### **RHIC Polarimetry**

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## **Polarization Measurements**



Absolute polarization

#### p-Carbon

Polarization profile Polarization vs time in a fill Bunch-by-bunch polarizations Fill-by-fill polarizations

#### **Local Polarimeters**

Monitor spin direction at collision regions (Confirmation of long. polarization)

Capable to monitor polarization decay vs time in a fill and bunch-by-bunch polarization

# HJet

Left-right asymmetry in elastic scattering: Interference between electromagnetic and hadronic amplitudes in the Coulumb-Nuclear Interference (CNI) region

$$A_N \approx \operatorname{Im} \left( \phi_{SF}^{em} \phi_{NF}^{had} + \phi_{SF}^{had} * \phi_{NF}^{em} \right) / \left| \phi_{NF}^{had} \right|^2$$



P<sub>target</sub> is provided by Breit Rabi Polarimeter



# HJet: P<sub>target</sub>

Source of normalization for polarization measurements at RHIC



Polarization cycle (+/0/-) = (500/50/500) seconds

Very stable for entire run period !

Nuclear polarization of the atoms measured by BRP:  $95.8\% \pm 0.1\%$ 



Correct for H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O contamination.



#### HJet: Identification of Elastic Events



Array of Si detectors measures  $T_R \& ToF$  of recoil proton. Channel # corresponds to recoil angle  $\theta_R$ . Correlations ( $T_R \& ToF$ ) and ( $T_R \& \theta_R$ )  $\rightarrow$  the elastic process

### HJet:

#### Example from Run6



# HJet



Agreement within stat. errors

HJet performance is very stable through the Years Background is small and doesn't change from Year to Year, for Blue and Yellow (within 2-3%)

 $\Rightarrow$  Beam polarization is measured reliably by HJet

# Hjet: Two Beam Mode



#### Yellow beam on target



#### Blue beam on target



#### Both beams on target



- ✓ Background level is the same as in single beam mode
- Will allow to monitor both beam polarizations by HJet simultaneously in all fills



# HJet: $A_N$ in pp



$$A_N \approx \operatorname{Im}\left(\phi_{SF}^{em}\phi_{NF}^{had} + \phi_{SF}^{had}*\phi_{NF}^{em}\right) / \left|\phi_{NF}^{had}\right|^2$$

 $\mathcal{E}_{target}$ 

arget

100 GeV: calculations with no hadronic spin flip amplitude contribution are consistent with data

24 GeV: calculations with no hadronic spin flip amplitude contribution are not consistent with data

 $A_N$  almost constant vs beam energy  $\rightarrow$ Reliable polarimetry in wide range of beam energies

More data to come: 24 GeV: take more data in Run9/10 31 GeV: finalize analysis of data from Run6 250 GeV: take data in Run9/10

### pC:

Left-right asymmetry in elastic scattering: Interference between electromagnetic and hadronic amplitudes in the Coulumb-Nuclear Interference (CNI) region



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pC: A<sub>N</sub>

Elastic scattering: interference between electromagnetic and hadronic amplitudes in the Coulumb-Nuclear Interference (CNI) region

$$A_N \approx C_1 \phi_{flip}^{em} \phi_{non-flip}^{had} + C_2 \phi_{non-flip}^{em} \phi_{flip}^{had}$$



# pC: goals/strategy

#### Polarization measurements for experiments

#### Target Scan mode

Provides polarization at beam center, polarization profile, average polarization over profile

#### 20-30 sec per measurement For stat. precision 2-3%

#### 4-5 measurements per fill, per ring Controls polarization decay vs time in a fill

#### Polarization profile, both vertical and horizontal

#### Normalized to HJet measurements over many fills Knowledge on polarization profile in one transverse direction is required

#### Fill-by-fill polarization

Knowledge on polarization profile in both transverse directions is required

#### Feedback for accelerator experts

Beam emittance measurements, bunch-by-bunch Polarization Polarization profile, both vertical and horizontal Polarization at injection (and polarization loss in transfer) Polarization on the ramp (and polarization loss during ramp)

### pC: polarization in a fill



Some fills may show polarization decay vs time Run6: average polarization drop during a fill 0.3-0.4% per hour

### pC: Polarization Profile

#### Examples of pC measurements in Run5



Beam polarization profile is different for different beams, different fills  $\Rightarrow$ Correction for **average polarization** depends on beam/fill

### **Average Polarization**



$$\left\langle P \right\rangle = \frac{\int P(x, y)I(x, y)dxdy}{\int I(x, y)dxdy} \qquad \left\langle P \right\rangle = \frac{\int P(x0, y)I(x0, y)dy}{\int I(x0, y)dy} \quad \left\langle P \right\rangle = \frac{\int P(x, y)I_1(x, y)I_2(x, y)dxdy}{\int I_1(x, y)I_2(x, y)dxdy}$$

