

*Transverse momentum*  
*Dependence of  $\pi^0$  SSA in FMS Run 11*  
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- Background
  - Physics Questions
  - **Cross Ratio** method vs.  $A(\phi)=A_N \cos(\phi)$  fitting method
  - Previous FMS and STAR results
  - About  $P_T$  dependence of  $A_N$
  - FMS Event Topology and Event Selection
- Present High Statistics  $A_N$  for STAR Run 11  $\sqrt{s}=500$  GeV
  - $X_F$  dependence
  - $P_T$  dependence for fixed  $X_F$
  - Dependence on event topology



# Proton Forward Scattering at High PT

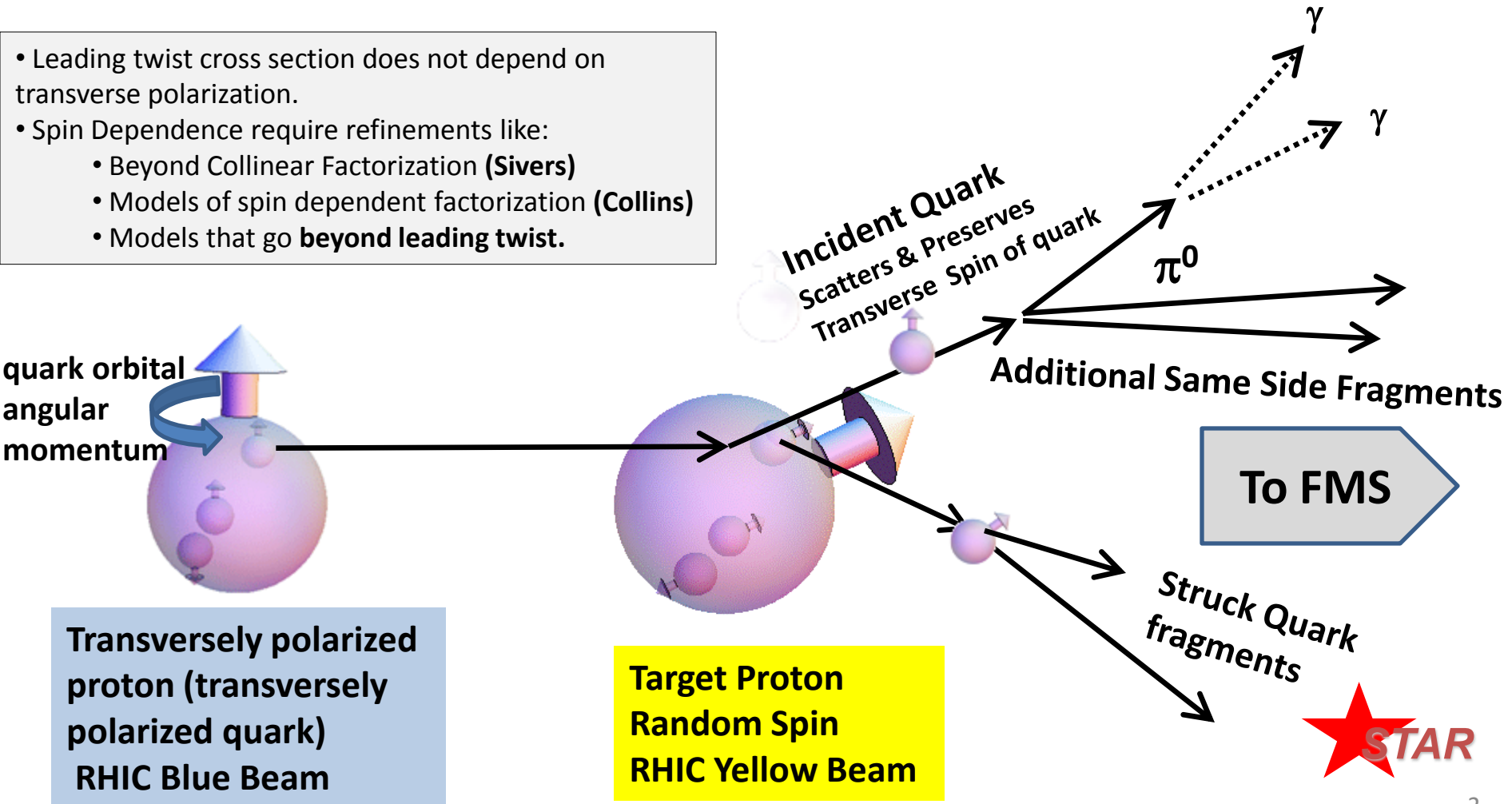
## QCD Perspective

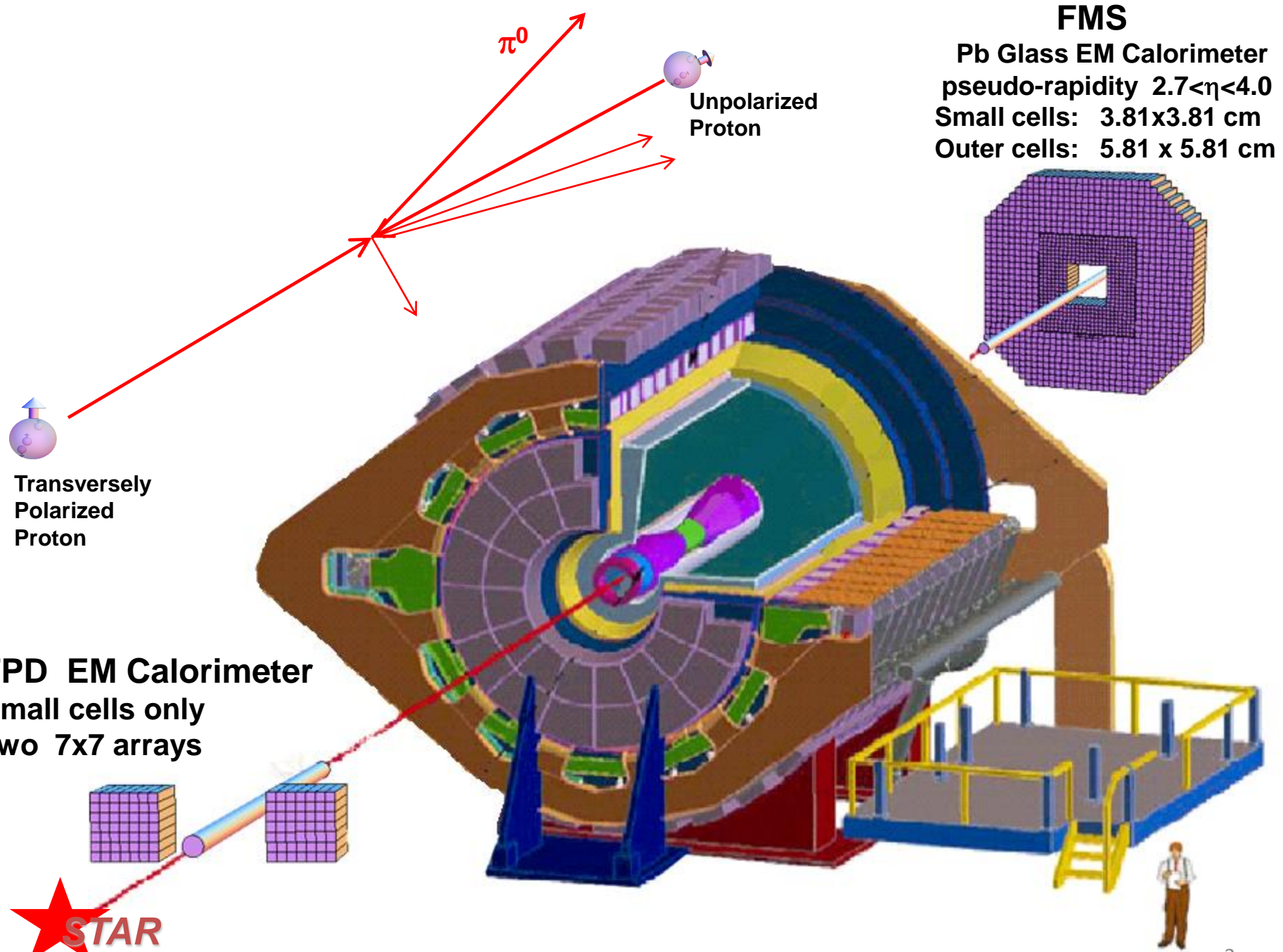
### PQCD (Leading Twist):

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

- Does good job of predicting the spin averaged cross section.

- Leading twist cross section does not depend on transverse polarization.
- Spin Dependence require refinements like:
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  - Models that go **beyond leading twist**.





**Forward EM Calorimetry In STAR.**

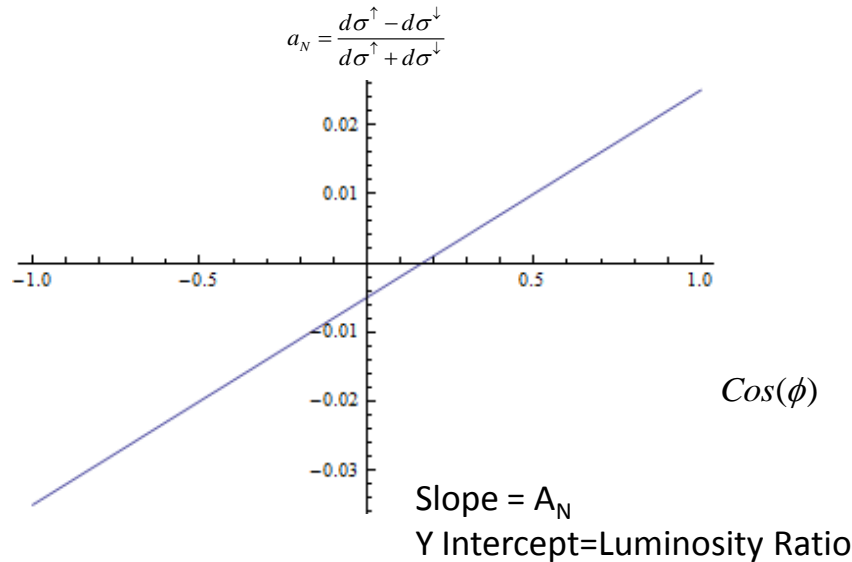
# 1) Cross Ratio Transverse Asymmetry

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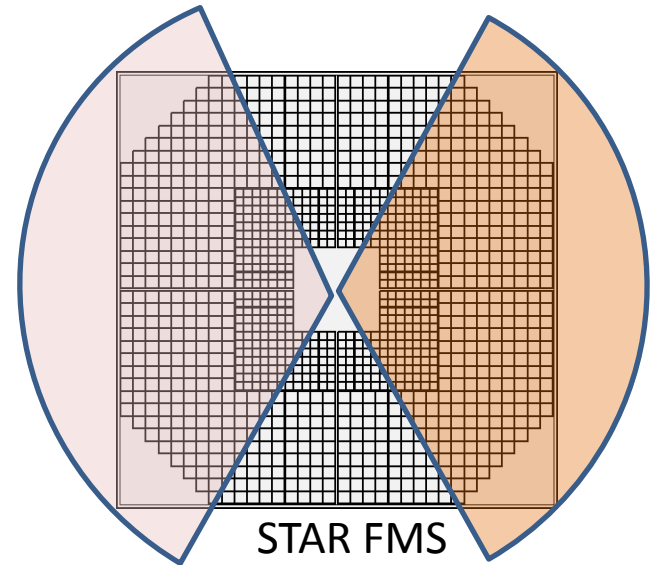
# 2) $A(\phi)$ Fit

**Method 1:**  
**Cross Ratio:**

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



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



Viewed from  
collision point

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

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

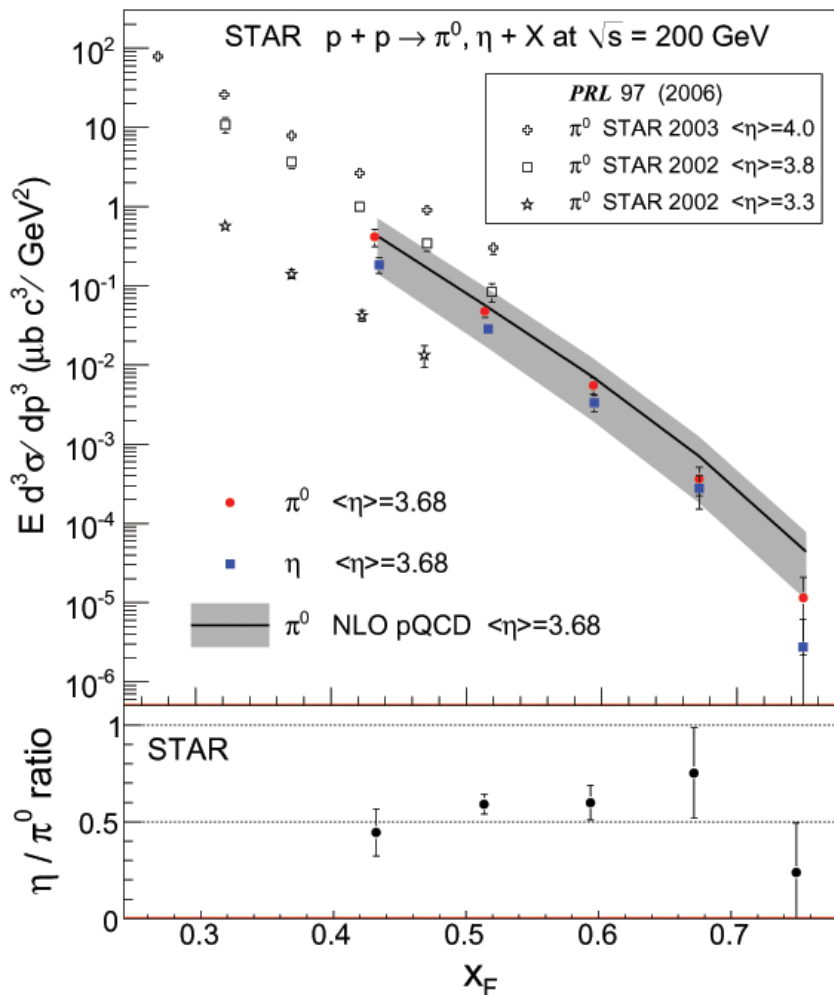
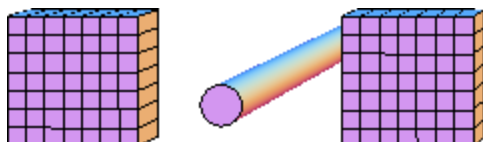
Fix  $a_0$  for full data set

For many small data subsets ..... one parameter fit for  $A_N$

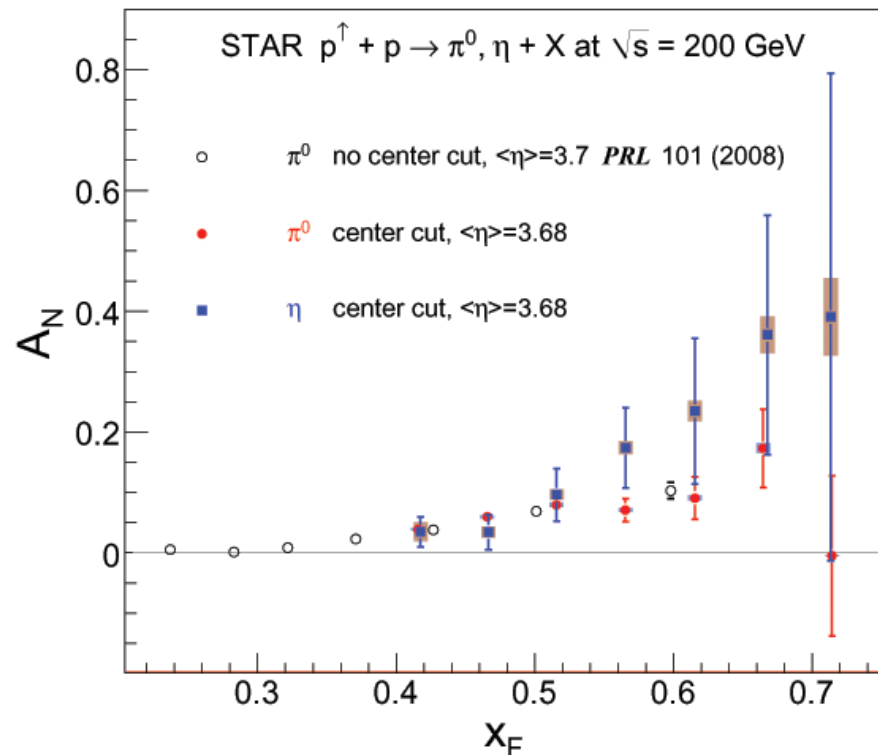
**Advantage: Every fitted value of  $A_N$  comes with error and  $\chi^2$ .**



