RHIC Spin Program

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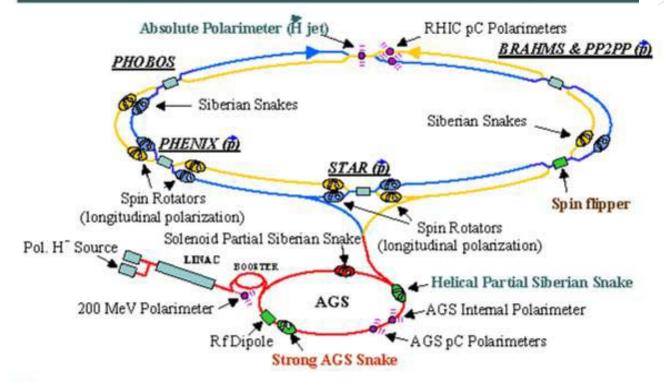
- Goals of RHIC Spin Program
- Tests of applicability of pQCD framework
- Status of longitudinal spin asymmetry measurements
- Transverse single spin effects in p+p collisions at \sqrt{s} =200 GeV



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RHIC pp accelerator complex





Installed and commissioned during run 4

To be commissioned

Installed/commissioned in run 5

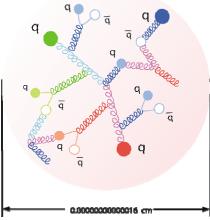
Developments for runs 2 (1/02), 3 (3/03 \rightarrow 5/03) and 4 (4/04 \rightarrow 5/04)

- Helical dipole snake magnets
- CNI polarimeters in RHIC,AGS
 - \rightarrow fast feedback

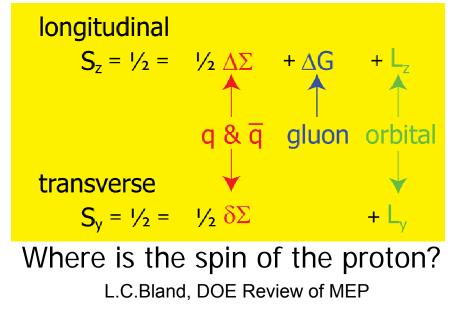
- $\beta^* = 1m$ operataion
- spin rotators \rightarrow longitudinal polarization
- polarized atomic hydrogen jet target L.C.Bland, DOE Review of MEP 2

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Motivation for RHIC Spin Program



The proton and neutron are the building blocks of atomic nuclei. We know they are built from quarks, antiquarks and gluons. The proton and neutron have fundamental properties of *mass* and *intrinsic spin*.



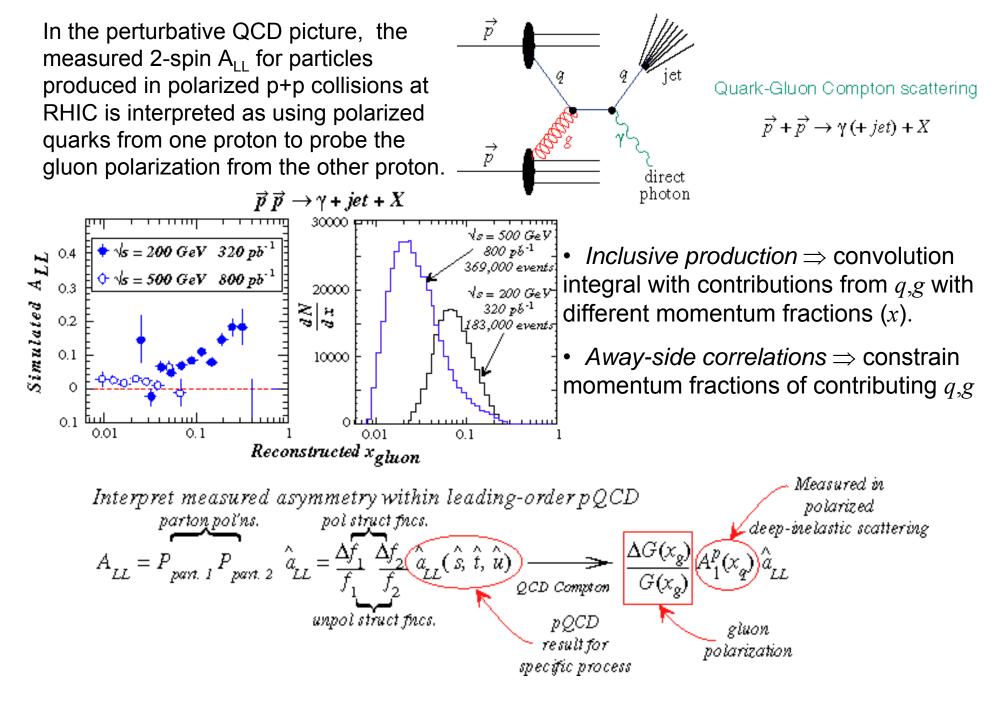
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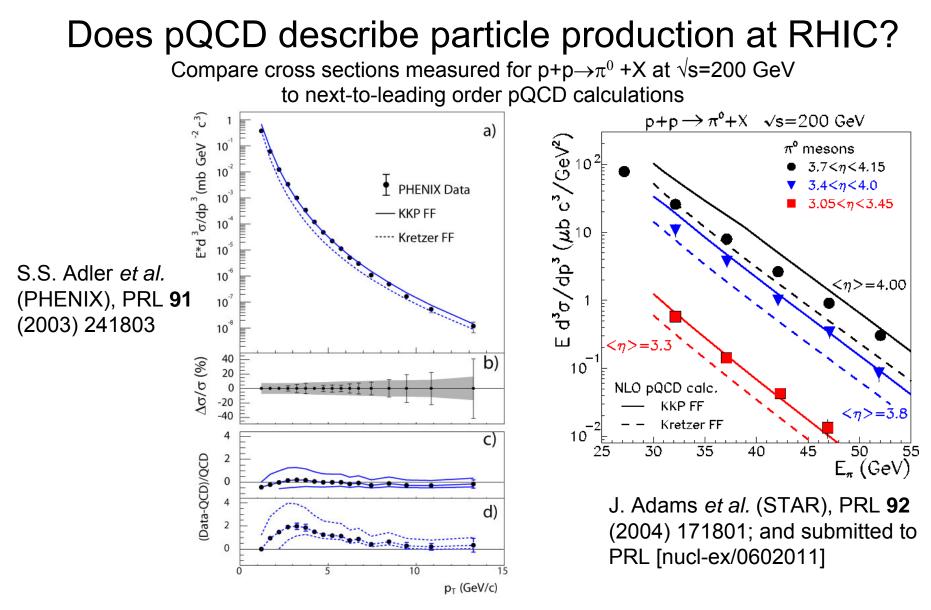
Goals of RHIC spin program

Present Milestones and Plans

- Direct measurement of polarized gluon distribution (∆G) using multiple probes
- Direct measurement of flavor identified *anti-quark polarization* using *parity violating production of* W[±]
- Transverse spin: Transversity ($\delta\Sigma$) & transverse spin effects with connections to orbital angular momentum (L_v)

Methods to Address Spin Structure at RHIC



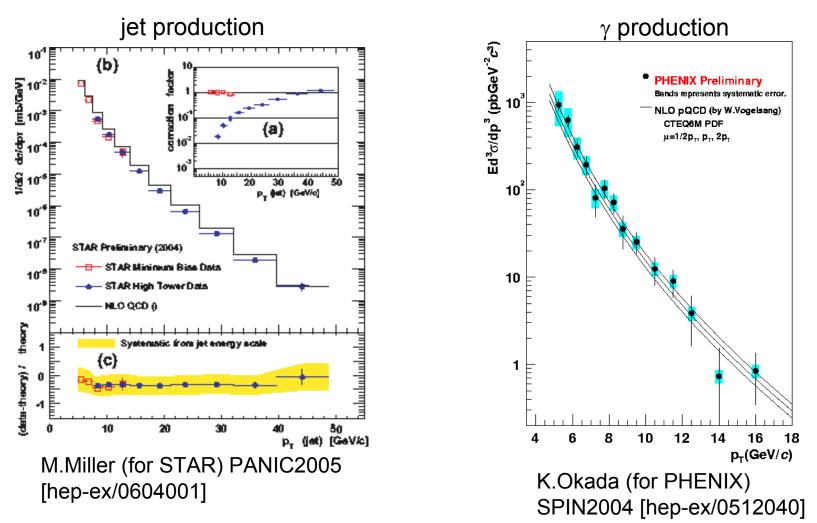


Particle production cross sections agree with NLO pQCD down to $p_T \sim 2$ GeV/c over a wide range, $0 < \eta < 3.8$, of pseudorapidity ($\eta = -\ln \tan \theta/2$).

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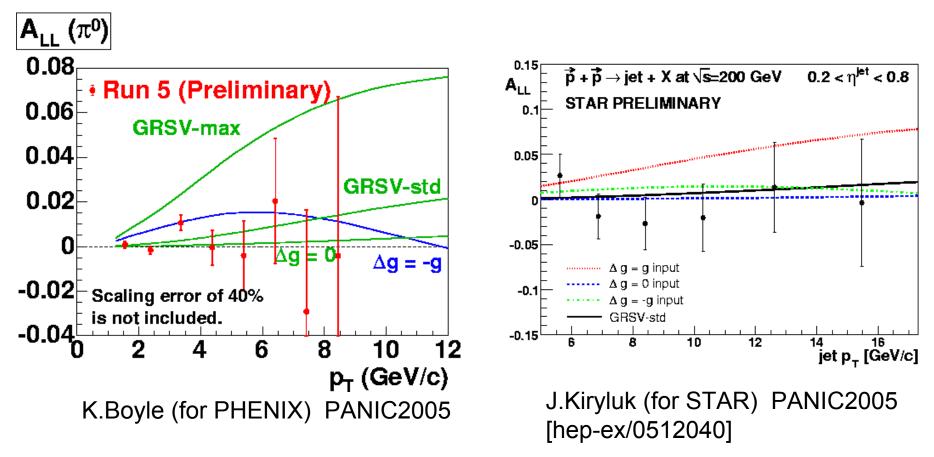
Does pQCD describe particle production at RHIC?

