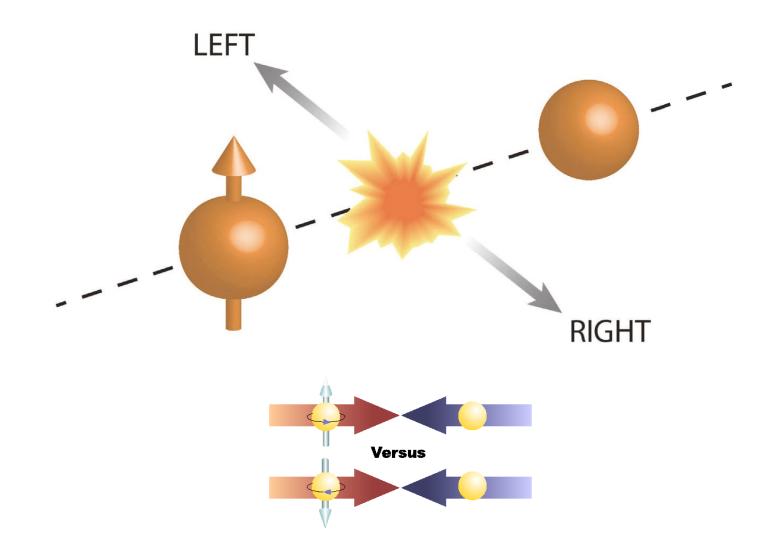
Transverse Single Spin Asymmetry of Very Forward π^0 Production Using RHICf Detector in Polarized Proton-Proton Collision



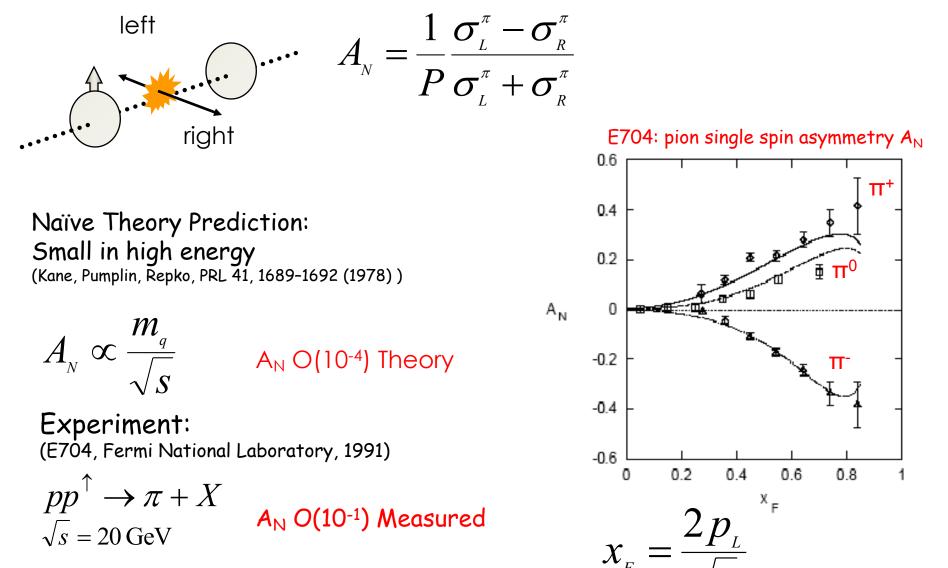
Outline

- Introduction
 - Transverse Single Spin Asymmetry
 - Proton spin decomposition (Proton spin puzzle)
- Status of the proton spin puzzle
- New RHICF experiment @ STAR
- Hypothesis to connect new and existing data and orbital angular momentum
- Physics opportunity for FoCAL at RHIC by testing above hypothesis.

