


Recent Spin Results from STAR

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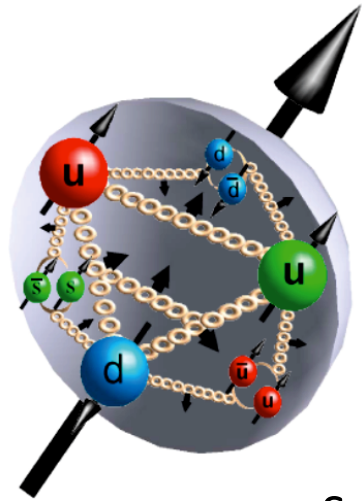
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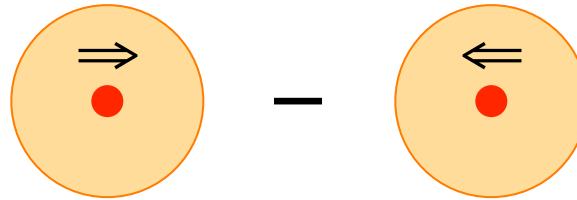
Contributions to Proton Spin Structure



Consider proton moving right

Proton spin-polarization \Rightarrow

$\Delta q(x)$
 $\Delta g(x)$



Polarized DIS: ~ 0.3

coming into focus:

$$\int_{0.05}^{0.2} \Delta g(x) dx = 0.1 \pm_{0.07}^{0.06}$$

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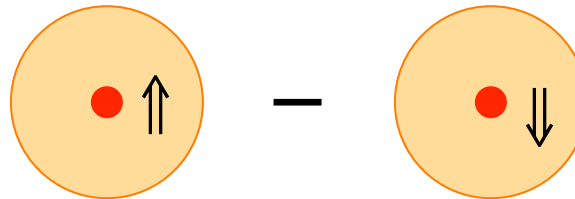
Spin sum rule: $\langle S_z^p \rangle = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma + \Delta G + \langle L_z \rangle$

★ STAR spin program:
Exploring less-constrained components of the proton

Proton spin-polarization \Uparrow

poorly constrained

$h_1(x)$

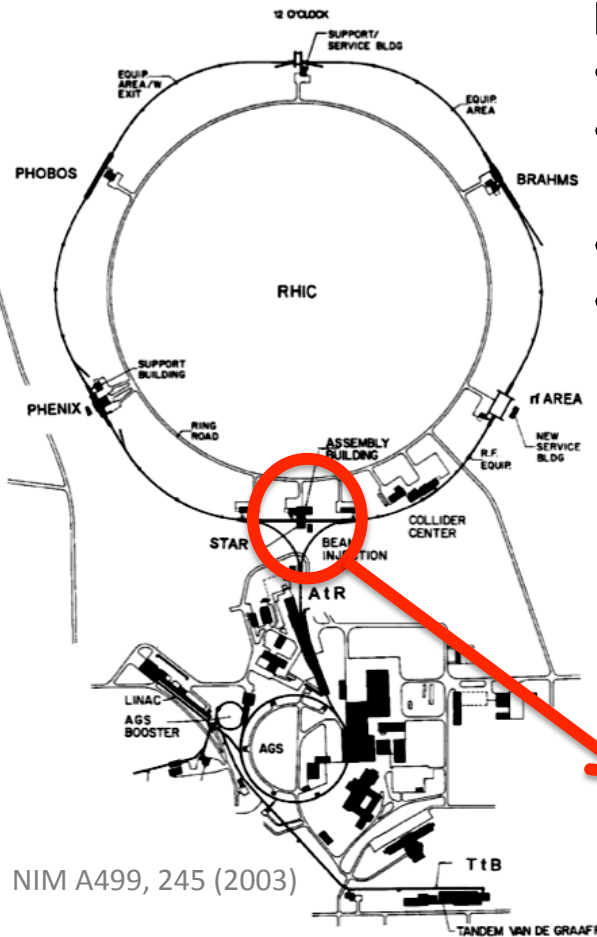


Transversity – data over limited kinematic range: $x_{Bj} \leq 0.3$

Solenoidal Tracker at RHIC

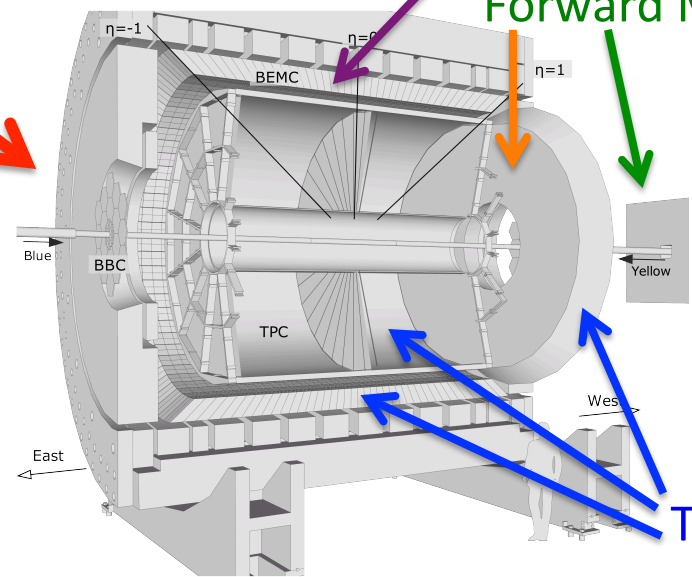
RHIC as Spin Collider

- “Siberian Snakes” → mitigate depolarization resonances
- Spin rotators provide choice of spin orientation
independent of experiment
- Spin direction varies bucket-to-bucket (9.4 MHz)
- Spin pattern varies fill-to-fill



NIM A499, 245 (2003)

Inclusive hadron measurements:
Barrel E/M Calorimeter (BEMC),
Endcap E/M Calorimeter (EEMC),
Forward Meson Spectrometer (FMS)
FPD (east) not shown



Jet, di-hadron, W, and hyperon measurements:
TPC + Barrel + Endcap EMC

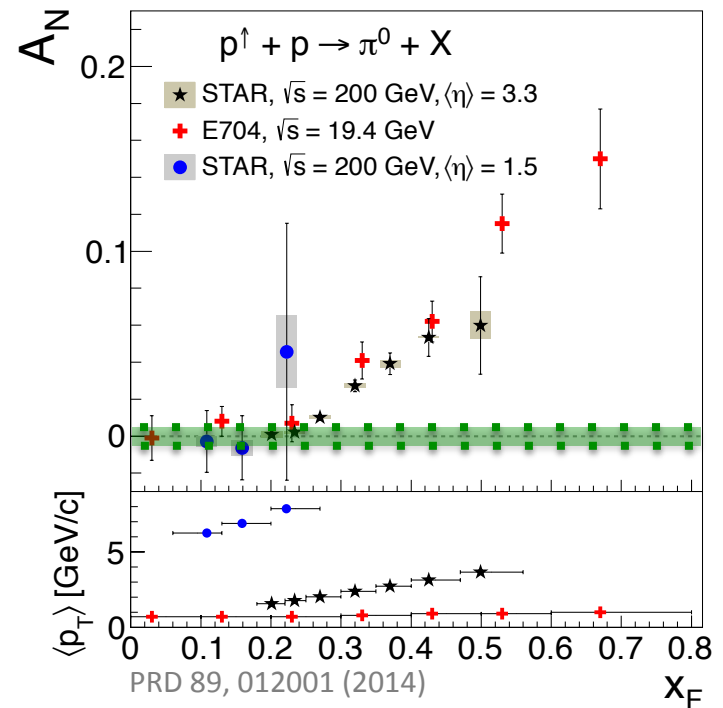
Transverse Single-spin Asymmetries from Inclusive Hadrons

$$A_N = \frac{d\sigma^\uparrow - d\sigma^\downarrow}{d\sigma^\uparrow + d\sigma^\downarrow}$$

$d\sigma^{\uparrow(\downarrow)}$ – cross section for *leftward* scattering when beam polarization is spin-up(down)

Collinear pQCD at leading twist predicts very small A_N

Kane, Pumplin, Repko, PRL 41, 1689 (1978)



Sizeable A_N at forward pseudorapidity measured across a large range of \sqrt{s}

Measurements at RHIC in region where

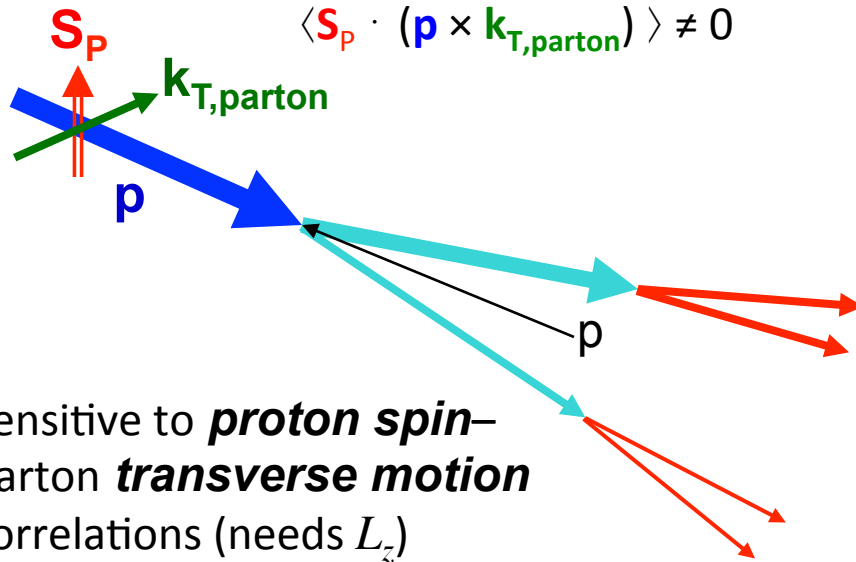
NLO pQCD cross-section provides a reasonable description of the data

→ Go beyond collinear pQCD at leading twist

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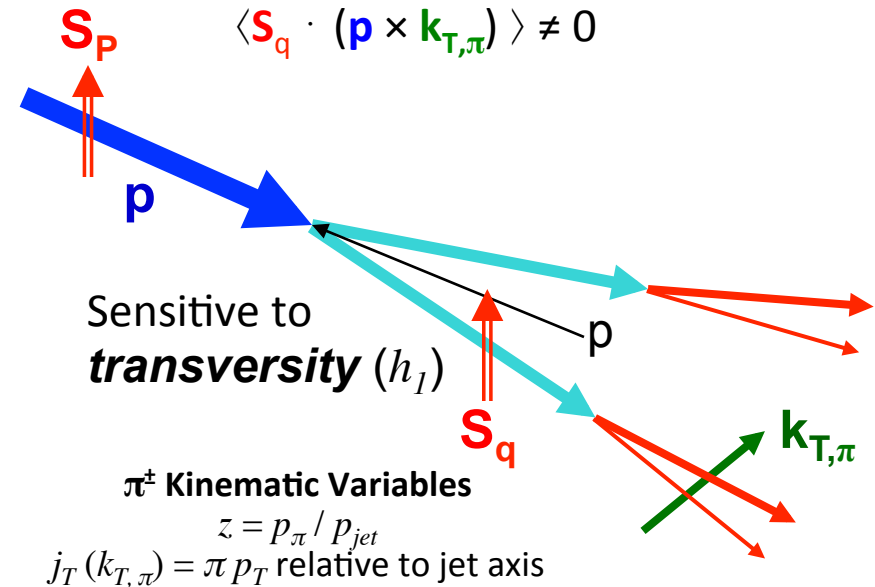
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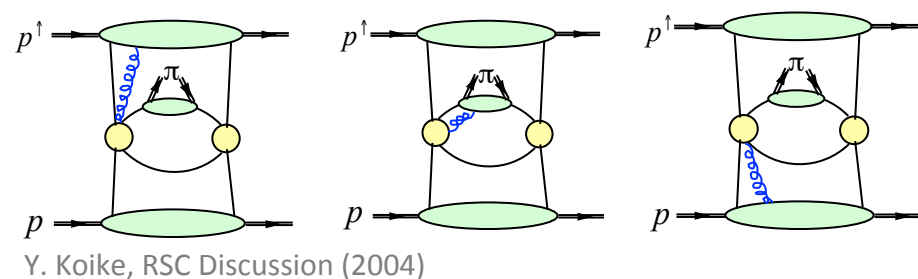


Twist-3 mechanism: Asymmetry from multi-parton correlation functions

e.g. Qiu and Sterman, PRL 67, 2264 (1991); PRD 59, 014004 (1998)

Correlators closely related to k_T moments of TMD's

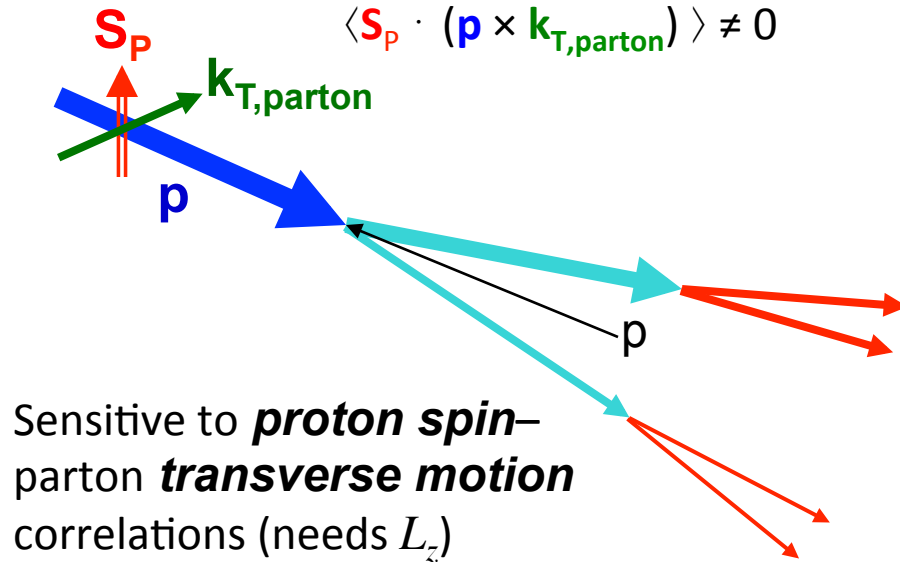
Boer, Mulders, Pijlman, NPB 667, 201 (2003)



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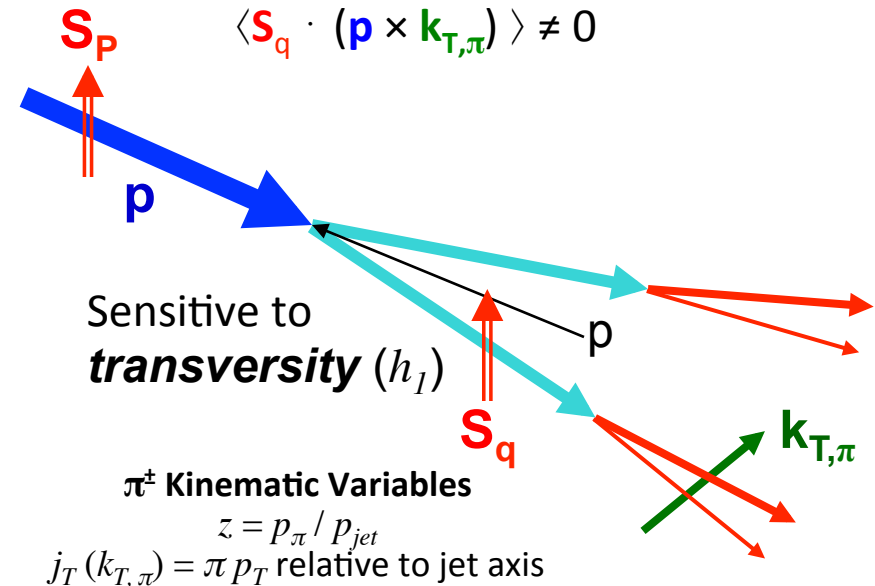
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Inclusive hadron asymmetries:

Unable to isolate contributions

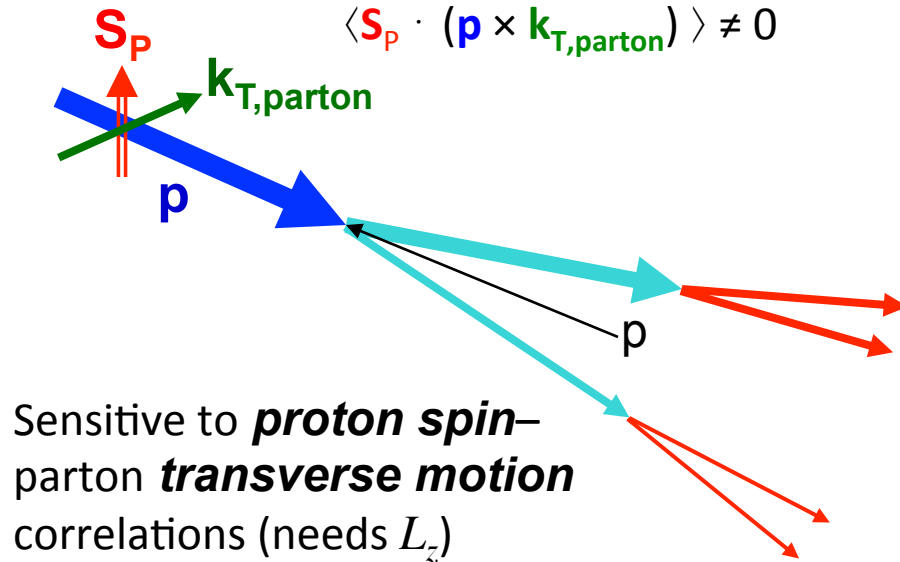
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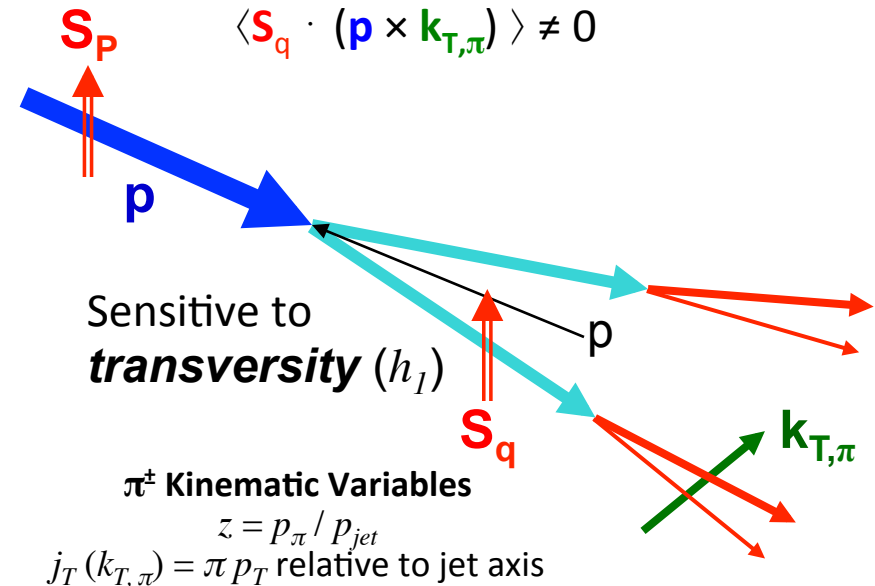
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Separate Sivers and Collins:

Go beyond inclusive production - *e.g. Jets, correlations, direct photons*

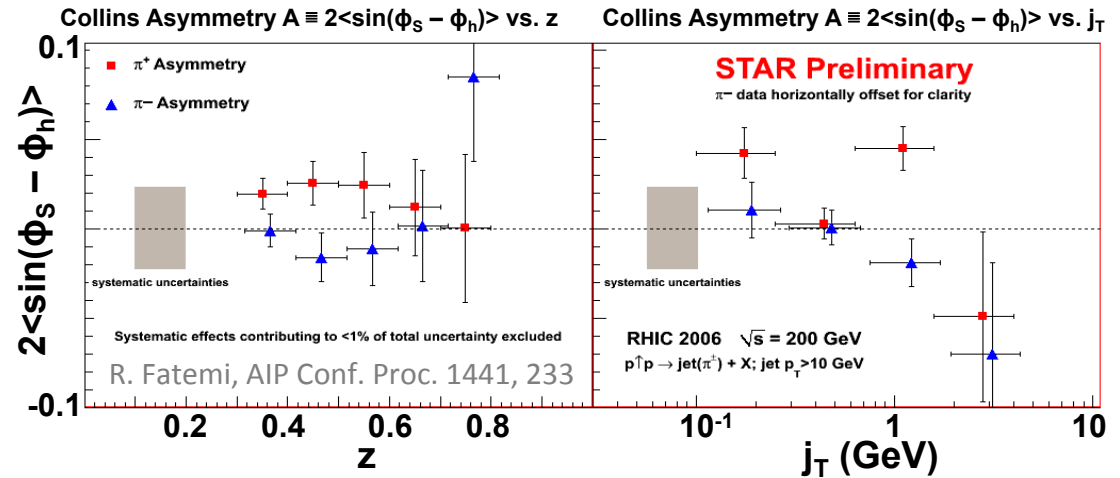
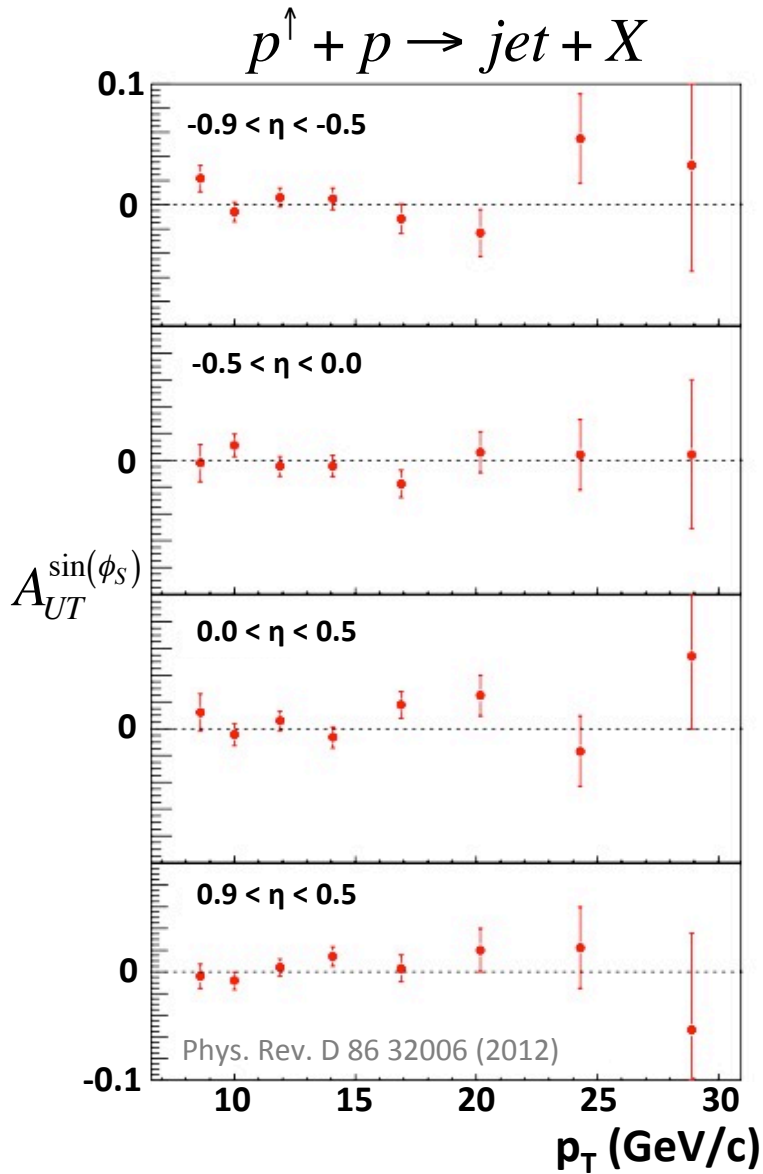
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ϕ_S —angle between spin and event plane

