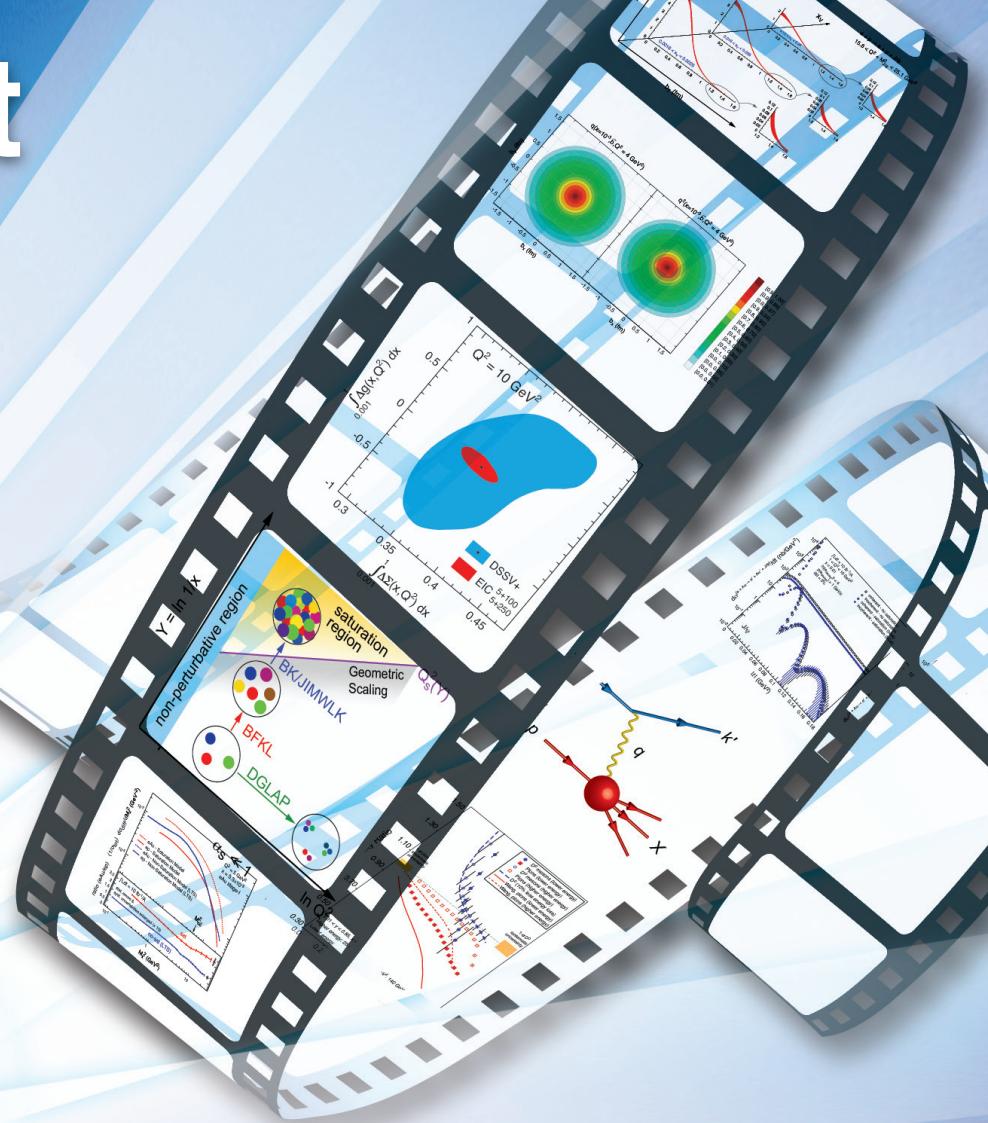
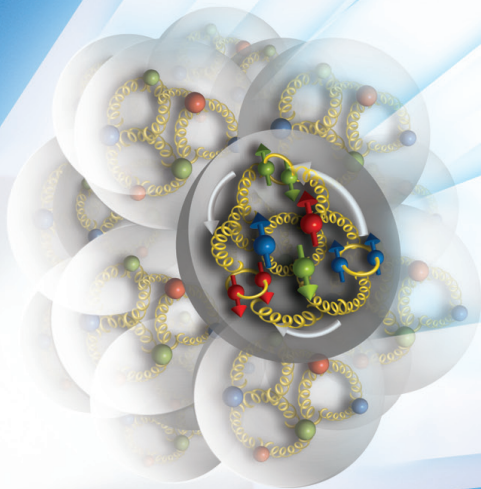


The Glue That Binds Us

Imaging matter below 10^{-15} m with an
Electron-**I**on **C**ollider



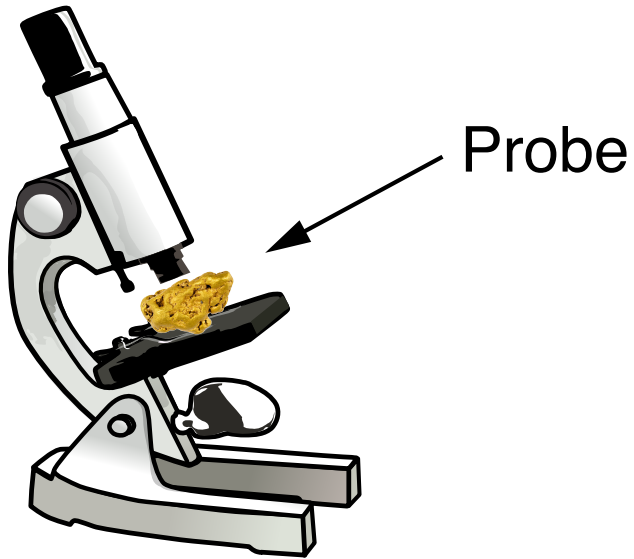
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Houston, March 24, 2015

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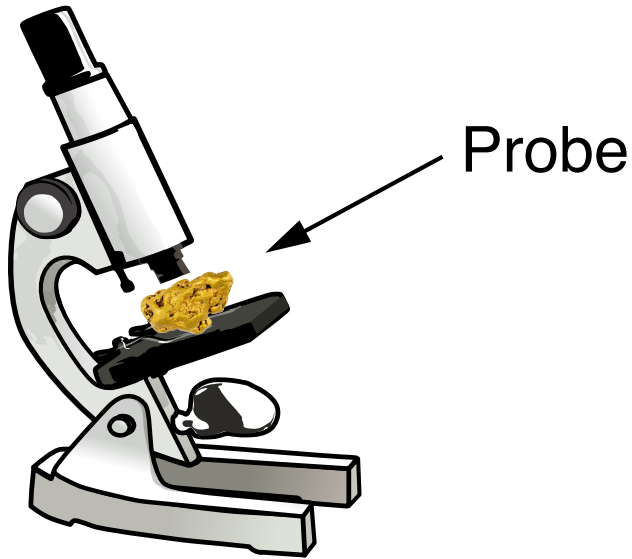


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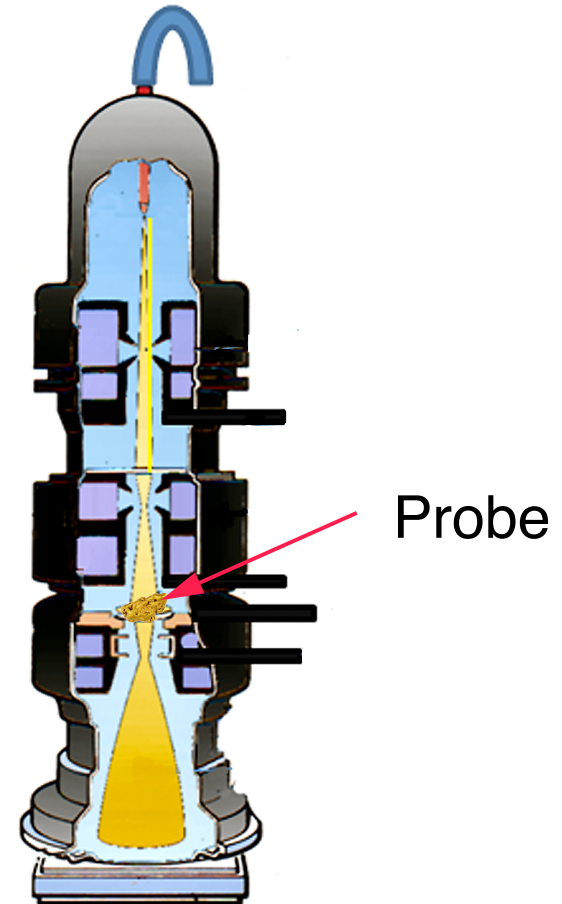
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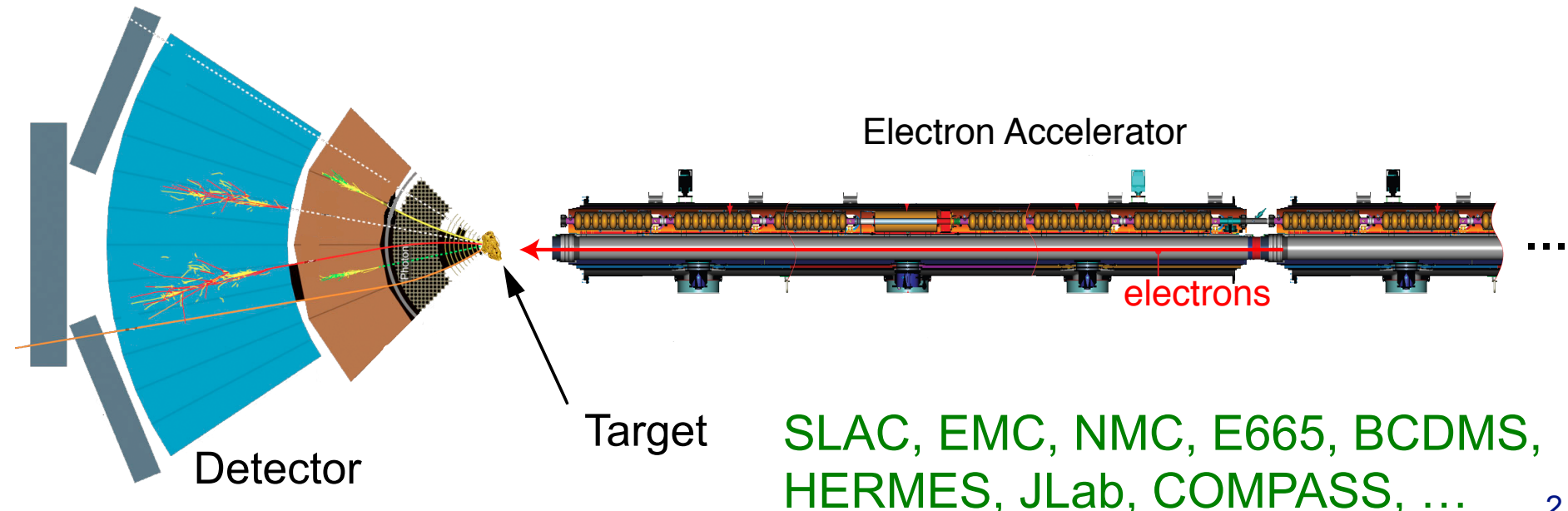
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Fixed Target Particle

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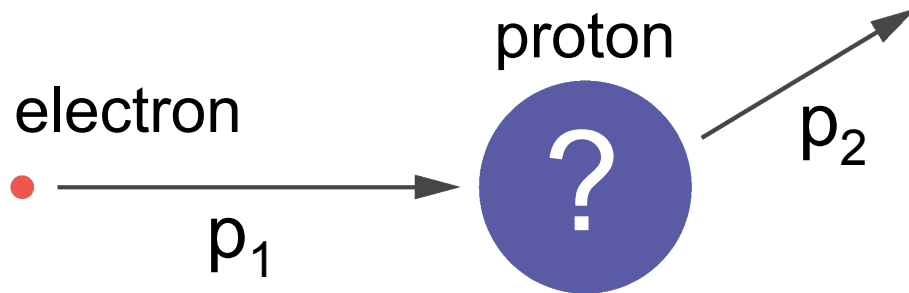
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Mott = Rutherford + Spin

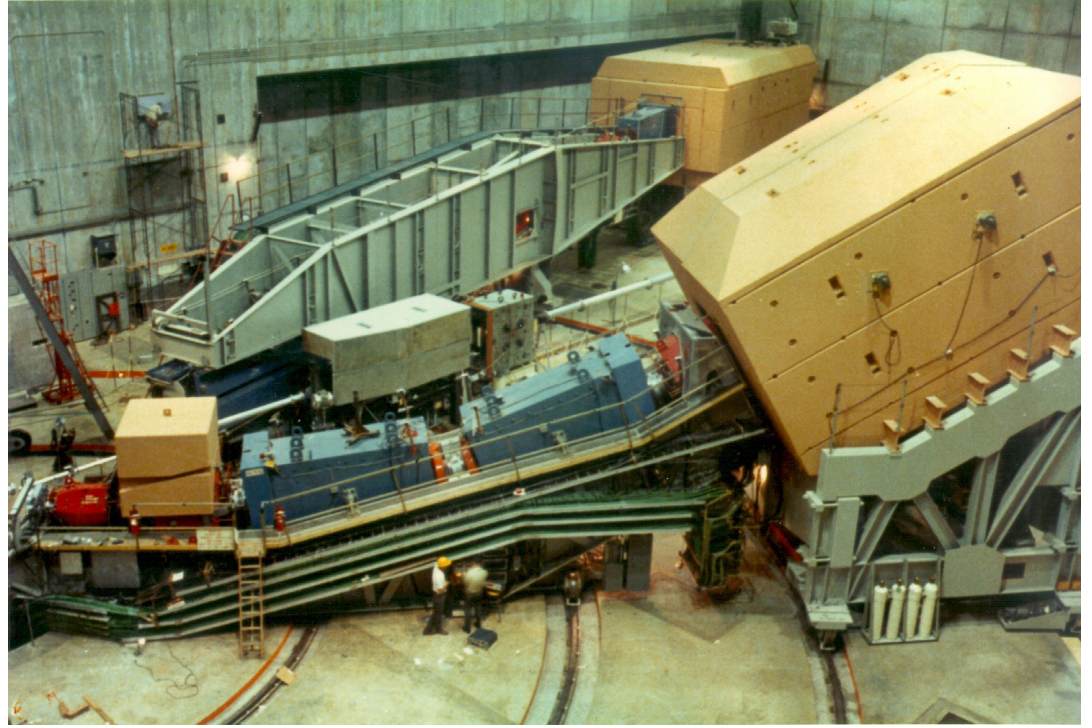
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{Mott}} |F(q^2)|^2$$

$$q^2 = (\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2)^2$$

Formfactor: $F(q^2)$
*Fourier transform
of charge distributions*

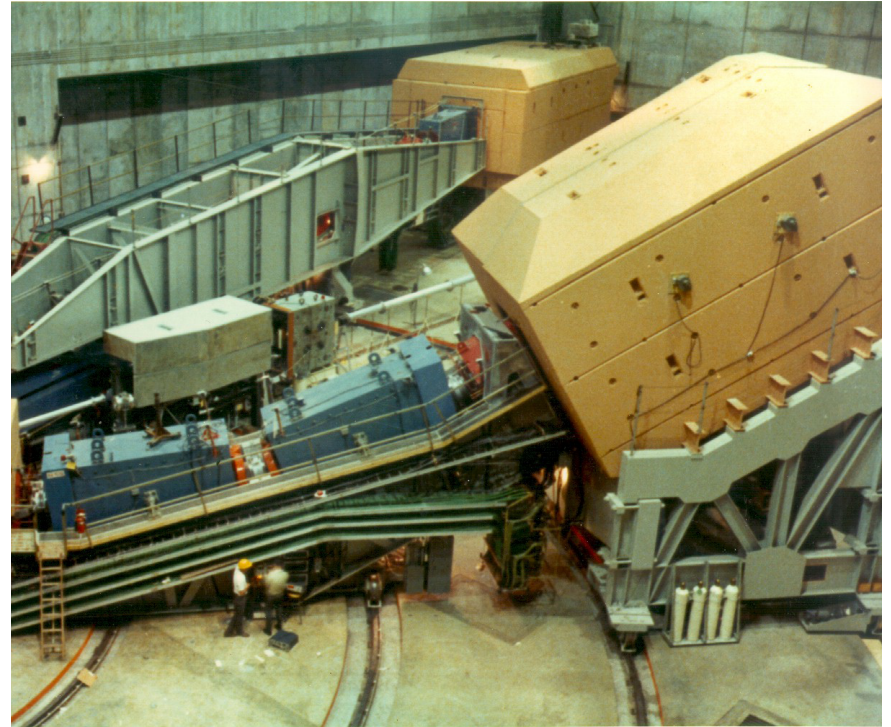
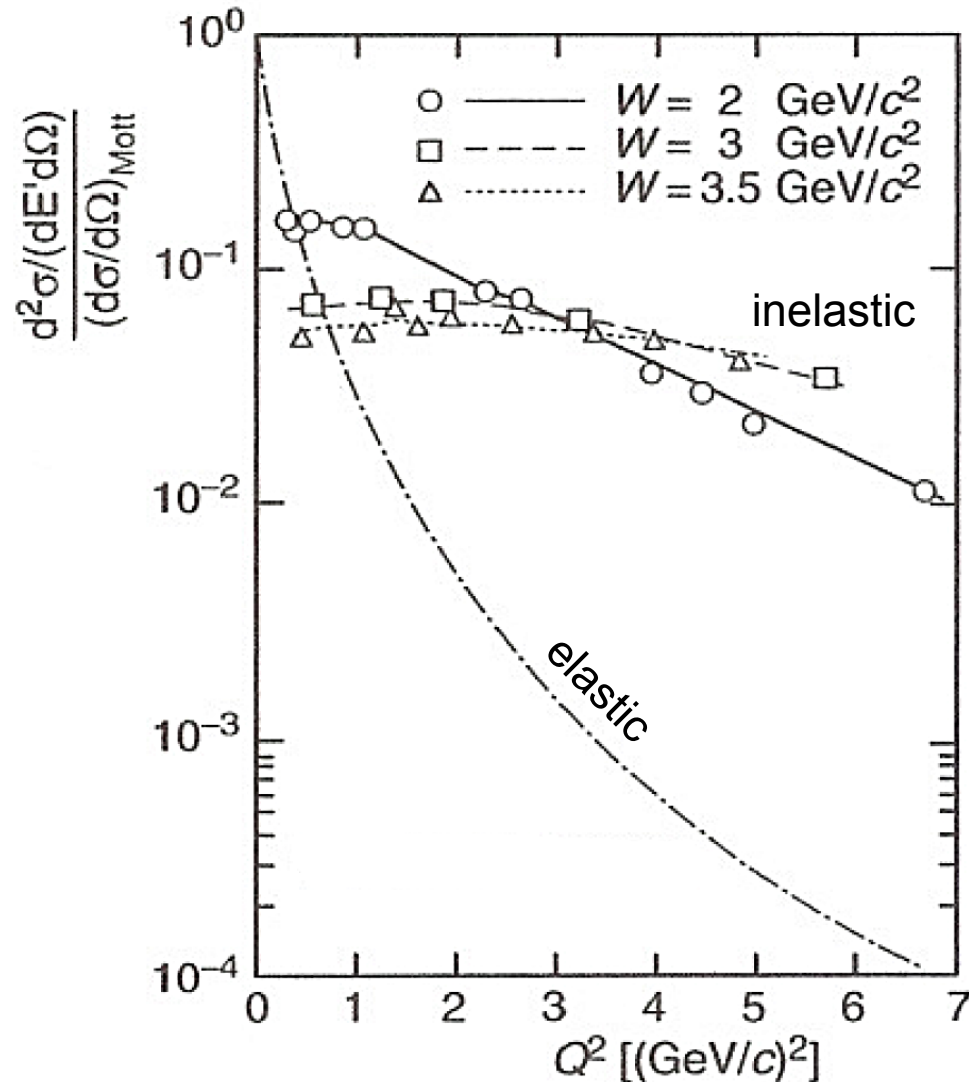
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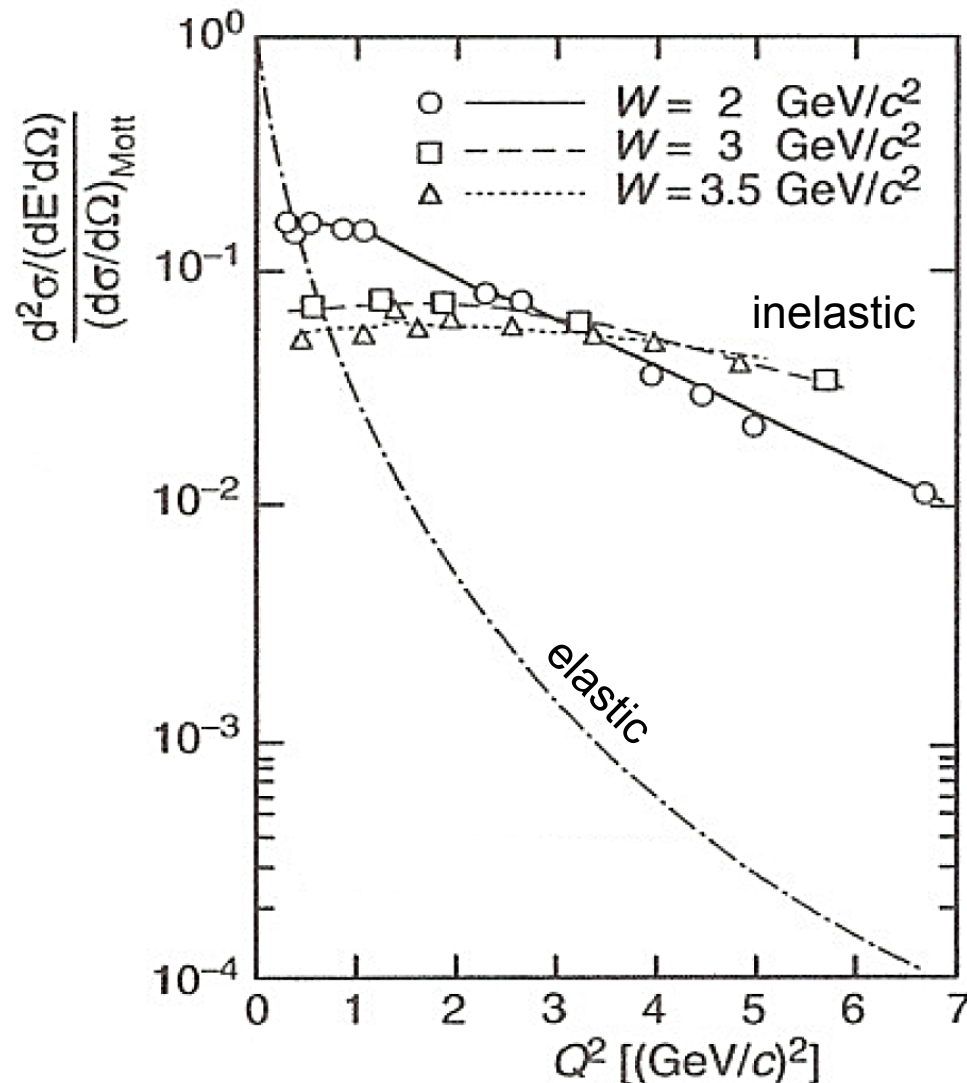
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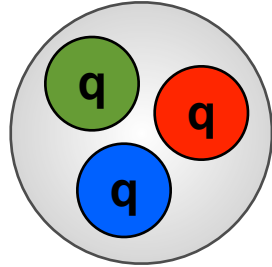
Constant $F(q^2)$:
⇒ scattering on point-like constituent of the nucleon
quarks

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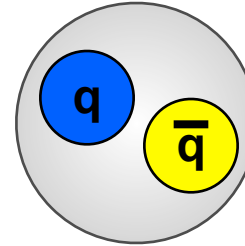
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Baryons:



Mesons:



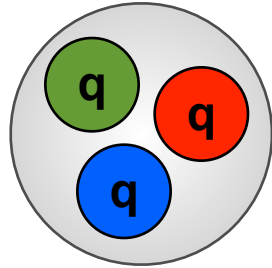
Property \ Quark	<i>d</i>	<i>u</i>	<i>s</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>t</i>
Q – electric charge	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$+\frac{2}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$+\frac{2}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$+\frac{2}{3}$
I – isospin	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	0	0
I_z – isospin <i>z</i> -component	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$+\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	0	0
S – strangeness	0	0	-1	0	0	0
C – charm	0	0	0	+1	0	0
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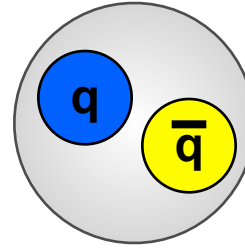
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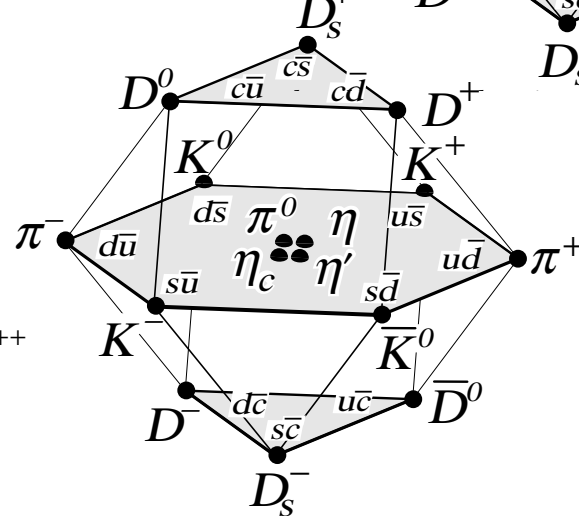
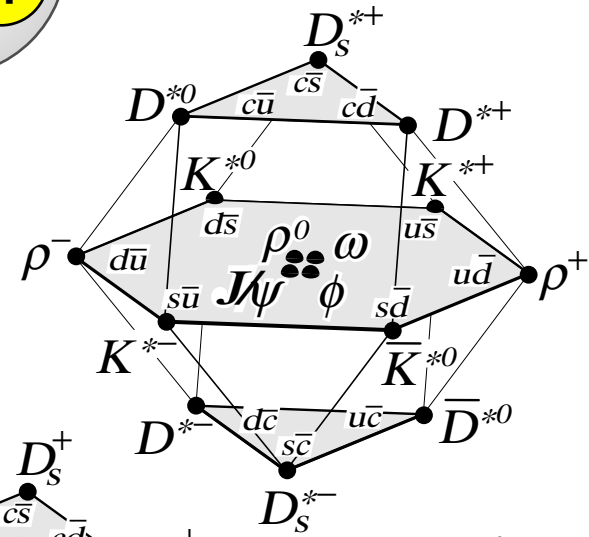
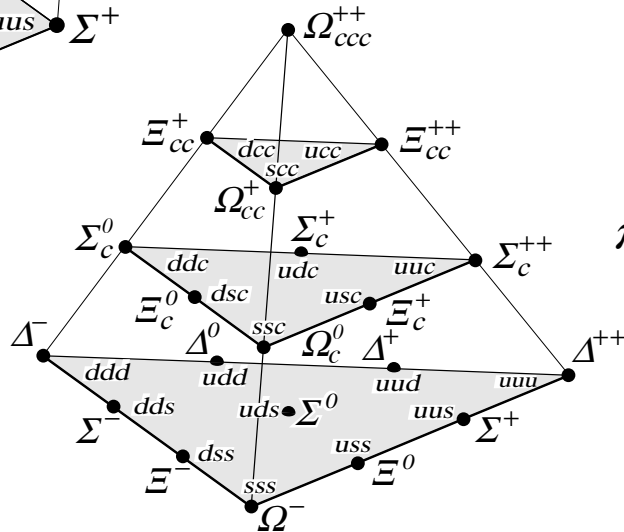
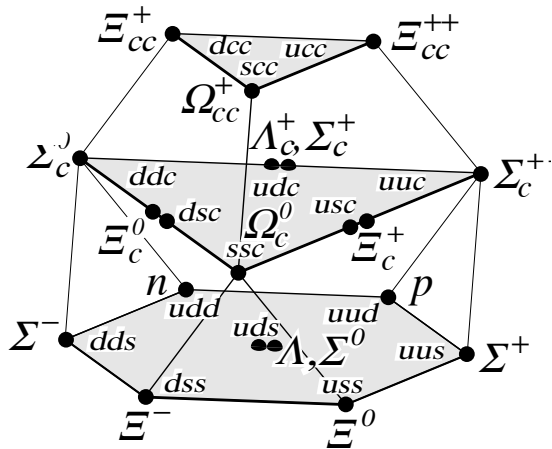


Mesons:



Eight-fold Way:

Account for every
hadron we found so far

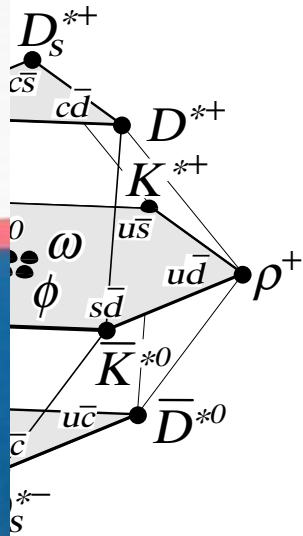
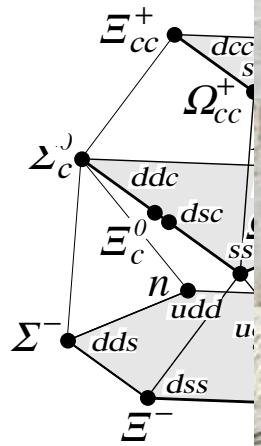


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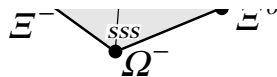
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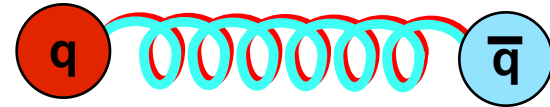
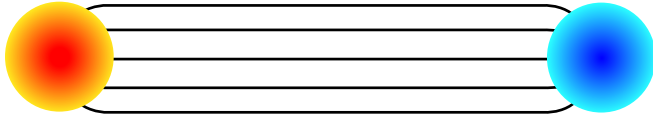
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Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)

