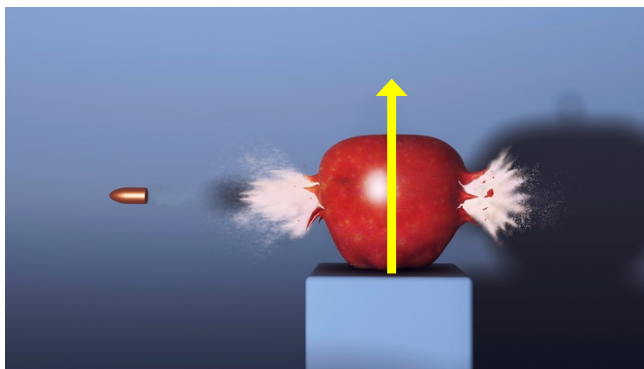


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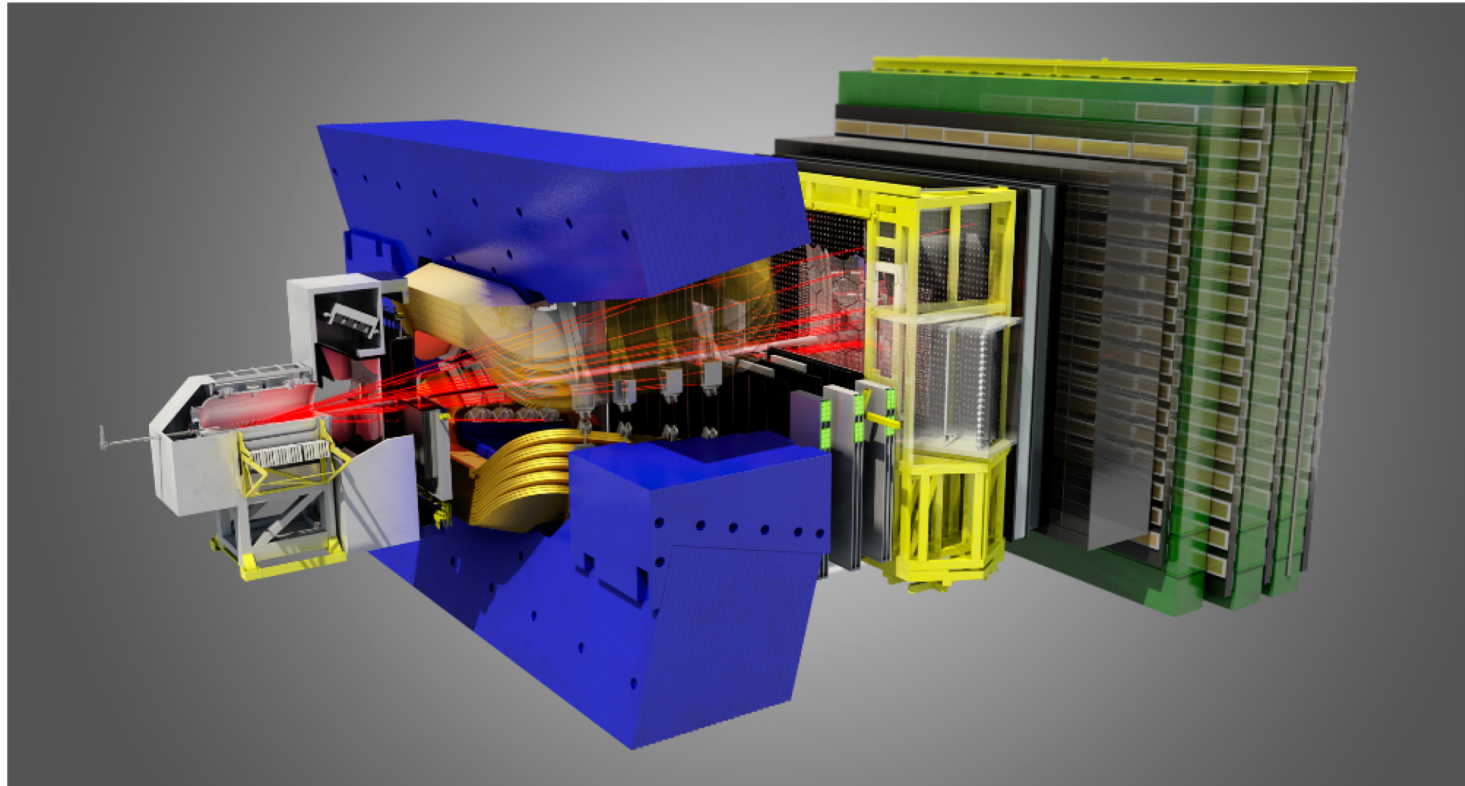
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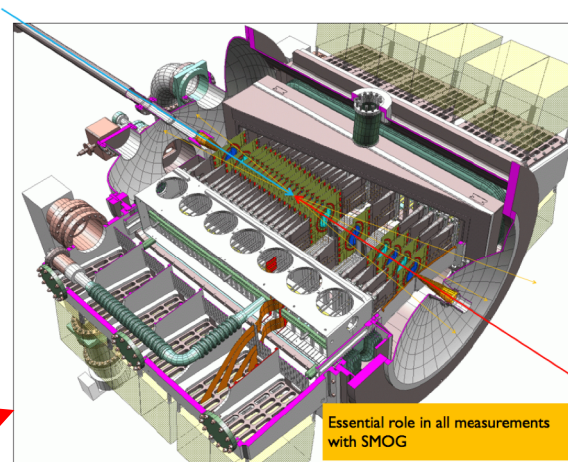
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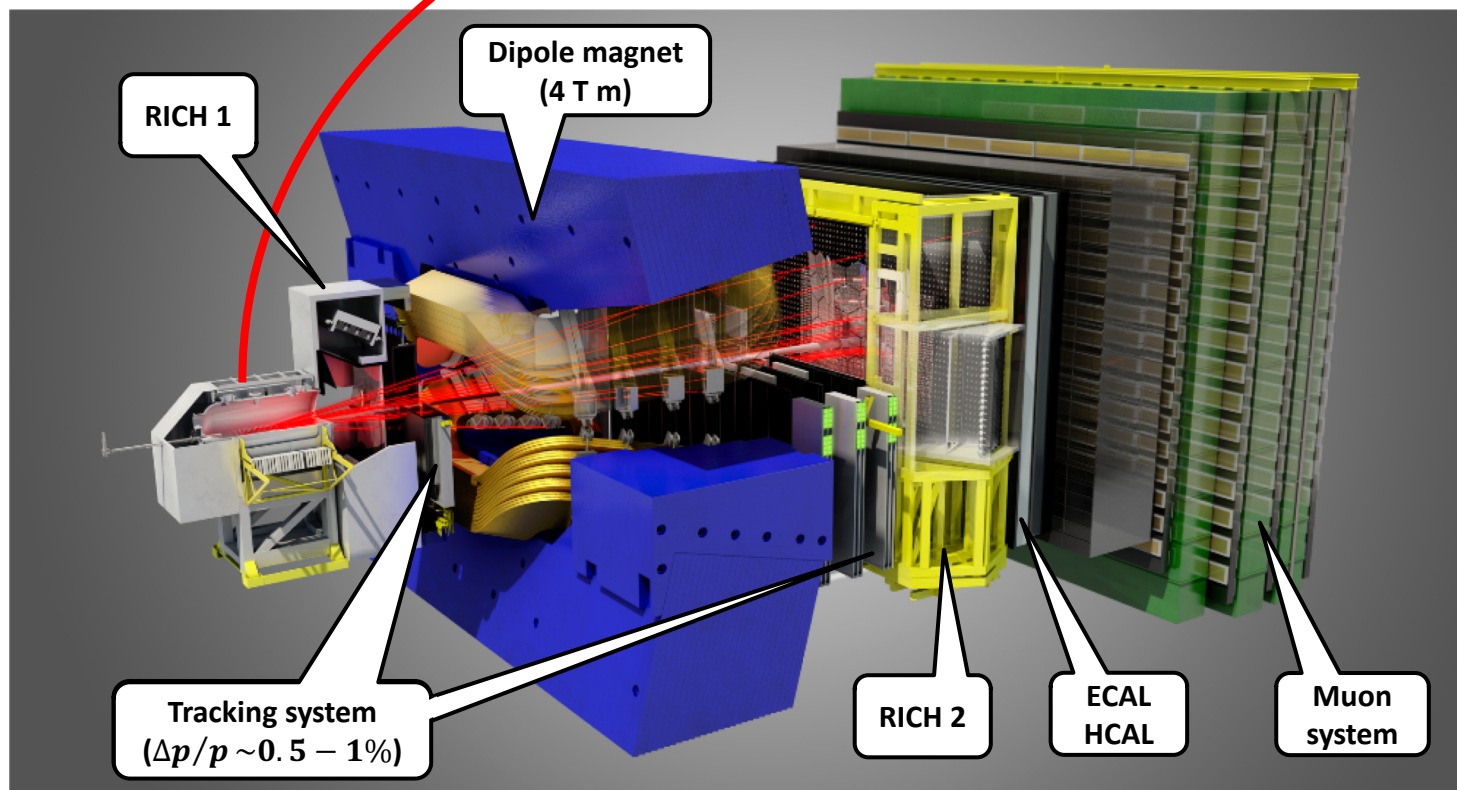
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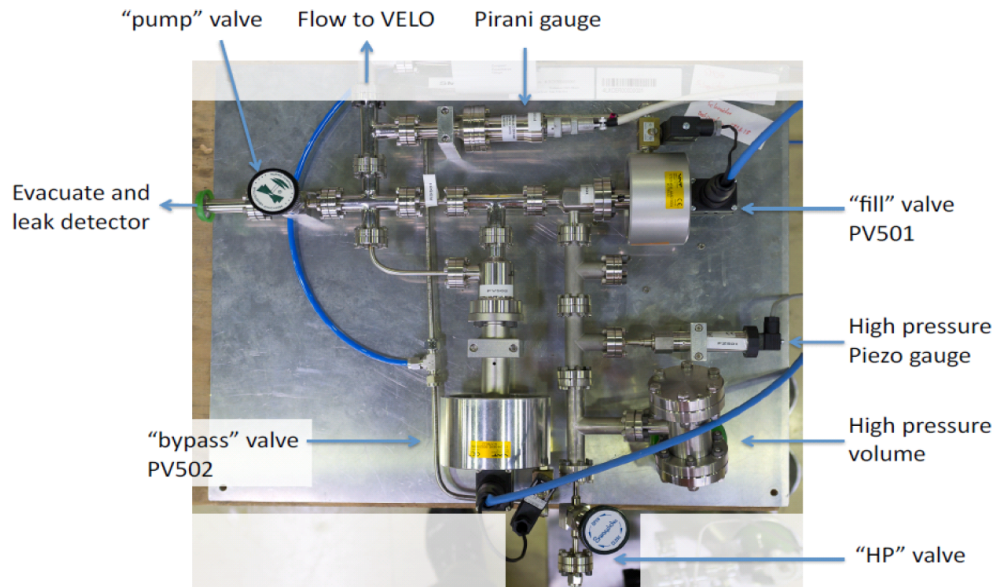
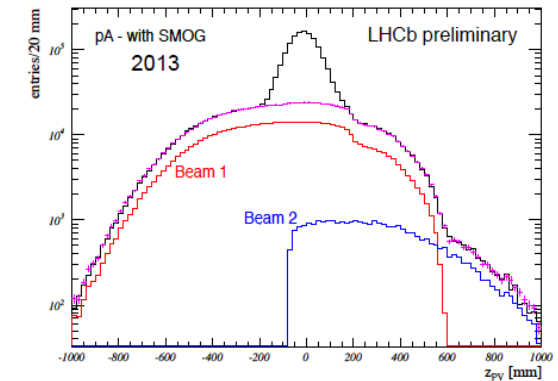
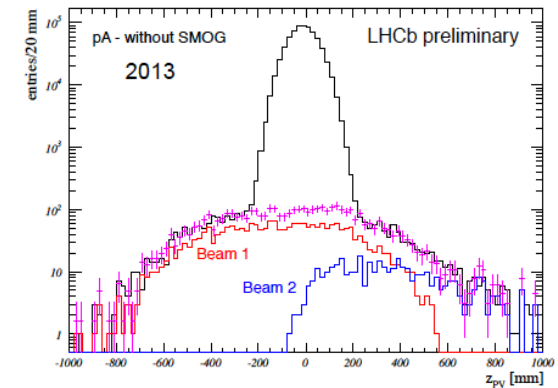


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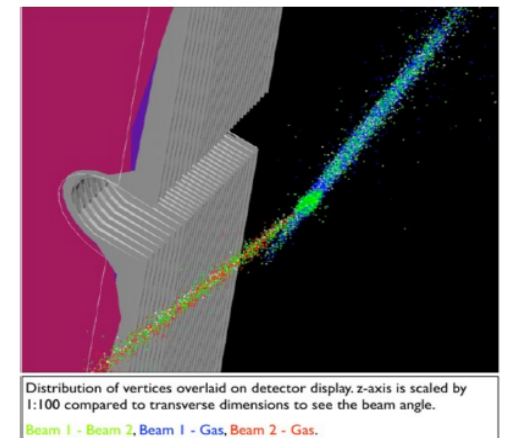
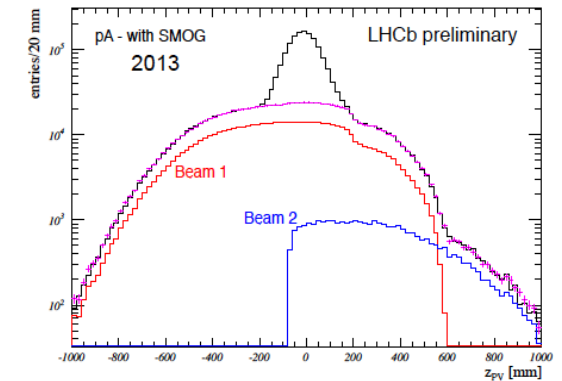
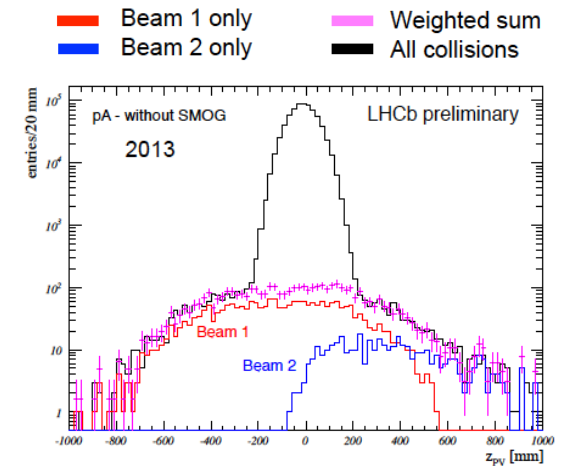
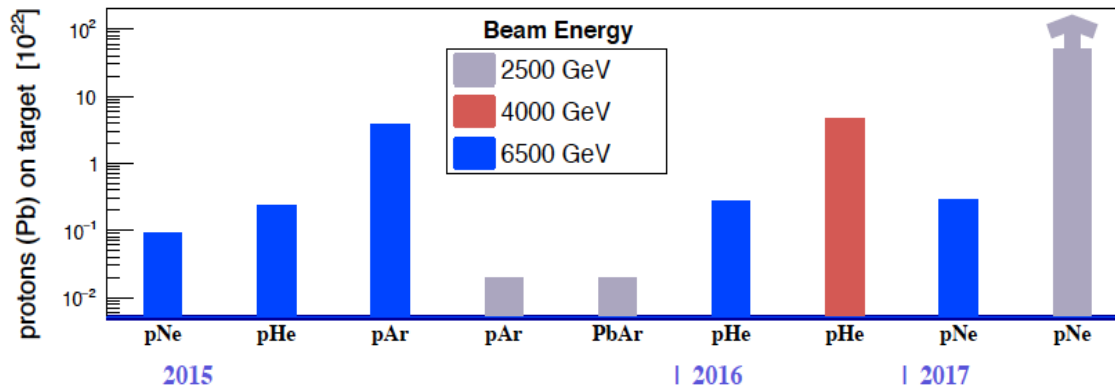
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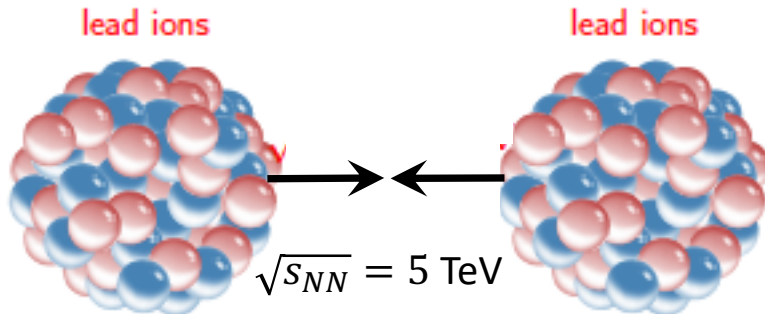
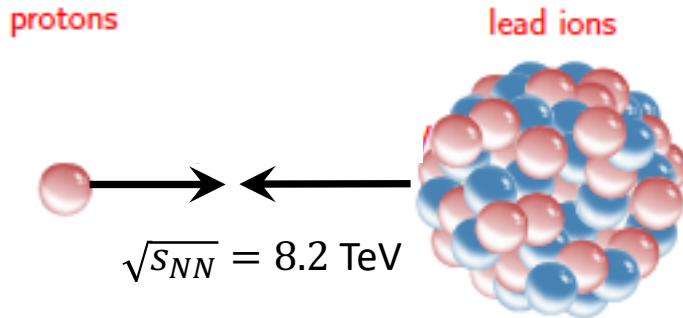
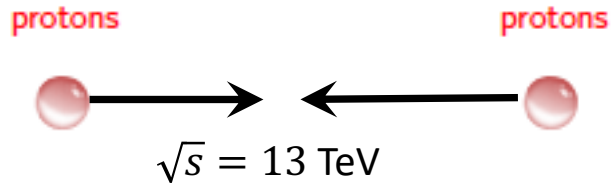
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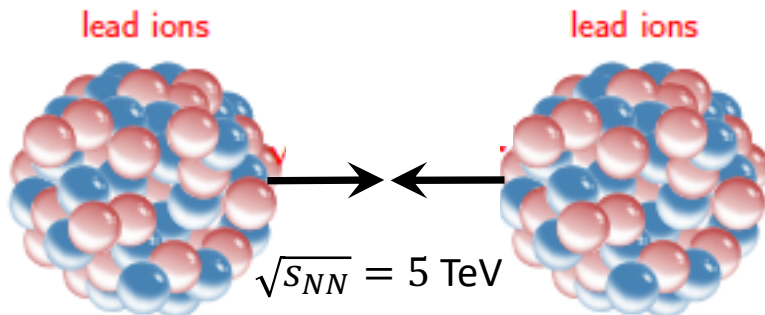
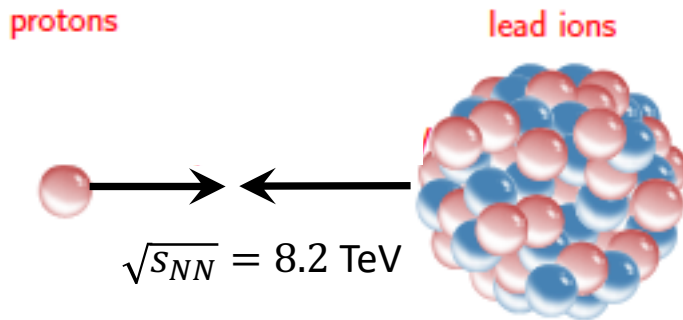
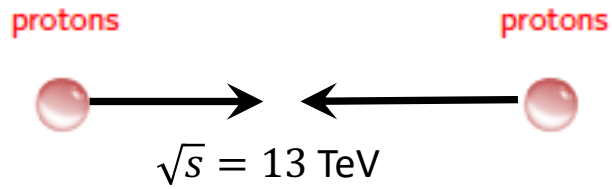
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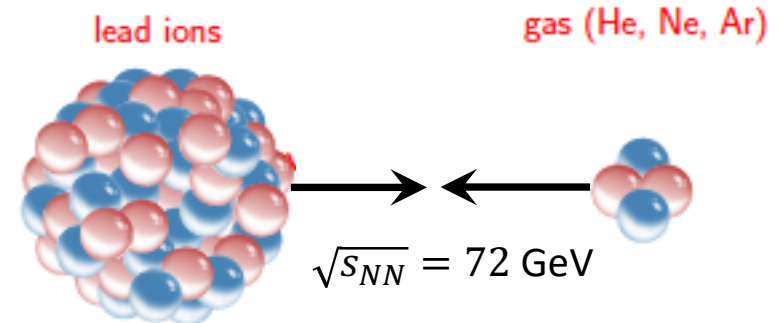
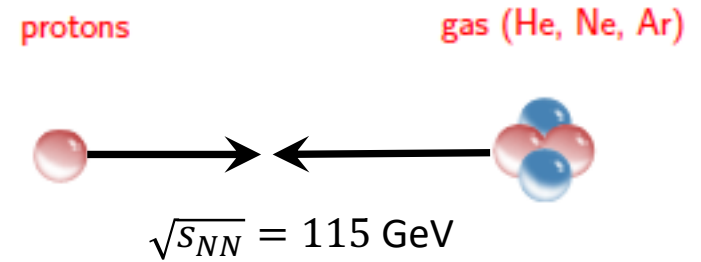


