Sivers Asymmetry in J/ ψ Production in COMPASS 2010 Proton Data

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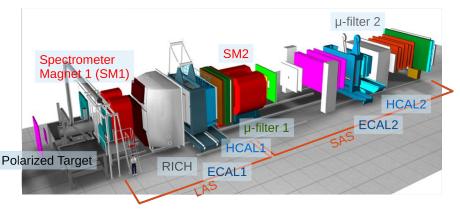
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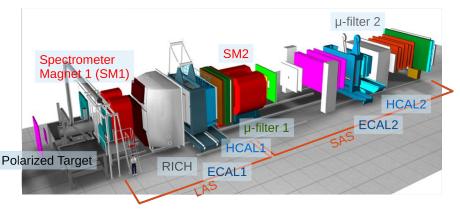
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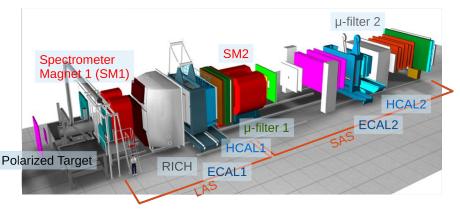
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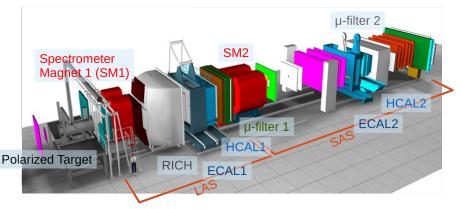
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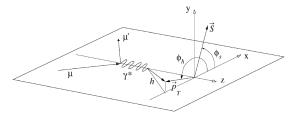
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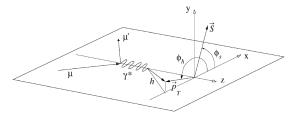
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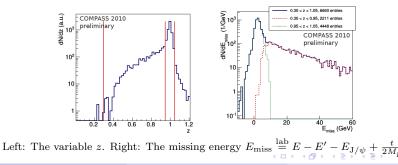
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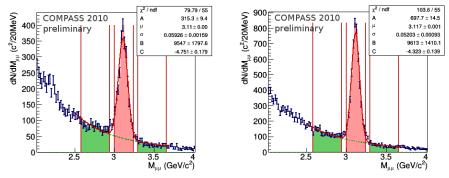
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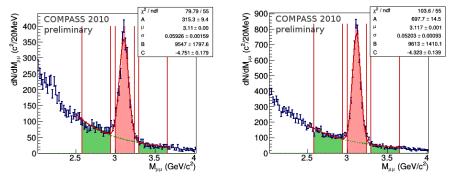
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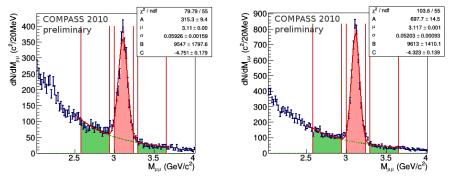
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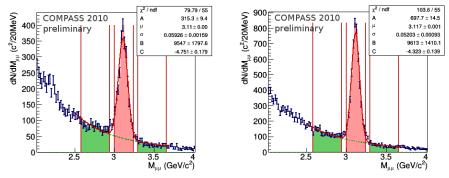


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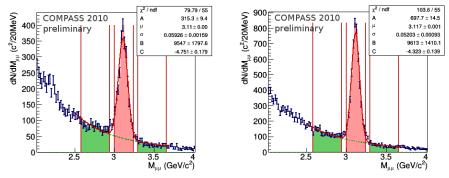


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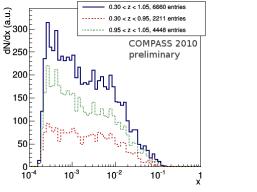


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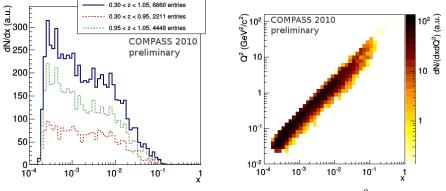
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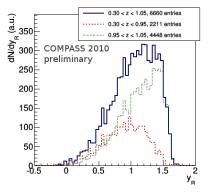


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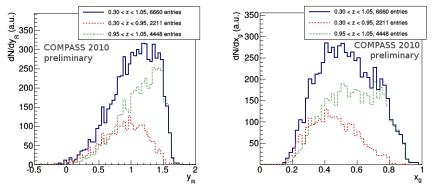


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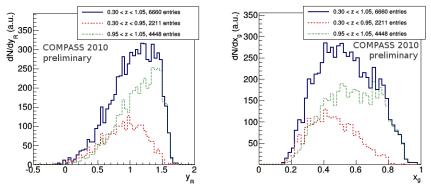
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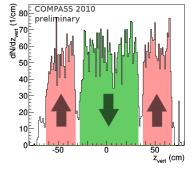
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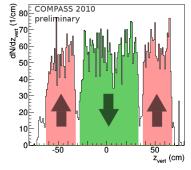
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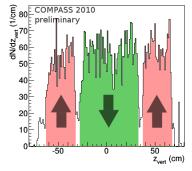
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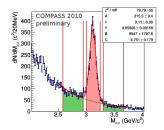
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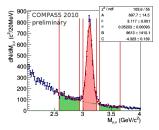
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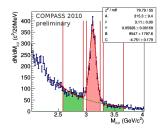
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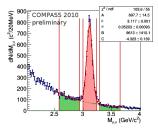
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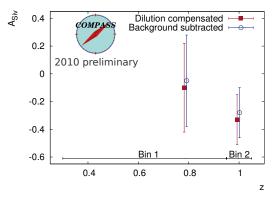
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