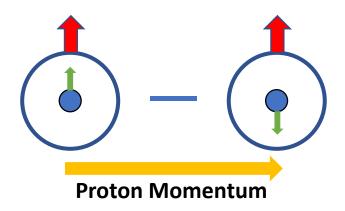


Azimuthal Transverse Single-Spin Asymmetries of Charged Pions Within Jets from Polarized pp Collisions at  $\sqrt{s}$  = 200 GeV

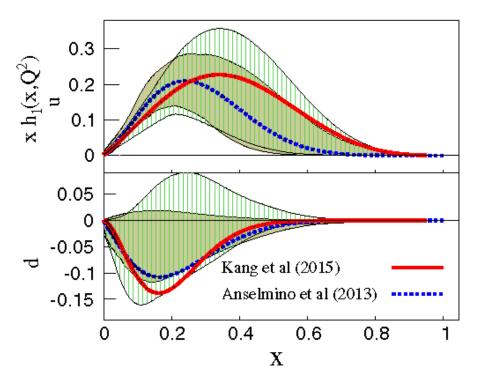
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## Transversity



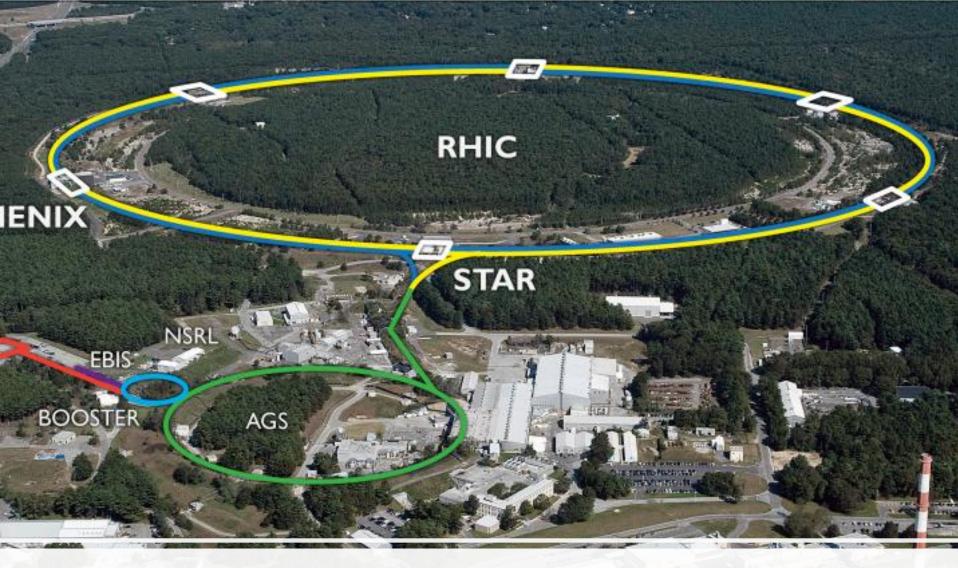
- Transversity is very important for complete understanding of the nucleon spin structure
- Quark polarization along spin of a transversely polarized proton
  - Chiral odd
- Requires another chiral odd distribution
  - Collins FF: correlates initial state quark spin to final state hadron within the jets;
  - Interference fragmentation function (IFF): correlates quark polarization to azimuthal distribution of final state hadron pairs.

## Transversity



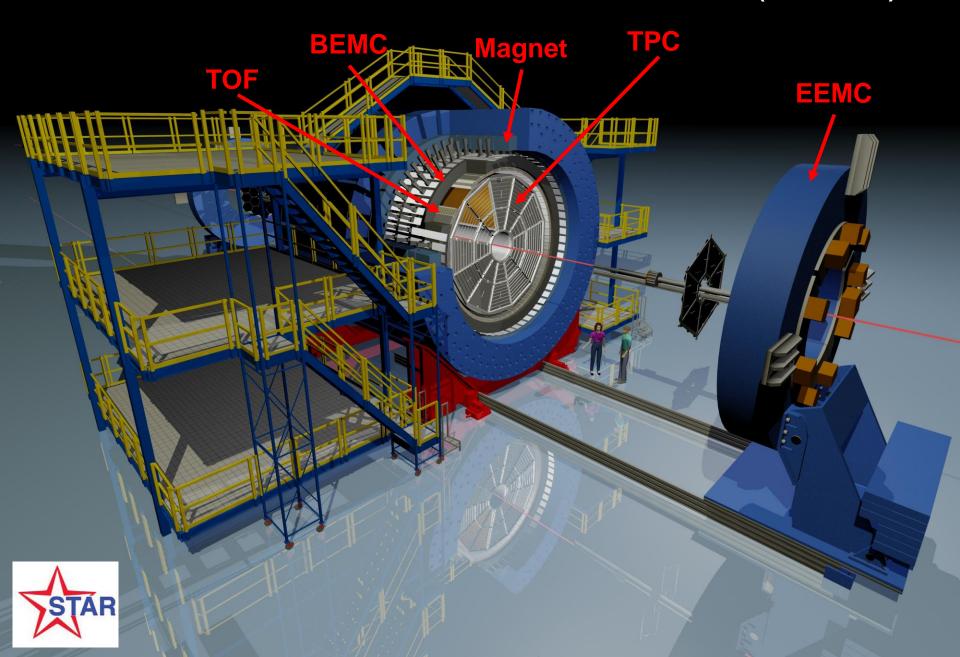
 Before STAR, only observed in SIDIS combined with e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>

