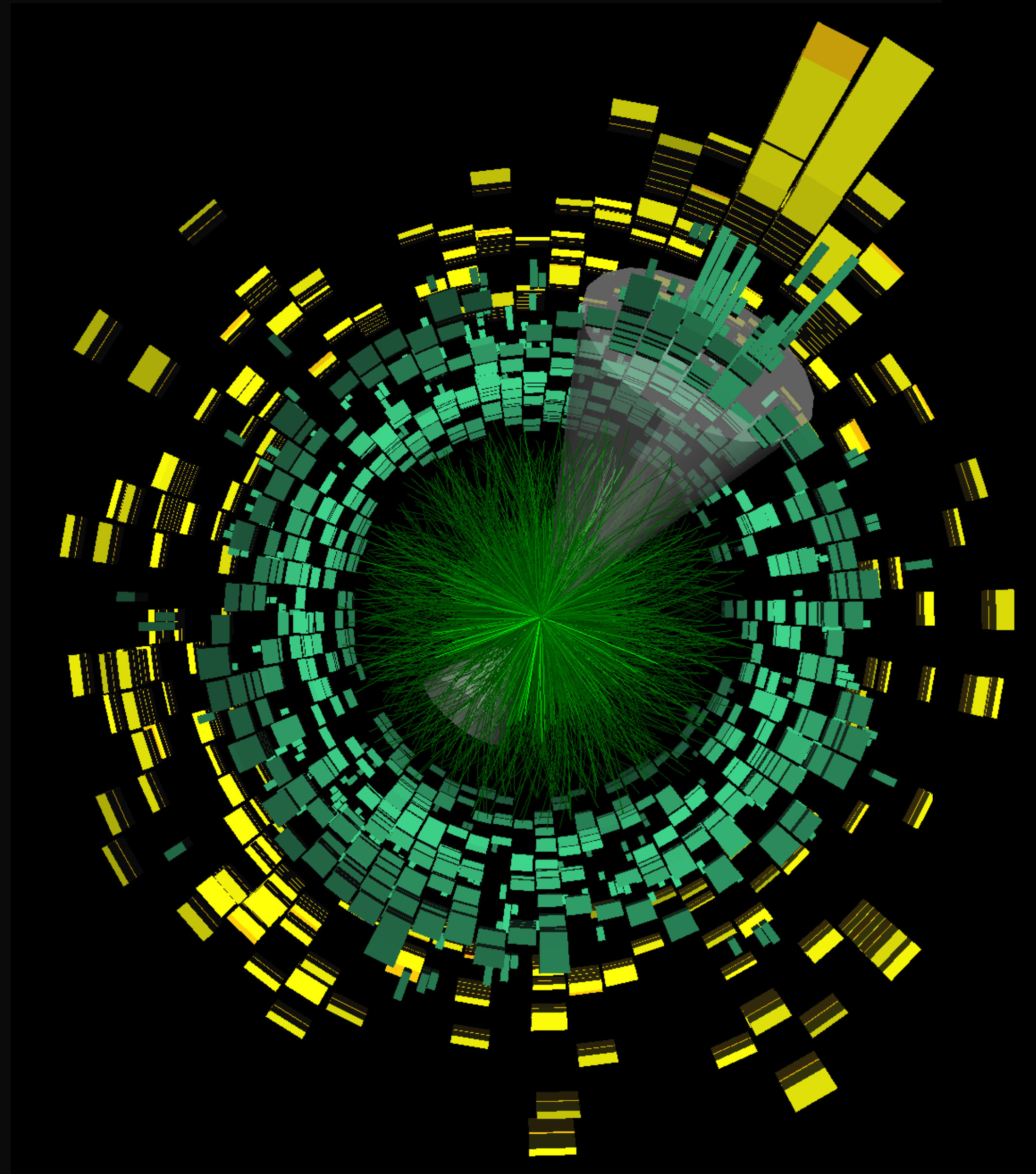
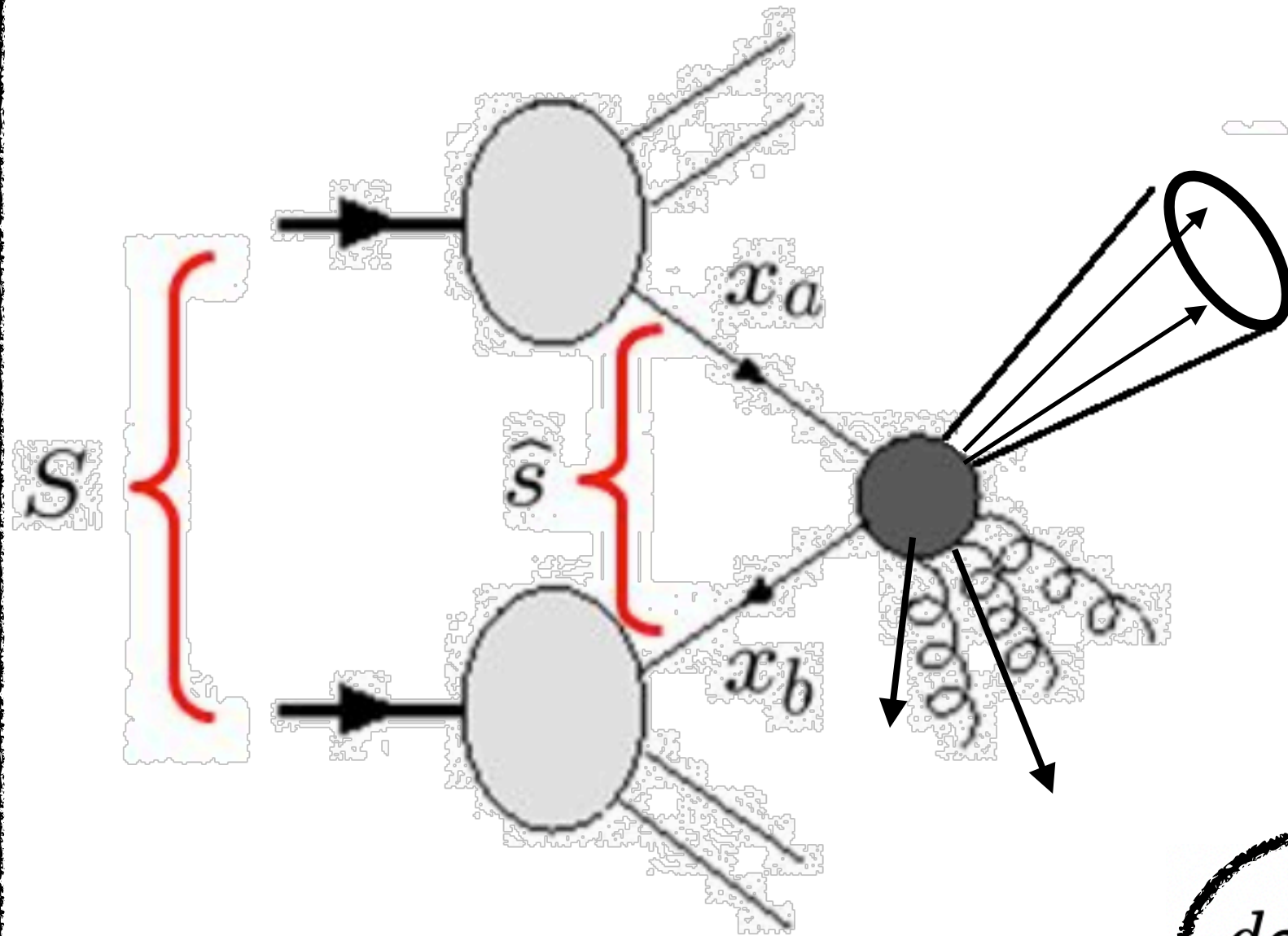


