

# Power counting to jet quenching

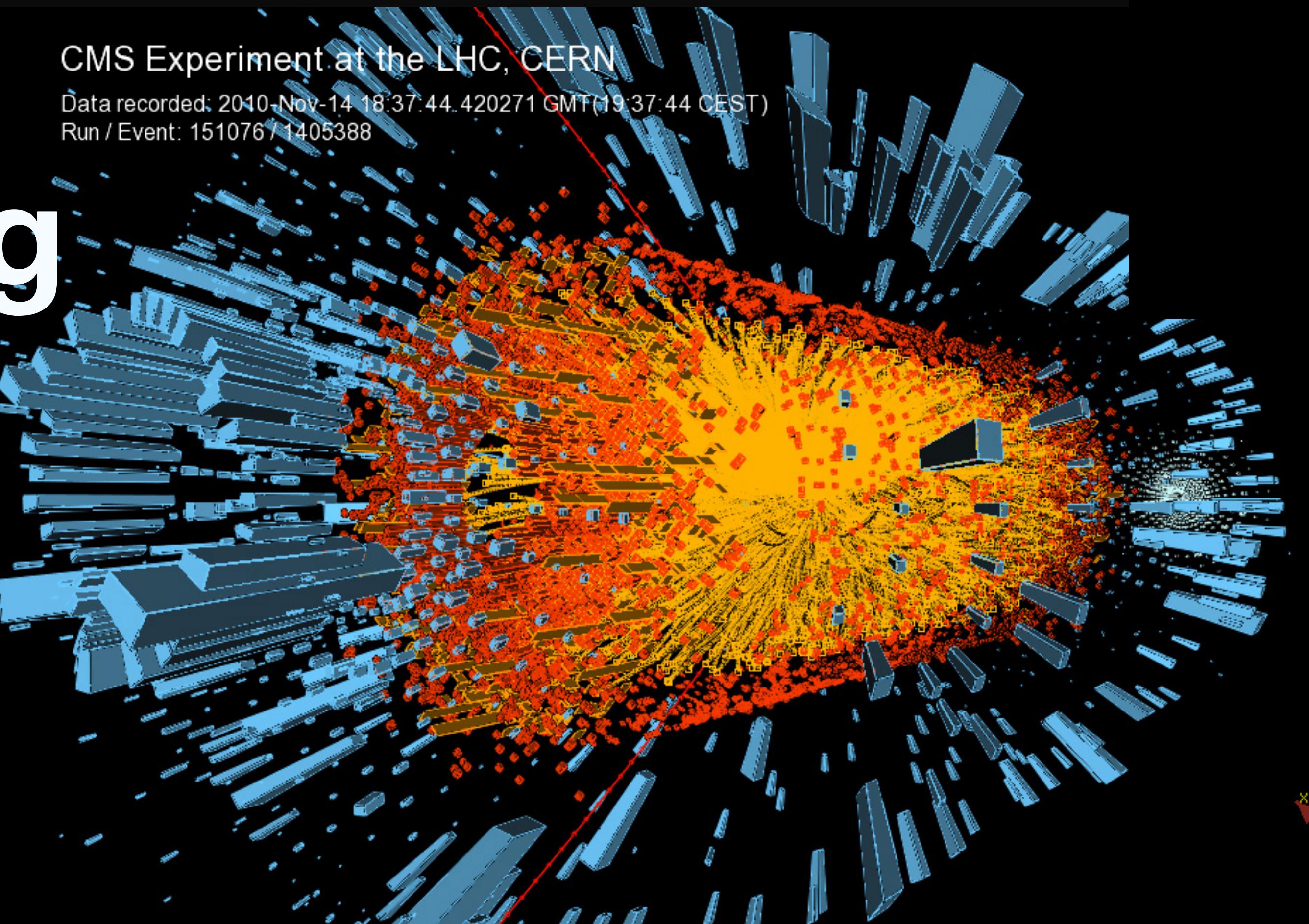
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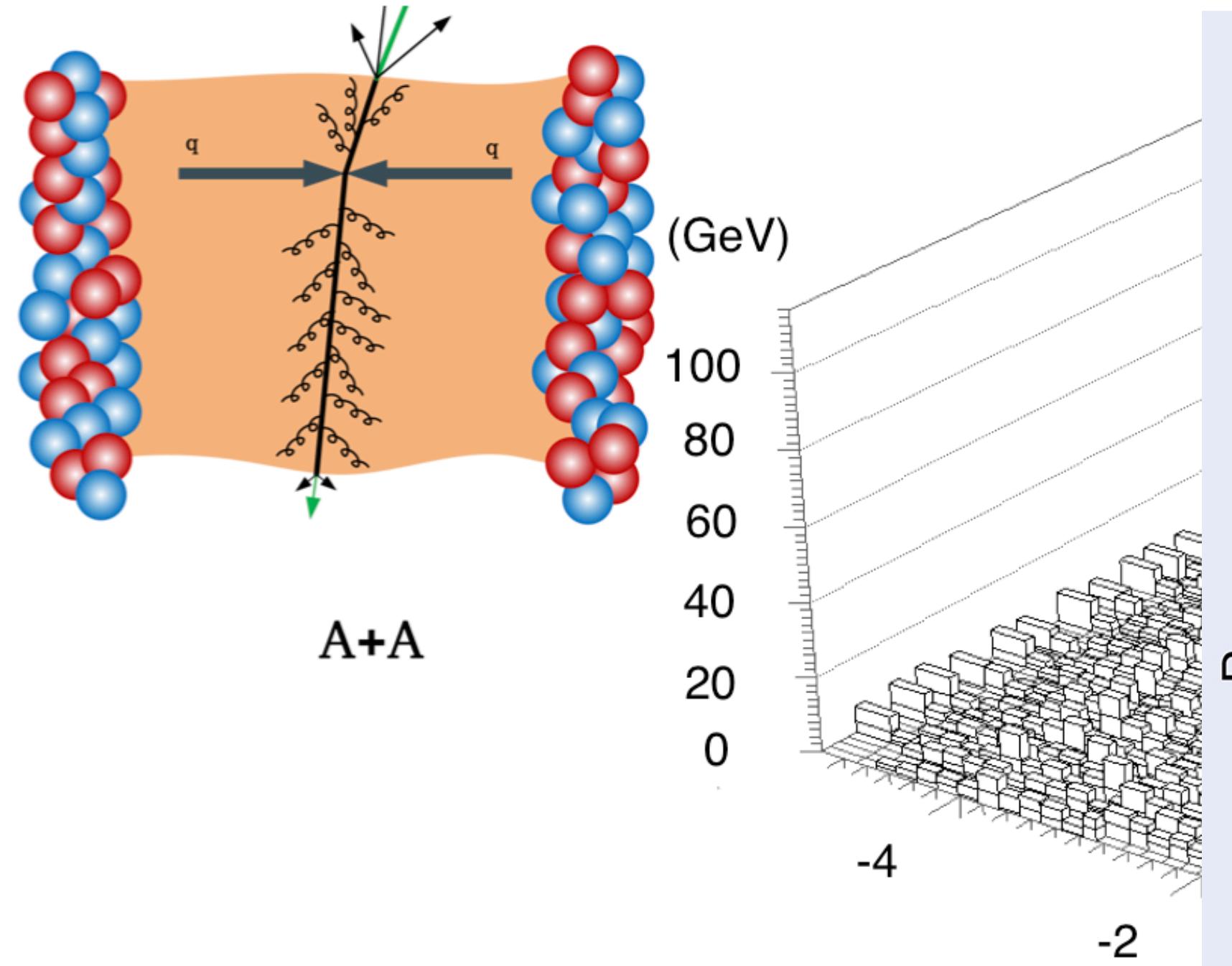


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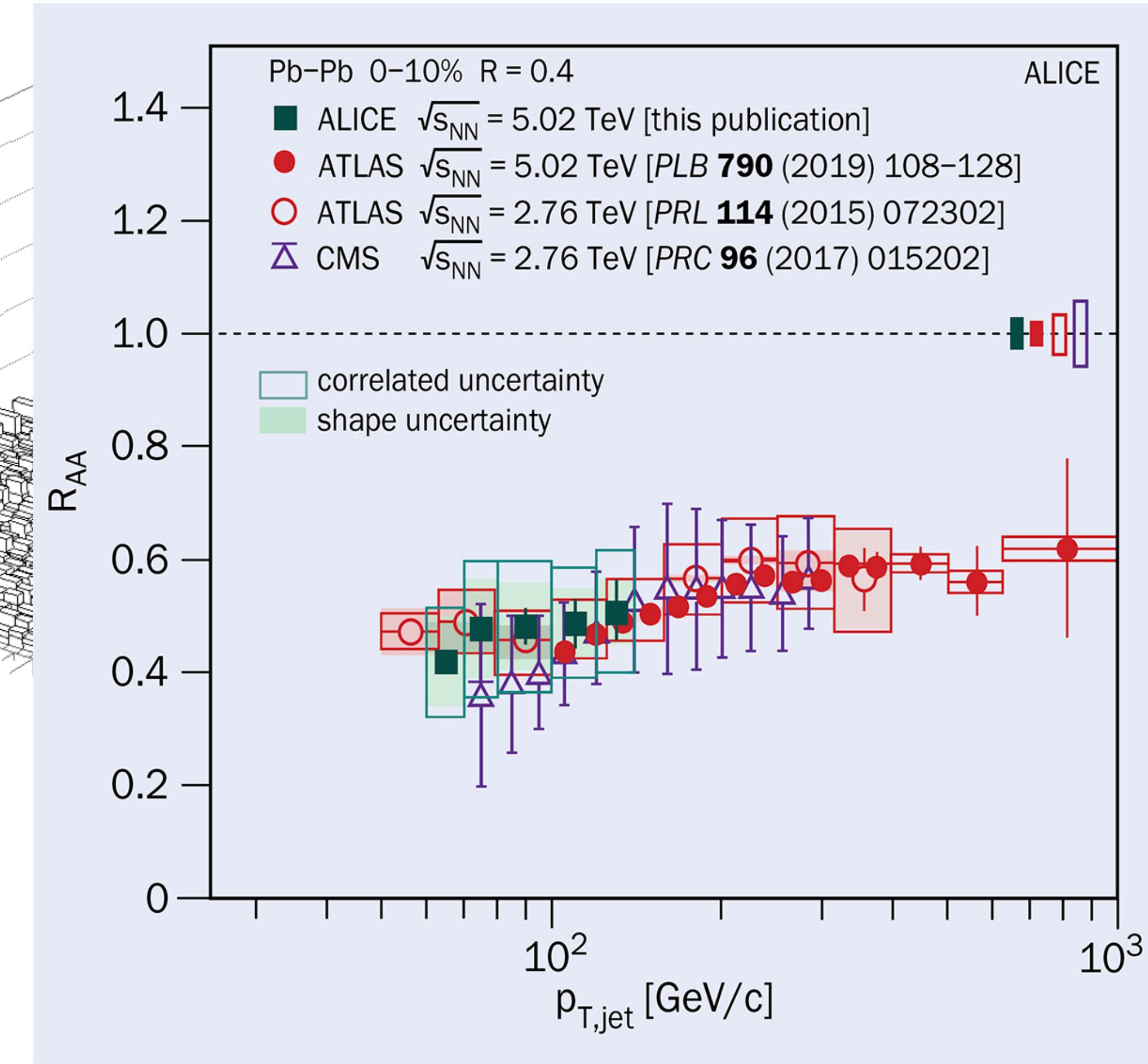
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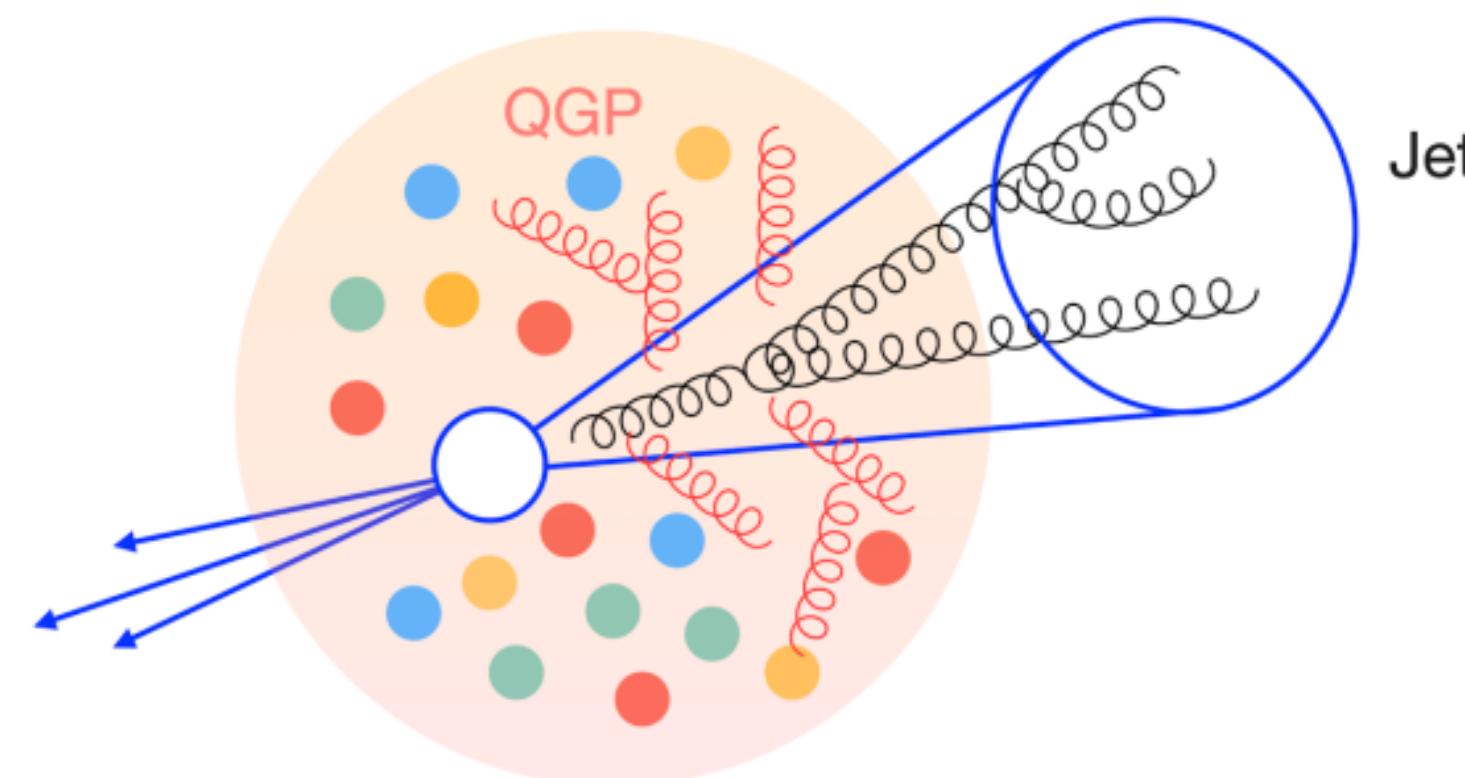
# Jets lose energy and are “Quenched”



- We can use the jet to access the microscopic structure of the strongly coupled QGP.



