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Transverse spin effects at COMPASS

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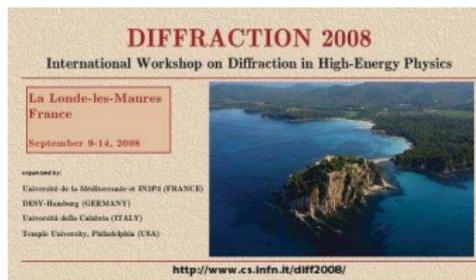
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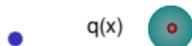
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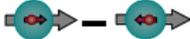
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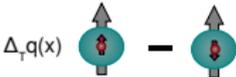
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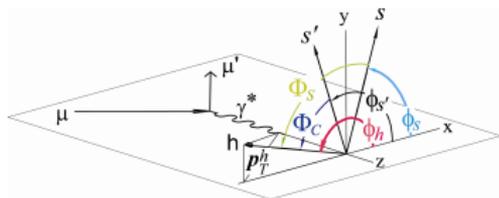
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$$\Phi_C = \phi_h - \phi_{s'} = \phi_h + \phi_s - \pi$$

$$A_{Coll} = \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 \Delta_T q \Delta_T^0 D_q^h}{\sum_q e_q^2 q D_q^h}$$



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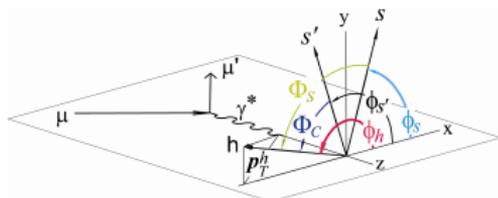
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$$A_{Sivers} = \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 \Delta_T^0 q D_q^h}{\sum_q e_q^2 q D_q^h}$$

$\Delta_T^0 q$ = **Sivers Distribution Function**: correlation between the intrinsic transverse momentum of unpolarized quarks and the spin in a transversely polarized nucleon.



The COMPASS spectrometer

See Barbara Badelek Talk



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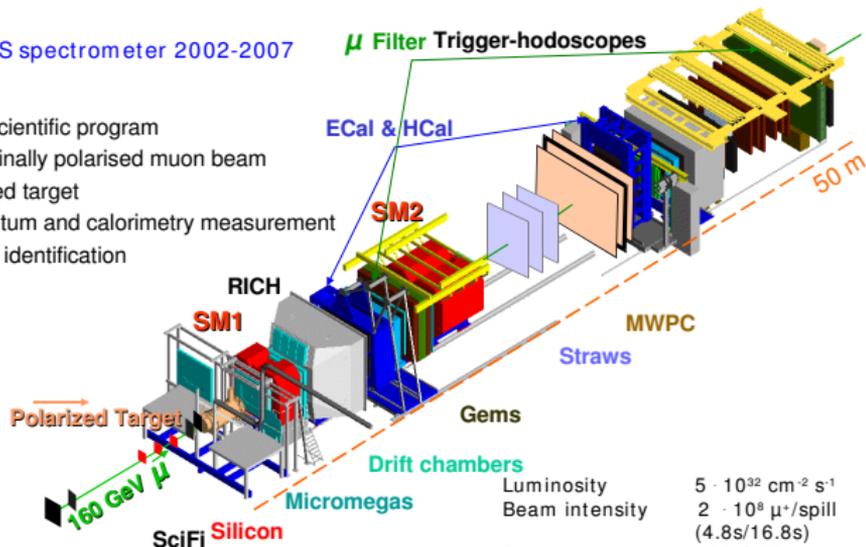
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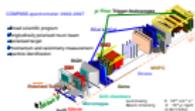
- Broad scientific program
- longitudinally polarised muon beam
- polarised target
- momentum and calorimetry measurement
- particle identification



Luminosity	$5 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
Beam intensity	$2 \cdot 10^8 \mu^+/\text{spill}$ (4.8s/16.8s)
Beam momentum	160 GeV/c



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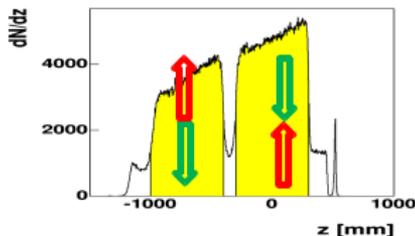
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Polarized Target:

- Operated in frozen spin mode
- During transverse data taking polarization is reversed every $\sim 4-5$ days
- Data are taken at the same time with 2 opposite polarizations

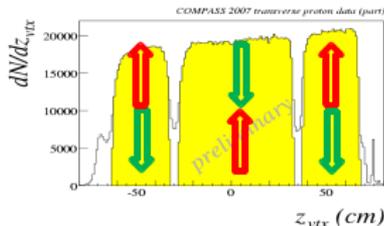
2002-2004: ^6LiD
(polarized deuteron)

- Two cells with opposite polarization
- Dilution factor $f = 0.38$
- Polarization $P_T = 50\%$
- Full statistics analyzed



2007: NH_3
(polarized protons)

- Three cells with opposite polarization
- Dilution factor $f = 0.14$
- Polarization $P_T = 90\%$
- 25% statistics analyzed





Data selection- DIS cut

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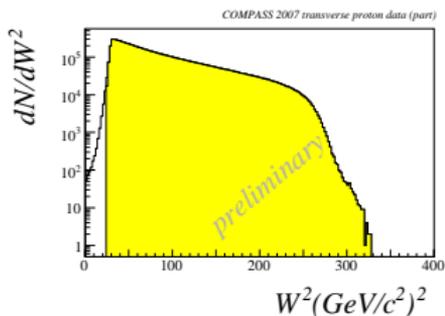
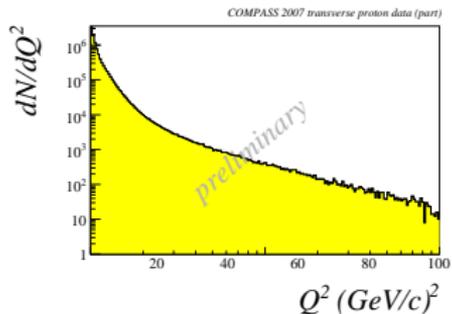
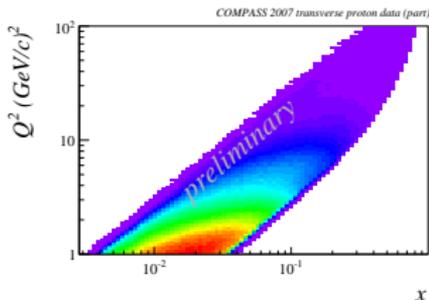
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- $Q^2 > 1$ (GeV/c²)
- $0.1 < y < 0.9$
- $W > 5$ GeV/c²



Data selection- Hadron sample

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- $p_T > 0.1 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $z > 0.2$

