

# Multiple Interactions in Perturbative QCD

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## Introduction

Multiple interactions are present in high energy hadronic collisions:

HERA -  $\gamma^* p$

Tevatron -  $\bar{p}p$

LHC -  $pp$

RHIC -  $pN, NN$ .

Multiple interactions in pQCD: need a hard scale,

e.g. double inclusive production of jets, heavy flavor etc; small  $x$ ; underlying event structure

Enters the interface between pQCD (collinear factorization) and strong interactions.

In the following:

Discuss multiple interactions at HERA and at LHC.

(Close connection with heavy-ion physics, not this talk).

Theoretical remarks.

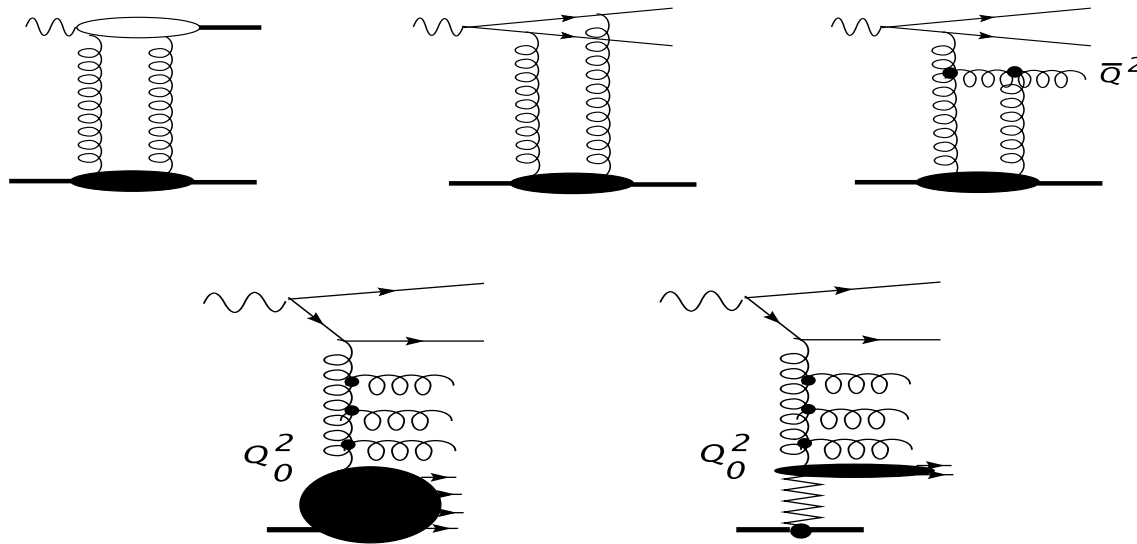
## Multiple scattering at HERA

Direct evidence of multiple scattering at low  $Q^2$ , small  $x$ :

1) photoproduction, jets.

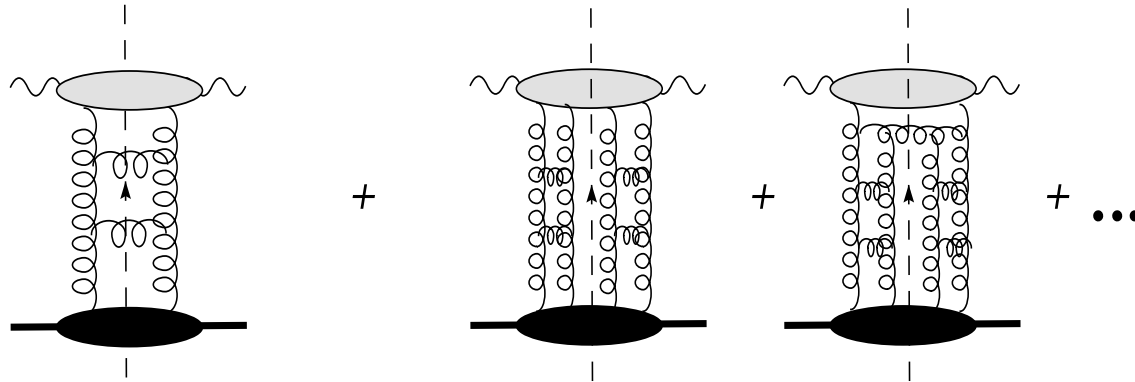
2) DIS diffraction at small  $x$ :

diffractive production of (heavy) vector mesons, of dijets,...: 'nothing below scale  $\bar{Q}^2$ ':  
cannot be part of DGLAP evolution (if initial scale  $Q_0^2 < \bar{Q}^2$ ):



Consequence for  $F_2$ :

DGLAP is not enough, add this part of diffractive final states:



Example of multiple scattering. Higher twist, but:  
two large momentum scales ( $Q^2$ ,  $\bar{Q}^2$ ), small- $x$  enhancement).

