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Single transverse spin asymmetry of very forward neutral pion

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Introduction

Introduction

- Single transverse spin asymmetry(SSAs) is one of the interests in high energy reactions, but it has not been well understood yet.
- It is expected that the particle production mechanism in high energy is understood through the SSAs.
- Fermilab experiment reported a nonzero A_N for the first time in 1991 for the pion production [1].
- The SSAs for various **very**-forward productions(π, n, γ) found to be governed by **soft process** was measured in 2007 [2].
- The p_T and x_F dependence of A_N for very forward neutron with $\sqrt{s} = 62, 210$ and 500 GeV was also measured by PHENIX Collaboration [3].

SSAs :

$$A_N = \frac{d\sigma^{\uparrow} - d\sigma^{\downarrow}}{d\sigma^{\uparrow} + d\sigma^{\downarrow}}$$

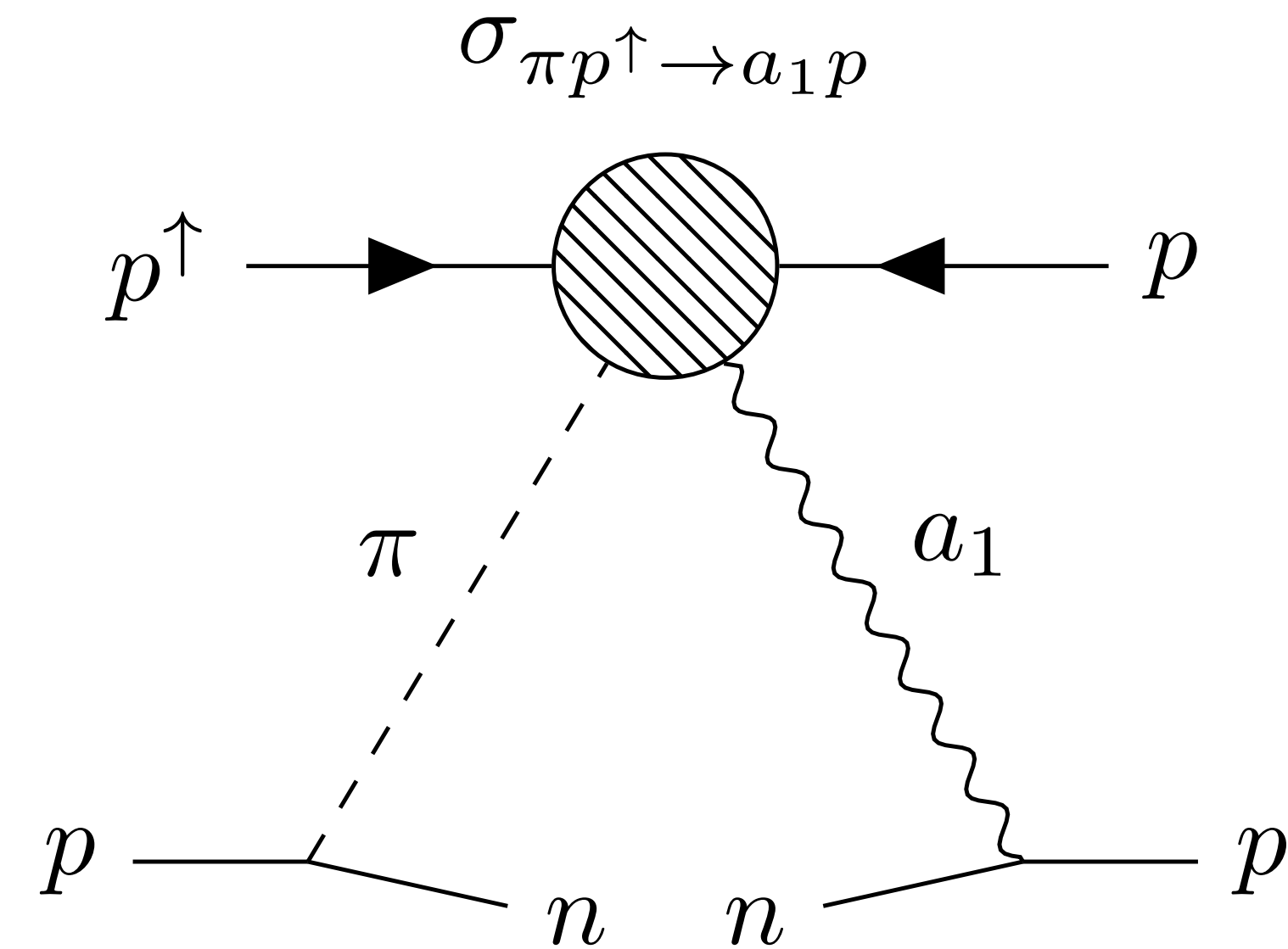
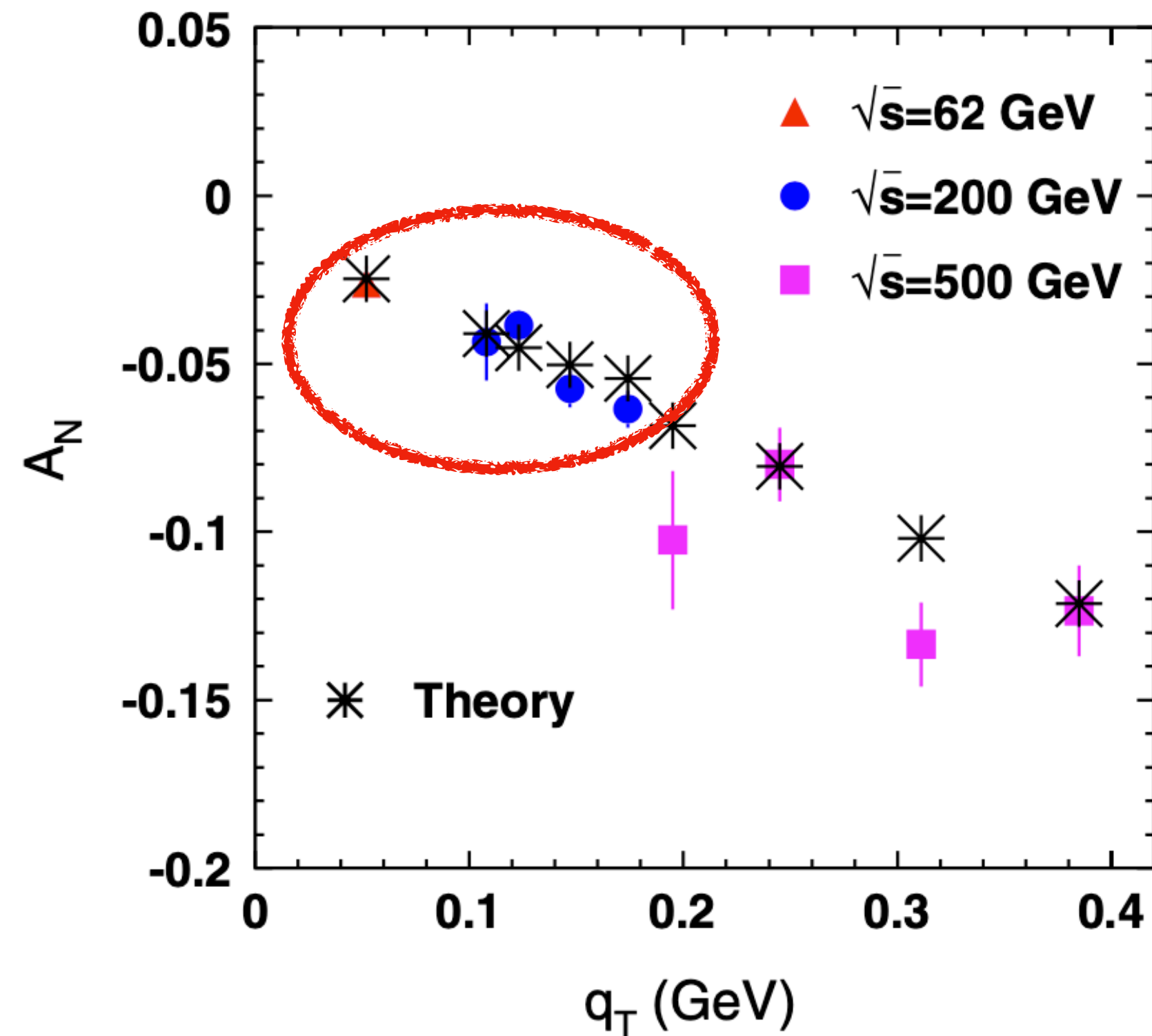
Spin direction of the polarized proton beam