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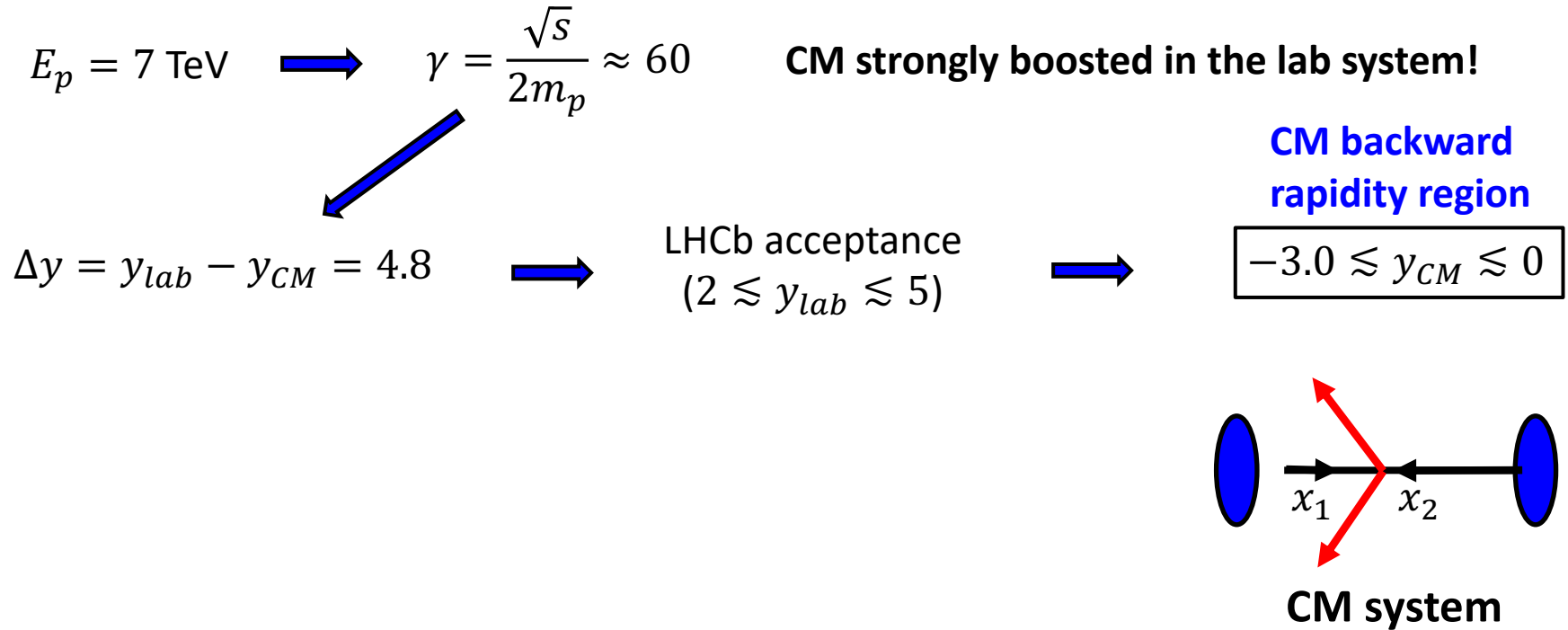
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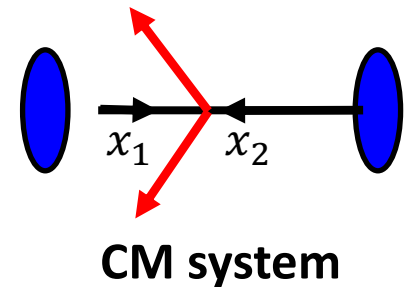
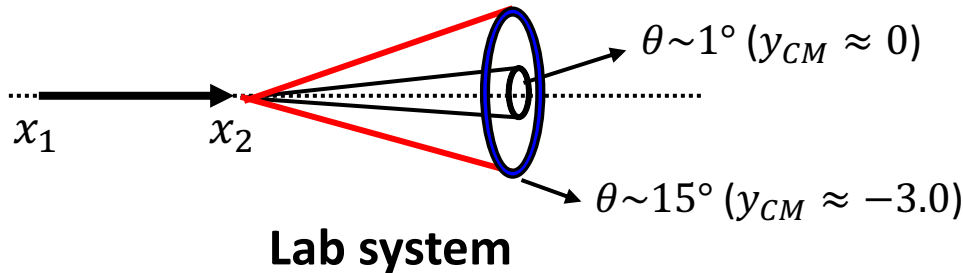
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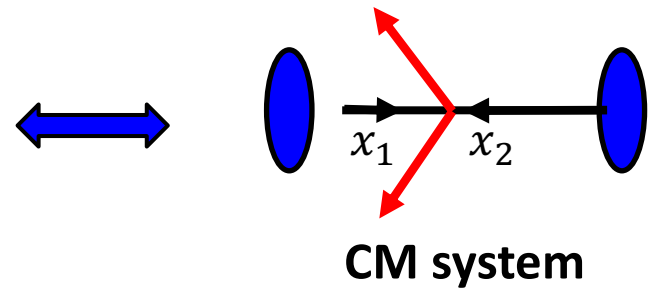
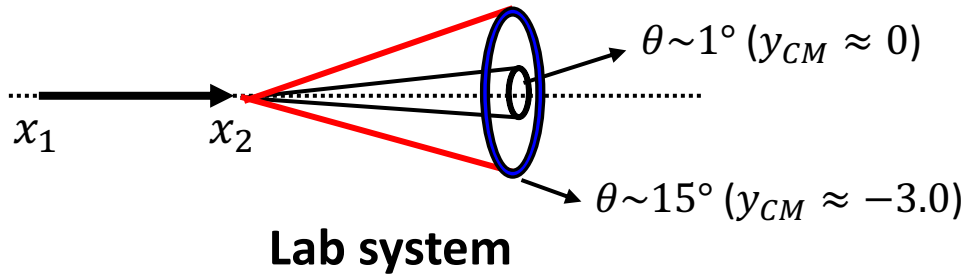
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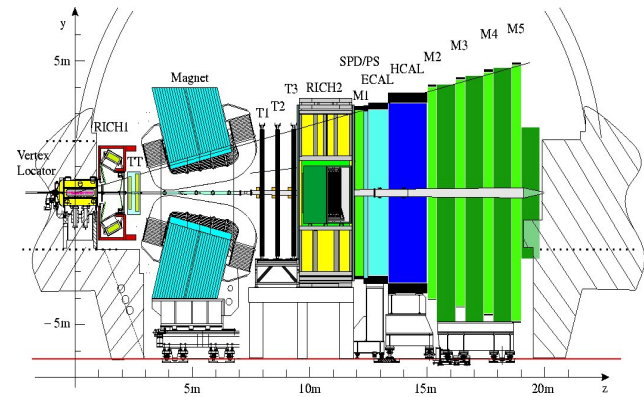
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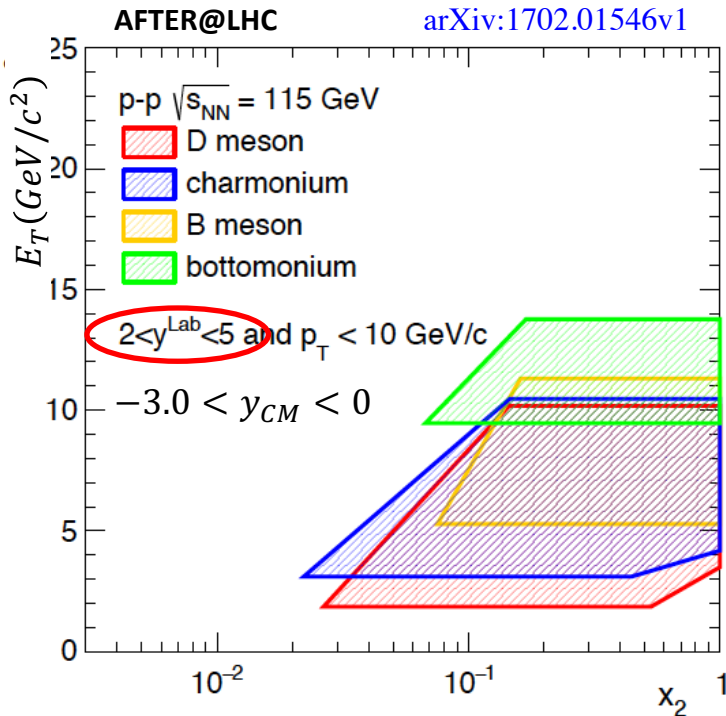


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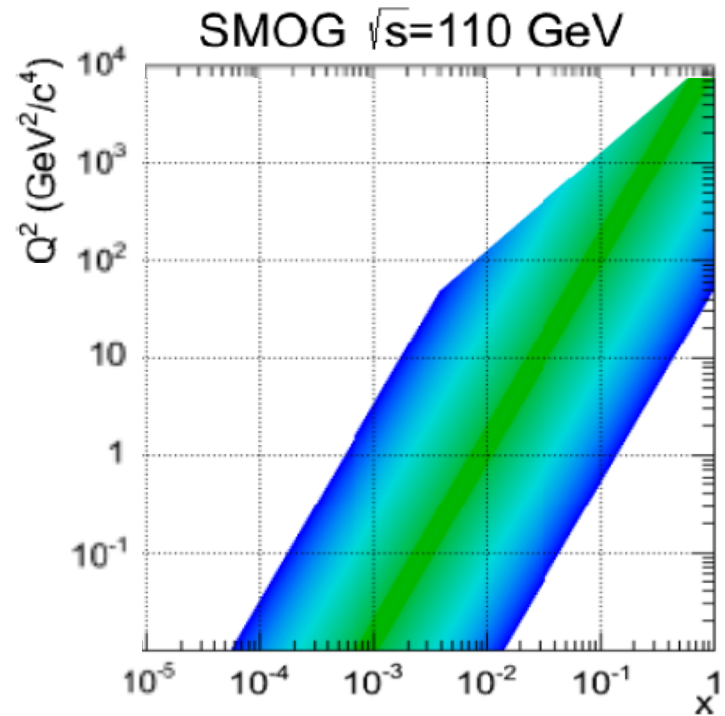
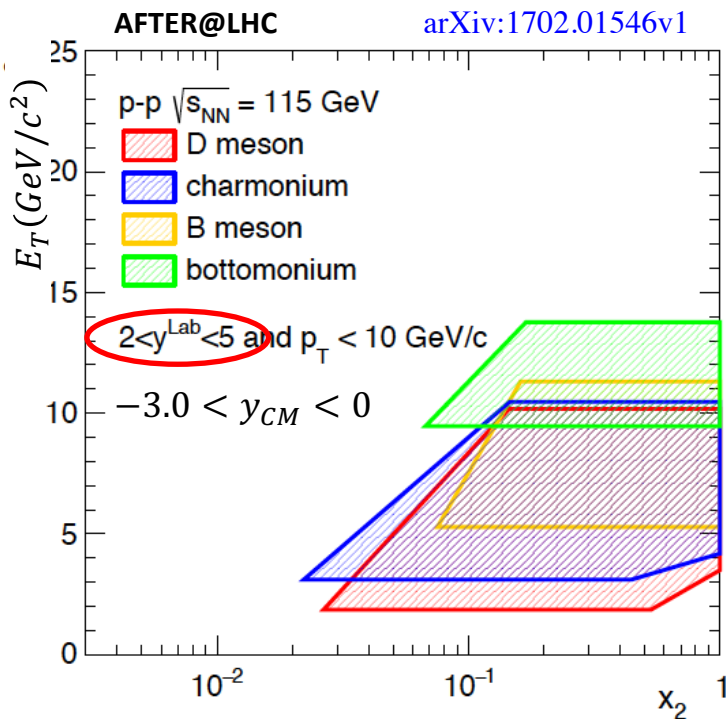
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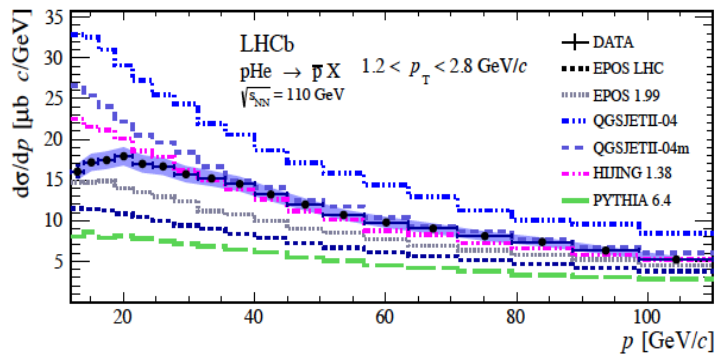
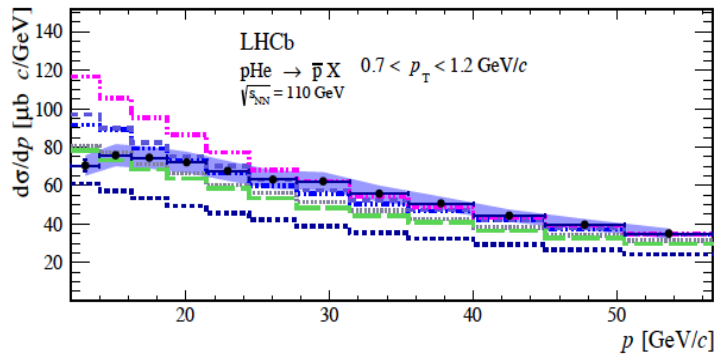
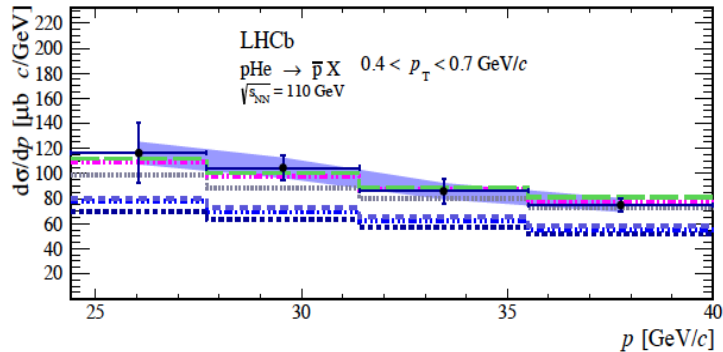
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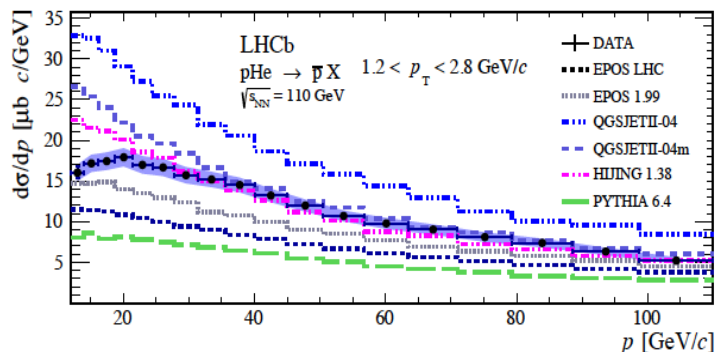
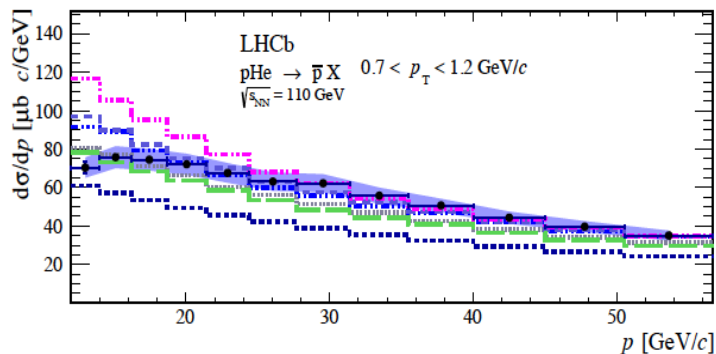
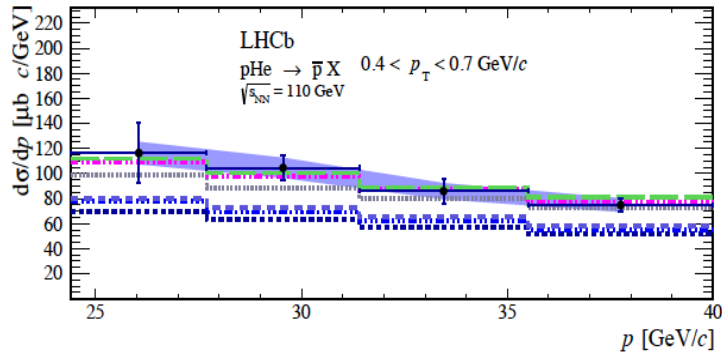
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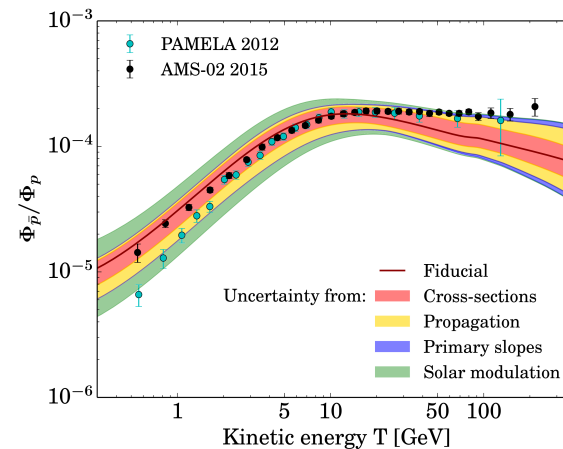