Factorization for Jet propagation in Heavy Ion collisions

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EFT/Factorization is ubiquitous for pp jets



$$p + p \rightarrow jet(R, p_T) + X$$

Energy Energy correlator

jet $p_T \rightarrow$ **UV** scale. \rightarrow

jet p_T

$p_T R$

$p_T \theta_E$

Hadron Mass $\Lambda_{QCD} \rightarrow$ **IR** scale $\rightarrow \Lambda_{QCD}$

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

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$$\frac{d\sigma^{pp \rightarrow jet X}}{dp_T d\eta} = \frac{2p_T}{s} \sum_{a,b,c} \int_{x_a^{\min}}^1 \frac{dx_a}{x_a} f_a(x_a, \mu) \int_{x_b^{\min}}^1 \frac{dx_b}{x_b} f_b(x_b, \mu) \times \int_{z_c^{\min}}^1 \frac{dz_c}{z_c^2} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{ab}^c(\hat{s}, \hat{p}_T, \hat{\eta}, J_c(z_c, p_T, R, \mu))}{dvdz} + O(R^2) + O\left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{(p_T R)^2}\right)$$

Hard function at p_T

Perturbatively calculable jet function at $p_T R$

Obeys time-like DGLAP equation

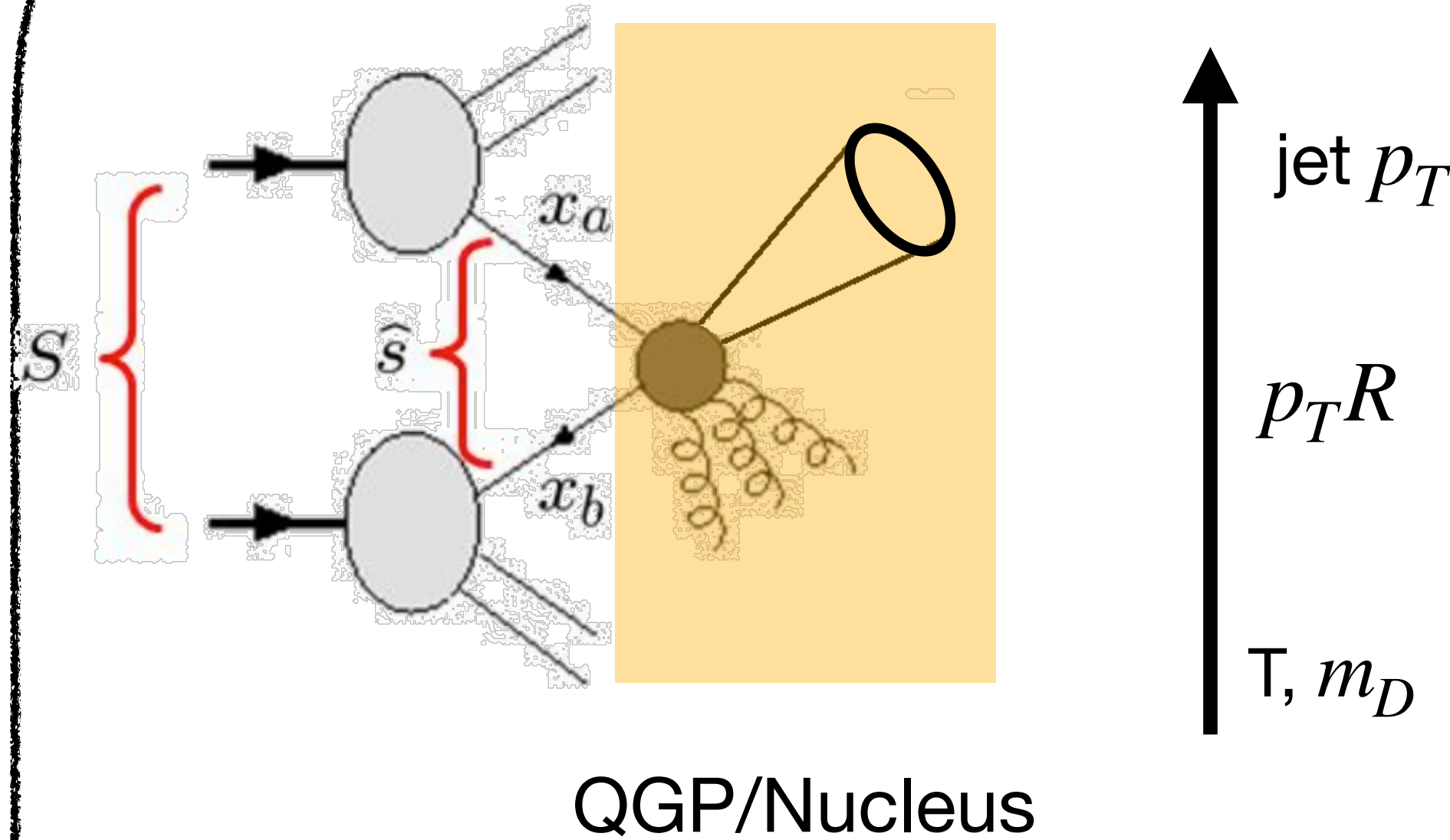
EFT/Factorization is ubiquitous for pp jets

- The EFT captures the leading contribution in the ratio of well separated scales (expansion parameters).
- The EFT automatically identifies all contributions consistent with a given expansion parameter.
- It helps to isolate and parametrize the **universal** non-perturbative physics in terms of matrix elements of gauge invariant operators (PDFs).
- It allows us to resum large logarithms in a systematically improvable manner.
- Systematically keep track of errors.

Goal of this talk:

- **To reorganize jet-in-medium as an EFT calculation.**
- **Explicitly isolate the universal, observable and model independent physics of the medium in terms of a gauge invariant operator**

Identifying two distinct regimes



Two regimes

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- $x \sim 1 \rightarrow$ The three scales are equally spaced \rightarrow large x physics
- $x \ll 1 \rightarrow p_T R$ is much closer to T than $p_T \rightarrow$ small x physics.

- The EFT is distinct for the two hierarchies and so are the dominant radiative corrections.

- Exploit the hierarchy of scales to make an **expansion at the level of the Lagrangian**, i.e before computing any diagrams.

