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SIDIS Pion Beam Spin Asymmetries with CLAS12 at 10.6 GeV

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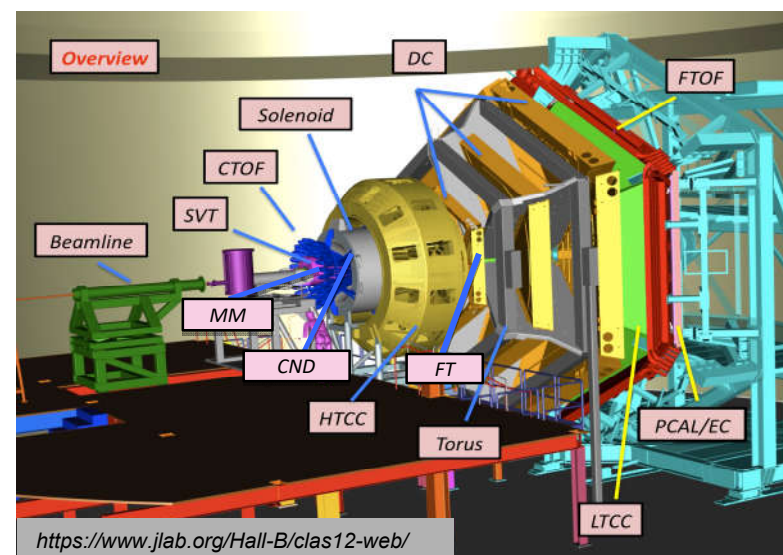
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Overview and Introduction

- Physics motivation
- Analysis procedure
- Multidimensional binning
- Comparison to CLAS and HERMES

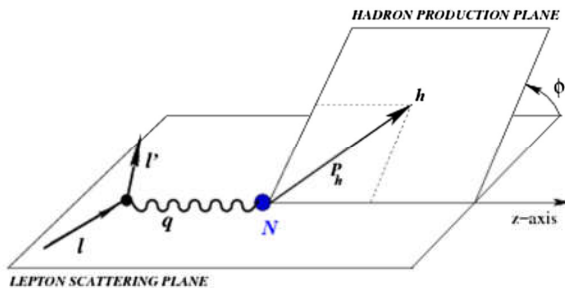


- ➔ Data recorded with CLAS12 during spring of 2018
- ➔ Analysed data $< 2\%$ of approved RG-A beamtime
- ➔ 10.6 GeV electron beam
- ➔ 85 % average longit. polarization
- ➔ liquid hydrogen target



Physics Motivation

- The 3D nucleon structure in momentum space can be described by TMDs
- A way to access these properties is the semi inclusive deep inelastic scattering



The SIDIS cross section for an unpolarized target:

→ Contains model independent structure functions

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx_B dQ^2 dz d\phi_h dp_{h\perp}^2} = K(x, y, Q^2) \left\{ F_{UU,T} + \varepsilon F_{UU,L} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \cos\phi_h F_{UU}^{\cos\phi_h} + \varepsilon \cos(2\phi_h) F_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi_h} + \lambda_e \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \sin\phi_h \underline{F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h}} \right\}$$

$$F_{LU}^{\sin\phi} = \frac{2M}{Q} \mathcal{C} \left(-\frac{\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \mathbf{k}_T}{M_h} \left(x \overset{\text{twist-3 pdf}}{\underset{\text{Collins FF}}{eH_1^\perp}} + \frac{M_h}{M} \overset{\text{unpolarized dist. function}}{f_1} \frac{\tilde{G}^\perp}{z} \right) + \frac{\hat{\mathbf{h}} \cdot \mathbf{p}_T}{M} \left(x \overset{\text{twist-3 t-odd dist. function}}{g^\perp} D_1 + \frac{M_h}{M} \overset{\text{Boer-Mulders}}{h_1^\perp} \frac{\tilde{E}}{z} \right) \right)$$

twist-3 pdf
Collins FF
unpolarized dist. function
twist-3 FF
twist-3 t-odd dist. function
Boer-Mulders
twist-3 FF

⇒ **Twist 3 component in every term**

Physics Motivation

In a simplified way, it can be expressed as:

$$d\sigma = d\sigma_0 (1 + A_{UU}^{\cos\phi} \cos\phi + A_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi} \cos 2\phi + \lambda_e A_{LU}^{\sin\phi} \sin\phi)$$

where the moments $A_{UU}^{\cos\phi}$, $A_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi}$, $A_{LU}^{\sin\phi}$ are directly related to the structure functions of the cross section