- Several recent global analyses including:
  - Collins effect input:
    - PRD 93, 014009
    - PRD 92, 114023
  - IFF input:
    - PRD 94, 034012
  - All show large uncertainties

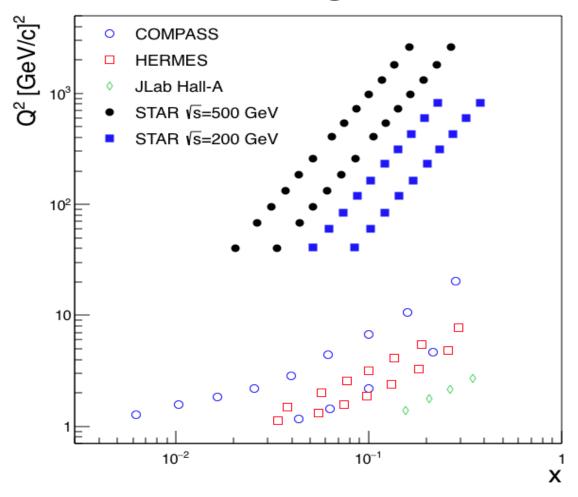


Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider

# The Solenoidal Tracker At RHIC (STAR)



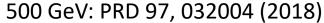
## Kinematic Coverage

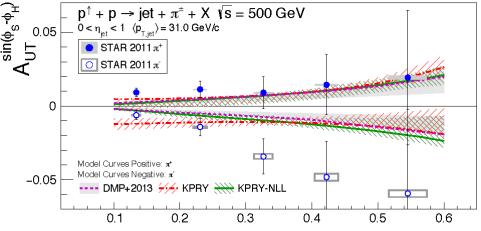


- STAR covers a similar range in x to that of SIDIS results
- Much higher in  $Q^2$

# Collins Asymmetry from STAR

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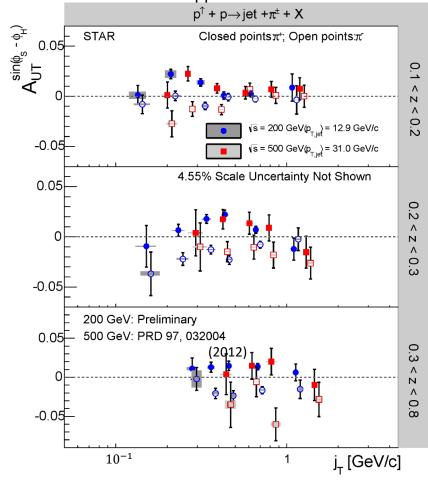




 First Collins effect measurements in pp collisions are reasonably described by two recent calculations that convolute the transversity distribution from SIDIS with the Collins FF from e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collisions

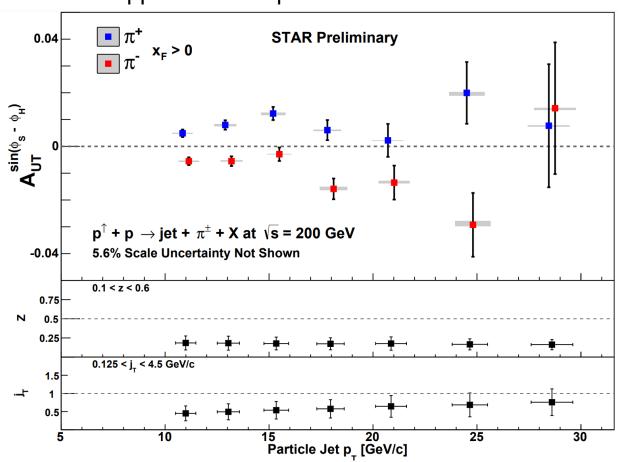
• Both 200 and 500 GeV pp results hint that the asymmetry peak shifts to higher  $j_T$  as z increases