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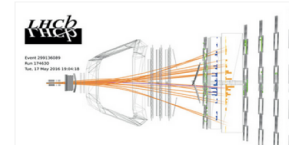
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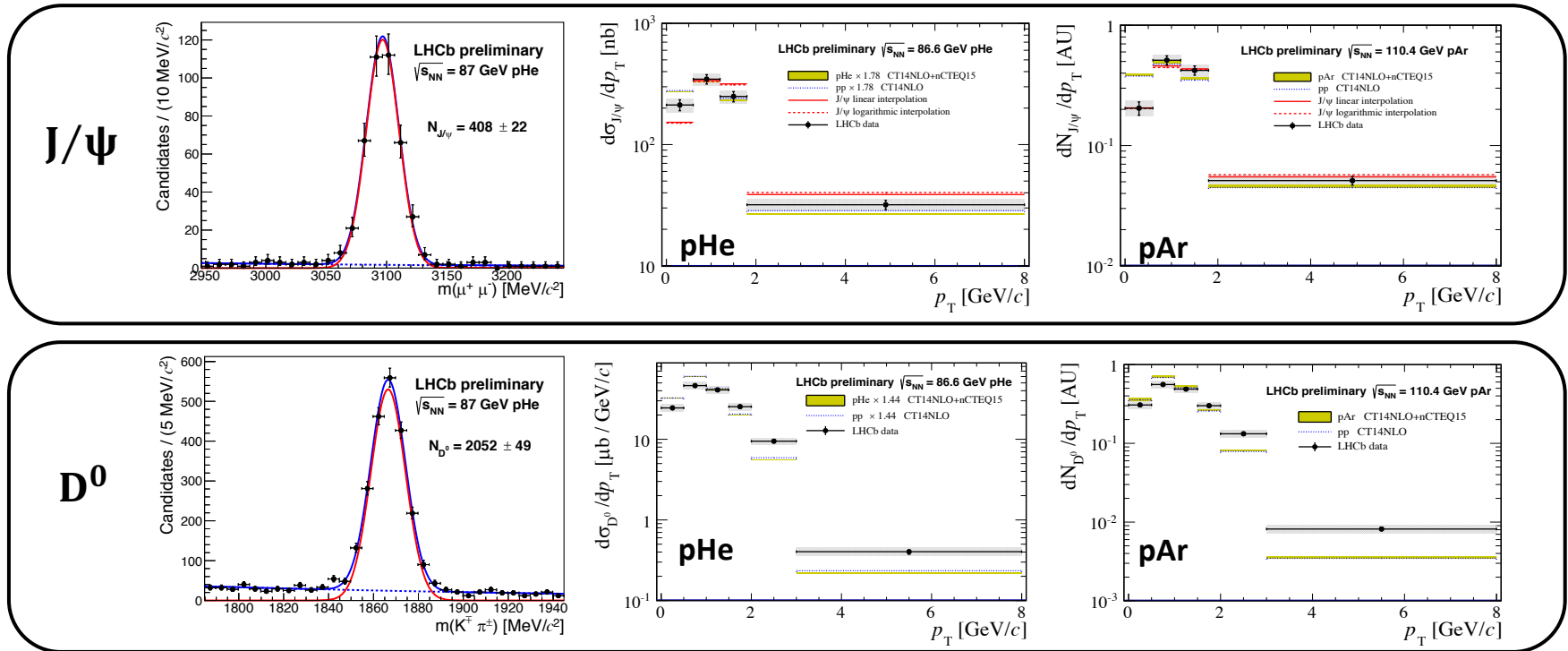


In an effort to improve our understanding of cosmic rays, the LHCb collaboration has generated high-energy collisions between protons and helium nuclei similar to those that take place when cosmic rays strike the interstellar medium. Such collisions are expected to produce a certain number of antiprotons, and are currently one of the possible explanations for the small fraction of antiprotons (about one per 10,000 protons) observed in



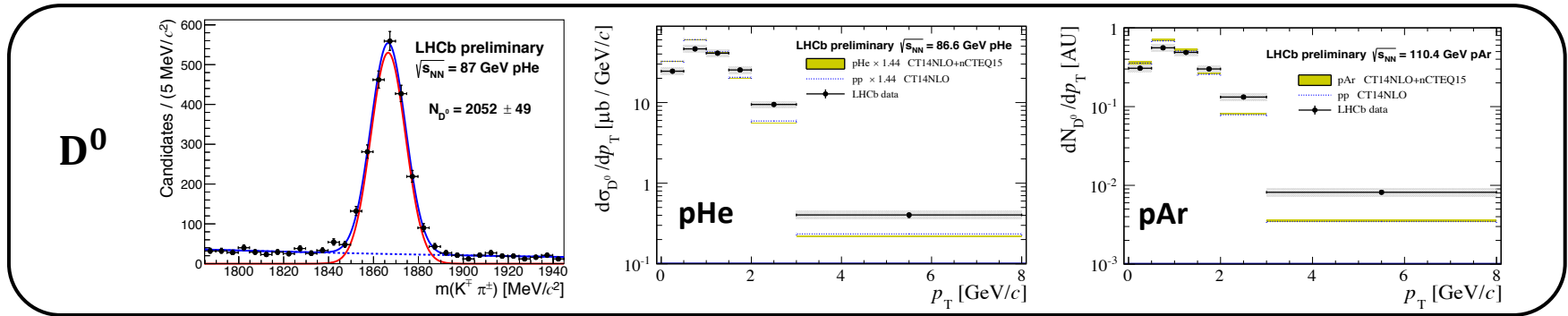
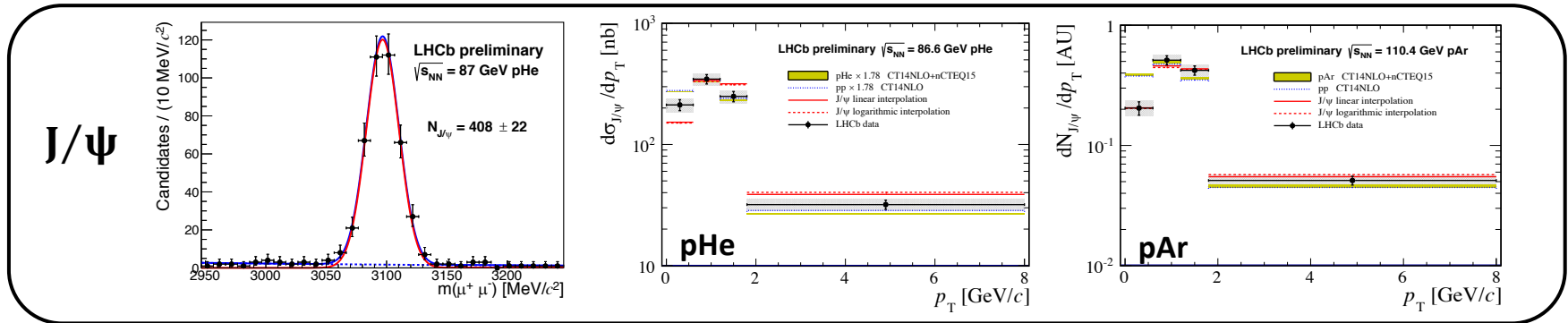
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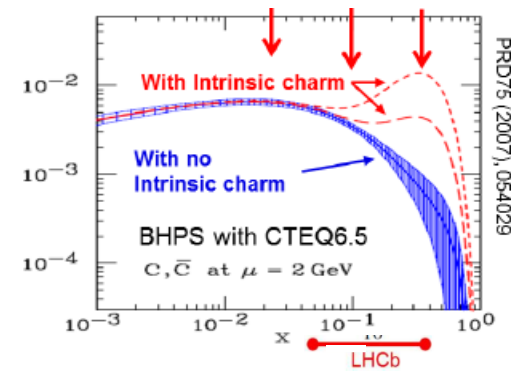
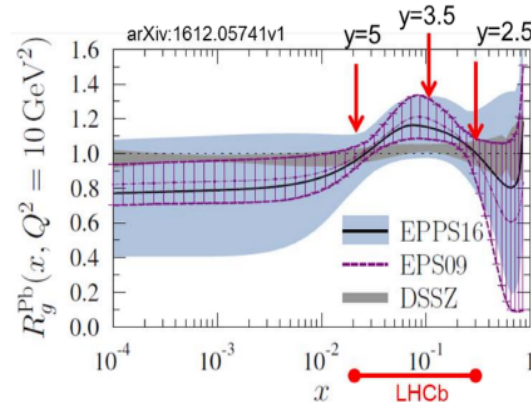