Production of jets and photons at midrapidity for \sqrt{s} =200 GeV

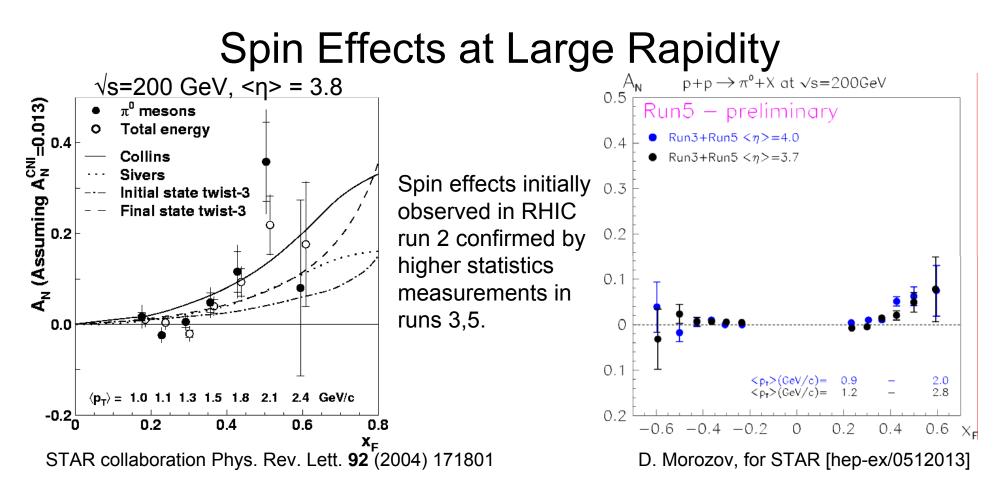


NLO pQCD is a robust framework for understanding spin observables at RHIC energies.

A_{LL} for π^0 and jet production



Precision of preliminary results available to date rule out maximal gluon polarization

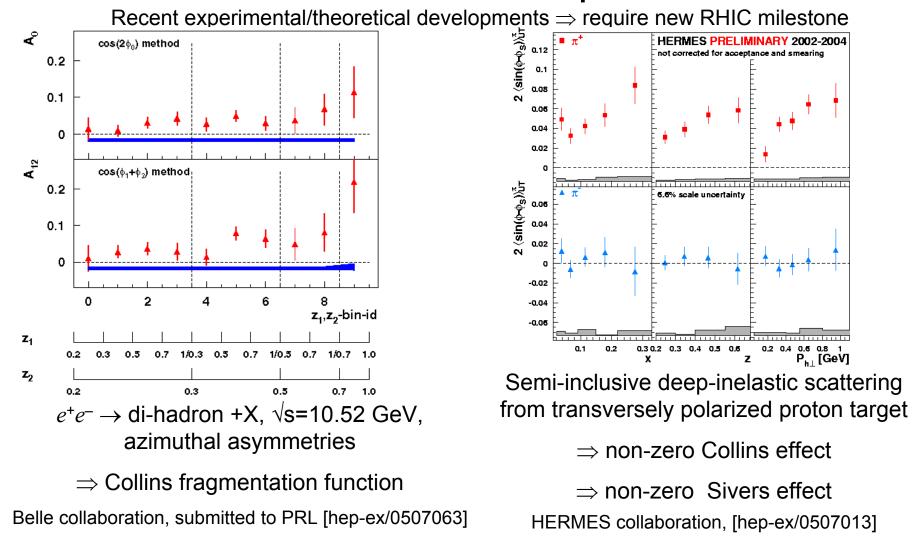


Similar to result from E704 experiment ($\sqrt{s}=20$ GeV, 0.5 < p_{τ} < 2.0 GeV/c)

Can be described by several models available as predictions:

- Qiu and Sterman (initial state) / Koike (final state): twist-3 pQCD calculations, multi-parton correlations
- Sivers: spin and k₁ correlation in parton distribution functions (initial state)
- Collins/Heppelmann: spin and k₁ correlation in fragmentation function (final state) 5/11/2006 L.C.Bland, DOE Review of MEP 9

Transverse Spin



 \Rightarrow Probe orbital angular momentum (Sivers effect) and transversity (Collins effect) via transverse single spin asymmetries in particle production at RHIC 5/11/2006 L.C.Bland, DOE Review of MEP 10

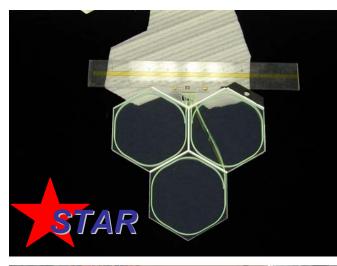
RHIC Spin – Plans and Status Summary

- RHIC spin, a world unique polarized proton collider, is addressing fundamental aspects of proton spin structure.
- Measured cross sections for particle production at RHIC energies agree with NLO pQCD down to $p_T \sim 2 \text{ GeV/c} \Rightarrow$ sound theoretical basis for understanding spin effects.
- First preliminary results for A_{LL} measured for π^0 and jet production rule out maximal gluon polarization. Improved precision, and A_{LL} for direct photon production, will determine gluon contribution to proton spin.
- Non-zero transverse single-spin effects are observed for π^0 production at large rapidity for p+p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV. Dynamical origin, and sensitivity to transversity and/or orbital motion, can be established by measurements with improved instrumentation at large rapidity.

Plans for Forward Particle Production and Spin Asymmetry Measurements at STAR

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- Contributions of BNL STAR spin group
- Physics motivations for Forward Meson Spectrometer
- Plans for ongoing RHIC run 6 and beyond

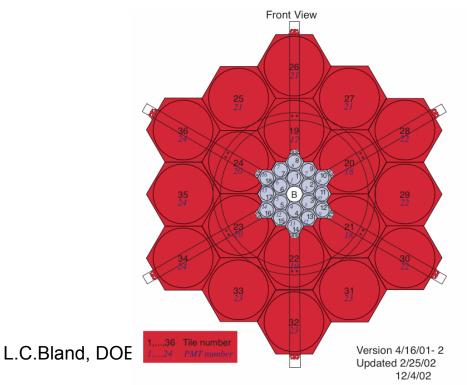




Beam Beam Counter

Scintillator annuli tiled by 1cm thick hex tiles with fiber-optic light collection $(2.5 < |\eta| < 5)$

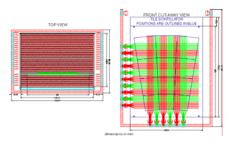
- Feed back to RHIC for p+p collision tuning at STAR
- Measure relative luminosity $\sim 10^{-3}$ level
- Measure absolute luminosity ~ 15% level
- Minimum bias trigger (covers $\sim 50\%$ of total σ)
- Measure multiplicity at forward rapidity
- A_N for forward charged particles \Rightarrow local polarimeter



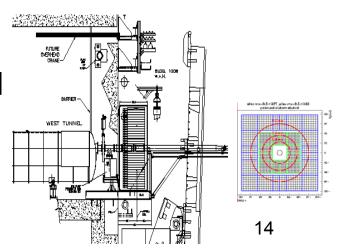
STAR Forward Calorimetry

Recent History and Plans

- Prototype FPD proposal Dec 2000
 - Approved March 2001
 - Run 2 polarized proton data (published 2004 spin asymmetry and cross section)
- FPD proposal June 2002
 - Review July 2002
 - Run 3 data pp dAu (Preliminary A_n Results)
- FMS Proposal: Complete Forward EM Coverage (hep-ex/0502040).

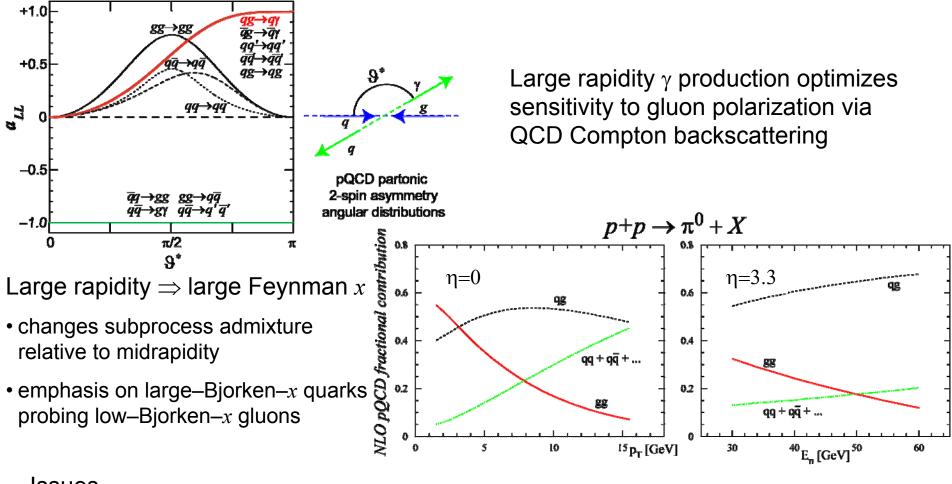






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Importance of rapidity for spin physics



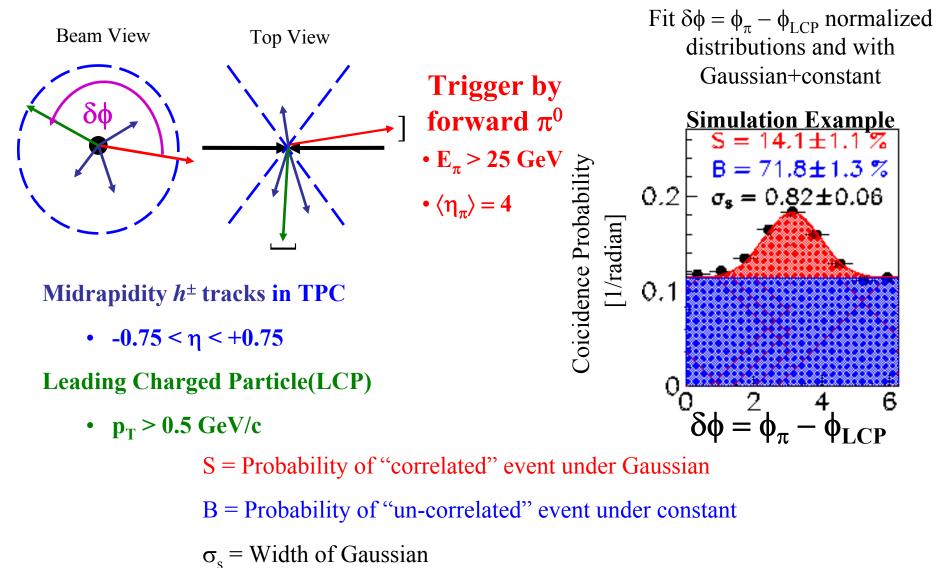
Issues –

- dominance of beam fragmentation at low $\sqrt{s} \Rightarrow$ addressed by σ at RHIC energies
- what is sufficient p_T? 5/11/2006

