

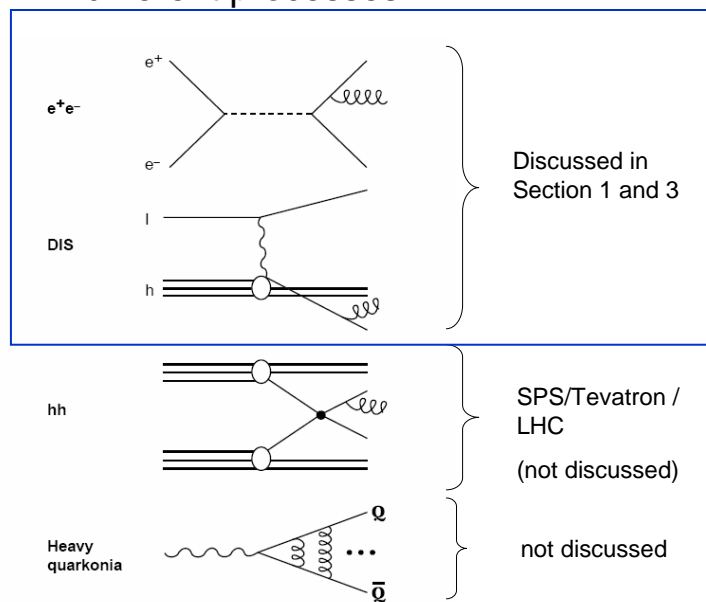
VII. Experimental Tests of QCD

1. Test of QCD in e^+e^- annihilation
2. Running of the strong coupling constant
3. Study of QCD in deep inelastic scattering

Disclaimer:

Due to the lack of time I have selected only a few items!

Test of QCD in different processes



1. Test of QCD in e^+e^- annihilation

1.1 Discovery of the gluon

Discovery of 3-jet events by the TASSO collaboration (PETRA) in 1977:

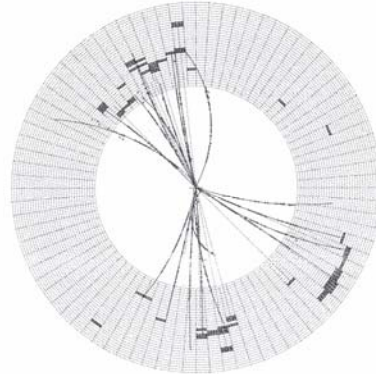
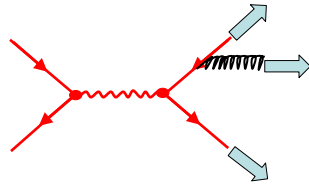


Fig. 11.12 A three-jet event observed by the JADE detector at PETRA.

3-jet events are interpreted as quark pairs with an additional hard gluon.

$$\frac{\#3\text{-jet events}}{\#2\text{-jet events}} \approx 0.15 \sim \alpha_s$$



α_s is large

at $\sqrt{s}=20$ GeV

1.2 Spin of the gluon

Angular distribution of jets depend on gluon spin:

Ordering of 3 jets: $E_1 > E_2 > E_3$

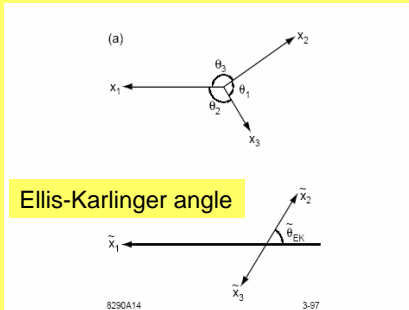


Figure 8: (a) Representation of the momentum vectors in a three-jet event, and (b) definition of the Ellis-Karliner angle.

Measure direction of jet-1 in the rest frame of jet-2 and jet-3: θ_{EK}

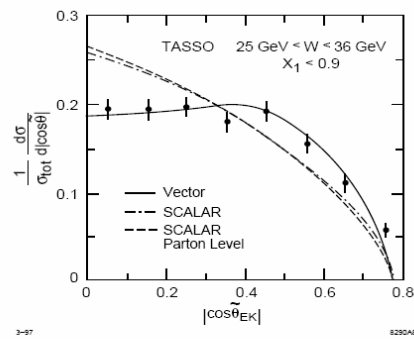


Figure 9: The Ellis-Karliner angle distribution of three-jet events recorded by TASSO at $Q \sim 30$ GeV [18]; the data favour spin-1 (vector) gluons.

Gluon spin $J=1$

1.3 Multi-jet events and gluon self coupling

Non-abelian gauge theory (SU(3))

4-jet events

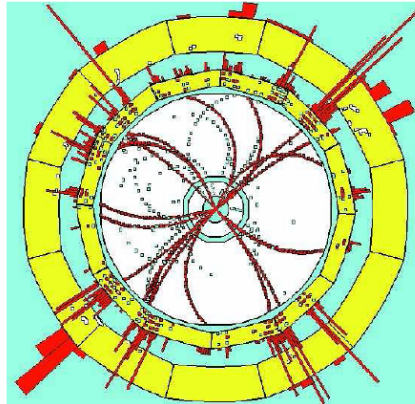
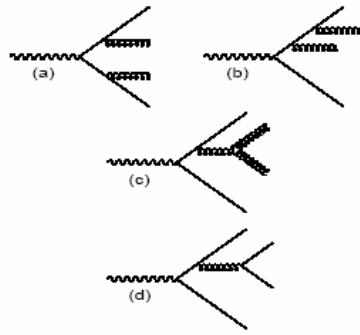


Figure 1: Hadronic event of the type $e^+e^- \rightarrow 4$ jets recorded with the ALEPH detector at LEP-1.

➡ 4 jet events allow to test the existence of gluon self coupling.

