Gluon polarization measurements from longitudinally polarized proton-proton collisions at STAR

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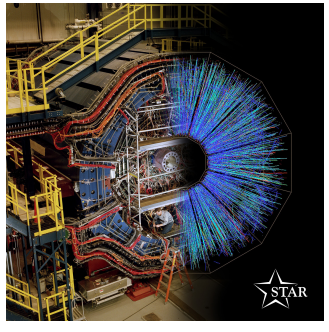
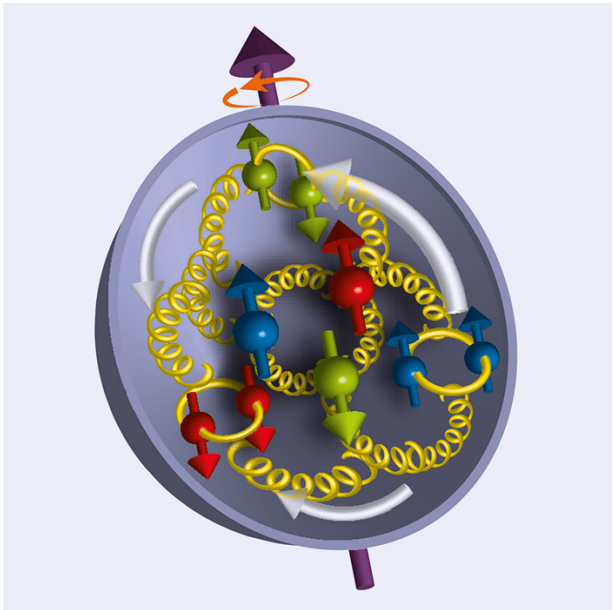


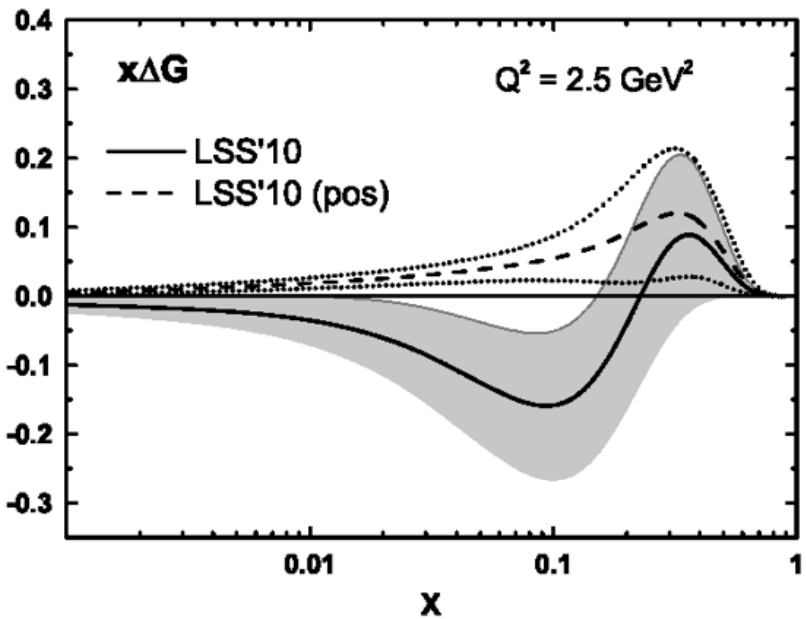
The Proton Spin

- Proton spin sum rule:

$$S_z = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + \Delta G + L_{q,g}$$

- $\Delta\Sigma$: ~ 0.3 constrained by DIS and SIDIS
- ΔG: poorly constrained by DIS and SIDIS
- $L_{q,g}$: unconstrained





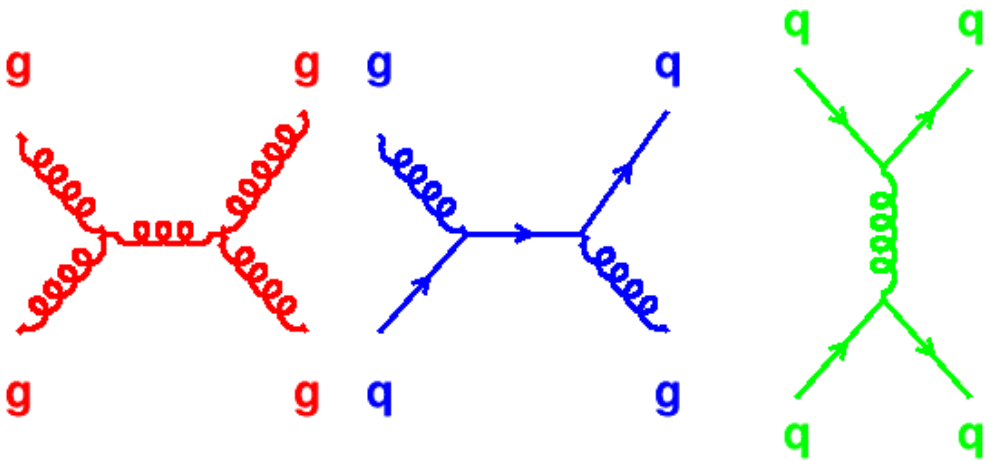
- With fit to DIS and SIDIS data,
  $\Delta G = -0.34 \pm 0.46$,
  $\Delta G = 0.32 \pm 0.19$ for pos,

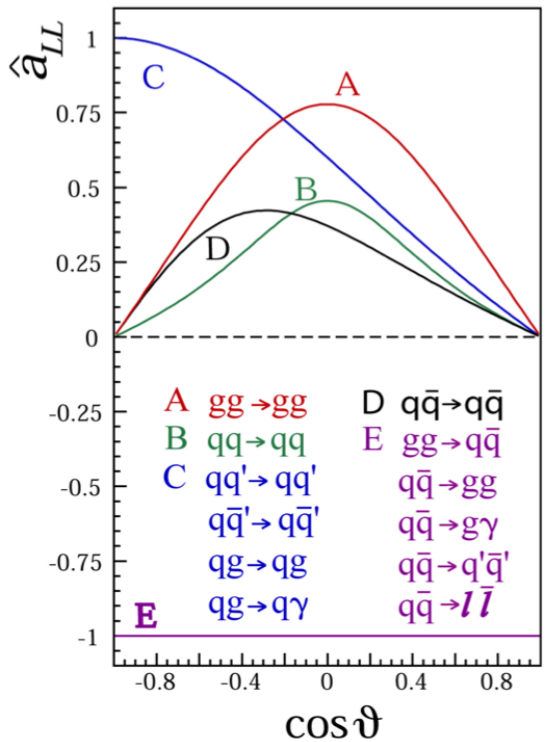
  Leader et al, PRD 82, 114018

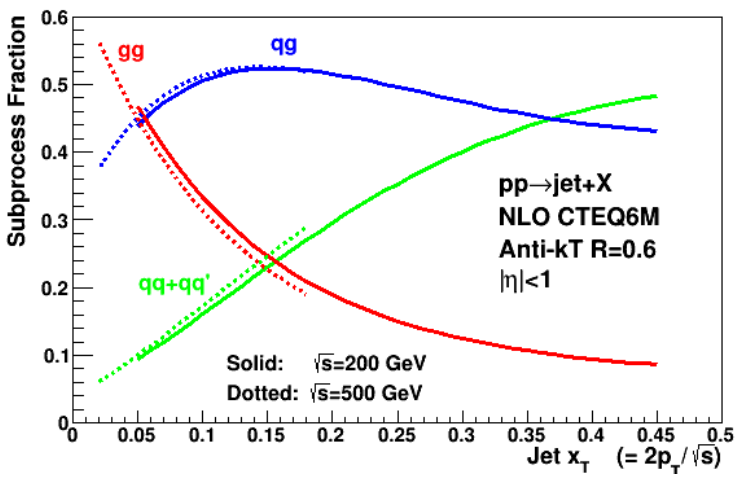
Exploring Gluon Polarization at RHIC

- In longitudinally polarized pp collisions, define longitudinal double-spin asymmetry A_{LL} as:

$$A_{LL} = \frac{\sigma_{++} - \sigma_{+-}}{\sigma_{++} + \sigma_{+-}} \sim \frac{\Delta f_a \Delta f_b}{f_a f_b} \hat{a}_{LL}$$