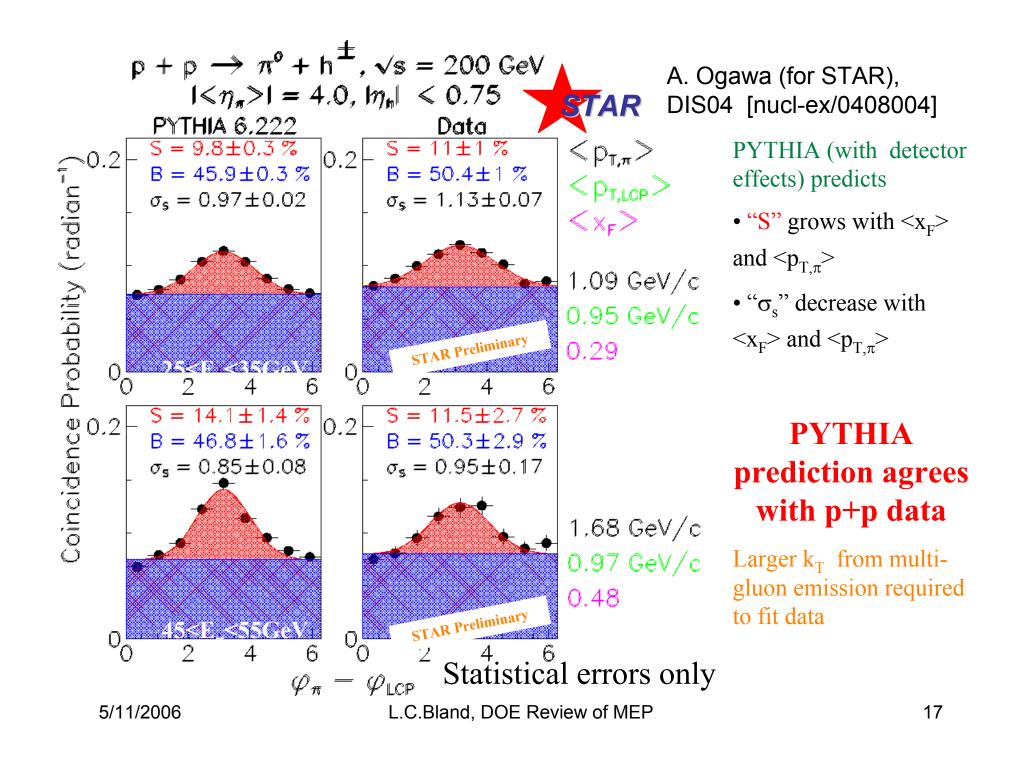
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Back-to-back Azimuthal Correlations with large $\Delta\eta$

Is forward production from partonic scattering?



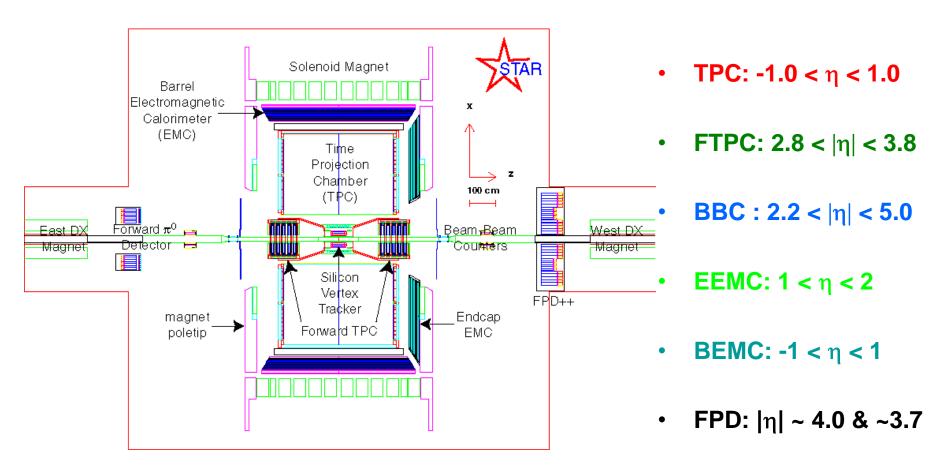
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Plans for Future Large Rapidity Studies STAR Forward Meson Spectrometer (FMS)

- STAR Forward Meson Spectrometer (FMS) planned for installation by RHIC run 7
- STAR Forward Pion Detector upgrade (FPD++) underway as an engineering test of the FMS during RHIC run 6
- \Rightarrow Disentangle the dynamical origins to transverse SSA in p+p collisions via measurements of A_N for
 - ➢ jet-like events
 - direct photon production

STAR Configuration for Run 6

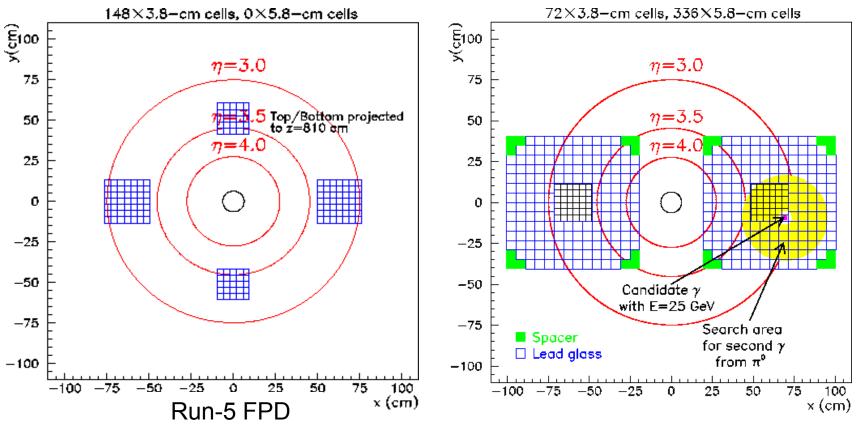


STAR characterized by azimuthally complete acceptance over broad range of pseudorapidity.

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FPD++ Physics for Run6

We have staged a large version of the FPD to prove our ability to detect jet-like events, direct photons, etc. with the STAR FMS

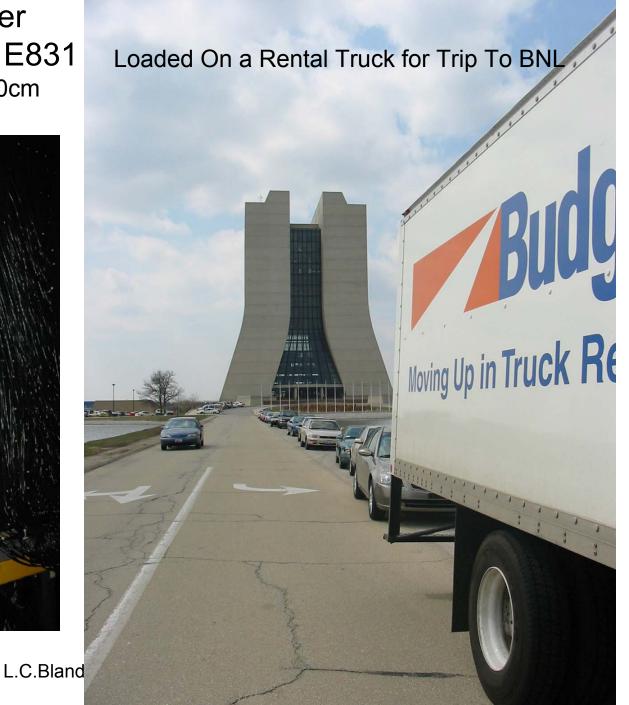


The center annulus of the run-6 FPD++ is similar to arrays used to measure forward π^0 SSA. The FPD++ annulus is surrounded by additional calorimetry to increase the acceptance for jet-like events and direct γ events.

New FMS Calorimeter Lead Glass From FNAL E831 804 cells of 5.8cm×5.8cm×60cm Schott F2 lead glass

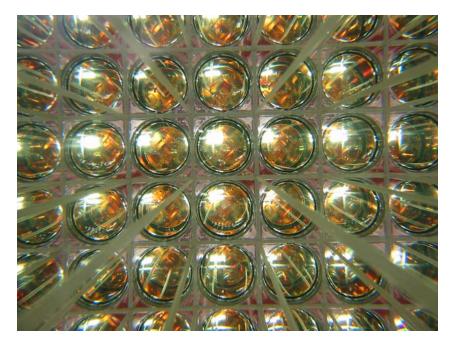


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Students prepare cells at test Lab at BNL

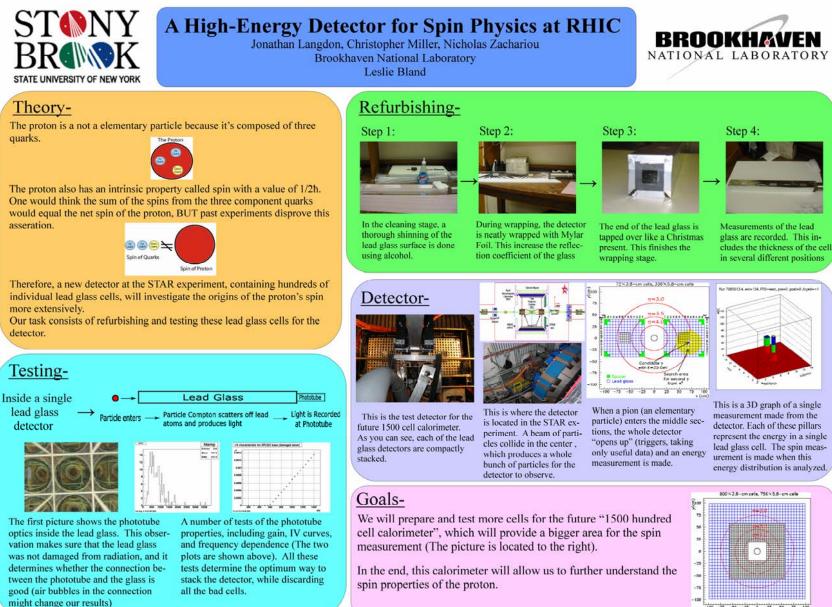




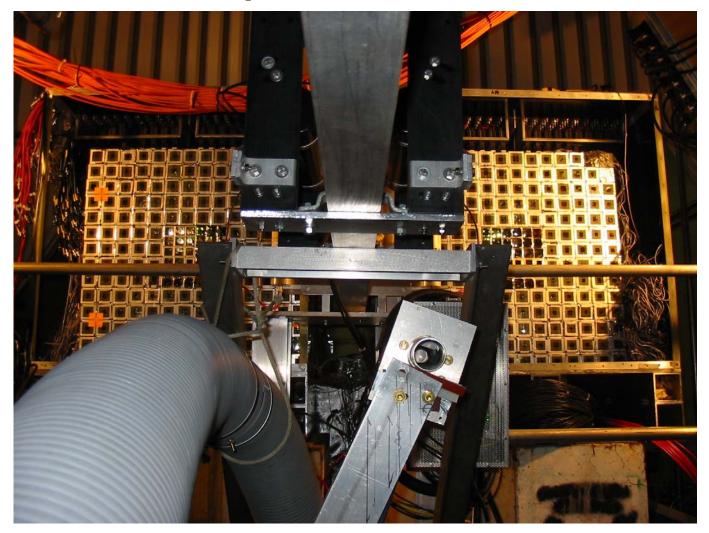
Individual lead glass detectors are prepared and tested prior to installation in the calorimeter. In total, 13 students have been involved to date in this work since May, 2005.

