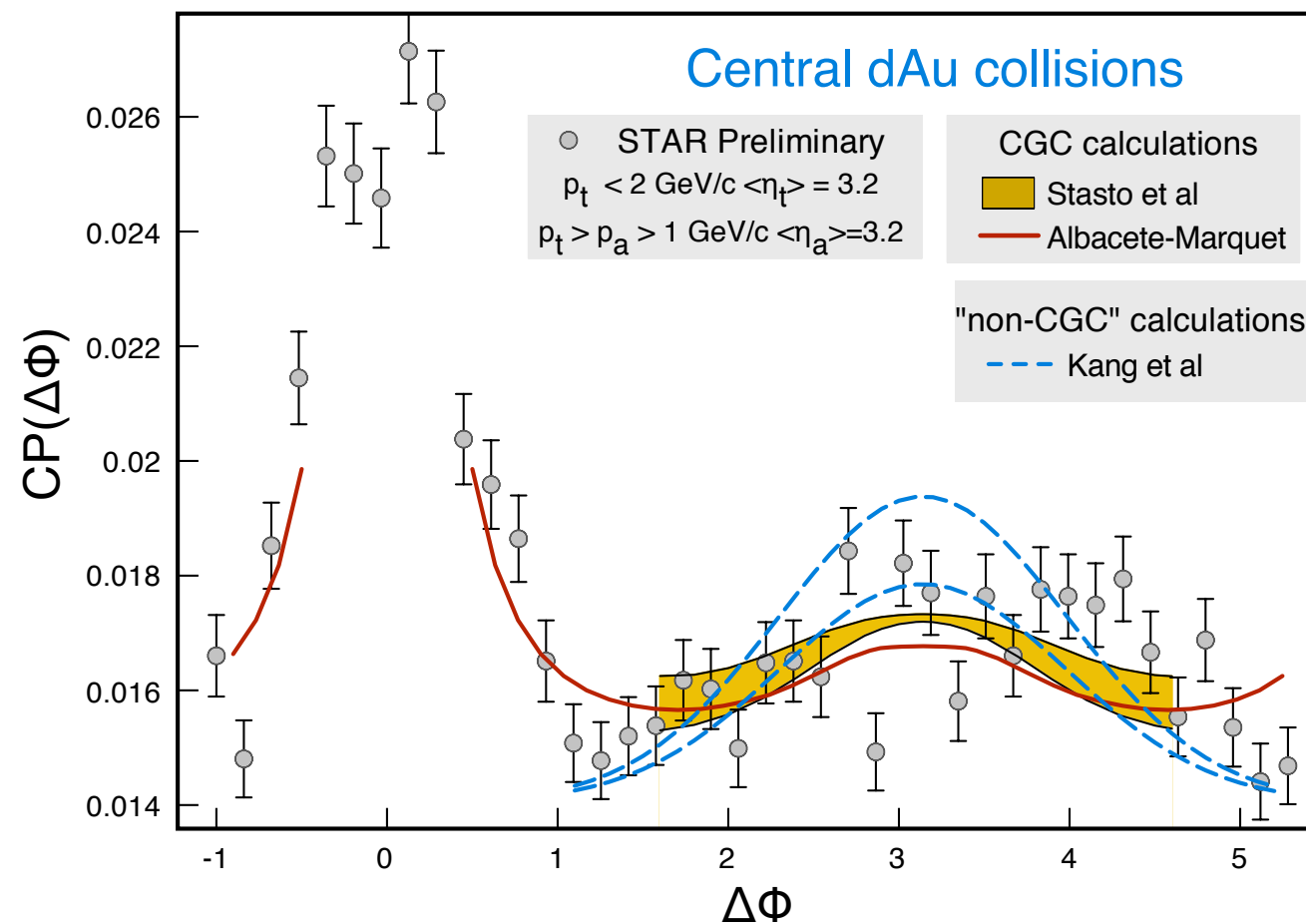
$$J_{dA} = I_{dA} \times R_{dA}^t = \frac{1}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle} \frac{\sigma_{dA}^{pair} / \sigma_{dA}}{\sigma_{pp}^{pair} / \sigma_{pp}}$$