[1] D.L. Adams *et al.*, Phys. Lett. B264 (1991) 3,4

[2] Y. Fukao *et al.*, Phys. Lett. B650 (2007) 325

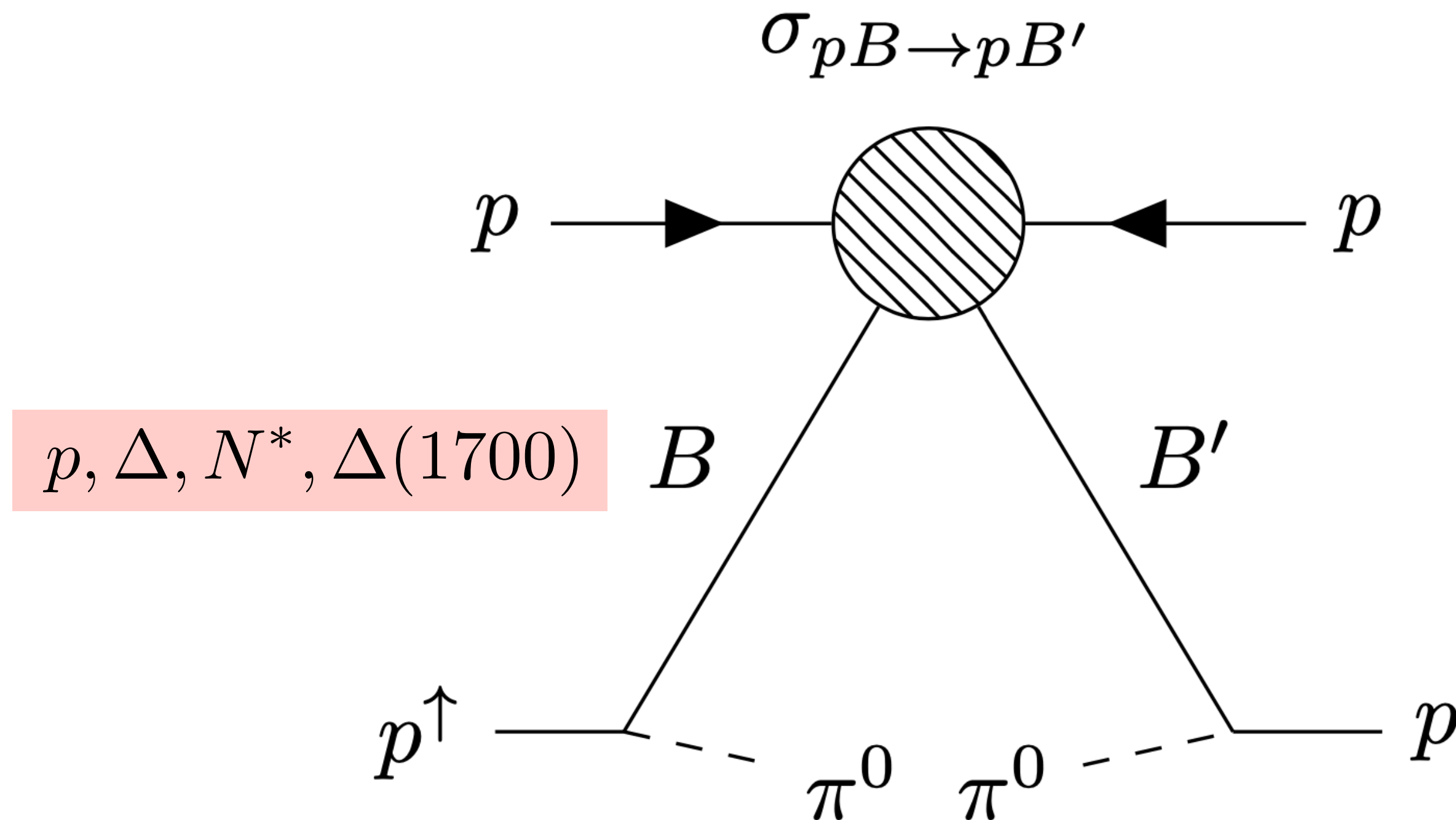
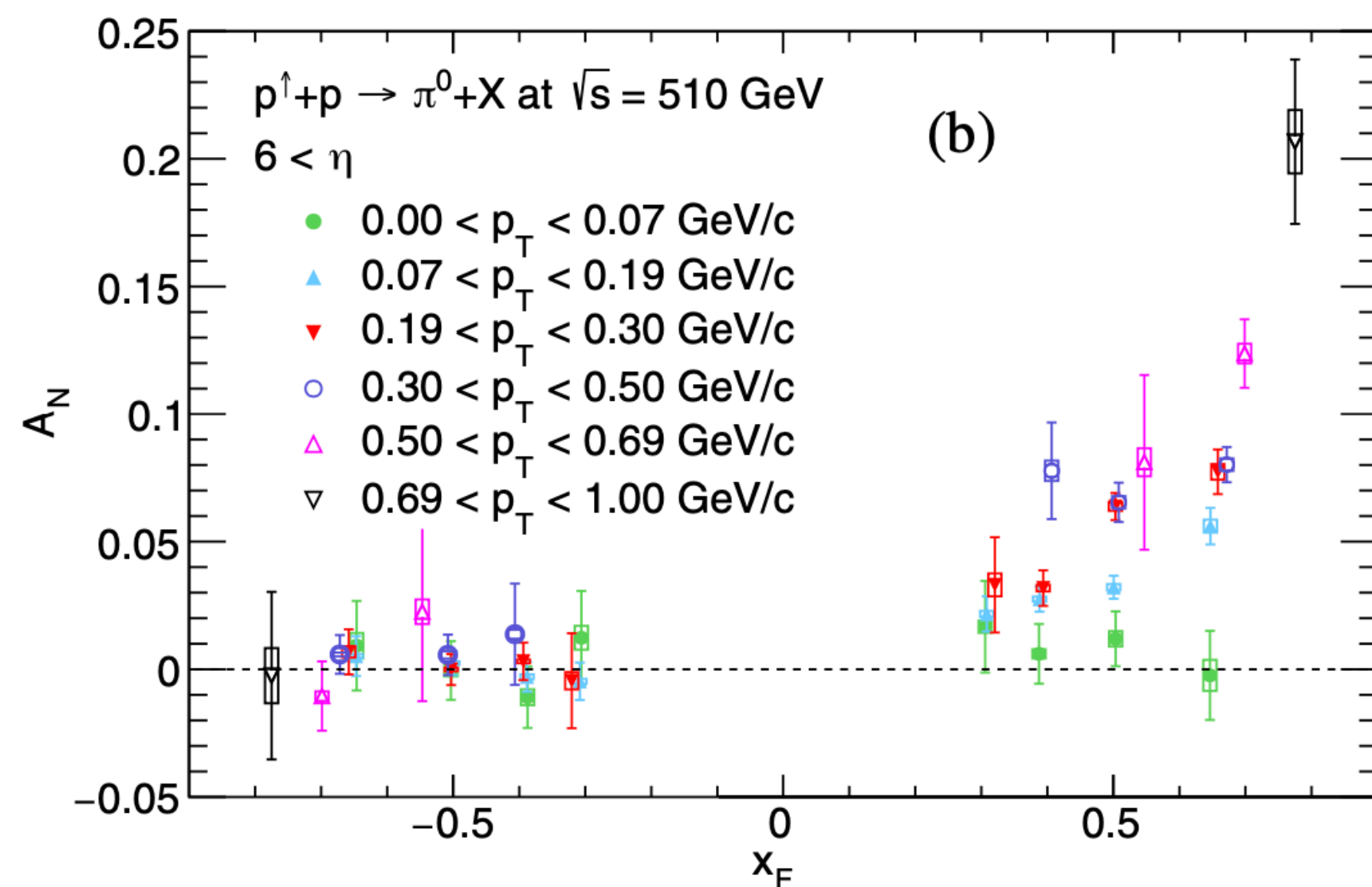
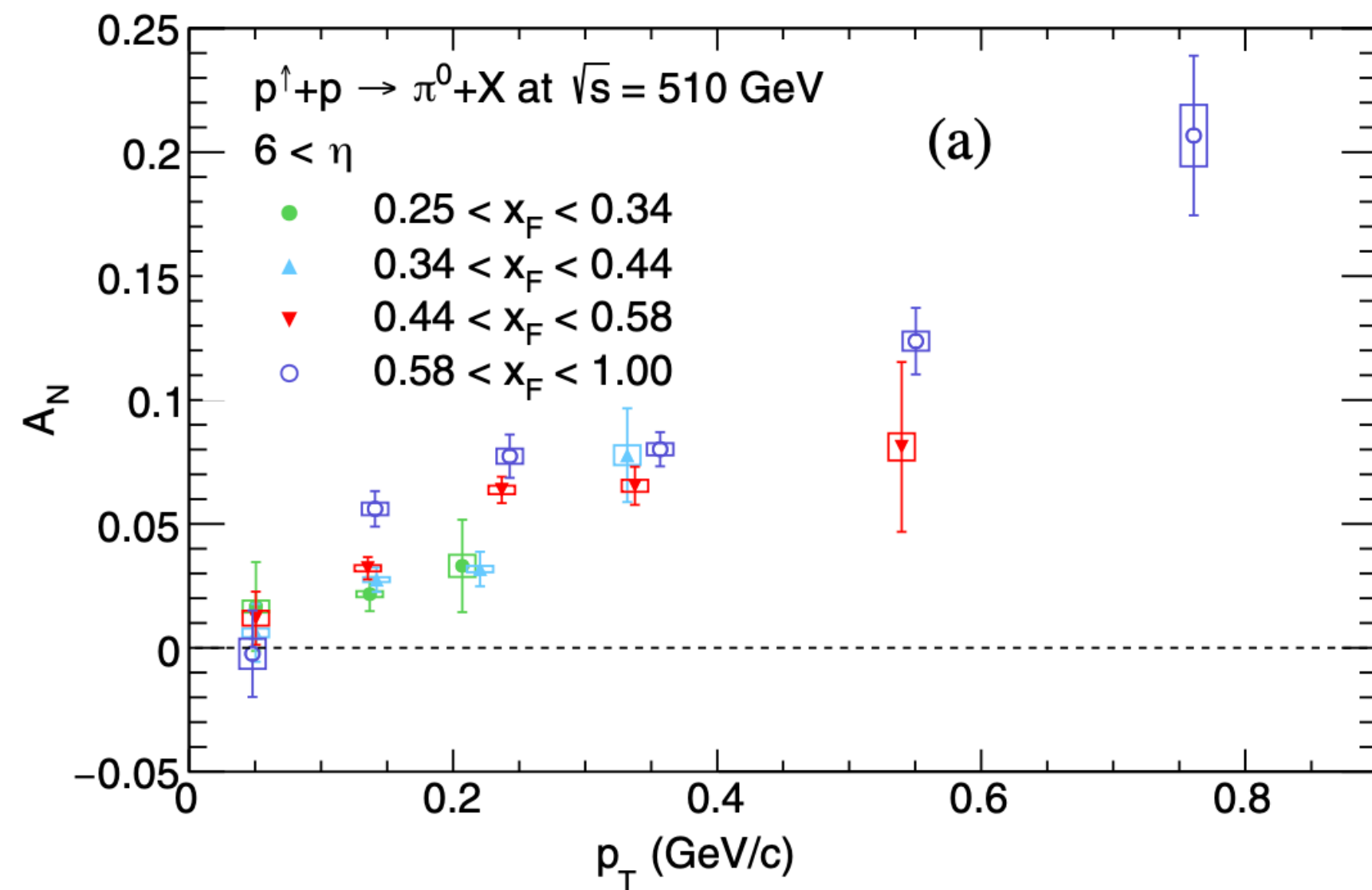
[3] K. Tanida *et al.*(PHENIX Collaboration), J.Phys.Conf.Ser.295(2011)

