

# PHENIX Local Polarimetry

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# Run13 PHENIX Experiment at Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider



Run13 (in 2013):

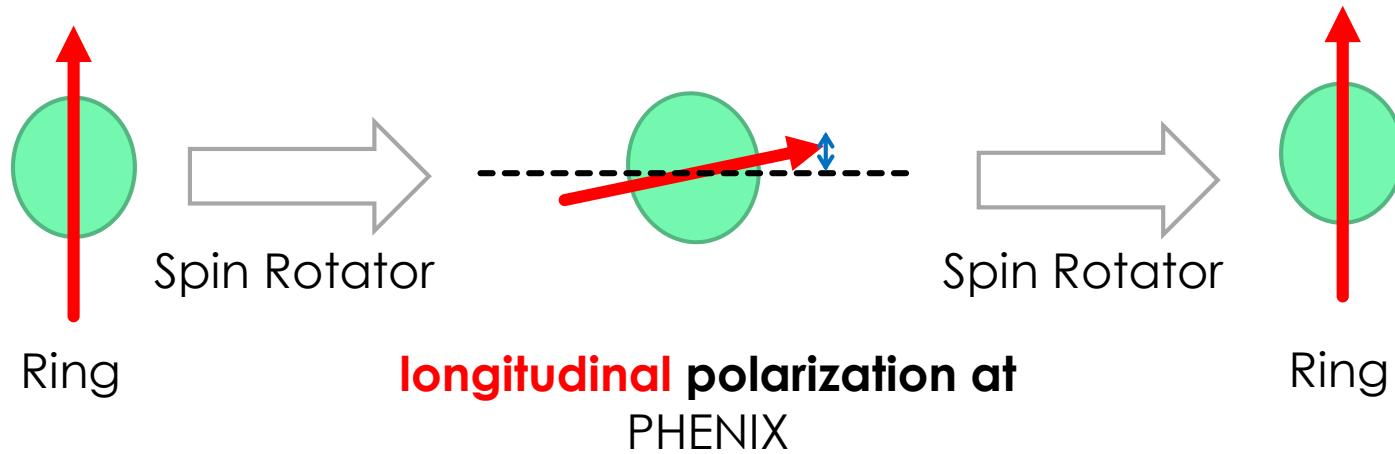
**Longitudinally polarized p+p collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 510$  GeV to study helicity distribution of partons**



In the Brookhaven National Lab, NY

# Experimental Condition

The **stable beam polarization direction** in the RHIC rings : **vertical**



↑ Transverse component of polarization,  $p_T$  may remain!

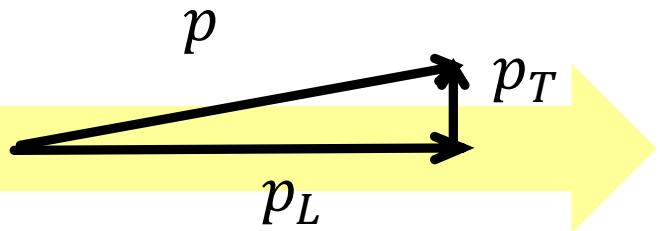
# Systematic Uncertainty from $p_T$

$$A_{LL} = \frac{\sigma_{++} - \sigma_{+-}}{\sigma_{++} + \sigma_{+-}}$$

measurement for gluon polarization



**Versus**



$$\begin{aligned} A_{LL}^{measured} &\equiv \frac{1}{p^Y} \frac{1}{p^B} \frac{N_{++} - RN_{+-}}{N_{++} + RN_{+-}} \\ &\cong \frac{1}{p^Y} \frac{1}{p^B} (p_L^Y p_L^B A_{LL} + p_T^Y p_T^B A_{TT}) \end{aligned}$$

Yellow, Blue: two colliding beam

$A_{LL}$  is very small (measured up to  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-4})$ ,  $\sim A_{TT}$  prediction)

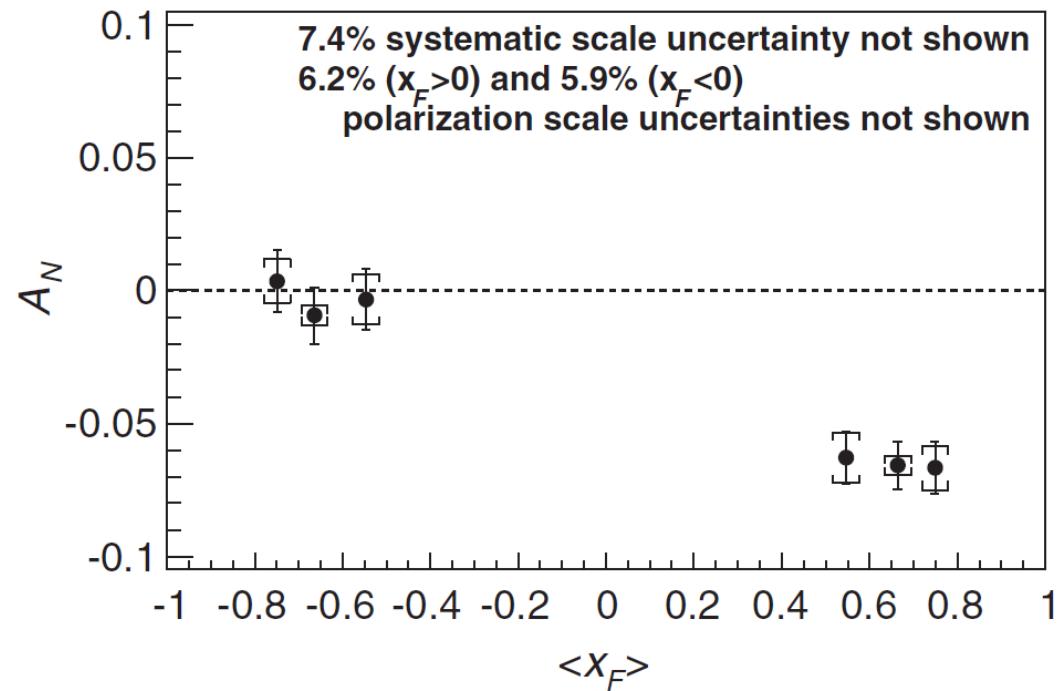
->  $\frac{p_L}{p}$  &  $\frac{p_T}{p}$  measurement, “**Local” Polarimetry, necessary!!**