Student Participation

Stony Brook University Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity (URECA)



Completed FPD++

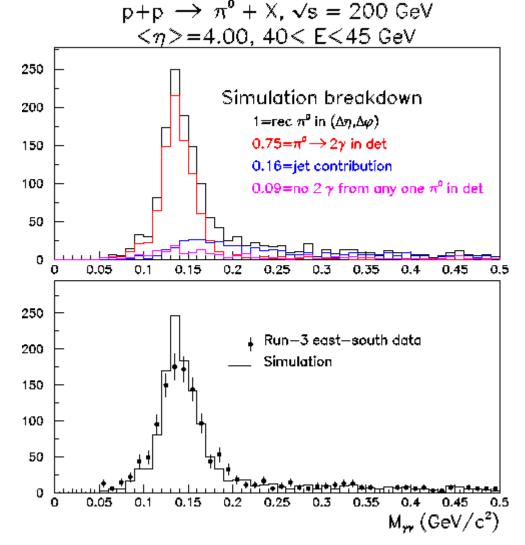


Provides left/right symmetric calorimeters for detection of jet-like events

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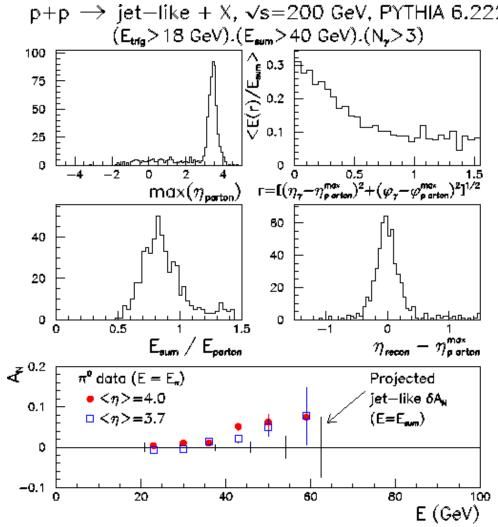
Jet-Like Events

- Is the single spin asymmetry observed for π^0 also present for the jet the π^0 comes from?
- Answer discriminates between Sivers and Collins contributions
- Trigger on energy in small cells, reconstruct π⁰ and measure the energy in the entire FPD++
- Average over the Collins angle and define a new x_F for the event, then measure analyzing power versus x_F



Expect that jet-like events are ~15% of π^0 events

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 $p+p \rightarrow jet-like + X, \sqrt{s}=200 \text{ GeV}, PYTHIA 6.222 Jet spin asymmetry$

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• N_{γ}>3 requirement should allow $\pi^0-\pi^0$ analysis

- (upper left) for each event, examine PYTHIA record for final-state hard scattered partons
 ⇒ event selection chooses jet-like events.
- (upper right) event-averaged correlation between photon energy and distance in η , ϕ space from thrust axis \Rightarrow events are expected to exhibit similar jet characteristics as found at $\eta \approx 0$
- (middle) multi-photon final states enable reconstruction of parent parton kinematics via momentum sum of observed photons.

• (bottom) projected statistical accuracy for data sample having 5 pb⁻¹ and 50% beam polarization.

Azimuthal symmetry of FPD++ around thrust axis, selected by E_{trig} condition, enables

- integration over the Collins angle \Rightarrow isolating the Sivers effect, or
- dependence on the Collins angle \Rightarrow isolating the Collins/Heppelmann effect

Three Highlighted Objectives In STAR Forward Meson Spectrometer Proposal [hep-ex/0502040]

F. Bieser², L. Bland¹, R. Brown¹, H. Crawford², A. Derevshchikov⁴, J. Drachenberg⁵, J. Engelage², L. Eun³, C. Gagliardi⁵, S. Heppelmann³, E. Judd², V. Kravtsov⁴, Yu. Matulenko⁴, A. Meschanin⁴, D. Morozov⁴, L. Nogach⁴, S. Nurushev⁴, A. Ogawa¹, C. Perkins², G. Rakness^{1,3}, K. Shestermanov⁴, and A. Vasiliev⁴

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 A d(p)+Au→π⁰π⁰+X measurement of the parton model gluon density distributions xg(x) in gold nuclei for 0.001< x <0.1. For 0.01<x<0.1, this measurement tests the universality of the gluon distribution.

DOE milestone

- 2. Characterization of correlated pion cross sections as a function of Q^2 (p_T^2) to search for the onset of gluon saturation effects associated with macroscopic gluon fields. (again d-Au)
- 3. Measurements with transversely polarized protons that are expected to resolve the origin of the large transverse spin asymmetries in reactions for forward π^0 production. (polarized pp)

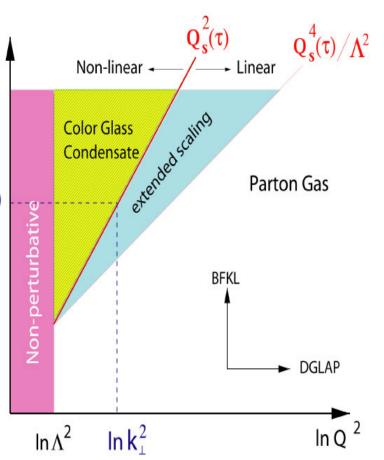
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New Physics at high gluon density

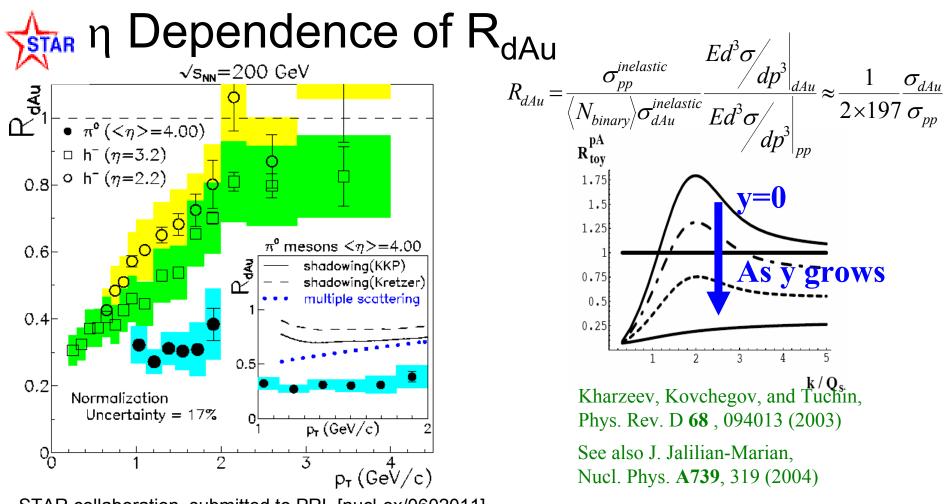
- 1. **Shadowing**. Gluons hiding behind other gluons. Modification of g(x) in nuclei. Modified distributions $\tau_s(k_{\perp})$ needed by codes that hope to calculate energy density after heavy ion collision.
- 2. **Saturation Physics**. New phenomena associated with large gluon density.
 - Coherent gluon contributions.
 - Macroscopic gluon fields.
 - Higher twist effects.
 - "Color Glass Condensate"

Figure 3 Diagram showing the boundary between possible "phase" regions in the $\tau = ln(1/x)$ vs ln Q² plane

Edmond Iancu and Raju Venugopalan, review for Quark Gluon Plasma 3, R.C. Hwa and X.-N. Wang (eds.), World Scientific, 2003 [hep-ph/0303204].



