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PQCD Prediction for the Proton's Pauli Form Factor

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Outline

- Hard exclusive processes and Brodsky-Farrar counting rule
- A generalized counting rule
- F_2 and orbital angular momentum (OAM)
- Form factors and their interpretation
- F_2 at large Q^2 and pQCD predictions
- Implications

Hard Exclusive Processes

■ Definition

- Initial & final states with fixed (small) numbers of hadrons (+ leptons + gauge bosons)
- All kinematical invariants (s, t, u, \dots) going to infinity at the same rate.

Examples:

form factors, $\gamma \rightarrow p \rightarrow p, p+p \rightarrow p+p$, etc

■ Cross section

- Decays algebraically $1/s$.
- Ruled out string theory as the fundamental theory of strong interactions (there is, however, a reincarnation through AdS/CFT...)

Brodsky-Farrar Counting Rule

- Based on dimensional analysis

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \sim s^{-2 + \sum_H (n_H - 1)}$$

Brodsky-Farrar(1973)
Matveev et al. (1973)

where n_H is the minimal number of partons in “hadron” H

Valid for any renormalizable field theory

- Examples

$$p+p \rightarrow p+p \quad d\sigma/dt \sim s^{\otimes 10}$$

$$\gamma_{\text{p}}+p \rightarrow \square+p \quad d\sigma/dt \sim s^{\otimes 7}$$

$$\gamma_{\text{p}}+D \rightarrow n+p \quad d\sigma/dt \sim s^{\otimes 11}$$

Counting Rule in QCD

- Can be justified through **QCD factorization**. The rule is modified in general by the QCD running coupling (logarithms).
- QCD factorization is nontrivial!
 - Chernyak & Zhitnitsky, Efremov & Radyushkin, Brodsky&Lepage, Duncan&Muller, Botts&Sterman, etc.
- Counting rule works **ONLY** for the leading, *hadron helicity conserving* amplitudes
 - Hadrons are made of quarks
 - Hadron helicity = sum of quark helicities
(leading light-cone wave functions)
 - Total quark helicity is conserved in pQCD.

Hadron-Helicity Non-Conserving Amplitude??

- Assume QCD factorization!
- Hadron-helicity change can occur only through
 - Quark mass effects. (not important)
 - **Quark orbital angular momentum** (OAM) in the hadron wave function
 - **Gluon component** in the hadron wave function.

The last two often come together to guarantee gauge invariance. We will mostly focus on OAM.

Generalized Counting Rule

- Hep-ph/0301141 (Ji, Ma & Yuan)
- We write down general structure of the light-cone wave functions for hadrons with **OAM**.
- We derive the asymptotic behavior of the amplitudes at large transverse momentum.
- From which we derive the generalized counting rule for the cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \sim s^{-2 + \sum_H (n_H + |l_{zH}| - 1)}$$

Applications

- $p+p \rightarrow p+p$, there are 5 amplitudes

$$M(++ \rightarrow ++) \sim M(+ - \rightarrow + -) \sim M(- + \rightarrow + -) \sim 1/s^4$$

$$M(++ \rightarrow + -) \sim 1/s^{9/2} \quad (\ell_Z = 1)$$

$$M(- - \rightarrow ++) \sim 1/s^5 \quad (\ell_Z = 2)$$

- New mechanism to explain the oscillation in cross section?

- $\gamma p \rightarrow \pi + n$ (doable at Jlab!)

$$M(\gamma + p_{\uparrow} \rightarrow \pi^+ + n_{\uparrow}) \sim 1/s^{5/2}$$

$$M(\gamma + p_{\uparrow} \rightarrow \pi^+ + n_{\downarrow}) \sim 1/s^3 \quad (\ell_Z = 1)$$

Nucleon's Pauli Form Factor F_2

- Define as the matrix elements of electromagnetic current

$$\langle p' | j^\mu | p \rangle = U(p') \left[F_1(q^2) \gamma^\mu + F_2(q^2) i \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu / 2M \right] U(p)$$

- Choose the Breit frame, F_2 is a helicity flip amplitude,

$$F_2 \sim \langle p' \downarrow | J^+ | p \uparrow \rangle$$

Brodsky & Drell: PRD (1980)

Role of Orbital Angular Momentum

- **Vital!**

Imagine there is no OAM:

- $F_2 \otimes 0$,

- $\mathcal{G} \otimes 0$ (*would have been discovered in 1933*)

- Models consistent with the QCD picture:

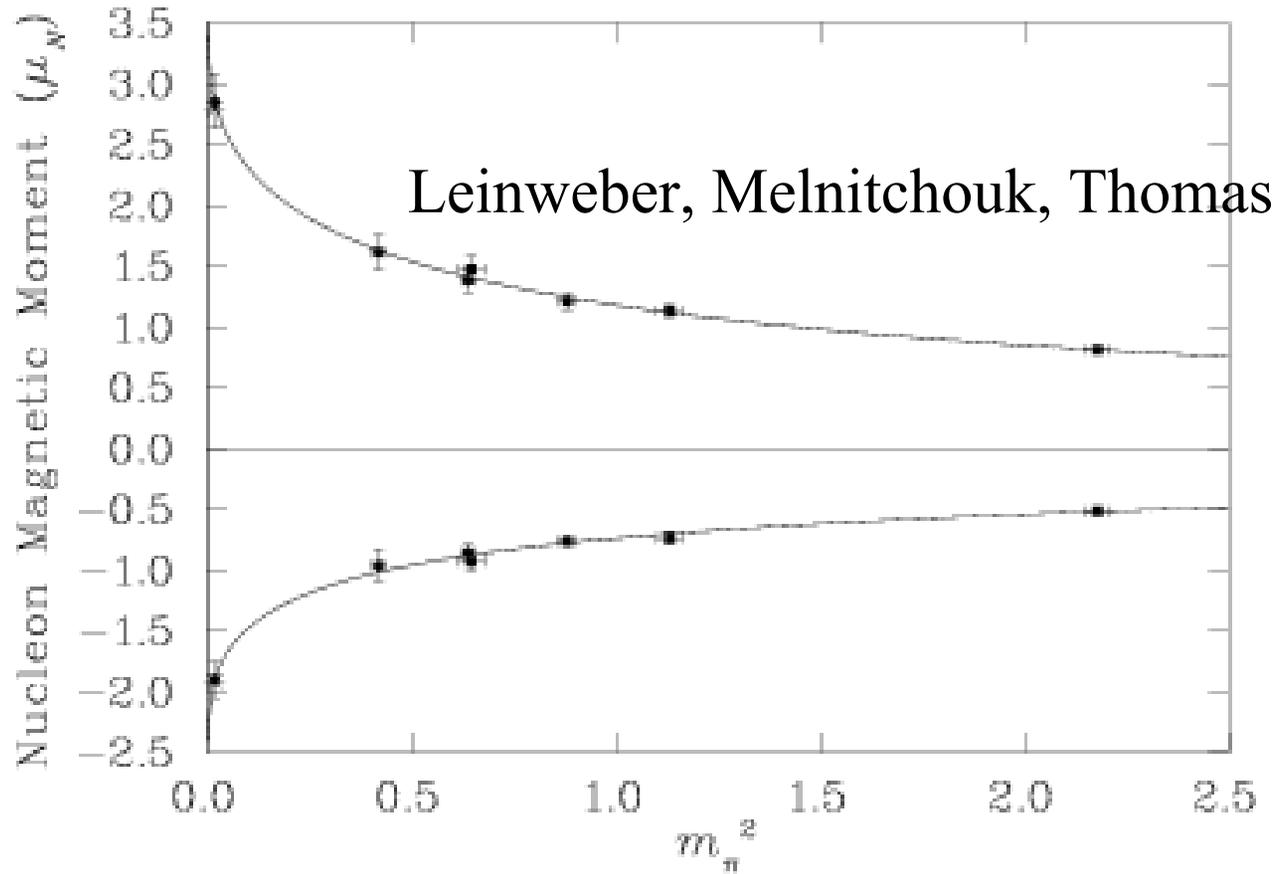
- **Meson cloud model**

In which the anomalous mag. mom. is generated by orbital motion of pions around a bare nucleon.

- **MIT bag model**

\mathcal{G} is proportional to the lower component of the quark wave function which is a p-wave.

Magnetic Moment from Lattice QCD



Large & reflects the chiral physics from the pion cloud.