Focus of this study: $A_{LU}^{\sin\phi}$

- Only moment which depends on the beam helicity
- Helicity dependence arises from the asymmetric part of the leptonic tensor and its coupling to the hadronic tensor
- Directly correlated with the structure function $F_{LU}^{\sin\phi}$
- ➔ Provides information about the quark gluon correlations in the proton

Physics Motivation and Extraction

- BSA is a good tool to extract $A_{LU}^{\sin \phi}$

$$BSA = \frac{d\sigma^+ - d\sigma^-}{d\sigma^+ + d\sigma^-} = \frac{A_{LU}^{\sin \phi} \sin \phi}{1 + A_{UU}^{\cos \phi} \cos \phi + A_{UU}^{\cos(2\phi)} \cos(2\phi)}$$

→ Helicity independent acceptance terms cancel out in the ratio!

Past: Measurements have been performed with CLAS, HERMES and COMPASS

Advantages of CLAS12:

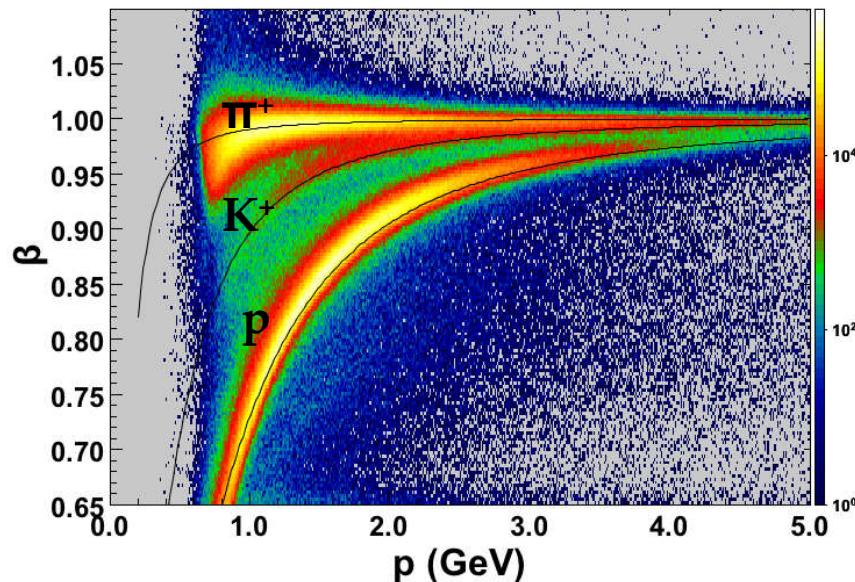
- Significantly higher statistics
- Extended kinematic coverage (Q^2 , P_T)

Particle ID

Electron ID → Based on the electromagnetic calorimeter and the cherenkov counters

Hadron ID

- Charge corresponding to the selected hadron
- Fiducial cuts on the hit position in the drift chambers
- Particle selection based on β vs p correlation



→ **Maximum likelihood particle ID**

$$P(\beta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\beta - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right)$$

- Assign particle to species with the highest probability
- Check if particle is within a certain confidence level

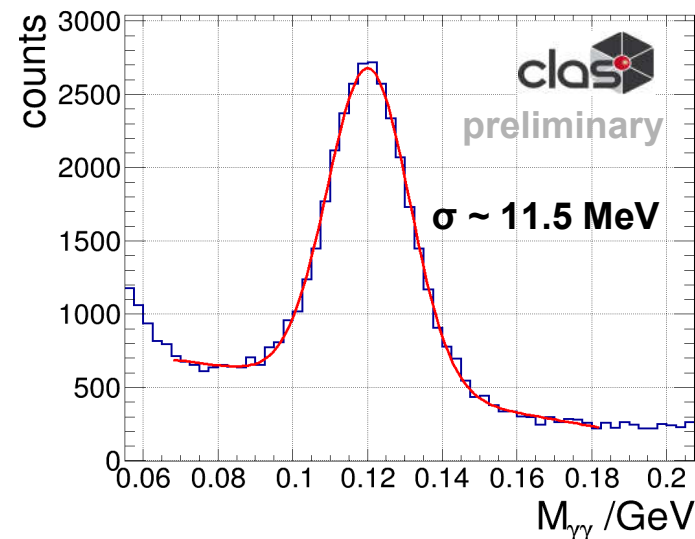
➔ Provides a cleaner particle ID for inclusive measurements

