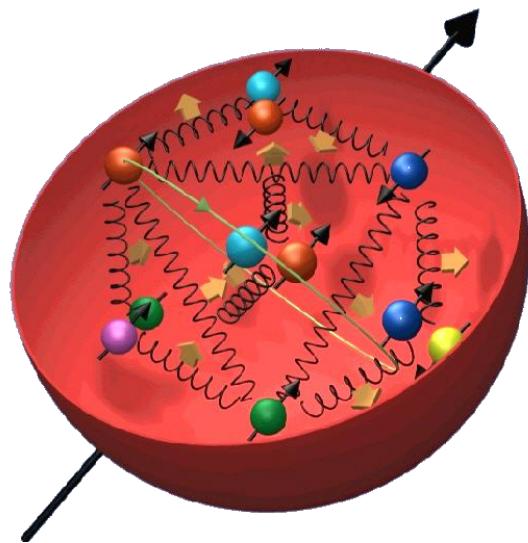




# The Nucleon Spin Structure



Gerhard Mallot



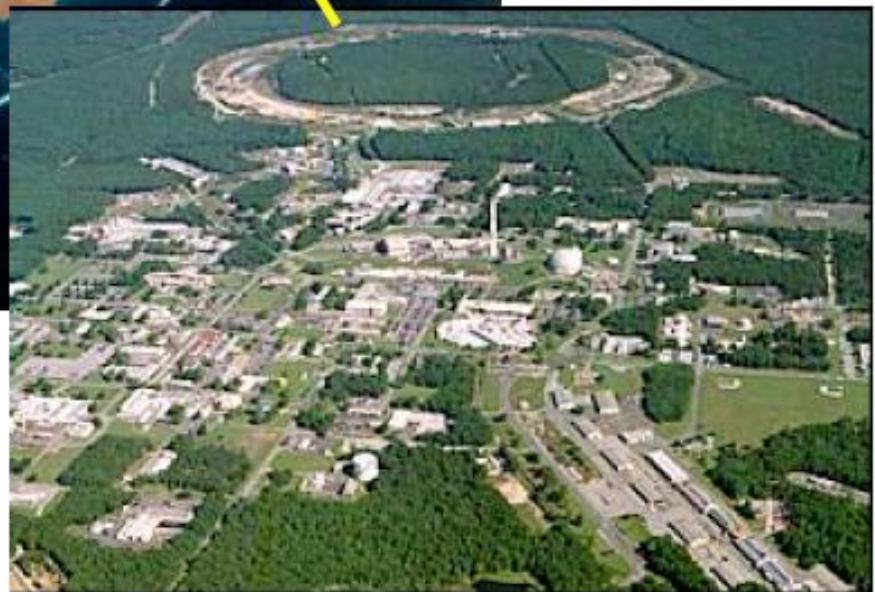
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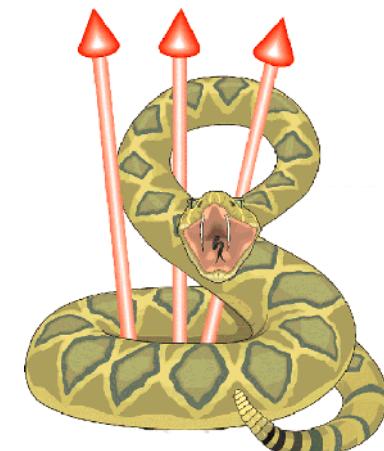
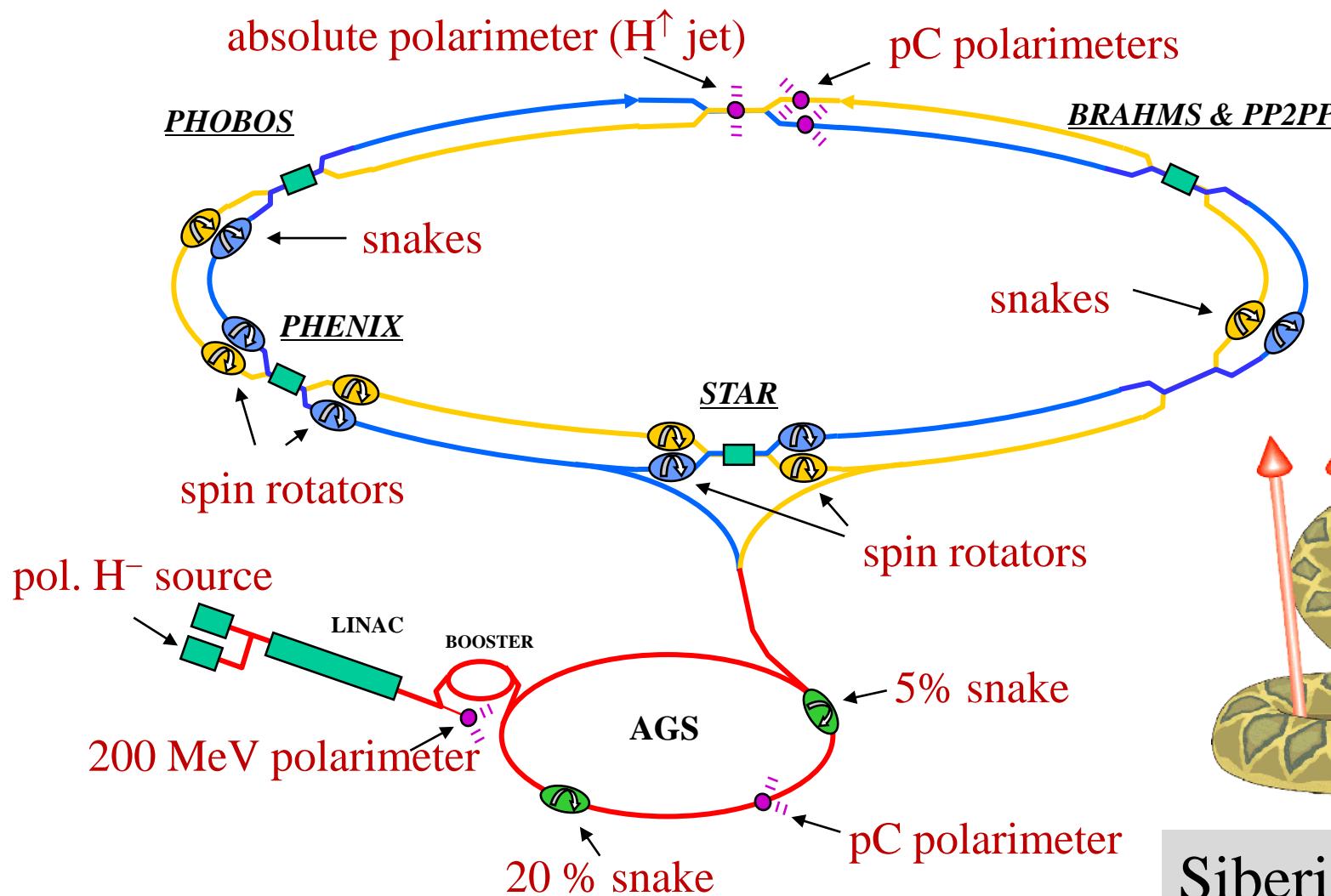
- Experimental status
  - RHIC pp data
  - transverse asymmetries
- Excursion: pion polarisability



# RHIC pp

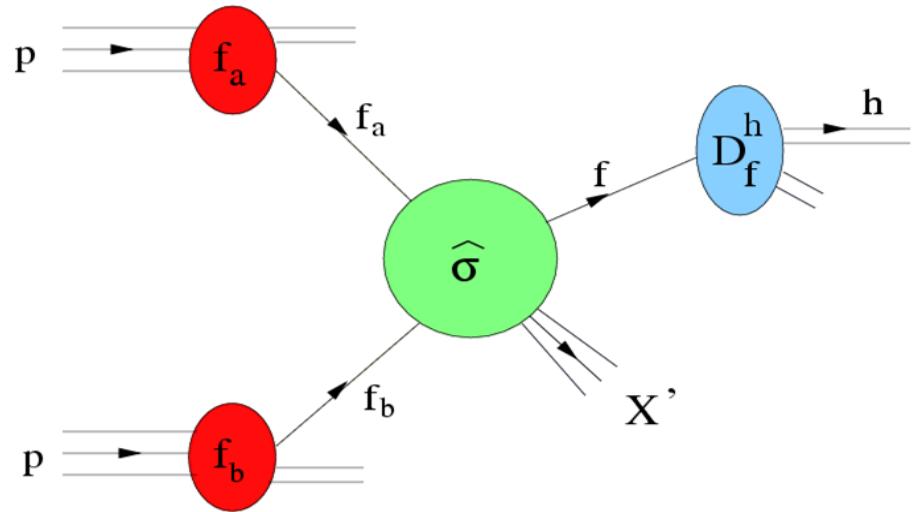
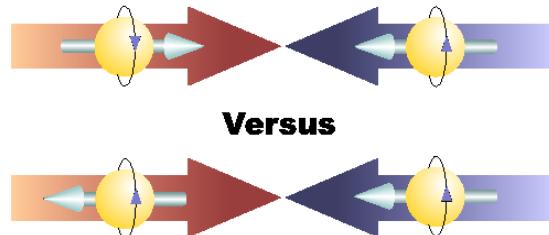


# RHIC polarised $p\bar{p}$ Collider

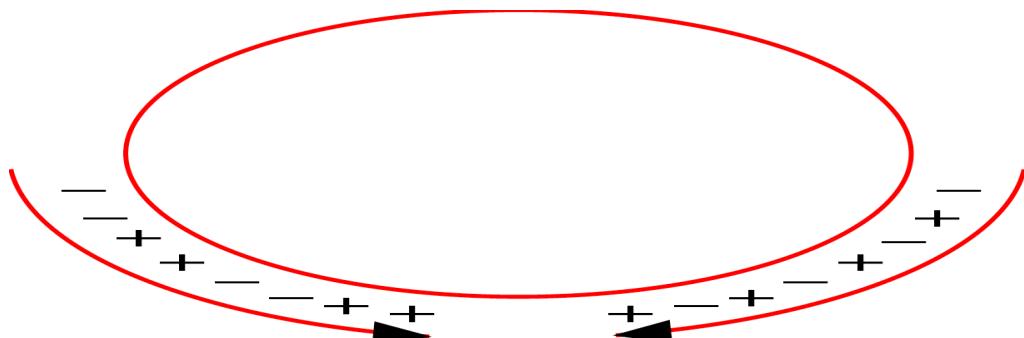


Siberian Snake

# $\vec{p}\vec{p}$ collisions



polarisation  $\sim 45\%$  in 2005  
 $\sim 60\%$  in 2006

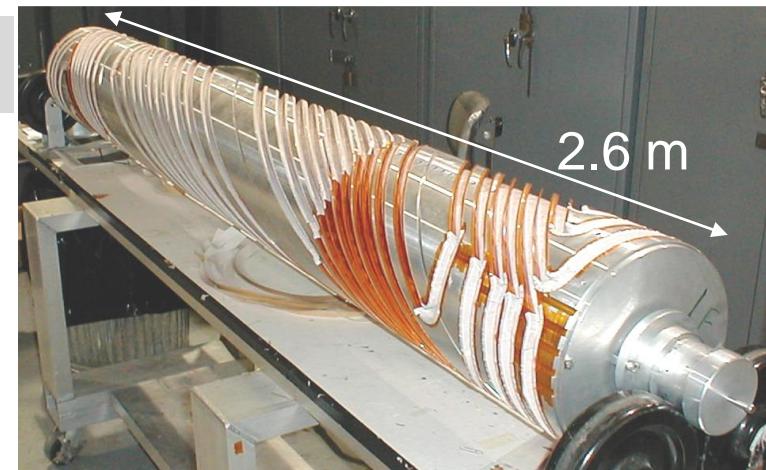


$$A_{LL} = \frac{\sigma_{++} - \sigma_{+-}}{\sigma_{++} + \sigma_{+-}}$$

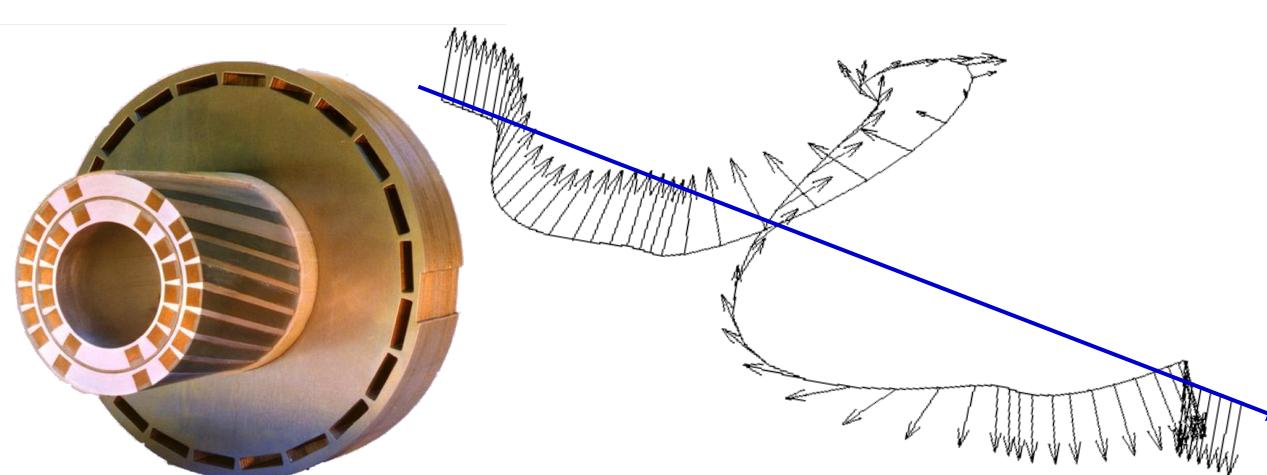
# Siberian Snakes (helical dipoles)

from Th. Roser

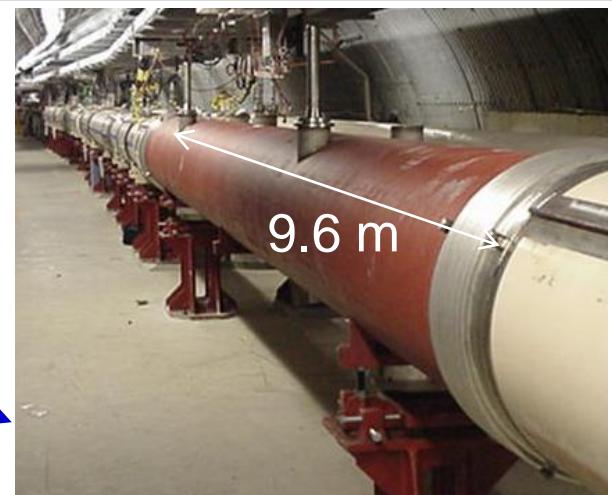
AGS partial snakes, 1.5T (RT) & 3T(SC)