# Physics for PHENIX

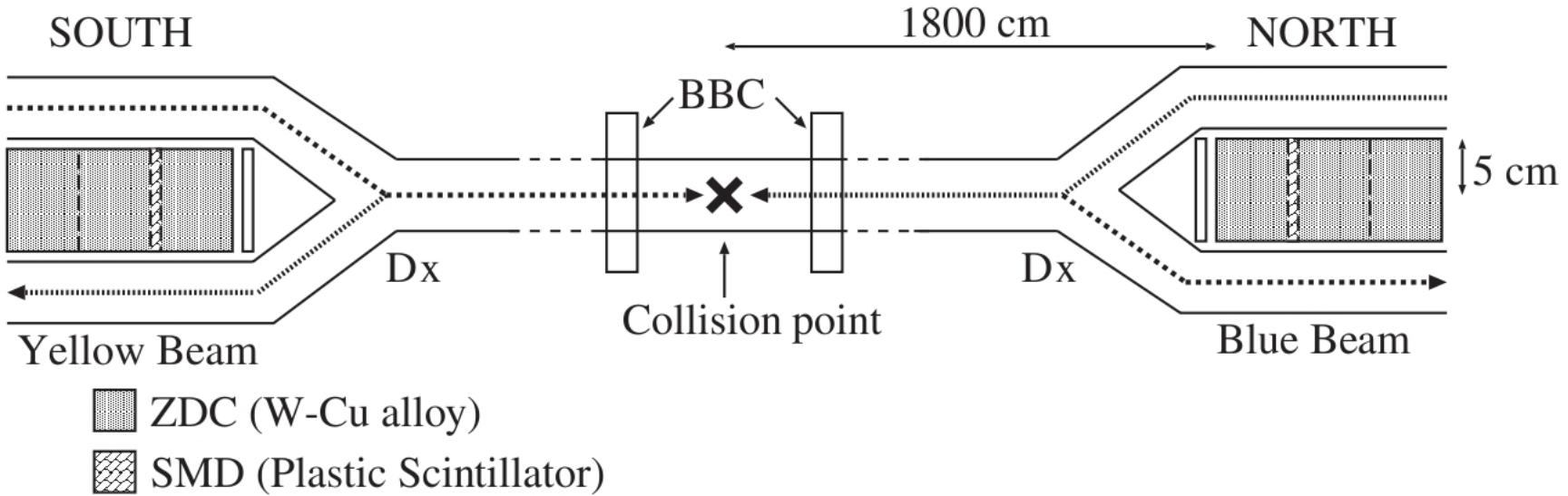
## Local Polarimetry

Use large Transverse  
Single Spin Asymmetry  
(Left-Right Asymmetry) of  
forward neutron  
production

$$A_N \equiv \frac{\sigma_L^\uparrow - \sigma_L^\downarrow}{\sigma_L^\uparrow + \sigma_L^\downarrow} = \frac{\sigma_L^\uparrow - \sigma_R^\uparrow}{\sigma_L^\uparrow + \sigma_R^\uparrow}$$



# Detector layout



- **Zero Degree Calorimeter** : Neutron energy measurement
- **Shower Max Detector** : Reconstruct a neutron X-Y position using shower profile
- **Beam Beam Counters** : Provide collision triggers

# Zero Degree Calorimeter & Shower Max Detector



10 cm x 10 cm  
transverse coverage

## ZDC:

- W-Cu alloy + PMMA based optical fibers
- Collect cherenkov light produced by charged secondary particles from neutron showers

## SMD:

- X-Y plastic scintillator strip hodoscope
- Between the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> ZDC modules - approx. shower max location
- Position calculation

$x, y$

$$= \frac{\sum_i^{SMD \text{ strips with hit}} \text{energy} (i) \times \text{strip position}(i)}{\sum_i^{SMD \text{ strips with hit}} \text{energy} (i)}$$

# Measurement Procedure

0.  $A_N^{Eff} \equiv \frac{e_N}{p_T} = \frac{1}{f_{detector}} A_N$  ( $f_{detector}$  : assumed to be constant)

1. Transversely polarized beam ( $p = p_T$ ) : get  $A_N^{Eff}$

$$A_N^{Eff} = \frac{e_N}{p} \equiv \frac{e_N^{Tran}}{p^{Tran}}$$

$e_N$  : observed  
asymmetry  
- Local Polarimeter

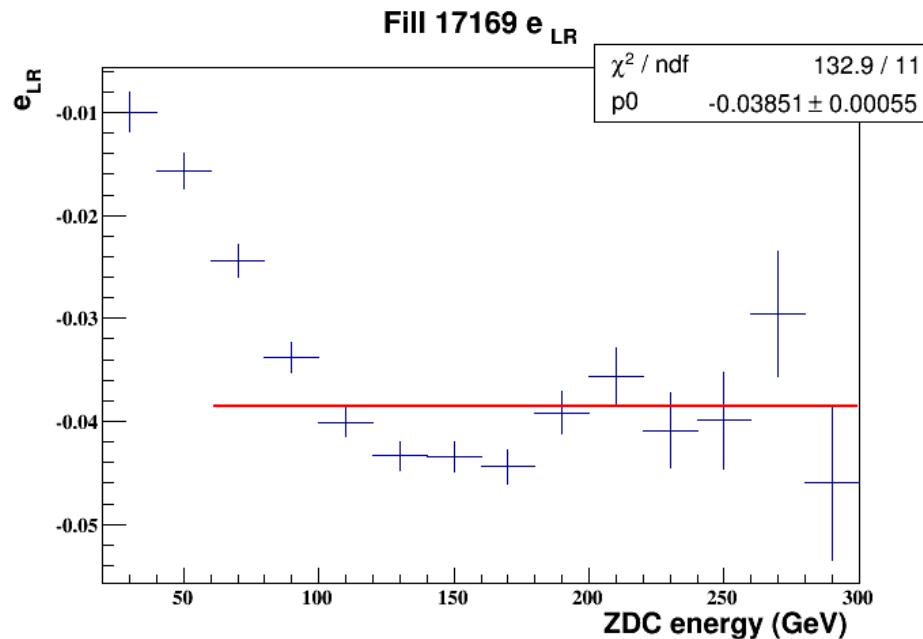
2. Longitudinally polarized beam : calculate  $\frac{p_T}{p}, \frac{p_L}{p}$

$$\frac{p_T}{p} = \frac{1}{p} \frac{e_N}{A_N^{Eff}} = \frac{p^{Tran}}{p} \frac{e_N}{e_N^{Tran}}$$

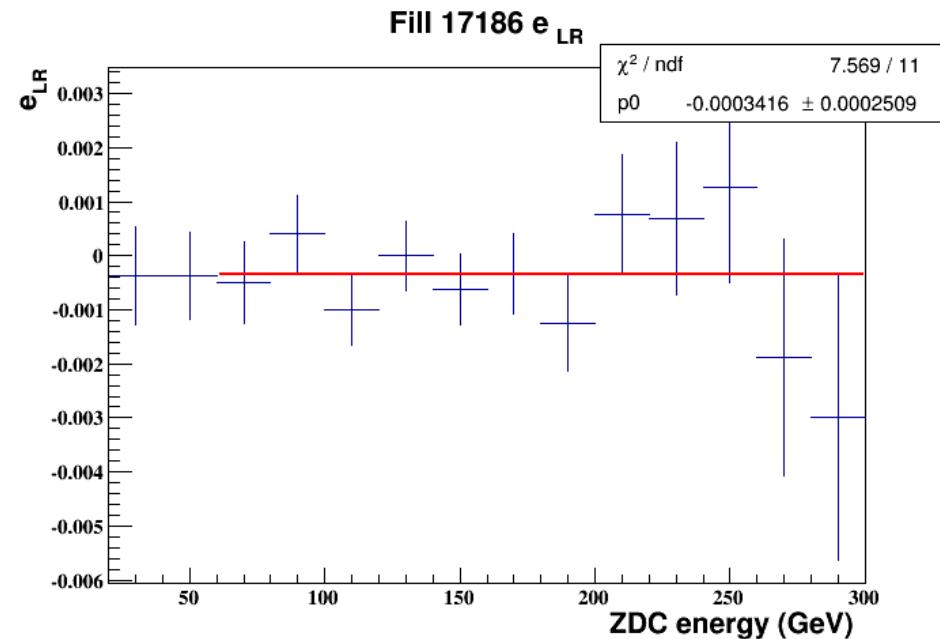
$$\frac{p_L}{p} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{p_T}{p}\right)^2}$$