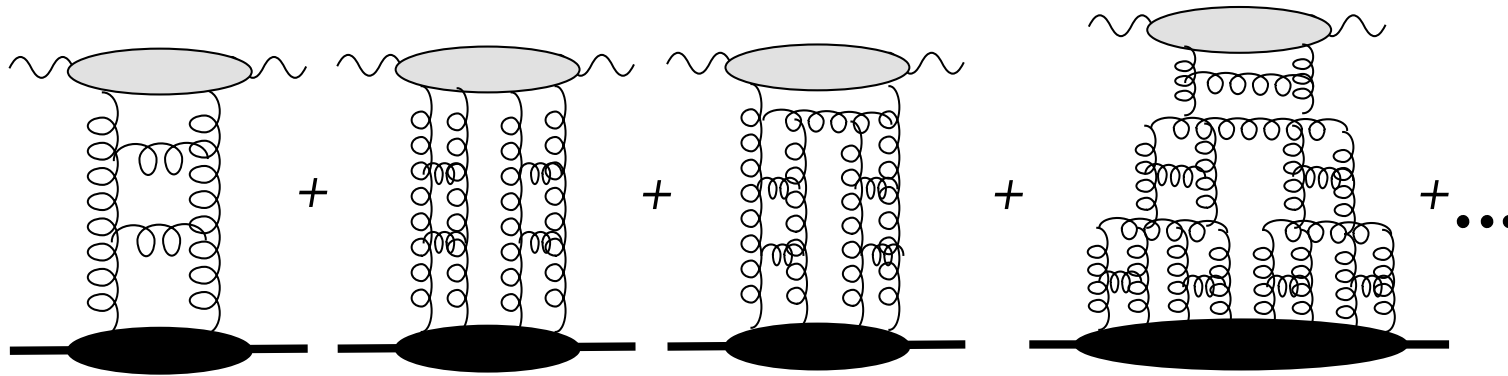
How big? Studies/models based upon AGK cutting rules: [Martin, Ryskin, Watts; Kowalski:](#)

No quantitative conclusion,

but: worry about the accuracy of DGLAP at low  $Q^2$  and small  $x$ .

Look for a theoretical framework where all contributions can be accommodated.

Saturation: continue summing multiple interactions



→ Nonlinear evolution equation (GLR, BK, JIMWLK... ).  
 Coupling to proton is model-dependent (initial conditions).  
 Solutions exhibit saturation: scale  $Q_s(x)$ .

Signals at HERA (Golec-Biernat, Wüsthoff,... ):

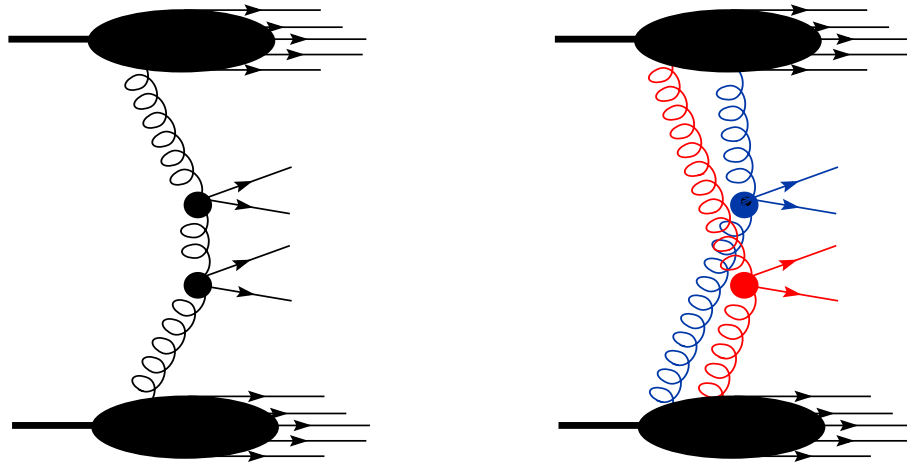
- Successful fits to  $F_2$ .
  - Geometric scaling:  $F_2(x, Q^2) = F_2(Q^2/Q_s^2(x), Q_s^2(x))$ ,  $Q_s^2(x) = Q_0^2(1/x)^\lambda$ ,  $\lambda = 0.2 \dots 0.3$ .
  - constant ratio of cross sections:  $\sigma_{diff}^{\gamma^*p} / \sigma_{tot}^{\gamma^*p}$ .
- Not a 'proof of saturation', but a 'strong hint'.

