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# Saturation & BFKL dynamics in the HERA data at small $x$

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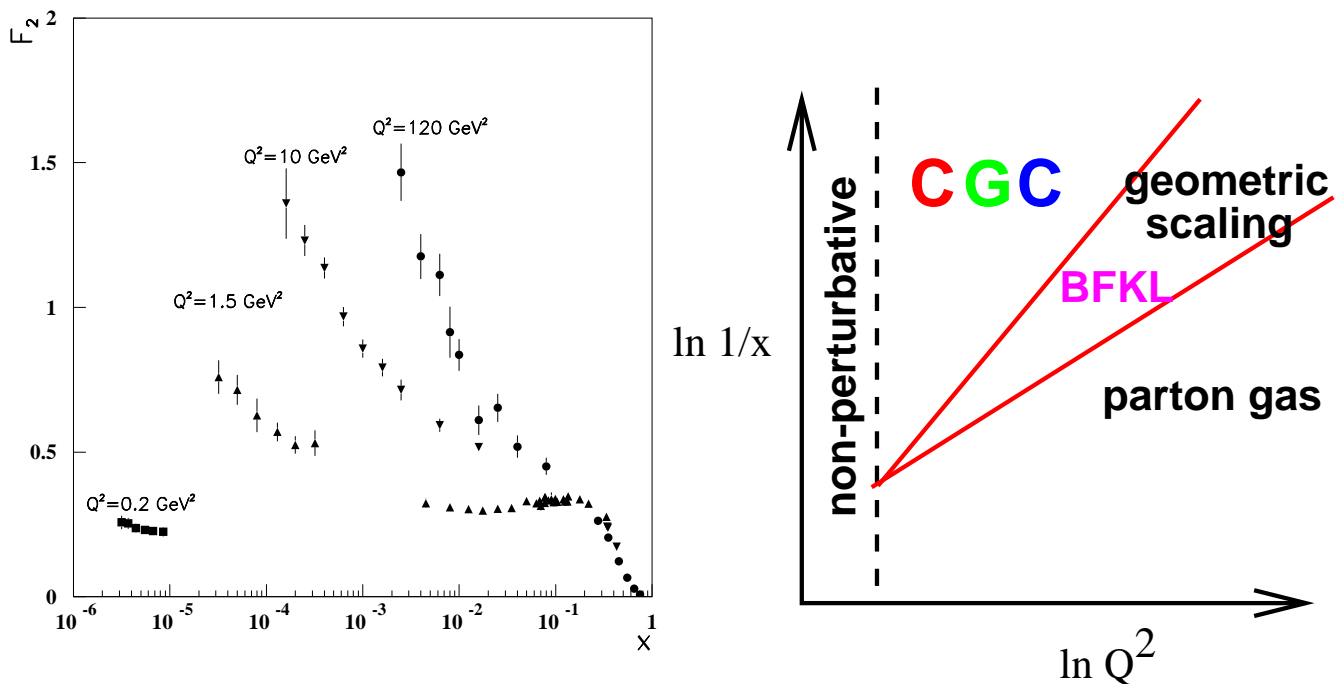
# Introduction

Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS) at small  $x$  is the best place to see **Color Glass Condensate**.

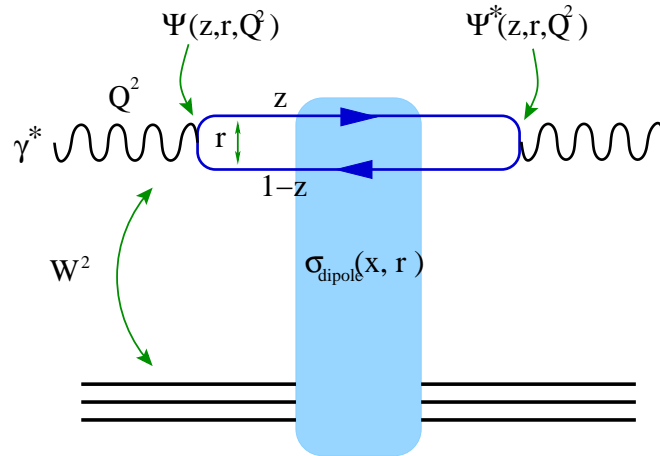
- can directly probe the hadron wavefunction
- increase of gluon density at small  $x$  is observed in  $F_2$
- can enter CGC regime with increasing energy
- relation to RHIC

