
Scaling function
for exclusive production of
vector mesons and DVCS in the
saturation scheme

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In this episode...

- **Scaling curve** for the cross section
- ...for exclusive production of **vector mesons** and Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (**DVCS**) in γp and γA
- **Geometrical Scaling** phenomenon

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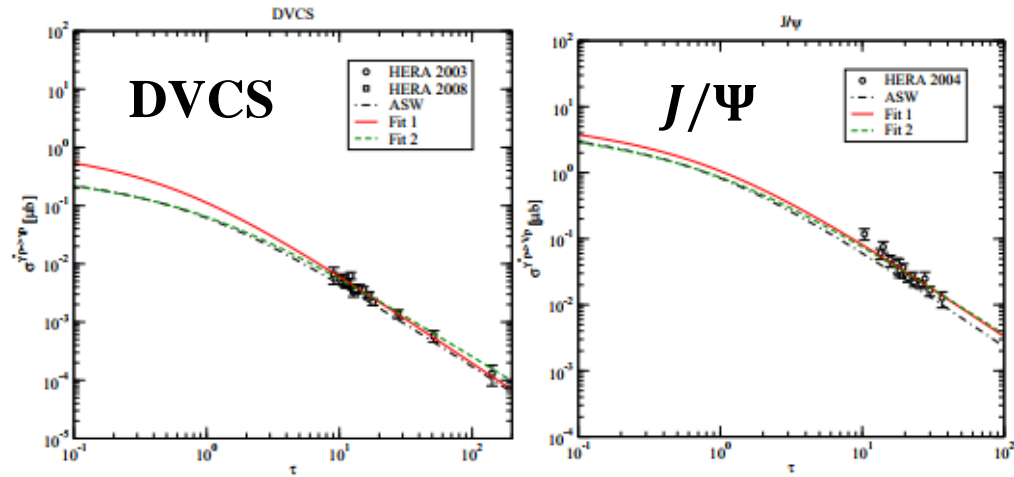


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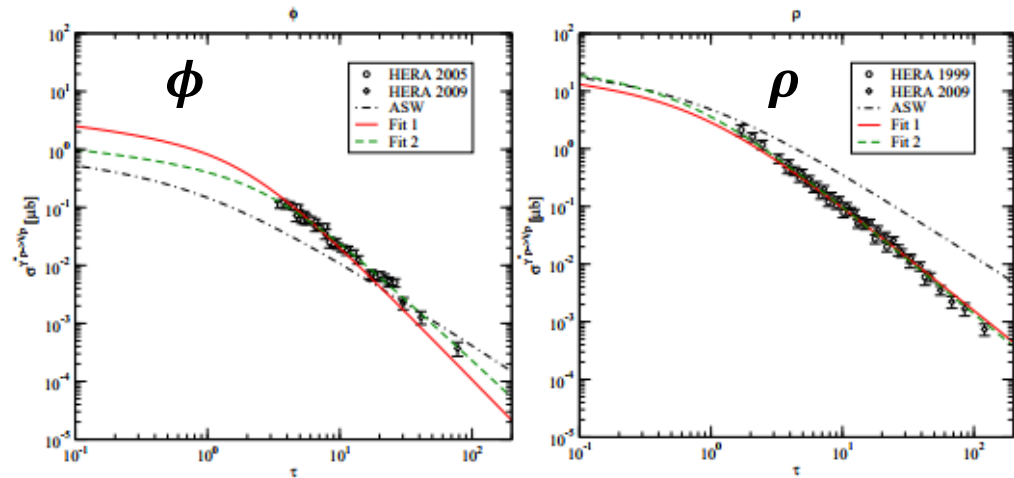
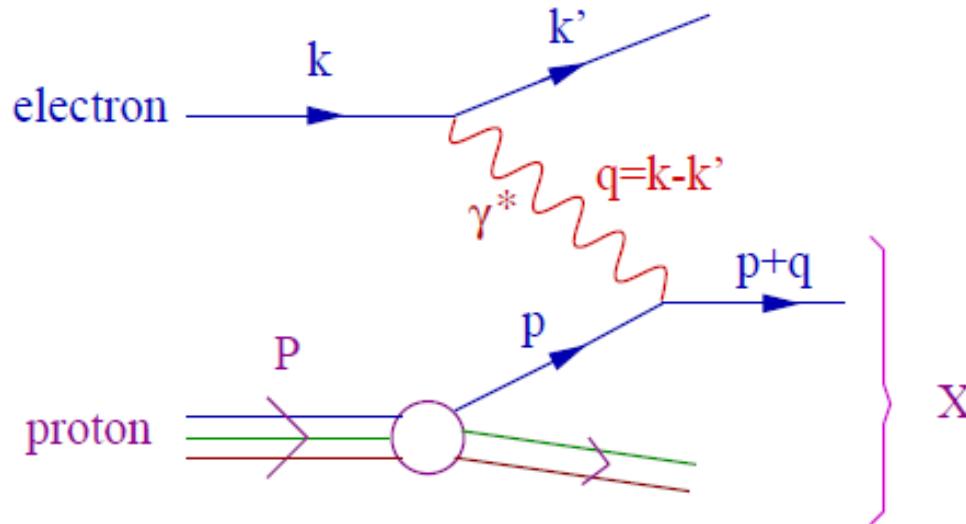