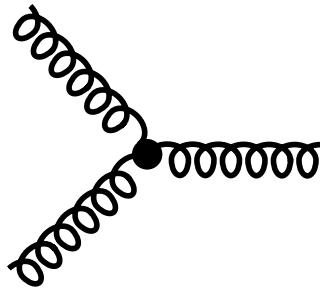
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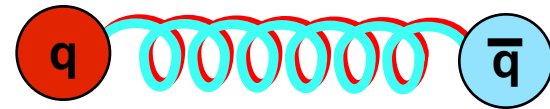
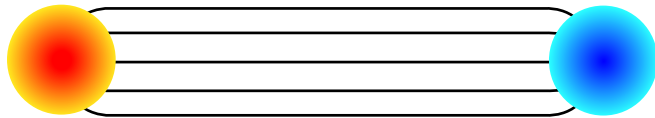
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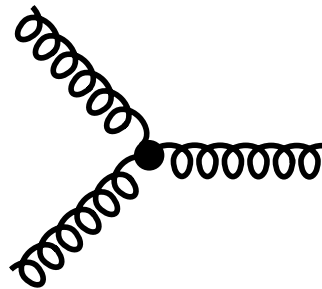
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- Rich in symmetries

$$SU(3)_c \times SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R \times U(1)_A \times U(1)_B$$

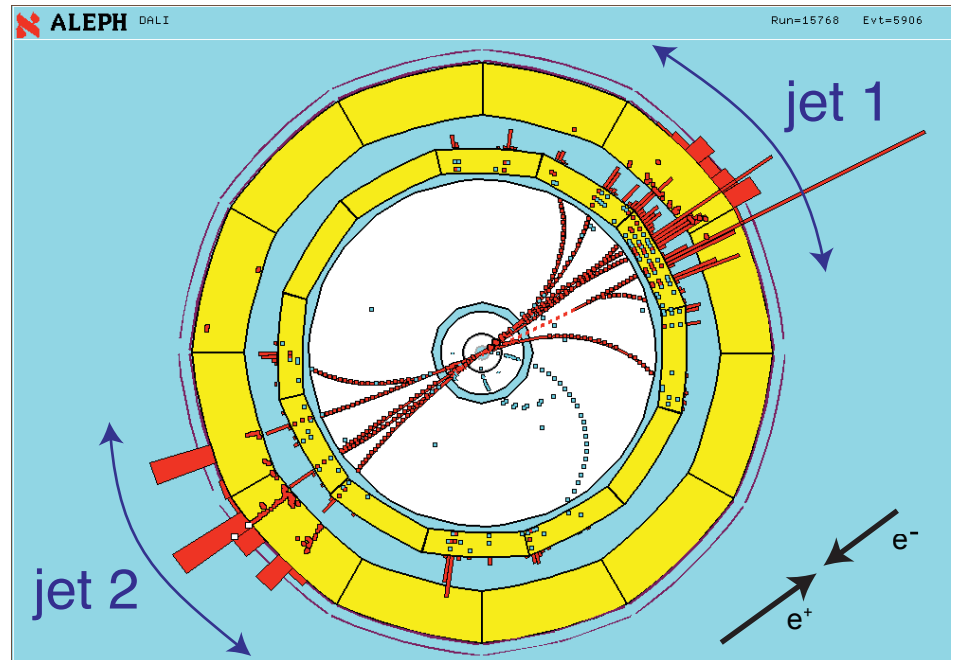
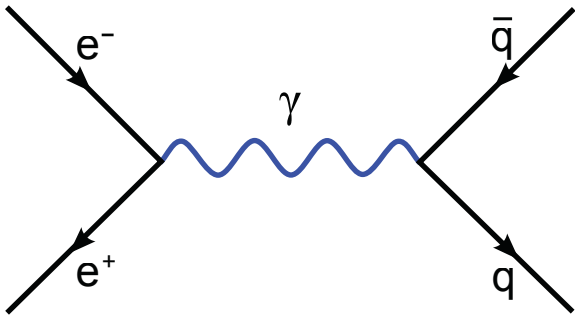
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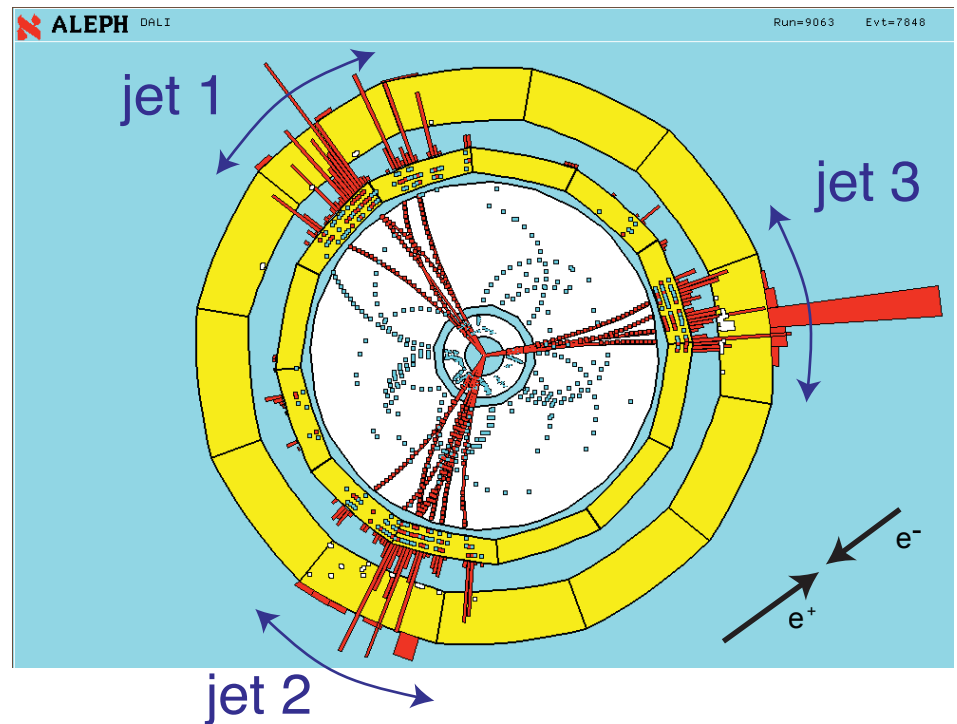
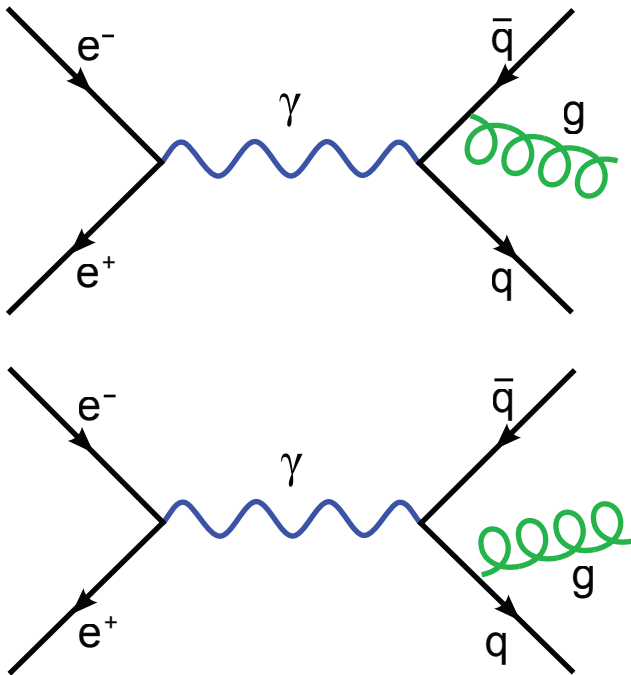
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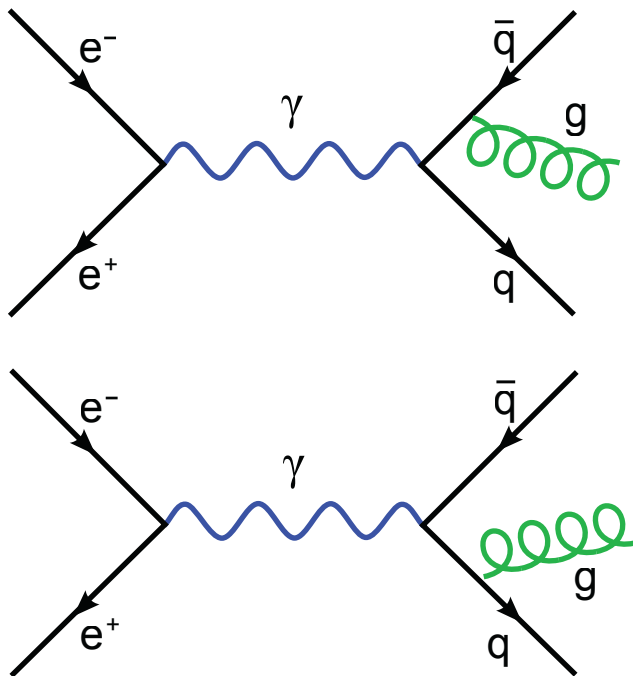
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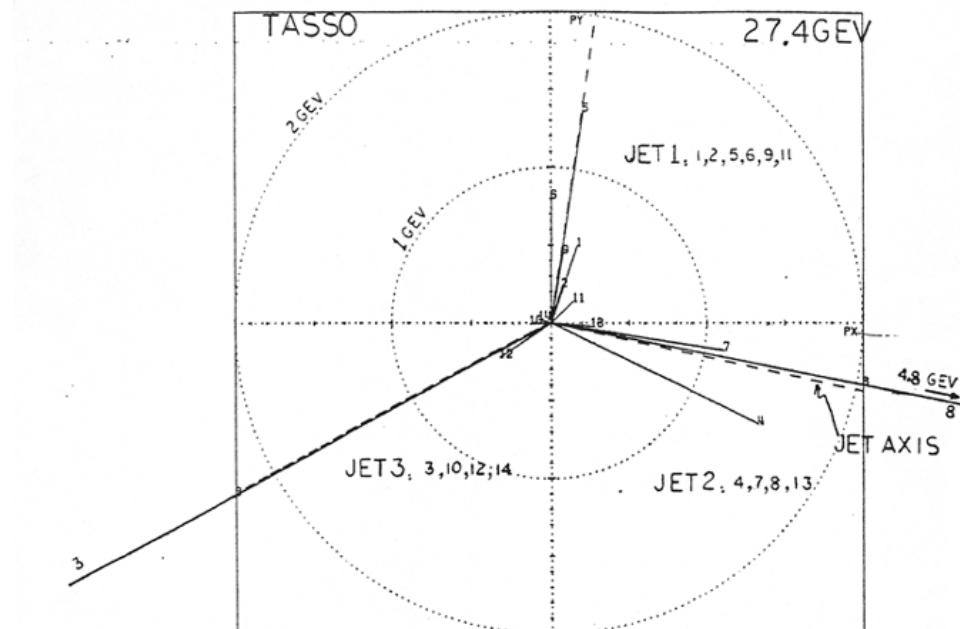
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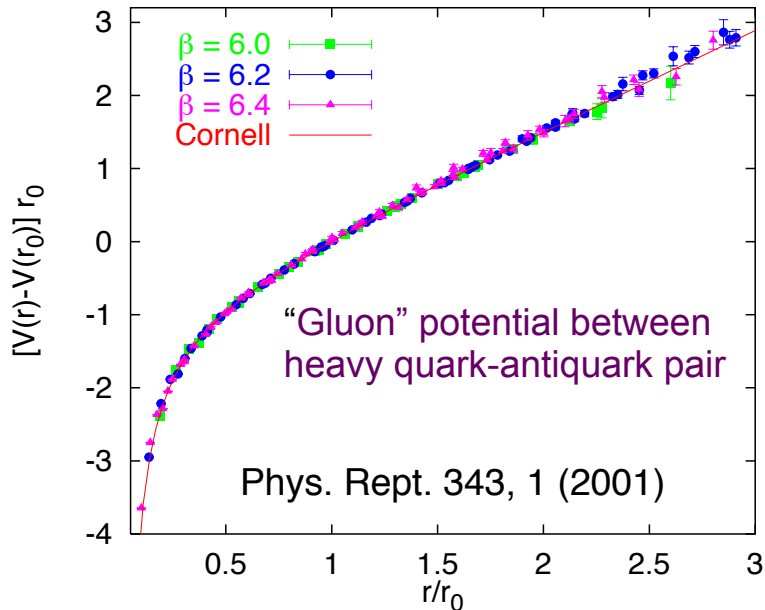
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The Role of Gluons

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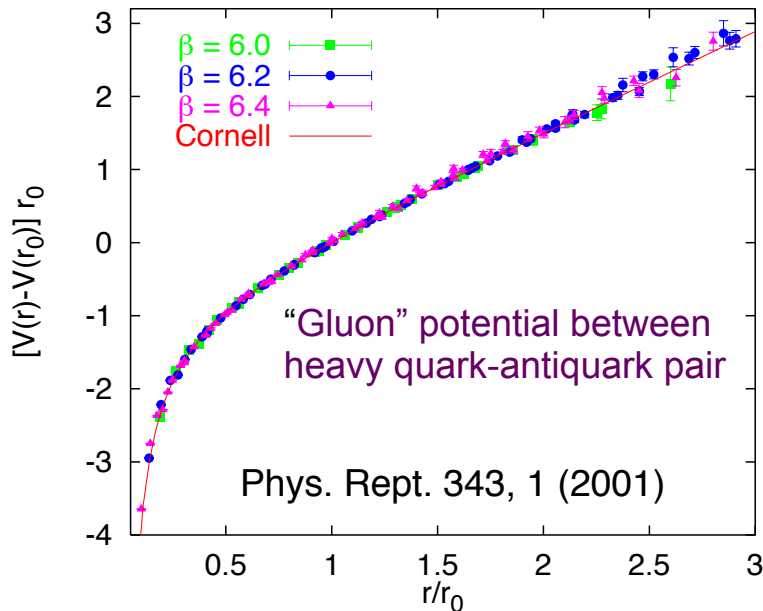
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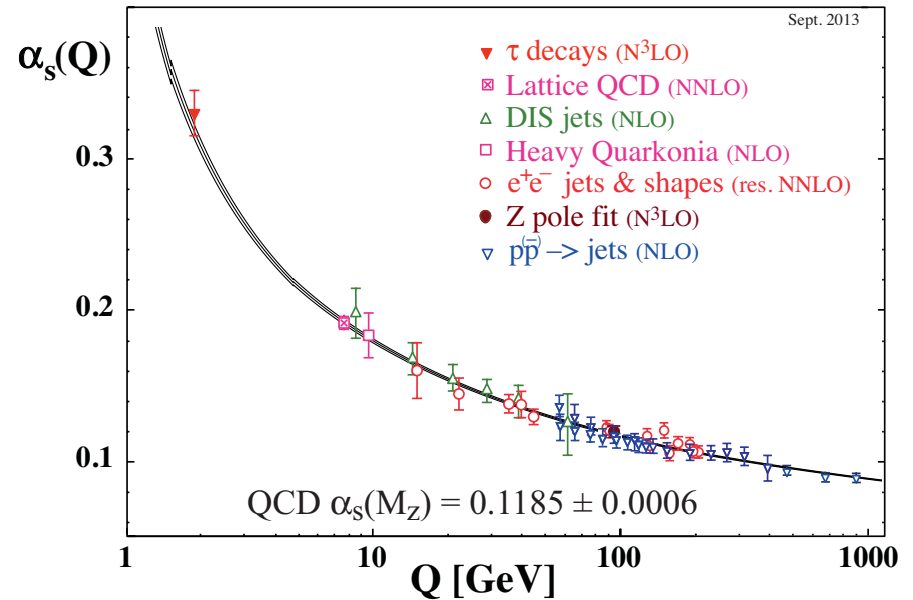


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Asymptotic freedom:



The self-interaction of gluons is fundamentally responsible for the asymptotic freedom of quarks and gluons in QCD



2004, Gross, Politzer, Wilczek

The Essential Mystery

There is an elegance and simplicity to nature's strongest force we do not understand

- (Nearly) all visible matter is made up of quarks and gluons
- But quarks and gluons are not visible
- All strongly interacting matter is an *emergent* consequence of many-body quark-gluon dynamics.

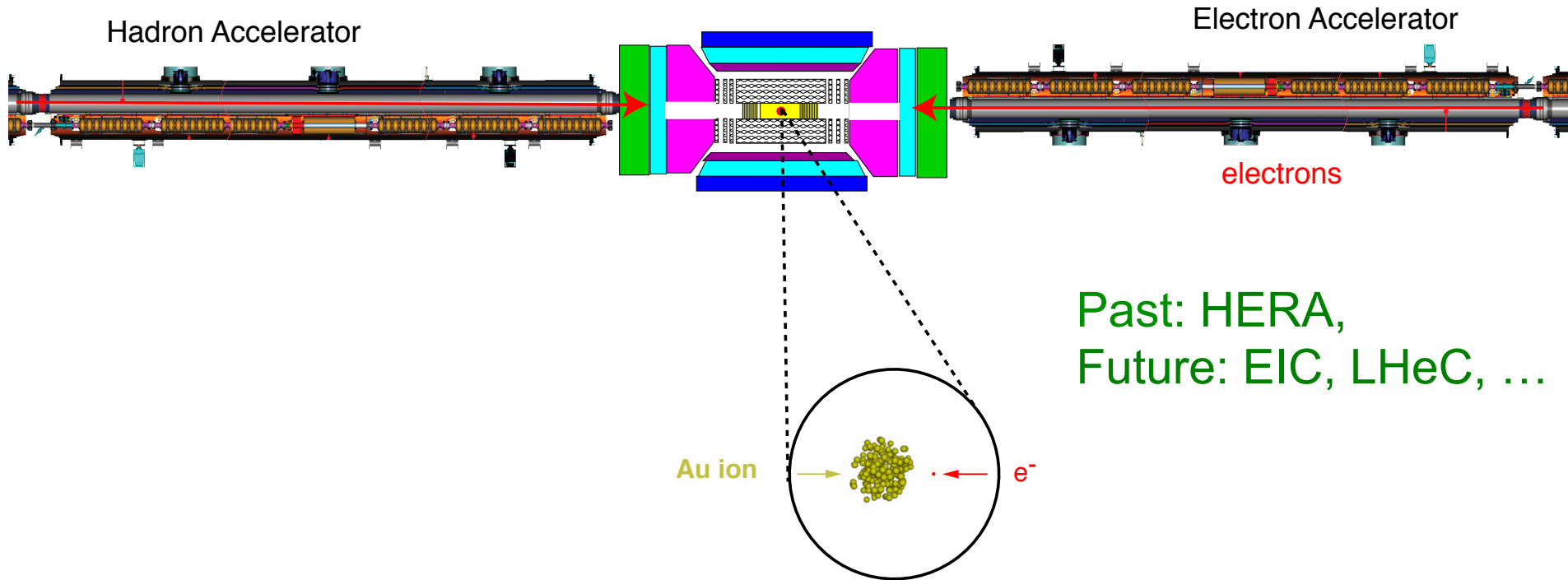
Understanding the origins of matter demands we develop a deep and varied knowledge of this emergent dynamics

Studying Matter at the Smallest Scales

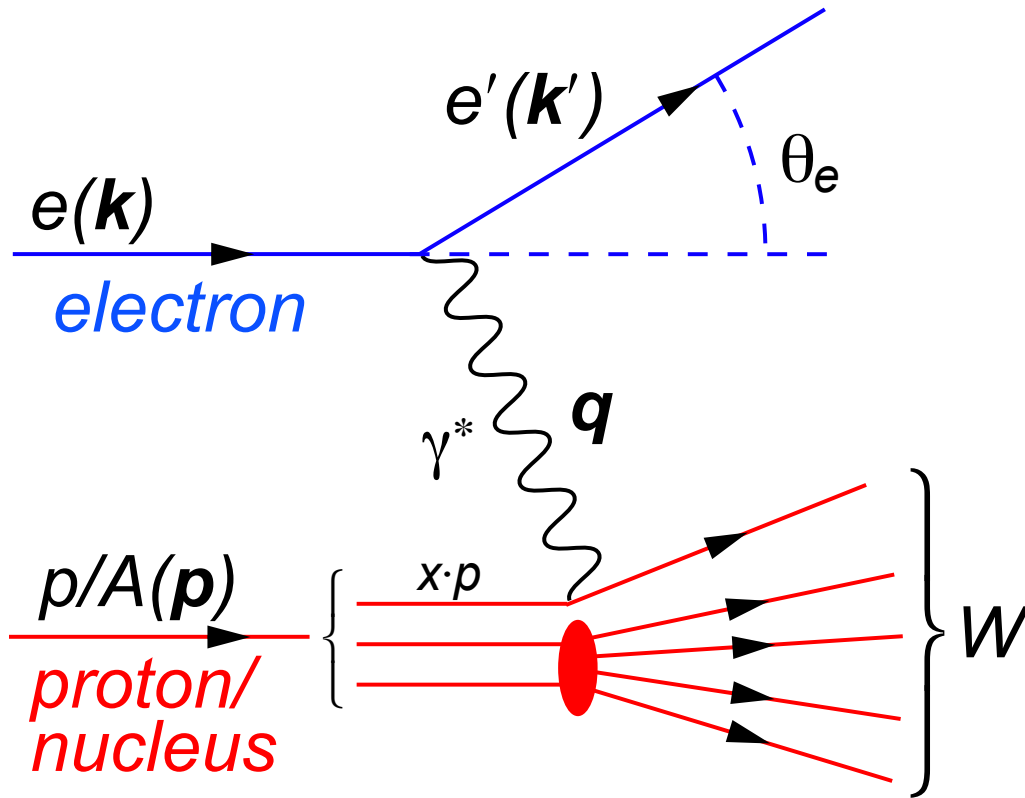
Collider Experiments

Wave Length: 0.0001 fm (10 GeV + 100 GeV)

Resolution: ~ 0.01 - 0.001 fm



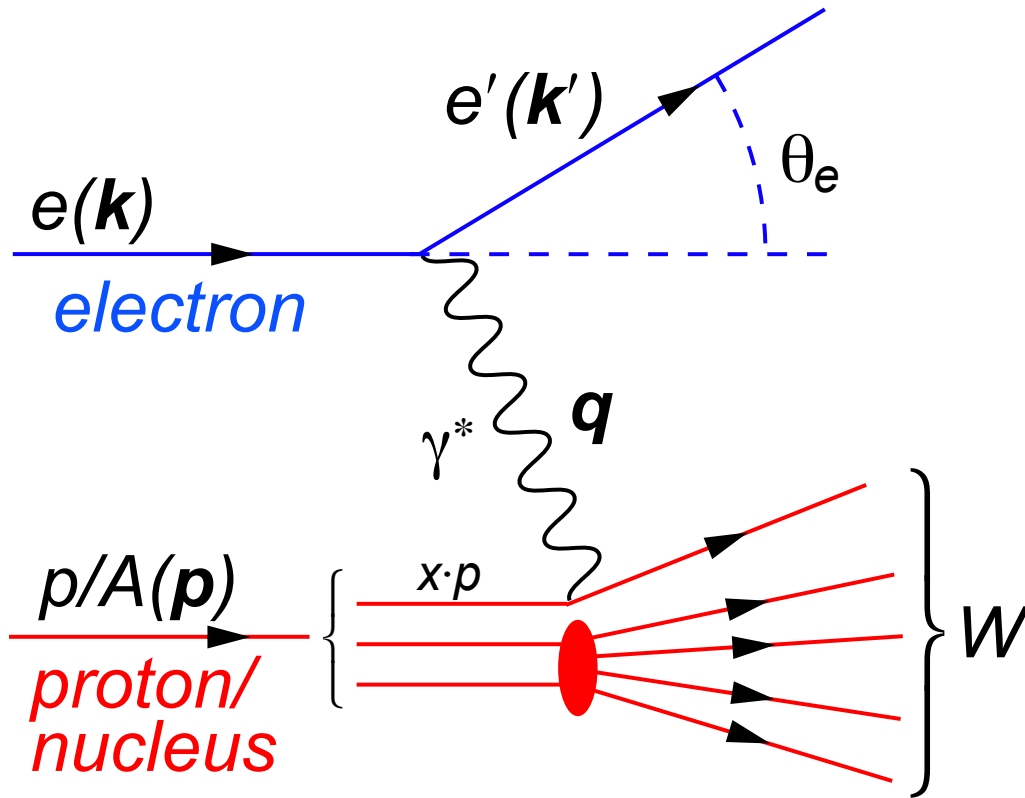
Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS)



DIS:

- As a probe, electron beams provide unmatched precision of the electromagnetic interaction
- Direct, model independent, determination of kinematics of physics processes

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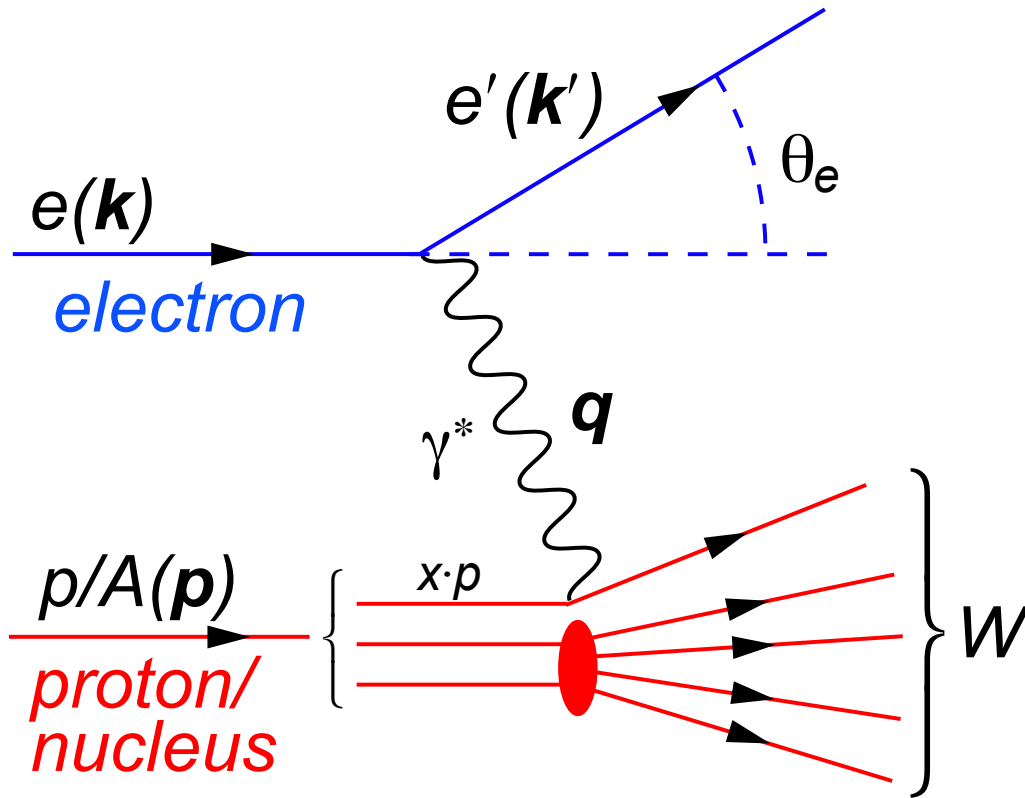
S:

- square of center-of-mass energy of electron-hadron system

$$\sqrt{s} \simeq 2\sqrt{E_e E_p}$$

s: center-of-mass energy squared

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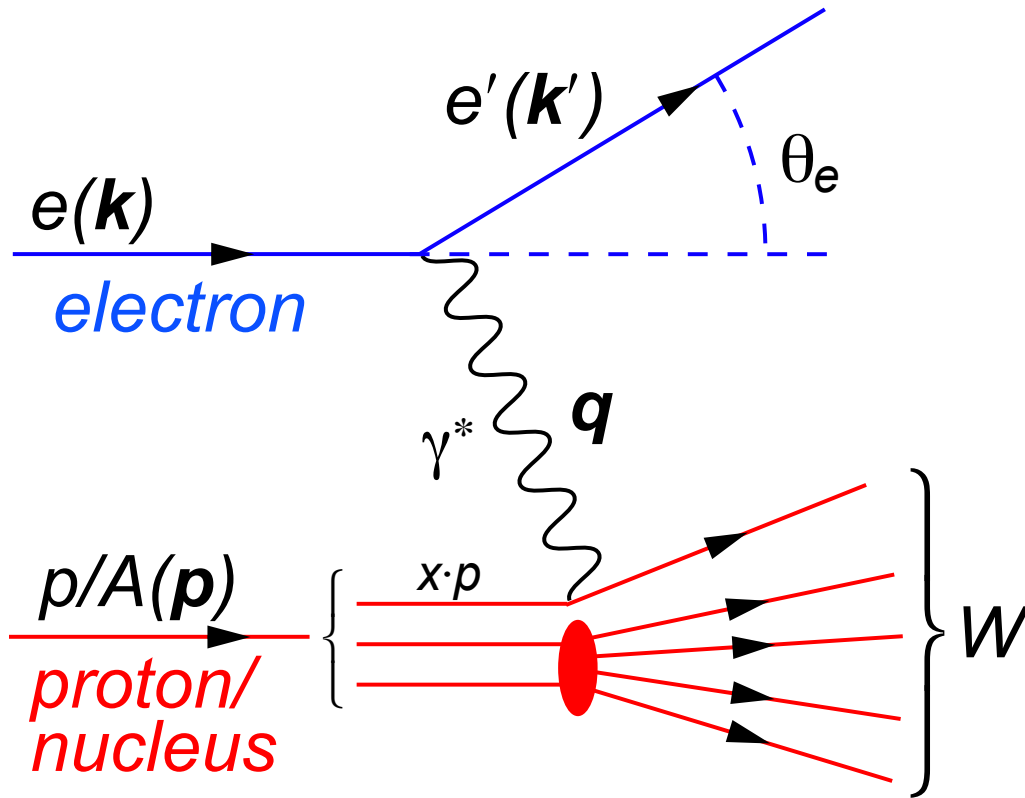
Q^2 :

- squared momentum transfer from scattered electron
- Virtuality
- “Resolution” power

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x:

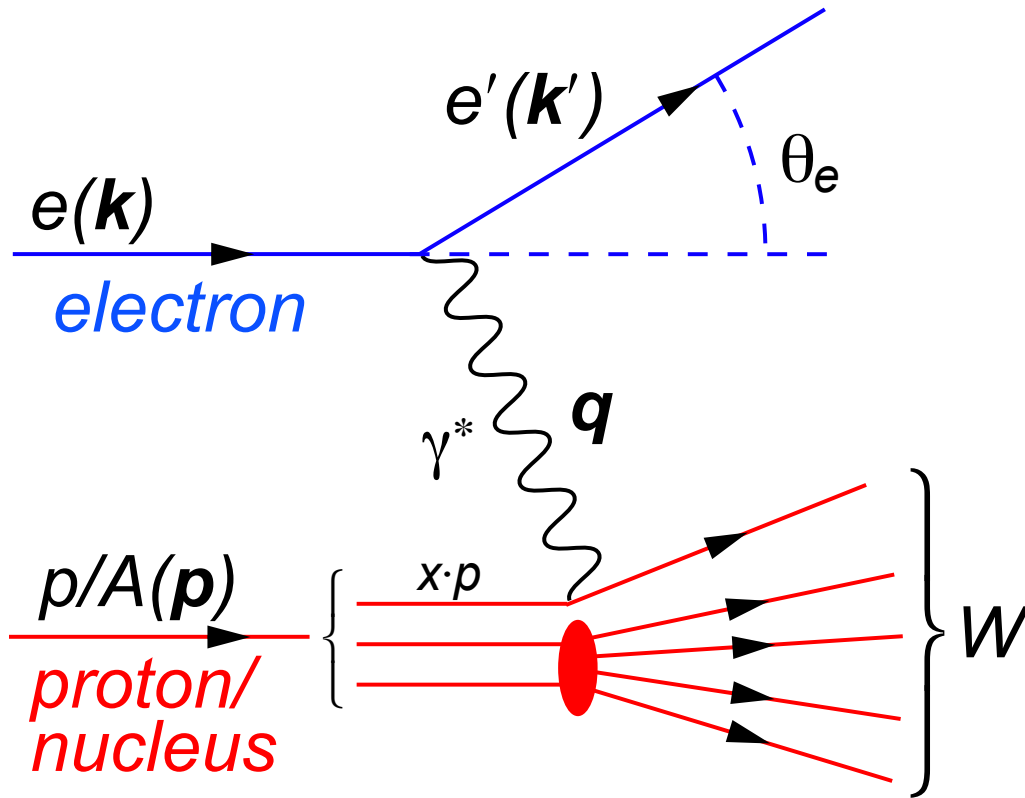
- Bjorken-x
- x is fraction of the nucleon's momentum carried by the struck quark
- $0 < x < 1$

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y:

- Inelasticity
- Fraction of electron's energy lost in nucleon restframe
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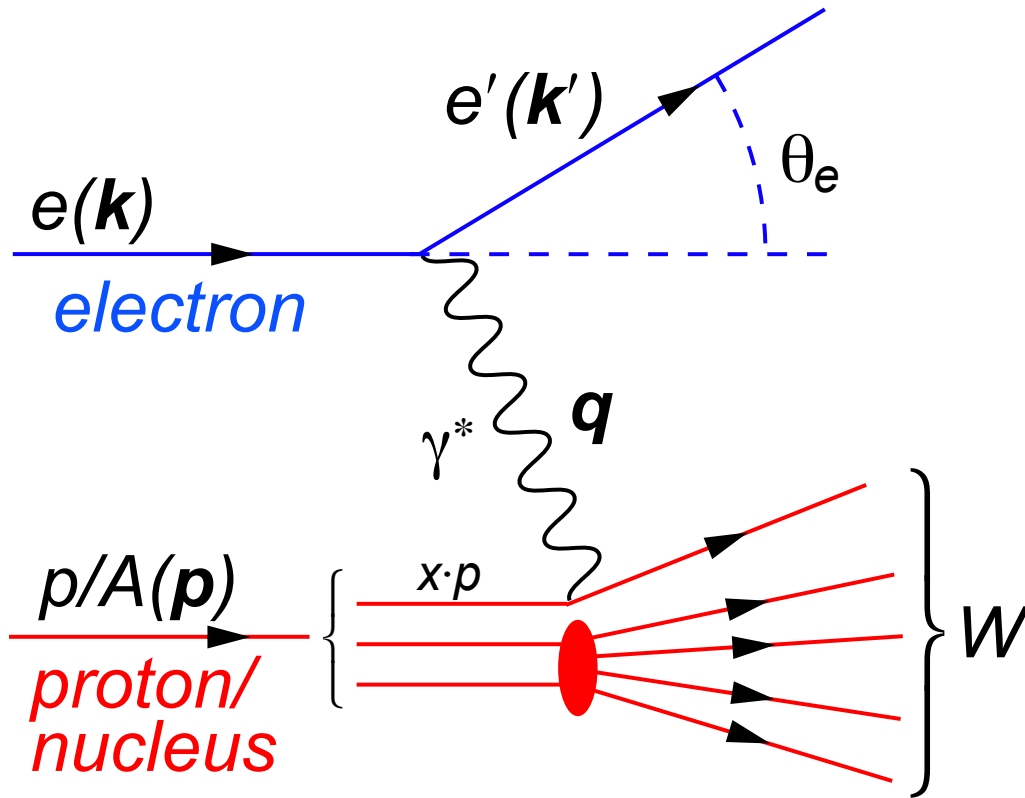
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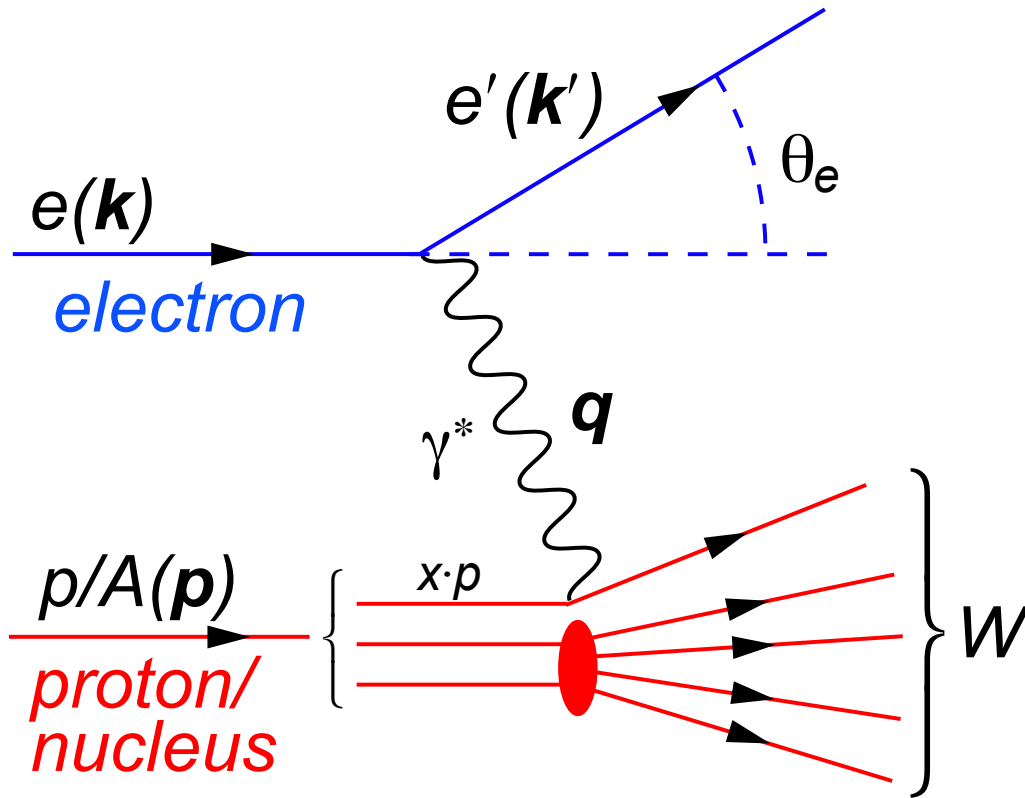
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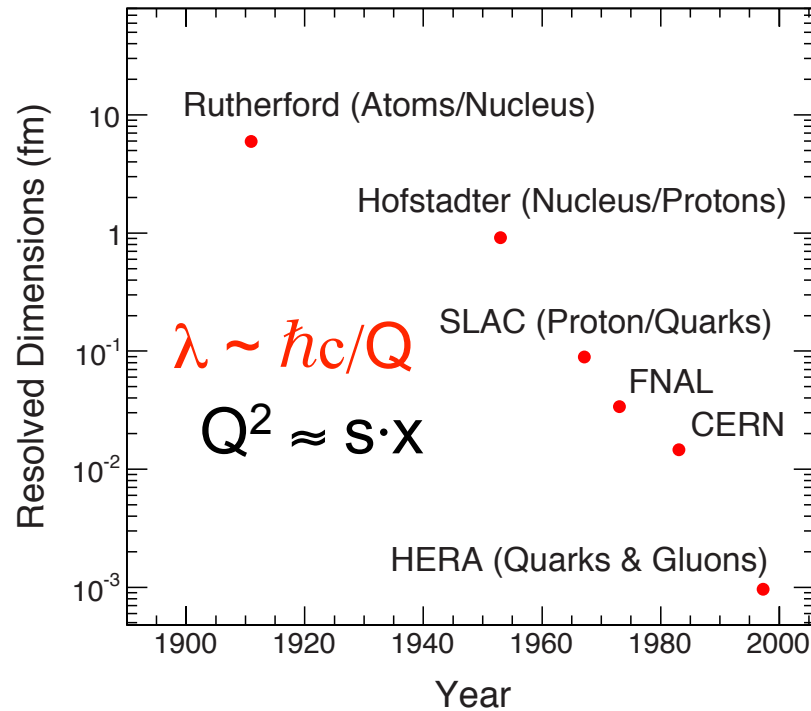
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quark+anti-quark
momentum distributions

gluon momentum
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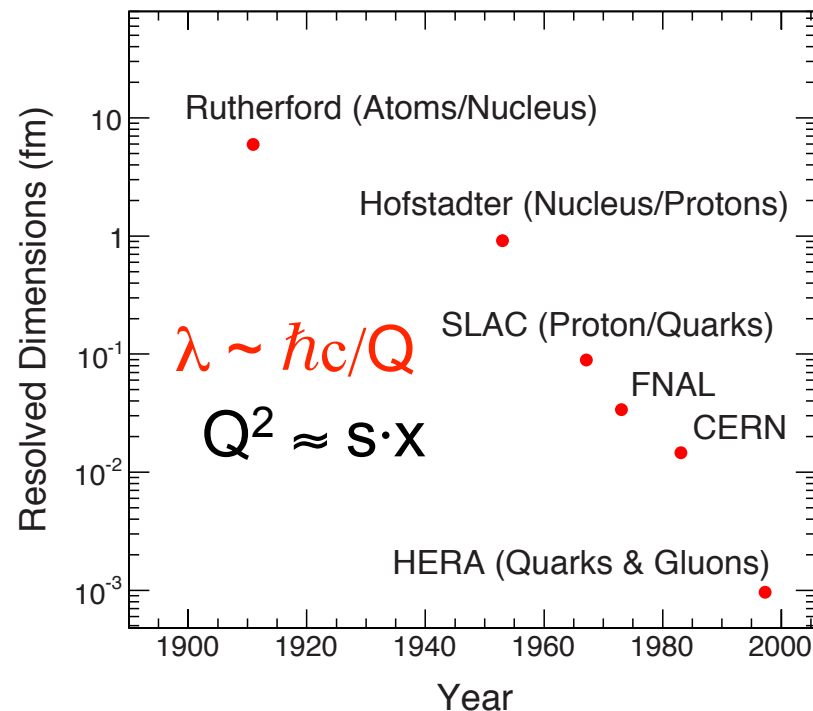
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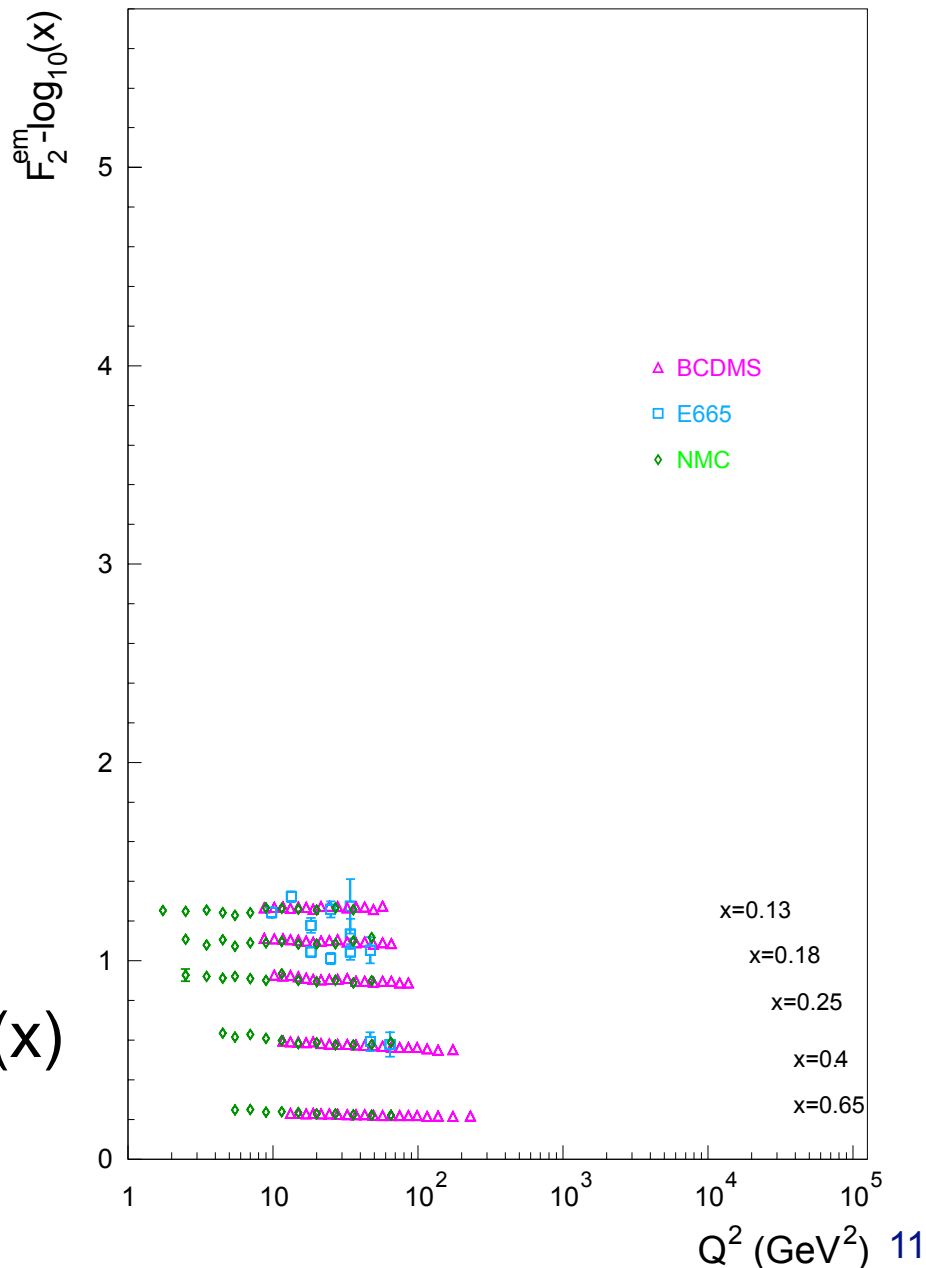


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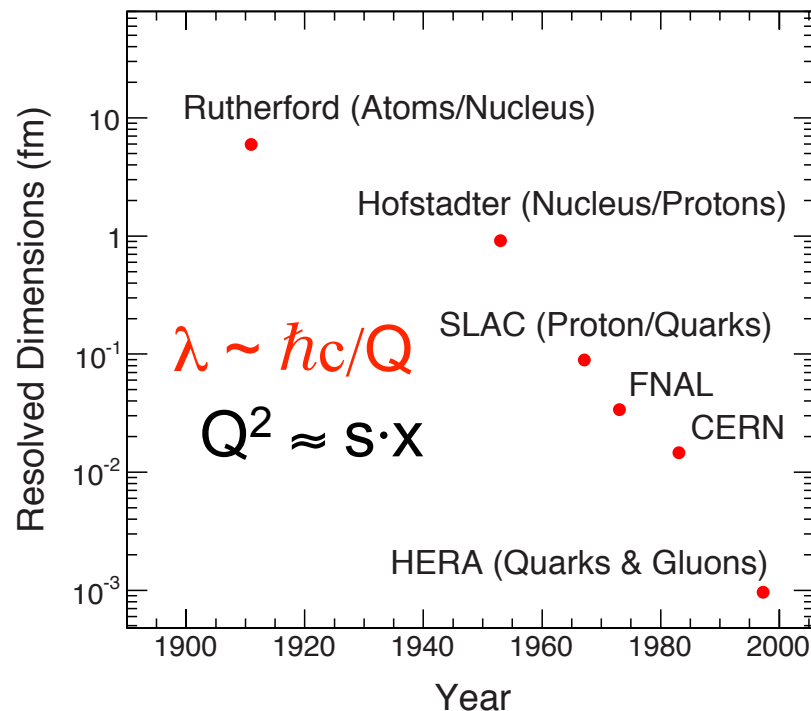


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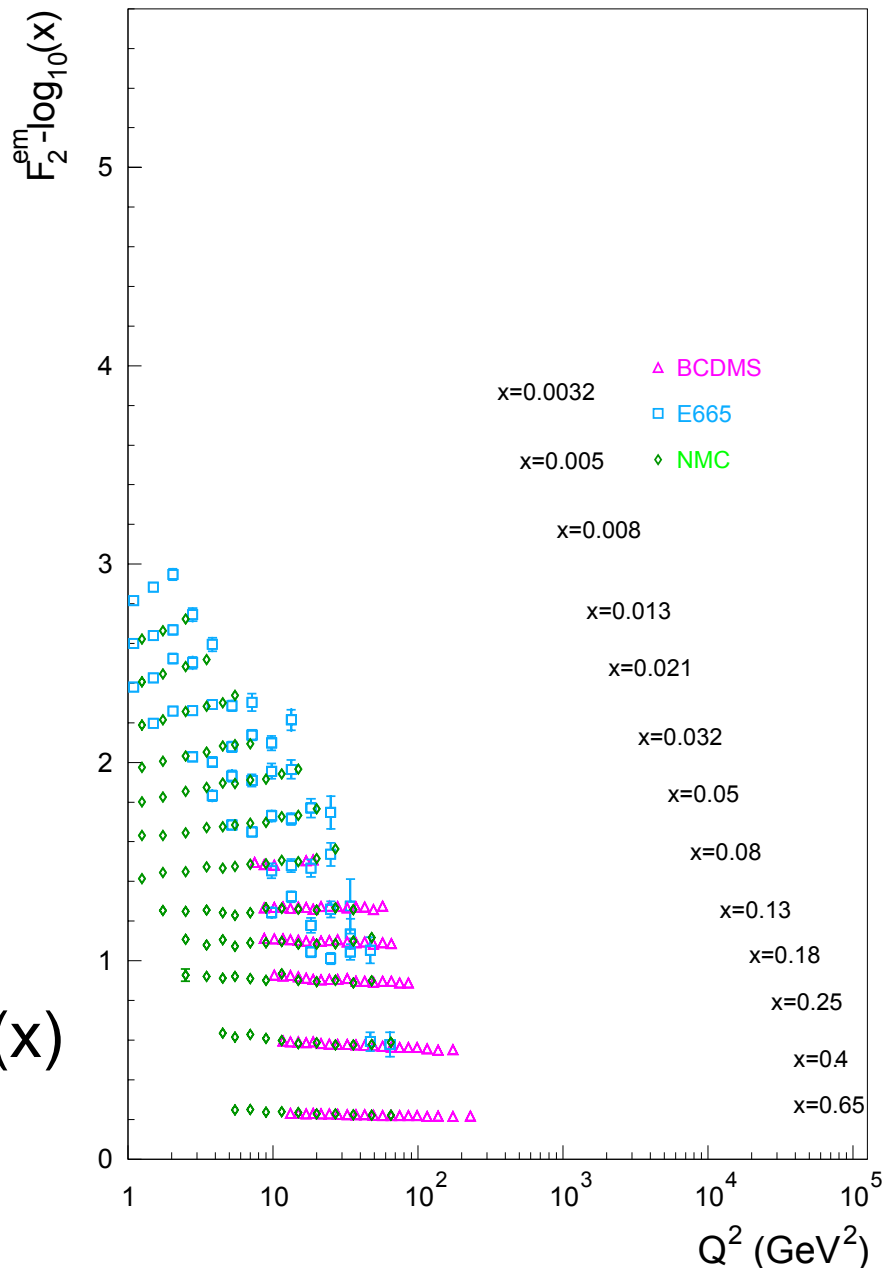


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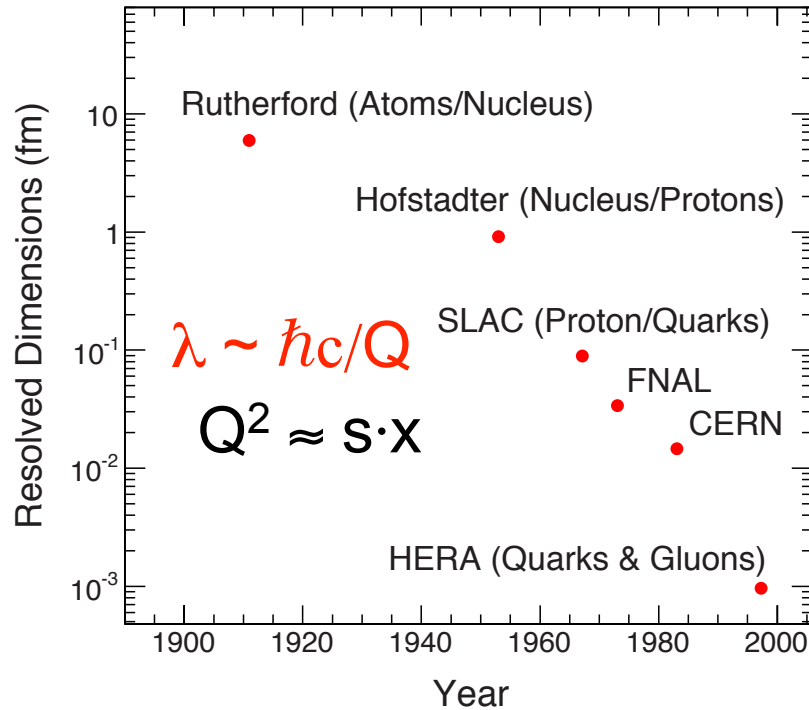


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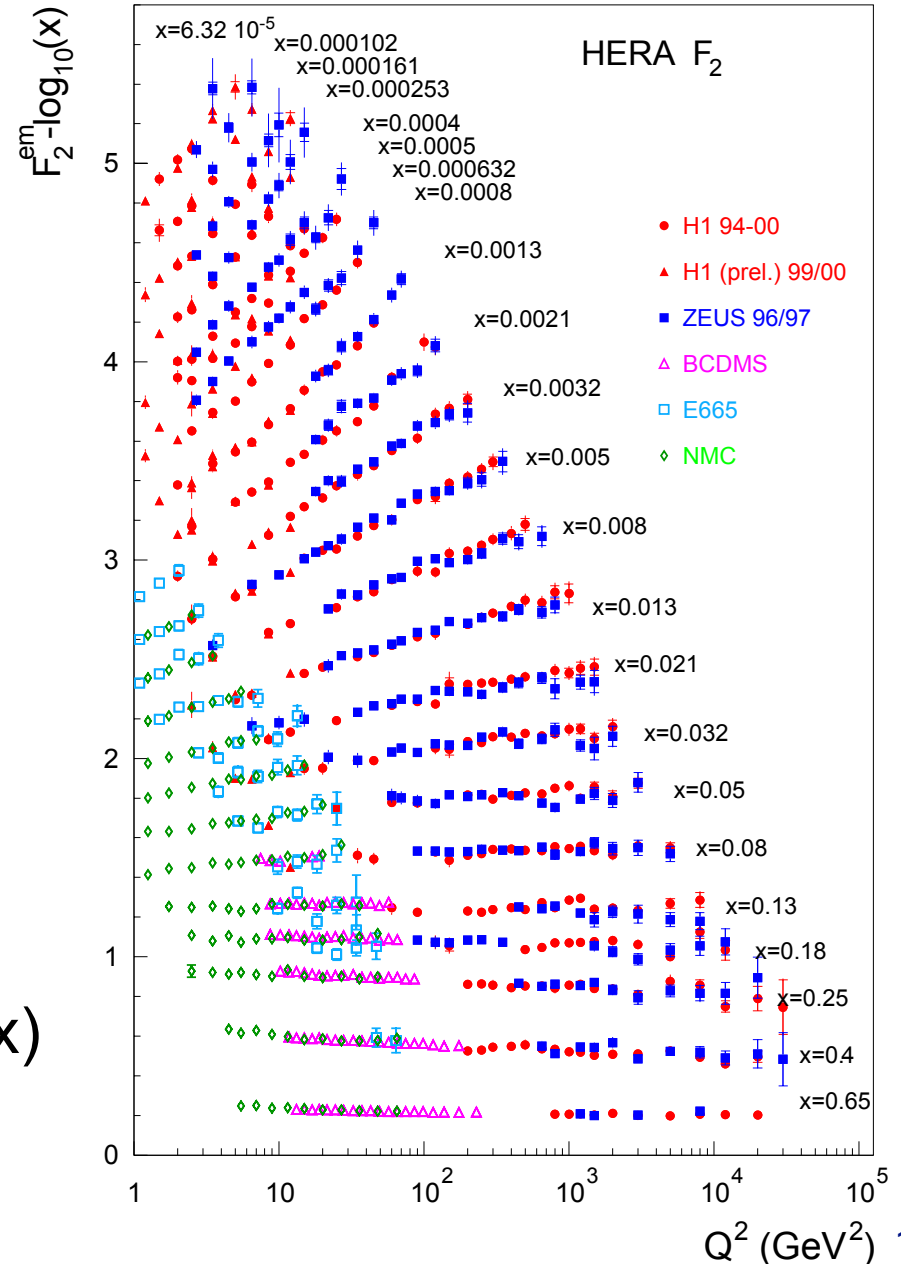


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 Broken - Big Time
 It's the **Glue** !!!



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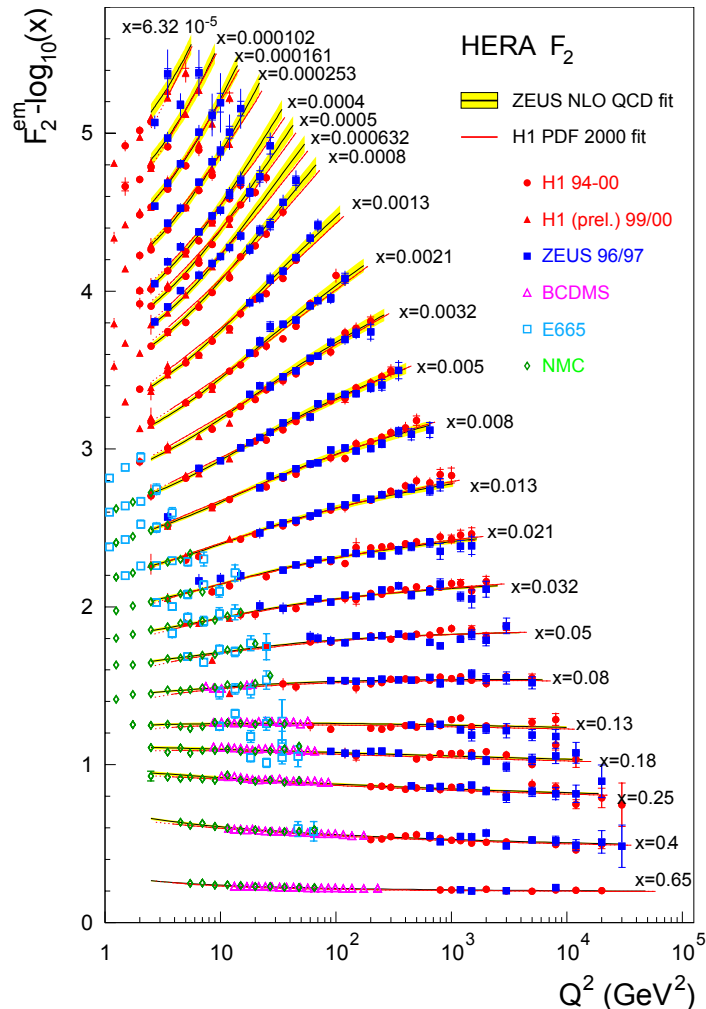
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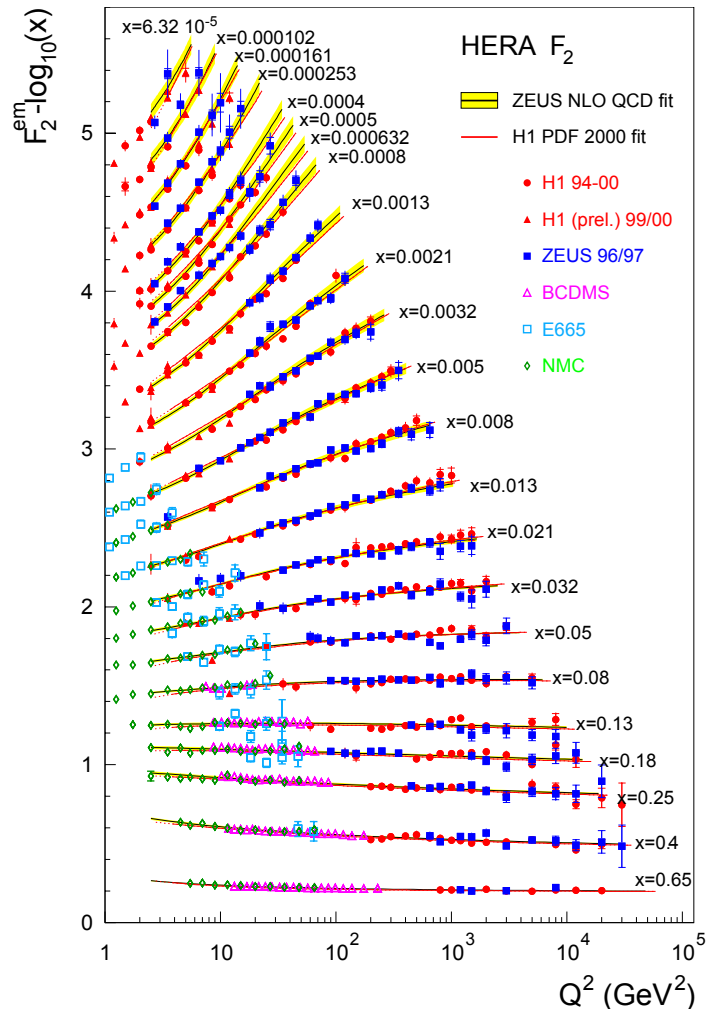
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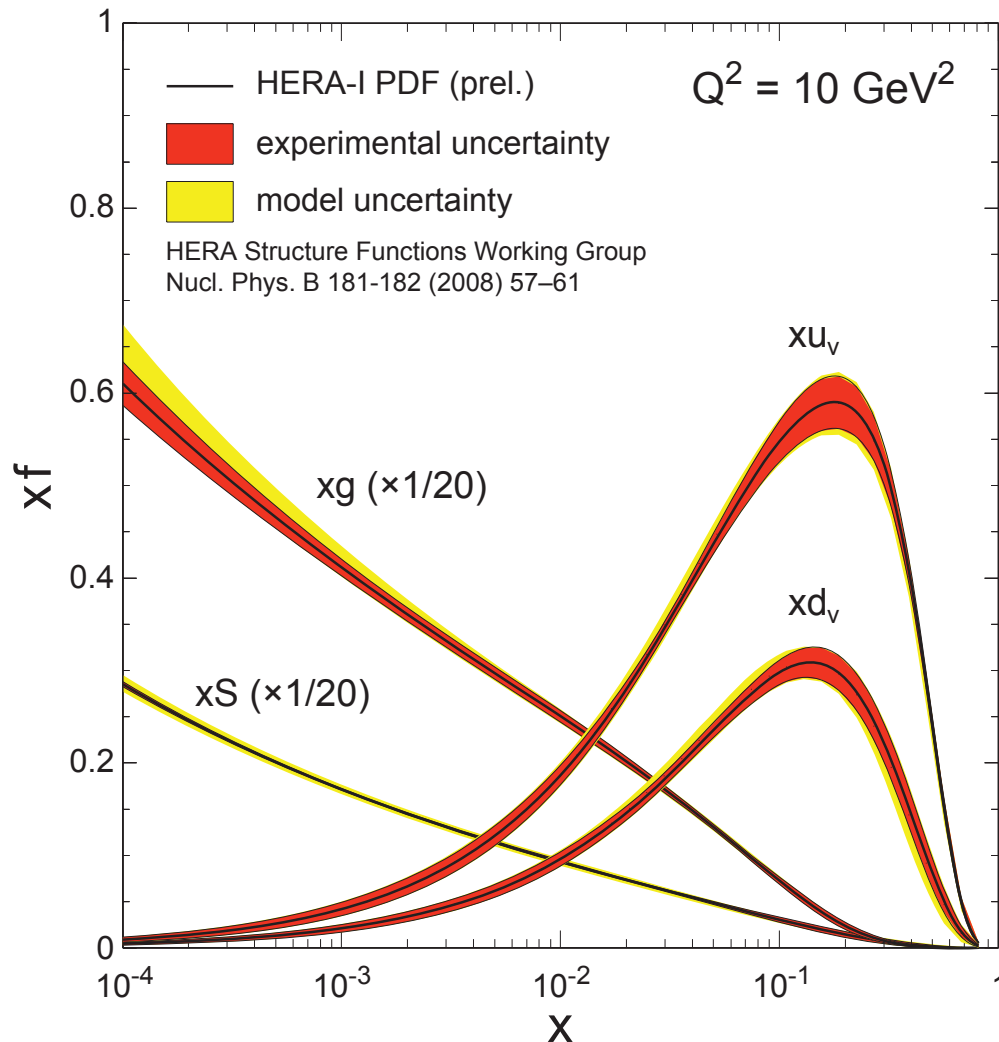