# New paper on $\eta/\pi^0$ at $X_F > 0.5$ arXiv:1205.6826v1



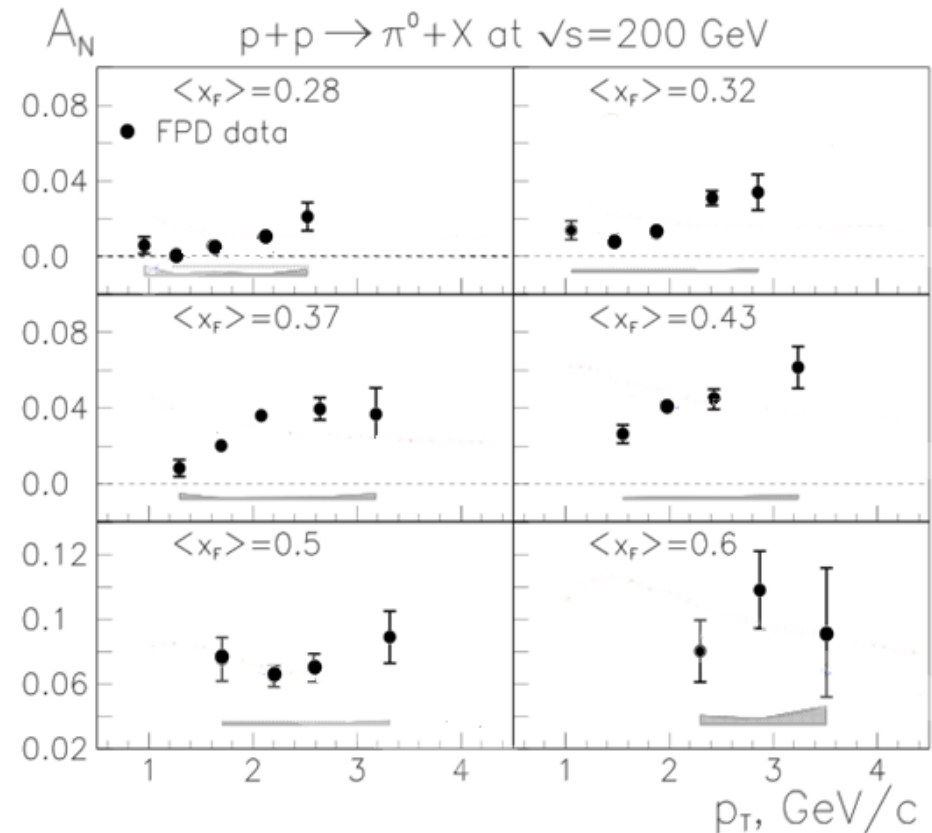
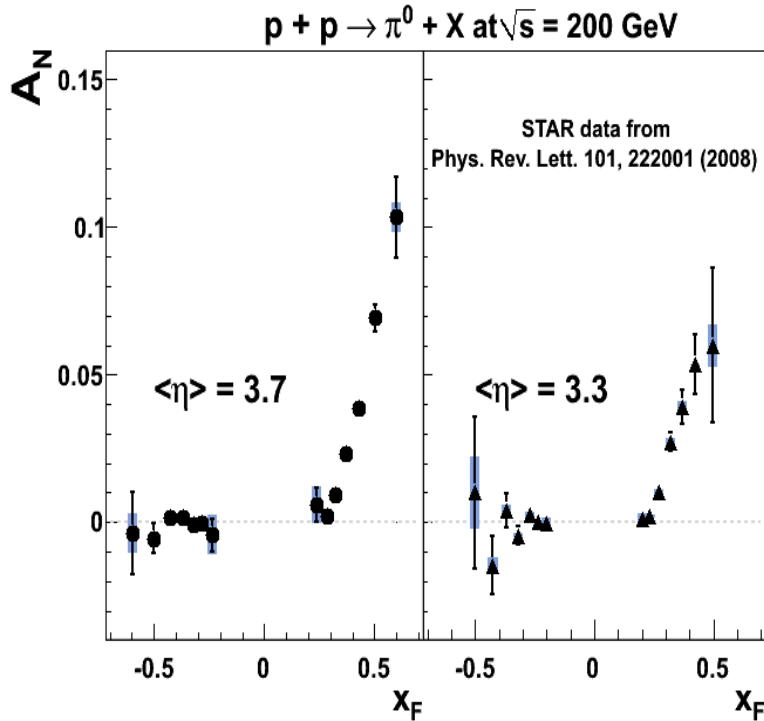
- $\pi^0$  cross section in **good agreement with PQCD calculation.**
- $\eta/\pi^0$  cross section ratio similar to that observed where jet fragmentation is dominant.
- $A_N(\eta) > A_N(\pi^0)$  for  $X_F > 0.55$



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

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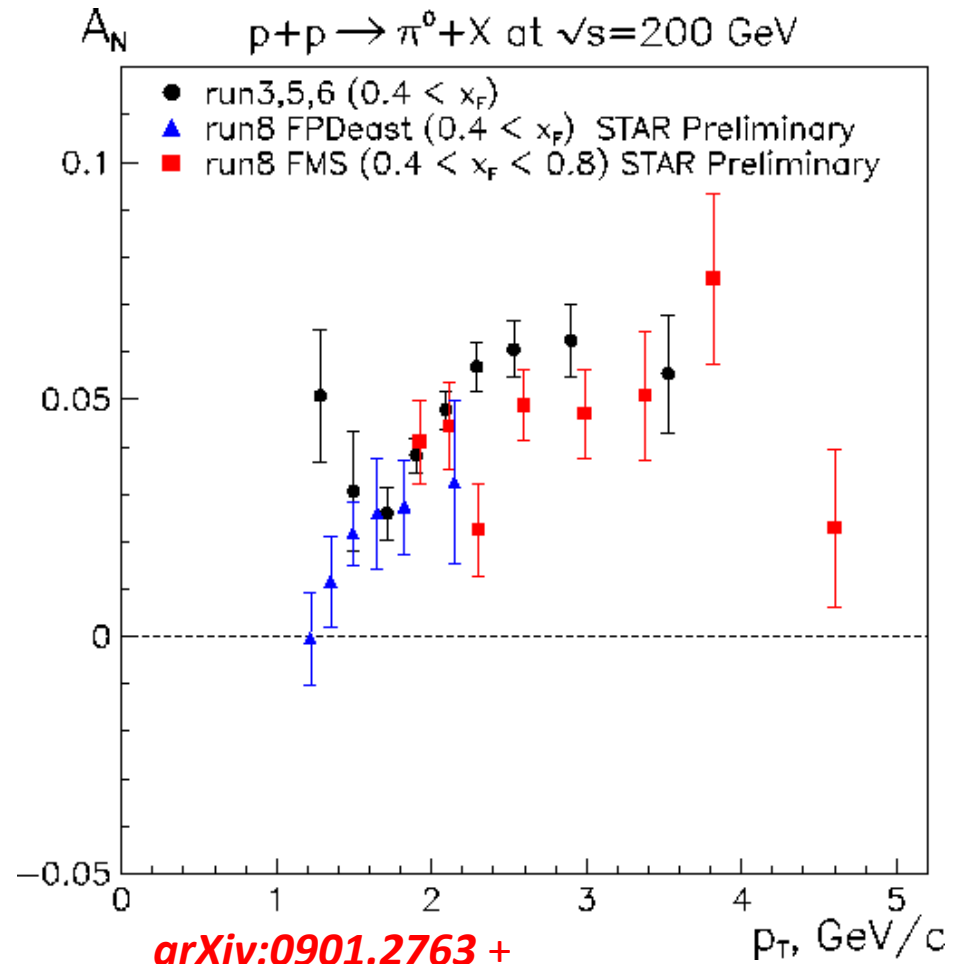
- Rising  $A_N$  with  $X_F$  ( $0 < X_F < 0.5$ ) from 0% to 5-10%
- No evidence of fall in  $A_N$  with increasing  $P_T$  up to  $P_T \sim 3 \text{ GeV}/c$





# 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  $\pi^0$  picks up  $k_T$  from **fragmentation of polarized quark**. Vanishing jet asymmetry. Observed  $A_N$  will depend on the details of near side fragmentation!

A toy model for proton  
Cross Section at large x.

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

**Suppose** initial state structure or final state fragmentation modifies the hard scattering  $\mathbf{p}_T$ .

If the spin dependent initial/final state momentum is  $\mathbf{k}_T$ .

For spin proton spin up:  $\langle \mathbf{p}_T \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{p}_T \rangle - \mathbf{k}_T$

For spin proton spin dn:  $\langle \mathbf{p}_T \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{p}_T \rangle + \mathbf{k}_T$

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

Similar for **for higher twist:**

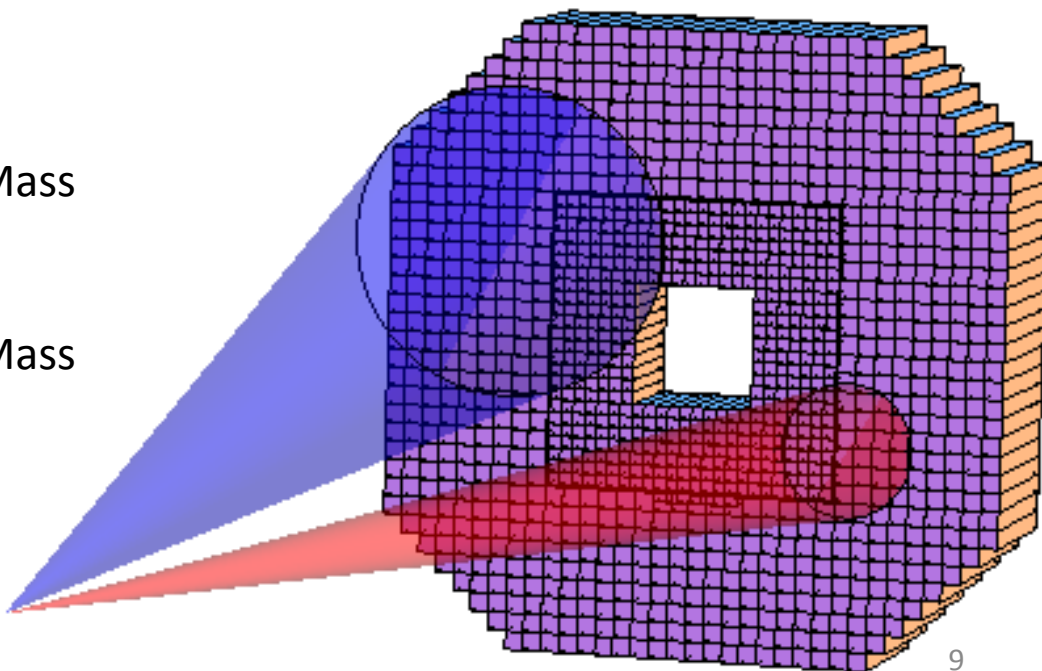
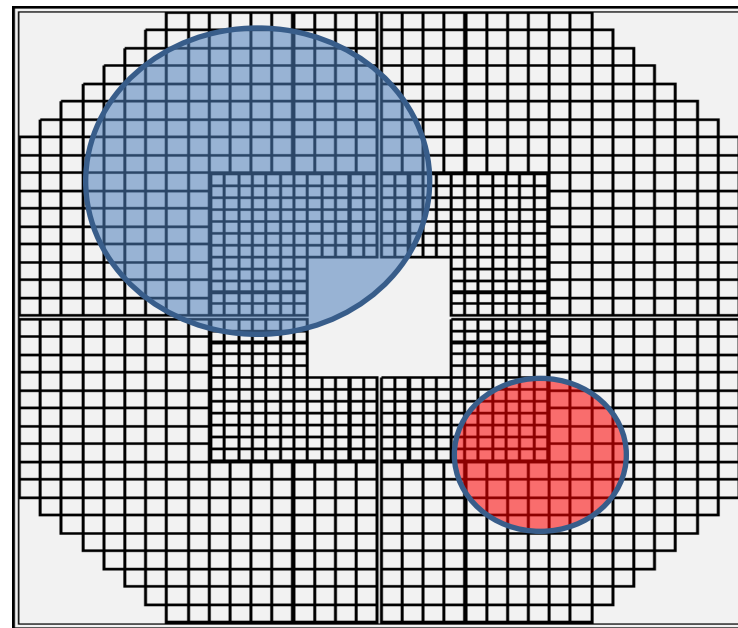
$$A_N(p_T) \propto \frac{1}{p_T}$$



# Isolation of $\pi^0$ 's

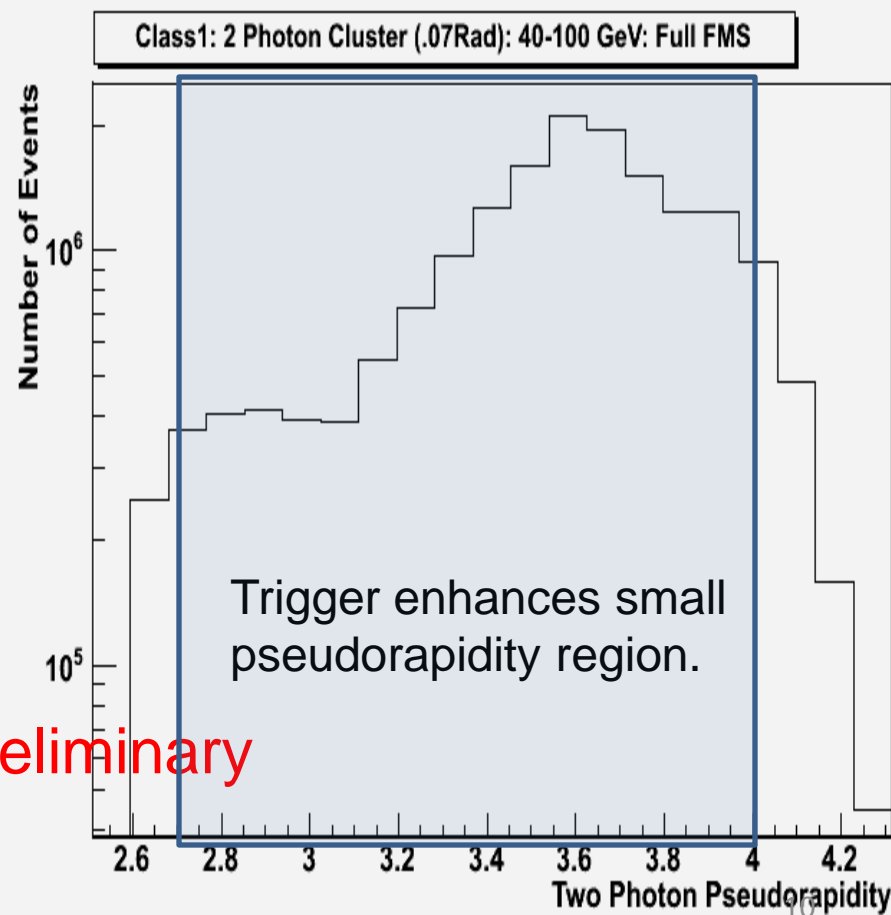
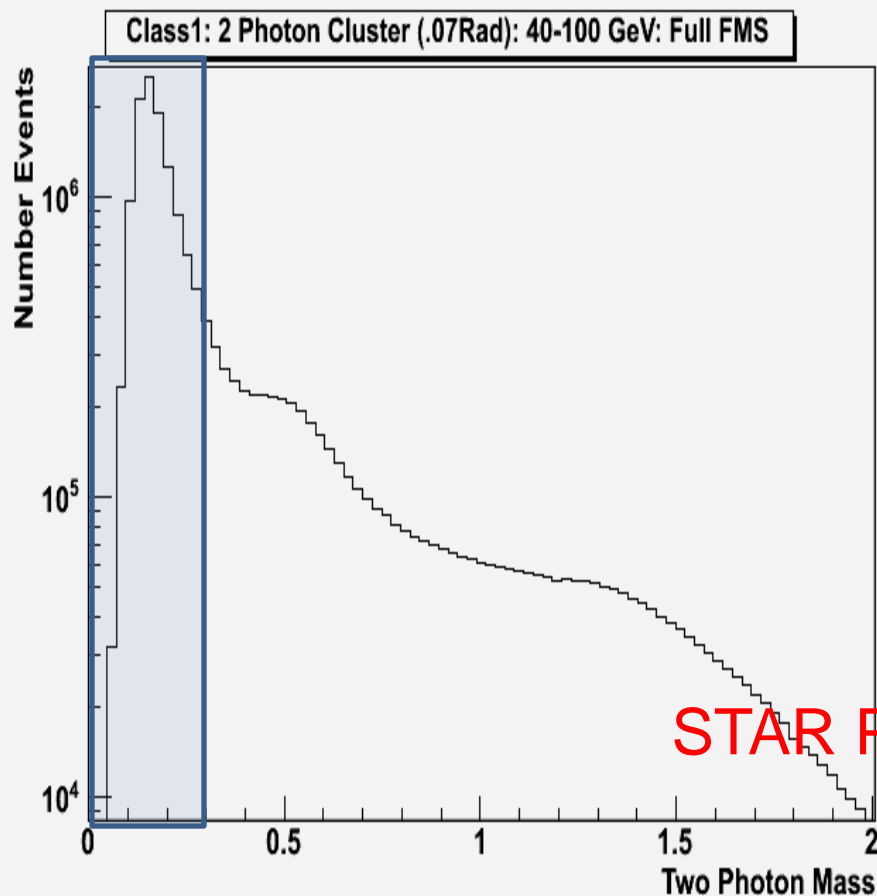
## Event Selection:

