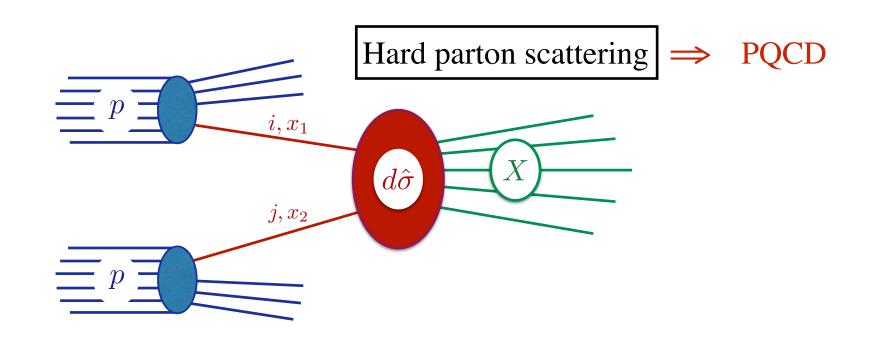
## Perturbative aspects of soft QCD dynamics

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Soft parton distributions

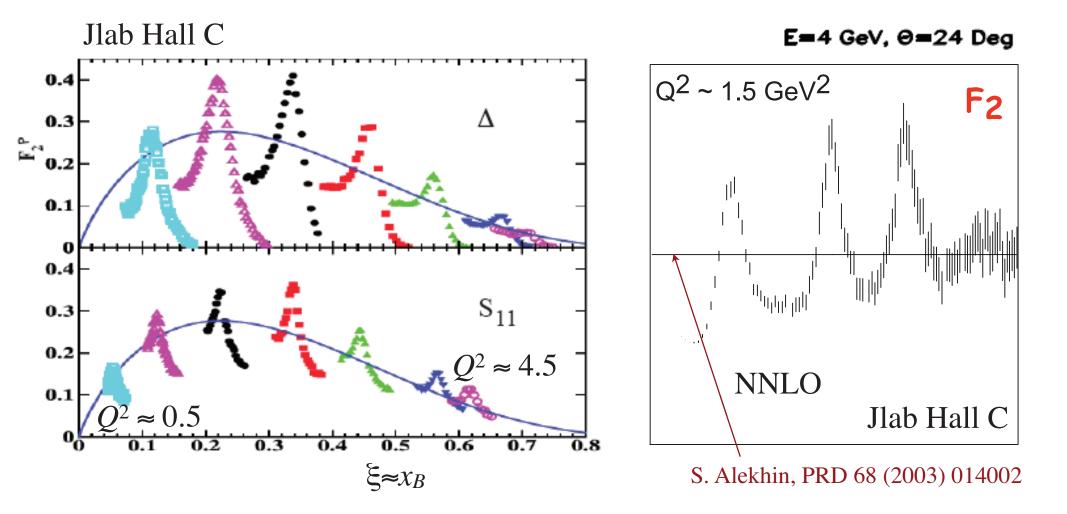
⇒ Universality, Lattice QCD

⇒ PQCD (bound state)

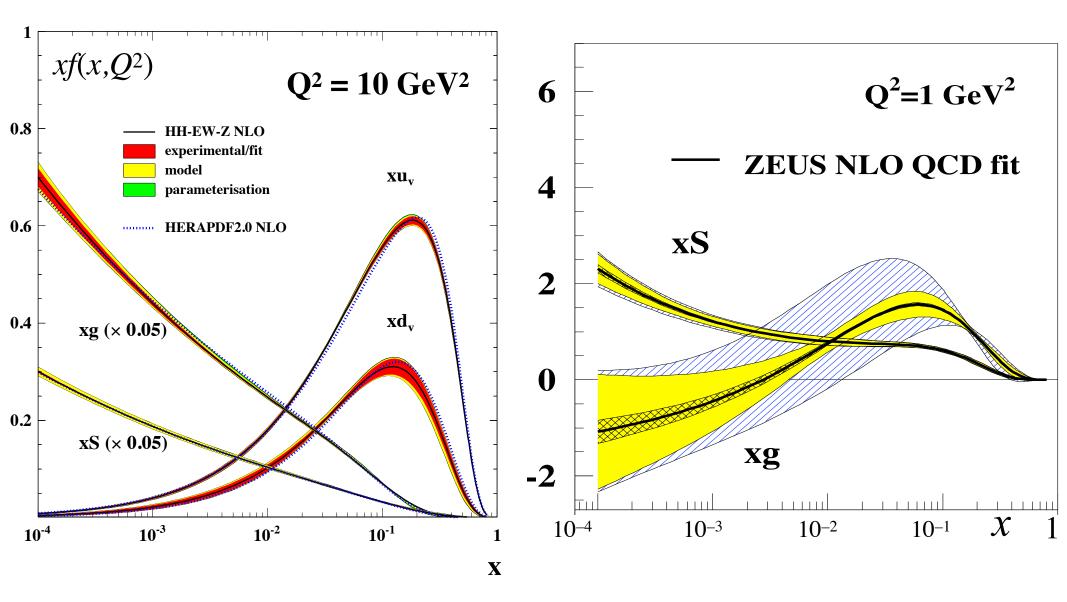
#### Resonances build the pdf's

Duality is a general and surprising feature of hadron dynamics.

Bloom-Gilman duality (1970): Resonances build the pdf's



## Gluons evolve away with decreasing Q2



Resonances are not gluon dominated.

But the sea quarks remain at low x.

