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# Dipole model analysis of highest precision HERA data, including very low $Q^2$ 's

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# Introduction

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- Motivation: We analyse, within a dipole model, the final, inclusive HERA DIS cross section data in the low  $x$  region, using fully correlated errors.
- We show, that these highest precision data are very well described within the dipole model framework starting from very low  $Q^2$  values of  $0.3 \text{ GeV}^2$  to the highest values of  $Q^2 = 250 \text{ GeV}^2$ .
- We discuss the saturation question and the properties of the gluon density obtained in this way.
- The analysis was done in the [xFitter](#) framework.

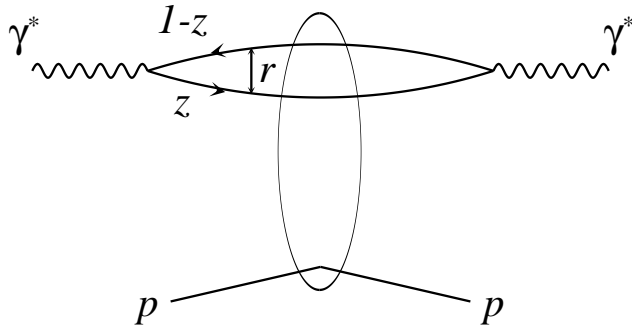
# Outline

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- Dipole model approach.
- GBW and BGK parametrization of dipole cross section.
- Results of the fits from BGK dipole model.
- Gluon density.
- Comparison with HERA data.
- Summary.

# Dipole model of DIS

- Dipole picture of DIS at small  $x$  in the proton rest frame



$r$  - dipole size

$z$  - longitudinal momentum fraction of the quark/antiquark

- Factorization: dipole formation + dipole interaction

$$\sigma^{\gamma p} = \frac{4\pi^2 \alpha_{em}}{Q^2} F_2 = \sum_f \int d^2 r \int_0^1 dz |\Psi^\gamma(r, z, Q^2, m_f)|^2 \hat{\sigma}(r, x)$$

- Dipole-proton interaction

$$\hat{\sigma}(r, x) = \sigma_0 (1 - \exp\{-\hat{r}^2\}) \quad \hat{r} = r/R_s(x)$$

# Dipole cross section

- BGK (Bartels-Golec-Kowalski) parametrization

$$\hat{\sigma}(r, x) = \sigma_0 \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[ -\pi^2 r^2 \alpha_s(\mu^2) x g(x, \mu^2) / (3\sigma_0) \right] \right\}$$

- $\mu^2 = C/r^2 + \mu_0^2$  is the scale of the gluon density

- $\mu_0^2$  is a starting scale of the QCD evolution.  $\mu_0^2 = Q_0^2$

- gluon density is evolved according to the LO or NLO DGLAP eq.

- soft gluon:

$$xg(x, \mu_0^2) = A_g x^{\lambda_g} (1-x)^{C_g}$$

- soft + hard gluon:

$$xg(x, \mu_0^2) = A_g x^{\lambda_g} (1-x)^{C_g} (1 + D_g x + E_g x^2)$$

# Results of the Fits

## Dipole model BGK fit with fix valence quarks and without

$Q_{min}^2$ [GeV <sup>2</sup> ]	$\sigma_0$ [mb]	$A_g$	$\lambda_g$	$C_g$	$N_{df}$	$\chi^2$	$\chi^2/N_{df}$
3.5	87.0±	2.32±	-0.056±	8.21±	534	551.05	1.03
	8.9	0.009	0.11	0.80			
8.5	72.36±	2.766±	-0.042±	6.543±	448	452.48	1.01
	7.4	0.009	0.123	0.632			

Table 1: BGK fit with fixed valence quarks for  $\sigma_r$  for H1ZEUS-NC data in the range  $Q^2 \geq 3.5$  or 8.5 GeV<sup>2</sup> and  $x \leq 0.01$ . NLO fit. *Soft gluon.*  $m_{uds} = 0.14, m_c = 1.3$  GeV.  $Q_0^2 = 1.9$  GeV<sup>2</sup>.