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, $\pi^0$ 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  $\pi^0$  Peak ( $0.02 < \text{Mass} < 0.3$ )
- Average polarization:  $51.6\% \pm 6.7\%$  (RHIC Spin CNI Group <http://www.phy.bnl.gov/cnipol/>)
- Integrated Luminosity:  $22 \text{ pb}^{-1}$



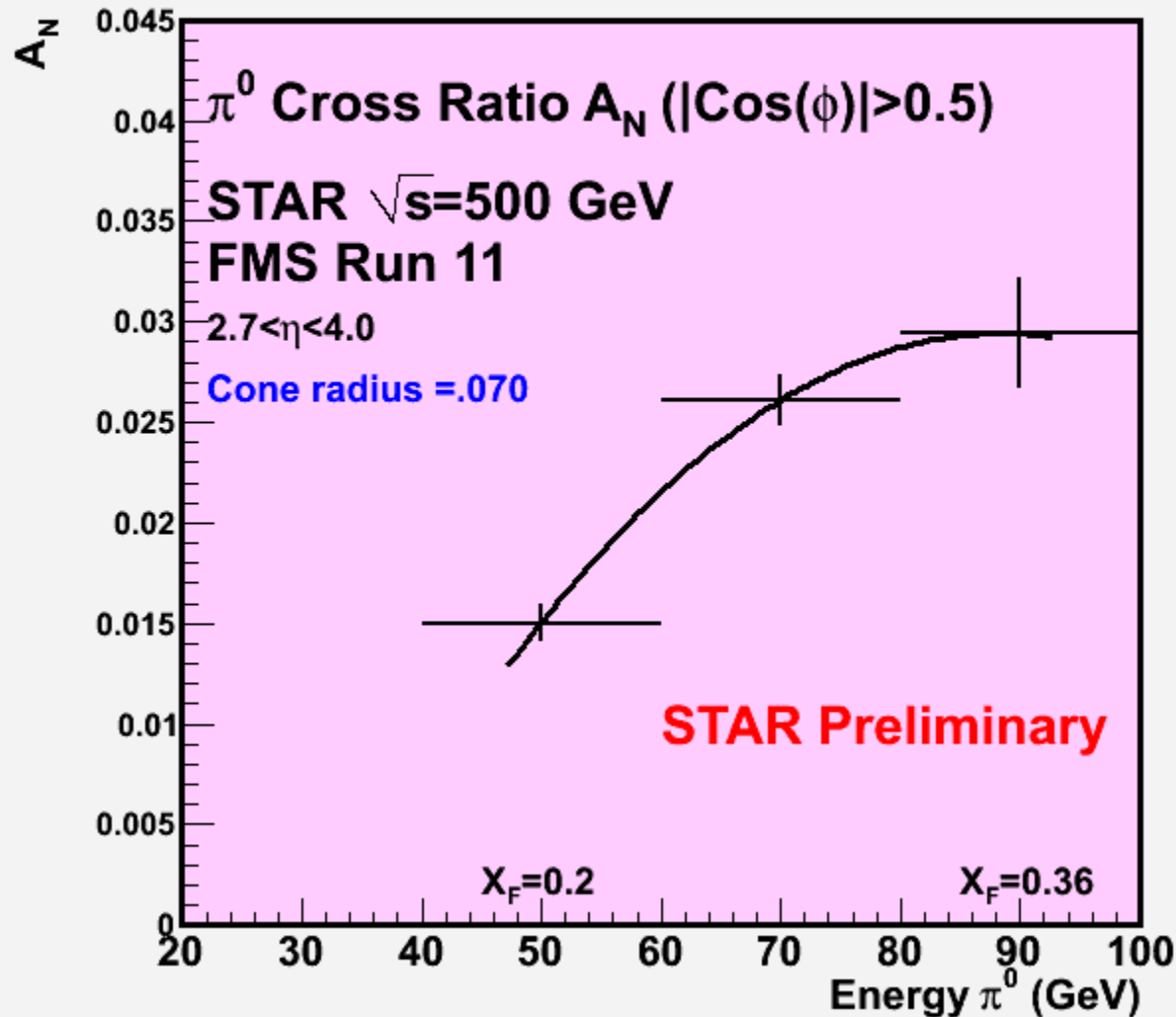
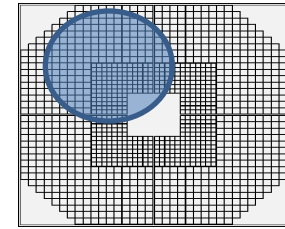
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# Cross Ratio Transverse Single Spin Asymmetry for Run 11

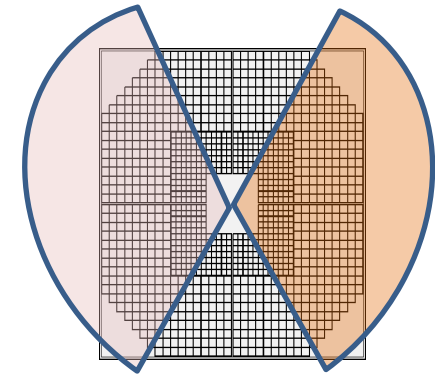
$\pi^0$  (2 Photon Cluster) Cluster size = 0.07 Rad

For Blue Beam (Forward)

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



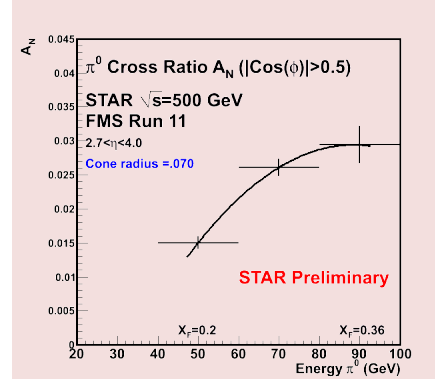
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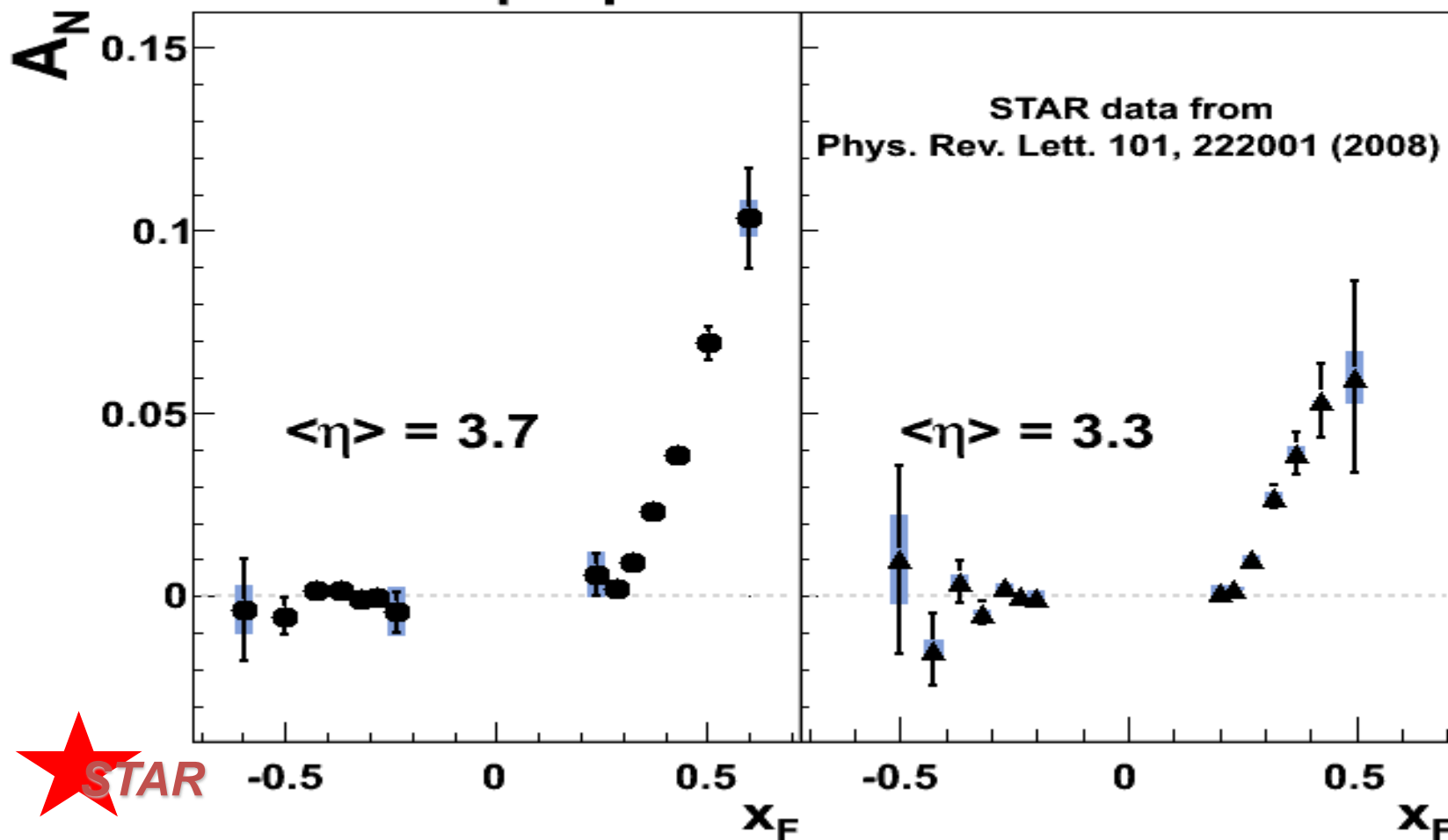
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Compare **new  $\sqrt{s}=500$  GeV Run 11 Full FMS Data** on right with **Run 6  $\sqrt{s}=200$**  published data below.

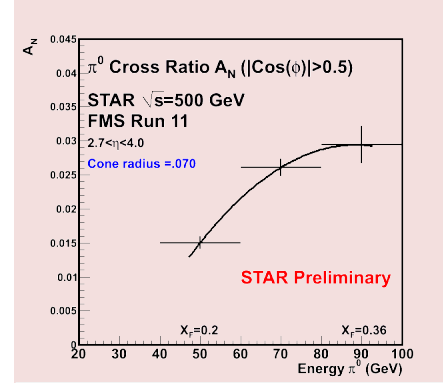


**$p + p \rightarrow \pi^0 + X$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 200$  GeV**

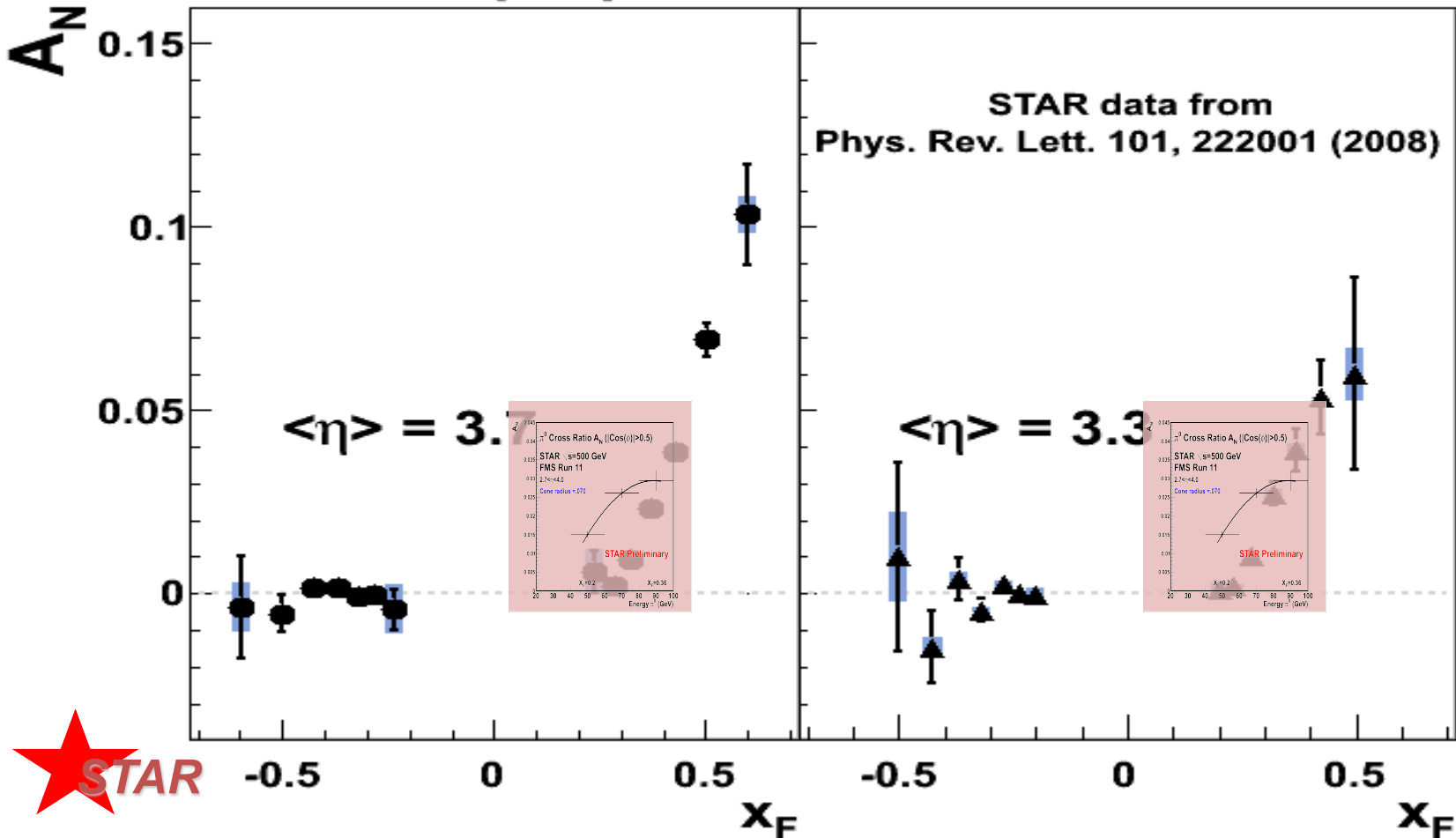


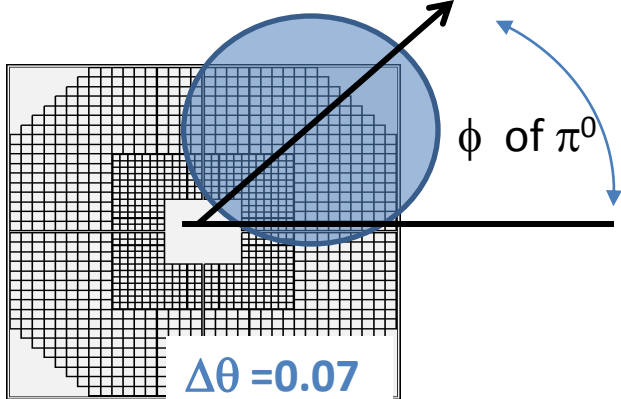
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Scale of  $A_N$  similar but starts at lower  $X_F$  in Run 11 data.