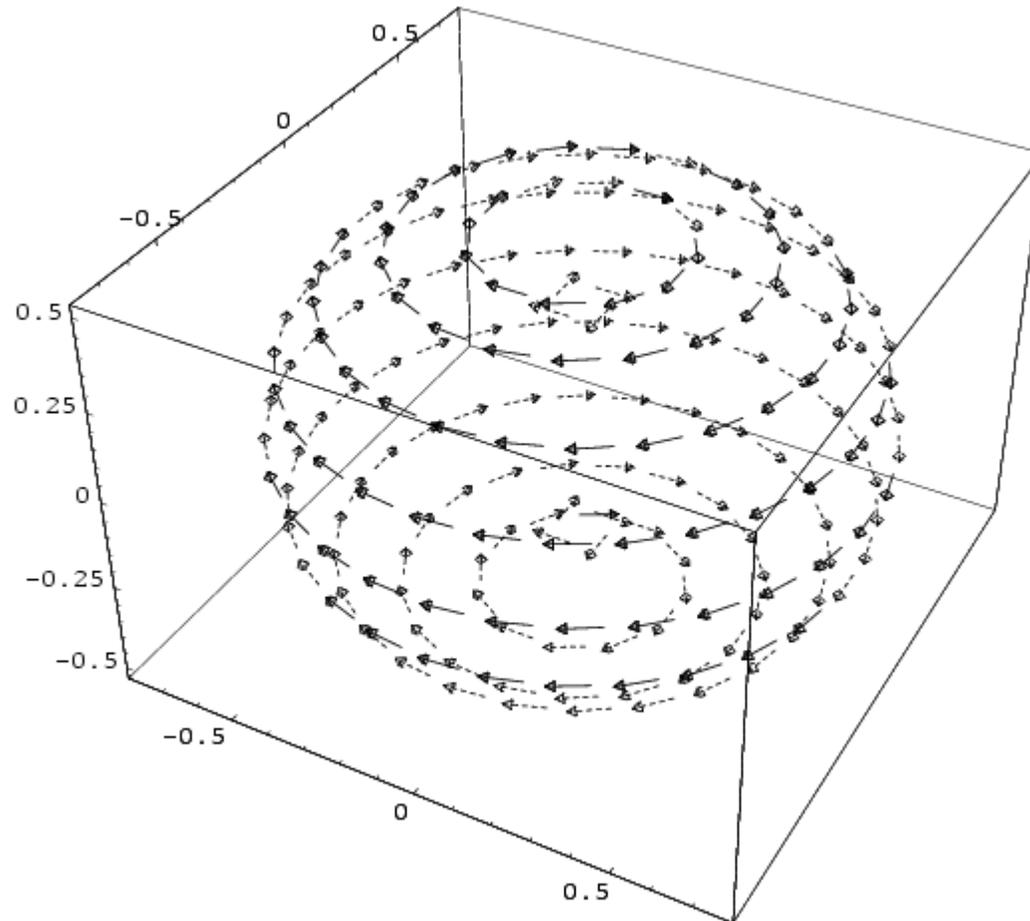
F₂ & Electric Current Distribution

- Electric current in the nucleon

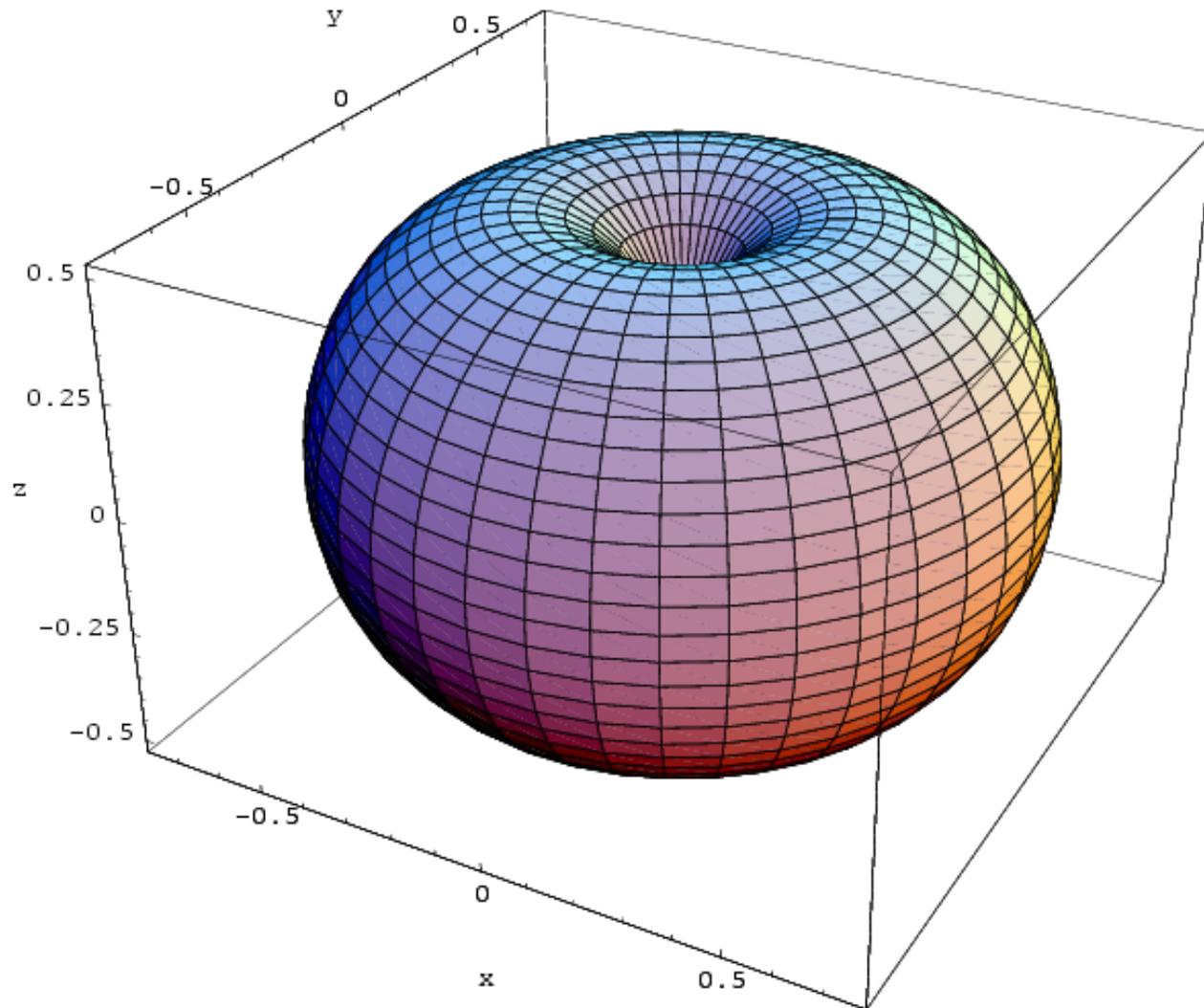
$$\vec{j}(\vec{r}) = \int \frac{d^3\vec{q}}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} i(\vec{s} \times \vec{q}) \frac{1}{2M} (F_1(q^2) + F_2(q^2))$$

- The current from F_1 is related to the static charge distribution in the nucleon, and might be interpreted as from quark magnetization.
- F_2 –term generates the current *directly from the quark orbital motion*.

Electric current produced by the quark orbital motion in the proton.



