

# Interference Effects for Jets in Medium

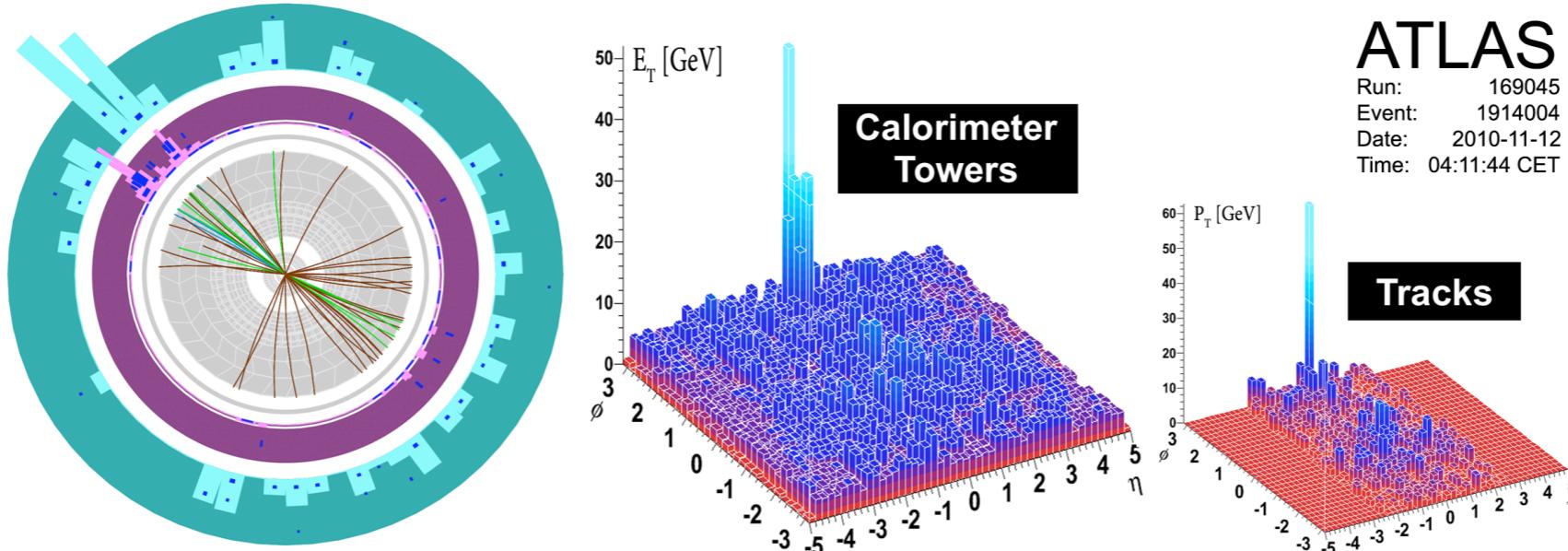
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# Jets in Heavy Ion Collisions



- Jets are strongly modified in a heavy ion environment
- Interactions in the collision lead to a large energy loss

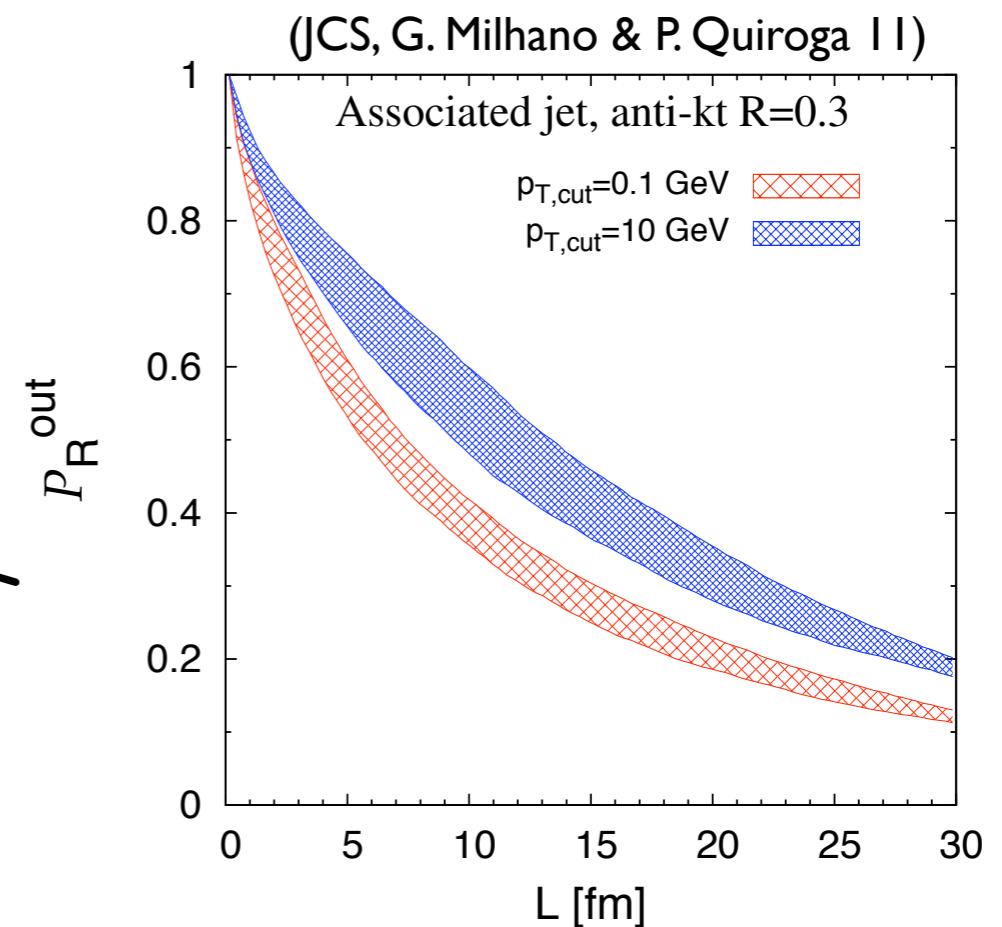
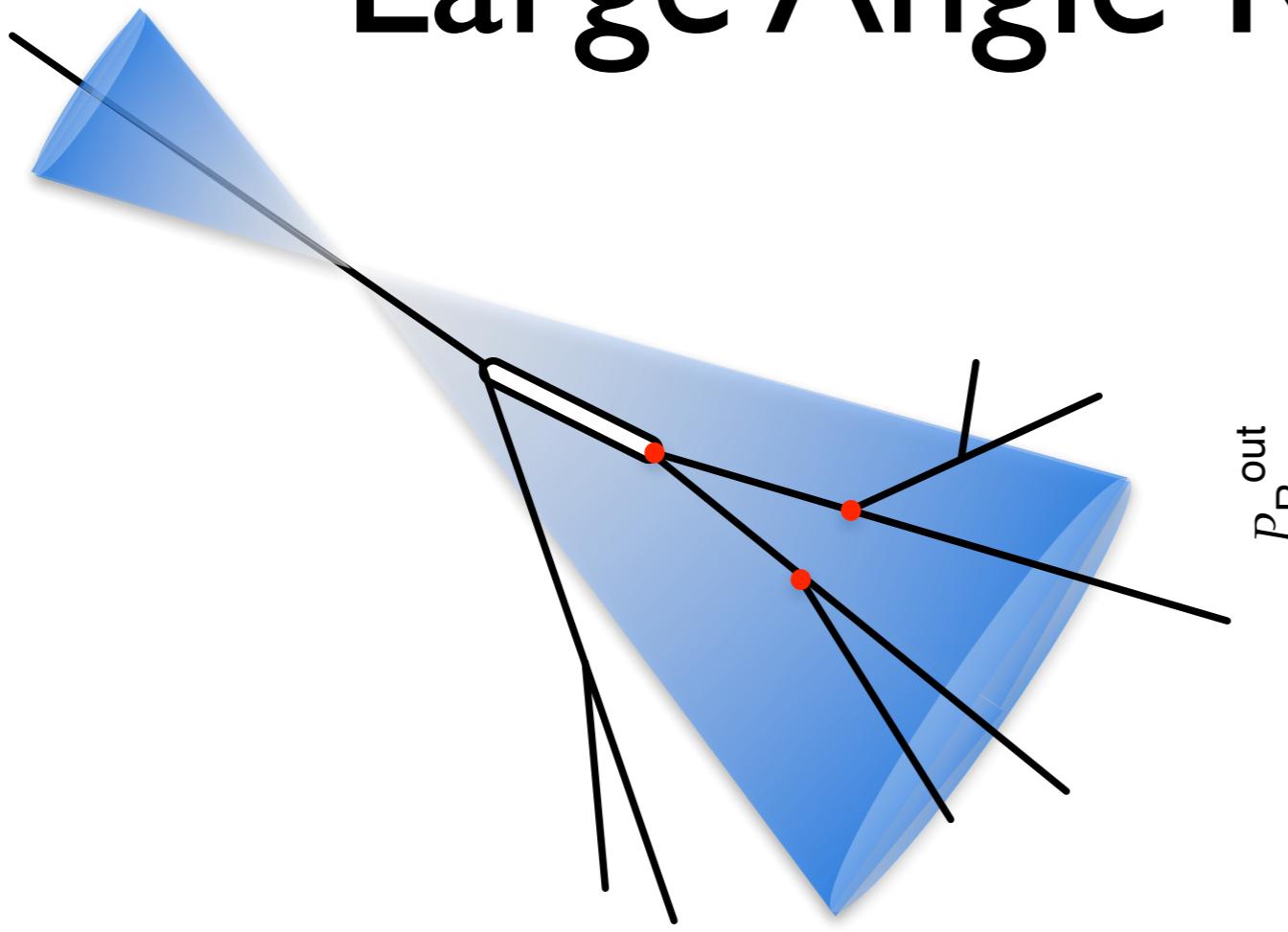
$$\langle \Delta E \rangle \sim 20 \text{ GeV}$$

(JCS, G. Milhano & U. Wiedemann 10)

- However, the fragmentation pattern is unmodified.

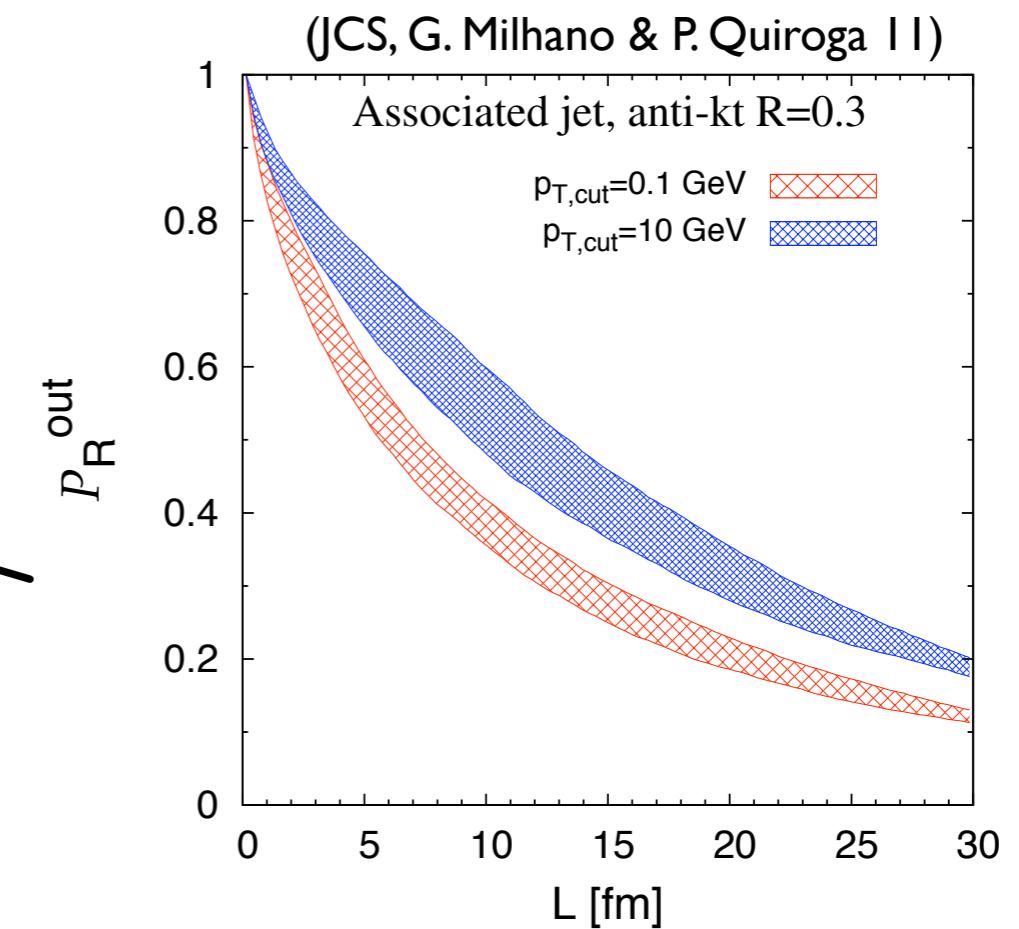
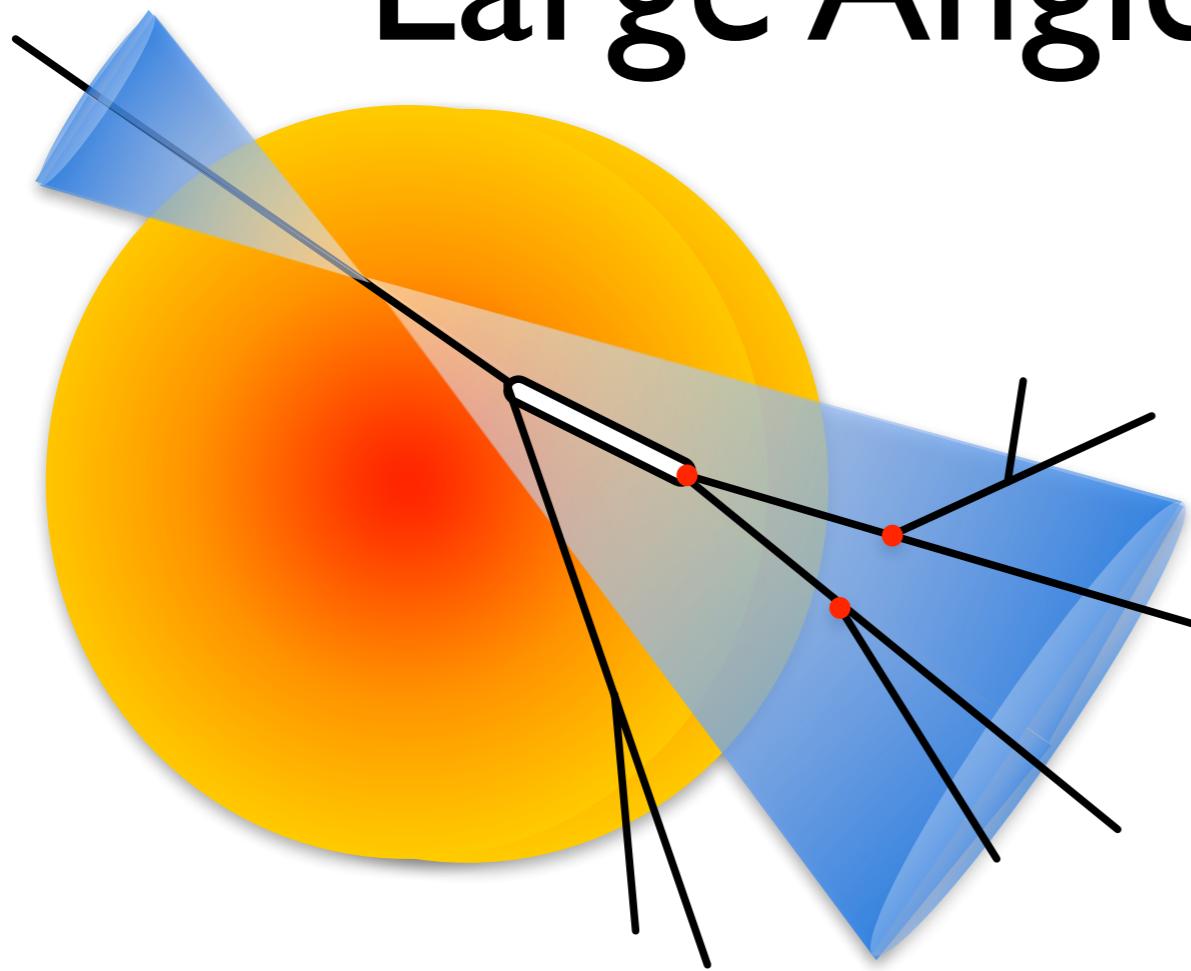
(at least for relatively narrow jet cones)

