



# Duke Physics



## *Jet Quenching: status and open questions*

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# *Produced matter at RHIC strongly coupled*

*Success of ideal hydro  $\Rightarrow$  d.o.f. have a very short mean free path*

*Short mean free paths  $\Rightarrow$  Strong coupling, **Strong interaction***

***Not a weakly interacting plasma of quarks and gluons,***

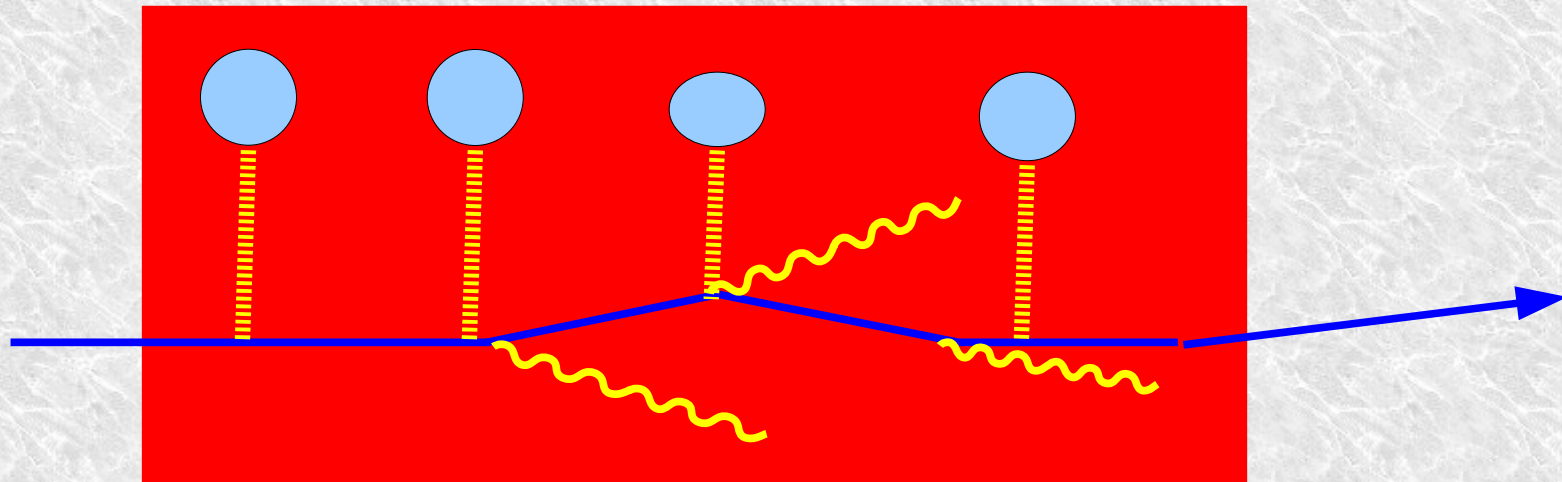
*This is good! QCD matter is not boring, even at  $T=300$  MeV!*

*Bulk analysis from first principles QCD not feasible*

*Can still study systematically using a microscopic probe*

# *The canonical picture, from QED*

*High energy electron (all most on-shell)  
travels long distances in vacuum [PROBE]*



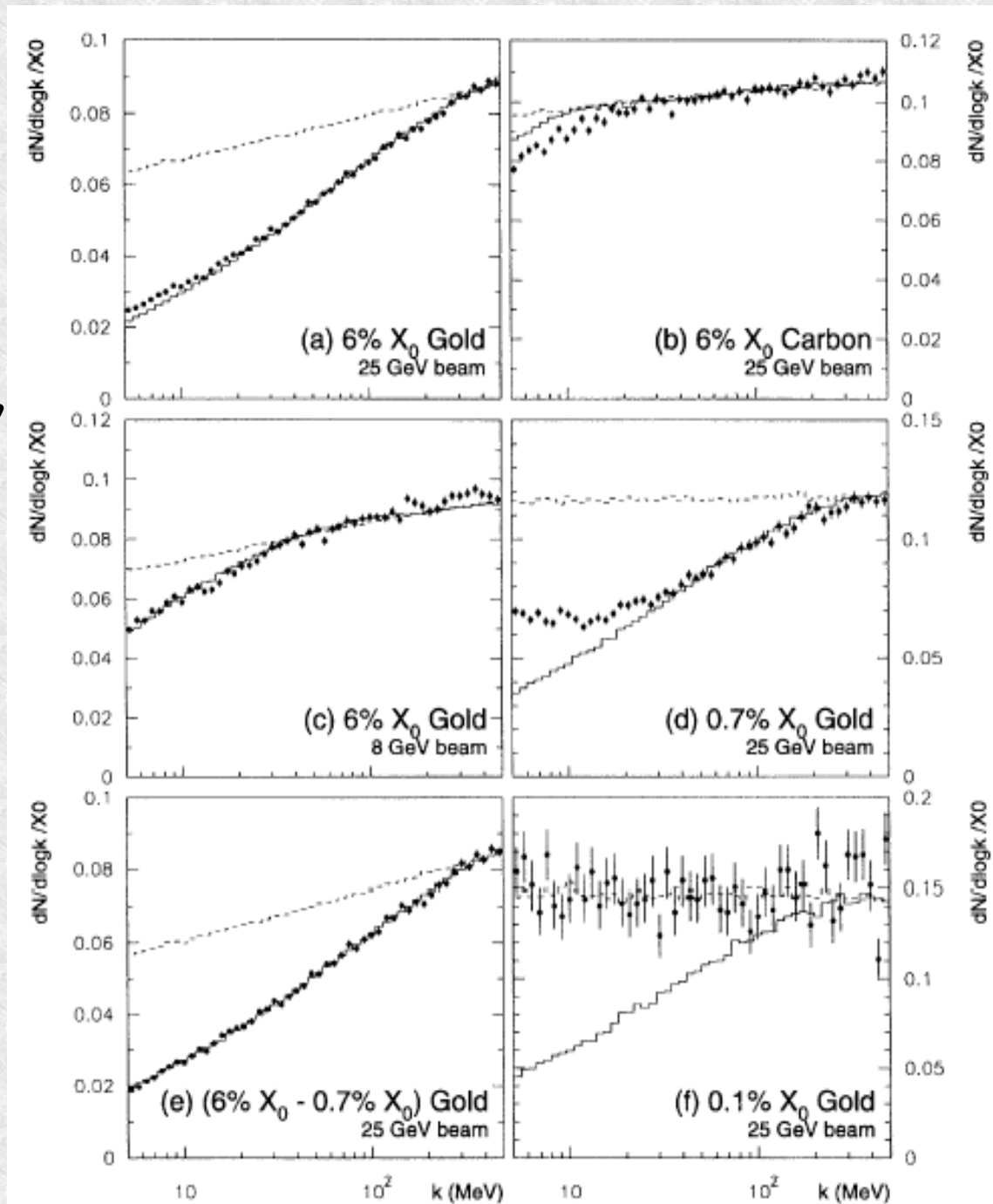
*Large chunks of matter, reasonable understanding of  
internal structure (e.g. well separated atoms) [MEDIUM]*

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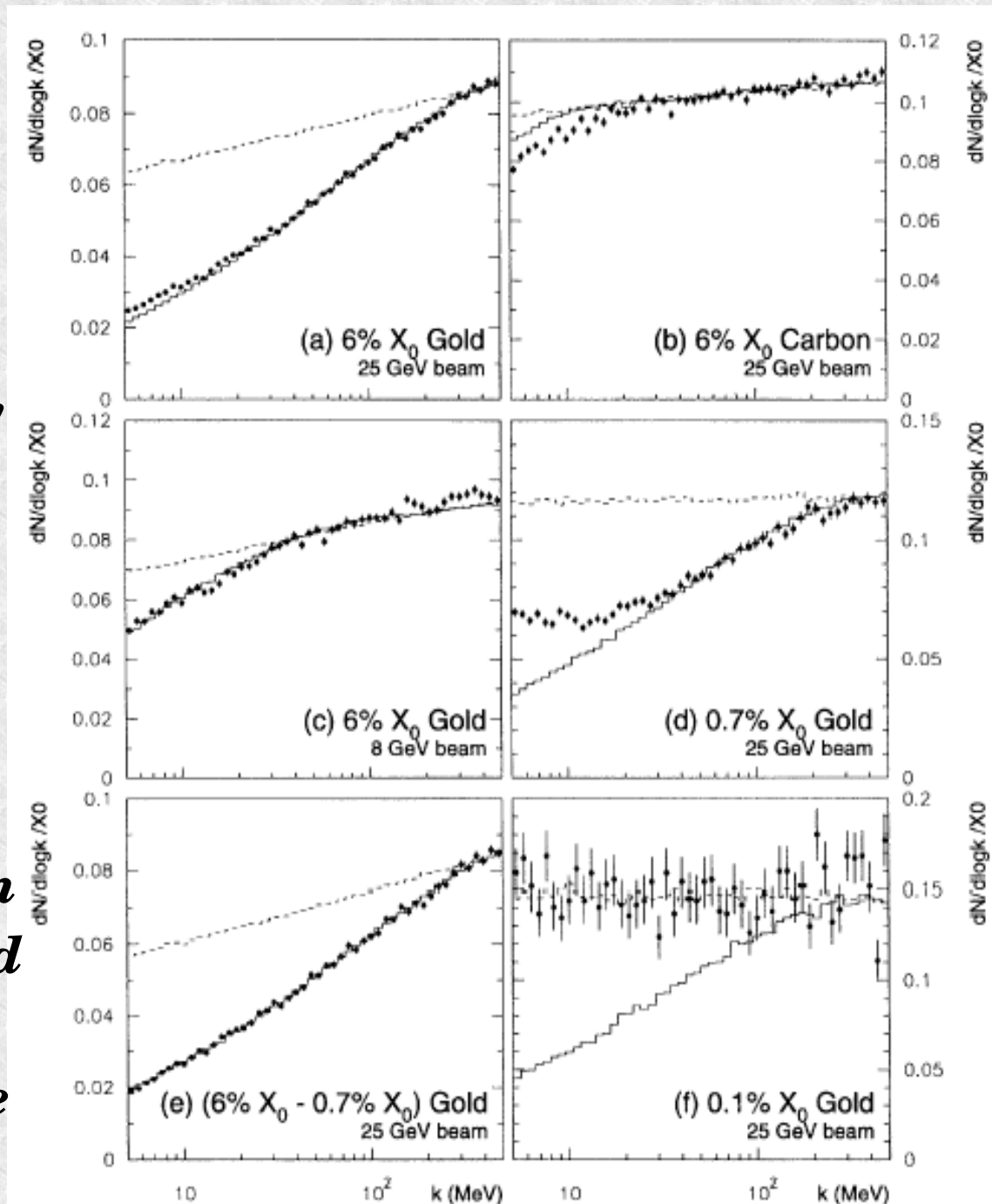
*Answer:*