Multiple jets and jet algorithm

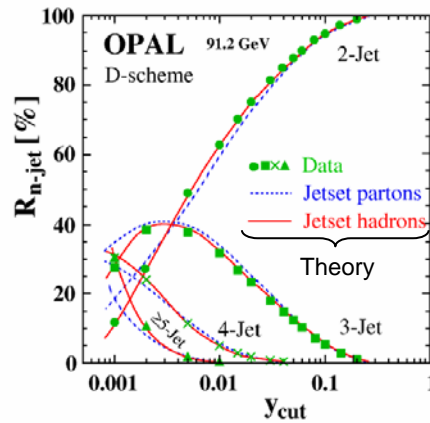
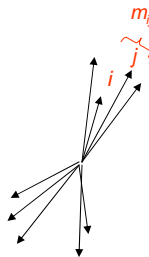
Jet Algorithm

Hadronic particles i and j are grouped to a pseudo particle k as long as the invariant mass is smaller than the **jet resolution parameter**:

$$\frac{m_{ij}^2}{s} < y_{cut}$$

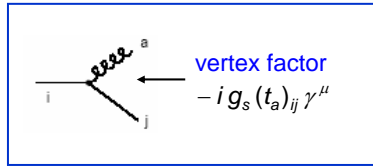
m_{ij} is the invariant mass of i and j .

Remaining pseudo particles are **jets**.



Color factors from 4-jet events

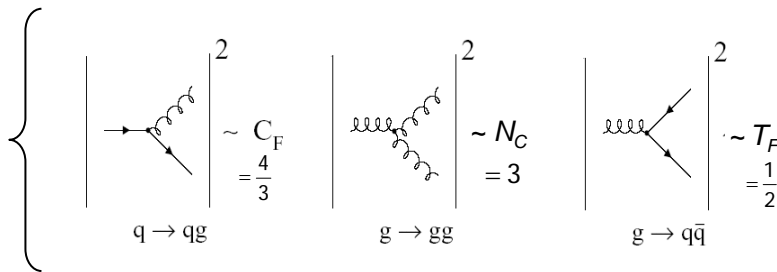
Color factors:



Contribution to cross section:

$$\left| \text{Diagram} \right|^2 \sim \sum_{a=1}^8 \sum_{k=1}^3 (t_a)_{ik} (t_a)_{kj} \sim C_F = \frac{4}{3}$$

Different relative angular distribution



Angular correlation of jets in 4-jet events

4-jet cross section:

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_0} d\sigma^4 = \left(\frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \right)^2 \left[F_A + \left(1 - \frac{1 N_C}{2 C_F} \right) F_B + \frac{N_C}{C_F} F_C \right] + \left(\frac{\alpha_s C_F}{\pi} \right)^2 \left[\frac{T_F}{C_F} N_f F_D + \left(1 - \frac{1 N_C}{2 C_F} \right) F_E \right]$$

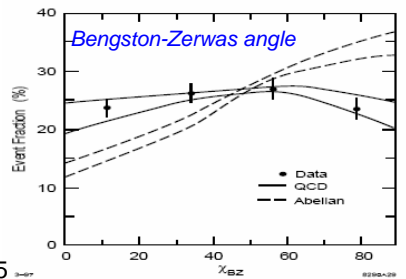
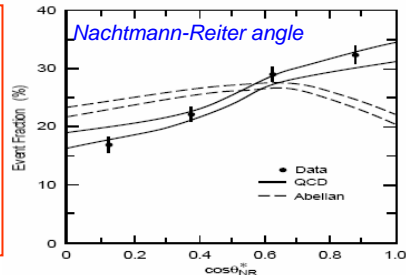
$F_{A,B,C,D,E}$ are kinematic functions

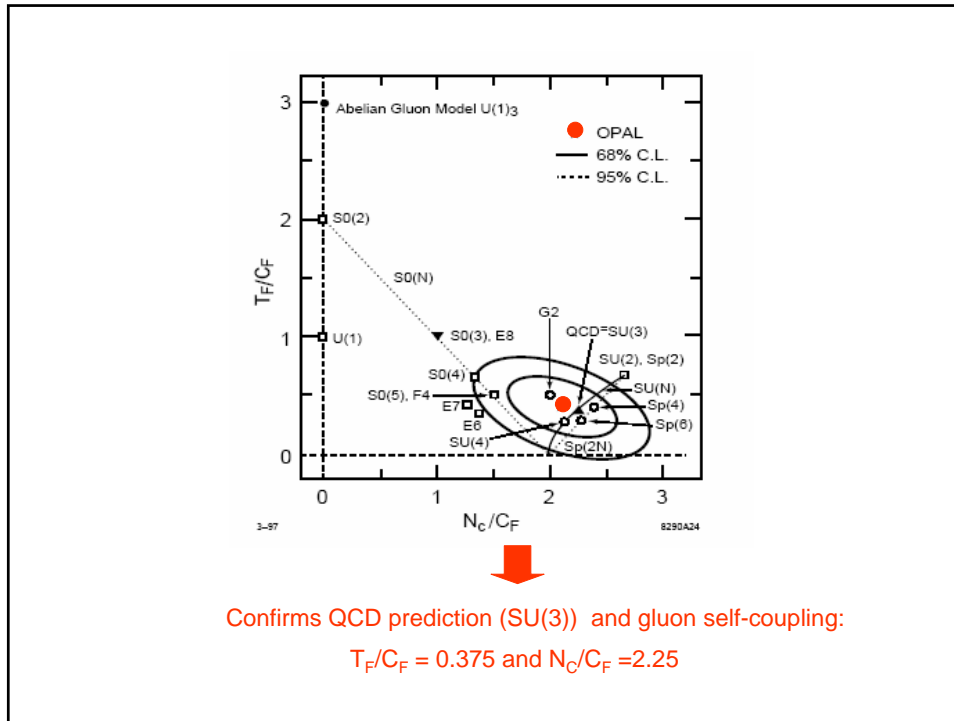
Exploiting the angular distribution of 4-jets:

- Bengston-Zerwas angle
 $\cos \chi_{BZ} \propto (\vec{p}_1 \times \vec{p}_2) \cdot (\vec{p}_3 \times \vec{p}_4)$
- Nachtmann-Reiter angle
 $\cos \theta_{NR} \propto (\vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_2) \cdot (\vec{p}_3 - \vec{p}_4)$