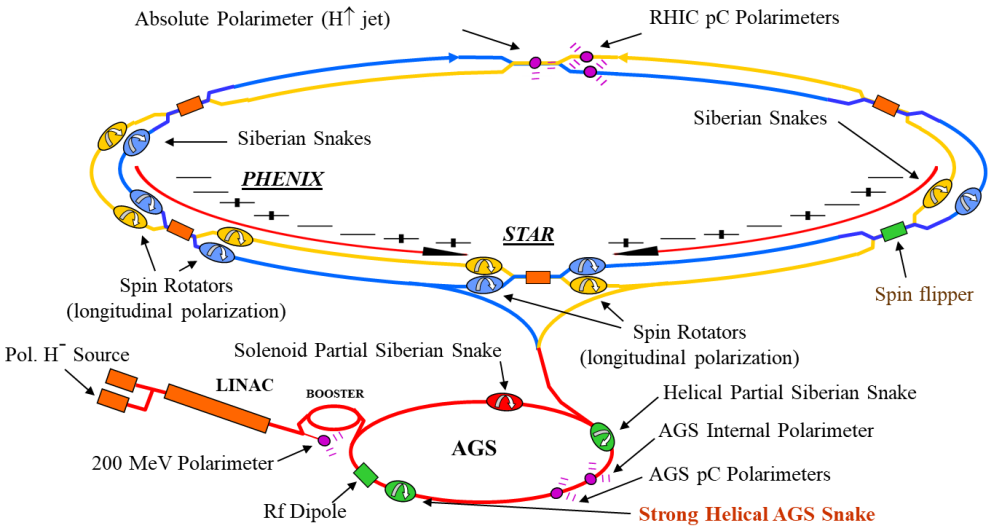


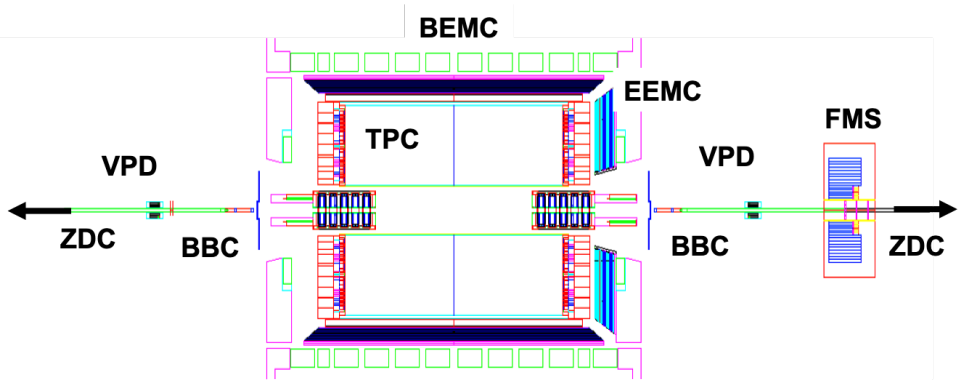




- Experimentally $A_{LL} = \frac{1}{P_B P_Y} \frac{N_{++} - R \times N_{+-}}{N_{++} + R \times N_{+-}}$, with beam polarizations $P_{B(Y)}$, and relative luminosity R
- gg and qg dominate jet production + large $\hat{a}_{LL} \rightarrow$ **making A_{LL} for jets sensitive to gluon polarization** at both $\sqrt{s} = 200$ and 500 GeV

RHIC Facilities and STAR Detectors





- Polarization orientation varies from RF bunches to RF bunches (9.4 MHz).
- Spin rotators provide choice of polarization orientation (longitudinal or transverse)
- Tracking with TPC: $|\eta| < 1.3$
- EM energy with BEMC, -1.0 $< \eta <$ 1.0, EEMC, 1.0 $< \eta <$ 2.0, and FMS, 2.65 $< \eta <$ 3.9

Longitudinally polarized *pp* Dataset at STAR

- Selected longitudinally polarized *pp* datasets at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ and 510 GeV:

Year	$\sqrt{s}$ (GeV)	Recorded Luminosity (pb^{-1})	B/Y polarization $\langle P \rangle$
2009	200	25	55
2012	**510**	**82**	**50/53**
2013	*510*	*300*	*51/52*
2015	*200*	*52*	*53/57*

- 2009 and **2012** data are in publication
- *2013* and *2015* data are under analysis

Impact of STAR 200 GeV *pp* data

Inclusive Jet and Dijet Measurements

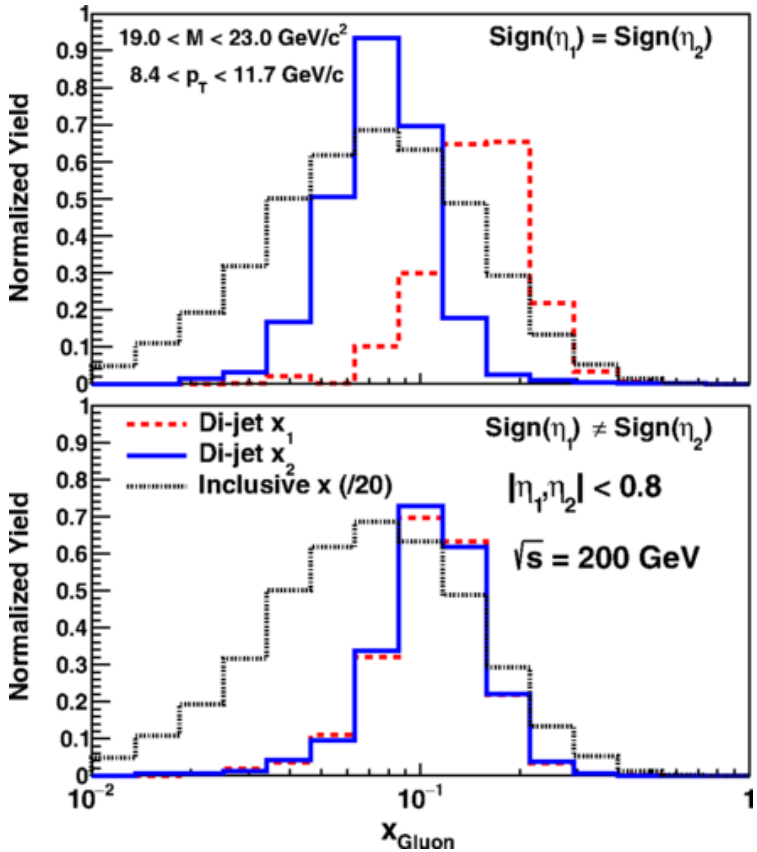
STAR has measured a series of inclusive jet and dijet cross-sections and longitudinal double-spin asymmetry A_{LL}s at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV

- Inclusive jets:
  x_g as low as ~ 0.05 at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV
- Dijets:
  two jet correlation unfolds x_1 and x_2 at the leading order

$$x_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}}(p_{T,3}e^{\eta_3} + p_{T,4}e^{\eta_4})$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}}(p_{T,3}e^{-\eta_3} + p_{T,4}e^{-\eta_4})$$