*The LPM effect in QED!!*

*Probe: stable, well understood  
no issues with production*

*Target: stable, well understood*

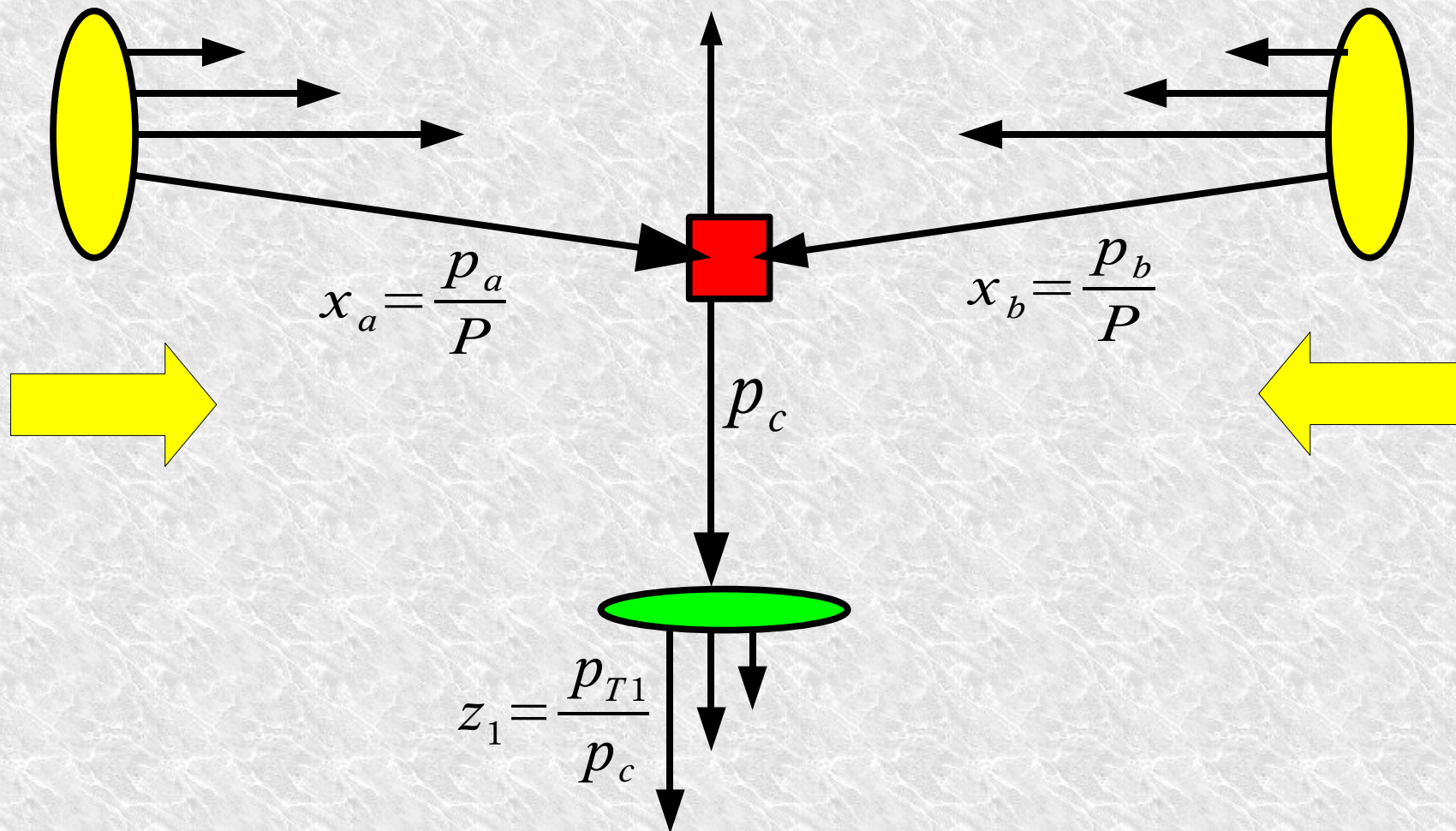
*Theory: pQED, very applicable*



# ***Moving to QCD!!***

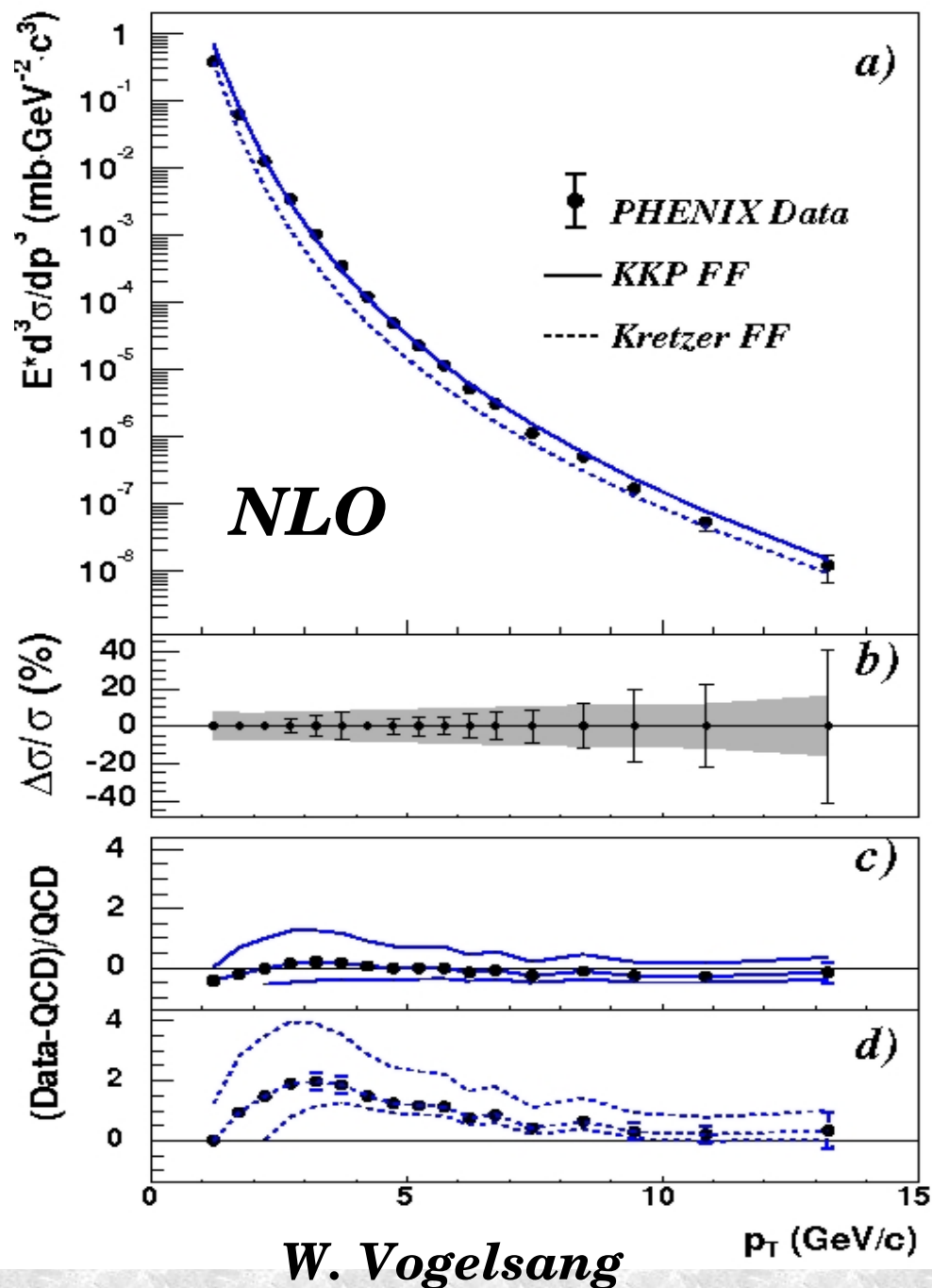
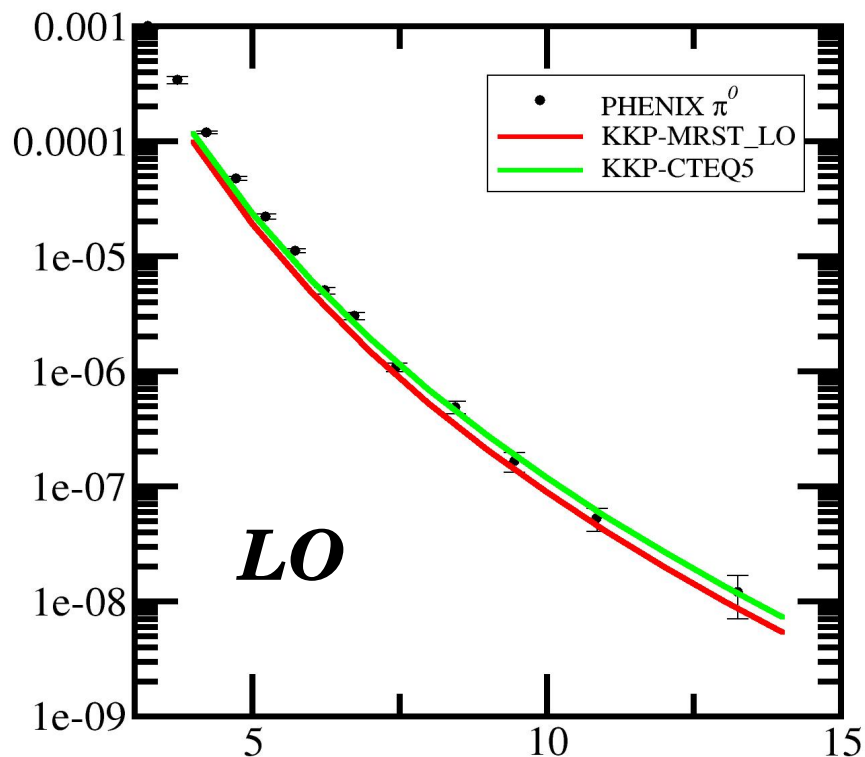
- 1) Understanding of probe/ probe production and control ??*
- 2) Stability of probe/ propagation in vacuum ??*
- 3) Modeling of medium ?????*
- 4) Probe medium interaction ?????*
- 5) What can we learn/ generalized properties of medium ?????*
- 6) Control experiment !!!*
- 7) Range of applicability of theory !!*

# *Probe in vacuum, factorization!*



$$\frac{d\sigma^{h_1}}{dy dp_{T_1}} \sim \int dx_a dx_b \quad G(x_a) \quad G(x_b) \quad \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{d\hat{t}} \quad D_q^{h_1}(z_1)$$