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Blue Beam  $A_N$

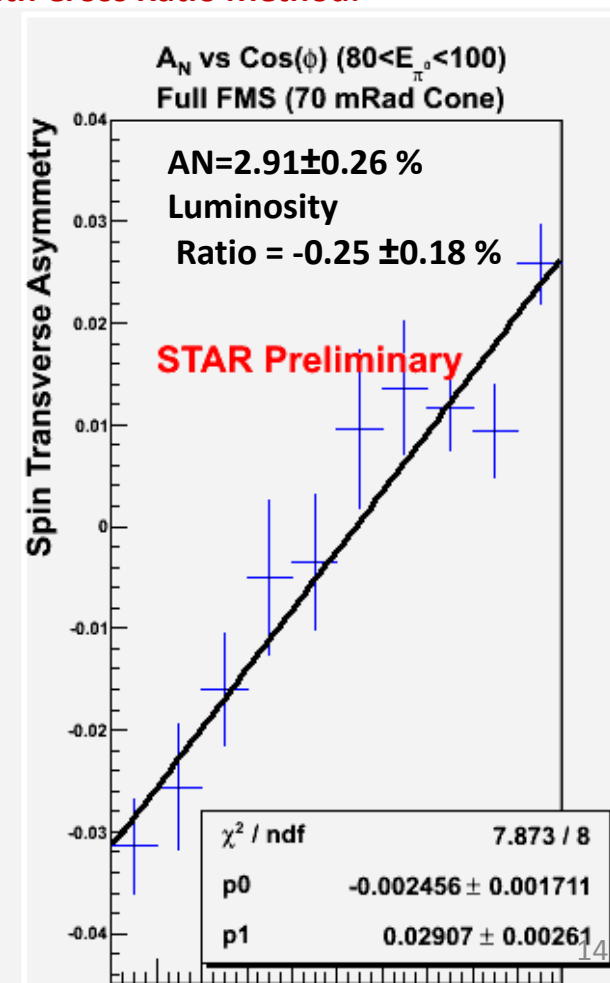
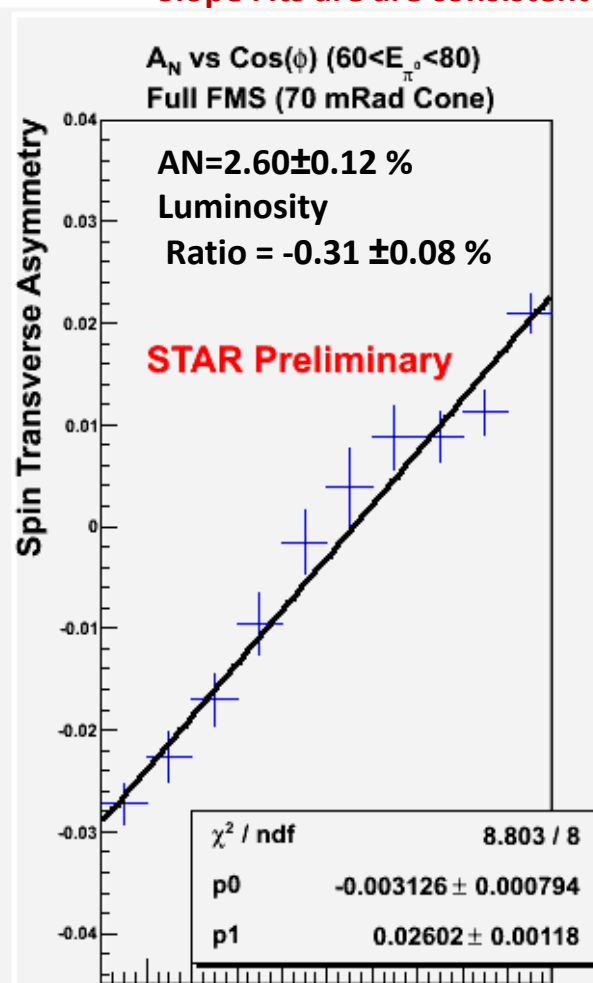
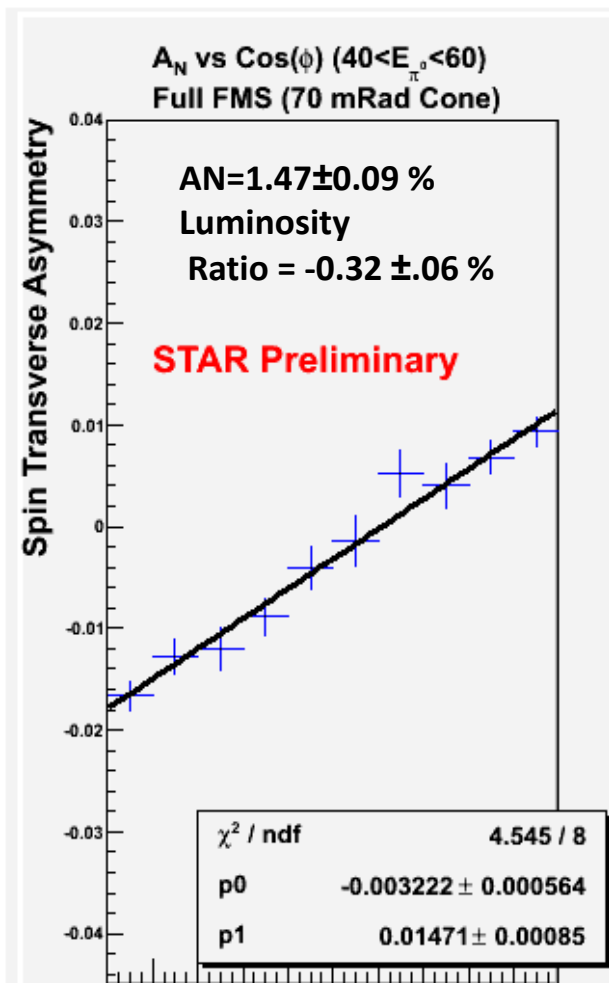
As an alternative to Cross Ratio, the raw asymmetry can be plotted as a function of  $\text{Cos}(\phi)$  (with polarization axis at  $\text{Phi}=\pi/2$ )

Slope =  $A_N$

Intercept = Luminosity Ratio for data set

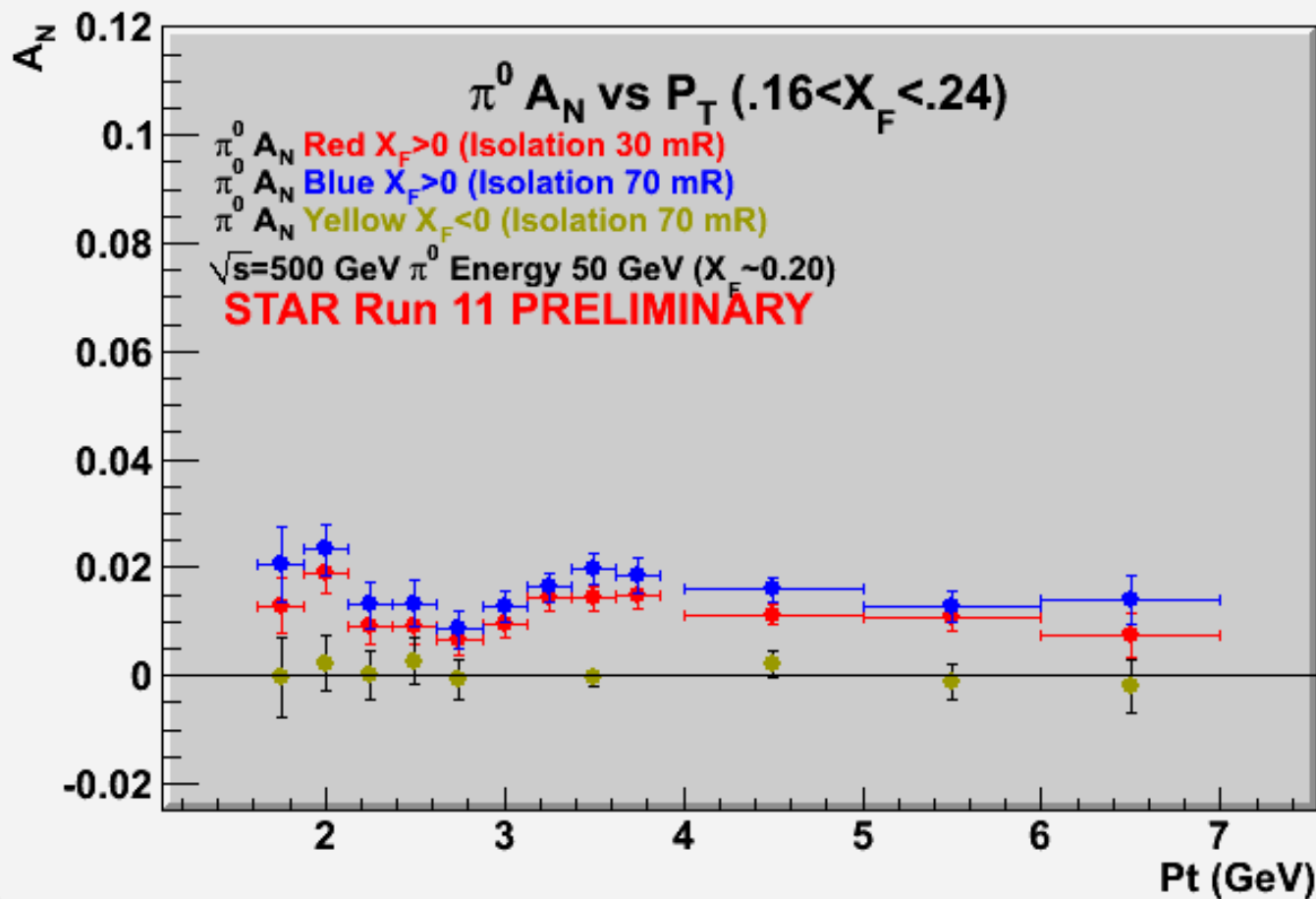
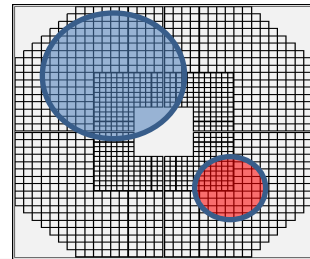
Luminosity ratio for all  $\sim -0.31 \pm 0.05 \%$

Slope Fits are consistent with Cross Ratio Method.

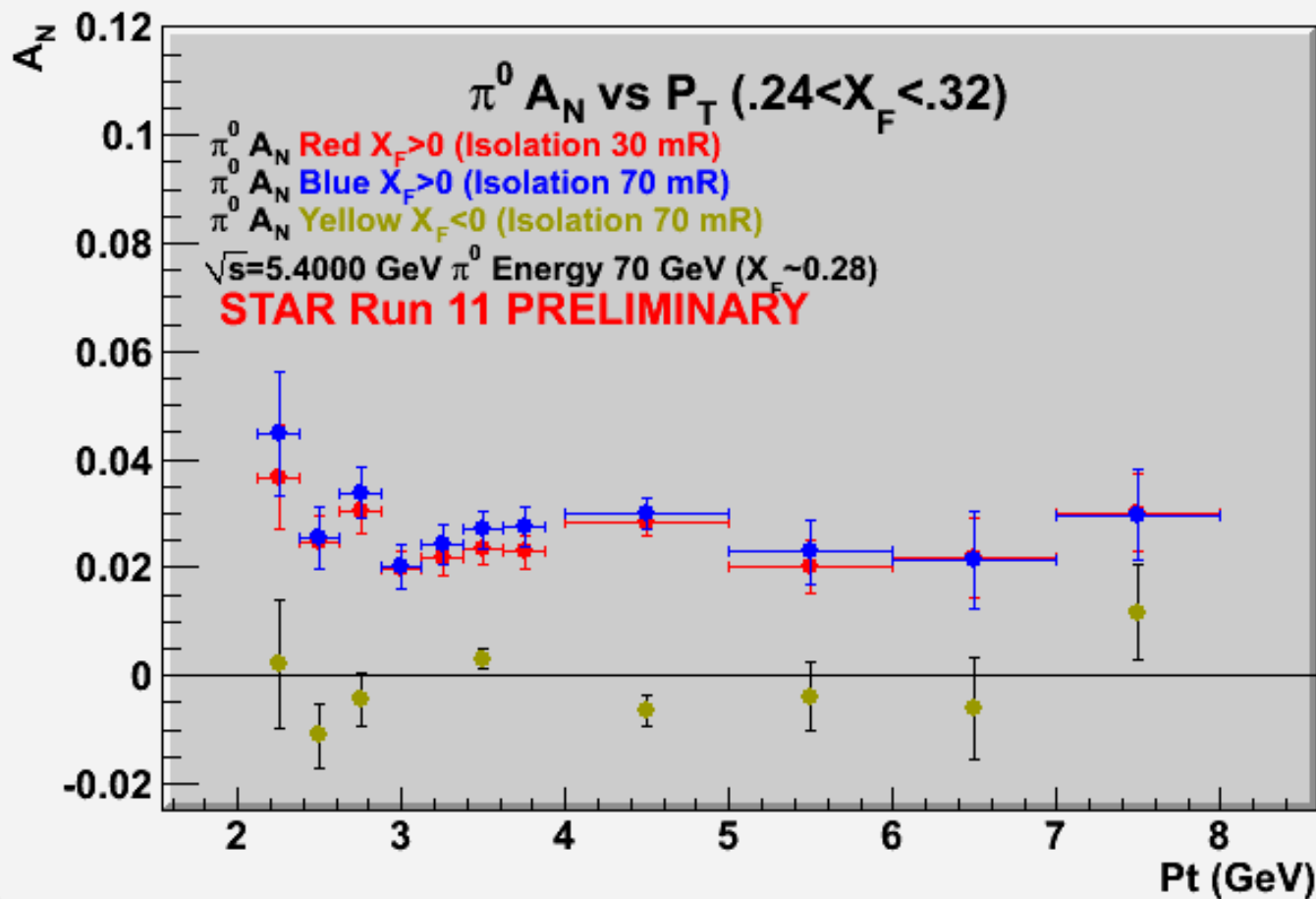
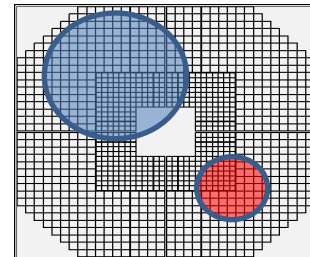




