

Accessing the nucleon structure in unpolarized SIDIS at COMPASS

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Introduction



Semi-Inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering (SIDIS) is a powerful tool to access the rich and complex structure of the nucleon.

Depending on the nucleon polarization, several (TMD)-PDFs can be accessed

In this talk: focus on the SIDIS off unpolarized nucleons

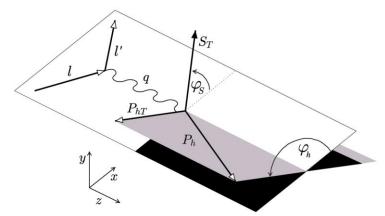
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U unpolarized	$f_1^q(x,k_T^2)$ number density		$h_1^{\perp q}(x,k_T^2)$ Boer-Mulders
L longitudinally polarized		$g_1^q(x,k_T^2)$ helicity	$h_{1L}^{\perp q}(x,k_T^2)$ Kotzinian-Mulders worm-gear L
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The Gamma Nucleon System (GNS)

Bacchetta et al., JHEP 02 (2007) 093

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^5 \sigma}{\mathrm{d}x \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}z \, \mathrm{d}\varphi_h \mathrm{d}P_T^2} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{xyQ^2} \frac{y^2}{2(1-\varepsilon)} \left(1 + \frac{\gamma^2}{2x}\right)$$

$$\cdot \left(F_{UU,T} + \varepsilon F_{UU,L} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} F_{UU}^{\cos\varphi_h} \cos\varphi_h + \varepsilon F_{UU}^{\cos2\varphi_h} \cos2\varphi_h + \lambda_l \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} F_{LU}^{\sin\varphi_h} \sin\varphi_h \right)$$

- *x* is the Bjorken variable
- Q^2 the photon virtuality
- $\gamma = \frac{2Mx}{Q}$ (small in COMPASS kinematics)
- $y = 1 \frac{E_{\ell'}}{E_{\ell}}$ the inelasticity with $E_{\ell'}$ the energy of the incoming (scattered) lepton in the target rest frame
- $\varepsilon(y) = \frac{1 y \frac{1}{4}\gamma^2 y^2}{1 y + \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{4}\gamma^2 y^2}$

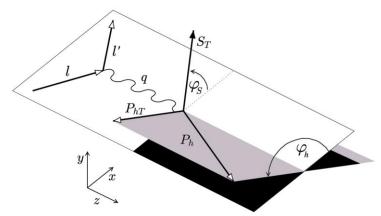
- λ_l is the beam polarization.
- z is the fraction of photon energy carried by the hadron
- φ_h its azimuthal angle in the Gamma Nucleon System
- P_T its transverse momentum w.r.t. the photon

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The structure functions $F_{XY[,Z]}^{[f(\varphi_h)]}$ can be written in terms of

- TMD Parton Distributions Functions (PDFs)
- TMD Fragmentation Functions (FFs).

Unpolarized structure functions



Unpolarized SIDIS \rightarrow access to the **number density TMD** and to the **Boer-Mulders TMD** h_1^{\perp}

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U unpolarized	$ \begin{pmatrix} f_1^q(x, k_T^2) \\ \text{number} \\ \text{density} \end{pmatrix} $		$h_1^{\perp q}(x,k_T^2)$ Boer-Mulders

The correlation between k_T and s_T generates a neat transverse polarization

Boer-Mulders function h_1^{\perp} couples to the **Collins FF** H_1^{\perp} : fragmentation of a transversely polarized quarks into hadron

Up to order 1/Q (i.e. at twist-3) in Wandzura-Wilczek approximation *:

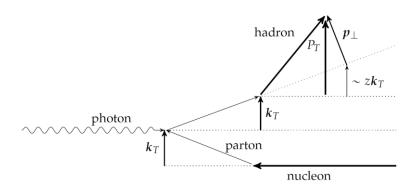
$$F_{UU,T} = \mathcal{C}[f_1D_1]$$

$$Cahn\,effect \quad Boer\text{-Mulders}\,term$$

$$F_{UU}^{\cos\varphi_h} = \frac{2M}{Q}\mathcal{C}\left[-\frac{(\widehat{h}\cdot\vec{k_T})}{M}f_1D_1 - \frac{(\widehat{h}\cdot\vec{p_\perp})k_T^2}{zM^2M_h}h_1^\perp H_1^\perp + \cdots\right]$$

$$F_{UU}^{\cos2\varphi_h} = \mathcal{C}\left[-\frac{2(\widehat{h}\cdot\vec{k_T})(\widehat{h}\cdot\vec{p_\perp}) - \vec{k_T}\cdot\vec{p_\perp}}{zM\,M_h}h_1^\perp H_1^\perp\right]$$

$$Boer\text{-Mulders}\,term$$



where C[wfD] is the convolution over the unobservable transverse momenta:

$$\mathcal{C}[wfD] = x \sum_{a} e_{a}^{2} \int d^{2} \vec{k}_{T} \int d^{2} \vec{p}_{\perp} \delta^{2} (\vec{P}_{T} - \vec{k}_{T} - \vec{p}_{\perp}) w(\vec{k}_{T}, \vec{p}_{\perp}) f^{a}(x, \vec{k}_{T}) D^{a}(z, \vec{p}_{\perp})$$

$$\hat{h} = \overrightarrow{P}_{T} / |\overrightarrow{P}_{T}|$$

^{*} possible further contributions at high *z* from the *Berger-Brodsky* mechanism Brandenburg et al., *Phys.Lett.B* 347 (1995) 413-418

Unpolarized structure functions



Gaussian Ansatz → the TMD PDFs and FFs factorize as:

$$f_1^q(x, k_T^2) = f_1^q(x) \frac{e^{-\frac{k_T^2}{\langle k_{T,q}^2 \rangle}}}{\pi \langle k_{T,q}^2 \rangle} \qquad \qquad D_1^{h/q}(z, p_\perp^2) = D_1^{h/q}(z) \frac{e^{-\frac{p_\perp^2}{\langle p_{\perp,h/q}^2 \rangle}}}{\pi \langle p_{\perp,h/q}^2 \rangle}$$

from which, assuming flavour independence, it follows that e.g.

$$F_{UU,T} = x \sum_{q} e_q^2 f_1^q(x) D_1^{h/q}(z) \frac{e^{-\frac{P_T^2}{\langle P_T^2 \rangle}}}{\pi \langle P_T^2 \rangle}$$

 $\rightarrow P_T^2$ distributions

$$F_{UU\mid BM}^{\cos\varphi_{h}} = -\frac{2zP_{T}\langle k_{T}^{2}\rangle}{Q\langle P_{T}^{2}\rangle}F_{UU,T}$$

$$F_{UU\mid BM}^{\cos\varphi_{h}} = -\frac{2P_{T}\langle k_{T}^{2}\rangle\langle p_{\perp}^{2}\rangle}{zQMM_{h}\langle P_{T}^{2}\rangle^{3}}\left(\langle p_{\perp}^{2}\rangle\langle P_{T}^{2}\rangle + z^{2}\langle k_{T}^{2}\rangle\langle P_{T}^{2} - \langle P_{T}^{2}\rangle\right)\right)\frac{\sum_{q}xh_{1}^{\perp q}(x)H_{1}^{\perp}(z)}{\sum_{q}xf_{1}^{q}(x)D_{1}(z)}F_{UU,T}$$

$$\rightarrow Azimuthal asymmetries$$

$$F_{UU\mid BM}^{\cos2\varphi_{h}} = \frac{P_{T}^{2}\langle k_{T}^{2}\rangle\langle p_{\perp}^{2}\rangle}{MM_{h}\langle P_{T}^{2}\rangle^{2}}\frac{\sum_{q}xh_{1}^{\perp q}(x)H_{1}^{\perp}(z)}{\sum_{q}xf_{1}^{q}(x)D_{1}(z)}F_{UU,T}$$

Both sets of observables measured in COMPASS with an unpolarized proton target after similar measurements on deuteron EPJC 73 (2013) 2531

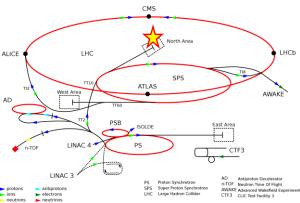
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The COMPASS experiment



COMPASS contribution to the understanding of the nucleon structure

- spin asymmetries with transverse and longitudinal spin polarization important results on the extraction of transversity and Sivers functions
- SIDIS with unpolarized target azimuthal asymmetries and P_T^2 -distributions on deuteron



COMPASS (COmmon Muon Proton Apparatus for Structure and Spectroscopy):

- 24 institutions from 13 countries (about 220 physicists)
- a fixed target experiment
- located in the CERN North Area, along the SPS M2 beamline

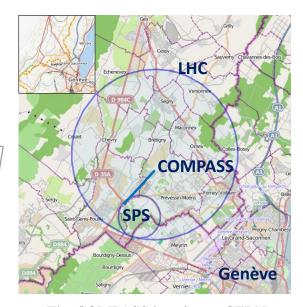
Broad research program:

- SIDIS with μ beam, with (un)polarized deuteron or proton target.
- Hadron spectroscopy with hadron beams and nuclear targets
- Drell-Yan measurement with π^- beam with polarized target
- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS)

• ...