P(x,y) – polarization profile, I(x,y) – intensity profile

### **Average Polarization**

$$P(x) = P_{\max} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma_p^2}\right) \quad I(x) = I_{\max} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma_l^2}\right) \qquad R = \frac{\sigma_l^2}{\sigma_p^2}$$
H-Jet
$$\left\langle P \right\rangle = \frac{\int P(x, y)I(x, y)dx}{\int I(x, y)dxdy} = \frac{P_{\max}}{\sqrt{1 + R_x}}$$
pC
$$\left\langle P \right\rangle = P_{\max} \qquad \qquad \text{If target positioned at beam peak intensity/polarization}$$
Collider
Experiment
$$\left\langle P \right\rangle = \frac{\int P(x, y)I_1(x, y)I_2(x, y)dxdy}{\int I_1(x, y)I_2(x, y)dxdy} \approx P_{\max} \frac{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{2}R_y}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{2}R_y}} \qquad \qquad \text{If } \sigma_{l2} = \sigma_l$$

Corrections due to polarization profiles are different when normalizing pC to H-Jet and when propagating pC measurements to experiments Polarization profile in both trans. directions (X,Y) required

# pC: Polarization Profile







1. Directly measure  $\sigma_l$  and  $\sigma_p$ :

 $R = \frac{\sigma_I^2}{\sigma_P^2}$ 

 Obtain R directly from the *P(I)* fit:

$$P(x) = P_{\max} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma_p^2}\right)$$

$$I(x) = I_{\max} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma_l^2}\right)$$

$$P = P_{\max} \cdot \left(\frac{I}{I_{\max}}\right)$$

Precise target positioning is NOT necessary

# pC: Polarization Profile

 $P = P_{\max} \cdot \left(\frac{I}{I_{\max}}\right)^{F}$ 





 $R \sim 0.1-0.3 \Rightarrow 5-15\%$  different polarization seen by HJet and by experiments

### pC: Polarization vs Fill

#### **Run6 results**



$$\frac{\delta P_B}{P_B} = 4.7\% \qquad \frac{\delta P_Y}{P_Y} = 4.8\%$$
$$\frac{\delta (P_B P_Y)}{P_R P_Y} = 8.3\%$$

# Hjet+pC: Run8 Analysis

Fast (~online) analysis – during the run



Offline analysis is almost completed and results will be released soon

# pC: Upgrade

#### Detector upgrade

Photo-diode instead of Si strips

#### Target upgrade

 Possibility of using nano-tubes under investigation

#### pC vacuum chamber upgrade

- Two polarimeter setups per ring
- Double number of targets (to avoid a need to open chamber to install new targets during the run)
- Reduce the time required for successive measurements of horiz. and vert. profiles
- Allows installation and testing new detectors for higher rate capabilities



# **PHENIX Local Polarimeter**

### Utilizes spin dependence of very forward neutron production (PLB650, 325):



#### ZDC (energy) + SMD (position)



### **PHENIX Local Polarimeter**

Asymmetry vs φ

Spin Rotators OFF Vertical polarization

Spin Rotators ON Current Reversed Radial polarization

Spin Rotators ON Correct Current ! Longitudinal polarization!



Monitors spin direction in PHENIX collision region

### **STAR Local Polarimeter**

Utilizes spin dependence of hadron production at high  $x_{F}$ :



#### Bunch-by-bunch (relative) polarization



Monitors spin direction in STAR collision region Capable to precisely monitor polarization vs time in a fill, and bunch-by-bunch

### Summary

#### RHIC Polarimetry consists of several independent subsystems

Hjet:

Absolute polarization measurements Absolute normalization for other RHIC Polarimeters

#### <u>pC:</u>

Separate for blue and yellow beams Normalization from HJet Polarization vs time in a fill Polarization profile

Fill-by-fill polarizations for experiments

#### PHENIX and STAR Local Polarimeters:

Monitor spin direction (through trans. spin component) at collision Polarization vs time in a fill (for trans. pol. beams) Polarization vs bunch (for trans. pol. beams)

#### Reliably provides RHIC beam polarizations

With relative uncertainty better than 5%

#### Continuously developing

Detector and target system upgrade to deal with high beam intensities, and to improve efficiency and reliability

# RHIC CNI Polarimetry Group: a factory of CNI Polarimetrer experts

Each Run (Year) new students/postdocs are involved in the data monitoring and data analysis. They

Learn

Contribute

Leave (to use newly gained expertise in other projects)

A call for new volunteers to work on Run9/10 etc. Please come, learn, become an expert, contribute New challenges every Run/Year Physics is coming out (with more statistics, reduced systematics, different energies)

# Backups



# H-jet system

- Height: 3.5 m
- Weight: 3000 kg
- Entire system moves along
  x-axis -10 ~ +10 mm to
  adjust collision point with
  RHIC beam.

