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The proton: QCD at work!

What we know about the content of the proton:

- 2 *up* quarks ($q_u = 2/3 e$) + 1 *down* quark ($q_d = -1/3 e$)
- Any number of quark-antiquark pairs (sea)
- Any number of gluons

$$|p\rangle = |uud\rangle + |uudq\bar{q}\rangle + |uudg\rangle + \dots$$

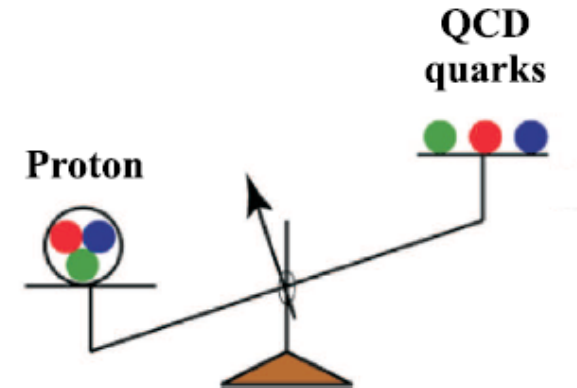
Fundamental questions:

- Origin of proton **mass**?

→ Only a small fraction comes from the actual quark masses

→ Most of it comes from the ***motion of quarks and gluons***

- Origin of proton **spin**?



$$\frac{1}{2} = \text{Spin of all Quarks} + \text{Spin of Gluons} + \text{Angular Momentum of all Quarks} + \text{Angular Momentum of Gluons}$$

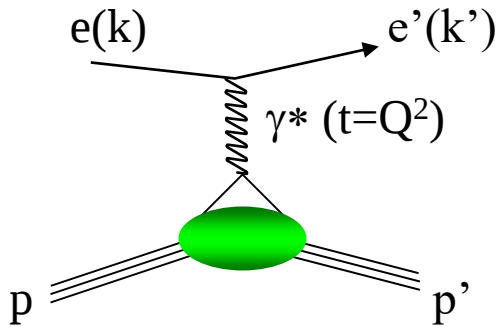
The diagram illustrates the equation for the proton's spin. It shows four circular diagrams representing the contributions to the total spin of 1/2. The first diagram, 'Spin of all Quarks', shows three quarks with arrows indicating their spins. The second, 'Spin of Gluons', shows a complex arrangement of gluons with arrows. The third, 'Angular Momentum of all Quarks', shows quarks with arrows indicating their orbital angular momentum. The fourth, 'Angular Momentum of Gluons', shows gluons with arrows indicating their orbital angular momentum. The diagrams are connected by plus signs, representing the sum of these contributions.

Electron scattering: the ideal tool to study nucleon structure

Electrons are **structureless** and interact only **electromagnetically** via the exchange of **virtual photons**

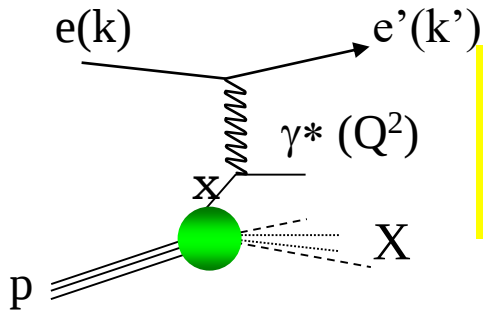
Resolution of the probe (in the one-photon exchange approximation): $Q^2 = -(k-k')^2$

➤ 1956: **Elastic scattering** $ep \rightarrow e'p'$ (Hofstadter, Nobel Prize 1961)

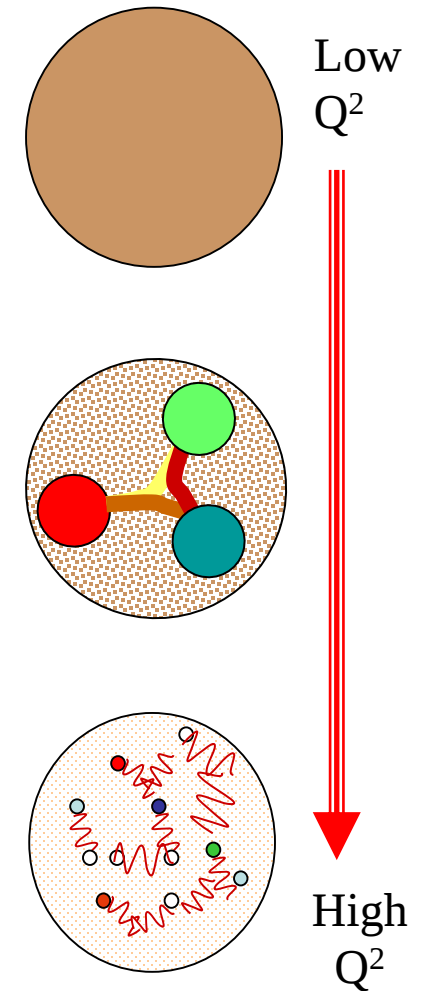


- The proton is **not a point-like object**
- Measurement of charge distributions of the proton: **Electromagnetic form factors $F_1(t)$, $F_2(t)$**

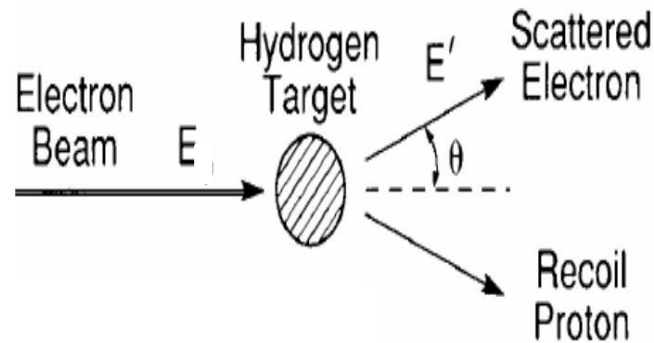
➤ 1967: **Deep inelastic scattering** (DIS) $ep \rightarrow e'X$
(Friedman, Kendall, Taylor, Nobel Prize 1990)



- Discovery of the **quarks** (or “partons”)
- Measurement of the momentum and spin distributions of the partons: **Parton Distribution Functions (PDF) $q(x)$, $\Delta q(x)$**



Elastic scattering: the origins



Robert Hofstadter



$$\sigma_M = \frac{\alpha_{QED}^2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{4E^2 \sin^4 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

Mott cross section: scattering off a point-like object

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \sigma_M [(F_1^2 + \kappa^2 \tau F_2^2) + 2\tau (F_1 + \kappa F_2)^2 \tan^2(\frac{\theta_e}{2})]$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \sigma_M [\frac{(G_E^p)^2 + \tau (G_M^p)^2}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau (G_M^p)^2 \tan^2(\frac{\theta_e}{2})]$$

$$\tau = Q^2 / (4M_N^2)$$

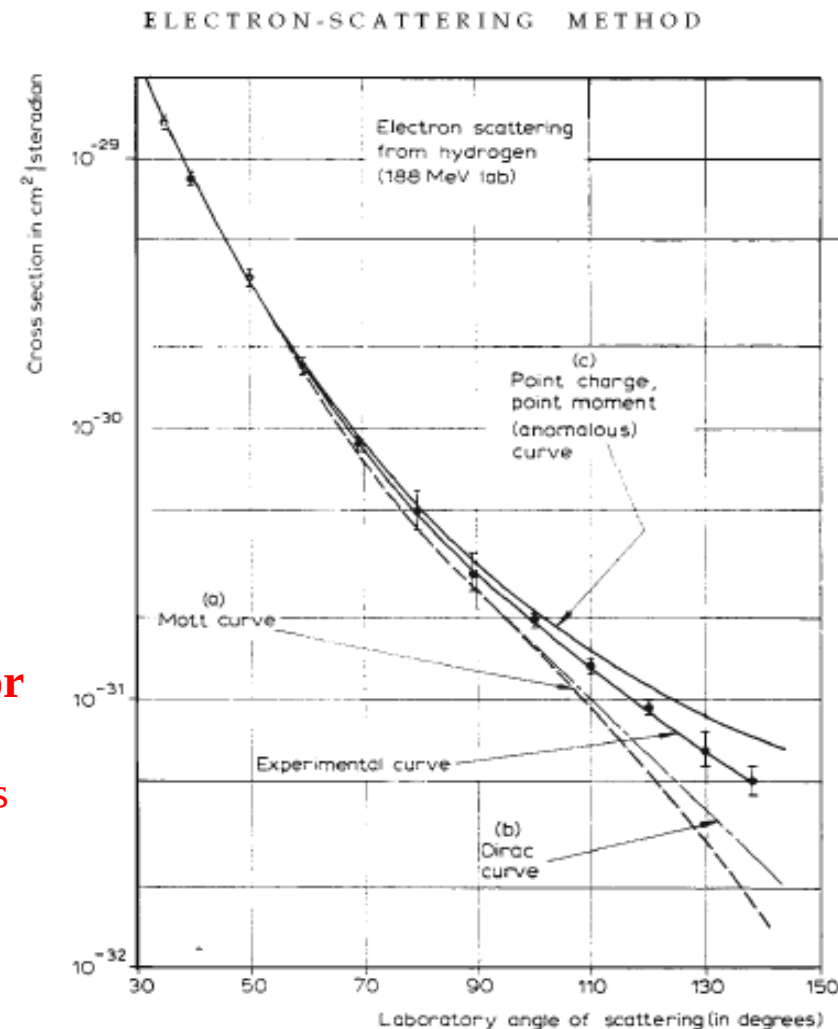
κ nucleon anomalous magnetic moment

Rosenbluth's formulas for elastic cross section:

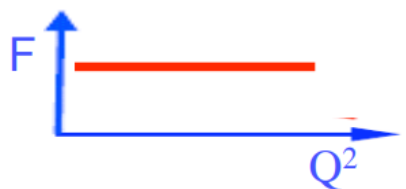
- F_1, F_2 : Dirac and Pauli FFs
- G_E, G_M : electric and magnetic FF (Sachs FFs)

$$G_E(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) - \tau \kappa F_2(Q^2); \quad G_E^p(0) = 1; \quad G_E^n(0) = 0;$$

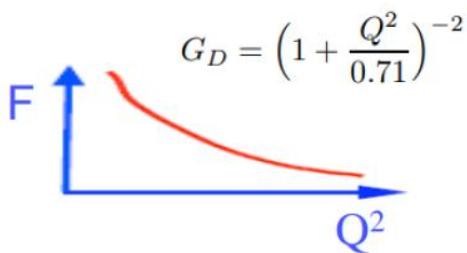
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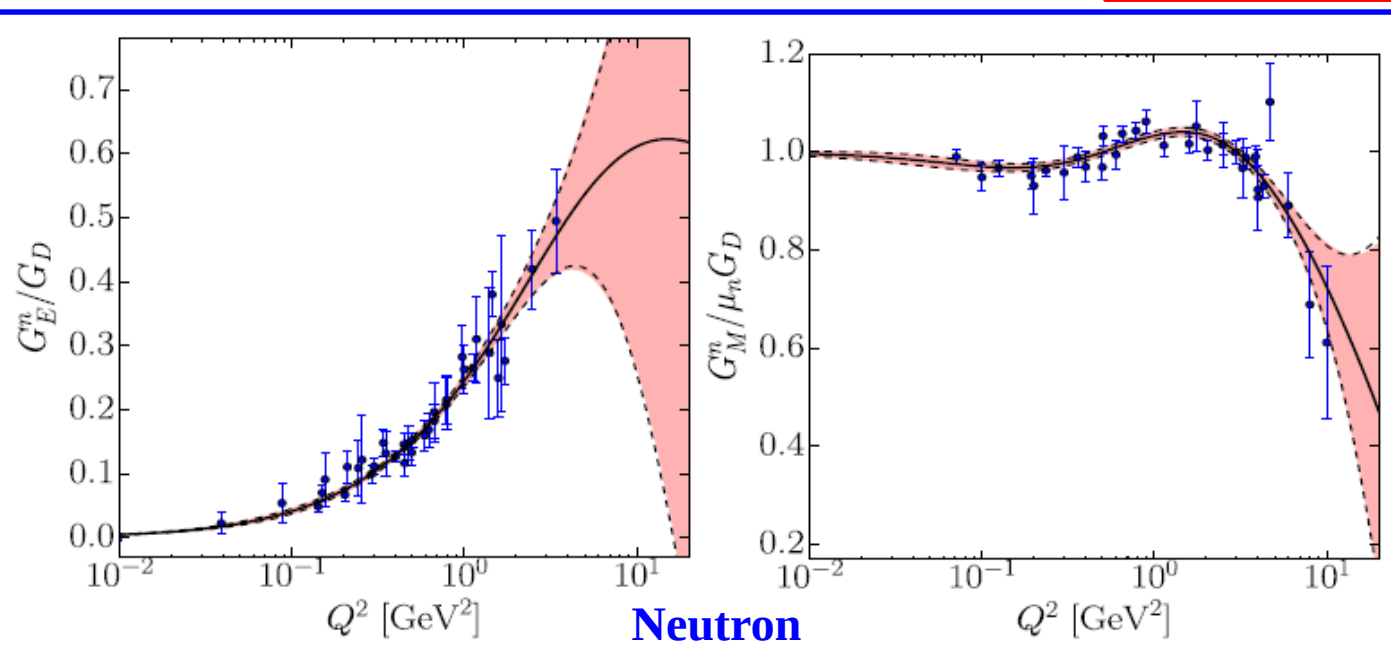
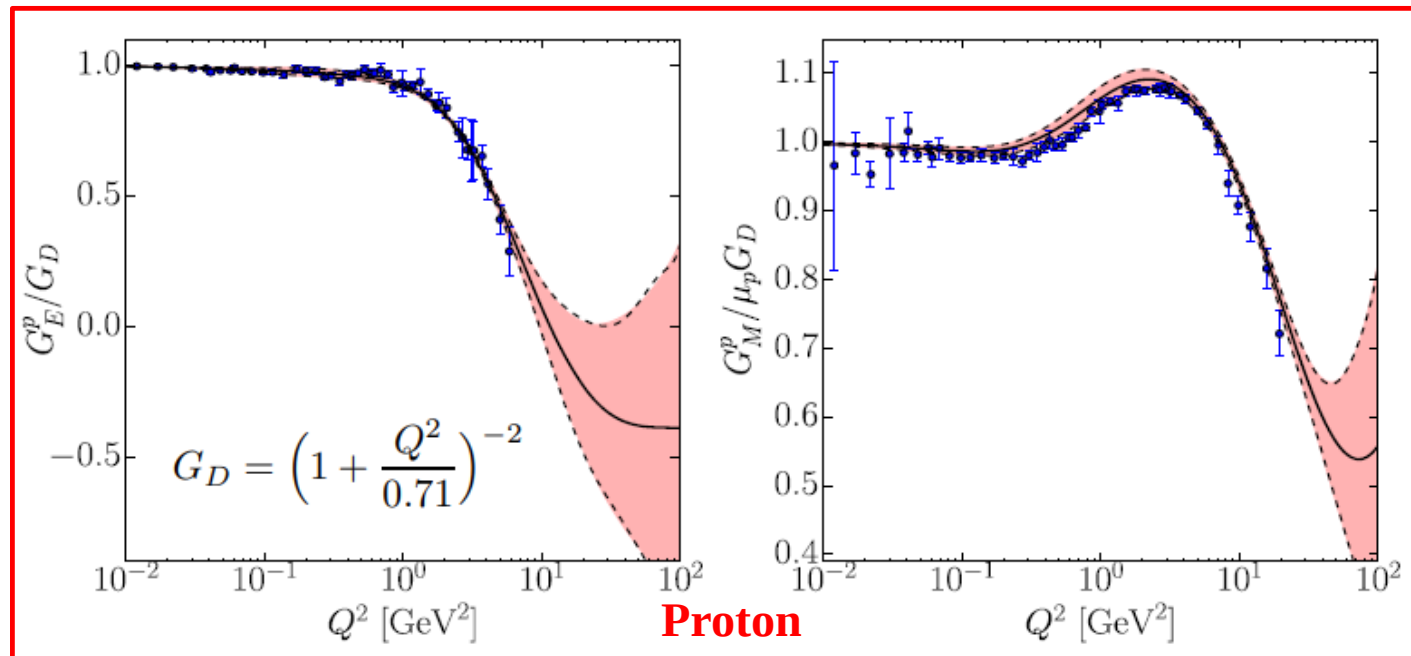
Elastic scattering: today