A multipurpose apparatus:

- Two-stage spectrometer, about 330 detector planes
- μ identification, RICH, calorimetry



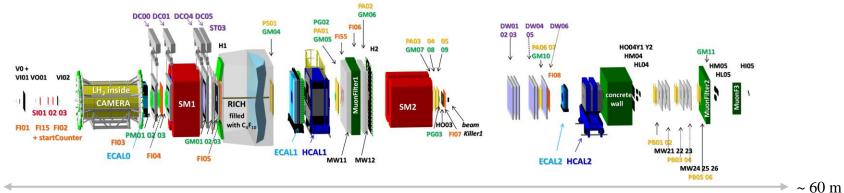
The COMPASS location at CERN

C. Riedl (GPDs)

and R. Longo (DY)

The 2016 COMPASS run





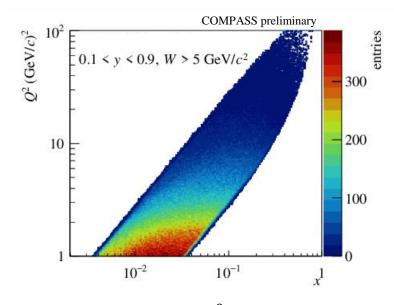
The 2016 COMPASS experimental setup

In 2016 (and 2017) the data-taking was dedicated to the measurement of Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering (DVCS).

In parallel, new SIDIS data have been collected in COMPASS, with:

- 160 GeV/c μ beam (μ^+ and μ^- with balanced statistics)
- Unpolarized, 2.5 m long liquid hydrogen target

Part of the data (\sim 11% of the available statistics) have been analyzed to measure unpolarized SIDIS observables \rightarrow ~ 6.5 million hadrons



The $x - Q^2$ coverage

List of the main results



Large set of results from the proton data: not all shown here!

P_T^2 -distributions

- For positive and negative hadrons in bins of x, Q^2 and z (4,2,4)
- Fits with single exponential, double exponential and Tsallis
- $\langle P_T^2 \rangle$ vs. z^2 as from the double exponential fit
- Fit of $\langle P_T^2 \rangle$ vs. z^2 in bins of x, Q^2 and z
- Distributions in q_T and q_T^2
- Distributions in 2 W bins + ratio high-over-low Q^2 + ratio high-over-low W
- Distributions in $4 Q^2$ bins

Azimuthal asymmetry $A_{UU}^{\cos\phi_h}$, $A_{UU}^{\cos2\phi_h}$ and $A_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h}$

- 1D: standard binning in x, z or P_T
- Also: low-z and high- P_T -- for completeness
- 1D standard + 4 bins in Q^2 --- new: interesting evolution of $A_{IIII}^{\cos\phi_h}$
- 1D standard + 2 bins in Q^2 and 2 bins in W
- 3D: standard binning (simultaneous in x, z and P_T)
- In addition to deuteron analysis: low-z bin

Contribution from exclusive hadrons



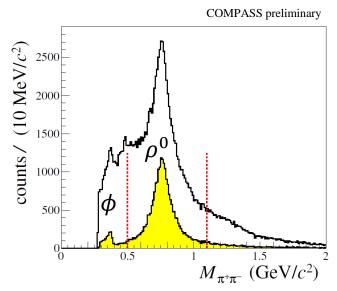
Hadrons from the decay of exclusive diffractive vector mesons (exclusive hadrons), very interesting per se, constitute a relevant source of background for the SIDIS measurement.

The two most important channels: $\rho^0 \to \pi^+\pi^-$ and $\phi \to K^+K^-$

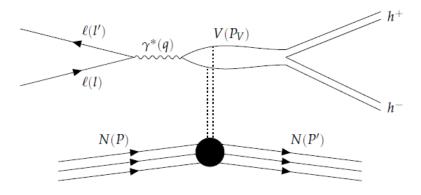
Well visible in the data at vanishing missing energy

$$E_{miss} = \frac{M_X^2 - M_p^2}{2M_p}$$

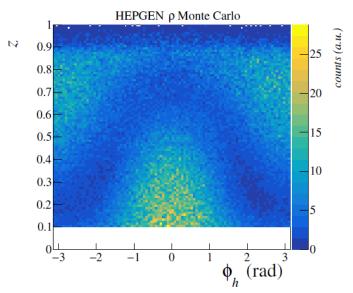
- Strong modulations in the azimuthal angle
- Contamination as high as 30% at high z



Invariant mass distribution in the data, before and after cutting in missing energy



The diffractive production of a vector meson *V* and its decay into a hadron pair



 $\phi_h - z$ correlation for exclusive hadrons

Impact on the azimuthal asymmetries measured on a deuteron target: COMPASS, Nucl. Phys. B 956 (2020) 115039

