

DIFFRACTIVE JETS AND EVOLUTION OF DTMDs IN COORDINATE AND MOMENTUM SPACE

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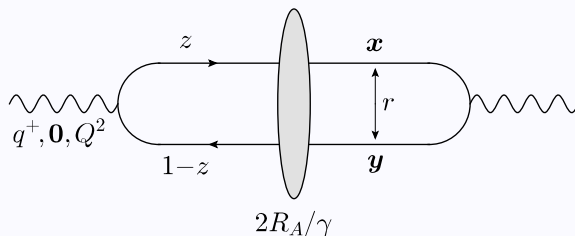
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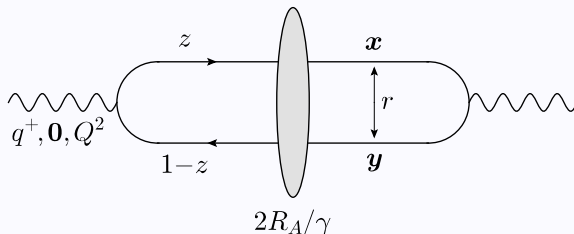
- ◉ Deep inelastic scattering in the dipole picture
- ◉ “2 + 1” jets in coherent diffraction as probes of saturation
- ◉ Factorization: Gluon diffractive TMDs
- ◉ Late time emissions
- ◉ Momentum space evolution and an analytic solution
- ◉ Coordinate space evolution

DIS AT SMALL- x IN DIPOLE PICTURE: TIME SCALES



- ⊙ Right moving off-shell γ^* , $q^\mu = (q^+, \mathbf{0}, -Q^2/2q^+)$
- ⊙ Left moving nucleus, $p^\mu = (M_N^2/2P_N^-, \mathbf{0}, P_N^-)$ per nucleon
- ⊙ Projectile lifetime $\tau_\gamma \sim 2q^+/Q^2$
- ⊙ Nucleus contracted length $L \sim 2R_A M_N / P_N^- \sim A^{1/3} / P_N^-$
- ⊙ $L \ll \tau_\gamma \iff xA^{1/3} \ll 1$

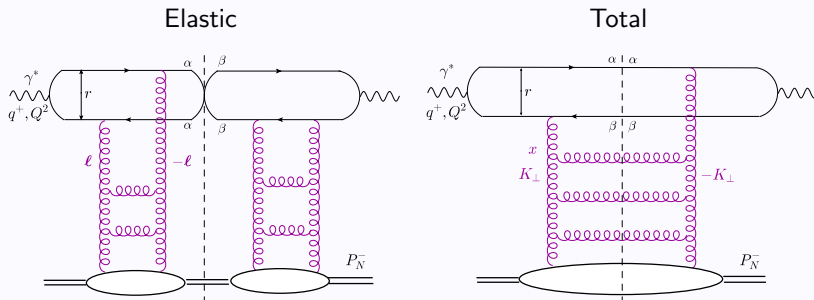
DIS AT SMALL- x IN DIPOLE PICTURE: FACTORIZATION



$$\sigma^{\gamma^*A}(x, Q^2) = \int d^2\mathbf{r} \int_0^1 dz |\Psi_{\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(Q^2; \mathbf{r}, z)|^2 2\pi R_A^2 T(r, x)$$

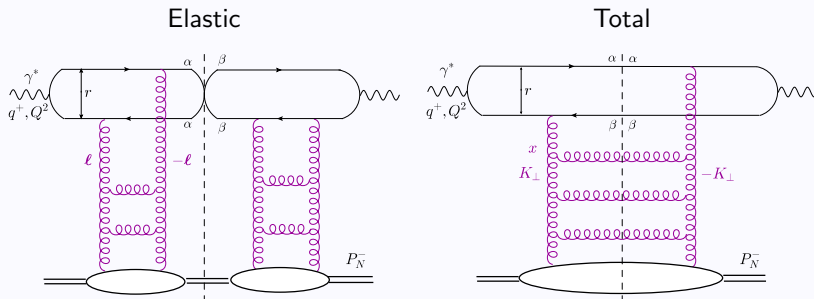
- ⊙ All QCD dynamics in $T(r, x)$
- ⊙ Virtuality limits large dipoles: $r \lesssim 1/\bar{Q}$, with $\bar{Q}^2 = z(1-z)Q^2$
- ⊙ Saturation requires $r \gtrsim 1/Q_s$, hence $\bar{Q}^2 \lesssim Q_s^2$
- ⊙ When $Q^2 \gg Q_s^2$ dominant contribution from weak scattering

