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Further questions/comments: 

Work from O. G-M, 2608.XXXXX

And partially based on various works *in collaboration with*
H. Elfner, J. Zhu and S. Schlichting, including
Phys.Rev.C 109 (2024) 4, 044916, *Phys.Rev.D* 111 (2025) 7, 076029,
and **O.G-M., Zhu, 2608.XXXX.** among some others



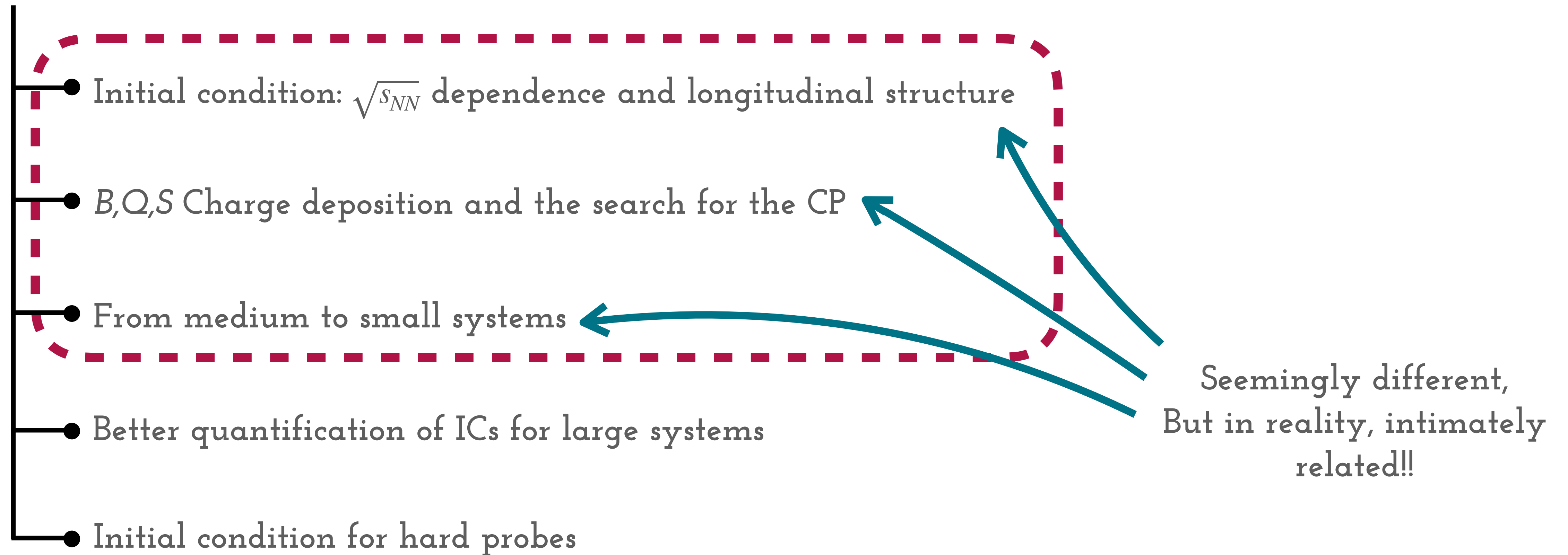
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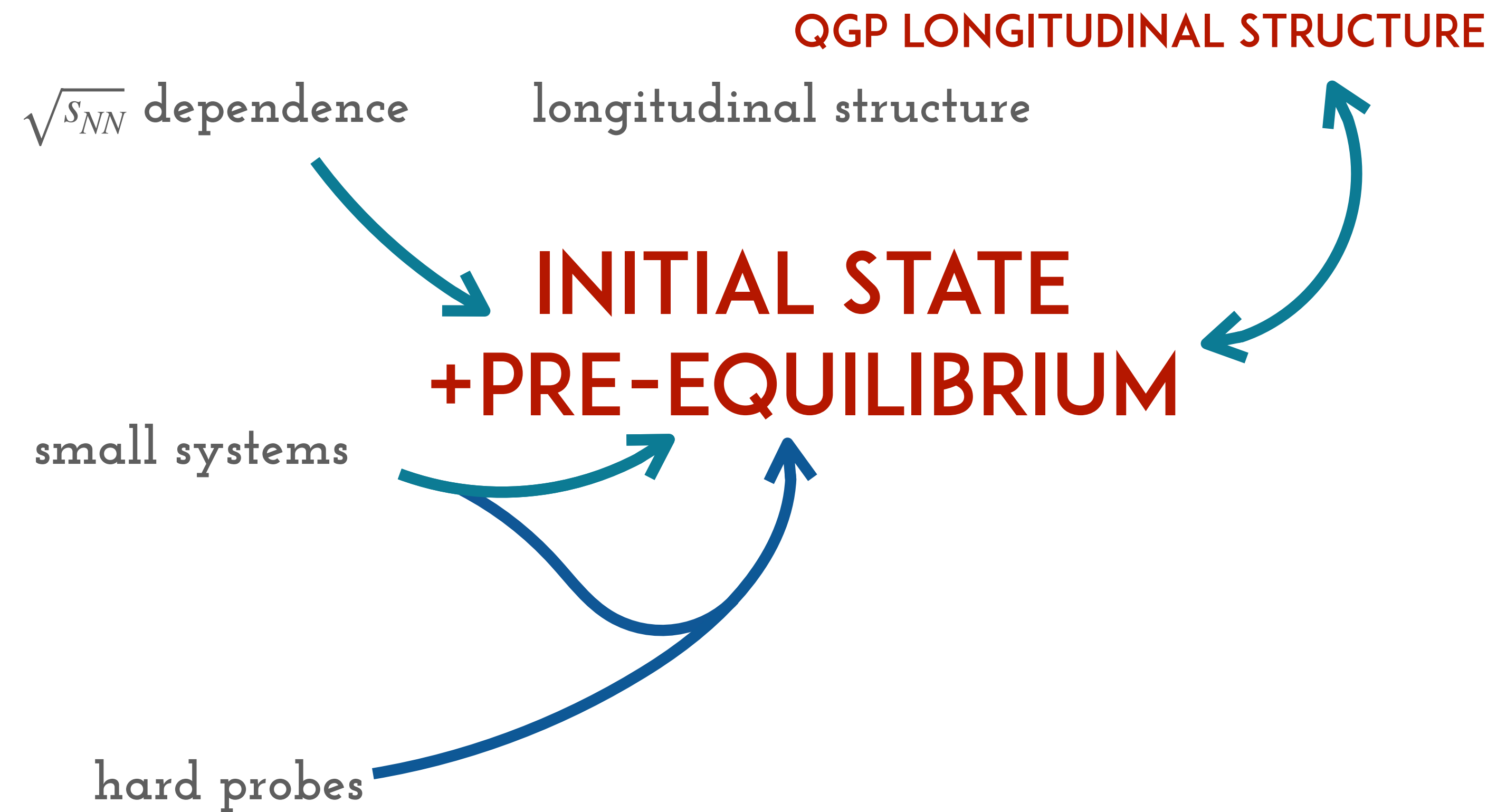
- Initial condition: $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ dependence and longitudinal structure
- B, Q, S Charge deposition and the search for the CP
- From medium to small systems
- Better quantification of ICs for large systems
- Initial condition for hard probes

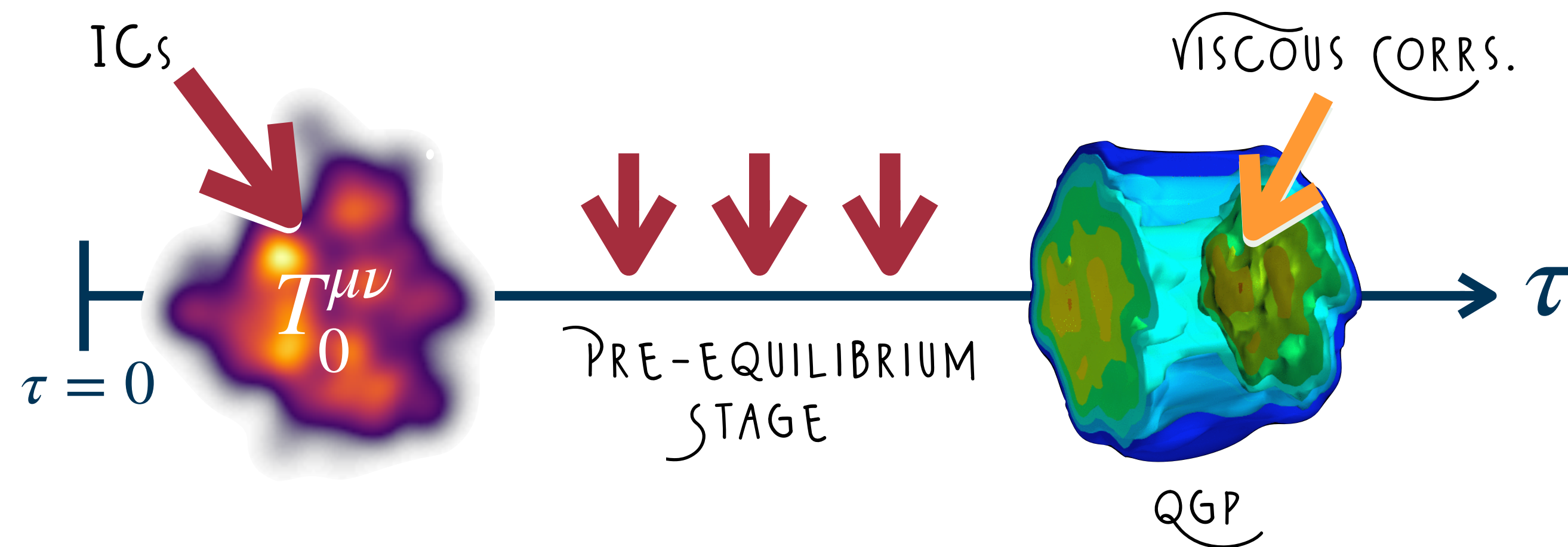
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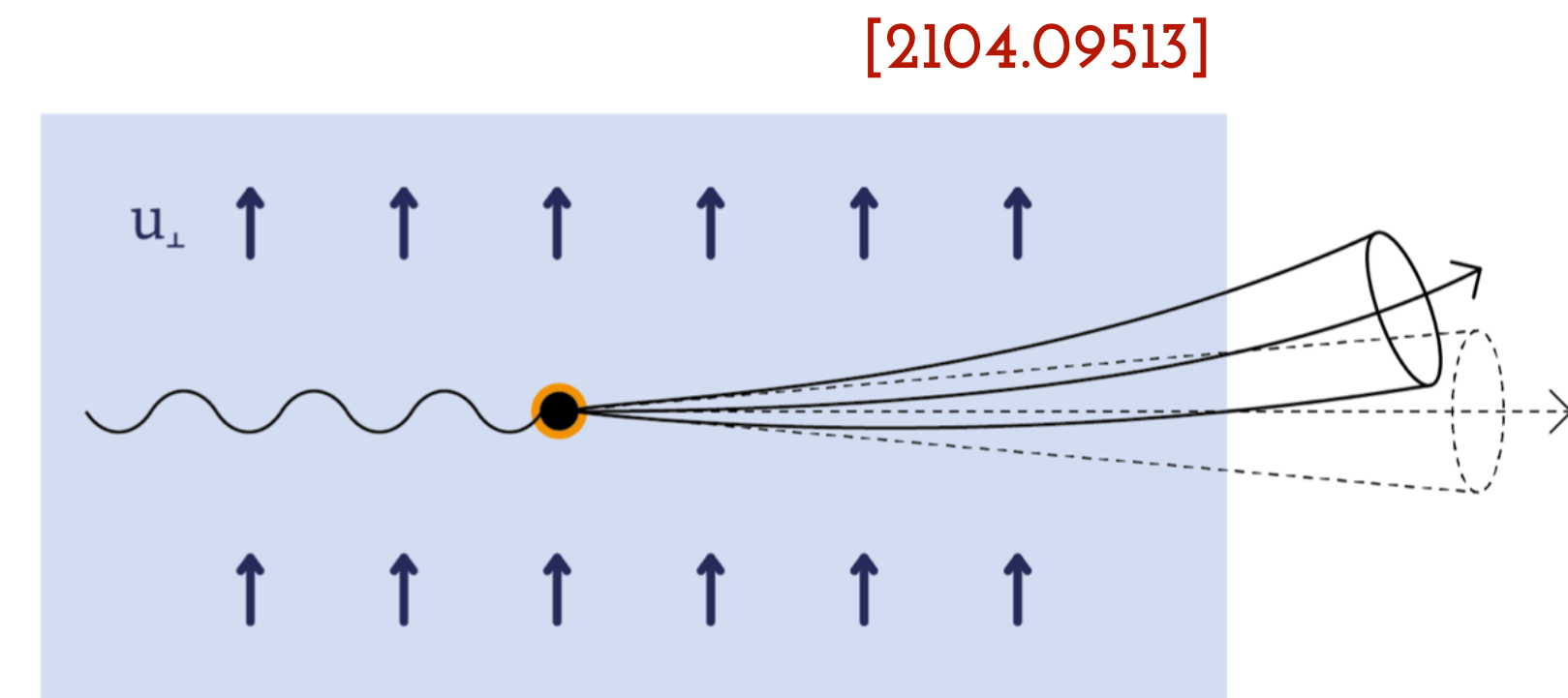


By momentum conservation we know that transverse velocity is created through gradients

$$\frac{1}{\tau} \partial_\tau (\tau T^{\tau i}) = -\partial_j T^{ji}$$

Additionally, transverse anisotropies in the energy-stress tensor accumulate in the shear tensor

$$T^{ij} - P\delta^{ij} \rightarrow \pi^{ij}$$



[See Jo's talk. Mon. 10am]

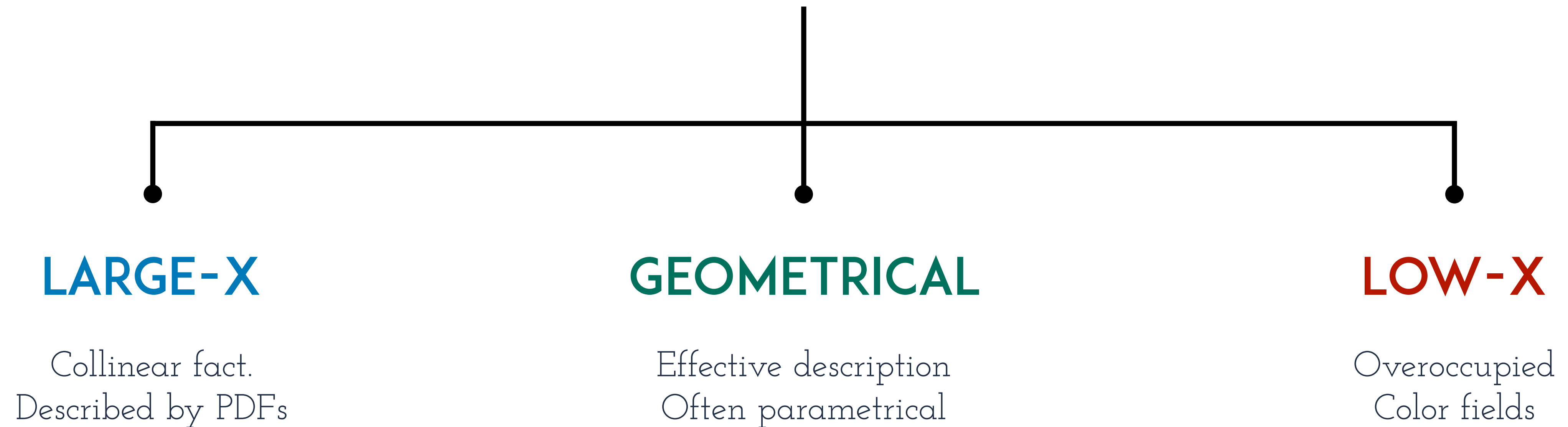
$$\delta \hat{q}^{ij} = \boxed{\alpha \pi^{ij}} + \boxed{\beta \delta^{ij} \hat{n}^a \hat{n}^b \pi_{ab}} + \boxed{+ \gamma \left(\hat{n}^i \pi^{ja} \hat{n}_a + \hat{n}^j \pi^{ia} \hat{n}_a + \hat{n}^i \hat{n}^j \hat{n}^a \hat{n}^b \pi_{ab} \right)}$$

arXiv:2605.12791 [hep-ph]

[See Isabella's talk. Tue. 9am]

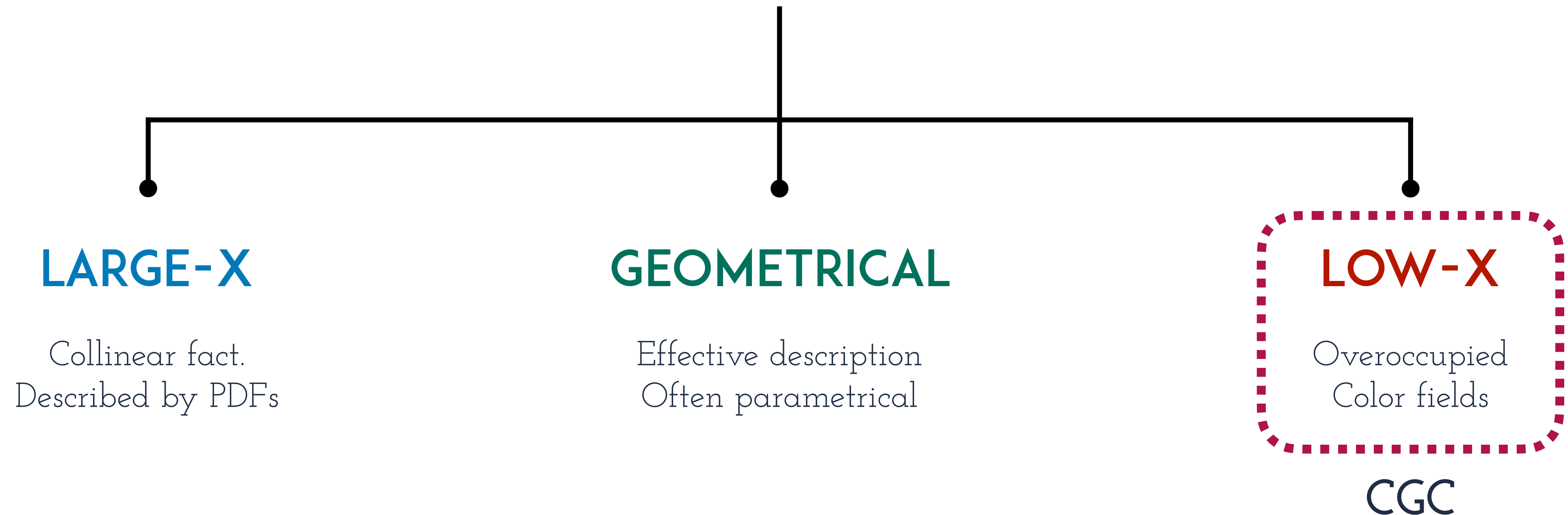
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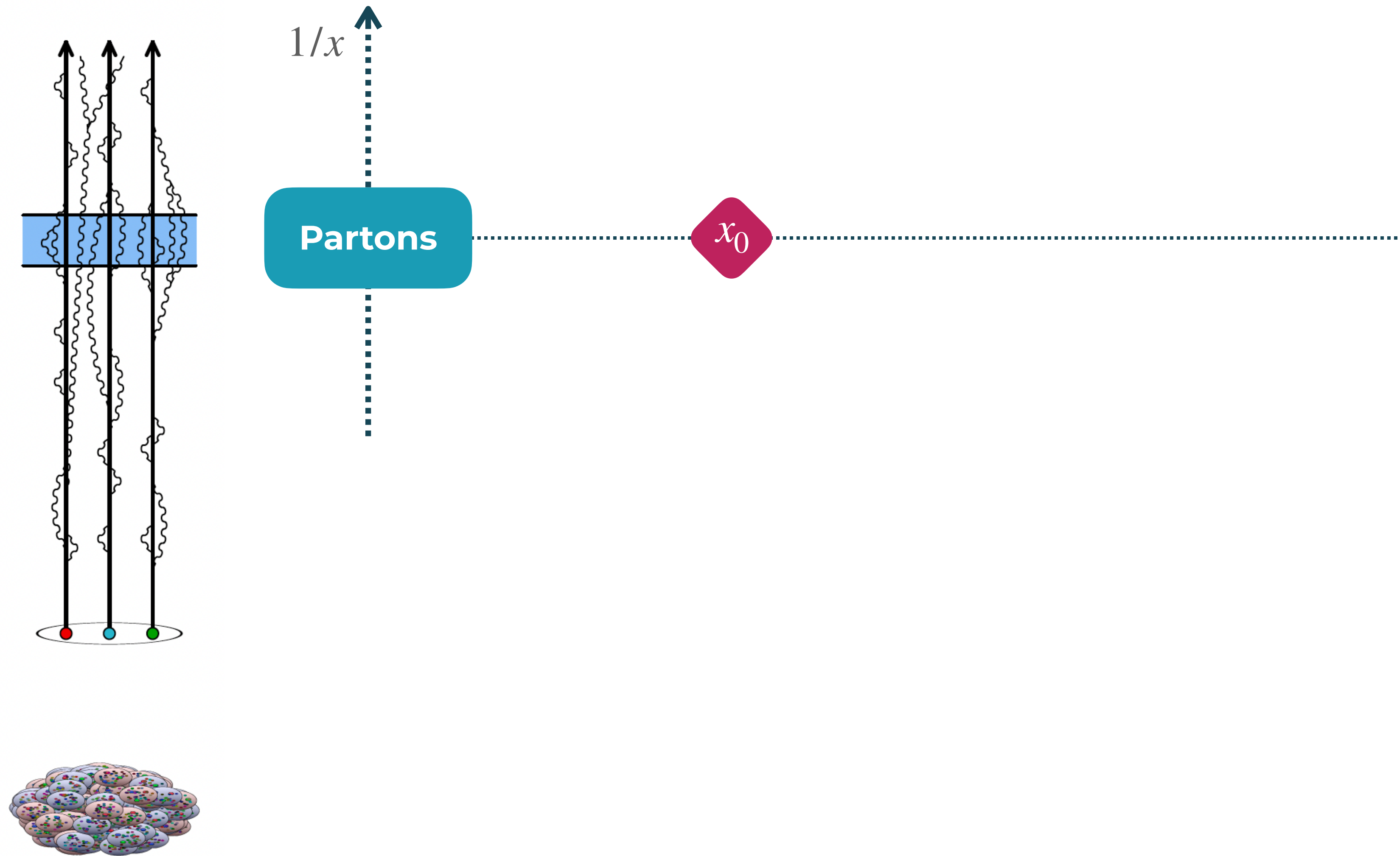


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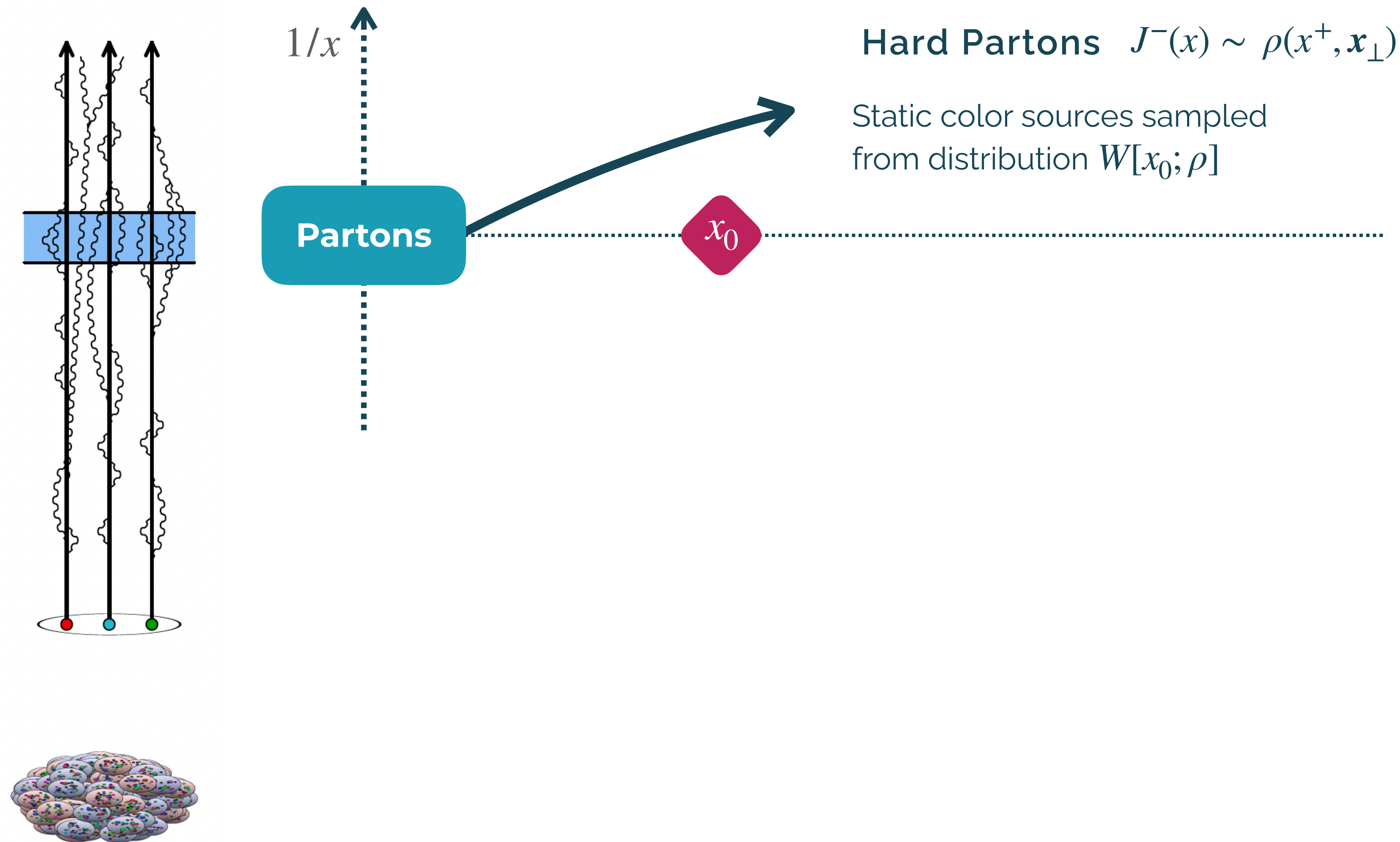
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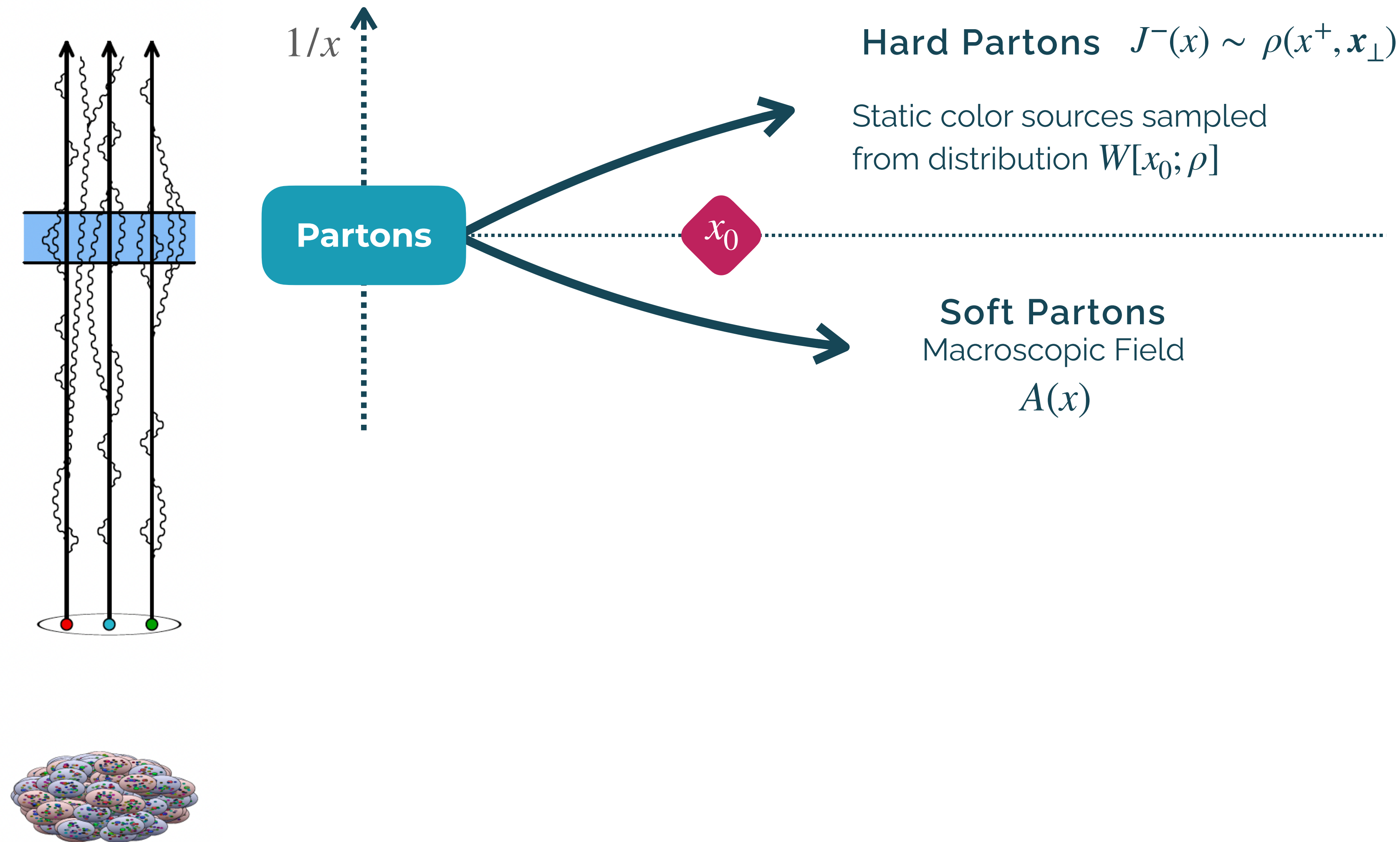
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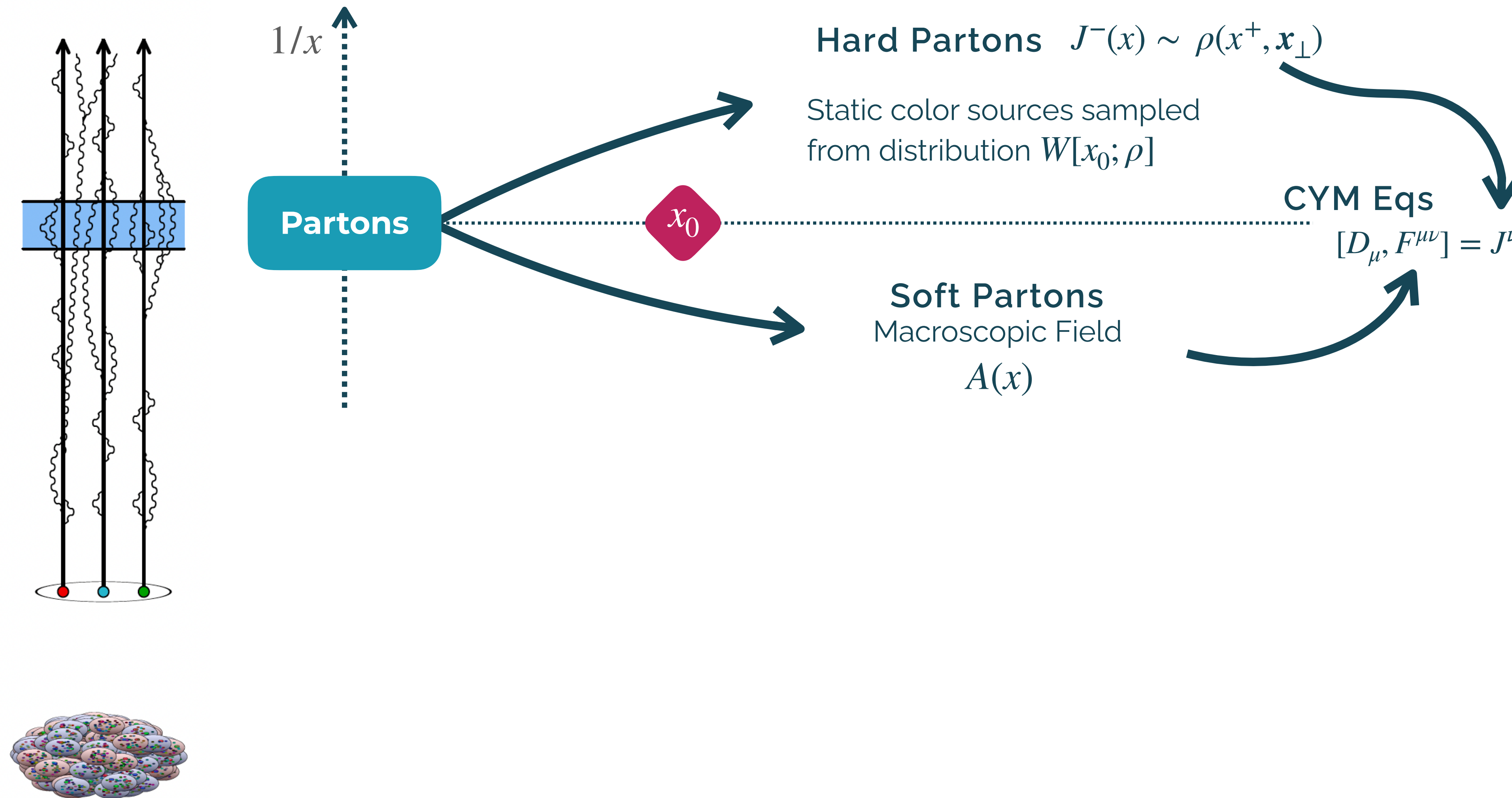
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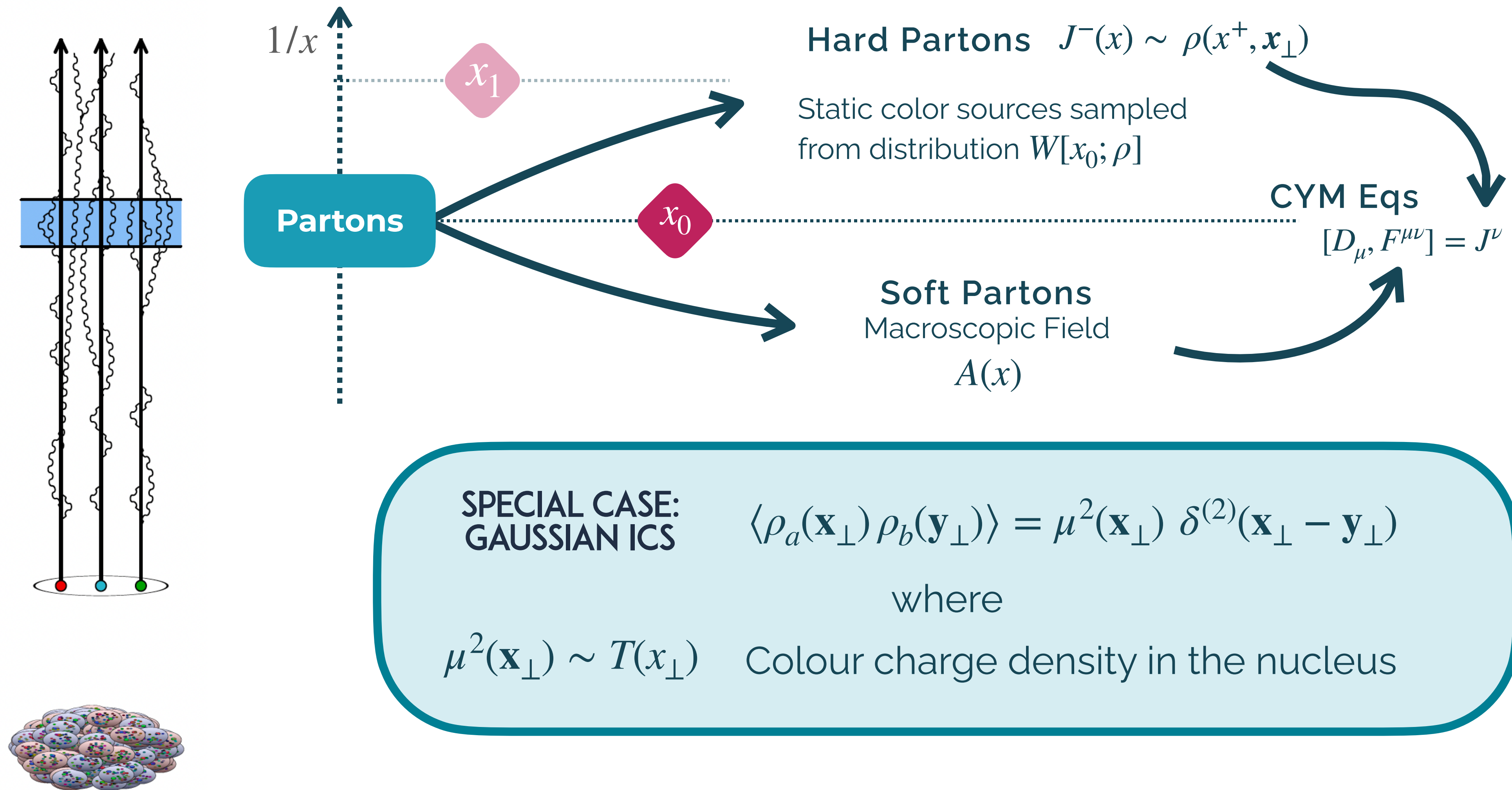
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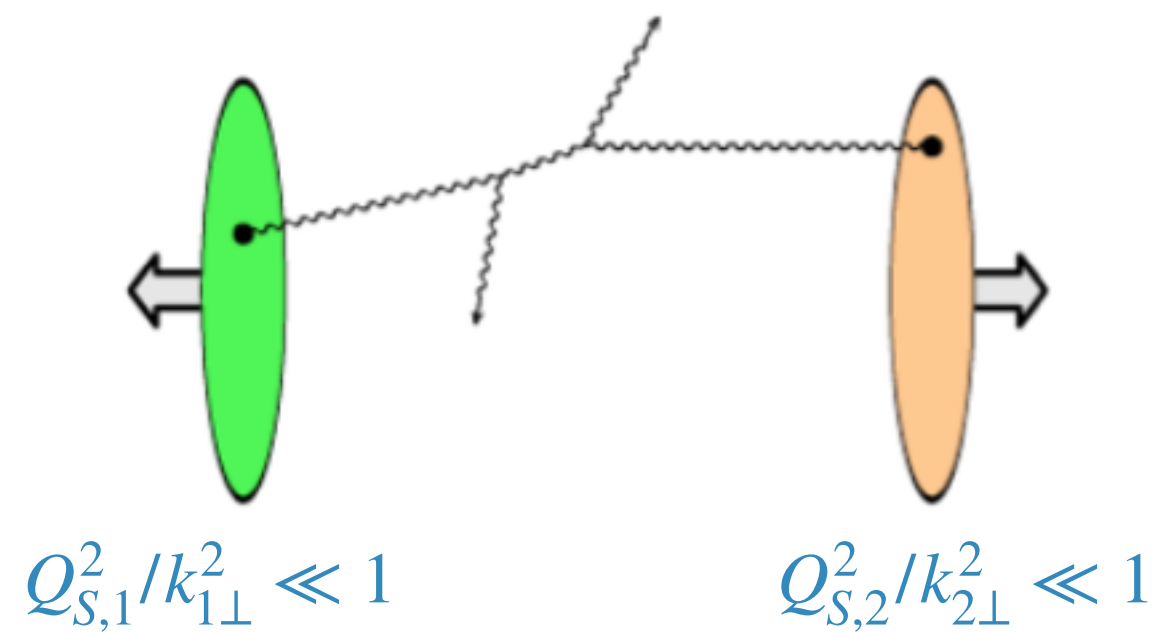


POWER-COUNTING IN THE CGC

WHICH APPROXIMATION?