Event selection and kinematic cuts

π^0 selection:

$E_\gamma > 0.6$ GeV, all 2γ pairs

SIDIS simulations show:
background dominated by SIDIS π^0
→ 3σ cut around the peak positions



Kinematic cuts for all pions:

minimal electron energy: 2.0 GeV minimal pion energy: 1.5 GeV

DIS cut: $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ $W > 2 \text{ GeV}$

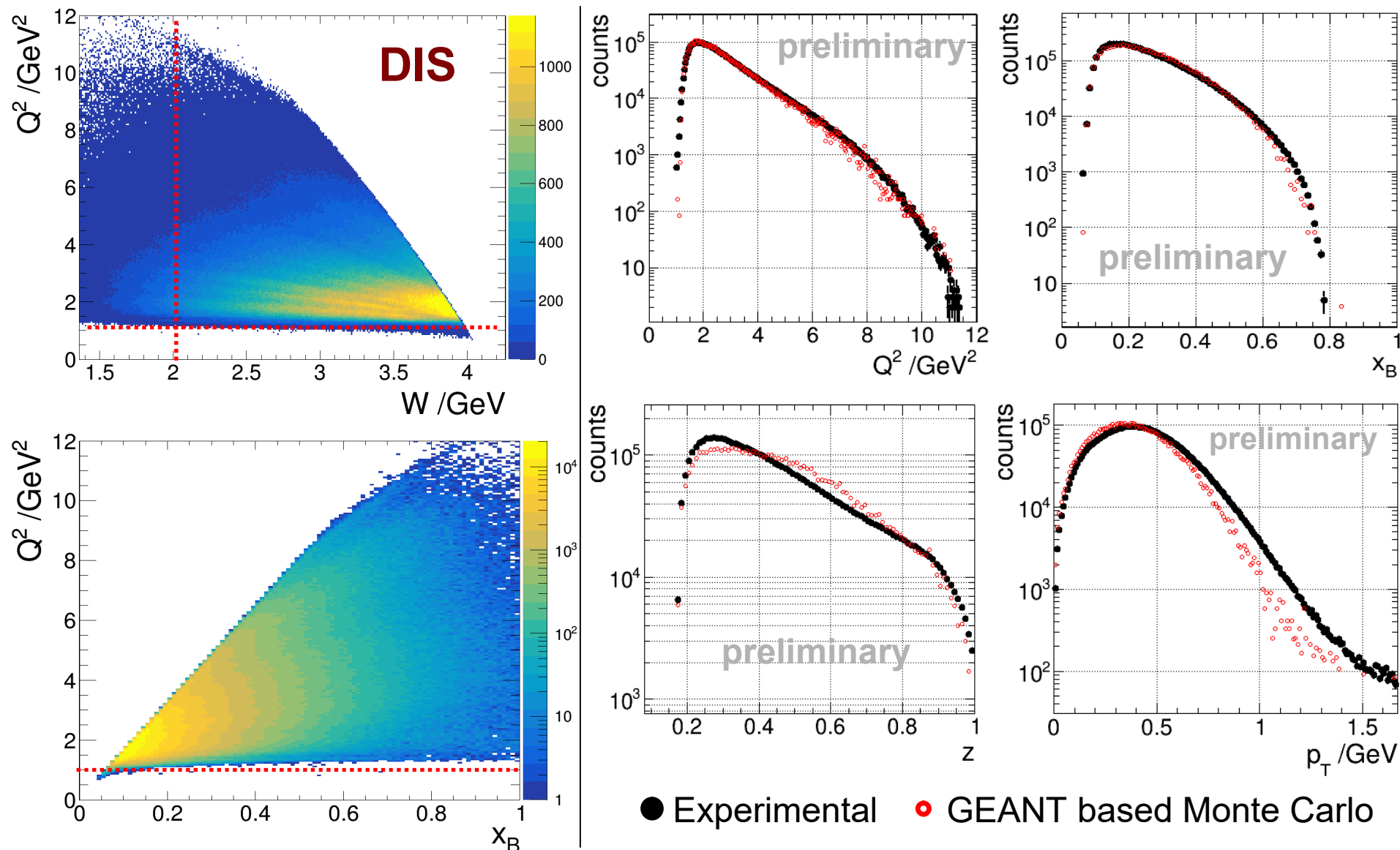
Additionally: Cut on the final state hadron momentum fraction z

$$0.3 < z < 0.7$$

→ $z > 0.3$ removes the "target fragmentation region"