# Comparing with experiment

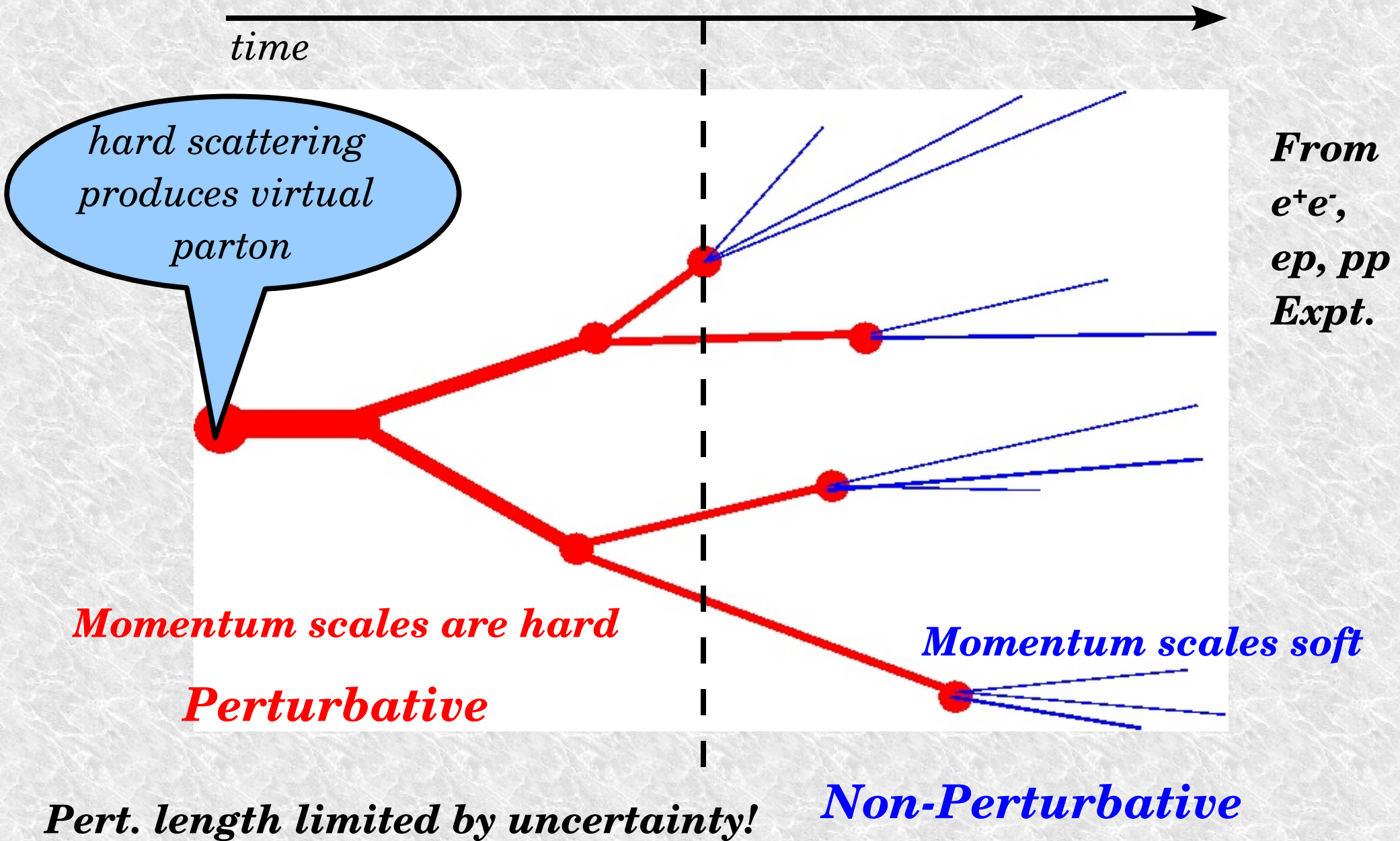


*pion cross-section in  $p$ - $p$*

*Agreement with  $p$ QCD over  
nine orders of magnitude*



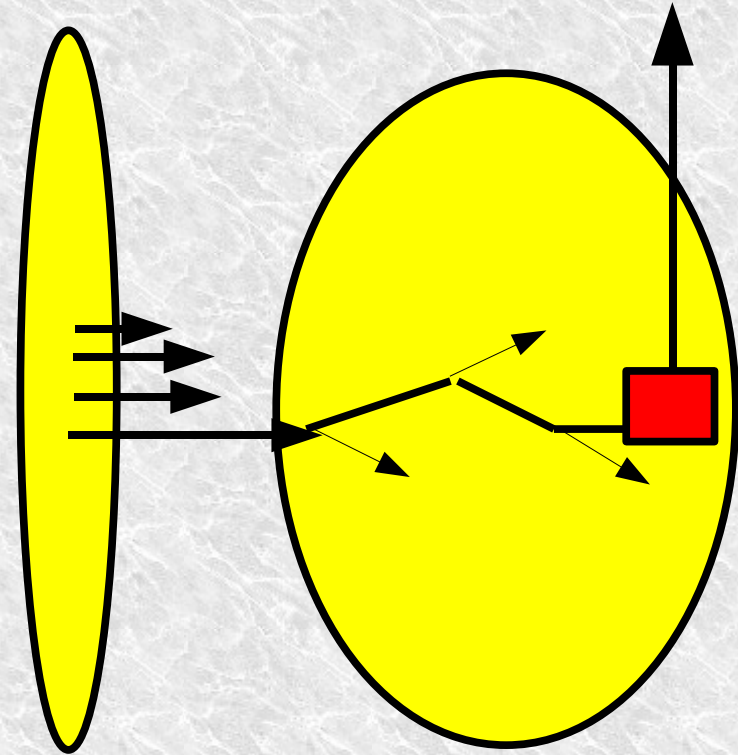
# *Understanding propagation in vacuum!*



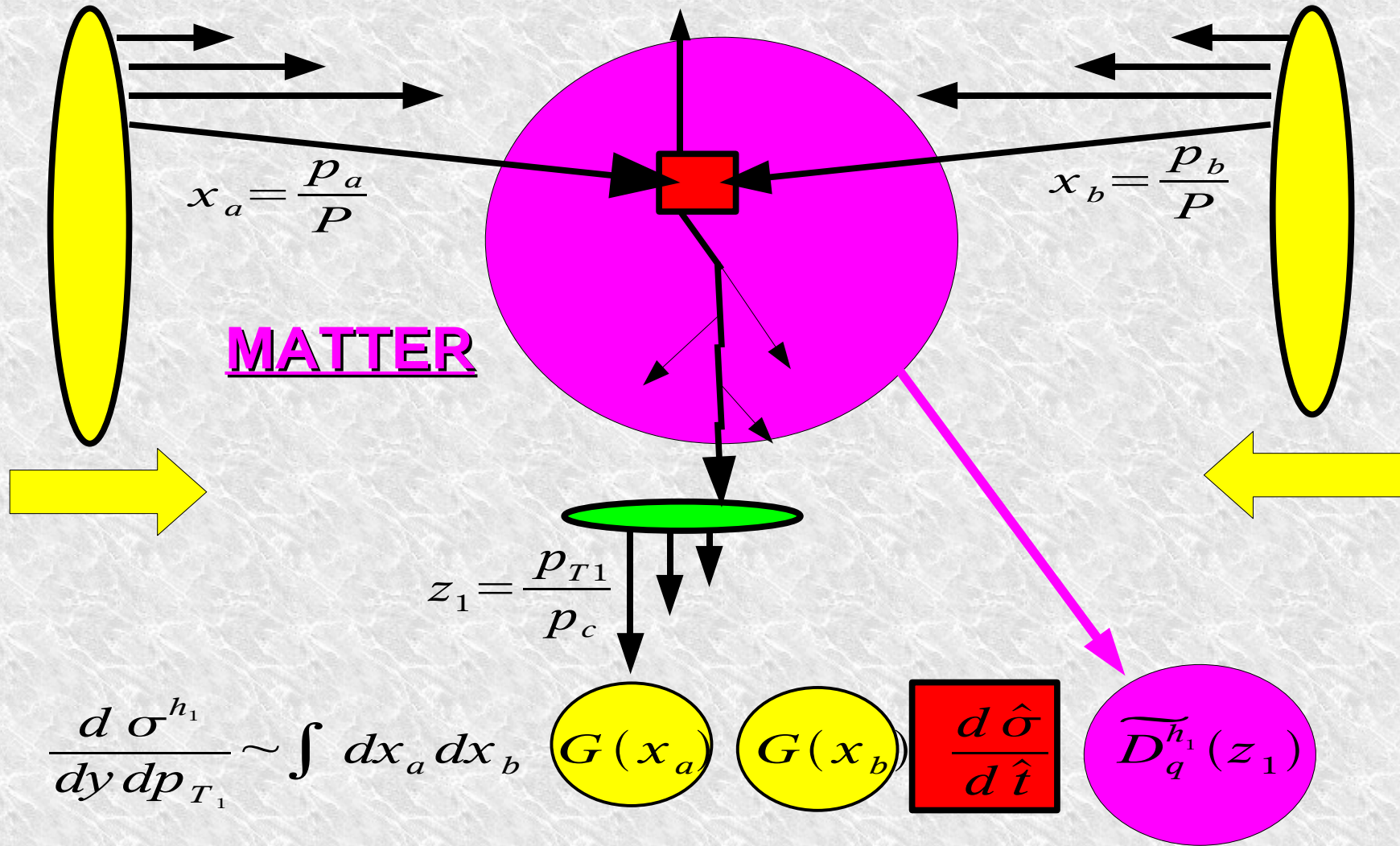
# *Problem (1) details of initial state*

- 1) Shadowing of quark distribution*
- 2) Initial multiple scattering/ Cronin*
- 3) Initial state energy loss*
- 4) Good if can be done in the same formalism as final state jet modification*

*Already being done in GLV,  
In the works, in HT,  
Can also be done in ASW,  
Cannot be done in AMY*



# Enter the QGP



**Problem 2) Can we demonstrate factorization as above**

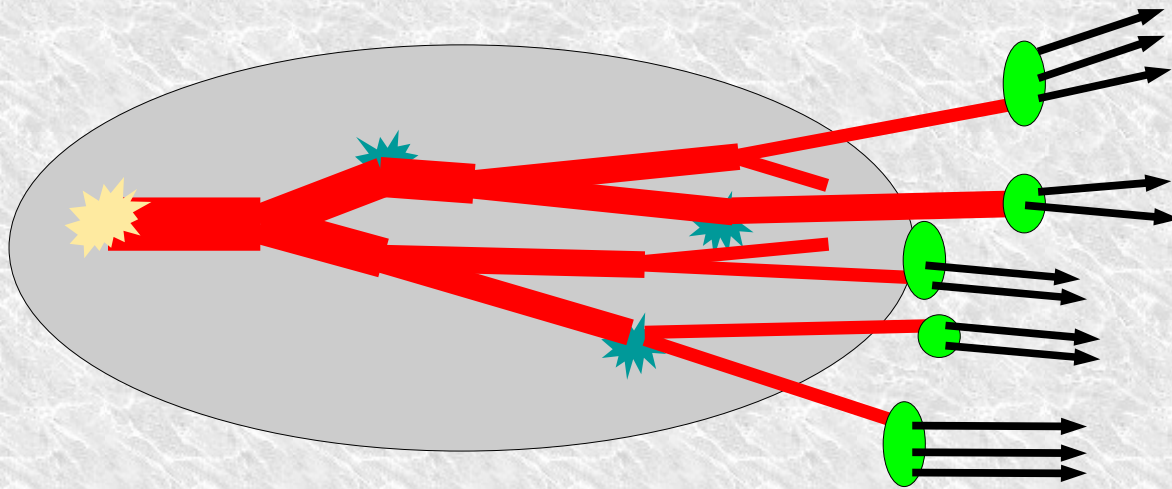
**Too hard, difficult factorization proofs, almost nobody really cares !!**

**New elegant methods from Effective theories, e.g., SCET**

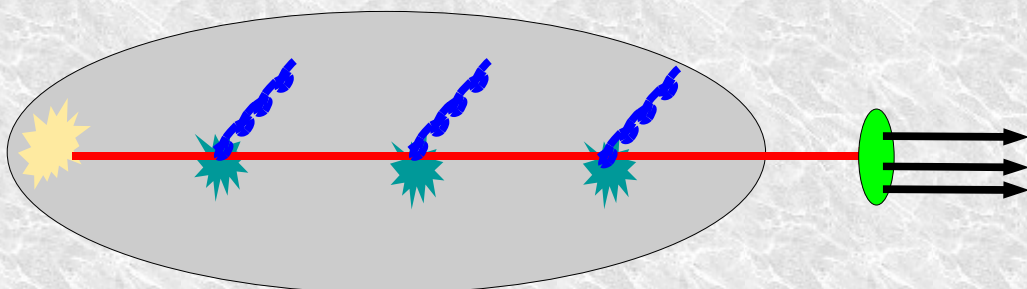
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*Can be divided into 2 basic types of schemes*

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*2) Those which calculate the energy lost by parent parton: (D)GLV, ASW*

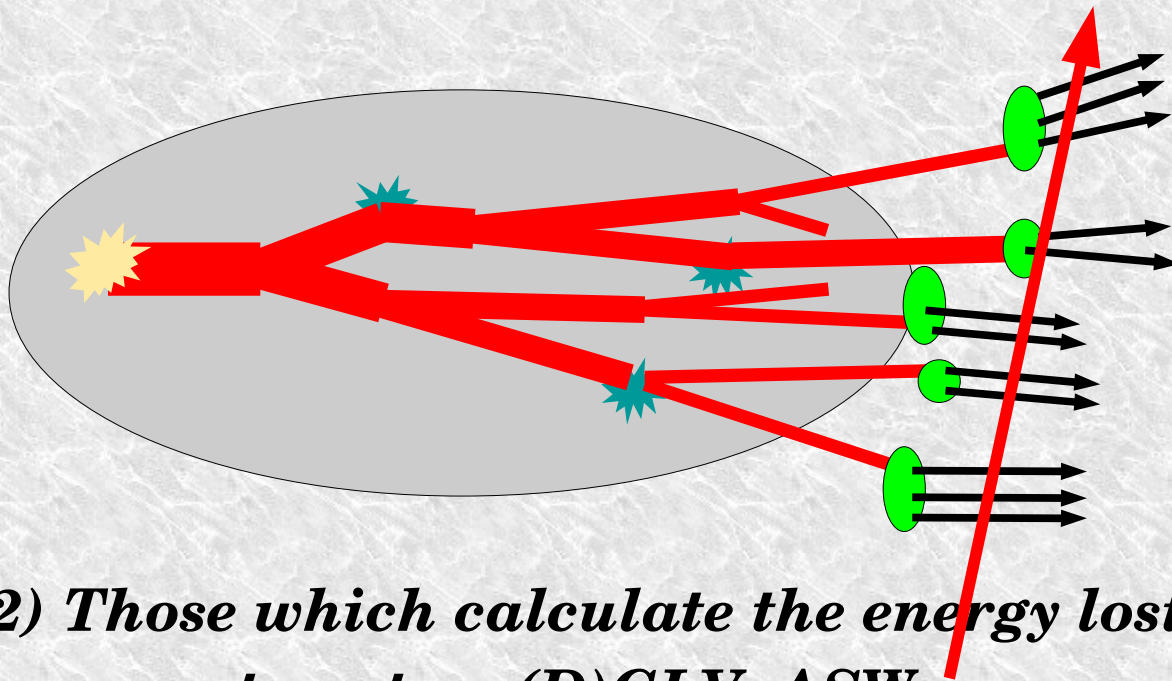


*In either case, fragmentation always happens in vacuum. Medium modification always refers to the parton*

