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The causality  
and/or energy-momentum  
conservation constraints on  
QCD amplitudes in small  
 $x$  regime.

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① The problem:

can traditional eikonal (Glauber) approximation be justified in QCD.

We show that the answer is "no".  
The eikonal (planar) contribution to scattering amplitudes is not increasing with energy.

As a result, the energetic parton can undergo at most one inelastic collision.

In other words, even in the formalism where the entire energy ( $\gamma = \ln s$ ) dependence is in the ladders (Gribov formalism) the number of constituents in the wave function increases with energy.

In particular: Mandelstam's arguments about AFS cancellation can be easily generalised to QCD, and one cannot iterate ladders.

These results follow in two ways:

- a) from causality (dispersion relation)
- b) energy-momentum conservation

closely related questions were considered by Bartels, Ryskin (1995); Bartels, Lipatov (2005), but using different approach.

## Contents of the talk

1. What is an eikonal, when is it used and the problem with it in QFT
2. Review of Mandelstam idea ( $\phi^3$ )
3. Generalisation to QCD
4. higher cuts, AGK
5. Energy-momentum conservation constraints
6. conclusion & comments

# 1) Introduction

What is eikonal-?

comes from Quantum mechanics  
take Klein-Gordon/Dirac  
equations.

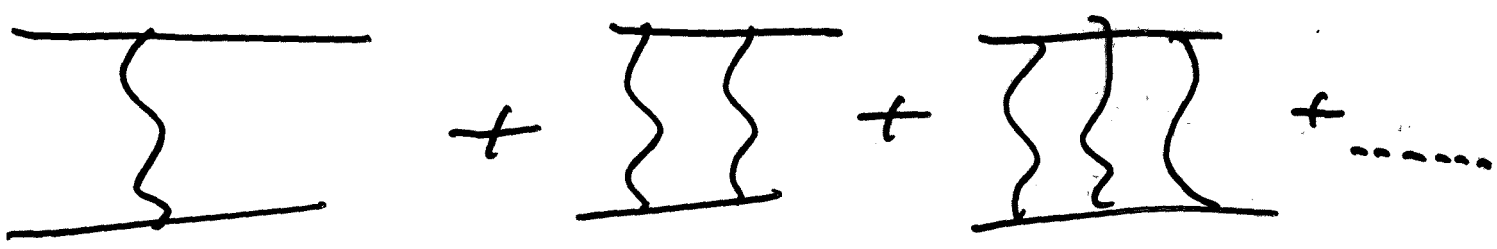
$$(\square_A - m^2)\phi = 0 \quad (i\partial_t - eA - m)\psi = 0$$

Then it can be shown say

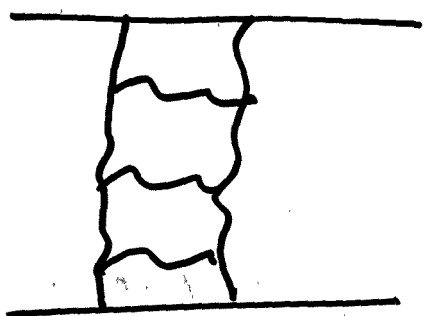
$$\psi \sim u_0 e^{i p x + i \chi_0 + \frac{1}{E} \chi_1 + \dots} \text{ for high energies}$$

$$\chi_0 \sim e \int A_\mu dx^\mu - \text{eikonal phase}$$

The solution corresponds to iterating one-photon exchange:



In field theory (QCD) however  
 one needs to ~~iterate~~ iterate ladders.  
 indeed, the ladder contribution  
 say in DIS grows much faster  
 than one-gluon exchange



up to  $x \sim 10^{-4}$  (for  $Q^2 \sim 10 \text{ GeV}^2$ )  
 - ladder approximation is quite  
 good.

$$\text{BFKL (LO + NLO)} \approx \text{DGLAP (LO + NLO)}$$

Lipatov - Fadin

Giafaloni - Curci

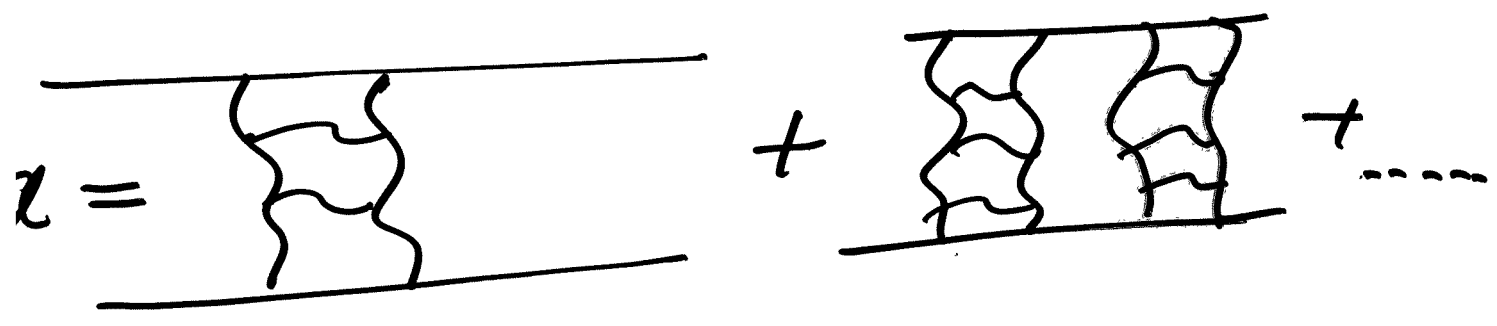
this equivalence - "resummation models"