#### The meaning of "non-perturbative"

Perturbative expansion diverges

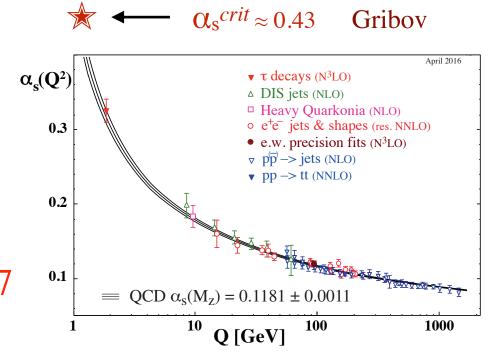
Feynman diagrams lack essential features

Common view for soft QCD:  $\alpha_s \gg 1 \implies$  Use lattice QCD (or models)

Alternative possibility: Coupling freezes, remains perturbative  $\alpha_s(0)/\pi \approx 0.14$ 

Divergence of perturbative expansion is due to low momentum transfers

This is the case for classical fields in QED and for QED bound states  $\alpha(0) \approx 1/137$ 



Theory + Phenomenology of 1/Q effects in event shape observables, both in e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> annihilation and DIS systematically pointed at the *average value* of the *infrared coupling* 

$$lpha_{f 0} \equiv rac{1}{2~{
m GeV}} \int_0^2 {
m GeV} dk ~lpha_s(k^2) ~\sim ~0.5$$

$$\alpha_s = 0.1153\pm0.0017(exp)\pm0.0023(th)$$
 $\alpha_0 = 0.5132\pm0.0115(exp)\pm0.0381(th)$ 
T.Ghermann, M.Jaquier, G.Luisoni

The main features of this result are as follows: the average IR coupling is

Universal

holds to within  $\pm 15\%$ 

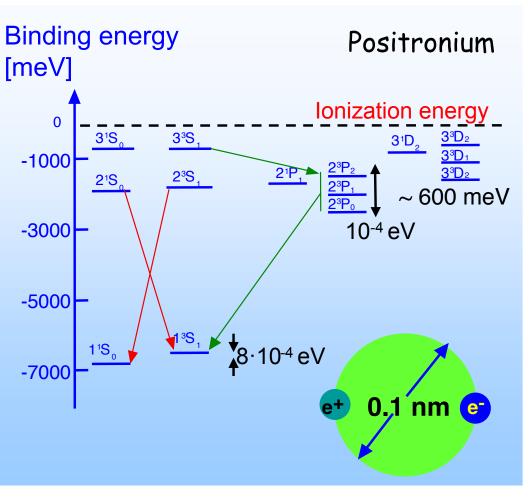
If not for the universality,

the whole game would made no sense: it would have meant just trading **one unknown** - non-perturbative "smearing" effects in a given observable (like in MC event generators) - for **another unknown** function - the shape of the coupling in the infrared...

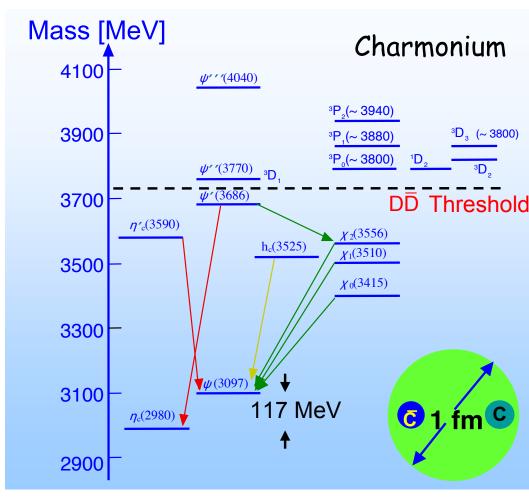
Reasonably small

- (which opens intriguing possibilities . . . )
- ullet Comfortably above the Gribov's critical value  $(\pi \cdot 0.137 \simeq 0.4)$

## Similarity of quarkonia and atoms



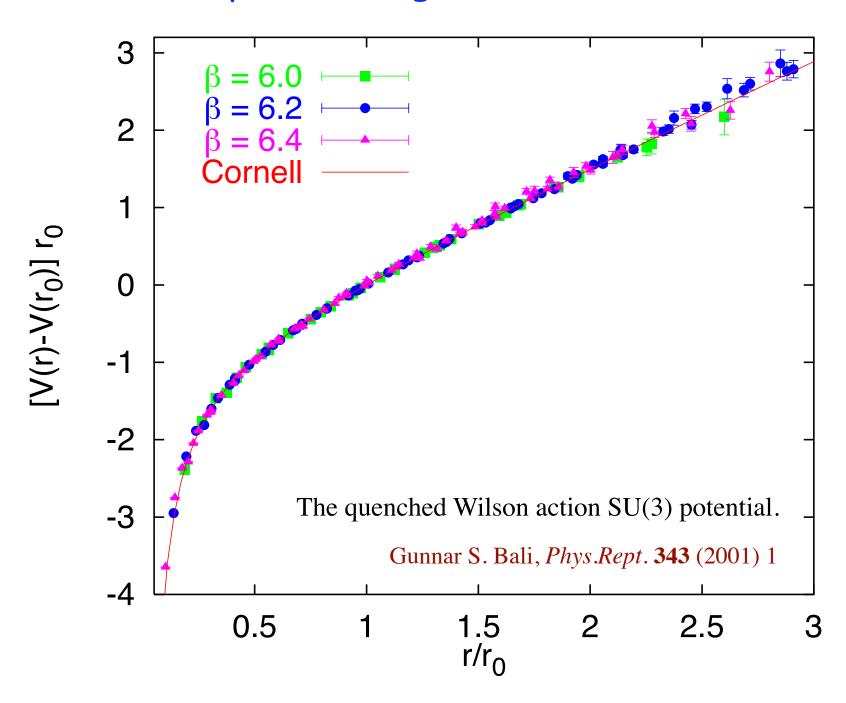
$$V(r) = -rac{lpha}{r}$$



$$V(r) = c \, r - \frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r}$$

"The  $J/\psi$  is the Hydrogen atom of QCD"

#### Cornell potential agrees with Lattice QCD



#### Perturbative expansions for atoms

PT for atoms start with an initial approximation, e.g., the Schrödinger eq.

