

# On the Dipole picture in photon induced reactions

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# 1 Introduction, Motivation

Consider a photon induced hadronic reaction at high energies, for instance

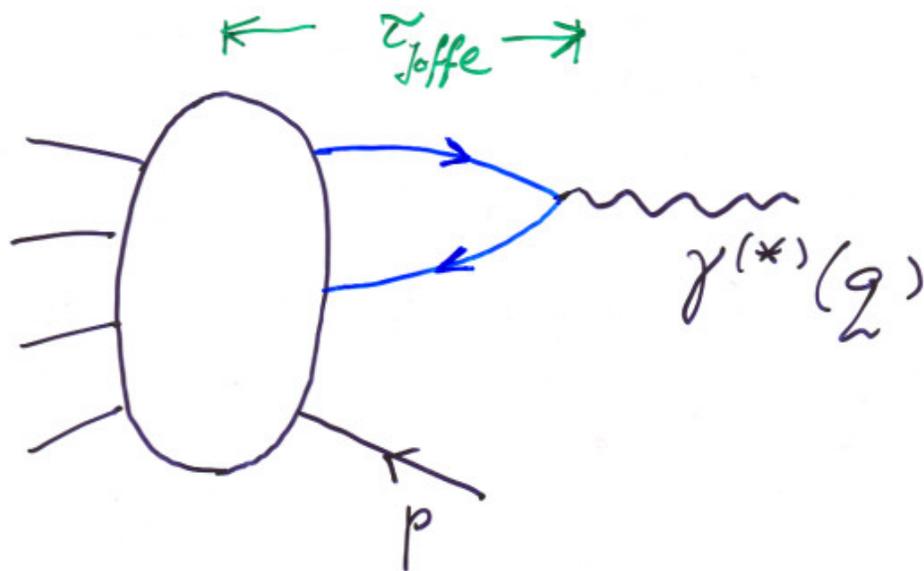
$$\gamma^{(*)}(q) + p(p) \rightarrow X$$

Restframe of target  $p$  :

$\gamma^{(*)}$  fluctuates into a virtual quark - antiquark pair long before hitting the proton.

Interaction of  $\gamma^{(*)}$  is equivalent to the interaction of the colour dipole  $q\bar{q}$  pair.

This is similar to the picture developed by Joffe (1969) of  $\gamma^*$  fluctuating to hadrons.



$$|\vec{q}| \rightarrow \infty$$

Joffe time  $\tau_{\text{Joffe}} \approx Q^2/m^2 \rightarrow \infty$

Revival of interest in this approach  
for DIS :

Nikolaev & Zakharov, 1991, 1992

Mueller, 1994, 1995

....

Dipole approach for hadrons in  
soft hadronic high energy scattering

Dosch, Krämer, Ferreira, O.N., 1990...

Successful applications to DIS:

Golec-Biernat & Wüsthoff, 1999, ...

Forshaw, Kerley, Shaw, 1999, ...

Donnachie, Dosch,

McDermott, Buchmüller, Hebecker,

J. Bartels et al.,

....

Dipole picture is frequently

(mis-?) used to motivate

saturation in photon-induced

reactions, e.g. to claim a Froissart-limit for  $\gamma^{(*)}p$  total cross sections:

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(\gamma^{(*)}p) \leq \text{const.} (\ln(s/s_0))^2$$

for  $s \rightarrow \infty$

## Our motivation (C. Ewerz, O. N.):

- How far can we come to give a rigorous foundation for something like the dipole picture of photon-induced reactions?
- Such a foundation should be a prerequisite for deriving reliable results for saturation.
- We do not rely on perturbation theory but use functional-integral techniques (see O. N., Ann. Phys. 209, 436 (91)).
- Can we give a definition of the "photon wave function" using Lagrangian functional integral techniques?

## 2 Rigorous Results

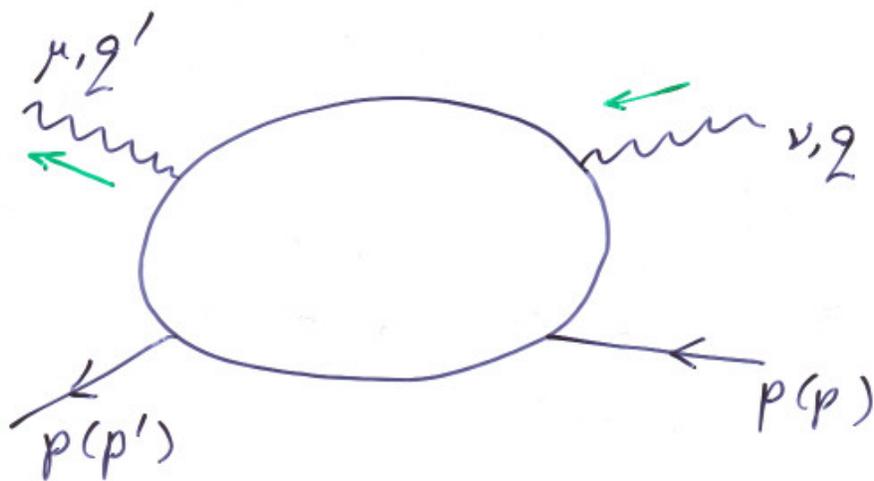
Consider as an example real or virtual Compton scattering on a proton

$$\gamma^{(*)}(q) + p(p) \rightarrow \gamma^{(*)}(q') + p(p')$$

$$q^2 = -Q^2 \leq 0,$$

$$q'^2 = -Q'^2 \leq 0.$$

$$\gamma^{(*)}(q) + p(p) \rightarrow \gamma^{(*)}(q') + p(p')$$



$$M_{s's}^{\mu\nu}(p', p, q) = \frac{i}{2\pi m_p} \int d^4x e^{-iqx}$$

$$\langle p(p', s') | T^* \gamma^\mu(0) \gamma^\nu(x) | p(p, s) \rangle$$

Now we use the LSZ reduction formula and express Green's functions as functional integrals.

- LSZ reduction formula:

$$M_{s's}^{\mu\nu} = \text{Integral over Green's function}$$

- Express Green's function as functional integral

Green's function =

$$\int \mathcal{D}(G, q, \bar{q}) \exp \left[ i \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}(x) \right] \dots$$

- Integrate out the quarks using the fact that  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}$  is bilinear in the quark degrees of freedom

- Result;  $\gamma$  contributions to the Compton amplitude

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}^{(a)} + \mathcal{M}^{(b)} + \dots + \mathcal{M}^{(g)}$$

Diagrammatic representation:

- (i) Calculate diagrams for fixed gluon potential, where



means full quark propagator in this potential.