(Salam et al  
 Altarelli et al)

however at  $x \sim 10^{-4}$  LT breaks down ( $f_0 \sim 1$ )

- we approach the black disk (Froissart) limit

Natural way - to use Glauber approach, similar to Cheng-Wu (1969,  $\phi^3$ ) - but iterate ladders



Then:

$$\sigma_T = 2 \int d^2 b (1 - e^{-a(s, \vec{b})}) \quad \text{total}$$

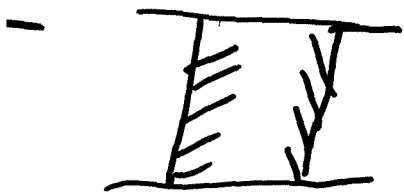
$$\sigma_{El} = \int d^2 b (1 - e^{-a(s, \vec{b})})^2 \quad \text{elastic}$$



However: in QFT in difference  $\neq$   
to QM there is particle creation



intuitive problem with eikonal-



The eikonal diagrams mean  
that particles are created in  
big numbers, and then reabsorbed  
in a similar configuration,  
that looks very improbable.

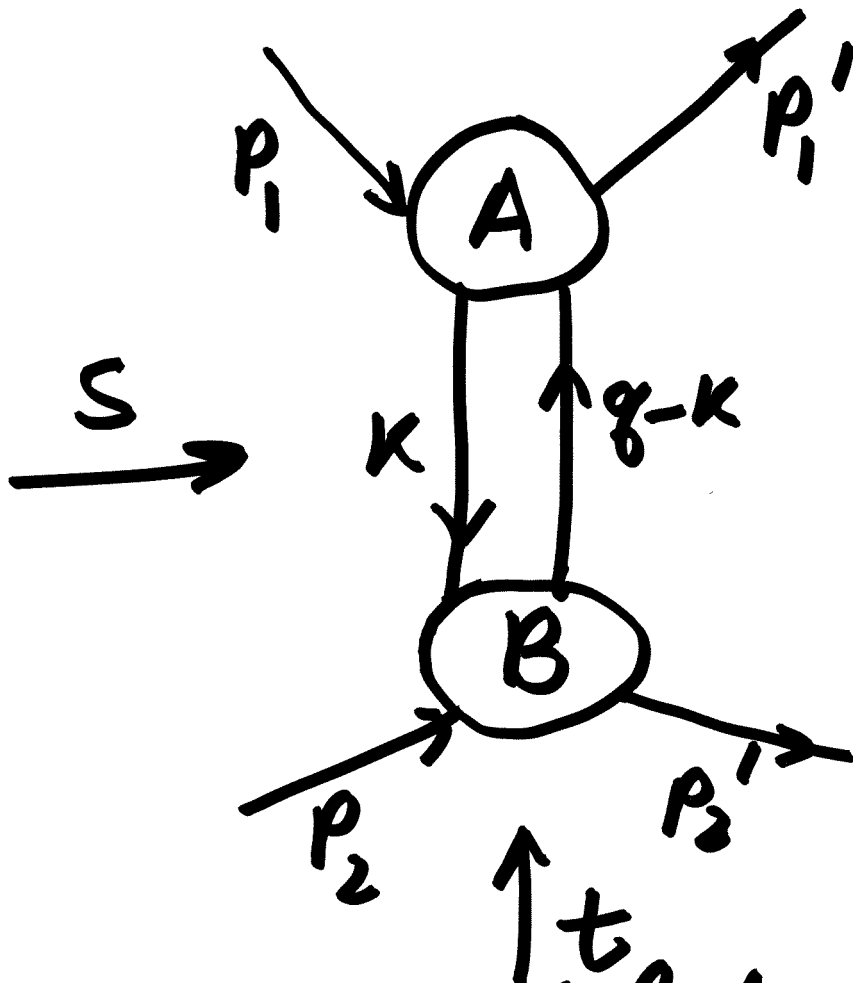
more rigorously-

a) causality (Mandelstam)

b) Energy-momentum conservation  
arguments

Show that indeed these diagrams  
are zero.