Saturation scale  $Q_s^2(x, A) \propto A^{1/3}(1/x)^{0.3}$

DIS @ HERA  $x \sim 10^{-4} \leftrightarrow$  AuAu @ RHIC  $x \sim 10^{-2}$



# Dipole picture in DIS at small $x$



$F_2$  structure function

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = \frac{Q^2}{4\pi^2\alpha_{\text{EM}}} \sum_{T,L} \int_0^1 dz \int d^2r_{\perp} |\Psi_{T,L}(z, r_{\perp}, Q^2)|^2 \sigma_{\text{dipole}}(x, r_{\perp})$$

where  $\Psi_{T,L}$ : LC wavefunc of  $\gamma^*$  (perturbatively calculable)

$\sigma_{\text{dipole}}(x, r_{\perp})$ : Dipole-proton cross section

- $\propto r_{\perp}^2 x G(x, 1/r_{\perp}^2)$  at very short distance  $r_{\perp}$ ,
- should be unitarized at large  $r_{\perp}$  (up to log effects)

$$\sigma_{\text{dipole}}(x, r_{\perp}) = 2 \int d^2b \mathcal{N}(x, r_{\perp}, b_{\perp}) < \sigma_0$$

- Parametrizations of  $\sigma_{\text{dipole}}$  with saturation models work relatively well to describe the HERA data.

$\Rightarrow$  Aim: Provide a simple parametrization rooted in QCD

# Previous attempts with saturation models

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## Golec-Biernat–Wüsthoff model [PRD59(99)014017,60(99)114023]

$$\sigma_{\text{dipole}}(x, r_{\perp}) = \sigma_0 \left[ 1 - \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{4} r_{\perp}^2 Q_s^2(x) \right\} \right]$$

$$Q_s^2(x) = 1 \text{ GeV}^2 \left( \frac{x_0}{x} \right)^{\lambda}$$

- **Saturation (unitarization)**:  $\sigma_{\text{dipole}} \rightarrow \sigma_0$  as  $r_{\perp} \rightarrow \infty$
- **Geometric scaling**:  $\sigma_{\text{dipole}}(x, r_{\perp}) = \sigma_{\text{dipole}}(r_{\perp}^2 Q_s^2(x))$

⇒ Good fit to old HERA data ( $F_2, F_2^{\text{Diff}}$ ) for  $x < 10^{-2}$

[H1: NPB470(96)3,497(97)3, ZEUS:Z.P.C72(96)399,EPJ.C7(99)609]

3 parameters:  $\sigma_0 = 23\text{mb}$ ,  $x_0 = 3 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda \simeq 0.3$

But, doesn't work well for new HERA data at high  $Q^2$

[H1: EPJ.C21(01)33, ZEUS:PLB487(00)53,EPJ.C21(01)443]

## Improvement of the GBW model

- by adding DGLAP evolution at high  $Q^2$  (small  $r_{\perp}$ )