DIFFRACTION/ELASTIC SCATTERING



- Rapidity **gap**: wide angular region **void of particles**
- Elastic for projectile, no nuclear break-up (coherent reaction)
- Close color at amplitude level
- At least **two gluons** exchanged at amplitude

LARGE DIPOLES IN DIFFRACTION

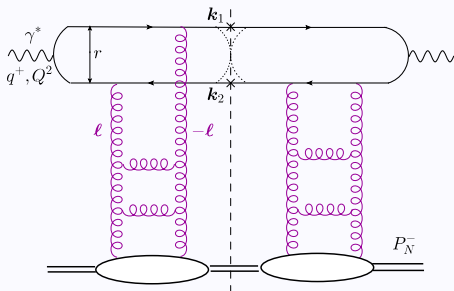


$$\sigma_D^{\gamma^* A}(x, Q^2) = \int d^2\mathbf{r} \int_0^1 dz \left| \Psi_{\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(Q^2; \mathbf{r}, z) \right|^2 \pi R_A^2 [T(r, x)]^2$$

- T^2 : Diffractive cross section less sensitive to small dipoles
- Even for $Q^2 \gg Q_s^2$ dipoles with $r \gtrsim 1/Q_s$ and $z \sim Q_s^2/Q^2 \ll 1$ (“aligned jets”) dominate diffractive cross section

HARD DIJET IN DIFFRACTION

- More **exclusive** processes? Measured jets or hadrons?
- Hard scale sets dipole size $r \sim 1/P_\perp$, **weak scattering**
- Hard, symmetric, back to back $q\bar{q}$ pair:
 $k_{1+} \simeq k_{2+} \equiv P_+ \sim Q \gg Q_s, z_{1,2} \sim 1/2$

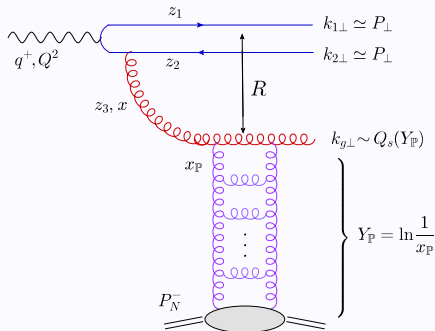


$$\frac{d\sigma_D^{\gamma^*A \rightarrow q\bar{q}A}}{dz_1 d^2\mathbf{P}} \propto \pi R_A^2 \underbrace{\frac{1}{Q^2}}_{\gamma^*q\bar{q}} \underbrace{\frac{Q_s^4}{P_\perp^4}}_{T^2(r)}$$

$\sim \frac{1}{P^6}$ higher twist

2+1 JETS IN DIFFRACTION

- Diffractive dijet at leading twist $1/P_{\perp}^4$?
- Yes, two hard jets $P_{\perp} \gg Q_s$ and one semi-hard $k_{g\perp} \sim Q_s \ll P_{\perp}$
- Third, semi-hard, jet provides dijet imbalance