Observed decorrelation IS stronger with

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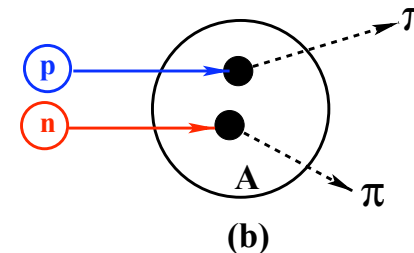
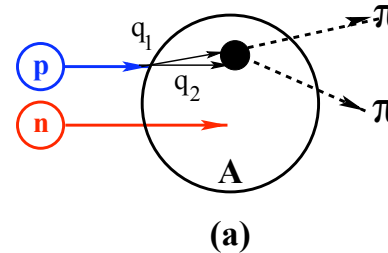
Uncertainties in current CGC phenomenological works:

- Need for a better description of n-point functions: [D. Triantafyllopoulos's and T. Lappi's talk]
- Better determination of the pedestal: **K-factors in single inclusive production?**

Role of double parton scattering?

[Heikki Mäntysaari's talk]

correlated



uncorrelated

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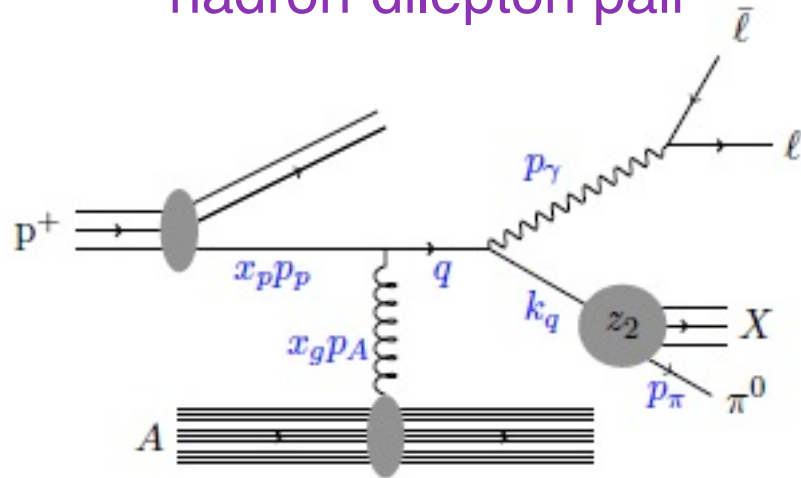
- Alternative descriptions including **resummation of multiple scatterings, nuclear shadowing and cold nuclear matter energy loss** seem possible...