$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} & \bullet F_2 \\ & \bullet dF_2/d\ln Q^2 \end{aligned} + \begin{aligned} & \text{pQCD+} \\ & \text{DGLAP Evolution} \\ & f(x, Q_1^2) \rightarrow f(x, Q_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

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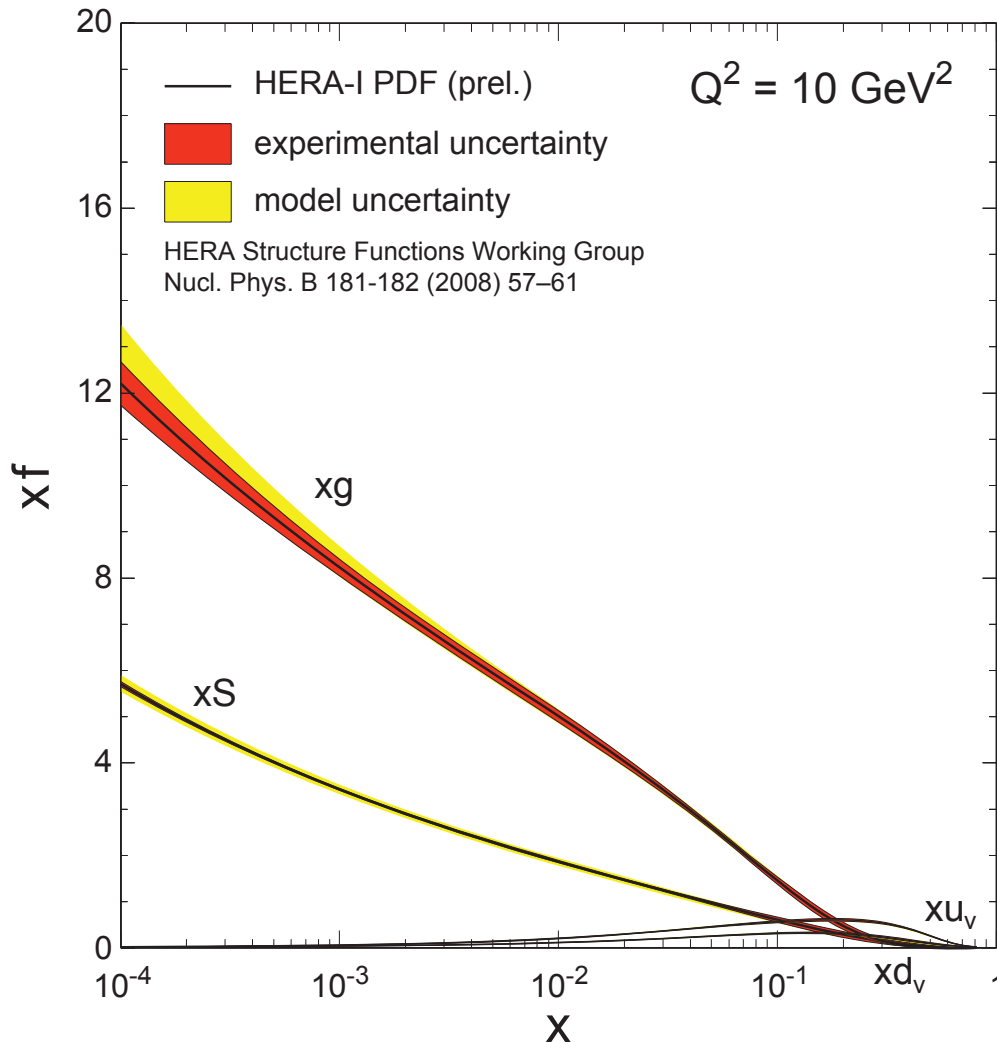
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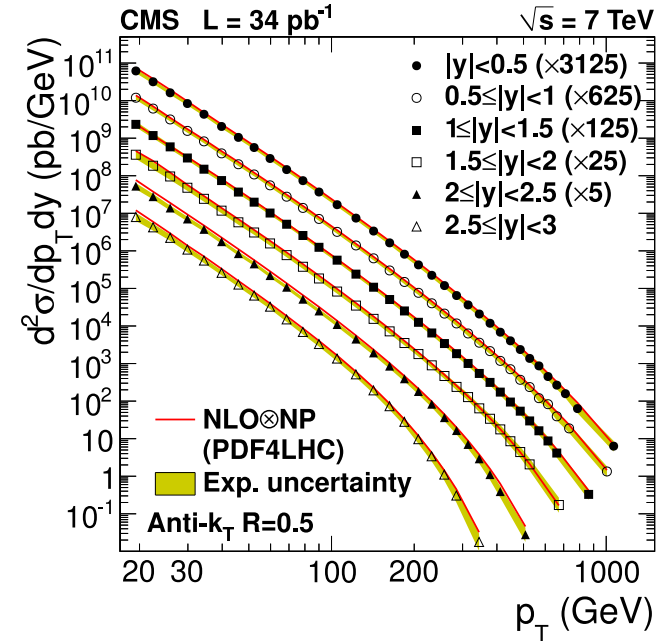
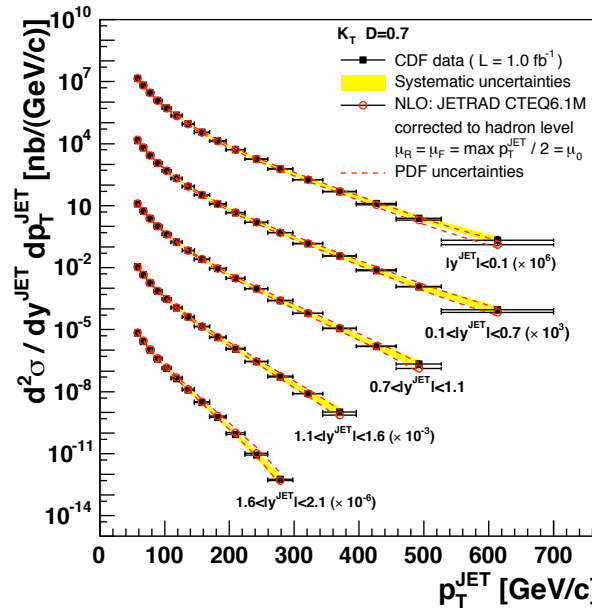
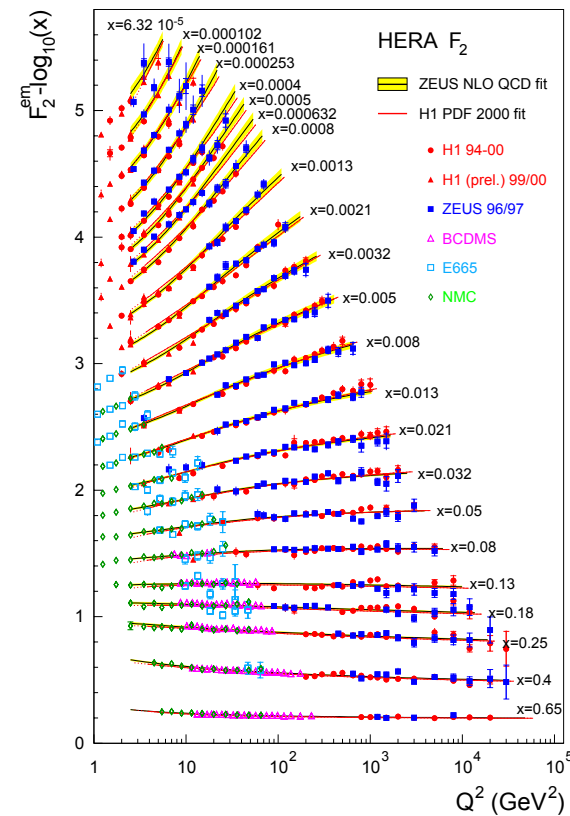


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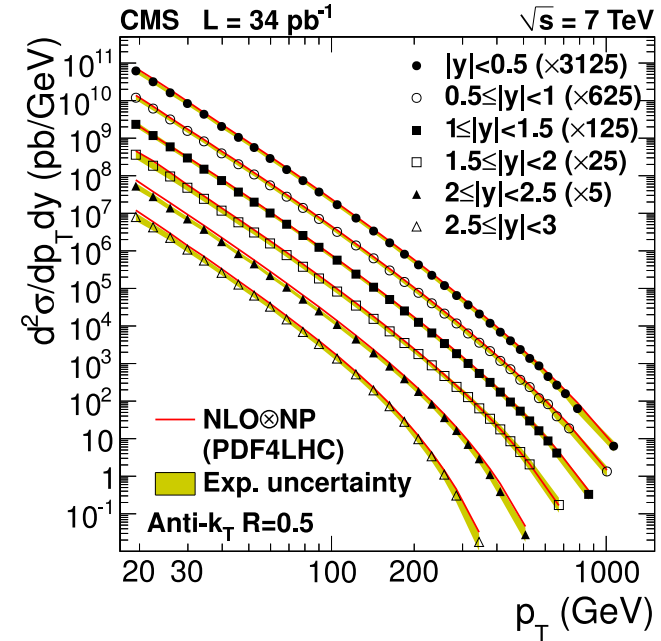
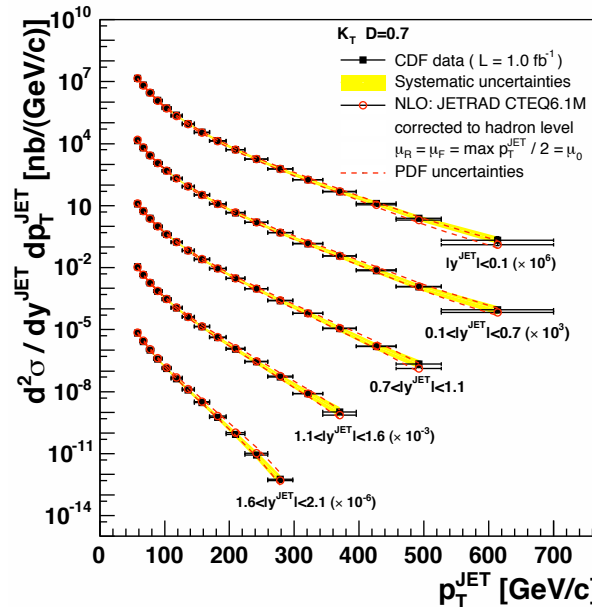
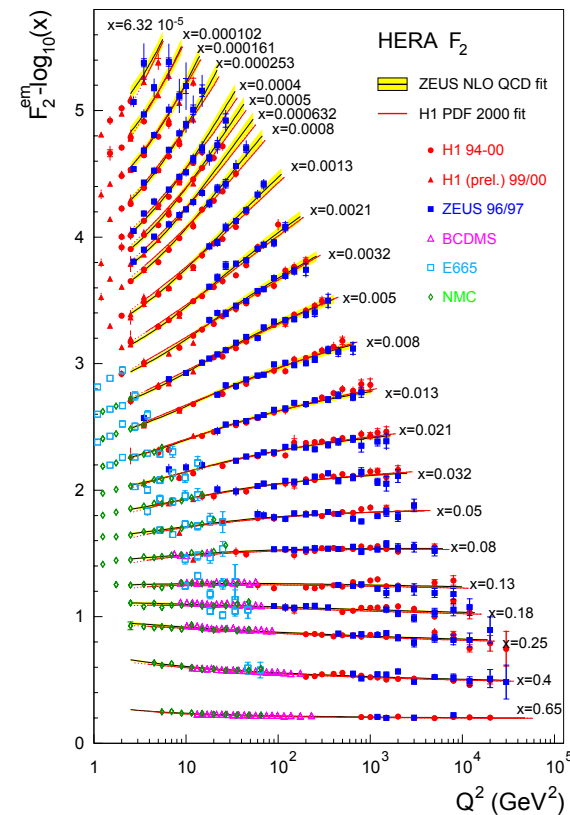


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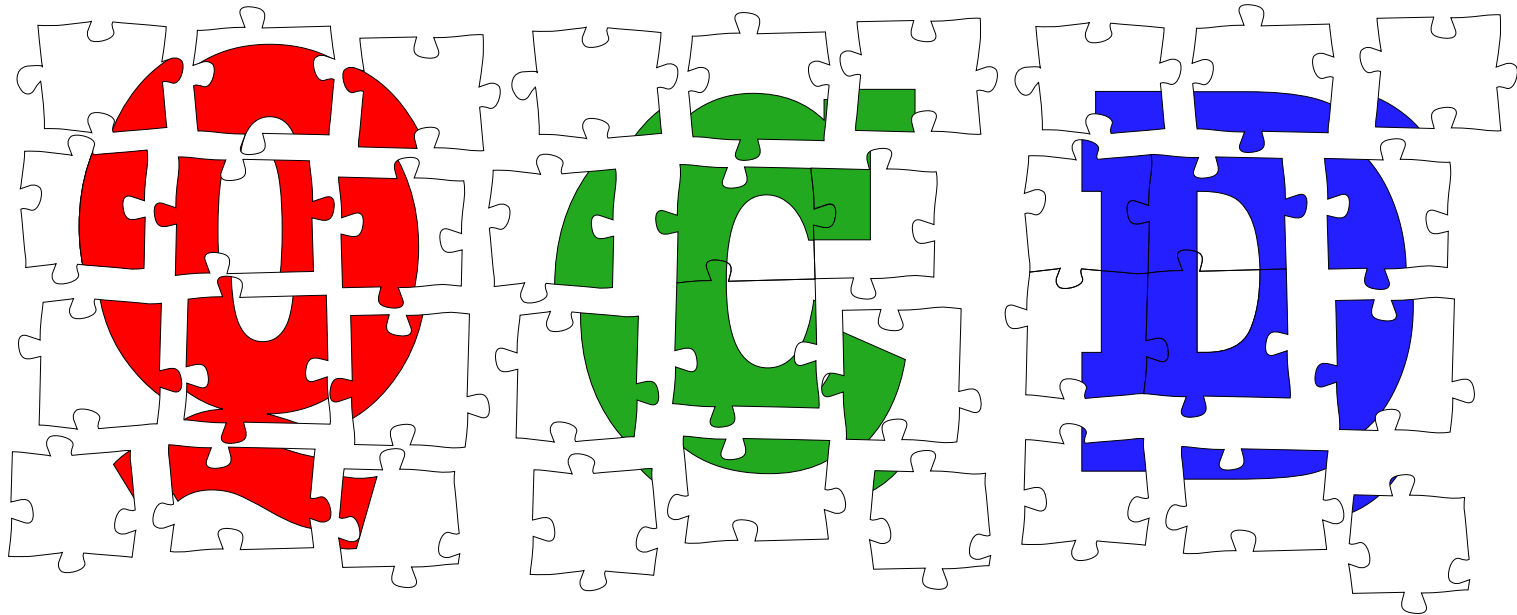
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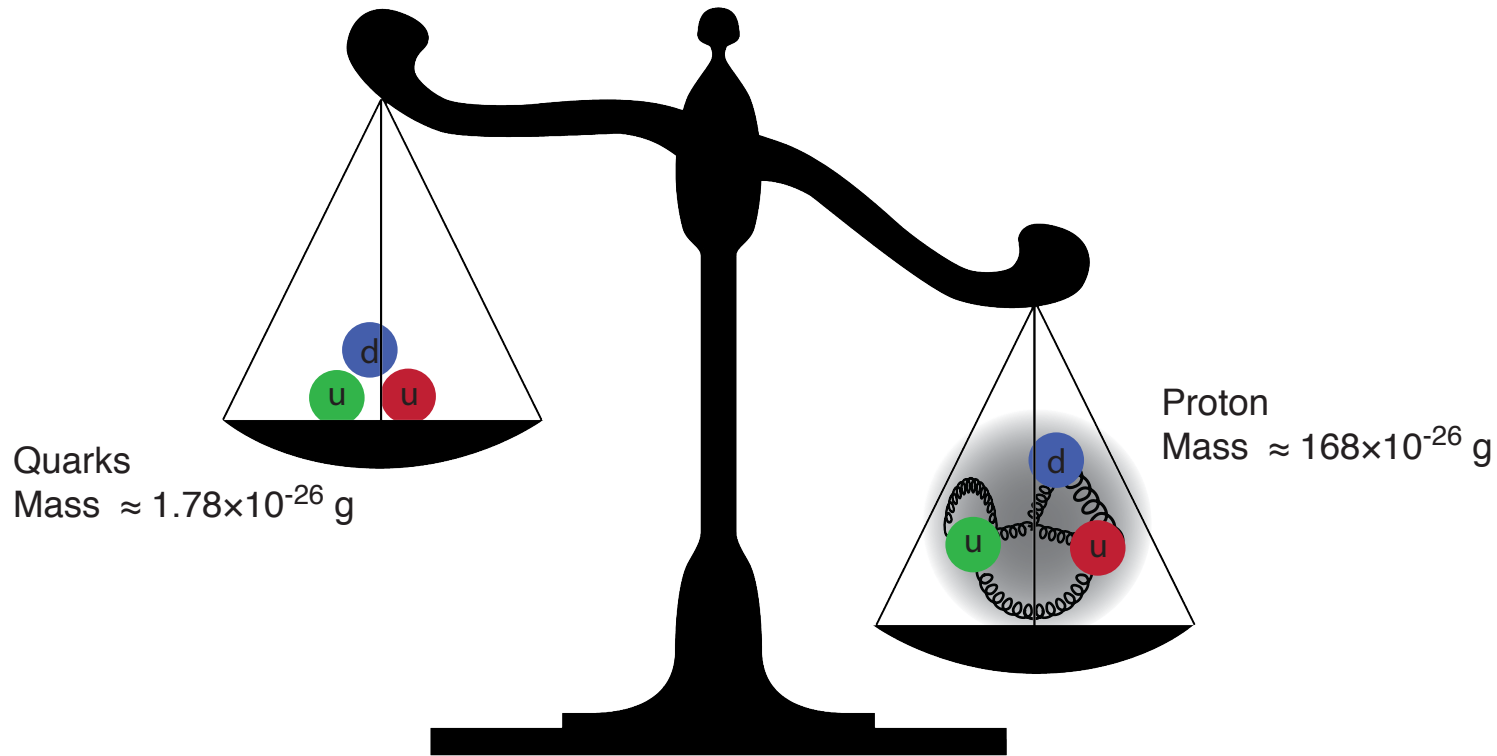
The Frontiers of Our Ignorance



... that motivate an Electron-Ion Collider

The Mass Puzzle

The Higgs is responsible for quark masses
~ 2% of the proton mass.



Gluons are massless...yet their dynamics are responsible for (nearly all) the mass of visible matter. **We do not how?**

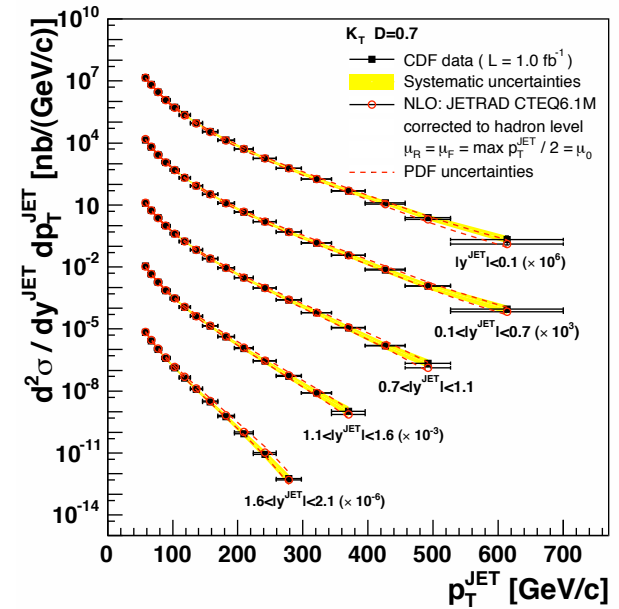
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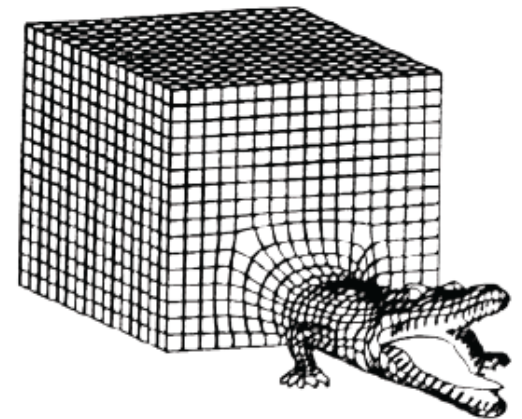
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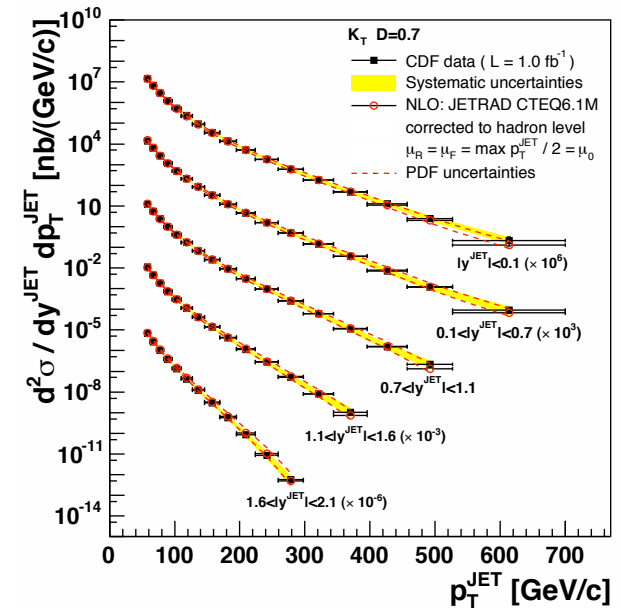
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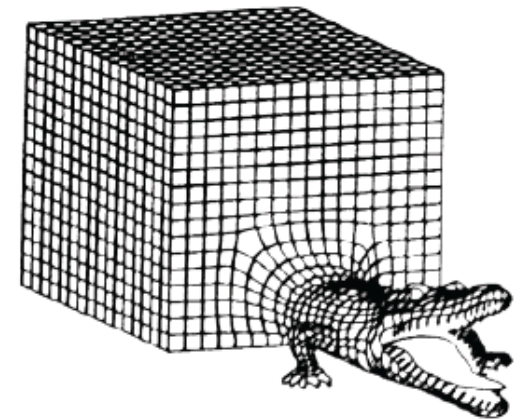
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Instead \Rightarrow Effective theories:

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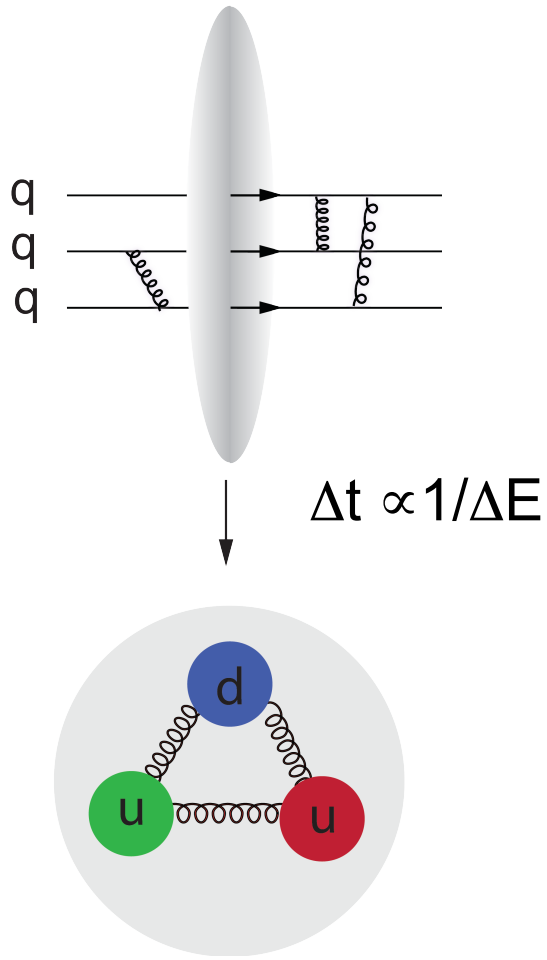


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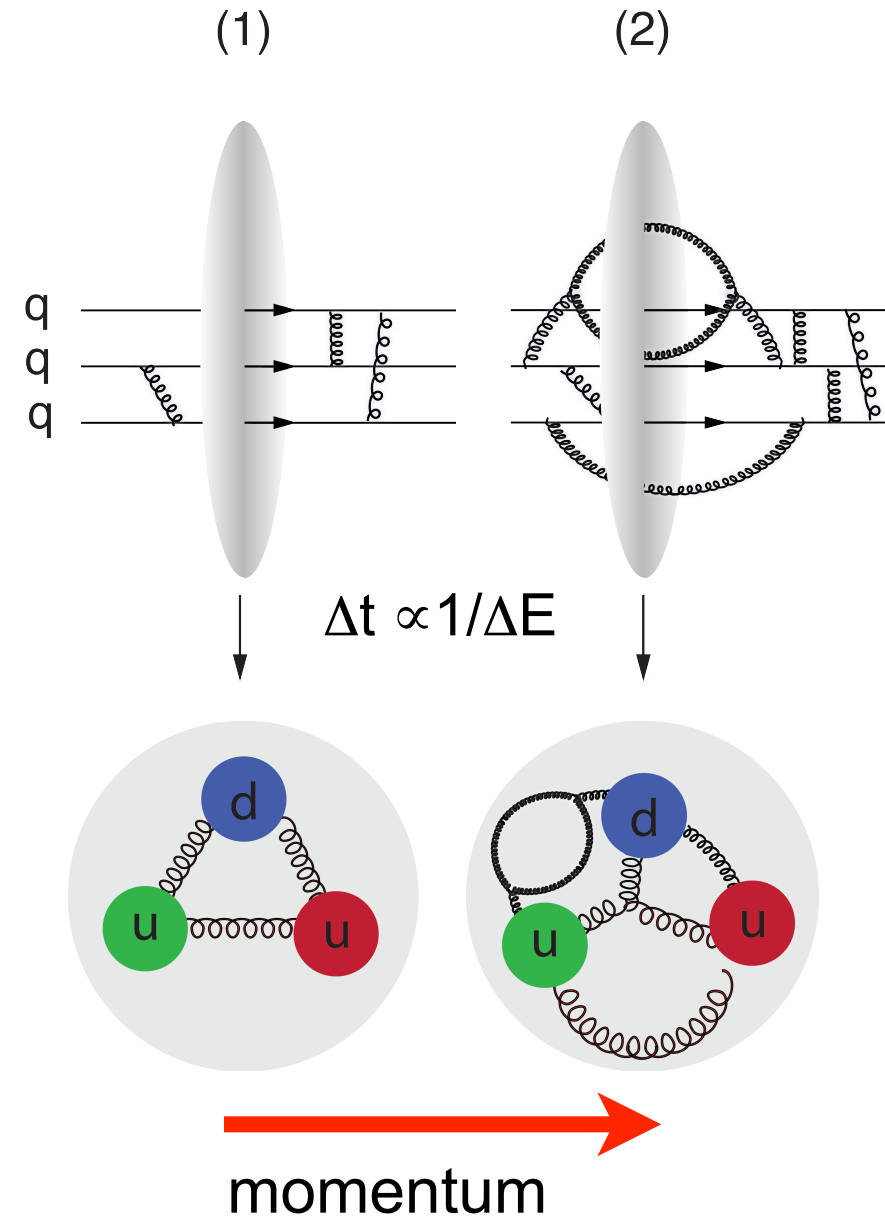


