

# $\Delta G/G$ measurement at COMPASS

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## Outline:

- COMPASS experiment
- Motivation for  $\Delta G/G$  measurement
- Three methods of  $\Delta G/G$  measurement:
  - Open charm
  - High  $p_T$  pairs ( $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )
  - High  $p_T$  pairs ( $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )
- Outlook and conclusions



# COmmon Muon and Proton Apparatus for Structure and Spectroscopy



The experiment:

- ~250 physicists
- 28 institutes
- programmes with muon and hadron beams
- data taking started in 2002
- continued in 2003/4
- break in 2005
- resumed in 2006

Beam parameters:

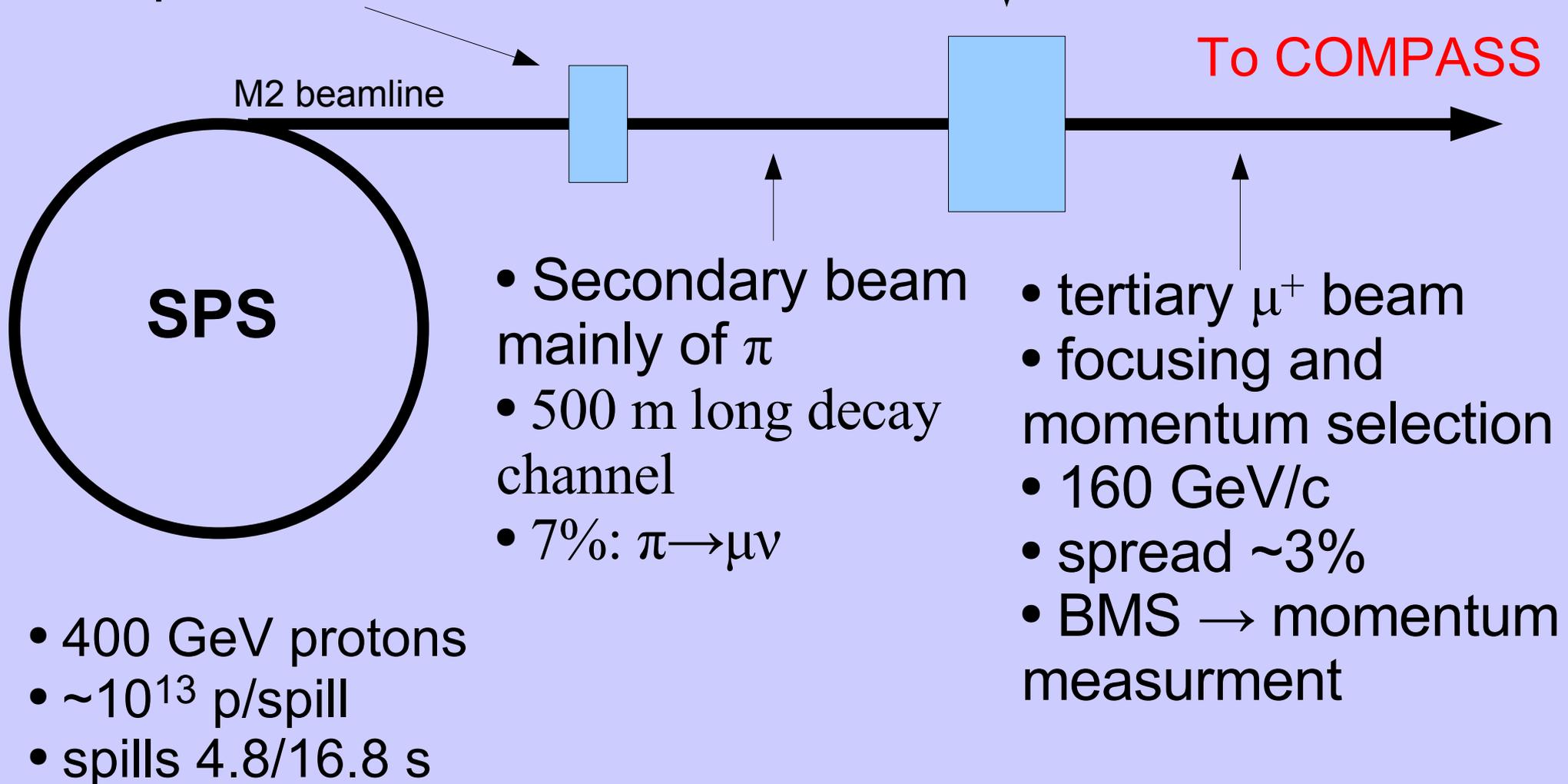
- momentum: 160 GeV
- luminosity:  $\sim 5 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- intensity:  $2 \cdot 10^8 \mu^+/\text{spill}$
- spills: 4.8/16.8 s
- longitudinally polarised
- polarisation:  $\sim 76\%$  ( $\sim 81\%$ )



# The production of the beam

- beryllium target
- ~500 mm long
- production of  $K$  and  $\pi$

- heavy absorber
- only  $\mu$  &  $\nu$  pass

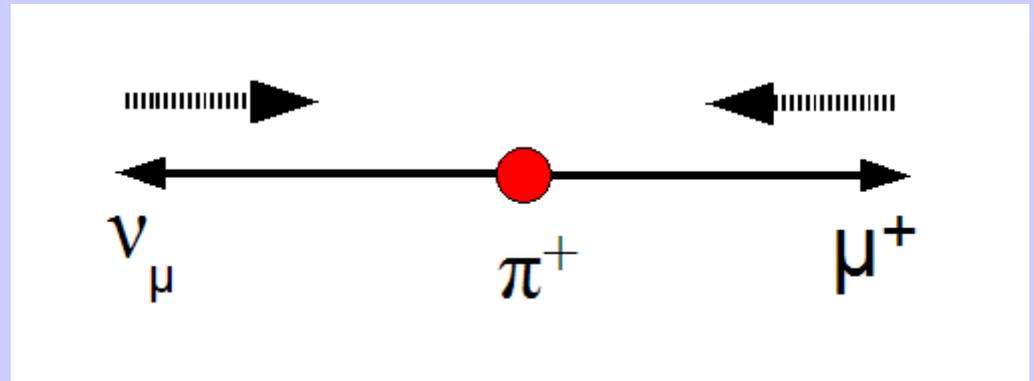
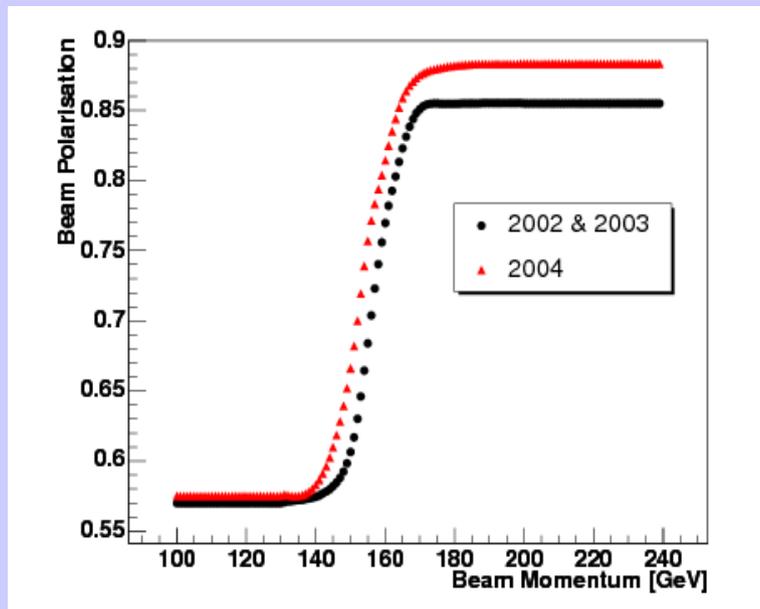


# The production of the beam

- $\pi \rightarrow \mu \nu$  is a parity violating decay
  - $\mu$  are 100% polarised in a decaying pion rest frame
- In the LAB frame:

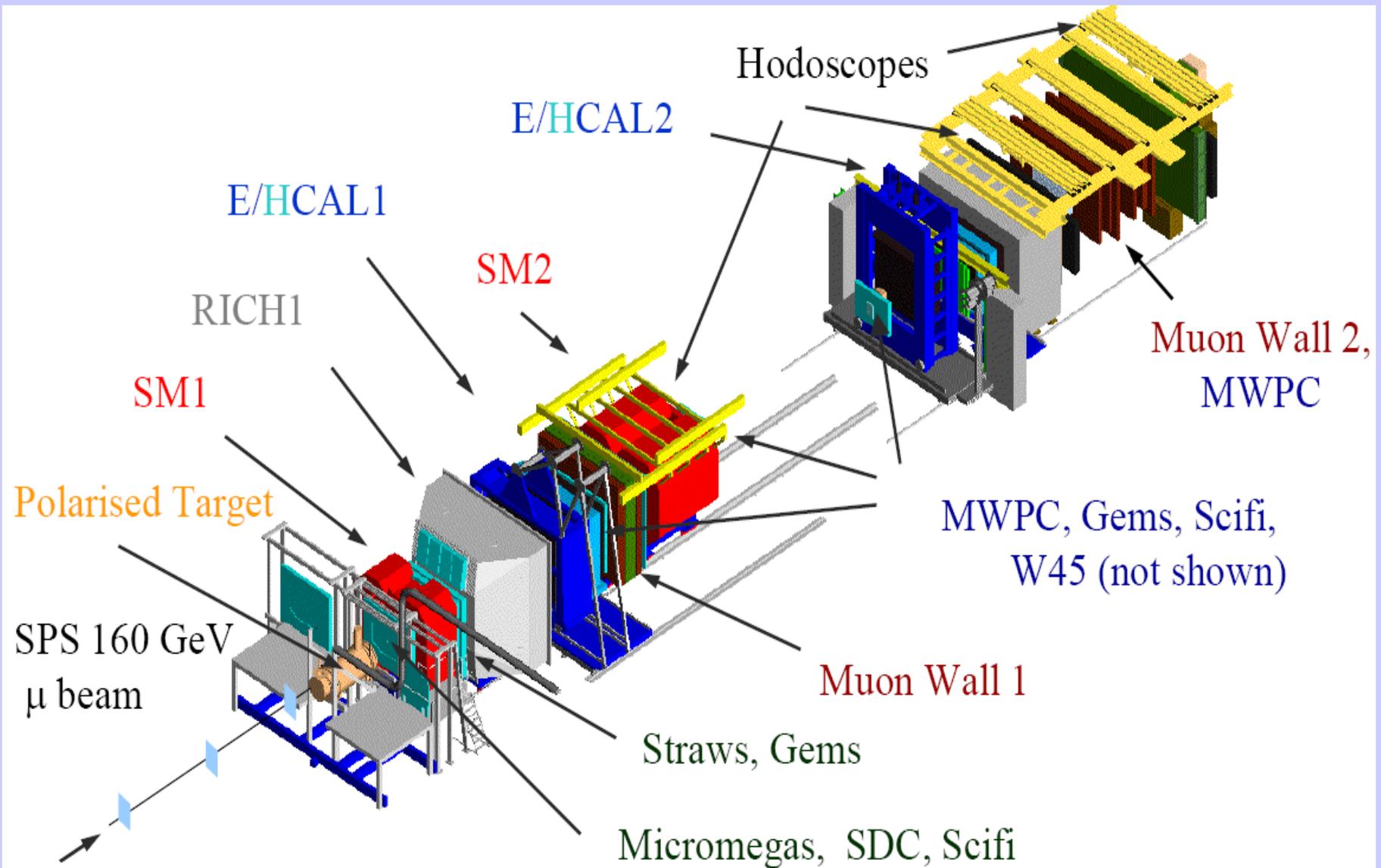
$$P_{\mu} = \frac{m_{\pi}^2 + \left(1 - 2 \frac{E_{\pi}}{E_{\mu}}\right) m_{\mu}^2}{m_{\pi}^2 - m_{\mu}^2}$$

The average polarisation is: -0.76 in 2002-3  
-0.81 in 2004



The polarisation: MC and SMC measurements

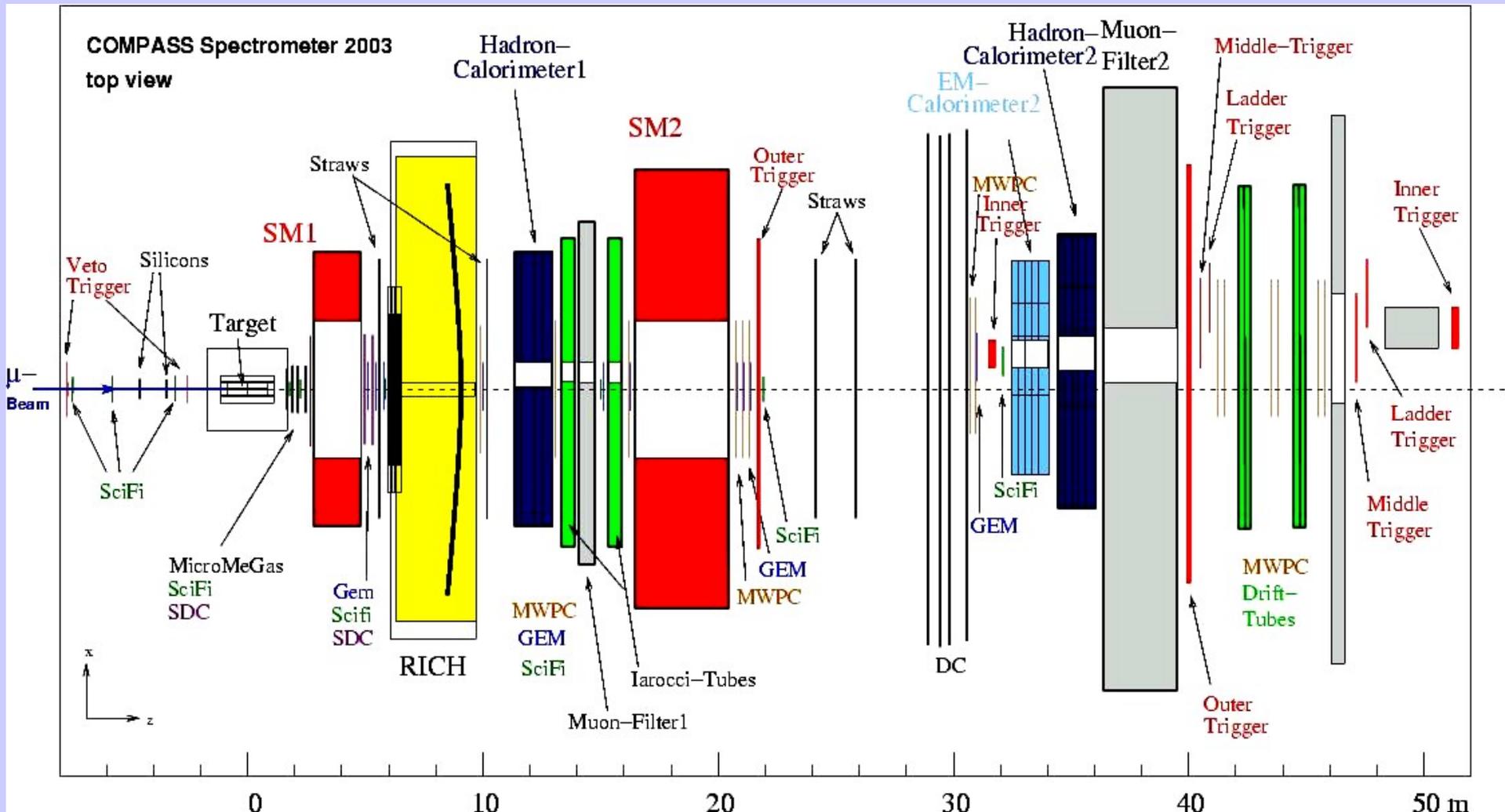
# The spectrometer layout



Two-stage forward-spectrometer:  
LAS – 1 Tm magnet ( $\pm 180$  mrad)  
SAS – 4.5 Tm magnet ( $\pm 30$  mrad)

