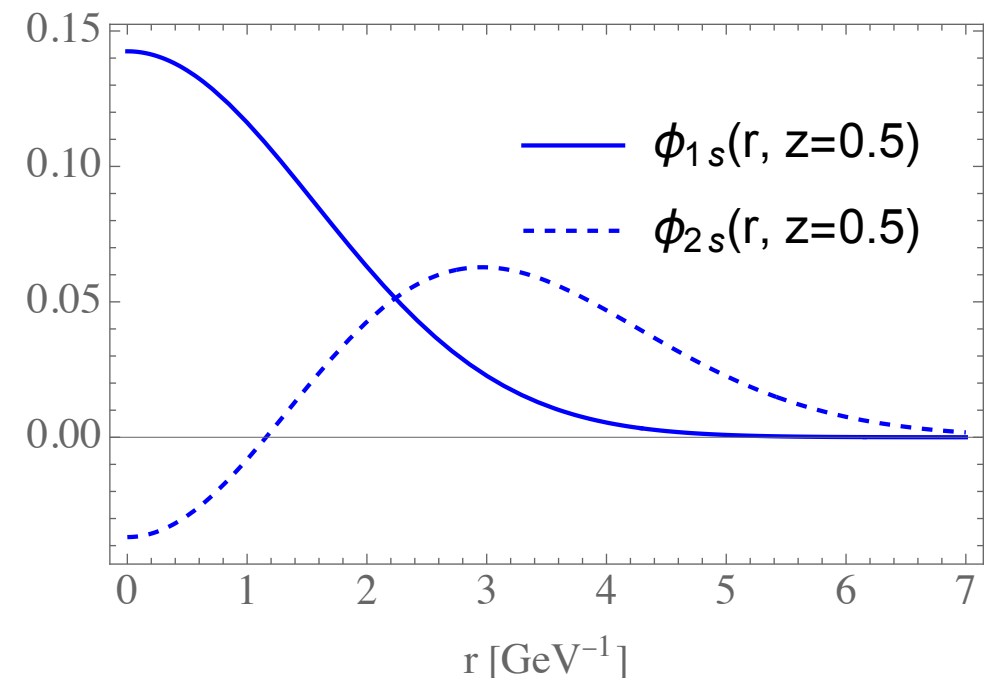


Ratio of J/Ψ and $\Psi(2s)$ exclusive photoproduction cross-sections as a tool to detect non-linear QCD evolution

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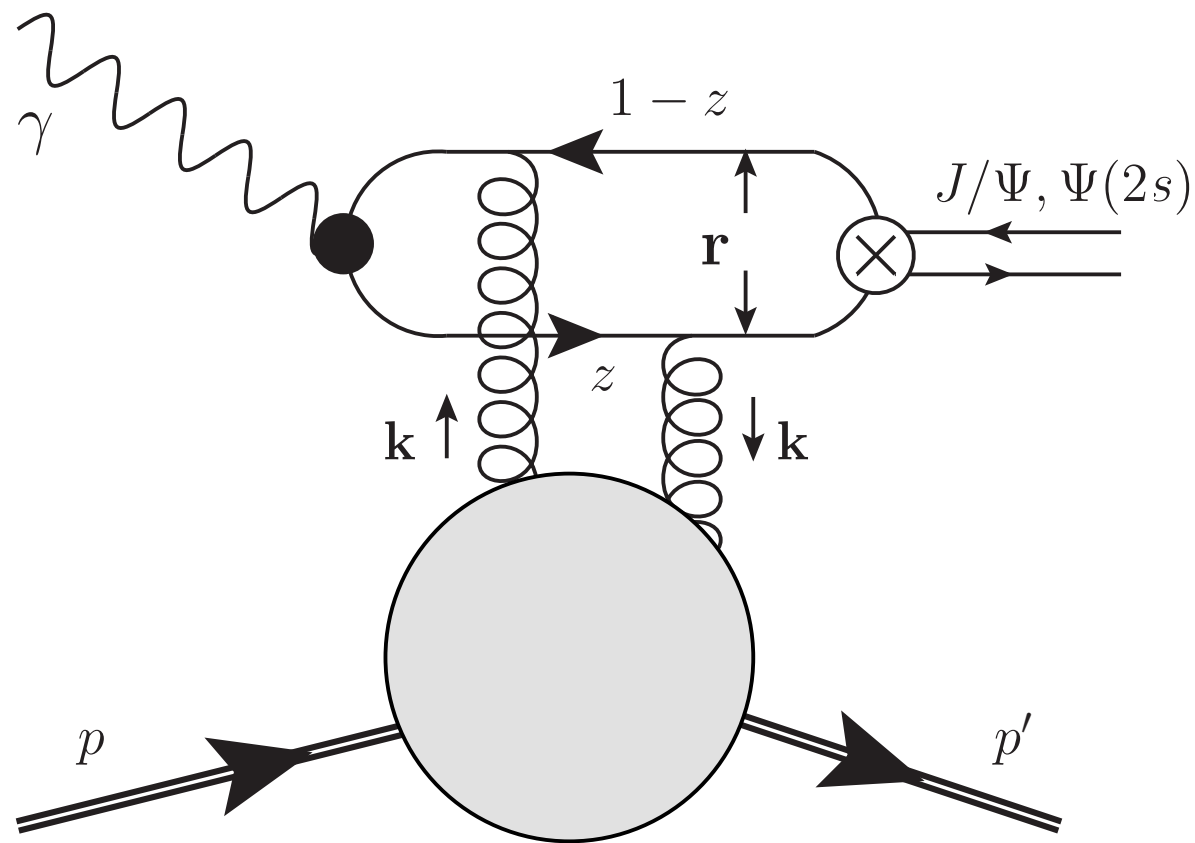
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photo induced exclusive photo-production of J/Ψ s and $\Psi(2s)$



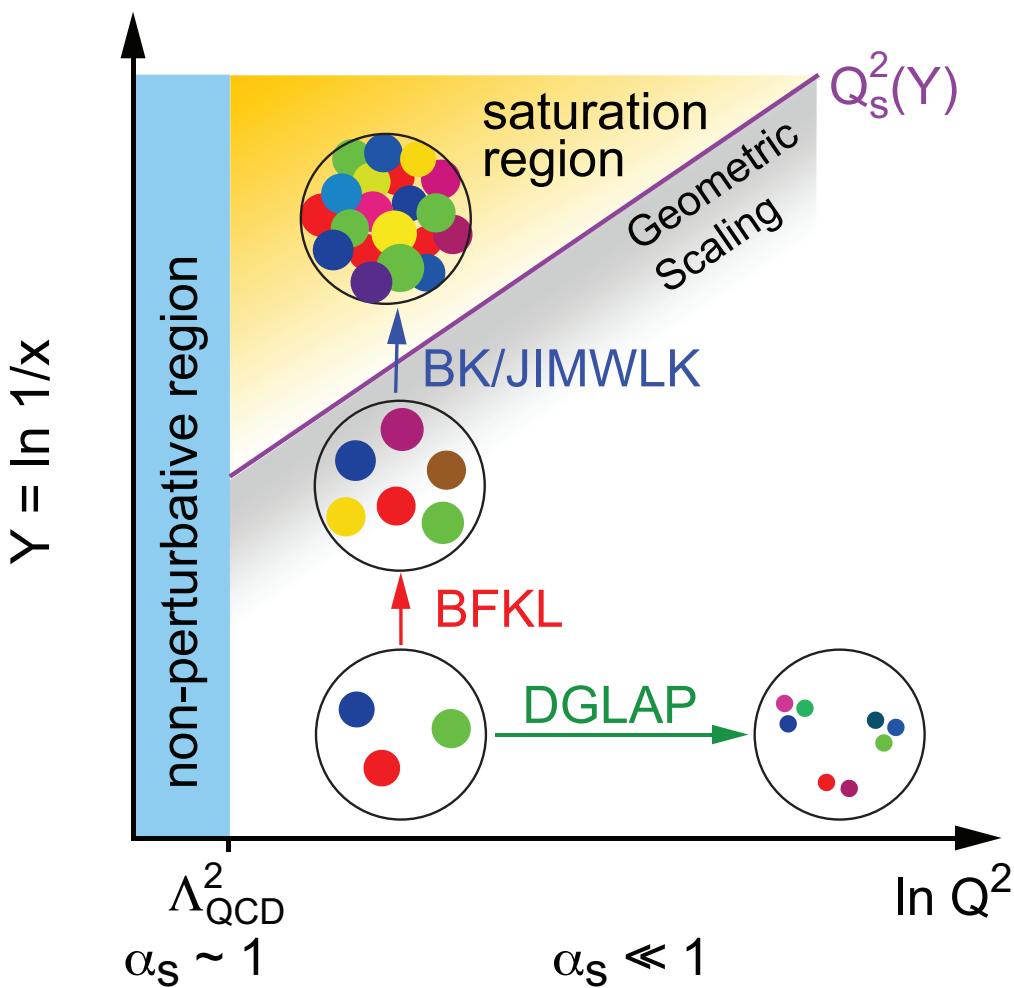
- hard scale: charm mass (small, but perturbative)
- reach up to $x \gtrsim 5 \cdot 10^{-6}$
- perturbative cross-check: Υ (b-mass)

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- measured at **LHC** (LHCb, ALICE, CMS) & **HERA** (H1, ZEUS)