ϕ_h —angle of hadron around jet axis

STAR Transverse Asymmetries from Jet Production



STAR measured transverse single-spin asymmetries for inclusive jet production at central pseudorapidity and $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV (2006)

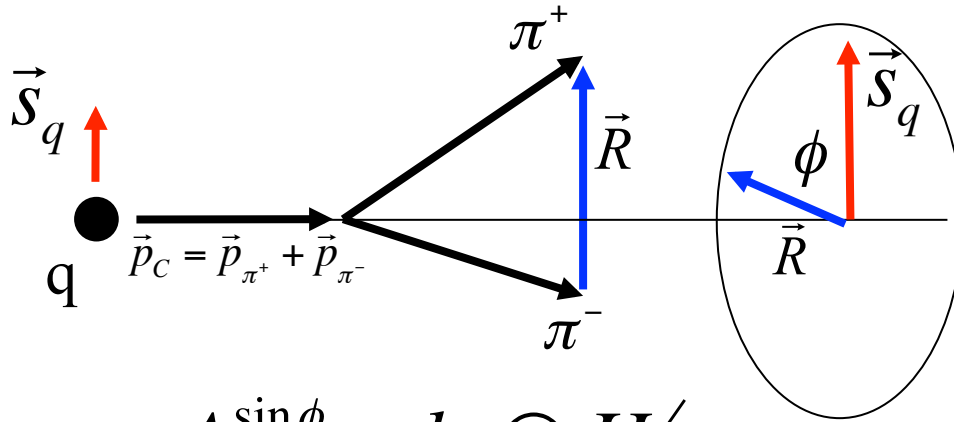
$A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_S)}$: consistent with zero

$A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_S - \phi_h)}$: hints of non-zero asymmetry with charge-sign dependence

Similarly, di-jet at central pseudorapidity and 200 GeV consistent with zero

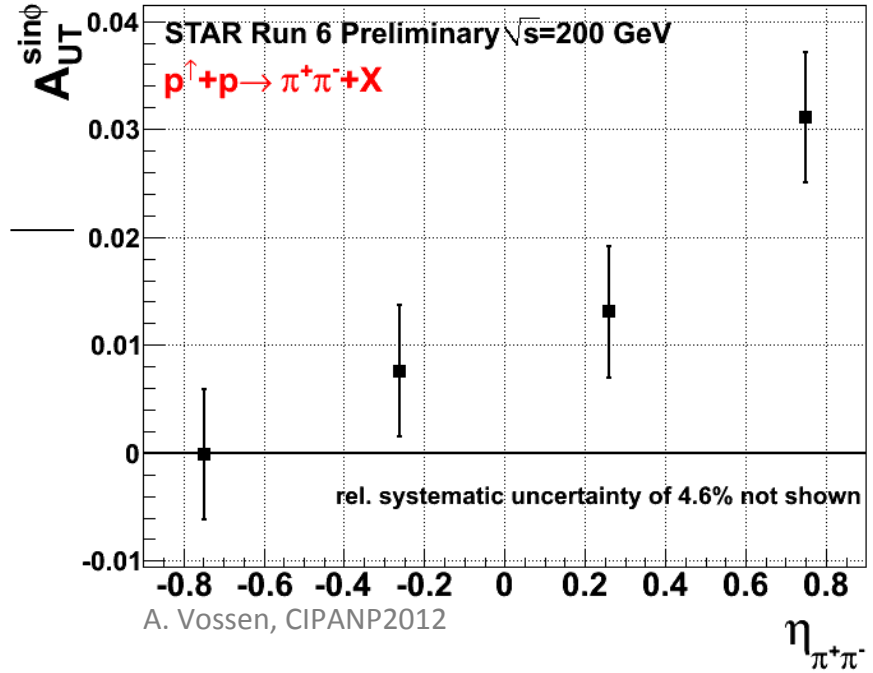
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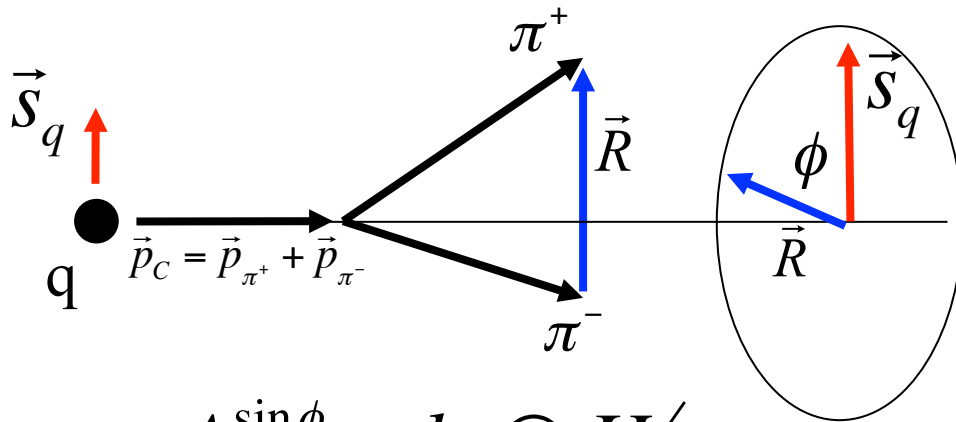
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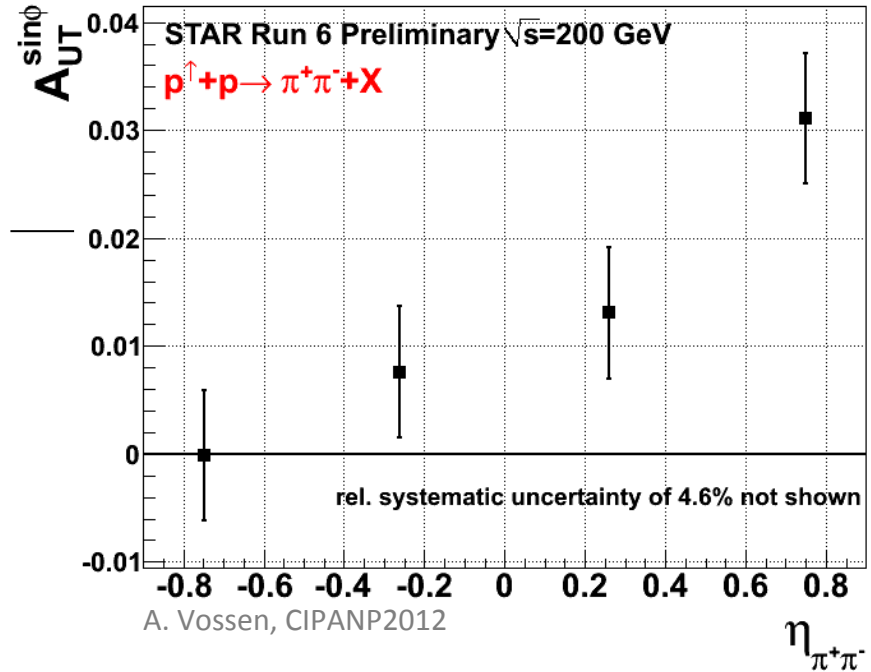
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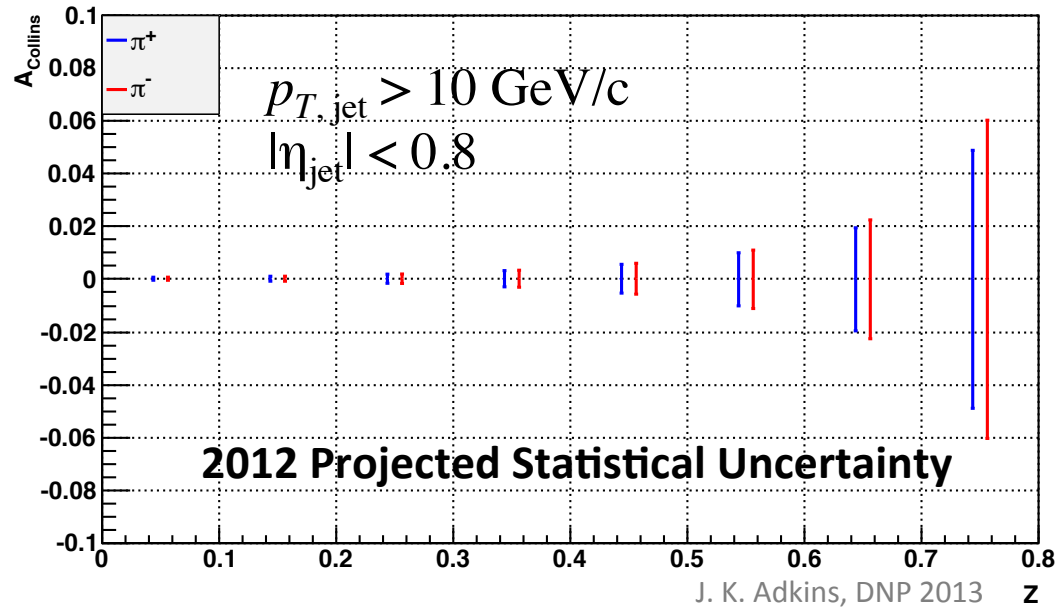
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Non-zero Collins + Di-hadron Asymmetries

→ Access to transversity in $p+p$!

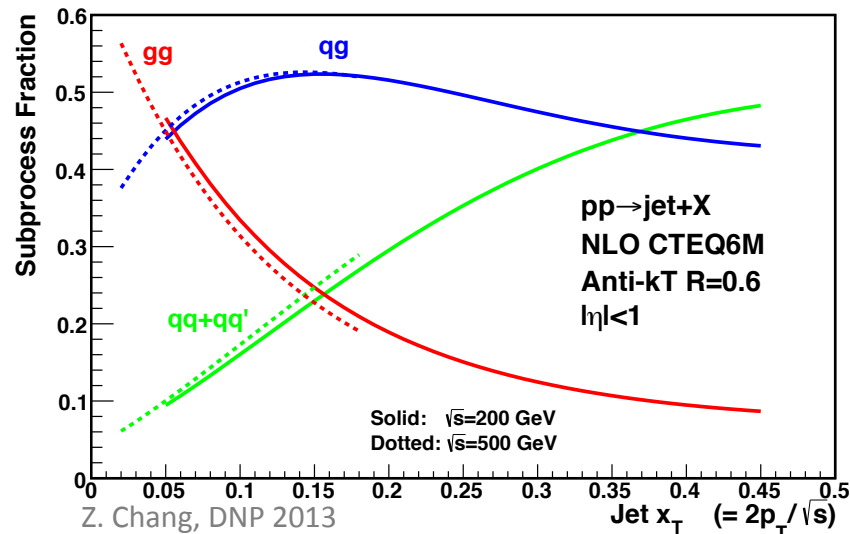
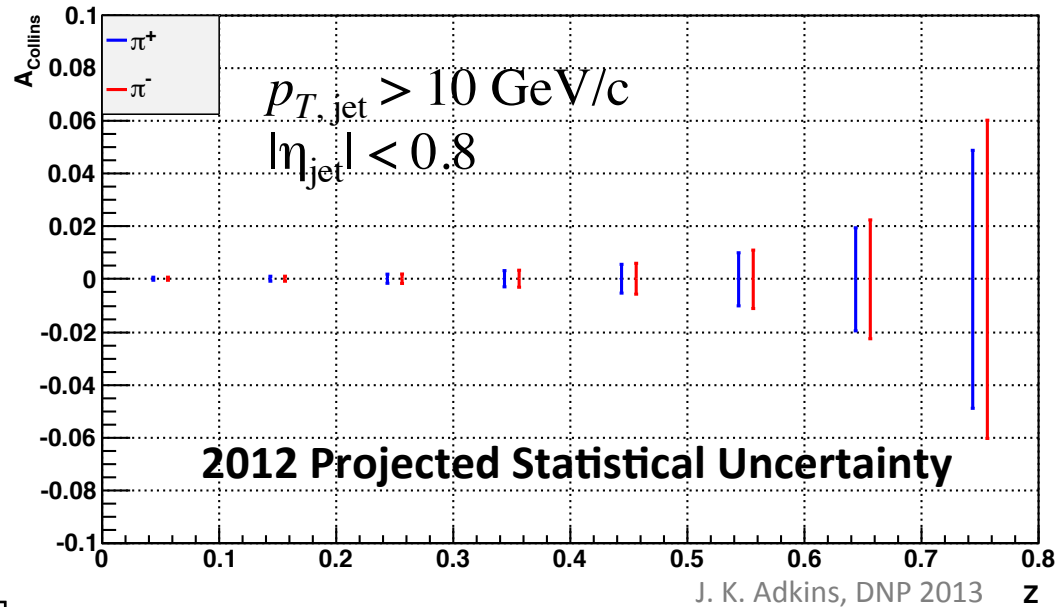
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2011 STAR data provide opportunity for first measurements of **central pseudorapidity inclusive jet asymmetries** at $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV
 \rightarrow Increased sensitivity to gluonic subprocesses

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Various contributions to polarized $jet+\pi$ cross section (TMD approach)

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Negligible under *maximized* scenario!

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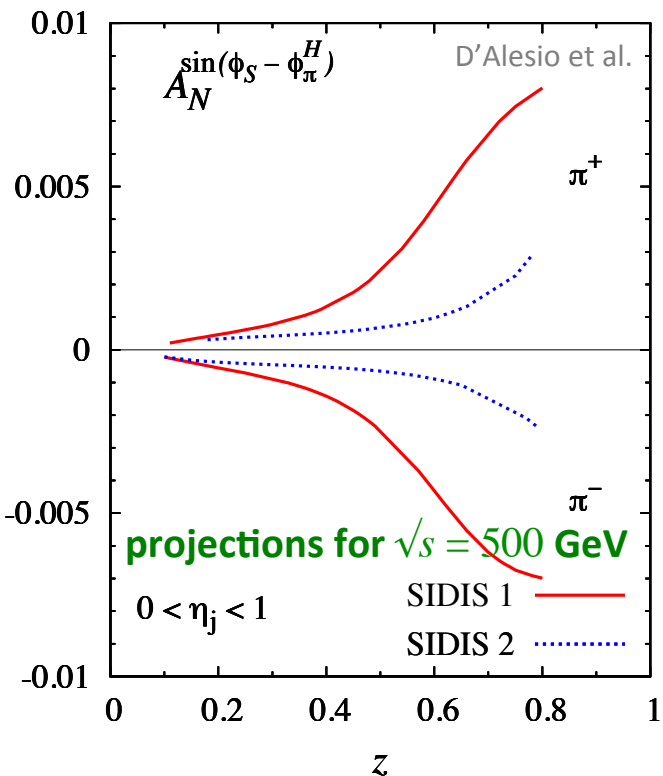
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Possible non-zero contributions,
expected to be quite small

e.g. Phys. Rev. Lett 99, 142003 (2007);
Phys. Rev. D 86, 032006 (2012);
Phys. Lett. B 720, 161 (2013)



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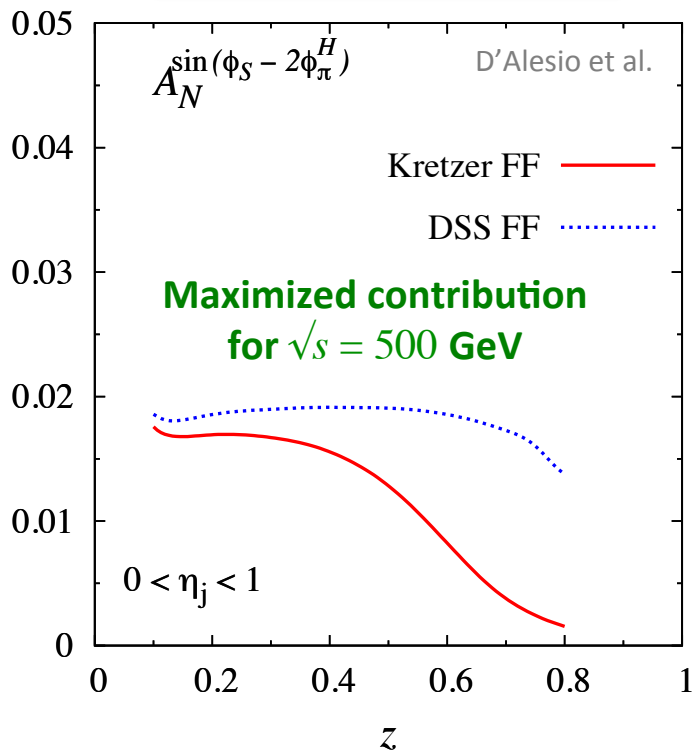
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“Collins-like” asymmetry:
Sensitive to linearly polarized gluons
Completely unconstrained!