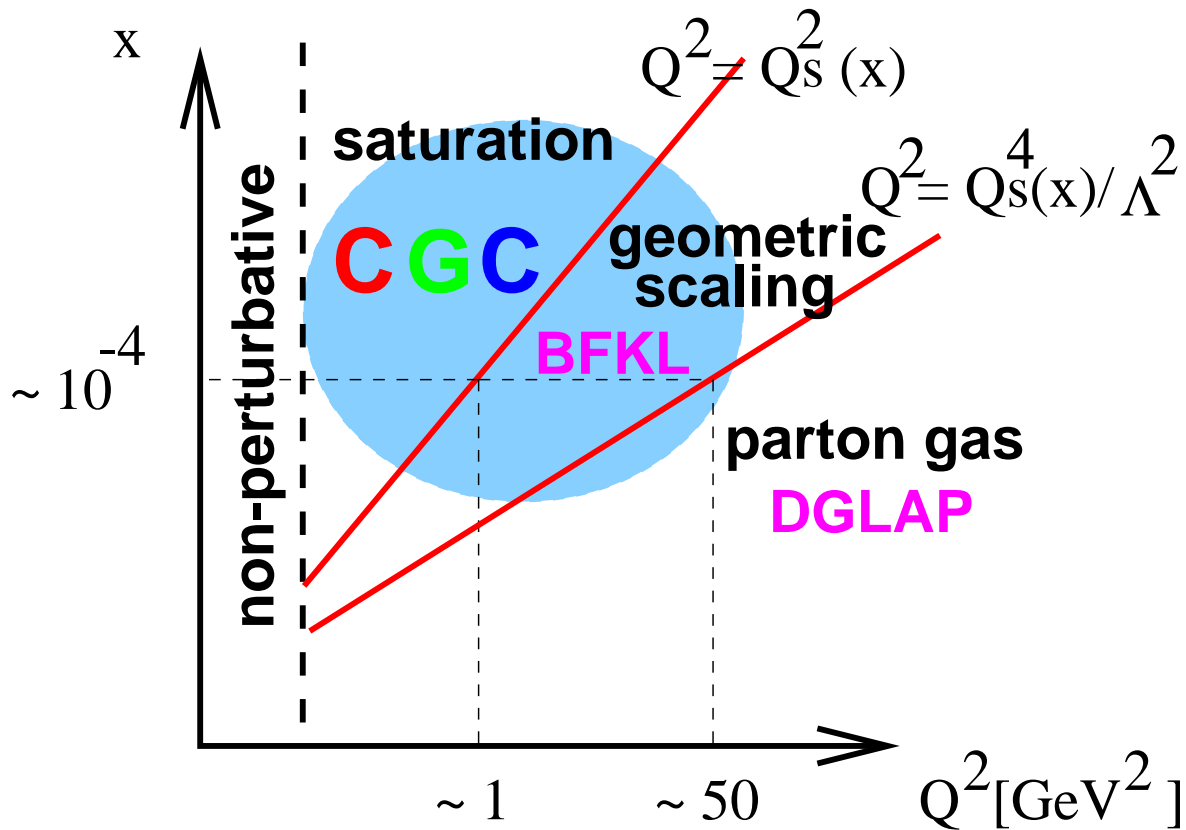
Bartels, Golec-Biernat, Kowalski, PRD66(02)014001

- by further adding impact parameter ( $b$ ) dependence

Kowalski& Teaney, PRD68(03)114005

# Physics at $x < 0.01$ , $Q^2 \lesssim 50\text{GeV}^2$

But, **BFKL**, rather than DGLAP, should be the right physics in the transition regime!  
 We focus on the region with not too large  $Q^2$ .



CGC (saturation) for  $Q^2 < Q_s^2(x)$

BFKL dynamics in  $Q_s^2 < Q^2 < Q_s^4/\Lambda^2 \sim 50\text{GeV}^2$

# Physics at $x < 0.01$ , $Q^2 \lesssim 50\text{GeV}^2$

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## Saturation for $Q^2 < Q_s^2(x)$ [Levin-Tuchin, Iancu-McLerran]

A solution to BK and JIMWLK equations:

Scattering amplitude  $\mathcal{N}$ :  $\sigma_{\text{dipole}} = 2\pi R^2 \mathcal{N}(x, r_\perp)$

$$\mathcal{N}(x, r_\perp) \simeq 1 - \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2c} \ln^2 r_\perp^2 Q_s^2(x) \right\}$$

coherent multiple scatterings ( $\neq$  Glauber with indep. scat.)