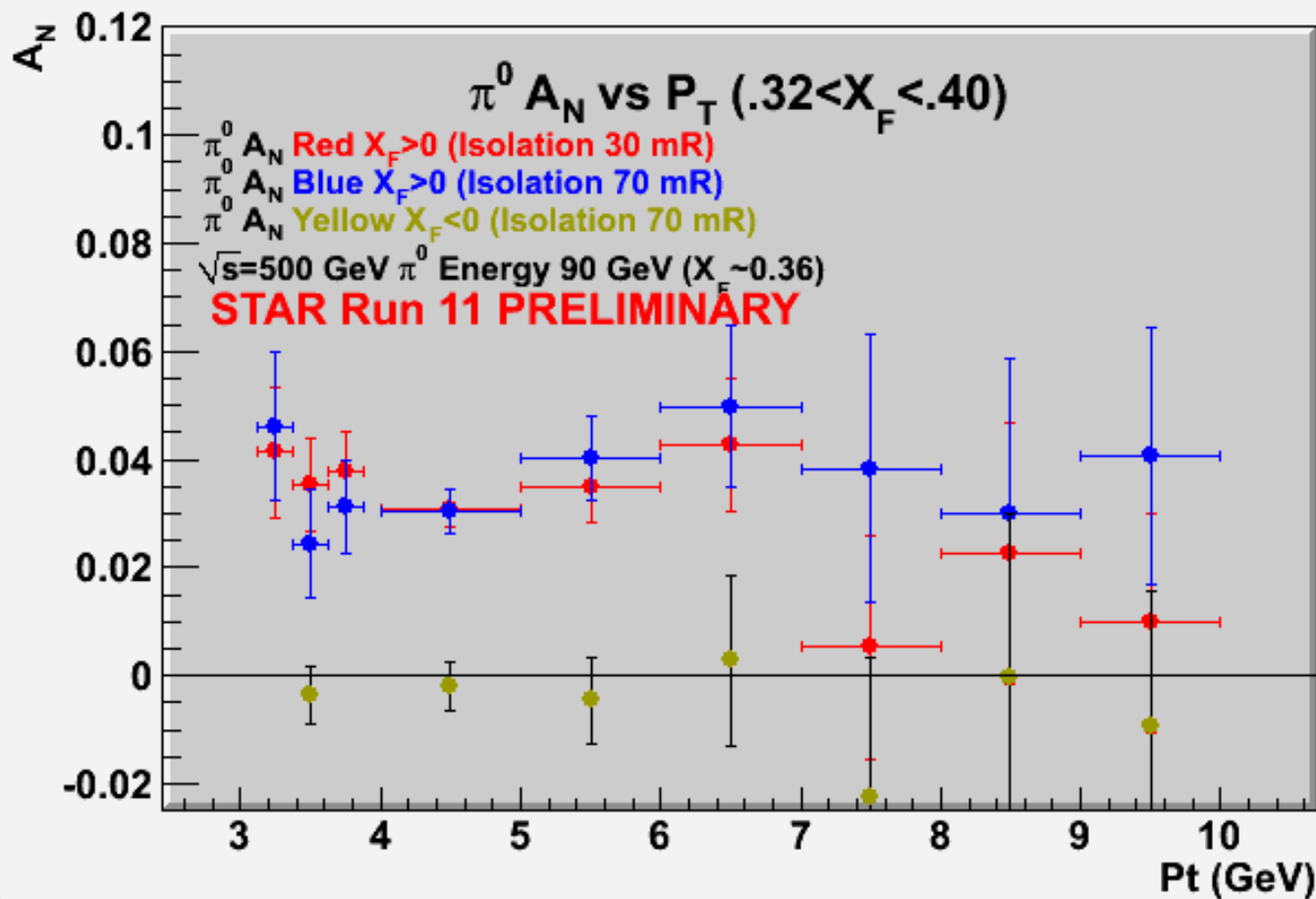
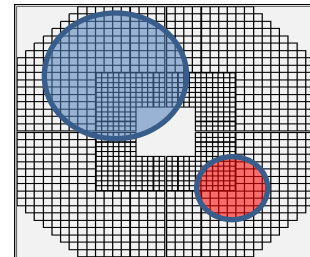
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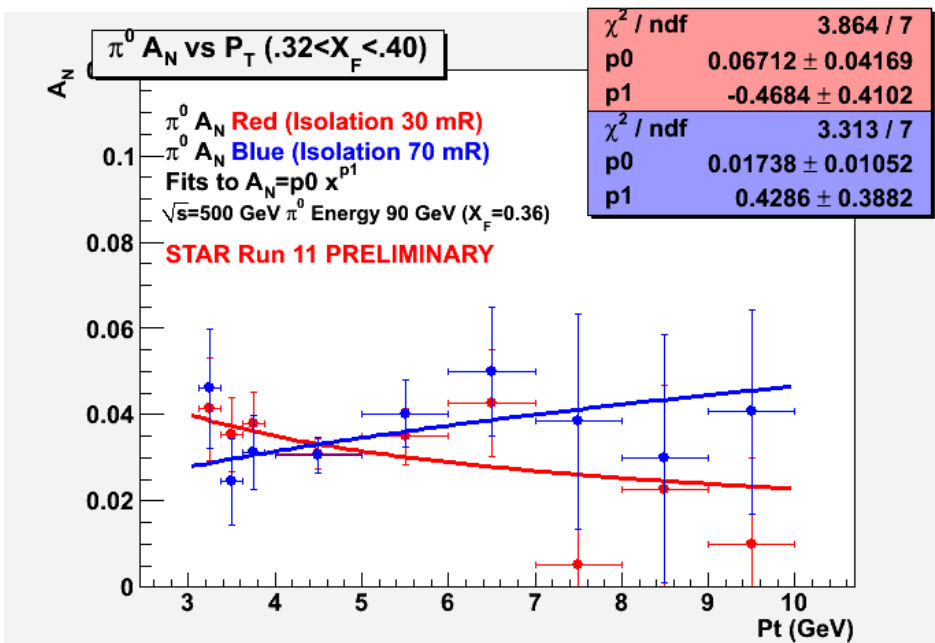
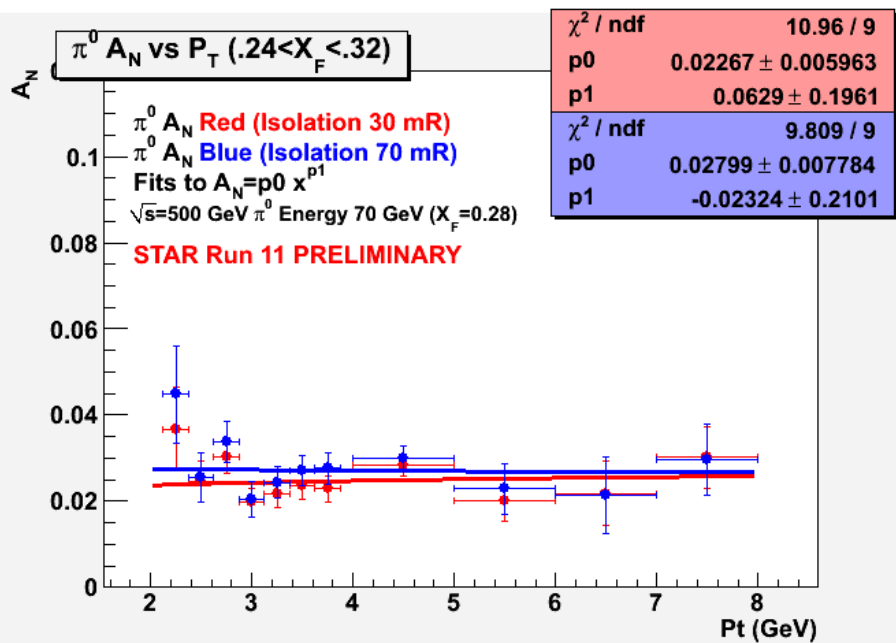
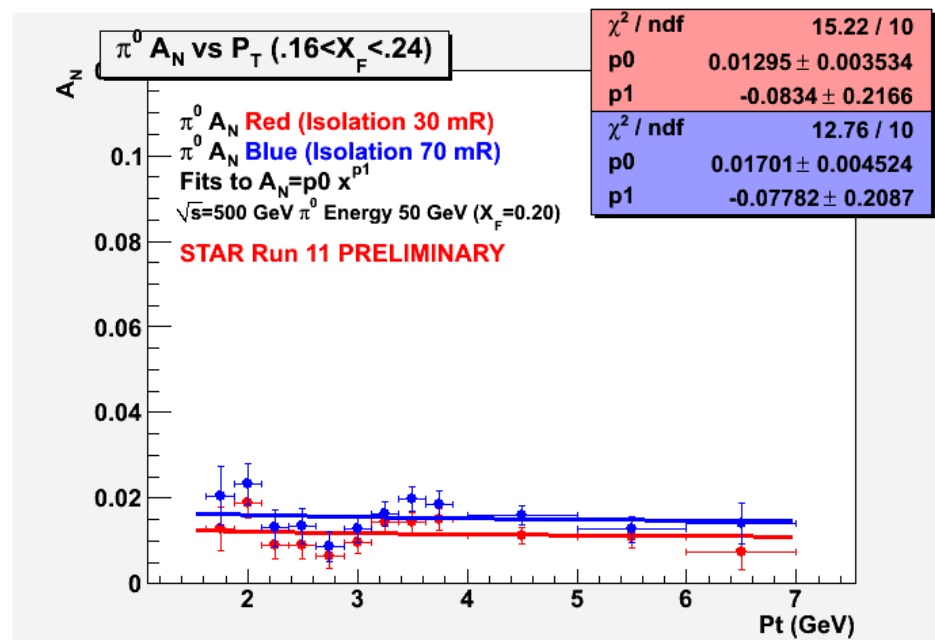
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Higher Twist or other pQCD related models suggest  $A_N$  should fall at large  $P_T$  with at least 1 power of  $P_T$ .

These plots include 2 parameter fits for  $A_N$  vs  $P_T$ :

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

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



# Systematic Errors

- Run 11 blue beam polarization  $51.6\% \pm 6.7$
- Non  $\pi^0$  signal  $< 10\%$
- Similar asymmetries for Background:

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

$$\frac{\Delta A_N}{A_N} < 5\%$$

- $P_T$  uncertainty
  - Energy 10%
  - Angle 6%

$$\frac{\Delta A_N}{A_N} < 13\%$$

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Total Systematic Asymmetry Error  
Common to all data points.

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



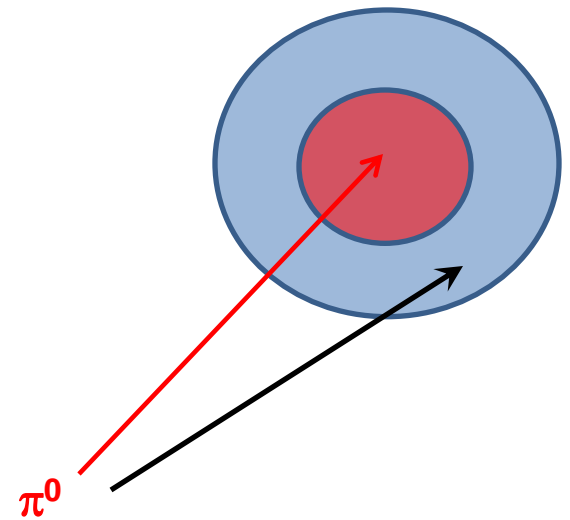
# Conclusion

## STAR $\pi^0$ $A_N$ at $\sqrt{s}=500$ GeV

- $A_N$  increases with  $X_F$  (as seen at lower energies).
- $A_N$  less dependent on  $P_T$  than models predict to  $P_T \sim 10$  GeV/c. Data may be consistent with flat dependence on  $P_T$ .
- For data points at  $X_F < 0.32$ ,  $A_N$  is significantly larger when the  $\pi^0$ s are more isolated (0.07 Rad).

Additional E&M signals in the same general direction as the  $\pi^0$  ( $> \sim 5$  GeV between 0.03 and 0.07 radians from the  $\pi^0$ ) contribute little to the observed Transverse Single Spin Asymmetry.

- **New Data Coming RHIC RUN 12**
  - ~20 pb<sup>-1</sup> of  $\sqrt{s}=200$  GeV pp
  - ~Transversely Polarized FMS data
  - ~ Similar measurement up to  $P_T > 6$  GeV/c