RHIC full Siberian Snakes: 4 x 4 T (SC), each 2.4



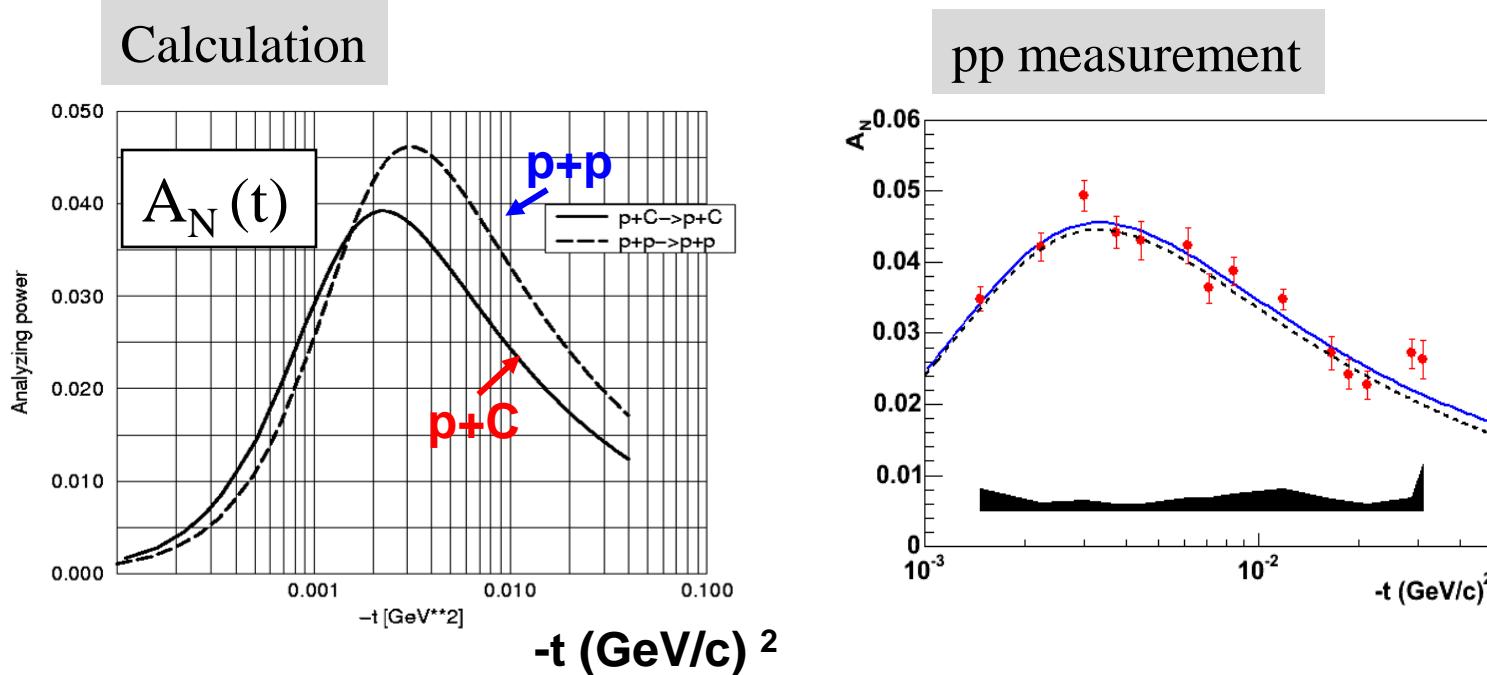
w/o: 1000 depolarising resonances



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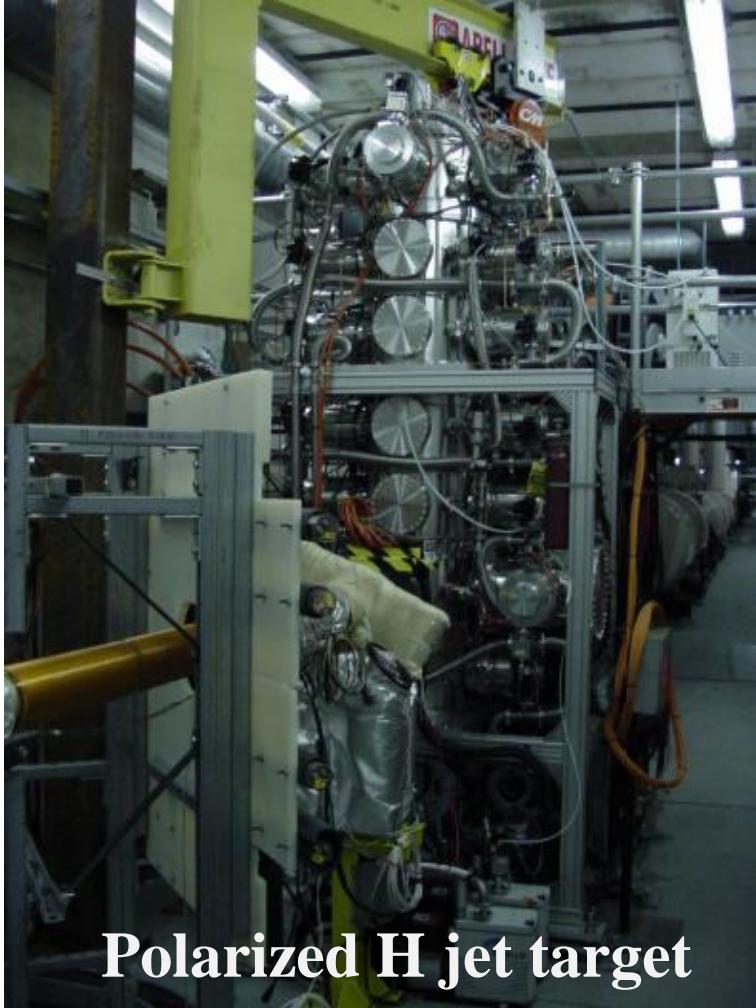
# Polarimetry

- left-right asymmetry  $A_N$  in elastic  $p^\uparrow p$  and  $p^\uparrow C$  scattering
- interference of em and nuclear spin-flip amplitude, Coulomb–Nuclear Interference (CNI), up to 4.5 %
- self calibration with polarised H jet target

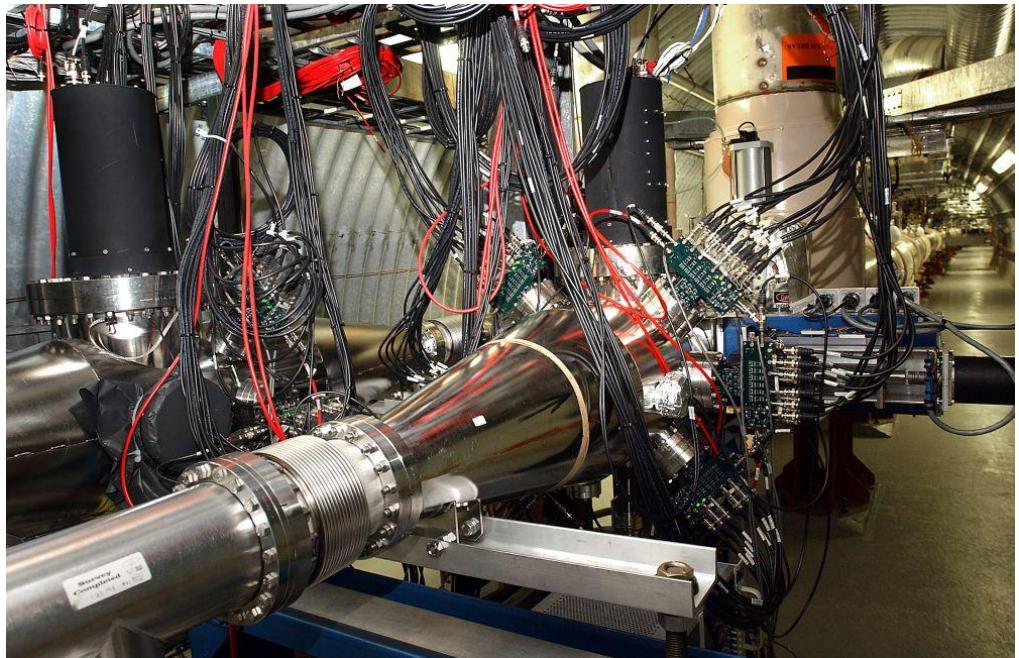


# RHIC polarimeters

from G. Bunce



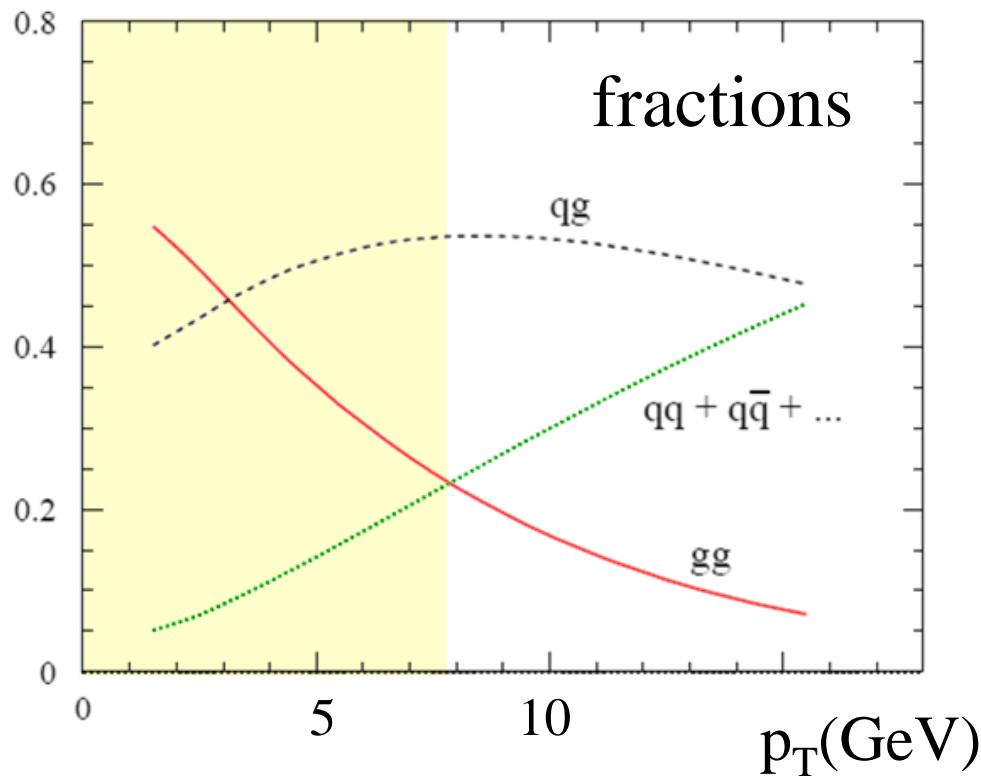
**Carbon target polarimeters**  
**3 $\mu$ m carbon ribbon**  
**every 2h,  $\Delta p/p < 5\%$**   
**calibration with H-jet target**



# $qg - qq - gg$ processes



upgrade



present energy:  
100 on 100 GeV

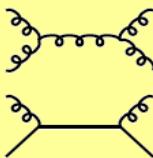
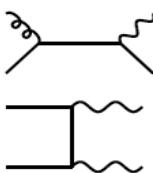
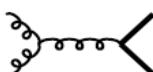
$gg$  processes dominate  
 $\propto \Delta g^2$

sign ambiguity

# pp: NLO Calculations

In better shape than semi-inclusive DIS:

$\pi$   
jet  
 $\gamma$

Reaction	Dom. partonic process	probes	LO Feynman diagram
$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \pi + X$ [61, 62]	$\bar{g}\bar{g} \rightarrow gg$ $\bar{q}\bar{g} \rightarrow qg$	$\Delta g$	
$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \text{jet(s)} + X$ [71, 72]	$\bar{g}\bar{g} \rightarrow gg$ $\bar{q}\bar{g} \rightarrow qg$	$\Delta g$	(as above)
$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \gamma + X$ $\bar{p}p \rightarrow \gamma + \text{jet} + X$	$\bar{q}\bar{g} \rightarrow \gamma q$ $\bar{q}\bar{g} \rightarrow \gamma q$	$\Delta g$ $\Delta g$	
$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \gamma\gamma + X$ [67, 73, 74, 75, 76]	$\bar{q}\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	$\Delta q, \Delta \bar{q}$	
$\bar{p}p \rightarrow DX, BX$ [77]	$\bar{g}\bar{g} \rightarrow c\bar{c}, b\bar{b}$	$\Delta g$	

Jäger, Schäfer, Stratmann,  
Vogelsang; de Florian

Jäger, Stratmann,  
Vogelsang;  
Signer et al.

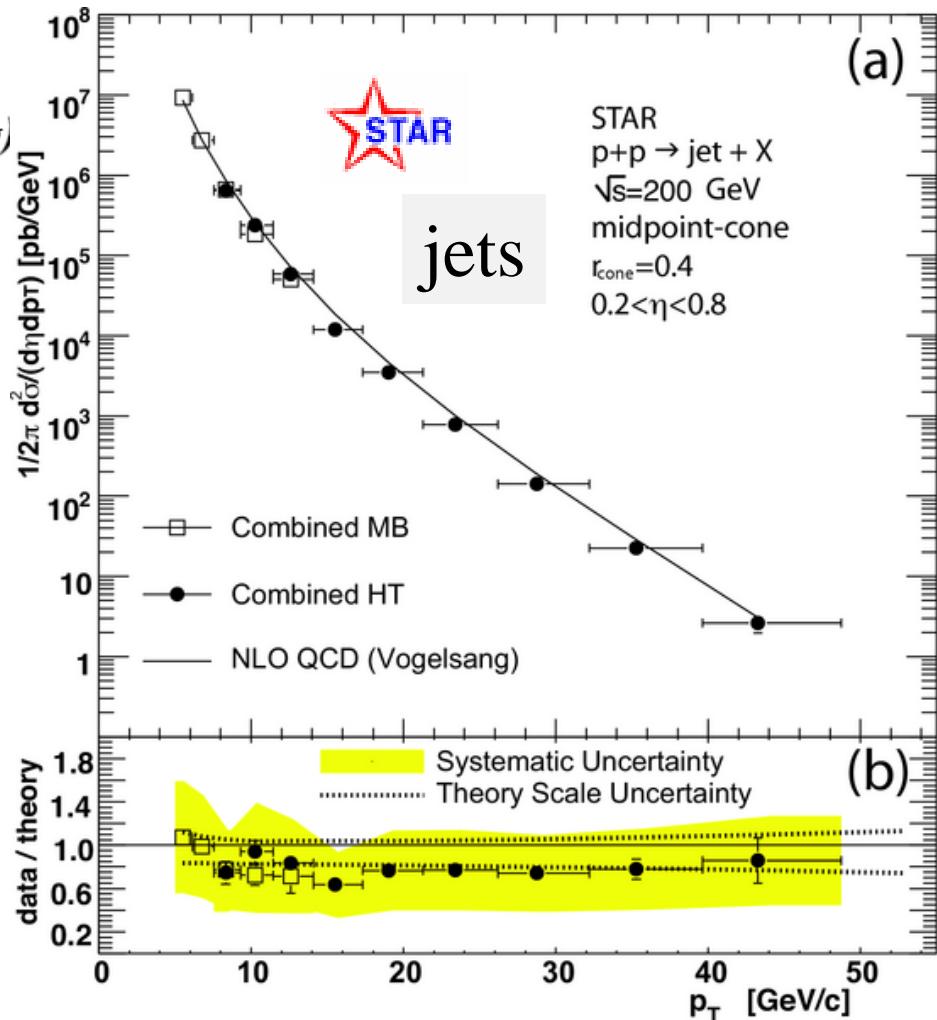
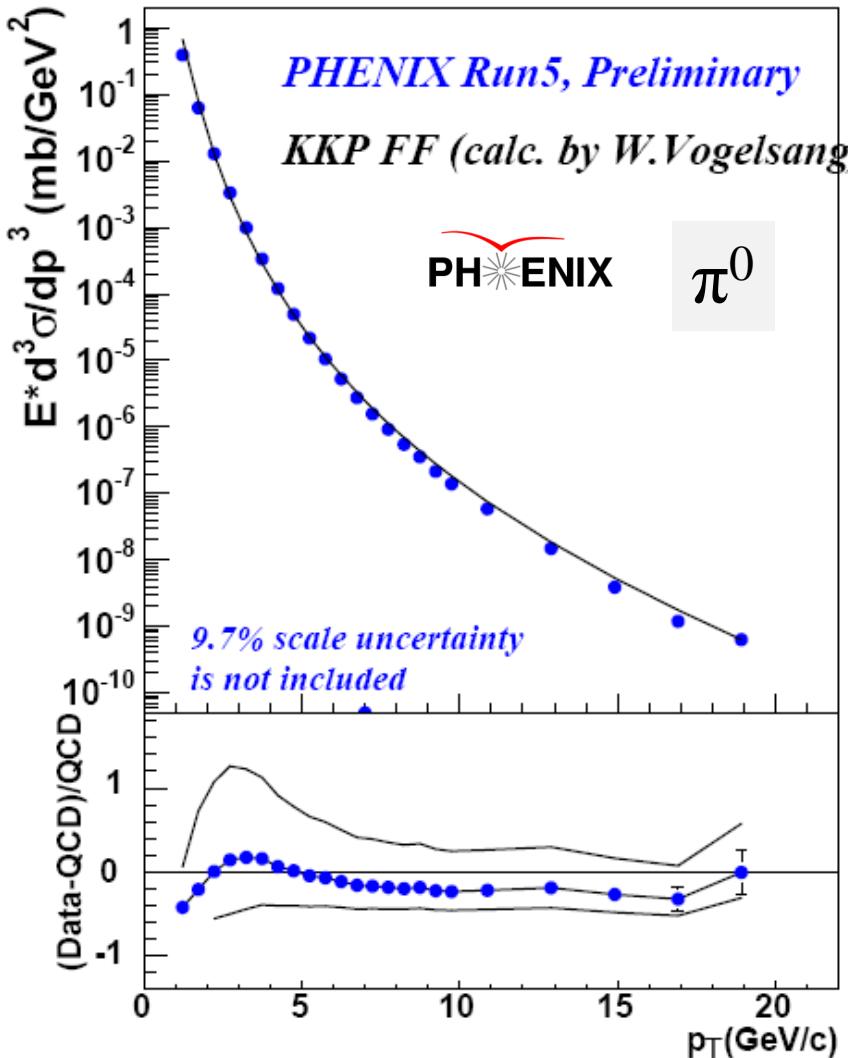
Gordon, Vogelsang;  
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Gordon, Coriano