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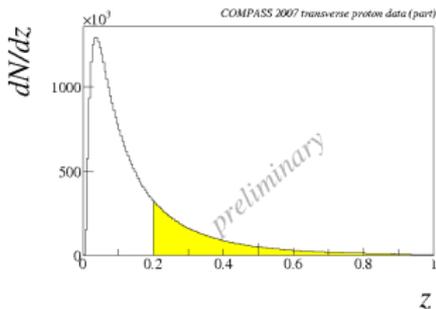
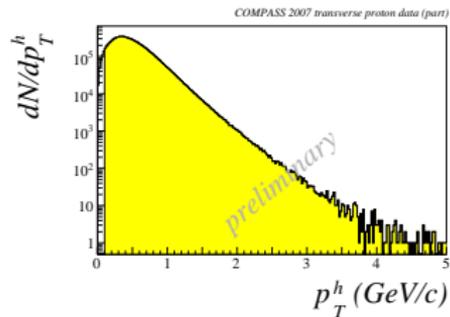
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	positive	negative
2002-2004 deuteron	8.5 M	7.0 M
2007 part proton	5.7 M	4.5 M



Collins asymmetry - deuteron data

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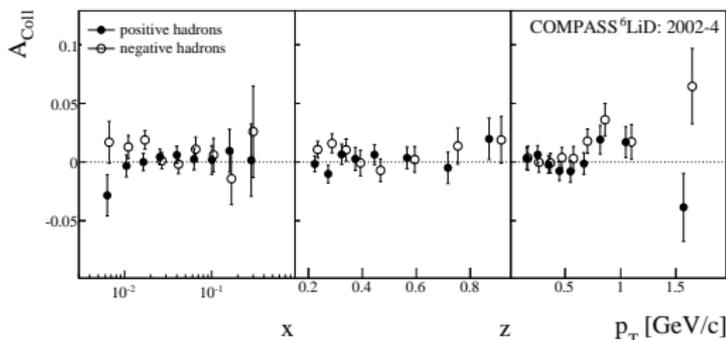
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Final results, all deuteron data: [NP B765 \(2007\) 31-70](#)



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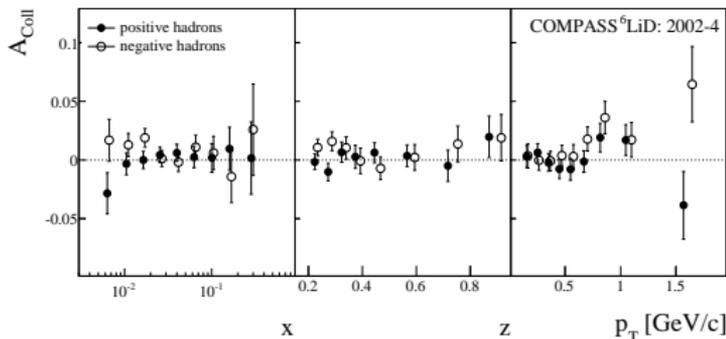
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All Collins asymmetries are small, compatible with 0. Results well comparable with 2 hadrons analysis and Λ polarization analysis on deuteron data.



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Naïve interpretation (parton model, valence region):

assuming all are pions

$$A_{Coll}^{d, \pi^+} \simeq \frac{\Delta_T u_v + \Delta_T d_v}{u_v + d_v} \frac{4\Delta_T^0 D_1 + \Delta_T^0 D_2}{4D_1 + D_2}$$

$$A_{Coll}^{d, \pi^-} \simeq \frac{\Delta_T u_v + \Delta_T d_v}{u_v + d_v} \frac{\Delta_T^0 D_1 + 4\Delta_T^0 D_2}{D_1 + 4D_2}$$

HERMES proton data

and BELLE data:

$$\Delta_T^0 D_2 \approx -\Delta_T^0 D_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta_T u(x) + \Delta_T d(x) \sim 0$$

Global fits ongoing.

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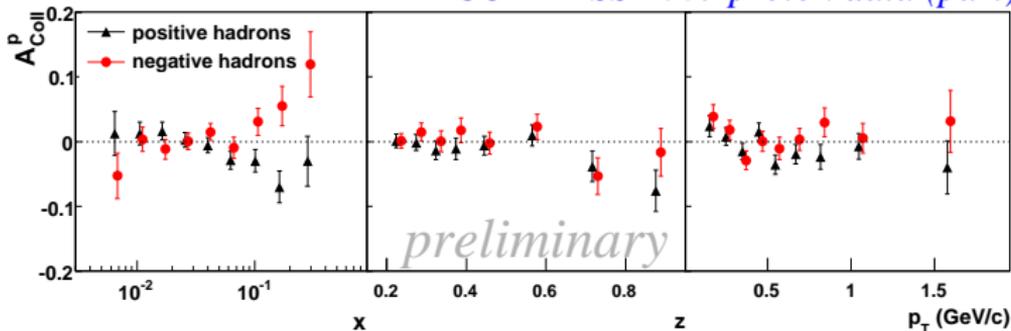
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Collins asymmetry - proton data

New results! First shown at Transversity 2008. (Ferrara- May 28-31, 2008)

COMPASS 2007 proton data (part)



Only statistical errors are shown. Systematic errors $\sim 0.3 \sigma_{stat}$.

- at small x the asymmetries are compatible with zero
- in the valence region the asymmetries are different from zero

of opposite sign for positive and negative hadrons
of the same strength and sign of Hermes

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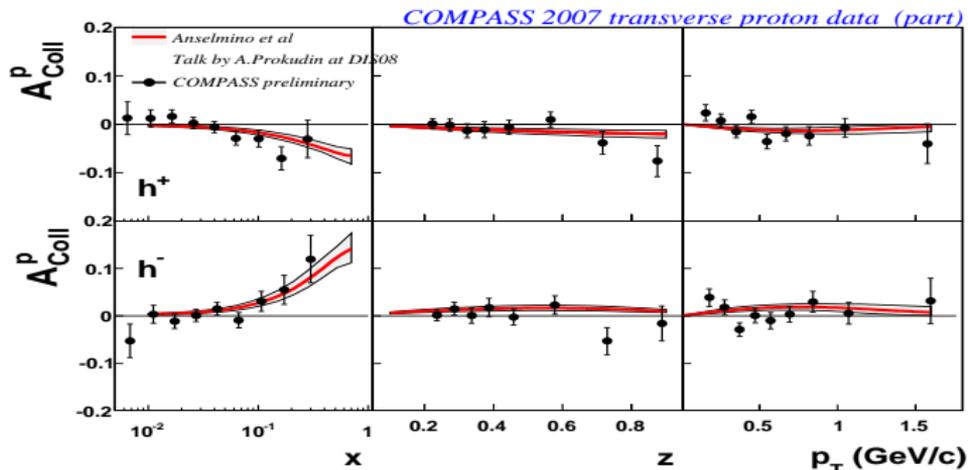
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Collins effect - predictions

COMPASS proton data are compared with last prediction of Anselmino et al.



Prediction from : COMPASS deuteron data, most recent HERMES proton and BELLE $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ data.
Good agreement between data and prediction.

