

# NLO QCD result for the gluon polarization from open-charm D<sup>0</sup> meson production @COMPASS

on behalf of the COMPASS Collaboration

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# COMPASS Collaboration at CERN

Common Muon and Proton Apparatus for Structure and Spectroscopy

**Czech Rep., France, Germany, India, Israel, Italy,  
Japan, Poland, Portugal, Russia and CERN**

Bielefeld, Bochum, Bonn, Burdwan and Calcutta, CERN, Dubna, Erlangen, Freiburg, Lisbon, Mainz, Moscow, Munich, Prague, Protvino, Saclay, Tel Aviv, Torino, Trieste, Warsaw, Yamagata

~240 physicists, 30 institutes

Beam:  $2 \cdot 10^8 \mu^+$ / spill (4.8s / 16.2s)

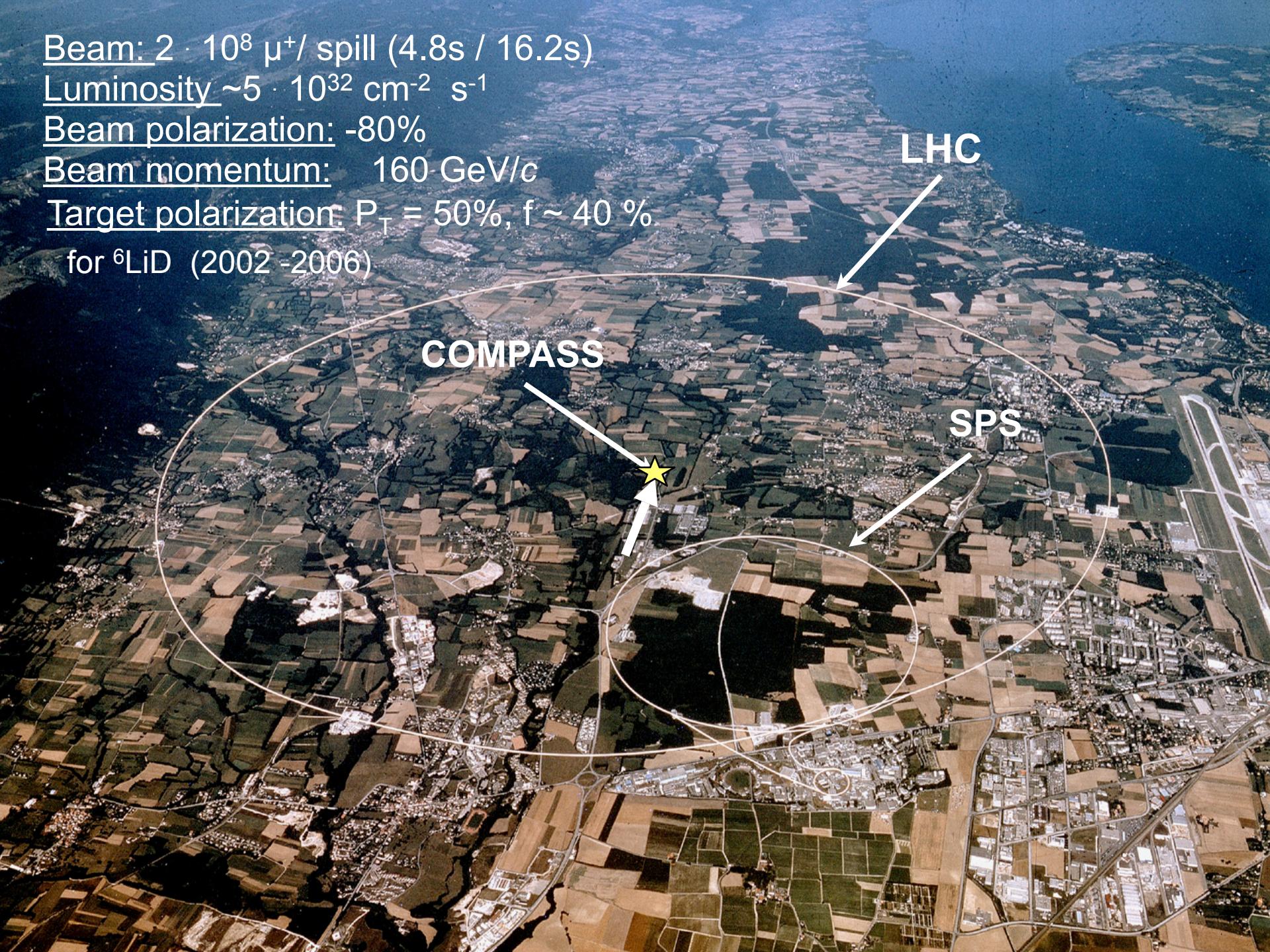
Luminosity  $\sim 5 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Beam polarization: -80%

Beam momentum: 160 GeV/c

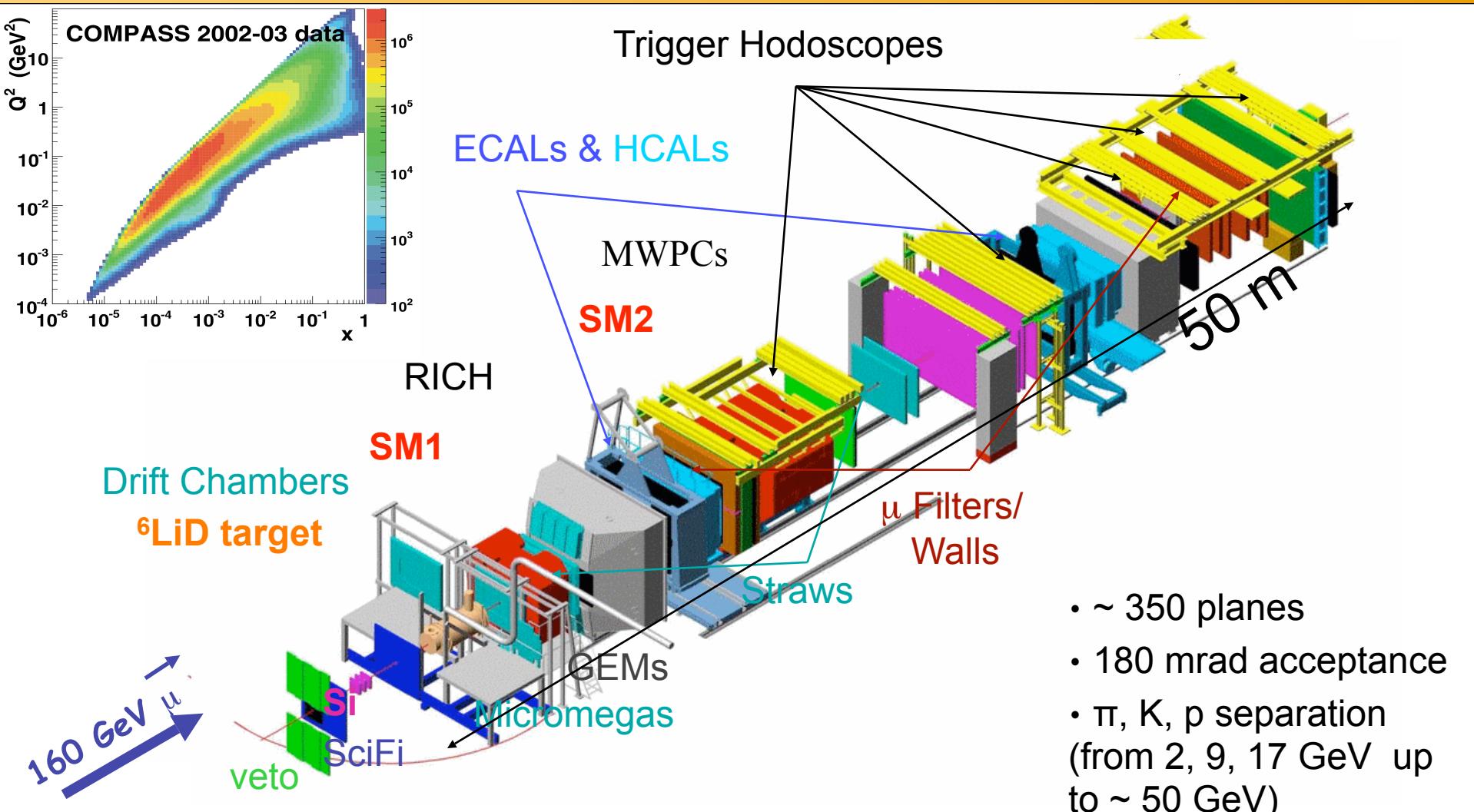
Target polarization:  $P_T = 50\%$ ,  $f \sim 40\%$

for  ${}^6\text{LiD}$  (2002 -2006)

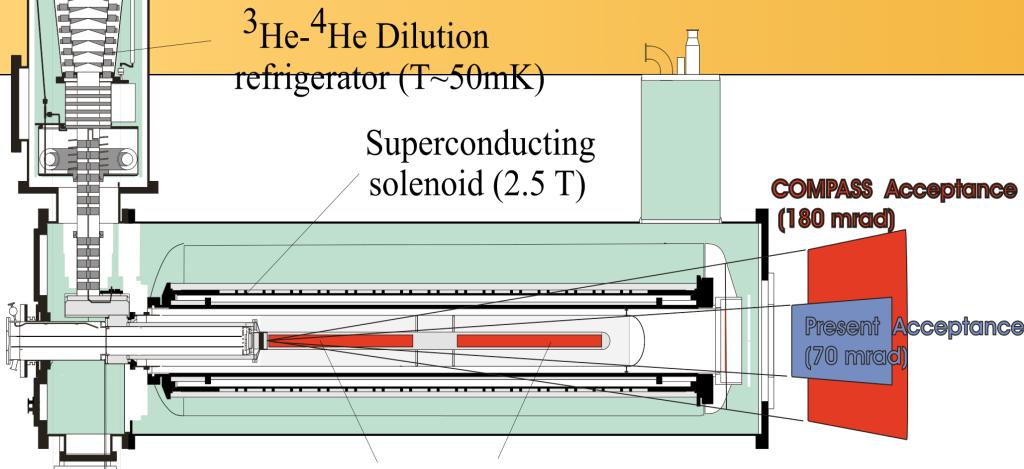


# The COMPASS spectrometer

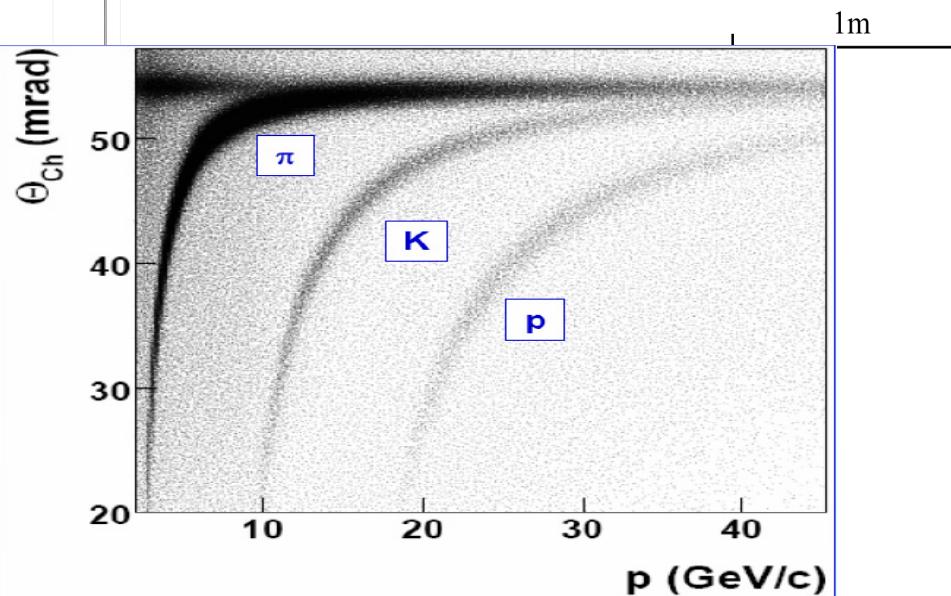
COMPASS in muon run  
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# The COMPASS polarized target and PID

