

Forward π^0 and η production in STAR at $\sqrt{s}= 500$ GeV with transversely polarized pp collisions

Transverse momentum Dependence of π^0 SSA in FMS Run 11 CIPANP

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- Background
 - Physics Questions
 - FMS History
- FMS Event Topology; Event Selection
- **Cross Ratio** method

vs.

$A(\phi)=A_N \cos(\phi)$ Fitting method

- Explore high statistics A_N for Run 11
 - P_T dependence for fixed X_F
 - Dependence on event topology



Proton Forward Scattering at High PT

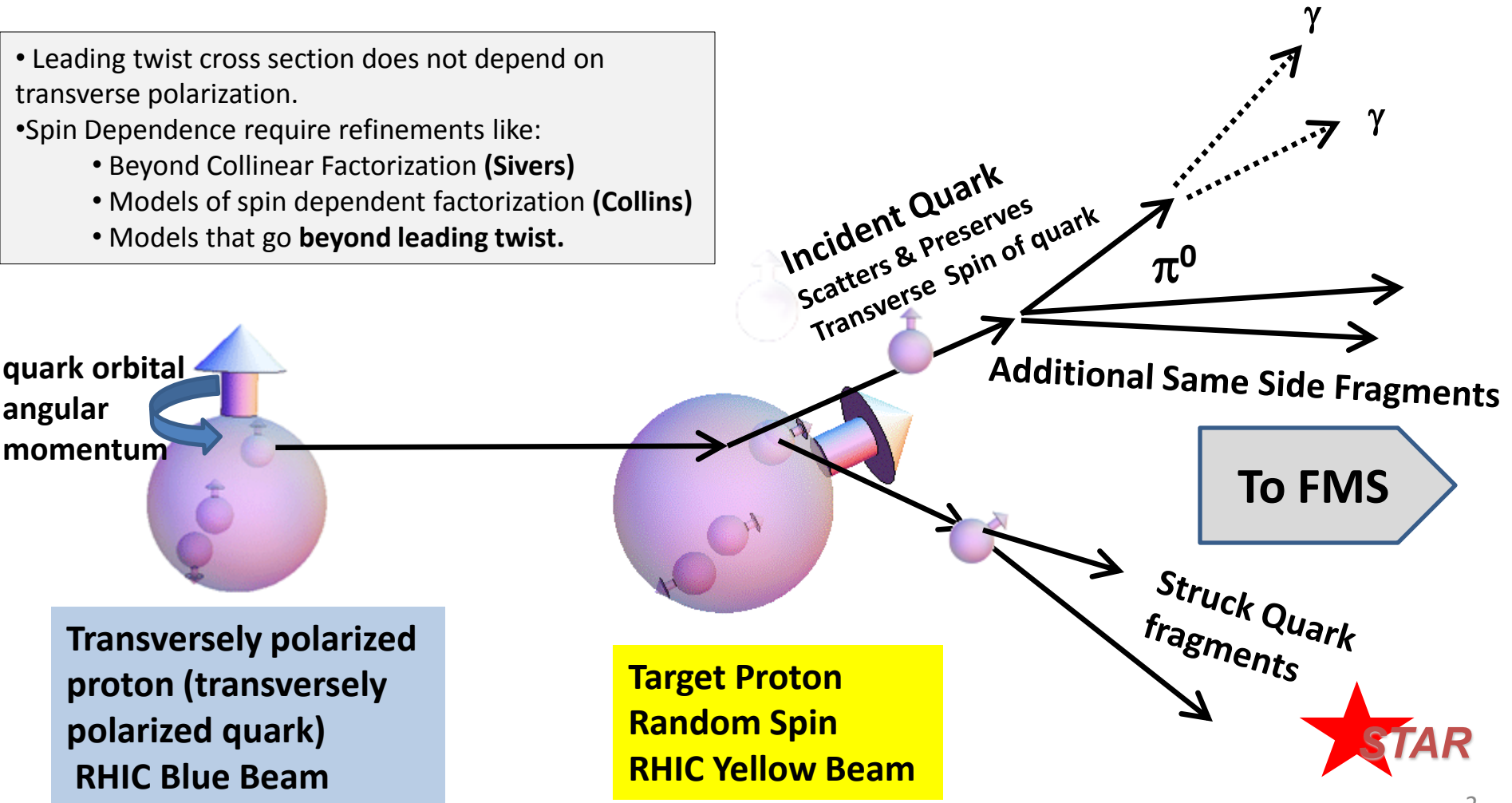
QCD Perspective

PQCD (Leading Twist):

Factorized Cross Section= (initial state) x (quark scattering) x (fragmentation)

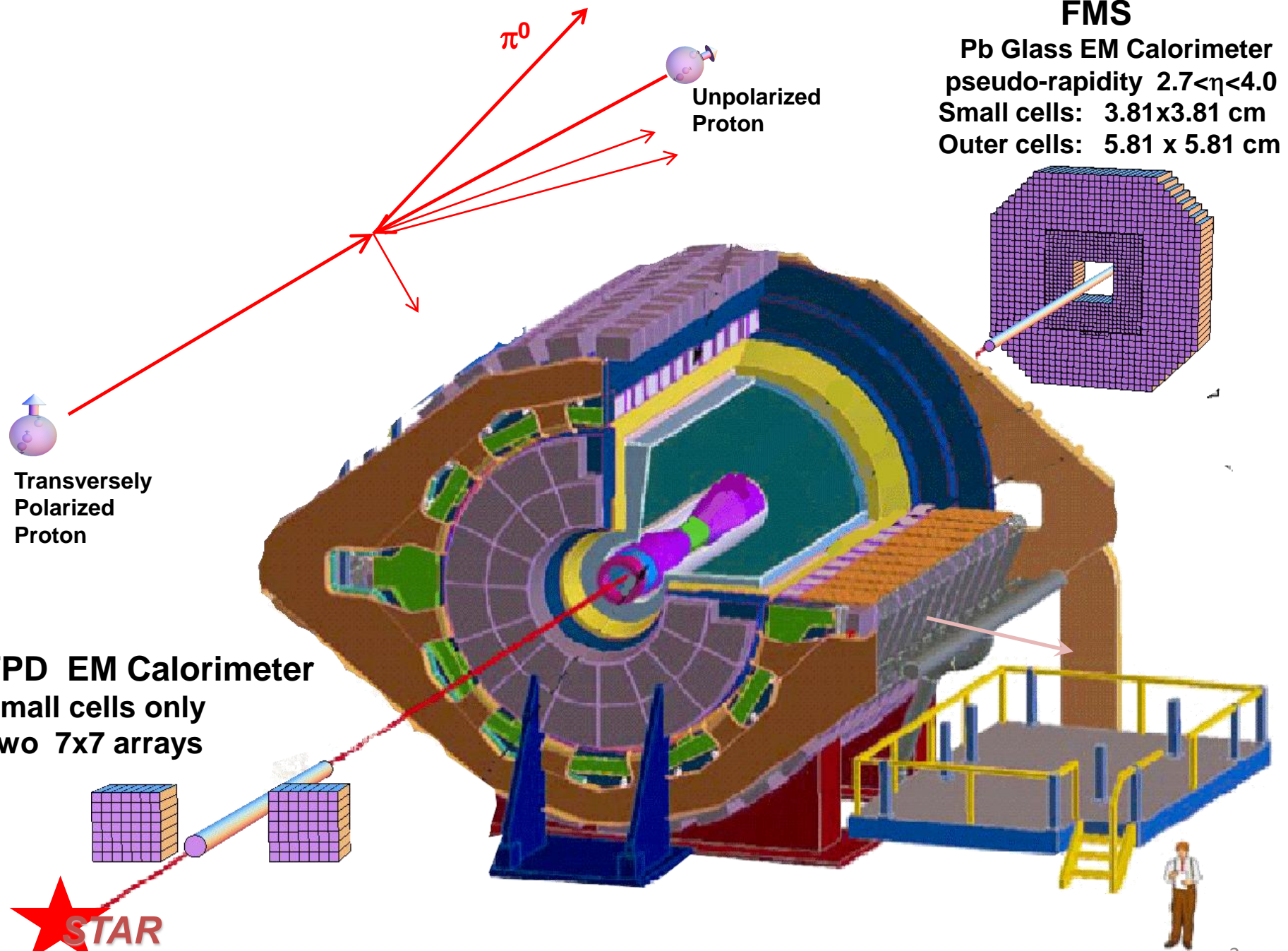
• Does good job of predicting the “> 90% “ of the cross section that does not depend on spin.

- Leading twist cross section does not depend on transverse polarization.
- Spin Dependence require refinements like:
 - Beyond Collinear Factorization (**Sivers**)
 - Models of spin dependent factorization (**Collins**)
 - Models that go **beyond leading twist**.



FMS

Pb Glass EM Calorimeter
pseudo-rapidity $2.7 < \eta < 4.0$
Small cells: 3.81x3.81 cm
Outer cells: 5.81 x 5.81 cm



Transversely Polarized Proton

Unpolarized Proton

π^0

FPD EM Calorimeter
Small cells only
Two 7x7 arrays



Forward EM Calorimetry In STAR.

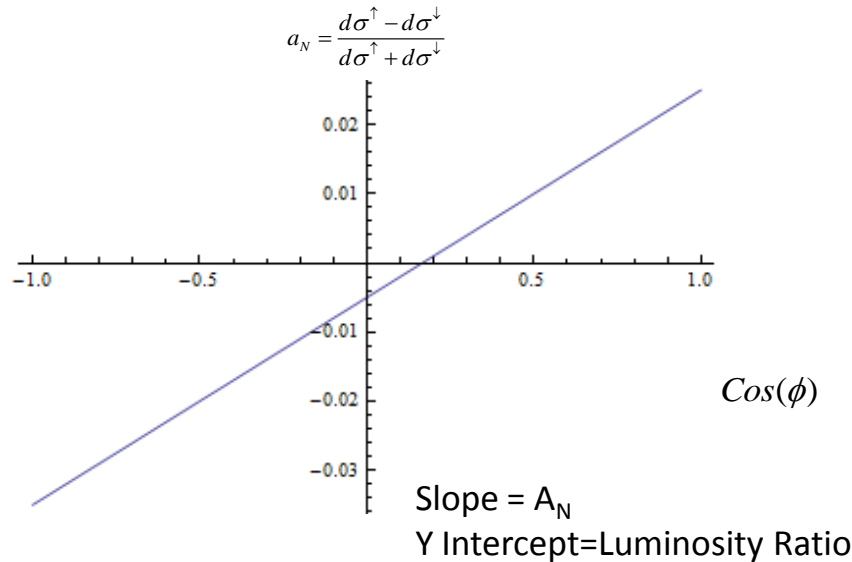
1) Cross Ratio Transverse Asymmetry

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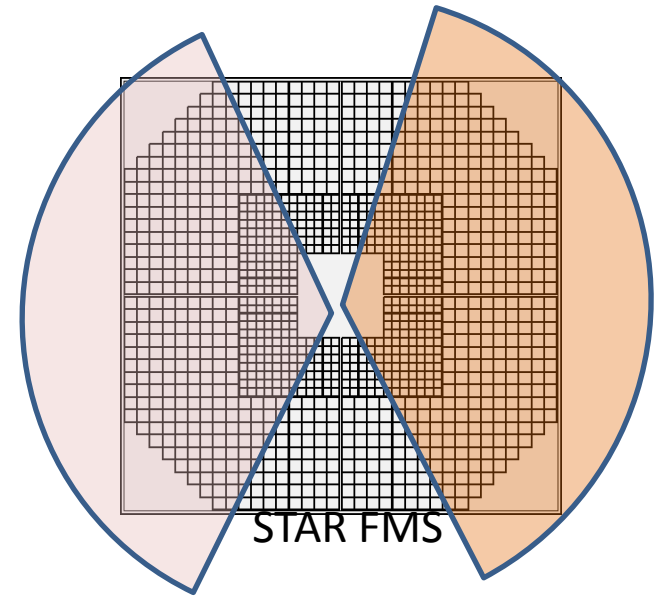
2) $A(\phi)$ Fit

Method 1:
Cross Ratio:

$$A_N = \frac{d\sigma^\uparrow - d\sigma^\downarrow}{d\sigma^\uparrow + d\sigma^\downarrow} \cong \frac{1}{P} \frac{\sqrt{N^\uparrow S^\downarrow} - \sqrt{S^\uparrow N^\downarrow}}{\sqrt{N^\uparrow S^\downarrow} + \sqrt{S^\uparrow N^\downarrow}}$$



Left(N): $\text{Cos}(\phi) < -0.5$



Right(S): $\text{Cos}(\phi) > 0.5$

Method 2: $a_N(\phi) = a_0 + A_N \cos(\phi)$

Fix a_0 for full data set

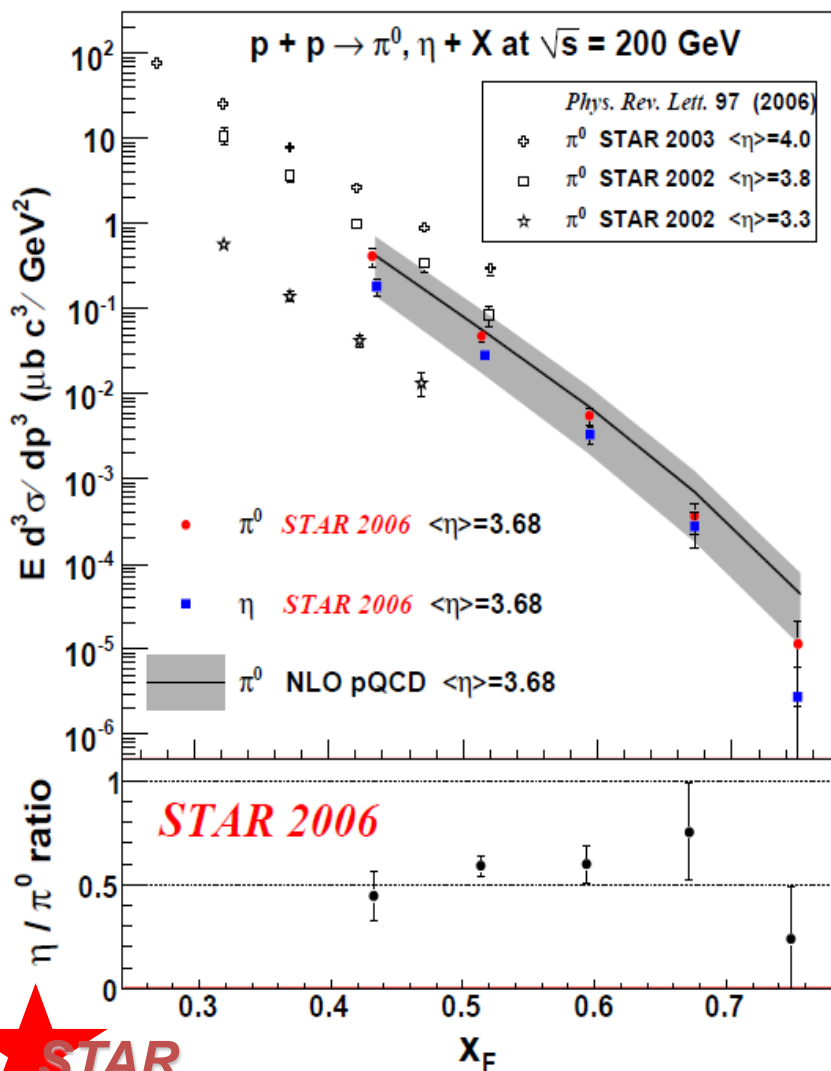
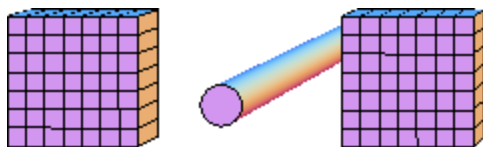
For many small data subsets one parameter fit for A_N

Advantage: Every fitted value of A_N comes with error and χ^2 .