$p$  : absolute  
polarization  
- RHIC Polarimeter  
~50% in average

# Observed Asymmetry Result



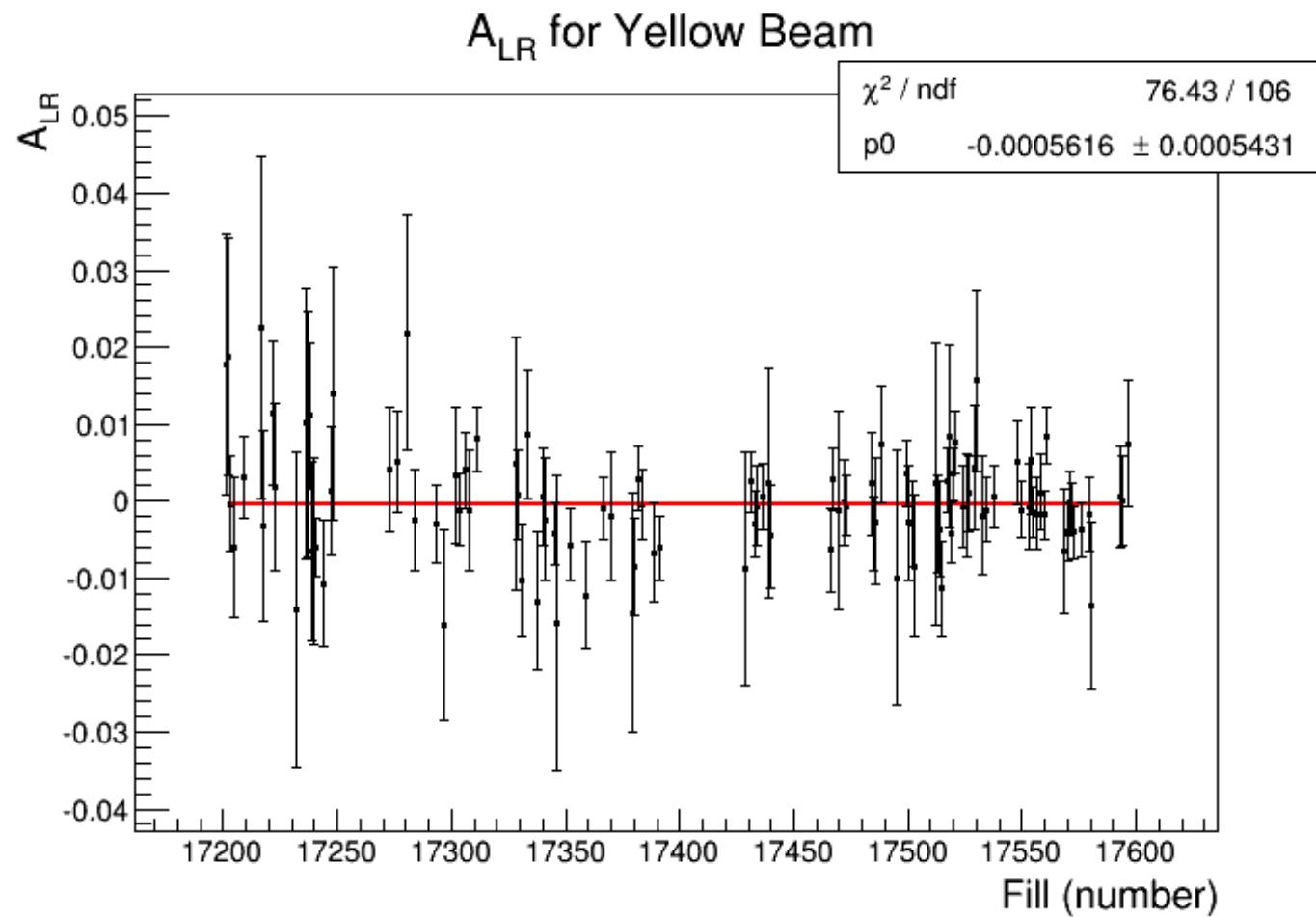
Transversely polarized beam:  
 $e_{LR} = -0.03851 \pm 0.00055$



Longitudinally polarized beam:  
 $e_{LR} = -0.0003416 \pm 0.0002509$

# $\frac{e_N}{p}$ of Longitudinal Fills

## Result



# $\frac{p_T}{p}$ & $\frac{p_L}{p}$ of Run13

Yellow beam:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{p_T}{p} &= 0.007327^{+0.004423}_{-0.007327}(stat.)^{+0.005279}_{-0.000000}(syst. bc) + 0.001158(syst. e) \\ \frac{p_L}{p} &= 0.999973^{+0.000027}_{-0.000038}(stat.)^{+0.000000}_{-0.000043}(syst. bc) - 0.000008(syst. e)\end{aligned}$$

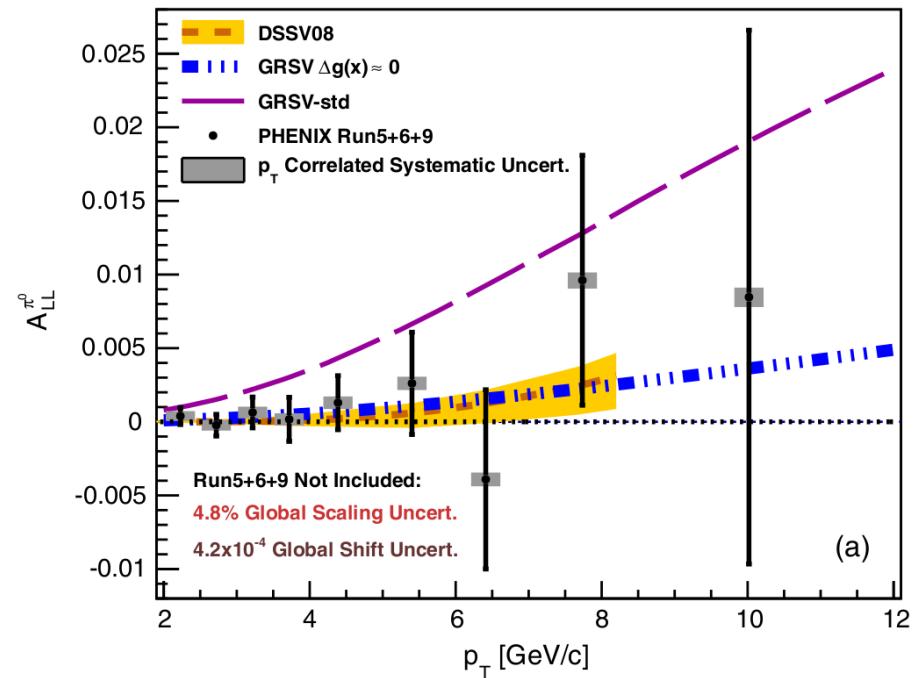
Blue beam:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{p_T}{p} &= 0.048686^{+0.008164}_{-0.008736}(stat.)^{+0.000000}_{-0.006180}(syst. bc) \pm 0.003292(syst. e) \\ \frac{p_L}{p} &= 0.998814^{+0.000386}_{-0.000436}(stat.)^{+0.000334}_{-0.000000}(syst. bc) \pm 0.000155(syst. e)\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{p_T^Y}{p^Y} \frac{p_T^B}{p^B} \sim 0.001, \quad \frac{p_L^Y}{p^Y} \frac{p_L^B}{p^B} \cong 0.999$$

