

Solution to the BK equation in the saturation domain

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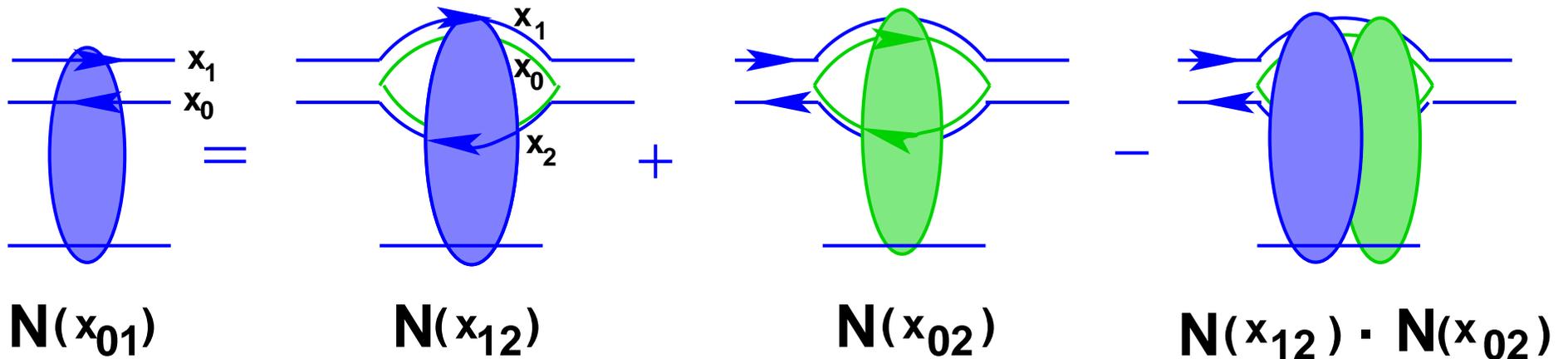
Goals:

- 1) Simple derivation of solution to BK equation in saturation domain.
- 2) Pitfalls in simplifications of the BFKL kernel in evolution equation.

Outline:

- **BK equation;**
- **Mixed Representation, Unitarity Bound and Geometrical Scaling;**
- **Semi-classical approach, Two solutions;**
- **General Approach;**
(Simplifications of the BFKL kernel in evolution equation may lead to wrong predictions about asymptotic behavior of the scattering amplitude)
- **Numerical check;**
(The new solution is solution of the non-linear homogeneous equation)
- **Conclusions;**

BK equation



$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial N(y, x_{01}, b)}{\partial y} &= \bar{\alpha}_S \int d^2 x_2 \frac{x_{01}^2}{x_{02}^2 x_{12}^2} \left(2N(y, x_{12}, b - \frac{1}{2}x_{02}) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - N(y, x_{01}, b) - N(y, x_{12}, b - \frac{1}{2}x_{02}) N(y, x_{02}, b - \frac{1}{2}x_{12}) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

The physical basis for two solutions

LT Solution comes from the region $r' \sim r \gg 1/Q_s$

\implies **BK** reduce to the linearized evolution equation

LK Solution comes from the region $1/Q_s \sim r' \ll r$

\implies **BK** reduce to nonlinear homogeneous equation

Mixed representation of BK equation

$$N(r, y; b) = r^2 \int_0^\infty k dk J_0(k r) \tilde{N}(k, y; b)$$

$$\tilde{N}(k, y; b) = \int_0^\infty \frac{dr}{r} J_0(k r) N(r, y; b)$$

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{N}(k, y; b)}{\partial y} = \bar{\alpha}_S \left(\chi(\hat{\gamma}(\xi)) \tilde{N}(k, y; b) - \tilde{N}^2(k, y; b) \right)$$

where

$$\chi(\hat{\gamma}) = 2\psi(1) - \psi(\hat{\gamma}) - \psi(1 - \hat{\gamma}) \quad \text{BFKL kernel}$$

and

$$\psi(\gamma) = \frac{d \ln \Gamma(\gamma)}{d\gamma}, \quad \Gamma(\gamma) - \text{Euler gamma function}$$

$$\hat{\gamma}(\xi) = 1 + \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi}, \quad \xi = \ln(k^2 R^2)$$