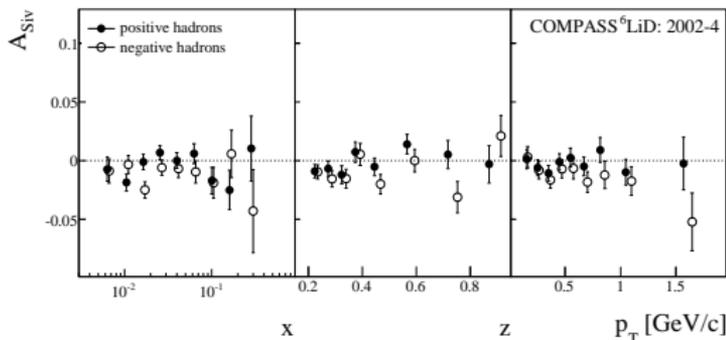


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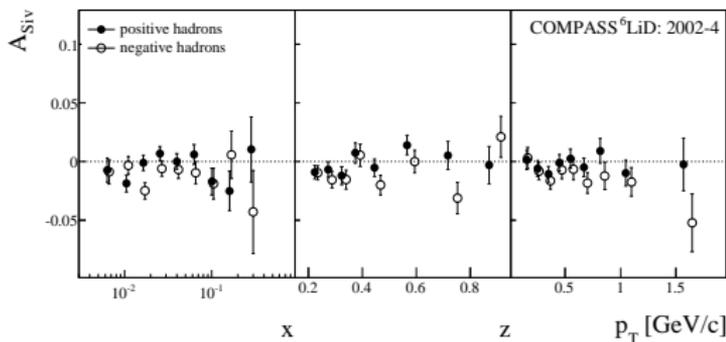
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Sivers asymmetry - deuteron data

Final results, all deuteron data: NP B765 (2007) 31-70



Only statistical errors are shown. Systematic errors are considerably smaller.

Asymmetries are small, compatible with 0.

Naïve interpretation (parton model, valence region):

assuming all are pions

$$A_{Siv}^{d,\pi^+} \simeq A_{Siv}^{d,\pi^-} \simeq \frac{\Delta_0^T u_v + \Delta_0^T d_v}{u_v + d_v} \Rightarrow \Delta_0^T u_v \simeq -\Delta_0^T d_v$$

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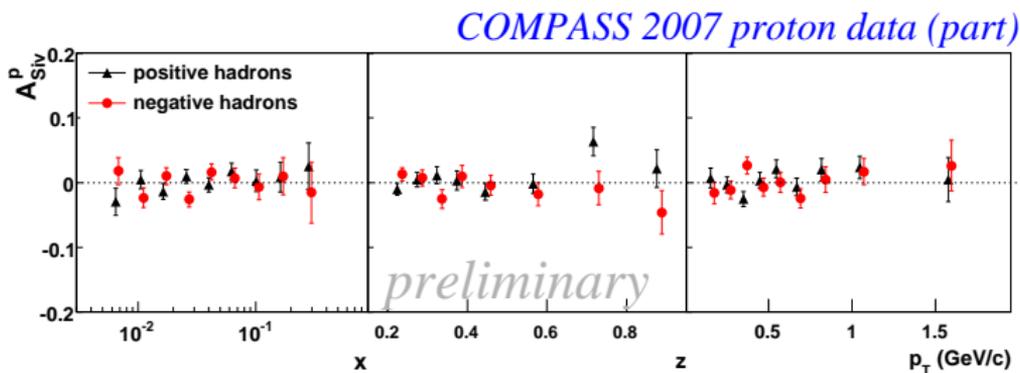
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Sivers asymmetry-proton data

New results! First shown at Transversity 2008. (Ferrara- May 28-31, 2008)



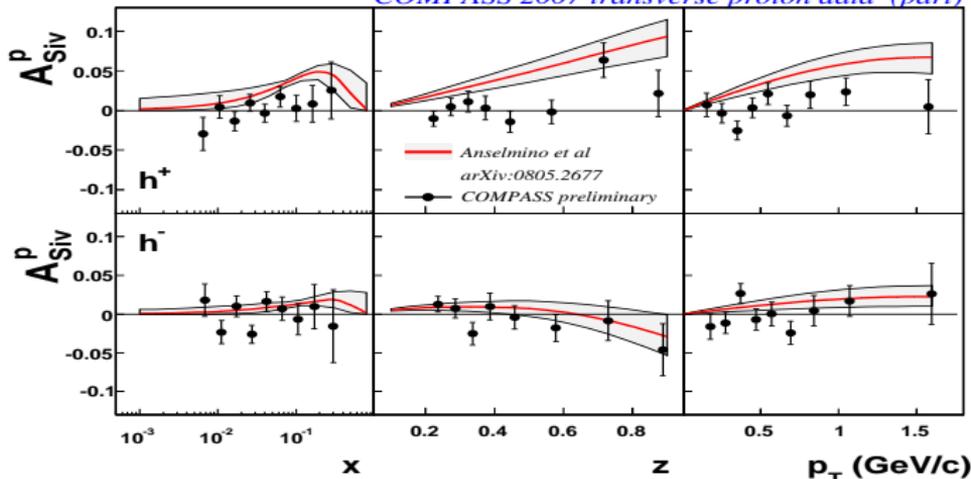
The measured asymmetries are small, compatible with zero within the statistical error.



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COMPASS proton data are compared with prediction of Anselmino et al. (M. Anselmino et al. "Sivers Effect for Pion and Kaon Production in Semi-Inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering," arXiv:0805.2677 [hep-ph].)

COMPASS 2007 transverse proton data (part)



Prediction from: COMPASS deuteron data and most recent HERMES proton data.

Marginal agreement between data and prediction.

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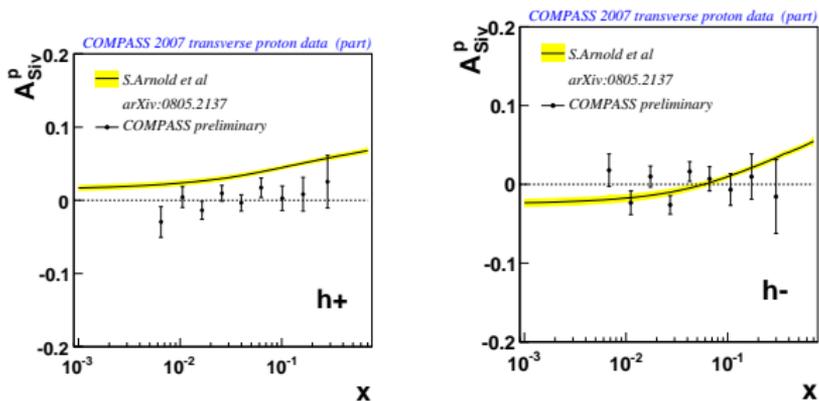


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In the complete SIDIS cross section there are also:

- 3 polarization independent modulations

All measured on **deuteron** data.

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx dy dz d\phi_h dP_{h\perp}^2} = \frac{\alpha^2}{xyQ^2} \frac{y^2}{2(1-\epsilon)} \left(1 + \frac{\gamma^2}{2x}\right) \left\{ F_{UU,T} + \epsilon F_{UU,L} \right. \\ \left. + \sqrt{2\epsilon(1+\epsilon)} \cos\phi_h F_{UU}^{\cos\phi_h} \right. \\ \left. + \epsilon \cos(2\phi_h) F_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi_h} \right. \\ \left. + P_{\text{beam}} \sqrt{2\epsilon(1-\epsilon)} \sin\phi_h F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h} \right. \\ \left. + \dots \right.$$

Polarization independent modulations are due to kinematical effects (Cahn effect), Boer Mulders PDF, and QCD effects or to Beam polarization.