Define a Bjorken x for the “QGP DIS”

$$x = \frac{(p_T R)^2}{T p_T} \sim \frac{Q^2}{M_p \sqrt{s}}$$

The EFT at $p_T R$



jet p_T

$p_T R$

$T, m_D \rightarrow$ IR scale $\sim 1\text{ GeV}$

$1/L \rightarrow 1/\text{Medium size} \rightarrow$ Size of the Nucleus \sim few fermi

Coherence time of the probe

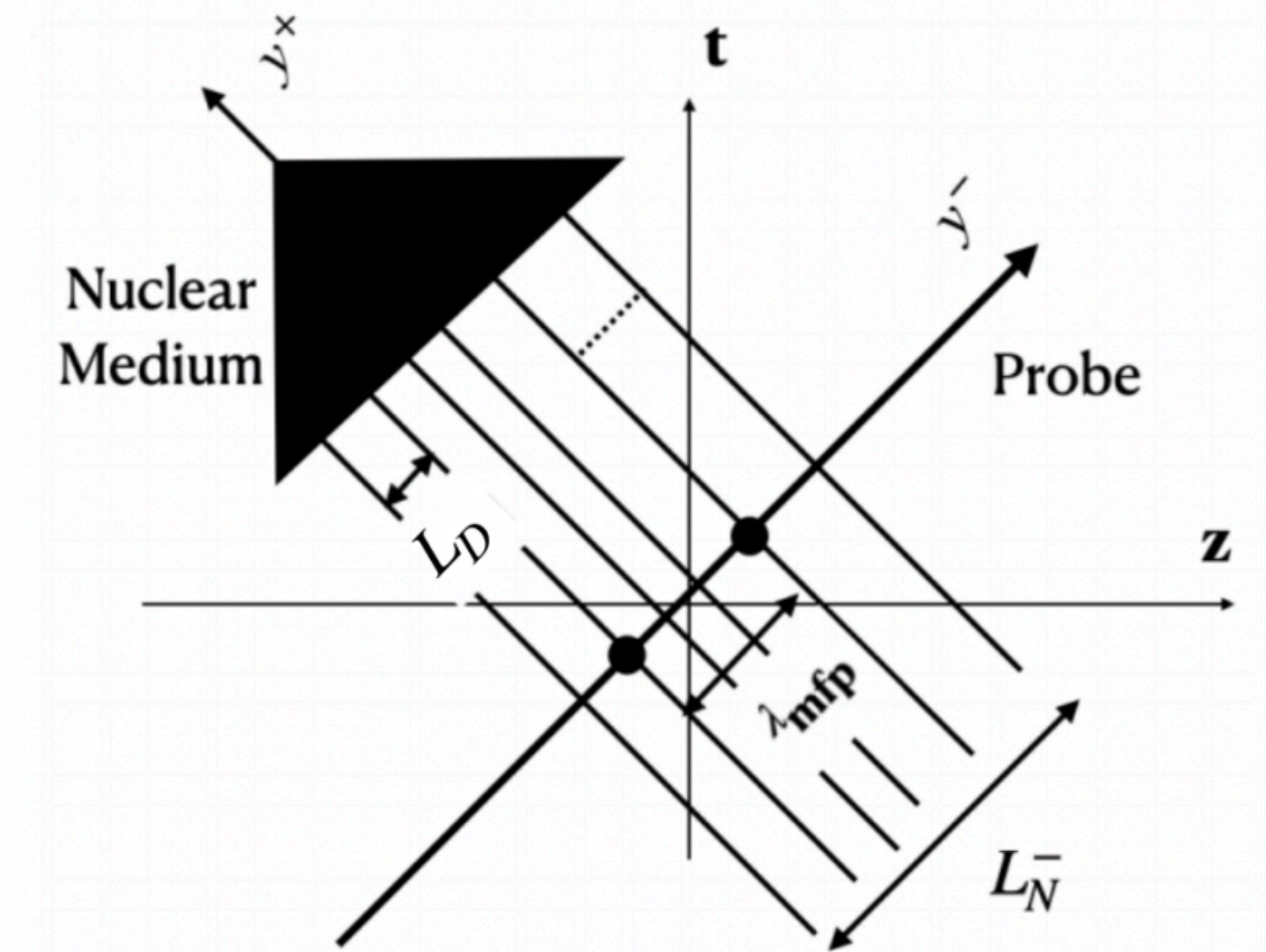
$$t_F \sim \frac{E}{q_T^2} \sim \frac{1}{p_T R^2}$$

Emergent scales

$$\lambda_{\text{mfp}}, \hat{q}$$

Color screening length in the medium

$$L_D$$



- $x \sim 1 \rightarrow 200\text{ GeV jet with } p_T R \sim 20\text{ GeV} \rightarrow t_F \sim 0.1\text{ fermi} \ll L \rightarrow$ not-so-small $\theta_E \sim 0.1$
- $x \ll 1 \rightarrow 200\text{ GeV jet with } p_T R \sim 5\text{ GeV} \rightarrow t_F \sim 1.6\text{ fermi} \sim L \rightarrow$ small $\theta_E \sim 0.05$

- In the small x regime, the interaction of the jet with the medium is completely coherent.

**An EFT for
Small x
physics**

Soft Collinear Effective Theory(SCET)

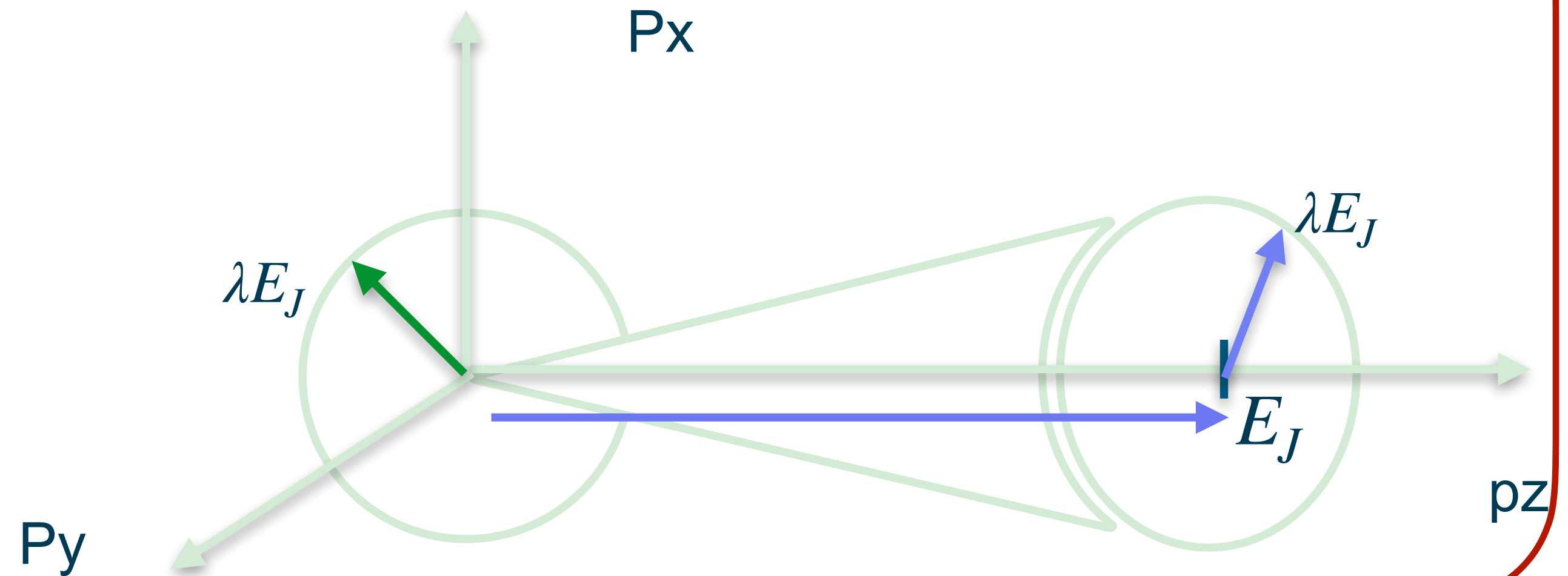
Step 1 : Identify the relevant degrees of freedom.