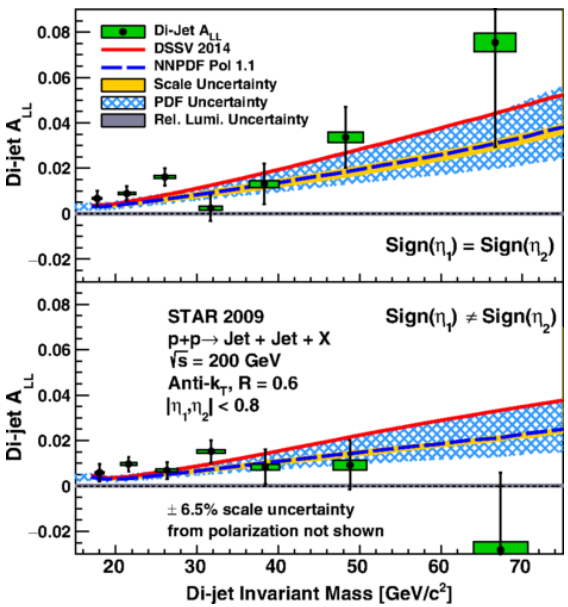
$$M = \sqrt{x_1 x_2 s}$$

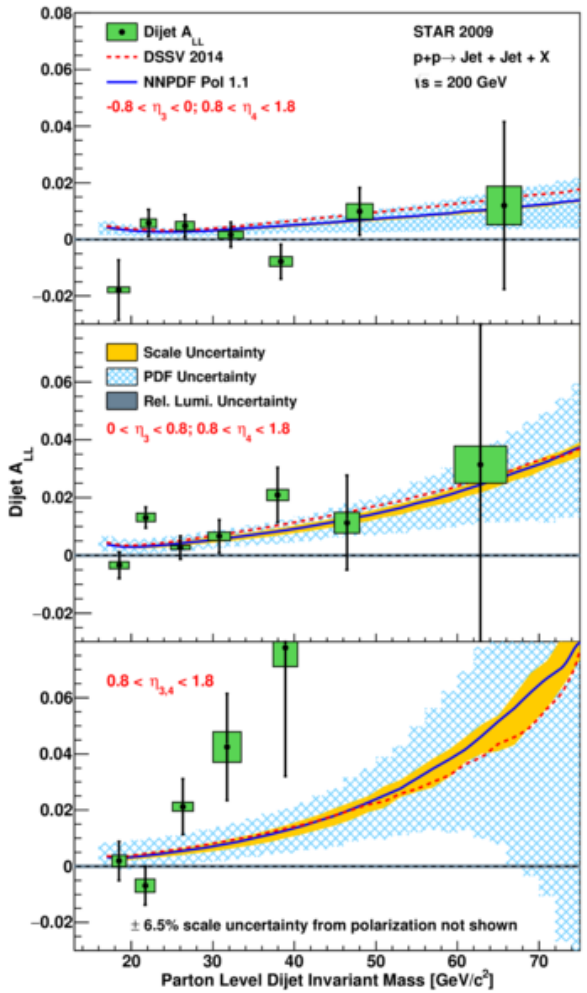


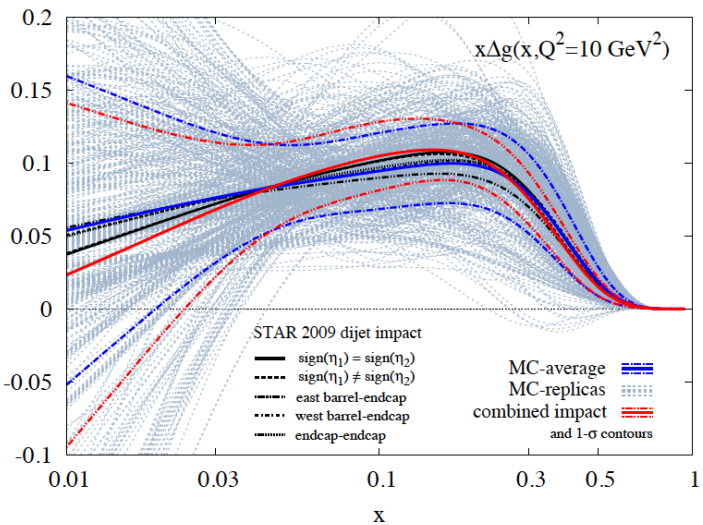
- Sampled x_g distributions by inclusive and dijets at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV PRD 95, 071103(R)

Impact of Recent STAR Results

- Recent STAR dijet A_{LL} results: both jets in $|\eta| < 0.8$, PRD 95, 071103(R) and at least one jet in $0.8 < \eta < 1.8$, PRD 98, 032011





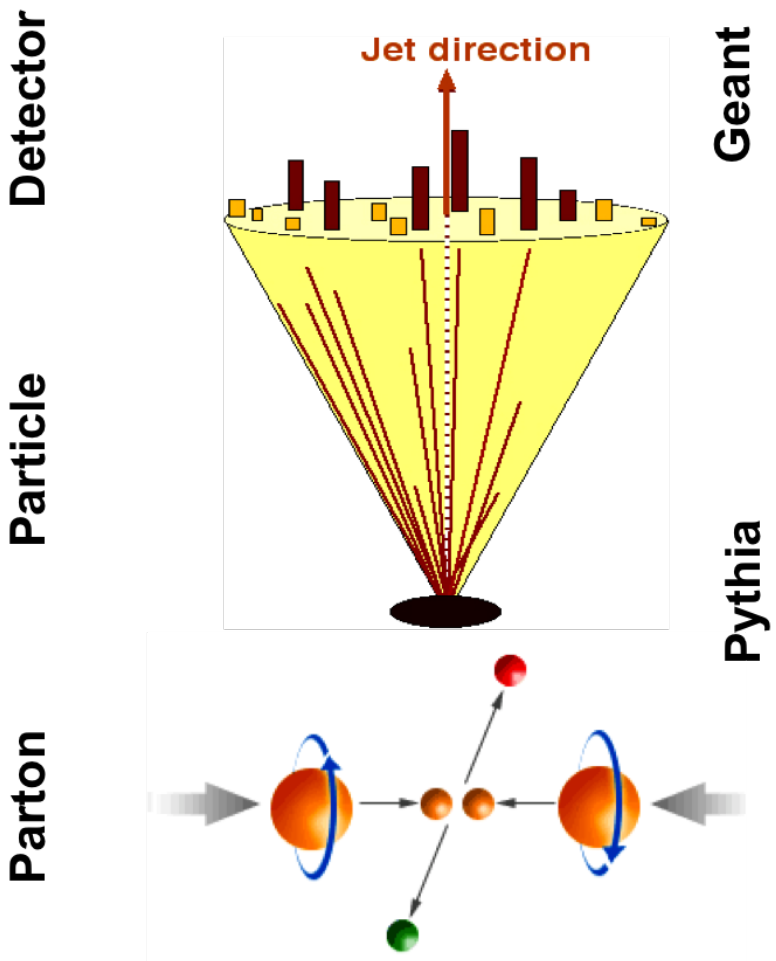


- Recent DSSV study with our STAR 200 GeV dijet results:

$\int_{0.01}^{1} \Delta g(x, Q^2 = 10 GeV^2) = 0.296 \pm 0.108$ arXiv:1902.10548 [hep-ph]

Recent study of STAR 510 GeV *pp* data

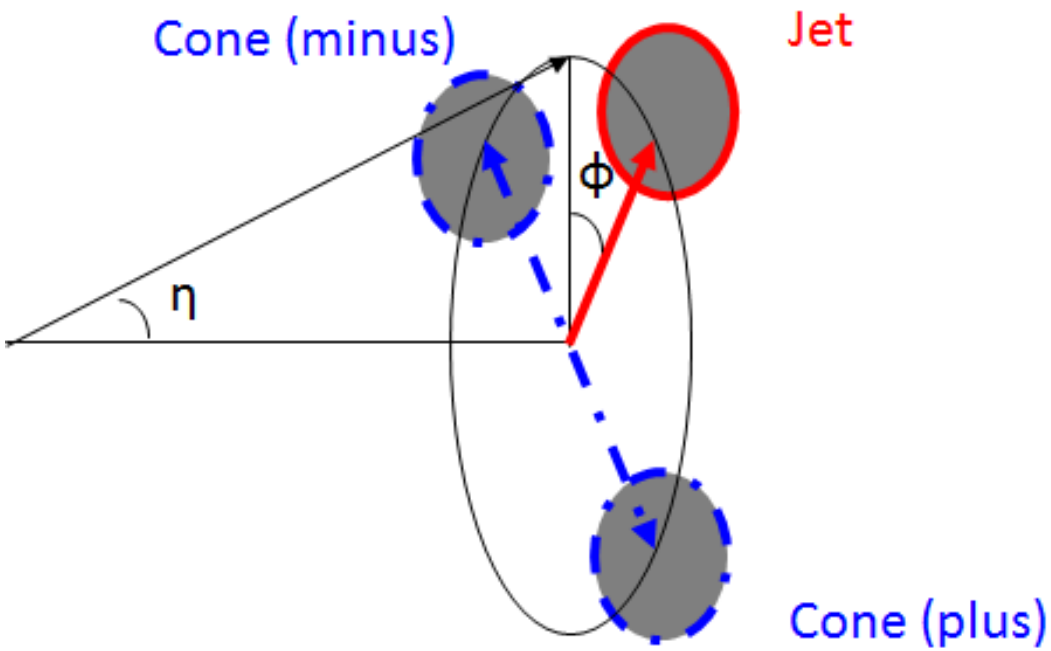
Jet Reconstruction and Systematic Uncertainty Studies



