



# *Deep Inelastic Scattering*

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# Why Deep Inelastic Scattering?

## “Collider Physics” and Deep Inelastic Scattering

- Colliders are today the most powerful instrument to study the innermost structure of matter
- Proton-proton colliders are the accelerators that can reach the highest energies
- Proton are very complex objects, with a complex internal structure
- The interpretation of scattering experiments need to be based on the understanding of the proton structure
- The scattering lepton-nucleon allows us to study the structure of the proton

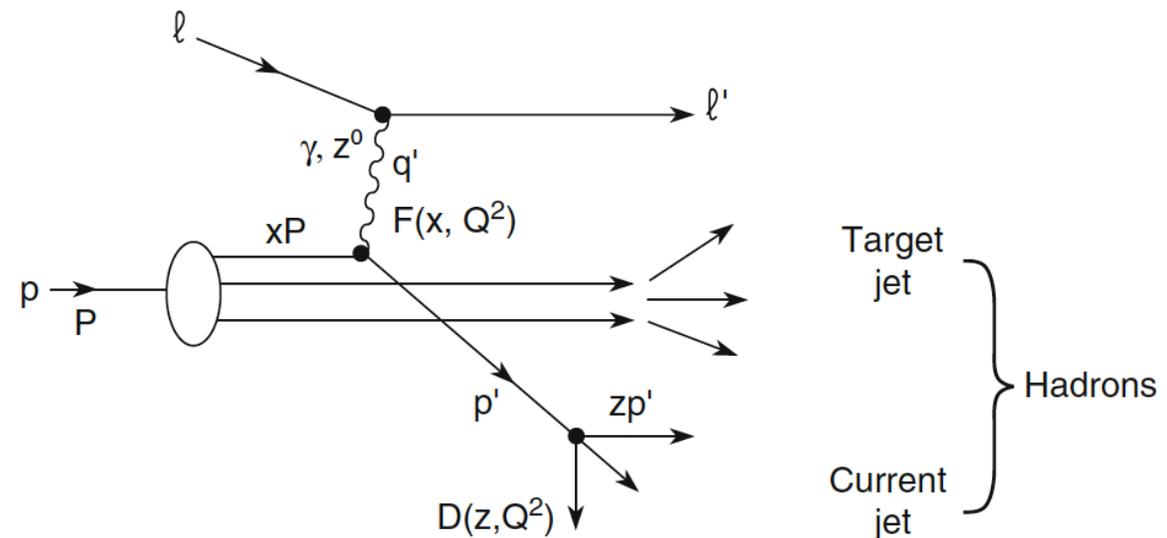
Deep Inelastic Scattering  
→ *DIS*

Many generation of scattering experiments.

- Initially they used leptons (mostly electrons) produced in accelerators and sent on a target
- The last generation was the HERA collider at Desy, Germany

30 GeV electrons against 900 GeV protons

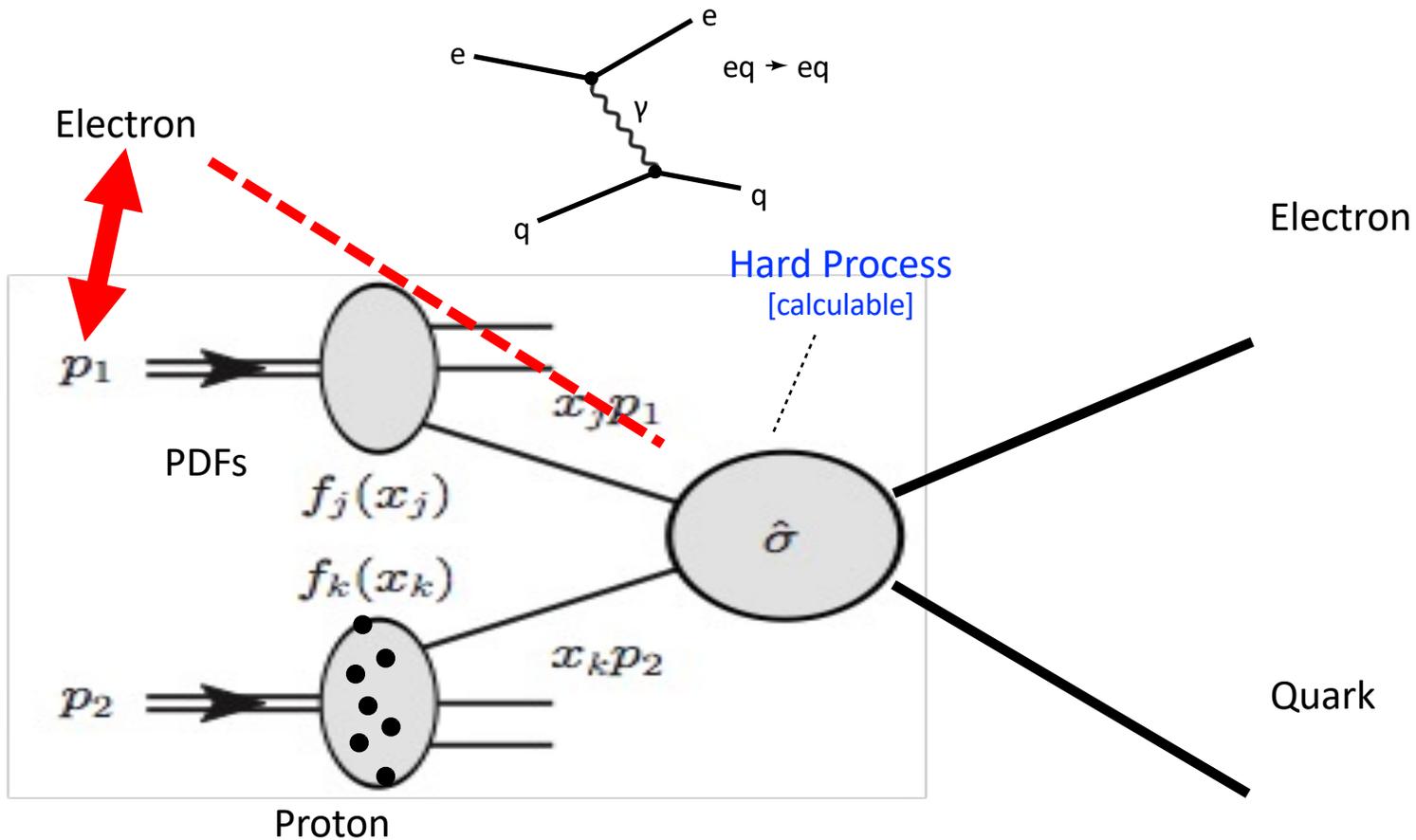
Basis of QCD, the theory of hadronic interactions





# Proton-Proton vs Electron-Proton Scattering

PDFs are needed to compute cross-section  
→ How to measure PDFs ? Unfolding 2 PDFs is ~difficult → replace p with e !





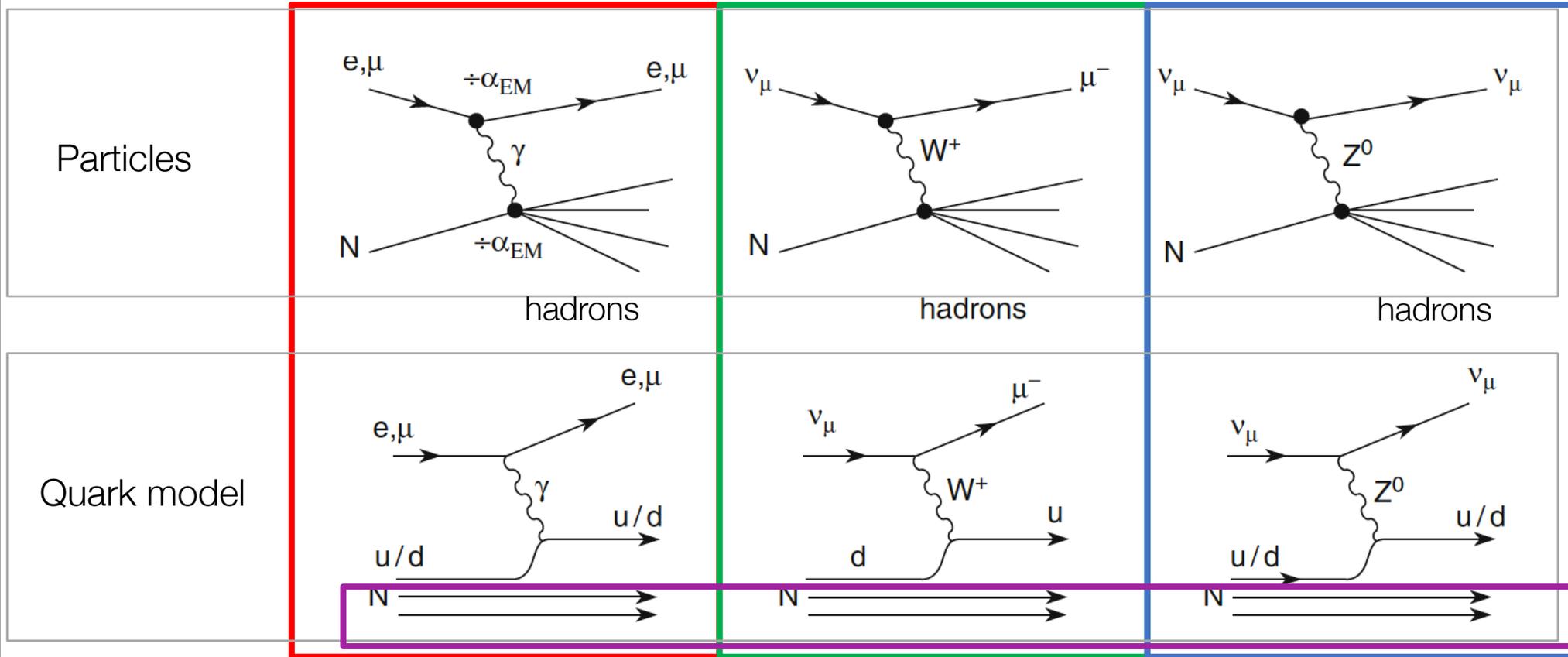
# Inelastic lepton-nucleus scattering

$$ep : e^\pm + p \rightarrow e^\pm + X^+$$

$$\nu_\mu p(CC) : \nu_\mu + p \rightarrow \mu^- + X^{++}, \bar{\nu}_\mu + p \rightarrow \mu^+ + X^0$$

$$\mu p : \mu^\pm + p \rightarrow \mu^\pm + X^+$$

$$\nu_\mu p(NC) : \nu_\mu + p \rightarrow \nu_\mu + X^+, \bar{\nu}_\mu + p \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu + X^+.$$



$$\Delta x \Delta Q c = \hbar c$$

$$\approx 197 \text{ MeV} \cdot \text{fm}$$

$$Q^2 = 4 \cdot 10^2 \text{ GeV}^2 / c^2$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta x \approx 10^{-17} \text{ m}$$

$$Q^2 = 4 \cdot 10^4 \text{ GeV}^2 / c^2$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta x \approx 10^{-18} \text{ m}$$

Spectators

$N = p / n$

Electromagnetic

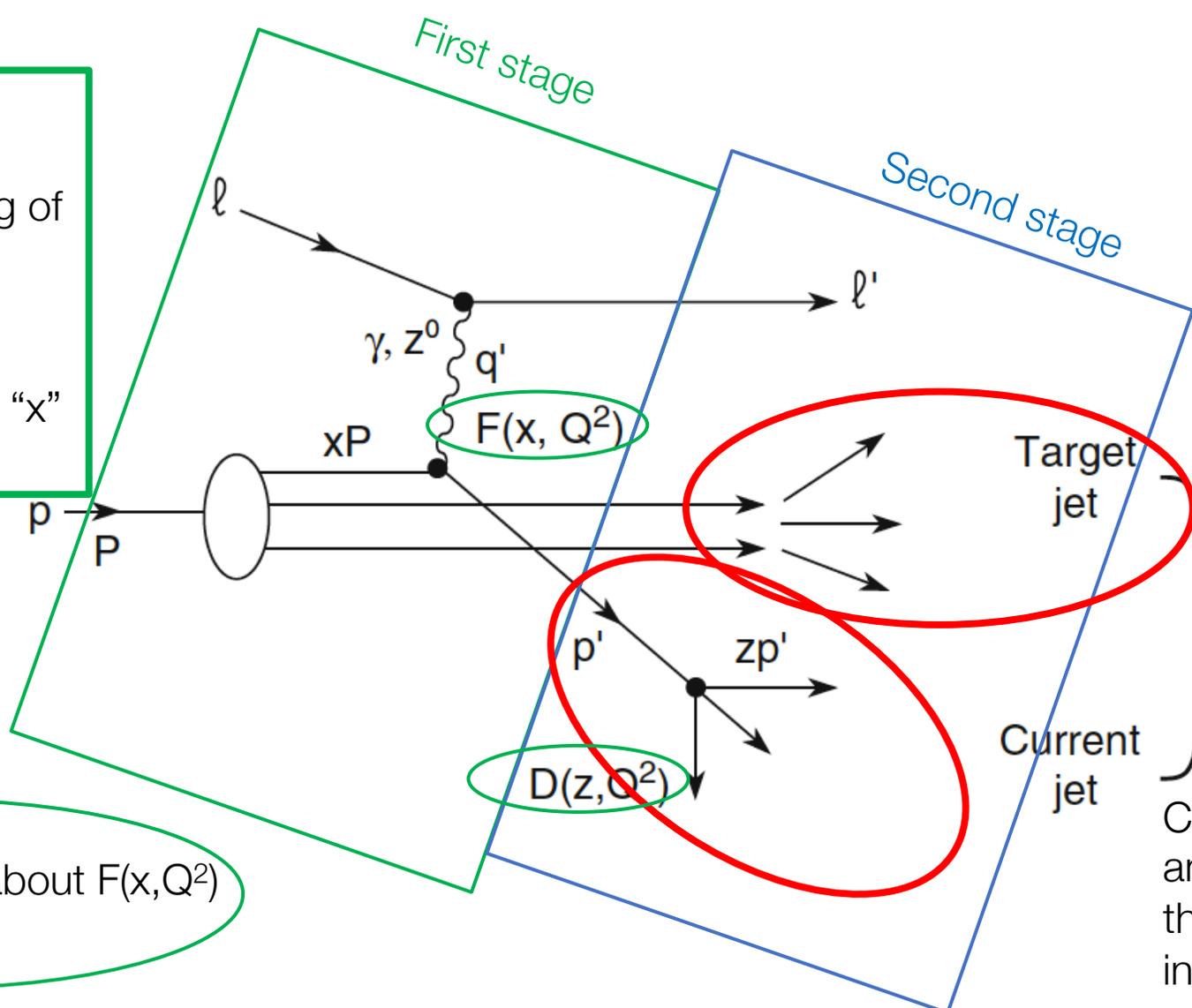
Weak Charged Current

Weak Neutral Current



# The Story of an Inelastic Lepton-Nucleon Scattering

First stage:  
~ elastic scattering of the virtual particle (boson) with one quark of the N carrying a fraction "x" of the N



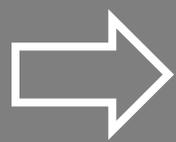
Second stage:  
Fragmentation → quarks cannot exist 'alone' → 'dress' into two jets

Target jet ~ in the same direction of the incoming hadron

Hadrons

Current jet ~ at large angle with respect to the direction of the incoming lepton

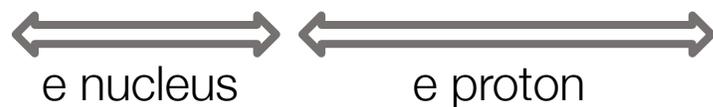
Later we will talk about  $F(x, Q^2)$  and  $D(z, Q^2)$



# Elastic Electron Nucleus/Proton Scattering

Calculation	electron		Target, charge Ze (Z=1 proton)					Expression
	electron	Electron with spin	Point-like target, infinite Mass	Point-like target with mass M	Point-like proton	Point-like proton with spin	Finite size proton with spin	
Rutherford	✓		✓					$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R = \frac{Z^2 e^4}{4E_0^2 (\sin \theta/2)^4}$
Mott		✓		✓				$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R \cdot (\cos \frac{\theta}{2})^2$
$\sigma_{NS}$		✓			✓			$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{NS} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M \cdot 1 / \left(1 - \frac{2E_0}{M} \sin \theta/2^2\right)$
$\sigma$		✓				✓		$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M \cdot \left(1 + \frac{q^2}{2M^2} \tan \theta/2^2\right)$
Rosenbluth		✓					✓	$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M \cdot \left[ \frac{G_E^2(Q^2) + \tau G_M^2(Q^2)}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2(Q^2) \tan \theta/2^2 \right]$

Complexity ▼



where  $\tau = \frac{Q^2}{M^2 c^2}$



# Deep Inelastic Scattering, Kinematics & Variables

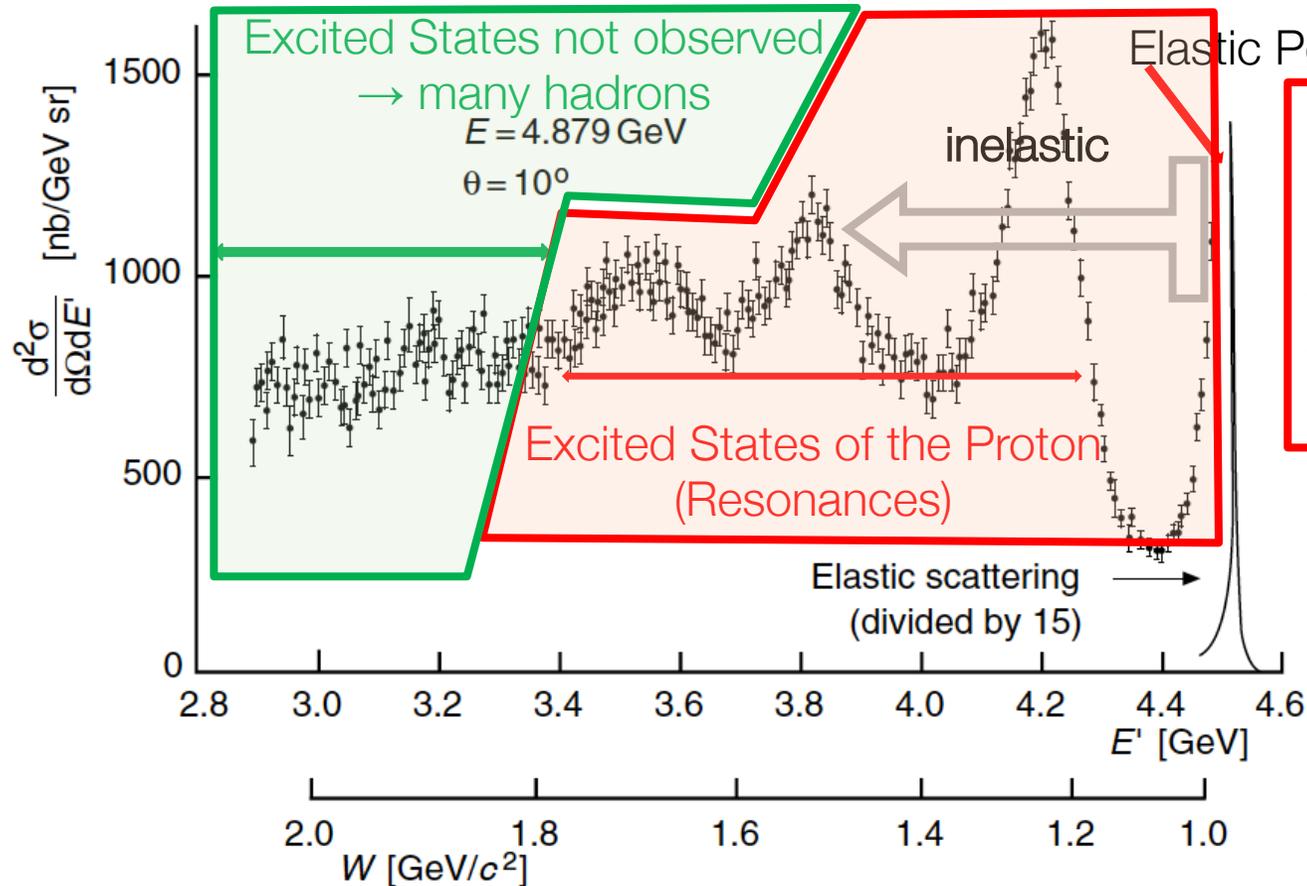


Figure ← electron-proton scattering.

- the incoming electron energy was  $E = 4.9 \text{ GeV}$
- the scattering electron angle was fixed to  $\theta = 10^\circ$
- The electron scattering energy is shown (part of the energy to the proton!)

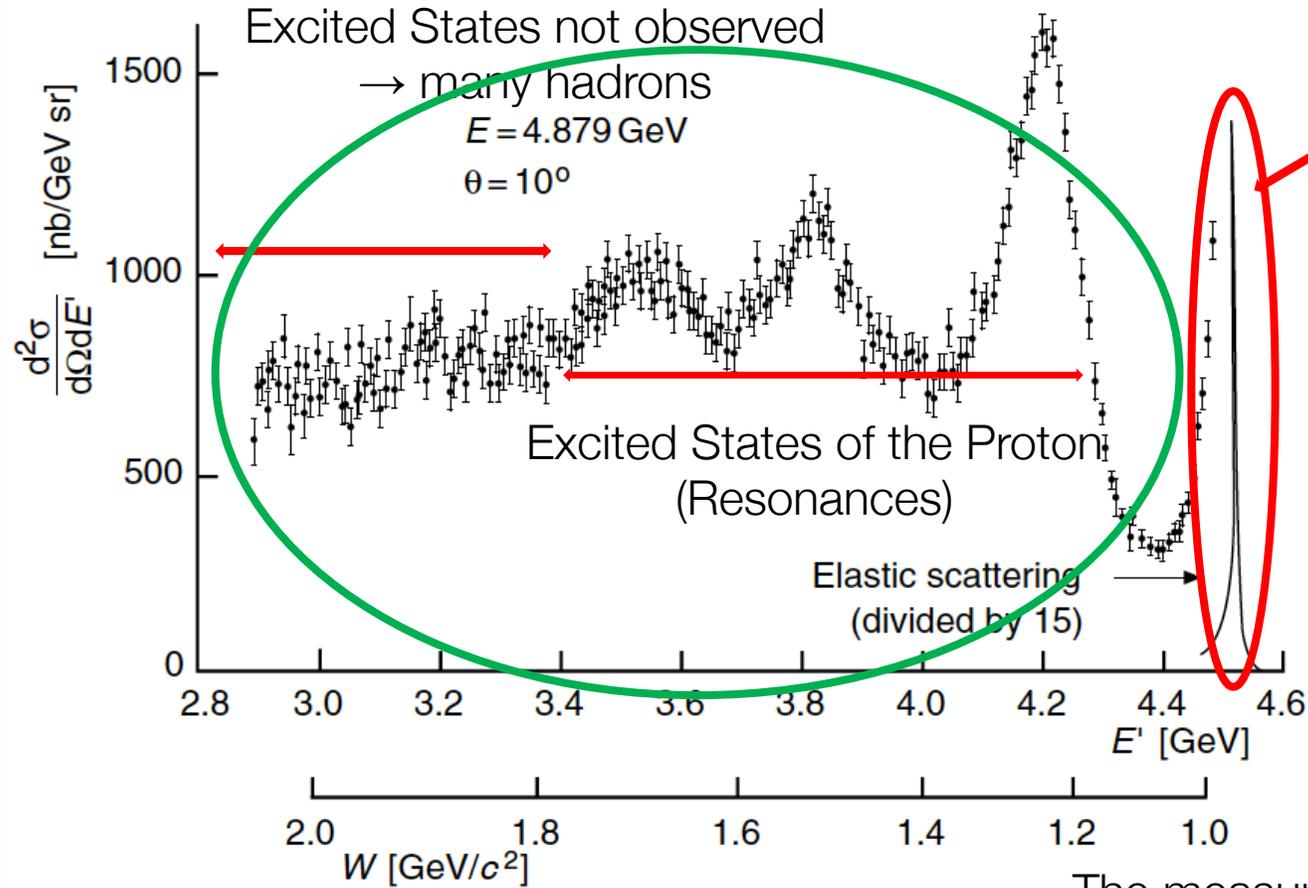
We see

- sharp elastic scattering peak (scaled down by 15)
- peaks at lower electron energies associated with inelastic excitations (excited states of the nucleon which we call nucleon resonances).
- Further down in energy, states with many hadrons

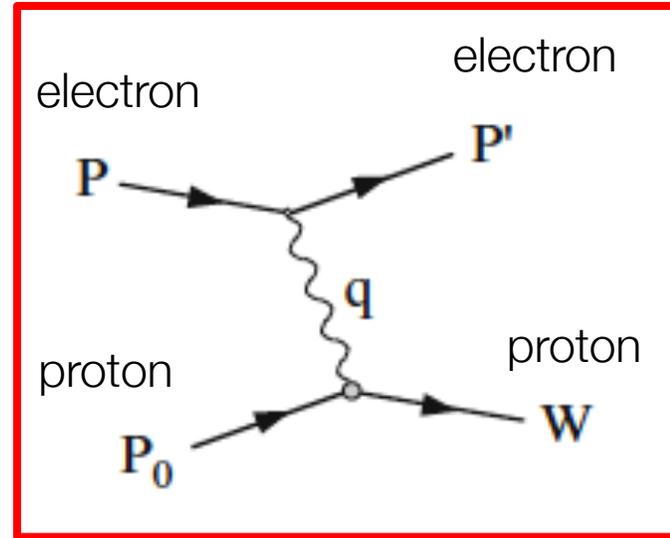
These excited states of the proton are an indication that **the proton is a composite system.** → quark model.



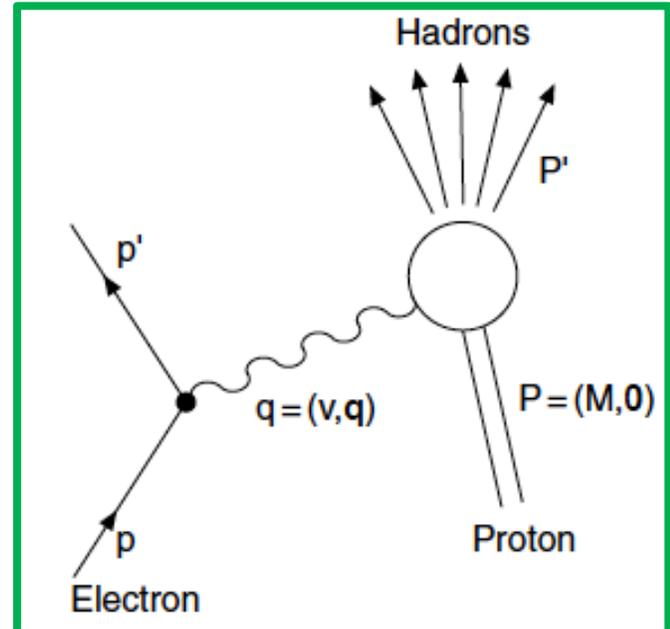
# Deep Inelastic Scattering, Kinematics & Variables



Elastic Peak → 2 particles in the final state./  
 The measurement of the electron scattering angle determines the kinematics of the event



Inelastic scattering → many particles in the final state)



The measurement of the electron scattering angle does not determine the kinematics of the event → 2 variables needed ( $E', \Theta$ ) or ( $Q^2, \nu$ )

Elastic Scattering

Form Factors

$G_E(Q^2), G_M(Q^2)$

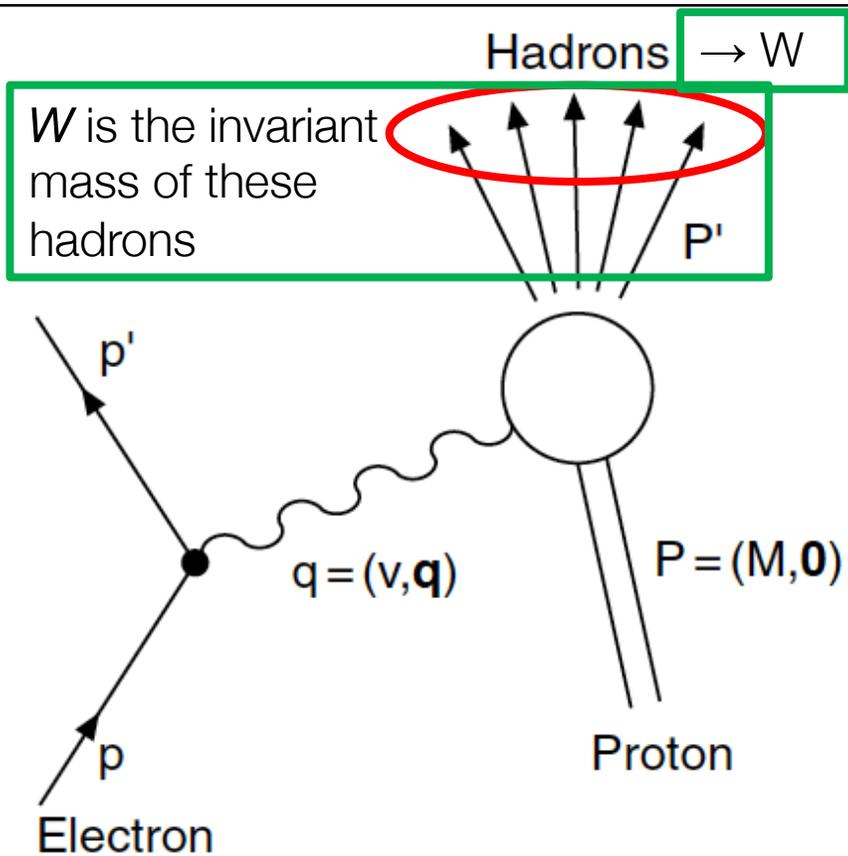
Inelastic Scattering

Structure Functions

$W_2(Q^2, \nu), W_1(Q^2, \nu)$



# Vocabulary and Kinematics of DIS



Electron-proton inelastic scattering: more than the two incoming particles in the final state.

The scattering occurs between a proton at rest and an exchanged photon. In this representation the kinematics is defined as follows (*use quadri-momenta*):

$W$  is defined as the invariant mass of all hadrons of the final state ( $W > M$ )

$$W^2 = P'^2 = (P + q)^2 = M^2 + 2Pq + q^2 = M^2 + 2M\nu - Q^2 \quad (Q^2 = -q^2)$$

And where

$$\nu = \frac{Pq}{M}$$

Quadri-momenta of particles are as follows: the target proton is at rest  $P=(Mc,0)$ , the exchanged photon is

$$q = ((E-E')/c, \mathbf{q}) \rightarrow \frac{Pq}{M} = \nu = \frac{Mc \cdot \frac{E-E'}{c} - q \cdot 0}{M} = E - E'$$

Therefore, the energy transferred by the virtual photon from the electron to the proton in the laboratory frame is:  $\nu = E - E'$



# Elastic and Inelastic Scattering

- Elastic scattering:  $G_E(Q^2)$  and  $G_M(Q^2)$  form factors.

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{Mott} \cdot \left[ \frac{G_E^2(Q^2) + \tau \cdot G_M^2(Q^2)}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2(Q^2) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right] \text{ where } \tau = \frac{Q^2}{M^2 c^2}$$

- The  $Q^2$  dependence of the form factors gives us information about the radial charge distributions and the magnetic moments.

In elastic scattering, one parameter only fixes the kinematics of the event.

Example: the scattering angle  $\theta$  is fixed,  $\rightarrow$  squared four-momentum transfer  $Q^2$ , the energy transfer  $\nu$ , the energy of the scattered electron  $E$  are also fixed. Since

$$W = M,$$

(and remembering that  $W^2 = P'^2 = (P + q)^2 = M^2 + 2Pq + q^2 = M^2 + 2M\nu - Q^2$  (inelastic scattering))

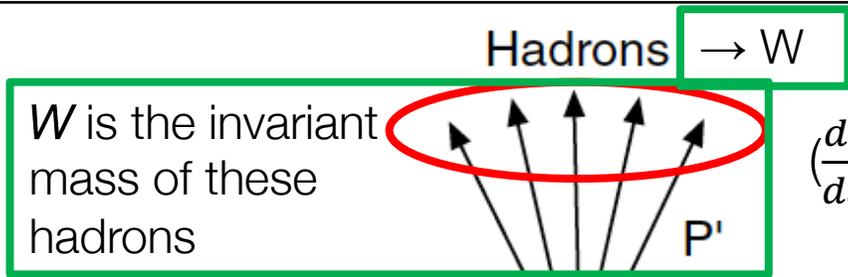
We get

$$M^2 = M^2 + 2M\nu - Q^2 \rightarrow 2M\nu - Q^2 = 0. \text{ (elastic scattering)}$$

Inelastic scattering:  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  structure functions.