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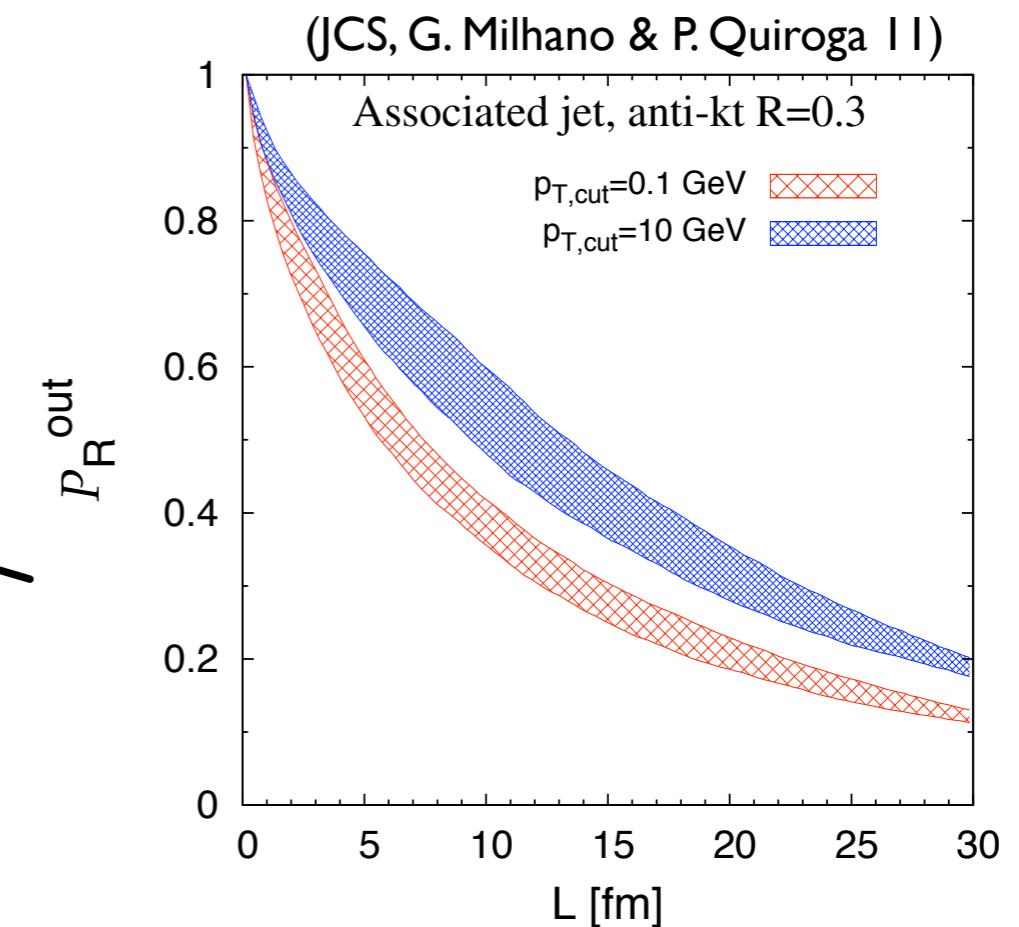
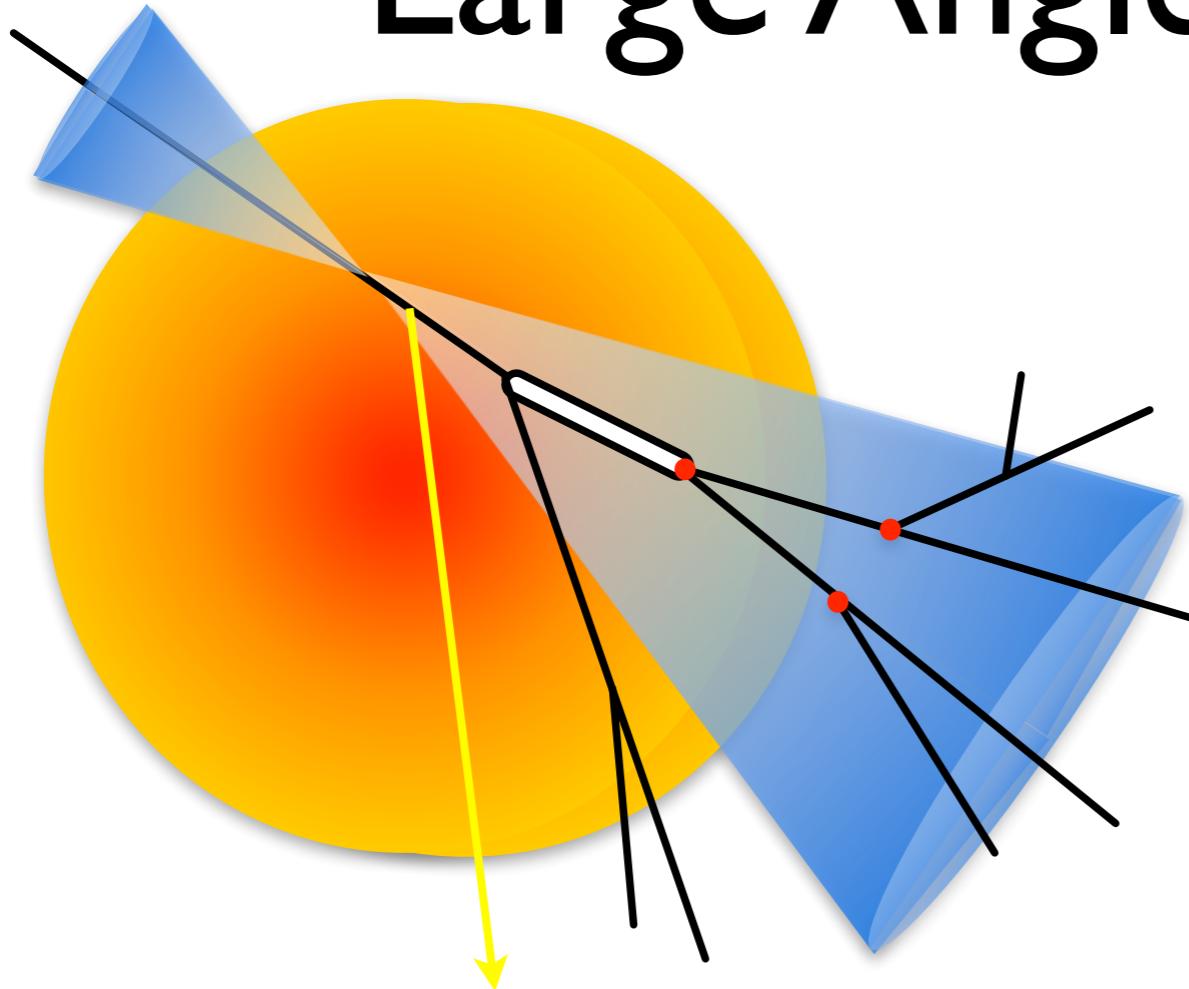
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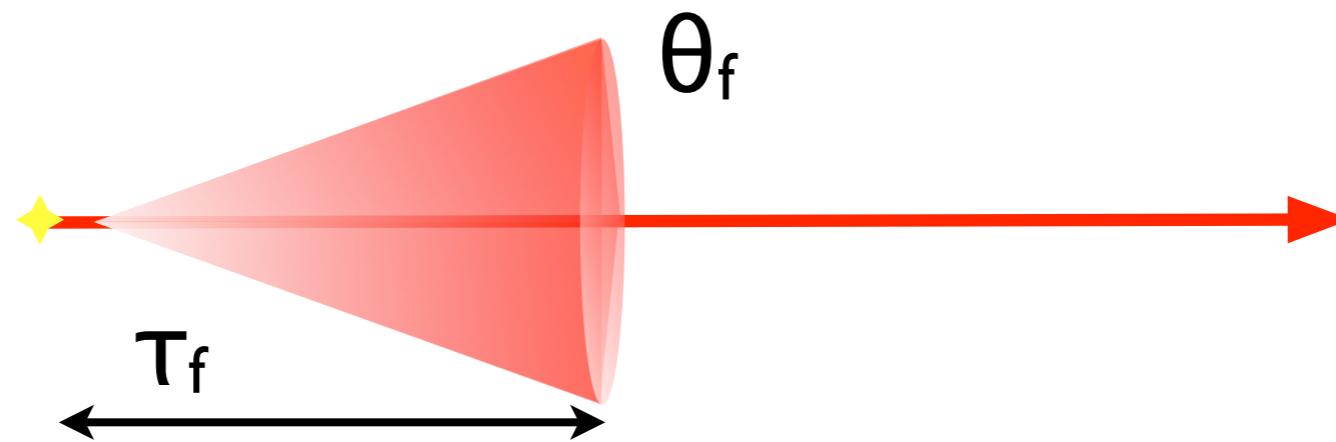
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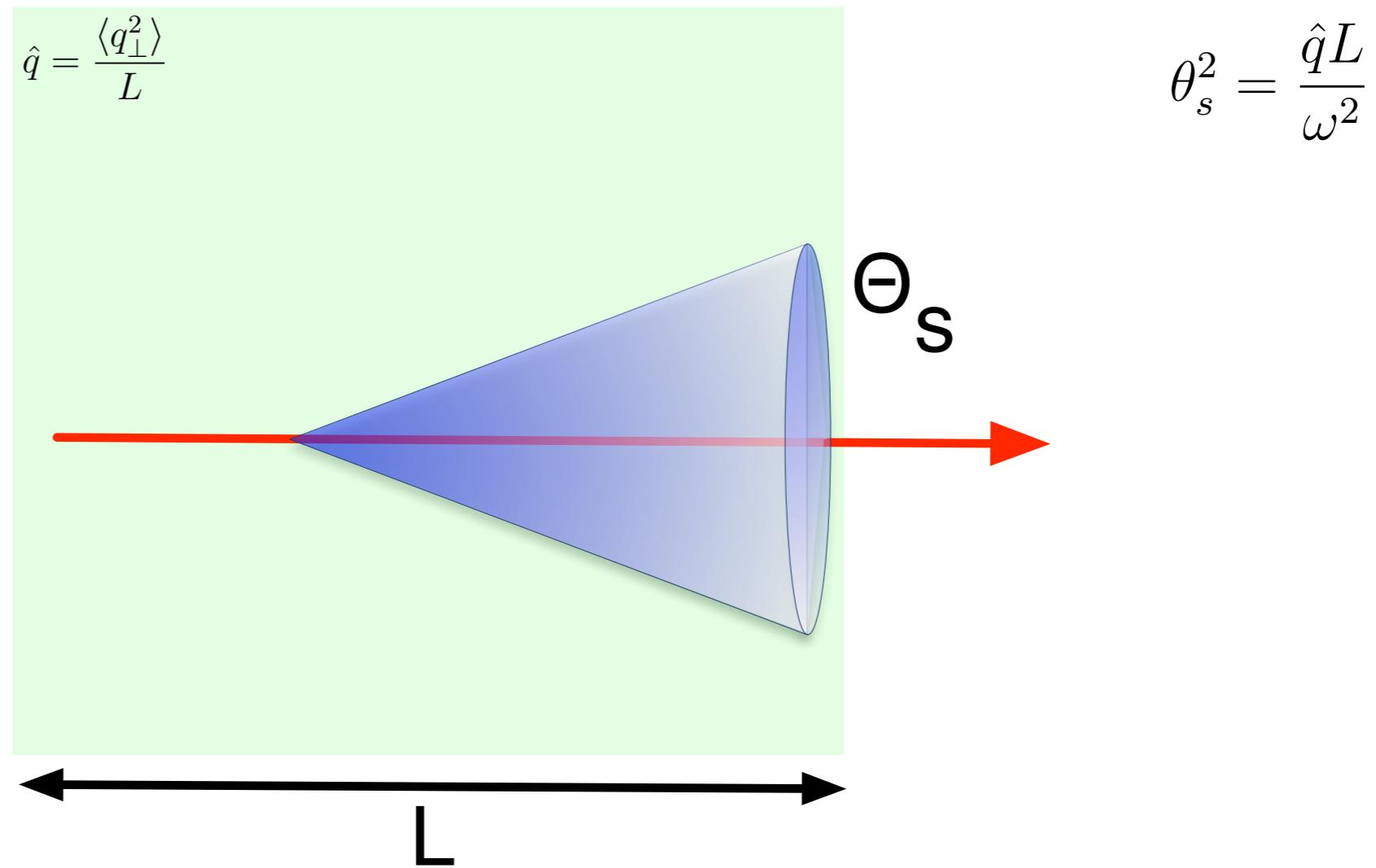