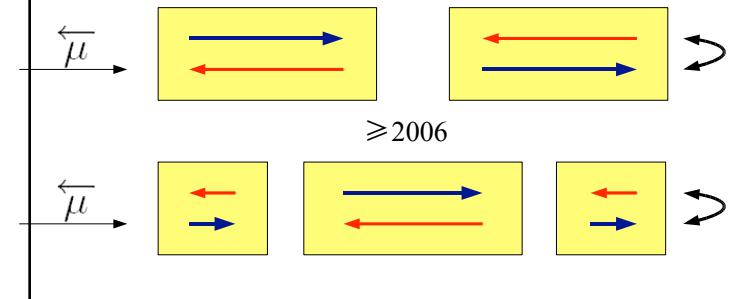


Two 60 cm long target cells  
with opposite polarisation



Target material:  $^6\text{LiD}$   
Polarisation: >50%  
Dilution factor: ~0.4  
Dynamic Nuclear Polarization

2006 - new solenoid  
with acceptance 180 mrad  
3 target cells  
(reduce false asymmetries)  
2002 – 2004



RICH 2006 upgrade : better PID

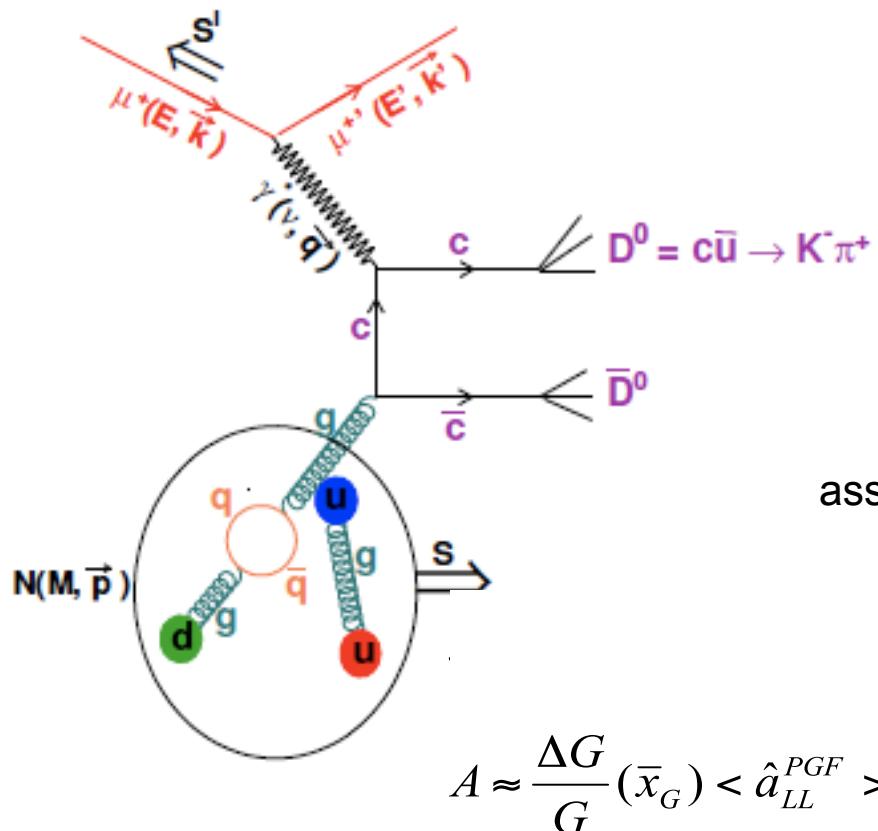
MAPMTs in central region

APV electronics in periphery

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- Gluon polarization measurement @ COMPASS: the method
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Photon-Gluon Fusion (PGF) - the only process in LO QCD.



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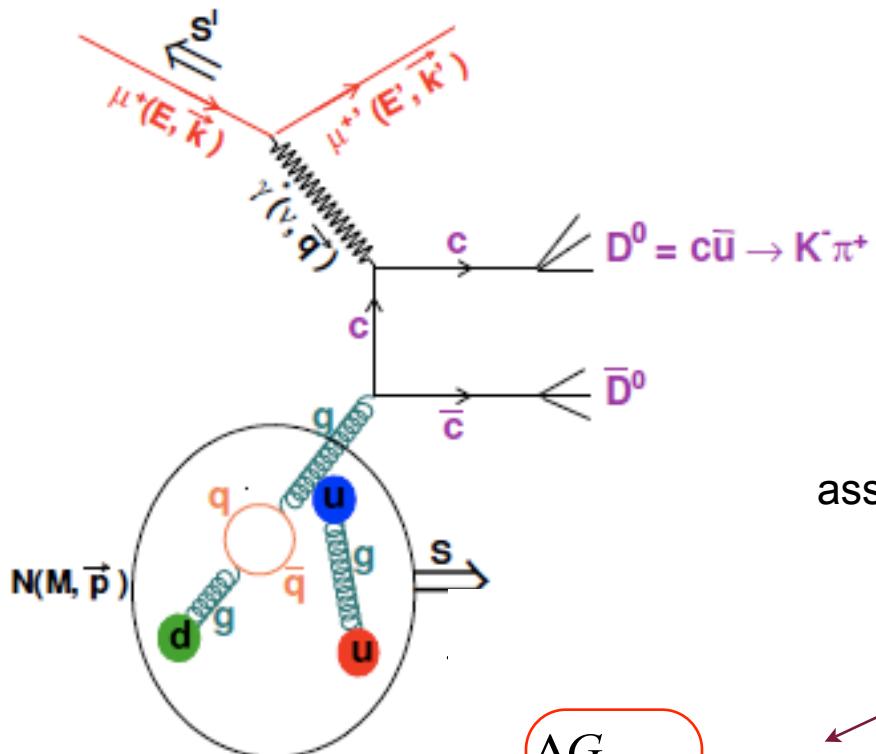
$$\sigma^{PGF} = G \otimes \hat{\sigma}^{PGF} \otimes H$$

$$\Delta\sigma^{PGF} = \Delta G \otimes \Delta\hat{\sigma}^{PGF} \otimes H$$

$$\frac{\Delta G}{G}(x) \approx a(x - \bar{x}) + b$$

Low statistics! Huge combinatorial background to fight with! *Phys.Lett.B* 676 (2009)31

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from MC

$$A \approx \frac{\Delta G}{G}(\bar{x}_G) < \hat{a}_{LL}^{PGF} >_G$$

notice:

$$A^{measured} = f P_T P_b \left( \frac{S}{S+B} A^{signal} + \frac{B}{S+B} A^B \right)$$

signal asymmetry from data

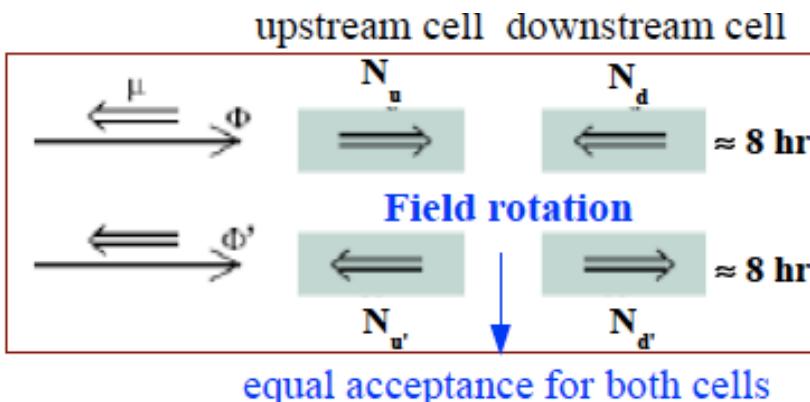
## Measuring $D^0$ asymmetries to extract $\Delta G/G$

The number of reconstructed  $D^0$  ( $N^{u,d}$ ) is used to measure an open-charm asymmetry for the PGF process

$$A^{\text{exp}} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{N^u - N^d}{N^u + N^d} + \frac{N^{d'} - N^{u'}}{N^{u'} + N^{d'}} \right)$$

$$= f \cdot P_\mu \cdot P_T \cdot \frac{s}{s+b} \cdot A^{\mu,T}$$

Open-Charm event probability



Weighting each event with the weight

$$\omega = (f \cdot P_\mu \cdot \frac{s/(s+b) \cdot a_{LL}}{a_{LL}}) \rightarrow \text{needed for every event}$$

$$\frac{\Delta G}{G} = \frac{1}{2P_T} \times \left( \frac{\omega_u - \omega_d}{\omega_u^2 + \omega_d^2} + \frac{\omega_{u'} - \omega_{d'}}{\omega_{u'}^2 + \omega_{d'}^2} \right) \text{ with a statistical gain: } \frac{\langle \omega^2 \rangle}{\langle \omega \rangle^2}$$

## Considered events:

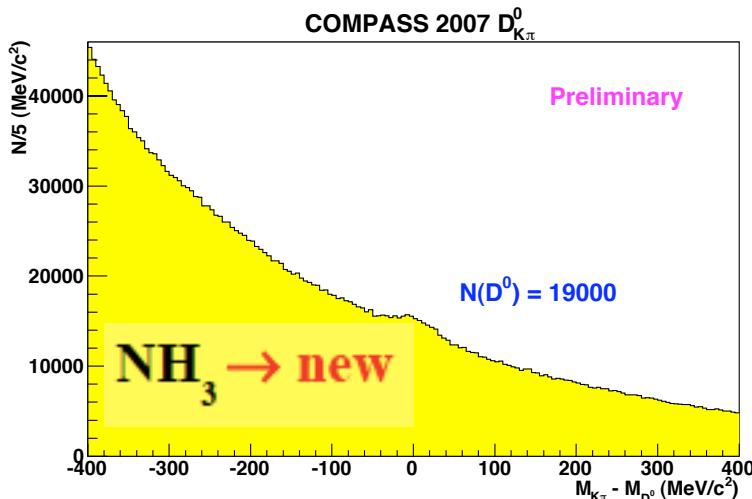
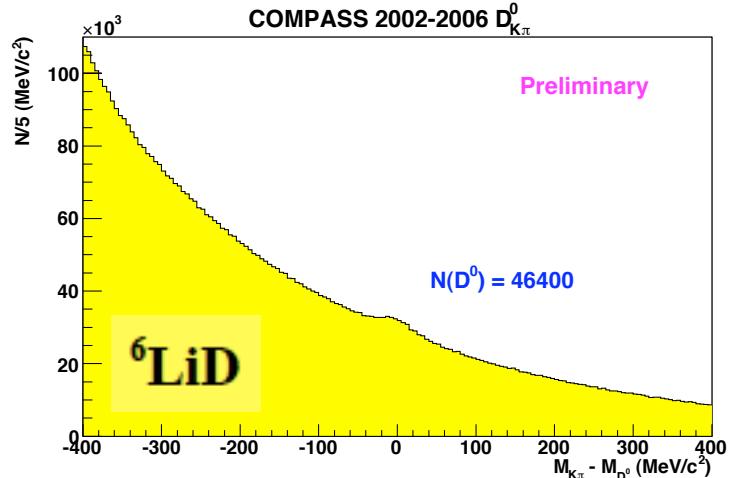
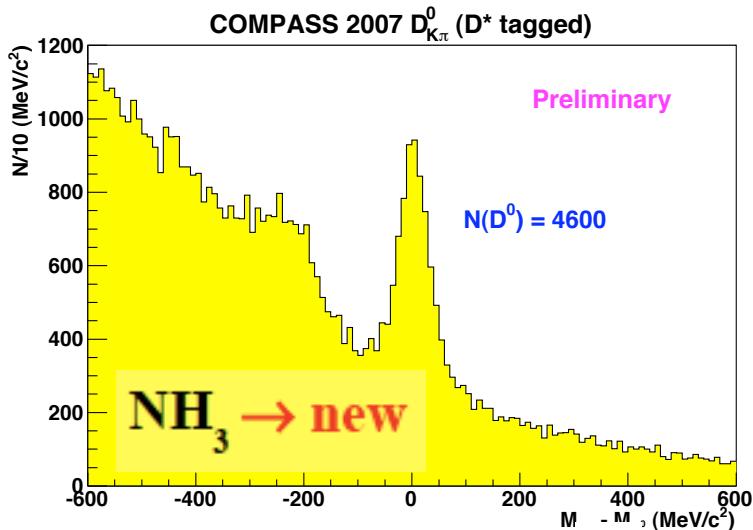
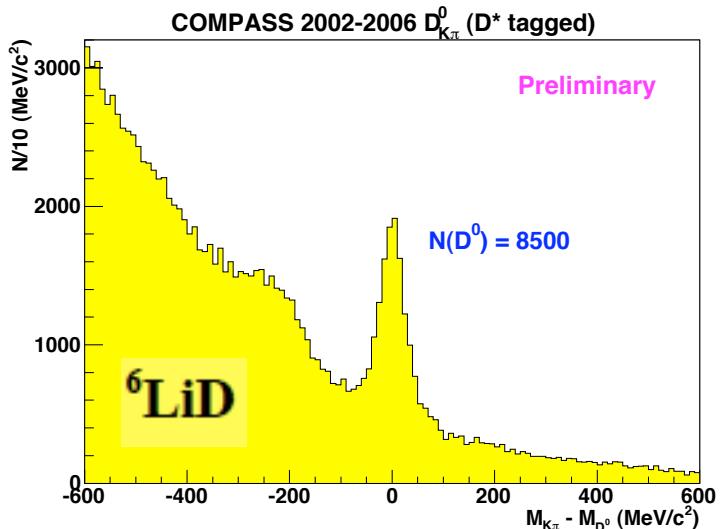
- $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$  ( $BR: 4\%$ )
- $D^* \rightarrow D^0\pi_s$  ( $30\% D^0$  tagged with a  $D^*$ )
  - $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$
  - $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi\pi^0$  ( $BR: 13\%$ )  $\rightarrow$  **not directly reconstructed**  $\pi^0$
  - $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi\pi\pi$  ( $BR: 7.5\%$ )
  - $D^0 \rightarrow \text{sub}(K)\pi$   $\longrightarrow$  **no RICH ID for Kaons** ( $p < 9 \text{ GeV}/c$ )

