

Fluctuations of the gluon distribution at small x : correlation of multiplicity and transverse momentum fluctuations

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arXiv:1704.05917

Observables at small x

average over stochastic small-x color fields:

$$\langle O[A^+] \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int \mathcal{D}A^+ W[A^+] O[A^+]$$

$W[A^+] :$ JIMWLK weight functional

In the MV model:

$$W[A^+] = e^{-S[A^+]},$$

$$S[A^+] = \int dx^- d^2x_\perp \frac{\text{tr } \nabla_\perp^2 A^+(x^-, x_\perp) \nabla_\perp^2 A^+(x^-, x_\perp)}{2\mu^2(x^-)}$$

Examples:

- $O[A^+] = g^2 \text{tr } A^+(x_\perp) A^+(y_\perp)$

(cov. gauge) gluon distribution

- $O[A^+] = g^2 \text{tr } A^i(x_\perp) A^i(y_\perp)$

(L.C. gauge) WW gluon distribution

- $O[A^+] = \frac{1}{N_c} \text{tr } V(x_\perp) V^\dagger(y_\perp)$

dipole forw. scatt. amplitude

$$V(x_\perp) = \mathcal{P} e^{-ig \int dx^- A^+(x^-, x_\perp)}$$

Idea: integrate out fluctuations which do not affect observable $O[A^+]$
 → obtain effective action / potential for that observable

(we work directly with MV / JIMWLK action w/o introducing “dipole picture”)

$$e^{-V_{\text{eff}}[X(q)]} = \int \mathcal{D}A^+(q) W[A^+(q)] \delta(X(q) - O[A^+(q)])$$

$$\frac{\delta V_{\text{eff}}[X(k)]}{\delta X(q)} = 0 \rightarrow X_s(q) \equiv \langle X(q) \rangle \quad (\text{at large } N_c; \text{ or else do proper Legendre transform})$$

for $O[A^+] = g^2 \text{tr} |A^+(q)|^2$ in MV model :

$$V_{\text{eff}}[X(q)] = \int \frac{d^2 q}{(2\pi)^2} \left[\frac{q^4}{g^4 \mu^2} X(q) - \frac{1}{2} A_{\perp} N_c^2 \log X(q) \right]$$

$$X_s(q) = \frac{1}{2} N_c^2 A_{\perp} \frac{g^4 \mu^2}{q^4} \quad \checkmark \quad (\text{cov. gauge gluon distribution at } q > Q_s)$$

same result for non-local Gaussian model by Iancu, Itakura & McLerran (approx. to JIMWLK), provided

at $q > Q_s$: $\mu^2 \rightarrow \mu_0^2 \left(\frac{q^2}{Q_s^2} \right)^{1-\gamma}$ $\gamma = 0.63$, BFKL anom. dim. in presence of absorptive (saturation) boundary (Mueller & Triantafyllopoulos)

Aside: constrained effective potential introduced originally to compute potential for Polyakov loop in YM at $T>0$:

$$\exp(-V\mathcal{V}(\ell)) = \int \mathcal{D}A_\mu \delta(\ell - \frac{1}{N} \text{tr} \bar{\mathbf{L}}) \exp(-\frac{1}{g^2} S(A))$$

for Higgs:

L. O’Raifeartaigh, A. Wipf and H. Yoneyama: Nucl. Phys. B 271 (1986) 653

for Polyakov loop:

C. Korthals Altes: Nucl. Phys. B 420 (1994) 637

to two loops and general eigenvalues:

A. Dumitru, Y. Guo and C. P. Korthals Altes: Phys. Rev. D 89, 016009 (2014)

Fluctuations:

instead of $X(q) = X_s(q) + \delta X(q)$,

$$\Delta V_{\text{eff}}[\delta X(q)] = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d^2 l}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2 k}{(2\pi)^2} \delta X(l) \left\{ \frac{\delta}{\delta X(l)} \frac{\delta}{\delta X(k)} V_{\text{eff}}[\delta X(q)] \right\} \delta X(k)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d^2 q}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{\delta X(q)^2}{X_s(q)^2} \frac{1}{2} N_c^2 A_{\perp}$$

$$Z_{1 \text{ loop}} = \int \mathcal{D} \delta X(q) e^{-V_{\text{eff}}[\delta X(q)]} = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \log \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{N_c^2 A_{\perp}}{X_s(q)^2} \right)}$$

let's go with $X(q) = X_s(q) \eta(q)$ (canonical dim. of η is zero)

$$\Delta V_{\text{eff}}[\eta(q)] \equiv V_{\text{eff}}[\eta(q)] - V_{\text{eff}}[\eta(q) = 1]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} N_c^2 A_{\perp} \int \frac{d^2 q}{(2\pi)^2} [\eta(q) - 1 - \log \eta(q)]$$

- field redefinition $\varphi = \log \eta$ yields Liouville action/potential (in q space!) with $R < 0$

Fluctuations: correlation of gluon number and transv. momentum

$$\Delta N_g[\eta(q)] = \int \frac{d^2 q}{(2\pi)^2} q^2 X_s(q) [\eta(q) - 1]$$

$$\Delta \bar{q}^2[\eta(q)] = \frac{\Delta N_g[\eta(q)]}{\int \frac{d^2 q}{(2\pi)^2} X_s(q) \eta(q)}$$

Ansatz: $\eta(q > Q_s) = 1 + \eta_0 \left(\frac{Q_s^2}{q^2} \right)^a \Theta(Q^2 - q^2)$

- $a > 0$: fluctuation “know” about scale Q_s
- $a \rightarrow 0$: scale invariant fluctuation

$$\Delta N_g \simeq N_c A_\perp \Delta \bar{q}^2$$

for small amplitude fluctuations

ΔN_g increases with $\Delta \bar{q}^2$

maximize ΔN_g (and $\Delta \bar{q}^2$), minimize “penalty” $\Delta S[\eta(q)] \equiv \Delta V_{\text{eff}}[\eta(q)]$



MV model: $0 < a < 1$
(because for $a=0$: $\Delta N_g \sim \log Q^2$, $\Delta S \sim Q^2$)

IIM model (anom. dim.) $a \approx 0$
→ Mueller picture where Q_s corresponds to an absorptive boundary

$$\eta_0 \sim \Delta S \frac{(Q^2/Q_s^2)^a}{N_c^2 A_\perp Q^2} \quad (\Delta S \sim \log p^{-1} \text{ where } p \text{ is probability of fluctuation})$$