Depends on $\sqrt{s}$, A_1/A_2 , centrality, rapidity range, and k_T of particles

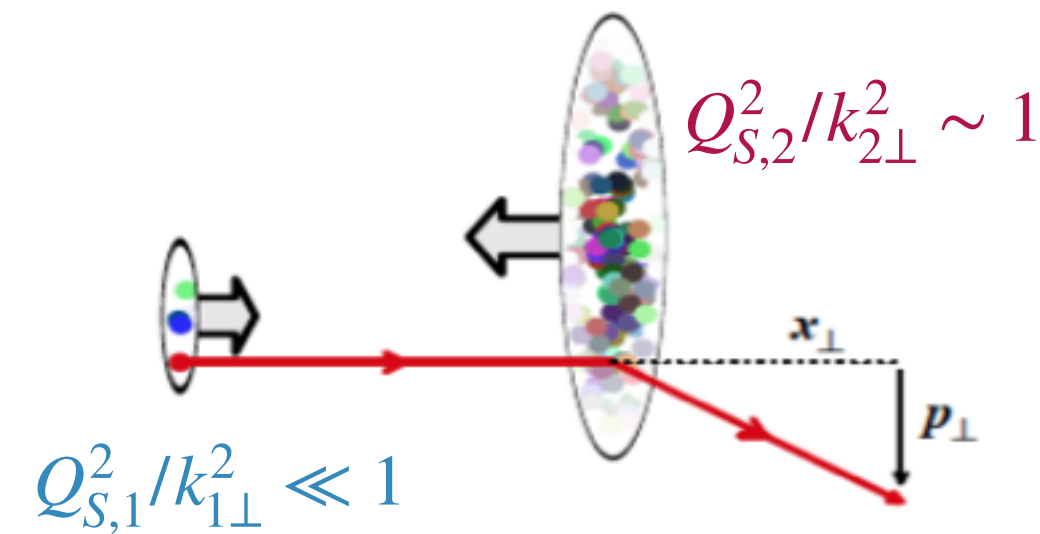
DILUTE-DILUTE



$$gA_{1,2} \ll 1, \text{ so that LO: } \langle \hat{O} \rangle_x \sim \mathcal{O}(\rho_1 \rho_2)$$

Match pQCD computations in the collinear limit ($k_\perp/Q_S^2 \gg 1$)

DILUTE-DENSE



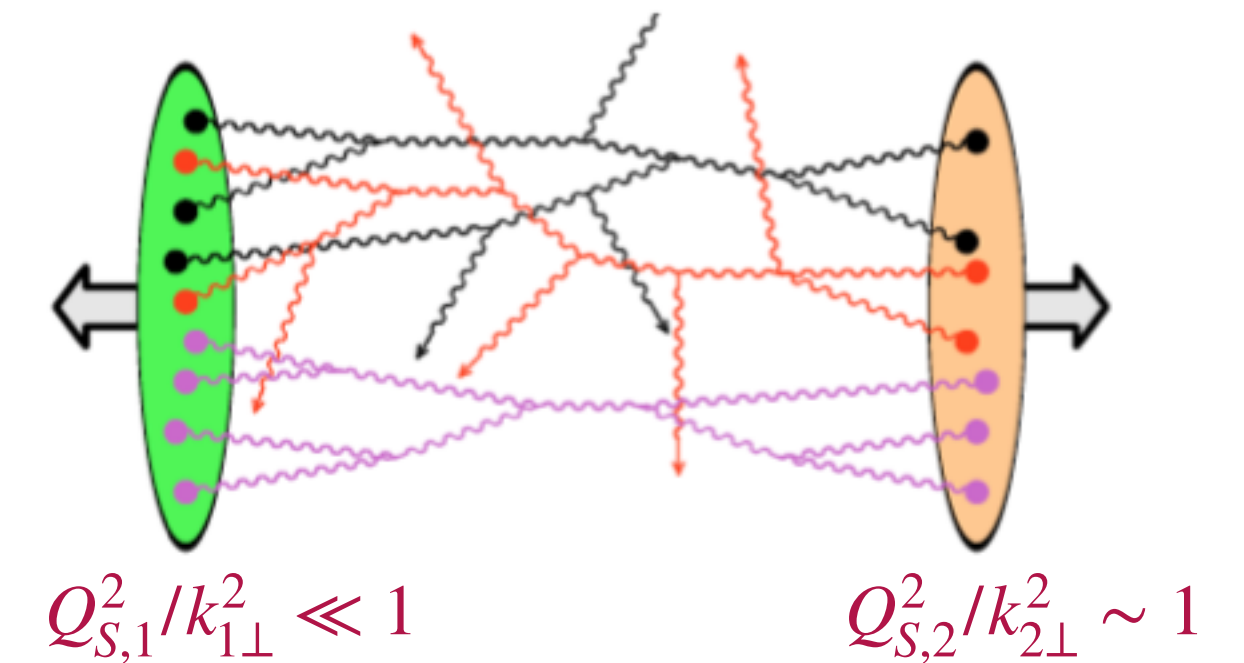
$$\langle \hat{O} \rangle_x \sim \mathcal{O}(\rho_1) \text{ all orders in } \rho_2$$

Forward limit: hybrid factorization.
pQCD projectile PDFs + CGC target unintegrated gluon distribution.



Search for saturation: Probing a nuclear target with ind. partons!

DENSE-DENSE



$$gA_{1,2} > 1 \implies \langle \hat{O} \rangle_x \text{ all orders in } \rho_1 \text{ and } \rho_2$$

Analytically intractable:
CYM equations in 3+1 (2+1) D,
numerically solved

DENSE-DENSE: IP-GLASMA

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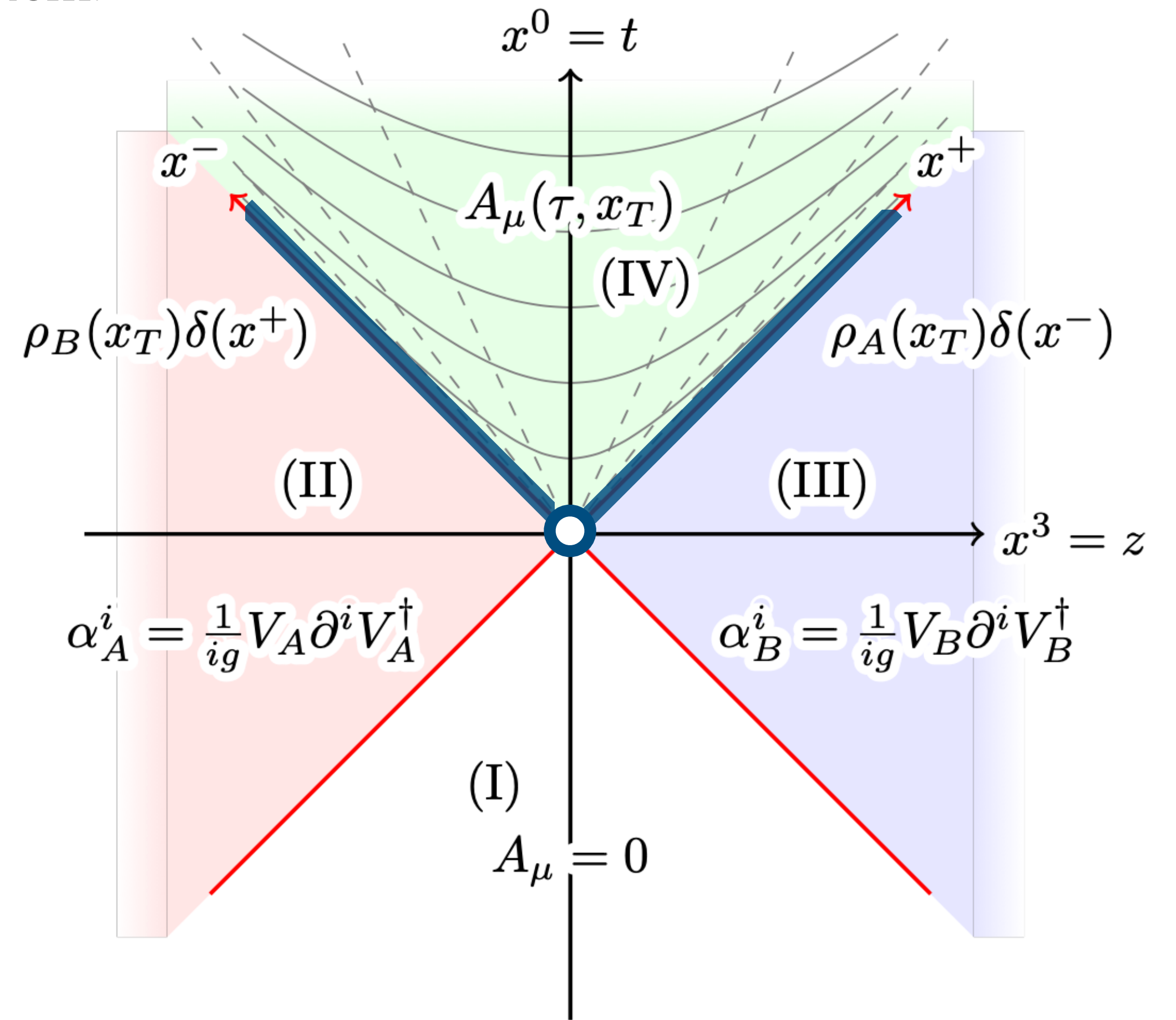
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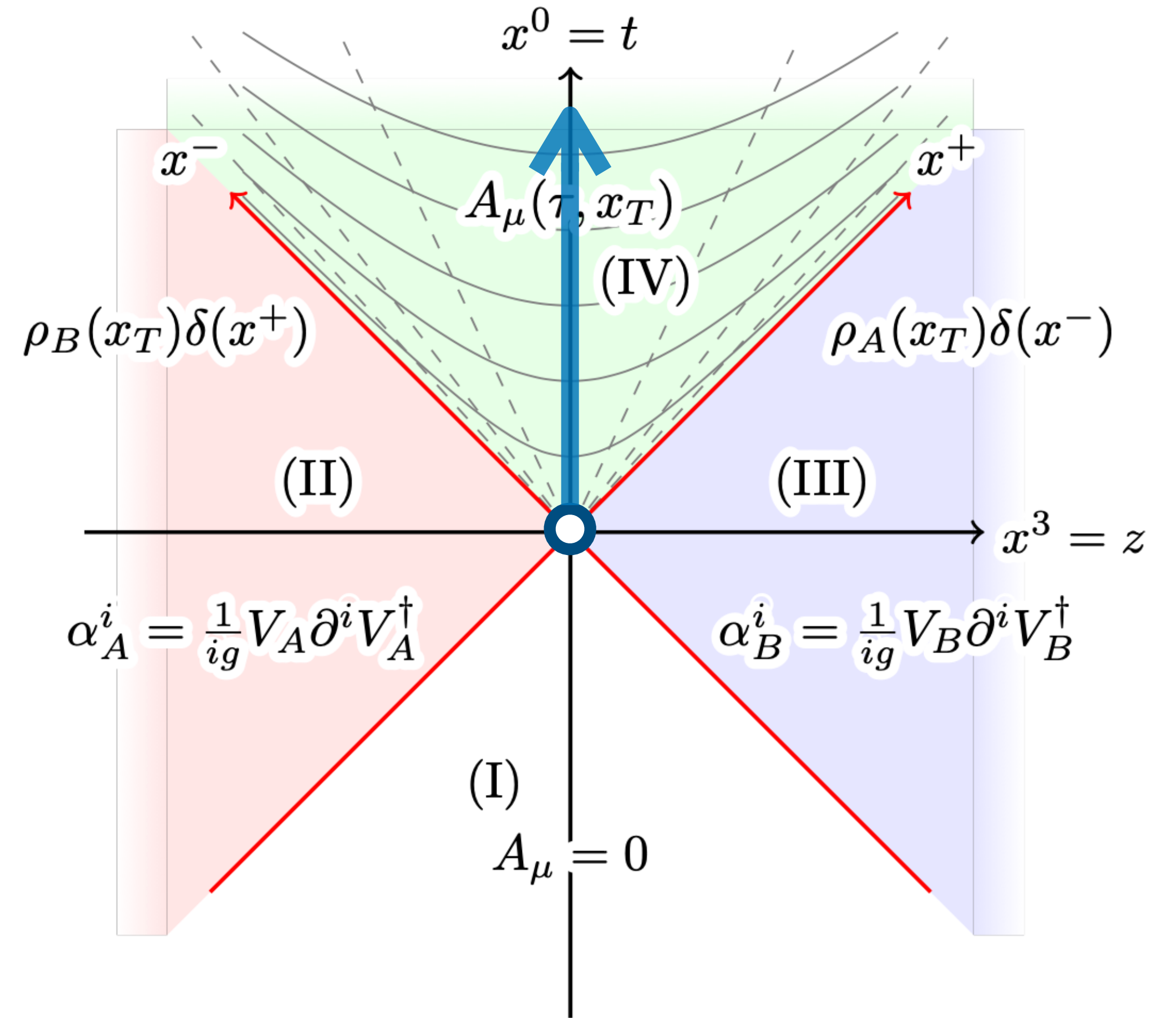
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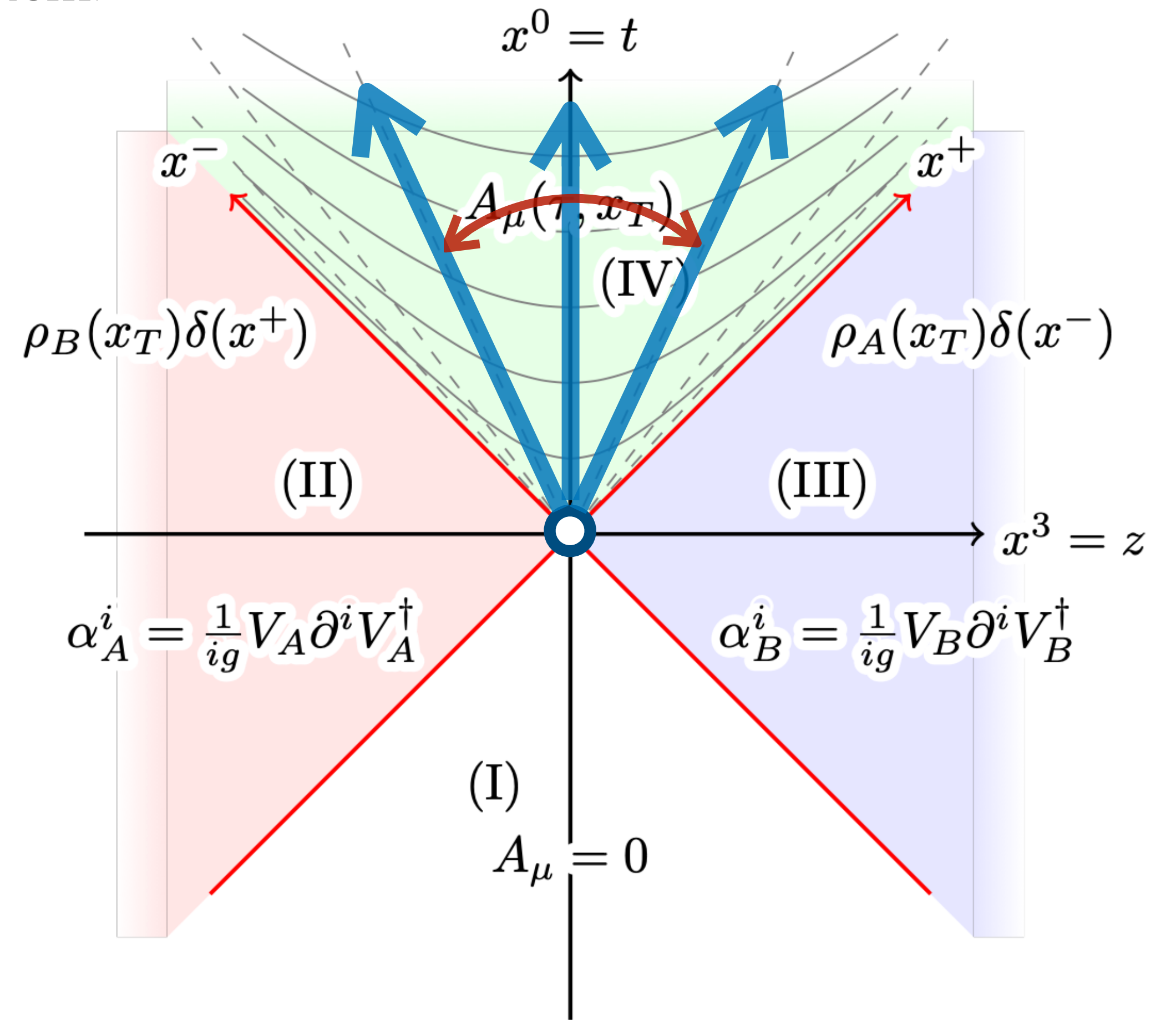
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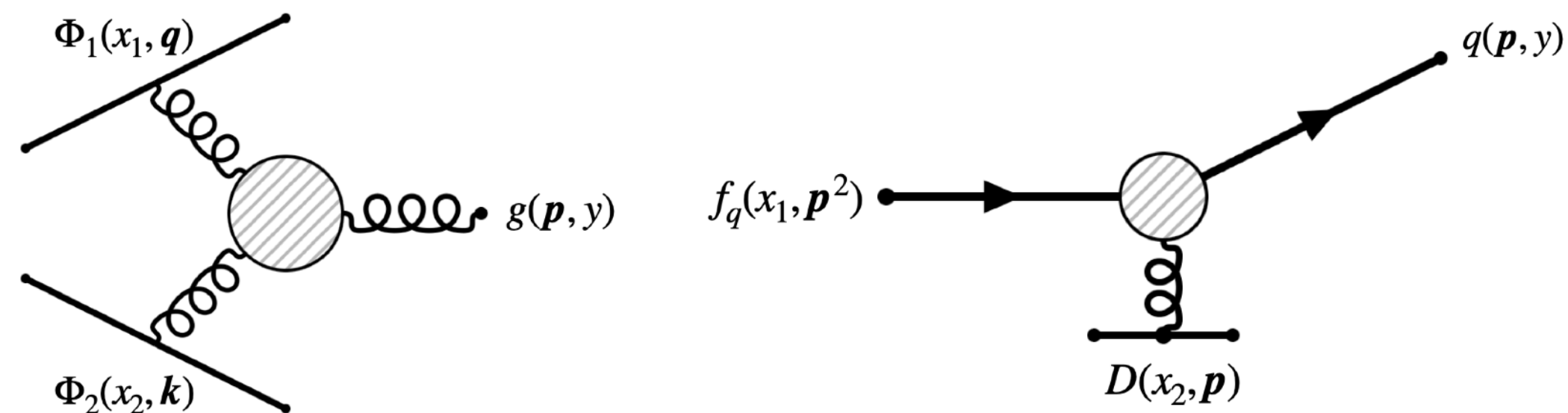
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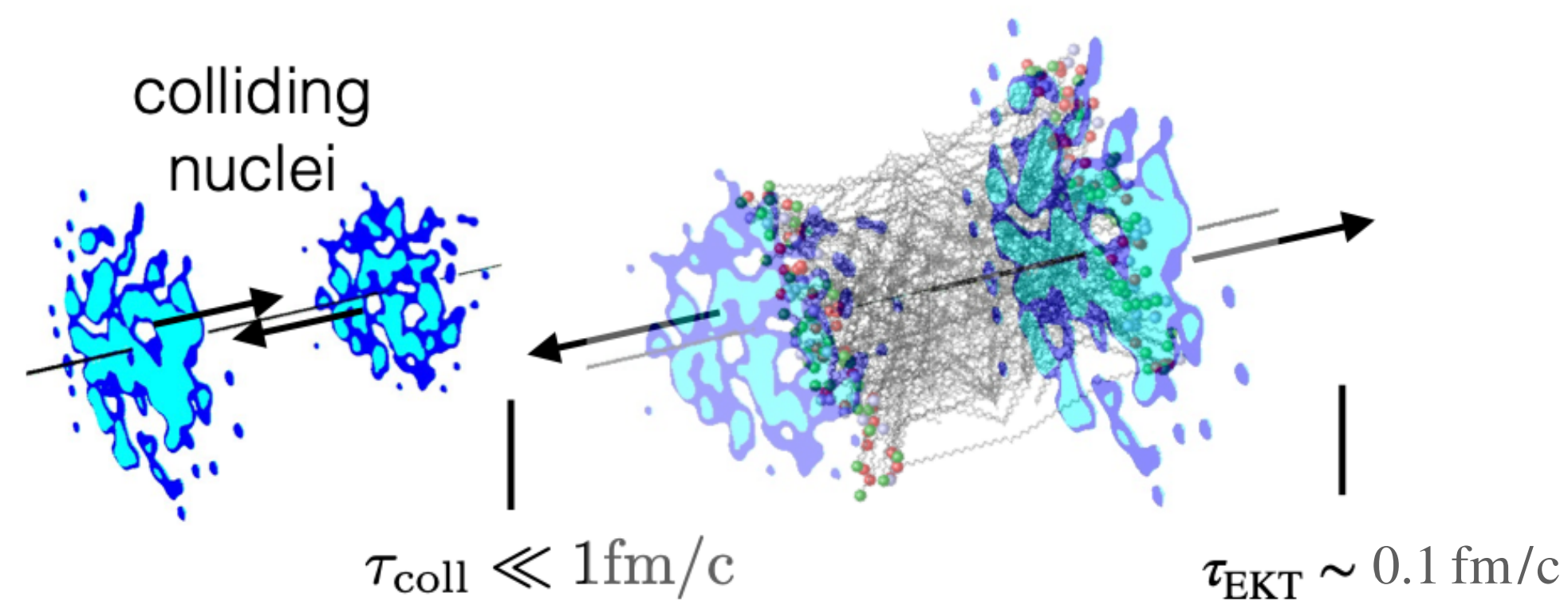
NOTE: EXTENSION TO 3D IS NOT TRIVIAL



RAPIDITY RESOLUTION $\leftrightarrow$ LONG. RESOLUTION



Perturbative expansion on the sources allows simple kinematics, connection $x \leftrightarrow y$ straightforward



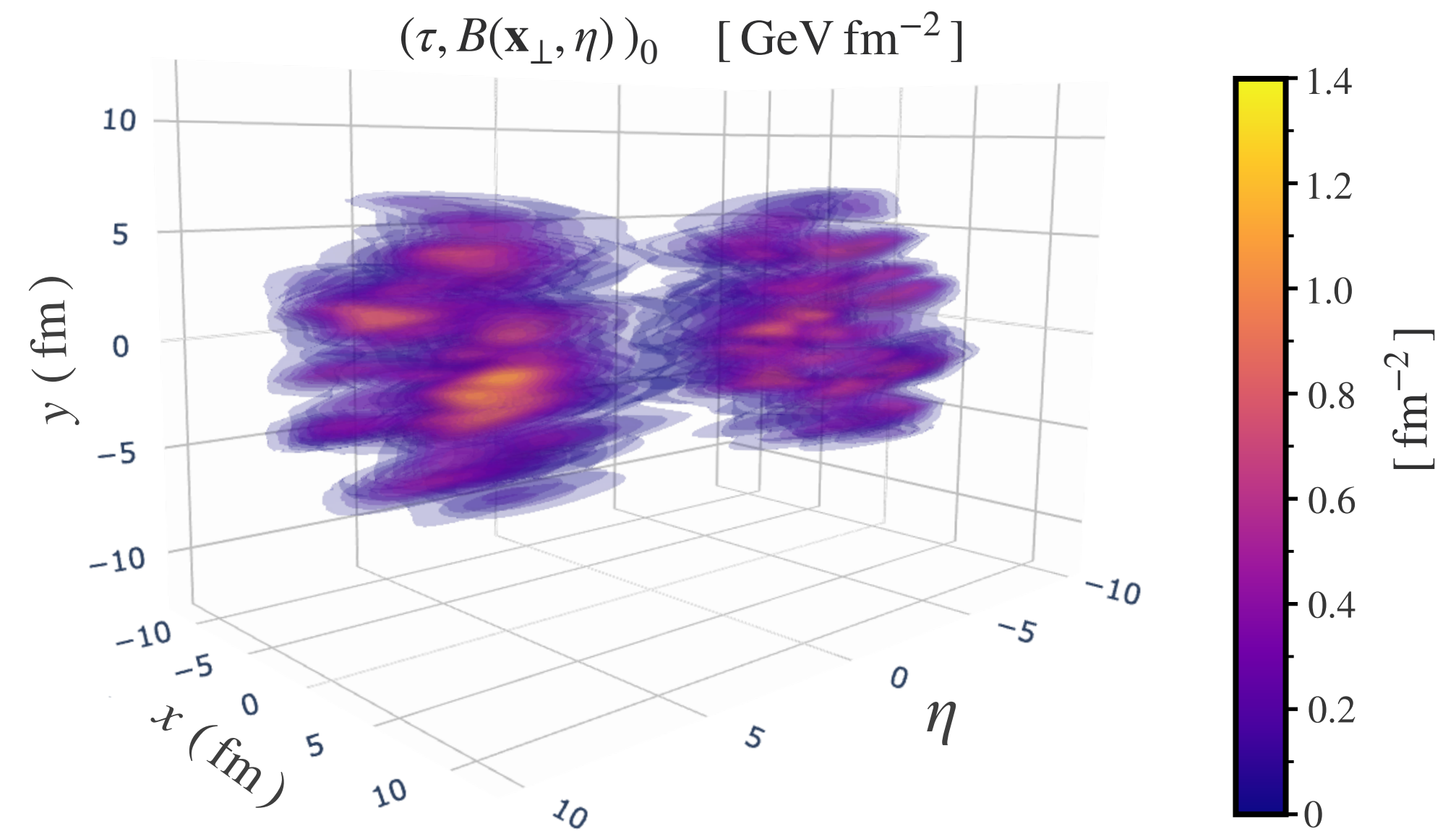
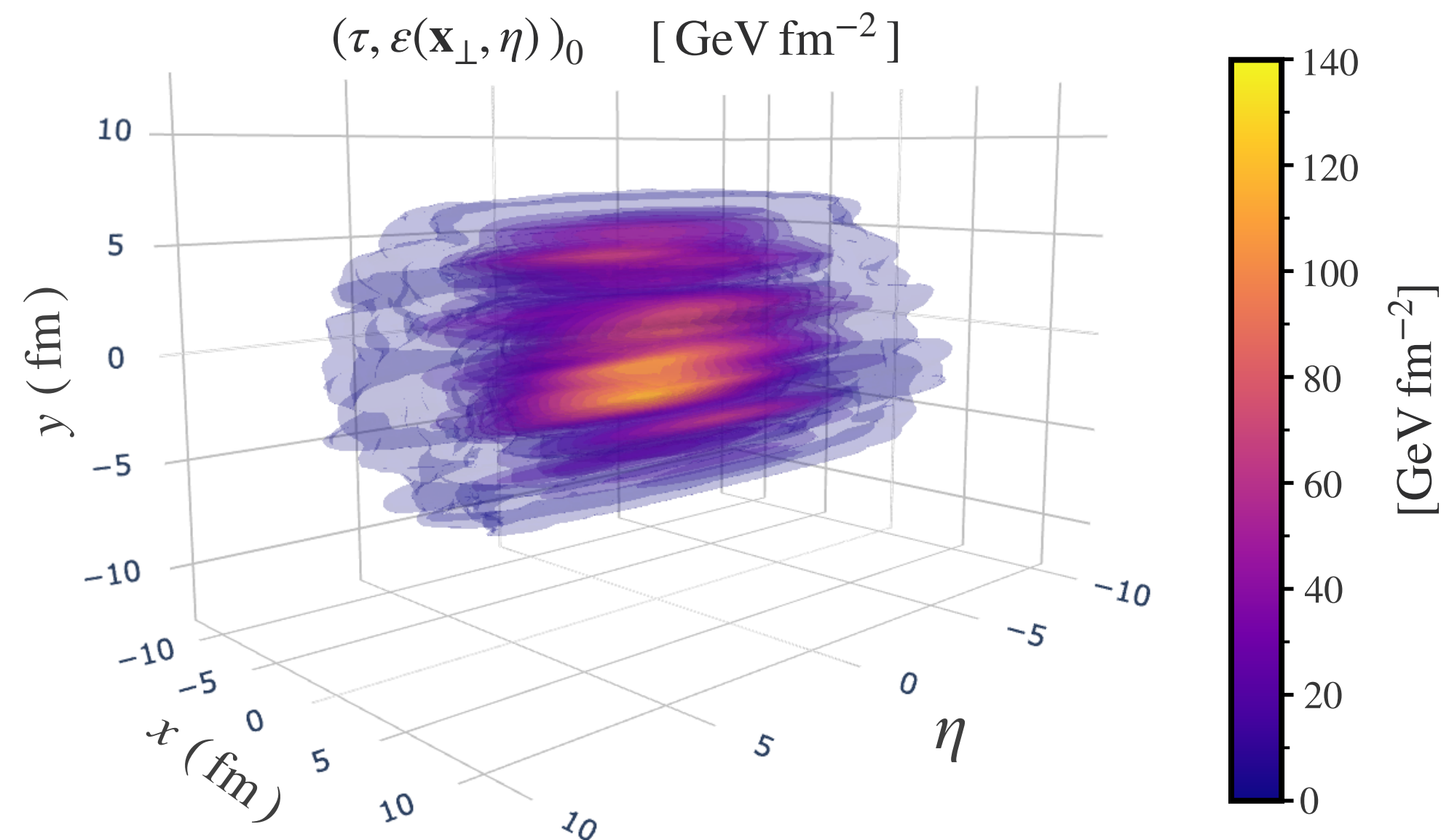
Every contribution of sources taken on account, solvable numerically, but connection $x \leftrightarrow y$ is very complex

CGC IN 3D: THE McDIPPER

Monte-Carlo Dipole Parallel Event GeneRator

Framework for comparison of saturation model predictions and creation of IC for HE
Heavy-Ion Collisions

Perturbative realisation of the LO glasma graph + Baryon stopping by CGC



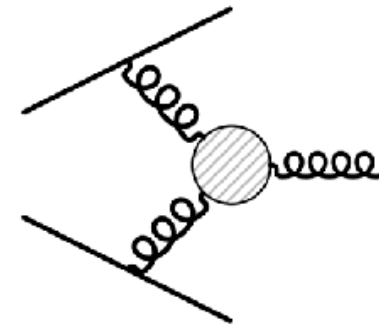
FROM MICRO TO MACRO

CONSERVED CHARGE DEPOSITION FROM THE CGC FORMALISM

- Low- x gluons dominate the midrapidity region

$$\frac{dN_g}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy} = \frac{g^2}{8\pi^5 C_F \mathbf{p}^2} \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^2} (2\pi)^2 \delta(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{p})$$

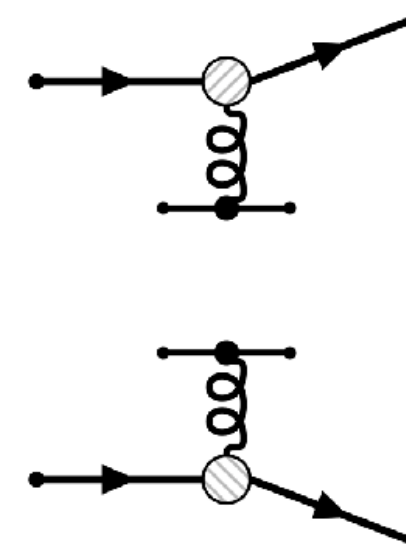
$$\times \Phi_1(x_1, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{q}) \Phi_2(x_2, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k})$$



- At forward/backward rapidities, particle production dominated by baryon stopping

$$\frac{dN_{q_f}}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy} = \frac{x_1 q_f^A(x_1, \mathbf{p}^2, \mathbf{x}) D_{\text{fun}}(x_2, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p})}{(2\pi)^2}$$

$$+ \frac{x_2 q_f^A(x_2, \mathbf{p}^2, \mathbf{x}) D_{\text{fun}}(x_1, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p})}{(2\pi)^2}.$$



THE INPUT

Low- x gluons

uGDFs $\rightarrow \Phi_i(x, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{q}) \sim q^2 D_{\text{adj}}(x, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{q})$

Dipoles $\rightarrow D_{\text{adj}}(x, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{q}) , D_{\text{fun}}(x, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{q})$

└ GBW, IP-Sat, MV...

High- x partons

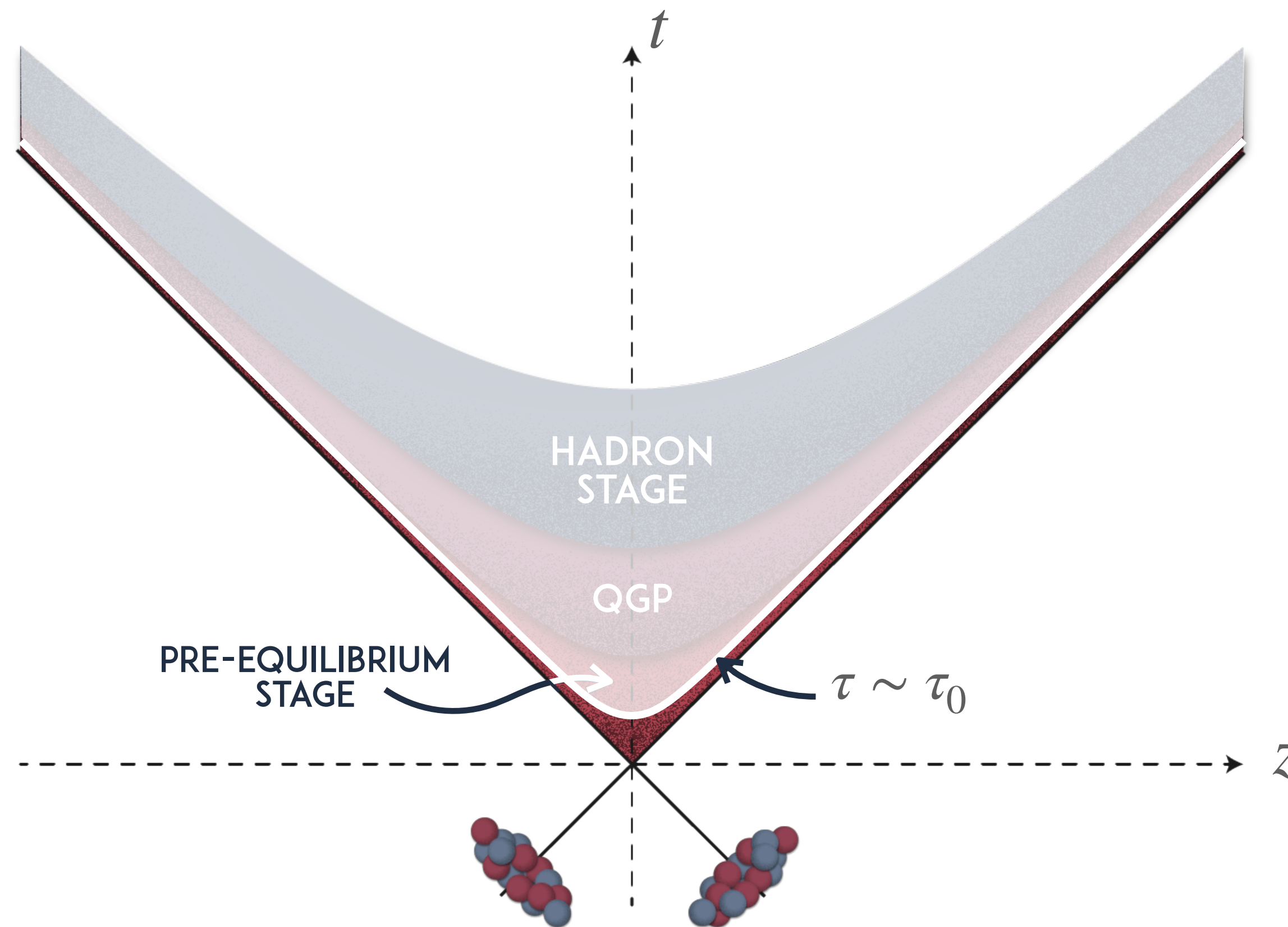
PDFs $\rightarrow x_i q_f(x_i, \mathbf{p}^2)$

Different PDF sets*.