# Evolving the Rosenbluth Cross Section



$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{Mott} \cdot \left[ \frac{G_E^2(Q^2) + \tau \cdot G_M^2(Q^2)}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2(Q^2) \tan^2 \frac{\theta^2}{2} \right] \quad \text{where } \tau = \frac{Q^2}{M^2 c^2}$$

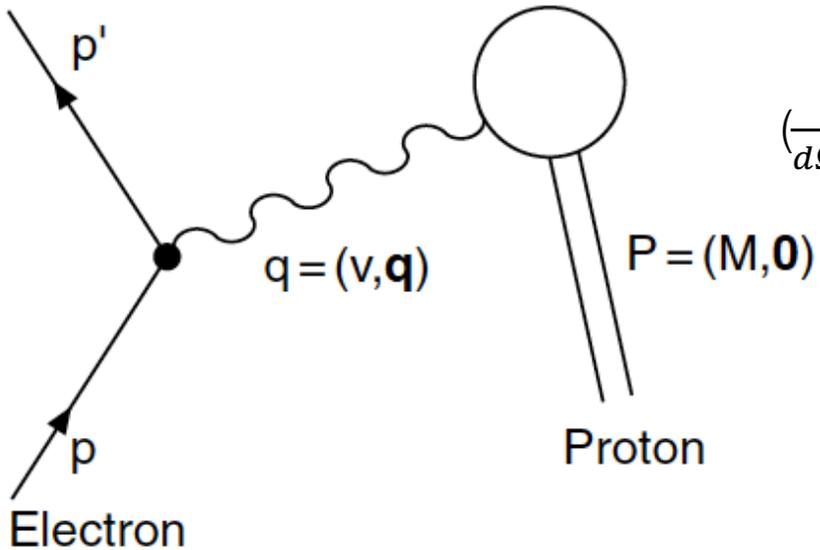
The modified cross section is generally rewritten now as

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE'}\right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{Mott} \cdot \left[ W_2(Q^2, \nu) + 2 \cdot W_1(Q^2, \nu) \tan^2 \frac{\theta^2}{2} \right] \quad \text{where } \nu = \frac{Pq}{M}$$

Electric interactions    Magnetic interactions

1 variable in elastic scattering → 2 variables in inelastic events

$$Q^2 \rightarrow Q^2, \nu$$



The energy transferred by the virtual photon from the electron to the proton in the laboratory frame is:  $\nu = E - E'$

Here  $G_E(Q^2)$  and  $G_M(Q^2)$  are the electric and magnetic form factors both of which depend on  $Q^2$ .  $W_2(Q^2, \nu)$  and  $W_1(Q^2, \nu)$  are the electric and magnetic structure functions both of which depend on  $Q^2$  and  $\nu$



# The Bjorken Scaling Variable "x"

$$W^2 = M^2 + 2M\nu - Q^2 \rightarrow$$

$$W^2 - M^2 + Q^2 = 2M\nu = 2m_p(E_p - E_{p'})$$



The structure of the proton is best studied introducing a new Lorentz-invariant variable  $x$  defined as

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2Pq} = \frac{Q^2}{2M\nu} = Q^2 / 2m_p(E_p - E_{p'})$$

This variable is generally known as "Bjorken scaling variable" and gives an indication of the inelasticity of the process.

$$Q^2 = 4E_e E_{e'} \sin^2(\theta_e/2)$$

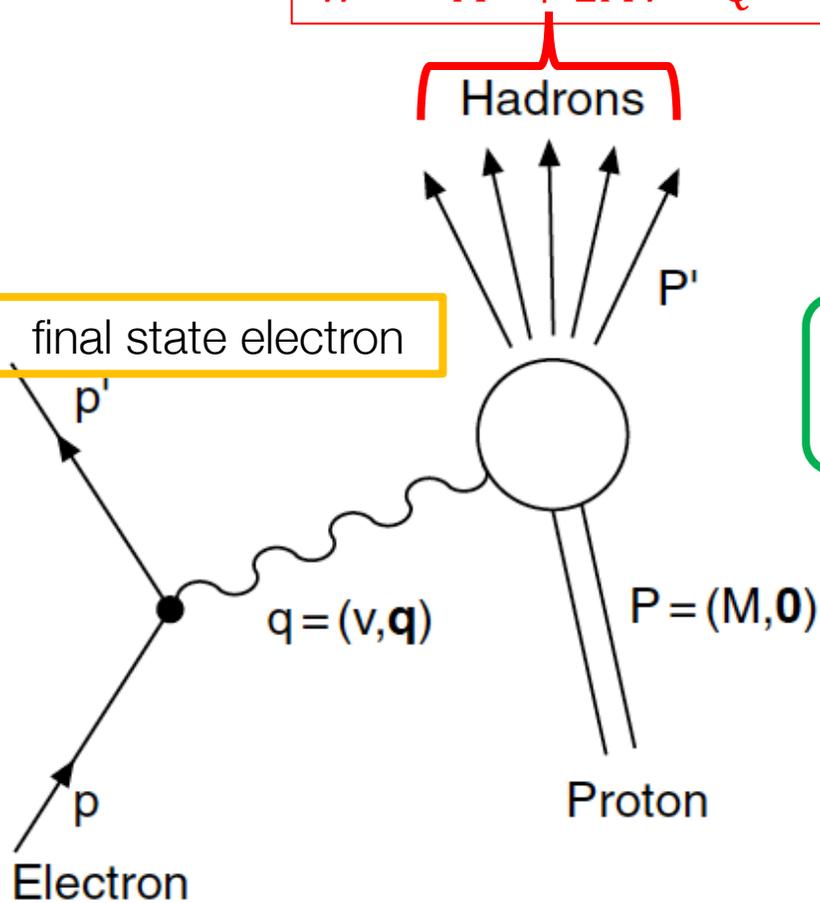
$$x = Q^2 / 2m_p(E_p - E_{p'})$$

In the elastic scattering  $W=M$  and the relation  $2M\nu - Q^2 = 0$  gives  $x=1$ .

In the case of inelastic processes however  $W>M$  and  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ .

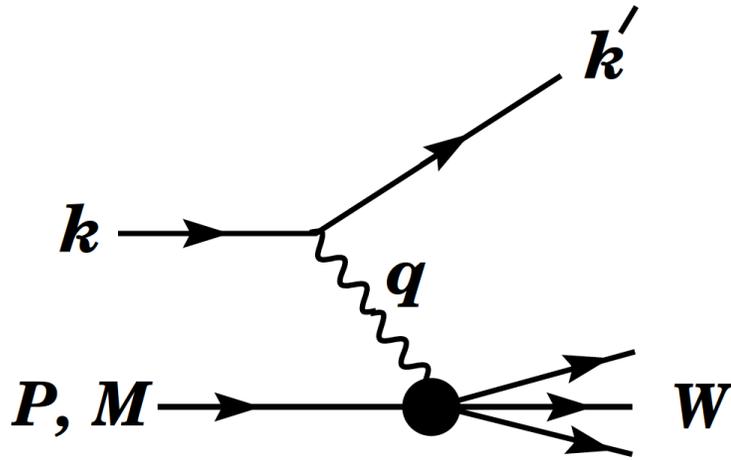
To deduce the momentum transfer  $Q^2$  and the energy loss  $\nu$ , *the energy and the scattering angle of the electron have to be determined in the experiment*

$W = M$	$W > M$
$x = 1$	$0 \leq x \leq 1$





# Summary of DIS Invariant Quantities



- $E, E'$  initial and final lepton energy
- $\theta$  lepton scattering angle
- $M$  nucleon mass

Elastic scattering: kinematics determined by

- $\theta$  lepton scattering angle

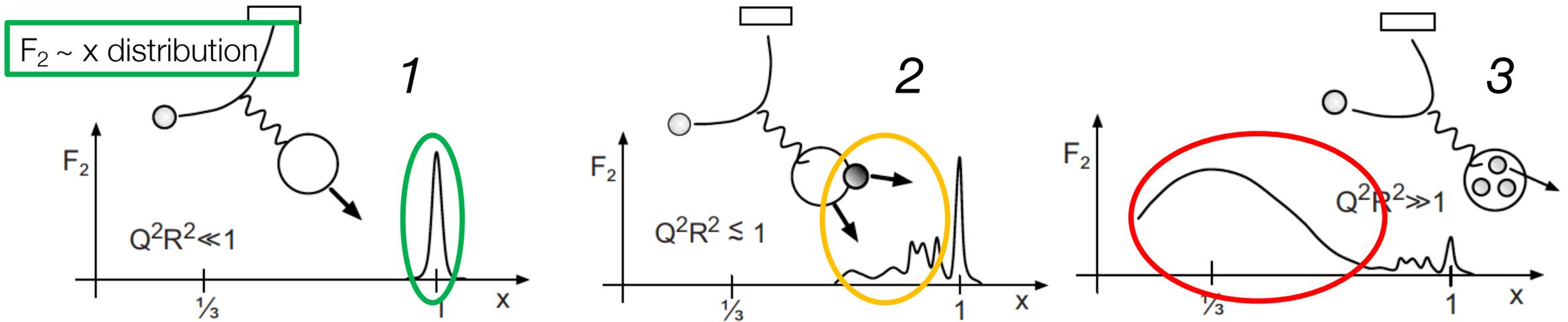
Inelastic scattering: kinematics determined by

- $\theta$  lepton scattering angle
- $E'$  final lepton energy

$v = \frac{q \cdot P}{M} = E - E'$	<i>lepton's energy loss</i>
$Q^2 = -q^2 = 2(EE' - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{k}') - m_\ell^2 - m_{\ell'}^2$	$Q^2$ value
<i>if: <math>EE' \sin^2(\frac{\theta}{2}) \gg m_\ell^2, m_{\ell'}^2</math>, then</i>	$Q^2$ value when $m_\ell^2, m_{\ell'}^2$ negligible
$Q^2 \approx 4EE' \sin^2(\frac{\theta}{2})$	
$x = \frac{Q^2}{2Mv}$	<i>fraction of the nucleon's momentum carried by the struck quark</i>
$y = \frac{q \cdot P}{k \cdot P} = \frac{v}{E}$	<i>fraction of the lepton's energy lost in the nucleon rest frame</i>
$W^2 = (P + q)^2 = M^2 + 2Mv - Q^2$	<i>mass squared of the system recoiling against the scattered lepton</i>
$s = (k + P)^2 = \frac{Q^2}{xy} + M^2 + m_\ell^2$	<i>lepton-nucleon center-of-mass energy</i>



# Understanding 'x'



What do we see with increasing  $Q^2$ ?

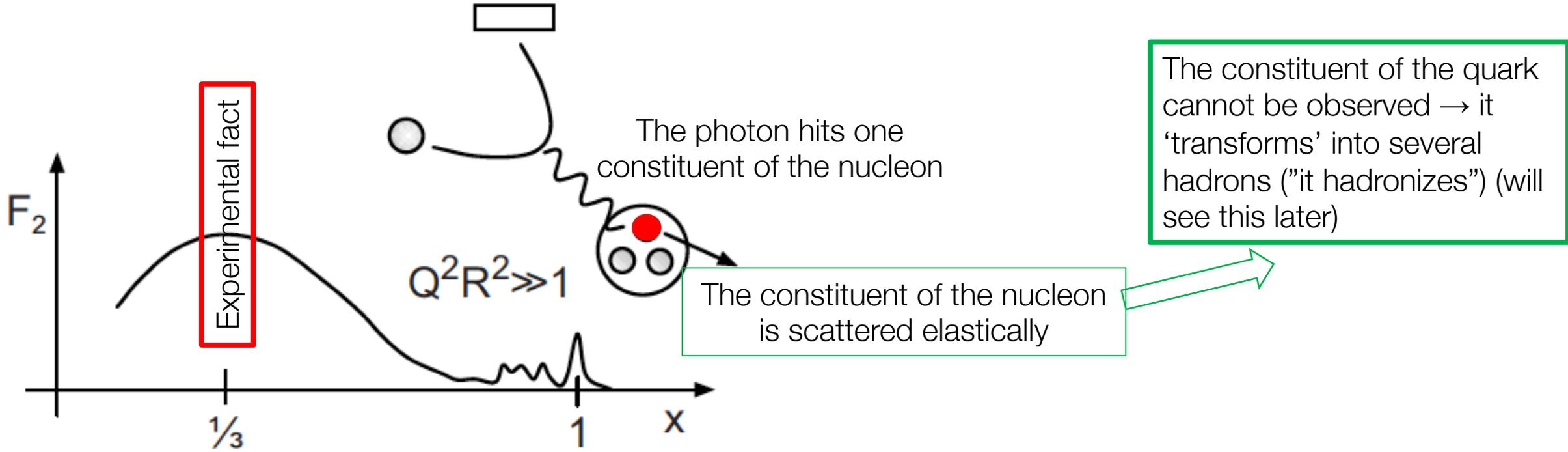
See above 3 different cases

$Q^2 \uparrow$  wave length of the probe particle  $\downarrow$

1. The  $Q^2$  of the reaction is  $\sim$ low, the **nucleon** is seen by the exchanged photon as **a unique object**. We have elastic scattering
2. The  $Q^2$  of the reaction is not as  $\sim$ low as in 1, not enough to probe the inner structure but enough to **excite the nucleon**
3. The  $Q^2$  of the reaction is  $\sim$ large enough to see the internal structure of the proton and the photon scatters elastically on one of the **internal constituents of the nucleon**



# More Understanding of 'x'



The peak at  $\sim 1/3$  can be understood as the "most probable"  $x$  value corresponding to the *elastic scattering of the photon and one of the nucleon constituents.*

If we assume that the 'x' budget is equally shared by 'n' nucleon constituents then

$$x = \frac{1}{n} \frac{Q^2}{2Pq} = \frac{1}{n} \frac{Q^2}{2Mv} \longrightarrow \text{This term is equal to 1 in case of elastic scattering}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow \text{there are 3 components in the nucleon}$$



# From $W_2$ and $W_1$ to $F_2$ and $F_1$

For elastic scattering, two form factors  $G_E^2, G_M^2$  are necessary to describe the electric and magnetic distributions.  
The cross-section for the scattering of an electron off a nucleon is described by the Rosenbluth formula,

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{Mott} \cdot \left[ \frac{G_E^2(Q^2) + \tau \cdot G_M^2(Q^2)}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2(Q^2) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right] \leftarrow \text{Elastic Scattering, } Q^2 \quad \text{where } \tau = \frac{Q^2}{M^2 c^2}$$

In the e-p inelastic scattering, it transforms into

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE'}\right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{Mott} \cdot \left[ W_2(Q^2, \nu) + 2 \cdot W_1(Q^2, \nu) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right] \leftarrow \text{Inelastic Scattering, } Q^2, \nu$$

where the first term describes **electrical interactions** and the second term represents the **magnetic interaction**.

One variable,  $Q^2$ , in the elastic case  $\rightarrow$  two variables,  $Q^2$  and  $\nu$ , in the inelastic case



# From $W_2$ and $W_1$ to $F_2$ and $F_1$

The two structure functions  $W_1(Q^2, \nu)$  and  $W_2(Q^2, \nu)$  in

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE'}\right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{Mott} \cdot \left[ W_2(Q^2, \nu) + 2 \cdot W_1(Q^2, \nu) \tan^2 \frac{\theta^2}{2} \right]$$

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R = \frac{Z^2 e^4}{4E_0^2 (\sin \theta/2)^4}$$

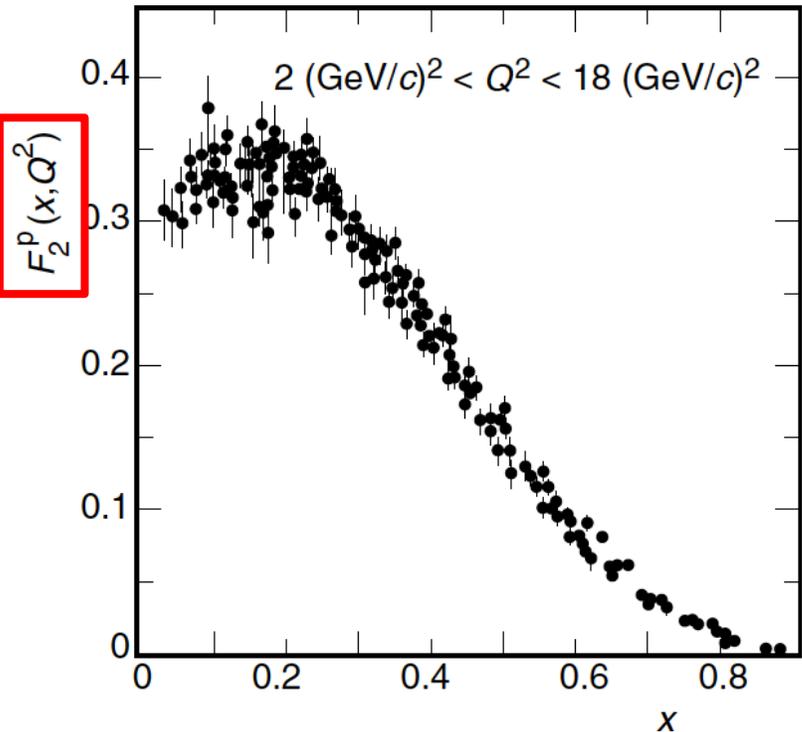
$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R \cdot (\cos \frac{\theta}{2})^2$$

Can be replaced by two dimensionless functions

$$F_1(x, Q^2) = M^2 W_1(Q^2, \nu)$$

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = \nu W_2(Q^2, \nu)$$

Magnetic interaction term:  $W_1$  &  $F_1$  vanishes for scattering off spin 0 particles



$G_E^2, G_M^2 \rightarrow W_2, W_1 \rightarrow F_1, F_2$   
 different functions correspond better to inner structure. **Weak x-dependence**

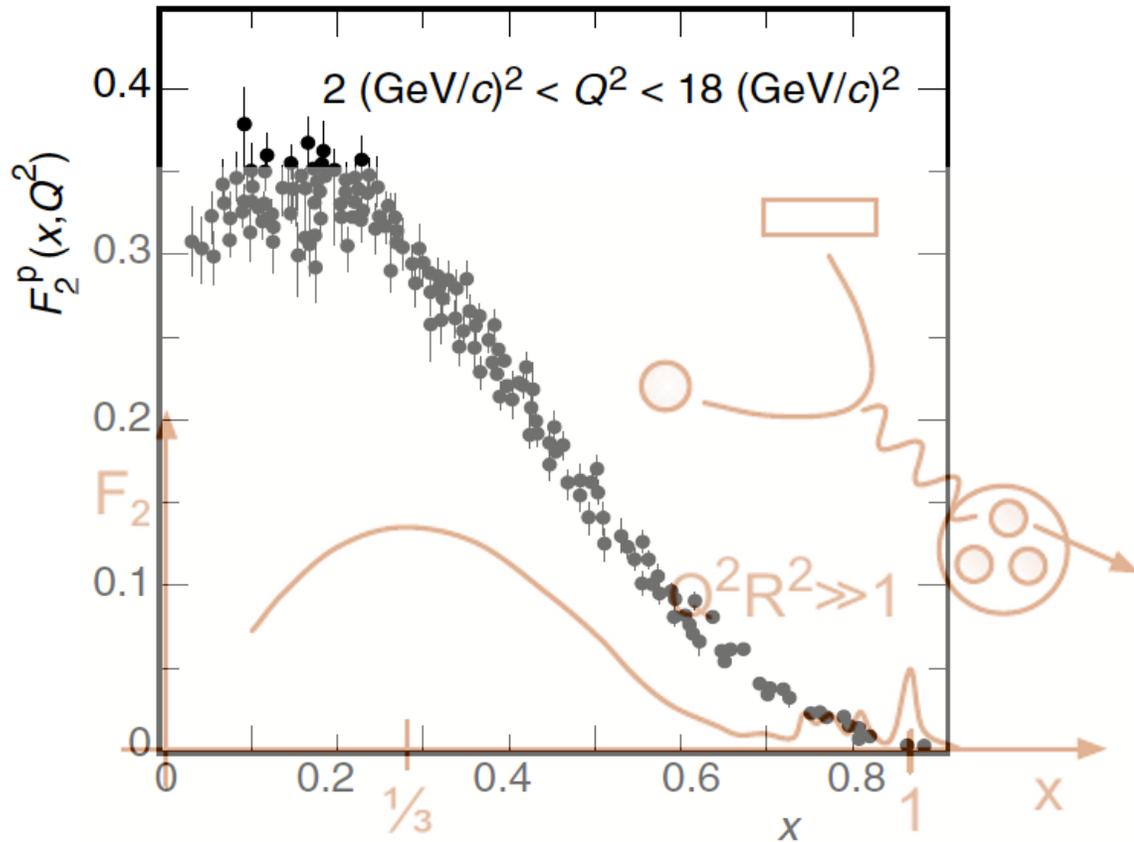
The measured structure function  $F_2(x, Q^2)$  is shown in the figure ← for a  $Q^2$  interval between 2 and 18  $(\text{GeV}/c)^2$ .

$F_2^p(x, Q^2) \rightarrow$  measured in protons, you cannot choose a single quark!  
 Experimental points taken at different  $Q^2$  are seen to be superimposed.

It can be shown that this implies the scattering off point like objects.



# $F_2$ measurement



The peak of the experimental distribution is seen at a value of about  $\sim 0.2$ , lower than the  $1/3$  shown in the qualitative distribution. The shift is due to understood effects that will be discussed later



# (Electron, Muon, Neutrino) – Proton scattering: History

Studying the nucleon's constituents the wave length of the probe particle  $\lambda$  has to be small compared to the nucleon's radius,  $R$

$$\lambda \ll R \rightarrow Q^2 \gg \hbar^2/R^2$$

Large  $Q^2$  values are needed  $\rightarrow$  high energies are required.

- The **first generation** ~1960 @ **SLAC** 25 GeV electrons on a target
- The **second generation** ~ 1980 @ **CERN** using beams of *muons* of up to 300 GeV (\*). Muons on a target
- The **last generation** ~1990  $\rightarrow$  2007 @ **DESY** Collider **HERA**: 30 GeV electrons against 900 GeV protons (see next slides).

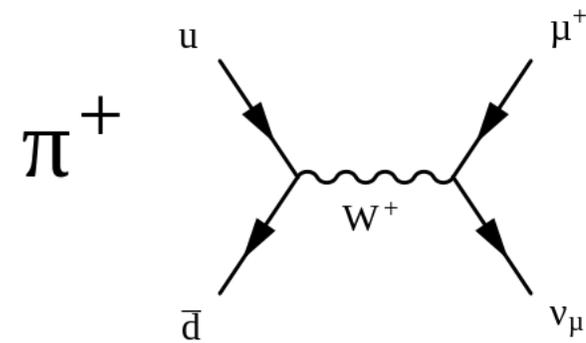
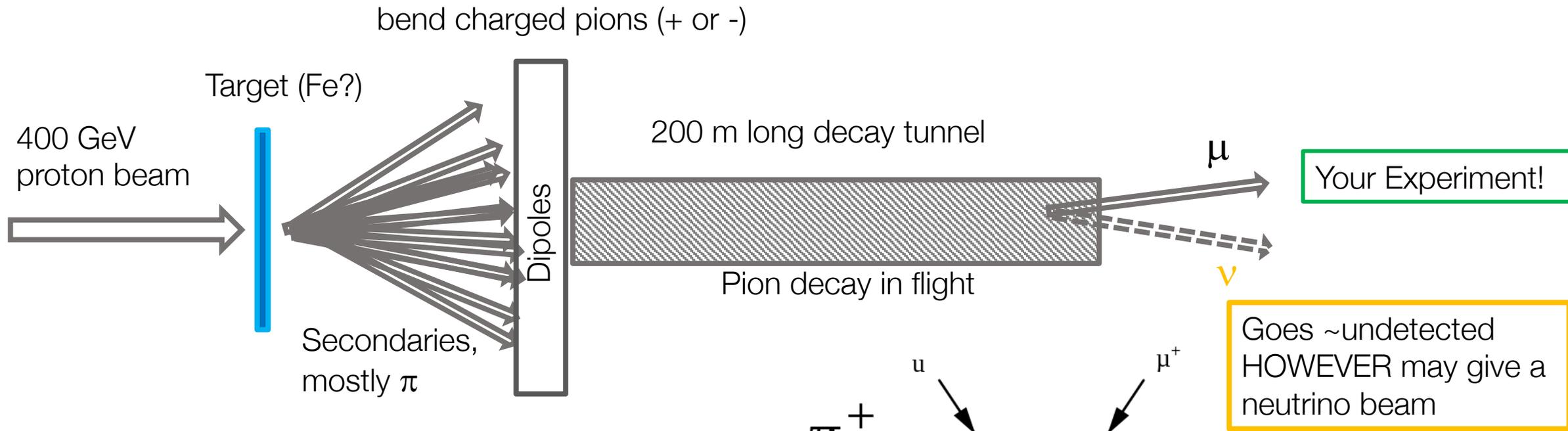
Photon exchange:  
You need to use charged particles!

- In the SLAC experiments, the basic properties of the quark and gluon structure of the hadrons were established.
- The second and the third generations of experiments are at the basis of the  
**Quantum Chromodynamics,**  
the theory of the strong interaction.

(\*) Protons of 400 GeV on a target produced pions which were kept confined in a 200 meters tunnel. During the flight part of the pions decayed into muons which were collected into a beam with energies up to 300 GeV.



# Producing Muon Beams



~Empirical!

$$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$$

$$p + \text{Fe} \rightarrow X (\sim \frac{1}{3} \pi^+ + \frac{1}{3} \pi^- + \frac{1}{3} \pi^0) + \sim p (1/2 \text{ energy})$$

$$\pi^- \rightarrow \mu^- + \bar{\nu}$$

$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu$$

Goes ~undetected  
HOWEVER may give a  
neutrino beam

$\pi^+$  gives  $\nu$  and  $\mu^+$   
 $\pi^-$  gives  $\bar{\nu}$  and  $\mu^-$



# Hera, Hadron-Electron Ring in Desy-DE

*Circular  $e + p$  accelerator @ Desy, Hamburg-DE.*

- 15 to 30 m underground and circumference of 6.3 km. Leptons and protons  $\rightarrow$  two independent rings
- At HERA, 27.5 GeV electrons (or positrons) collided with 920 GeV protons, cms energy of 318 GeV (\*).
- electrons or positrons: 450 MeV, 7.5 GeV, 14 GeV, 27.5 GeV.
- Protons: 50 MeV, 7 GeV, 40 GeV, 920 GeV.
- 4 interaction regions, 4 experiments H1, ZEUS, HERMES and Hera-B.
- About 40 minutes to fill the machine
- Operated between 1992 and 2007.



$$(*) E_{cm}(\text{or cms}) = \sqrt{m_p^2 + m_e^2 + 2E_p E_e (1 - \beta_1 \beta_2 \cos(\theta))} \approx \sqrt{2E_p E_e \cdot 2}$$

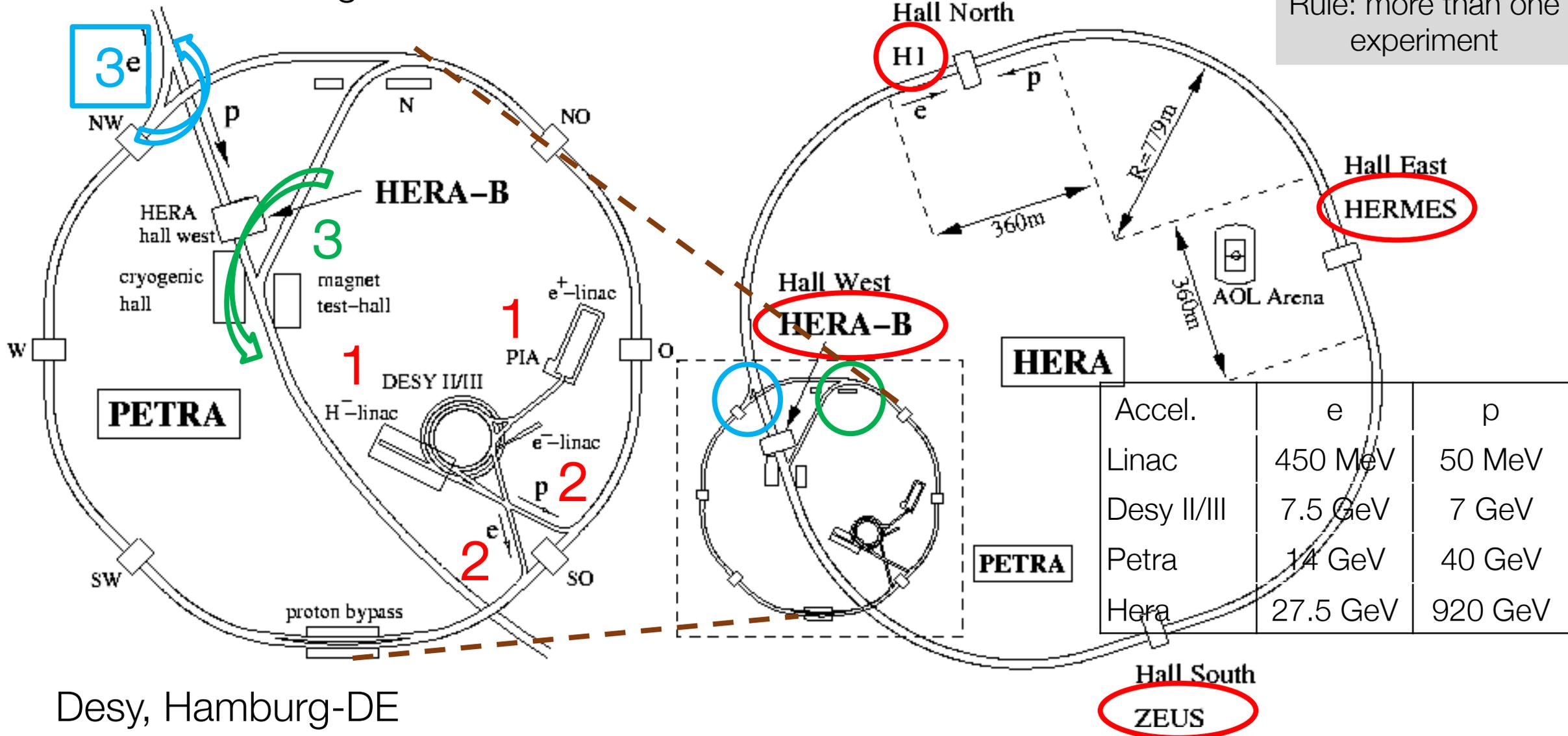
At high energy  
 $\beta_1 \cdot \beta_2 = 1 \cdot -1$



# HERA Accelerator Complex

Three stage acceleration: Linac and *Petra* and then *Hera*

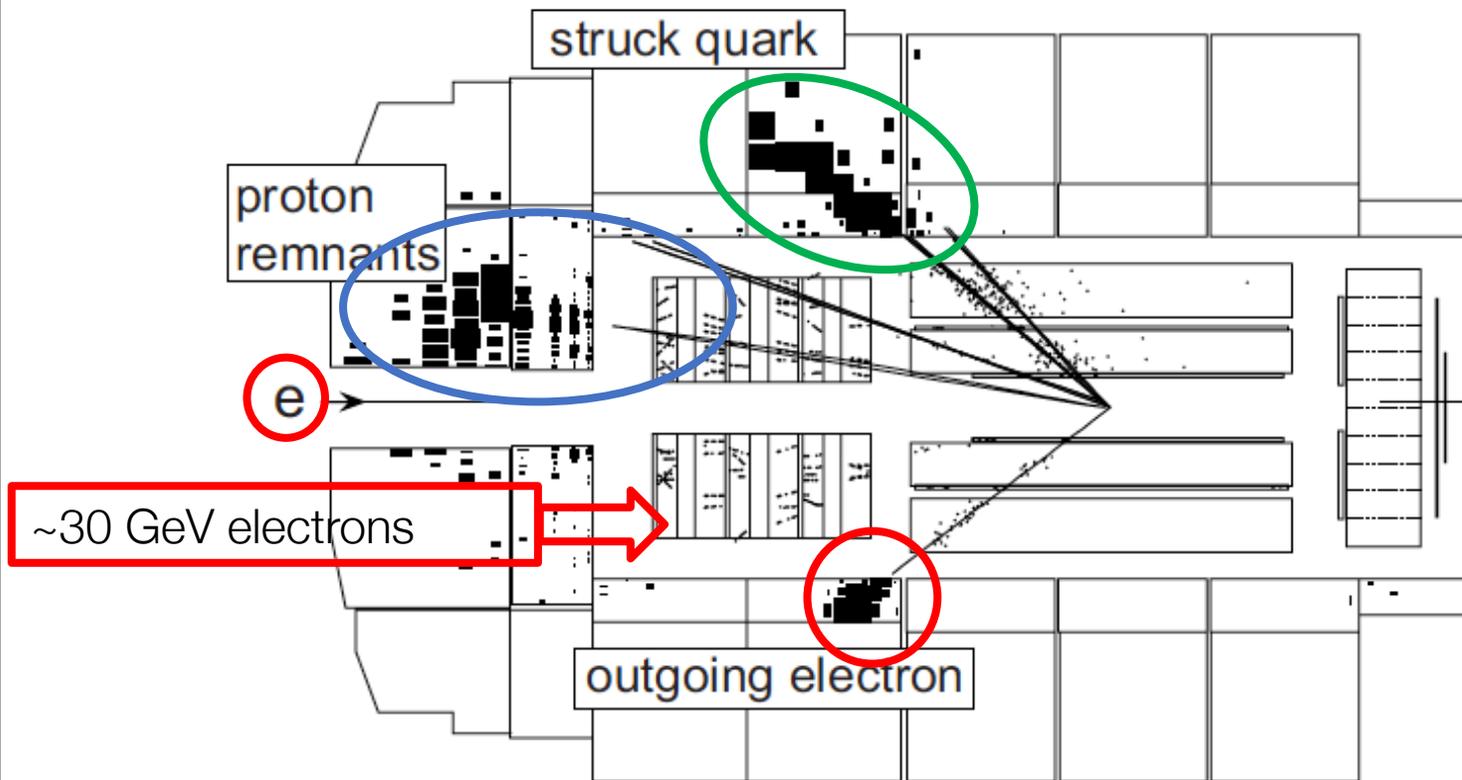
Rule: more than one experiment



Desy, Hamburg-DE



# Display of one DIS event in Hera



To deduce the momentum transfer  $Q^2$  and the **energy loss**  $\nu = E' - E$ , the **energy** and the **scattering angle** of the electron have to be determined in the experiment.