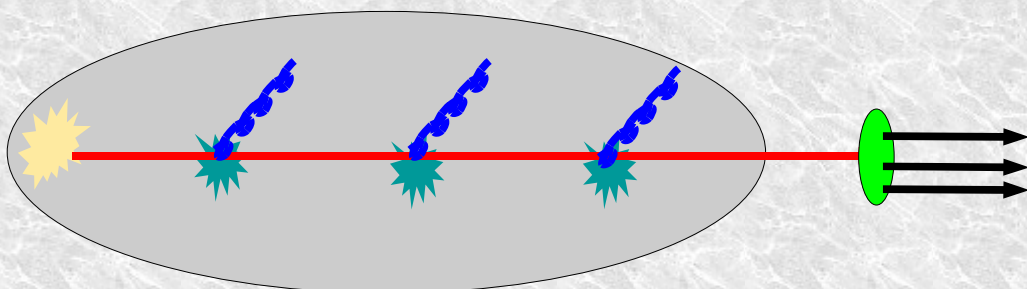
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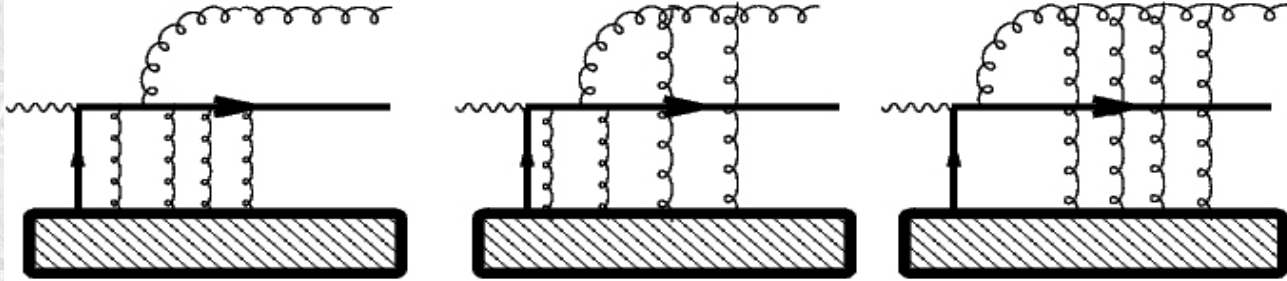
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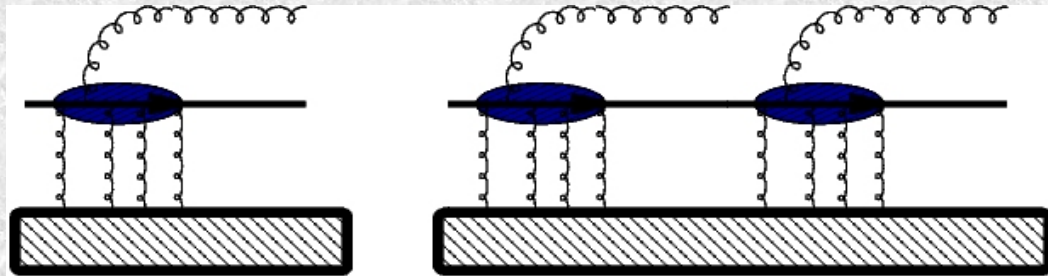
# Higher twist method

- *A medium with a color correlation length  $\lambda \ll L$*
- *Highly VIRTUAL parton produced in hard collision*
- *Parton picks up extra SMALL transverse kicks  $\sim \mu$*
- *Expand diagrams in  $\mu/Q$ ,*
- *Interference between diagrams leads to LPM suppression*



*Multiple scattering for each radiation*

$$\int dy P(y) M(r_i, r_f)$$



*Multiple radiation / evolution in medium*

$$e \int dy P(y) M(r_i, r_f)$$

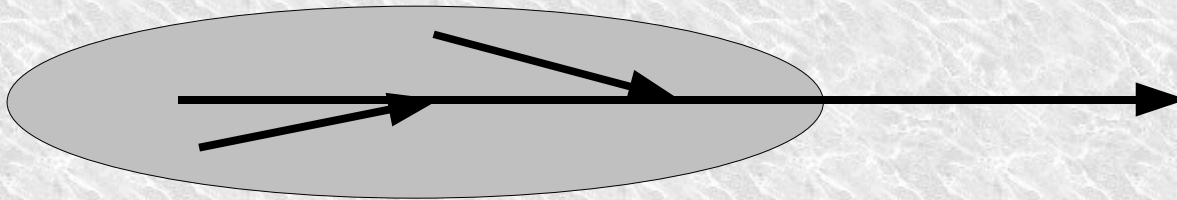
$$\hat{q}_0 = 2 - 3 \text{ GeV}^2 / \text{fm}$$

# Issues: Higher twist

- *A systematic extension of hard pQCD processes in vacuum*
- *Contains vacuum and medium induced rad. and interference*
- *Directly computes the final distribution of hadrons*
- *Straightforward generalization to multi-hadron observables*
- *Can apply to any medium: need short distance correlation*

$$\hat{q} = \frac{p_{\perp}^2}{t} = \frac{2 \pi^2 \alpha_s C_R}{N_c^2 - 1} \int dt \langle F^{\mu\alpha}(t) v_{\alpha} F_{\mu}^{\beta}(0) v_{\beta} \rangle \propto T^3, \mu^3, \epsilon^{\frac{3}{4}}, s$$

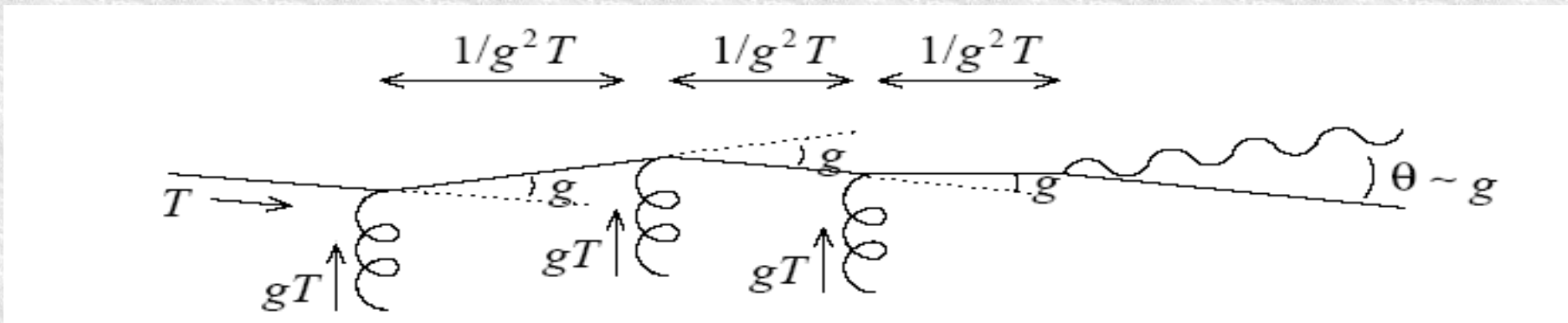
- *Does not contain flavor changing scatterings, yet!*
- *So far, worked out to few scatterings per radiation,*
- *Has not included elastic energy loss/ionization loss!*



- *Not clear how to include thermal push from medium*
- *Can say very little beyond the transport coefficients*
- *Cannot describe energy flow within the plasma from the jet*
- *Not applicable when jet scale comparable to medium scale*

# AMY- Finite temperature field theory formalism

- Hot thermal medium of quarks and gluons at  $T \rightarrow \infty$
- $T \rightarrow \infty$  implies  $g \rightarrow 0$
- Hard parton comes in on shell  $E \sim T$
- Picks up multiple soft hits,  $\mu \sim gT$  from hard particles of  $\sim T$
- The hard lines never go off-shell by more than  $g^2T$
- Long formation time leads to multiple scattering



Calculate conversion rates:  $q \Leftrightarrow g, g \Leftrightarrow q$

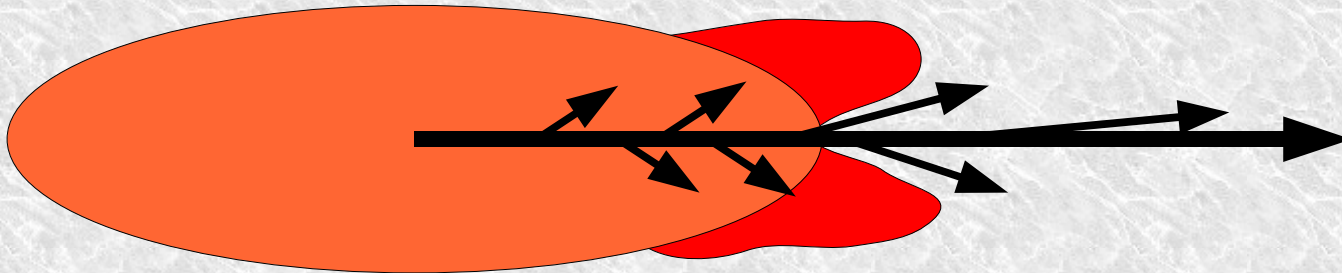
Use rates to evolve distributions with time with a Fokker Plank eqn.

$$\hat{q}_0 = 2 - 3 \text{ GeV}^2 / \text{fm}$$



# *Issues: AMY*

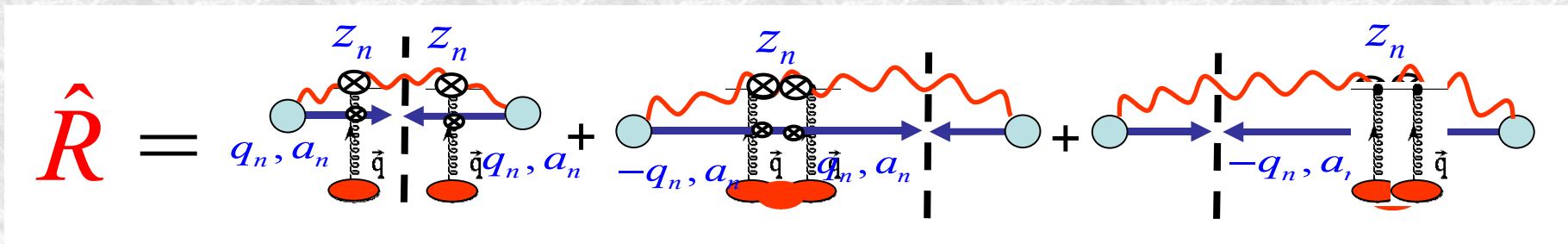
- *By far the most systematic approach applied to jet modification*
- *Both medium and Jet described within the same theory*
- *Includes flavor changing interactions and thermal push!*
- *Includes elastic energy loss, almost naturally!*
- *A universal coupling  $\alpha_s$  for both jet and medium*



- *Can easily describe flow of energy from jet into medium*
- *Can be extended to include multi-hadron observables*
- *Cannot describe hadronic phase or energy loss in hadronic phase*
- *No initial state/cold nuclear matter effects*
- *No vacuum radiation or interference with vacuum radiation*
- *Unclear applicability/interpretation in strongly coupled media*

# GLV- Recursive operator in opacity

- *Medium of heavy (static) scattering centers (Yukawa potentials)*
- *Parton picks up transverse kicks  $\sim \mu^2$*
- *Operator formalism that sums order by order in opacity*
- *Approximate gluon  $x \rightarrow 0$  (soft gluons), ignore spins!*
- *Interference between different diagrams leads to the LPM effect and the  $L^2$  length dependence of E-loss.*



- *Central quantity calculated is radiated gluon intensity*
- *Gives direct measure of E-loss*
- *Measurable (Opacity) gives no. of scattering centers in medium*

$$\hat{q}_0 = 1 - 2.5 \text{ GeV}^2 / \text{fm}$$

# *Issues: GLV*

- *Formulation in terms of scattering centers, allows to measure 2 properties: no. of scattering centers, screening length*
- *Can be applied to both confined and de-confined media*
- *Mobile scattering centers allows for elastic energy loss*
- *Includes vacuum and medium induced rad. and interference*
  
- *Does not contain flavor changing scatterings, yet!*
- *So far, worked out to few scatterings per radiation,*
- *Requires a difficult extension to elastic energy loss*
- *Probably an even more difficult extension to thermal push*
  
- *Unclear identification of scattering centers: degrees of freedom or (problems with entropy), fluctuation gluons (scale relations?)*
- *Problem with describing multi-hadron observables*
- *Poisson process not amenable to virtuality evolution*
- *Cannot describe energy flow into medium*