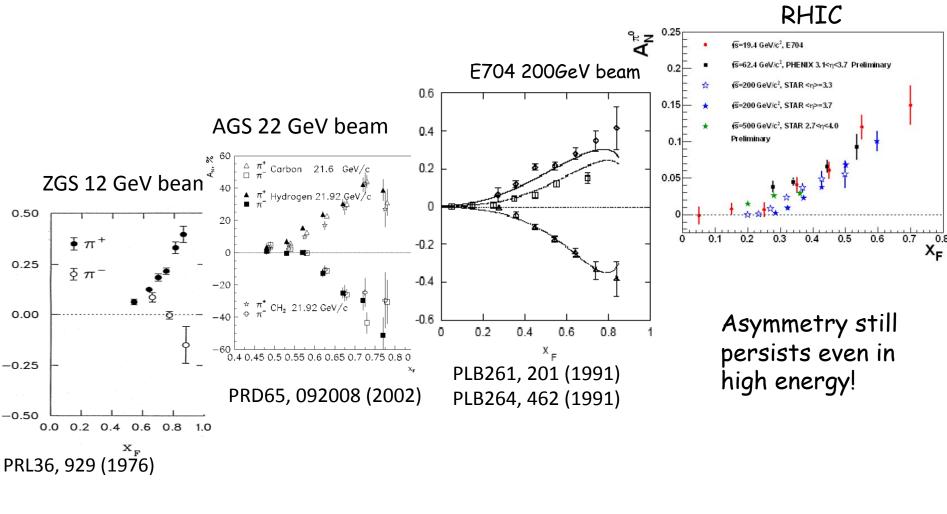
Transverse Single Spin Asymmetry



Pioneering Transverse Single Spin Assymmetry

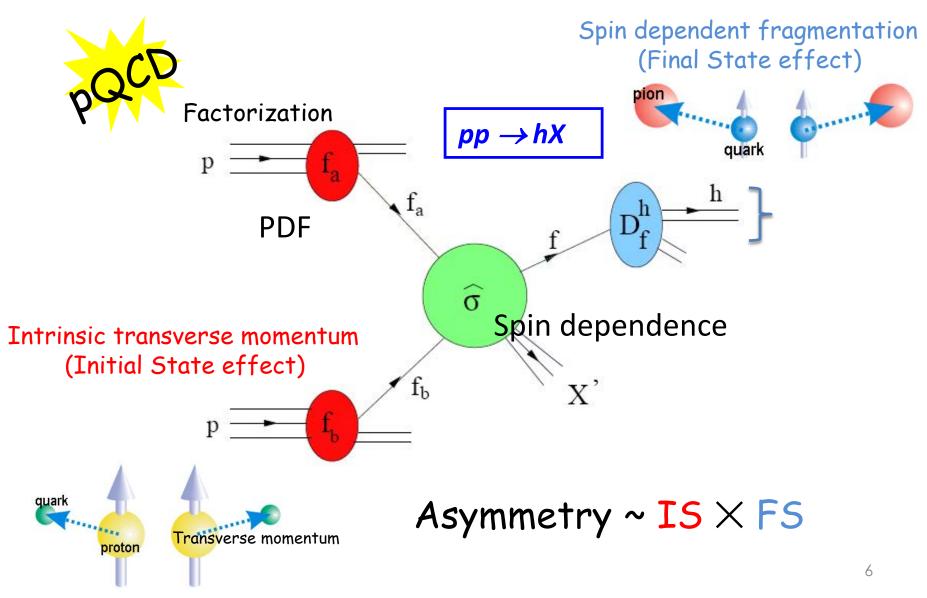


Energy Dependence of A_N



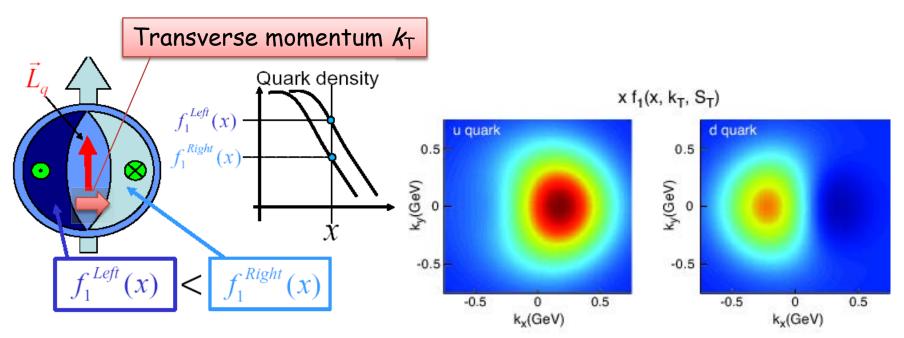
Non-perturbative Perturbative

Origin of Left-Right Asymmetry



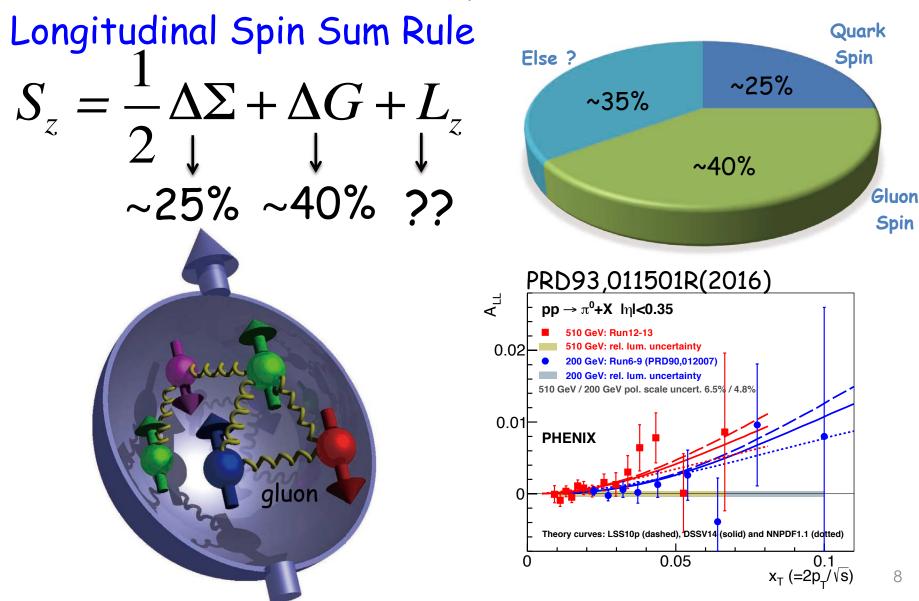
Intrinsic Transverse Momentum and Orbital Angular Momentum

If a parton has a orbital angular momentum in a nucleon, the probability to find the parton which carries the momentum fraction x is different between left and right sides of nucleon