→ covers orders of magnitudes in low x

Goal: confront linear vs. non-linear QCD evolution



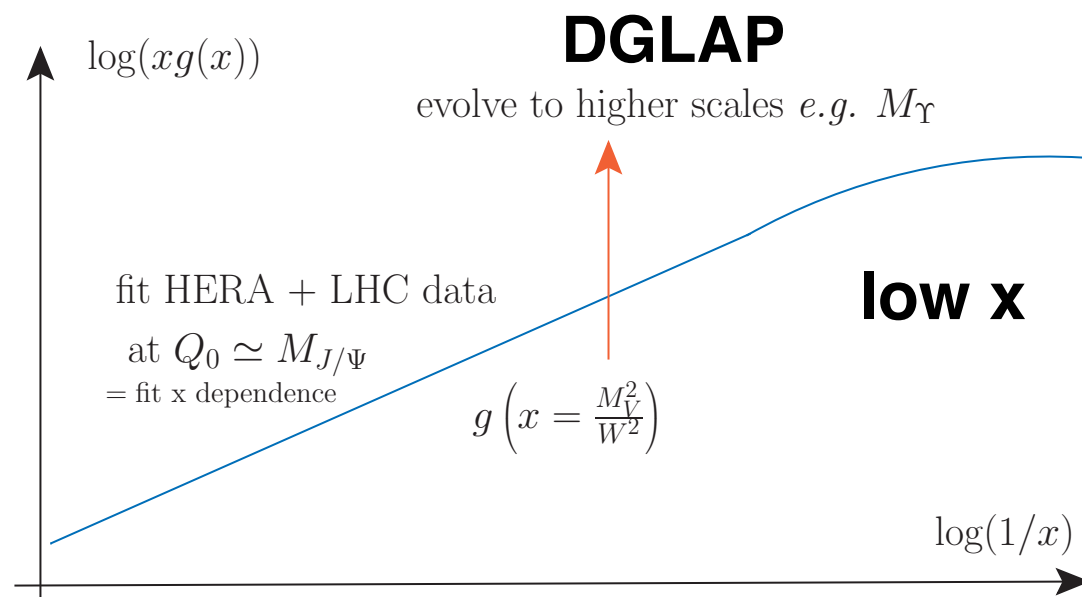
kernel calculated in pQCD

BK evolution for dipole amplitude $N(x, r) \in [0, 1]$ [related to gluon distribution]

$$\frac{dN(x, r)}{d \ln \frac{1}{x}} = \int d^2 \mathbf{r}_1 K(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_1) [N(x, r_1) + N(x, r_2) - N(x, r) - N(x, r_1)N(x, r_2)]$$

linear BFKL evolution = subset of complete BK

non-linear term relevant for $N \sim 1$ (=high density)



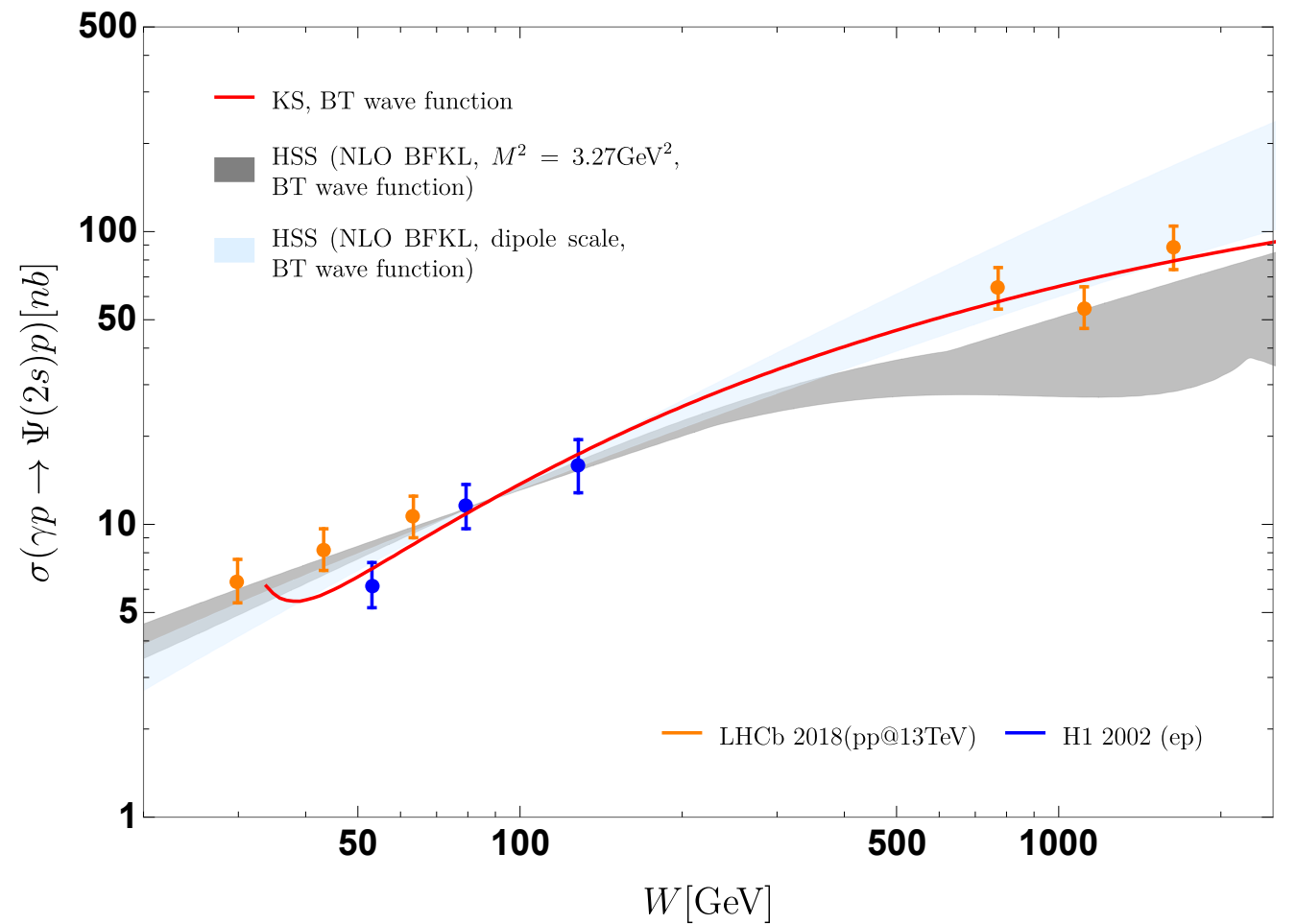
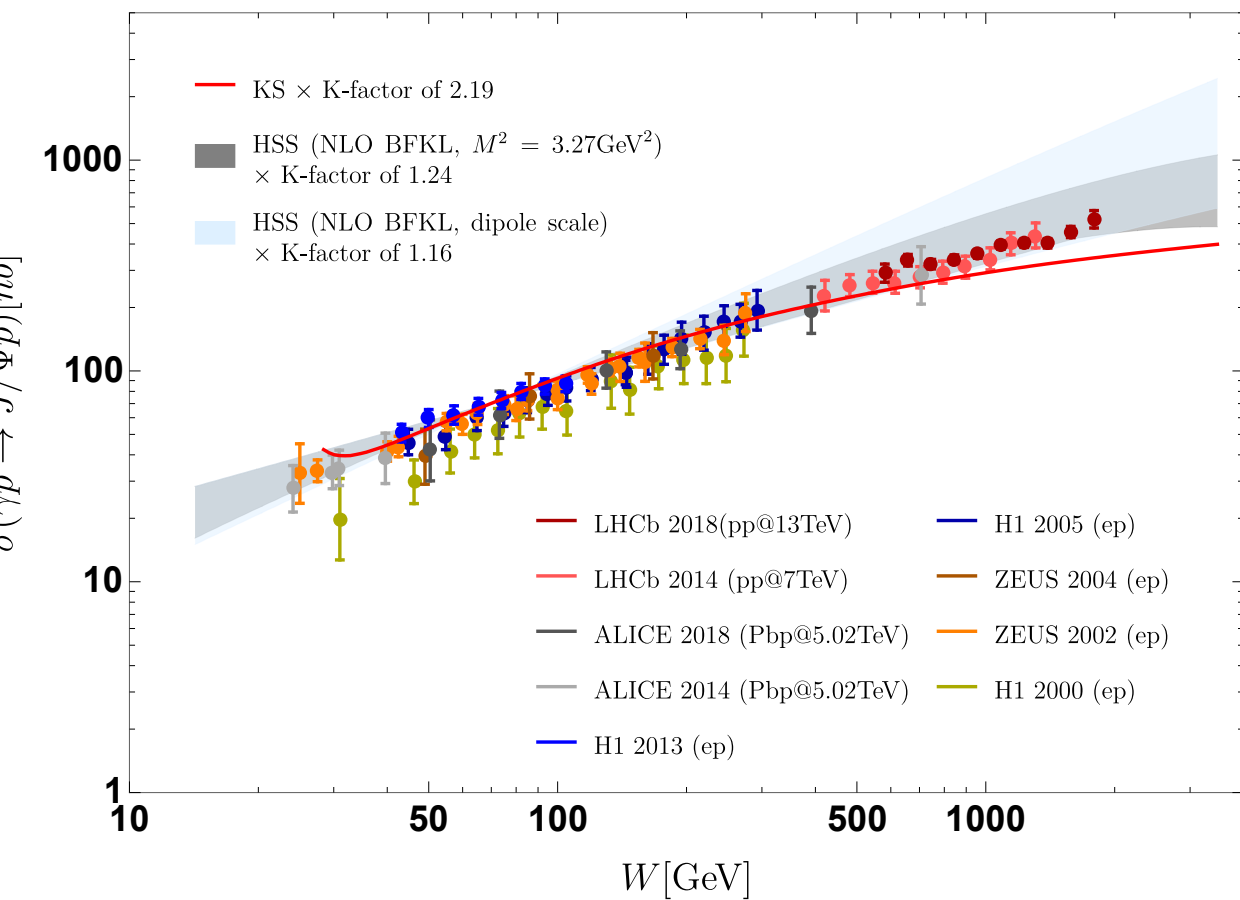
To detect non-linear QCD evolution, need to evolve in $\ln 1/x$ not in $\ln Q^2$

This work:

Observation:

For photoproduction on a proton

- very similar energy dependence predicted by linear (NLO BFKL) and non-linear QCD (BK) evolution for total photo-production cross-section of J/Ψ and $\Psi(2s)$
- Within uncertainties: can't distinguish BFKL and BK