→ $z < 0.7$ removes contamination by pions from exclusive channels

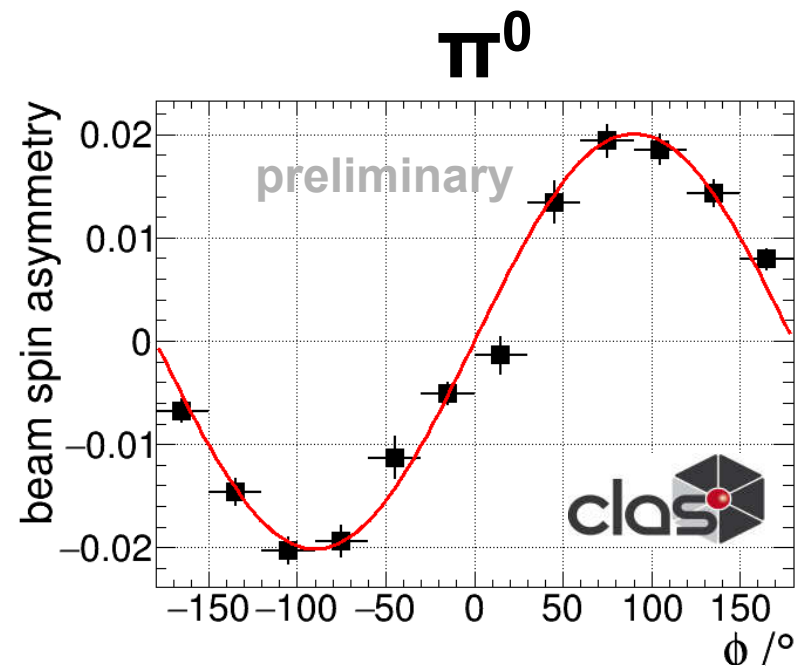
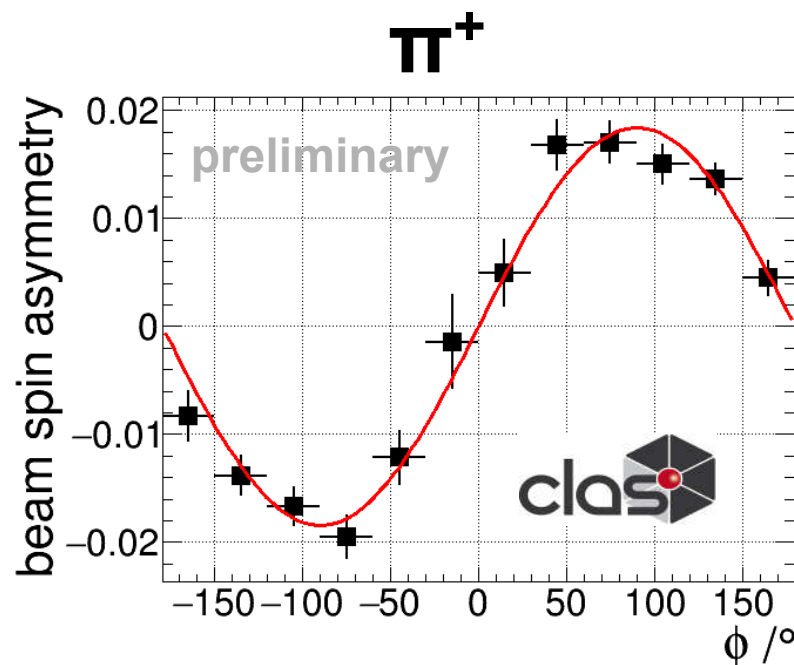
Kinematic coverage for π^+ (similar for π^- and π^0)