Allows to measure the ratios T_F/C_F and N_C/C_F

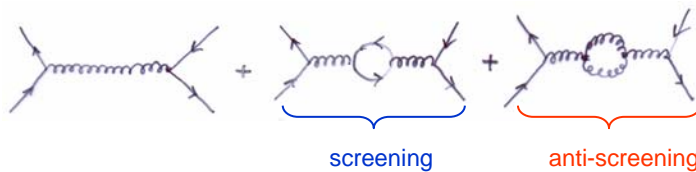
SU(3) predicts: $T_F/C_F = 0.375$ and $N_C/C_F = 2.25$





2. "Running" of the strong coupling α_s

Propagator corrections:



Strong coupling $\alpha_s(Q^2)$

$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{1 + \alpha_s(\mu^2) \frac{1}{12\pi} (33 - 2n_f) \log \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}}$$

n_f = active quark flavors
 μ^2 = renormalization scale
 conventionally $\mu^2 = M_Z^2$

$$\beta_0 = \frac{1}{12\pi} (33 - 2n_f)$$

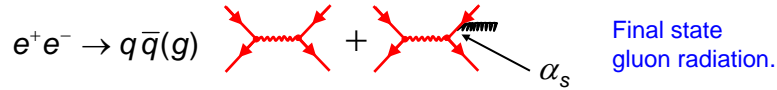
$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\beta_0 \log(Q^2/\Lambda_{QCD}^2)}$$

with $\Lambda_{QCD} \approx 200\text{MeV}$
 scale at which perturbation theory diverges

Measurement of Q^2 dependence of α_s

➔ α_s measurements are done at given scale Q^2 : $\alpha_s(Q^2)$

a) α_s from total hadronic cross section



$$\sigma_{had}(s) = \sigma_{had}^{QED}(s) \left[1 + \frac{\alpha_s(s)}{\pi} + 1.411 \cdot \frac{\alpha_s(s)^2}{\pi^2} + \dots \right]$$

$$R_{had} = \frac{\sigma(ee \rightarrow hadrons)}{\sigma(ee \rightarrow \mu\mu)} = 3 \sum Q_q^2 \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} + 1.411 \frac{\alpha_s^2}{\pi^2} + \dots \right\}$$

➔ $\alpha_s(s)$

b) α_s from hadronic event shape variables

3-jet rate: $R_3 \equiv \frac{\sigma_{3-jet}}{\sigma_{had}}$ depends on α_s

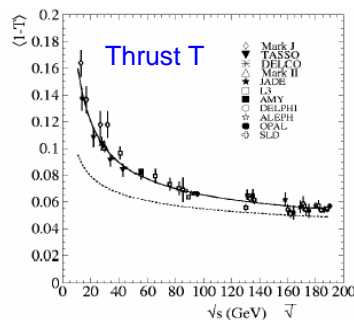
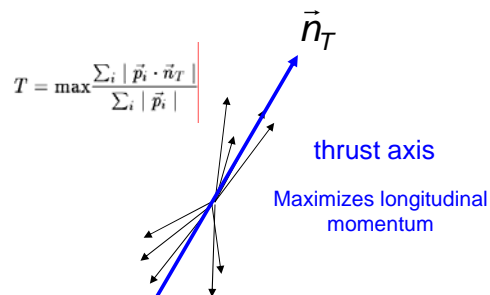
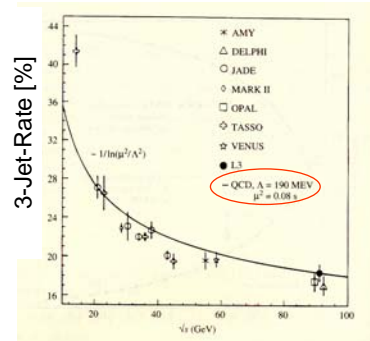
3-jet rate is measured as function of a jet resolution parameter y_{cut}

QCD calculation provides a theoretical prediction for $R_3^{theo}(\alpha_s, y_{cut})$

→ fit $R_3^{theo}(\alpha_s, y_{cut})$ to the data to determine α_s

Similarly other event shape variables (sphericity, thrust,...) can be used to obtain a prediction for α_s

➔ $\alpha_s(s)$



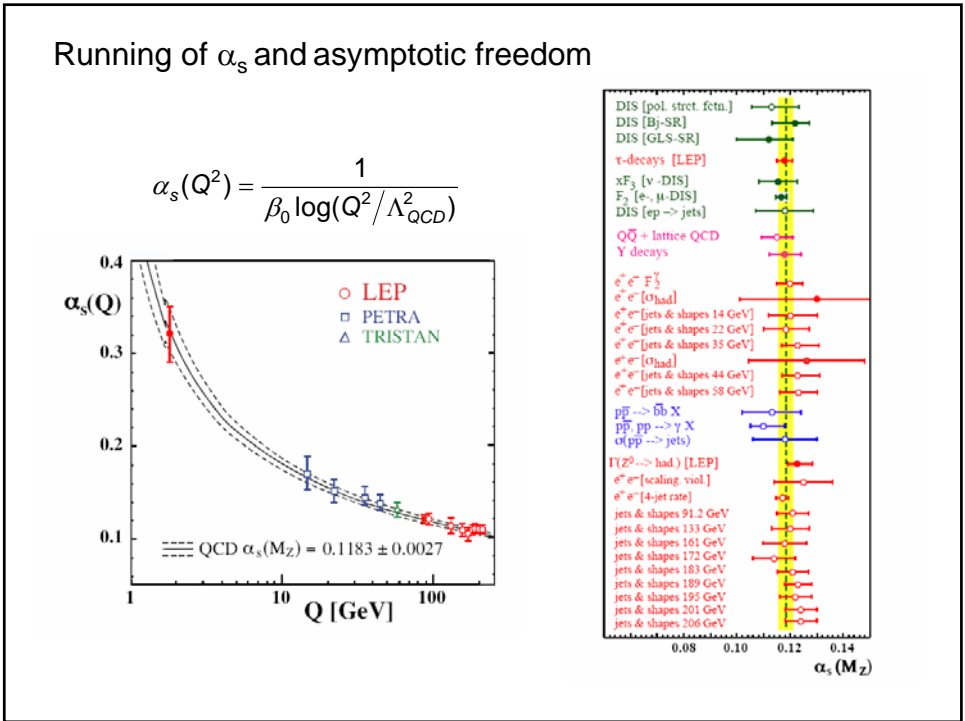
c) α_s from hadronic τ decays

$$R_{had}^\tau = \frac{\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{Hadrons})}{\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau + e\bar{\nu}_e)} \sim f(\alpha_s)$$