# ④ Casuality arguments (Mandelstam-Gribov)



Consider the blob A as a function of invariant mass  $S = (p_1 + k)^2$

$$k = \alpha p_2 + \beta p_1 + \gamma t \quad (\text{Sudakov})$$

$$t = q^2 \sim q_t^2, \quad S_1 = (p_1 + k)^2 \sim \alpha S$$

$$S_2 = (p_2 - k)^2 \sim -\beta S$$

Then consider 2 particles exchanged in  $t$ -channel

In multi-Regge kinematics

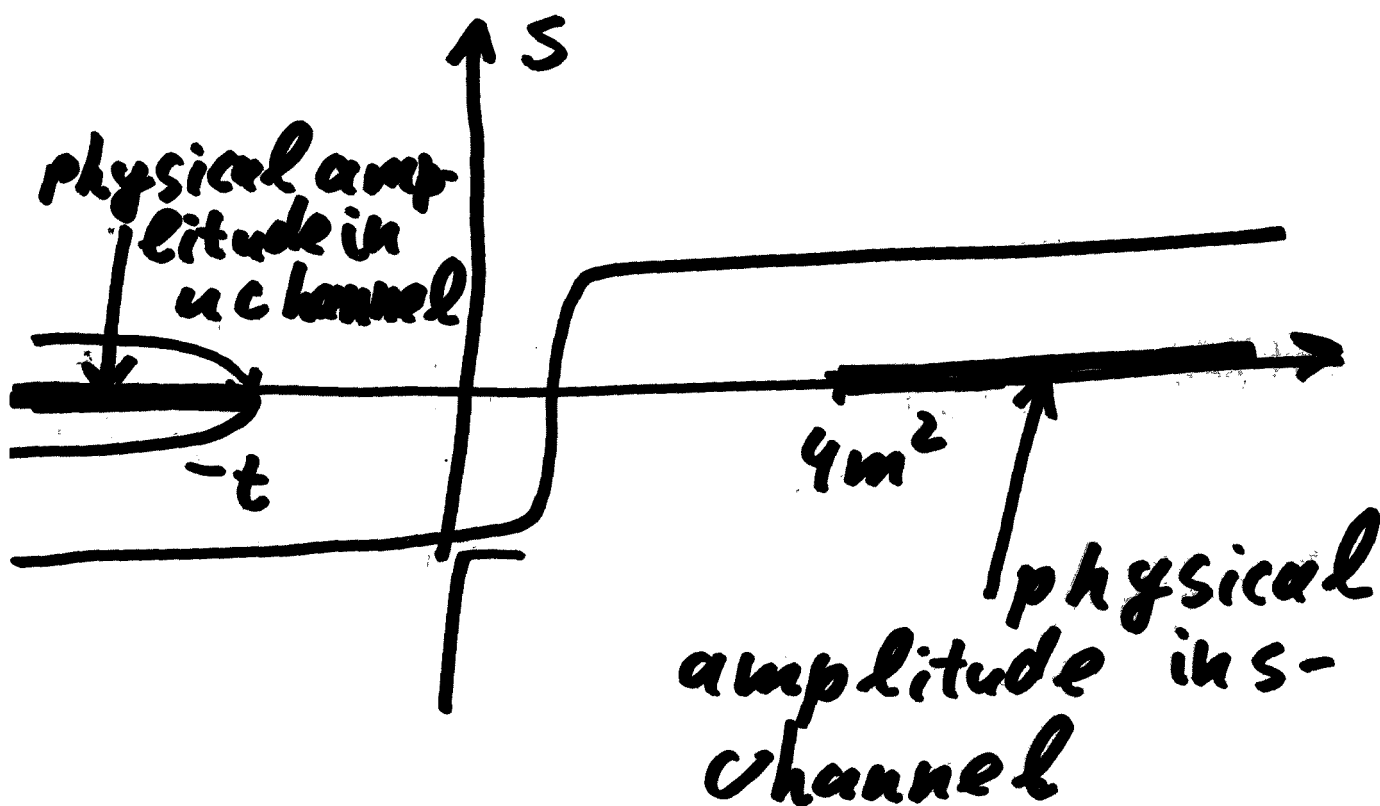
$$\frac{1}{(k^2 - m^2) ((k-p)^2 - m^2)} \sim \frac{1}{2\beta S + k_t^2 - m^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2\beta S + (p-k)_t^2 + m^2} \sim \frac{1}{k_t^2 + m^2} \frac{1}{(p-k)_t^2 + m^2}$$

So the full amplitude is:

$$M = \frac{i}{4S} \int \frac{d^2 k_t}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{1}{(m^2 + k_t^2) (m^2 + (k-p)_t^2)}$$