Surface of the constant current density

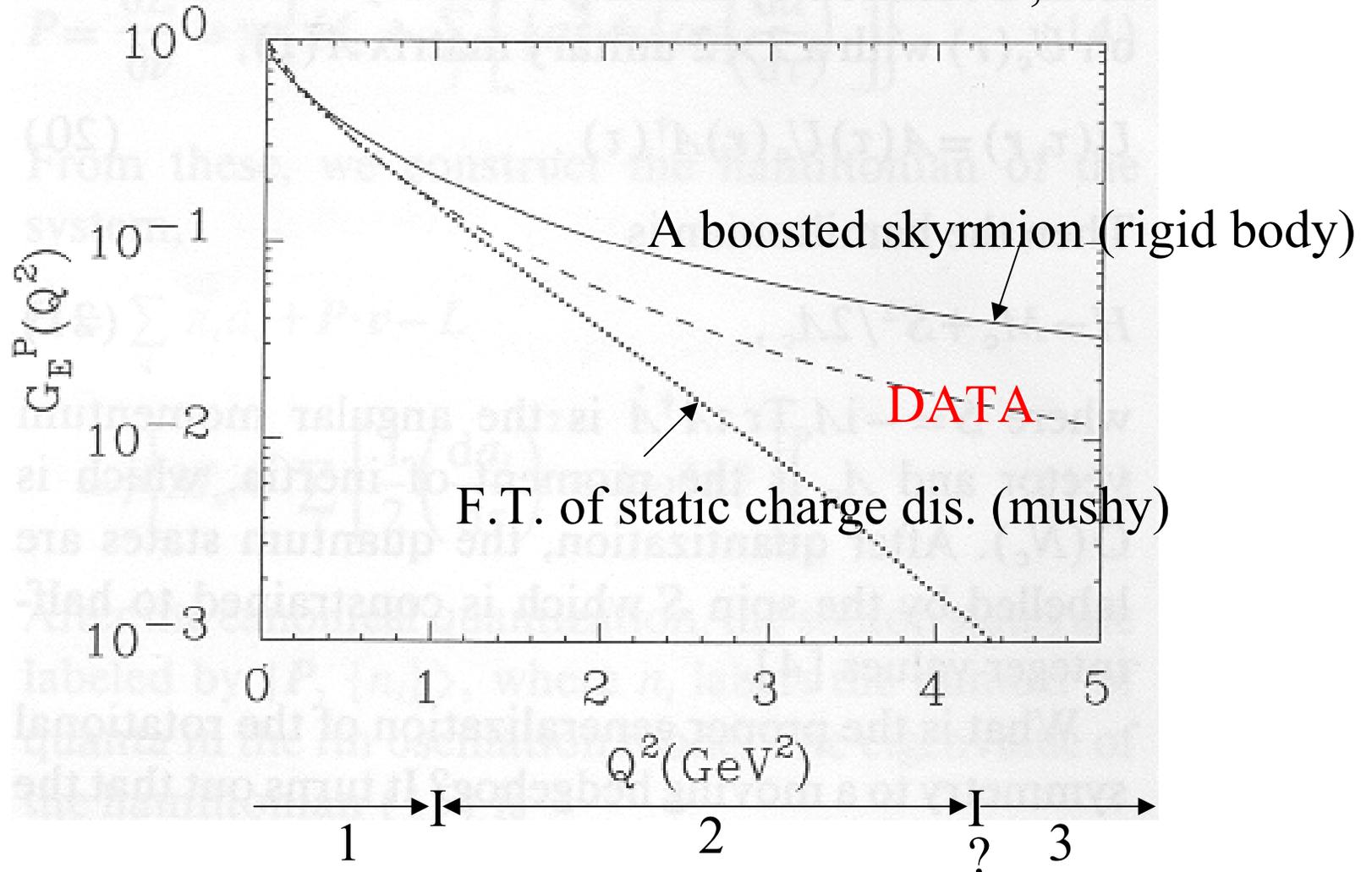


Physical Interpretation of Nucleon Form Factors

- Complicated by relativity!
 - One cannot localize a particle, and hence define the static size R , to a precision better than $1/M$!
 - For non-relativistic systems, $RM \ll 1$. But for the nucleon, $RM \sim 4$.
- Resolution and nucleon structure
 1. For photon momentum $Q \sim 1/R$, one probes the static distributions.
 2. For $Q \sim M$, the form factor is a result of internal structure and *mechanisms to keep the nucleon intact after absorbing a large momentum transfer*.
 3. For $Q \gg M$, the form factor is entirely dominated by the reaction mechanisms.

Electric Form Factor For A Skyrmion

X. Ji, 1991



Jlab F_2 Data

- Orbital angular momentum plays a key role!
(also, Ralston, Miller,...)
- Data at $Q^2 \sim 3\text{-}5 \text{ GeV}^2$ cannot be straightforwardly explained as static property.
 - When calculated in static models like bag model, skyrme model, etc. sensitively depends on how to boost the wave function. (factor of 2 to 10 effects)
 - In light-cone models where boost is easy (such as G. Miller's, nucl-th/0304076), it is not clear how to translate the wave function to the rest frame!

Going down from high Q^2 ...

- Reaction mechanism dominates the interpretation of F_2 , not the current distribution in the nucleon!
- S. Brodsky (SLAC) and collaborators predicted 20 years ago in pQCD

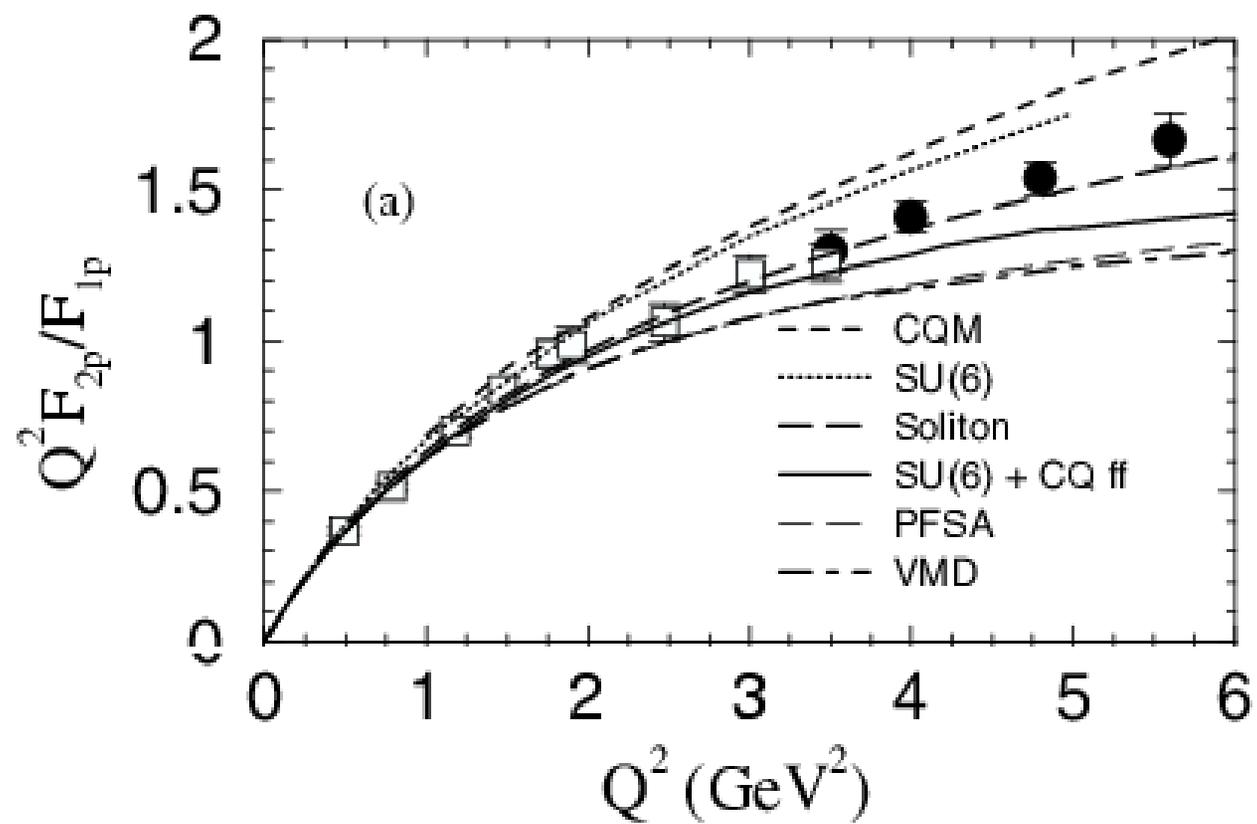
$$\frac{F_2(Q^2)}{F_1(Q^2)} \sim \frac{m_q M}{Q^2}$$

No OAM was included

Brodsky & Farrar (1975)

Brodsky & Lepage (1980)

- It disagrees with the recent Jlab data...
 - It is not applicable because the data is at too low Q^2 .