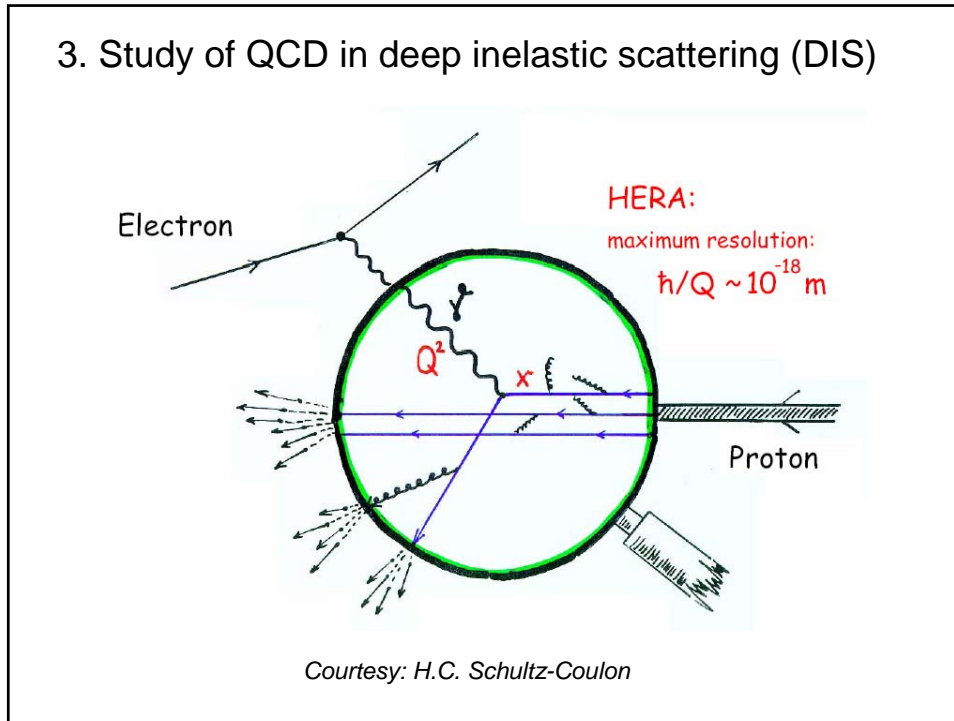
$$R_{had}^\tau = \frac{\left| \tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + q + \bar{q} \right|^2 + \left| \tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \bar{q} + q \right|^2}{\left| \tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau + e + \bar{e} \right|^2}$$

$$R_{had}^\tau = R_{had}^{\tau,0} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)}{\pi} + \dots \right)$$

d) α_s from DIS (deep inelastic scattering)



3. Study of QCD in deep inelastic scattering (DIS)



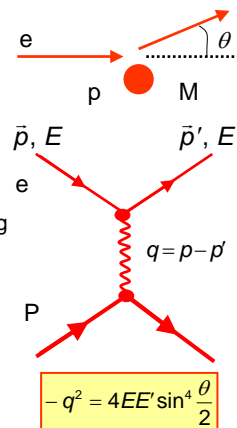
3.1 Elastic electron-proton scattering

General form of differential cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2}{4EE' \sin^4 \frac{\theta}{2}} \{ \dots \}$$

Rutherford

non pointlike scattering partners w/ spin



Spin 1/2 electron +

Pointlike target w/o spin
Mott scattering

$$\{ \dots \}_{Mott}^{elastic} = \left(\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

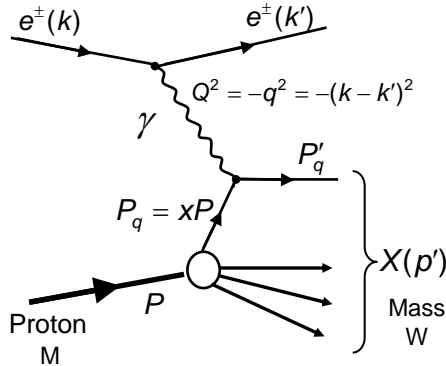
Pointlike target w/ spin
and mass M

$$\{ \dots \}_{e\mu \rightarrow e\mu}^{elastic} = \left(\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{Q^2}{2M^2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

Extended proton w/ spin

$$\{ \dots \}_{ep \rightarrow ep}^{elastic} = \left(\frac{G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2}{1 + \tau} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + 2\tau G_M^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \quad \text{mit } \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}$$

3.2 DIS in the quark parton model (QPM)



- Elastic scattering: $W = M$
 \Rightarrow only one free variable

$$\frac{Q^2}{2M\nu} = 1$$

- Inelastic scattering: $W \neq M$
 \Rightarrow scattering described by 2 independent variables

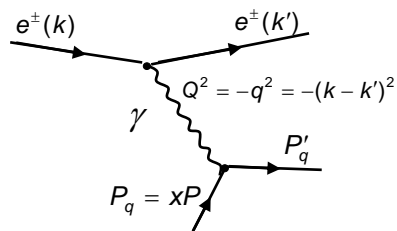
$$(E, \nu), (Q^2, x), (x, y), \dots$$

- x = fractional momentum of struck quark
- y = Pq/Pk = elasticity, fractional energy transfer in proton rest frame
- ν = $E - E'$ = energy transfer in lab

$$\left. \begin{aligned} Q^2 &= sxy & s &= \text{CMS energy} \\ x &= \frac{Q^2}{2M\nu} & & \text{(Bjorken } x) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Cross section in quark parton model (QPM)