# Key questions for jet evolution in QGP

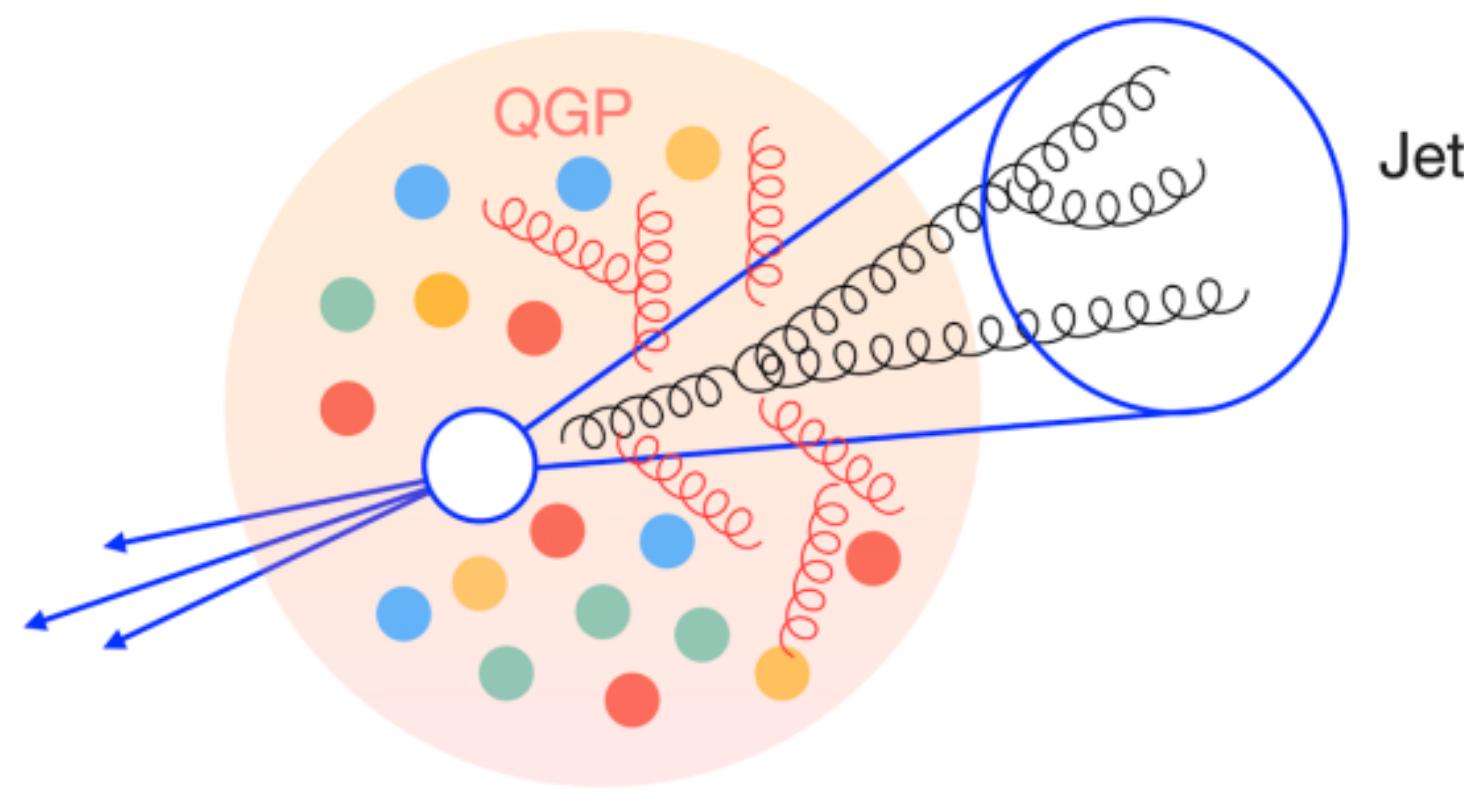


- **Separate** the **perturbative physics** from the non-perturbative by scale
- **Parameterize** the **non-perturbative physics** in terms of Gauge invariant operators → e.g the PDF in DIS, Drell Yan, Higgs production etc.
- **Prove** (disprove) universality of non-perturbative physics across jet observables  
→ **Universality** gives **predictive power** !

We rely on EFT approach to factorization → Explicitly separate physics at widely separated scales to all orders in  $\alpha_s$ .

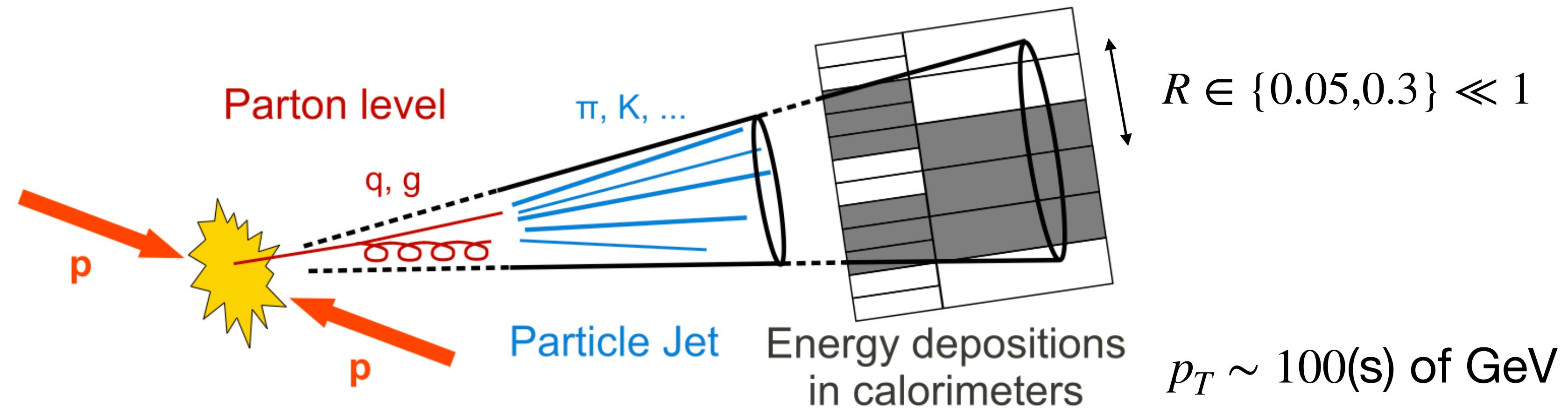
# Goal of this talk

- Can we factorize jet evolution in Quark Gluon plasma by scale?

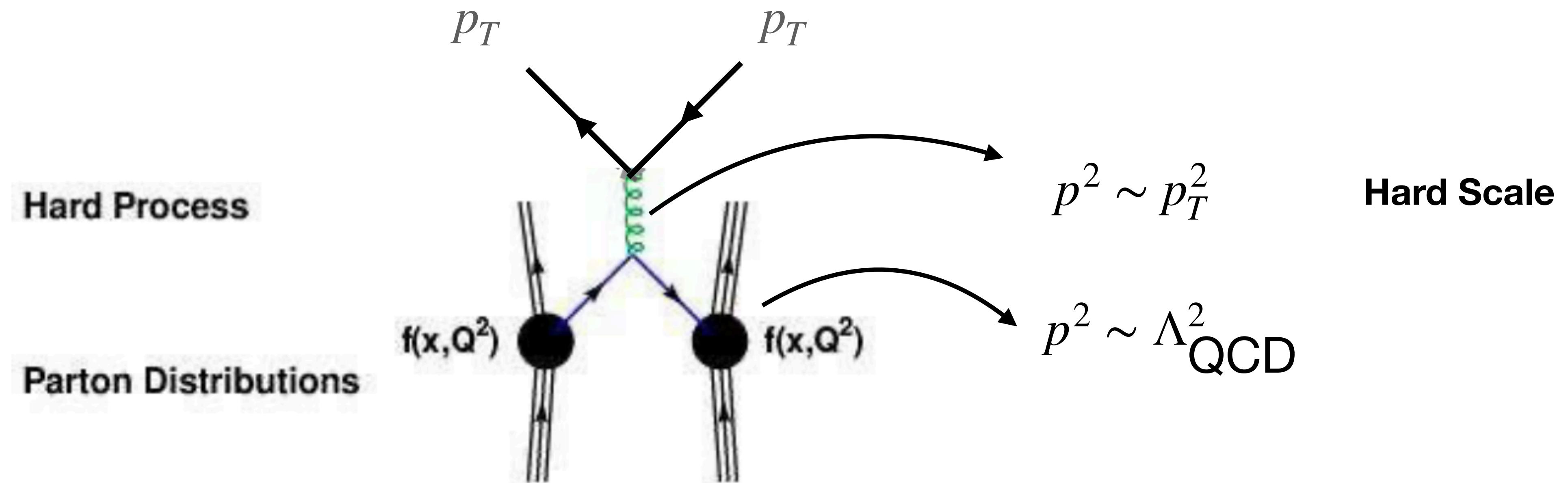


# Chapter 1

## Anatomy of a vacuum jet

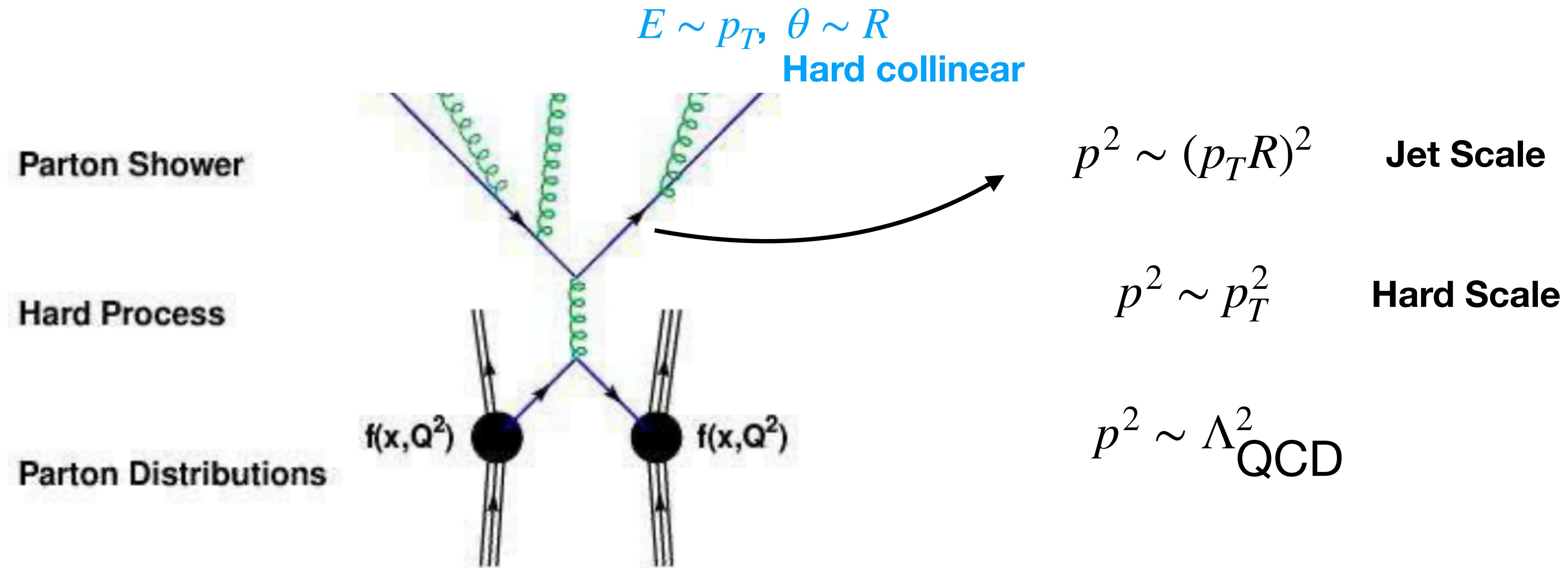


# Tree level

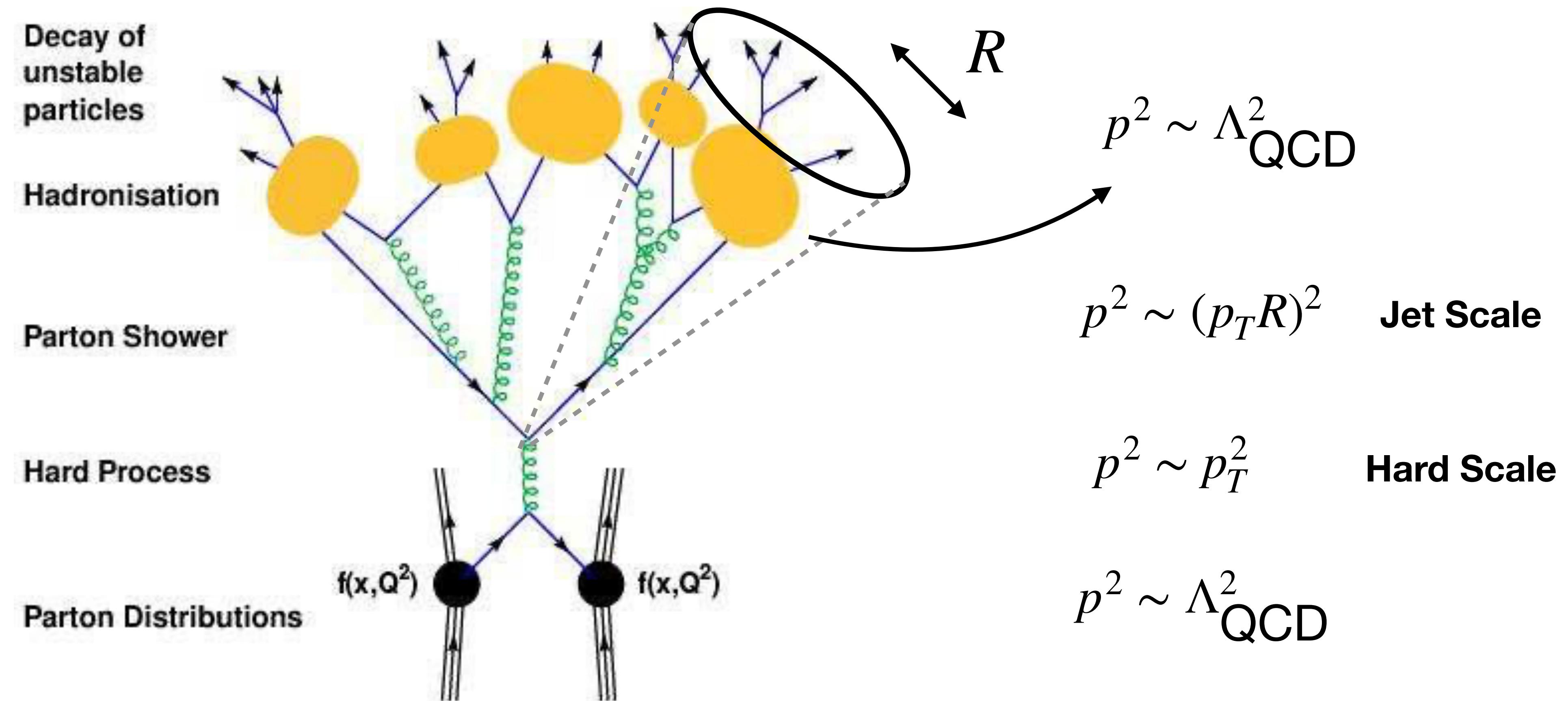


# The parton shower

- Parton splittings preferentially happen at small angles → “collinear”
- Selecting events with a jet of radius  $R$  sets the angular scale for collinear splittings.



# Hadronization



# A separation of scales

$$\frac{d\sigma^{pp \rightarrow \text{jet}X}}{dp_T d\eta} = \frac{2p_T}{s} \sum_{a,b,c} \int_{x_a^{\min}}^1 \frac{dx_a}{x_a} f_a(x_a, \mu) \int_{x_b^{\min}}^1 \frac{dx_b}{x_b} f_b(x_b, \mu)$$

Physics at scale  $\Lambda_{QCD}$

$$\times \int \frac{dz}{z} H(z, x_a, x_b, \mu) J_c(z, p_T, R, \mu) + O(R^2) + O\left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{(p_T R)^2}\right)$$

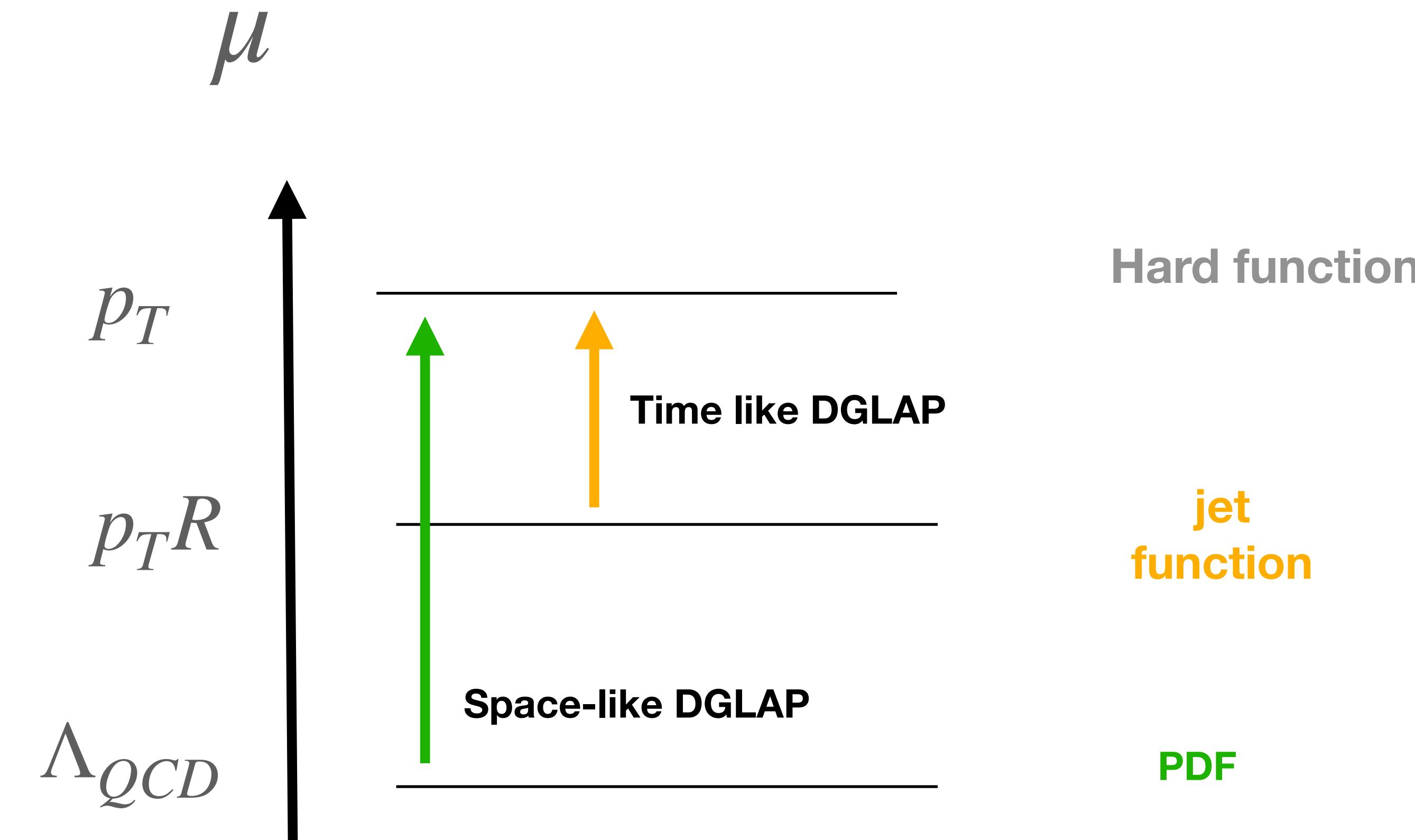
Hard function  
at  $p_T$

Jet function at  $p_T R$

The semi-inclusive jet function in SCET  
and small radius resummation for  
inclusive jet production