Gluon helicity density matrix

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + P_{circ} & -P_{lin} e^{-2i\phi} \\ -P_{lin} e^{2i\phi} & 1 - P_{circ} \end{pmatrix}$$

Off-diagonal terms related to linear polarization in (xy) plane at angle ϕ to x-axis

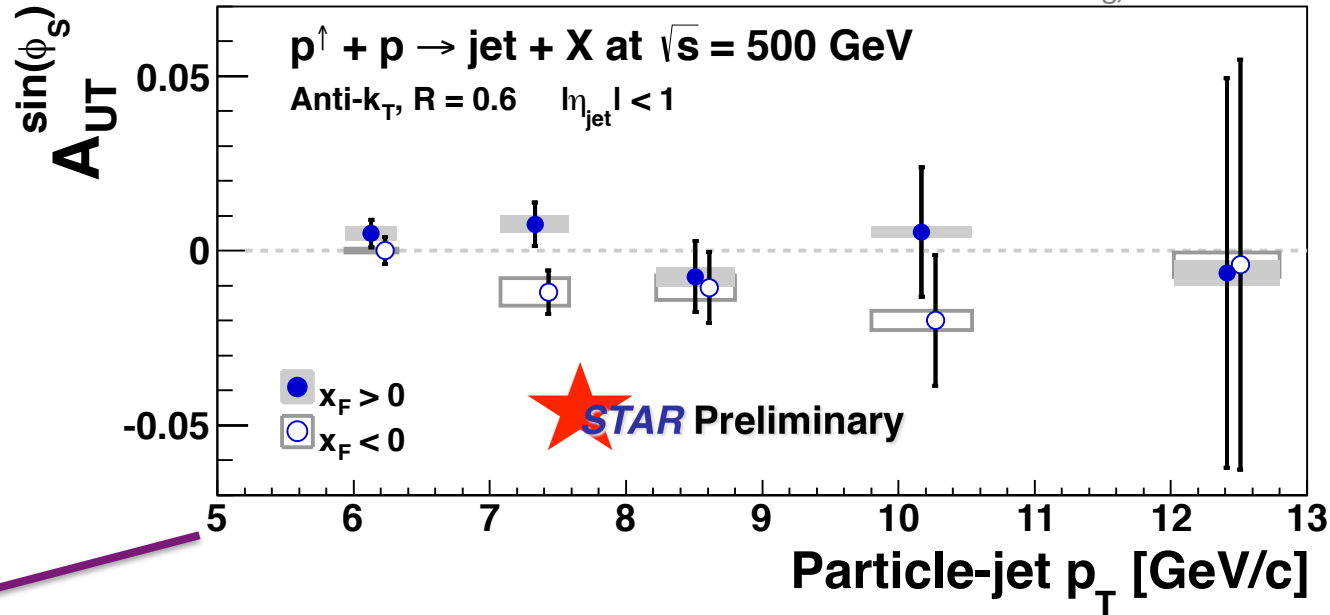
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Sivers Asymmetries at 500 GeV

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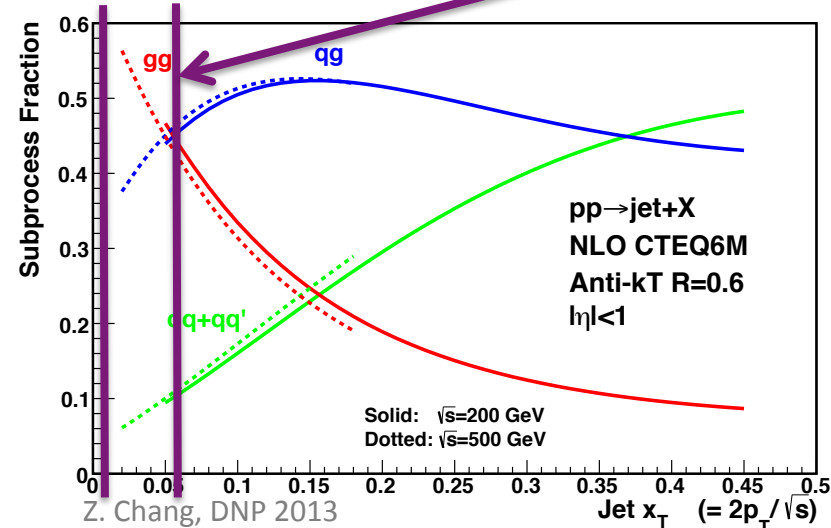
Asymmetries shown as function of particle-jet p_T
 Corresponding parton-jet p_T lower by 0.6-1.4 GeV/c

Horizontal errors include uncertainties from statistics, calorimeter gains, efficiencies, track momentum, and tracking efficiency



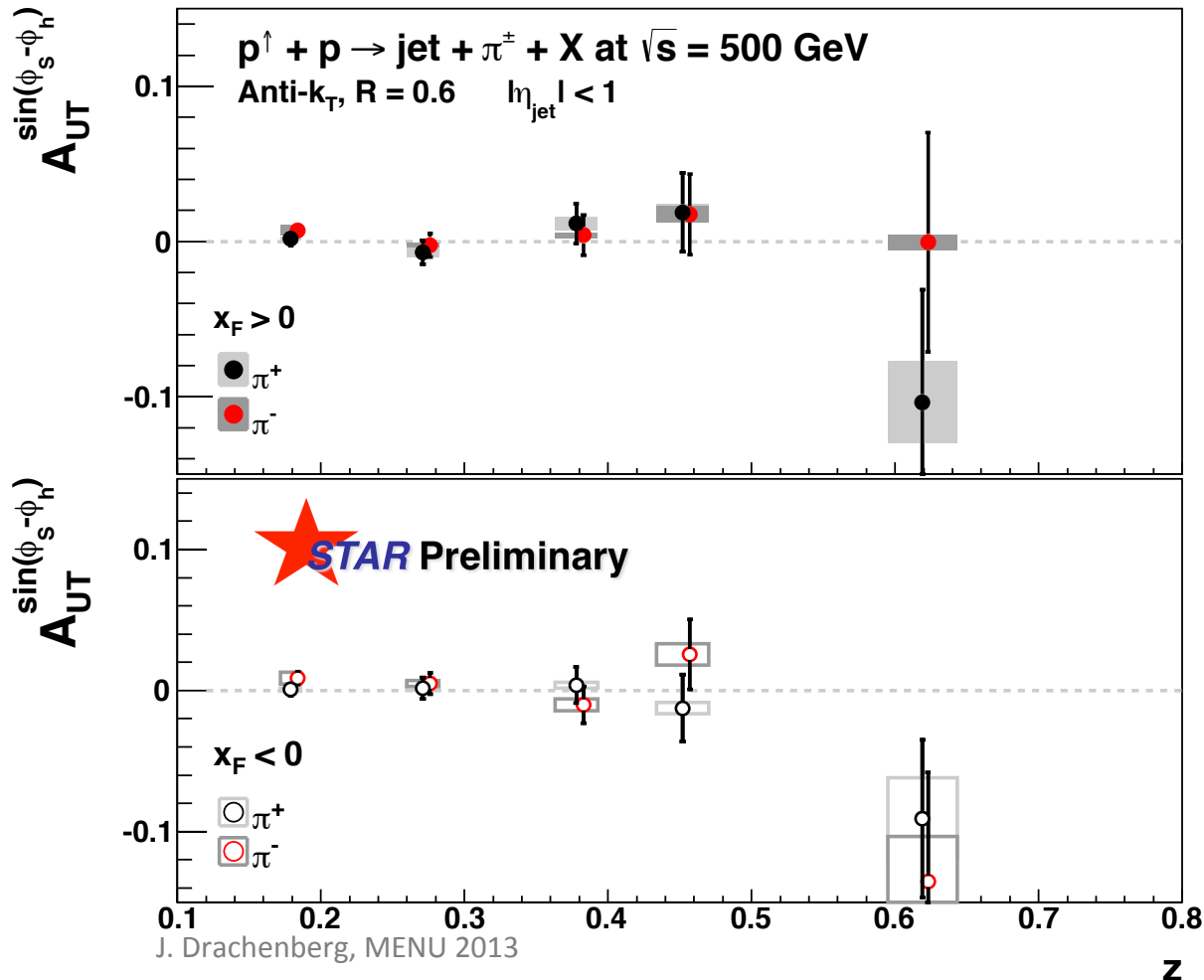
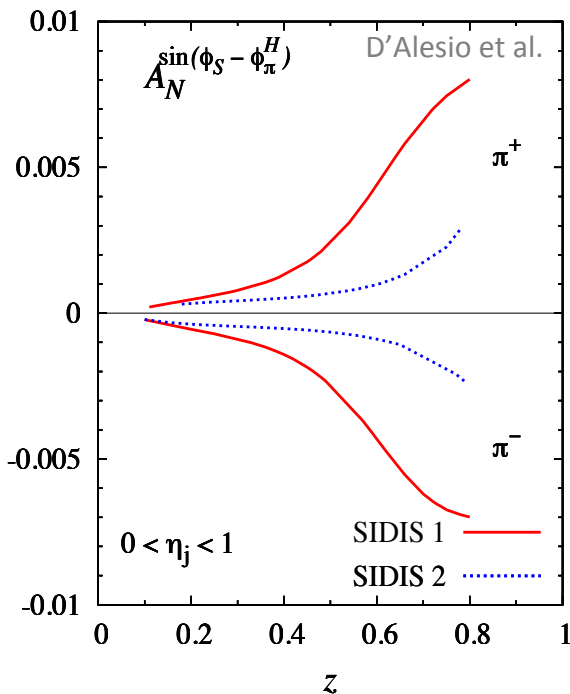
No sign of sizable azimuthal asymmetry in jet production at $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV

- Consistent with expectation from measurements at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV
- Consistent with theory predictions e.g., Kanazawa and Koike PLB 720, 161 (2013)



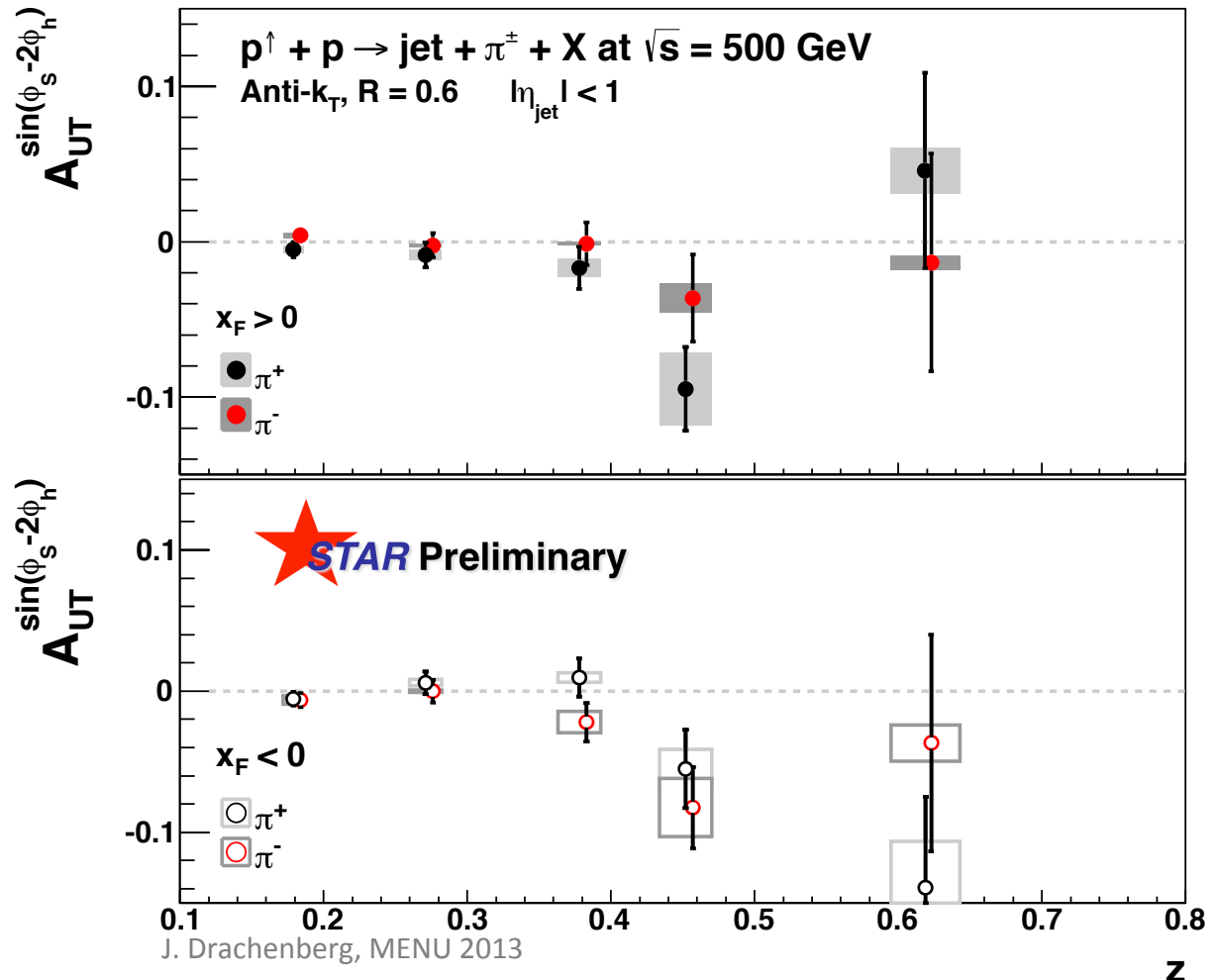
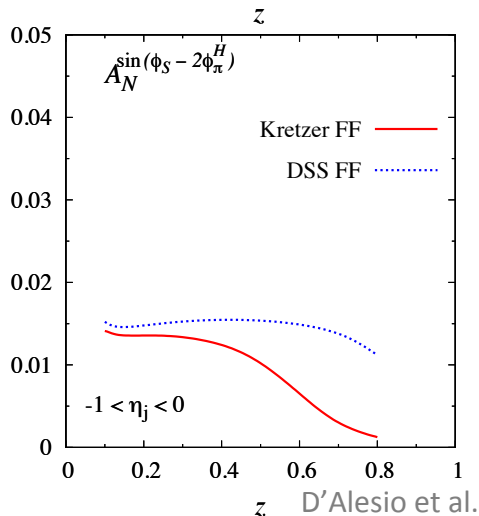
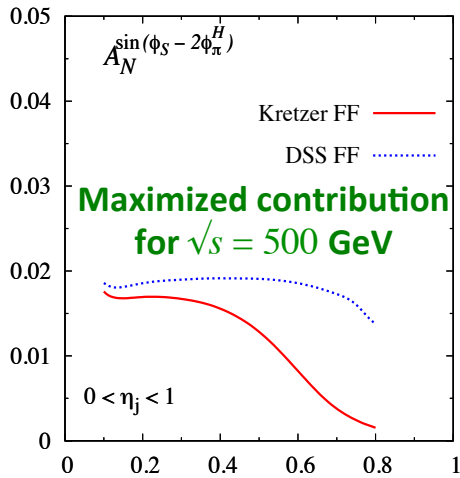
Collins Asymmetries at 500 GeV

Increased gluonic subprocesses at $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV lead to expectation of **small Collins asymmetry** until larger z



Present data do not have sufficient statistics at high- z to observe Collins asymmetry of order 1%

Collins-like Asymmetries at 500 GeV



Model predictions shown for “maximized” effect, saturated to positivity bound

Until now, Collins-like asymmetries completely unconstrained

→ Sensitive to linearly polarized gluons

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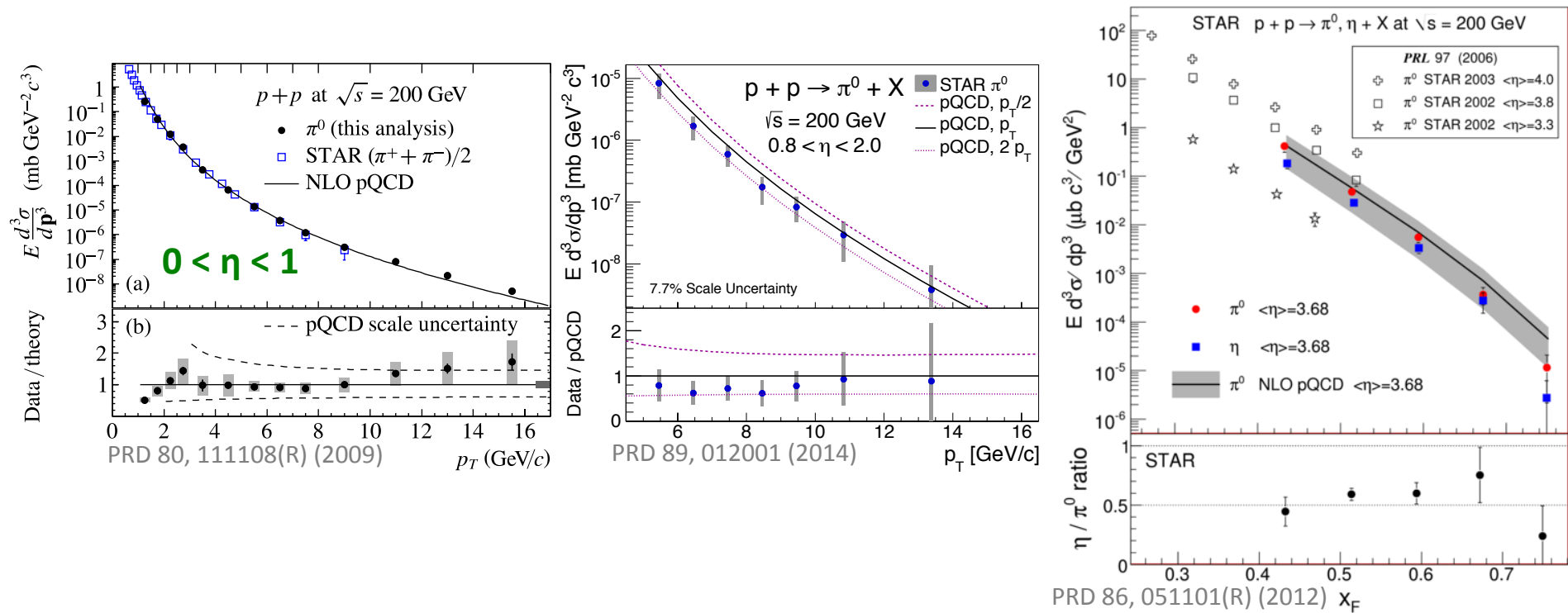
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 - Analyses underway of Collins and IFF from 2012 run
 - ➔ ***higher statistical precision and reduced systematics***

Back-up Slides

Inclusive Hadron Production at STAR



Inclusive π^0 production at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV measured over three ranges of pseudorapidity at STAR

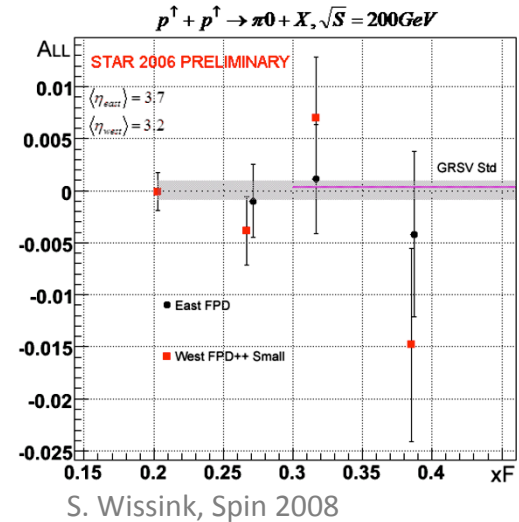
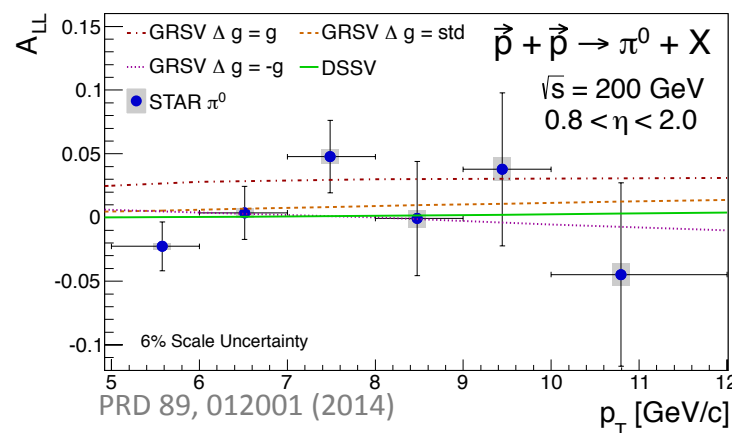
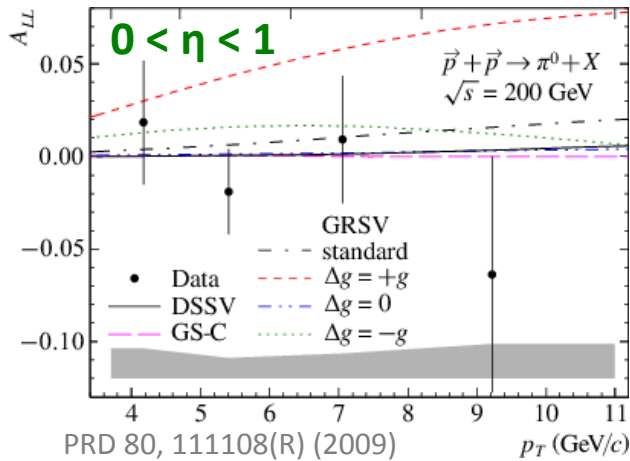
All in agreement with NLO pQCD predictions (DSS Frag. Func.)