Bojak, Stratmann

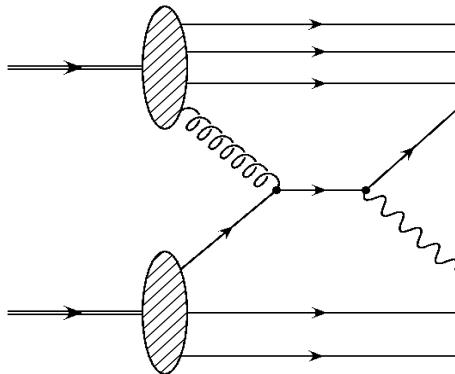
Summary by Stratmann, DIS2006



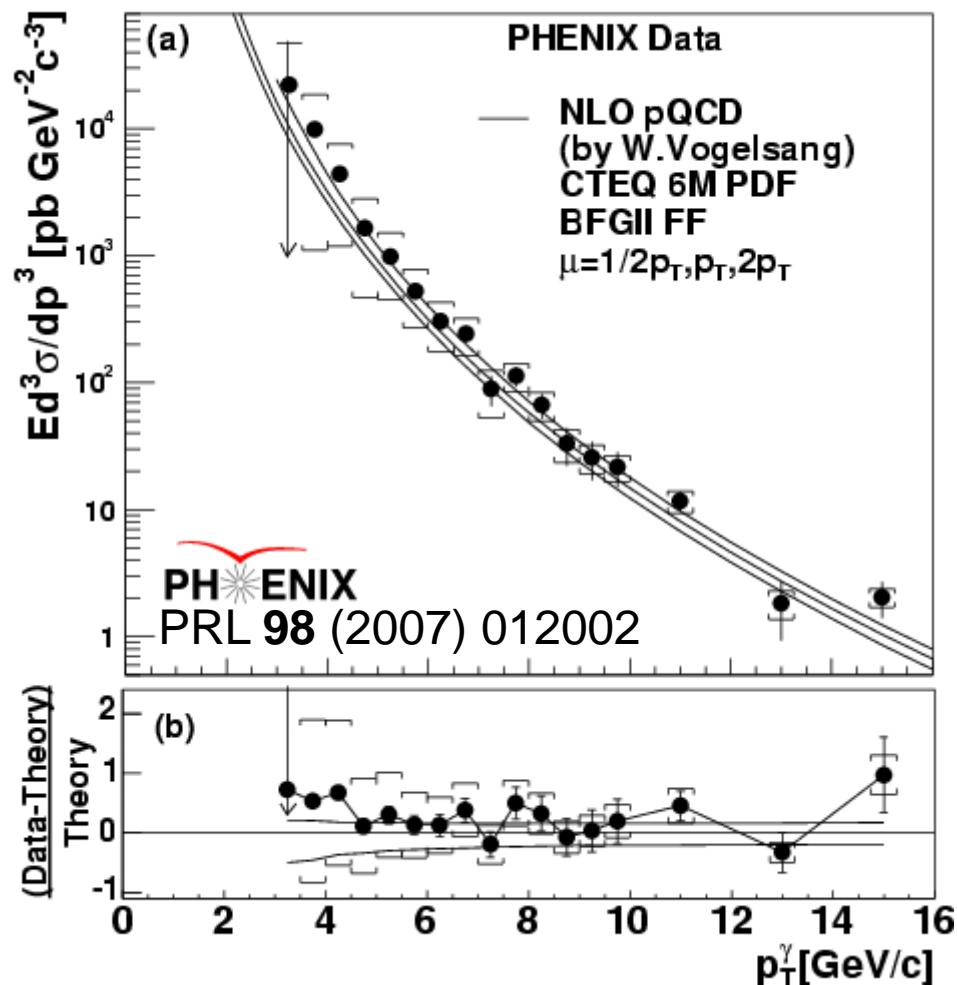
# NLO vs data (unpol)



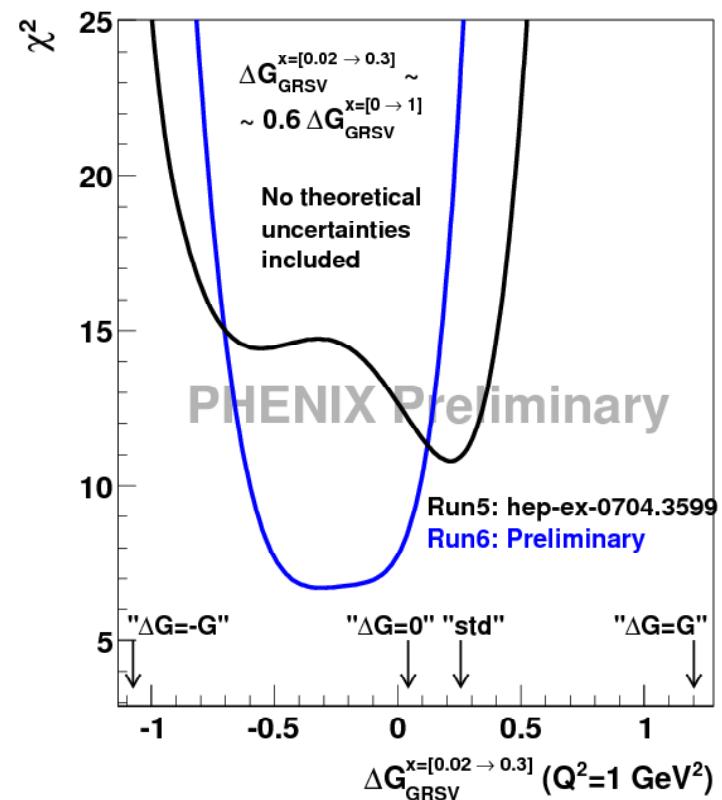
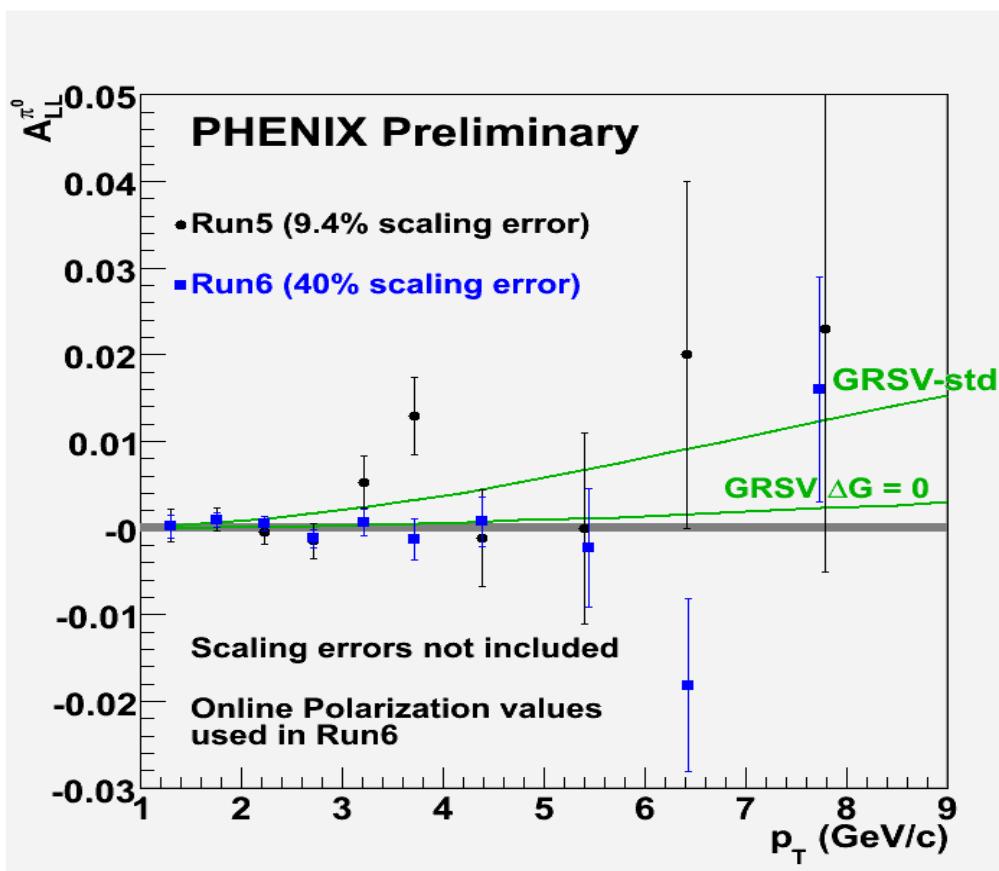
# Direct photons



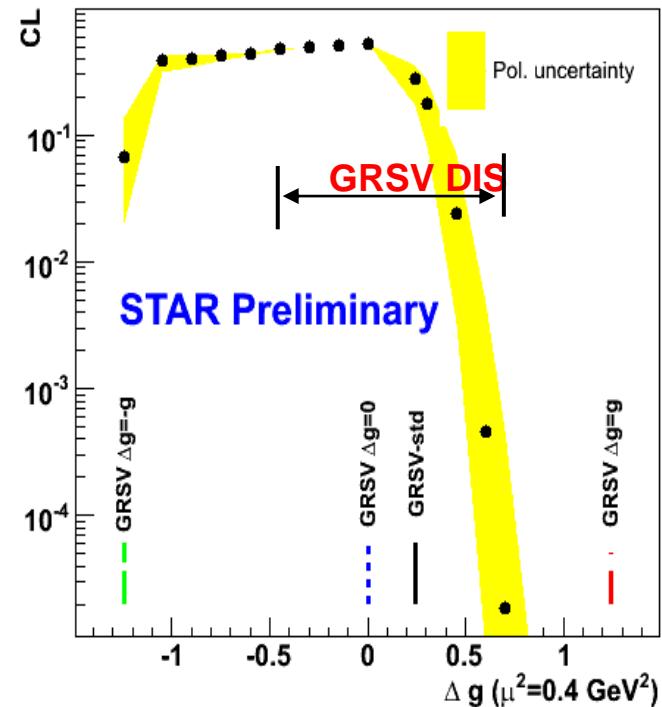
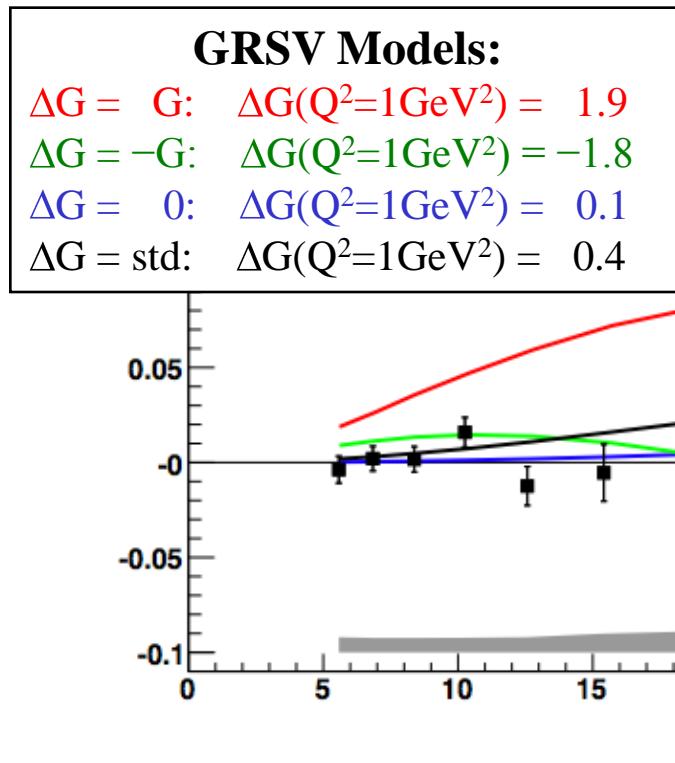
- good agreement of calc. and data at collider energies