Transverse momentum distributions

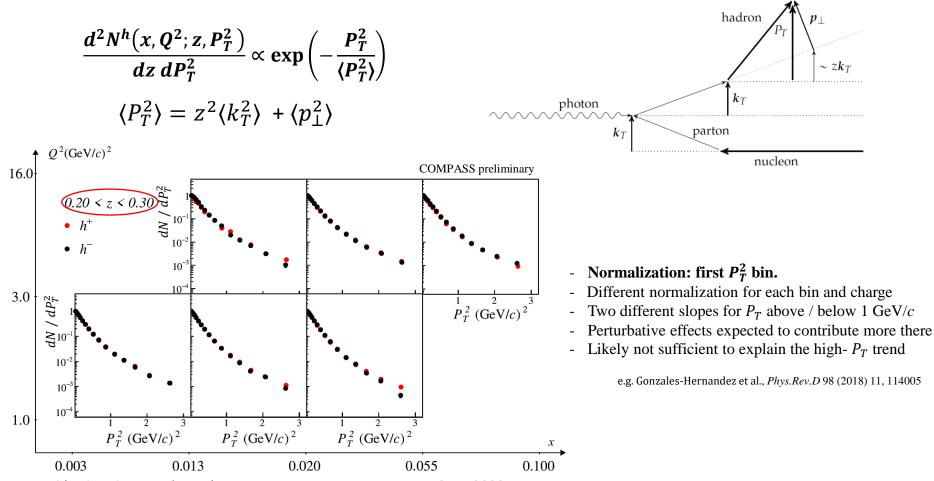
See also the talk by

A. Martin TMDs session II

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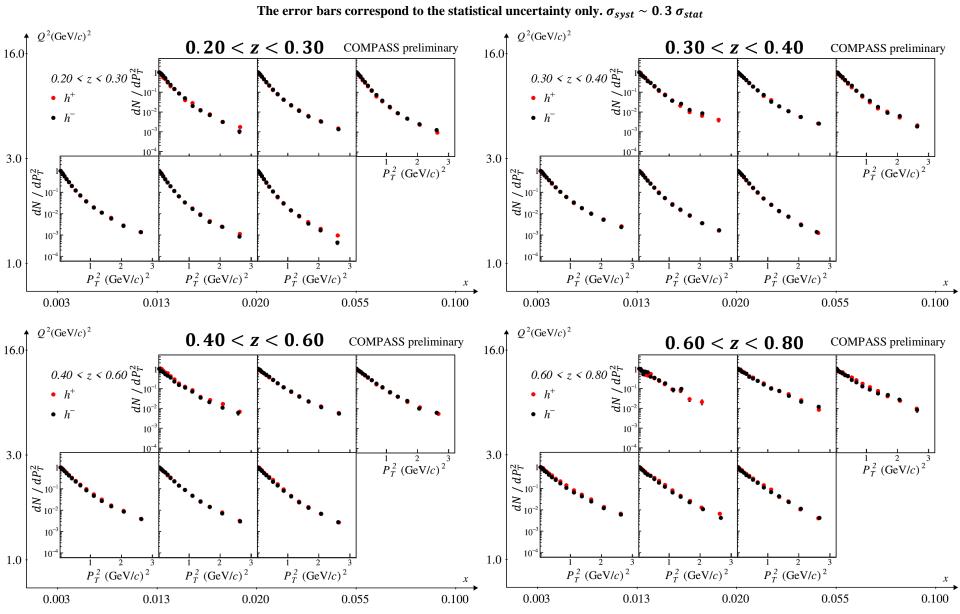
- give relevant information on k_T and p_{\perp}
- are interesting for the TMD evolution studies: a lot of theoretical work to reproduce the experimental distributions over a large energy range

In gaussian approximation, at small values of P_T , the number of hadrons is expected to follow:



Transverse momentum distributions





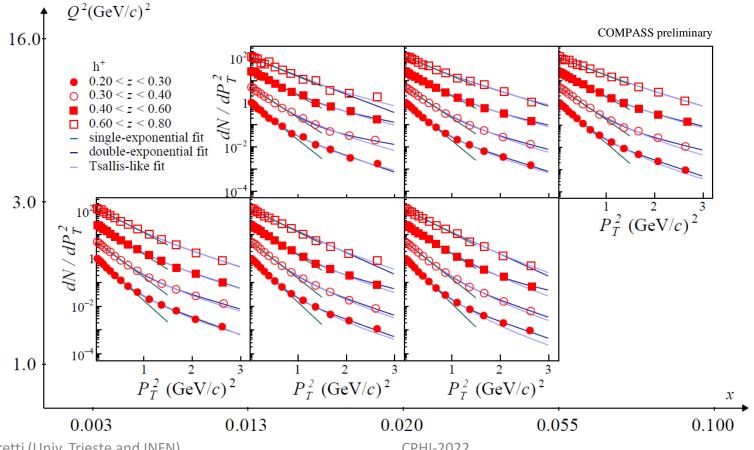
Fit of the P_T^2 - distributions



 P_T^2 – distributions fitted with three different functions:

- $f(x) = \alpha \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\beta}\right) \Longrightarrow \langle P_T^2 \rangle = \beta$ • a single-exponential up to 1 GeV/c:
- $g(x) = A \exp\left(-\frac{x}{a}\right) + B \exp\left(-\frac{x}{b}\right) \Longrightarrow \langle P_T^2 \rangle = \frac{Aa^2 + Bb^2}{Aa + Bb}$ • a double-exponential up to 3 GeV/c:
- a Tsallis-like power law up to 3 GeV/c: $h(x) = c_0(1+c_1x)^{-c_2} \Longrightarrow \langle P_T^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{c_1(c_2-2)}$

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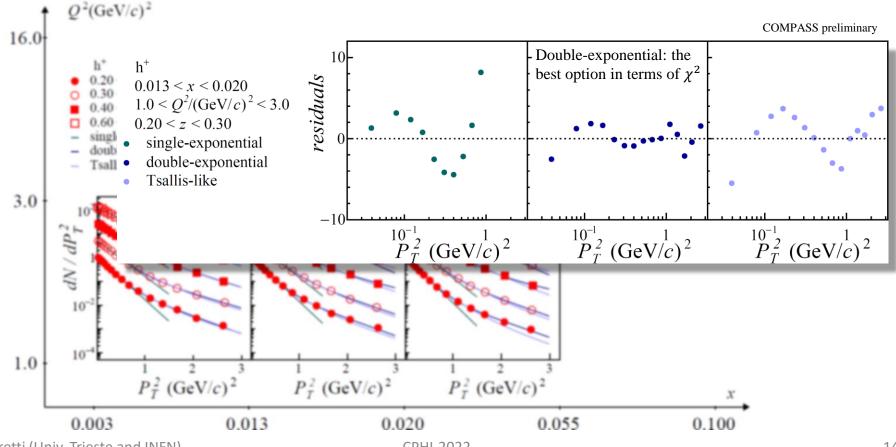
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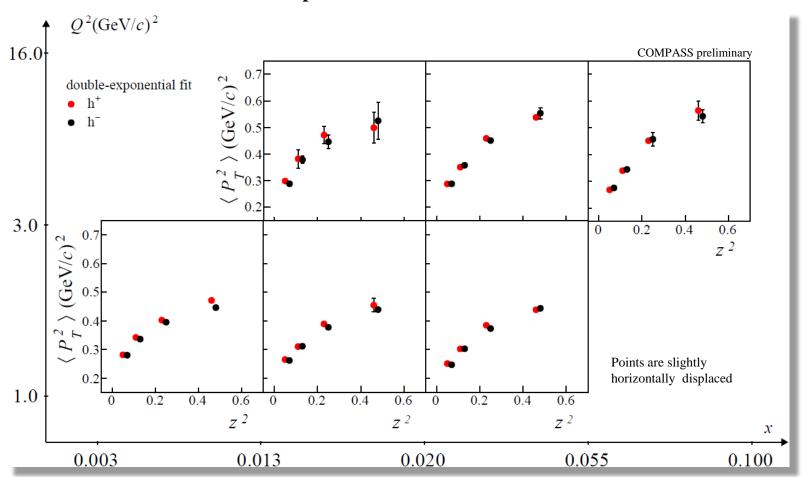
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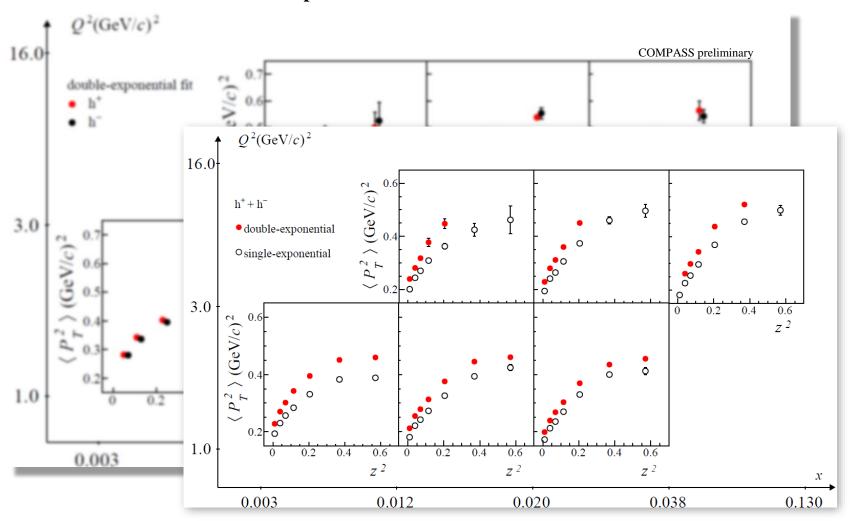


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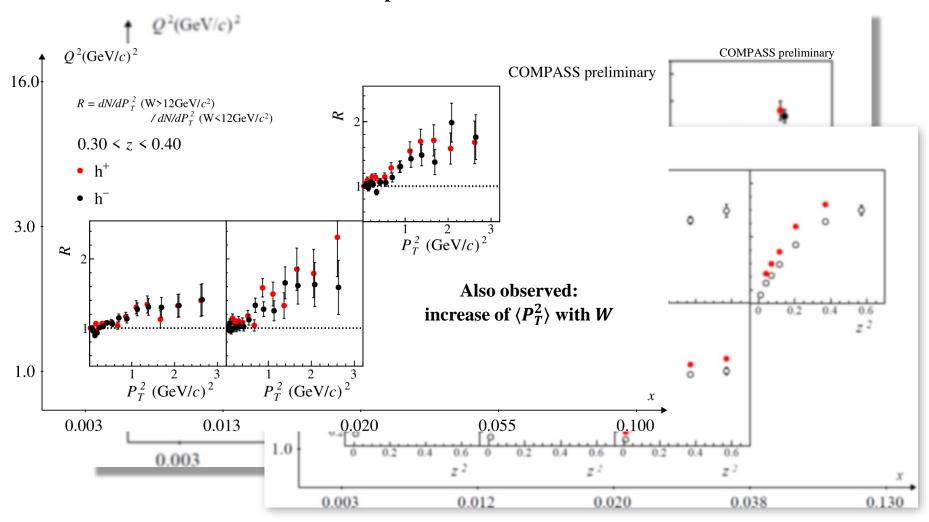
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Azimuthal asymmetries – 1D