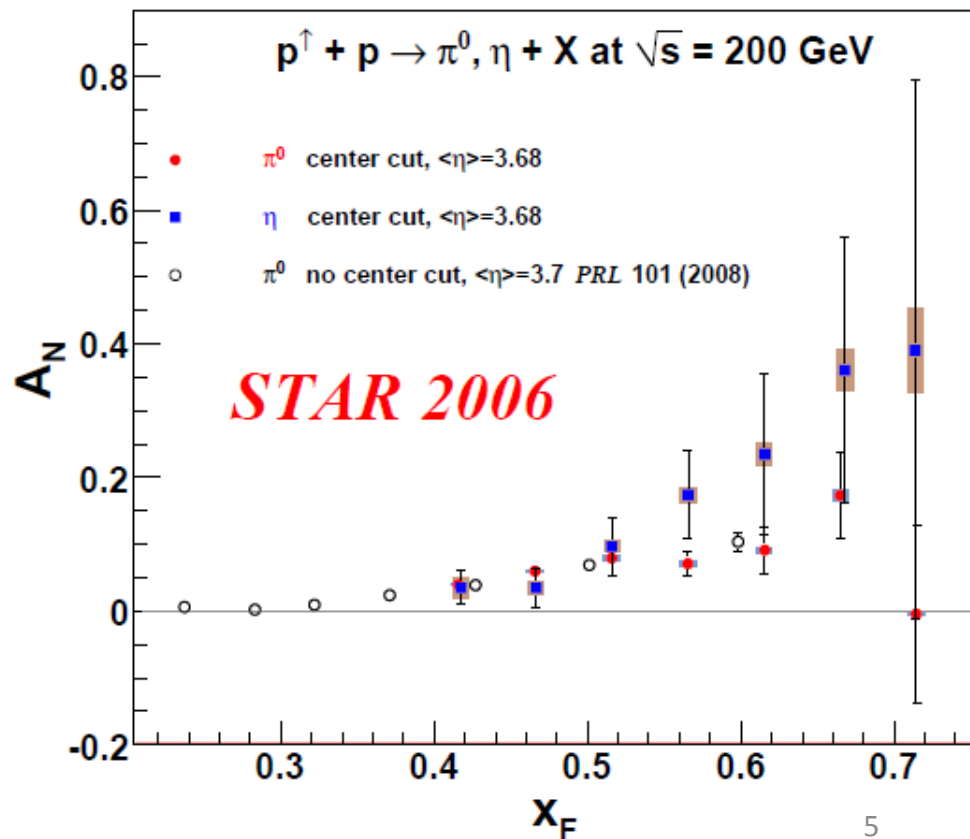


New paper on η/π^0 at $X_F > 0.5$

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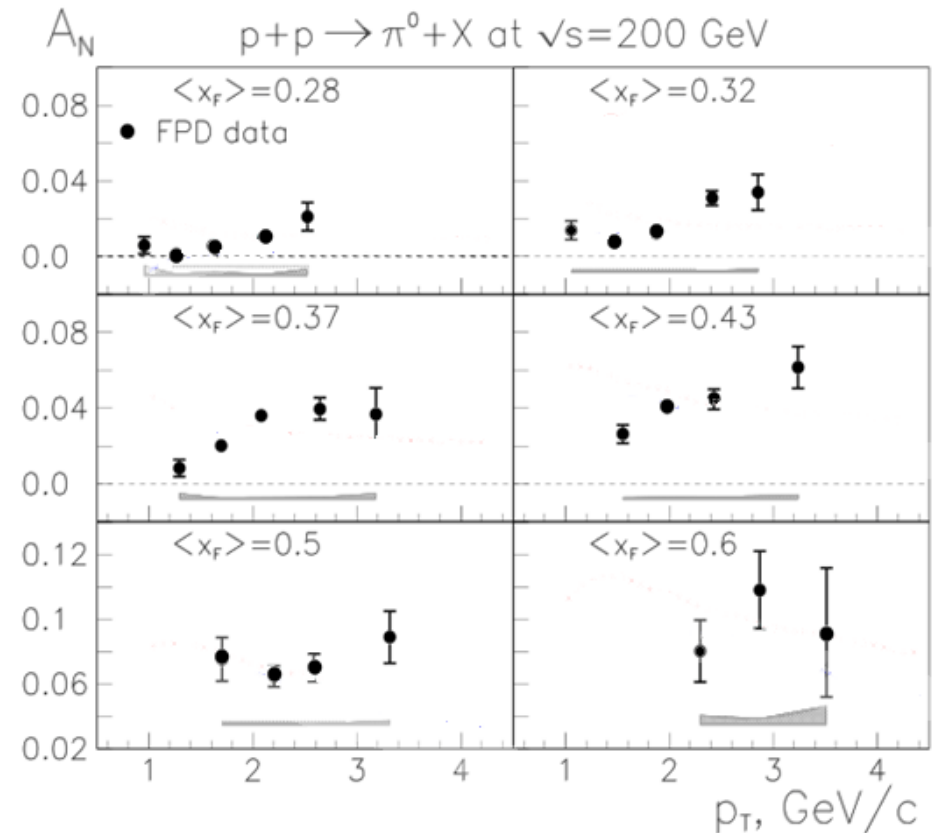
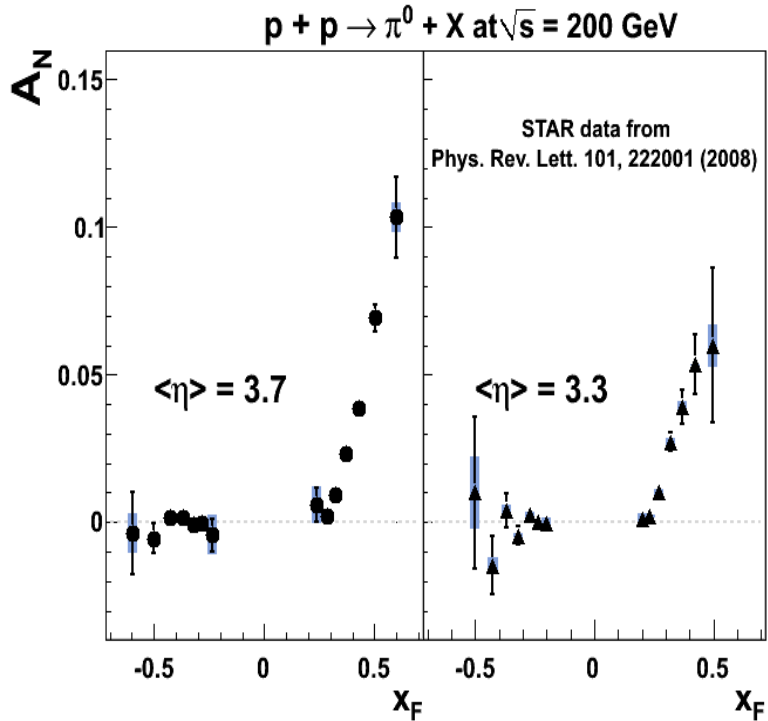
- π^0 cross section in **good agreement with PQCD calculation.**
- η / π^0 cross section ratio similar to that observed where jet fragmentation is dominant.
- $A_N(\eta) > A_N(\pi^0)$ for $X_F > 0.55$



STAR Published Run 6 (FPD $\sqrt{s} = 200\text{GeV}$)

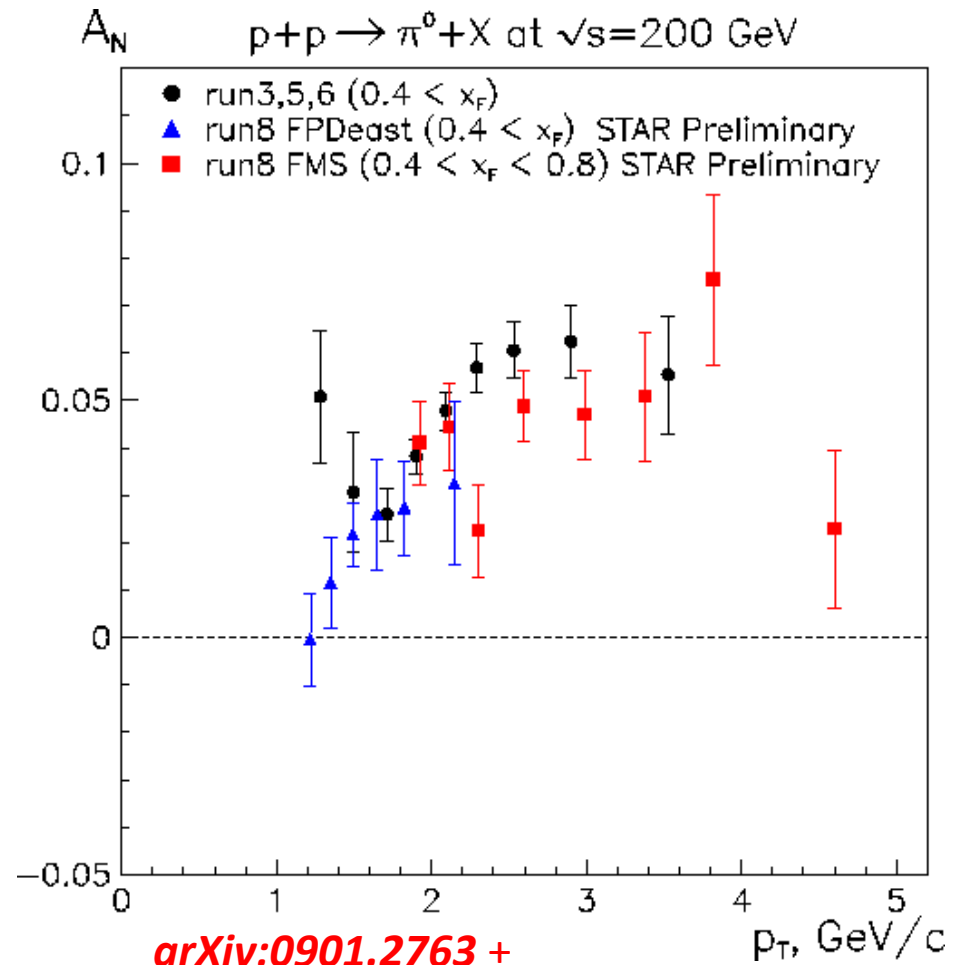
PRL 101, 222001 (2006)

- Rising A_N with X_F ($0 < X_F < 0.5$) from 0% to 5-10%
- No evidence of fall in A_N with increasing P_T up to $P_T \sim 3 \text{ GeV}/c$



From FMS Run 8, STAR has Expanded Rapidity Coverage $-1 < Y < 4.2$

STAR Forward Meson Spectrometer
 $2.5 < Y < 4.0$



[arXiv:0901.2763](https://arxiv.org/abs/0901.2763) +
A.Ogawa @CIPANP09

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Sivers Model: Initial quark picks up k_T from initial state wave function, **proportional to orbital angular momentum**.

Jet based Asymmetry, significant dependence of A_N on the details of near side jet fragments is not expected!

Collins Model: Final π^0 picks up k_T from **fragmentation of polarized quark**. Vanishing jet asymmetry. Observed A_N will depend on the details of near side fragmentation!