- 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

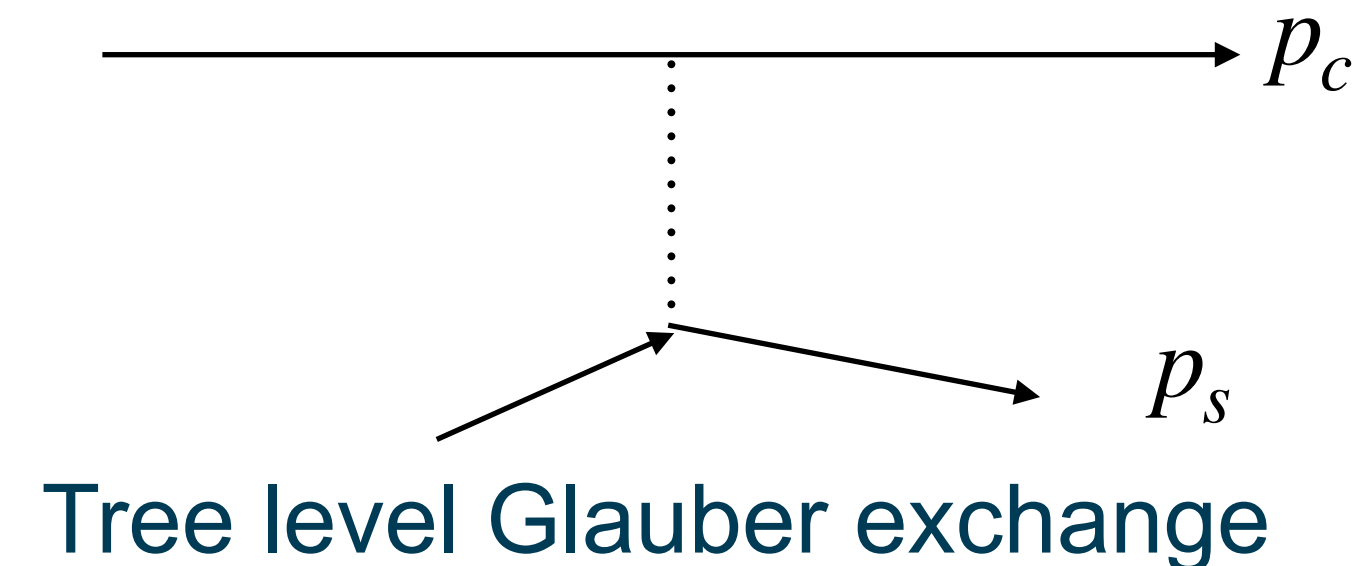
$$p_s \sim \frac{p_T R}{x} (x, x, x)$$



Step 2: Write down an effective Lagrangian at leading power in x (expansion parameter)

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

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



The probe as an open quantum system

Step 3: Evolve the system with this effective action.

$$\rho(0) = |e^+\rangle\langle e^-| \otimes \rho_B$$

QGP density matrix

We assume ρ_B is initially unentangled from the partons that are involved in the hard interaction.

$$\Sigma = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \text{Tr} \left[e^{-i \int dt H_{\text{eff}}(t)} \rho(0) e^{i \int dt H_{\text{eff}}(t)} \Theta_{\text{alg}} \right]$$

$$H_{\text{eff}} = H_c + H_s + H_G$$

$$H_G(t) \equiv H_G \Theta(t_M - t) \quad \text{Forward scattering is restricted for time } t_M : \text{ Temporal extent of medium}$$

Step 3: Prove factorization of soft physics from collinear order by order in the interactions.

$$\Sigma(t) = \text{Tr}[\rho(t)M] = \Sigma^{(0)}(t) + \Sigma^{(1)}(t) + \Sigma^{(2)}(t) + \dots$$

$$\qquad\qquad O(H_G^0) \qquad O(H_G^1) \qquad O(H_G^2)$$

Factorization for $O(n)$ interaction

Hard
function

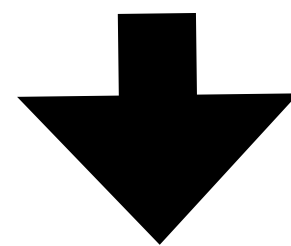
Path Ordered
in y^-

$$\Sigma_R^{(2n)} = \frac{|C_G|^{2n}}{Q^4} \left[\int d^+ p_e \mathcal{M} \right] I_{\mu\nu} \int d\bar{y}^+ \int d^2 \bar{y}_\perp \text{Im} \left\{ \left[\prod_{i=1}^n \int d\bar{y}_i^- \Theta(\bar{y}_i^- - \bar{y}_{i+1}^-) \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \left. \int \frac{d^2 k_{i\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} S(k_{i,\perp}, \bar{y}_i^-, \bar{y}^+, \bar{y}^\perp) \right] J^{(n)}(k_1^\perp, k_2^\perp, \dots, k_n^\perp, p_T, R) \right\}$$

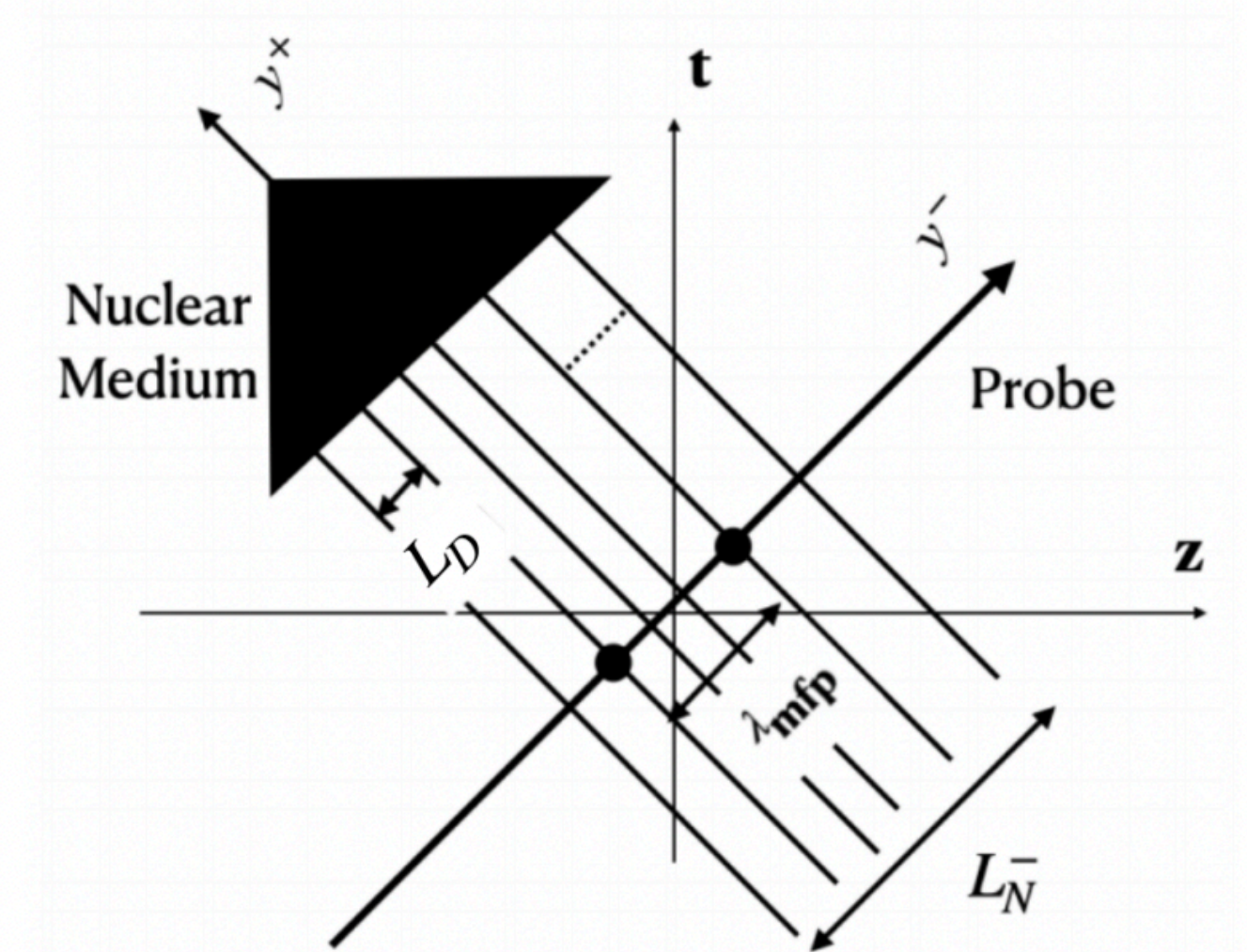
n copies of the
Medium Structure
(Soft)Function