*Accessible in the MCDIPPER through the LHAPDF library

Systematically Improvable e.g. by including NLO $gg \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ production through gluon fusion

THE PRICE TO PAY



Knowledge of the distribution of the nuclei is still contained

As well as dynamics! Albeit in a simplified limit.

This is a story about how I am systematically enhancing both sides of this description in this limit.

FROM MICRO TO MACRO

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- Macroscopic quantities (energy, charges) are computed as moments of the single particle distributions

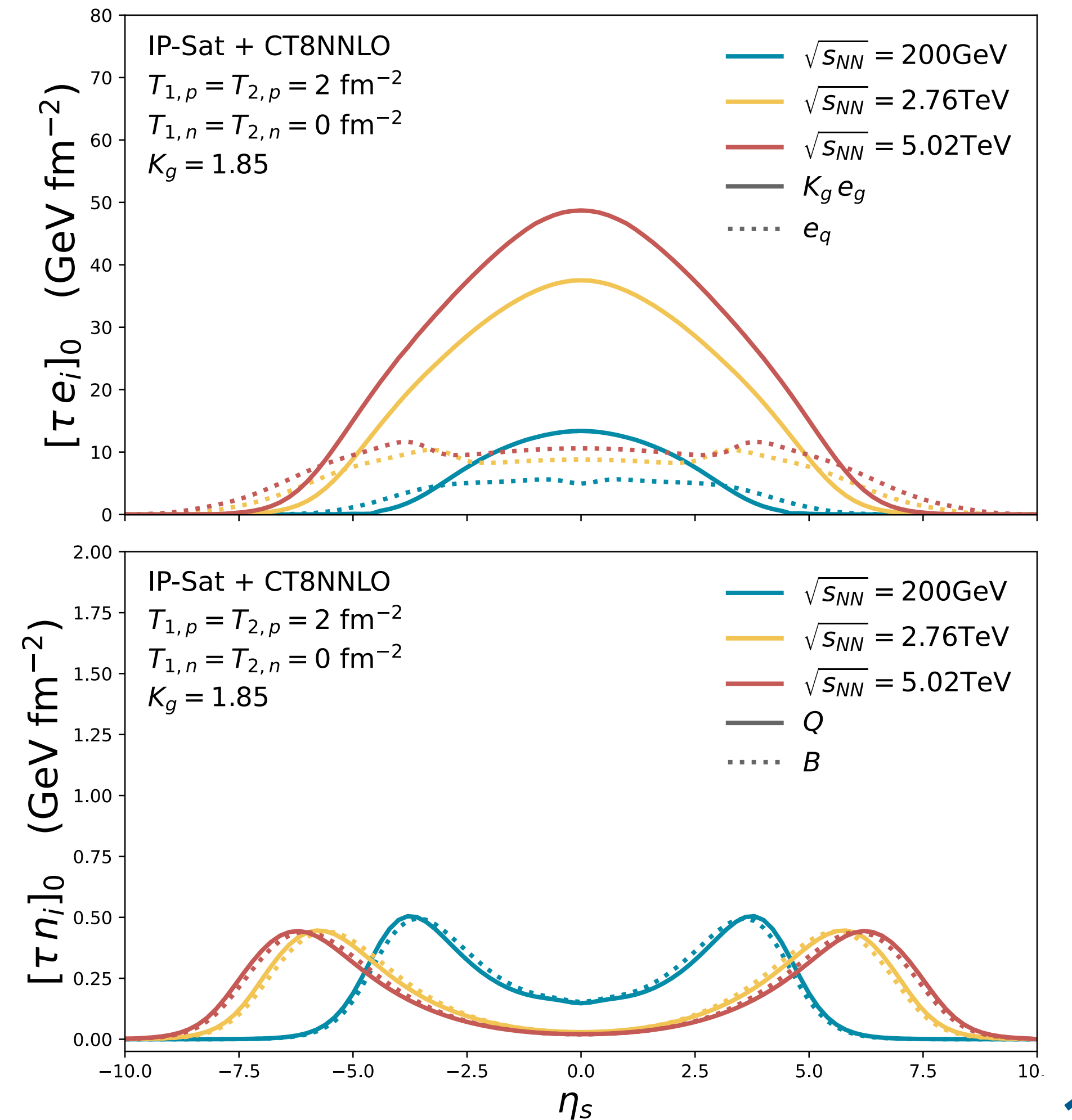
Total energy deposition

$$(e\tau)_0 = \int d^2\mathbf{p} |\mathbf{p}| \left[\underline{K_g \frac{dN_g}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy}} + \sum_{f,\bar{f}} \underline{\frac{dN_{q_f}}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy}} \right]_{y=\eta_s}$$

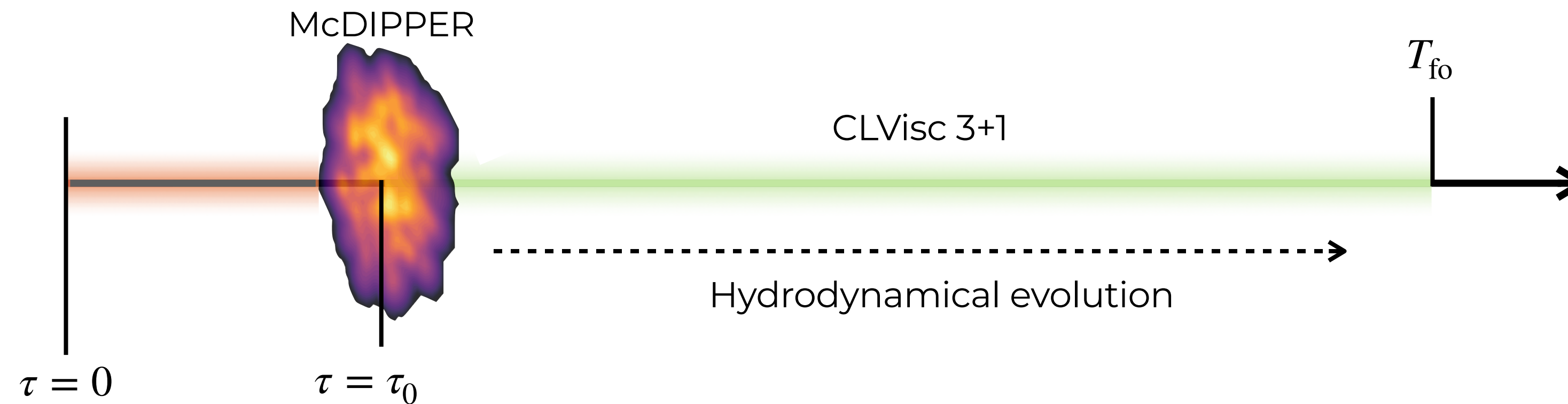
Charges (u,d,s) deposited can be used to compute conserved charges such as, i.e. electric charge,

$$\underline{(Q\tau)_0} = \sum_f Q_f \int d^2\mathbf{p} \left[\frac{dN_f}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy} - \frac{dN_{\bar{f}}}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy} \right]_{y=\eta_s}$$

$$\underline{(B\tau)_0} = \sum_f B_f \int d^2\mathbf{p} \left[\frac{dN_f}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy} - \frac{dN_{\bar{f}}}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy} \right]_{y=\eta_s}$$



McDIPPER+CLVisc 3+1



[GM, Schlichting, Zhu, [2501.14872](#)]

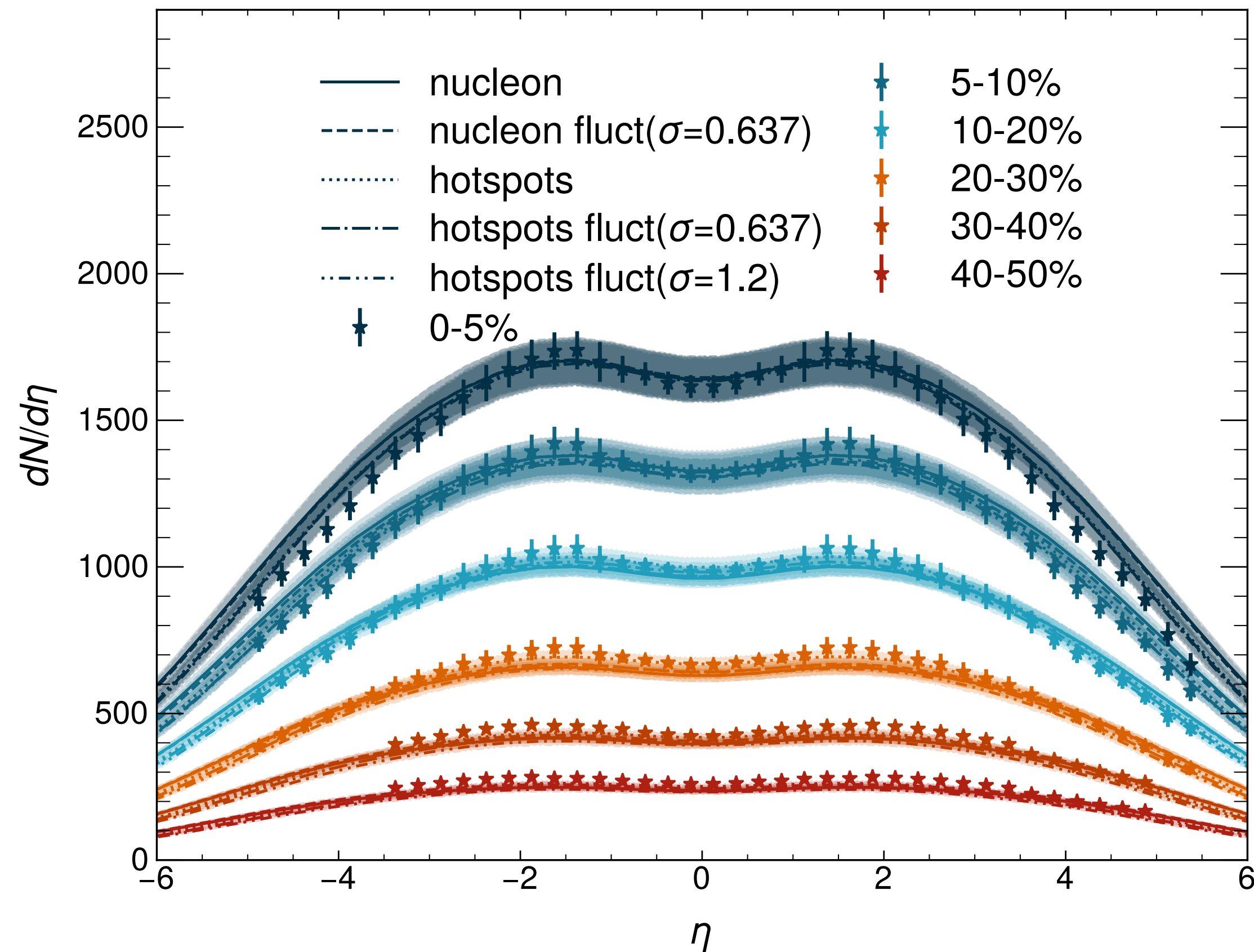
MCDIPPER

- Initialisation time $\tau_0 = 0.6$ fm
- Two *tuned* parameters:
 - K_g (Fit to central PbPb data at 5.02 GeV)
 - σ (using p+p, p+Pb data to describe multiplicity fluct.)

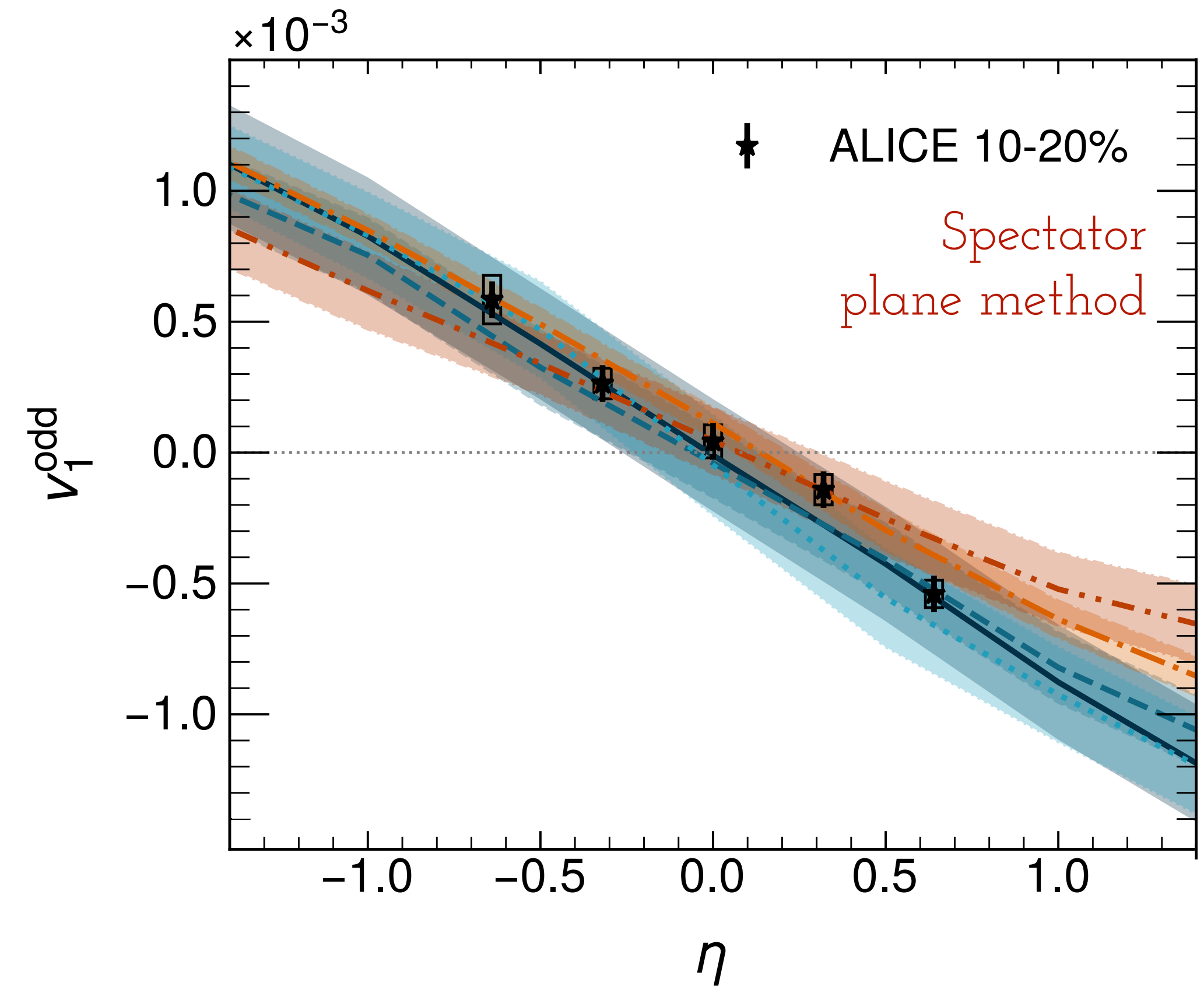
CLVISC 3+1

- Israel-Stewart-like viscous hydro evolution [PRC 98, 034916 (2018)]
- Duke transport coefficients [PRC 94, 024907 (2016)]
- Baryon diffusion included in Hydro ($C_B = 0.4$)
- **Equation of state: NEOS-B** [PRC 100, 024907 (2019)]
- Cooper-Frye particlization for cells with $e \leq 0.267 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$, including viscous corrections

SOME SOFT RESULTS IN LARGE SYSTEMS

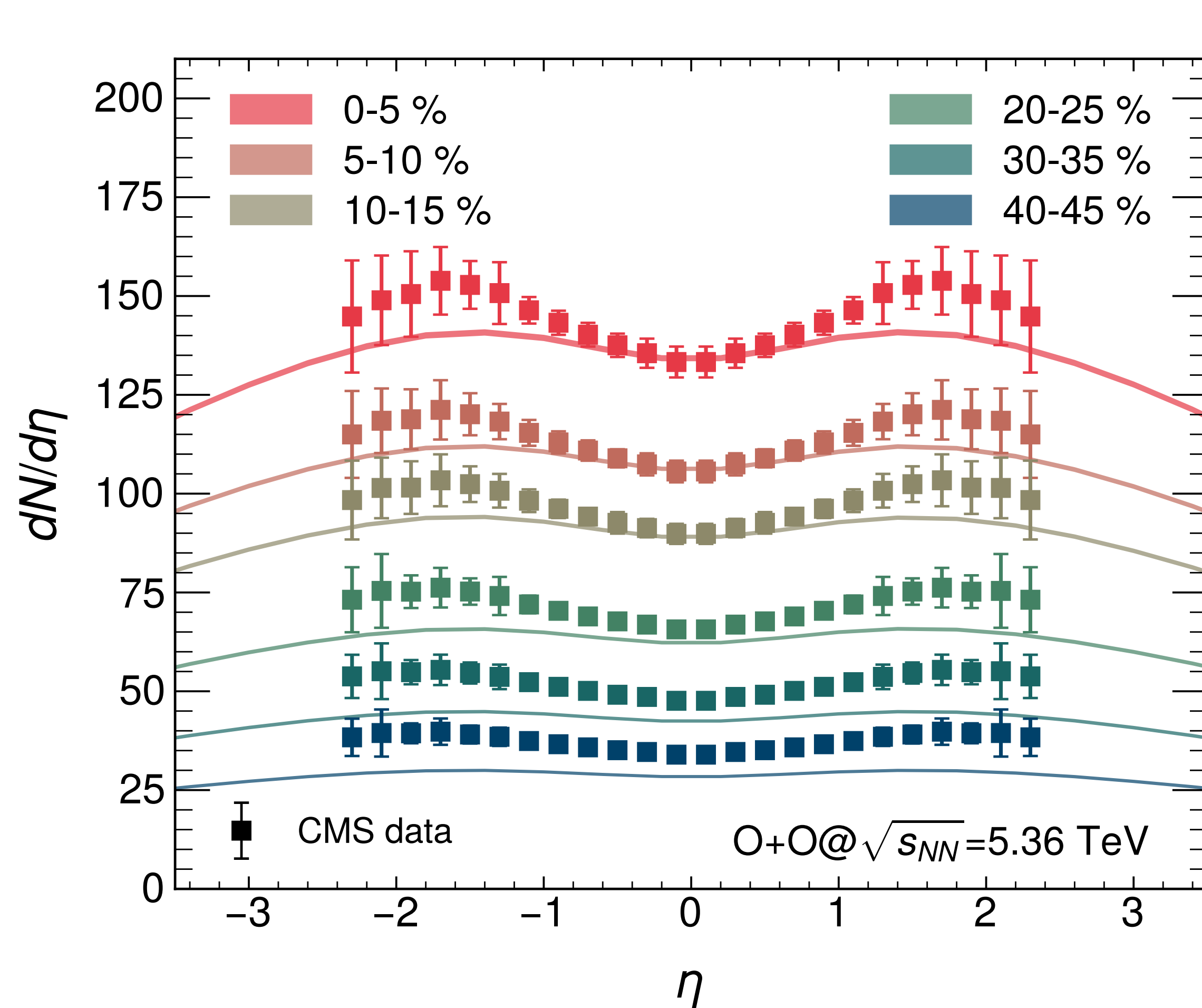


Minimal IC tuning. Shape of $dN_{ch}/d\eta$ given by IP-Sat

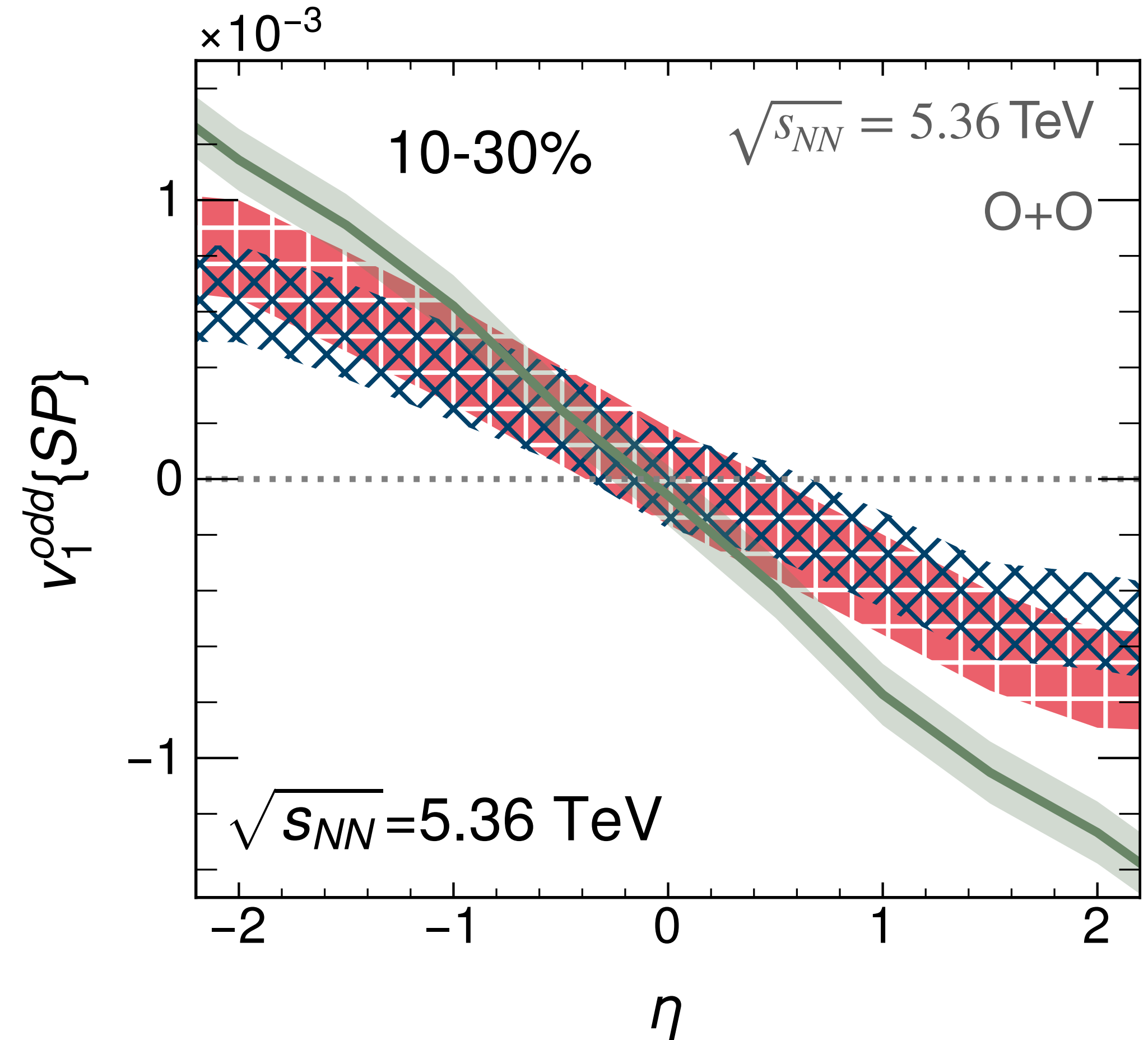


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SOME SOFT RESULTS IN SMALL SYSTEMS



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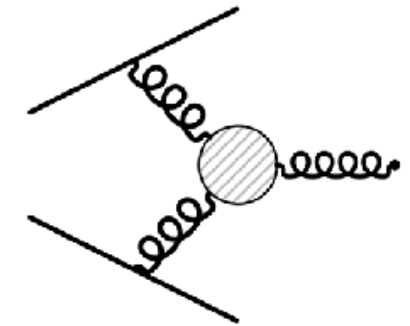
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WHY DON'T WE GET $T^{xy} \neq 0$
IN THE KT-FACT FORMULA?

THE QUESTION

- Let's take a look at the particle production formula:

$$\frac{dN_g}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy} = \frac{g^2}{8\pi^5 C_F p^2} \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^2} (2\pi)^2 \delta(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{p}) \times \Phi_1(x_1, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{q}) \Phi_2(x_2, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k})$$



- Assuming a Cooper-Frye type surface for constant- τ

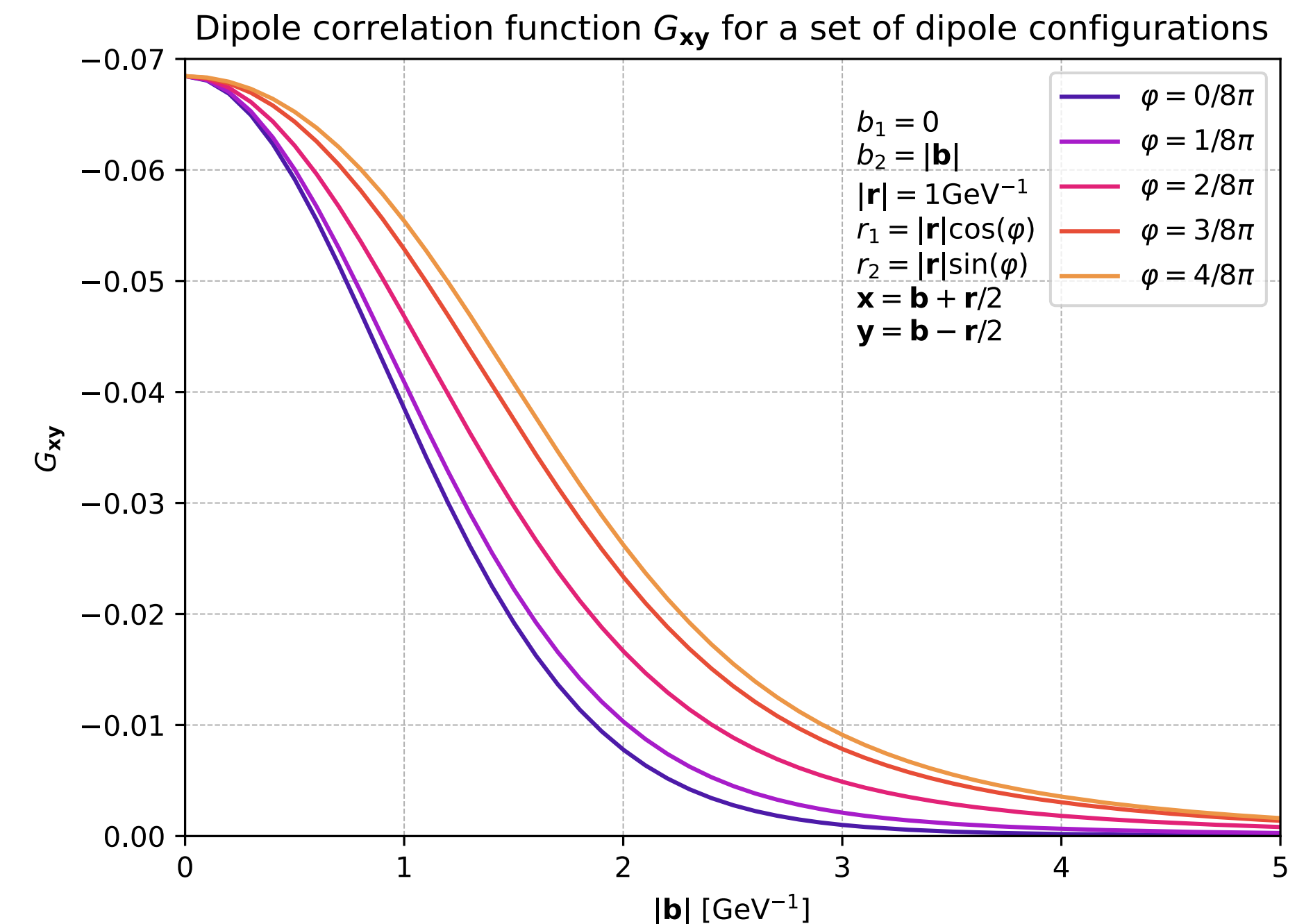
$$f(x, p) = \frac{(2\pi)^3}{\nu} \frac{1}{\tau p^\tau} \frac{dN}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy} \delta(\eta - y) \implies \tau T^{\mu\nu} = \int d^2\mathbf{p}dy \frac{p^\mu p^\nu}{p^\tau} \frac{dN}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy} \delta(\eta - y)$$

- Easy to see that if gluon distributions are independent functions of $\mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{k}$: e.g. $\Phi_i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{k}^2 e^{-\mathbf{k}^2 F[\mathbf{x}]}$, then it is not possible to generate non-trivial cross-terms.

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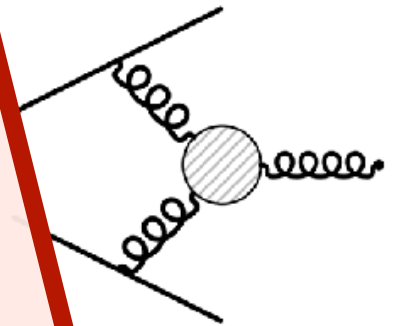
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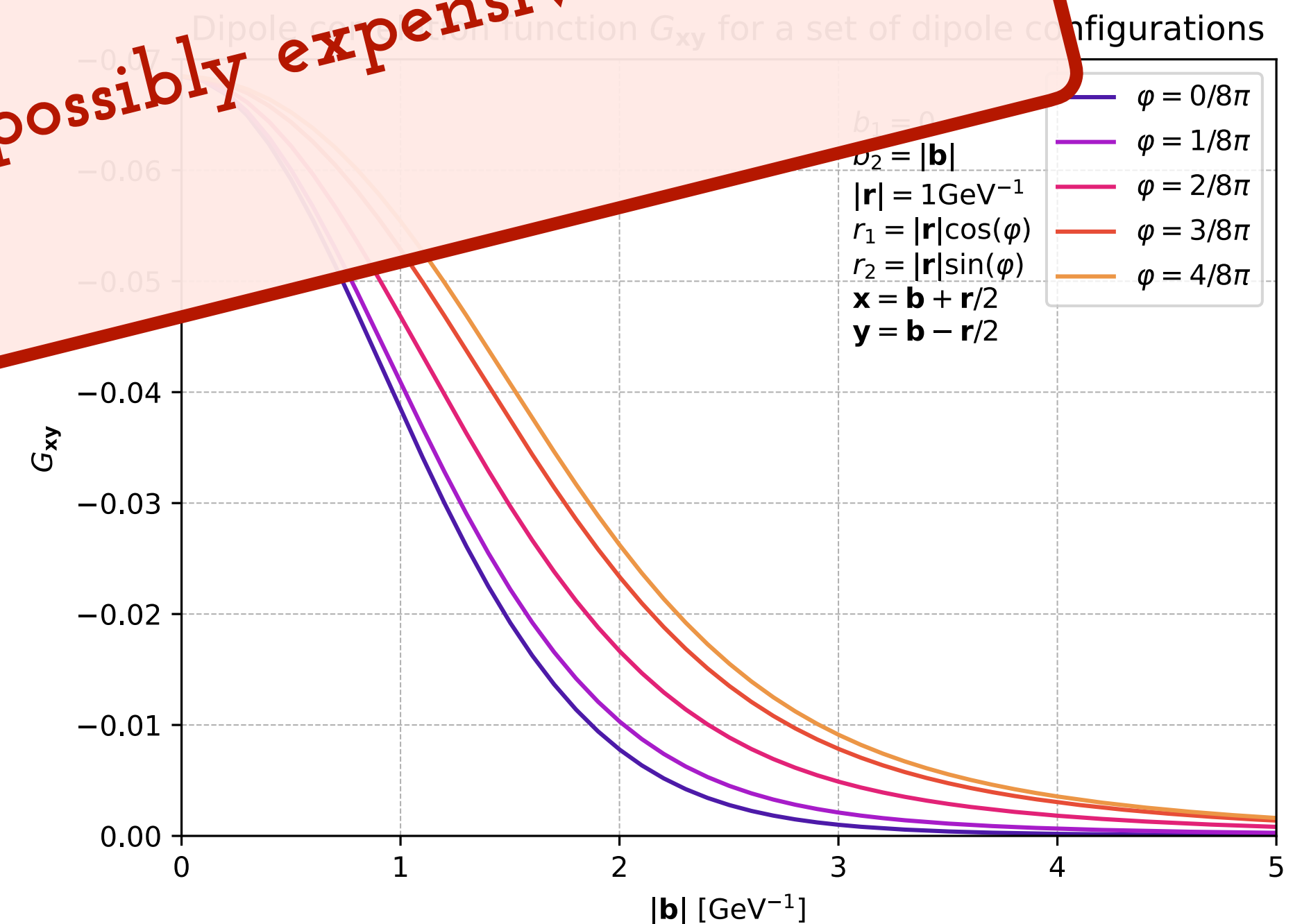
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- Easy to see that gluon distributions are independent of x and p_T . $\Phi_i(x, k) = k^2 e^{-k^2 F[x]}$ + terms not possible to generate non-trivial cross-terms.
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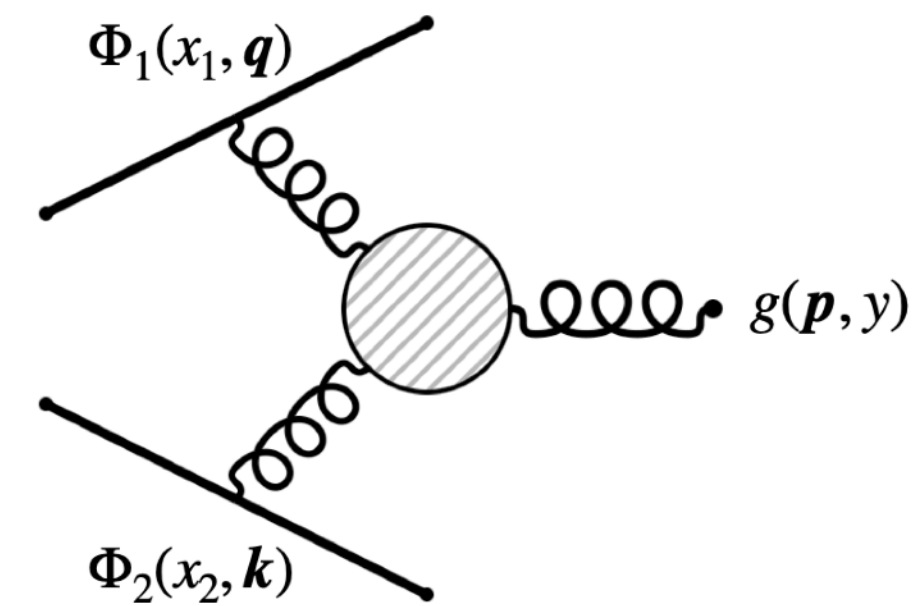
$$\Phi_i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{r}) = e^{-F[|\mathbf{x}|, |\mathbf{k}|, \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{r}]}$$

But we are interested in the full 3D-event, which means that we need the small- x evolution of the uGDFs for each event, and each possible configuration. Doing that event by event is impossibly expensive.



A SIMPLE CASE: ANISOTROPIES WITHIN THE NUCLEI

- GBW model (gaussian gluon distributions) $D(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\perp) \sim \exp\left(-\frac{\mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{Q_A^2(x, \mathbf{x}_\perp)}\right)$ $Q_A^2(x, \mathbf{x}_\perp) \sim x^{-\lambda} T(\mathbf{x}_\perp)$
- Simple kinematics
Fixed by "measured" gluon $x_1 = \frac{p_\perp e^y}{\sqrt{s_{NN}}}$ $x_2 = \frac{p_\perp e^{-y}}{\sqrt{s_{NN}}}$
- Gluon distribution dominated by saturation scale $x_{1,2} = \frac{Q_{1,2}^2(x, T) e^{\pm y}}{\sqrt{s_{NN}}}$
- Analytical solution to energy $e\tau_0 \sim \frac{Q_A^2 Q_B^2}{(Q_A^2 + Q_B^2)^{5/2}} (2Q_A^4 + 2Q_B^4 + 7Q_A^2 Q_B^2)$ Complex function $e\tau_0[T_1, T_2]$
- Something like T_RENTO $e\tau_0 \sim \left[\frac{T_A^p + T_B^p}{2}\right]^{1/p}$



WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

Particle correlations take $\langle \cdot \rangle$ of powers of thermo. quantities.
Even when subleading, extra-powers may induce error.