# Discussion & Conclusion

- $A_{LL}$  measurement done up to  $O(10^{-4})$
- $A_{TT} \sim 10^{-4}$  by theoretical prediction
- $A_{LL}^{measured}$   
 $\cong \frac{1}{p_L^Y} \frac{1}{p_L^B} (p_L^Y p_L^B A_{LL} + p_T^Y p_T^B A_{TT})$   
 $\cong 0.999 A_{LL} + O(10^{-7})$

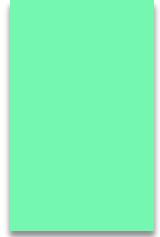


->  $p_T$  is small enough not to contribute relatively large systematic uncertainty in  $A_{LL}$  measurement

# Summary

- Run13: longitudinally polarized p+p experiment
- $A_{LL}$  measurement for gluon helicity distribution
- Local polarimetry is necessary for  $A_{LL}$  systematic uncertainty estimation
- Run13 Local polarimetry analysis: gives  $O(10^{-7})$  accuracy on one of the systematic error of  $A_{LL}$ . Transverse component of beam polarization is small enough for  $A_{LL}$  measurement.

# Backup

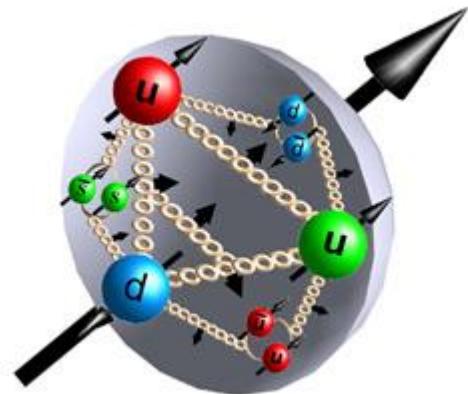


# Origin of Proton Spin

Naive spin model (static quark model):

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma$$

( $\frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma$ : quark polarization )



In DIS experiment:

$$\frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma \approx 30\%$$

Proton longitudinal spin sum rule in QCD:

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma + \Delta G + L_q + L_g$$

$\Delta G = \int_0^1 dx \Delta g(x)$ ,  $\Delta g(x) = g^\uparrow(x) - g^\downarrow(x)$  -> Not well measured

$L_{q(g)}$ : orbital angular momentum of quarks (gluons) -> Not measured yet

# Spin Asymmetry Definitions

Longitudinal asymmetries

$$A_{LL} \equiv \frac{\sigma^{++} - \sigma^{+-}}{\sigma^{++} + \sigma^{+-}}$$

$$A_L \equiv \frac{\sigma^{+0} - \sigma^{-0}}{\sigma^{+0} + \sigma^{-0}}$$

Transverse asymmetries

$$A_N \equiv \frac{\sigma_L^{\uparrow 0} - \sigma_L^{\downarrow 0}}{\sigma_L^{\uparrow 0} + \sigma_L^{\downarrow 0}}$$

$$A_{TT} \equiv \frac{\sigma^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \sigma^{\uparrow\downarrow}}{\sigma^{\uparrow\uparrow} + \sigma^{\uparrow\downarrow}}$$

For  $A_{LL}$



Versus



++ : same helicity

+- : opposite helicity

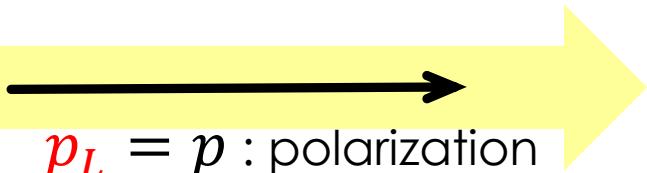
$\uparrow$  ( $\downarrow$ ) : spin up (down)

0 : unpolarized

# Necessity of Local Polarimetry

## on $A_{LL}$ measurement

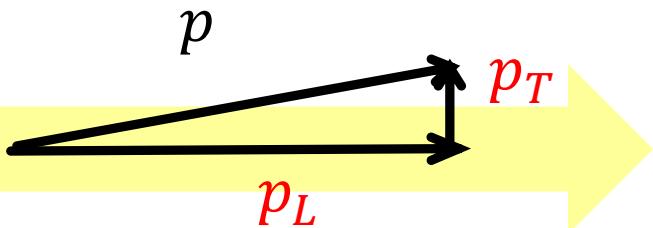
**Ideal** longitudinal polarization



$$p_L = p : \text{polarization}$$

$$A_{LL} = \frac{\sigma_{++} - \sigma_{+-}}{\sigma_{++} + \sigma_{+-}} = \frac{1}{p^Y} \frac{1}{p^B} \frac{N_{++} - RN_{+-}}{N_{++} + RN_{+-}}$$

**Real** Longitudinal polarization



$$\frac{1}{p^Y} \frac{1}{p^B} \frac{N_{++} - RN_{+-}}{N_{++} + RN_{+-}} = A_{LL}^{\text{measured}} \cong \frac{1}{p^Y} \frac{1}{p^B} (p_L^Y p_L^B A_{LL} + p_T^Y p_T^B A_{TT})$$

$p^{Y(B)}$ : yellow(blue) beam polarization  
 $R = \frac{L^+}{L^-}$  : relative luminosity

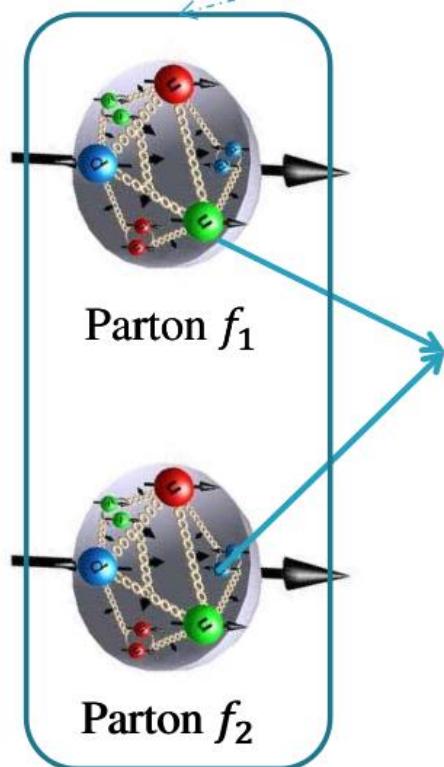
- Only  $p^{Y,B}$  measured by RHIC polarimeters
- Very small  $A_{LL}$  in  $\Delta G$  measurement
- $\pi^0$  production,  $A_{TT} \cong 10^{-4}$  (theoretical prediction)