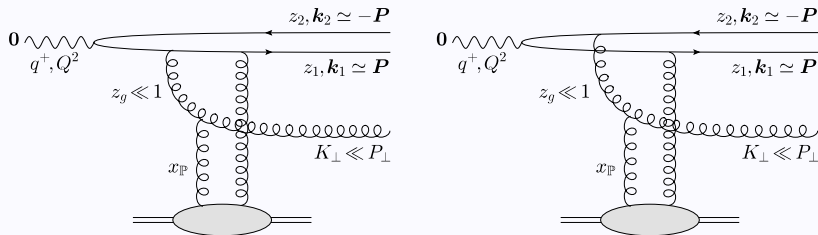


- $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ suppression
- $R \gg r$: gluon dipole
- $T_g(R, Y_P) \simeq \mathcal{O}(1)$
- Hard factor

$$H \propto \underbrace{\frac{1}{Q^2}}_{\gamma^* q \bar{q}} \times \underbrace{r^2}_{\text{gluon emission}} \sim \frac{1}{P_{\perp}^4}$$

$$\odot \ x_P P_N^- \text{ puts trijet on-shell: } x_P \simeq \frac{1}{2q^+ P_N^-} \left(\frac{P_{\perp}^2}{z_1 z_2} + \frac{k_{g\perp}^2}{z_g} + Q^2 \right)$$

GLUON DIPOLE WAVEFUNCTION



- ⊙ Gluon formation time must be small enough:

$$k_g^+ / k_{g\perp}^2 \lesssim q^+ / Q^2 \rightsquigarrow z_g \lesssim k_{g\perp}^2 / P_\perp^2 \ll 1, \text{ gluon is soft}$$

- ⊙ Momentum space LCWF

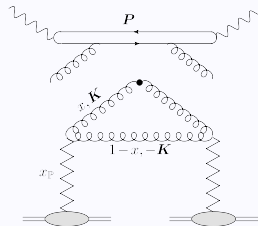
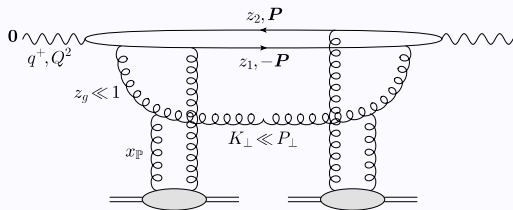
- ◇ Expand for $k_{g\perp} \ll P_\perp$ and $z_g \ll k_{g\perp} / P_\perp$ (no recoil)
- ◇ Leading terms cancel $\rightsquigarrow$ Non-eikonal emission
- ◇ Scattering is eikonal (Wilson lines), keep diffractive projection
- ◇ Add instantaneous quark propagator graph

GLUON FROM THE POMERON

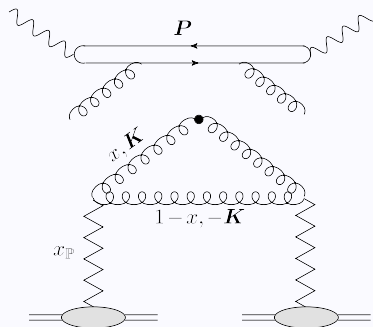
- Scales separation $\rightsquigarrow$ Factorization?
- View gluon as part of Pomeron. Variable change from ξ to x :

$$x = \frac{x_{q\bar{q}}}{x_{\mathbb{P}}} = \frac{\frac{P_{\perp}^2}{z_1 z_2} + Q^2}{\frac{P_{\perp}^2}{z_1 z_2} + \frac{k_{g\perp}^2}{z_3} + Q^2} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \beta \frac{x_{q\bar{q}}}{x_{\text{Bj}}} \simeq \beta \frac{\bar{Q}^2 + P_{\perp}^2}{P_{\perp}^2}$$

- For given x_{Bj} and hard jets, only one of z_g , $x_{\mathbb{P}}$ and x is independent



TMD FACTORIZATION AND CROSS SECTION



$$\frac{d\sigma_D^{\gamma_{T,L}^* A \rightarrow q\bar{q}gA}}{d\vartheta_1 d\vartheta_2 d^2\mathbf{P} d^2\mathbf{K} dY_{\mathbb{P}}} = H_{T,L}(z_1, z_2, Q^2, P_{\perp}^2) \frac{dx G_{\mathbb{P}}(x, x_{\mathbb{P}}, K_{\perp}^2)}{d^2\mathbf{K}}$$