Atomic wave functions are of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^{\infty})$ :  $\Psi(\boldsymbol{x}) \sim \exp(-\alpha mr/2)$ 

The wave function is not an observable (gauge dependent).

Binding energies are physical and they can be expanded in  $\alpha$  and  $\log \alpha$ .

Example: Hyperfine splitting in Positronium

G. S. Adkins, Hyperfine Interact. **233** (2015) 59

$$\Delta\nu_{QED} = m_e \alpha^4 \left\{ \frac{7}{12} - \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left( \frac{8}{9} + \frac{\ln 2}{2} \right) + \frac{\alpha^2}{\pi^2} \left[ -\frac{5}{24} \pi^2 \ln \alpha + \frac{1367}{648} - \frac{5197}{3456} \pi^2 + \left( \frac{221}{144} \pi^2 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \ln 2 - \frac{53}{32} \zeta(3) \right] - \frac{7\alpha^3}{8\pi} \ln^2 \alpha + \frac{\alpha^3}{\pi} \ln \alpha \left( \frac{17}{3} \ln 2 - \frac{217}{90} \right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\alpha^3\right) \right\} = 203.39169(41) \text{ GHz}$$

 $\Delta \nu_{\text{EXP}} = 203.394 \pm .002 \text{ GHz}$ 

#### Principles of bound state perturbation theory?

QED calculations start by postulating an initial wave function and potential.

An application to QCD requires a derivation of the Schrödinger eq. from  $L_{QED}$ .

Summing ladder diagrams is not the answer: E.g., for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ 

The divergence of the ladder sum gives rise to Positronium poles.

But: The free in and out states of PQED lack overlap with Positronia.

Free quark states at  $t = \pm \infty$  are incompatible with confinement in QCD.

Beware of using Feynman diagrams, based on free propagation, for bound states!

## Bound state constituents propagate in a field

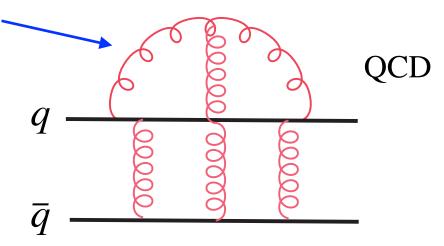
For QED lamb shift, need to calculate  $e^-$  propagator in the field of  $e^+$ 

In an NR approximation, this can be described by a fixed  $-\alpha/r$  potential.

In QCD, relativistic gluons interact with colored quarks

Gluon and quark propagators depend on the state in which they propagate.  $e^{-}$   $e^{+}$ QEI

Lamb shift



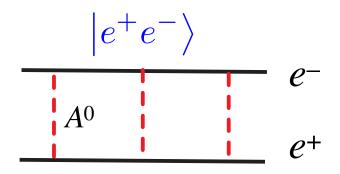
Cannot build bound states with constituents that have predetermined propagators.

 $\Rightarrow$ 

In gauge theories each Fock state defines an instantaneous field. Bound states are eigenstates of *H*.

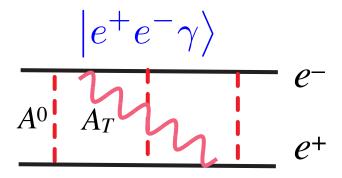
#### Fock state expansion for Positronium (at rest)

The  $|e^+e^-\rangle$  Fock state determines the binding energy at lowest order,  $\mathfrak{S}(\alpha^2)$ . Binding is due to instantaneous  $A^0$  photons.  $A^0$  exchange is not suppressed by  $\alpha$ .



Spin dependence arises at  $\mathfrak{S}(\alpha^4)$  from states with a transverse photon,  $|e^+e^-\gamma\rangle$ .

A<sub>T</sub> exchange is suppressed by powers of  $\alpha$ .



The Lamb shift also arises from  $|e^+e^-\gamma\rangle$ .

The Fock expansion perturbatively generates the binding energy.

 $A^{0}$   $A^{0}$   $e^{+}e^{-}\gamma\rangle$ 

How can this be implemented in a Hamiltonian approach?

#### Canonical quantisation in temporal gauge: $A^0 = 0$

Avoids problem due to the missing conjugate field for  $A^0$ . No ghosts.

$$E^{i} = F^{i0} = -\partial_{0}A^{i}$$
 conjugate to  $-A^{i}$   $(i = 1,2,3)$ 

$$\left[E^{i}(t, \boldsymbol{x}), A^{j}(t, \boldsymbol{y})\right] = i\delta^{ij}\delta(\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{y}) \qquad \left\{\psi_{\alpha}^{\dagger}(t, \boldsymbol{x}), \psi_{\beta}(t, \boldsymbol{y})\right\} = \delta_{\alpha\beta}\,\delta(\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{y})$$

$$H = \int d\boldsymbol{x} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{E}_L^2 + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{E}_T^2 + \frac{1}{4} F^{ij} F^{ij} + \psi^{\dagger} (-i\alpha^i \partial_i - e\alpha^i A^i + m\gamma^0) \psi \right]$$

Gauss' operator does not vanish: 
$$G(x) \equiv \frac{\delta S}{\delta A^0(x)} = \partial_i E_L^i(x) - e\psi^\dagger \psi(x)$$

G(x) generates time-independent gauge transformations, consistent with  $A^0 = 0$ 

Fix the gauge by constraining physical states:  $G(x) |phys\rangle = 0$ 

This determines  $E_L(x)$  for each state, imposing Gauss' law.