MC simulation:

- MV: generate random configurations of $A^+(x^-, x_\perp)$ according to $S_{\text{MV}}[A^+]$
- JIMWLK: stochastic evolution (at fixed α_s) of associated Wilson line to $\alpha_s Y=1$

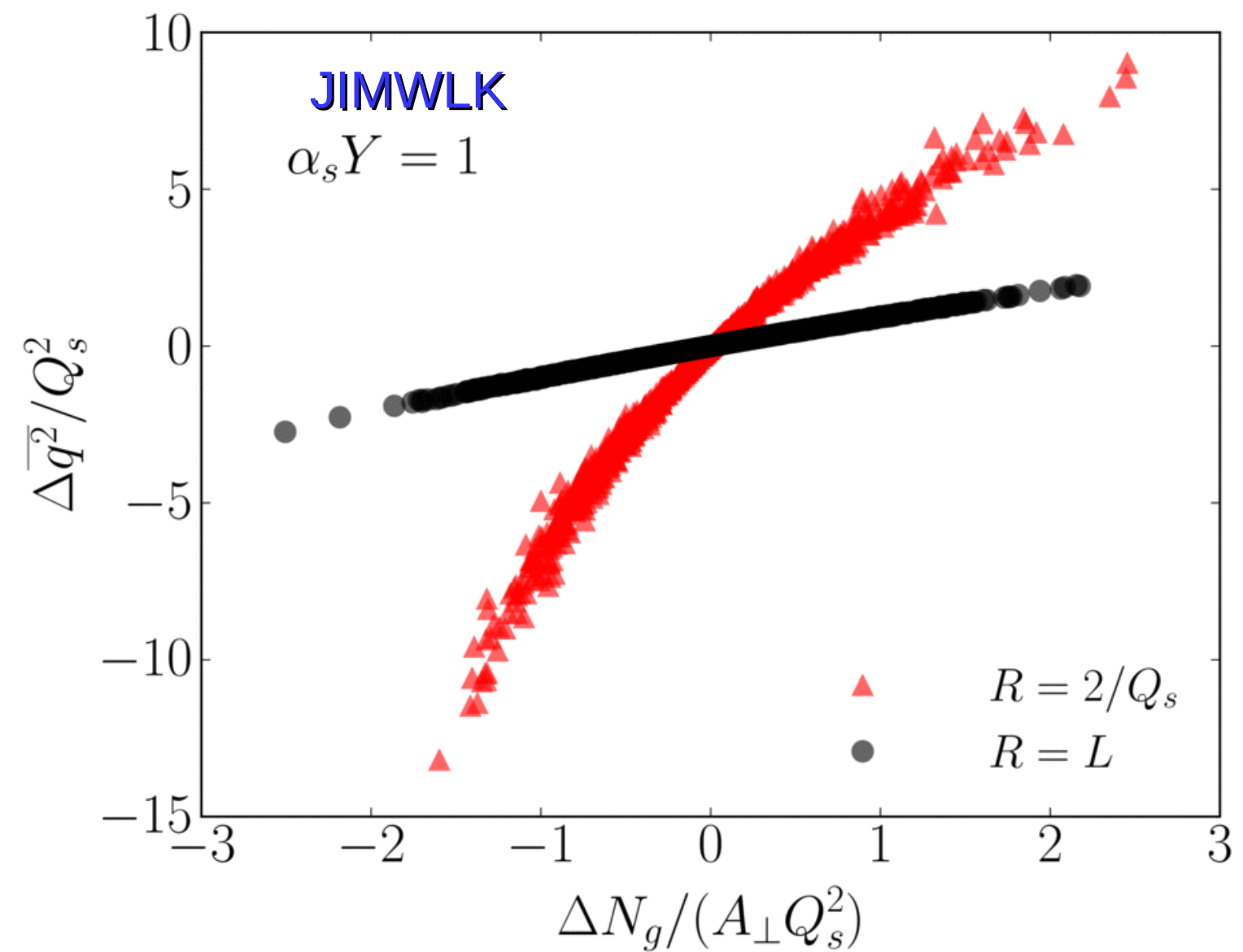
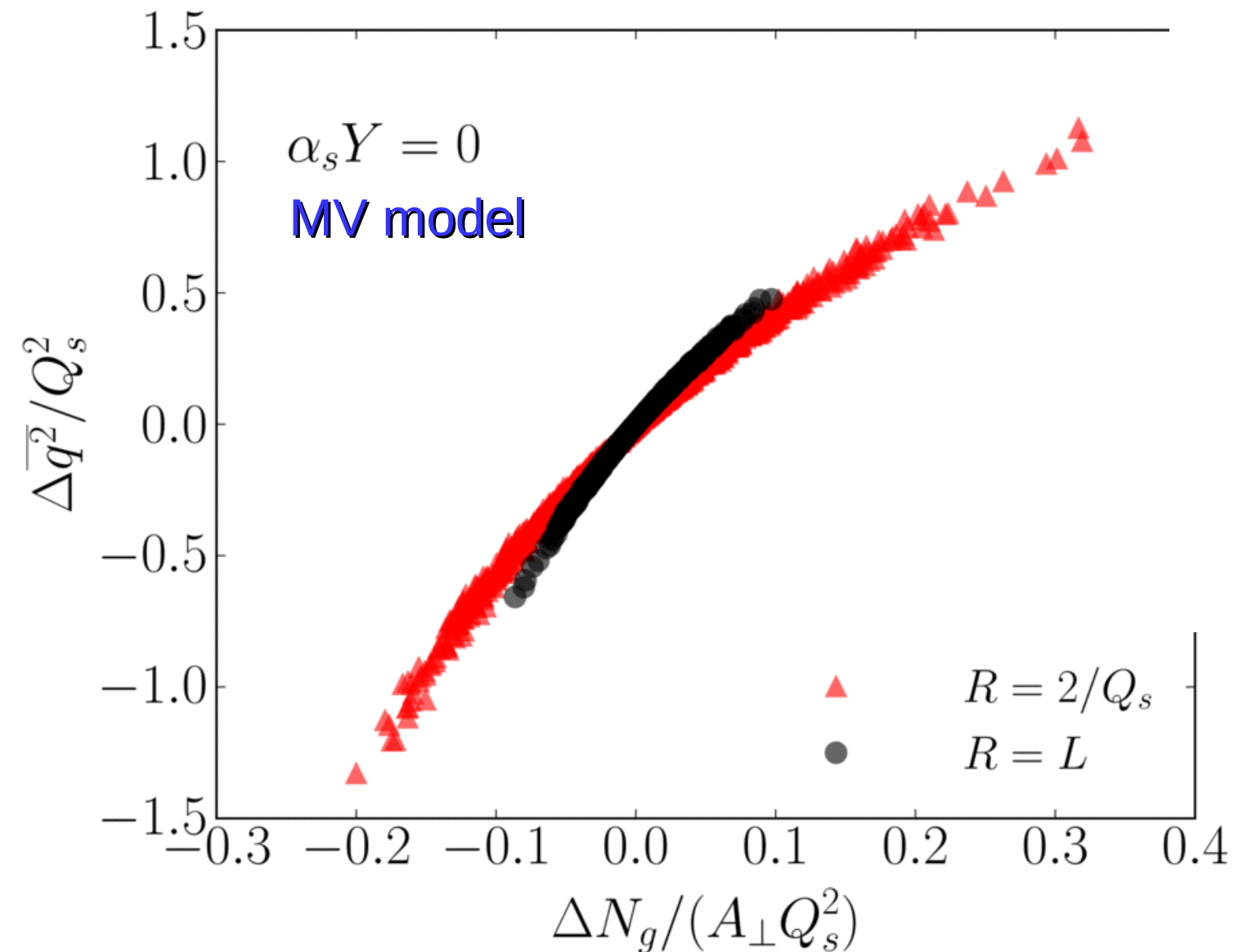
$$X(q) = \int d^2b \int d^2r e^{-iqr} \text{tr} \left[V_Y \left(b - \frac{r}{2} \right) V_Y^\dagger \left(b + \frac{r}{2} \right) - 1 \right] \quad \text{(integrated over entire 2d lattice)}$$