Point charge: $F(Q^2)=\text{constant}$
photon always sees all of the proton's charge



Elastic ep scattering:
"dipole" form factor, photon sees less charge as Q^2 increases



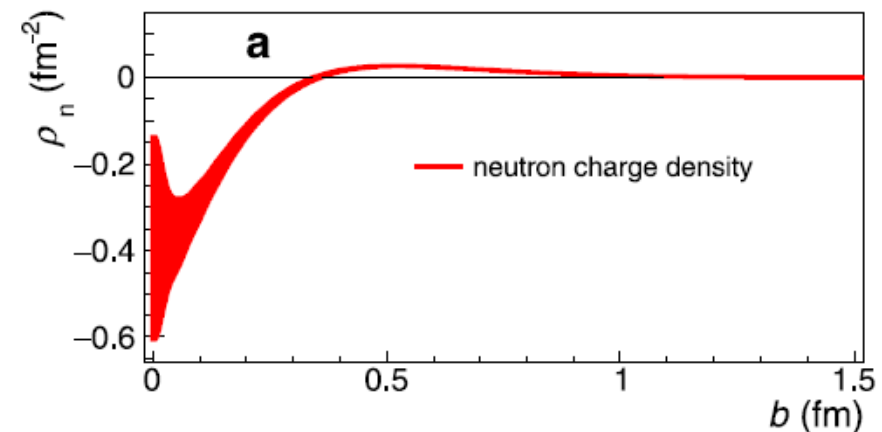
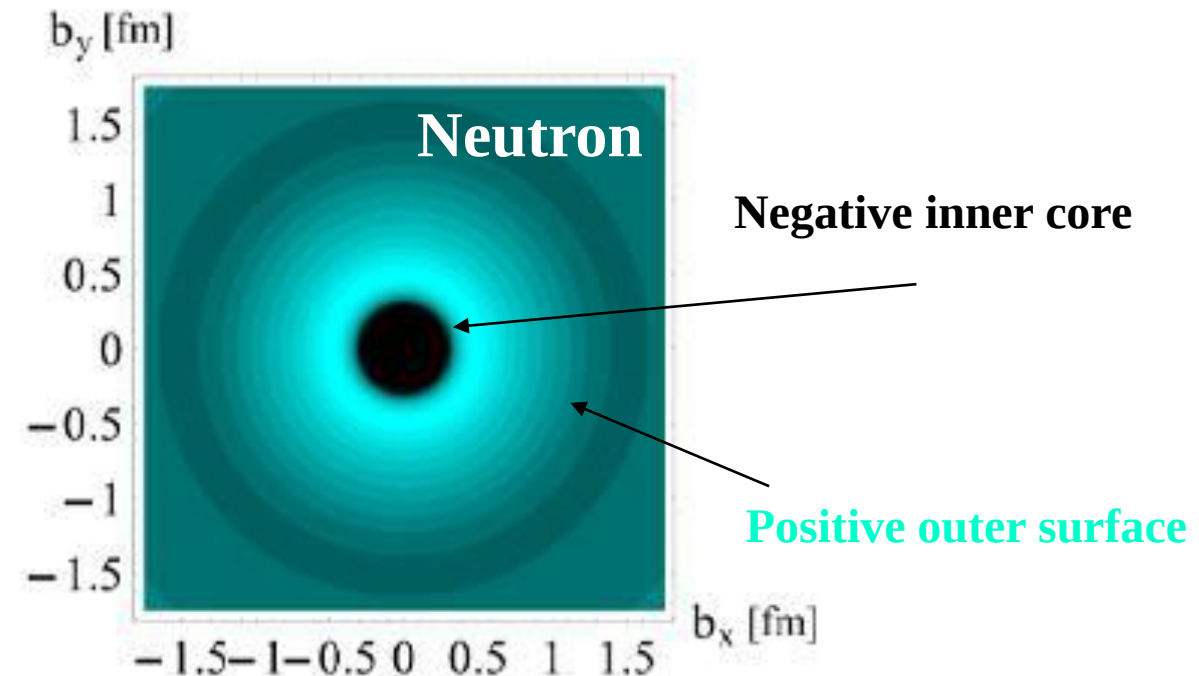
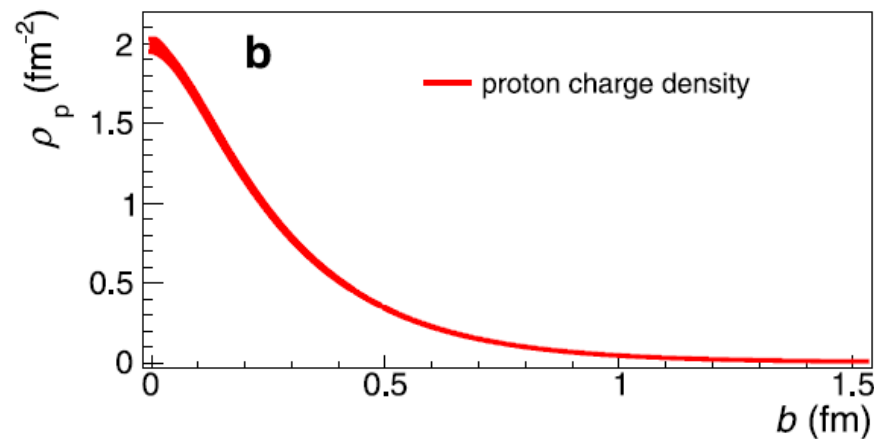
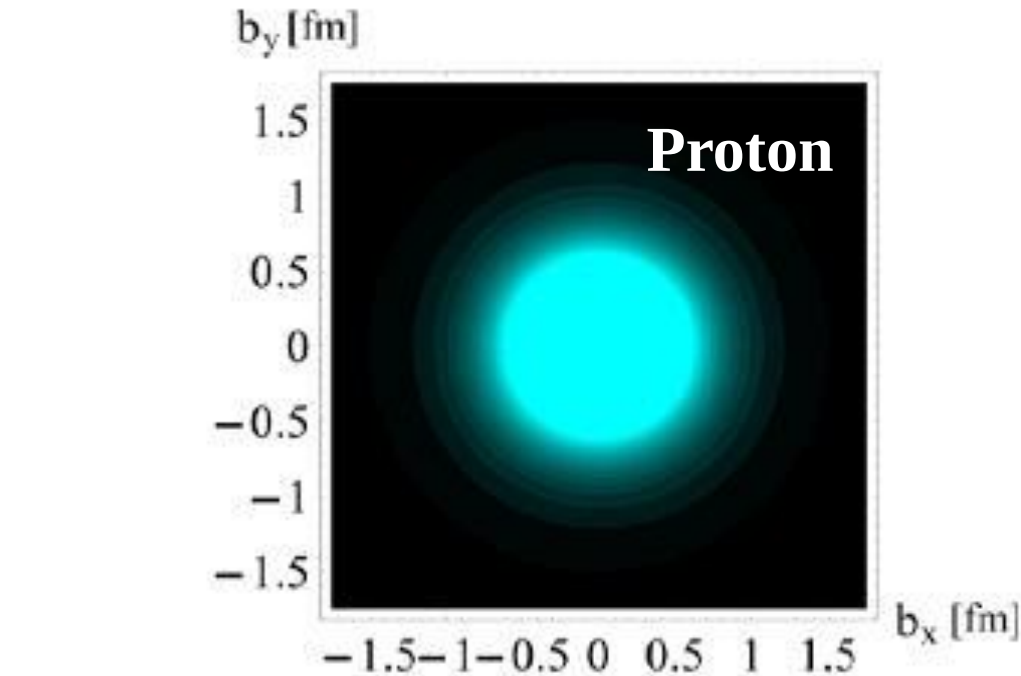
Measurements done in: LAL Orsay, Cambridge, Bonn, SLAC, Desy, Mainz, CEA-Saclay, NiKHEF, MIT-Bates, MAMI@Mainz, CEBAF@JLab

Nucleon charge densities from elastic scattering

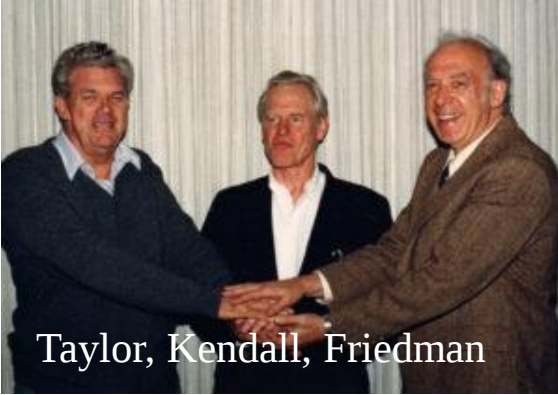
$$G_E(k^2) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} d^3\mathbf{r} e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} \rho_E(\mathbf{r})$$

C. Carlson, M. Vanderhaeghen PRL 100, 032004 (2008)

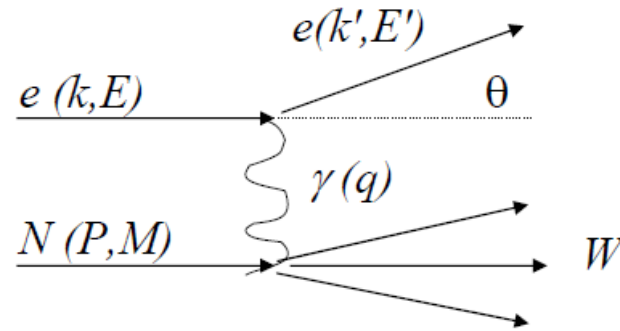
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Deep Inelastic Scattering: the origins

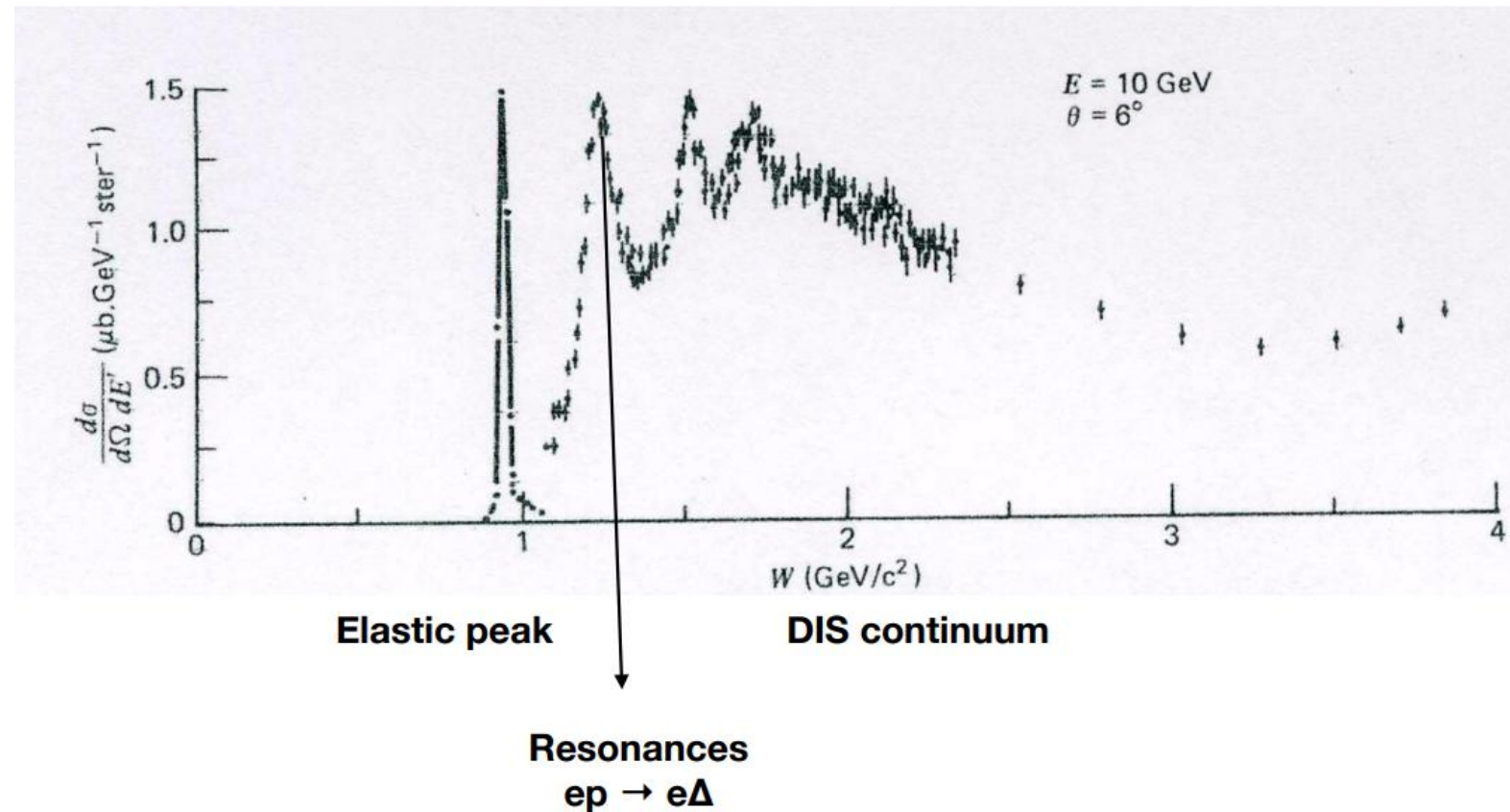


Taylor, Kendall, Friedman



$$q^2 = -4EE' \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \quad v = \frac{p \cdot q}{M} = E - E'$$