J. D. Bjorken, SLAC Summer Institute (1979) G. Leibbrandt, Rev. Mod. Phys. 59, 1067 (1987)

#### Schrödinger equation for Positronium

$$G(x) |phys\rangle = 0 \implies$$

$$\partial_i E_L^i(t, \boldsymbol{x}) | phys \rangle = e \psi^{\dagger} \psi(t, \boldsymbol{x}) | phys \rangle$$

$$E_L^i(t, \boldsymbol{x}) | phys \rangle = -\partial_i^x \int d\boldsymbol{y} \frac{e}{4\pi |\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{y}|} \psi^{\dagger} \psi(t, \boldsymbol{y}) | phys \rangle$$

For the component of Positronium with an electron at  $x_1$  and a positron at  $x_2$ :

$$|e^{-}(\boldsymbol{x}_1)e^{+}(\boldsymbol{x}_2)\rangle = \bar{\psi}_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{x}_1)\psi_{\beta}(\boldsymbol{x}_2)|0\rangle$$

$$E_L^i \left| e^-(\boldsymbol{x}_1) e^+(\boldsymbol{x}_2) \right\rangle = -\partial_i^x \frac{e}{4\pi} \left( \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_1|} - \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_2|} \right) \left| e^-(\boldsymbol{x}_1) e^+(\boldsymbol{x}_2) \right\rangle$$

The instantaneous Hamiltonian  $H_V \equiv \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{x} E_L^i E_L^i(\mathbf{x})$  gives the classical potential:

$$H_V \left| e^-(\boldsymbol{x}_1) e^+(\boldsymbol{x}_2) \right\rangle = -\frac{\alpha}{|\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_2|} \left| e^-(\boldsymbol{x}_1) e^+(\boldsymbol{x}_2) \right\rangle$$

The Schrödinger equation follows from  $H|e^+e^-\rangle=(2m+E_b)|e^+e^-\rangle$ 

Removing the "art" from bound state calculations!

## A Fock state expansion for QCD

The Fock expansion is compatible with the quark model of hadrons:

- Valence quantum numbers of mesons and baryons (lowest Fock state)
- Physical (transverse) gluon constituents contribute at  $O(\alpha_s)$
- The  $E_L$  field is instantaneous also for relativistic constituents

#### How can color confinement arise?

Gauss' law has no  $\Lambda_{QCD}$  scale

#### A crucial difference between QED and QCD

Global gauge invariance allows a classical gauge field for neutral atoms, but not a color octet gluon field for color singlet hadrons.

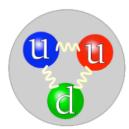
Positronium (QED)



$$E_L^i(\boldsymbol{x}) = -\partial_i^x \left( \frac{\alpha}{\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_1} - \frac{\alpha}{\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_2} \right)$$

Proton (QCD)

$$E_{L,a}^i(\boldsymbol{x}) = 0$$



#### However:

The classical gluon field is non-vanishing for each color component *C* of the state

 $\Rightarrow$  Each color component C may generate a constant field energy density

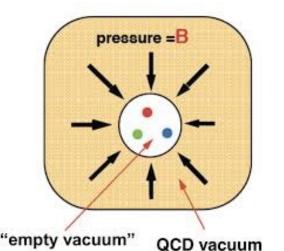
Cf. bag model without a fixed boundary term:

Here: Constituents move in the QCD field, which gives a confining potential.

The field is invisible to external observers.

$$E_{L,a}^i(\boldsymbol{x},C) \neq 0$$

$$\sum_{C} E_{L,a}^{i}(\boldsymbol{x},C) = 0$$



#### Temporal gauge in QCD: $A_a^0 = 0$

Gauss' operator 
$$G_a(x) \equiv \frac{\delta S}{\delta A_a^0(x)} = \partial_i E_a^i(x) + g f_{abc} A_b^i E_c^i - g \psi^{\dagger} T^a \psi(x)$$

generates time-independent gauge transformations, which keep  $A_a^0 = 0$ 

The gauge is fully defined (in PT) by the constraint  $G_a(x)|phys\rangle = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow \partial_i E_{L,a}^i(\boldsymbol{x}) | phys \rangle = g \left[ -f_{abc} A_b^i E_c^i + \psi^{\dagger} T^a \psi(\boldsymbol{x}) \right] | phys \rangle$$

In QED one solves for  $E_L$  requiring  $E_L(x) \to 0$  for  $|x| \to \infty$ 

In QCD, for (globally) color singlet bound states: 
$$\sum_{C} E_{L,a}^{i}(\boldsymbol{x},C) = 0$$

For each color component C we may consider homogeneous solutions of Gauss' law for  $E_L$ .

Translation invariance requires a constant field energy density ( $\Lambda_{QCD}$ ).

Poincaré invariance constrains the solution up to the single parameter  $\Lambda_{QCD}$ .

# Including a homogeneous solution for $\,E_{L,a}^{i}\,$

$$E_{L,a}^{i}(\boldsymbol{x})|phys\rangle = -\partial_{i}^{x}\int d\boldsymbol{y}\Big[\kappa\,\boldsymbol{x}\cdot\boldsymbol{y} + \frac{g}{4\pi|\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{y}|}\Big]\mathcal{E}_{a}(\boldsymbol{y})|phys\rangle$$

where 
$$\mathcal{E}_a(\boldsymbol{y}) = -f_{abc}A_b^i E_c^i(\boldsymbol{y}) + \psi^{\dagger} T^a \psi(\boldsymbol{y})$$

$$\kappa \neq \kappa(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$$
 ensures  $\partial_i \boldsymbol{E}^i(\boldsymbol{x}) = 0$  (a homogeneous solution)

The linear dependence on x makes  $E_L$  independent of x, as required by translation invariance: The field energy density is spatially constant (cf. bag).