## Selection to reduce the combinatorial background

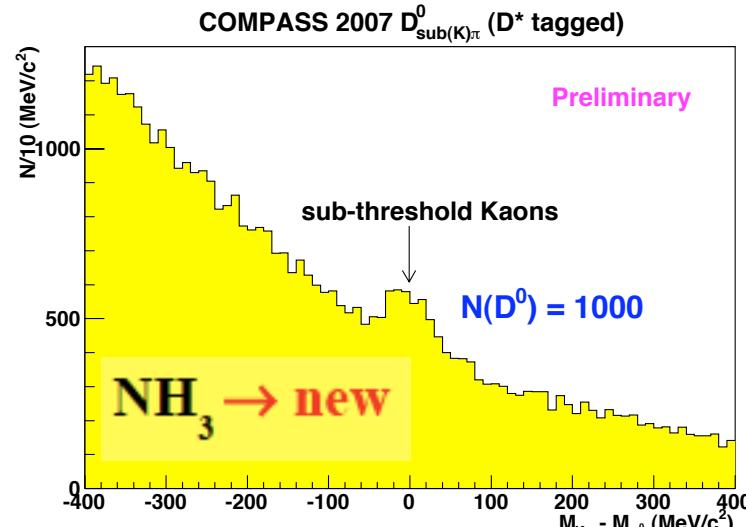
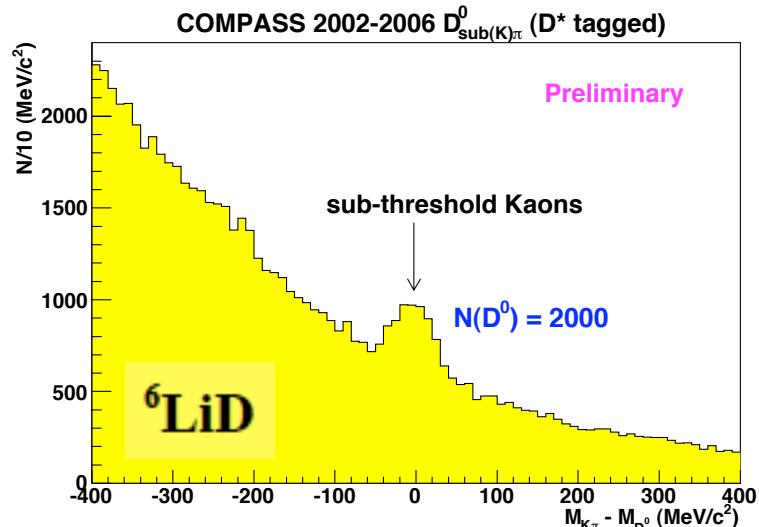
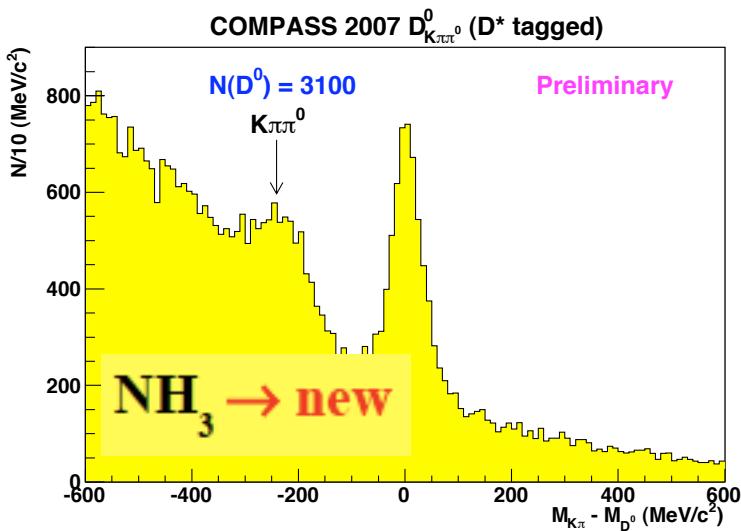
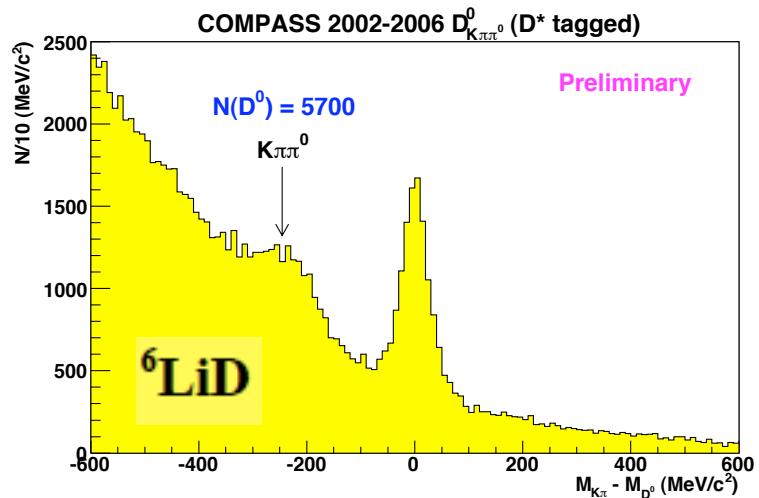
- **Kinematical cuts:**  $z_D$  and  $D^0$  decay angle (*to reject colinear events with  $\gamma^*$  coming from the nucleon fragmentation*),  $K$  and  $\pi$  momentum
- **RICH identification:**  $K$  and  $\pi$  ID + electrons rejected from the  $\pi_s$  sample
- Mass cut for the  $D^*$  tagged channels ( $M[K\pi\pi_s] - M[K\pi] - M[\pi]$ )
- Neural Network qualification of events

# $D^0$ meson reconstruction

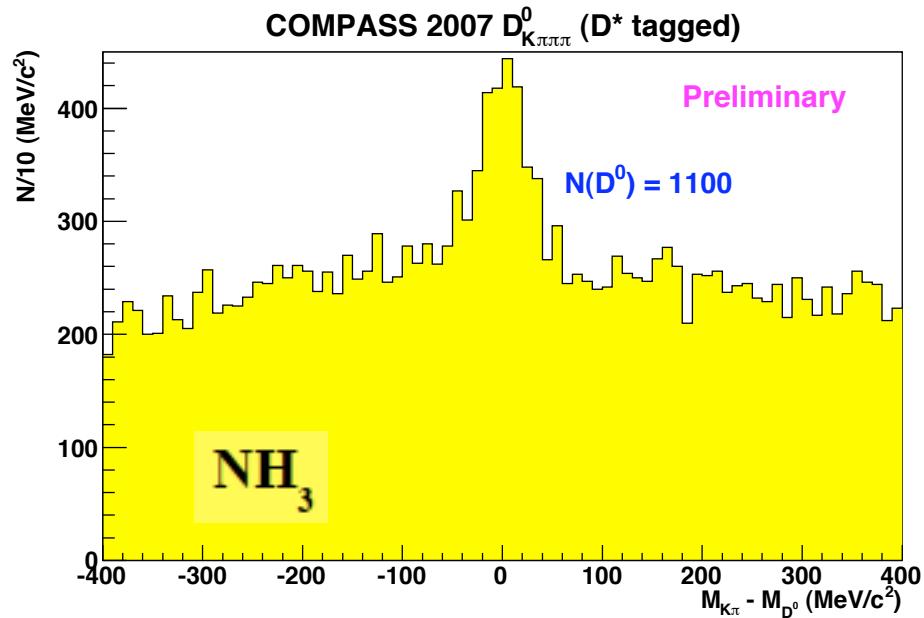
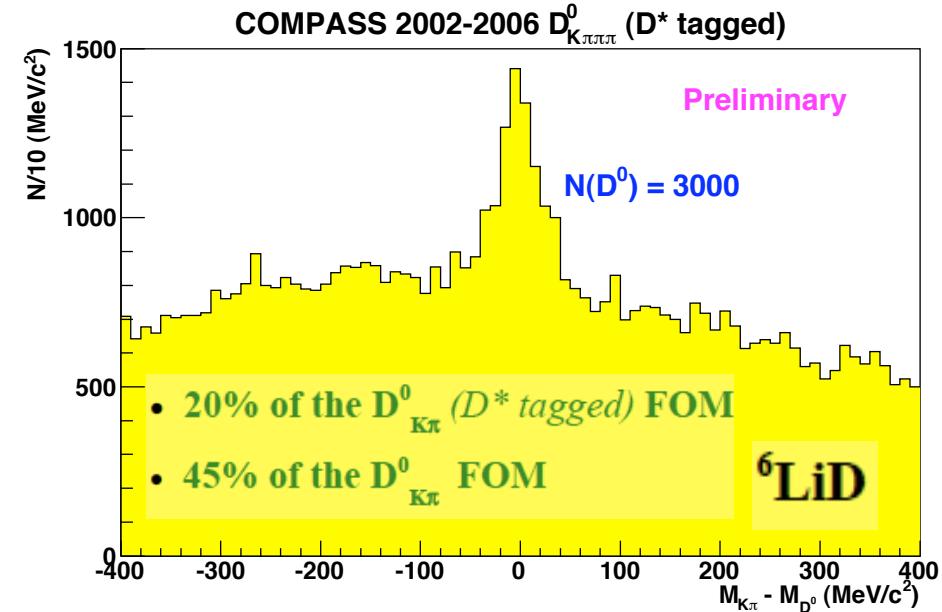
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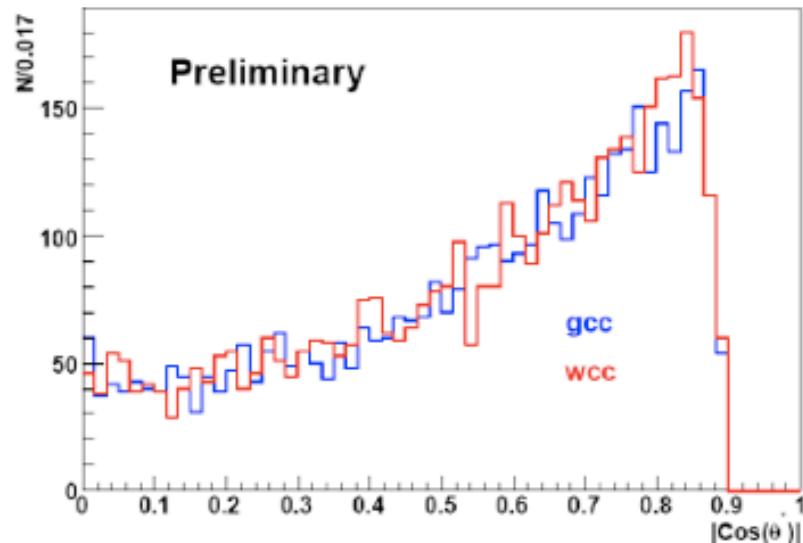
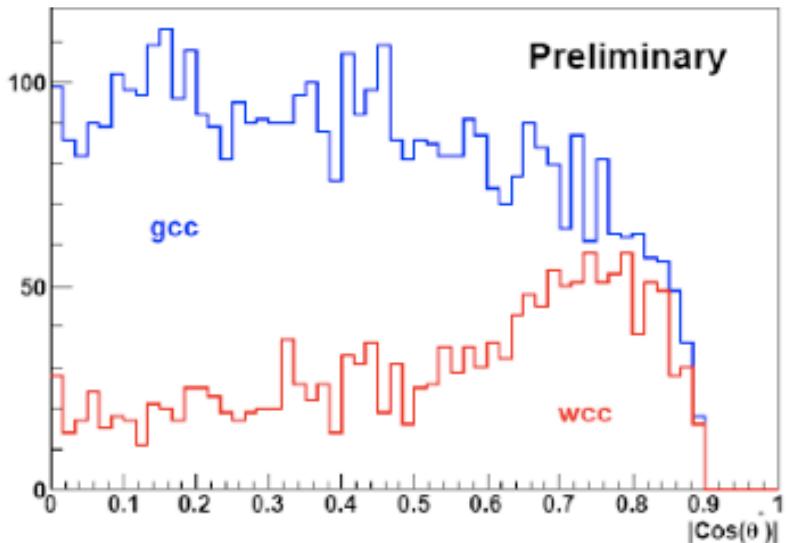
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# Signal to background estimation