Jet(collinear) function at order n

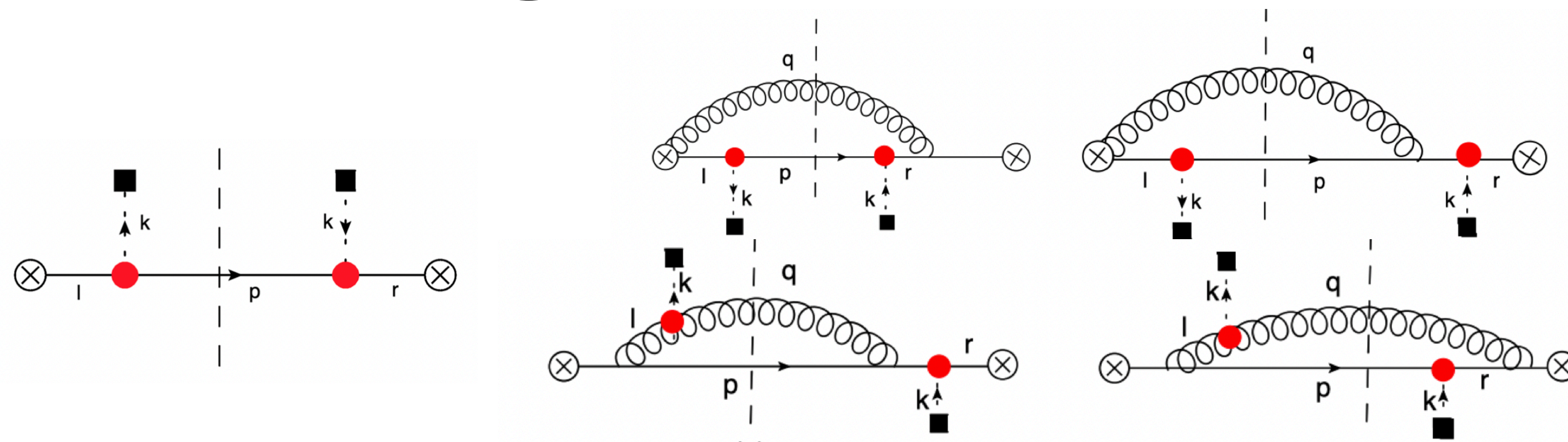


Process independent Universal
medium physics
“A TMDPDF of the medium”

Valid for inhomogeneous
medium



The single interaction jet function $J^{(1)}$



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- The jet function contains corrections from both vacuum and medium induced radiation.
- The vacuum corrections lead to DGLAP evolution with a logarithm $\ln R$.
- The medium induced corrections lead to a BFKL rapidity logarithm $\ln x \sim \ln \frac{p_T R^2}{T}$.
- There is a finite correction which is interference between the hard interaction and medium evolution.

$$F(w) = \text{CosInt}[w] - \text{Sinc}[w] \quad w = \frac{L}{t_F}$$

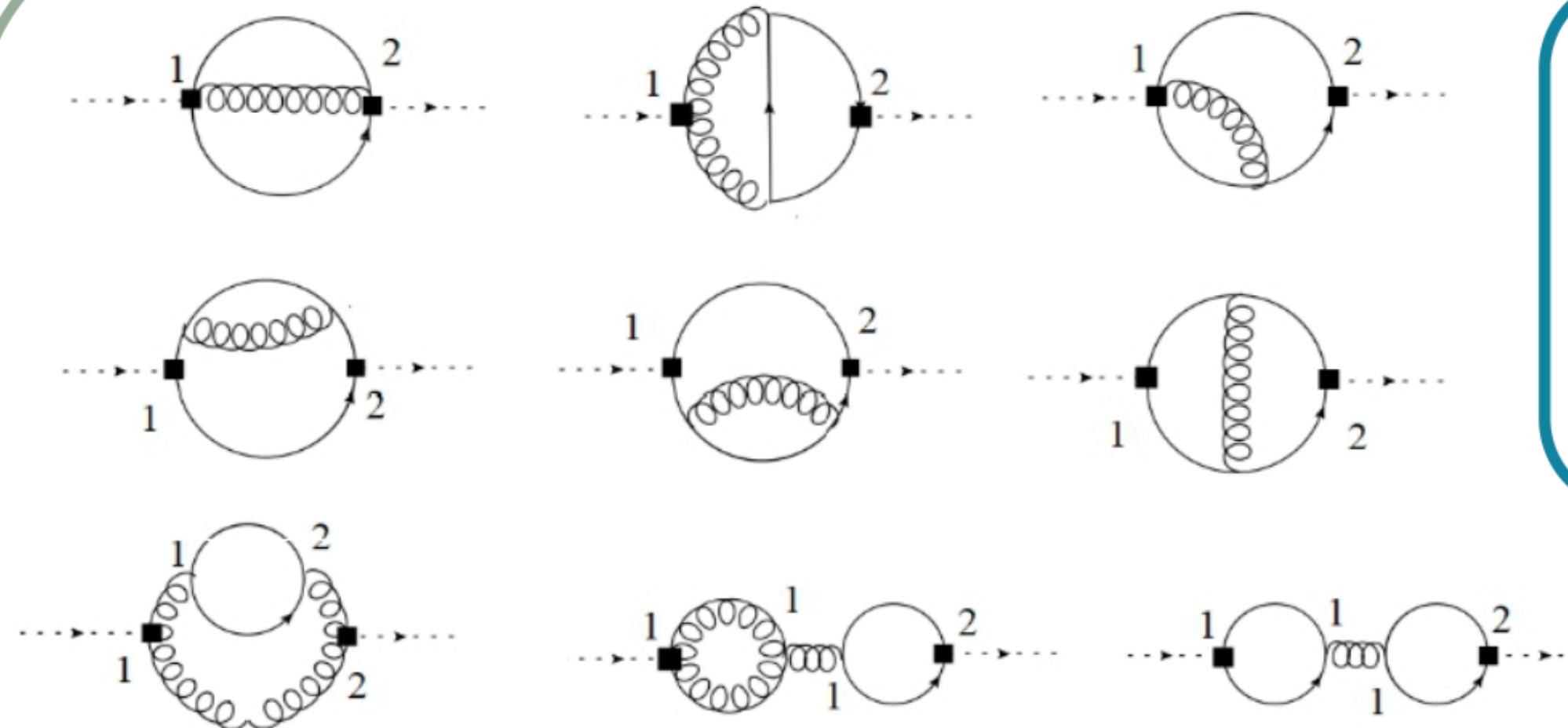
All radiative corrections consistent with the expansion parameter are automatically captured!

The medium TMDPDF

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

Model independent and universal !