- 1.2 BGK NLO fit without valence quarks for  $\sigma_r$  for HERA1+2-NCep-460, HERA1+2-NCep-575, HERA1+2-NCep-820, HERA1+2-NCep-920 and HERA1+2-NCem in the range  $Q^2 \geq 3.5$  GeV<sup>2</sup> and  $Q^2 \geq 8.5$  and  $x \leq 0.01$ . *Soft gluon.*

No	$Q^2$	HF Scheme	$\sigma_0$	$A_g$	$\lambda_g$	$C_g$	$cBGK$	$N_p$	$\chi^2$	$\chi^2/N_p$
1	$Q^2 \geq 3.5$	RT OPT	85.111	2.075	-0.093	4.989	4.0	568	592.46	1.04
2	$Q^2 \geq 8.5$	RT OPT	123.31	1.997	-0.0975	4.655	4.0	482	479.37	0.99

## Results of the Fits

### Dipole model BGK fit with fitted valence quarks

- 1.3 BGK NLO fit with fitted valence quarks for  $\sigma_r$  for HERA1+2-NCep-460, HERA1+2-NCep-575, HERA1+2-NCep-820, HERA1+2-NCep-920 and HERA1+2-NCem in the range  $Q^2 \geq 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$  and  $Q^2 \geq 8.5$  and  $x \leq 0.01$ .  
*Soft gluon.*

No	$Q^2$	HF Scheme	$\sigma_0$	$A_g$	$\lambda_g$	$C_g$	$cBGK$	$N_p$	$\chi^2$	$\chi^2/N_p$
1	$Q^2 \geq 3.5$	RT OPT	85.111	1.921	-0.103	4.674	4.0	557	575.30	1.03
2	$Q^2 \geq 8.5$	RT OPT	93.581	1.665	-0.124	6.066	4.0	473	476.71	1.01

### HERAPDF fit with fitted valence quarks

- 1.4 HERAPDF NLO fit with fitted valence quarks for  $\sigma_r$  for HERA1+2-NCep-460, HERA1+2-NCep-575 HERA1+2-NCep-820, HERA1+2-NCep-920, HERA1+2-NCem, HERA1+2-CCep and HERA1+2-CCem data in the range  $Q^2 \geq 3.5$  and  $Q^2 \geq 8.5$  and  $x \leq 1.0$ .

No	$Q^2$	HF Scheme	$N_p$	$\chi^2$	$\chi^2/N_p$
1	$Q^2 \geq 3.5$	RT	1131	1356.70	1.20
2	$Q^2 \geq 8.5$	RT	456	470.88	1.15

## Results of the Fits

### HERAPDF fit with fix valence quarks, soft gluon

HERAPDF NLO fit with fix valence quarks for  $\sigma_r$  for HERA1+2-NCep-460, HERA1+2-NCep-575 HERA1+2-NCep-820, HERA1+2-NCep-920, HERA1+2-NCem data in the range  $Q^2 \geq 3.5$  and  $x \leq 0.01$ .

No	$Q^2$	HF Scheme	$Np$	$\chi^2$	$\chi^2/Np$
1	$Q^2 \geq 3.5$	RT	534	572.69	1.07

### HERAPDF fit with fix valence quarks, soft + hard gluon

HERAPDF NLO fit with fix valence quarks for  $\sigma_r$  for HERA1+2-NCep-460, HERA1+2-NCep-575 HERA1+2-NCep-820, HERA1+2-NCep-920, HERA1+2-NCem data in the range  $Q^2 \geq 3.5$  and  $x \leq 0.01$ .