# Phenix $\pi^0$ asymmetries



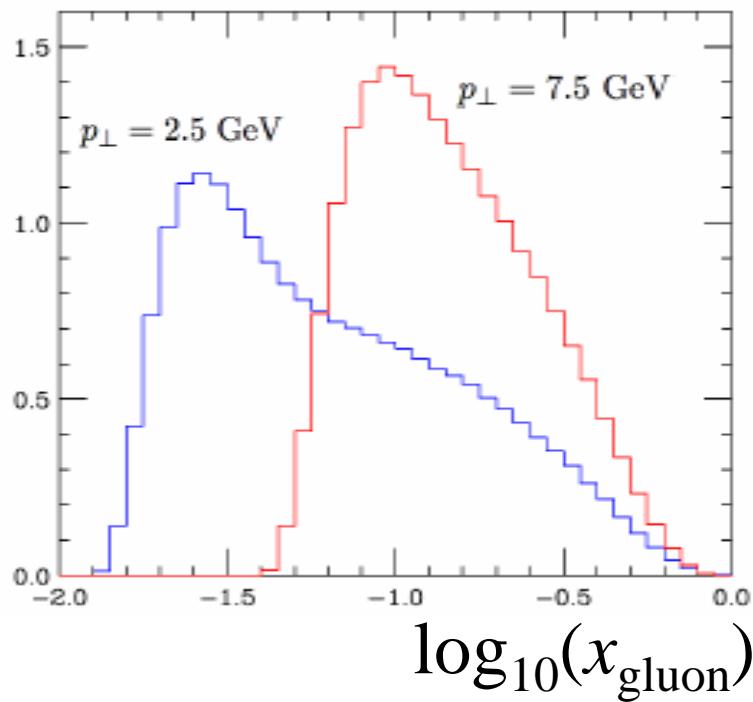
# STAR jet asymmetries



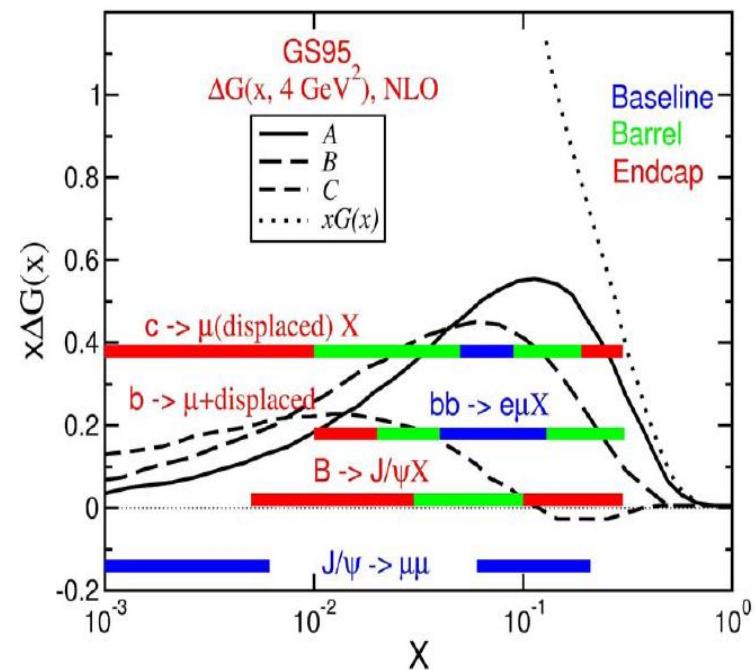
- Phenix/Star  $\chi^2$ -tests for fixed GRSV shape, not (yet) conclusive for  $\Delta G$ ; no refit of the PDF parameters

# Probed $x$ -Bjorken range

$\pi^0$  production

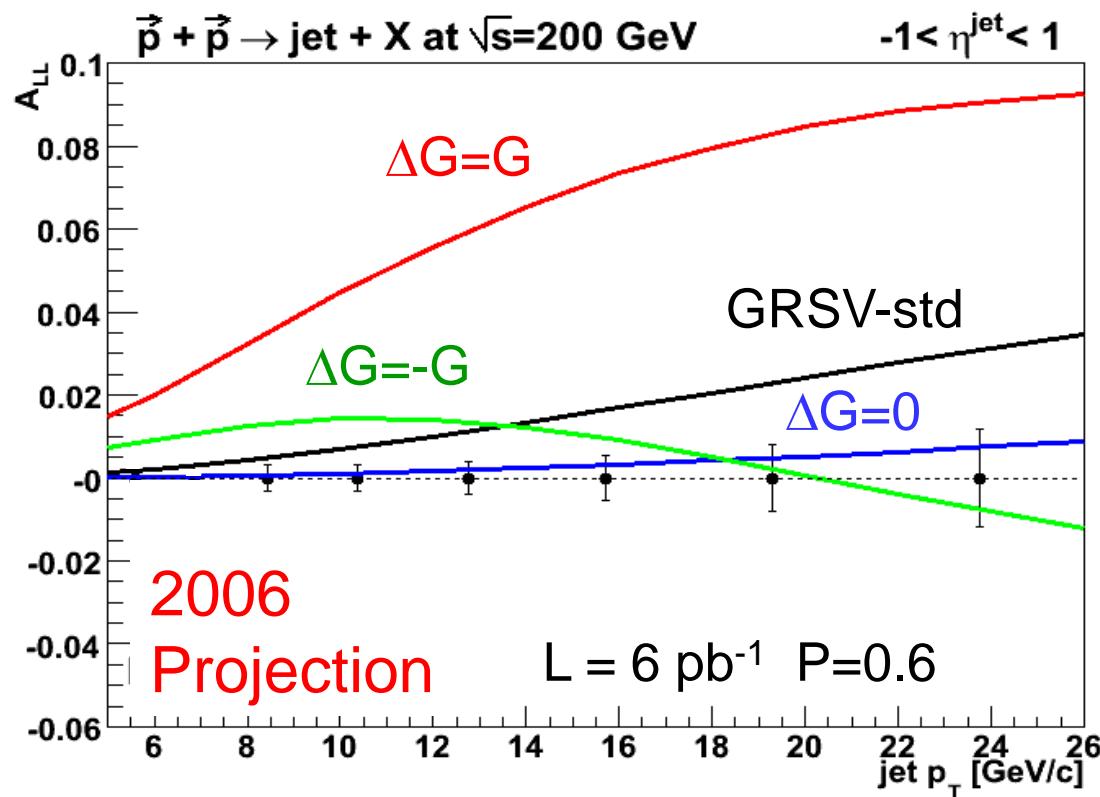


detector upgrades (Phenix)



# STAR jet asymmetries 2006

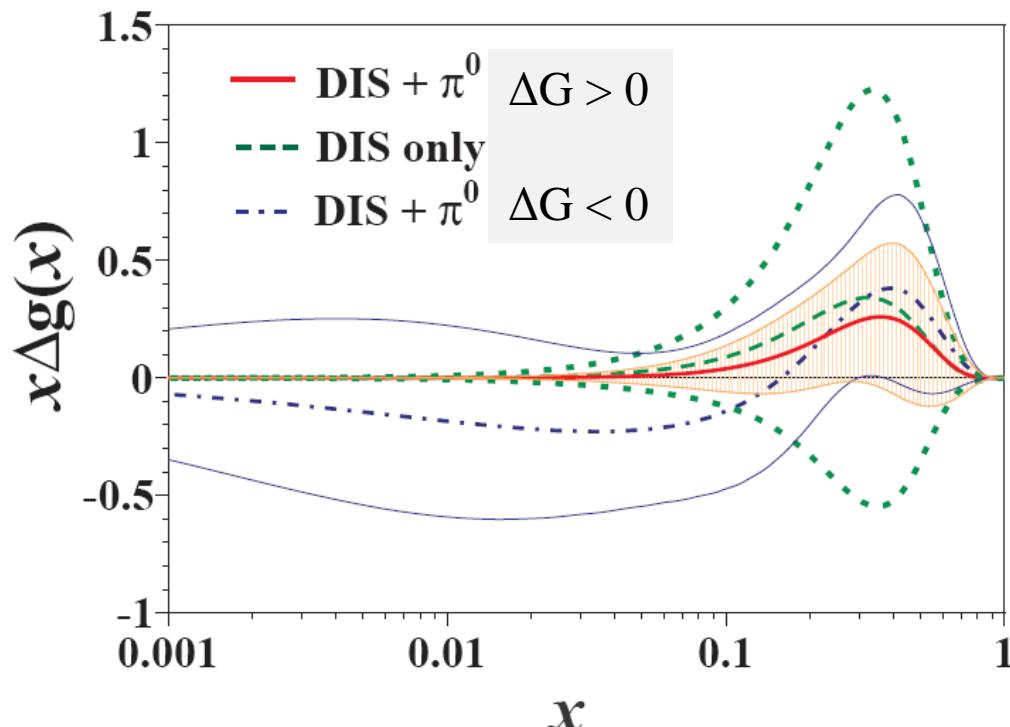
projected precision!



□

# Global analysis

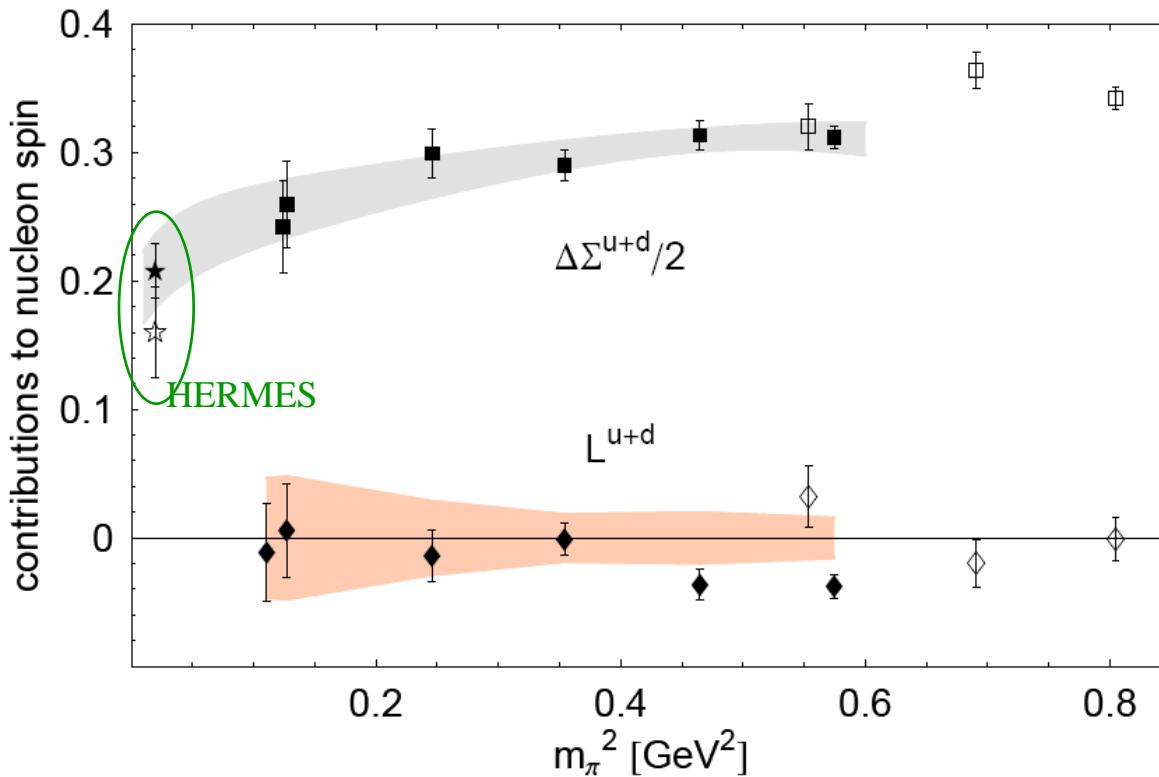
- need global analysis of all data relevant for  $\Delta g$ : DIS, hadron pairs, charm, pp  $\pi$  and jets (direct  $\gamma$ , ...)
- first attempt AAC2006



# Lattice results

$$\Delta\Sigma_{u+d}^{\text{lat}} = 0.50(5) \text{ @ } m_\pi \approx 350 \text{ MeV}; \ L_u + L_d \approx 0$$

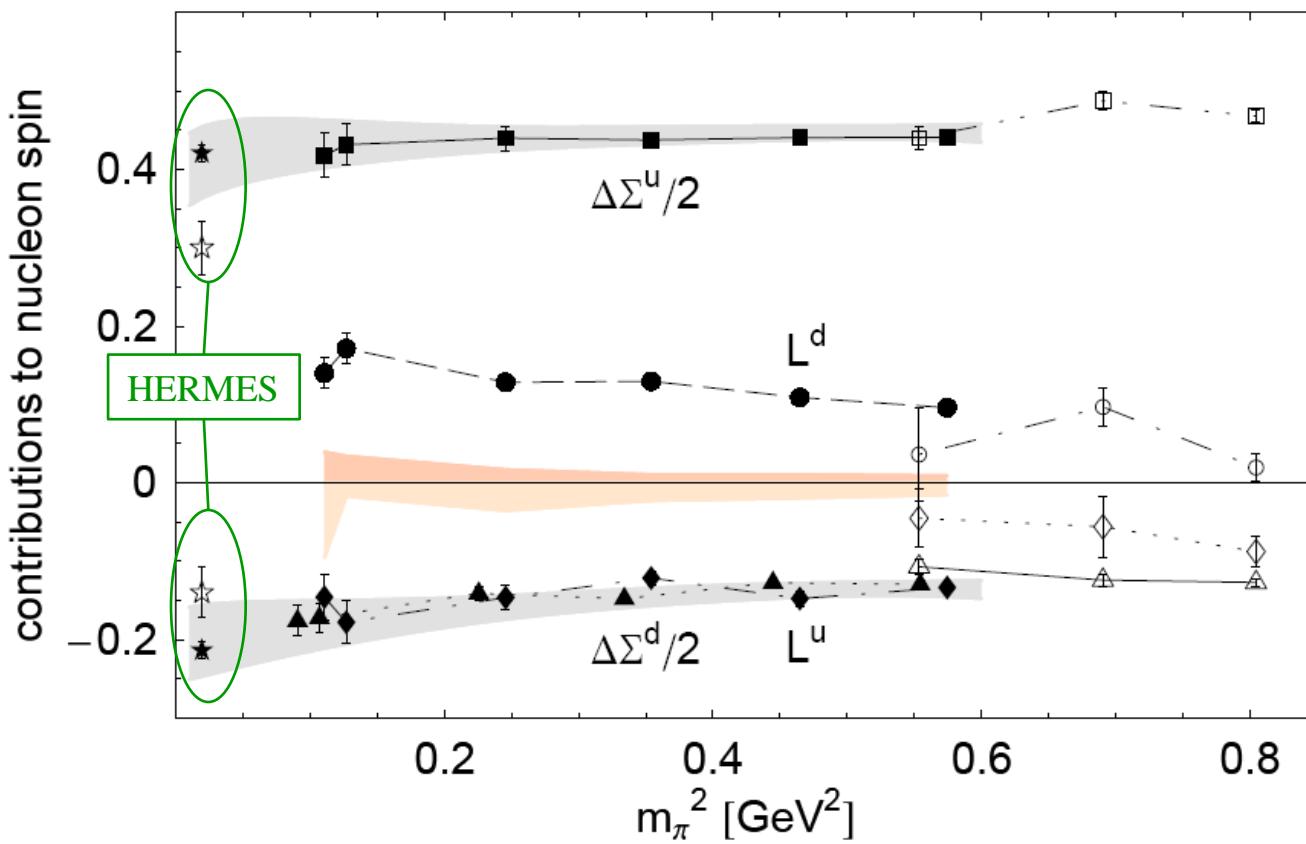
chiral extrapolation to physical pion mass  $m_\pi$



# Lattice results

extrapolated to phys.  $m_\pi$ :