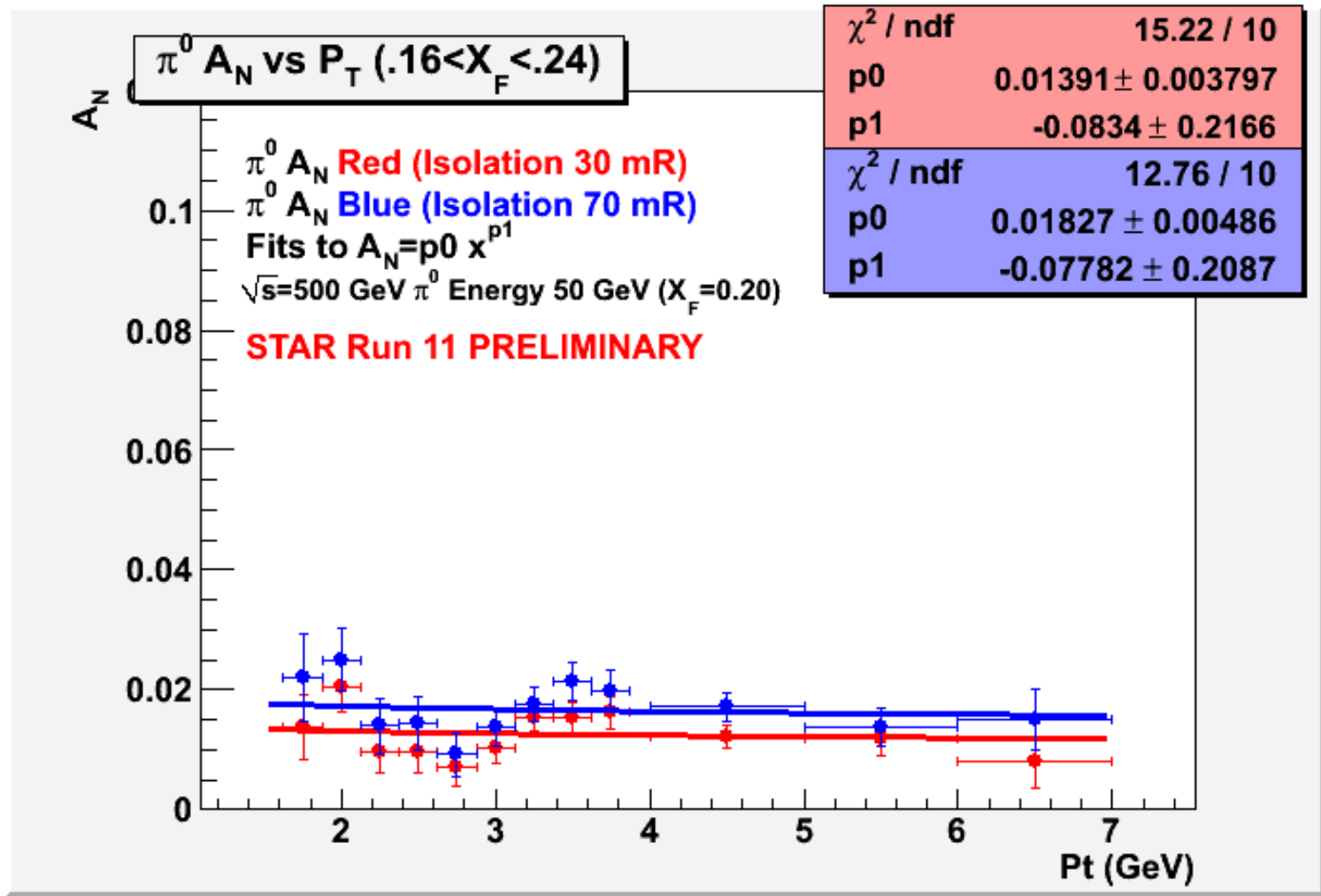




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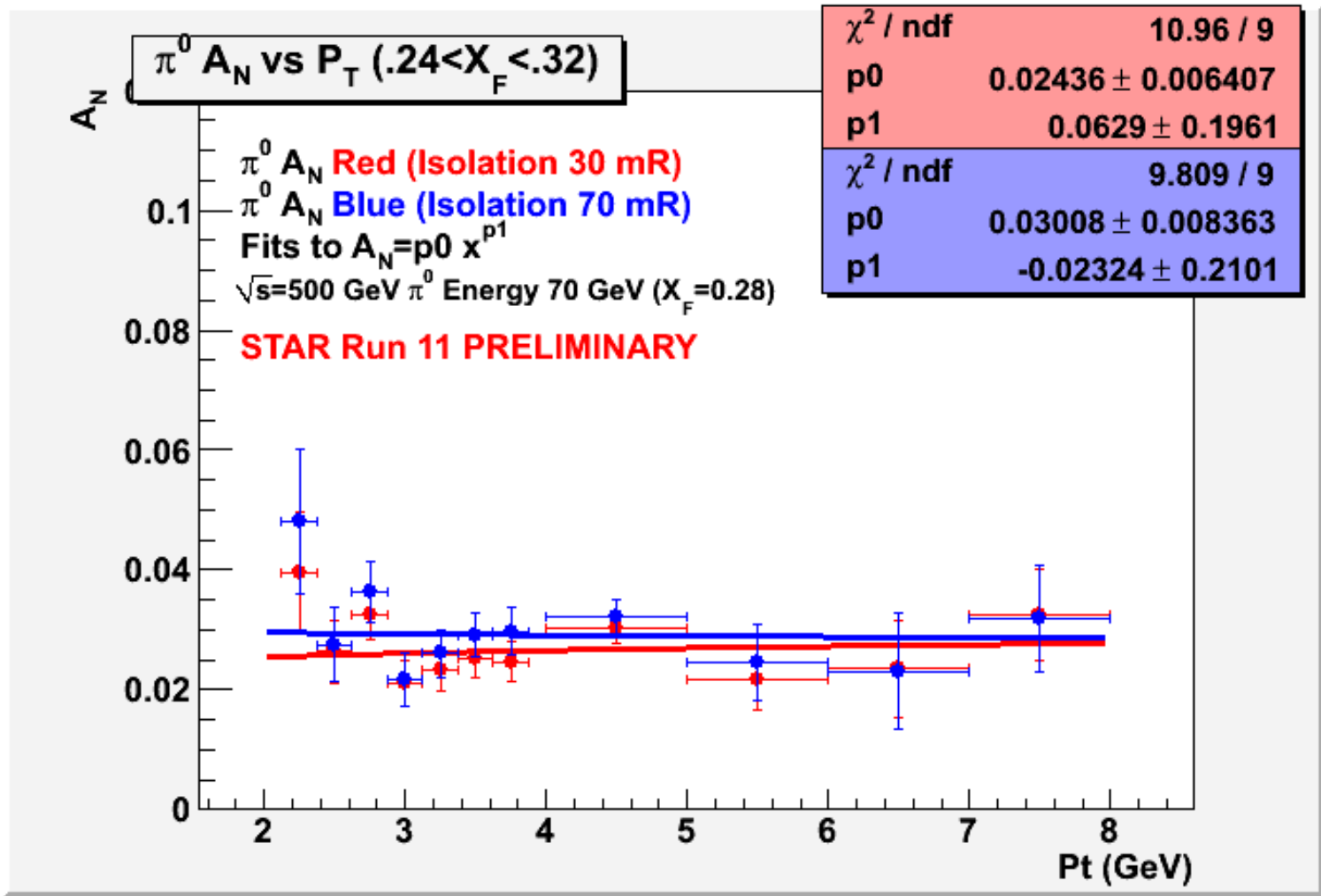
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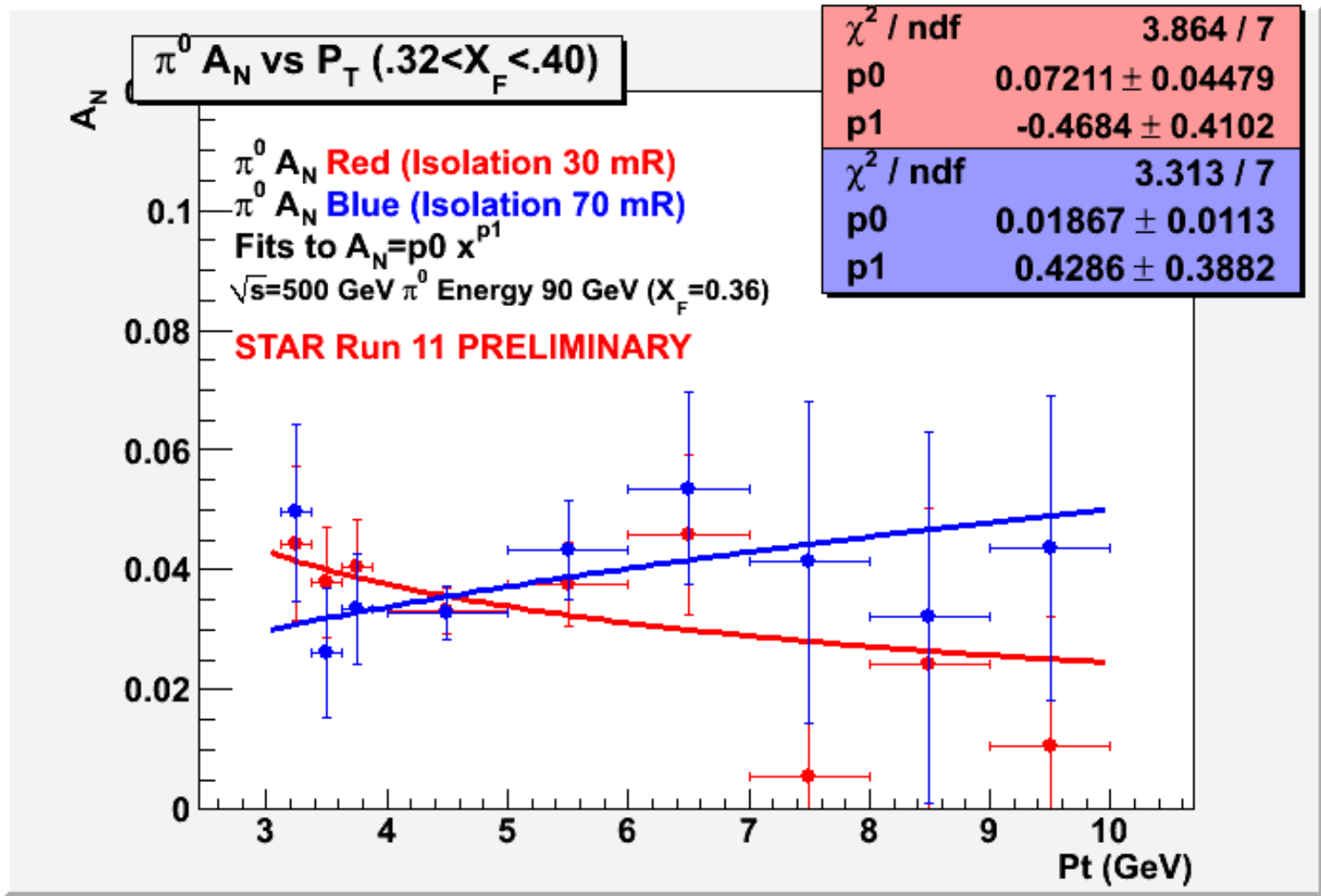
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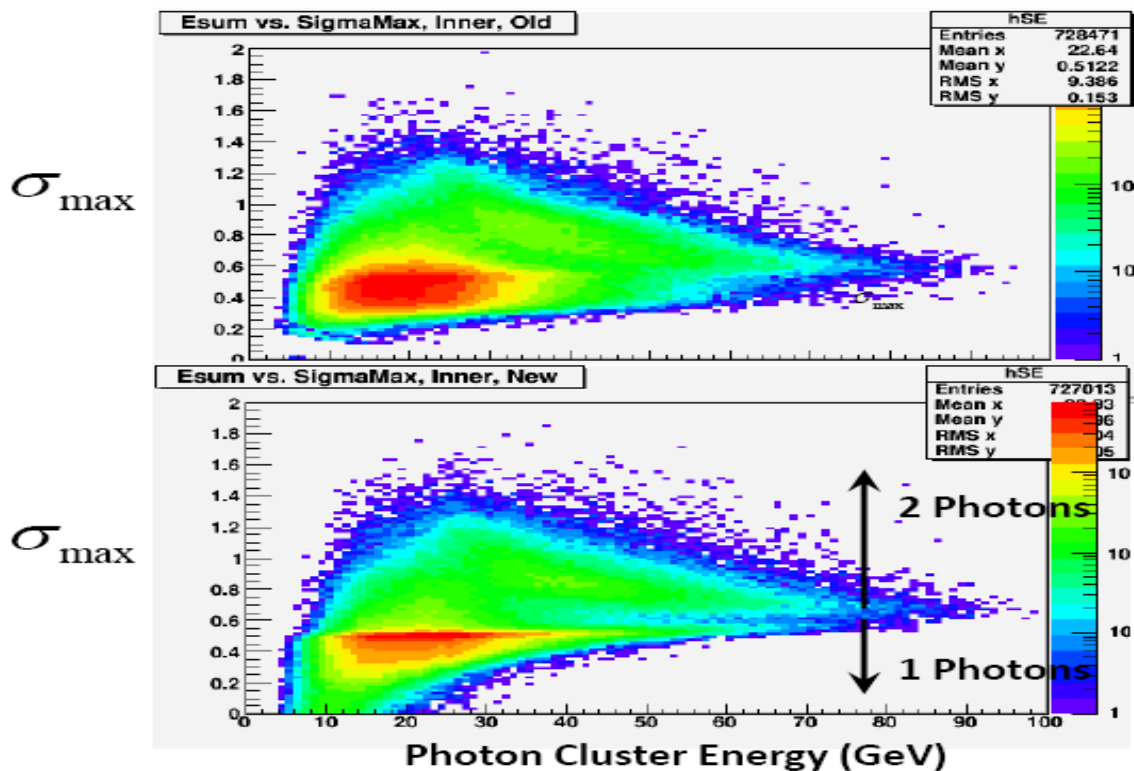


$$\Delta\sigma_x^2 = \frac{\sum_{i(e_i > e_0)} (x_i - x_0)^2 \ln(e_i / e_0)}{\sum_{i(e_i > e_0)} \ln(e_i / e_0)}$$

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

**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  $\pi^0$  and single photon. Clusters up to  $\sim 80$  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  $\langle \text{SigmaMax} \rangle \sim .75$

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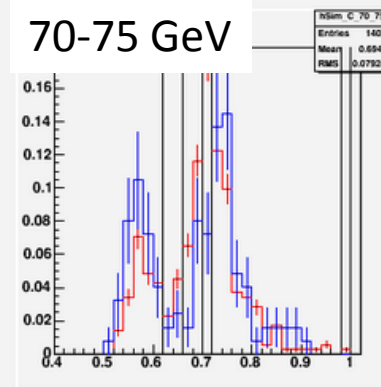
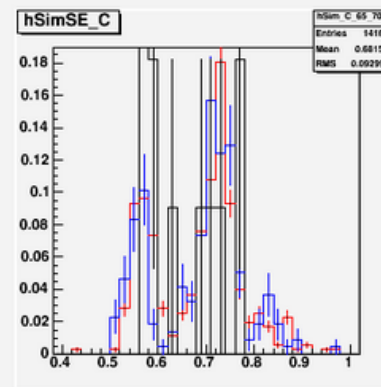
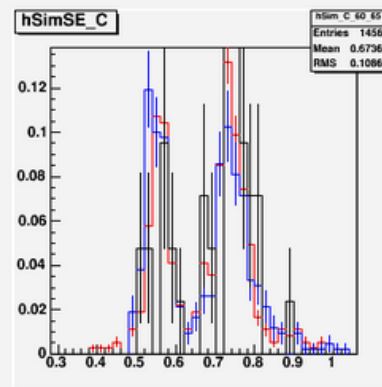
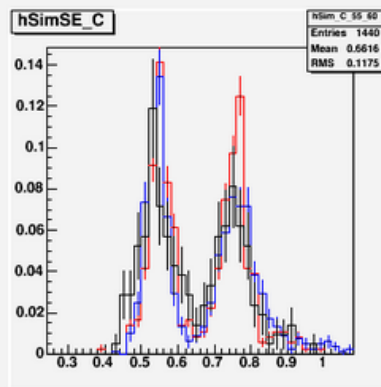
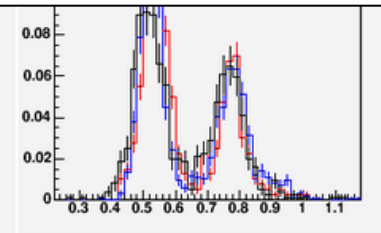
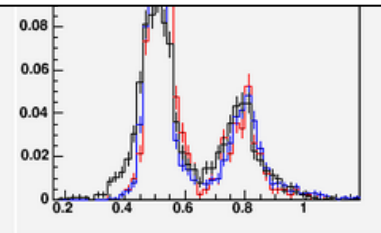
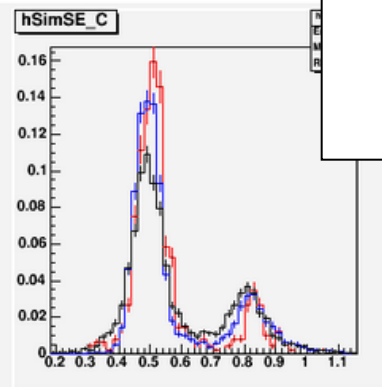
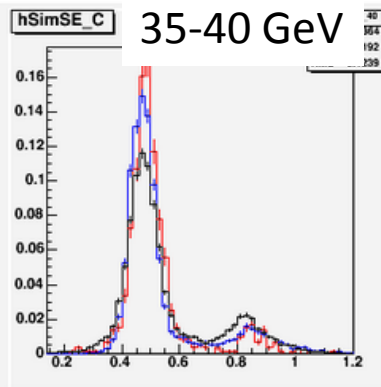
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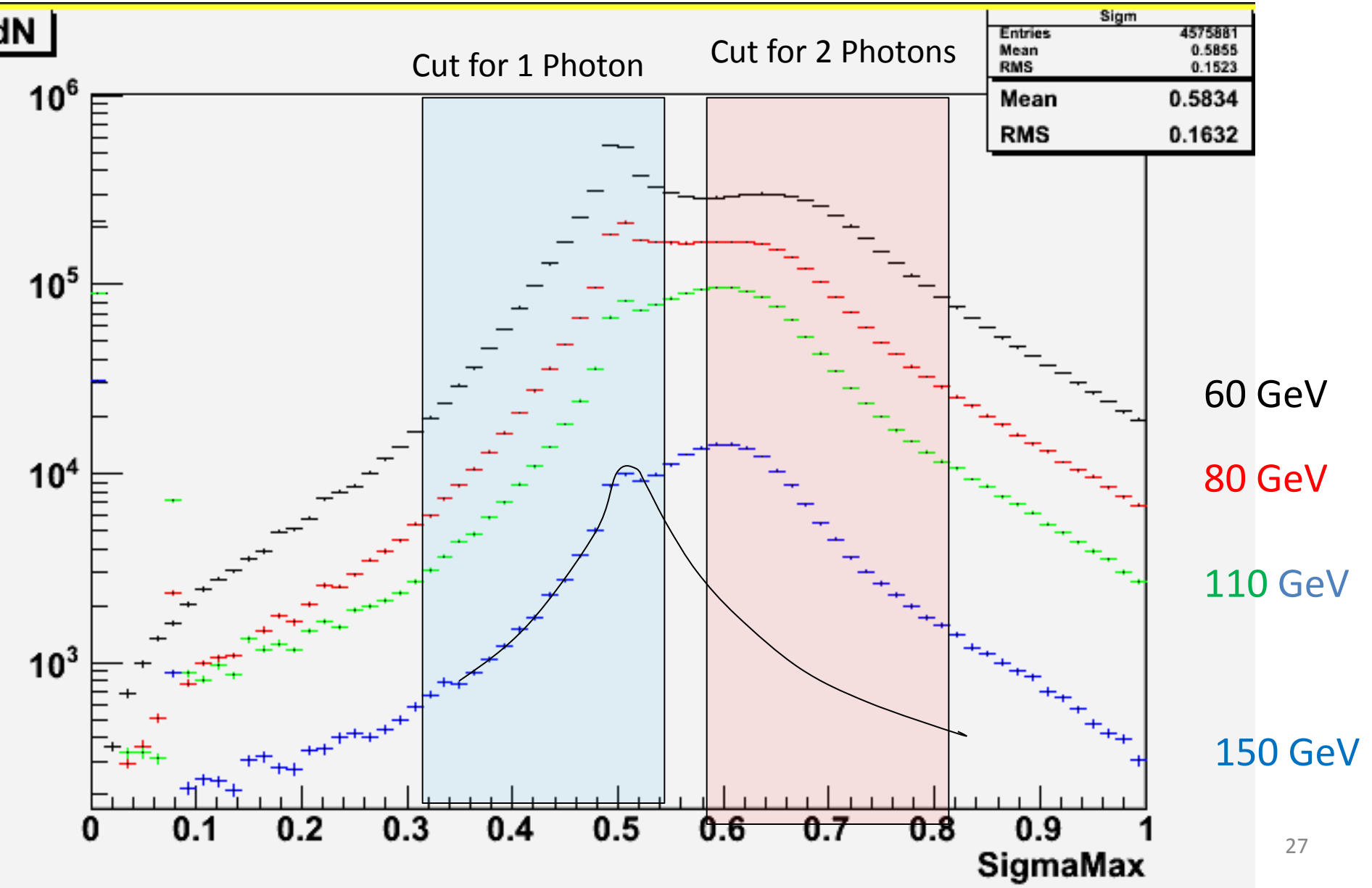
**BLACK:** Data (only set 61)  
**RED:** flat-distribution pi0 toy events + GSTAR, with digitization and 1-count pedestals  
**BLUE:** Pythia 6.4 + GSTAR, with digitization and 1-count pedestal uncertainty  
 Clusters are divided into 4 categories, and for each category there are 8 plots for 8