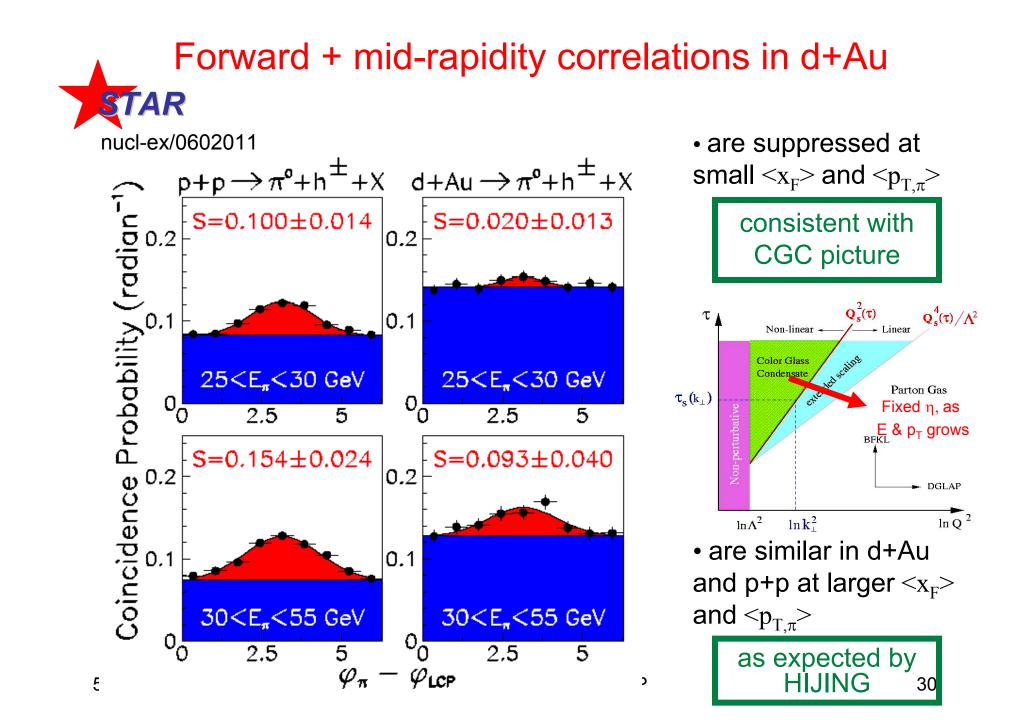
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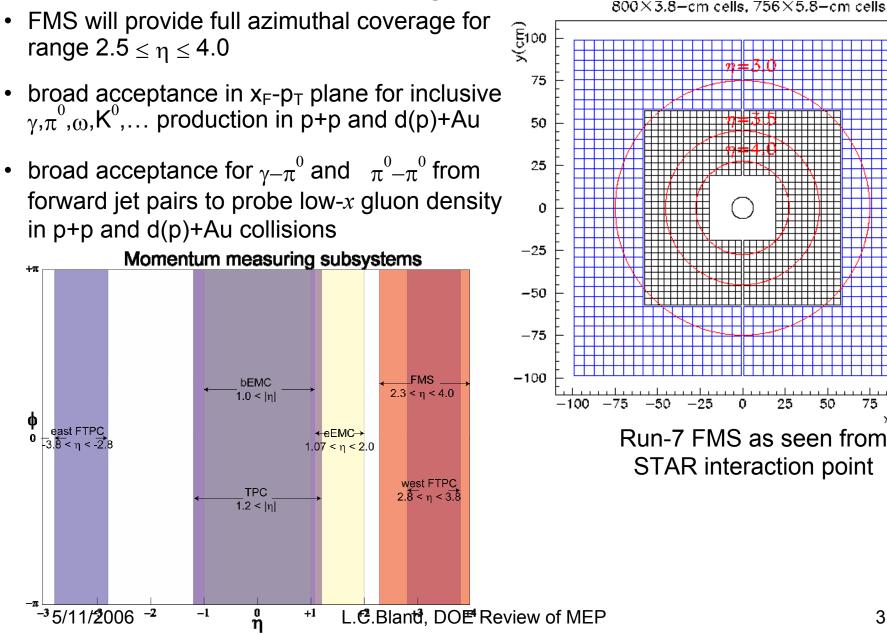
STAR collaboration, submitted to PRL [nucl-ex/0602011]

- From isospin considerations, $p + p \rightarrow h^-$ is expected to be suppressed relative to d
- + nucleon \rightarrow h⁻ at large η [Guzey, Strikman and Vogelsang, Phys. Lett. B 603, 173 (2004)]

Observe significant rapidity dependence similar to expectations from a "toy model" of R_{pA} within the Color Glass Condensate framework.
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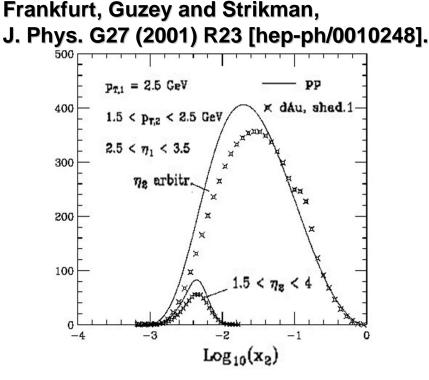


Forward Meson Spectrometer for Run 7



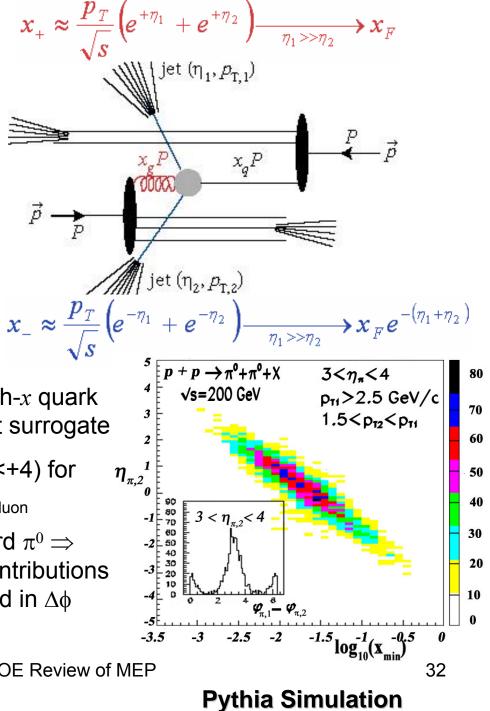
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x (cm)



• constrain *x* value of gluon probed by high-*x* quark by *detection of second hadron* serving as jet surrogate

- span broad pseudorapidity range (-1< η <+4) for second hadron \Rightarrow span broad range of x_{qluon}
- provide sensitivity to higher p_{T} for forward $\pi^{0} \Rightarrow$ reduce $2 \rightarrow 3$ (inelastic) parton process contributions thereby reducing uncorrelated background in $\Delta \phi$ correlation.



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BNL STAR Spin Group Staff: L. Bland, A. Ogawa, 1 additional staff (2006/7); 2 additional post docs (2006/7; 2007/8) Four-year plan (2007-2010)

2007 – complete FMS; measure gluon density in gold nucleus via d+Au collisions.

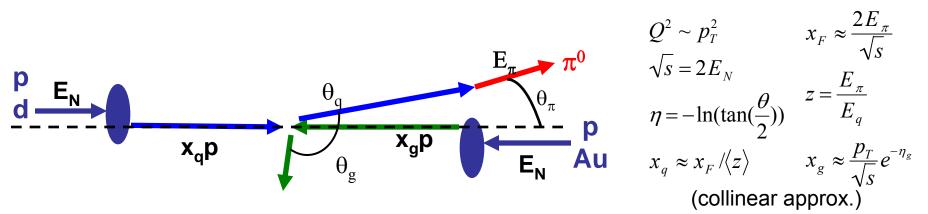
2008 – measure transverse spin asymmetries for $\pi^0 - \pi^0$ correlations.

2009 – complete A_{LL} measurements for prompt photon production, γ -jet and γ -hadron correlations at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV to probe $\Delta g(x)$; transverse spin asymmetries for inclusive production at $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV.

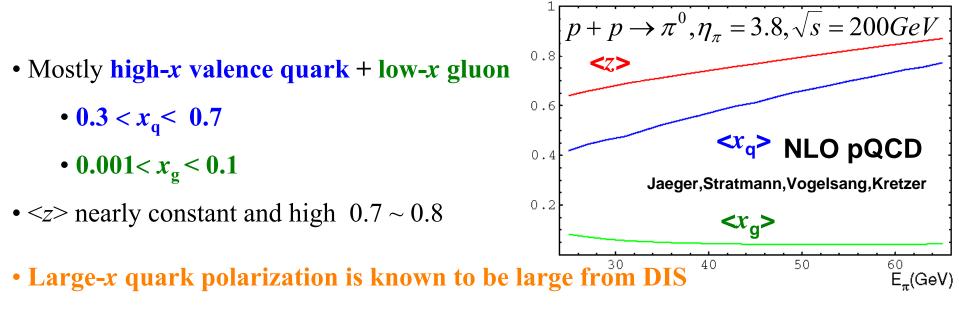
2010 – A_{LL} measurements for prompt photon production at \sqrt{s} = 500 GeV.

Backups

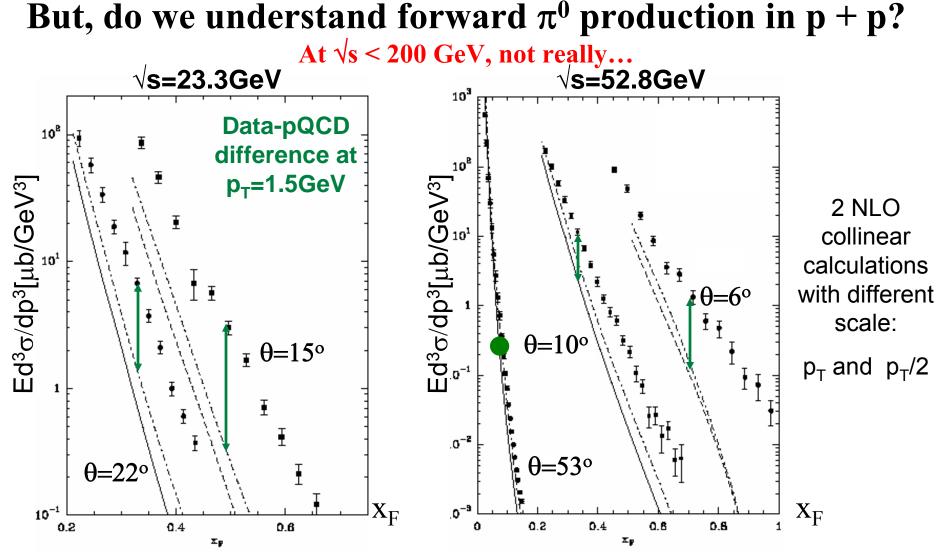
Forward π^0 production in hadron collider



• Large rapidity π production (η_{π} ~4) probes asymmetric partonic collisions



• Directly couple to gluons ⇒ probe of low *x* gluons 5/11/2006 L.C.Bland, DOE Review of MEP