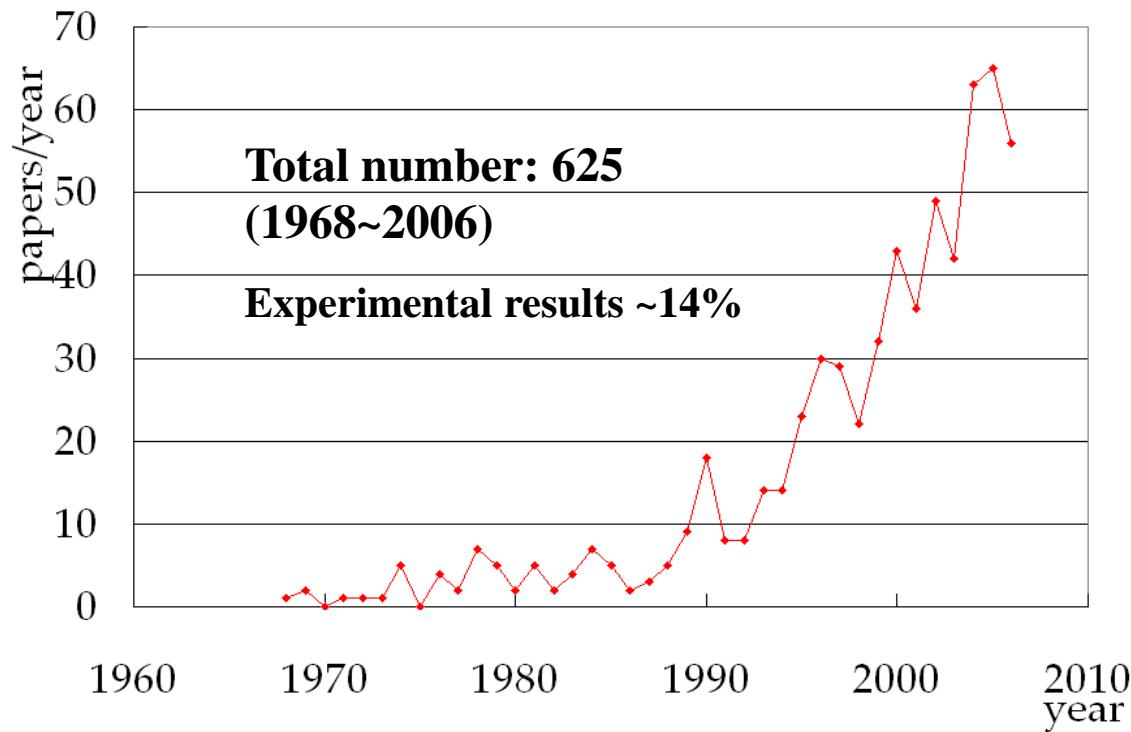
$$J_q^u \approx 0.22 \pm 0.02, J_q^d \approx 0 \pm 0.02$$
$$L^u \approx 0.2, L^d \approx -0.2$$



# Transverse spin effects

SPIRES-HEP: search title including:  
“Transverse spin, Transversity, single spin”

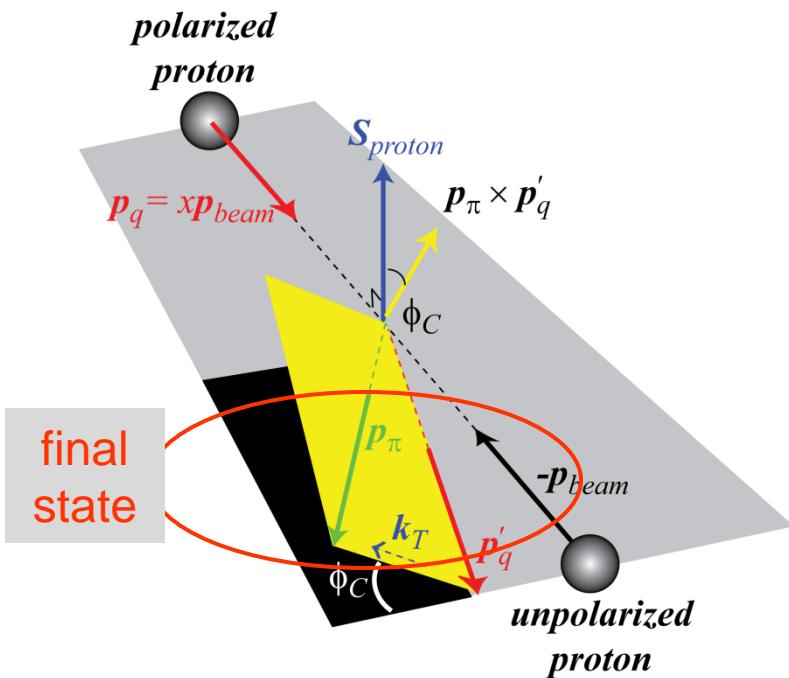
from L. Bland



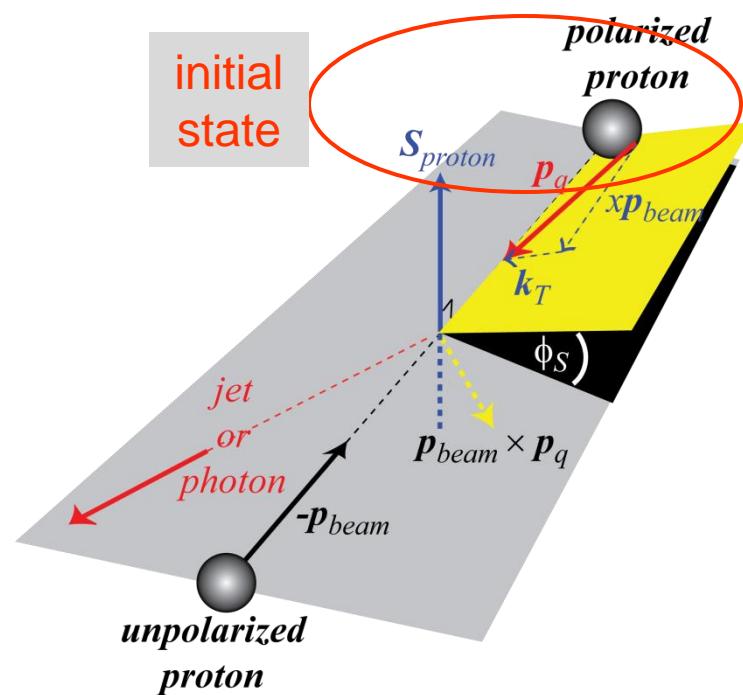
# Origin of single-spin asymmetries

from L. Bland

**Collins/Heppelmann mechanism** requires  
*transverse quark polarization*  
and *spin-dependent fragmentation*

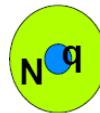


**Sivers mechanism** requires *spin-correlated transverse momentum  $k_T$*  in the proton (orbital motion).

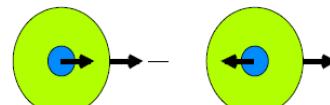


# Transversity

$q, g$



$\Delta q, \Delta g$



$\Delta_T q$

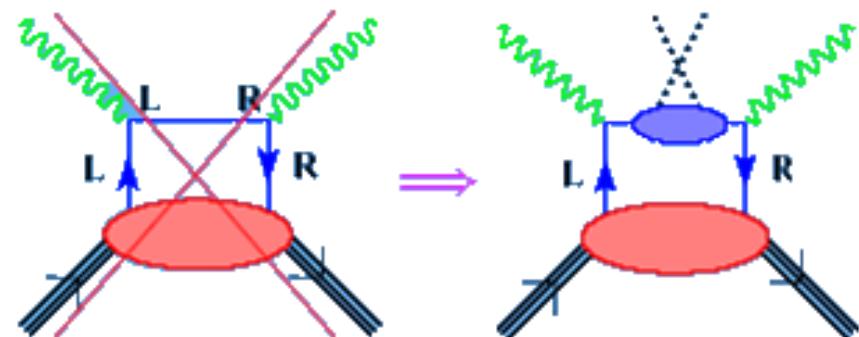


momentum

helicity

transversity (alias  $h_1$ )

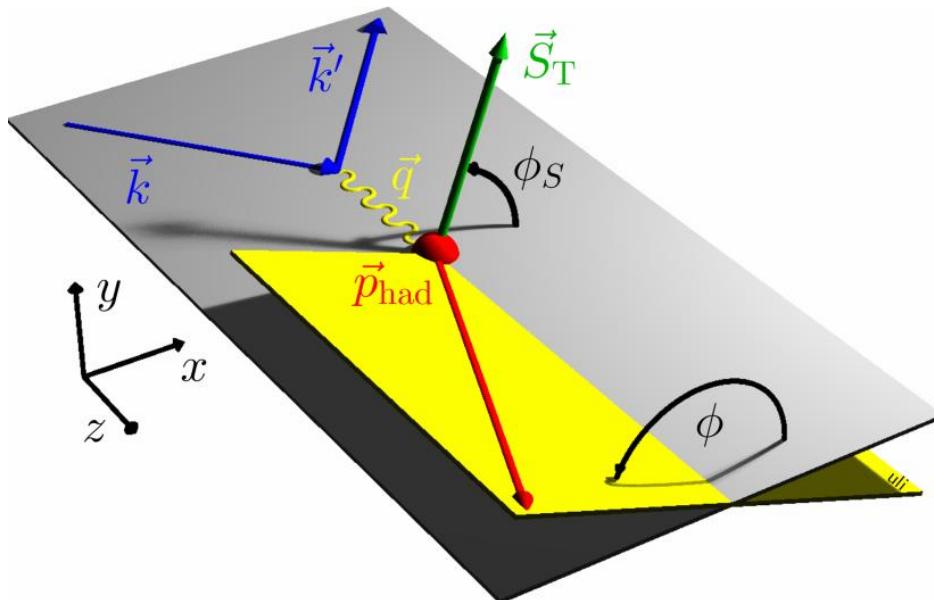
- 3 fundamental twist-2 PDFs, new transversity  $\Delta_T q(x)$
- non-relativistic  $\Delta_T q = g_1$
- chiral-odd PDF  $\rightarrow$  not seen in DIS
- semi-inclusive DIS allowed if coupled to a chiral-odd FF
- Soffer bound:  $2|\Delta_T q| \leq q + \Delta q$



# Transversity

single-spin asymmetry:

$$A_T^h = \frac{\sigma^\uparrow - \sigma^\downarrow}{\sigma^\uparrow + \sigma^\downarrow} \propto \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 \Delta_T q(x) \Delta_T^0 D_q^h(z)}{\sum_q e_q^2 q(x) D_q^h(z)} \sin(\phi_S + \phi)$$



Chiral-odd Collins FF:

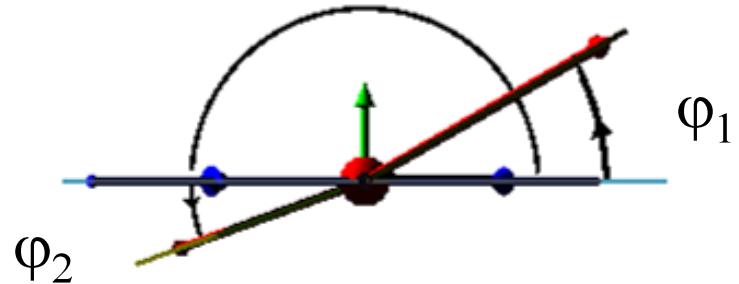
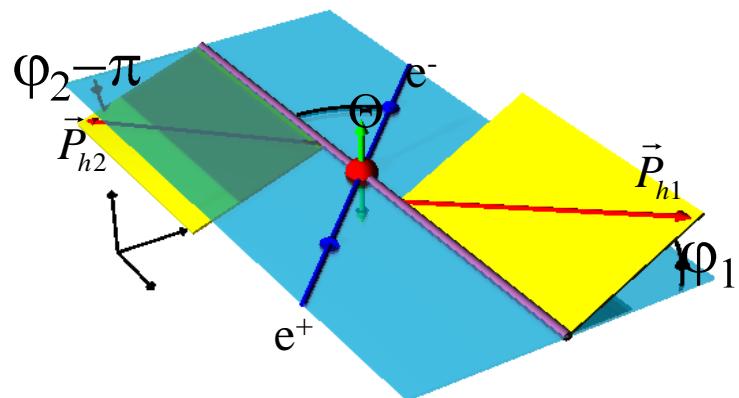
$$\Delta_T^0 D_q^h(z) \neq 0?$$

# Fragmentation functions from

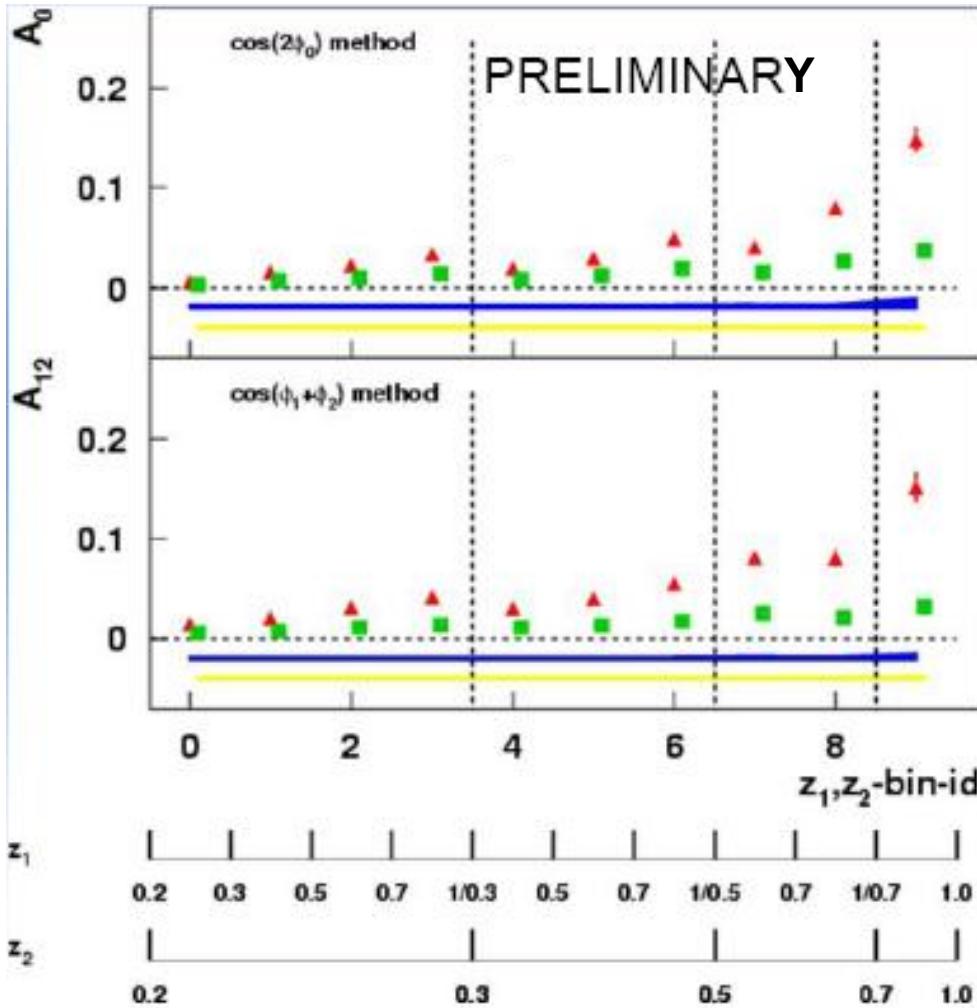


KEKB  $e^+e^-$  coll. 3.5+8 GeV  
 $L > 1.6 \times 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  !