Integrated beam spin asymmetry

$$BSA_i = \frac{1}{P_e} \cdot \frac{N_i^+ - N_i^-}{N_i^+ + N_i^-}$$

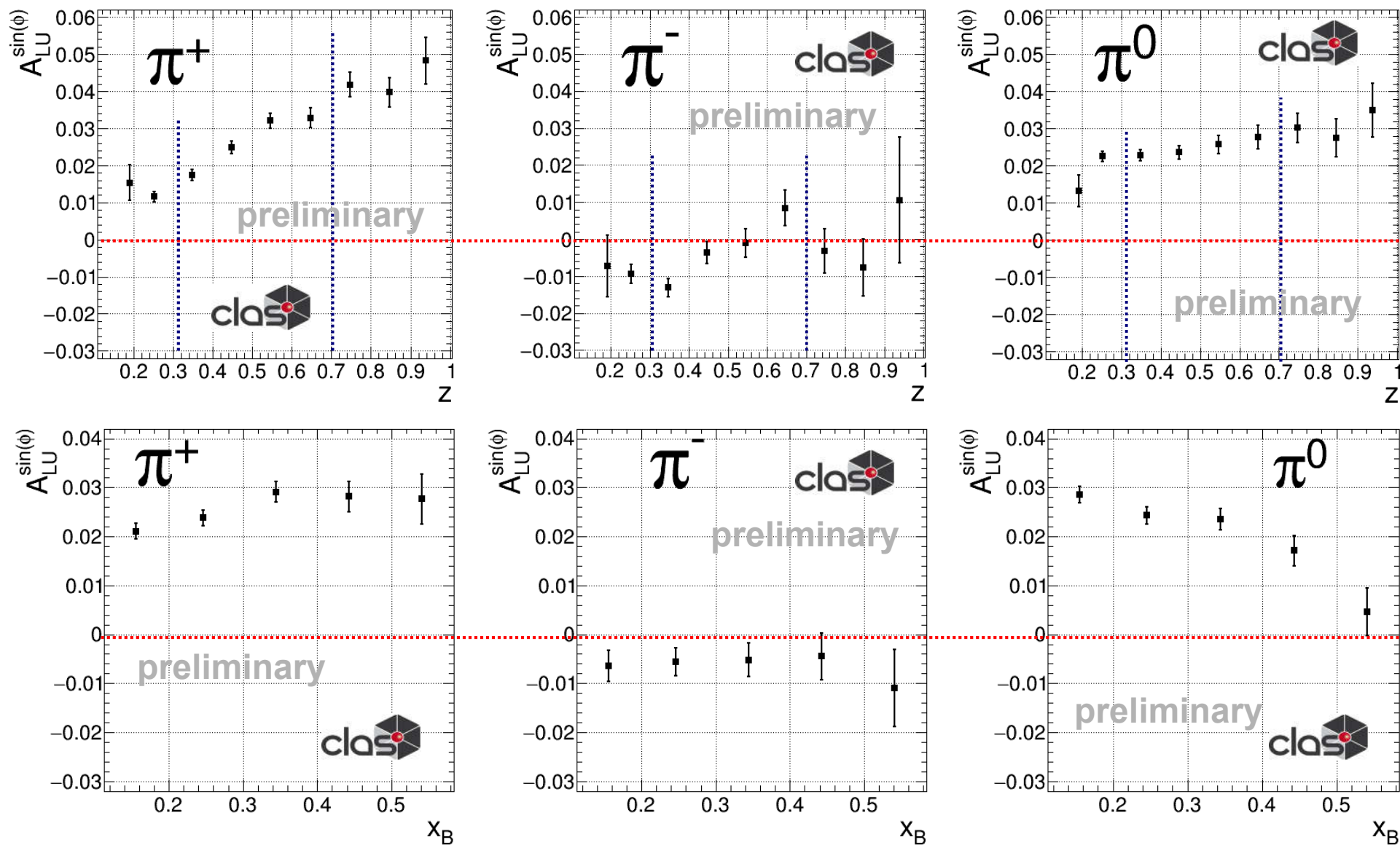
$P_e = 85\%$: average e⁻ beam polarisation