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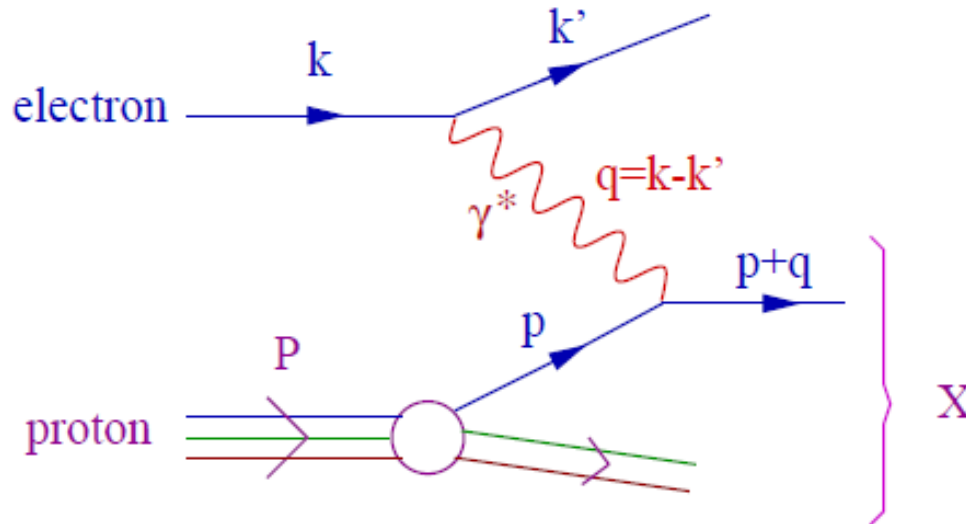
- Useful kinematic variables (2 independent ones):

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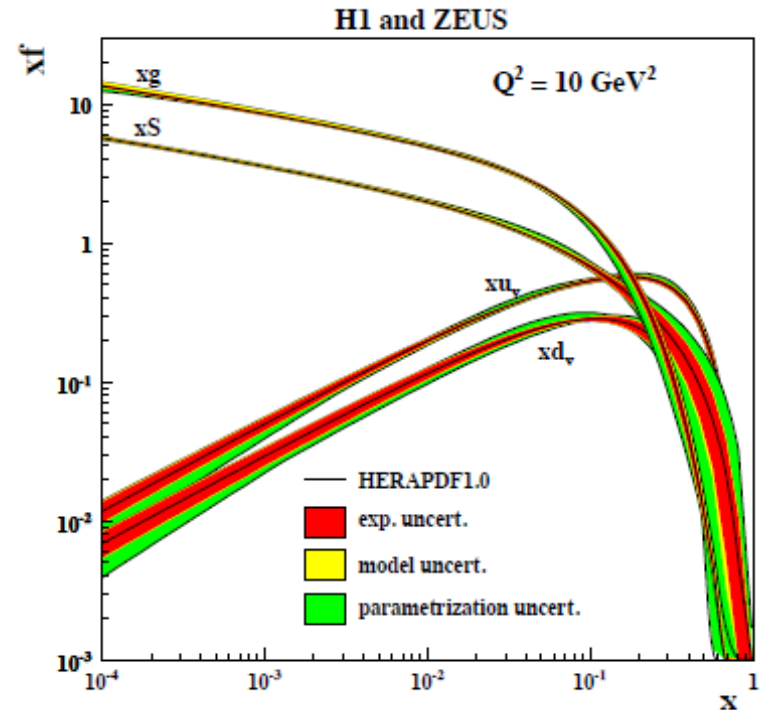
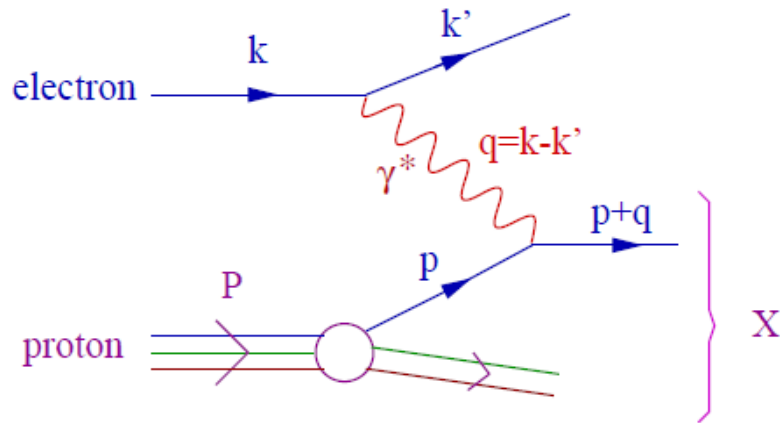


- High energy: $s \gg Q^2 \leftrightarrow \text{small } x \approx \frac{Q^2}{s} \ll 1$

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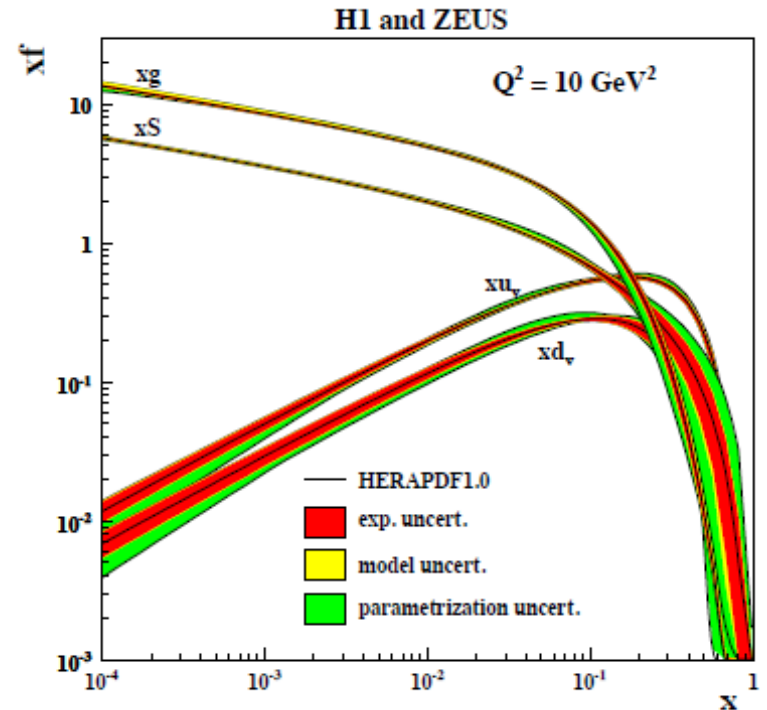
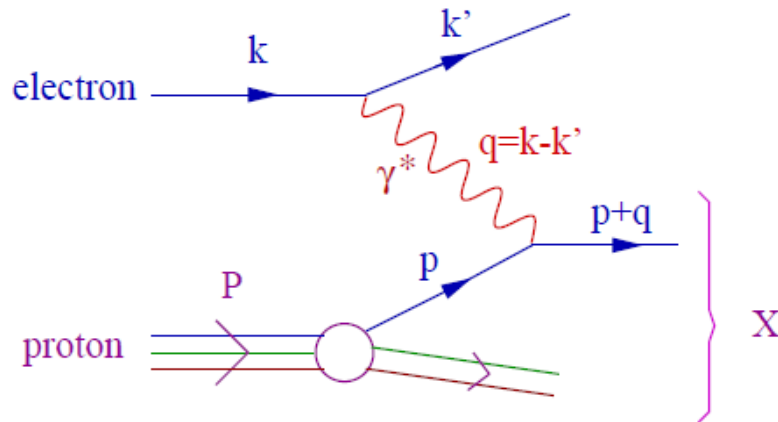
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- Parton distribution functions $xq(x, Q^2)$ and $xG(x, Q^2)$
 - Number of partons (quarks, gluons) with transverse area $A \sim \frac{1}{Q^2}$ and $p_z = xP_z$