→ Important benchmark for asymmetry studies

(Inclusive jet cross section at 200 GeV also found in agreement with NLO pQCD)

PRL 97, 252001 (2006)

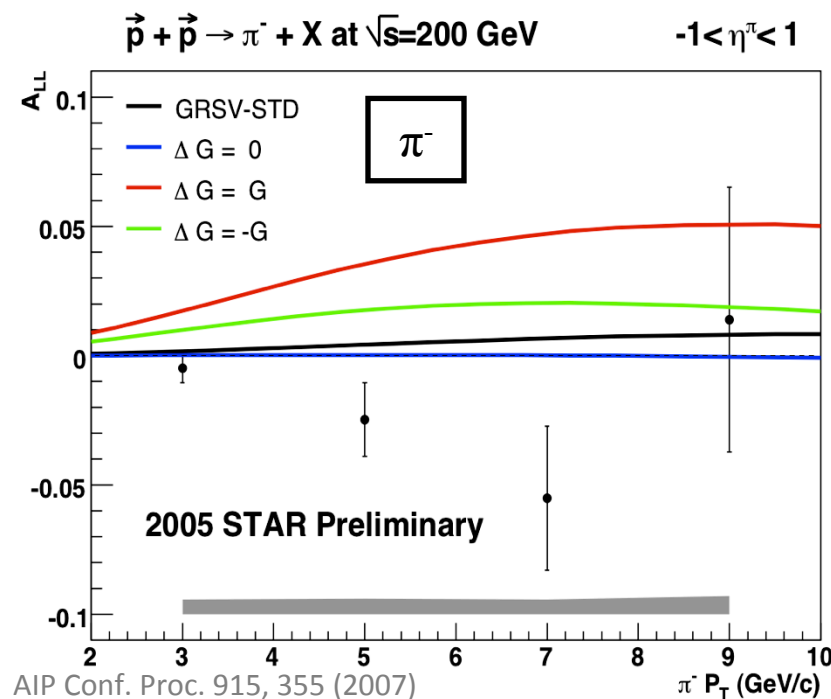
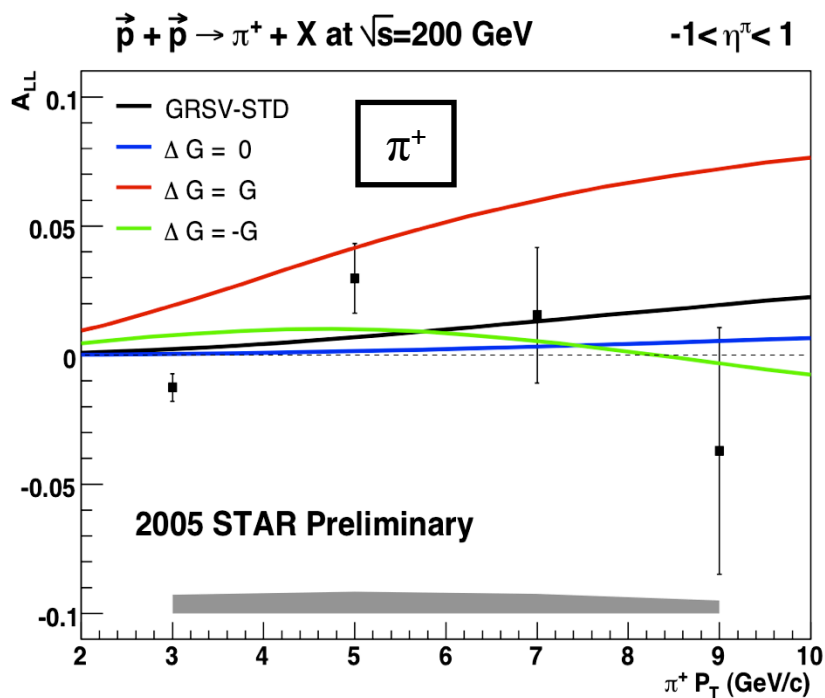
Probing Gluon Polarization with Inclusive Hadrons



A_{LL} for Inclusive π^0 production at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV measured over three ranges of pseudorapidity at STAR

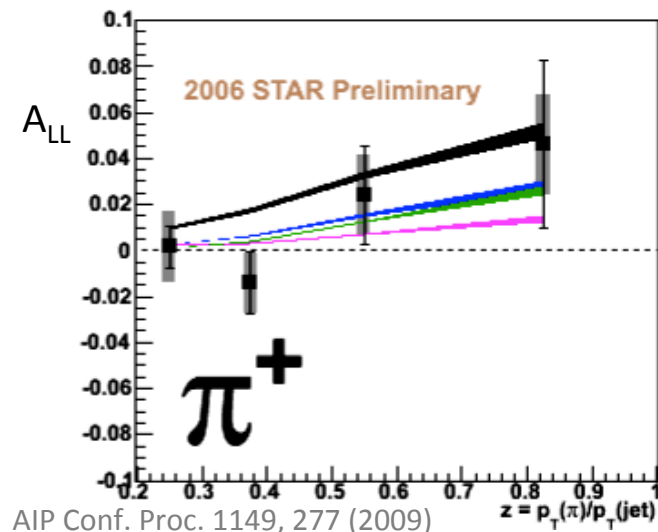
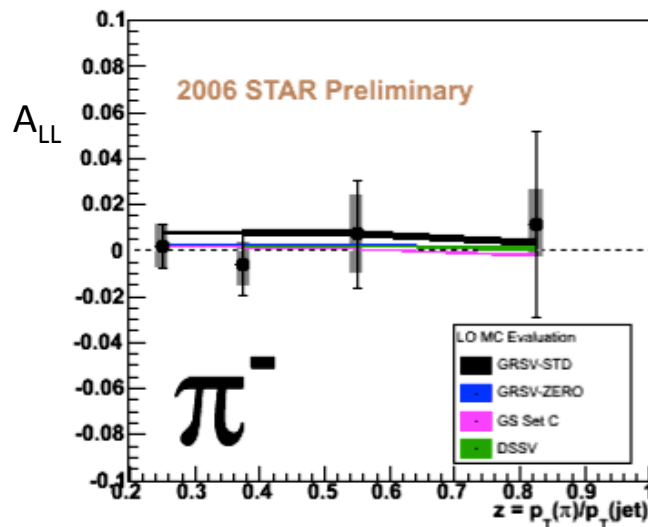
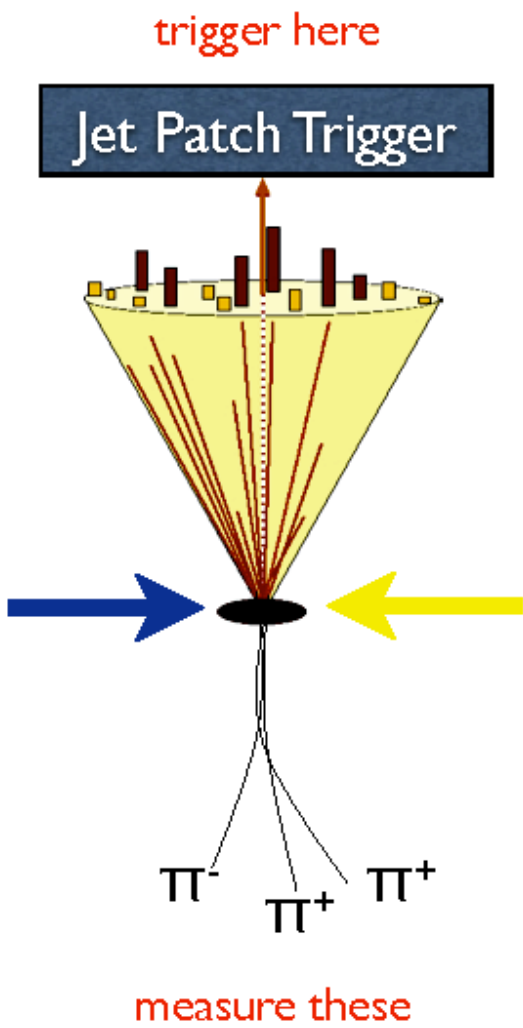
- Complementary to STAR jet measurements
- Expect A_{LL} to decrease with increasing pseudorapidity
- Current statistics dominated by 2005/2006 datasets
- **Higher-statistics datasets under investigation**

STAR Longitudinal Asymmetries from Inclusive Hadrons



- STAR measured A_{LL} for inclusive charged pions during 2005
- $A_{LL}(\pi^+) - A_{LL}(\pi^-)$ is sensitive to the sign of ΔG
- **Difficult to trigger on charged pions**
- Used the E/M calorimeter jet patch trigger as a surrogate
 \rightarrow **significant trigger bias** (*dominates syst. error band*)

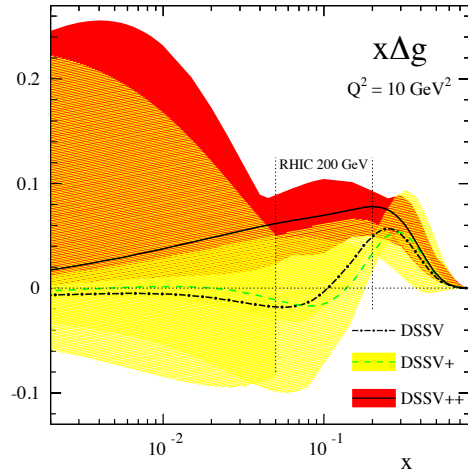
STAR Longitudinal Asymmetries from ~~Inclusive~~ Hadrons



- Making lemons into lemonade
→ *Beat the trigger bias by using it*
- Trigger and reconstruct a jet, then look for a charged pion on the opposite side
- Correlation measurement **significantly increases the sensitivity of $A_{LL}(\pi^+)$**

Probing Gluon Polarization with Inclusive Jets

- 2009 A_{LL} \rightarrow two pseudorapidity ranges
- **Forward jets ($0.5 < \eta < 1$):**
 - Larger fraction of q-g scattering with
 - Higher x quarks that are more polarized
 - Lower x gluons that are less polarized
 - Larger $|\cos(\theta^*)| \rightarrow$ reduced \hat{a}_{LL}
- A_{LL} falls between the predictions from **DSSV** and **GRSV-STD**
- **First experimental evidence of non-zero $\Delta g(x)$ in range $0.05 \leq x \leq 0.2$**

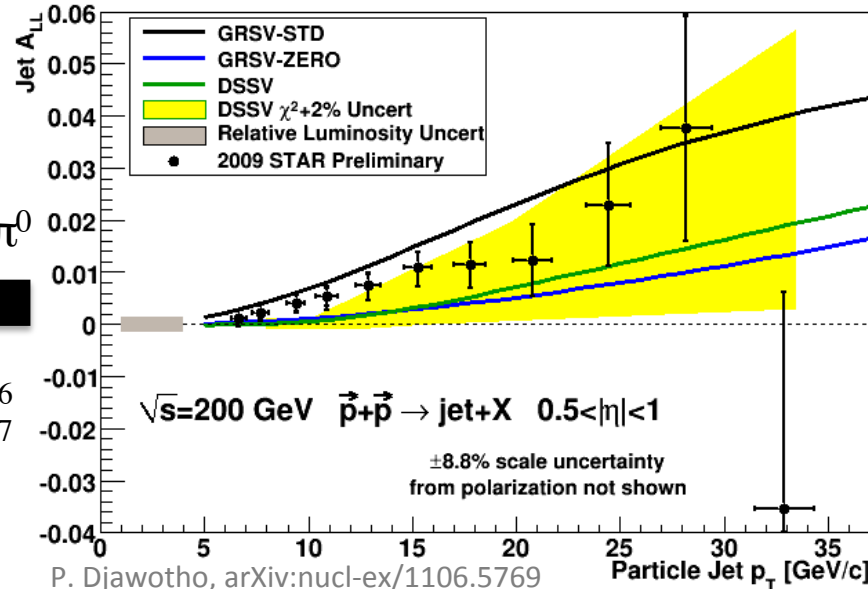
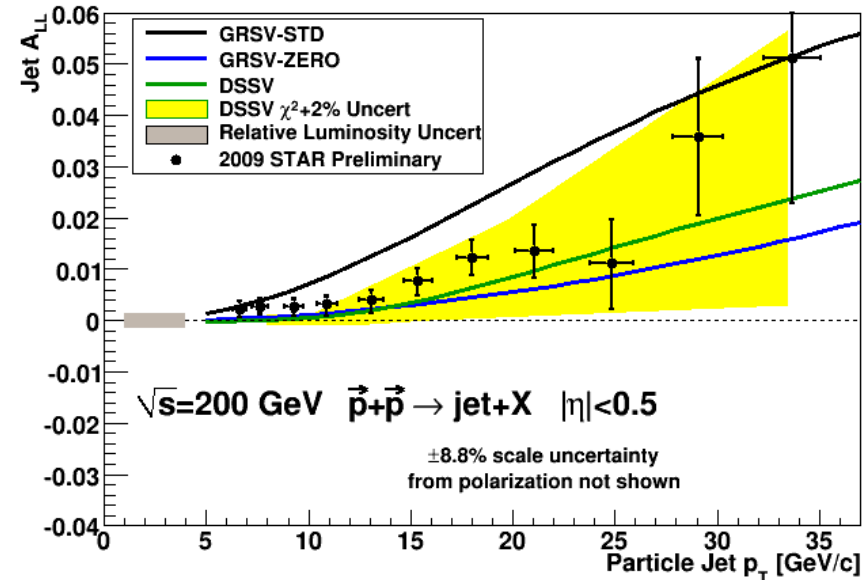


2009 STAR Jets + PHENIX π^0

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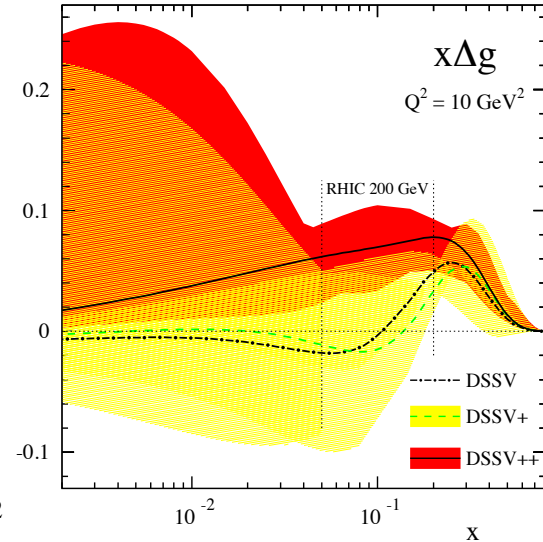
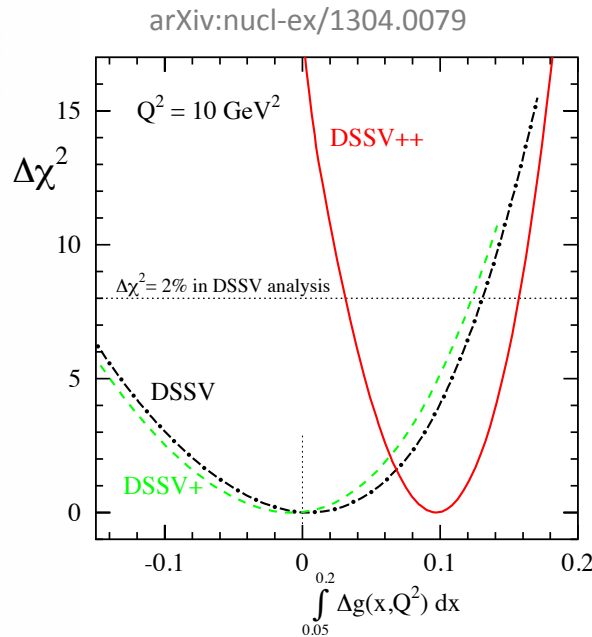
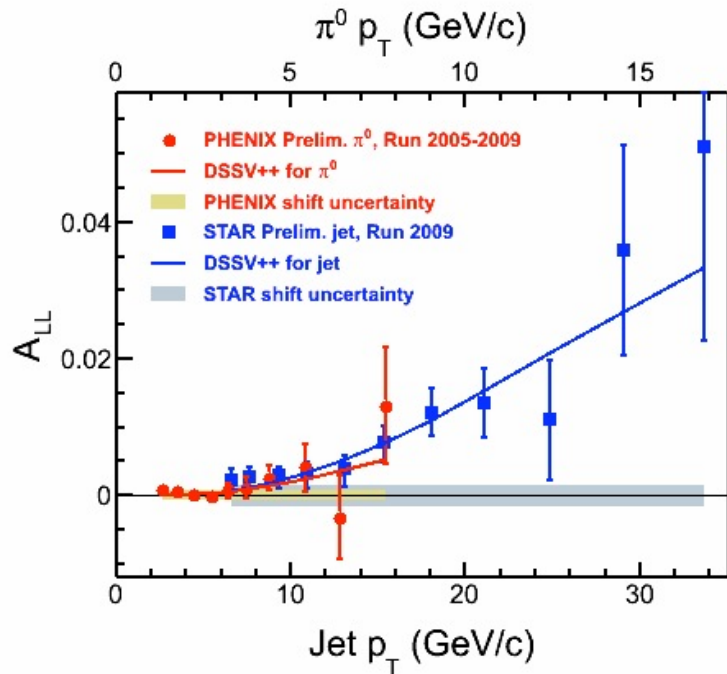
with $Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$

arXiv:nucl-ex/1304.0079



P. Djawotho, arXiv:nucl-ex/1106.5769

Global analysis with 2009 RHIC data



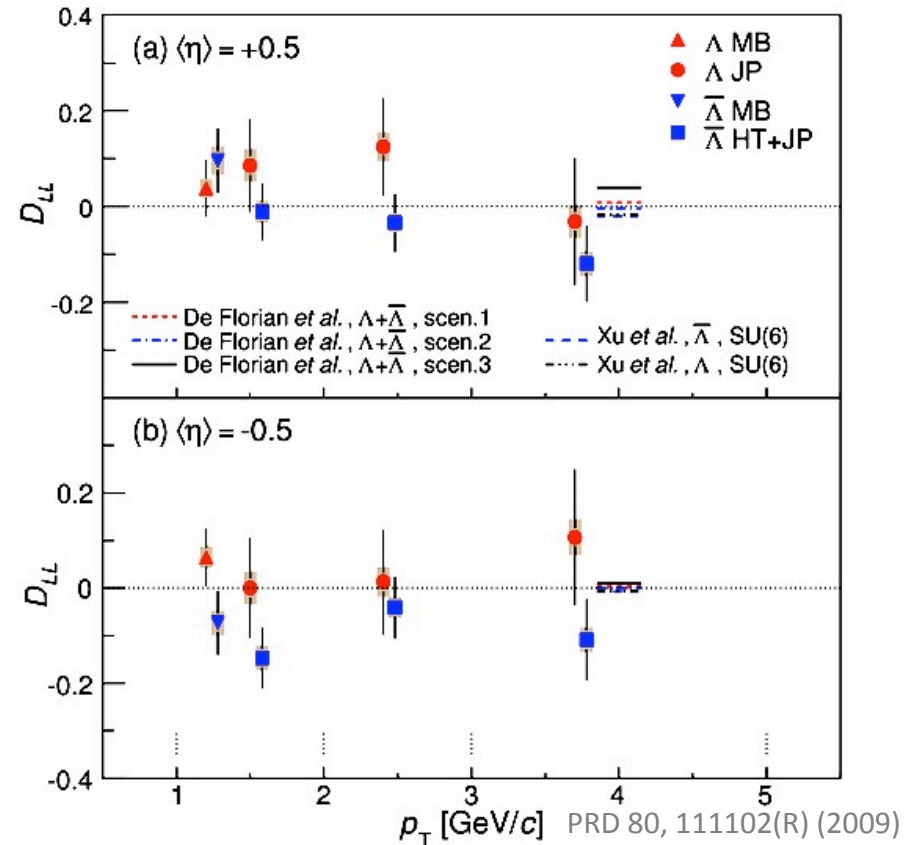
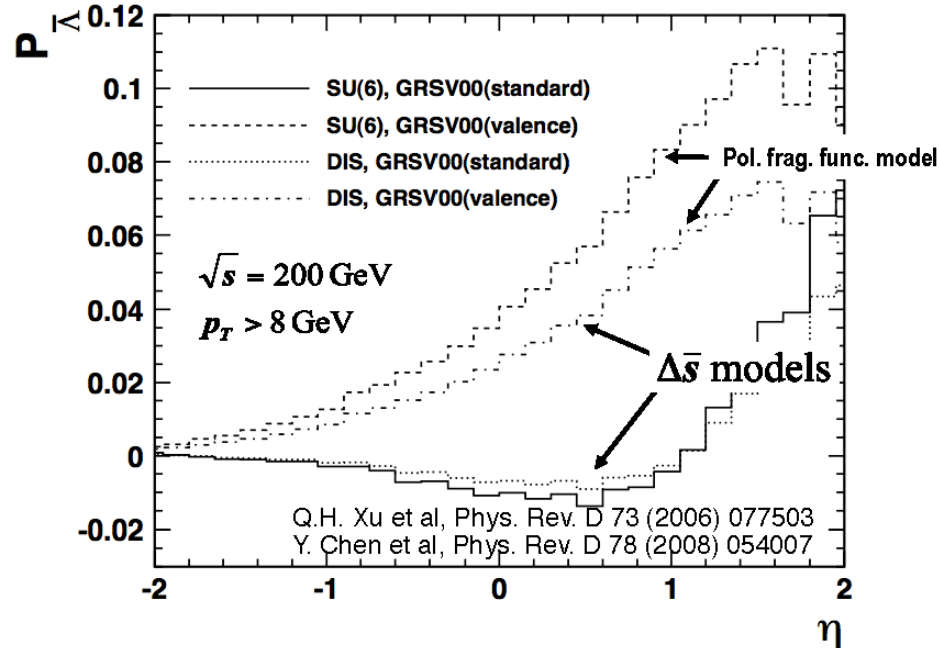
- **DSSV++** is a preliminary global analysis from the DSSV group that includes the 2009 RHIC A_{LL} data (STAR inclusive jets and PHENIX π^0 's)

$$\int_{0.05}^{0.20} \Delta g(x, Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2) dx = 0.10^{+0.06}_{-0.07}$$

- First experimental evidence of **non-zero $\Delta g(x)$** in range $0.05 \leq x \leq 0.2$