Unitarity Bound

Due to s -channel unitarity constraint:

$$N \leq 1 \quad \iff \quad \tilde{N} \leq \frac{1}{2}z:$$

Indeed,

$$\tilde{N}(k, y; b) = \int_0^\infty \frac{dr}{r} J_0(k r) N(r, y; b)$$

$$\tilde{N} \approx \int_0^{\frac{1}{k}} \frac{dr}{r} N(r, y; b)$$

$$N = 1 \quad \forall \quad r > 1/Q_s$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\ln(Q_s^2/k^2)} d \ln(1/r^2)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \ln(Q_s^2/k^2) = \frac{1}{2}z$$

Geometrical Scaling

- Geometrical scaling behavior of the scattering amplitude:

$$\tilde{N}(k, y; b) = \tilde{N}(z)$$

$$\hat{z} = \ln(Q_s^2(y, b)/k^2) = \bar{\alpha}_S \frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} (Y - Y_0) - \xi - \beta(b)$$

where

$$\gamma_{cr} : \quad \frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} = - \frac{d\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{d\gamma_{cr}}$$

- **BK equation in saturation:**

$$\bar{\alpha}_S \frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} \frac{d\tilde{N}(\hat{z})}{d\hat{z}} = \bar{\alpha}_S \left(\chi(1-f)\tilde{N}(\hat{z}) - \tilde{N}^2(\hat{z}) \right)$$

where

$$f \equiv d/d\hat{z} = -\partial/\partial\xi$$

- **We search solution for this equation in the form:**

$$\tilde{N}(\hat{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \int^{\hat{z}} dz' \left(1 - e^{-\phi(z')} \right)$$

Such $\tilde{N}(\hat{z})$ is satisfy two requirements:

- Includes geometrical scaling behaviour: $\tilde{N}(k, y; b) = \tilde{N}(z)$
- Leads to asymptotic behaviour: $\tilde{N} \longrightarrow \frac{1}{2} z$.

Semi-classical approach

- If ϕ is a smooth function: $\phi_{zz} \ll \phi_z \phi_z$

where $\phi_z \equiv d\phi/dz$ and $\phi_{zz} \equiv d^2\phi/(dz)^2$

then $\frac{d^n}{(dz)^n} e^{-\phi(z)} = (-\phi_z)^n e^{-\phi(z)}$

- BK equation in such approximation gets the form:

$$\frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} = \left(1 - e^{-\phi(\hat{z})}\right) - \frac{dL(\phi_z)}{d\phi_z} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2}$$

where $L(\phi_z) = \frac{\phi_z \chi(1 - \phi_z) - 1}{\phi_z}$

$\frac{dL(\phi_z)}{d\phi_z}$ has double pole singularities in all integer points: $\phi_z = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Two solutions

- Two analytical solutions of equation:

$$\frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} = \left(1 - e^{-\phi(\hat{z})}\right) - \frac{dL(\phi_z)}{d\phi_z} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2}$$

LT $\frac{dL(\phi_z)}{d\phi_z} \rightarrow 0$ and $e^{-\phi(\hat{z})} \rightarrow 0$

$$\frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} = 1 \implies \phi(\hat{z}) = \frac{1-\gamma_{cr}}{\chi(\gamma_{cr})} \frac{\hat{z}^2}{2}$$

LK $\frac{dL(\phi_z)}{d\phi_z} \rightarrow \frac{1}{(1-\phi_z)^2}$, $e^{-\phi(\hat{z})} \rightarrow 0$ and $\frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} \rightarrow 0$

$$\frac{1}{(1-\phi_z)^2} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} = 1 \implies \phi(\hat{z}) = \hat{z} - \ln \hat{z}$$