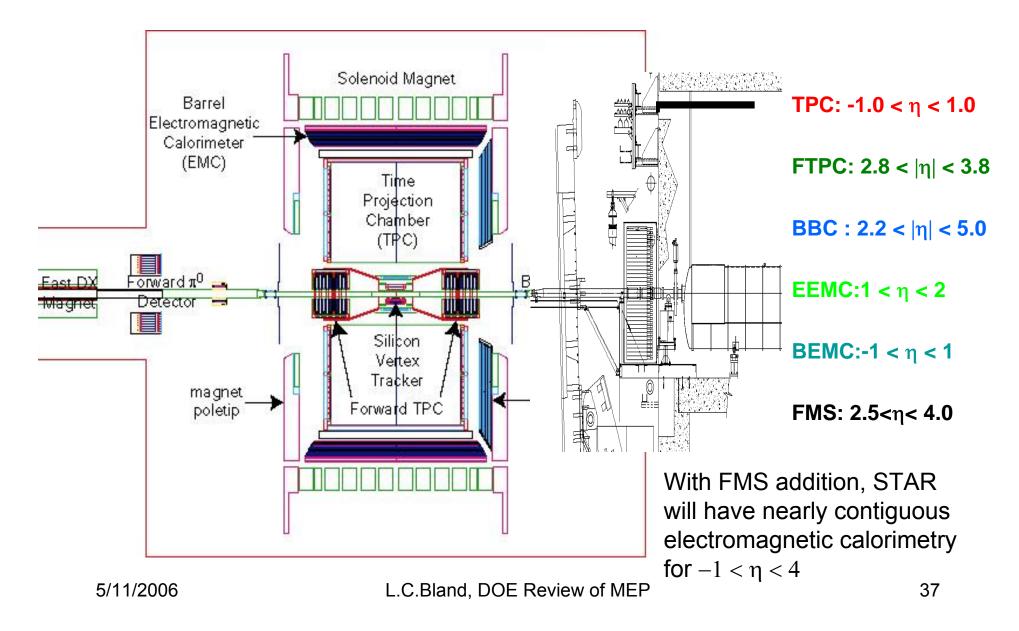


Bourrely and Soffer (hep-ph/0311110, Data references therein): NLO pQCD calculations underpredict the data at \sqrt{s} < 200 GeV (ISR and fixed target)

 $\sigma_{data}/\sigma_{pQCD}$ appears to be function of θ , $\int s$ in addition to p_T

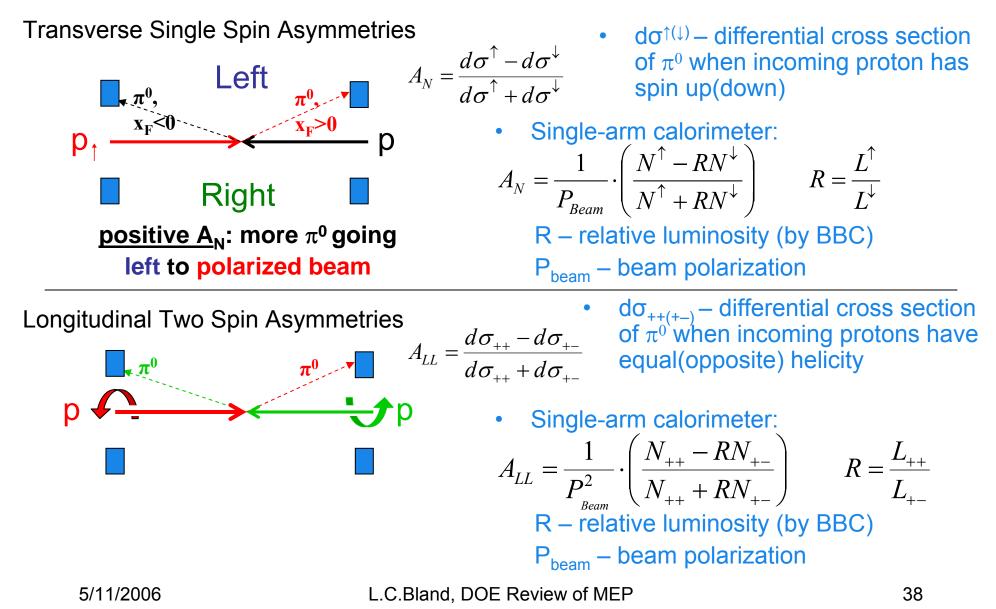


STAR detector layout with FMS



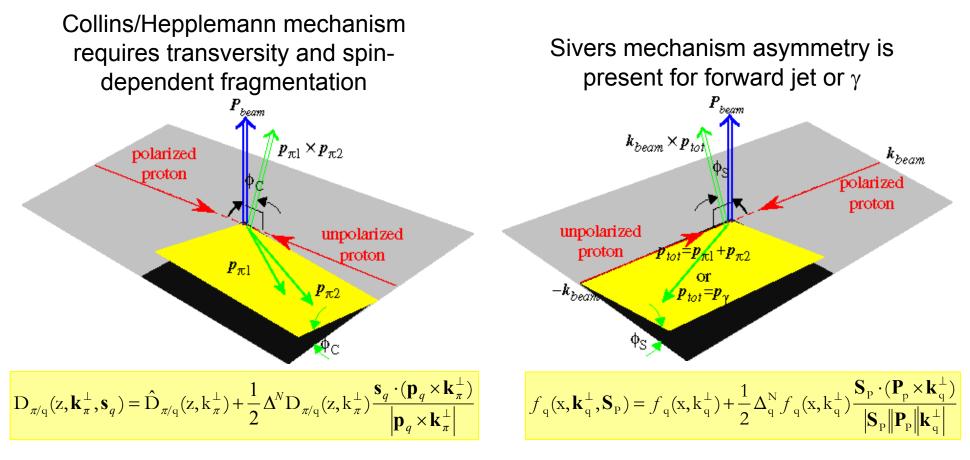
Spin Effects

Definitions of Measurements



Disentangling Dynamics of Single Spin Asymmetries

Spin-dependent particle correlations



Large acceptance of FMS will enable disentangling dynamics of spin asymmetries

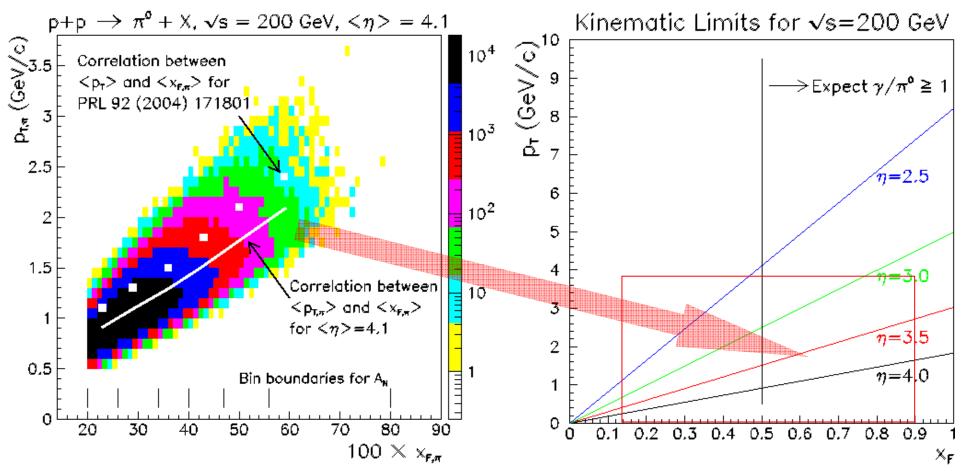
Basic physics Goals

Ideas to be tested using FPD++ in RHIC run 6

- Prototype for FMS (planned completion for RHIC run 7)
- Discriminate dynamical origin of the forward A_N
 - Measurement of jetlike events and $A_{\scriptscriptstyle N}$ for those
 - Similar to FPD (left/right symmetric) but with larger active area
 - Measure shape of forward jet
 - Measure direct photons cross section, possibly A_N , requiring separation of π^0 and direct gamma
- Continue the study of π^0 asymmetry in pp
- other

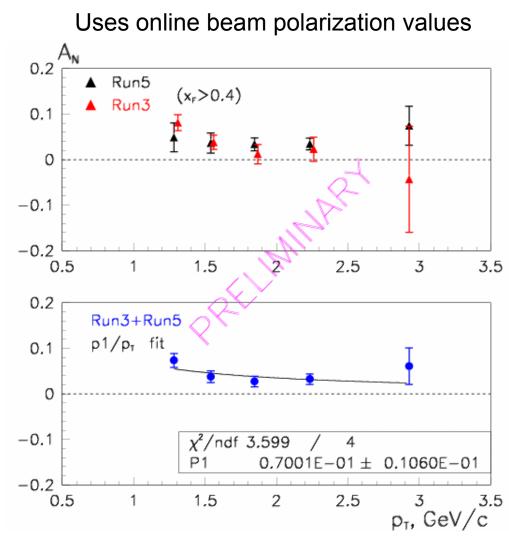


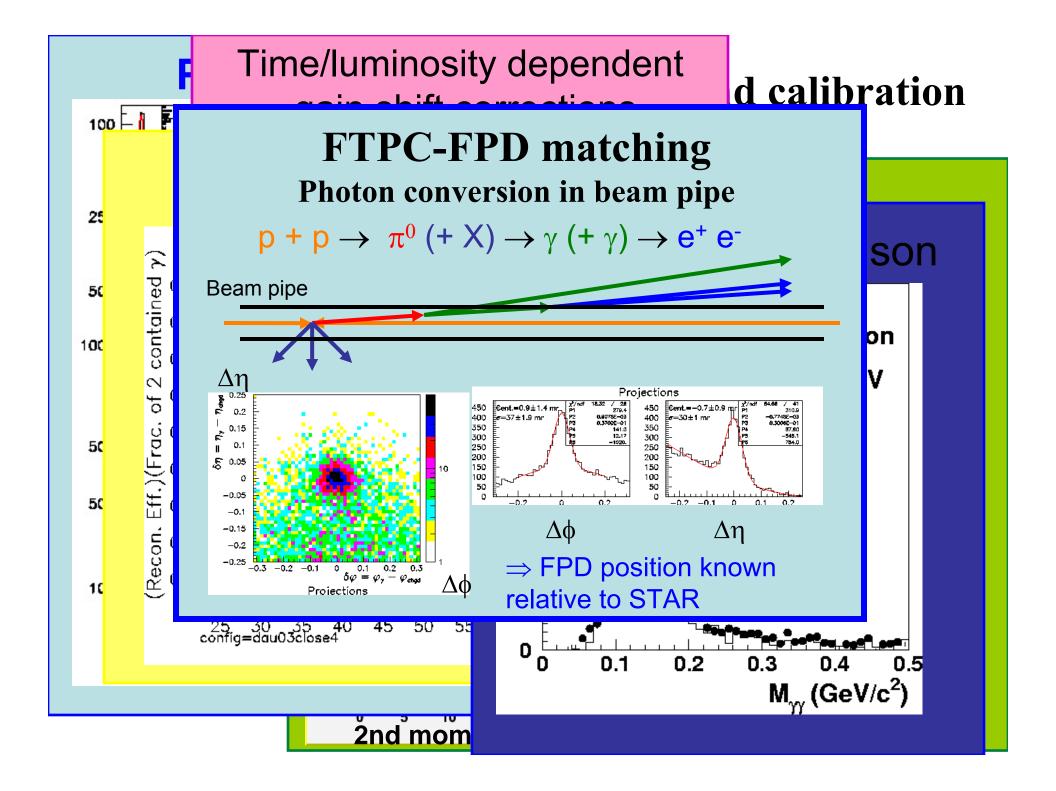
$x_{\rm F}$ and $p_{\rm T}$ range of FPD data



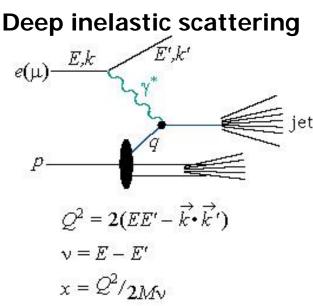
$A_N(p_T)$ from run3+run5 at $\sqrt{s}=200$ GeV

- Combined statistics from run3 and run5 with x_F>0.4
- There is evidence that analyzing power at x_F>0.4 decreases with increasing p_T
- To do: systematics study

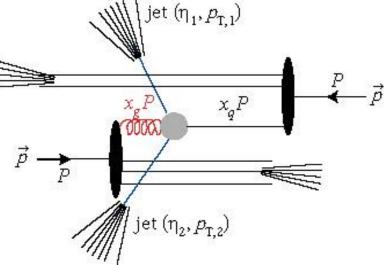




Why Consider Forward Physics at a Collider?