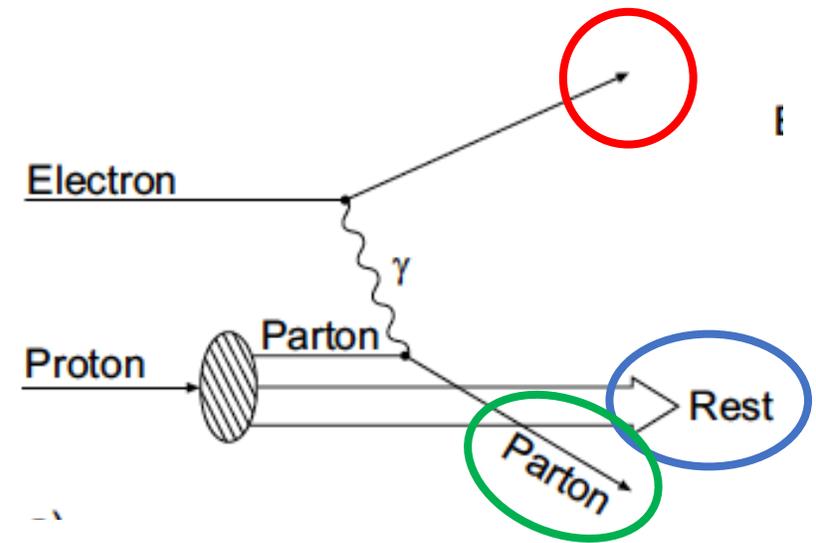
*Very asymmetric event topology!*

Up to 920 GeV protons

The direction of all charged particles is measured in the inner tracking detector. The energy of the scattered electron is measured in the electromagnetic calorimeter, that of the hadrons in the hadron calorimeter.

$$Q^2 = 4E_e E_{e'} \sin^2(\theta_e/2)$$

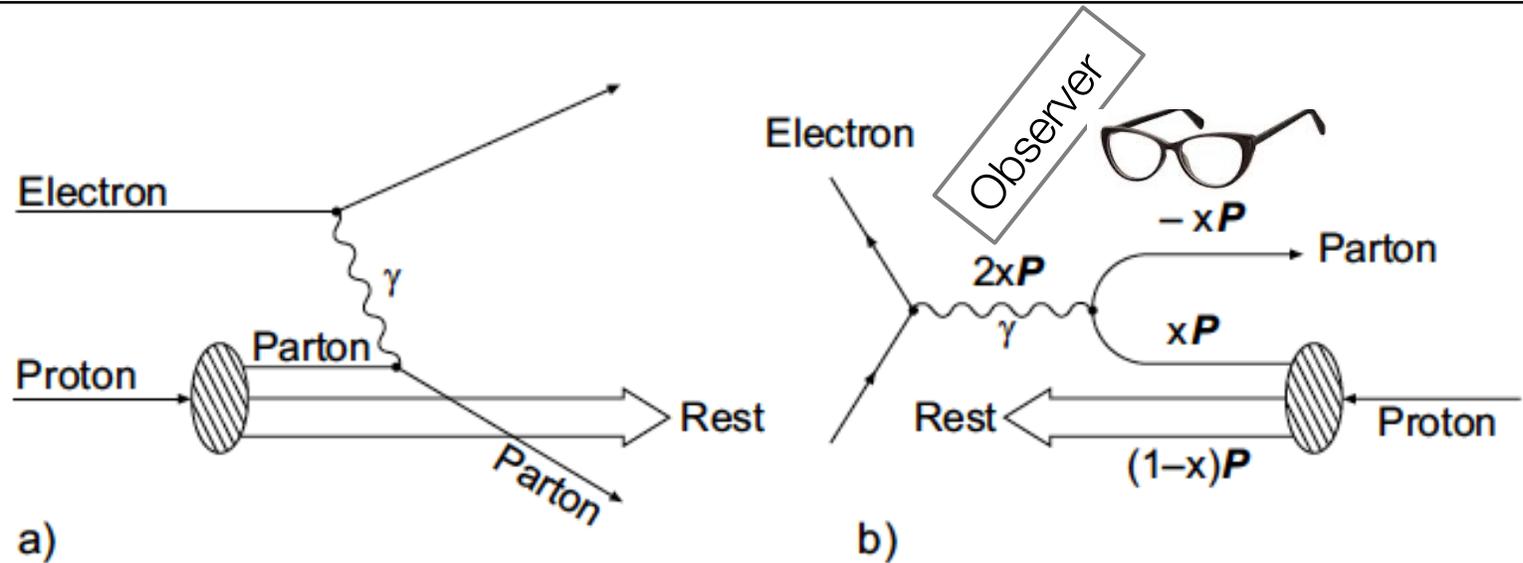
$$x = Q^2 / 2m_p (E_p - E_{p'})$$





# Choosing the Reference Frame of the DIS: Parton Model

- Physics is independent of reference frame
- Proton observed in a reference system where it appears to be very fast  $\rightarrow$  only longitudinal components, neglect  $p_T$
- Masses can be neglected



Partons =  
quarks (charged) and neutral (gluons)

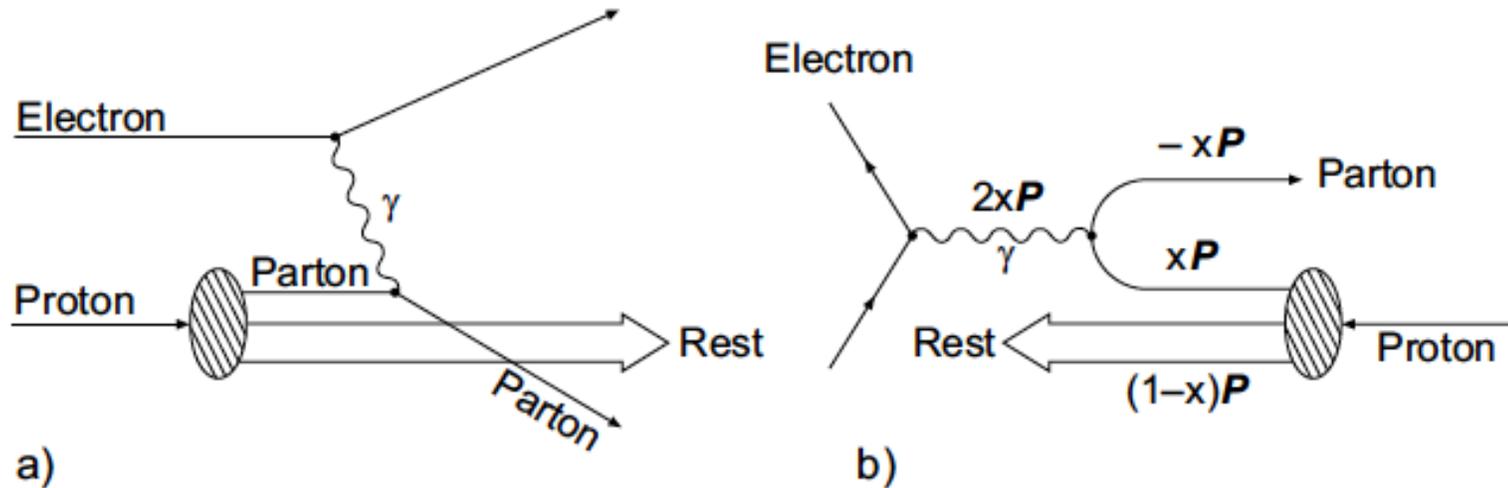
parton point of view of deep inelastic e-p scattering:

- (a) in the laboratory system
- (b) in a fast moving system (the Breit frame) in which the momentum transferred by the virtual photon is zero. Hence the momentum of the parton hit by the electron is turned around but its magnitude is unchanged.

Decomposing the proton into a sum of independent components allows us to see the Interaction electron proton = sum of elastic interactions between the electron (via photon exchange) and partons



# The Impulse Approximation



It is assumed that

- the duration of the interaction photon – parton is so short that partons do not have time to interact between themselves  $\rightarrow$

*Impulse Approximation*

- Masses can be neglected  $\rightarrow$

$$Q^2 \gg M^2 c^2$$

remember:  $v$  = energy transferred by the virtual  $\gamma$  from the  $e$  to the  $p$

In the laboratory system the photon which has four-momentum  $q=(v/c, \mathbf{q})$  interacts with a parton carrying the four-momentum  $xP$

The reduced wave-length  $\lambda$  of the virtual photon is given by

$$\lambda = \frac{\hbar}{|\mathbf{q}|} = \frac{\hbar}{\sqrt{Q^2}}$$

This gives the size of the structures of the proton we can study using a photon with momentum transfer  $Q^2$



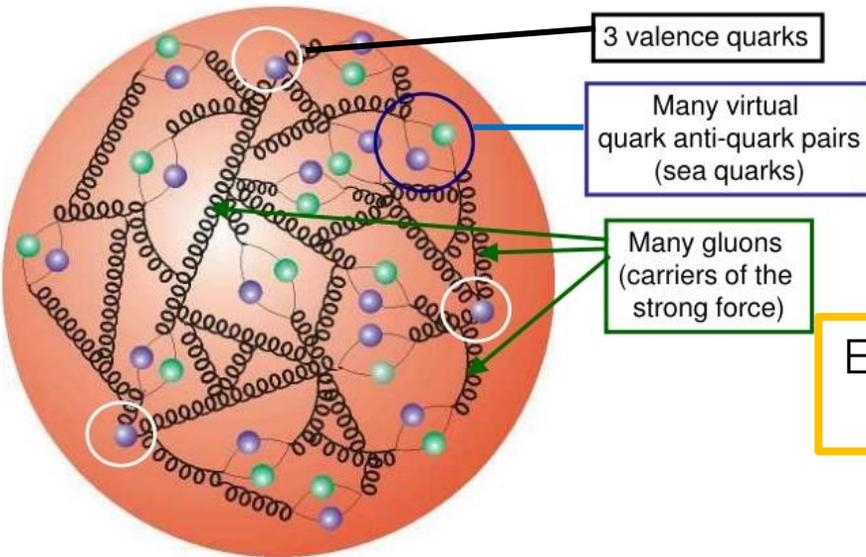
# Why do we Need to Study $e$ Scattering on $p$ /Nuclei ?

LHC: the largest accelerator in the world: proton beam against proton protons at a cms energy of 6.5 TeV + 6.5 TeV.  
collisions between two very complex objects!

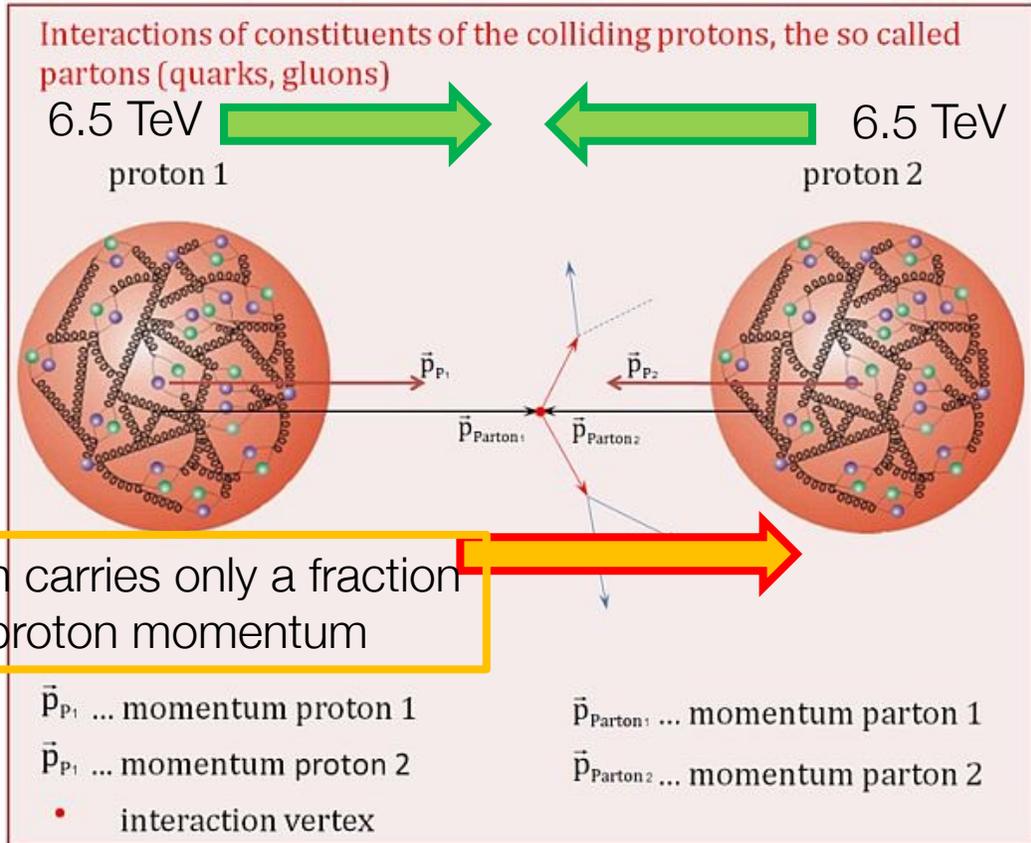
→ To interpret these collisions you need to know the structure of the proton

$F_2(x, Q^2)$  tells us how quarks are distributed in  $x$

## Content of the nucleon



... only quarks and anti-quarks interact with neutrinos



Each parton carries only a fraction of the proton momentum



# How to measure the $W_2 \rightarrow F_2$ Structure Function?

- Scattering  $ep$  and  $\mu p$  (at accelerators)

$$ep: e^\pm + p \rightarrow e^\pm + X^+$$

$$\mu p: \mu^\pm + p \rightarrow \mu^\pm + X^+$$

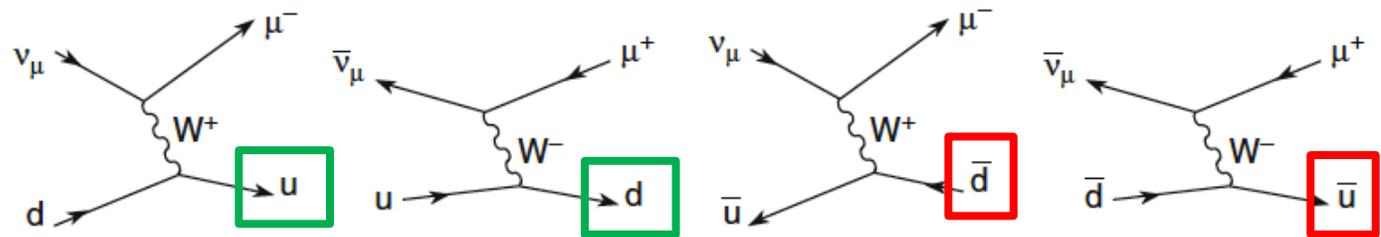
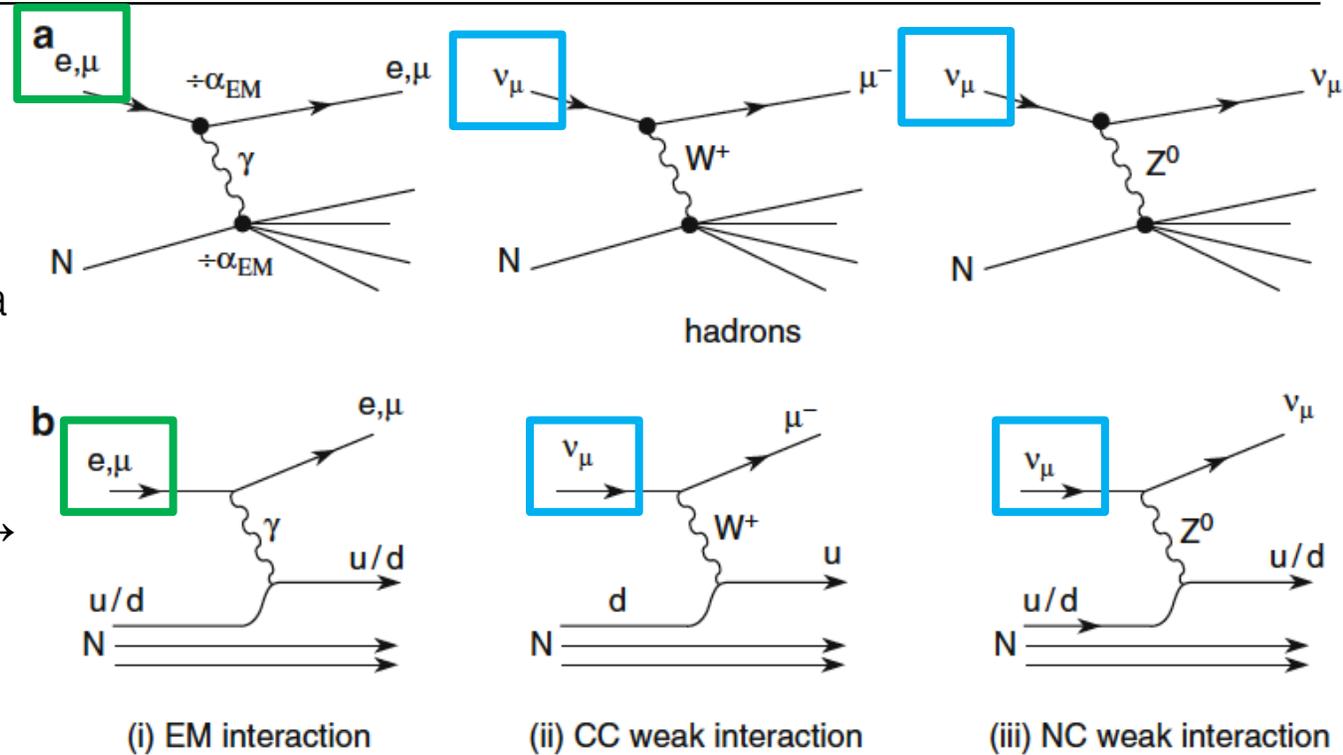
- Scattering of leptons (**electrons** and **neutrinos**) on a hydrogen (1p), deuterium (1p+1n) and heavier nuclei target (targets with #protons=#neutrons).
- $F_2^d$ : Scattering on nuclei the structure function is always given per nucleon (protons and neutrons)  $\rightarrow$  How to distinguish  $F_2^p$  from  $F_2^n$ ? **Compare targets!**
- The structure function of the deuteron  $F_2^d$  is equal to the average structure function of the nucleons

$$F_2^N \quad F_2^d \approx \frac{F_2^p + F_2^n}{2} = F_2^N$$

- Neutrinos on a target  $\rightarrow$  it is (im)possible to distinguish between 'valence' and 'sea' quarks

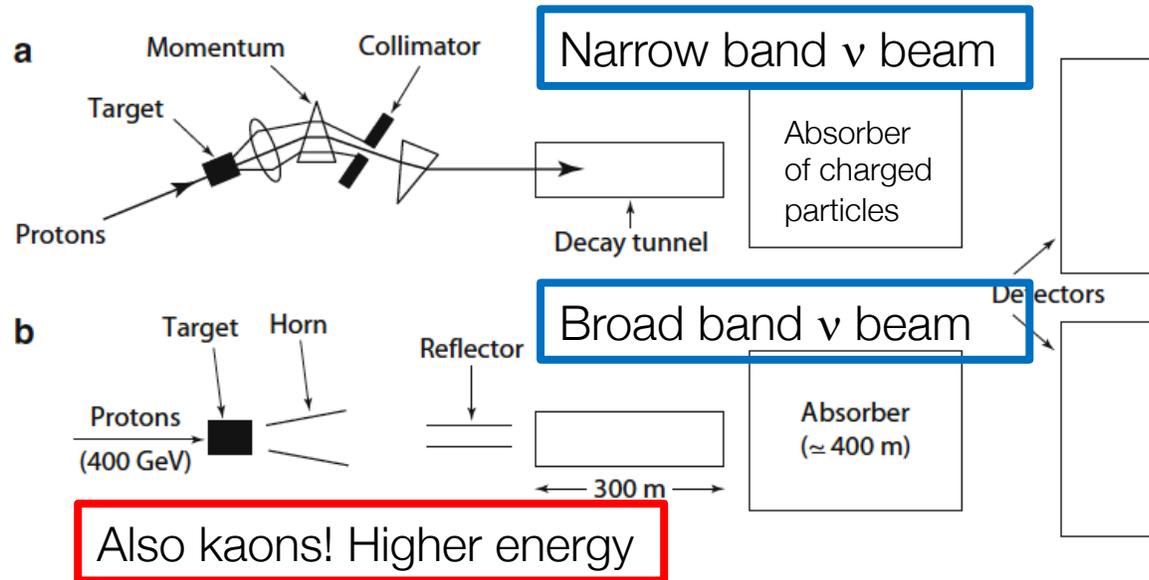
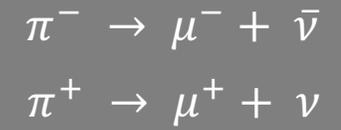
$$v_\mu p(CC): v_\mu + p \rightarrow \mu^- + X^{++}, \quad \bar{v}_\mu + p \rightarrow \mu^+ + X^0$$

$$v_\mu p(NC): v_\mu + p \rightarrow v_\mu + X^+, \quad \bar{v}_\mu + p \rightarrow \bar{v}_\mu + X^+$$





# Of Neutrino Beams

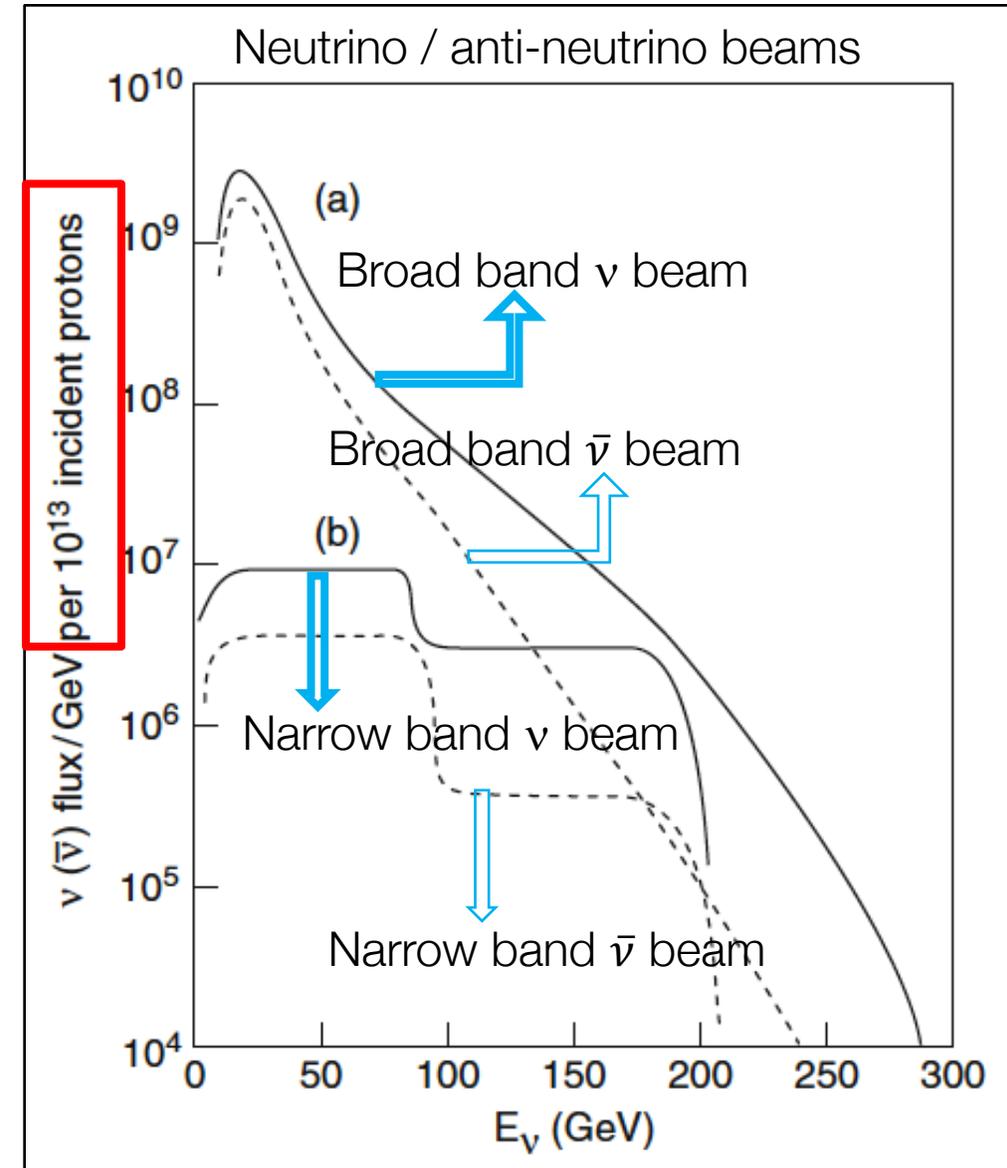


Narrow band  $\nu$  beam:  $\sim \pi$  selected in momentum  $\sim$  low intensity  
 Broad band  $\nu$  beam:  $\sim \pi$  not selected in momentum  $\sim$  high intensity

## Experiments:

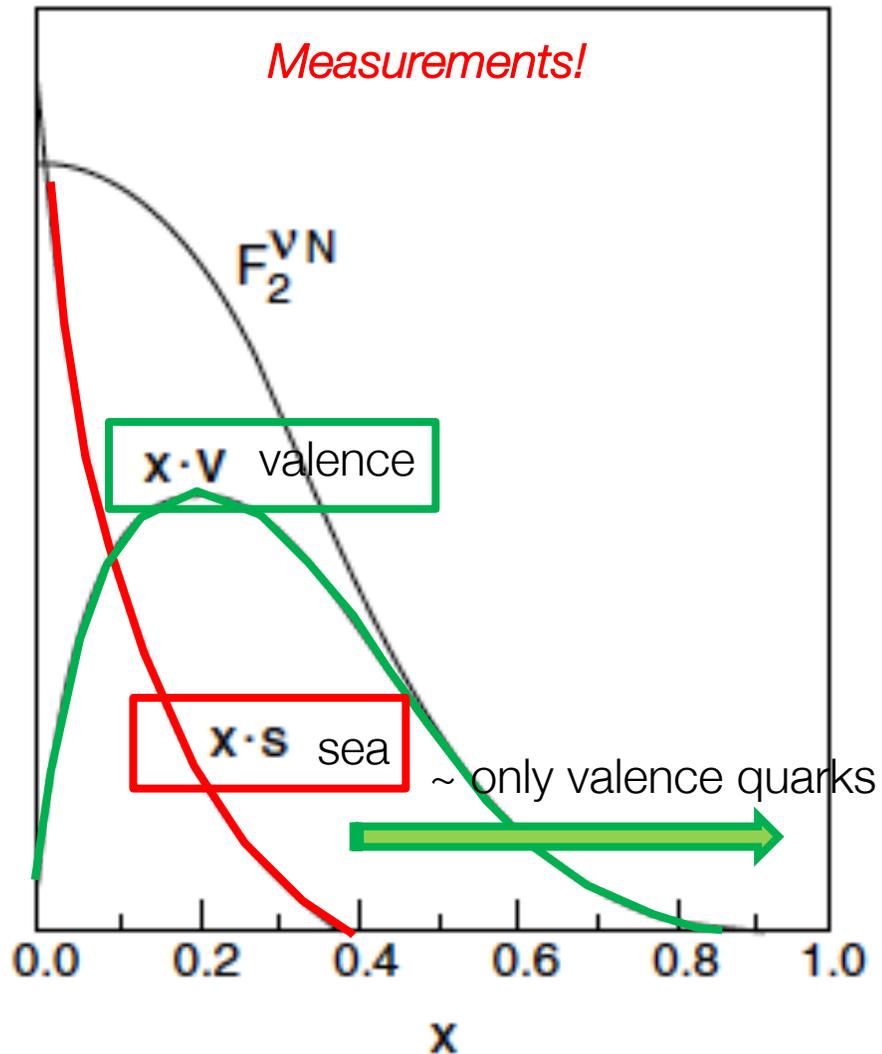
The mean free path in iron of 10GeV neutrinos is  $\lambda \approx 2.6 \cdot 10^9 \text{ Km}$  ( $\sim 20 \text{ cm}$  for hadrons!). This means that only a very small fraction  $3 \cdot 10^{-13}$  of 10 GeV neutrinos interact in a meter of iron. With a flux of  $10^{12}$  neutrinos (for  $10^{13}$  accelerated protons incident on the target), there are only 0.3 interactions in one meter of iron.

→ very long and massive detectors





# $F_2^{\nu N}$ from Neutrino-Nucleon Scattering



- Neutrino scattering gives complementary information about the quark distribution.
- Neutrinos couple to the weak charge of the quarks via the weak interaction.
- In neutrino scattering you distinguish between (spin  $\rightarrow$  helicity conservation  $\rightarrow$  different angular distributions)
  - types of quarks,
  - quarks and antiquarks.
- sea quarks contribute to  $F_2$  only at small values of  $x$ ;  $\sim 0$  above  $x \approx 0.35$ .
- valence quarks  $F_2$  maximum at  $x \approx 0.2$  and  $\sim 0$  for  $x \rightarrow 1$  and  $x \rightarrow 0$ .

one quark alone  $\sim$  never carries the major part of the nucleon momentum.