Transverse momentum $\mathbf{p}_T \implies \mathbf{p}_T \pm \mathbf{k}_T$
increases/decreases with transverse **spin up/down**

A toy model for proton
 Cross Section

$$\sigma(p_T) \sim \frac{(1-x_F)^5}{p_T^6}$$

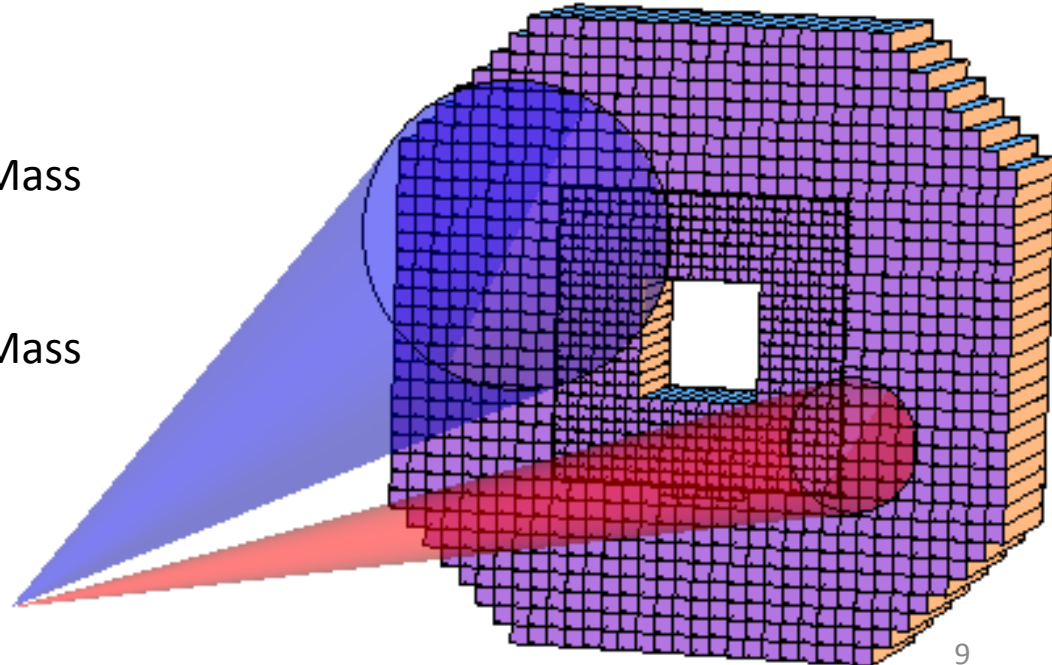
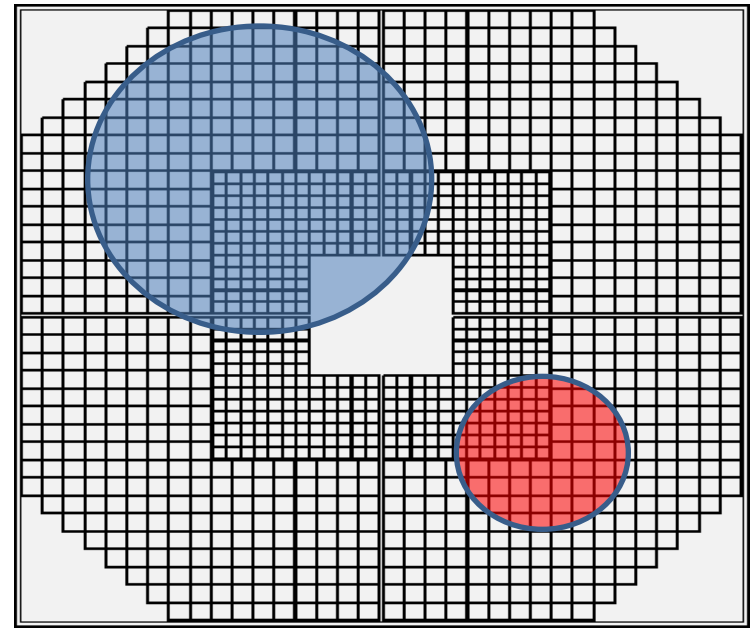
$$A_N \sim \frac{\sigma(p_T + k_T) - \sigma(p_T - k_T)}{2\sigma(p_T)} \sim \frac{6k_T}{p_T} \sim \frac{1}{p_T}$$

Similar transverse momentum dependence **for higher twist**.

Isolation of π^0 's

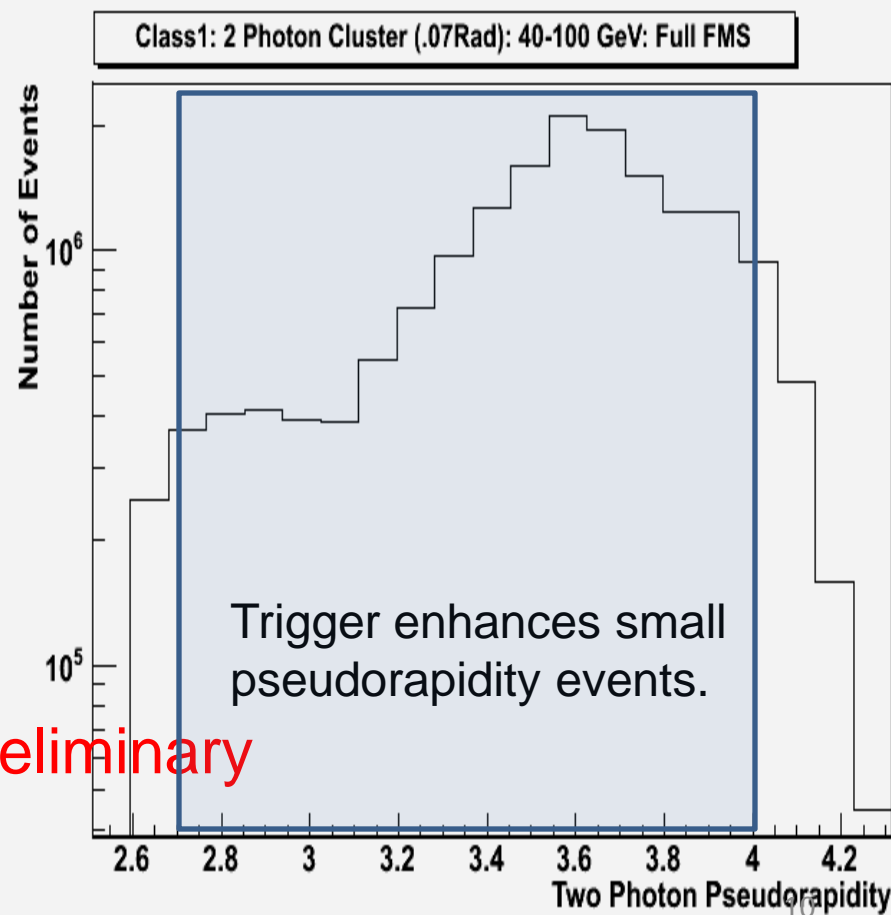
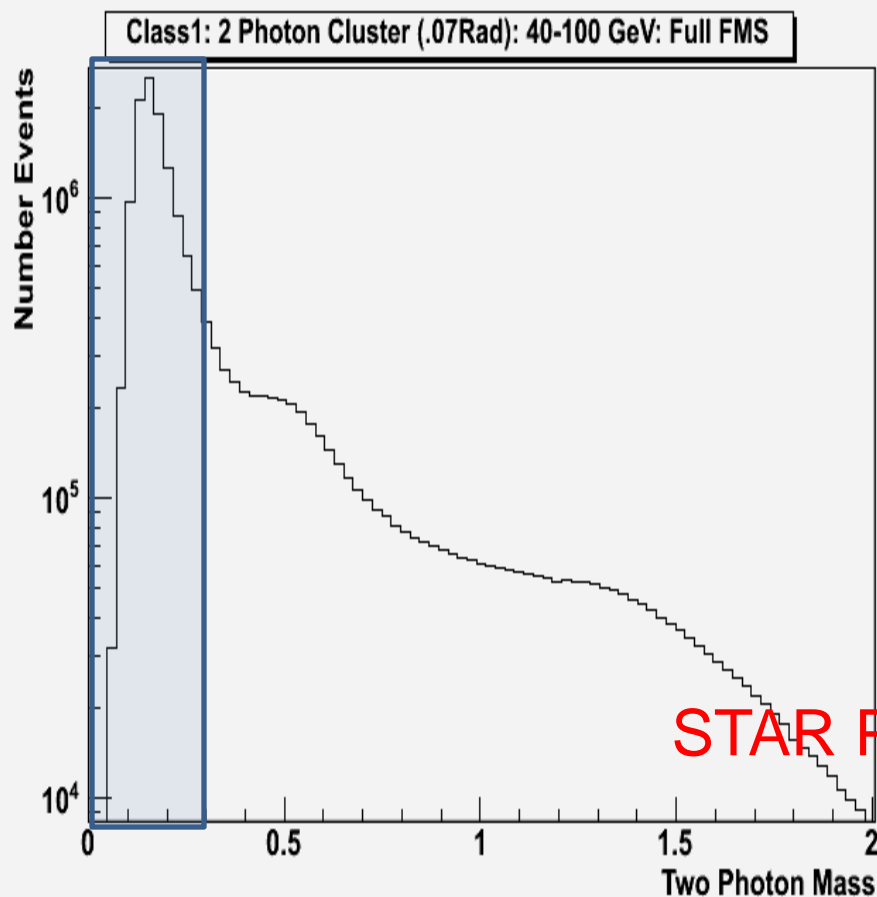
Event Selection:

1. **Analyze FMS for all photon** candidates.
(Showers that are fit successfully to photon hypothesis)
A photon candidates must have a minimum of 6 GeV in the small inner detector or 4 GeV in the outer cells.
2. **Find Clusters of EM energy** grouping photon candidates that are within opening angle cone $\Delta\theta$ (relative to energy weighted center)
3. We consider 2 event classes {1 and 2}
 1. $\Delta\theta = 0.07$ 2 Photon clusters, Pi0 Mass (isolation radius of .07 radians).
 2. $\Delta\theta = 0.03$ 2 Photon clusters, Pi0 Mass (isolation radius of .03 radians).



Class 1 Events: $\Delta\theta = 0.07$ 2 Photon clusters, π^0 Mass (less inclusive)?

- $40 \text{ GeV} < E_{\text{pair}} < 100 \text{ GeV}$
- $Z = |(E_1 - E_2)/(E_1 + E_2)| < 0.7$
- $2.7 < Y < 4.0$ (Full FMS Pseudo-rapidity)
- Selection of π^0 Peak ($0.02 < \text{Mass} < 0.3$)
- Average polarization: $48\% \pm 5\%$
- Integrated Luminosity: 22 pb^{-1}



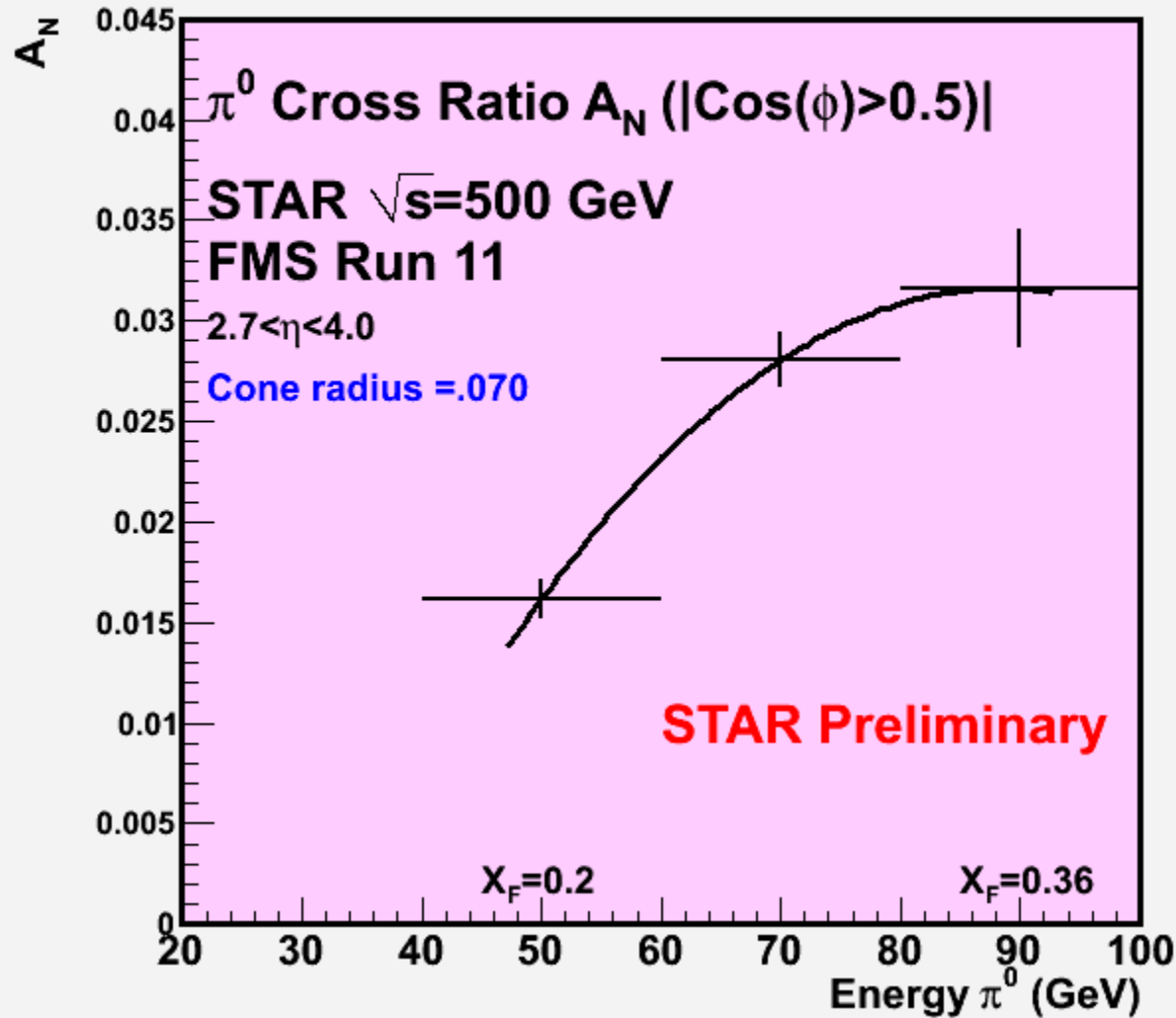
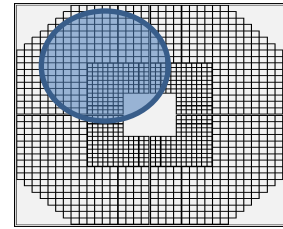
STAR Preliminary

Cross Ratio Transverse Single Spin Asymmetry for Run 11

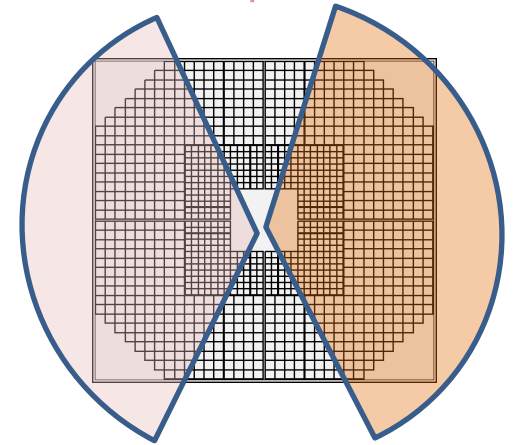
π^0 (2 Photon Cluster) Cluster size = 0.07 Rad