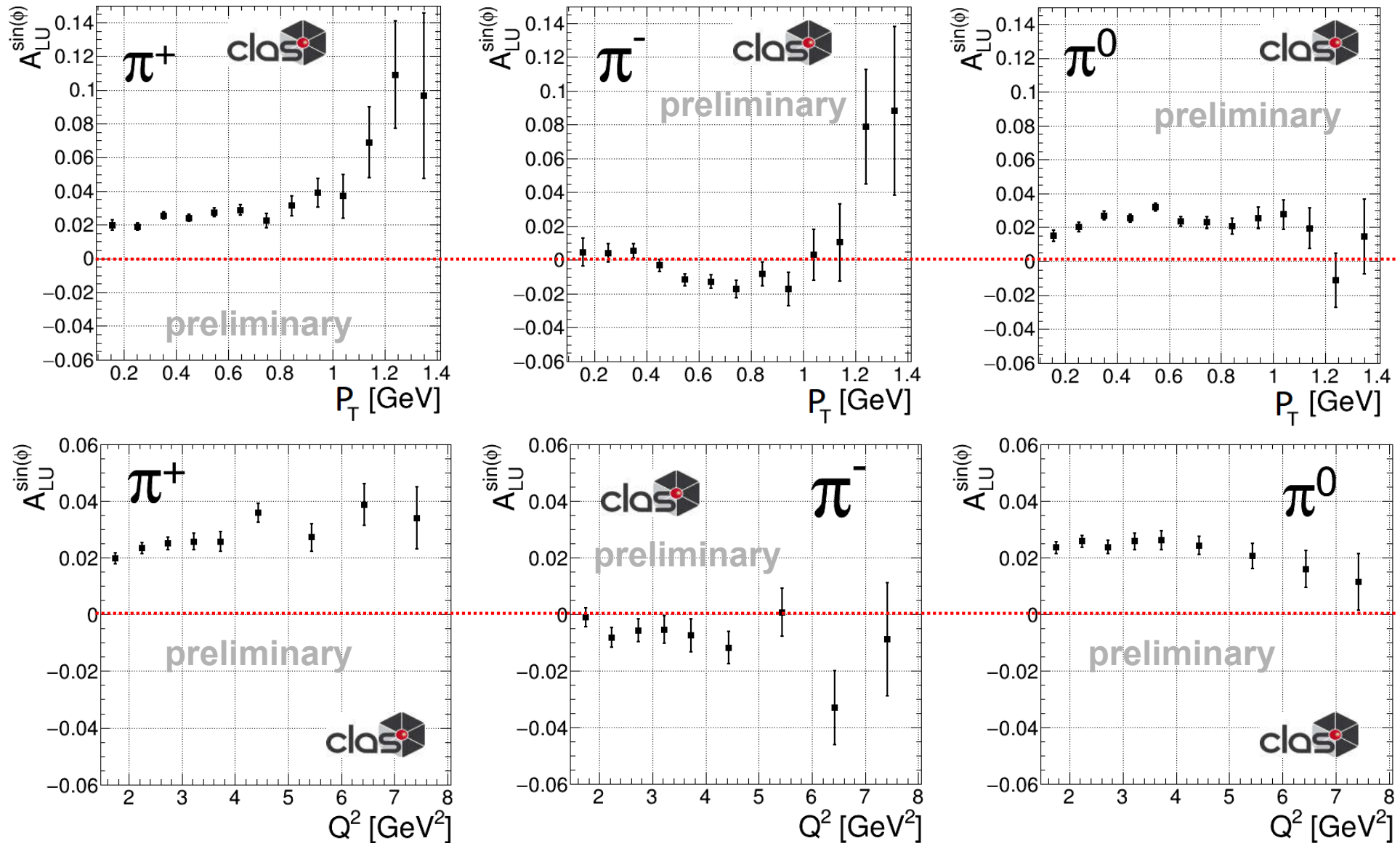
- ➔ Clear sinoid shape can be observed, according to
- ➔ No systematics, no kinematic binning

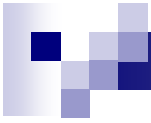
$$A_{LU}^{\sin \varphi} \sin \varphi$$

$A_{LU}^{\sin(\phi)}$ for a z and x_B binning



$A_{LU}^{\sin(\phi)}$ for a p_T and Q^2 binning





The figures on multidimensional binning and the comparison to other experiments (slides 11 -23) are not officially approved by the collaboration yet, and therefore not available online.

Conclusion and Outlook

- CLAS12 enables the extraction of SIDIS pion BSA moments with high accuracy in an extended kinematic range
- Qualitative agreement with previous experiments
- The presented analysis is based on only close to 2 % of the approved RG-A beamtime
- 20 % of RG-A will be available in a few month
 - The behaviour at large Q^2 and P_T values will be studied
 - Systematic effects will be investigated