# Structure Functions in the Parton Model: EM interactions

Structure Functions describe the internal structure of a nucleon. Let's say that

## Definitions

- A nucleon is made of quarks of type  $f$ ;
- Each quark carries a charge  $z_f \cdot e$ ;
- The **electro-magnetic** cross section for a scattering on a quark is  $|z_f \cdot e|^2$
- $q_f(x)$  is the probability  $f$ -quark carries a fraction of the nucleon momentum in the interval  $(x, x + dx)$  (similarly  $\bar{q}_f(x)$  for anti-quarks)
- There are two types of quarks:
  - **valence quarks**: they determine the quantum numbers of the nucleon
  - **sea quarks**, they exist in **pairs**, quark + anti-quark. They are produced and annihilated as virtual particles in the field of the strong interaction (as in the production of virtual electron-positron pairs in the Coulomb field)
- The nucleon also contains neutral components, **gluons**, with **NO CHARGE** and momentum distribution  $g(x)$

The Structure Function  $F_2(x)$  is the superposition of the momentum distributions carried by the quarks and weighted by  $x$  and  $z_f^2$

$$F_{2(x)} = x \cdot \sum z_f^2 \cdot (q_f(x) + \bar{q}_f(x))$$

*DIS* is not sensitive to gluons (gq interaction)



# The Structure of Hadrons: 'forward-1'

- deep inelastic scattering (DIS) → nucleon structure and information about the structure of the hadrons and the forces acting between them.
- By the mid-sixties a large number of apparently different hadrons were known.
- The quark model was invented to accommodate the 'zoo' of hadrons which had been discovered

		u	d	p (uud)	n (udd)
Charge	$z$	$+2/3$	$-1/3$	1	0
Isospin	$I$	1/2		1/2	
	$I_3$	$+1/2$	$-1/2$	$+1/2$	$-1/2$
Spin	$s$	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2

Quantum numbers of u, d quarks and of protons and neutrons

Use information from both

- deep inelastic scattering and
- spectroscopy to

extract the properties of the quarks.

*Idea: reconstruct the properties of the nucleons (charge, mass, magnetic moment, isospin, etc.) by combining the quantum numbers of these constituents.*



# Spin and Charge of Nucleons : 'forward-2'

		u	d	p (uud)	n (udd)
Charge	$z$	$+2/3$	$-1/3$	1	0
Isospin	$I$	1/2		1/2	
	$I_3$	$+1/2$	$-1/2$	$+1/2$	$-1/2$
Spin	$s$	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2

- The quarks have spin  $1/2$
- in the quark model, their spins must combine to give the total spin  $1/2$  of the nucleon  $\rightarrow$  nucleons are built up out of at least 3 quarks.
- The proton has two u-quarks and one d-quark
- The neutron has two d-quarks and one u-quark.

- u and d quarks form an isospin doublet, it is natural to assume that also the proton and the neutron form an isospin doublet ( $I = 1/2$ ) u-quark and d-quark can be exchanged (isospin symmetry)  $\rightarrow$  **proton**  $\leftrightarrow$  **neutron**.
- The fact that the charges of the quarks are multiples of  $1/3$  is derived by the fact that
  - the maximum positive charge in hadrons is two (e. g.,  $\Delta^{++}$ ). Generated by 3 u quarks  $\rightarrow$  charge  $+2e/3$
  - the maximum negative charge is one (e. g.,  $\Delta^-$ ). Generated by 3 d quarks  $-1e/3$

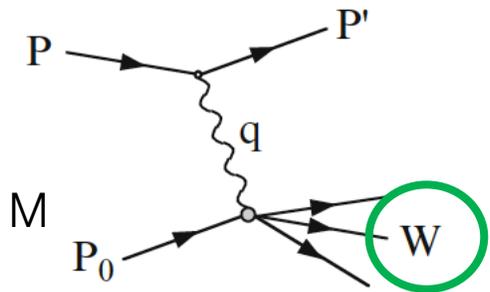


# One step back: Elaborating more on $F_2$ & $F_1$

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{point spin } 1/2} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{Mott}} \cdot \left[1 + 2\tau \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}\right] \quad \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2c^2}$$

Elastic scattering, one variable  
Spin 1/2 e on spin 1/2 point-like p

If the reaction  $\ell + N \rightarrow \ell' + X$  is inelastic  $\rightarrow$  the lepton scattering angle and energy are independent



$$W^2 = (P_0 + q)^2 = M^2 + q^2 + 2M\nu = M^2 - Q^2 + 2M\nu > M^2$$

(while in elastic scattering  $W^2 = M^2 \rightarrow Q^2 = 2M\nu \rightarrow \nu - \frac{Q^2}{2M} = 0$ )

$P = (E, \mathbf{p}); P' = (E', \mathbf{p}')$  for the incident and scattered electron  
 $P_0 = (M, 0); W = (E'_0, \mathbf{p}'_0)$  for the proton before and after impact.

$p$  at rest,  $M$  = proton mass;  
 $P_0^2 = M^2; P^2 = m_e^2;$

$$q = P - P' = (E - E', \mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}') = (\nu, \mathbf{q});$$

$$q^2 = 2m_e^2 - 2E'E + 2pp' \cos(\theta) \rightarrow m_e \sim 0; p \sim E \rightarrow$$

$$q^2 = -2E'E (1 - \cos \theta) = -4EE' \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$



# A bit of a calculation

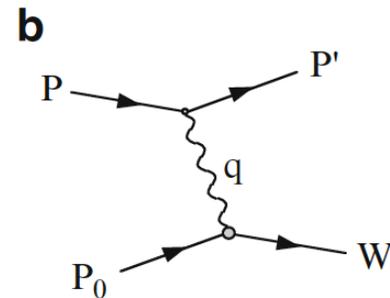
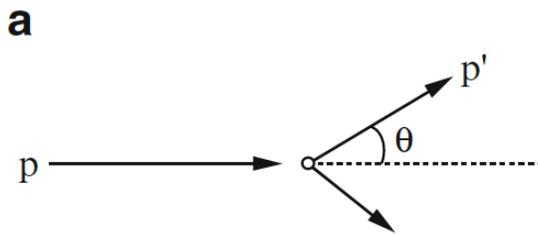
$$q = P - P' = (E - E', \mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}') = (v, \mathbf{q}) \quad (10.7)$$

and its square  $t = q^2$  is

$$\begin{aligned} t = q^2 &= (P' - P)^2 = (E'/c - E/c)^2 - (\mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{p})^2 \\ &\xrightarrow{c=1} 2m_e^2 - 2E'E + 2p'p \cos \theta. \end{aligned} \quad (10.8)$$

At high energy, the electron mass can be neglected ( $m_e = 0$ ,  $p \simeq E$ ), that is,

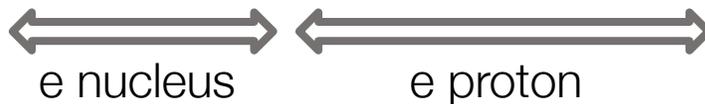
$$q^2 = -Q^2 \simeq -2EE'(1 - \cos \theta) = -4EE' \sin^2(\theta/2). \quad (10.9)$$





# Scattering of electrons on nucleus/proton

Calculation	electron		Target, charge Ze (Z=1 proton)					Expression
	electron	Electron with spin	Point-like target, infinite Mass	Point-like target with mass M	Point-like proton	Point-like proton with spin	Finite size proton with spin	
Rutherford	✓		✓					$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R = \frac{Z^2 e^4}{4E_0^2 (\sin \theta/2)^4}$
Mott		✓		✓				$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_R \cdot (\cos \frac{\theta}{2})^2$
$\sigma_{NS}$		✓			✓			$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{NS} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M \cdot 1 / \left(1 - \frac{2E_0}{M} \sin \theta/2^2\right)$
$\sigma$		✓				✓		$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M \cdot \left(1 + \frac{q^2}{2M^2} \tan \theta/2^2\right)$
Rosenbluth		✓					✓	$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_M \cdot \left[ \frac{G_E^2(Q^2) + \tau \cdot G_M^2(Q^2)}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2(Q^2) \tan \theta/2^2 \right]$





# One step back: Elaborating more on $F_2$ & $F_1$

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{point spin } 1/2} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{Mott}} \cdot \left[1 + 2\tau \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}\right] \quad \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2c^2}$$

Elastic scattering, one variable  
Spin 1/2 e on spin 1/2 proton

Condition for DIS:  $Q^2 \gg M^2$ ;  $\nu = E - E' \gg M$ .

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{Mott}}^* \left[W_2(Q^2, \nu) + 2W_1(Q^2, \nu) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}\right]$$

Inelastic scattering, two variables

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dQ^2 d\nu} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \frac{E'}{E} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \left(W_2(Q^2, \nu) + W_1(Q^2, \nu) 2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

Mott\*

Mott\* includes also the (small) recoil of the proton  $\rightarrow E'/E$



# One step back: Elaborating more on $F_2$ & $F_1$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dQ^2 dv} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2 E'}{Q^4 E} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \left( W_2(Q^2, \nu) + W_1(Q^2, \nu) 2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

Mott\* includes also the (small) recoil of the proton  $\rightarrow E'/E$

What happens if we, taking into account that nucleon is made of quarks, interpret the DIS scattering as interaction of

Virtual photon with one quark?  
 Elastic scattering electron – quark (via photon exchange)?

Have to request that

the scattering is elastic:  $\rightarrow 2M\nu - Q^2 = 0$ .  
 Use the “quark mass”  $m$  instead of proton mass

DIS of point-like particles with nucleons (p or n)  $\rightarrow$  sum of elastic scattering on components (with mass  $m$ ) of nucleons

$$\left( \frac{d^2\sigma}{dQ^2 dv} \right)_{ela} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2 E'}{Q^4 E} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{Q^2}{4m^2} 2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \delta \left( \nu - \frac{Q^2}{2m} \right)$$

$\delta \rightarrow$  condition for elastic scattering, one variable



# $W_2$ and $W_1$

If we compare the two expressions

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{point spin } 1/2} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{Mott}} \cdot \left[1 + 2\tau \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}\right] \quad \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2 c^2}$$

**Elastic scattering**, one variable  
Spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  e on spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  point-like proton  
with finite mass

$$\left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{dQ^2 dv}\right)_{\text{ela}} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2 E'}{Q^4 E} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4m^2} 2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}\right) \delta\left(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2m}\right)$$

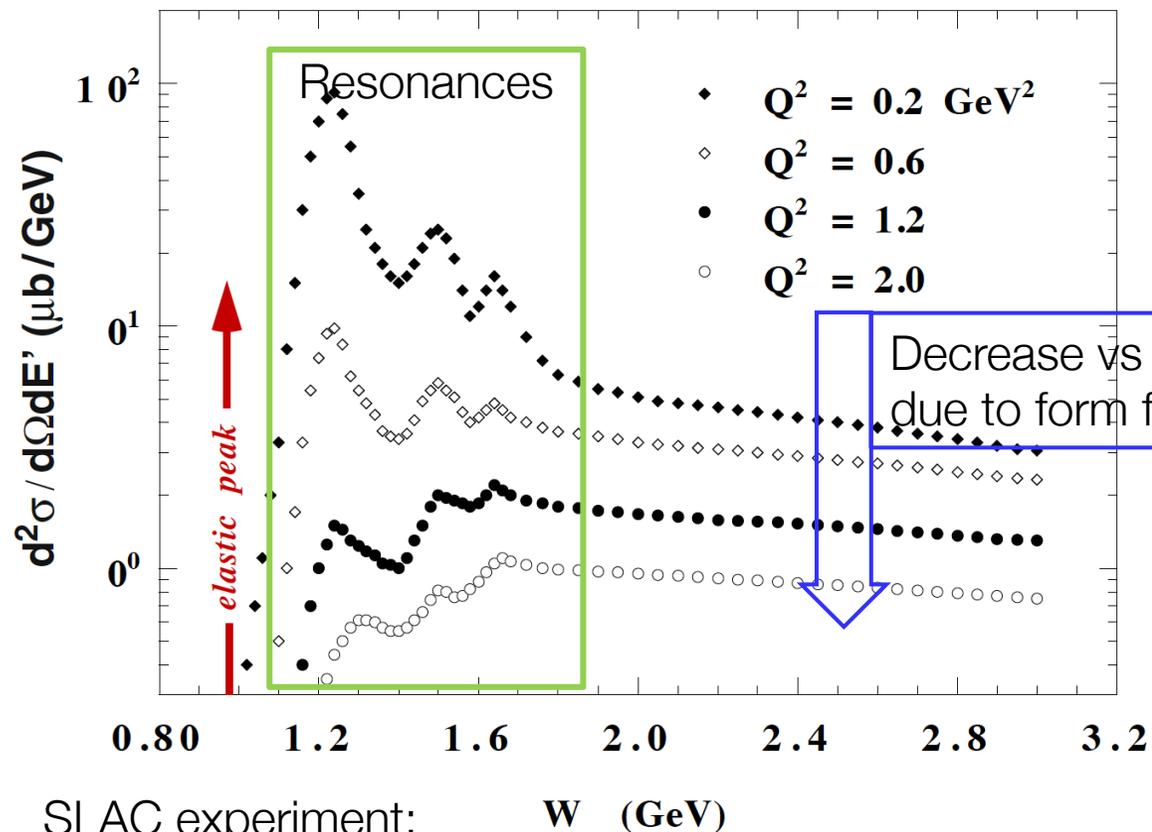
Replace  $M$  with  $m$ !  
Which physical meaning?

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dQ^2 dv} = \overset{\text{Mott}^*}{\frac{4\pi\alpha^2 E'}{Q^4 E} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \left(W_2(Q^2, \nu) + W_1(Q^2, \nu) 2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$W_2(Q^2, \nu) \rightarrow \delta\left(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2m}\right); \quad W_1(Q^2, \nu) \rightarrow \frac{Q^2}{4m^2} \delta\left(\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2m}\right)$$

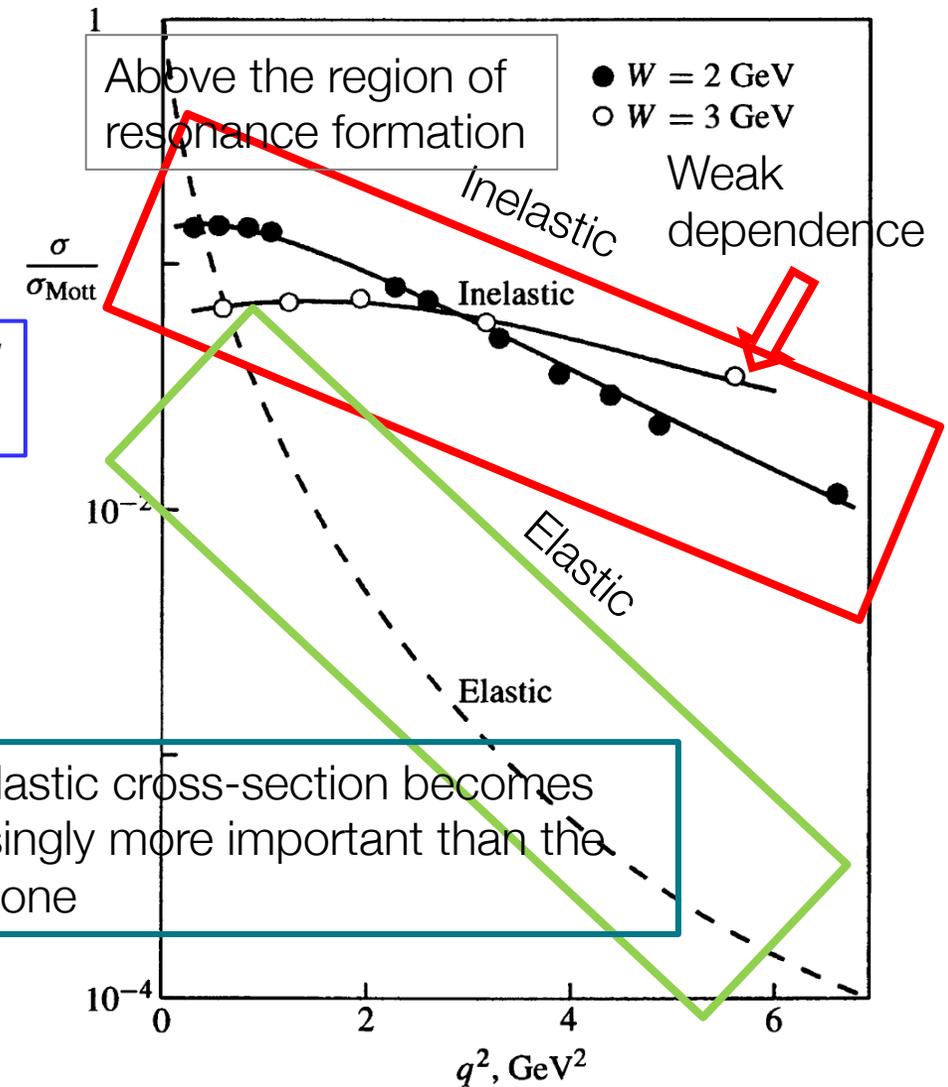


# The "x" scaling



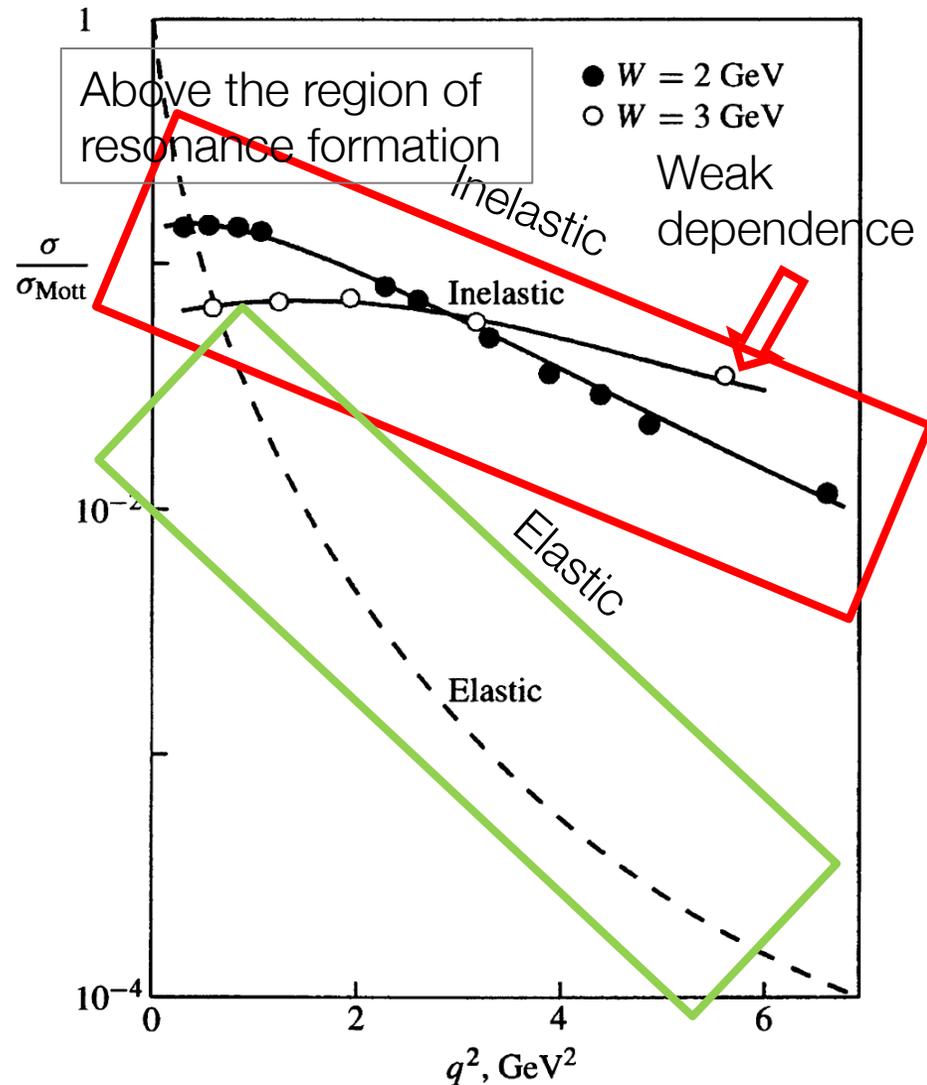
SLAC experiment:

- 20 GeV electron beam on hydrogen and deuterium
- The energy and direction of the scattered electron was measured
- $\rightarrow Q^2, \nu, W$  were measured





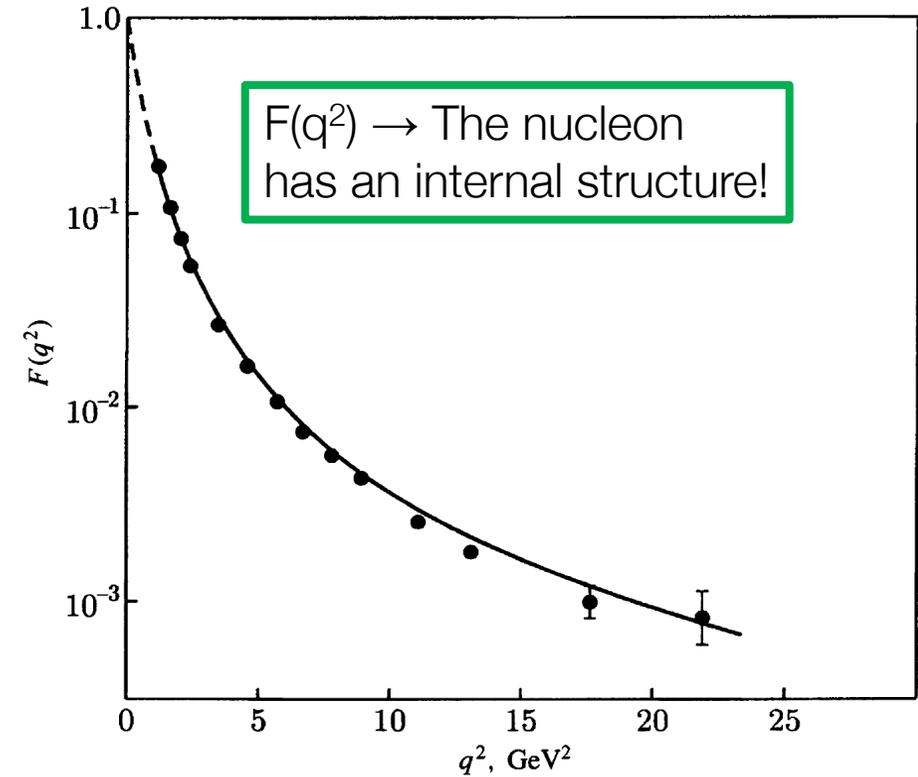
# The "x" scaling



The weak dependence indicates that the "quark" is a point-like object!

In the electron Nucleon scattering  $Q^2 \sim 0$  gives the largest cross-section (the electron sees all the charge)

In the parton picture, increasing  $Q^2$  doesn't change the cross-section: the quark is point-like!



the inelastic cross-section becomes increasingly more important than the elastic one



# Toward “x” ( $F_1$ and $F_2$ introduced earlier)

In late 60' Bjorken showed that in the 'DIS' region (in elastic region:  $\nu - \frac{Q^2}{2M} = 0$ )

$$Q^2 \gg M^2$$
$$\nu \gg M$$

the ratio

$$x = Q^2 / 2M\nu$$

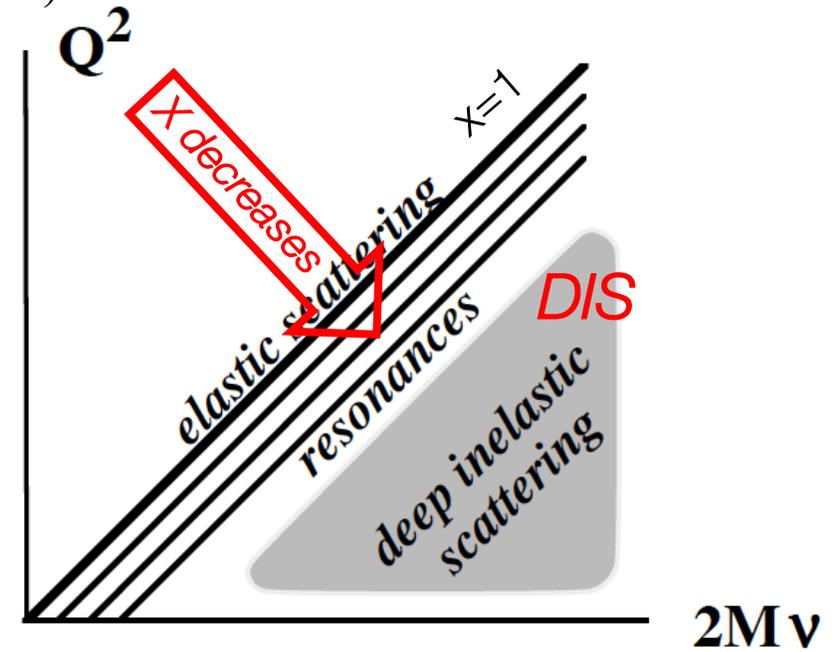
remains finite for

$$Q^2 \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } \nu \rightarrow \infty$$

- Two new functions:  $F_2 = \nu \cdot W_2$  and  $F_1 = M \cdot W_1$
- depend on a dimensionless variable  $x$  and not on  $Q^2$  and  $\nu$

$$\lim_{Q^2, \nu \rightarrow \infty} \nu W_2(Q^2, \nu) = F_2(x) \quad \lim_{Q^2, \nu \rightarrow \infty} M W_1(Q^2, \nu) = F_1(x)$$

Bjorken scaling



This hypothesis was

- derived in the assumption DIS consists of elastic lepton scattering on proton constituents  $\rightarrow Q^2 = 2m\nu \rightarrow$

$x = m/M$  can be seen as the fraction of nucleon mass carried by the parton

- experimentally tested in the years after using a 20 GeV electron beam on hydrogen and deuterium



# From $W_{1,2}$ to $F_{1,2}$ some calculation

We understand more if we use  $d^2\sigma/dQ^2dx$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dQ^2dx} = \frac{v}{x} \frac{d^2\sigma}{dQ^2dv} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \frac{E'}{E} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \left( v W_2(Q^2, v) + v W_1(Q^2, v) 2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \frac{E'}{E} \frac{1}{x} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \left( F_2(x) + \frac{v F_1(x)}{M} 2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

$$x = Q^2 / 2Mv \rightarrow dx/dv = Q^2 / v^2 2M = x/v$$

We also passed from  $F_1(x, Q^2)$  to  $F_1(x)$  → scaling assumption

$$F_1(x, Q^2) = M c^2 W_1(Q^2, v)$$

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = v W_2(Q^2, v).$$

multiply and divide  $F_1$  by  $2x \rightarrow \frac{2x v F_1}{2x M} \quad v = \frac{Q^2}{2Mx} \quad \frac{2x v F_1(x)}{2x M} = \frac{2x Q^2 F_1}{2x 2Mx M} = \frac{2x Q^2 F_1}{4M^2 x^2}$

$$= \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \frac{E'}{E} \frac{1}{x} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \left( F_2(x) + 2x F_1(x) \frac{Q^2}{4M^2 x^2} 2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right).$$



# From $W_{1,2}$ to $F_{1,2}$

$$= \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \frac{E'}{E} \frac{1}{x} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \left( F_2(x) + 2xF_1(x) \frac{Q^2}{4M^2x^2} 2 \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right).$$

$$\tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2c^2}$$

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right) = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{NS} \left[ 1 + \frac{q^2}{2M^2} \tan^2(\theta/2) \right] \text{ Spin } 1/2 \text{ particle}$$

$$x = Q^2 / 2Mv$$

$$M^2x^2 \rightarrow m^2$$

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_M = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_R (1 - \beta^2 \sin^2 \theta/2) \simeq \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_R \cos^2(\theta/2). \quad \text{Spin } 0 \text{ particle}$$

If we compare the expression with  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  with the elastic expression for  $e q$  scattering (2 point-like objects) spin 0 and spin 1/2 (with mass  $xM$ ) expression we conclude that

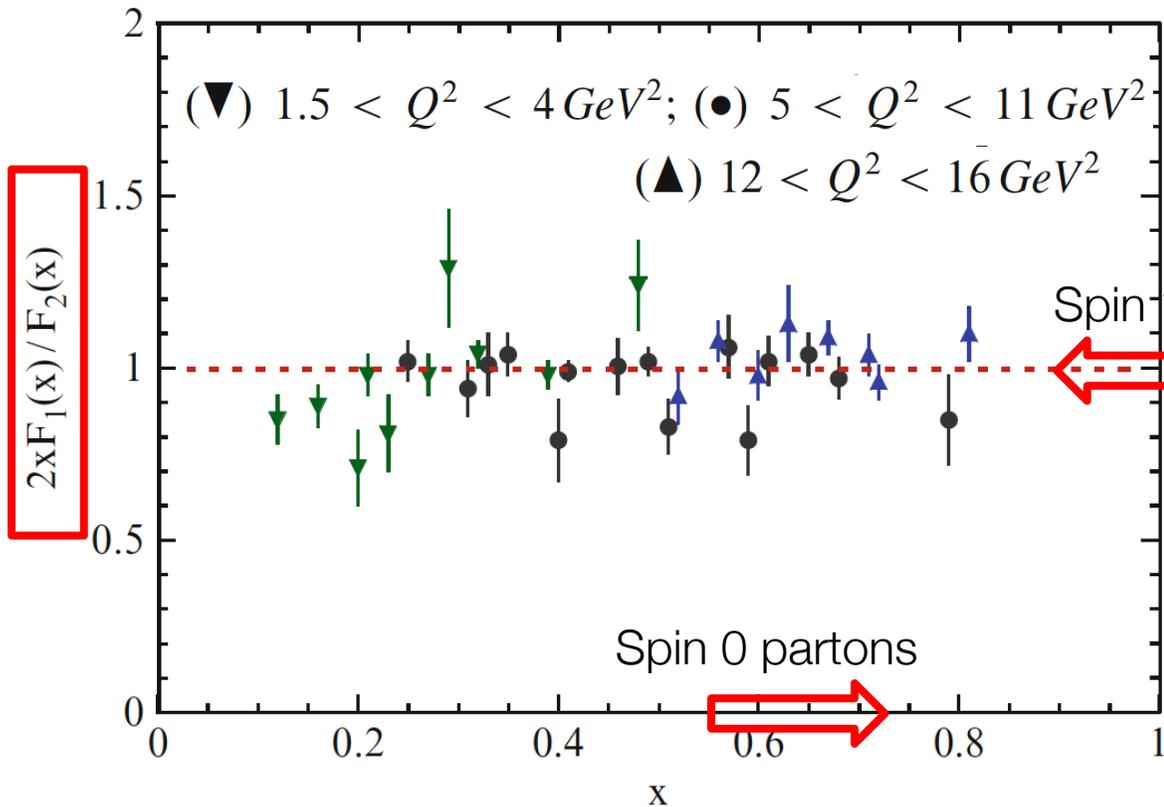


If we want to have the same expression for elastic scattering of a point-like electron on a point-like spin 1/2 quark

- $F_1 = 0$  for spin 0 particles and
- $F_2 = 2x F_1$  for spin 1/2 particles (Callan-Gross relation)

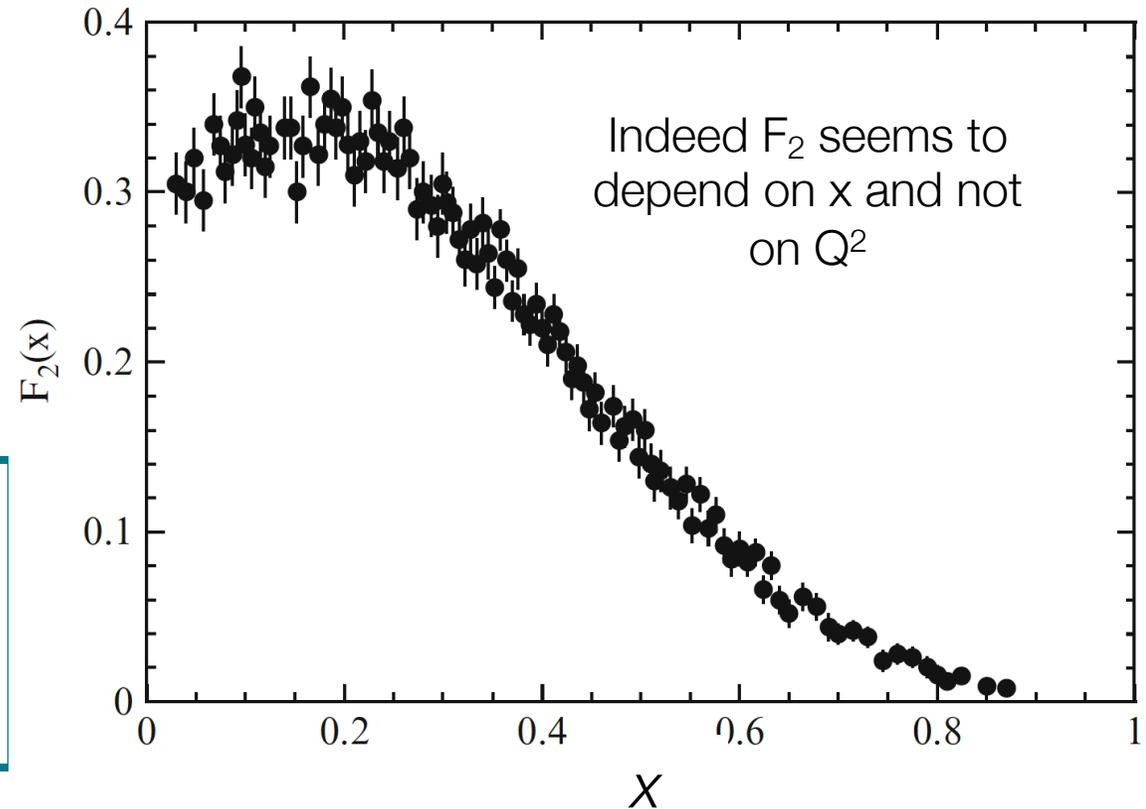


# The Callan-Gross relation



The Callan-Gross relation is found to be valid for different  $Q^2$  intervals

→ partons are spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  particles



- The hadron is made of point-like charged partons
- Partons are spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  objects
- Partons share a fraction  $x$  of the hadron 4-momentum
- The function  $F_2(x)$  represents the  $x$ -distribution of partons inside the hadron



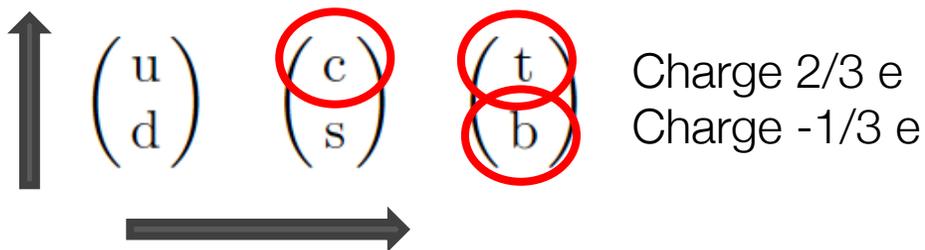
# Combining the Quarks (Recap!)