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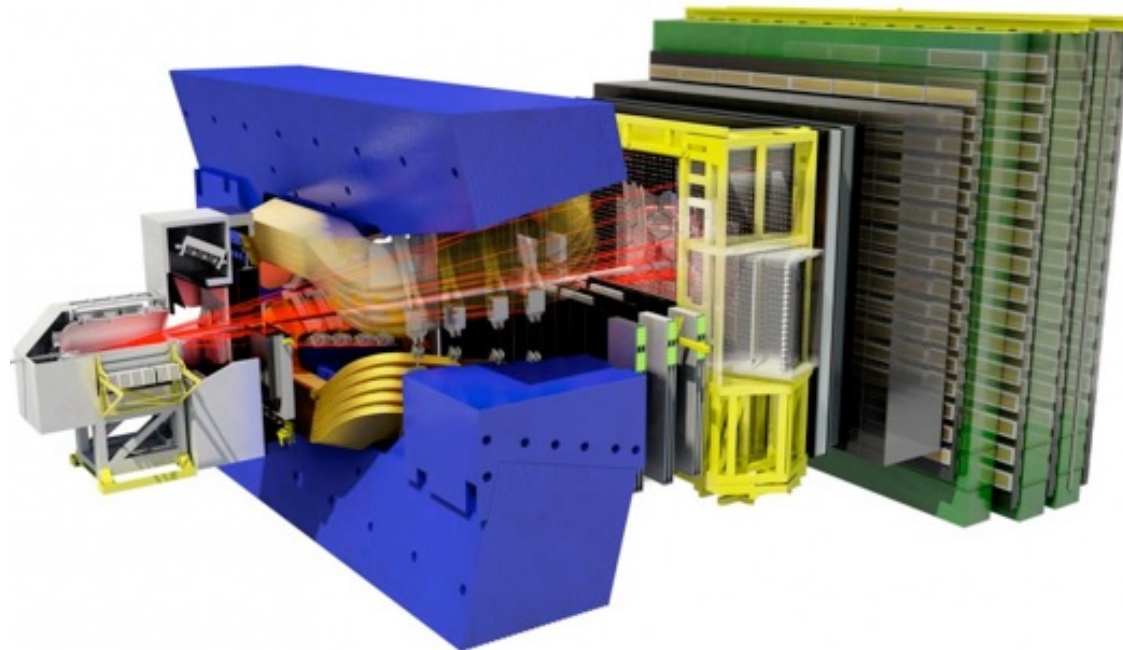
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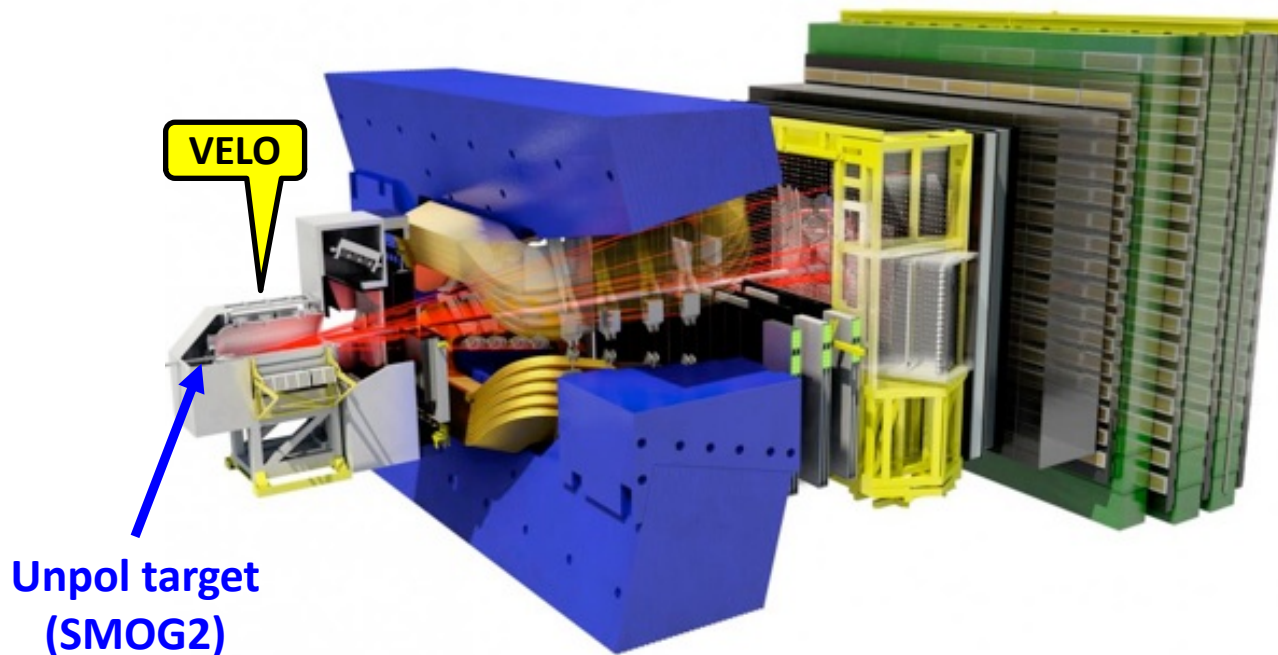
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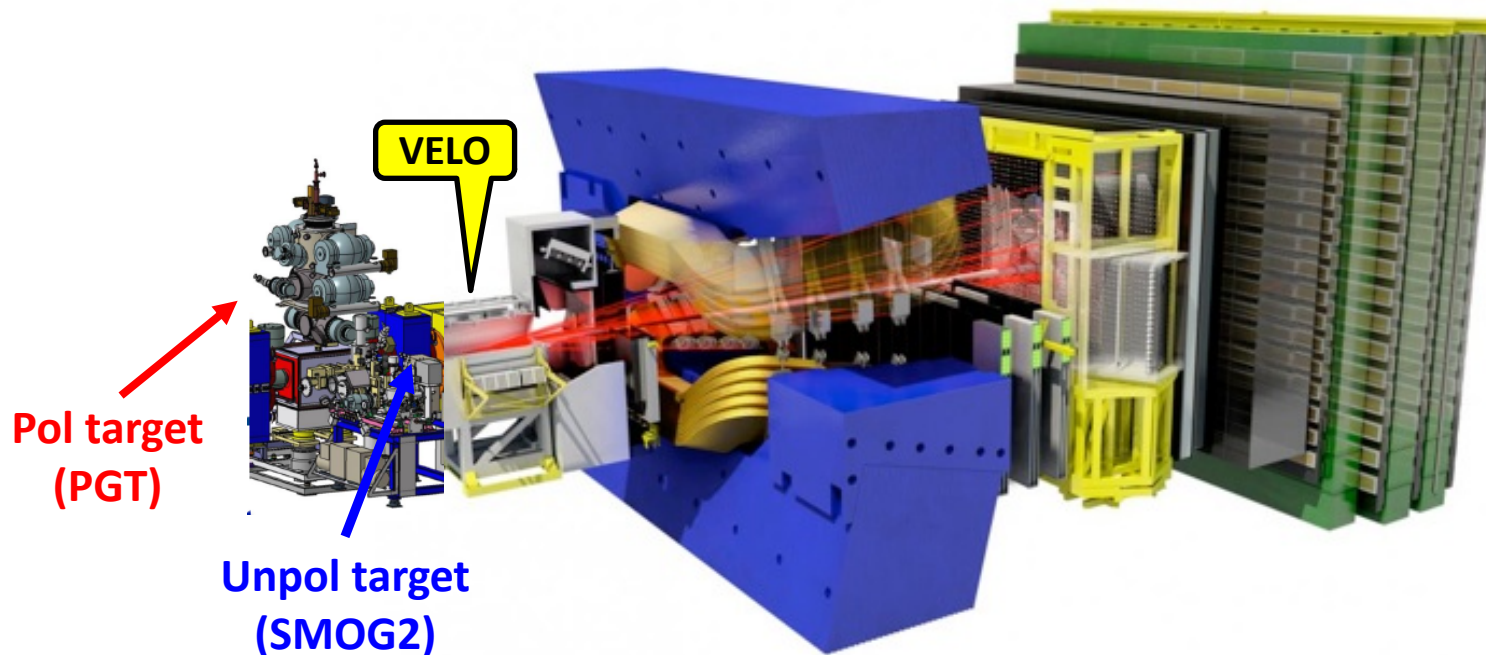
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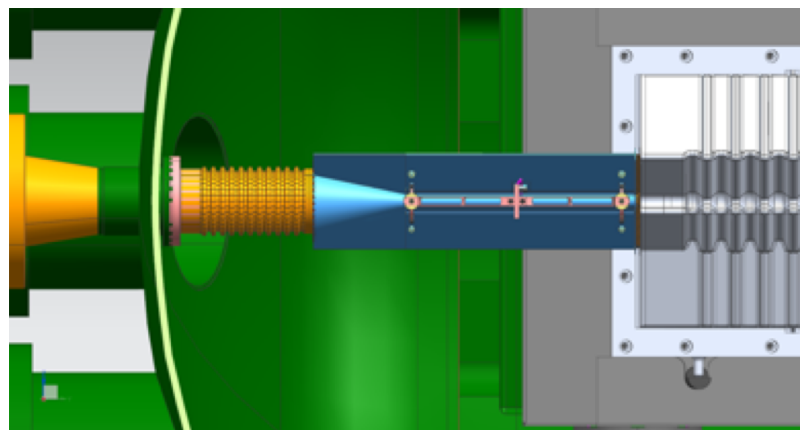
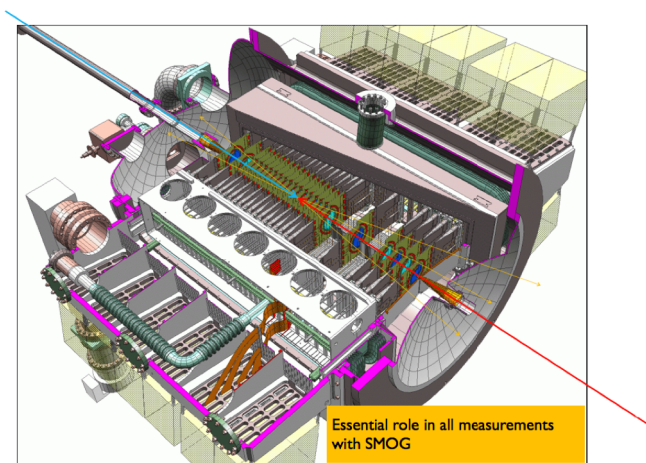
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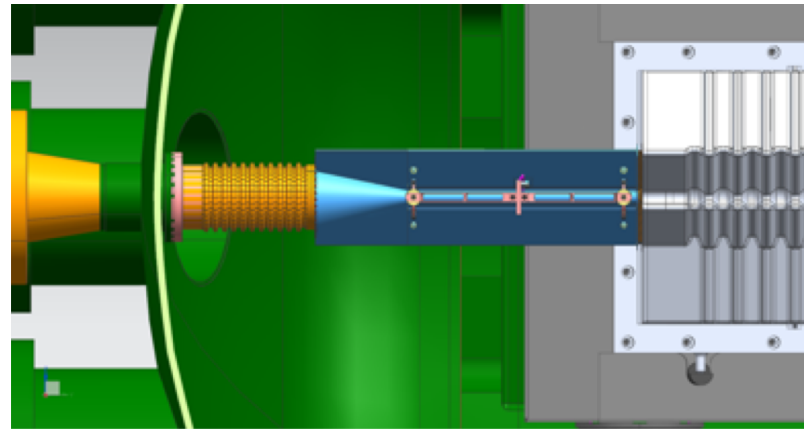
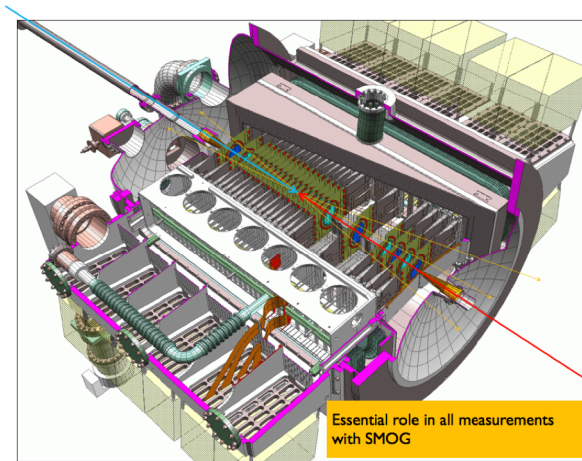
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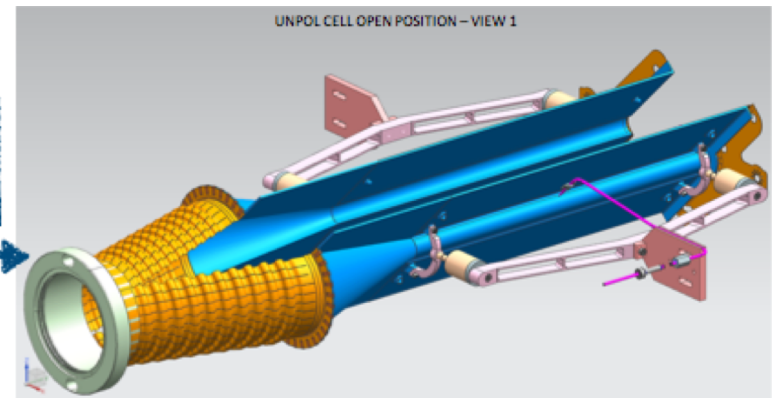
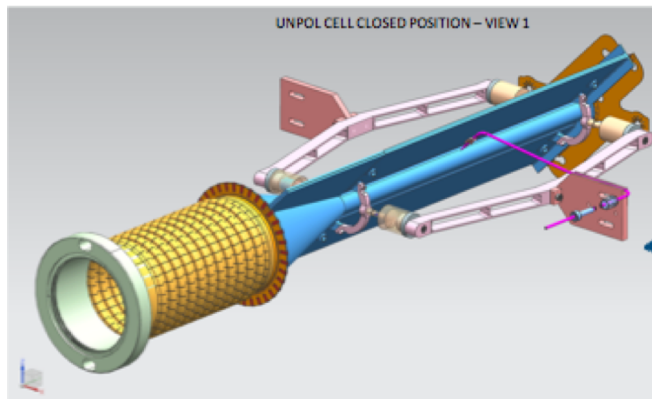
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Target profile



SMOG2 vs. SMOG

- ✓ **Increase of target density (luminosity)** by up to 2 orders of magnitude using the same gas load of SMOG ($\sim 10^{-7}$ mbar)
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- ✓ **More sophisticated Gas Feed System**: will allow to measure the target density with much higher precision
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- ✓ Preliminary MC simulations show **very similar reconstruction efficiencies** w.r.t SMOG despite IP is displaced w.r.t to VELO

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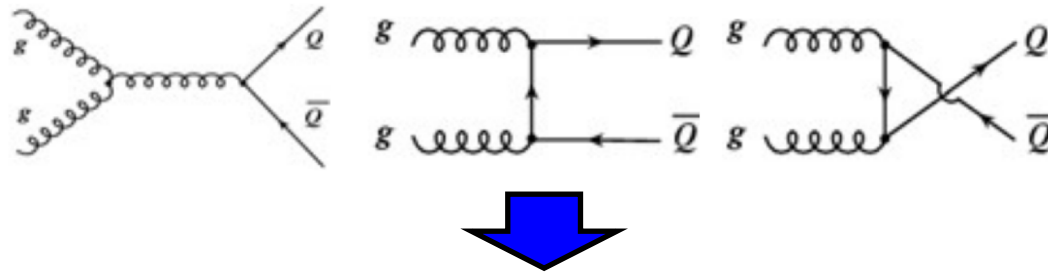
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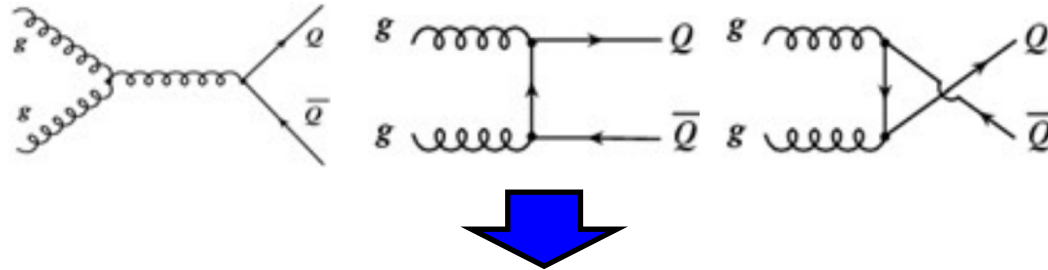
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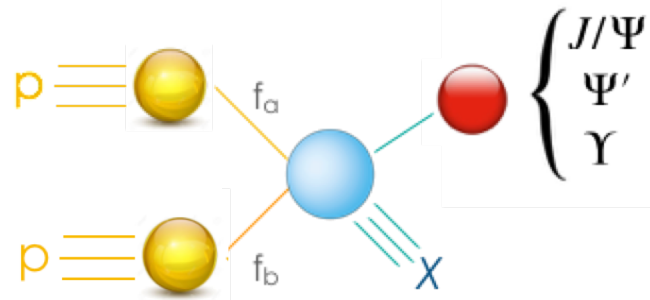
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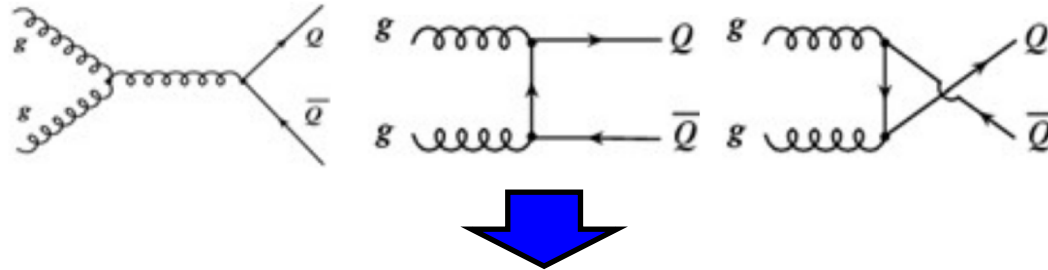
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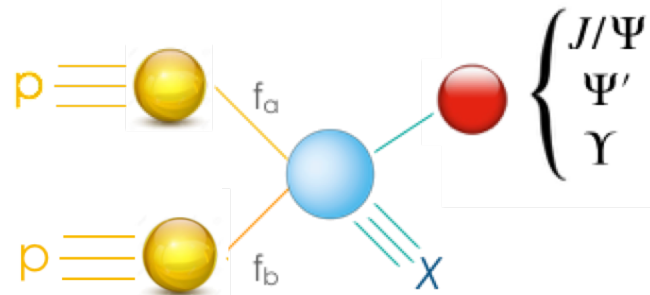
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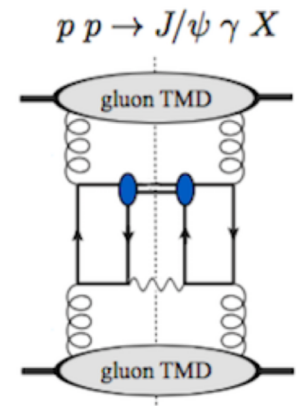
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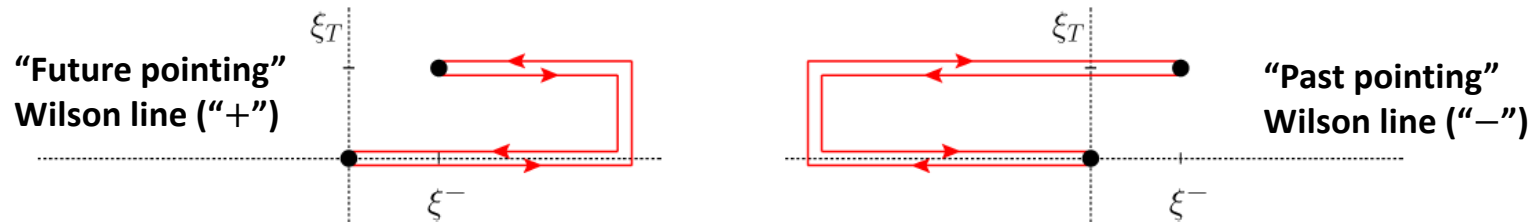


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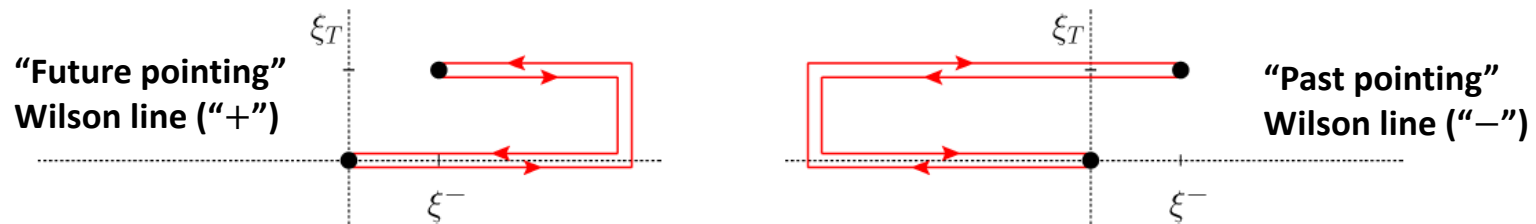


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- can differ in magnitude and width (!)
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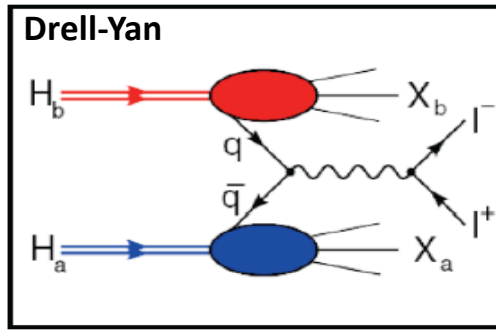


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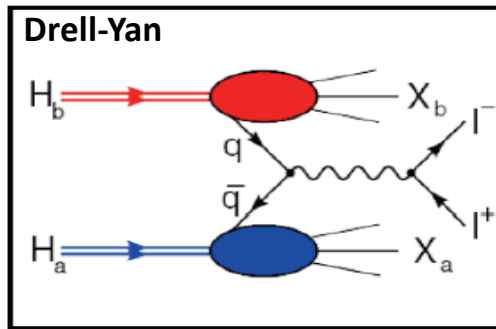
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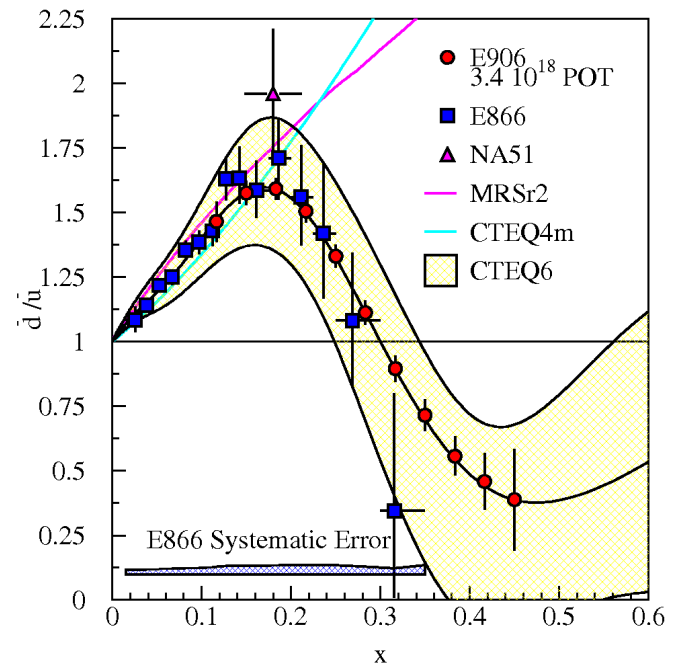
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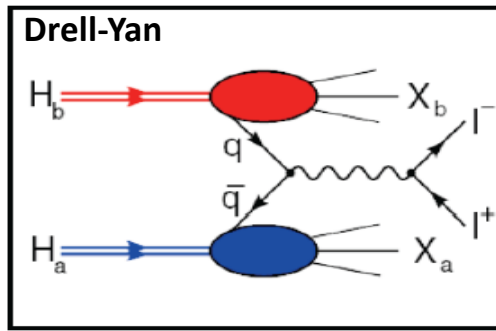
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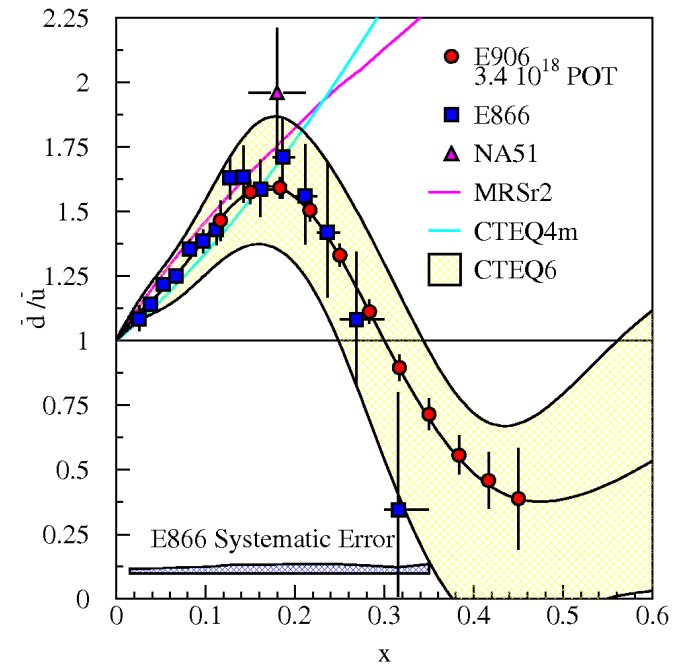
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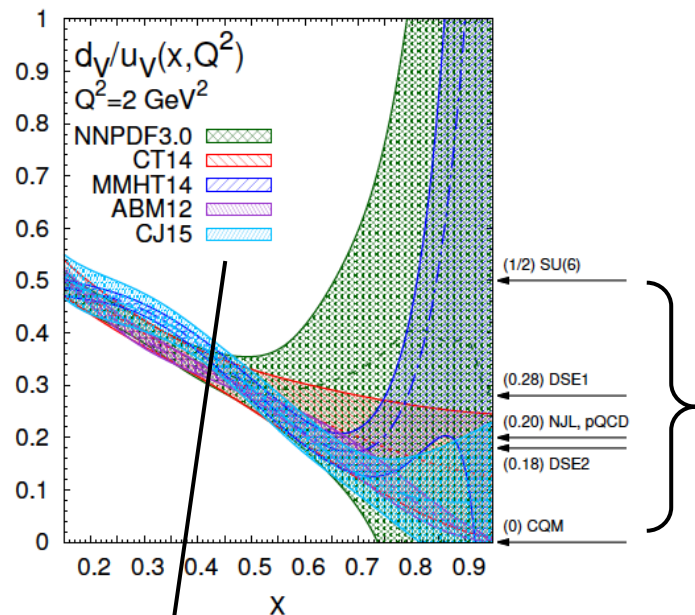