- Hard factor as in inclusive $q\bar{q}$ dijet cross section

$$H_T(z_1, z_2, Q^2, P_{\perp}^2) \equiv \alpha_{em} \alpha_s \left(\sum e_f^2 \right) \delta_z \underbrace{(z_1^2 + z_2^2)}_{2P_{q\gamma}(\vartheta_1)} \underbrace{\frac{P_{\perp}^4 + \bar{Q}^4}{(P_{\perp}^2 + \bar{Q}^2)^4}}_{\sim 1/P_{\perp}^4}$$

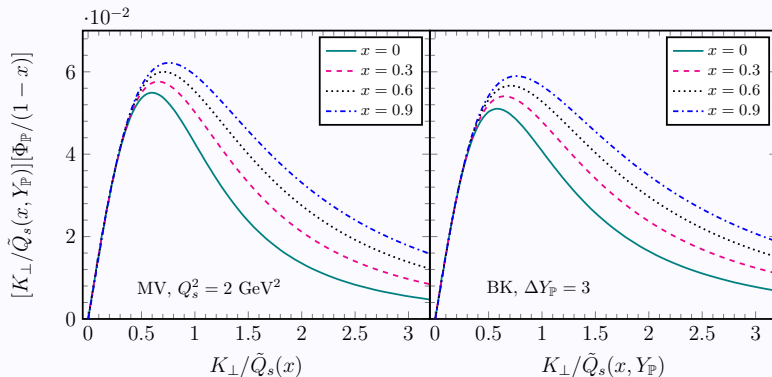
$$\frac{dx G_{\mathbb{P}}(x, x_{\mathbb{P}}, K_{\perp}^2)}{d^2 K} = \underbrace{\frac{S_{\perp}(N_c^2 - 1)}{4\pi^3}}_{\text{d.o.f.}} \underbrace{\Phi_{\mathbb{P}}(x, x_{\mathbb{P}}, K_{\perp}^2)}_{\text{occupation number}}$$

- Explicit in terms of elastic amplitude $T_g(R, x_{\mathbb{P}})$

$$\Phi_{\mathbb{P}}(x, x_{\mathbb{P}}, K_{\perp}^2) \approx \frac{1-x}{2\pi} \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } K_{\perp} \ll \tilde{Q}_s(x) \\ \frac{\tilde{Q}_s^4(x, Y_{\mathbb{P}})}{K_{\perp}^4} & \text{for } K_{\perp} \gg \tilde{Q}_s(x) \end{cases}$$

- Valid for large gaps: $x_{\mathbb{P}} \lesssim 10^{-2}$
- Effective saturation momentum $\tilde{Q}_s^2(x) \equiv (1-x)Q_s^2$
- Bulk of distribution at saturation $K_{\perp} \lesssim \tilde{Q}_s(x)$

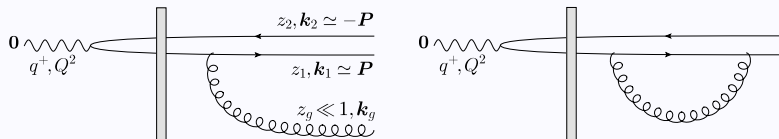
GLUON DIFFRACTIVE TMD



$$\mathcal{T}_g(r) = 1 - \exp \left[-\frac{r^2 Q_A^2}{4} \ln \frac{4}{r^2 \Lambda^2} \right] \quad (\text{left}) \quad \text{plus BK (right)}$$

- ⊙ Multiplied by $K_\perp$ (cf. measure $d^2 K$)
- ⊙ Pronounced maximum at $K_\perp \sim \tilde{Q}_s(x)$