$$X_R(q, b) = \int d^2x \int d^2y e^{-iq(y-x)} e^{-\frac{(b-x)^2}{2R^2}} e^{-\frac{(b-y)^2}{2R^2}} \text{tr} \left[V_Y(x) V_Y^\dagger(y) - 1 \right]$$

(“local” distribution at b;
similar to “smeared” Wigner distr.)

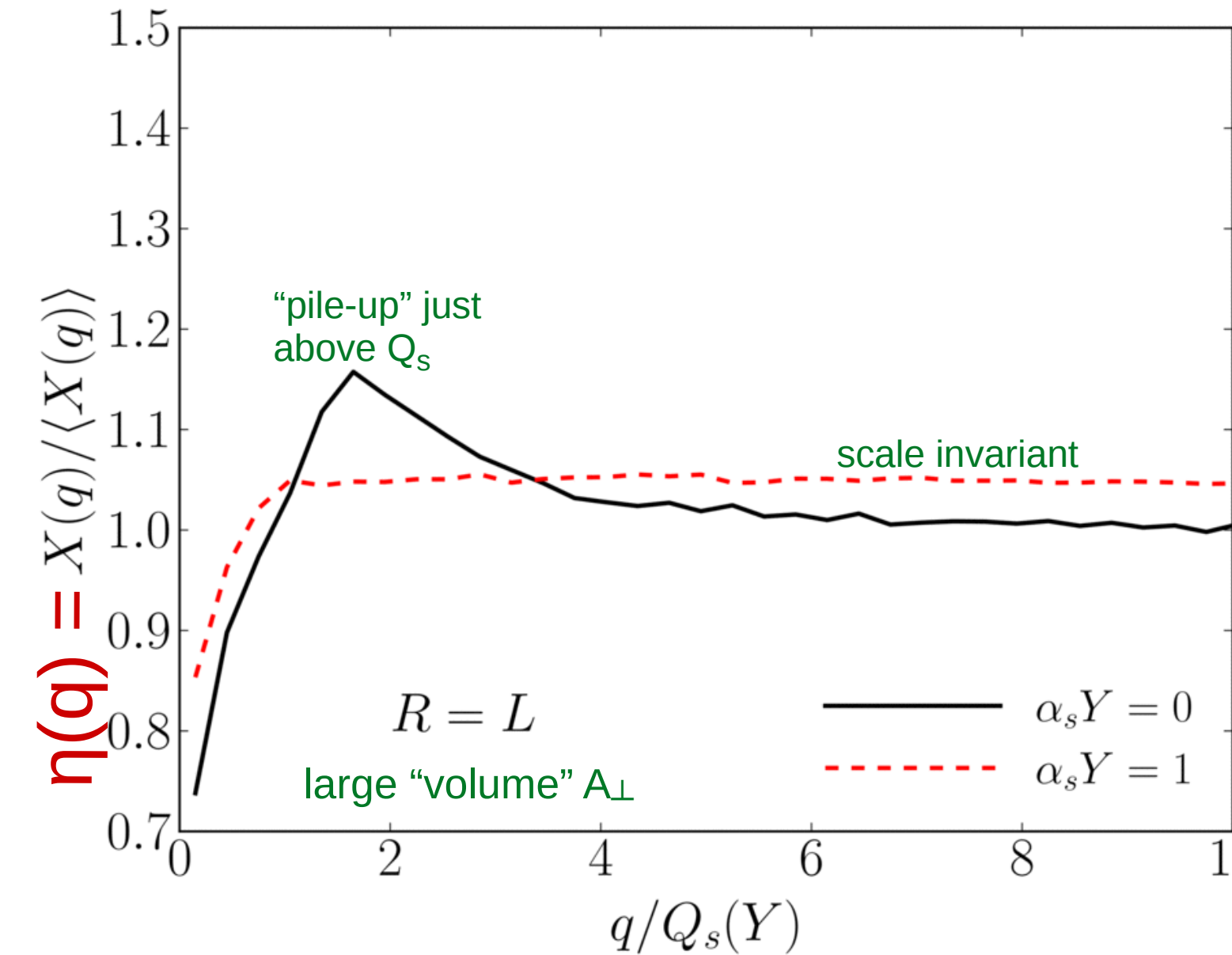
$$R = \frac{2}{Q_s}$$

Correlation of transv. momentum and multiplicity fluctuations