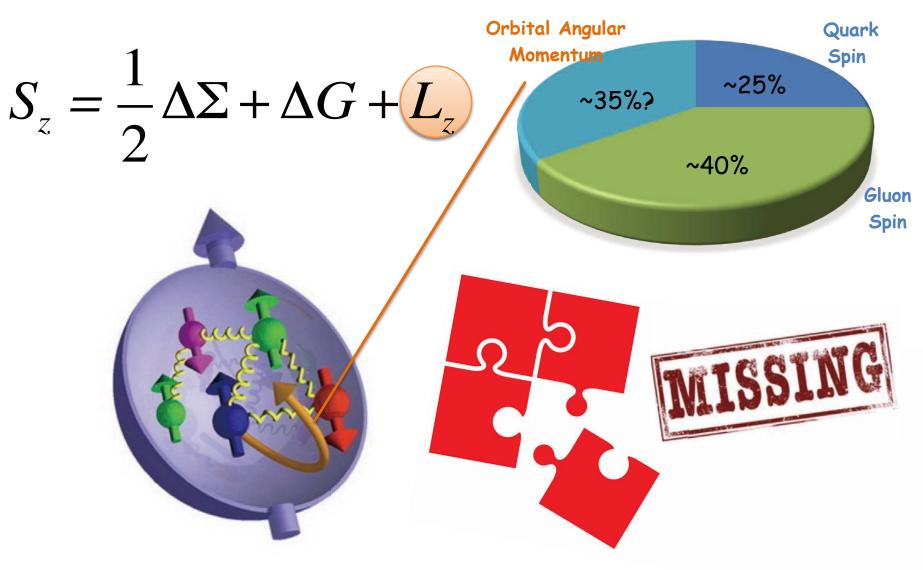


Quark transverse momentum distributions

Proton Spin Puzzle

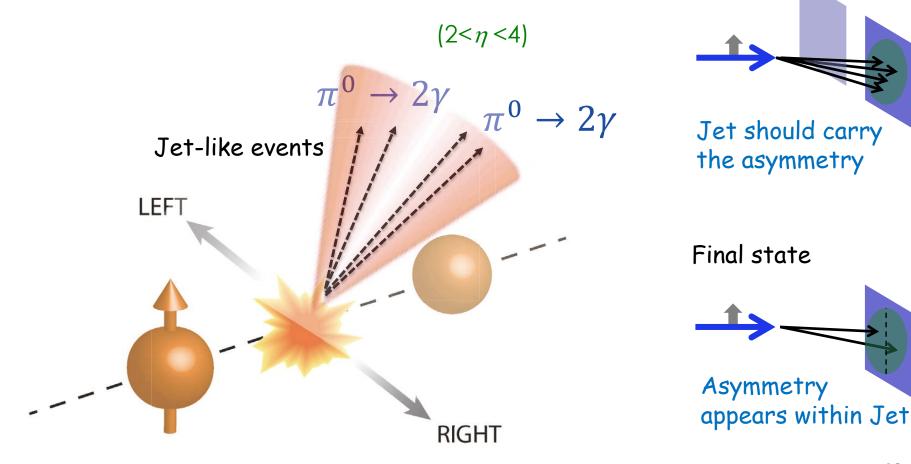


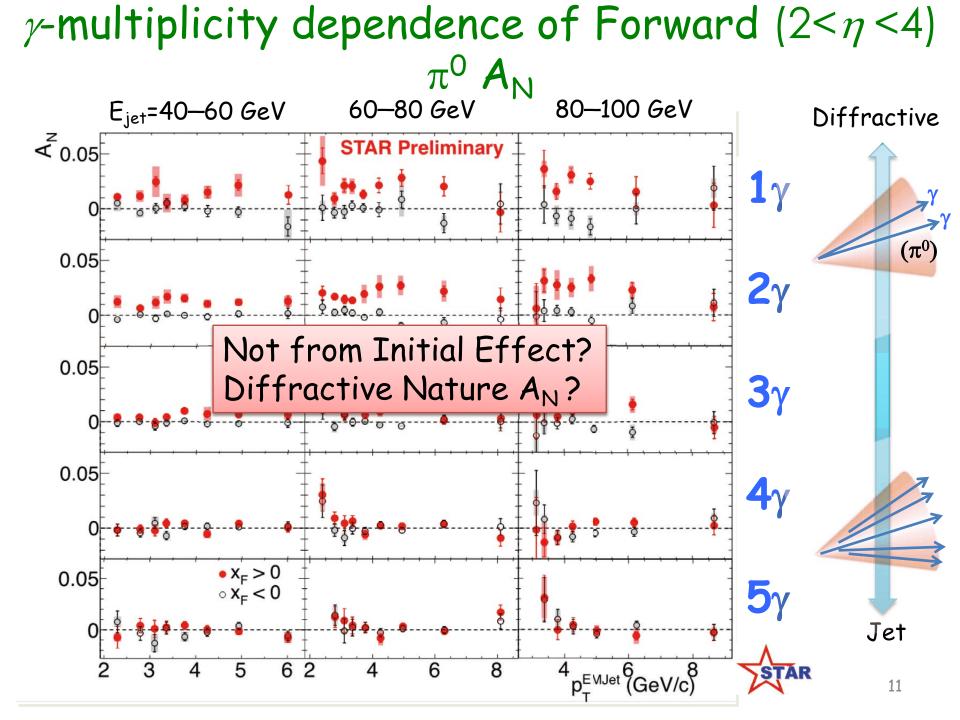
Orbital Angular Momentum

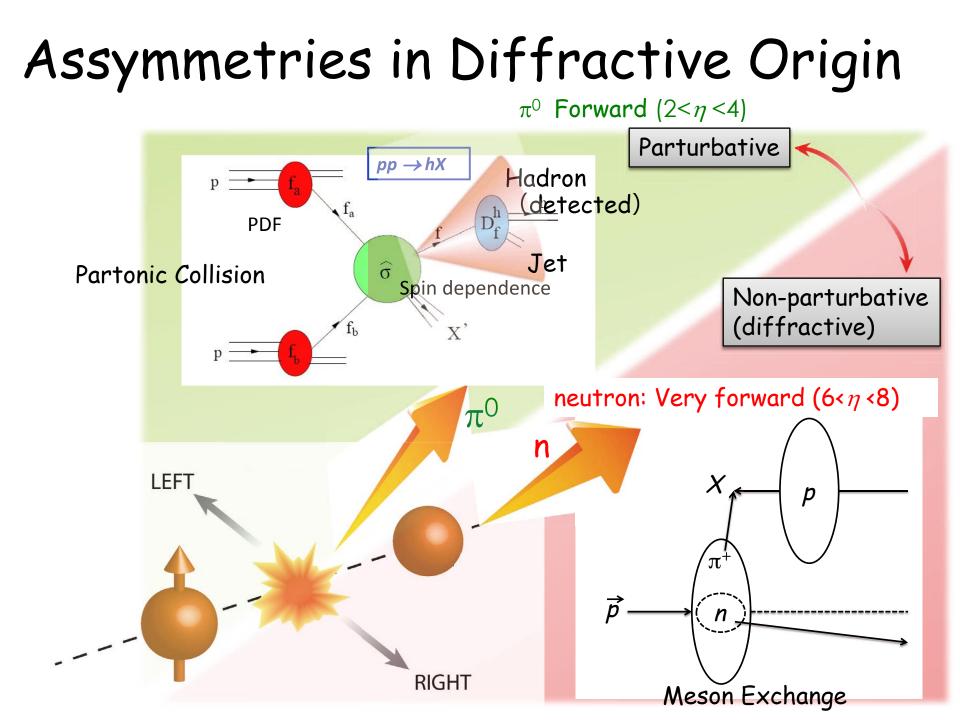


Next Generation Experiments

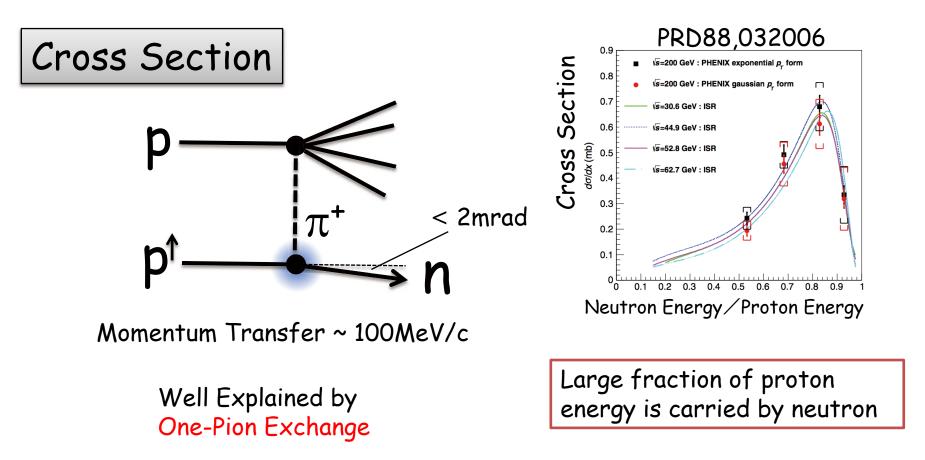
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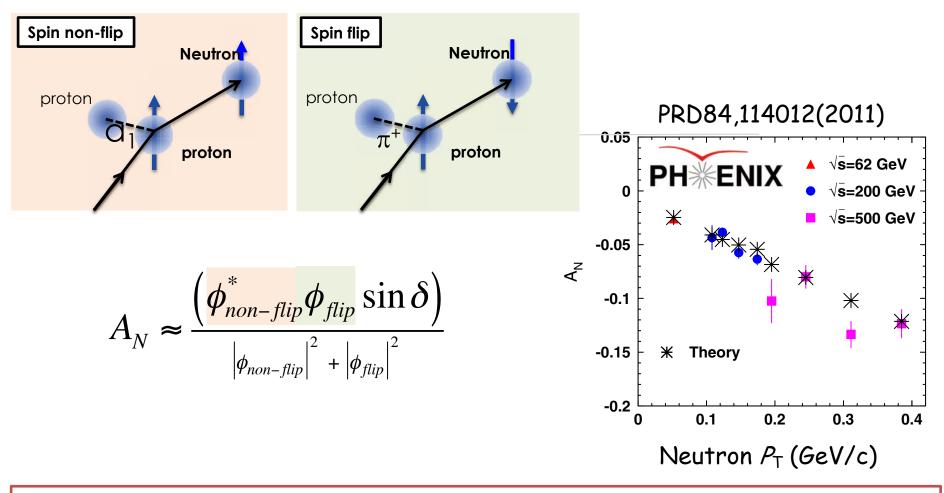