LATE TIME EMISSIONS



- ⊙ Gluons with $\tau_g \gg \tau_\gamma \rightarrow z_g \gg k_{g\perp}^2/P_\perp^2$ do not interact
- ⊙ Interested in gluons emitted at large angles
 $\theta_g \gg \theta_q \rightarrow z_g \ll k_{g\perp}/P_\perp$

$$\Delta\mathcal{F}_g(x, \mathbf{K}) = \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi^2} \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}_g}{k_g^2} \int_{k_{g\perp}^2/P_\perp^2}^{k_{g\perp}^2/P_\perp^2} \frac{dz_g}{z_g} \left[\mathcal{F}_g^{(0)}(x, \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{k}_g) - \mathcal{F}_g^{(0)}(x, \mathbf{K}) \right]$$

- ⊙ If $k_{g\perp} \ll K_\perp$, real and virtual cancel
- ⊙ If $K_\perp \ll k_{g\perp} \ll P_\perp$, real is small $\rightarrow$ uncompensated emission

$$\Delta\mathcal{F}_g(x, \mathbf{K}, Q^2) = -\frac{\alpha_s N_c}{4\pi} \ln^2 \frac{Q^2}{K_\perp^2} \mathcal{F}_g^{(0)}(x, \mathbf{K}, Q^2)$$

Recast the problem into an evolution equation. First in DLA

$\ell = k_g + K$ in the real term: momentum of t -channel gluon in “target picture”

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}_g(x, K_\perp^2, Q^2)}{\partial \ln Q^2} = & \frac{N_c}{2\pi} \left[\Theta(K_\perp, \mu_0) \frac{\alpha_s(K_\perp^2)}{K_\perp^2} \int_{\Lambda^2}^{K_\perp^2} d\ell_\perp^2 \mathcal{F}_g(x, \ell_\perp^2, Q^2) \right. \\ & \left. - \int_{K_\perp^2}^{Q^2} \frac{d\ell_\perp^2}{\ell_\perp^2} \Theta(\ell_\perp, \mu_0) \alpha_s(\ell_\perp^2) \mathcal{F}_g(x, K_\perp^2, Q^2) \right] \\ & + \Theta(Q, \mu_0) \beta_0 \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2) N_c}{\pi} \mathcal{F}_g(x, K_\perp^2, Q^2) \end{aligned}$$

- ⊙ Real “gain” term: $\ell_\perp \ll K_\perp \simeq k_{g\perp}$
- ⊙ Virtual “loss” term: $K_\perp \ll \ell_\perp$
- ⊙ β_0 term: virtual corrections from RG flow of gluon DTMD
- ⊙ Θ -step functions: reduce emissions of partons harder than $\mu_0 \sim Q_s$
- ⊙ Solve as boundary problem at $K_\perp^2 = Q^2$ (or better a fraction of Q^2)

- Exact solution!

$$\mathcal{F}_g(x, K_{\perp}^2, Q^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\partial x G(x, K_{\perp}^2) \exp[-S(K_{\perp}^2, Q^2)]}{\partial K_{\perp}^2}$$

- Sudakov factor

$$\begin{aligned} S(K_{\perp}^2, Q^2) &= \frac{N_c}{\pi} \int_{K_{\perp}^2}^{Q^2} \frac{d\ell_{\perp}^2}{\ell_{\perp}^2} \Theta(\ell_{\perp}, \mu_0) \alpha_s(\ell_{\perp}^2) \left(\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{Q^2}{\ell_{\perp}^2} - \beta_0 \right) \\ &\equiv S_d(K_{\perp}^2, Q^2) + S_s(K_{\perp}^2, Q^2) \end{aligned}$$

- Gluon DPDF “integral of motion”

$$\int_0^{Q^2} d^2 \mathbf{K} \mathcal{F}_g(x, K_{\perp}^2, Q^2) = x G(x, K_{\perp}^2)$$

- Obeys DGLAP, source term by “tree-level” (MV/B-JIMWLK)
- All evolutions in one analytic solution