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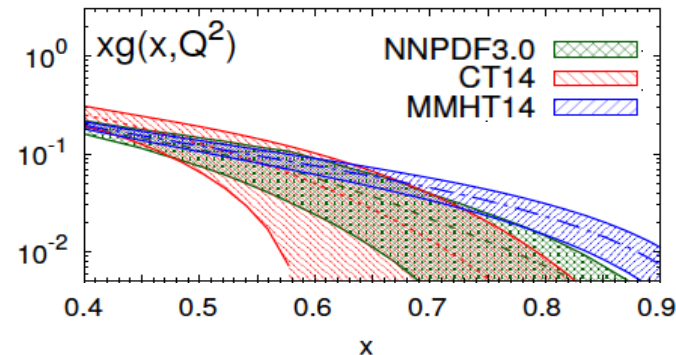
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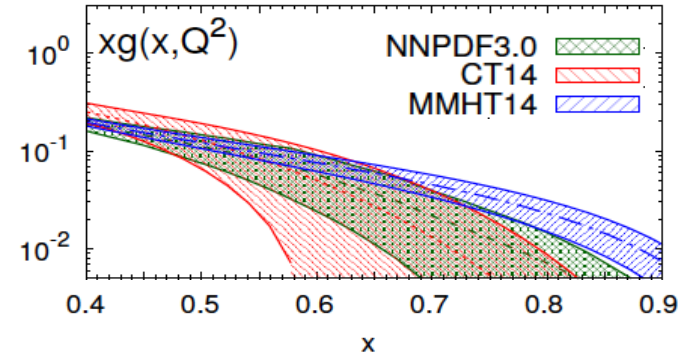
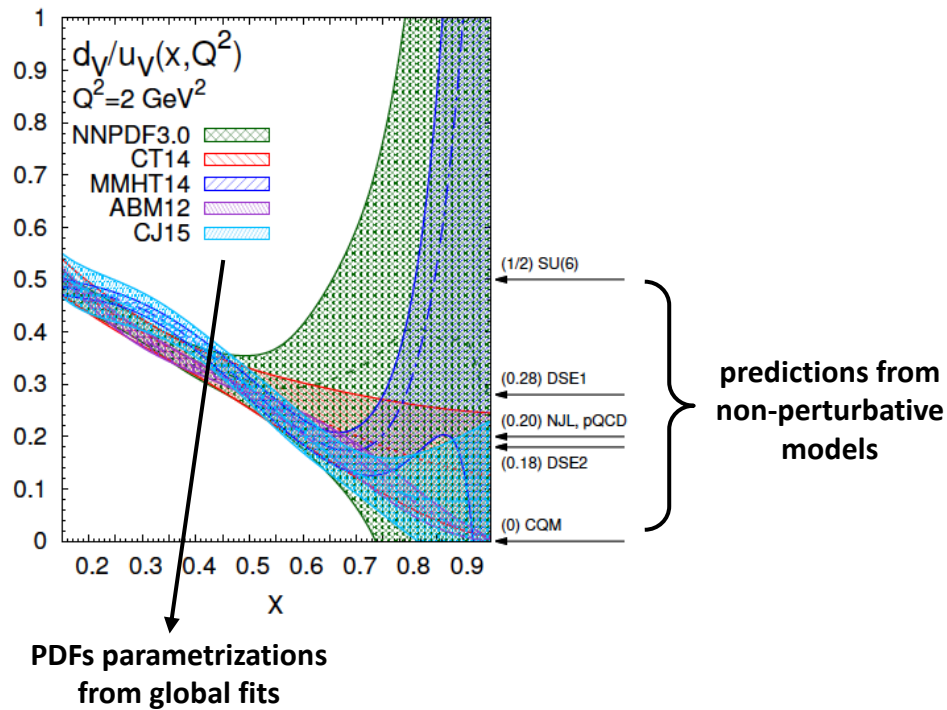
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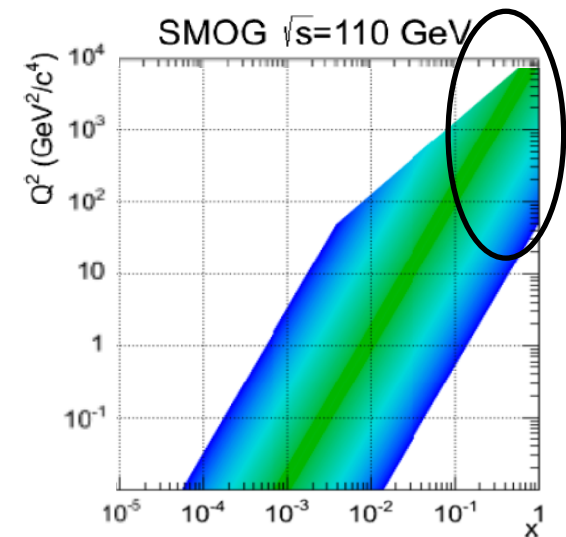
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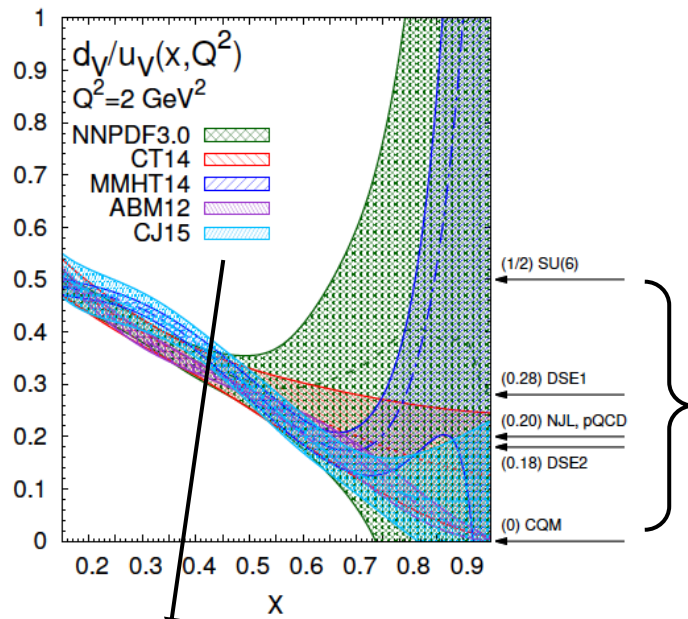


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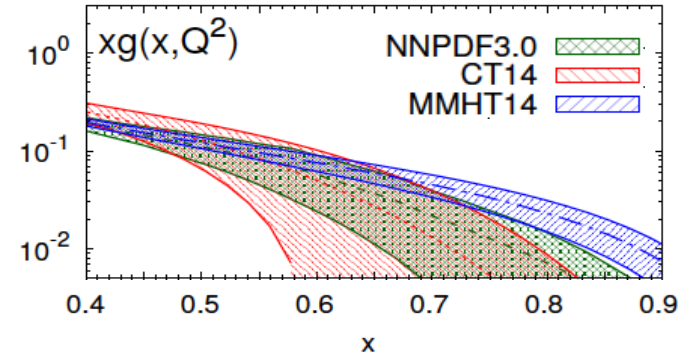
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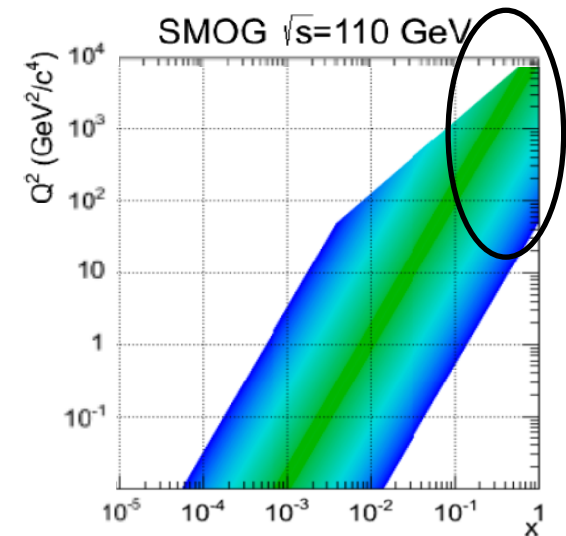
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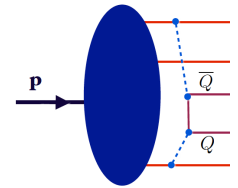
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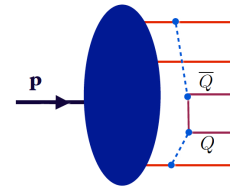
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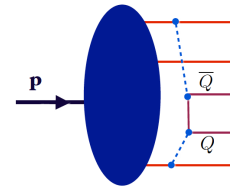
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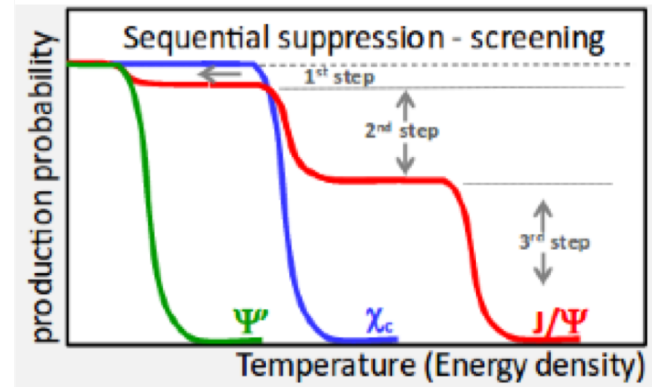
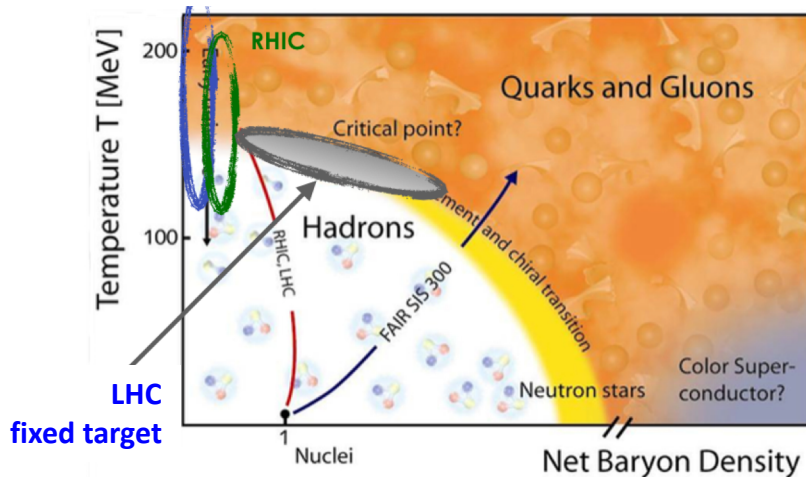
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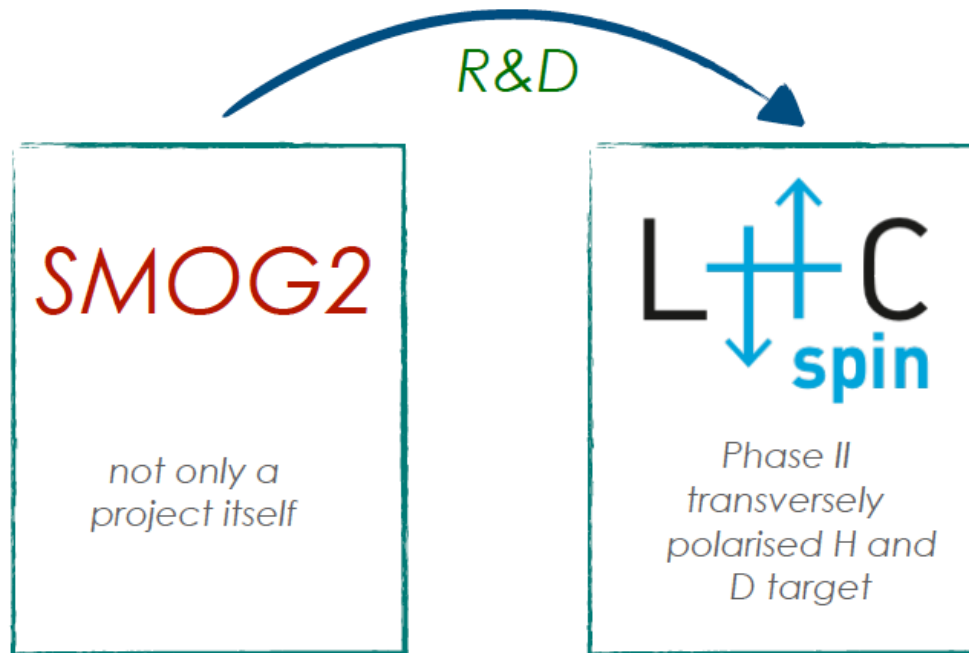
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QCD Phase-Space



$c\bar{c}$ states: $J/\psi, \chi_c, \psi', \dots$

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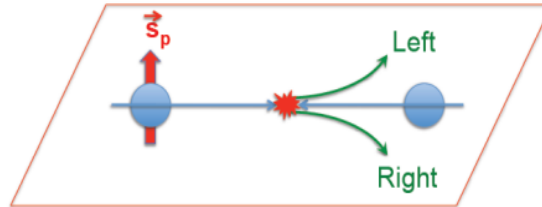
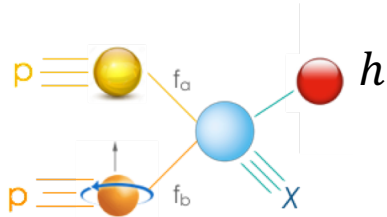
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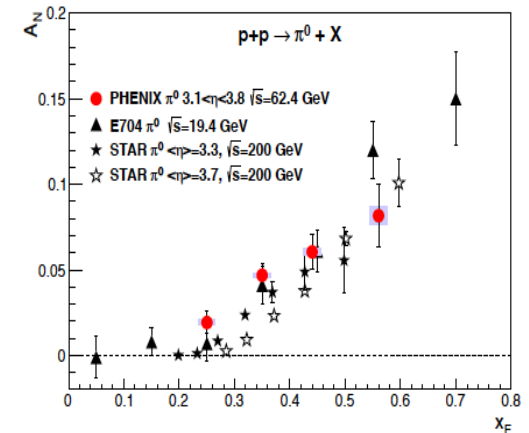
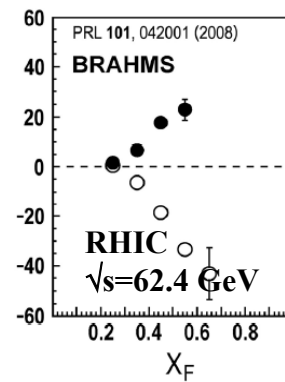
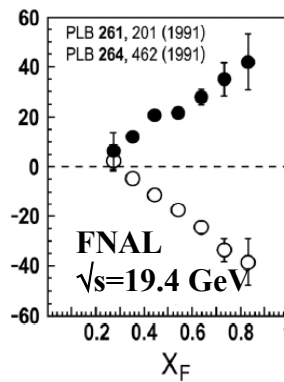
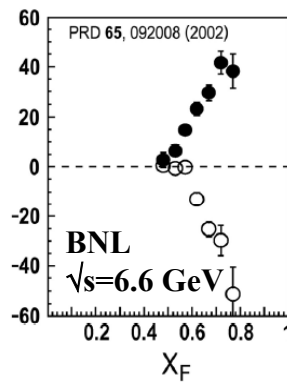
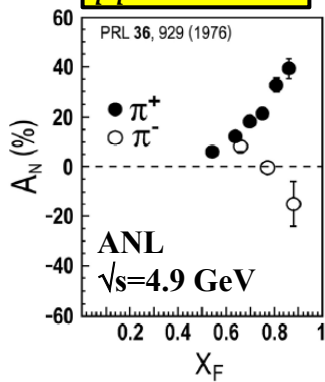
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LO collinear pQCD predicts $A_N \sim O(10^{-4})$ but **asymmetries as large as 40%** have been measured!