Azimuthal asymmetries: defined as the following ratios

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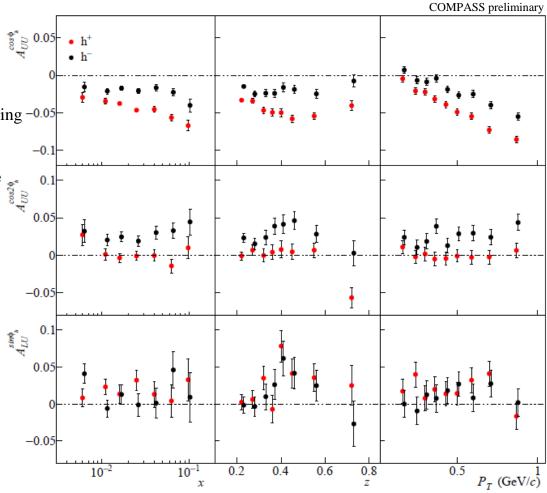
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$$A_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h} = \frac{F_{LU}^{\sin\phi_h}}{F_{UU,T}}$$

Steps in the measurement:

- Exclusive hadrons:
 - the visible component is discarded
 - the non-visible component is *subtracted* using -0.05 the HEPGEN Monte Carlo
- Acceptance correction

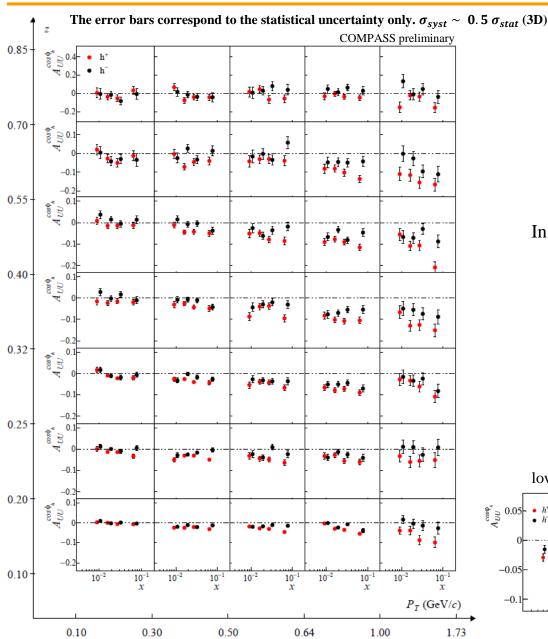
 Fit of the amplitude of the modulation in the hadrons
 - as a function of x, z or P_T (1D)
 - with a simultaneous binning (3D)
 - Strong kinematic dependences
 - Interesting differences between positive and negative hadrons, as observed in previous measurements by COMPASS on deuteron and by HERMES



The error bars correspond to the statistical uncertainty only. $\sigma_{syst} \sim \sigma_{stat}$ (1D)

Azimuthal asymmetries $-3D - A_{UU}^{\cos\phi_h}$





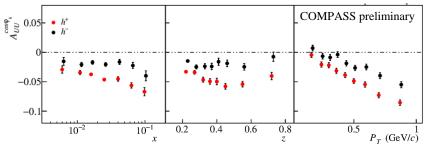
3D azimuthal asymmetries for positive and negative hadrons

Clear signal, strong dependence on P_T ; compatible with zero at high z. In agreement with COMPASS deuteron results.

Expectation from Cahn effect:

$$A_{UU|Cahn}^{\cos\phi_h} = -\frac{2zP_T\langle k_T^2\rangle}{Q\langle P_T^2\rangle}$$

Comparison with the 1D case: lowest z and highest P_T bin not included in the average

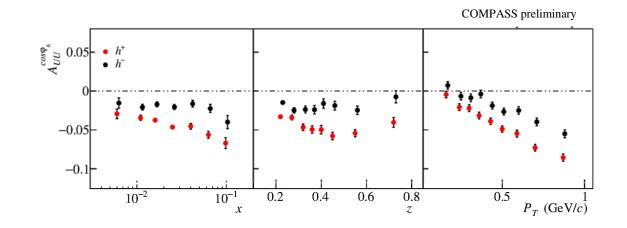


Extraction of $\langle k_T^2 \rangle$ from $A_{UU}^{\cos \phi_h}$

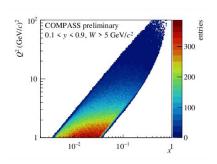


Extraction of $\langle k_T^2 \rangle$ from the 1D – asymmetry assuming only Cahn effect at work

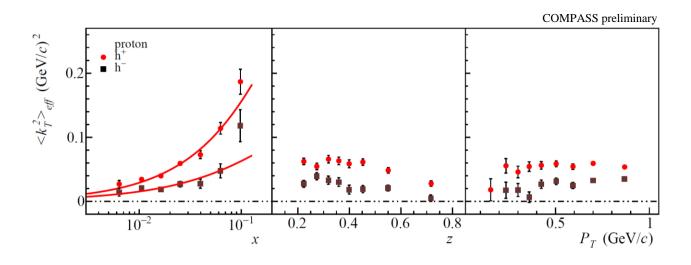
$$\langle k_T^2 \rangle_{eff} = -\frac{Q \langle P_T^2 \rangle A_{UU}^{\cos\phi_h}}{2zP_T}$$



Power-law fit of $\langle k_T^2 \rangle(x)$



Is it an x – or Q^2 – dependence (or both)?



Azimuthal asymmetries $-1D - Q^2$ dependence

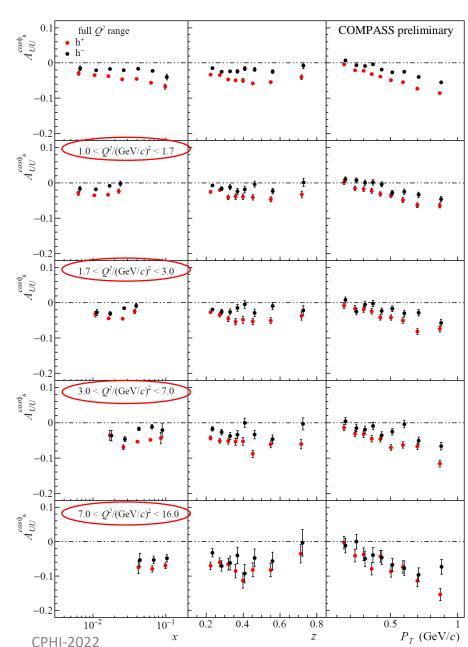


Binning in Q^2

- The $A_{UU}^{\cos\phi_h}$ asymmetry is observed to increase with Q^2
- Flavor-independent expectation from the Cahn effect:

$$A_{UU|Cahn}^{\cos\phi_h} = -\frac{2zP_T\langle k_T^2\rangle}{Q\langle P_T^2\rangle}$$

- \rightarrow A strong dependence of $\langle k_T^2 \rangle$ on Q^2 , the relevance of other terms in the asymmetry, radiative corrections
- The difference between positive and negative hadrons decreases with Q^2 .
- Almost no Q^2 dependence for $A_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi_h}$