- (ii) Integrate over all gluon potentials with a measure given by the functional integral. This includes the fermion determinant, gauge fixing and Fadeev - Popov terms.

leading at high energy :

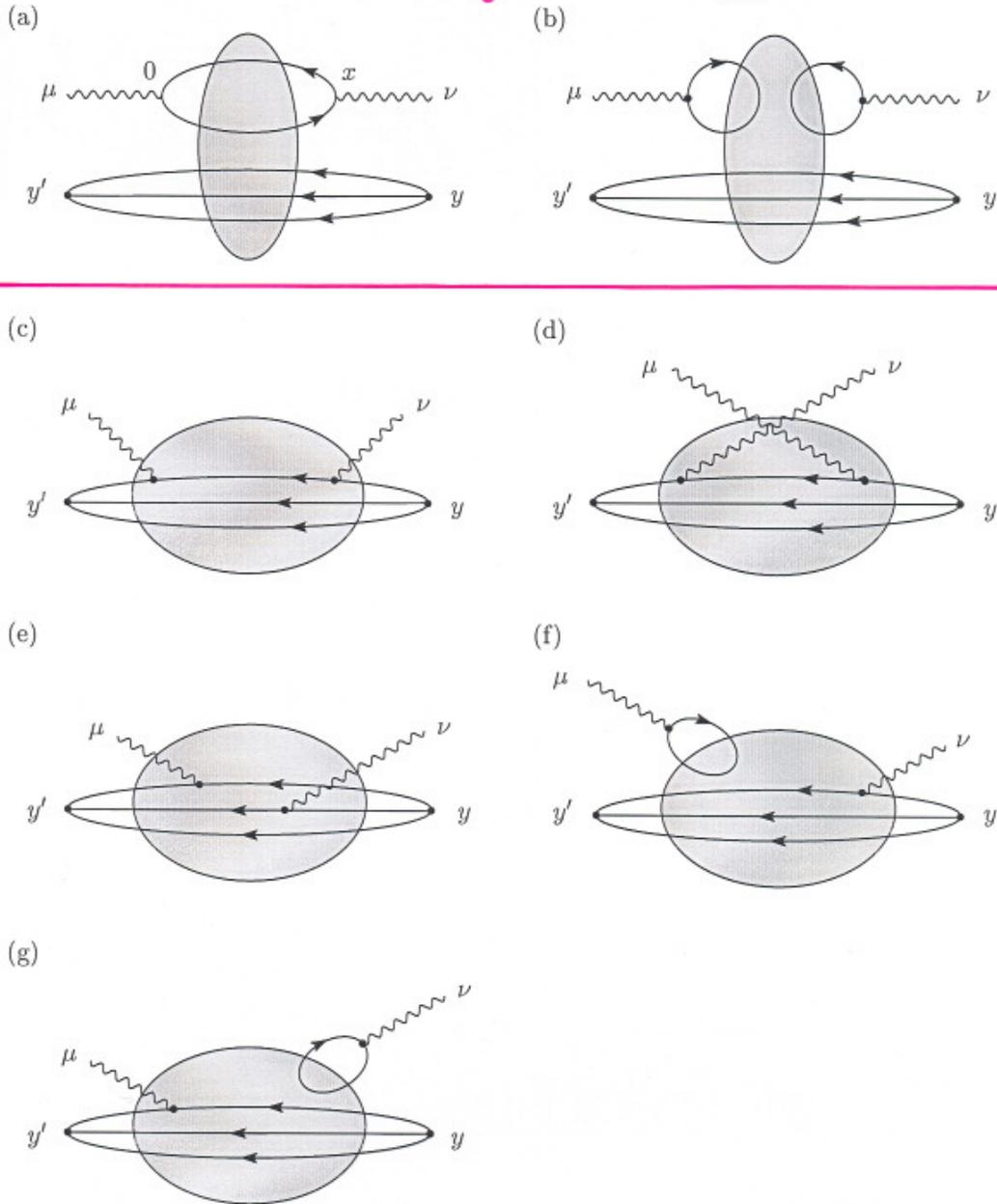


Figure 1: The diagrams resulting from the functional integral corresponding to  $\mathcal{J}^{(a)}, \dots, \mathcal{J}^{(g)}$  and to the amplitudes  $\mathcal{M}^{(a)}, \dots, \mathcal{M}^{(g)}$

$$M_{s's}^{(a)\mu\nu}(p', p, q) =$$

$$\sum_{\underline{2}} Q_{\underline{2}}^2 \left\langle \mathcal{L}_{s's}(p', p) A^{(2)\mu\nu}(\underline{q}) \right\rangle_G$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{s's}(p', p) = - \frac{i}{2\pi m_p \mathbb{Z}_p} \int d^4 y' d^4 y$$

$$e^{ip'y'} \bar{u}_{s'}(p') (-i \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_{y'} + m_p)$$

$$\overbrace{\psi_p(y') \bar{\psi}_p(y)}$$

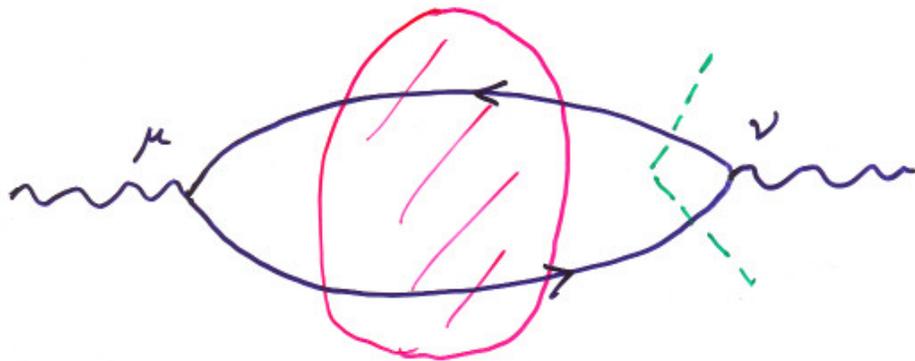
$$(i \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_y + m_p) u_s(p) e^{-ipy}$$

$$A^{(2)\mu\nu}(\underline{q}) = \int d^4 x$$

$$\text{Tr} \left[ \gamma^\mu S_F^{(2)}(0, x; G) e^{-iqx} \gamma^\nu S_F^{(2)}(x, 0; G) \right]$$