For Blue Beam (Forward)

Full FMS rapidity range ($2.6 < Y < 4.1$)



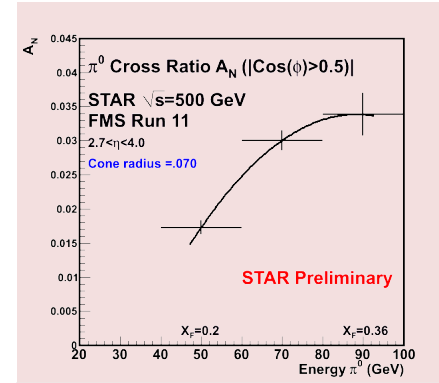
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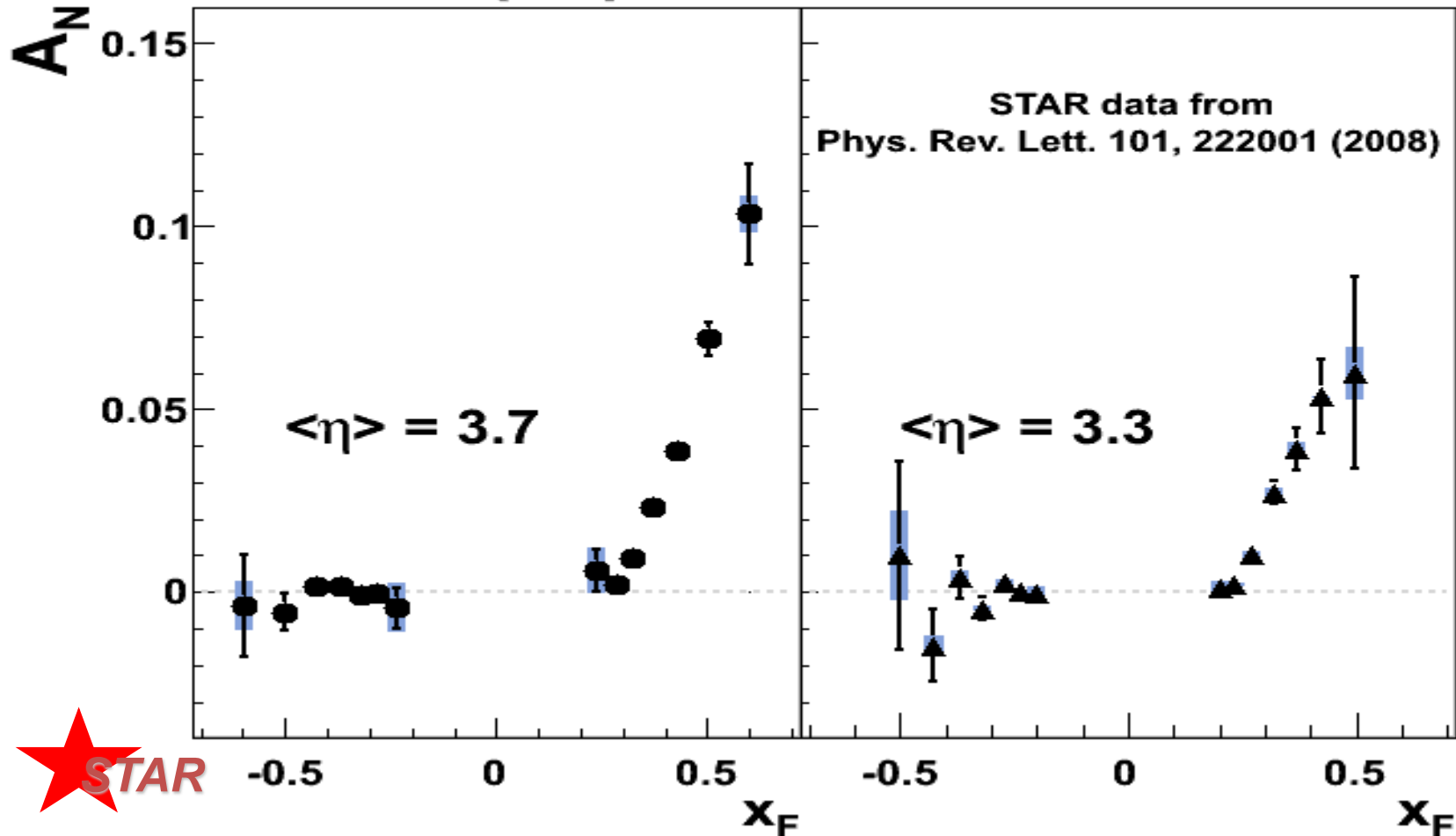
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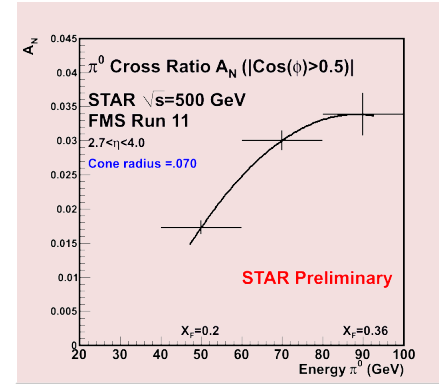


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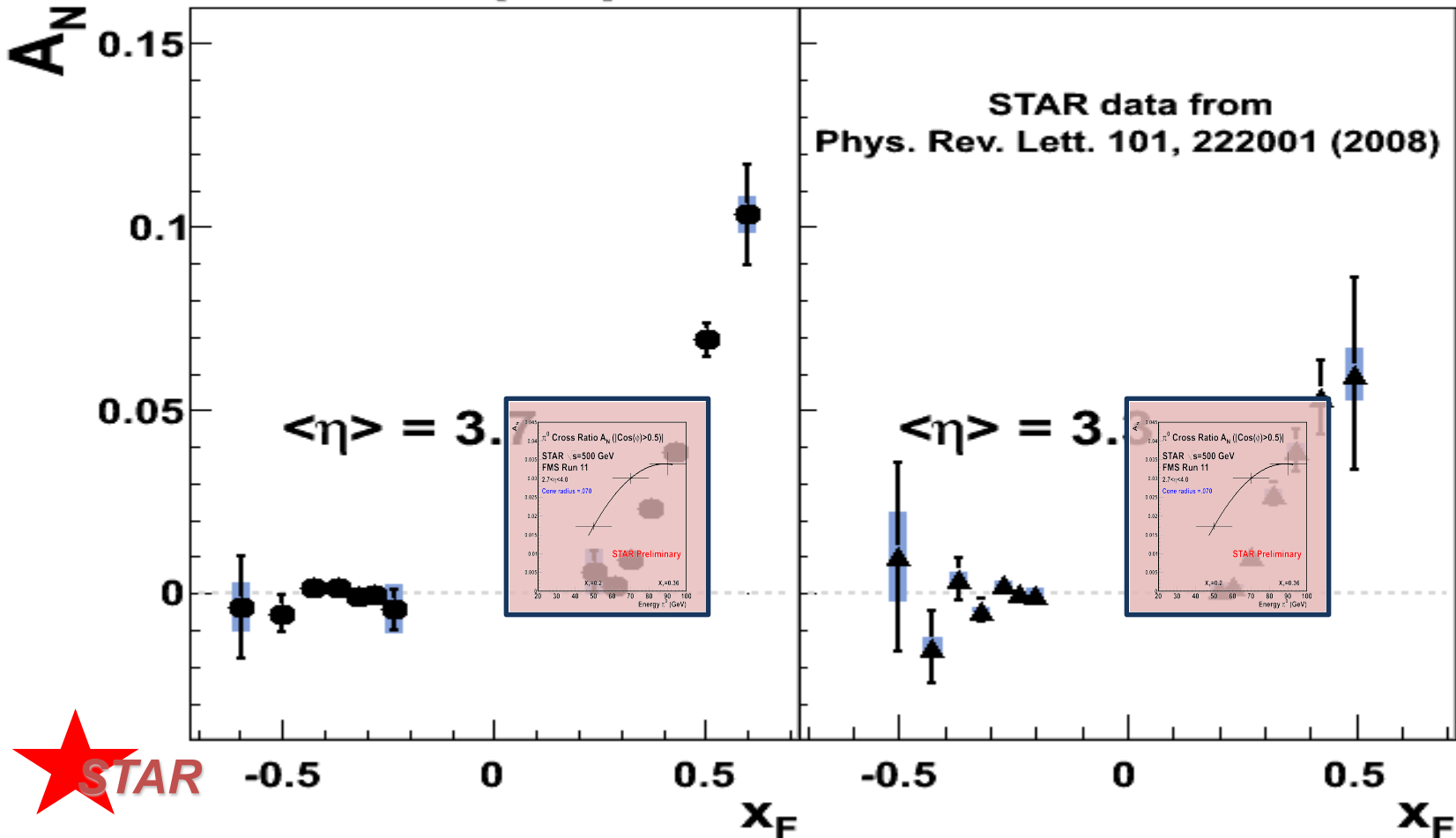


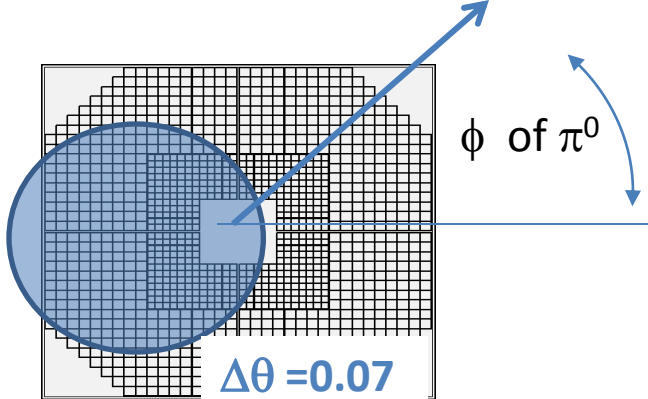
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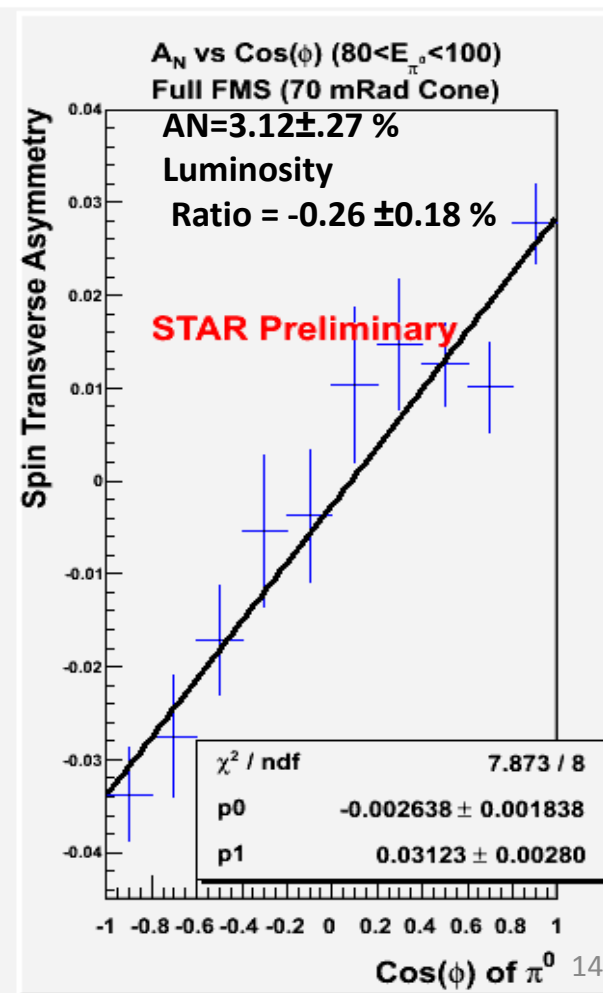
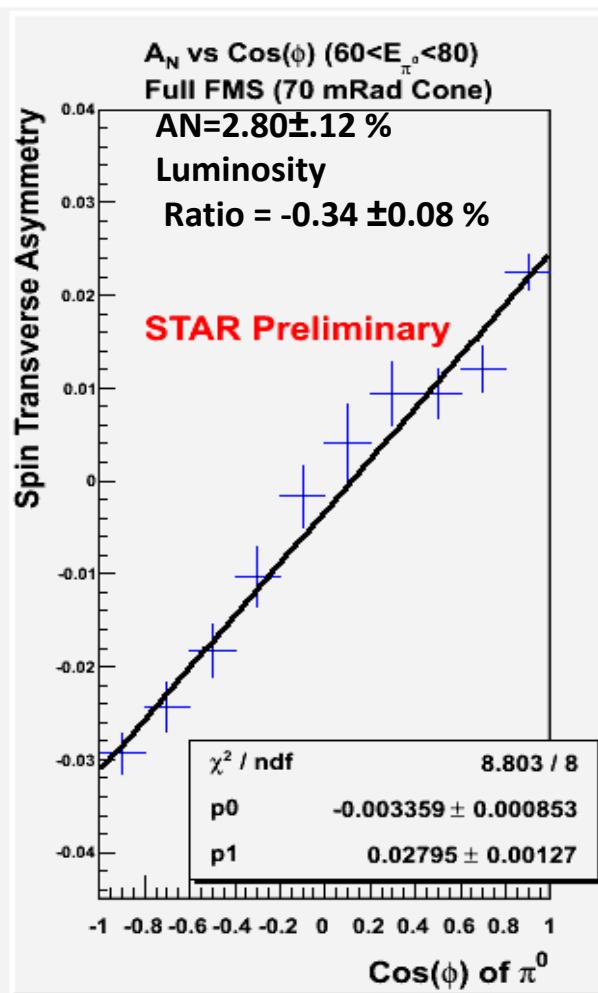
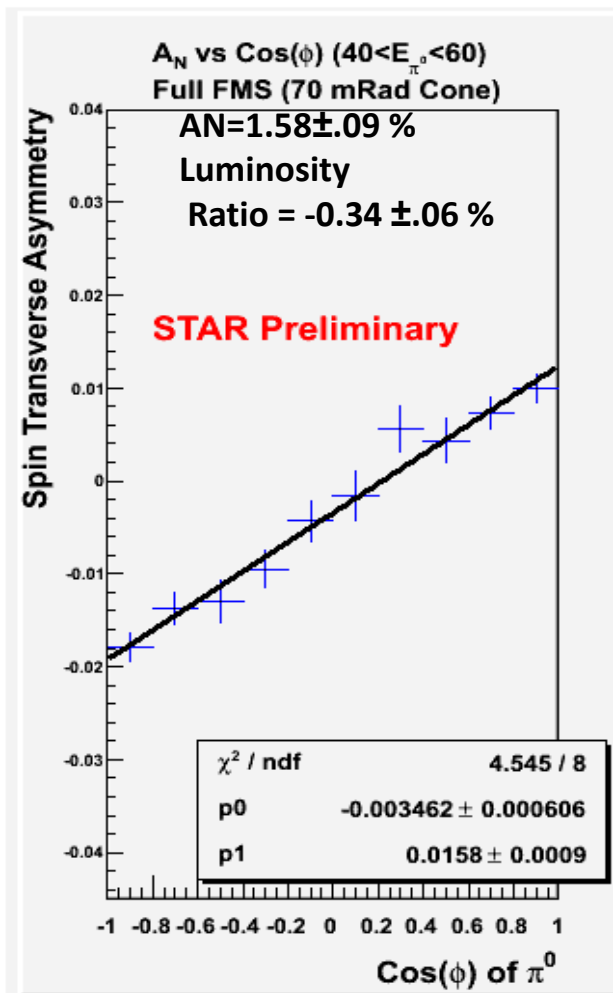
Blue Beam A_N