Probing Strange Quark Polarization with Hyperons

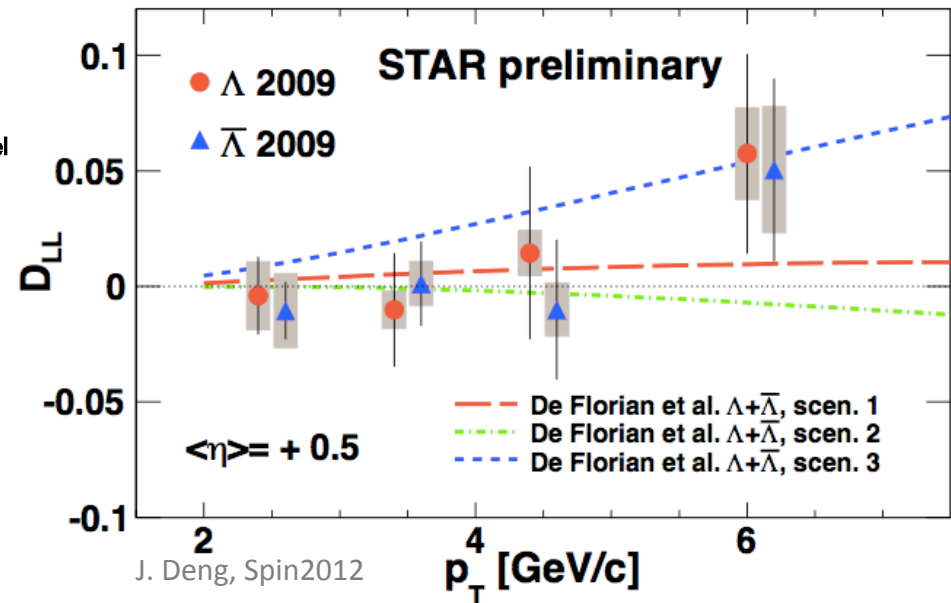
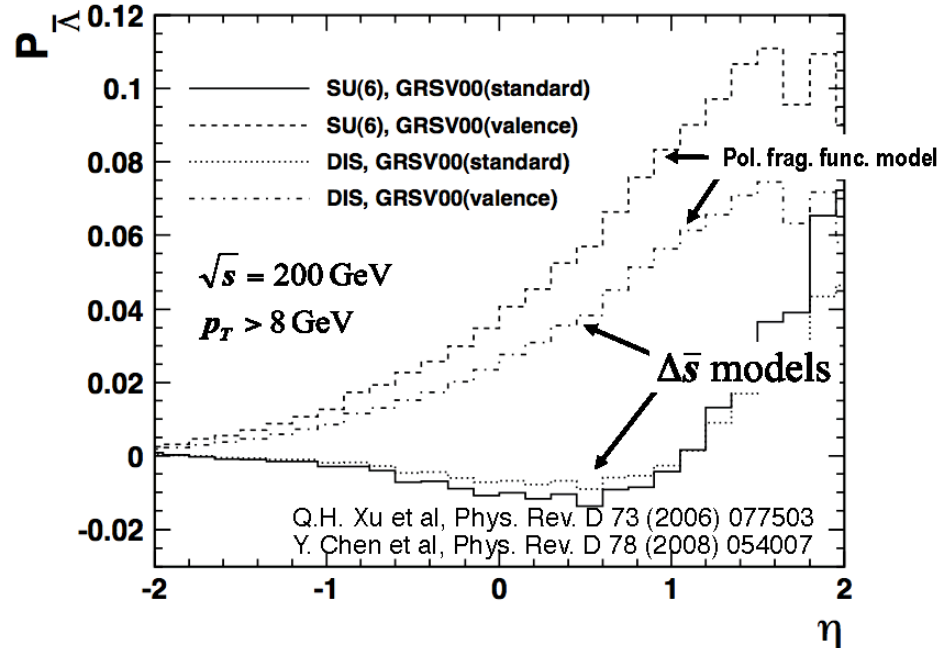
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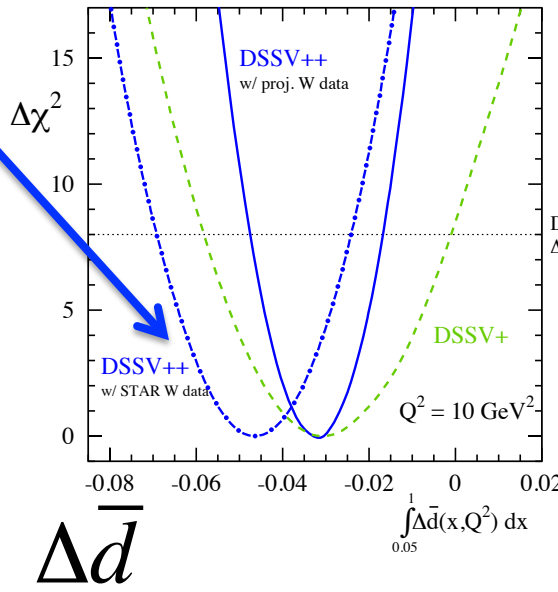
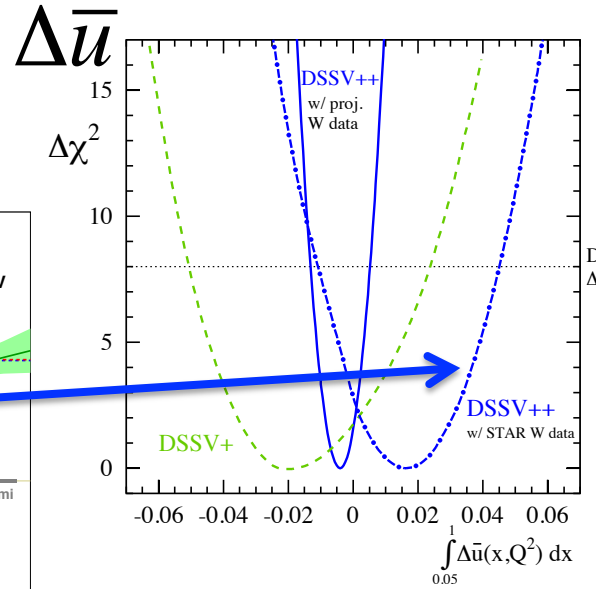
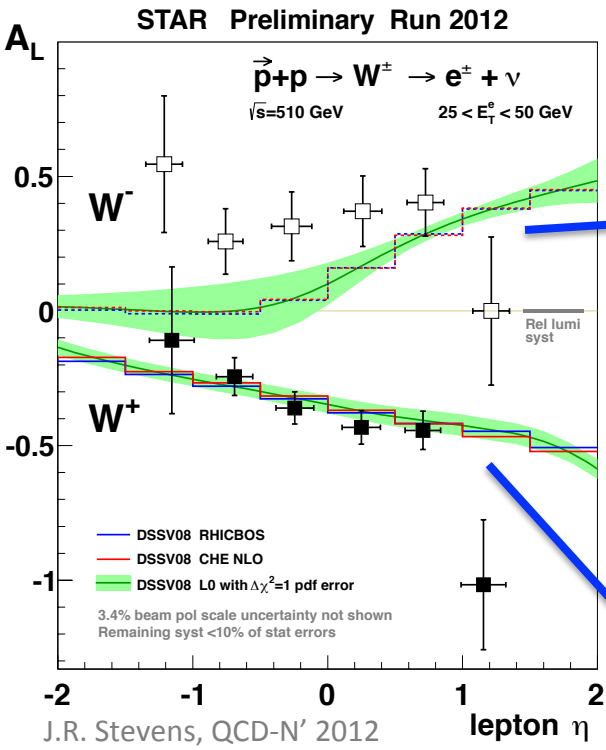
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Higher statistics (factor ~4-5) with higher p_T in 2009 data

2013 data provide opportunity for even higher precision

Probing Sea Quark Polarization with W^\pm

arXiv:nucl-ex/1304.0079

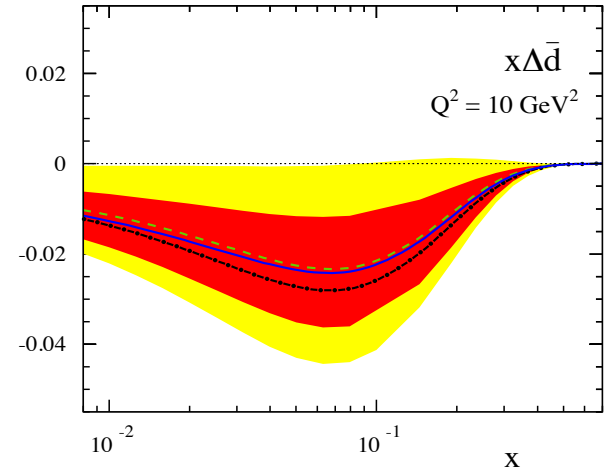
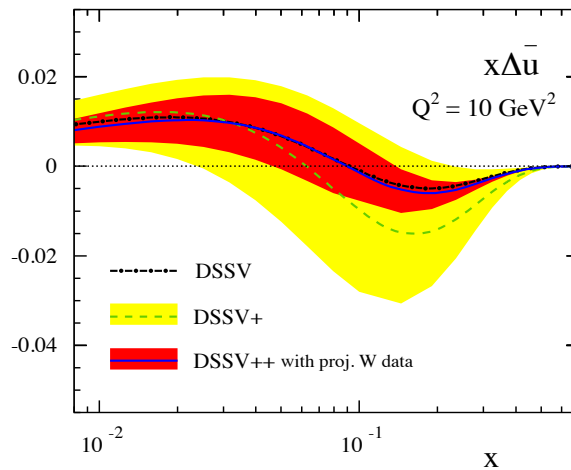
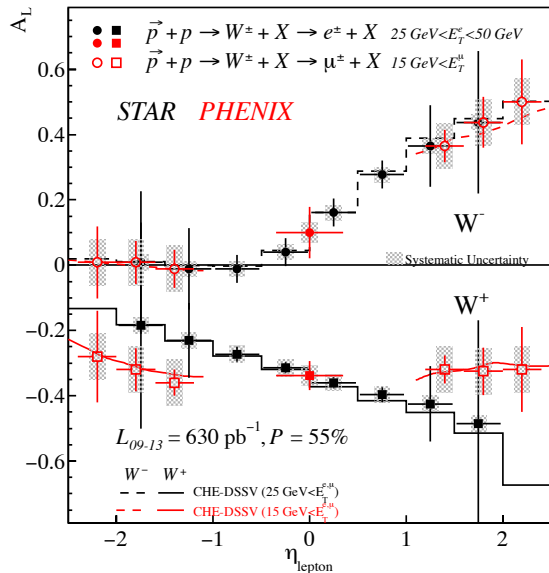
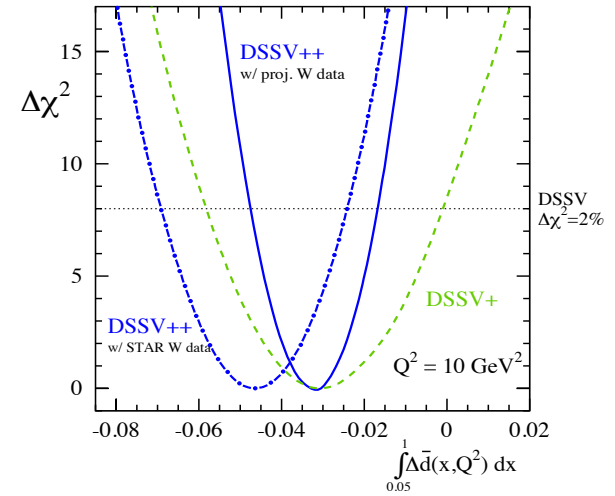
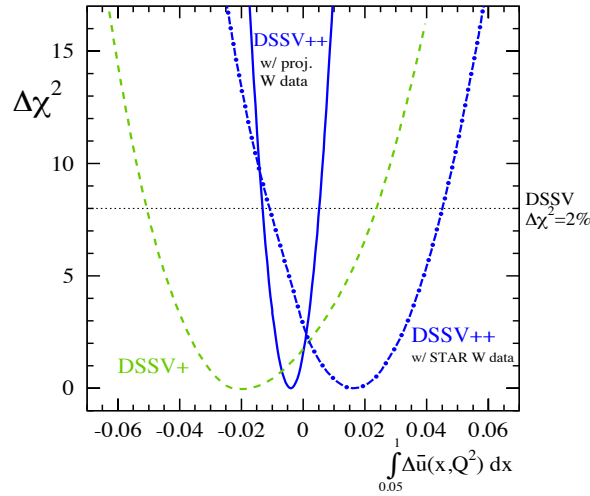
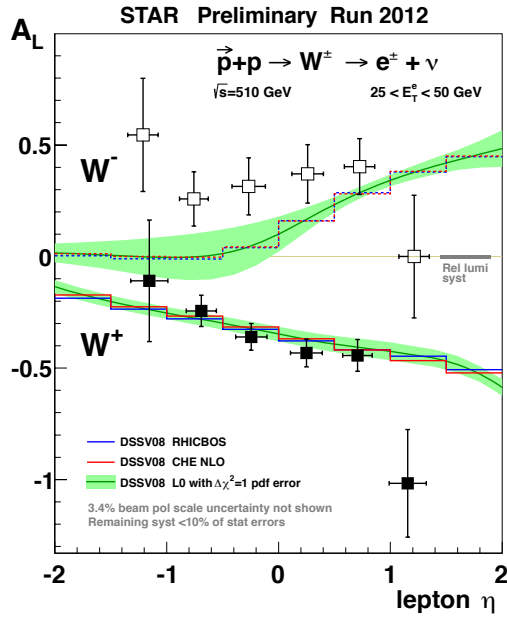


$$A_L^{W^-} \sim \frac{\Delta \bar{u}(x_1)d(x_2) - \Delta d(x_1)\bar{u}(x_2)}{\bar{u}(x_1)d(x_2) + d(x_1)\bar{u}(x_2)}$$

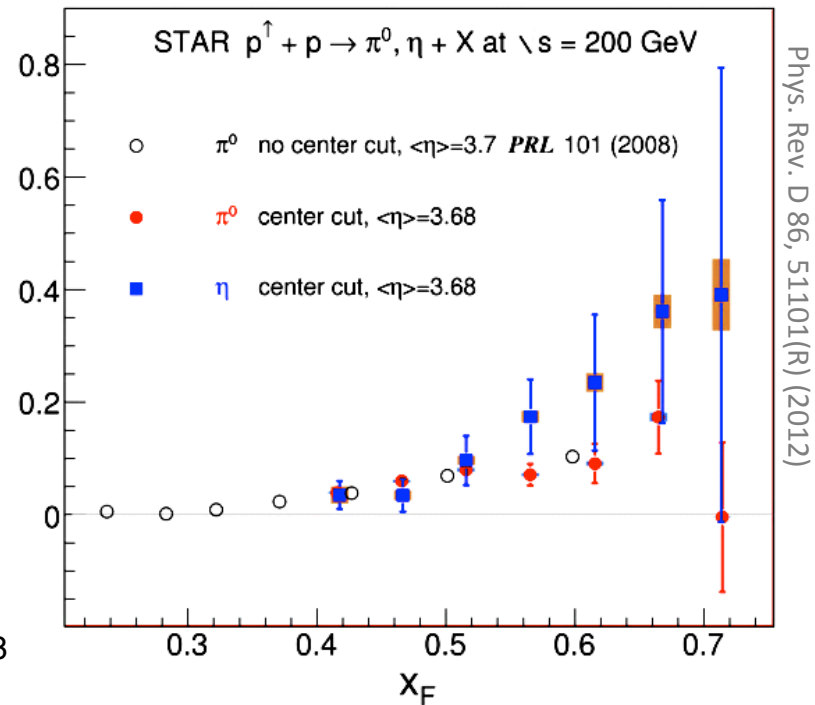
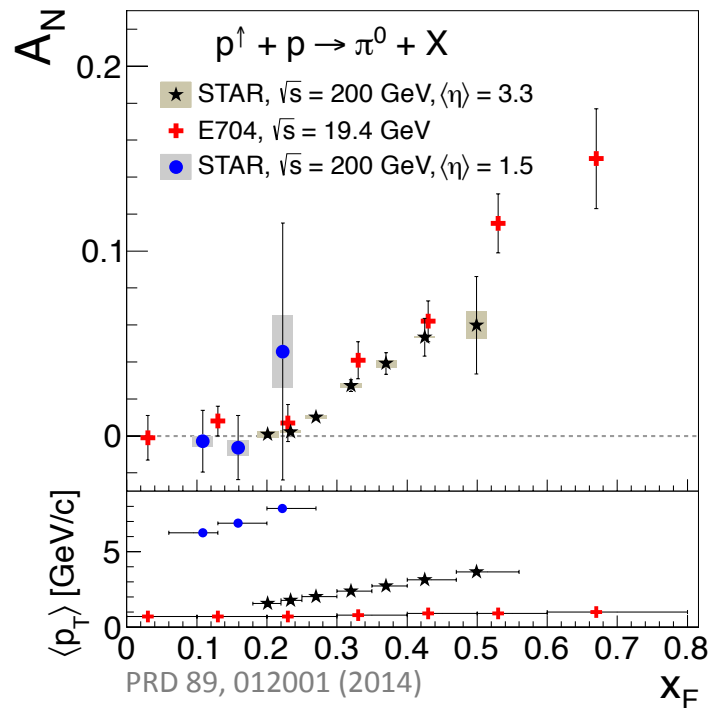
- $A_L(W^-)$ – **systematically larger than DSSV**
- Enhancement at $\eta < 0$ sensitive to $\Delta \bar{u}$
- $A_L(W^+)$ – **consistent with DSSV**
- Systematics well under control for $|\eta_e| < 1.4$

$\Delta \bar{d}$

Probing Sea Quark Polarization with W^\pm



STAR Transverse Asymmetries from Inclusive Hadrons



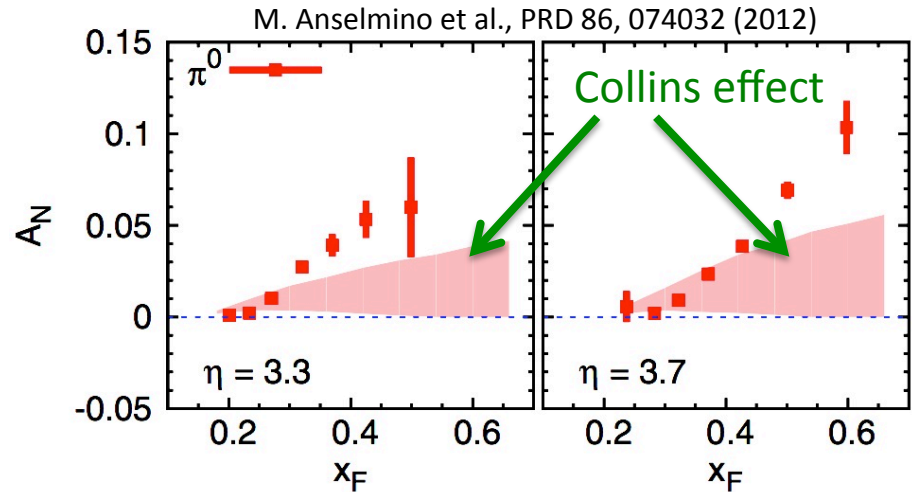
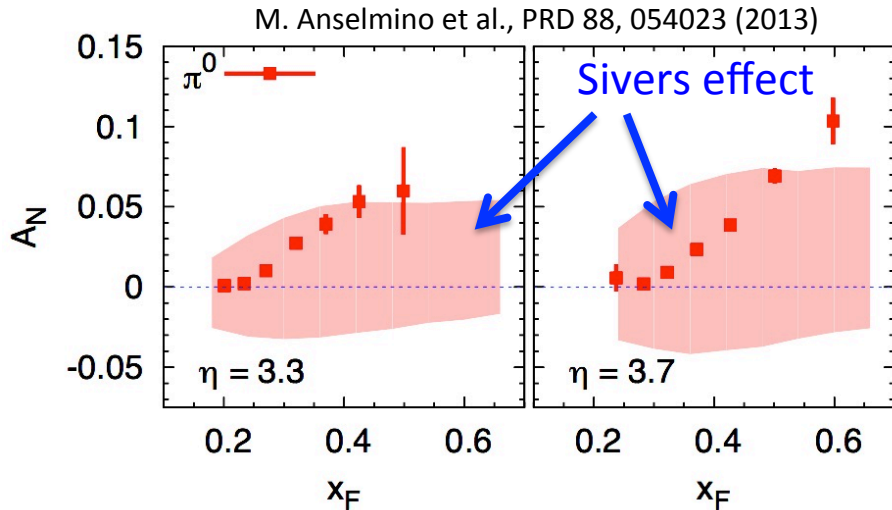
STAR has measured sizeable transverse single-spin asymmetries for forward π^0 and η production

At high- x_F , η asymmetry may be larger than that of π^0

Asymmetries at intermediate pseudorapidity consistent with zero

Above results mostly from 2006 (6.8 pb^{-1} at 55% polarization)

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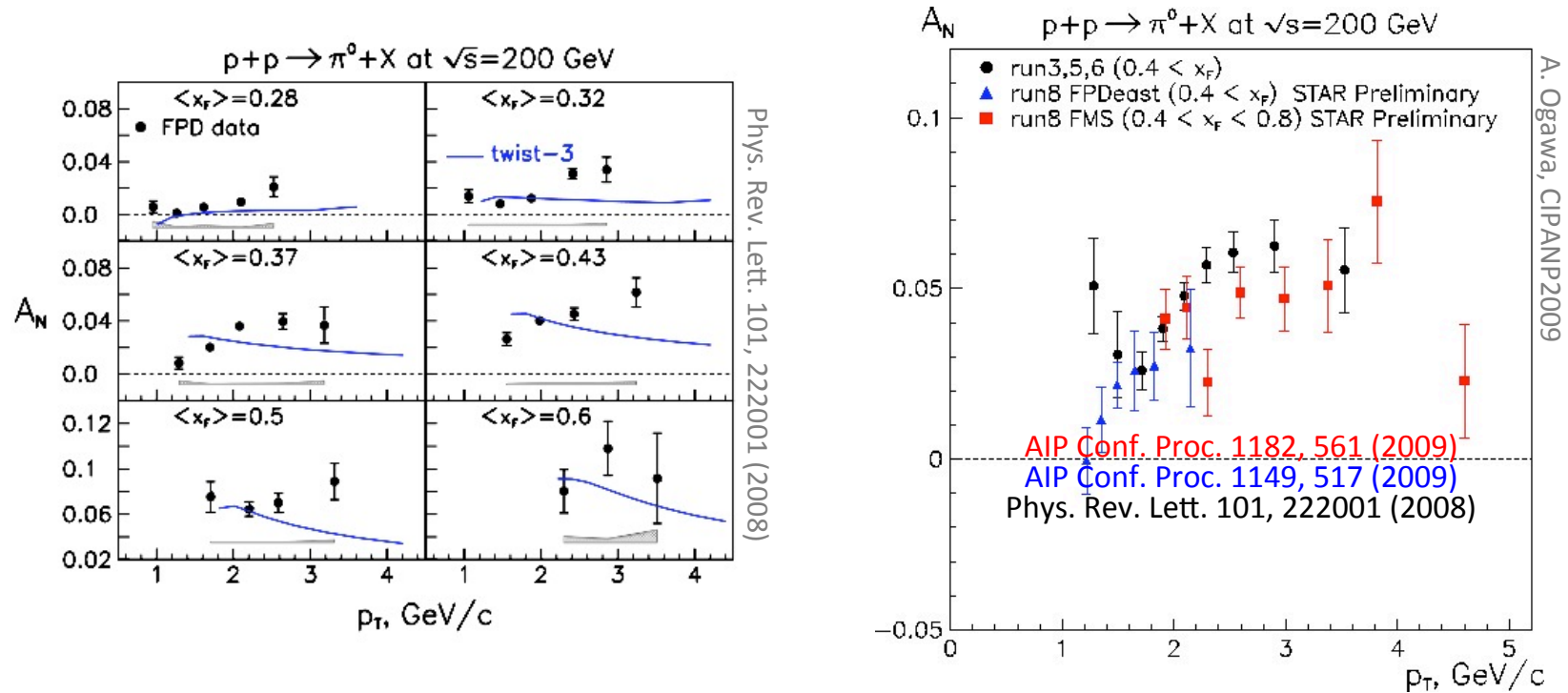
STAR data from PRL 101, 222001 (2008)

Current models based on fits to SIDIS and e^+e^- :