Study of quark loop in fixed gluon potential:

$$A^{(g)\mu\nu}(g) =$$



- Cut the quark lines next to vertex  $\nu$
- Insert suitable factors 1

$$(-i \not{\partial}_z + m_g) \mathcal{S}_F^{(2,0)}(z, x) = \delta^{(4)}(z-x)$$

↑  
free propagator

- Represent free propagators with spin sums of quark and antiquark spinors

$$\mathcal{S}_F^{(2,0)}(x, y) = \theta(x^0 - y^0) \langle 0 | \not{q}(x) \bar{q}(y) | 0 \rangle - \theta(y^0 - x^0) \langle 0 | \bar{q}(y) \not{q}(x) | 0 \rangle$$

$$S_F^{(2,0)}(x, y) = \theta(x^0 - y^0)$$

$$\frac{i}{(2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3k}{2k^0} e^{-ik(x-y)} (\not{k} + m_2)$$

$$+ \theta(y^0 - x^0)$$

$$\frac{i}{(2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3k}{2k^0} e^{ik(x-y)} (-\not{k} + m_2)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int \frac{d\omega}{\omega + i\epsilon} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3 2k^0} \sum_r$$

$$\left\{ e^{-ik_\omega x} u_r(k) \bar{u}_r(k) e^{ik_\omega y} - e^{ik_\omega x} v_r(k) \bar{v}_r(k) e^{-ik_\omega y} \right\}$$

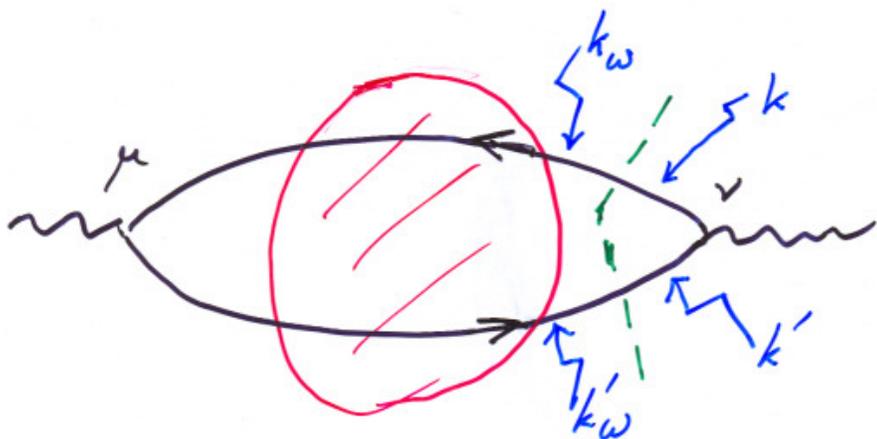
$$k = \begin{pmatrix} k^0 \\ \vec{k} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\vec{k}^2 + m_2^2} \\ \vec{k} \end{pmatrix}, \quad k_\omega = \begin{pmatrix} k^0 + \omega \\ \vec{k} \end{pmatrix}$$

Putting every thing together we find the following result:

- The (a) term of the Compton amplitude can be written as sum of 4 terms. The at high energy leading term has the structure

photon splitting into  $q \bar{q}$  times an amplitude for  $q \bar{q}$ , but off energy shell, scattering on the proton.

- According to LSZ this amplitude involves ~~the~~ quark wave function renormalisation constant  $Z_2$ . This must then also multiply the photon  $\rightarrow q \bar{q}$  splitting factor.
- An integration over the  $q$  and  $\bar{q}$  off shell energy is to be performed.



$$A^{(g)\mu\nu}(q) = \sum_{j=1}^4 A^{(g,j)\mu\nu}(q)$$

$$A^{(g,1)\mu\nu}(q) = - \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3 2k^0} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega$$

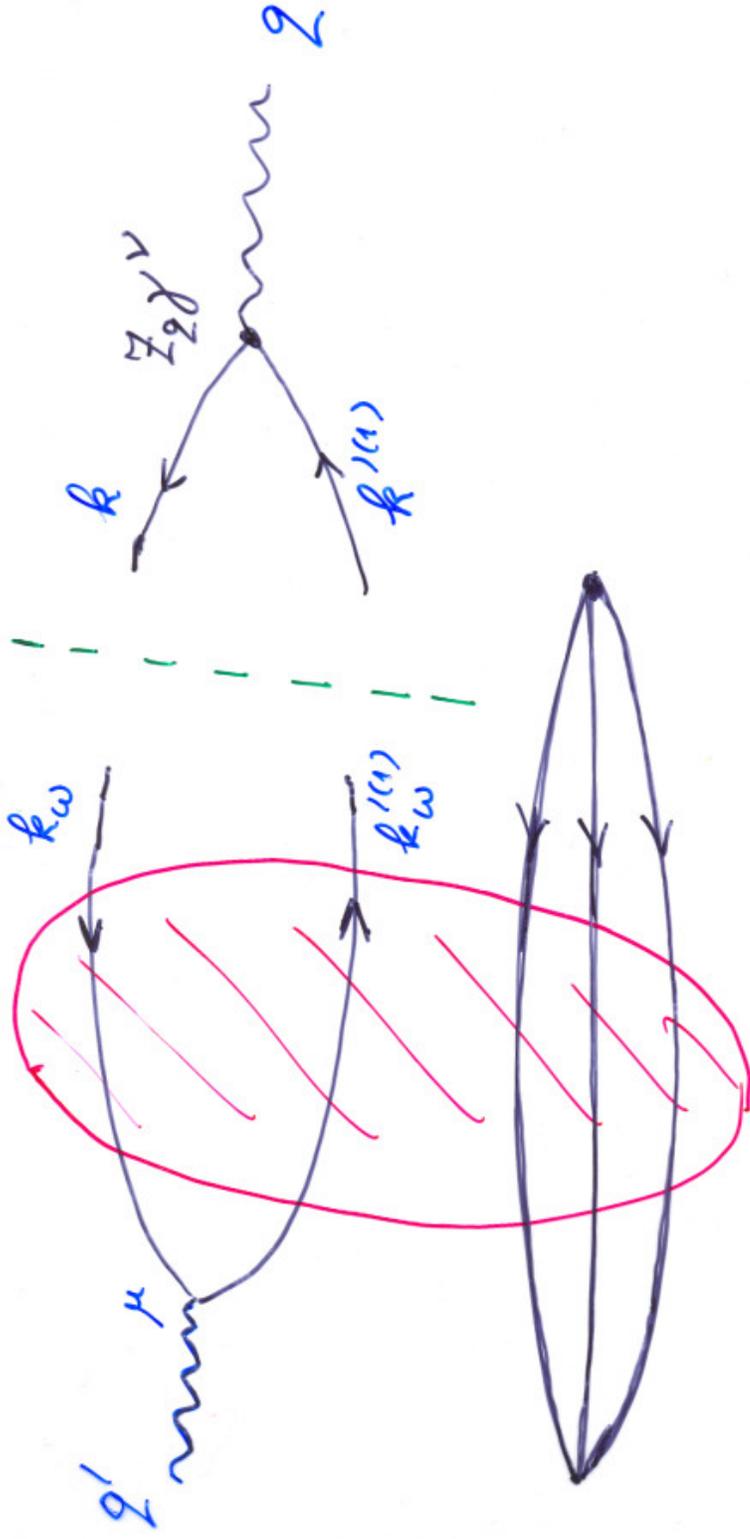
$$\frac{1}{(\omega + i\varepsilon)(q^0 - k^0 - k'^0 - \omega + i\varepsilon) 2k'^0}$$