- Boundary condition has contributions from tree-level and DGLAP

$$\mathcal{F}_0(x, K_\perp^2) = \underbrace{\mathcal{F}_g^{(0)}(x, K_\perp^2)}_{\text{tree}} + \Theta(K_\perp, \mu_0) \frac{\alpha_s(K_\perp^2)}{2\pi^2} \frac{1}{K_\perp^2} \int_x^1 d\xi \underbrace{P_{gg}^{(+)}(\xi)}_{\text{no } \beta_0} \frac{x}{\xi} G\left(\frac{x}{\xi}, K_\perp^2\right)$$

- Rewrite solution as

$$\mathcal{F}_g(x, K_\perp^2, Q^2) = \left[\mathcal{F}_0(x, K_\perp^2) + \Theta(K_\perp, \mu_0) \frac{\alpha_s(K_\perp^2) N_c}{2\pi^2} \ln \frac{Q^2}{K_\perp^2} \frac{x G(x, K_\perp^2)}{K_\perp^2} \right] \exp[-S(K_\perp^2, Q^2)]$$

- For $K_\perp \gg \mu_0$, tree $\sim 1/K_\perp^4$
- Receives $1/K_\perp^2$ contributions from both DGLAP and CSS

- ⊙ Relax strong ordering in transverse momenta

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}_g(x, \mathbf{K}, Q^2)}{\partial \ln Q^2} = & \frac{N_c}{2\pi} \int \frac{d^2 \ell}{\pi \ell_{\perp}^2} \alpha_s(\ell_{\perp}^2) \left[\mathcal{F}_g(x, \mathbf{K} + \ell, Q^2) - \Theta(Q - \ell_{\perp}) \mathcal{F}_g(x, \mathbf{K}, Q^2) \right] \\ & + \Theta(Q, \mu_0) \beta_0 \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2) N_c}{\pi} \mathcal{F}_g(x, \mathbf{K}, Q^2), \end{aligned}$$

- ⊙ Well defined in UV and IR
- ⊙ To be solved with the boundary condition at $Q^2 = K_{\perp}^2$

- ◉ Fourier transform $\mathbf{K} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{b}$
- ◉ Problem 1: running coupling
- ◉ Problem 2: boundary condition
- ◉ Close eyes

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_g(x, b_\perp^2, Q^2)}{\partial \ln Q^2} = -\frac{N_c}{\pi} \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mu_b^2}^{Q^2} \frac{d\ell_\perp^2}{\ell_\perp^2} \alpha_s(\ell_\perp^2) - \Theta(Q, \mu_0) \beta_0 \alpha_s(Q^2) \right] \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_g(x, b_\perp^2, Q^2)$$

Straightforward solution

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_g(x, b_\perp^2, Q^2) = \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x, \mu_b^2) \exp[-S(\mu_b^2, Q^2)]$$

with $\mu_b^2 = c_0^2/b_\perp^2$ and $c_0 = 2e^{-\gamma_E}$

- ⊙ If $\mu_b^2 \gg \mu_0^2$: BC is proportional to DPDF, e.g. integrate DLA solution (total derivative)

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x, \mu_b^2) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2} xG(x, \mu_b^2)$$

- ⊙ If $\mu_b^2 \lesssim \mu_0^2$: no DGLAP, Sudakov $K_\perp$ -independent. BC proportional to FT of tree level

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x, \mu_b^2) = \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_g^{(0)}(x, \mu_b^2)$$

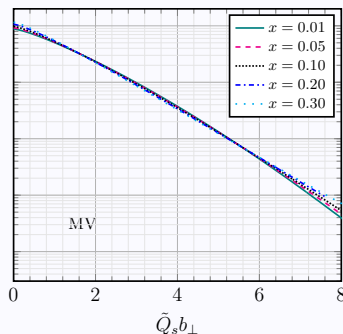
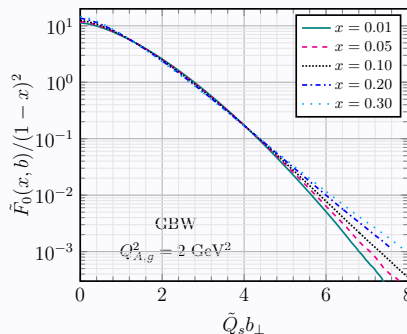
- ⊙ Can interpolate the two regimes, e.g.