Elastic scattering on single quark



Starting point:
electron muon scattering

$$\left\{ \dots \right\}_{e\mu \rightarrow e\mu}^{\text{elastic}} = \left(\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{Q^2}{2M^2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

Electron-quark scattering:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ^2} = \left(\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \right) \frac{E'}{E} \cdot \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{charge}}}{e_f^2} \left(\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{Q^2}{2x^2 M^2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

$$\sigma \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right) = \sum_i q_i(x) \sigma_i \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right)$$

Parton density $q_i(x)dx$: Probability to find parton i in momentum interval $[x, x+dx]$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dQ^2 dx} = \left(\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \right) \frac{E'}{E} \cdot \underbrace{\sum_i \int_0^1 e_i^2 q_i(\xi) \cdot \delta(x - \xi) d\xi}_{\text{parton density}} \left(\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{Q^2}{2x^2 M^2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

Structure functions

$$F_2(x) = x \sum_i \int_0^1 e_i^2 q_i(\xi) \cdot \delta(x - \xi) d\xi = x \sum_i e_i^2 q_i(x)$$

$$F_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i e_i^2 q_i(x) \quad \text{ignore ant-quarks!}$$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dQ^2 dx} = \left(\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4} \right) \frac{E'}{E} \cdot \left(\frac{F_2(x)}{x} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + 2F_1(x) \frac{Q^2}{2x^2 M^2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

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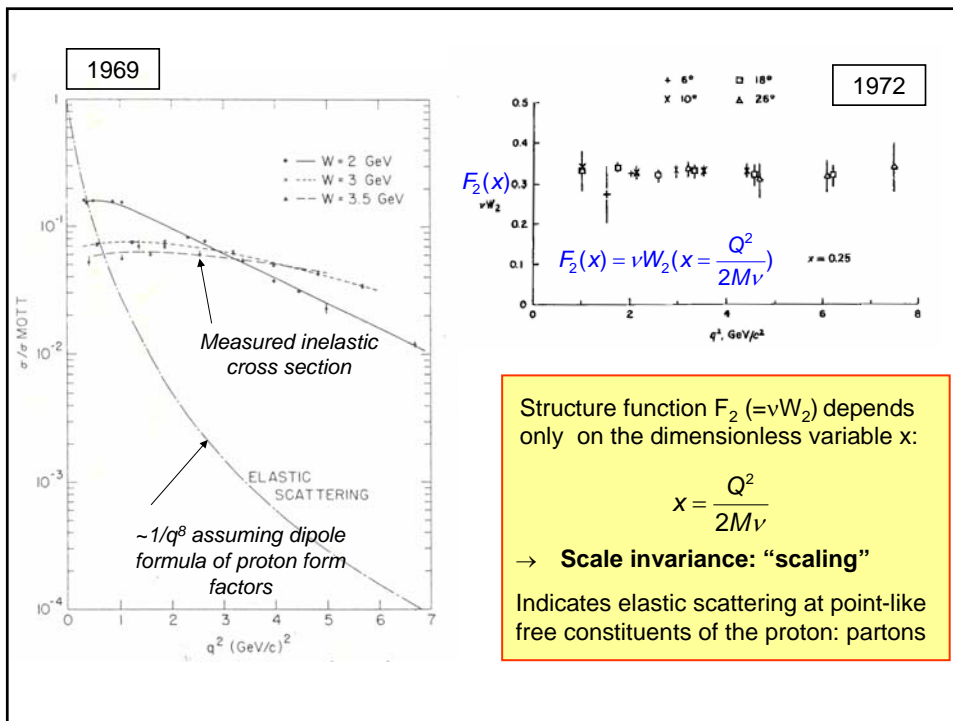
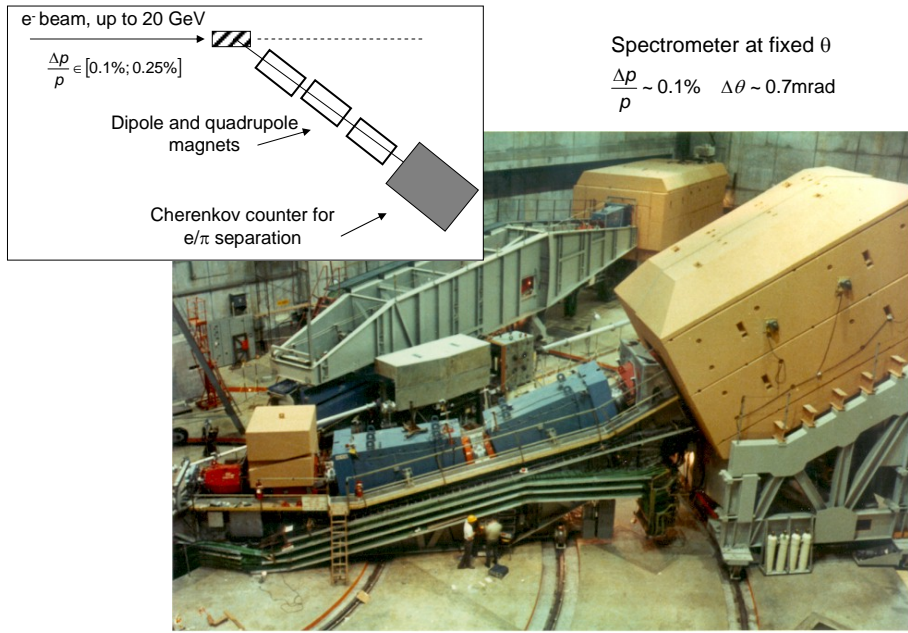
Kinematical relations

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dQ^2 dx} = \left(\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{Q^4 x} \right) \cdot \left((1-y)F_2(x) + xy^2 F_1(x) \right)$$

Deep inelastic electron-proton scattering:

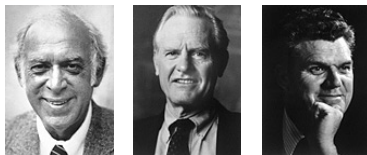
- Free partons: $F_2 = F_2(x) \Leftrightarrow$ "scaling"
- Spin $\frac{1}{2}$ partons: $2xF_1(x) = F_2(x)$
(Callan-Gross relation)

SLAC/MIT Experiment (1969)





The Nobel Prize in Physics 1990



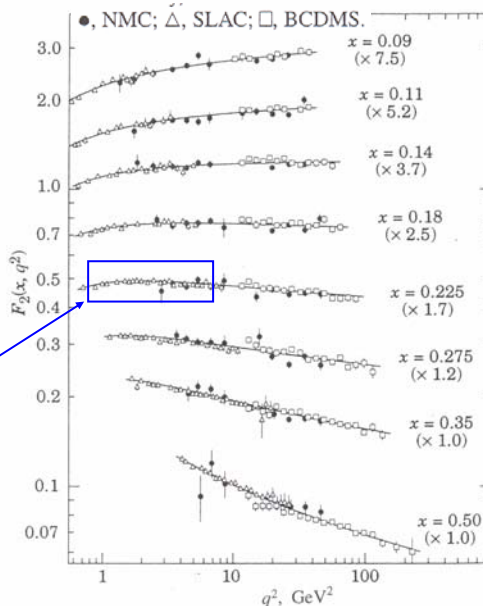
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"for their pioneering investigations concerning deep inelastic scattering of electrons on protons and bound neutrons, which have been of essential importance for the development of the quark model in particle physics"

3.5 Scaling violation

$$F_2 = F_2(x, Q^2) = x \sum_i e_i^2 q_i(x)$$

Region of 1st SLAC measurement (1972)



QCD explains observed scaling violation

Large x: valence quarks

$Q^2 \uparrow \Rightarrow F_2 \downarrow$ for fixed x

Small x: Gluons, sea quarks

$Q^2 \uparrow \Rightarrow F_2 \uparrow$ for fixed x

Scaling violation is one of the clearest manifestation of radiative effect predicted by QCD.

Quantitative description of scaling violation

Quark Parton Model

$$F_2(x) = x \sum_i e_i^2 \int_0^1 q_i(\xi) \cdot \delta(x - \xi) d\xi = x \sum_i e_i^2 q_i(x)$$

$\delta(ax) = \frac{1}{|a|} \delta(x)$

QCD

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = x \sum_i e_i^2 \int_0^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} q_i(\xi) \cdot \left[\delta\left(1 - \frac{x}{\xi}\right) + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{qq}\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right) \log \frac{Q^2}{\mu_0^2} \right]$$

$\sim \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{qq}(z) \int_{\mu_0^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dk_T^2}{k_T^2}$
 $\sim \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{qq}(z) \log\left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu_0^2}\right)$

P_{qq} probability of a quark to emit gluon and becoming a quark with momentum reduced by fraction z.

μ_0 cutoff parameter

Changing to the quark densities:

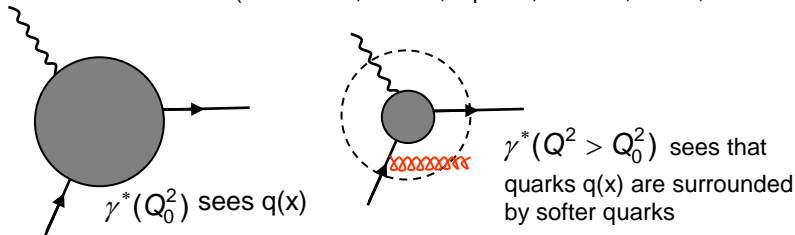
$$q_i(x, Q^2) = q_i(x) + \underbrace{\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \log \frac{Q^2}{\mu_0^2} \int_0^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} q_i(\xi) P_{qq}\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right)}_{\Delta q(x, Q^2)}$$

Integro-differential equation for $q(x, Q^2)$:

$$\frac{d}{d \log Q^2} q(x, Q^2) = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} q(\xi, Q^2) P_{qq}\left(\frac{x}{\xi}\right)$$

DGLAP evolution equation

(Dokshitzer, Gribov, Lipatov, Altarelli, Parisi, 1972 – 1977)



Evolution of parton densities (quarks and gluons)

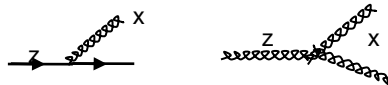
evolution of quark density with $\ln Q^2$

$$\frac{\partial q(x, Q^2)}{\partial \ln Q^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \left[q(z, Q^2) P_{qq}\left(\frac{x}{z}\right) + g(z, Q^2) P_{gq}\left(\frac{x}{z}\right) \right]$$



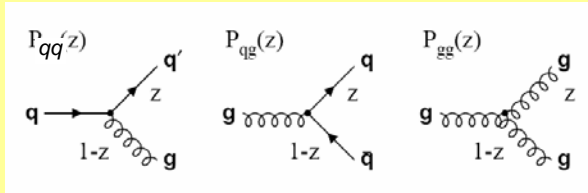
$$\frac{\partial g(x, Q^2)}{\partial \ln Q^2} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} \left[q(z, Q^2) P_{gq}\left(\frac{x}{z}\right) + g(z, Q^2) P_{gg}\left(\frac{x}{z}\right) \right]$$

evolution of gluon density with $\ln Q^2$



Splitting functions: Probability that a parton (quark or gluon) emits a parton (q, g) with momentum fraction $\epsilon=x/z$ of the parent parton.