$$\left\{ \int d^4z d^4z' e^{-ik'_\omega z'} \bar{v}_{r'}(k') (-i\overleftrightarrow{\partial}_{z'} + m_g) \right.$$

$$S_F^{(g)}(z', 0; G) \gamma^\mu S_F^{(g)}(0, z; G) (i\overleftrightarrow{\partial}_z + m_g)$$

$$u_r(k) e^{-ik_\omega z} \left. \right\}$$

$$\bar{u}_r(k) \gamma^\nu v_{r'}(k')$$

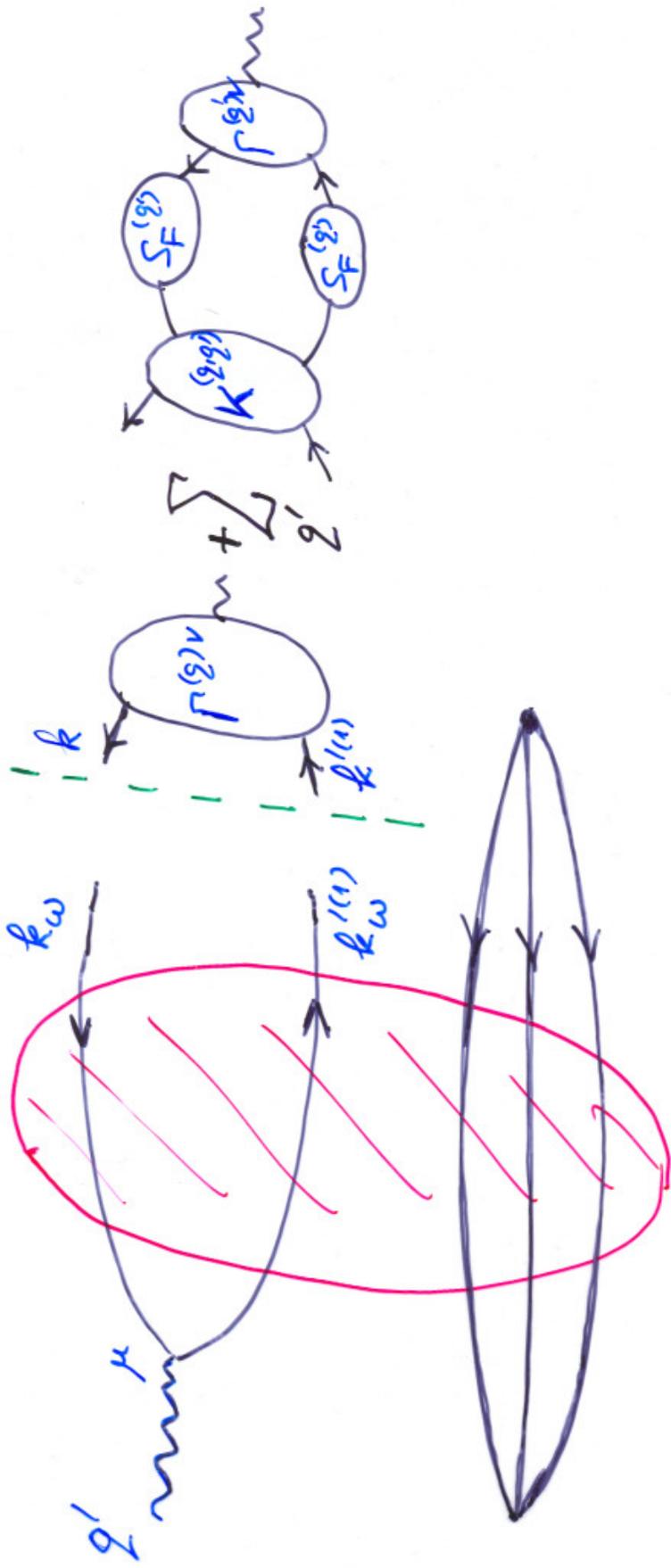


Integration over off shell energy  $\omega$ !

- To get rid of  $Z_2$  we use the Schwinger - Dyson eq. for the photon - quark - antiquark vertex function.

This procedure is completely analogous to the renormalisation of the vacuum polarisation function in QED where overlapping divergences occur.

- The same steps as for  $m^{(a)}$  can be done for  $m^{(b)}$



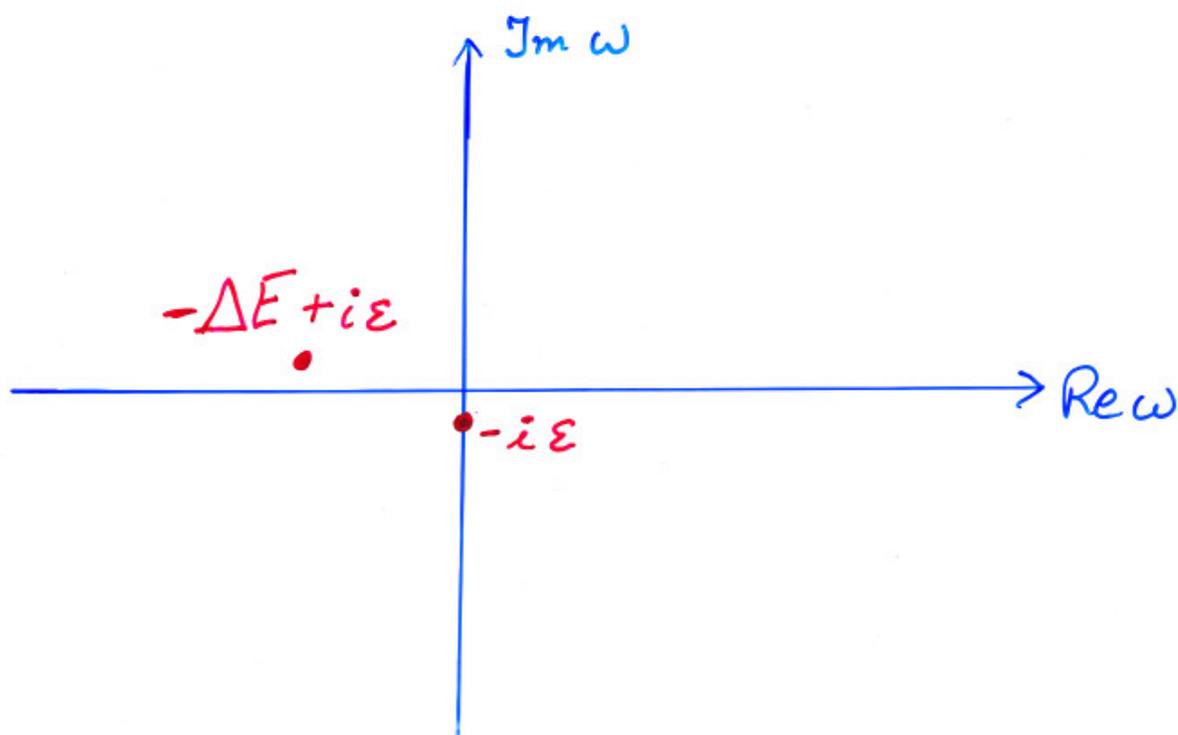
Integration over off shell energy  $\omega$ !