A SIMPLE CASE

- Let's start from the beginning. $\phi_i(x, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}) \sim k^2 D(x, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}) \xleftrightarrow[\text{FT}]{} D(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{b}) = \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr} [V(\mathbf{x}) V^\dagger(\mathbf{y})] \equiv e^{\Gamma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}$

Where in the MV model

$$\Gamma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \lambda(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) - \frac{1}{2} \lambda(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) - \frac{1}{2} \lambda(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y}) \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = g^2 C_F \int_z G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}) G(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{z}) \underbrace{\mu^2(\mathbf{z})}_{\text{Color charge dens.}}$$

- Assuming soft dependence of impact parameter and expanding $\mu^2(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{w}) = \mu^2(\mathbf{b}) - w^i \frac{\partial \mu^2(\mathbf{b})}{\partial b^i} + \frac{1}{2} w^i w^j \frac{\partial^2 \mu^2(\mathbf{b})}{\partial b^i \partial b^j} + \mathcal{O}(|\mathbf{w}|^3)$

- Then we have $\Gamma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \Gamma_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \Gamma_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \Gamma_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ with $\Gamma_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = 0$ (parity)

A SIMPLE CASE

- After some massaging of the equations

$$\Gamma_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{g^2}{4\pi} \frac{\mu^2(\mathbf{b})}{m^2} C_F (1 - rm K_1(rm)) \quad \Gamma_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\alpha_S C_F}{24m^2} \nabla_i \nabla_j \mu^2(\mathbf{b}) \left[x K_1(x) r^i r^j - \frac{2\delta^{ij}}{m^2} (2 - x^2 K_2(x)) \right]$$

- Small-r limit

$$\Gamma_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \approx -\frac{g^2 C_F}{2\pi} \mu^2(\mathbf{b}) \frac{r^2}{4} \log \left[\frac{1}{rm} \right] \quad \Gamma_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\alpha_S C_F}{24m^2} \nabla_i \nabla_j \mu^2(\mathbf{b}) (r^i r^j - \delta^{ij} r^2)$$

- Performing the classical method of conveniently forgetting about the log,

$$D(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{b}) = e^{-\frac{1}{4} \mathbf{r} \cdot \Sigma^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{r}} \quad \text{with} \quad \Sigma^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} Q^2(\mathbf{b}) + \frac{1}{6m^2} \nabla_y^2 Q^2(\mathbf{b}) & -\frac{1}{6m^2} \nabla_x \nabla_y Q^2(\mathbf{b}) \\ -\frac{1}{6m^2} \nabla_x \nabla_y Q^2(\mathbf{b}) & Q^2 + \frac{1}{6m^2} \nabla_x^2 Q^2(\mathbf{b}) \end{pmatrix}$$

IS THIS... OK?

- Having $D(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{b}) = e^{-\frac{1}{4}\mathbf{r} \cdot \Sigma^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{r}}$ everything boils to whether Σ^{-1} is positive definite

- *Sylvester Criterion*: all of the *leading principal minors* must be positive. $\implies \Sigma_{11}^{-1} > 0$ and $\det |\Sigma^{-1}| > 0$

- *Simple Example*: Gaussian $Q^2(\mathbf{b}) = \frac{Q_0^2}{2\pi R^2} \exp\left(-\frac{\mathbf{b}^2}{2R^2}\right)$ $\Sigma_{11}^{-1} = Q^2(\mathbf{b})\left(1 - \frac{1}{6m^2 R^2}\right) + \frac{Q^2(\mathbf{b})}{6m^2 R^4} \mathbf{b}^2$

Which means that: $R > \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}m}$ From which $\det |\Sigma_{11}| > 0$ automatically follows

All to say that gradients have to be smaller than the regulator's size

COMPUTATION

- Now, Fourier Transforming we get

$$\frac{dN}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy} = \frac{C_F}{8\pi^4\alpha_s} \frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{\det \Sigma^{-1}(x_1, \mathbf{x})}} \frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{\det \Sigma^{-1}(x_2, \mathbf{x})}} \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{\mathbf{q}^2\mathbf{k}^2}{\mathbf{p}^2} \times e^{-\mathbf{q} \cdot \Sigma(x_1, \mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{q}} e^{-\mathbf{k} \cdot \Sigma(x_2, \mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{k}} (2\pi)^2 \delta(\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{k} - \mathbf{p}).$$

- From which we get this absolute unit of a formula

$$\frac{dN}{d^2\mathbf{x}d^2\mathbf{p}dy} = \frac{2C_F}{\pi^2\alpha_s\mathbf{p}^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\Sigma_1^{-1}||\Sigma_2^{-1}|}} e^{-\frac{1}{4}\mathbf{p} \cdot \bar{\Sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}} \frac{1}{4\pi\sqrt{|\Sigma_+|}} \left\{ H_0(\mathbf{p}) - 2\mathbf{p} \cdot \beta_- \Sigma_+^{-1} \cdot \beta_+ \mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\Sigma_+^{-1}) \left[(\beta_- \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 + (\beta_+ \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 \right] + \frac{1}{4} \left[\text{tr}[\Sigma_+^{-1}]^2 + 2\text{tr}[\Sigma_+^{-1}\Sigma_+^{-1}] \right] \right\}$$

$$\text{with } \Sigma_{\pm} = \Sigma_1 \pm \Sigma_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\Sigma} = \Sigma_+ - \Sigma_- \Sigma_+^{-1} \Sigma_-$$

GETTING $T^{\mu\nu}$

- We will use $\tau T^{\mu\nu} = \int d^2\mathbf{p} dy \frac{p^\mu p^\nu}{p^\tau} \frac{dN}{d^2\mathbf{x} d^2\mathbf{p} dy} \delta(\eta - y)$ from which $\tau T^{\tau\eta} = \tau T^{i\eta} = \tau T^{\eta\eta} = 0$

since $\delta(\eta - y)p^\eta = \delta(\eta - y)|\mathbf{p}| \sinh(\eta - y) = 0$

- Example: energy density $\tau T^{\tau\tau} = \frac{C_F}{2\pi^3\alpha_s} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\Sigma_1^{-1}| |\Sigma_+| |\Sigma_2^{-1}|}} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\theta \int_0^\infty dp J(p, \theta) e^{-\frac{1}{4}Ap^2}$

- Expanding on small gradients (a condition for positivity) we get at first order correction

$$\tau T^{\tau\tau} = \frac{C_F}{2\pi\sqrt{\pi}\alpha_s} \frac{1}{96m^2 (\bar{Q}^2)^{7/2}} \left[Q_1^2 (\nabla_x^2 Q_1^2 + \nabla_y^2 Q_1^2) (2Q_1^6 + 5Q_1^4 Q_2^2 + 22Q_1^2 Q_2^4 + 4Q_2^6) \right. \\ \left. + Q_2^2 (\nabla_x^2 Q_2^2 + \nabla_y^2 Q_2^2) (4Q_1^6 + 22Q_1^4 Q_2^2 + 5Q_1^2 Q_2^4 + 2Q_2^6) \right]$$

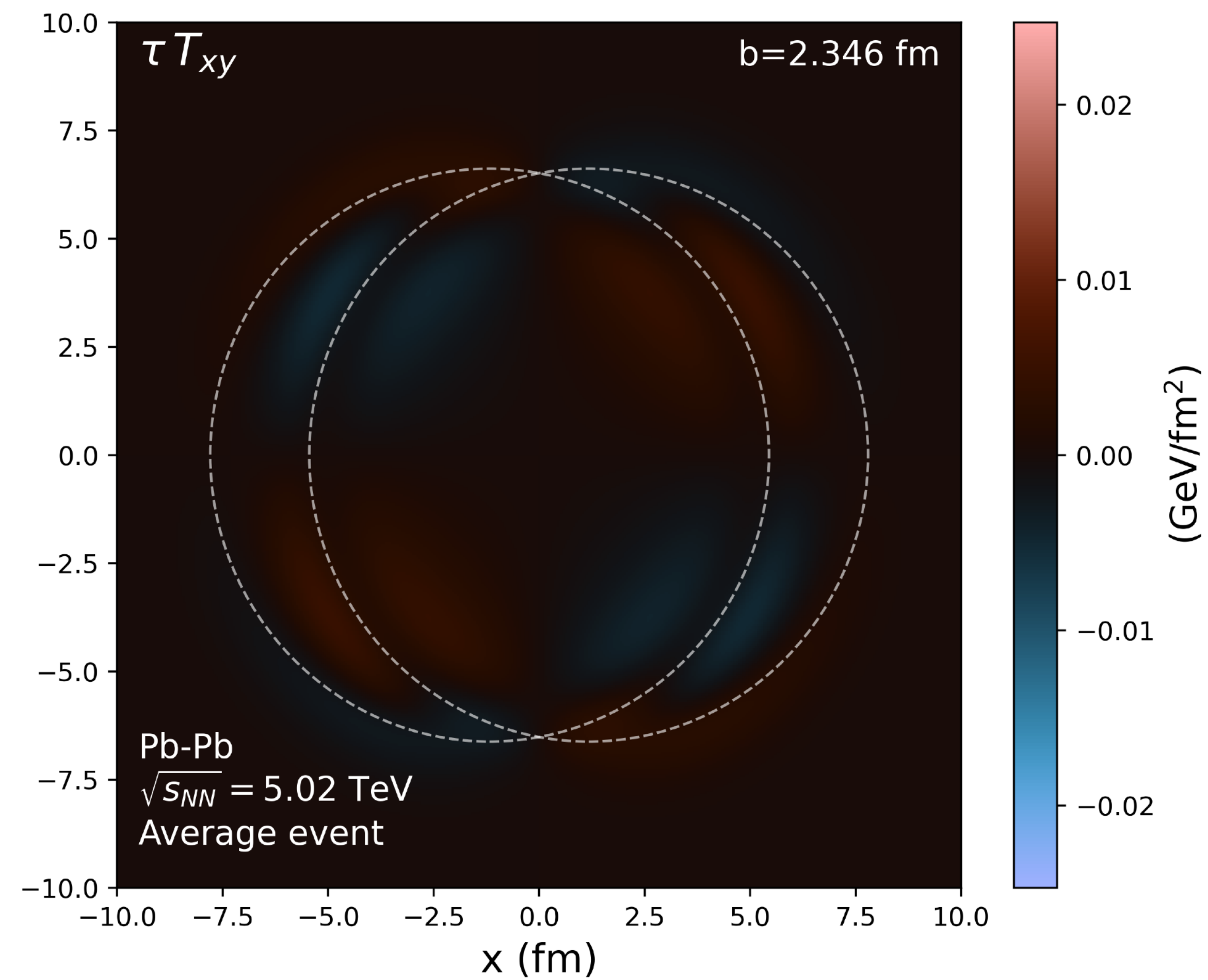
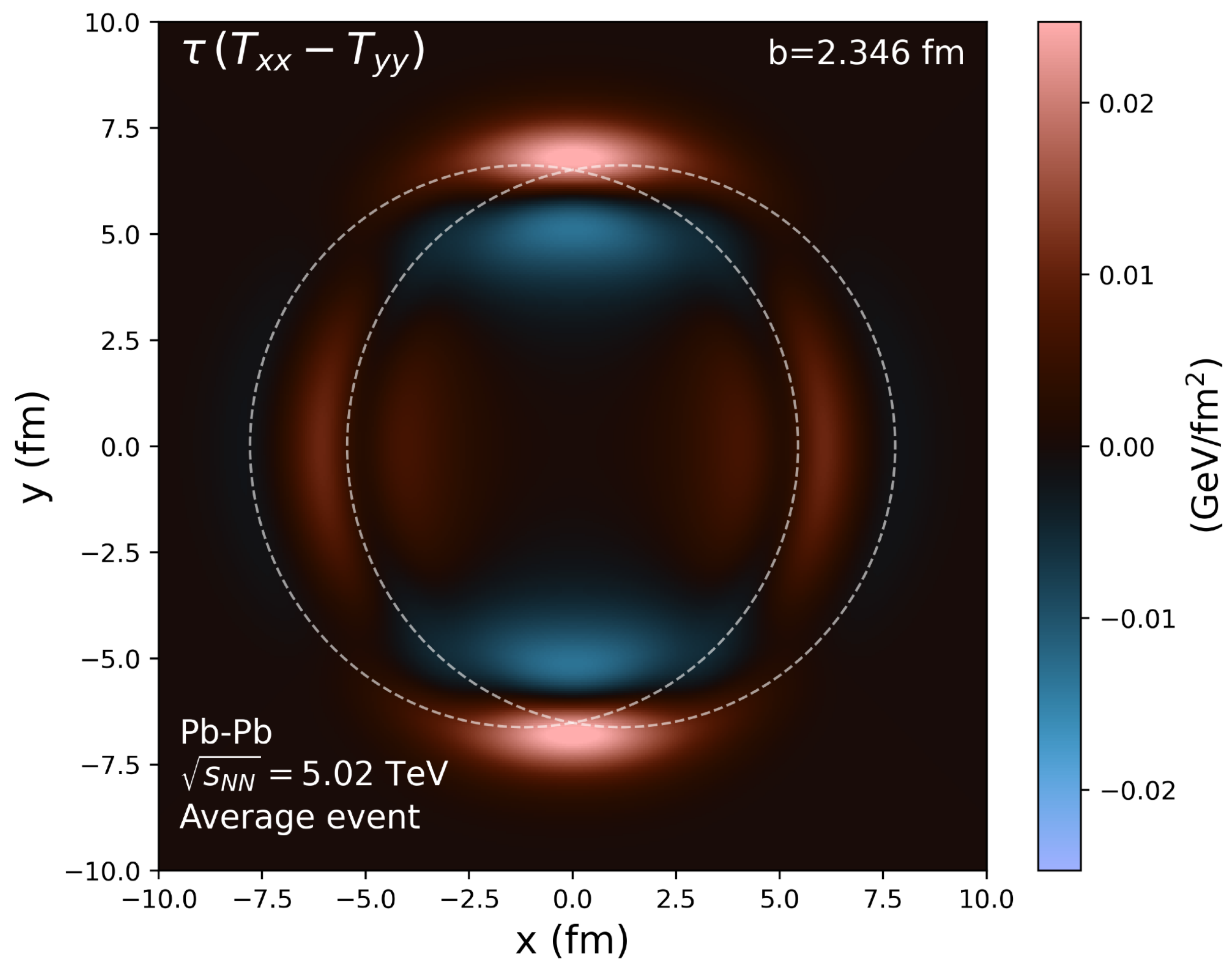
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- We also get this simple and beautiful looking transverse pressures.

$$\begin{aligned}\tau T^{xx} &= \frac{C_F}{2\pi\sqrt{\pi}\alpha_s} \frac{1}{384m^2 (\bar{Q}^2)^{7/2}} \left[Q_1^2 \left(\nabla_x^2 Q_1^2 (-2Q_1^6 - 5Q_1^4 Q_2^2 + 50Q_1^2 Q_2^4 + 8Q_2^6) + \nabla_y^2 Q_1^2 (10Q_1^6 + 25Q_1^4 Q_2^2 + 38Q_1^2 Q_2^4 + 8Q_2^6) \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \nabla_x^2 Q_2^2 (8Q_1^8 + 50Q_1^6 Q_2^2 - 5Q_1^4 Q_2^4 - 2Q_1^2 Q_2^6) + \nabla_y^2 Q_2^2 (8Q_1^8 + 38Q_1^6 Q_2^2 + 25Q_1^4 Q_2^4 + 10Q_1^2 Q_2^6) \right] \\ \tau T^{yy} &= \frac{C_F}{2\pi\sqrt{\pi}\alpha_s} \frac{1}{384m^2 (\bar{Q}^2)^{7/2}} \left[Q_2^2 \left(\nabla_x^2 Q_1^2 (10Q_1^6 + 25Q_1^4 Q_2^2 + 38Q_1^2 Q_2^4 + 8Q_2^6) + \nabla_y^2 Q_1^2 (-2Q_1^6 - 5Q_1^4 Q_2^2 + 50Q_1^2 Q_2^4 + 8Q_2^6) \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \nabla_x^2 Q_2^2 (8Q_1^8 + 38Q_1^6 Q_2^2 + 25Q_1^4 Q_2^4 + 10Q_1^2 Q_2^6) + \nabla_y^2 Q_2^2 (8Q_1^8 + 50Q_1^6 Q_2^2 - 5Q_1^4 Q_2^4 - 2Q_1^2 Q_2^6) \right]\end{aligned}$$

- And the cross terms

$$\tau T^{xy} = -\frac{C_F}{2\pi^{3/2}\alpha_s} \frac{Q_1^2 Q_2^2}{64m^2 (\bar{Q}^2)^{7/2}} \left(\nabla_x \nabla_y Q_1^2 (2Q_1^4 + 5Q_1^2 Q_2^2 - 2Q_2^4) + \nabla_x \nabla_y Q_2^2 (-2Q_1^4 + 5Q_1^2 Q_2^2 + 2Q_2^4) \right)$$





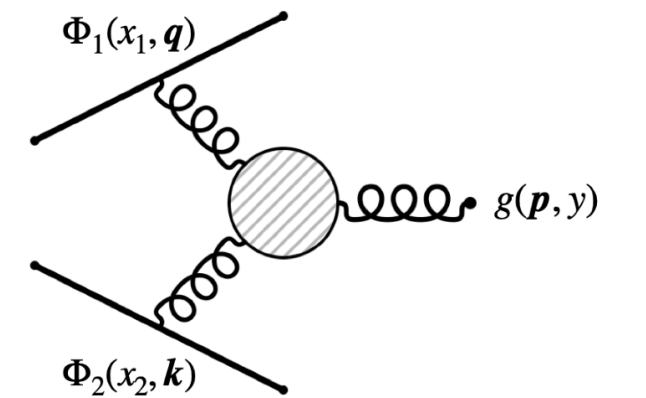
WHY IS THE KT-FACTORISED
FORMULA ALREADY SO... ISOTROPIC?

SECOND SOURCE: ANISOTROPIES FROM GLUON RESOLUTION

In the dilute-dilute limit of the CGC, single gluon production is given by $E_q \frac{dN_g}{d^3p} = \frac{g^2}{2(2\pi)^3} |\mathcal{M}_g|^2$

$$E_q \frac{dN_g}{d^3p} = \frac{g^2}{2(2\pi)^3} \int_{k_1 \bar{k}_1} H(k_1, k_2, \bar{k}_1, \bar{k}_2) \left\langle \rho_{A,a}^\dagger(k_1) \rho_{A,b}(\bar{k}_1) \right\rangle \left\langle \rho_{B,a}^\dagger(k_2) \rho_{B,b}(\bar{k}_2) \right\rangle, \quad \text{where} \quad k_2 = p - k_1$$

With Hard factor: $H(k_1, \bar{k}_1, k_2, \bar{k}_2) = \frac{p_\perp^2}{4} \left[\frac{4}{p_\perp^2} (\delta^{ij} \delta^{\kappa\lambda} + \epsilon^{ij} \epsilon^{\kappa\lambda}) k_1^i k_2^j \bar{k}_1^\kappa \bar{k}_2^\lambda \right] \frac{1}{k_1^2 \bar{k}_1^2 k_2^2 \bar{k}_2^2}$



- Let's switch to uGDFs language:

$$g^2 \langle \rho_a^\dagger(k_\perp) \rho_{a'}(k'_\perp) \rangle = \frac{\delta^{aa'}}{\pi d_A} \left[\frac{k_\perp + k'_\perp}{2} \right]^2 \int_{x_\perp} e^{i(k_\perp - k'_\perp) \cdot x_\perp} \varphi \left(\frac{k_\perp + k'_\perp}{2}, x_\perp \right).$$

- What is the underlying physics?

$$E_q \frac{dN_g}{d^3p} = \frac{4g^2}{(2\pi)^5 C_F p^2} \int_{k_1 \bar{k}_1 k_2 \bar{k}_2} \int_{xy} H(k_1, k_2, \bar{k}_1, \bar{k}_2) \left[\frac{k_1 + \bar{k}_1}{2} \right]^2 \left[\frac{k_2 + \bar{k}_2}{2} \right]^2 e^{ix(k_1 - \bar{k}_1)} e^{iy(k_2 - \bar{k}_2)} \varphi_A \left(x, \frac{k_1 + \bar{k}_1}{2} \right) \varphi_B \left(y, \frac{k_2 + \bar{k}_2}{2} \right)$$

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FT of color distribution resolution *Gluon momenta sampled*

- If we Wigner-transform to pair coordinates $\frac{\mathbf{k}_1 + \bar{\mathbf{k}}_1}{2} = \mathbf{q}_\perp, \quad \frac{\mathbf{k}_2 + \bar{\mathbf{k}}_2}{2} = \mathbf{k}_\perp, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{q}}_\perp \equiv \mathbf{k}_1 - \bar{\mathbf{k}}_1, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{k}}_\perp \equiv \mathbf{k}_2 - \bar{\mathbf{k}}_2$

And expand the hard factor around the relative coordinate $H = \frac{h}{k_1^2 \bar{k}_1^2 k_2^2 \bar{k}_2^2} = \frac{1}{q_\perp^4 k_\perp^4} [h_0 + h_1 + h_2 + \dots]$

- To get the ladder of contributions, a gradient expansion

$$E_p \frac{dN_g}{d^3p} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi^4 p_\perp^2 C_F} \int_{q\tilde{q}k\tilde{k}} \int_{xy} \Pi_2 \frac{h_i(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{k}, \tilde{\mathbf{q}}, \tilde{\mathbf{k}})}{q_\perp^2 k_\perp^2} e^{i\tilde{\mathbf{q}} \cdot \mathbf{x}} e^{i\tilde{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \mathbf{y}} \varphi_A(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{x}) \varphi_B(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{y}) \equiv \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} E_p \frac{dN^{(i)}}{d^3p}$$


 $\ni (2\pi)^2 \delta(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q} - \tilde{\mathbf{q}}/2 - \mathbf{k} - \tilde{\mathbf{k}}/2)$

- We get then easily the zeroth order contribution, which is the $k_\perp$ -factorised formula

$$E_p \frac{dN^{(1)}}{d^3p d^2x} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi^4 p_\perp^2 C_F} \int_{qk} (2\pi)^2 \delta(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{k}) \varphi_A(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{x}) \varphi_B(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{x})$$

- We will also get **up to the first** non-trivial correction, to be consistent ($\mathcal{O}(\partial^2)$)

$$E_p \frac{dN^{(1)}}{d^3p d^2x} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi^4 p_\perp^2 C_F} \int_{qk} (2\pi)^2 \delta(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{k}) \left[(q^i k^j - (\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{k}) \delta^{ij}) \partial_y^i \partial_x^j - \frac{q_\perp^2}{k_\perp^2} \left(k^i k^j - \frac{3}{4} k_\perp^2 \delta^{ij} \right) \partial_y^i \partial_y^j - \frac{k_\perp^2}{q_\perp^2} \left(q^i q^j - \frac{3}{4} q_\perp^2 \delta^{ij} \right) \partial_x^i \partial_x^j \right] \frac{\varphi_A(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{x})}{q_\perp^2} \frac{\varphi_B(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{y})}{k_\perp^2} \Big|_{x=y}$$

Anisotropies are included due to coupling of gluon momenta and gradients of the unintegrated Gluon Distribution Functions!

- From this, we get also an expansion on gradients for the stress-energy tensor

$$\tau T^{\mu\nu} = \underbrace{\tau T_0^{\mu\nu}}_{\mathcal{O}(\partial^0)} + \underbrace{\tau T_1^{\mu\nu}}_{\mathcal{O}(\partial^2)} + \underbrace{\tau T_2^{\mu\nu}}_{\mathcal{O}(\partial^4)} + \dots$$

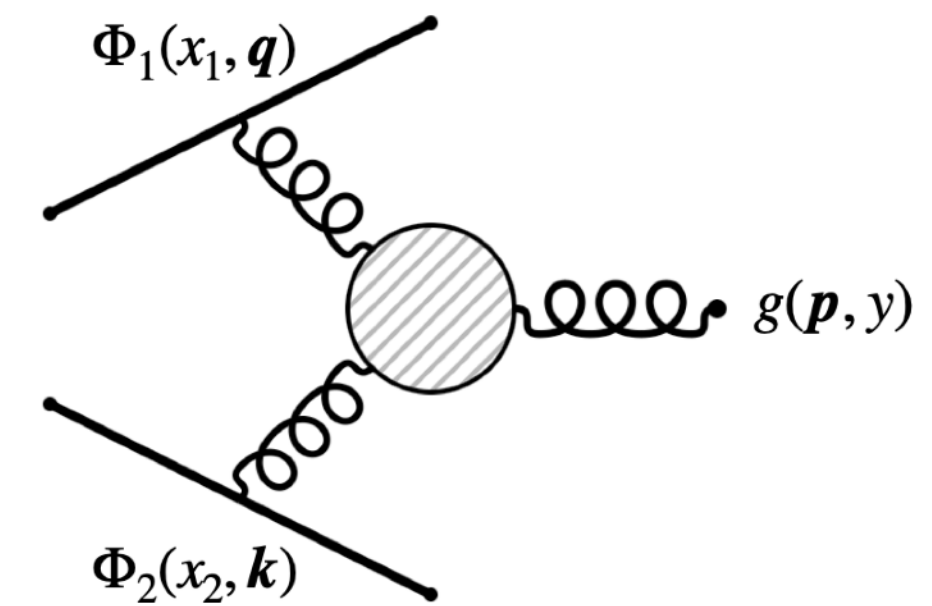
A SIMPLE CASE: AGAIN

- GBW model (gaussian gluon distributions) $D(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp, \mathbf{x}_\perp) \sim \exp\left(-\frac{\mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{Q_A^2(x, \mathbf{x}_\perp)}\right)$ $Q_A^2(x, \mathbf{x}_\perp) \sim x^{-\lambda} T(\mathbf{x}_\perp)$

- Simple kinematics
Fixed by "measured" gluon $x_1 = \frac{p_\perp e^y}{\sqrt{s_{NN}}}$ $x_2 = \frac{p_\perp e^{-y}}{\sqrt{s_{NN}}}$

- Gluon distribution dominated by saturation scale $x_{1,2} = \frac{Q_{1,2}^2(x, T) e^{\pm y}}{\sqrt{s_{NN}}}$

- Analytical solution to energy



$$\tau T^{\mu\nu} \sim \hat{f}^{\mu\nu} \frac{Q_A^2 Q_B^2}{(Q_A^2 + Q_B^2)^{5/2}} (2Q_A^4 + 2Q_B^4 + 7Q_A^2 Q_B^2) \quad \text{With} \quad \hat{f}^{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(1, 1/2, 1/2, 0)$$

SUMMARY, SINCE COMPUTATION IS LONG

- The resulting first order

$$\tau T_1^{\mu\nu} = \gamma \left[\bar{f}^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{T}_{\text{iso}} + \mathcal{T}_{\text{aniso}}^{\mu\nu} \right],$$

$$\mathcal{T}_{\text{iso}} = H^{(1)} (\nabla Q_1^2 \cdot \nabla Q_2^2) + \frac{1}{2} \left(H_{01}^{2,\text{iso}} \nabla^2 Q_2^2 + H_{02}^{2,\text{iso}} |\nabla Q_2^2|^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(H_{10}^{3,\text{iso}} \nabla^2 Q_1^2 + H_{20}^{3,\text{iso}} |\nabla Q_1^2|^2 \right)$$

With functions such as

$$H^{(1)} = - \frac{2Q_1^4 - 11 Q_1^2 Q_2^2 + 2Q_2^4}{4 (Q_1^2 + Q_2^2)^{7/2}}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_{\text{aniso}}^{xx} = \frac{1}{4} \left[(\nabla_x Q_1^2 \nabla_x Q_2^2 - \nabla_y Q_1^2 \nabla_y Q_2^2) H^{(1)} - (\nabla_x^2 Q_2^2 - \nabla_y^2 Q_2^2) H_{01}^{2,\text{a}} - (|\nabla_x Q_2^2|^2 - |\nabla_y Q_2^2|^2) H_{02}^{2,\text{a}} \right. \\ \left. - (\nabla_x^2 Q_1^2 - \nabla_y^2 Q_1^2) H_{10}^{3,\text{a}} - (|\nabla_x Q_1^2|^2 - |\nabla_y Q_1^2|^2) H_{20}^{3,\text{a}} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{T}_{\text{aniso}}^{xy} = \frac{1}{4} \left[(\nabla_x Q_1^2 \nabla_y Q_2^2 + \nabla_y Q_1^2 \nabla_x Q_2^2) H^{(1)} - 2 \nabla_x \nabla_y Q_2^2 H_{01}^{2,\text{a}} - 2 \nabla_x Q_2^2 \nabla_y Q_2^2 H_{02}^{2,\text{a}} - 2 \nabla_x \nabla_y Q_1^2 H_{10}^{3,\text{a}} \right. \\ \left. - 2 \nabla_x Q_1^2 \nabla_y Q_1^2 H_{20}^{3,\text{a}} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{T}_{\text{aniso}}^{yy} = - \mathcal{T}_{\text{aniso}}^{xx}$$