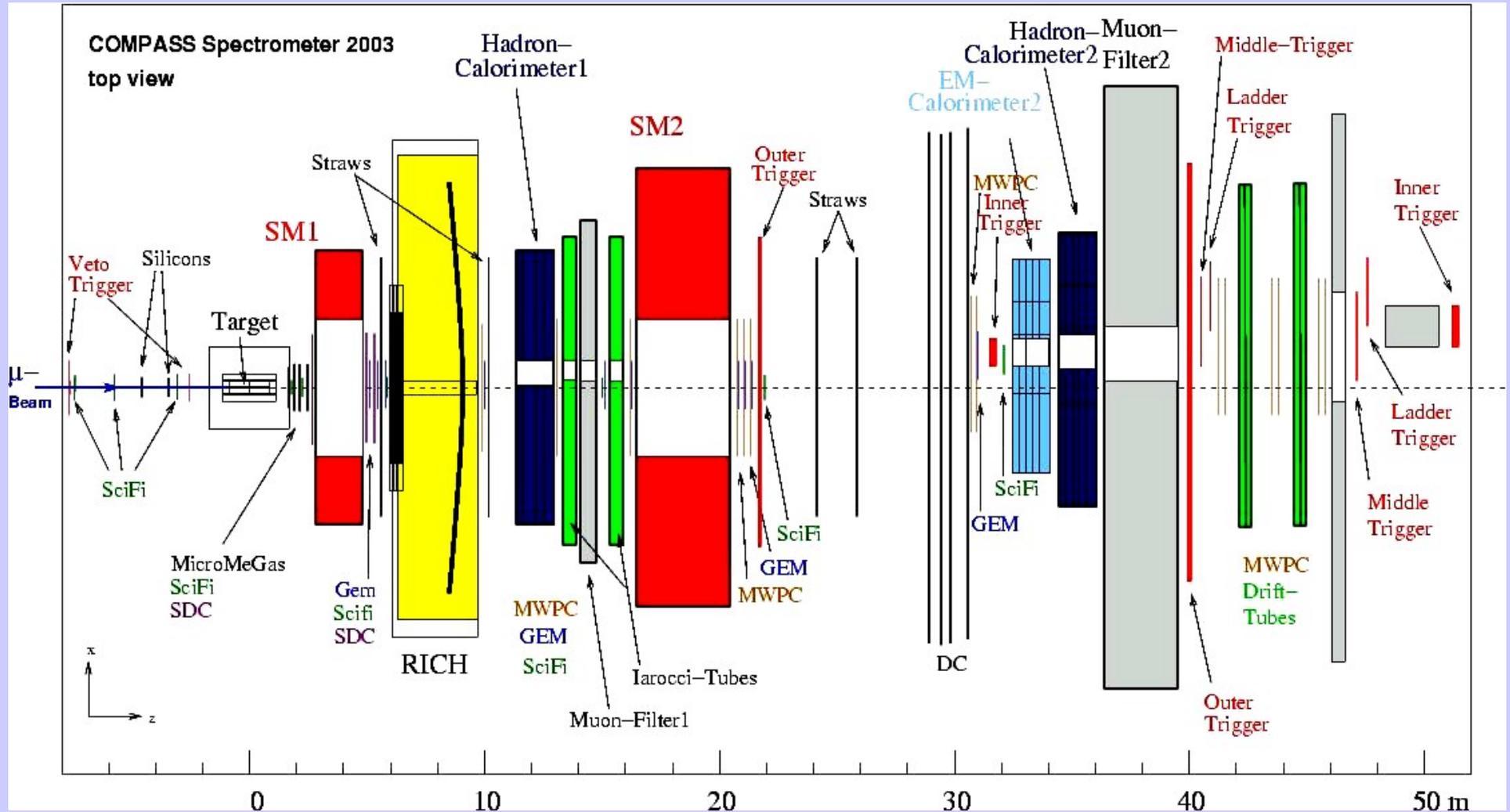
PID:  
RICH, ECAL, HCAL, muon filters

# The spectrometer layout



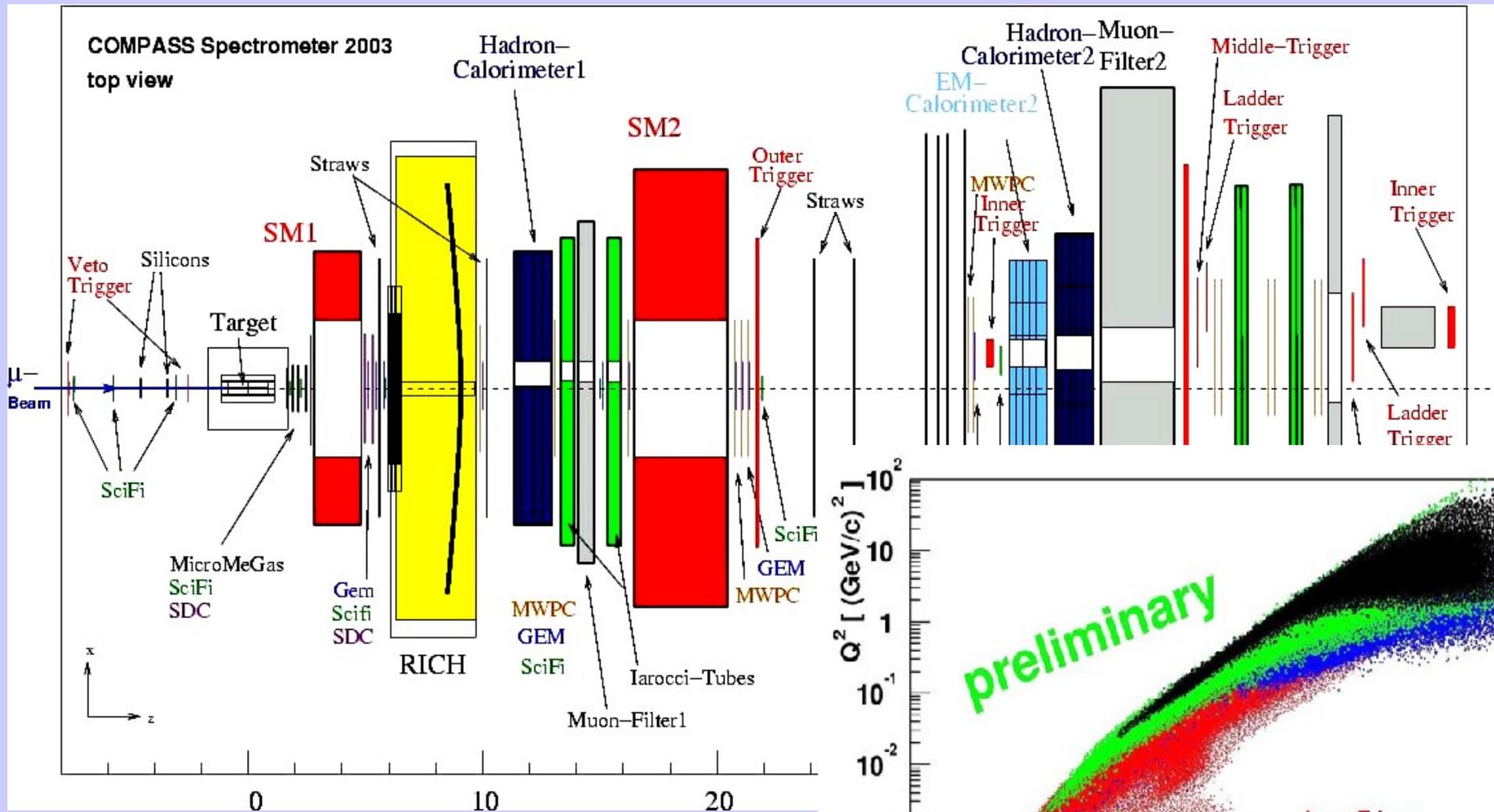
- ~350 detector planes
- Track reconstruction for momenta  $> 0.5$  GeV
- Very small angles: SciFi, Silicon Microstrips
- Small angles: Micromegas, GEM
- Large angles: Drift Chamber, Straw Tubes, MWPC

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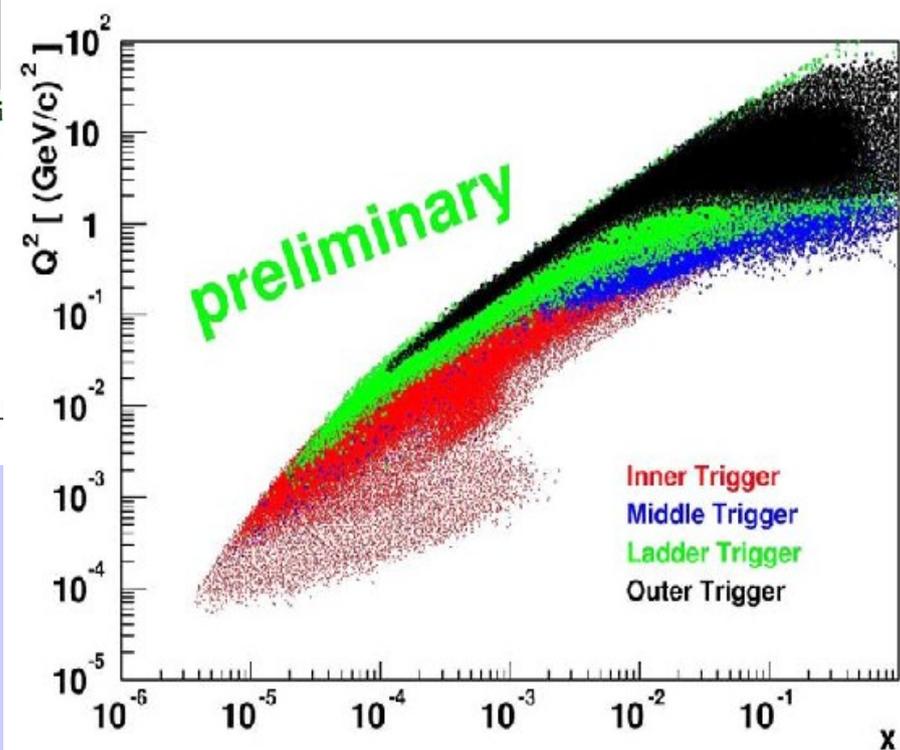


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- + hadronic calorimeters

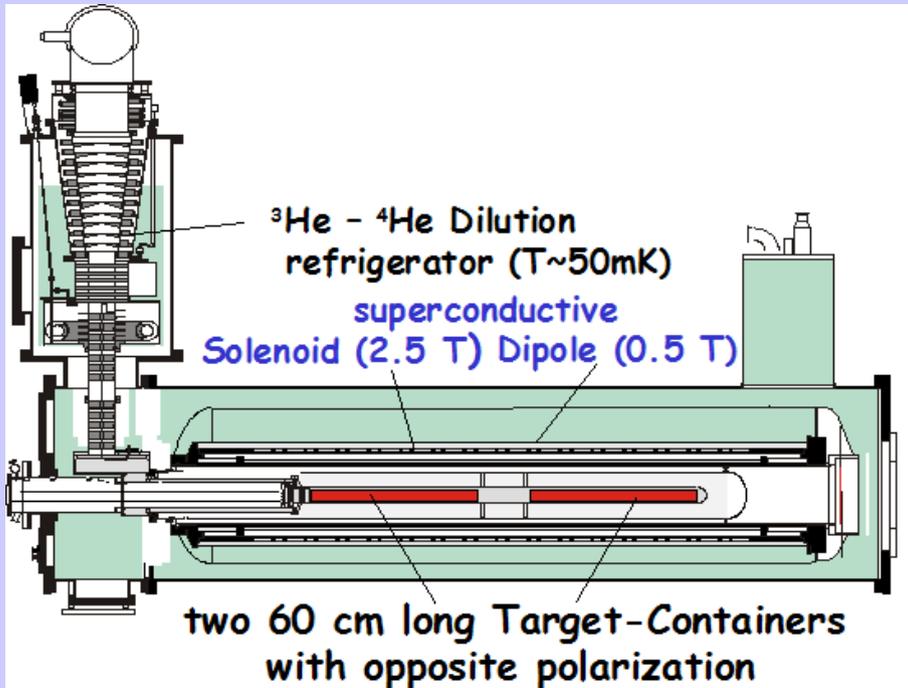
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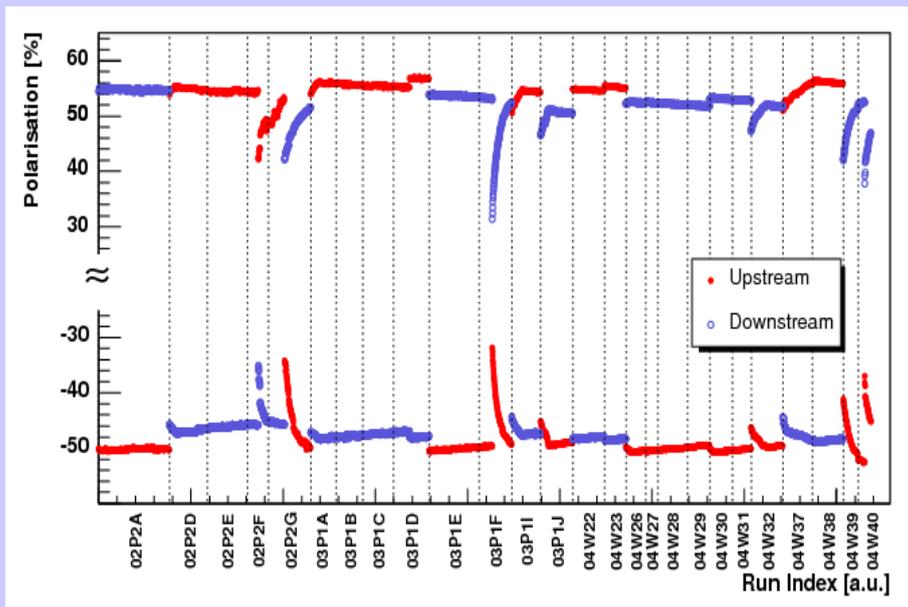