- Precision of the new solution is: $\Delta\phi \propto 1/z^2$

indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^n}{(dz)^n} e^{-\phi(z)} &= (-\phi_z)^n e^{-\phi(z)} \longrightarrow \\ \frac{d^n}{(dz)^n} e^{-\phi(z)} &= \left((-\phi_z)^n - n (-\phi_z)^{n-1} \phi_{zz} \right) e^{-\phi(z)} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} &= (1 - e^{-\phi(\hat{z})}) - \frac{dL(\phi_z)}{d\phi_z} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} \longrightarrow \\ \frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} &= (1 - e^{-\phi(\hat{z})}) - \frac{dL(\phi_z)}{d\phi_z} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} + \frac{d^2L(\phi_z)}{(d\phi_z)^2} \left(\frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{(1 - \phi_z)^2} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} &= 1 \longrightarrow \\ \frac{1}{(1 - \phi_z)^2} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} &= 1 + \frac{2}{(1 - \phi_{0,z})^3} \left(\frac{d^2\phi_0}{(d\hat{z})^2} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

thus

$$\frac{d\Delta\phi_z}{d\hat{z}} = \frac{2}{(1 - \phi_{0,z})} \left(\frac{d^2\phi_0}{(d\hat{z})^2} \right)^2 \rightarrow \frac{2}{\hat{z}^3} \implies \Delta\phi \propto 1/z^2$$

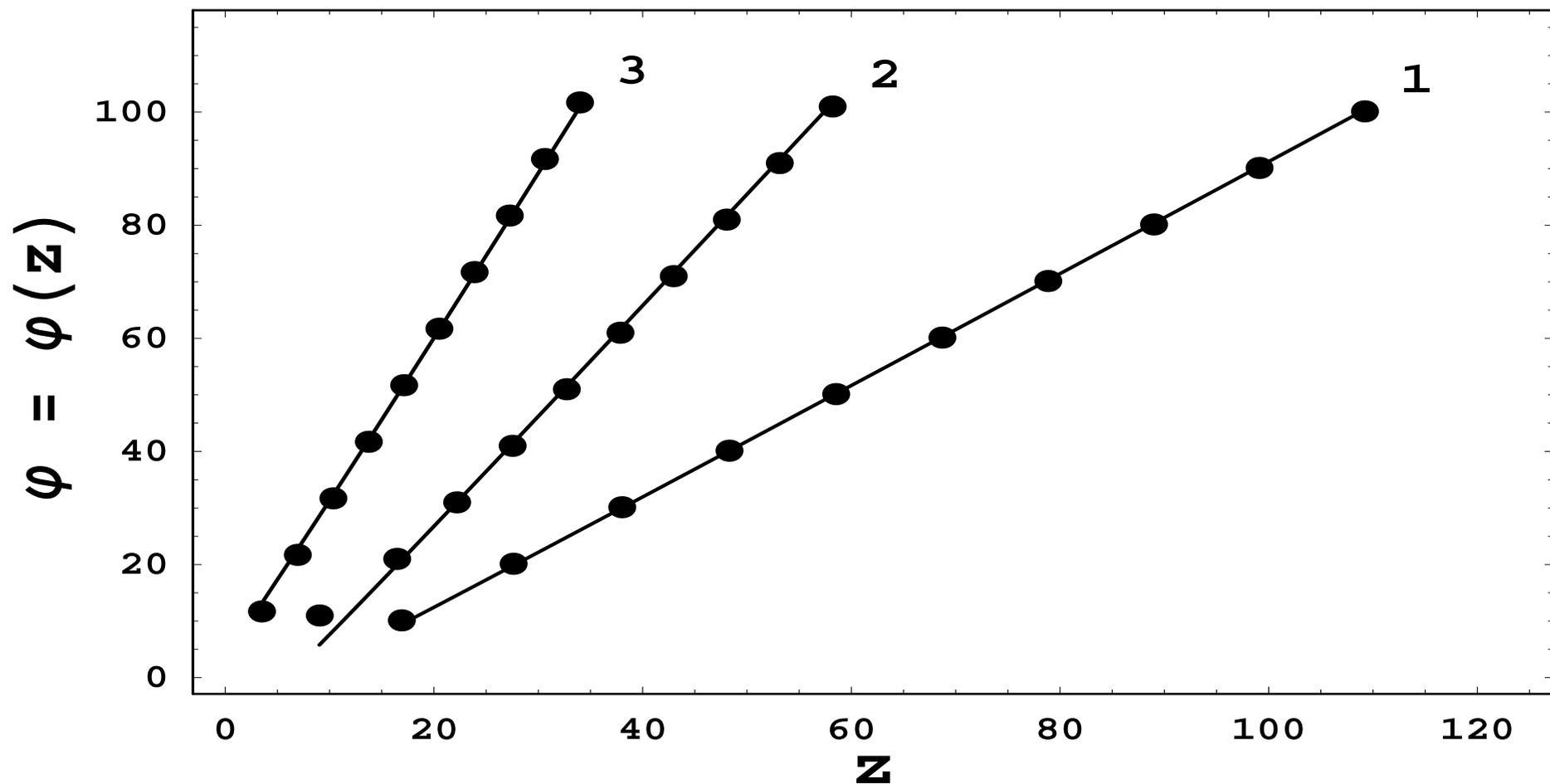
- **Numerical validation of the new solution:**