**Local Polarimetry**

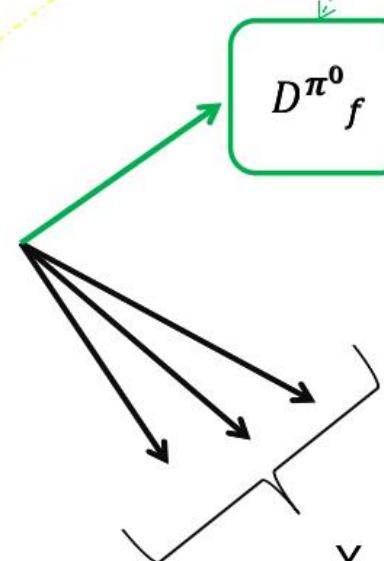
$\frac{p_L}{p}, \frac{p_T}{p}$  measurement  
necessary!!

# $A_{LL}^{\pi^0}$ measurement for $\Delta G$

$$A_{LL}^{\pi^0} = \frac{\sigma^{\pi^0}_{++} - \sigma^{\pi^0}_{+-}}{\sigma^{\pi^0}_{++} + \sigma^{\pi^0}_{+-}} = \frac{\sum_{f_1, f_2, f} \Delta f_1 \otimes \Delta f_2 \otimes d\hat{\sigma}^{f_1 f_2 \rightarrow f X} \otimes D_f^{\pi^0}}{\sum_{f_1, f_2, f} f_1 \otimes f_2 \otimes \hat{\sigma}^{f_1 f_2 \rightarrow f X} \otimes D_f^{\pi^0}}$$

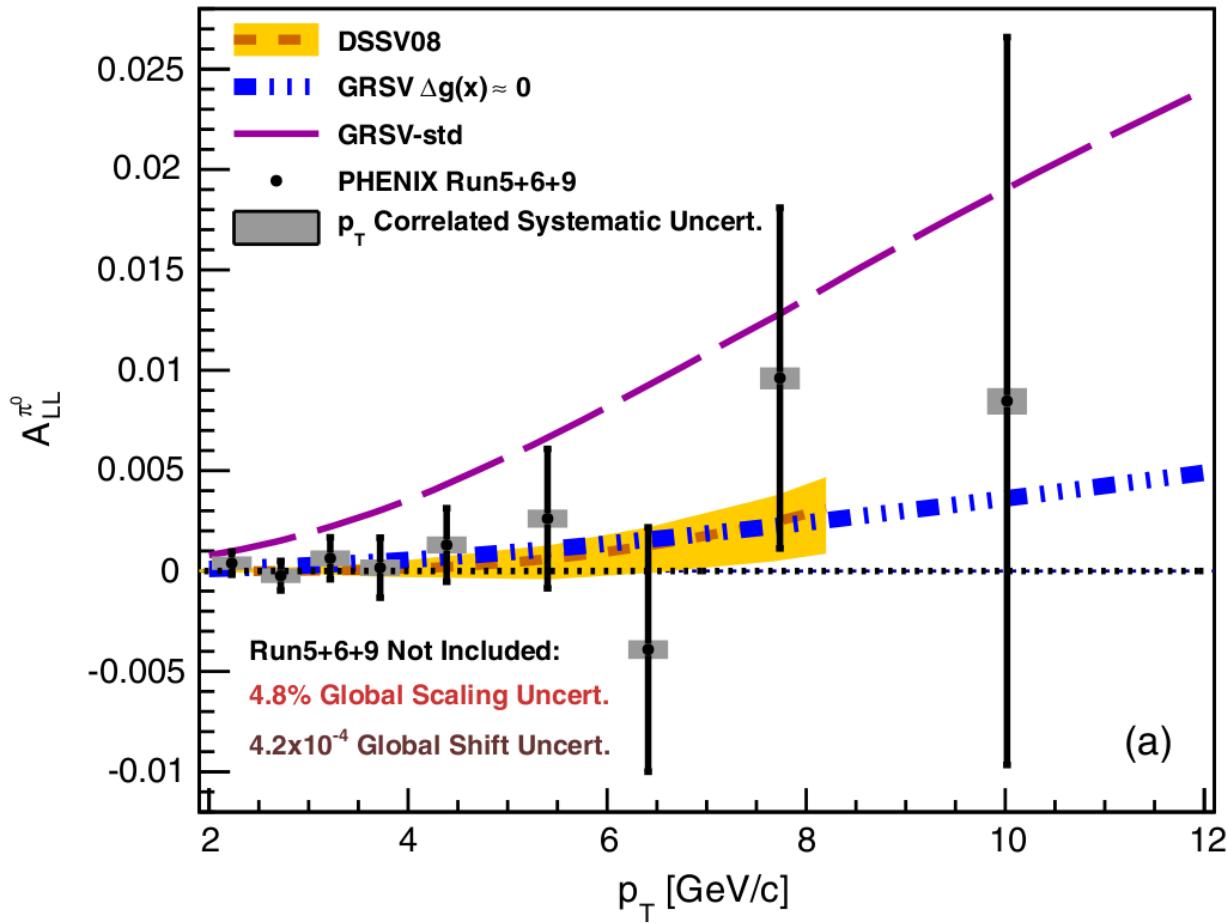


$f_1 f_2 \rightarrow f X$   
 $\hat{\sigma}$



$f_{1,2}, \Delta f_q$ :  
 DIS data  
 $\Delta f_{\bar{q},g}$ :  
 theoretical  
 predictions  
 $\sigma^{\{f_1 f_2 \rightarrow f X\}},$   
 $d\sigma^{\{f_1 f_2 \rightarrow f X\}}$  :  
 pQCD  
 $D_f^{\pi^0}$ :  $e^+ + e^-$   
 collision data