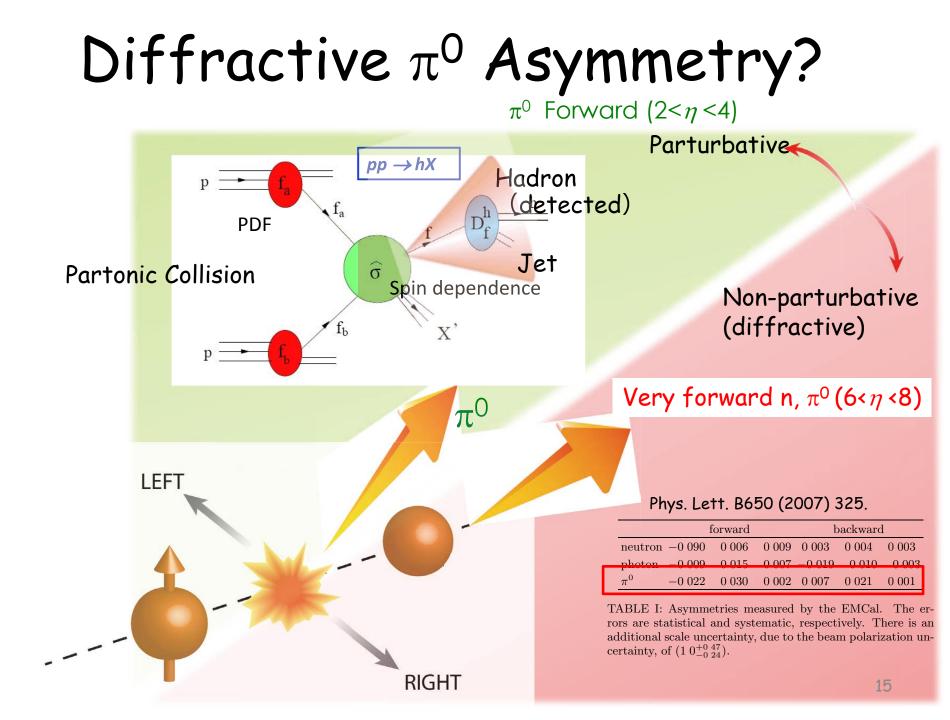
Production Mechanism of Forward Neutron

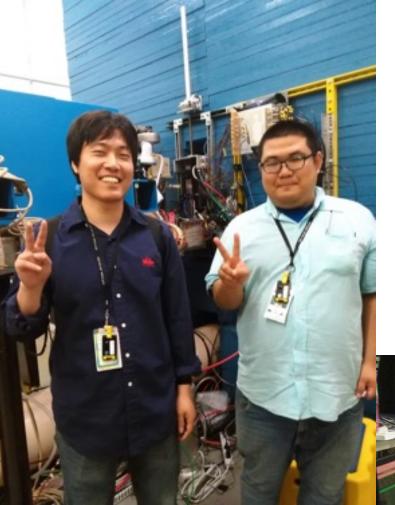


$p^{\uparrow}+p$ Forward Neutron A_N

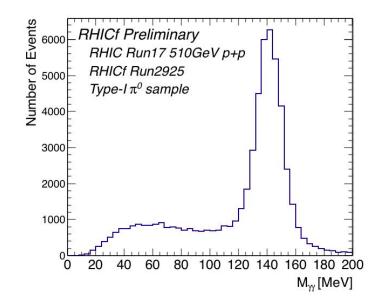


Asymmetries are well reproduced by the interference between π and a_1 Reggeon. However, the coupling between p and a_1 is model dependent assumption





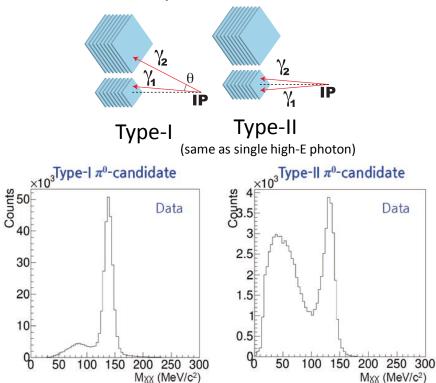






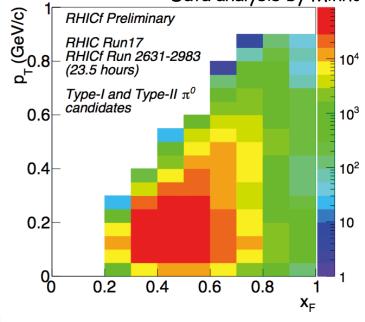
π^0 Offline Analysis

- π^0 peak with ~10 MeV/ c^2 width
 - 3σ region selected as π^0 candidates
- *p*₇ < 1.0 GeV/*c*
- $0.2 < x_F < 1.0$