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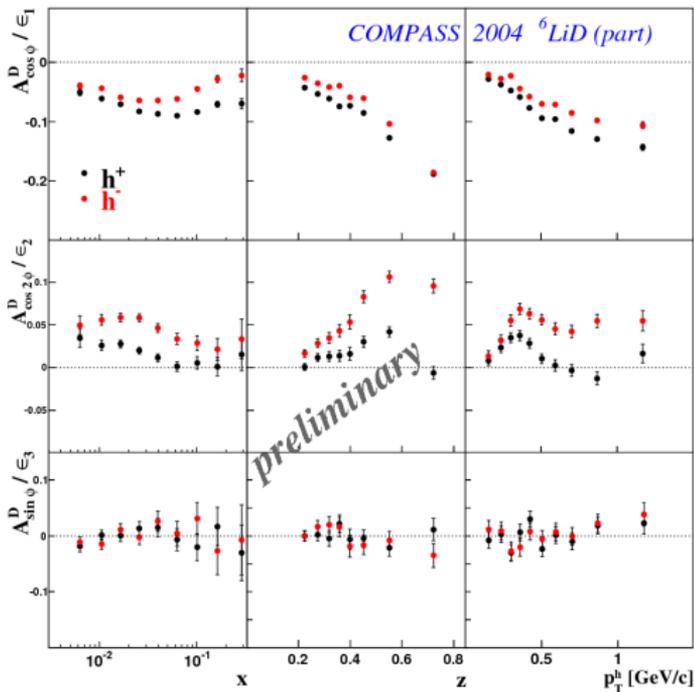
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- $\cos\phi$ strongest effect
- $\cos 2\phi$ up to 10%
- $\sin\phi$ is compatible with zero
- good general agreement with predictions
- Differences between asymmetries from positive and negative hadrons ($\cos\phi$ and $\cos 2\phi$) are a hint of BM pdf
- Of great interest for theoreticians
(M. Anselmino, M. Boglione, A. Prokudin, C. Turk, Eur. Phys. J. A31, 373-381(2007); V. Barone, A. Prokudin, B. Q. Ma arXiv:0804.3024[hep-ph])



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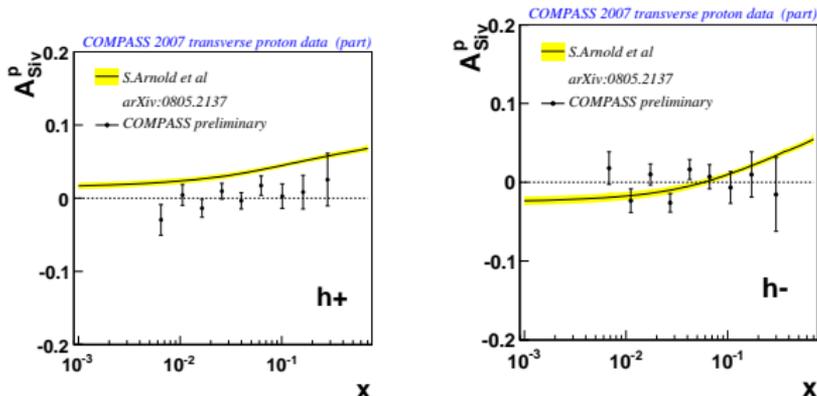
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$$A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi-\phi_S)} = \left\{ \text{'twist-2 Sivers effect' in Eqs. (11, 15)} \right\} + C(Q) \frac{M_N^2}{Q^2}$$

Maybe such corrections are irrelevant for $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ which is typically used as DIS-cut. In any case, a careful comparison of all (present and future) data from COMPASS, HERMES and JLab will shed light on the possible size of power corrections.