## BFKL dynamics in $Q_s^2 < Q^2 < Q_s^4/\Lambda^2 \sim 50\text{GeV}^2$

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[Iancu-KI-McLerran, Mueller-Triantafyllopoulos]

saddle point approx. + saturation boundary

$$\mathcal{N}(x, r_\perp) \simeq \underbrace{(r_\perp^2 Q_s^2)^\gamma}_{\text{geometric scaling}} \underbrace{\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\kappa\lambda Y} \left( \ln \frac{1}{r_\perp^2 Q_s^2} \right)^2 \right\}}_{\text{diffusion, scaling violation}}$$

- $\gamma \simeq 0.63 < 1$ : anomalous dimension
- $\kappa = \chi''(\gamma)/\chi'(\gamma) \simeq 9.9$ : diffusion coefficient
- $\lambda$ : saturation exponent  $Q_s^2(Y) \propto e^{\lambda Y}$  ( $Y = \ln 1/x$ )

Diffusion effectively increases the anomalous dimension.

Data very sensitive to the precise value of  $\lambda$

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$$\sigma_{\text{dipole}}(x, \mathbf{r}) = 2\pi R^2 \mathcal{N}(rQ_s, Y), \quad Q_s^2(x) = (x_0/x)^\lambda \text{GeV}^2,$$

$$\mathcal{N}(rQ_s, Y) = \mathcal{N}_0 \left( \frac{r^2 Q_s^2}{4} \right)^{\gamma + \frac{\ln(2/rQ_s)}{\kappa \lambda Y}} \quad \text{for } rQ_s \leq 2$$

$$\mathcal{N}(rQ_s, Y) = 1 - e^{-a \ln^2(b r Q_s)} \quad \text{for } rQ_s > 2$$

$\gamma = 0.63$ ,  $\kappa = 9.9$  (fixed by LO-BFKL  $\simeq$  resummed NLO)

$a, b$  fixed by continuity at  $rQ_s = 2$  where  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N}_0$ .

3 parameters  $R, x_0$  and  $\lambda$  (The same as in GBW.  $\sigma_0 = 2\pi R^2$ )

$R, x_0$  : non-perturbative.

$\lambda$  : saturation exponent. Perturbatively computable,  
but left free to account for theoretical uncertainty.

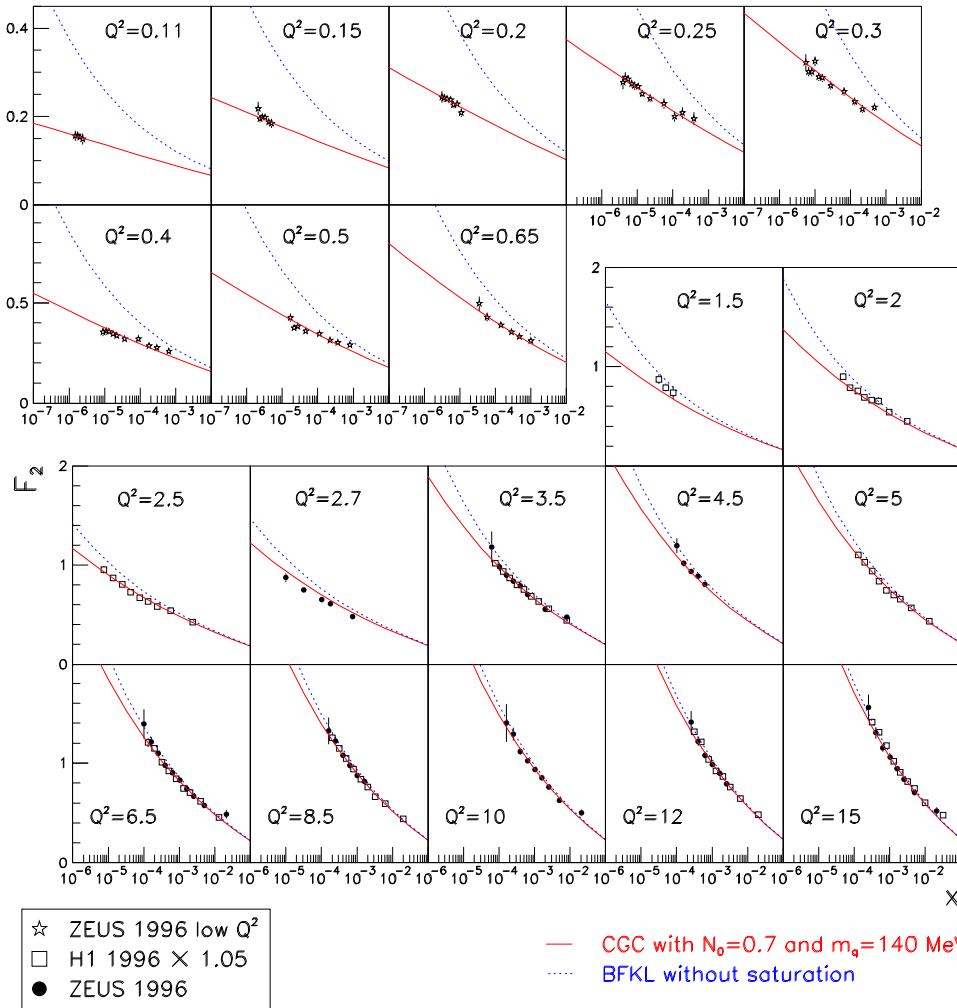
Resummed NLO:  $\lambda \sim 0.3 \pm 15\%$  [Triantafyllopoulos]

