

W Measurements at PHENIX

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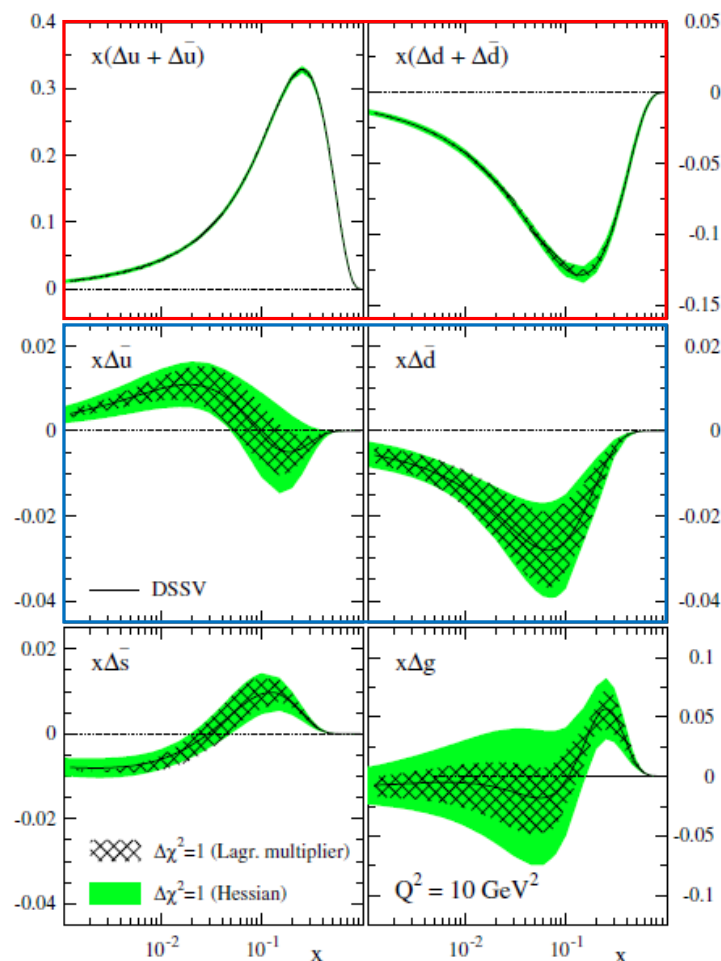


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Introduction

Motivation



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- Jaffe-Manohar spin sum rule

$$S_p = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + L_z$$

- $\Delta\Sigma?$

- $(\Delta q + \Delta \bar{q})$:

well constrained down to $x \sim 10^{-3}$, thanks to DIS

- $\Delta \bar{q}$:

poorly constrained with large uncertainty,
mainly originated from fragmentation functions

→ RHIC: fragmentation free W decay leptons

- $\Delta G?$

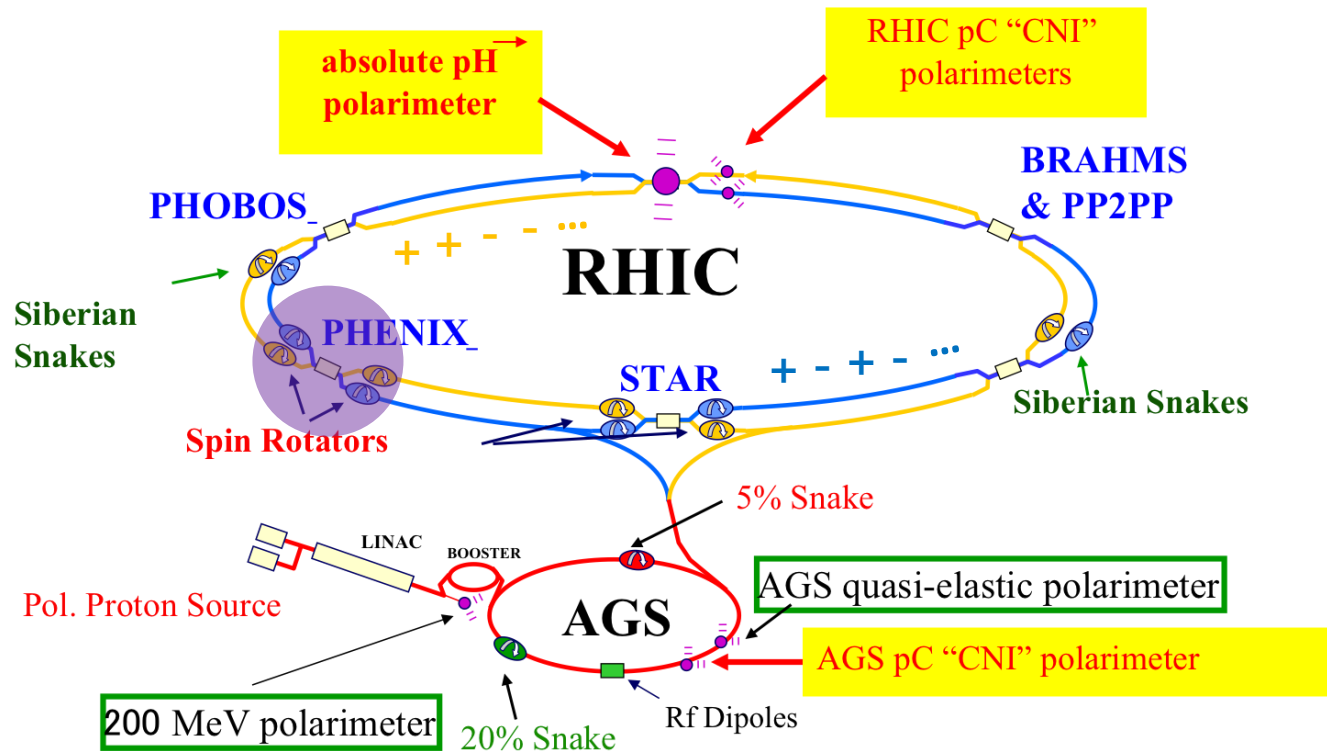
- Barely accessible via DIS / Limited access via SIDIS

- Substantial non-zero contribution discovered at RHIC:

a. STAR Jet A_{LL} (PRL115, 092002)

b. PHENIX midrapidity $\pi^0 A_{LL}$ (PRD93, 011501)

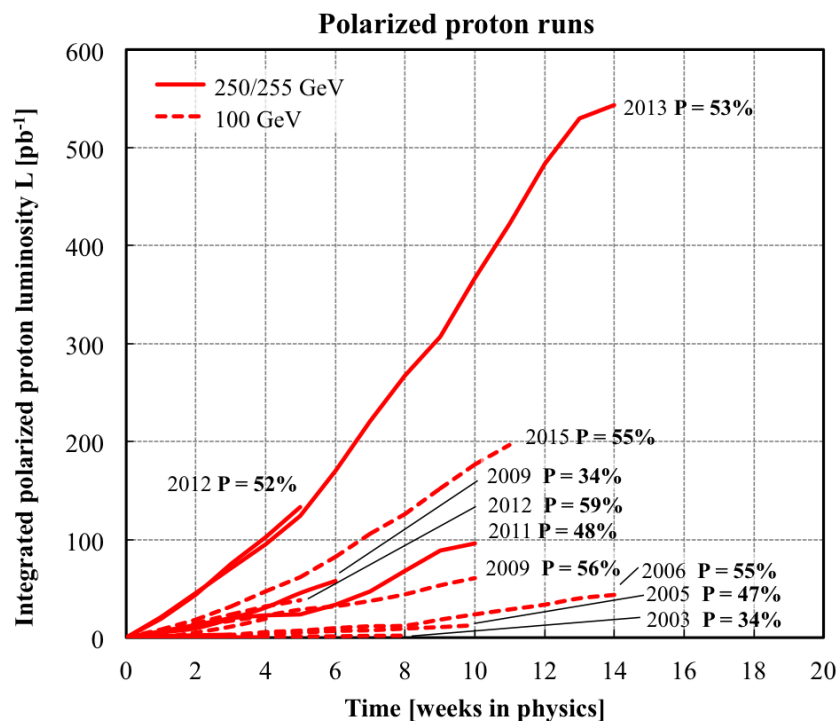
Introduction RHIC and PHENIX



- **RHIC @ Brookhaven Lab., NY**
 - Polarized $p + p$ @ $\sqrt{s} = 62.5$ to 510 (GeV)
 - Maximum average polarization ($\langle P \rangle$) ≈ 60 (%)

Introduction

Recent longitudinal spin runs at RHIC



Year	\sqrt{s} (GeV)	Int. L (pb^{-1})	$\langle P \rangle$ (%)	FoM ($L \cdot \langle P \rangle^2$)
09	200	15.6	56 / 57	4.98
	500	14.0	33 / 36	1.66
11	500	27.6	48 / 48	6.36
12	510	53	56 / 58	17.21
13	510	285	54 / 55	84.65

* Int. L : MinBias with no vertex cut at PHENIX

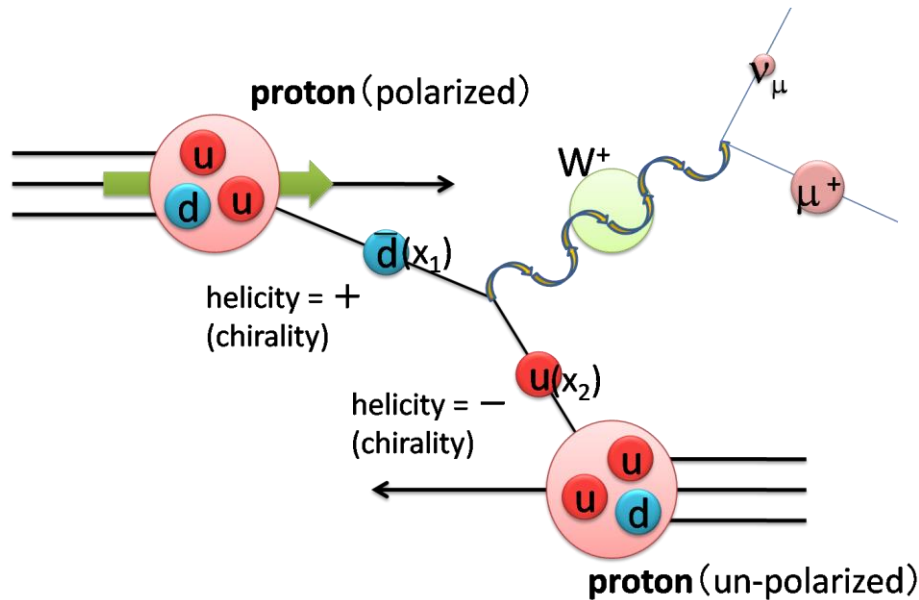
* Int. L : MinBias with 40 cm vertex cut

• PHENIX RUN11 - RUN13

- Top 3 highest FoM years for all longitudinal spin runs
- Forward detector upgrade completed at 2012