- Charged tracks + electro-magnetic towers
- Anti-k_T algorithm with $R = 0.5$ for $\sqrt{s} = 510$ GeV dataset
- PYTHIA + GEANT + Zero-bias events as embedding sample
  - Data-driven modified PYTHIA Perugia Tune
- Correct jet p_T and dijet M_{inv} from measured detector jets to PYTHIA parton jets
- Determine systematic uncertainties:
  - Comparing predicted jet A_{LL} between triggered detector jets and un-biased PYTHIA parton jets $\rightarrow$ trigger bias and reconstruction uncertainty

Underlying Event Correction to Jet Transverse Energy

- Two off-axis cones centered at $\pm\frac{\pi}{2}$ away in ϕ and the same η relative to a given jet are used to estimate underlying event for that jet ALICE, PRD 91, 112012.



- The underlying event correction on jet transverse momentum: $dp_T = \frac{1}{2}(\rho_{plus} + \rho_{minus}) \times A_{jet}$
- Sample η dependence of underlying events
- Allow to study the underlying event contribution to jet A_{LL}

Monte Carlo Tune Study

- Choose default Perugia 2012 tune with a smaller $p_{T,0}$ scale parameter ($P_{90} = 0.213$ default 0.24)

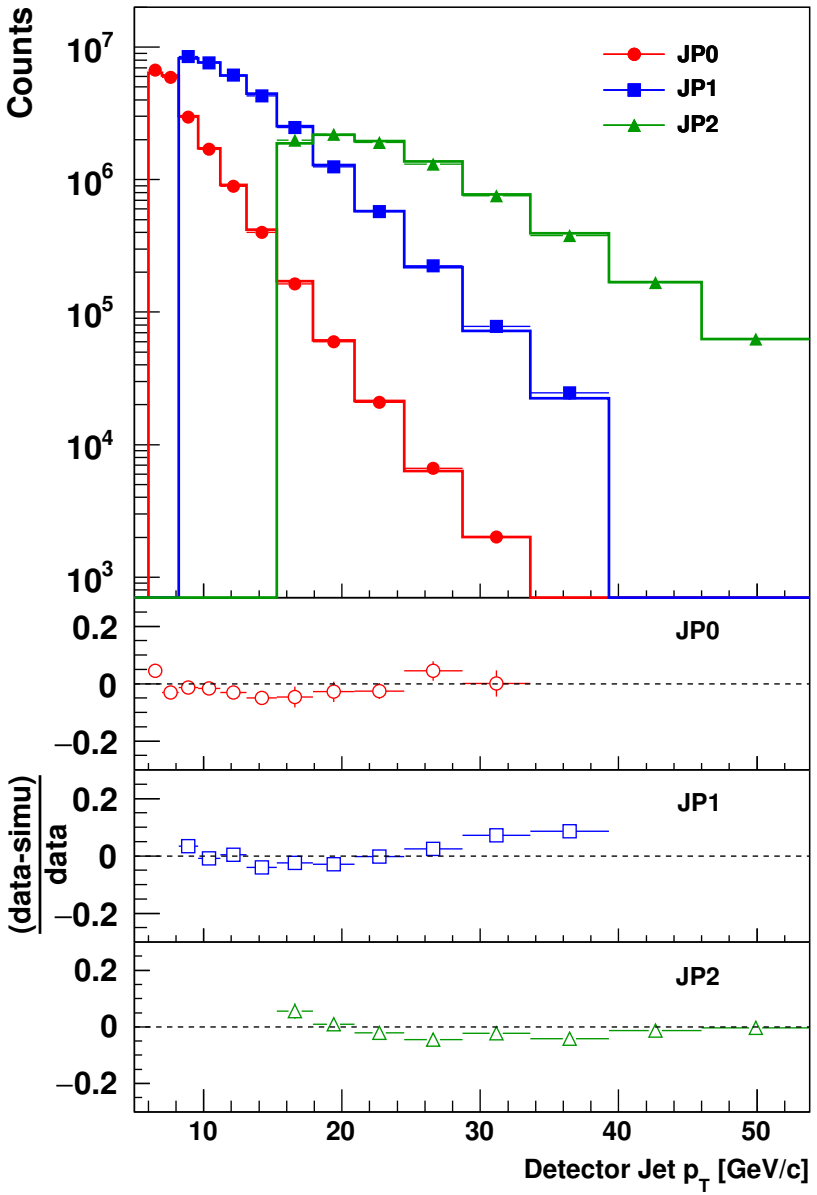
$$\sigma \sim \frac{1}{(p_T^2 + p_{T,0}^2)^2}$$

$$p_{T,0} = p_{T,ref} \times \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\sqrt{s_{ref}}}\right)^{P_{90}}$$

- Reduce multiple parton interaction contribution
- Lead to better matching between PYTHIA simulation and previous STAR charged $\pi^{\pm}$ spectrum measurements PLB 637, 161 and PRL 108, 072302
- Jet spectrum comparison for three jet patch triggers, JP0, JP1 and JP2

Markers: data and lines: simulation

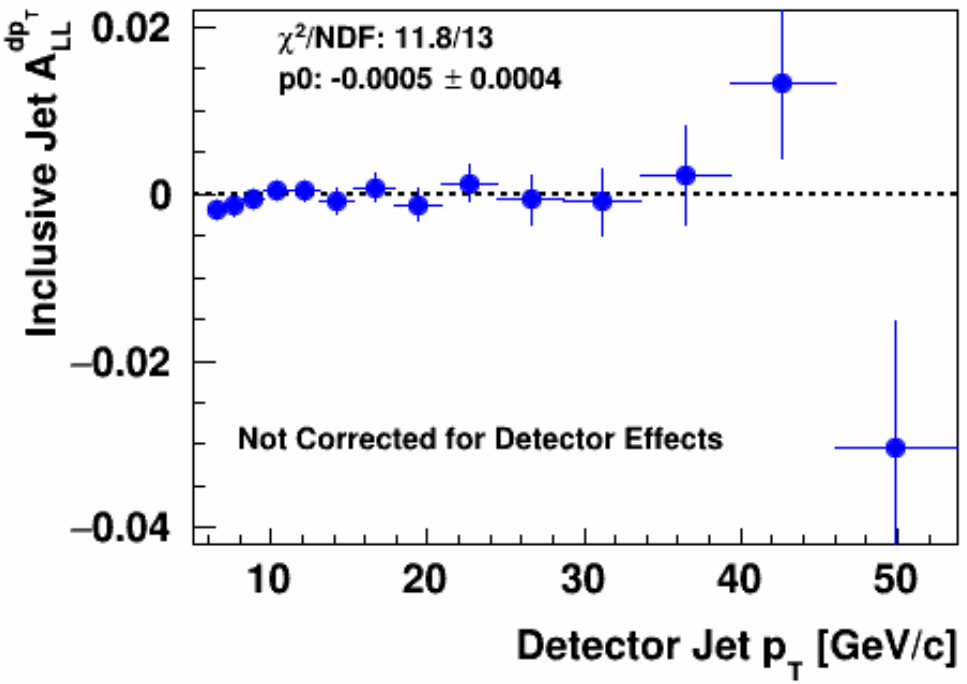
arXiv:1906.02740 [hep-ex]