### 3 High energy limit, $|\vec{q}| \rightarrow \infty$

Assume that quarks have a mass shell.

Choose  $m_q = \text{ren. quark mass}$ .

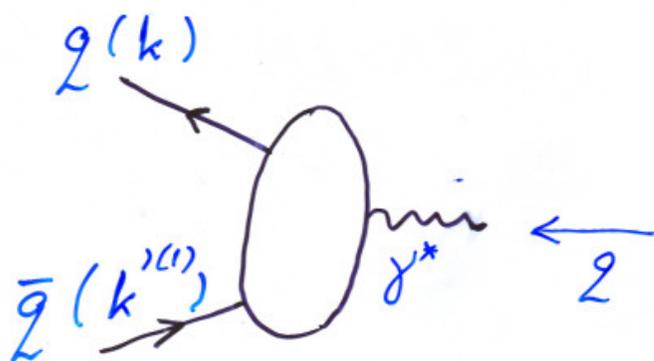
Suppose:  $|\vec{q}| \rightarrow \infty$ .



Energy difference quark + antiquark -  $\gamma^{(*)}$ :

$$\Delta E = k^0 + k'^0 - q^0$$

- pinch for  $\Delta E \rightarrow 0$  in the  $\omega$  integral!



$$\vec{k} = \alpha \vec{q} + \vec{k}_T$$

$$\vec{k}'^{(1)} = (1-\alpha) \vec{q} - \vec{k}_T$$

$0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  required for pinch!

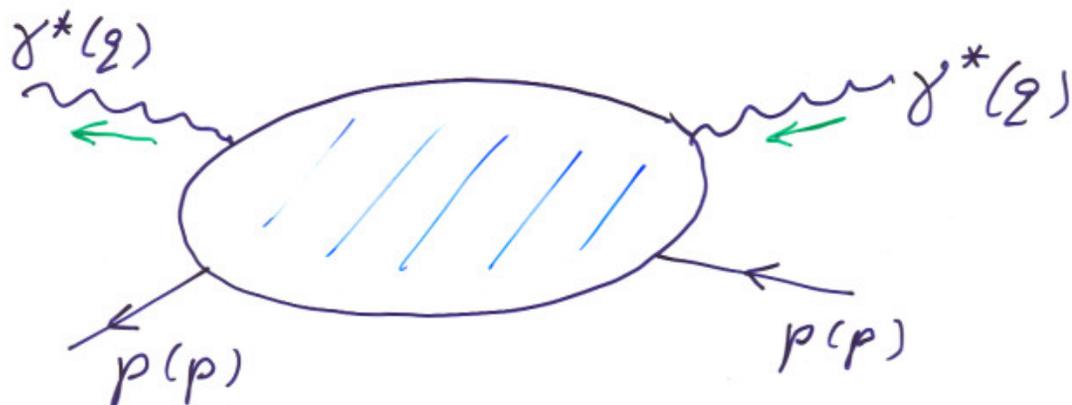
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta E &= k^0 + k'^{(1)0} - q^0 \\ &= \frac{Q^2 + \tilde{m}^2}{q^0 + k^0 + k'^{(1)0}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{m}^2 \approx \frac{\vec{k}_T^2 + m_g^2}{\alpha(1-\alpha)}$$

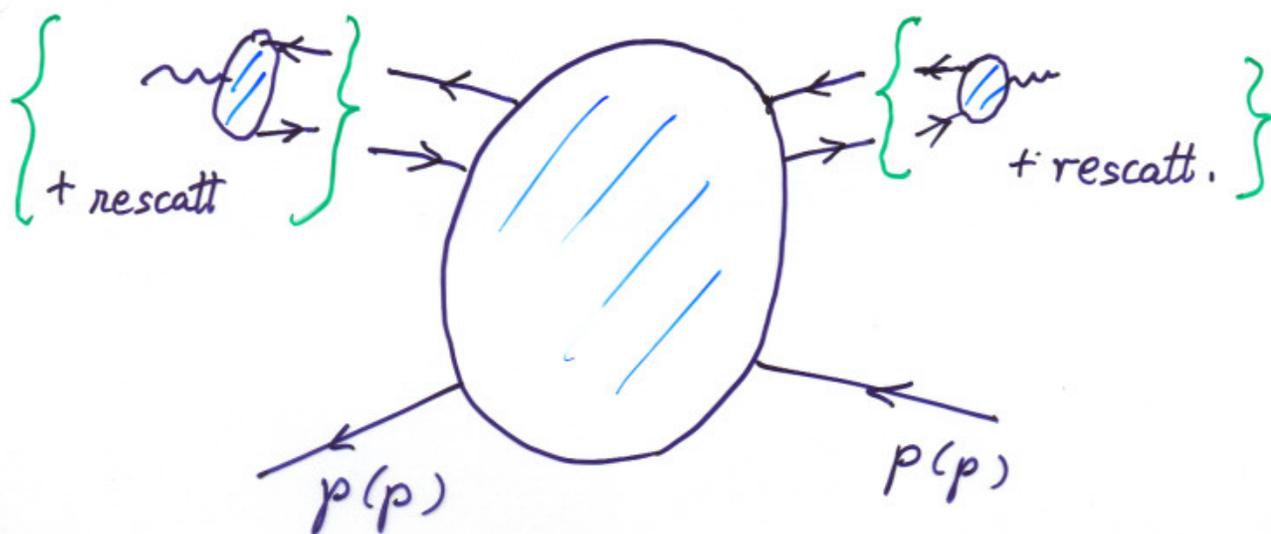
- Pinch, that is  $\Delta E \rightarrow 0$ , occurs for quark and antiquark moving in the same long. direction as the original  $\gamma^*$ .
- Pinch contribution:  $q$  and  $\bar{q}$  on shell.
- Define  $q \bar{q}$  dipole states, transverse separation  $\vec{R}_T$ .