## Multiple Interactions at the LHC

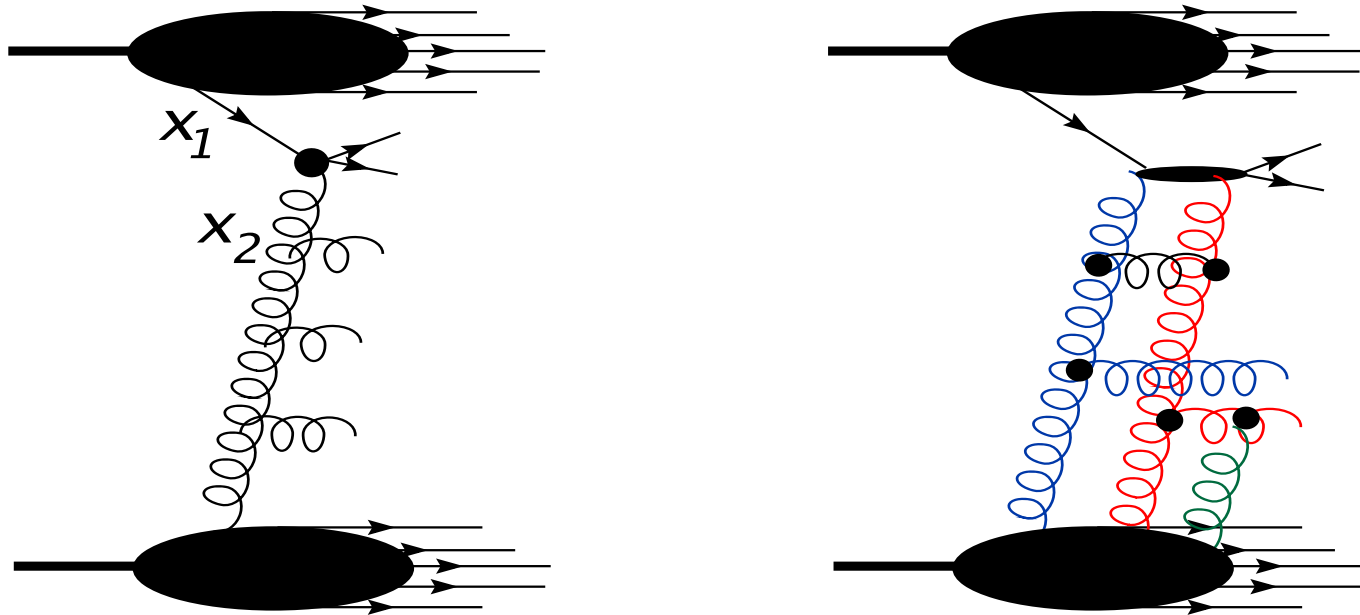
Where does one expect multiple interactions:

1) Underlying event (Monte Carlo)