$pp^\uparrow \rightarrow \pi + X$



- **Very large asymmetries persistent with energy !**
- Reproduced by various experiments over 40 years!
- Large asymmetries up to $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV, where the applicability of pQCD is established.

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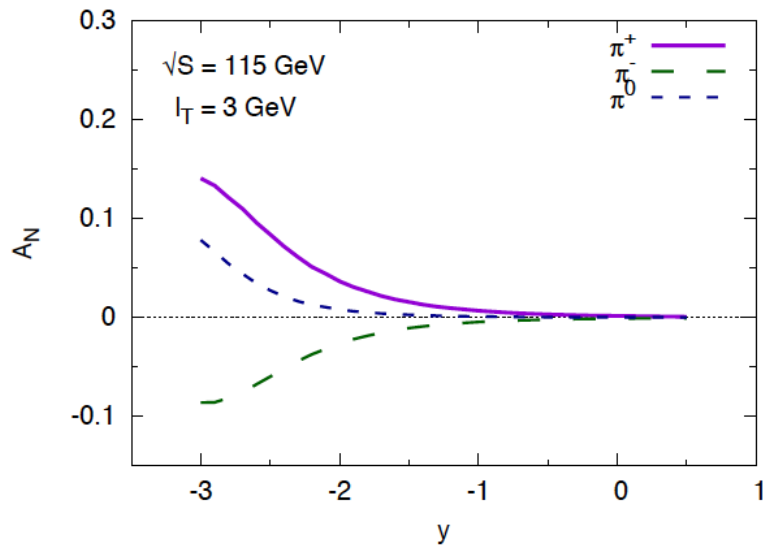
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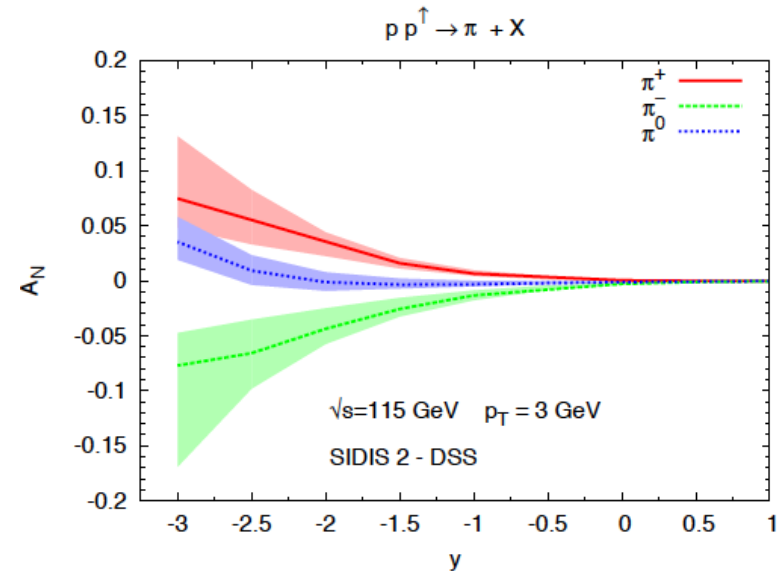
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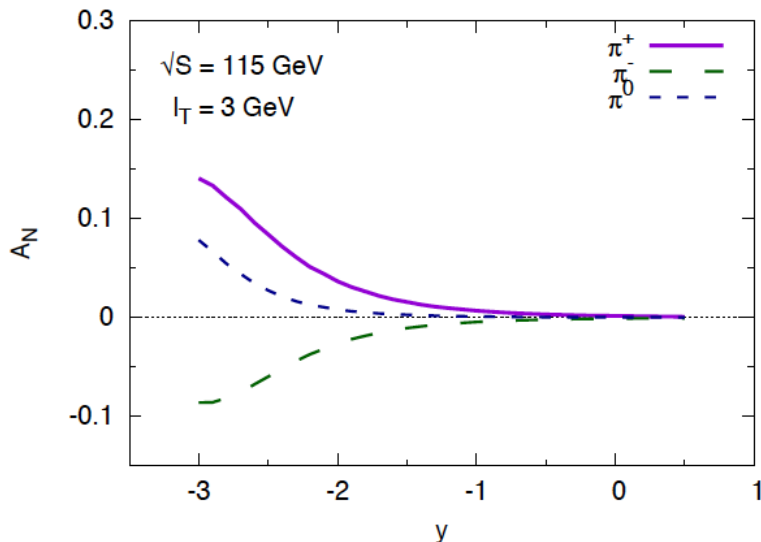
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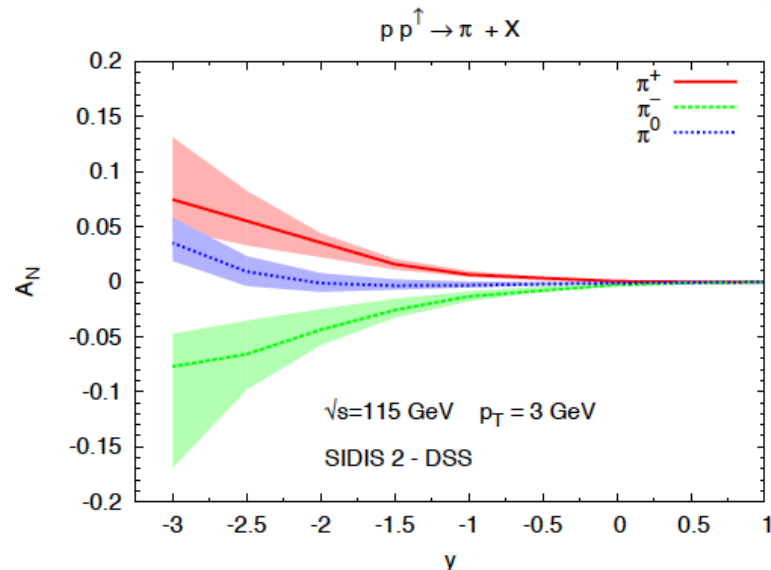
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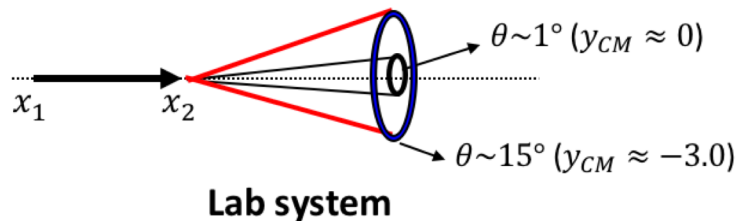


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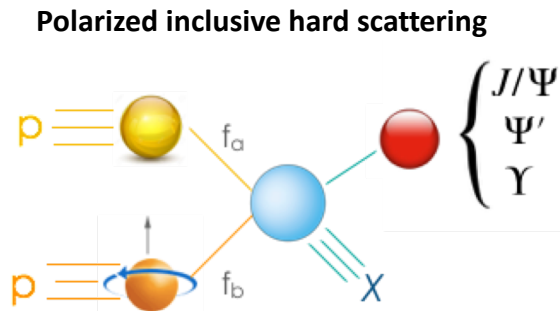


- **Asymmetries above 10 %! Big signature!!**
- The effect increases with more negative CM rapidity
- Nicely matches LHCb acceptance with fixed target!



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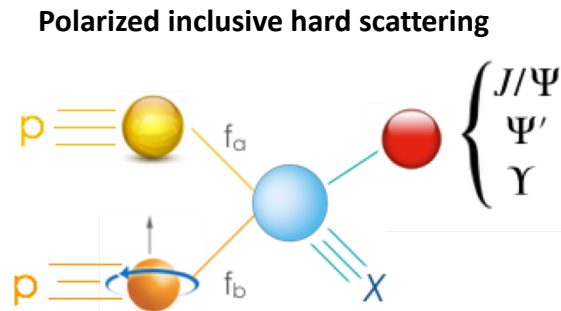
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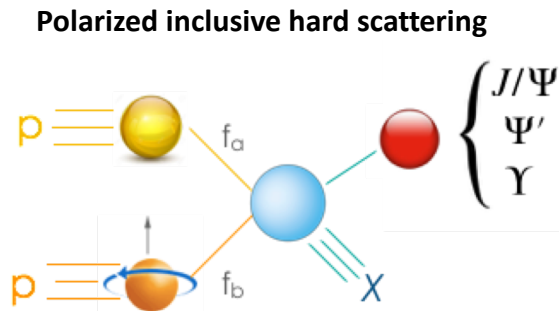
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		Gluon TMDs		
		Unpol	Circularly pol.	Linearly pol.
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	L		g_1^g	$h_{1L}^{\perp g}$
	T	$f_{1T}^{\perp g}$	$g_{1T}^{\perp g}$	h_{1T}^g $h_{1T}^{\perp g}$

One main achievement would be accessing the **gluon Sivers function through STSAs:**

- first hints by RHIC and COMPASS, but still basically unknown!
- shed light on spin-orbit correlations of gluons inside the proton
- sensitive to gluon orbital angular momentum!

The measured STSAs can be related (GPM) to the convolution of the gluon Sivers function for the target proton and the unpolarized gluon pdf for the beam proton:

$$A_N = \frac{1}{P} \frac{\sigma^\uparrow - \sigma^\downarrow}{\sigma^\uparrow + \sigma^\downarrow} \sim \frac{1}{P} \frac{N_h^\uparrow - N_h^\downarrow}{N_h^\uparrow + N_h^\downarrow} \propto [f_{1T}^{\perp g}(x_a, k_{\perp a}) \otimes f_g(x_b, k_{\perp b}) \otimes d\sigma_{gg \rightarrow QQg}] \sin \phi_S + \dots$$

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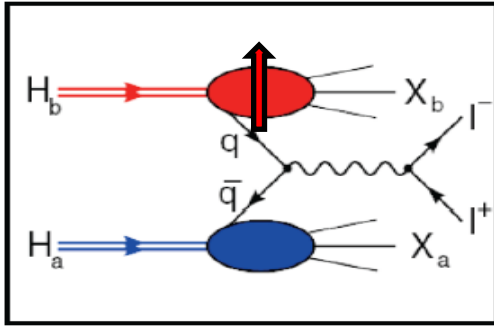
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$$[+ , +] \longleftrightarrow f_{1T}^{\perp g[ep^\dagger \rightarrow e' Q \bar{Q} X]}(x, p_T^2) = -f_{1T}^{\perp g[p^\dagger p \rightarrow \gamma \gamma X]}(x, p_T^2) \longleftrightarrow [- , -]$$

Same sign-change relation expected for the other T-odd gTMDs h_1^g and $h_{1T}^{\perp g}$!

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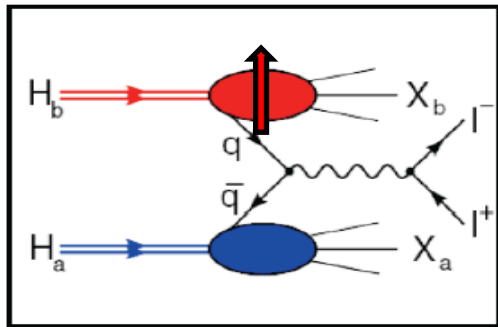
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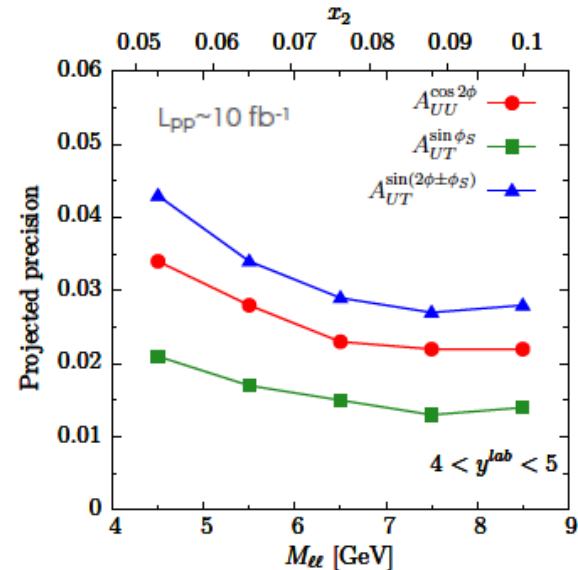
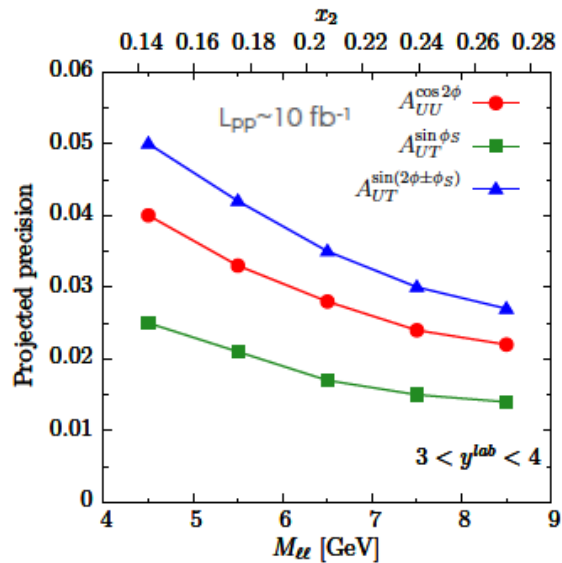
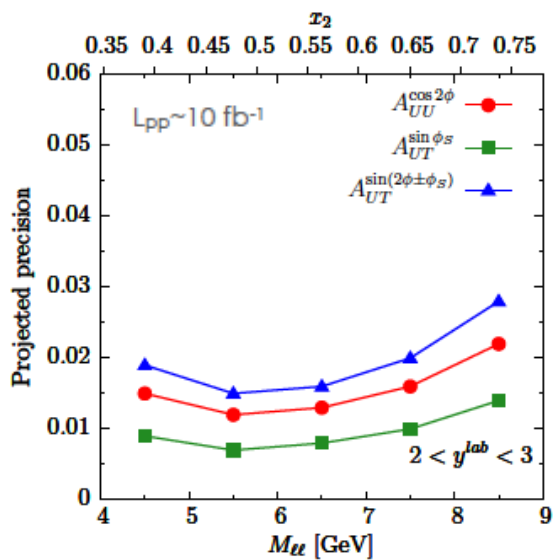
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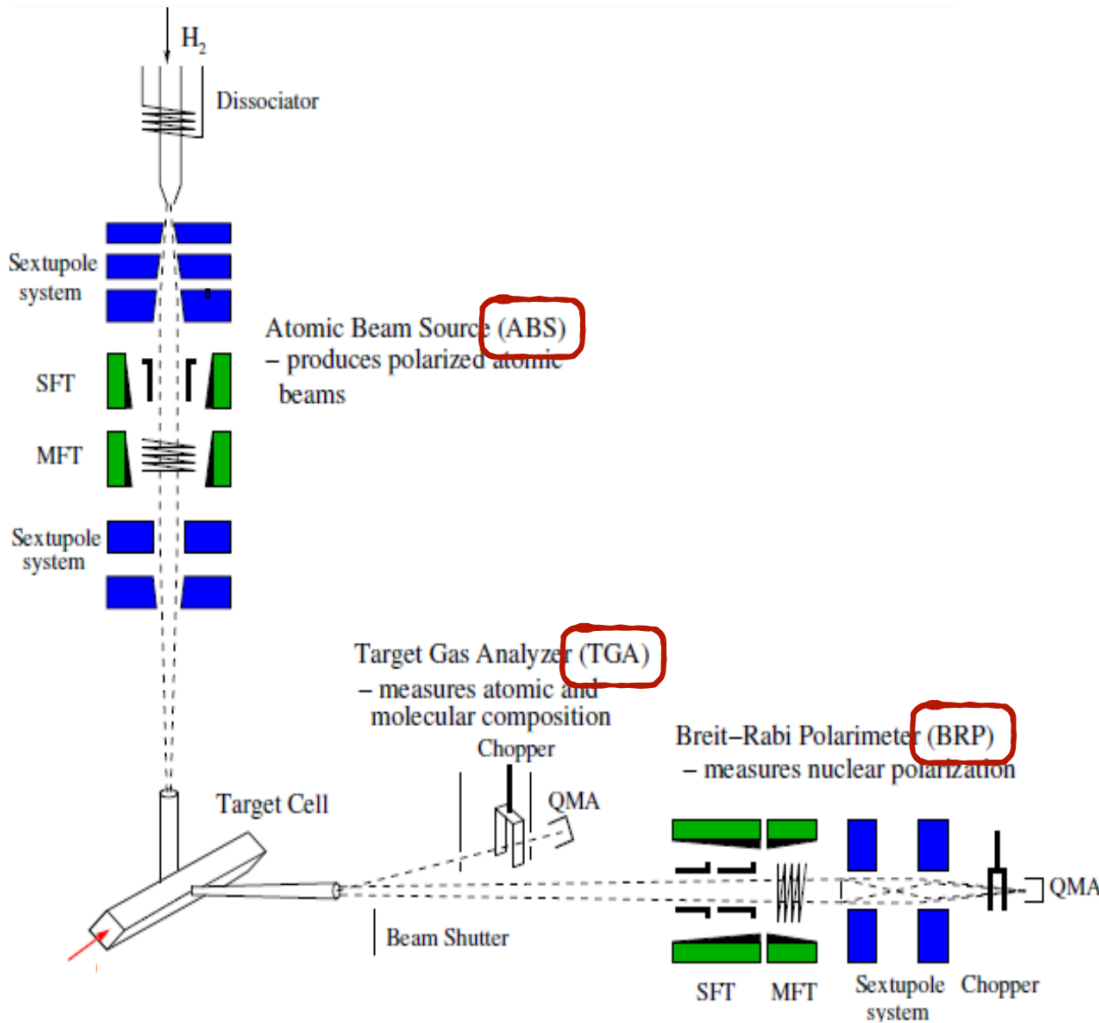