$$\frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2} = \left(1 - e^{-\phi(\hat{z})}\right) - \frac{dL(\phi_z)}{d\phi_z} \frac{d^2\phi}{(d\hat{z})^2}$$

Initial conditions for $\phi'_{z,0}$ and ϕ_0 :

1 $\frac{\frac{1}{2}(1-e^{-\phi_0})}{N_0} = 1 - \gamma_{cr}$

2 $\phi'_{z,0} e^{-\phi_0} = (1 - \gamma_{cr}) (1 - e^{-\phi_0})$



Points: The numerical solution as a function of the initial condition N_0 : 1, 2 and 3 correspond to $N_0 = 0.1, 0.5, 0.65$, respectively.

Lines: The asymptotic solution $\phi(z) = n z - \ln z + \ln \ln z$ with $n = 1, 2, 3$ for curves 1, 2, and 3, respectively.

General Approach

- Since at large z we BK equation can be linearized:

$$\tilde{N}(\hat{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \int^{\hat{z}} dz' \left(1 - e^{-\phi(z')} \right) \approx 1 - e^{-\phi_1} - e^{-\phi_2}$$

where $\phi_1 = \frac{\hat{z}^2}{2}$ and $\phi_2 = \hat{z} - \ln \hat{z}$

- Denoting $e^{-\phi}$ by $S(r, Y; b)$ we obtain the following equation for S from BK equation:

$$-\frac{\partial S(r, Y; b)}{\partial Y} = \bar{\alpha}_S \int \frac{d^2 r' r^2}{(r - r')^2 r'^2} \left[S(r, Y; b) - S(r', Y; b - \frac{1}{2}(r - r')) S(r - r', Y; b - \frac{1}{2}r') \right]$$

First Solution (LT) $r' \sim r \gg 1/Q_s$

In this region $S \ll 1 \implies S^2 \approx 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial S(r, Y; b)}{\partial Y} &= -\bar{\alpha}_S \int_{1/Q_s^2}^{r^2} \frac{dr'^2 r^2}{|r^2 - r'^2| r'^2} S(r, Y; b) \\ &= -\bar{\alpha}_S \ln(Q_s^2 r^2) S(r, Y; b) \end{aligned}$$

If $z = \ln(Q_s^2(Y; b) r^2)$

$$\implies \frac{\chi(1-\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} \frac{dS(z)}{dz} = -z S(z)$$

$$\implies S(z) = \exp\left(-\frac{1-\gamma_{cr}}{\chi(1-\gamma_{cr})} \frac{z^2}{2}\right)$$

Second Solution (LK) $1/Q_s \approx |r - r'|$ or $r' \ll r$

In this region $S(r - r', Y, b) \approx 1$

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\partial S(r, Y)}{\partial Y} &= \bar{\alpha}_S \int \frac{d^2 r' r^2}{(r - r')^2 r'^2} \left(S(r, Y) - 2S(r', Y) \Big|_{|r - r'| \ll r} \right) \\ &= \bar{\alpha}_S \int \frac{d^2 r' r^2}{(r - r')^2 r'^2} \left(S(r, Y) + \{S(r, Y) - 2S(r', Y)\}_{BFKL} \right) \end{aligned}$$