- A theoretical approach to the SSAs for the very forward neutron production was successfully achieved by OBE exchange based on Regge theory [4].



- The contribution of the π - a_1 interference for A_N matches the experiment results very well.

- Recently the SSAs of very forward neutral pion was measured in RHICf experiment [5].

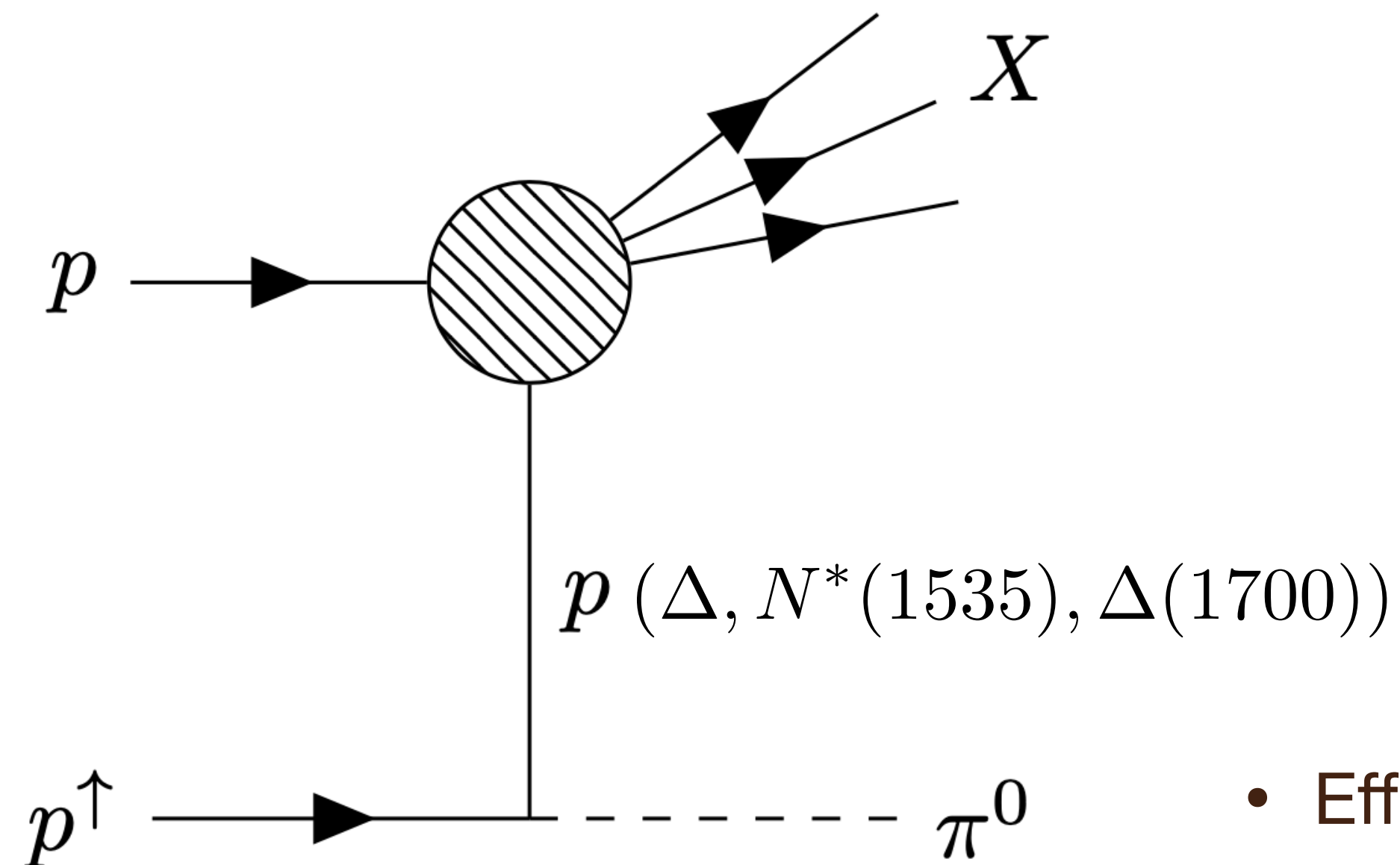


- We take into account four Reggeons in the calculation of the SSAs by using interferences between them.
- The cross section for $pB \rightarrow pB'$ will be used as fitting parameters.