As an alternative to Cross Ratio, the raw asymmetry can be plotted as a function of $\text{Cos}(\Phi)$ (with polarization axis at $\Phi = \pi/2$)

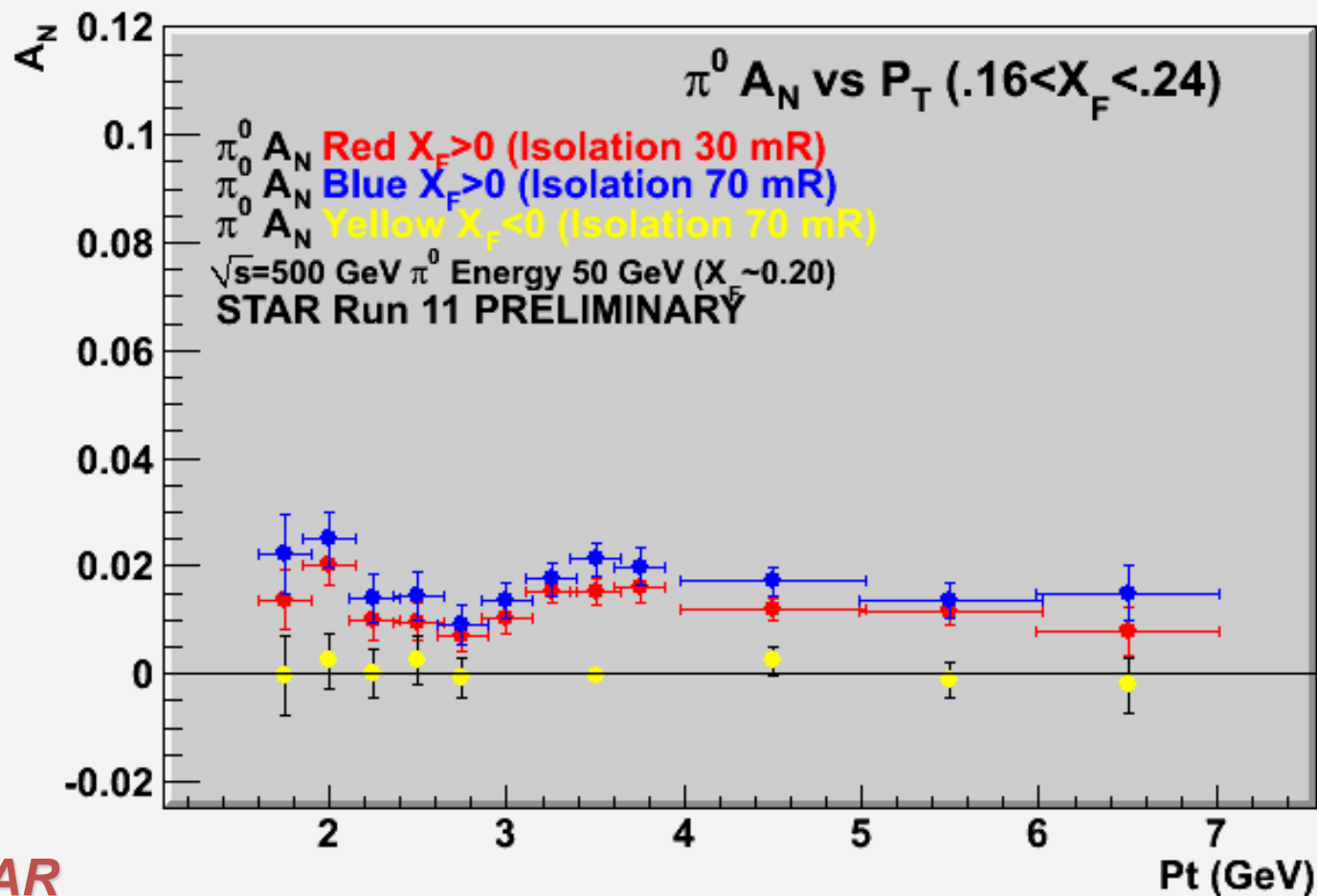
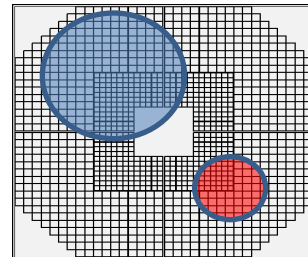
Slope = A_N

Intercept = Luminosity Ratio for data set

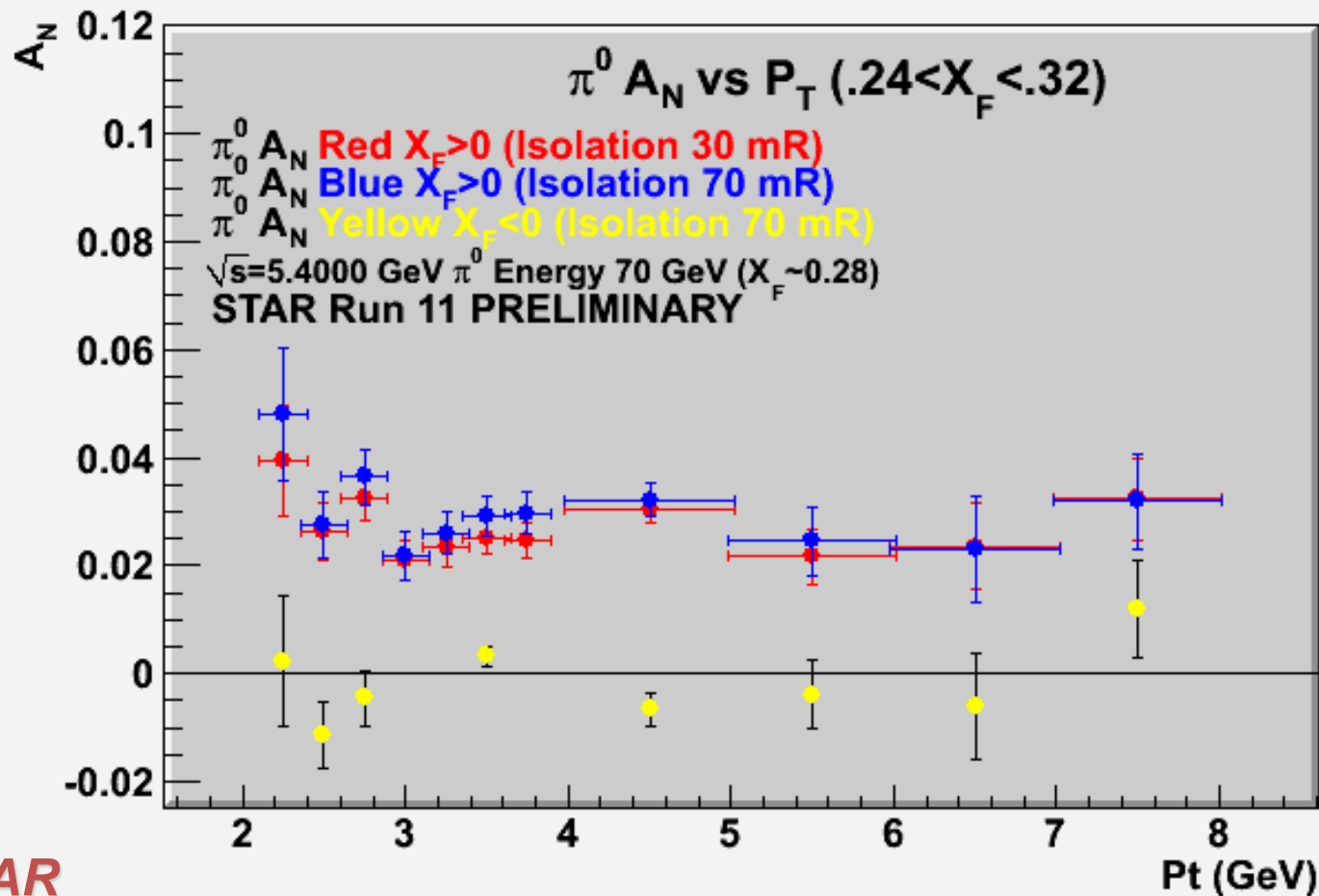
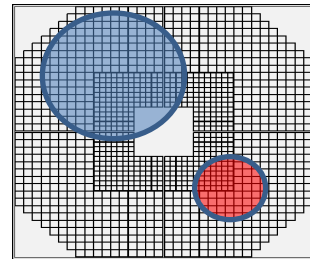
Luminosity ratio for all $\sim -0.33 \pm 0.05 \%$



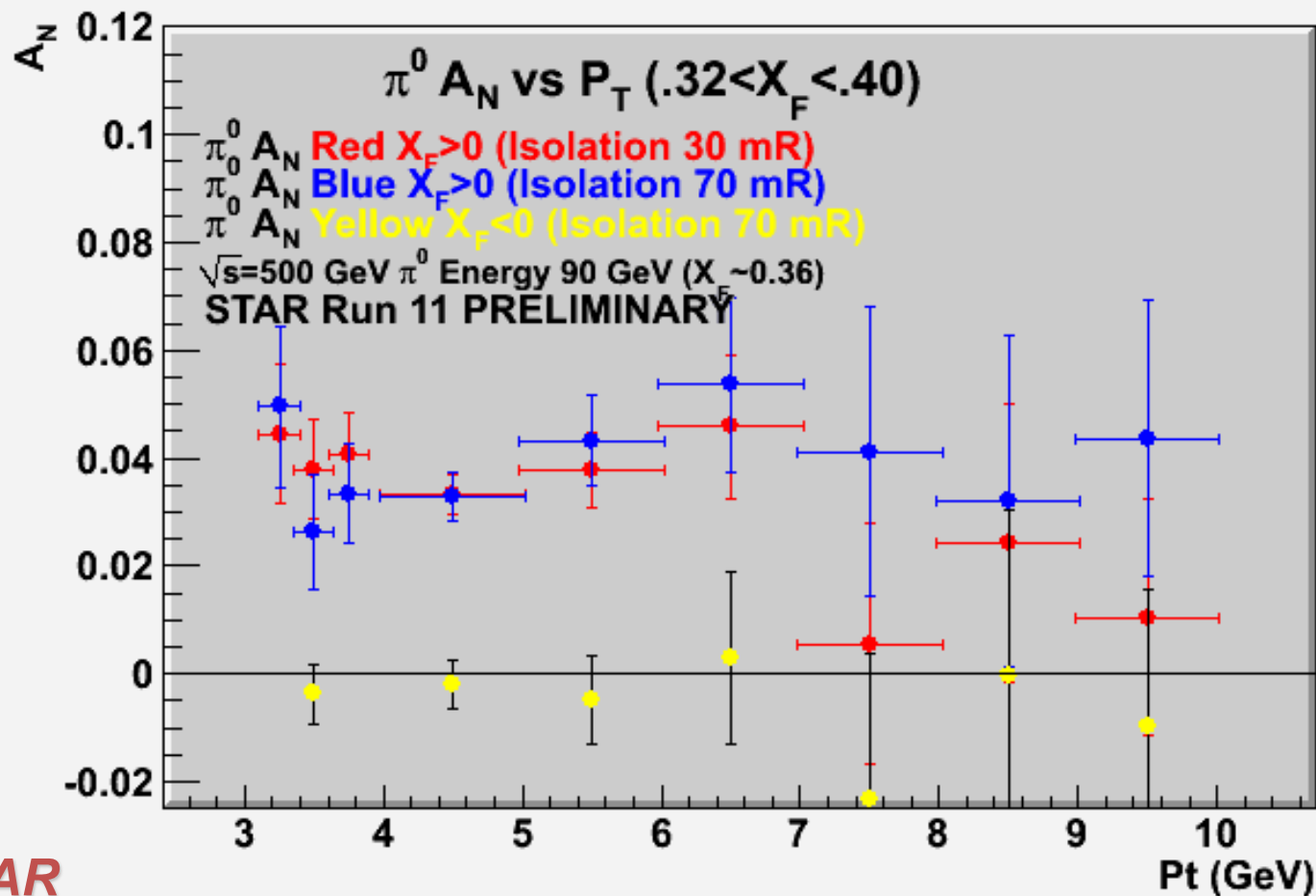
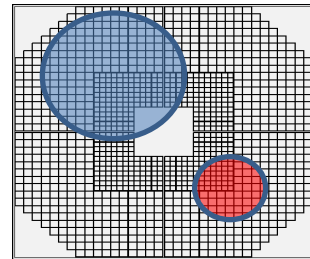
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Higher Twist or other pQCD related models imply

A_N should fall at large P_T with at least 1 power of P_T .