Splitting functions are calculated as power series in α_s up to a given order:



$$P_{ij}(z, \alpha_s) = P_{ij}^0(z) + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} P_{ij}^1(z) + \dots$$

In leading order: $P_{ij}(z, \alpha_s) \equiv P_{ij}^0(z)$

$$P_{qq}(z) = \frac{4}{3} \frac{1+z^2}{1-z}$$

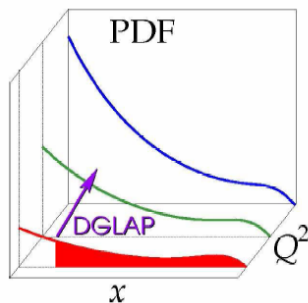
$$P_{gq}(z) = \frac{4}{3} \frac{1+(1-z)^2}{z}$$

$$P_{qg}(z) = \frac{z^2 + (1-z)^2}{2}$$

$$P_{gg}(z) = 6 \left(\frac{z}{1-z} + \frac{1-z}{z} + z(1-z) \right)$$

DGLAP Evolution (“symbolic”):

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \log Q^2} \begin{bmatrix} q(x, Q^2) \\ g(x, Q^2) \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \begin{bmatrix} P_{qq} \left[\frac{x}{z} \right] & P_{qg} \left[\frac{x}{z} \right] \\ P_{gq} \left[\frac{x}{z} \right] & P_{gg} \left[\frac{x}{z} \right] \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} q(x, Q^2) \\ g(x, Q^2) \end{bmatrix}$$

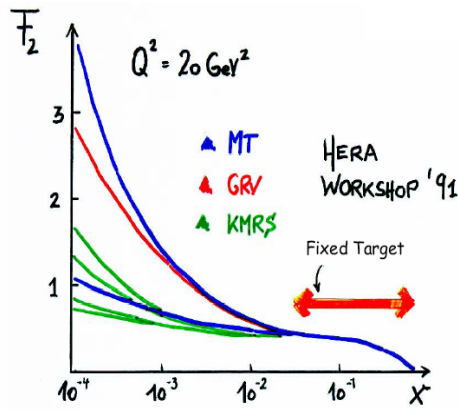


$$P \otimes f(x, Q^2) = \int_x^1 \frac{dz}{z} P\left(\frac{x}{z}\right) f(z, Q^2)$$

QCD evolution

x dependence of parton densities:

Cannot be deduced from fundamental principles.



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DGLAP:

Q^2 dependence at given x
but no prediction for the x
dependence of the parton
densities.

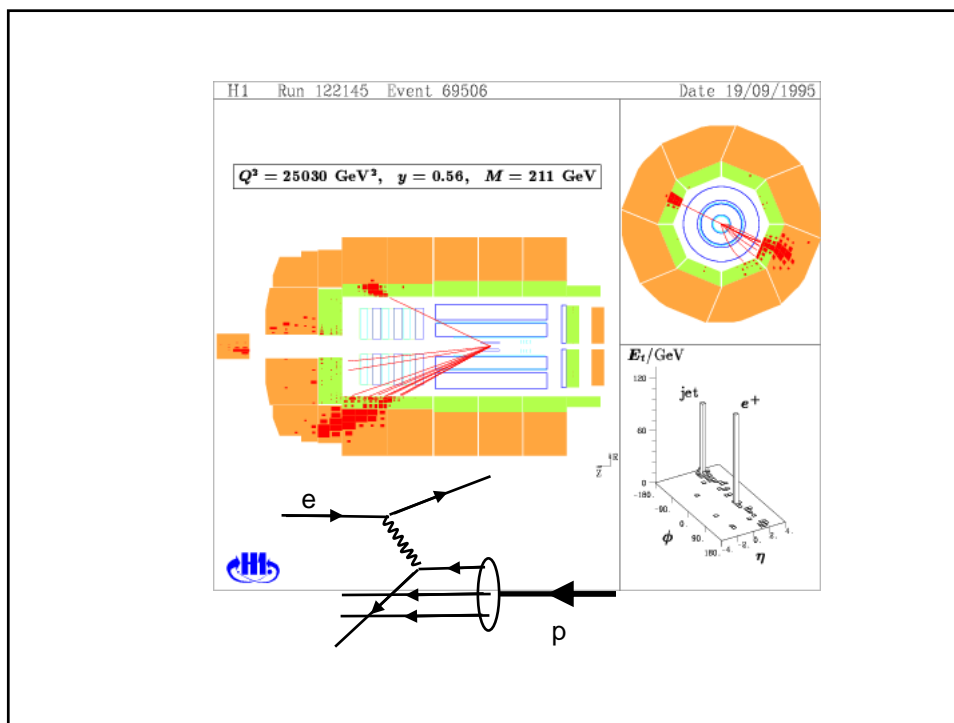
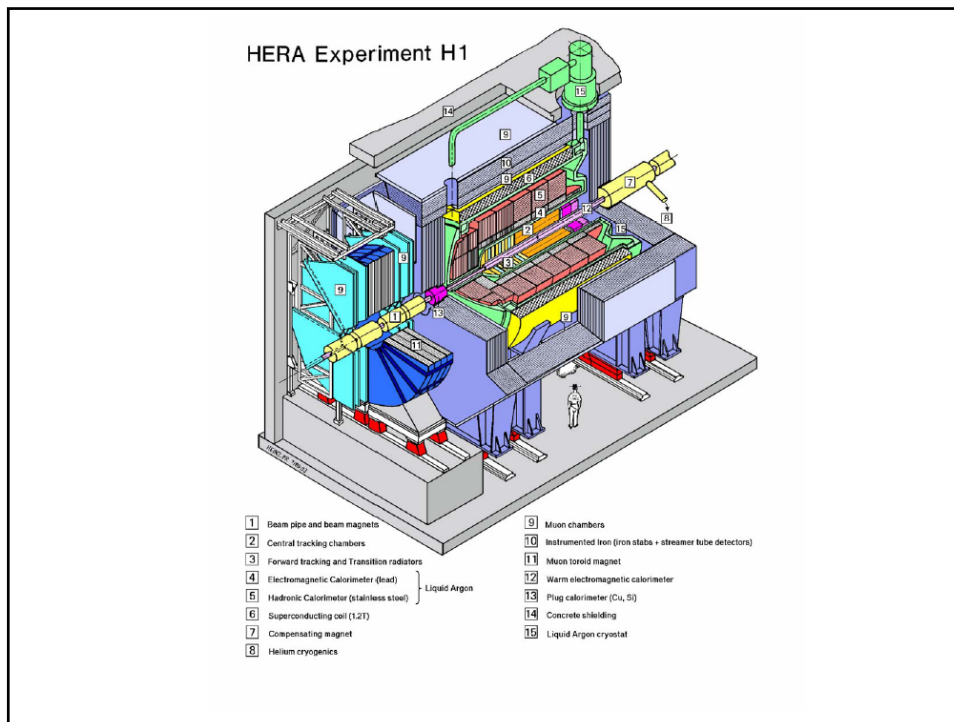
Status in 1991 (pre HERA):
Data limited to a small x region.
Models to extrapolate to smaller
 x differed significantly.