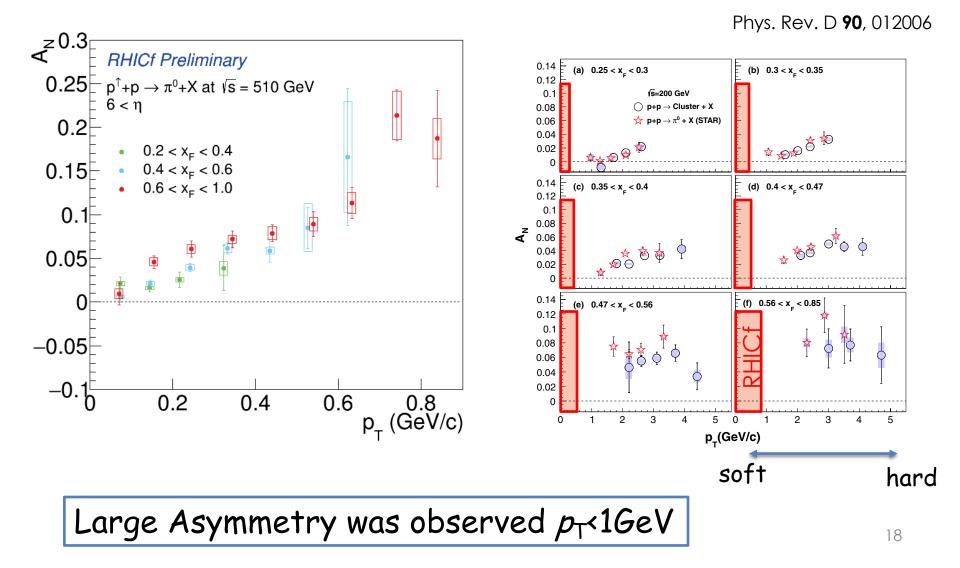




Data analysis by Minho Kim

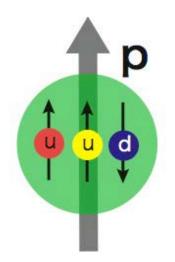


π^0 Asymmetry Preliminary Results



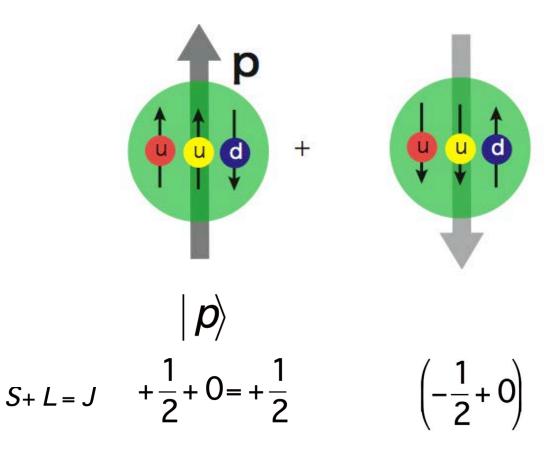
THEORETICAL INTERPRETATION

My personal hypothesis

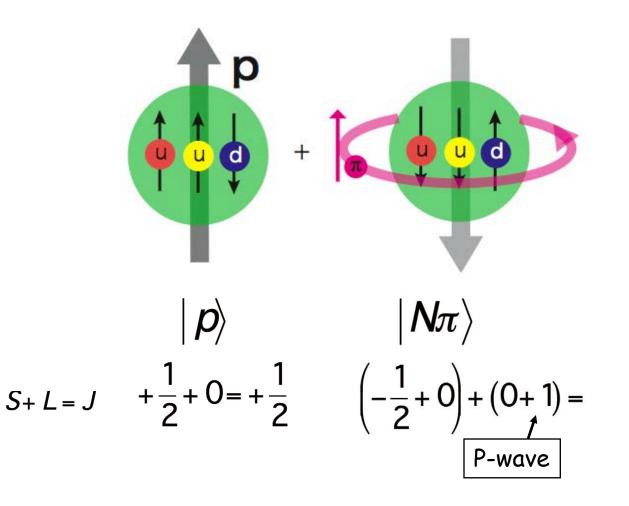


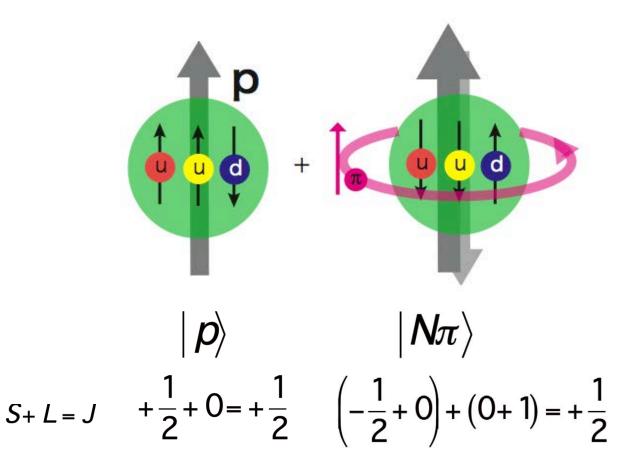
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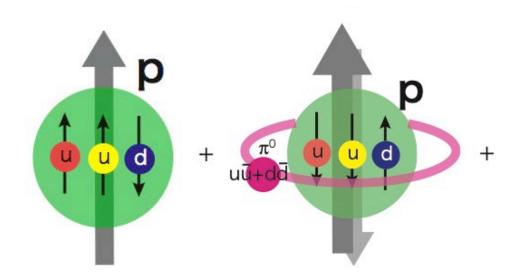
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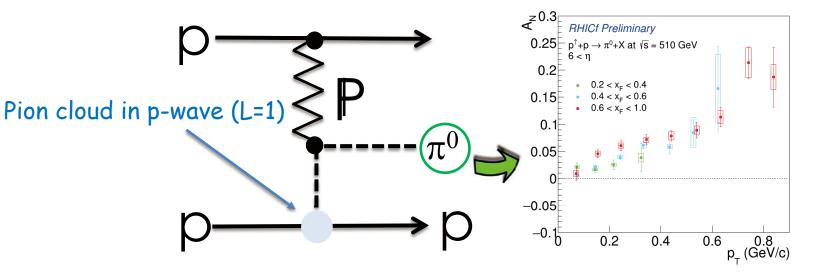


Pion cloud model

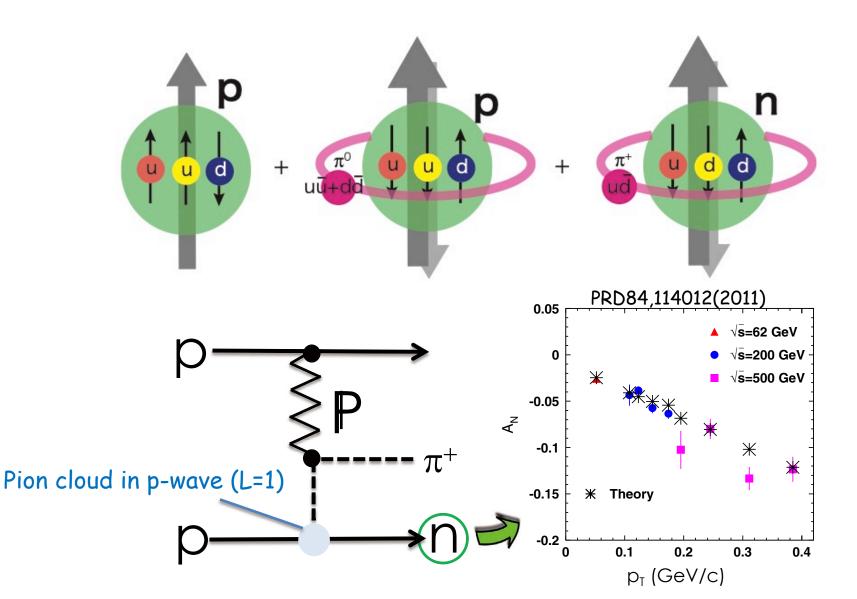




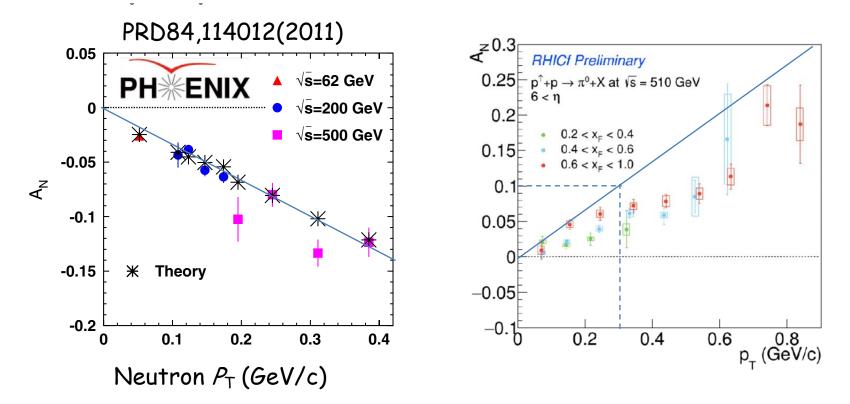




Orbital Momentum & Diffractive π^0



Can π^0 and neutron A_N be same origin?