W Measurements at PHENIX

A_L via W decay leptons



$$A_L = \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma} = \frac{\sigma_+ - \sigma_-}{\sigma_+ + \sigma_-}$$

$$A_L^{W^+} = \frac{-\Delta u(x_1)\bar{d}(x_2) + \Delta\bar{d}(x_1)u(x_2)}{u(x_1)\bar{d}(x_2) + \bar{d}(x_1)u(x_2)}$$

$$A_L^{W^-} = \frac{-\Delta d(x_1)\bar{u}(x_2) + \Delta\bar{u}(x_1)d(x_2)}{d(x_1)\bar{u}(x_2) + \bar{u}(x_1)d(x_2)}$$

technically,

$$A_L^W = \frac{1}{P} \frac{N_+ - RN_-}{N_+ + RN_-}$$

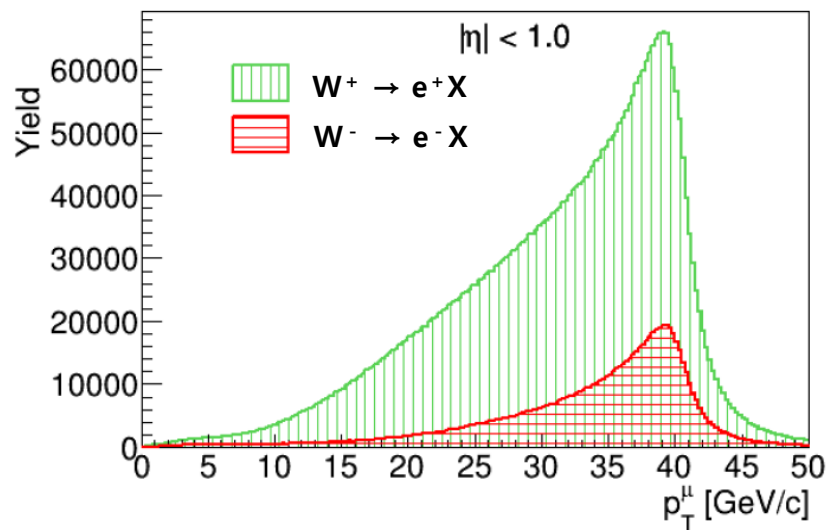
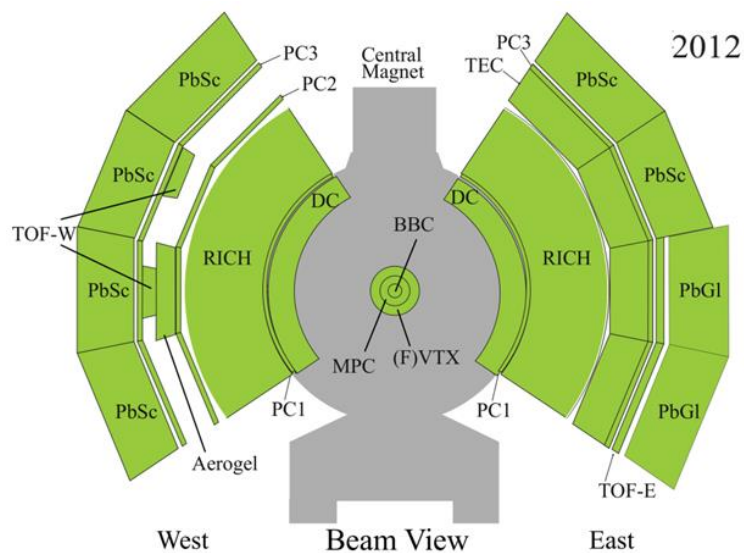
- P : avg. polarization of each beam
- N_+ (N_-) : yields in same (opposite) helicity
- $R \left(\frac{L^{++}}{L^{+-}} \right)$: relative luminosity

• A_L (single longitudinal spin asymmetry) measurement at PHENIX

- Midrapidity ($|\eta| < 0.35$): $W^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm$
- Forward rapidity ($1.2 < |\eta| < 2.2 / 2.4$): $W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm$

$$W^{\pm} \rightarrow e^{\pm}$$

PHENIX Midrapidity



- **Central Arms**

- $|\eta| < 0.35, \Delta\phi = \frac{\pi}{2} \times 2$
- Tracking: DC, PC
- pID: RICH, ToF
- EMCal: PbGl, PbSc

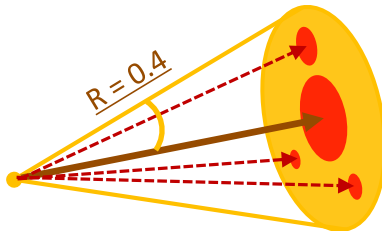
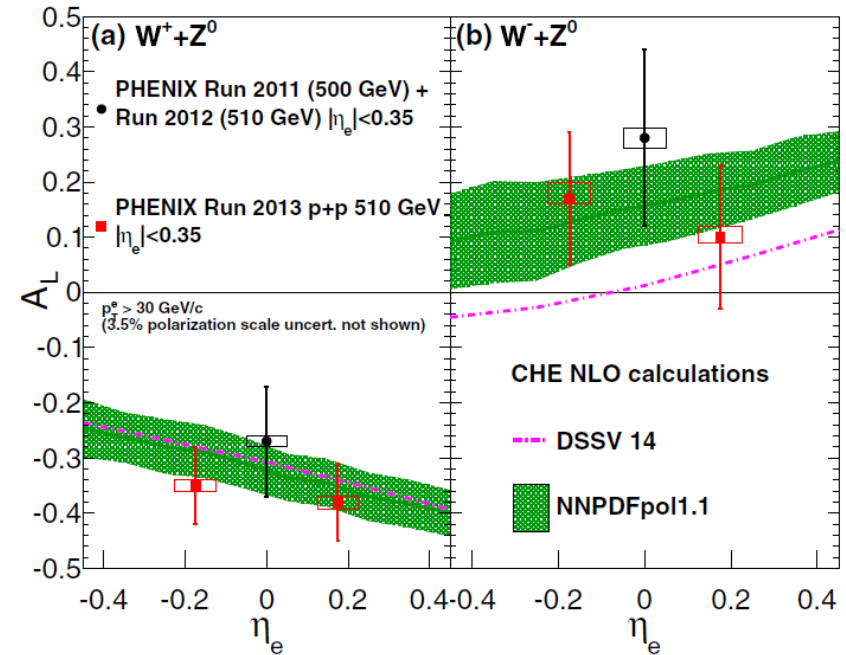
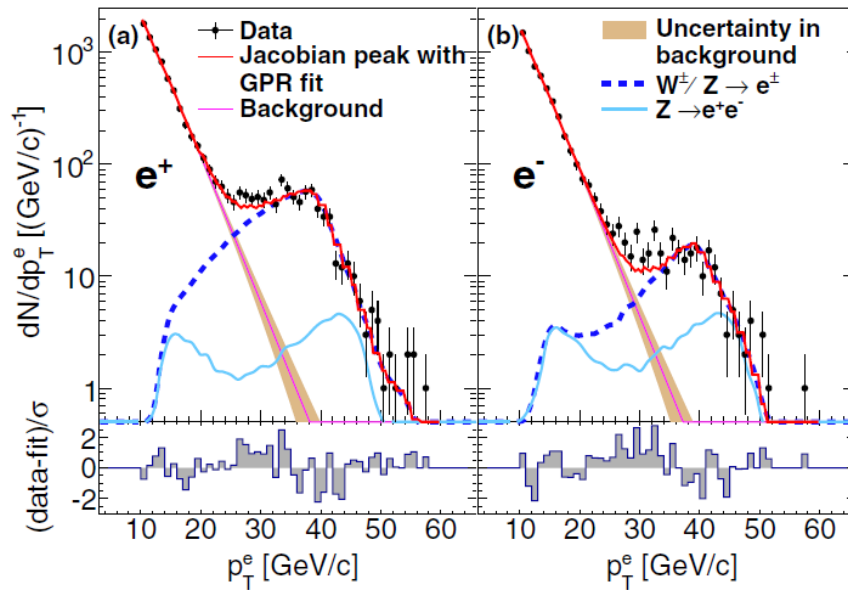
- **$W^{\pm} \rightarrow e^{\pm}$ at $|\eta| < 0.35$**

- Distinct Jacobian peak
- Triggered by energy
- Momentum measurement by energy
- Charge determination by tracking in B-field

$$W^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm$$

Analysis and Results

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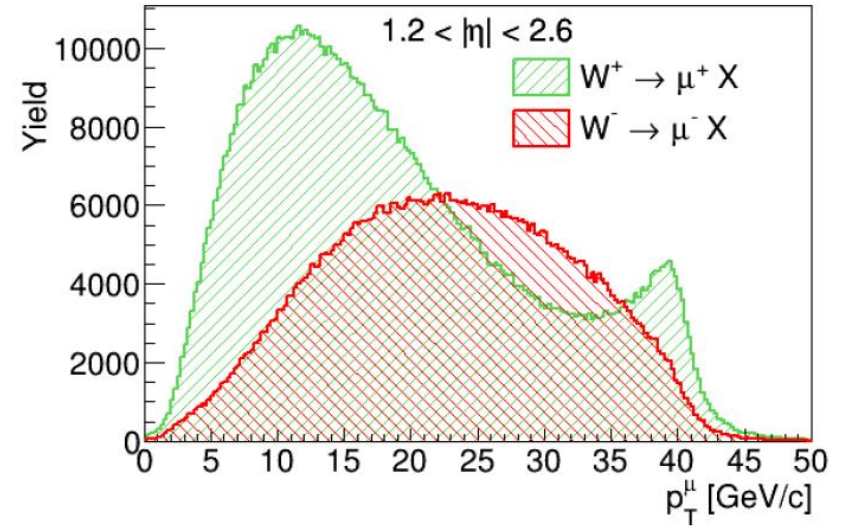
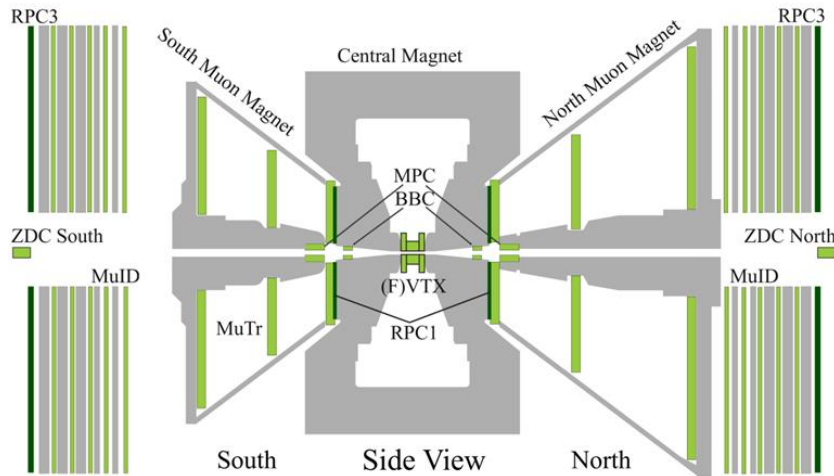
$$\frac{E_{\text{cone}} - E_{\text{candidate}}}{E_{\text{candidate}}} < 10 (\%)$$