Zhong-bo Kang, Felix Ringer and Ivan Vitev  
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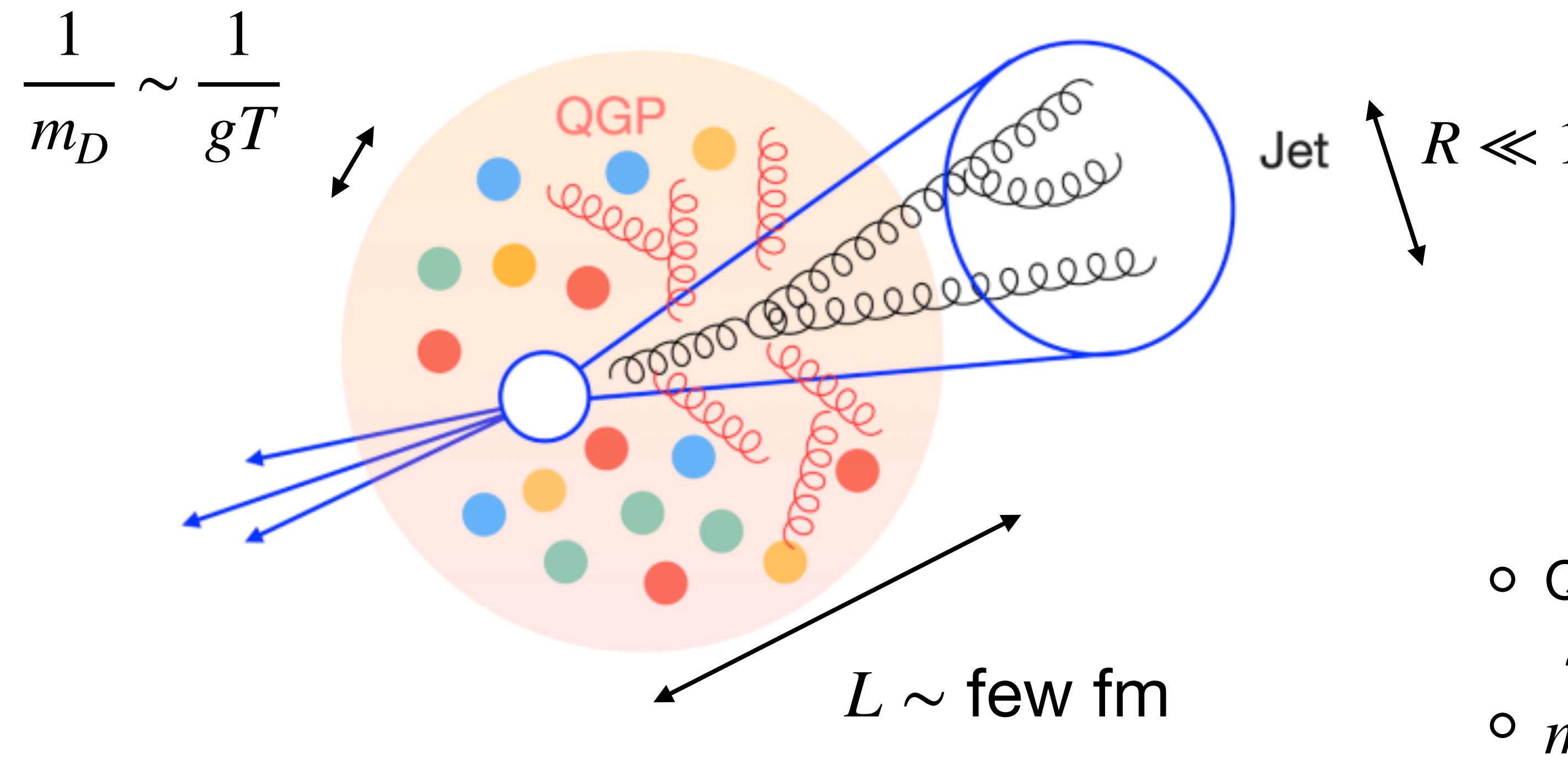
# RG Flow



# **Chapter 2**

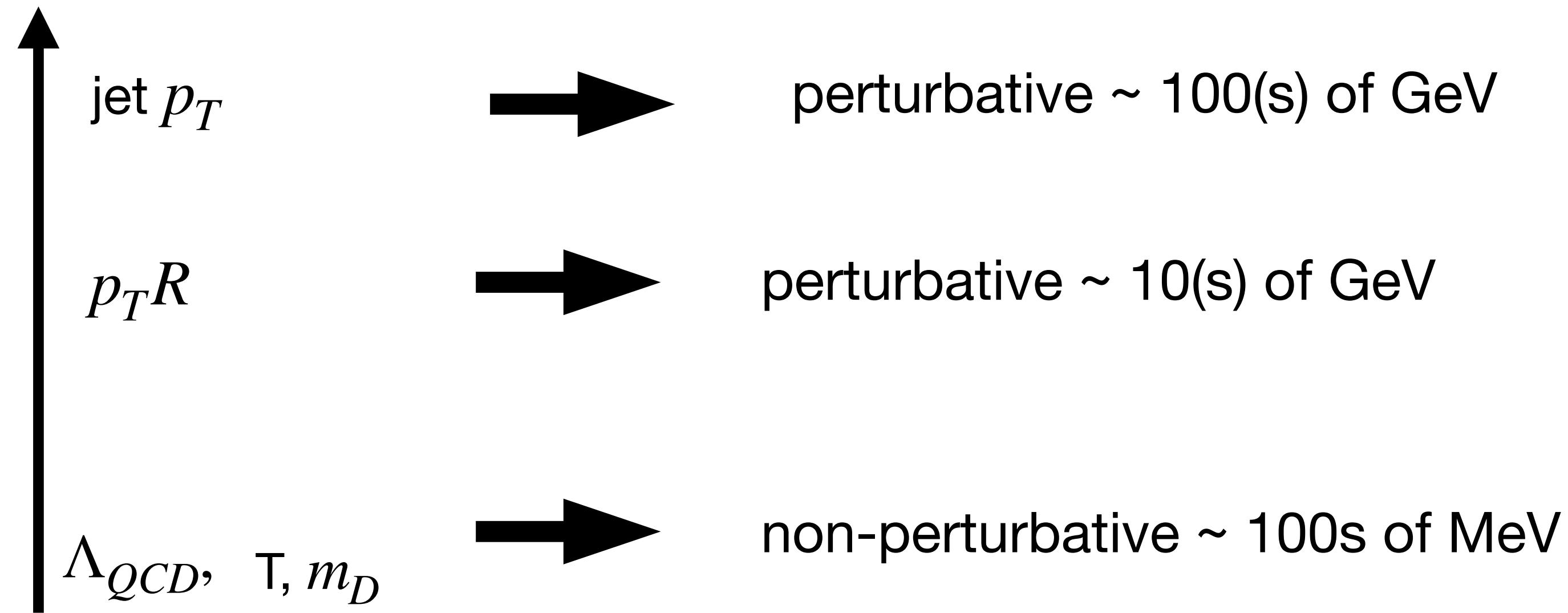
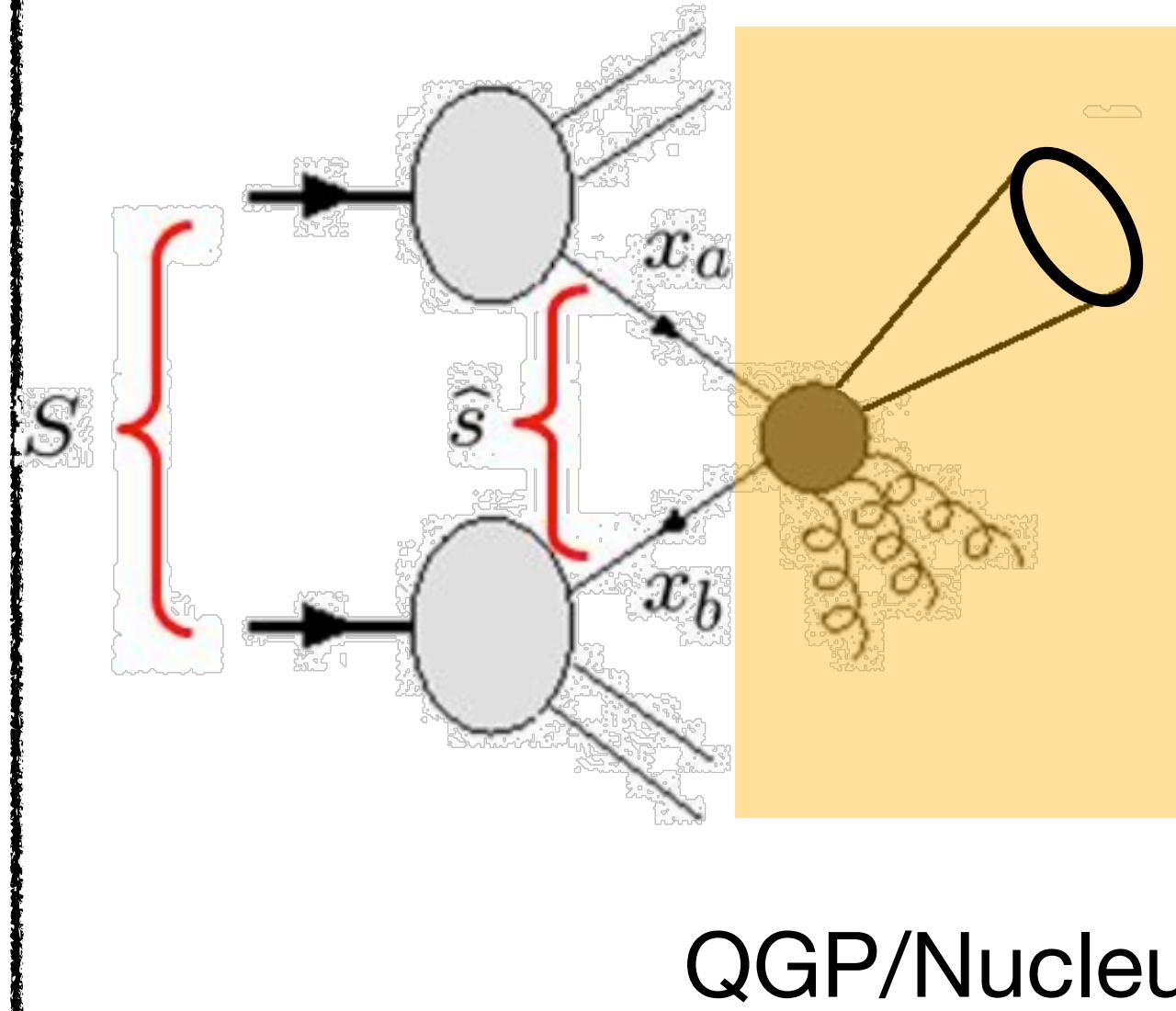
**Introducing the  
QGP medium**