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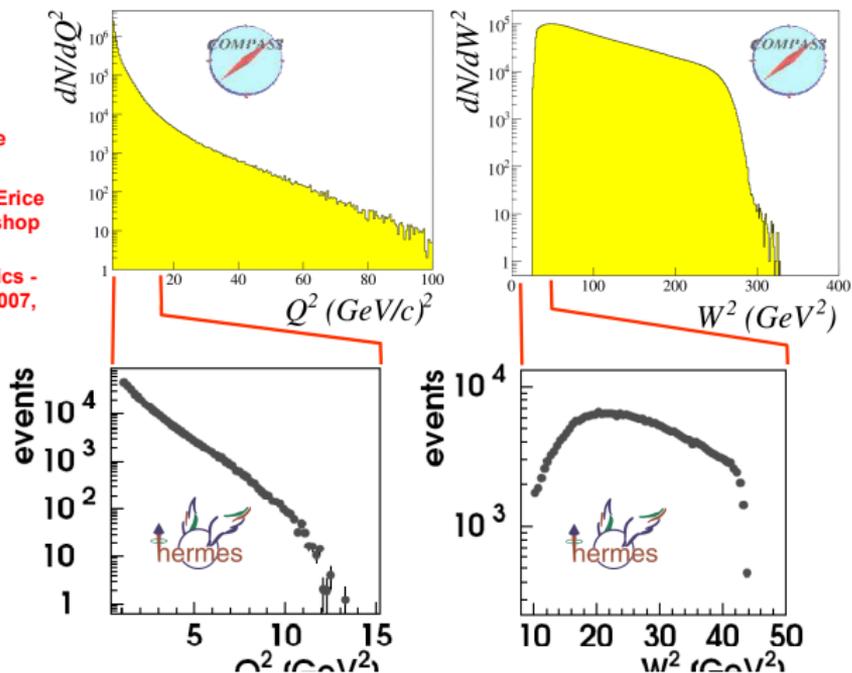
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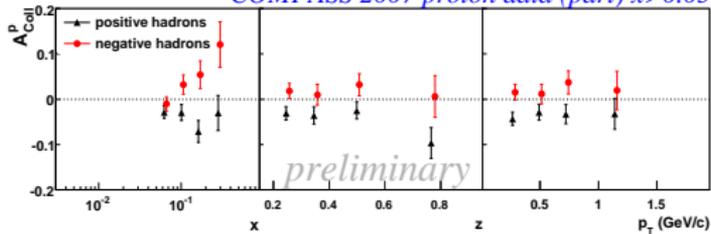
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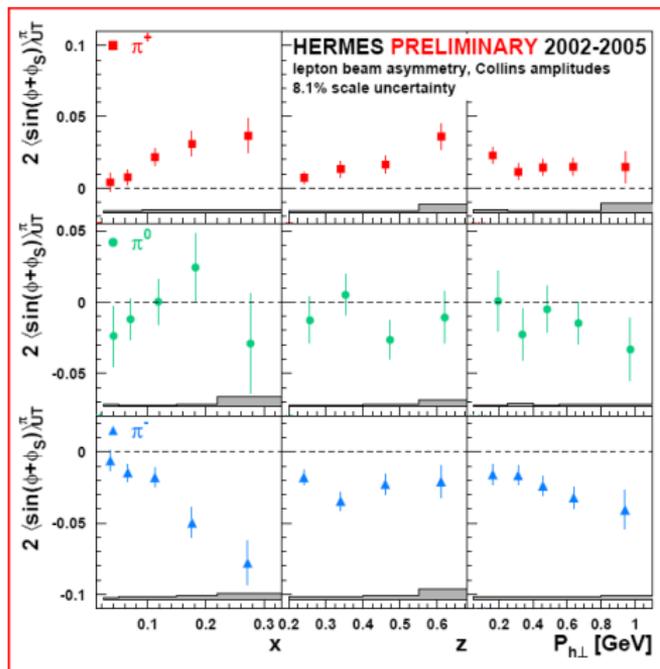
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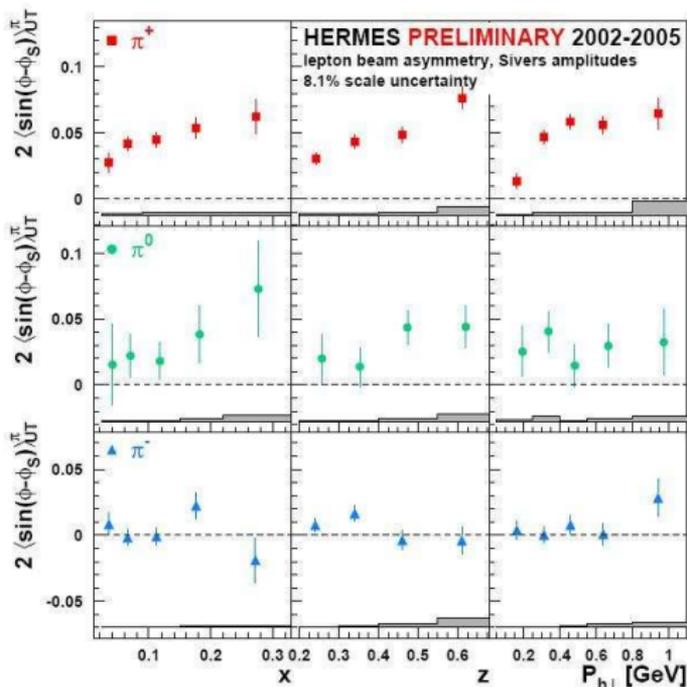
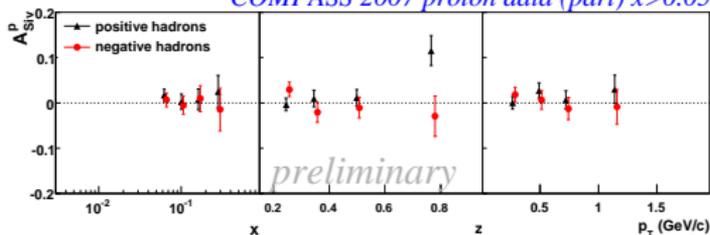
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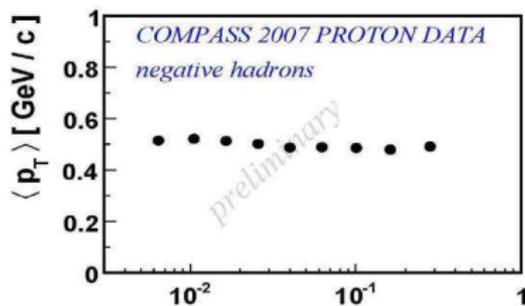
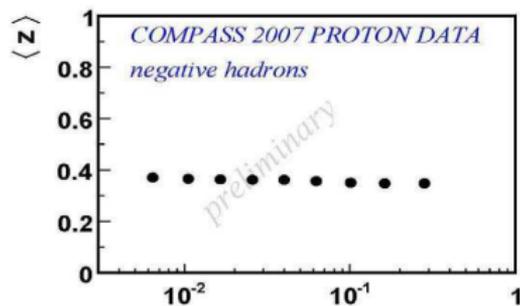
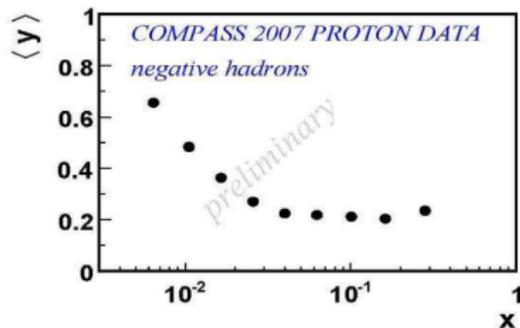
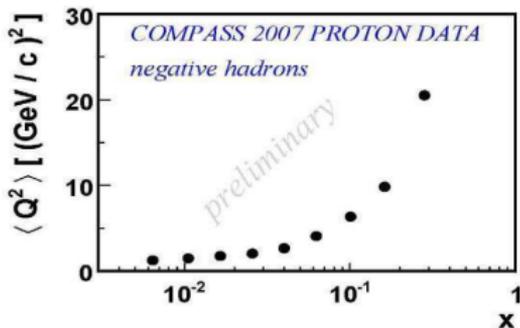
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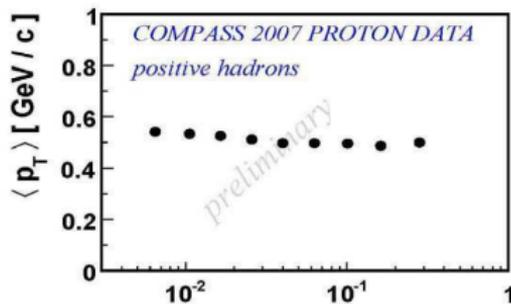
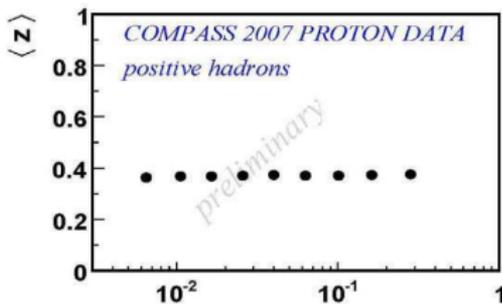
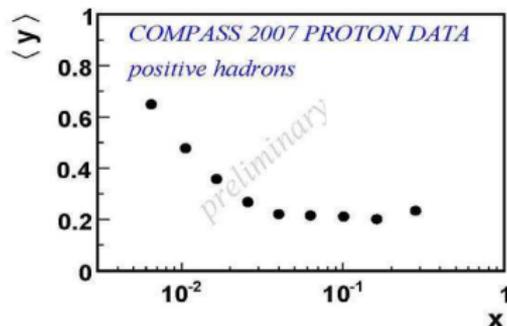
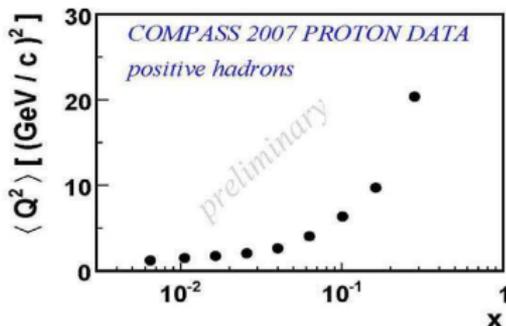
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Quality checks

- ◆ Data taking stability is a required necessary condition:

A dedicated set of quality checks have been developed and applied to fulfill this condition

Different and independent estimators have been taken into account:

1. ***the detector profiles stability***
2. ***the number of primary vertexes per event***
3. ***the number of tracks per primary vertex***
4. ***beam particles per primary vertex***
5. ***the K_0 number per primary vertex***
6. ***the reconstructed mass of the K_0 meson***
7. ***stability of many kinematical variables:***

$$(z_{vtx}, E_{\mu'}, \phi_{\mu'}, x_{Bj}, Q^2, y, W, E_{had}, \phi_{hadLab}, \theta_{hadLab}, \phi_{hadGNS}, \theta_{hadGNS}, p_t)$$



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Several systematics tests have been performed:

Splitting of the target into sectors:

1. Left right
2. Up down

False asymmetries test:

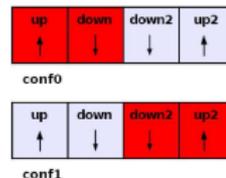
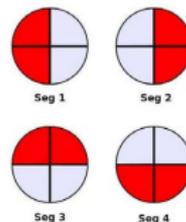
1. Combining cells with the same polarization

Target split: different target sectors

1. Combining half upstream target cells (conf 0)
2. Combining half downstream target cells (conf 1)

Different methods for asymmetry extraction

1. 5 different methods





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eight by eight binning in ϕ_h and ϕ_S ;

in each bin $j = \{1, 2, \dots, 64\}$ we expect number of counts:

$$N_j^{\uparrow\downarrow} = a_j^{\uparrow\downarrow} g_j^{\uparrow\downarrow}(\vec{A})$$

$\uparrow\downarrow$ = sign of target polarization

$a_j^{\uparrow\downarrow}$ = acceptance in bin j

$g_j^{\uparrow\downarrow}(\vec{A})$ = spin dependent modulation of cross-section in bin j

For extracting asymmetries \vec{A} we need an assumption for the acceptances $a_j^{\uparrow\downarrow}$

$$\leadsto \text{Reasonable assumption: } C = \frac{a_{ju}^{\uparrow} a_{jd}^{\uparrow}}{a_{ju}^{\downarrow} a_{jd}^{\downarrow}}$$



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Coupling of two cells with opposite target polarization:

u^\uparrow, d^\downarrow and u^\downarrow, d^\uparrow

$$N_{ju}^\uparrow = C \frac{a_{jd}^\downarrow a_{ju}^\downarrow}{a_{jd}^\uparrow} g_j^\uparrow(\vec{A}) \quad N_{jd}^\downarrow = a_{jd}^\downarrow g_j^\downarrow(\vec{A}) \quad (1)$$

$$N_{ju}^\downarrow = a_{ju}^\downarrow g_j^\downarrow(\vec{A}) \quad N_{jd}^\uparrow = a_{jd}^\uparrow g_j^\uparrow(\vec{A})$$

$$C = \frac{a_{ju}^\uparrow a_{jd}^\uparrow}{a_{ju}^\downarrow a_{jd}^\downarrow}, \text{ reasonable assumption} \quad (2)$$

$j = \{1, 2, \dots, 64\}$ (eight by eight binning in ϕ_h and ϕ_S)

$\leadsto 4 \cdot 64 = 256$ nonlinear equations

$\leadsto 1 + 8 + 3 \cdot 64 = 201$ fit parameter



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Nonlinear system of equation solved with:

gsl_multifit_fdfsolver_lmsder (gsl function)

~> gsl function minimizes: $\|\vec{F}(\vec{a})\|^2$

target function $\vec{F}(\vec{a})$ was derived with Poisson statistic:

$$P_j(\vec{a}) = \frac{e^{-f_j(\vec{a})} f_j(\vec{a})^{N_j}}{N_j!} \sim \text{maximize } \log\left(\prod_{j=1}^{256} P_j(\vec{a})\right)$$

$f_j(\vec{a})$ = fit function in bin j

N_j = measured number of counts in bin j

~> binned maximum likelihood fit

~> minimization of:

$$F_j(\vec{a}) = \sqrt{2} \sqrt{f_j(\vec{a}) - N_j + N_j \ln(N_j / f_j(\vec{a}))}$$



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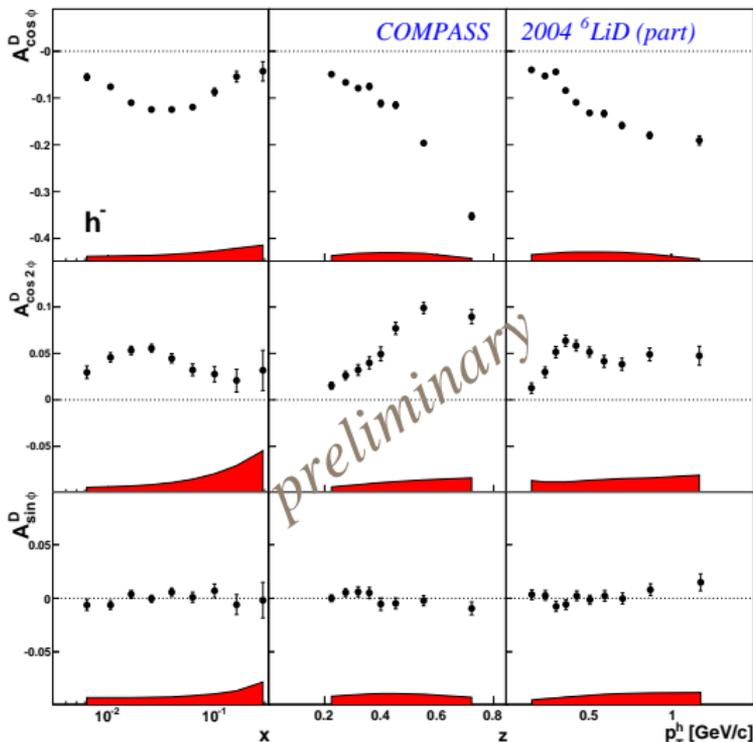
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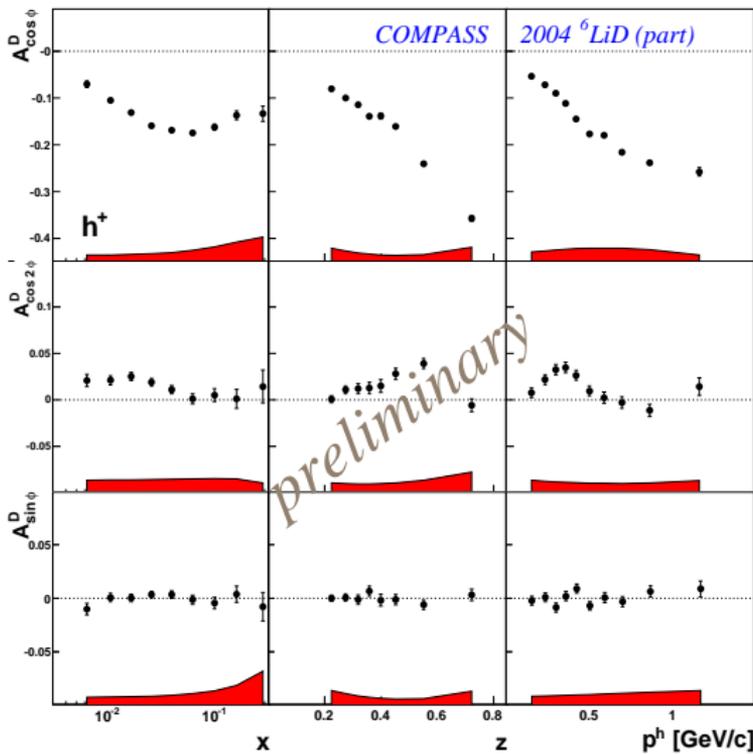
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- **pQCD contributions expected to be important at $p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}/c$**