The  $E_L$  contribution to the QCD Hamiltonian is

$$H_V = \int d\boldsymbol{y} d\boldsymbol{z} \left\{ \boldsymbol{y} \cdot \boldsymbol{z} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \kappa^2 \int d\boldsymbol{x} + g \kappa \right] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha_s}{|\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{z}|} \right\} \mathcal{E}_a(\boldsymbol{y}) \mathcal{E}_a(\boldsymbol{z})$$

The field energy  $\propto$  volume of space is irrelevant only if it is universal. This relates the normalisation  $\varkappa$  of all Fock components, leaving an overall scale  $\Lambda_{QCD}$  as the single parameter.

#### Examples: Fock state potentials (I)

$$\mathbf{q}\bar{\mathbf{q}}$$
:  $H_V |q(\mathbf{x}_1)\bar{q}(\mathbf{x}_2)\rangle = V_{q\bar{q}} |q(\mathbf{x}_1)\bar{q}(\mathbf{x}_2)\rangle$ 

$$V_{q\bar{q}} = \Lambda^2 |\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_2| - C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{|\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_2|}$$
 "Cornell potential" also for relativistic quarks

$$qg\bar{q}: V_{qgq}^{(0)}(\boldsymbol{x}_1,\boldsymbol{x}_g,\boldsymbol{x}_2) = \frac{\Lambda^2}{\sqrt{C_F}} d_{qgq}(\boldsymbol{x}_1,\boldsymbol{x}_g,\boldsymbol{x}_2) \qquad (\Lambda \text{ as for } q\bar{q})$$

$$d_{qgq}(\boldsymbol{x}_1, \boldsymbol{x}_g, \boldsymbol{x}_2) \equiv \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}(N - 2/N)(\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_2)^2 + N(\boldsymbol{x}_g - \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{x}_2)^2}$$

$$V_{qgq}^{(1)}(\boldsymbol{x}_1, \boldsymbol{x}_g, \boldsymbol{x}_2) = \frac{1}{2} \alpha_s \left[ \frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_2|} - N \left( \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_g|} + \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{x}_g|} \right) \right]$$

When q and g coincide:  $V_{qgq}^{(0)}({m x}_1={m x}_g,{m x}_2)=\Lambda^2|{m x}_1-{m x}_2|=V_{qar q}^{(0)}$   $V_{qqq}^{(1)}({m x}_1={m x}_g,{m x}_2)=V_{qar q}^{(1)}$ 

#### Fock state potentials (II)

qqq:

$$V_{qqq} = \Lambda^2 d_{qqq}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3) - \frac{2}{3} \alpha_s \left( \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2|} + \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_3|} + \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}_3 - \mathbf{x}_1|} \right)$$

$$d_{qqq}(\boldsymbol{x}_1, \boldsymbol{x}_2, \boldsymbol{x}_3) \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{(\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_2)^2 + (\boldsymbol{x}_2 - \boldsymbol{x}_3)^2 + (\boldsymbol{x}_3 - \boldsymbol{x}_1)^2}$$

$$\mathbf{g}\mathbf{g}: \quad V_{gg} = \sqrt{\frac{N}{C_F}} \Lambda^2 \left| \boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_2 \right| - N \frac{\alpha_s}{\left| \boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_2 \right|}$$

The gg potential agrees with that of  $qg\bar{q}$  when the quarks coincide:

$$V_{gg}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{x}_g) = V_{gg\bar{q}}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{x}_g, \boldsymbol{x})$$

It is straightforward to work out the instantaneous potential for any Fock state.

## "Perturbative expansion of non-perturbative states"

A new approach to soft QCD:

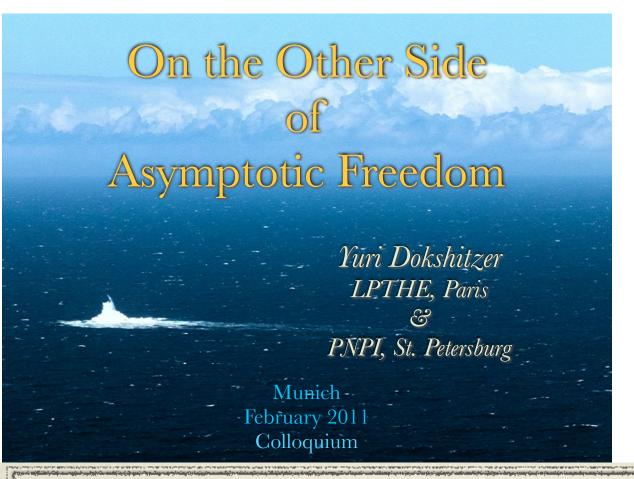
- The instantaneous  $\mathcal{O}\left(\alpha_s^0\right)$  field binds the lowest Fock states
- The higher Fock states given by the Hamiltonian  $H_{QCD}$  are of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$
- Makes bound state calculations less of an art

For the approach to be viable the  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^0)$  dynamics must have:

Poincaré symmetry
Unitarity
Confinement
Chiral Symmetry Breaking (CSB)
Reasonable mass spectrum

Not all of these have been demonstrated, but the outlook is promising.

#### A new appearance of PQCD



PQCD can be relevant also for soft interactions.