- We focus on soft gluons of frequency  $\omega \ll E$ .
- Gluon emission rate at an angle  $\Theta_f$  from the source:

$$dN \propto \theta_f^2 \tau_f^2 \quad \tau_f \sim \frac{1}{\omega \theta_f^2}$$

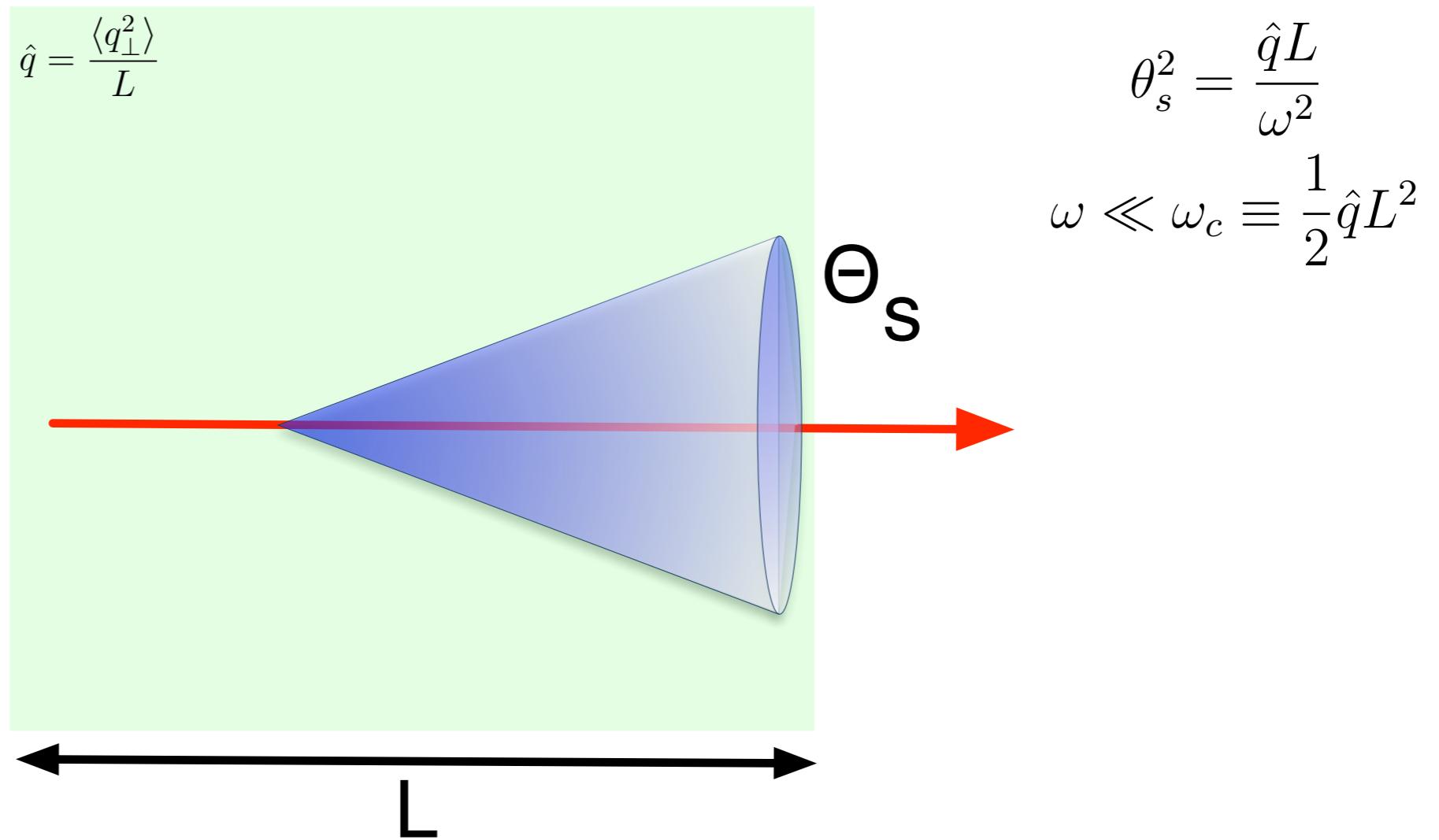
- $\tau_f$  is the time scale within which vacuum gluons are formed
- After the quark and gluon decohere and behave as independent objects
- Vacuum radiation is mostly collinear.