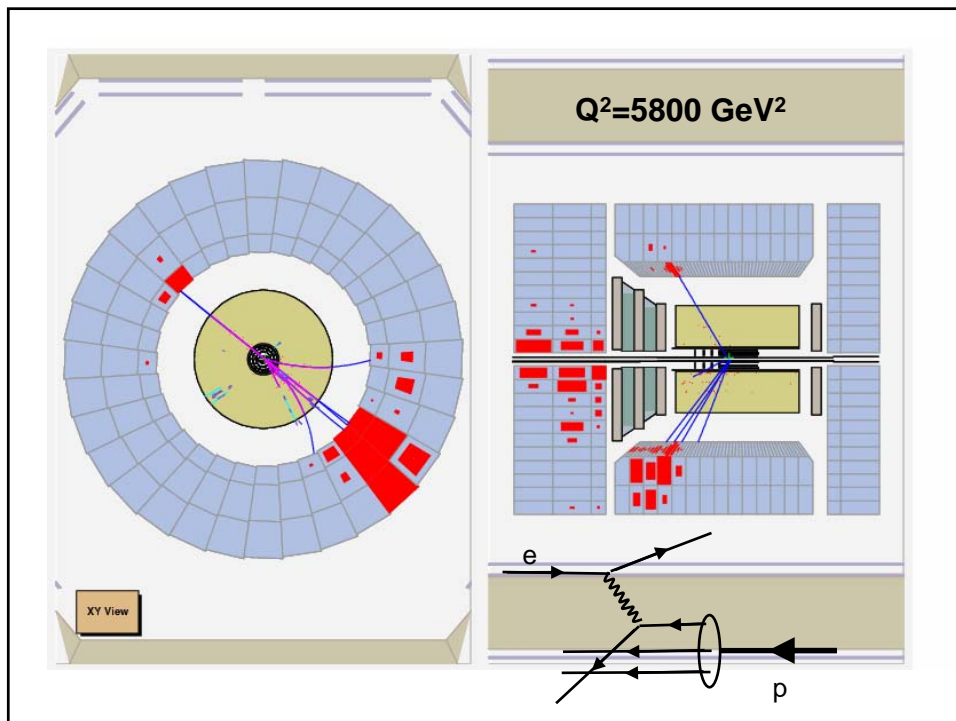
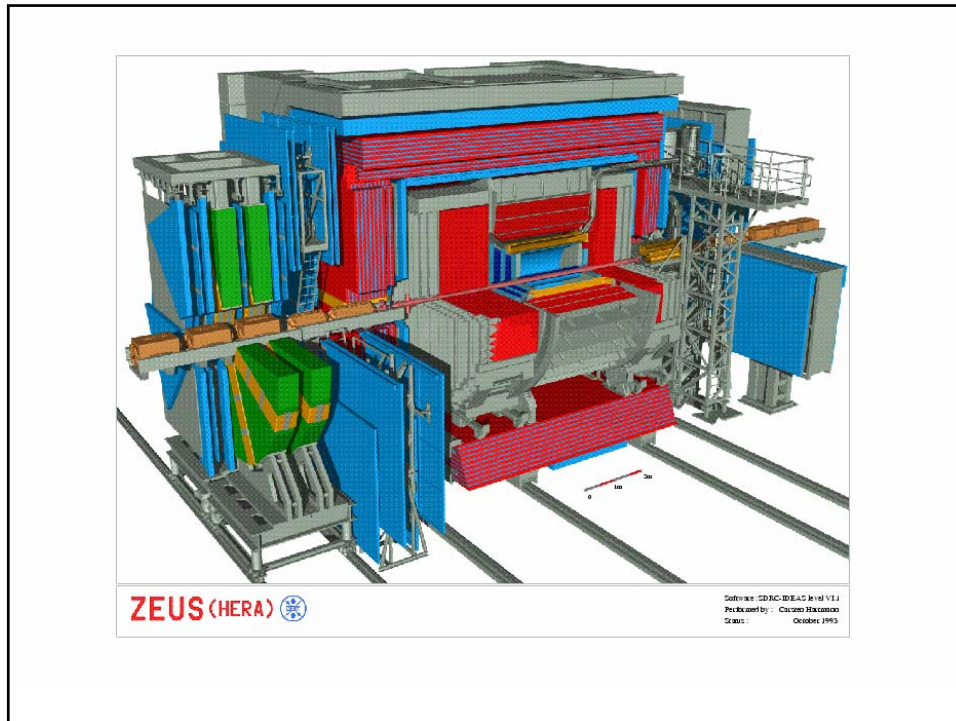


Measure structure functions
(parton densities) at low x .

HERA $\xrightarrow{e^+ 30\text{GeV}}$ $\xleftarrow{p 900\text{GeV}}$ $s = 4E_e E_p \approx 10^5 \text{GeV}^2$







Measurement of the parton densities / F_2

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dx dQ^2} = \left(\frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} \right) \cdot (2 \cdot (1-y)F_2(x, Q^2) + y^2 F_2(x, Q^2))$$



e.g. for $y=1$ $Q^2 = sxy$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dx dQ^2} = \left(\frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} \right) \cdot F_2(x, Q^2)$$

$$F_2(x, Q^2) = x \sum_q e_q^2 [q(x, Q^2) + \bar{q}(x, Q^2)]$$