# New medium scales

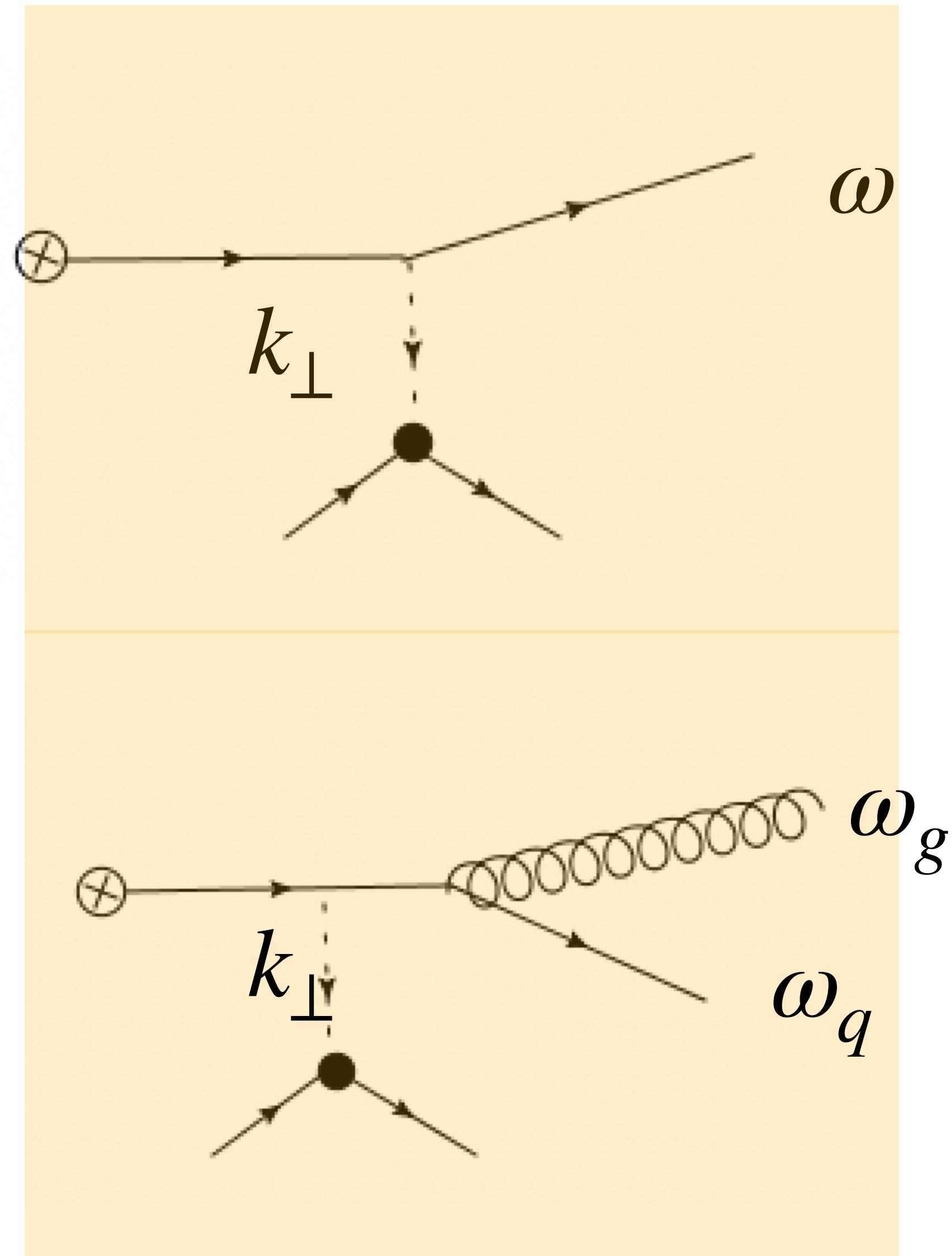


- QGP temperature  $T$   
 $\sim 300 - 800$  MeV
- $m_D \sim T$

# The basic hierarchy



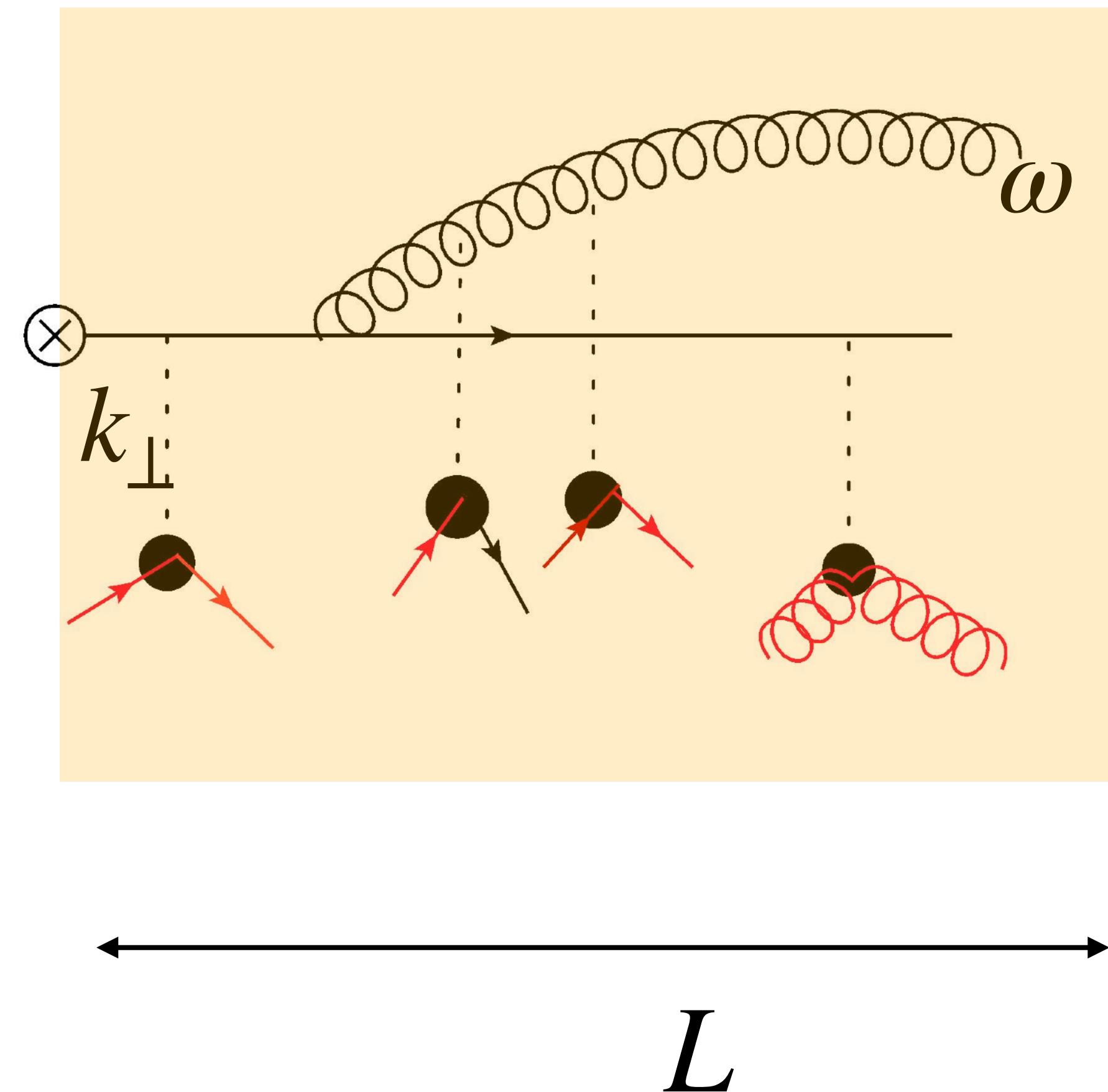
# Parton in the medium



Coulomb like instantaneous “Glauber”  
gluon exchange  $\sim \frac{1}{k_\perp^2}$

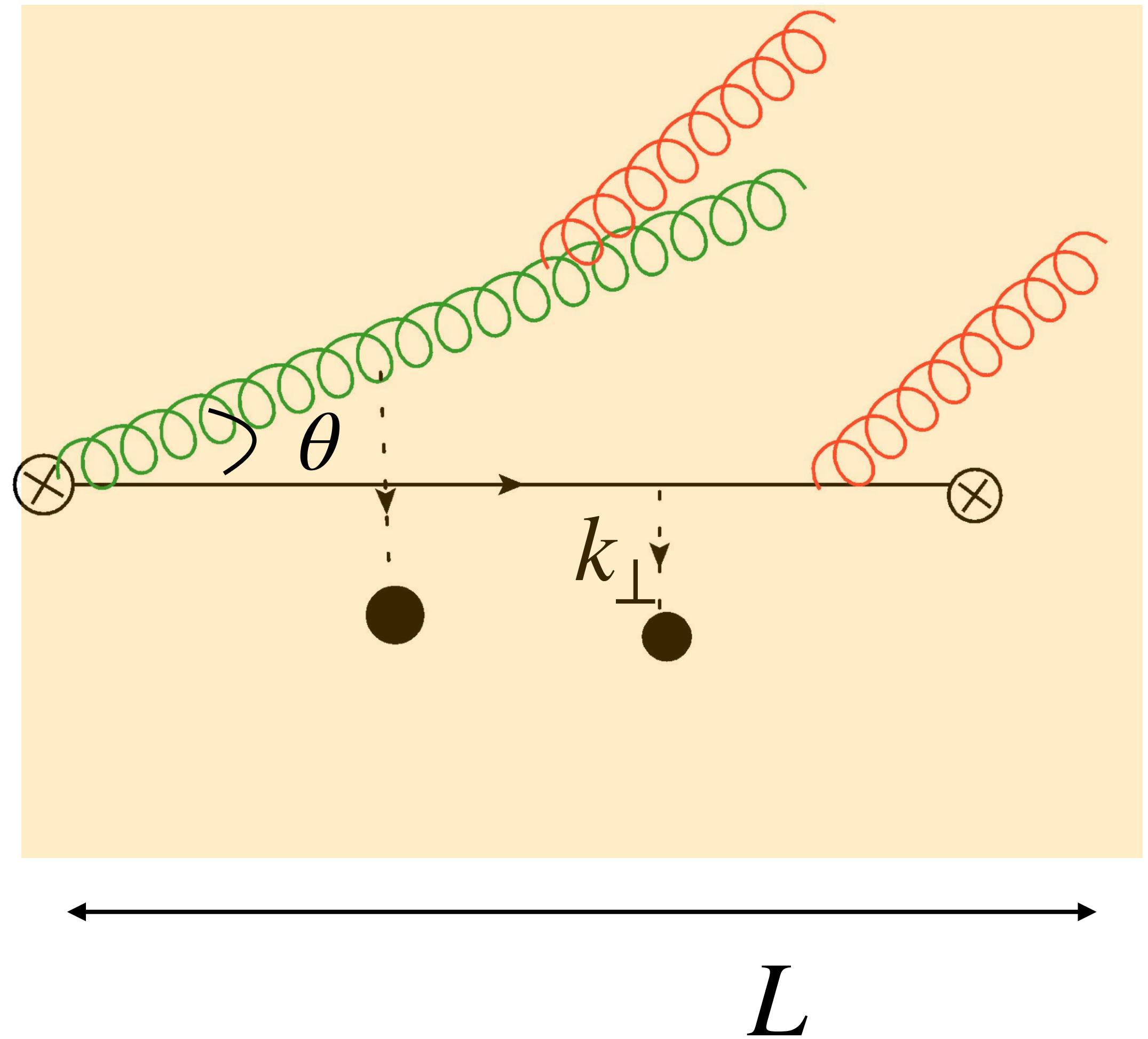
- Elastic forward scattering
- Medium induced radiation
- Typical  $k_\perp \sim m_D$ ,
- Angle of deflection  $\theta \sim \frac{k_\perp}{\omega} \ll 1$
- An EFT with  $\theta$  as the expansion parameter →

# Multiple interactions



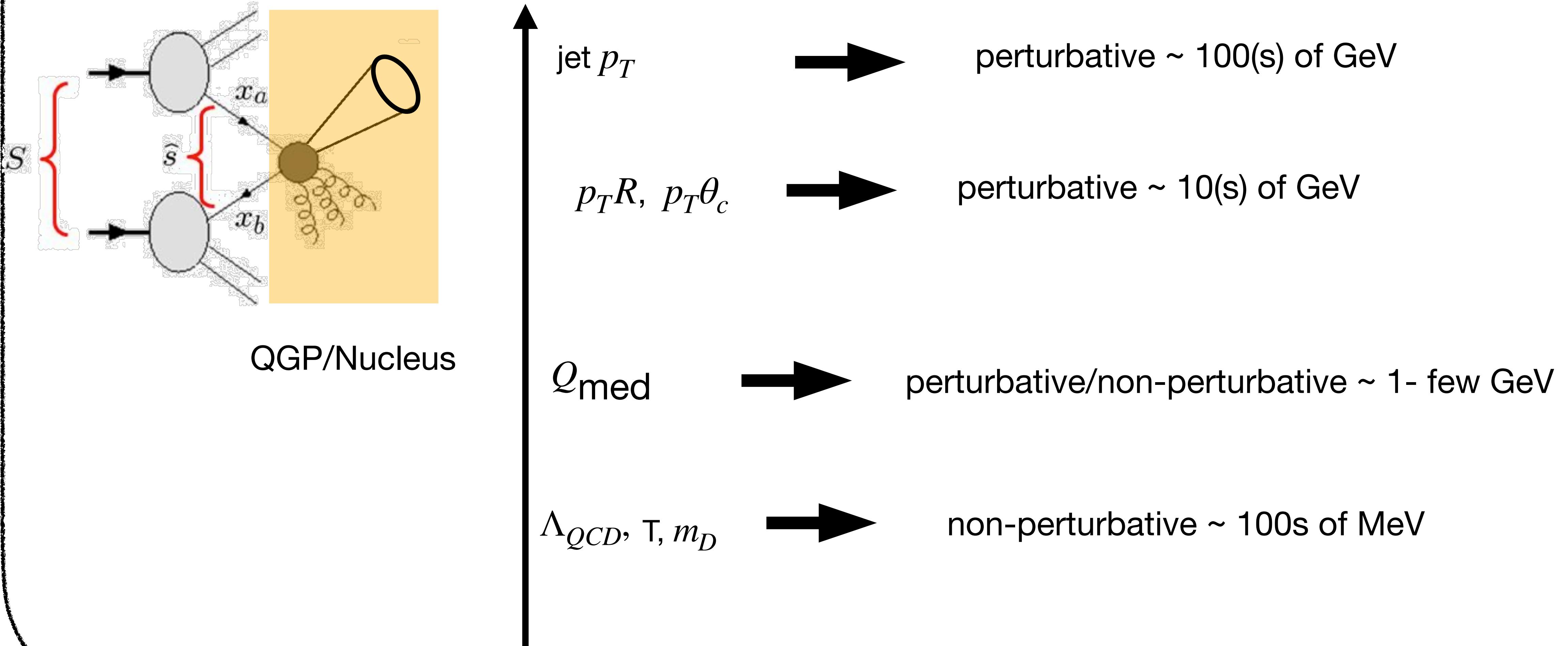
- $Q_{\text{med}} \rightarrow$  Total average transverse kick per parton  $\geq m_D$
- For a dense medium, perturbative?

# Critical angle



- ° Critical angle of the medium  $\theta_c \sim \frac{1}{Q_{\text{med}} L}$
- ° Energetic partons separated by  $\theta \gg \theta_c$  act as independent sources of medium induced radiation

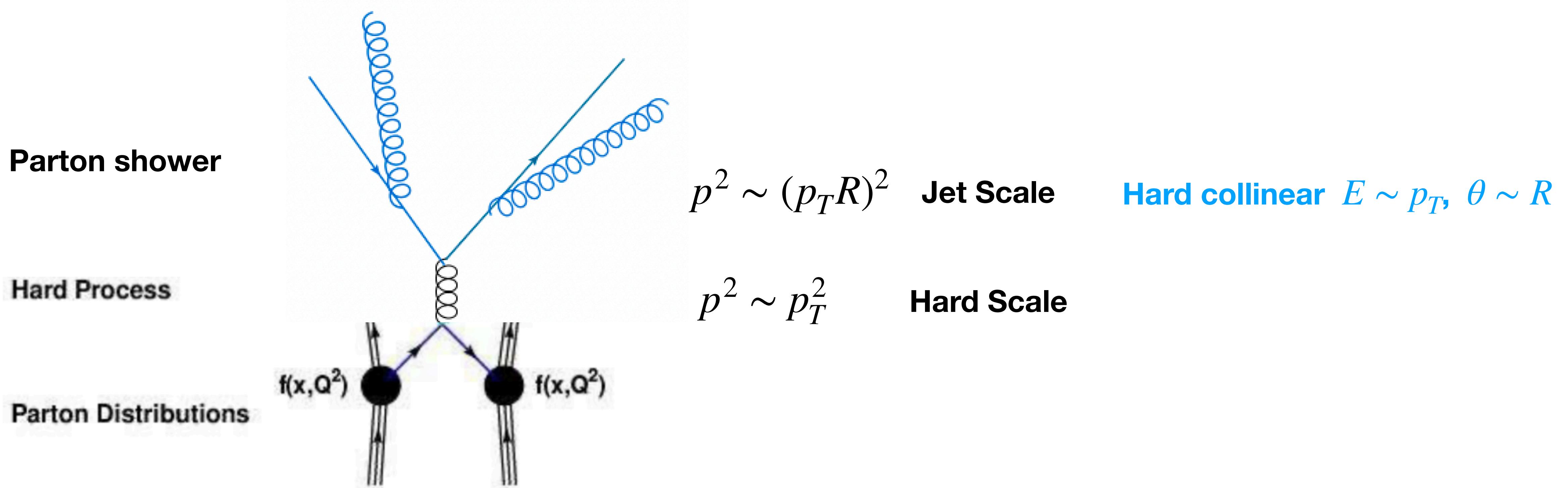
# The updated hierarchy



# **Chapter 3**

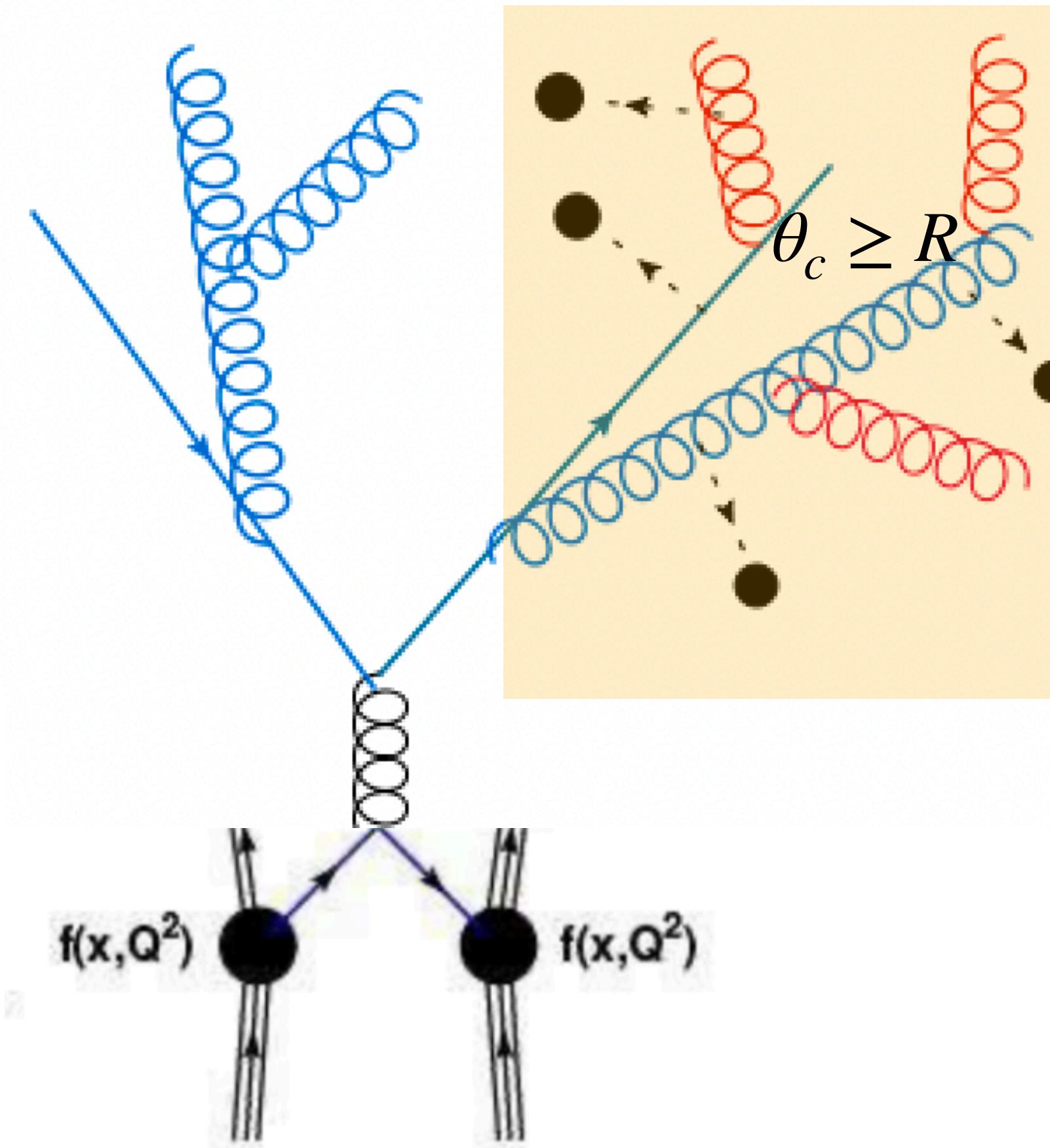
**Jet propagation  
in the medium**

# The physical picture



- The hard process and parton shower for scales  $\sim p_T R$  remain unaffected by the medium