Quark OAM in the Proton

- Consider the light-cone wave functions of the proton with 3 quarks. There are 6 independent LC amplitudes:

$$|P \uparrow\rangle = |P \uparrow\rangle_{-3/2} + |P \uparrow\rangle_{-1/2} + |P \uparrow\rangle_{1/2} + |P \uparrow\rangle_{3/2}$$

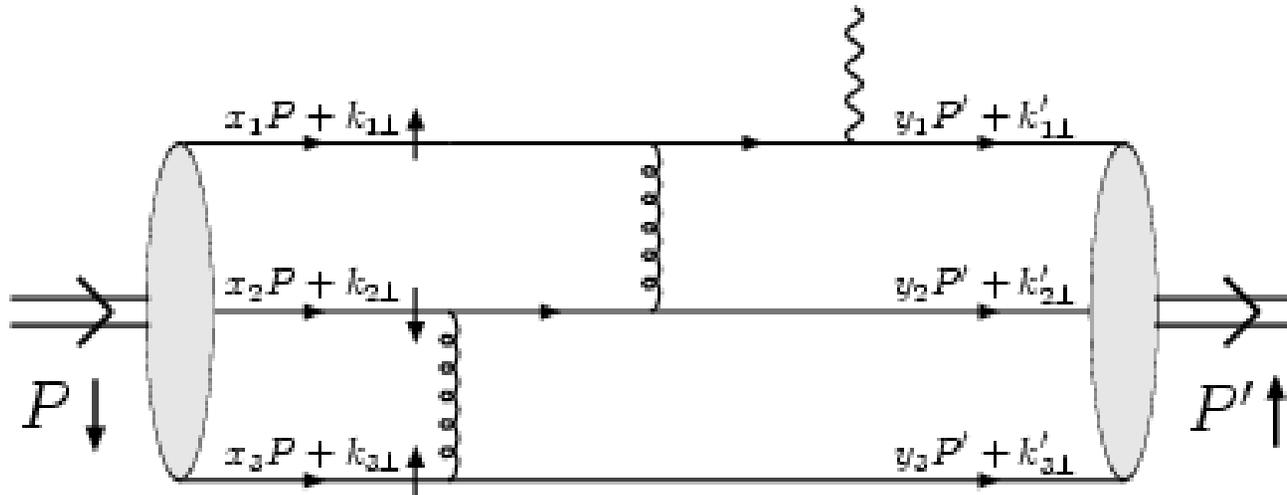
total
quark
helicity

$$|P \uparrow\rangle_{1/2} = \int d[1]d[2]d[3] \left(\underline{\tilde{\psi}^{(1)}}(1, 2, 3) + i(k_1^x k_2^y - k_1^y k_2^x) \underline{\tilde{\psi}^{(2)}}(1, 2, 3) \right) \\ \times \frac{\epsilon^{abc}}{\sqrt{6}} u_{a\uparrow}^\dagger(1) \left(u_{b\downarrow}^\dagger(2) d_{c\uparrow}^\dagger(3) - d_{b\downarrow}^\dagger(2) u_{c\uparrow}^\dagger(3) \right) |0\rangle ,$$

$$|P \uparrow\rangle_{-1/2} = \int d[1]d[2]d[3] \left((k_1^x + ik_1^y) \underline{\tilde{\psi}^{(3)}}(1, 2, 3) + (k_2^x + ik_2^y) \underline{\tilde{\psi}^{(4)}}(1, 2, 3) \right) \\ \times \frac{\epsilon^{abc}}{\sqrt{6}} \left(u_{a\uparrow}^\dagger(1) u_{b\downarrow}^\dagger(2) d_{c\downarrow}^\dagger(3) - d_{a\uparrow}^\dagger(1) u_{b\downarrow}^\dagger(2) u_{c\downarrow}^\dagger(3) \right) |0\rangle .$$

A pQCD Calculation of $F_2(Q)$

Belitsky, Ji & Yuan, hep-ph/0212234



$$F_2(Q^2) = \int [dx_i][dy_i] [x_3 \Phi_4(x_1, x_2, x_3) T_\Phi(x_i, y_i) + x_1 \Psi_4(x_2, x_1, x_3) T_\Psi(x_i, y_i)] \Phi_3(y_i)$$

$L_z=1$ $L_z=0$

Result

We predict that F_2 goes like $\mathcal{O}_s^2(\ln^2 Q^2)/Q^6$ and so

$$\frac{F_2(Q^2)}{F_1(Q^2)} \sim \frac{1}{Q^2} \log^2(Q^2 / \Lambda^2)$$

The power behavior confirms the Brodsky et al. prediction!
And also the generalized power counting of Ji, Ma & Yuan.
But it is accurate to logarithms!