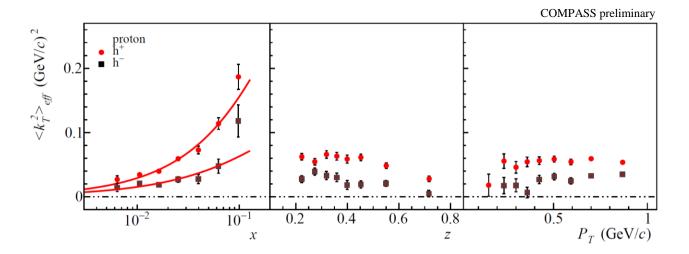


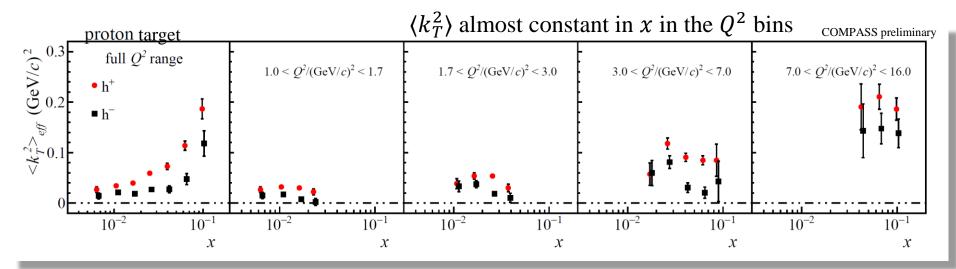
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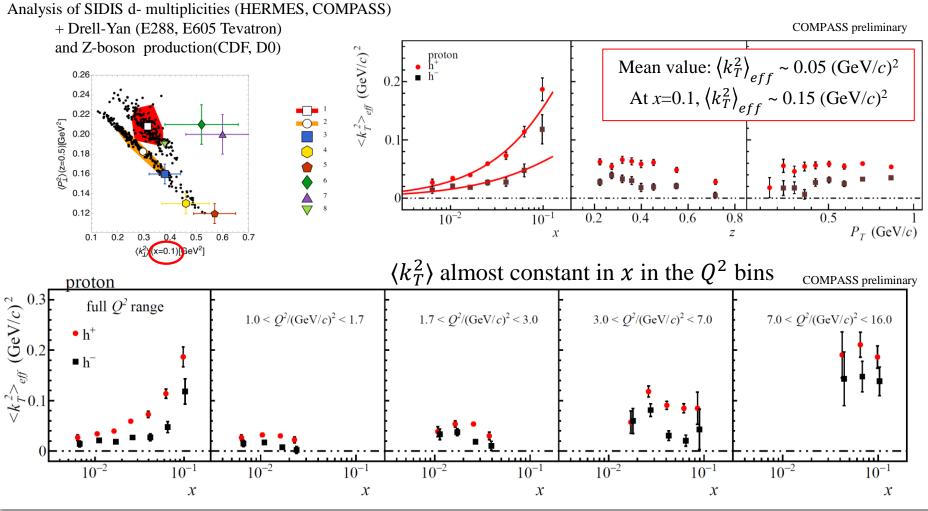
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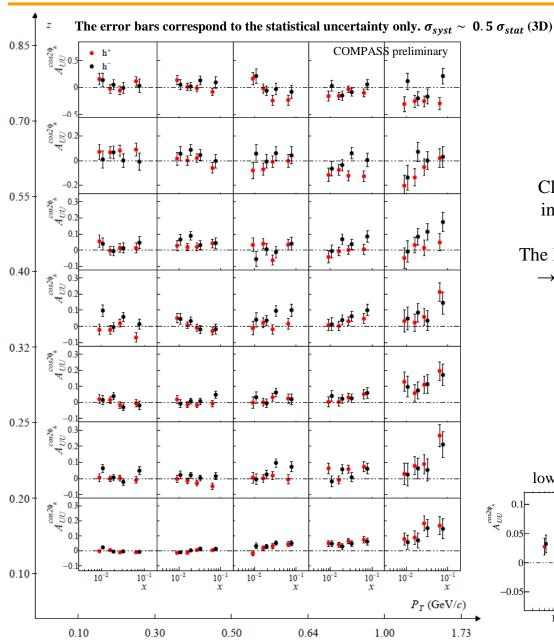
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Analysis of SIDIS d- multiplicities (HERMES, COMPASS)



Azimuthal asymmetries $-3D - A_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi_h}$





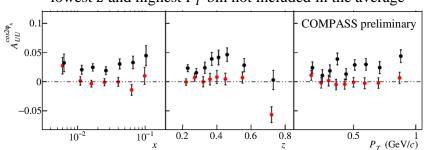
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3D azimuthal asymmetries for positive and negative hadrons

Clear signal, strong dependence on x and P_T ; interesting change of sign along z at high P_T .

The larger contribution from the $h_1^{\perp}H_1^{\perp}$ convolution \rightarrow direct information on h_1^{\perp} may be extracted

Comparison with the 1D case: lowest z and highest P_T bin not included in the average



Conclusions and Perspectives

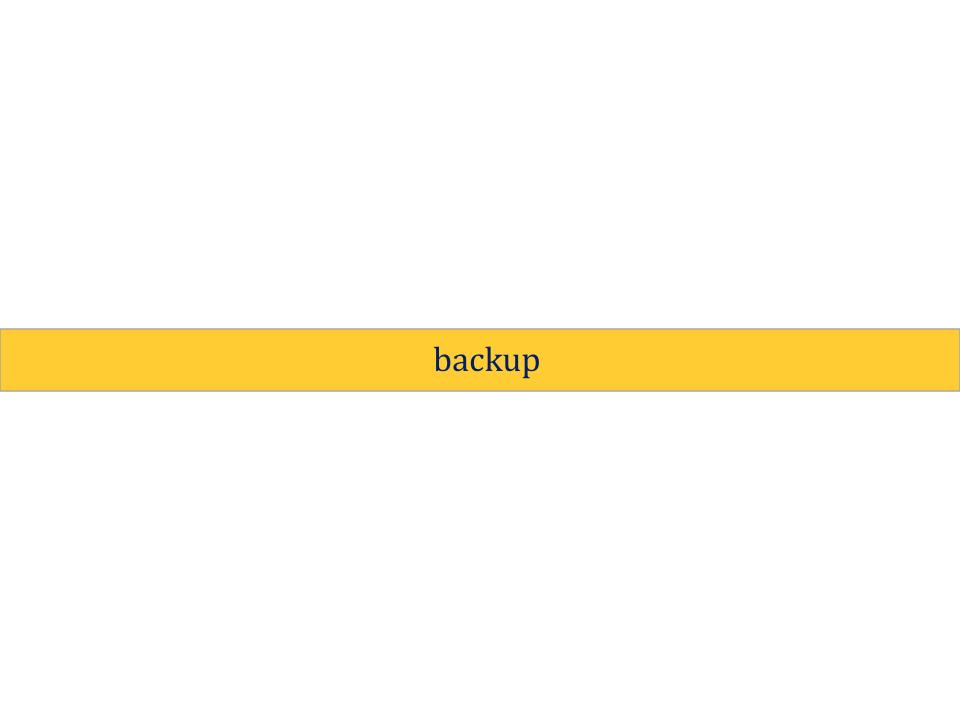


- Two sets of observables in unpolarized SIDIS are particularly interesting for the TMD physics: azimuthal asymmetries and transverse momentum distributions
- After the first measurements on a deuteron target, COMPASS has produced new results for both of them, using a proton target
- Intriguing investigations of their properties Not all shown here! Q^2 and W dependences, q_T distributions...
- Both sets of observables are interesting,
 rich kinematic dependences,
 difference between positive and negative hadrons
 → they deserve deeper studies.