The following plots fit the A_N vs P_T data to a power of P_T .

Fits are shown for both the **70 mRad** and **30 mRad** isolation cones.

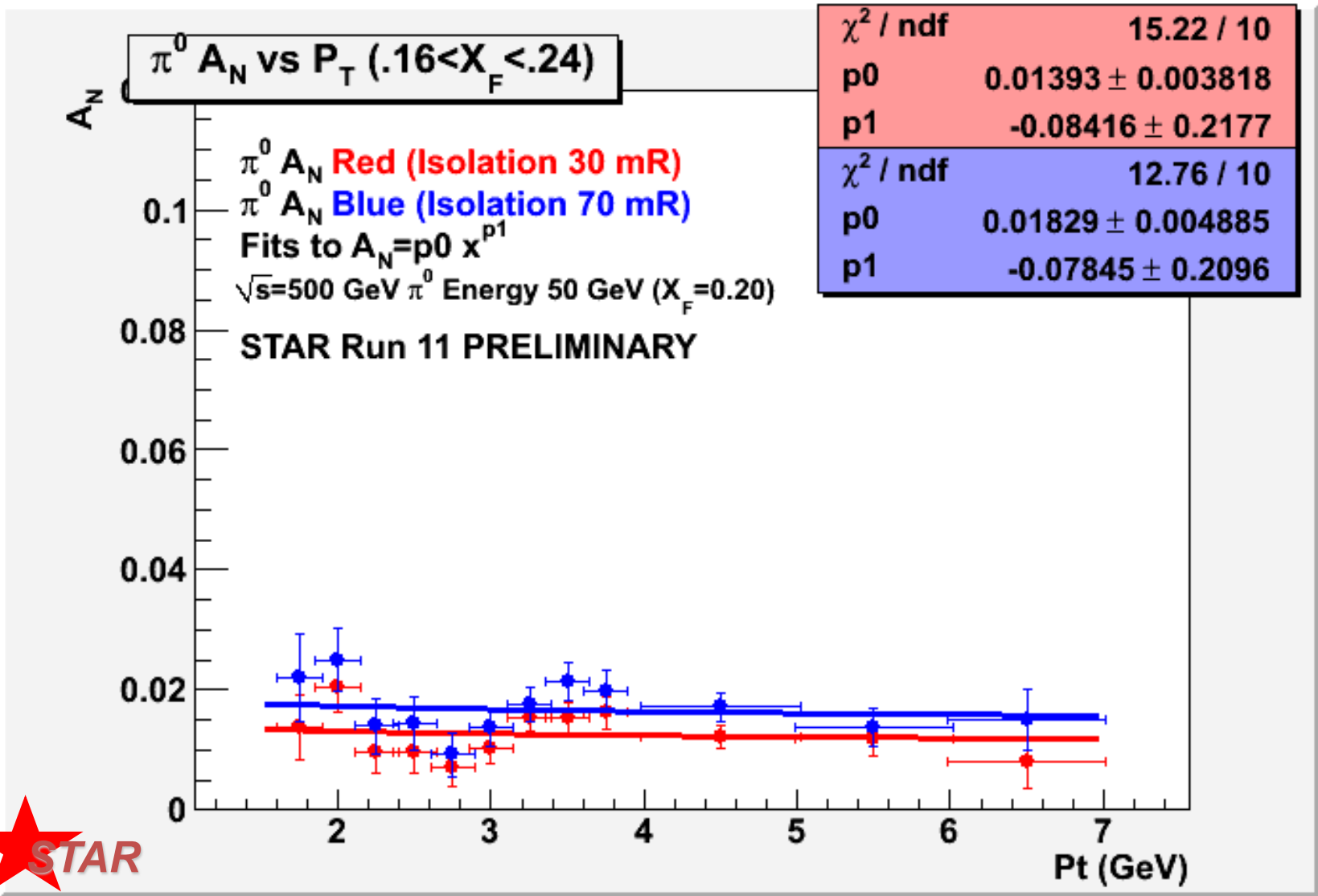
Characterize P_T dependence with
a two Parameter Fit:

$$A_N(P_T) = [p_0] \times (P_T)^{[p_1]}$$



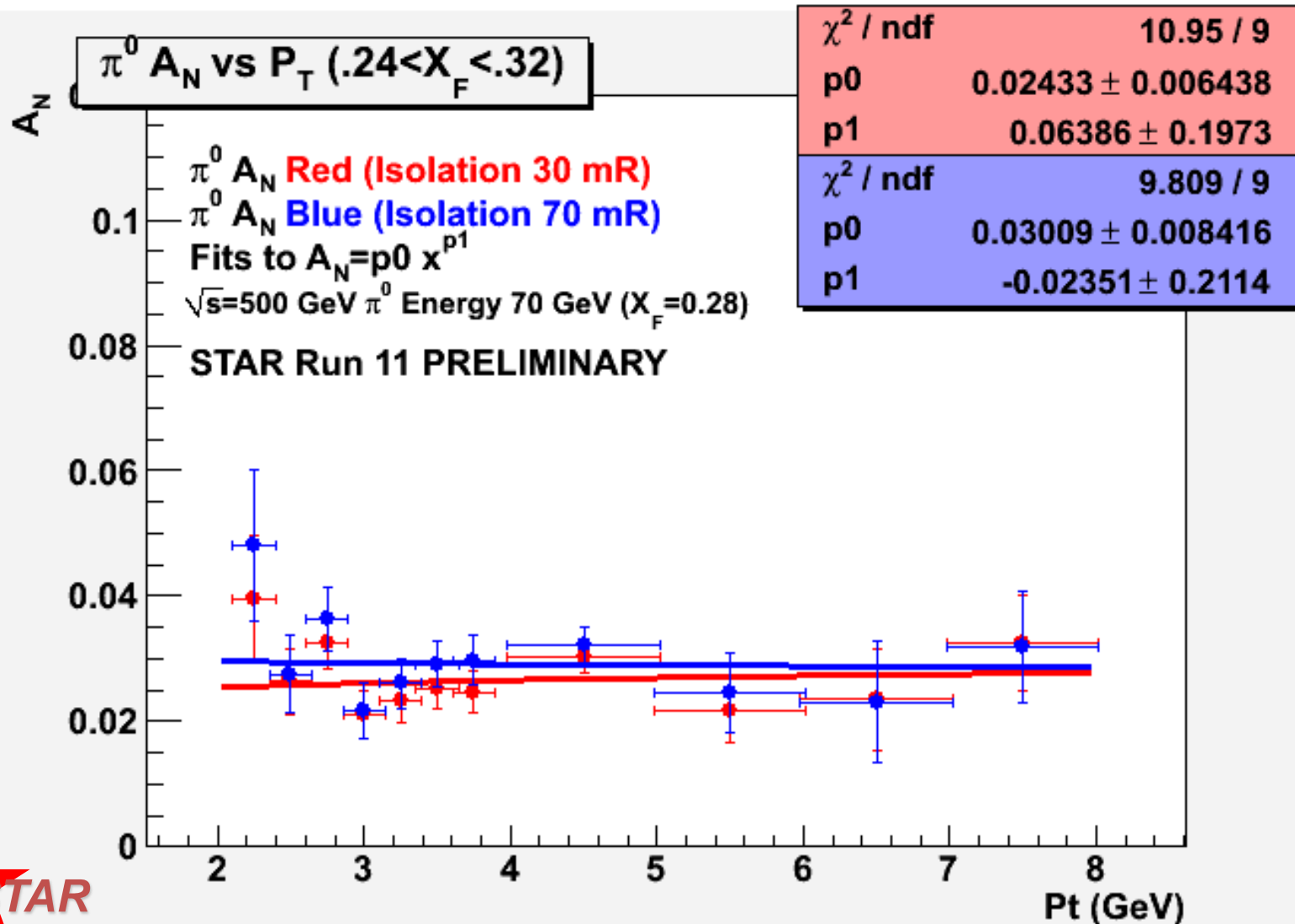
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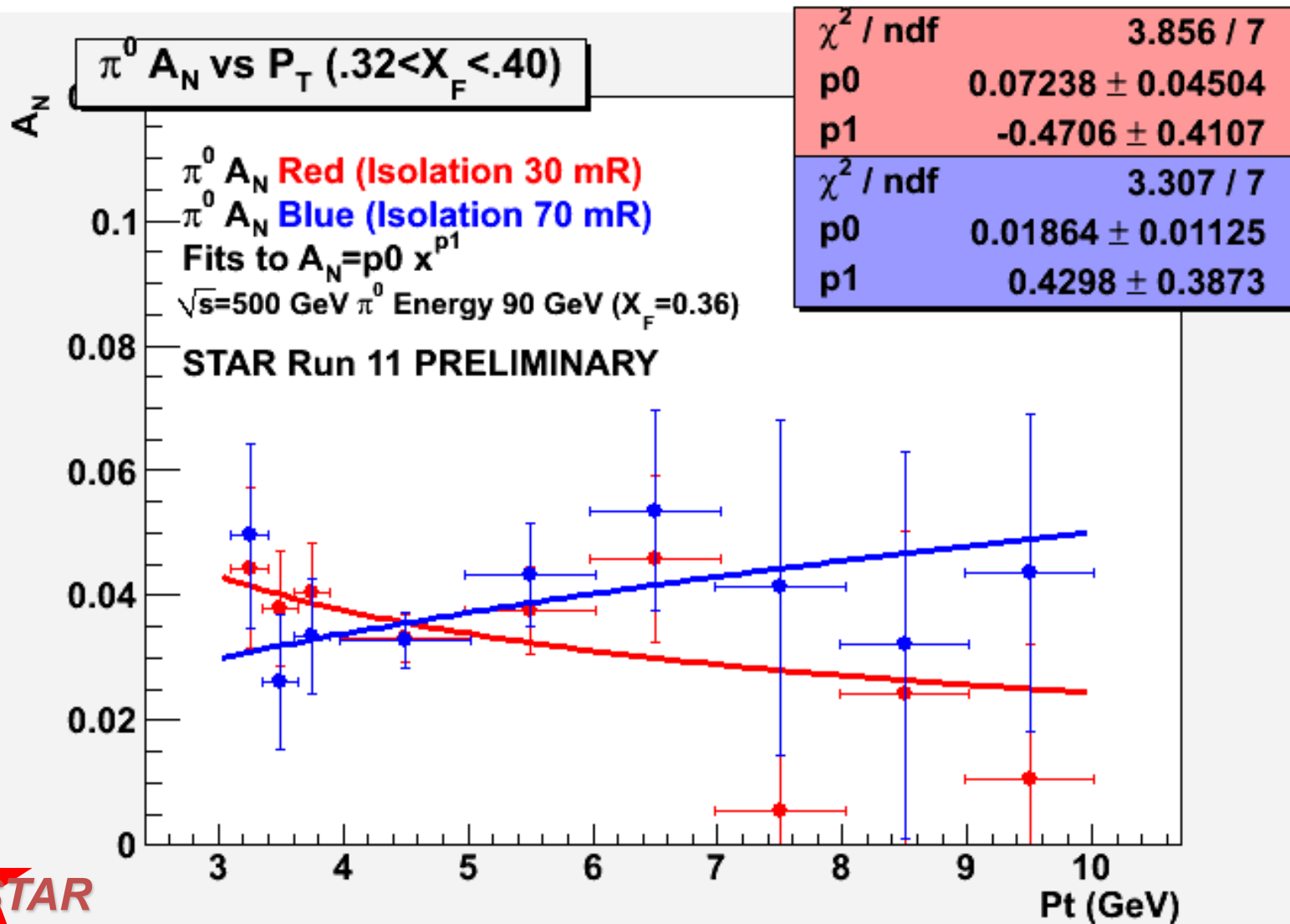
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Systematic Errors

- Run 11 blue beam polarization $48\% \pm 5\%$

$$\frac{\Delta A_N}{A_N} < 10\%$$

- Non π^0 signal $< 10\%$
- Similar asymmetries for Background:

$$\frac{\Delta P_T}{P_T} < 12\%$$

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- P_T uncertainty
 - Energy 10%
 - Angle 6%

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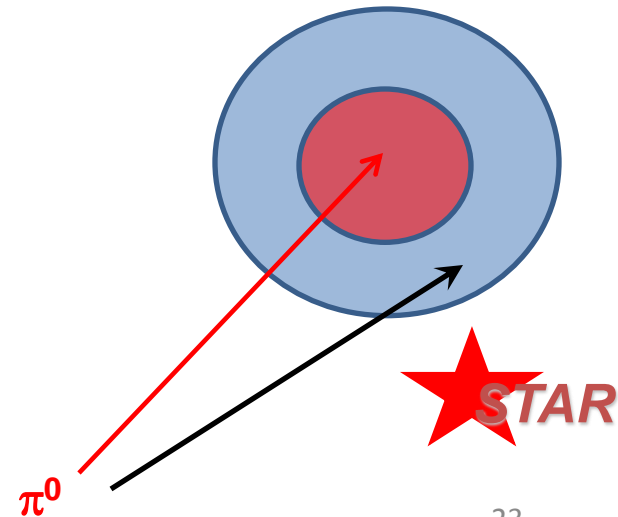
Total Systematic Asymmetry Error
Common to all data points.

$$\frac{\Delta A_N}{A_N} < 15\%$$



Conclusion

- A_N less dependent on P_T than models predict to $P_T \sim 10$ GeV/c. Data may be consistent with flat dependence on P_T .
- A_N larger for isolated π^0 s.
- π^0 events with additional E&M signals in the same general direction as the π^0 ($> \sim 5$ GeV between .03 and .07 radians from the π^0) contribute little to the observed Transverse Single Spin Asymmetry.
- **New Data Coming RHIC RUN 12**
 - ~20 pb⁻¹ of $\sqrt{s}=200$ GeV pp
 - ~Transversely Polarized FMS data
 - ~ Similar measurement up to $P_T > 6$ GeV/c