If $z = \ln(Q_s^2(Y; b) r^2)$

$$\implies \frac{\chi(1 - \gamma_{cr})}{1 - \gamma_{cr}} \frac{dS(z)}{dz} = zS(z) + \frac{1}{1 - \phi'_z} S(z)$$

where $S(z) = e^{-\phi(z)}$

$$\frac{\chi(1-\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}} \frac{dS(z)}{dz} = z S(z) + \frac{1}{1-\phi'_z} S(z)$$

$$\phi'_z^{(\pm)} = \frac{1}{2C} \left(z + C \pm \sqrt{(z + C)^2 + 4C(1 - z)} \right)$$

where $C = \frac{\chi(\gamma_{cr})}{1-\gamma_{cr}}$

At large z:

- $\phi'_z^{(+)} \longrightarrow \frac{z}{C}$
 $S_1(z) \equiv e^{-\phi_1} = e^{-\int^z dz' \phi'_z^{(+)}(z')} = \exp\left(-\frac{z^2}{2C}\right)$
- $\phi'_z^{(-)} \longrightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{z}$
 $S_2(z) \equiv e^{-\phi_2} = e^{-\int^z dz' \phi'_z^{(-)}(z')} = z \exp(-z)$

Numerical check of the new solution

Motivations:

- The analytical consideration is correct only for large $z \gg 1$.
- Matching between negative z and large but positive z is still out of theoretical control.
- Singularities of the BFKL kernel give essential contributions, which are missing in simplified models.

- BK equation in momentum representation (without b dependence):**

$$\frac{\partial N(y, q)}{\partial y} = \bar{\alpha}_S \left(\frac{1}{\pi} \int \frac{d^2 q'}{(q - q')^2} \left[N(y, q') - \frac{q^2}{q'^2 + (q - q')^2} N(y, q) \right] - N^2(y, q) \right)$$

or after integration by angles:

$$\frac{\partial N(y, q)}{\partial y} = \bar{\alpha}_S \left\{ \int_0^\infty dq'^2 \left[\frac{N(y, q'^2)}{|q'^2 - q^2|} - \frac{q^2}{q'^2} \cdot \frac{N(y, q^2)}{|q'^2 - q^2|} + \frac{q^2}{q'^2} \cdot \frac{N(y, q^2)}{\sqrt{4q'^4 + q^4}} \right] - N^2(y, q^2) \right\}$$