1. Inner central



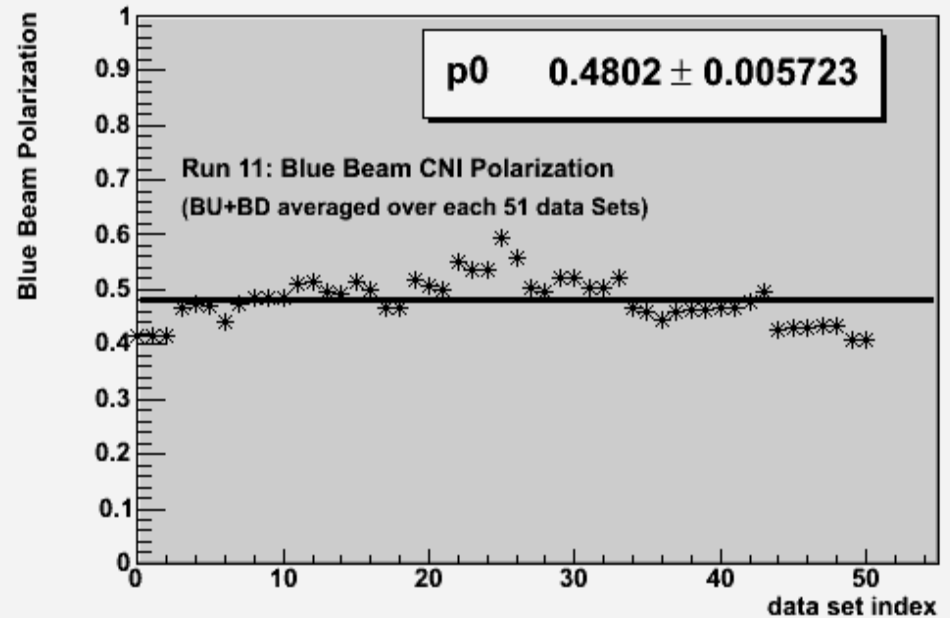


Run 11 distributions of SigmaMax as a indicator of single photon vs  $\pi^0$  only slowly degrades with higher energy.



## Blue Beam Polarization Measurements

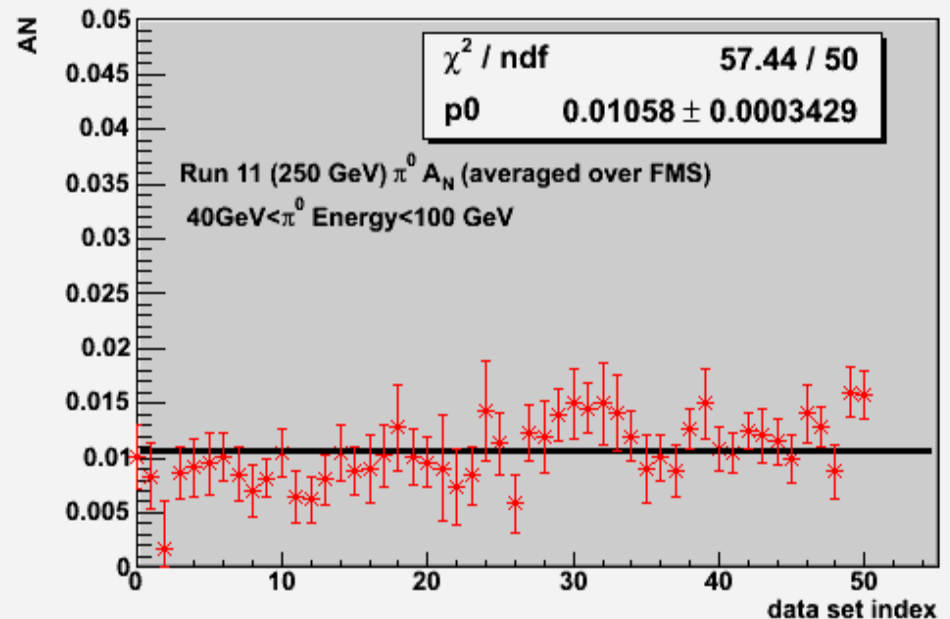
- CNI polarimeter data
- Average polarization for 51 consecutive time periods each data set represents  $\sim \frac{1}{2}$  day of running.



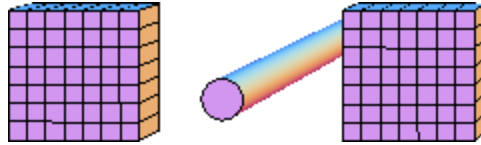
As from previous slide:

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

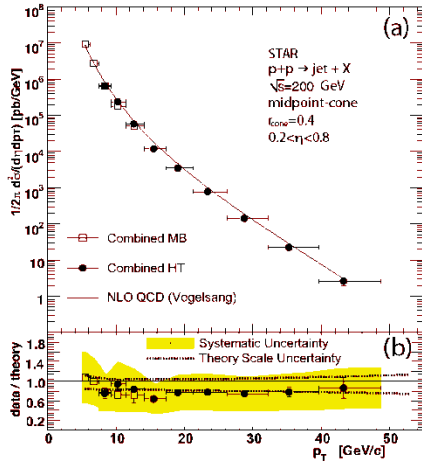
- $22.4 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- $2.6 < \text{pseudorapidity} < 4.1$
- $40 \text{ GeV} < \text{Energy } \pi^0 < 100 \text{ GeV}$
- Average polarization 48%
- Corrected each of of 51 sets (each set  $\sim \frac{1}{2}$  day of data)



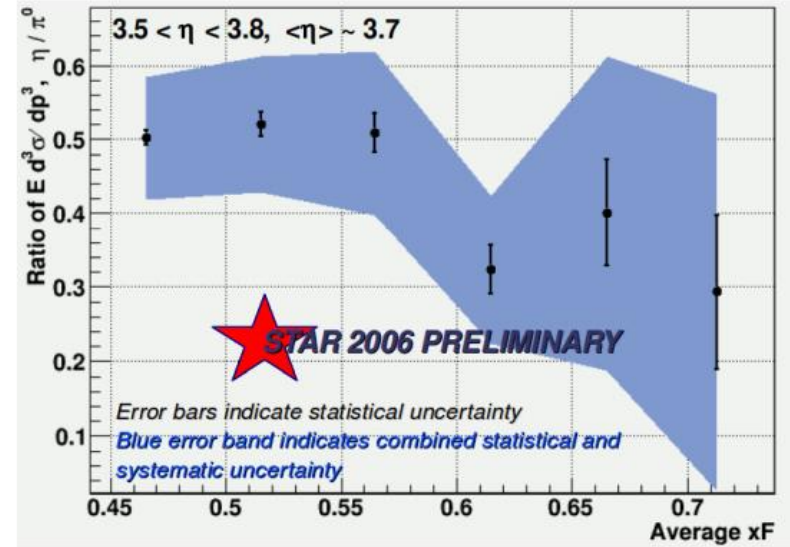
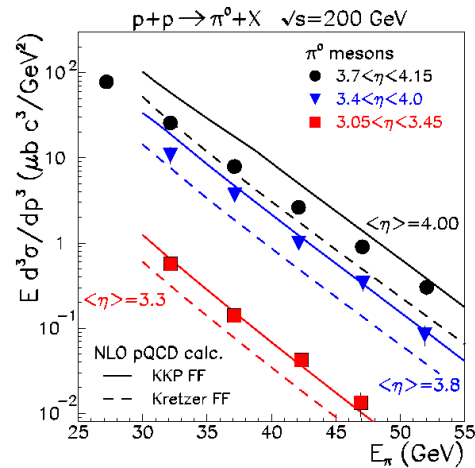
# Unpolarized Cross Sections agree with Collinear Factorization PQCD



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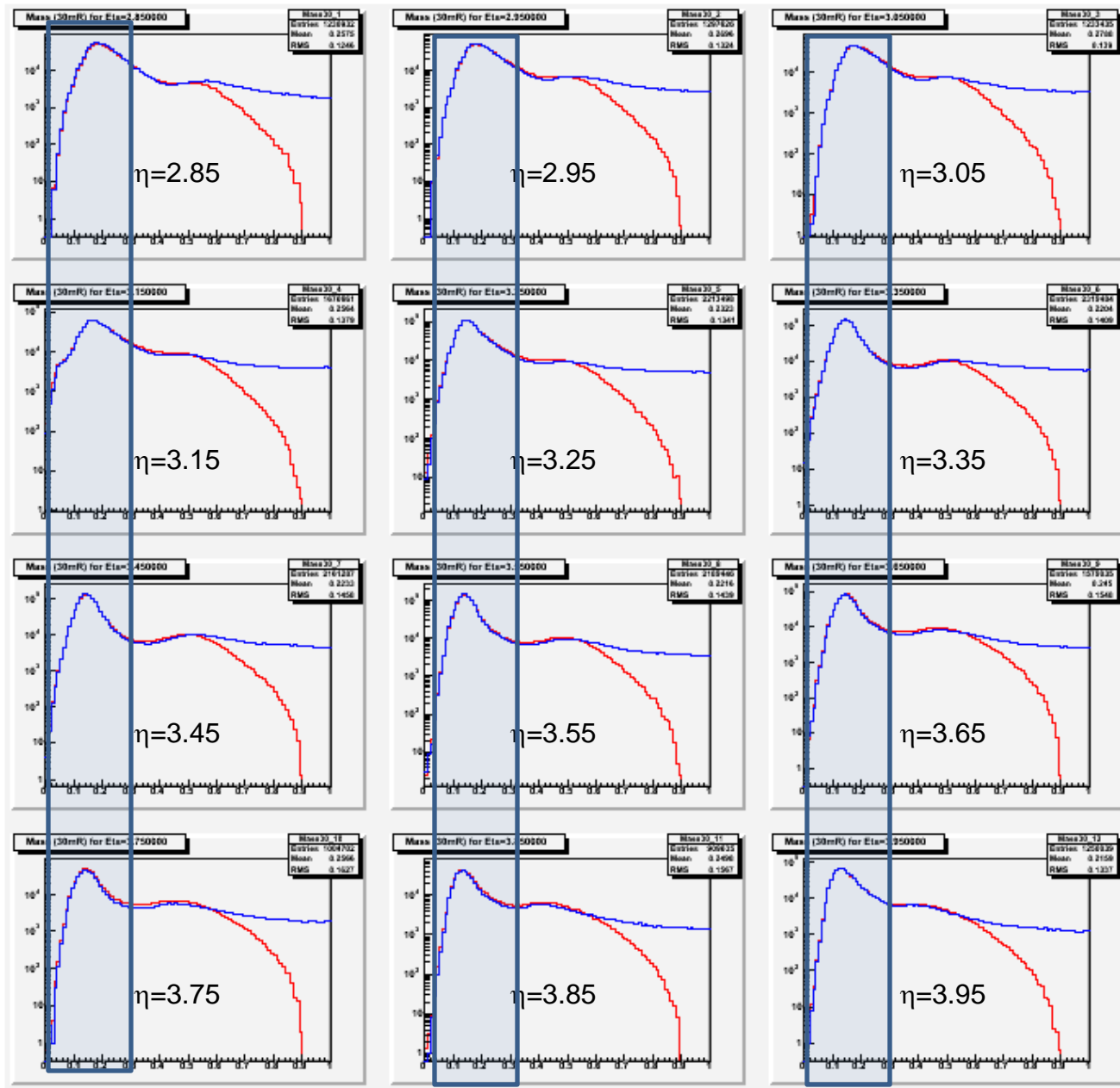


- Jet Mid-rapidity (Left) and Pi0 Forward Rapidity (right)
- Cross section for  $\pi^0$  nominally consistent with NLO pQCD.
- Cross section for  $\eta$  (with nominal fragmentation) may also be consistent.



