

# **QCD saturation predictions in momentum space: heavy quarks at HERA**

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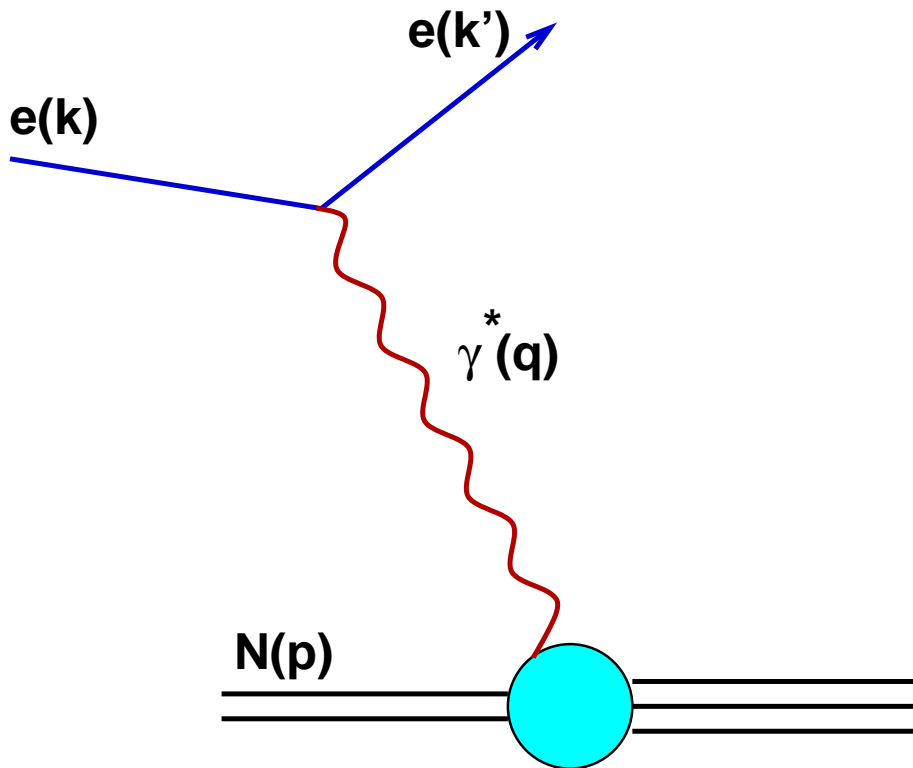
# Outline

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- The Dipole Model
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# Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS)

## Kinematics and variables



- The total energy squared of the photon-nucleon system

$$s = (p + q)^2$$

- Photon virtuality

$$q^2 = (k - k')^2 = -Q^2 < 0$$

- The Bjorken variable

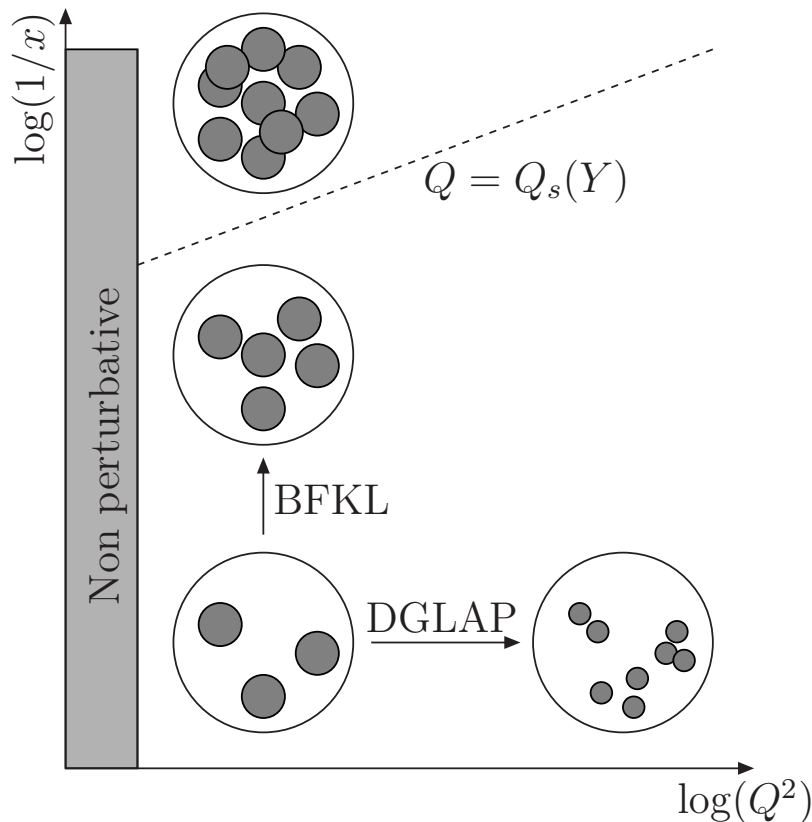
$$x \equiv x_{Bj} = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q} = \frac{Q^2}{Q^2 + s}$$

- The high energy limit:

$$s \rightarrow \infty, \quad x \approx \frac{Q^2}{s} \rightarrow 0$$

# QCD at high energies

- As energy increases (with  $Q$  fixed) the gluon density grows fast and so does the cross sections for hadronic interactions
  - This is still a challenge in [Quantum Chromodynamics](#)
- At this regime gluon recombination and multiple scattering might be important to restore unitarity



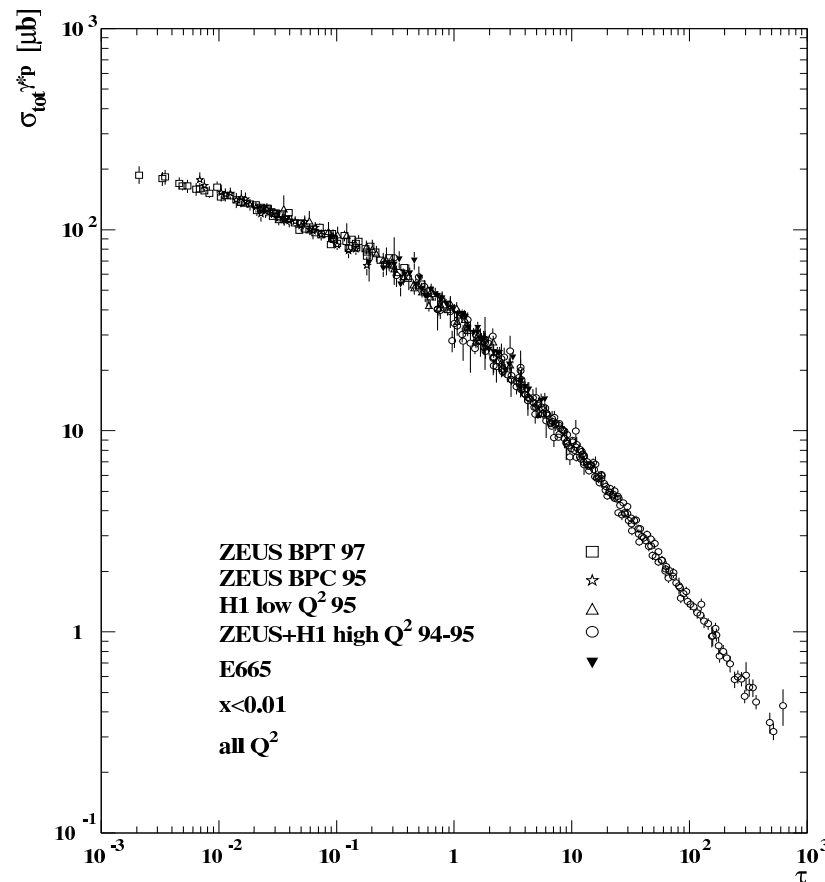
- $Q_s(Y)$  is the so called **saturation scale**
- The nonlinear saturation effects are important for all  $Q \lesssim Q_s(Y)$ , which is known as **saturation region**