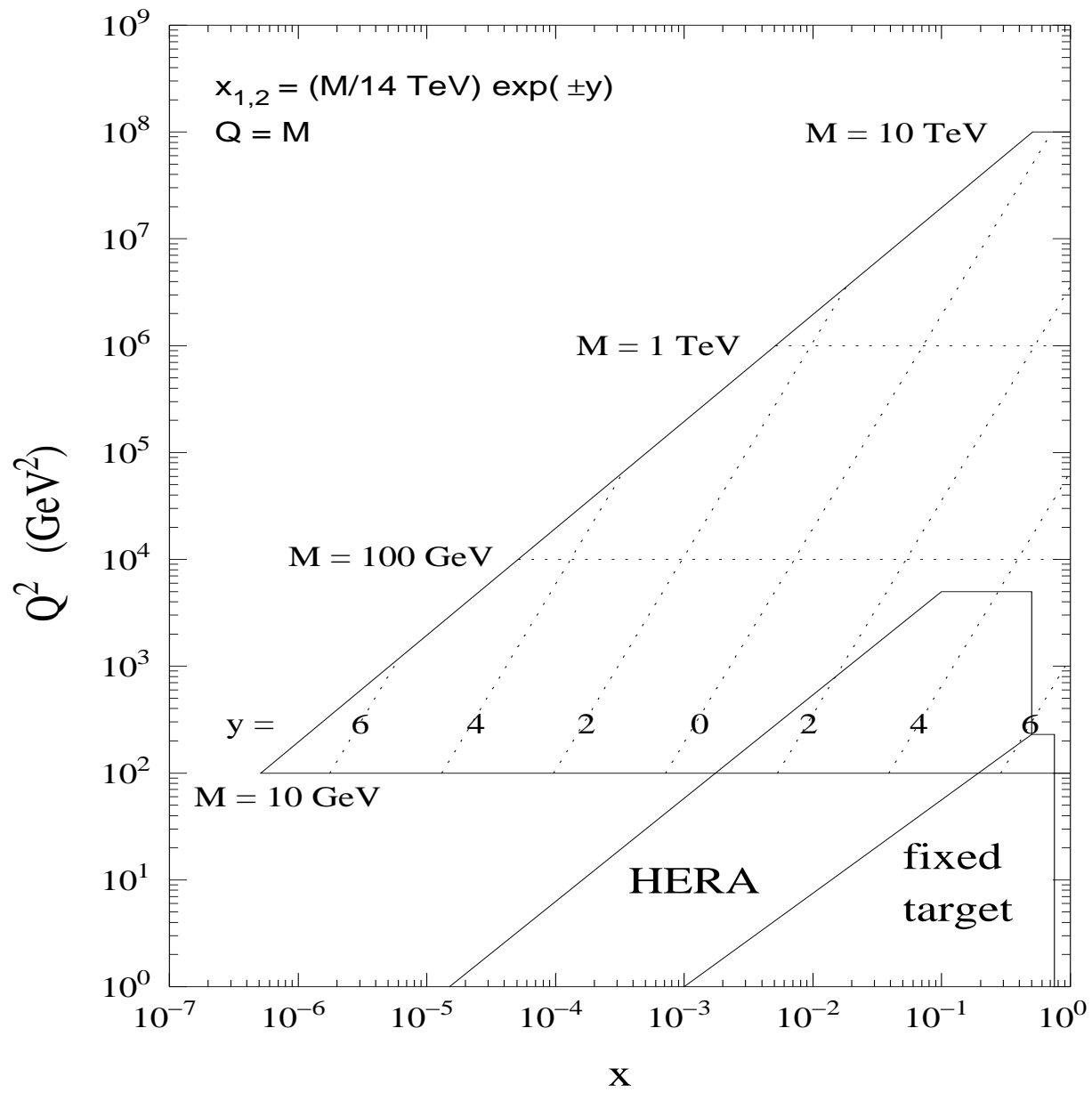
2) multi-jet final states (background to new physics), contributions from different chains to the same jet:



3) Jets (heavy flavour) close to the forward direction:  $x_2 \ll x_1$ :



Probes the small- $x$  'corner' in the LHC-kinematic plot:



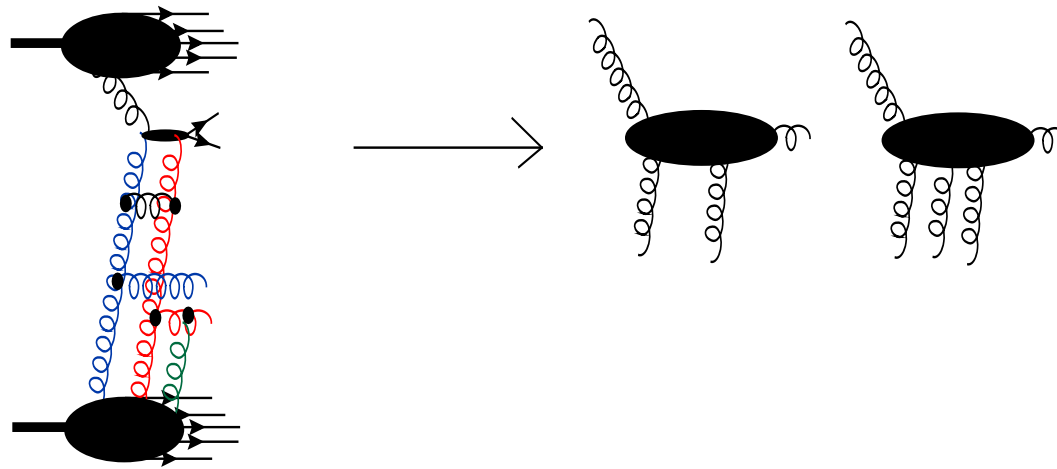


## Remarks about the theory of multiple scattering

1) Perturbative part based upon QCD reggeon field theory (Gribov's reggeon calculus).

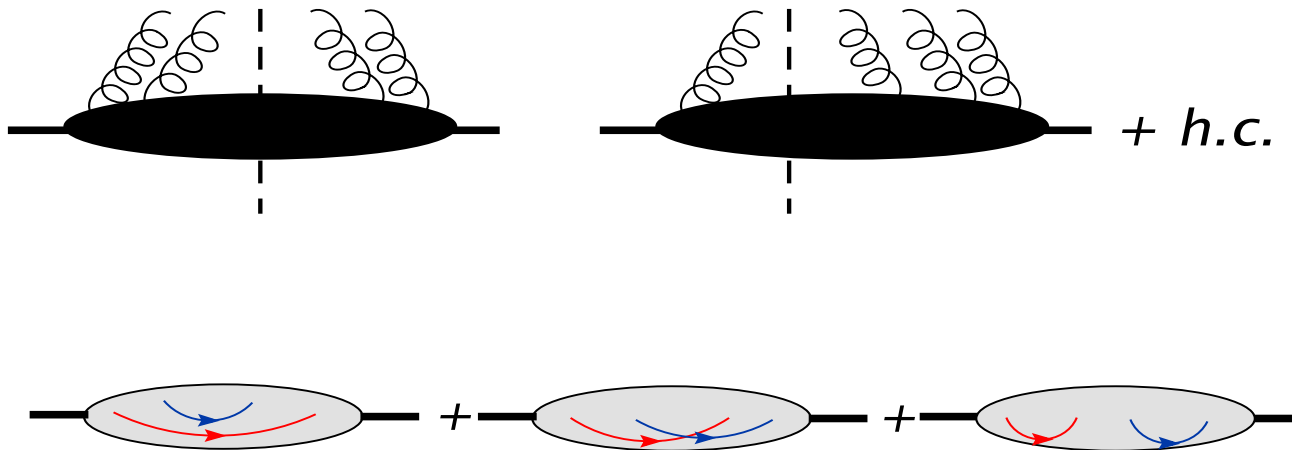
Known building blocks: reggeized gluons, BFKL kernels,  $2 \rightarrow 4$  gluon vertex,...

New building blocks: production vertex (Braun; JB, Salvadore, Vacca )



DIS results cannot directly be used. Is there an analogue of the dipole picture?

2) Nonperturbative coupling to the proton:  
correlators = double parton densities + interference terms;  
symmetry (color connections):

