

Transverse Single Spin Asymmetries of Forward π^0 and Jet-like Events in $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV Polarized Proton Collisions at STAR

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TSSA in SIDIS & Polarized pp Collisions

- The observation of non-trivial transverse spin asymmetries of particle productions in SIDIS and polarized pp collisions provides a good testbed for our knowledge of QCD at amplitude level.

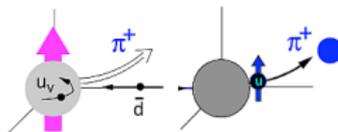
TMD factorization: hadrons in SIDIS, W/Z, di-jet in pp

twist-3 collinear factorization: direct γ , inclusive jet/hadron in pp

$$T_F^q(x, x) = - \int d^2 \vec{p}_\perp \frac{\vec{p}_\perp^2}{M} f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x, \vec{p}_\perp^2)|_{SIDIS}$$

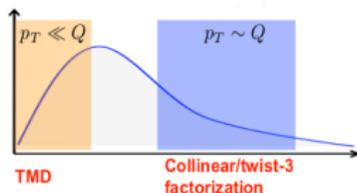
$$f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x, \vec{p}_\perp^2)|_{SIDIS} = -f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x, \vec{p}_\perp^2)|_{DY} = -f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x, \vec{p}_\perp^2)|_{W^\pm/Z^0}$$

- The origin of transverse spin asymmetries provides insights into the spin structure of nucleon



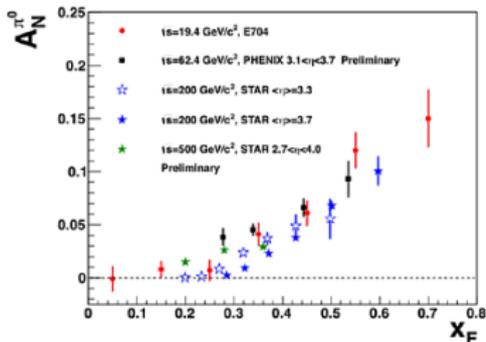
$$\sigma(p_h, s_\perp) \propto f_{a/A^\uparrow}(x, k_\perp) \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{parton} \otimes D_{h/c}(z, p_\perp)$$

$$\sigma(s_T) \sim \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{(a)} \\ \text{(c)} \end{array} \right|^2 \rightarrow \Delta\sigma(s_T) \sim \text{Re}[(a)] \cdot \text{Im}[(c)]$$



Forward TSSA in Polarized pp Collisions

A_N of inclusive particle productions



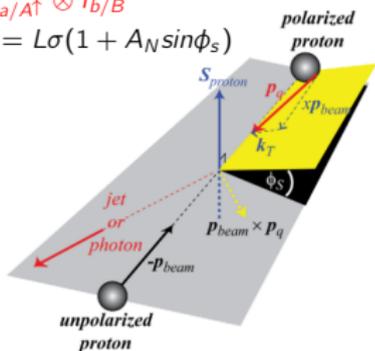
$$N_{\phi_{\pi^0}} = L\sigma(1 + A_N \sin\phi_{\pi^0}^S)$$

Possible event topology dependence

A_N forward jet-like events

$$\Delta^N f_{a/A^{\uparrow}} \otimes f_{b/B}$$

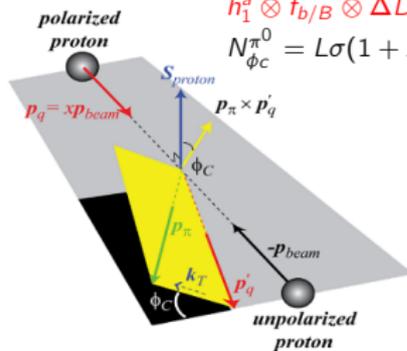
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$A_{UT}^{Collins}$ of π^0 within jets