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x, \mu_b^2) = \frac{xG(x, \mu_b^2)}{xG^{(0)}(x, \mu_b^2)} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_g^{(0)}(x, \mu_b^2)$$

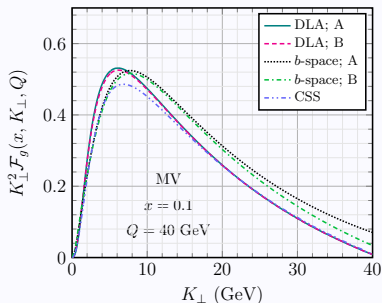
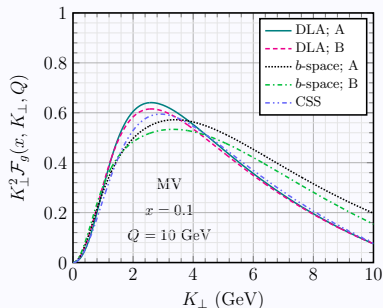
- Assume MV model. For $\mu_b \lesssim \mu_0$ dominated by $K_\perp \sim \mu_0$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_g^{(0)}(x, \mu_b^2) \sim \exp(-B)/B^2 \quad \text{with} \quad B = b_\perp^2 \mu_0^2/8$$

- Exact expression in terms of E_1 -function, finite $b_\perp = 0$ limit
- This is our IR Sudakov
- IR here refers to scale $\mu_0 \sim Q_s$



NUMERICAL SOLUTIONS (w/o DGLAP)



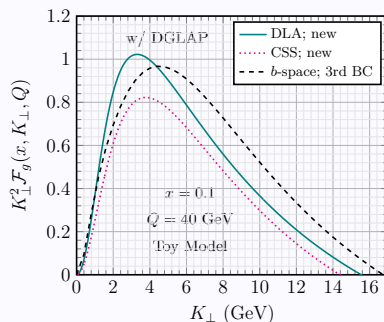
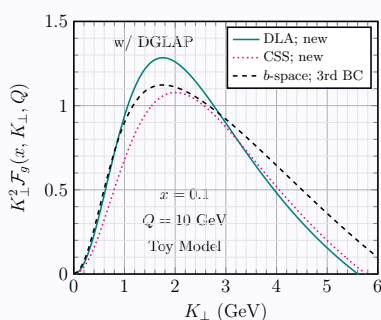
$$\odot K_{\perp \text{tree}}^* \sim \tilde{Q}_s \quad \text{and} \quad K_{\perp \text{CSS}}^* = Q e^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\bar{\alpha}_s}}}$$

- Results of 3 equations match perturbatively to order $\bar{\alpha}_s$

Can choose the $K_{\perp}$ -space boundary to match results to order $\bar{\alpha}_s^2$

Cannot go beyond.

NUMERICAL SOLUTIONS (DGLAP)



- ⊙ DGLAP pushes peak to lower $K_{\perp}$
- ⊙ Distribution negative above some $K_{\perp}$ for $x > 0$.

- ◉ Diffraction at **hard** momenta in γA collisions in CGC
- ◉ Diffractive **hard** dijet cross sections dominated by 2+1 jets due to scattering near unitarity limit
- ◉ Factorization: Diffractive gluon TMD
- ◉ CSS evolution in momentum and coordinate space
- ◉ For sufficiently large rapidity gaps and/or large nuclei **gluon** DTMD and DPDF calculated from “**first principles**”
- ◉ CGC, DGLAP and TMD evolution in the same formalism