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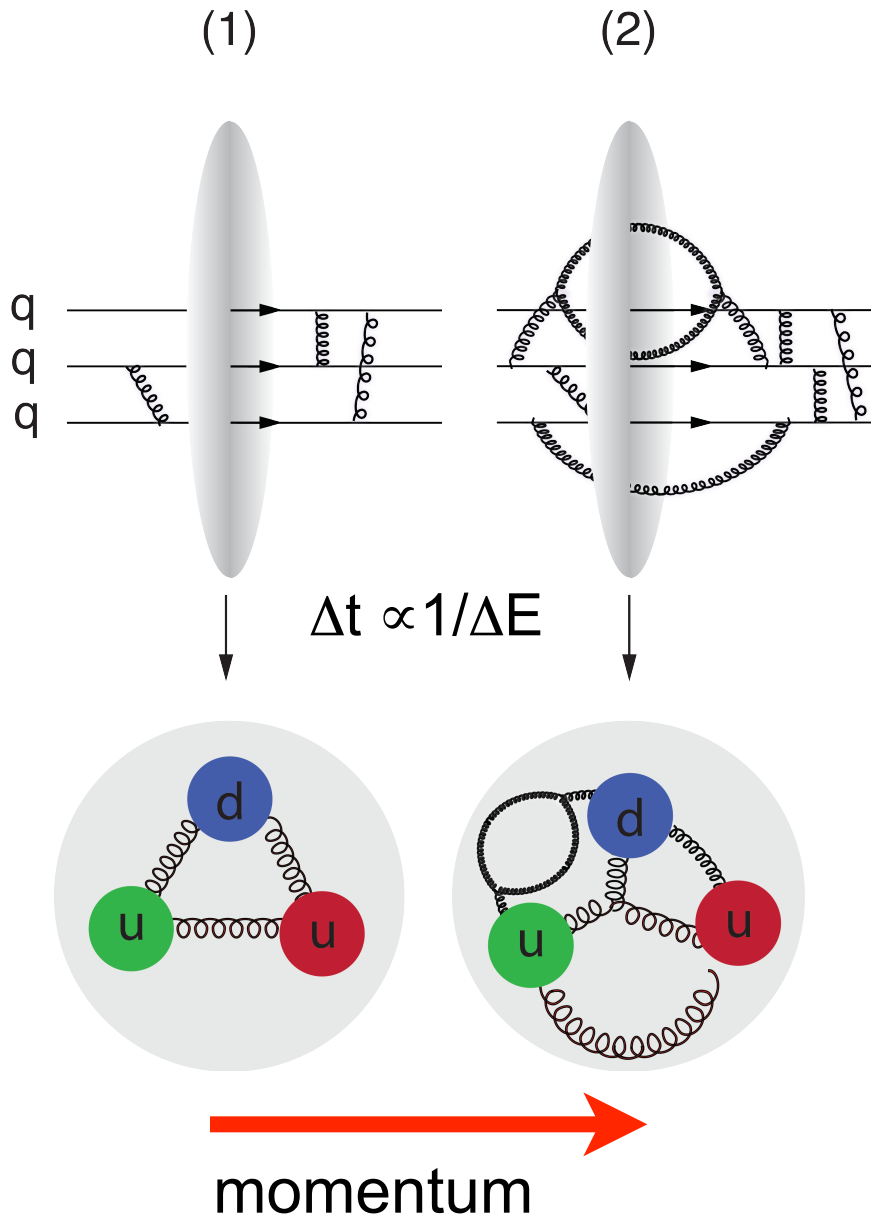
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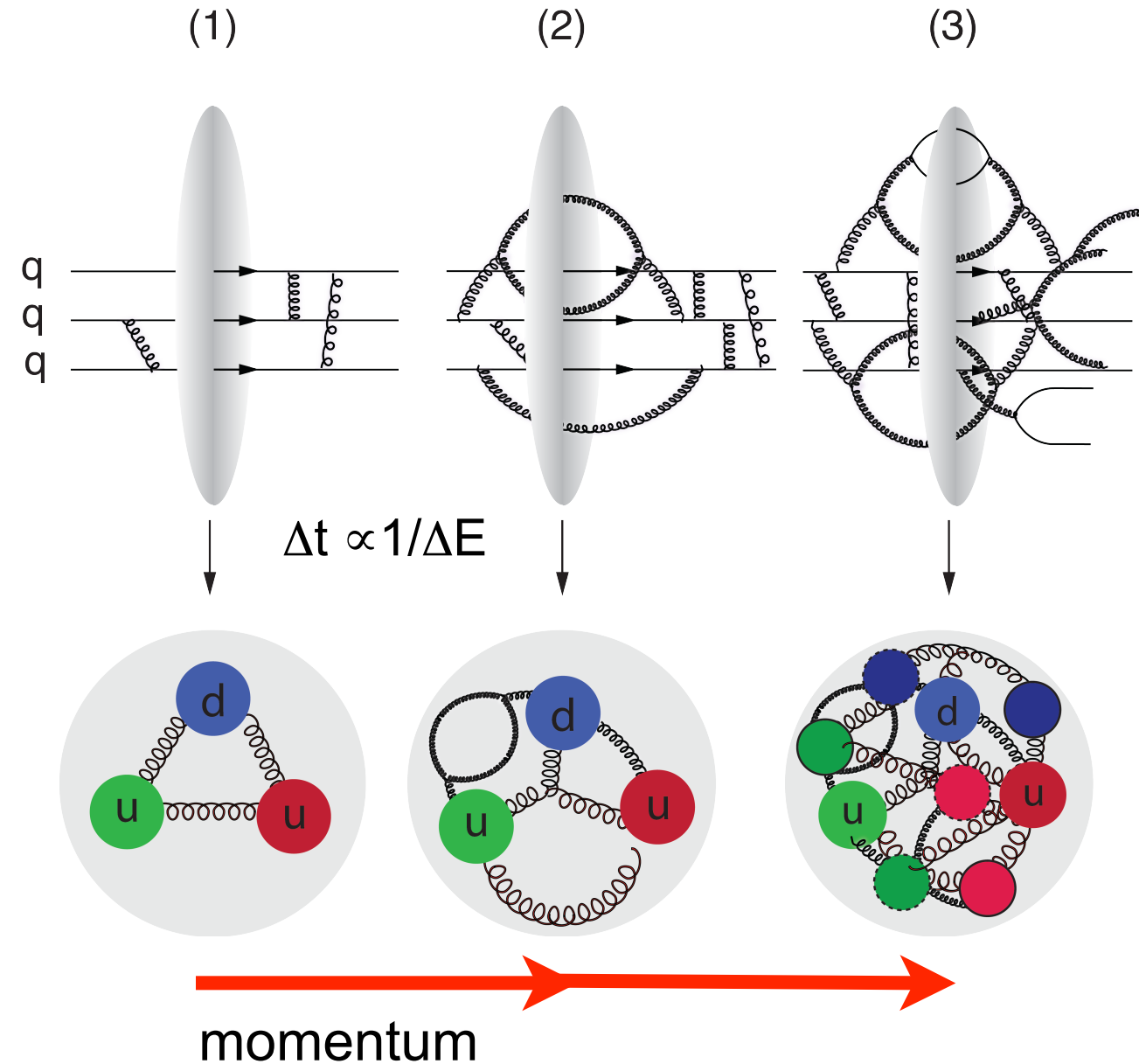
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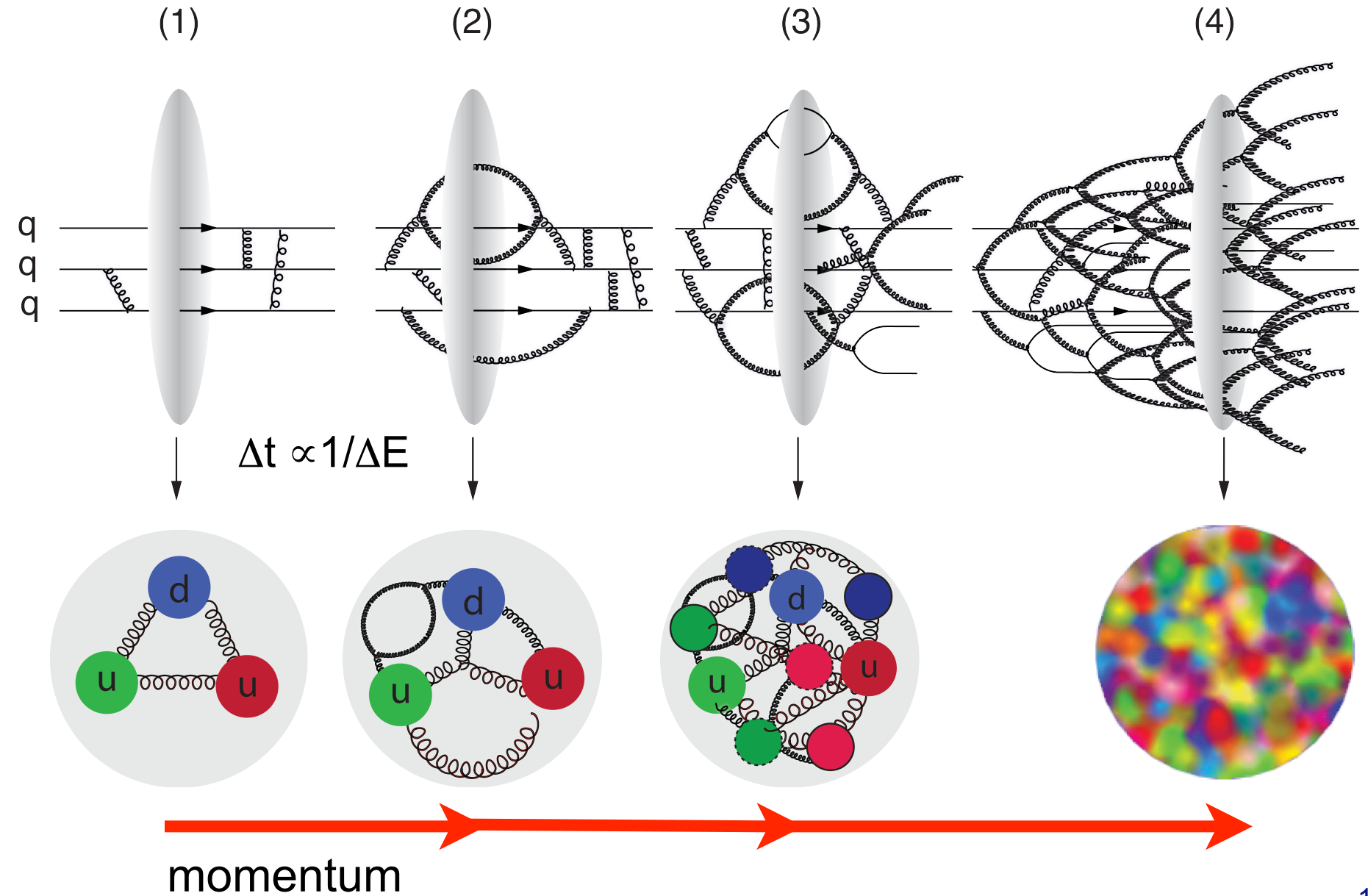
In QCD, the proton is made up of quanta that fluctuate in and out of existence

- Boosted proton:
 - ▶ Fluctuations time dilated on strong interaction time scales
 - ▶ Long lived gluons can radiate further small x gluons...
 - ▶ Explosion of gluon density

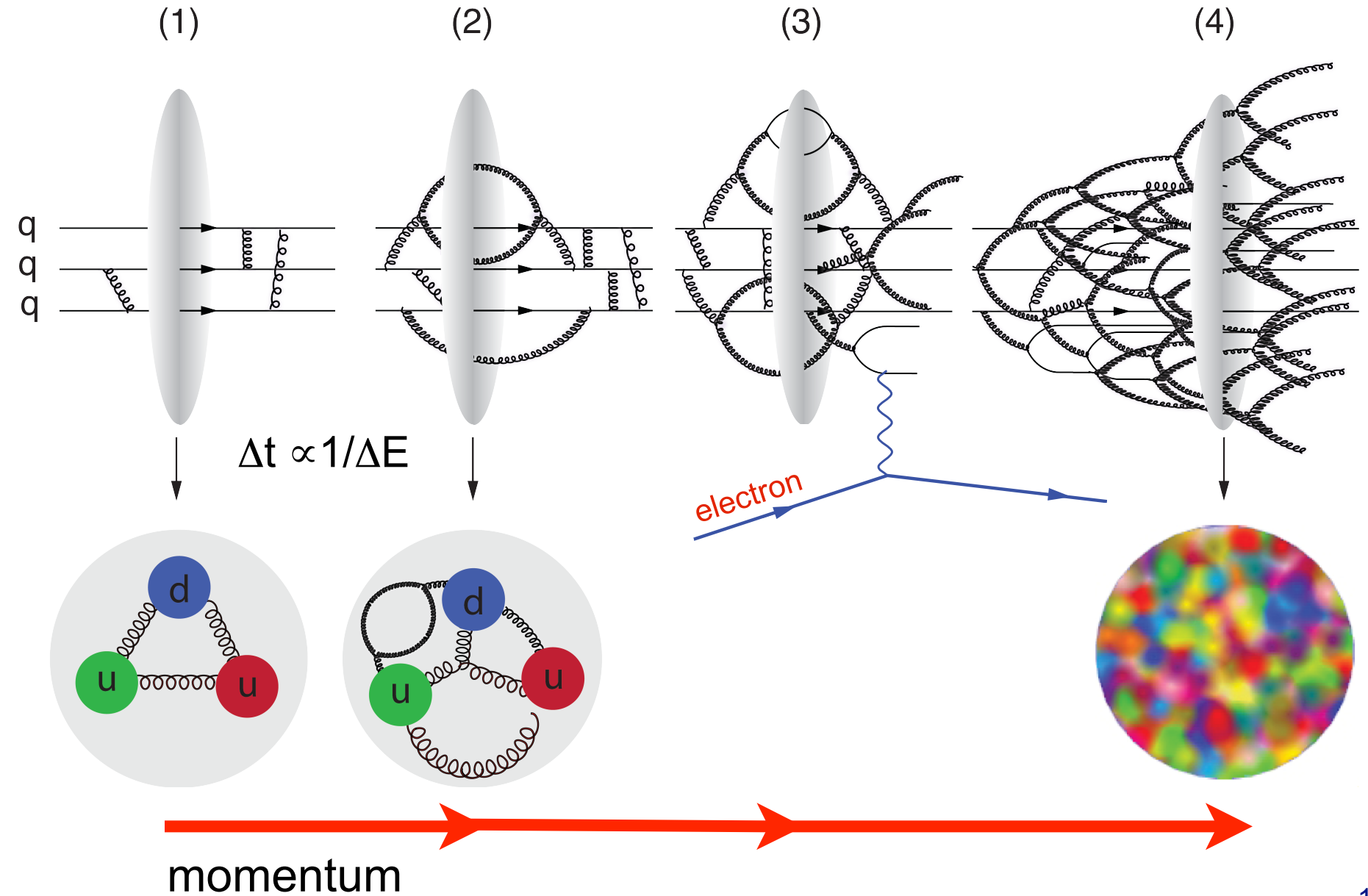
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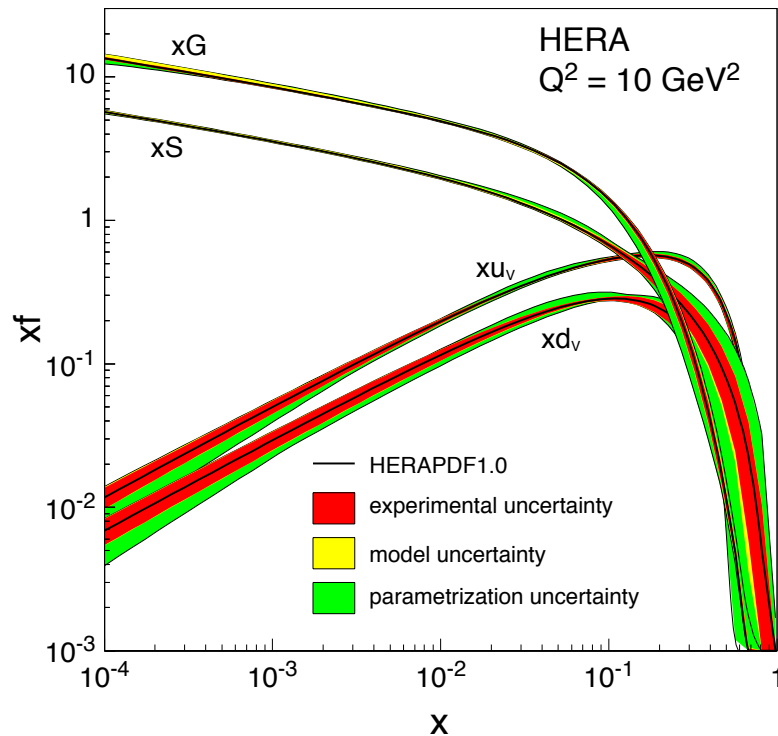


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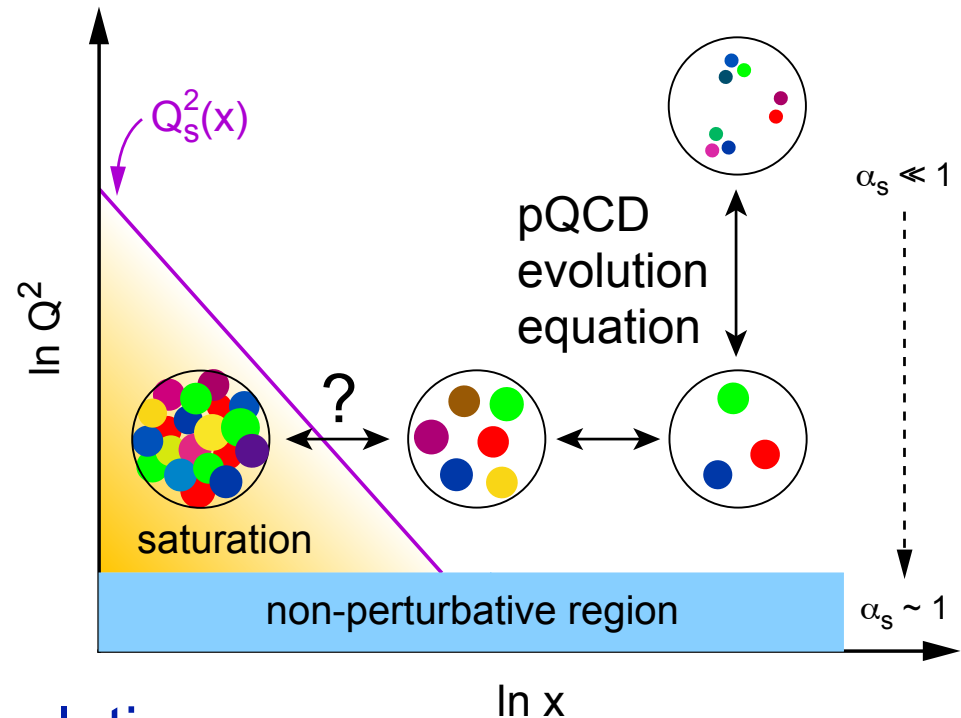
Gluon Saturation (I)

Is the proton a runaway popcorn machine at high energies ?



Explosion of gluon density
violates unitarity!

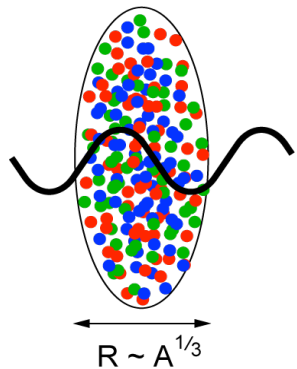
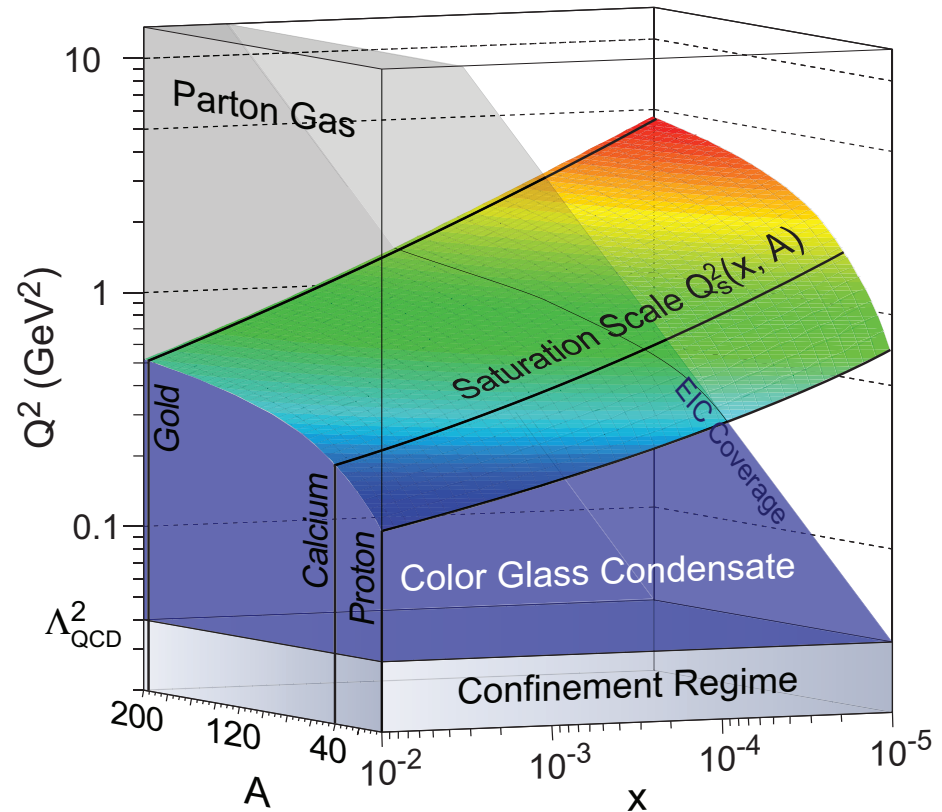
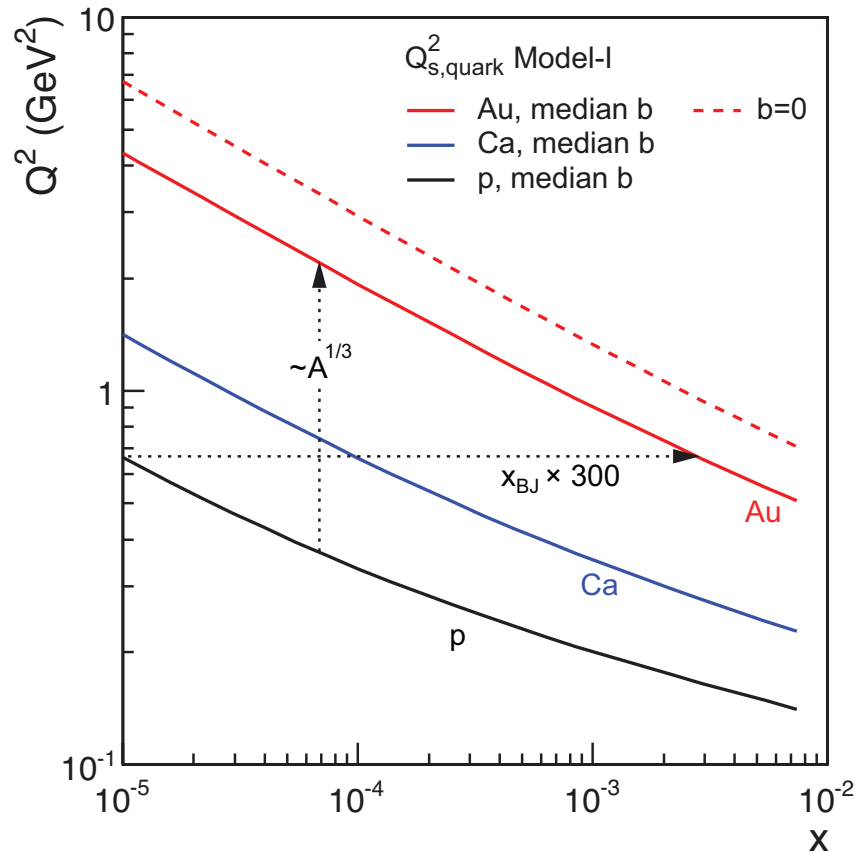
Cross-sections must be finite



New Approach: Non-Linear Evolution

- Recombination compensates gluon splitting
- New evolution equations at low- x & low to moderate Q^2
- **Saturation** of gluon densities characterized by scale $Q_s(x)$

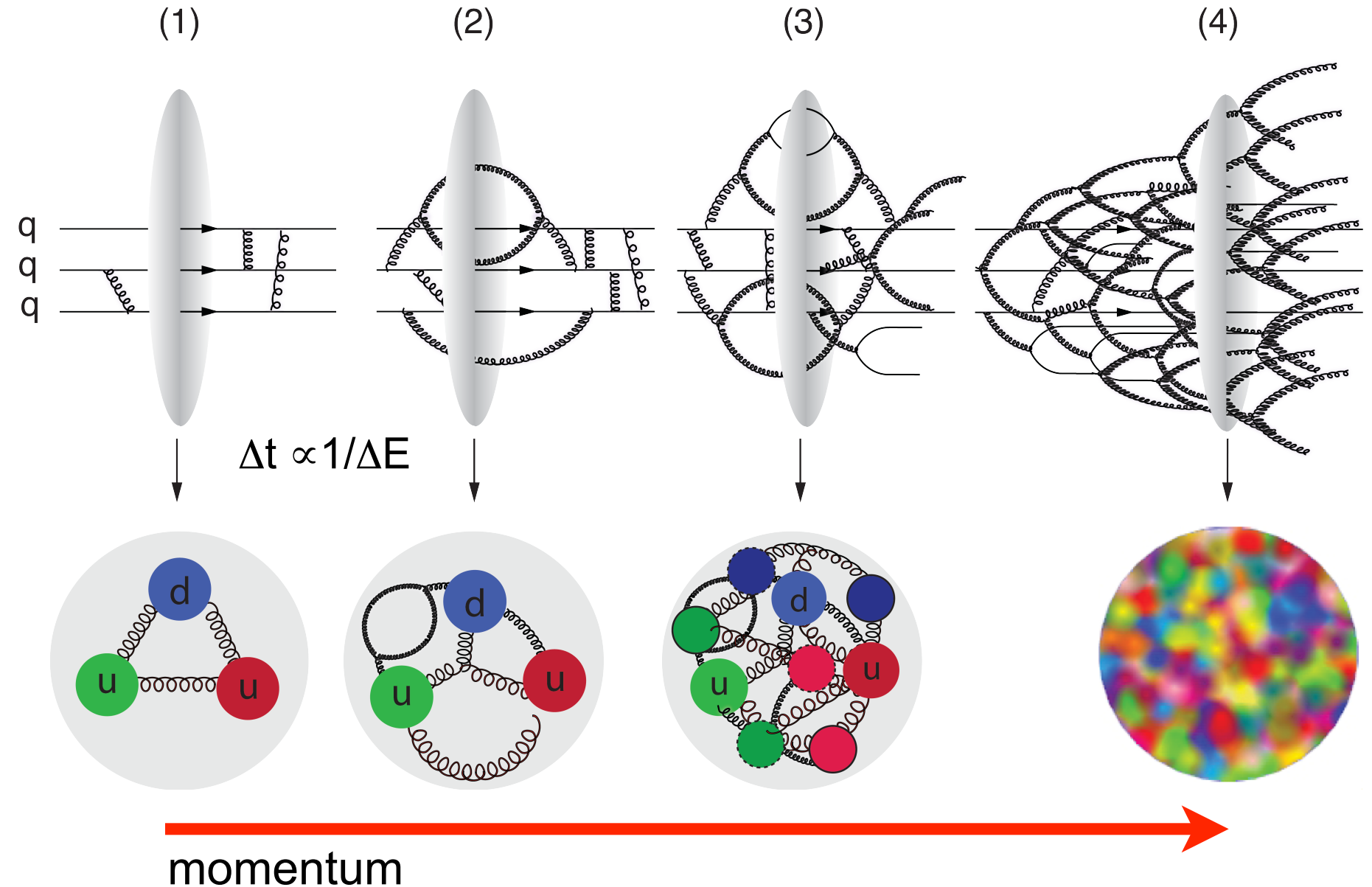
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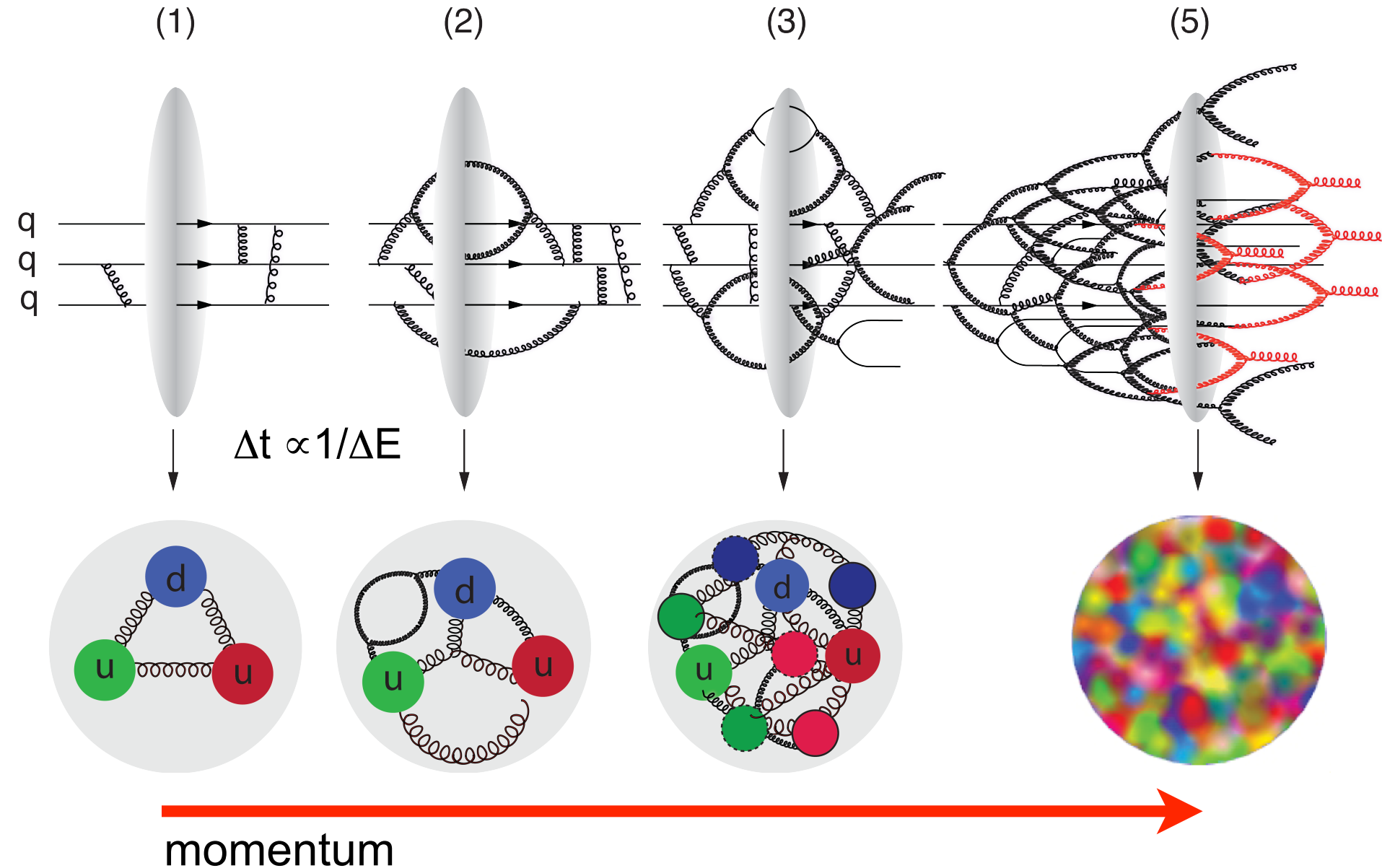
$$(Q_s^A)^2 \approx c Q_0^2 \left(\frac{A}{x} \right)^{1/3}$$

Enhancement of Q_s with A :
 saturation regime reached at
 significantly lower energy in
 nuclei (and lower cost)

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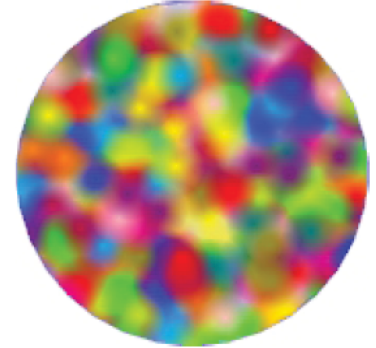
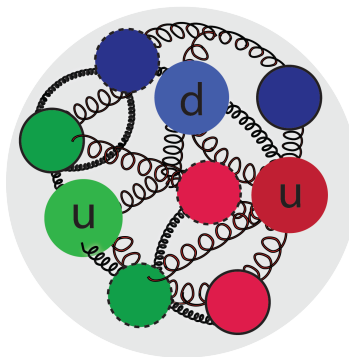
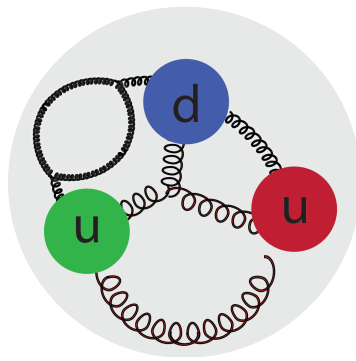
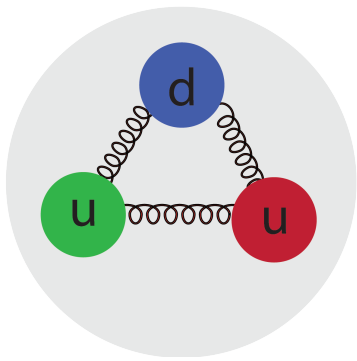
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Is this the correct picture?
Is there ultimate proof for gluon saturation?
Is the Color Glass Condensate the correct theory?