# The target



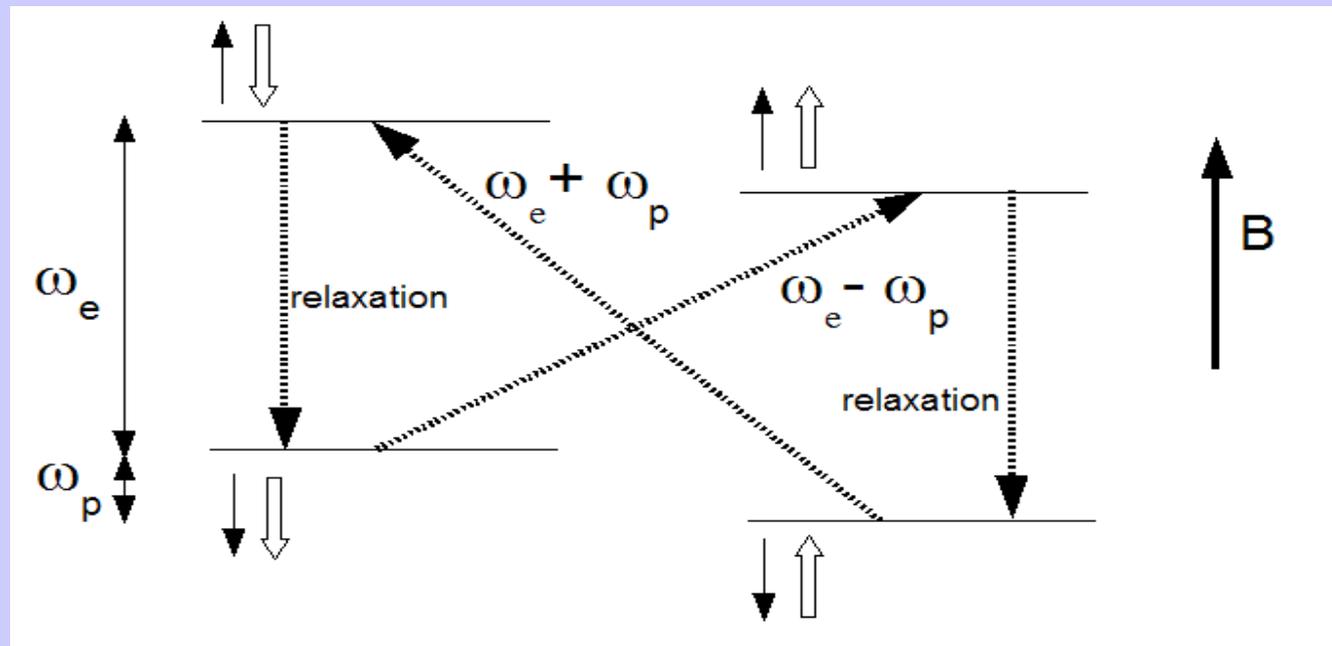
## Target:

- two cells – 60 cm long each
- high luminosity
- material:  $^6\text{LiD}$
- opposite polarisation:  $\sim 50\%$
- exposed to the same beam flux
- dilution factor: 0.4
- polarisation reversal every 8 hours
- cooling system: 50 mK
- acceptance:  $\pm 70$  mrad
- in 2006 acceptance:  $\pm 180$  mrad



# The Dynamic Nuclear Polarisation (DNP)

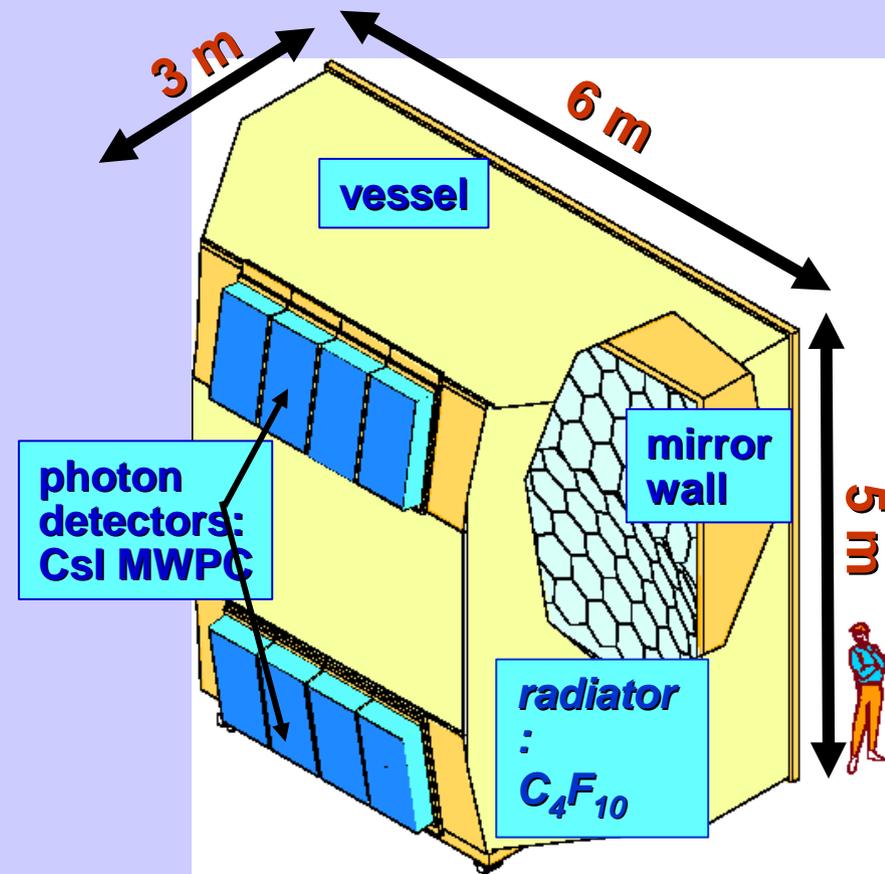
- The target material is kept at a low temperature (0.4 K) + strong magnetic field – very high electron polarisation is achieved.
- Microwave radiation of energy needed for the simultaneous flip of the proton and electron spins.
- This energy depends on the value of the total spin of the electron-proton system.
- After rotation electron relaxates to the lower energy state.
- While proton does not change the spin orientation.
- Separate microwave system for each of the cells.
- In the gap there is a microwave stopper.
- Polarisation is measured by NMR coils



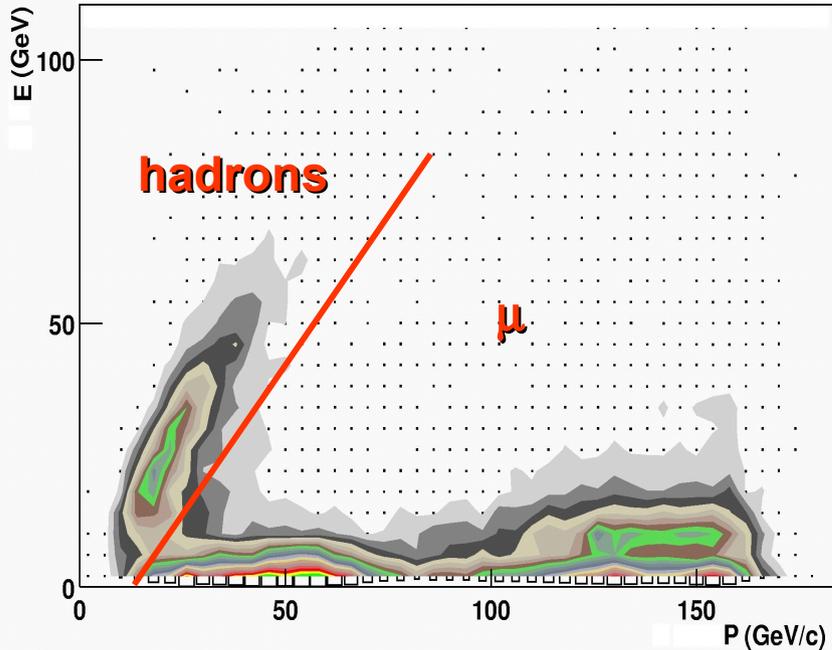
# Particles Identification

- $>80 \text{ m}^3$  filled with  $\text{C}_4\text{F}_{10}$
- 116 VUV mirrors
- active area:  $5.3 \text{ m}^2$  photodetectors  
82 944 pixels
- $>80\text{k}$  channels
- $\pi/\text{K}/\text{p}$  identification up to 50 GeV  
from 2.5/9/17 GeV

80% of K from  $\text{D}^0$

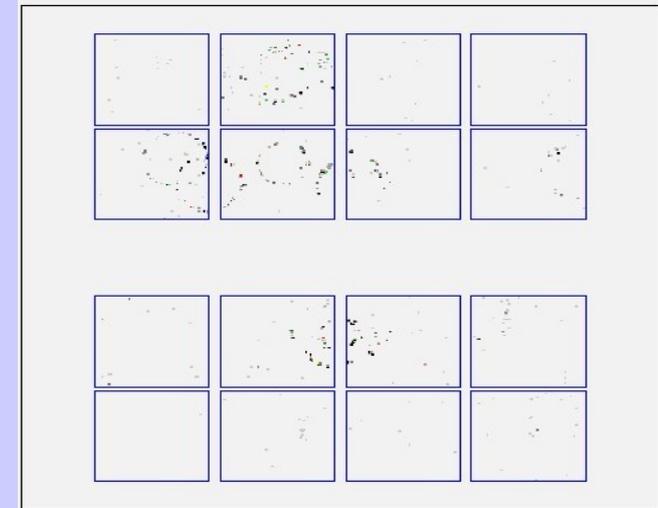


HCAL calorimeters

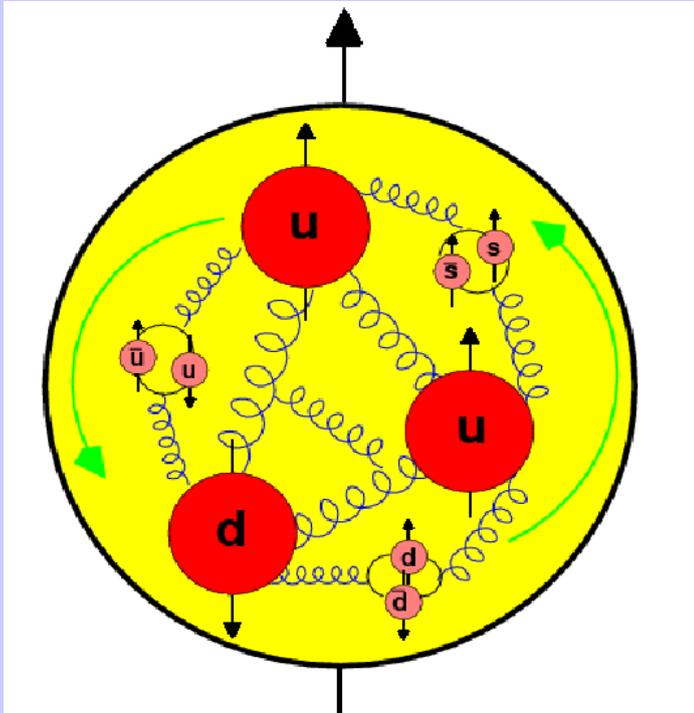


iron – scintillator sandwich

For muons identification additionally muon filters and calorimeters are used



# Motivation



Nucleon spin decomposition:

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + L_{q,g}$$

contribution from  
quarks and  
anti-quarks

contribution from  
gluons

orbital momenta of quarks  
and gluons

- Only a small fraction of nucleon spin is carried by quarks  $\sim 0.25$
- Where does the rest of the nucleon spin comes from?
- Gluons helped to solve the missing momentum problem.  
Will they also be a remedy for the missing spin?

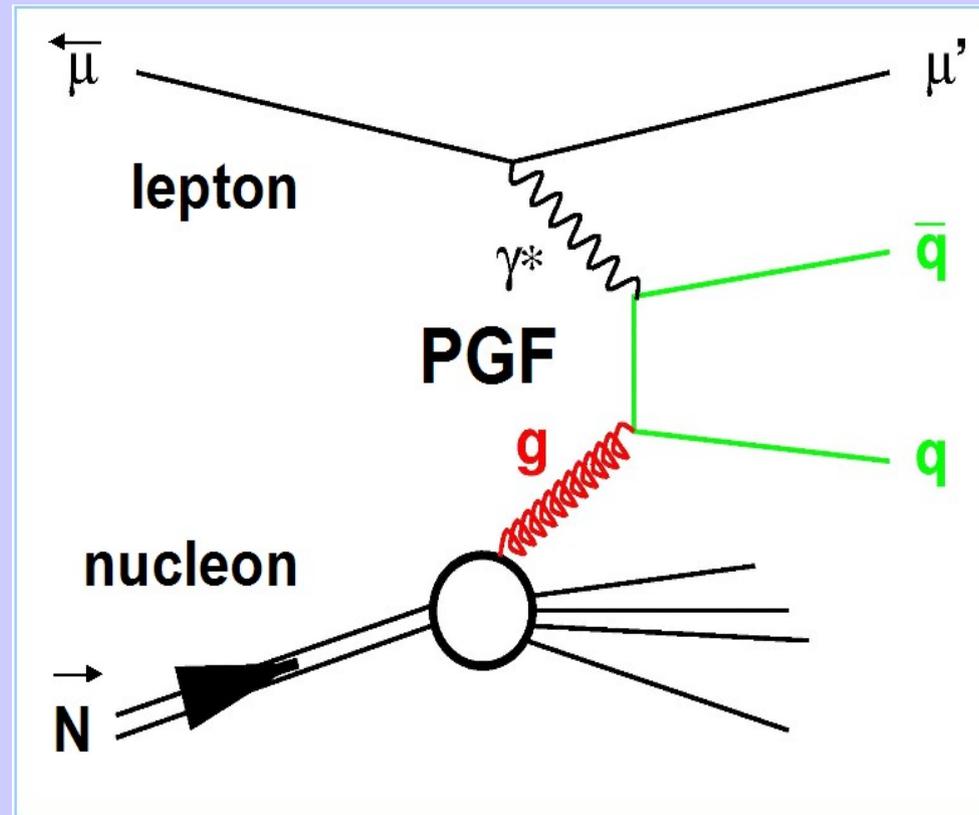
If  $\Delta G=0.4$  then  $\frac{1}{2} \approx \frac{1}{2} 0.25 + 0.4$

**SPIN CRISIS**

# How to measure $\Delta G$ ?

In DIS – through the interaction that probes directly gluons inside a nucleon.