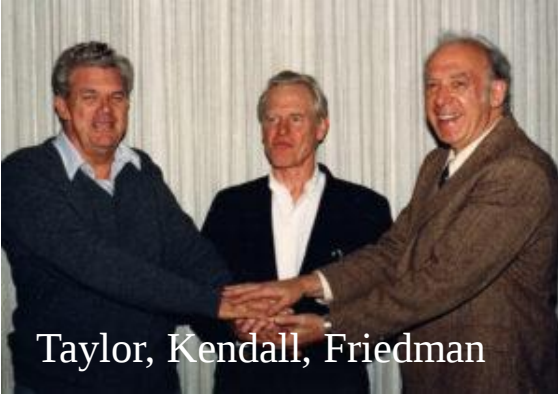
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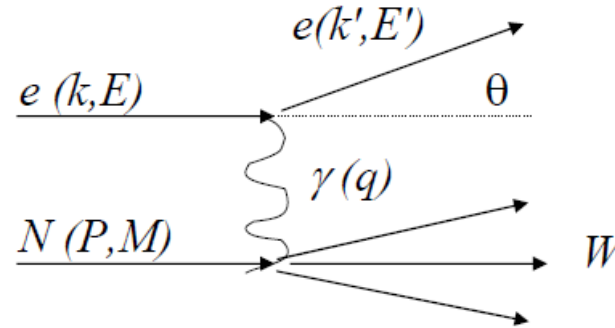
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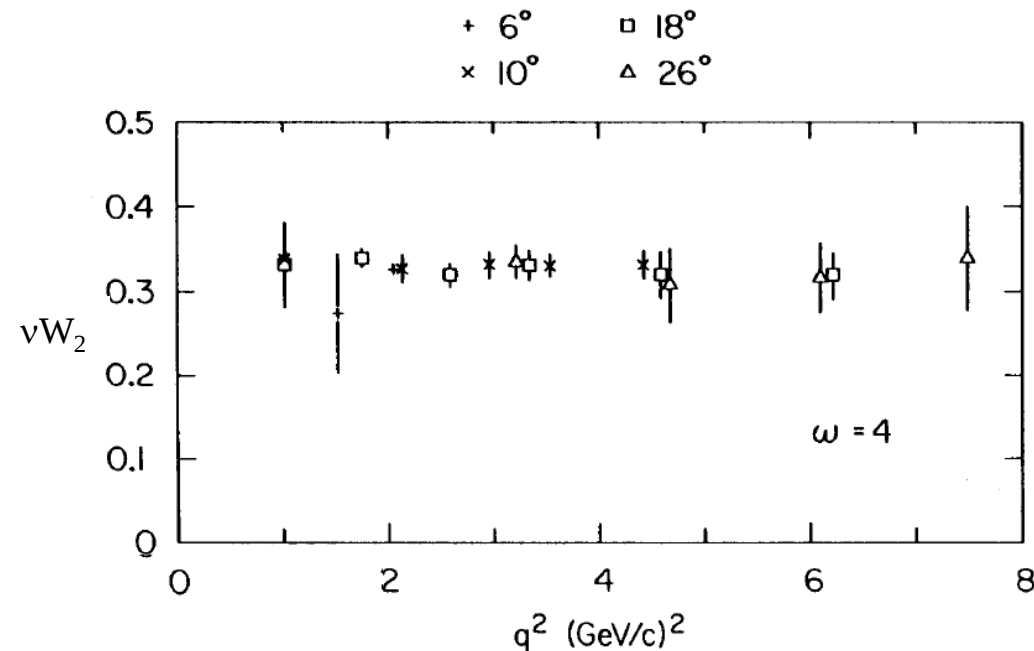
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Bjorken scaling

$$2MW_1(v, q^2) = F_1(\omega)$$

$$vW_2(v, q^2) = F_2(\omega)$$

$$\omega = \frac{1}{x} = \frac{2Mv}{Q^2}$$

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2Mv} = \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot q}$$

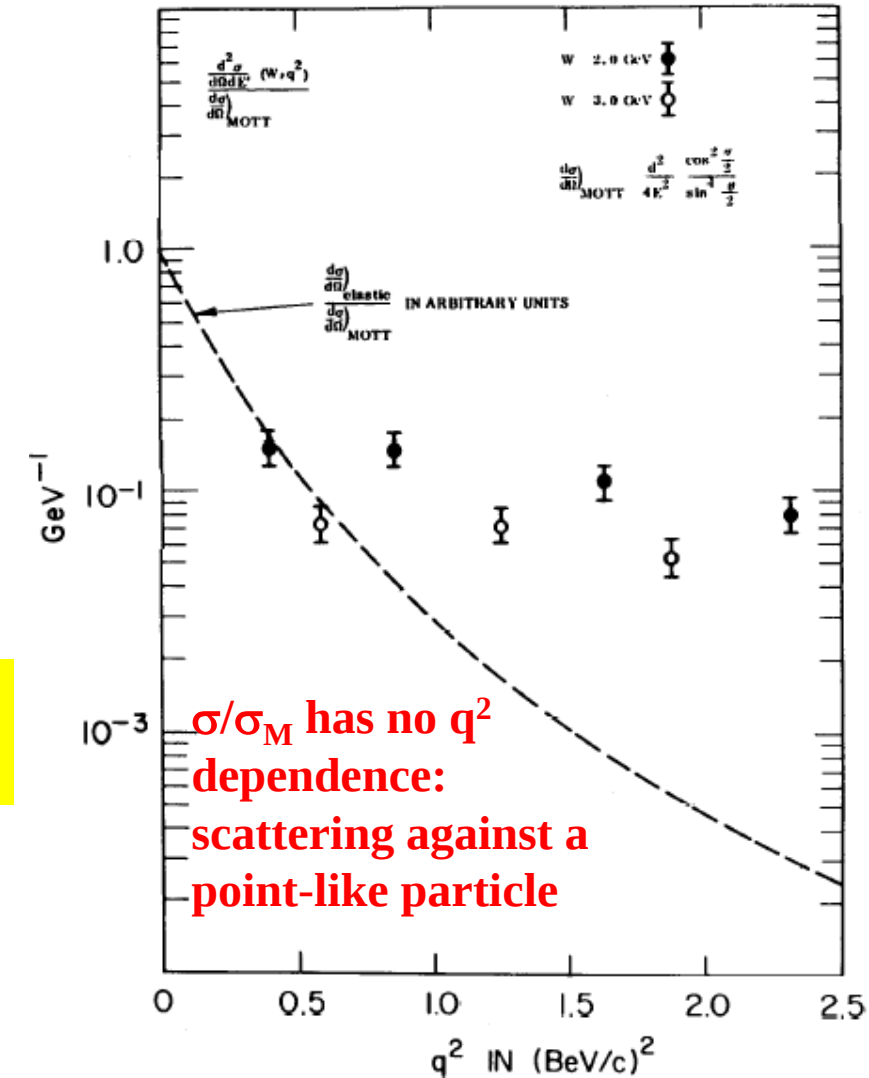
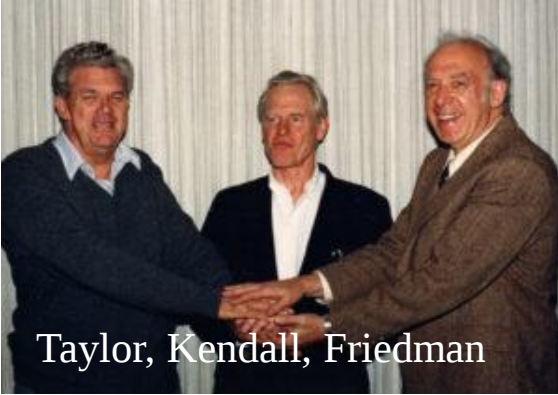


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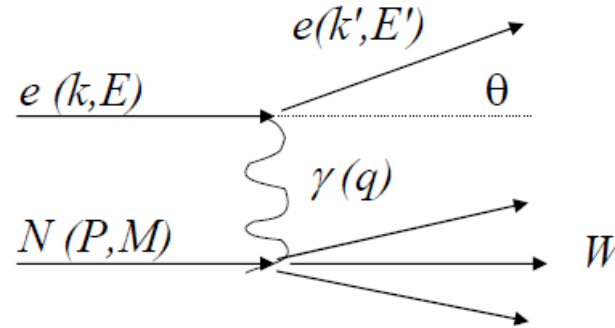
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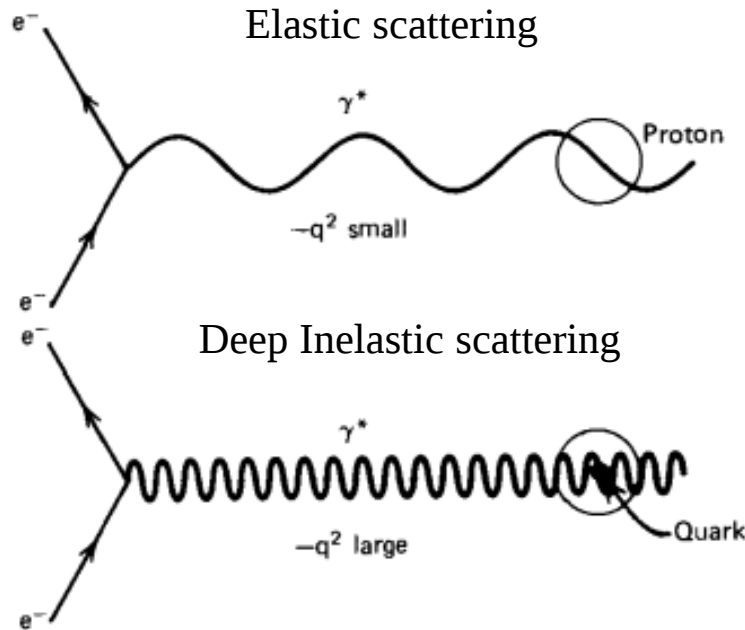
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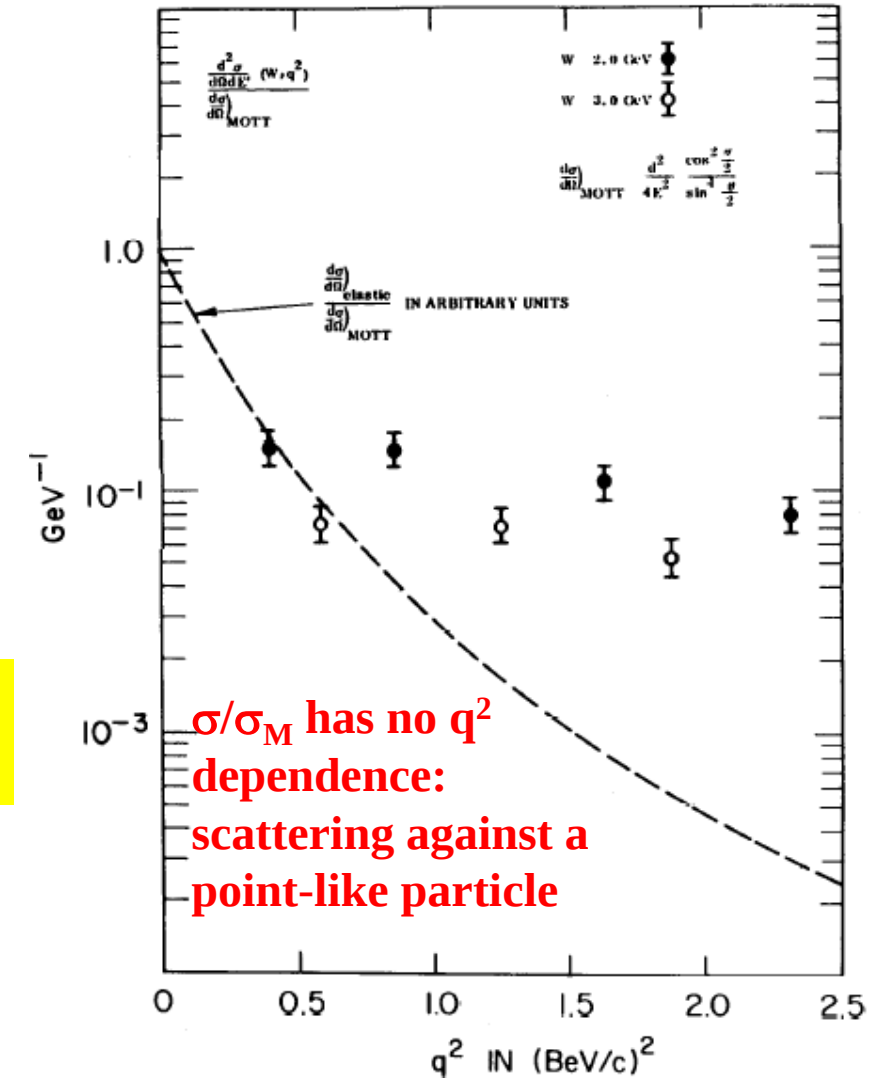


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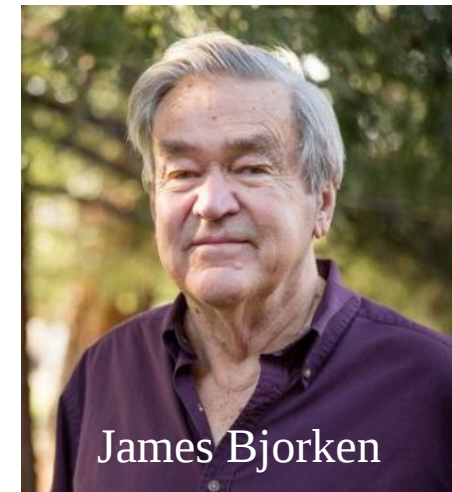
The parton model

Parton model (Feynman, 1969)

- Proton composed of point-like partons, from which the electrons scattered incoherently
- In an infinite momentum frame of reference, time dilation slows down the motion of constituents
- Partons are assumed not to interact with one another while the virtual photon is exchanged (impulse approximation)

In this theory, electrons scatter off “free” constituents and the scattering reflects the properties and motion of the constituents

The assumption of near-vanishing parton-parton interaction during electron scattering at high Q^2 was later shown to be a property of QCD known as *asymptotic freedom*



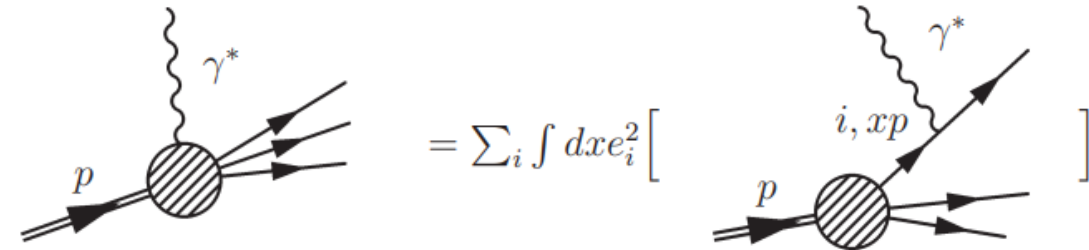
In the infinite momentum frame, parton momentum: xP