# ASW- path integral in opacity

*Almost on-shell parton produced in hard collision*

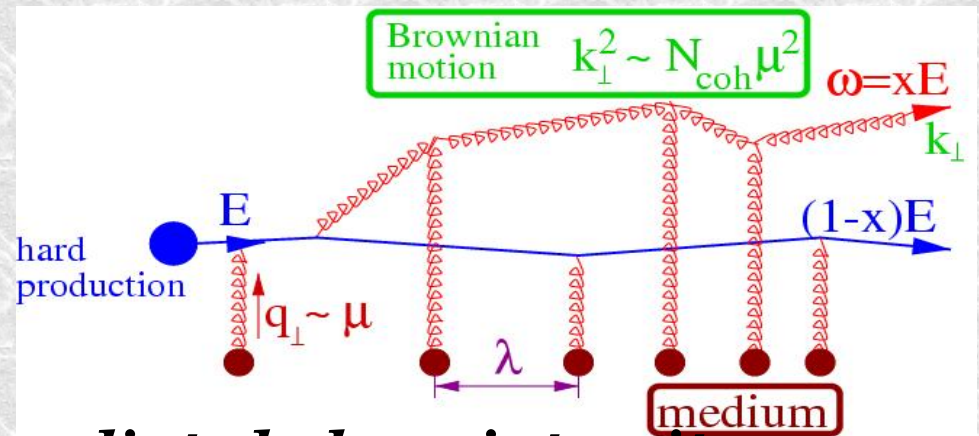
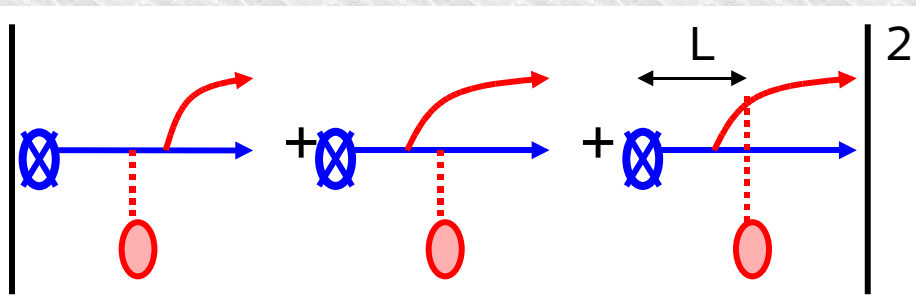
*Parton picks up virtuality from kicks in medium*

*Two simple limits of calculation*

*a) Few hard scatterings (GLV)*

*b) Many soft scatterings (BDMPS)*

*Medium also made up of heavy (static) scattering centers with Yukawa like potentials*

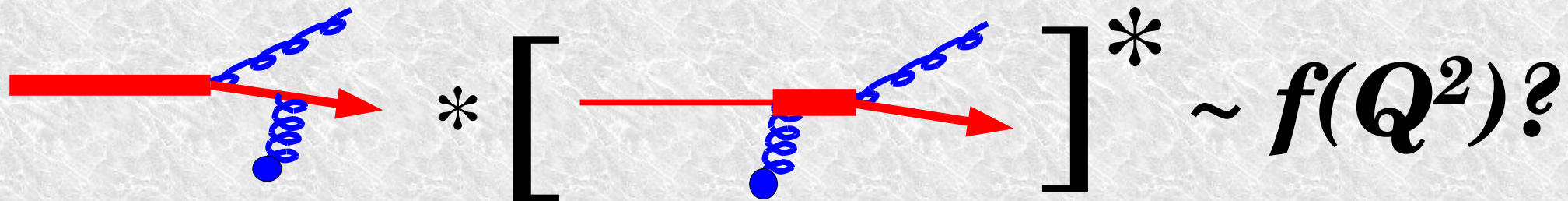


- *Central quantity calculated is radiated gluon intensity*
- *Gives direct measure of E-loss*
- *Measurable ( $\hat{q}$ ) encodes the number of scattering centers and the screening length*

$$\hat{q}_0 = 18 - 22 \text{ GeV}^2 / \text{fm}$$

# ASW: Issues

- *Formulation in terms of scattering centers  $\Leftrightarrow \hat{q}$*
- *Can be applied to both confined and de-confined media*
- *Most versatile in applicability to thick and thin media*
- *Includes vacuum and medium induced rad. and interference*



- *Does not contain flavor changing scatterings, yet!*
- *Rather difficult extension to elastic energy loss*
- *Extension of formalism to include multi-hadron observables*
- *Extension of formalism to include virtuality evolution*
- *Probably no way to describe thermal push from medium*
- *Cannot describe energy flow into a medium*
- *Disagreement with all other formalisms on value of  $\hat{q}$*

# Problem 4) What are we measuring?

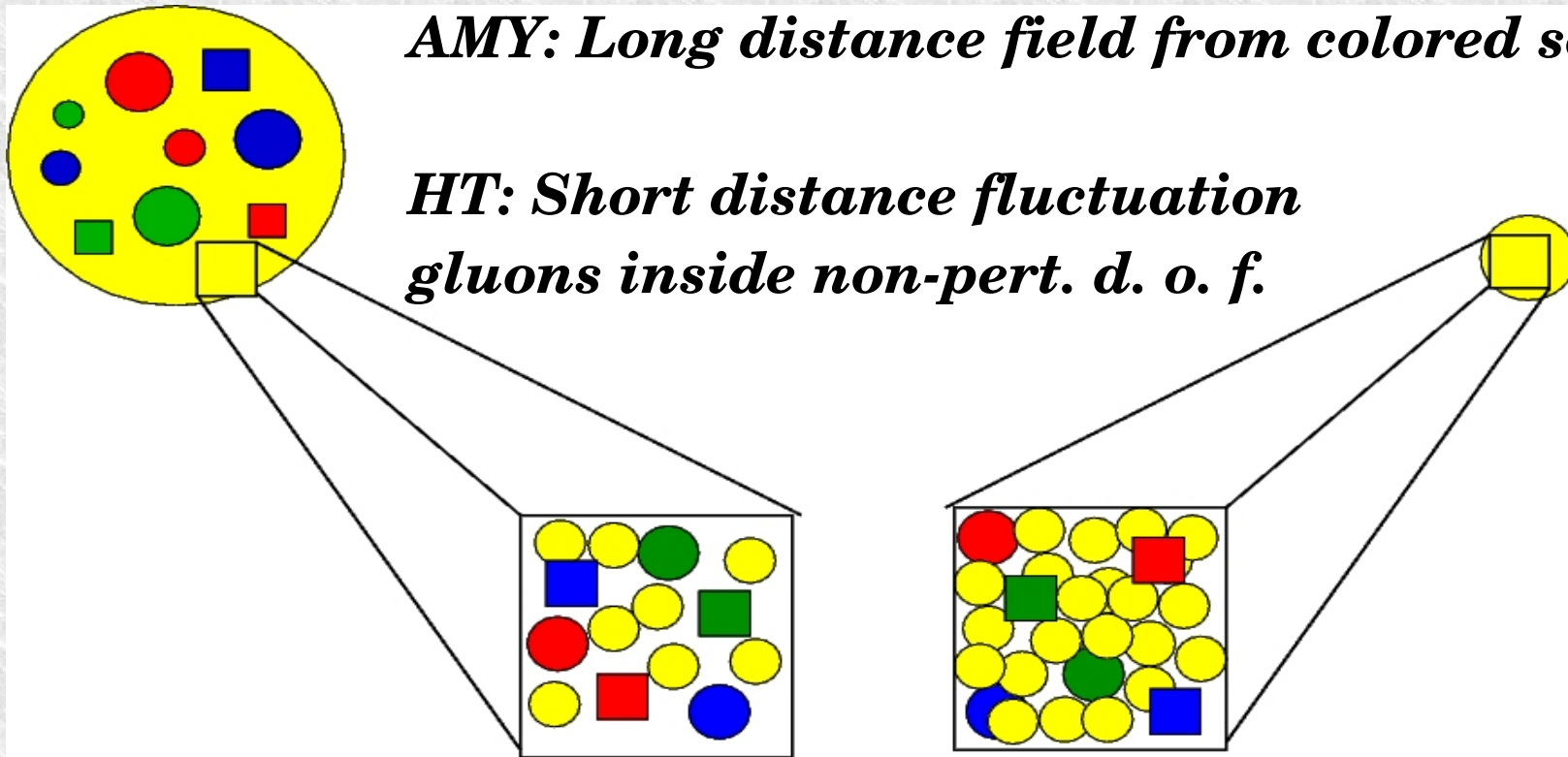
$$\hat{q} = \frac{\langle p_{\perp}^2 \rangle}{L}$$

*Interaction with medium constituents leads to transverse broadening*

*What is the jet "mostly" colliding off?*

*AMY: Long distance field from colored sources !*

*HT: Short distance fluctuation gluons inside non-pert. d. o. f.*



*DGLV & ASW: somewhere in between, depends on interpretation of scattering centers !!*

# Does it really matter?

Compare HT, ASW and AMY with identical systematics

All models constrained

1) Same nuclear profile

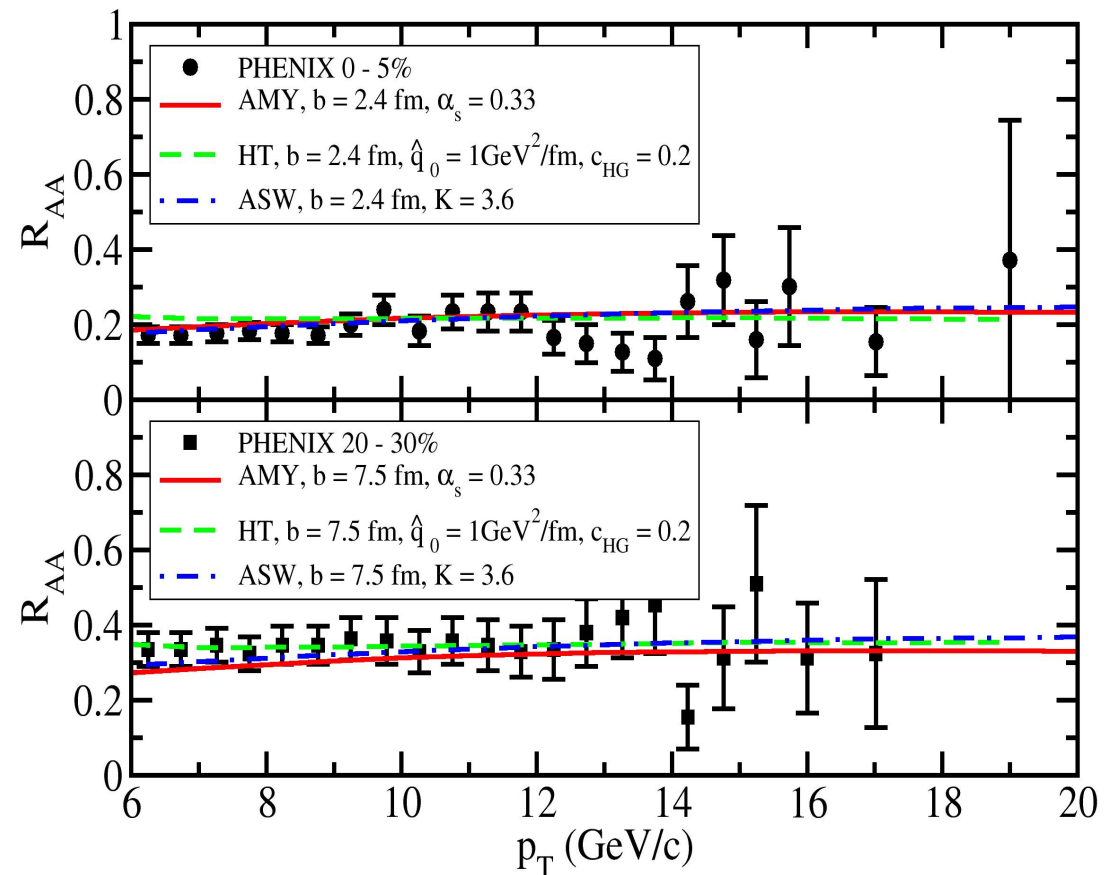
2) Same structure func.

3) Same fragmentation func.

4) **Same 3-D hydro medium**

Results look very similar!!