- Nucleons: three *valence quarks* determine the *quantum numbers*
- Virtual quark-antiquark pairs, (*sea quarks*) exist in the nucleon. Their *quantum numbers sum out to zero* and do not change those of the nucleon by three *valence quarks*
- *Sea quarks* carry a very small fractions  $x$  of the nucleon's momentum.
- There are not only “u” and “d” quarks but also s (strange ), c (charm ), b (bottom ) and t (top ). These heavy quarks contribute very little to the ‘sea’.
- Because of their *electrical charge*, *sea quarks* are “visible” in deep inelastic scattering.

The cross-section for electro-magnetic interactions is proportional charge<sup>2</sup>,  $e_k^2$

$$\implies F_2(x) = \sum_k e_k^2 \cdot x \cdot f_k(x).$$

- The six quark types can be arranged in doublets (called families or generations ), according to their increasing mass :



Pairs of  $q\bar{q}$  are continuously created and exist for a time  $\Delta t \cdot 2m_q < \hbar \rightarrow$  heavy quarks have ‘less time’ for creation  $\rightarrow$  contribute very little to Deep Inelastic Scattering at  $\sim$ low or moderate  $Q^2$  . They can be neglected



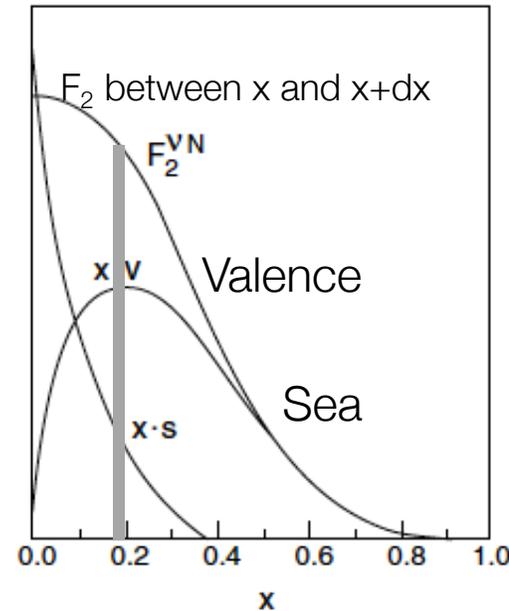
# Exploded View of the Proton & Neutron $F_2$

Call  $F_2^{e,p}$  and  $F_2^{e,n}$  the structure functions of of protons and neutrons respectively.  $d_s, \bar{d}_s$  the x-distribution of **d-valence quarks** and of anti-d x-distribution of **sea quarks** (similarly for other quarks)

$$F_2^{e,p}(x) = x \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{9} (d_V^p + d_s + \bar{d}_s) + \frac{4}{9} (u_V^p + u_s + \bar{u}_s) + \frac{1}{9} (s_s + \bar{s}_s) \right]$$

$$F_2^{e,n}(x) = x \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{9} (d_V^n + d_s + \bar{d}_s) + \frac{4}{9} (u_V^n + u_s + \bar{u}_s) + \frac{1}{9} (s_s + \bar{s}_s) \right]$$

Valence quarks  
Sea quarks



The proton and the neutron can be interchanged by exchanging d and u quarks (isospin symmetry)

$$u_V^p(x) = d_V^n(x),$$

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$$u_s^p(x) = d_s^p(x) = d_s^n(x) = u_s^n(x)$$

The proton has two u-quarks and one d-quark, the neutron has two d-quarks and one u-quark.

And the 'average' Nucleon structure function can be written as

$$F_2^{e,N}(x) = \frac{F_2^{e,p}(x) + F_2^{e,n}(x)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{5}{18} x \cdot \sum_{q=d,u} (q(x) + \bar{q}(x)) + \frac{1}{9} x \cdot [s_s(x) + \bar{s}_s(x)]$$

Term with sea quarks only  
→ negligible

5/18 is ~ the mean square charge of u + d quarks



# Comparing $F_2^{v,N}$ and $F_2^{e,N}$

- In deep inelastic *neutrino* scattering, the charge factors  $z_f^2$  are not present, as the *weak charge is the same for all quarks*.
- Because of charge conservation and helicity, neutrinos and antineutrinos couple differently to the different types of quarks and antiquarks. These differences, however, cancel out when the structure function of an average nucleon is considered. One then obtains:

e,N

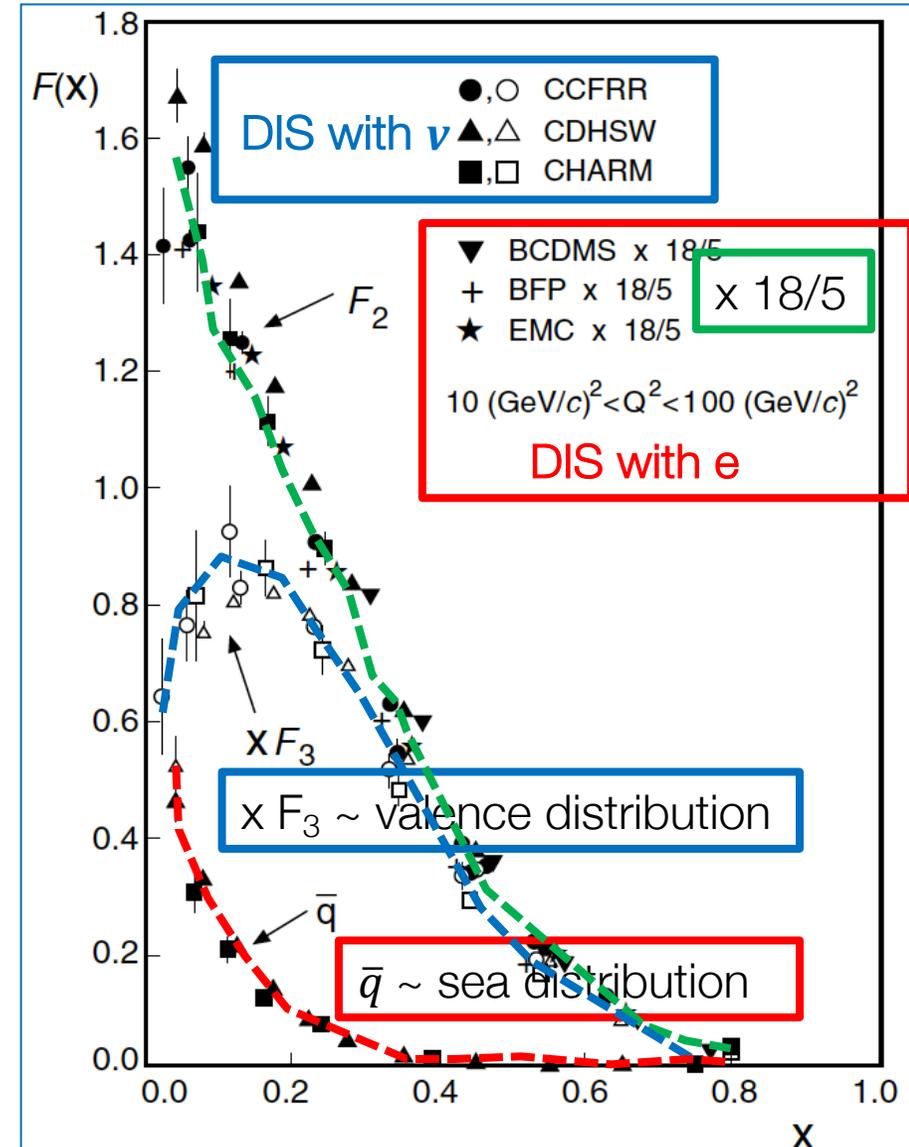
vN

$$F_2^{e,N}(x) = \frac{5}{18} x \cdot \sum_{q=d,u} (q(x) + \bar{q}(x))$$

$$F_2^{v,N}(x) = x \cdot \sum_f (q_f(x) + \bar{q}_f(x))$$

Experiments show that  $F_2^{v,N}$  and  $F_2^{e,N}$  are identical ((but for the factor 5/18 due to charge) → This means that the charge numbers +2/3 and -1/3 have been correctly attributed to the u- and d-quarks.

- Valence quarks peak at  $x \approx 0.17$  and an average value of  $\langle x_v \rangle \approx 0.12$
- Sea quark → low x values with an average value of  $\langle x_s \rangle \approx 0.04$





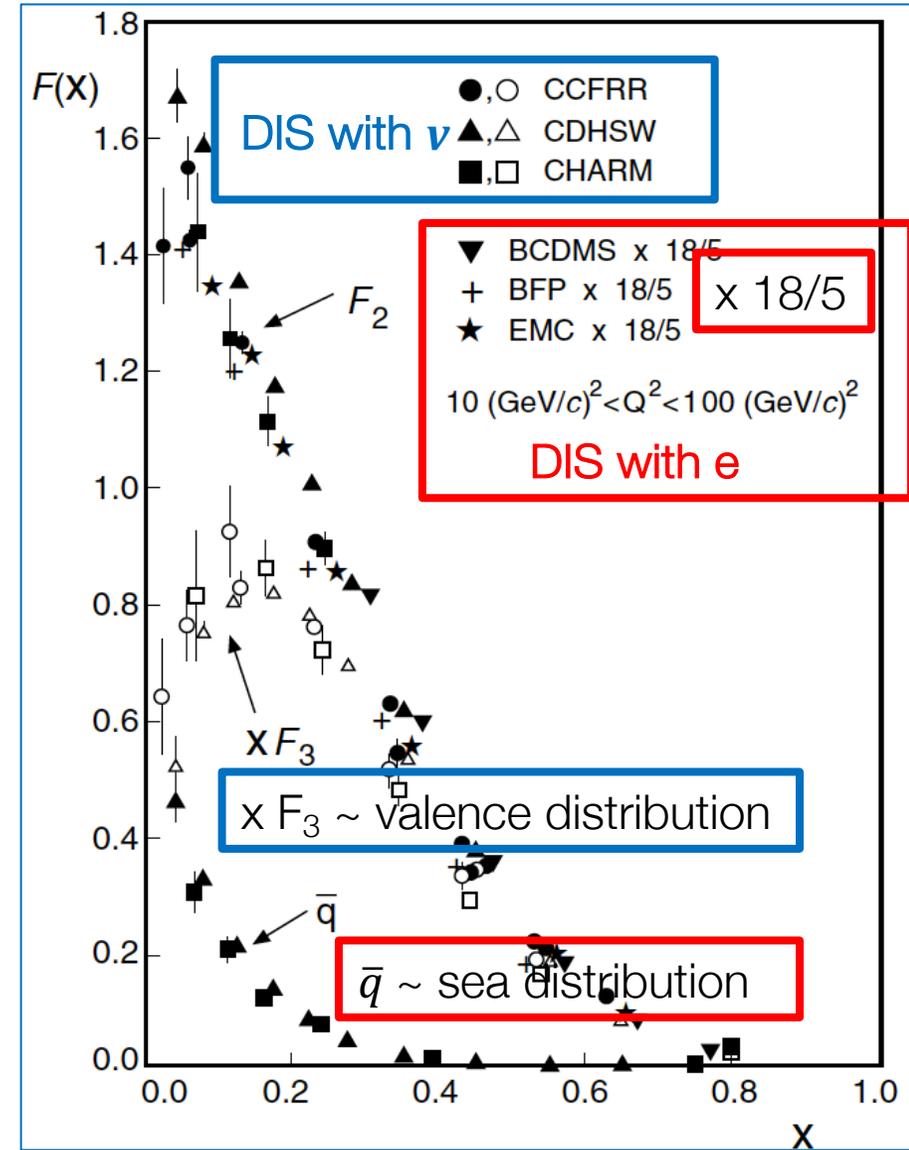
# Comparing $F_2^{\nu,N}$ and $F_2^{e,N}$

**WARNING!**

The integral of  $F_2^{\nu,N}$  and  $F_2^{e,N}$  gives about 0.5 → **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**: half of the momentum of a nucleon is carried by components that are NOT quarks

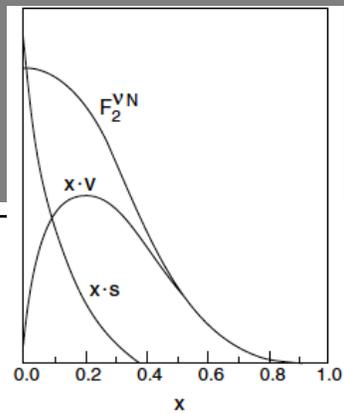
$$\int_0^1 F_2^{\nu,N}(x) dx \approx \frac{18}{5} \int_0^1 F_2^{e,N}(x) dx \approx 0.5$$

This component is not detected in  $F_2^{\nu,N}$  or  $F_2^{e,N}$ . This means it is sensible neither to electromagnetic interactions nor to weak interactions → *gluons*





# Looking at $F_2^n / F_2^p$



$$F_2^{e,N}(x) = \frac{F_2^{e,p}(x) + F_2^{e,n}(x)}{2} = \frac{5}{18} x \cdot \sum_{q=d,u} (q(x) + \bar{q}(x)) + \frac{1}{9} x \cdot [s_s(x) + \bar{s}_s(x)]$$

- $F_2^n / F_2^p \sim 1$  at very low  $x$ : few **valence quarks**. The ratio is sensitive to **sea quarks** expected to be equally present in protons and neutrons

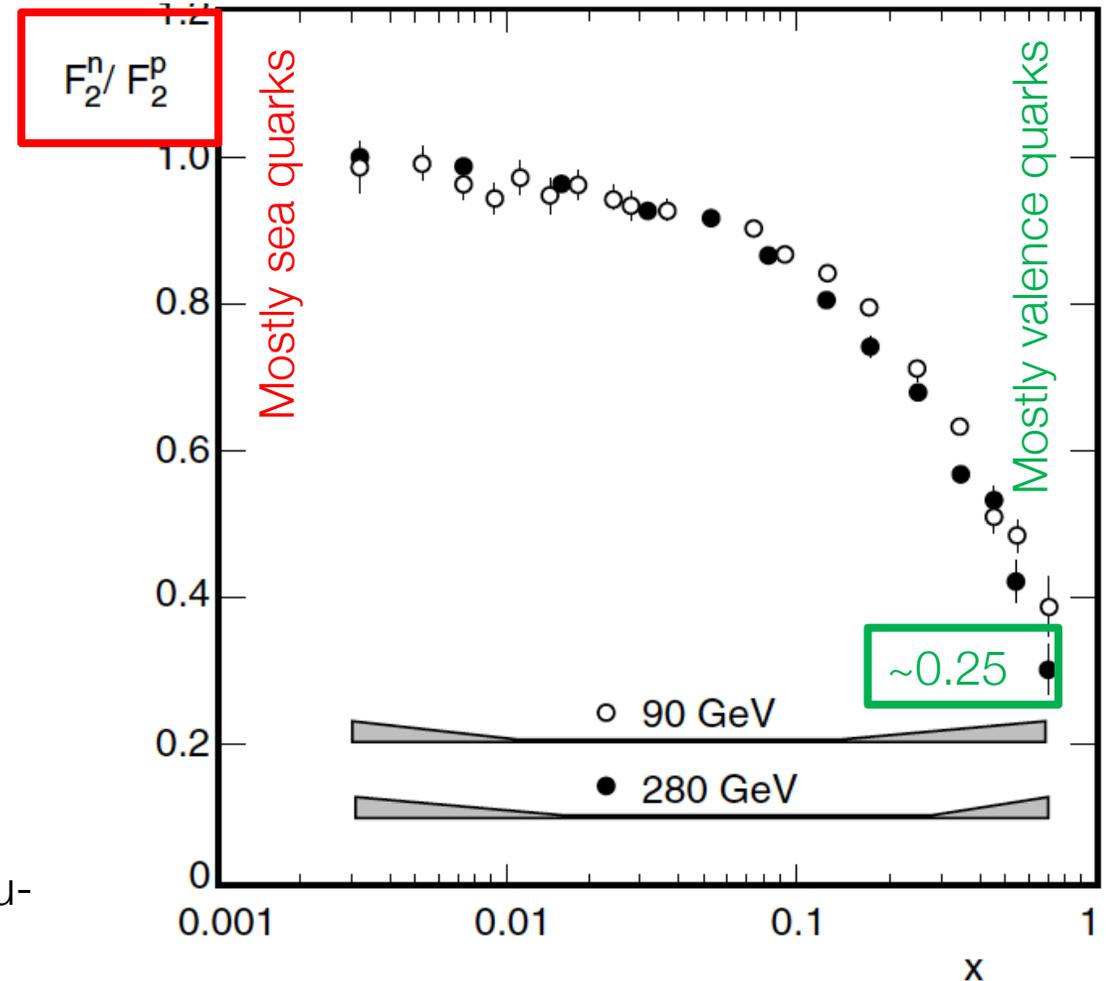
- $F_2^n / F_2^p$  at  $x \sim 1$  (mostly **valence quarks**) should be about  $(2z_d^2 + z_u^2) / (2z_u^2 + z_d^2) \approx \frac{2}{3}$  (neutron / proton), ratio of the square charges of the valence quarks of the neutron and proton

- It is found to be  $\sim 1/4 \sim (2/3)^2 / (1/3)^2$   $z_d, z_u$  charges

$$\frac{(2z_d^2 + \cancel{z_u^2})}{(2z_u^2 + \cancel{z_d^2})}$$

neutron      proton

- large momentum fractions in the proton are carried by u-quarks, and, in the neutron, by d-quarks.





# Constituent Quarks and their Masses

- valence and sea quarks carry  $\sim 1/2$  of the momentum of a nucleon.
- Nucleons can be constructed using only the valence quarks.
- *quarks are never free*  $\rightarrow$  *Quark masses cannot be measured.*
- Masses of 'bare' u and d quarks are (expected to be) small:  $m_u = 1.5 - 5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ ,  $m_d = 3 - 9 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ . These masses are commonly called *current quark masses*.
- "*constituent quarks*" masses: enlarged masses ( $\sim$ "incorporating sea & gluons") but unchanged quantum numbers.
- The *constituent quark masses* are much larger ( $300 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ ). The *constituent masses* must be mainly due
  - the electromagnetic interaction  $\rightarrow$  mass differences of a few MeV;
  - Additional effects must be due to differences between quark-quark interaction.

- It is often assumed that  $m_u \sim m_d \sim \text{few MeV}$  and  $m_s \sim m_u + 150 \text{ MeV}$ .
- The masses of heavier quarks are  $m_c \sim 1.550 \text{ MeV}$  and  $m_b \sim 4.300 \text{ MeV}$ .
- Hadrons and mesons made of the t quarks cannot be formed because the quark t is free for a very short time.

Quark	Colour	Electr. Charge	Mass [ $\text{MeV}/c^2$ ]	
			Bare Quark	Const. Quark
down	b, g, r	$-1/3$	3 - 9	$\approx 300$
up	b, g, r	$+2/3$	1.5 - 5	$\approx 300$
strange	b, g, r	$-1/3$	60 - 170	$\approx 450$
charm	b, g, r	$+2/3$	1 100 - 1 400	
bottom	b, g, r	$-1/3$	4 100 - 4 400	
top	b, g, r	$+2/3$	$168 \cdot 10^3 - 179 \cdot 10^3$	



# Quarks in Hadrons: Baryons and Mesons

Hadrons can be classified in two groups:

1. the baryons , fermions with half-integral spin
2. the mesons, bosons with integral spin.

## Baryons.

- Like the proton and neutron, other baryons are also composed of three quarks.
- Since quarks have spin  $1/2$ , baryons have half-integral spin.
- # baryons = # antibaryons are produced in particle interactions.
- baryon number  $B$ , = 1 for baryons and  $B = -1$  for antibaryons. ( $\rightarrow B = +1/3$  for quarks,  $B = -1/3$  for antiquarks.
- Experiments indicate that baryon number is conserved in all particle reactions and decays.
- The quark minus antiquark number is conserved.
- This would be violated by, e. g., the hypothetical **decay of the proton:  $p \rightarrow \pi^0 + e^+$**  . Without baryon number conservation this decay mode would be energetically favoured. Yet, it has not been observed.



# Quarks in Hadrons: Baryons and Mesons

## Mesons.

- Pions are the lightest hadrons  $\sim 140 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ .
- They are found in three different charge states:  $\pi^-$ ,  $\pi^0$  and  $\pi^+$ .
- Pions have spin 0. It is, therefore, natural to assume that they are composed of a quark and an antiquark: this is the only way to build the three charge states out of quarks.

$$|\pi^+\rangle = |u\bar{d}\rangle \quad |\pi^-\rangle = |d\bar{u}\rangle \quad |\pi^0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}\rangle$$

- The pions are the lightest systems of quarks. Hence, they can only decay into the even lighter leptons or into photons.
- The pion mass is considerably smaller than the constituent quark mass  $\rightarrow$  the interquark interaction energy has a substantial effect on hadron masses.
- The total angular momentum = vector sum of the quark, antiquark spins, integer orbital angular momentum contribution.
- Mesons eventually decay into electrons, neutrinos and/or photons; **there is no “meson number conservation** (the number of quarks minus the number of antiquarks is zero)  $\rightarrow$  any number of mesons may be produced or annihilated.



# Coloured Quarks and Coloured Gluons

We MUST introduce another important property called **colour**: needed to satisfy the Pauli principle.

## $\Delta^{++}$ resonance (baryon!)

- It is made of three u-quarks, has spin  $J = 3/2$  and positive parity; it is the lightest baryon with  $J^P = 3/2^+ \rightarrow$  we therefore can assume that its orbital angular momentum is  $= 0$ ;
- it has a symmetric spatial wave function. In order to yield total angular momentum  $3/2$ , the spins of all three quarks have to be parallel:  $\Delta^{++} = |u^\uparrow u^\uparrow u^\uparrow\rangle$
- Thus, the spin wave function is also symmetric.
- The wave function of this system is furthermore symmetric under the interchange of any two quarks, as only quarks of the same flavour are present.
- The total wave function is symmetric, in violation of the Pauli principle.

*To fulfil the Pauli principle the colour, a kind of quark charge, has to be introduced  $\rightarrow$  distinguish quarks!*

HP: Colour can assume three values: red, blue and green. (confirmed by data)  
antiquarks carry the anti-colours anti-red, anti-blue, and anti-green.

The strong interaction binds quarks into a hadron  $\rightarrow$  mediated by force carriers  $\rightarrow$  gluons.  
... And gluons? Do they carry colour?



# Gluons and the QCD

The gluons carry simultaneously colour and anti-colour

→ 3 colors x 3 anti-colors → 9 combinations.

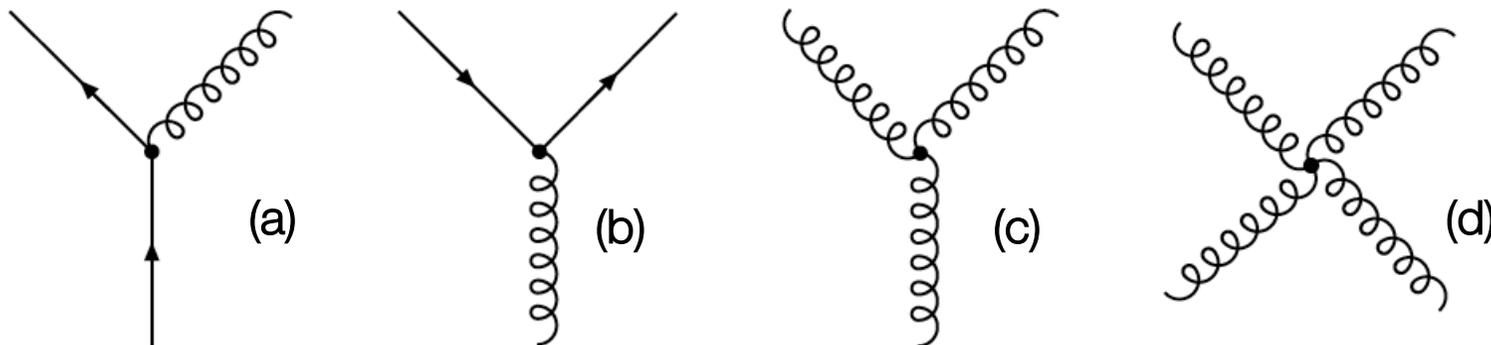
Colour forms combinations that may be organised in multiplets of states: a singlet and an octet. One possible choice is (others exist):

Octet	$r\bar{g}, r\bar{b}, g\bar{b}, g\bar{r}, b\bar{r}, b\bar{g}, \sqrt{1/2}(r\bar{r} - g\bar{g}), \sqrt{1/6}(r\bar{r} + g\bar{g} - 2b\bar{b})$
Singlet	$\sqrt{1/3}(r\bar{r} + g\bar{g} + b\bar{b})$ Net colour of singlet = 0 → does not mediate QCD

Exchange of the eight gluons mediate the interaction between particles carrying colour charge:

Between quarks but also between gluons.

→ This is an important difference to the electromagnetic interaction, where the photon has no charge, → cannot interact with each other.



The fundamental interaction diagrams of the strong interaction: emission of a gluon by a quark (a), splitting of a gluon into a quark–antiquark pair (b) and “self-coupling” of gluons (c, d).



# Colour Carriers

	Quarks	Anti-quarks	Gluon	Photon
Charge	✓	✓		
Colour	✓	✓	✓	



# Hadrons and the Colour-Neutrality

In principle each hadron might exist in many different colours (the colours of the constituent quarks involved), would

- have different total (net) colours
- but would be equal in all other respects.

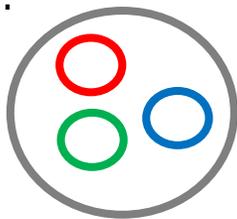
In practice only one type of each hadron is observed (one  $\pi^-$ ,  $p$ ,  $\Delta^0$  etc.)

*additional condition: only colourless particles can exist as free particles* →

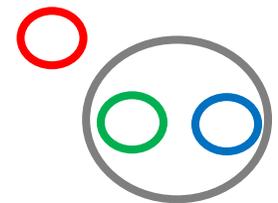
*Hadrons as colour-neutral objects.*

- colour + anti-colour = “white” = white objects!
- Three different colours = “white” as well.

➤ This is why quarks are not observed as free particles. Breaking one hadron into quarks would produce at least two objects carrying colour: the quark, and the rest of the hadron. This would be a violation of the hadron colour-neutrality.



*This phenomenon is called confinement.*

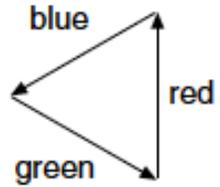
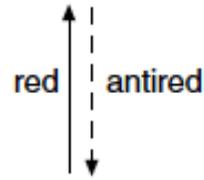
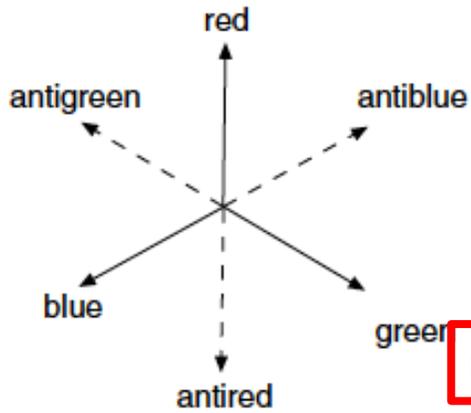


This implies that the potential acting on a quark increases with increasing separation  
→ in sharp contrast to the Coulomb potential.



# Colourless –White- Hadrons

Graphically: three vectors in a plane symbolising the three colours, rotated by 120°



$$|\pi^+\rangle = \begin{cases} |u_r \bar{d}_{\bar{r}}\rangle \\ |u_b \bar{d}_{\bar{b}}\rangle \\ |u_g \bar{d}_{\bar{g}}\rangle \end{cases}$$

The pion  $\pi^+$  is a superposition of these states

Combination of 2/3 colours giving white: colour+anti-colour or r+b+g

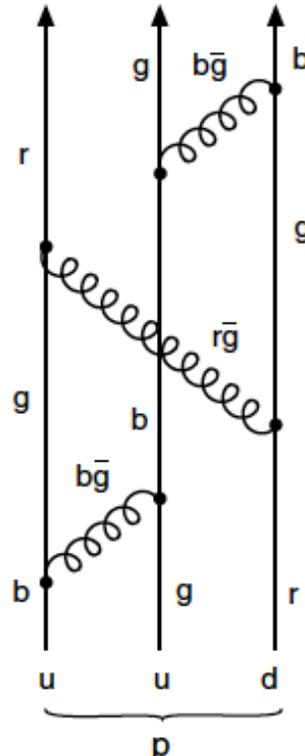
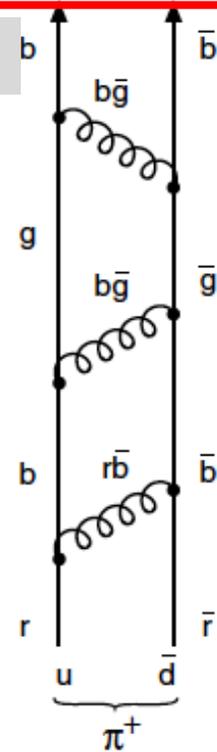
Gluons are not white: they carry colour and anti-colour

➤ Due to exchange of gluons the colour combination of hadrons continuously changes; but the net-colour “white” remains.