## Neural Network qualification of events

- **Signal model** →  $gcc = K^+ \pi^- \pi_s^- + K^- \pi^+ \pi_s^+$  (*D<sup>0</sup> spectrum: signal + background,*
- **Background model** →  $wcc = K^+ \pi^+ \pi_s^- + K^- \pi^- \pi_s^+$  (*no D<sup>0</sup> is allowed*)
- Assuming background model to be good enough *Neural Network (NN)* is able to find some differences between samples: *S+B* and *B*.
- This way the signal probability *S/(S+B)* is constructed event-by-event

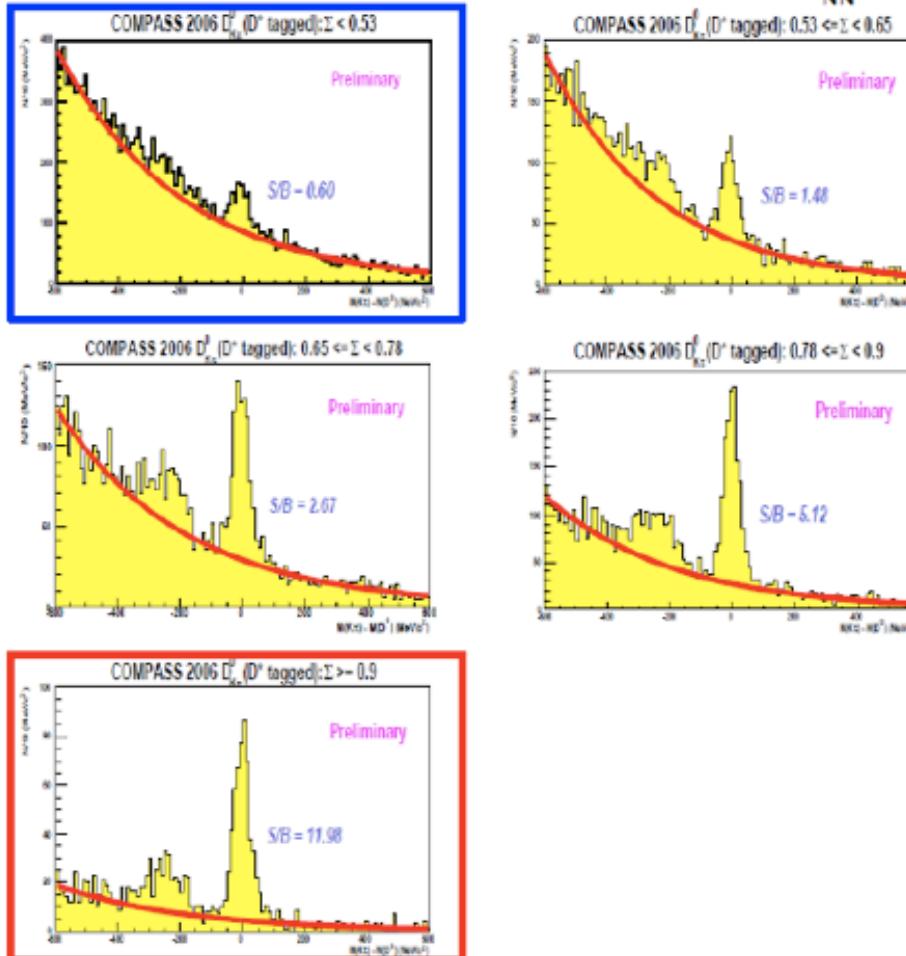


example of “good” training variable mass window where signal is expected (left) and for sidebands (right)

# Signal to background estimation

$s/(s+b)$ : obtaining final probabilities for  $D^0$  candidate

## $D^0$ tagged spectrum in bins of $\Sigma = s/(s+b)_{NN}$



- Events with small  $s/(s+b)_{NN}$

- Mostly combinatorial background is selected

$s/(s+b)$  is obtained from a fit inside this bins (correcting with the NN parameterisation)

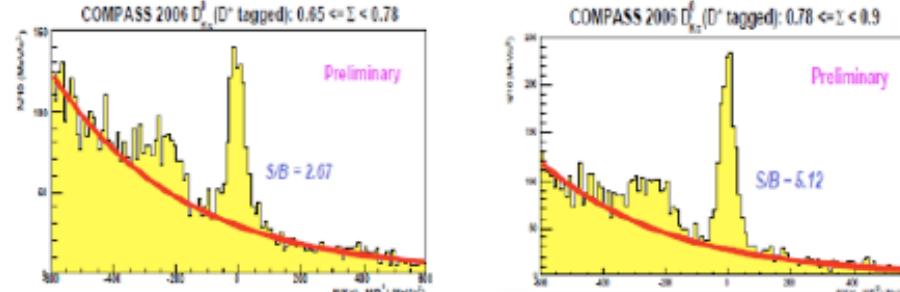
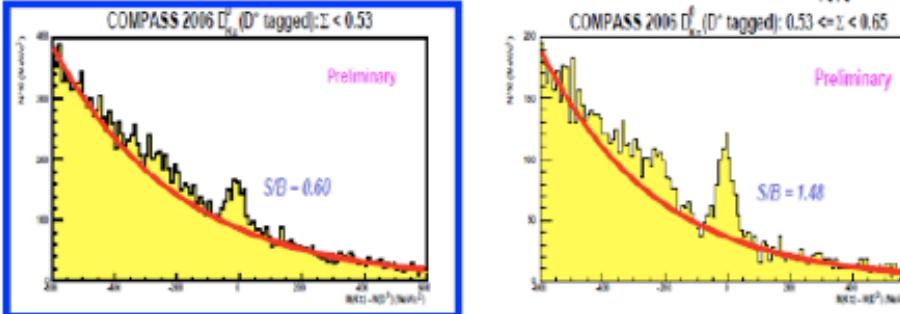
- Events with large  $s/(s+b)_{NN}$

- Mostly Open-Charm events are selected

# Signal to background estimation

$s/(s+b)$ : comparison of wcc and gcc background

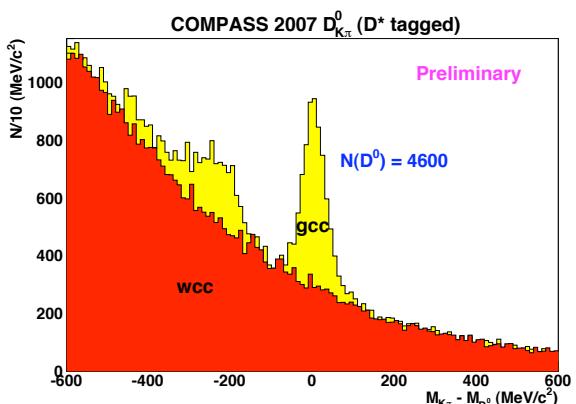
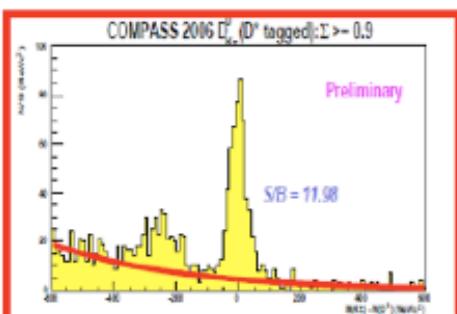
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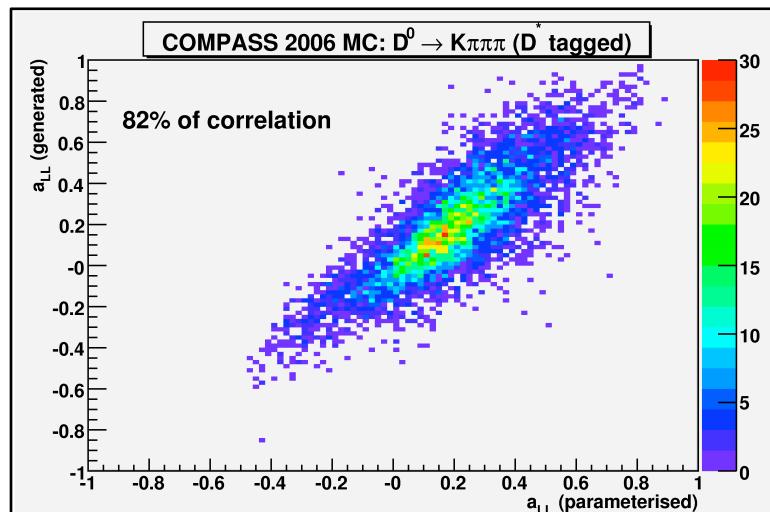
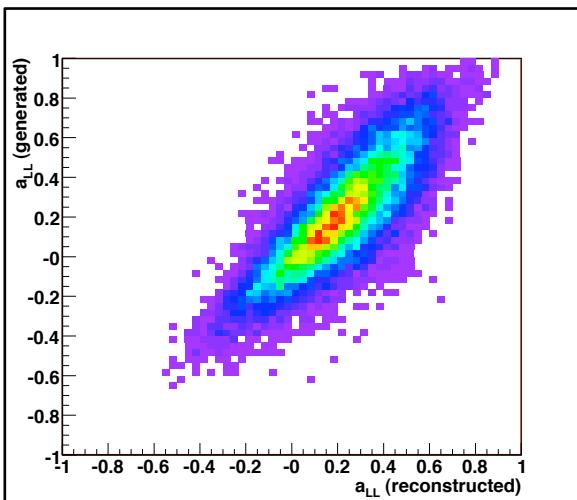
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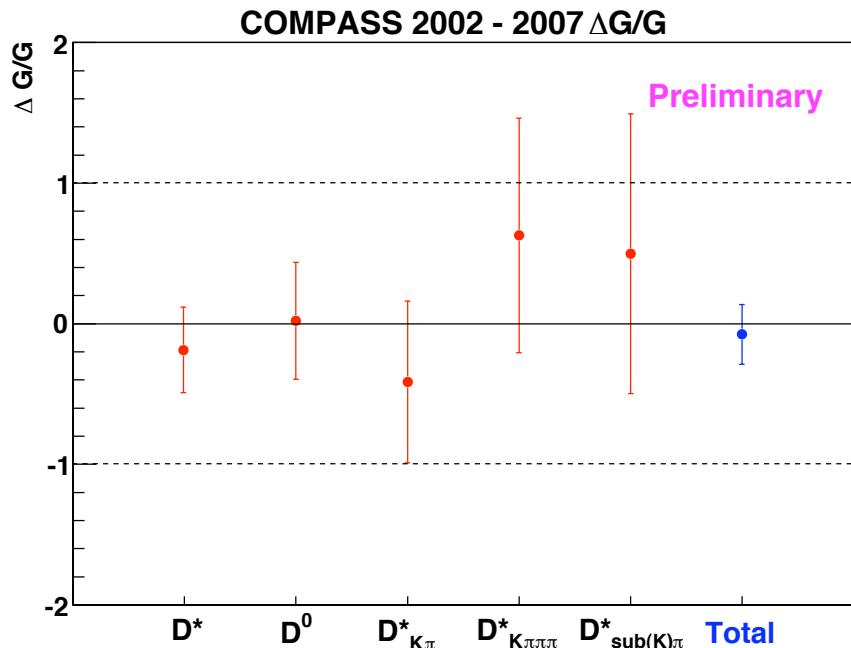
## Partonic muon-gluon asymmetry and NN parameterization