Non-exhaustive list of interesting open points to be addressed

- Impact of radiative corrections may be relevant e.g. for the Q^2 dependence of the azimuthal asymmetries
- Impact of phase-space limitations in the generation of hadrons
- Role of vector mesons inclusively produced in SIDIS particularly for their contribution to the P_T^2 distributions at low P_T

Thank you



The 2016 COMPASS run

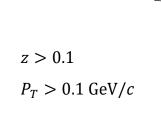


Events and hadron selection – standard

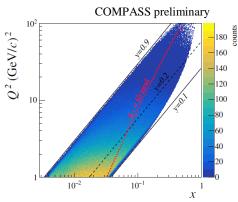
$$Q^2 > 1 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$$

$$W > 5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

 θ_{ν} < 60 mrad

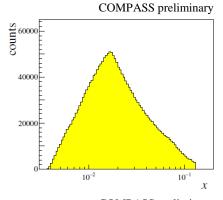


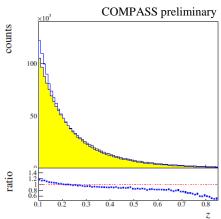
Size of the hadron sample: ~ 6.5 M hadrons

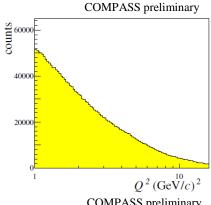


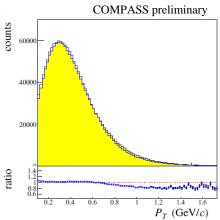
Comparison with the LEPTO Monte Carlo simulation.

Exclusive contribution at high z in the data



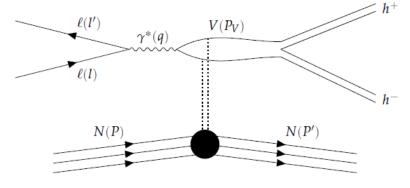




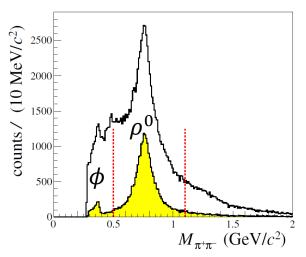


Contribution from exclusive hadrons

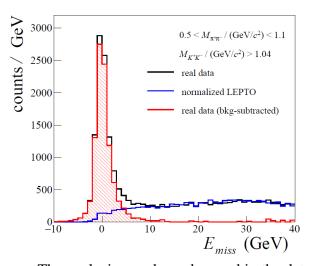
- The exclusive events fully reconstructed in the data are
 - 1) selected by cutting in missing energy E_{miss}
 - 2) used to normalized the HEPGEN Monte Carlo, needed to take into account the non-reconstructed part
 - 3) discarded
- The exclusive events non-fully reconstructed are subtracted using the normalized HEPGEN Monte Carlo
- This procedure does not require the knowledge of the absolute cross-section for the diffractive production, not well known (~ 30% relative uncertainty)



The diffractive production of a vector meson *V* and its decay into a hadron pair



Invariant mass distribution in the data, before and after cutting in missing energy



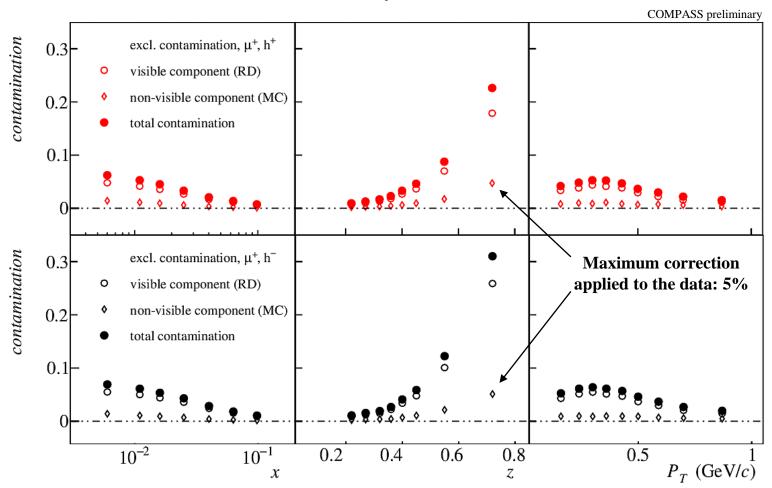
The exclusive peak as observed in the data

Contribution from exclusive hadrons



Estimated exclusive hadrons contaminations in the data:

~80% is fully reconstructed



Extraction of $\langle k_T^2 \rangle$ from $A_{UU}^{\cos \phi_h}$

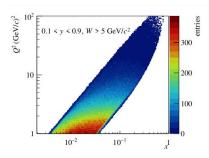


Extraction of $\langle k_T^2 \rangle$ assuming only Cahn effect at work

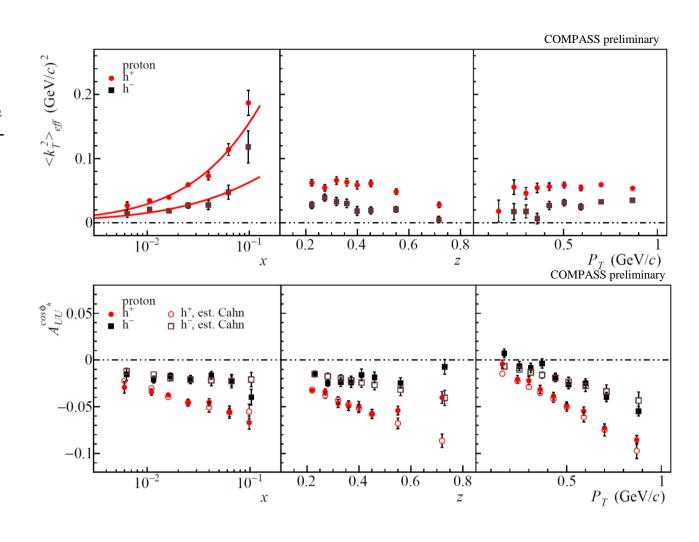
$$\left\langle k_T^2 \right\rangle_{eff} = -\frac{Q \left\langle P_T^2 \right\rangle A_{UU}^{cos\phi_h}}{2zP_T}$$

Power-law fit of $\langle k_T^2 \rangle(x)$

Rather satisfactory description also vs z (below 0.5) and P_T



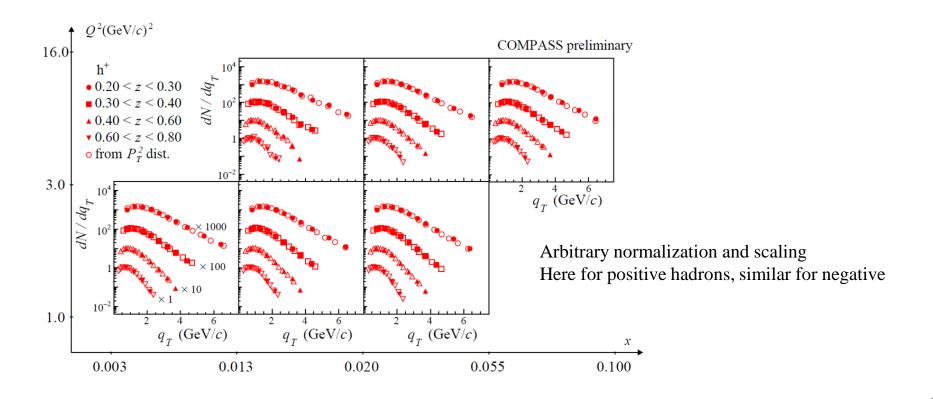
Is it an x – or Q^2 – dependence (or both)?



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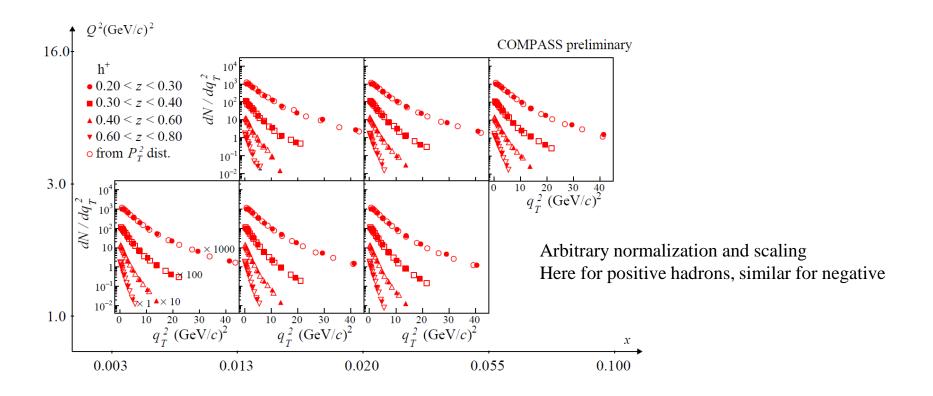
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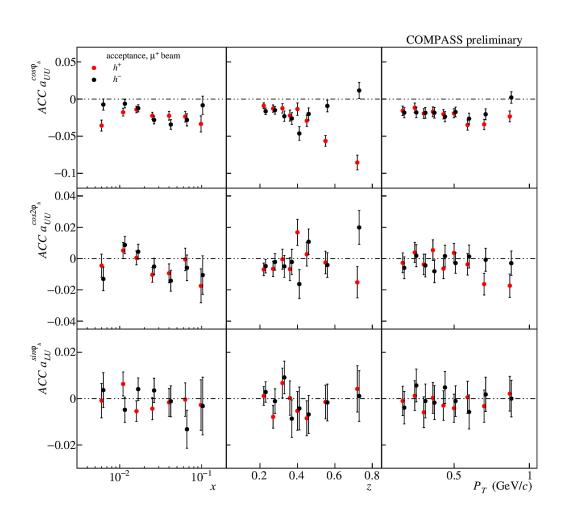
AZIMUTHAL ASYMMETRIES 1D