Effects of Underlying Events on Measured Jet A_{LL}

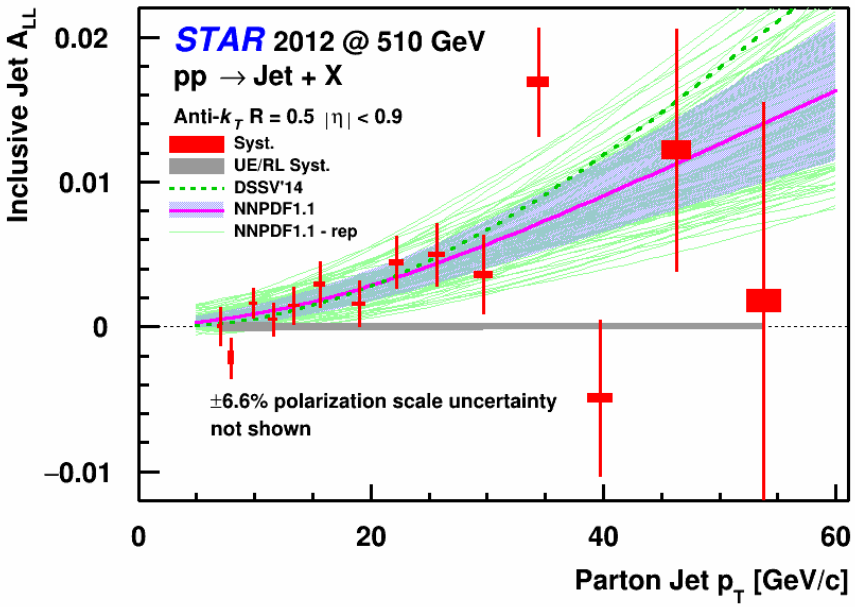
- Define underlying event correction dp_T asymmetry:

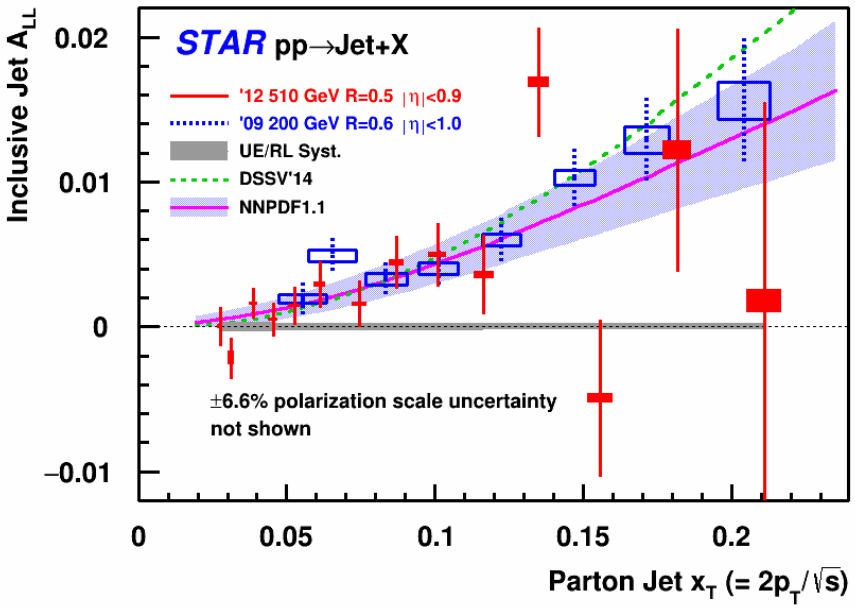
$$A_{LL}^{dpT} = \frac{1}{P_A P_B} \frac{(< dp_T >^{++} + < dp_T >^{--}) - (< dp_T >^{+-} + < dp_T >^{-+})}{(< dp_T >^{++} + < dp_T >^{--}) + (< dp_T >^{+-} + < dp_T >^{-+})}$$



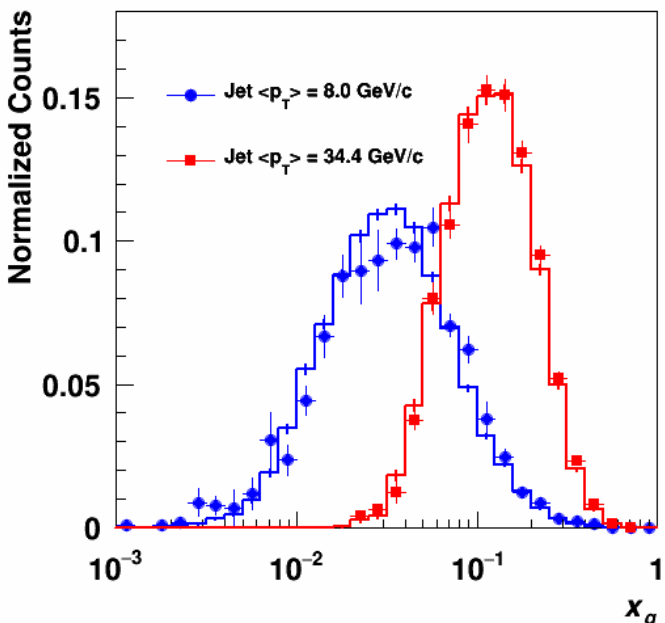
- Underlying event correction dp_T asymmetries are **consistent with zero** arXiv:1906.02740 [hep-ex]
- Underlying event contribution to measured jet A_{LL} is estimated to be $\sim 10^{-4}$, assigned as an uncertainty