• $W^\pm/Z^0 \rightarrow e^\pm$, A_L with integrated RUN11-13 data

- $\sqrt{s} = 500$ (11) / 510 (12, 13) GeV, total Int. $L = 240 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- Signal extraction via charge isolation + backgrounds estimation by Gaussian Process Regression
- Probed Bjorken x of $\sim \mathbf{0.16}$ (M_W / \sqrt{s})

$$W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm$$

PHENIX Forward Rapidity



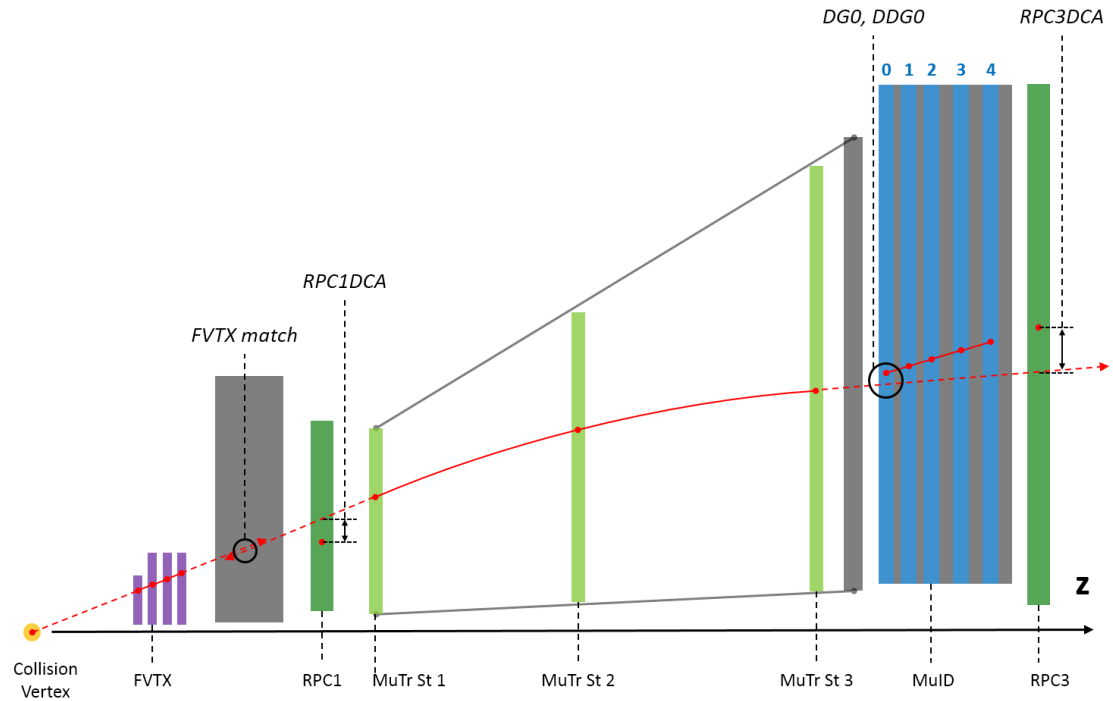
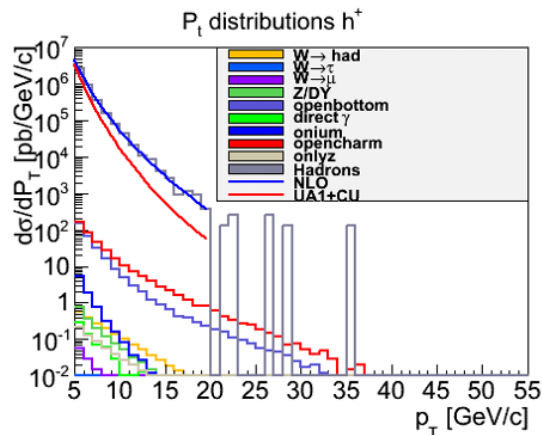
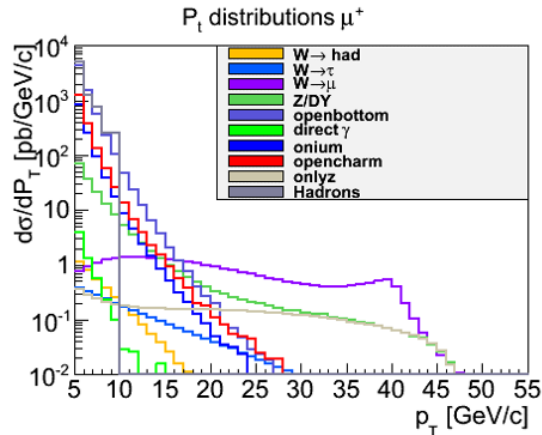
• Muon Arms

- $1.2 < |\eta| < 2.2$ (S) or 2.4 (N), $\Delta\phi = 2\pi$
- FVTX (Si strip, from 2012)
- Tracking: MuTr (CS chambers)
- pID: MuID (steel interleaved larocci tubes), RPCs

• $W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm$ at $1.2 < |\eta| < 2.2 / 2.4$

- Suppressed/No Jacobian peak
- Triggered by momentum
- Momentum measurement by tracking in B-field
- Charge determination by tracking in B-field

$W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm$ Approach

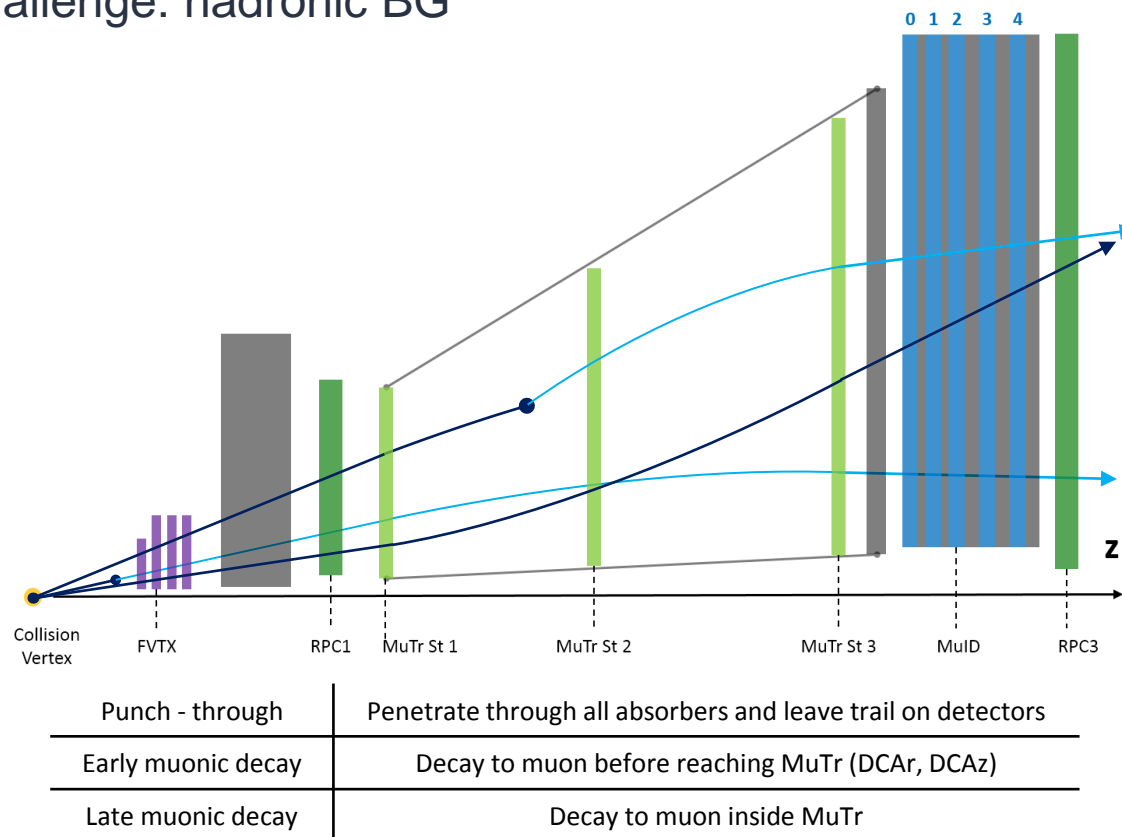
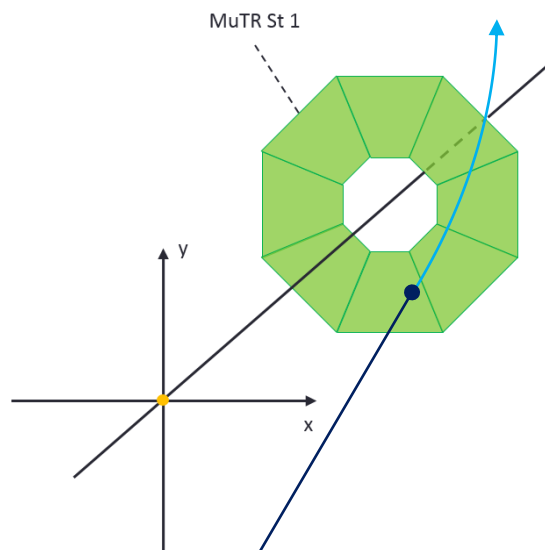


Challenges and Approach

- In addition to strongly suppressed Jacobian peak,
 - Limited detector acceptance
 - Abundant backgrounds (muonic and hadronic)
 - Smearing in p_T reconstruction
- No single variable can discriminate W signal from BG clearly, but each variable has advantage over certain type of BG

$$W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm$$

Major challenge: hadronic BG

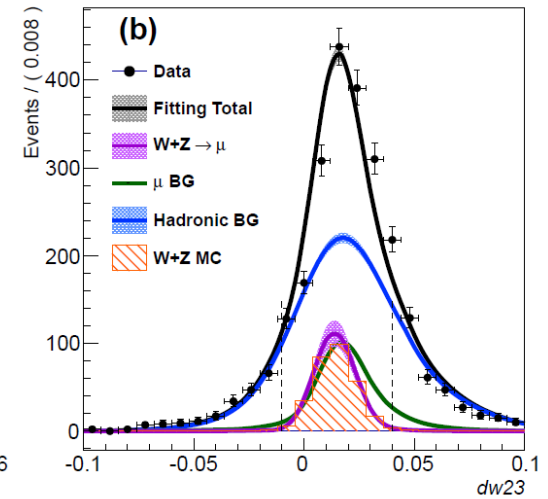
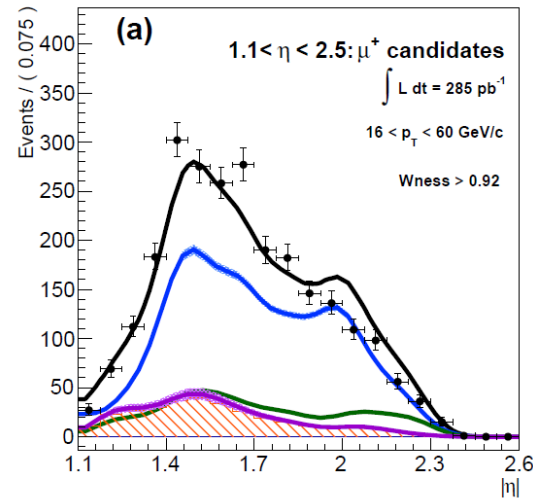
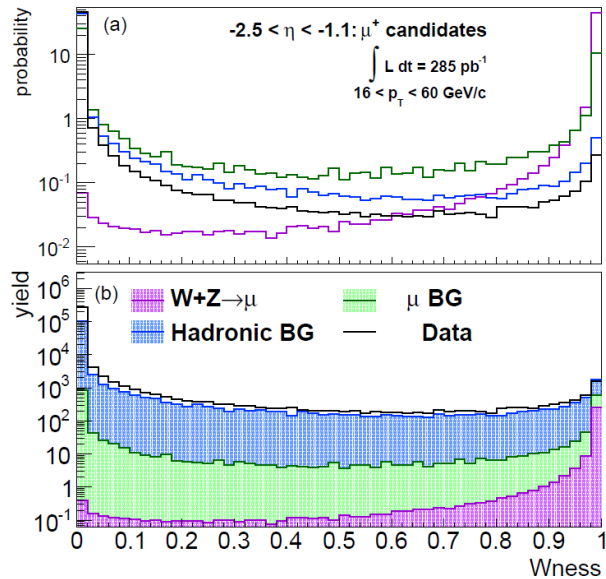