Energy-momentum conservation in the virtual photon-quark elastic scattering process:

$$(xP + q)^2 = x^2 \overset{\text{negligible}}{M^2} + 2xP \cdot q + Q^2$$

$$\rightarrow x = \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot q} = x_{Bjorken}$$

→ In the infinite momentum frame, the fraction of the proton's momentum carried by the struck quark is equal to the Bjorken scaling variable x_B

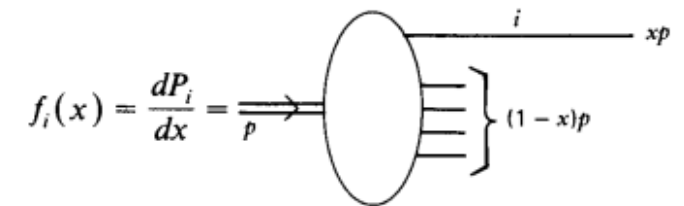


$f_i(x)$: probability that the struck parton i carries a fraction x of the proton's momentum

Callan-Gross relation: $2xF_1(x) = F_2(x)$

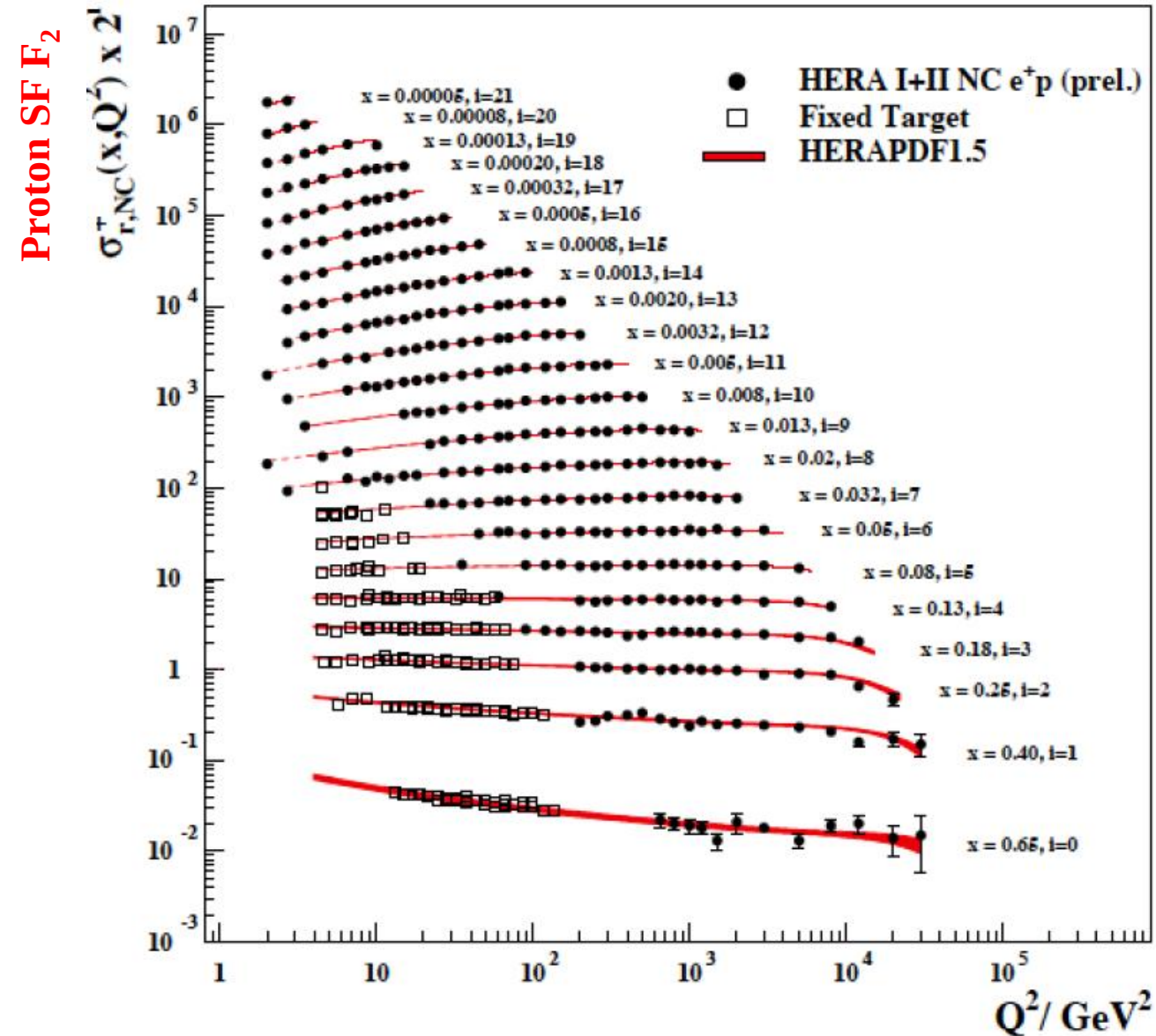
Verified experimentally, it reflects the fact that partons inside the proton are **spin-1/2 particles**

$$2xF_1(x) = F_2(x) = \sum_i e_i^2 x f_i(x)$$



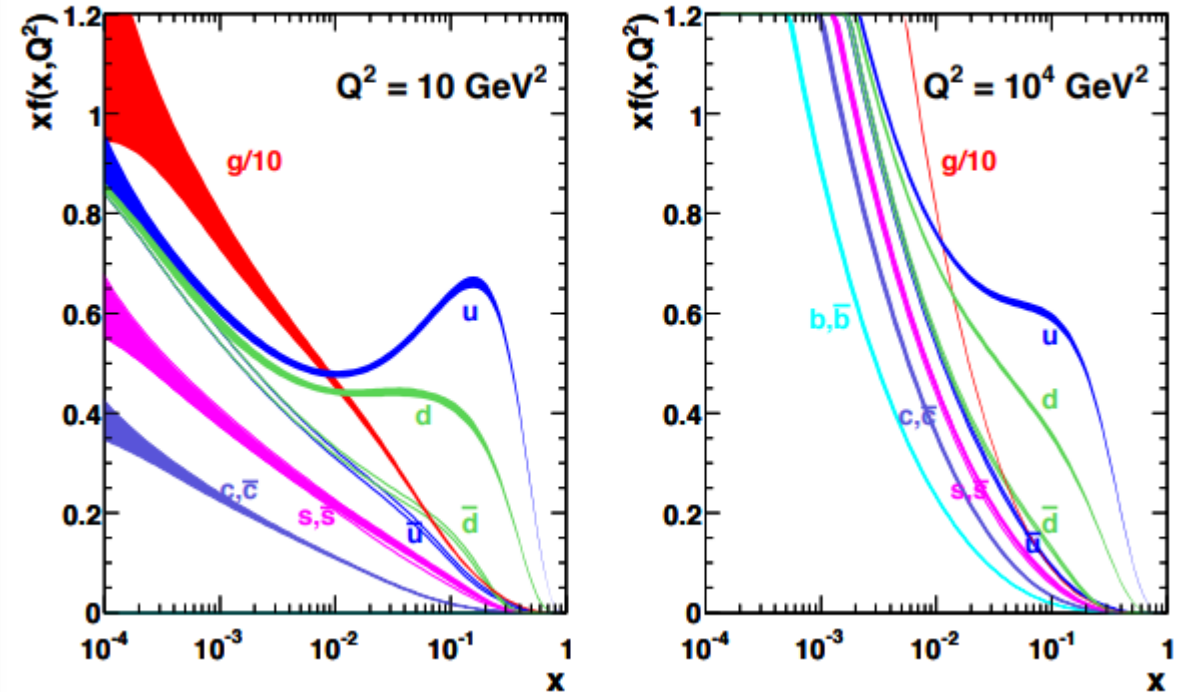
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$$F_{2p}(x) = x \left[\frac{4}{9} (u_p(x) + \bar{u}_p(x)) + \frac{1}{9} (d_p(x) + \bar{d}_p(x)) + \frac{1}{9} (s_p(x) + \bar{s}_p(x)) \right]$$

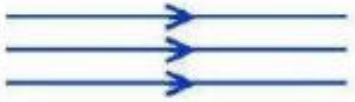
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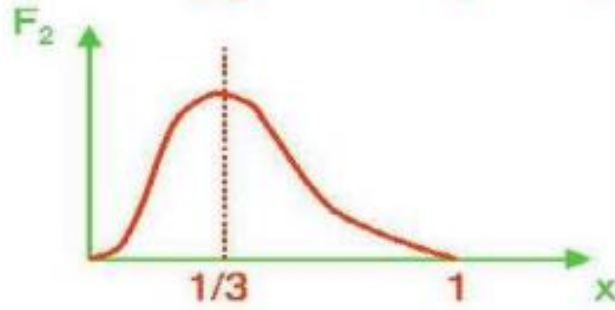
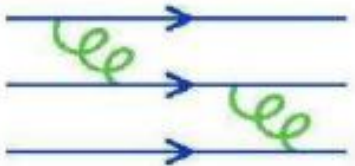
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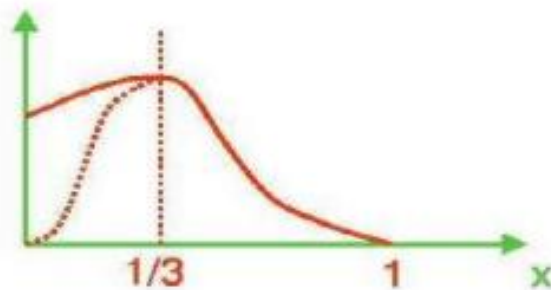
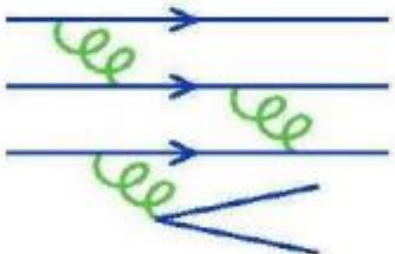
3 free quarks



3 bound quarks

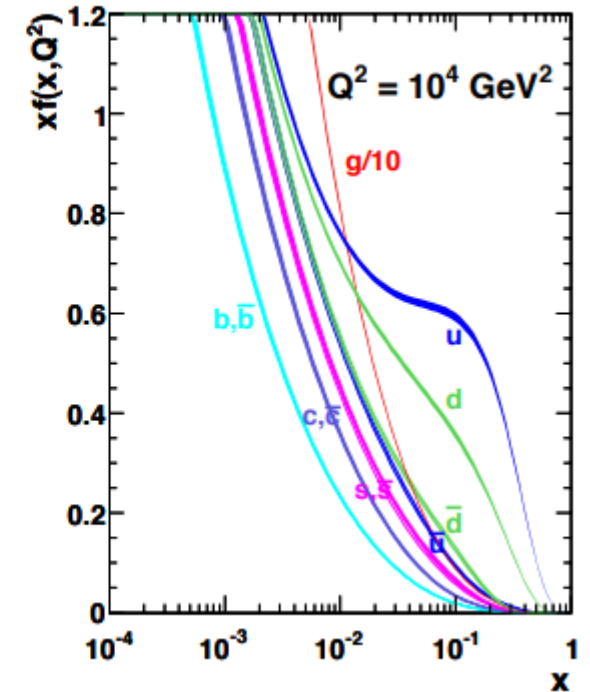
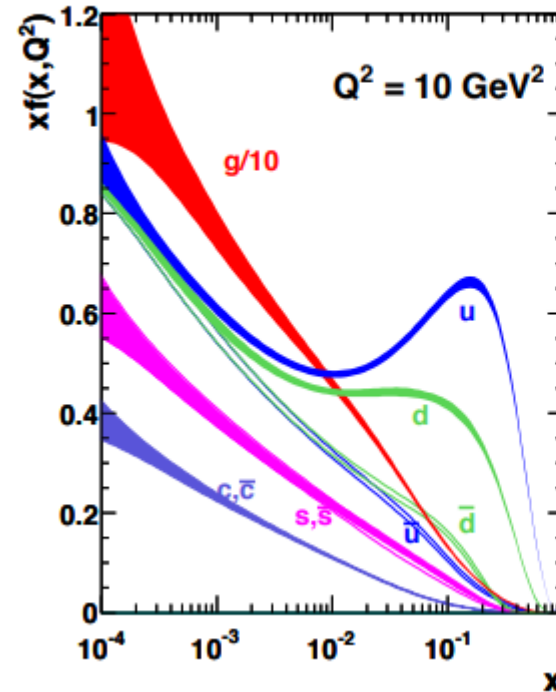


3 bound quarks plus "stuff"