No	$Q^2$	HF Scheme	$Np$	$\chi^2$	$\chi^2/Np$
1	$Q^2 \geq 3.5$	RT	532	564.80	1.06



## Results of the Fits

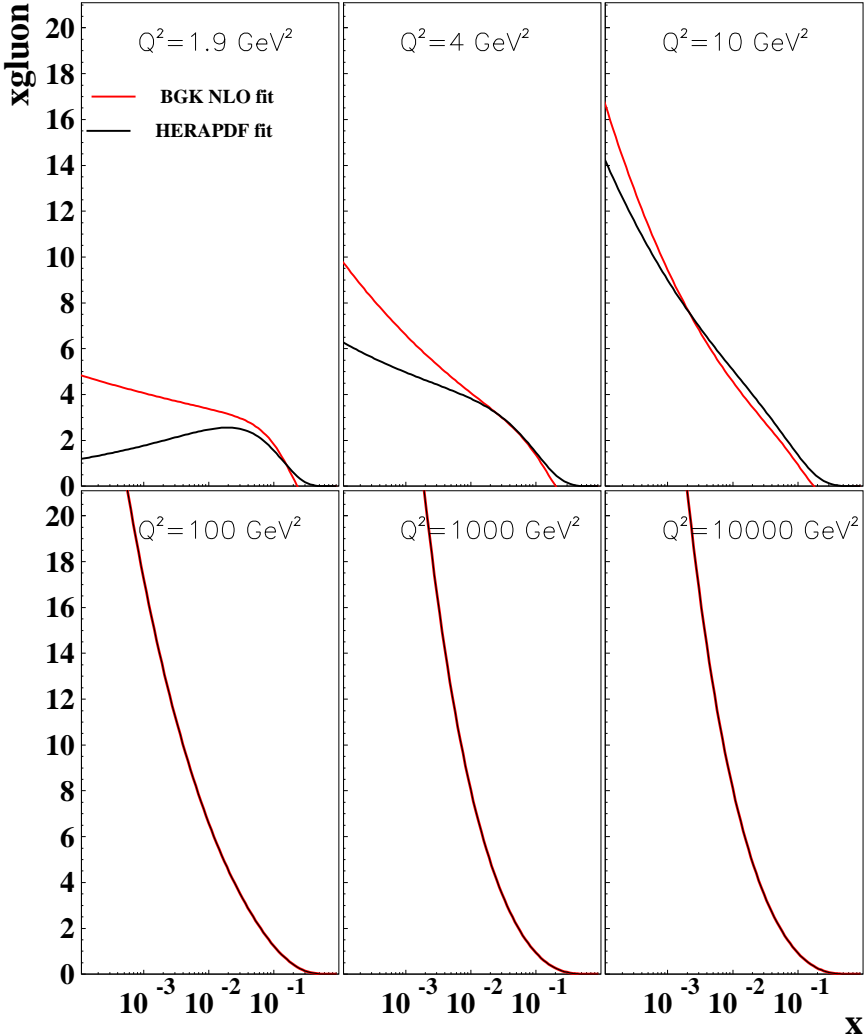
- $m_{u,d,s} = 140 \text{ MeV}, m_c = 1.3 \text{ GeV}$
- $\hat{\sigma}(r, x) = \sigma_0 \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[ -\pi^2 r^2 \alpha_s(\mu^2) x g(x, \mu^2) / (3\sigma_0) \right] \right\}$  with saturation

$Q_{min}^2 [\text{GeV}^2]$	$\sigma_0 [\text{mb}]$	$A_g$	$\lambda_g$	$Cg$	$Dg$	$Eg$	$N_{df}$	$\chi^2$	$\chi^2/N_{df}$
3.5	$77.6 \pm$	$2.6166 \pm$	$-0.0636 \pm$	$37.114 \pm$	$3.0597 \pm$	$1406.4 \pm$	532	534.17	1.00
	18,6	0.158	0.0087	5.057	6.510	552.65			
8.5	$63.5 \pm$	$2.112 \pm$	$-0.0541 \pm$	$21.341 \pm$	$1.098 \pm$	$867.23 \pm$	448	439.04	0.98
	18.5	0.101	0.0065	4.062	5.764	423.67			