• Hadronic BG in Muon Arms

- Relatively low momentum charged hadrons (mainly π^\pm and K^\pm , $p_T < 20$ (GeV))
- Only small fraction of them penetrate through upstream absorber and reach MuTr, but enormous total cross section creates large backgrounds

$W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm$ Analysis

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• Multivariate analysis: W likelihood (W_{ness})

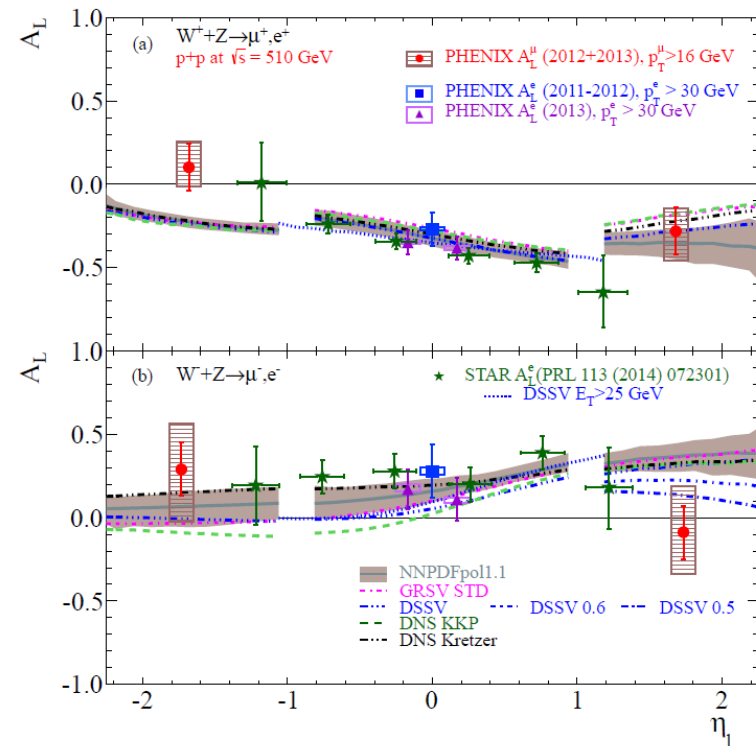
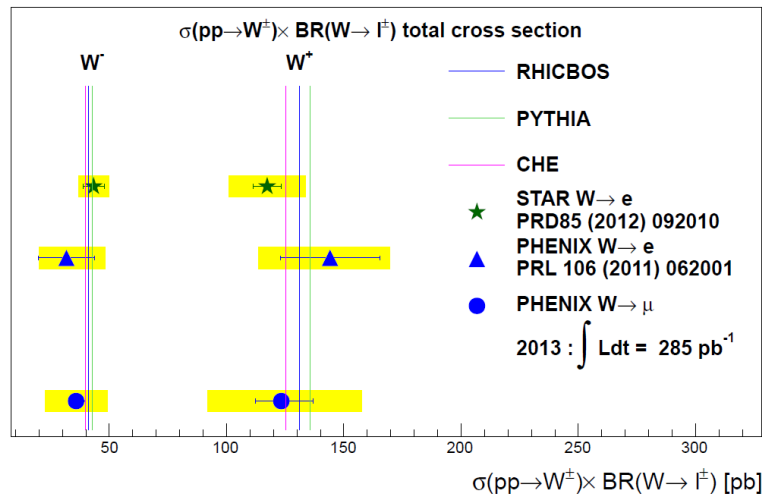
$$W_{\text{ness}} = \frac{\lambda_{\text{sig}}}{\lambda_{\text{sig}} + \lambda_{\text{BG}}},$$

$$\text{where } \lambda_{\text{sig}} = (\lambda_{\text{DG0}, w} \cdot \lambda_{\text{DDG0}, w} \cdot \lambda_{\text{DCA}_r, w} \dots)$$

- Improve sample purity by applying high W_{ness} filter on μ candidates
- Signal estimation by unbinned max. likelihood fit

$W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm$ Results

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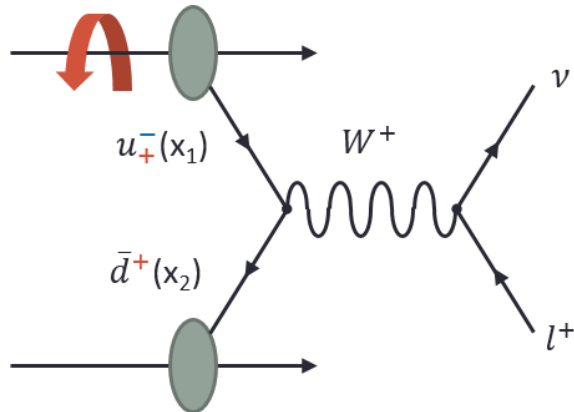
• $W^\pm/Z^0 \rightarrow \mu^\pm$, A_L with integrated RUN12-13 data

- $\sqrt{s} = 510 \text{ GeV}$, Int. $L = 53 \text{ (2012)} + 285 \text{ (2013)} \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- **First** $W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm$ measurement at $|\eta| > 1$, probed Bjorken x of $\sim \mathbf{0.1}$ (backward) / $\sim \mathbf{0.3}$ (forward)
- Consistent cross sections to existing RHIC $W^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm$ within uncertainties
- Discrepancy to the theory curves at backward W^+ and forward W^-

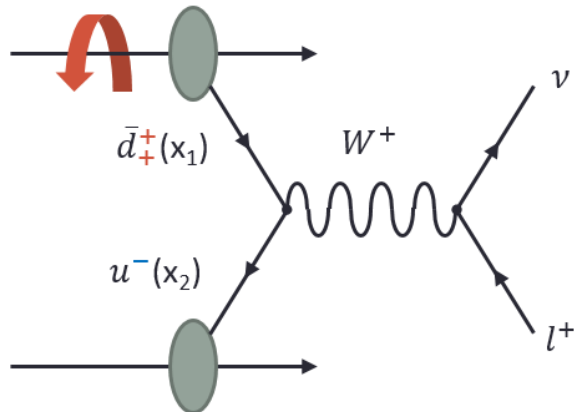
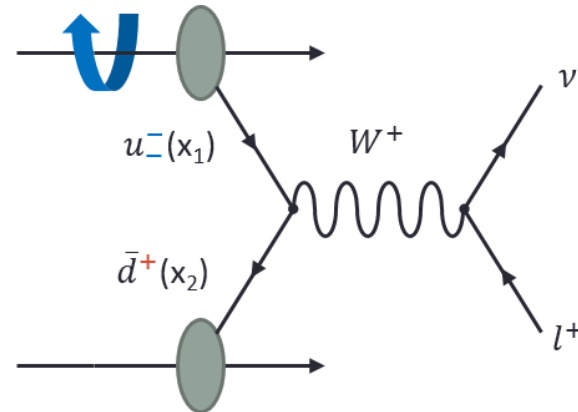
Summary

- $W^\pm/Z^0 \rightarrow e^\pm$
 - RUN11 - RUN13, total Int. $L = 240 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
 - Signal extraction by Jacobian peak
 - A_L results shows good match to the STAR, including larger asymmetry than theory in W^+
- $W^\pm/Z^0 \rightarrow \mu^\pm$
 - RUN12 - RUN13, total Int. $L = 285 \text{ pb}^{-1}$, 1st $W^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm$ measurement at $|\eta| > 1$
 - Signal extraction by multivariate analysis and unbinned max. likelihood fit
 - Measured cross sections show reasonable match to the existing results
 - Discrepancy to the theories at backward W^+ and forward W^-

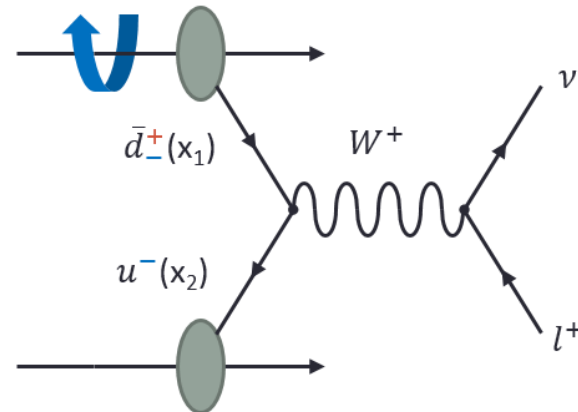
Backup W partonic processes



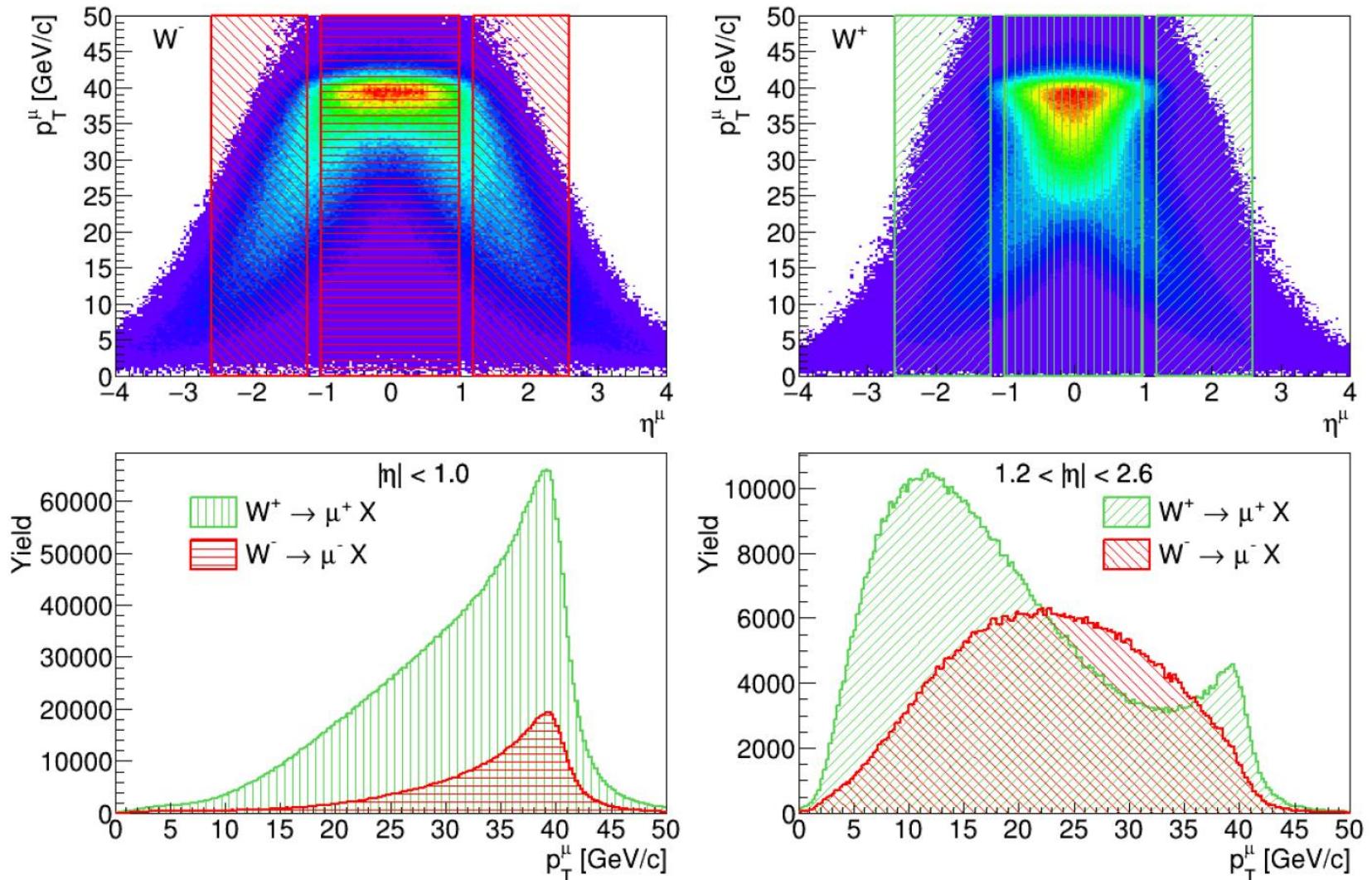
$$A_L^{W^+} = \frac{u^-_{-}(x_1)\bar{d}^+_{+}(x_2) - u^+_{+}(x_1)\bar{d}^+_{-}(x_2)}{u^-_{-}(x_1)\bar{d}^+_{+}(x_2) + u^+_{+}(x_1)\bar{d}^+_{-}(x_2)} \leftarrow 1. \Delta u \text{ is being probed}$$