- SCET Operator version of color source density function ρ^A in the CGC



One loop corrections in the thermal medium using Real Time formalism

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

BFKL equation

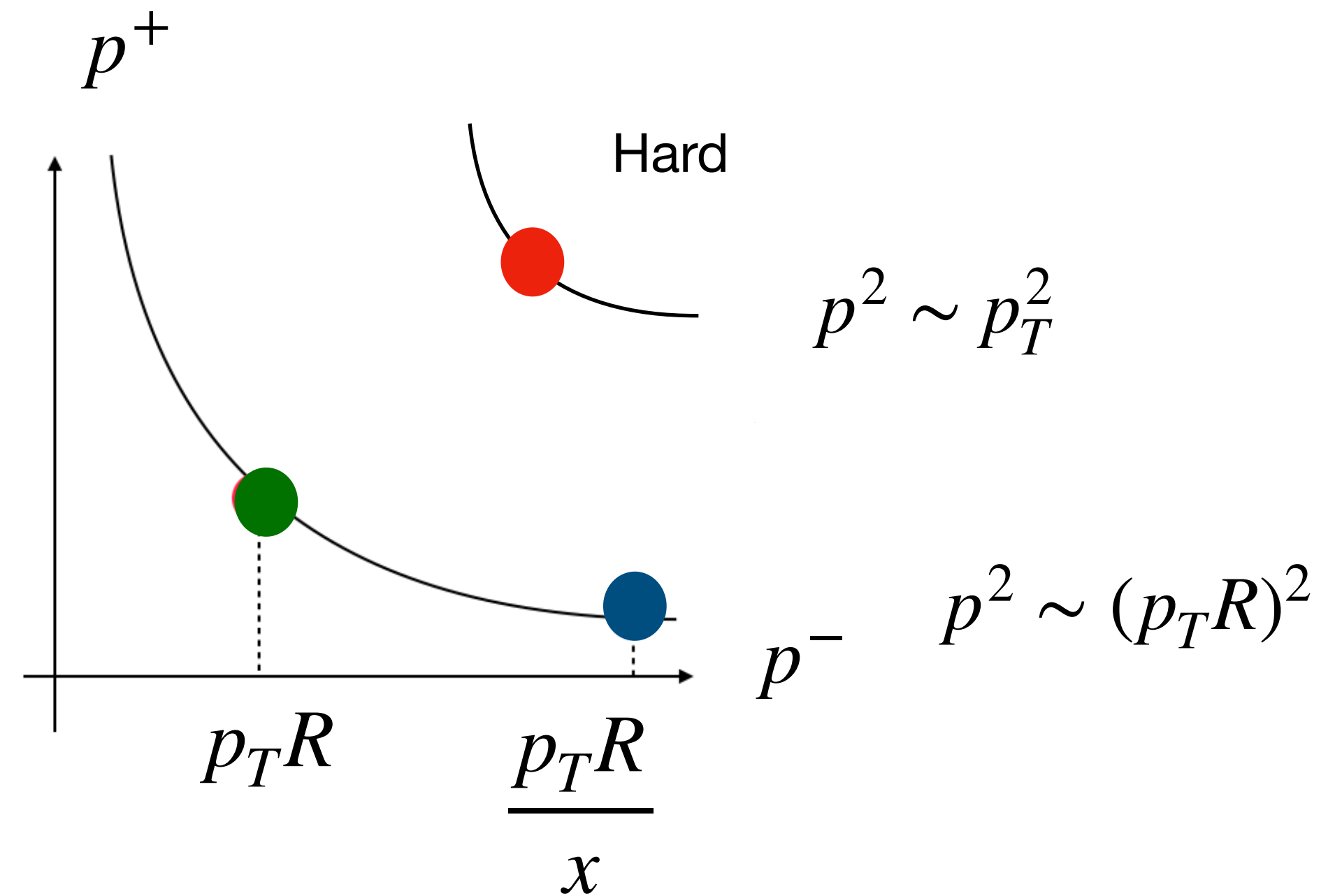
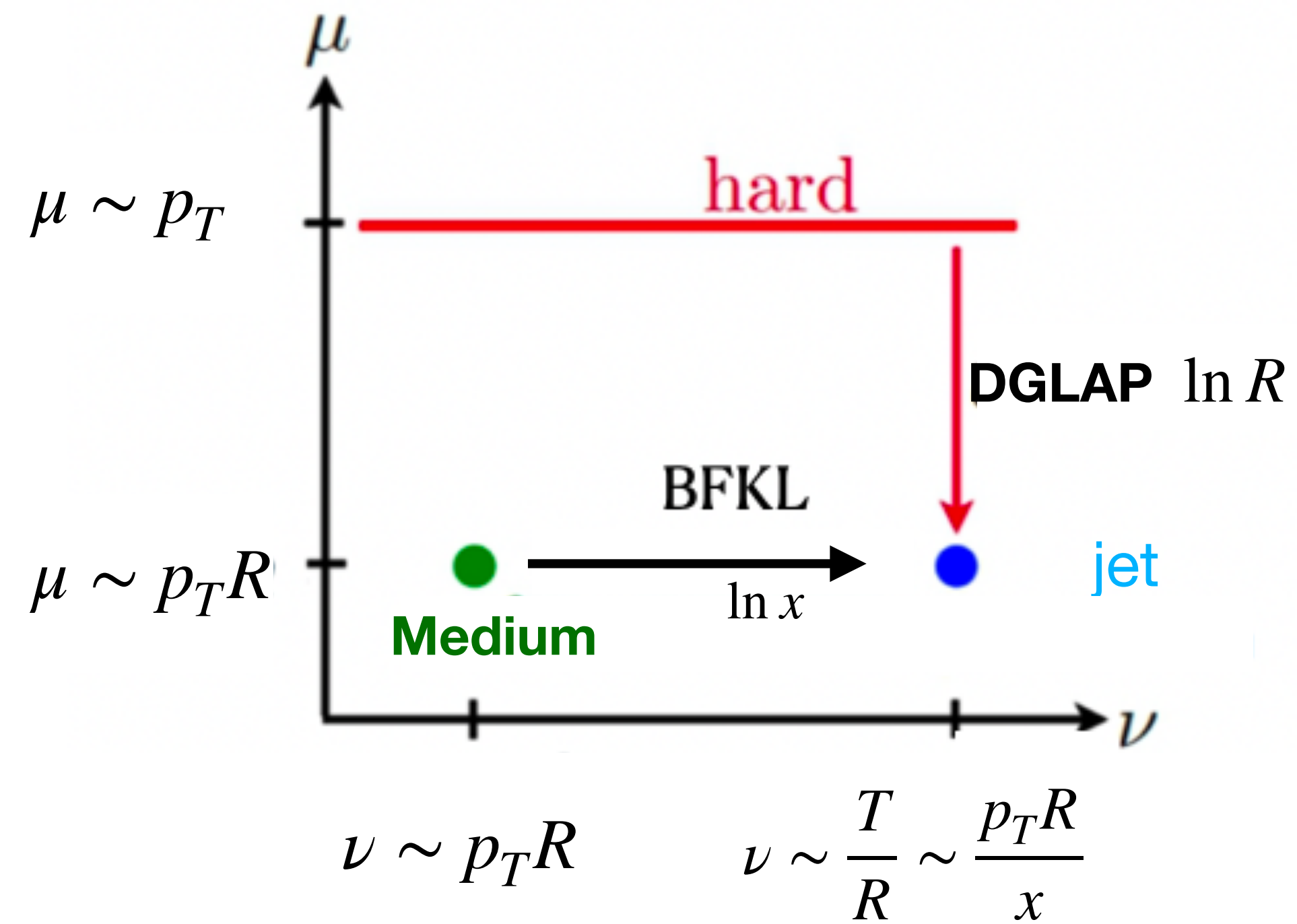
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$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} S(\vec{k}_{\perp}) = -\frac{\alpha_s \beta_0}{\pi}$$