Acceptance modulations

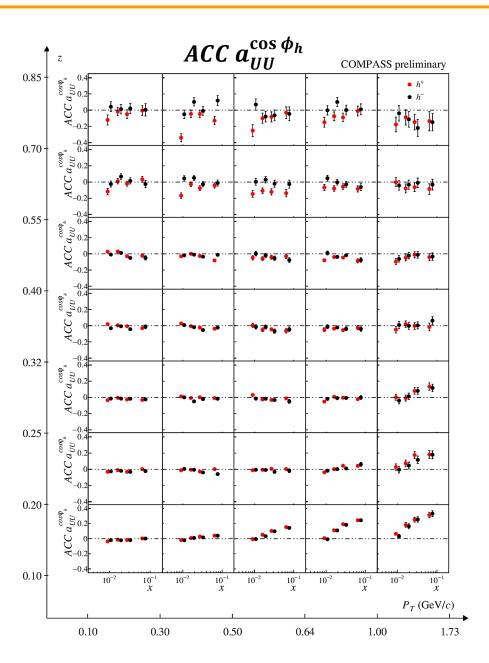
Correction for acceptance applied to each ϕ bin, taken as the ratio of reconstructed and generated hadrons:

$$c_{acc}(\phi) = \frac{N_h^{rec}(\phi^{rec})}{N_h^{gen}(\phi^{gen})}$$

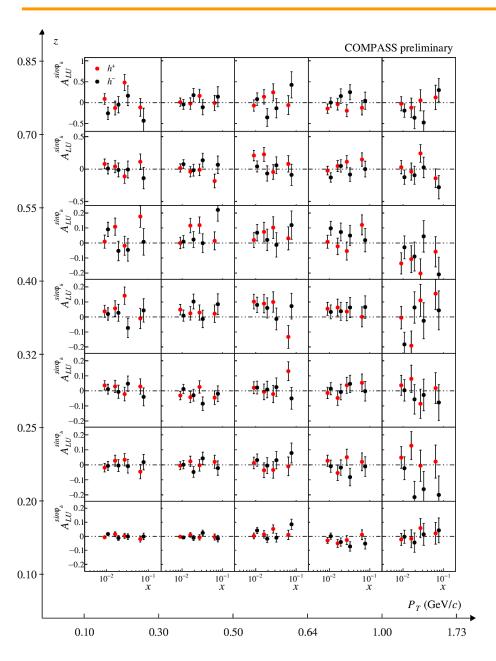
Azimuthal modulations of the acceptance in 1D binning, for μ^+ beam and positive (red) and negative hadrons (black).



Acceptance modulations



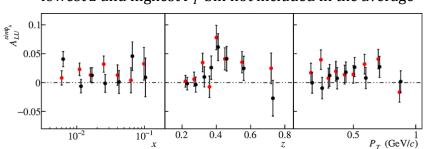
Azimuthal asymmetries – 3D



3D azimuthal asymmetries for positive and negative hadrons

 $A_{LU}^{sin\phi_h}$ as a function of x, in bins of z (rows) and P_T (columns).

Comparison with the 1D case: lowest z and highest P_T bin not included in the average

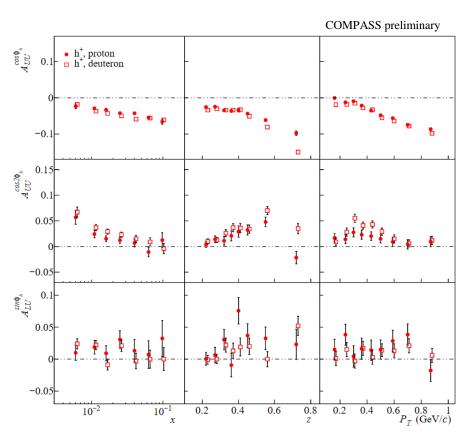


Comparison with deuteron results

Exclusive hadrons discarded / subtracted

Subtracted h¹, proton -0.1 -0.1 0.05 0.05 0.05 0.05

Exclusive hadrons not discarded / subtracted



Difference visible also before the DVM subtraction / correction

10-2

 10^{-1}

0.2

0.4

0.6

0.8

0.2 0.4

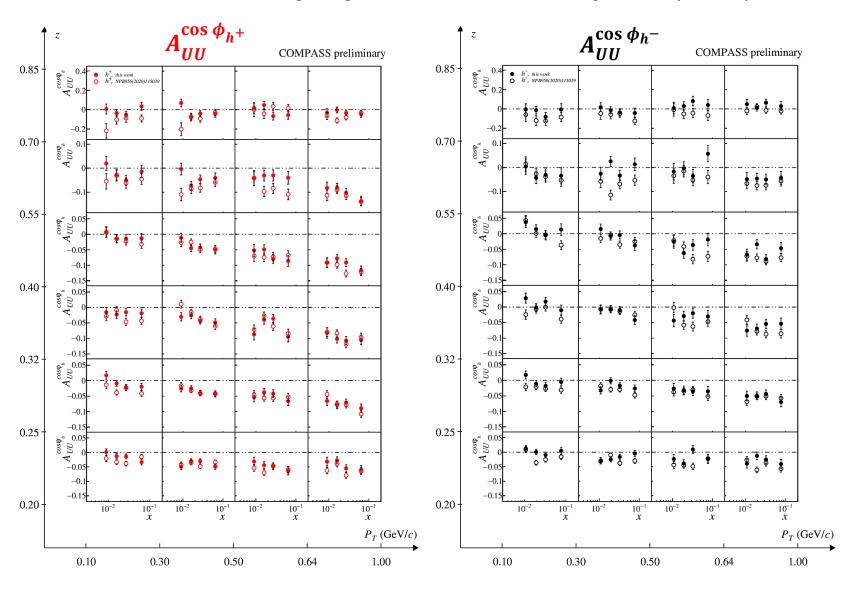
-0.05

 $P_T = 0.8 \frac{1}{(\text{GeV}/c)}$

Comparison with deuteron results

Current results (full points) compared to published results on deuteron [COMPASS, NPB 956 (2020) 115039].