- $a_{LL}$  is dependent on the knowledge of the partonic kinematics and can not be experimentally obtained - only one charmed meson is reconstructed
- $a_{LL}$  is calculated with the help of MC (in LO QCD) and parameterized by measured quantities using NN approach
- As a training vector kinematical variables:  $y$ ,  $x_{Bjk}$ ,  $Q^2$ ,  $Z_D^0$ ,  $p_{T,D}^0$  are used



## Gluon polarization

Final gluon polarization from open-charm in LO QCD

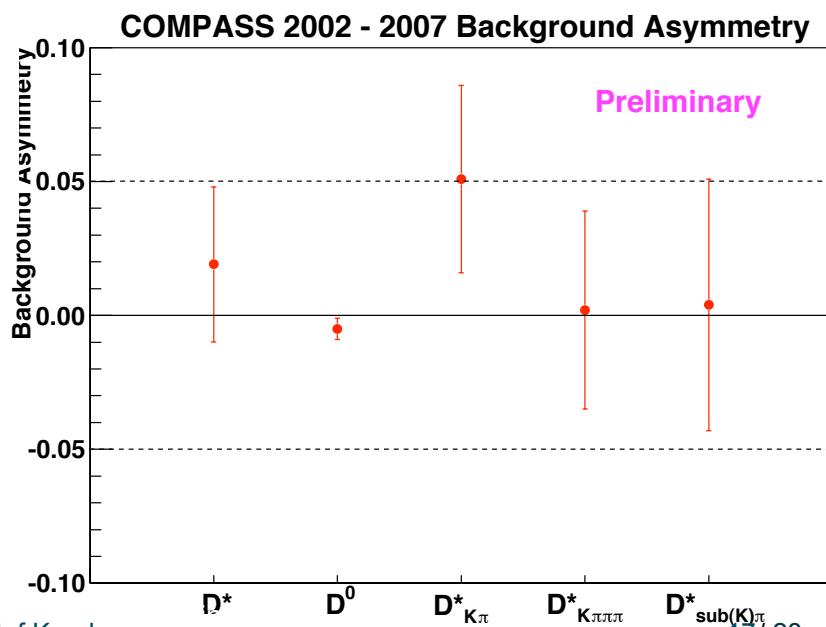


Notice: signal and background asymmetries are extracted in the same time

$$A^{measured} = f P_T P_b \left( \frac{S}{S+B} A^{signal} + \frac{B}{S+B} A^B \right)$$

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$$\langle x_G \rangle \approx 0.11 \quad \mu^2 = 13 \frac{GeV^2}{c^2}$$



$D^0$  asymmetries in bins of  $E_{D^0}$  and  $p_{T,D^0}$

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Asymmetries in bins allow to perform independent analysis

Presented NLO QCD result is based on published asymmetries in bins

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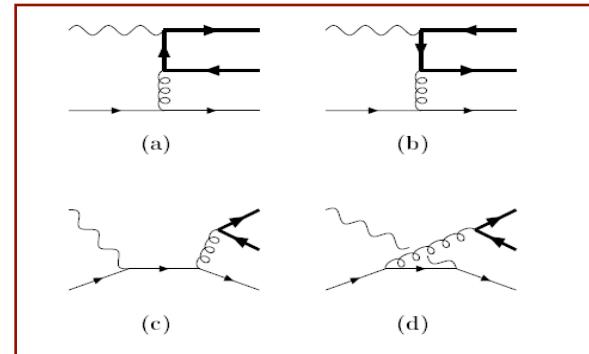
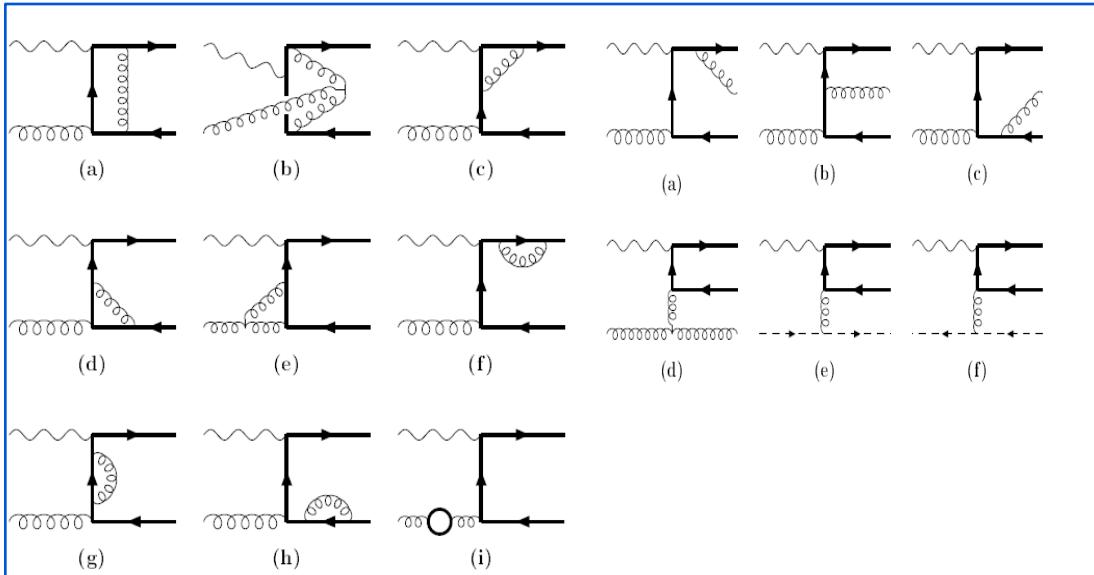
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## NLO QCD corrections

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$$A_{\text{signal}}^{\text{signal}} = \left\langle \left( \frac{\Delta G}{G} a_{LL} + A_1^{d,c} a_{LL}^q \right) \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{\Delta G}{G} \right\rangle_{a_{LL}} \langle a_{LL} \rangle + \left\langle A_1^{d,c} a_{LL}^q \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{\Delta G}{G} + A_1^{d,c} \frac{a_{LL}^q}{a_{LL}} \right\rangle_{a_{LL}} \langle a_{LL} \rangle$$

$$a_{LL} = \frac{G \Delta \hat{\sigma}^{\text{Gluon}}}{G \hat{\sigma}^{\text{Gluon}} + \sum_q q \hat{\sigma}^{\text{quark}}}$$

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$$a_{LL}^q = \frac{\sum_q q \Delta \hat{\sigma}^{\text{quark}}}{G \hat{\sigma}^{\text{Gluon}} + \sum_q q \hat{\sigma}^{\text{quark}}}$$

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## Gluon polarization in NLO QCD - MC approach for simulating Phase Space

Procedure for NLO calculations:

1. *Aroma* MC generator with PS-on describes COMPASS data very well
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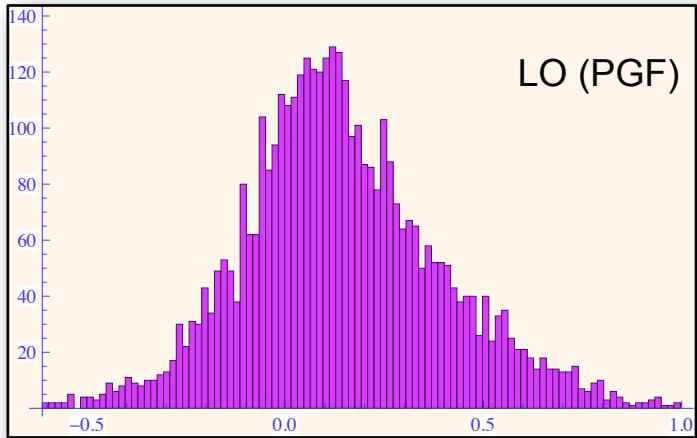
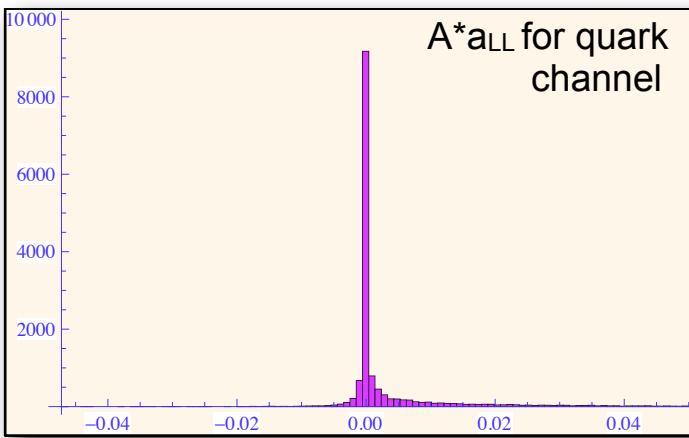
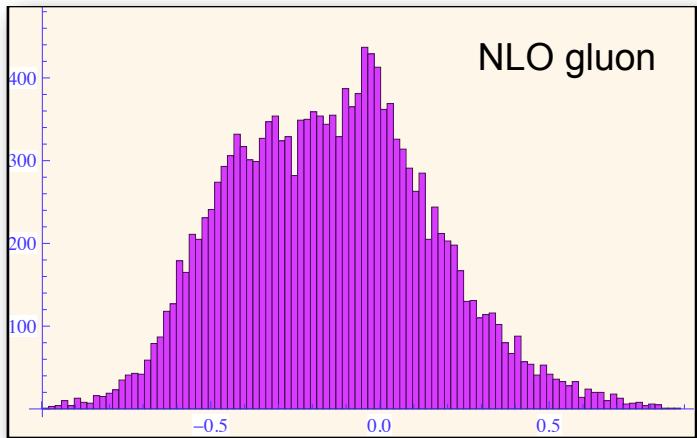
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Light quark contribution are very small - no strong dependence on unpolarized PDFs