The rest vanish

A case for intuition

P+P

Gaussian

Head on $b = 0.3$ fm

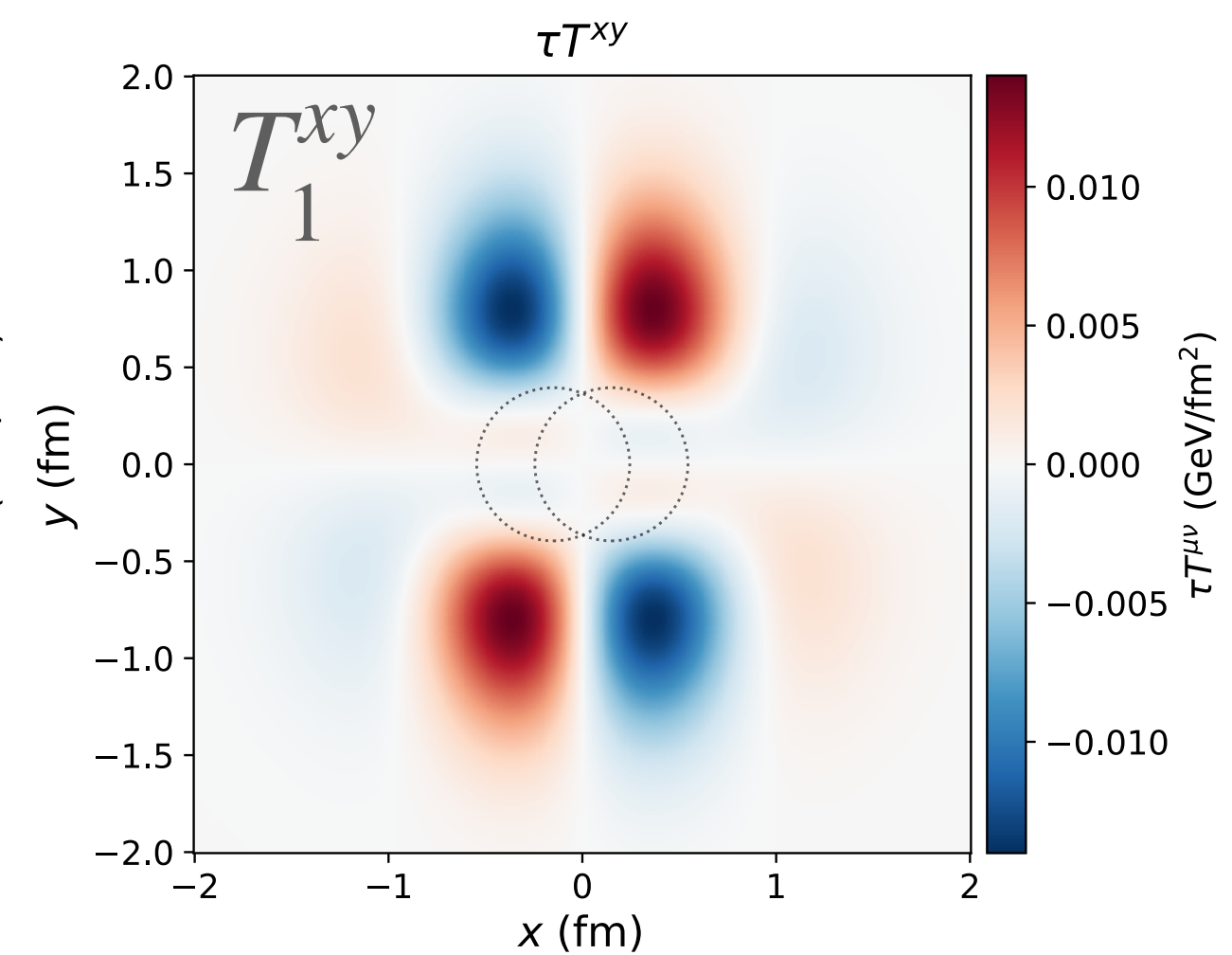
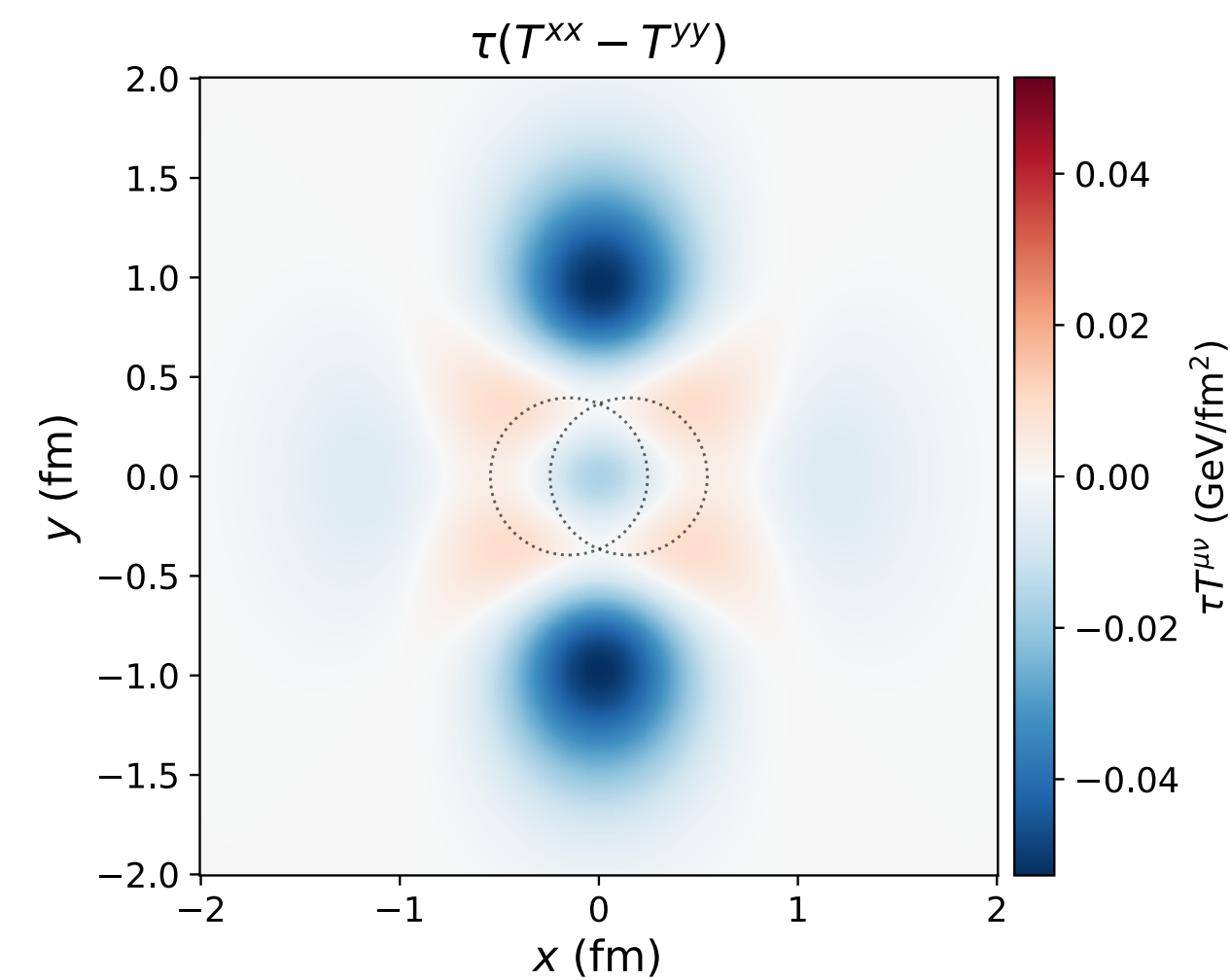
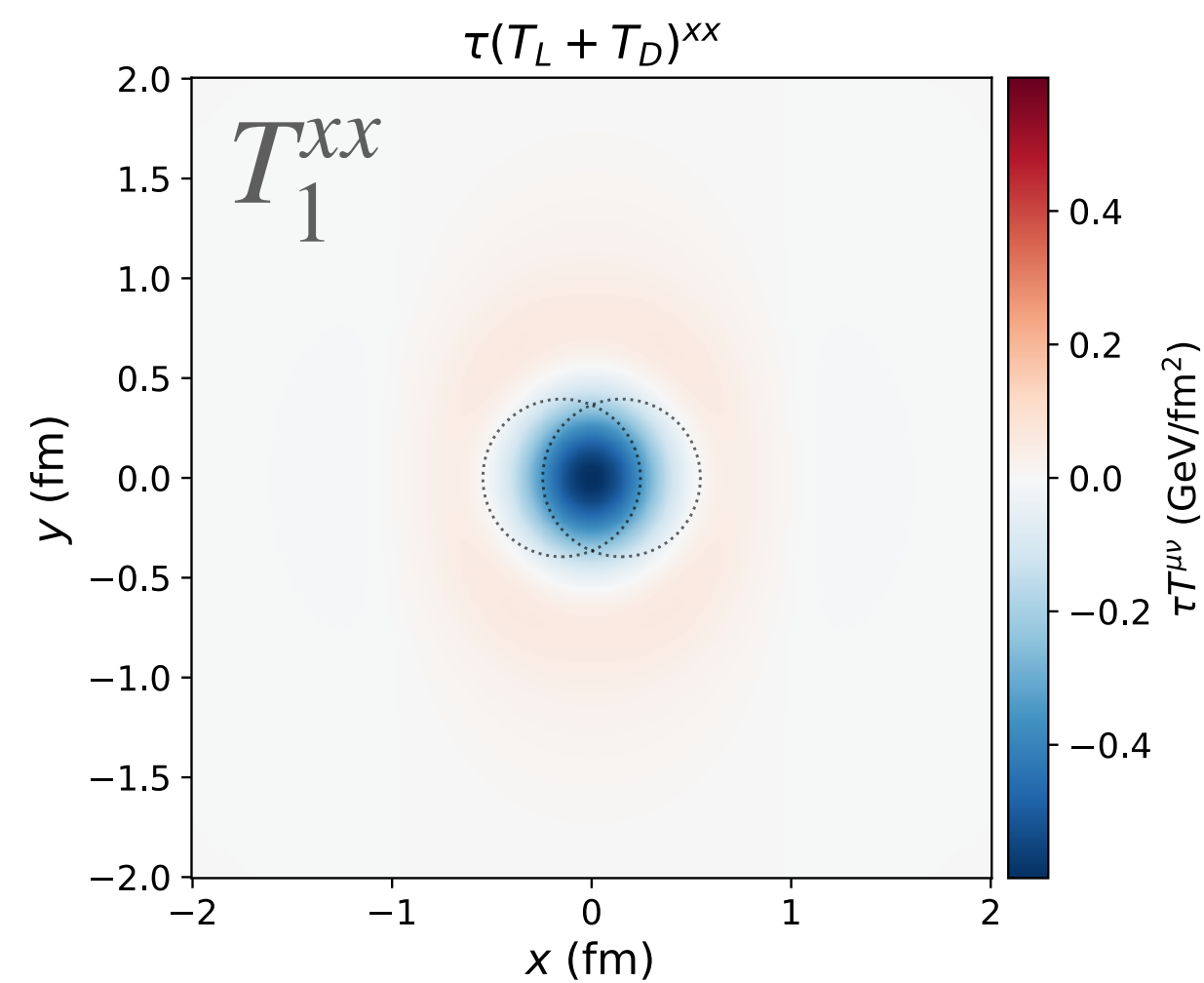
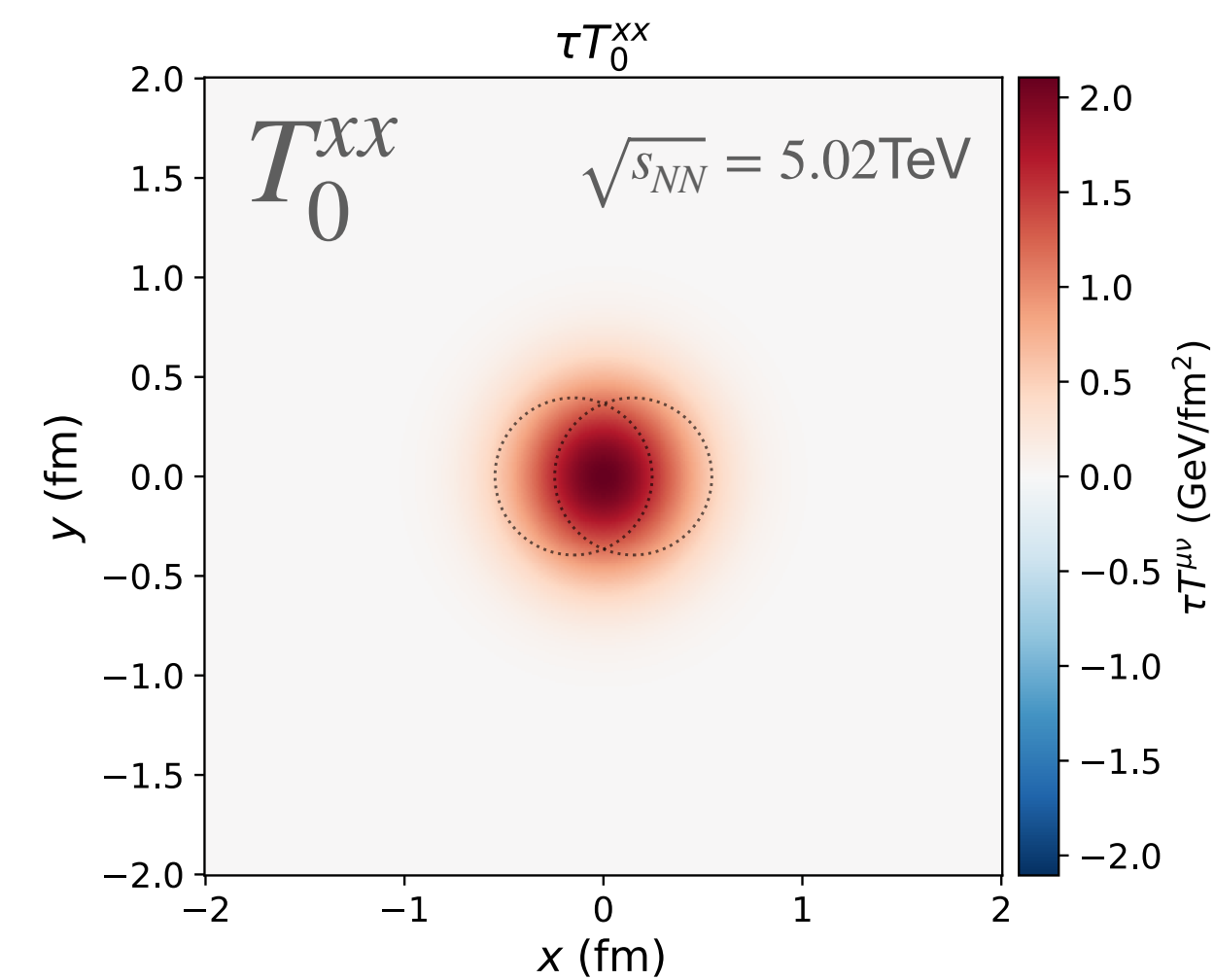
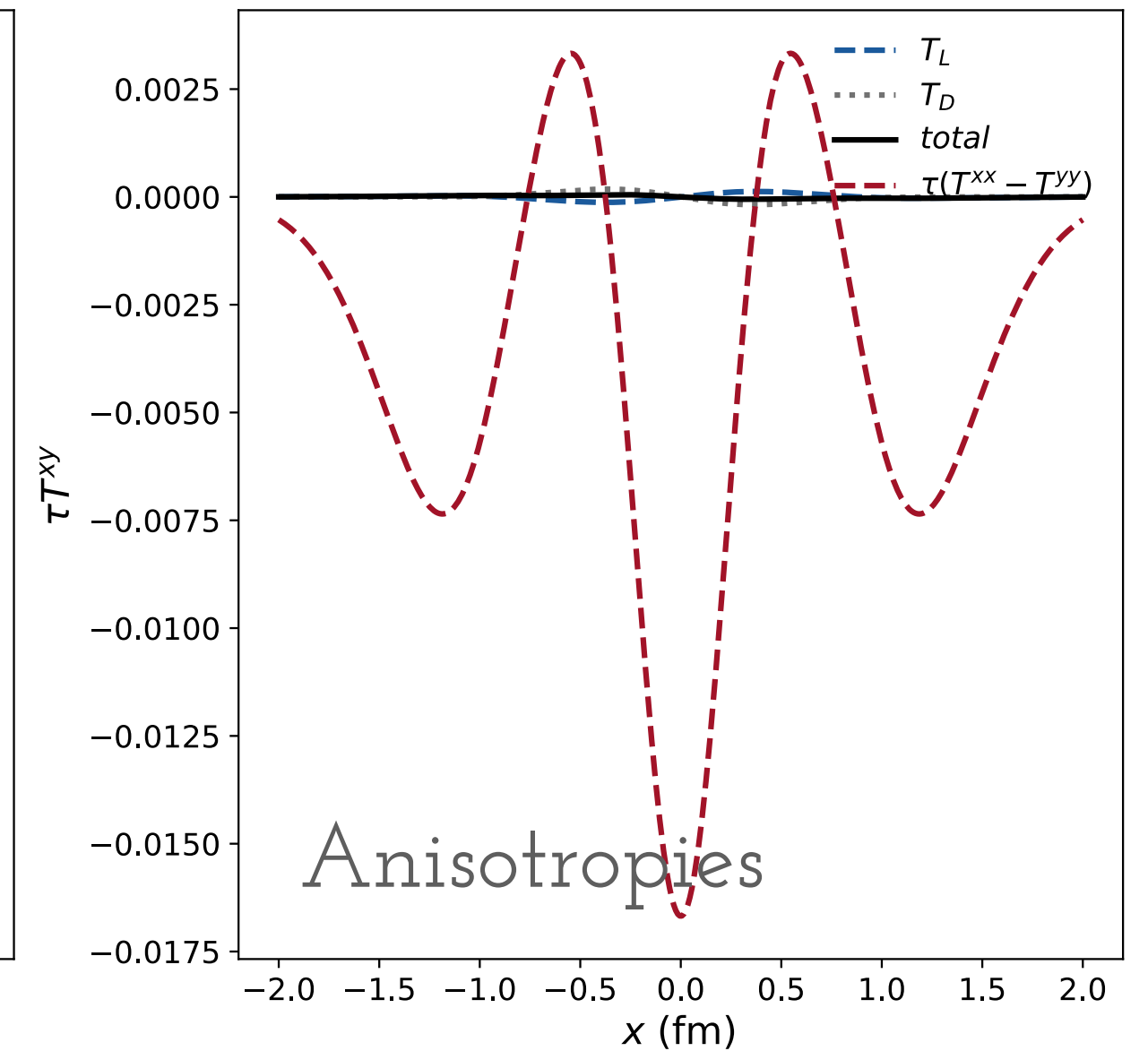
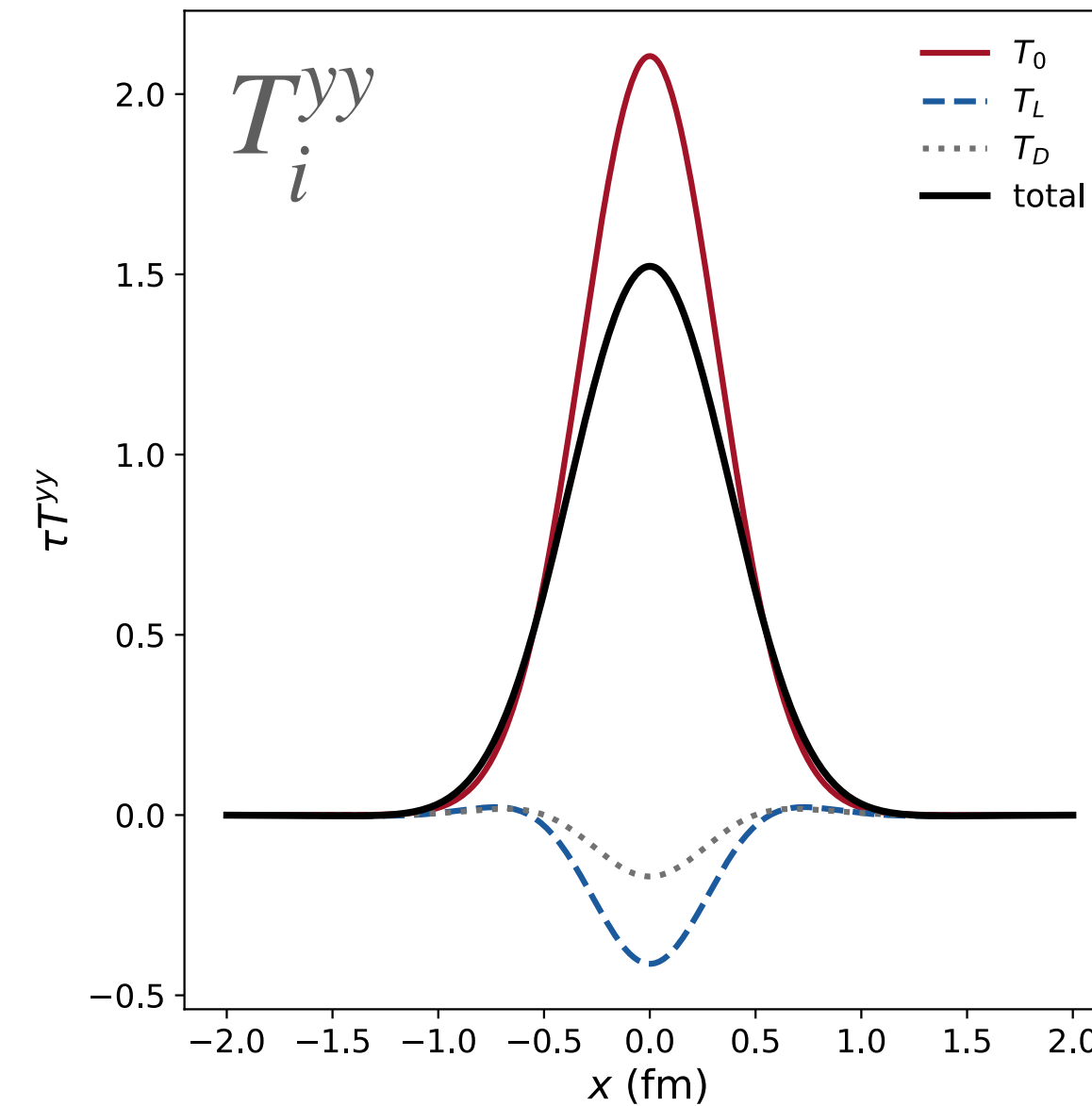
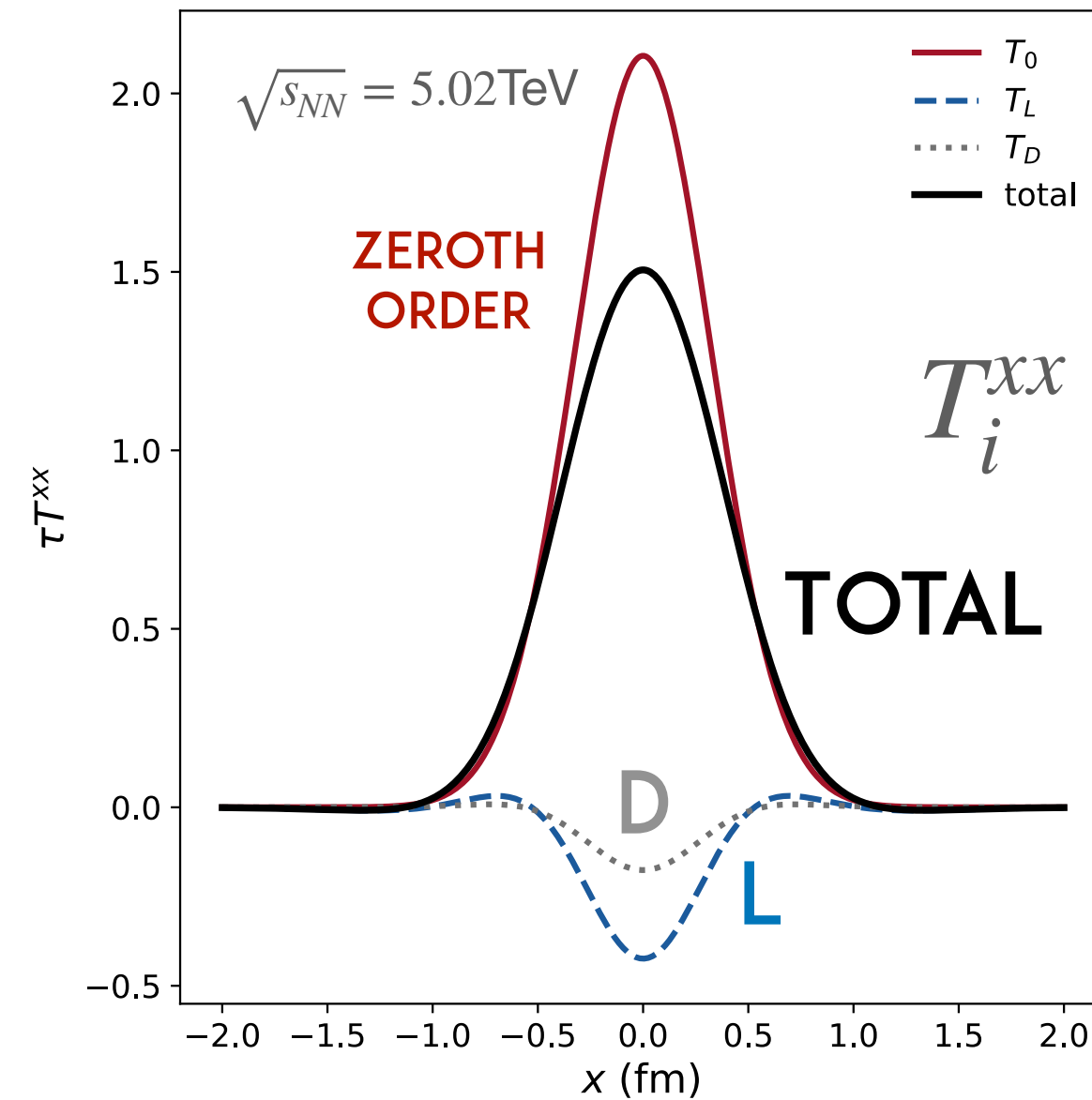
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Subscript Legend

L: Correction to formula

D: Correction to gluon dist.

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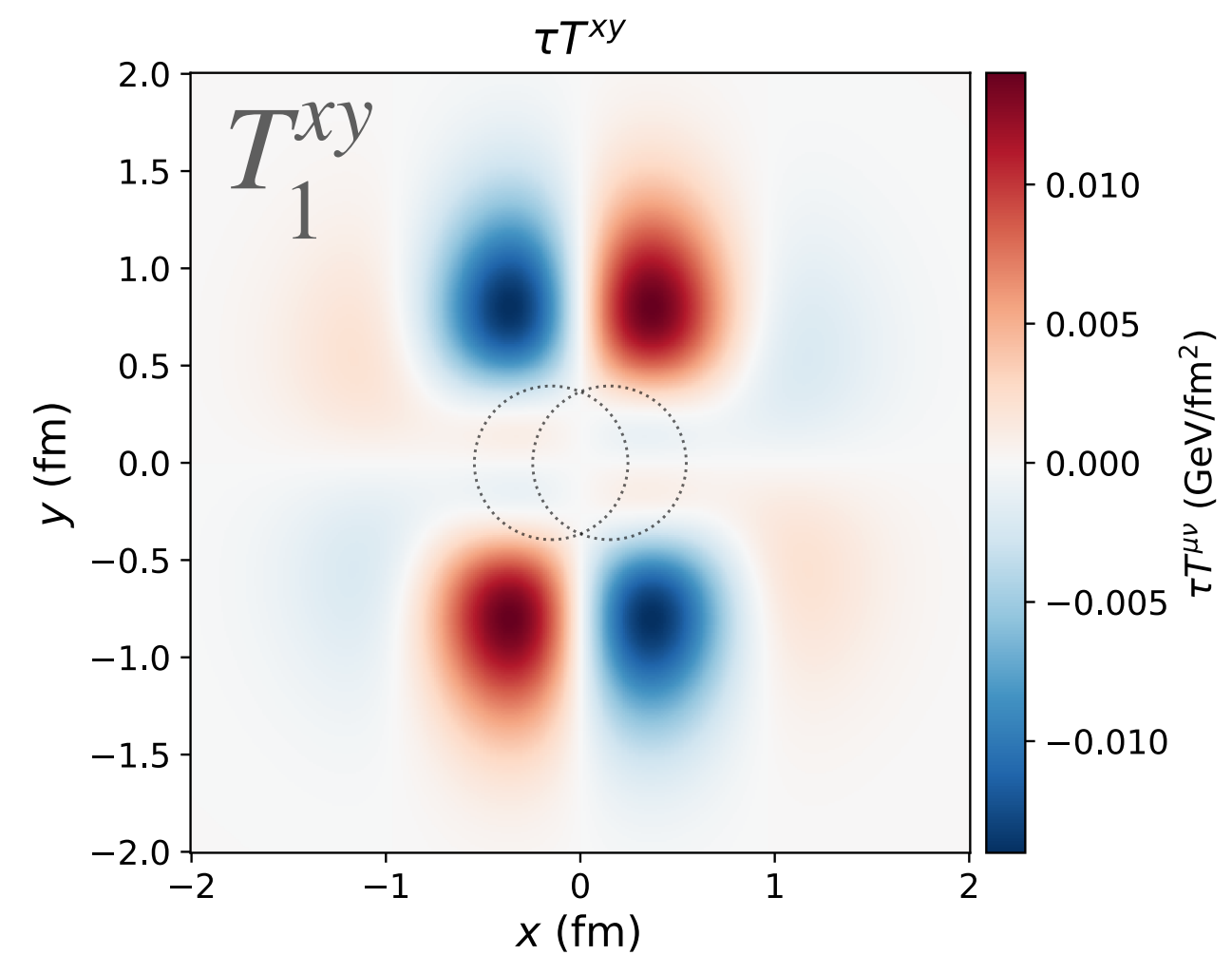
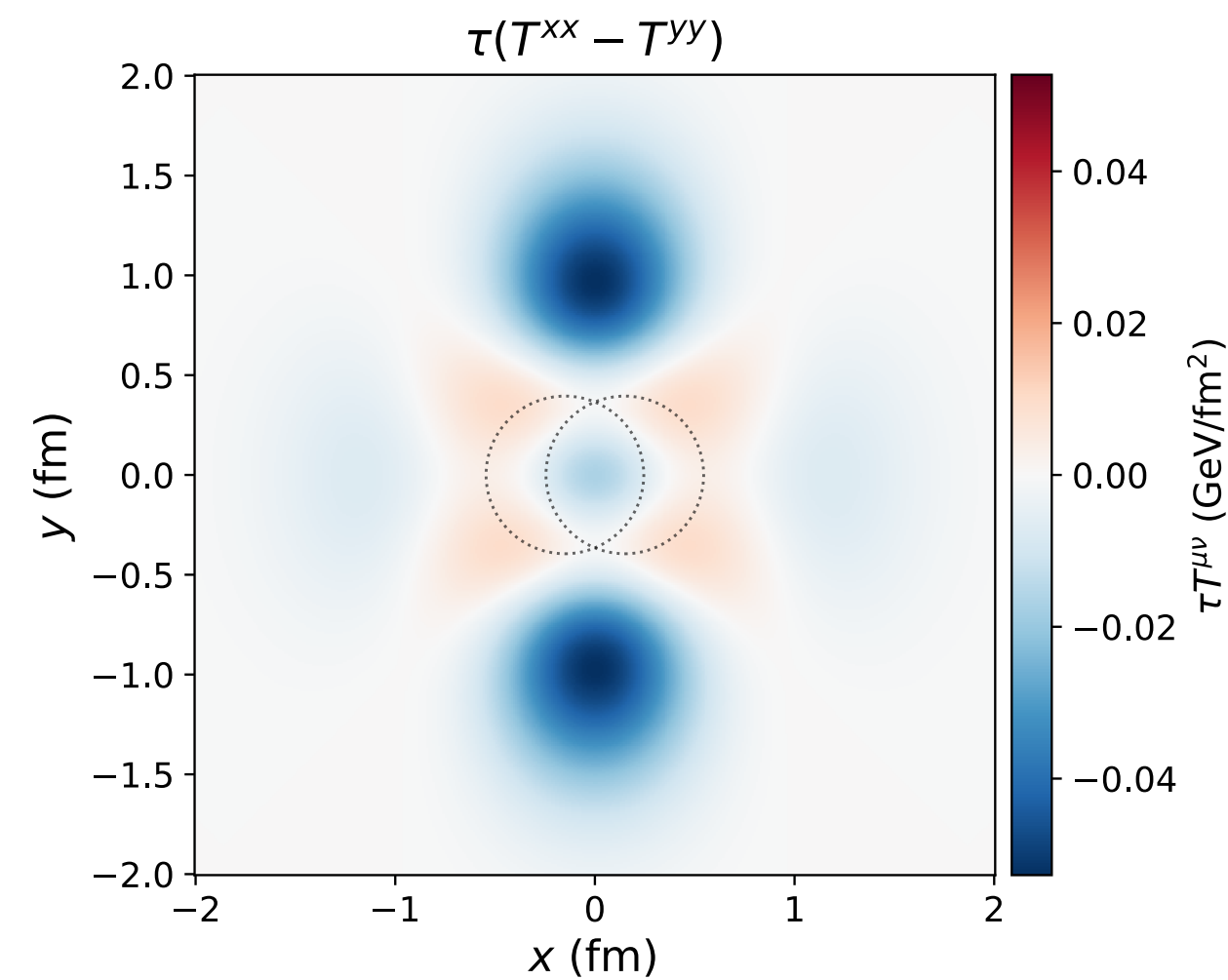
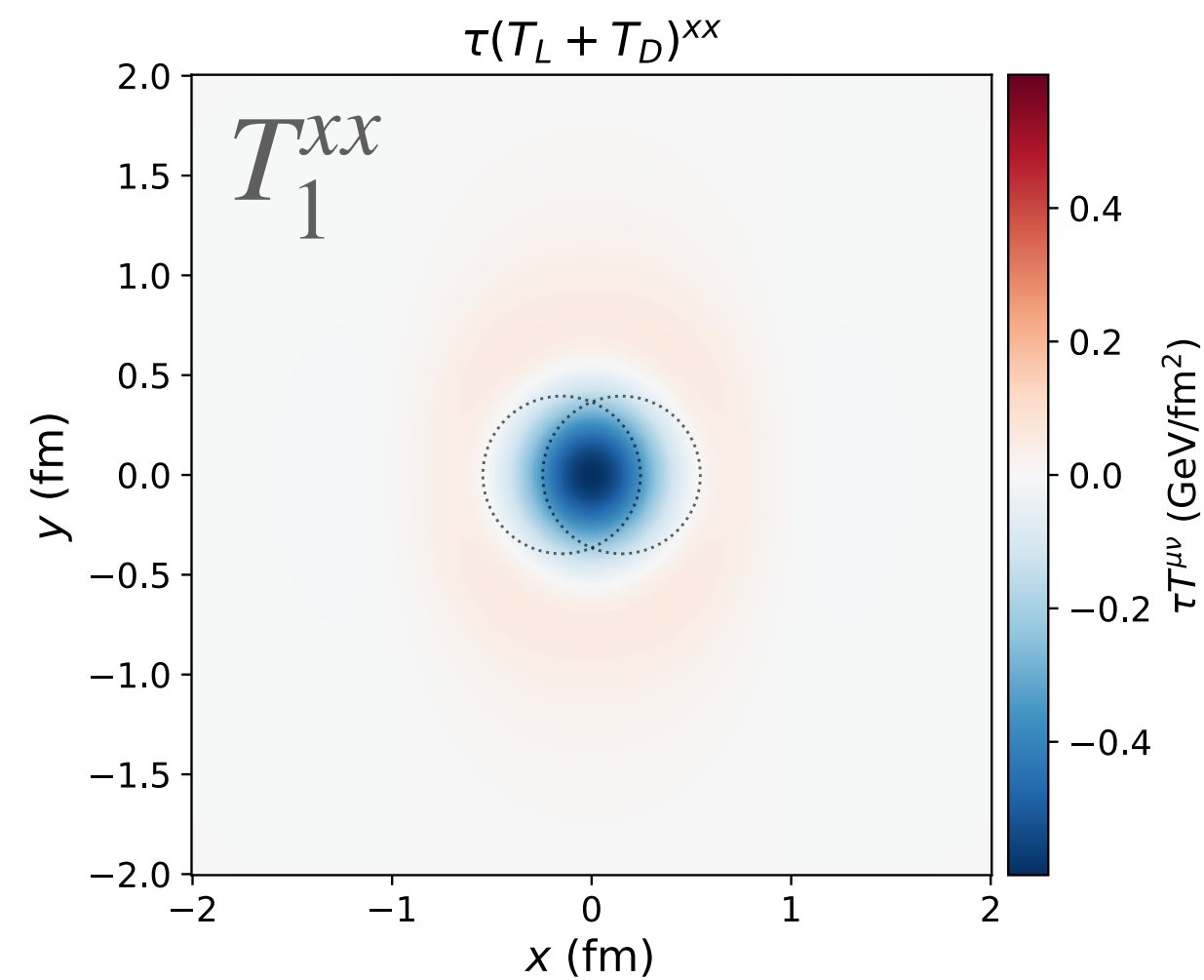
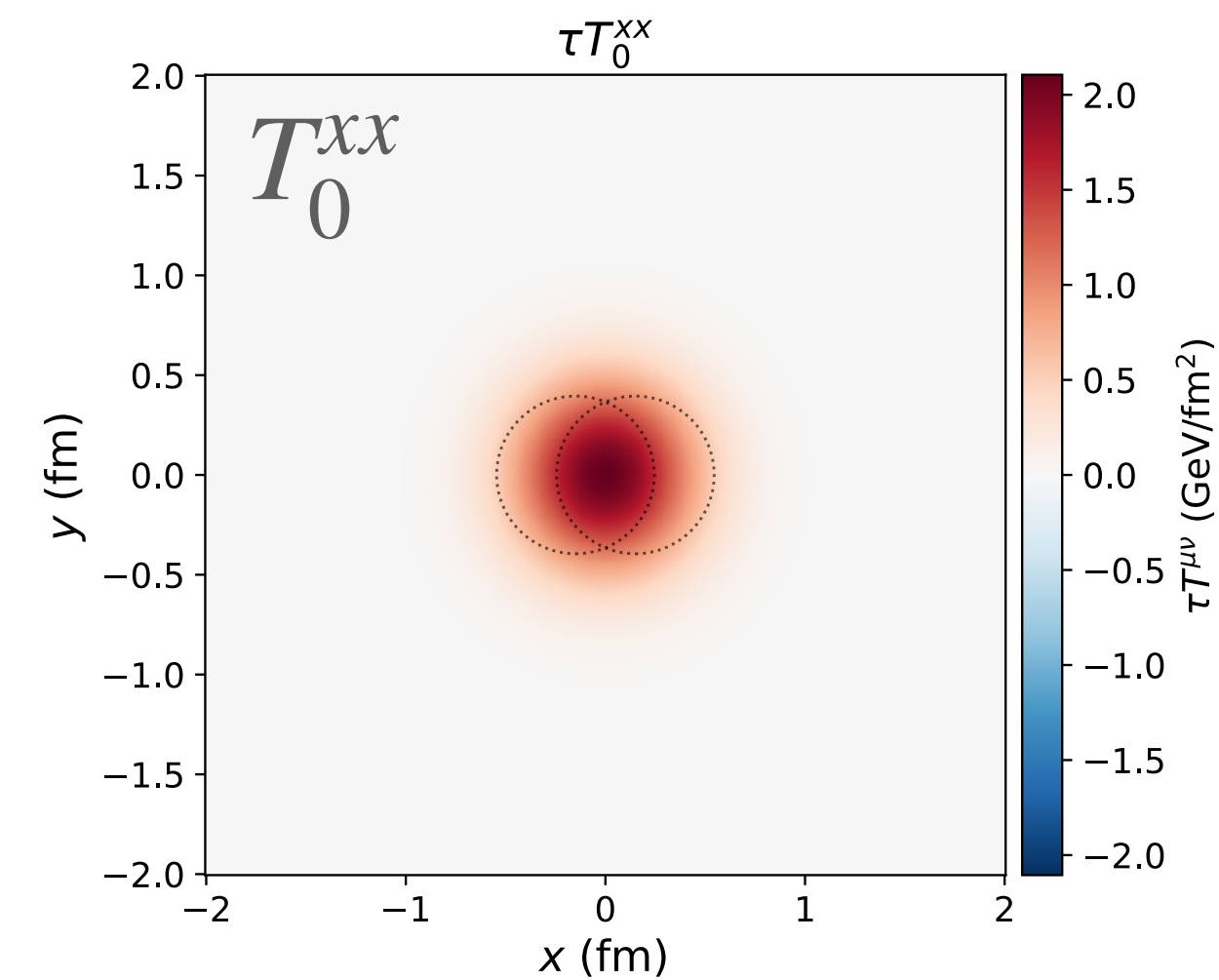
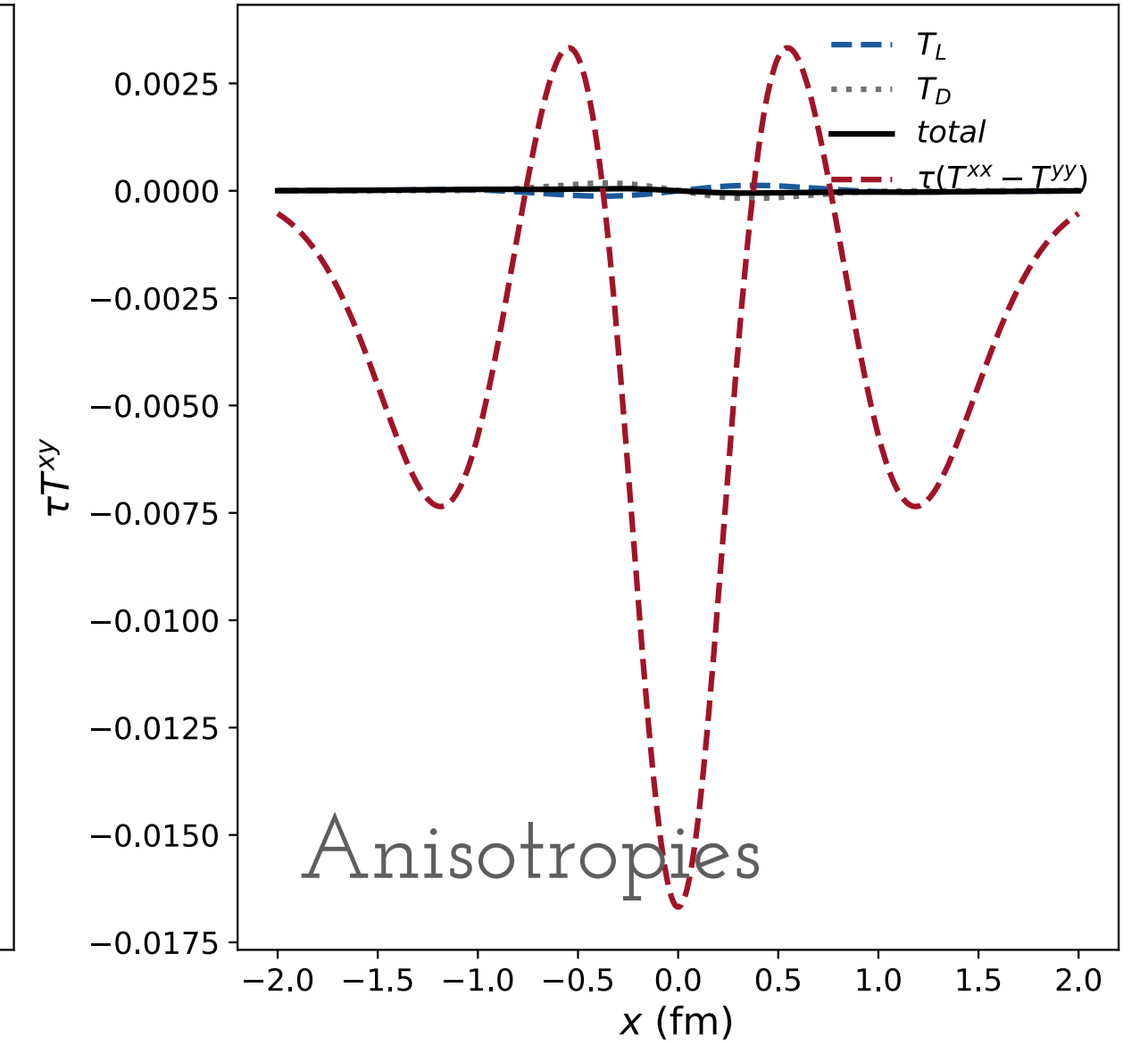
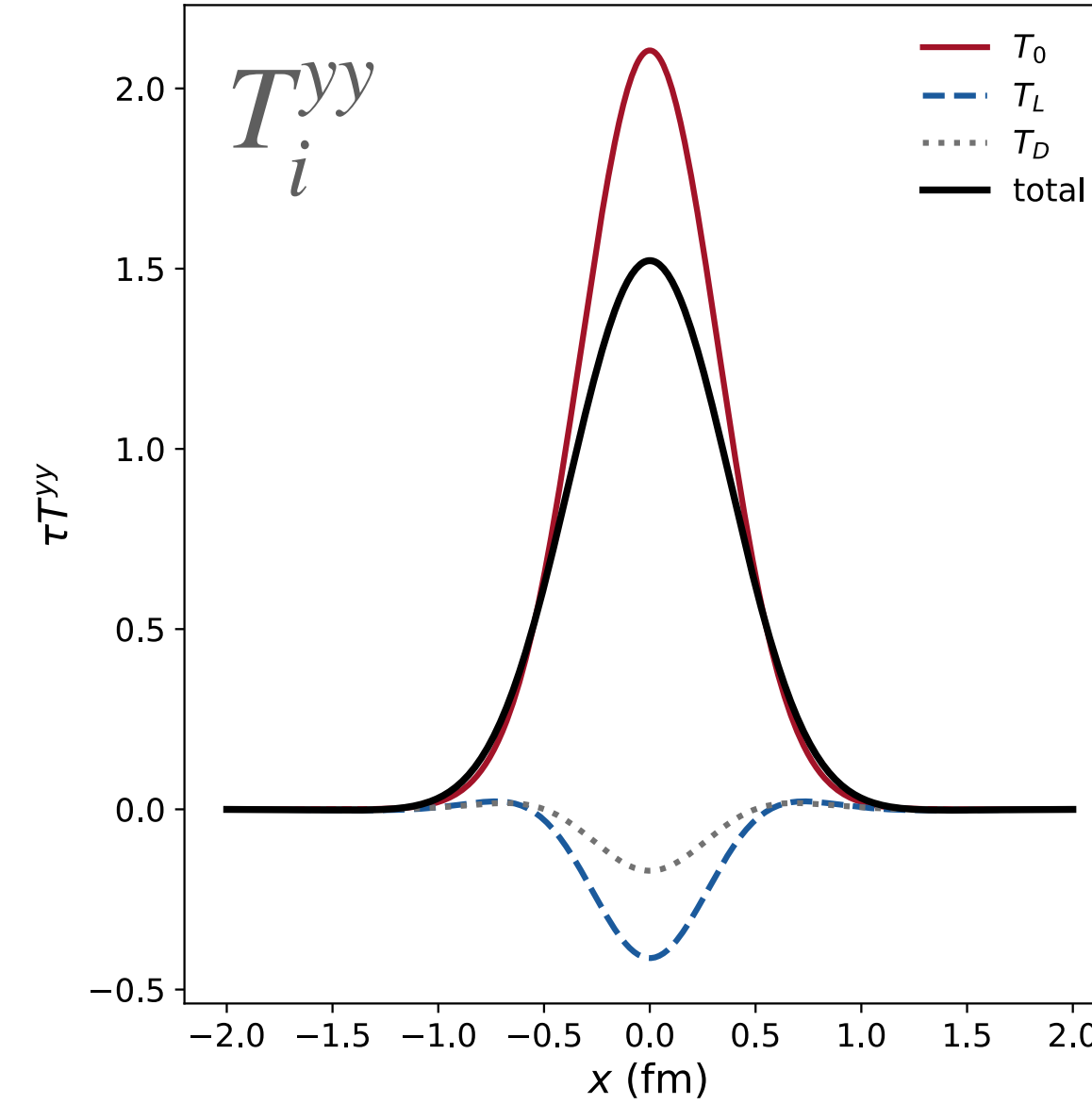
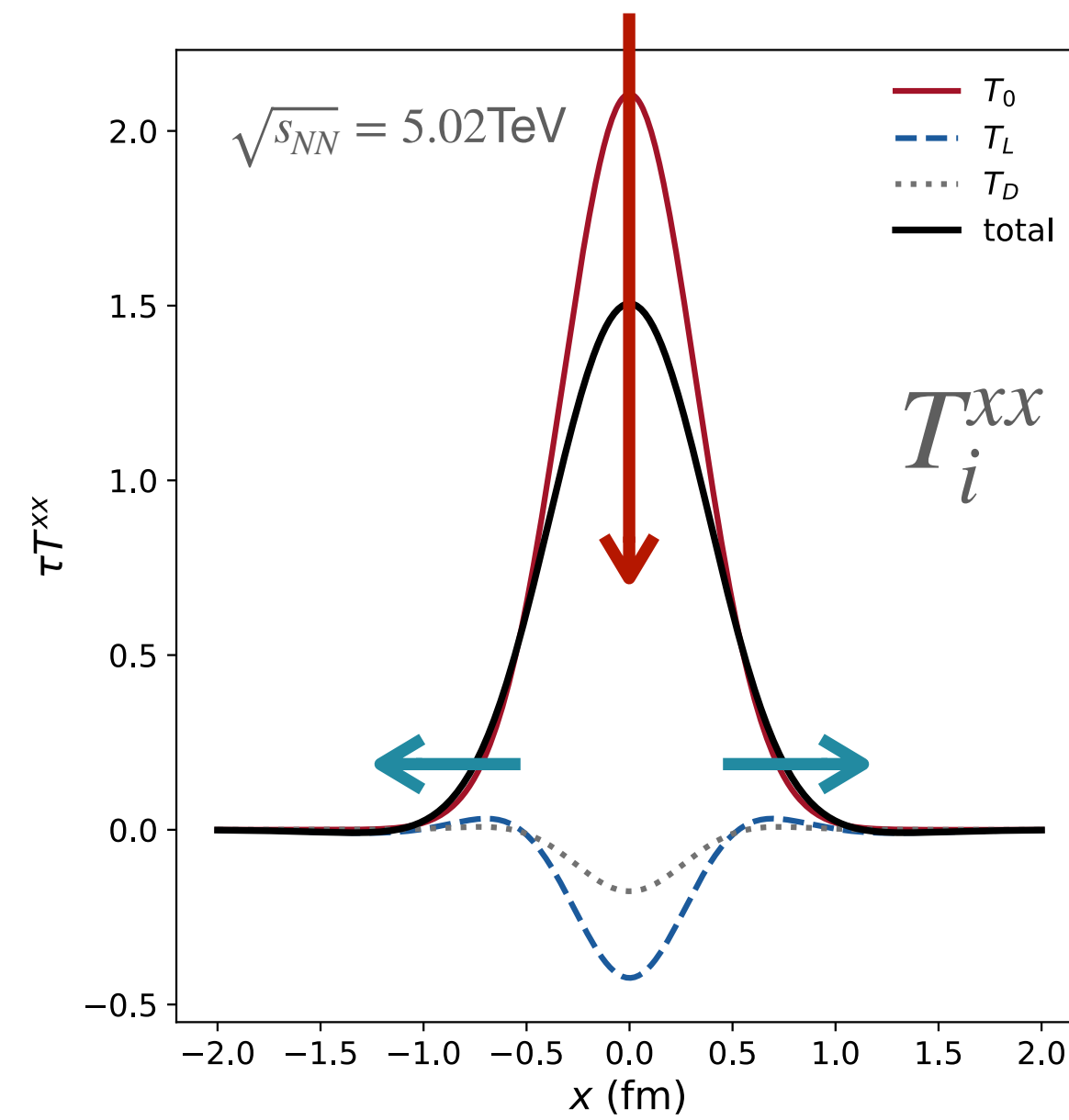
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$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$