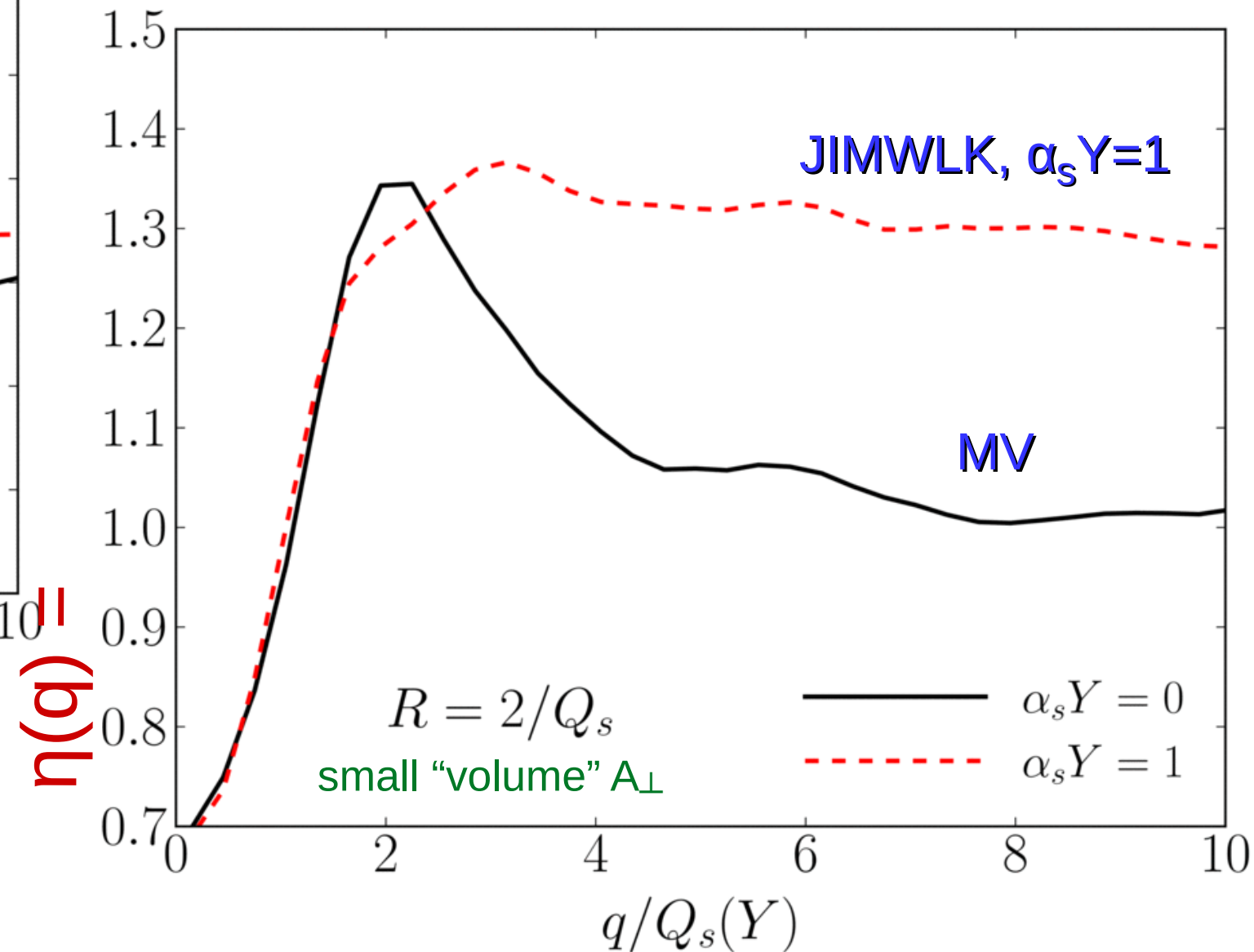


- $\Delta N_g \sim 10 - 100$ for $A = 0.1 \text{ fm}^2$, $Q_s^2 = (1-2.5 \text{ GeV})^2$
- tight correlation ($\sim$ single curve, few outliers)
- JIMWLK shows correlations in b-space
- strong increase of Δq^2 with ΔN_g in small area "patches"

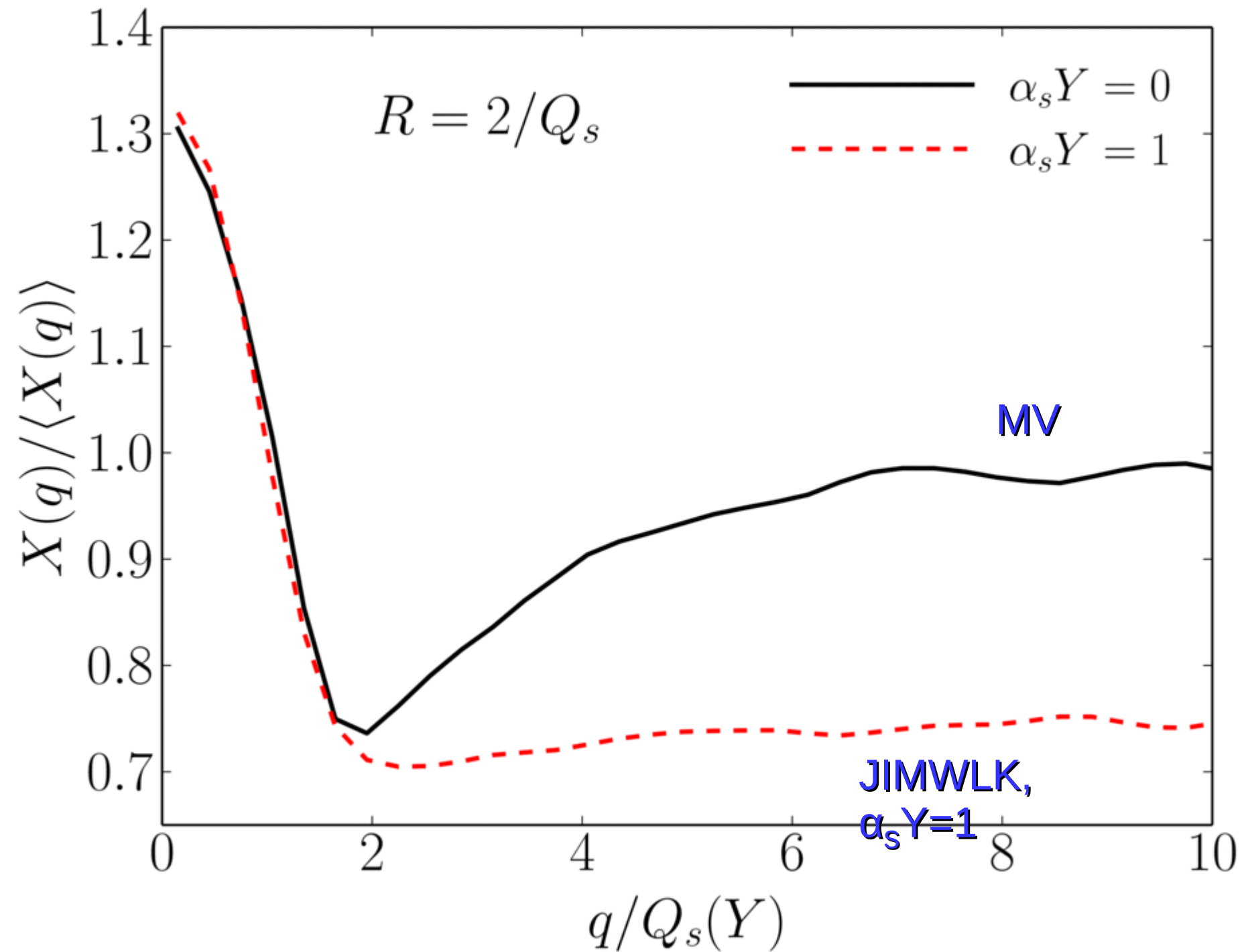
Spectral shape of high multiplicity fluctuations