Bass et. al., to appear

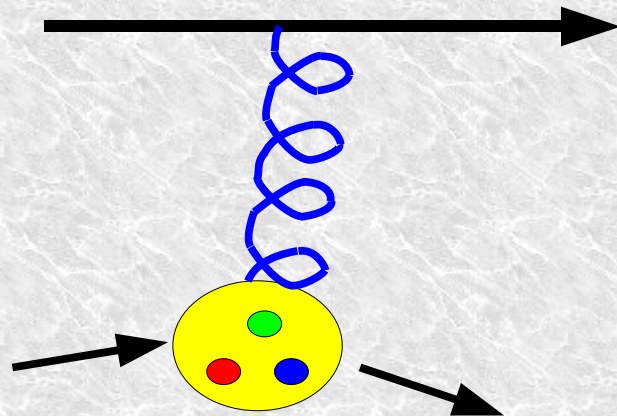


To really probe the degrees of freedom:

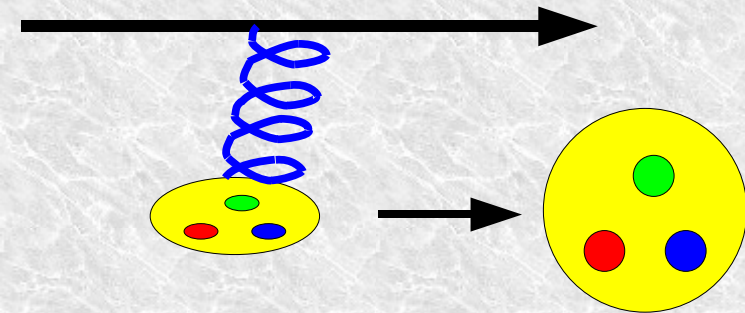
Pheno: go to more differential probes, Theory: Include elastic E-loss

# *Problem 5) Elastic/Ionization energy loss*

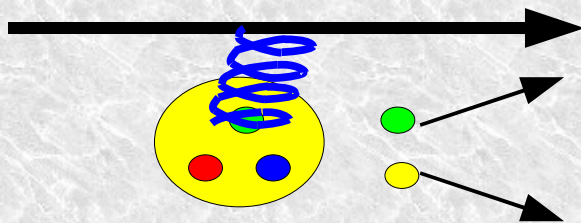
*Seems to depend on what the parton bounces off and what happens to the struck constituent of the medium*



*long distance/elastic E-loss at L.O.  
only if object is colored,  
Included in AMY, DGLV*



*Short distance Excitation loss  
Not included in any formalism!*



*Deep-Inelastic E-loss, already in HT  
Ionization E-loss, in HT shortly!*



# *Problem 6) A realistic medium profile*

*To test any new idea need realistic medium profile:*

*3-D viscous hydro, correct initial states*

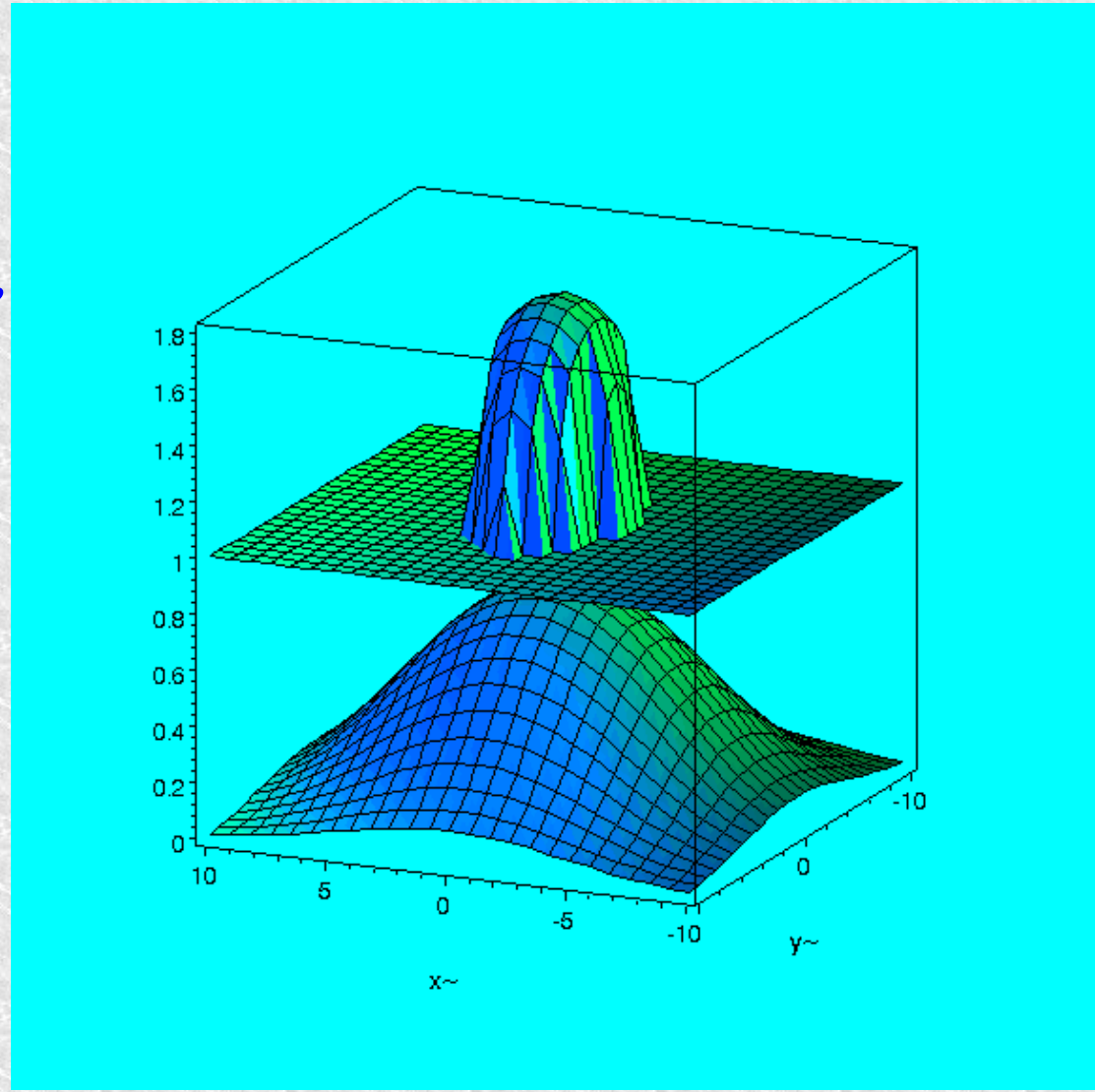
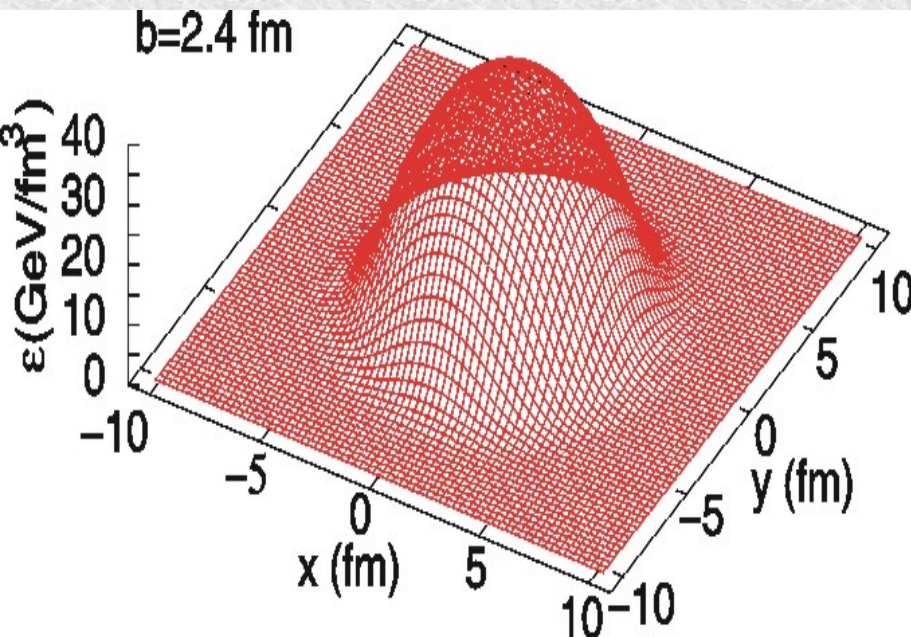
*Not a question of, is the 3-D hydro better than the Brick*

*3-D hydro represents reality*

*hence a constraint*

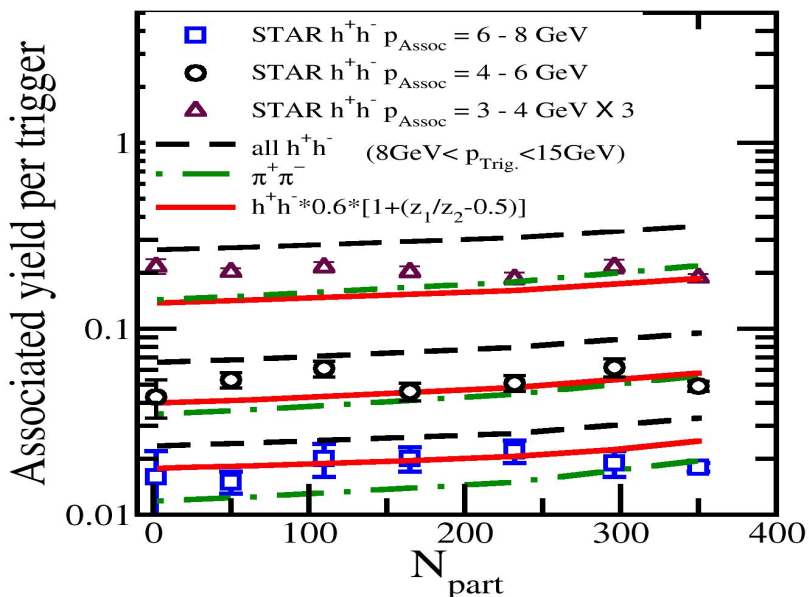
*Serious constraint for  $R_{AA}$  vs.  $\theta$ ,*

*Bass et. al. to appear*



# Problem 7) Comprehensive phenomenology

A. Majumder, et. al., nucl-th/0412061

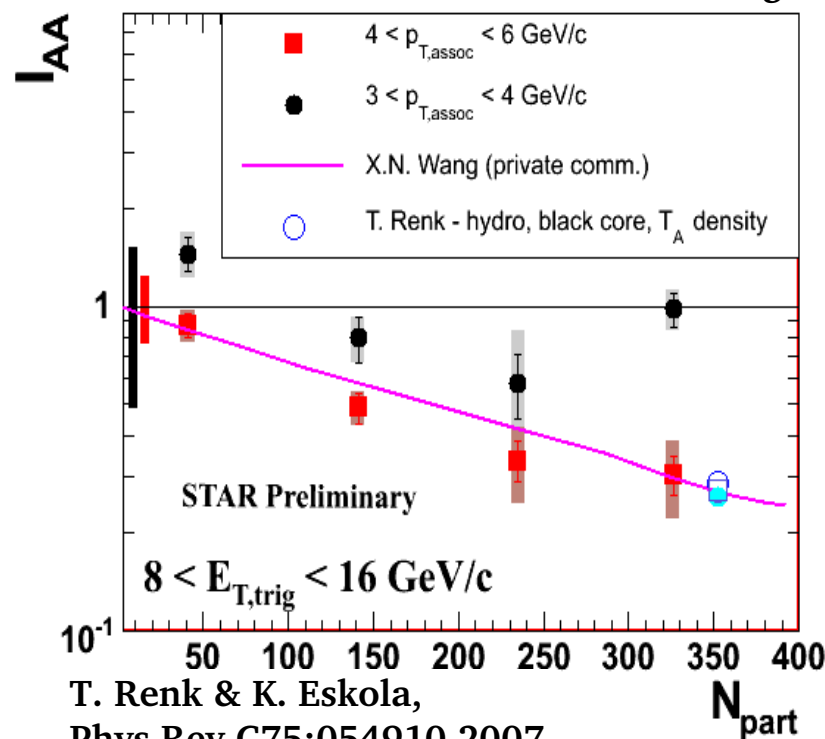


*Near side, Away side, photons*

*Any formalism has to address all pheno within range of applicability*

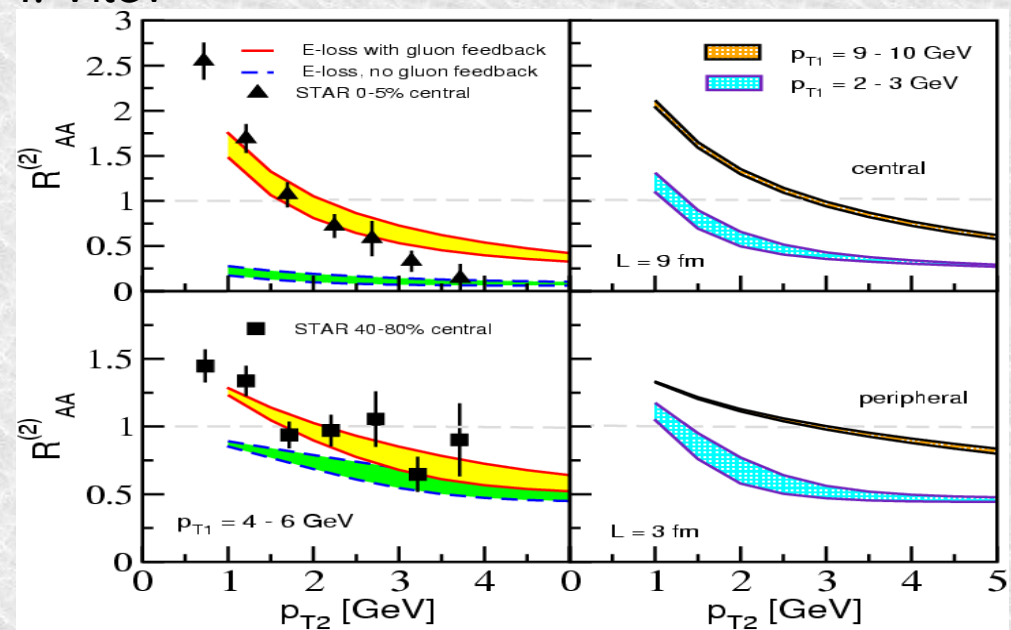
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(Direct)  $\gamma$  triggers