## MC calculations: $a_{LL}$



Averaged value of  $a_{LL}$  is shifted comparing LO and NLO

**< $x_G$ > is also changed!**

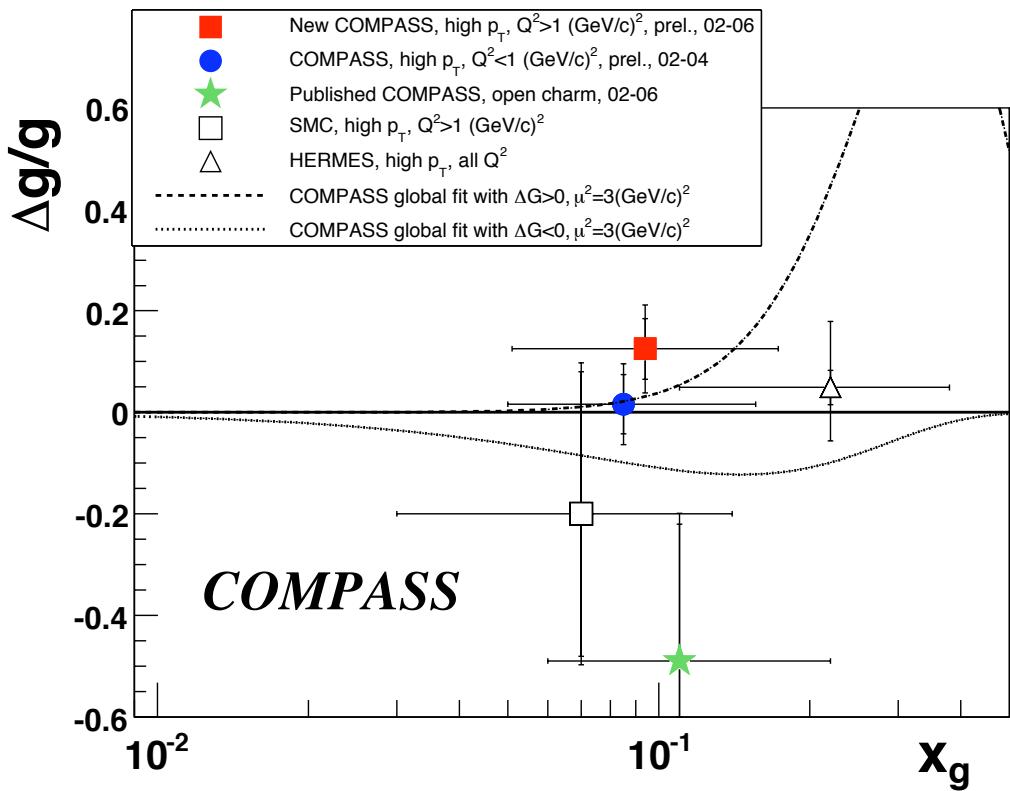
The effective average  $x_G$  depends on the  $a_{LL}$

The  $x_G$  region where  $a_{LL}$  is close to 0 does not contribute to average  $x_G$

effect of light quarks small  
 - dependence of unpolarized PDFs in  $a_{LL}$  calculations small

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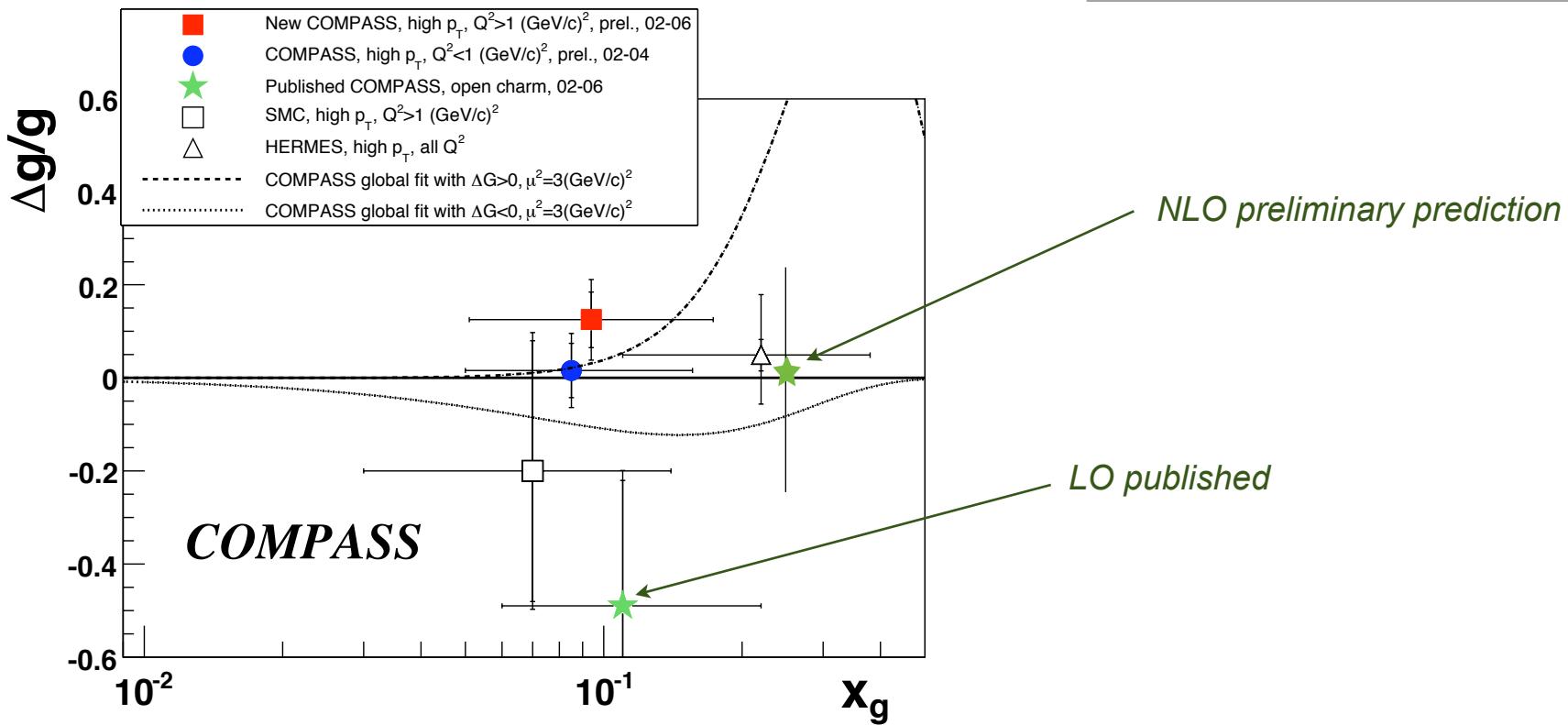
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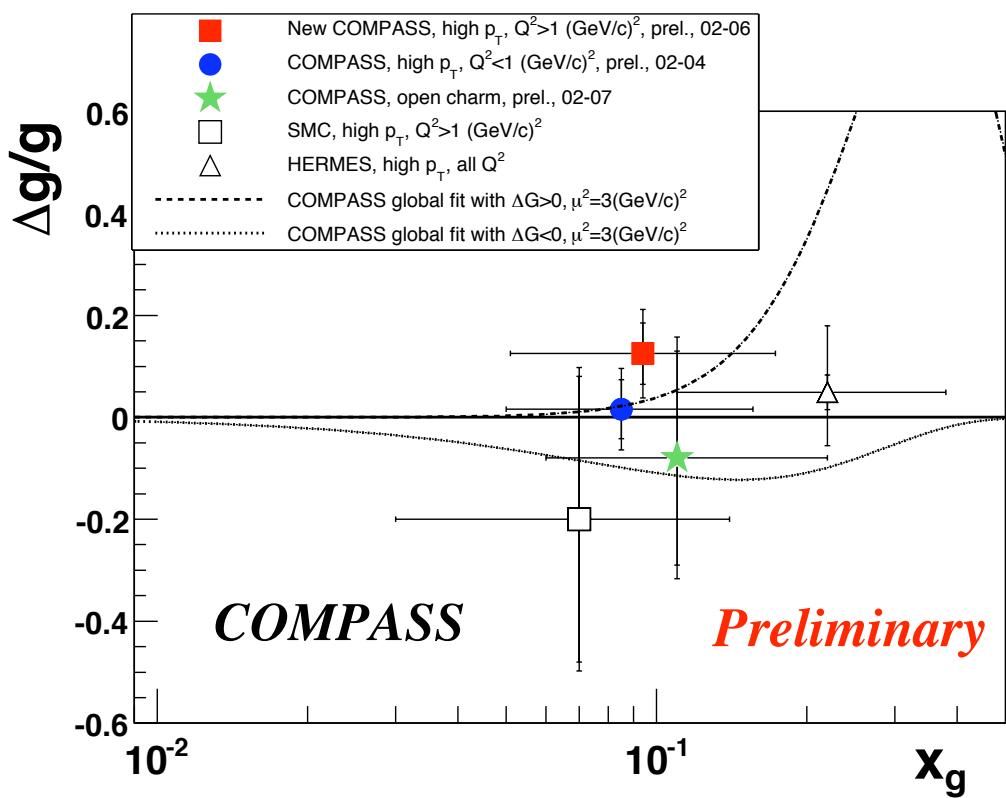
NLO (based on published asymmetries):  $\Delta G/G = +0.008 \pm 0.25$

test: NLO M-M MC:  $\Delta G/G = +0.005 \pm 0.22$

Significant effect on published data;  
 New LO result smaller and the  
 effect of NLO corrections will be  
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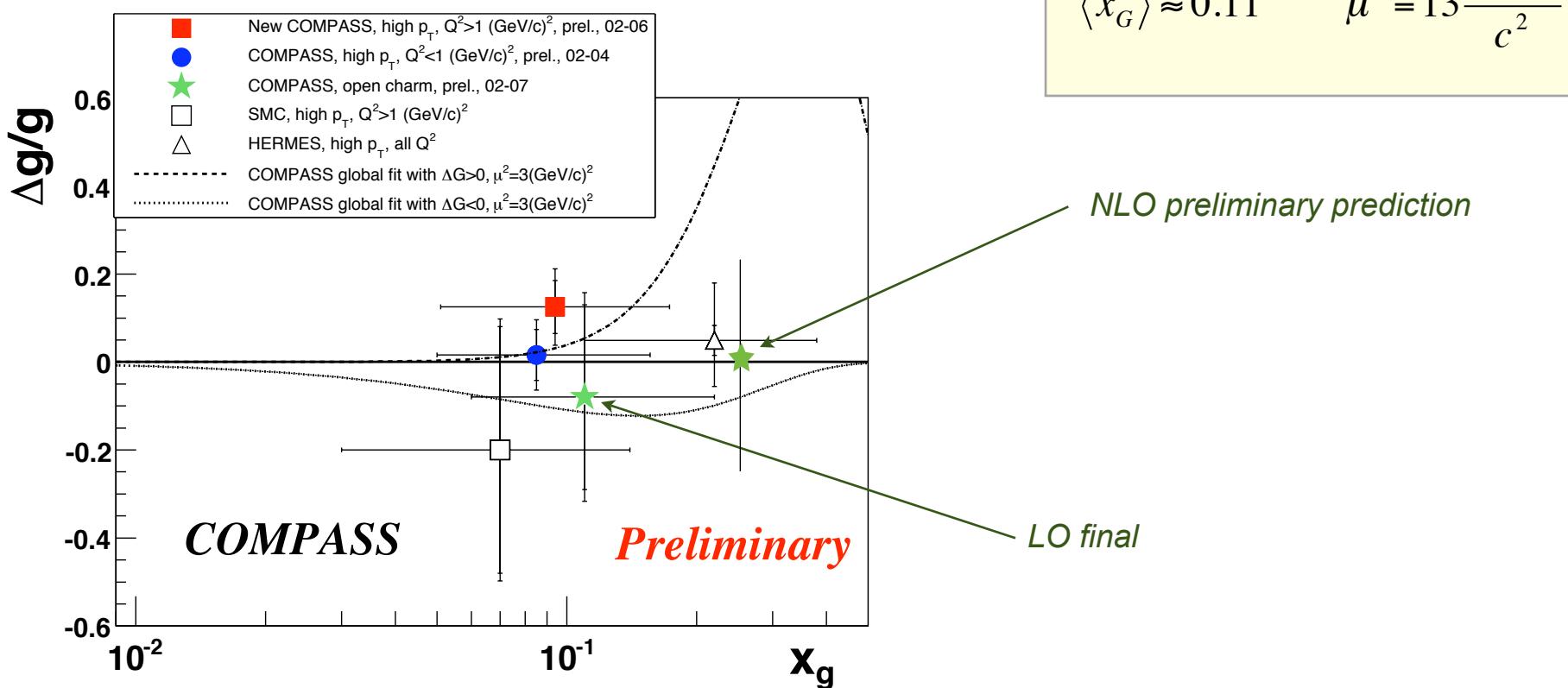
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### Summary:

- New result on gluon polarization (in LO QCD) from open-charm analysis @ COMPASS has been presented.
- The preliminary NLO QCD result based on the published set of asymmetries in bins in  $p_{T,D}^0$  and  $E_D^0$  has been obtained.
- LO MC generator with PS on has been used to simulate NLO Phase Space needed for calculating analyzing powers in NLO approximation.