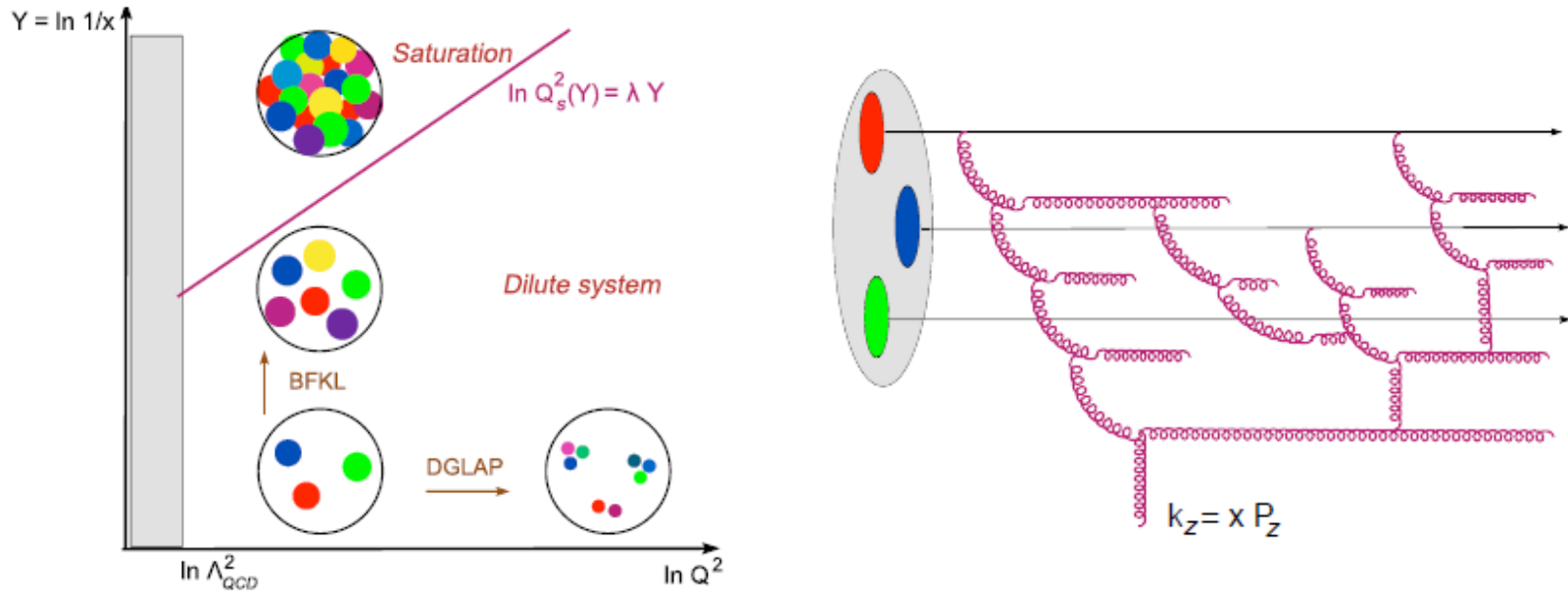
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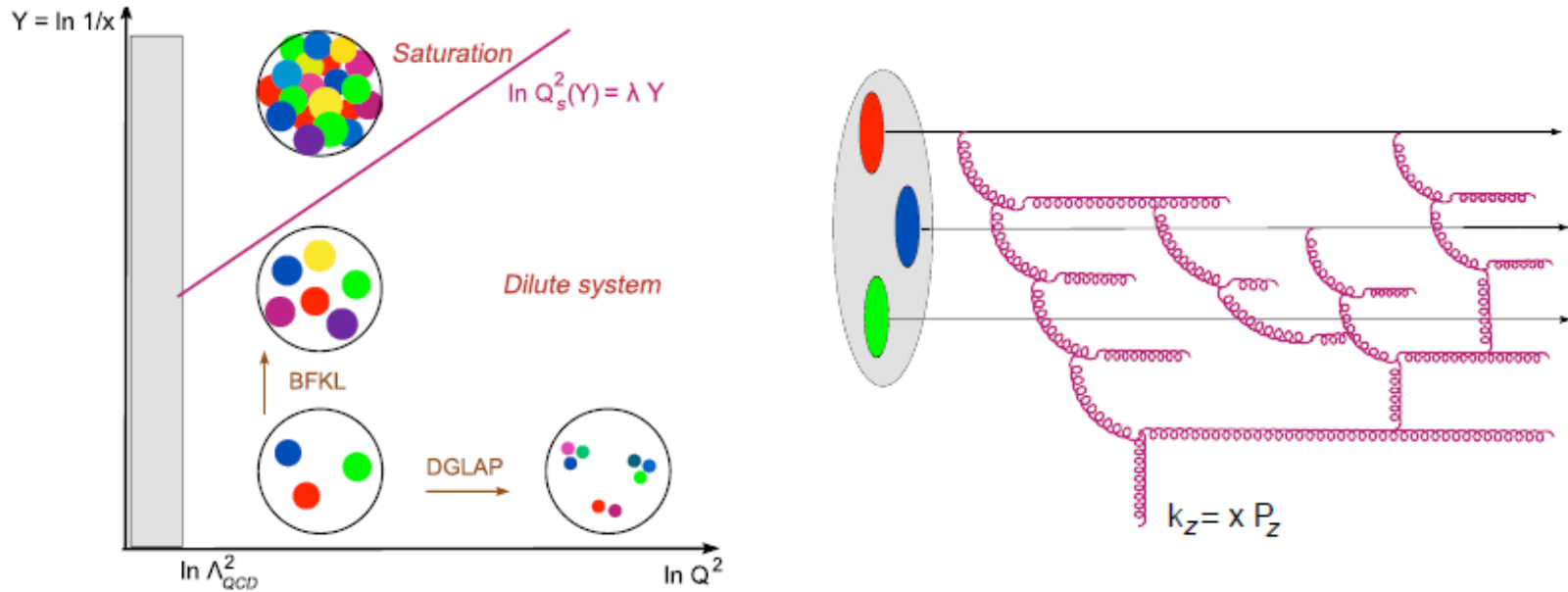
- At small x hadron wavefunction is mostly gluons
- Partonic content changes when changing x or Q^2 due to additional radiation