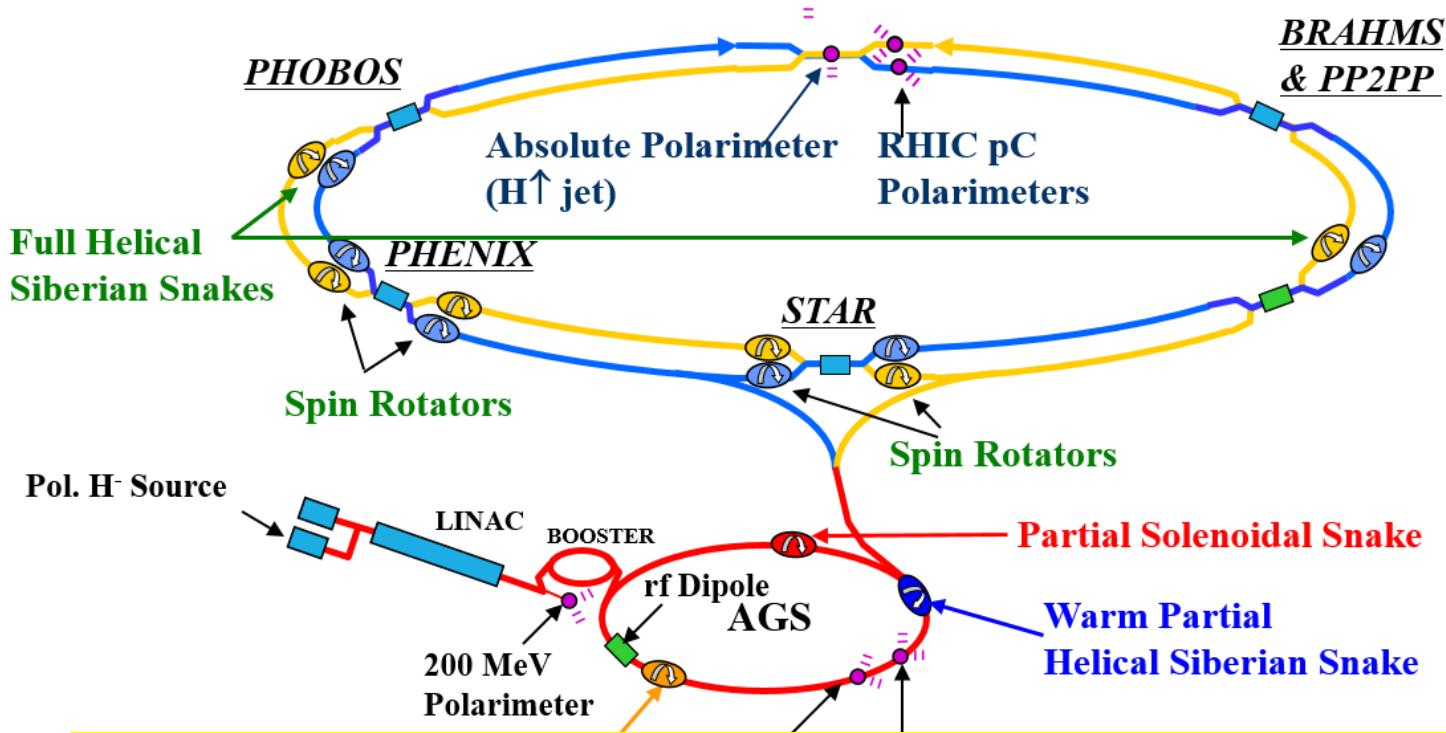
# $A_{LL}^{\pi^0}$ measurement at PHENIX



$$\Delta G_{PHENIX}^{[0.05, 0.2]} = 0.07^{+0.05}_{-0.08}$$

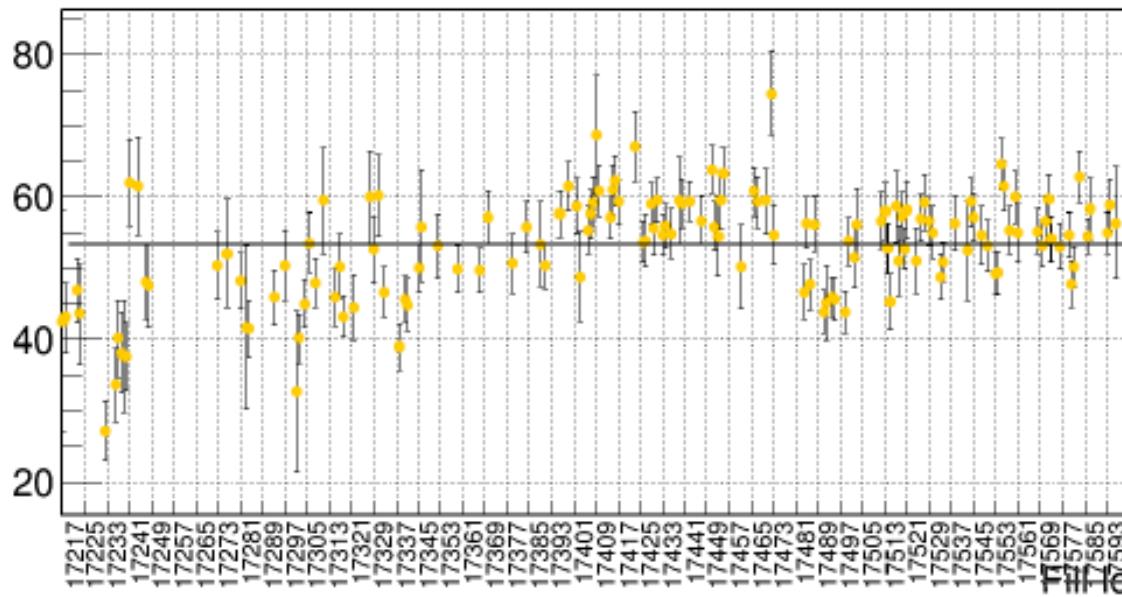
**$\Delta G$  is not well measured because of smallness of  $A_{LL}$**

# RHIC complex

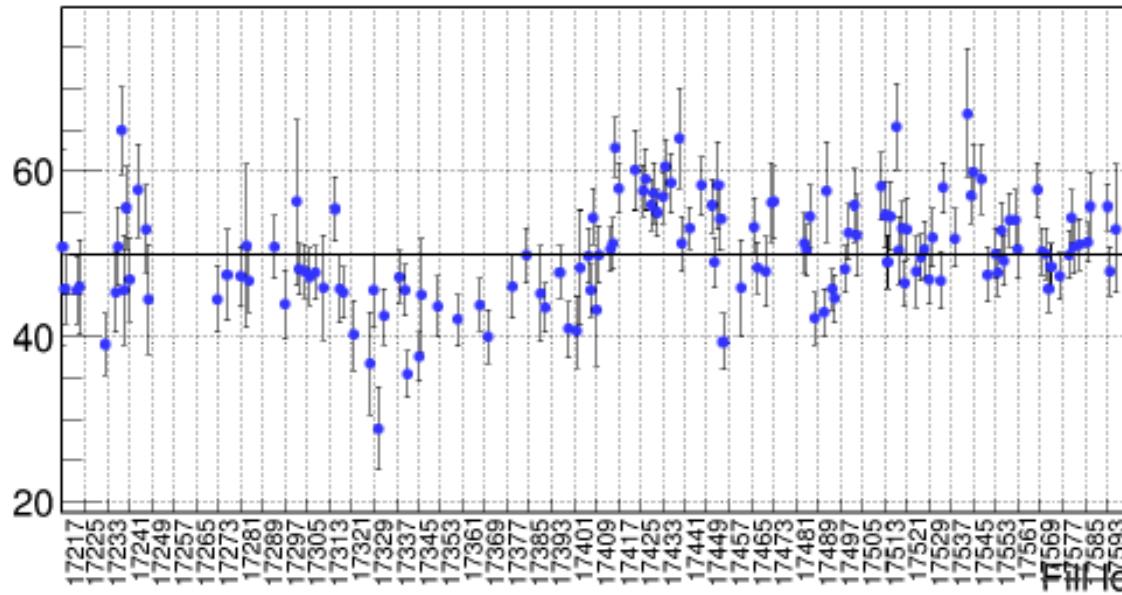


Stable beam polarization direction: vertical  
->longitudinal polarization  
only at the experimental halls