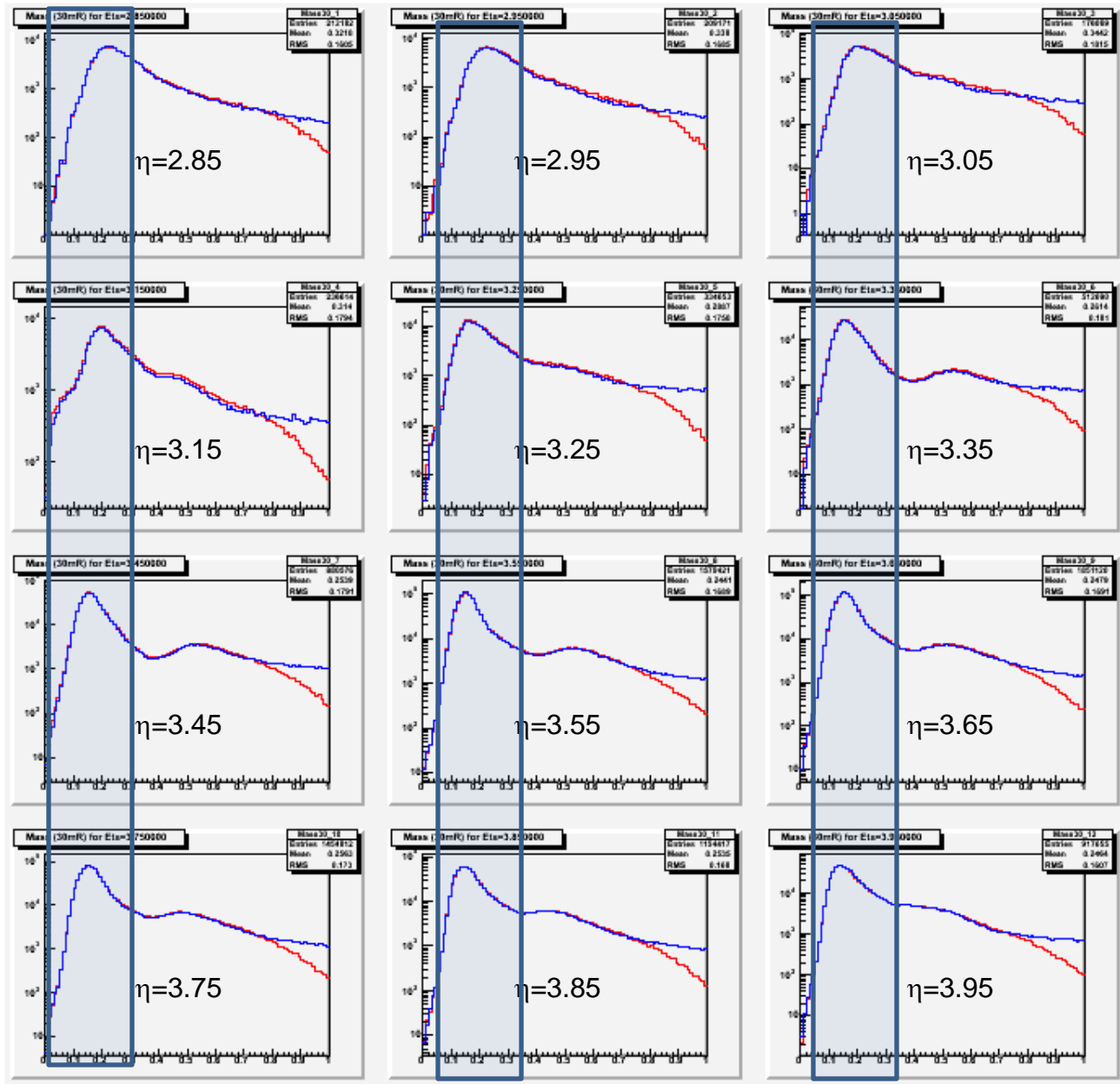
# Mass Distribution in $\eta$ bins ( $40 < E < 60$ GeV) $r=1.53$

Red=(cone 30 mR) Blue=1.53 (cone 70 mR)



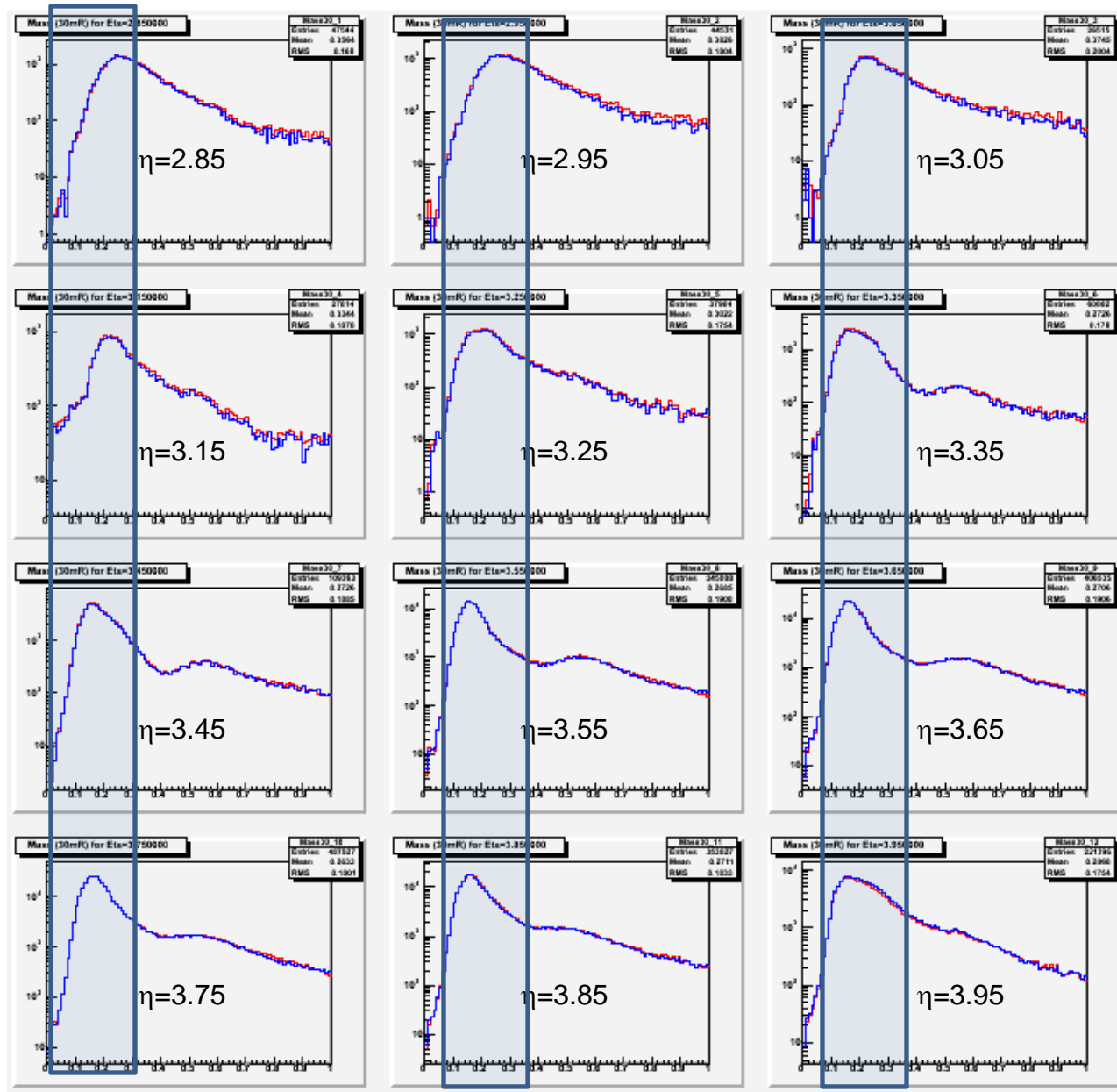
# Mass Distribution in $\eta$ bins ( $60 < E < 80$ GeV) $r=1.41$

Red=(cone 30 mR) Blue=1.41(cone 70 mR)



# Mass Distribution in $\eta$ bins ( $80 < E < 100$ GeV) $r=1.37$

Red=(cone 30 mR)    Blue=1.37(cone 70 mR)



Calculate the **asymmetry** and **error** associated with the “Extra Events” that are included in the 30 mR cone but not the 70 mR Cone

Let  $p$  be the average “blue” beam polarization.

Let  $A_{N30}$  be the Asymmetry for the 30mR cone

Let  $A_{N70}$  be the Asymmetry for the 70mR cone

Let  $\Delta A_{N30}$  and  $\Delta A_{N70}$  be the Errors.

Let  $N_{30}$  and  $N_{70}$  be the numbers of events.

$$pA_{N30} = \frac{N_{u30} - N_{d30}}{N_{u30} + N_{d30}} = \frac{N_{u30} - N_{d30}}{N_{30}}$$

$$pA_{N70} = \frac{N_{u70} - N_{d70}}{N_{70}}$$

$$p\Delta A_{N30} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{30}}}$$

$$p\Delta A_{N70} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{70}}}$$

Assume

**E=50 GeV: r=1.51**

**E=70 GeV: r=1.41**

**E=90 GeV: r=1.31**

$$\frac{N_{30}}{N_{70}} = r$$

$$\frac{N_{30}}{N_{30} - N_{70}} = \frac{r}{r - 1}$$

$$\frac{N_{70}}{N_{30} - N_{70}} = \frac{1}{r - 1}$$

$$A_{ring} = \frac{r}{r - 1} A_{N30} - \frac{1}{r - 1} A_{N70}$$

$$\Delta A_{ring} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{ring}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{30} - N_{70}}}$$

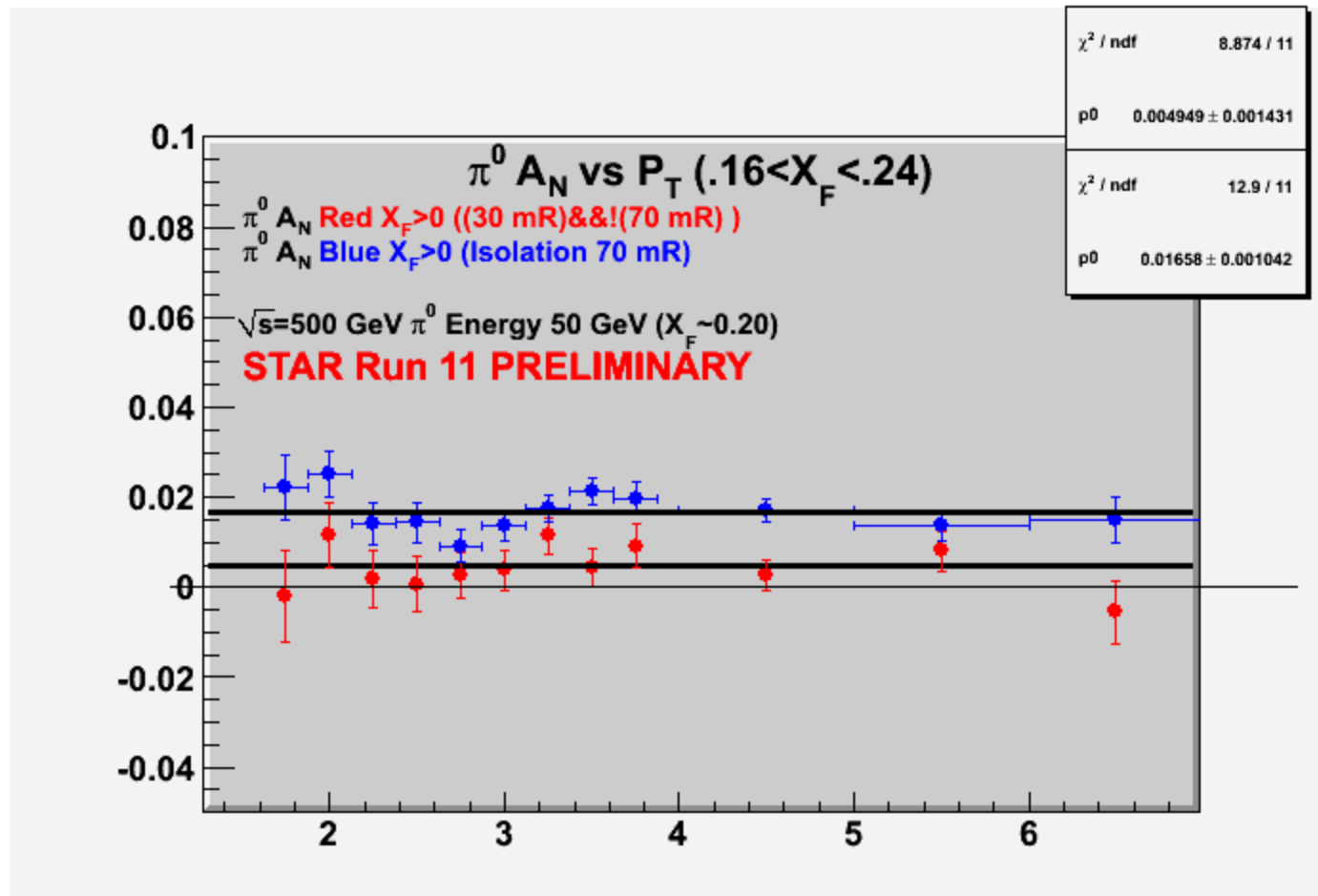
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{70}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{r - 1}} = \Delta A_{N70} \frac{1}{\sqrt{r - 1}}$$

Compare Fits to constant  $A_N$

Red= 30mR cone but not 70 mR cont

Blue=70mR cone

Difference : (1.66% - .49%)=1.17% ( 8 sigma difference)



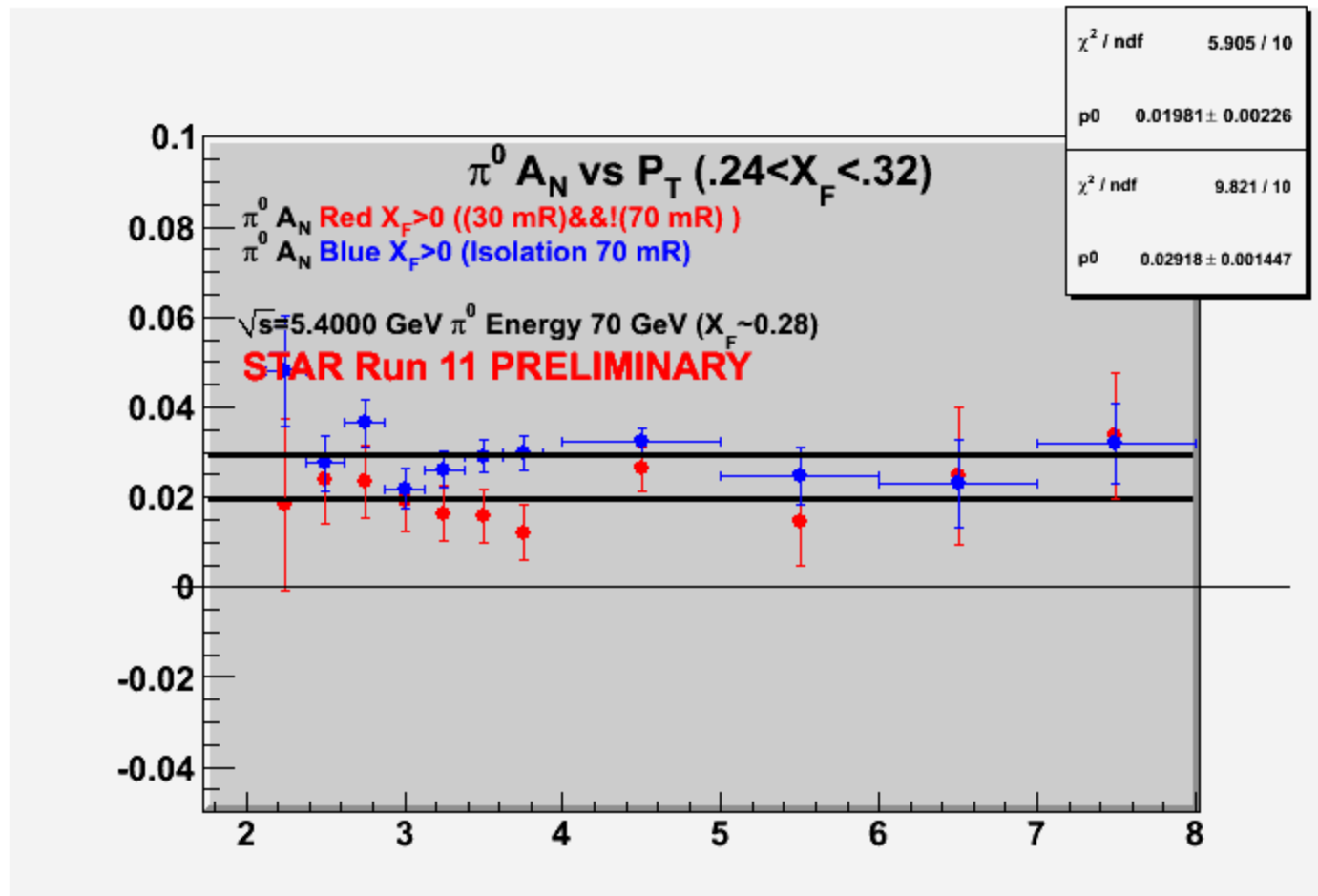


Compare Fits to constant  $A_N$

Red= 30mR cone but not 70 mR cont

Blue=70mR cone

Difference 2.92% - 1.98%=0.94% ( 4 sigma difference)



Compare Fits to constant  $A_N$

Red= 30mR cone but not 70 mR cont

Blue=70mR cone

Difference 3.57% - 3.44% = 0.13% ( 0.4 sigma difference)