# Towards saturation

- There has been a large amount of work devoted to the description and understanding of QCD in the high energy limit corresponding to the *saturation*
  - Theory: non-linear QCD equations describing the evolution of scattering amplitudes towards saturation - AGL, BK and JIMWLK equations
  - Phenomenology: discovery of *geometric scaling* in DIS at HERA
  
- The Balitsky-Kovchegov (BK) nonlinear equation describes the evolution in rapidity of the scattering amplitude of a dipole off a given target
  - This equation has been shown to lie in the same universality class as the *Fisher-Kolmogorov-Petrovsky-Piscounov* (FKPP) equation
  
- Geometric scaling has a natural explanation in terms of the so-called *traveling wave solutions* of BK equation
  
- The evolution at intermediate energies is well understood and is described by the linear BFKL equation
  
- The deep saturation regime can also be evaluated in some models, but the *transition* between these two regimes is still a challenge

# Geometric Scaling

- **Geometric scaling** is a phenomenological feature of high energy deep inelastic scattering (DIS) which has been observed in the HERA data on inclusive  $\gamma^* - p$  scattering, which is expressed as a scaling property of the virtual photon-proton cross section



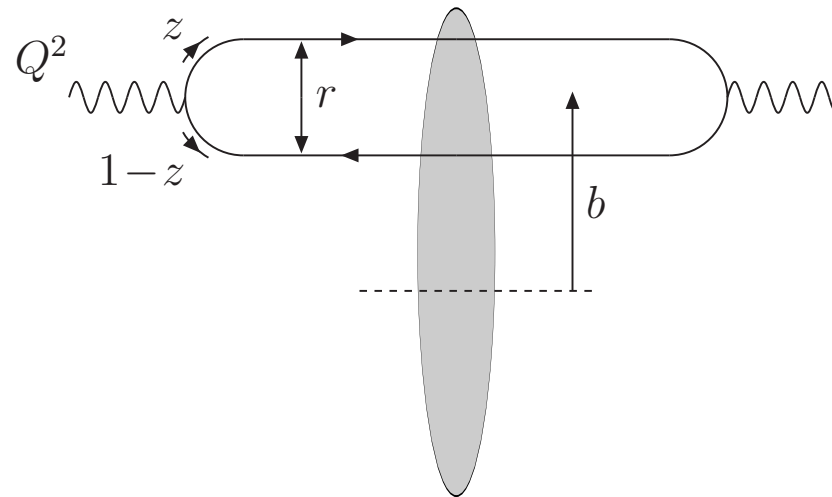
$$\sigma^{\gamma^* p}(Y, Q) = \sigma^{\gamma^* p}(\tau), \quad \tau = \frac{Q^2}{Q_s^2(Y)}$$

where  $Q$  is the virtuality of the photon,  
 $Y = \log 1/x$  is the total rapidity and  
 $Q_s(Y)$  is an increasing function of  $Y$   
 called **saturation scale**

[Stasto, Golec Biernat and Kwiecinsky, 2001]

# $\sigma^{\gamma^* p}$ cross section

- Consider the collision between a virtual photon and a proton at high energy; in a frame where the proton carries most of the total energy one can consider that the photon fluctuates into a  $q\bar{q}$  pair



- The cross section

$$\sigma_{T,L}^{\gamma^* p}(Y, Q) = \int d^2 r \int_0^1 dz |\Psi_{T,L}(r, z; Q^2)|^2 \sigma_{dip}^{\gamma^* p}(r, Y), \quad (1)$$

$\sigma_{dip}^{\gamma^* p}(Y, r)$  is the dipole-proton cross section,  $z$  is the fraction of photon's momentum carried by the quark,  $r$  is the size of the dipole and  $b$  is the impact parameter

# Dipole-proton cross section

- The transverse and longitudinal photon wavefunctions

$$|\Psi_T(r, z; Q^2)|^2 = \frac{2N_c\alpha_{em}}{4\pi^2} \sum_q e_q^2 \{ [z^2 + (1-z)^2] \bar{Q}_q^2 K_1^2(\bar{Q}_q r) + m_q^2 K_0^2(\bar{Q}_q r) \} \quad (2)$$

and

$$|\Psi_L(r, z; Q^2)|^2 = \frac{2N_c\alpha_{em}}{4\pi^2} \sum_q e_q^2 \{ 4Q^2 z^2 (1-z)^2 K_0^2(\bar{Q}_q r) \} \quad (3)$$

where  $\bar{Q}_q = z(1-z)Q^2 + m_q^2$ ,  $m_q$  the light quark mass and  $K_{0,1}$  are the Mc Donald functions of rank zero and one, respectively

- If one treats the proton as an homogeneous disk of radius  $R_p$ , one can write the dipole-proton cross section in terms of the dipole-proton forward scattering amplitude  $T(r, Y)$

$$\sigma_{dip}^{\gamma^* p}(r, Y) = 2\pi R_p^2 T(r, Y)$$



# $F_2$ structure function (I)

- The proton structure function  $F_2$  can be obtained from the  $\gamma^*p$  cross section through the relation

$$\begin{aligned} F_2(x, Q^2) &= \frac{Q^2}{4\pi^2\alpha_{em}} \left[ \sigma_T^{\gamma^*p}(x, Q^2) + \sigma_L^{\gamma^*p}(x, Q^2) \right] \\ &= \frac{Q^2}{4\pi^2\alpha_{em}} \sigma^{\gamma^*p}(x, Q^2) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

- It is possible to express the  $\gamma^*p$  cross section in terms of the scattering amplitude in momentum space,  $\tilde{T}(k, Y)$ , through the Fourier transform

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{T}(k, Y) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \frac{d^2r}{r^2} e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} T(r, Y) \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{dr}{r} J_0(kr) T(r, Y) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

# $F_2$ structure function (II)

- After a bit of algebra one obtains

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = \frac{Q^2 R_p^2 N_c}{4\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{dk}{k} \int_0^1 dz |\tilde{\Psi}(k, z; Q^2)|^2 \tilde{T}(k, Y) \quad (6)$$