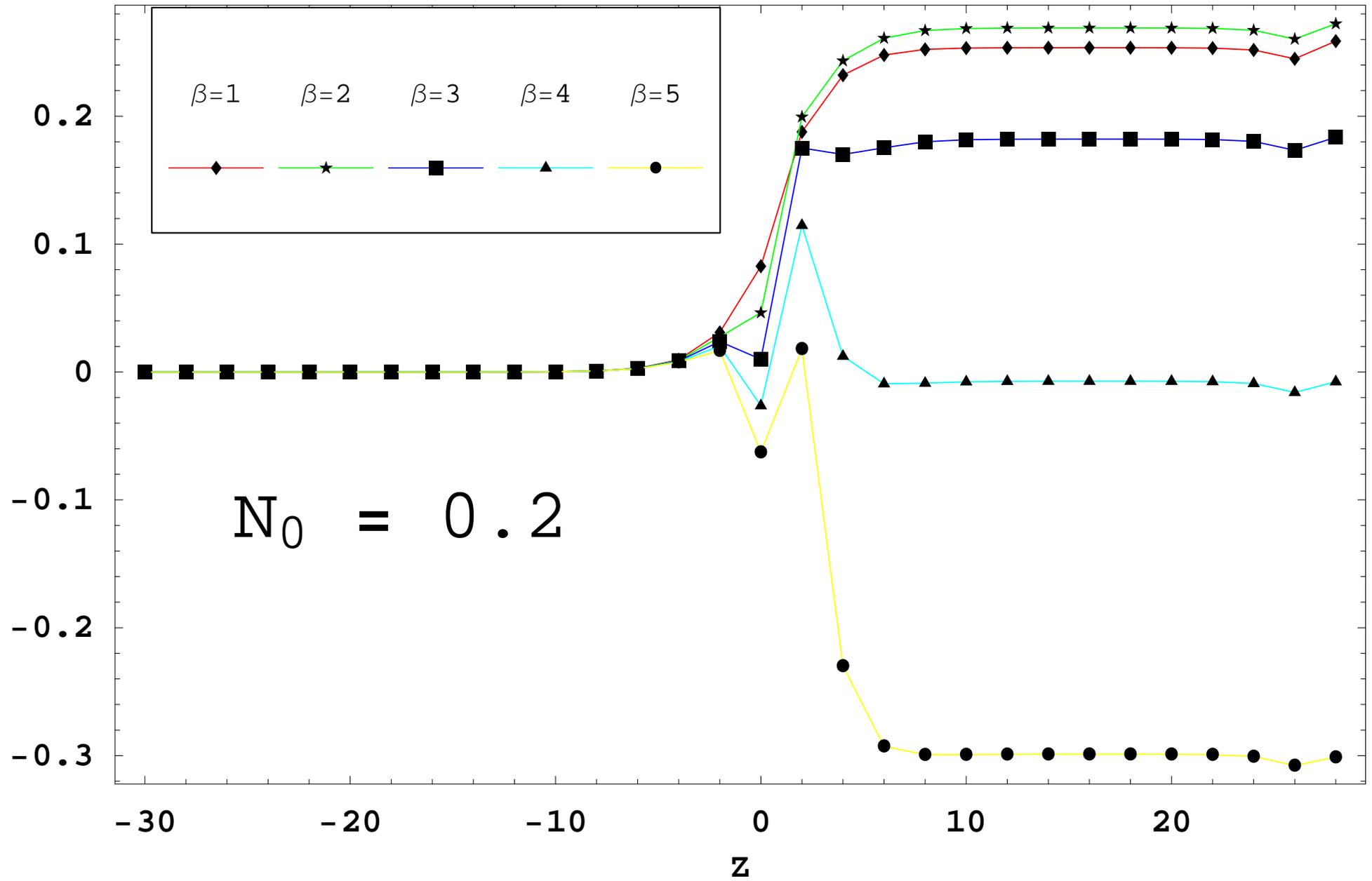
$$N(y, q) \longrightarrow N(z)$$

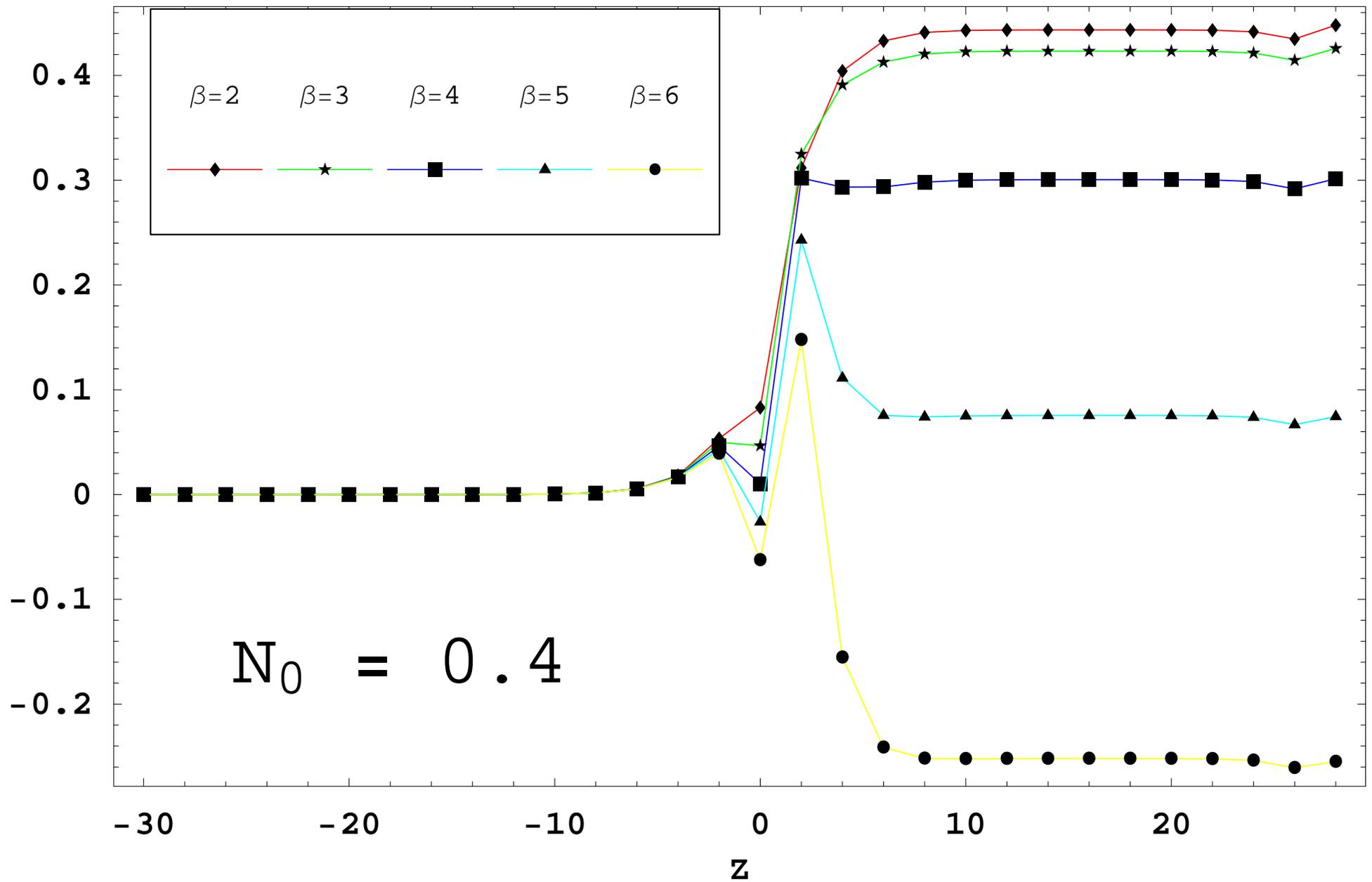
$$\frac{\partial N(z)}{\partial z} = \frac{1 - \gamma_{cr}}{\chi(\gamma_{cr})} \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^\infty dz' \left[\frac{N(z') \cdot e^{-z'}}{|e^{-z'} - e^{-z}|} - \frac{N(z) \cdot e^{-z}}{|e^{-z'} - e^{-z}|} + \frac{N(z) \cdot e^{-z}}{\sqrt{(2e^{-z'})^2 + (e^{-z})^2}} \right] - N^2(z) \right\}$$

- **Solution to homogeneous equation:**

$$0 = \frac{1-\gamma_{cr}}{\chi(\gamma_{cr})} \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz' \left[\frac{N(z') \cdot e^{-z'}}{|e^{-z'} - e^{-z}|} - \frac{N(z) \cdot e^{-z}}{|e^{-z'} - e^{-z}|} + \frac{N(z) \cdot e^{-z}}{\sqrt{(2e^{-z'})^2 + (e^{-z})^2}} \right] - N^2(z) \right\}$$

$$N(z) = \begin{cases} N_0 e^{(1-\gamma_{cr})z} & z < 0 ; \\ N_0 + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^z \left(1 - e^{-\left(z' - \log \left[z' + \frac{1-2N_0(1-\gamma_{cr})}{\beta} \right] \right)} \right) dz' & z > 0; \end{cases}$$





Conclusions:

- We found that the BK homogeneous equation has a solution ;
- This solution gives the approaching to asymptotic behavior since we assume the geometrical scalling, which says that the only characteristic transverse momentum is Q_S ;
- This solution is determined by the singularities of the BFKL kernel ;
- We should be very careful approximating the full BK equation, by the simplified model of the BFKL kernel (diffusion approximation) ;