- *“The Collins effect...is not sufficient for the medium-large x_F range of STAR data, $x_F \gtrsim 0.3$ ”*
- *“...the Sivers effect alone might in principle be able to explain...almost the full amount of STAR π^0 data on A_N ”*

Theoretical questions remain about applicability to $p+p$ data of Sivers extractions from SIDIS
(e.g. Kang et al., PRD 83, 094001 (2011))

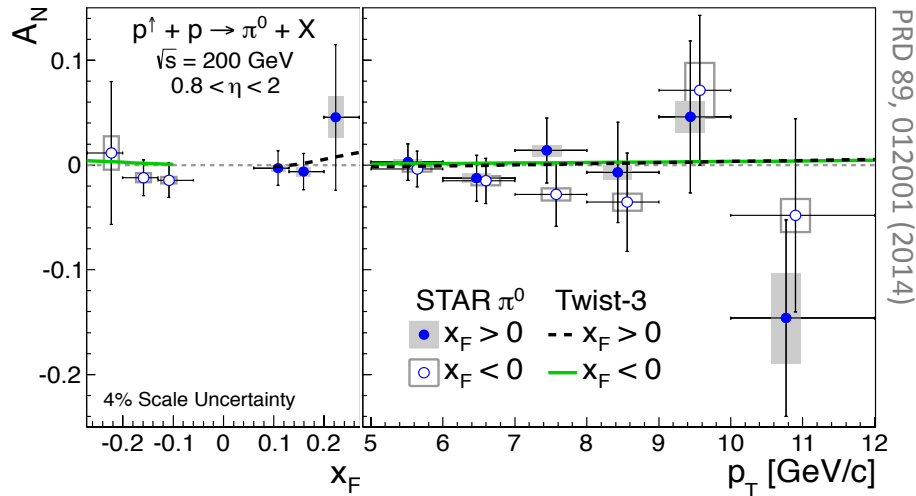
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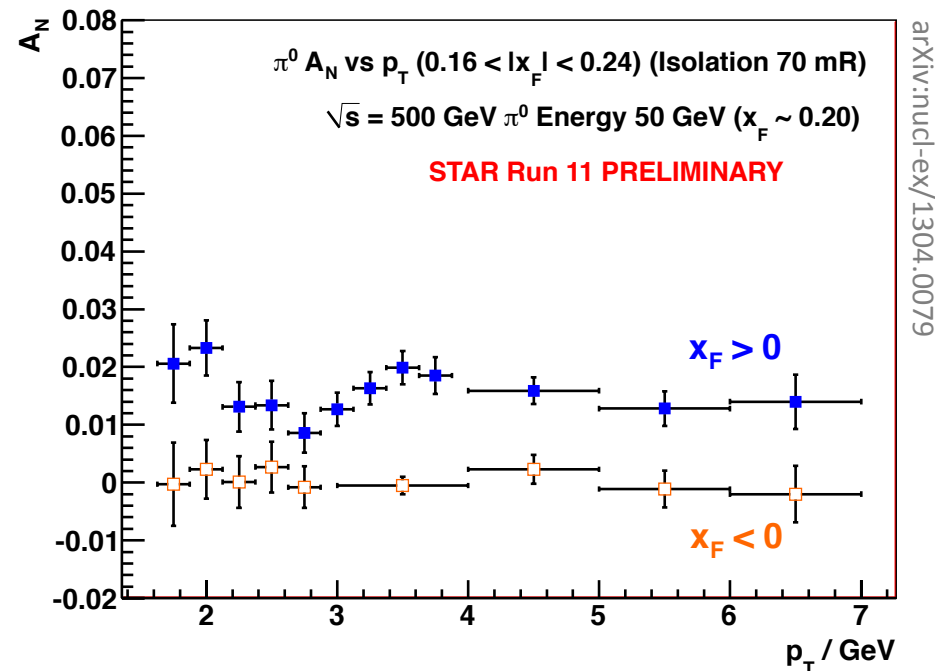
Despite expectation of $1/p_T$ scaling,
STAR data from 2003 to 2008 show

no sign of $1/p_T$ fall-off out to $p_T \sim 5$ GeV/c

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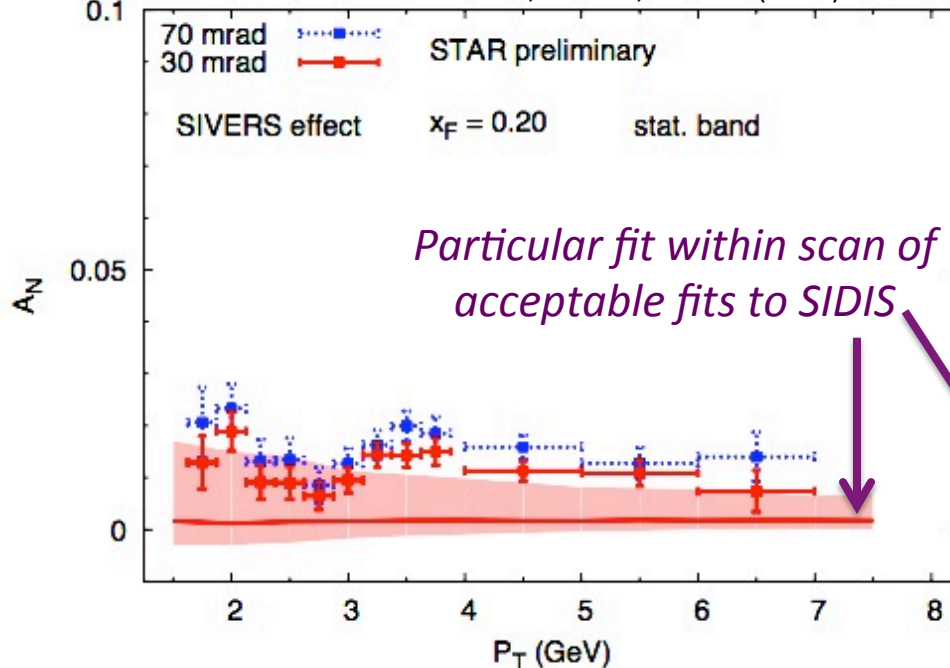
Asymmetries at intermediate pseudorapidity at $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$:
consistent with zero for
 $5 < p_T < 12 \text{ GeV}/c$



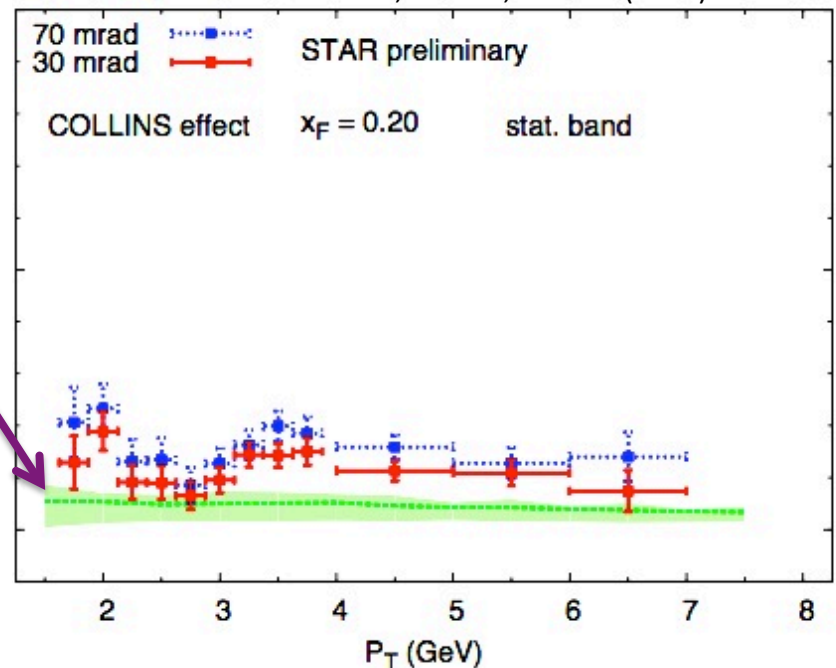
STAR data from 2011 at
 $\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$:
no sign of $1/p_T$ fall-off out to
 $p_T \sim 10 \text{ GeV}/c$
(consistent across multiple x_F -bins)

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M. Anselmino et al., PRD 88, 054023 (2013)



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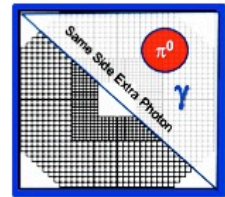
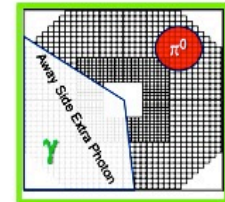
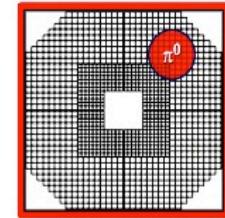
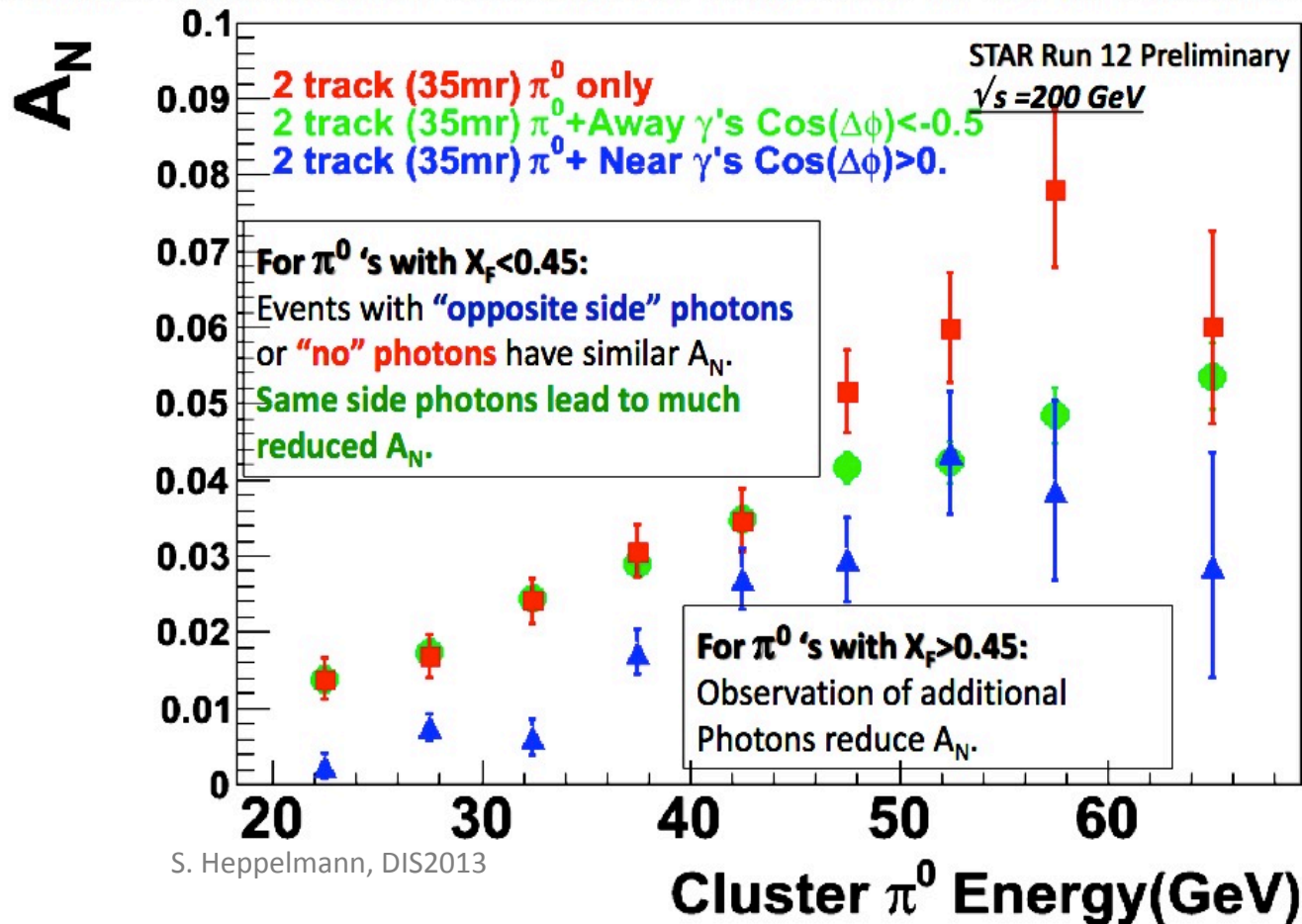


Recent models based on SIDIS fits suggest flat p_T -dependence for **Sivers effect** out to $p_T \sim 7$ GeV/c but at **lower magnitude than data**

Similar behavior for **Collins effect** in some parameterizations
→ **possible hint of Collins+Sivers effect?**

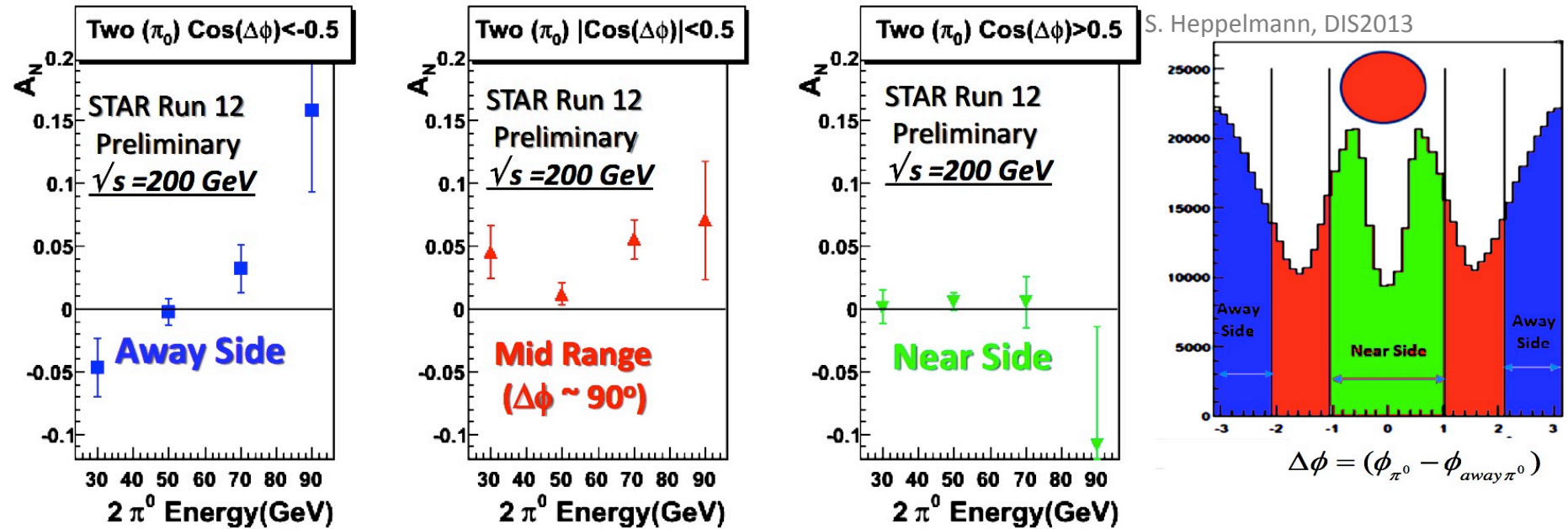
Twist-3 models also see flat p_T dependence out to $p_T \sim 15$ GeV/c
e.g. Kanazawa and Koike, PRD 83, 114024 (2011)

STAR Transverse Asymmetries from Inclusive Hadrons



Recent data from 2012 suggest that asymmetries for pions with additional near-side energy deposit have *lower asymmetries than those of more isolated pions*

STAR Transverse Asymmetries from Inclusive Hadrons



STAR data from 2012 at $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$:

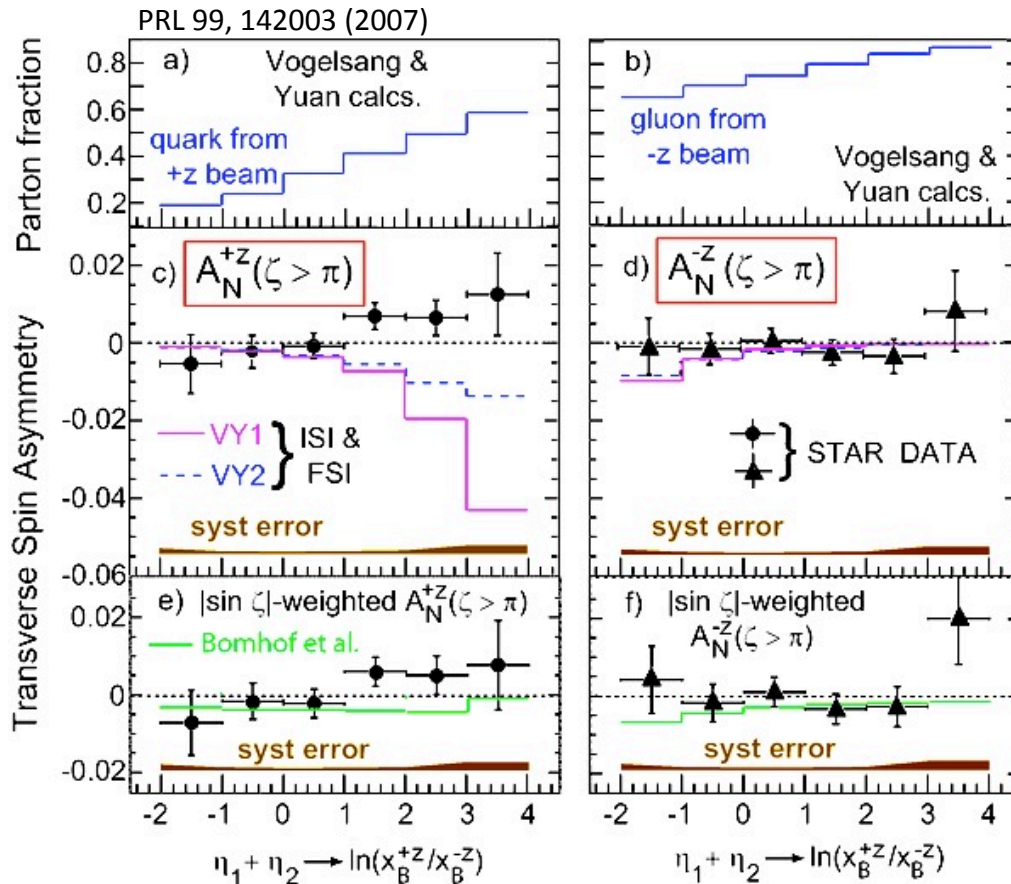
asymmetries for pions with additional near-side pion have *lower asymmetries than those with away-side or mid-range pion*

\rightarrow In both $\sqrt{s} = 200$ and 500 GeV

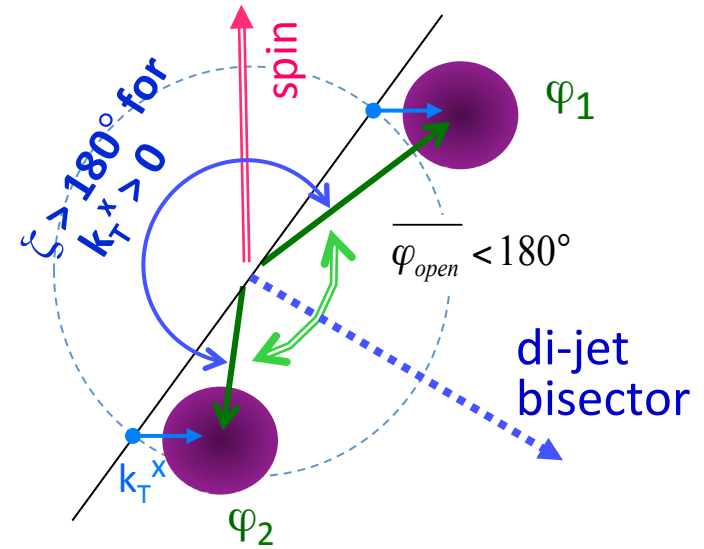
isolated pions show higher asymmetry than jet-like pions

Forward neutral-energy jet analysis of 2011 ongoing (M. Mondal, GHP2013)