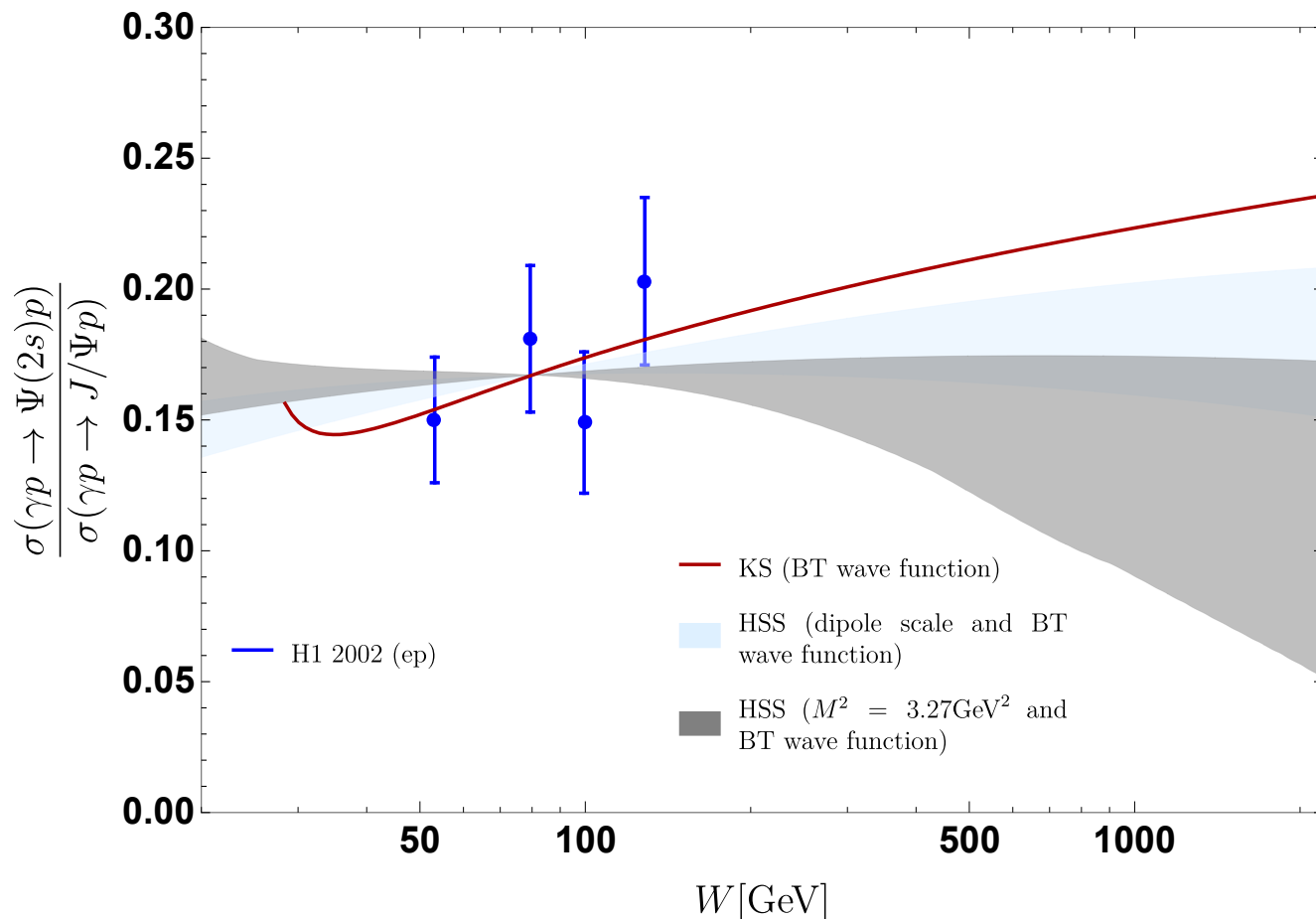


Shown: linear NLO BFKL (HSS) [MH, Salas, Sabio Vera; 1209.1353; 1301.5283]
and non-linear BK (KS) [Kutak, Sapeta; 1205.5035]

Observation:

- very similar energy dependence for total cross-section
- Different predictions for the ratio $\sigma(J/\Psi)/\sigma(\Psi(2s))$

MH, Padron Molina, arXiv:2011.02640



- non-linear KS gluon (BK evolution): growing ratio
- Linear HSS gluon (NLO BFKL evolution): approximately constant ratio
- also: unstable fixed scale HSS gives decaying ratio: related to enhanced IR contribution for the $\Psi(2s)$

Coincidence or a characteristic feature of non-linear QCD dynamics?

Implications

If the raise of the ratio could be associated with non-linear QCD evolution,

→ indicator for the presence of such effects without the need to fit etc.

Potential problems:

- Difference between rising vs constant too small to be distinguished within errors (essentially the case for current HERA data)
- It could be an artifact of the particular solution to the BK and NLO BFKL solutions

This study:

Instead of (correct) dipole amplitudes subject to QCD evolution, use **dipole models** → can turn on/off (simulated) non-linear QCD effects

Study the ratio, using dipole *models*

GBW model:
$$\sigma_{q\bar{q}}^{\text{GBW}}(x, r) = \sigma_0^{\text{GBW}} \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{r^2 Q_s^2(x)}{4}\right) \right]$$

[Golec-Biernat, Wusthoff, hep-ph/9807513]

BGK model:
$$\sigma_{q\bar{q}}^{\text{BGK}}(x, r) = \sigma_0^{\text{BGK}} \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{r^2 \pi^2 \alpha_s(\mu_r^2) x g(x, \mu_r^2)}{3\sigma_0^{\text{BGK}}}\right) \right]$$

[Bartels, Golec-Biernat, Kowalski; hep-ph/0203258]

Exponentiates linear dipole cross-section (leading order collinear factorization)

$$\sigma_{q\bar{q}}^{\text{collinear}}(x, r) = \frac{\pi^2}{3} r^2 \alpha_s(\mu^2) x g(x, \mu^2)$$

L. Frankfurt, A. Radyushkin, and M. Strikman; hep-ph/9610274

Recent fit of both models to HERA data: [Golec-Biernat, Sapeta; 1711.11360]

Can we expect to see non-linear effects?

Wave function overlap

Use boosted Gaussian

Scattering amplitude

$$\Im m \mathcal{A}_{\gamma p \rightarrow V p}(x) = \int d^2 r \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{4\pi} (\psi_V^* \psi_T)(r, z) \sigma_{q\bar{q}}(r, x)$$

Dipole cross-section

Explore distribution in relevant dipole sizes r

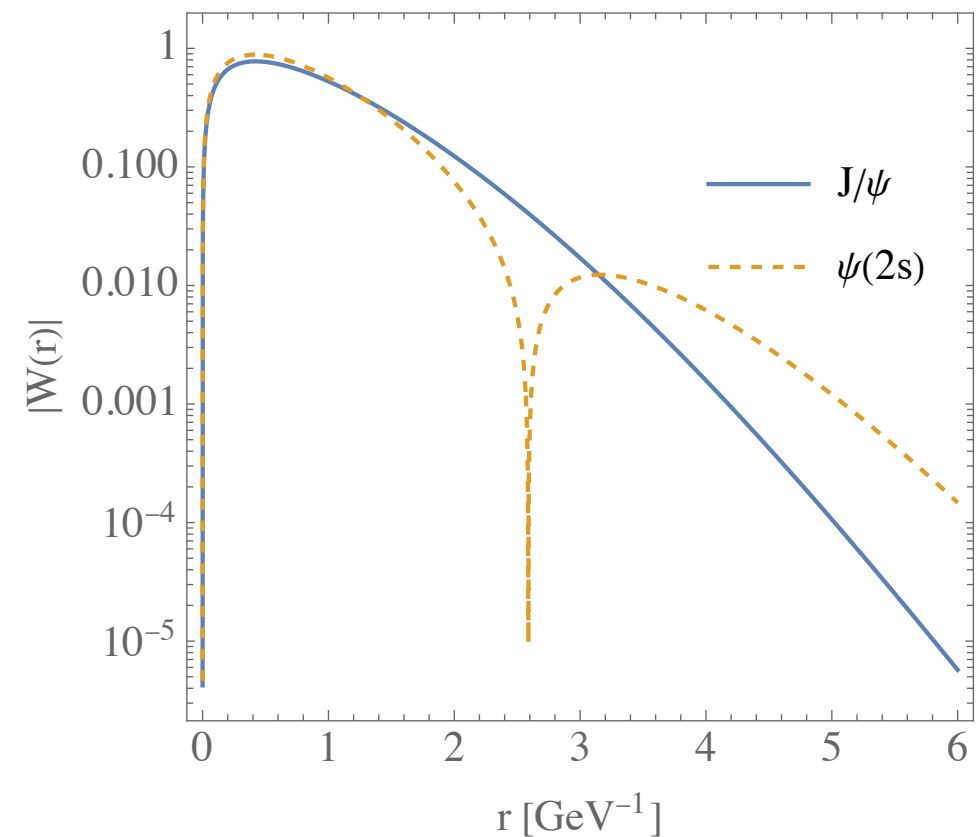
$$W_V(r) = \frac{r \int_0^1 dz (\Psi_V^* \Psi_T)(r, z)}{\int dr r \int_0^1 dz (\Psi_V^* \Psi_T)(r, z)}$$

$$\int_0^\infty dr W(r) = 1$$

Relevant region of the wave function overlap:

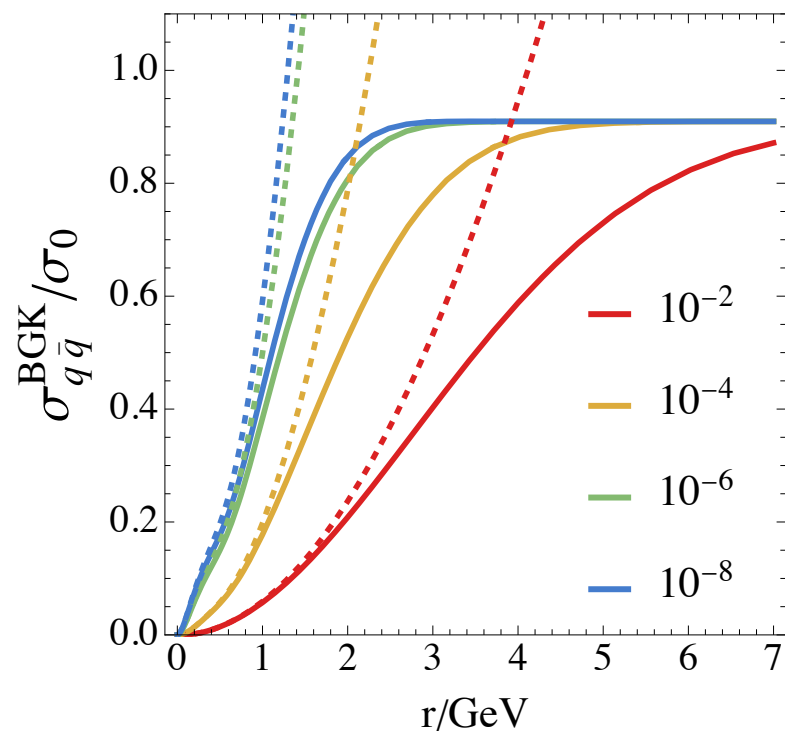
60% for $r < 1 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$,

99% for $r < 3 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$



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Three regions for dipole cross-sections:

- saturated region: $\sigma_{q\bar{q}} \simeq \text{const.}$ **✗**
- Perturbative region $\sigma_{q\bar{q}} \sim r^2$ purely linear/dilute **✓**
- Geometric scaling region: still weak $\sigma_{q\bar{q}}/\sigma_0 \ll 1$, but effects of saturated region already present **(maybe)**