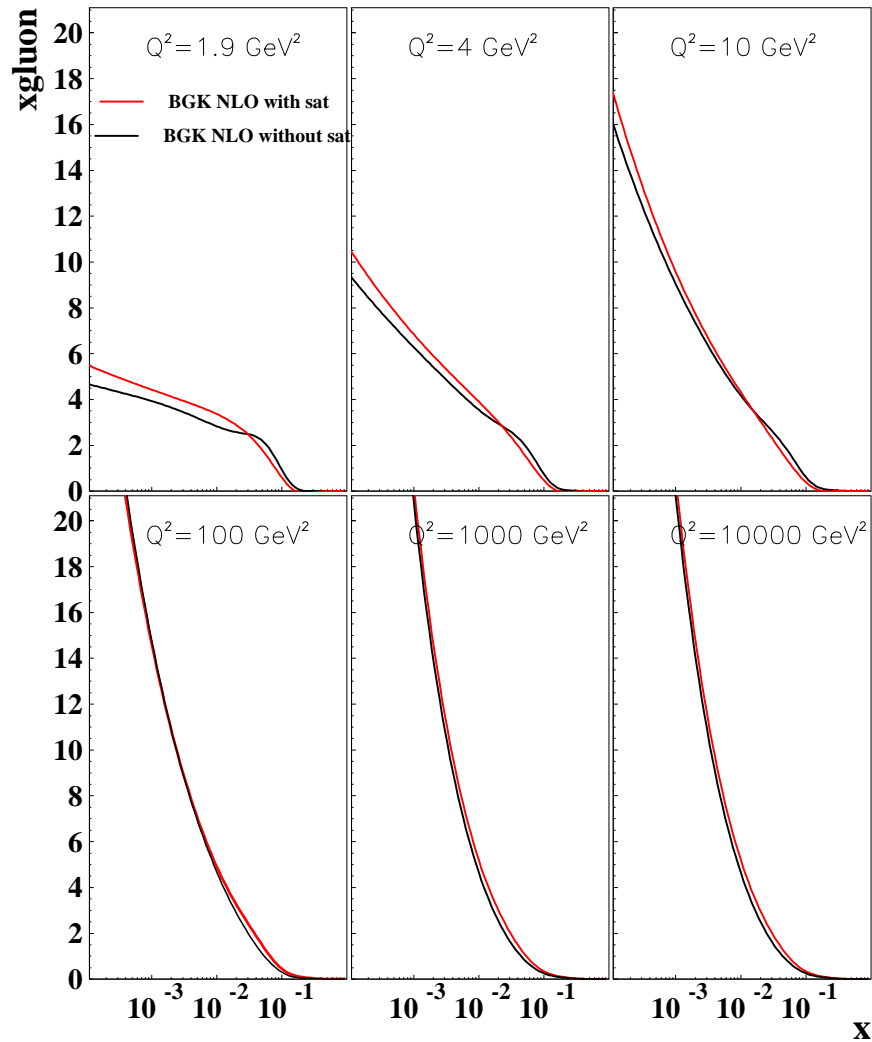
- $\hat{\sigma}(r, x) = \sigma_0 \left[ \pi^2 r^2 \alpha_s(\mu^2) x g(x, \mu^2) / (3\sigma_0) \right]$  without saturation

$Q_{min}^2 [\text{GeV}^2]$	$A_g$	$\lambda_g$	$Cg$	$Dg$	$Eg$	$N_{df}$	$\chi^2$	$\chi^2/N_p$
3.5	$2.3313 \pm$	$-0.0936 \pm$	$14.762 \pm$	$9.802 \pm$	$-99.503 \pm$	533	556.17	1.04
	0.100	0.0056	11.546	14.668	74.830			