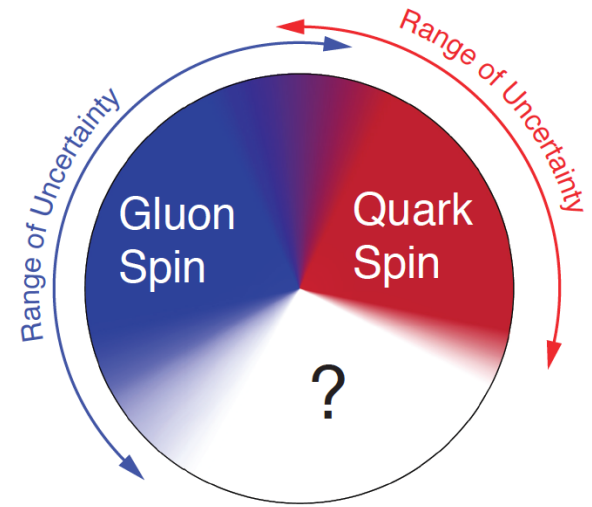


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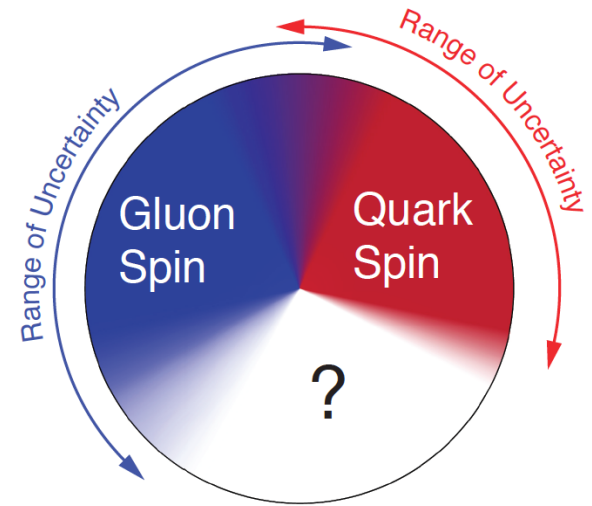
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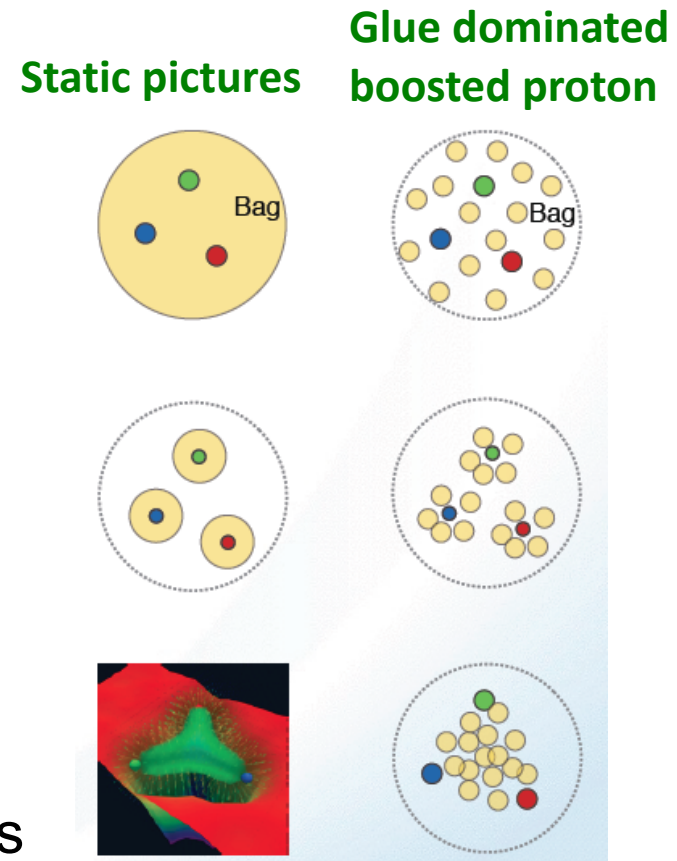
It is more than the number $\frac{1}{2}$! It is the interplay between the intrinsic properties and interactions of quarks and gluons

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

What Does a Proton Look Like?

- In transverse momentum?
- In transverse space?
- How are these distributions correlated with overall nucleon properties, such as spin direction?

- Bag Model:
 - ▶ Field energy distribution is wider than the distribution of fast moving light quarks
- Constituent Quark Model:
 - ▶ Gluons hide inside massive quarks
 - ▶ Distribution similar to valence quark distribution
- Lattice Gauge Theory:
 - ▶ (with slow moving quarks)
 - ▶ gluons are more concentrated than quarks



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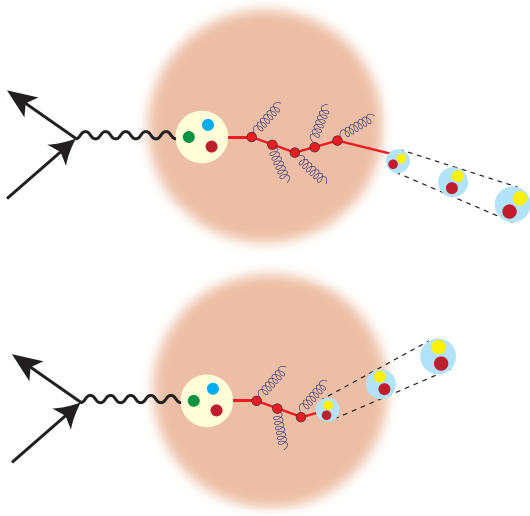
- **Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs):**

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Fragmentation

Color propagation and neutralization

- Fundamental QCD Processes:
 - ▶ Partonic elastic scattering
 - ▶ In Nucleus: Gluon bremsstrahlung in vacuum and in medium (E-loss)
 - ▶ Color neutralization
 - ▶ Hadron formation
- } dynamic confinement



- Process not understood from first principles (QCD)
- Parametrization: Fragmentation Functions
- Nuclei as space-time analyzer allows to dissect process

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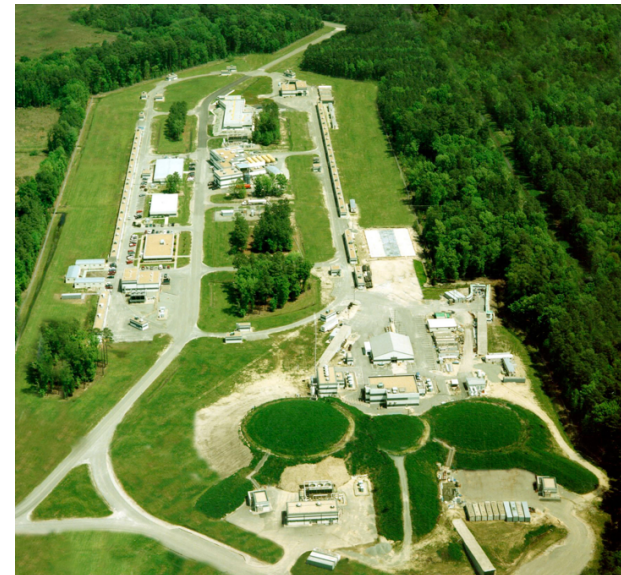
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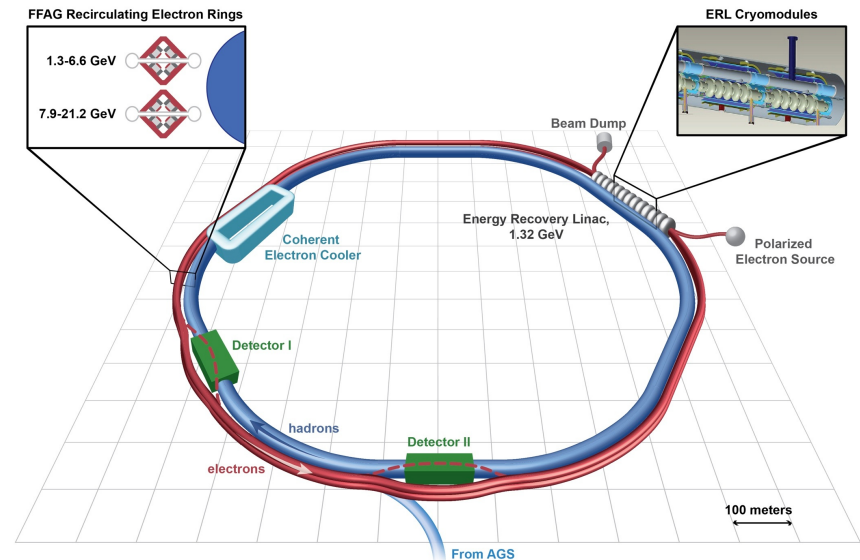
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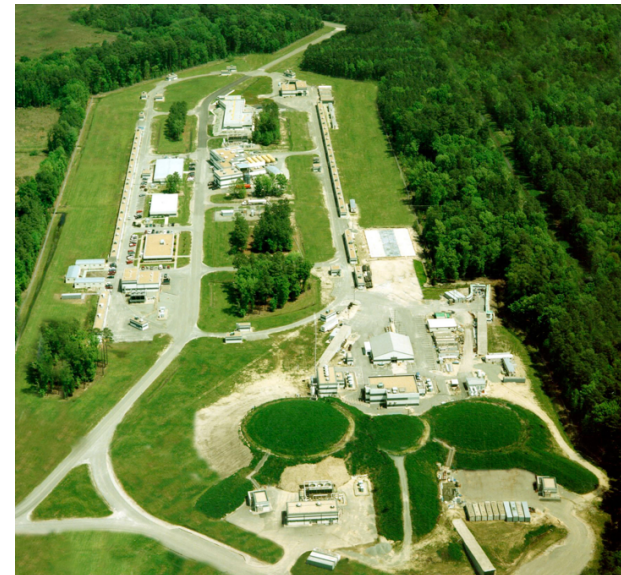
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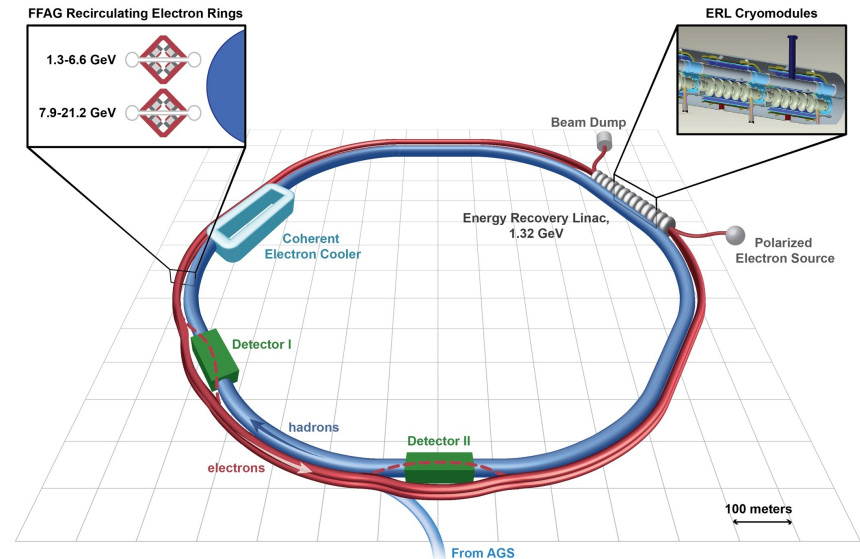
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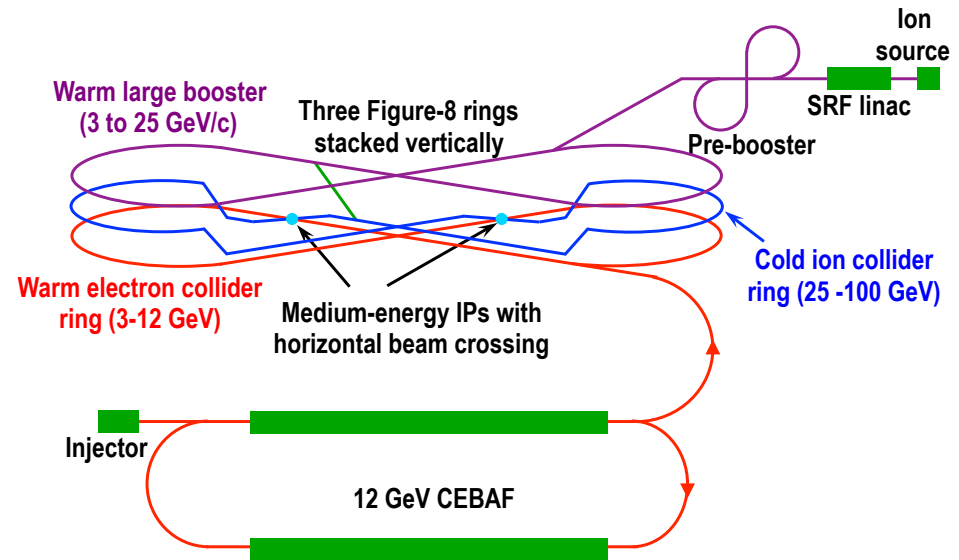
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Higher Order:

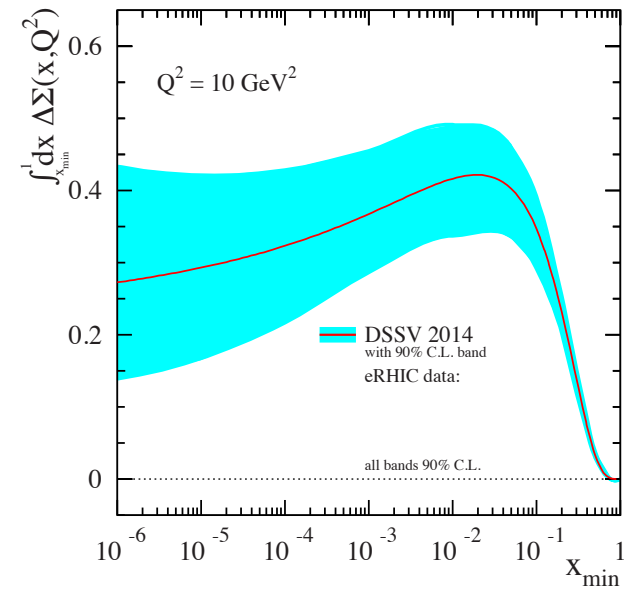
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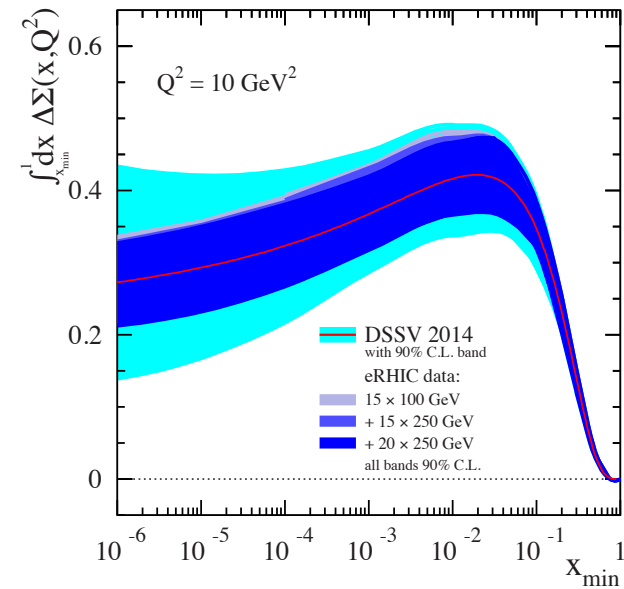


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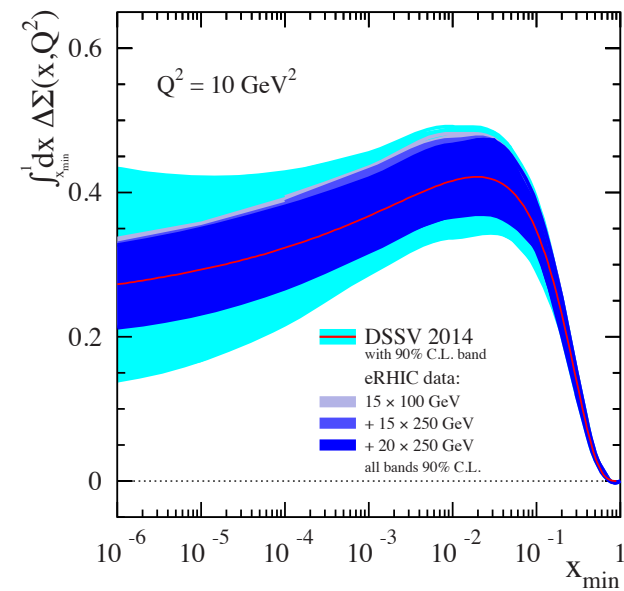


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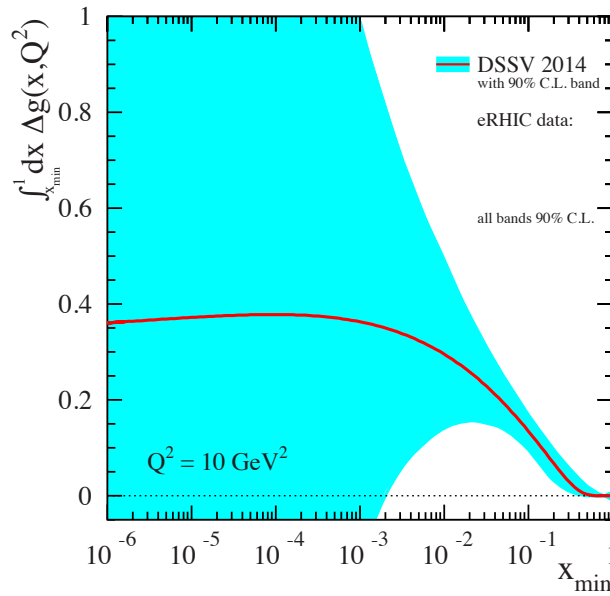
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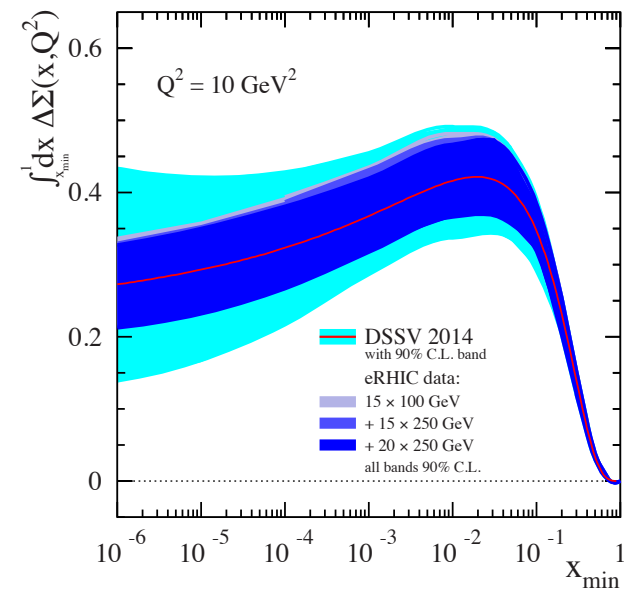


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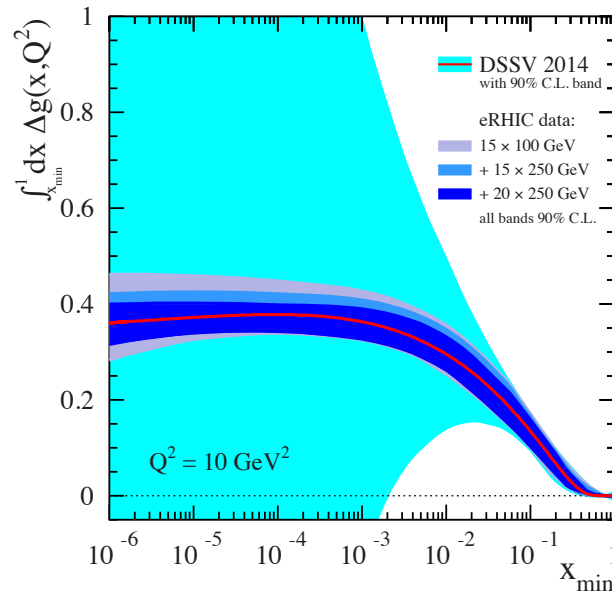
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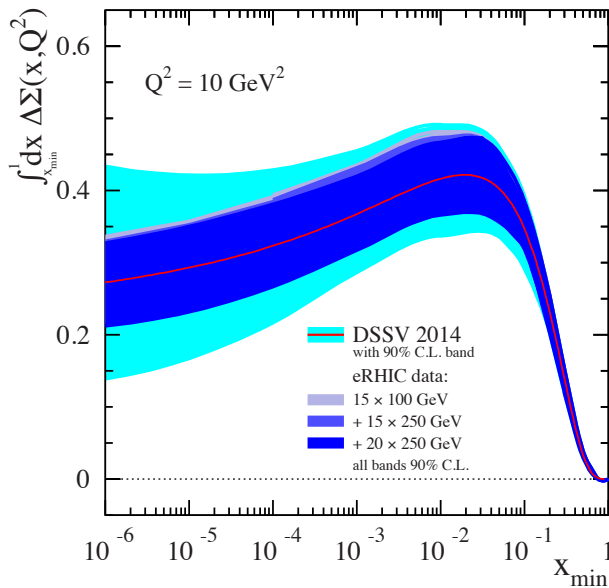


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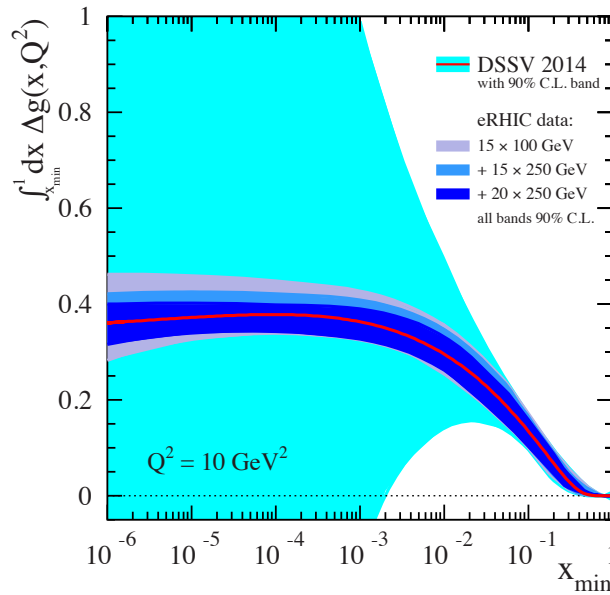
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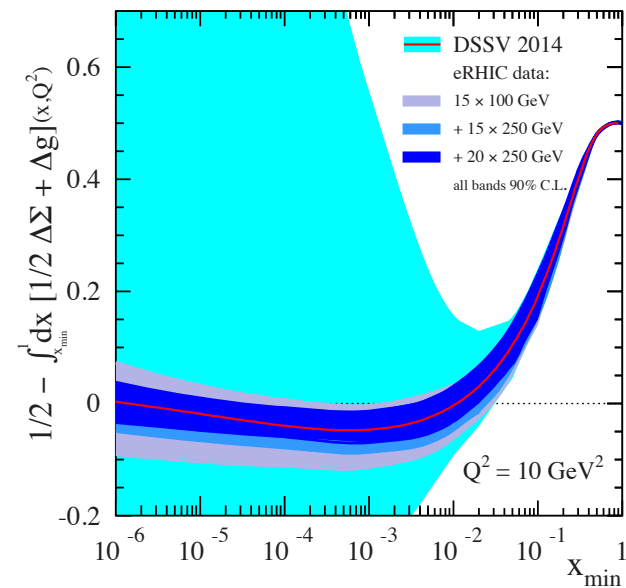
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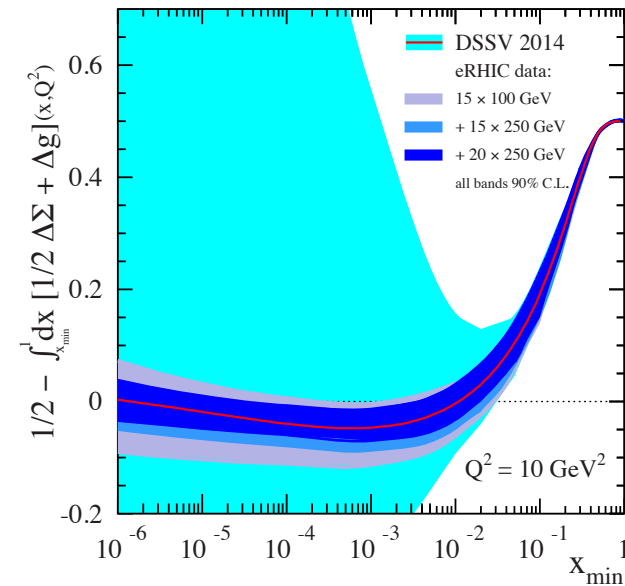
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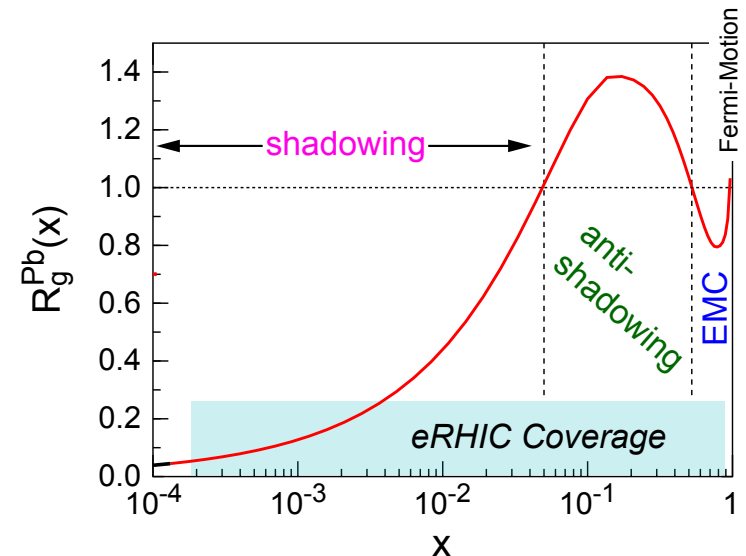
$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{eA\rightarrow eX}}{dx dQ^2} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} \left[\left(1 - y + \frac{y^2}{2}\right) F_2(x, Q^2) - \frac{y^2}{2} F_L(x, Q^2) \right]$$

quark+anti-quark gluon

F_2 and F_L are benchmark measurements:

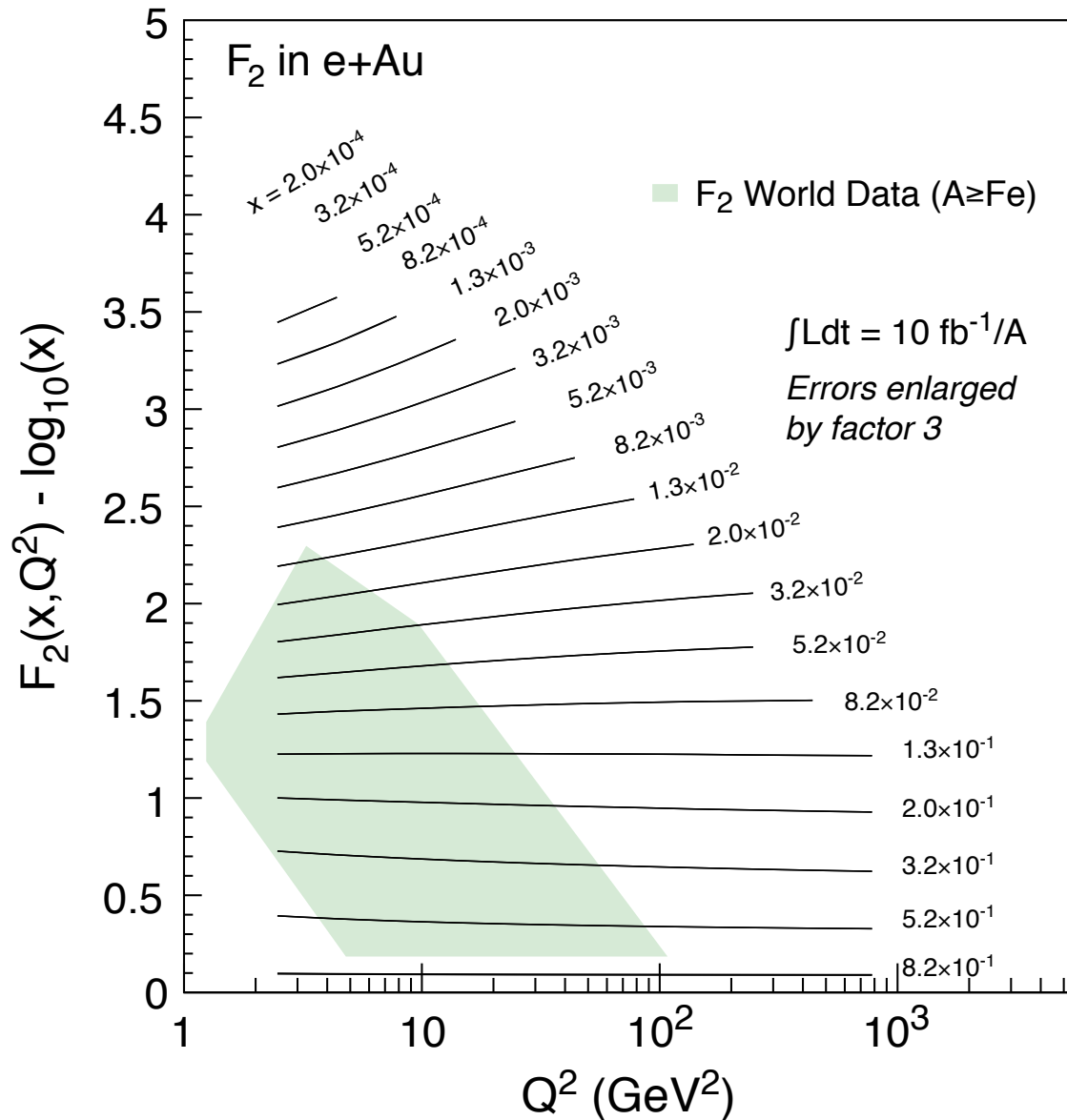
Theory/models have to be able to describe the structure functions and their evolution.