A. M. Stasto, Krzysztof J. Golec-Biernat, and J. Kwiecinski; hep-ph/0007192.

Solutions to BK-equation: geometric scaling region can be estimated as

$$1 < \left| \ln \left(r^2 Q_s^2(x) \right) \right| \leq \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_s \chi_0''(\gamma_0)}$$

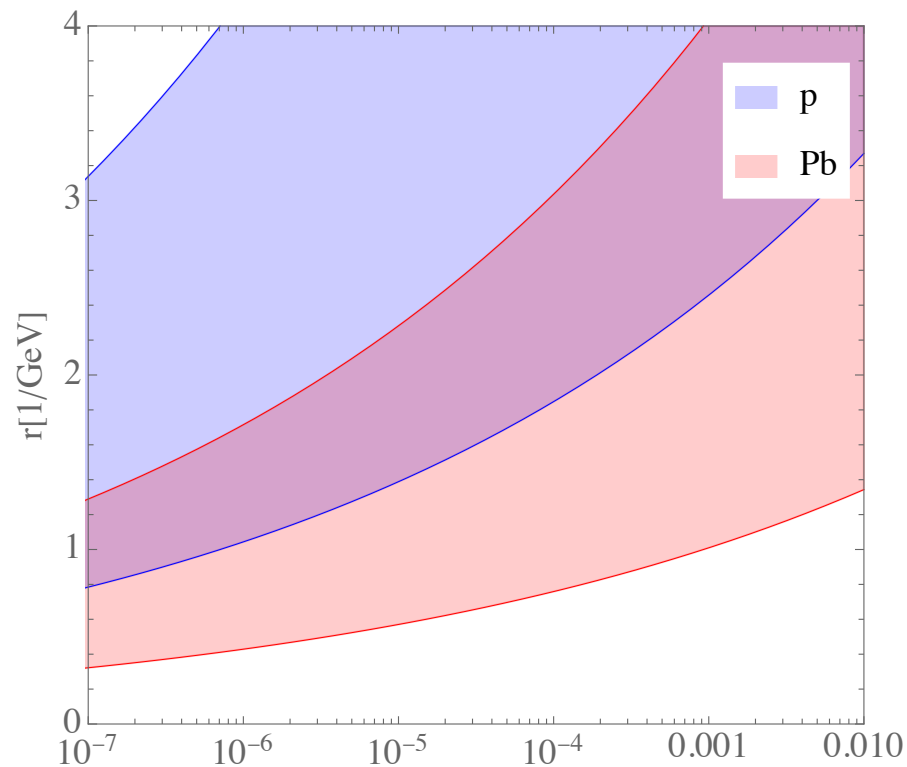
[Mueller, Triantafyllopoulos; hep-ph/0205167],

[Munier, Peschanski; hep-ph/0310357, hep-ph/0309177]

Leading order BFKL eigenvalue $\chi_0(\gamma) = 2\Psi(1) - \Psi(\gamma) - \Psi(1 - \gamma)$

Solution to $\chi_0(\gamma_0) = \gamma_0 \chi_0'(\gamma_0)$, $\gamma_0 \simeq 0.627549$

Geometric scaling region and charmonium

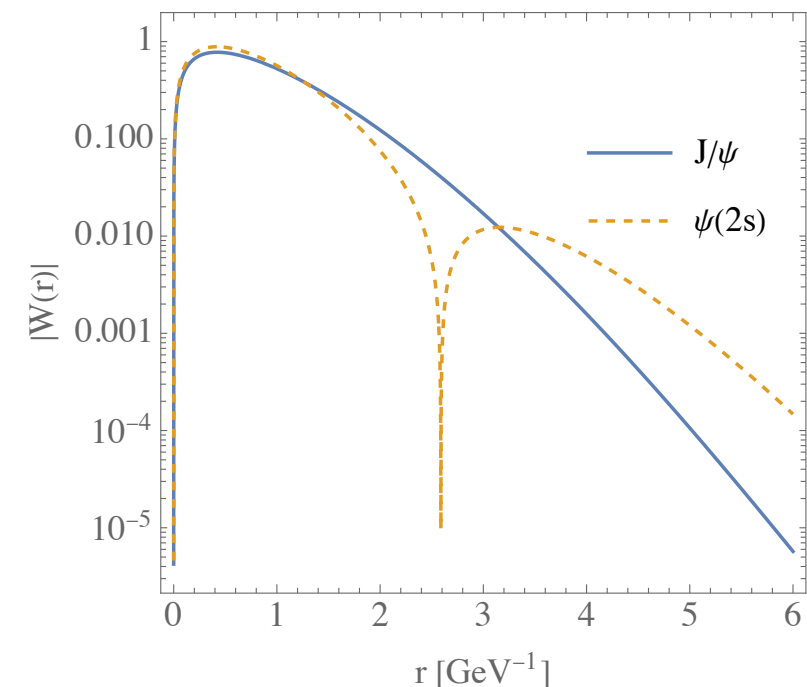


Geometric scaling region
(GBW saturation scale; Pb: $A^{1/3} Q_s^2$)

$$\Im m \mathcal{A}(x) = \int d^2 r \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{4\pi} (\psi_V^* \psi_T)(r, z) \sigma_{q\bar{q}}(r, x)$$

Plotted: region in dipole sizes allowed by

$$1 < |\ln(r^2 Q_s^2(x))| \leq \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_s \chi_0''(\gamma_0)}$$



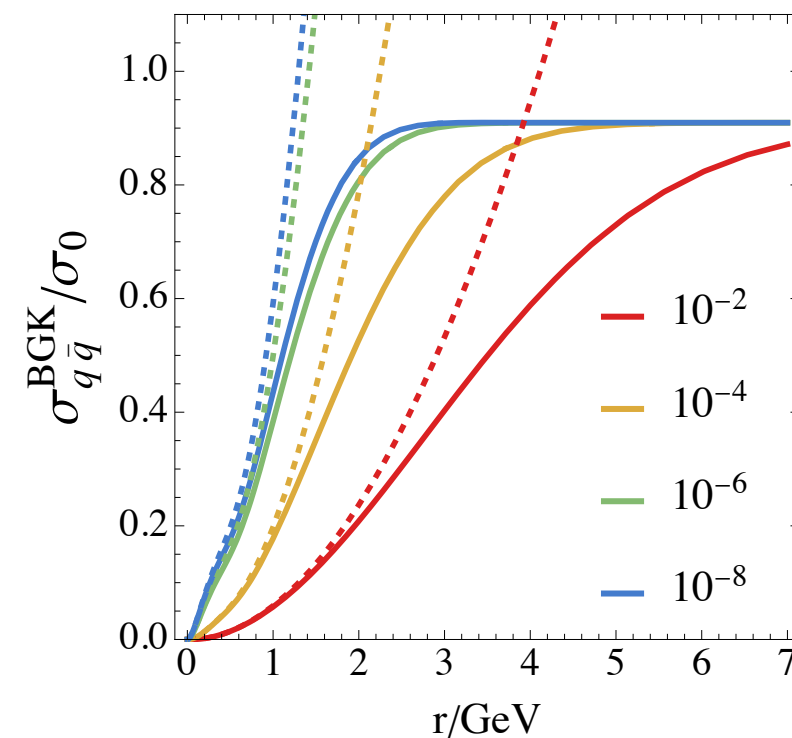
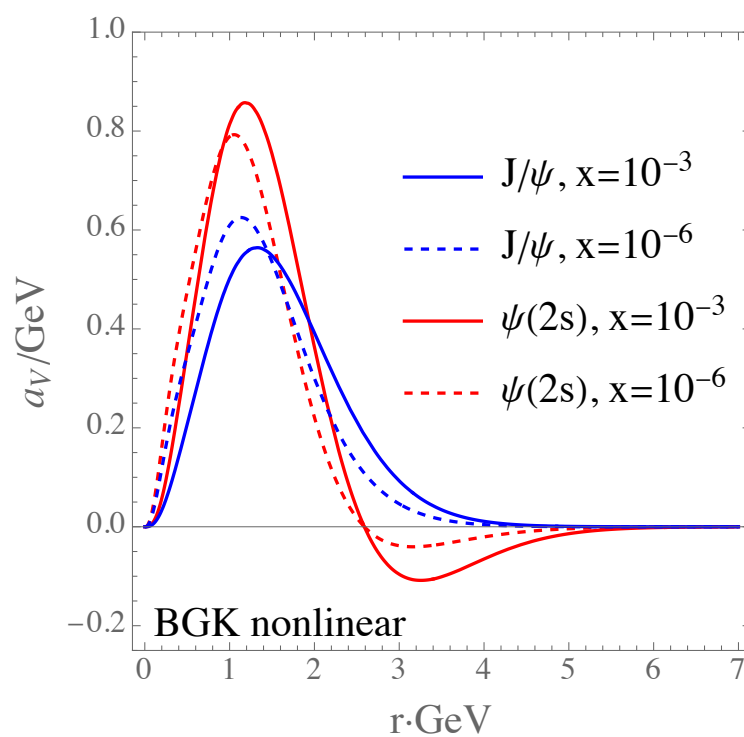
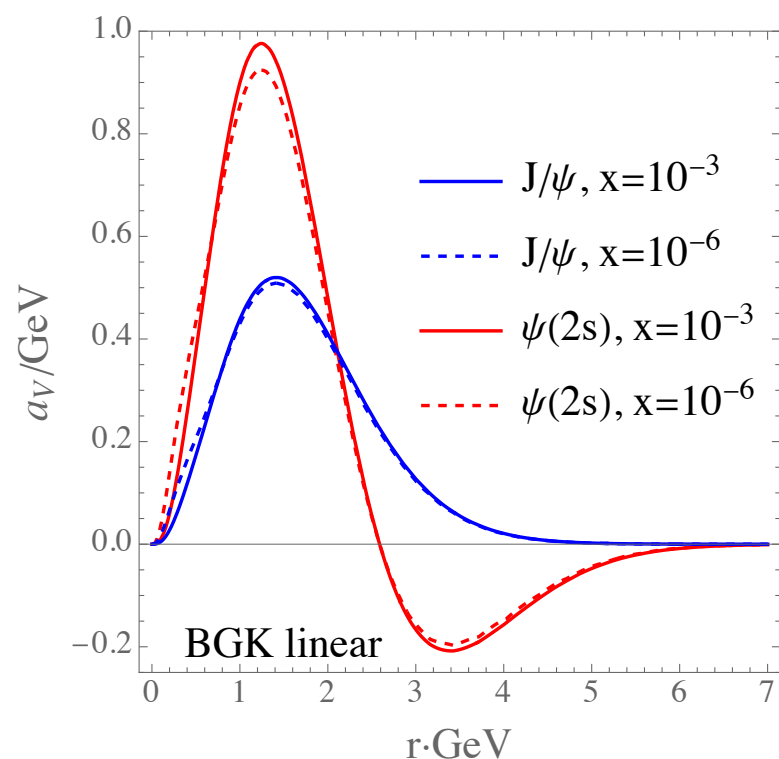
- Little overlap with geometric scaling region
- J/Ψ and $\Psi(2s)$ differ for $r \geq 2 \text{ GeV}^{-1} \rightarrow$ ratio could be sensitive to it
- Confirms what we have seen for the production cross-sections
- Expect sensitivity for photonuclear production at cross-section level

How does the relevant dipole size change with x?