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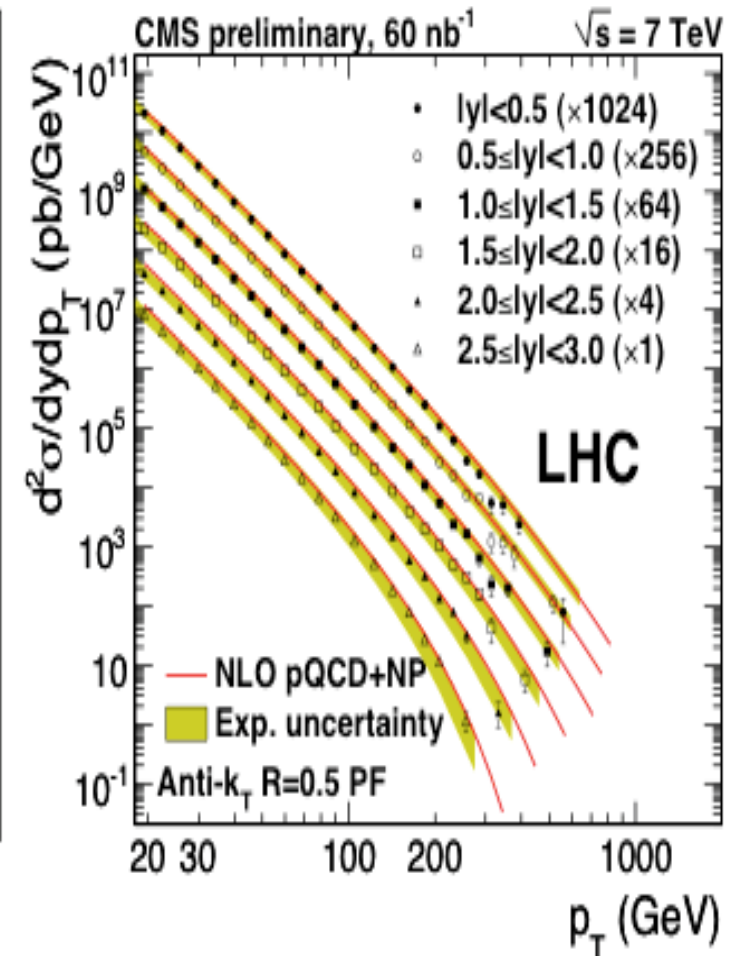
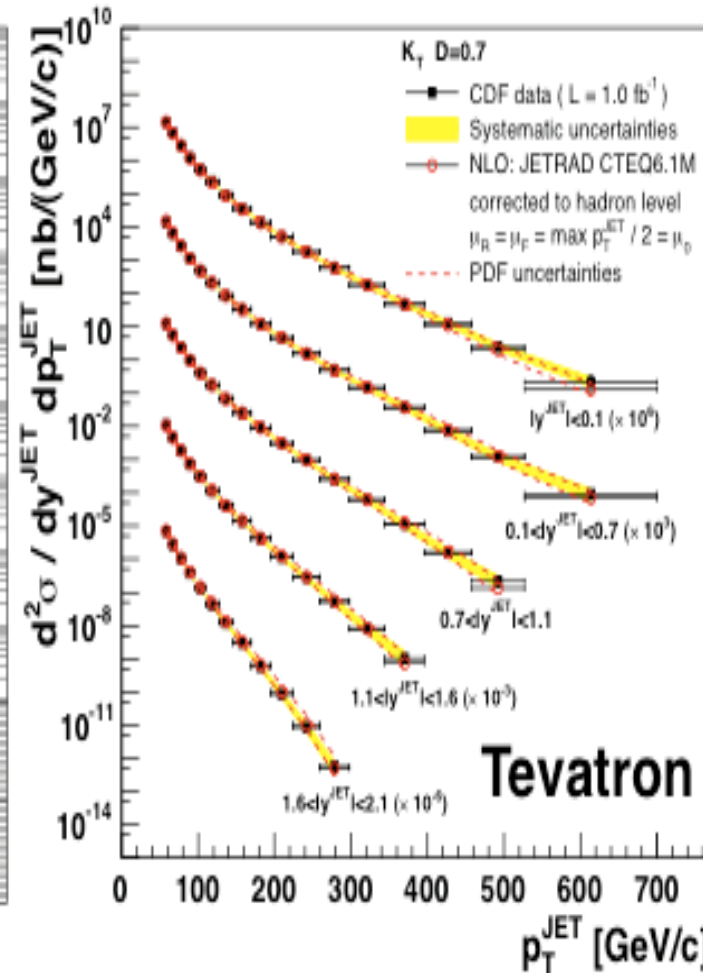
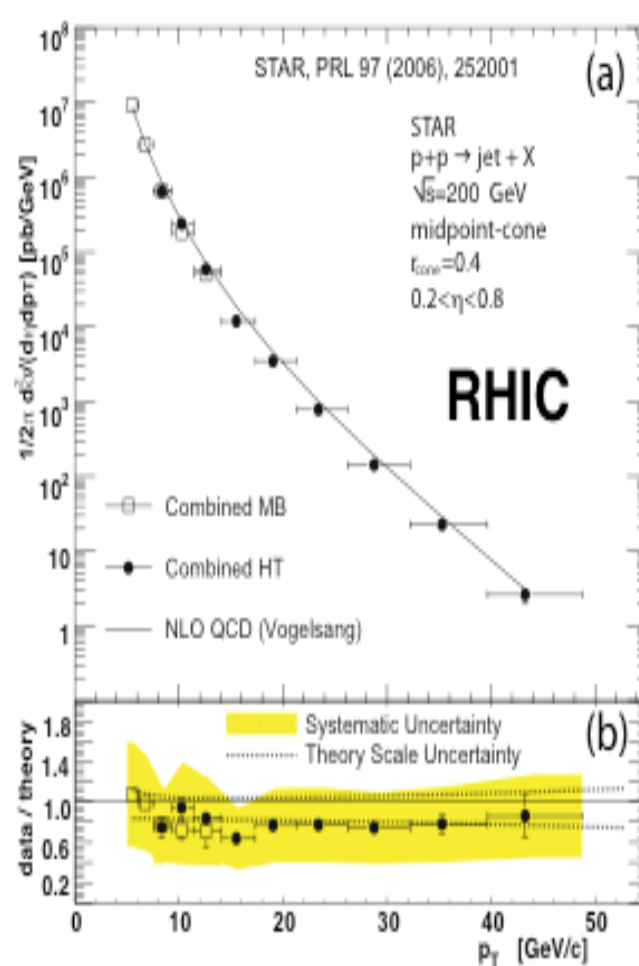
Valence quarks: $x > 0.1$; sea quarks and gluons: $x < 0.1$

DIS: Successes...

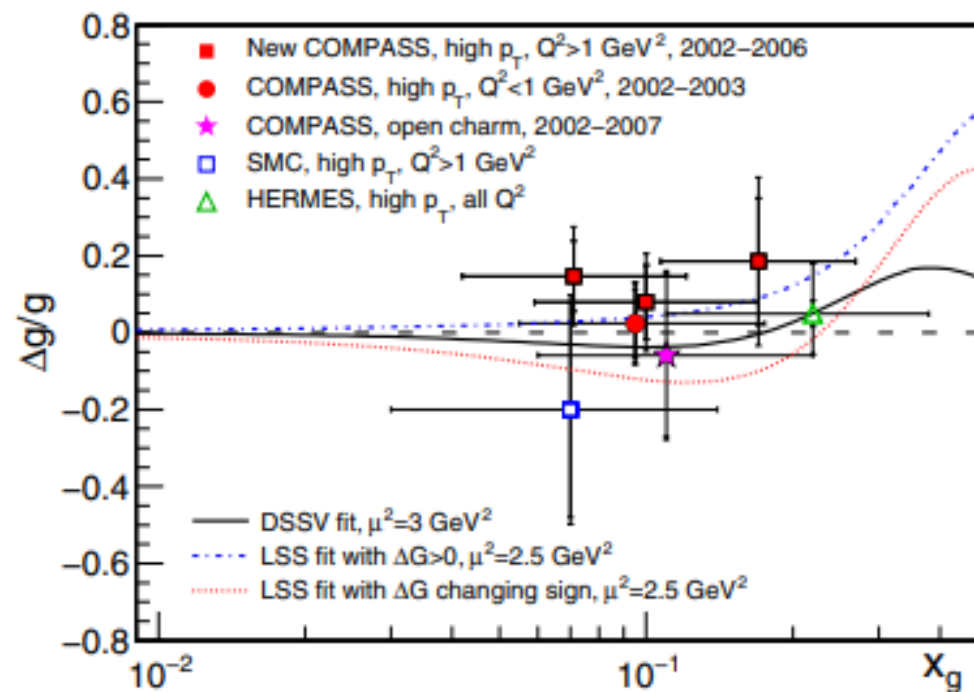
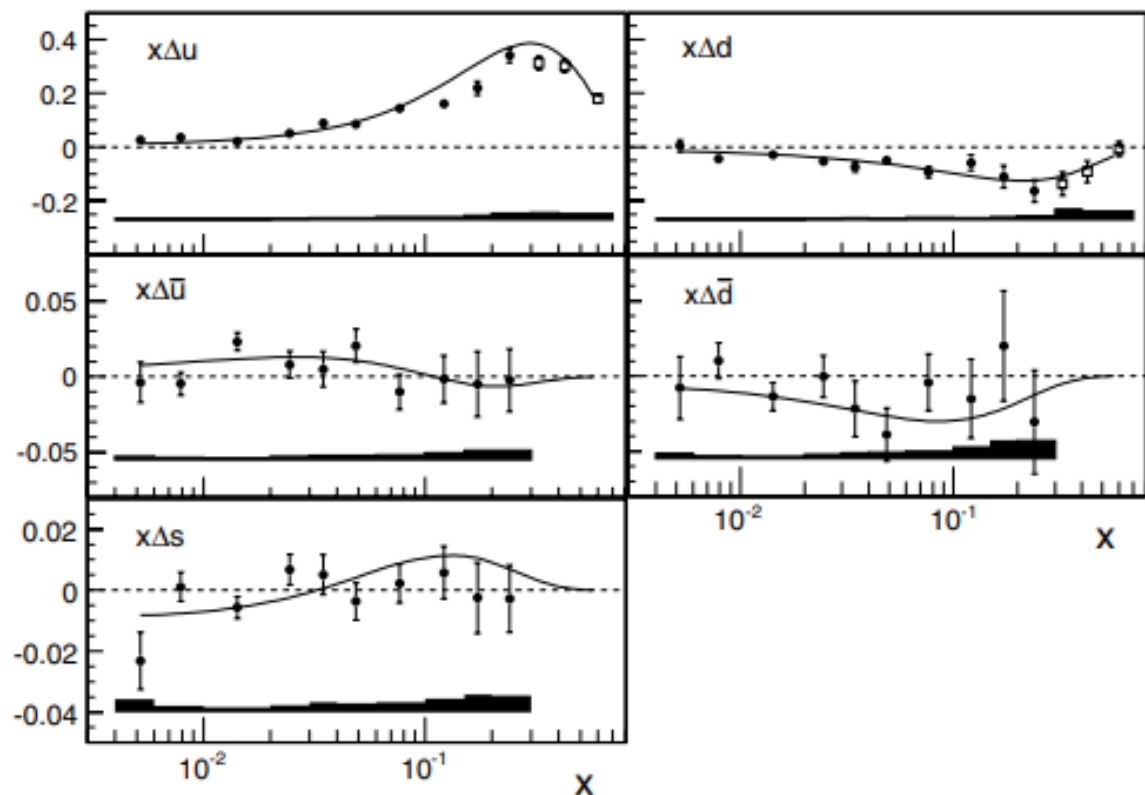
Measurements of F_2 in e-p at 0.3 TeV (HERA)

→ extraction quark and gluon PDFs

→ pQCD fits for p-p and p-p at 0.2, 1.96, and 7 TeV



...and open questions



Nucleon spin: $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta\Sigma + \mathbf{L} + \Delta\mathbf{G} + \mathbf{L}_g$

Intrinsic spin of the quarks $\Delta\Sigma \approx 30\%$

Intrinsic spin on the gluons $\Delta\mathbf{G} \approx 20\%$

Orbital angular momentum of the quarks $\mathbf{L}$?

Deep Inelastic Scattering: the QCD perspective

QCD factorization: at **high virtuality** Q^2 of the exchanged photon, the photon interacts with a **single quark** of the nucleon.
The complex, non-perturbative quark-gluon structure of the nucleon is encoded in the **structure functions (PDFs)**.

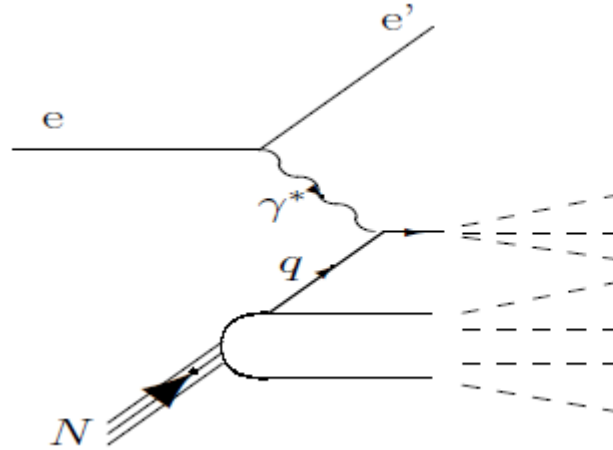
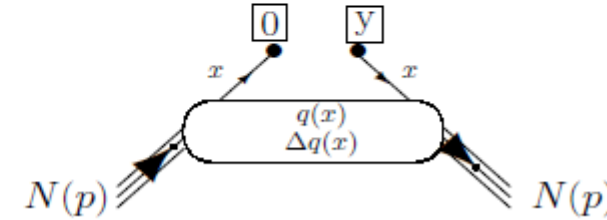


Illustration of the associated **non-local diagonal** matrix element accessed in DIS



The PDFs are **QCD operators** depending on spacetime coordinates. They are obtained as **one-dimensional Fourier transforms in the lightlike coordinate** y^- (at zero values of the other coordinates) as:

$$q(x) = \frac{p^+}{4\pi} \int dy^- e^{ixp^+y^-} \langle p | \bar{\psi}_q(0) \gamma^+ \psi_q(y) | p \rangle \Big|_{y^+ = \vec{y}_\perp = 0},$$

$$\Delta q(x) = \frac{p^+}{4\pi} \int dy^- e^{ixp^+y^-} \langle p S_\parallel | \bar{\psi}_q(0) \gamma^+ \gamma_5 \psi_q(y) | p S_\parallel \rangle \Big|_{y^+ = \vec{y}_\perp = 0},$$

ψ_q : quark field of flavor q ; p : initial and final nucleon momentum (it is the same for DIS by virtue of the optical theorem)
 x : momentum fraction of the struck quark; $S_\parallel$ is the longitudinal nucleon spin projection

Light-front frame: the initial and final nucleons are collinear along the z -axis and the light-front components are:

$$a^\pm = (a^0 \pm a^3)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$a_\perp = (a^1, a^2) = a^i$$

Non-local: the space-time coordinates of the initial and final quark are different

Diagonal: the momenta of the initial and final nucleon are the same

Elastic scattering: the QCD perspective

Elastic scattering: **the struck quark remains in the nucleon**.
The nucleon has changed its momentum in the process but **it remains a nucleon**

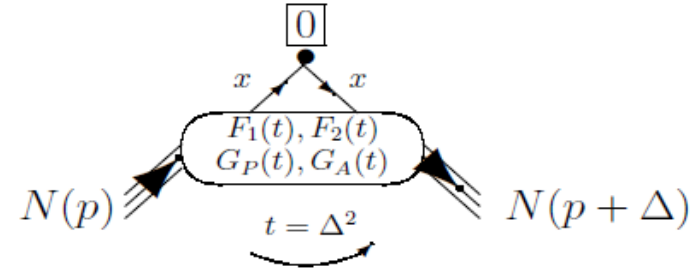
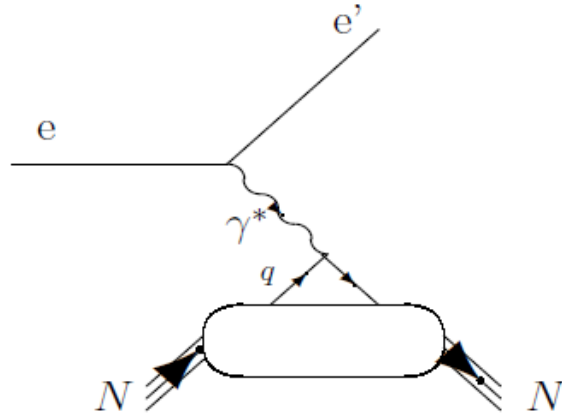


Illustration of the associated **local non-diagonal** matrix element accessed in elastic lepton-nucleon scattering.