# The physical picture



$$p^2 \sim Q_{\text{med}}^2$$

**Medium Scale**

**collinear soft**  $\theta \sim R, E \sim Q_{\text{med}}/R$

$$p^2 \sim (p_T R)^2$$

**Jet Scale**

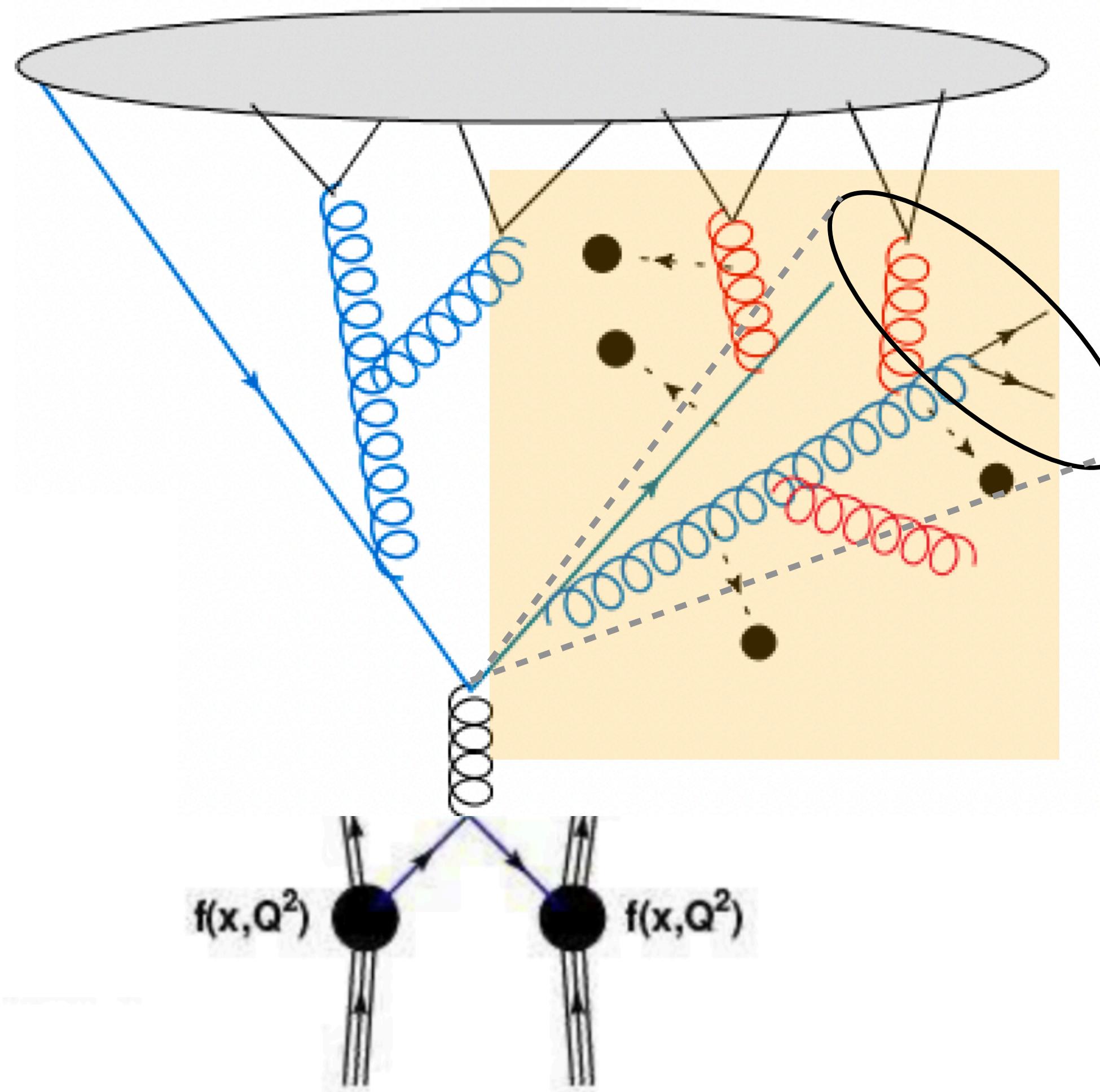
**Hard collinear**  $E \sim p_T, \theta \sim R$

$$p^2 \sim p_T^2$$

**Hard Scale**

- ° Each hard collinear parton separated by  $\theta_c$  acts as a source for collinear soft radiation at virtuality  $\sim Q_{\text{med}}^2$

# The physical picture



$p^2 \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2$

**Hadronization**

$p^2 \sim Q_{\text{med}}^2$

**Medium Scale**

**collinear soft**

$p^2 \sim (p_T R)^2$

**Jet Scale**

**Hard collinear**

$p^2 \sim p_T^2$

**Hard Scale**

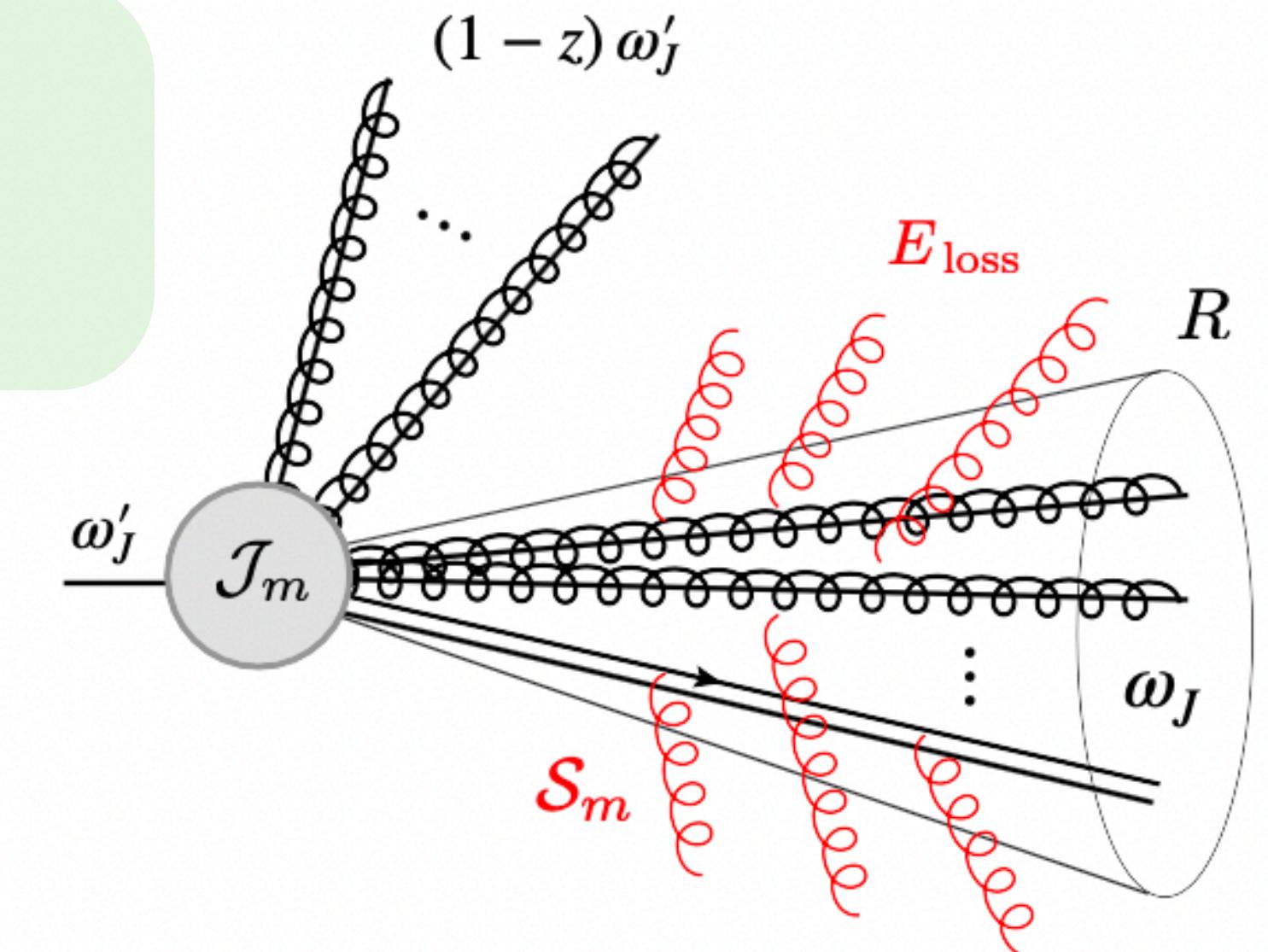
**Hard radiation**

# The EFT picture

$$\frac{d\sigma^{AA \rightarrow \text{jet}X}}{dp_T d\eta} = \frac{2p_T}{s} \sum_{a,b,c} \int_{x_a^{\min}}^1 \frac{dx_a}{x_a} f_a(x_a, \mu) \int_{x_b^{\min}}^1 \frac{dx_b}{x_b} f_b(x_b, \mu)$$

$$\times \int \frac{dz}{z} H(z, x_a, x_b, \mu)$$

**Hard process  $\rightarrow$  Wilson coeff at  $p_T$**



$$\times \int_{\omega_J}^{\frac{\omega_J}{z}} d\omega'_J \int d\epsilon \delta(\omega'_J - \omega_J - \epsilon) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{J}_{i \rightarrow m}(\omega'_J, \mu, \theta_c) \otimes_{\theta} S_m(\epsilon, \mu) + O(R^2) + O\left(\frac{Q_{\text{med}}}{p_T R}\right)^2$$

Create  $m$  prongs  $\rightarrow$  Wilson coeff at  $p_T R$

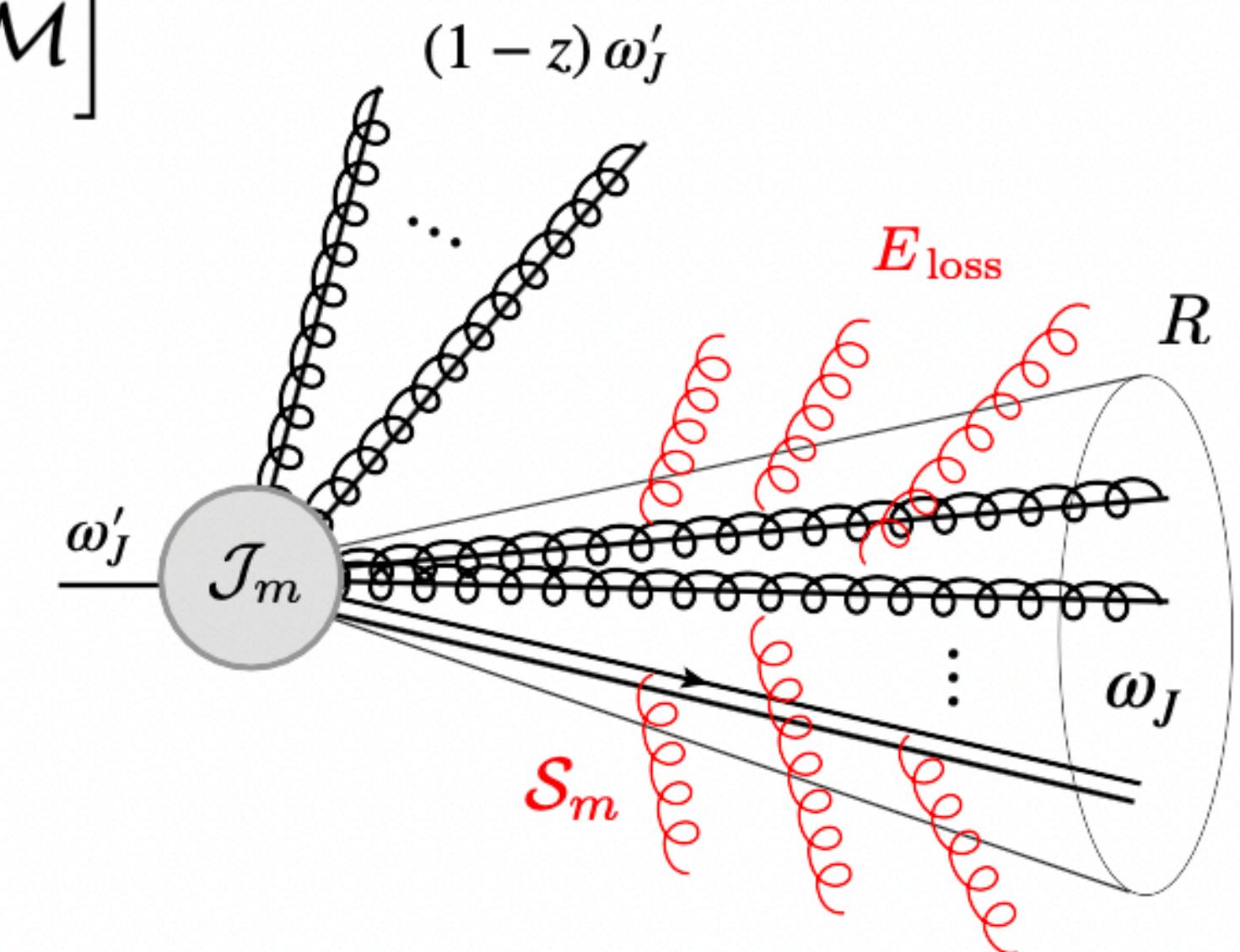
Medium induced  
energy loss function

# The medium energy loss function

$$\mathcal{S}_m(\{\underline{n}\}, \epsilon) \equiv \text{Tr} \left[ U_m(n_m) \dots U_1(n_1) U_0(\bar{n}) \rho_M U_0^\dagger(\bar{n}) U_1^\dagger(n_1) \dots U_m^\dagger(n_m) \mathcal{M} \right]$$

Correlator of m Wilson lines

$$U(n) \equiv \mathcal{P} \exp \left[ ig \int_0^{+\infty} ds n \cdot A_{\text{cs}}(sn) \right]$$