Running of the QCD coupling

$$\mu \sim k_{\perp}$$

Resumming logs in a single interaction



The regime of multiple scatterings

A definition of the mean free path

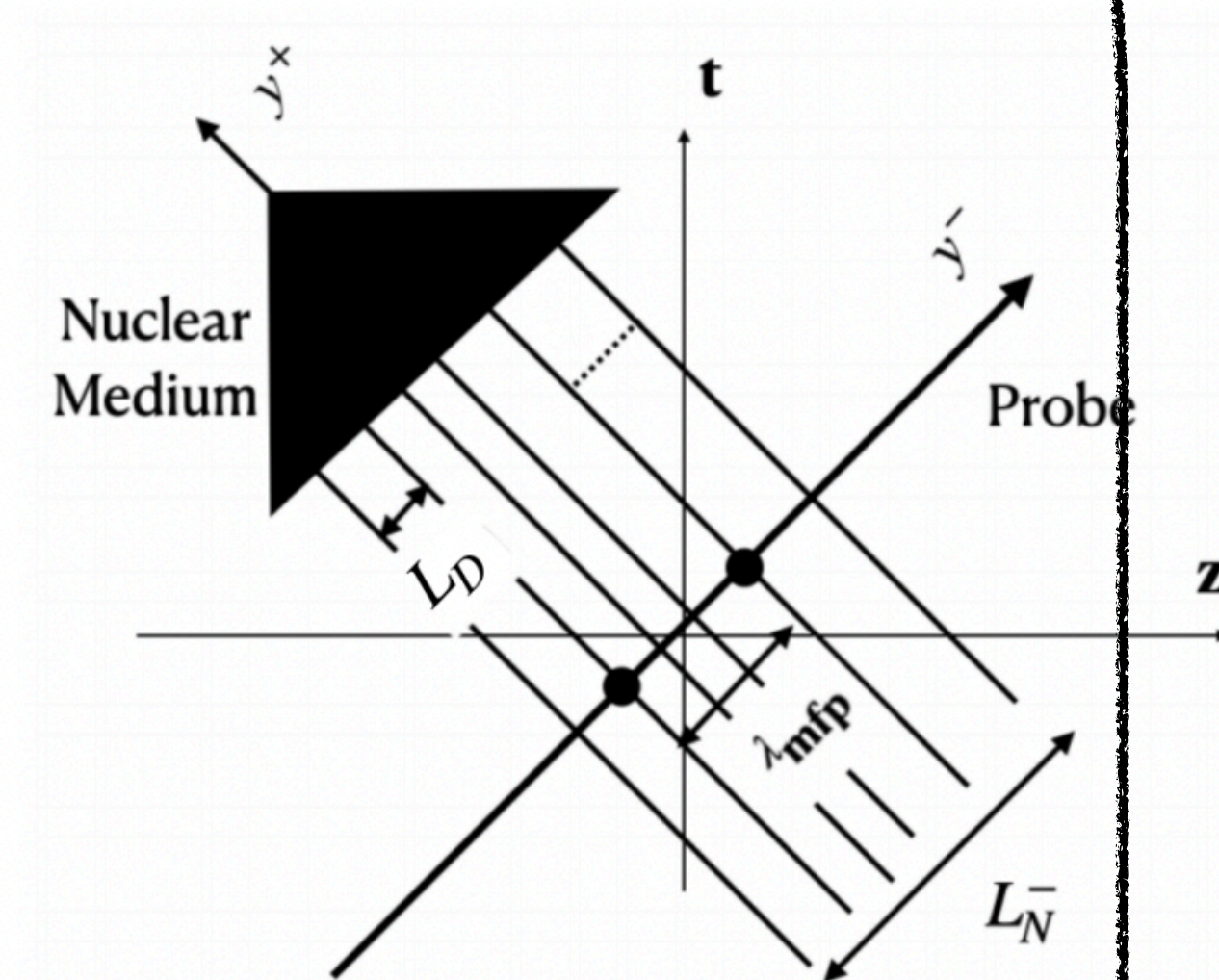
$$\Sigma(t) = \text{Tr}[\rho(t)M] = \Sigma^{(0)}(t) + \Sigma^{(1)}(t) + \Sigma^{(2)}(t) + \dots$$

Leading log sum of the Glauber series to all orders.

$$\Sigma_{\text{med}} = \int d^2b[\sigma(b)]_{\text{vac}} \int_{y \in \text{Med}} d^2y_{\perp} dy^+ \left[1 - \mathbf{P} \exp \left\{ - \int \frac{dy^-}{\lambda_{\text{mfp}}(p_T R, \vec{b}, y)} \right\} \right] + O(R^2)$$

Vacuum evolution
of probe \rightarrow DGLAP

Medium evolution of
probe \rightarrow BFKL



$$\lambda_{\text{mfp}}^{-1}(R, p_T, y) = H_G(p_T, \mu) \int d^2k_{\perp} S_{\text{med}}(k_{\perp}, y, \mu, \nu) J_c^{\text{med}}(R, p_T, k_{\perp})$$

Universal observable
independent
structure function

Medium
jet function

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An Effective Field Theory for jet substructure in Heavy
Ion Collisions. JHEP 11, 064 (2021)

An emergent expansion parameter

$$\Sigma = \int d^2b [\sigma(b)]_{\text{vac}} \int_{y \in \text{Med}} d^2y_{\perp} dy^+ \left[1 - \mathbf{P} \exp \left\{ - \int \frac{dy^-}{\lambda_{\text{mfp}}(Q, \vec{b}, y)} \right\} \right]$$

λ_1

$\lambda_1 \sim 1 \rightarrow$ Multiple interactions need to be resummed

$$\int^{\text{Nucleus}} \frac{dy^-}{\lambda_{\text{mfp}}(Q_s, 1/Q_s, y)} = 1$$

For Heavy ion jet physics, this defines the **breakdown of opacity** expansion.