The long-distance “soft” physics is factorized in the Form Factors (FF) $F_1^q(t)$, $F_2^q(t)$, $G_A^q(t)$ and $G_P^q(t)$, where $t = (p_N - p'_N)^2 = -Q^2$.
In the **light-front frame**, the squared momentum **transfer t is the conjugate variable of the impact parameter** (= transverse position)
→ **the FFs reflect, via a Fourier transform, the spatial distributions of quarks in the plane transverse to the nucleon direction.**

The FFs are related to the following **vector and axial-vector QCD local operators** in space-time coordinates:

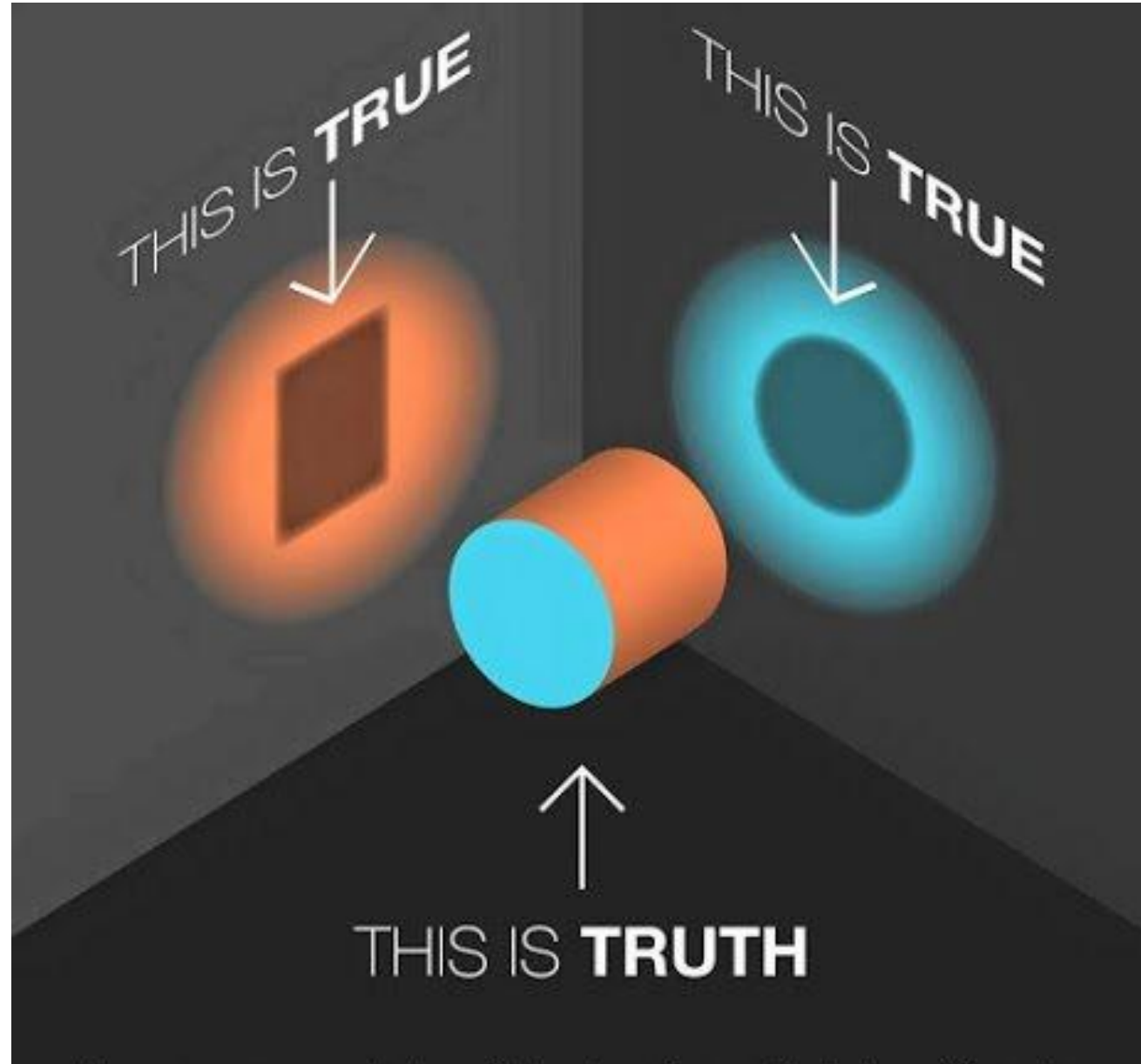
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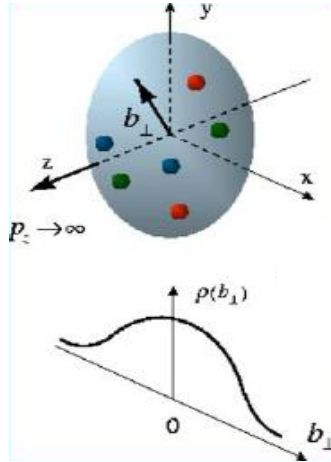
Non-diagonal: the momenta of the initial and final nucleon are different

G_A , G_P : weak interaction;
accessed in neutrino scattering

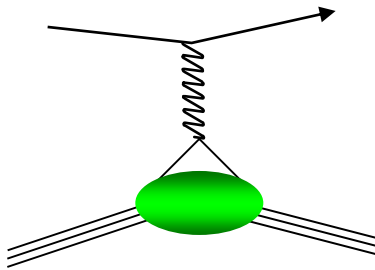
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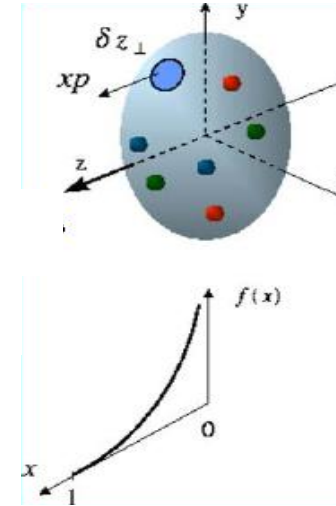


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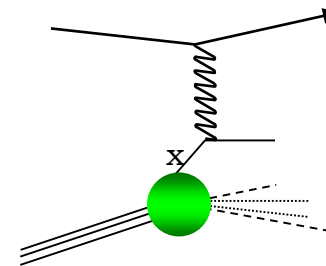


Elastic scattering

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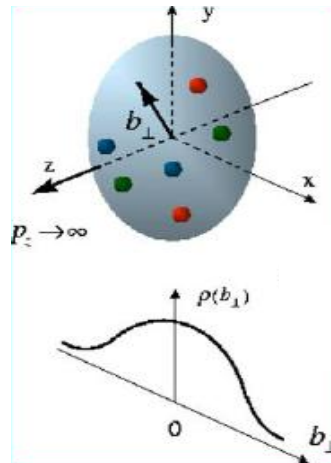


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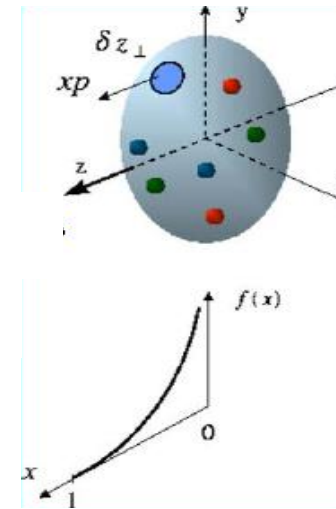
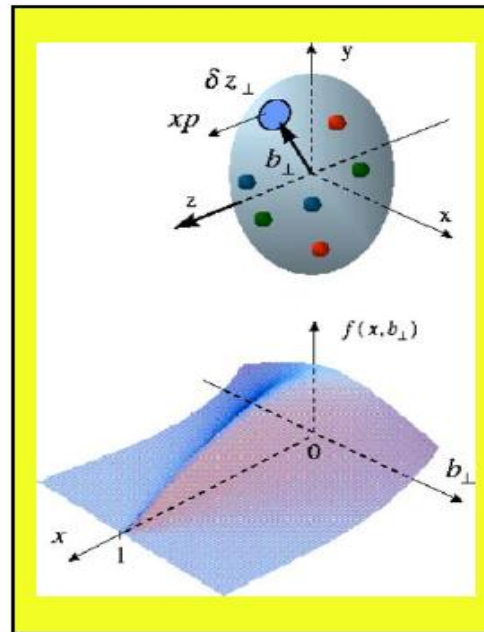
DIS

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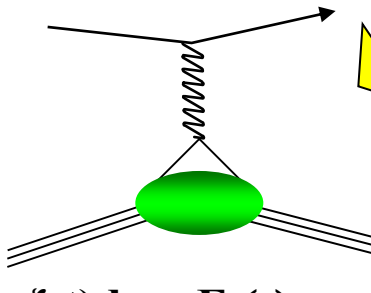
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GPDs: $H, E, \tilde{H}, \tilde{E}$
**Fully correlated quark
distributions in both coordinate
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Elastic scattering



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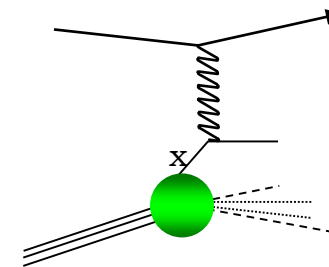
$$\int E(x, \xi, t) dx = F_2(t) \quad (\forall \xi)$$

**Accessible in
hard exclusive processes**

At high Q^2

The final state is fully known

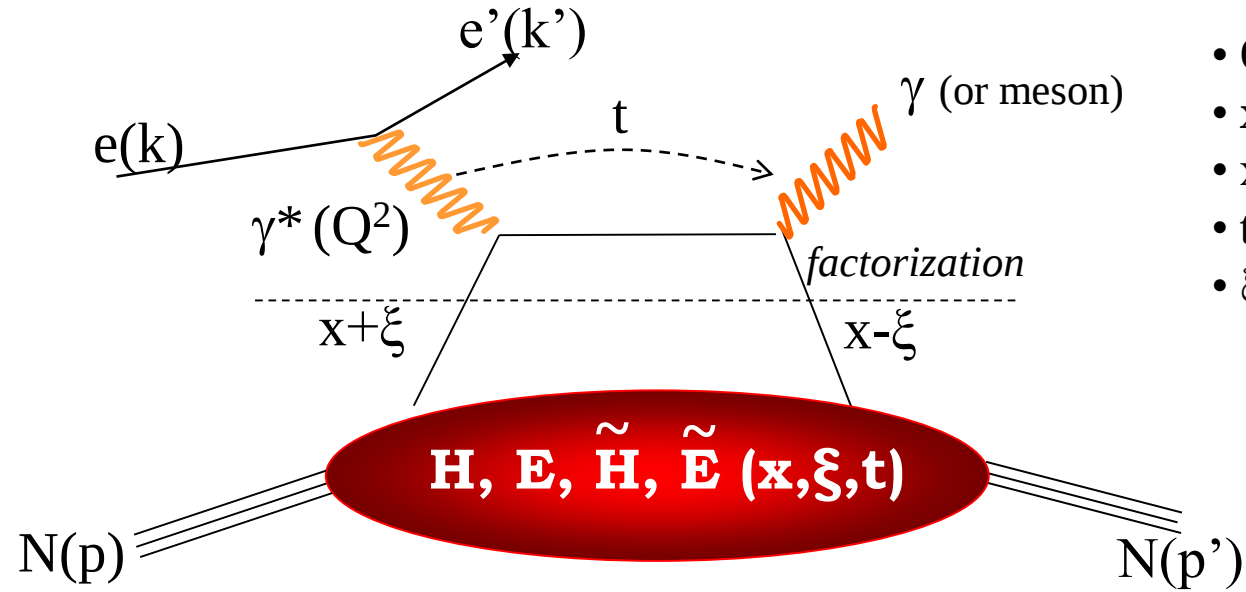
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$$H(x, 0, 0) = q(x),$$

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Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs)

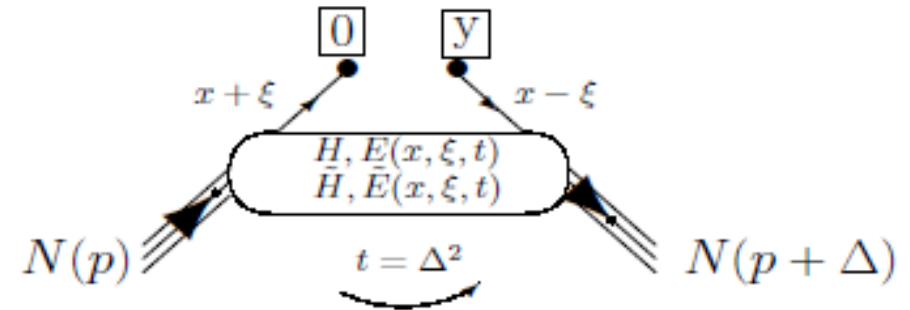


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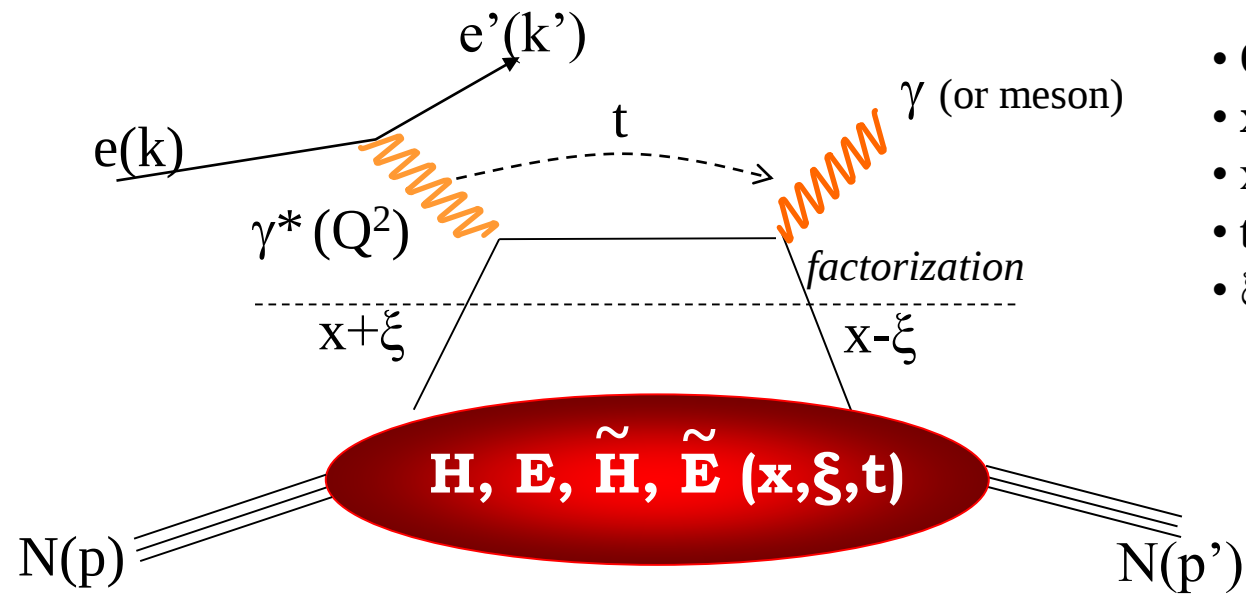
« Handbag » factorization, valid in the **Bjorken regime** (high Q^2 and v , fixed x_B), $t \ll Q^2$