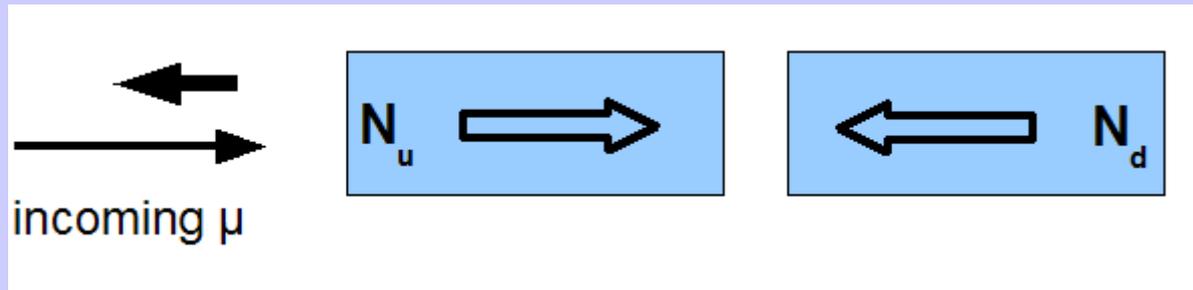
Photon Gluon Fusion (PGF):  $\gamma^*g \rightarrow \bar{q}q$



# What is measured in the experiment

Asymmetry of the cross sections for PGF process:  $A = \frac{\sigma^{\uparrow\downarrow} - \sigma^{\uparrow\uparrow}}{\sigma^{\uparrow\downarrow} + \sigma^{\uparrow\uparrow}}$

In the experiment we have:

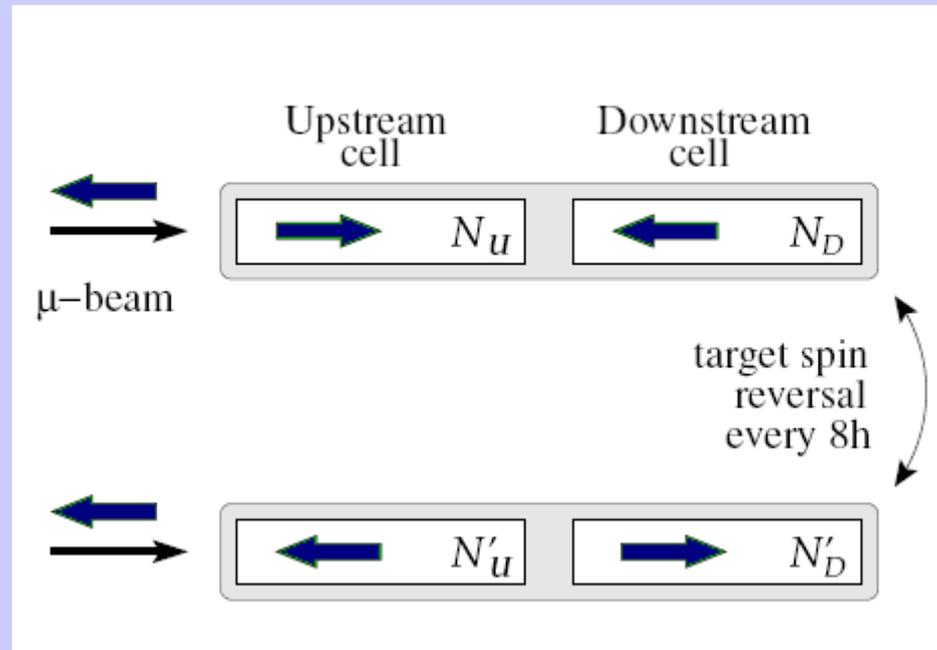


Asymmetry for the interactions measured in the experiment:

$$A_{\text{exp}} = \frac{N_u - N_d}{N_u + N_d}$$

- Both spin combinations are measured simultaneously.
- Measurement independent on the beam flux
- But the detectors acceptance is different for both target cells.

# What is measured in the experiment



Taking into account also asymmetry after pol. rotation:

$$A_{\text{exp}} = 1/2 \left( \frac{N_u - N_d}{N_u + N_d} + \frac{N_d' - N_u'}{N_d' + N_u'} \right)$$

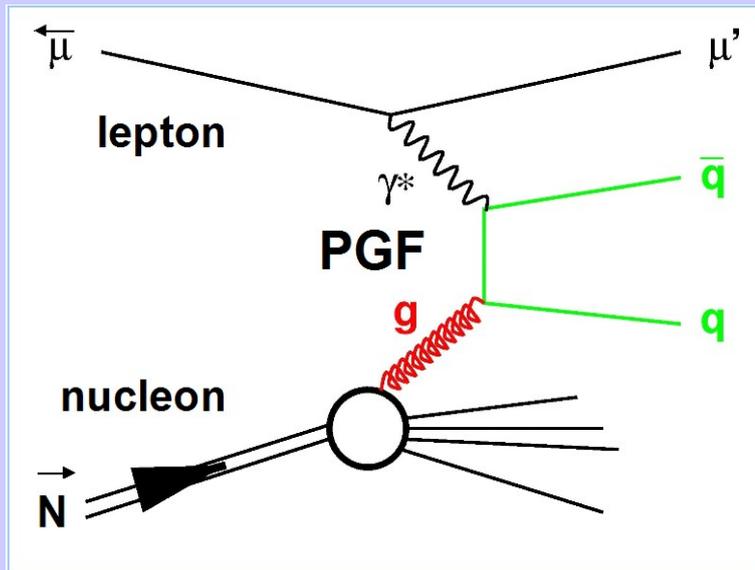
The physical and experimental asymmetries:

$$A_{\text{exp}} = P_T P_B f A$$

$P_T$ – target polarization (~50%),	$\pm 5\%$
$P_B$ – beam polarization (~76%, 81%),	$\pm 5\%$
$f$ – dilution factor (~40%)	$\pm 5\%$

# Methods of the PGF measurement

## Photon Gluon Fusion:



## I method – open charm production (“golden channel”)

- $c\bar{c}$  production
- 1.2  $D^0$  per  $c\bar{c}$ -event
- $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$  (BR  $\sim 4\%$ )
- hard scale set by  $4m_c^2$
- no background asymmetry
- less MC dependent
- limited statistics

## II method – 2 high $p_T$ hadrons ( $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

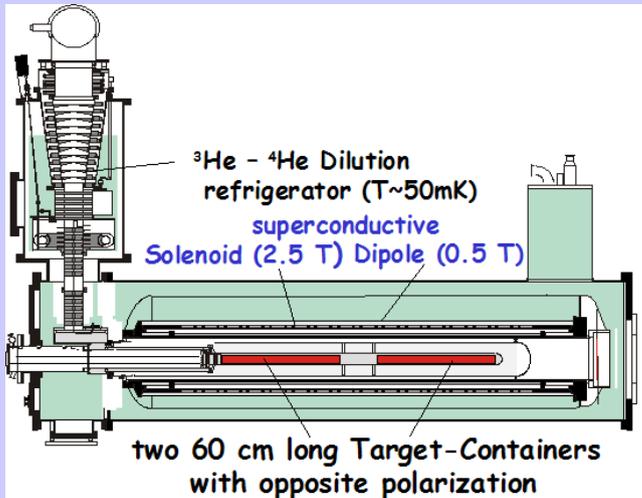
- hard scale set by  $Q^2$
- larger statistics
- resolved photon negligible
- large contamination of other processes
- strong dependence on MC

## III method – 2 high $p_T$ hadron ( $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

- hard scale set by  $p_T$
- very large statistics
- resolved photon not negligible
- large contamination of other processes
- very strong dependence on MC (model dependence)

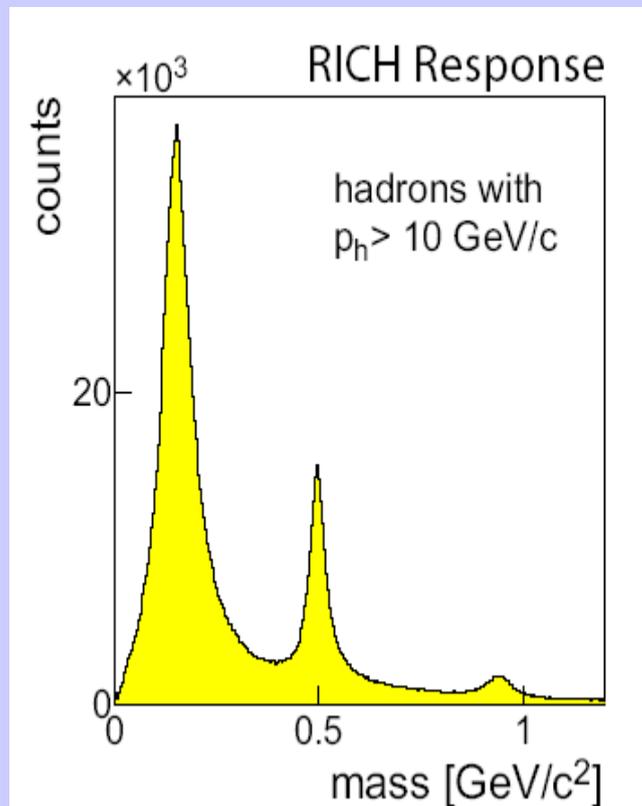
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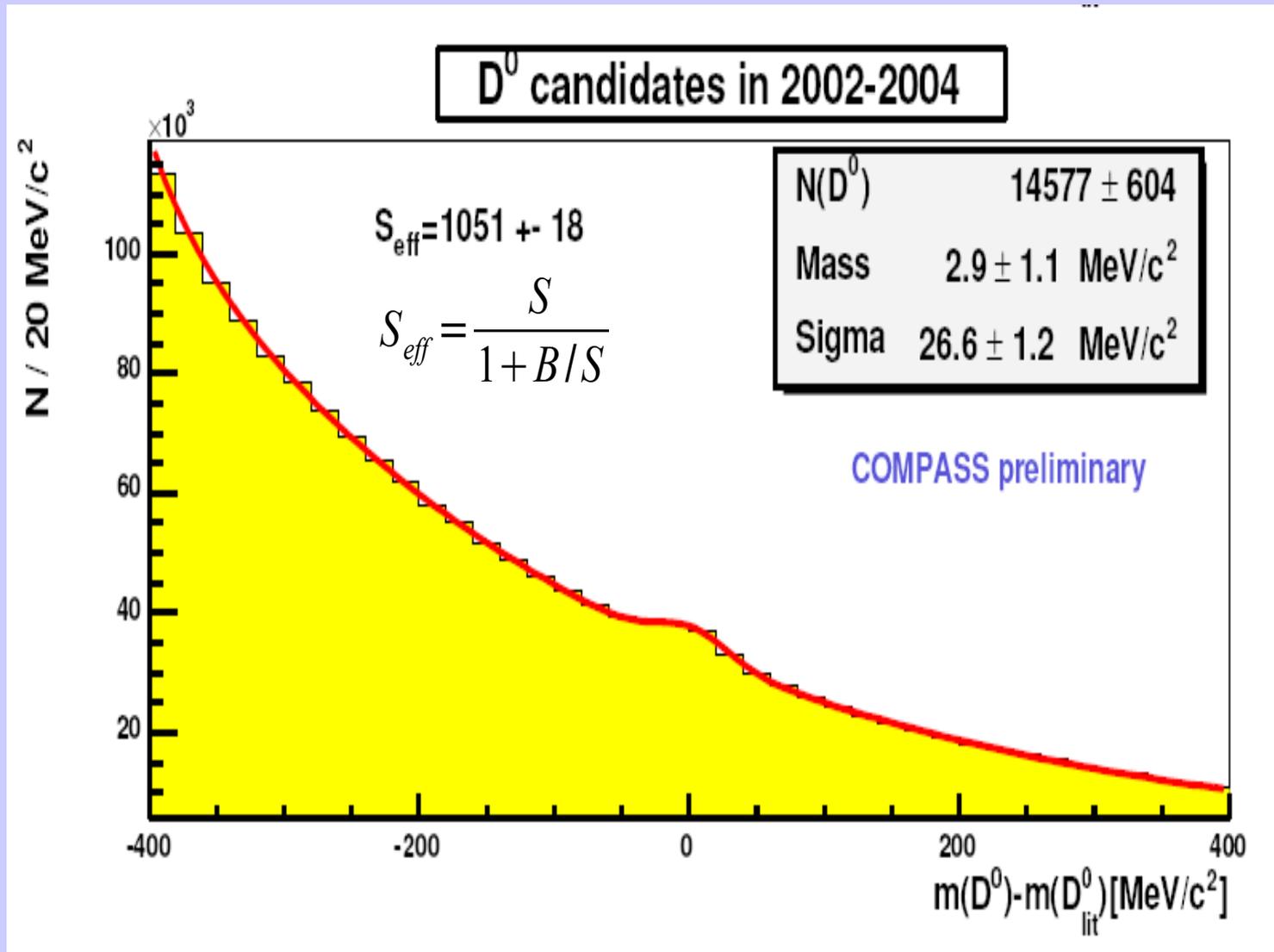


$$D^0 \rightarrow K\pi \quad (\text{BR} \sim 4\%)$$

- Each of the cells 60 cm long
- Enclosed in the solenoid and cooling system
- No vertex detector
- Very high combinatorial background
- RICH identification of kaons essential
- Kaons identification for momenta  $> 9 \text{ GeV}$
- Two methods of PID:
  - $\chi^2$
  - *Likelihood*
- $\pi$  is not identified as K
- Cuts on kinematics:
  - $z(D^0) > 0.25$  where  $z(D^0) = E_{D^0} / \nu$
  - $|\cos\theta_K^*| < 0.5$



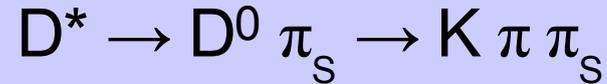
# Open charm method



Still high combinatorial background...