$$h_1^a \otimes f_{b/B} \otimes \Delta D_{\pi/q^{\uparrow}}$$

$$N_{\phi_C}^{\pi^0} = L\sigma(1 + A_{UT} \sin(\phi_S - \phi_h))$$

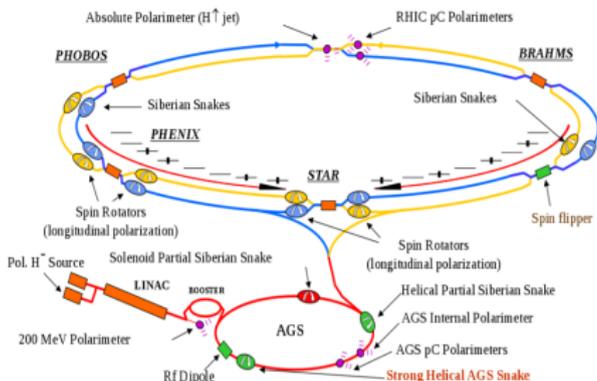


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The Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider



- Alternating spin orientations bunch-by-bunch
- Different spin patterns fill-to-fill
- Helical magnets in AGS & RHIC to preserve polarization
- Spin rotators in each IP to choose transverse/longitudinal pol.



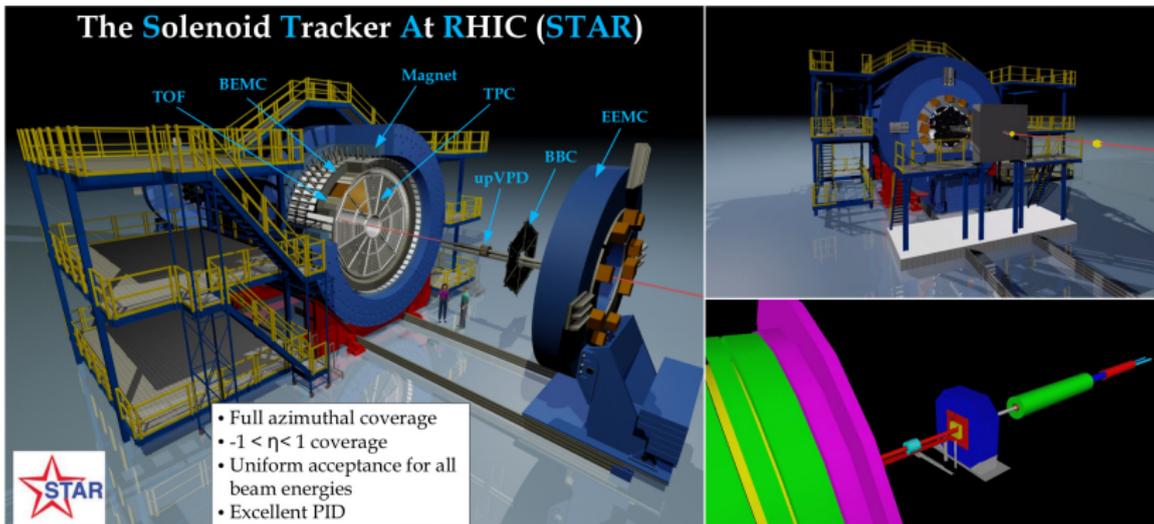
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STAR Detector

The Solenoid Tracker At RHIC (STAR)



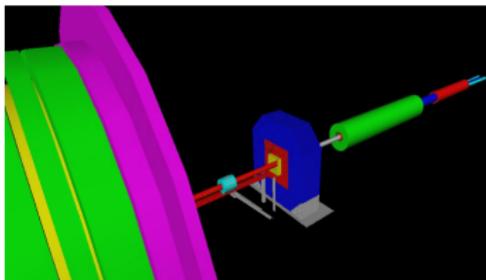
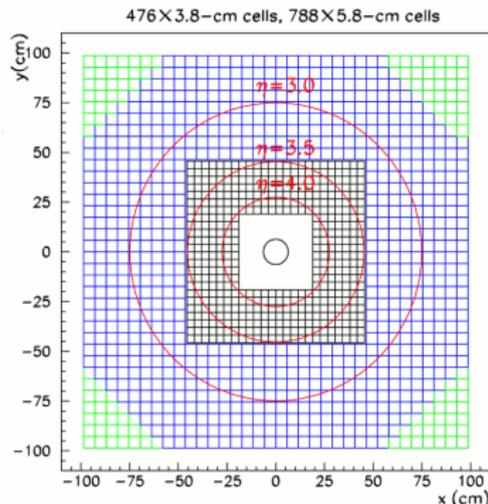
Detector capabilities