STAR Transverse Asymmetries at Central Pseudorapidity



Sivers effect in di-jet production



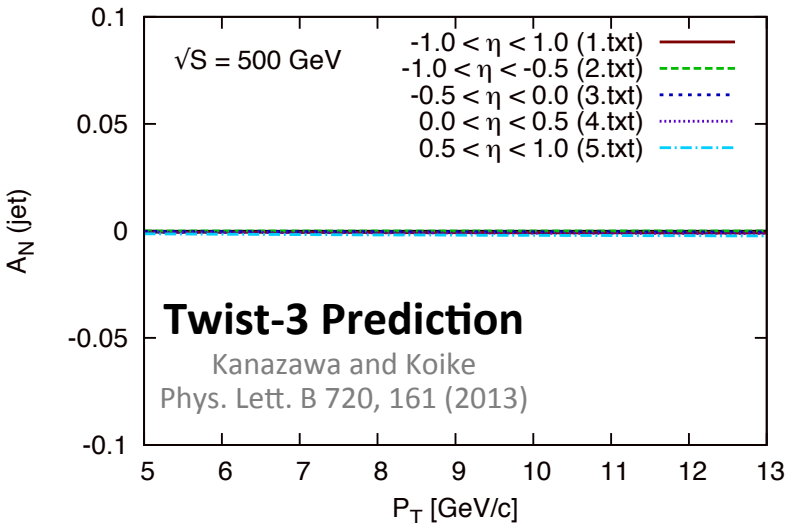
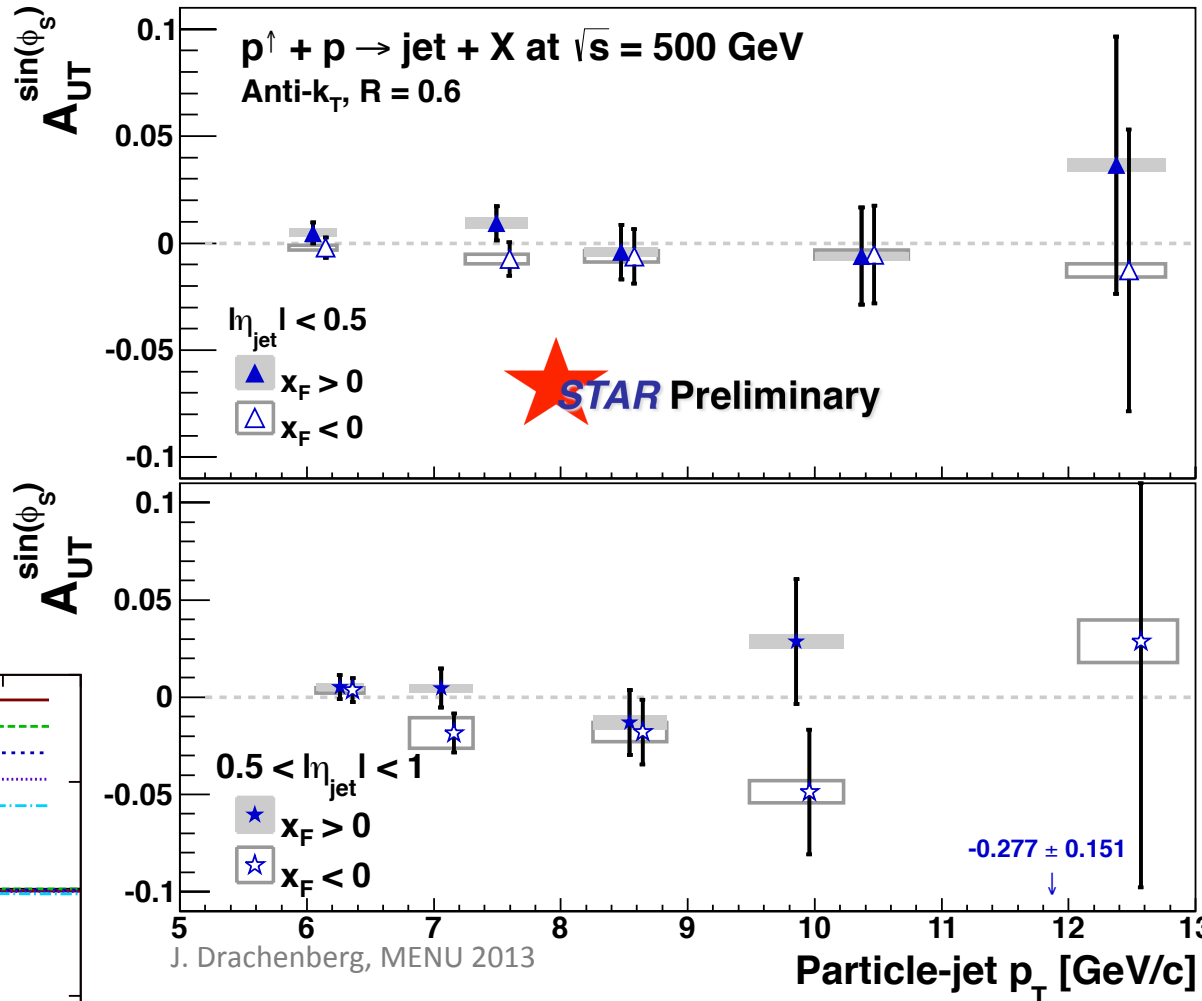
- Spin-dependent sideways boost to di-jets
- Measure di-jet opening angle as function of proton spin
- *Requires parton orbital angular momentum*

Observed di-jet asymmetries much smaller than observed at SIDIS
 → **Cancellation of initial vs. final state interactions, u vs. d quark effects, and small gluon Sivers effect?**

Sivers Asymmetries at 500 GeV

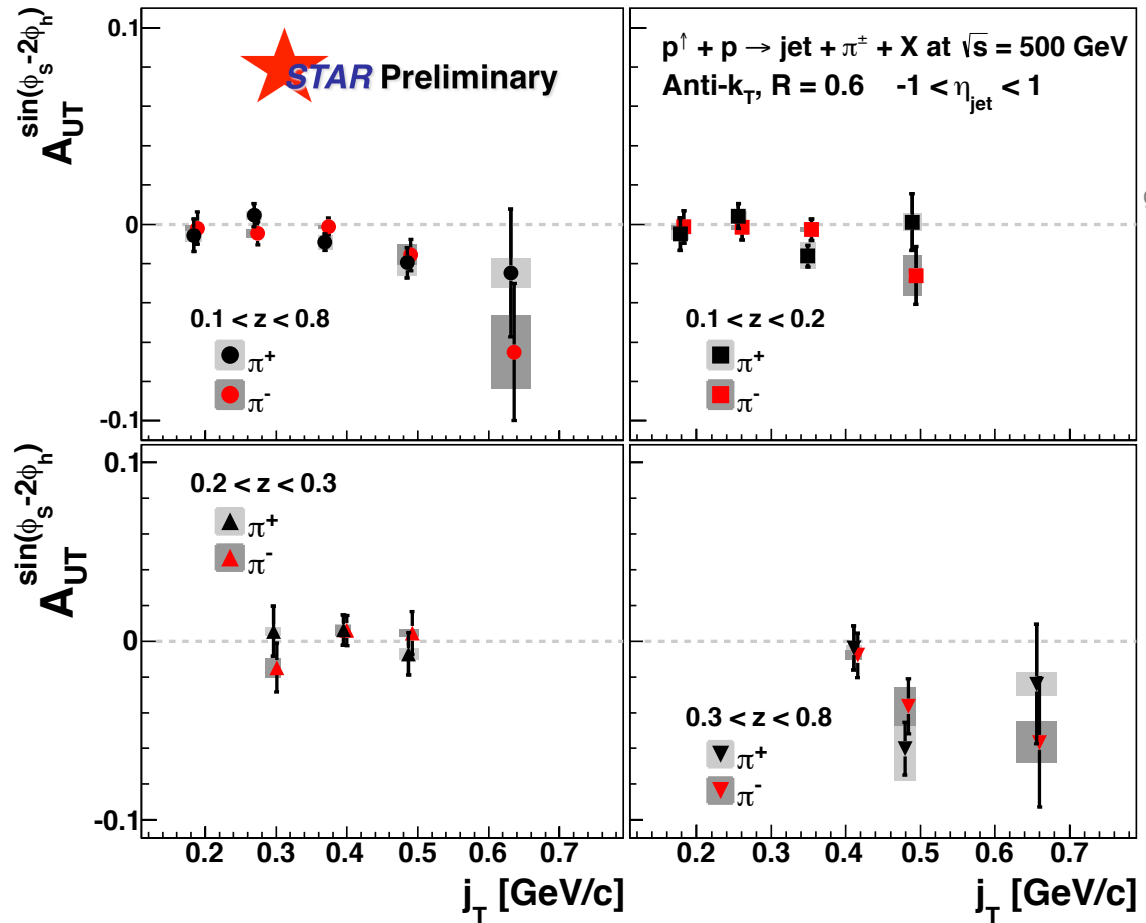
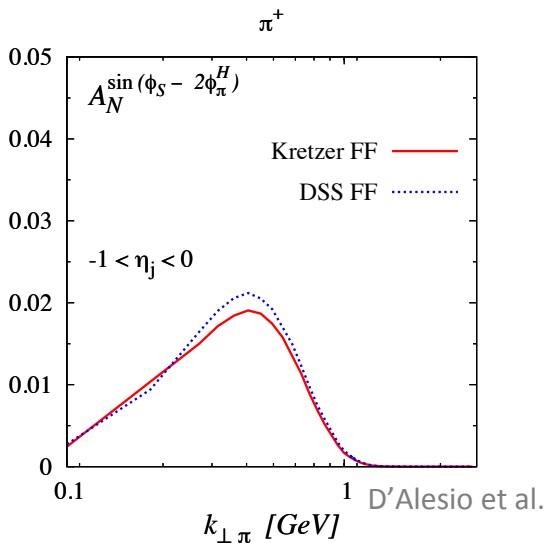
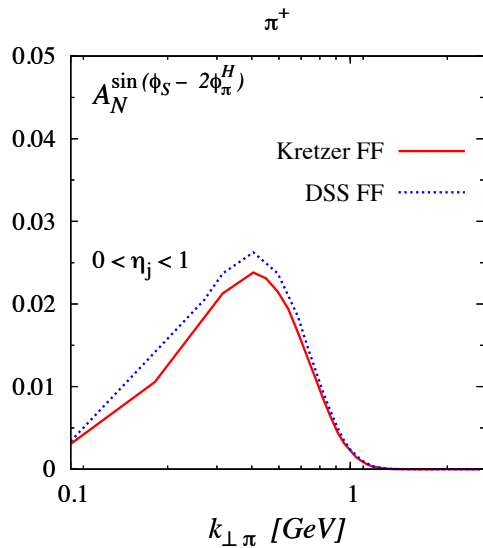
Asymmetries shown as function of particle-jet p_T
 Corresponding parton-jet p_T lower by 0.6-1.4 GeV/c

Horizontal errors include uncertainties from statistics, calorimeter gains, efficiencies, track momentum, and tracking efficiency



Measured asymmetries shown in η -bins
No sign of sizable asymmetry

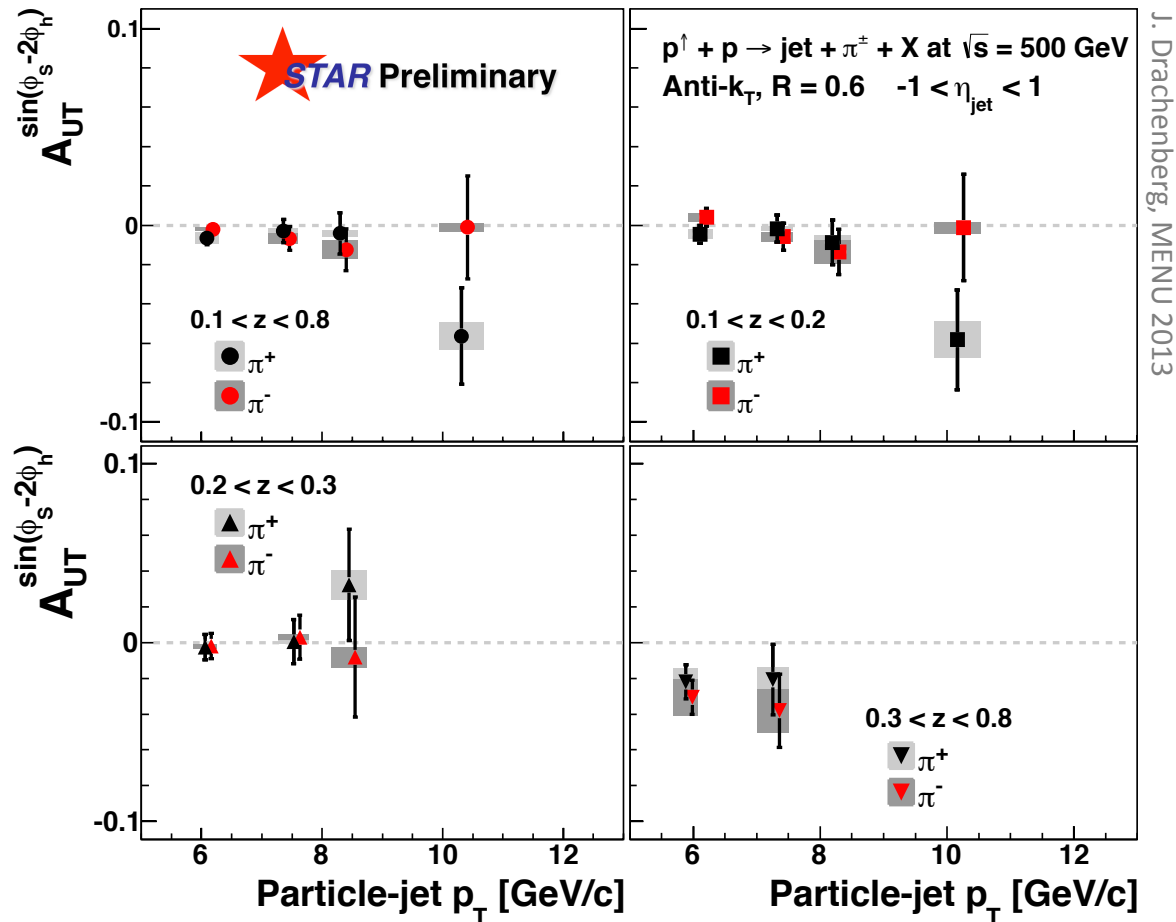
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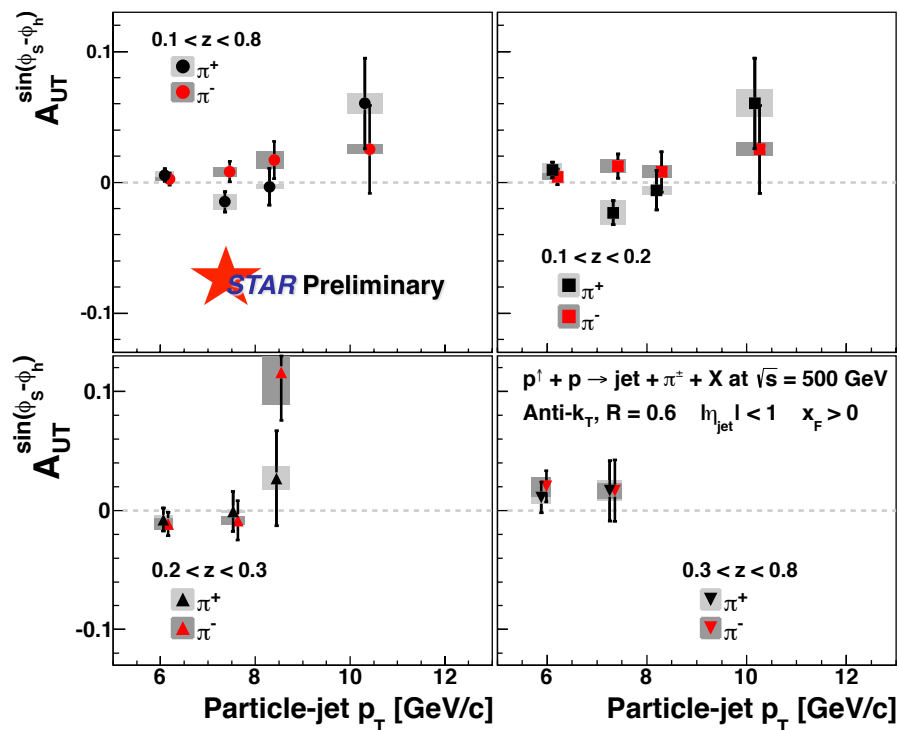
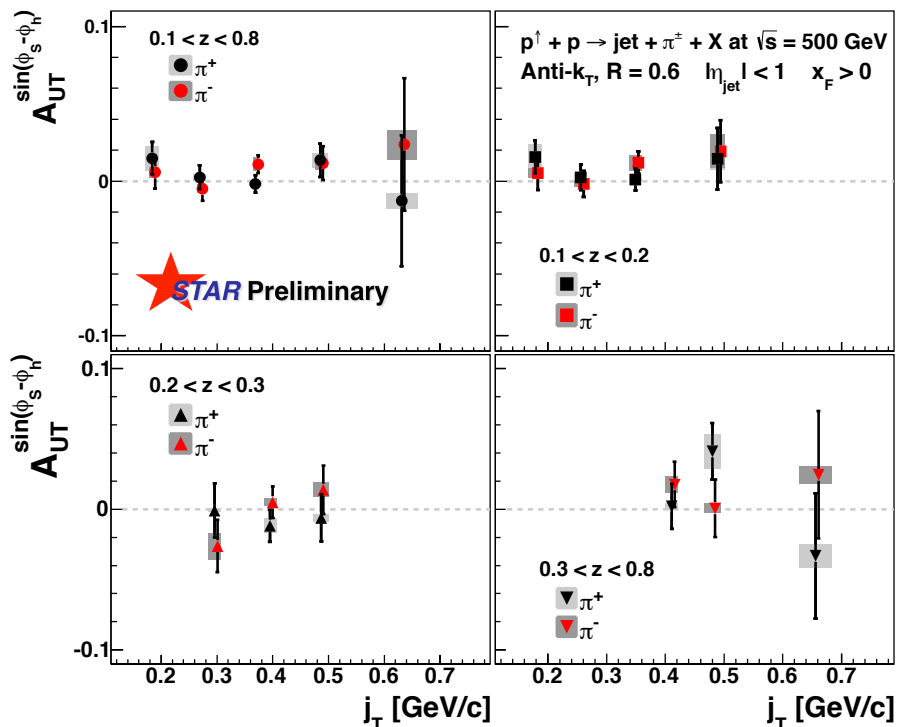
Measured asymmetries shown for $-1 < \eta < 1$ in z -bins
Consistently below 2% maximum from model

Collins-like Asymmetries at 500 GeV



Similarly, no large effect observed as a function of jet p_T
 Measured asymmetries shown for $-1 < \eta < 1$ in z -bins

Collins Asymmetries



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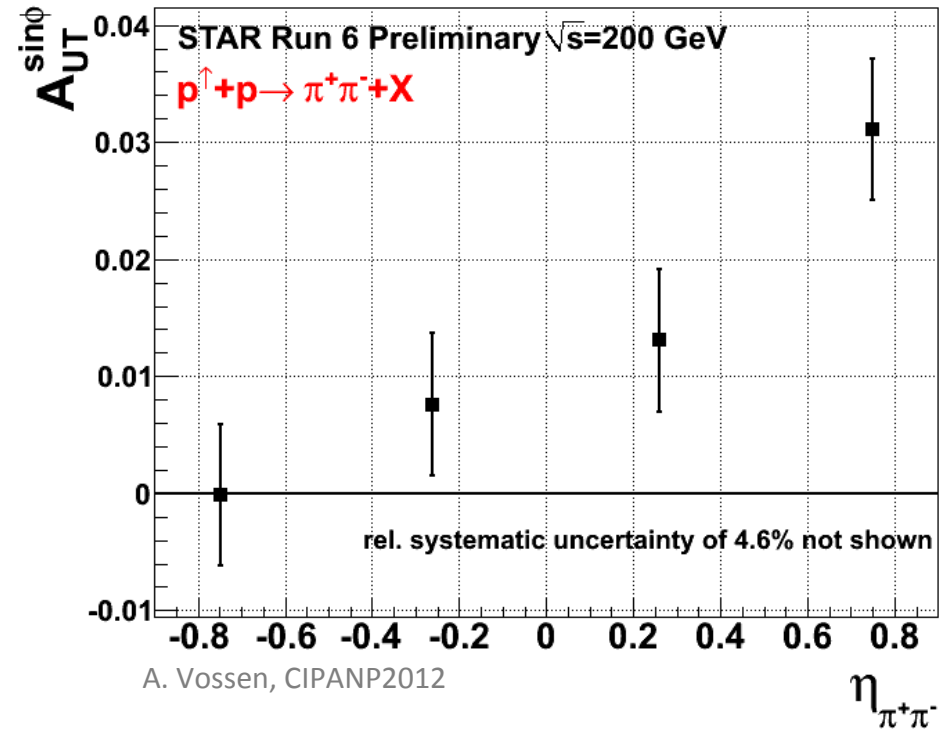
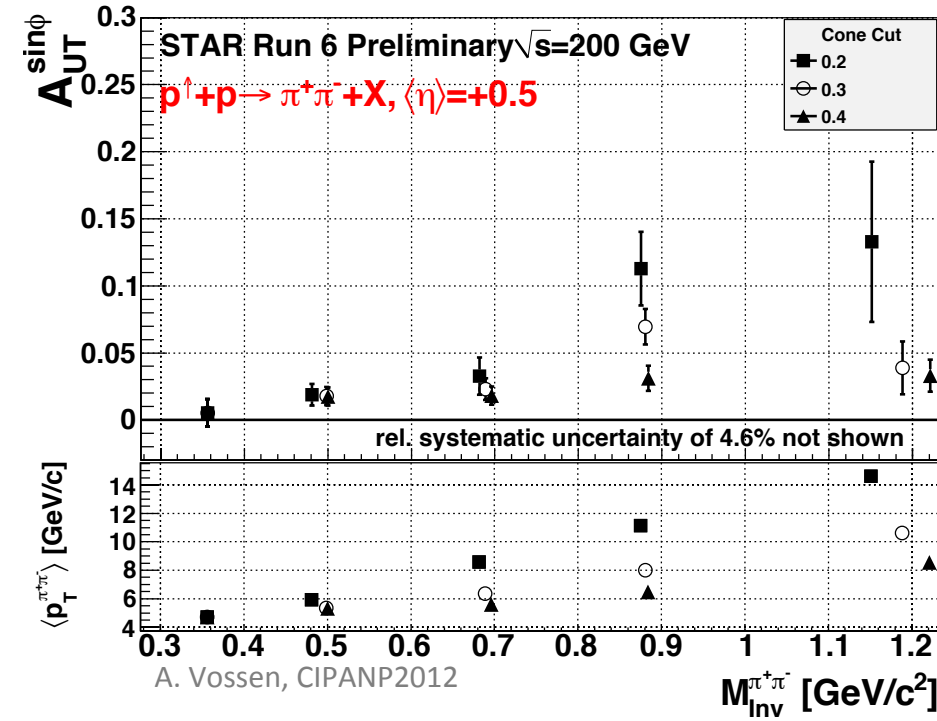
Present model predictions expect negligible effects for A_{UT} vs. j_T integrated over $z > 0.1$