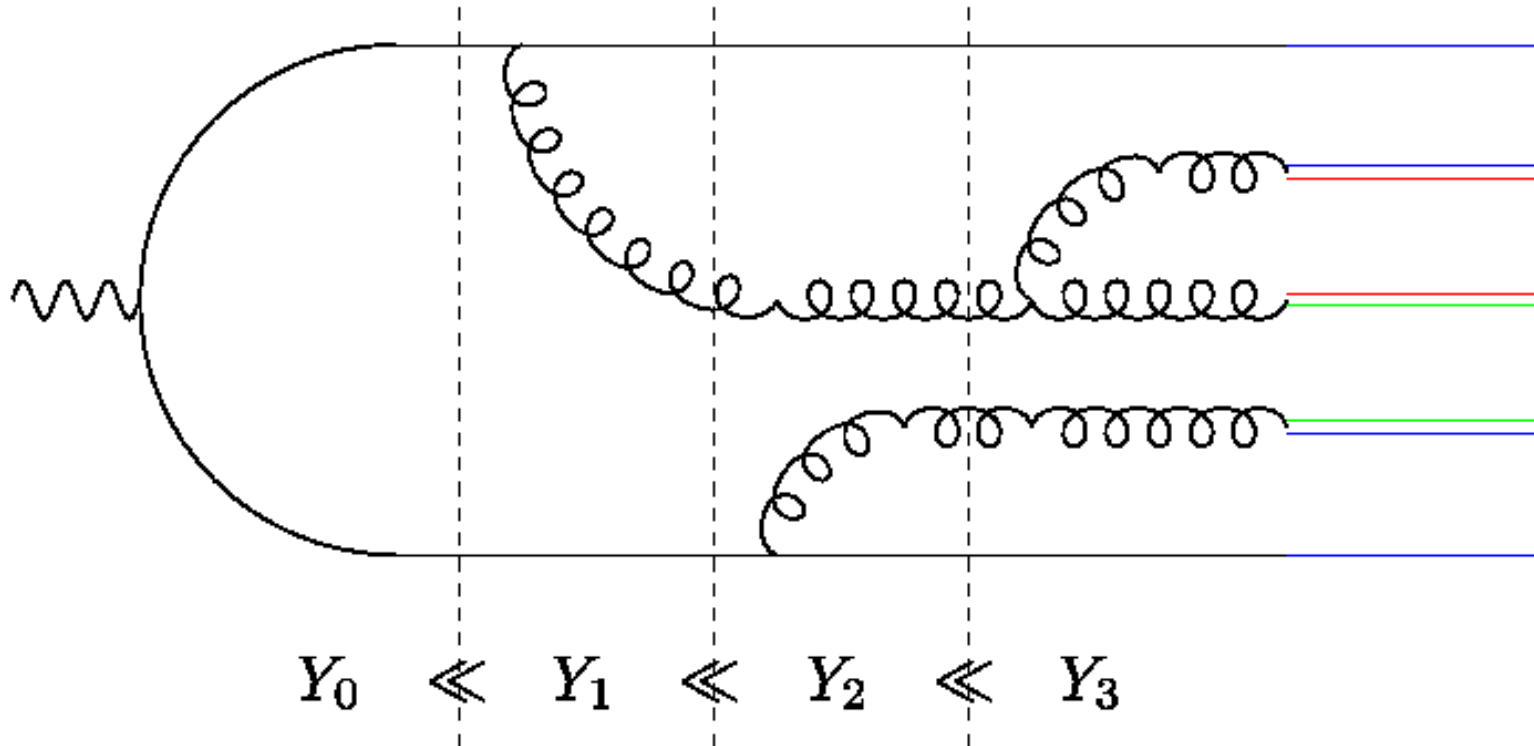
- The wavefunction is now expressed in momentum space

$$|\tilde{\Psi}(k^2, z; Q^2)|^2 = \sum_q \left( \frac{4\bar{Q}_q^2}{k^2 + 4\bar{Q}_q^2} \right)^2 e_q^2 \left\{ [z^2 + (1-z)^2] \left[ \frac{4(k^2 + \bar{Q}_q^2)}{\sqrt{k^2(k^2 + 4\bar{Q}_q^2)}} \operatorname{arcsinh} \left( \frac{k}{2\bar{Q}_q} \right) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + \frac{k^2 - 2\bar{Q}_q^2}{2\bar{Q}_q^2} \right] + \frac{4Q^2 z^2 (1-z)^2 + m_q^2}{\bar{Q}_q^2} \left[ \frac{k^2 + \bar{Q}_q^2}{\bar{Q}_q^2} - \frac{4\bar{Q}_q^4 + 2\bar{Q}_q^2 k^2 + k^4}{\bar{Q}_q^2 \sqrt{k^2(k^2 + 4\bar{Q}_q^2)}} \operatorname{arcsinh} \left( \frac{k}{2\bar{Q}_q} \right) \right] \right\}$$

- The amplitude  $\tilde{T}(k, Y)$ , as we shall see, obeys the Balitsky-Kovchegov equation in momentum space, where the asymptotic behaviour of its solutions is naturally expressed

# Dipole evolution

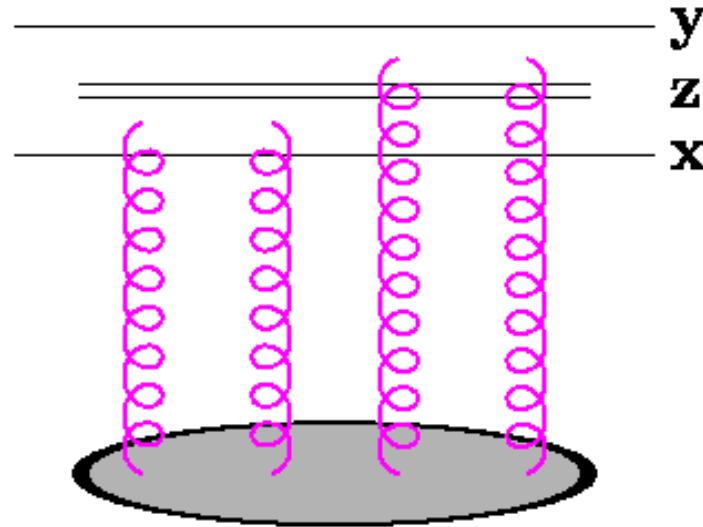
- Consider a fast-moving  $q\bar{q}$



- In the large  $N_c$  limit the gluons emitted can be replaced by quark-anti-quark pairs, which interact with the target via two gluon exchanges

# Balitsky-Kovchegov equation

Multiple scattering



- In the evolution of the scattering amplitude, the multiple scattering appears as a term proportional to  $T^2$  ( $\bar{\alpha} = \alpha_s N_c / \pi$ )

$$\partial_Y T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, Y) = \bar{\alpha} \int d^2 \mathbf{z} \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^2}{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z})^2 (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y})^2} [T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}, Y) + T(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}, Y) - T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, Y) - T(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}, Y)T(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}, Y)] \quad (7)$$