“Unintegrated” amplitude

$$\Im \mathcal{A}(x) = \int d^2r \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{4\pi} (\psi_V^* \psi_T)(r, z) \sigma_{q\bar{q}}(r, x)$$

$$a_V(r) = \frac{2\pi r \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{4\pi} (\psi_V^* \psi_T)(r, z) \sigma_{q\bar{q}}(r, x)}{\Im \mathcal{A}_V(x)}, \quad \int_0^\infty dr a_V(r) = 1$$



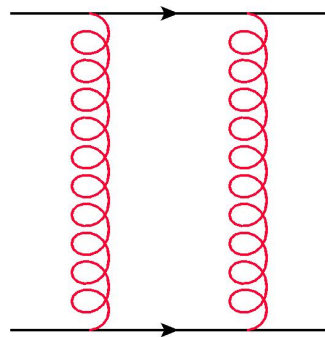
Collinear dipole cross-section (no saturation):
very moderate changes induced by DGLAP

Non-linear dipole model: changes are significant & different for J/Ψ and $\Psi(2s)$

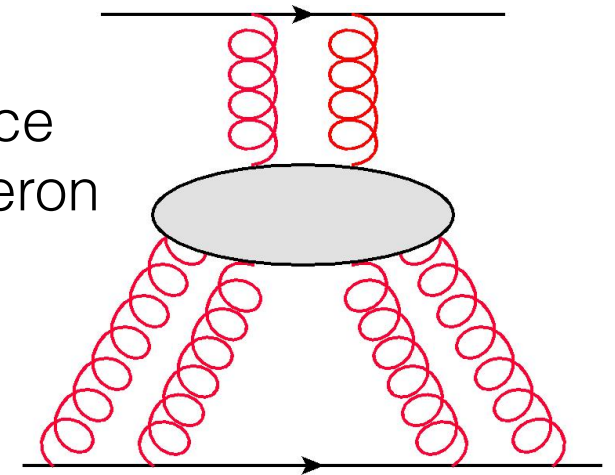
Modified saturation models: explore sensitivity to triple Pomeron vertex (=size of non-linearities)

Want to test/simulate:
What happens if I enhance the size of non-linearities?

Keep linear Pomeron (BFKL/DGLAP)



Enhance/reduce the triple Pomeron vertex



On the level of the dipole model: keep linear (perturbative) term unmodified

$$\sigma_{q\bar{q}}^{\text{GBW}}(x, r, k) = \sigma_0^{\text{GBW}} Q_s^2(x) \left(\frac{r^2}{4}\right) \left[1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \left(-k \cdot \frac{r^2 Q_s^2(x)}{4}\right)^n \right]$$

$$= \frac{\sigma_0^{\text{GBW}}}{k} \left[1 - \exp\left(-k \cdot \frac{r^2 Q_s^2(x)}{4}\right) \right].$$

Introduce a parameter ' k ' to control size of "triple Pomeron vertex"

$k \rightarrow 0$: linear limit

$k = 1$: existing HERA fit

$k > 1$: increase relevance of non-linear corrections

Same for BGK model

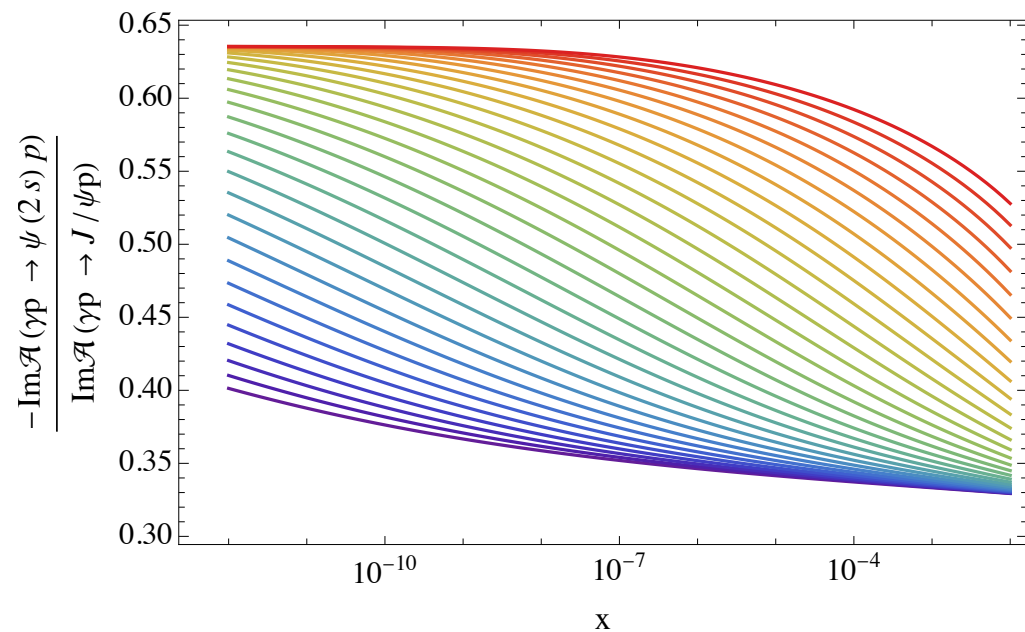
$$Q_s^2(x) = \frac{\text{\#of gluons}}{\text{transverse area}}$$

Ratio of $\Psi(2s)$ and J/Ψ scattering amplitudes

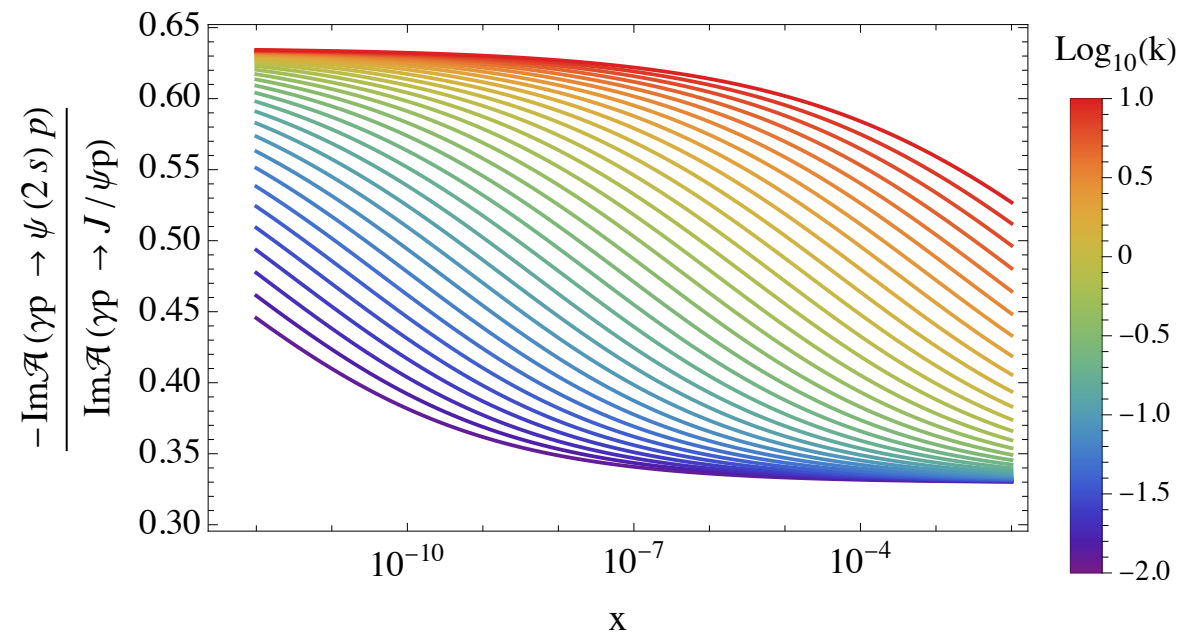
Not yet the cross-section,
but ratio of amplitudes

$$\frac{\Im \mathcal{A}(\gamma p \rightarrow \Psi(2s)p)}{\Im \mathcal{A}(\gamma p \rightarrow J/\Psi p)}$$

BGK



GBW



For decreasing $x = M_V^2/W^2$

- Confirm growth of ratio if target is sufficiently non-linear (either through enhanced non-linearities or through sufficiently low x)
- Occurs for geometric scaling region
- If we enter the saturated region: constant ratio; behavior directly related to density
→ non-linearities

What about collinear factorization?