Fit to the new data within

$$x \leq 10^{-2} \text{ and } 0.045 \leq Q^2 \leq 45 \text{GeV}^2$$

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$F_2$  as a function of  $x$  in bins of  $Q^2 \leq 15 \text{ GeV}^2$ .

red line: CGC with  $N_0 = 0.7$  and  $m_q = 140 \text{ MeV}$

blue line: BFKL without saturation

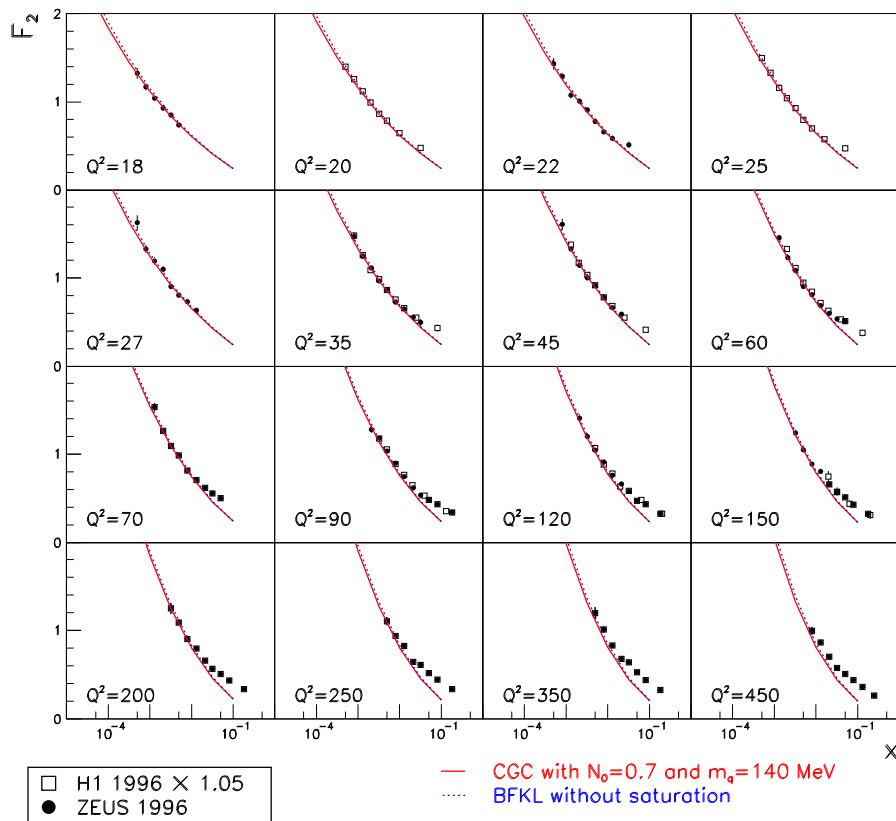
$R = 0.641 \text{ fm}$ ,  $x_0 = 0.267 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\lambda = 0.253$

with  $\chi^2/\text{dof} = 0.81$  (156 data points)



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Larger  $Q^2$ : (The fit is extrapolated in bins  $Q^2 \geq 60\text{GeV}^2$ .)