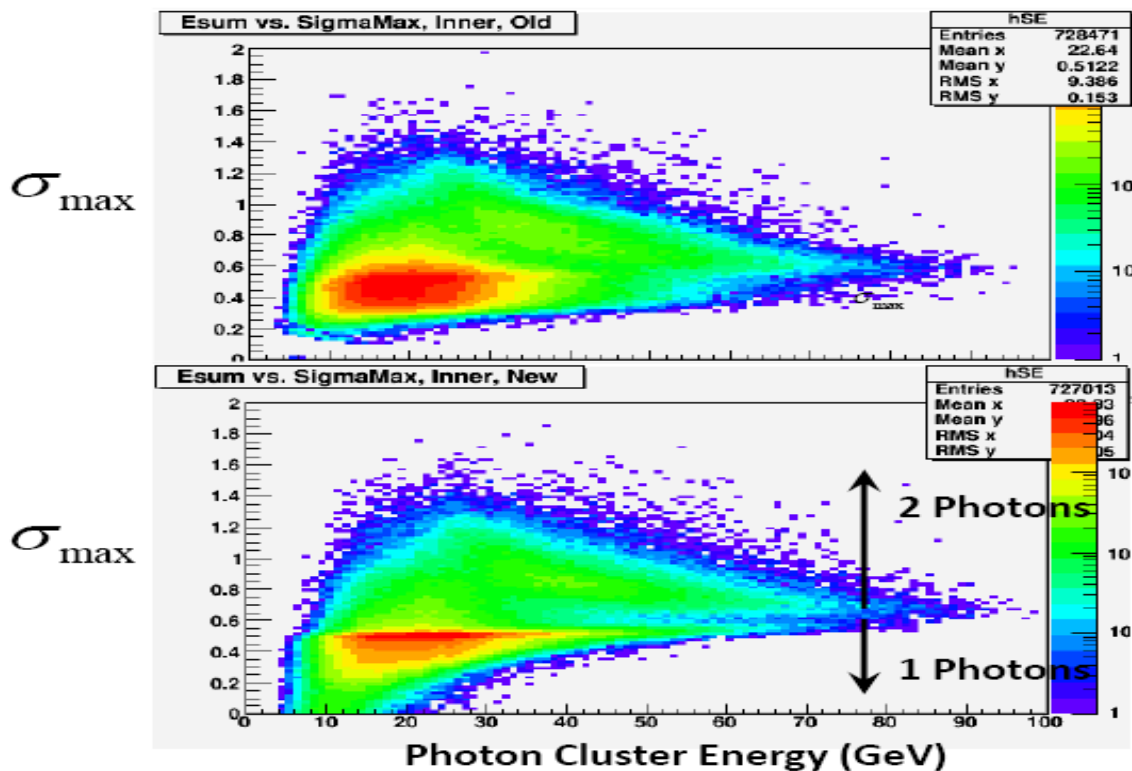
Extra

$$\Delta\sigma_x^2 = \frac{\sum_{i(e_i > e_0)} (x_i - x_0)^2 \ln(e_i / e_0)}{\sum_{i(e_i > e_0)} \ln(e_i / e_0)}$$

$$\Delta\sigma_x \Delta\sigma_y = \frac{\sum_{i(e_i > e_0)} (x_i - x_0)(y_i - y_0) \ln(e_i / e_0)}{\sum_{i(e_i > e_0)} \ln(e_i / e_0)}$$

Separation of single photon cluster from two photon cluster based upon distribution of shower energy along a preferred axis.

$$\sigma_{\max} \equiv \text{Max Eigenvalue of } \begin{bmatrix} \Delta\sigma_x^2 & \Delta\sigma_x \Delta\sigma_y \\ \Delta\sigma_y \Delta\sigma_x & \Delta\sigma_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$



Old algorithm with Energy weighted moments

Improved algorithm with log energy weighted moments.

Provides clearer separation Between π⁰ and single photon. Clusters up to ~80 GeV.

From Len's Analysis,

-Single Photon peak changes little with Energy
Single peak at SigmaMax~.5

-Two Photon peak moves toward the Single photon peak as energy increases
Double SigmaMax Peak

38 GeV $\langle \text{SigmaMax} \rangle \sim .85$

73 GeV $\langle \text{SigmaMax} \rangle \sim .75$

drupal.star.bnl.gov/STAR/blog/leun/2010/jan/11/sigmamax-data-mc-comparision-

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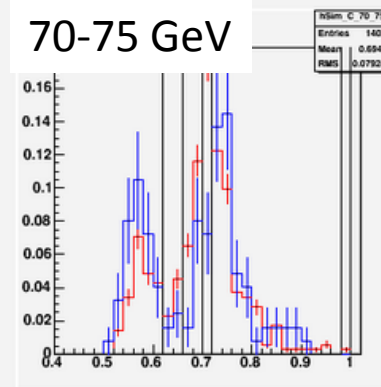
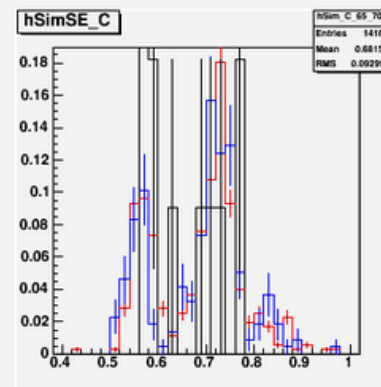
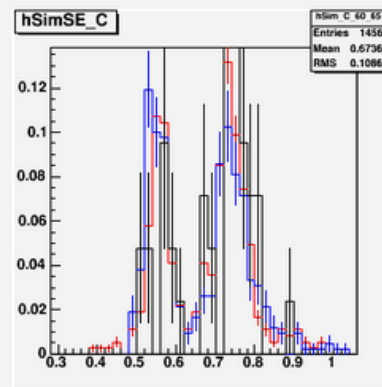
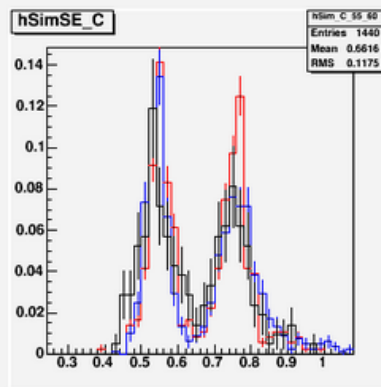
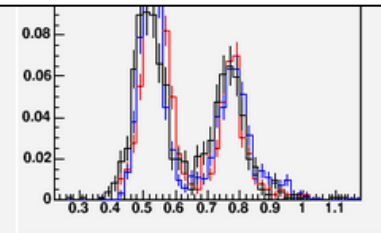
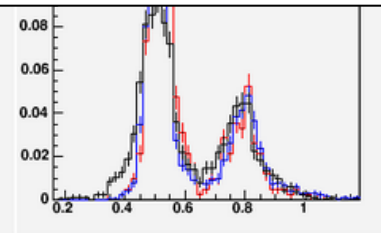
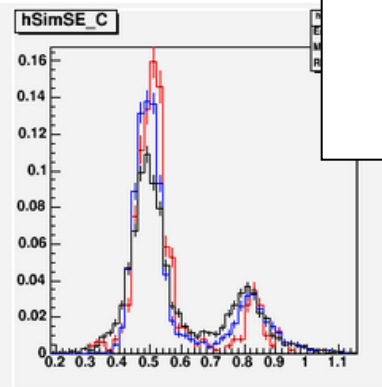
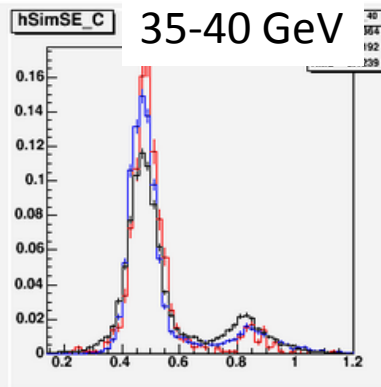
BLACK: Data (only set 61)

RED: flat-distribution pi0 toy events + GSTAR, with digitization and 1-count pedestals

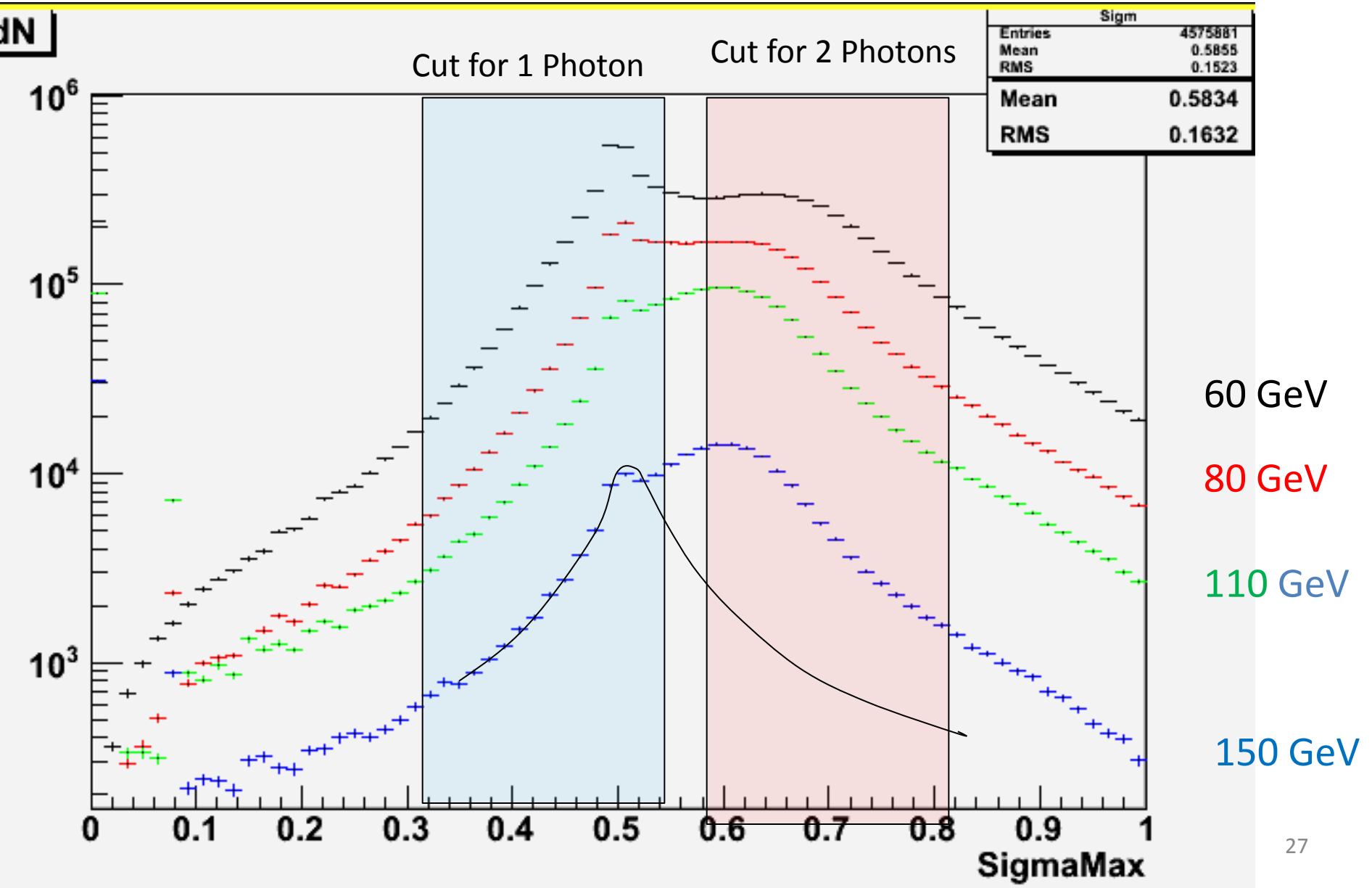
BLUE: Pythia 6.4 + GSTAR, with digitization and 1-count pedestal uncertainty

Clusters are divided into 4 categories, and for each category there are 8 plots for 8

1. Inner central

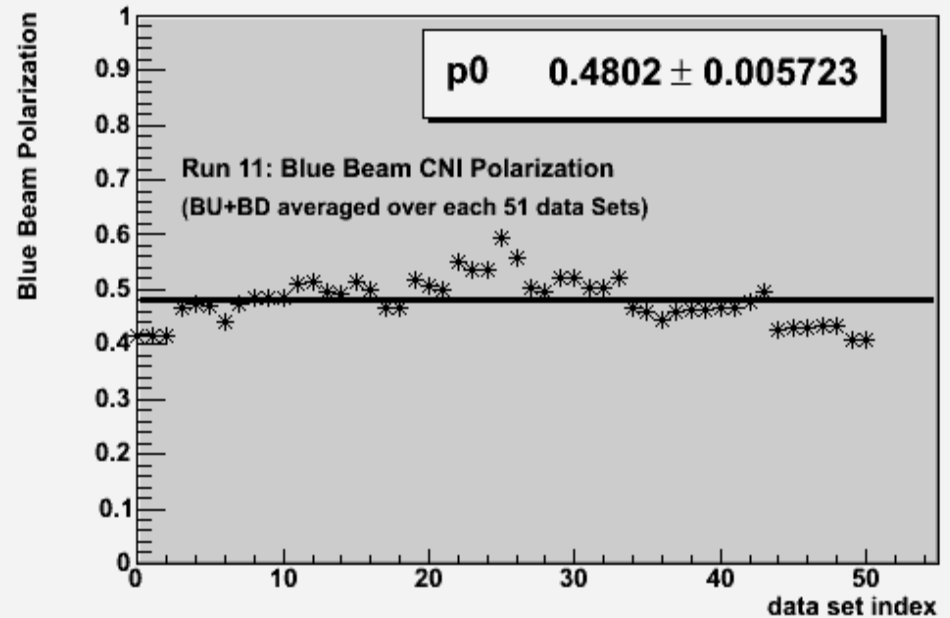


Run 11 distributions of SigmaMax as a indicator of single photon vs π^0 only slowly degrades with higher energy.