- Central ($-1 < \eta < 1$): π^\pm /K/p ID by TPC dE/dX and TOF, e^\pm/γ by EMCAL
- Mid-Forward ($1 < \eta < 2$): π^0 , η , direct γ from Endcap-EMCAL
- Forward ($2.5 < \eta < 4.0$): π^0 , η , EM-jets by Forward Meson Spectrometer



STAR Forward Meson Spectrometer

- Pb Glass calorimeter provides EM coverage in $2.5 < \eta < 4.0$
- small cells: $3.81 \times 3.81 \text{ cm}^2$
large cells: $5.81 \times 5.81 \text{ cm}^2$
- detect π^0 , η and jet-like events



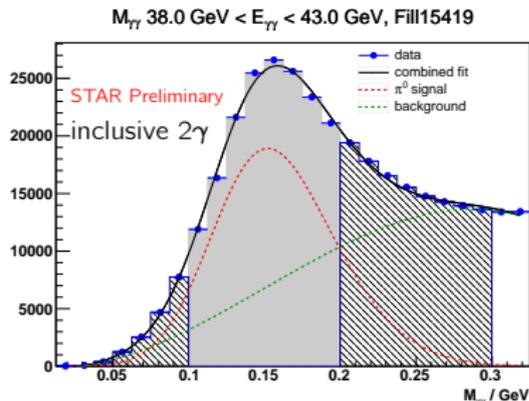
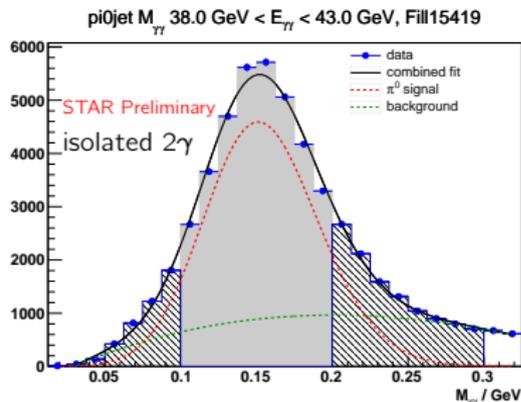
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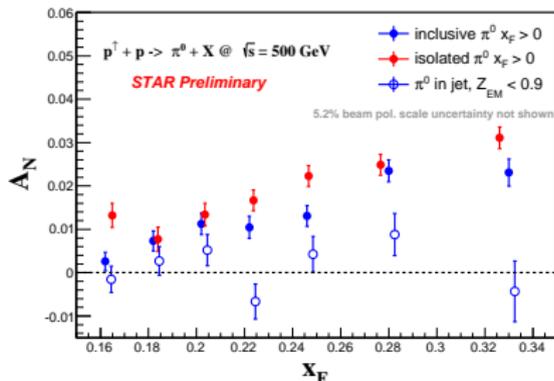
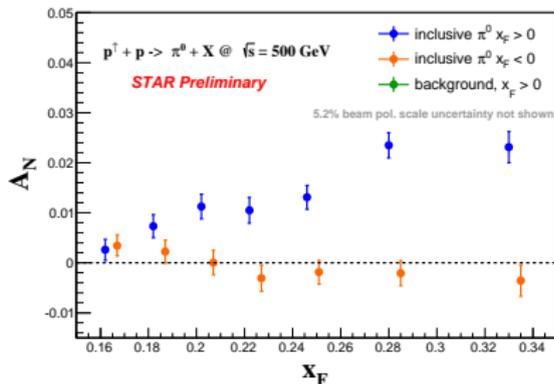
A_N of inclusive and isolated π^0