- This is the **Balitsky-Kovchegov** (BK) equation in coordinate space

# BK equation in momentum space

- If one neglects the dependence on the impact parameter  $\mathbf{b} = (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y})/2$  and integrates out the remaining angular dependence of  $\mathbf{r}$ , the BK equation becomes an equation for  $T(r, Y)$

- After performing the Fourier transform the equation can be expressed in momentum space

$$\partial_Y \tilde{T} = \bar{\alpha} \chi(-\partial_L) \tilde{T} - \bar{\alpha} \tilde{T}^2 \quad (8)$$

where

$$\chi(\gamma) = 2\psi(1) - \psi(\gamma) - \psi(1 - \gamma) \quad (9)$$

is the characteristic function of the [Balitsky-Fadin-Kuraev-Lipatov](#) (BFKL) kernel and  $L = \log(k^2/k_0^2)$ , with  $k_0$  some fixed soft scale.

- The kernel  $\chi$  is an integro-differential operator which may be defined with the help of the formal series expansion

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(-\partial_L) &= \chi(\gamma_0) \mathbf{1} + \chi'(\gamma_0) (-\partial_L - \gamma_0 \mathbf{1}) + \frac{1}{2} \chi''(\gamma_0) (-\partial_L - \gamma_0 \mathbf{1})^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{6} \chi^{(3)}(\gamma_0) (-\partial_L - \gamma_0 \mathbf{1})^3 + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

for some  $\gamma_0$  between 0 and 1

# BK and FKPP equations

- It has been shown [Munier and Peshcanski, 03] that, after the change of variables

$$t \sim \bar{\alpha}Y, \quad x \sim \log(k^2/k_0^2), \quad u \sim \tilde{T} \quad (11)$$

BK equation reduces to Fisher and Kolmogorov-Petrovsky-Piscounov (FKPP) equation, when its kernel is approximated by the first three terms of the expansion, the so-called **diffusive approximation**

$$\chi(-\partial_L) \approx \chi(\gamma_c)\mathbf{1} + \chi'(\gamma_c)(-\partial_L - \gamma_c\mathbf{1}) + \frac{1}{2}\chi''(\gamma_c)(-\partial_L - \gamma_c\mathbf{1})^2, \quad (12)$$

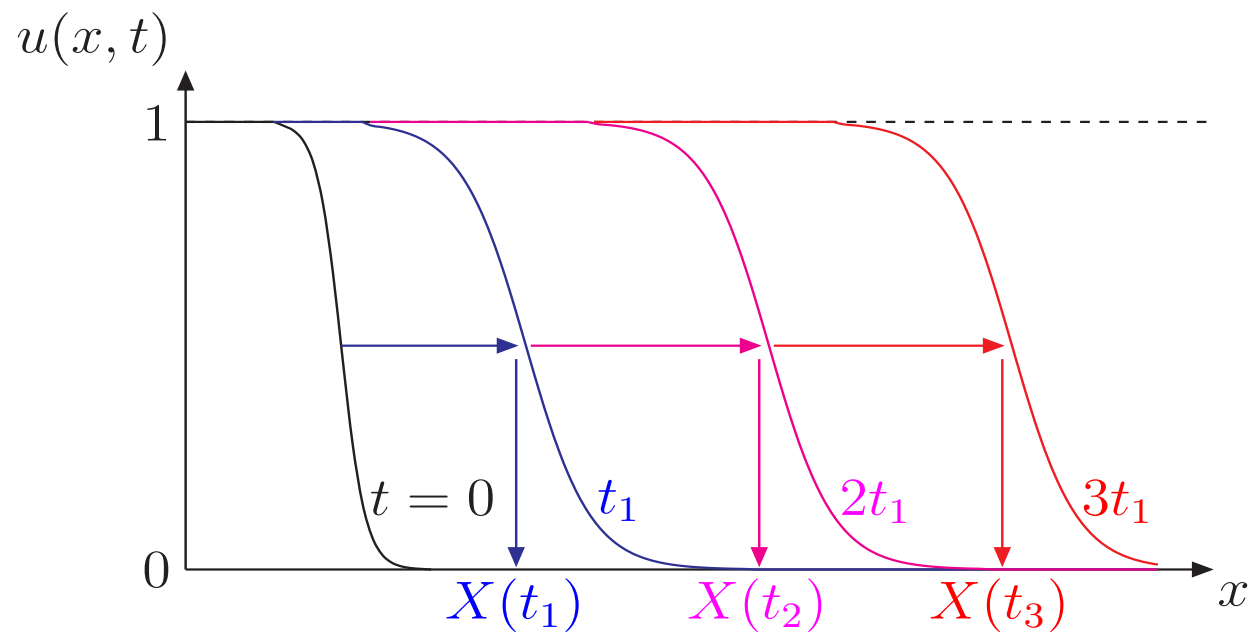
- The FKPP equation is a known equation in non-equilibrium statistical physics, whose dynamics is called **reaction-diffusion dynamics**,

$$\partial_t u(x, t) = \partial_x^2 u(x, t) + u - u^2, \quad (13)$$

where  $t$  is time and  $x$  is the coordinate.

# Traveling wave solutions

- The FKPP evolution equation admits the so-called **traveling wave solutions**
  - For a traveling wave solution one can define the position of a wave front  $x(t) = v_c(t)t$ , irrespective of the details of the nonlinear effects
  - At large times, the shape of a traveling wave is preserved during its propagation, and the solution becomes only a function of the scaling variable  $x - v_c t$



# Traveling waves and saturation

- In the language of saturation physics the position of the wave front is nothing but the saturation scale

$$x(t) \sim \ln Q_s^2(Y)$$

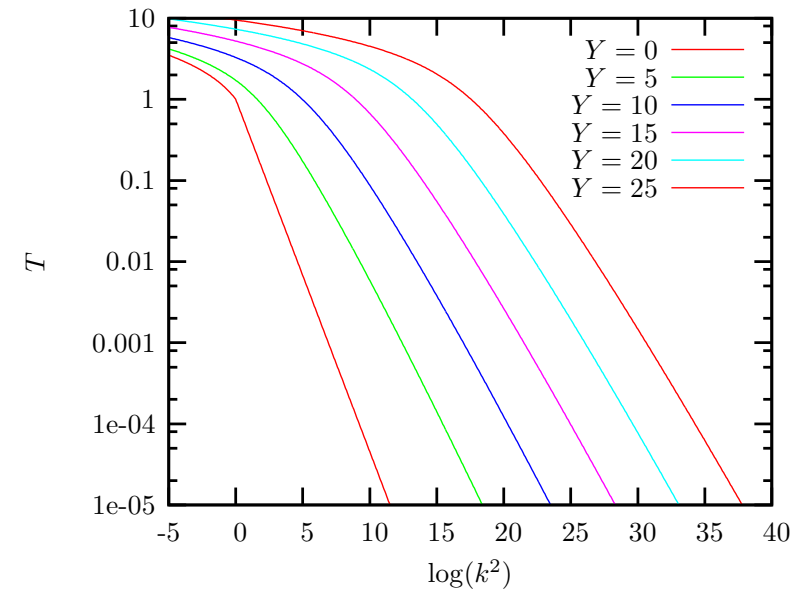
and the scaling corresponds to the **geometric scaling**

$$x - x(t) \sim \ln k^2 / Q_s^2(Y)$$

- Summarizing:

Time $t$	→	$Y$	
Space $x$	→	$L$	
Wave front $u(x - v_c t)$	→	$\tilde{T}(L - \lambda Y)$	
Traveling Waves	→	Geometric Scaling	(14)

Numerical solution to BK equation





# Behaviour at $k \gg Q_s$

- This property of the FKPP equation is actually true if one considers the BK equation with the **full BFKL kernel**
- At asymptotic rapidities, the amplitude  $\tilde{T}(k, Y)$ , instead of depending separately on  $k$  and  $Y$ , depends only on the scaling variable  $k^2/Q_s^2(Y)$ , where we have introduced the **saturation scale**  $Q_s^2(Y) = k_0^2 \exp(\lambda Y)$ , measuring the **position of the wavefront**
- A more detailed calculation allows also for the extraction of two additional subleading corrections, resulting into the following expression for the **tail of the scattering amplitude**

$$\tilde{T}(k, Y) \stackrel{k \gg Q_s}{\approx} \left( \frac{k^2}{Q_s^2(Y)} \right)^{-\gamma_c} \log \left( \frac{k^2}{Q_s^2(Y)} \right) \exp \left[ -\frac{\log^2(k^2/Q_s^2(Y))}{2\bar{\alpha}\chi''(\gamma_c)Y} \right] \quad (15)$$

where the saturation scale

$$Q_s^2(Y) = k_0^2 \exp \left( \lambda Y - \frac{3}{2\gamma_c} \log(Y) - \frac{3}{\gamma_c^2} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\bar{\alpha}\chi''(\gamma_c)}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{Y}} \right) \quad (16)$$

# Critical parameters

- The critical parameters  $\gamma_c$  and  $\lambda$  are obtained from the knowledge of the BFKL kernel alone and correspond to the selection of the slowest possible wave:

$$\lambda = \min_{\gamma} \bar{\alpha} \frac{\chi(\gamma)}{\gamma} = \bar{\alpha} \frac{\chi(\gamma_c)}{\gamma_c} = \bar{\alpha} \chi'(\gamma_c)$$

- For the leading-order BFKL kernel, one finds  $\gamma_c = 0.6275\dots$ , and  $\lambda = 4.88\bar{\alpha}$
- The geometric scaling expresses the fact that when one moves along the saturation line, the behaviour of the scattering amplitudes remains unchanged
- The last term in the expression for the tail introduces an explicit dependence on the rapidity  $Y$  and hence **violates** geometric scaling. However, this term can be neglected when

$$\frac{\log^2 (k^2/Q_s^2(Y))}{2\bar{\alpha}\chi''(\gamma_c)Y} < 1$$

This means that geometric scaling is obtained for

$$\log (k^2/Q_s^2(Y)) \lesssim \sqrt{2\chi''(\gamma_c)\bar{\alpha}Y}$$

# Dipole scattering amplitude

- In order to complete the description, we also need expressions for  $\tilde{T}$  around the saturation scale and at saturation
- In the **infrared domain**, one can show that the amplitude behaves like

$$\tilde{T} \left( \frac{k}{Q_s(Y)}, Y \right) \stackrel{k \ll Q_s}{\approx} c - \log \left( \frac{k}{Q_s(Y)} \right) \quad (17)$$

where  $c$  is an unfixed constant

- We are now left with the matching around the saturation scale
  - The easiest way is to use the expression for the tail given previously for  $k > Q_s$  and the above expression for  $k < Q_s$  and match the constant  $c$  to obtain a continuous distribution
- The problem with this definition by parts is that it may introduce oscillations in the coordinate space amplitude  $T(r, Y)$  which may even lead to negative amplitudes
- Then the best way to obtain the description of the transition to the saturation region is to perform an **analytic interpolation** between both asymptotic behaviours.

# The model

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- Our starting point to describe the transition to saturation is an expression which is monotonically decreasing with  $L$  and which reproduces (up to the logarithmic factor), the amplitude for geometric scaling (tail)

$$T_{\text{dil}} = \exp \left[ -\gamma_c \log \left( \frac{k^2}{Q_s^2(Y)} \right) - \frac{L_{\text{red}}^2 - \log^2(2)}{2\bar{\alpha}\chi''(\gamma_c)Y} \right] \quad (18)$$

with

$$L_{\text{red}} = \log \left[ 1 + \frac{k^2}{Q_s^2(Y)} \right] \quad \text{and} \quad Q_s^2(Y) = k_0^2 e^{\lambda Y} \quad (19)$$

- This result is unitarised by an eikonal,  $T_{\text{unit}} = 1 - \exp(-T_{\text{dil}})$  and we obtain that the following choice gives good results:

$$T(k, Y) = \left[ \log \left( \frac{k}{Q_s} + \frac{Q_s}{k} \right) + 1 \right] \left( 1 - e^{-T_{\text{dil}}} \right) \quad (20)$$

- The equations above determine our model for the scattering amplitude, to be inserted into the expression for the  $F_2$  structure function