Hard scattering hadroproduction



 $x_{q} \approx P_{T} / \sqrt{s} \left(e^{+\eta_{1}} + e^{+\eta_{2}} \right)$ $x_{g} \approx P_{T} / \sqrt{s} \left(e^{-\eta_{1}} + e^{-\eta_{2}} \right)$

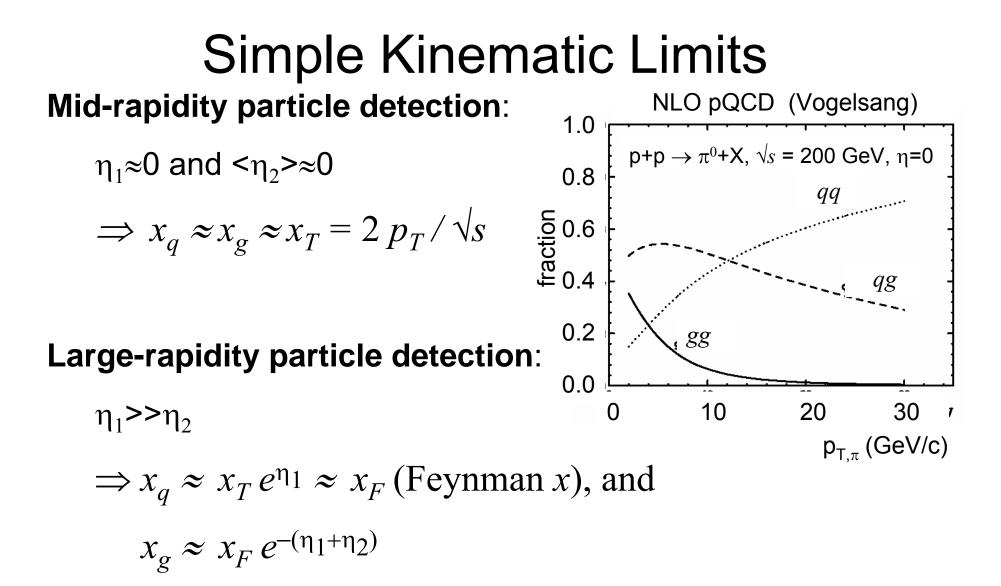
Can Bjorken x values be selected in hard scattering?

Assume:

- 1. Initial partons are collinear
- 2. Partonic interaction is elastic

 $\Rightarrow p_{T,1} \approx p_{T,2}$

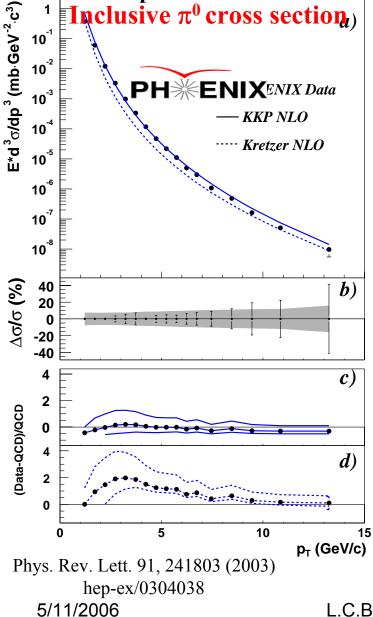
Studying pseudorapidity, η =-ln(tan θ /2), dependence of particle production probes parton distributions at different Bjorken *x* values and involves different admixtures of *gg*, *qg* and *qq*' subprocesses.

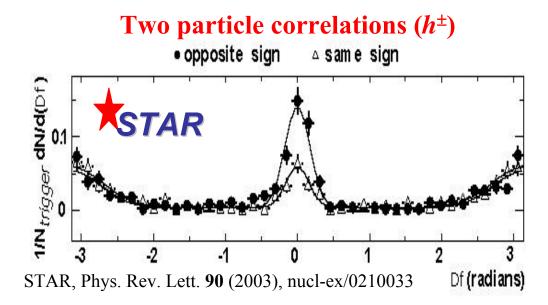


⇒ Large rapidity particle production and correlations involving large rapidity particle probes low-x parton distributions using valence quarks
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How can one infer the dynamics of particle production?

Particle production and correlations near $\eta \approx 0$ in p+p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV

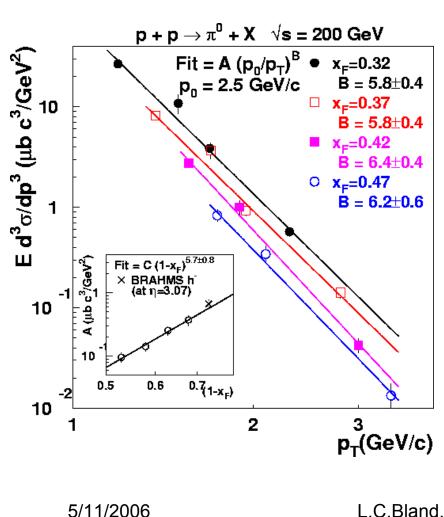


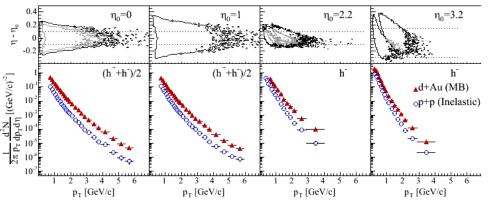


At $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV and mid-rapidity, both NLO pQCD and PYTHIA explains p+p data well, down to p_T~1GeV/c, consistent with partonic origin

Do they work for forward rapidity?

Towards establishing consistency between FPD (π^0)/BRAHMS(h^-)





Extrapolate x_F dependence at p_T =2.5 GeV/c to compare with BRAHMS h^- data. Issues to consider:

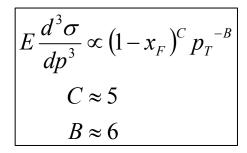
• < η > of BRAHMS data for 2.3<p_T<2.9 GeV/c bin. From Fig. 1 of PRL 94 (2005) 032301 take < η >=3.07 \Rightarrow < x_F >=0.27

• π^-/h^- ratio?

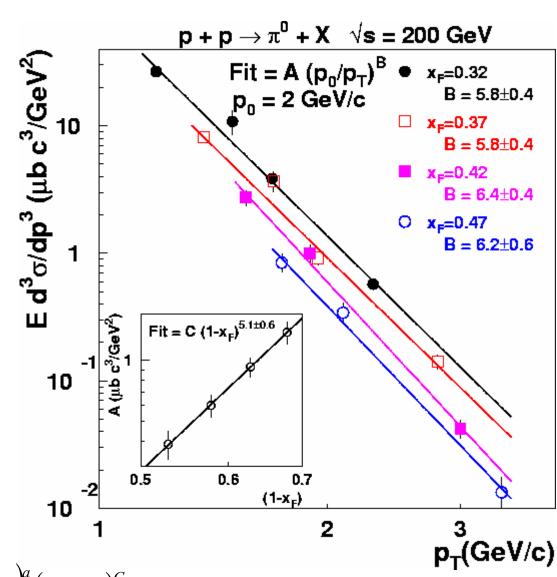
Results appear consistent but have insufficient accuracy to establish p+p $\rightarrow \pi^{-}/\pi^{0}$ isospin effects

STAR-FPD Cross Sections

Similar to ISR analysis J. Singh, et al Nucl. Phys. B140 (1978) 189.



Expect QCD scaling of form:



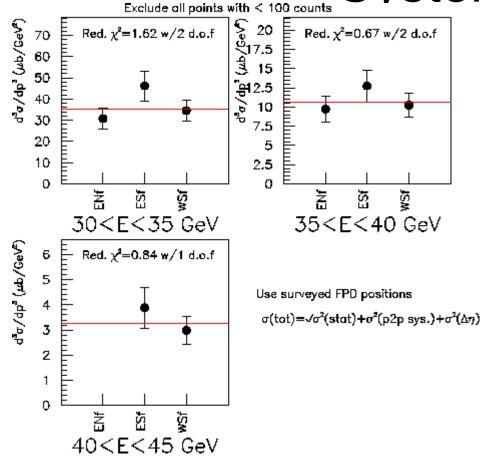
$$E\frac{d^{3}\sigma}{dp^{3}} \propto x_{T}^{-a}(1-x_{F})^{C} p_{T}^{-n} = \left(\sqrt{s}/2\right)^{a}(1-x_{F})^{C} p_{T}^{-n-a} \Longrightarrow B = n+a$$

 \Rightarrow Require \sqrt{s} dependence to disentangle $p_{\rm T}$ and $x_{\rm T}$ dependence