- evolution modifies spectrum of fluctuations
- MV model piles up addtl gluons around Q_s
- perturbative evolution with scale invariant kernel $\rightarrow$ flat spectral shape above 'absorptive boundary' (canonical dimension of $\eta(q)$ is 0)

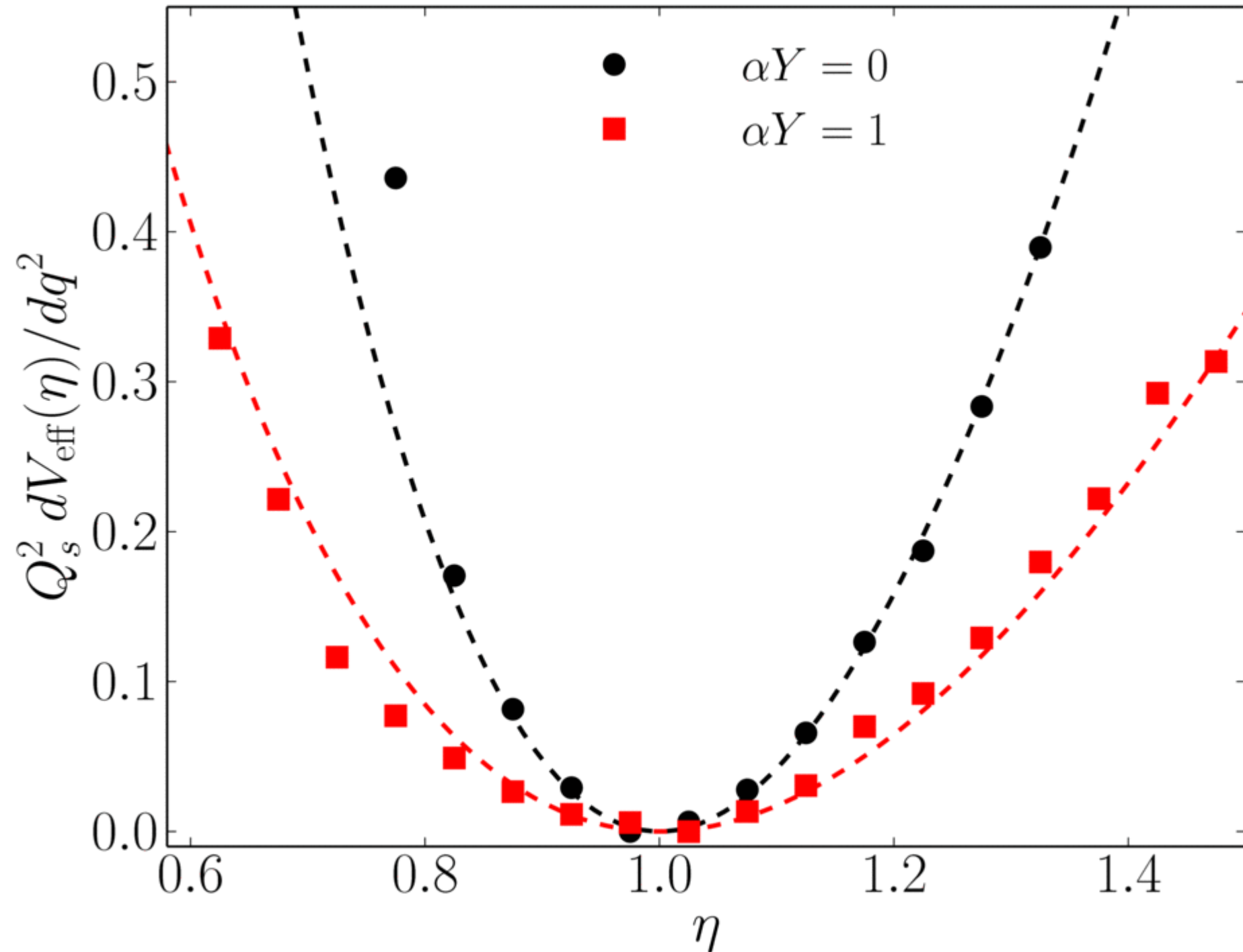


Spectral shape of **low** multiplicity fluctuations



$V_{\text{eff}}[\eta]$ extracted from MC (histogram of fluctuations etc)

- linear minus log indeed appears to work ✓
- prefactor (curvature) $\sim N_c^2 A_\perp Q_s^2$, effective area of fluct. appears to decrease with Y (i.e. $A_\perp Q_s^2$ decreases with Y)



WW (light cone gauge) gluon distribution

$$g^2 \text{tr } A^i(q) A^j(-q)$$

at order $(gA^+)^4$

$$\delta^{ij} g^2 \text{tr } A^i(q) A^j(-q) = \frac{1}{2} q^2 g^2 A^{+a}(q) A^{+a}(-q) \\ - \frac{g^4}{8} f^{abe} f^{cde} \left(\delta^{lm} - \frac{q^l q^m}{q^2} \right) \int \frac{d^2 k}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2 p}{(2\pi)^2} k^l p^m A^{+a}(q-k) A^{+b}(k) A^{+c}(-q-p) A^{+d}(p)$$

$$\left(2 \frac{q^i q^j}{q^2} - \delta^{ij} \right) g^2 \text{tr } A^i(q) A^j(-q) = \frac{1}{2} q^2 g^2 A^{+a}(q) A^{+a}(-q) \\ + \frac{g^4}{8} f^{abe} f^{cde} \left(\delta^{lm} - \frac{q^l q^m}{q^2} \right) \int \frac{d^2 k}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{d^2 p}{(2\pi)^2} k^l p^m A^{+a}(q-k) A^{+b}(k) A^{+c}(-q-p) A^{+d}(p)$$