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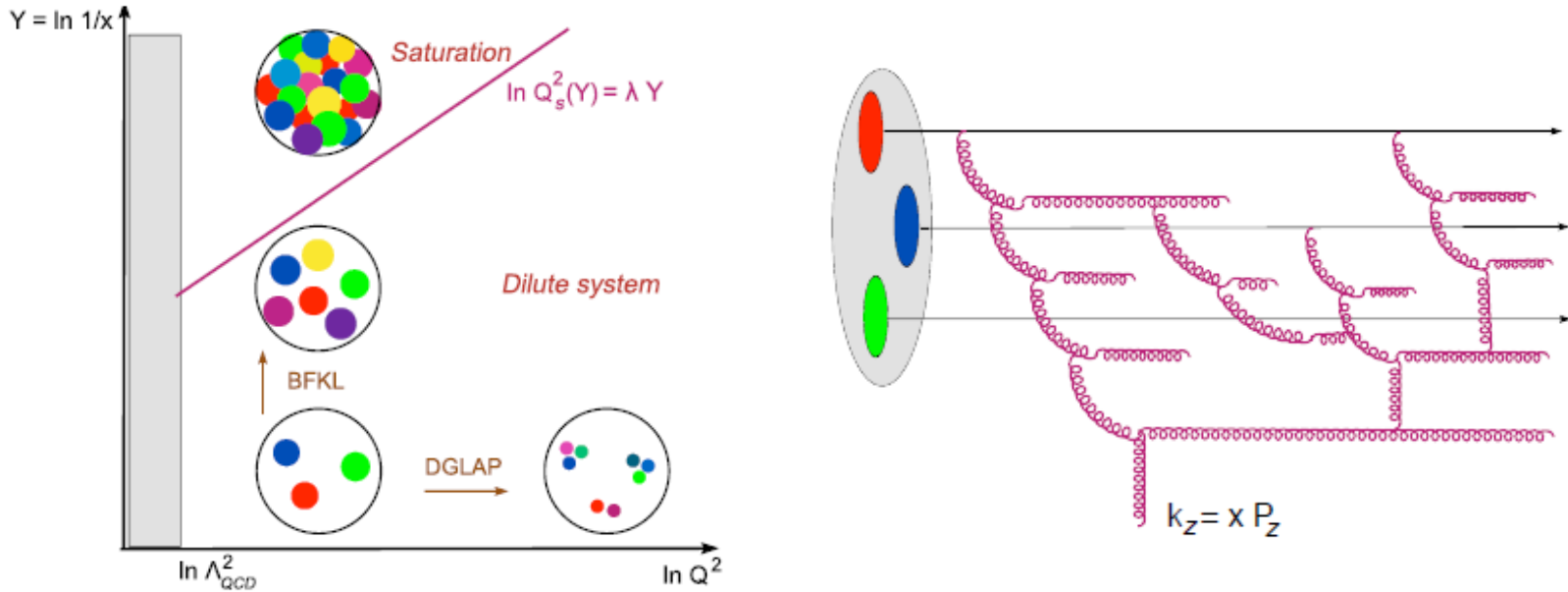
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Geometrical Scaling

- Stasto, et. al (2001)

Saturation \rightarrow Inclusive ep cross section is a function of a single variable τ