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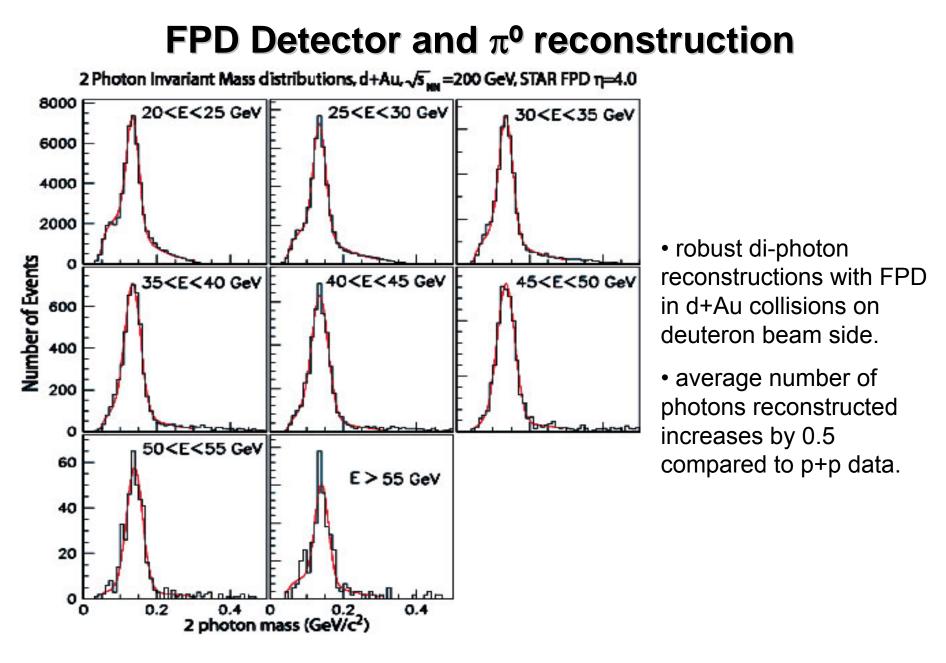




Measurements utilizing independent calorimeters consistent within uncertainties

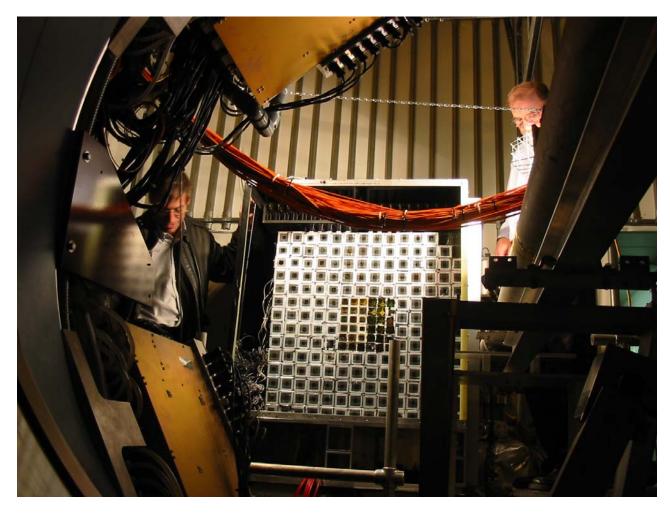
Systematics:

- Normalization uncertainty = 16%:
 position uncertainty (dominant)
- Energy dependent uncertainty = 13% 27%:
 energy calibration to 1% (dominant)
 - background/bin migration correction
 - kinematical constraints

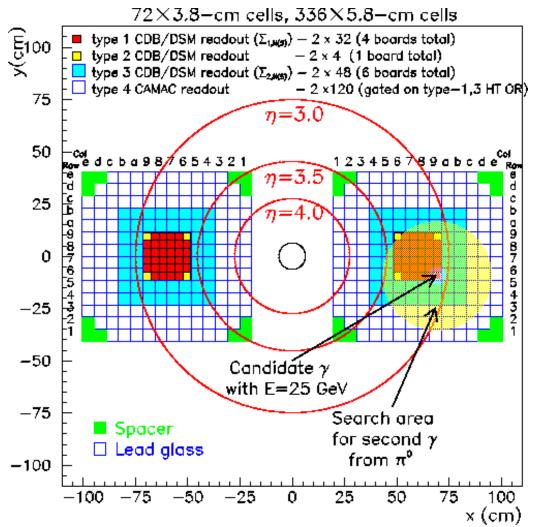


Status report

- Calorimeter cells for free thanks to FNAL / U.Col. and Protvino
- Cells were refurbished and tested at BNL
- South calorimeter in place on new FMS platform, readout electronics in place and tested
- In situ cell-by-cell tests followed installation



Planned readout



• Trigger on summed energy

 $\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{trig}}$ is energy sum from only the small cells of one calorimeter

Determine total energy for event

 ${\sf E}_{\sf sum}$ is the energy sum from all cells of one calorimeter

• Photon and π^0 finding will be based on existing FPD software

 \Rightarrow Reconstruct photon multiplicity (N_y); π^0 ,... invariant mass; etc.

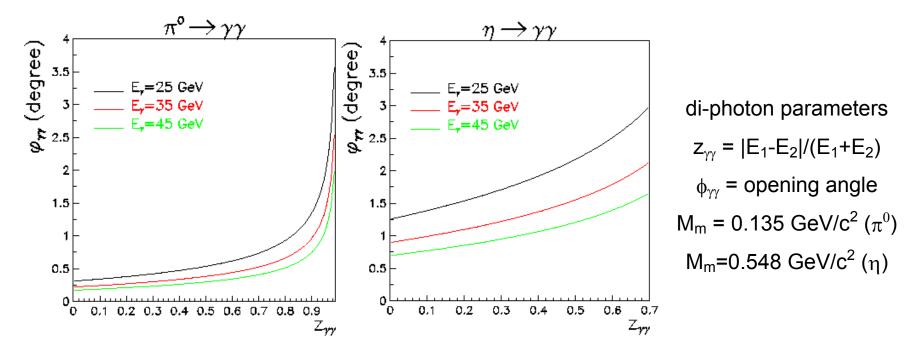
How do we detect direct photons?

Isolate photons by having sensitivity to partner in decay of known particles:

$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$	M=0.135 GeV	BR=98.8%
${\sf K}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0} ightarrow {\sf \pi}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0} {\sf \pi}^{\scriptscriptstyle 0} ightarrow { m gamma} \gamma \gamma \gamma \gamma$	0.497	31%
$\eta \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$	0.547	39%
$\omega {\rightarrow} \pi^0 \gamma {\rightarrow} \gamma \gamma \gamma$	0.782	8.9%

Detailed simulations underway

Where do decay partners go?

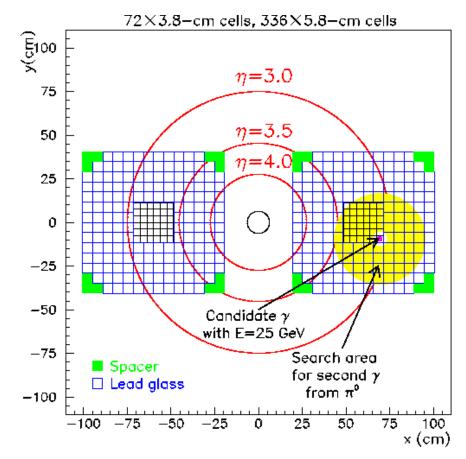


for candidate photon with $E_1 = E_{\gamma}$,

$$E_{2} = \frac{1 - z_{\gamma\gamma}}{1 + z_{\gamma\gamma}} E_{\gamma}, \text{ gives the energy of second photon}$$
$$\sin \frac{\phi_{\gamma\gamma}^{\text{max}}}{2} = \frac{M_{m}c^{2}}{2E_{\gamma}} \sqrt{\frac{1 + z_{\gamma\gamma}}{1 - z_{\gamma\gamma}}}, \quad \sin \frac{\phi_{\gamma\gamma}^{\text{min}}}{2} = \frac{M_{m}c^{2}}{E_{1} + E_{2}} = \frac{1}{\gamma_{m}} \text{ give max} \text{ and min opening angle}$$

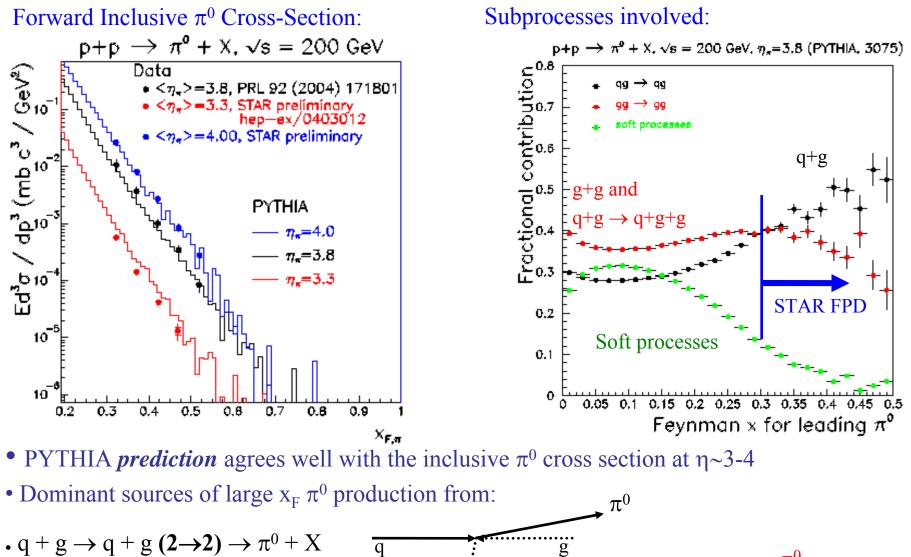
- · Gain sensitivity to direct photons by ensuring we have high probability to catch decay partners
- This means we need dynamic range, because photon energies get low (~0.25 GeV), and sufficient area (typical opening angles are only a few degrees at our η ranges).

Sample decays on FPD++



With FPD++ module size and electronic dynamic range, have >95% probability of detecting second photon from π^0 decay.

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• $q + g \rightarrow q + g + g (2 \rightarrow 3) \rightarrow \pi^0 + X$

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d+Au $\rightarrow \pi^0 + \pi^0 + X$, pseudorapidity correlations with forward π^0 HIJIING 1.381 Simulations

• increased p_{T} for forward π^{0} over run-3 results is expected to reduce the background in $\Delta \phi$ correlation

• detection of π^0 in interval -1< η <+1 correlated with forward π^0 (3< η <4) is expected to probe $0.01 < x_{gluon} < 0.1 \Rightarrow$ provides a universality test of nuclear gluon distribution determined from DIS

• detection of π^0 in interval 1< η <4 correlated with forward π^0 (3< η <4) is expected to probe 0.001< x_{qluon} <0.01 \Rightarrow smallest *x* range until eRHIC

• at d+Au interaction rates achieved at the end of run-3 (R_{int}~30 kHz), expect 9,700±200 (5,600±140) $\pi^{0}-\pi^{0}$ coincident events that probe 0.001< x_{gluon} <0.01 for "no shadowing" ("shadowing") scenarios.