di-hadron angular correlations at the LHC

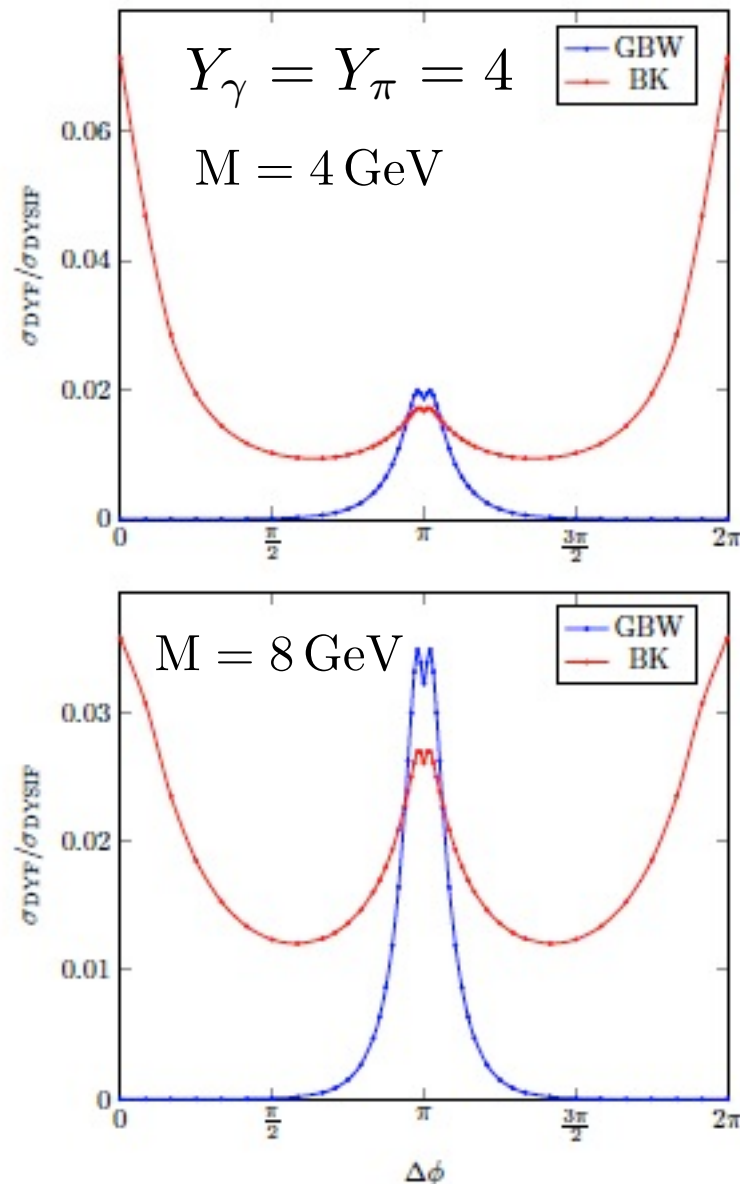
- Analogous decorrelation phenomena should be seen at the LHC
- The increase in collision energy implies that they should be visible at
 - * Lower rapidities of the produced pair
 - * Higher transverse momentum
- All previously mentioned details are been taken care of. Stay tuned!!! [Heikki Mäntysaari's talk]

hadron-photon* correlations in pPb collisions at the LHC

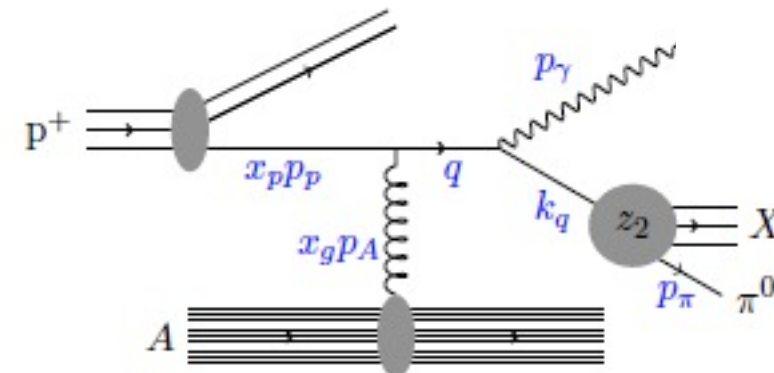
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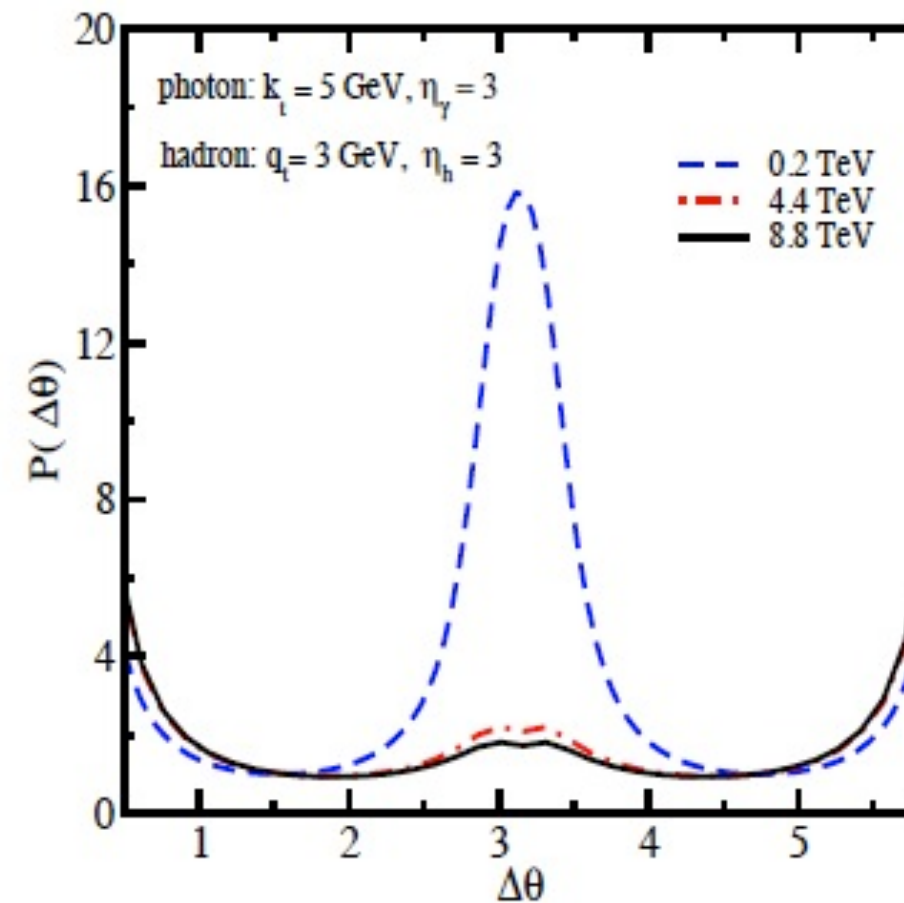
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- hadron-photon