- $\lambda \sim 0.25$  is in agreement with the resummed NLO BFKL result
- Scaling violation is essential (pure scaling fit doesn't work well)
- BFKL w/o saturation cannot reproduce the low  $Q^2$  data
- Good agreement even for  $Q^2 \ll 1 \text{ GeV}^2$  (quark-hadron duality)
- Deviation at high  $Q^2$ : no DGLAP, no valence quarks

# Summary

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- Presented a new **analytic** parametrization of the dipole cross section which is **rooted in QCD**.

## BFKL dynamics near saturation

- **geometric scaling** as leading effect
- its **violation** by the diffusion term at high  $Q^2$

## CGC, saturation

- correct asymptotic behaviour  
(from BK or JIMWLK eqs.)

- This works very well in describing **HERA  $F_2(x, Q^2)$  data** within  $x \leq 10^{-2}$  and  $0.045 \leq Q^2 \leq 45 \text{GeV}^2$ .  
**3 parameter fit** ( $R$ ,  $x_0$  and  $\lambda$ ) gives  $\chi^2/dof \sim 0.8$ .
- Our analysis suggests that the CGC may have been seen in the HERA DIS data at small  $x$ .

# The CGC fit

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| $\mathcal{N}_0/\text{model}$ | 0.5    | 0.6    | 0.7    | 0.8    | 0.9    | GBW    |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| $\chi^2$                     | 146.43 | 129.88 | 123.63 | 125.61 | 133.73 | 243.87 |
| $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f}$        | 0.96   | 0.85   | 0.81   | 0.82   | 0.87   | 1.59   |
| $x_0 (\times 10^{-4})$       | 0.669  | 0.435  | 0.267  | 0.171  | 0.108  | 4.45   |
| $\lambda$                    | 0.252  | 0.254  | 0.253  | 0.252  | 0.250  | 0.286  |
| $R$ (fm)                     | 0.692  | 0.660  | 0.641  | 0.627  | 0.618  | 0.585  |

Table 1: The CGC fits for different values of  $\mathcal{N}_0$  and 3 quark flavors with mass  $m_q = 140$  MeV. Also shown is the fit obtained by using the GBW model.