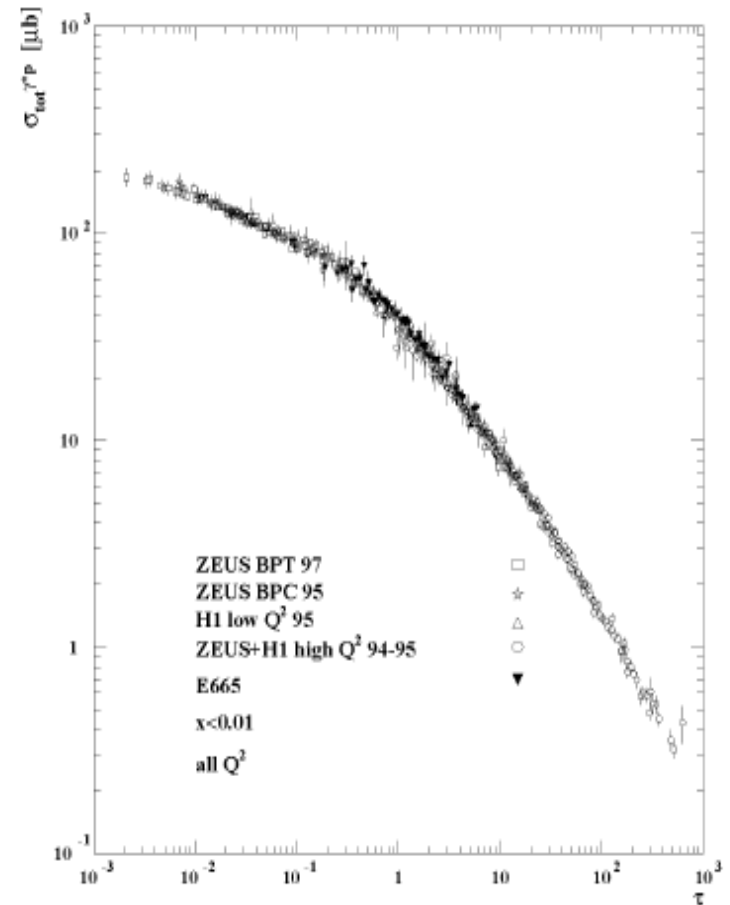
$$\sigma_{\gamma^*p}(x, Q^2) = \sigma_{\gamma^*p}(\tau)$$

Where $\tau = Q^2/Q_s^2(x)$

And $Q_s(x) = Q_0 x^{-\lambda}$ defines the saturation scale

- HERA confirmation:

$$x < 0.01 \text{ and } Q^2 \leq 400 \text{ GeV}^2$$

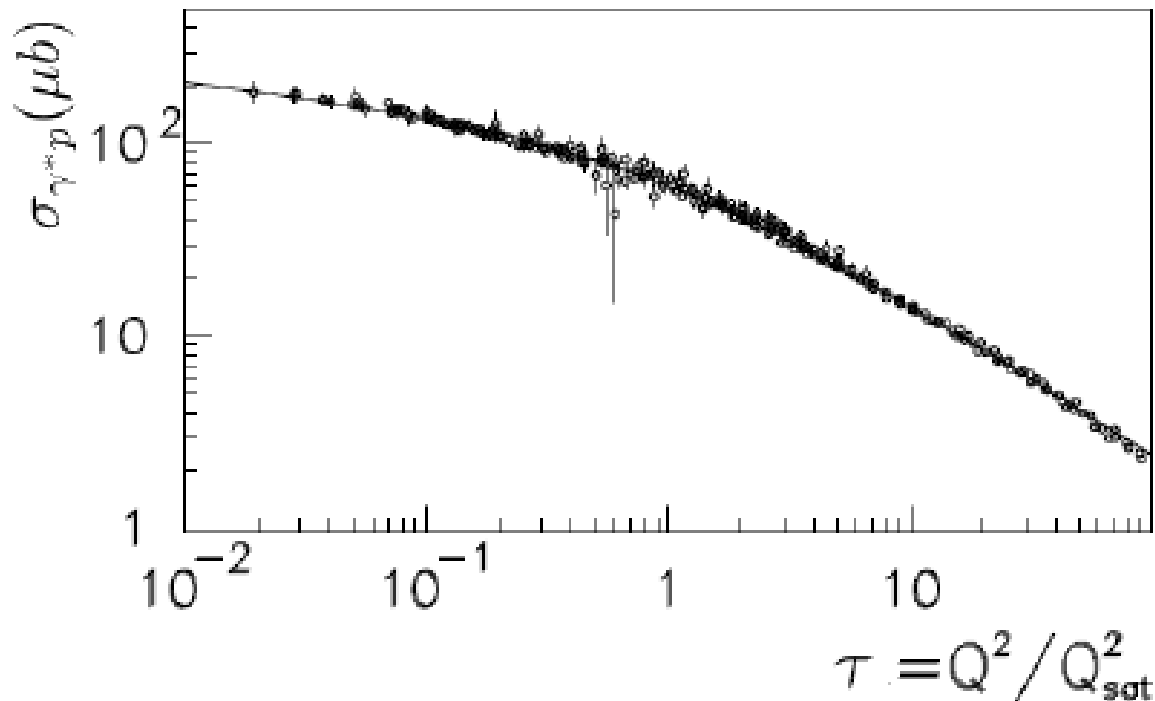


Inclusive Scaling Curve

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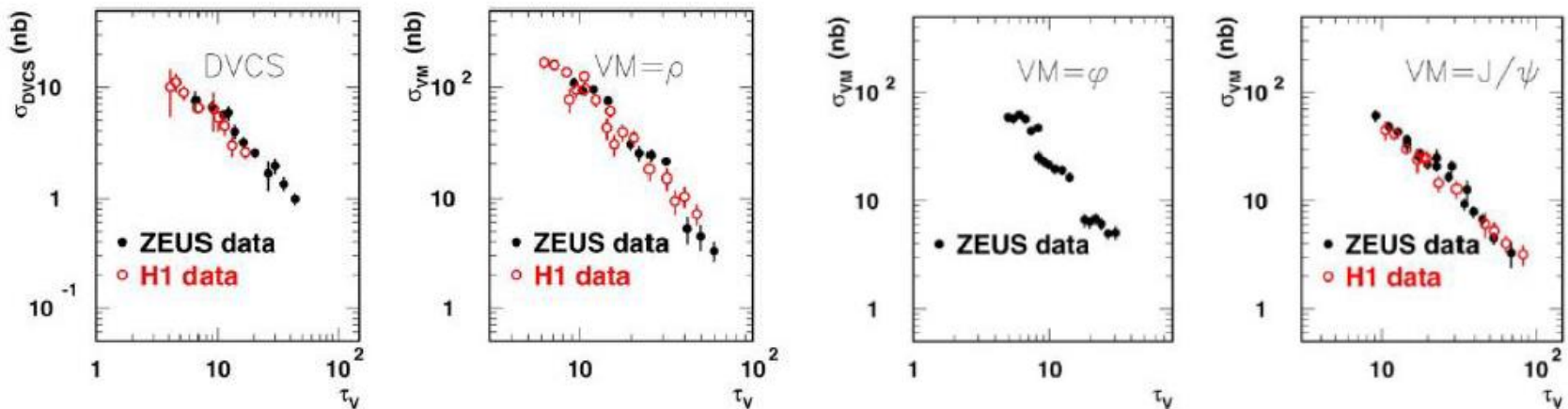
Vector Meson Production