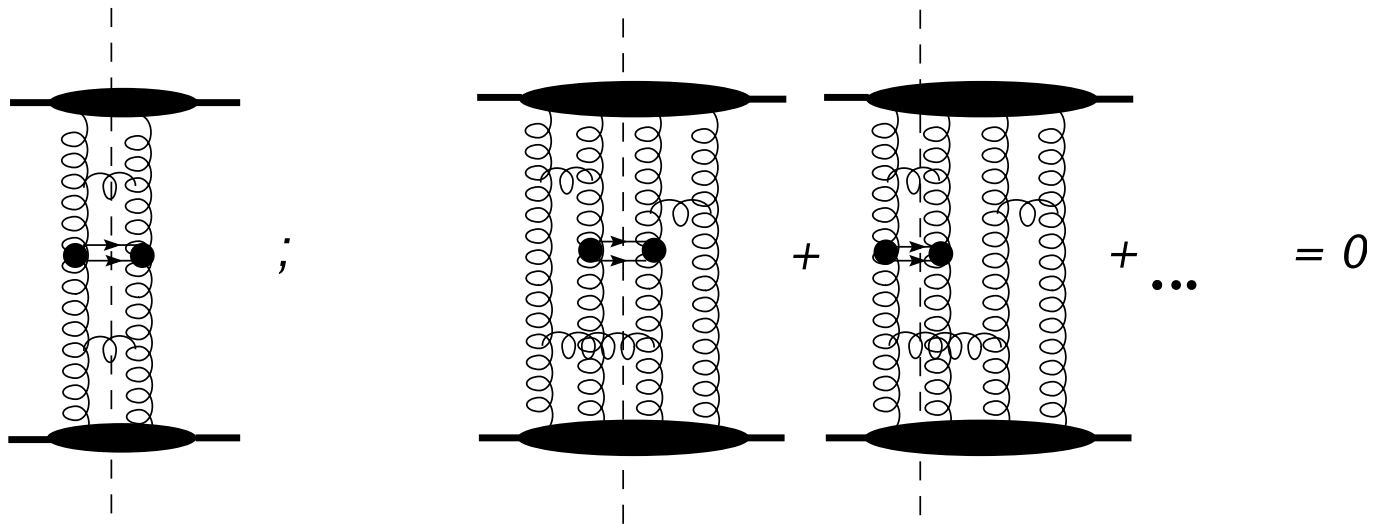


(Regge) factorization: couplings universal (consistency: HERA and LHC/Tevatron)

3) AGK rules in pQCD: (JB,Ryskin; JB,Salvadore,Vacca )

Mention a few results:

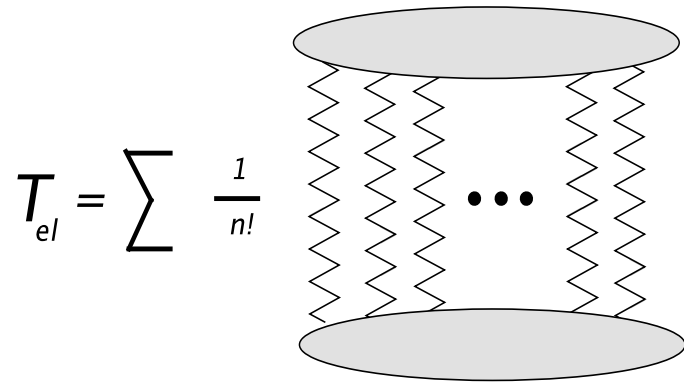
(a) in inclusive cross section (one jet-pair, two jet-pairs..):  
 rescattering corrections (soft and hard) cancel, e.g. one jet-pair:



Consistent with collinear factorization. Generalize to two jet pairs.

b) Multiple Chains:

Simple model: eikonal type  $\rightarrow$  Poisson distribution of cut ladders



$$T_{el} = \sum \frac{1}{n!}$$

$$\sigma_k = 4is \int d^2b e^{iqb} P_k(s, b)$$

$$P_k(s, b) = \frac{\Omega(s, b)^k}{k!} e^{-\Omega(s, b)}$$

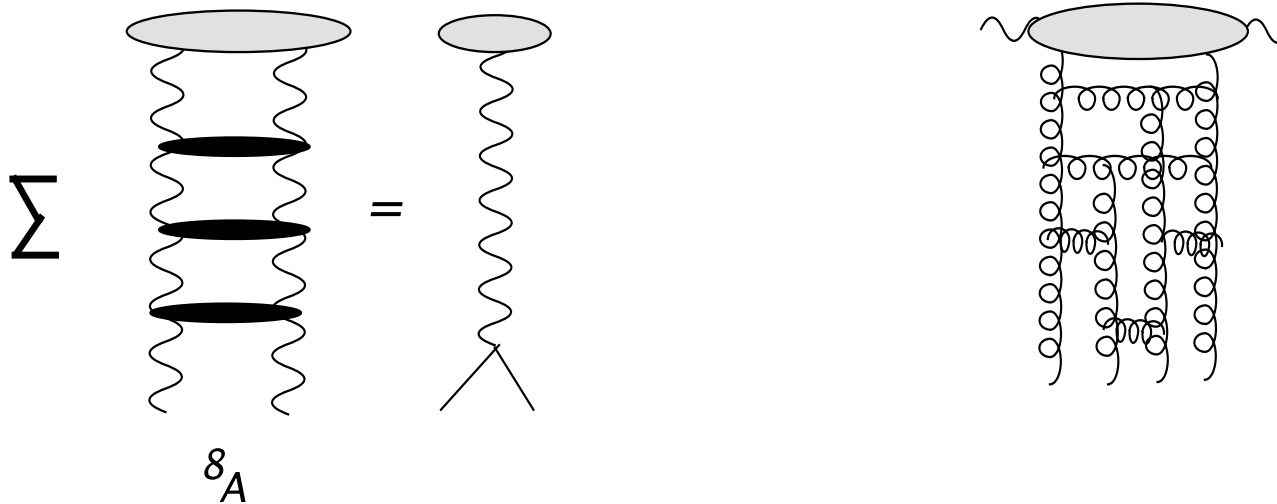
Consistency between cut ladder and rescattering function  $\Omega$ .