# Application to DIS

$$\gamma^*(q) + p(p) \rightarrow \gamma^*(q) + p(p)$$



$$\Downarrow q^2 \rightarrow \infty$$



Assumptions needed to arrive at the standard dipole picture :

- (i) quarks have a mass shell,  
Only the pinch contribution is kept in the  $w$  integral.
- (ii) the photon vertex function is taken as  $\gamma^\nu$ , the rescattering term is dropped.
- (iii) Only  $m^{(a)}$  is kept,  $m^{(b)}$  is dropped.
- (iv) The scattering of the dipole on the proton is diagonal in quark flavour, transverse size  $\vec{R}_T$  and longitudinal momentum  $x$ .
- (v) The dipole-proton cross section depends only on  $\vec{R}_T^2$  and the (cm. energy)<sup>2</sup> =  $W^2$ .

Result:

$$\sigma_T(W^2, Q^2) = \sum_L \int d^2 R_T w_T^{(g)}(R_T, Q^2) \hat{\sigma}^{(g)}(R_T, W^2)$$

$$\sigma_L(W^2, Q^2) = \sum_L \int d^2 R_T w_L^{(g)}(R_T, Q^2) \hat{\sigma}^{(g)}(R_T, W^2)$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^{(g)}(R_T, W^2) \geq 0, \text{ dipole-proton cross section}$$

$$w_{T,L}^{(g)}(R_T, Q^2) \propto$$

|photon wave function|<sup>2</sup>

$$w_{T,L}^{(2)}(R_T, Q^2) = \int_0^1 d\alpha \, v_{T,L}^{(2)}(\alpha, R_T, Q^2)$$

$$v_T^{(2)}(\alpha, R_T, Q^2) = \frac{3}{2\pi^2} \alpha_{em} Q_g^2$$

$$\left\{ [\alpha^2 + (1-\alpha)^2] \varepsilon_g^2 (K_1(\varepsilon_g R_T))^2 \right.$$

$$\left. + m_g^2 (K_0(\varepsilon_g R_T))^2 \right\},$$

$$v_L^{(2)}(\alpha, R_T, Q^2) = \frac{6}{\pi^2} \alpha_{em} Q_g^2 Q^2$$

$$[\alpha(1-\alpha)]^2 (K_0(\varepsilon_g R_T))^2,$$

$$\varepsilon_g = \sqrt{\alpha(1-\alpha)Q^2 + m_g^2}.$$

- There are non trivial problems/subtleties in choosing the polarisation vector for  $\gamma_L^*$  correctly.

$$\underline{q} = \begin{pmatrix} q^\circ \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ |\vec{q}| \end{pmatrix}$$

Bad choice of long. pol. vector

$$\varepsilon_L = \frac{1}{Q} \begin{pmatrix} |\vec{q}| \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ q^\circ \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \infty \text{ for } |\vec{q}| \rightarrow \infty$$

Good choice:

$$\varepsilon'_L = \varepsilon_L - \frac{1}{Q} \underline{q} = \frac{Q}{|\vec{q}| + q^\circ} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow 0 \text{ for } |\vec{q}| \rightarrow \infty$$

## 4 Tests for the standard dipole picture in DIS

Bounds on ratios of  
cross sections and structure  
functions following from

$$w_T^{(2)}(R_T, Q^2) \geq 0,$$

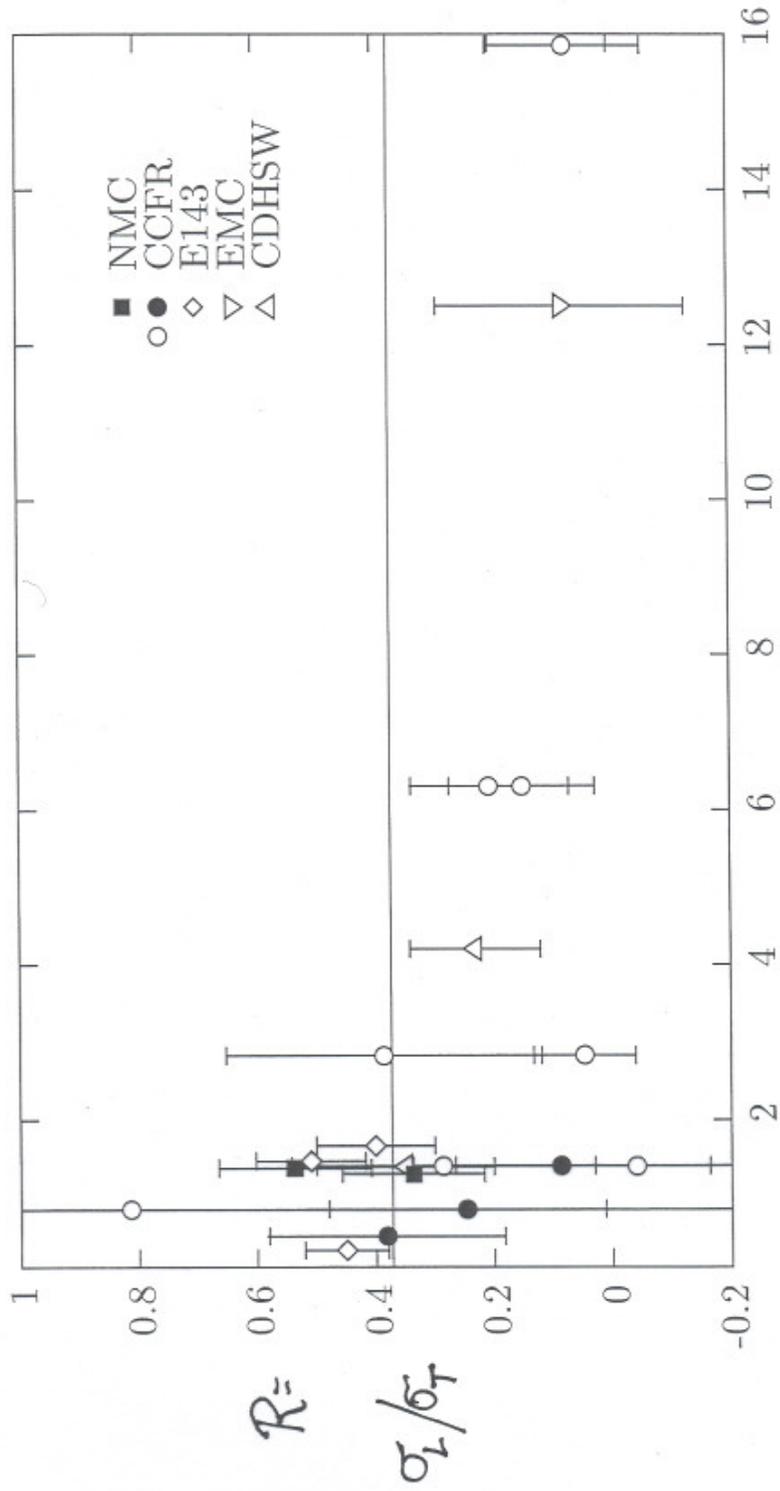
$$w_L^{(2)}(R_T, Q^2) \geq 0,$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^{(2)}(R_T, W^2) \geq 0,$$

and the explicit form of  $w_{T,L}^{(2)}$ .