Brodsky, Hiller & Hwang

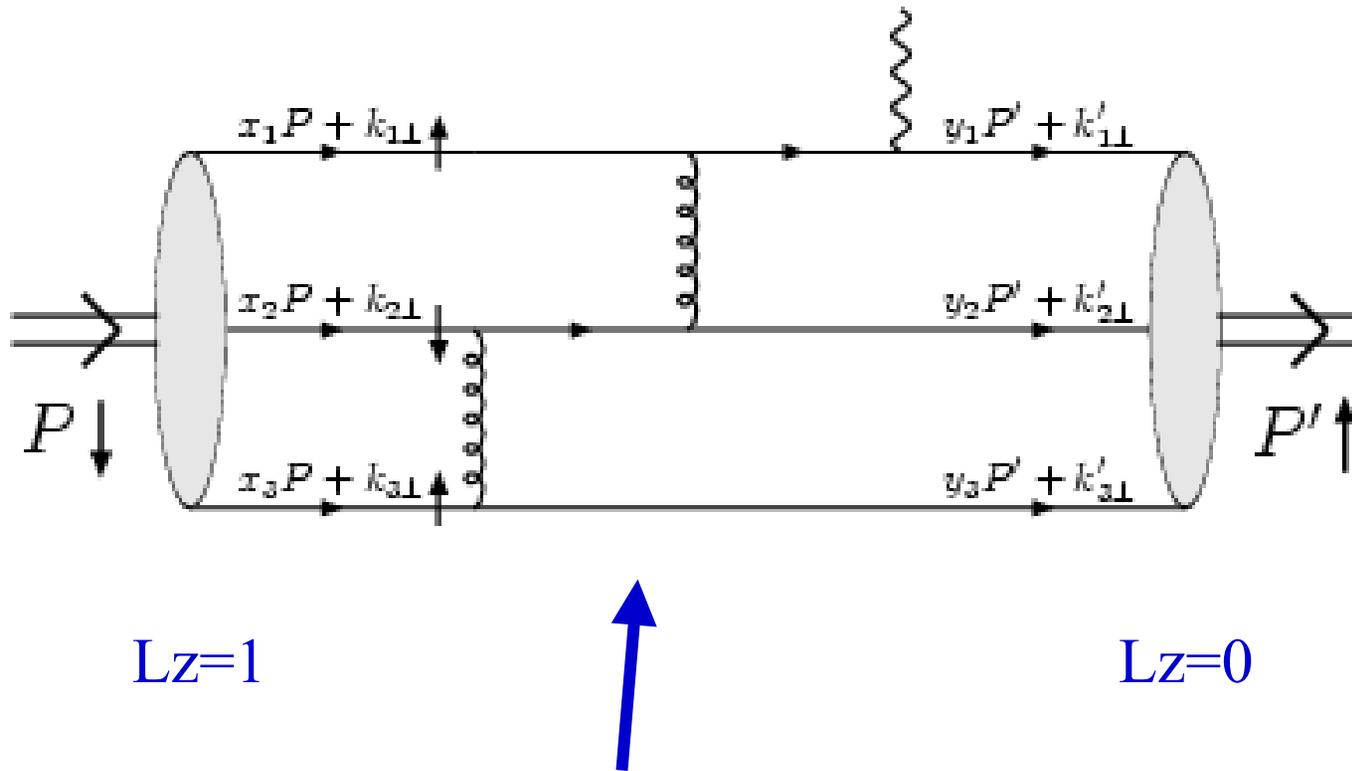
$$\frac{F_2(Q^2)}{F_1(Q^2)} = \frac{\mu_A}{1 + (Q^2/c) \ln^b(1 + Q^2/a)} \quad (b = \boxed{0.6})$$

Physics of Logs:

--- it has to do with the hard scattering!

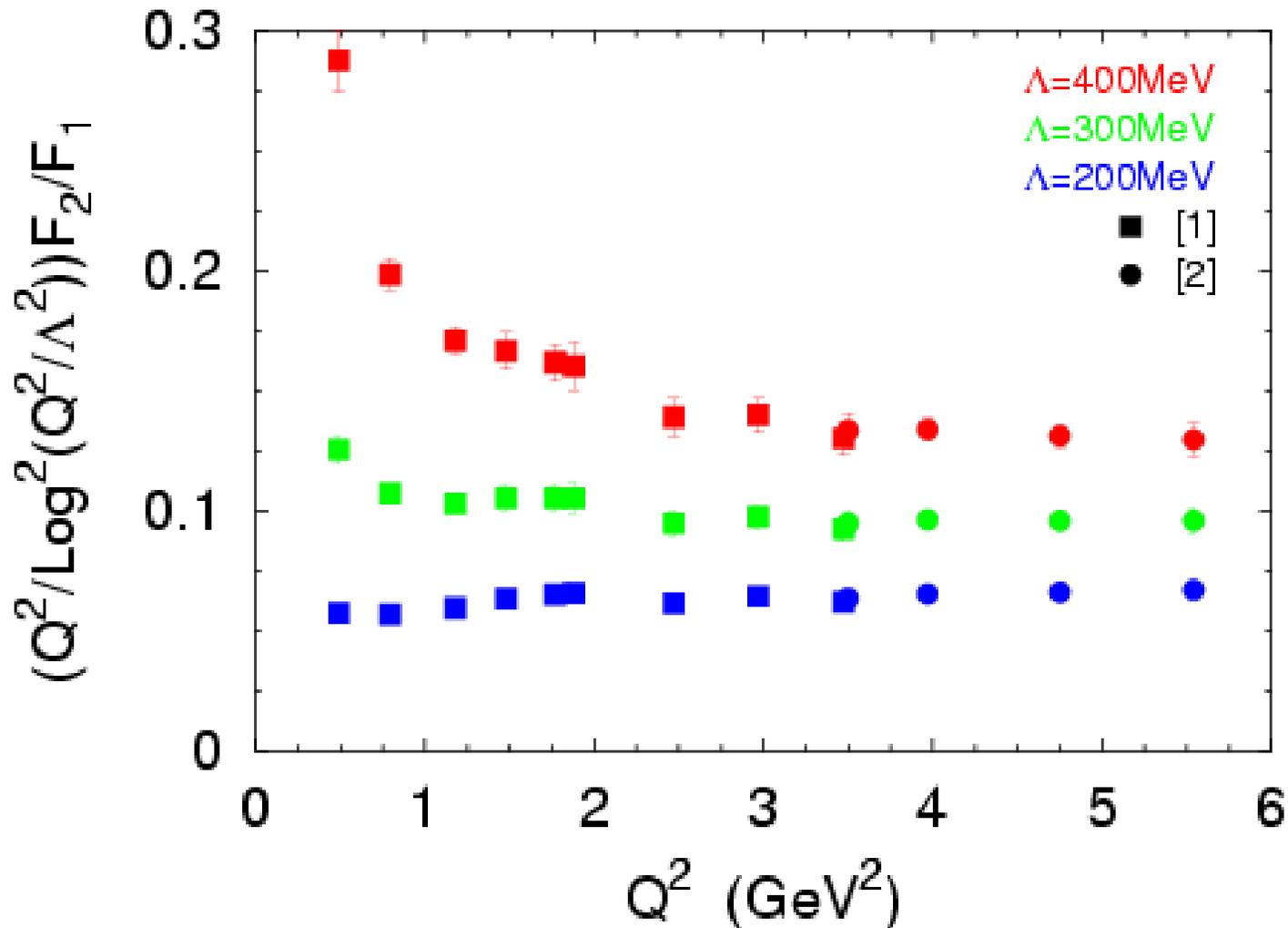
- The pQCD hard scattering must change the direction of three valence quarks.
- For F_2 , it also must create one unit of OAM!
- The small x quarks contribute little to the linear momentum, but can contribute to the OAM just as easily as the large x quarks!
 - Therefore, one needs to count the number of small x quarks, $\int dx/x$
- However, for $x < \Lambda/Q$, the quark is *de-localized* and its contribution is strongly suppressed because of the color. (Sudakov suppression)