# Gluon density

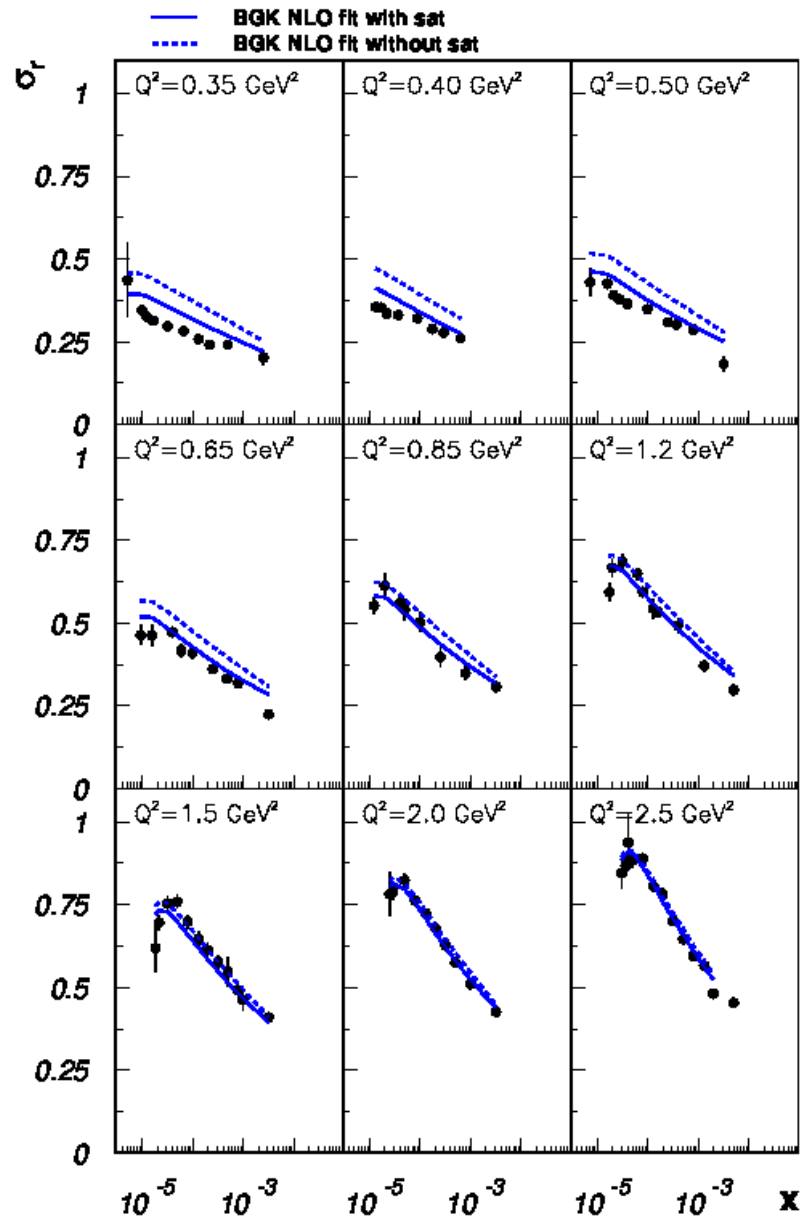


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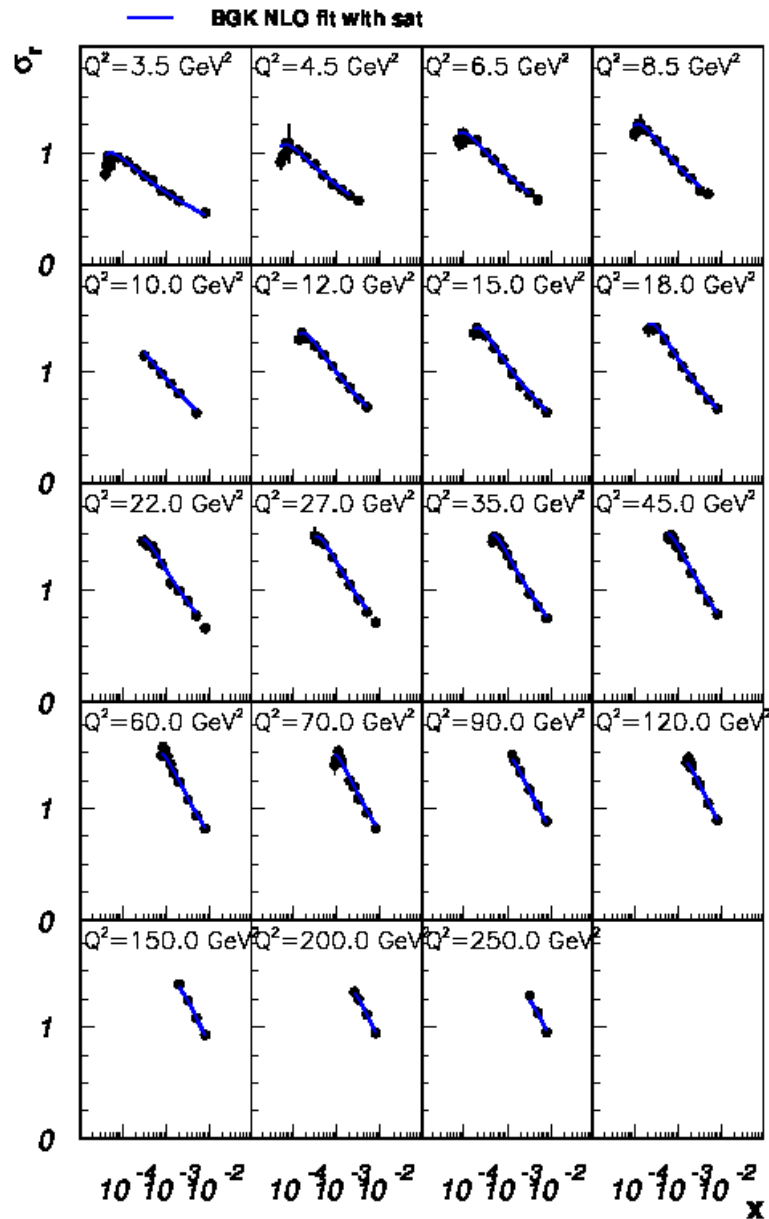


• The differences are disappearing at larger  $Q^2$ .

# Comparison with HERA I+II data



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# Summary

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- BGK dipole fits (with saturation) describe the final, high precision HERA data with  $x < 0.01$ , very well:  $\chi^2/N_p \rightarrow 1$ .
- Little sensitivity to valence quarks contribution observed.
- Gluon density from the dipole models is higher than the PDFs gluon at low  $Q^2$ .
- The extrapolation to the very low  $Q^2$  region shows a sizable overshoot. This indicates that at very low  $Q^2$  saturation effects of the eikonal approximation are too small.
- The fit in the whole  $Q^2$  region,  $0.3 < Q^2 < 250 \text{ GeV}^2$  is only slightly better than in the extrapolated case. The systematic overshoot of the fits over data remains.