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• Cahn effect

• Kinematical effect

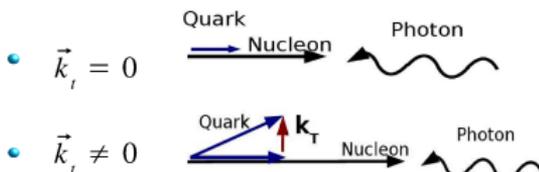
- Leading order QED with non null quark transverse momentum
(quark-lepton scattering)

$$d\sigma^{l h \rightarrow l' h X} \propto \sum_i f_i \cdot d\sigma^{q_i l \rightarrow q_i' l'} \cdot D_i^h$$

$$d\sigma^{q l \rightarrow q' l'} \propto \hat{s}^2 + \hat{u}^2$$

$$\hat{s} = (l + k)^2$$

$$\hat{u} = (l - k')^2$$



→ **Additional physics**

(modulations in the azimuthal distributions of the hadrons)

$$\cos(\phi) ; \cos(2\phi)$$

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- *Recently, interest is renewed because they can give further informations on Boer-Mulders TMD PDF (Boer-Mulders 1998)*
 - leading order PDF
 - correlation between quark intrinsic transverse momentum and transverse polarization in an unpolarized nucleon



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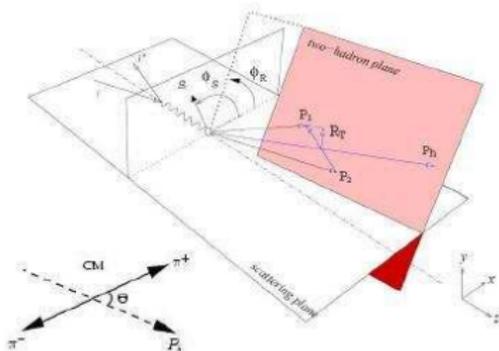
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in inclusive production of
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an **azimuthal asymmetry**
from the
**modulation of the number of
events in $\phi_{RS} = \phi_{R\perp} - \phi_{S'}$**



$$N^{\pm}(\Phi_{RS}) = N^0 \cdot \{ 1 \pm A \cdot \sin \Phi_{RS} \}$$

$$A_{RS} = \frac{1}{f \cdot P_T \cdot D} \cdot A = \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 \cdot \Delta_T q(x) \cdot H_q^{\zeta}(z, M_h^2)}{\sum_q e_q^2 \cdot q(x) \cdot D_q^h(z, M_h^2)}$$

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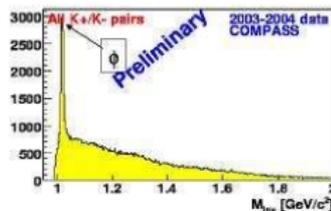
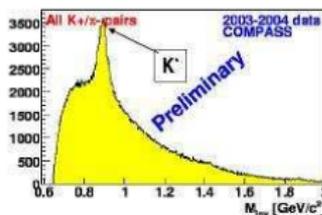
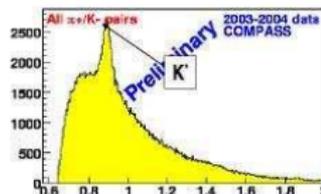
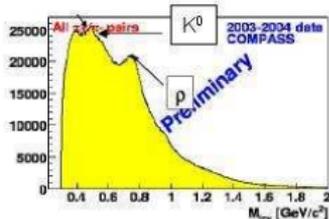


Hadron pairs

2 different analysis:

1) **hadron pairs ordered with charge:**

	without PID	$\pi^+ \pi^-$	$\pi^+ K^-$	$K^+ \pi^-$	$K^+ K^-$
total	$5.3 \cdot 10^6$	$3.7 \cdot 10^6$	$2.4 \cdot 10^5$	$3.0 \cdot 10^5$	$8.7 \cdot 10^4$



Different hadron combination \rightarrow different invariant mass spectra

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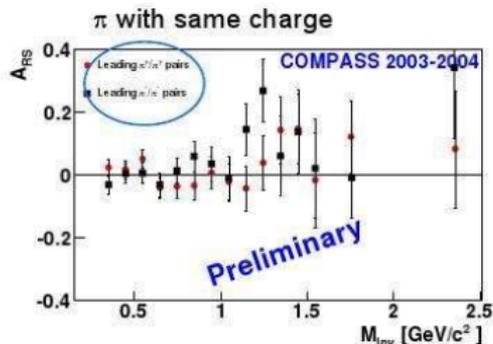
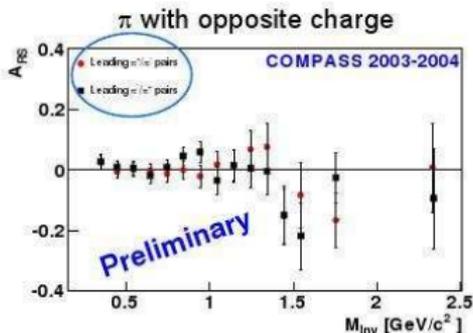
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Hadron pairs

2) **z-ordered pairs**: select in the event the two hadrons with the highest relative energy z :

for leading hadron pairs the signal enhancement is predicted, hadrons with higher energy carry more information about the fragmenting quark polarization

16 combinations, 4 particle combinations times 4 charge combinations



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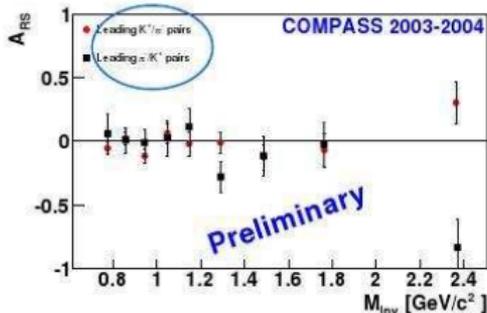
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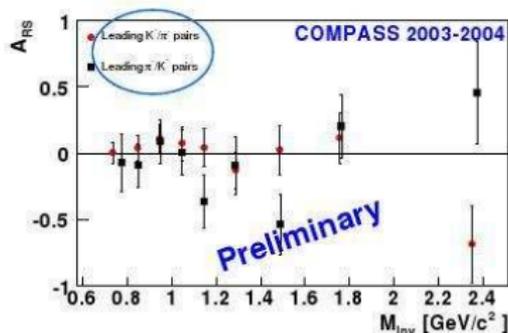
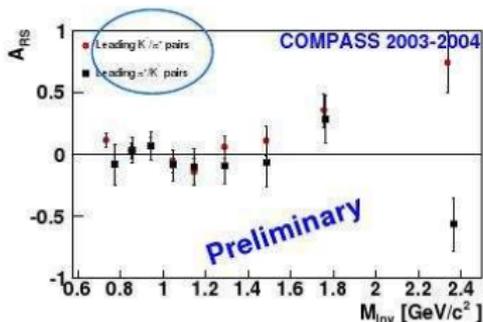
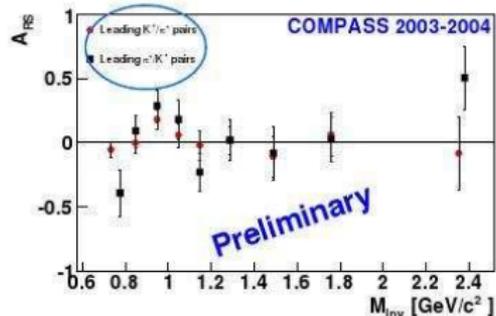
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K/π and π/K with opposite charge