$$\int dx/x \sim \log Q$$

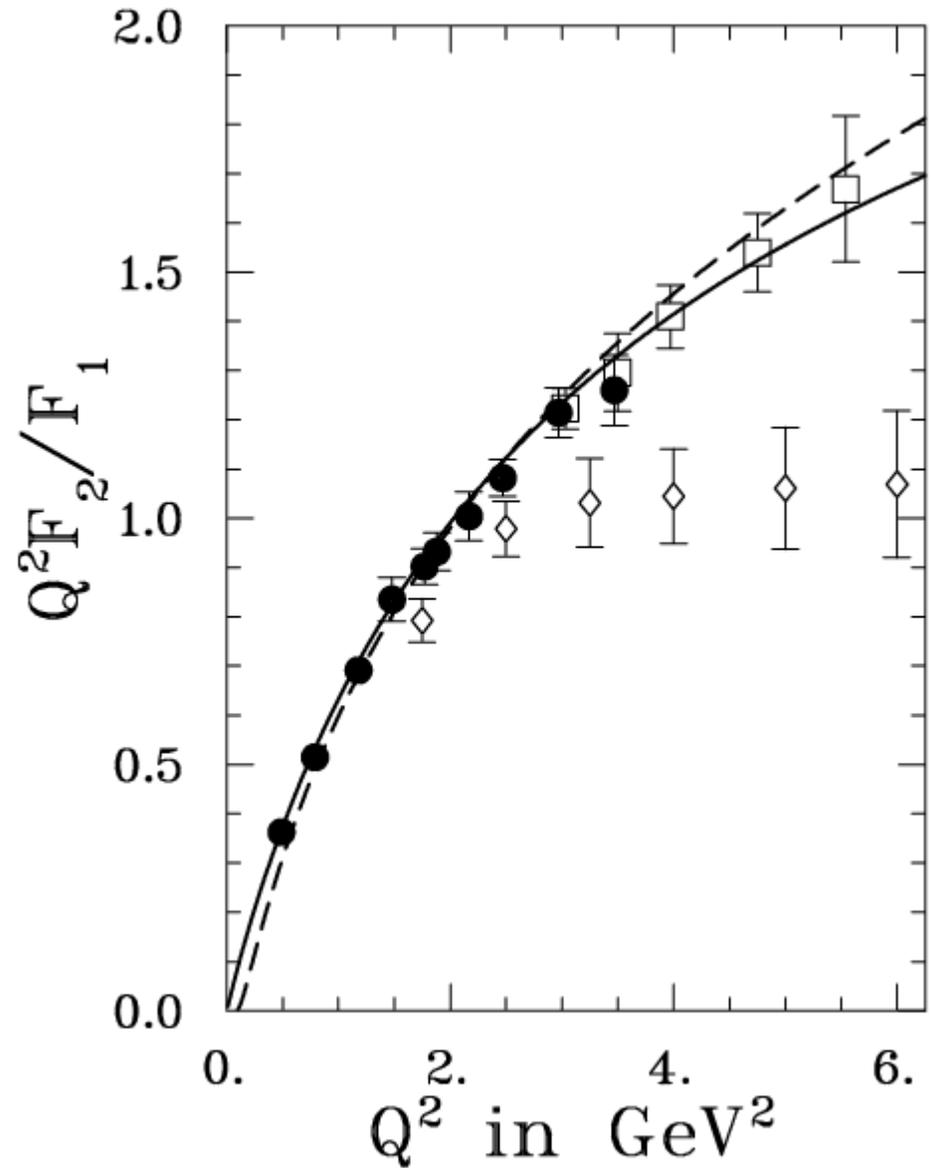


The hard part must create one unit of OAM. This can happen as easily for small- x quarks as for large- x ones.

Scaling: the combination becomes independent of Q^2
in the large Q^2 limit



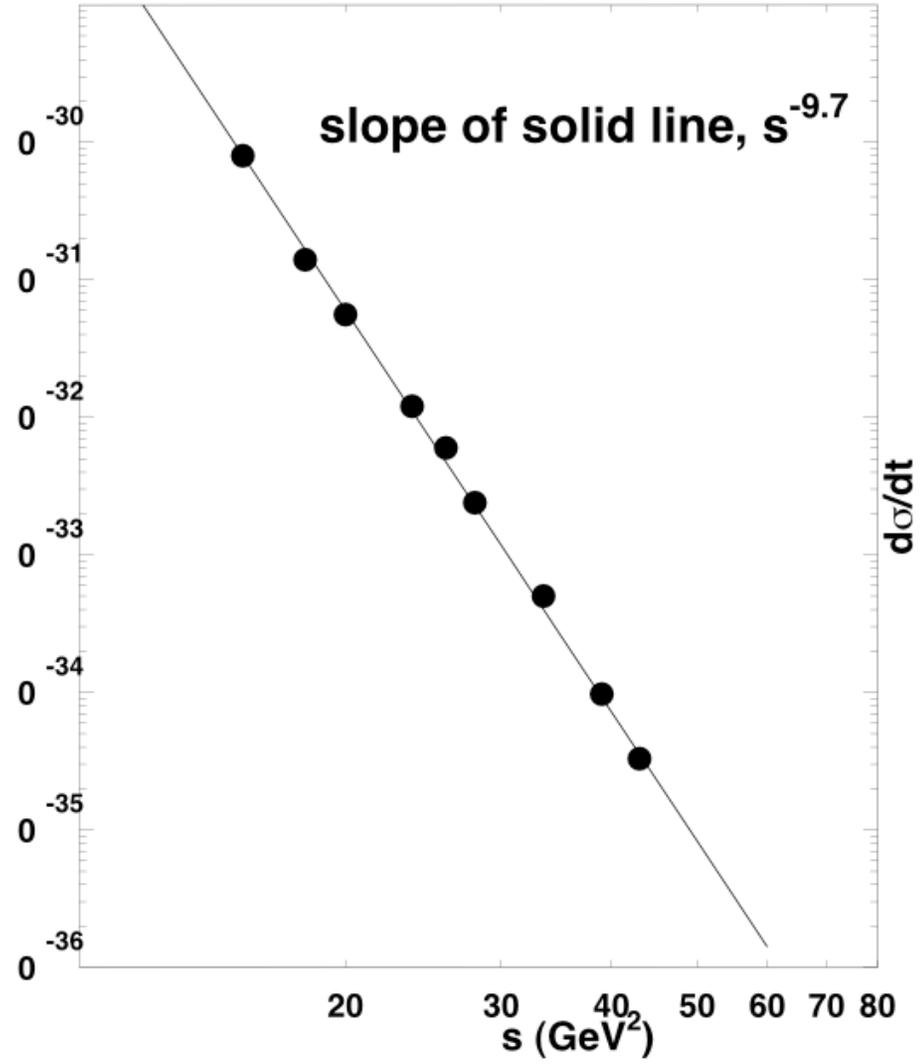
Taking into account the quark orbital motion, the Maryland group predict a solid curve which matches the Jlab data very well.