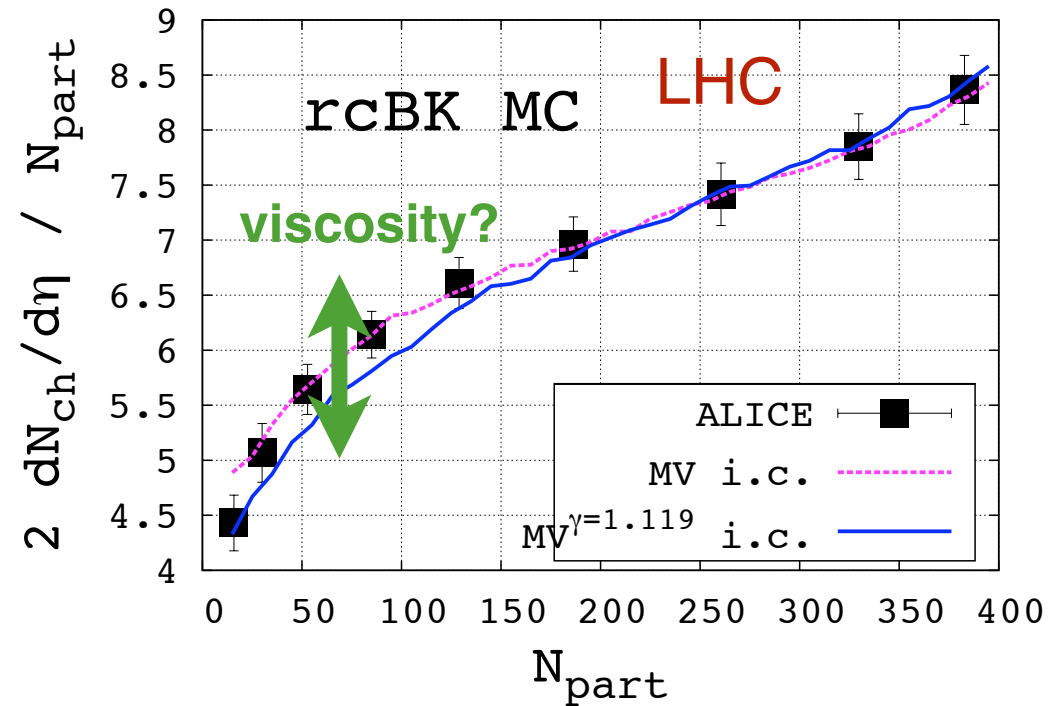
Jalilian-Marian's talk



These processes are theoretically cleaner:
Only knowledge of 2-point needed!!