Leading twist pQCD models parameterize the observed suppression of the structure function with decreasing x using *nuclear parton distribution functions* (nPDFs)

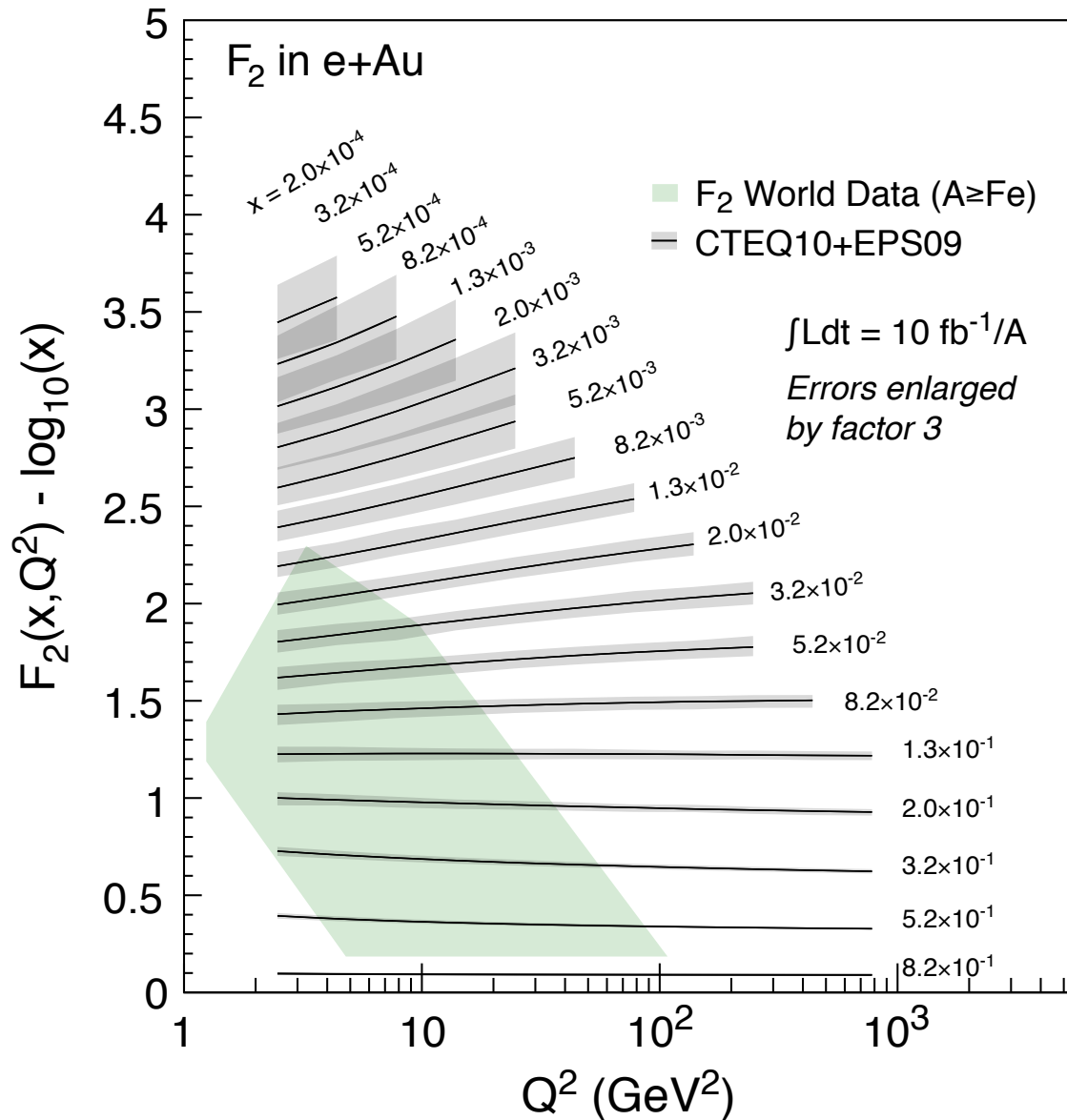


Aim at extending our knowledge on structure functions into the realm where gluon saturation effects emerge

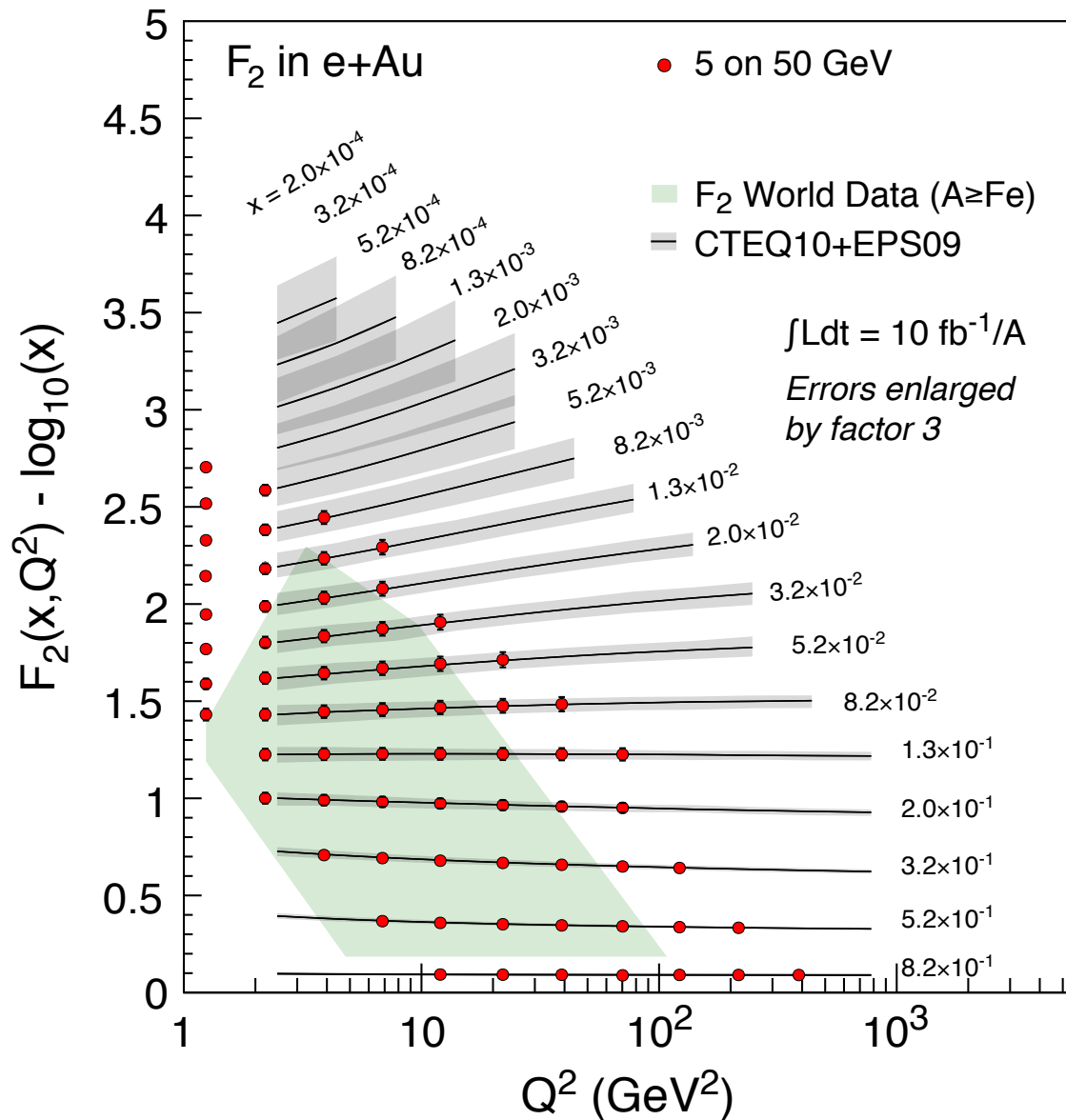
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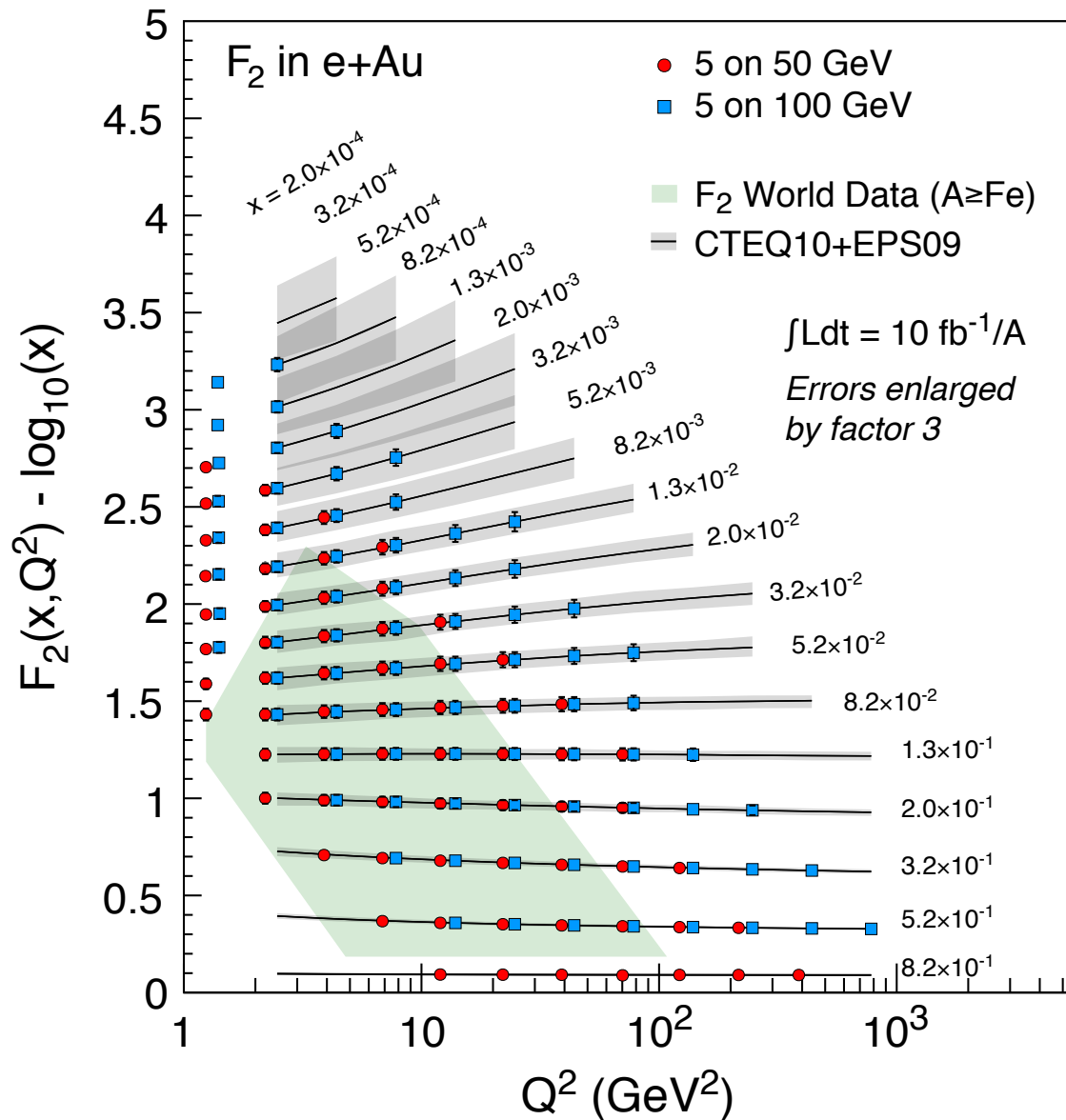


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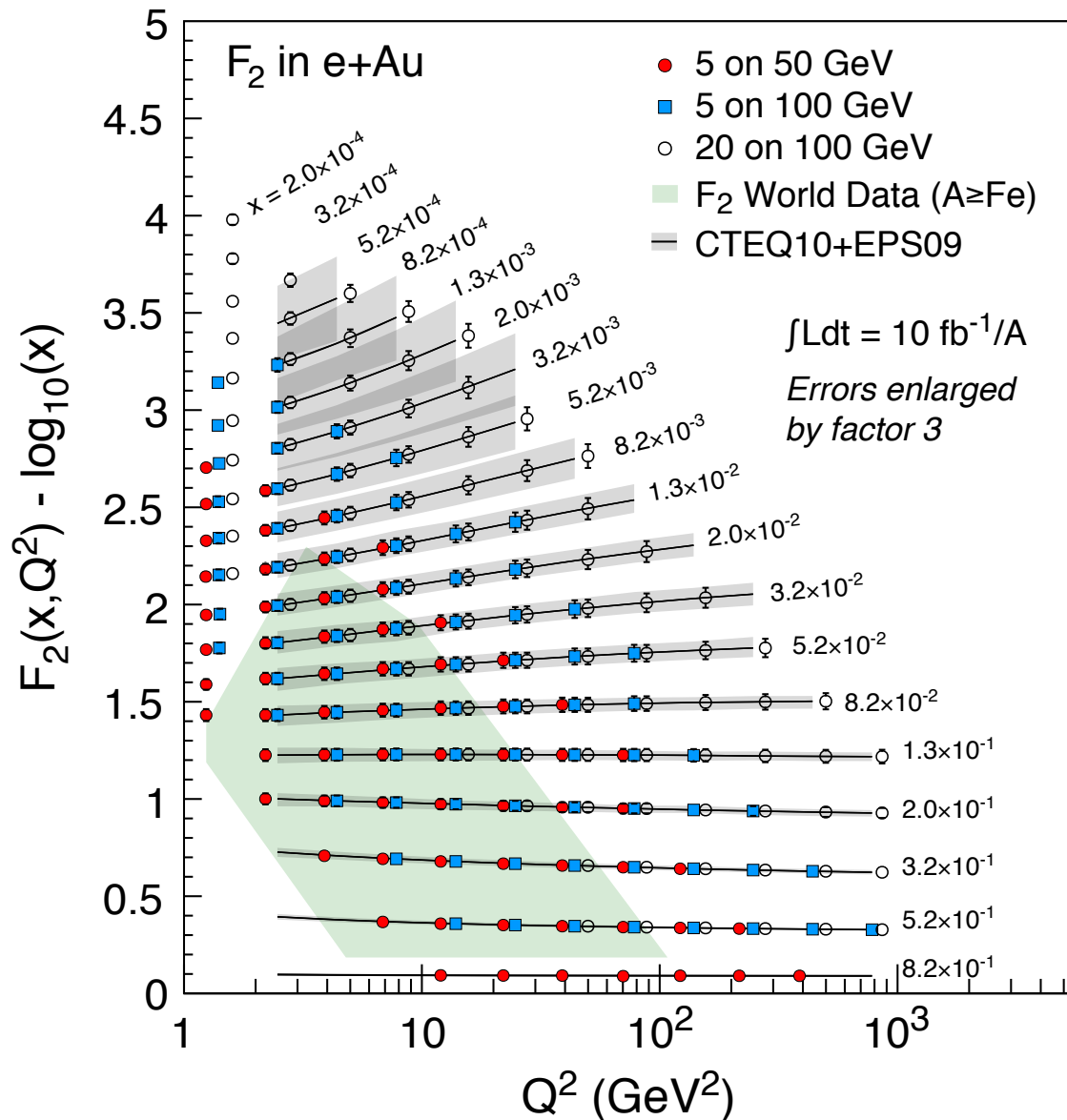
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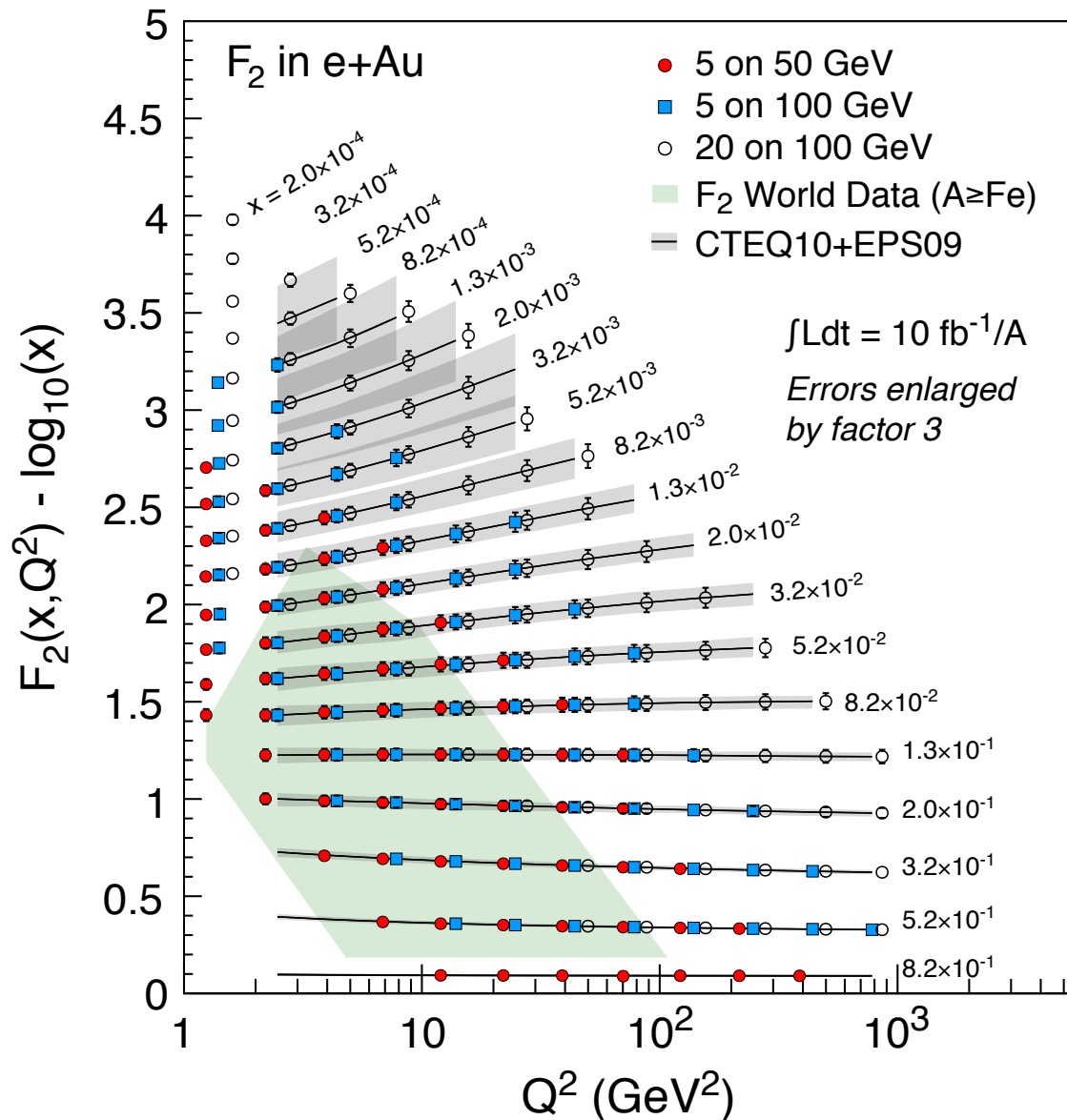
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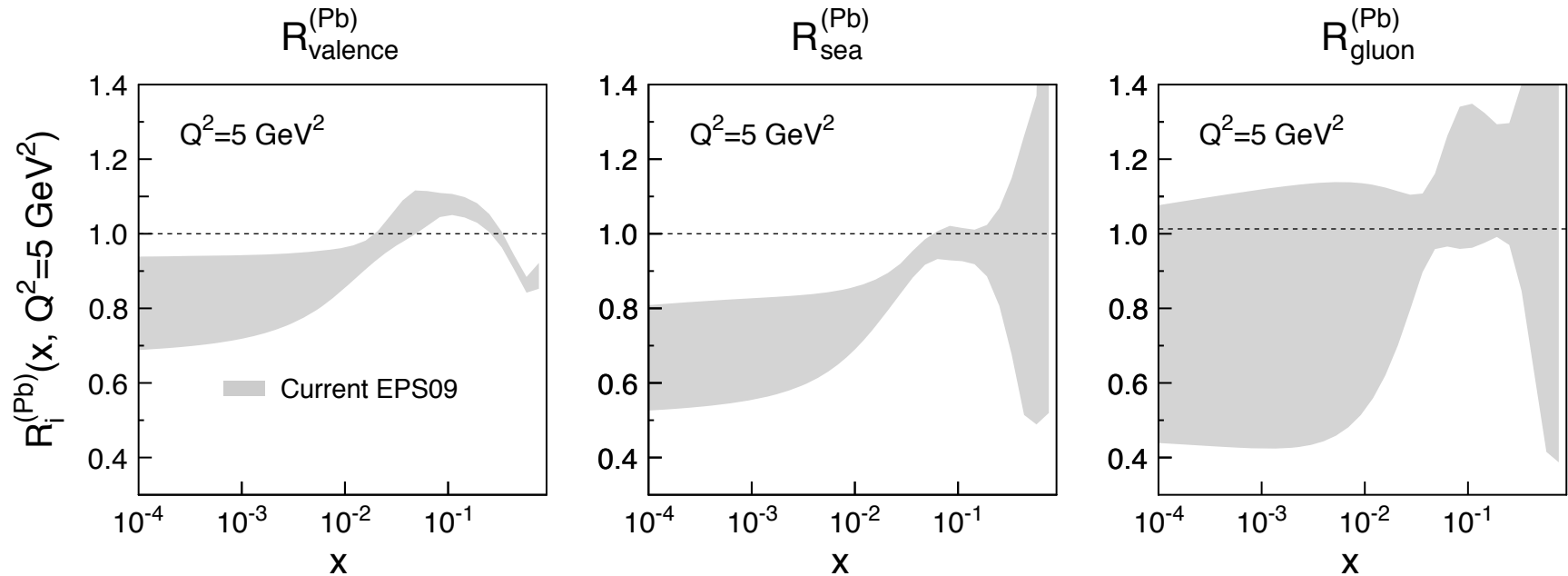


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Also studied:

- F_L
 - statistics hungry
 - requires runs at various \sqrt{s}
- $F_{2,\text{charm}}$
 - provides compelling alternative to F_L , sensitive to glue

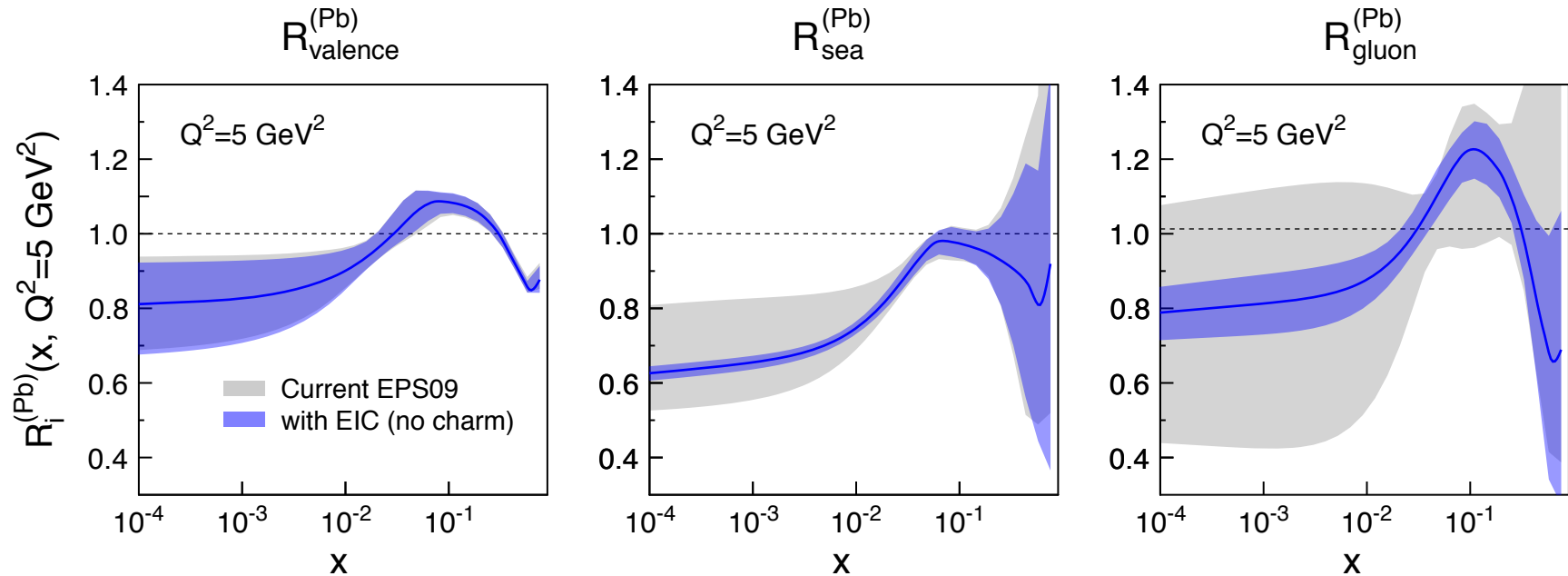
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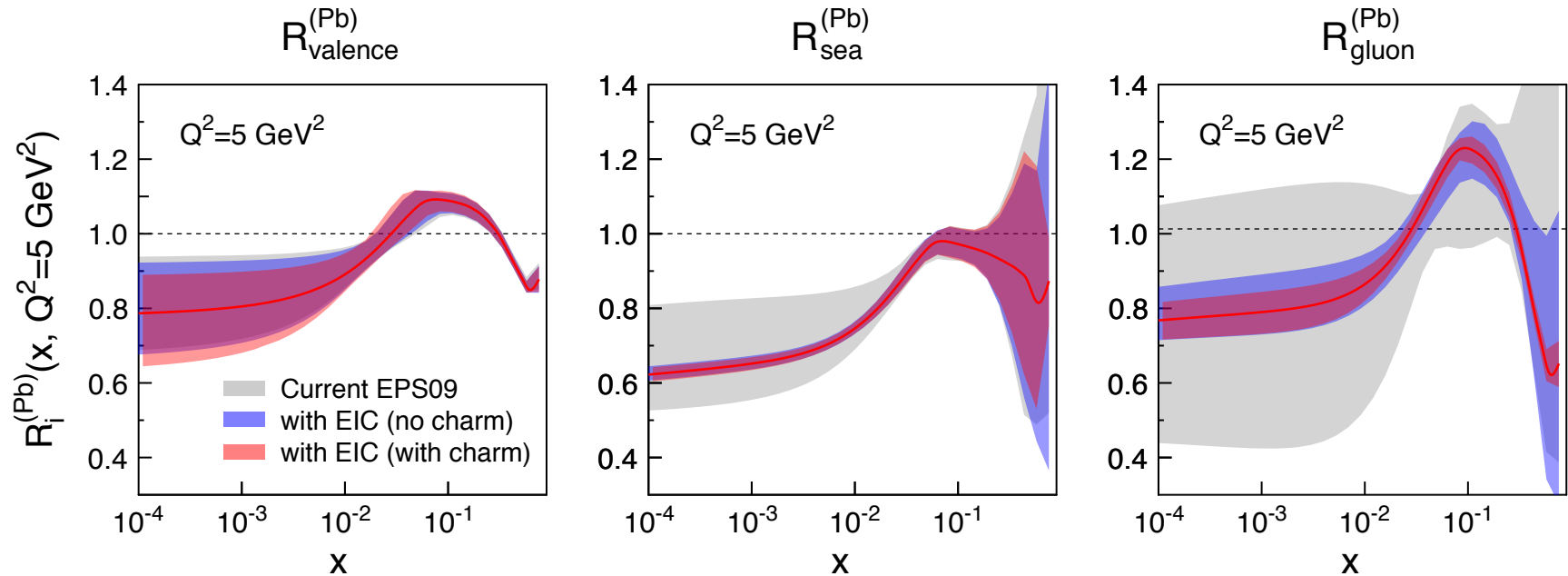
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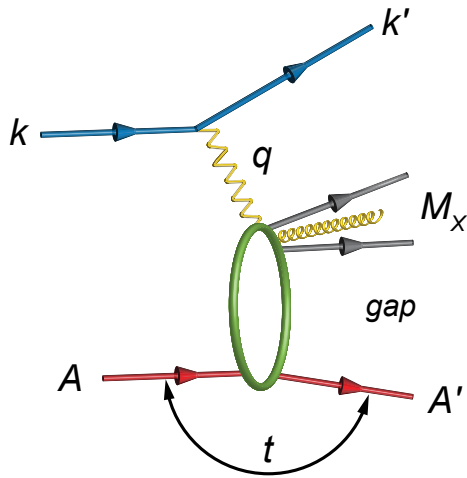


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EIC: Diffractive Events in eA

Diffractive physics will be a major component of the eA program at an EIC



- High sensitivity to gluon density: $\sigma \sim [g(x, Q^2)]^2$ due to color-neutral exchange
- Only known process where **spatial** gluon distributions of nuclei can be extracted
- 2 Types: Coherent (A stays intact) & Incoherent (A breaks up)
- Experimental challenging to identify
 - ▶ Rapidity gap \Rightarrow hermetic detector
 - ▶ Breakup needs to be detected \Rightarrow n and γ in Zero Degree Calorimeter, spectator tagging (Roman Pots), IR design!