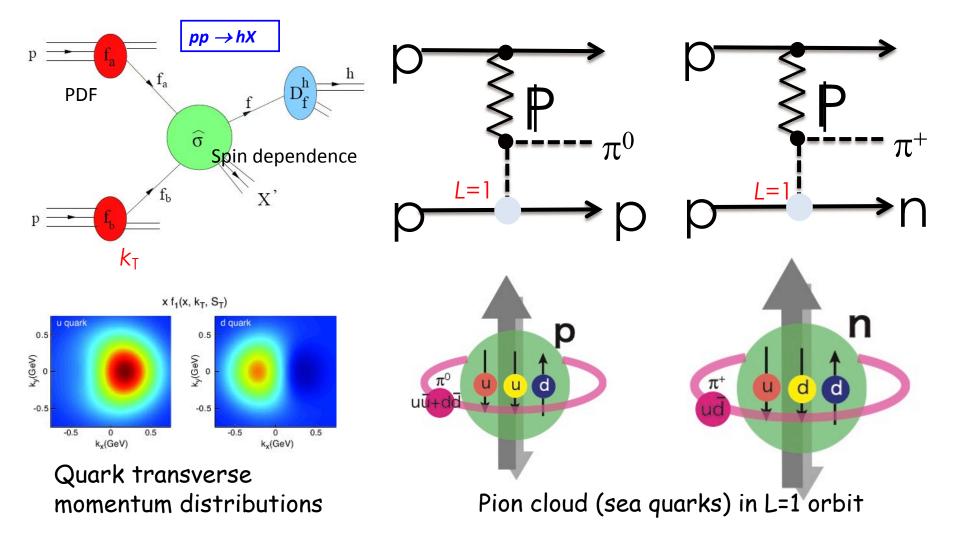


If they come from the same origin, the slope should be same but opposite sign

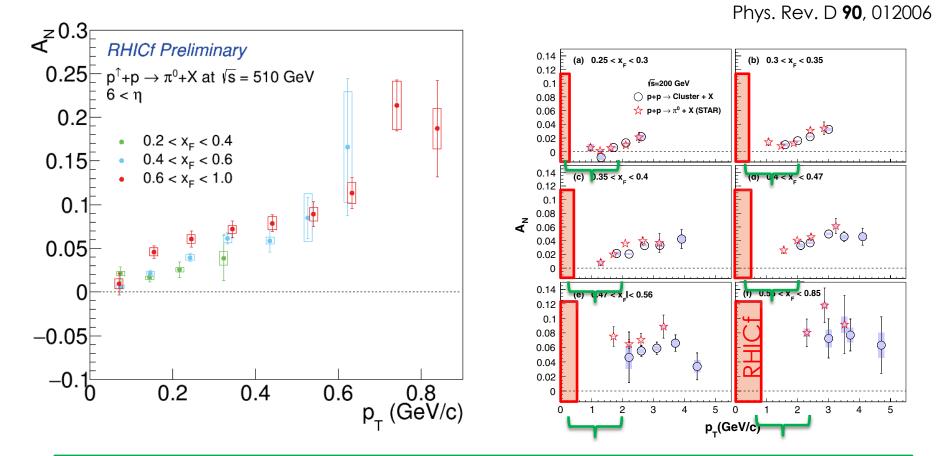
- Not sure if (pi+, pi0) suppose to have same orbital angular momentum.
- Above data are inclusive. Need to guarantee 2-body decay to require $A_N^n = -A_N^{\pi^+}$
- Kinematic conditions are not necessarily consistent between 2 measurements.
- Etc.

Intrinsic Orbital Motion via Different Means

Aren't we measuring same orbital angular momentum in different scale?



π^0 Asymmetry Preliminary Results



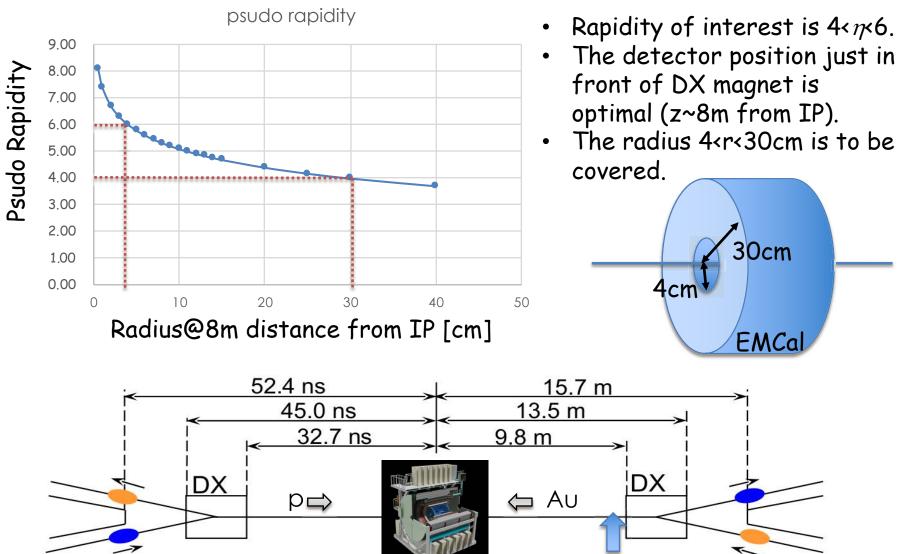
New possible opportunity to extract physics by FoCAL?

sPHENIX Running schedule

	Year	Species	Energy [GeV]	Wks	Rec. L	Samp. L	Samp. L (all-z)	_
2023	Year-1	Au+Au	200	16.0	$7 \mathrm{nb}^{-1}$	$8.7 \mathrm{~nb^{-1}}$	34 nb^{-1}	_
2024	Year-2	<i>p</i> + <i>p</i>	200	11.5		48 pb^{-1}	$267 \ { m pb}^{-1}$	
2024	ical 2	p+p p+Au	200	11.5		$0.33 \ {\rm pb}^{-1}$	$1.46 \ { m pb}^{-1}$	
2025	Year-3	Au+Au	200	23.5	$14 \mathrm{~nb^{-1}}$	26 nb ⁻¹	$88 { m nb}^{-1}$	
	Year-4	<i>p</i> + <i>p</i>	200	23.5	_	149 pb ⁻¹	$783 { m pb}^{-1}$	
	Year-5	Au+Au	200	23.5	$14 \mathrm{nb}^{-1}$	48 nb^{-1}	$92 {\rm nb}^{-1}$	
			Polarize	Polarized Proton Beam				