T. Renk & K. Eskola, Phys.Rev.C75:054910,2007

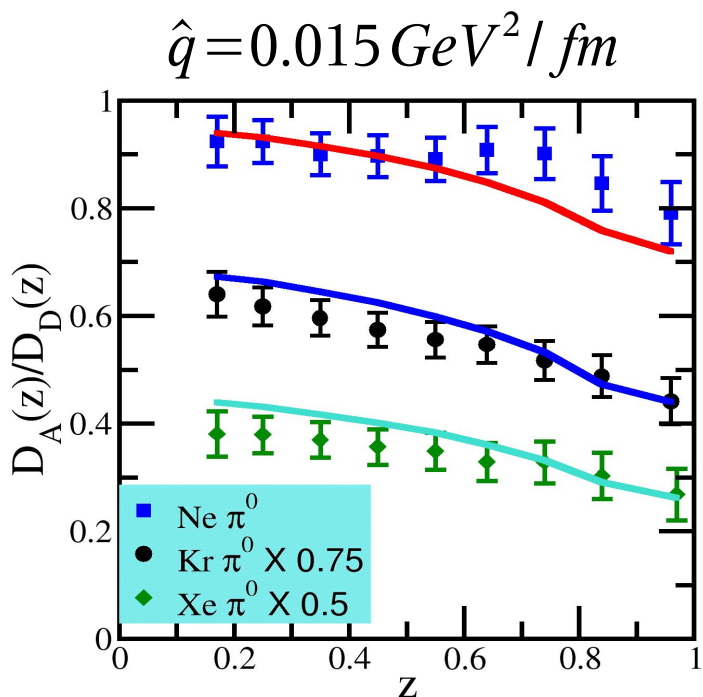
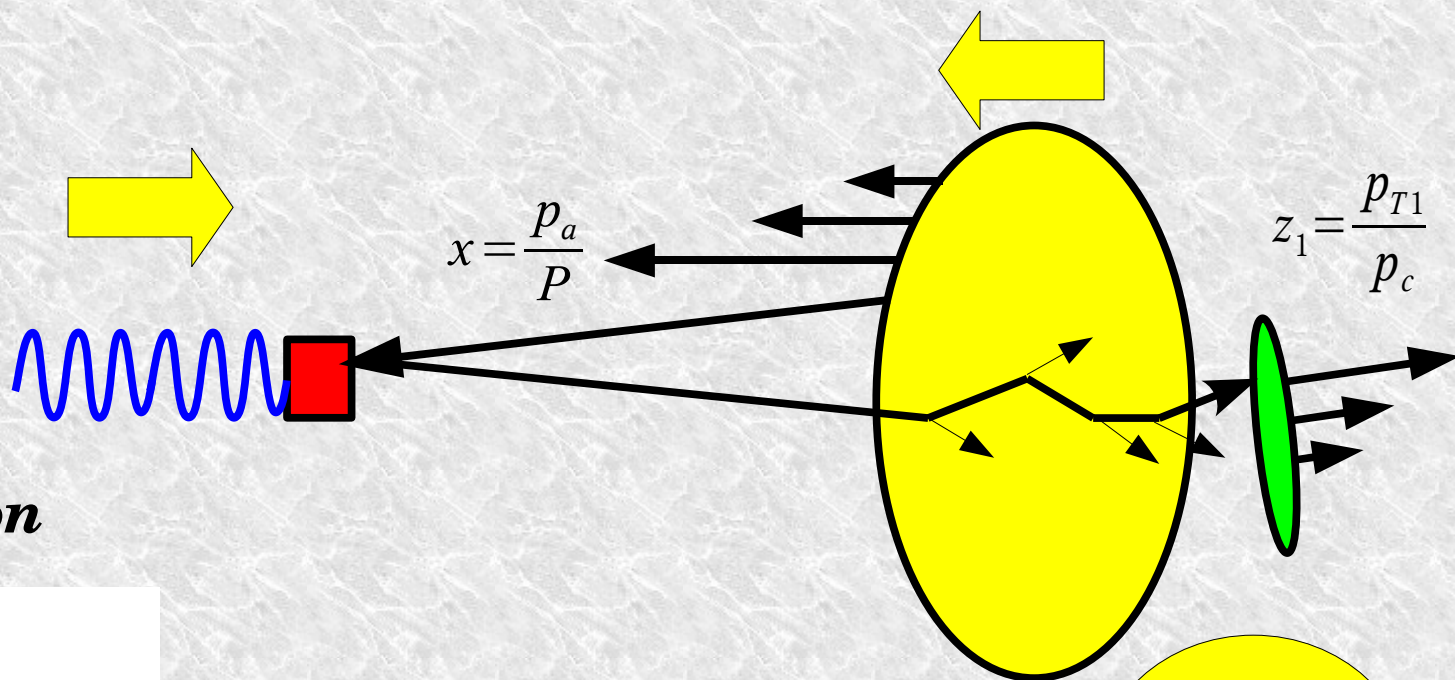
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# Problem 8) Control experiment

*DIS on nuclei,  
crucial test of  
formalism*

*e.g. at HERMES  
with 27.6 GeV electron*



$$d\sigma^{h_1} \sim \int dx \left( G(x) \right) \left( d\hat{\sigma}(x, q, Q^2) \right) \left( \widetilde{D}_q^{h_1}(z_1) \right)$$

*Jlab @ 12 GeV will provide some help  
Real test at E-RHIC, benchmark for  
both RHIC and LHC,*

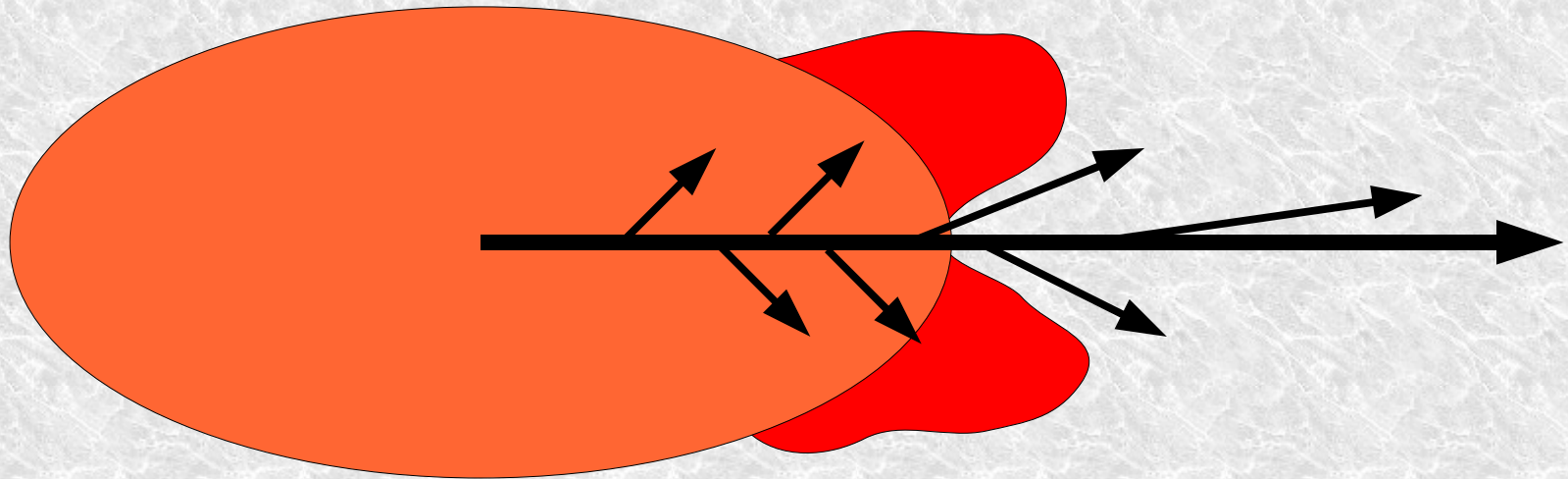
*Jet mod. a complementary program  
at E-RHIC, initial state measurements*

# ***Summary: problems, problems, problems***

- 1) Initial state, good if done in the same formalism***
- 2) Factorization/effective theory issues***
- 3) Four different looking formalisms: look for common ground***
- 4) Probe resolution, what is being measured***
- 5) Elastic/Ionization energy loss***
- 6) Realistic Medium models from 3-D hydro***
- 7) Comprehensive phenomenology***
- 8) Control experiment***
- 9) Range of applicability of theory!!***

***Back Up!***

*Some part of the radiated energy interacts strongly with the medium: Medium Response*



*This is soft physics 1 – 2 GeV*

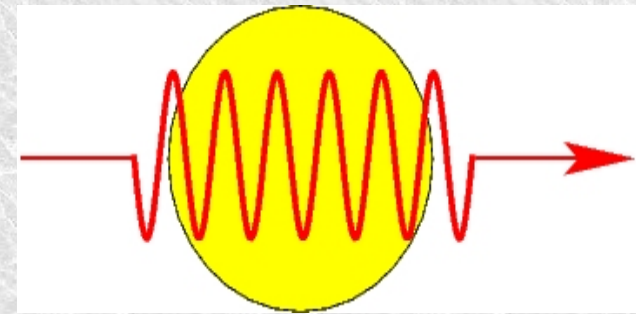
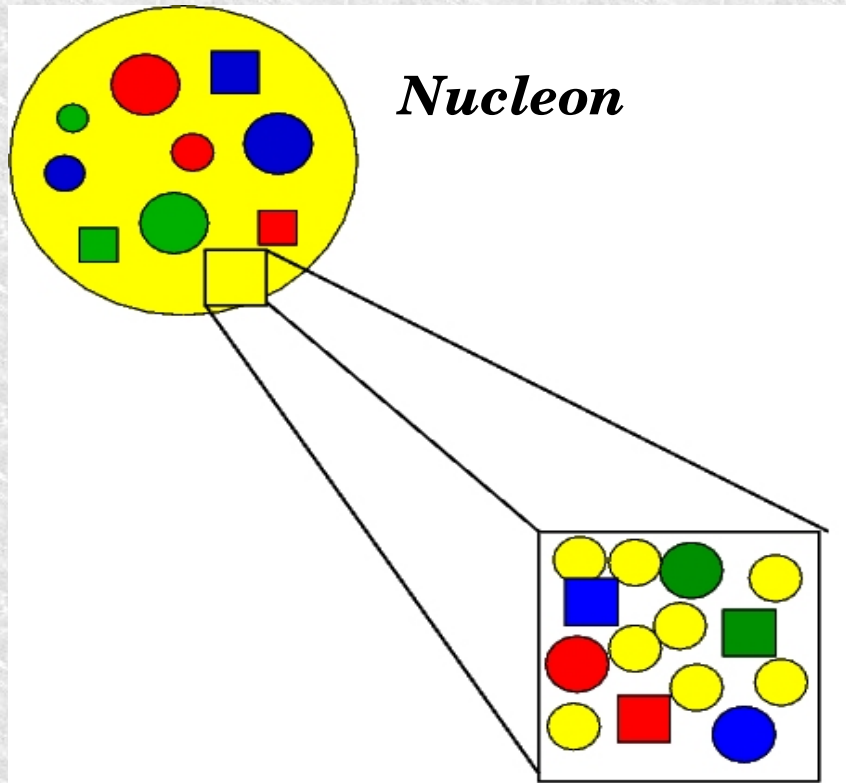
*Cannot get this from pQCD*