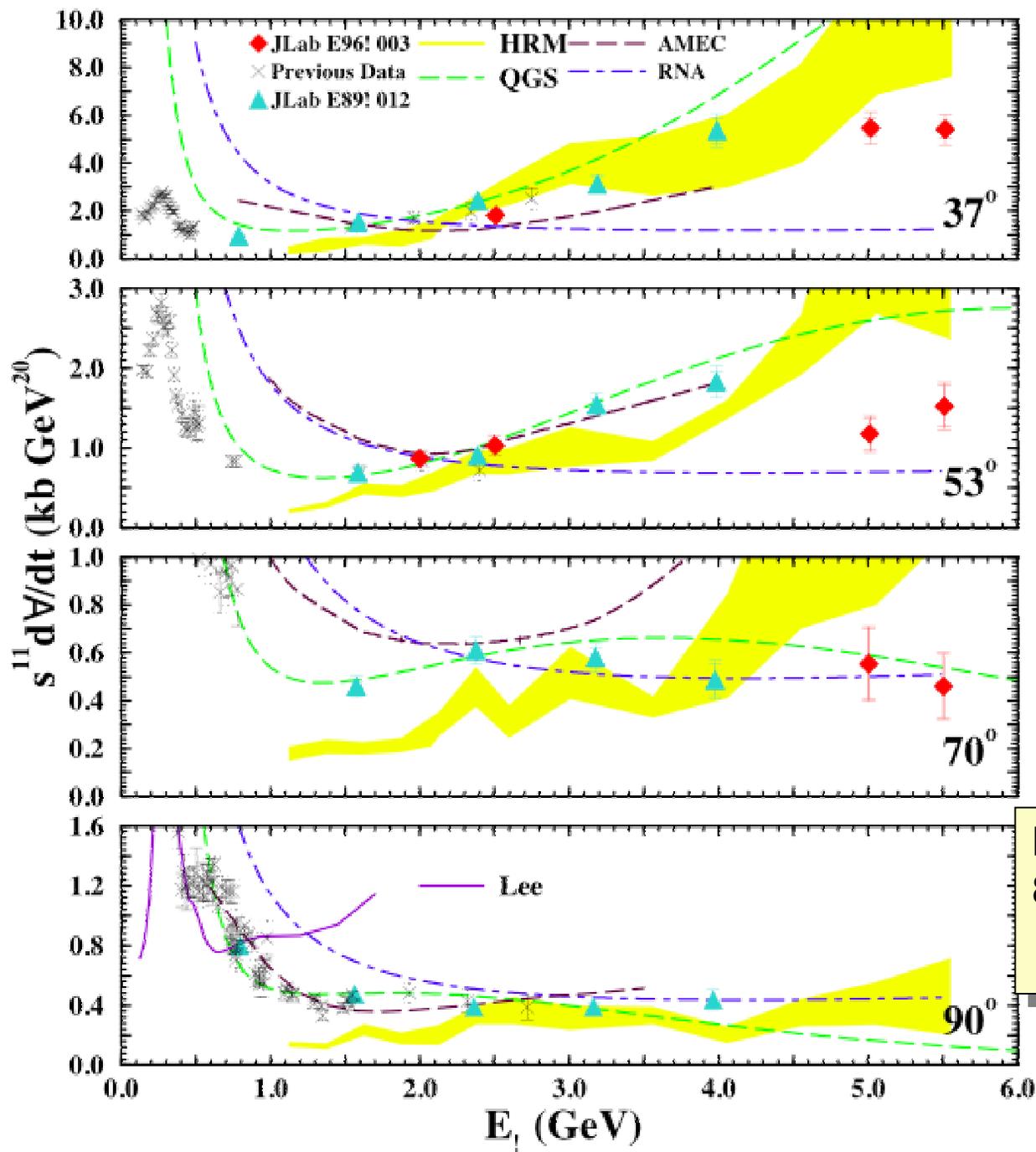


Implications?

- *Precocious* scaling!
 - pQCD works better than it has the right to.
 - New data at higher Q^2 ?
 - Seen in many other examples
 - Inclusive DIS (duality)
 - $p+p \rightarrow p+p$
 - $\Upsilon_{\text{D}} \rightarrow n+p$
 - Can only be understood if we know how to calculate corrections reliably (loop corrections, higher-twist).

p-p scattering at 90° CM angle





E. Schulte et al. PRL
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Conclusion

- In QCD, helicity-changing hard exclusive processes can only happen through quark OAM and gluons. A generalized scaling law can be derived, assuming factorization.
- $F_2(Q)$ is related to quark OAM, and at small Q , to the spatial current distribution in the nucleon.
- At large Q , F_2 is related to both nucleon structure and the hard reaction mechanism.
- JLab data at $Q^2 > 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ is consistent with asymptotic pQCD prediction, in which the small- x quarks carry a substantial amount of OAM.