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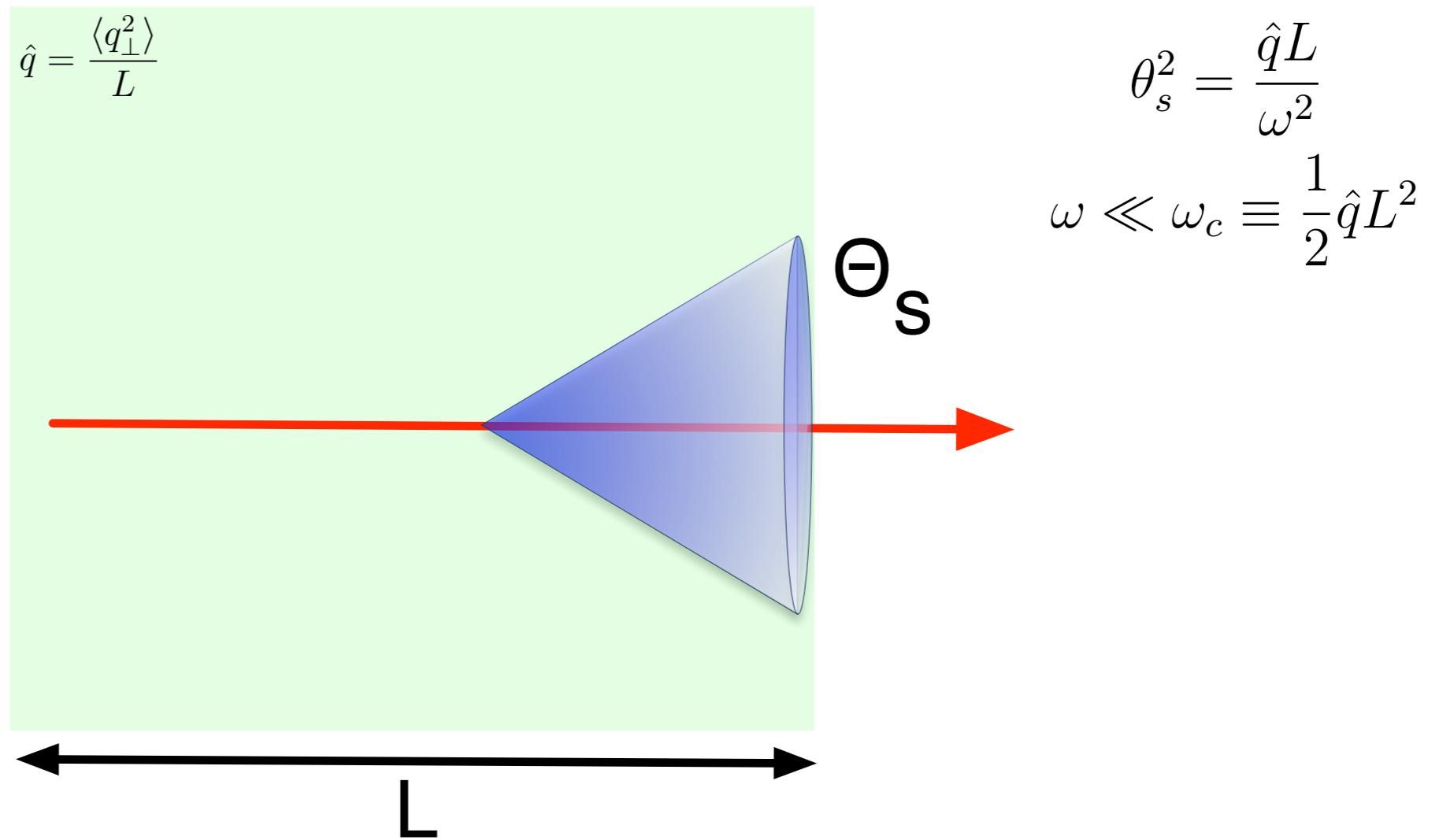
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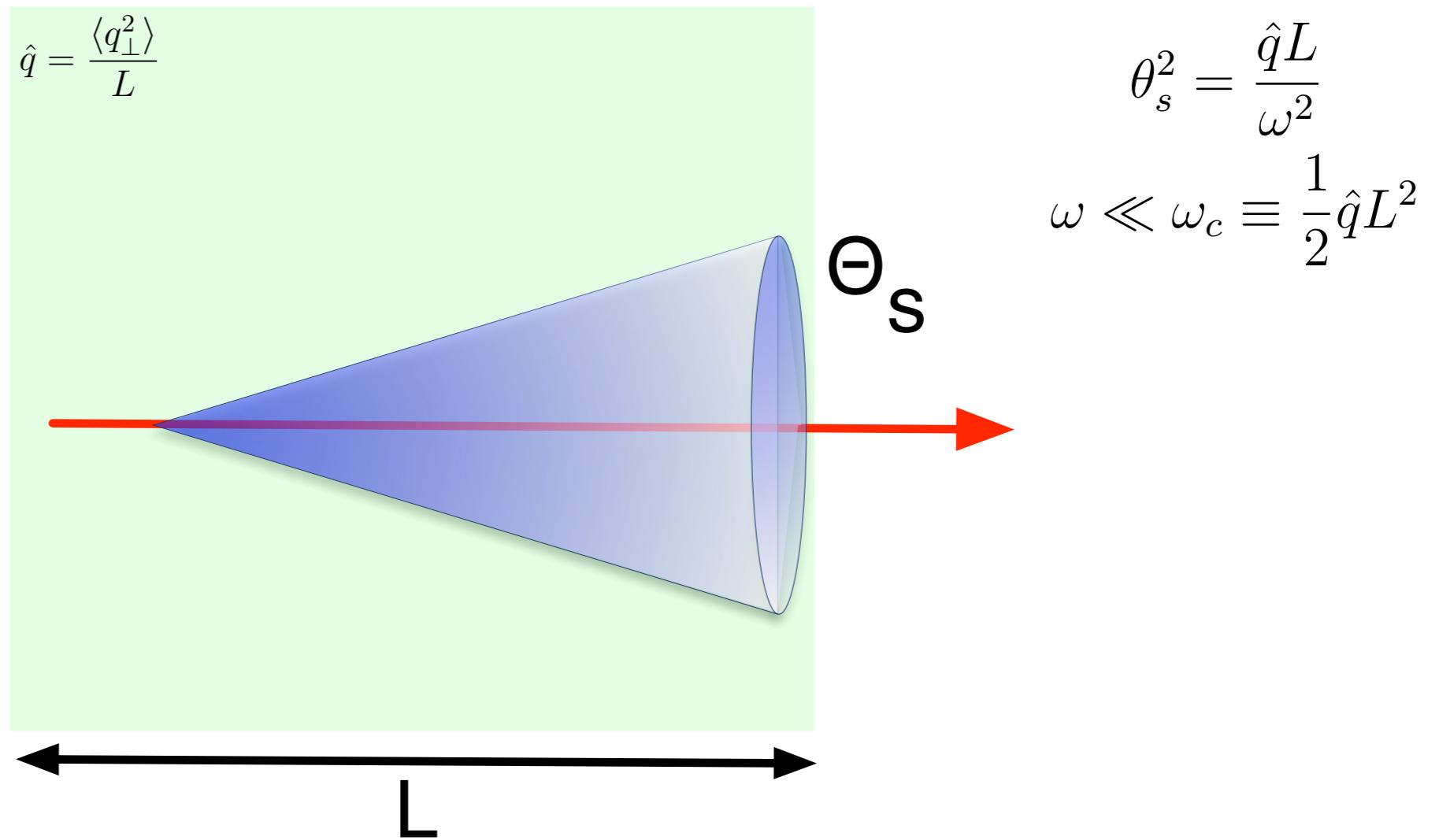
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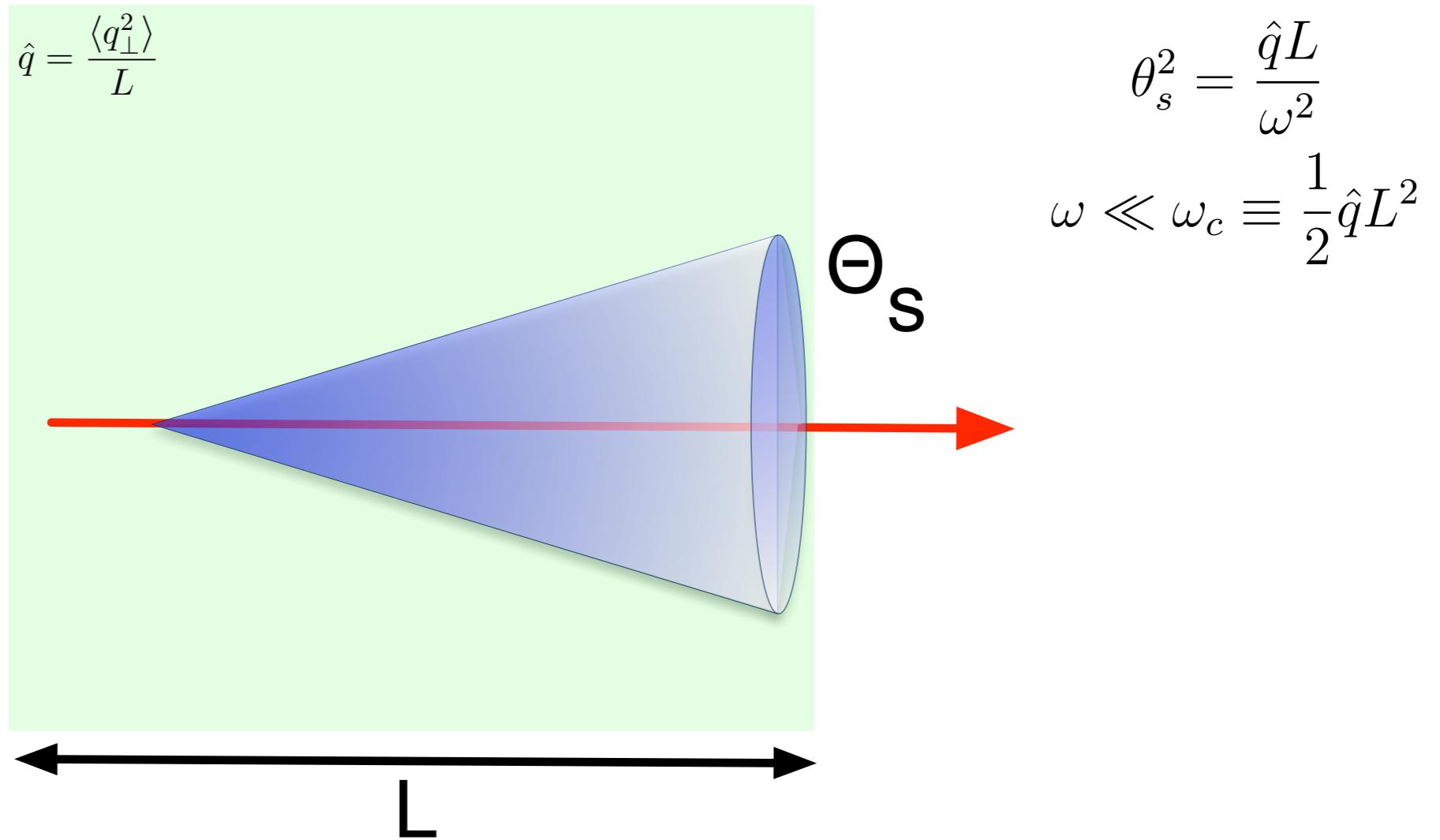
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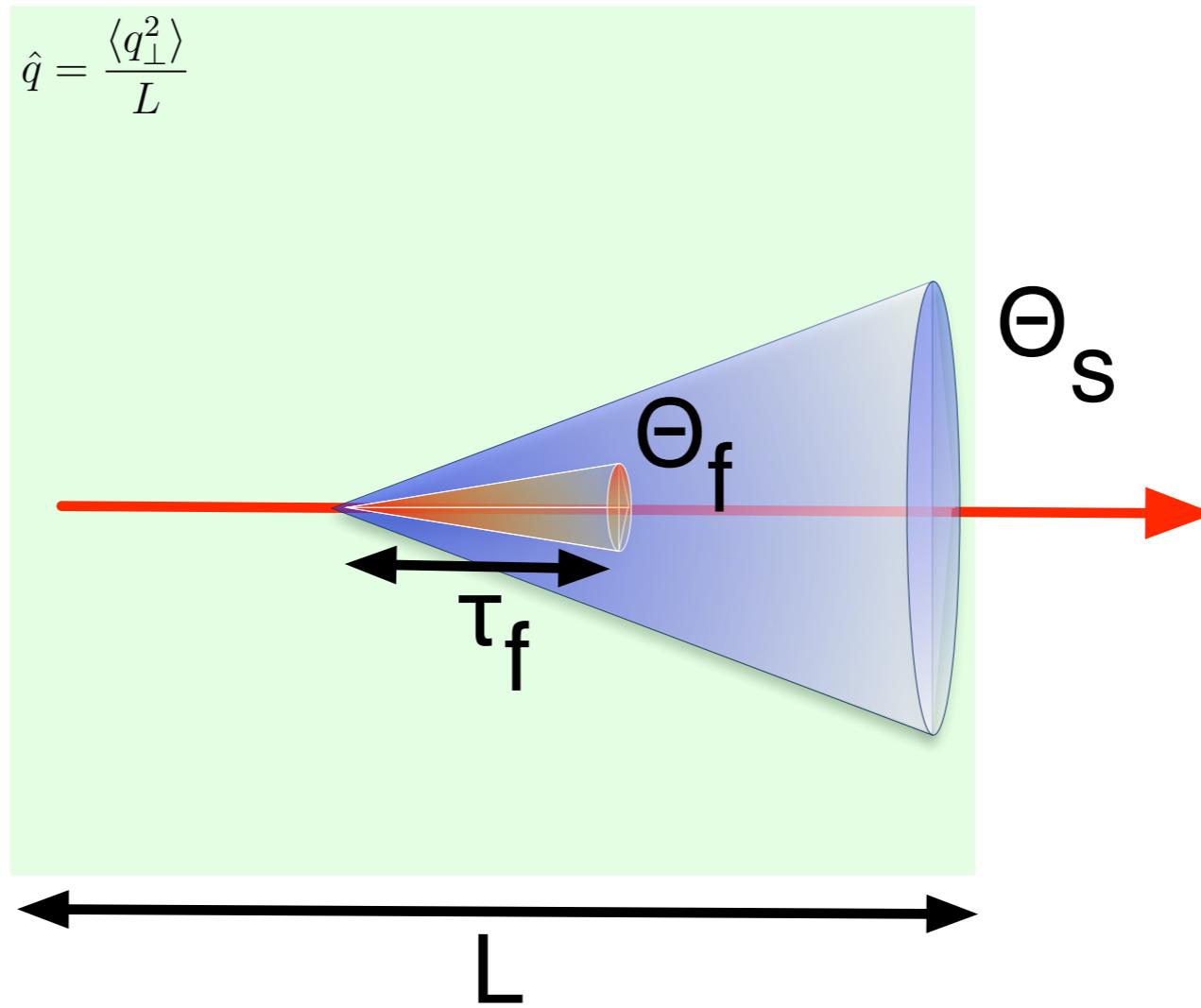
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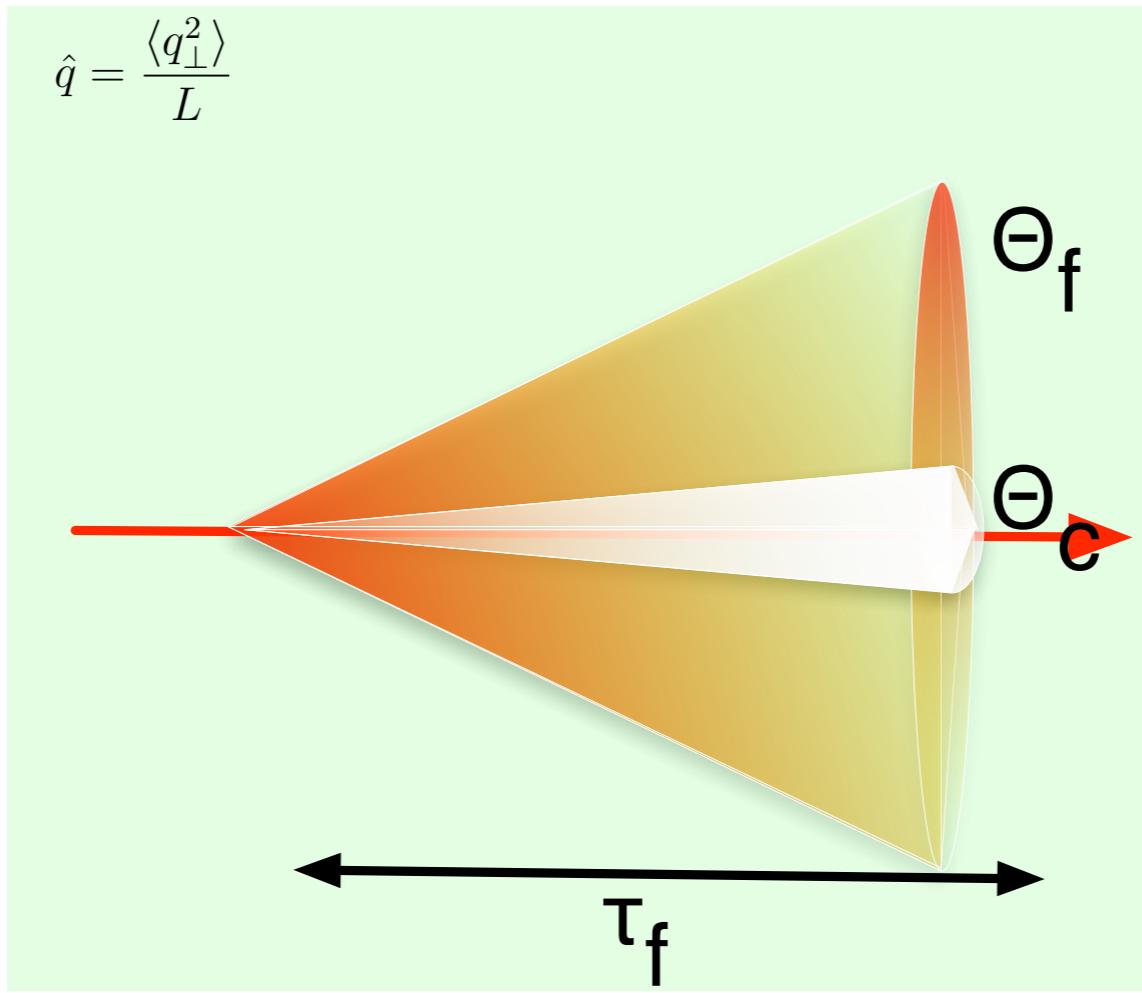