Marquet, et. al (2006) → geometrical scaling in vector meson production and DVCS

For vector meson production

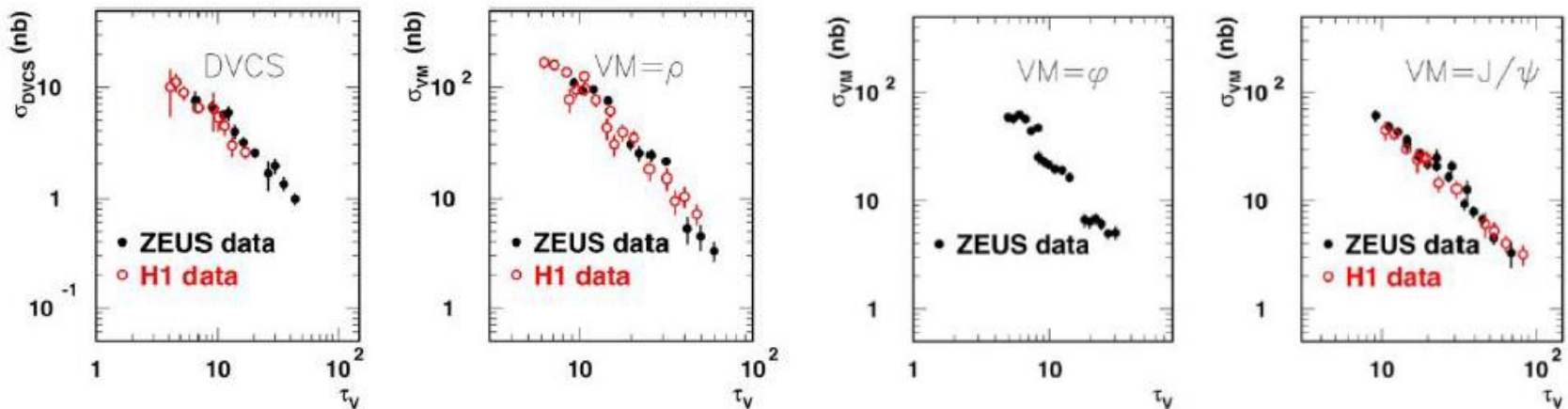
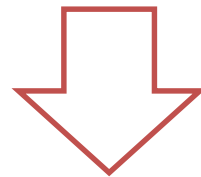
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where $\tau_V = Q^2/Q_S^2(x_P) \text{ e } x_P = \frac{Q^2 + M_V^2}{Q^2 + W^2}$



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A scaling curve expression that describes DVCS and vector meson cross sections



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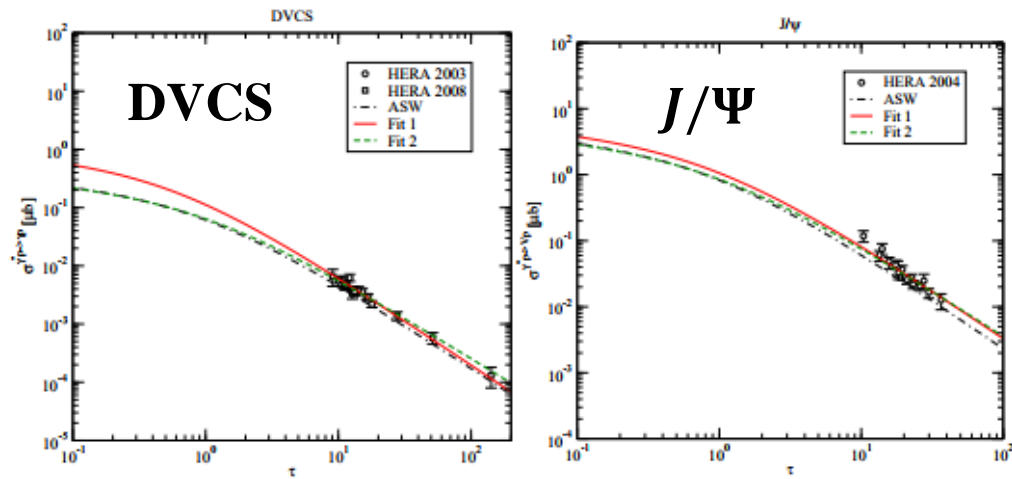


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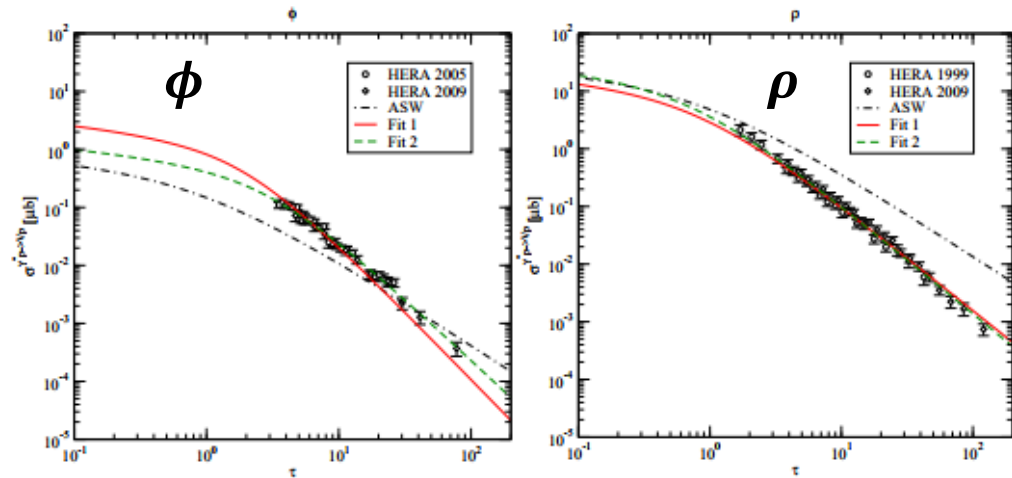