.... already included with through BGK in $k \rightarrow 0$ limit
But this fixes the factorization scale & uses wave function

Approach based on NRQCD:

Leading order cross-section: [Ryskin; Z. Phys. C 1993]

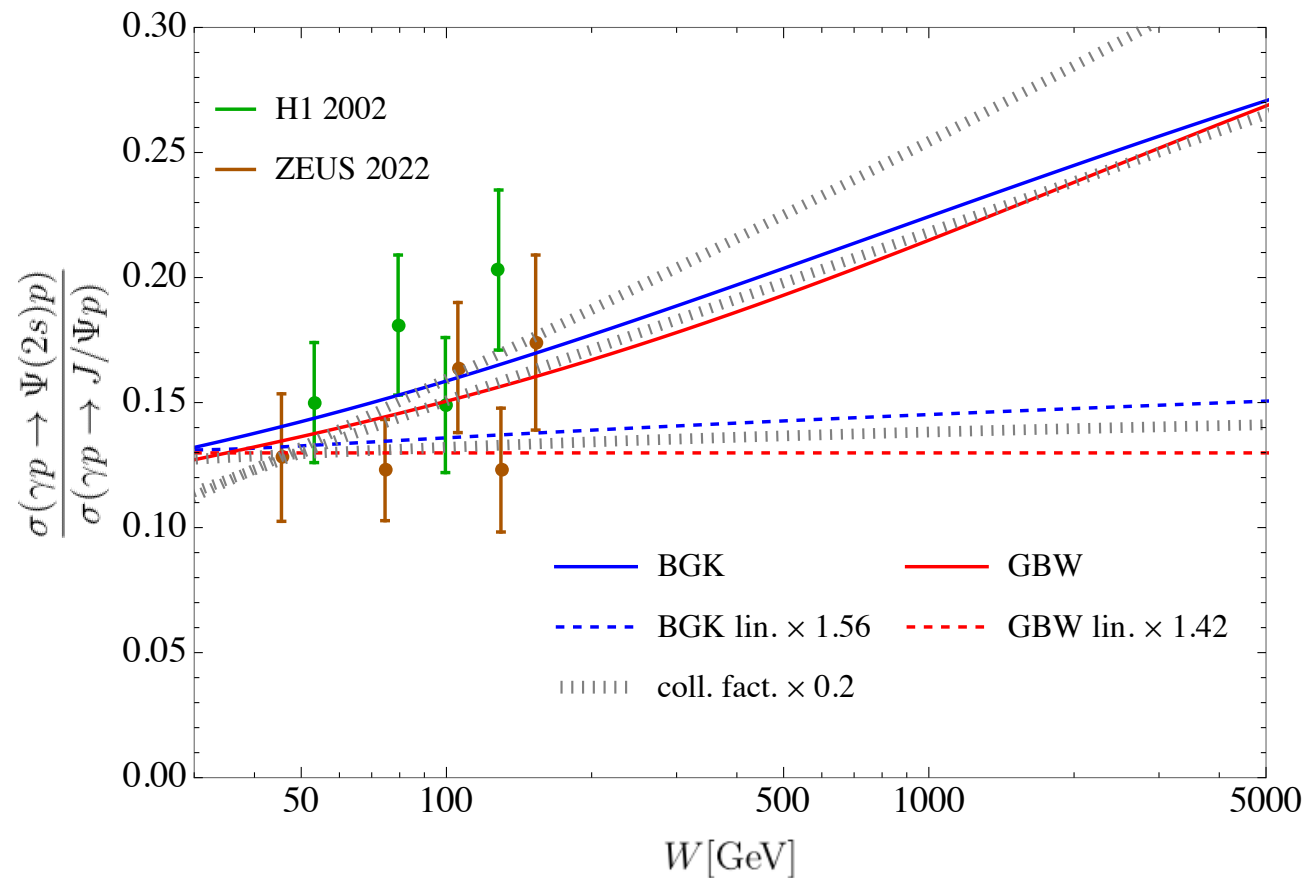
$$\left. \frac{d\sigma}{dt}(\gamma p \rightarrow V p) \right|_{t=0} = \frac{\Gamma_{ee}^V M_V^3 \pi^3}{48\alpha_{e.m.}} \left[\frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{\bar{Q}^4} xg(x, \mu^2) \right]^2$$

NLO (not discussed here):

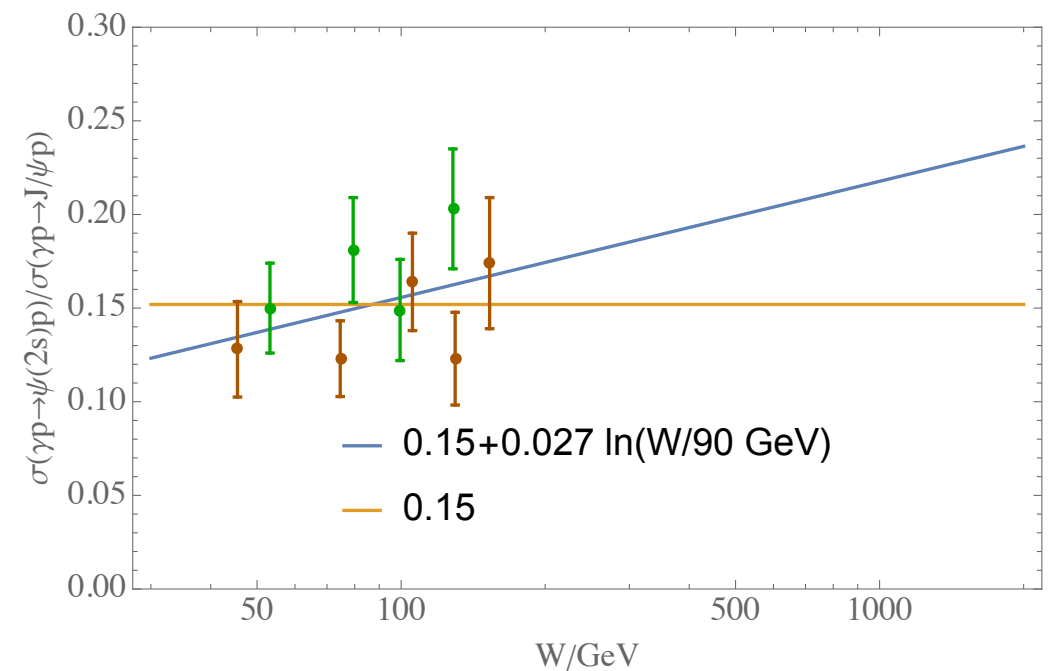
C. A. Flett, J. A. Gracey, S. P. Jones, and T. Teubner; 2105.07657.
Kari J. Eskola, Christopher A. Flett, Vadim Guzey, Topi Löytäinen, and Hannu Paukkunen;
2203.11613, 2210.16048.

- trivially constant, if $\mu = m_c$ (identical for both vector mesons)
 - Can generate growing ratio, if $\mu_{2s} > \mu_{1s}$ (could be justified from vector meson wave functions);
 - Also the choice $\mu_{2s} < \mu_{1s}$ could be made \rightarrow not a prediction
-
- Bottom line: collinear factorization fits x -dependence at $\mu \simeq m_c$ initial scale + huge factorization scale uncertainty \rightarrow predictive power is lost (at least at leading order)
 - Might provide valuable information on PDF input on low x , does not tell me about absence of non-linear x evolution
 - NLO: $\ln \mu_F P_{gg}(z) \sim 1/z \rightarrow$ requires additional resummation (BFKL resummed coll. fact. etc.)

Ratio on cross-section level (proton)



Fit to HERA data prefers rising ratio
(numerically close to slope of saturation models)



.... but essentially identical $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$

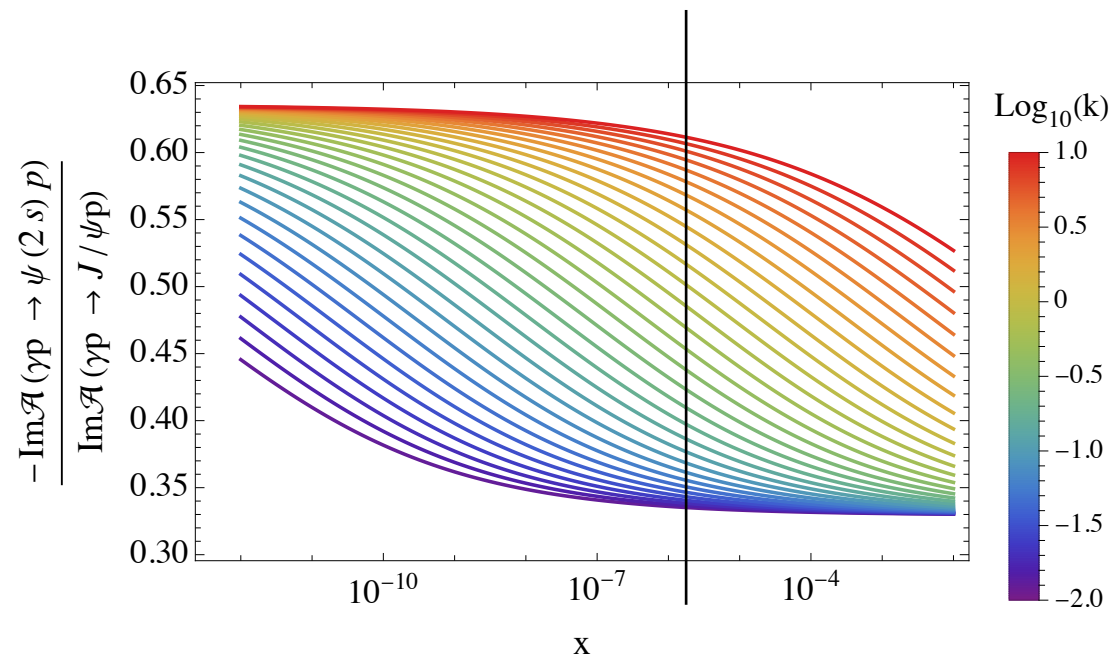
As expected:

- growing ratio with W for “non-linear” dipole models
- Constant ratio for linearized versions (\rightarrow even for ratio fails to describe normalization; expected since full models fitted to HERA data)
- Collinear factorization: anything is possible

Cross-sections and ratio for the nucleus

.... since there are already data, let's see

Increase density: photonuclear production



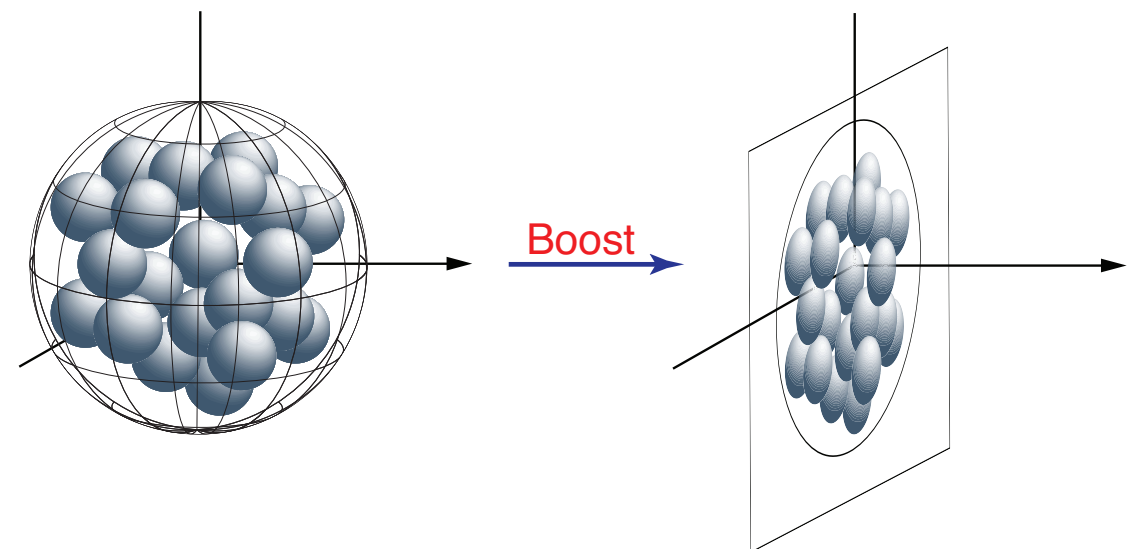
Higher densities ($k \geq 5$):