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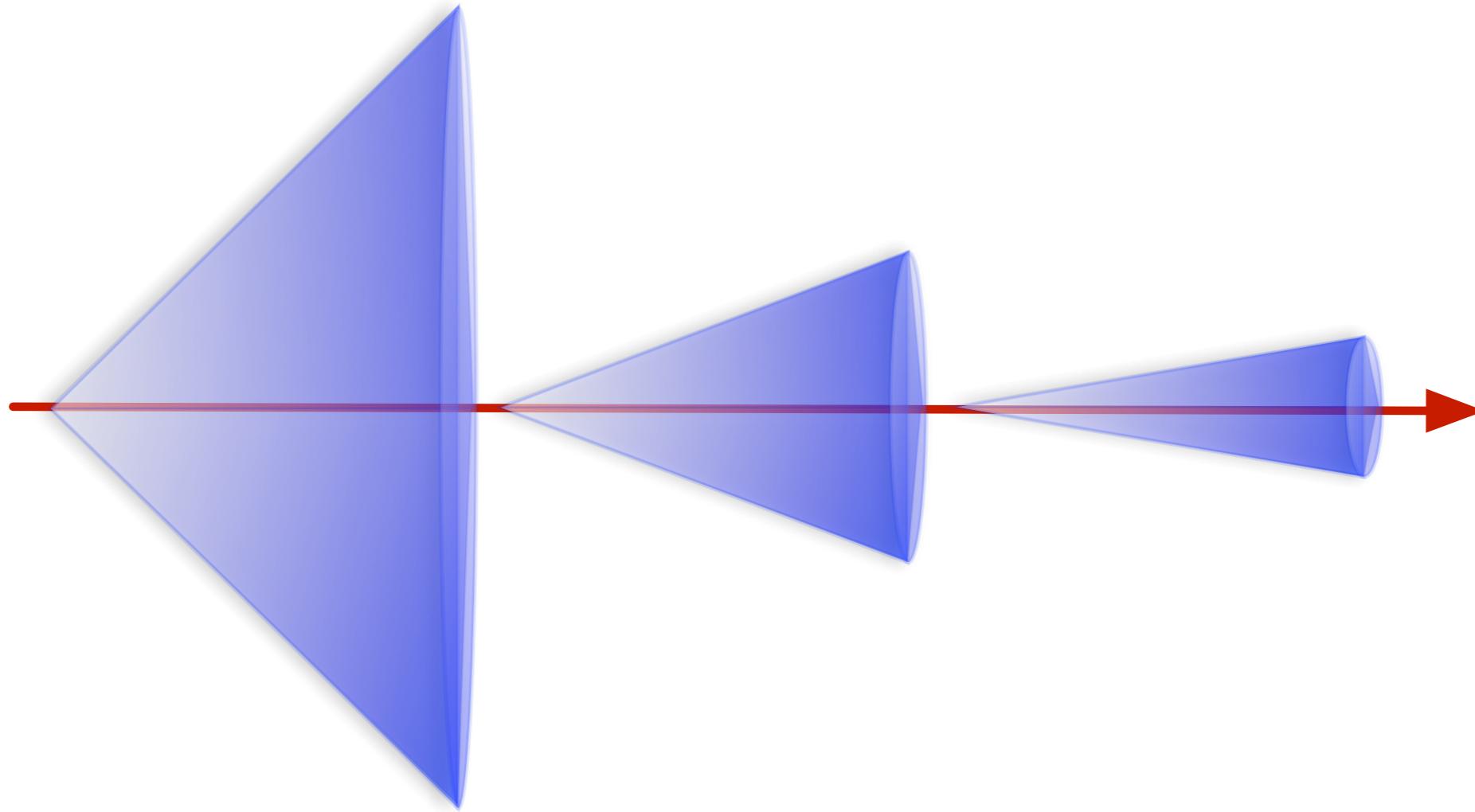
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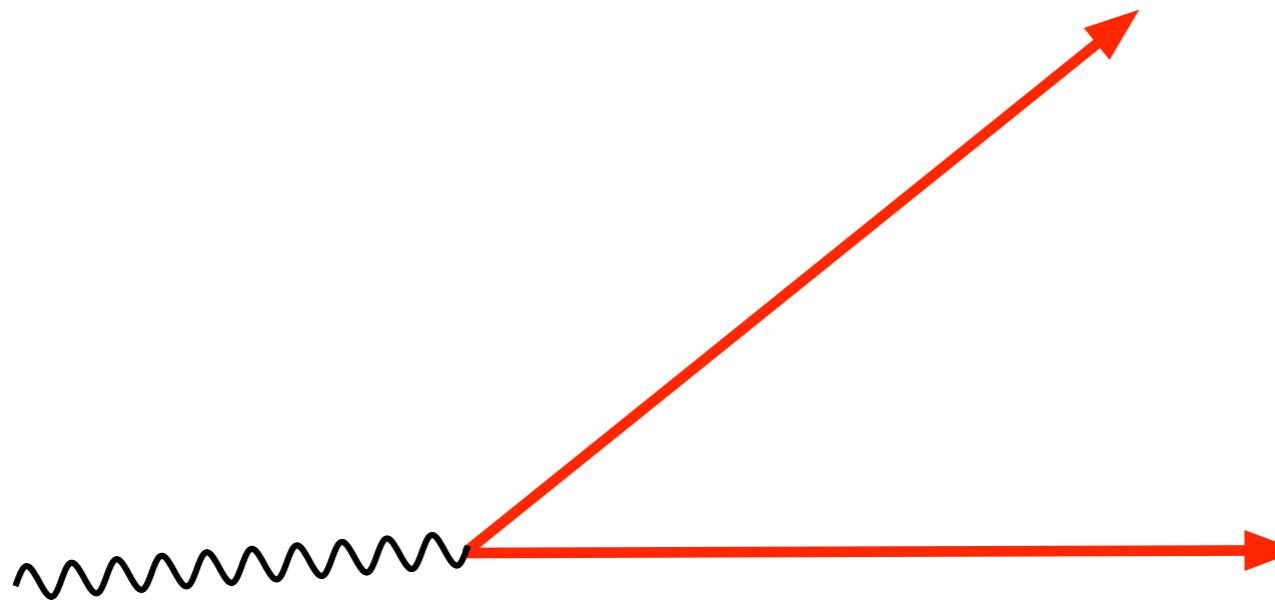
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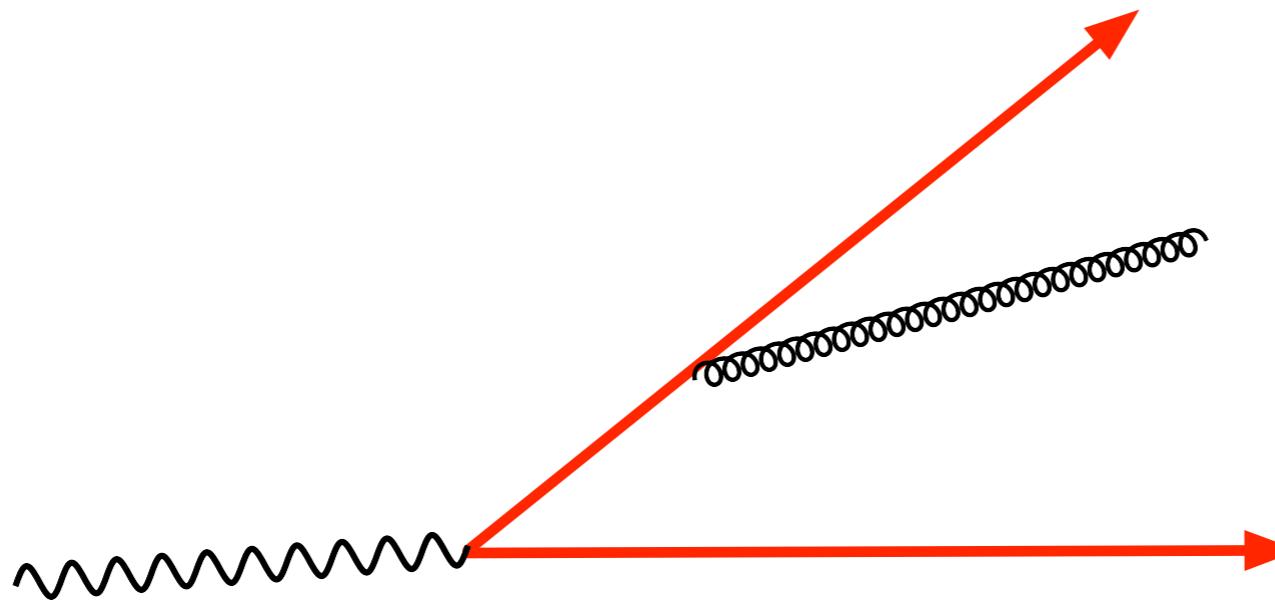
- Single gluon emission is not enough to describe jets
- In vacuum, successive radiations are not independent.
- More than one QCD emitter leads to angular ordering
- Does something similar happen in the medium?