➤ to obtain a colour neutral baryon, each quark must have a different colour. The proton is a mixture of such states:

$$|p\rangle = \begin{cases} |u_b u_r d_g\rangle \\ |u_r u_g d_b\rangle \\ \vdots \end{cases}$$

➤ From this argument, it also becomes clear why no hadrons exist which are  $|qq\rangle$  or  $|qq\bar{q}\rangle$  combinations, or similar combinations. These states would not be colour neutral





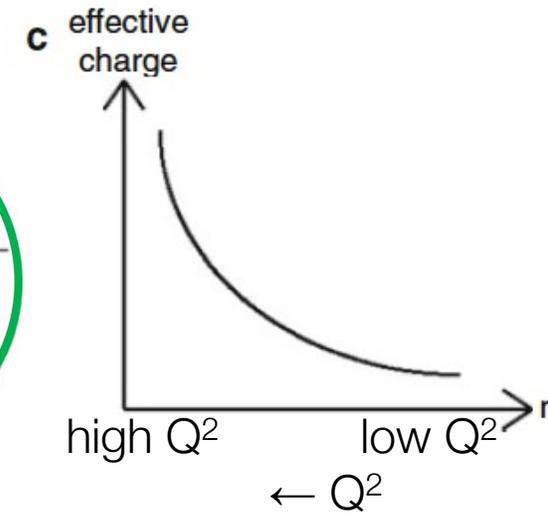
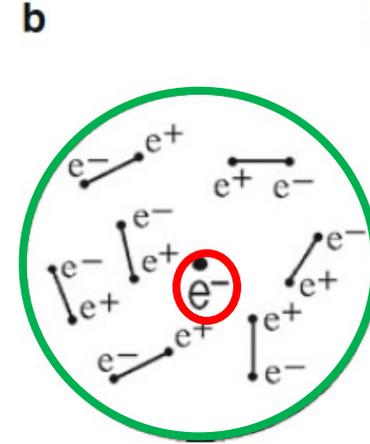
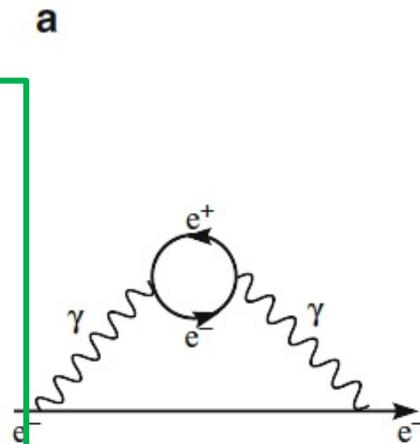
# QED: Running $\alpha(Q^2)$

$$\lambda = \frac{\hbar}{|q|} = \frac{\hbar}{\sqrt{Q^2}}$$

Virtual pairs of  $e^+e^-$  in  $em$  interactions have the effect of screening the real  $e^-$  charge.

At low  $Q^2$  is, the the distances between the interacting particles are large  $\rightarrow$

- the virtual photon sees a cloud of charges
- the effective charge of the interacting particles decreases:
- the coupling constant is (a bit) smaller (than for a 'naked' electron).



At high  $Q^2$  is, the the distances between the interacting particles are small  $\rightarrow$

- the virtual photon sees the **individual charge**
- the effective charge of the interacting particles increases:
- the coupling constant is large.

A parametrization describing the variation of  $\alpha$  with  $Q^2$  is given here and it is defined at a given scale  $\mu^2$ .

$$\alpha(m_e) = 1/137 \quad \alpha(m_Z) = 1/128$$

$$\alpha(Q^2) = \frac{\alpha(\mu^2)}{1 - \frac{\alpha(\mu^2)}{3\pi} \ln(Q^2/\mu^2)}$$



# The Running Coupling Constant $\alpha_s$

- The coupling “constant”  $\alpha_s$  describing the strength of the hadronic interaction between two particles depends on  $Q^2$ .
- While in the *em* interaction  $\alpha_{em}$  depends weakly on  $Q^2$ , in the strong interaction, however, it is stronger.

Why?

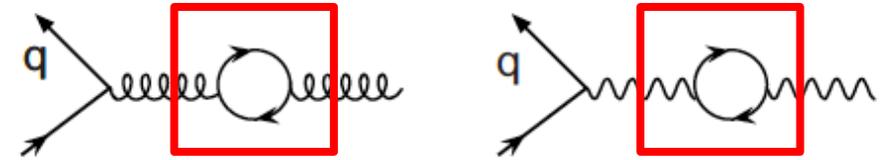
The fluctuation of the photon into a electron-positron pair  
and  
The fluctuation of the gluon into the quark-antiquark pair  
generate a

- repulsive force between two quarks of the same colour (same charge) and
- the attractive force between quarks with (opposite charge) colour and anticolour

Generates screening of the electric and strong charge.

QCD

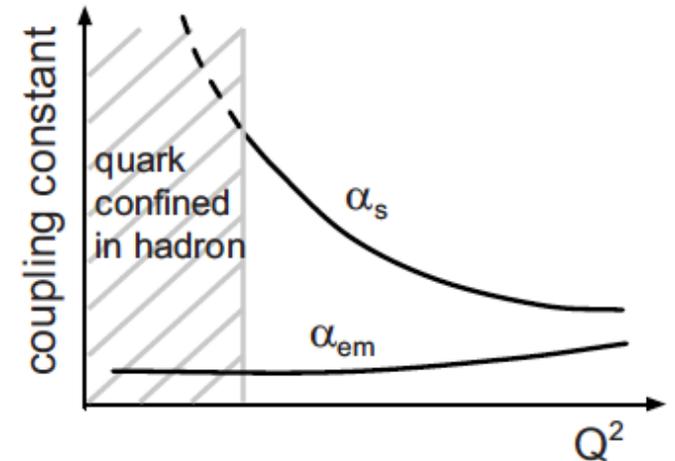
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Screening of em or strong charge



Same for QED and QCD ?





# The Running Coupling Constant $\alpha_s$

Gluons couple with gluons (photons do NOT couple to photons)!

Different colours may give rise to an attractive force if the quantum state is antisymmetric, and a repulsive force if it is symmetric under the interchange of quarks.

This means that the favourite state of three quarks is the state with three quarks of different colours,  $q_r q_b q_g$ , that is, the colourless state of baryons.

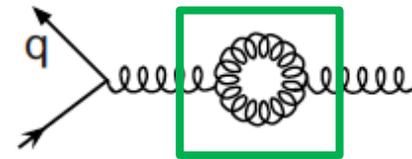
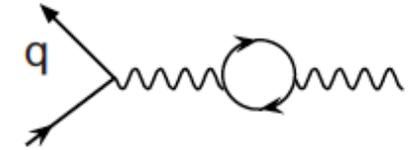
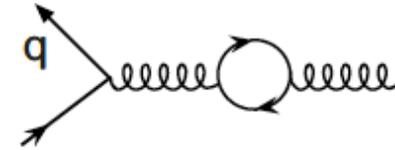
The higher  $Q^2$  is, the smaller are the distances between the interacting particles; effective charge of the interacting particles increases: the coupling constant increases.

Gluons can fluctuate into gluons  $\rightarrow$  this can be shown to give anti-screening. The closer the interacting particles are, the smaller is the charge they see.

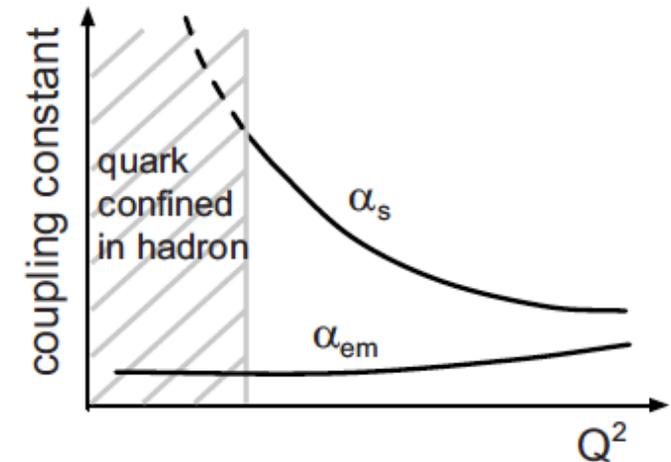
$\alpha_s$  decreases with increasing  $Q^2$ .

QCD

QED



Anti-Screening of strong charge



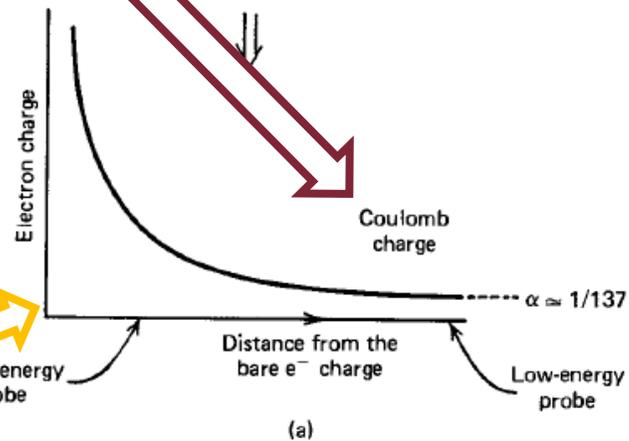
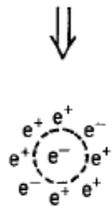
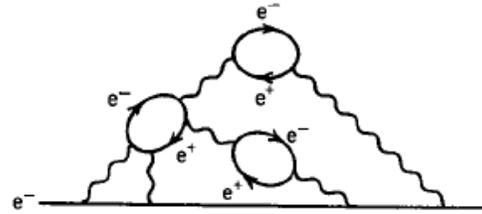


# Confinement and Asintotic Freedom

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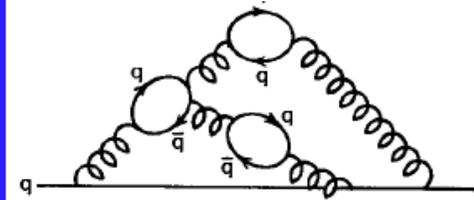
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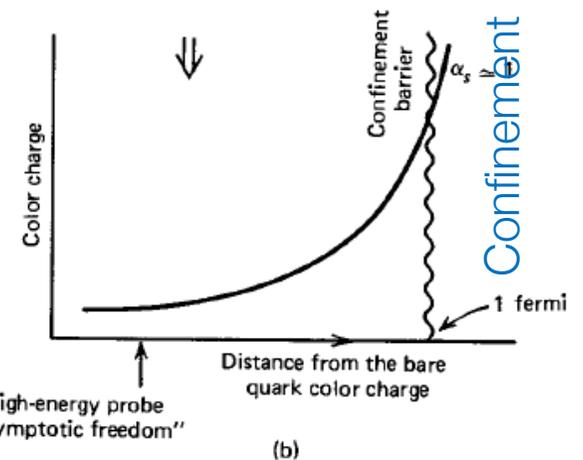
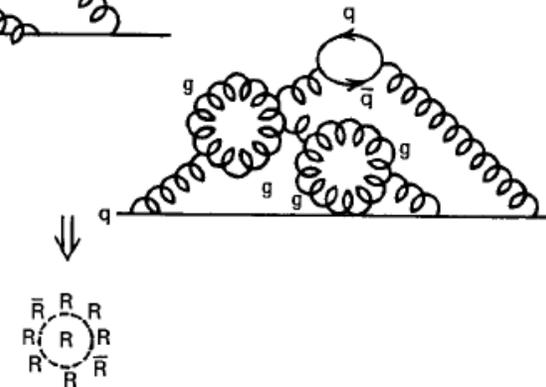
At high  $Q^2$  is, the the distances between the interacting particles are small  $\rightarrow$

- the virtual photon sees the individual charge
- the effective charge of the interacting particles increases:
- the coupling constant is large.

Quantum chromodynamics



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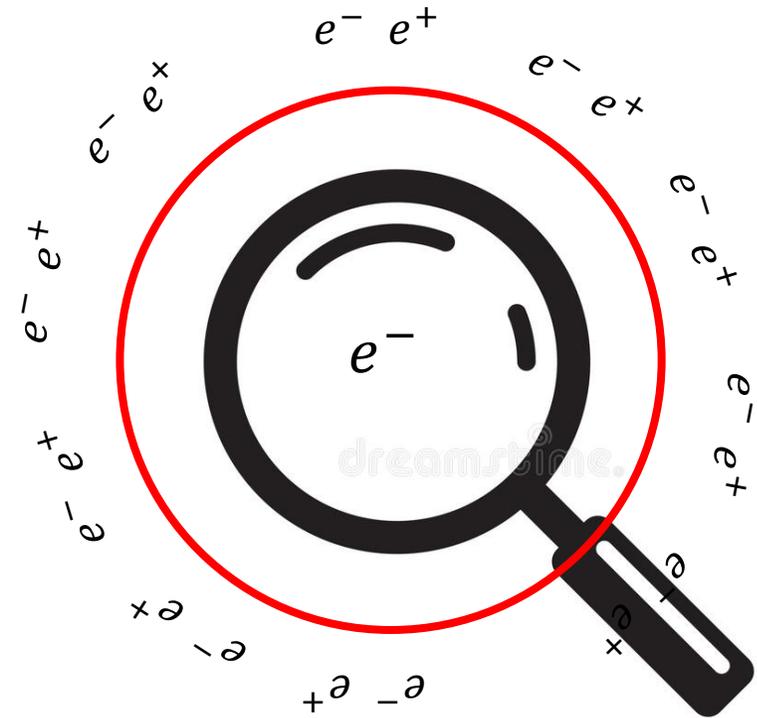
Asymptotic Freedom



# What a Photon Sees



Low  $q^2 \rightarrow$   
the bare charge is screened  $\rightarrow$   
screening



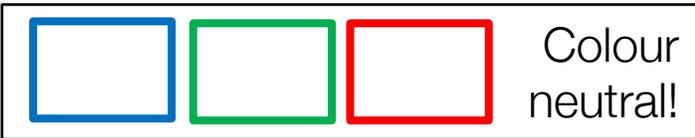
High  $q^2 \rightarrow$   
you see the bare charge



# Asymptotic Freedom and Confinement

In the case of gluons the anti-screening is far stronger than the screening. A first-order perturbation calculation in QCD gives:

$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{12\pi}{(33 - 2 \cdot n_f) \cdot \ln(Q^2/\Lambda^2)}$$



Colour neutral!

$n_f$  number of flavours that contribute to the interaction

$Q^2 \rightarrow$  separation among different components

$\Lambda$  parameter of the function determined from data

$$33 = 11 \times N_c$$

- A heavy  $q\bar{q}$  pair has a very short lifetime  $\rightarrow$  exists at very high  $Q^2$ .  $\rightarrow n_f$  varies between  $n_f \approx 3-6 \rightarrow$  when  $Q^2$  increases  $n_f$  increases too.
- The free parameter  $\Lambda$  (1 parameter!) is was found to be  $\Lambda \approx 250 \text{ MeV}/c$  by comparing the prediction and data.
- Perturbative expansion procedures in QCD are valid only if  $\alpha_s \ll 1$ . This is satisfied for  $Q^2 \gg \Lambda^2 \approx 0.06 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2$ .

The formula indicates two regions:

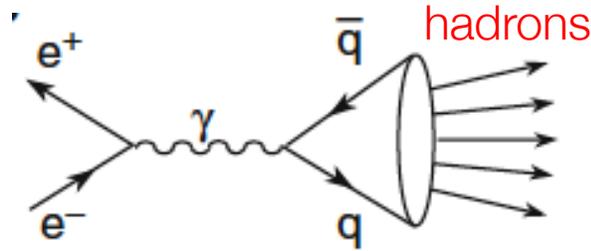
- For very small distances (high values of  $Q^2$ ) " $\alpha_s$  decreases, vanishing asymptotically. In the limit  $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$ , quarks can be considered "free", this is called **asymptotic freedom**.
- At large distances, (low values of  $Q^2$ )  $\alpha_s$  increases so strongly that it is impossible to separate individual quarks inside hadrons (**confinement**).



# Measuring (~Checking) the Number of Colours: “R”

Study the production of

- $q\bar{q}$  pairs and of
  - $\mu^+\mu^-$  pairs
- in  $e^+e^-$  interactions



The two cross-sections are due to the exchange of one photon and are described by the two expressions below

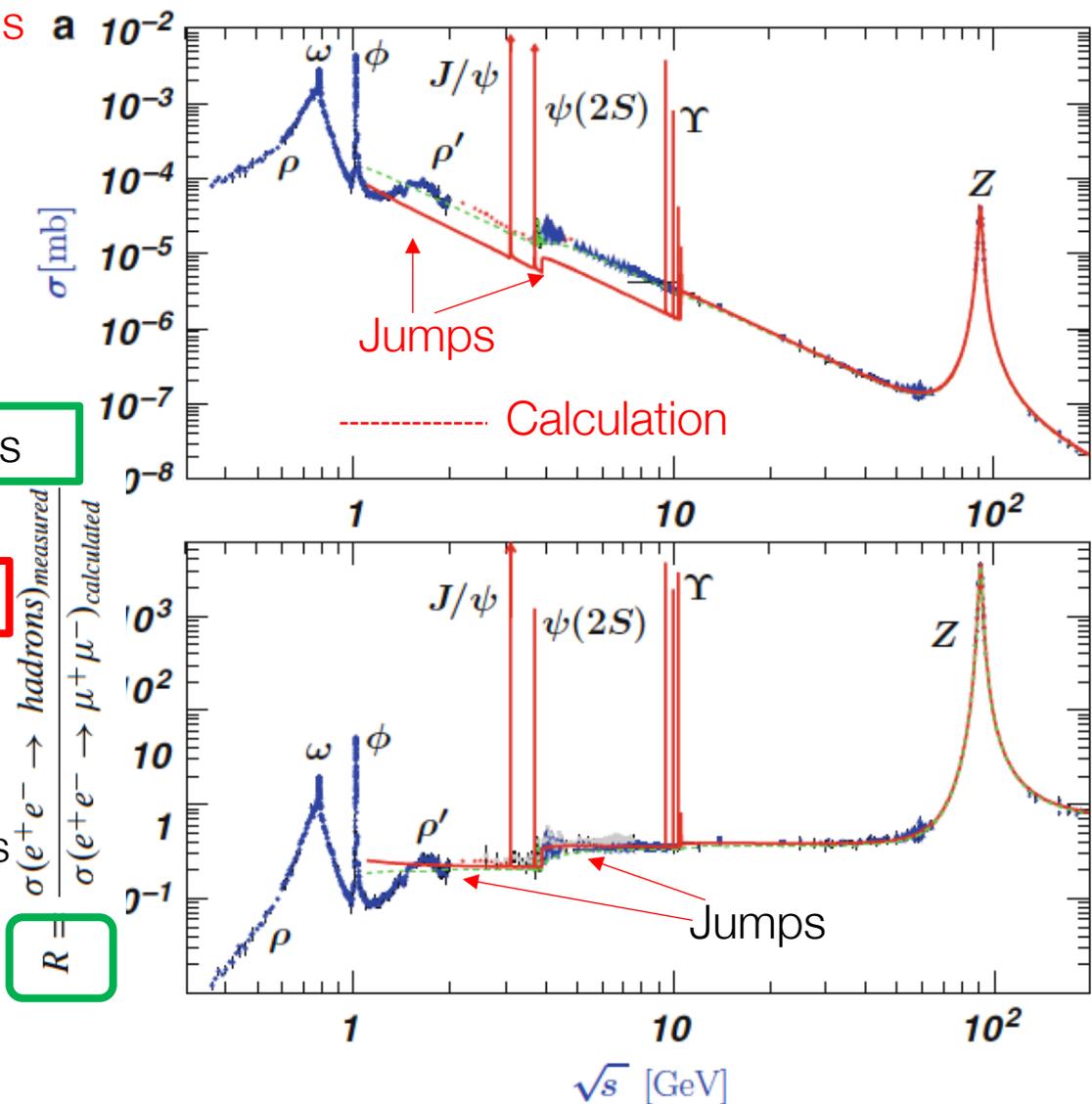
$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) = \frac{4\pi\alpha_{EM}^2 (\hbar c)^2}{3s} \quad N_f \text{ \# accessible quarks}$$

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma \rightarrow q\bar{q} \rightarrow \text{hadrons}) = N_C \frac{4\pi\alpha_{EM}^2 (\hbar c)^2}{3} \frac{1}{s} \sum_{n=1}^{N_f} Q_n^2$$

$Q_n^2$  charge of quarks involved

Jumps are understood with the opening of kinematical windows as soon as  $\sqrt{s} > m_q + m_{\bar{q}}$

A factor  $N_C = 3$  had to be introduced to account for the number of different coloured hadrons





# $F_2(x, Q^2)$ vs $Q^2$ and Scaling Violations

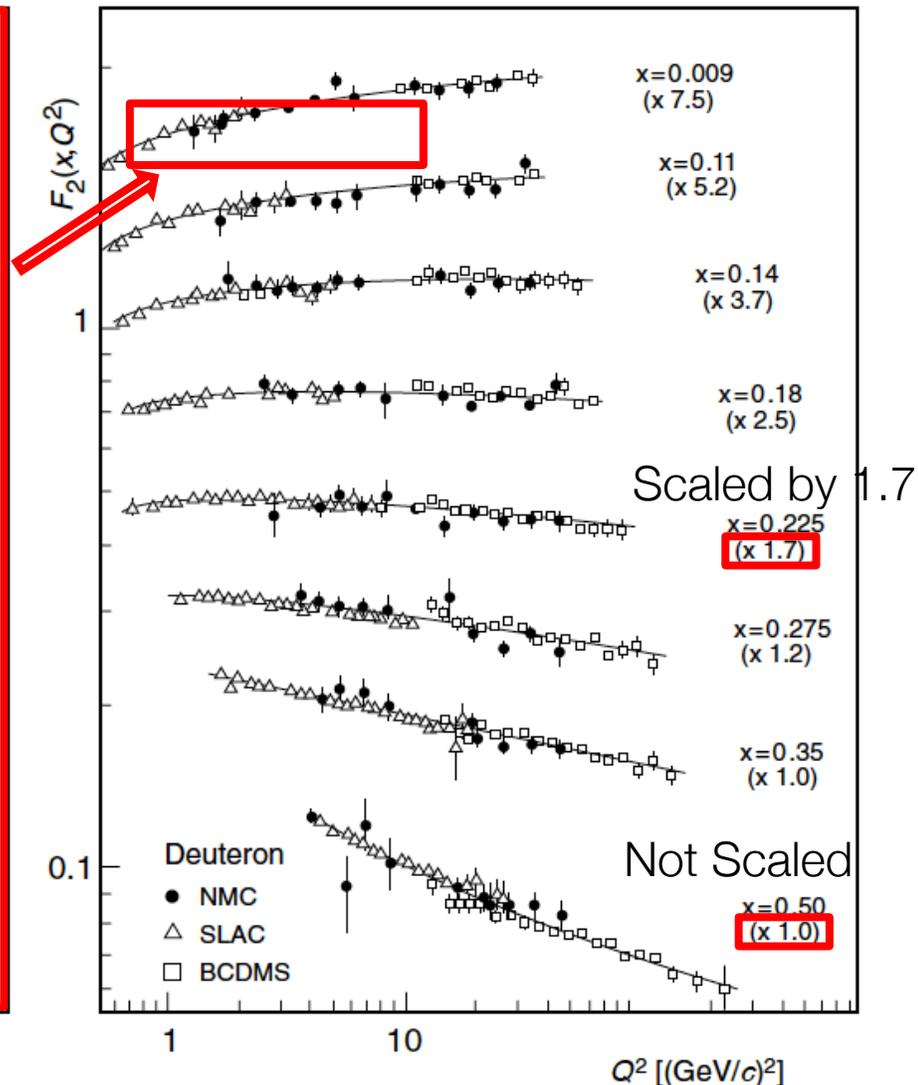
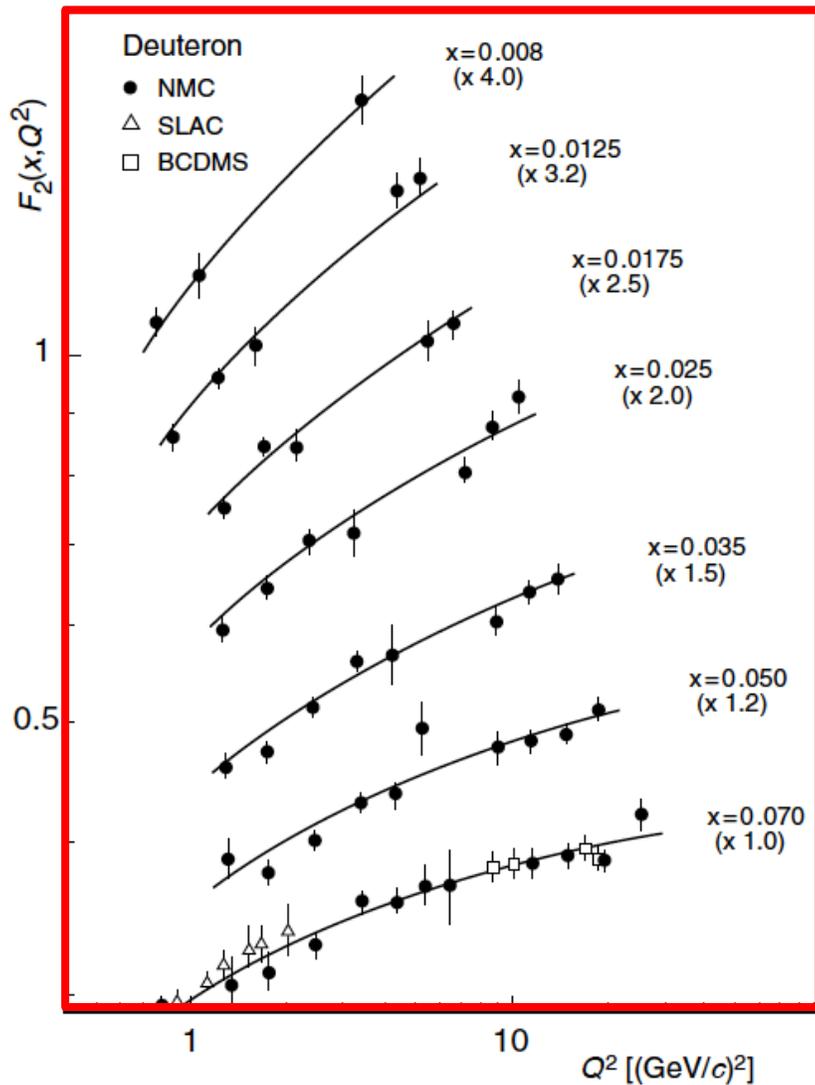
We showed that

*initial measurements*

of the structure function  $F_2$  depend only on the scaling variable  $x$  (*Bjorken scaling*).

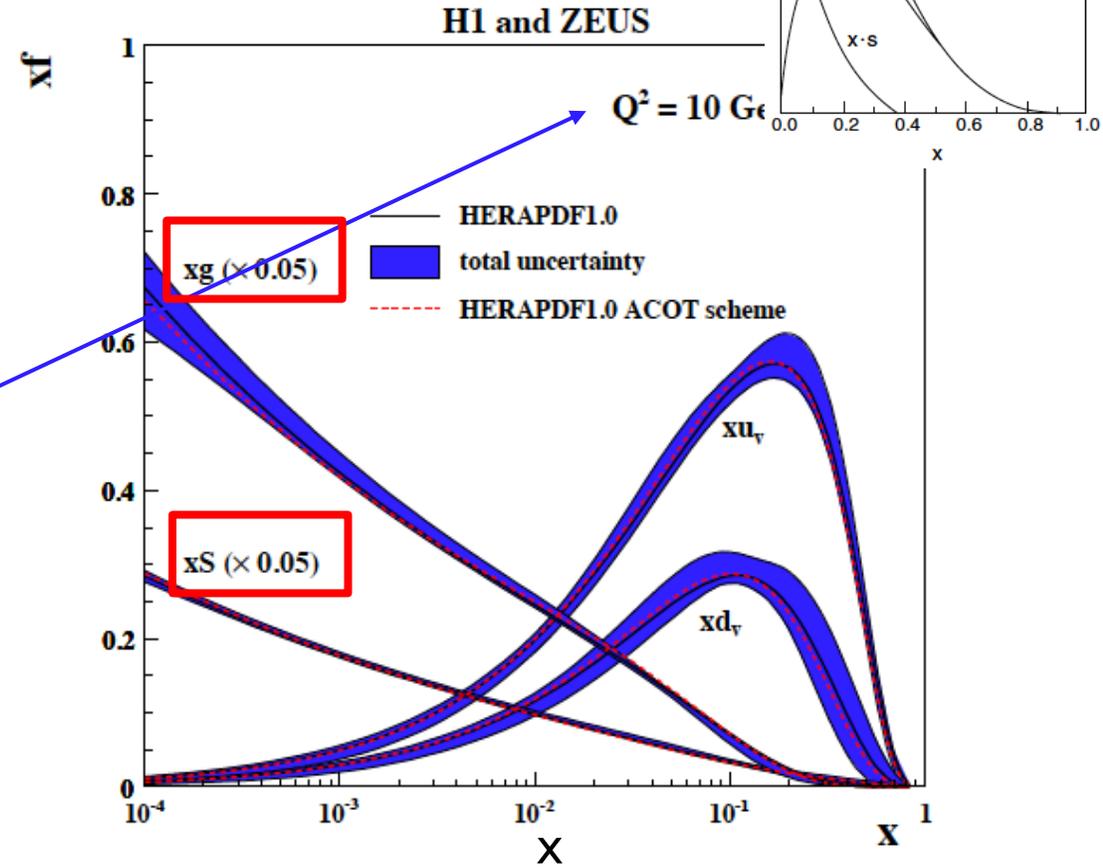
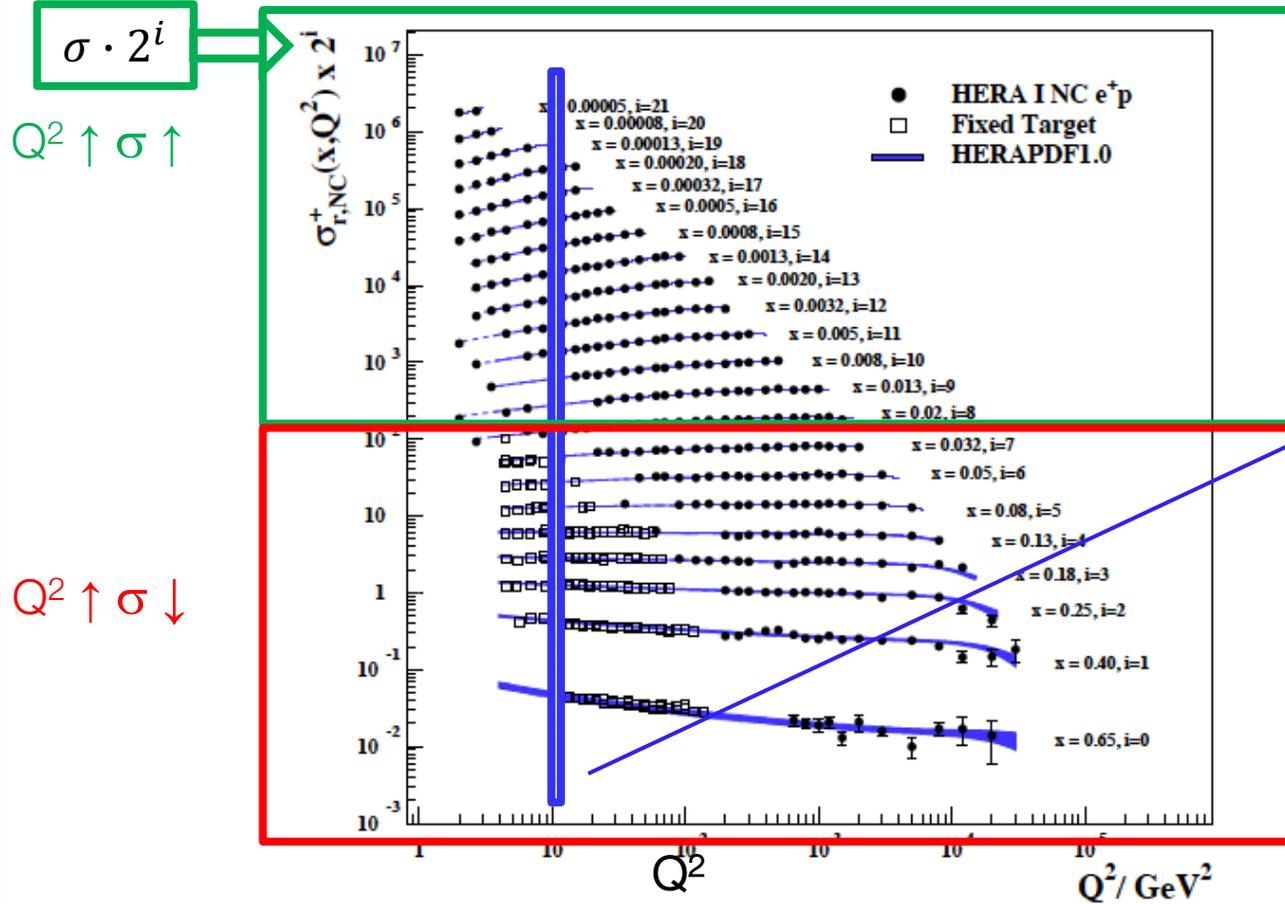
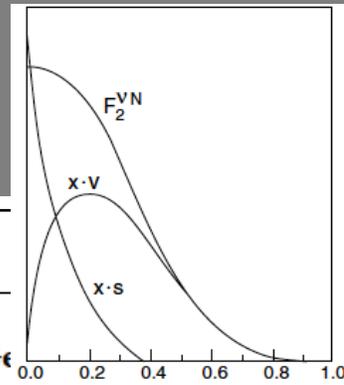
High precision measurements (and higher energies) showed that  $F_2$  does depend also on  $Q^2$  (but weakly).