See also talks by Vadim and Elke

EIC: Spatial Gluon Distribution from $d\sigma/dt$

1950-60: Measurement of charge (proton) distribution in nuclei

Ongoing: Measurement of neutron distribution in nuclei

EIC \Rightarrow Gluon distribution in nuclei

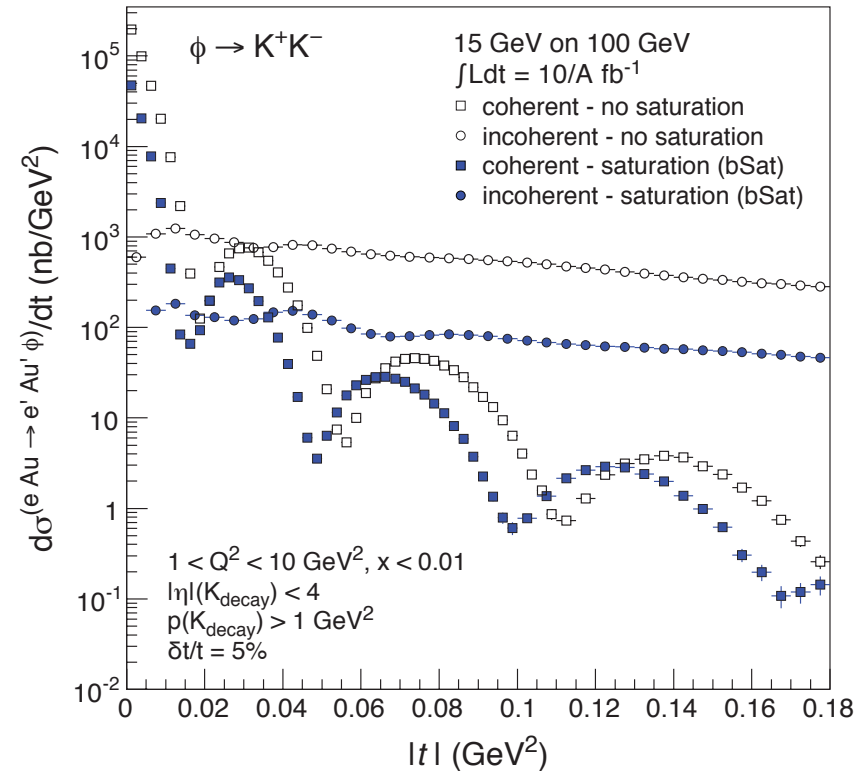
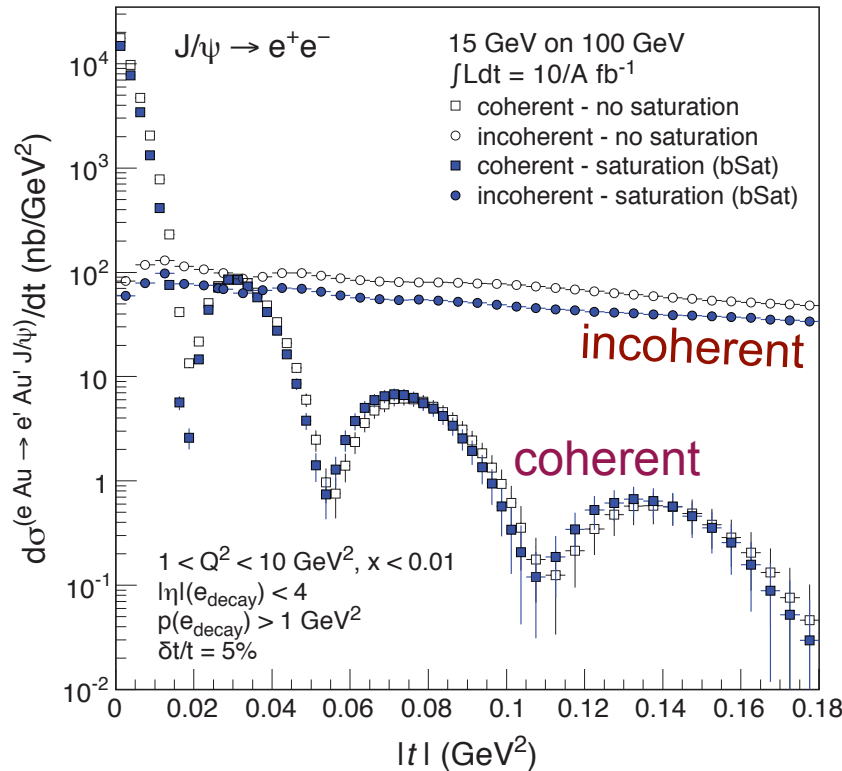
Method:

Diffraction vector meson production: $e + \text{Au} \rightarrow e' + \text{Au}' + J/\psi, \phi, \rho$

- Momentum transfer $t = |\mathbf{p}_{\text{Au}} - \mathbf{p}_{\text{Au}'}|^2$ conjugate to b_T

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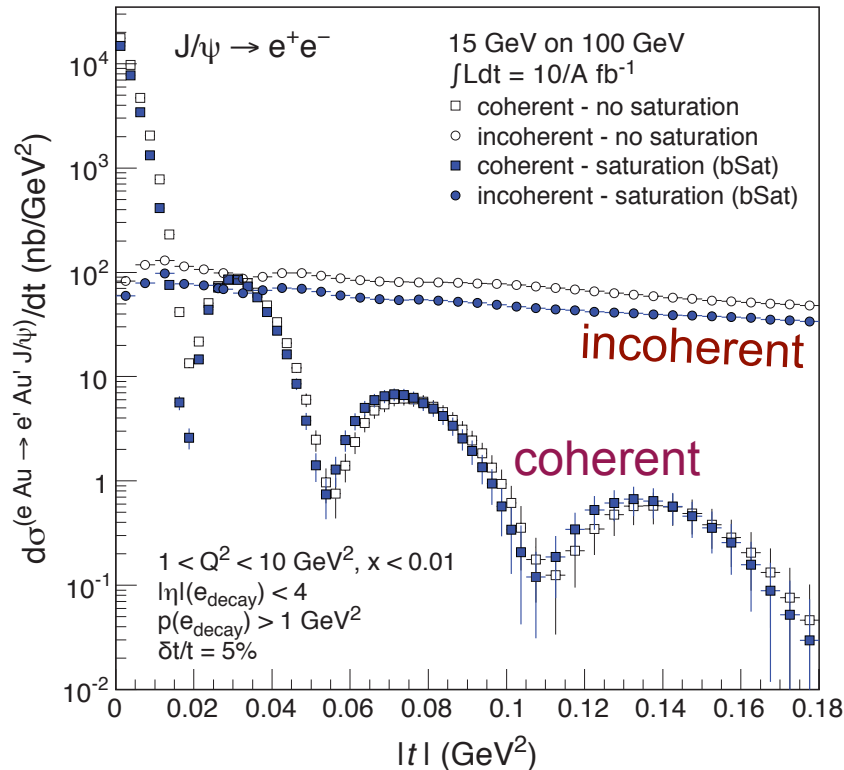
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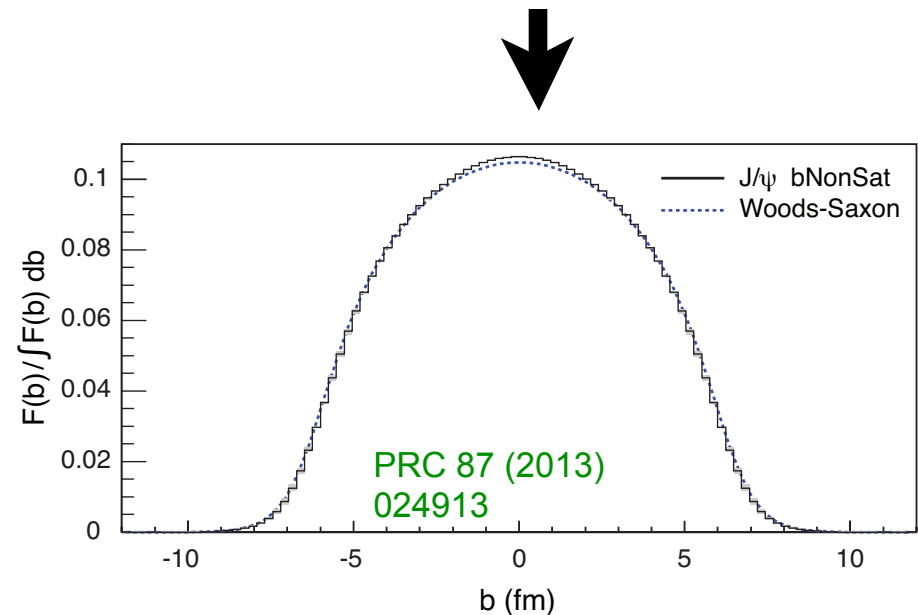
- $d\sigma/dt$: diffractive pattern known from wave optics
- ϕ sensitive to saturation effects, smaller J/ψ shows no effect
- J/ψ perfectly suited to extract source distribution

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➔ *Fourier Transform*



- Converges to input $F(b)$ rapidly: $|t| < 0.1$ almost enough
- Recover accurately any input distribution used in model used to generate pseudo-data (here Wood-Saxon)
- Systematic measurement requires $\int \mathcal{L} dt \gg 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}/A$

Take Away Message

EIC, with its high energy, high luminosity eA and polarized ep collisions, will provide answers to long-standing fundamental questions in QCD

- **ep:** Precision studies of structure functions, TMDs, and GPDs will lead to the most comprehensive picture of the nucleon ever: its flavor, spin, and spatial structure
- **eA:** Unprecedented study of matter in a new regime of QCD. New capabilities open a new frontier to study the saturation region, measure the gluonic structure of nuclei, and investigate color propagation, and fragmentation using the nucleus as analyzer.

This physics is tied to a future high-energy electron-ion collider
It cannot be done without.

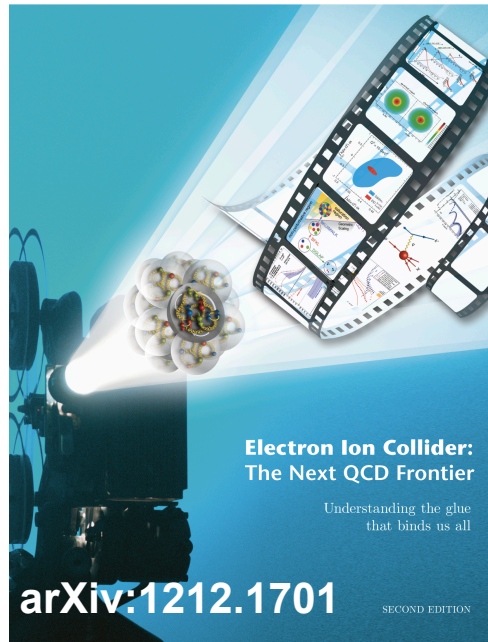
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- **eA:** Unexplored territory. New capabilities in the low-x region, the color parton distribution functions, and the analysis of the data.

This physics

For more:



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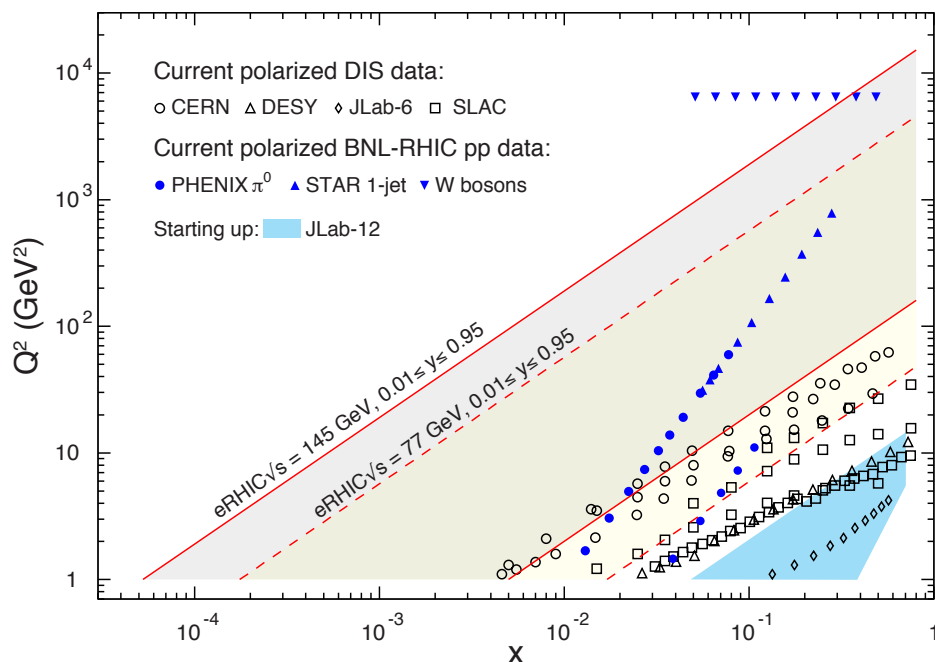
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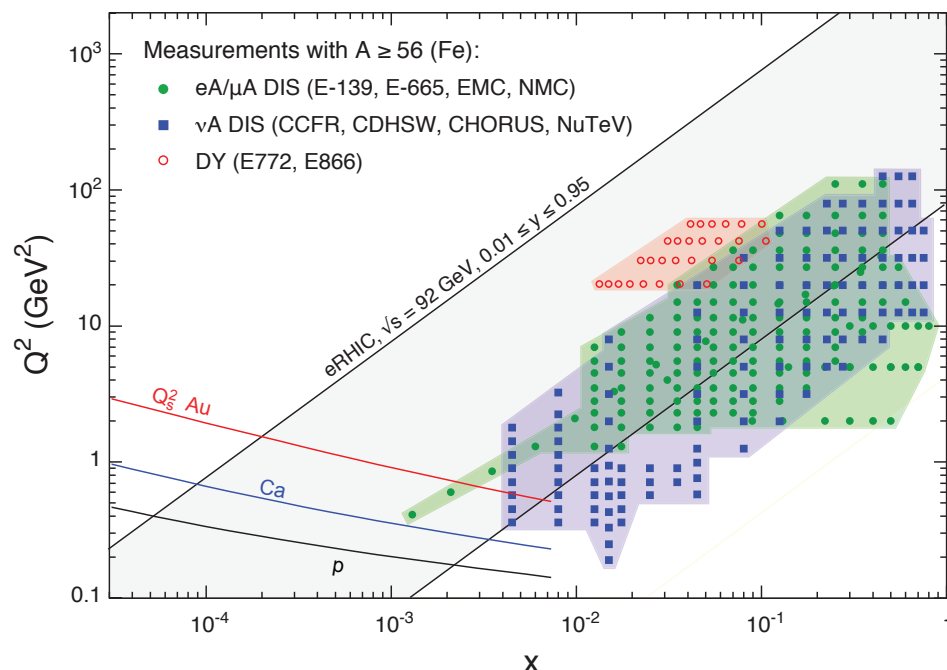
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polarized ep



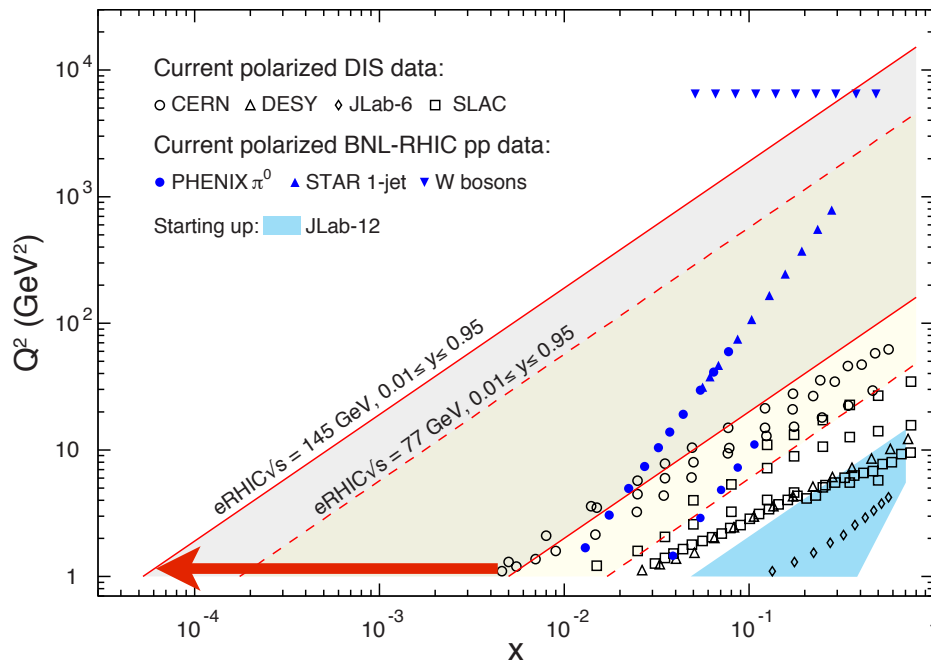
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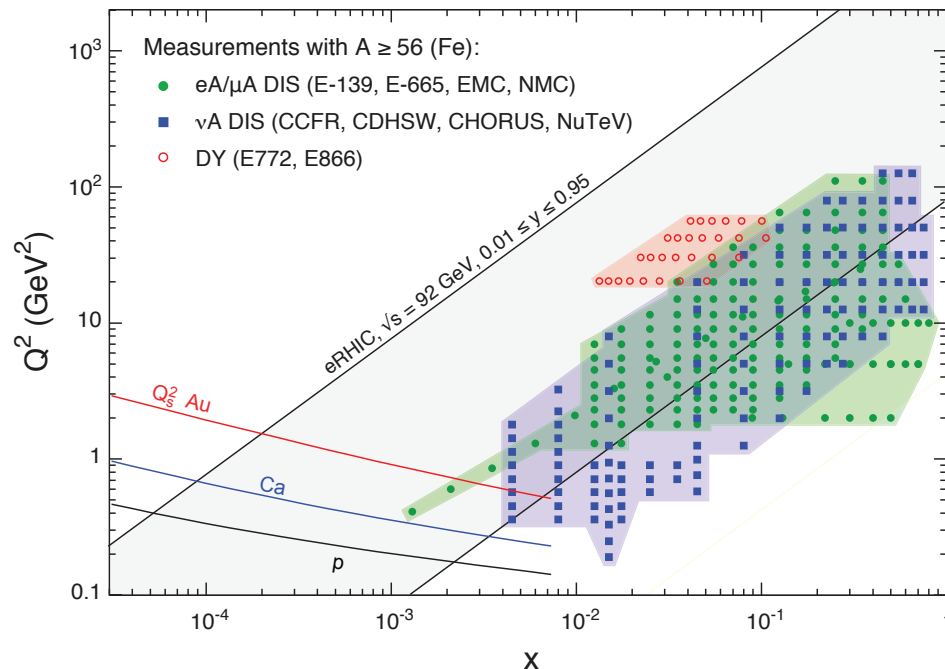
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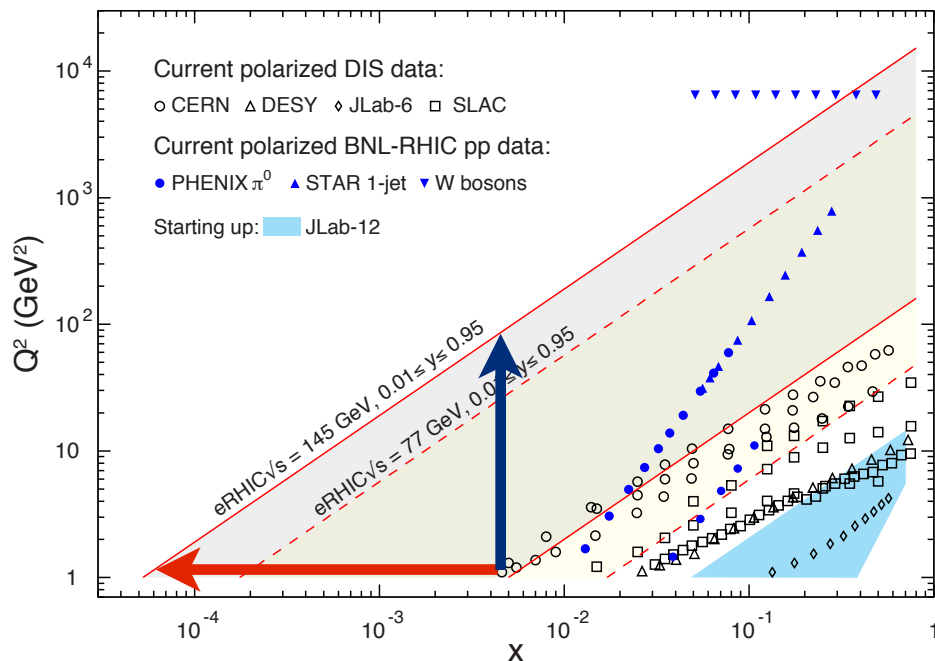
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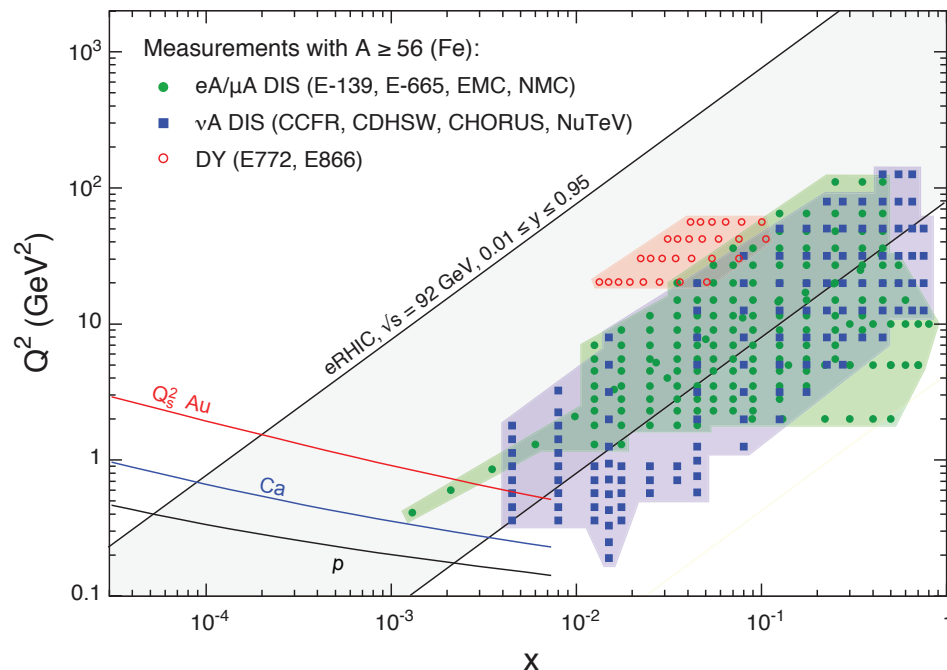
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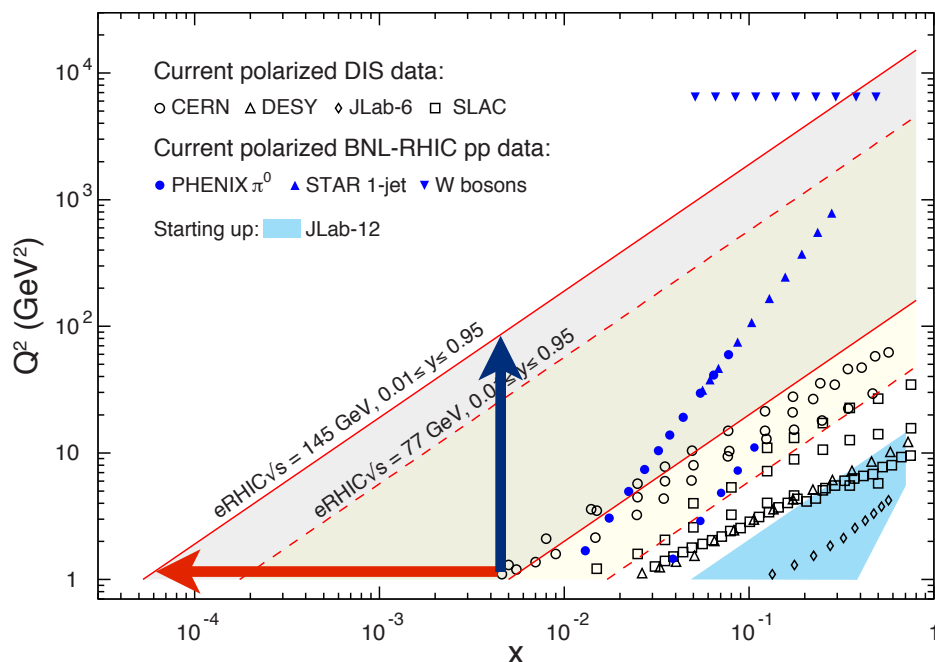
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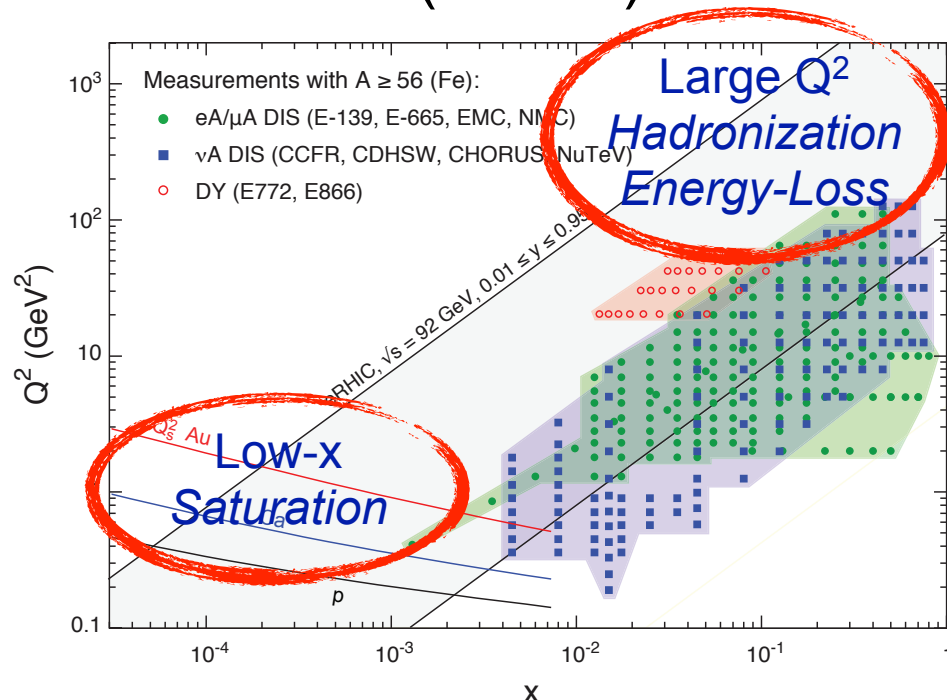
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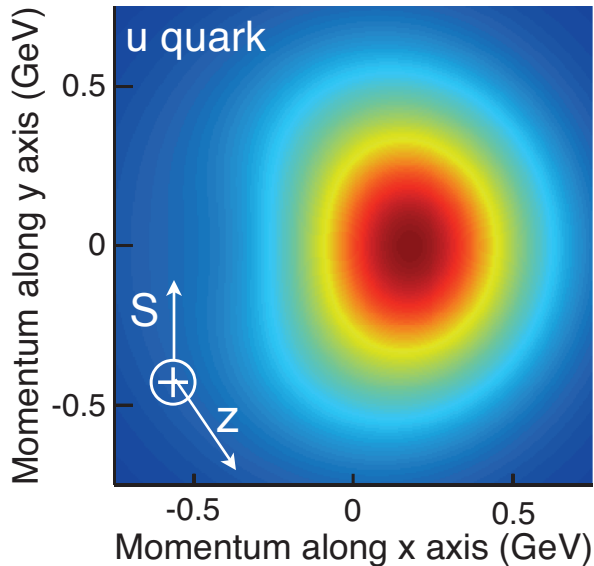
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3D Imaging at an EIC: TMDs & GPDs



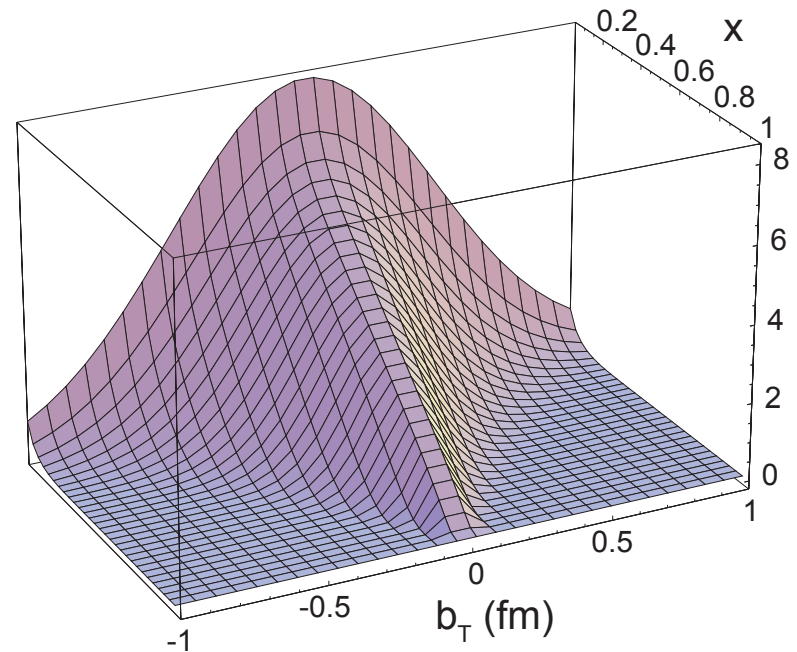
- **Transverse Momentum Distributions (TMDs):**

- ▶ 2D+1 picture in **momentum** space (k_T)



- **Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs):**

- ▶ 2D+1 picture in **coordinate** space (b_T)



EIC - Status

- April '14: Nuclear Science Advisory Committee charged by DOE/NSF to create NP Long Range Plan
- September '14: Town Meeting of QCD community (incl. BNL and JLab) support EIC (highest priority for new construction)
- January '15: NSAC sub-panel EIC cost estimate review
- April '15: LRP Resolution Meeting
- October '15: LRP submitted to DOE/NSF
- Site selection expected after positive LRP decision