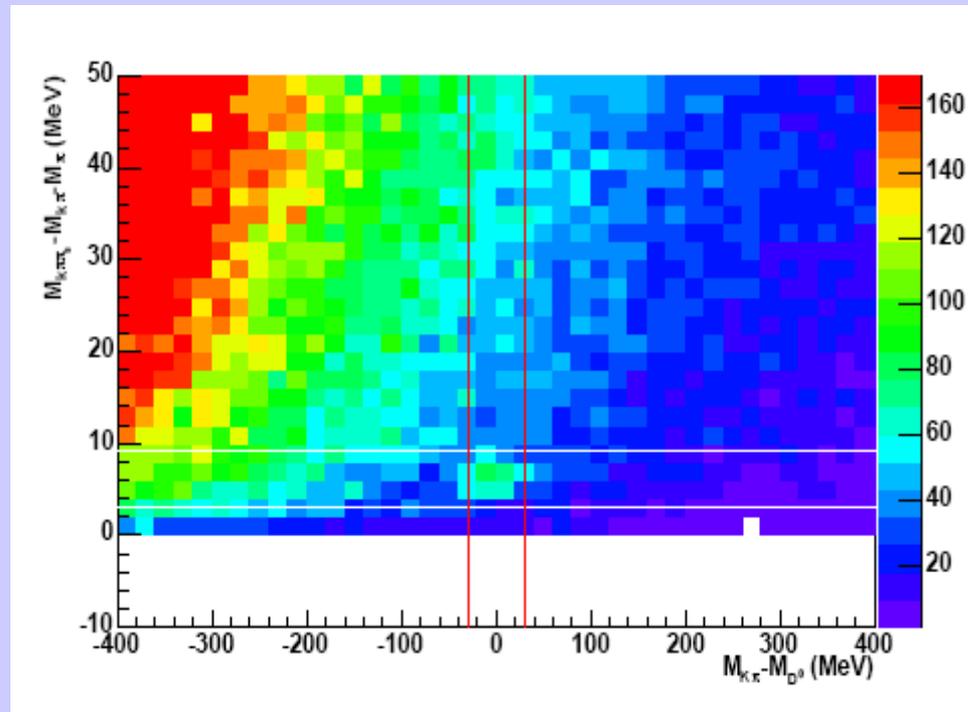
# Open charm method

- ~30%  $D^0$  comes from  $D^*$  decays:



- Cut on a mass difference:

$$3.1 \text{ MeV} < M_{K\pi\pi} - M_{K\pi} - M_\pi < 9.1 \text{ MeV}$$



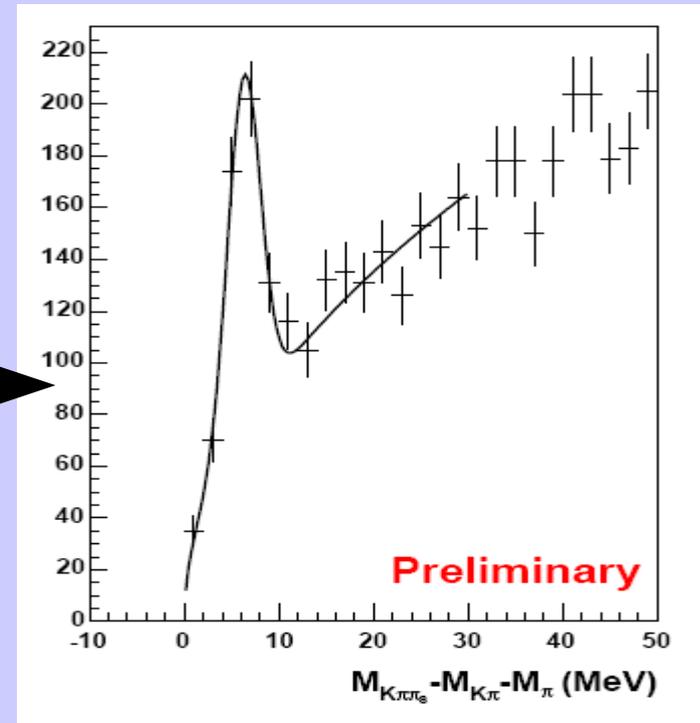
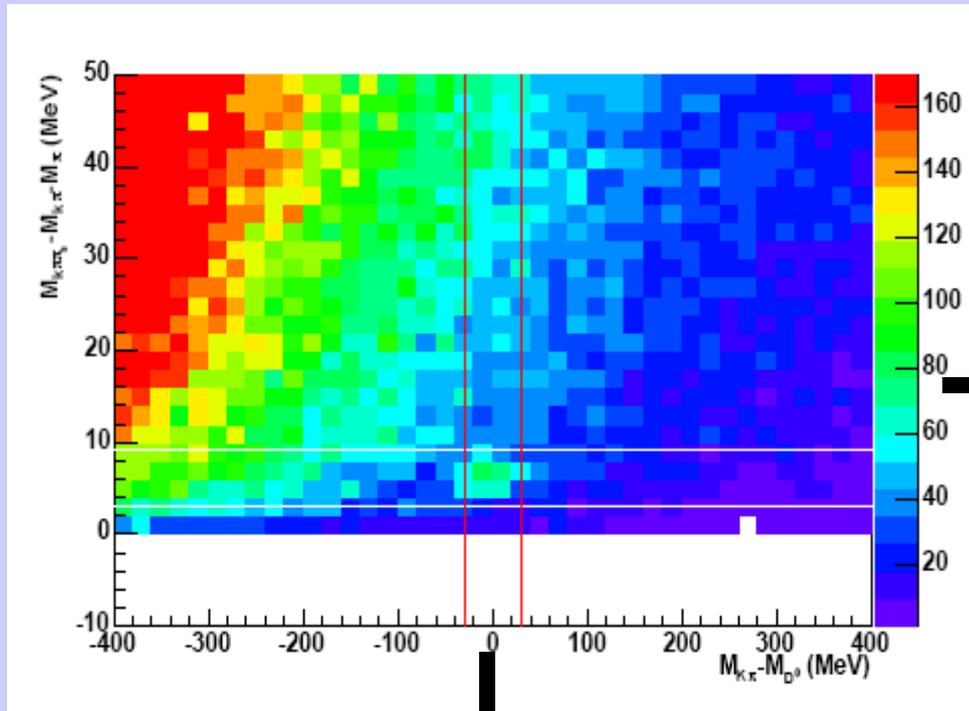
- Cuts on kinematics:

- $z(D^0) > 0.20$

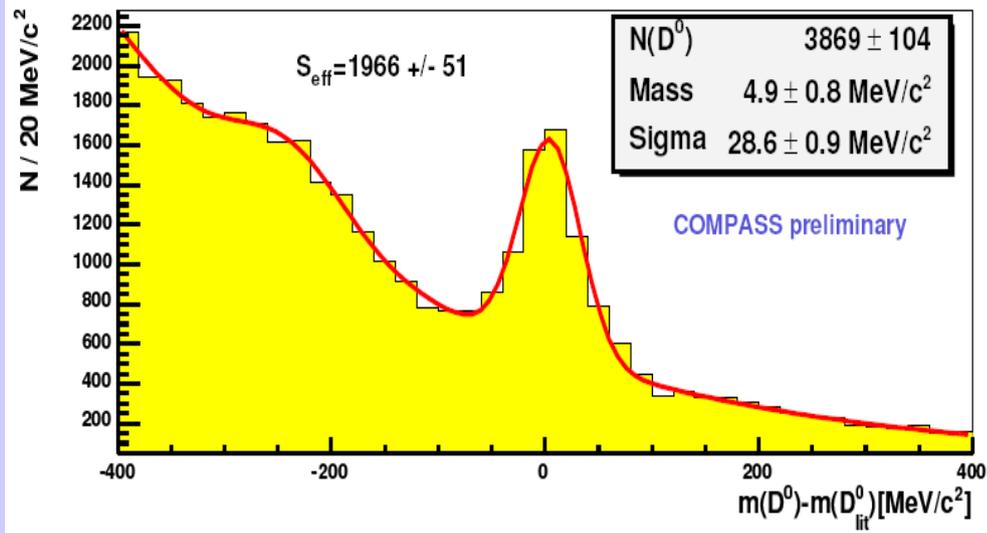
- $|\cos\theta_K^*| < 0.85$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \bullet z(D^0) > 0.25 \\ \bullet |\cos\theta_K^*| < 0.5 \end{array} \right)$$

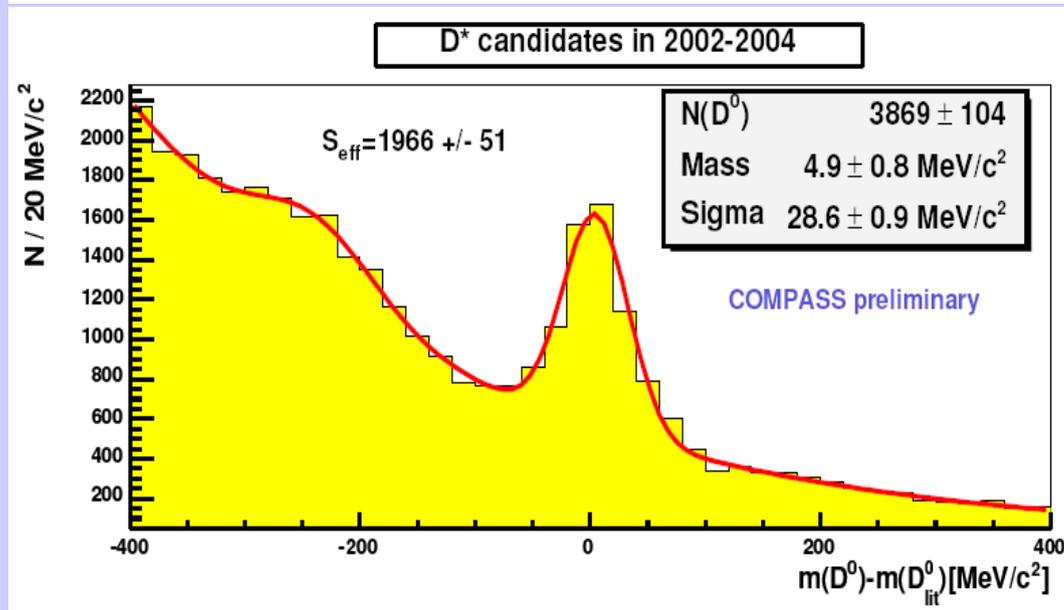
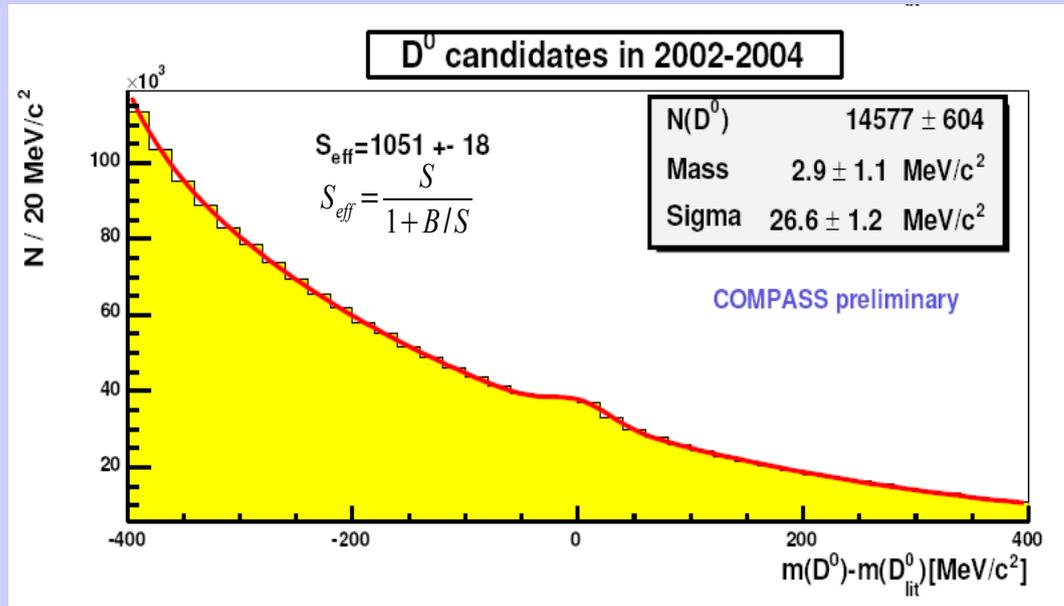
# Open charm method



$D^*$  candidates in 2002-2004



# Open charm method



# Open charm method

From asymmetry to  $\Delta G/G$ :

$$A = \frac{S}{S+B} \langle a_{LL} \rangle \frac{\Delta G}{G}$$

Where  $a_{LL}$  – PGF analyzing power  
(depolarization factor included)  
partonic asymmetry for the  $\gamma^*g$  reaction

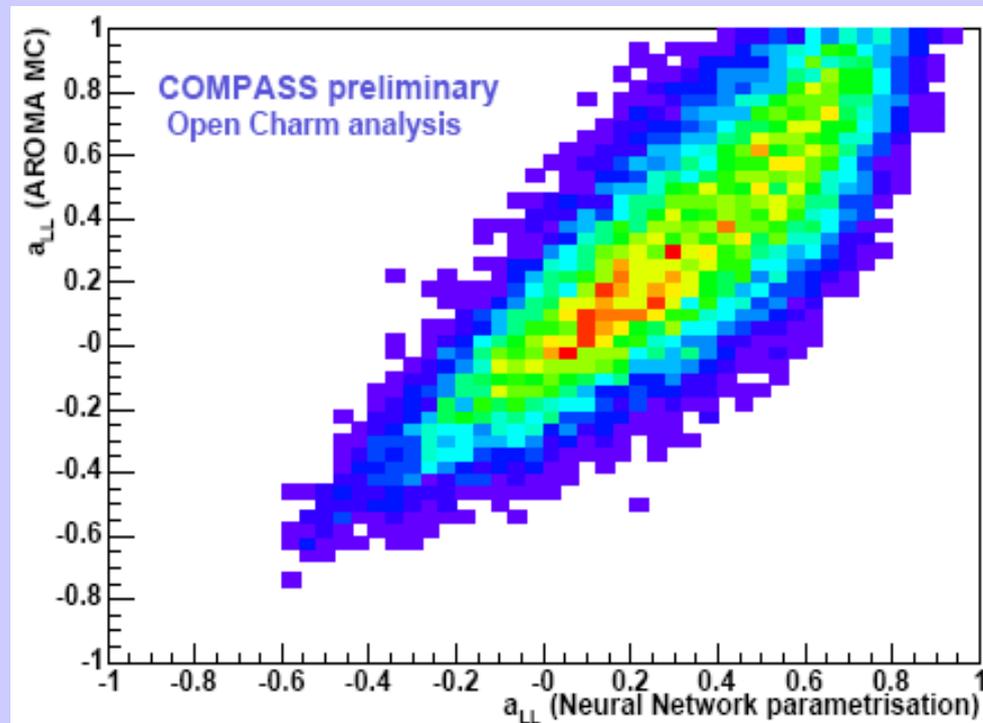
Therefore

$$\frac{\Delta G}{G} = \frac{1}{P_T P_B \langle a_{LL} \rangle f S/(S+B)} \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{N_u - N_d}{N_u + N_d} + \frac{N_d' - N_u'}{N_d' + N_u'} \right)$$

Instead of using average  $P_B$ ,  $f$ ,  $S/(S+B)$  and  $a_{LL}$  a weighted method is introduced – statistical error minimalisation

# Open charm method

- $a_{LL}$  for each event cannot be calculated directly – only one charmed meson measured per event
- The parametrisation based on the Aroma Monte Carlo is used
- Parametrisation was prepared with Neural Networks
- $z_{D^0}$ ,  $p_{T D^0}$ ,  $(x_{bj}, y, Q^2)$