Figure  $\rightarrow$  shows the experimental measurements of  $F_2$  as a function of  $Q^2$  at several fixed values of  $x$ .





# H1 and ZEUS Pdf's



On the left the HERA combined NC e+p reduced cross section and fixed-target data as a function of  $Q^2$ . The error bars indicate the total experimental uncertainty. *An analytic parametrisation is superimposed.*

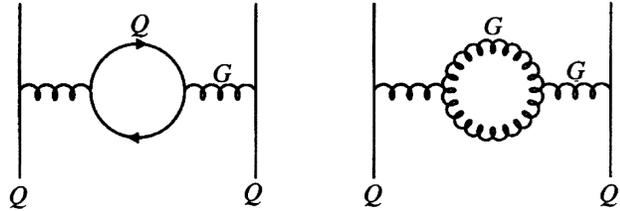
The data shows a large range of  $x$  and  $Q^2$ .

On the right  $x \cdot u_v, x \cdot d_v, x \cdot g, x \cdot s$  (bands are the total uncertainty of the fit).



# Scaling Violations in DIS

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2M\nu}$$



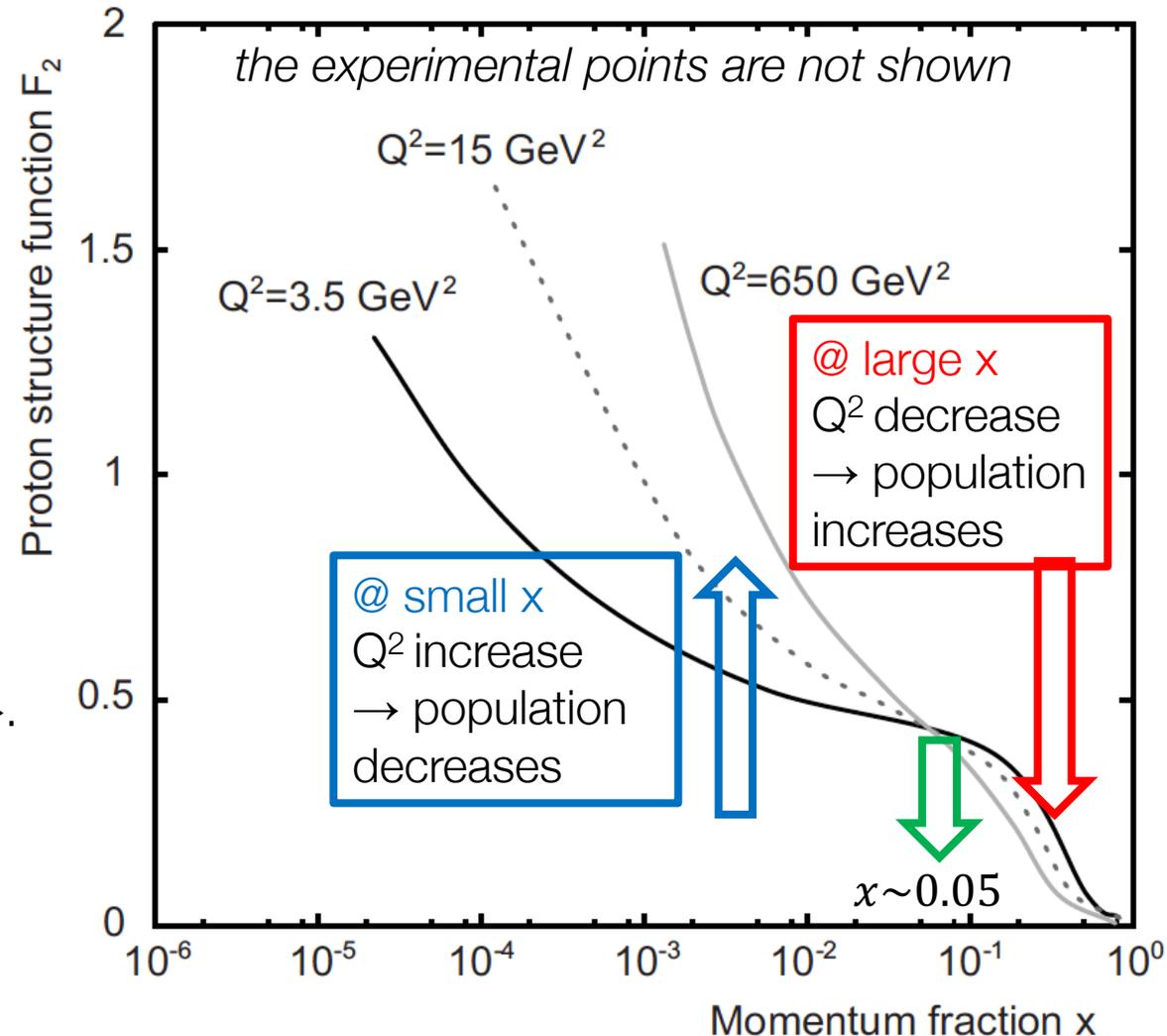
- Quarks emit or absorb gluons
- gluons may split into  $q\bar{q}$  pairs or emit gluons  $\rightarrow$
- The momentum distribution changes continuously.

## The structure function

- increases with  $Q^2$  at small values of  $x$  and
- decreases when  $Q^2$  increases at large values of  $x$ .

This behaviour, called **scaling violation**, is sketched in Fig.  $\rightarrow$ .

With increasing values of  $Q^2$  many quarks seen  $\rightarrow$  the momentum of the proton is shared among many partons  $\rightarrow$  there are few quarks with large momentum fractions in the nucleon  $\rightarrow$  quarks with small momentum fractions predominate.





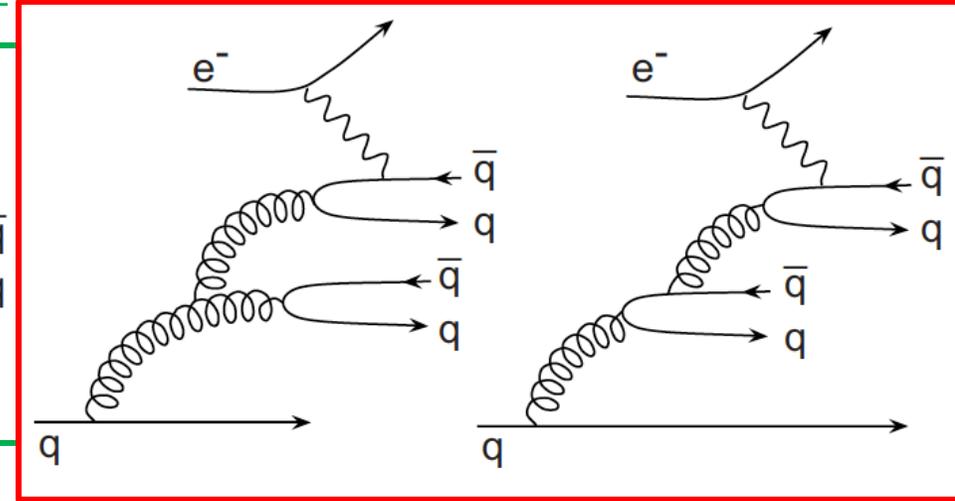
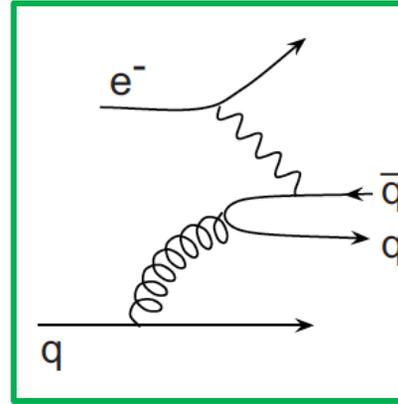
# Inside the Nucleon

A virtual photon can resolve dimensions of the order of  $\hbar/Q^2$ . At small  $Q^2$  quarks and emitted gluons cannot be distinguished and a quark distribution  $q(x, Q^2)$  is measured.

At larger  $Q^2$  and higher resolution, emission and splitting processes must be considered  $\rightarrow$  the number of partons that share the momentum of the nucleon increases.

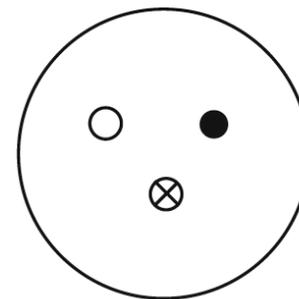
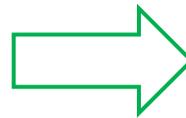
- The quark distribution  $q(x, Q^2)$  at small momentum fractions  $x$ , therefore, is larger than  $q(x, Q^2)$  at high values of  $x$ ;
- the effect is reversed for large  $x$ .

Large  $x$ , low  $Q^2$

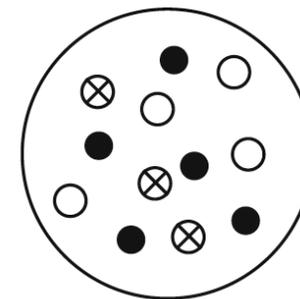


Small  $x$ , high  $Q^2$

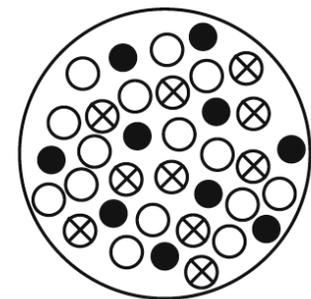
Evolution of the structure function with  $Q^2$  at small values of  $x$  and its decrease at large  $x$ . The gluon distribution  $g(x, Q^2)$  has a similar behaviour.



$x = 0.1$



$x = 0.001$



$x < x_c$



# Visibility of Quark Components

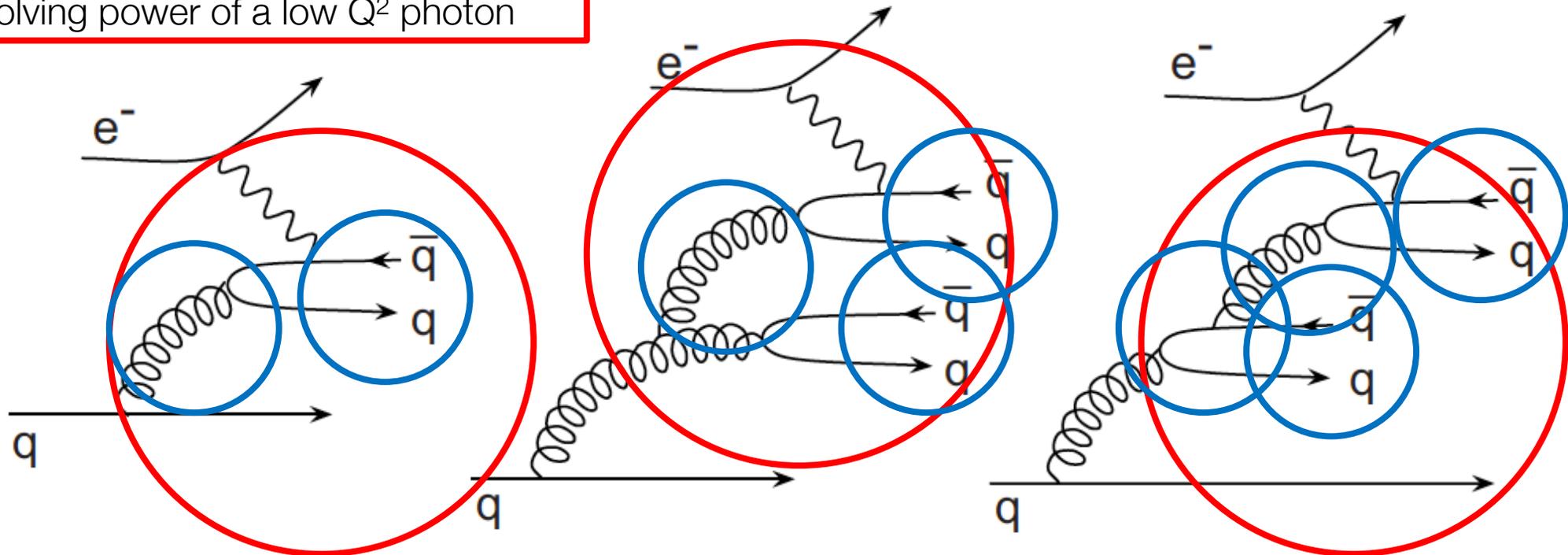
The photon exchanged in DIS has an equivalent length of  $\frac{\hbar}{\sqrt{Q^2}}$  and cannot resolve any structure smaller than this

→

- at low  $Q^2$  the photon cannot see the effect of gluons and sees the  $x$  distribution of quarks
- at high  $Q^2$  the photon starts to resolve inner structure of quarks and splitting processes must be accounted for.

Resolving power of a low  $Q^2$  photon

Resolving power of an high  $Q^2$  photon





# Extrapolating Structure Functions

The number of partons seen to share the momentum of the nucleon increases when  $Q^2$  increases.

## Problem!

How to extrapolate measured  $F_2(x)$  to higher values of  $Q^2$ ?  
How do we go Hera  $\rightarrow$  LHC

The dependence of the quark and gluon distributions can be described by a system of coupled integral-differential equations [Altarelli Parisi equations].

- If  $\alpha_s(Q^2)$  and the shape of  $q(x, Q^2)$  and  $g(x, Q^2)$  are known at a given value  $Q^2$
- $\rightarrow q(x, Q^2)$  and  $g(x, Q^2)$  can be predicted from QCD for all other values of  $Q^2$ .
- The coupling  $\alpha_s(Q^2)$  and the gluon distribution  $g(x, Q^2)$ , which cannot be directly measured, can be determined from the observed scaling violation of the structure function  $F_2(x, Q^2)$ .



# Altarelli – Parisi Equations (Review Particles Properties)

In QCD, the above process is described in terms of scale-dependent parton distributions  $f_a(x, \mu^2)$ , where  $a = g$  or  $q$  and, typically,  $\mu$  is the scale of the probe  $Q$ . For  $Q^2 \gg M^2$ , the structure functions are of the form

$$F_i = \sum_a C_i^a \otimes f_a, \quad (16.21)$$

where  $\otimes$  denotes the convolution integral

$$C \otimes f = \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} C(y) f\left(\frac{x}{y}\right), \quad (16.22)$$

and where the coefficient functions  $C_i^a$  are given as a power series in  $\alpha_s$ . The parton distribution  $f_a$  corresponds, at a given  $x$ , to the density of parton  $a$  in the proton integrated over transverse momentum  $k_t$  up to  $\mu$ . Its evolution in  $\mu$  is described in QCD by a DGLAP equation (see Refs. 14–17) which has the schematic form

$$\frac{\partial f_a}{\partial \ln \mu^2} \sim \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{2\pi} \sum_b (P_{ab} \otimes f_b), \quad (16.23)$$

where the  $P_{ab}$ , which describe the parton splitting  $b \rightarrow a$ , are also given as a power series in  $\alpha_s$ . Although perturbative QCD can predict, via Eq. (16.23), the evolution of the parton distribution functions from a particular scale,  $\mu_0$ , these DGLAP equations cannot predict them *a priori* at any particular  $\mu_0$ . Thus they must be measured at a starting point  $\mu_0$  before the predictions of QCD can be compared to the data at other scales,  $\mu$ . In general, all observables involving a hard hadronic interaction (such as structure functions) can be expressed as a convolution of calculable, process-dependent coefficient functions and these universal parton distributions, e.g. Eq. (16.21).

It is often convenient to write the evolution equations in terms of the gluon, non-singlet ( $q^{NS}$ ) and singlet ( $q^S$ ) quark distributions, such that

$$q^{NS} = q_i - \bar{q}_i \quad (\text{or } q_i - q_j), \quad q^S = \sum_i (q_i + \bar{q}_i). \quad (16.24)$$

The non-singlet distributions have non-zero values of flavor quantum numbers, such as

## Nomenclature

$f_a(x, q^2)$  parton distributions

$P_{ab}$  parton splitting  $\rightarrow ab$

$n_f$  number of active quark flavors

isospin and baryon number. The DGLAP evolution equations then take the form

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial q^{NS}}{\partial \ln \mu^2} &= \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{2\pi} P_{qq} \otimes q^{NS}, \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \ln \mu^2} \begin{pmatrix} q^S \\ g \end{pmatrix} &= \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{2\pi} \begin{pmatrix} P_{qq} & 2n_f P_{qg} \\ P_{gq} & P_{gg} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} q^S \\ g \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (16.25)$$

where  $P$  are splitting functions that describe the probability of a given parton splitting into two others, and  $n_f$  is the number of (active) quark flavors. The leading-order



# Altarelli – Parisi Equations (Review Particles Properties)

into two others, and  $n_f$  is the number of (active) quark flavors. The leading-order Altarelli-Parisi [16] splitting functions are

$$P_{qq} = \frac{4}{3} \left[ \frac{1+x^2}{(1-x)} \right]_+ = \frac{4}{3} \left[ \frac{1+x^2}{(1-x)_+} \right] + 2\delta(1-x), \quad (16.26)$$

$$P_{qg} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ x^2 + (1-x)^2 \right], \quad (16.27)$$

$$P_{gq} = \frac{4}{3} \left[ \frac{1+(1-x)^2}{x} \right], \quad (16.28)$$

$$P_{gg} = 6 \left[ \frac{1-x}{x} + x(1-x) + \frac{x}{(1-x)_+} \right] + \left[ \frac{11}{2} - \frac{n_f}{3} \right] \delta(1-x), \quad (16.29)$$

where the notation  $[F(x)]_+$  defines a distribution such that for any sufficiently regular test function,  $f(x)$ ,

$$\int_0^1 dx f(x) [F(x)]_+ = \int_0^1 dx (f(x) - f(1)) F(x). \quad (16.30)$$

In general, the splitting functions can be expressed as a power series in  $\alpha_s$ . The series contains both terms proportional to  $\ln \mu^2$  and to  $\ln 1/x$ . The leading-order DGLAP evolution sums up the  $(\alpha_s \ln \mu^2)^n$  contributions, while at next-to-leading order (NLO) the sum over the  $\alpha_s (\alpha_s \ln \mu^2)^{n-1}$  terms is included [18,19]. In fact, the NNLO contributions to the splitting functions and the DIS coefficient functions are now also all known [20–22].

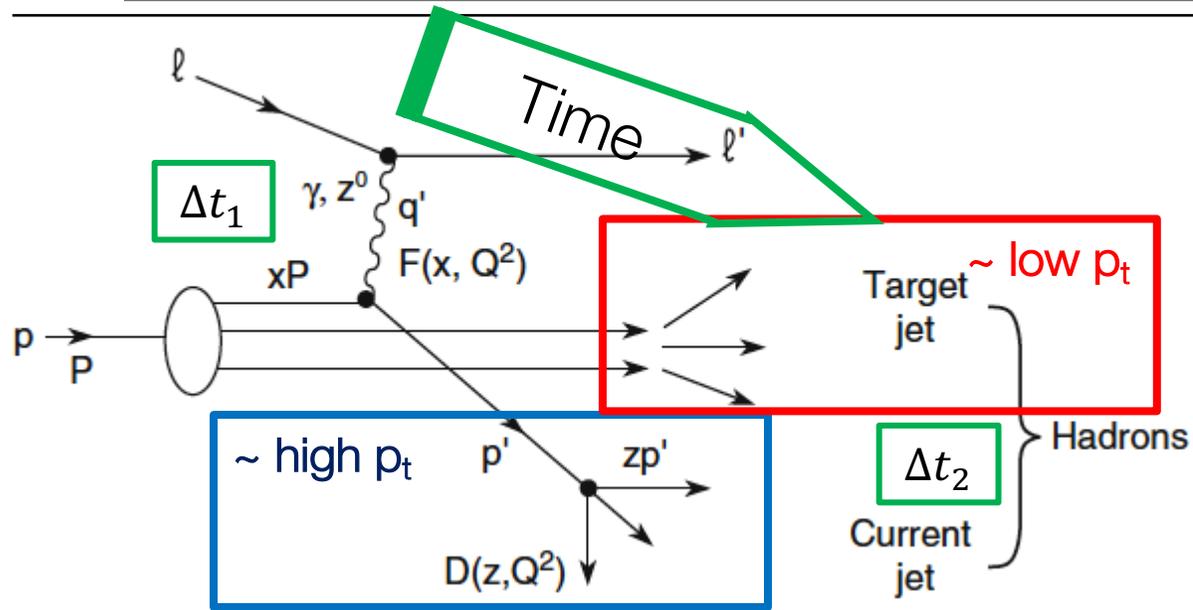
In the kinematic region of very small  $x$ , it is essential to sum leading terms in  $\ln 1/x$ , independent of the value of  $\ln \mu^2$ . At leading order, LLx, this is done by the BFKL equation for the unintegrated distributions (see Refs. [23,24]). The leading-order  $(\alpha_s \ln(1/x))^n$  terms result in a power-like growth,  $x^{-\omega}$  with  $\omega = (12\alpha_s \ln 2)/\pi$ , at asymptotic values of  $\ln 1/x$ . More recently, the next-to-leading  $\ln 1/x$  (NLLx) contributions have become available [25,26]. They are so large (and negative) that the result appears to be perturbatively unstable. Methods, based on a combination of collinear and small  $x$  resummations, have been developed which reorganize the perturbative series into a more stable hierarchy [27–30]. There are indications that small  $x$  resummations become necessary for real precision for  $x \lesssim 10^{-3}$  at low scales. On the

## Symmetries / Significant properties

- $P_{qg}, P_{gq}$ : symmetric  $x \leftrightarrow (1-x)$
- $P_{qq}, P_{gg}$ : diverge for  $x \rightarrow 1$
- $P_{gq}, P_{gg}$ : diverge for  $x \rightarrow 0$
- $P_{qq'} = 0$
- $P_{\bar{q}g} = P_{qg}$



# Fragmentation of quarks into hadrons



1.  $\gamma$ -parton collision occurs within a time  $\Delta t_1 \approx \frac{\hbar}{v}$ ,  $v = E - E'$
2. The quark hadronization has a time  $\Delta t_2 \approx \frac{\hbar}{m_p c^2} \approx 10^{-24} \text{ s}$

If  $v \gg m_p$ , one has  $\Delta t_1 \ll \Delta t_2$  and the two subprocesses are distinct.

DIS second stage: the parton fragments into two jets of hadrons (hadronises).

naked quarks to hadrons in the final state.

The fragmentation function,  
 $D(z; Q^2)$   
 describes the hadronisation.

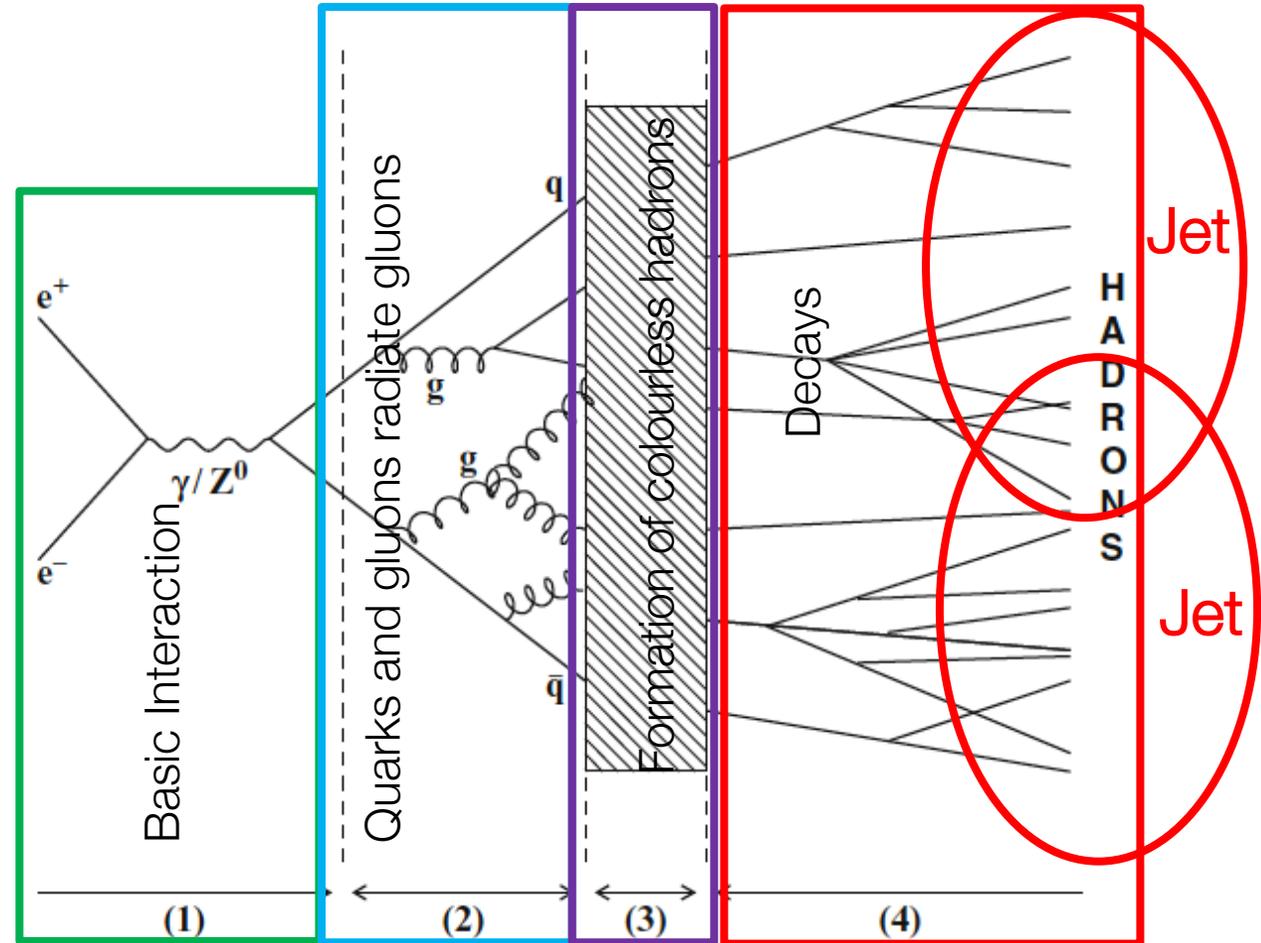
$D(z; Q^2)$ : probability that a given hadron carries a fraction  $z$  of the interacting parton energy, it must be estimated by data.

In this stage, the gluons play an important role and modify the structure function, making it dependent on  $Q^2$ .