STAR 510 GeV Inclusive Jet A_{LL} Measurements

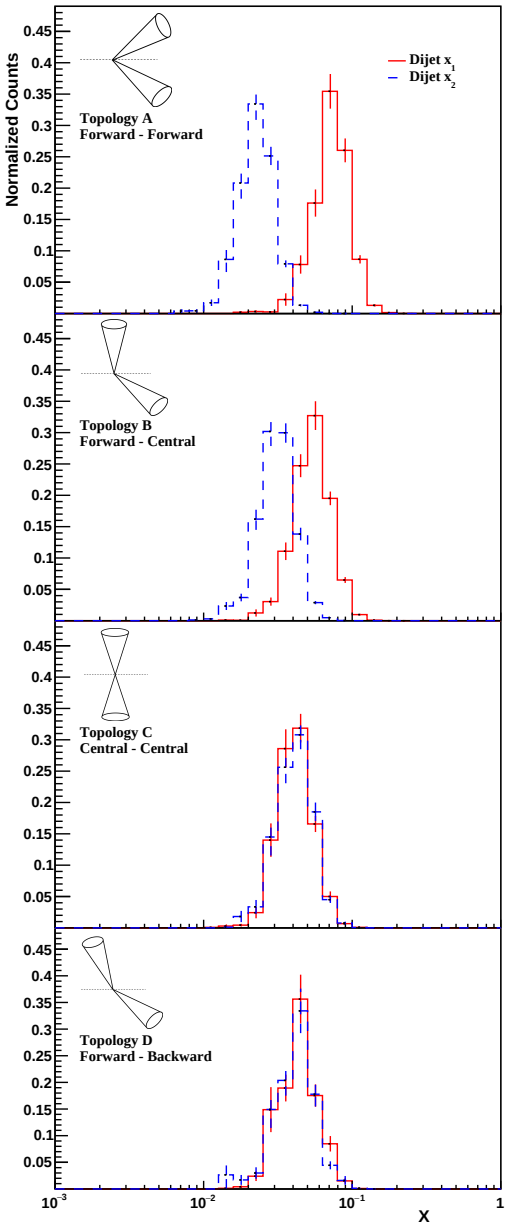


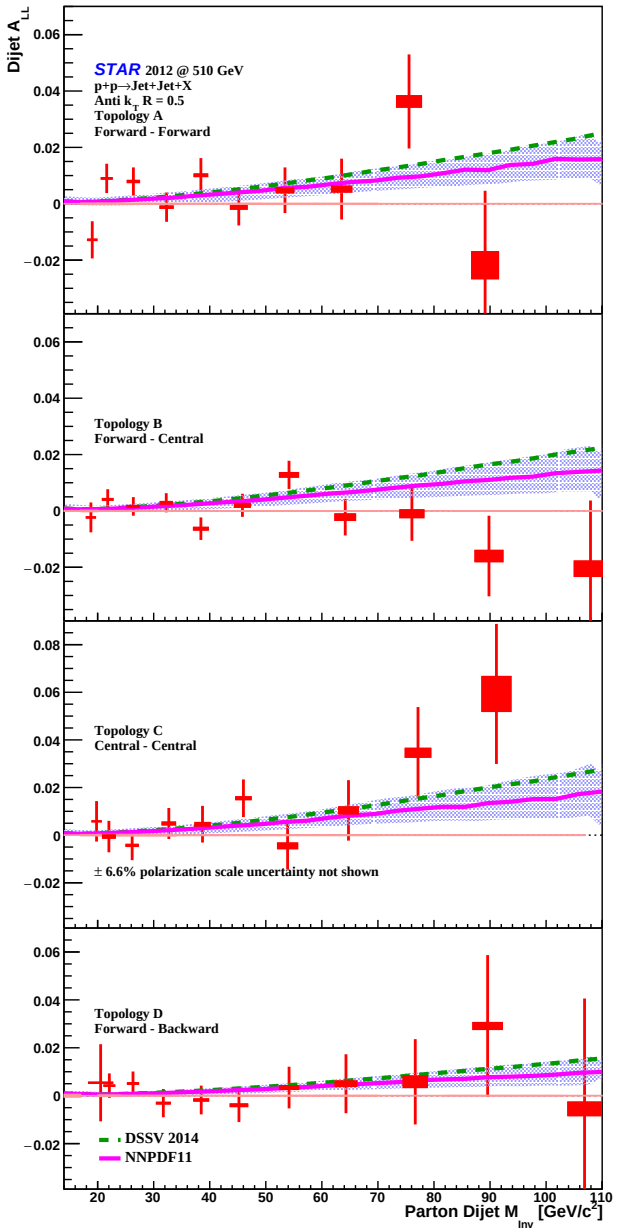


- Much reduced systematic uncertainty than the previous measurements at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV, arXiv:1906.02740 [hep-ex]
- Agree with recent polarized PDF predictions
- In the overlapping $x_T = \frac{2p_T}{\sqrt{s}}$ region, both results agree well
- Allow to access x_g as low as **0.015**



STAR 510 GeV Dijet A_{LL} Measurements





- Dijet A_{LL} vs. invariant mass for four η topologies, arXiv:1906.02740 [hep-ex]

  A/Forward-Forward:
  $0.3 < |\eta_{3,4}| < 0.9$
  $\eta_3 \cdot \eta_4 > 0$

  B/Forward-Central:
  $|\eta_{3,4}| < 0.3$,
  $0.3 < |\eta_{3,4}| < 0.9$

  C/Central-Central:
  $|\eta_{3,4}| < 0.3$

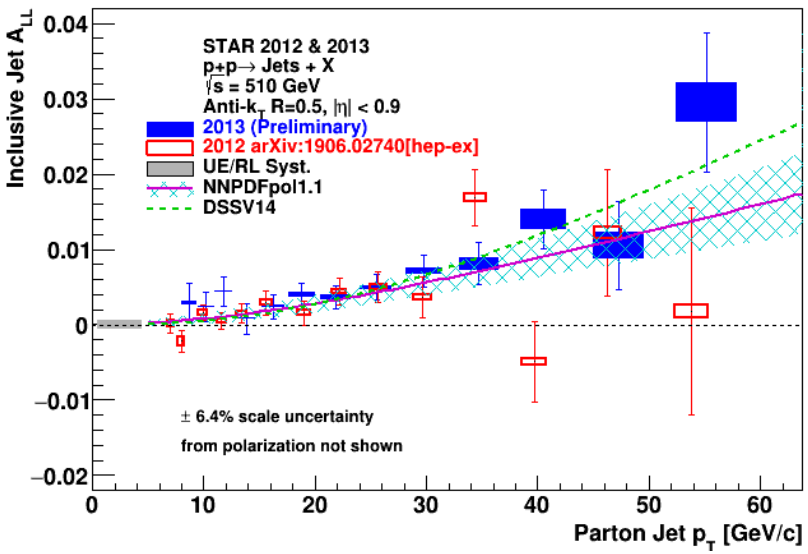
  D/Forward-Backward:
  $0.3 < |\eta_{3,4}| < 0.9$
  $\eta_3 \cdot \eta_4 < 0$

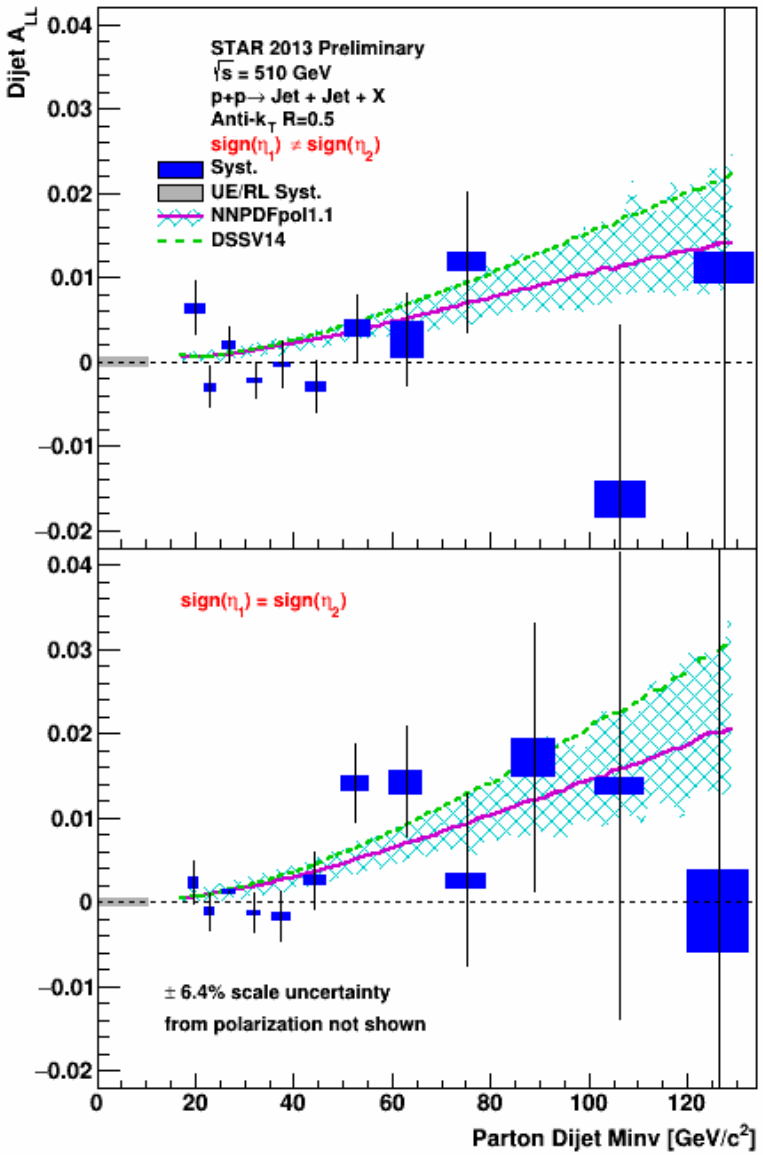
- Topology binning narrows the sampled x_g and the $cos\theta^*$ ranges