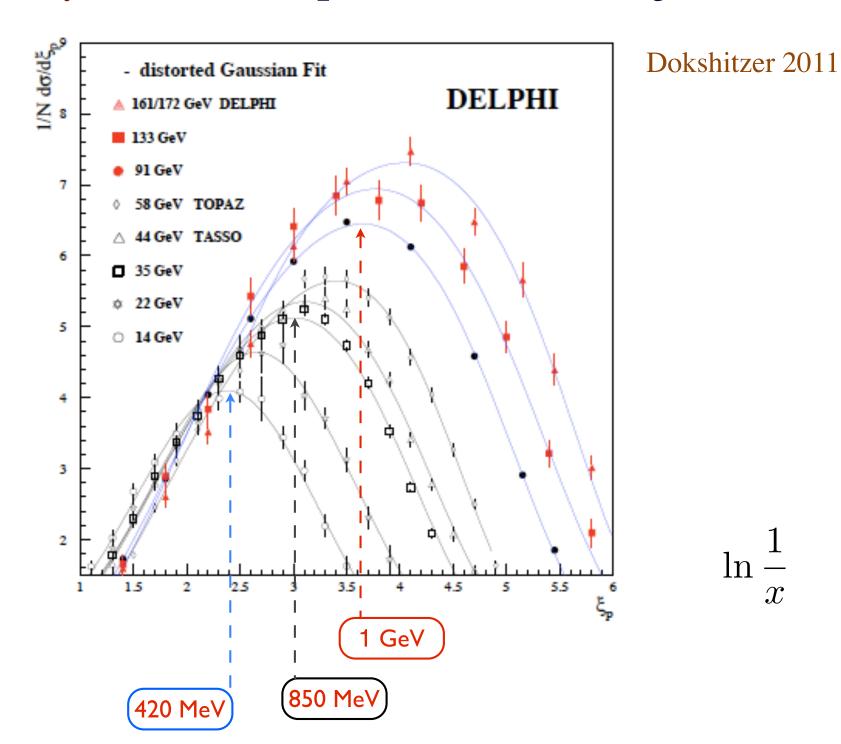
 $\alpha_{\rm s}/\pi \sim 0.14$ 

## QCD is about to undergo a faith transition

QCD practitioners prepare themselves - slowly but steadily - to start using, in earnest, the language of *quarks* and *gluons* down into the region of small characteristic momenta - "large distances"

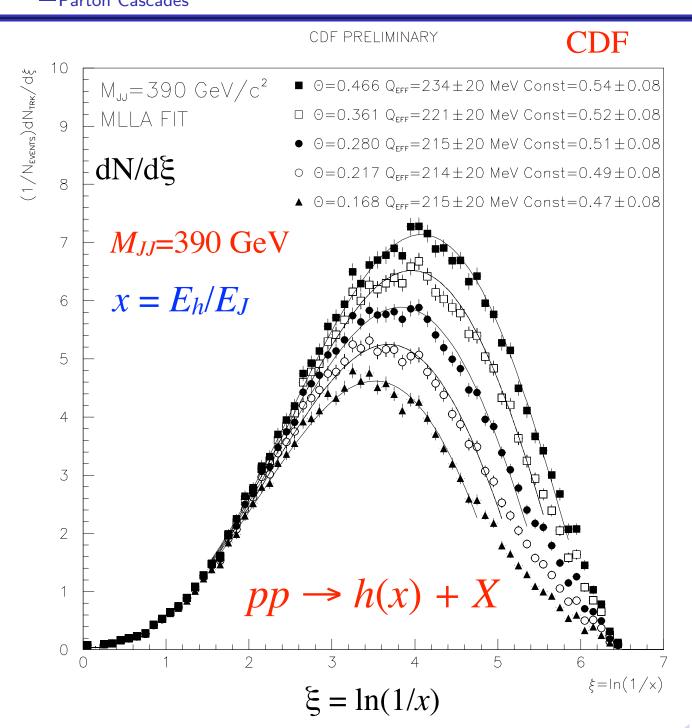
## Extra slides

#### Soft Physics: hadron production inside jets



#### Dokshitzer (Les Houches 2008)

#### Hump-backed plateau



First confronted with theory in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow h+X$ .

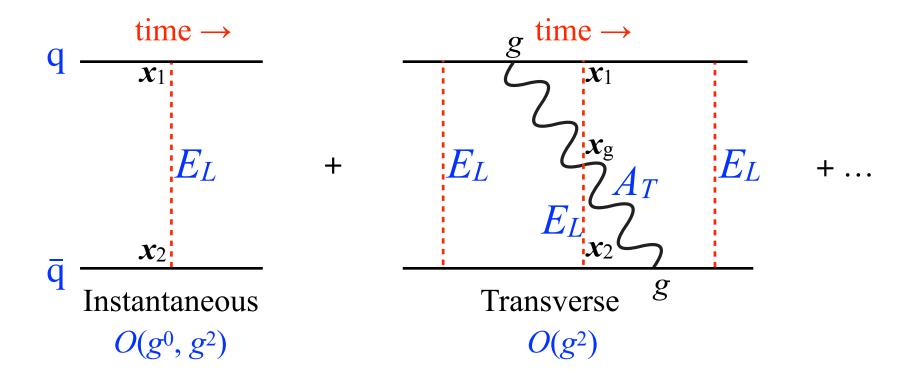
CDF (Tevatron)

 $pp \rightarrow 2$  jets

Charged hadron yield as a function of ln(1/x) for different values of jet hardness, versus (MLLA) QCD prediction.

One free parameter – overall normalization (the number of final  $\pi$ 's per extra gluon)

#### Perturbative expansion = Fock state expansion



The instantaneous Hamiltonian  $H_V$  determines the potential energy. The  $q\bar{q}A_T$  etc. terms in H determine couplings between Fock states. The q and  $A_T$  kinetic terms determine the time evolution.