# Dataset

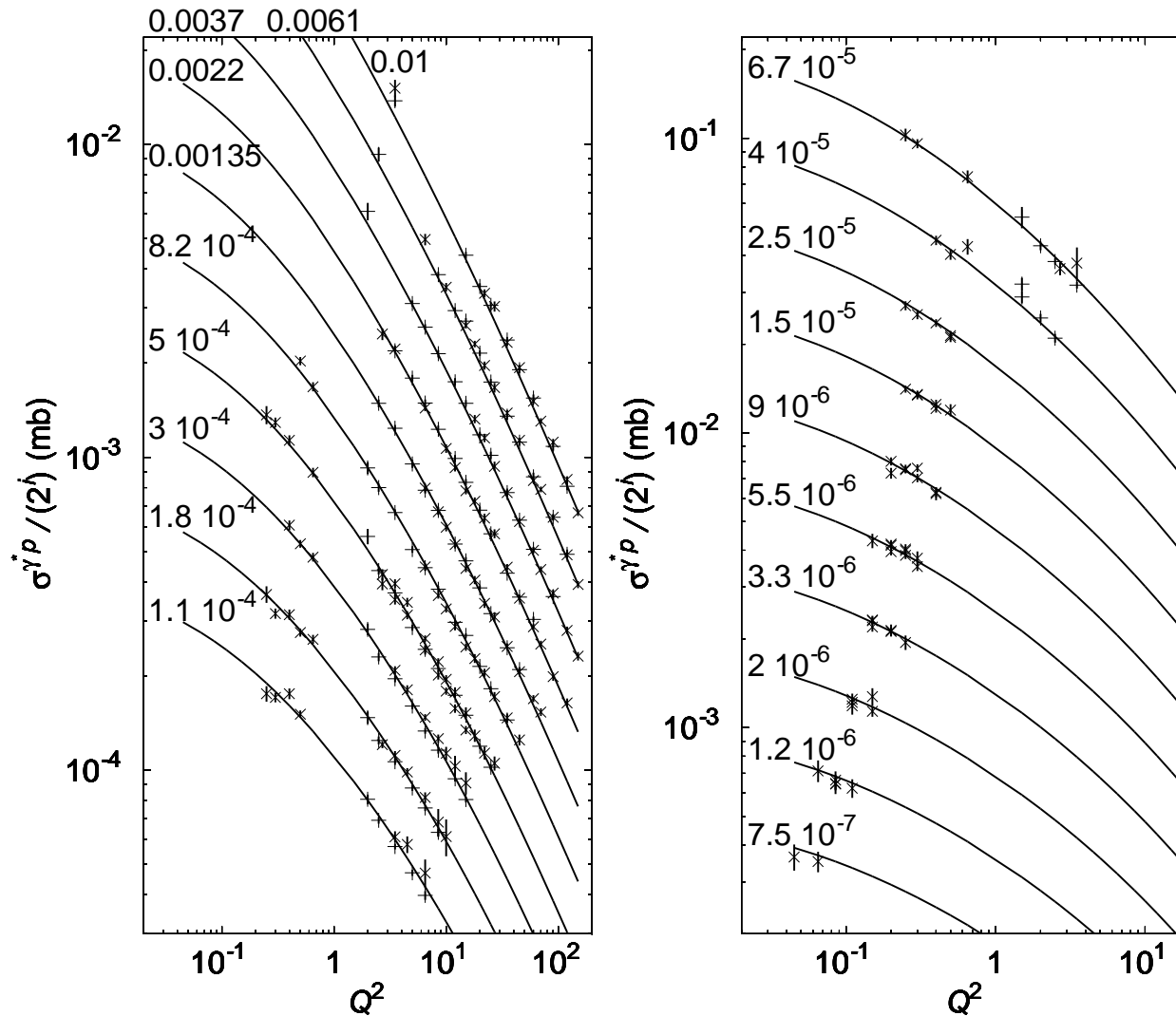
- We fit all the last HERA measurements of the proton structure function from H1 and ZEUS
- Our analysis is restricted to the following kinematic range:

$$\begin{cases} x \leq 0.01, \\ 0.045 \leq Q^2 \leq 150 \text{ GeV}^2 \end{cases}$$

- The **first limit** comes from the fact that our approach is meant to describe the high-energy amplitudes *i.e.* the **small  $x$  behaviour**
- The **second cut** prevents to reach too high values of  $Q^2$  for which DGLAP corrections need to be included properly
- Total amount of data points: **279**; we have allowed for a 5% renormalisation uncertainty on the H1 data
- We have kept  $\gamma_c = 0.6275$  and  $\bar{\alpha} = 0.2$  fixed assumed different situations for the **quarks masses**: the light-quarks mass  $m_q$  has been set to 50 or 140 MeV while we have used  $m_c = m_q$  or  $m_c = 1.3 \text{ GeV}$  for the **charm mass**
- $\lambda$ ,  $\chi_c''$ ,  $k_0^2$  and  $R_p$  are free parameters

# Results (I): $\sigma^{\gamma^* p}$ cross section

$m_q = 50 \text{ MeV}$  and  $m_c = 1.3 \text{ GeV}$



H1 [EPJC 21, 2002] and ZEUS [EPJC 12, 2000; EPJC 21, 2001]

# Results (II): Parameters

- The parameters obtained from the fit to the experimental data for  $F_2^P$ :

Masses	$k_0^2$ ( $10^{-3}$ GeV <sup>2</sup> )	$\lambda$	$\chi_c''$	$R_p$ (GeV <sup>-1</sup> )
$m_q = 50$ MeV, $m_c = 50$ MeV	$3.782 \pm 0.293$	$0.213 \pm 0.004$	$4.691 \pm 0.221$	$2.770 \pm 0.045$
$m_q = 50$ MeV, $m_c = 1.3$ GeV	$7.155 \pm 0.624$	$0.193 \pm 0.003$	$2.196 \pm 0.161$	$3.215 \pm 0.065$
$m_q = 140$ MeV, $m_c = 1.3$ GeV	$3.917 \pm 0.577$	$0.161 \pm 0.005$	$2.960 \pm 0.279$	$4.142 \pm 0.167$