GPDs: Fourier transforms of **non-local, non-diagonal** QCD operators

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{P^+}{2\pi} \int dy^- e^{ixP^+y^-} \langle p' | \bar{\psi}_q(0) \gamma^+ \psi_q(y) | p \rangle \Big|_{y^+ = \bar{y}^+ = 0} \\ &= H^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{N}(p') \gamma^+ N(p) + E^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{N}(p') i\sigma^{+\nu} \frac{\Delta_\nu}{2m_N} N(p) , \\ & \frac{P^+}{2\pi} \int dy^- e^{ixP^+y^-} \langle p' | \bar{\psi}_q(0) \gamma^+ \gamma^5 \psi_q(y) | p \rangle \Big|_{y^+ = \bar{y}^+ = 0} \\ &= \tilde{H}^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{N}(p') \gamma^+ \gamma^5 N(p) + \tilde{E}^q(x, \xi, t) \bar{N}(p') \gamma^5 \frac{\Delta^+}{2m_N} N(p) , \end{aligned}$$



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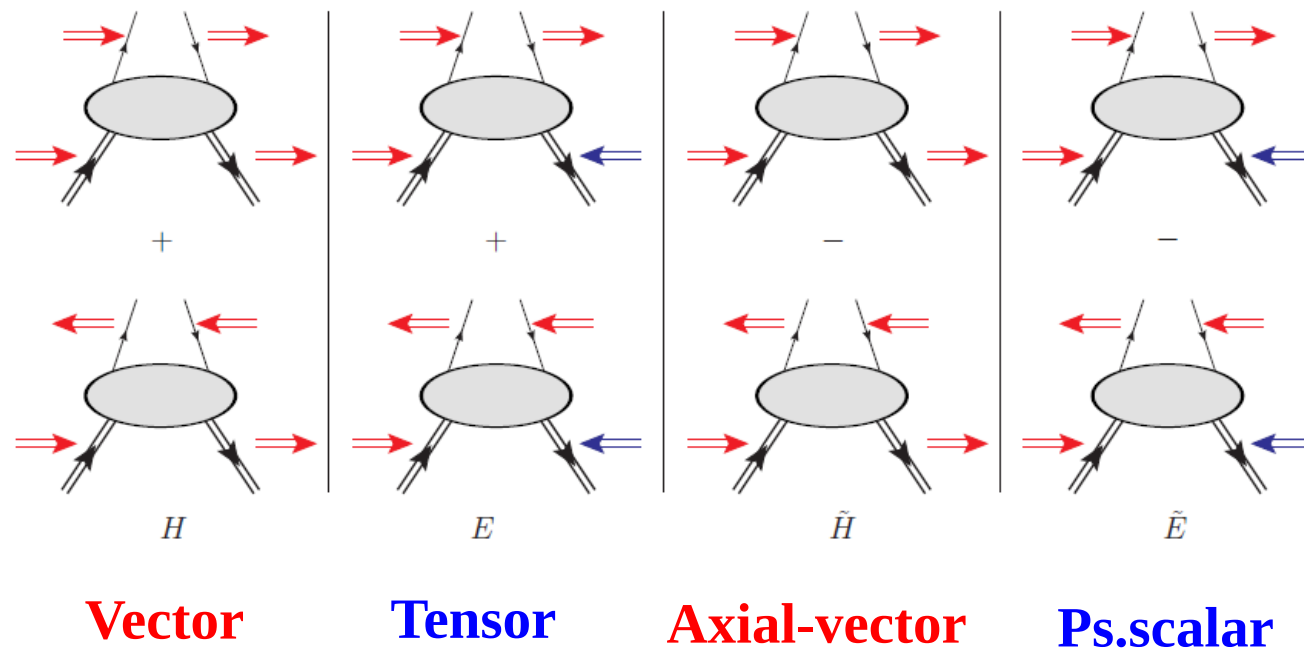


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4 GPDs for each quark flavor
(leading order, leading twist, quark-helicity conservation)

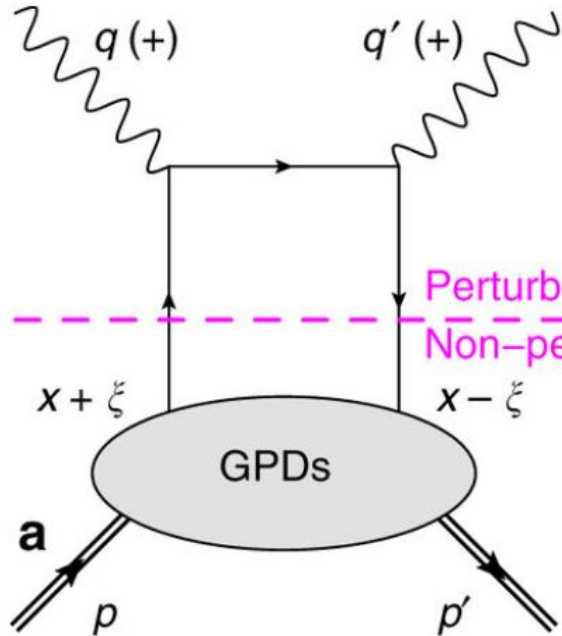
conserve nucleon spin
flip nucleon spin

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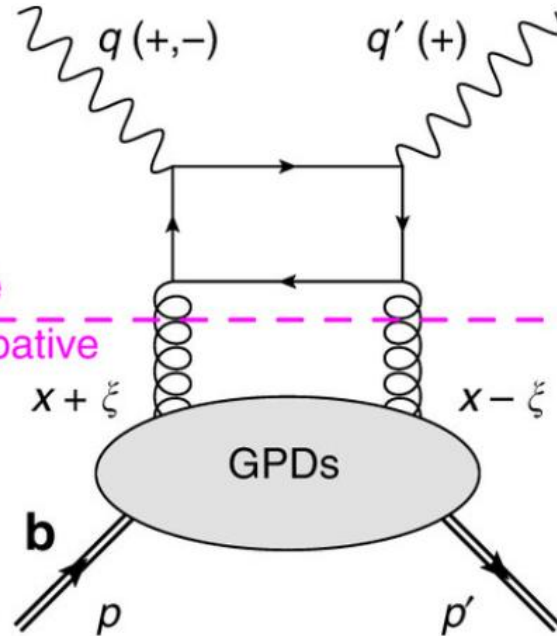


Order, twist: examples for DVCS

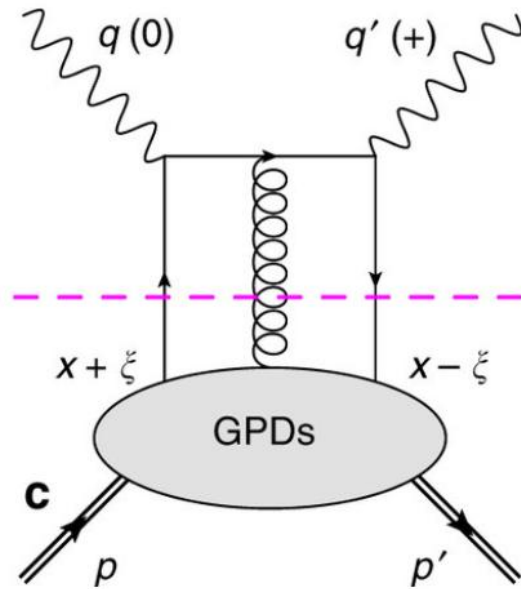
Leading order, leading twist



Next-to-leading order, leading twist

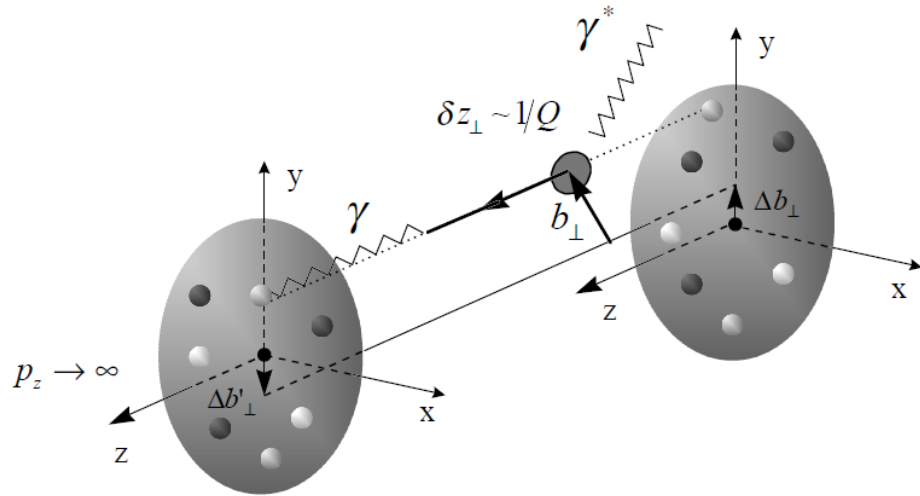


Leading order, twist 3

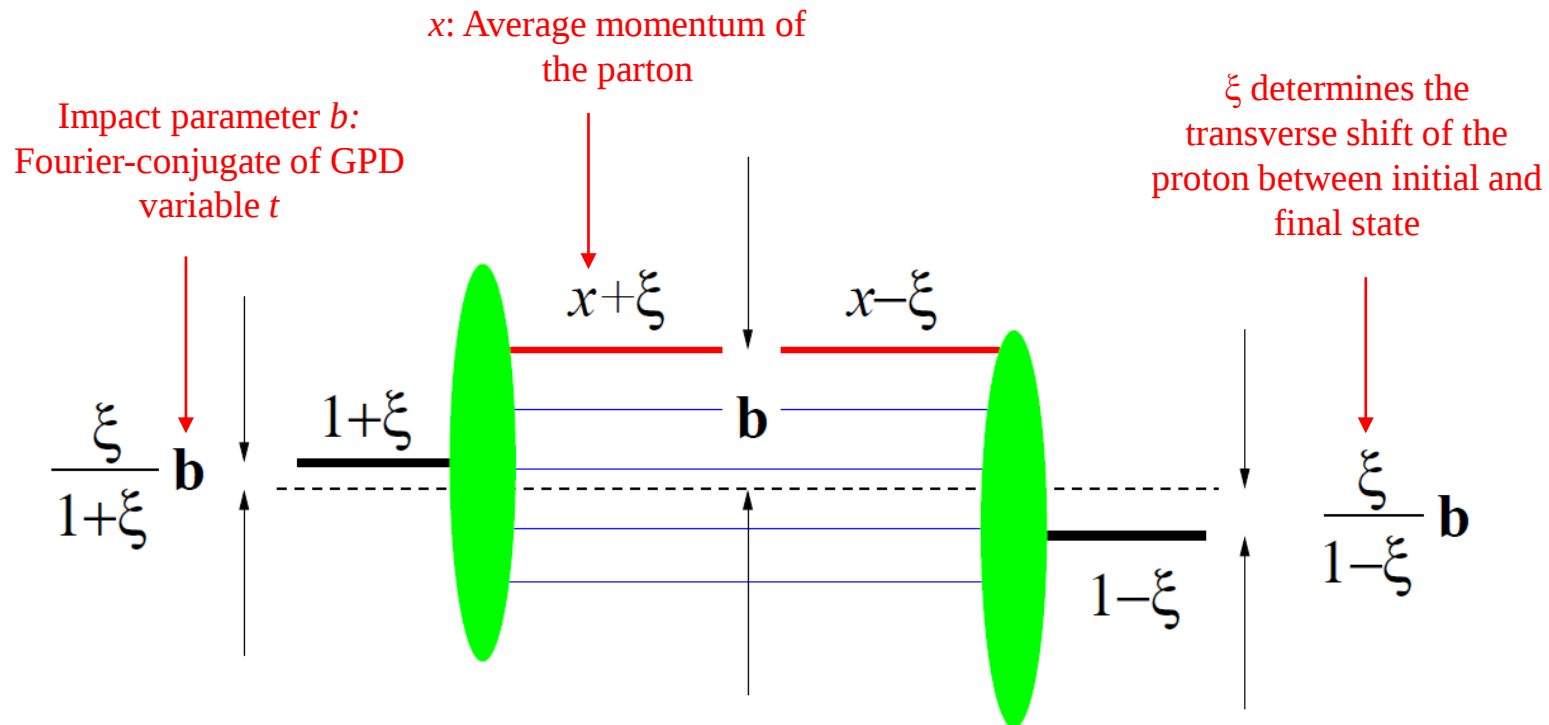


- Twist appears as powers of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{Q^2}}$ in the DVCS amplitude
- Order appears as powers of α_s
- General definition of **twist** of an operator: difference between the operator's dimension d and its spin s : $\tau = d - s$
- Leading twist: twist = 2

Physical interpretation of GPDs



The 'blobs' represent the light-cone wave functions of the incoming or the outgoing proton



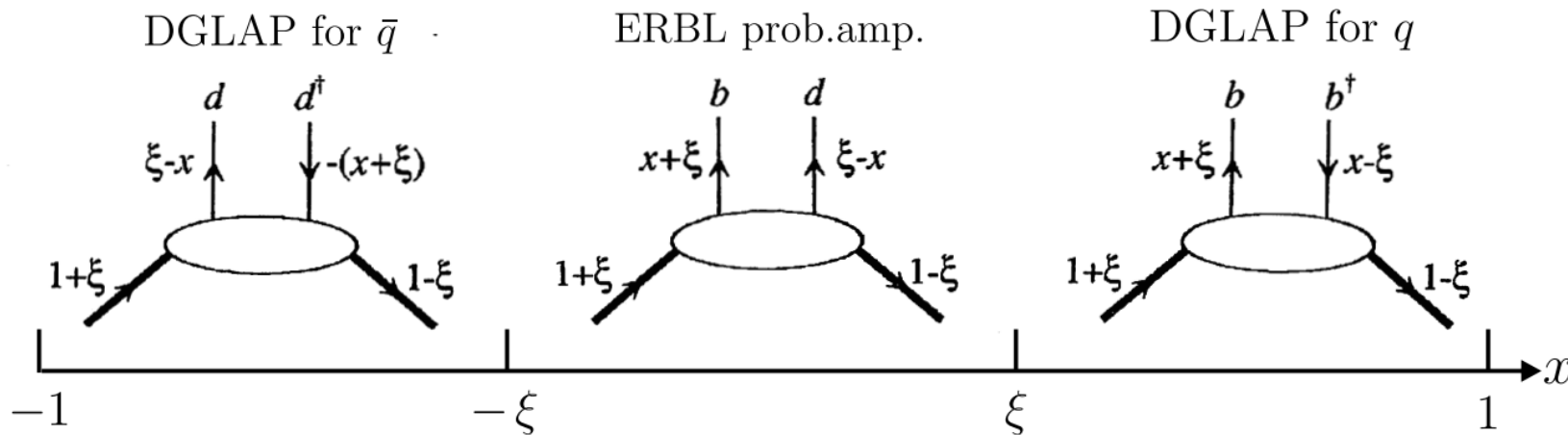
→ GPDs correlate wave functions for different parton configurations and thus are quantum-mechanical interference terms