Miscellanea

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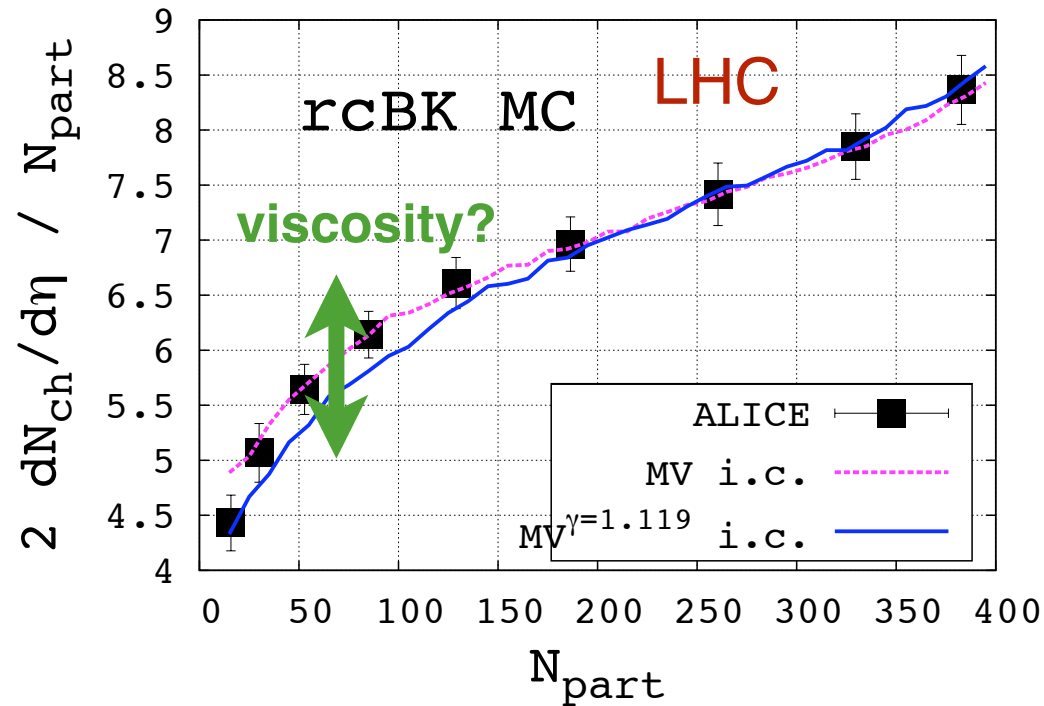


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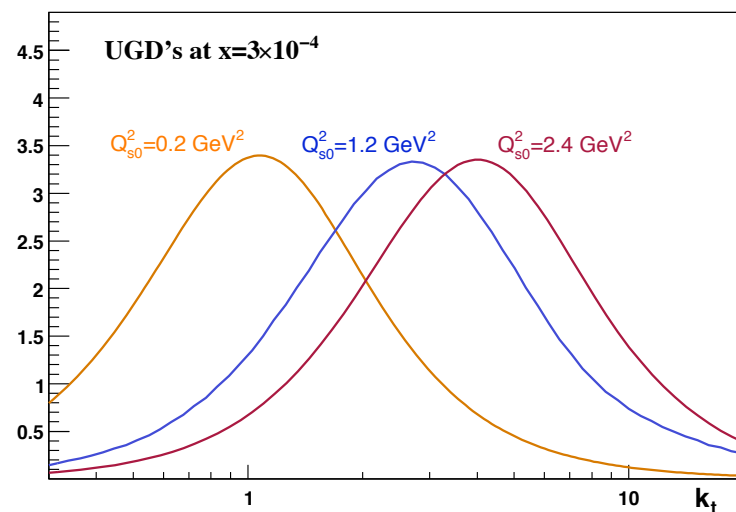