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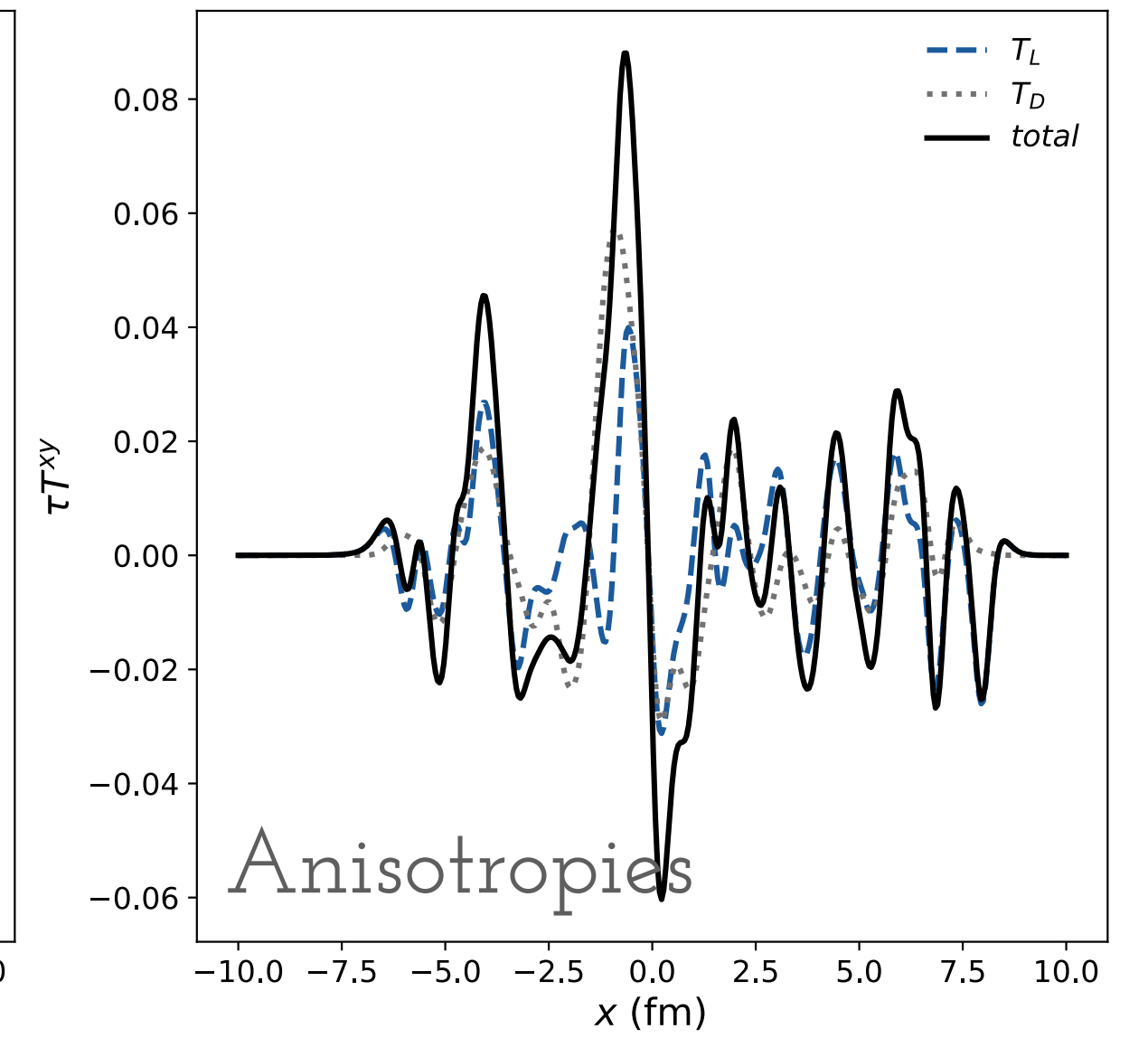
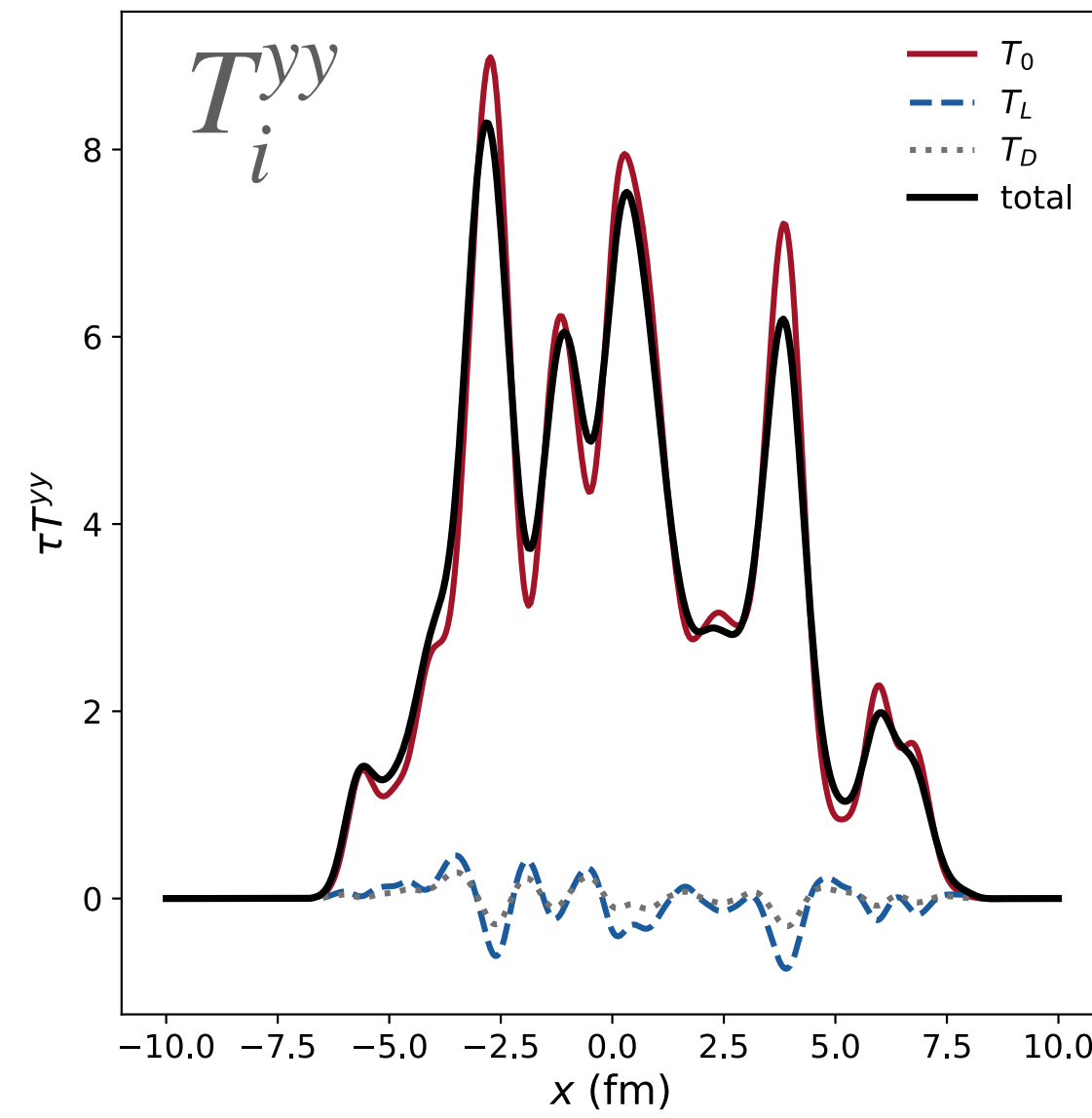
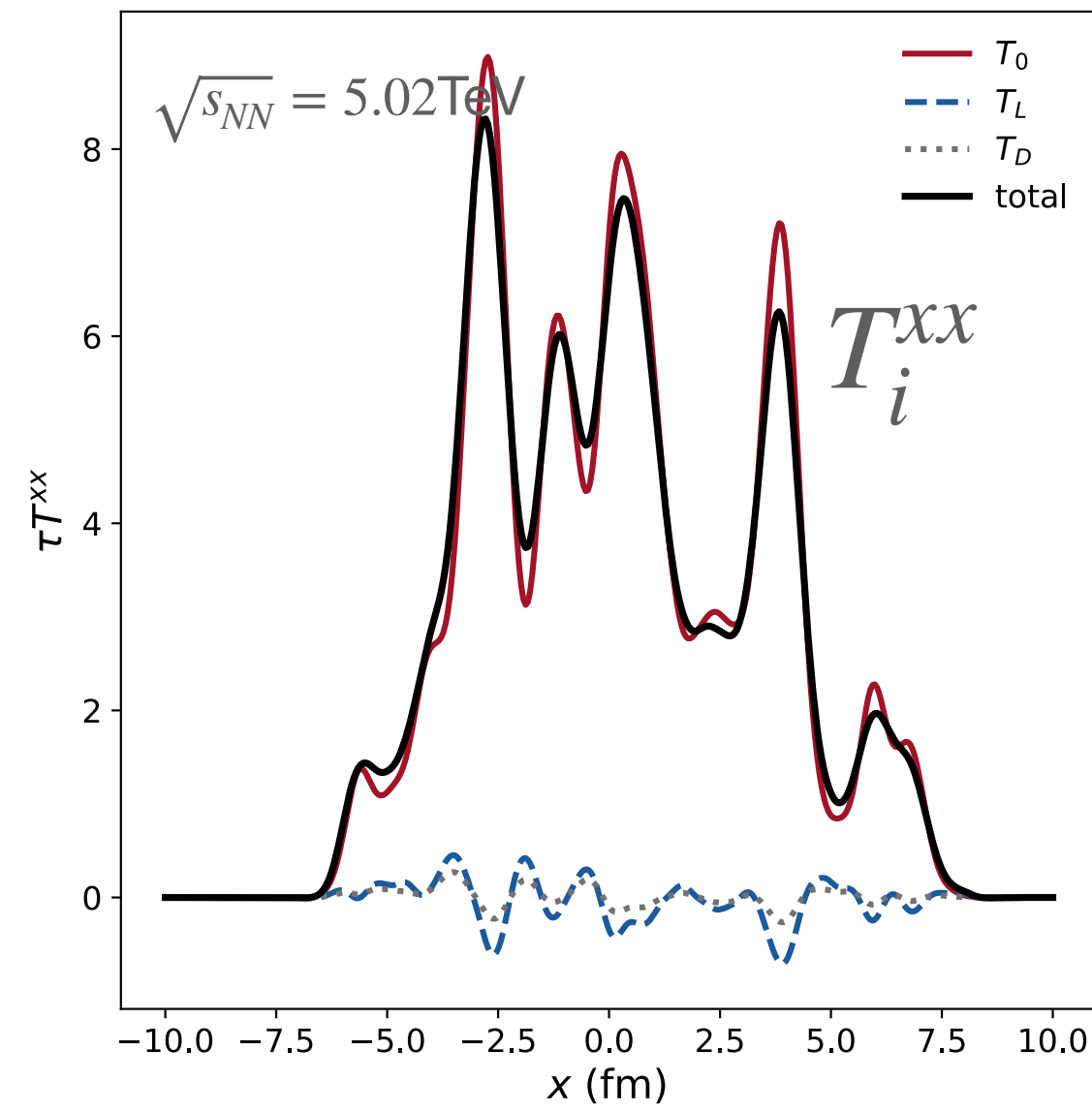
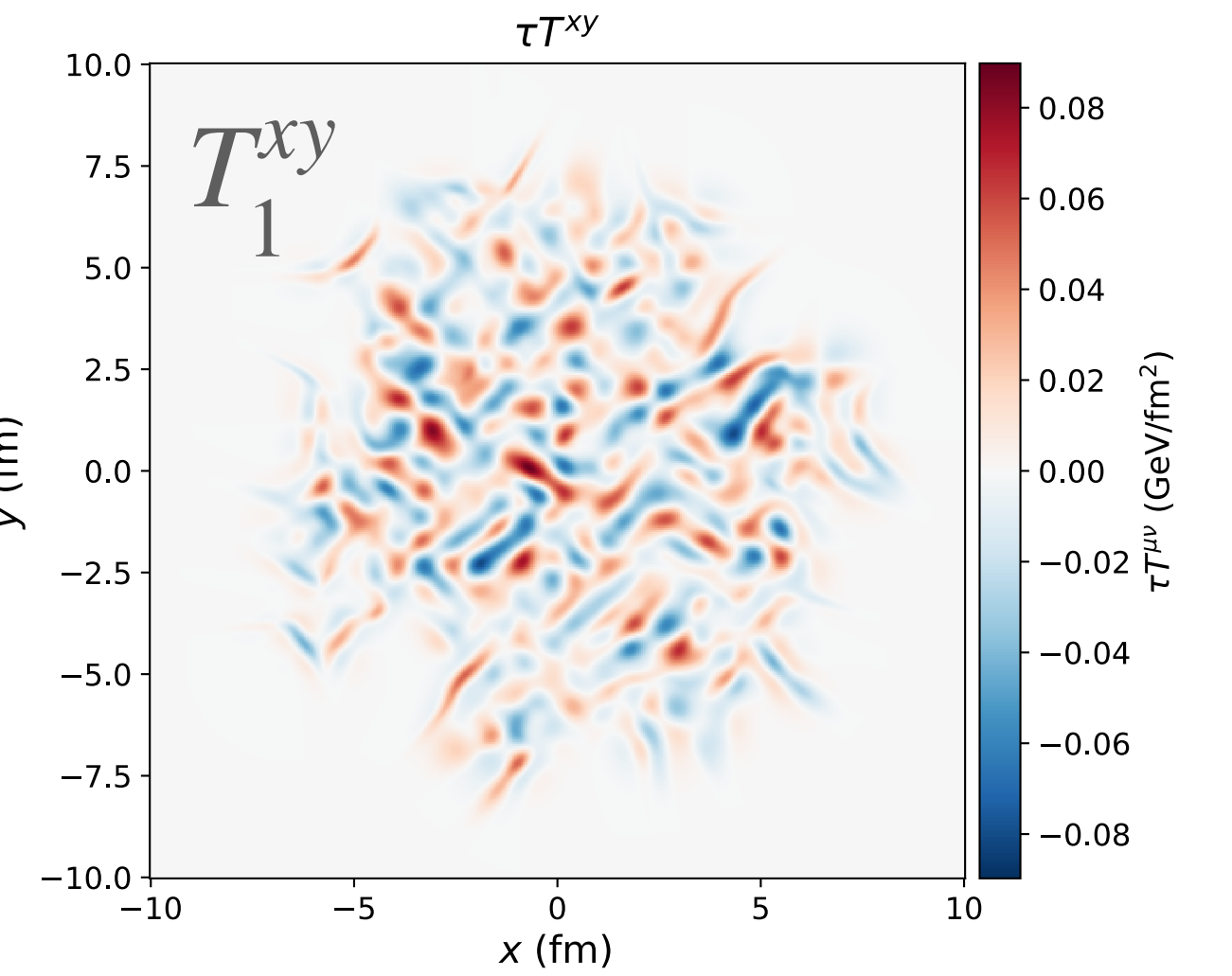
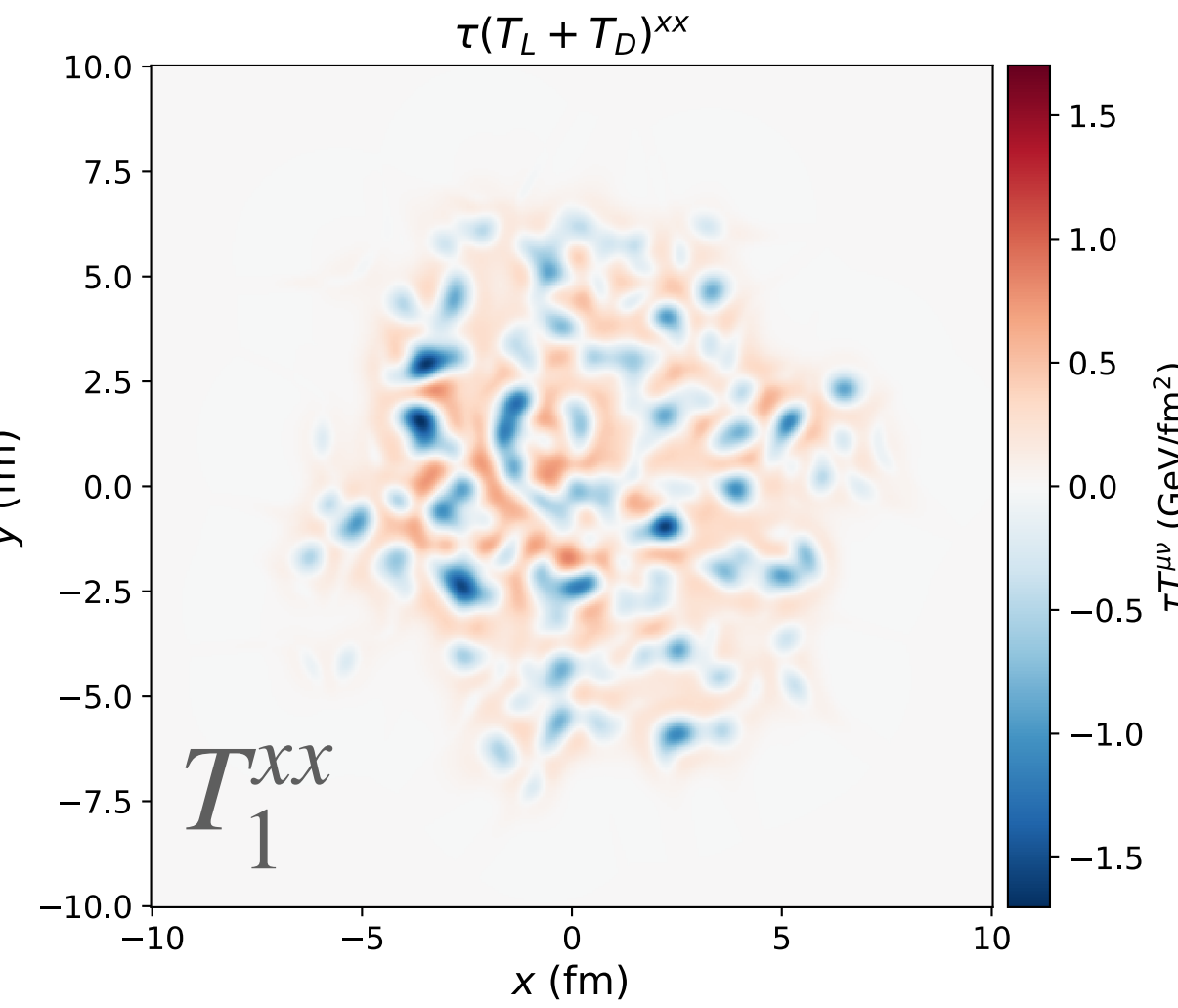
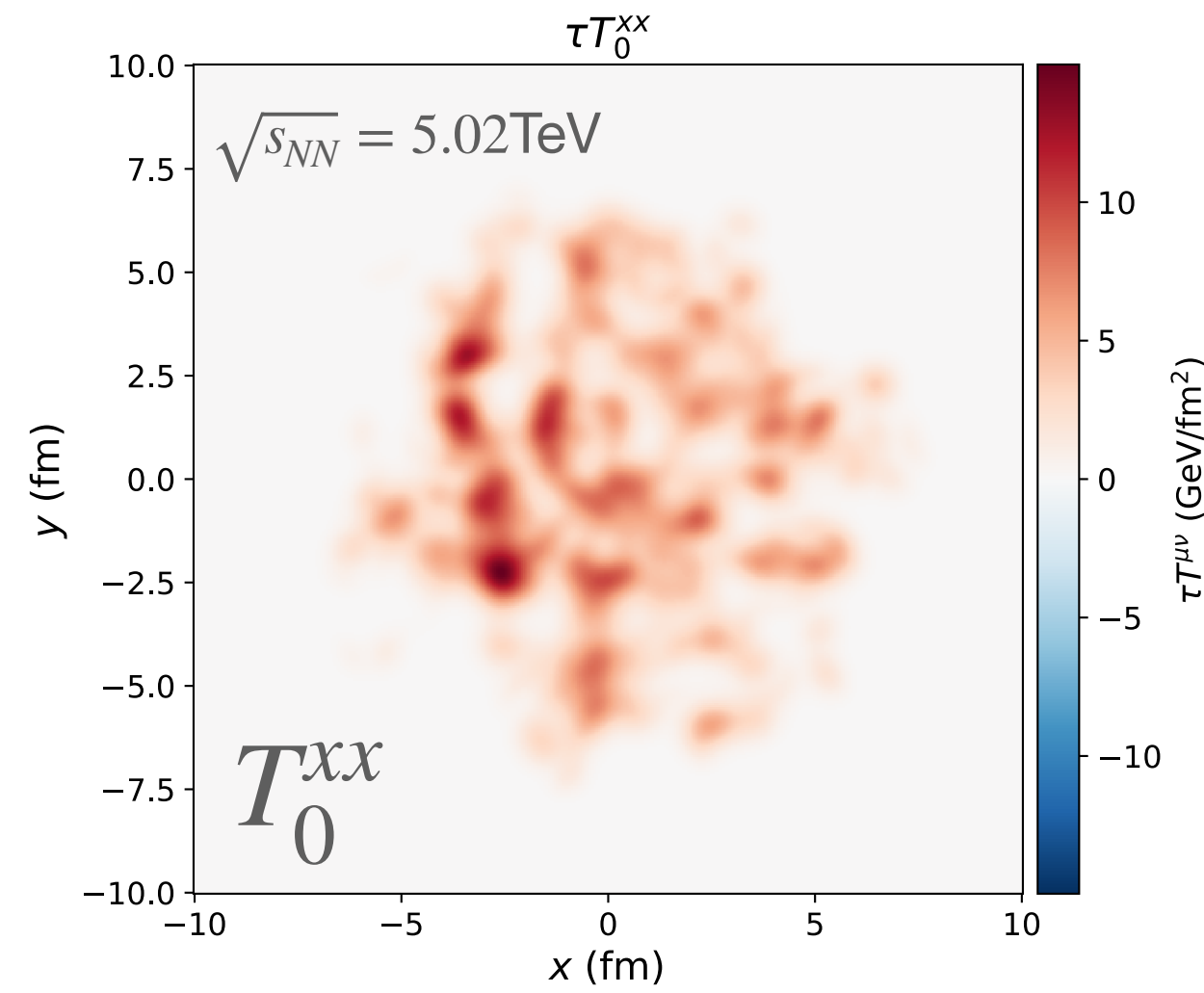
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Single event