## $\mathcal{O}\left(\alpha_s^0\right)$ q $\overline{\mathbf{q}}$ bound states

The  $\mathcal{O}\left(\alpha_s^0\right)$  meson is a superposition of  $q\bar{q}$  Fock states with wave function  $\Phi$ ,

$$|M\rangle = \sum_{A,B;\alpha,\beta} \int d\boldsymbol{x}_1 d\boldsymbol{x}_2 \, \bar{\psi}_{\alpha}^A(t=0,\boldsymbol{x}_1) \delta^{AB} \Phi_{\alpha\beta}(\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_2) \psi_{\beta}^B(t=0,\boldsymbol{x}_2) |0\rangle$$

The bound state condition  $H|M\rangle = M|M\rangle$  gives

$$\left[i\gamma^{0}\boldsymbol{\gamma}\cdot\overrightarrow{\boldsymbol{\nabla}}+m\gamma^{0}\right]\Phi(\boldsymbol{x})+\Phi(\boldsymbol{x})\left[i\gamma^{0}\boldsymbol{\gamma}\cdot\overleftarrow{\boldsymbol{\nabla}}-m\gamma^{0}\right]=\left[M-V(|\boldsymbol{x}|)\right]\Phi(\boldsymbol{x})$$

where  $x = x_1 - x_2$  and  $V(|x|) = V'|x| = \Lambda^2|x|$ .

In the non-relativistic limit  $(m \gg \Lambda)$  this reduces to the Schrödinger equation, and we may add the instantaneous gluon exchange potential.

→ The successful quarkonium phenomenology with the Cornell potential.

#### Relativistic $q\overline{q}$ bound states

$$i\nabla \cdot \{\gamma^0 \gamma, \Phi(x)\} + m \left[\gamma^0, \Phi(x)\right] = \left[M - V(x)\right]\Phi(x)$$

Expanding the 4 × 4 wave function in a basis of 16 Dirac structures  $\Gamma_i(\mathbf{x})$   $\Phi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i \Gamma_i(\mathbf{x}) F_i(r) Y_{j\lambda}(\hat{\mathbf{x}})$ 

we may use rotational, parity and charge conjugation invariance to determine which  $\Gamma_i(x)$  may occur for a state of given  $j^{PC}$ :

0<sup>-+</sup> trajectory 
$$[s = 0, \ \ell = j]$$
:  $-\eta_P = \eta_C = (-1)^j \ \gamma_5, \ \gamma^0 \gamma_5, \ \gamma_5 \alpha \cdot x, \ \gamma_5 \alpha \cdot x \times L$ 

0<sup>--</sup> trajectory  $[s = 1, \ \ell = j]$ :  $\eta_P = \eta_C = -(-1)^j \ \gamma^0 \gamma_5 \alpha \cdot x, \ \gamma^0 \gamma_5 \alpha \cdot x \times L, \ \alpha \cdot L, \ \gamma^0 \alpha \cdot L$ 

0<sup>++</sup> trajectory  $[s = 1, \ \ell = j \pm 1]$ :  $\eta_P = \eta_C = +(-1)^j \ 1, \ \alpha \cdot x, \ \gamma^0 \alpha \cdot x, \ \alpha \cdot x \times L, \ \gamma^0 \alpha \cdot x \times L, \ \gamma^0 \gamma_5 \alpha \cdot L$ 

0<sup>+-</sup> trajectory [exotic]:  $\eta_P = -\eta_C = (-1)^j \ \gamma^0, \ \gamma_5 \alpha \cdot L$ 

→ There are no solutions for quantum numbers that would be exotic in the quark model (despite the relativistic dynamics)

## Example: 0-+ trajectory wf's

$$\eta_P = (-1)^{j+1}$$

$$\Phi_{-+}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \left[\frac{2}{M-V}(i\boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \overset{\rightarrow}{\nabla} + m\gamma^0) + 1\right] \gamma_5 F_1(r) Y_{j\lambda}(\hat{\boldsymbol{x}}) \qquad \eta_C = (-1)^{j}$$

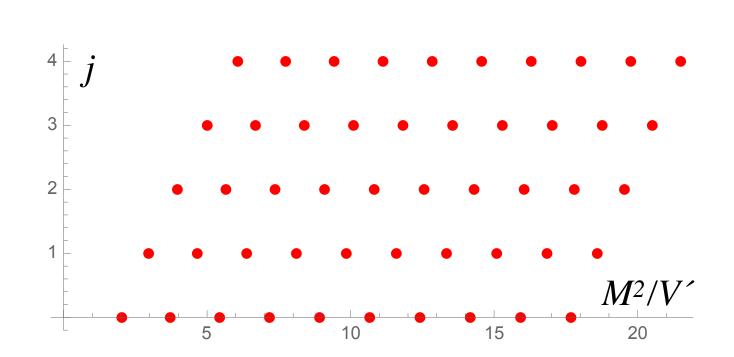
Radial equation: 
$$F_1'' + \left(\frac{2}{r} + \frac{V'}{M-V}\right)F_1' + \left[\frac{1}{4}(M-V)^2 - m^2 - \frac{j(j+1)}{r^2}\right]F_1 = 0$$

Local normalizability at r = 0 and at V(r) = M determines the discrete M

Mass spectrum:

Linear Regge trajectories with daughters

Spectrum similar to dual models



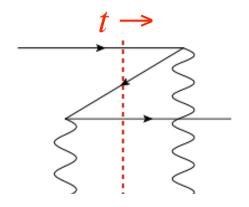
m = 0

#### Sea quark contributions

Quark states in a strong field have E<0 components

Bogoliubov transformation, cf. Dirac states.

In time-ordered PT, these correspond to Z-diagrams, and interpreted as contributions from  $q\bar{q}$  pairs.