- Sampled x_g distributions much narrower than those from inclusive jets

Inclusive and Dijet A_{LL} from STAR 2013 510 GeV Data

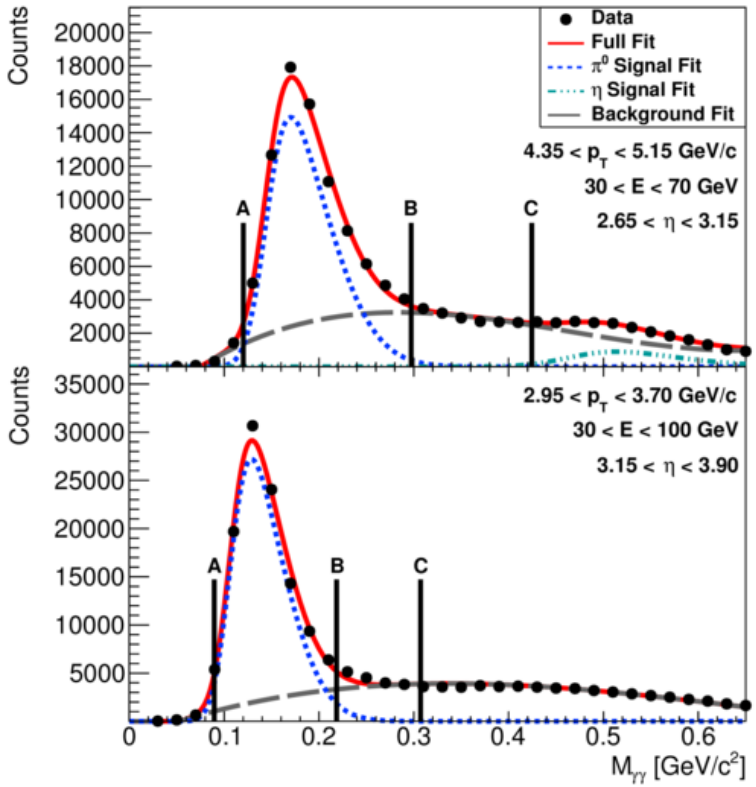
- Preliminary inclusive jet (left) and dijet (right) A_{LL} from STAR 2013 510 GeV data, arXiv:1809.00923 [nucl-ex]

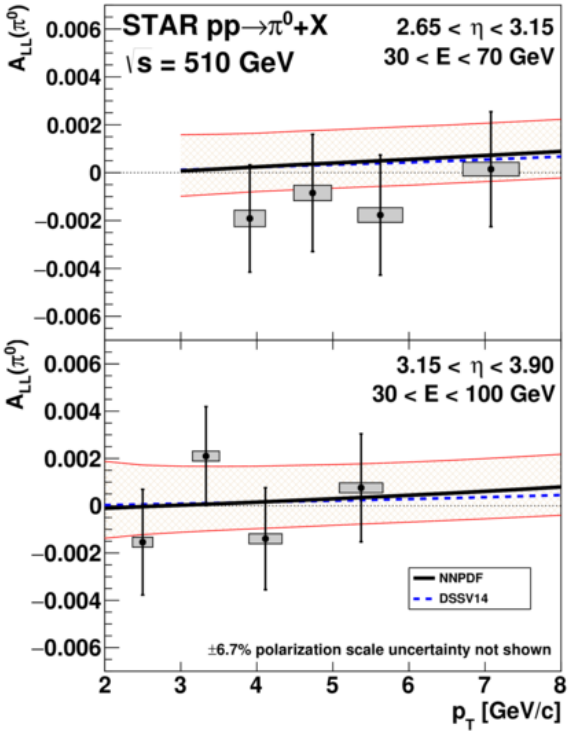




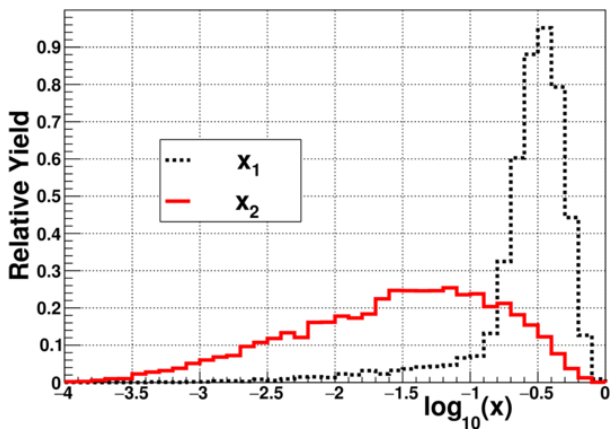
- Same procedure being applied as in 2012 $\sqrt{s} = 510$ GeV data
- The 2012 and 2013 results agree well
- Two η topologies for dijet A_{LL}
- The study of the systematic uncertainty is underway for the final results

STAR 510 GeV Forward π^0 A_{LL}





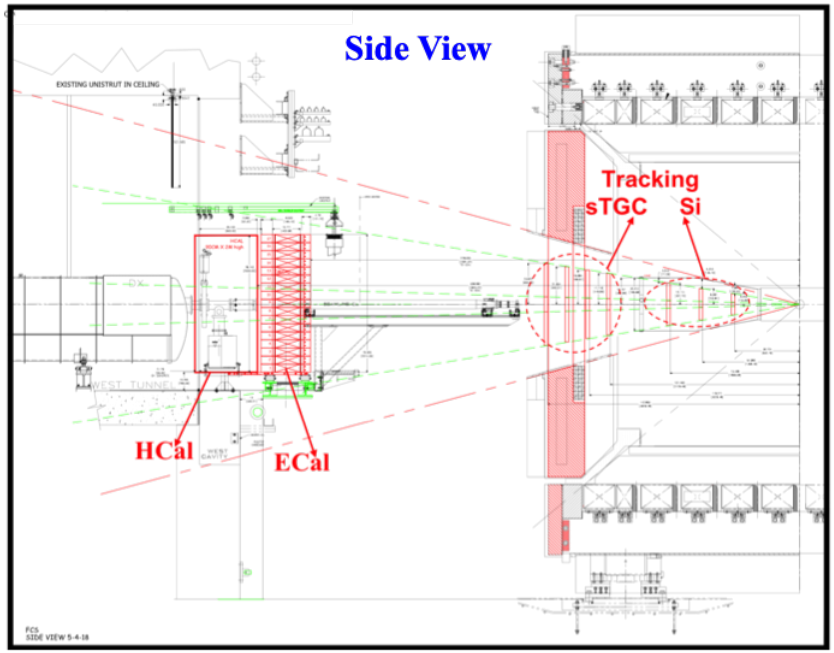
- π^0 reconstructed in STAR FMS PRD 98, 032013
- Measured A_{LL} is small, less than 5×10^{-3}
- Allow to access $x_g \sim 10^{-3}$