- 2011 dataset with $\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$, $\mathcal{L} = 22 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ and beam polarization 52.3%
 - Isolation defined by *anti- k_T* jet algorithm with $R = 0.7$
 - A_N of inclusive π^0 is calculated by statistically subtracting off bkg. asymmetries from all possible photon pairs regardless of isolation
- $$A_N^{tot} = f_{sig} A_N^{\pi^0} + (1 - f_{sig}) A_N^{bkg}$$
- Signal/bkg. shapes are derived from simulation but allowed to vary during the fit

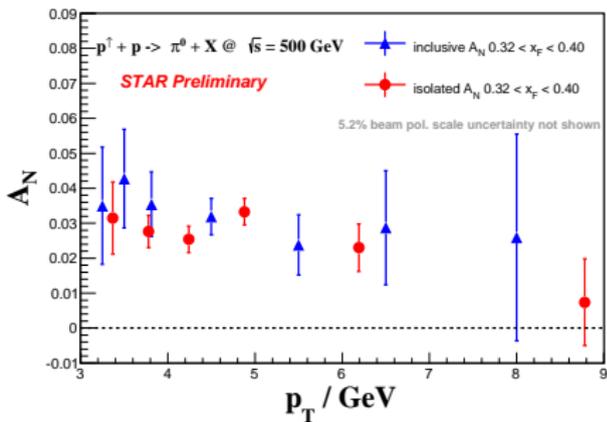
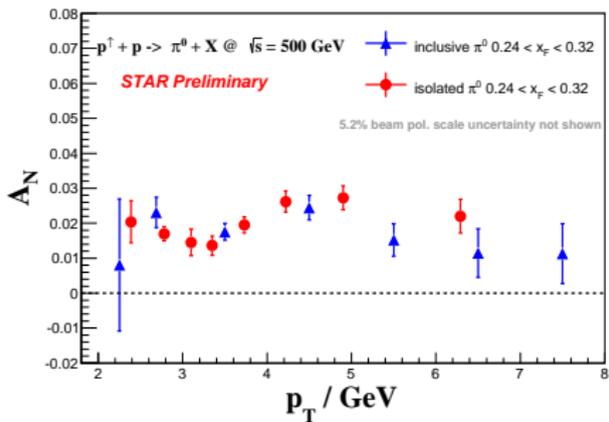


A_N of inclusive and isolated π^0 -event topology dependence

- Calculated A_N for jet-isolated π^0 , background subtracted A_N for inclusive π^0 and π^0 in EM-jet
- Isolation defined by *anti-k_T* jet algorithm with $R = 0.7$
- Longitudinal momentum fraction Z of π^0 is calculated w.r.t the EM-jet as Z_{EM}
- Asymmetries of less exclusively produced π^0 ($Z_{EM} < 0.9$) is smaller than isolated π^0



A_N of inclusive and isolated π^0 - p_T dependence

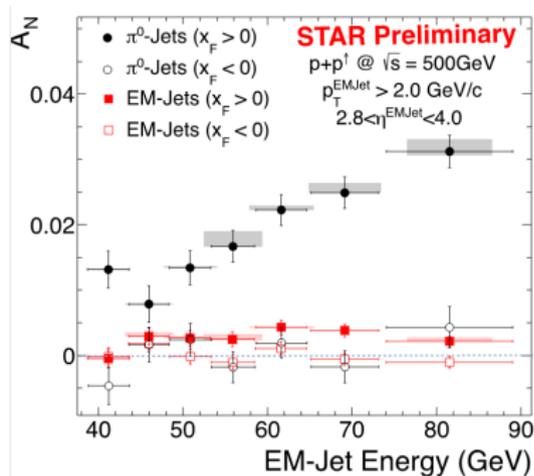


- Uncertainties for inclusive π^0 is larger due to background subtraction process
- Possible hints of falling A_N at high p_T



A_N for forward jet-like events

- Apply Anti- k_T jet algorithm on FMS photons, $R = 0.7$
- Isolated π^0 has larger asymmetries than EM-jet which contains more than two photons