*Need some model!*

*Intermediate region from 2-6 GeV,  
interaction between Jet frag. and Reco.*

# *Looking at QCD matter at high resolution!*

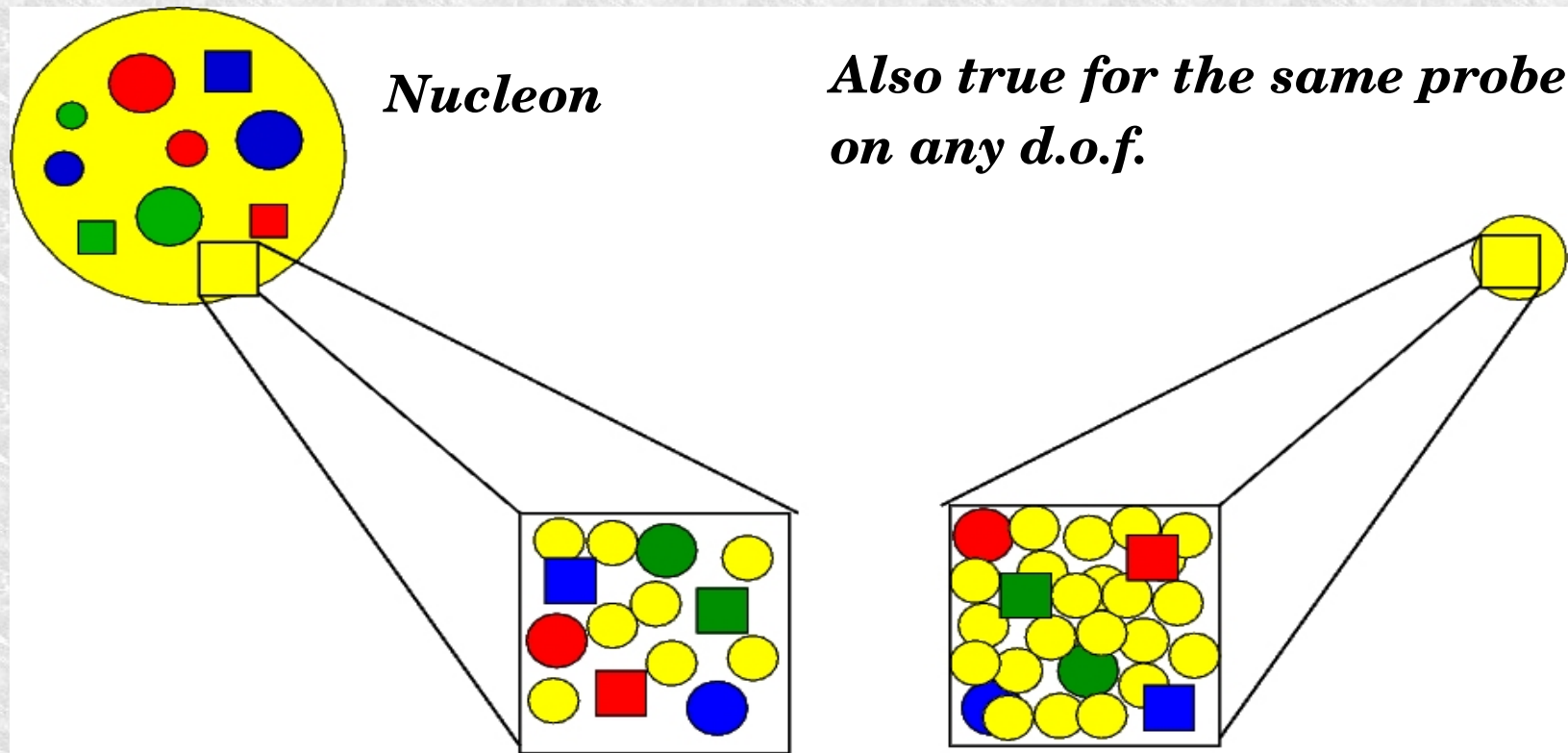
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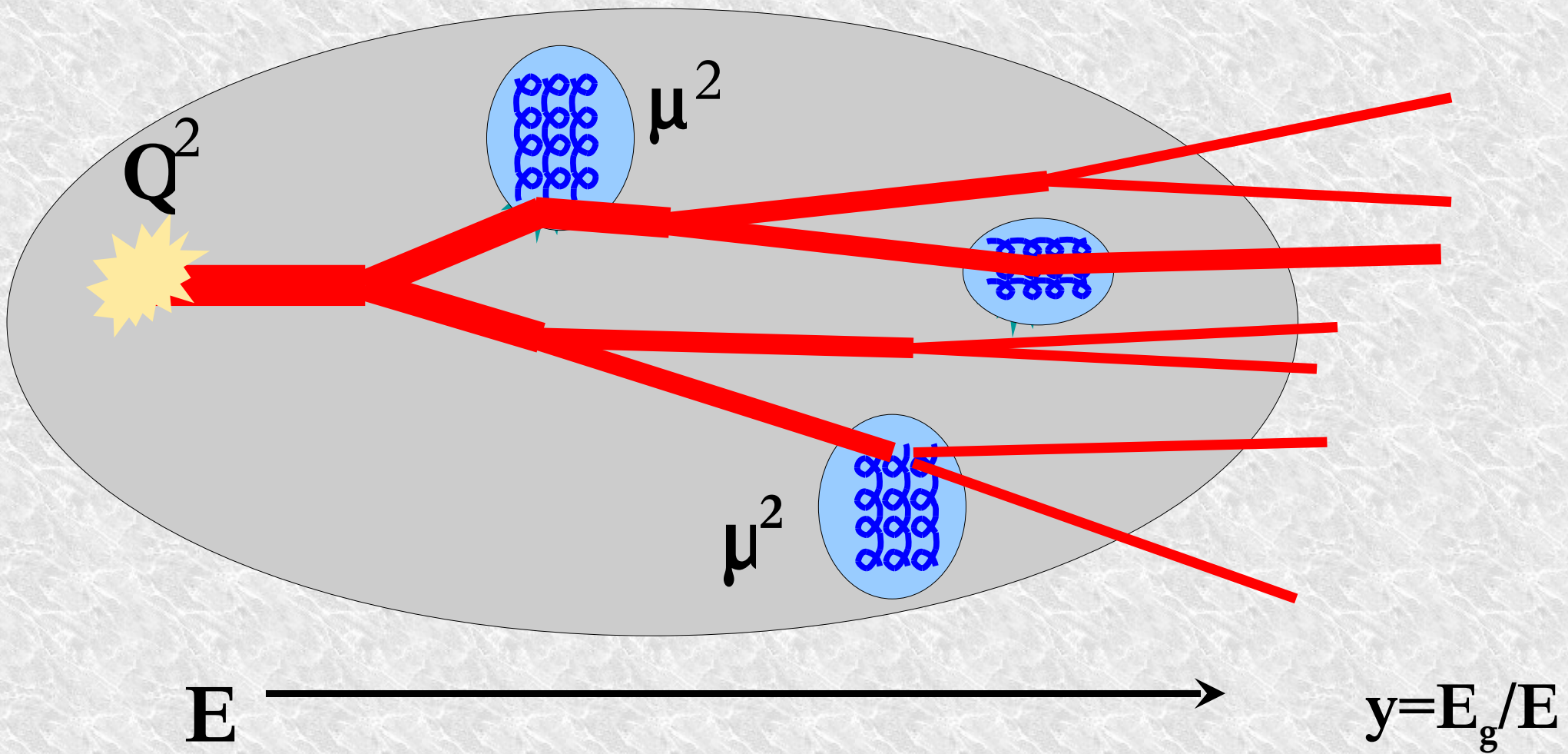
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# *Medium modifies the space time evolution of the Jet!!*



*In the limit  $E \gg Q, \mu$ .*

*The medium may be within perturbative domain,*

*Can calculate the modification using pQCD.*

# *Higher twist Computational details*

$$\frac{d \sigma^{h_1}}{dy dp_{T_1}} \sim \int dx_a dx_b G(x_a) G(x_b) \frac{d \hat{\sigma}}{d \hat{t}} \overline{D}_q^{h_1}(z_1)$$

*Calculate in-medium evolution of fragmentation function*

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial \log Q^2} \propto \int_0^L d\zeta \hat{q}(\zeta) \int \frac{dy}{y} P(y) M\left(\frac{Q^2 \zeta}{2E y(1-y)}\right) D\left(\frac{z}{y}, Q^2\right) + \text{vacuum evolution}$$

*The space-time dependence of  $\hat{q}$  is a model of the medium*

*Universal formalism: can be applied to almost any medium*

*Current implementations only involve one scattering per radiation*

*Elastic energy loss being incorporated*

# *AMY Computational details*

*Use the rates to compute the time change in parton distributions*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dP_{q\bar{q}}(p)}{dt} &= \int_k P_{q\bar{q}}(p+k) \frac{d\Gamma_{q\bar{q}}^q(p+k, k)}{dkdt} - P_{q\bar{q}}(p) \frac{d\Gamma_{q\bar{q}}^q(p, k)}{dkdt} + 2P_g(p+k) \frac{d\Gamma_{q\bar{q}}^g(p+k, k)}{dkdt}, \\ \frac{dP_g(p)}{dt} &= \int_k P_{q\bar{q}}(p+k) \frac{d\Gamma_{q\bar{q}}^g(p+k, p)}{dkdt} + P_g(p+k) \frac{d\Gamma_{g\bar{g}}^g(p+k, k)}{dkdt} \\ &\quad - P_g(p) \left( \frac{d\Gamma_{q\bar{q}}^g(p, k)}{dkdt} + \frac{d\Gamma_{g\bar{g}}^g(p, k)}{dkdt} \Theta(2k-p) \right), \end{aligned}$$

*Fold final distribution of partons with frag. func. to get hadrons*

$$D_{\pi, c}(z, Q; r, n) = \int dp_f \frac{z'}{z} \left( P_{q\bar{q}/c} \left( p_f; p_i \right) D_{\pi/q} \left( z', Q \right) + P_{g/c} \left( p_f; p_i \right) D_{\pi/q} \left( z', Q \right) \right)$$

*Temperature profile and  $\alpha(T)$  are the model of the medium*

- *Multiple scattering per radiation included*
- *Elastic energy loss incorporated*
- *Strongly dependent on presence of a thermalized plasma,*
- *Cannot be applied to hadronic gas or cold matter*
- *No means to incorporate the effect of initial state virtuality*

# *GLV Computational details*

*Using the energy loss spectrum per radiation construct a Poisson distribution for hard jet to lose energy E*

$$P_E(\epsilon) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^n \int d\omega_i \frac{dI(\omega_i)}{d\omega} \right] \delta \left( \epsilon - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\omega_i}{E} \right) \exp \left[ - \int d\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} \right]$$

*Fold the probability of E-loss with vacuum fragmentation to get final hadrons*

$$D_{h/q}^{(\text{med})}(z, Q^2) = \int_0^1 d\epsilon P_E(\epsilon) \frac{1}{1-\epsilon} D_{h/q} \left( \frac{z}{1-\epsilon}, Q^2 \right).$$

*Can be applied to any media,  
radiation intensity can be calculated to desired level of accuracy*

*Fate of radiated gluon not clear,  
Elastic energy loss zero by definition,*

# ***ASW Computational details***

***Using the energy loss spectrum per radiation construct a Poisson distribution for hard jet to lose energy E***

$$P_E(\epsilon) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^n \int d\omega_i \frac{dI(\omega_i)}{d\omega} \right] \delta \left( \epsilon - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\omega_i}{E} \right) \exp \left[ - \int d\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} \right]$$

***Fold the probability of E-loss with vacuum fragmentation to get final hadrons***

$$D_{h/q}^{(\text{med})}(z, Q^2) = \int_0^1 d\epsilon P_E(\epsilon) \frac{1}{1-\epsilon} D_{h/q} \left( \frac{z}{1-\epsilon}, Q^2 \right).$$

***Can be applied to any media,  
radiation intensity can be calculated to desired level of accuracy***

***Fate of radiated gluon not clear,  
Elastic energy loss zero by definition,***