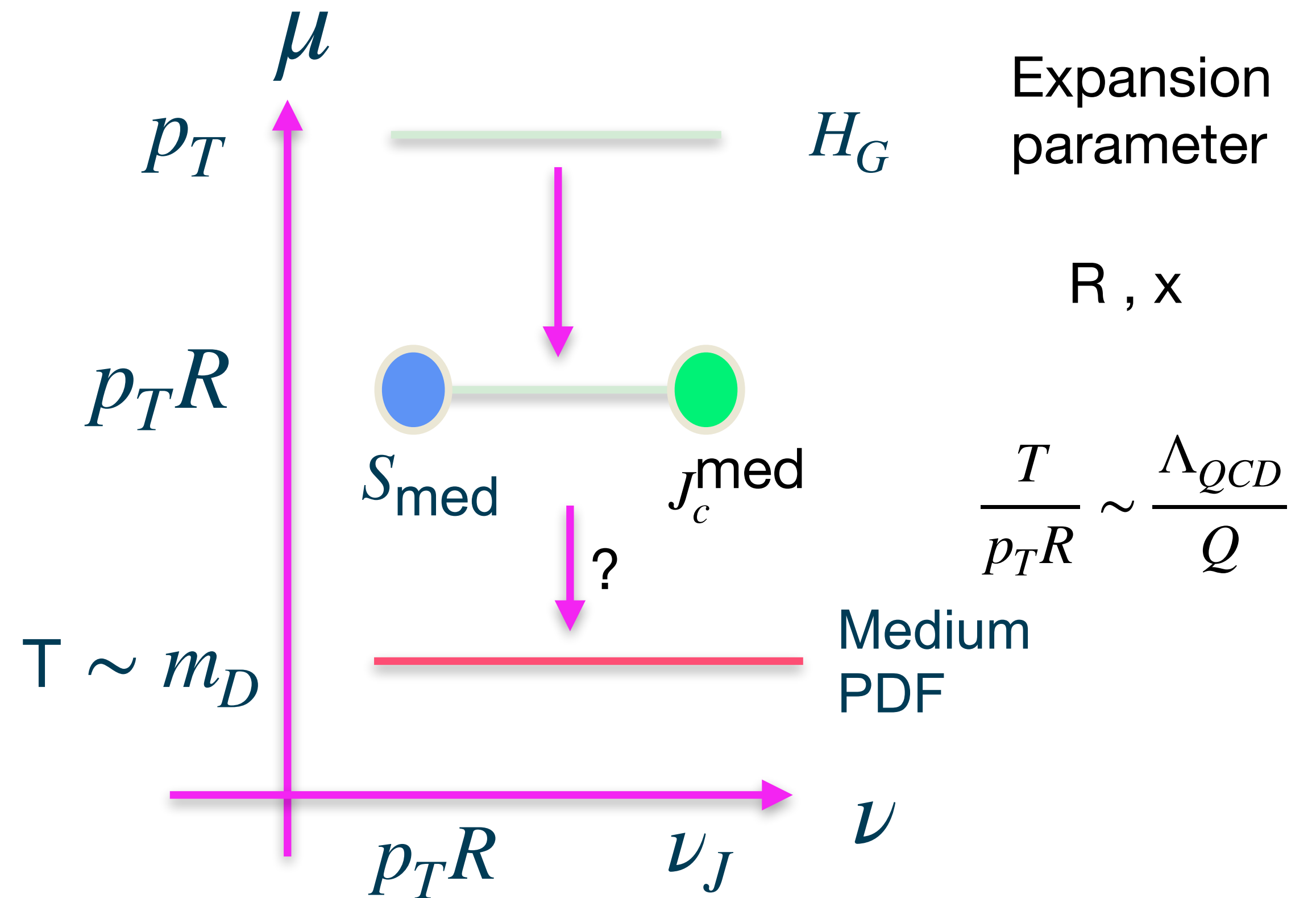
For small x DIS, this defines the **saturation** scale.

A non-perturbative medium

$$\lambda_{\text{mfp}}^{-1}(R, N, p_T, y) = H_G(p_T, \mu) \int d^2k_{\perp} S_{\text{med}}(k_{\perp}, y, \mu, \nu) J_c^{\text{med}}(R, p_T, N, k_{\perp}) + O(R^2)$$

$$p_T \gg p_T R \gg T$$

- Jet function is perturbative and calculable.
- Can the EFT at scale $p_T R \sim Q$ be matched onto the medium PDF at $T \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$?
- Medium PDF: Non perturbative but observable independent!
- Only need to recompute the jet function for different jet substructure observables.



Summary

- For a coherent(unresolved) interaction, radiative corrections in medium described by BFKL.
- Universality of a gauge invariant , model independent medium structure function can be derived rigorously.

Open Questions

- How to match and isolate the non-perturbative physics at the scale Λ_{QCD} .
- Formulate the EFT for $x \sim 1 \rightarrow$ Ongoing work !
- Extract the universal non-perturbative structure functions from data.

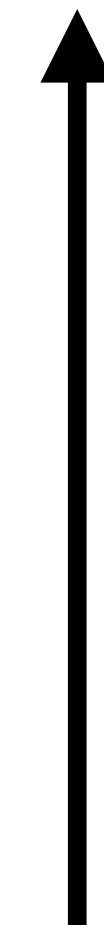
An EFT in a (slightly) boosted frame

- Work in a frame where the medium is boosted by a factor $\gamma = \frac{p_T R}{T}$,
- Allows us to conveniently use an EFT framework already developed in literature

I. Rothstein, I. Stewart, JHEP 1608 (2016) 025

- Energy of medium partons $\sim T \frac{P_T R}{T} = p_T R$

- Energy of jet partons $\sim p_T \frac{T}{p_T R} = \frac{p_T R}{x}$

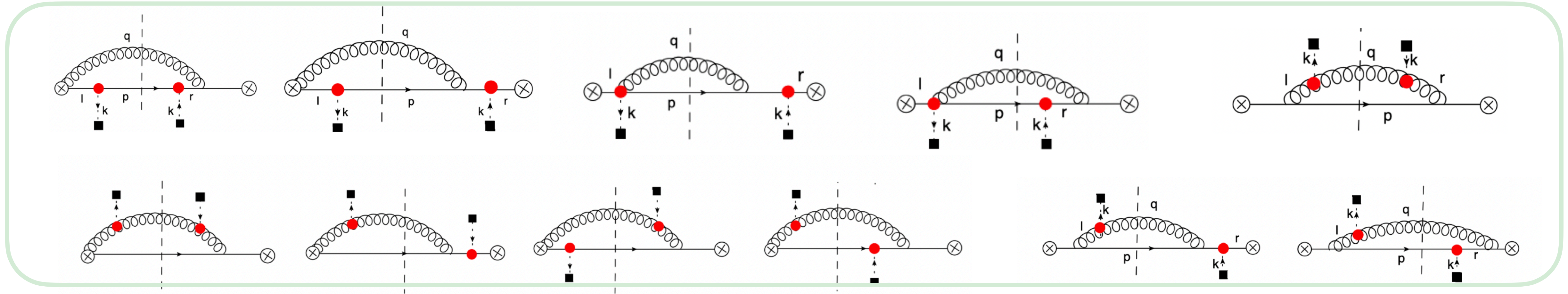


jet p_T

$p_T R$

$T, m_D \rightarrow$ IR scale $\sim 1\text{GeV}$

Renormalization for the medium jet function



$$J_{\text{Med, BFKL}}^{AB(1)}(\vec{k}_\perp, \vec{q}_{Tn}) = -\frac{\alpha_s N_C}{\pi^2} \int \frac{d^2 q_\perp}{(\vec{q}_\perp - \vec{k}_\perp)^2} \left\{ J_{\text{Med}}^{AB}(\vec{q}_\perp, \vec{q}_{Tn}) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{J_{\text{Med}}^{(AB)}(\vec{k}_\perp, \vec{q}_{Tn}) k_\perp^2}{q_\perp^2} \right\} \left\{ \ln \frac{\nu}{Q z_c} - F \left[\frac{(\vec{q}_\perp^2 + m_D^2) t_M}{Q z_c} \right] \right\}$$

$$t_F = \frac{Q z_c}{q_\perp^2 + m_D^2}$$



Formation time for radiation

$t_M \gg t_F$: Long Lived medium : $F \rightarrow 0$: $\nu_j \sim Q z_c$

$t_M \ll t_F$: Short Lived medium: $F(x) \rightarrow \ln x$: $\nu_j \sim q_\perp^2 t_M \ll Q z_c$

An EFT within SCET

Step 2: Write down an effective Lagrangian at leading power in x for these d.o.fs

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

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

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

An effective field theory for forward scattering and factorization violation

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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