K/π and π/K with same charge





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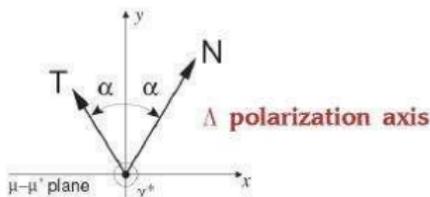
Information on $\Delta_T q$ can be accessed
in the processes:

$$\mu N^\uparrow \rightarrow \mu' \Lambda X$$

$$\mu N^\uparrow \rightarrow \mu' \bar{\Lambda} X$$

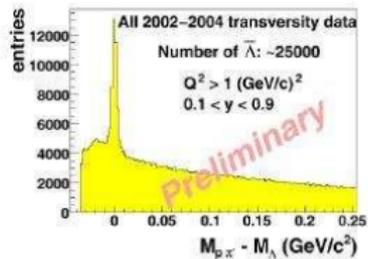
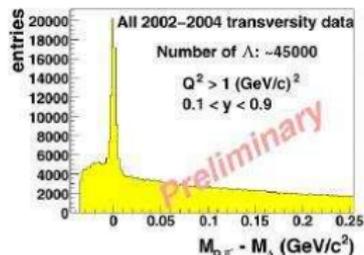
$$P_{T,exp}^{\Lambda} = \frac{d\sigma^{\mu N^\uparrow \rightarrow \mu' \Lambda^\uparrow X} - d\sigma^{\mu N^\downarrow \rightarrow \mu' \Lambda^\uparrow X}}{d\sigma^{\mu N^\uparrow \rightarrow \mu' \Lambda^\uparrow X} + d\sigma^{\mu N^\downarrow \rightarrow \mu' \Lambda^\uparrow X}}$$

$$= f P_N D(y) \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 \Delta_T q(x) \Delta_T D_{\Lambda/q}(z)}{\sum_q e_q^2 q(x) D_{\Lambda/q}(z)}$$



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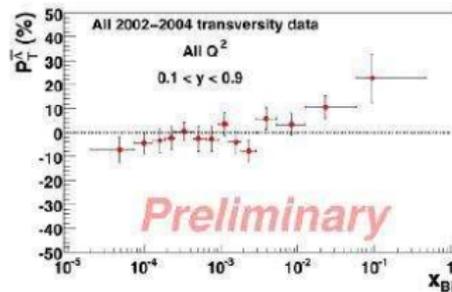
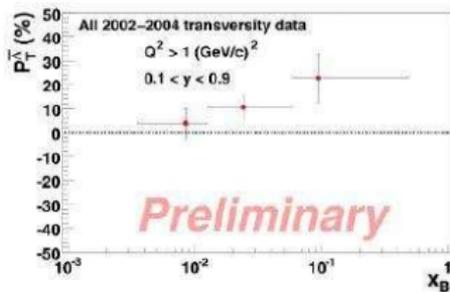
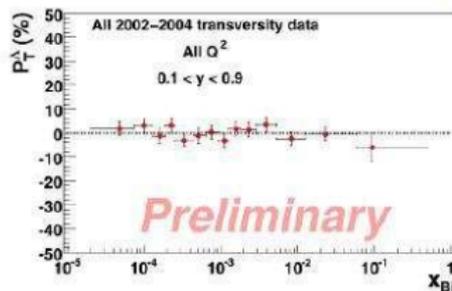
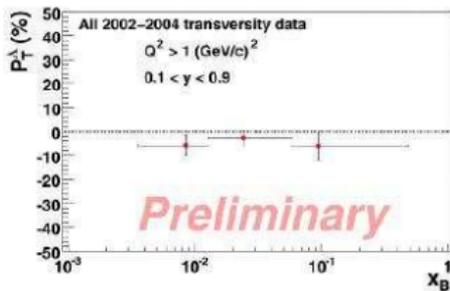
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systematic errors not larger than statistical errors

RICH ID not used yet; somehow improvement in selection still foreseen



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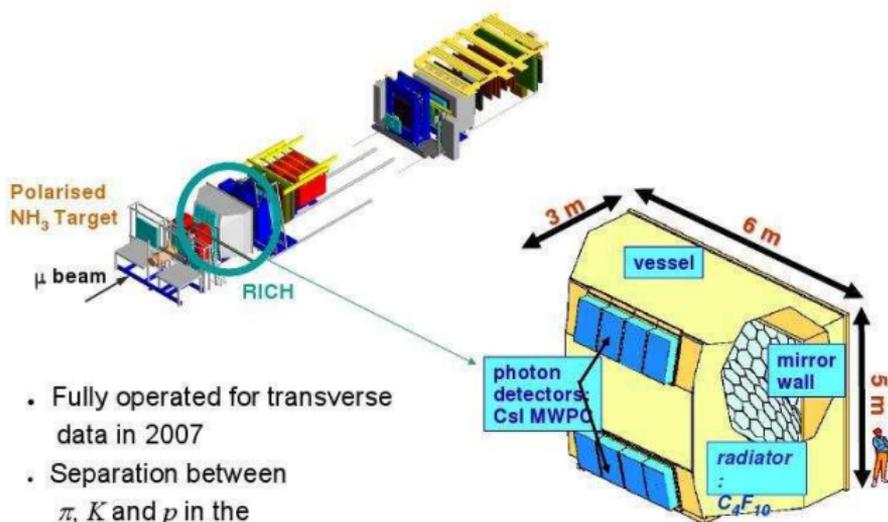
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- Fully operated for transverse data in 2007
- Separation between π , K and p in the momentum range 3-50 GeV/c



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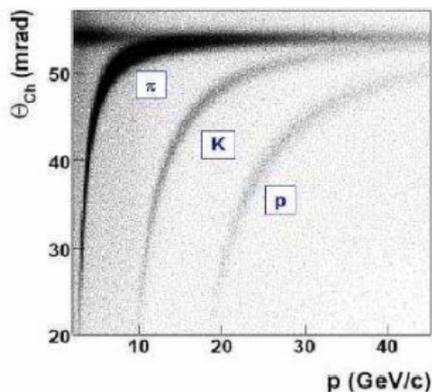
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- Hadron masses calculated from the measured cherenkov angle θ_{ch}
- Threshold momenta:
 - $p_{\pi} \sim 2 \text{ GeV/c}$
 - $p_K \sim 9 \text{ GeV/c}$
 - $p_p \sim 17 \text{ GeV/c}$
- Likelihood methods are used to reject pion and kaon for proton candidate in the decay of Λ ($\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi$) and $\bar{\Lambda}$ ($\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow \bar{p}\pi^+$)



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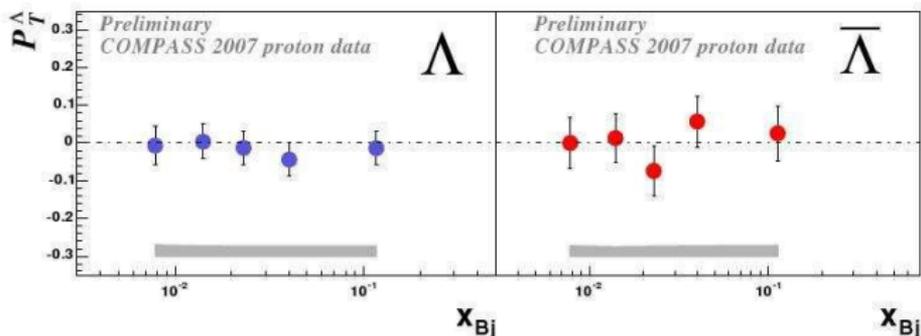
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