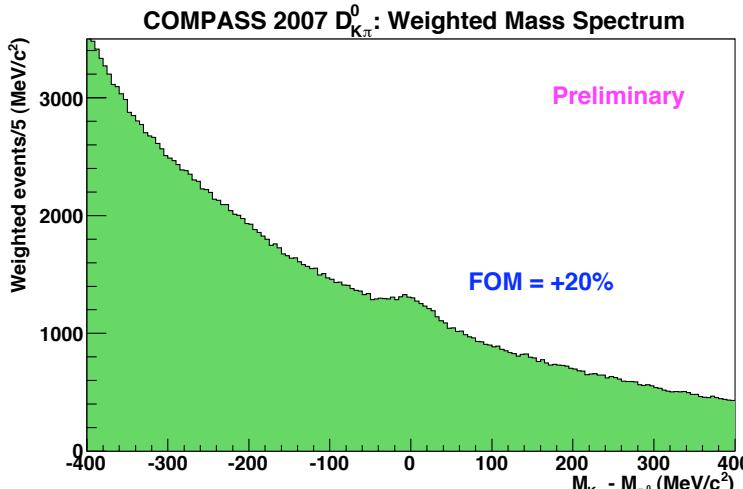
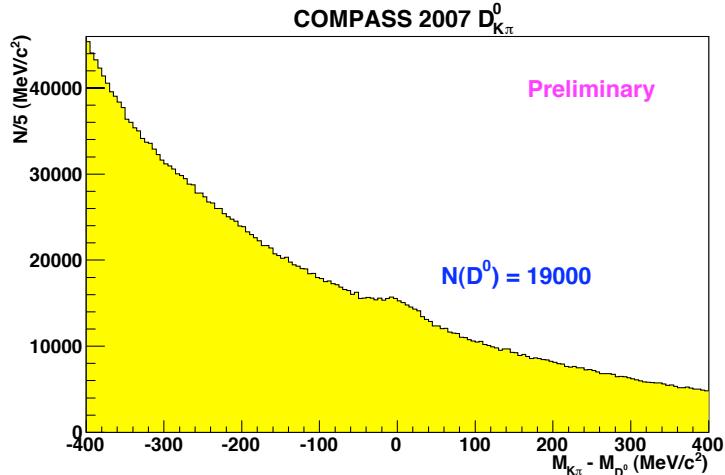
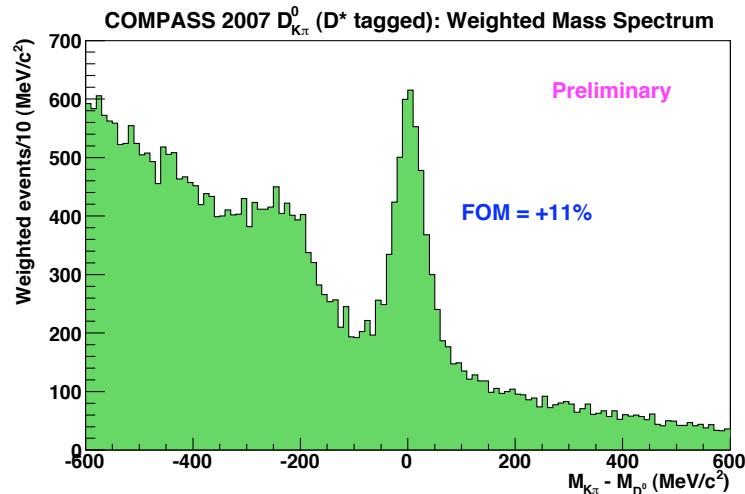
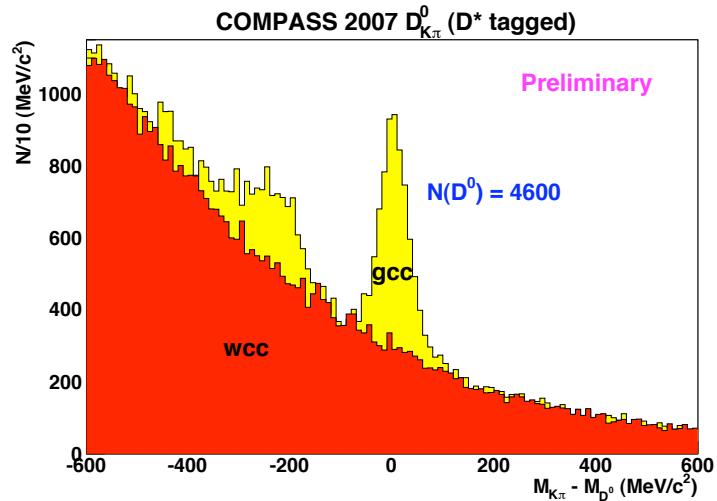
### Plans:

- Unpolarized  $D^0$  cross section, data/MC comparison and  $D^0$  production characteristic (new COMPASS paper).
- New tool - NLO MC for heavy quark photo-production available now for all calculations (*PhD, Tobias Töll, based on HERWIG generator, full NLO MC, PS+subtraction to avoid double counting, soft + virtual corrections as well*)
- New set of asymmetries in bins corresponding to the presented new LO result.
- Final NLO result based on these asymmetries with systematics error.

# Spares

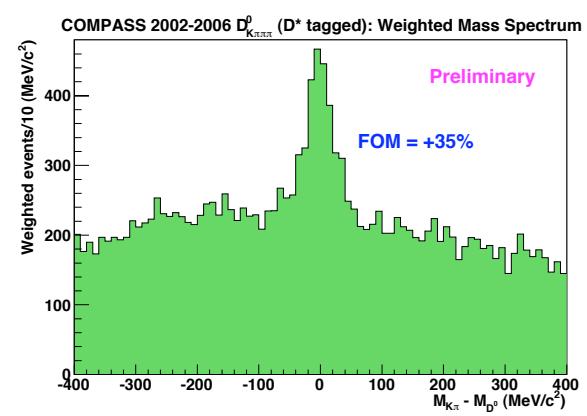
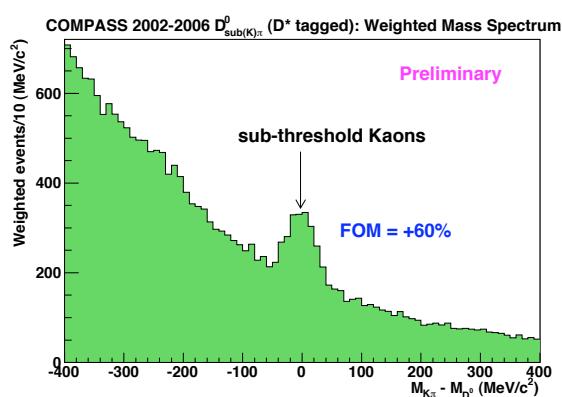
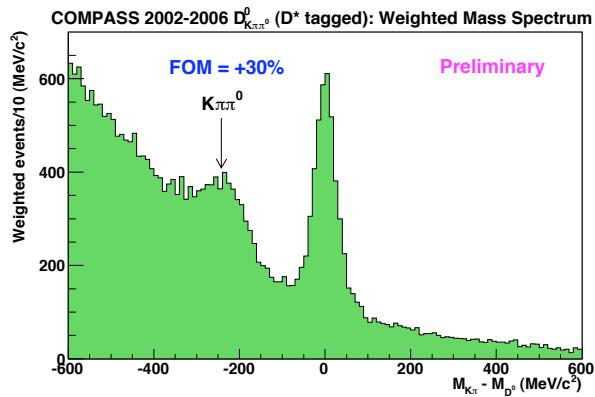
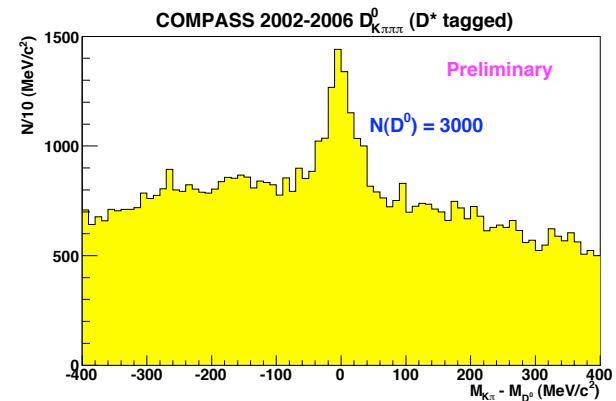
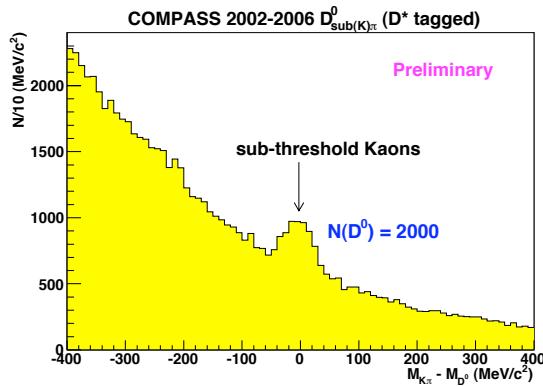
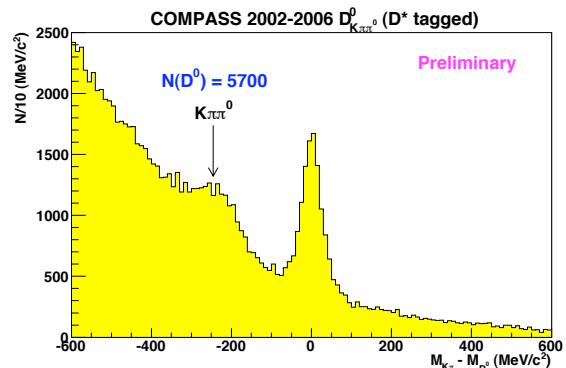
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s/(s+b): FOM improvement for main channels



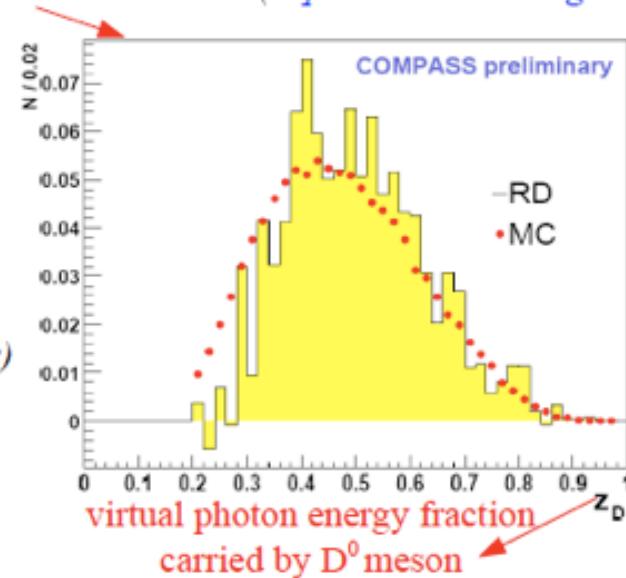
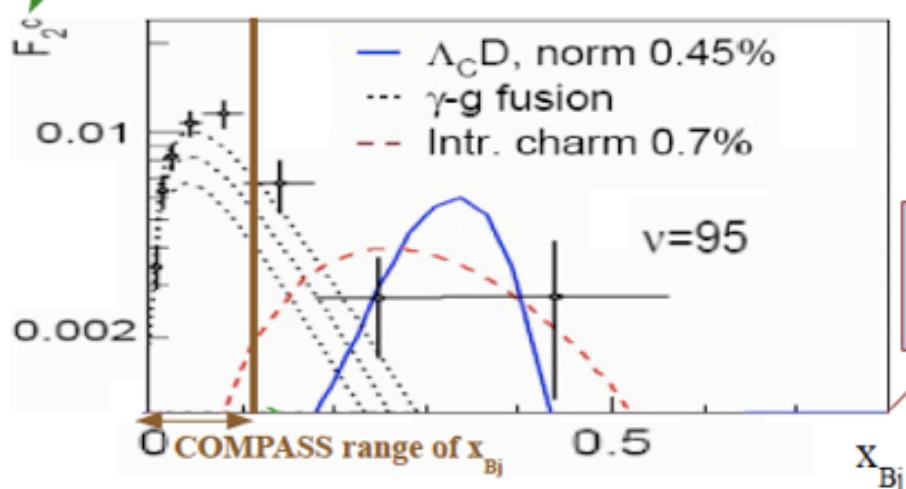
# Signal to background: FOM