Measured asymmetries shown for $x_F > 0$ (i.e. $0 < \eta_{\text{jet}} < 1$) in z -bins

No sign of non-zero asymmetry as a function of j_T or jet p_T

Similarly, no sign of positive effect for backward region ($x_F < 0$), as expected

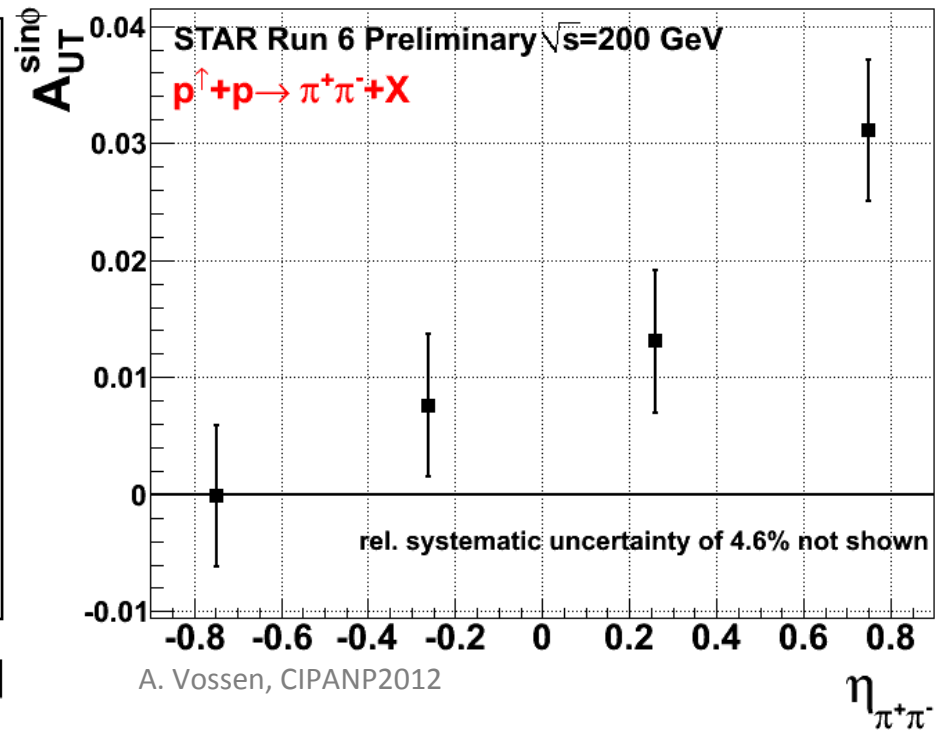
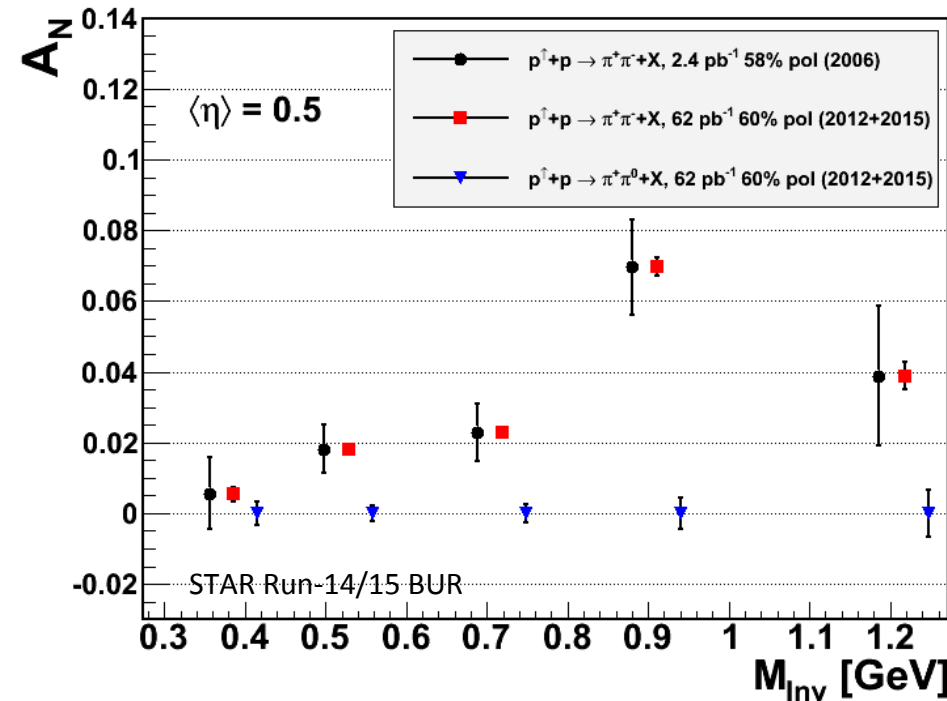
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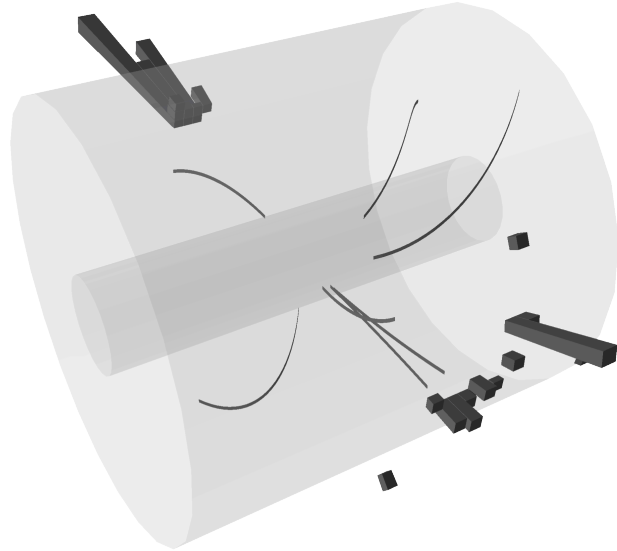
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2012+15: opportunity for much higher precision

Analysis of 2012 data underway

Jet Reconstruction in STAR

STAR Di-jet event at detector-level



e.g. Anti- k_T algorithm (2011 results)
JHEP 0804, 063 (2008)

Radius parameter $R = 0.6$

Use **PYTHIA** + **GEANT** to quantify detector response

π^\pm Kinematic Variables

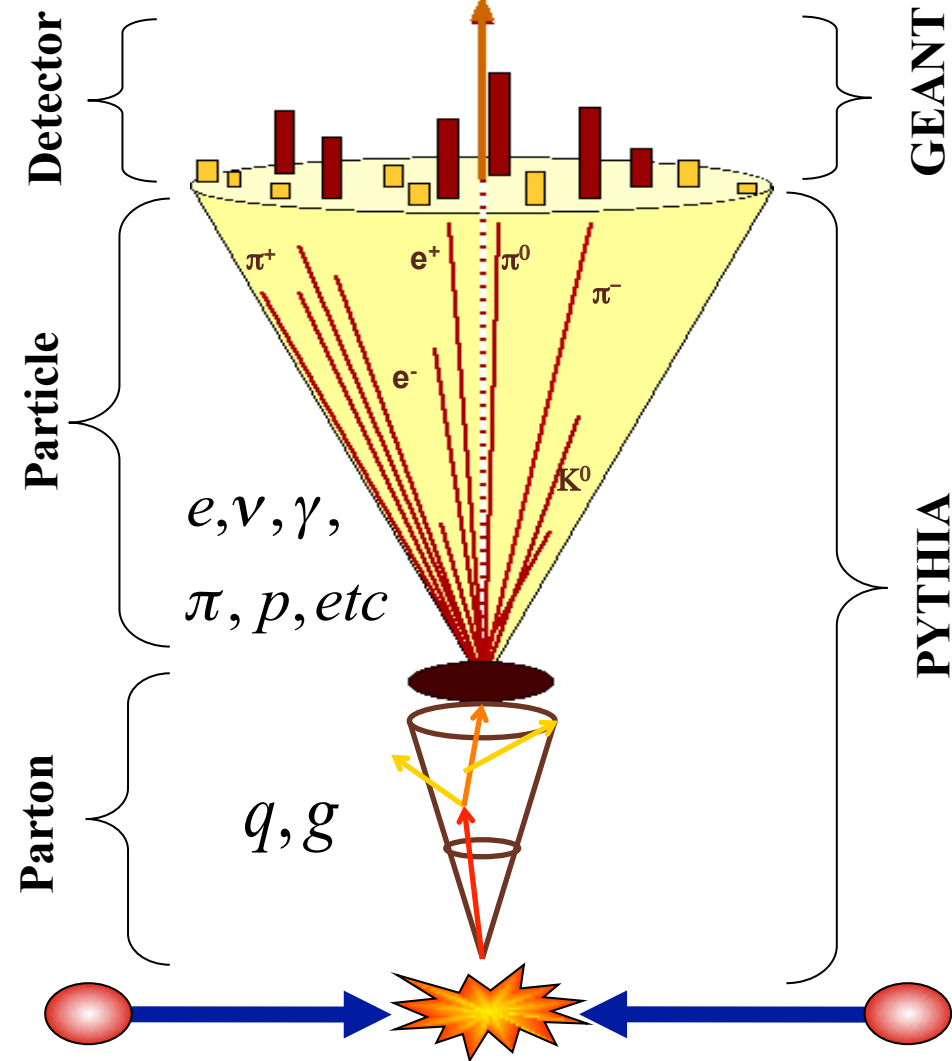
z – π momentum / jet momentum

j_T – π p_T relative to jet axis

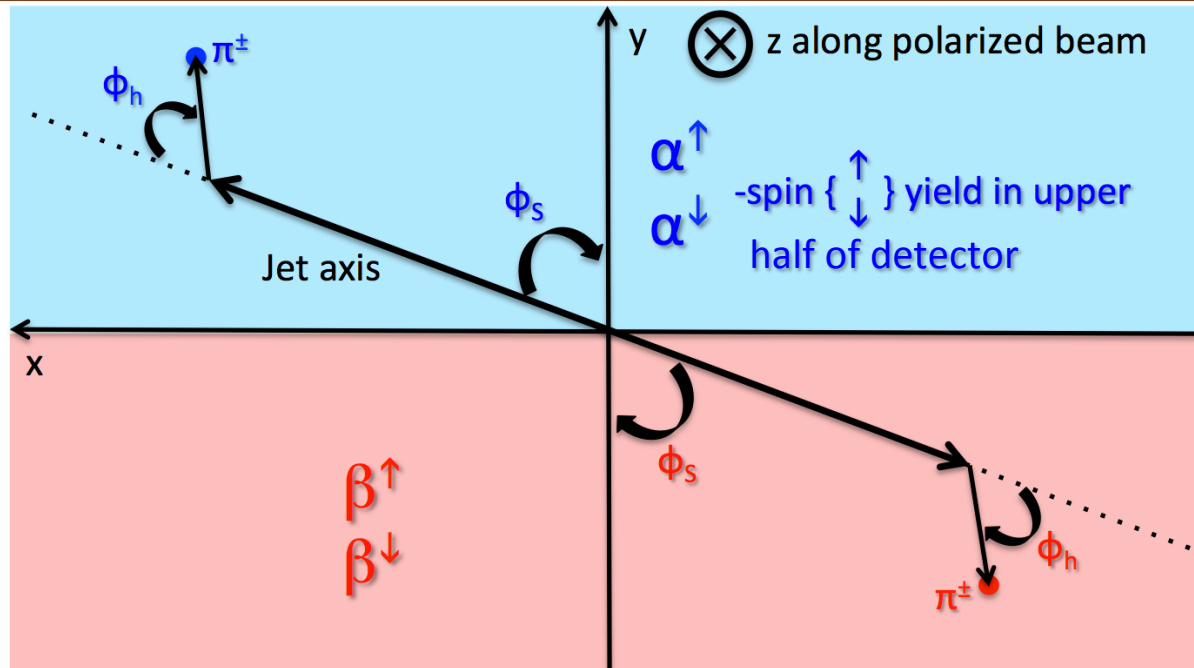
Data jets

Jet direction

MC jets



Asymmetry Measurements

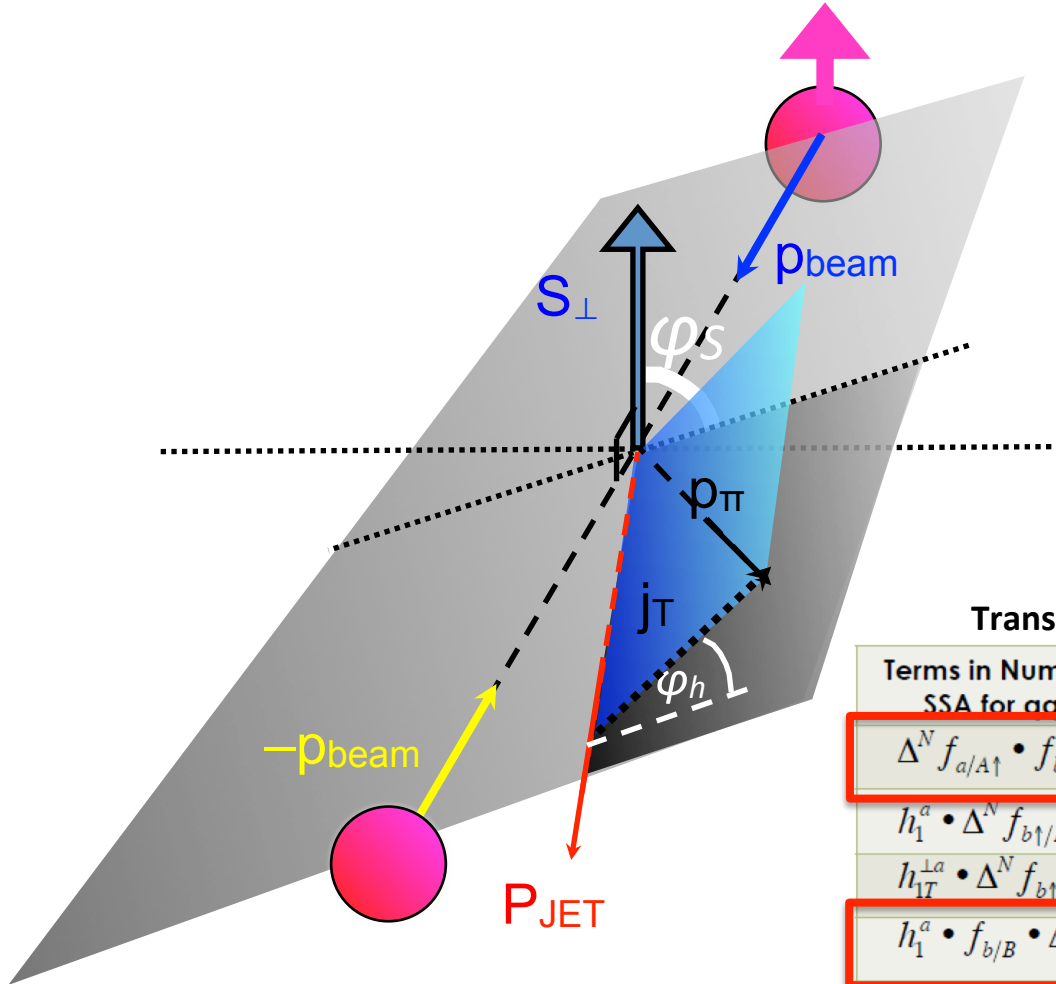


α and β yields are functions of $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \Delta\phi = \phi_S - \phi_h \\ \phi_S \end{array} \right\}$ integrated over $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \phi_S \\ \Delta\phi \end{array} \right\}$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{1}{P} \frac{\sqrt{\alpha^\uparrow \beta^\downarrow} - \sqrt{\alpha^\downarrow \beta^\downarrow}}{\sqrt{\alpha^\uparrow \beta^\downarrow} + \sqrt{\alpha^\downarrow \beta^\downarrow}}$$

For uniform acceptance: $\varepsilon \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \Delta\phi \\ \phi_S \end{array} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} A_{Collins} \sin(\Delta\phi) \\ A_{Sivers} \sin(\phi_S) \end{array} \right\}$

Transverse Asymmetries from Jet Production



Asymmetry moments sensitive to various contributions (analogous moments sensitive to gluon scattering)

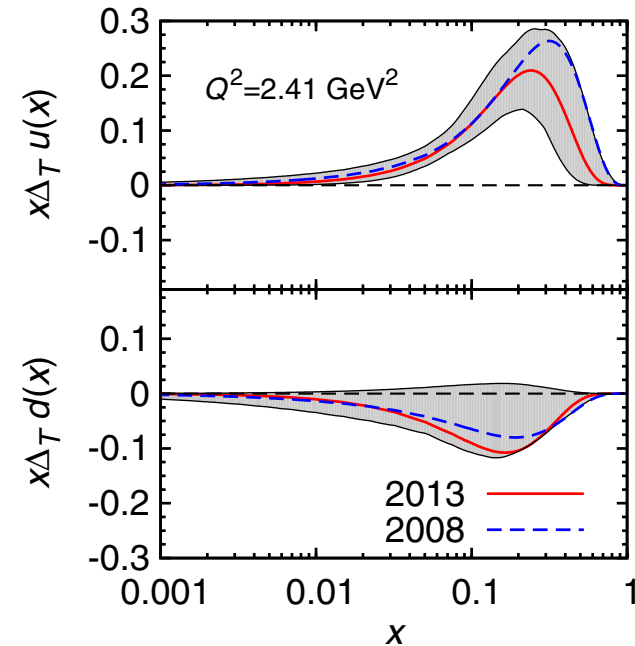
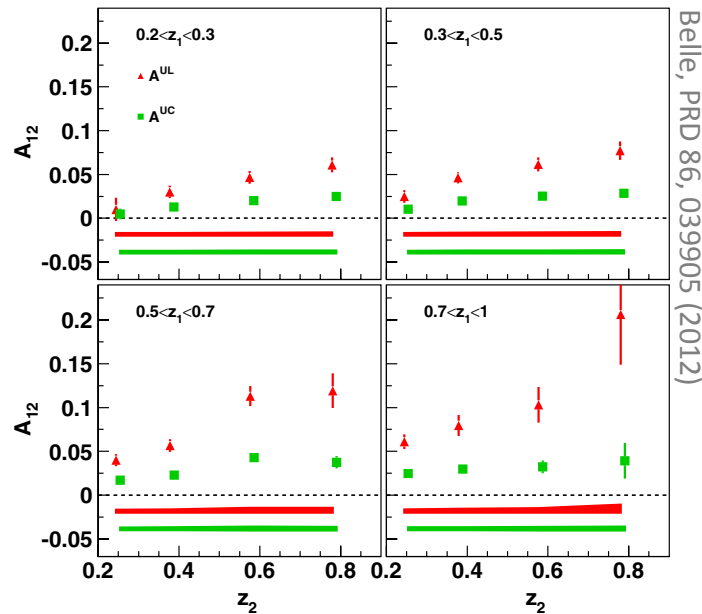
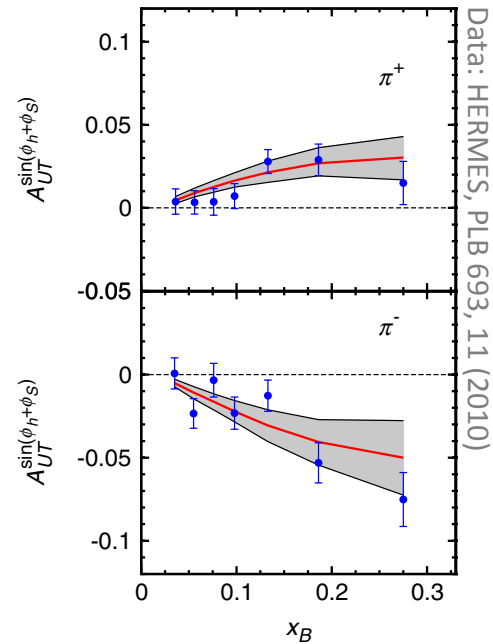
A_{UT} – Transverse single-spin asymmetry (also written A_N)

Transverse Momentum Dependent (TMD) Approach

Terms in Numerator of TMD SSA for qq scattering	English Names	Modulate
$\Delta^N f_{a/A\uparrow} \cdot f_{b/B} \cdot D_{\pi/q}$	Sivers • PDF • FF	$\sin(\varphi_{S_A})$
$h_1^a \cdot \Delta^N f_{b\uparrow/B} \cdot D_{\pi/q}$	Transversity • Boer-Mulders • FF	$\sin(\varphi_{S_A})$
$h_{1T}^{\perp a} \cdot \Delta^N f_{b\uparrow/B} \cdot D_{\pi/q}$	Pretzelosity • Boer-Mulders • FF	$\sin(\varphi_{S_A})$
$h_1^a \cdot f_{b/B} \cdot \Delta D_{\pi/q\uparrow}$	Transversity • PDF • Collins	$\sin(\varphi_{S_A} - \varphi_\pi)$
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$h_{1T}^{\perp a} \cdot f_{b/B} \cdot \Delta D_{\pi/q\uparrow}$	Pretzelosity • PDF • Collins	$\sin(\varphi_{S_A} + \varphi_\pi)$
$\Delta f_{a/A\uparrow}^N \cdot \Delta^N f_{b\uparrow/B} \cdot \Delta D_{\pi/q\uparrow}$	Sivers • Boer-Mulders • Collins	$\sin(\varphi_{S_A} + \varphi_\pi)$

F. Yuan, PRL 100, 032003 (2008)
D'Alesio et al., PRD 83, 034021 (2011)

SIDIS Results: Sivers and Collins Asymmetries



Global Analysis

- Factorized functional form for Collins F.F. and transversity
- Simultaneous extraction of Collins F.F. and transversity
 → tune to data from HERMES, COMPASS, and Belle

Opportunities with p+p:

Expanded kinematics? Tests of Q^2 ? Evolution? Universality?