- Possible to see the slow down of the growth of the the ratio
- Nuclear data: $Q_s^2 \rightarrow Q_{s,A}^2 = A^{1/3} Q_s^2$
Pb: $A^{1/3} \simeq 5.9$
should be able to see this

Very simple model of nuclear dipole density (same for BGK):

$$\sigma_{q\bar{q}}^{GBW}(x, r, k) = \frac{\sigma_0}{k} \left[1 - \exp\left(-k \frac{Q_s^2(x) r^2}{4}\right) \right]$$

- Scale black disk limit: $\sigma_0 \rightarrow A^{2/3} \sigma_0$
 - Scale saturation scale $\sim \frac{\text{\#gluons}}{\perp \text{ area}}$
- $$Q_s^2 \rightarrow Q_{s,A}^2 = A^{1/3} Q_s^2$$



Diffractive slope for Pb

Prediction requires diffractive slope $B_D(W)$

For proton: taken from HERA data

[Krelina, Nemchick, Pasechnik, Cepila; 1812.03001]

$$\sigma^{\gamma p \rightarrow Vp}(W^2) = \frac{1}{B_D(W)} \frac{d\sigma}{dt} (\gamma p \rightarrow Vp) \Big|_{t=0}$$

Procedure: $\frac{d\sigma}{d|t|} = \frac{d\sigma}{d|t|} \Big|_{t=0} \cdot e^{-B_D|t|}$

With $\frac{d\sigma}{dt} (\gamma p \rightarrow Vp) \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{1}{16\pi} |\mathcal{A}^{\gamma p \rightarrow Vp}(W^2, t=0)|^2$

And fit $B_D(W)$ to data

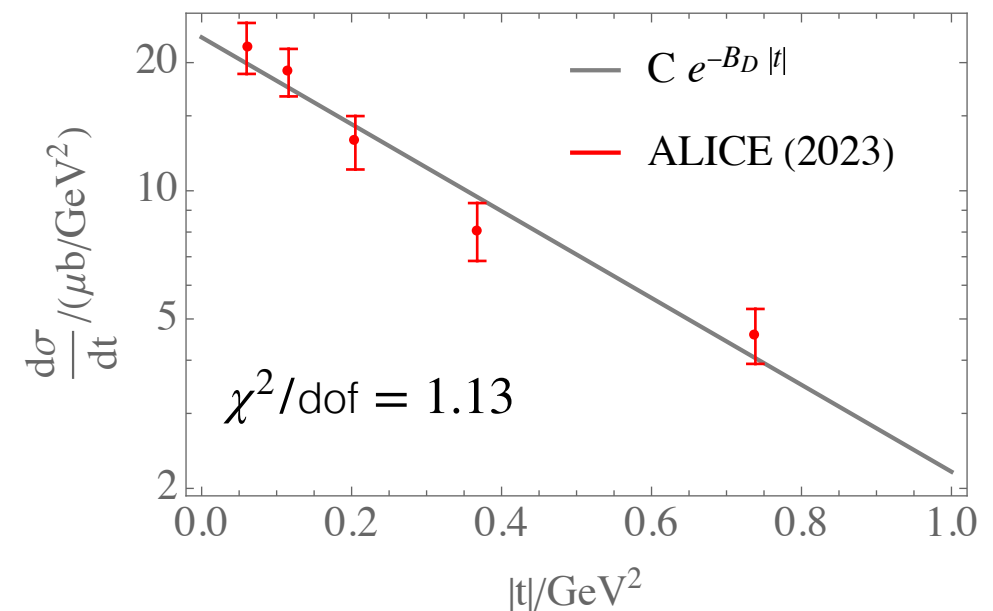
Pb: fit recent ALICE data (averaged over W)

[ALICE collab; 2305.06169]

Find

$$B_D = (2.35 \pm 0.29) \text{GeV}^{-2}$$

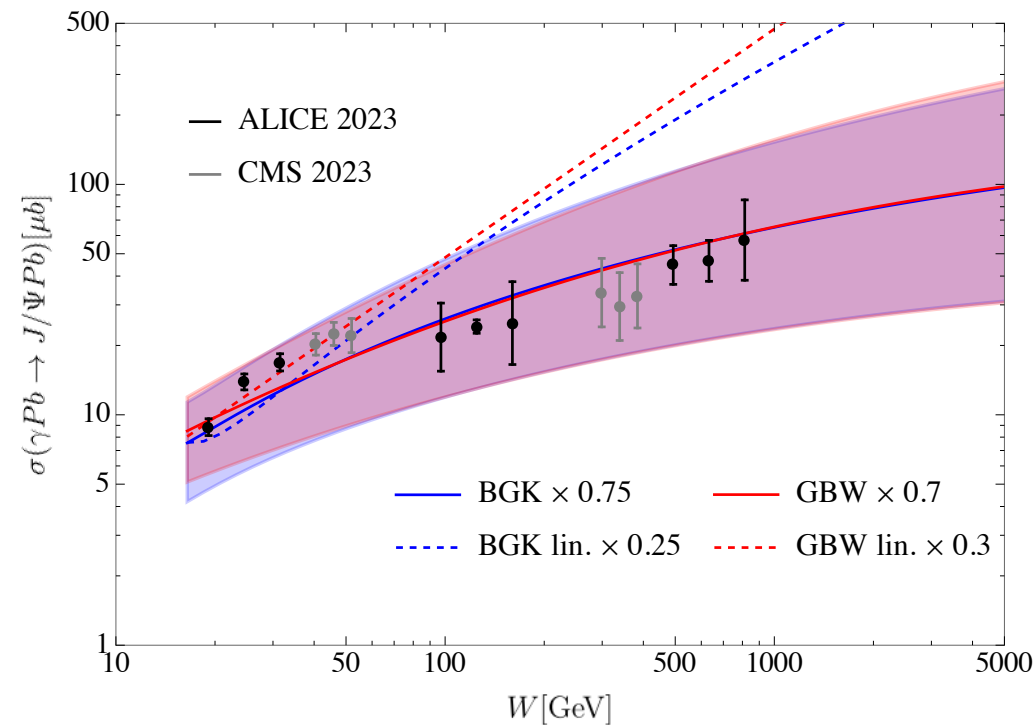
$$C = (22.9 \pm 2.4) \mu\text{b}/\text{GeV}^{-2}$$



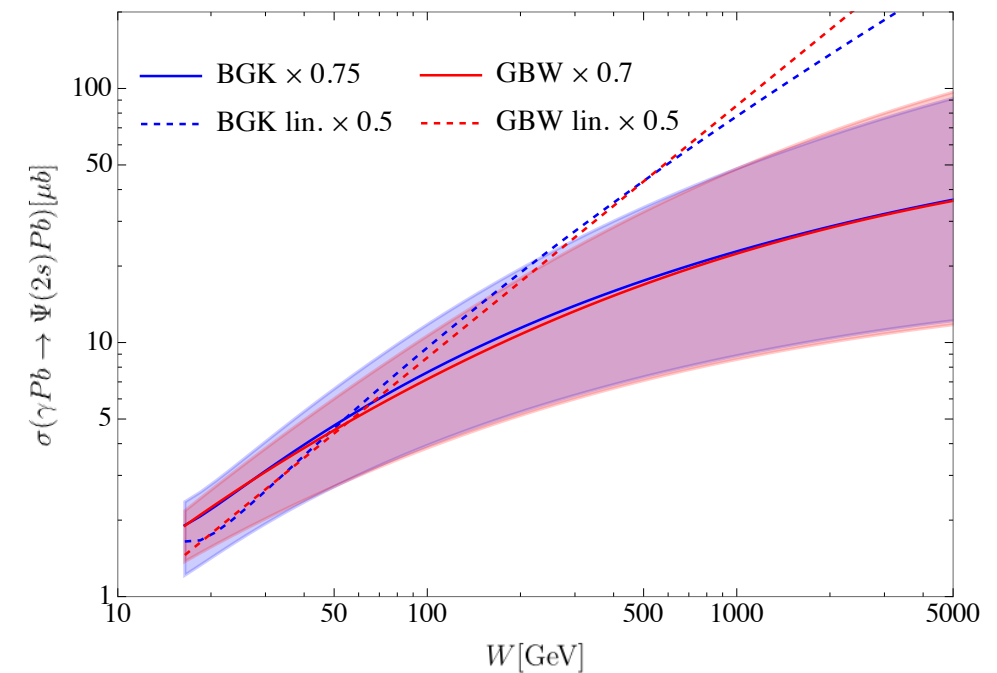
In principle different distribution possible for nucleus; exponential fits well

Cross-sections

Description for J/Ψ



Prediction for $\Psi(2s)$

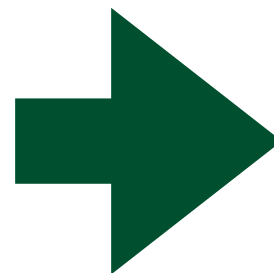


Underlying dipole cross-section

$$\sigma_{q\bar{q}}(x, r, k) = A^{\frac{1}{3}} \sigma_0 \left[1 - \exp \left(-A^{\frac{1}{3}} \frac{Q_s^2(x) r^2}{4} \right) \right]$$

Potentially more appropriate:

- impact parameter dependent dipole amplitude
- Variations of saturation scale as a function of \mathbf{b}



Simple scaling works surprisingly well
(But also a constant slope could fit data)