This effect is manifest in the behavior of the wave function  $\Phi$  for large V = V'|x|:

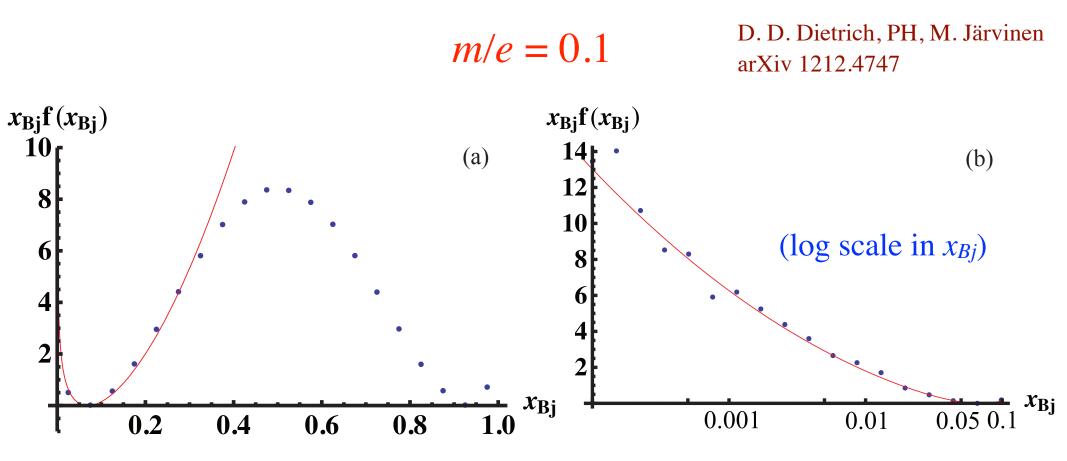
$$\lim_{\boldsymbol{x}\to\infty} |\Phi(\boldsymbol{x})|^2 = const.$$

The asymptotically constant norm reflects, via duality, pair production as the linear potential V(|x|) increases.

These sea quarks show up in the parton distribution measured in DIS.

#### Parton distributions have a sea component

In D=1+1 dimensions the sea component is prominent at low m/e:



The red curve is an analytic approximation, valid in the  $x_{Bj} \rightarrow 0$  limit.

Note: Enhancement at low x is due to bd (sea), not to  $b^{\dagger}d^{\dagger}$  (valence) component.

To be calculated in D=3+1 (and in various frames!)

 $\delta_1$ 

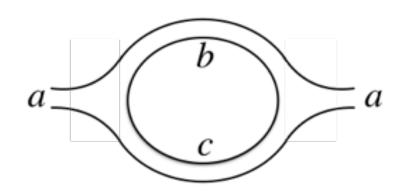
#### Decays and hadron loops

The bound state equation determines zero-width states.

There is an  $\mathcal{O}\left(1/\sqrt{N_C}\right)$  coupling between the states: string breaking

$$\langle B, C | A \rangle = \frac{(2\pi)^3}{\sqrt{N_C}} \delta^3(\boldsymbol{P}_A - \boldsymbol{P}_B - \boldsymbol{P}_C) \int d\boldsymbol{\delta}_1 d\boldsymbol{\delta}_2 \, e^{i\boldsymbol{\delta}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{P}_C/2 - i\boldsymbol{\delta}_2 \cdot \boldsymbol{P}_B/2} \text{Tr} \left[ \gamma^0 \Phi_B^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{\delta}_1) \Phi_A(\boldsymbol{\delta}_1 + \boldsymbol{\delta}_2) \Phi_C^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{\delta}_2) \right]$$

When squared, this gives a  $1/N_C$  hadron loop unitarity correction:



Unitarity should be satisfied at hadron level at each order of  $1/N_C$ .

#### Bound states in motion

An  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^0)$   $q\bar{q}$  bound state with CM momentum **P** may be expressed as

$$|M, \mathbf{P}\rangle = \int dx_1 dx_2 \, \bar{\psi}(t=0, x_1) \, e^{i\mathbf{P}\cdot(\mathbf{x}_1+\mathbf{x}_2)/2} \, \Phi^{(\mathbf{P})}(x_1-x_2) \, \psi(t=0, x_2) \, |0\rangle$$

The instantaneous potential is **P**-independent, V(x) = V'|x|, hence the BSE:

$$i\nabla \cdot \{\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \Phi^{(\boldsymbol{P})}(\boldsymbol{x})\} - \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{P} \cdot [\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \Phi^{(\boldsymbol{P})}(\boldsymbol{x})] + m[\gamma^0, \Phi^{(\boldsymbol{P})}(\boldsymbol{x})] = [E - V(\boldsymbol{x})]\Phi^{(\boldsymbol{P})}(\boldsymbol{x})$$

The solution for  $\Phi^{(P)}(x)$  is not simply Lorentz contracting in x.

States with general **P** are needed for:

- **P**-dependence of angular momentum ( $P \rightarrow \infty$  frame).
- EM form factors (gauge invariance has been verified)
- Parton distributions
- Hadron scattering
- . . .

#### The OZI rule

Connected diagrams: Unsuppressed, string breaking from confining potential

$$\phi(1020) \rightarrow K\bar{K}$$
 $\phi = \frac{s}{\bar{s}}$ 
 $u$ 
 $K$ 
 $\bar{g}$ 
 $\bar{g}$ 

Disconnected, perturbative diagrams are suppressed

$$\phi(1020) \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi \quad \phi \quad \underbrace{\int_{\overline{S}}^{S} \pi\pi}_{\overline{u}} 610 \text{ MeV } 15.3 \%$$

This suggests that perturbative corrections are small even in the soft regime.