$$\int \frac{ds_1}{2\pi i} A(s_1) \int \frac{ds_2}{2\pi i} A(s_2)$$

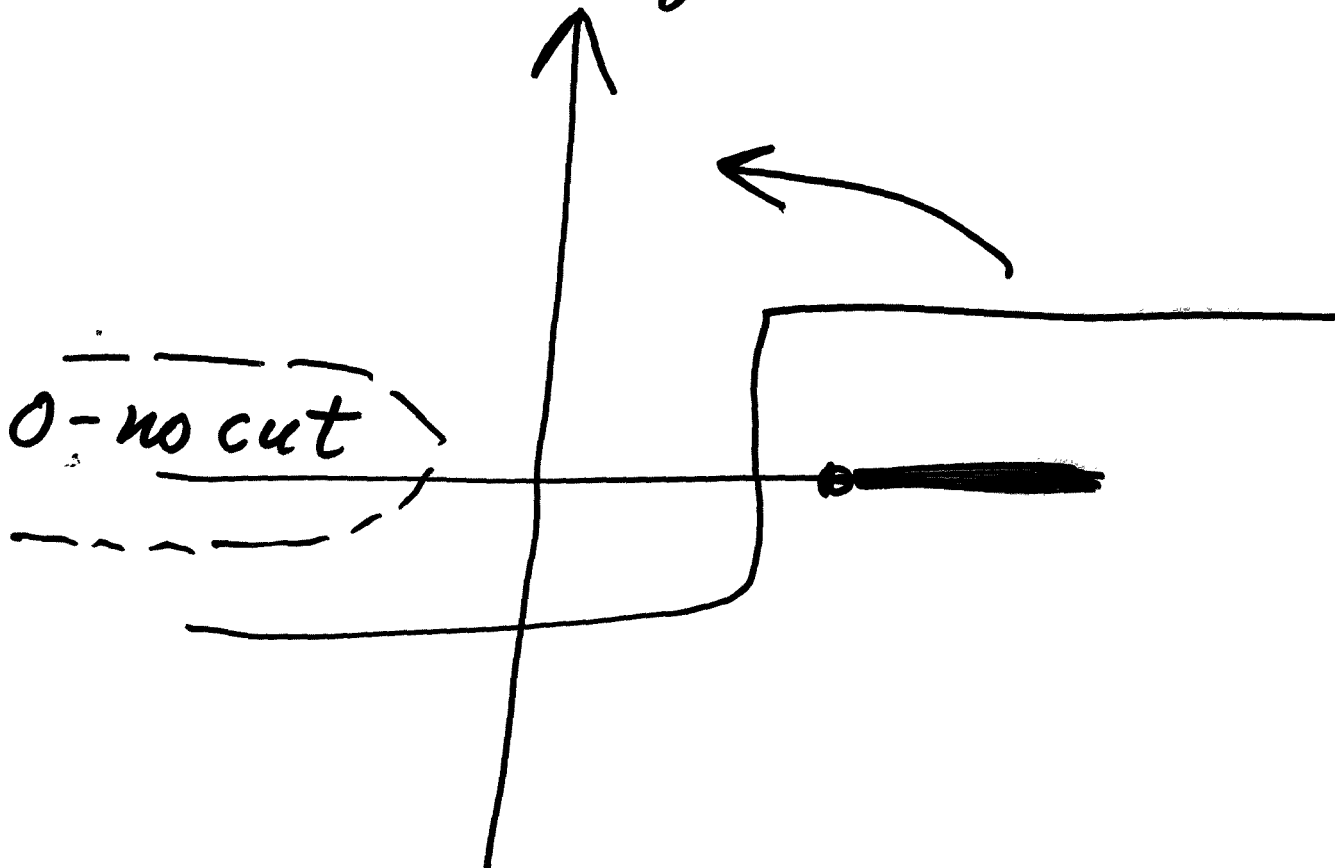


$$A(s, t) = \int_{\Gamma_1} \frac{\rho_{st}(s', t)}{s - s'} + \int_{\Gamma_2} \frac{\rho_{su}(s', t)}{s' - s}$$

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But suppose that: 1)  $\rho_{su} = 0$   
 (no left cut, i.e. planar diagram  
 for Impact-factor  $A$ )

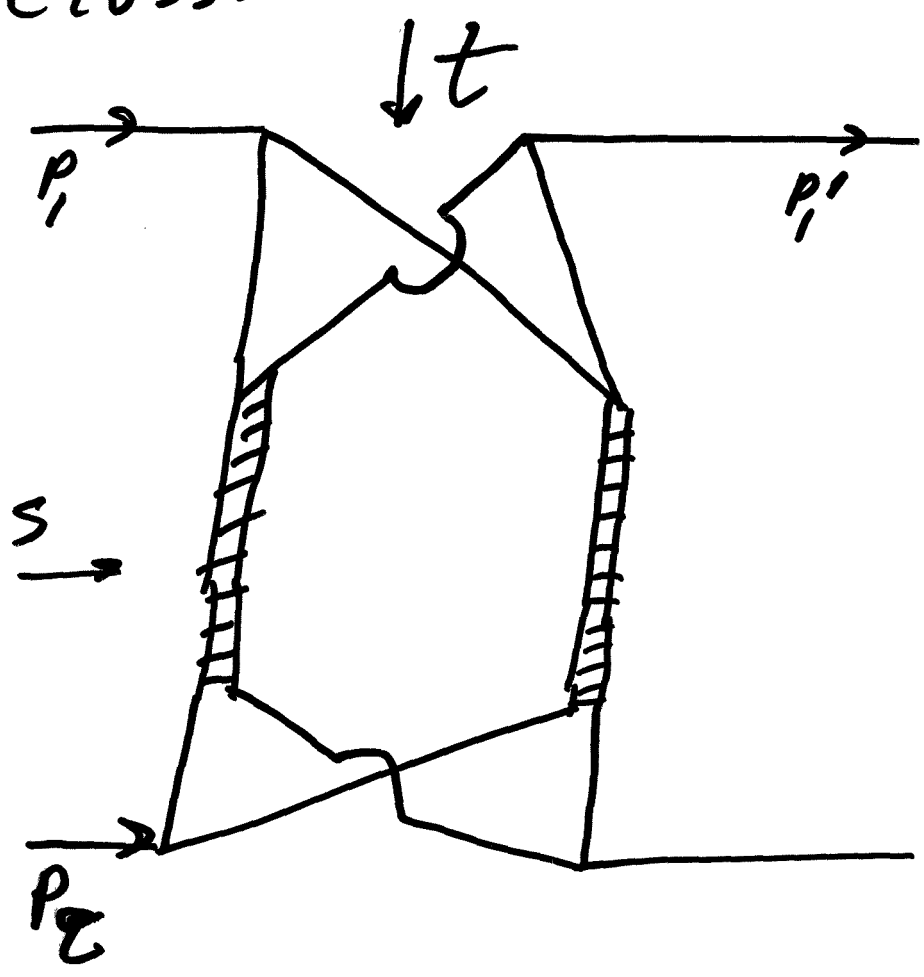
2)  $A$  decreases with  $s$ , more rapid  
 than  $s_1$ . Then we deform the  
 contour and get zero:



In reality - not true - point B) for 2-particle exchange.

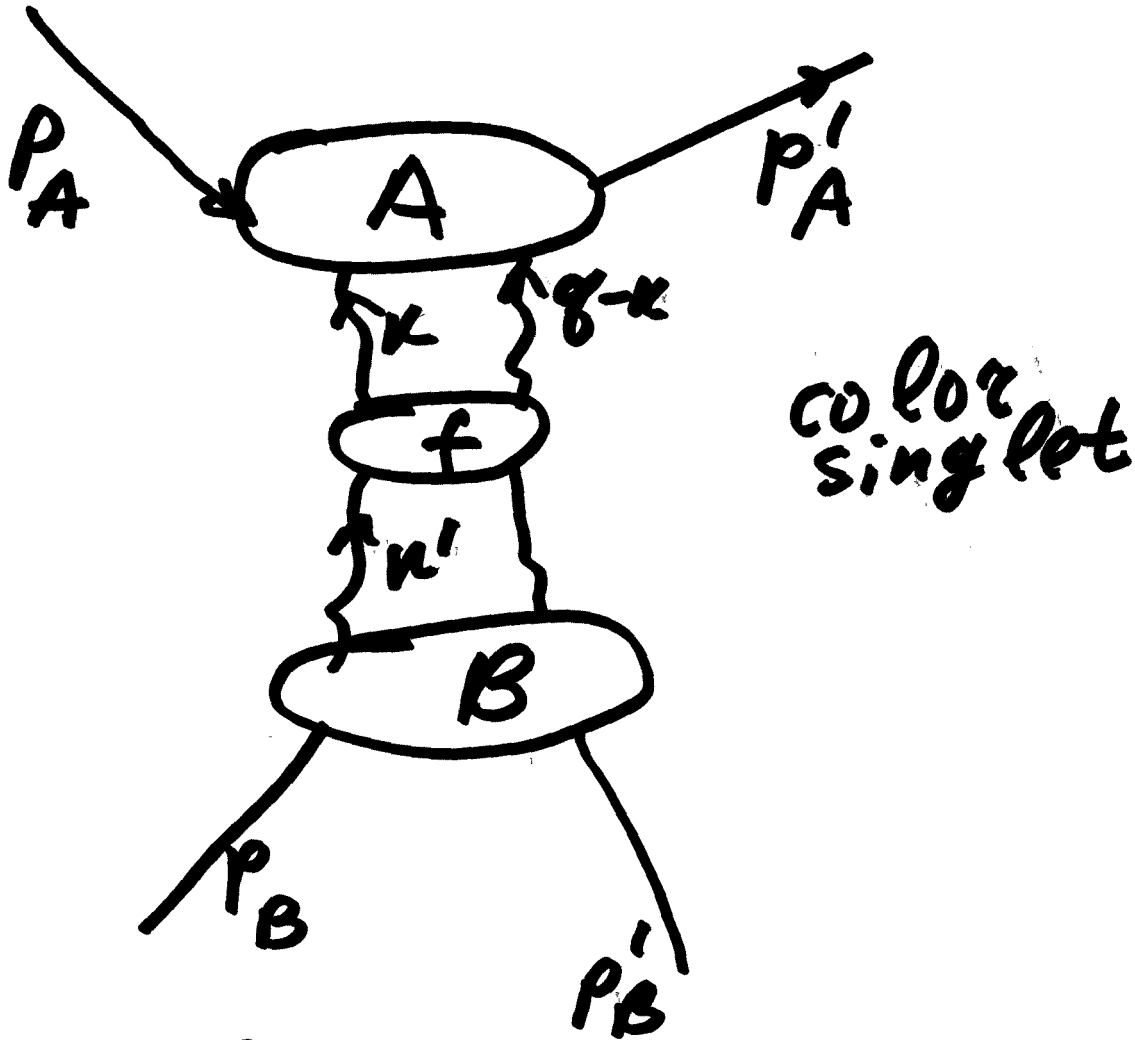
But for the 2-reggeon (2-ladder exchange) there appears additional form factor that leads to additional power of  $\frac{1}{s}$ , - and the two-ladder diagram becomes zero (Mandelstam, 1961)