# The CGC fit

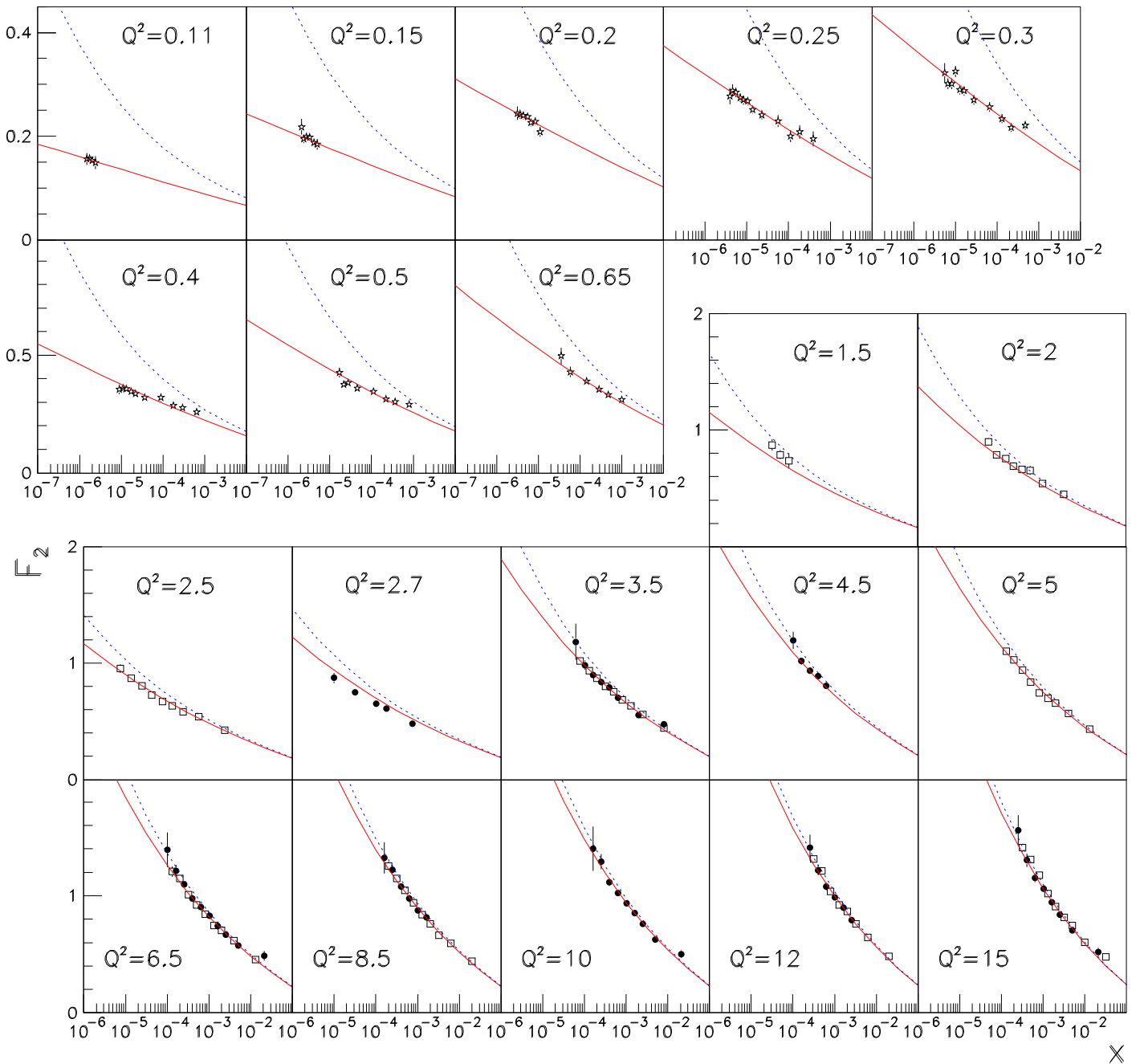
| $\mathcal{N}_0/\text{model}$ | $m_q = 50 \text{ MeV}$ |        |        | $m_q = 10 \text{ MeV}$ |        |        |
|------------------------------|------------------------|--------|--------|------------------------|--------|--------|
|                              | 0.5                    | 0.7    | 0.9    | 0.5                    | 0.7    | 0.9    |
| $\chi^2$                     | 148.02                 | 108.52 | 108.76 | 149.27                 | 107.64 | 106.49 |
| $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f}$        | 0.97                   | 0.71   | 0.71   | 0.98                   | 0.70   | 0.70   |
| $x_0 (\times 10^{-4})$       | 2.77                   | 0.898  | 0.333  | 3.32                   | 1.06   | 0.382  |
| $\lambda$                    | 0.290                  | 0.281  | 0.274  | 0.295                  | 0.285  | 0.276  |
| $R \text{ (fm)}$             | 0.604                  | 0.574  | 0.561  | 0.593                  | 0.566  | 0.554  |

Table 2: The CGC fits for three values of  $\mathcal{N}_0$  and quark masses  $m_q = 50 \text{ MeV}$  (left) and  $m_q = 10 \text{ MeV}$  (right).

| $\mathcal{N}_0$ | $\chi^2$ | $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f}$ | $x_0 (\times 10^{-4})$ | $\lambda$ | $R \text{ (fm)}$ | $\gamma$ |
|-----------------|----------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------|------------------|----------|
| 0.7             | 215.70   | 1.42                  | 3.79                   | 0.313     | 0.572            | 0.845    |

Table 3: A 4 parameter fit for geometric scaling + saturation.

# The CGC fit



☆ ZEUS 1996 low  $Q^2$   
 □ H1 1996  $\times 1.05$   
 ● ZEUS 1996

— CGC with  $N_0=0.7$  and  $m_q=140$  MeV  
 - - - BFKL without saturation

# The CGC fit