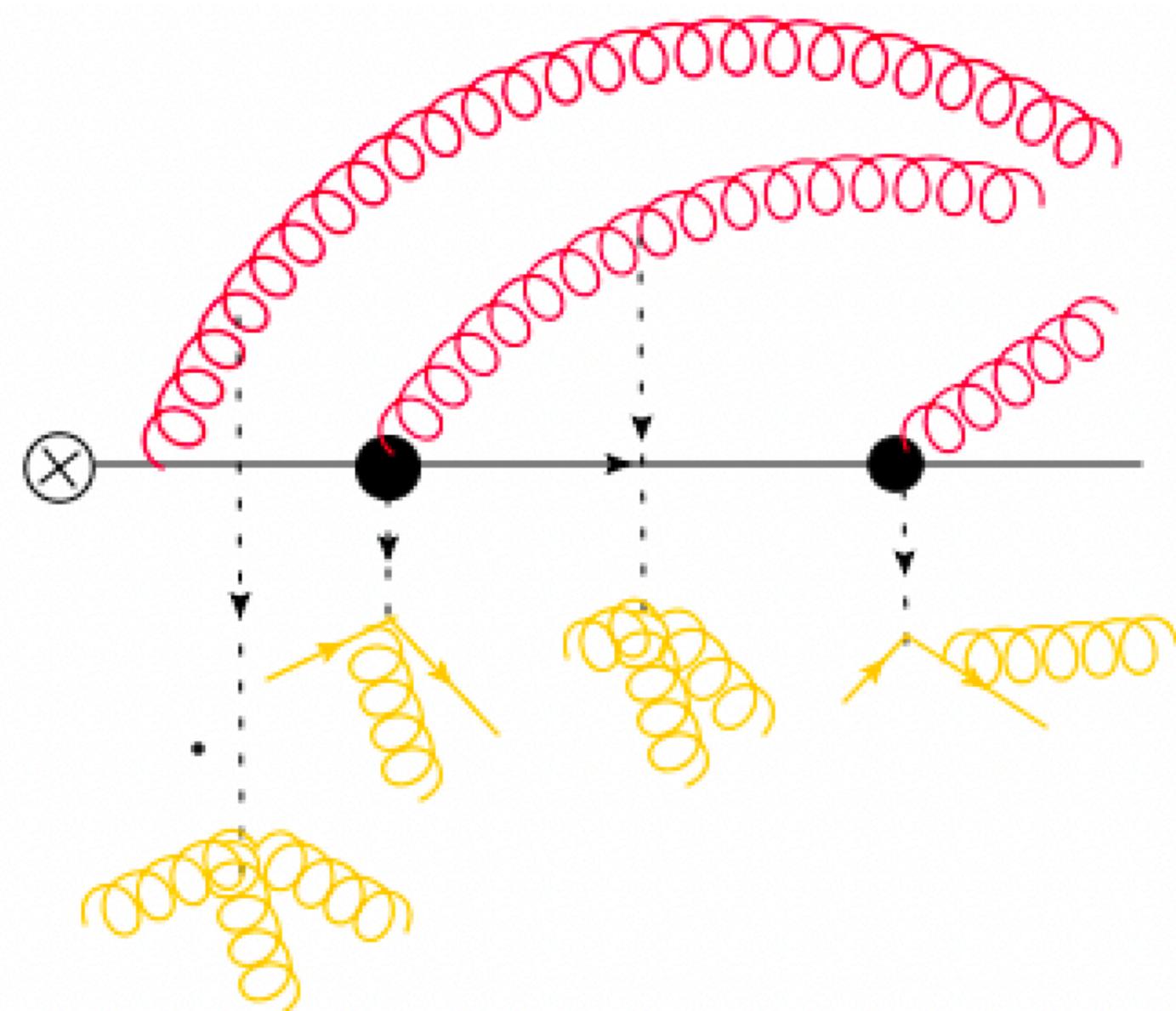


# **Chapter 4**

## **Separating the medium from the jet**

# Looking inside a single prong $S_1$

$$\mathcal{S}_1 = \text{Tr} \left[ U(n) U(\bar{n}) \mathcal{M} U^\dagger(\bar{n}) U^\dagger(n) \right]$$



←  $E \sim Q_{\text{med}}/R, p^2 \sim Q_{\text{med}}^2 \rightarrow \text{Collinear Soft}$

← **Medium partons and dynamics**  
 $E \leq Q_{\text{med}}, p^2 \sim Q_{\text{med}}^2 \rightarrow \text{Soft}$

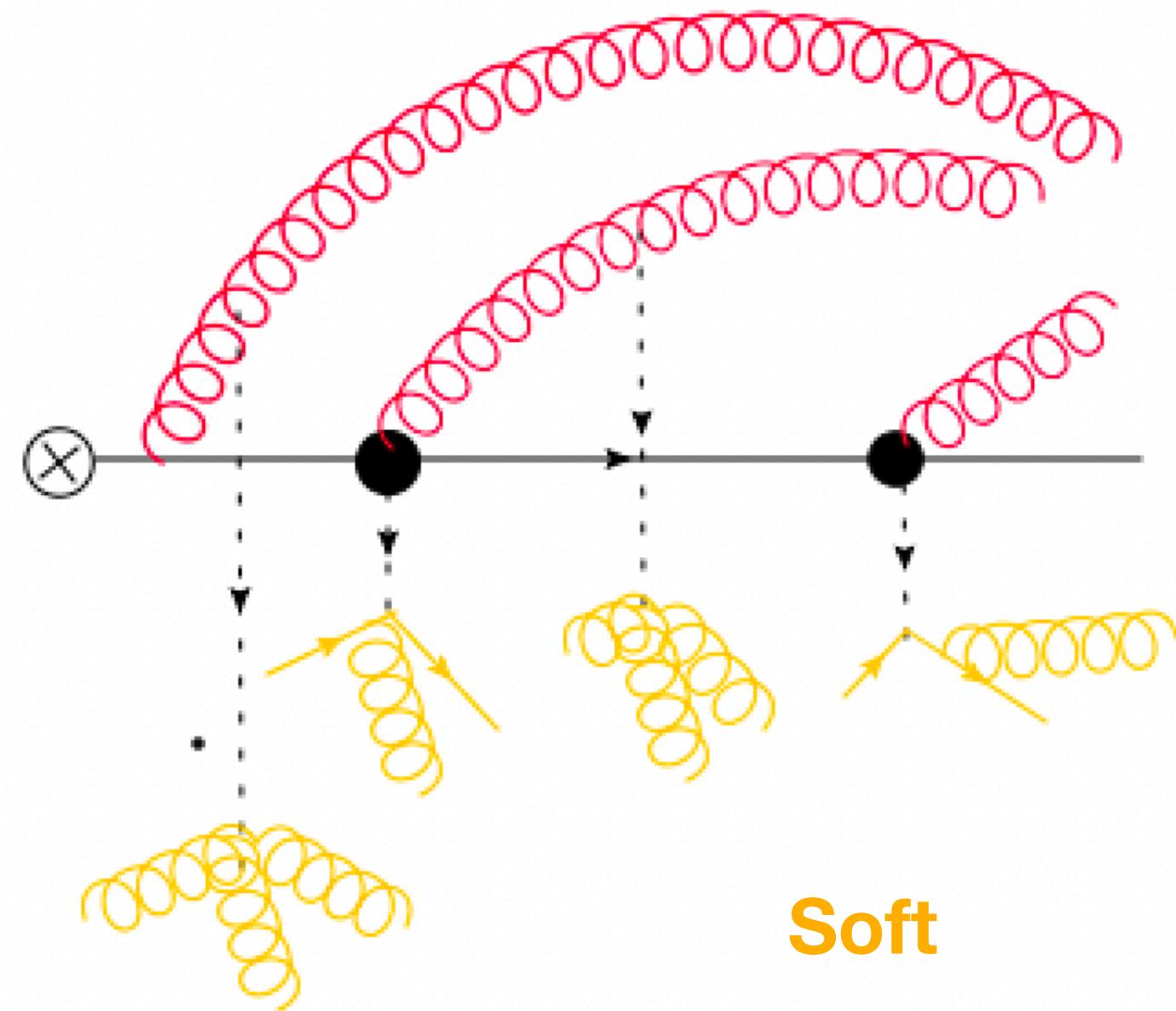
A separation in rapidity

An effective field theory for forward scattering  
and factorization violation  
I. Rothstein, I. Stewart, JHEP 1608 (2016) 025

← **Defines an effective action for CS, S d.o.f at leading power in the scattering angle  $\theta$**

# Looking inside a single prong $S_1$

**Collinear Soft**

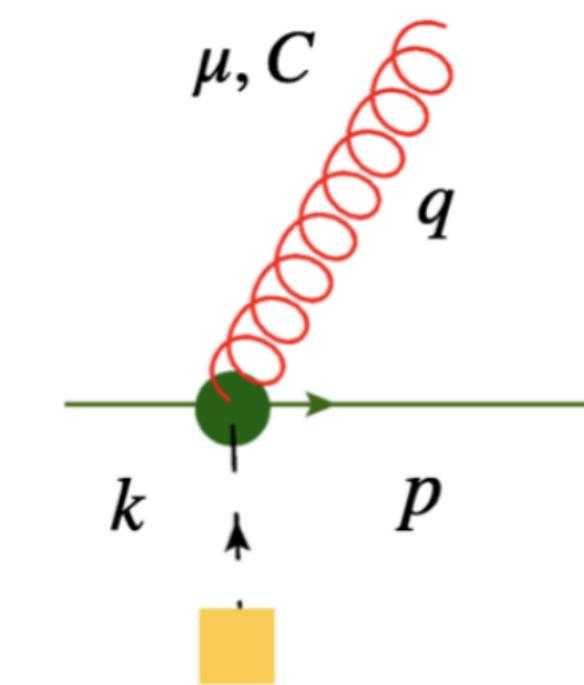
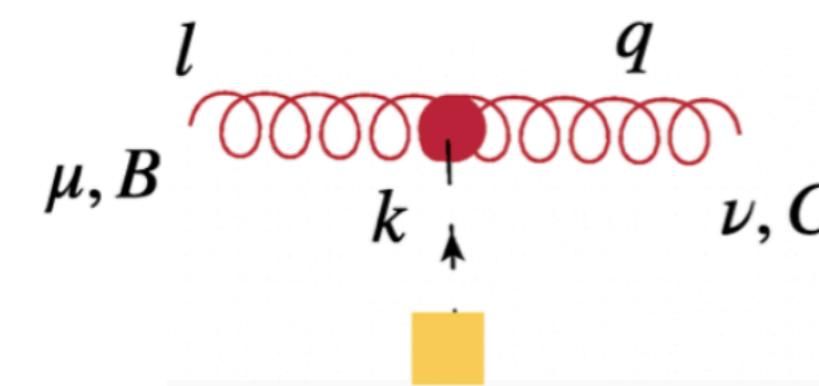


$$\mathcal{S}_1 = \text{Tr} \left[ U(n) U(\bar{n}) \mathcal{M} U^\dagger(\bar{n}) U^\dagger(n) \right]$$

$$\int H dt = \int dt \left[ H_{cs} + H_s + H_G^{cs-s} \right] + \int ds \mathcal{O}_{c-s}(sn)$$

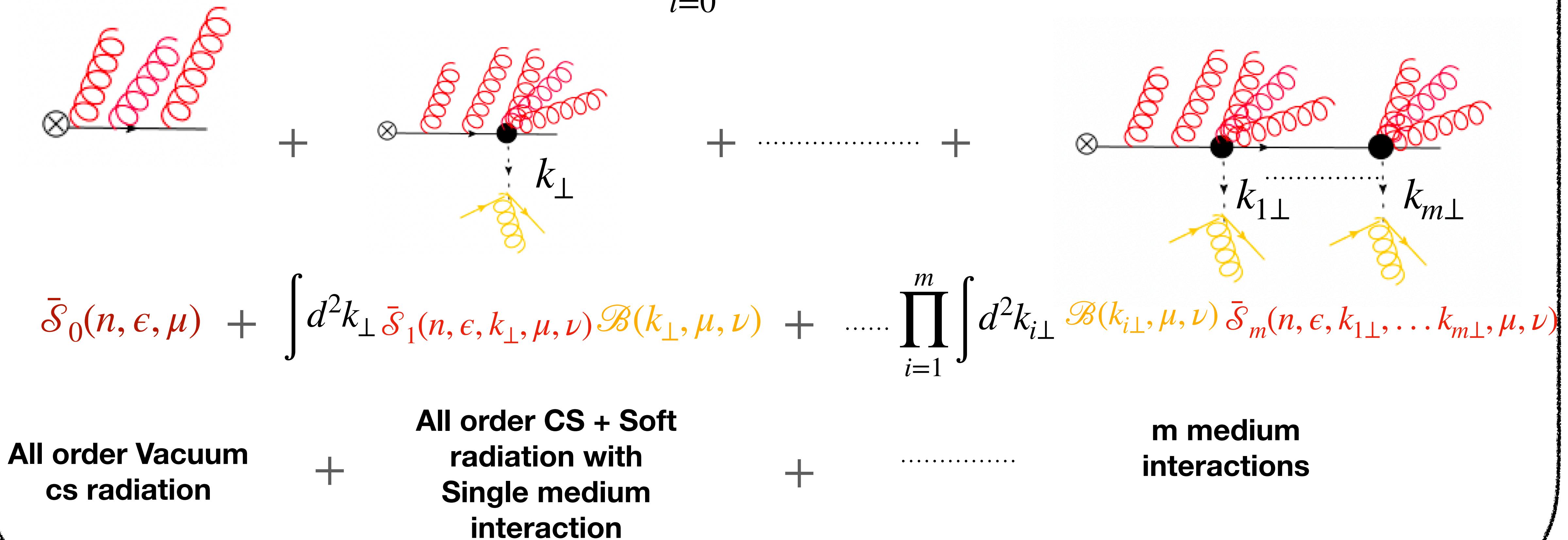
Medium induced  
CS radiation along world  
line of hard prong

Forward Scattering of CS off Soft

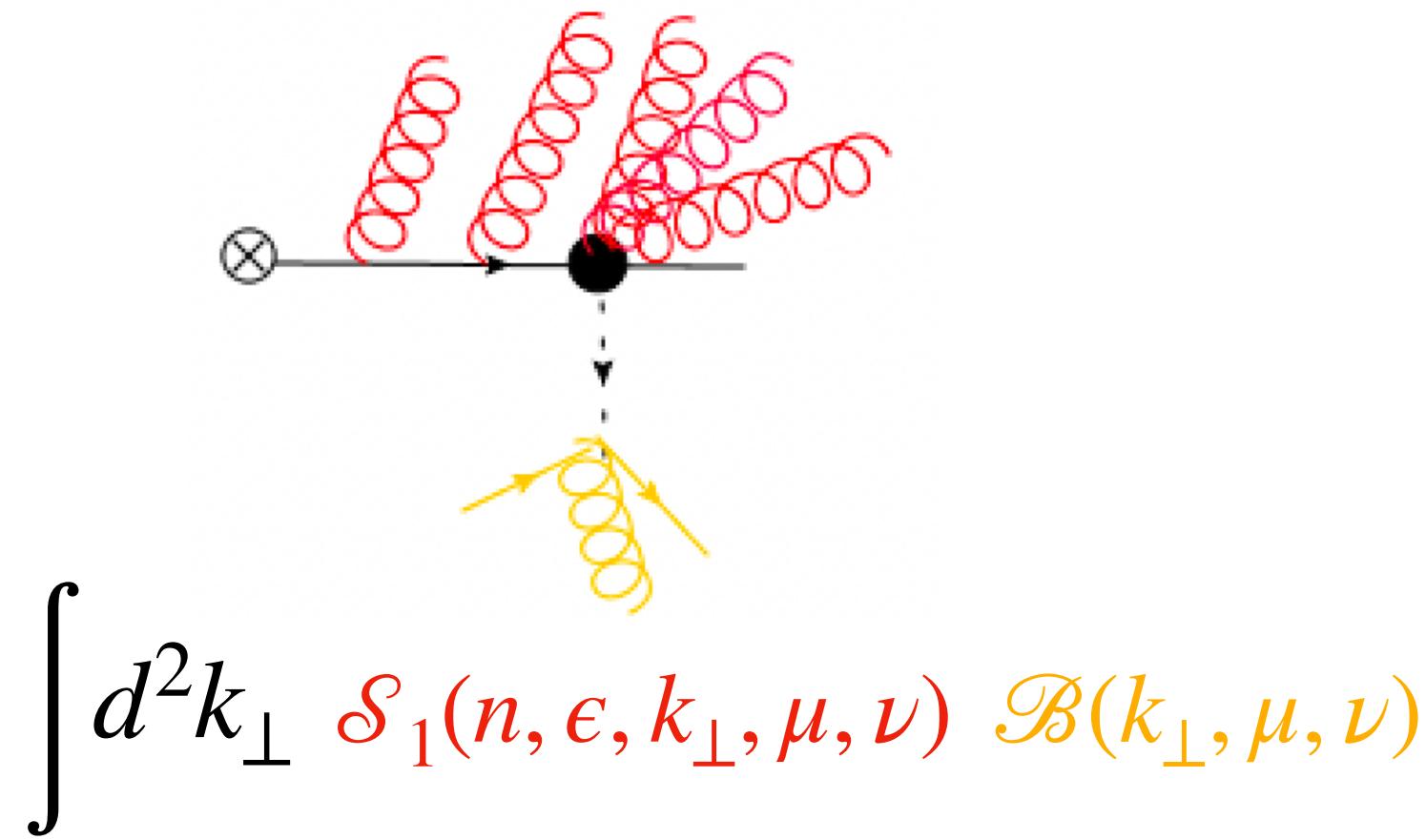


# Single prong physics

$$S_1(n, \epsilon, \mu) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \bar{\mathcal{S}}_i(n, \epsilon, \mu)$$