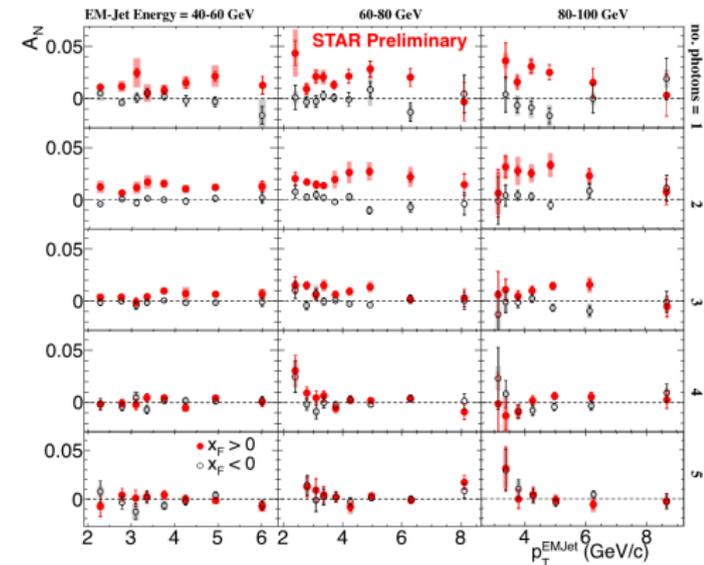


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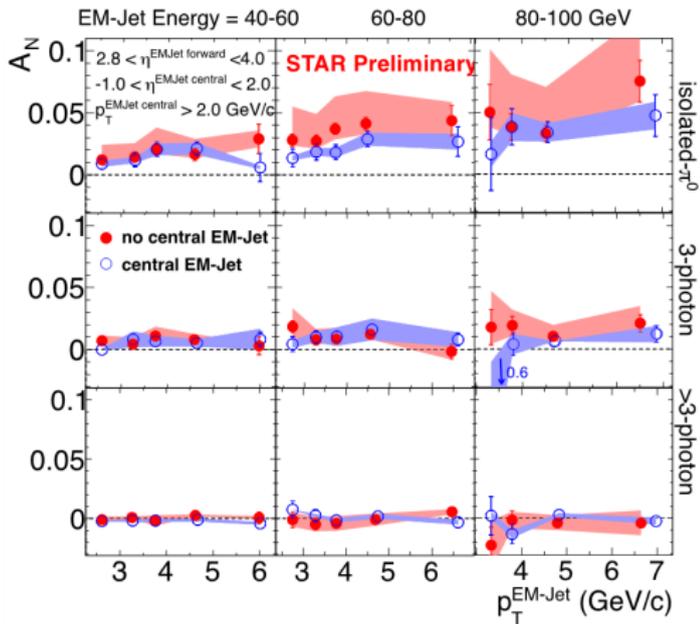
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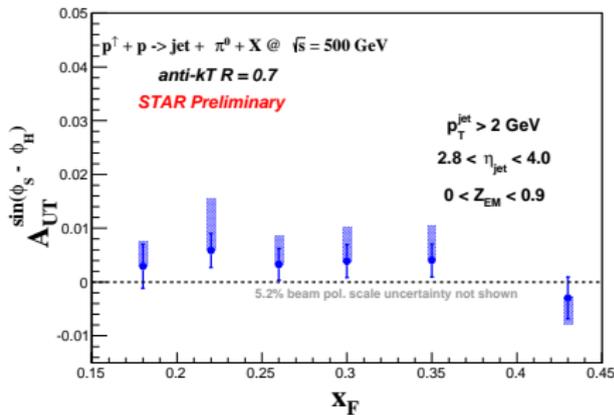
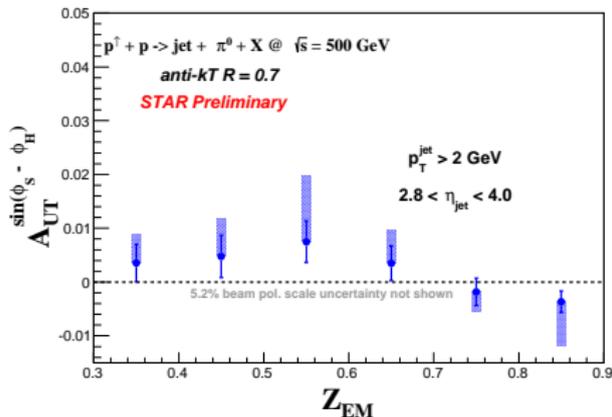
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with and without a central EM-jet $p_T^{EMjet} > 2.0$ GeV