Correlation factor 82%

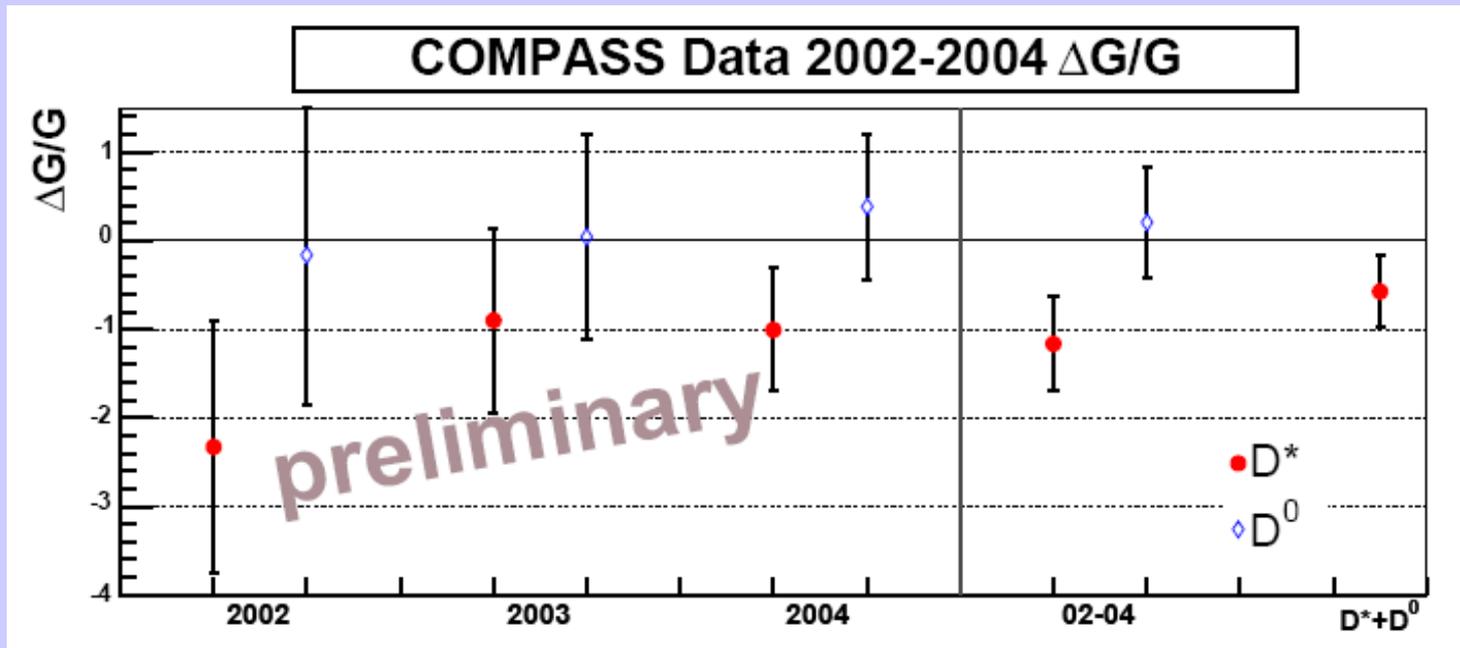
# The preliminary results from open charm channel 2002/3/4

$$\Delta G/G = -0.57 \pm 0.41 \text{ (stat.)}$$

$$x_g \approx 0.15 \text{ (RMS 0.08)}$$

$$\text{scale} \approx 13 \text{ GeV}^2 \text{ (} \approx 4m_c^2 \text{)}$$

The studies on the systematical uncertainty ongoing



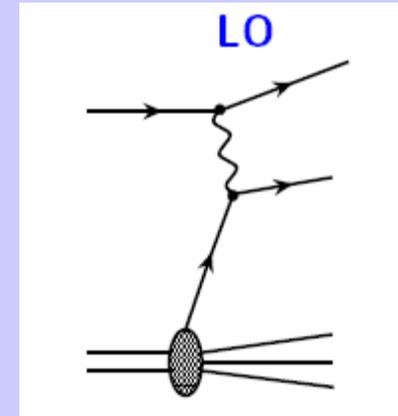
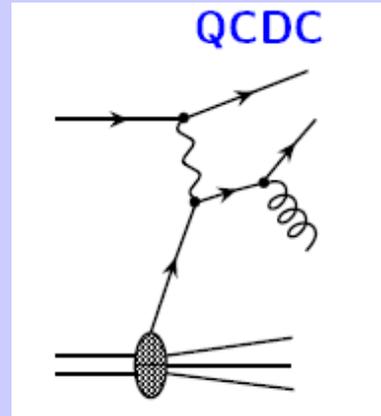
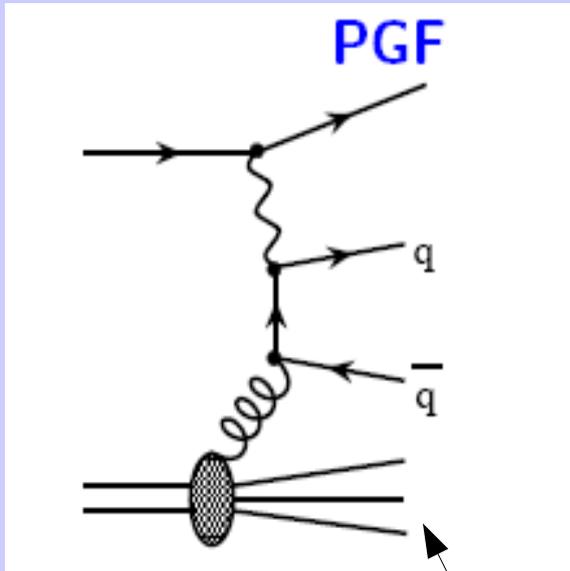
Plans for the future: improve RICH PID, cross section

# The high $p_T$ method ( $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

# 2 hadrons with high $p_T$ ( $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

Signal

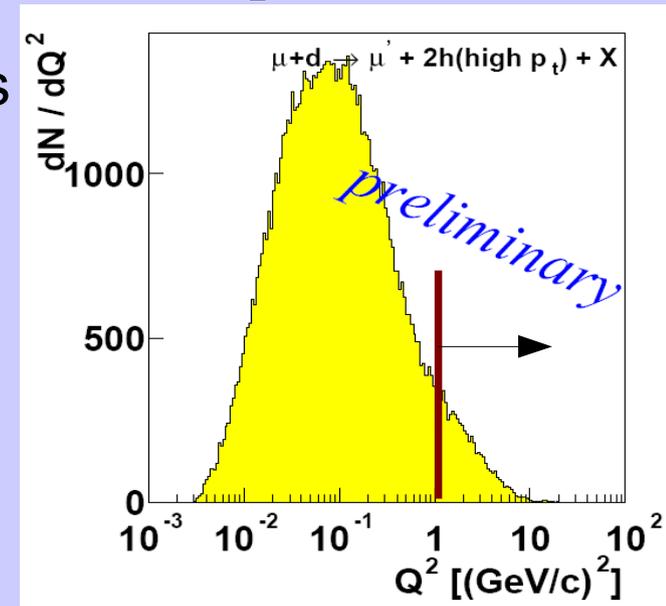
Background



$$\frac{A}{D} = R_{pgf} a_{LL}^{PGF} \frac{\Delta G}{G} + (R_{QCDC} a_{LL}^{QCDC} + R_{LO} a_{LL}^{LO}) \frac{\Delta q}{q}$$

where  $R_{PGF}$ ,  $R_{QCDC}$ ,  $R_{LO}$  are the fractions of processes

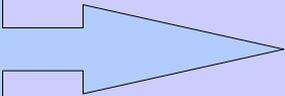
- $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$  sample – 10% of the whole statistics
- MC needed for  $R_{PGF}$  fraction and  $a_{LL}^{PGF}$
- LEPTO 6.5.1 generator is used + GEANT



# 2 hadrons with high $p_T$ ( $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

- Cuts used:

- hadrons detected in the hadronic calorimeters
- & discarded if detected behind the hadron absorbers
- current fragmentation region ( $x_F > 0.1$  &  $z > 0.1$ )
- $0.1 < y < 0.9$  (assure that there is no big influence of radiative corrections),
- $x < 0.05 \rightarrow A_1^d$  - small, LO and QCDC negligible
- $p_{T1}, p_{T2} > 0.7 \text{ GeV}$
- $p_{T1}^2 + p_{T2}^2 > 2.5 \text{ GeV}^2$
- invariant mass  $m_{h_1 h_2} > 1.5 \text{ GeV}$  (avoid the resonance region)



as in SMC

The preliminary results from 2 hadrons with high  
 $p_T$  ( $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ ) channel 2002/3

$$\Delta G/G = 0.06 \pm 0.31 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.06 \text{ (syst.)}$$

$$R_{\text{PGF}} = 0.34 \pm 0.07$$

$$x_g = 0.13 \text{ (RMS 0.08)}$$

## 2 hadrons with high $p_T$ ( $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ ) - prospects

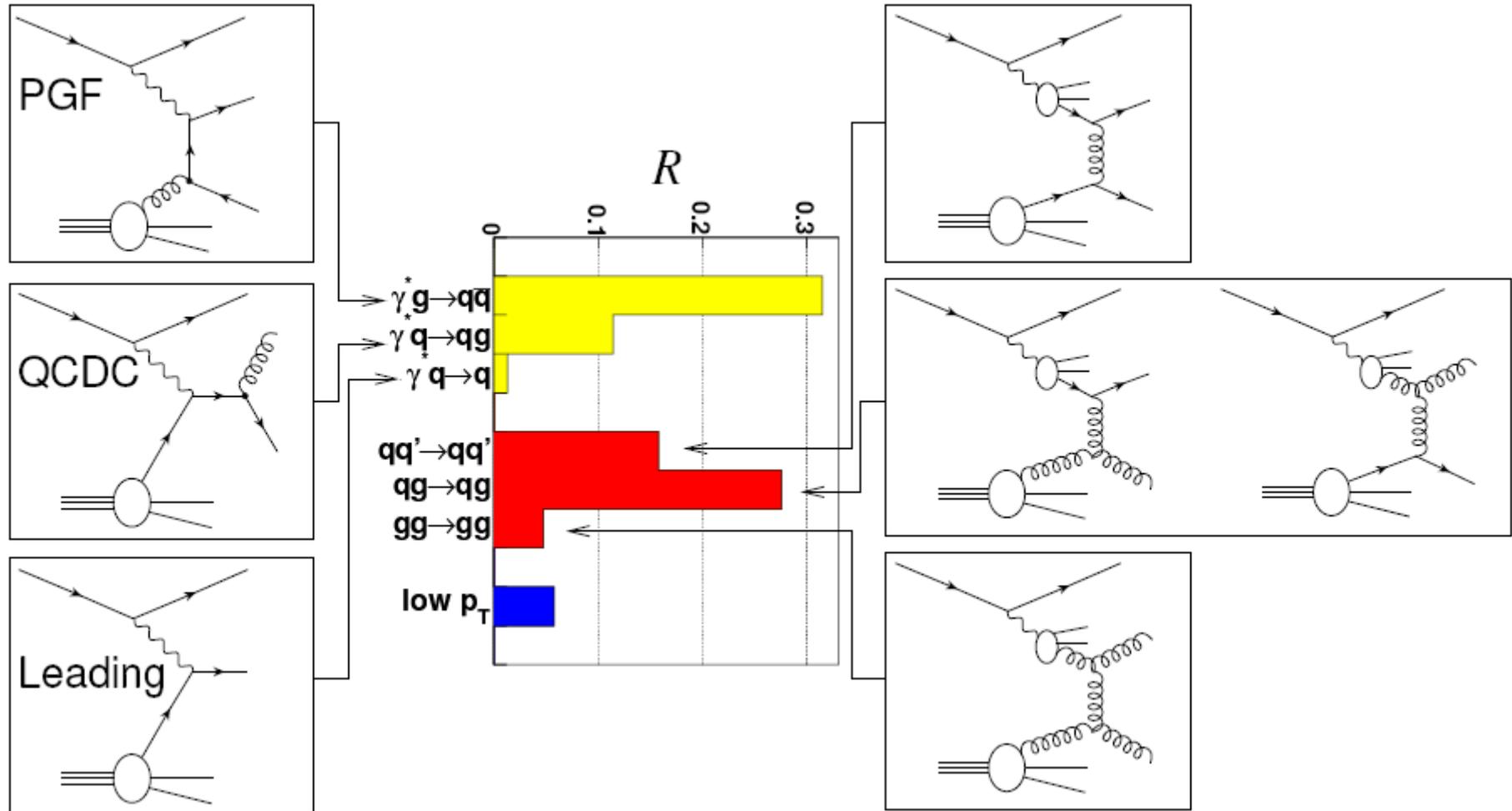
- Scale is set by  $Q^2$  – the cut on  $\Sigma p_{Ti}^2 > 2.5 \text{ GeV}^2$  can be tuned
- Optimal cuts can be found with Neural Networks
  - Higher statistics and lower  $R_{PGF}$
  - Lower statistics and higher  $R_{PGF}$
- 2004 data under studies
- The analysis is ongoing – results will be presented soon

# The high $p_T$ method ( $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

# 2 hadrons with high $p_T$ ( $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

Direct processes:

Resolved-photon processes:



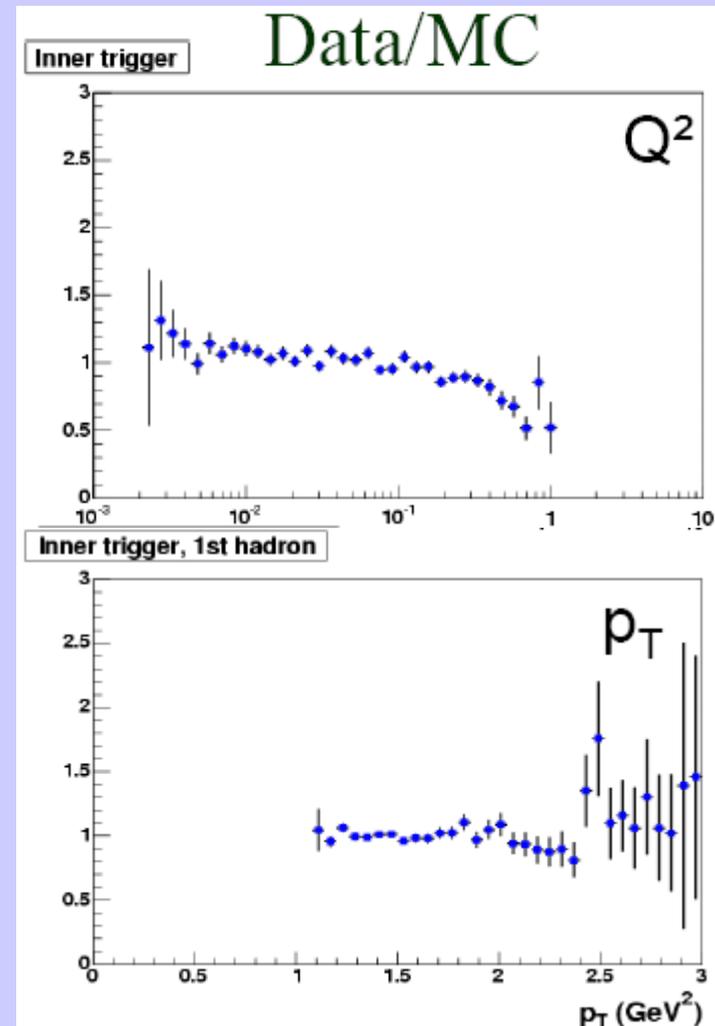
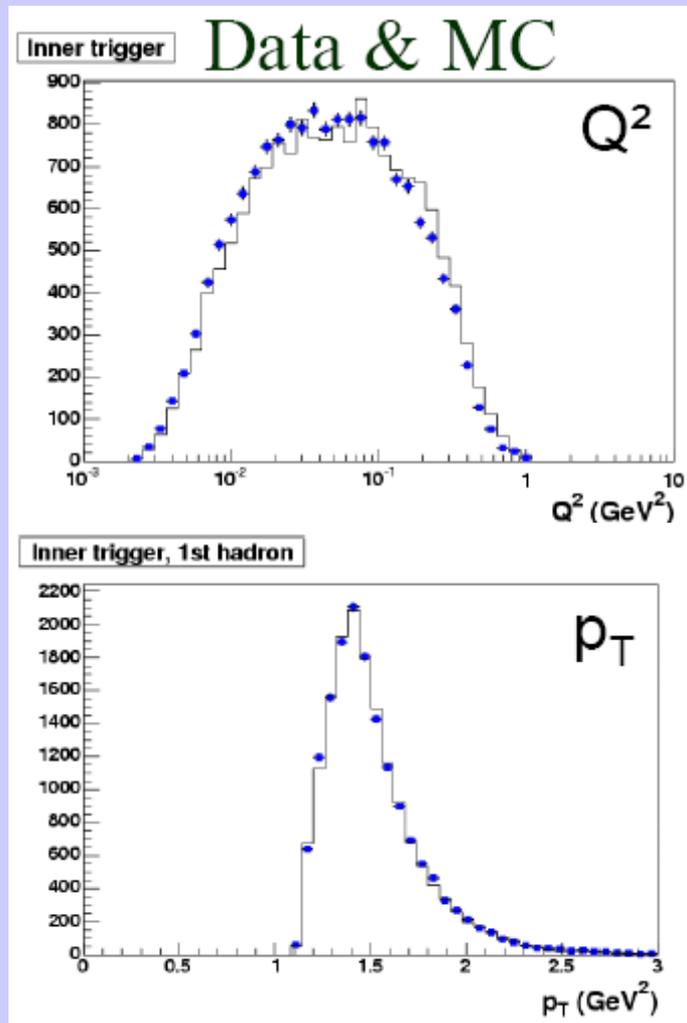
90% of statistics with ( $Q^2 < 1$ ) - ~500 k events from 2002-4