Polarization (H-jet), %


 $\chi^2 / \text{ndf}$  420.1 / 140  
 Prob 8.925e-30  
 p0  $53.33 \pm 0.3183$ 

Polarization (H-jet), %


 $\chi^2 / \text{ndf}$  369.7 / 140  
 Prob 1.264e-22  
 p0  $49.95 \pm 0.3003$

# Zero Degree Calorimeter & Shower Max Detector



10 cm x 10 cm  
transverse coverage

## ZDC:

- Collect cherenkov light produced by charged secondary particles from neutron showers

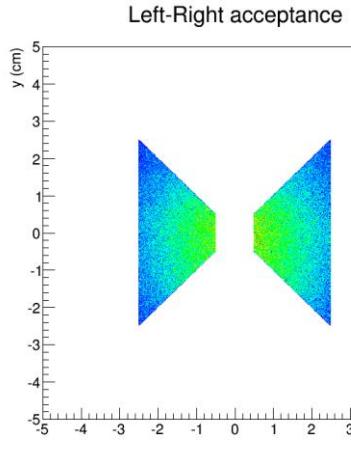
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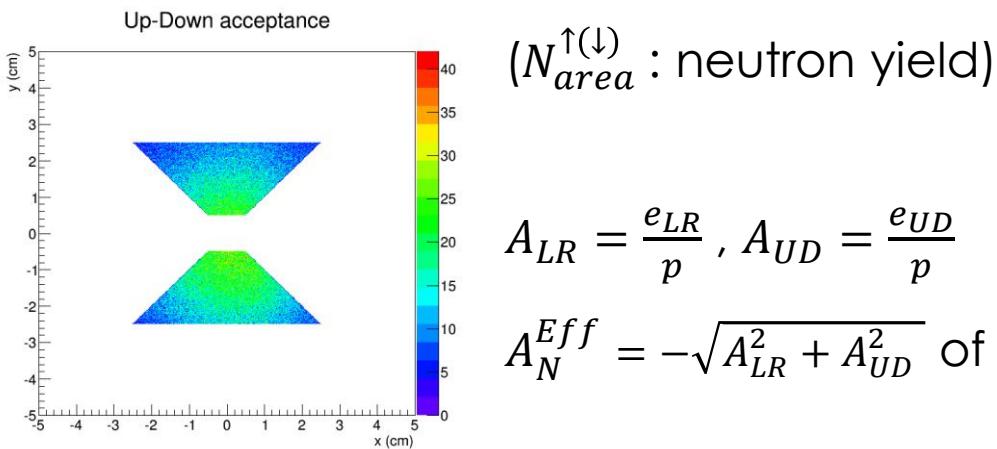
# Asymmetry Definitions



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

By rotational symmetry  $\rightarrow \sigma_L^{\uparrow(\downarrow)} = \sigma_R^{\downarrow(\uparrow)}$ .  $L, R$ : left, right

$$e_{LR} = \frac{\sqrt{N_L^{\uparrow} N_R^{\downarrow}} - \sqrt{N_R^{\uparrow} N_L^{\downarrow}}}{\sqrt{N_L^{\uparrow} N_R^{\downarrow}} + \sqrt{N_R^{\uparrow} N_L^{\downarrow}}} , \quad e_{UD} = \frac{\sqrt{N_U^{\uparrow} N_D^{\downarrow}} - \sqrt{N_D^{\uparrow} N_U^{\downarrow}}}{\sqrt{N_U^{\uparrow} N_D^{\downarrow}} + \sqrt{N_D^{\uparrow} N_U^{\downarrow}}},$$



$$A_{LR} = \frac{e_{LR}}{p} , \quad A_{UD} = \frac{e_{UD}}{p}$$

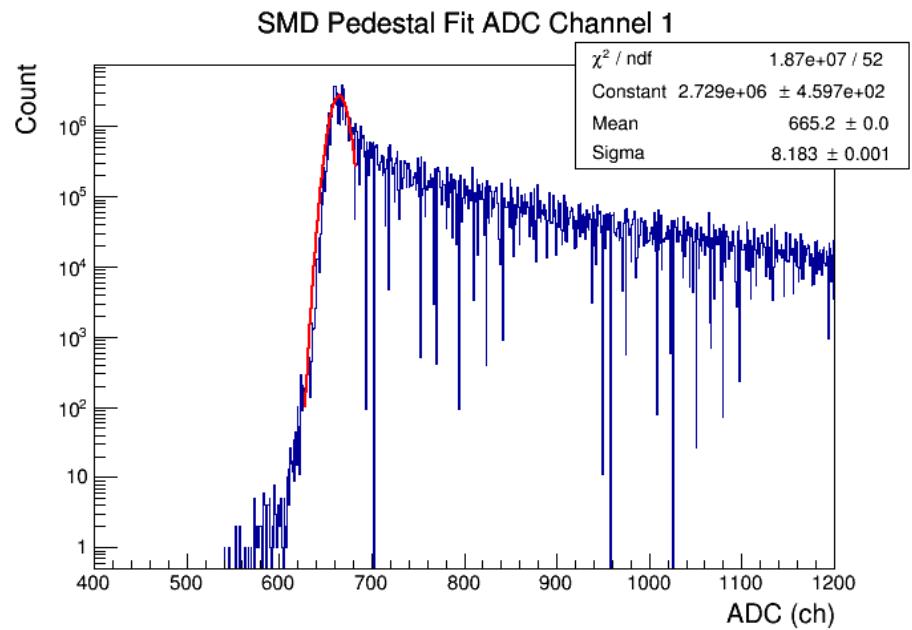
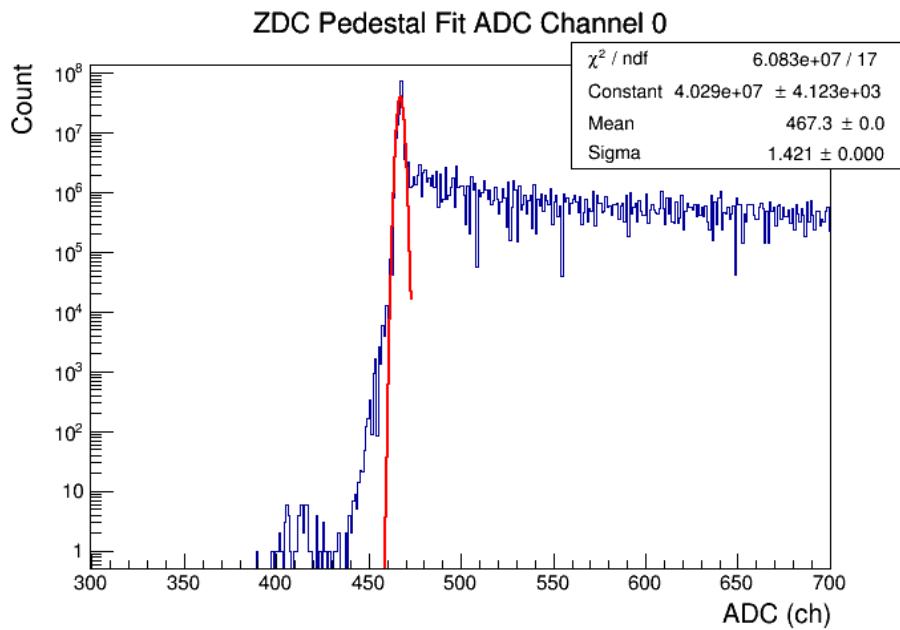
$$A_N^{Eff} = -\sqrt{A_{LR}^2 + A_{UD}^2} \text{ of transverse fill}$$