* not “diagonal” in q , analytic calculation of $V_{\text{eff}}[X(q)]$ more complicated

* numerical MC computation is no problem though,

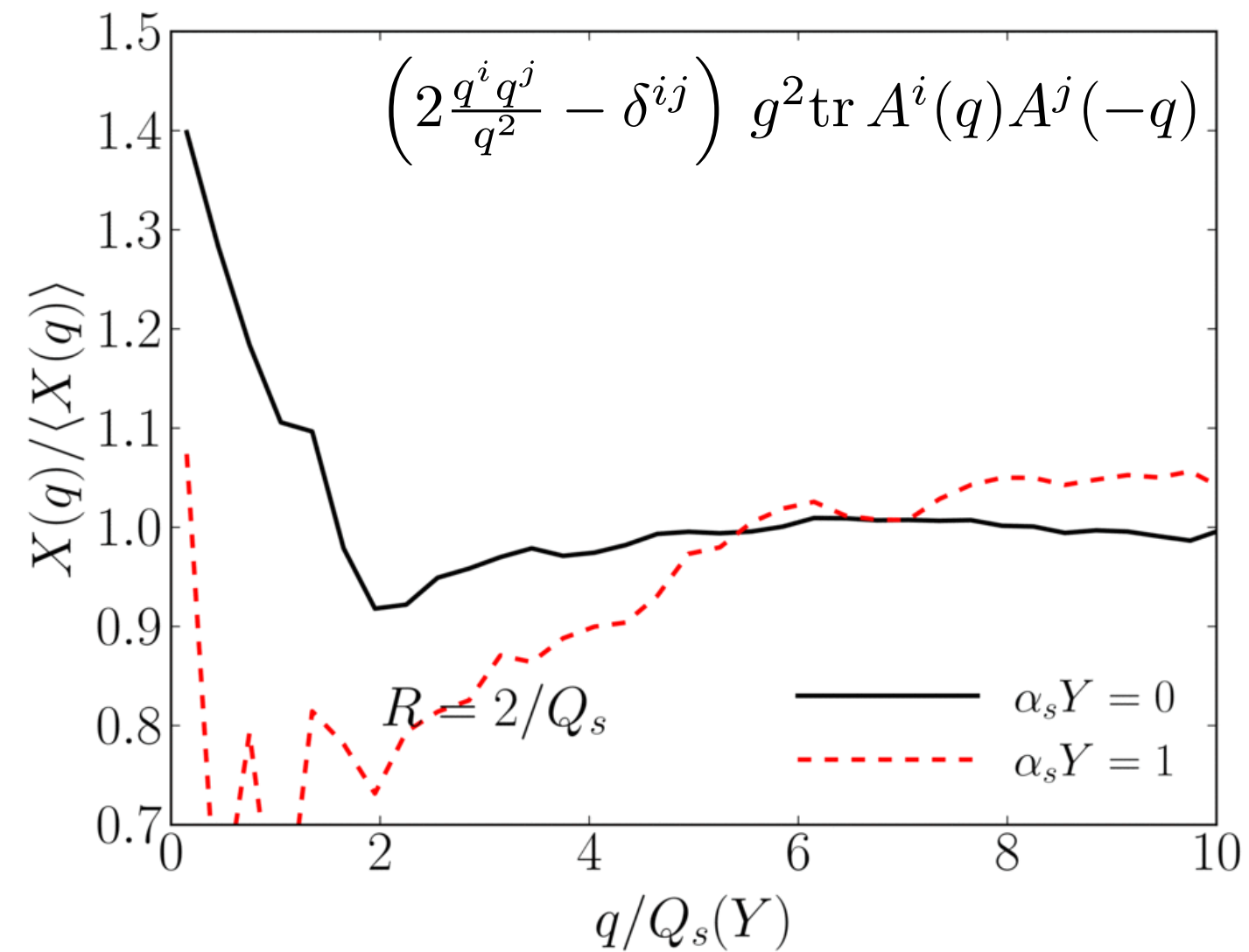
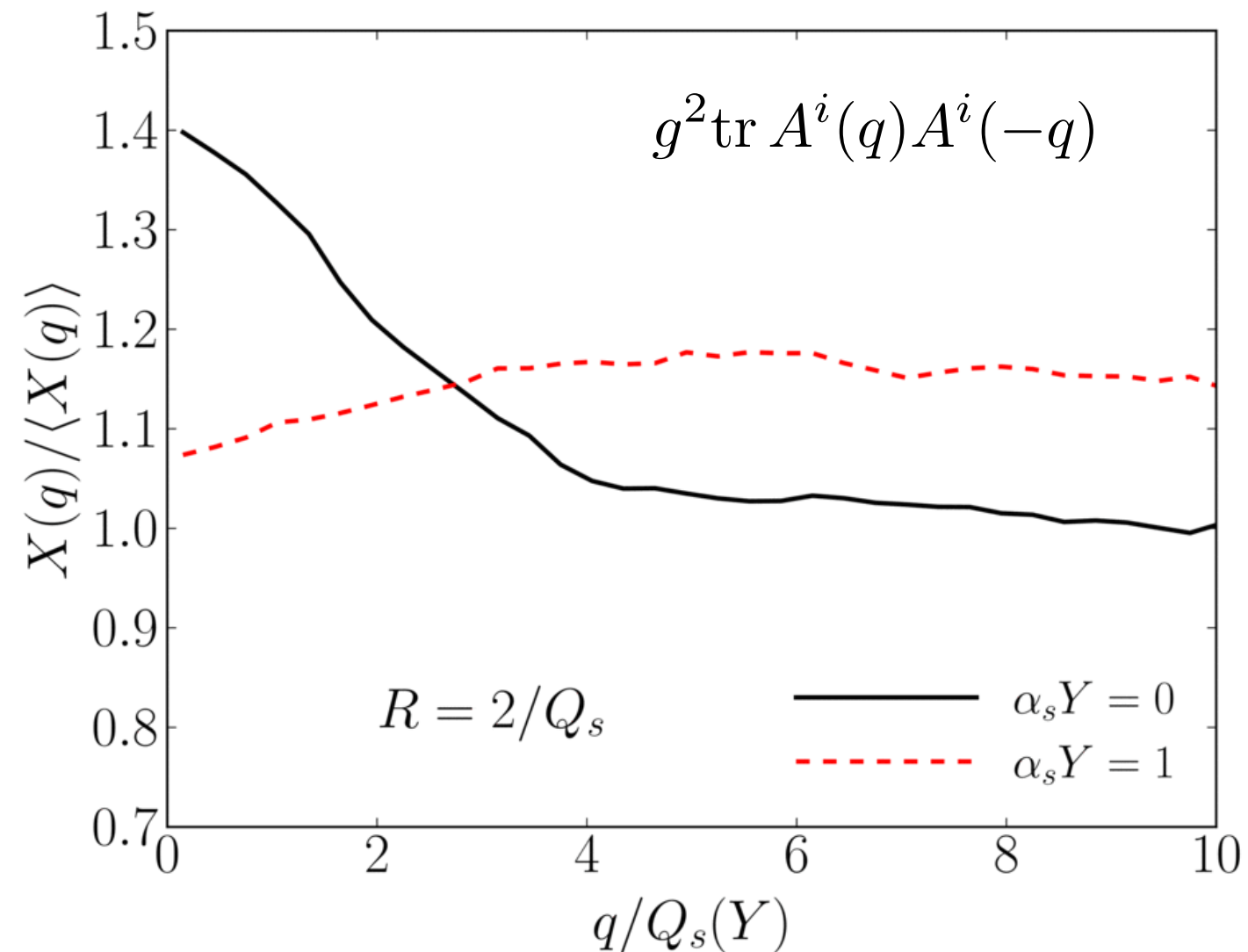
(to all orders in gA^+ : $A^i = (i/g) U[A^+] \partial^i U^\dagger[A^+]$)