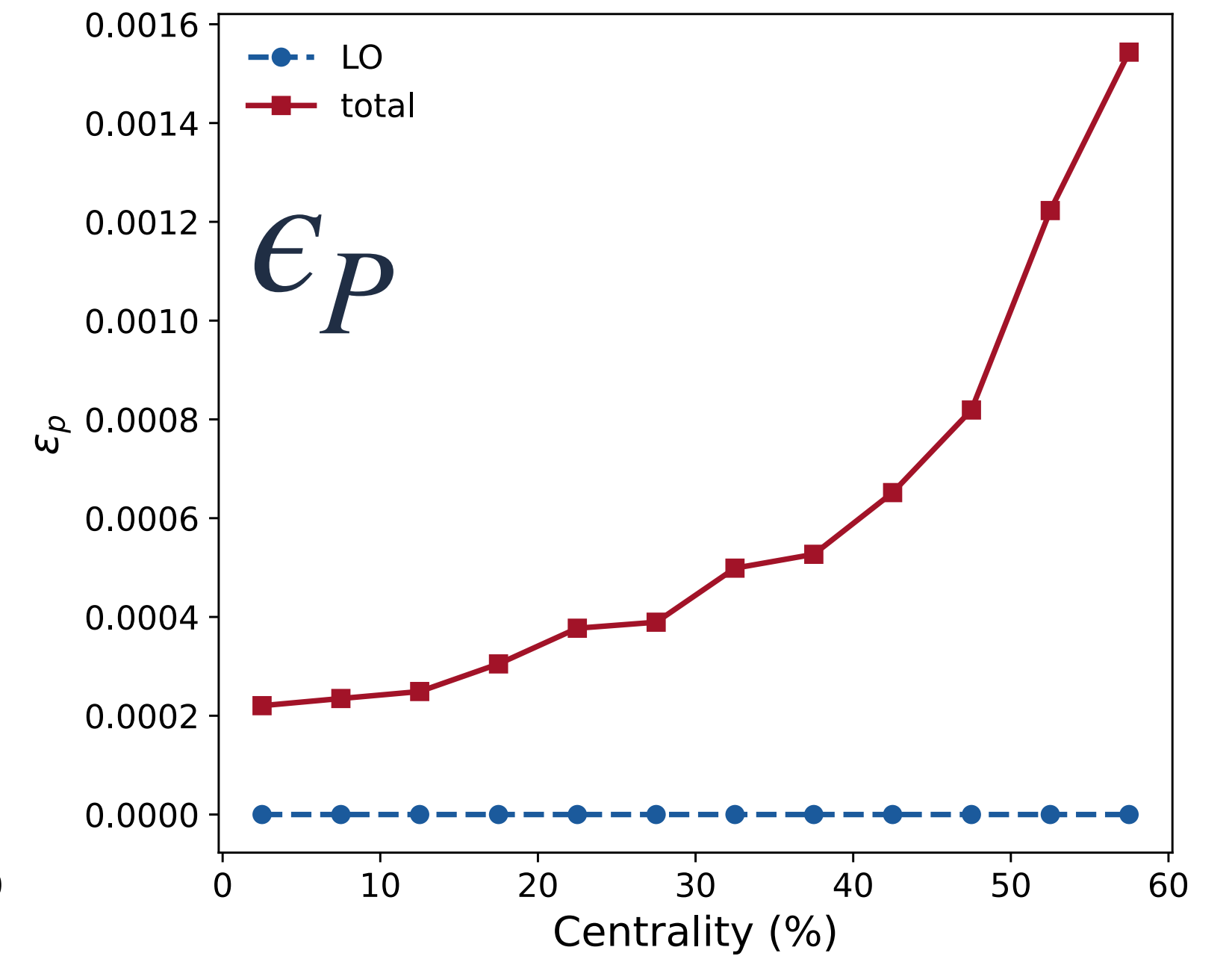
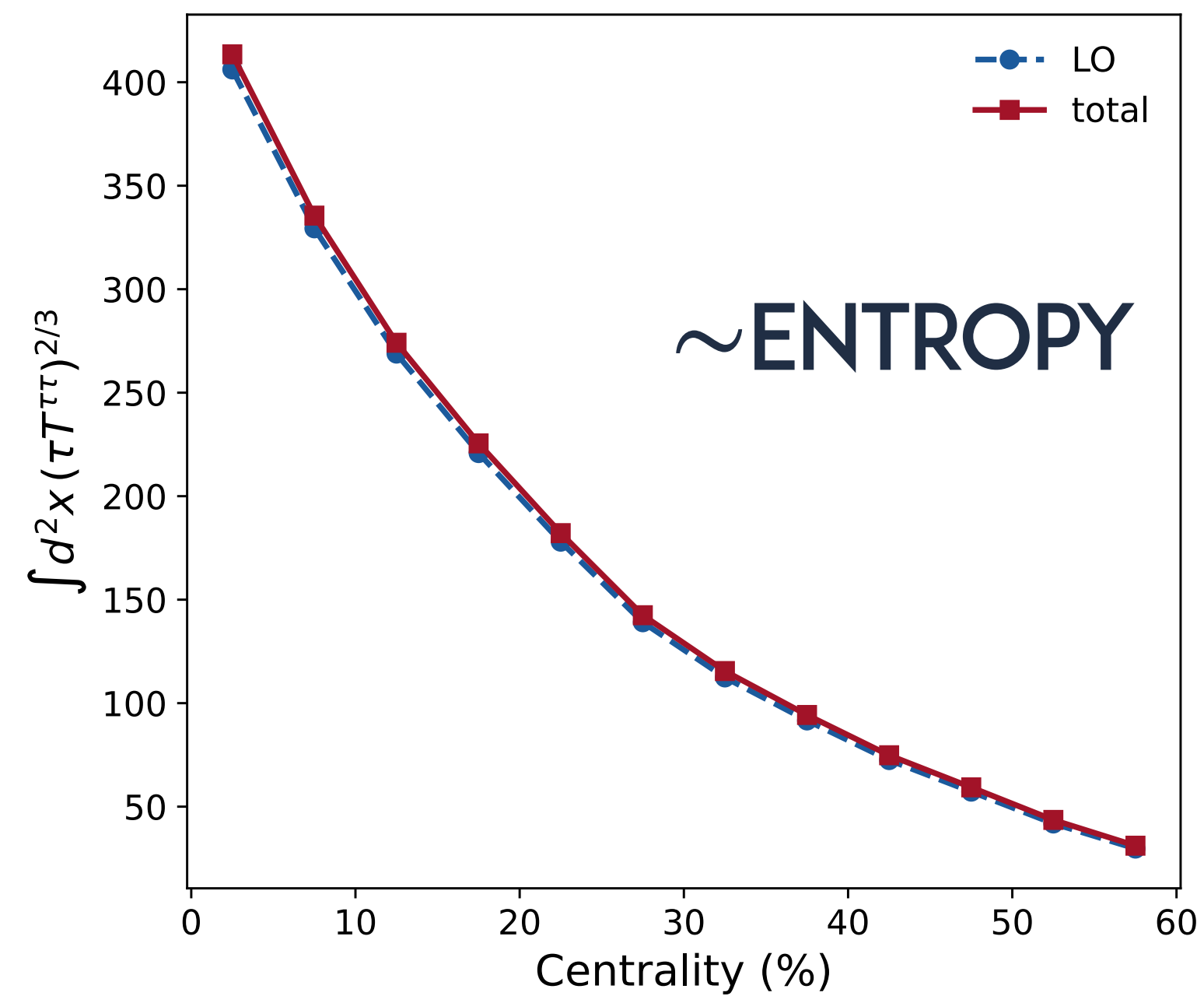
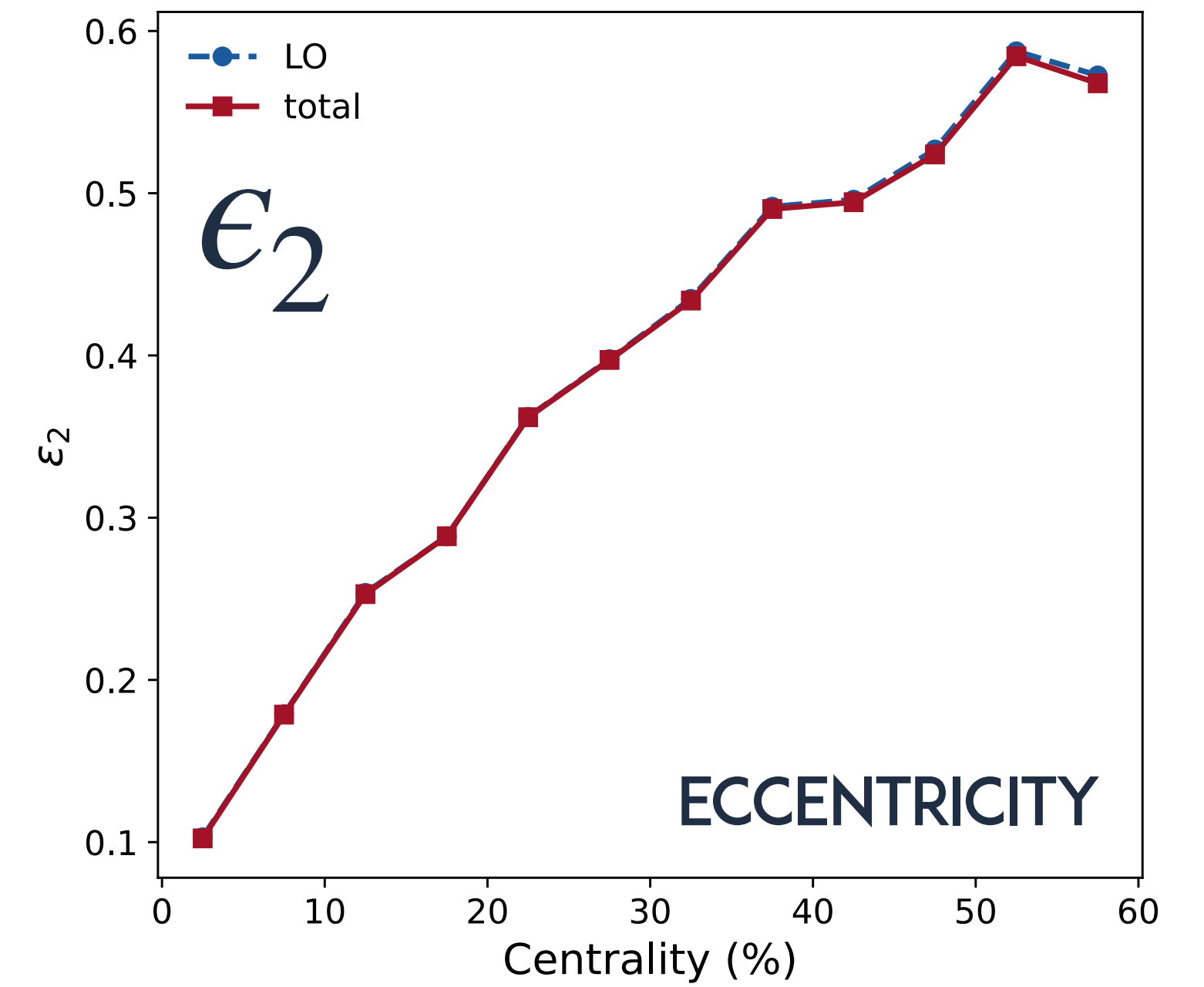
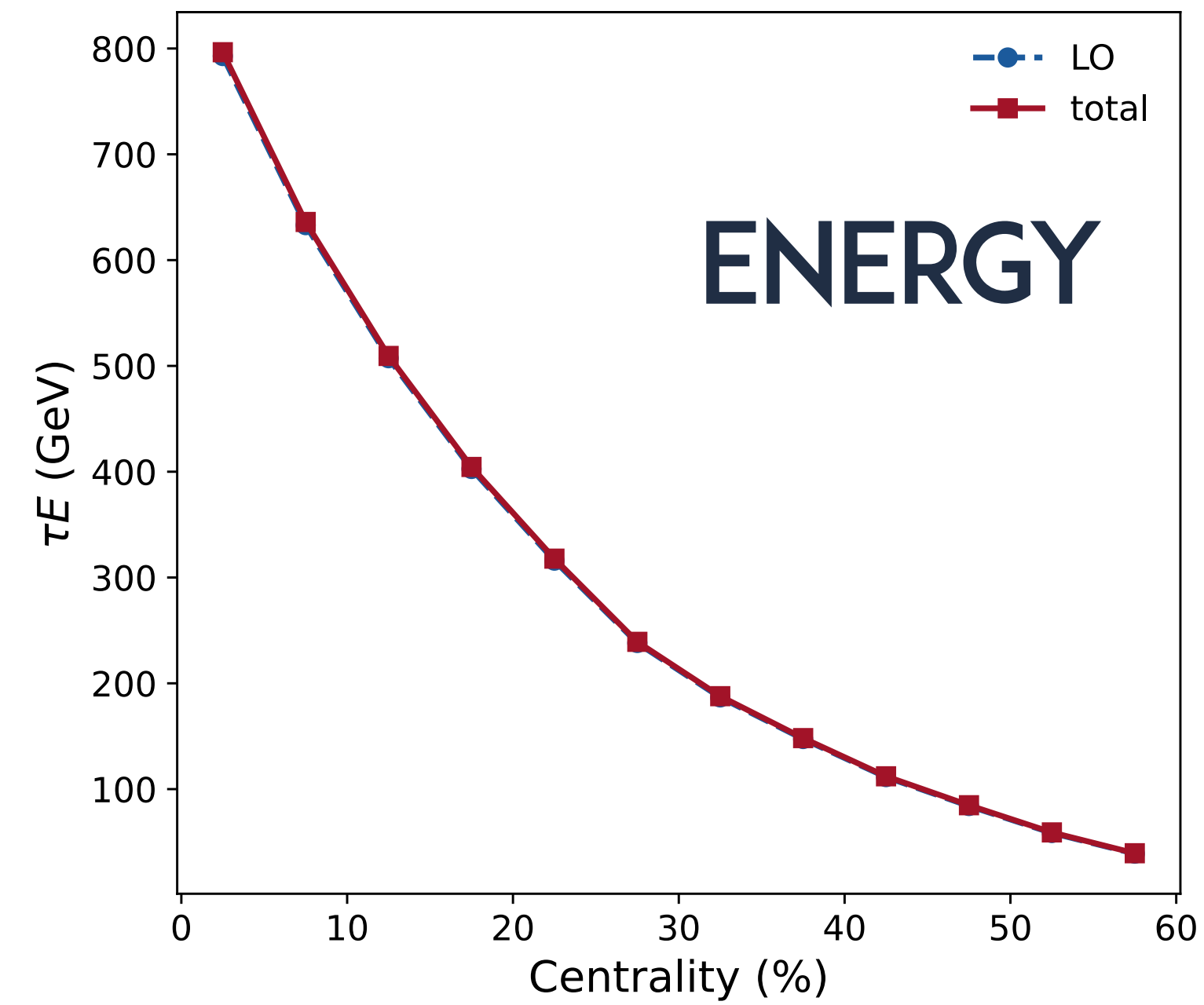
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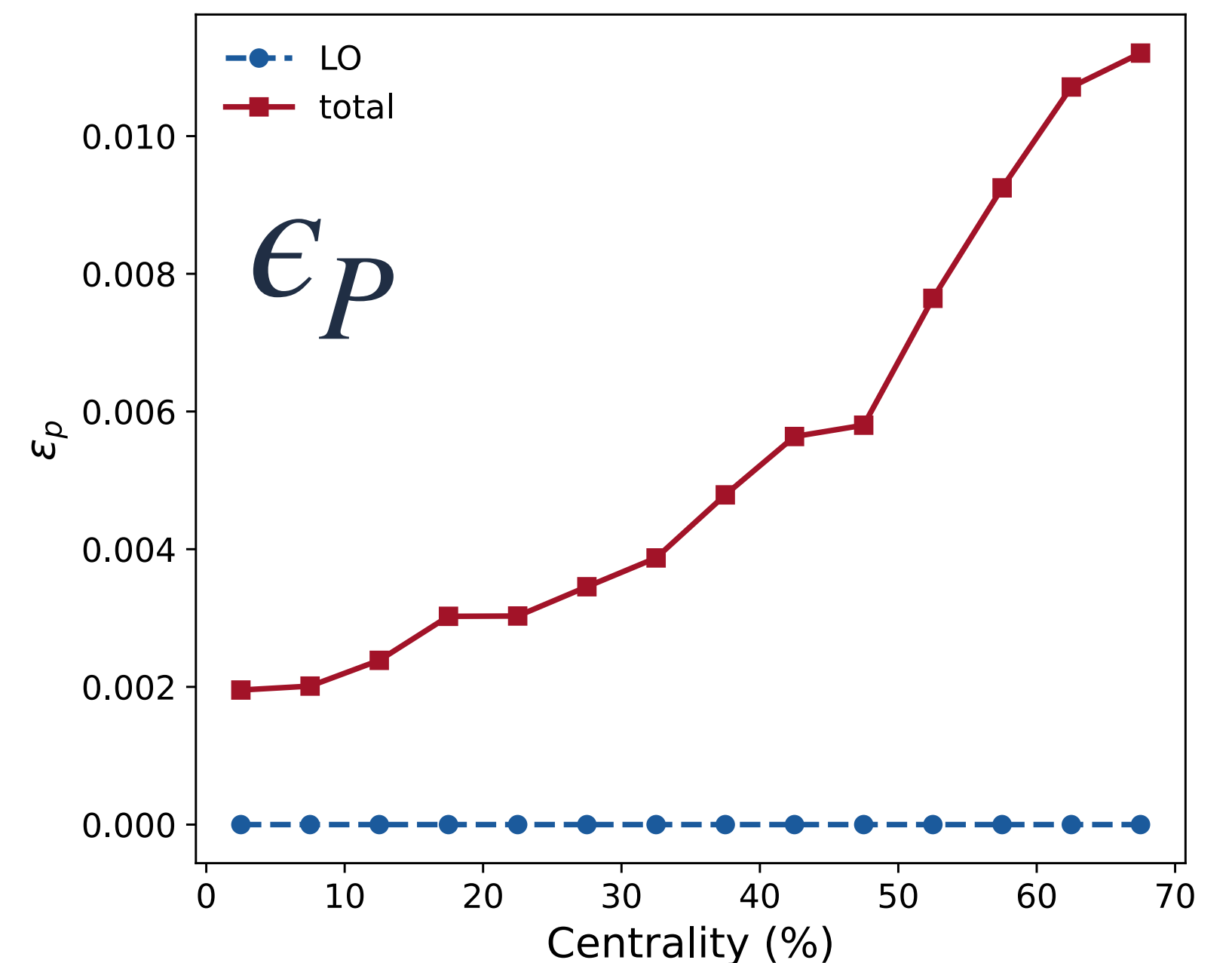
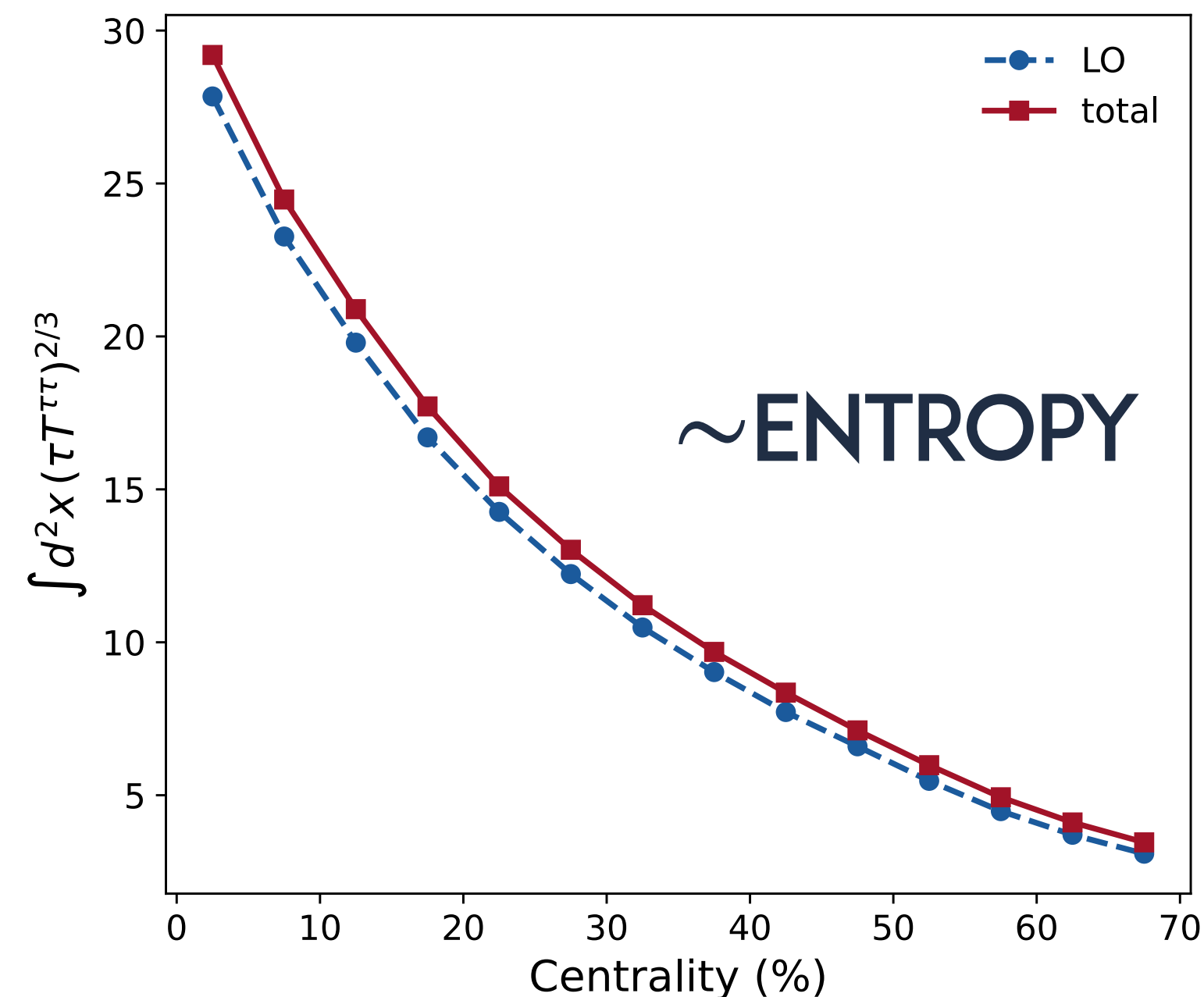
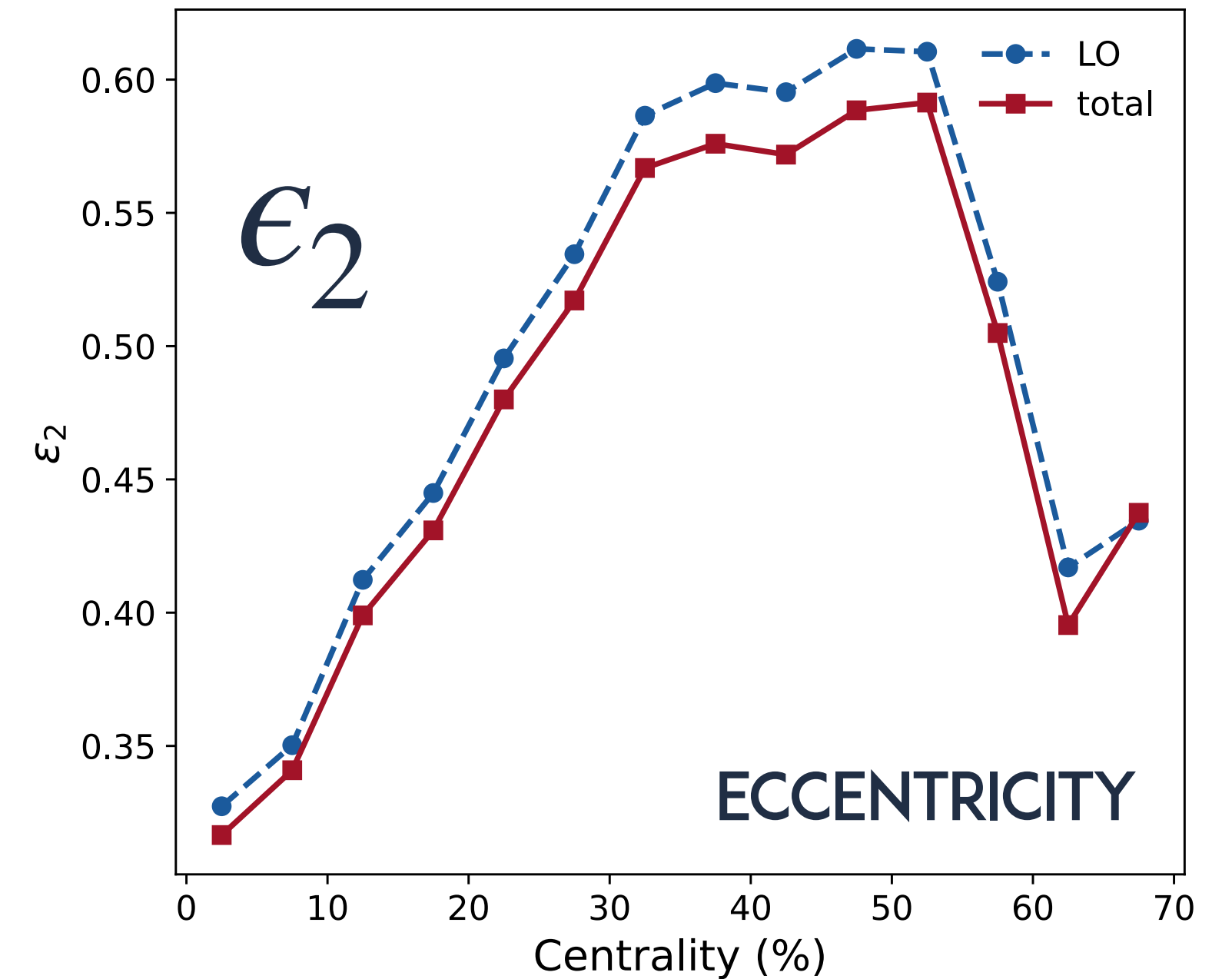
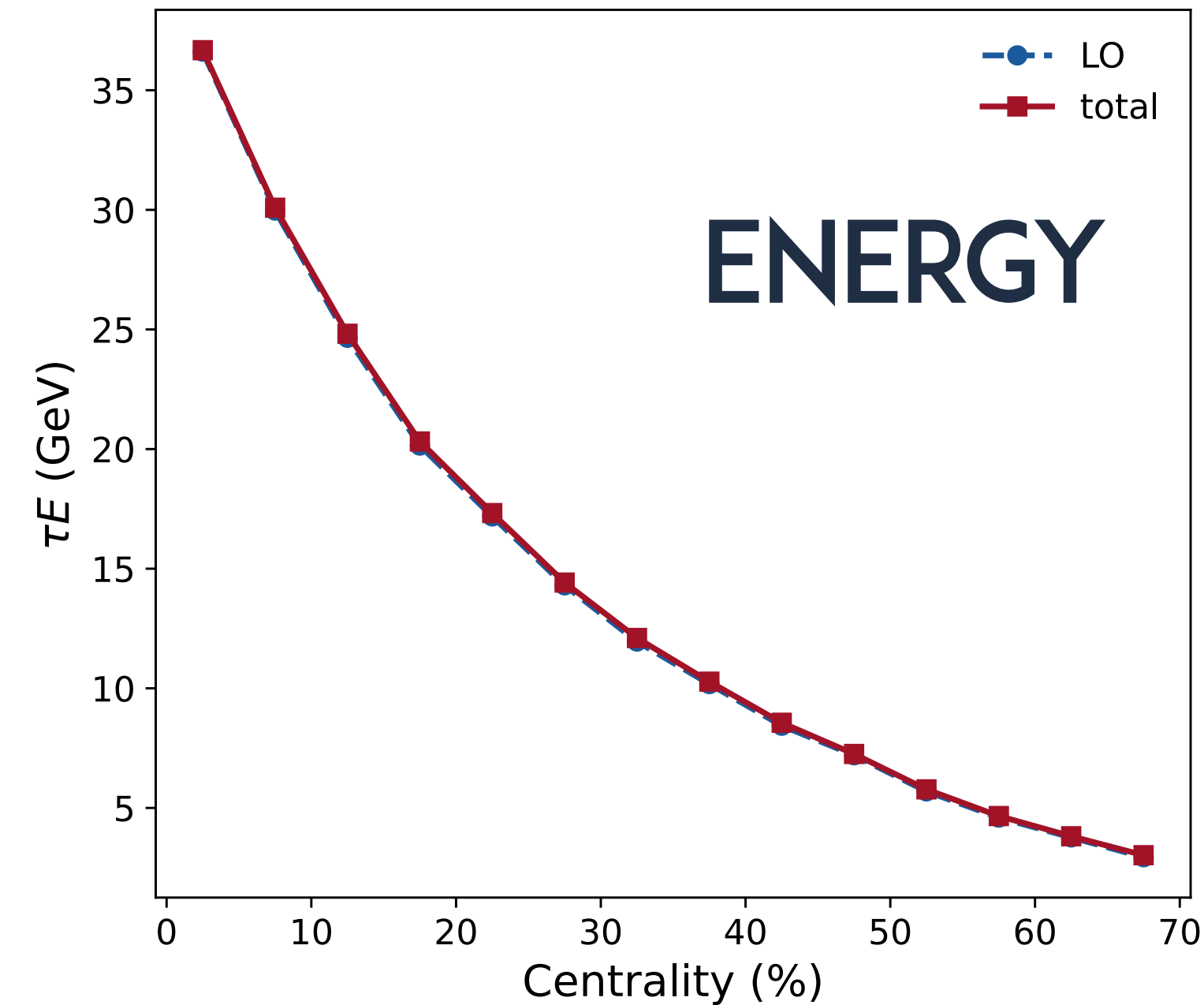
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O+O

Integrated effect is negligible for energy density but affects eccentricities and entropy, affecting multiplicity!

WHY TO CARE?

Seemingly a small effect globally, but locally is important!



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If you are interested in the initial state,

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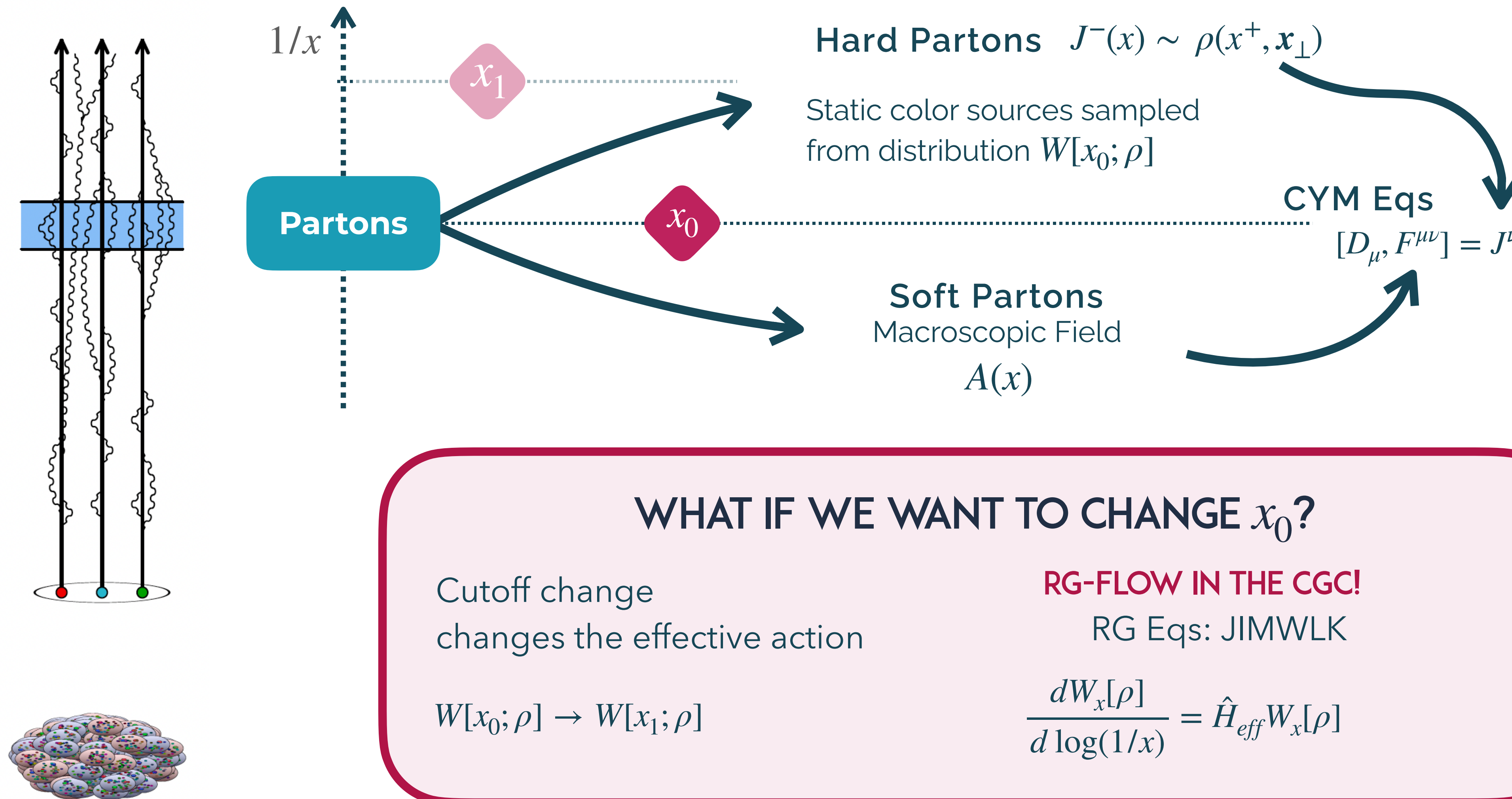
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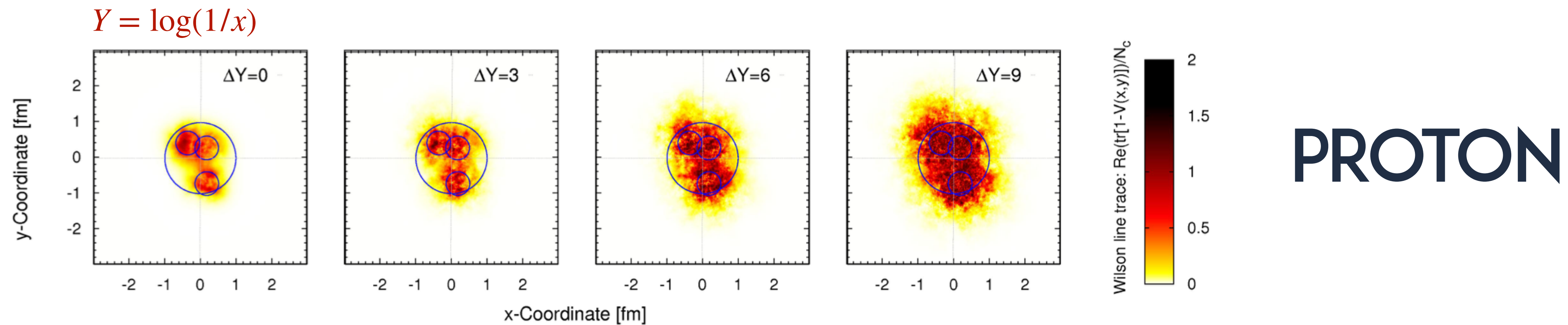
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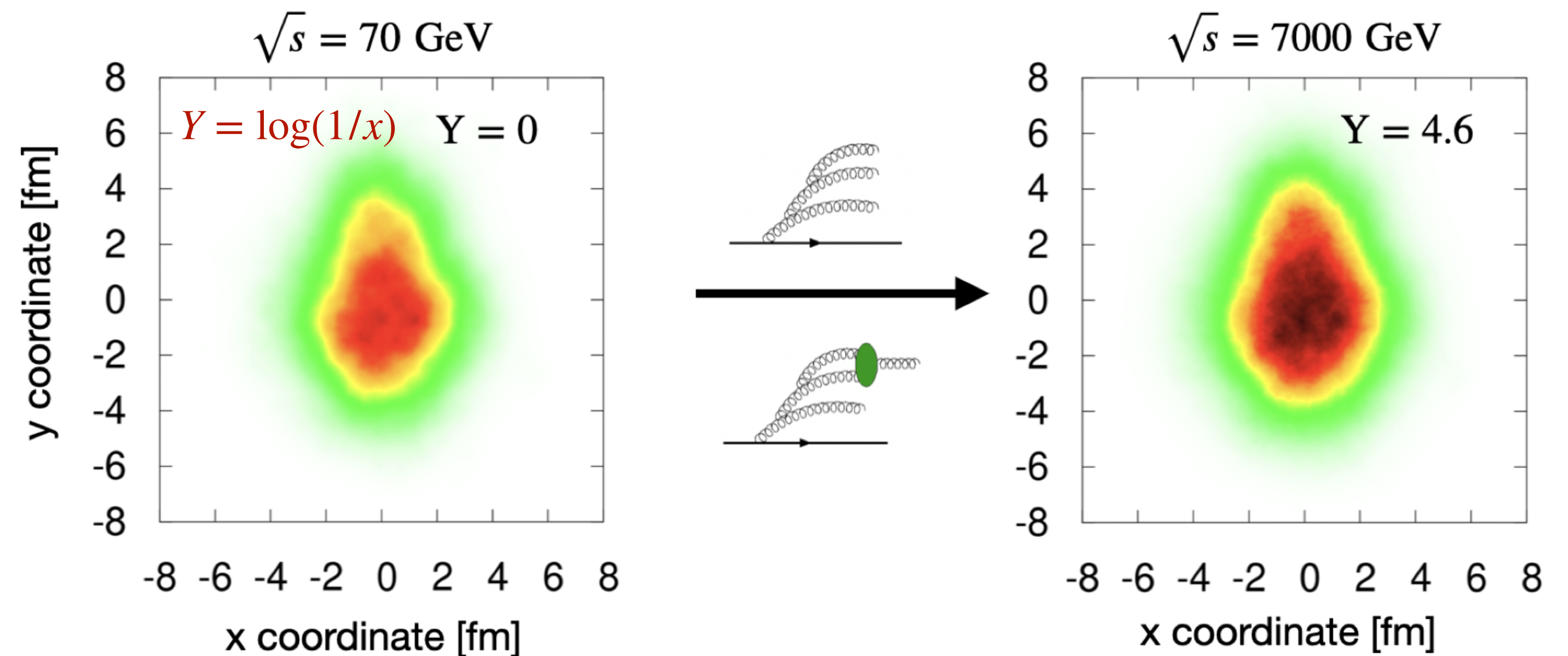
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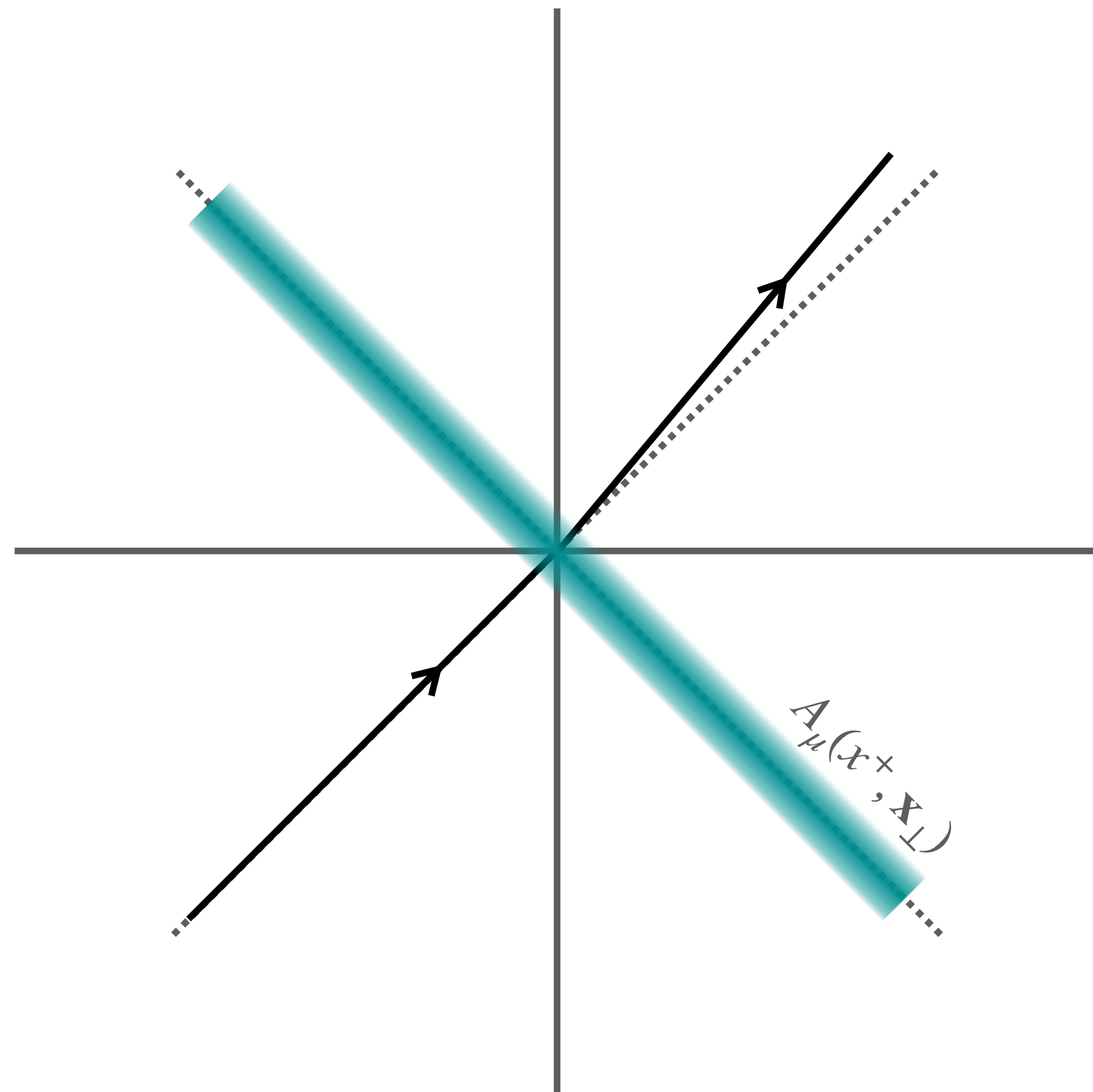
THE EFFECT OF EVOLUTION



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Simplest setting: Single charge meeting a wall of gluons

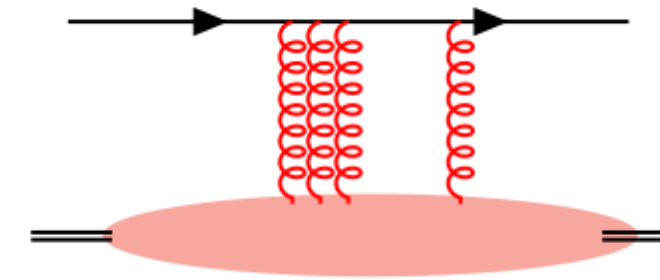
$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Diagram of a particle hitting a wall} = \sim -igA^-(z^+, x_\perp) + \sim (-igA(x))^2 + \sim (-igA(x))^3 \\
 & \quad \quad \quad + \text{symmetrization}
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 & = \text{Diagram of a particle hitting a red circle} \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \text{"Reggeized gluon"} \quad V_{x_\perp} = e^{-ig \int dz^+ A^-(z^+, x_\perp)} \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \text{a.k.a. Wilson Line}
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All possible "kicks" by the gluons within the target

Test particle's transverse momentum (initially 0) is broadened dynamically (with mean around $Q_s(x)$!)