Collins asymmetries for π^0 in EM-jets



- background asymmetries are subtracted statistically
- Z of π^0 is calculated w.r.t the EM-jet
- one-sided systematic uncertainty accounts for the reduction of amplitude due to Collins angle resolutions and the use of only EM components of the jet
- hints of possible non-zero Collins asymmetries of π^0

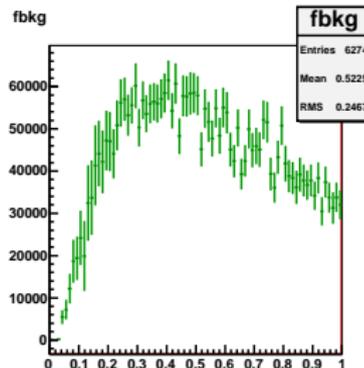
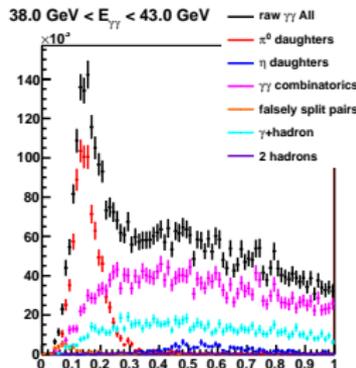
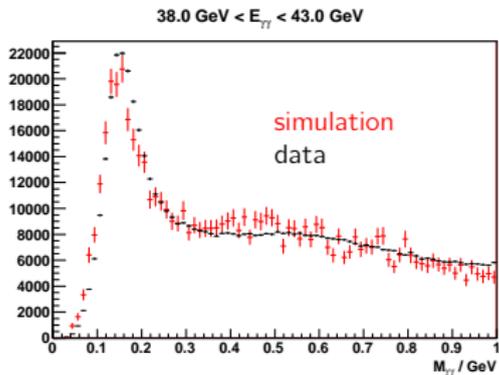


Summary

- STAR has measured transverse single spin asymmetries for forward inclusive π^0 , which can be readily compared with theory predictions
- Observed event topology dependence of π^0 single spin asymmetries: isolated π^0 has significantly higher asymmetries than less exclusively produced π^0 ($Z_{EM} < 0.9$)
Z dependence of A_N is too dramatic to be explained by simple 2-2 hard scattering. Possible contributions from diffractive production?
- Both Sivers & Collins-type asymmetries are small and not enough to explain the size of inclusive $\pi^0 A_N$
twist3 FF? Describe SIDIS and pp at the same time?

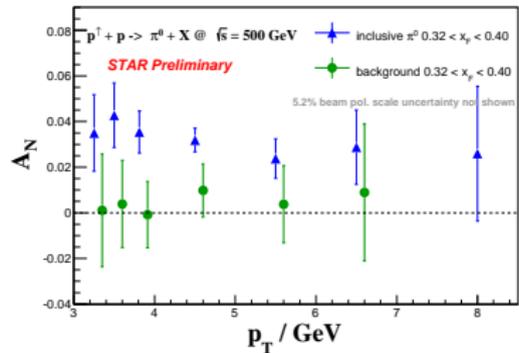
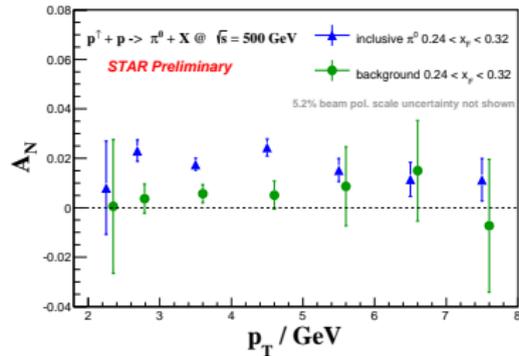
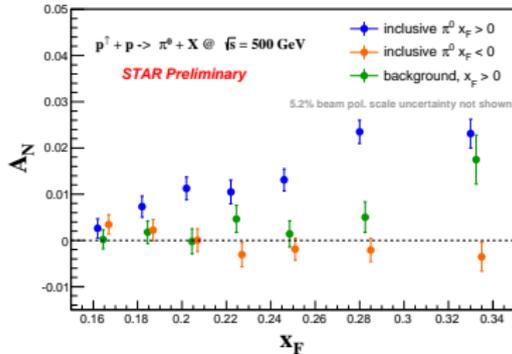