(1) A bound for R :

$$R(W^2, Q^2) = \frac{\sigma_L(W^2, Q^2)}{\sigma_T(W^2, Q^2)} \leq 0.37248$$

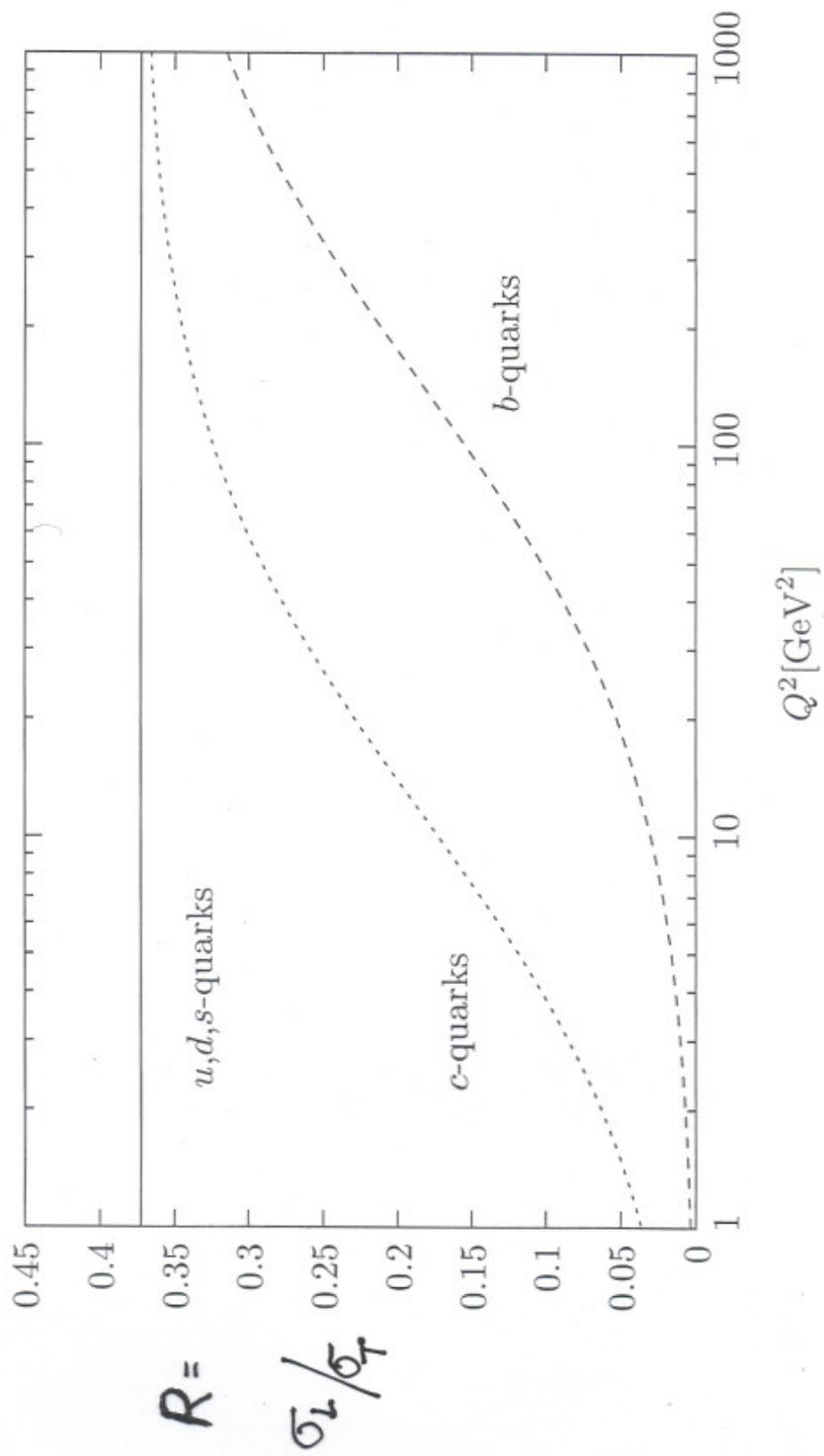


data with  $0.01 < x < 0.05$

data with  $x < 0.01$

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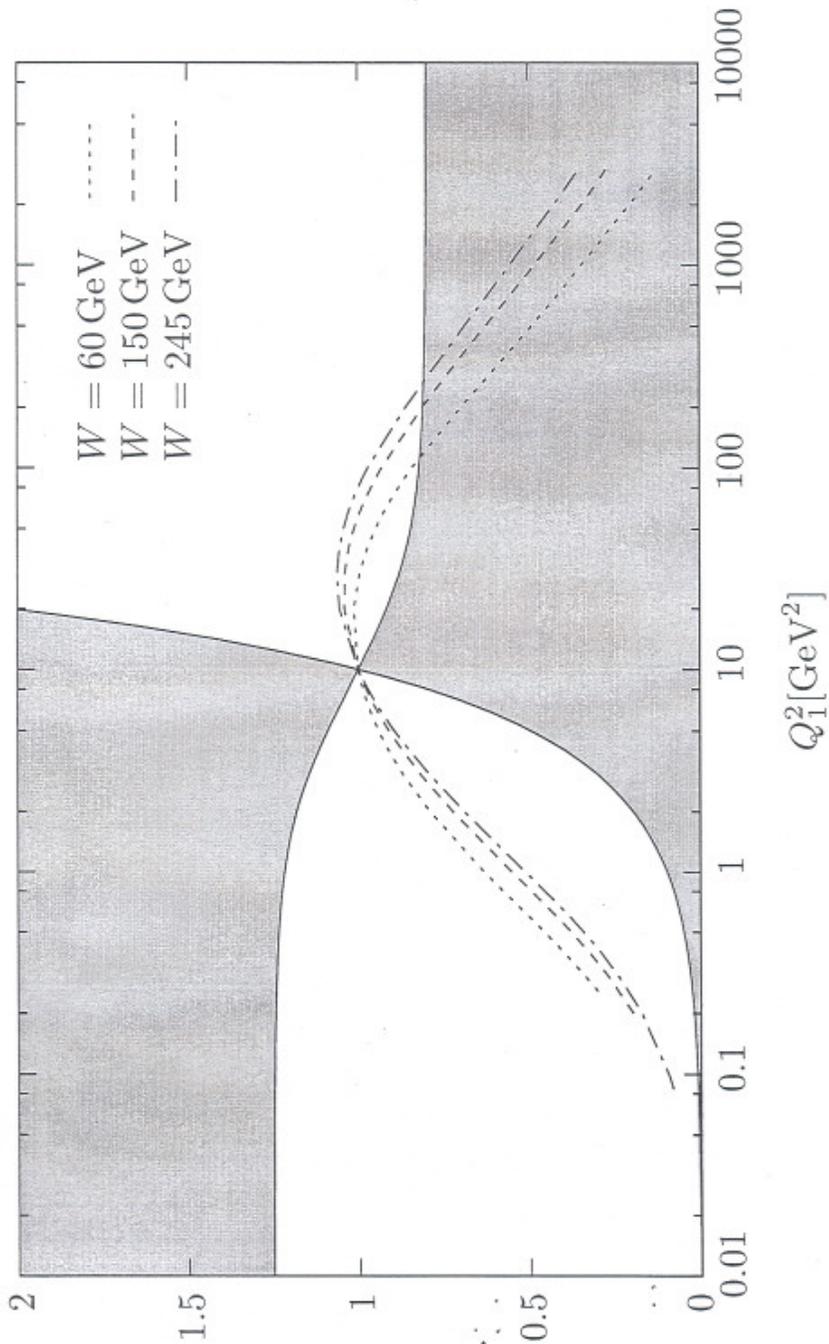
(2) Bounds for the ratio of structure functions at the same  $W^2$  but different  $Q^2$ :

$$\frac{F_2(W^2, Q_1^2)}{F_2(W^2, Q_2^2)}$$

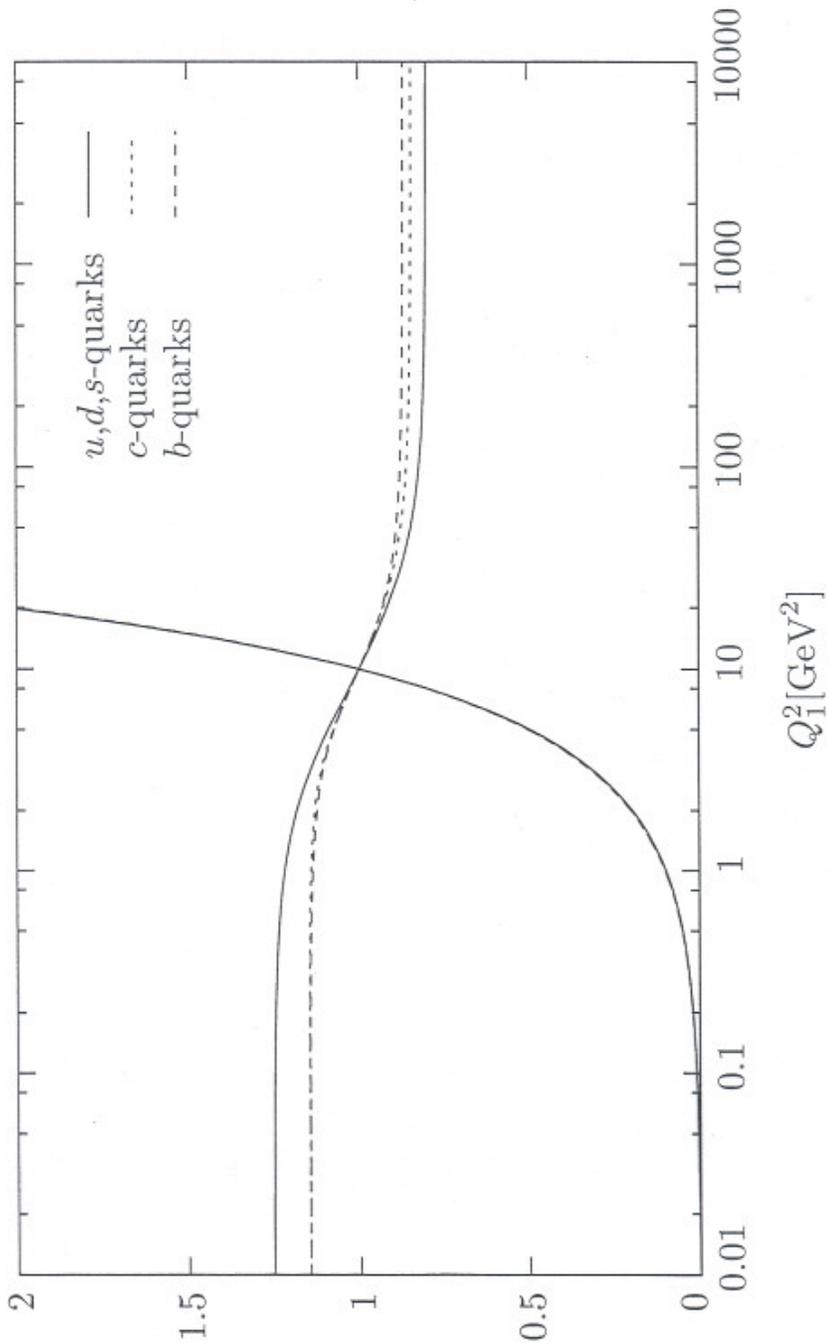
Example: set  $Q_2^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ .

The data is outside of the bounds for  $Q_1^2 \approx 100 - 200 \text{ GeV}^2$ .

$$\frac{F_2(W^2, Q_1^2)}{F_2(W^2, Q_2^2)}$$



$$Q_2^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$$



$$\frac{F_2^2(W, Q_1^2)}{F_2^2(W, Q_2^2)}$$

$$Q_2^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$$

## 5 Summary and Conclusions

- We have developed a non perturbative framework to study high energy (virtual) photon hadron scattering. Renormalisation is taken care of.
- The necessary assumptions leading to the standard dipole picture have been spelled out.
- Stringent tests for this dipole picture have been given. They suggest, that for HERA energies,  $W = 60$  to  $250$  GeV, the dipole picture may at best be valid in the range

$$2 \text{ GeV}^2 \lesssim Q^2 \lesssim 100 \text{ to } 200 \text{ GeV}^2.$$

- For more detailed derivations  
and many more results  
see

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Further work is in progress  
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