Summary

- effective potential for observable $O[A^+]$:
integrate out “orthogonal” fluctuations of A^+ from MV / JIMWLK action
- for $O[A^+] = g^2 \text{tr} |A^+(q)|^2$ we obtained $V_{\text{eff}}[\eta]$ analytically & numerically: linear minus log
 $\eta(q) \equiv X(q) / X_s(q)$ describes fluctuations of cov. gauge gluon distribution
- tight correlation of gluon number and transverse momentum fluctuations
- strong increase of Δq^2 with ΔN_g , especially in small transv. area
- evolution modifies the spectrum of fluctuations:
MV: gluon pile-up near Q_s ;
JIMWLK: scale invariant fluctuation $\eta(q)$ (for fixed coupl. kernel !)
above absorptive boundary

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MC results for WW (light cone gauge) gluon distribution



high multiplicity configurations via

$$\Delta N_g[\eta(q)] = \int \frac{d^2 q}{(2\pi)^2} [X(q) - X_s(q)]$$

← X(q)

Resummation of boost-invariant quantum fluctuations (JIMWLK):

classical ensemble at $Y = \log x_0/x = 0$:

$$P[\rho] \sim e^{-S_{\text{cl}}[\rho]}, \quad S_{\text{MV}} = \int d^2 x_{\perp} \frac{1}{2\mu^2} \rho^a \rho^a, \quad V(x_{\perp}) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left[ig^2 \int dx^- \frac{1}{\nabla_{\perp}^2} \rho(x_{\perp}) \right]$$

quantum evolution to $Y > 0$: random walk in space of Wilson lines

$$\partial_Y V(x_{\perp}) = V(x_{\perp}) \, it^a \left\{ \int d^2 y_{\perp} \, \varepsilon_k^{ab}(x_{\perp}, y_{\perp}) \, \xi_k^b(y_{\perp}) + \sigma^a(x_{\perp}) \right\}.$$

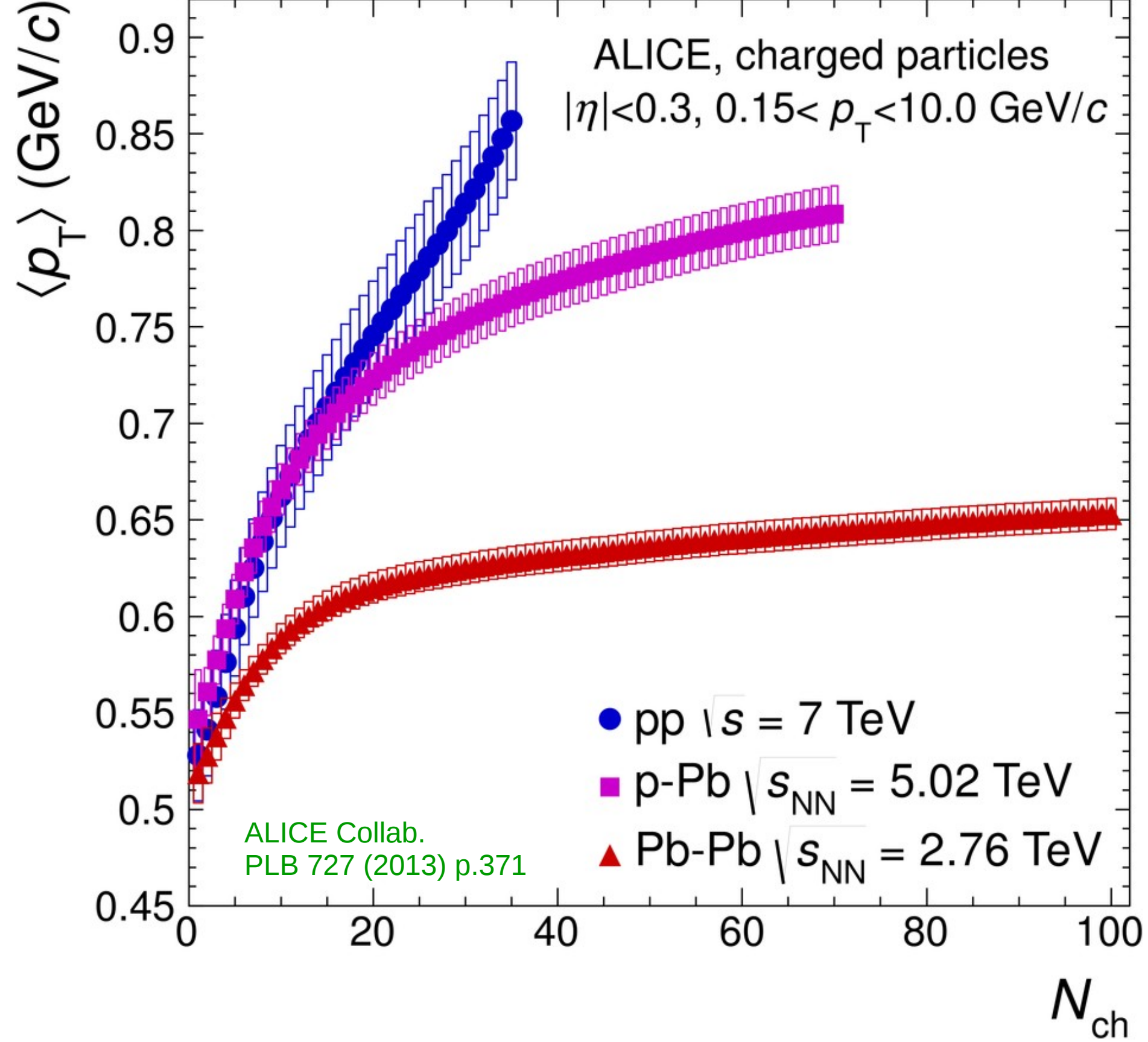
$$\varepsilon_k^{ab} = \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} \frac{(x_{\perp} - y_{\perp})_k}{(x_{\perp} - y_{\perp})^2} \left[1 - U^{\dagger}(x_{\perp}) U(y_{\perp}) \right]^{ab}$$