$qq \rightarrow qq + qq \rightarrow gg + gg \rightarrow qq \approx 0.6\%$   
negligible

# 2 hadrons with high $p_T$ ( $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

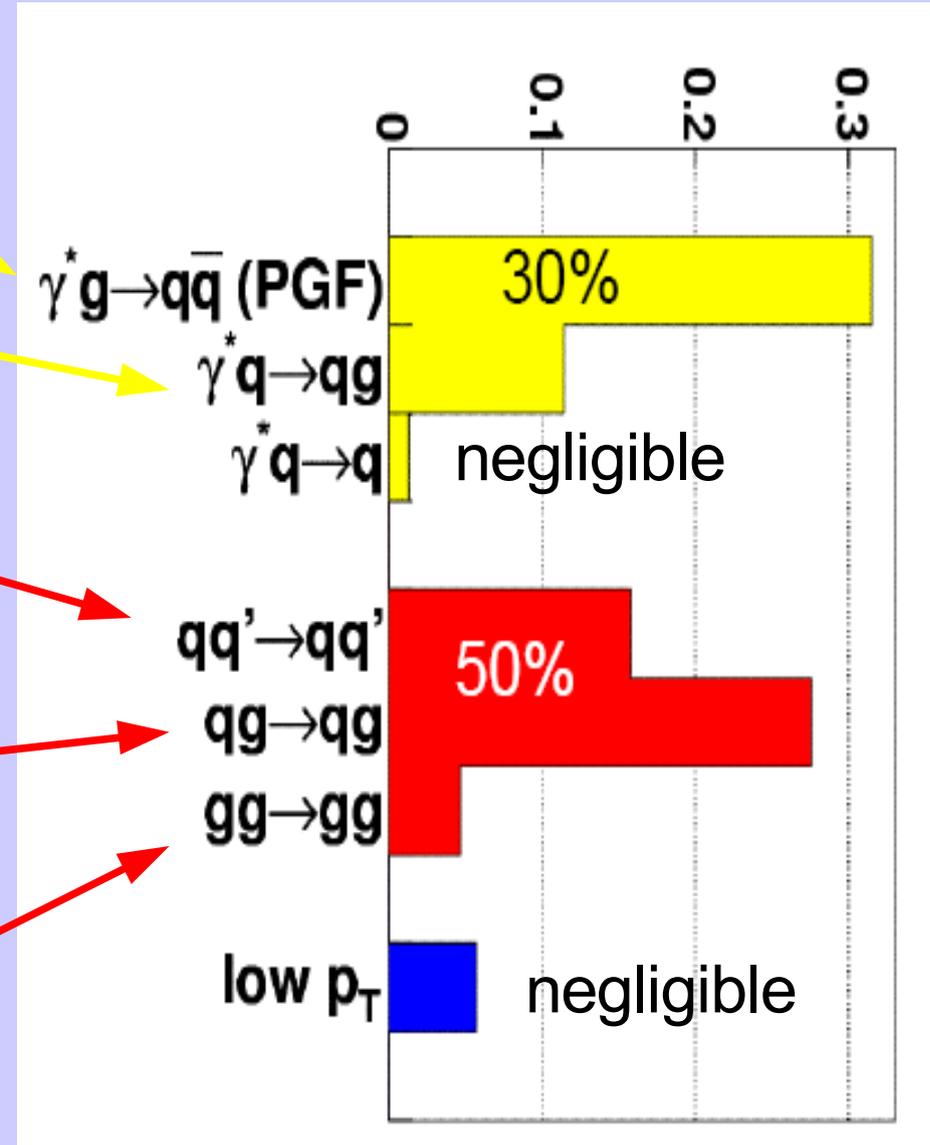
The fractions of each process obtained from PYTHIA 6.2 Monte Carlo.  
+ GEANT for the detector description

The agreement between Real Data (blue points) and Monte Carlo:



## 2 hadrons with high $p_T$ ( $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{A}{D} = & R_{PGF} a_{LL}^{PGF} \frac{\Delta G}{G} \\ & + R_{QCDC} a_{LL}^{QCDC} \frac{\Delta q}{q} \\ & + R_{qq} a_{LL}^{qq} \frac{\Delta q}{q} \left( \frac{\Delta q}{q} \right)^\gamma \\ & + R_{qq} a_{LL}^{qg} \frac{\Delta q}{q} \left( \frac{\Delta G}{G} \right)^\gamma \\ & + R_{gg} a_{LL}^{gg} \frac{\Delta G}{G} \left( \frac{\Delta G}{G} \right)^\gamma \end{aligned}$$



This process also probes gluon polarization

## 2 hadrons with high $p_T$ ( $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

For  $\Delta q/q$  GRV98 & GRSV2000 used

The problem:

Photon polarized PDFs are a sum of a perturbative part and a non-perturbative.

- Perturbative part  $\Delta q_{\text{pert}}^\gamma$  can be calculated
- Non-perturbative part  $\Delta q_{\text{nonpert}}^\gamma$  has to be measured
- But it is not measured yet!
- An estimation:

$$-q_{\text{nonpert}}^\gamma < \Delta q_{\text{nonpert}}^\gamma < q_{\text{nonpert}}^\gamma$$

- The uncertainty is included in a systematical error

## 2 hadrons with high $p_T$ ( $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

- The systematical error can be decomposed:
  - False asymmetries (experimental systematics): 0.014
  - Resolved photon contribution: 0.013
  - Monte Carlo tuning: **0.052**
    - The MC parameters were changed in a range where the reasonable agreement between the data and MC remains
    - 30% difference in  $R_{\text{PGF}}$  found

## 2 hadrons with high $p_T$ ( $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ )

The results 2002/3 (**PLB 633 (2006) 25-32**):

$$\Delta G/G = 0.024 \pm 0.089 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.057 \text{ (syst.)}$$

$$x_g = 0.095^{+0.08}_{-0.04}$$

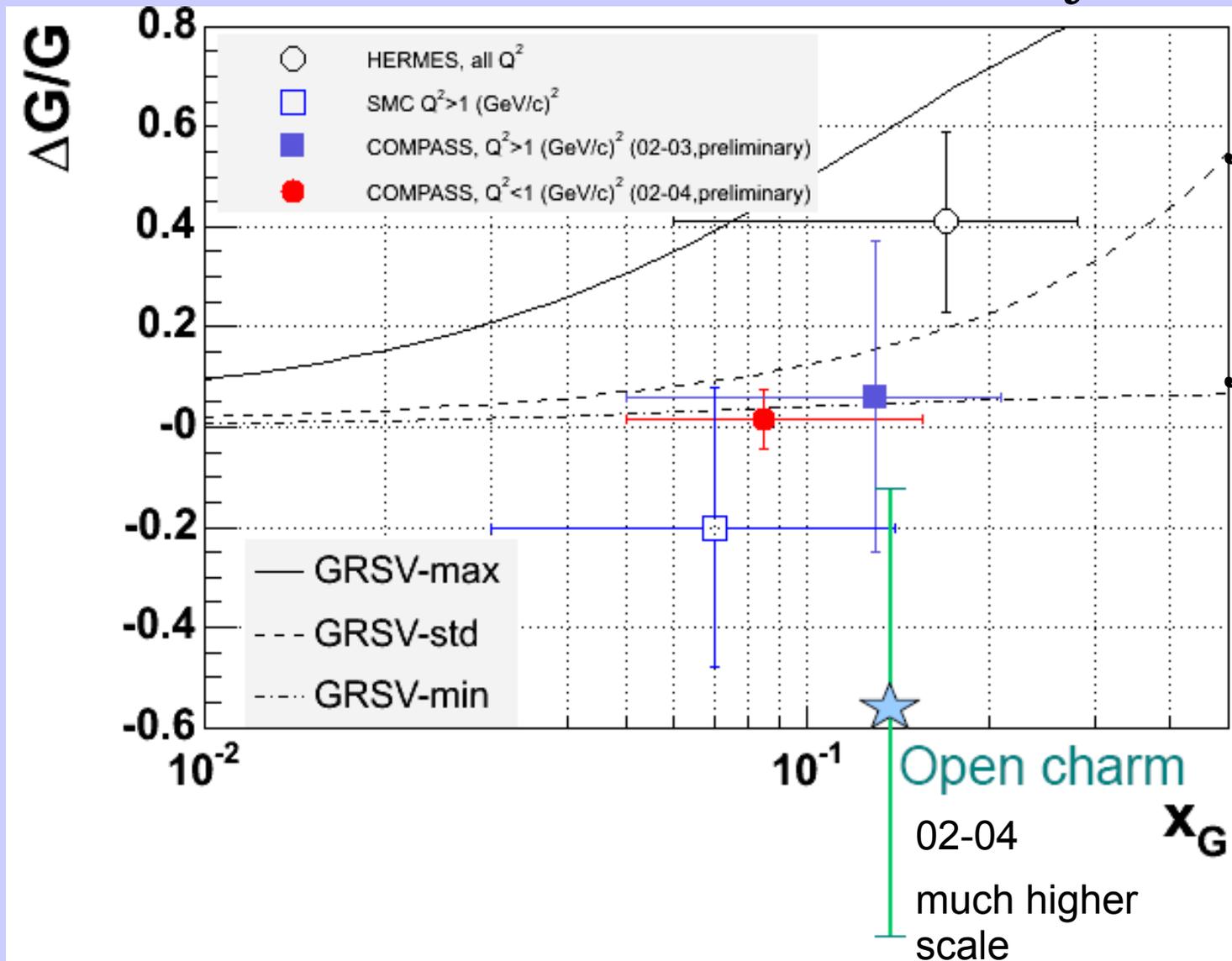
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The preliminary results 2002/3/4:

$$\Delta G/G = 0.016 \pm 0.058 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.055 \text{ (syst.)}$$

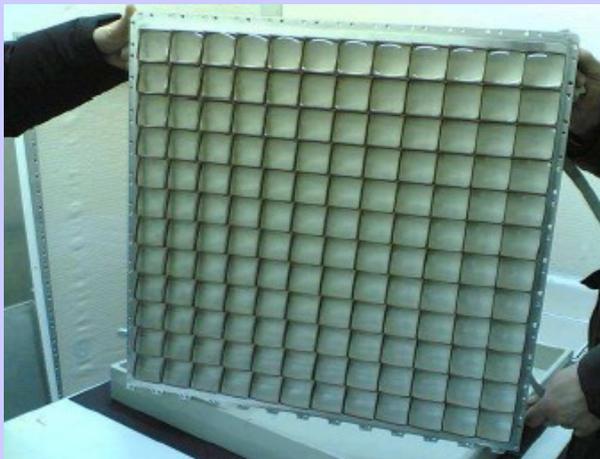
# The results from COMPASS

$$\int \Delta G dx = 2.5$$



# Prospects

- Results from 2002-4 high  $p_T$  ( $Q^2 > 1$ ) analysis available soon
- 2002-4 open charm analysis still ongoing – reduction on statistical error expected, systematical error
- For high  $p_T$  analysis binning in  $x_g$  considered, NN under investigation
- Improvements of COMPASS in 2006:
  - New target solenoid – improvement in hadron acceptance (+30%)
  - Improvements in RICH efficiency
  - New tracking detectors
- We hope to double statistics with 2006 data



# Summary

- New results of  $\Delta G/G$  measurements were presented
- 3 channels were studied:

→ Open charm (2002-4):

$$\Delta G/G = -0.57 \pm 0.41 \text{ (stat.)}$$

→ High  $p_T$  ( $Q^2 > 1$ ) (2002-3):

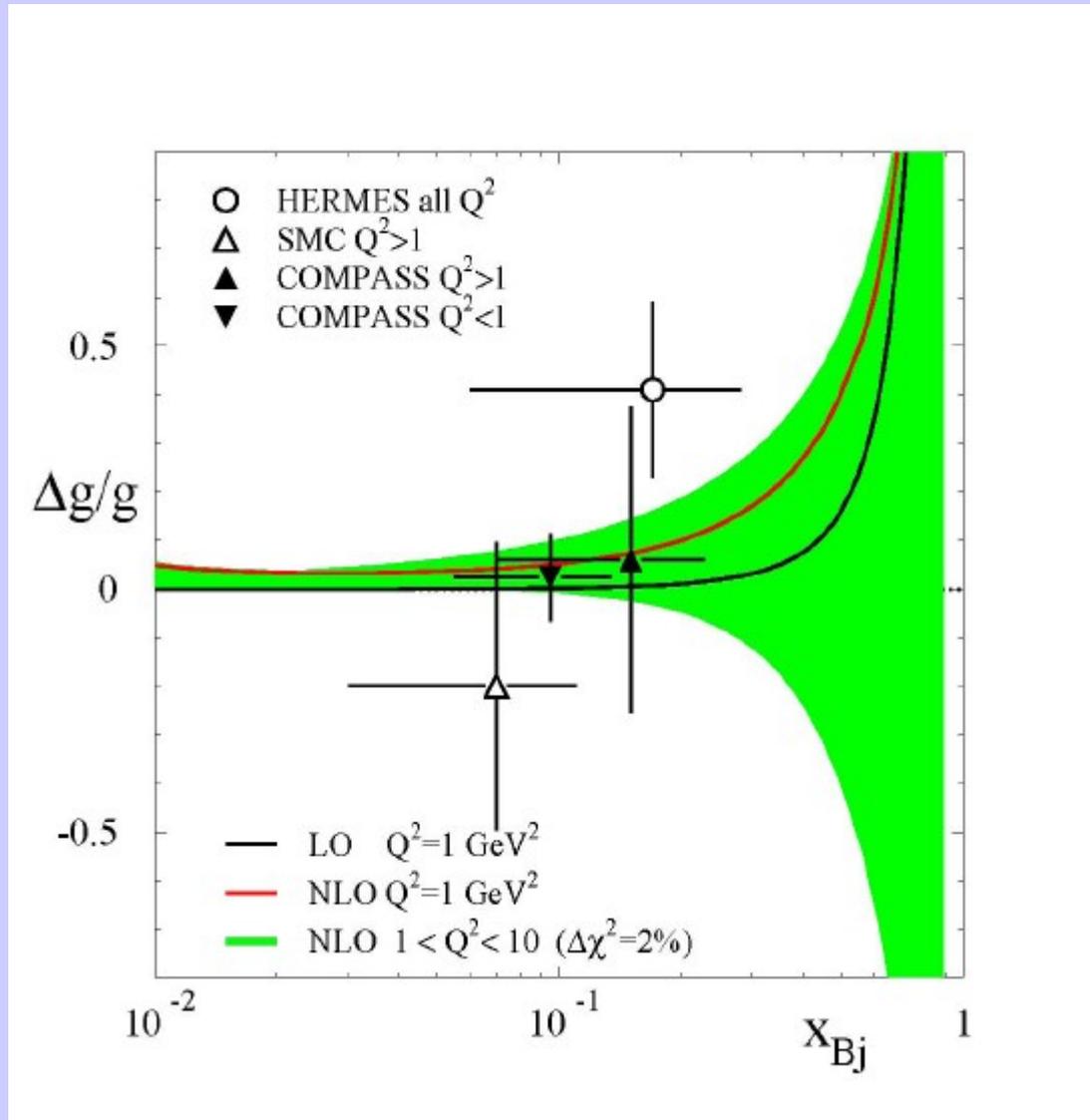
$$\Delta G/G = 0.06 \pm 0.31 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.06 \text{ (syst.)}$$

