COMPASS Measurements of Spin-Dependent Asymmetry Amplitudes in the Drell-Yan Process Observed from Scattering Pions off a Transversely Polarized Proton Target

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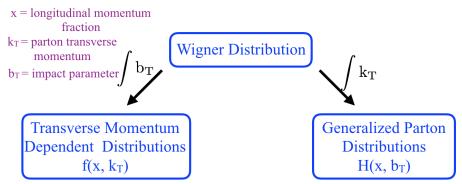
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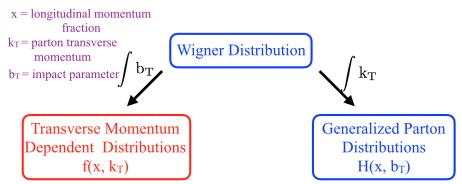
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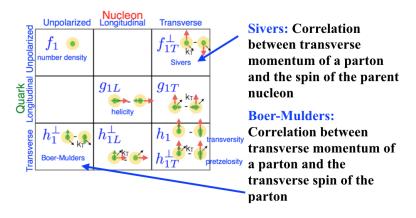
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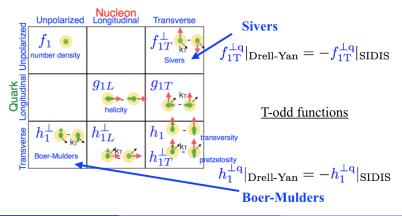
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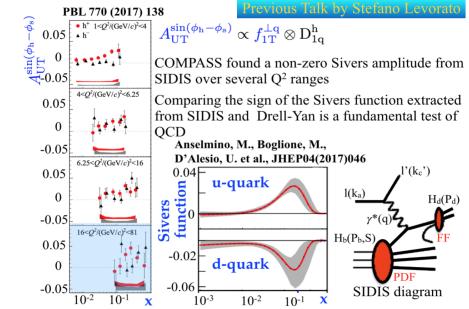


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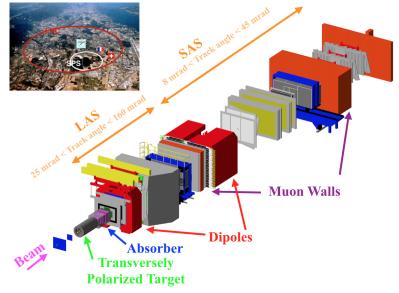
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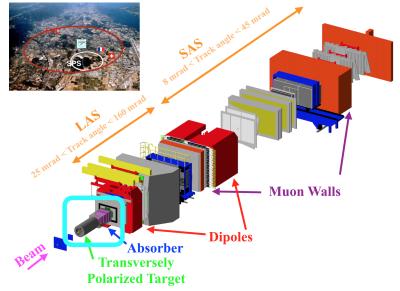


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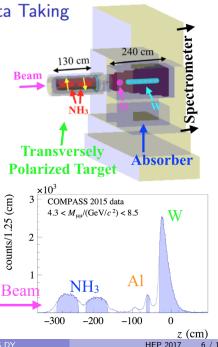
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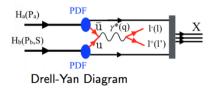


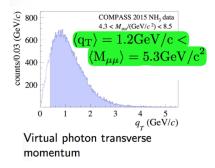
#### 2015 COMPASS Drell-Yan Data Taking

- ullet Recorded data for  $\sim$  18 weeks
- Two transversely polarized proton (NH<sub>3</sub>) target cells
  - Proton polarization  $\sim$  73%
  - Target cell polarizations flipped each week
- Alumina (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) hadron absorber placed downstream of target cells
  - Includes AI and W beam plugs which can also be used for spin-independent analysis
- Good separation between target cells was achieved



# The Drell-Yan Process at COMPASS





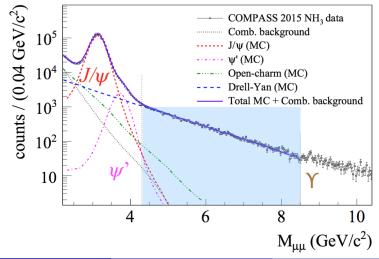
- Negative pion beam
  - ▶ 190 GeV/c
  - 6x10<sup>7</sup> π<sup>-</sup>/sec
- Negative pion beam is advantages for Drell-Yan
  - uū annihilate
- TMD description is valid at  $q_{\mathsf{T}} < \mathsf{M}_{\mu\mu}$
- Lower q<sub>T</sub> cut ensures angular variables are everywhere well defined

## Drell-Yan Cross-Section

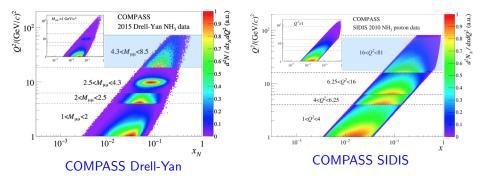
• The amplitudes of azimuthal modulations from the Drell-Yan cross-section give access to certain TMDs. At leading twist:

# Di-muon Invariant Mass Spectrum

- $\bullet\,$  The Drell-Yan analysis was performed in the mass range of 4.3-8.5  $GeV/c^2$ 
  - Only 4% background in this mass range
- Approximately 35 000 di-muon pairs were analyzed



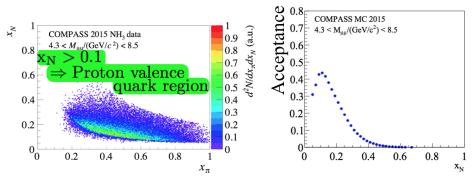
# COMPASS Kinematic Overlap between Drell-Yan & SIDIS



- COMPASS has kinematic overlap between Drell-Yan and SIDIS
- Allows to minimize the impact of uncertainties from TMD scale evolution
- The overlap in kinematic regions of COMPASS Drell-Yan and COMPASS SIDIS data allows for direct comparisons of TMD amplitudes

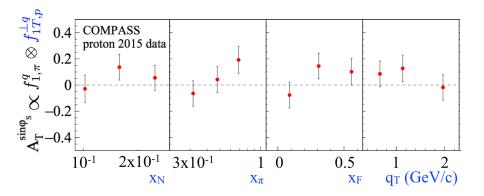
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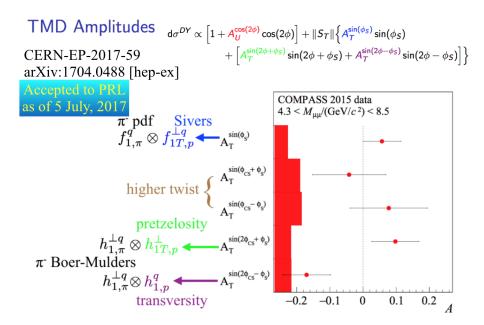
# **COMPASS** Drell-Yan Kinematics



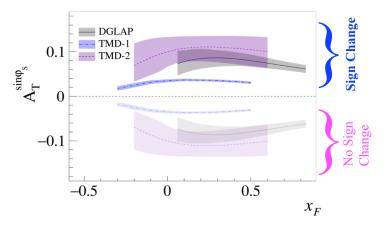
- The high mass range probes the proton's valence quarks
- The COMPASS spectrometer acceptance reaches a maximum in the proton valence region
  - The Sivers function extracted from SIDIS data also reaches its maximum in the proton valence region

#### Kinematic Dependence of the Sivers Amplitude





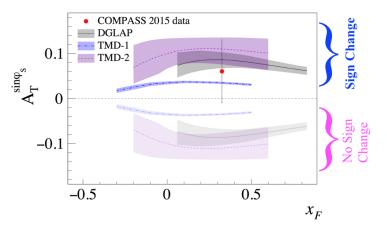
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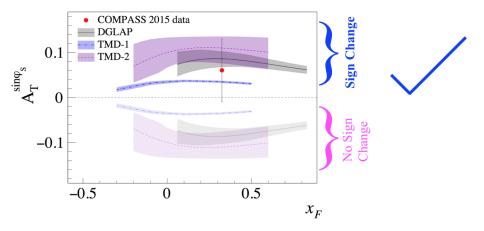
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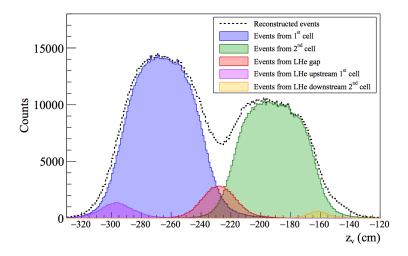
## Conclusion

- COMPASS determined the first spin-dependent azimuthal asymmetries from transversely polarized Drell-Yan data
- COMPASS has performed the first measurements of transversely polarized SIDIS and Drell-Yan which can be compared in a similar kinematic region
- The Sivers amplitude form COMPASS Drell-Yan data and the Sivers function extracted from SIDIS data is consistent with a sign change which is a fundamental validation of quantum chromo-dynamics



#### Backup

## Target Cell Separation



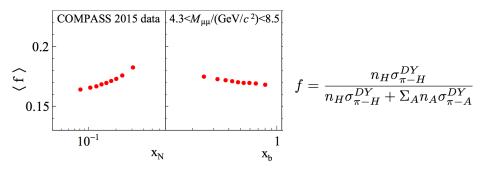
• Monte-Carlo simulations show there is very little event migration between the two transversely polarized target cells

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#### **Dilution Factor**

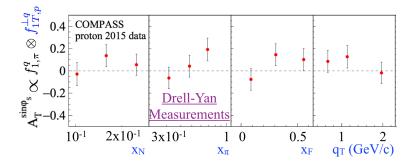
- Correction to the amount of polarizable material
  - ▶ Only protons from Hydrogen in NH<sub>3</sub> are assumed to be polarizable



•  $f \sim 0.18$ 

Includes correction from event migration between target cells

#### Kinematic Dependence of the Sivers Amplitude



 The overlap in kinematic regions of COMPASS Drell-Yan and COMPASS SIDIS data makes the Sivers amplitude directly comparable