Different counting for jet-inclusive cross sections.

Symmetry requirement for cut ladders.

Deficiency of eikonal: no high mass diffraction

c) in a more general multi-chain diagram:  
 gluon reggeization makes life complicated (contained, but not foreseen in **AGK** paper).  
 Particularly disturbing in DIS:

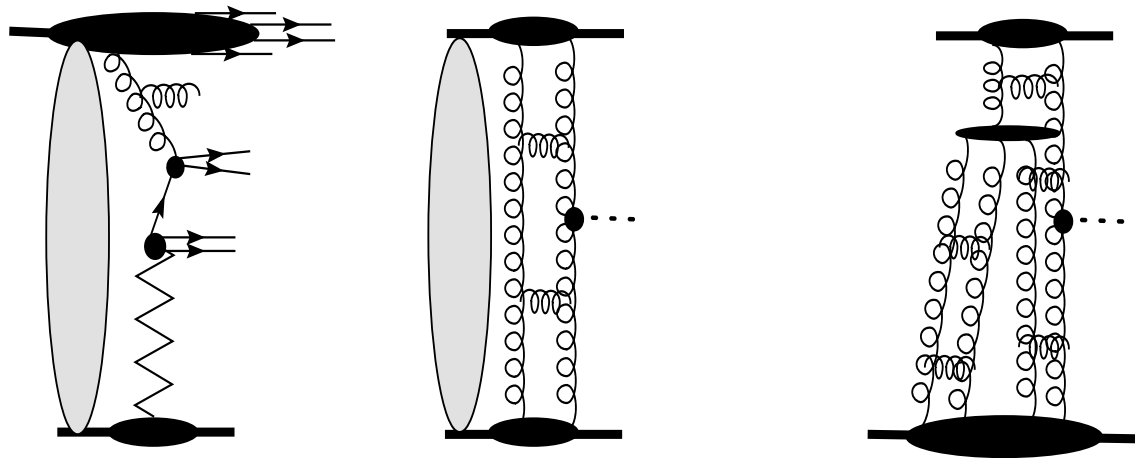


Diagrams contain  $\delta_A$  channels, need to be separated, satisfy AGK for odd signature reggeons.

Consequence: cannot directly use the famous AGK rule ( $1 + 2 - 4 = -1$ ) for DIS diffraction.

## Next Step: Hard Exclusive Final state

Exclusive final states (rapidity gaps) in  $pp$  scattering need rescattering (survival factor).  
Standard method: eikonal corrections (low mass diffraction of proton).  
Examples: diffractive parton densities, diffractive Higgs production:



Rescattering goes across very large rapidity ( $y > 12$ ),  
could contain hard pieces (high mass diffraction) (JB, Bondarenko, Motyka).  
Test: compare diffractive densities at HERA and Tevatron.

## Conclusions

So far:

- multiple interactions are present at HERA and at LHC/Tevatron:  
lie on the interface between pQCD and strong interactions
- have to be taken into account
- include computable pQCD elements plus modelling.  
couplings/initial conditions: there are constraints which have to be observed.

What should/will be done in the future:

- presumably cannot stop at two chains (DIS: nonlinear equations;  $pp$ : new chapter)
- QCD reggeon field theory: identify sequence of approximations
- next step of complexity: exclusive production (e.g. diffractive Higgs)
- NLO calculations (fermions!)