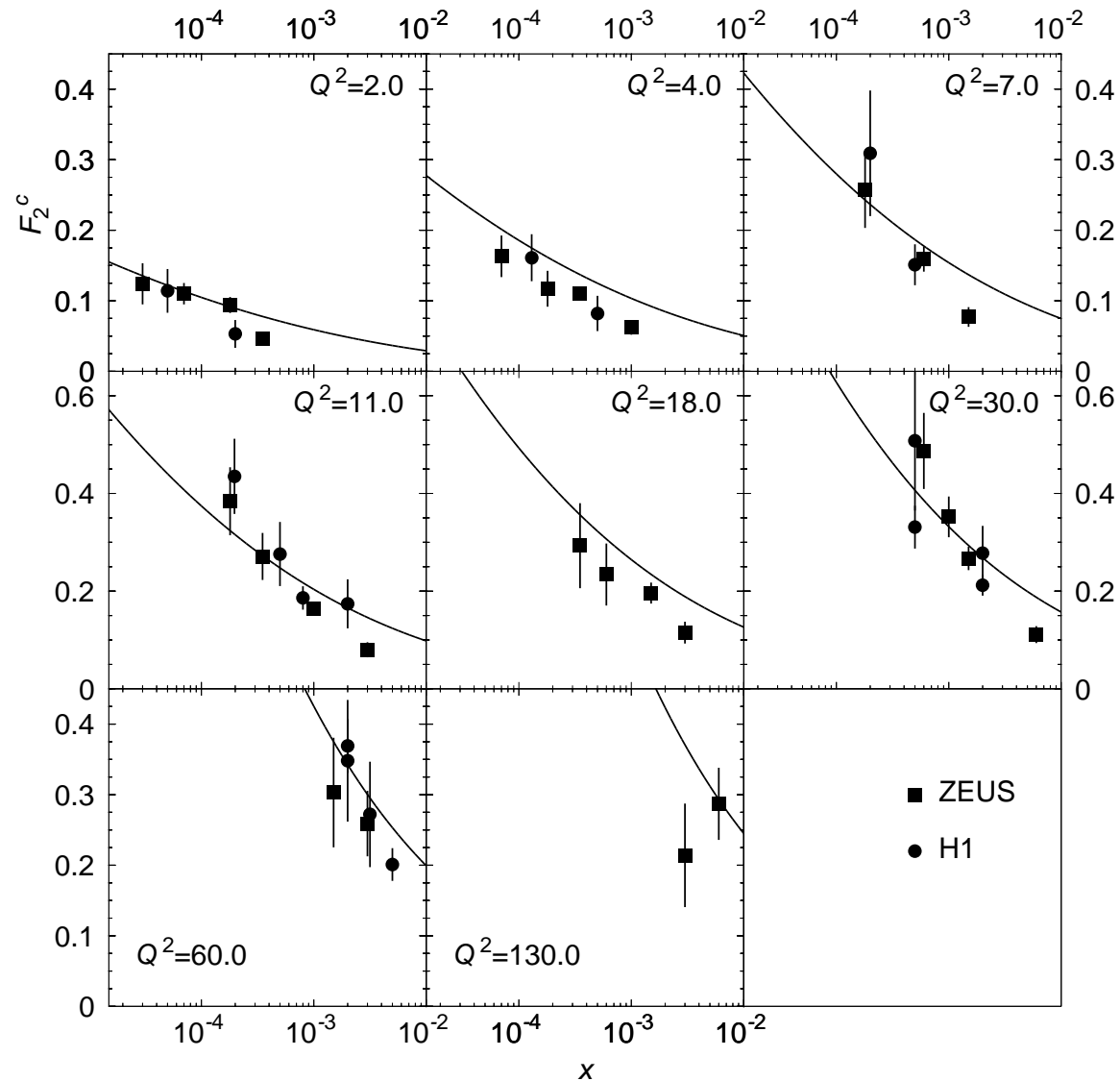
- The  $\chi^2$  per point

Masses	$\chi^2/\text{nop}$
$m_q = 50$ MeV, $m_c = 50$ MeV	0.960
$m_q = 50$ MeV, $m_c = 1.3$ GeV	0.988
$m_q = 140$ MeV, $m_c = 1.3$ GeV	1.071

- Good agreement with the measurements of  $F_2^P$  due to the small  $\chi^2$

# Results (III): prediction for $F_2^c$

$m_q = 50 \text{ MeV}$  and  $m_c = 1.3 \text{ GeV}$



H1 [PLB 528, 2002; EPJC 45, 2006] and ZEUS [PRD 69, 2004]



# Analysis: previous models

- It is interesting to compare our results with those from previous approaches, namely
  - GBW model [Golec-Biernat and Wüsthoff, 1999]
  - IIM model or CGC fit [Iancu, Itakura and Munier, 2004]
  - recent developments concerning the Bartels-Golec-Biernat-Kowalski (BGK) model [Golec-Biernat and Sapeta, 2006]

Parametrization	Quark masses	nop	$\chi^2/\text{nop}$
GBW	$m_q = 140 \text{ MeV}, m_c = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$	372	1.5
IIM	$m_q = 140 \text{ MeV}, \text{no charm}$	156	0.81
BGK	$m_q = 0 \text{ MeV}, m_c = 1.3 \text{ GeV}$	288	1.06
This work	$m_q = 50 \text{ MeV}, m_c = 1.3 \text{ GeV}$	279	0.988

- These three models were developed in **coordinate space** and not in momentum space
- Our choice is directly motivated by the analysis of the BK equation in momentum space leading to **universal asymptotic results** on which we heavily rely

# Analysis: conclusions

- Our model can be differentiated from the previous ones at two levels:
  - The analysis is based on the BK equation to account for unitarity effects. Thus, we expect it to be more precise, especially in the **small- $x$  and low  $Q^2$**  domain under study
  - We improved the IIM model by including massive charm
- Moreover, in the case of **GBW model**, one obtains a Fourier transform of the dipole cross section which presents an **unrealistic perturbative behaviour**, in the case of **IIM** it presents **non-positive values** [Betemps and Gay Ducati, 2004]
- These problems are tamed in our model, where the **inverse Fourier transform** (scattering amplitude in coordinate space) remains **between 0 and 1**
- We then conclude that the dipole scattering amplitude proposed in this work should be a good parametrization to investigate the properties of the **observables at RHIC and LHC energies**, considering the dipole:  $R_{pA}$  and **fluctuations**
- Further studies to see if one can get further analytic insight directly from the BK equation

# Improved IIM model

- In the original paper, the fit to HERA data did not include heavy quark contributions
- In this way, this model has been recently improved [Soyez, 2007]
- The model

$$T(r; Y) = \begin{cases} T_0 \exp \left[ -\gamma_c(\rho - \rho_s) - \frac{(\rho - \rho_s)^2}{2\kappa\lambda Y} \right] & \text{if } rQ_s \leq 2, \\ 1 - \exp \left[ -a(\rho - \rho_s - b)^2 \right] & \text{if } rQ_s > 2, \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

where the parameters  $a$  and  $b$  are fixed so as to ensure that  $T$  and its derivative are continuous at  $rQ_s = 2$

- Here,  $\bar{\alpha}\chi_c'' = (\chi_c''/\chi_c')\lambda Y = \kappa\lambda Y$  with  $\kappa = \chi_c''/\chi_c'$
- Parameters:
  - The saturation scale  $Q_s^2(Y) = \left(\frac{x_0}{x}\right)^\lambda \text{ GeV}^2$
  - $x_0$  free,  $R_p$  free,  $T_0 = 0.7$  fixed
  - $\lambda$  free: LO BFKL predicts  $\lambda = \bar{\alpha}\chi_c' \approx 0.9$  and NLO BFKL analysis gives  $\lambda \sim 0.3$  [Triantafyllopoulos, 2003]
  - The value of  $\kappa$  set from the LO BFKL kernel which gives  $\kappa \approx 9.9$  [Triantafyllopoulos, 2003]

# The critical slope

- The value of the critical slope  $\gamma_c$  is a **fundamental issue**
  - In the original work, where only the light quarks were considered, the authors have fixed it to the value obtained from the LO BFKL kernel ( $\gamma_c \approx 0.6275$ )
  - When including the heavy quarks, keeping that value leads to a dramatic decrease of the saturation momentum together as well as to a poor  $\chi^2$  for the fit
  - Allowing that parameter to vary, one recovers a similar saturation scale and a good fit
  - In addition, the value for  $\gamma_c$  coming out of the fit is rather close to what one expects from NLO BFKL ( $\gamma_c \gtrsim 0.7$ )