correlation of hadron  
azimuthal angles



# Collins asymmetries from $e^+e^-$



$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \pi\pi X (547 \text{ fb}^{-1})$

- first direct measurement of the Collins function
- rising with  $z$
- **UC** unlike sign/all
- **UL** unlike sign/like sign
- different mix of favoured and unfavoured FF
- **UC** asymmetries about 40–50% of **UL** asymmetries

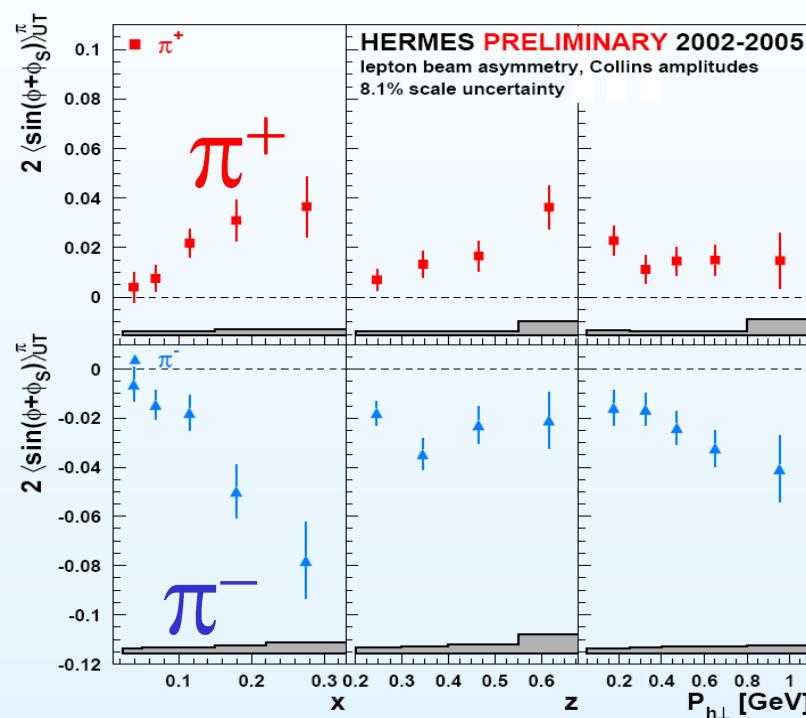
M. Grosse Perdekamp et al.

Obergurgl, October 2007

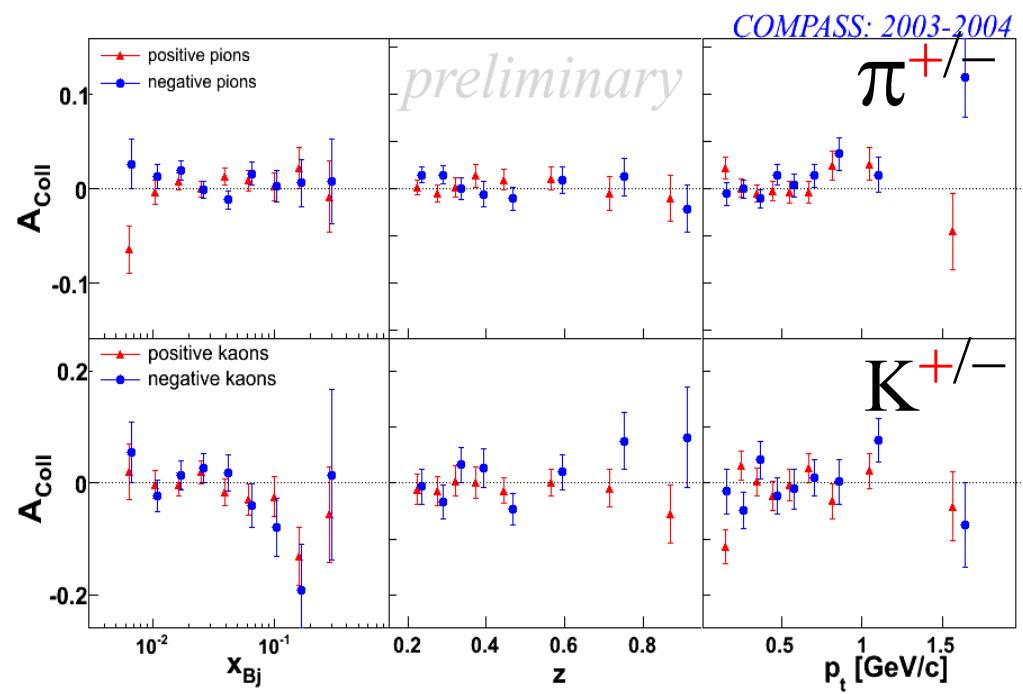
# Collins asymmetries



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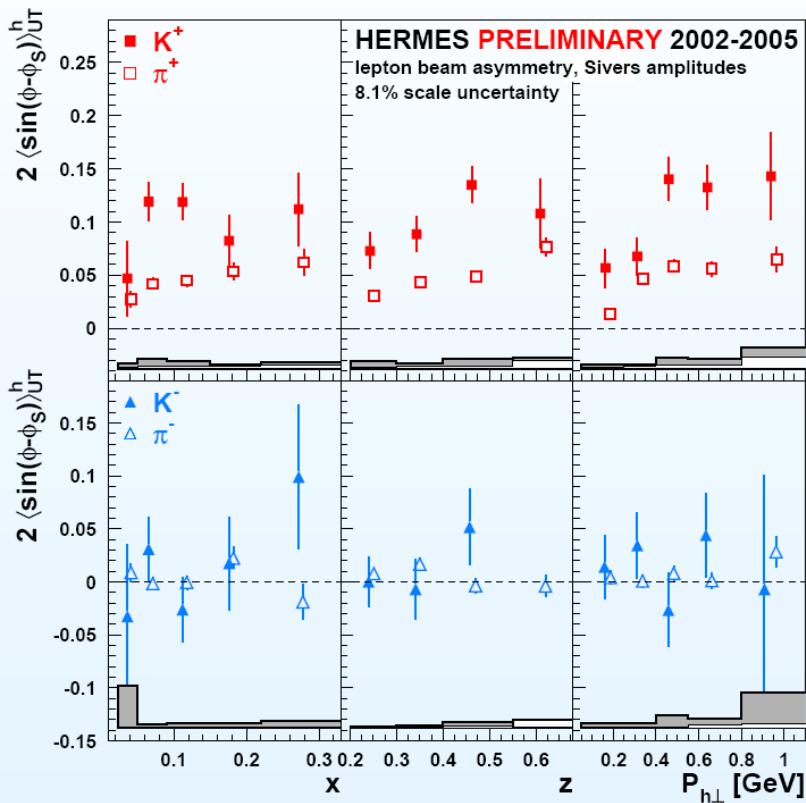


COMPASS: deuteron

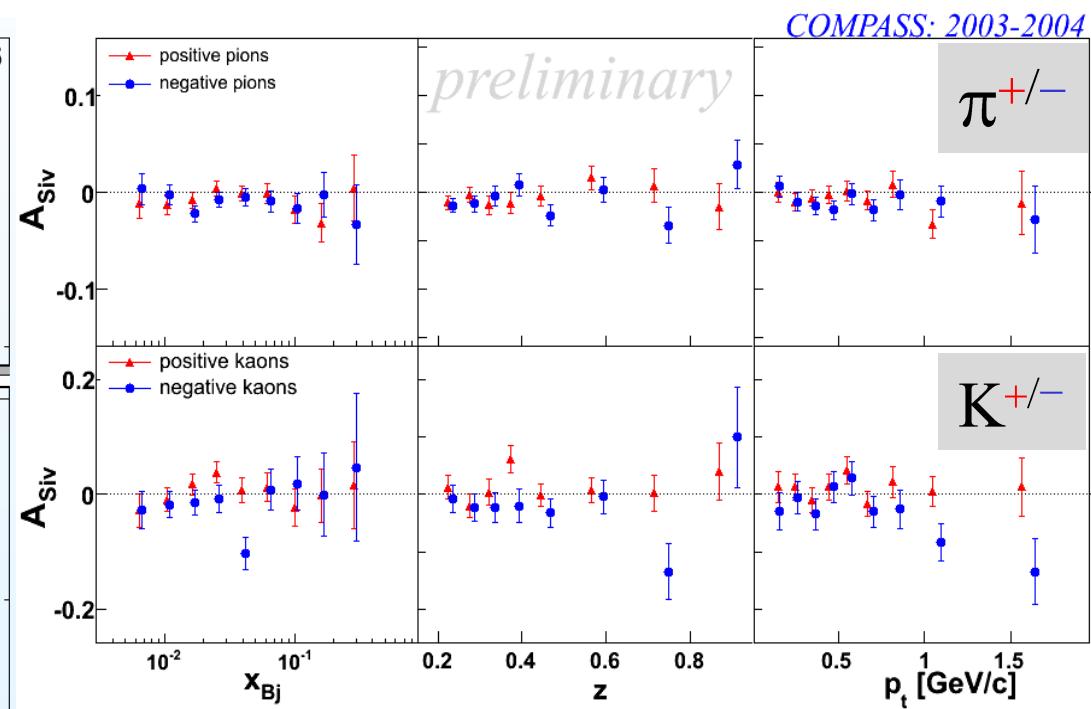


# Sivers asymmetries

Hermes: proton

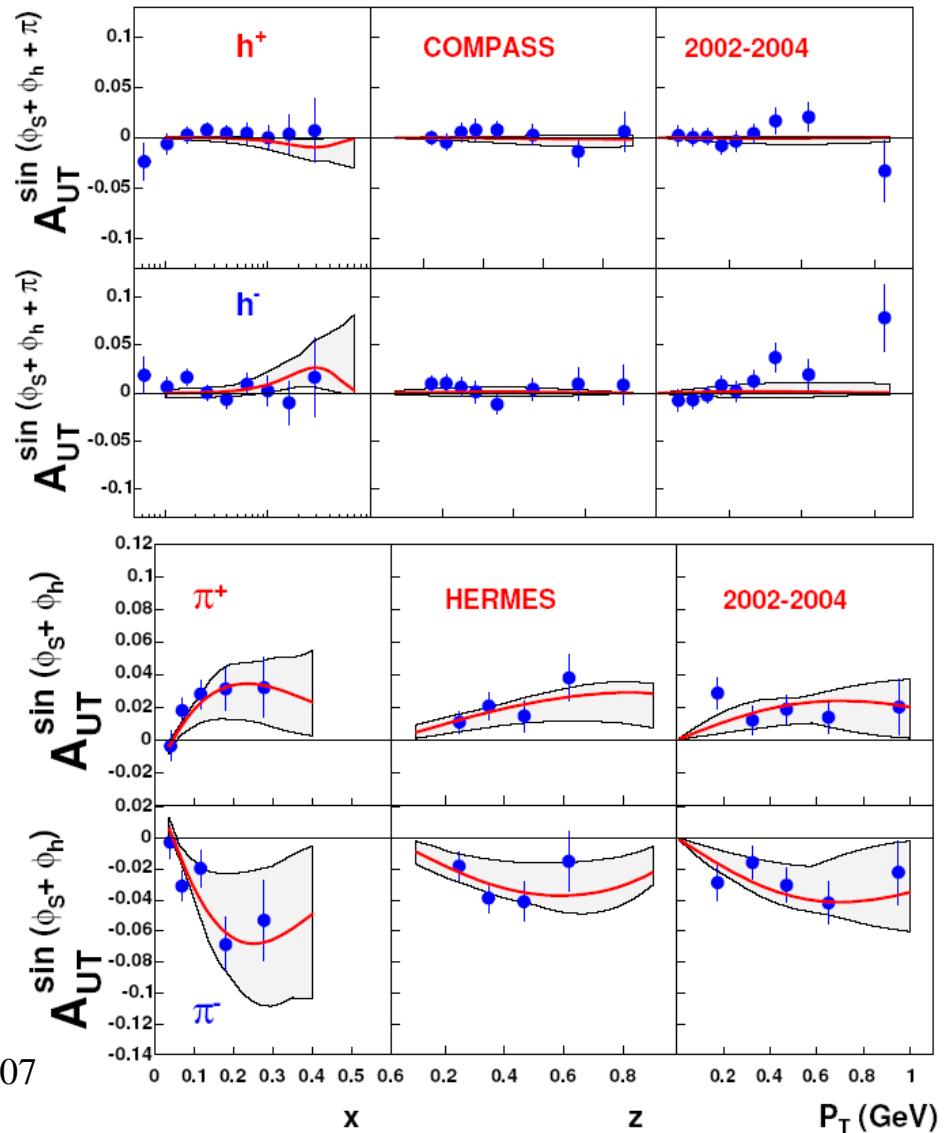
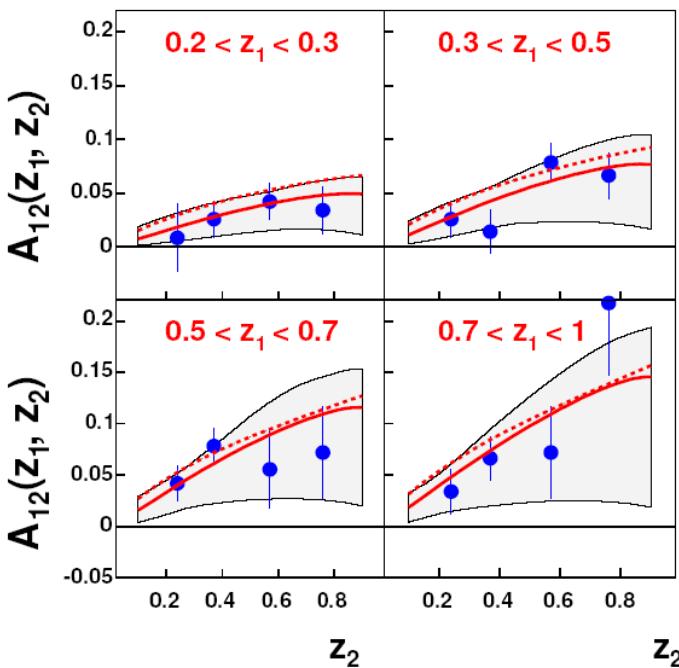