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$$\sigma_{\gamma^*p}(\tau) = \overline{\sigma}_0[\gamma_E + \Gamma(0, \xi) + \ln \xi]$$

- Similar expression for $\gamma^*p \rightarrow \gamma^*p$ (**elastic cross section**) comes from Optical Theorem + Eikonal approach

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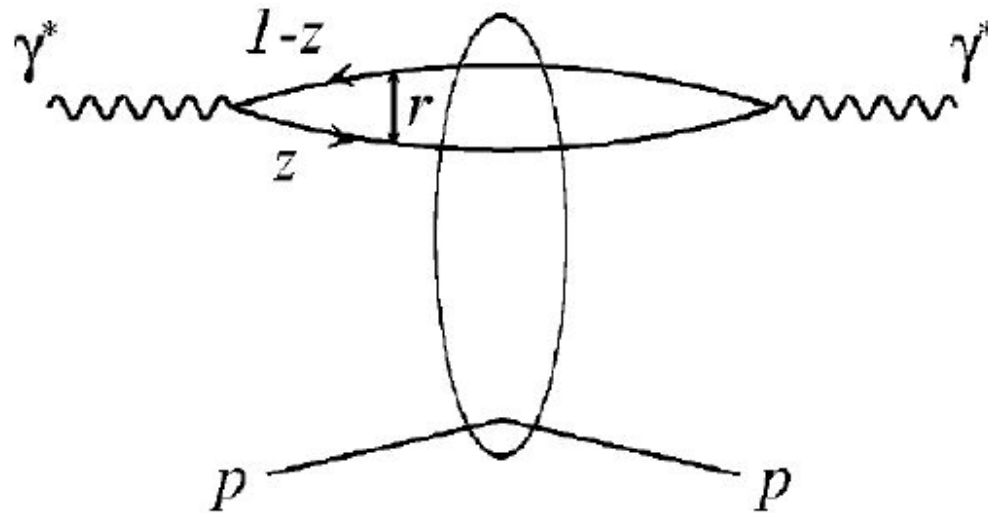
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- Will treat $\gamma^* p \rightarrow Vp$ as **quasielastic** and modify elastic cross section $\gamma^* p \rightarrow \gamma^* p$ to obtain expression for vector meson

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- In the dipole framework one can write

$$\sigma_{\gamma^*p} \propto \int dz \int d^2r \psi^*(z, r, Q^2) \hat{\sigma}(x, r^2) \psi(z, r, Q)$$

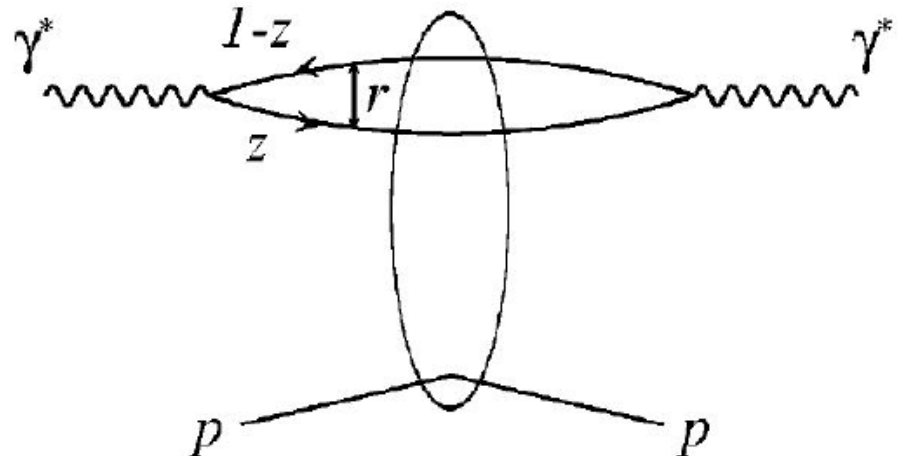
$$\frac{d\sigma_{VM}}{dt} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \left| \int dz \int d^2r \psi_V^*(z, r, Q^2) \hat{\sigma}(x_p, r^2) \psi(z, r, Q) \right|^2$$

Vector meson wavefunction ψ_V is model dependent! (Motyka, et. al)

- In essence:

$$\sigma_{\gamma^*p} \propto \psi^* \psi \propto \alpha_{EM} \sum_F e_f^2$$

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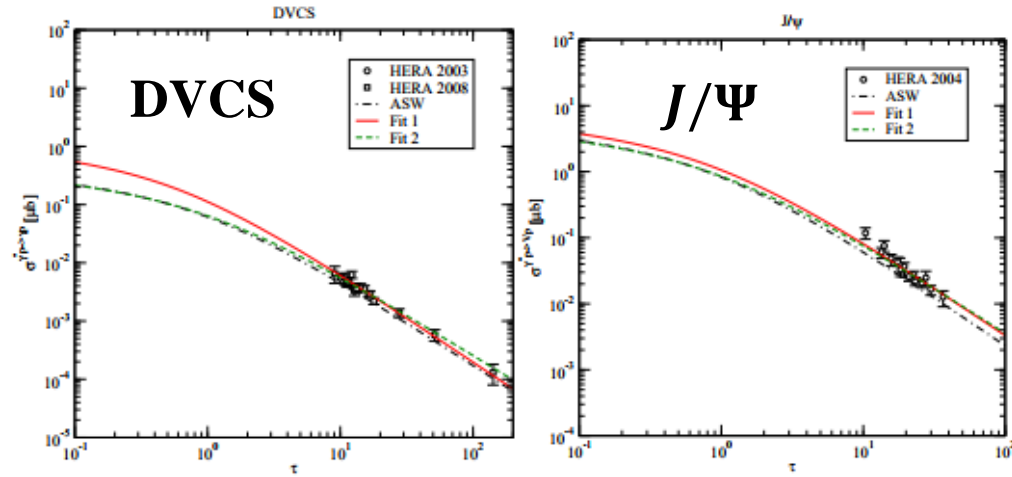