# Single interaction



**Single medium  
interaction**

$$\mathcal{B}(k_\perp, \mu, \nu) \equiv \int d^2 r_\perp e^{i \vec{k}_\perp \cdot \vec{r}_\perp} \langle O_s^A(r_\perp) \rho_M \ O_s^A(0) \rangle$$

$$O_S^{q\alpha} = \bar{\Psi}_s S_n T^\alpha \frac{n}{2} S_n^+ \Psi_s^n$$

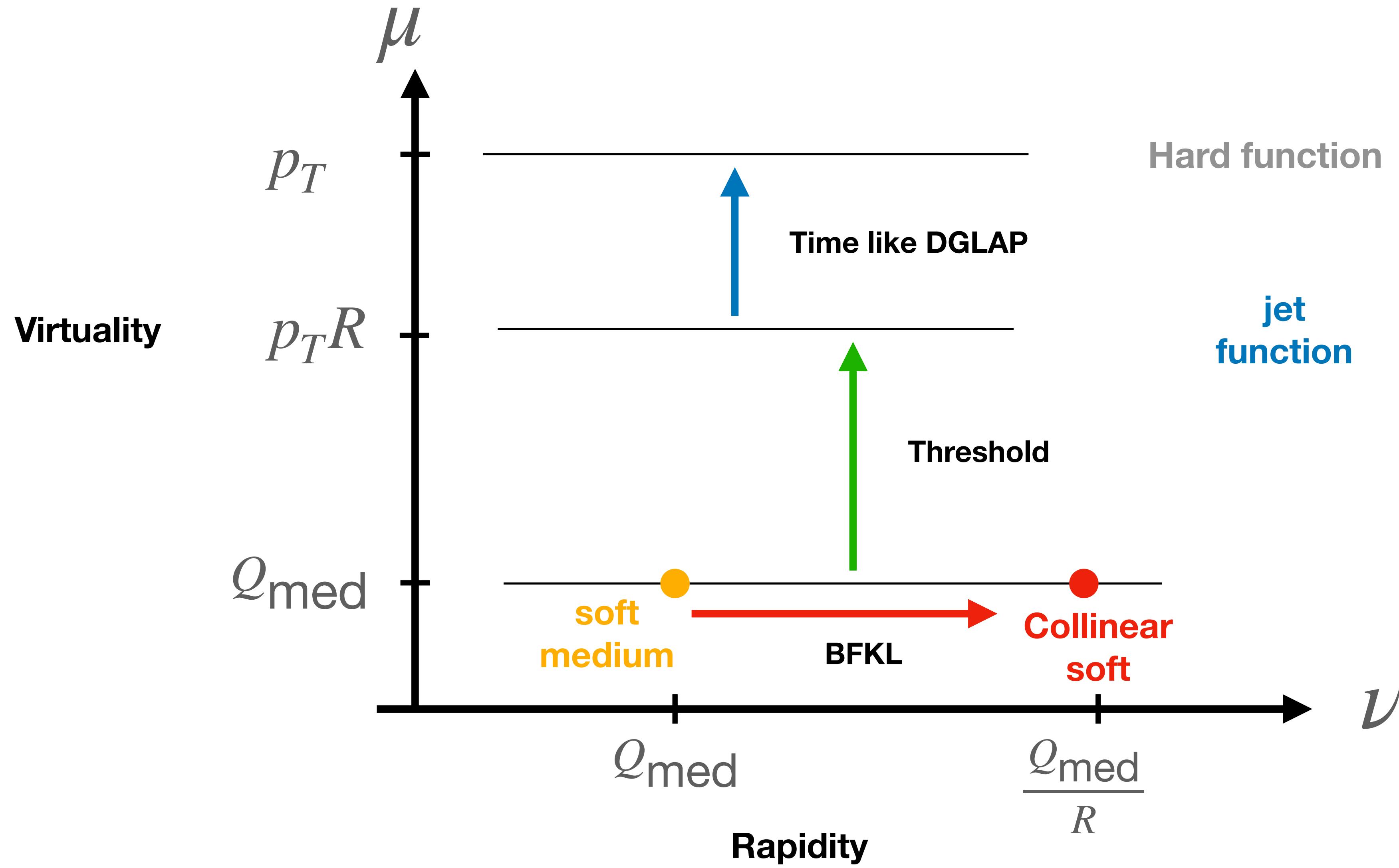
**A gauge invariant operator definition →  
Wightman correlator at LO**

$$\frac{d}{d \ln \nu} \mathcal{B}(k_\perp, \mu, \nu) = \int d^2 q_\perp K_{BFKL}(k_\perp, u_\perp) \mathcal{B}(u_\perp, \mu, \nu)$$

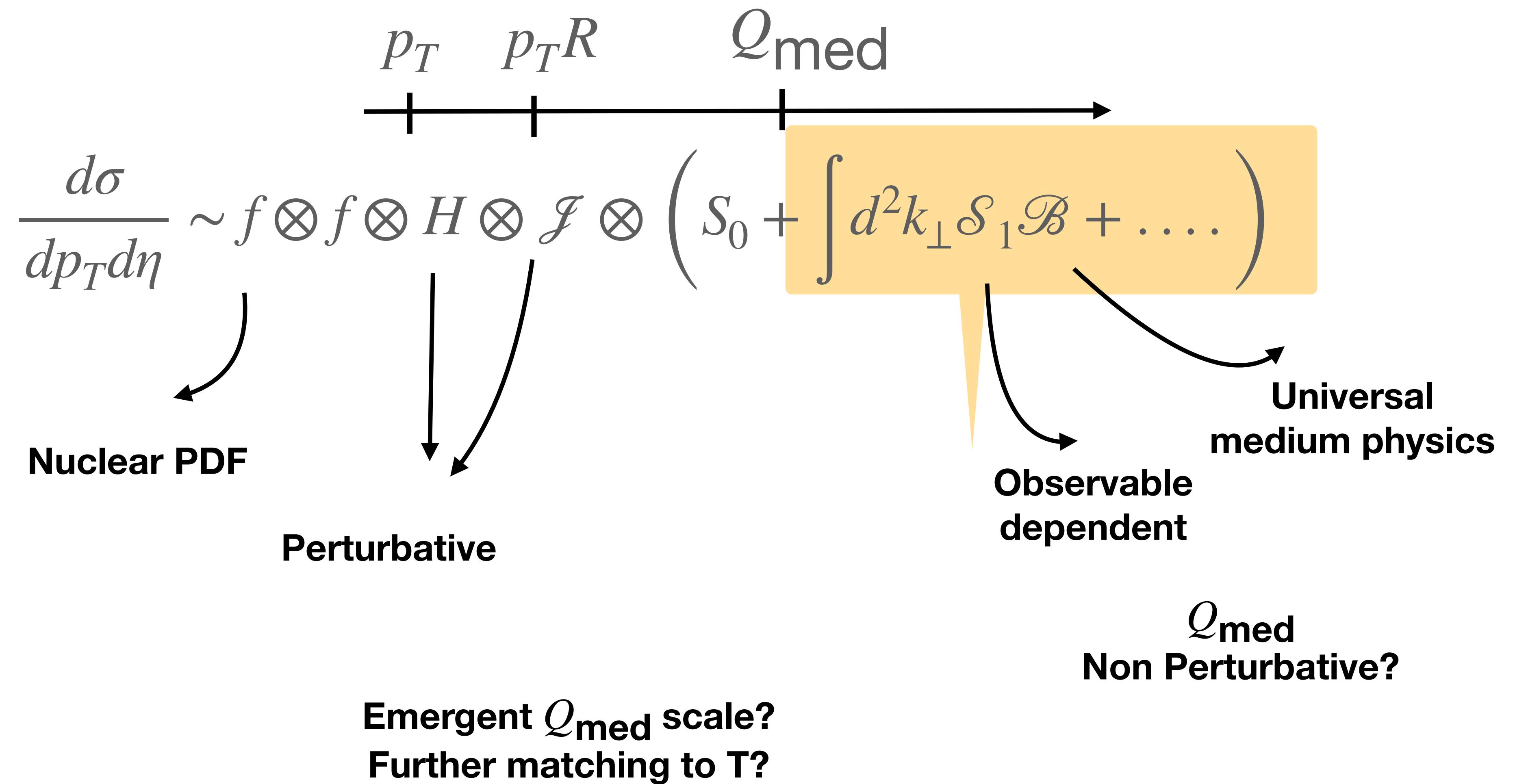
$$\frac{d}{d \ln \mu} \mathcal{B}(k_\perp, \mu, \nu) = - \frac{\alpha_s \beta_0}{\pi} \mathcal{B}(k_\perp, \mu, \nu)$$

$\mathcal{S}_1(n, \epsilon, k_\perp, \nu) \rightarrow$  Soft limit of GLV at LO, obeys BFKL evolution in  $\nu$

# Medium Jet RG Flow



# Epilogue



# Thank You

# **Back up**

# An EFT within SCET

- Interaction between d.o.f s is dominated by forward(small angle) scattering mediated by the Glauber mode.

$$L_{QCD} = L_{collinear} + L_{soft} + L_{Glauber} + O(x^2)$$

$$\equiv L_{SCET} + L_G$$

$$L_G \sim O_{cs}^{qq} = O_n^{q\alpha} \frac{1}{P_\perp^2} O_S^{q\alpha}$$

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$$O_S^{q\alpha} = \bar{\Psi}_s S_n T^\alpha \frac{n}{2} S_n^+ \Psi_s^n$$
$$O_n^{q\alpha} = \bar{\chi}_n W_n T^\alpha \frac{\bar{n}}{2} W_n^+ \chi_n$$

Gauge invariant building blocks

# A single hard prong

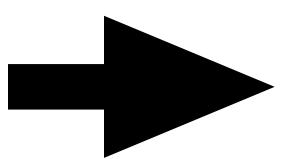
$$J_i(z, \omega_J, \mu) = \int_{\omega_J}^{\frac{\omega_J}{z}} d\omega'_J \int d\epsilon \delta(\omega'_J - \omega_J - \epsilon) \mathcal{J}_{i \rightarrow 1}(n, \omega'_J, \mu) \otimes_{\theta_n} S_1(n, \epsilon = (1-z)\omega'_J, \mu) + \dots$$
$$p^2 \sim (p_T R)^2 \quad p^2 \leq Q_{\text{med}}^2$$

For a quark jet

$$\gamma_{\mathcal{J}_{q \rightarrow 1}}^{qq} = \delta(1-z) \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \left( 4 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{\omega_J^2 R^2} + 3 \right) - \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} (1+z)$$

$$\gamma_{S_1}^q = -\delta(1-z) \frac{4\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{\omega_J^2 R^2} + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi} \frac{4}{(1-z)_+}$$

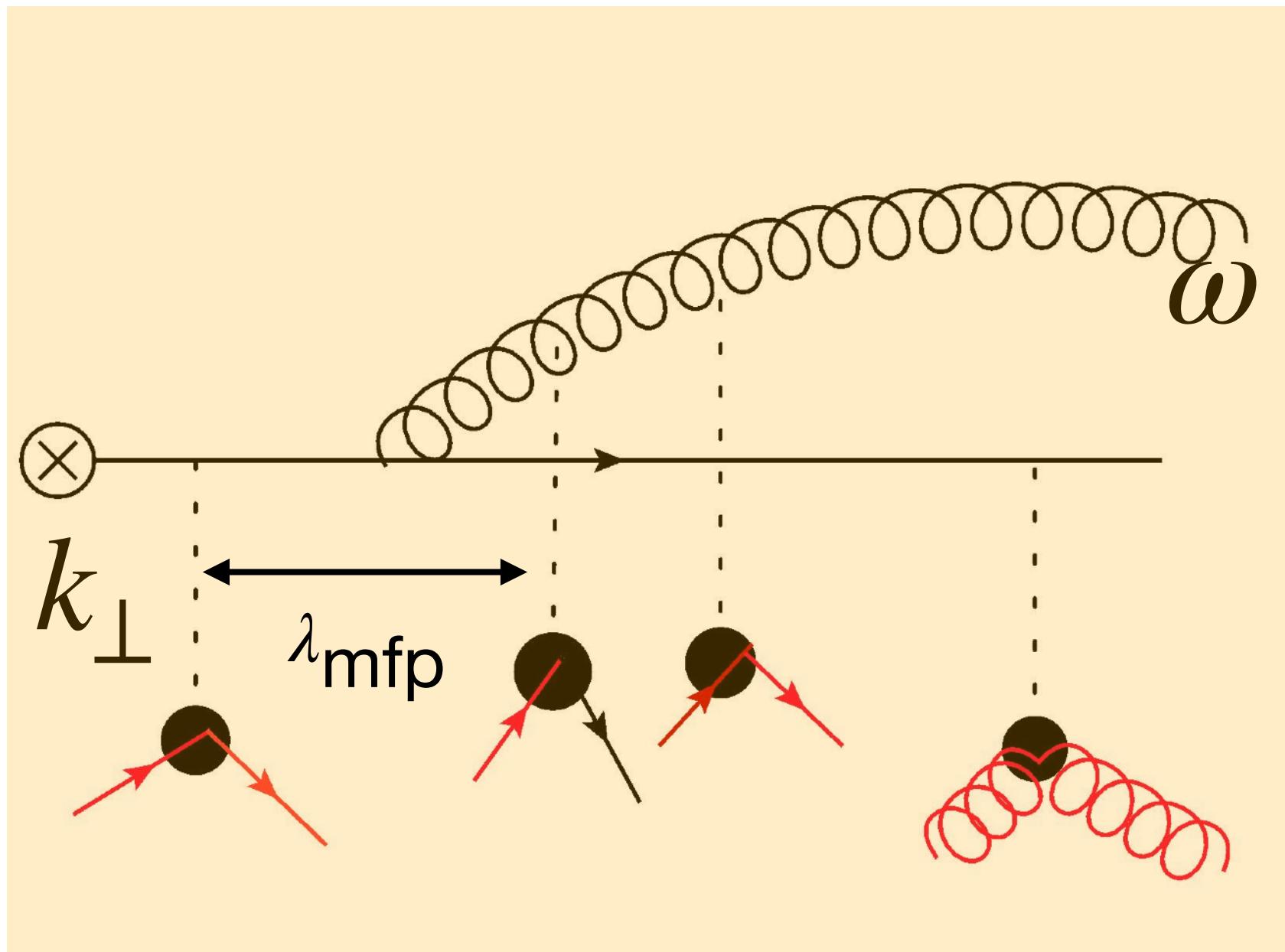
$$\gamma_{\mathcal{J}_{q \rightarrow 1}}^{qq} + \gamma_{S_1}^q = P_{qq}$$



Consistency of factorization

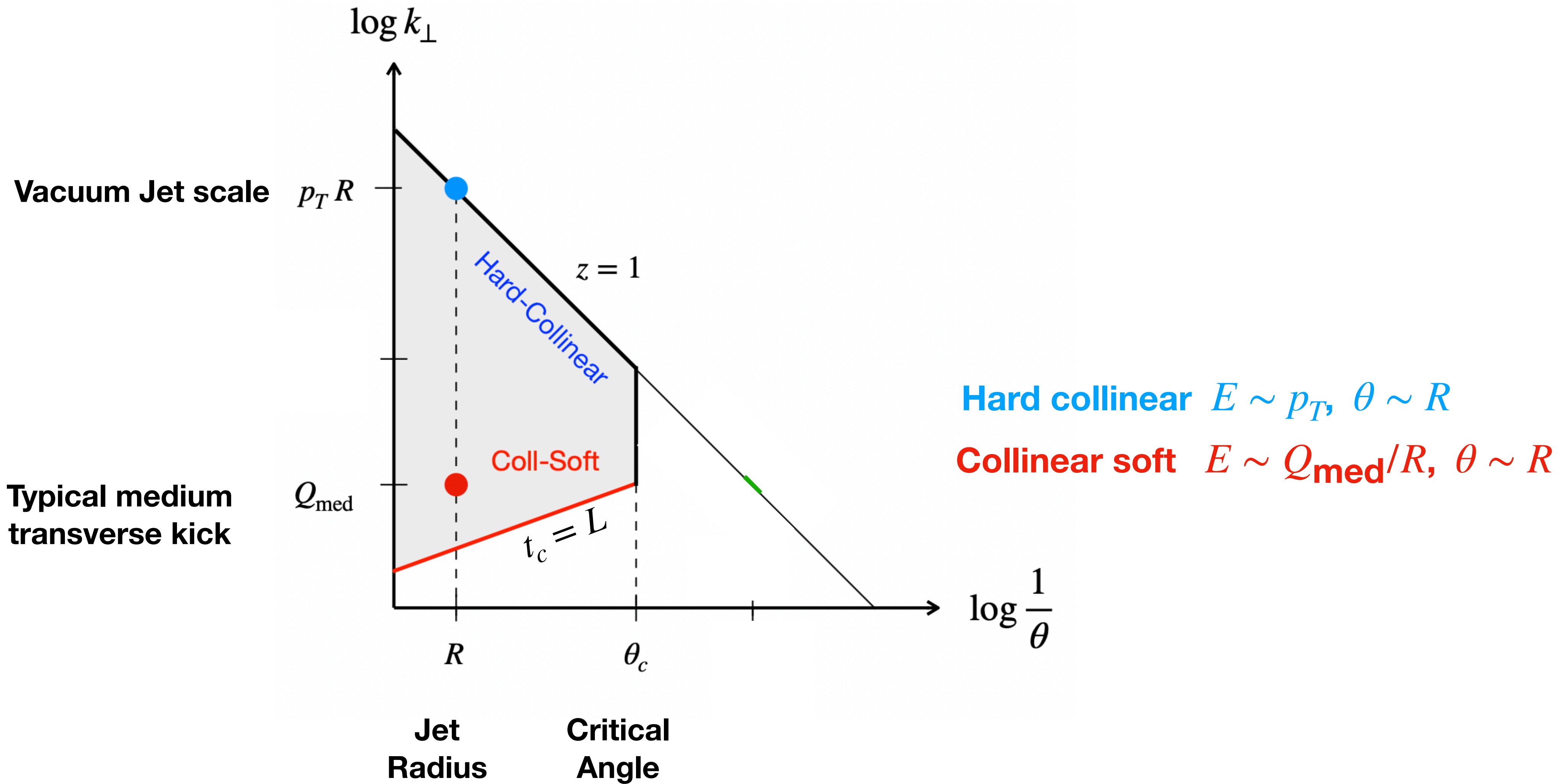
RG running leads to a resummation of threshold  $\ln(1-z)$