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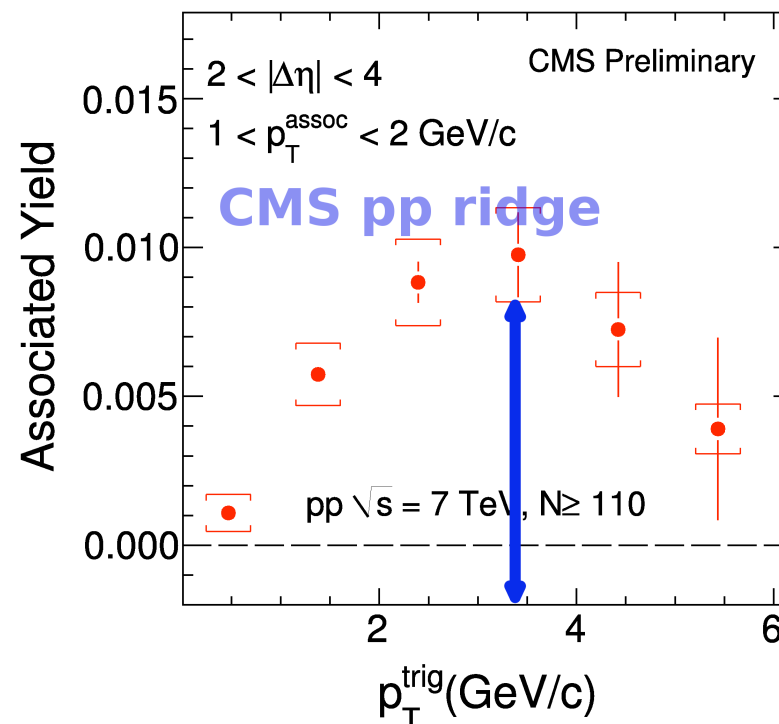
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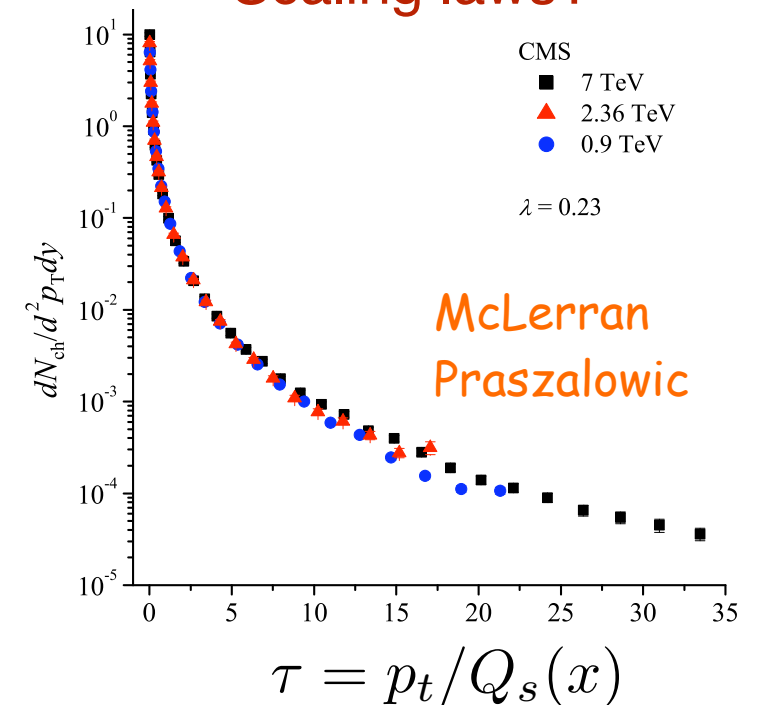
Semihard scale in p+p ridge



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Scaling laws?



Outlook

- ✓ Important steps have been taken in promoting GCG to an useful quantitative tool
 - Continuous progress on the theoretical side
 - Phenomenological effort to systematically describe data from different systems (e+p, e+A, p+p, d+Au, Aa+Au and Pb+Pb) in an unified framework
- ✓ Most solid CGC predictions for the upcoming p+Pb run:
 - Suppression of nuclear modification factors at moderate p_t already at mid-rapidity
 - Stronger suppression at more forward rapidities (evolution)
 - Suppression of di-hadron and photon-hadron angular correlations
- ✓ Current predictions carry some uncertainty due to lack of data to constrain NP aspects of nuclear UGD. This problem can be largely fixed through the measurement of simple observables (i.e. single inclusive spectra) in p+Pb collisions
- ✓ The CGC will not be neither proven nor disproven at the LHC, it will be improved

GRAZIE!

Back up