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The polarized target Setup

A new design for a compact polarized gas target

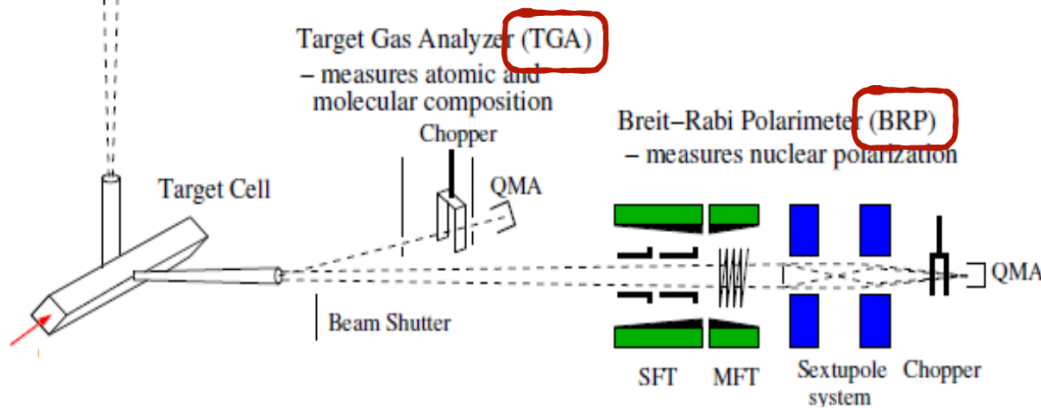
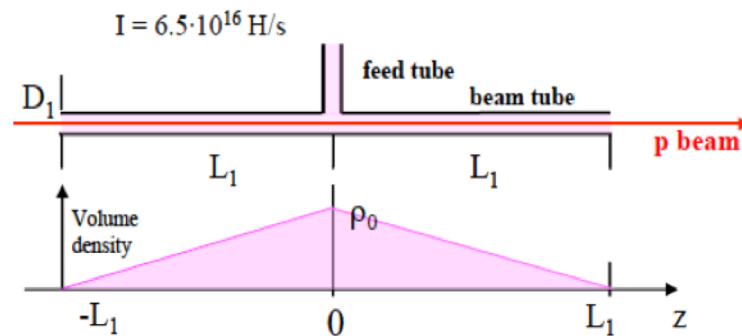
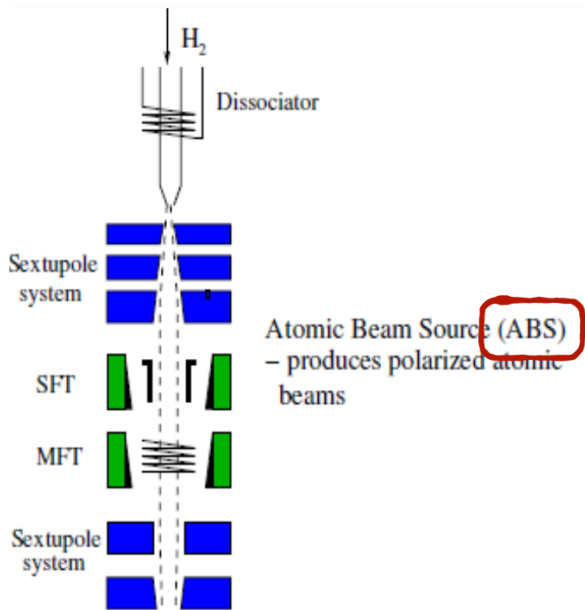
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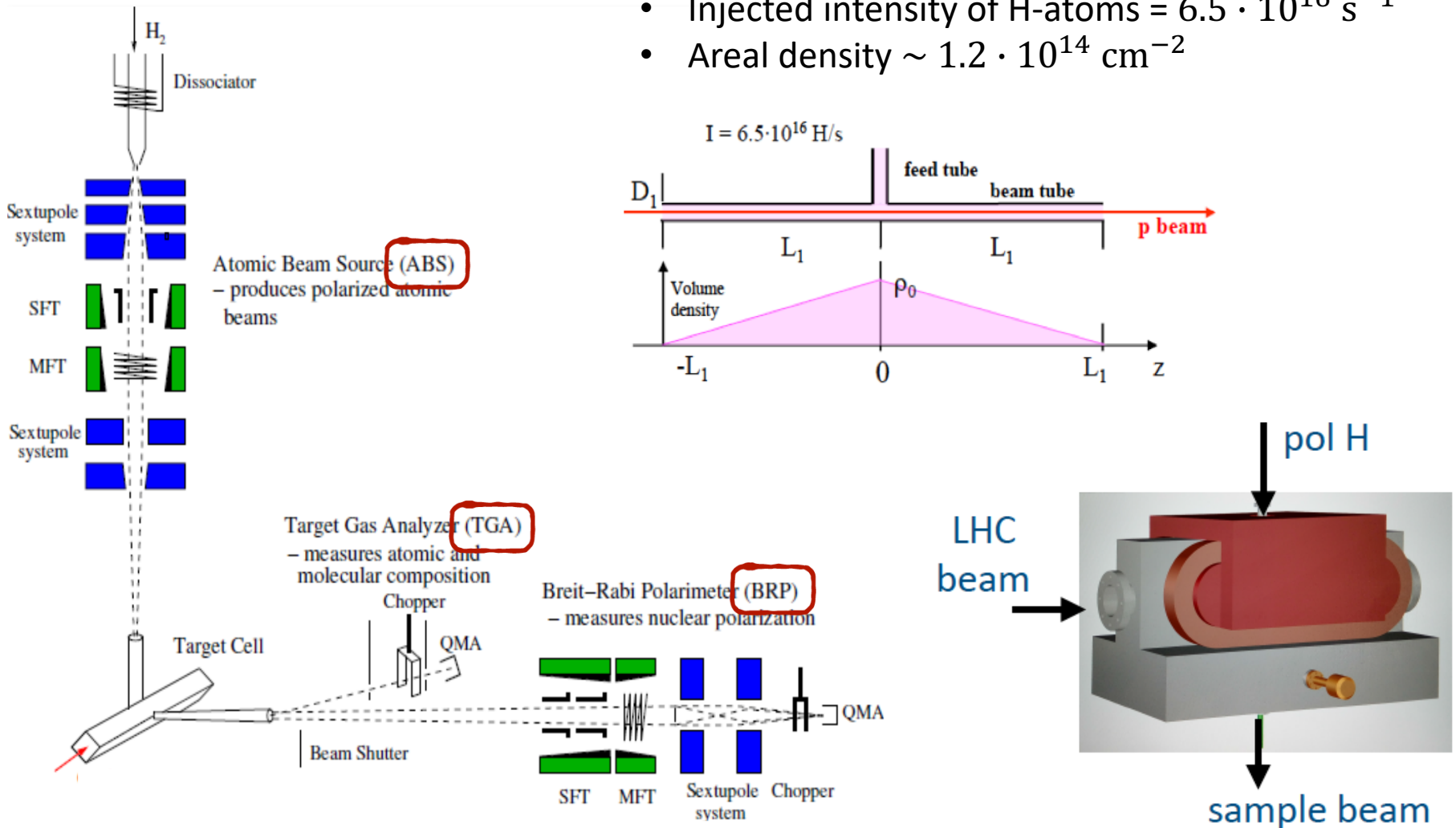
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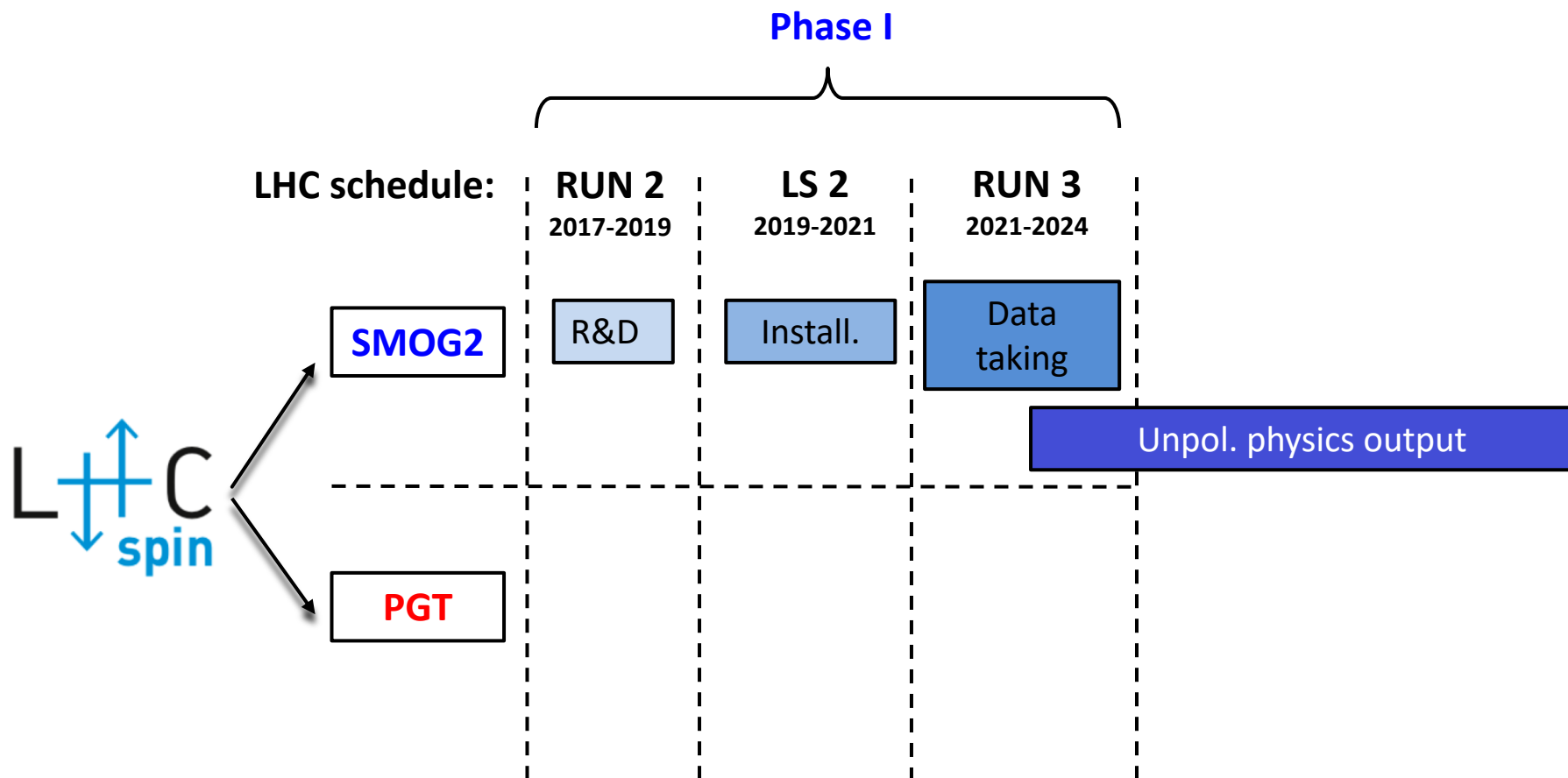
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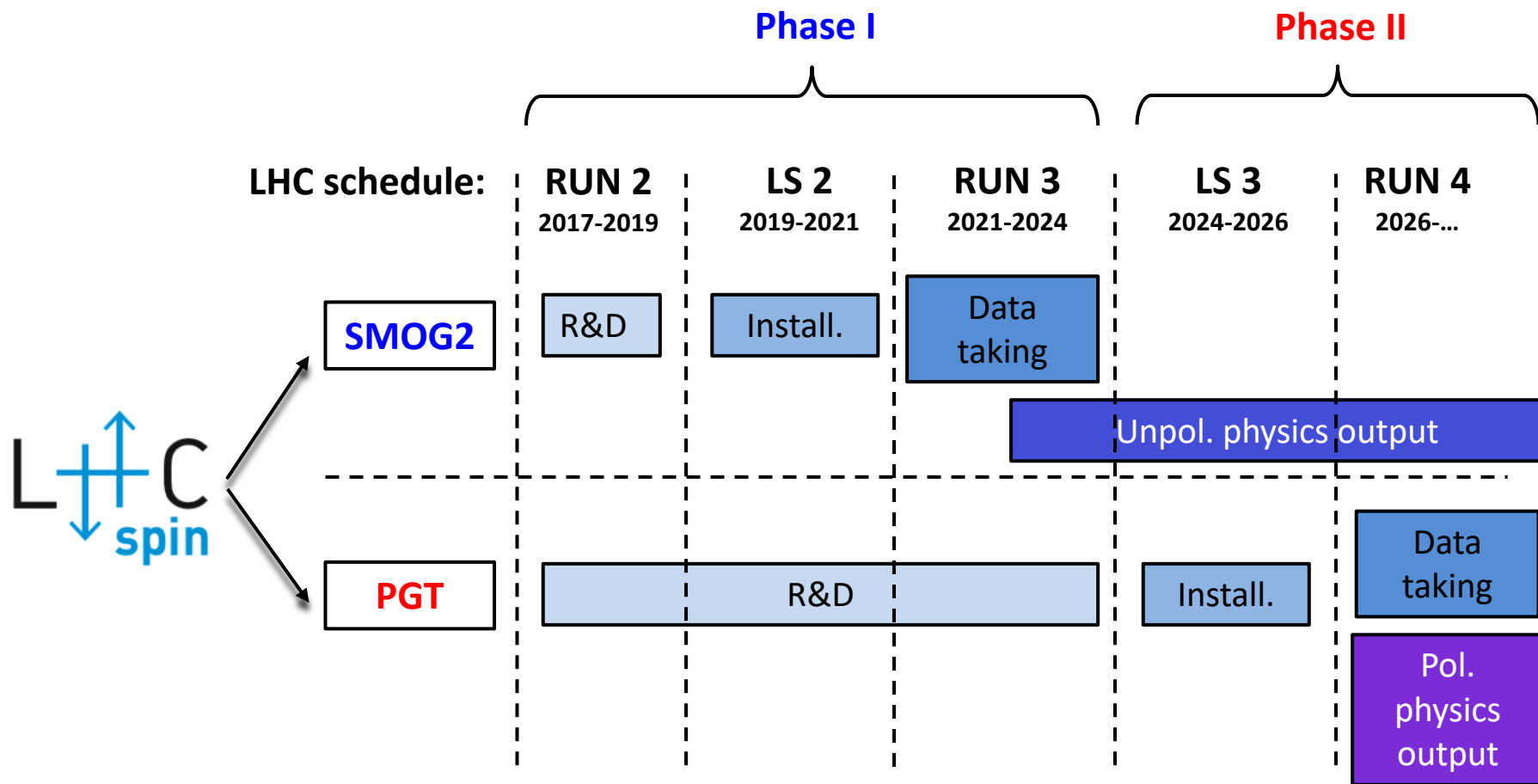
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- The pressure in the LHC beam pipe outside the target region would be $\sim 10^{-7}$ mbar, one order of magnitude lower than the maximum pressure allowed by LHC
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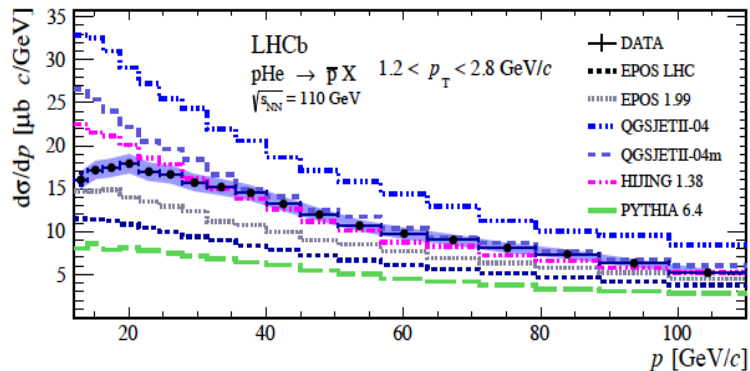
Anyone interested to contribute to this fascinating challenge is more than welcome!!



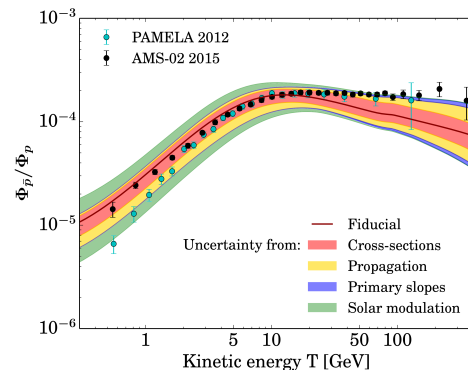
Backup

First physics results with SMOG

➤ First measurement of \bar{p} production in pHe collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 110$ GeV [arXiv:1808.06127](https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.06127)

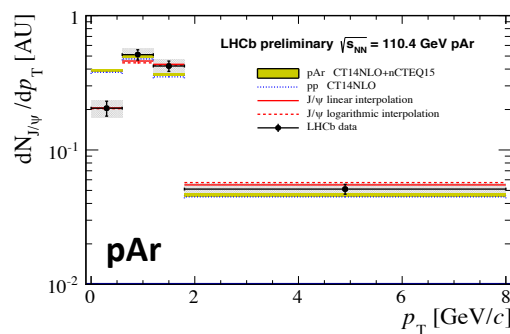
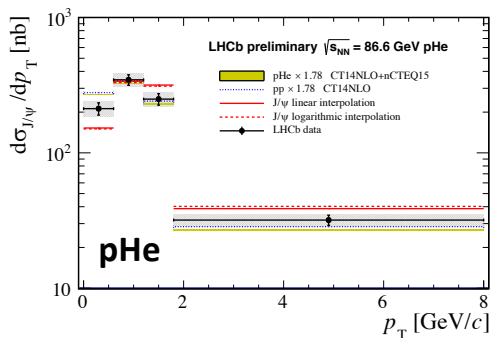
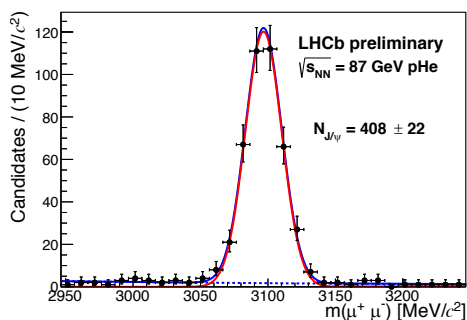


Relevant for cosmic-rays/DM physics: predictions for \bar{p}/p flux ratio from spallation of primary cosmic rays on interstellar medium (H and He) are presently limited by uncertainties on \bar{p} production cross sections.