Born amplitudes

Born diagrams

- Born diagram for the $p + p^\uparrow \rightarrow \pi^0 + X$:



- Effective Lagrangians:

$$\mathcal{L}_{NN\pi} = -g_{\pi NN} \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \partial^\mu \boldsymbol{\pi} \psi,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{N\Delta\pi} = -g_{\pi N\Delta} \bar{\psi}_\Delta^\mu (g_{\mu\nu} + a\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu) \mathbf{T} \cdot \partial^\nu \boldsymbol{\pi} \psi,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{NN^*\pi} = -g_{NN^*\pi} \bar{\psi}_{N^*} \gamma_\mu \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \partial^\mu \boldsymbol{\pi} \psi,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{N\Delta^*\pi} = ig_{\pi N\Delta^*} \bar{\psi}_{\Delta^*}^\mu (g_{\mu\nu} + a\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu) \gamma_5 \mathbf{T} \cdot \partial^\nu \boldsymbol{\pi} \psi.$$

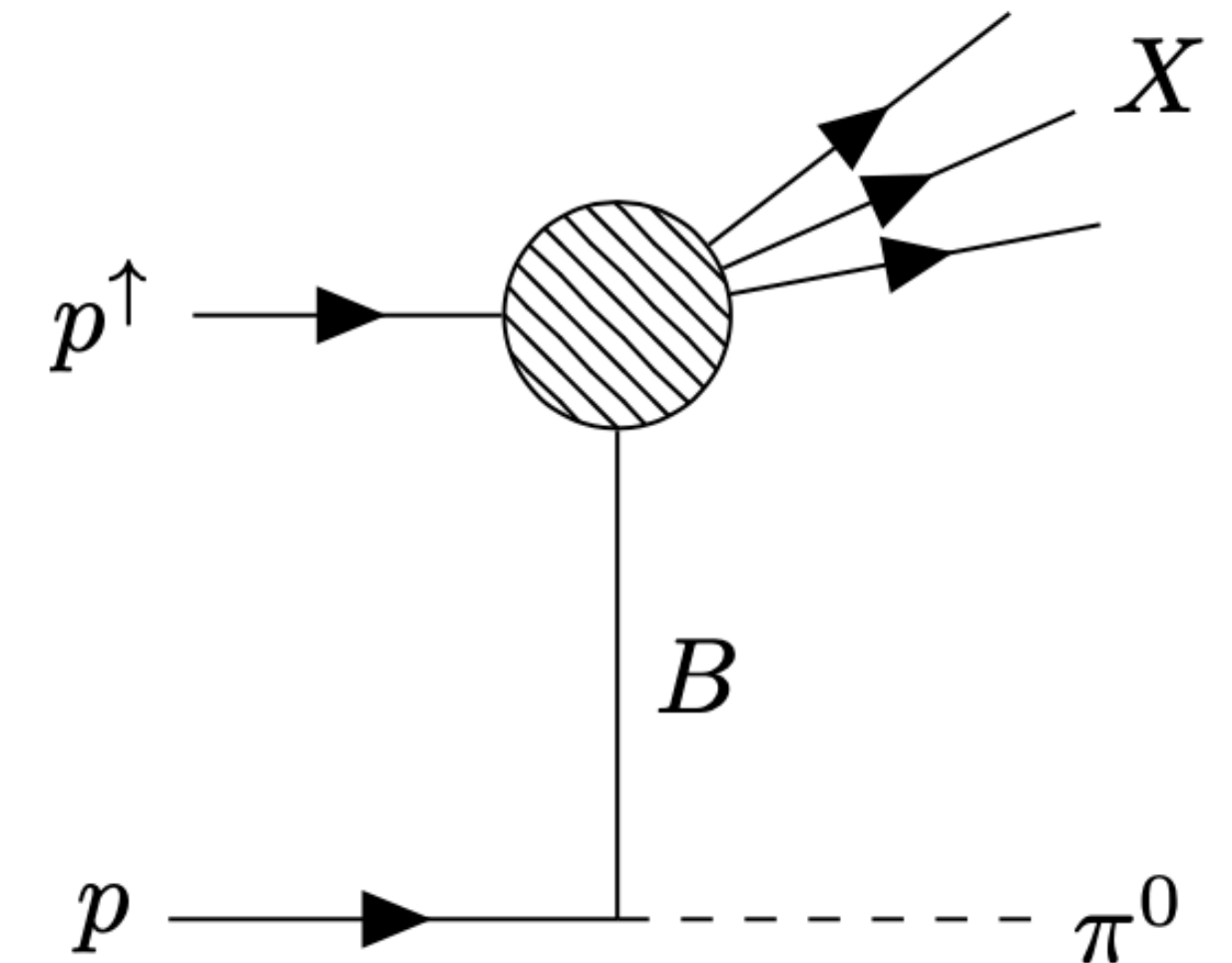
Born amplitudes

$$A_{p \rightarrow \pi^0}^N(s, s') = g_{NN\pi} \bar{u}_N(s', q) \not{k} \gamma_5 u_p(s, p) \phi_N(p_T, x_F),$$

$$A_{p \rightarrow \pi^0}^\Delta(s, s') = g_{N\Delta\pi} \bar{u}_\Delta^\mu(s', q) (k_\mu + a \gamma_\mu \not{k}) u_p(s, p) \phi_\Delta(p_T, x_F),$$

$$A_{p \rightarrow \pi^0}^{N^*}(s, s') = g_{NN^*\pi} \bar{u}_{N^*}(s', q) \not{k} u_p(s, p) \phi_{N^*}(p_T, x_F),$$

$$A_{p \rightarrow \pi^0}^{\Delta'}(s, s') = -i g_{N\Delta'\pi} \bar{u}_\Delta^\mu(s', q) (k_\mu + a \gamma_\mu \not{k}) \gamma_5 u_p(s, p) \phi_{\Delta'}(p_T, x_F),$$



(Reggeized) Baryon amplitude :

$$\phi_B = \frac{\alpha'_B}{2} (1 \pm \exp\{-i\pi(\alpha_B(t) - J_B)\}) \Gamma(J_B - \alpha_B(t)) (1 - x_F)^{-\alpha_B(t) + J_B} A_{pB \rightarrow X} \quad [6]$$

Regge trajectories

$$\alpha_p(t) = -0.384 + 0.996t$$

$$\alpha_\Delta(t) = 0.157 + 0.892t$$

$$\alpha_{N^*}(t) = -1.763 + 0.967t$$

$$\alpha_{\Delta'}(t) = -1.50 + 1.05t$$

provides the correct Regge poles.

$$\frac{s}{M_X^2} \approx (1 - x_F)^{-1}$$

Single transverse spin asymmetry

Single transverse spin asymmetry(SSAs)

- SSAs

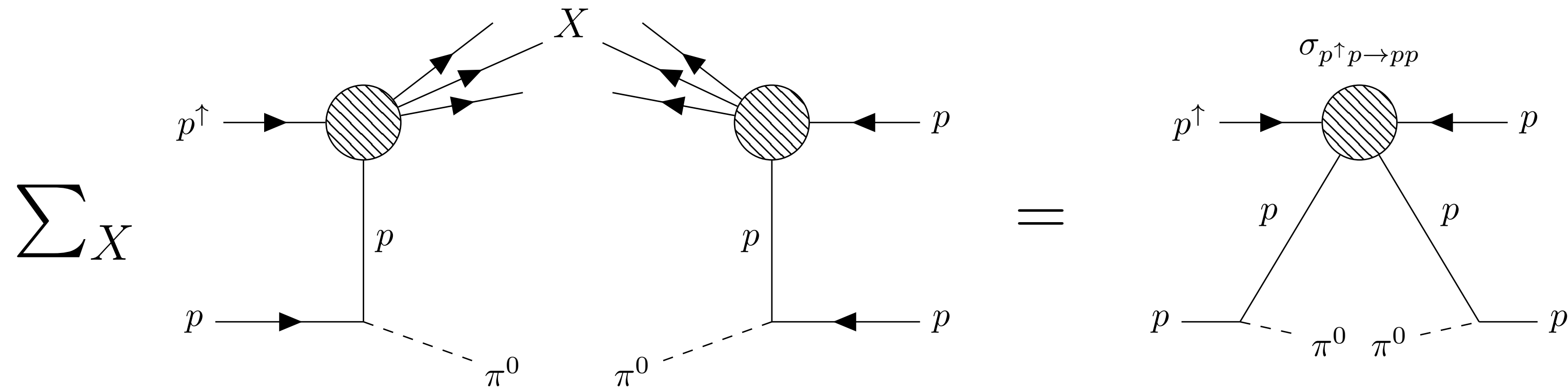
$$A_N = \frac{i(A_{p \rightarrow \pi^0}^{+*} A_{p \rightarrow \pi^0}^- - A_{p \rightarrow \pi^0}^{-*} A_{p \rightarrow \pi^0}^+)}{|A_{p \rightarrow \pi^0}^+|^2 + |A_{p \rightarrow \pi^0}^-|^2}$$

- In order to avoid producing nonzero A_N at $p_T=0$, we exclude the interference between **natural** and **unnatural** parity states.