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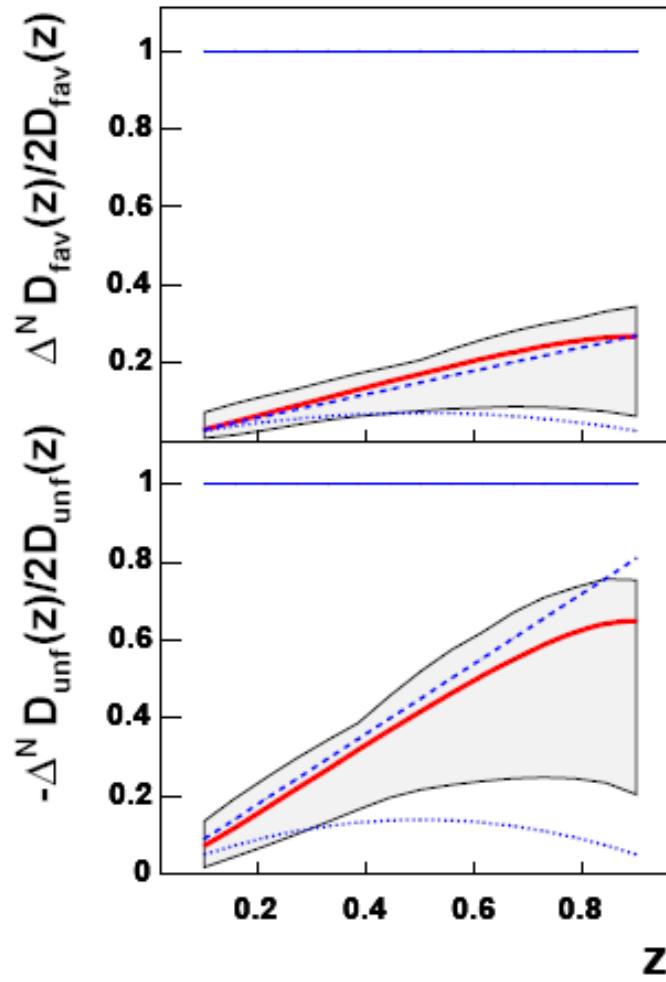
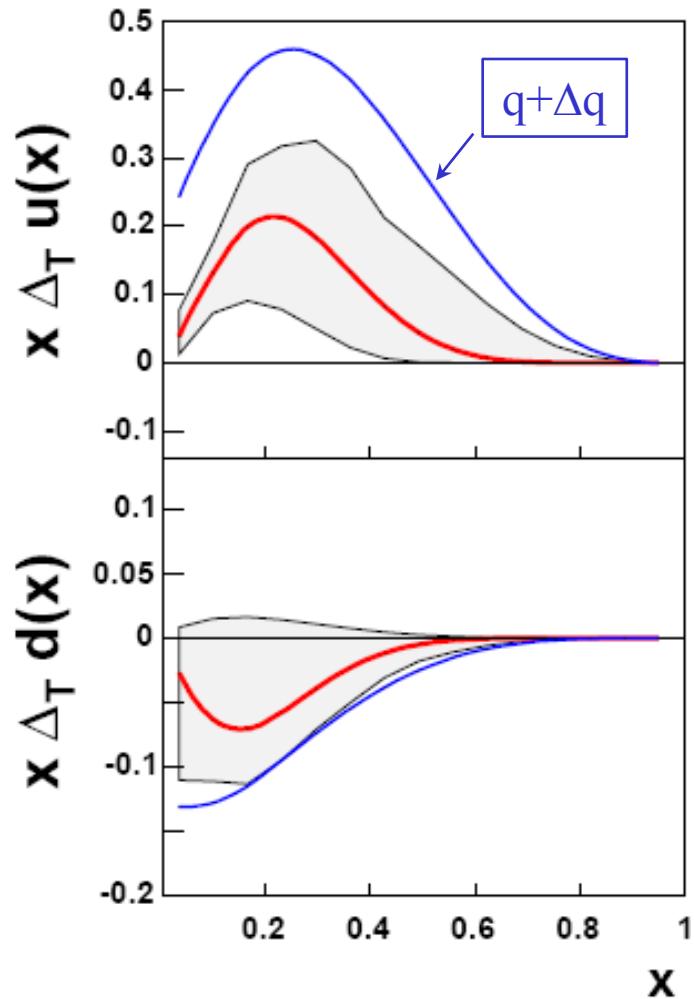


# towards transversity

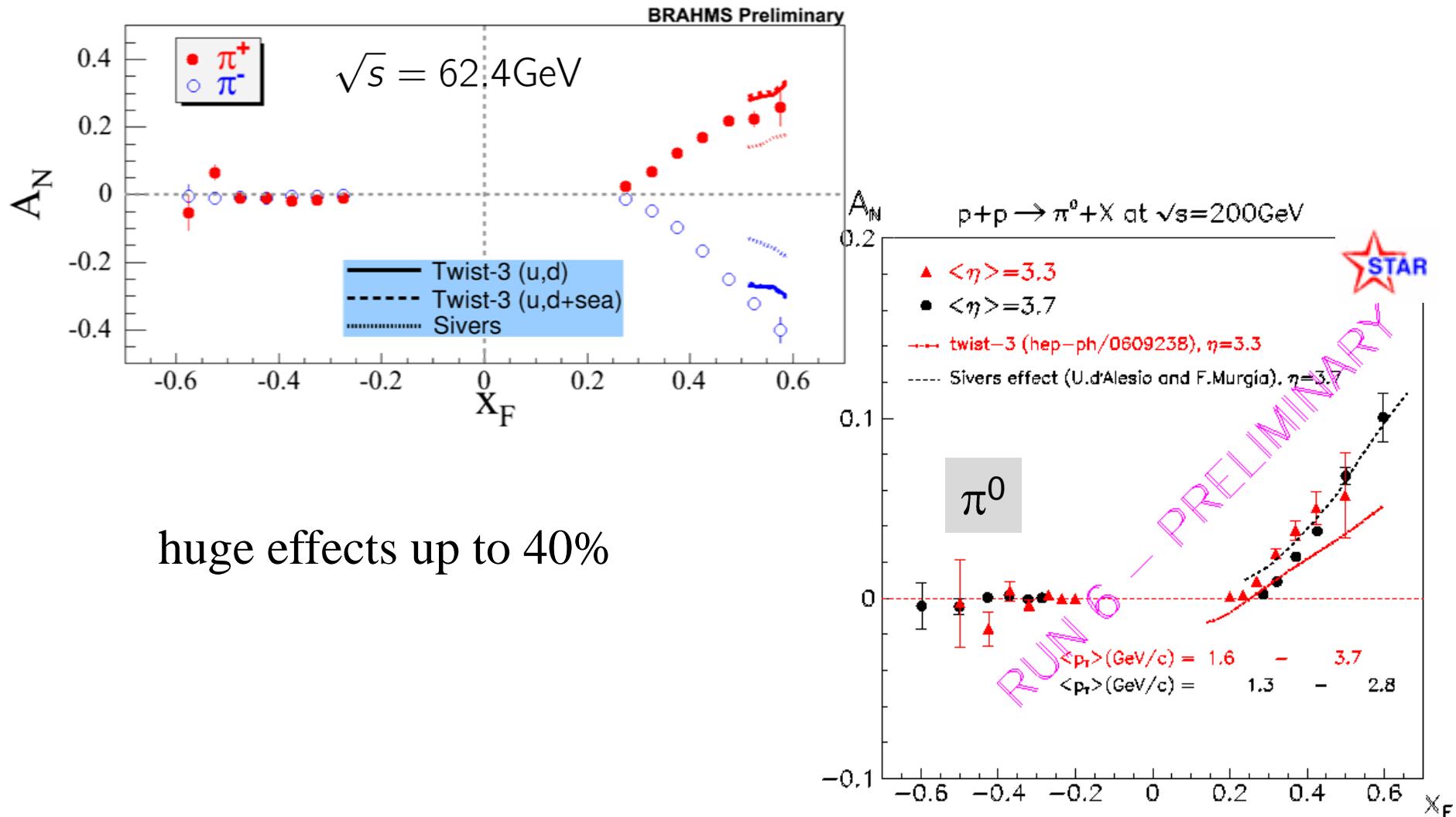
global fit of data to BELLE ( $FF$ ),  
HERMES, COMPASS ( $DF \times FF$ )



# A first glimpse of transversity



# Transverse spin effects @ RHIC

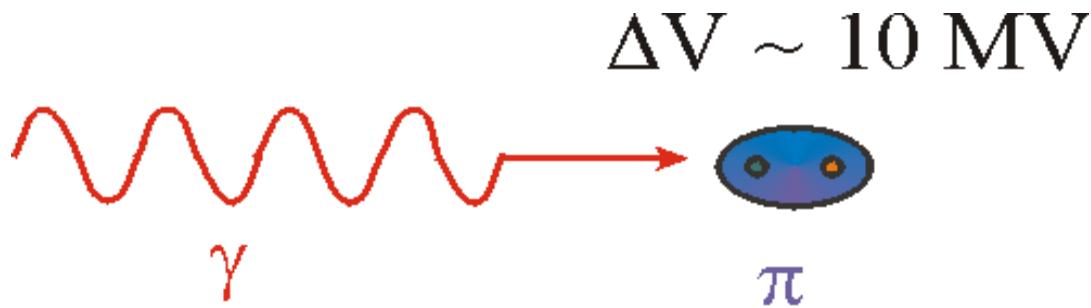


# Pion Polarisation



# Polarizabilities

- electric polarisability :  $\vec{d} = \alpha \vec{E}$
- magnetic polarisability :  $\vec{\mu} = \beta \vec{H}$



$\Delta V \sim 10 \text{ MV}$

Charges oscillate  $\sim 0.1\%$   $\pi$  radius

# Polarisability: a test of $\chi$ PT

- $\bar{\alpha}_\pi$  electrical ,  $\bar{\beta}_\pi$  magnetic polarisability

- $\chi$ PT: 
$$\bar{\alpha}_\pi \pm \bar{\beta}_\pi = \frac{\alpha}{16\pi^2 m_\pi f_\pi^2} \left\{ a_{\pm} + b_{\pm} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_\pi^2}{f_\pi^2}\right) \right\}$$

1 loop

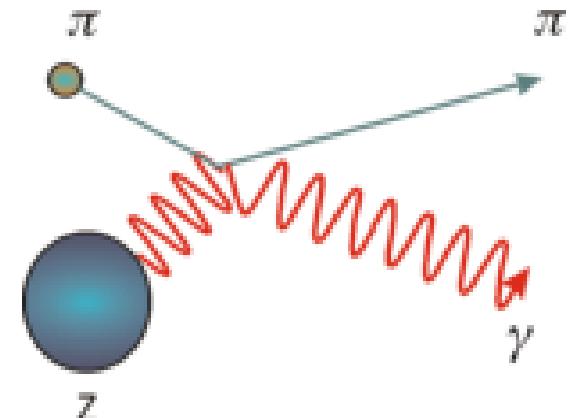
2 loop

- $a_+ = 0$ ,  $a_- \sim$  Low Energy Constant (LEC)

- $\chi$ PT: 
$$\bar{\alpha}_\pi + \bar{\beta}_\pi = (0.16 \pm 0.1) \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3$$
 = 0 at 1 loop  
$$\bar{\alpha}_\pi - \bar{\beta}_\pi = (5.7 \pm 1.0) \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3$$

# Polarisability: Primakoff

- measurable in Compton scatt.  
 $\gamma\pi \rightarrow \gamma\pi$
- Primakoff: inverse kinematics
- with  $\omega = E_\gamma / E_{\text{beam}}$  and  
 $\bar{\alpha}_\pi + \bar{\beta}_\pi = 0$



$$\frac{d\sigma_{\gamma\pi}^{\text{Prim}}}{d\omega} = \frac{d\sigma_{\gamma\pi}^{\text{Thomson}}}{d\omega} + \\ + \omega 4Z^2\alpha^2 m_\pi \bar{\beta}_\pi \left\{ \ln \frac{Q_{\max}^2}{Q_{\min}^2} - 3 + 4\sqrt{\frac{Q_{\max}^2}{Q_{\min}^2}} \right\}$$

where  $Q_{\min}^2 = \frac{m_\pi^2}{2E_{\text{beam}}} \frac{\omega}{1-\omega}$ ,  $Q_{\max}^2$  depends on analysis cuts

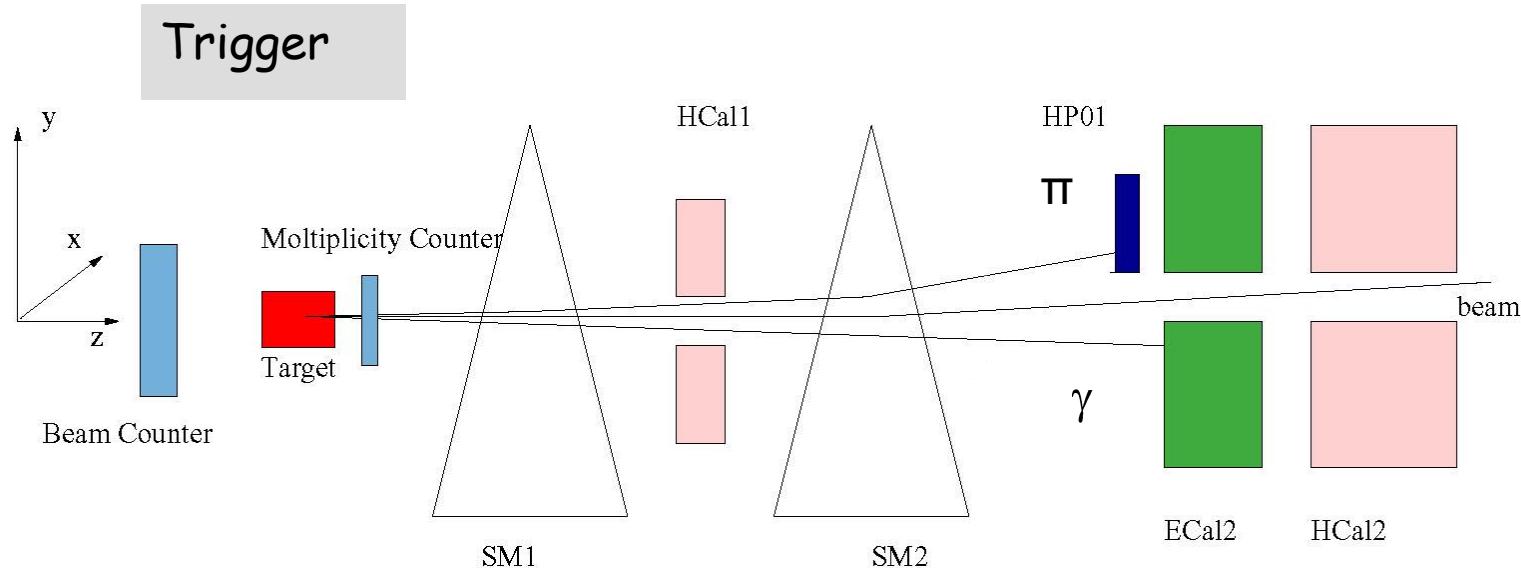
# Polarisability: Primakoff

- Finally compare the **shape** of the measured Primakoff cross-section to a Monte Carlo simulation for the point-like case.

$$R(\omega) = \frac{d\sigma_{\gamma\pi}^{\text{Prim}}}{d\sigma_{\gamma\pi}^{\text{Thomson}}} \simeq 1 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{m_\pi^3}{\alpha} \frac{\omega^2}{1-\omega} \bar{\beta}_\pi$$