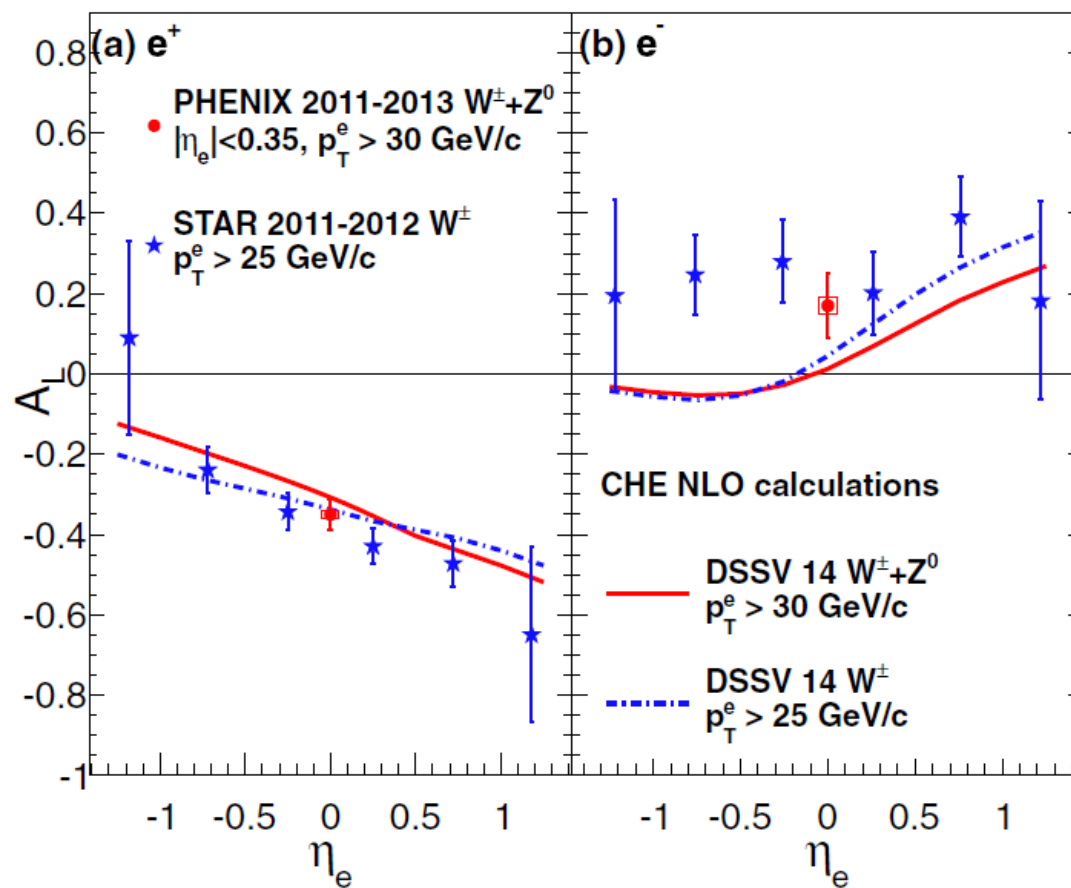
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Backup $W p_T$ kinematics in PHENIX acceptance

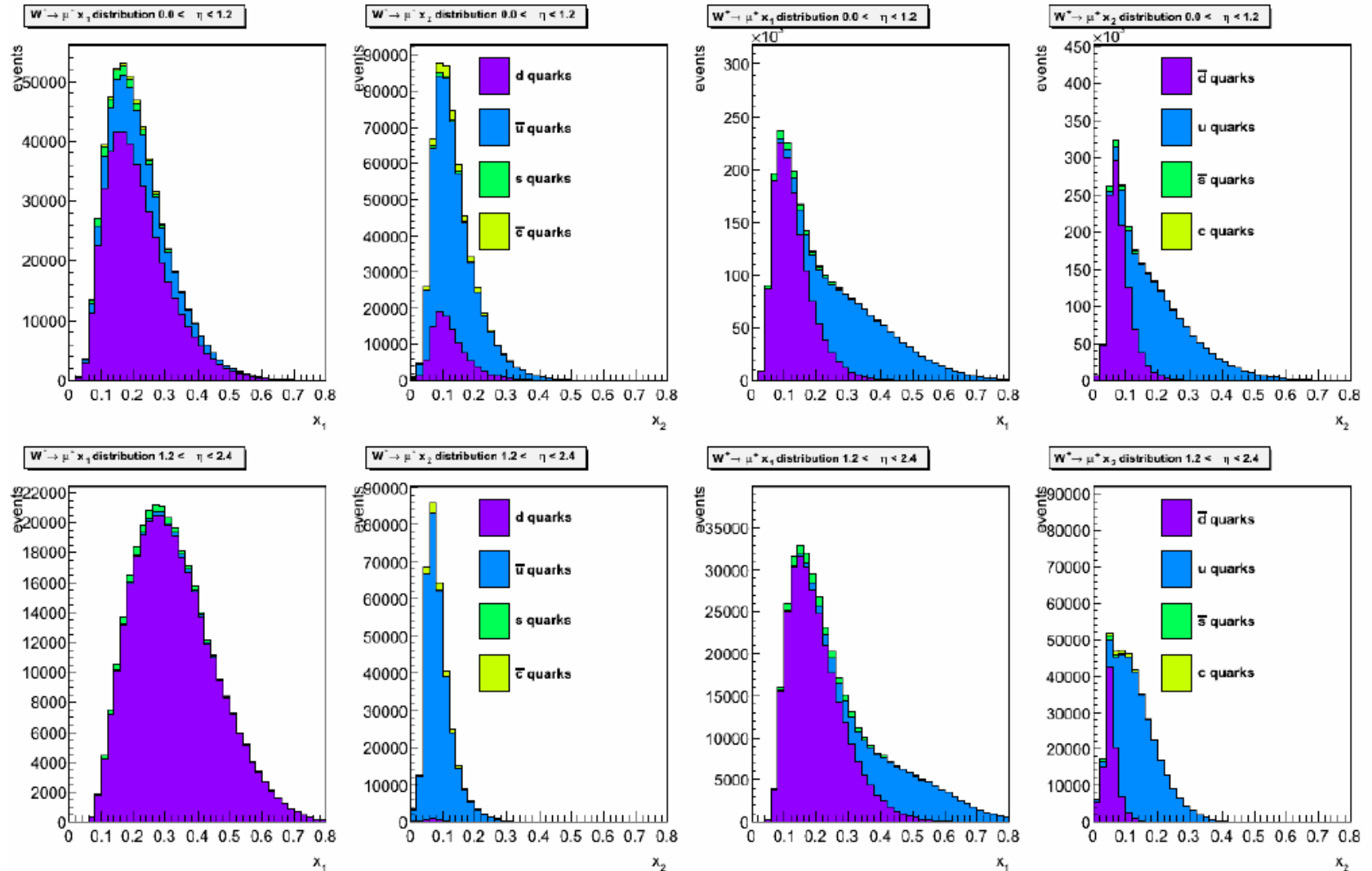


Backup $W^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm$, with STAR RUN11-12 results

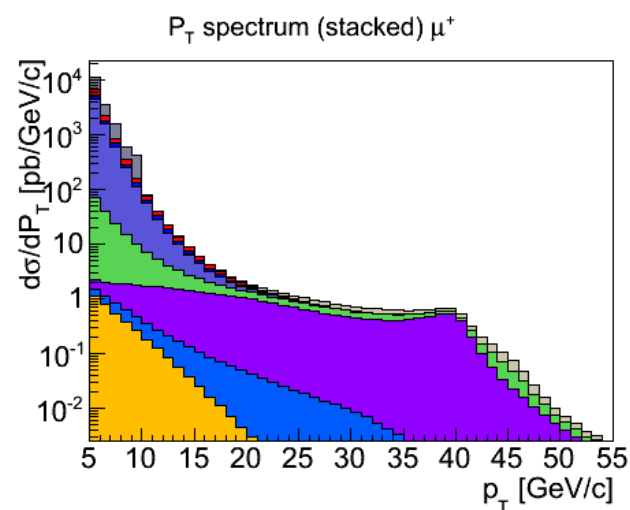
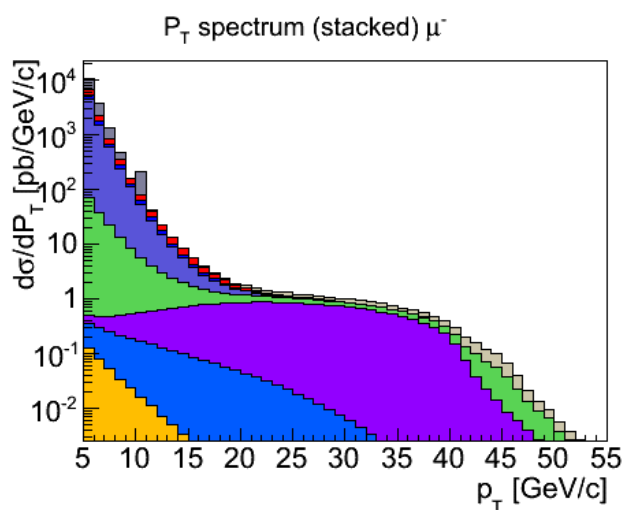
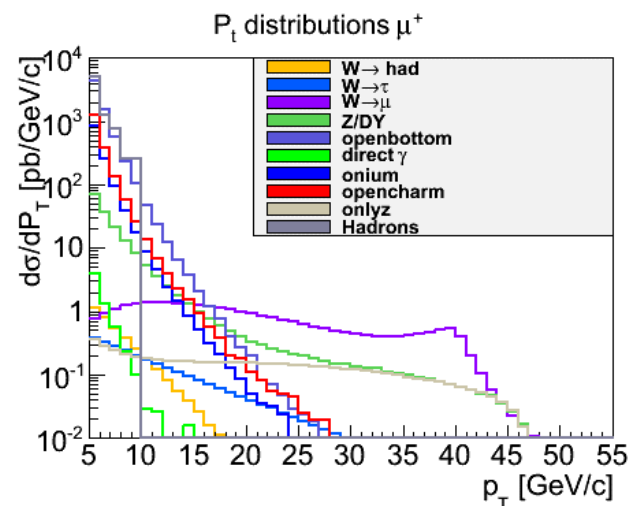
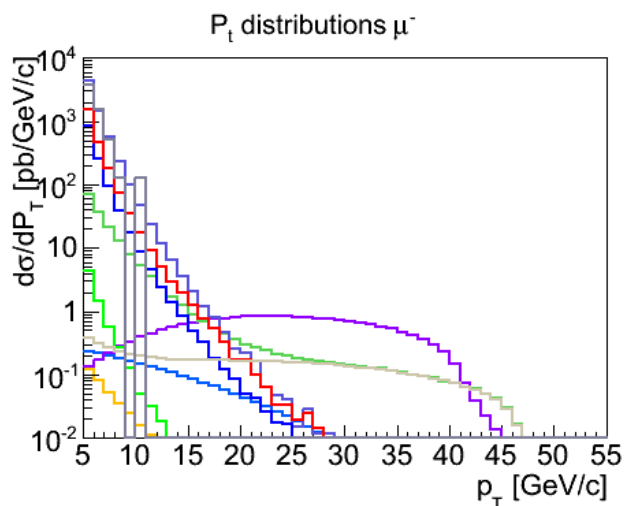