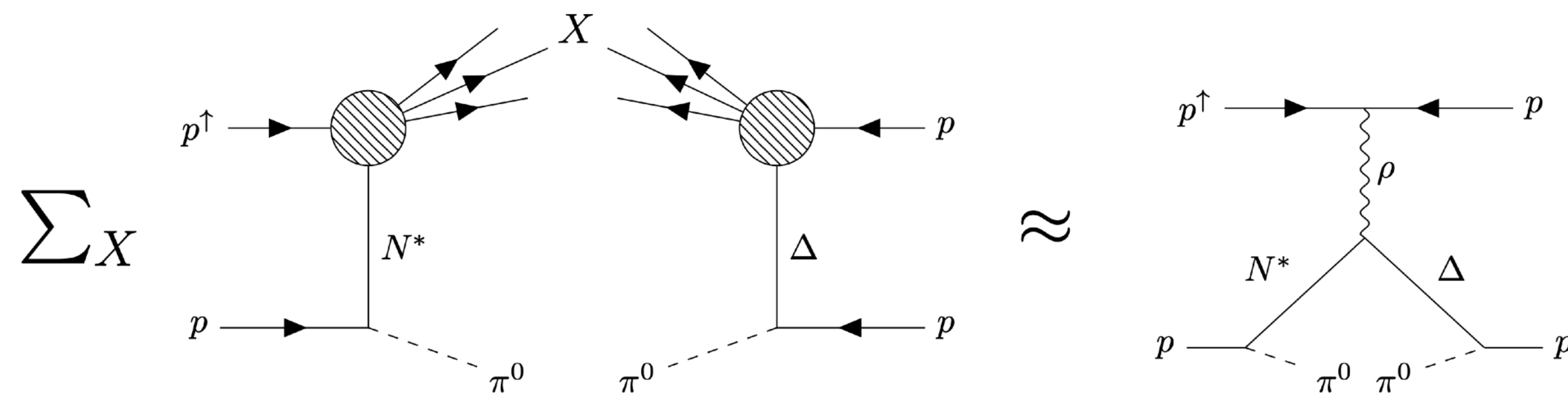
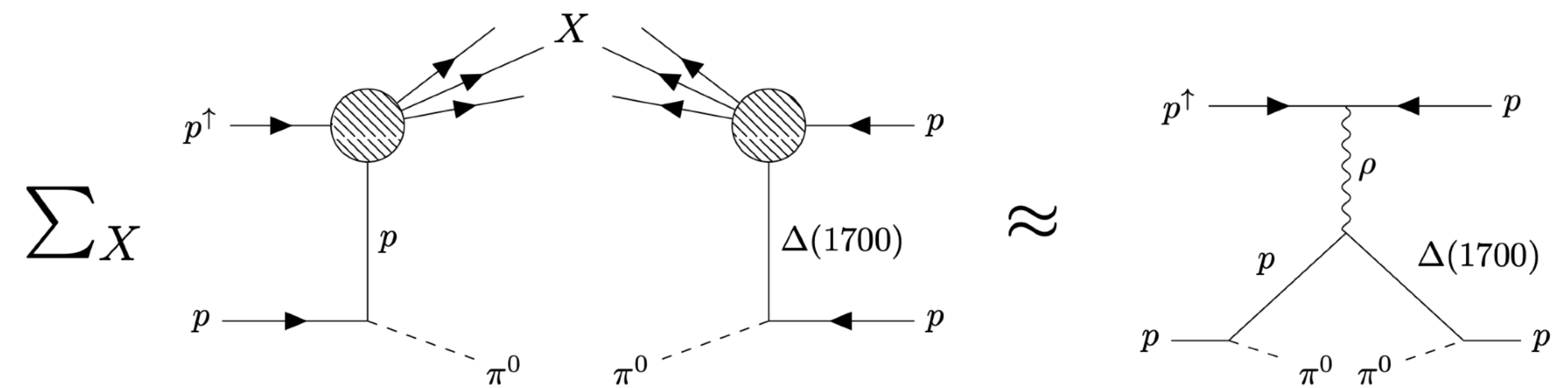
$$\text{Natural} = \{p, \Delta(1700)\}, \quad \text{Unnatural} = \{N^*(1535), \Delta(1232)\}$$

- The inclusive part of the interference terms can be approximated as the triple-Regge process.
- The inclusive part of the denominator is normalized in terms of the $pp \rightarrow pp$ differential cross section.

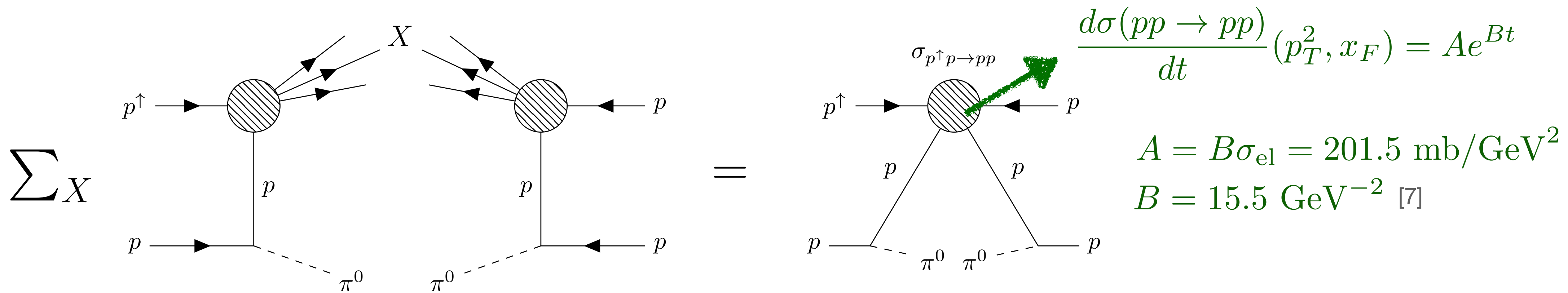
Normalization of the $pp \rightarrow X$ amplitude :
$$\sum_X |A_{pp \rightarrow X}(M_X^2)|^2 \approx 4\sqrt{\pi} M_X^2 \sqrt{\frac{d\sigma(pp \rightarrow pp)}{dt}}$$



Triple-Regge diagrams :

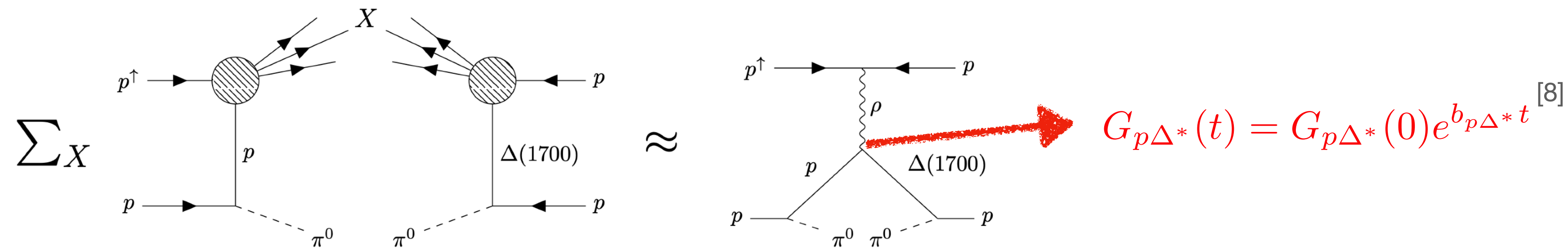


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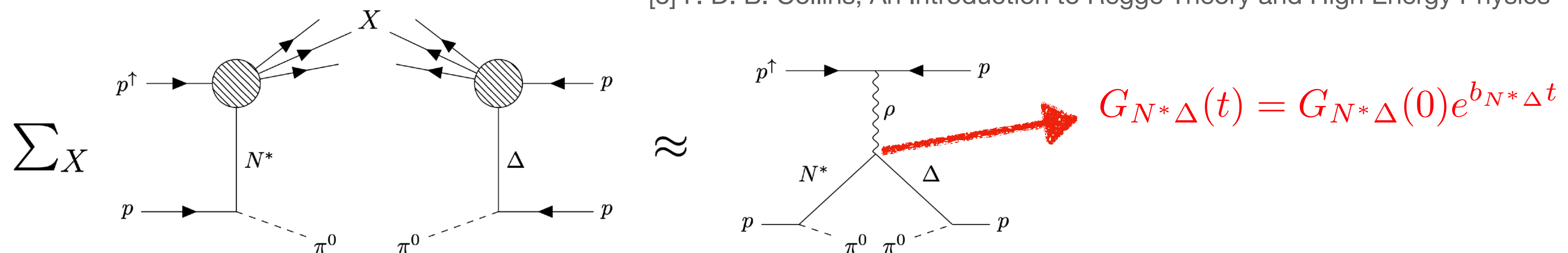