Blue Beam Polarization Measurements

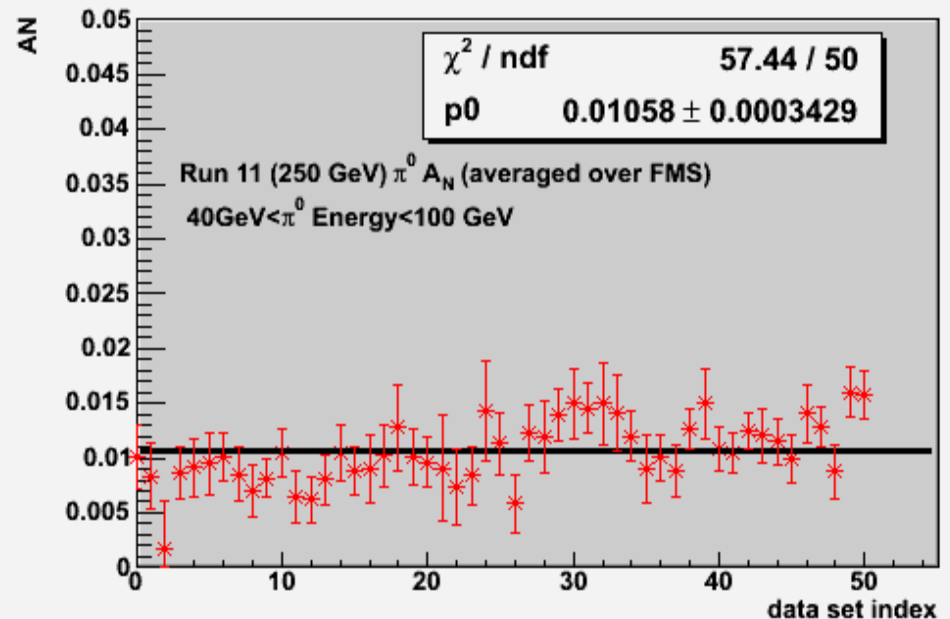
- CNI polarimeter data
- Average polarization for 51 consecutive time periods each data set represents $\sim 1/2$ day of running.



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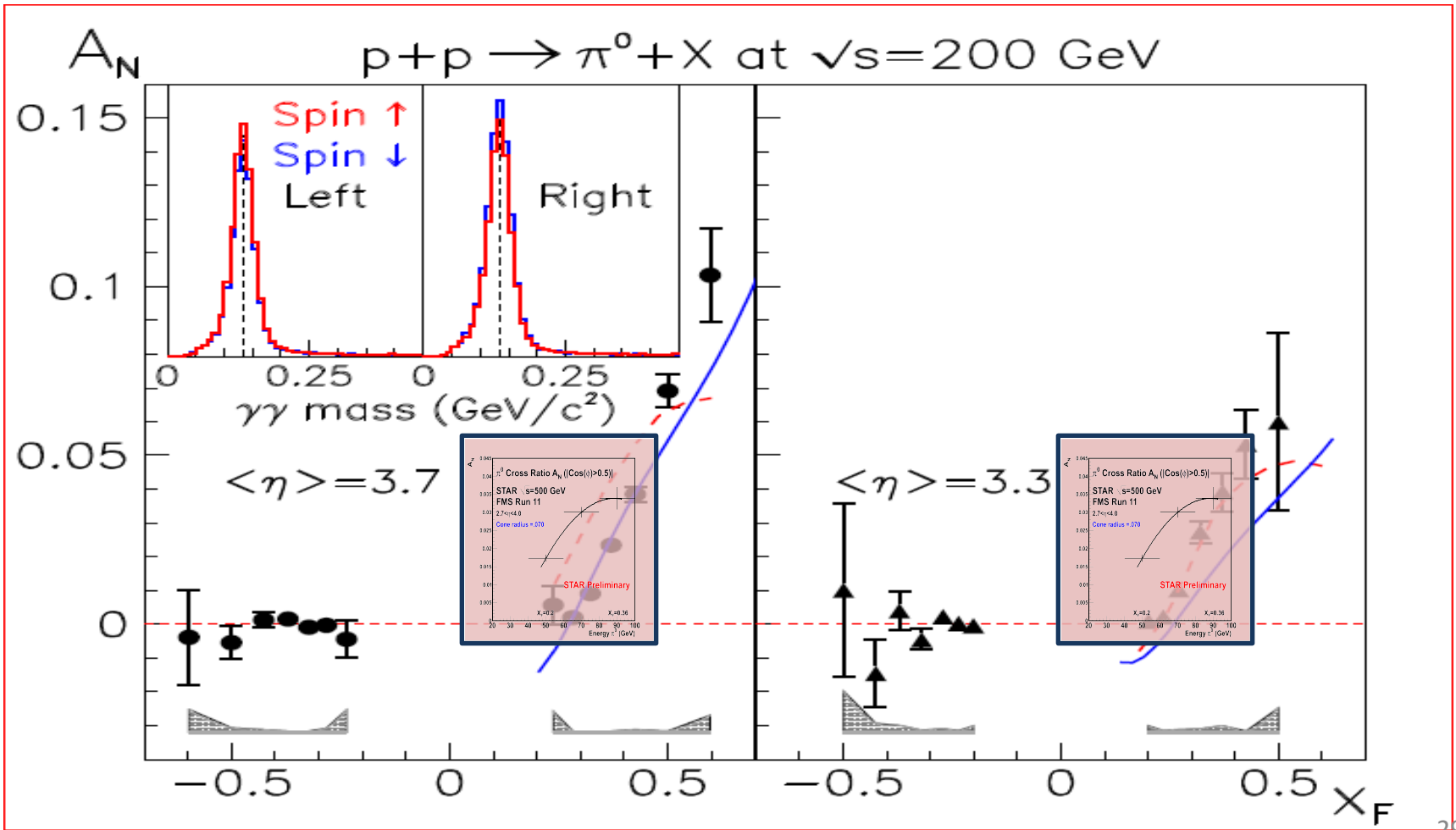
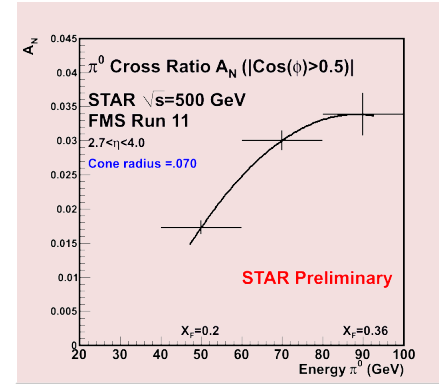
For the “ A_N vs $\cos(\phi)$ ” fits to all FMS data divided into the 51 consecutive time periods.

- 22.4 pb^{-1}
- $2.6 < \text{pseudorapidity} < 4.1$
- $40 \text{ GeV} < \text{Energy } \pi^0 < 100 \text{ GeV}$
- Average polarization 48%
- Corrected each of of 51 sets (each set $\sim 1/2$ day of data)



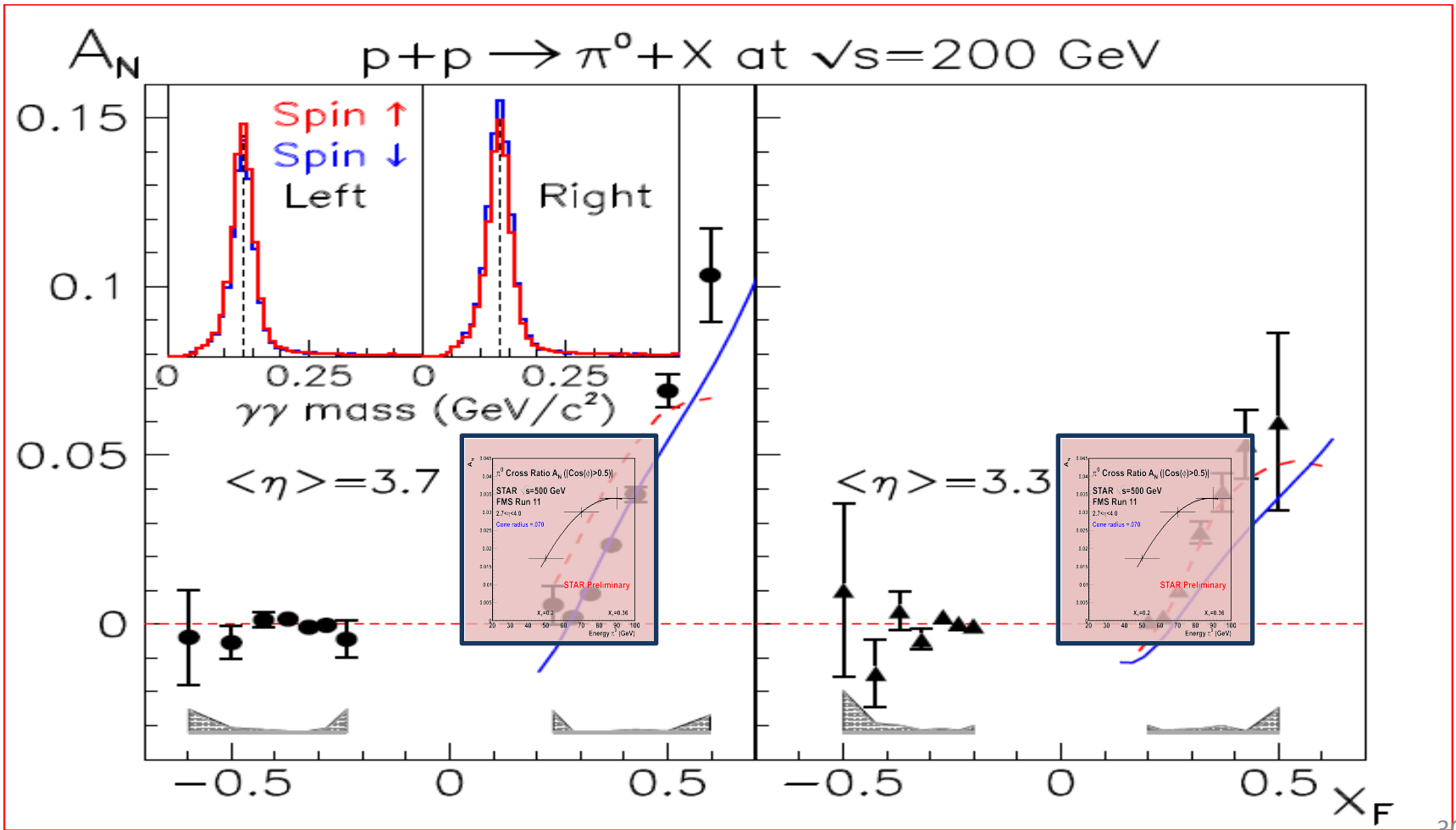
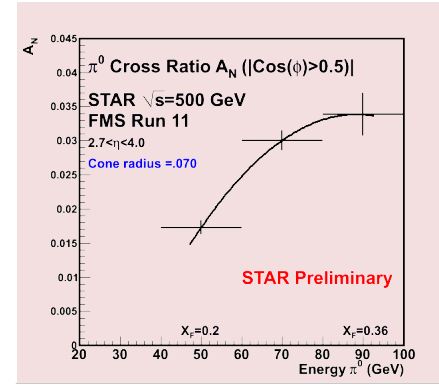
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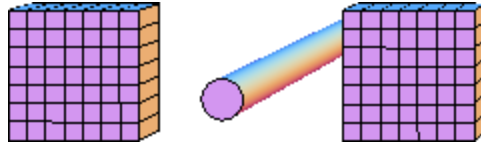


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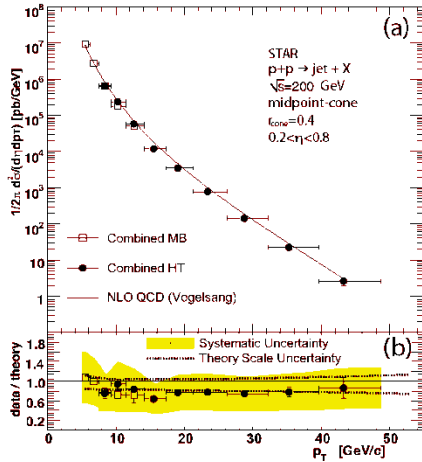
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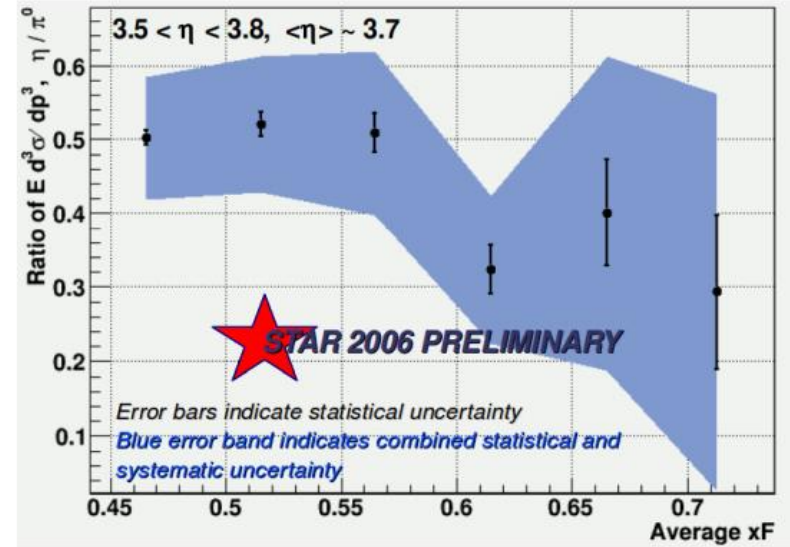
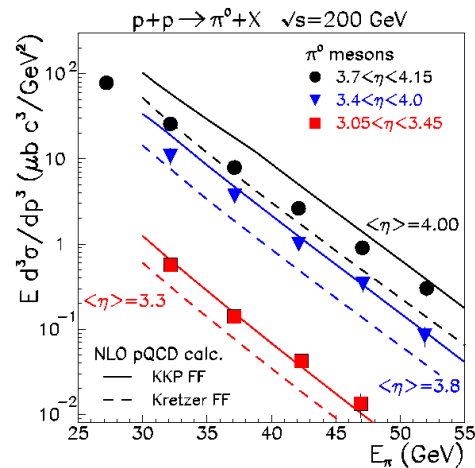
Unpolarized Cross Sections agree with Collinear Factorization PQCD



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- Jet Mid-rapidity (Left) and Pi0 Forward Rapidity (right)
- Cross section for π^0 nominally consistent with NLO pQCD.
- Cross section for η (with nominal fragmentation) may also be consistent.