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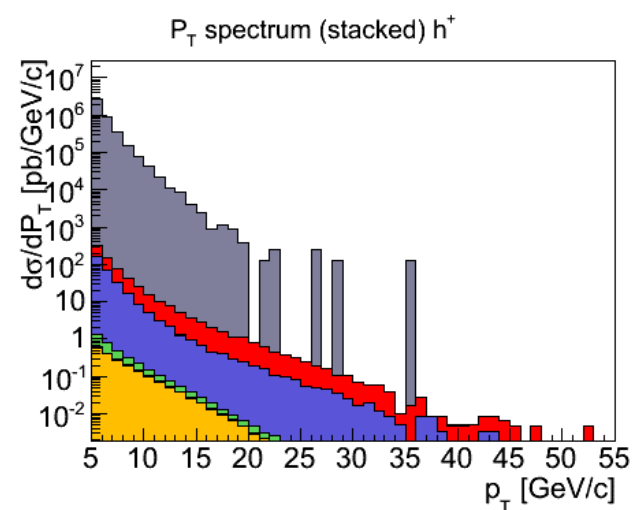
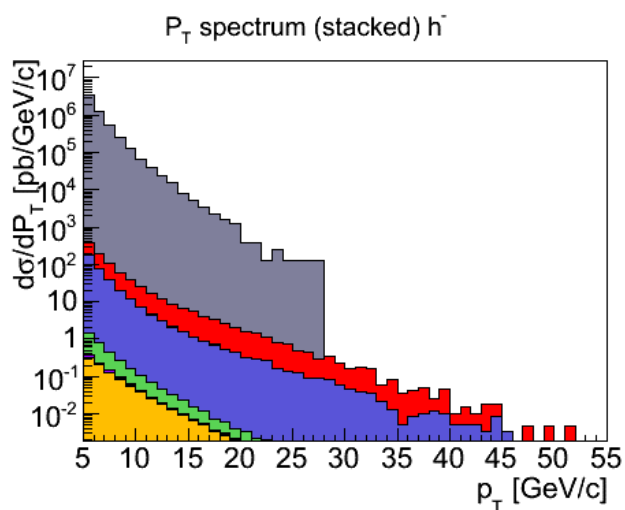
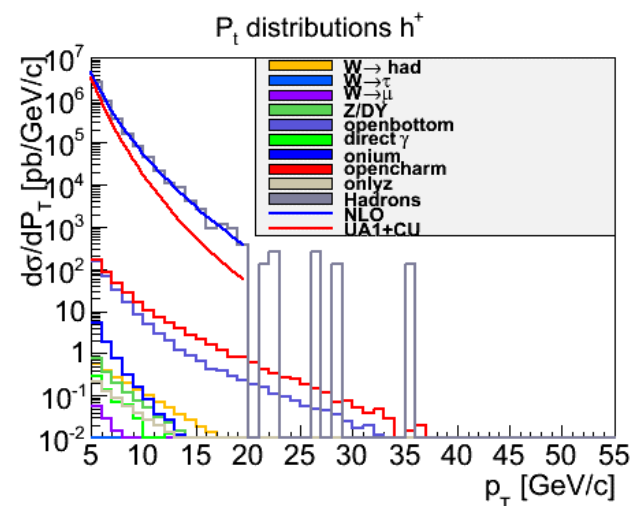
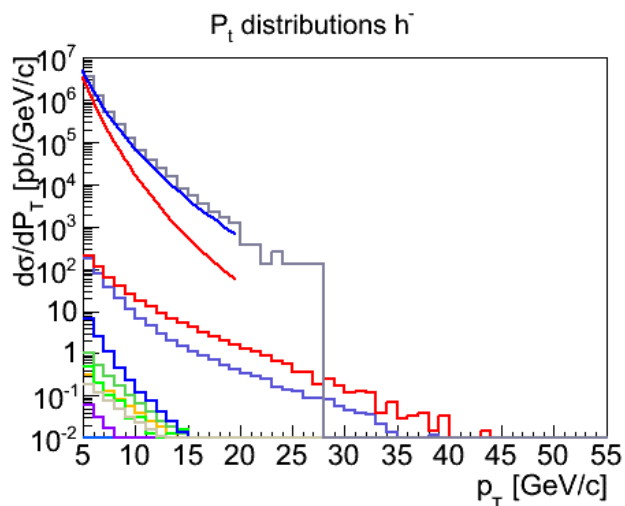
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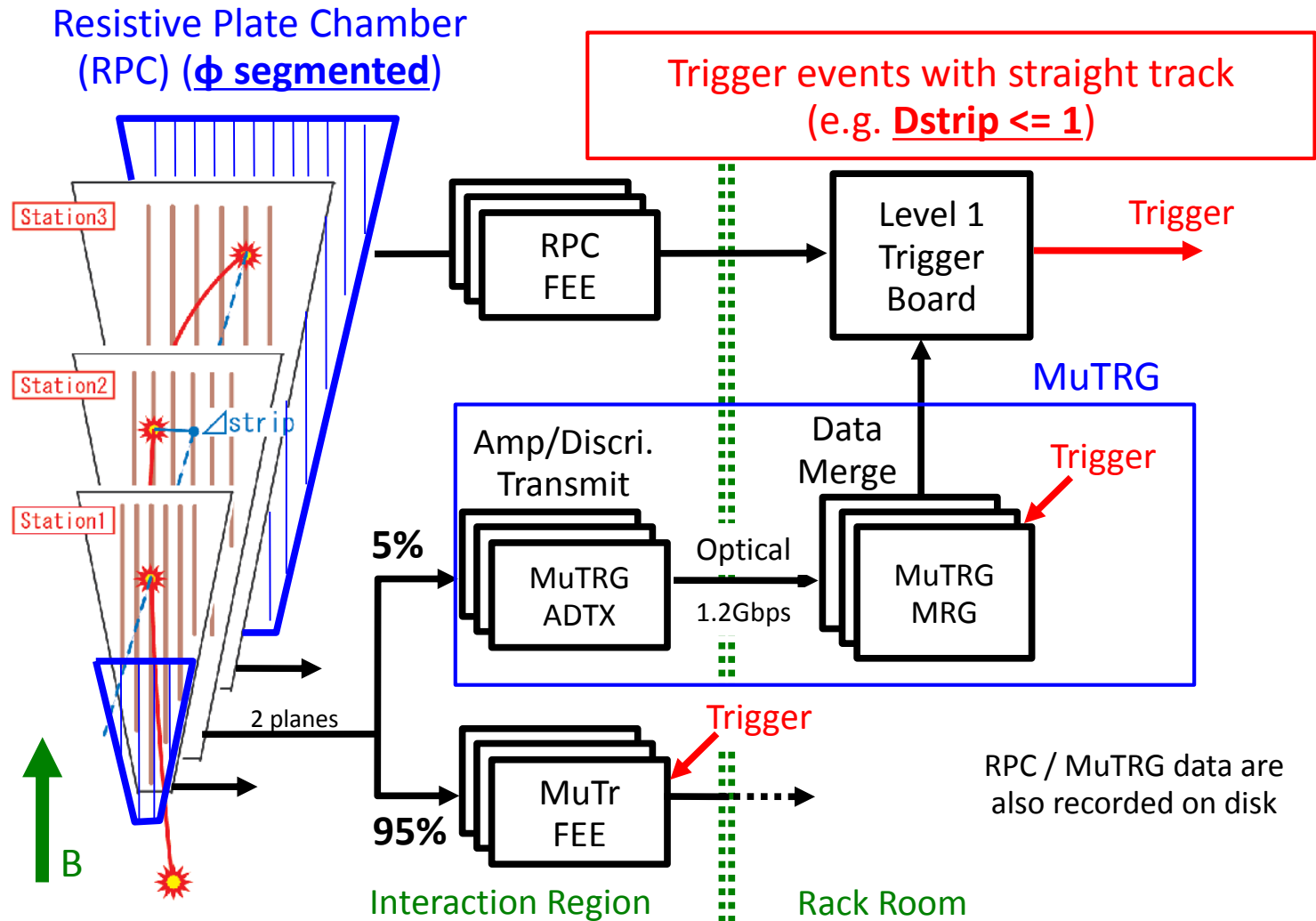
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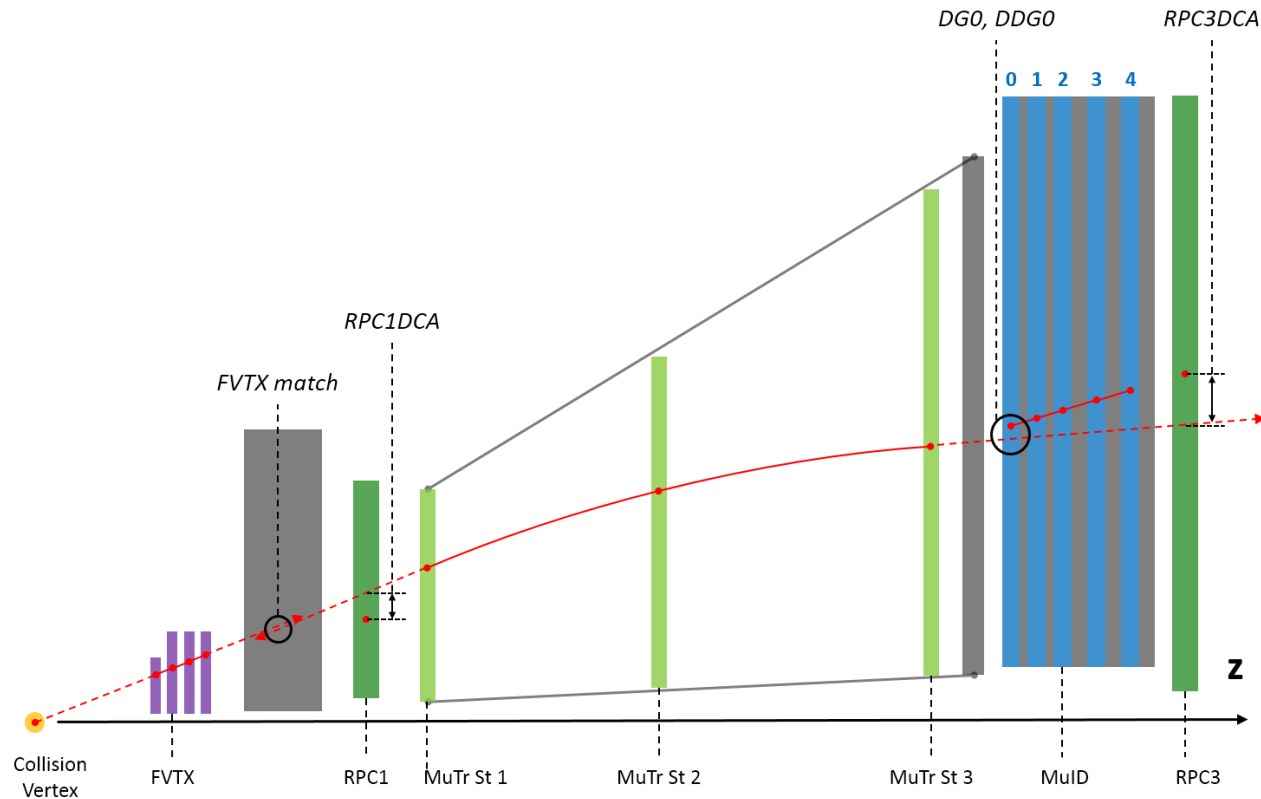
Backup Hadronic decay processes