[7] T. Csörgő (TOTEM Collab.) EPJ Web Conf. 205 (2019) 06004

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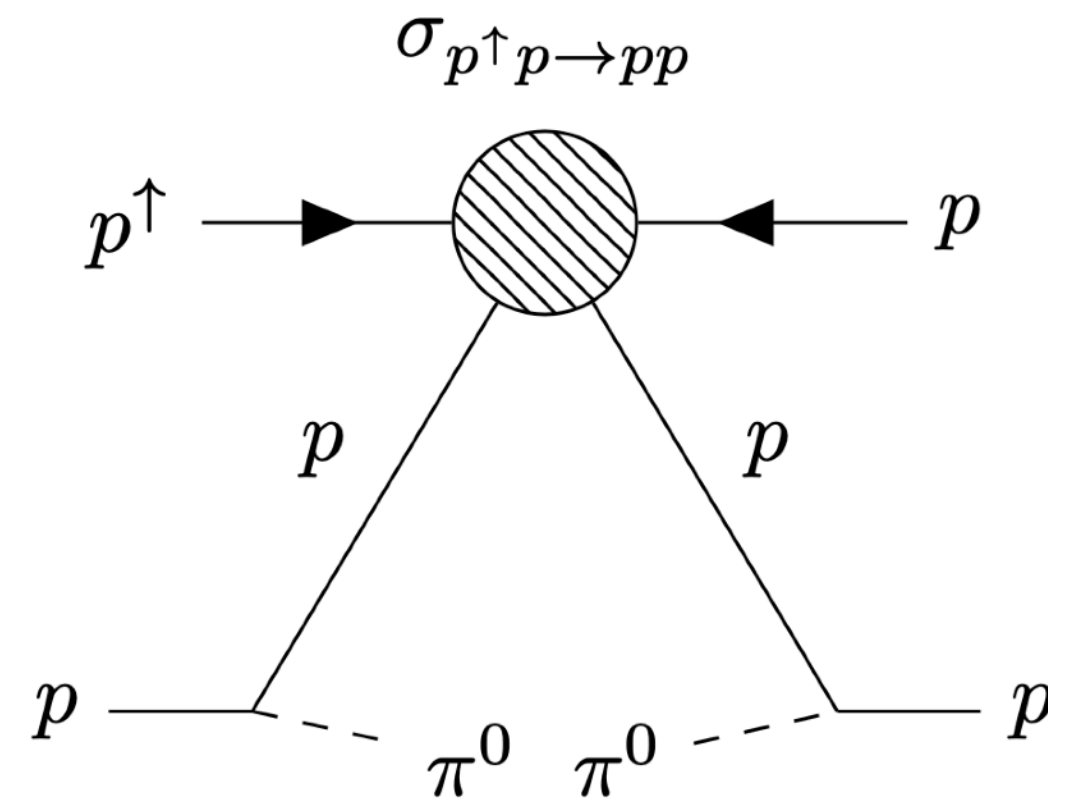


[8] P. D. B. Collins, An Introduction to Regge Theory and High Energy Physics



- Diagrammatic representation of the SSAs for the pion production

$$A_N = -2\text{Im} \left(\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} p^\uparrow \longrightarrow \longleftarrow p \\ \text{wavy } \rho \\ \begin{array}{c} p \quad \Delta(1700) \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ p \quad p \\ \text{---} \quad \text{---} \\ \pi^0 \quad \pi^0 \end{array} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} p^\uparrow \longrightarrow \longleftarrow p \\ \text{wavy } \rho \\ \begin{array}{c} p \quad N^* \quad \Delta \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ p \quad p \\ \text{---} \quad \text{---} \\ \pi^0 \quad \pi^0 \end{array} \end{array} + \text{cross terms} \end{array} \right)$$