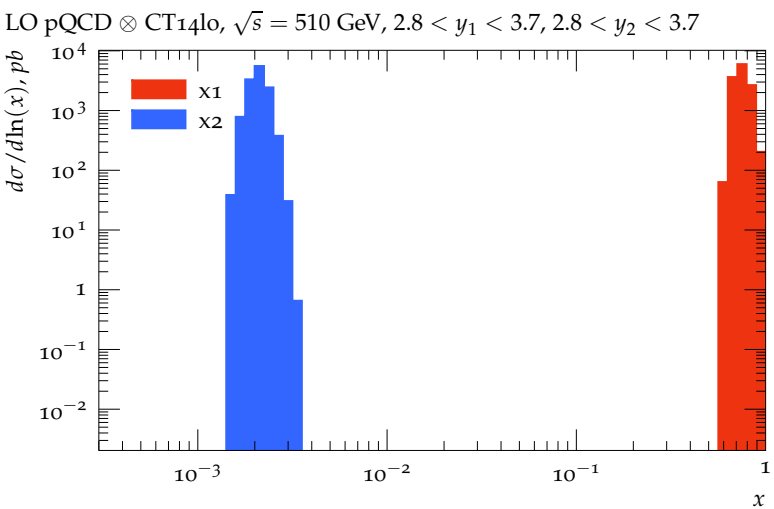


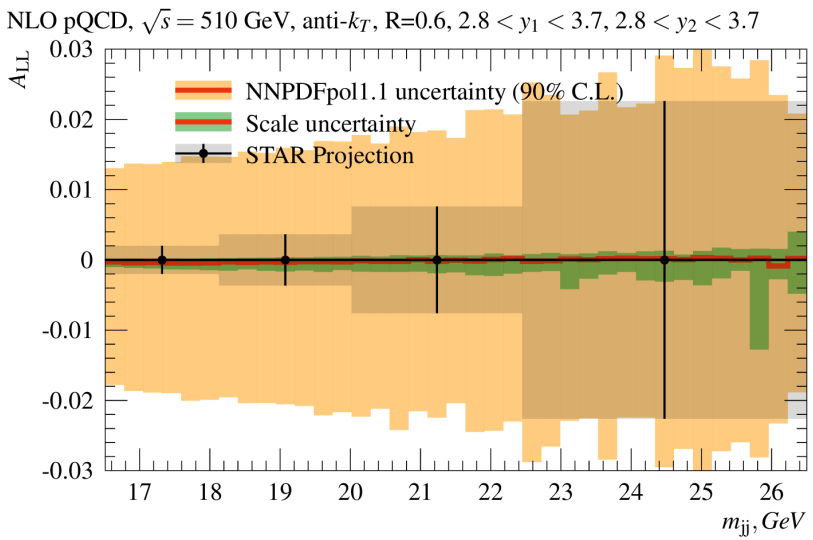
STAR Forward Upgrade

- STAR is planning to install a Forward Calorimeter System (FCS), including an EMCal and a HCal, and a Forwarding Tracking System (FTS) in time for 2022 RHIC run
- Dijet measurements with one or both jets in the forward region ($2.8 < \eta < 3.7$) will be one of the highlights of this upgrade
- With both jets in the FCS, it will provide gluon polarization at $x_g \sim 10^{-3}$

STAR note: PSN0648







Conclusion

- STAR inclusive jet and dijet double-spin asymmetry measurements are unique to explore gluon polarization in the proton
- The 510 GeV results extend gluon polarization over $x \sim 0.015$ to $x \sim 0.2$, arXiv:1906.02740 [hep-ex]
  1. Inclusive jets will constrain the magnitude of the gluon polarization
  2. Dijets will constrain the shape of $\Delta g(x)$
- Inclusive jet and dijet A_{LL} are being studied from the 2013 pp at $\sqrt{s} = 510$ GeV
- Combined inclusive jet A_{LL} from the larger 2015 200 GeV and the smaller published 2009 data will improve the statistical precision by a factor of about 1.6
- The forward upgrade will provide new opportunities to probe low $x \sim 10^{-3}$ gluon polarization where the current polarized PDF studies show large uncertainties

Backup

Underlying Event Systematics on Jet A_{LL}

$$\delta A_{LL} = \frac{\int_{p_{T,min}-<dp_T>\times A_{LL}^{dp_T}}^{p_{T,max}-<dp_T>\times A_{LL}^{dp_T}} \frac{d\sigma}{dp_T} dp_T - \int_{p_{T,min}+<dp_T>\times A_{LL}^{dp_T}}^{p_{T,max}+<dp_T>\times A_{LL}^{dp_T}} \frac{d\sigma}{dp_T} dp_T}{\int_{p_{T,min}-<dp_T>\times A_{LL}^{dp_T}}^{p_{T,max}-<dp_T>\times A_{LL}^{dp_T}} \frac{d\sigma}{dp_T} dp_T + \int_{p_{T,min}+<dp_T>\times A_{LL}^{dp_T}}^{p_{T,max}+<dp_T>\times A_{LL}^{dp_T}} \frac{d\sigma}{dp_T} dp_T} \quad (1)$$

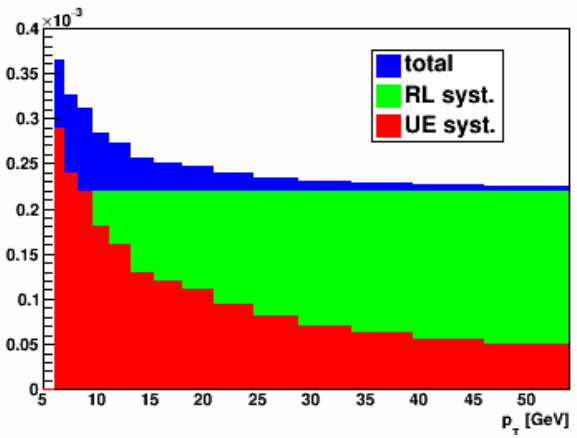


Figure: Underlying event systematic uncertainty on inclusive jet A_{LL} for 2012 510 GeV data compared with systematic uncertainty due to relative luminosity.

STAR Charged $\pi^{\pm}$ Spectrum

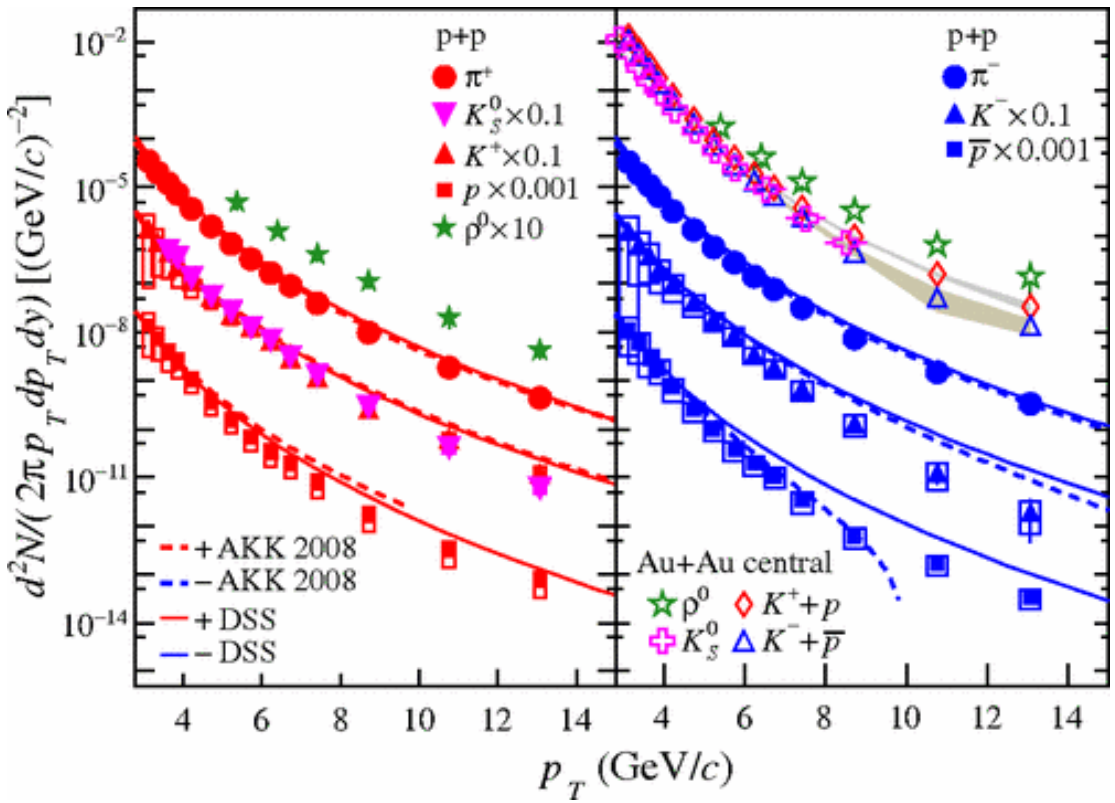


Figure: STAR charged $\pi^{\pm}$ yields. PRL 108, 072302, 2012