Backup μ trigger

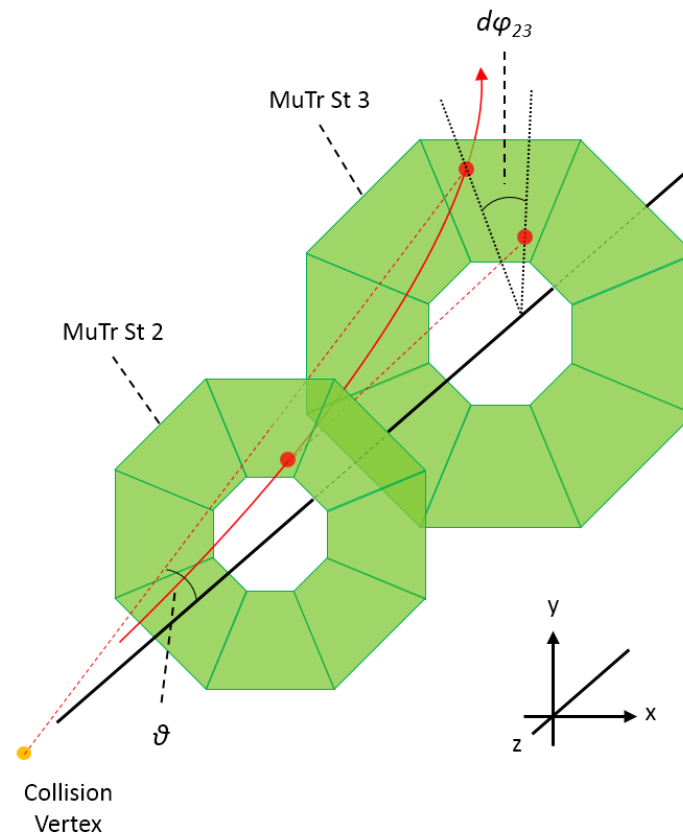
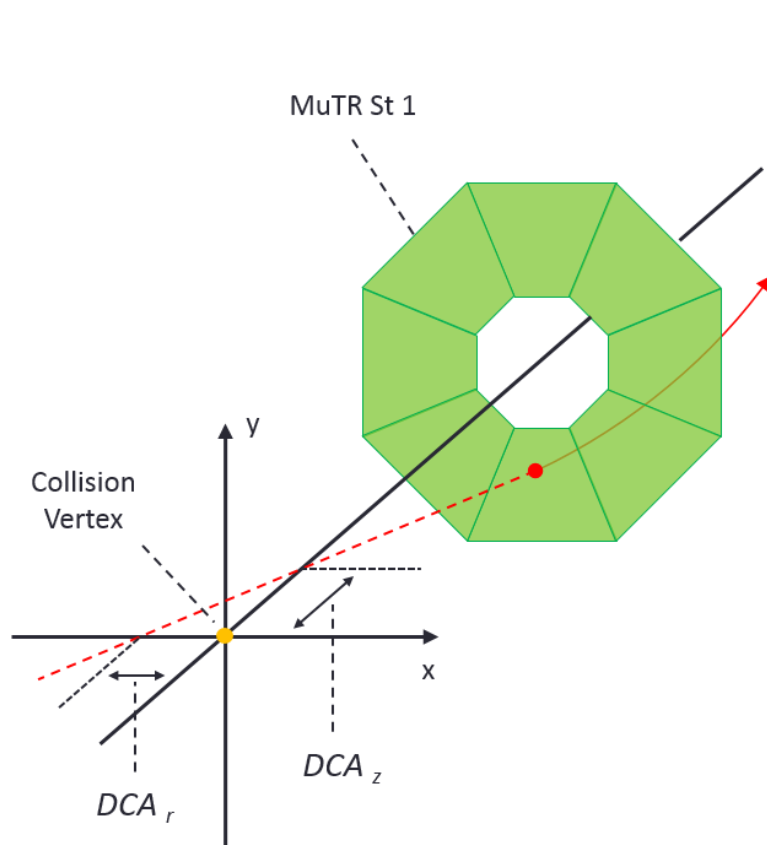


Backup $W \rightarrow \mu$ analysis variables



FVTX match	Match between FVTX track and MuTr residuals in Δr , $\Delta \phi$, and $\Delta \theta$
RPC1(3)DCA	Difference btw RPC1(3) hit cluster and track at RPC1(3) z
DG0	Distance difference btw track – road at 1 st MuID plane's z
DDG0	Angular difference btw track – road at 1 st MuID plane's z

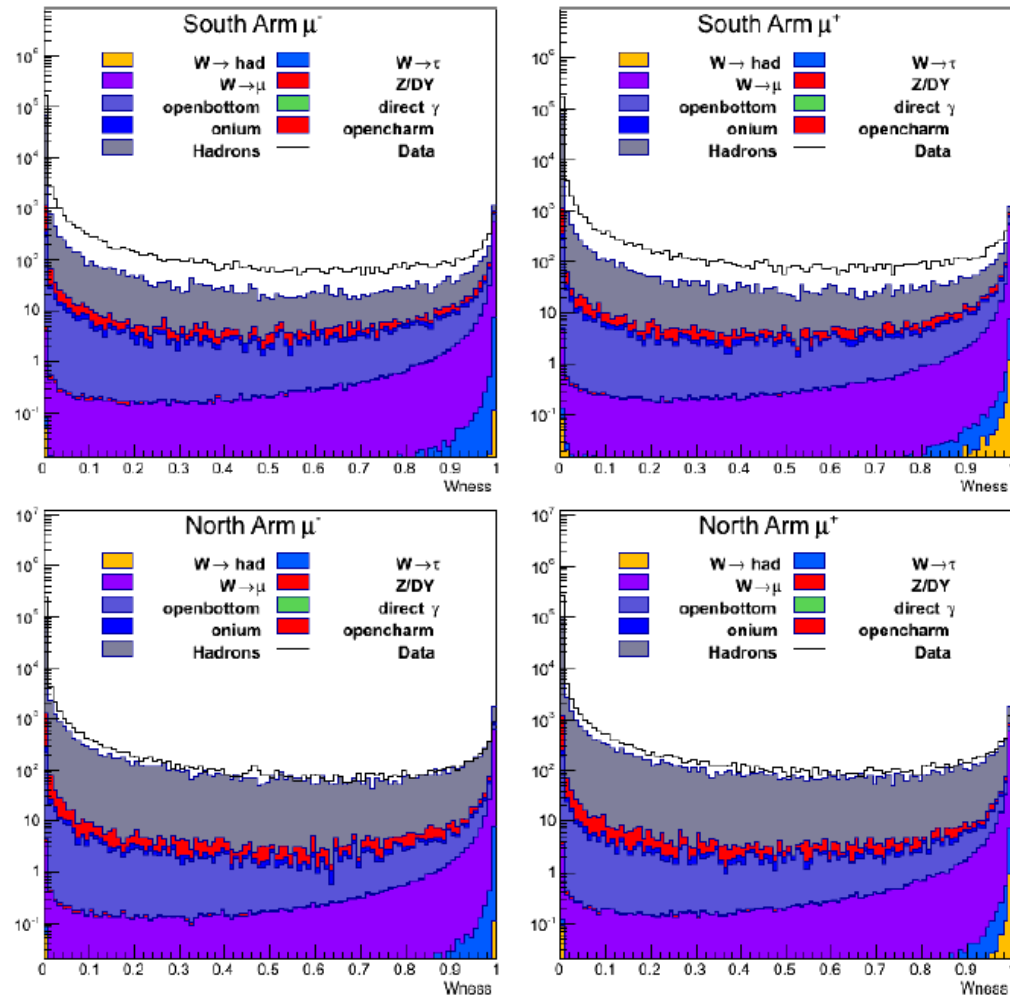
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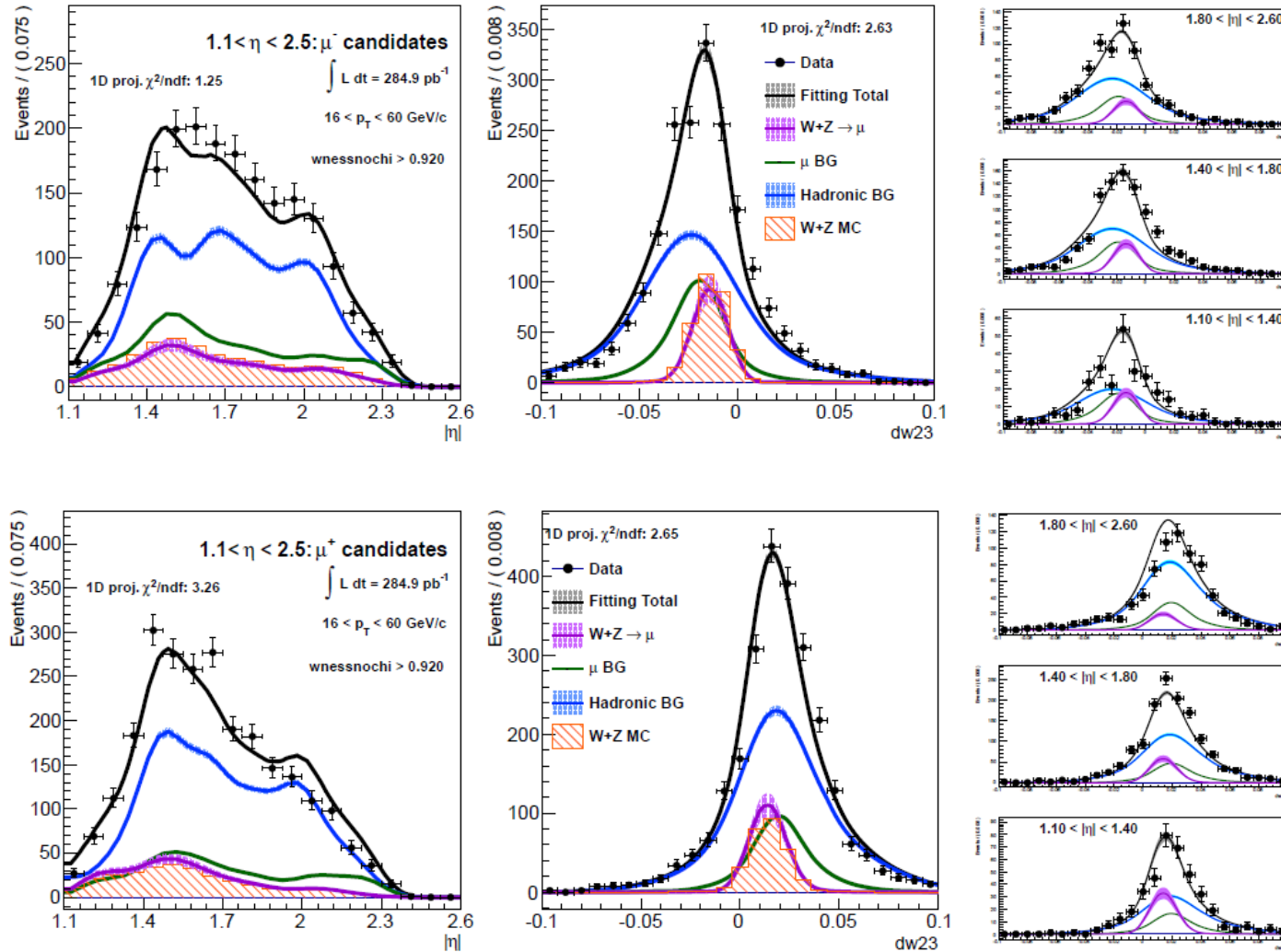
DCA_r	Radial distance of extrapolated track at vertex z
DCA_z	Z distance of extrapolated track at vertex z, NOT used due to multiple collision
dw23	Weighted sagitta ($pT \times \sin\theta \times d\phi_{23}$), one of two variables for signal extraction fit