# The mean free path

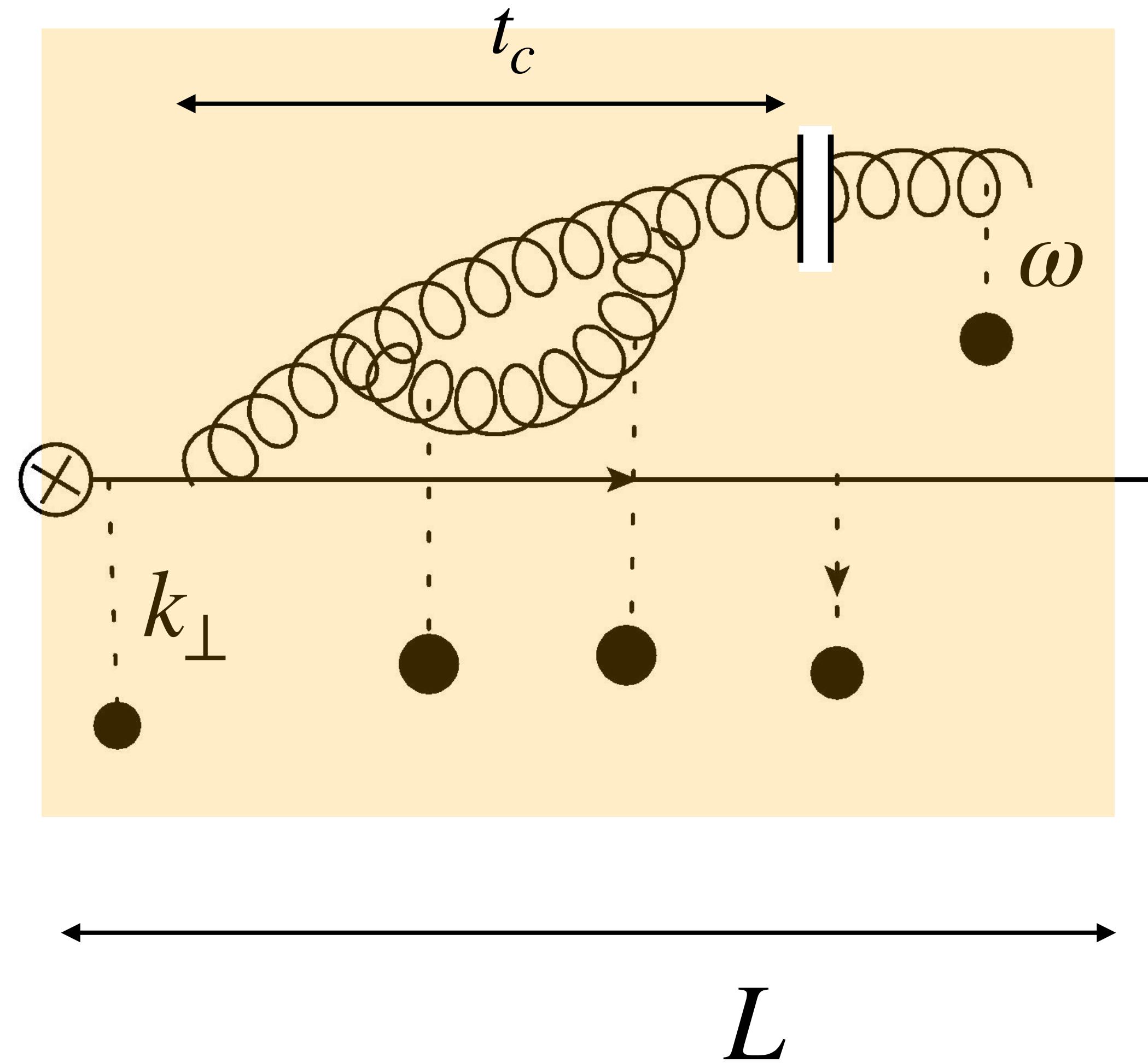


- Mean free path of a jet → average distance between successive interactions → emergent scale.
- Dilute medium  $\lambda_{\text{mfp}} \gg L$
- Dense medium  $\lambda_{\text{mfp}} \leq L$
- Assumption :  $\lambda_{\text{mfp}} \gg \frac{1}{m_D}$  → Successive interactions with color uncorrelated medium partons

# Putting it all together



# Coherence time



- Quantum coherence time of radiated parton  $t_c \sim \frac{\omega}{q_\perp^2}$
- No quantum interference for  $t \gg t_c$
- $t_c \gg L$ , strong quantum interference → LPM suppression

# Soft Collinear Effective Theory(SCET)

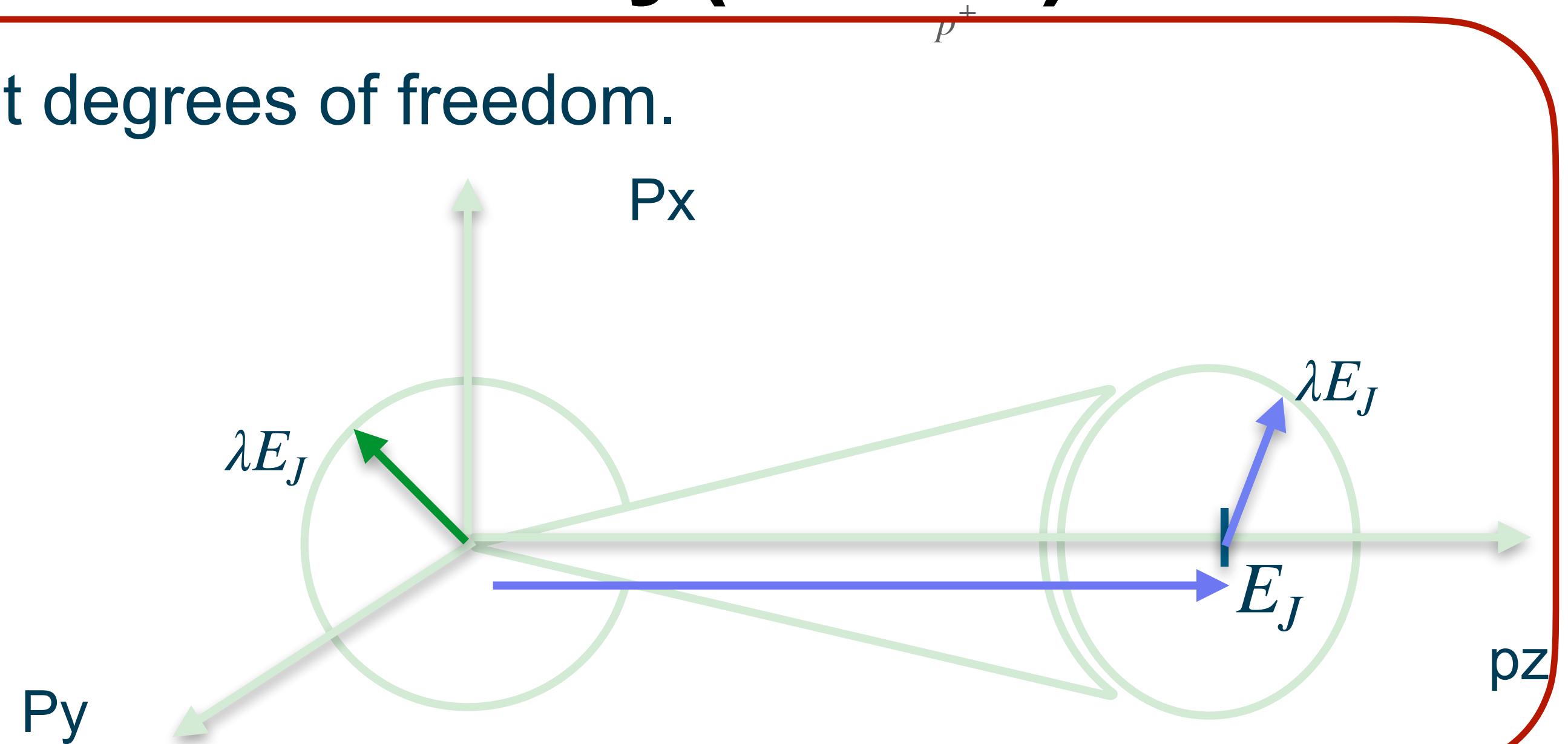
Step 1 : Identify the relevant degrees of freedom.

- The jet is made up of collinear partons

$$p_c \sim \frac{p_T R}{x} (1, x^2, x)$$

- QGP is a bath made of soft partons

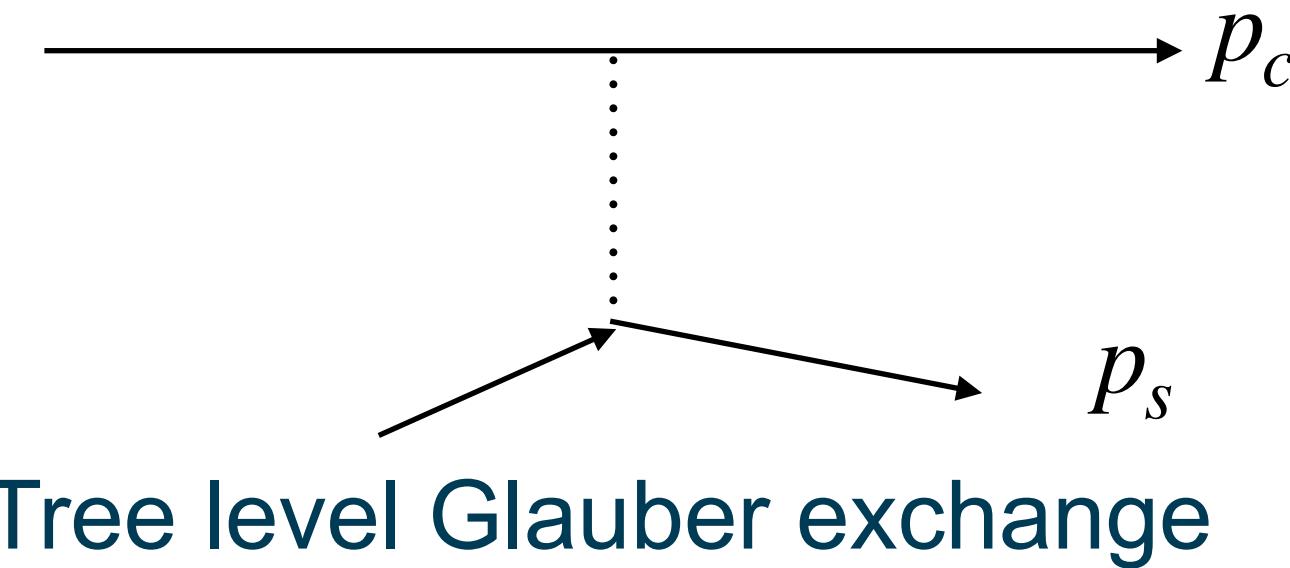
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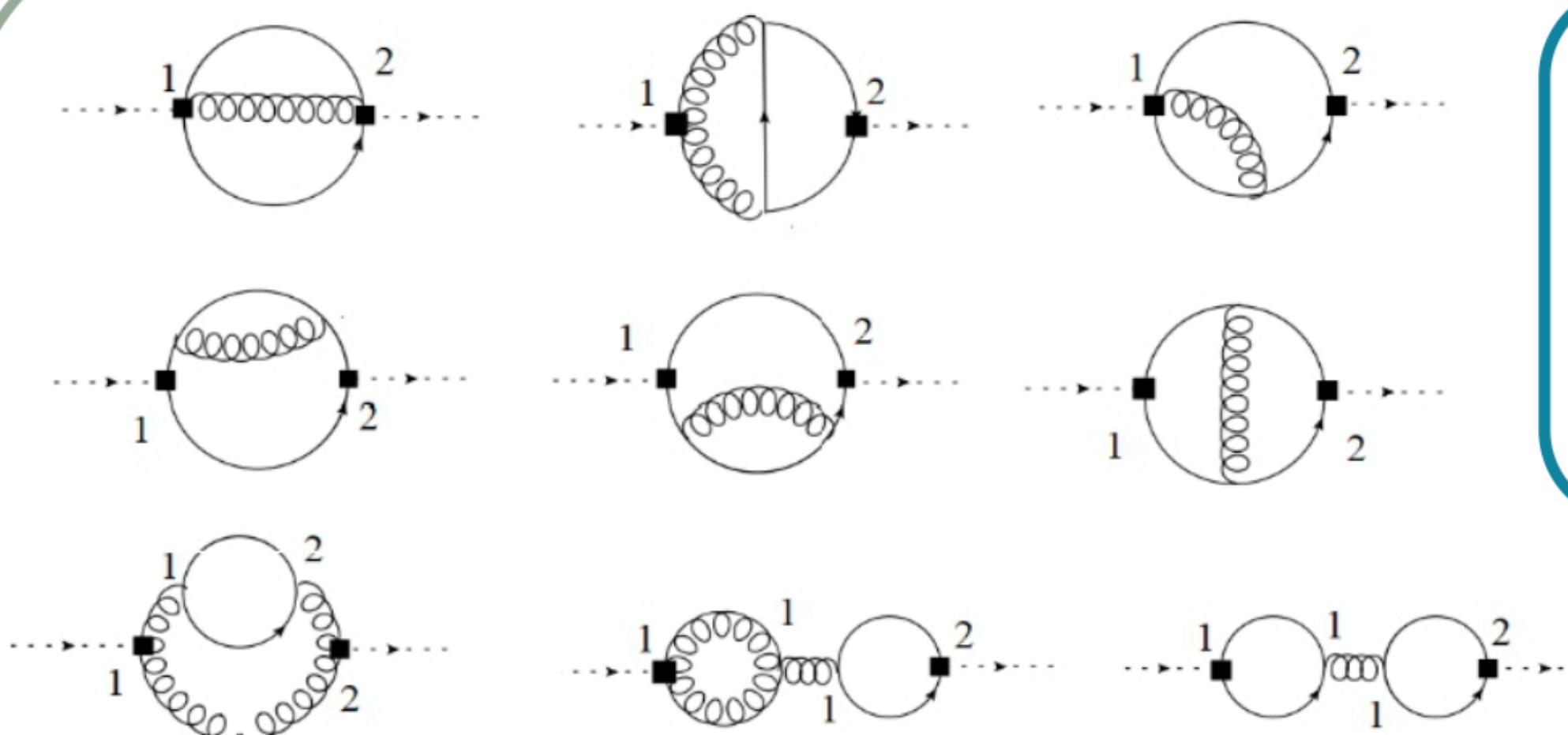


# The medium TMDPDF

$$S_{\text{med}}^{AB}(k_\perp) = \frac{1}{k_\perp^2} \int \frac{dk^-}{2\pi} \int d^4x e^{-ik\cdot x} \text{Tr} [O_S^A(x) O_S^B(0) \rho_{QGP}]$$

**Model independent and universal !**

- SCET Operator version of color source density function  $\rho^A$  in the CGC



$$\nu \frac{d}{d\nu} S(\vec{k}_\perp) = \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{\pi^2} \int d^2 q_\perp \left( \frac{S(\vec{q}_\perp)}{(\vec{q}_\perp - \vec{k}_\perp)^2} - \frac{k_\perp^2 S(k_\perp)}{2q_\perp^2 (\vec{q}_\perp - \vec{k}_\perp)^2} \right)$$

**BFKL equation**

V.Vaidya [2107.00029](#)

$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} S(\vec{k}_\perp) = -\frac{\alpha_s \beta_0}{\pi}$$

**Running of the QCD coupling**

$$\mu \sim k_\perp$$

One loop corrections in the thermal medium using Real Time formalism