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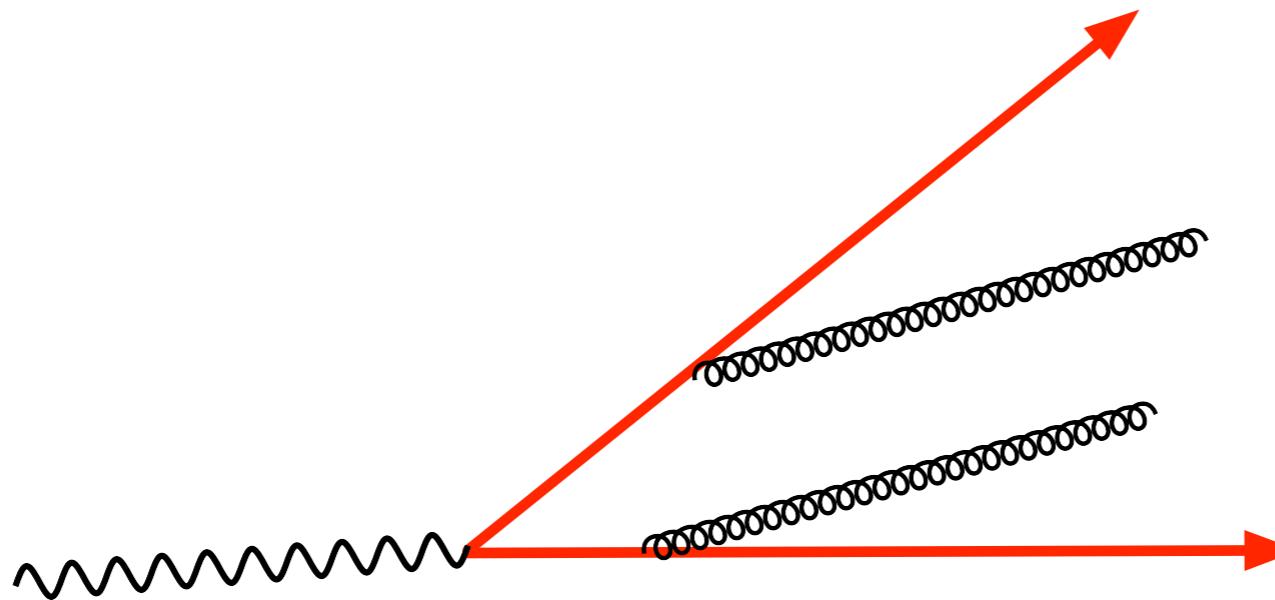
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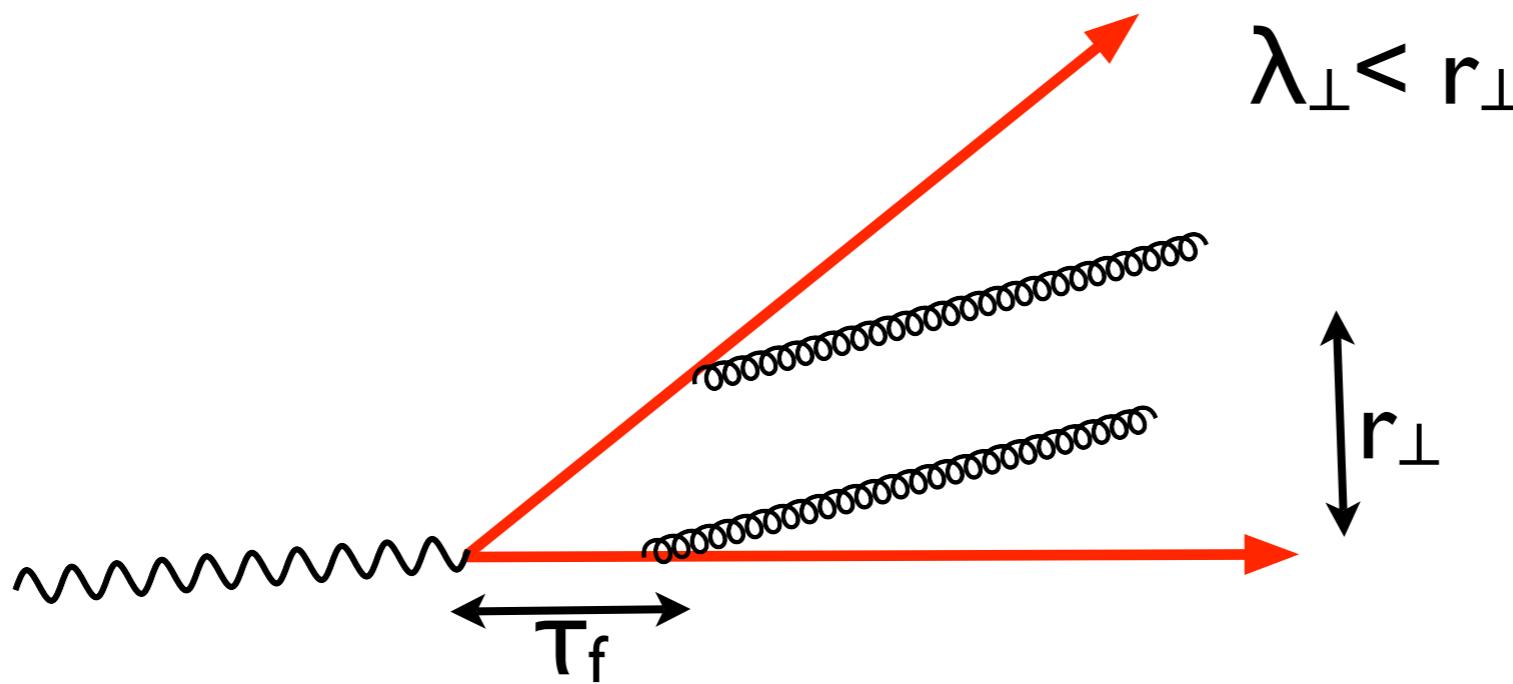
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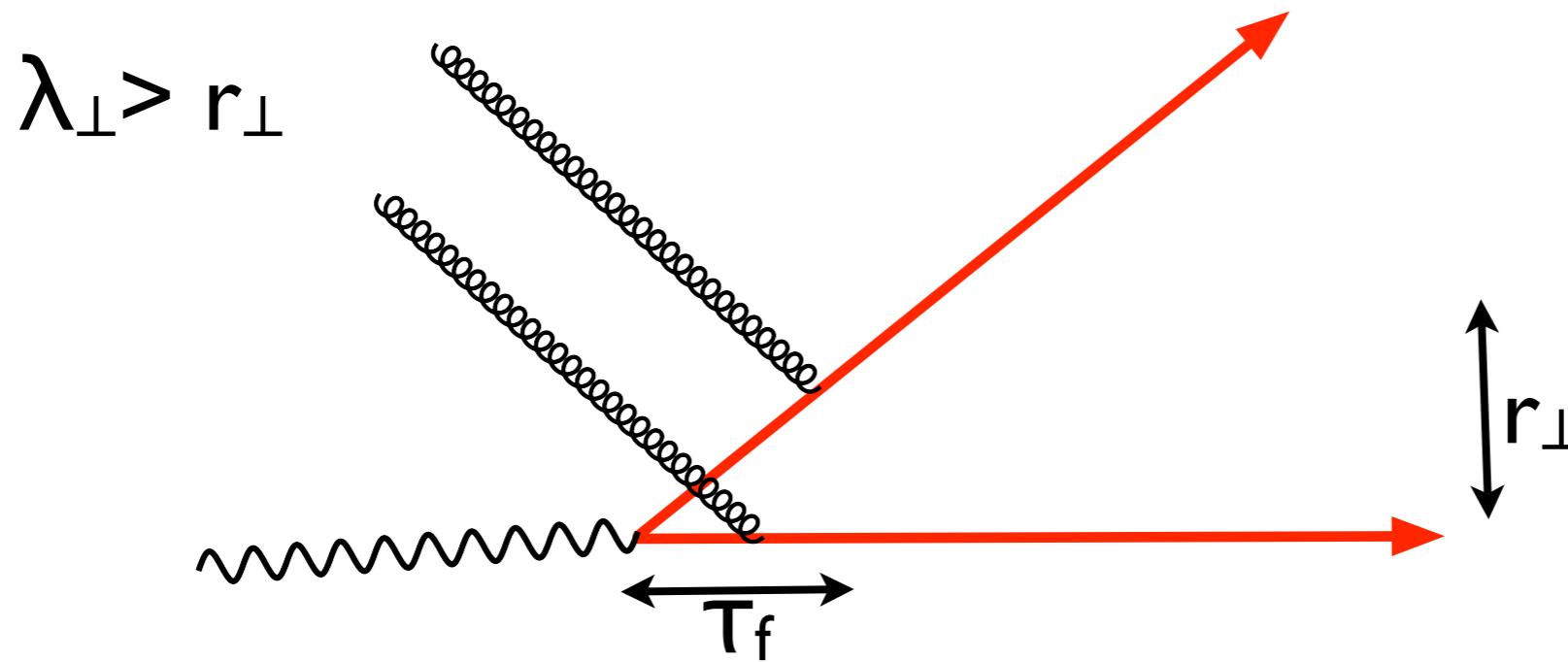
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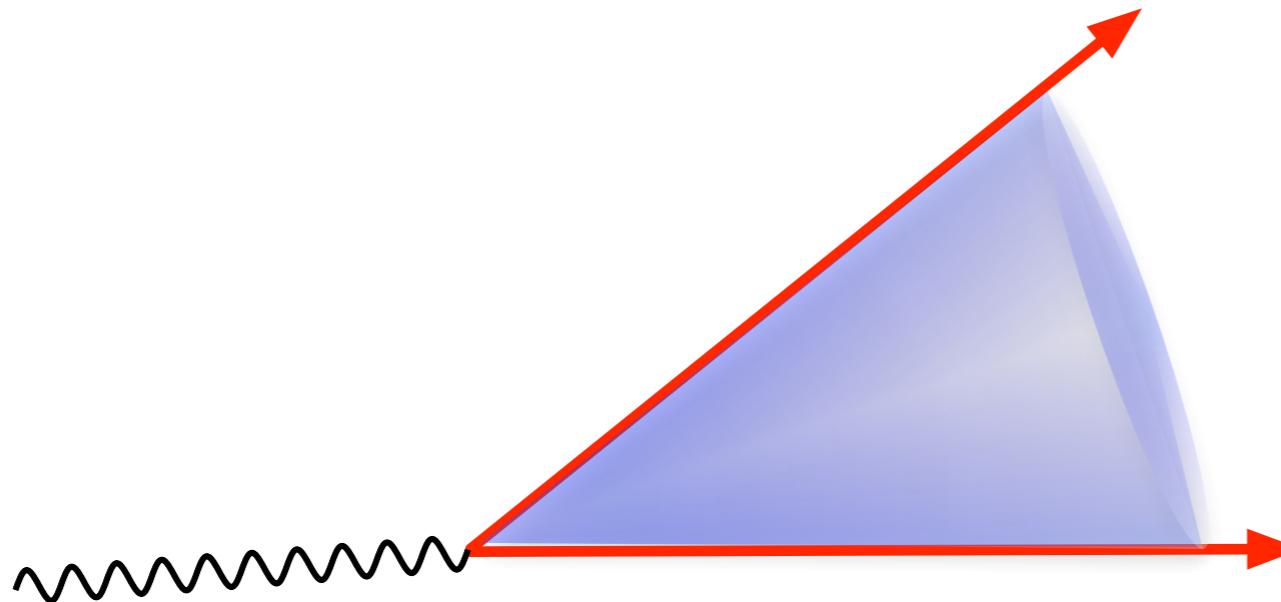
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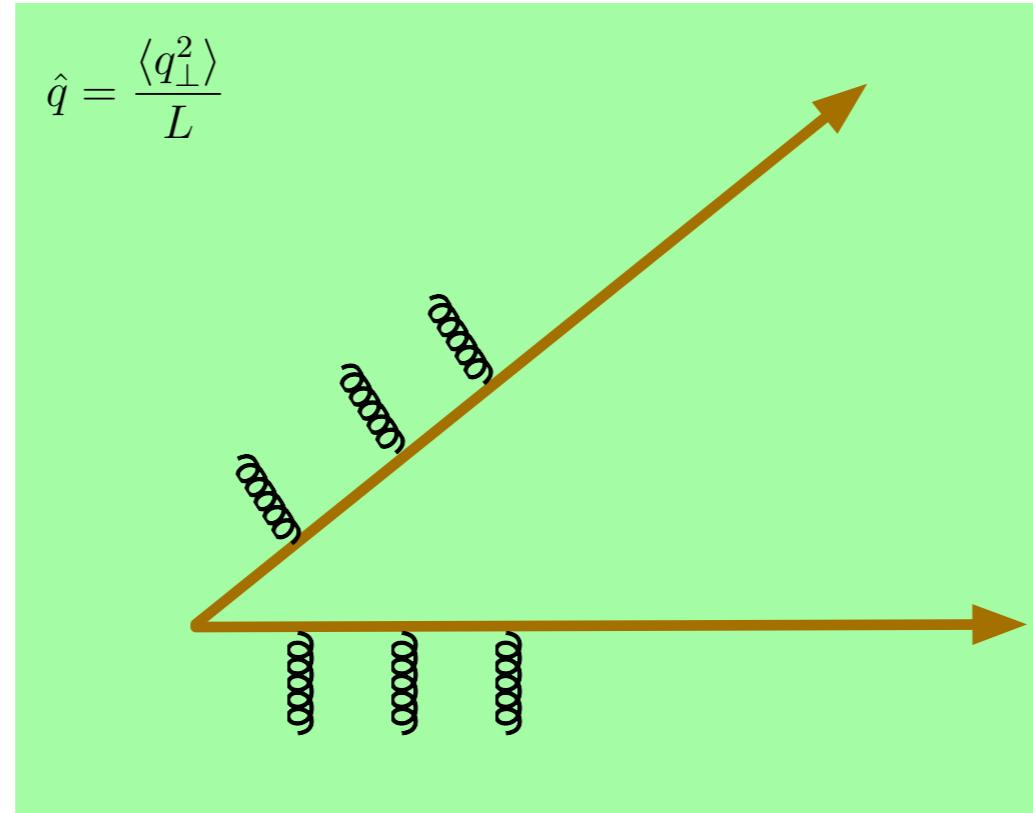
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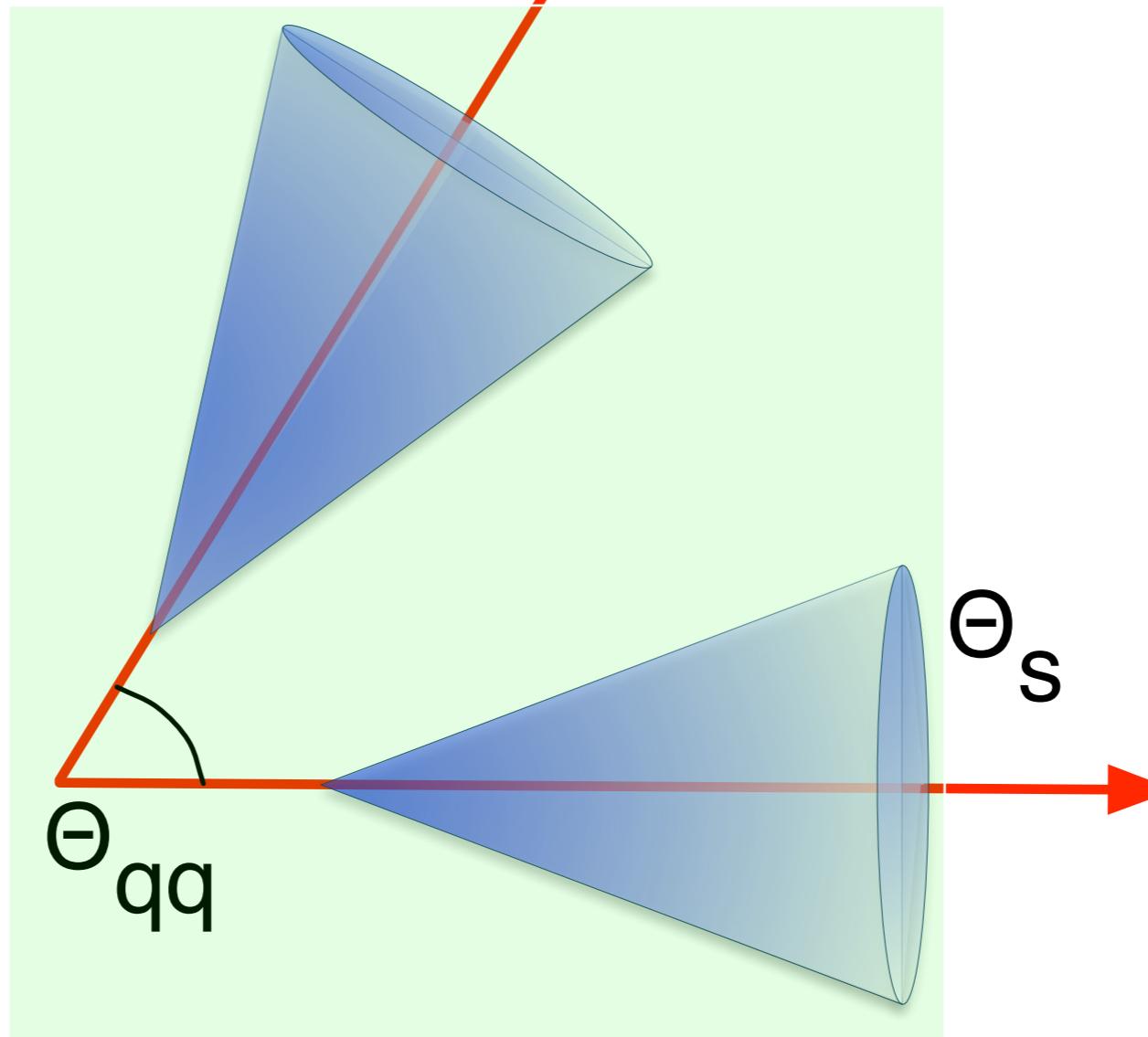
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- Emissions are confined to inside of the cone (A.O.)