Backup -Extract signal & background shapes from simulation



Backup -Inclusive π^0 A_N and background asymmetries

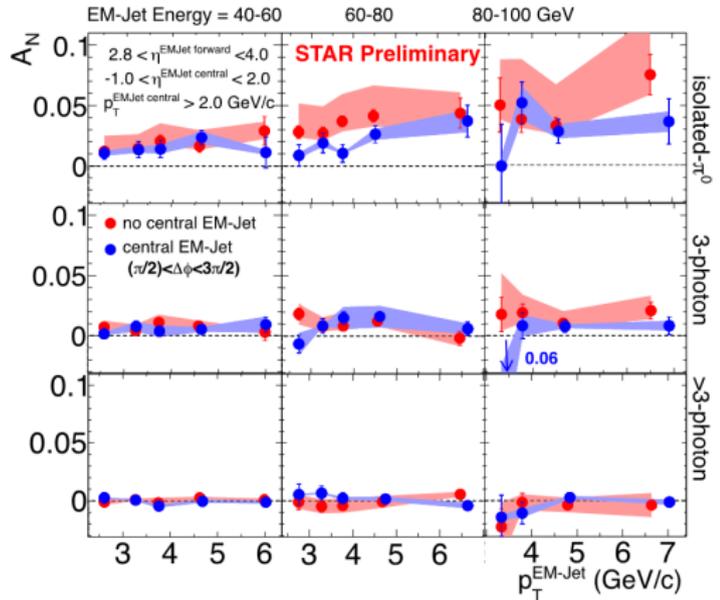
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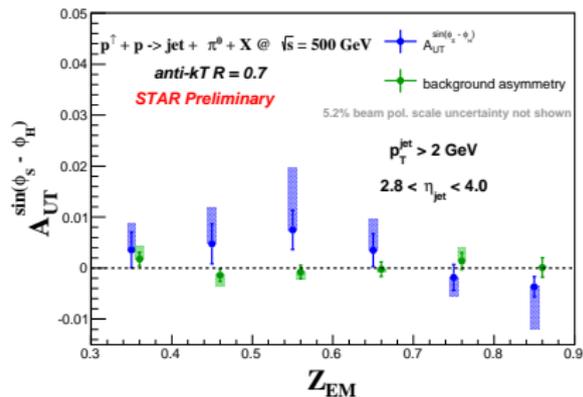
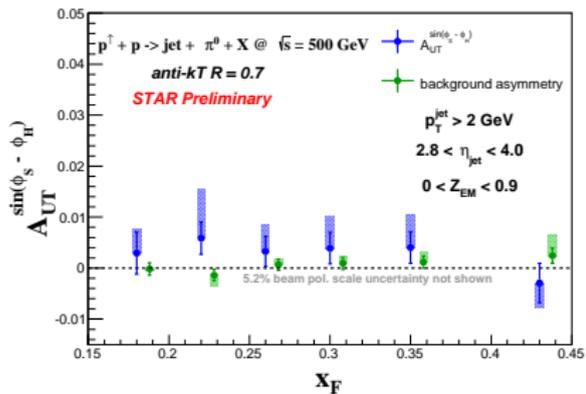