→ High  $p_T$  ( $Q^2 < 1$ ) (2002-4):

$$\Delta G/G = 0.016 \pm 0.058 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.055 \text{ (syst.)}$$

- Small  $\Delta G$  are preferred
- But still scenarios with large  $\Delta G$  ( $>0.4$ ) not excluded
- The question of  $L_{q,g}$  importance still open

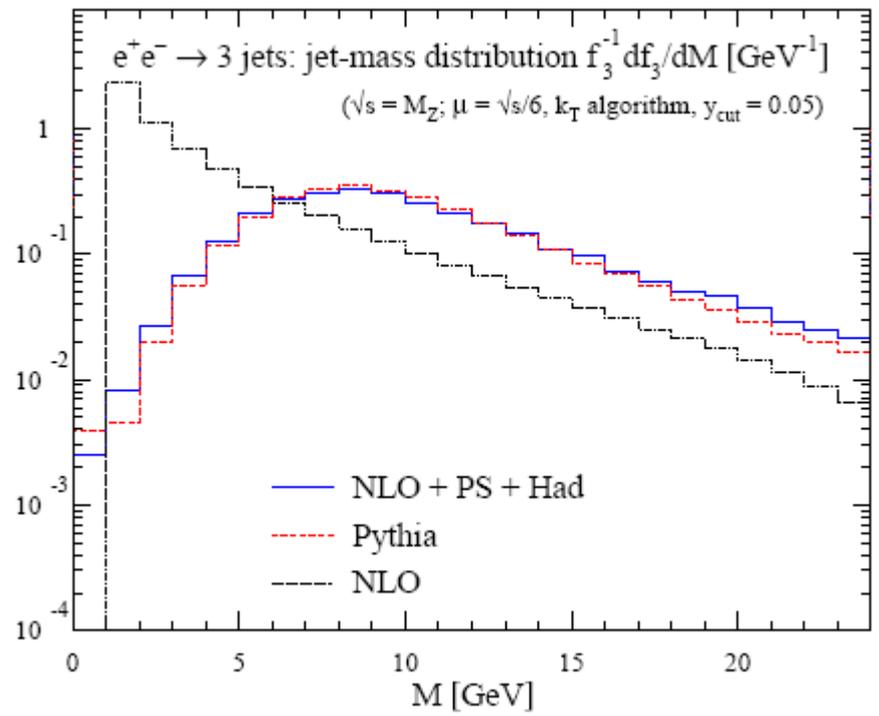
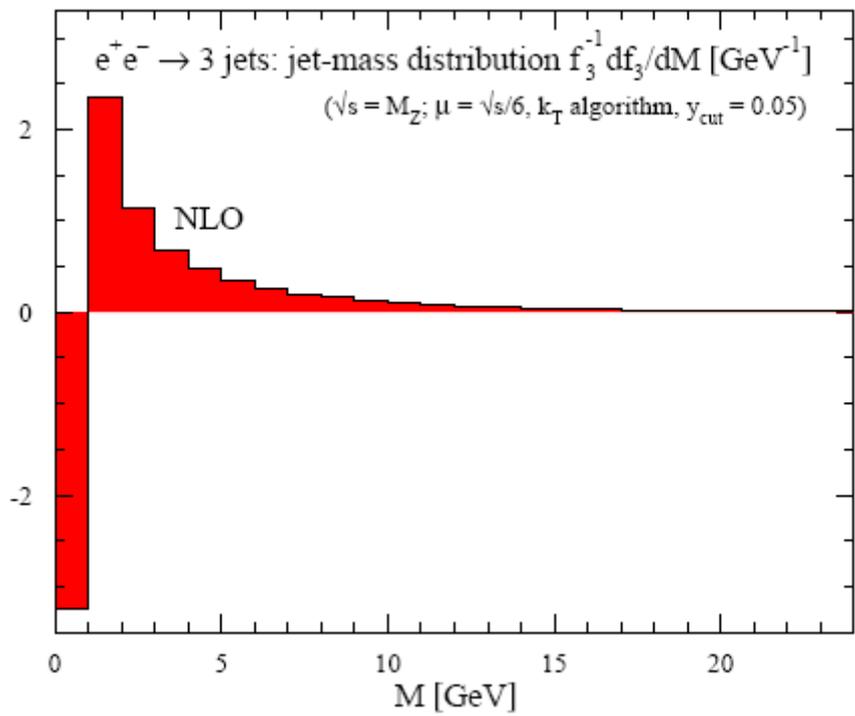
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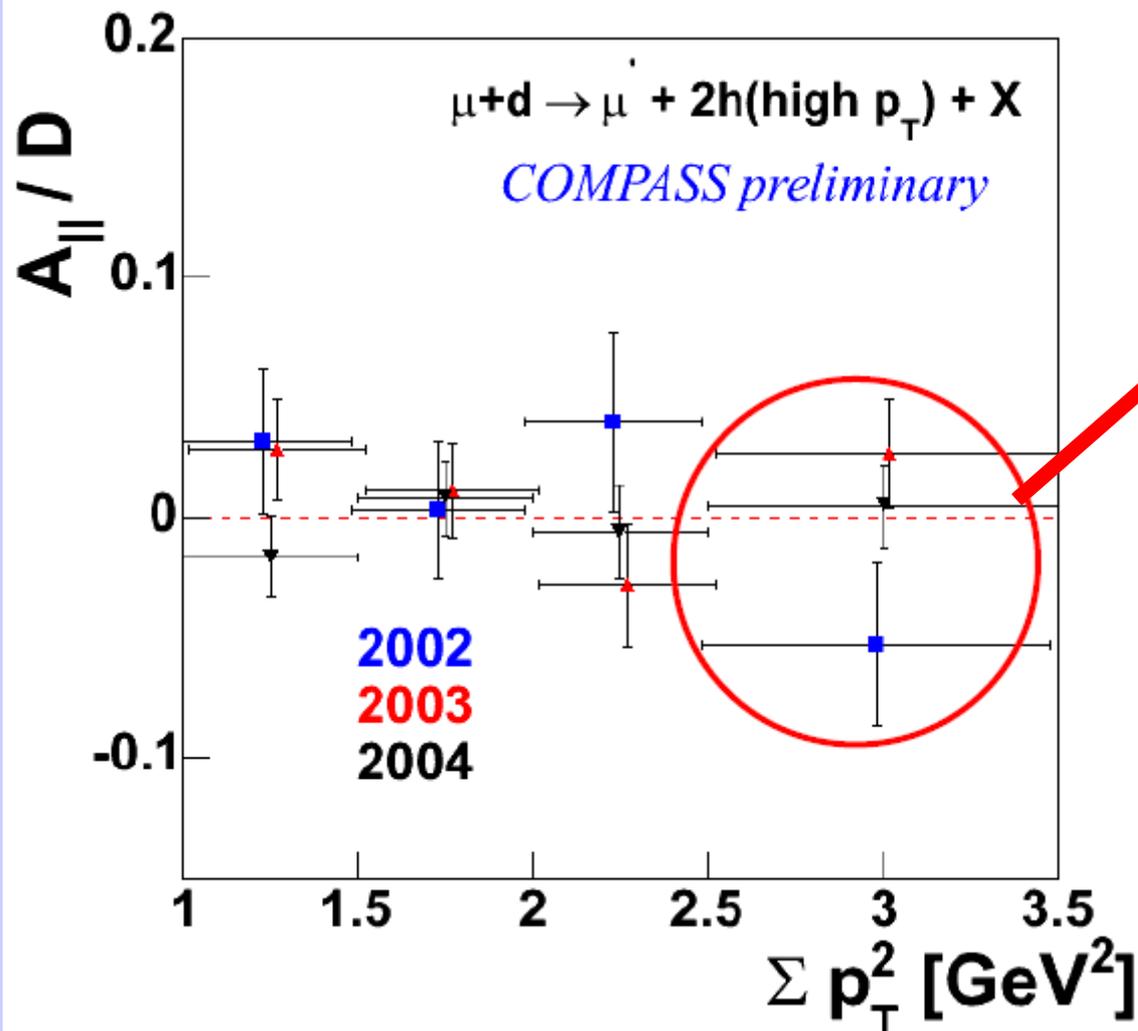


COMPASS, HERMES and SMC points not included in the fit

From presentation of Rodolfo Sassot in DIS06

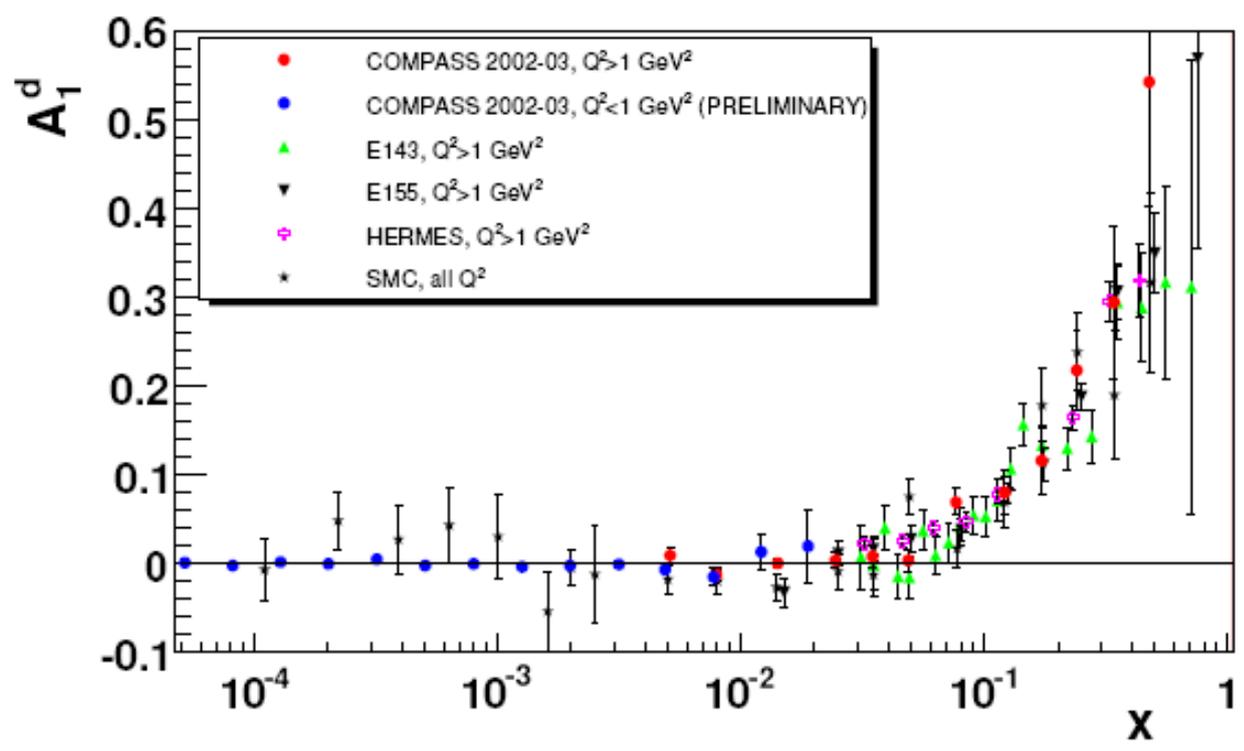
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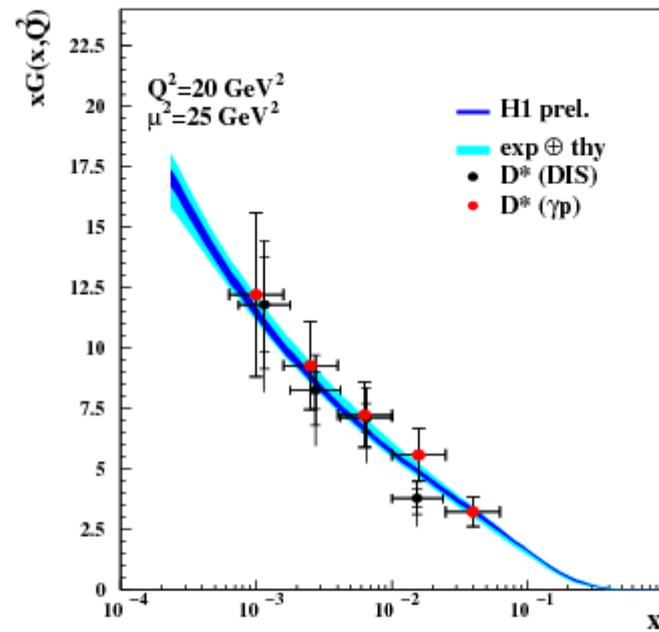




Values used for  
extraction of  
 $\Delta G/G$

# $A_1^d$ WORLD DATA





**Figure 2.11:** The gluon momentum distribution extracted from a QCD analysis compared to the result obtained with an open charm tagging approach. The line (“H1 prel”) shows  $xG(x)$  as extracted via a QCD fit on NMC and H1 data, error bands taking into account theoretical and experimental uncertainties are indicated. The points are obtained from a  $D^*$  meson cross-section measurement by the H1 collaboration. For the DIS measurement  $Q^2 > 2 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$  was required, whereas for the photoproduction ( $\gamma p$ )  $Q^2 < 0.01 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$  was used [50].