CGC → Strong classical fields:
Multiple scattering, broadening



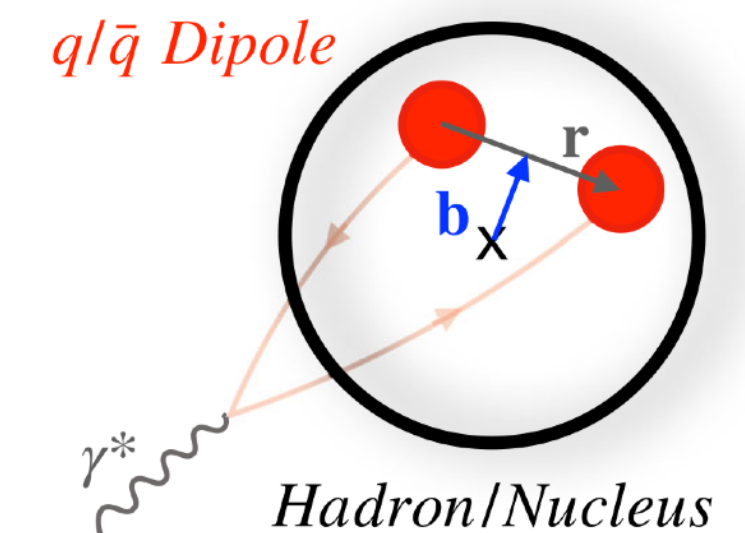
→ A theory of Wilson lines $V_{x_\perp} = e^{-ig \int dz^+ A^-(z^+, x_\perp)}$, re-sums $\alpha_s \log 1/x$ terms

→ Observables are a combination of **hard-factors** and **colour averaged** source functionals

$$\langle \hat{O} \rangle_x = \int_{\{k_i\}} \Theta(\{k_i\}) \otimes \langle F[\{\rho_i\}] \rangle_x$$

Dynamics of obs. (pointing to $\Theta(\{k_i\})$)
Parton distributions + Low- x evolution (pointing to $\langle F[\{\rho_i\}] \rangle_x$)

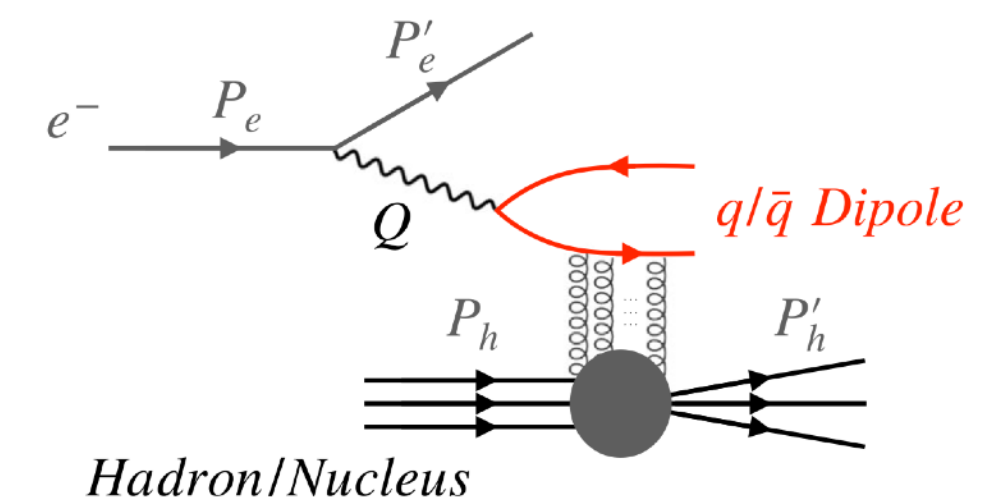
$$\langle F[\rho] \rangle_x = \int \mathcal{D}\rho W[x; \rho] F[\rho]$$



→ Classic example: dipole cross section at LO in α_s

$$\sigma_{L,T}^{\gamma^* p} = 2 \sum_f \int_{\mathbf{b}_\perp, \mathbf{r}_\perp} \int_z \left| \psi_{L,T}^{\gamma^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}}(r, z, Q^2) \right|^2 D(x, b, r)$$

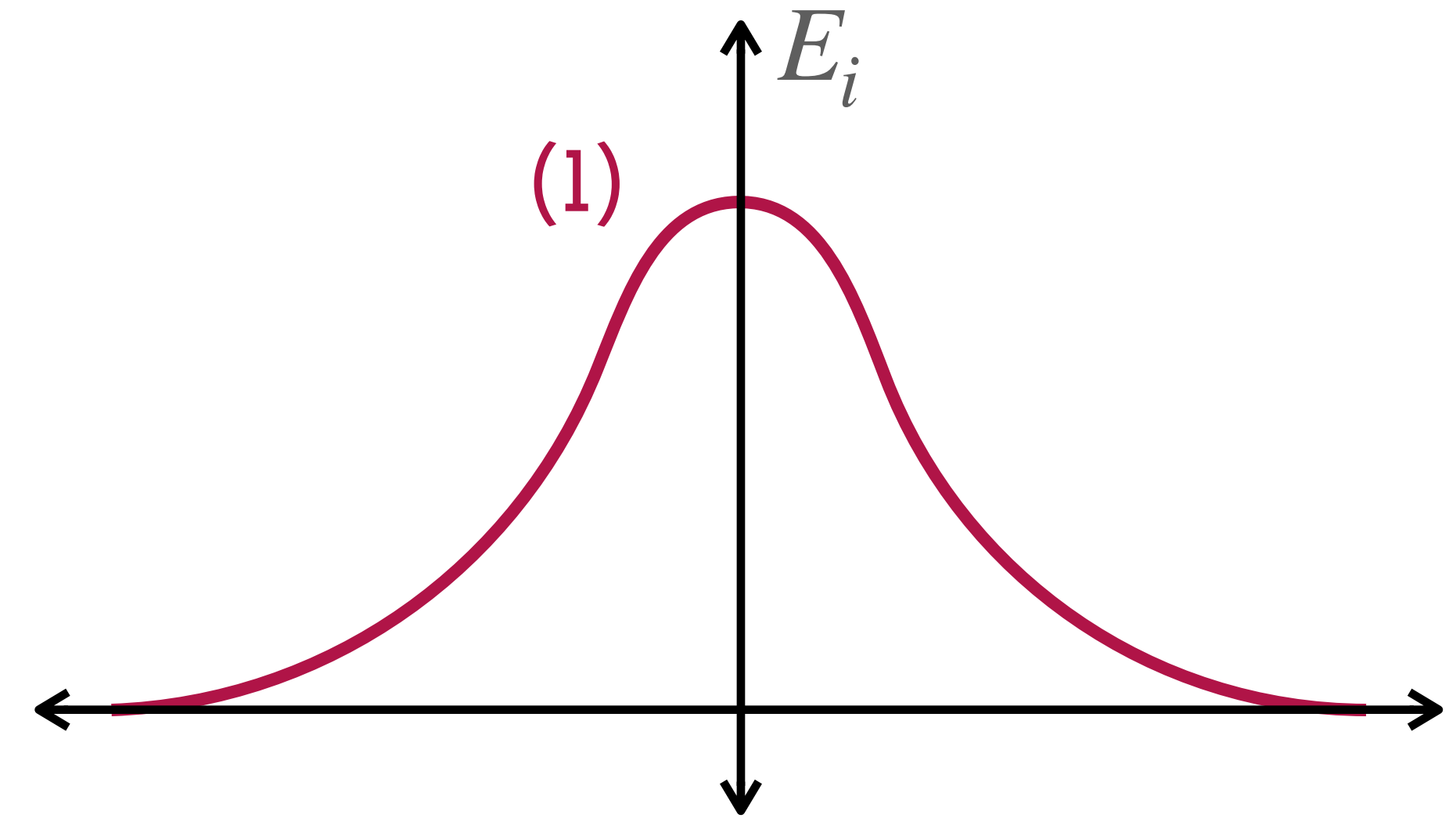
$$\text{where } D(x, b, r) = \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr}_c \left\langle 1 - V \left(r + \frac{b}{2} \right) V^\dagger \left(r - \frac{b}{2} \right) \right\rangle_x$$



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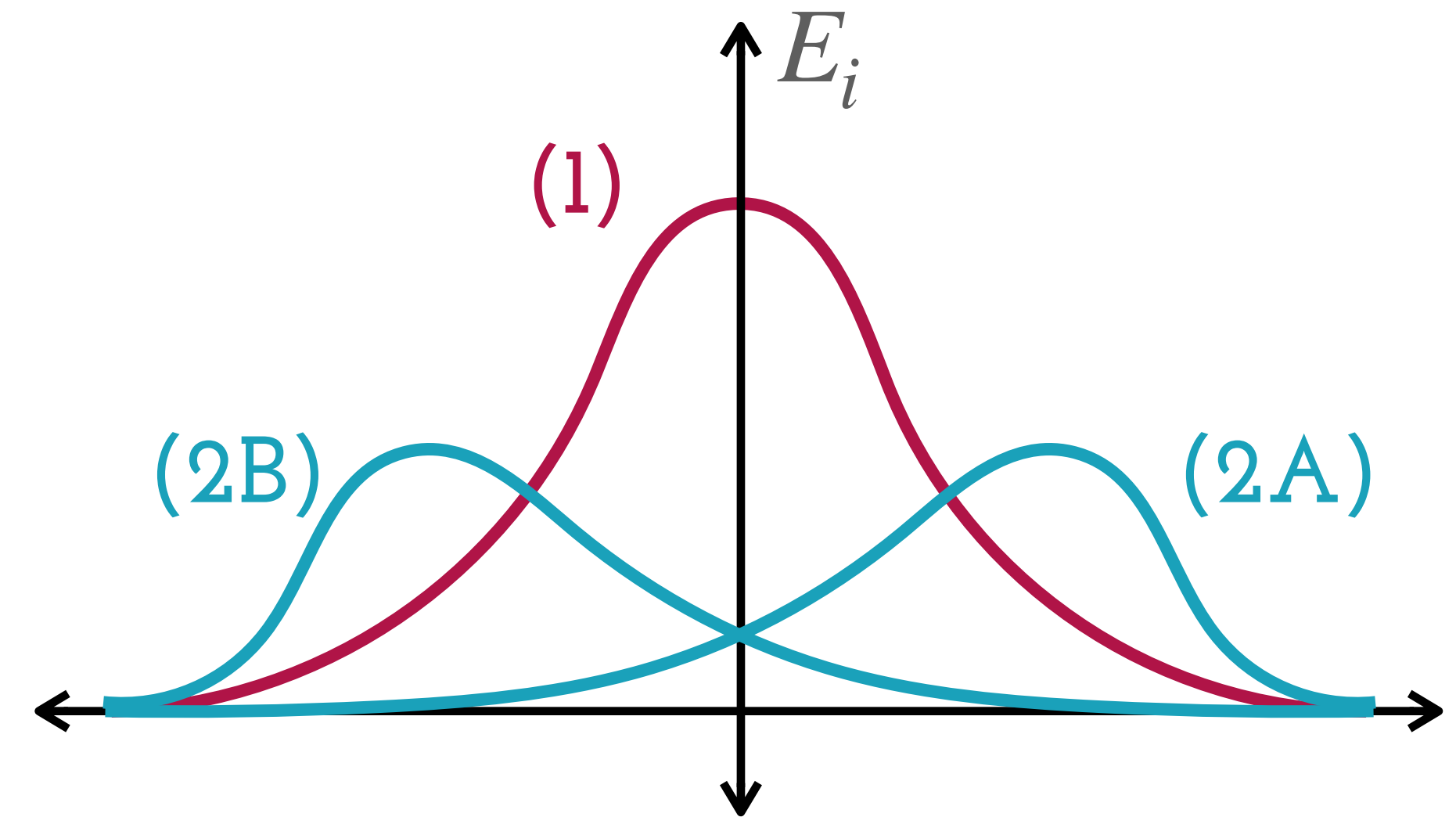
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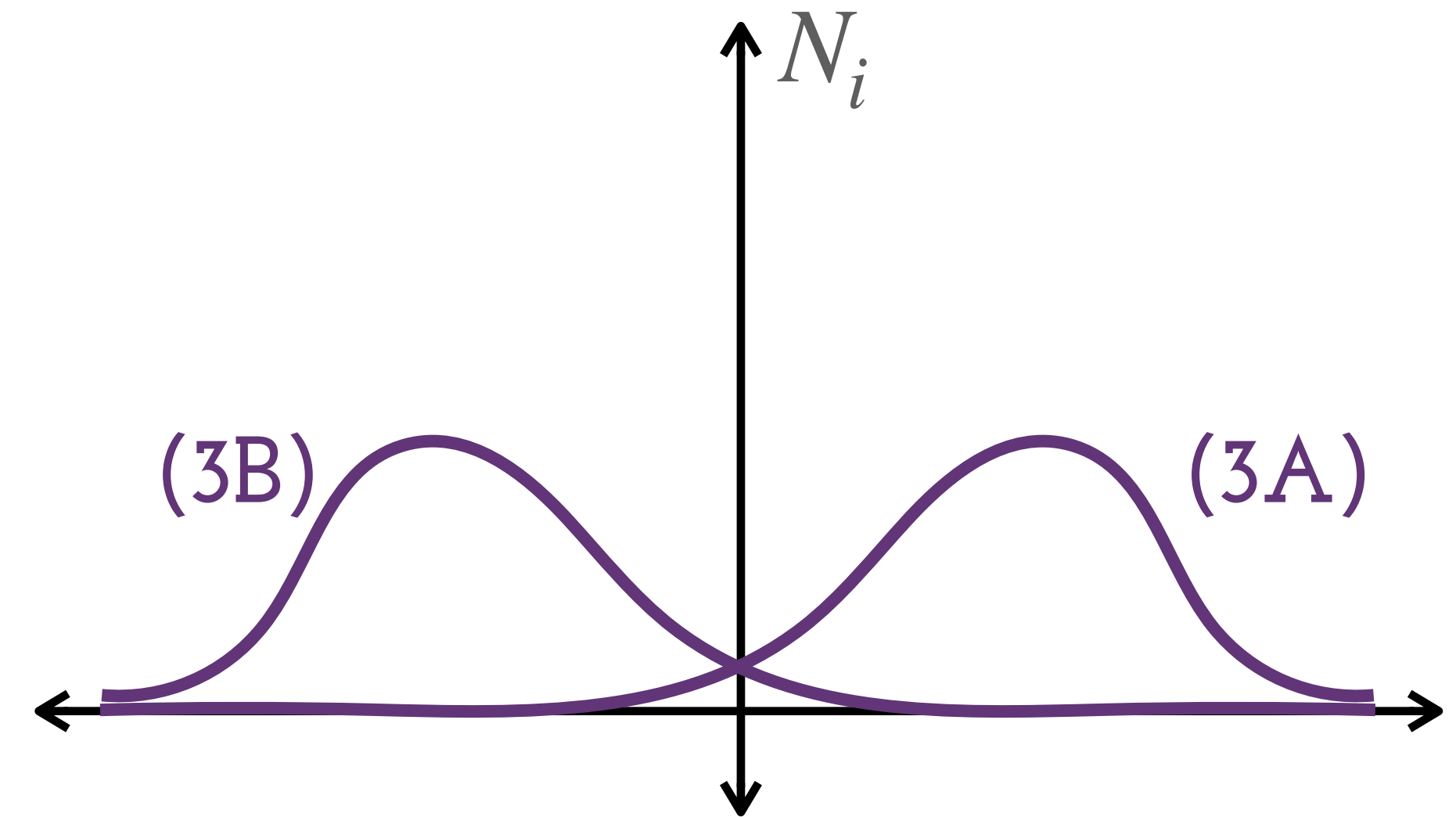
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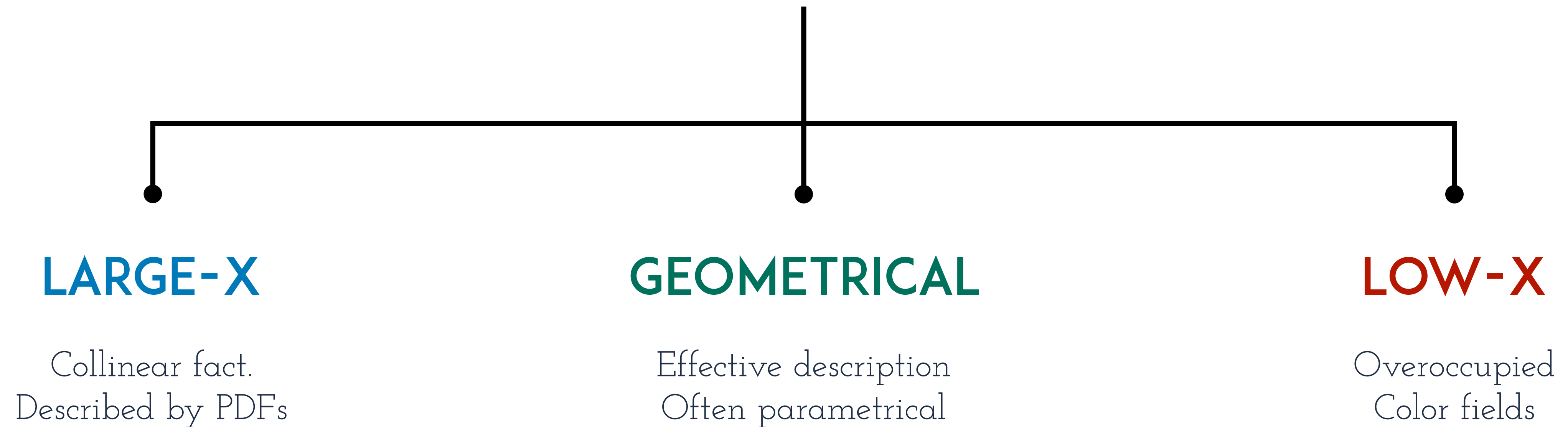
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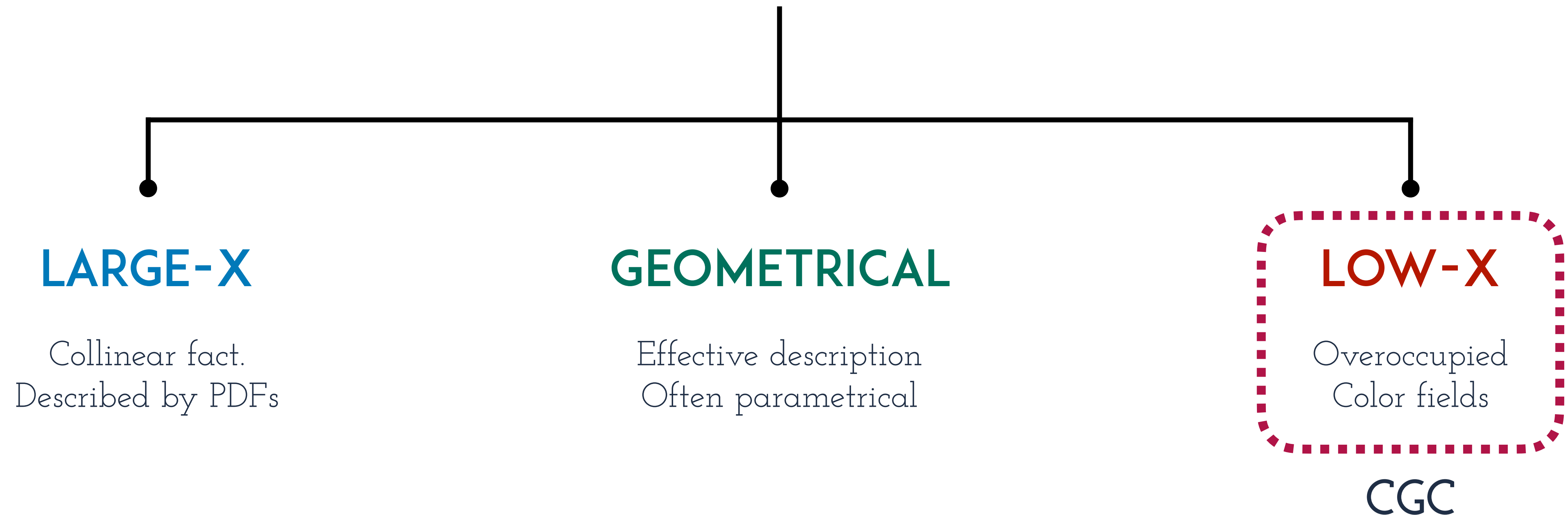
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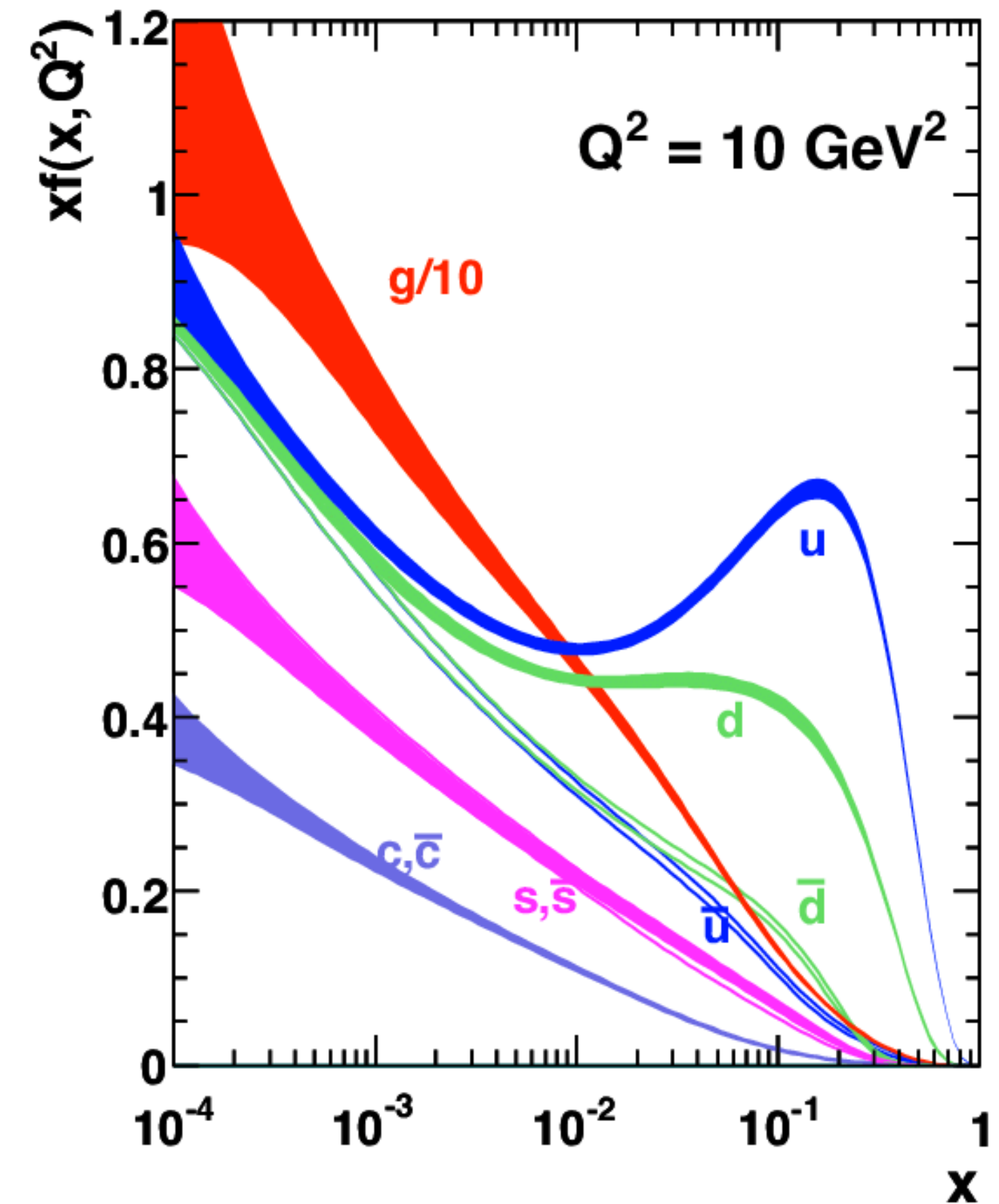
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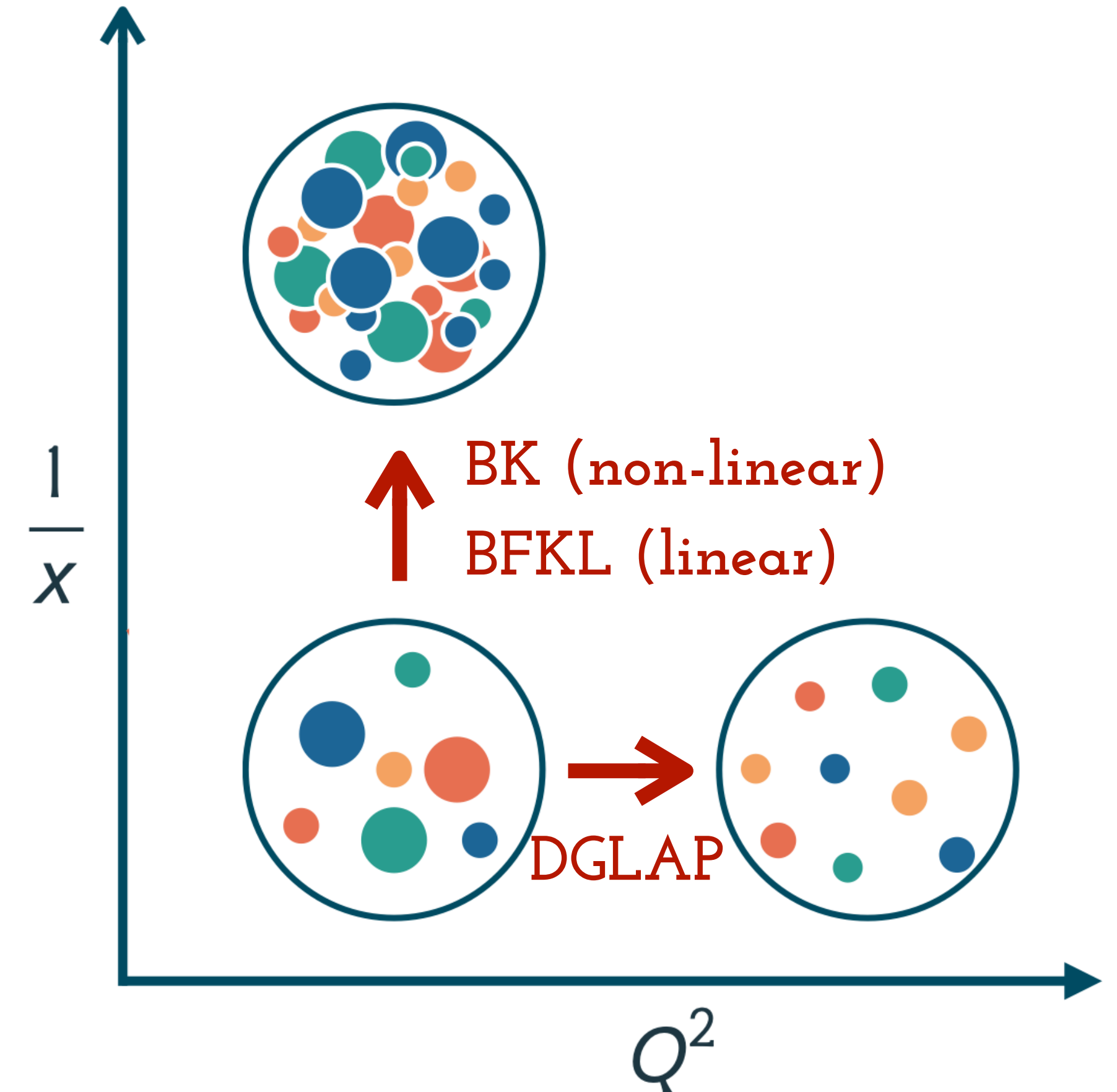
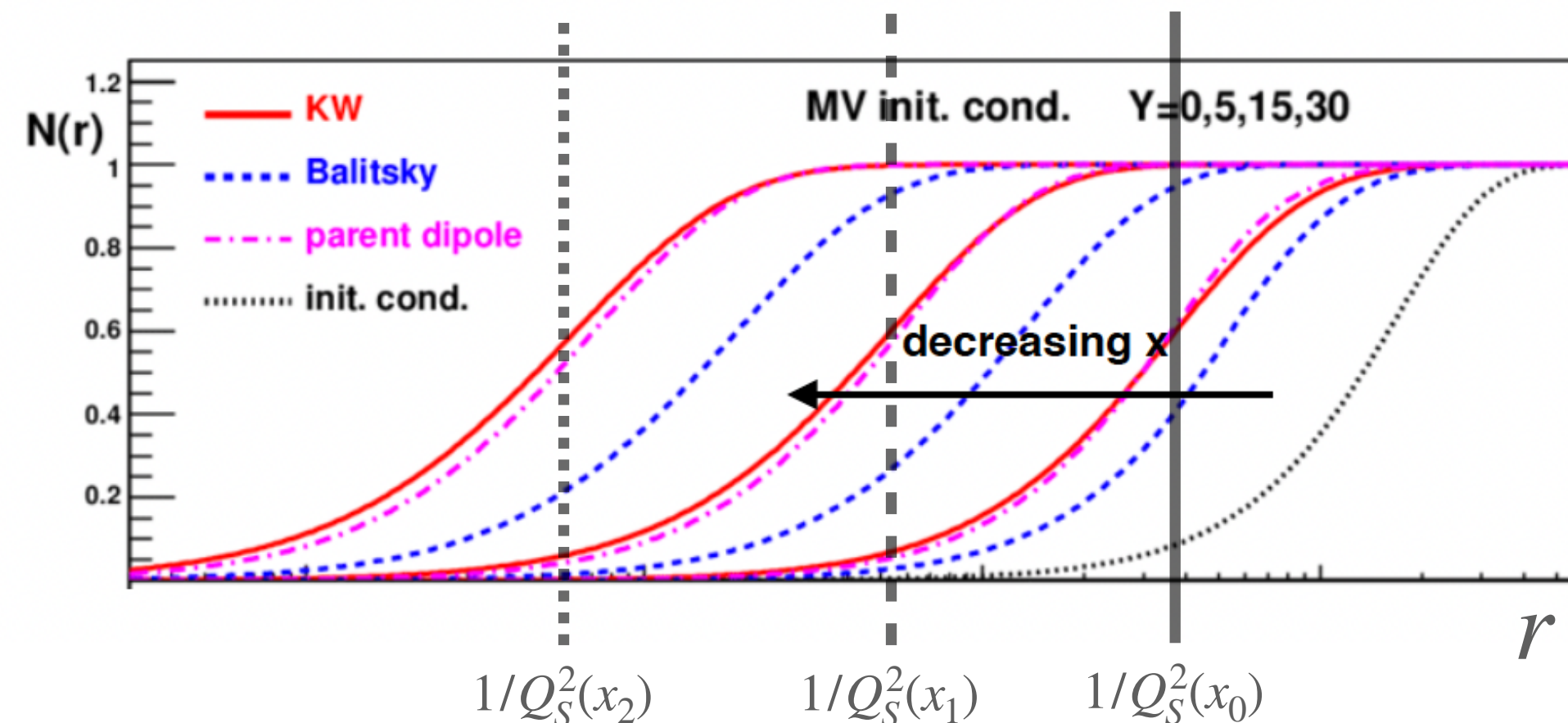
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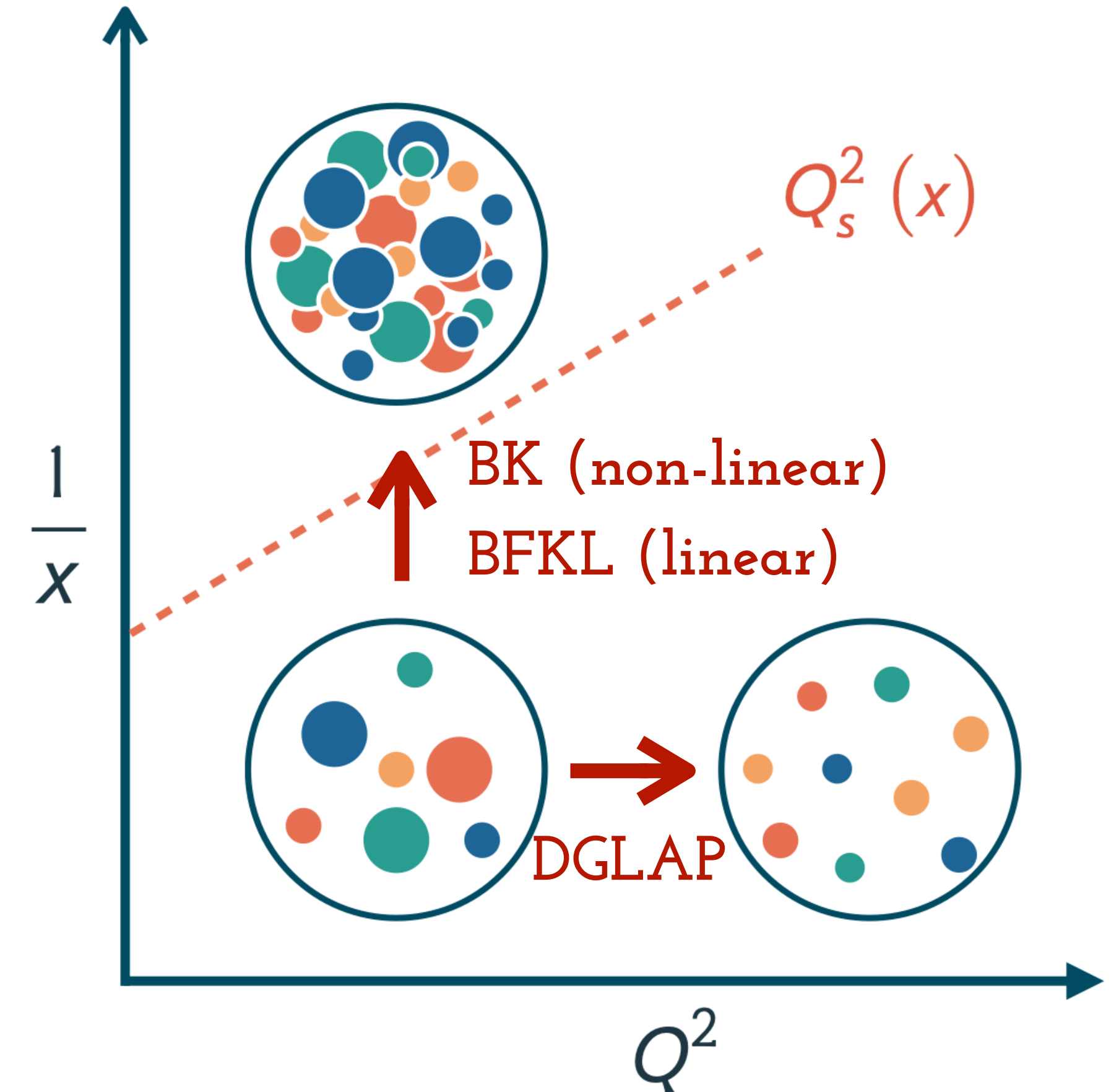
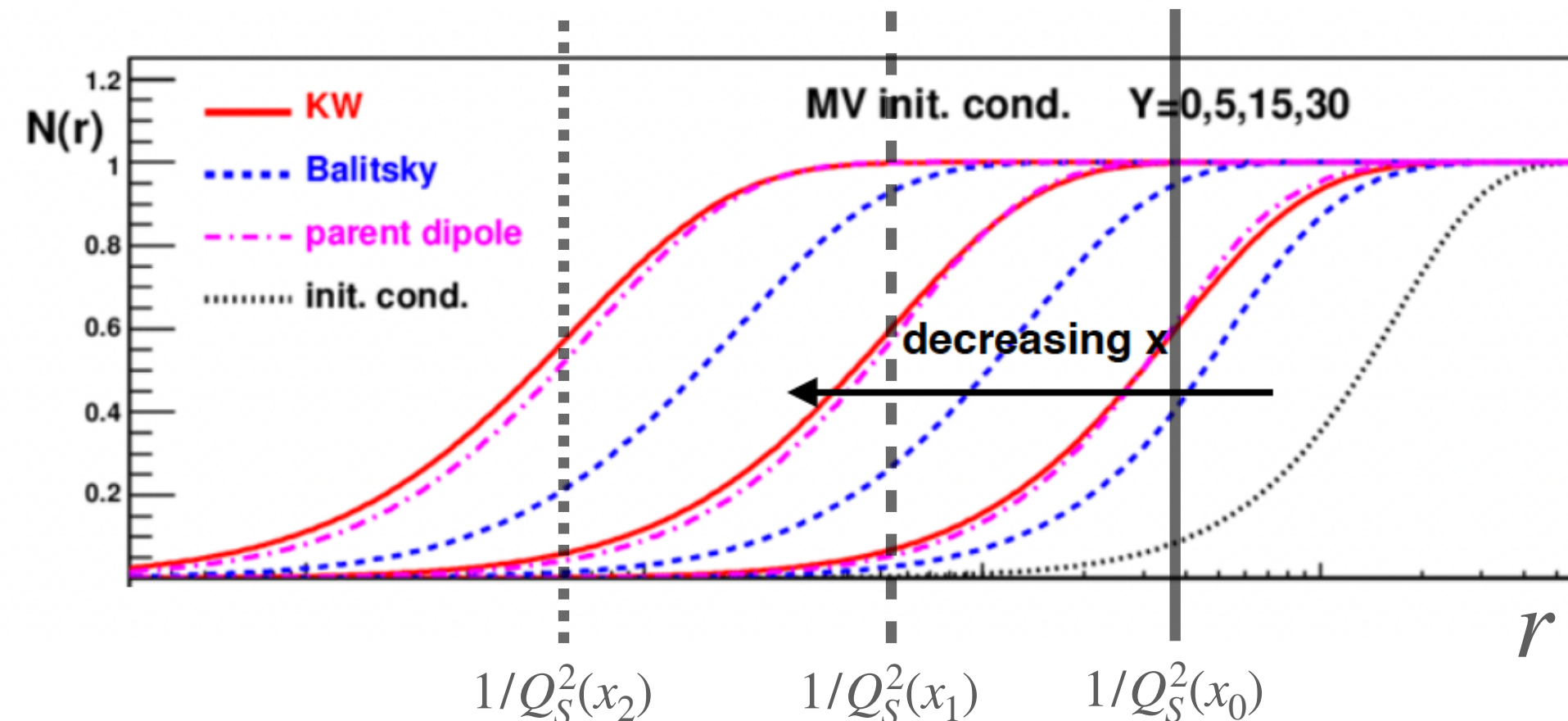
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