If extended

Detector Location



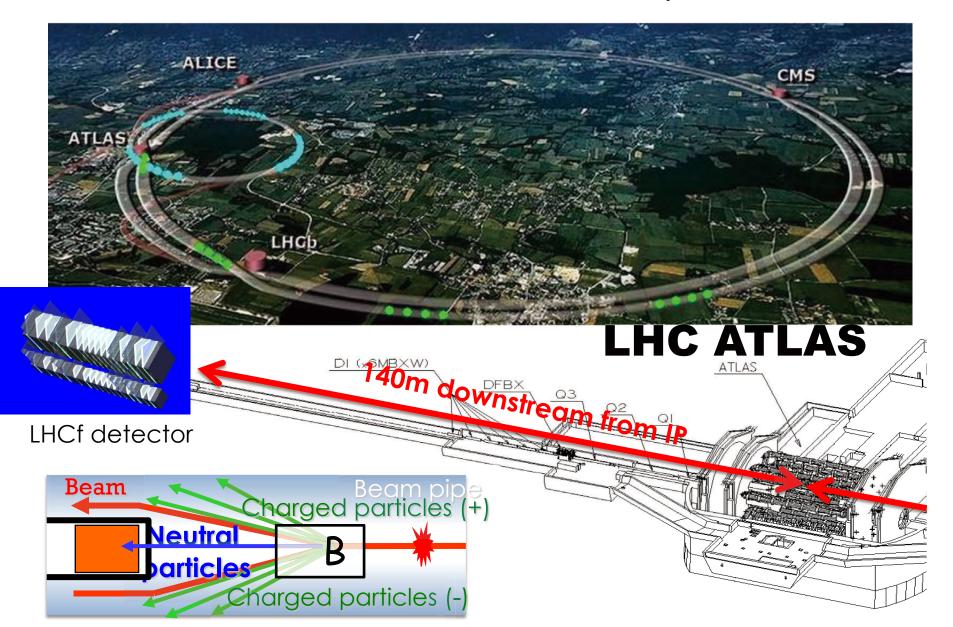
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Summary

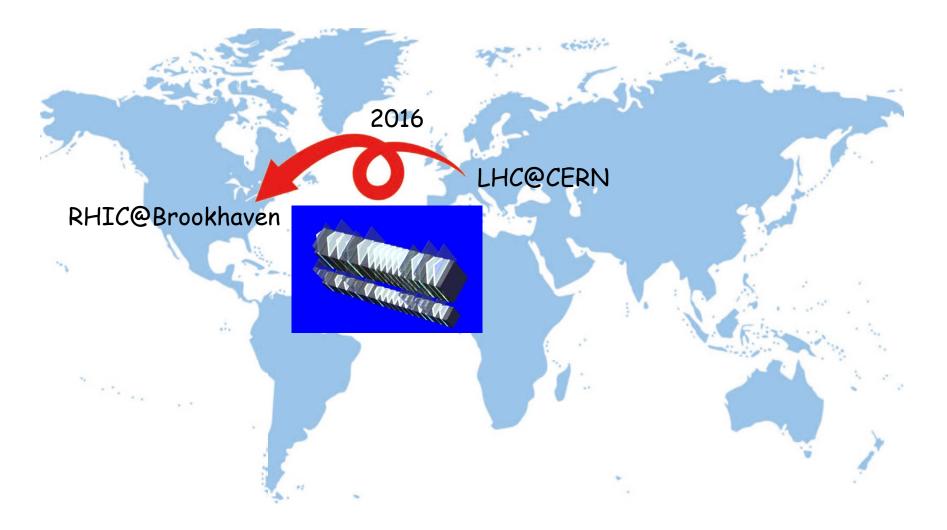
- Proton's spin sum rule has been examined
- Forward transverse single spin asymmetry has been considered to be sensitive to the orbital angular momentum.
- Forward π has been studied in pQCD framework, but recent data indicate possibility of soft process may be (partially) playing a role.
- Large observed asymmetry in RHICf indicates large asymmetry caused by diffractive mechanism.
- New experiment is necessary to interconnect asymmetries between hard (pQCD) and soft (diffractive) nature.