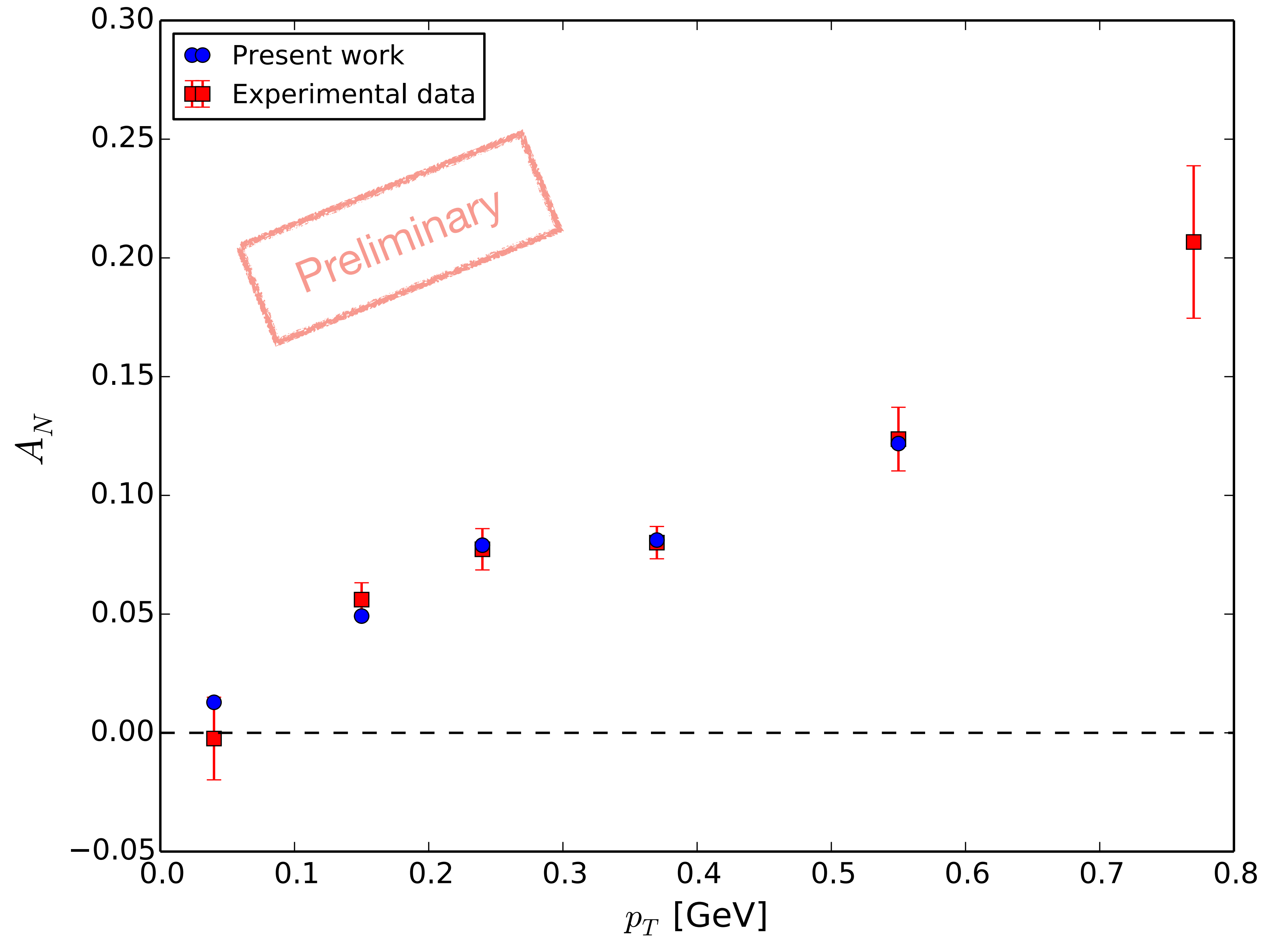
Results

SSAs vs p_T

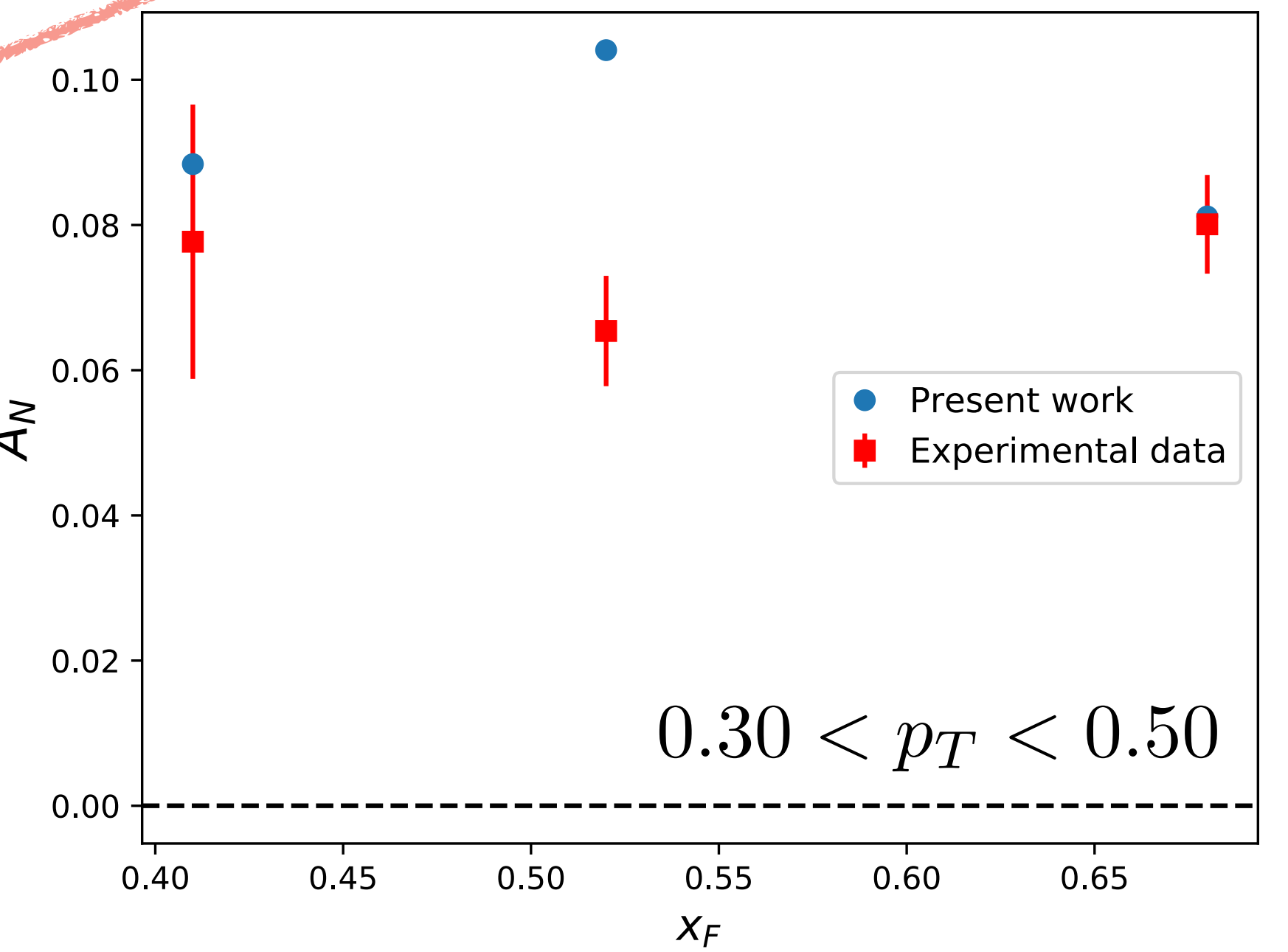
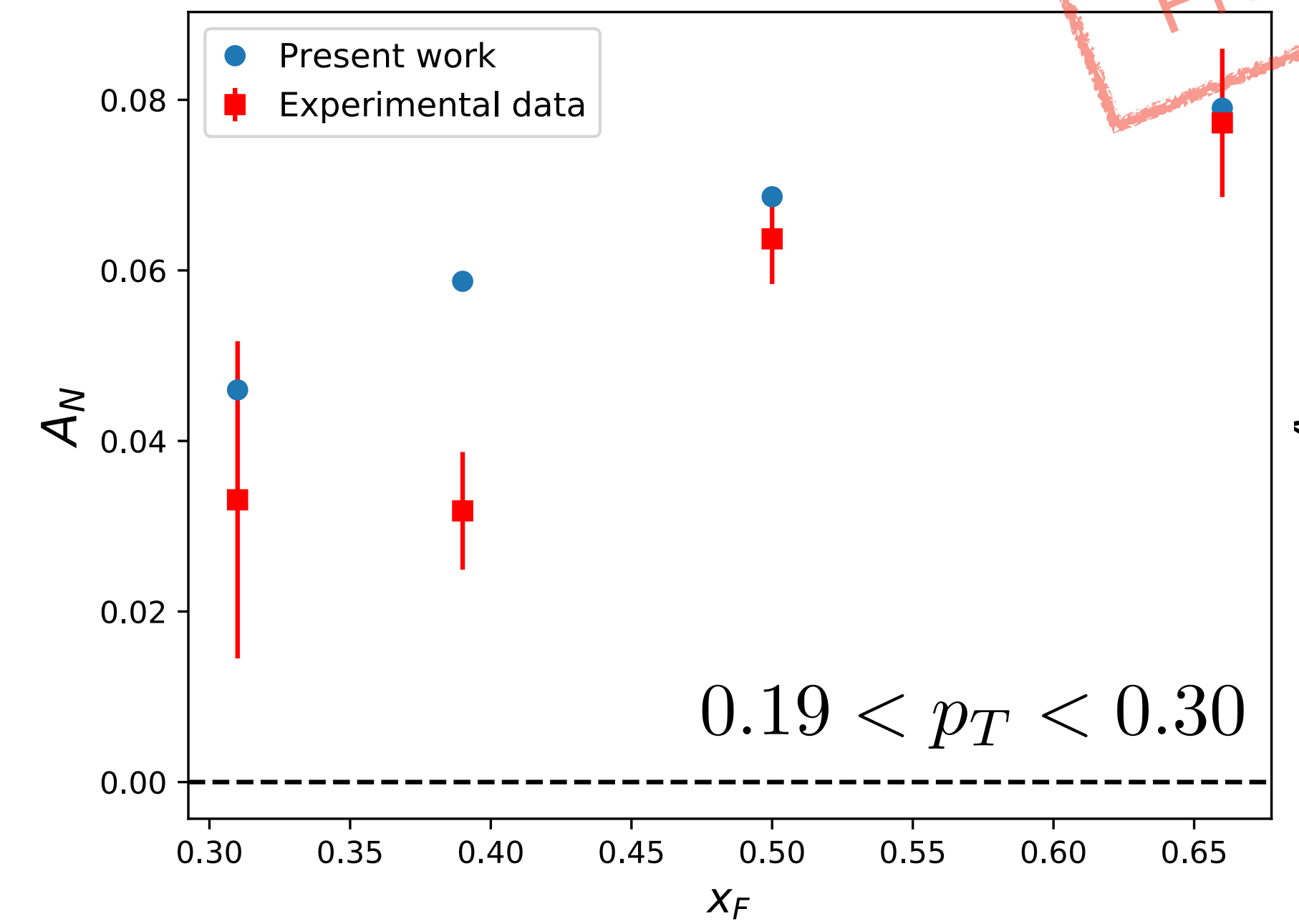
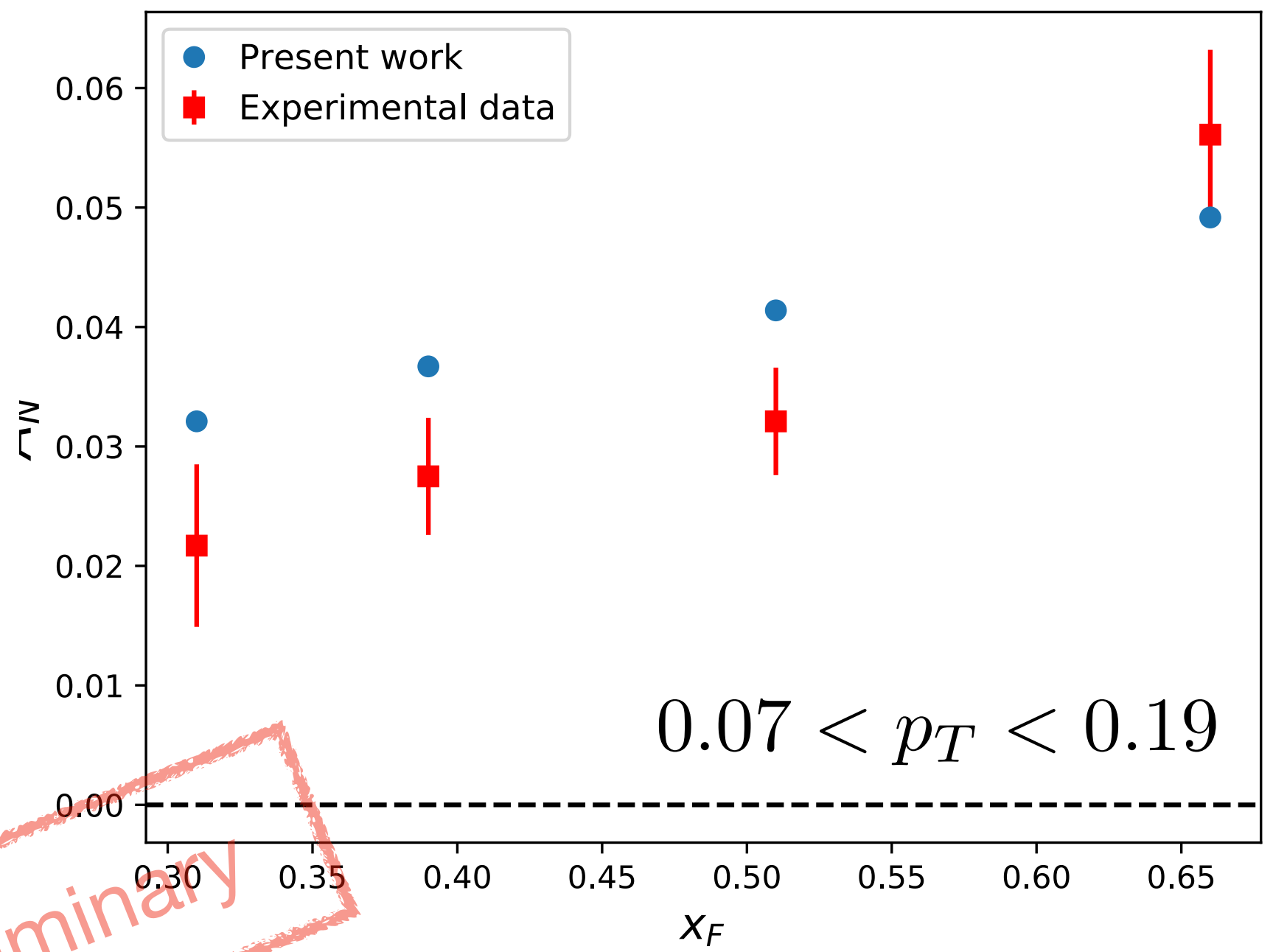
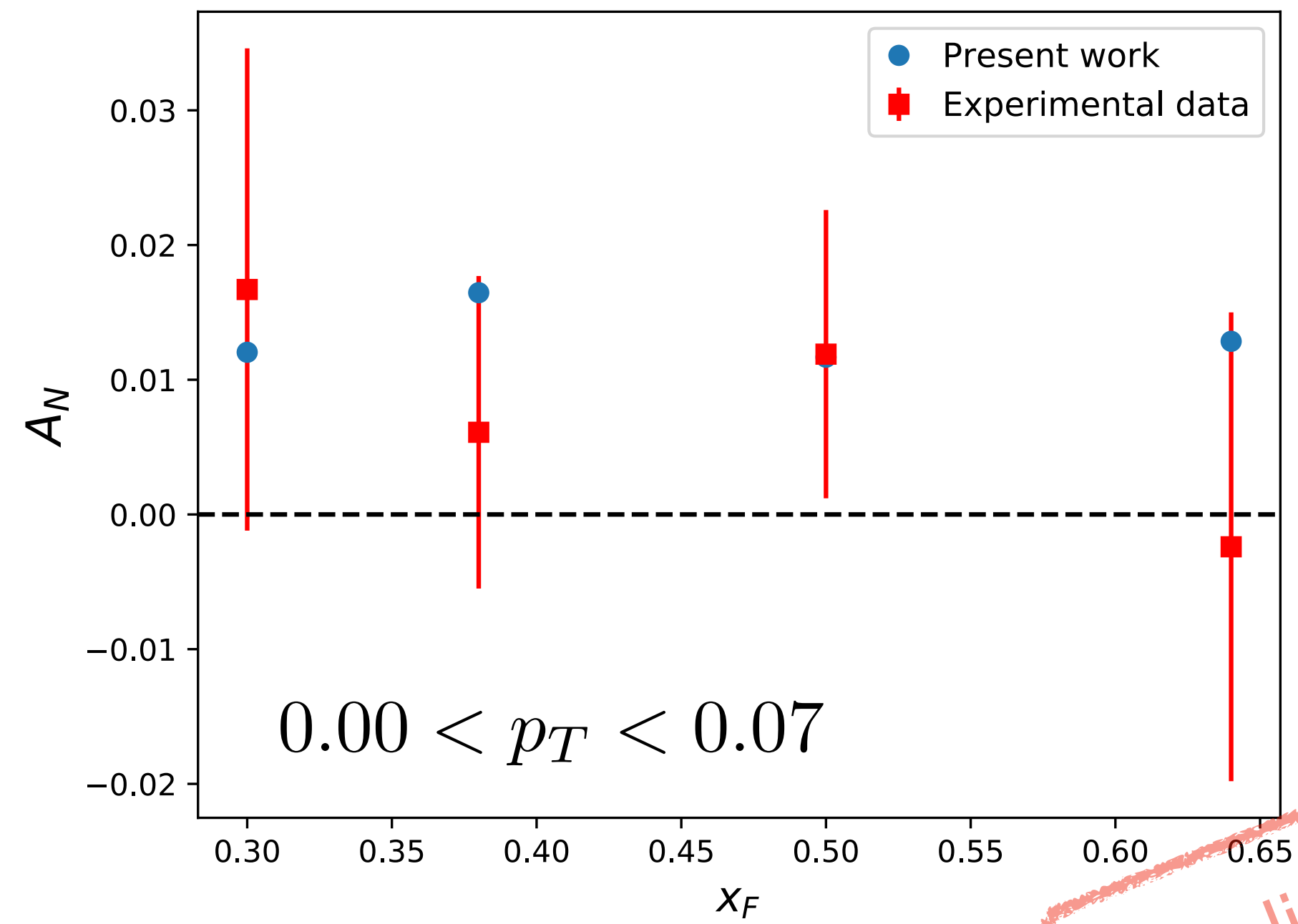
$$G_{p\Delta^*}(0) = G_{N^*\Delta}(0) = 1 \text{ mb}$$

$$b_{p\Delta^*}(0) = 5.5 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$b_{N^*\Delta}(0) = 5.7 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$



SSAs vs X_F



Preliminary

Summary

Summary

- We investigated the SSAs for forward neutral pion through the Reggeon exchange processes.
- The interference between Reggeon exchanges are approximated as the triple-Regge processes.
- The pp differential cross section and the triple-Regge couplings are parametrized due to the lack of experimental data.
- Our results match the RHICf data of both transverse momentum and x_F distribution quite well.
- The spin asymmetry can be explained by Regge exchange processes.
- We will improve the transverse momentum distribution by adopting other processes in the denominator.

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