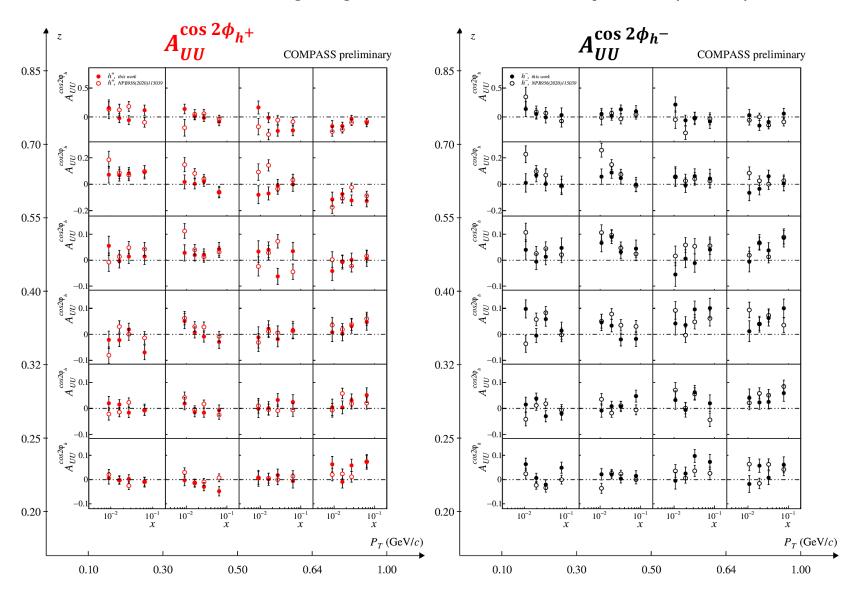
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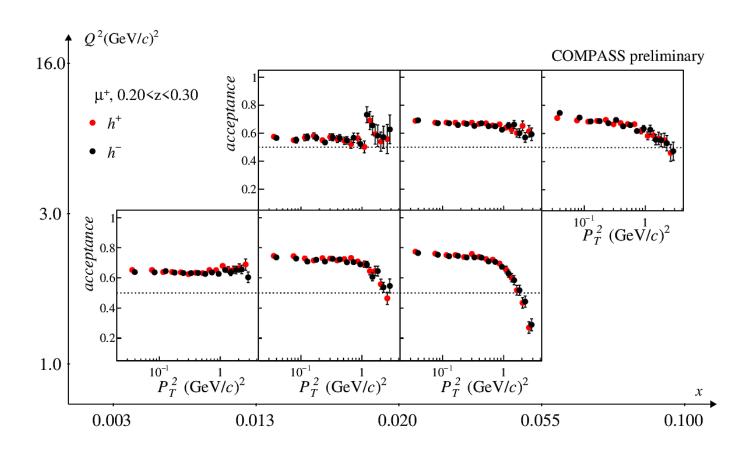
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$$c_{acc}(P_T^2) = \frac{N_h^{rec}(P_T^{rec \ 2})}{N_h^{gen}(P_T^{gen \ 2})}$$

The acceptance is shown here in the first z bin, for positive and negative hadrons. A flat plateau at values larger than 50% and, in some bins, a decrease at large P_T^2 .



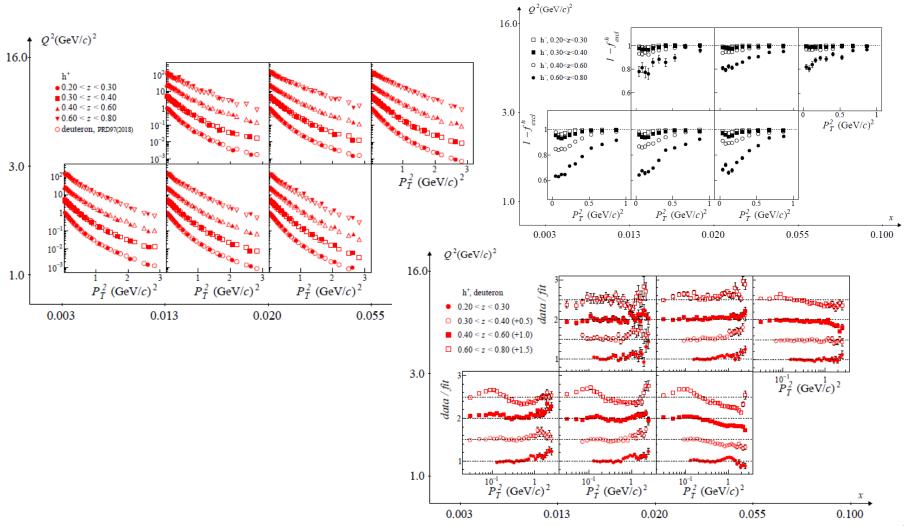
P_T^2 - DISTRIBUTIONS

Comparison with deuteron results

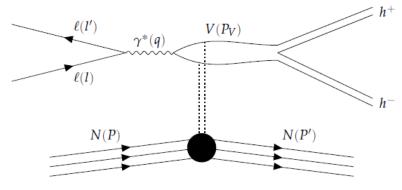
The new results are compared to published results on a deuteron target [COMPASS, PRD97(2018) 032006]

The old results have been renormalized over the first point and averaged over x and Q^2 in order to match the current binning, while the z and P_T^2 binning has not been modified.

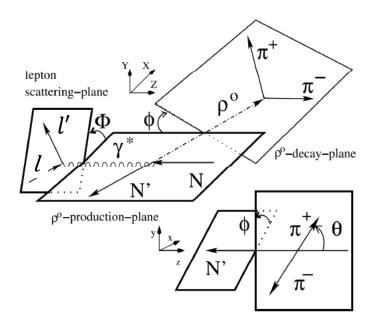
The agreement between new proton results and old deuteron ones is given in the plot on the right



Exclusive ρ^0 Spin Density Matrix Elements



The diffractive production of a vector meson *V* and its decay into a hadron pair



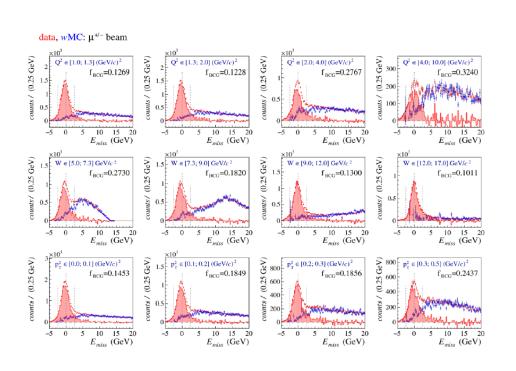
$$\begin{split} W^{II}(\cos\theta,\Phi,\phi) &= \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \Bigg[\frac{1}{2} \left(1 - r_{00}^{04} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(3r_{00}^{04} - 1 \right) \cos^2\theta - \sqrt{2} \mathrm{Re} \left\{ r_{10}^{04} \right\} \sin 2\theta \cos\phi - r_{1-1}^{04} \sin^2\theta \cos 2\phi \\ &- \epsilon \cos 2\Phi \left(r_{11}^1 \sin^2\theta + r_{00}^1 \cos^2\theta - \sqrt{2} \mathrm{Re} \left\{ r_{10}^1 \right\} \sin^2\theta \cos\phi - r_{1-1}^1 \sin^2\theta \cos 2\phi \right) \\ &- \epsilon \sin 2\Phi \left(\sqrt{2} \mathrm{Im} \left\{ r_{10}^2 \right\} \sin 2\theta \sin\phi + \mathrm{Im} \left\{ r_{1-1}^2 \right\} \sin^2\theta \sin 2\phi \right) \\ &+ \sqrt{2\epsilon \left(1 + \epsilon \right)} \cos\Phi \left(r_{11}^5 \sin^2\theta + r_{00}^5 \cos^2\theta - \sqrt{2} \mathrm{Re} \left\{ r_{10}^5 \right\} \sin 2\theta \cos\phi - r_{1-1}^5 \sin^2\theta \cos 2\phi \right) \\ &+ \sqrt{2\epsilon \left(1 + \epsilon \right)} \sin\Phi \left(\sqrt{2} \mathrm{Im} \left\{ r_{10}^6 \right\} \sin 2\theta \sin\phi + \mathrm{Im} \left\{ r_{1-1}^6 \right\} \sin^2\theta \sin 2\phi \right) \Bigg] \end{split}$$

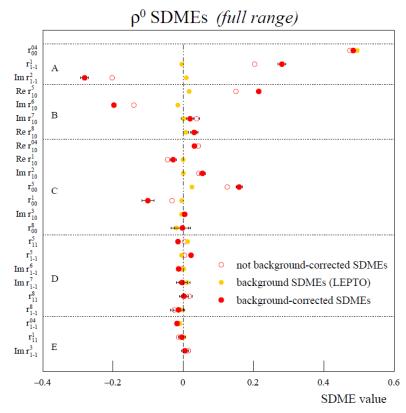
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Exclusive ρ^0 Spin Density Matrix Elements

UML fit of the observed pion distributions, correcting for the apparatus acceptance, in three steps:

- SDMEs with no background correction
- SIDIS background fraction estimation and background SDMEs
- SDMEs with SIDIS background correction





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