For other descriptions, see dedicated talks at this meeting

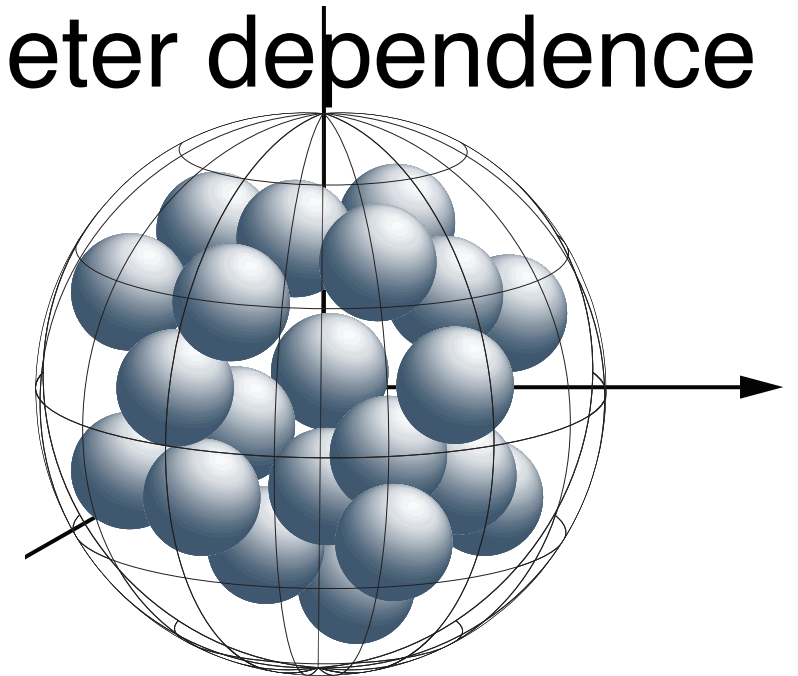
An attempt to include impact parameter dependence

[Kowalski, Teaney; hep-ph/0304189]

$$\frac{d\sigma_{q\bar{q}}}{d^2\mathbf{b}} = \prod_{i=1}^A \int d^3r_i P(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_A) \cdot 2N(x, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{b}, \vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_A)$$

$$P(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_A) = \prod_i \frac{\rho(\vec{r}_i)}{A}$$

$$\rho^{\text{WS}}(\vec{r}) = \frac{N}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{\sqrt{r^2} - R_A}{\delta}\right)}$$

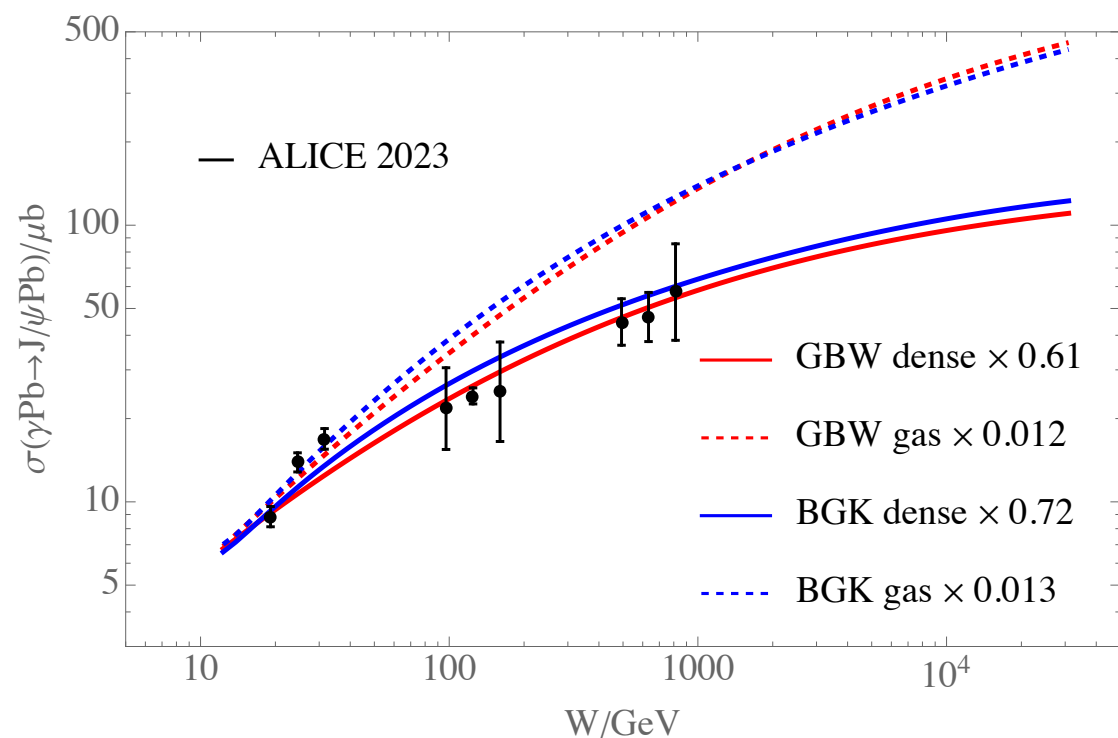


In this model: high energy nucleus = a gas of nucleons

$$\frac{d\sigma_{q\bar{q}}}{d^2\mathbf{b}} = 2 \left[1 - \left(1 - \frac{I}{A} \right)^A \right]$$

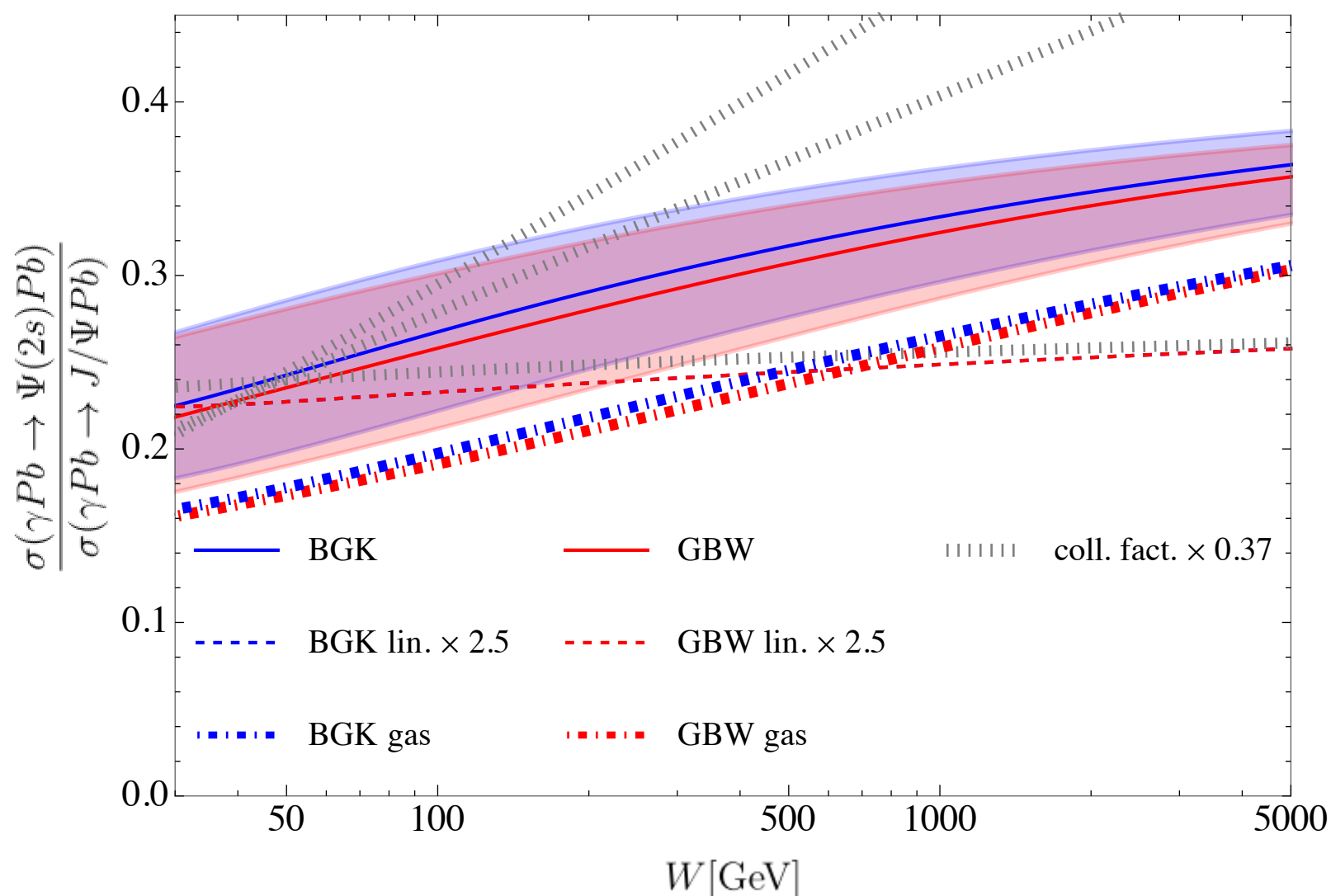
$$I = \int d^2\mathbf{b}' T_A(\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{b}') N(x, r, b, 1) \simeq \frac{1}{2} T_A(\mathbf{b}) \sigma_{q\bar{q}}(x, r, 1)$$

$$T_A(\mathbf{b}) = \int dz \rho(\mathbf{b}, z) \text{ nuclear profile function}$$



- Energy dependence in gas like model = proton dipole cross-section x nuclear distribution
- model leads to a growth with energy which is too strong (and fails badly for normalization)
- Boosted nucleus is not “gas”-like

Predictions for the photo-nuclear cross-section ratio



- onset of bending for scaled saturation scale $A^{\frac{1}{3}} Q_s^2$
- “Gas-like” reproduces ratio for the proton
- prediction of collinear factorization somehow arbitrary
- If both vector mesons are treated with identical factorization scales (heavy quark mass) \rightarrow constant

Conclusion:

- ratio is a valid indicator for the presence of non-linear QCD dynamics in particular the geometric scaling region
- Should be there for the proton, stronger for lead; in principle independent of fitting data
- Requirement: Presence/Absence of a node in 2s/1s wave function \rightarrow expect this to be a is model independent non-perturbative feature

Appendix

Why is the ratio constant in absence of non-linear effects?

Easiest seen for GBW model, holds also for BGK etc.

Linearized GBW:

$$\sigma_{q\bar{q}}^{GBW}(x, r) = \sigma_0 \left(1 - \exp\left(-\frac{r^2 Q_s^2(x)}{4}\right) \right) \rightarrow \sigma_0 \frac{r^2 Q_s^2(x)}{4}$$

Scattering amplitude

$$\Im \mathcal{A}(x) = \int d^2 r \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{4\pi} (\psi_V^* \psi_T)(r, z) \sigma_{q\bar{q}}(r, x)$$

Linearized:

$$\Im \mathcal{A}^{lin.}(x) \sim Q_s^2(x) \cdot \int dr \dots$$

For **LINEAR** GBW



Energy/x-dependence
independent of wave
function overlap
→ cancels for ratio

Full dipole model: x-dependence does not cancel → ratio with non-trivial energy dependence