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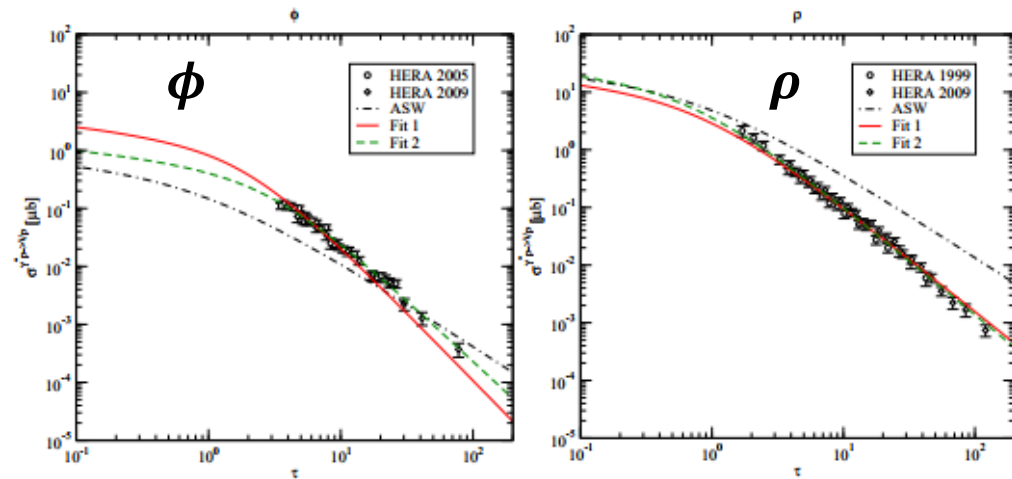


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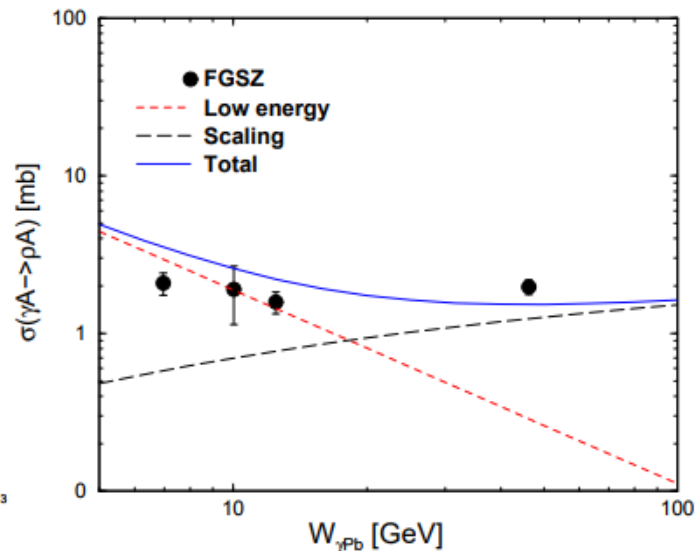
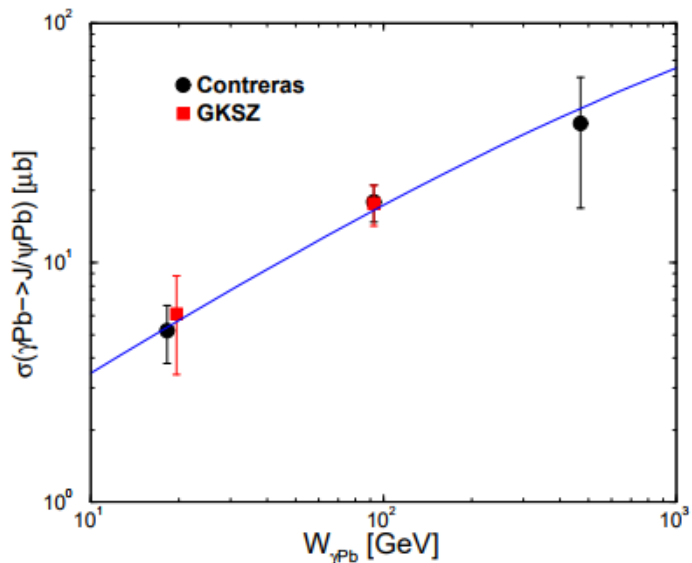
Nuclear targets

Geometrical scaling translates to nuclear targets

$$\sigma^{\gamma^* A \rightarrow EA}(\tau_A) = \frac{\pi R_A^2}{\pi R_P^2} \sigma^{\gamma^* p \rightarrow Ep}(\tau = \tau_A)$$

Where $\tau_A = \tau_P \left[\frac{\pi R_A^2}{A \pi R_P^2} \right]^\Delta$

Parameters from Fit 2
for γp data



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Thank you!

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Post credit F.A.Q. backup!

What about diffraction?

$\sigma_{DIFF}^{\gamma^* p \rightarrow Xp}$ data also suggests scaling behaviour $\sigma_D(x_P, Q^2) = \sigma_D(\tau_d)$

Ask me about it on the next conference!