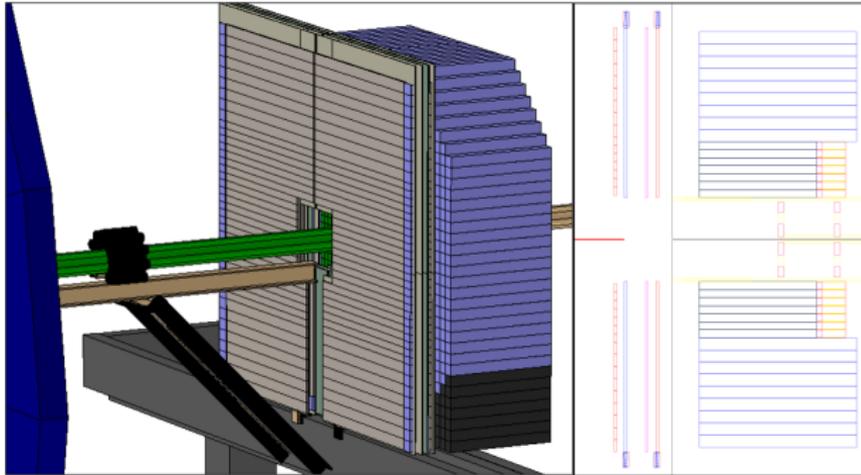
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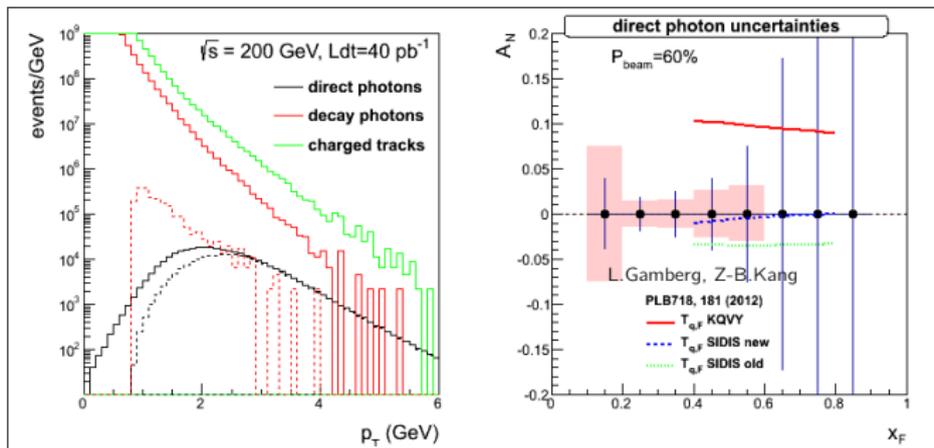
with and without a correlated central EM-jet on the away-side
 $p_T^{EMjet} > 2.0$ GeV



Backup -Inclusive π^0 A_{UT} and background asymmetries

Backup -Direct γ with FMS + Preshower detector for Run15

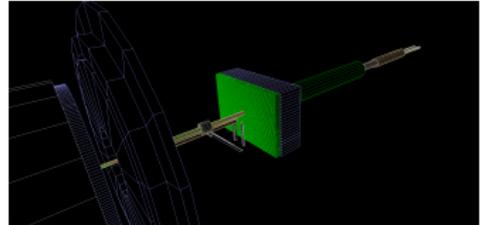
- FMS lead glass was exposed to sunlight to recover from radiation damage
- first two layers of preshower provides γ /charged-track separation and (x,y)
- 3rd layer of preshower separates electrons and γ from charged hadrons

Backup -Direct γ A_N for Run15

- $p^\uparrow + p @ \sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV, $\mathcal{L} = 40 \text{ pb}^{-1}$, $pol. = 60\%$
- track matching between FMS and layer1 & 2 of preshower
- $E_{\text{cluster}} > 15$ GeV, $p_T > 2.0$ GeV

Backup -Forward Tracking & Calorimeter System for 2020

- ECAL: W powder + scintillating filters
 $\sigma_E / E = 0.11/\sqrt{E} + 0.007$
- HCAL: Lead plates + scintillating tiles
 $\sigma_E / E = 0.58/\sqrt{E} + 0.007$
- Prototypes tested extensively at Fermilab



- Silicon micro-strip technology based on experience from STAR IST
- GEM technology from FGT design
- Still in early stage of development