The nonzero diagram - Mandelstam cross: - nonplanar



# 5) Casuality and QCD

in QCD for high energies one has a similar PPR factorisation as in  $\phi^3$  (although more complicated)



$$A(s,t) = \int d^2 k \int d^2 k' \phi_1(p_A, k, q-k) f(s, k, q-k; k', q-k') \phi_2(p_B, k', q-k')$$

i.e.  $f$  depends on transverse momenta

$P_{1,2}$  - impact factors

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$$P_1 = \int \frac{dM^2}{s^2} P_B^{\mu} P_B^{\nu} f^{\mu\nu} = \int \frac{dM^2}{M^4} f_{\mu\nu} k_{\pm}^{\mu} (\delta - \alpha)_{\pm}^{\nu}$$

$M^2$  - mass squared of a diffractionally produced state  
and we use here Ward identities  
( $\Leftrightarrow$  color singlets)

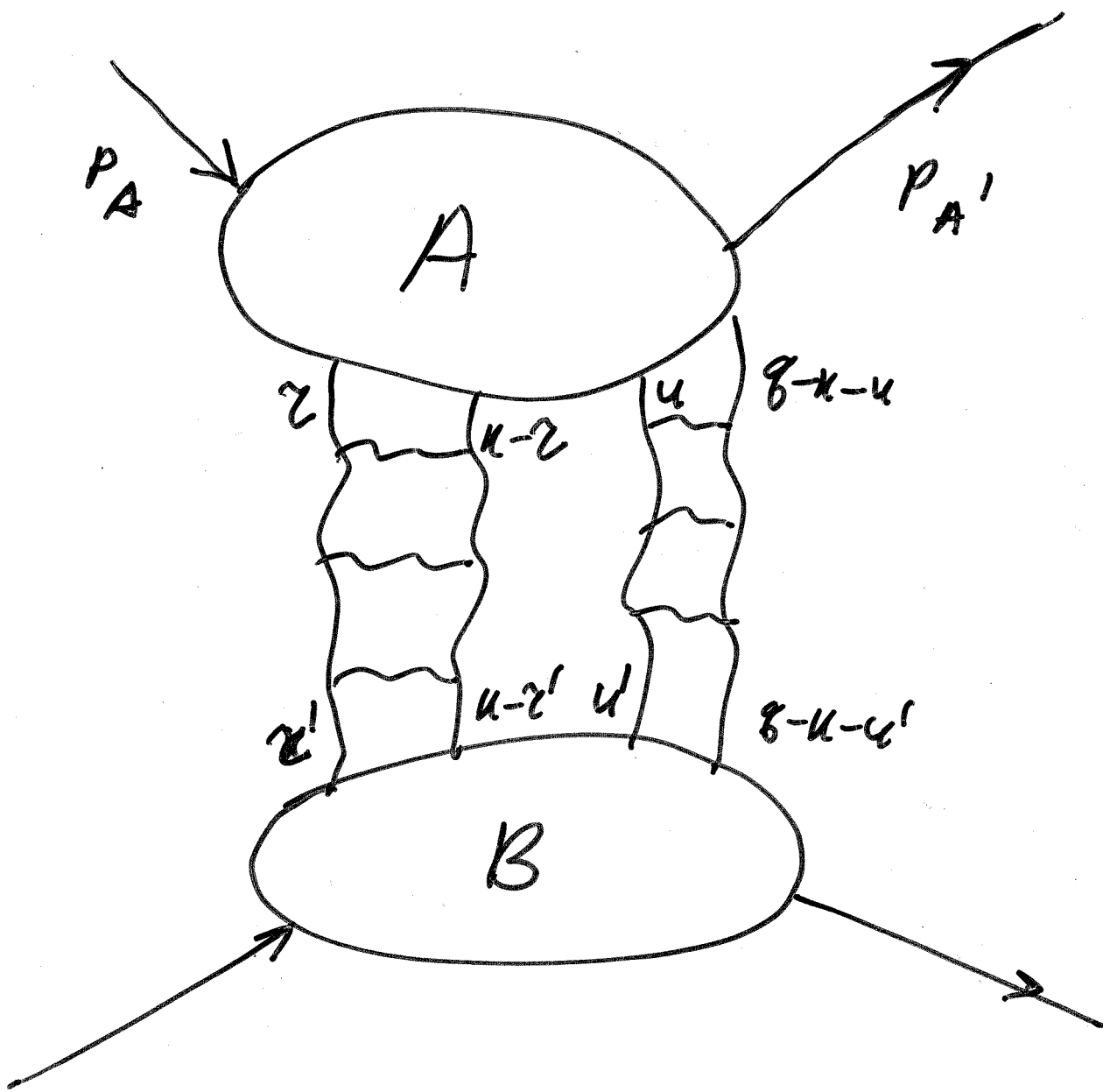
The momentum factorization in the vertex - similar to  $\phi^3$  - is in the BFKL regime (Lipatov), for DGLAP - no such factorization

Consider 2 ladders exchanged in  $t$ -channel. The amplitude is

$$A = \int d^2 z_{\pm} \int d^2 u_{\pm} \int d^2 u'_{\pm} \int d^2 z'_{\pm} \int d\alpha \int d\beta \Phi_1(p_A, z, u, u', s_1) \Phi_2(p_B, z', u', s_2) f_1(z, z', k_{\pm}, s_1) f_2(\delta - \alpha, u, u', s_2).$$