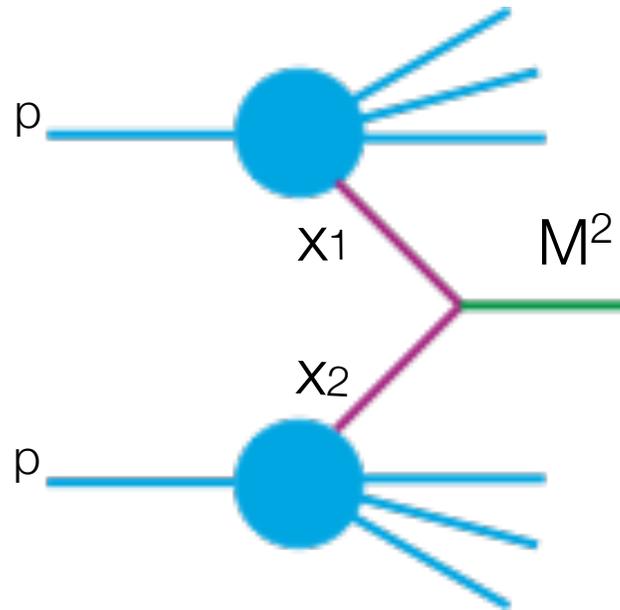
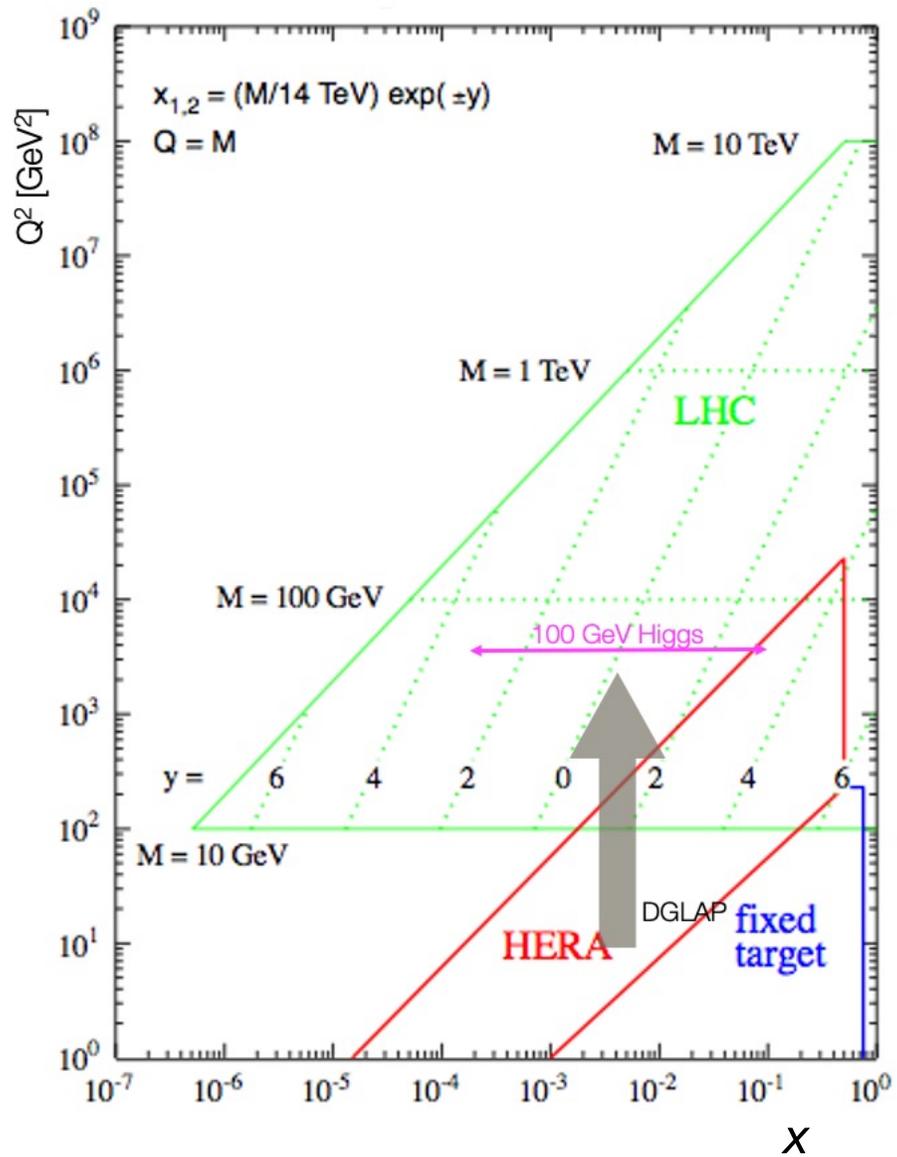
# The Fragmentation Process

1. Basic (EW) Interaction
2. The quark or the antiquark can radiate a gluon, which can radiate another gluon, or produce a  $q\bar{q}$  pair.
3. The coloured partons (quarks and gluons) fragment (hadronize) in colourless hadrons. The process cannot be treated with perturbation methods; in the absence of an exact analysis, the fragmentation is described by *models*
4. In the fourth phase, the produced hadronic resonances decay rapidly into hadrons





# Kinematic Domains



$$M^2 = x_1 x_2 \cdot s$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \sqrt{x_1 x_2} = M/\sqrt{s}$$

$$[x_1 = x_2: \text{mid-rapidity}]$$

LHC needs:

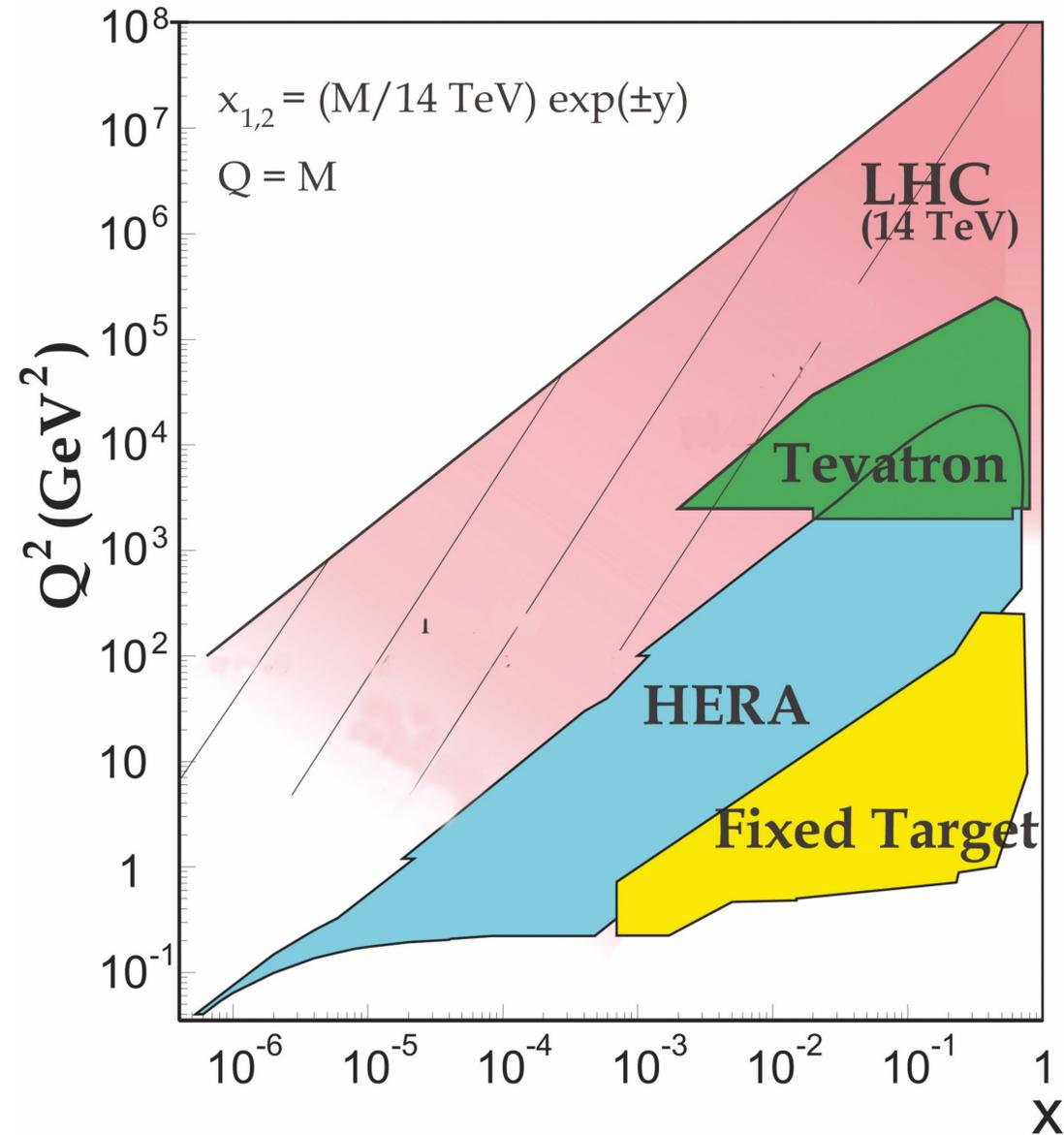
Knowledge of parton densities  
 Extrapolation over orders of magnitudes



# Accessible kinematic regions in DIS

Kinematic domains in  $x$  and  $Q^2$  probed by fixed-target and collider experiments.

- $x$  and  $Q^2$  domains probed by fixed-target and collider experiments.
- Some of the final states accessible at the LHC are indicated
- $Q^2 = M^2$  is the mass of some states accessible to LHC.
- For example, exclusive  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi$  production at high  $|y|$  at the LHC may probe/imply the gluon PDF down to  $x \sim 10^{-5}$ .





# Where to Measure PDFs?

Fixed – target experiments

HERA & Tevatron

LHC

Process	Subprocess	Partons	$x$ range
$\ell^\pm \{p, n\} \rightarrow \ell^\pm X$	$\gamma^* q \rightarrow q$	$q, \bar{q}, g$	$x \gtrsim 0.01$
$\ell^\pm n/p \rightarrow \ell^\pm X$	$\gamma^* d/u \rightarrow d/u$	$d/u$	$x \gtrsim 0.01$
$pp \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	$u\bar{u}, d\bar{d} \rightarrow \gamma^*$	$\bar{q}$	$0.015 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.35$
$pn/pp \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	$(u\bar{d})/(u\bar{u}) \rightarrow \gamma^*$	$\bar{d}/\bar{u}$	$0.015 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.35$
$\nu(\bar{\nu}) N \rightarrow \mu^-(\mu^+) X$	$W^* q \rightarrow q'$	$q, \bar{q}$	$0.01 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.5$
$\nu N \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+ X$	$W^* s \rightarrow c$	$s$	$0.01 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.2$
$\bar{\nu} N \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$	$W^* \bar{s} \rightarrow \bar{c}$	$\bar{s}$	$0.01 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.2$
$e^\pm p \rightarrow e^\pm X$	$\gamma^* q \rightarrow q$	$g, q, \bar{q}$	$10^{-4} \lesssim x \lesssim 0.1$
$e^+ p \rightarrow \bar{\nu} X$	$W^+ \{d, s\} \rightarrow \{u, c\}$	$d, s$	$x \gtrsim 0.01$
$e^\pm p \rightarrow e^\pm c\bar{c}X, e^\pm b\bar{b}X$	$\gamma^* c \rightarrow c, \gamma^* g \rightarrow c\bar{c}$	$c, b, g$	$10^{-4} \lesssim x \lesssim 0.01$
$e^\pm p \rightarrow \text{jet}+X$	$\gamma^* g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$	$g$	$0.01 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.1$
$p\bar{p}, pp \rightarrow \text{jet}+X$	$gg, qg, qq \rightarrow 2j$	$g, q$	$0.00005 \lesssim x \lesssim 0.5$
$p\bar{p} \rightarrow (W^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu) X$	$ud \rightarrow W^+, \bar{u}\bar{d} \rightarrow W^-$	$u, d, \bar{u}, \bar{d}$	$x \gtrsim 0.05$
$pp \rightarrow (W^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu) X$	$u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+, d\bar{u} \rightarrow W^-$	$u, d, \bar{u}, \bar{d}, g$	$x \gtrsim 0.001$
$p\bar{p}(pp) \rightarrow (Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-) X$	$uu, dd, ..(u\bar{u}, ..) \rightarrow Z$	$u, d, ..(g)$	$x \gtrsim 0.001$
$pp \rightarrow W^- c, W^+ \bar{c}$	$gs \rightarrow W^- c$	$s, \bar{s}$	$x \sim 0.01$
$pp \rightarrow (\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-) X$	$u\bar{u}, d\bar{d}, .. \rightarrow \gamma^*$	$\bar{q}, g$	$x \gtrsim 10^{-5}$
$pp \rightarrow (\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-) X$	$u\gamma, d\gamma, .. \rightarrow \gamma^*$	$\gamma$	$x \gtrsim 10^{-2}$
$pp \rightarrow b\bar{b} X, t\bar{t} X$	$gg \rightarrow b\bar{b}, t\bar{t}$	$g$	$x \gtrsim 10^{-5}, 10^{-2}$
$pp \rightarrow \text{exclusive } J/\psi, \Upsilon$	$\gamma^*(gg) \rightarrow J/\psi, \Upsilon$	$g$	$x \gtrsim 10^{-5}, 10^{-4}$
$pp \rightarrow \gamma X$	$gq \rightarrow \gamma q, g\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma\bar{q}$	$g$	$x \gtrsim 0.005$



# Measuring $\alpha_s(Q^2)$ at different $Q^2$

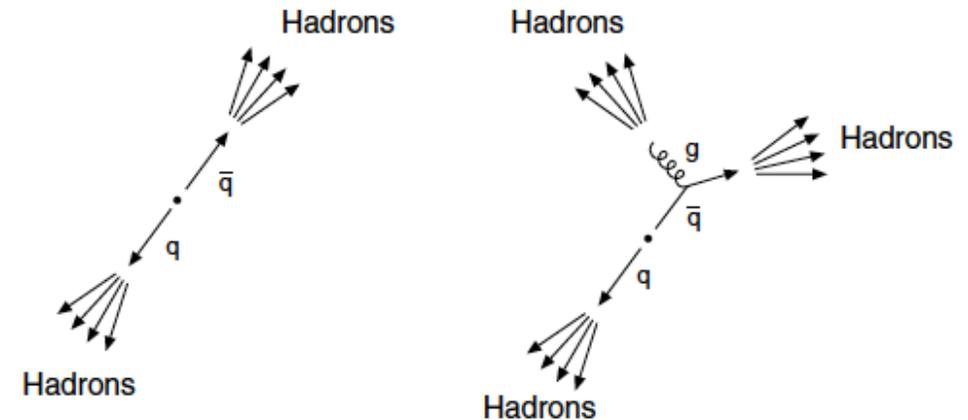
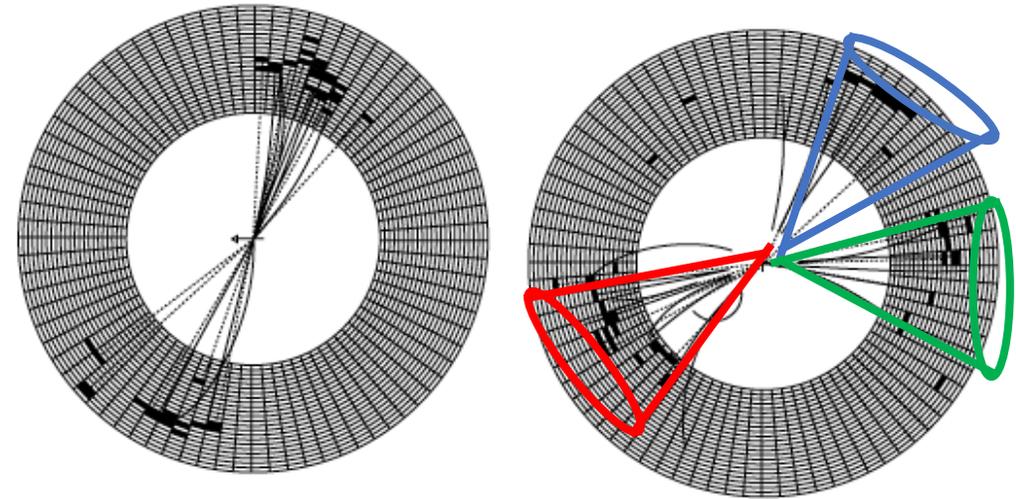
## Jet production in $pp, p\bar{p}$ interactions

- At high energies, hadrons are typically produced in two jets, emitted in opposite directions.
- These jets are produced in the hadronization of the primary quarks and antiquarks.
- In addition to simple  $q\bar{q}$  production, higher-order processes can happen. For example, a high-energy (“hard”) gluon can be emitted, producing a third jet of hadrons.

This is ~ to the emission of a  $\gamma$  in em bremsstrahlung. The em coupling constant  $\alpha$  is small  $\rightarrow$  emission of a hard photon is a relatively rare process.

The probability of gluon bremsstrahlung (right part of the Figure) is given by the coupling constant  $\alpha_s$ .

**A comparison of the 3- and 2-jet event rates  $\rightarrow \alpha_s$ .**



Measurements at different energies show that  $\alpha_s$  decreases with increasing  $Q^2$  as predicted by

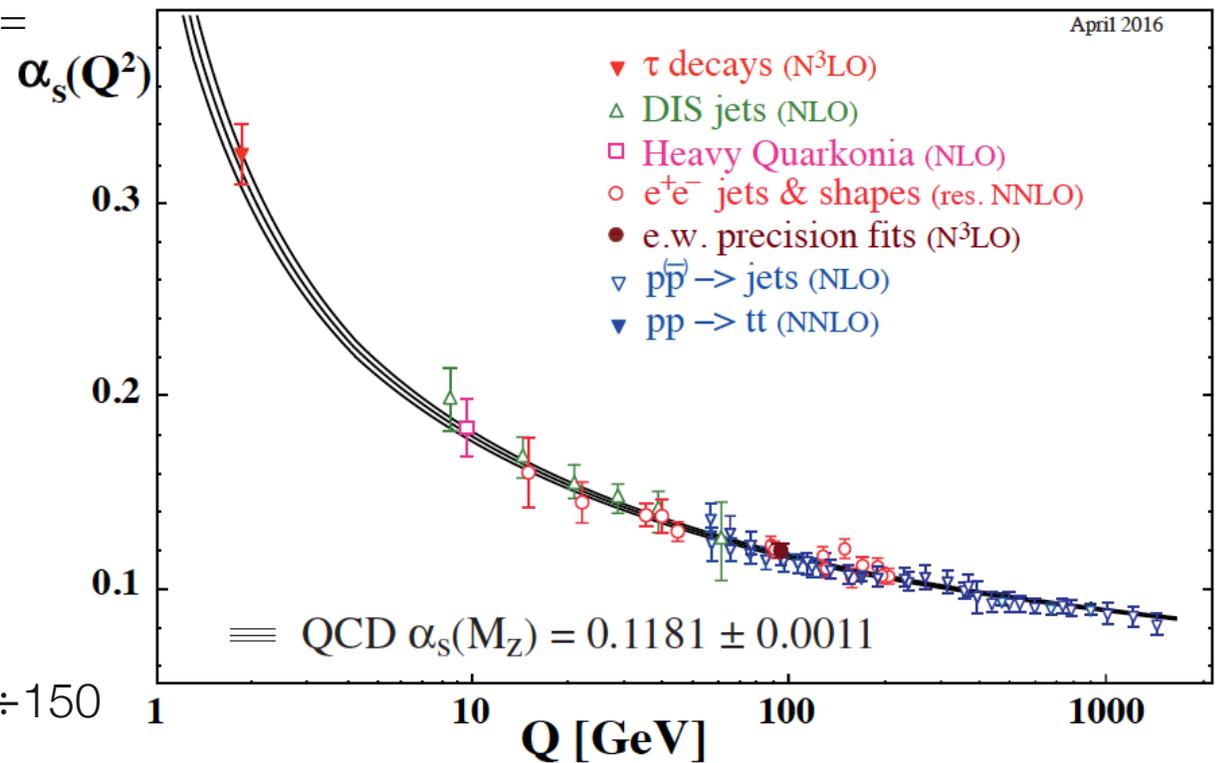
$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{12\pi}{(33 - 2n_f) \cdot \ln(Q^2/\Lambda^2)}$$



# More Ways of Measuring $\alpha_s(Q^2)$

Review of Particles Properties 2018 edition: <http://pdg.lbl.gov/2018/reviews/rpp2018-rev-qcd.pdf>

- Hadronic decays of the  $\tau$  lepton:  $\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{hadrons}$  ( $Q=1.77\text{GeV}$ )
- Evolution of the nucleon structure functions measured in inelastic scattering of  $e, \mu, \nu$  on nucleons ( $Q=2 \div 50 \text{ GeV}$ )
- Jet production in the inelastic scattering  $ep \rightarrow eX$  ( $Q=2 \div 50 \text{ GeV}$ )
- Analyses of the energy levels of bound states  $q\bar{q}$  (quarkonium) ( $Q = 1.5 \div 5 \text{ GeV}$ )
- Decays of the vector mesons  $\Upsilon$  ( $Q = 5 \text{ GeV}$ )
- Hadronic cross-section of the annihilation  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$  ( $Q = 10 \div 200 \text{ GeV}$ )
- Fragmentation function of jets produced in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$  ( $Q = 10 \div 200 \text{ GeV}$ )
- *Hadronic decays of the  $Z^0$  boson ( $Q = 91 \text{ GeV}$ )*
- *Jet production in  $pp, p\bar{p}$  interactions ( $Q = 50 \div 1000 \text{ GeV}$ )*
- Photon production in in  $pp, p\bar{p}$  interactions ( $Q = 30 \div 150 \text{ GeV}$ )

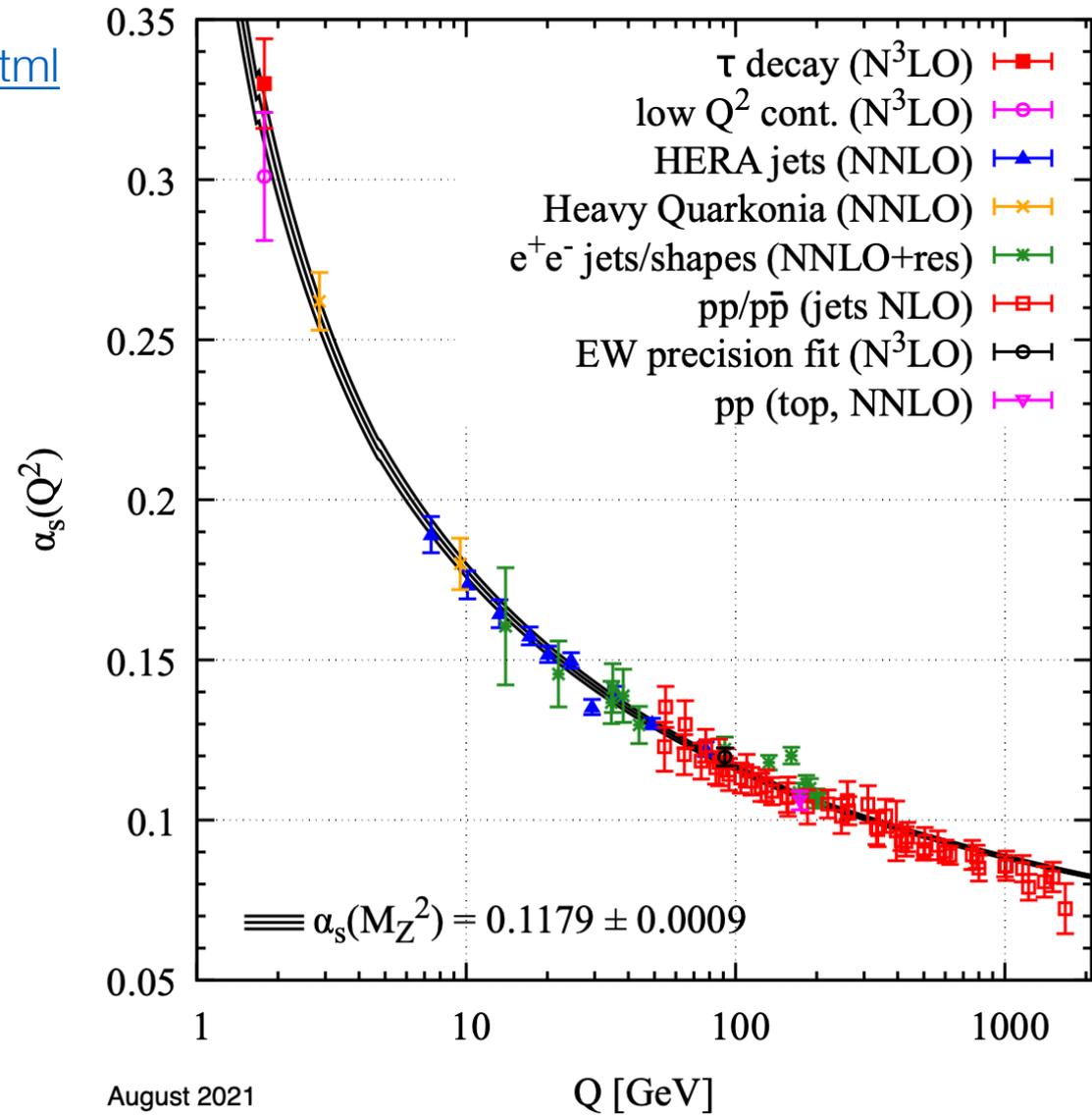




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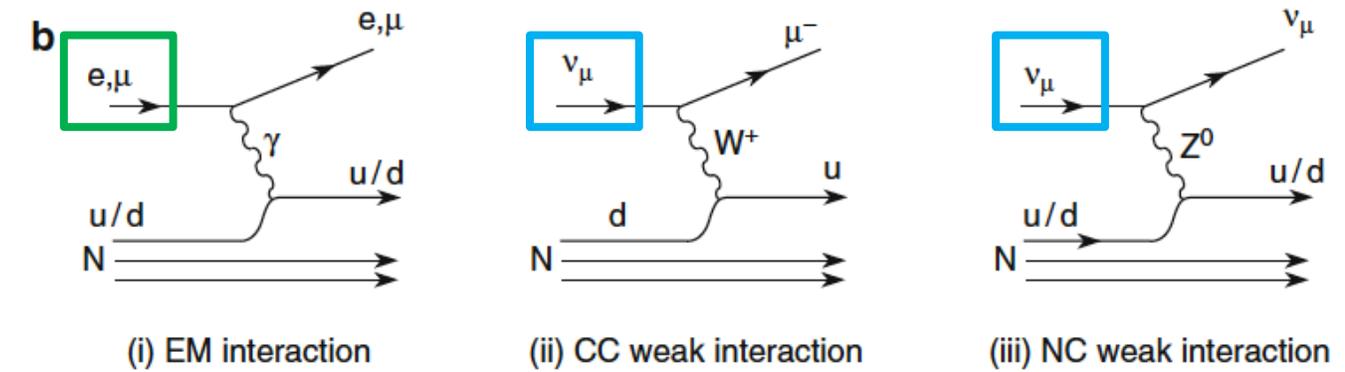
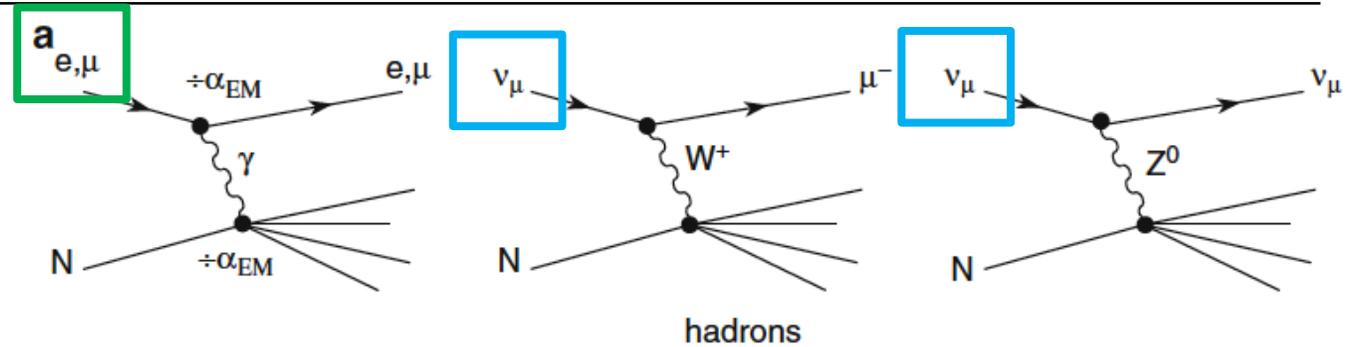
*End of Deep Inelastic Scattering*



# How to measure the $W_2 \rightarrow F_2$ Structure Function?

$$ep: e^\pm + p \rightarrow e^\pm + X^+$$

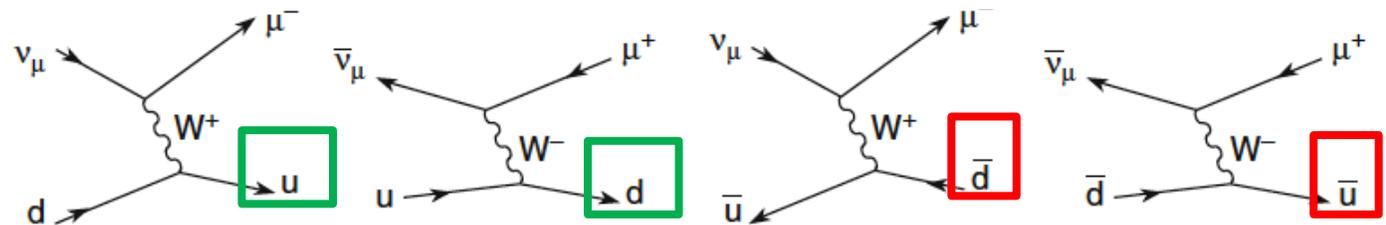
$$\mu p: \mu^\pm + p \rightarrow \mu^\pm + X^+$$



Incoming particle	Outgoing particle	Parton involved
lepton <sup>+</sup>	lepton <sup>+</sup>	Sea & valence
lepton <sup>-</sup>	lepton <sup>-</sup>	
ν <sub>μ</sub>	μ <sup>-</sup>	d → u (CC, W <sup>+</sup> )
ν <sub>μ</sub>	μ <sup>-</sup>	$\bar{u} \rightarrow \bar{d}$ (CC, W <sup>-</sup> )
ν <sub>μ</sub>	ν <sub>μ</sub>	ν <sub>μ</sub>
ν <sub>μ</sub>		
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$		

$$\nu_\mu p(CC): \nu_\mu + p \rightarrow \mu^- + X^{++}, \bar{\nu}_\mu + p \rightarrow \mu^+ + X^0$$

$$\nu_\mu p(NC): \nu_\mu + p \rightarrow \nu_\mu + X^+, \bar{\nu}_\mu + p \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu + X^+$$





a) the cross sections of pointlike spin 1/2 particle of mass  $m$  (à la Rosenbluth with  $G_E=G_M=1$ ) :

$$\left[ \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} \right]_{\text{point-like, spin 1/2}} = \frac{12\alpha^2 E'^2}{EQ^4} \left[ \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + 2\tau \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right];$$

$$\left[ \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} \right]_{\text{DIS}} = \frac{4\alpha^2 E'^2}{Q^4} \left[ W_2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + 2W_1 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right];$$

$$W_2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + 2W_1 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{3}{E} \left[ \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + 2\tau \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right];$$

$$W_1 = \frac{3\tau}{E}; \quad W_2 = \frac{3}{E}; \quad \frac{W_1}{W_2} = \frac{F_1(x) v}{F_2(x) M} = \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4m^2};$$

b) from the kinematics of elastic scattering of point-like constituents of mass  $m$  :

$$Q^2 = 2m\nu = 2M\nu x \rightarrow m = xM;$$

$$\frac{F_1(x)}{F_2(x)} = \frac{Q^2 M}{4m^2 \nu} = \frac{2m\nu M}{4m^2 \nu} = \frac{M}{2m} = \frac{1}{2x}; \quad \rightarrow$$

$$2xF_1(x) = F_2(x).$$

Warnings :

- don't confuse  $M$  (the nucleon) with  $m$  (the constituent);
- don't confuse the inelastic scattering ep with the elastic scattering eq;
- $x$  refers to the inelastic case;
- an hypothetical [nobody uses it] variable  $\xi$ , analogous to  $x$  but for the constituent scattering; in this case,  $Q^2=2m\nu\xi$ ,  $\xi = 1$ ;
- we learn that  $x = m/M$  [REMEMBER].

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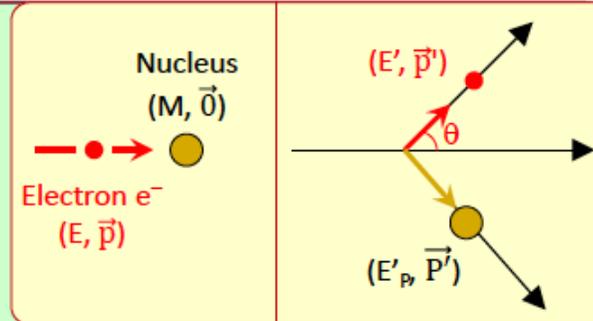
# *E-N Scattering Kinematics*

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## (In)elastic scattering e-N : kinematics

$$\begin{cases} e_{\text{init}}^- & (E, \vec{p}; m); \\ N_{\text{init}} & (M, \vec{0}; M); \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} e_{\text{fin}}^- & (E', \vec{p}'; m); \\ N_{\text{fin}} & (E'_p, \vec{P}'_p; M); \end{cases}$$

$$\text{4-momentum conservation} \quad \begin{cases} E + M = E' + E'_p \rightarrow E'_p = E + M - E'; \\ \vec{p} + \vec{0} = \vec{p}' + \vec{P}'_p \rightarrow \vec{P}'_p = \vec{p} - \vec{p}'; \end{cases}$$



$$\text{Square and subtract} \quad \begin{cases} (E'_p)^2 = E^2 + M^2 + E'^2 + 2EM - 2EE' - 2ME'; \\ (\vec{P}'_p)^2 = p^2 + p'^2 - 2pp' \cos \theta; \\ (E'_p)^2 - (\vec{P}'_p)^2 = M^2 = E^2 + M^2 + E'^2 + 2EM - 2EE' - 2ME' - p^2 - p'^2 + 2pp' \cos \theta; \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Ultra-relativistic approx. } (m_e \ll E, E') \rightarrow (p \approx E, p' \approx E') \quad \begin{cases} M^2 = E^2 + M^2 + E'^2 + 2EM - 2EE' - 2ME' - E^2 - E'^2 + 2EE' \cos \theta; \\ 0 = 2EM - 2EE' - 2ME' + 2EE' \cos \theta; \end{cases}$$

$$E' = \frac{EM}{E + M - E \cos \theta} = \frac{EM}{E(1 - \cos \theta) + M} \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

**NB** – The reaction is planar (why?). The final state is defined by 6 variables. There are 3 (E, p conservations) and 2 ( $m^2 = E^2 - p^2$ ) rules. Therefore : 6-5=1 independent variable.



# Callan-Gross Relation (spin 1/2 target)

The comparison between these two formulas

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{point spin } 1/2} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{Mott}} \cdot \left[1 + 2\tau \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}\right] \quad \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2c^2} \cdot \frac{2xF_1}{F_2}$$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE'} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{Mott}}^* \left[ W_2(Q^2, \nu) + 2W_1(Q^2, \nu) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right] \quad \begin{aligned} F_1(x, Q^2) &= Mc^2 W_1(Q^2, \nu) \\ F_2(x, Q^2) &= \nu W_2(Q^2, \nu) \end{aligned}$$

Gives the Callan-Gross relation:  $2xF_1(x) = F_2(x)$ .

This relation is expected to be valid ONLY for spin 1/2 target objects. This is verified experimentally as shown in the figure to the right.

Experimental evidence tells us that

- Nucleons are made of point-like objects
- These point-like objects carry spin 1/2