- Note COMPASS also measured the point-like muon

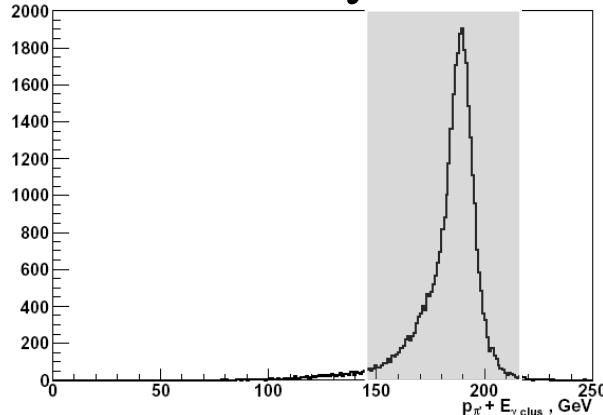
# Pilot hadron-beam run 2004



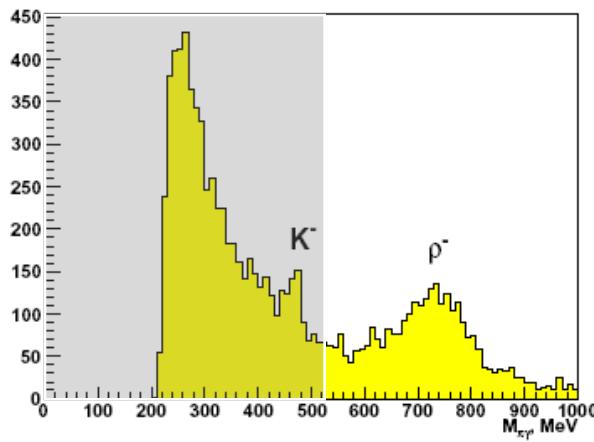
- 190 GeV  $\pi$  beam, low intensity:  $2 \cdot 10^6/\text{spill}$
- Beam time: 7 days
- Trigger: beam, pion in hodoscope, and  $E_\gamma > 90 \text{ GeV}$
- Trigger rate (40–50k/spill)
- Different targets (Pb, C, Cu)

# Event selection

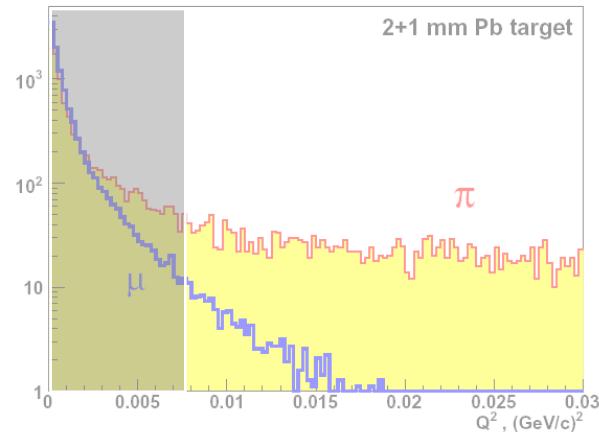
- Exclusivity



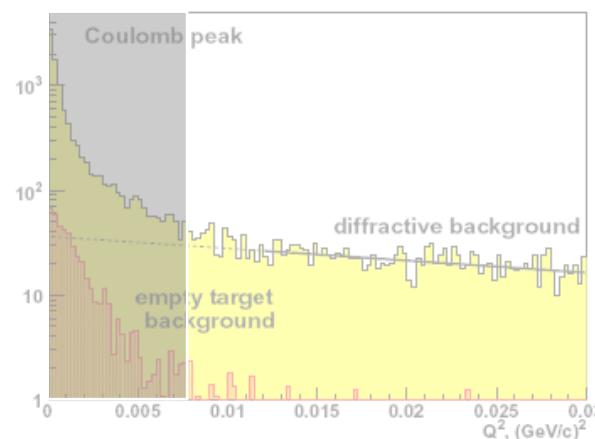
- Interference



- Diffractive background



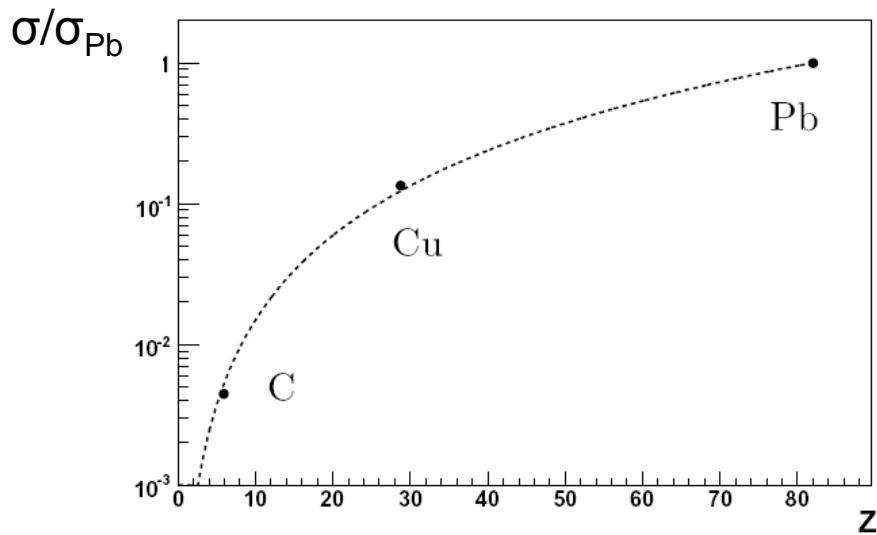
Coulomb  
peaks of  $\pi$  and  
 $\mu$  agree



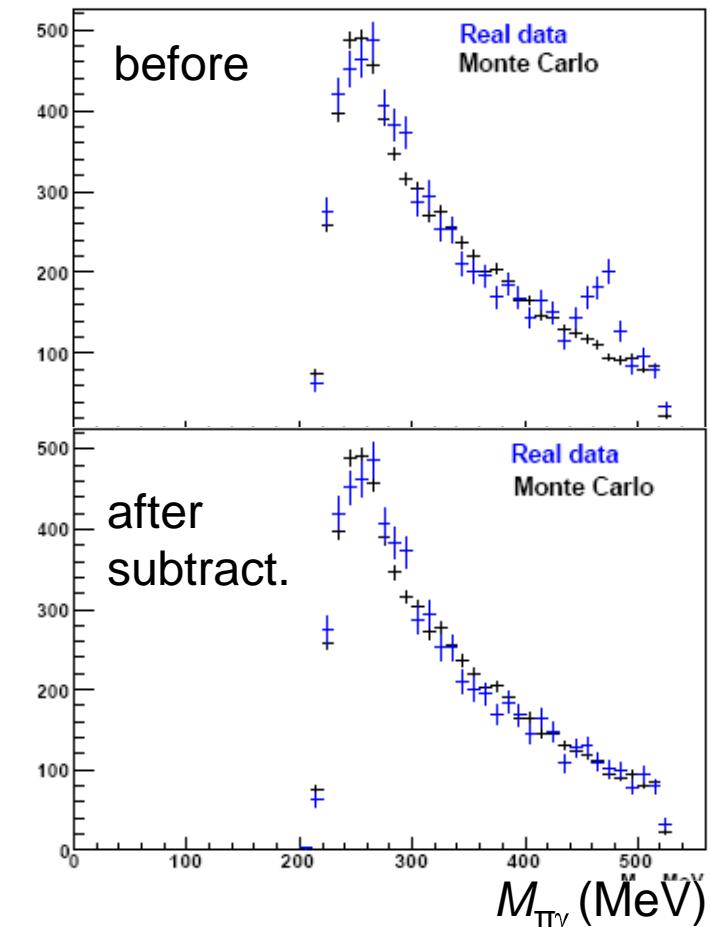
Extrapolate  
diffr.active  
background

# Cross checks

- Cross section ratios
- Empty target background

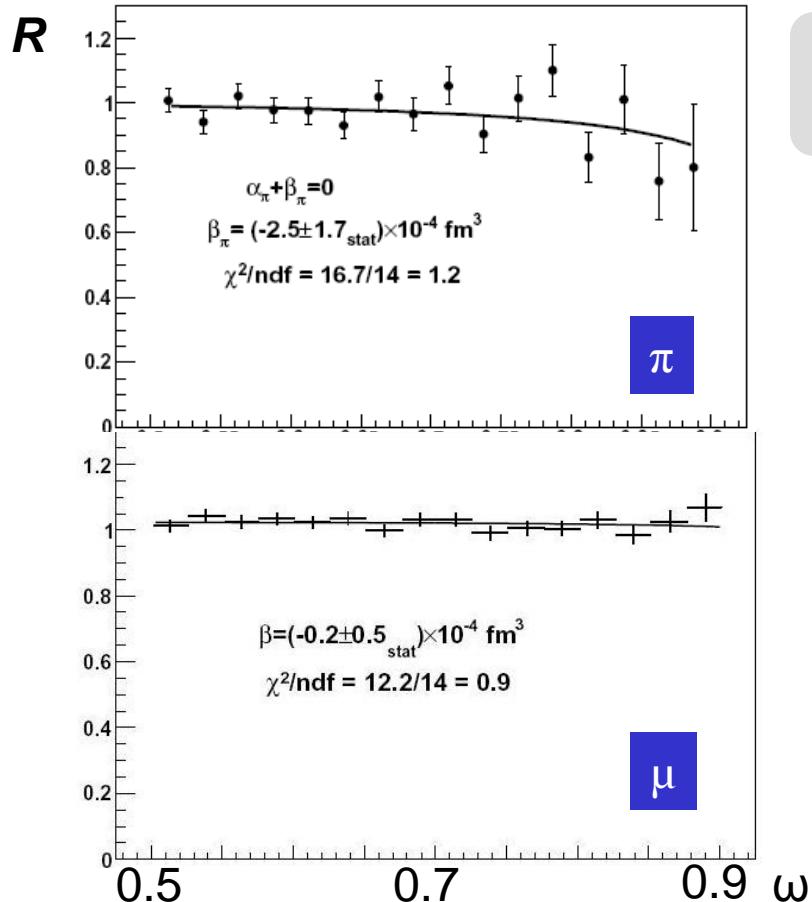


- Abs. Pb cross-section:  
estimate  $\sim 100 \mu\text{b}$   
theory  $\sim 140 \mu\text{b}$
- Not needed in analysis



# Result for $\bar{\beta}_\pi$

Ratio data/MC



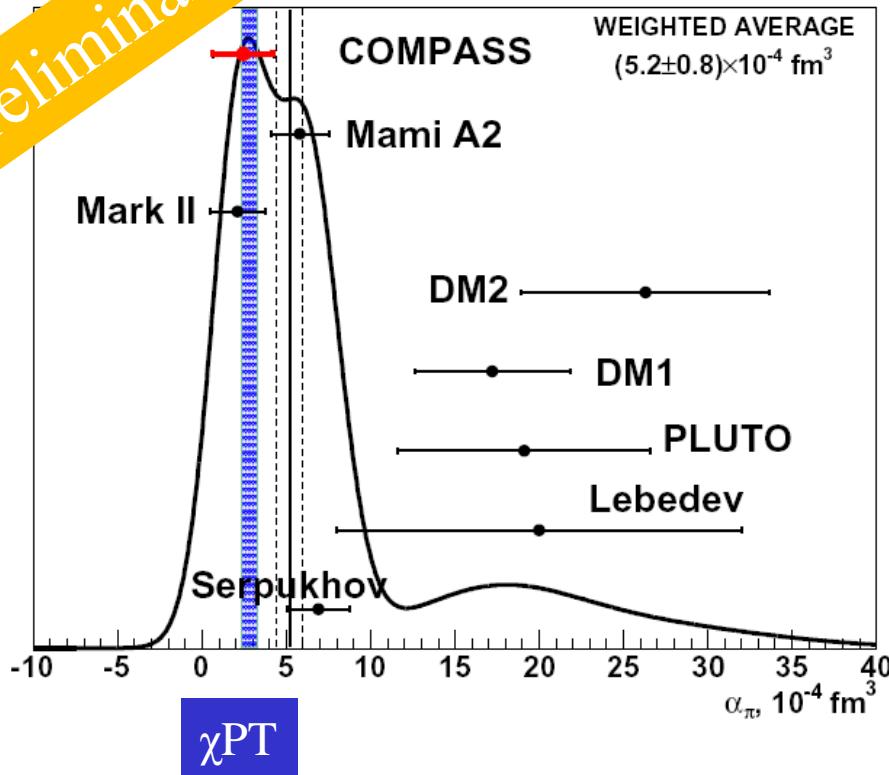
$$\bar{\beta}_\pi = (-2.5 \pm 1.7 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3$$

- Radiative corrections included
- zero result for muon
- Systematic error:

Origin	Syst. Error $10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3$
Setup description in MC	$\pm 0.5$
Background subtraction	$\pm 0.3$
Beam muons	$< 0.2$
Beam electrons	$< 0.1$
Total	$\pm 0.6$

# World data on $\bar{a}_\pi$

preliminary



- Precise preliminary result
- Good agreement with  $\chi\text{PT}$
- Smaller than Serpukhov and Mainz result

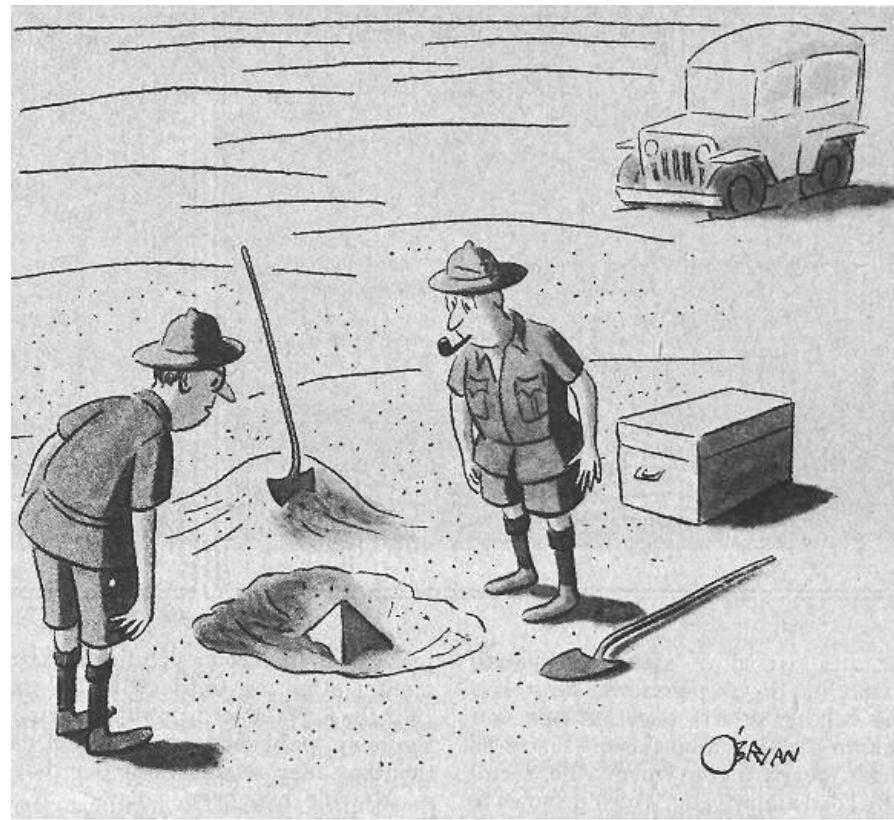
# Summary

- We are starting to assess the gluon polarisation
- The large  $\Delta G$  scenario is basically excluded
- Still the gluon can have a significant contribution to the nucleon spin.
- Need now precise measurements to actually determine the various contributions exactly.
- Transverse spin effects still puzzling
- Work for a polarised ep collider!

- “You think you understand something..., now add spin”

R. Jaffe

It seems spin goes  
pretty far down...



*“This could be the discovery of the century. Depending, of course, on how far down it goes.”*

A wide-angle photograph of a majestic mountain range. The mountains are covered in a thick layer of white snow, with dark, rocky ridges visible where the snow has melted. The sky above is a clear, vibrant blue, dotted with wispy, white clouds. In the foreground, there's a mix of snow and patches of brown, rocky ground.

Thanks to the organisers

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and the audience