$f_1, f_2$  - exchanged reggeons;  $s_1, s_2$  - their squared energies,  $s_{12} \sim (p_A + z)^2 \sim \alpha s$   
 $s_3 \sim (p_A + u)^2 \sim \alpha u s_2$ ,  $s_4 \sim (p_B + u')^2 \sim \alpha s$   
 $s_5 \sim (p_B - u')^2 \sim -\beta s$

- the relevant invariant masses  
 $(\alpha, \beta, \dots$  - Sudakov variables)



$$A = \int d^2 \alpha_t d^2 u_t d^2 \kappa_t \int ds_a \Phi_1(p_A, \alpha, \kappa, \beta, s_a) \\
\int d^2 \alpha'_t d^2 u'_t d^2 \kappa'_t \int ds_b \Phi_2(p_{A'}, \alpha', \kappa', \beta', s_b) \\
f_1(\alpha, \alpha', \kappa, s_1) f_2(\beta, \beta', \kappa, s_2)$$

The latter integral - has the same




factorised structure as the one in  $\gamma$   
so it is zero, if

a) one of impact factors is eikonal  
(planar  $\equiv \delta_{s_a} = 0$ )

b) dependence on  $s_a \equiv M_a$   
is the decrease more rapid  
than  $\frac{1}{M^2}$

1) in RFT this dependence is  $\frac{1}{(M^2)^{2/3+1}}$   
(Frankfurt, Strikman 1989)

2) in QCD one needs to find

 decrease of  $A(M^2, Q^2)$   
when  $M^2 \geq Q^2$ .

Then: in DGLAP for  $M^2 \geq Q^2$

$$A \sim \frac{1}{(Q^2 + M^2)^{3/4}} \quad (\text{Frankfurt, Strikman})$$

BFKL must be continuously connected

to DGLAP  $\Rightarrow$  also rapid decrease

$\frac{1}{M^2}$  already have from eikonal intermedi-

ate state

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) arguments inside BFKL (Ciafaloni)