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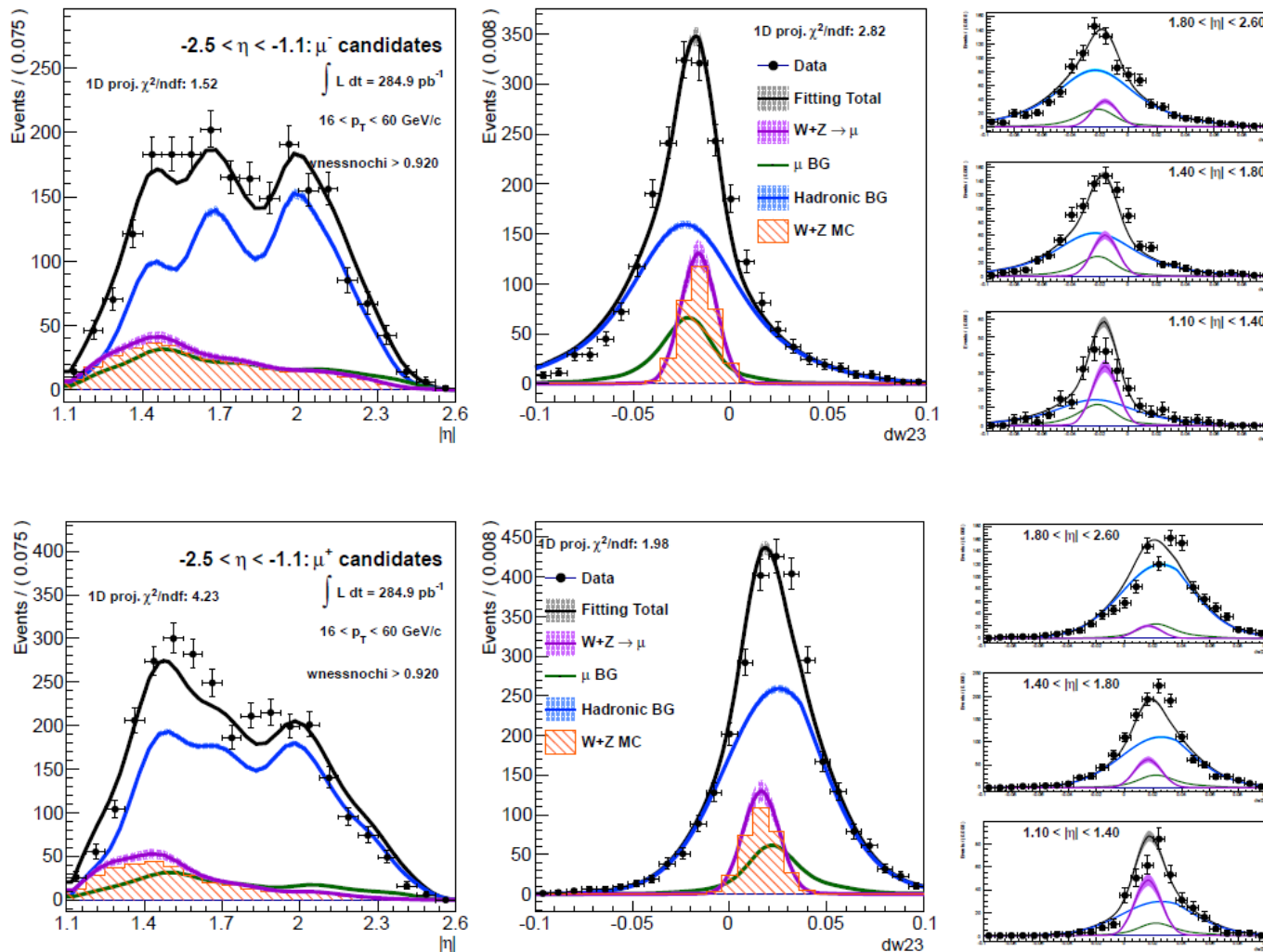
Stacked Wness for each Arm/Charge



Backup $W \rightarrow \mu$ signal extraction by unbinned max. likelihood fit (1)

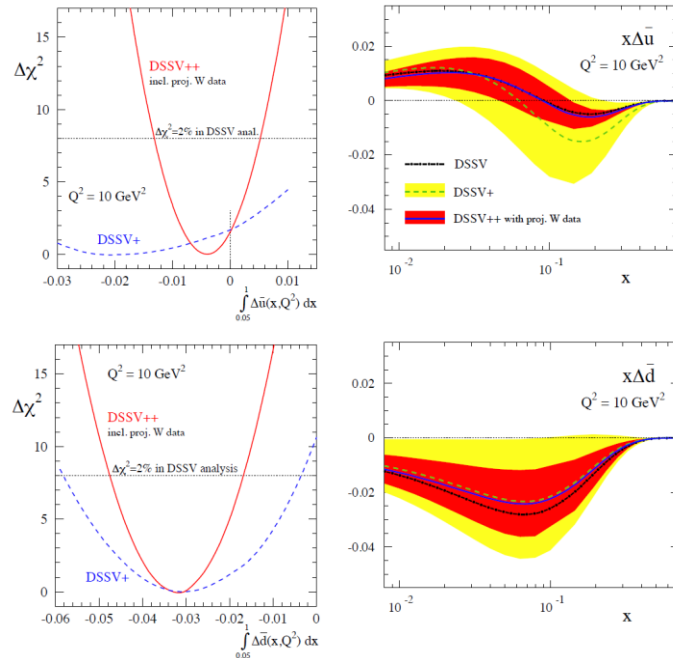


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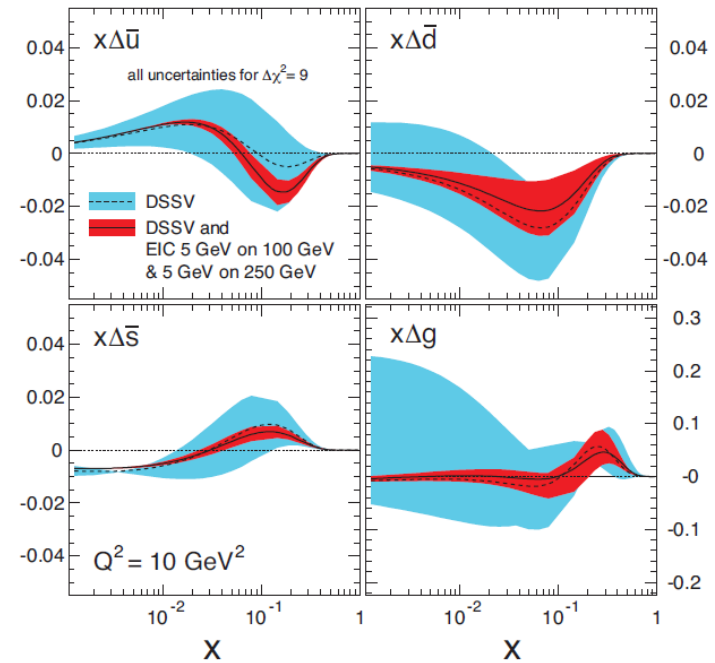


Backup Outlook

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arXiv: 1212.1701



- **Improve global analysis with existing RHIC data, Move toward to the EIC**
 - Significant constraint in $\Delta\bar{q}$ is expected once all existing RHIC data included in the global analysis
 - Even further constraint can be possible with future EIC data

Backup Future RHIC data taking perspectives

arXiv: 1602.03922

	Year	\sqrt{s} (GeV)	Delivered Luminosity	Scientific Goals	Observable	Required Upgrade
Scheduled RHIC running	2017	p p @ 510	400 pb ⁻¹ 12 weeks	Sensitive to Siverts effect non-universality through TMDs and Twist-3 $T_{q,F}(x,x)$ Sensitive to sea quark Siverts or ETQS function Evolution in TMD and Twist-3 formalism Transversity, Collins FF, linearly pol. Gluons, Gluon Siverts in Twist-3 First look at GPD E_g	A_N for γ , W^\pm , Z^0 , DY $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_s-2\phi_h)}$ $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_s-\phi_h)}$ modulations of h^\pm in jets, $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_s)}$ for jets A_{UT} for J/Ψ in UPC	A_N^{DT} : Postshower to FMS@STAR None None
	2023	p p @ 200	300 pb ⁻¹ 8 weeks	subprocess driving the large A_N at high x_F and η evolution of ETQS fct. properties and nature of the diffractive exchange in p+p collisions.	A_N for charged hadrons and flavor enhanced jets A_N for γ A_N for diffractive events	Yes Forward instrum. None None
	2023	p Au @ 200	1.8 pb ⁻¹ 8 weeks	What is the nature of the initial state and hadronization in nuclear collisions Nuclear dependence of TMDs and nFF Clear signatures for Saturation	R_{pAu} direct photons and DY $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_s-\phi_h)}$ modulations of h^\pm in jets, nuclear FF Dihadrons, γ -jet, h-jet, diffraction	$R_{pAu}(DY)$: Yes Forward instrum. None Yes Forward instrum.
	2023	p Al @ 200	12.6 pb ⁻¹ 8 weeks	A-dependence of nPDF, A-dependence of TMDs and nFF A-dependence for Saturation	R_{pAl} direct photons and DY $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_s-\phi_h)}$ modulations of h^\pm in jets, nuclear FF Dihadrons, γ -jet, h-jet, diffraction	$R_{pAl}(DY)$: Yes Forward instrum. None Yes Forward instrum.
	202X	p p @ 510	1.1 fb ⁻¹ 10 weeks	TMDs at low and high x quantitative comparisons of the validity and the limits of factorization and universality in lepton-proton and proton-proton collisions	A_{UT} for Collins observables, i.e. hadron in jet modulations at $\eta > 1$ and mid-rapidity observables as in 2017 run	Yes Forward instrum. None
Potential future running	202X	$\bar{p} p @ 510$	1.1 fb ⁻¹ 10 weeks	$\Delta g(x)$ at small x	A_{LL} for jets, di-jets, h/ γ -jets at $\eta > 1$	Yes Forward instrum.

Table 1-2: Summary of the Cold QCD physics program prosed in the years 2017 and 2023 and if an additional 500 GeV run would become possible.