- The  $\chi^2/N_{df}$  in the region:  $0.3 < Q^2 < 250 \text{ GeV}^2$  is sizably higher than in the fits in the region  $3.5 < Q^2 < 250 \text{ GeV}^2$ ,  $\chi^2/N_{df} = 1.21$ , with the saturation ansatz and  $\chi^2/N_{df} = 1.52$  without the saturation ansatz.
- In the lower  $Q^2 < 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$  range the saturated ansatz of the gluon density seems to be preferred.

# Dipole scattering amplitude with GBW parametrization

- GBW parametrization with heavy quarks  $f = u, d, s, c$

$$\hat{\sigma}(r, x) = \sigma_0 \left(1 - \exp(-r^2/R_s^2)\right), \quad R_s^2 = 4 \cdot (x/x_0)^\lambda \text{ GeV}^2$$

- The dipole scattering amplitude in such a case reads

$$\hat{N}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{b}, x) = \theta(b_0 - b) \left(1 - \exp(-r^2/R_s^2)\right)$$

where

$$\hat{\sigma}(r, x) = 2 \int d^2b \hat{N}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{b}, x)$$

- Parameters  $b_0$ ,  $x_0$  and  $\lambda$  from fits of  $\hat{N}$  to  $F_2$  data

$$\lambda = 0.288 \quad x_0 = 4 \cdot 10^{-5} \quad 2\pi b_0^2 = \sigma_0 = 29 \text{ mb}$$