Properties of GPDs

$$\left. \begin{aligned} H(x, 0, 0) &= q(x) \\ \tilde{H}(x, 0, 0) &= \Delta q(x) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Forward limit: PDFs} \\ \text{(not for E, E)}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \int H(x, \xi, t) dx &= F_1(t) \quad \forall \xi \\ \int E(x, \xi, t) dx &= F_2(t) \quad \forall \xi \\ \int \tilde{H}(x, \xi, t) dx &= G_A(t) \quad \forall \xi \\ \int \tilde{E}(x, \xi, t) dx &= G_P(t) \quad \forall \xi \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Link with FFs}$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 dx x^n H(x, \xi, t) = a_0 + a_2 \xi^2 + a_4 \xi^4 + \dots + a_n \xi^n \quad \text{Polynomiality}$$



- DGLAP region: scattering from quarks ($x > \xi > 0$) or anti-quarks ($x < -\xi < 0$)
- ERBL region ($-\xi < x < \xi$): scattering results in a $q\bar{q}$ pair

DGLAP: Dokshitzer, Gribov, Lipatov, Altarelli, Parisi
ERBL: Efremov, Radyushkin, Brodsky, Lepage

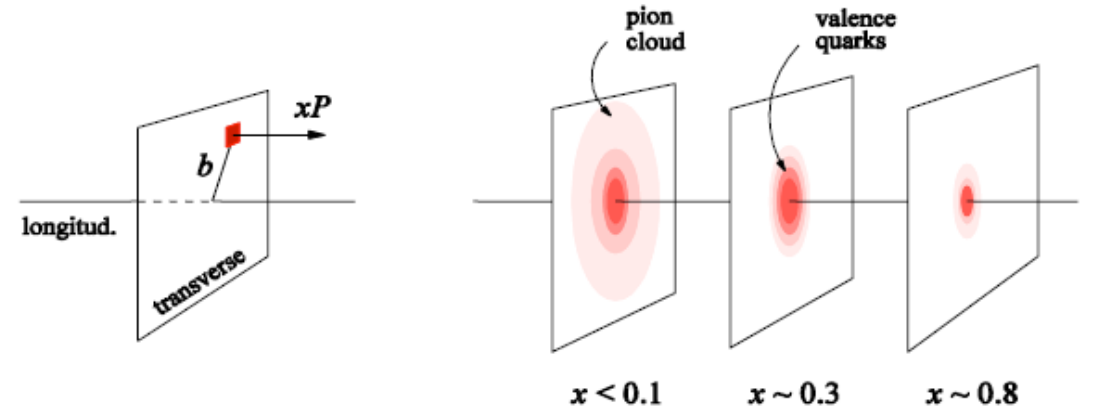
What we can learn from GPDs

Nucleon tomography

$$q(x, b_{\perp}) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{d^2 \Delta_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\Delta_{\perp} b_{\perp}} H(x, 0, -\Delta_{\perp}^2)$$

$$\Delta q(x, b_{\perp}) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{d^2 \Delta_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i\Delta_{\perp} b_{\perp}} \tilde{H}(x, 0, -\Delta_{\perp}^2)$$

M. Burkardt, PRD 62, 71503 (2000)



Probability to find a quark of a given momentum fraction at a given position in the transverse plane

Quark angular momentum (Ji's sum rule)

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x dx (H(x, \xi, t=0) + E(x, \xi, t=0)) = J = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma + \Delta L$$

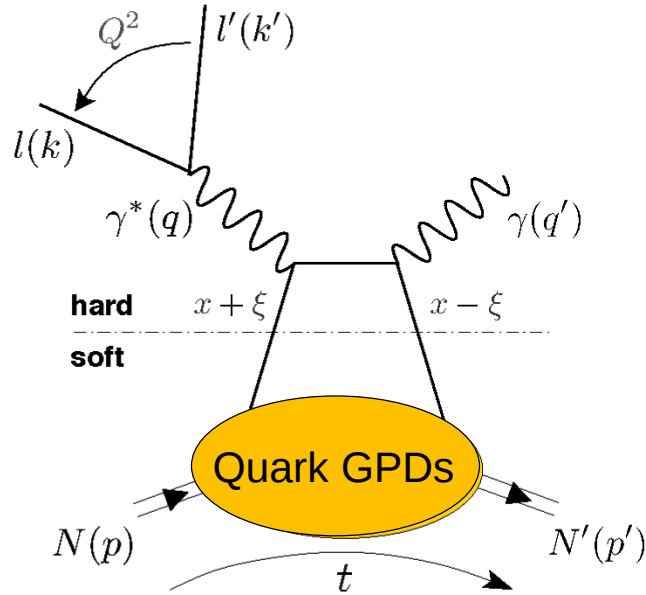
X. Ji, Phy.Rev.Lett.78 (1997)

Nucleon spin: $\frac{1}{2} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma + \Delta L}_{\mathbf{J}} + \mathbf{J}_G$

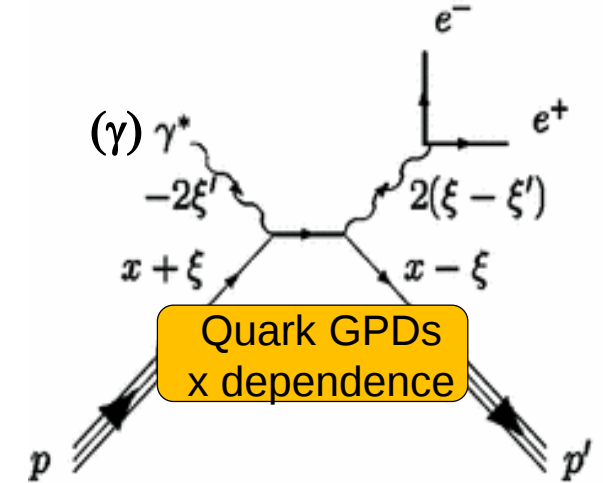
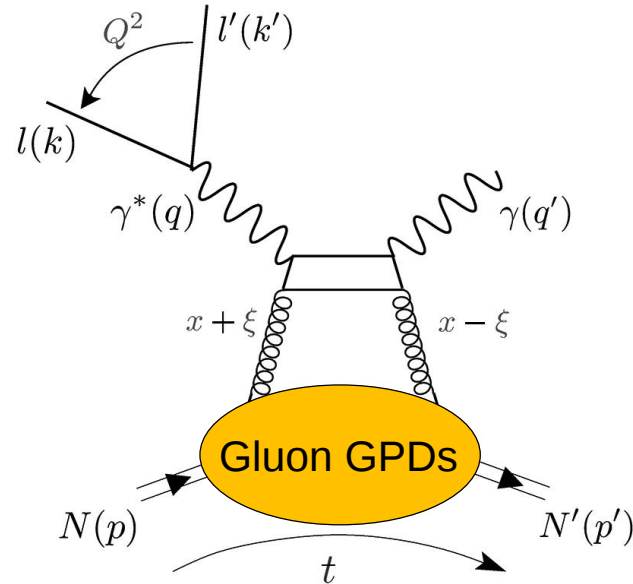
$$\int_{-1}^1 x H(x, \xi, t) dx = M_2(t) + \frac{4}{5} \xi^2 d_1(t)$$

Gravitational form factor → shear forces and pressure

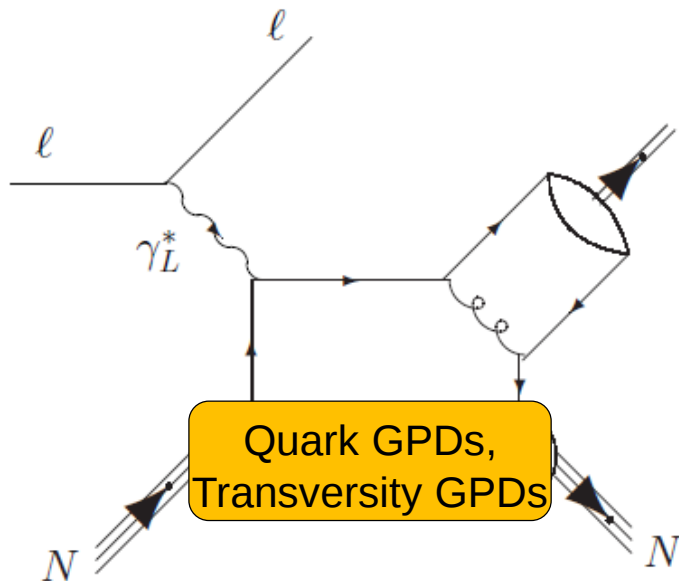
Exclusive reactions giving access to GPDs



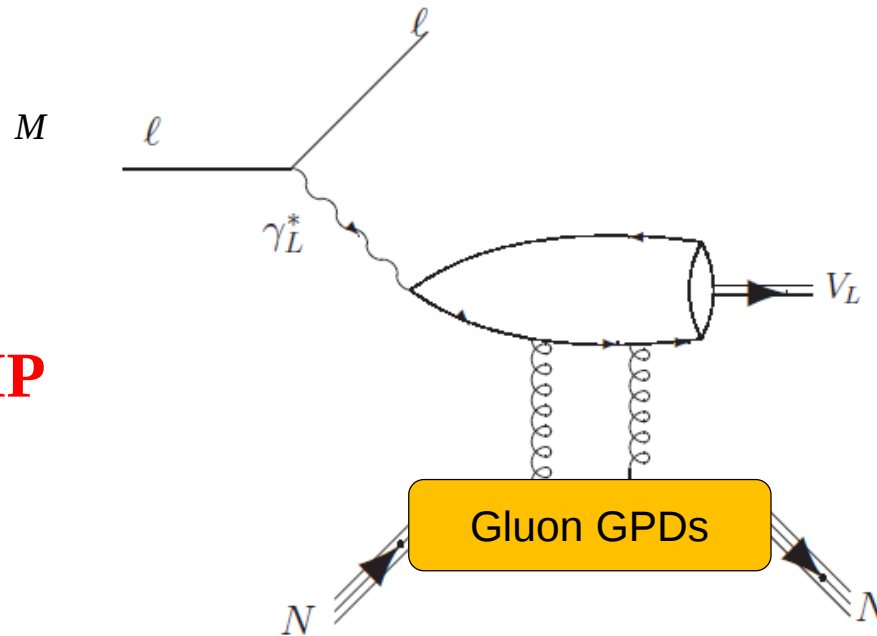
DVCS



(TCS), DDVCS



DVMP



**Universality
of GPDs**

Summary and sources

- Electron scattering on nucleons is one of the main tools to study nucleon structure
- Form factors, measured in elastic scattering, give us information on the transverse charge distribution of the partons
- Structure functions, measured in deep inelastic scattering, give us information on the longitudinal momentum distribution of the partons
- Generalized parton distributions correlate information on transverse position and longitudinal momentum of the partons
- They can give access to: OAM of the quarks, tomography, distribution of forces
- They can be measured in exclusive reactions, where the full final state is known, at high virtuality of the exchanged photon

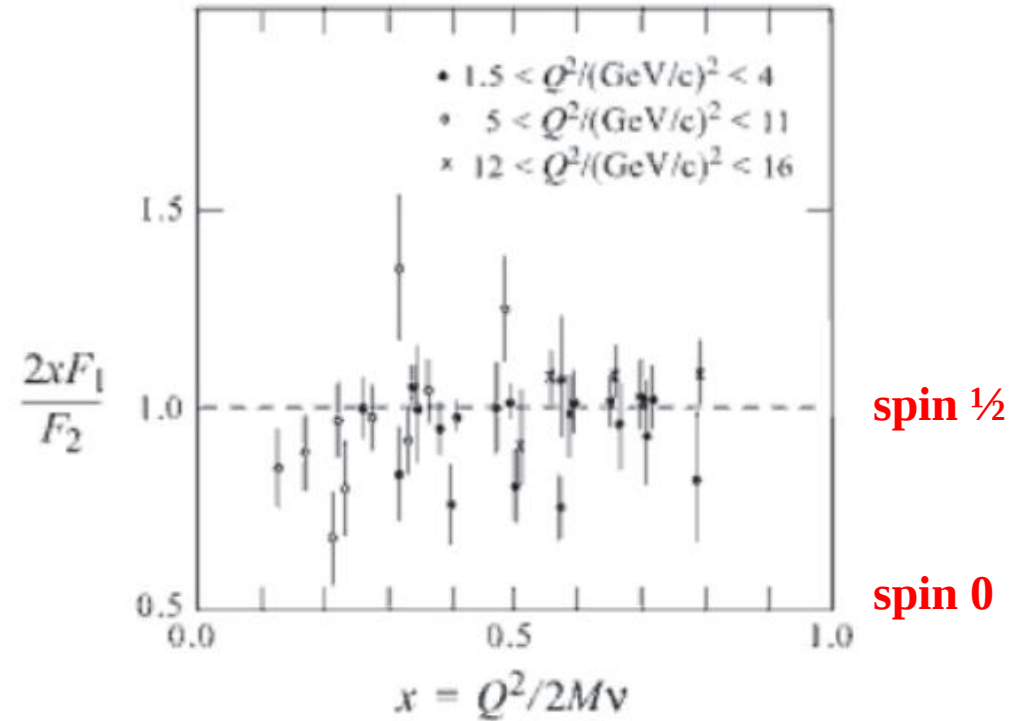
- « Quarks and leptons: an introductory course on modern particle physics », F. Halzen, A. D. Martin
- Nobel Lecture, R. Hofstadter
- Nobel Lecture, H. Kendall
- Articles by: A. Radyuskin, X.D. Ji, D. Mueller, M. Diehl, M. Burkardt, M. Guidal and M. Vanderhaeghen, J. Arrington, H. Attati, C. Mezrag, C. Lorcé, ...
- HUGS lectures of my predecessors and colleagues: C. M. Camacho, D. Sokhan

Back-up slides

Quarks' spin discovery

The Callan-Gross relation

- Bjorken scaling established that DIS must be described in terms of parton-photon processes.
- But what are the properties of these point-like constituents?
- In 1969 Callan and Gross suggested that the two Bjorken's scaling functions are related: $2xF_1(x) = F_2(x)$.
- This reflects the assumption that the partons inside the proton are **spin-1/2 particles** (spin-0 would lead to $2xF_1(x)/F_2(x) = 0$)
- (It can be derived by comparing the e-p and e-μ differential cross sections)



Charge distribution		Form factor	
point	$f(r) = \delta(r - r_0)$	$F(q^2) = 1$	unity
exponential	$f(r) = \frac{a^3}{8\pi} e^{-ar}$	$F(q^2) = \left[\frac{1}{1 + q^2/a^2} \right]^2$	dipole
Yukawa	$f(r) = \frac{a^2}{4\pi r} e^{-ar}$	$F(q^2) = \frac{1}{1 + q^2/a^2}$	pole
Gaussian	$f(r) = \left(\frac{a^2}{2\pi} \right)^{3/2} e^{-(a^2 r^2/2)}$	$F(q^2) = e^{-(q^2/2a^2)}$	Gaussian