BACKUP

LHC forward (LHCf) Experiment

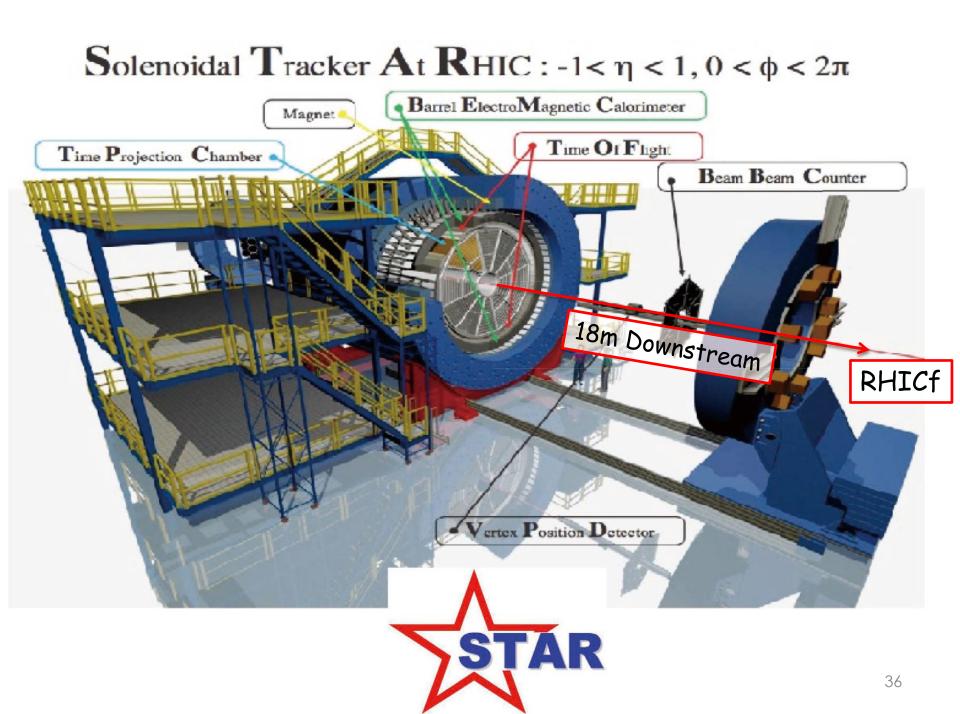


LHCf -> RHICf



RHICf Collaboration

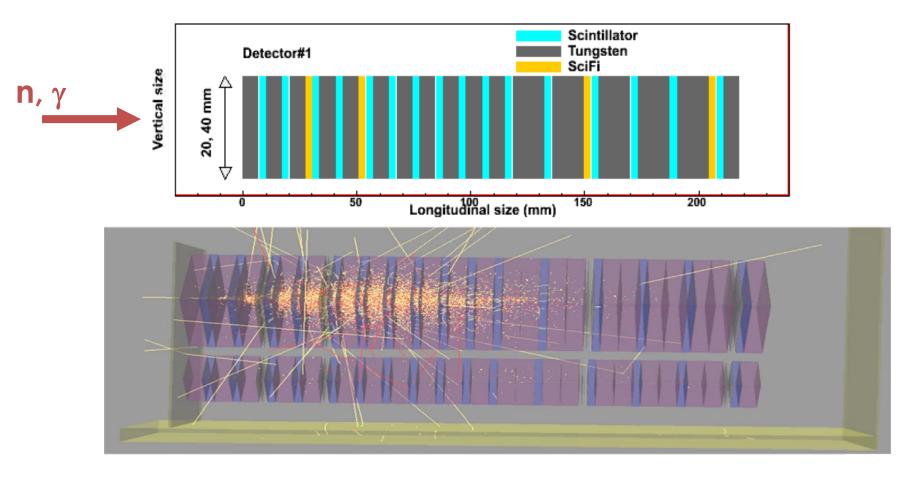




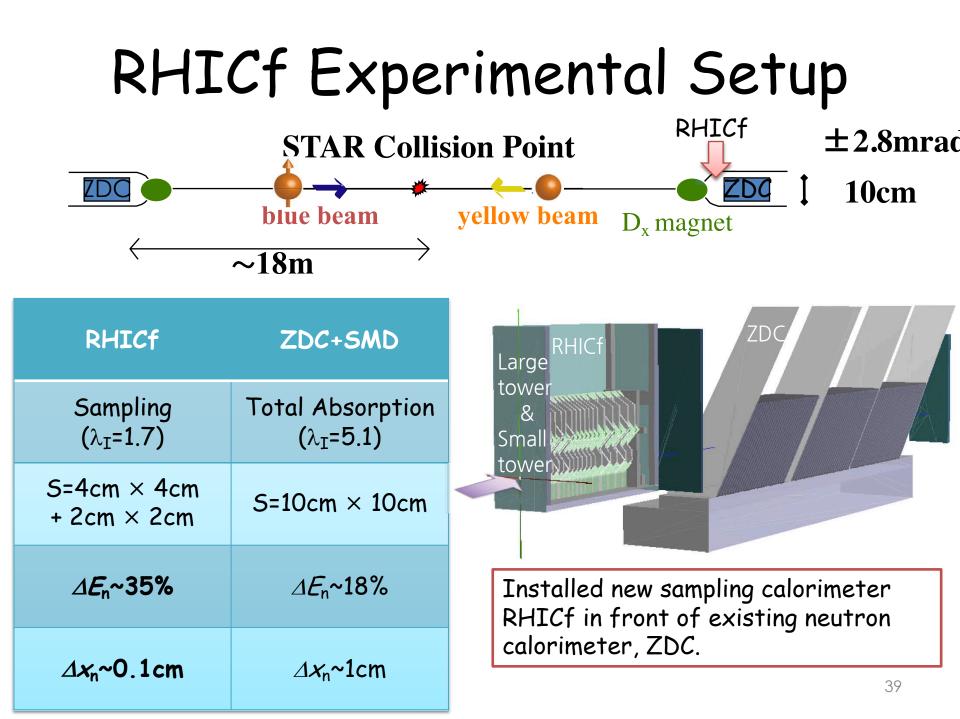




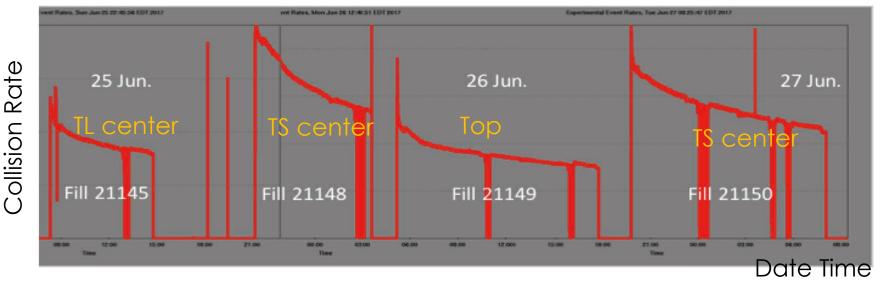
Sampling calorimeter

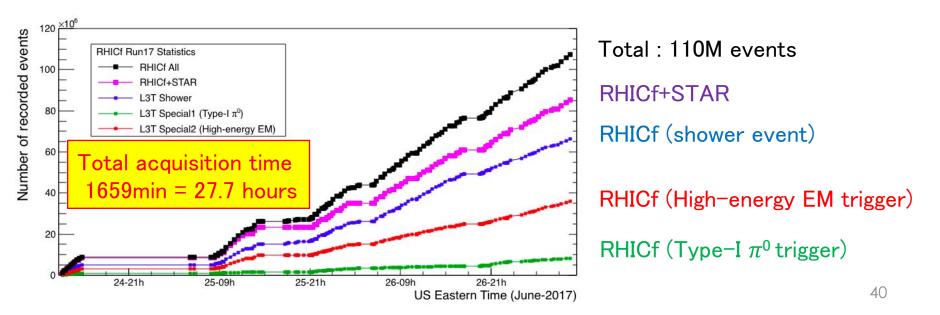


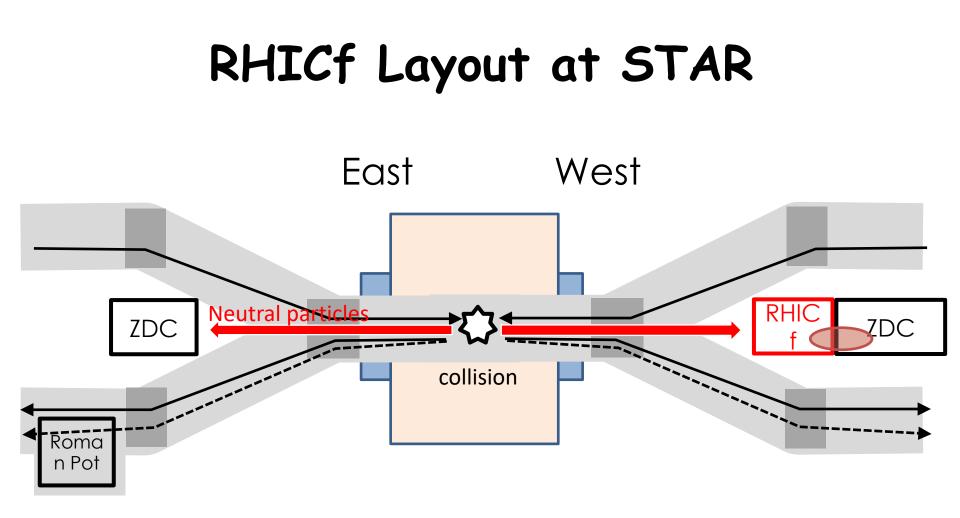
- Incident particles develop showers in Tungsten
- Deposited energy is sampled by scintillators interleaved (3% for EM showers)
- Four strip detector layers record lateral distribution of showers



RHICF Experiment : June 2017







- RHICf was installed in front of existing ZDC
- ZDC is only capable to measure neutron, not π^0
- RHICf+ZDC allows us simultaneous measurements of π^0 and neutron

Orbital Momentum & Diffractive π^0