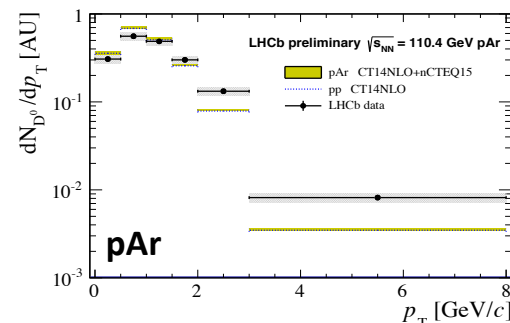
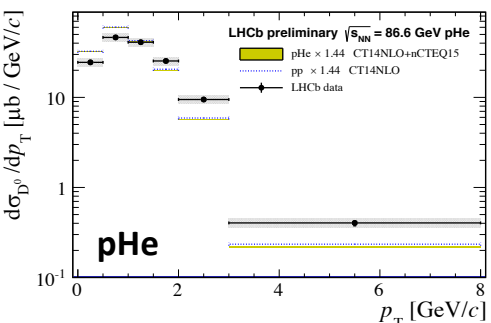
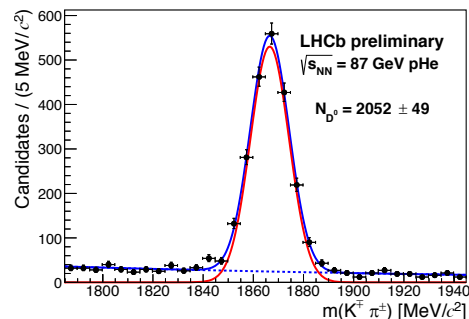


➤ J/ψ and D^0 production in pAr and pHe collisions [LHCb-PAPER-2018-023 \(in preparation\)](#)

J/ψ



D^0



The LHCSpin project



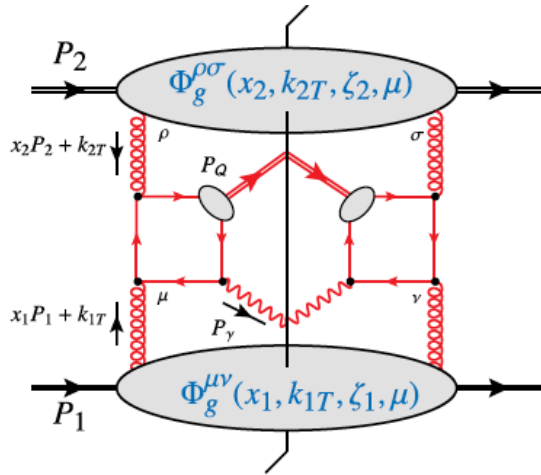
A growing motivated collaboration:

Christian Baumgarten	(PSI Zurich)
Vito Carassiti	(INFN and University of Ferrara)
Giuseppe Ciullo	(INFN and University of Ferrara)
Pasquale Di Nezza	(INFN Laboratori Nazionali di Frascati, LHCb)
Ralf Engels	(IKP - Forschungszentrum Jülich)
Kirill Grigoryev	(IKP - Forschungszentrum Jülich)
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Frank Rathmann	(IKP - Forschungszentrum Jülich)
Davide Reggiani	(PSI Zurich)
Marco Statera	(INFN and University of Milano)
Erhard Steffens	(University of Erlangen-Nürnberg)
Michael Winn	(CNRS, Saclay, LHCb)

Other groups from EU and US have informally expressed their interest in the project!

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[Dunnen et al., PRL 112, 212001]



$$\Phi_g^{\mu\nu}(x, k_T, \zeta, \mu) \equiv \int \frac{d(\xi \cdot P) d^2 \xi_T}{(xP \cdot n)^2 (2\pi)^3} e^{i(xP + k_T) \cdot \xi} \times \langle P | F_a^{n\nu}(0) \left(\mathcal{U}_{[0, \xi]}^{n[-]} \right)_{ab} F_b^{n\mu}(\xi) | P \rangle |_{\xi \cdot P = 0}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2x} \left\{ g_T^{\mu\nu} f_1^g - \left(\frac{k_T^\mu k_T^\nu}{M_p^2} + g_T^{\mu\nu} \frac{k_T^2}{2M_p^2} \right) h_1^{\perp g} \right\}$$

Unpol. gluon distrib. function

Linearly pol. gluon distrib. function (requires non-zero gluon p_T)

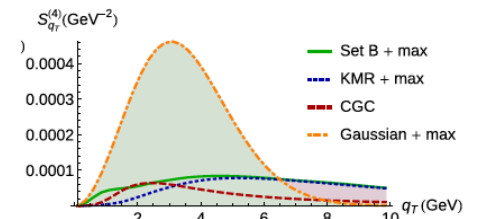
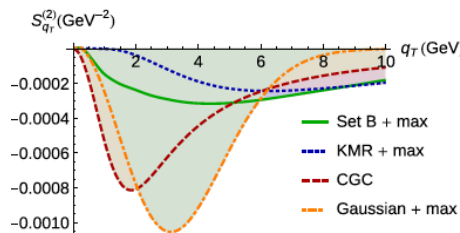
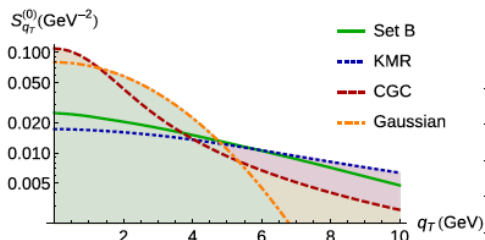
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dQ dY d^2 q_T d\Omega} = \frac{C_0(Q^2 - M_Q^2)}{s Q^3 D} \left\{ F_1 C[f_1^g f_1^g] + F_3 \cos(2\phi) \times C[w_3 f_1^g h_1^{\perp g} + x_1 \leftrightarrow x_2] + F_4 \cos(4\phi) \times C[w_4 h_1^{\perp g} h_1^{\perp g}] \right\} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{q_T^2}{Q^2}\right)$$

$$S_{q_T}^{(0)} = \frac{C[f_1^g f_1^g]}{\int dq_T^2 C[f_1^g f_1^g]}$$

$$S_{q_T}^{(n)} \equiv \frac{\int d\phi \cos(n\phi) \frac{d\sigma}{dQ dY d^2 q_T d\Omega}}{\int dq_T^2 \int d\phi \frac{d\sigma}{dQ dY d^2 q_T d\Omega}}$$

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STSAs in pp collisions

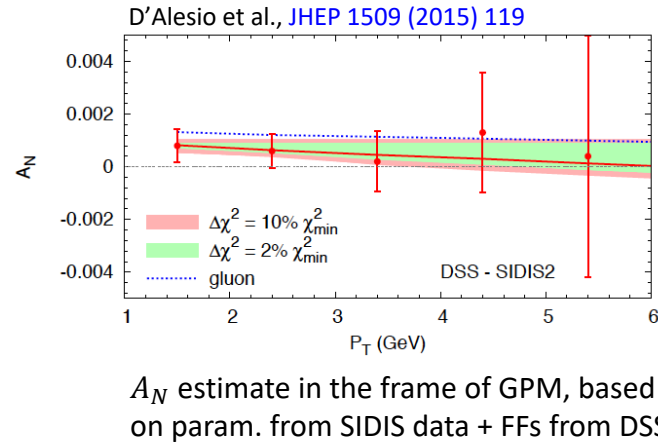
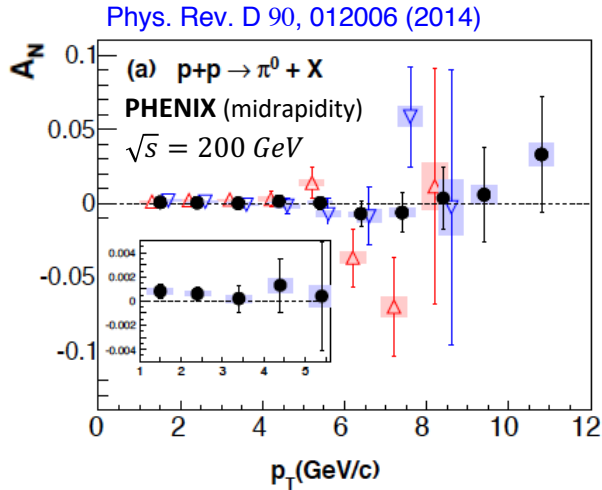
Collinear (twist-3) approach: (Efremov-Taryaev, Qiu-Sterman, Kanazawa-Koike)

- based on collinear QCD factorization (1 hard scale: works for $p_T, Q \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$)
- SSAs arise from interference between partonic amplitudes (3-parton correlators) generated by gluon exchange with IS or FS hadron

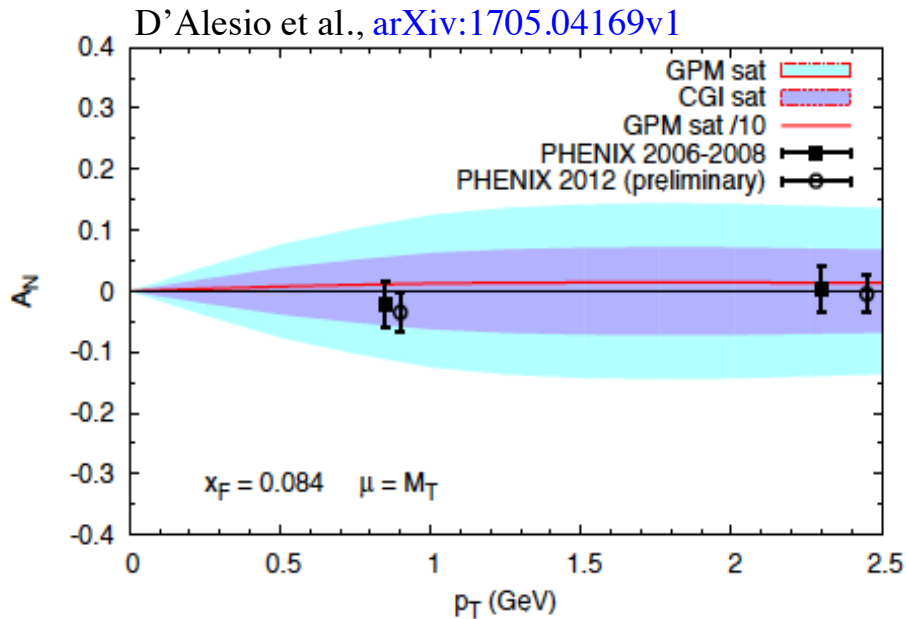
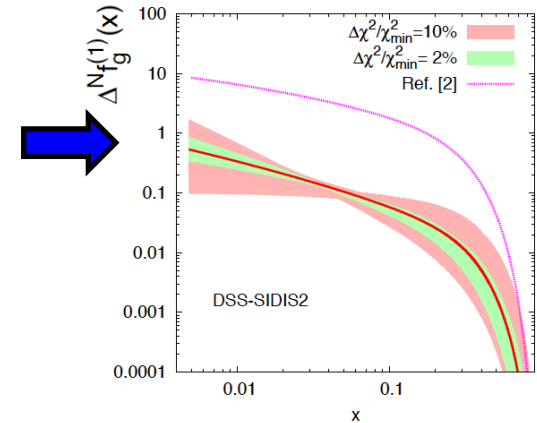
Non-collinear (leading-twist) approach: (Anselmino, Boglione et al.)

- involves TMD PDFs and FFs
 - works in the limit $p_T \ll Q$ (2 energy scales), but is not supported by TMD factorization
 - can be considered as an effective model description (**Generalized Parton Model**)
 - SSAs arise mainly from **Sivers effects**
- **The two approaches correspond exactly** in the overlap region $\Lambda_{QCD} \ll p_T \ll Q$ (proved for SSAs in Drell-Yan: Ji, Qiu, Vogelsang, Yuan, PRL, 2006)
- ...very little is presently known about **tri-gluon correlation functions** and **polarized gluon TMDs!**

Probing the GSF (from RHIC data)

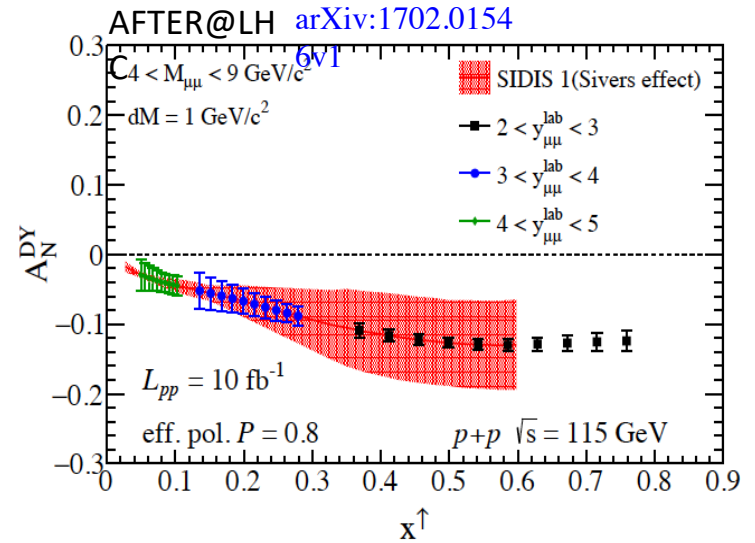
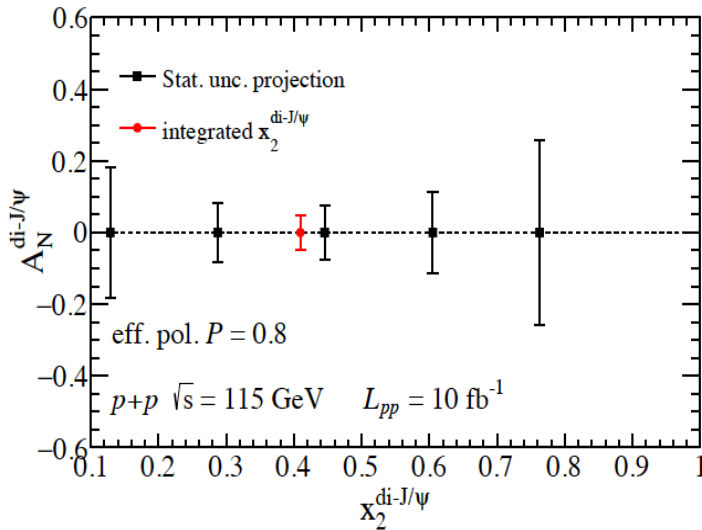
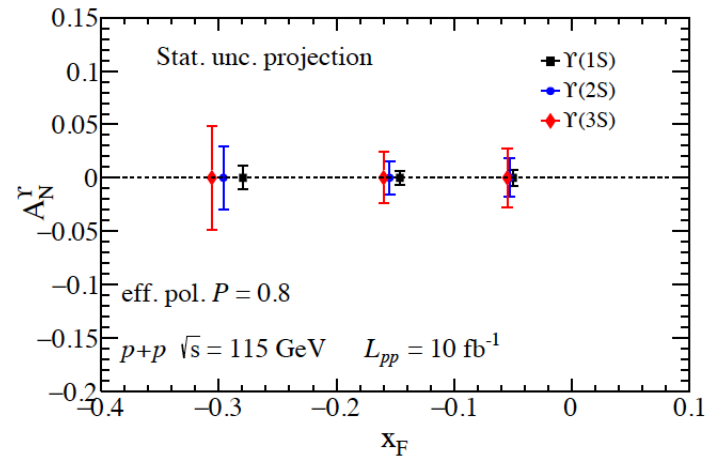
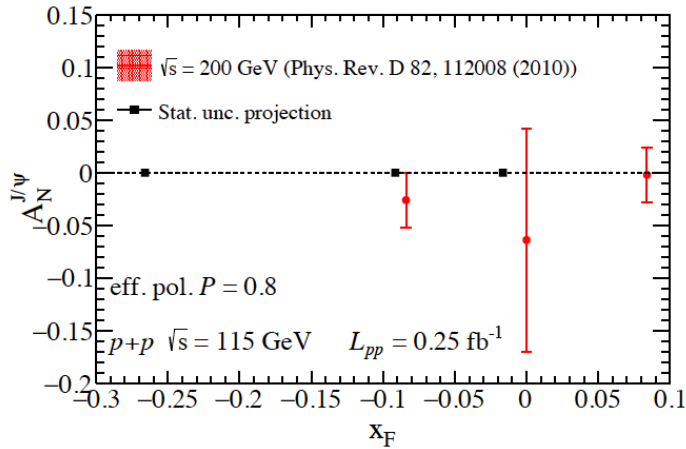


First k_{\perp} -moment of the gluon Sivers function (small positive)



- Existing quarkonia results only from PHENIX
- First measurement of A_N for $pp^{\uparrow} \rightarrow J/\psi X$
- Sensitive to f-type gluon Sivers function
- A very recent prediction of A_N from Color-Gauge Invariant GPM (**CGI-GPM**): takes into account the process dependence of the GSF

(projected results from **AFTER@LHC** [arXiv:1702.01546v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.01546v1))



Main reactions of interest

➤ $pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow \eta_c + X$ ($pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow \chi_{c,b} + X$)

➤ $pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow J/\psi + X$

➤ $pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow \Upsilon + X$

➤ $pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow J/\psi + J/\psi + X$

➤ $pp^{(\uparrow)} \rightarrow J/\psi + \gamma + X$

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☛ Pol and unpol gluon PDFs

➤ $pp \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- + X$ ($pp \rightarrow e^+e^- + X$)

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☛ momentum distrib. of sea quarks
& unpolarized TMDs of valence and sea quarks

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☛ TMDs of valence and sea quarks

➤ pA, PbA ($A = He, Ne, Ar, Kr, \dots$)

☛ Nuclear matter effects, QGP, etc

We warmly encourage our theory colleagues to propose new physics cases and new reactions of interest for LHCSpin!

There is some room beyond the VELO...