# Color Rotation of the Antenna



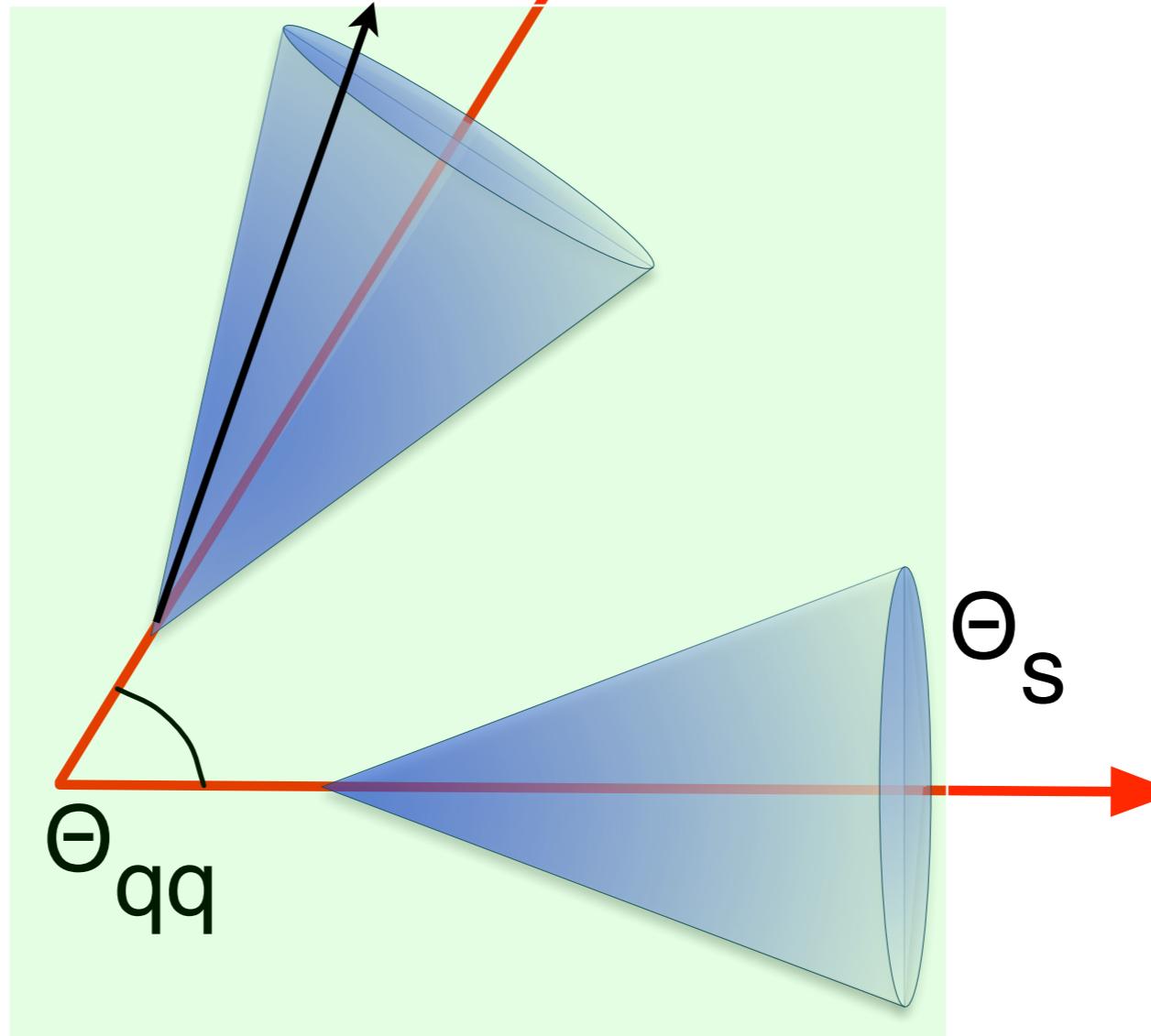
- In vacuum, the color state of the pair is preserved.
- In the medium, interactions lead to color precession
- The survival probability of the color state after a time  $\tau$  is (within the dipole model)  
$$e^{-(\tau/\tau_{coh})^3} \quad \tau_{coh} \sim \frac{1}{(\hat{q}\theta_{qq}^2)^{1/3}}$$
- How is the emission process affected by this rotation?
  - In the dense limit: JCS & Iancu 11, Mehtar-Tani, Salgado, Tywoniuk 11
  - In the dilute limit: Mehtar-Tani, Salgado, Tywoniuk 10  
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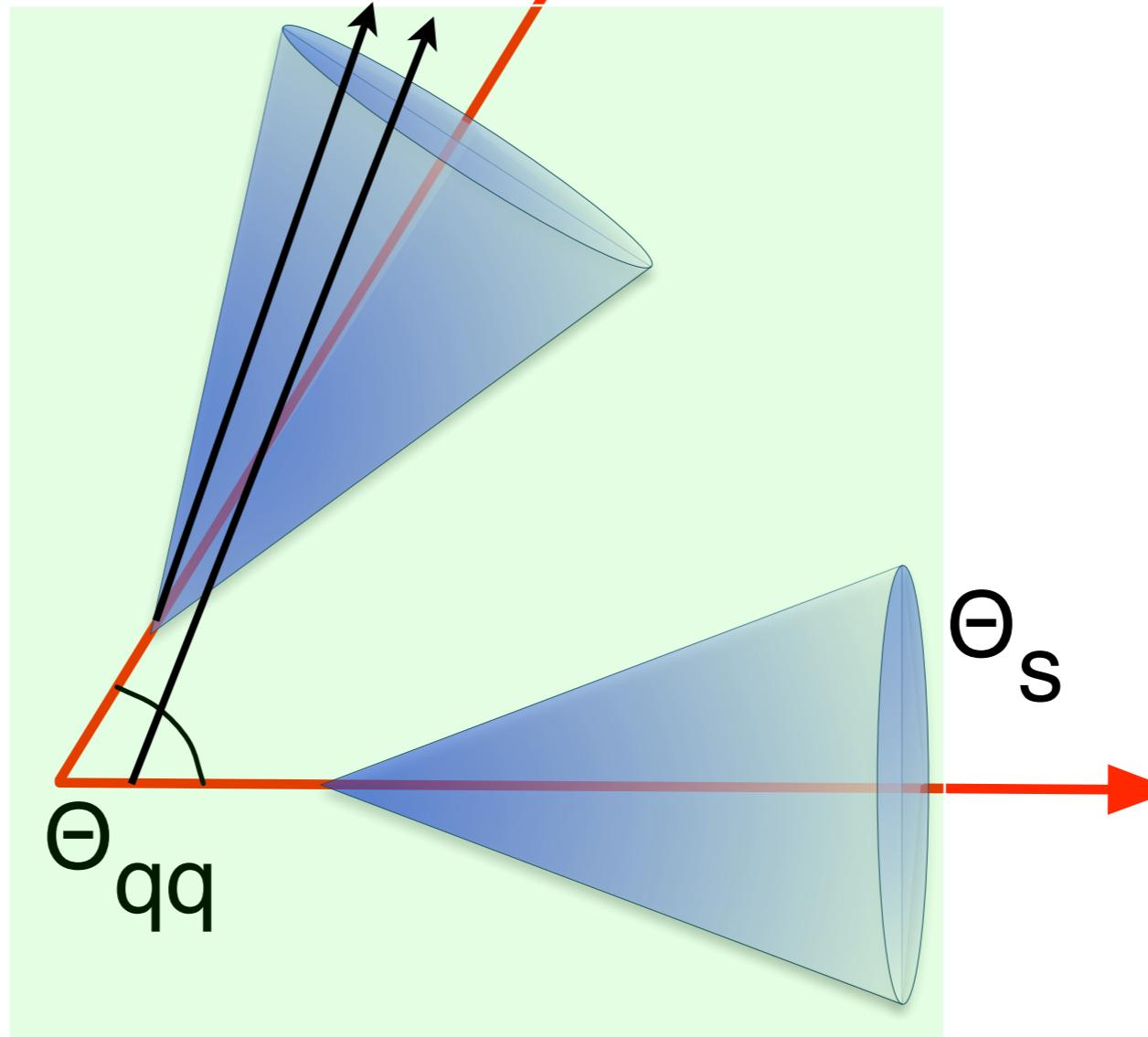
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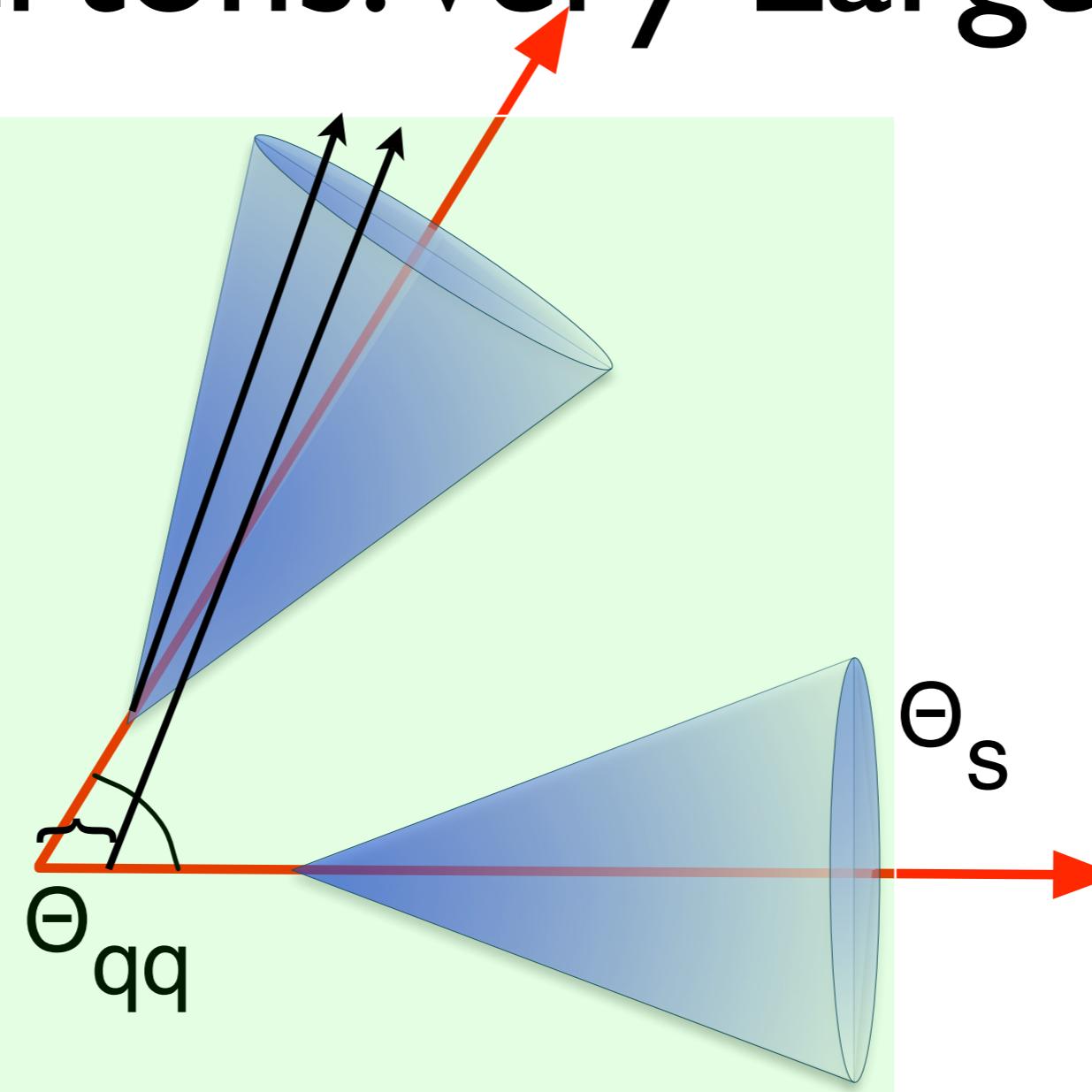


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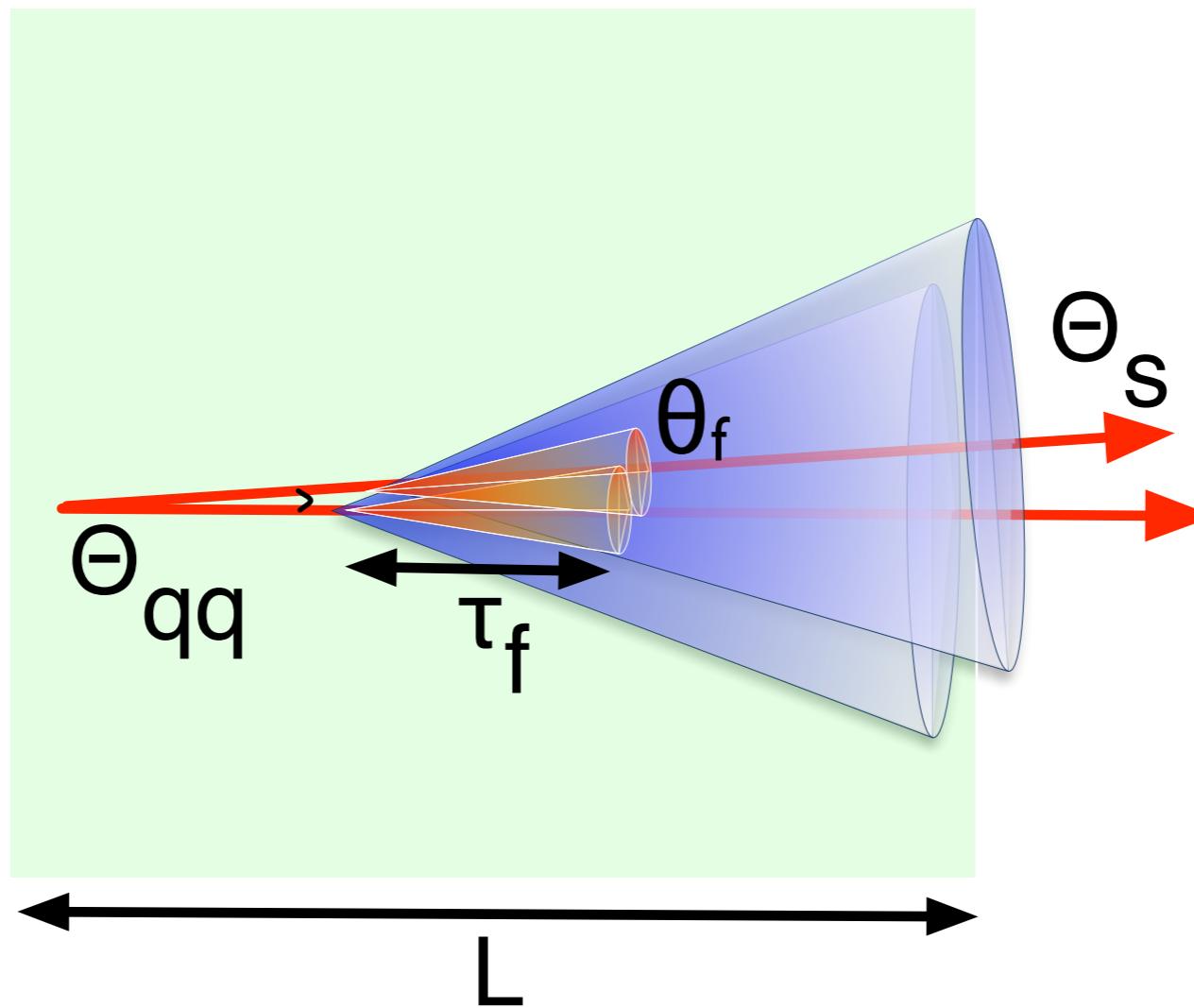
(quantum coherence)