$s/(s+b)$ : FOM improvement for low purity channels



- $\bar{c}c$  production is dominated by the PGF process, and free from physical background (*ideal for probing gluon polarisation*)

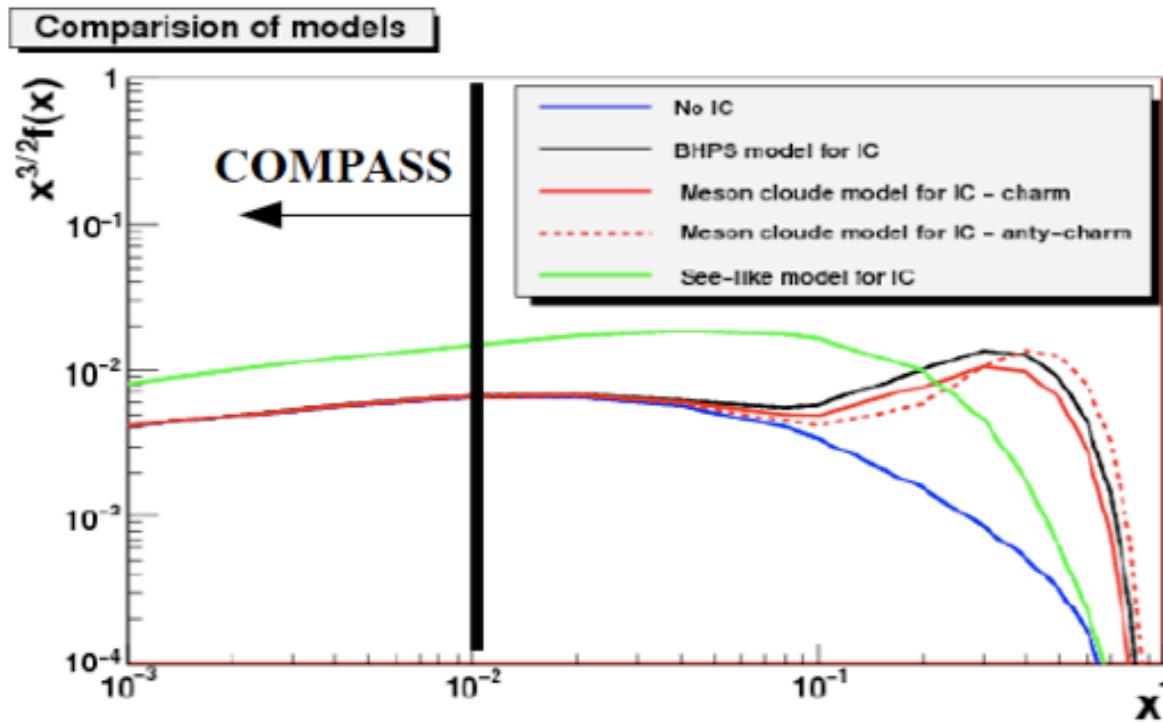
- In our center of mass energy, the contribution from intrinsic charm (*c quarks not coming from hard gluons*) in the nucleon is negligible
- Perturbative scale set by charm mass  $4m_c^2$
- Nonperturbative sea models predict at most 0.7% for intrinsic charm contribution
  - Expected at high  $x_{Bj}$  (*compass*  $x_{Bj} < 0.1$ )
- $\bar{c}c$  suppressed during fragmentation (*at our energies*)



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## Final Comments on intrinsic charm

- No intrinsic charm contamination is predicted by the theory driven results
- Only the more phenomenological “*See-like*” scenario should be taken into account (*under study*)



$x_G$ 

$$N = \alpha \left( 1 + fPD \frac{s}{s+b} \left( \hat{a}_{LL} \frac{\Delta G}{G} + \hat{a}_{LL}^q A_1^d \right) \right)$$

$$N' = \alpha \left( 1 - fPD \frac{s}{s+b} \left( \hat{a}_{LL} \frac{\Delta G}{G} + \hat{a}_{LL}^q A_1^d \right) \right)$$

$$A = \frac{N - N'}{N + N'} = fPD \frac{s}{s+b} \left( \hat{a}_{LL} \frac{\Delta G}{G} + \hat{a}_{LL}^q A_1^d \right)$$

$$v \equiv fPD \frac{s}{s+b}$$

$$\langle v \rangle - \langle v' \rangle = 2\alpha fPD v \frac{s}{s+b} \left( \hat{a}_{LL} \frac{\Delta G}{G} + \hat{a}_{LL}^q A_1^d \right) = 2\alpha v^2 \left( \hat{a}_{LL} \frac{\Delta G}{G} + \hat{a}_{LL}^q A_1^d \right)$$

$$A \equiv \frac{\langle v \rangle - \langle v' \rangle}{\langle v^2 \rangle + \langle v'^2 \rangle} = \frac{\langle v^2 \left( \hat{a}_{LL} \frac{\Delta G}{G} + \hat{a}_{LL}^q A_1^d \right) \rangle}{\langle v^2 \rangle}$$

$x_G$ 

$$\frac{\Delta G}{G} = a(x - \bar{x}) + b$$

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$$\frac{< v^2 a(x - \bar{x}) \hat{a}_{LL} >}{< v^2 >} + b \frac{< v^2 \hat{a}_{LL} >}{< v^2 >} + \frac{< v^2 \hat{a}_{LL}^q A_l^d >}{< v^2 >}$$

$$A = \frac{\Delta G}{G}(\bar{x}) < \hat{a}_{LL} >_{v^2} + < \hat{a}_{LL}^q A_l^d >_{v^2}$$

$$< v^2 a(x - \bar{x}) \hat{a}_{LL} > = 0 \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \frac{< v^2 \hat{a}_{LL} x >}{< v^2 \hat{a}_{LL} >} = \frac{< \hat{a}_{LL} x >_{v^2}}{< \hat{a}_{LL} >_{v^2}}$$

## Remark on D<sup>0</sup> anti-D<sup>0</sup> asymmetry

*LO:*

$$A^{\bar{D}^0/D^0} \approx -\frac{1}{4} \frac{\sigma^1 \otimes \frac{\Delta H^{\bar{D}^0}}{H^{\bar{D}^0}} H}{\sigma^0 \otimes H} = -\frac{1}{4} \frac{\int \frac{\Delta G}{G} \frac{\Delta H^{\bar{D}^0}}{H^{\bar{D}^0}} G \hat{\sigma}^{PGF,LO} H}{\int G \hat{\sigma}^{PGF,LO} H}$$

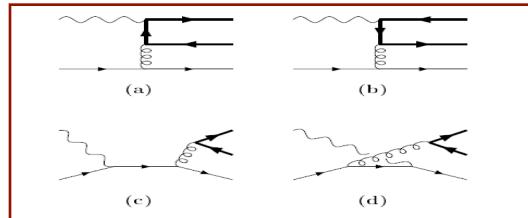
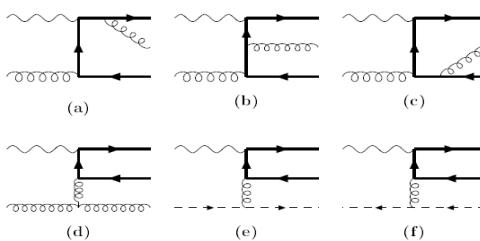
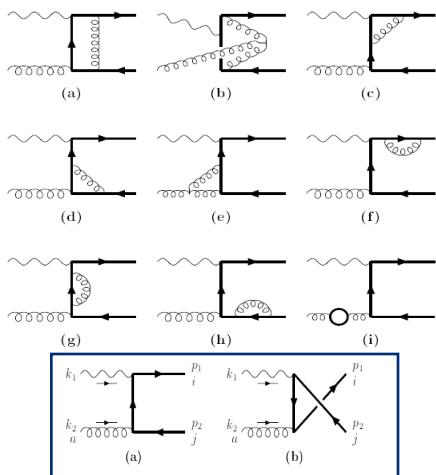
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## Gluon polarization in NLO QCD



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NLO corrections available only for photo-production limit.  $Q^2 = 0$   
 No problem for COMPASS: D – depolarization factor

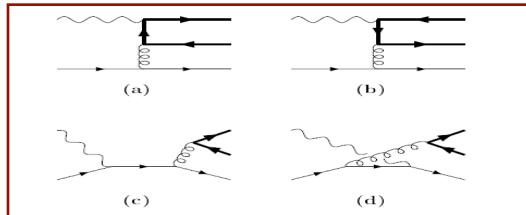
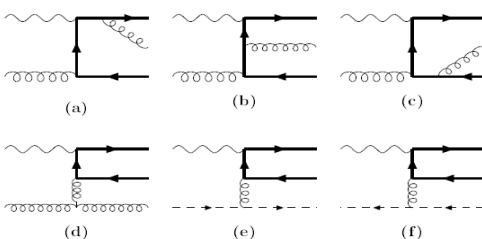
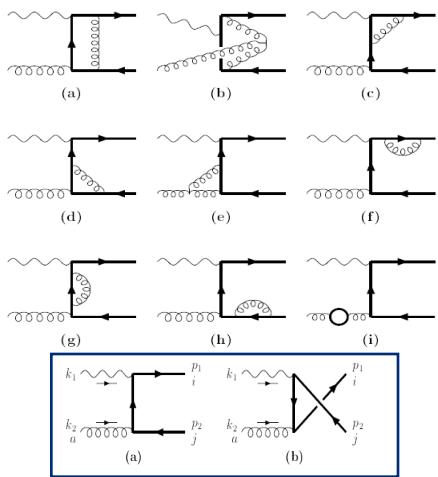
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←  $Q^2$  neglected in this parts -  
very good approximation

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## NLO QCD corrections

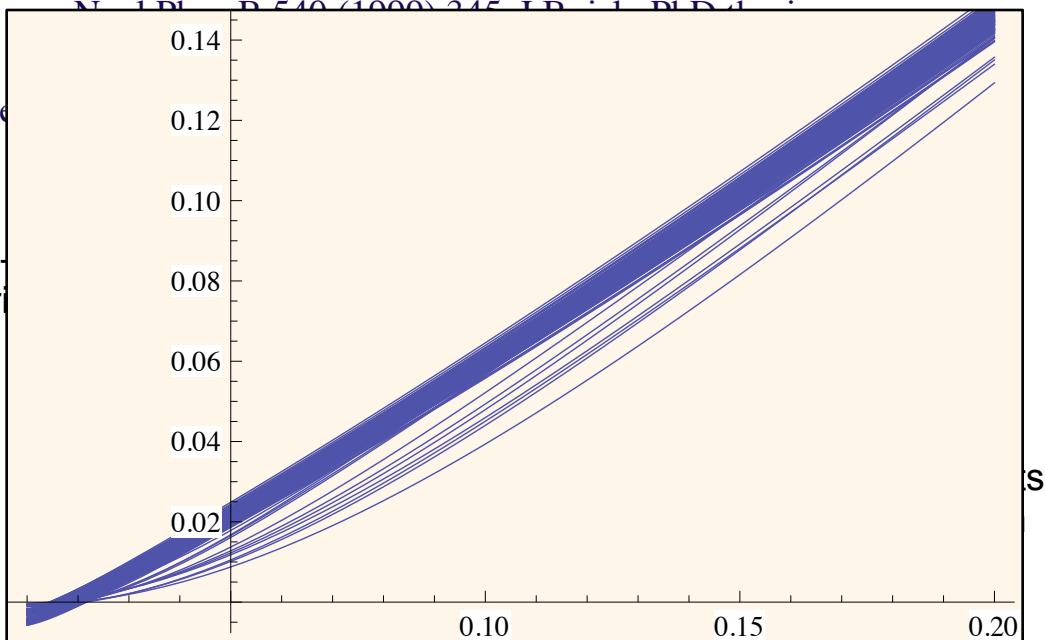
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N = 1 D = 510 (1000) 245 LP = 1 PLD = 1 .

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