#### Spin2018: 2012 pp200GeV 2011 pp500GeV



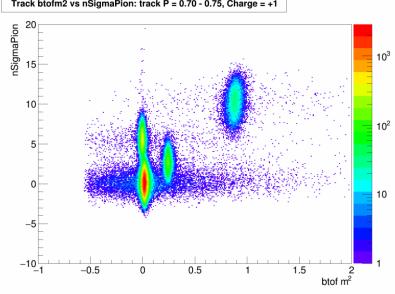
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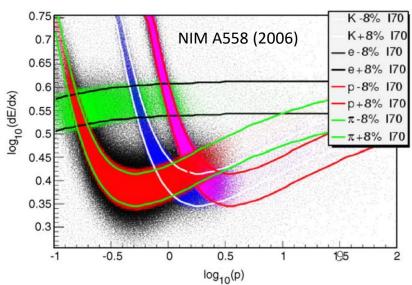
2012 pp200 GeV: Spin2014



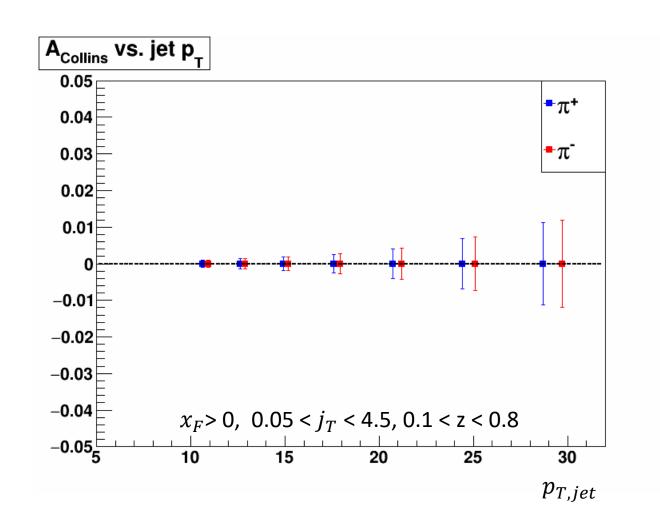
# 2015 Collins Analysis at STAR

- $52pb^{-1}$  transverse polarized p+p data at  $\sqrt{s}$  = 200 GeV, twice as 2012;
- 57% averaged beam polarization;
- Particle identification from TPC and TOF;
- Underlying event contamination will be considered;
- Increased statistics will enable more multi-dimensional binning of the asymmetries

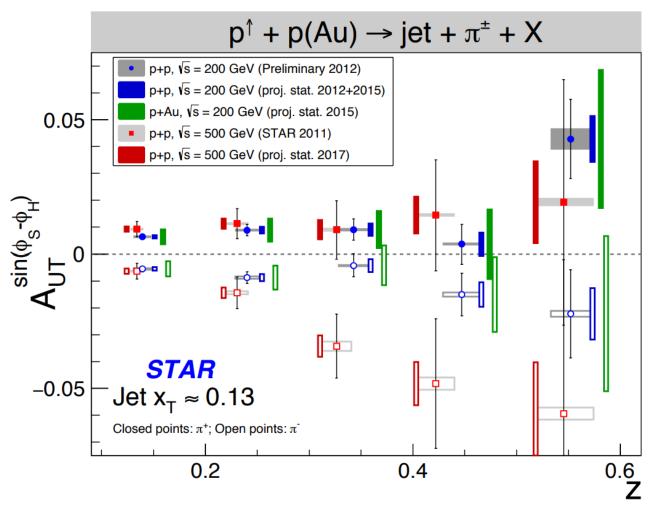




#### Projected 2015 Statistical Uncertainties



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Data under analysis from 200 GeV p+Au and 510 GeV pp

#### Conclusion

• RHIC is the world's only polarized collider, with unique opportunities for transverse-spin physics;

 STAR has recently released some exciting results and has a huge amount of spin data under analysis;

 2015 transverse analysis is ongoing and will provide the most precise measurements of transversity and the Collins effect in 200 GeV pp collisions.