$$\tau_{int} = \frac{2}{\omega \theta_{q\bar{q}}^2}$$



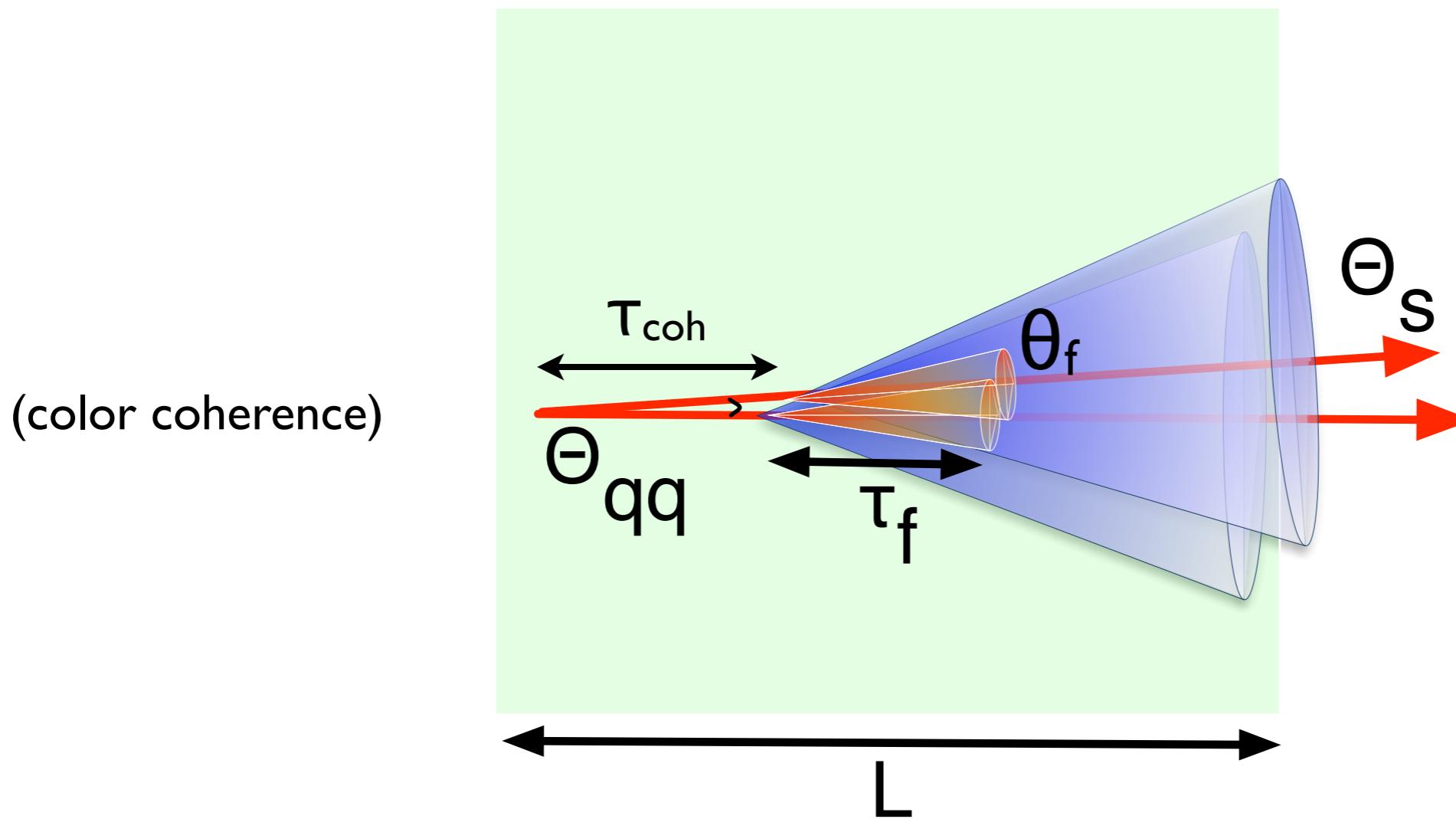
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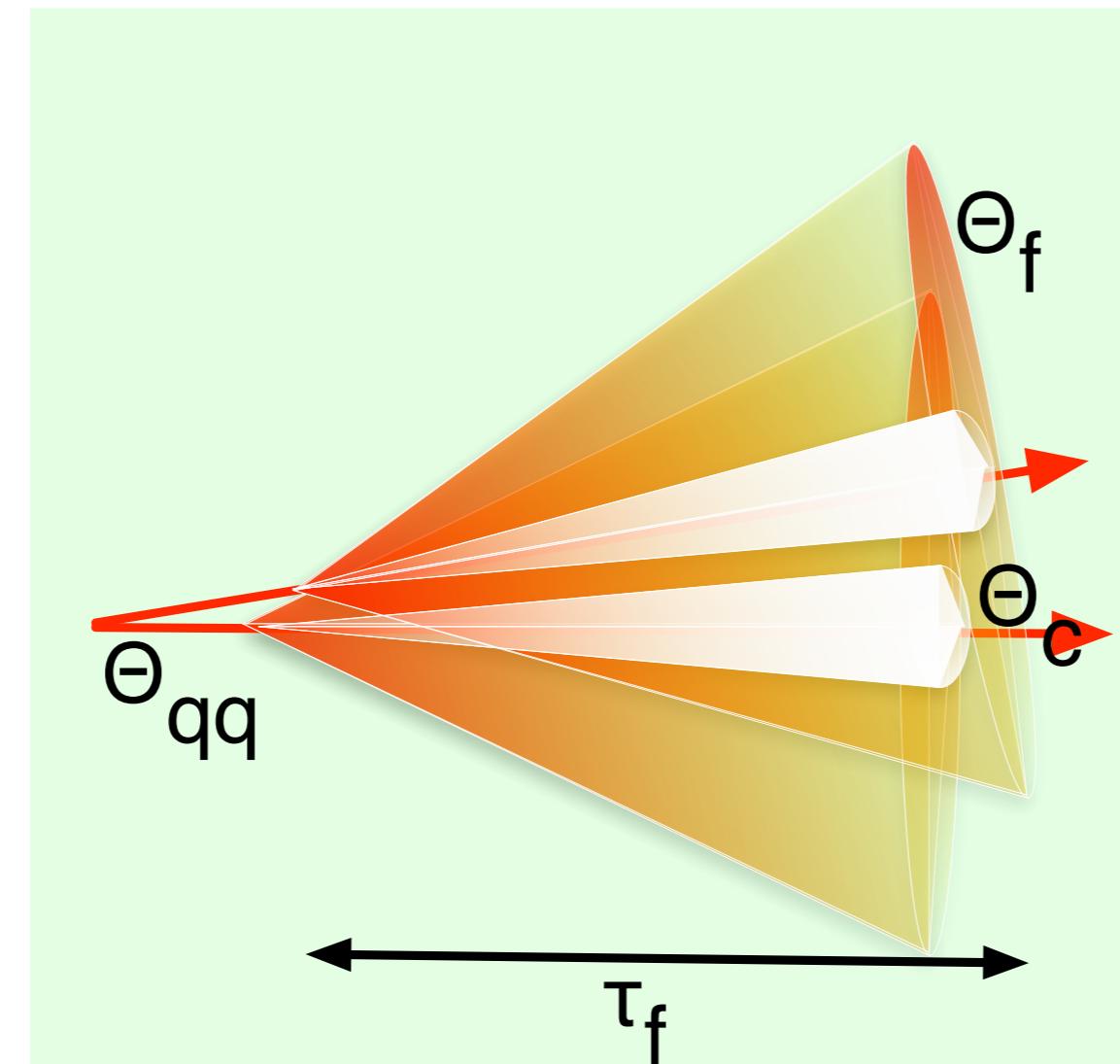
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- The  $q\bar{q}$  pair rotates color before emission. At

$$\tau_{coh} = \left( \frac{\theta_c}{\theta_{q\bar{q}}} \right)^{2/3} L$$

The color of each quark is randomized  $\Rightarrow$  No interference

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# Two Partons: Very Small Angles



- Interference is possible. Antenna color remains almost constant
- Interference occurs as in vacuum up to corrections  $\Theta_{qq}^2/\Theta_C^2$

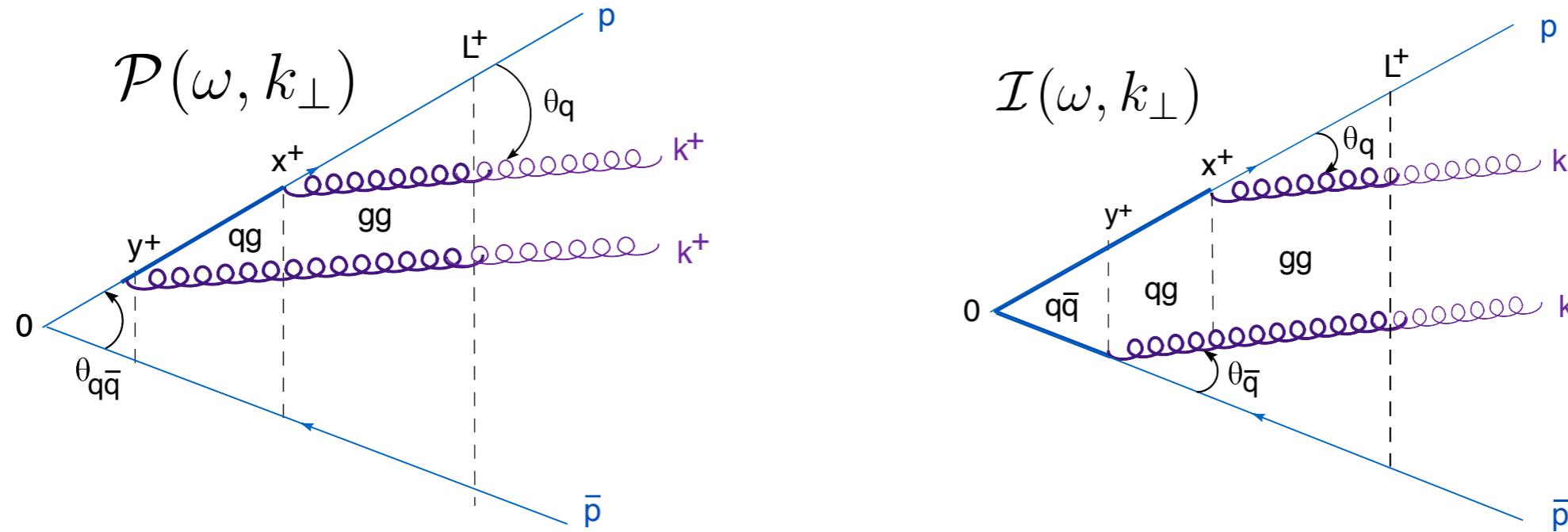
The dipole interacts as a single charge

- The corrections  $\Theta_{qq}^2/\Theta_C^2$  may lead to non-trivial distribution

Natural limit for connecting to the dilute limit

(Mehtar-Tani, Salgado, Tywoniuk 10)

# Summary



- Medium induced radiation scales with the medium  $L$

$$\mathcal{P}(\omega, k_\perp) \propto \alpha_s C_F \theta_f^2 L^+ \frac{\omega}{Q_s^2} \exp\left\{-\frac{(k_\perp - k^+ \mathbf{u}_L)^2}{Q_s^2}\right\}$$

- Large angles  $\Theta_f < \Theta_{qq}$  “vacuum medium” interference leads to:

(quantum coherence)  $\mathcal{R} = \frac{|\mathcal{I}|}{\mathcal{P}} = \frac{\tau_{int}}{L} < \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_c}\right)^{1/2}$  Interference is suppressed

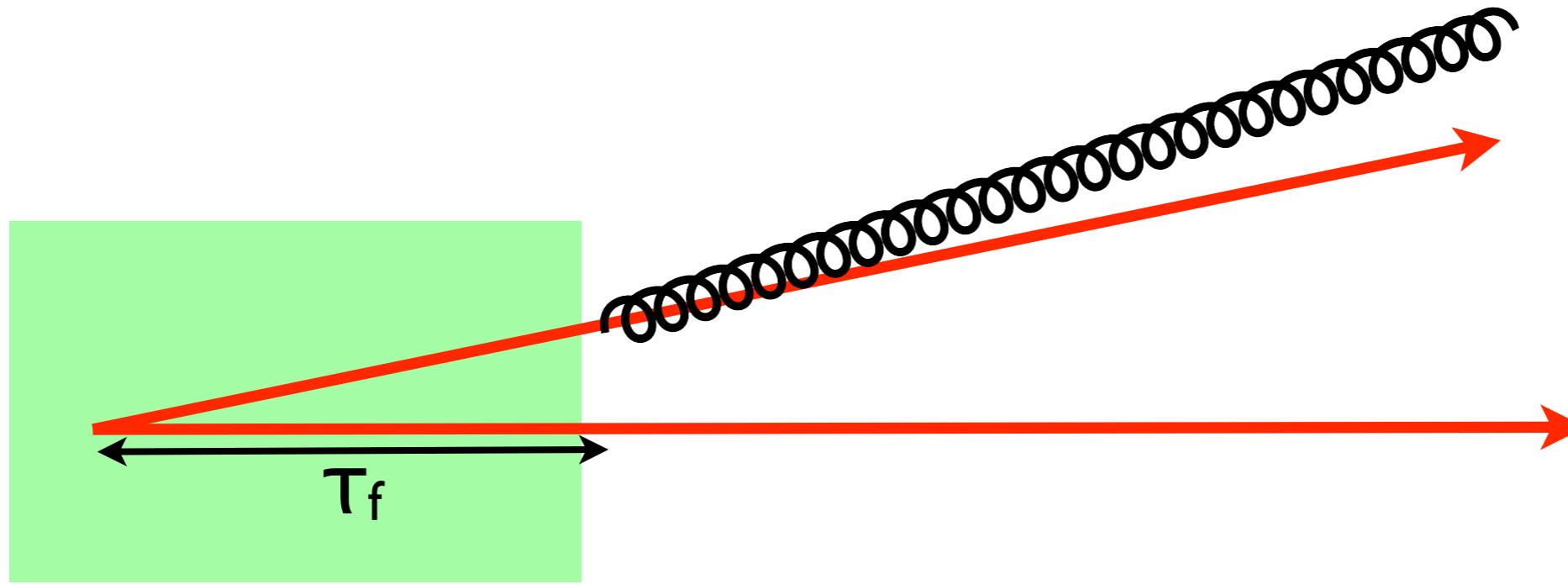
- Small angles  $\Theta_c \ll \Theta_{qq} < \Theta_f$  “medium-medium” interference :

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- Very small angles  $\Theta_{qq} < \Theta_c$  the medium interacts with the whole dipole charge

# Additional source of Radiation

(Mehtar-Tani, Salgado, Tywoniuk II)



- Very soft (or collinear) radiation has long formation time.
- For  $\tau_f \gg L$  most of the radiation happens outside the medium
- Dense medium  $\Rightarrow L \gg \tau_{coh} \Rightarrow$  color of sources are randomized
- The two quarks behave as independent sources!
  - Radiation at large angles is aloud
  - Extra emission, as compared to the vacuum

# Conclusions

- Unless  $\Theta_{qq}$  is very small  
Each source induces gluons independently from each other
- Typical sources for in-medium antennas
  - In-medium radiations  $\Rightarrow \Theta_{qq} \sim \theta_f$
  - Vacuum splittings (QCD evolution)  $\Rightarrow \Theta_{qq}$  takes any value but

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \hat{q} \sim 10 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm} \\ L \sim 6 \text{ fm} \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{l} \theta_c \sim 0.005 \\ \omega_c \sim 900 \text{ GeV} \end{array} \right)$$

**BDMPS-Z gluons are NOT angular ordered**

- In addition to BDMPS-Z gluons, color decoherence of the antenna leads to additional gluon radiation.
- These effects are important to understand the source for large angle emissions in heavy ions collisions.