		$\gamma_c$	$\lambda$	$x_0 (10^{-4})$	$R_p (\text{GeV}^{-1})$	$\chi^2/\text{n.o.p.}$
light quarks only	(ZEUS only)	0.6275	0.253	0.267	3.25	-
	$\gamma_c$ fixed	0.6275	$0.2574 \pm 0.0037$	$0.2750 \pm 0.0240$	$3.241 \pm 0.018$	0.959
	$\gamma_c$ free	$0.6194 \pm 0.0091$	$0.2545 \pm 0.0051$	$0.2131 \pm 0.0651$	$3.277 \pm 0.044$	0.956
light+heavy quarks	$\gamma_c$ fixed	0.6275	$0.1800 \pm 0.0026$	$0.0028 \pm 0.0003$	$3.819 \pm 0.017$	1.116
	$\gamma_c$ free	<b><math>0.7376 \pm 0.0094</math></b>	<b><math>0.2197 \pm 0.0042</math></b>	<b><math>0.1632 \pm 0.0471</math></b>	<b><math>3.344 \pm 0.041</math></b>	<b>0.900</b>

# The idea is...

- Follow a similar procedure with our model in momentum space

$$T(k, Y) = \left[ \log \left( \frac{k}{Q_s} + \frac{Q_s}{k} \right) + 1 \right] \left( 1 - e^{-T_{\text{dil}}} \right) \quad (22)$$

with

$$T_{\text{dil}} = A \exp \left[ -\gamma_c \log \left( \frac{k^2}{Q_s^2(Y)} \right) - \frac{L_{\text{red}}^2 - \log^2(2)}{2\kappa\lambda Y} \right] \quad (23)$$

and

$$L_{\text{red}} = \log \left[ 1 + \frac{k^2}{Q_s^2(Y)} \right] \quad \text{and} \quad Q_s^2(Y) = k_0^2 e^{\lambda Y} \quad (24)$$

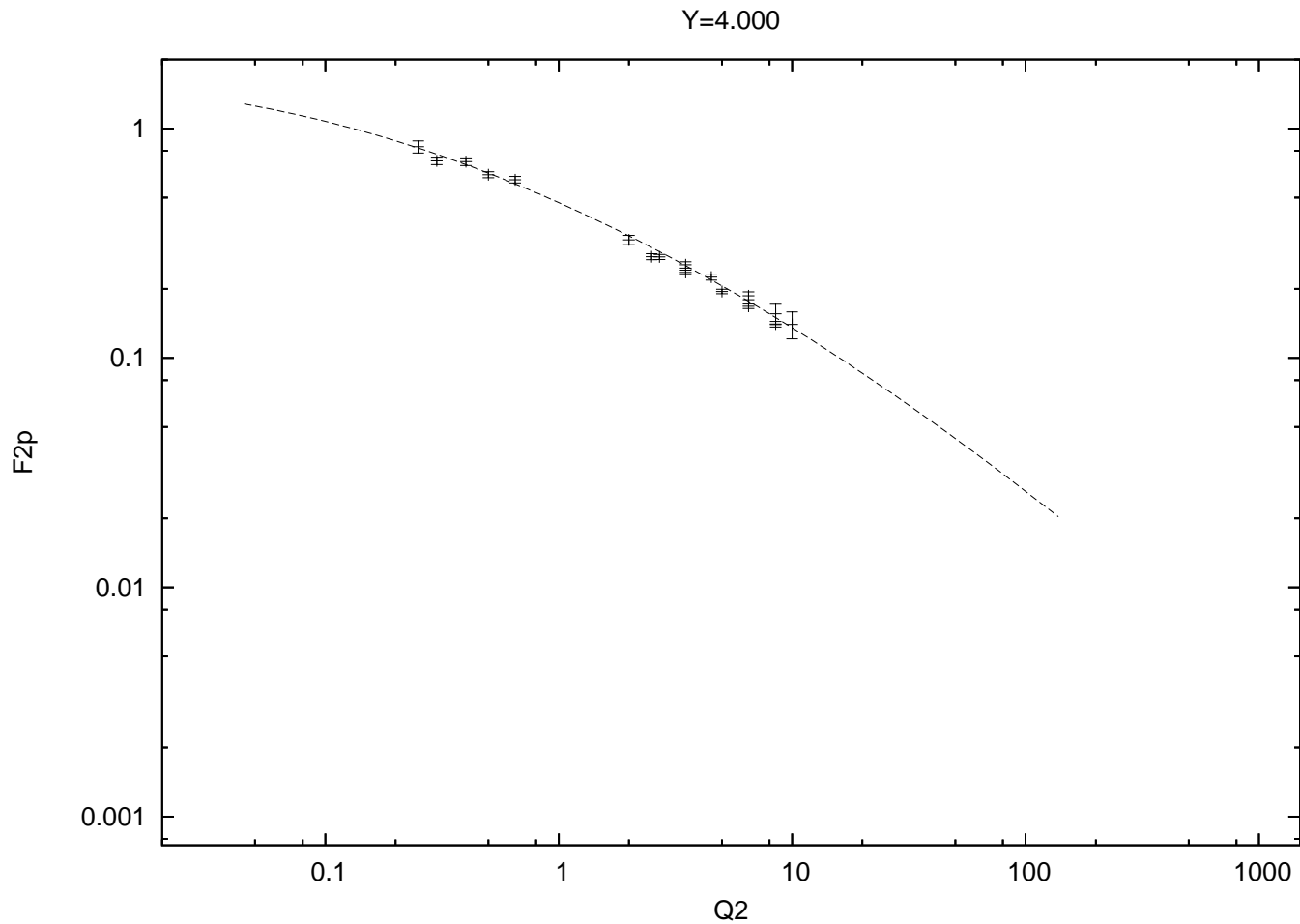
- Include bottom contribution  $m_b = 4.5$  GeV
- Keep  $\kappa$  fixed at its LO (or NLO) value
- Make  $\gamma_c$  freely vary and try to find a value around 0.7, as well as a not so strong decrease in the saturation scale when heavy quarks are included
- Test other (or more general) logarithmic factors



# Some tests...

●  $\gamma_c$  fixed at 0.7

$k_0^2$ ( $10^{-3} \text{ GeV}^2$ )	$\lambda$	$\chi_c''$	$R_p$ ( $\text{GeV}^{-1}$ )	$\chi^2/n.o.p.$
$9.108 \pm 0.063$	$0.213 \pm 0.003$	$1.869 \pm 0.131$	$2.975 \pm 0.045$	1.105



# Modified Bjorken variable

- Basically, this shift accounts for the threshold for heavy-quark production. In order to produce a  $q\bar{q}$  pair (with a quark mass  $m_q$ ), you need

$$W^2 > 4m_q^2 \quad (25)$$

- Since  $x$  is defined as  $(Q^2/(W^2 + Q^2))$  (or,  $W^2 = Q^2(1 - x)/x$ ), the production threshold turns into

$$x \left( 1 + \frac{4m_q^2}{Q^2} \right) < 1 \quad (26)$$

- By using

$$x_{eff} = x \left( 1 + \frac{4m_q^2}{Q^2} \right) \quad (27)$$

the usual kinematical limit  $x_{eff} < 1$  corresponds to the production threshold.



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