$$t^b U_{ab}(x_{\perp}) = \text{tr} \left(V(x_{\perp}) t^a V^{\dagger}(x_{\perp}) \right)$$

$$\langle \xi_i^a(x_{\perp}) \xi_j^b(y_{\perp}) \rangle = \delta^{ab} \delta_{ij} \delta^{(2)}(x_{\perp} - y_{\perp}) \quad (\text{Gaussian white noise})$$

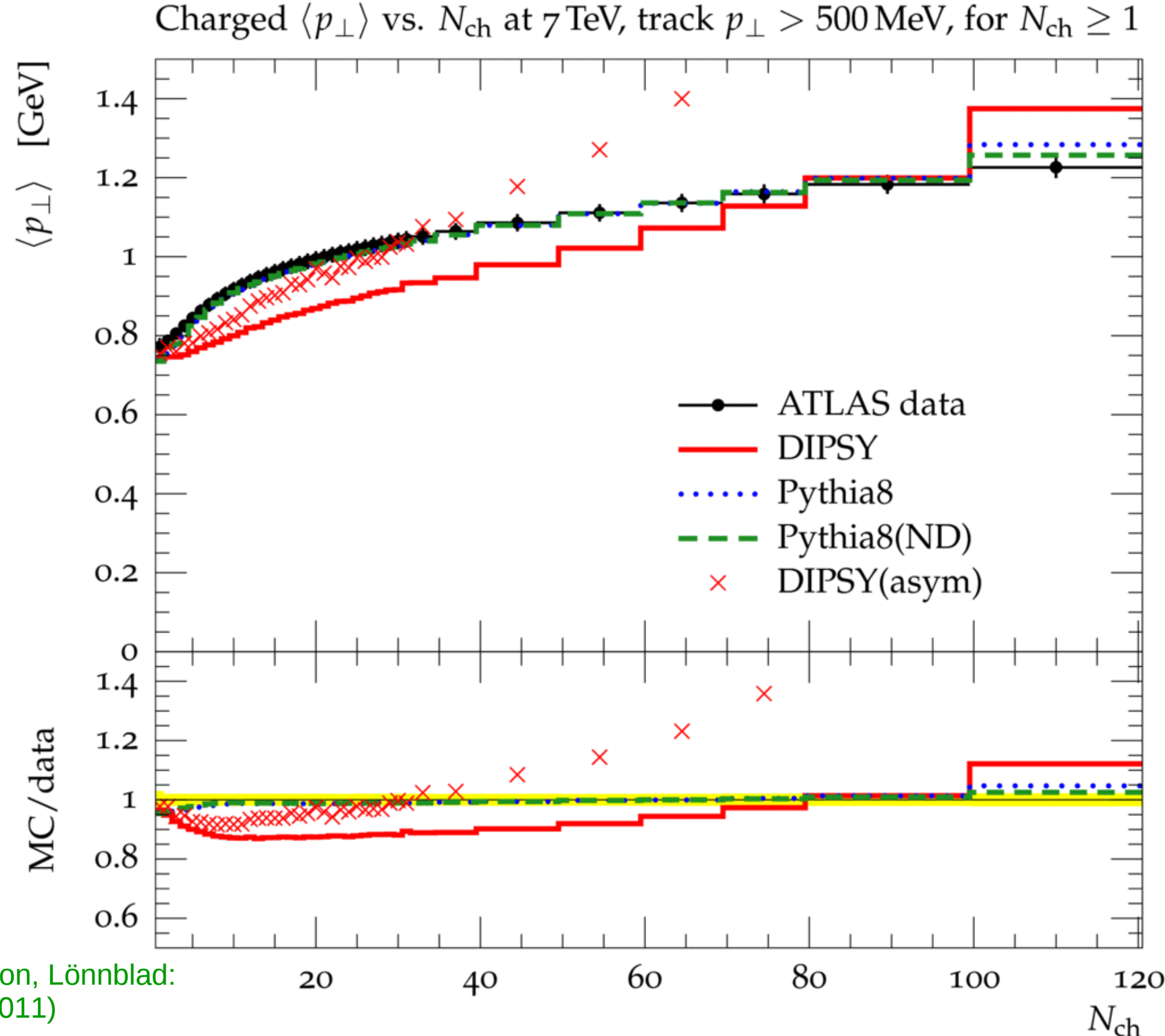
$$\sigma^a(x_{\perp}) = -i \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi^2} \int d^2 z_{\perp} \frac{1}{(x_{\perp} - z_{\perp})^2} \text{tr} \left(T^a U^{\dagger}(x_{\perp}) U(z_{\perp}) \right) \quad (\text{drag term})$$

Increase of $\langle p_T \rangle$
in p+p, p+Pb collisions
with event multiplicity



$\langle p_T \rangle$ vs. N_{ch} :
ATLAS data vs. models

- PYTHIA8 virtually perfect
- DIPSY qualitatively ok
- can one relate this to B-JIMWLK $W[A^+]$?



Flensburg, Gustafson, Lönnblad:
JHEP 1108, 103 (2011)