$$A \sim \frac{1}{M^2} S\left(\frac{M^2}{Q_1^2}\right)$$

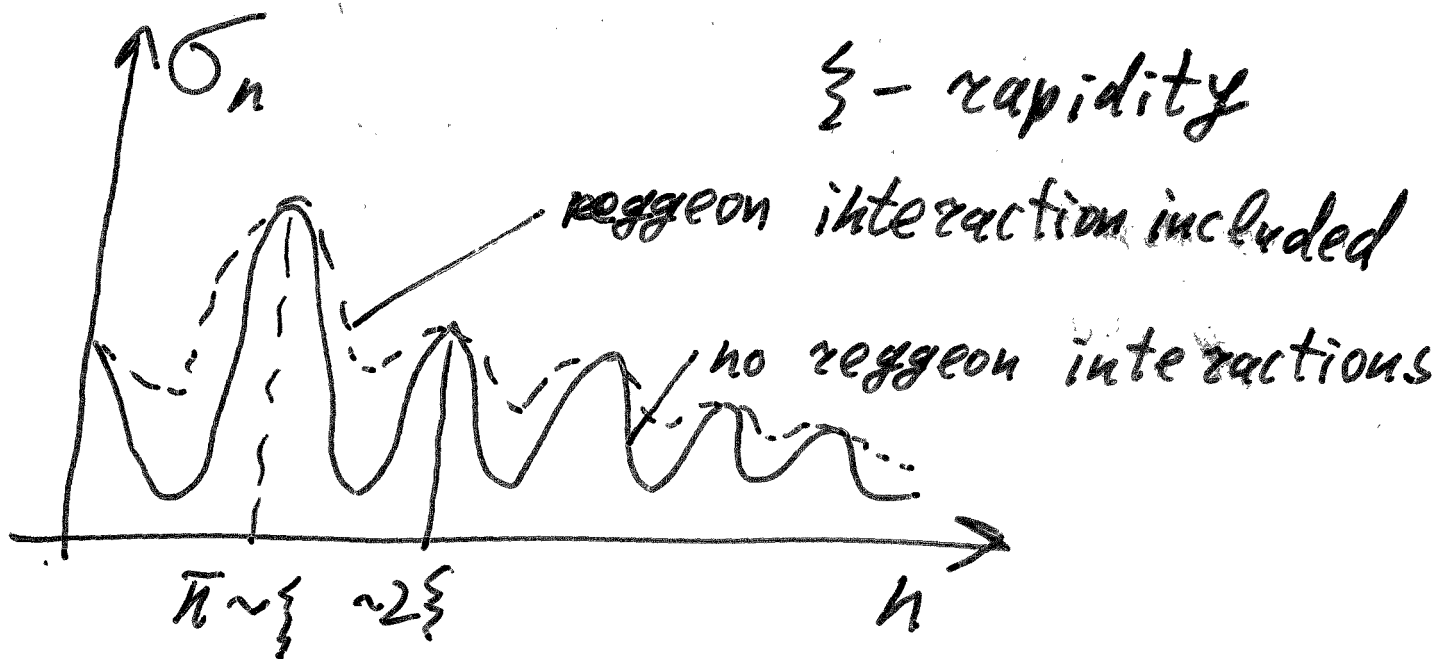
S- sudakov formfactor

Note: our approach can not be applied

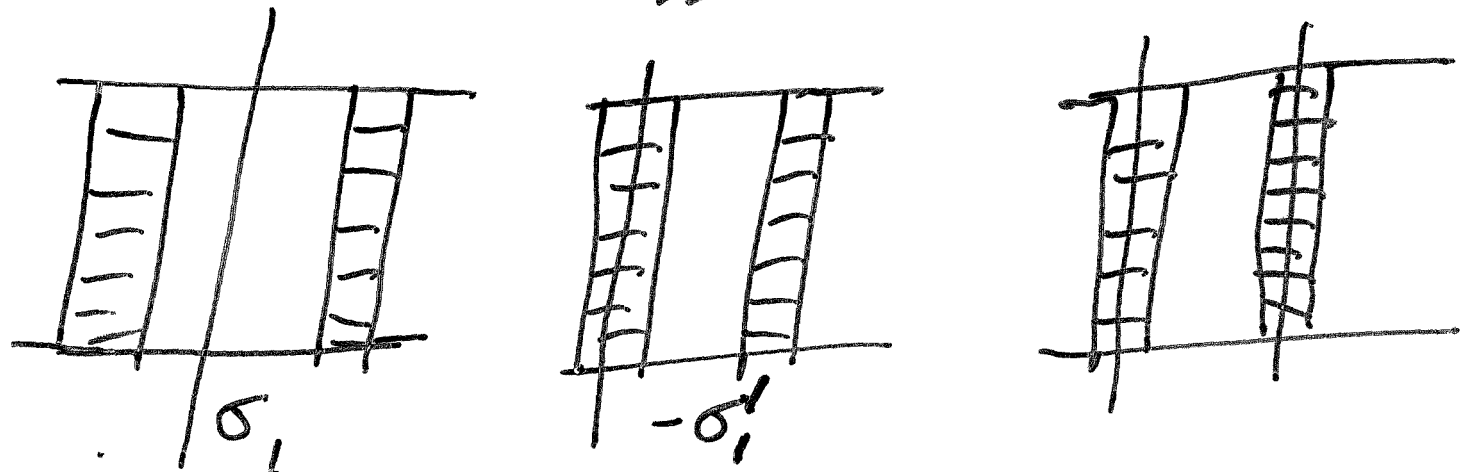
to octet exchanges, since the correspondent formfactors do not decrease.

Indeed, Bartels & Lipatov (2005) argued that such ladders (Reggeized gluons) can be iterated

⑥ cut ladders, fluctuations & AGK



consider cross-sections of productions of  $n$  particles  $\sigma_n$ .



Then 2-ladder exchange corresponds to process 1, screening correction  $-\sigma'_n$

↳  $2\bar{n}$  particle production

↳  $4\sigma_1 = -\sigma'_n = 2\sigma_{2\bar{n}} - \text{AGK rules}$

(AGK - Abramowski, Gribov, Kancheli 1977)

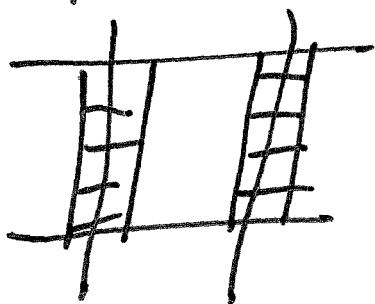
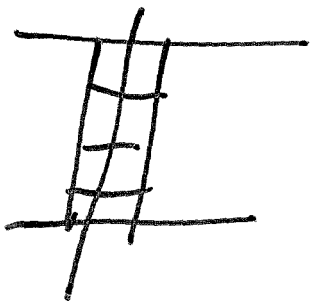
These rules are valid for QCD  
(Bartels, Ryskin, 1995)

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The formalism - at least for color singlet ladders)

in this way multiparticle distributions are calculated

⑦ Energy-momentum constraints



in eikonal approach  
we have production  
of  $k_n$  particles

with the same energy  
distributions, but  
total energy the same

( $\sqrt{s}$ , instead of  $k\sqrt{s}$ )

- no way to fulfill energy conservation law

thus cut color singlet diagrams must  
'e zero (another way - energy sum  
rule is violated for  $\alpha(0) > 1$ ,

where we assume Mueller's vertex  
for inclusive distribution (Mueller, 1970)

note: in  $\phi^3$  theory the energy-momentum  
nonconservation was noticed by  
Cheng & Wu; Capella & Kaidalov suggested  
to include it by hand, but there is  
no justification for this in perturbation  
theory (Iengo, 1976)

note: also cut eikonal diagrams are zero.

## 9) conclusions

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1. the cancellation of planar (in particular eikonal) diagrams found within the RFT by Mandelstam is valid in QCD.
2. The use of energy-momentum considerations supports this results, & shows that DGLAP ladders also cannot be iterated
3. To obtain nonzero result by  $n$  ladders the incident parton must develop a configuration with at least  $n$  partons before the collision. In other words any participant can participate in the ladder exchange at most once.
4. eikonal can be used at moderate  $x$  and large transverse momenta where scattering amplitudes are predominantly real.