# Analysis Basics

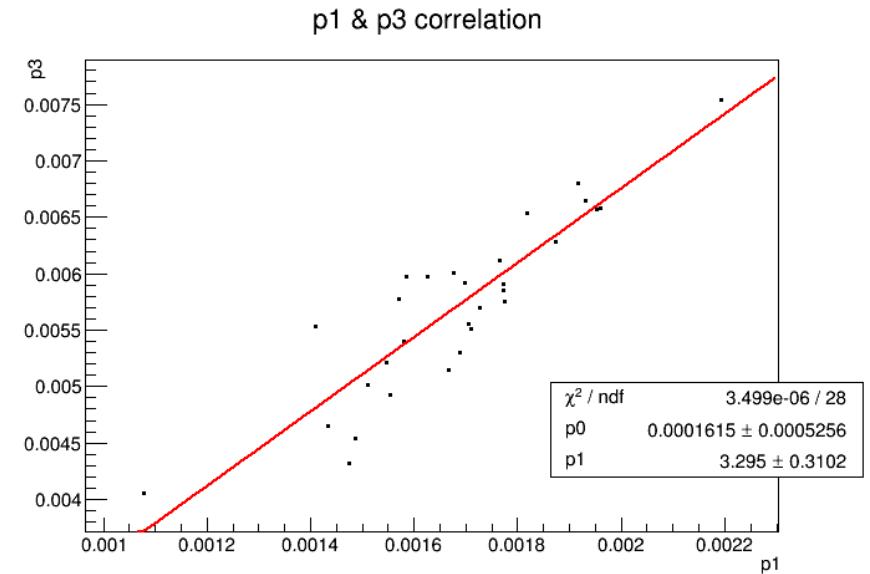
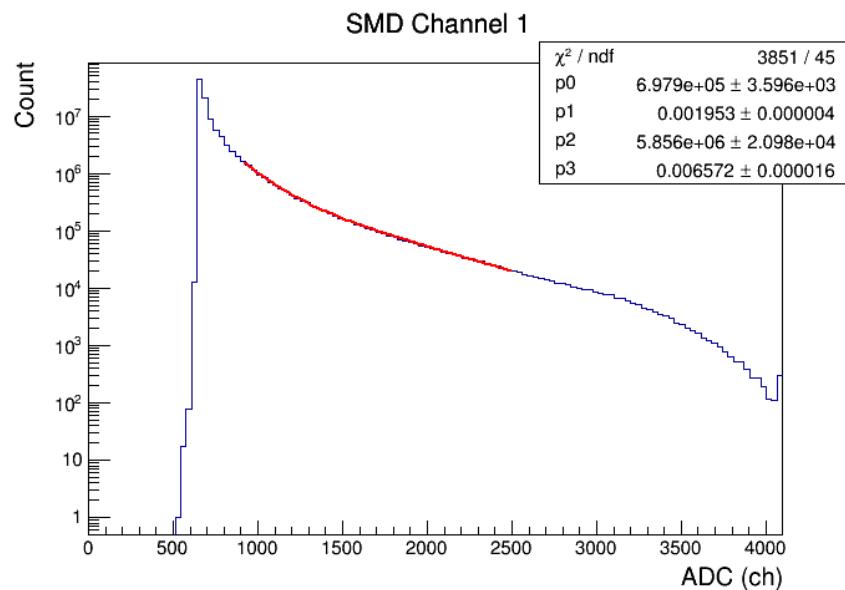
- Data samples
  - local pol trigger
- Run QA
  - bad ADC distribution, spin pattern problem run rejected
- Calibration
  - ZDC/SMD pedestal : offline fitting
  - ZDC gain : 100 GeV neutron peak in peripheral heavy ion collision, HV adjustment by LED signal for p+p run
  - SMD gain: Fit ADC distribution with two exponential function
- Event selection
  - SMD shower cut : #hit SMD  $\geq 2$  each coord., reject photon event
  - Acceptance cut edge :  $-4.5 \text{ cm} \leq x, y \leq 4.5 \text{ cm}$ , avoid shower leakage
  - Acceptance cut center :  $-0.5 \text{ cm} \leq x - x_{center}, y - y_{center} \leq 0.5 \text{ cm}$ , avoid falsely measured Left-Right
  - Energy cut : take 60-300 GeV, 60 GeV- gate signal threshold (beam scraping background rejected); 300 GeV – 255 GeV + 20% ZDC energy resolution

# Calibration - Pedestal

Gaussian fit



# Calibration – SMD Gain



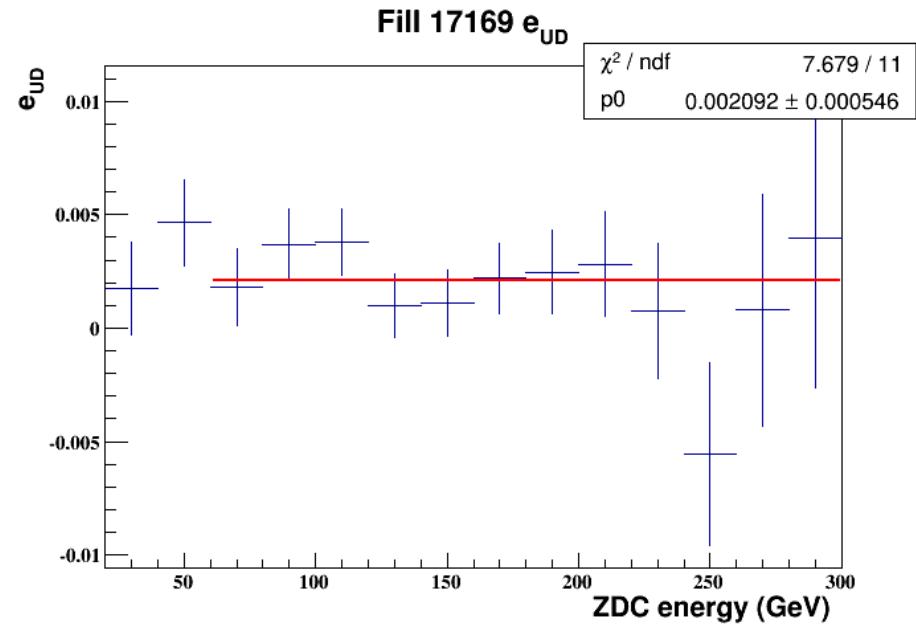
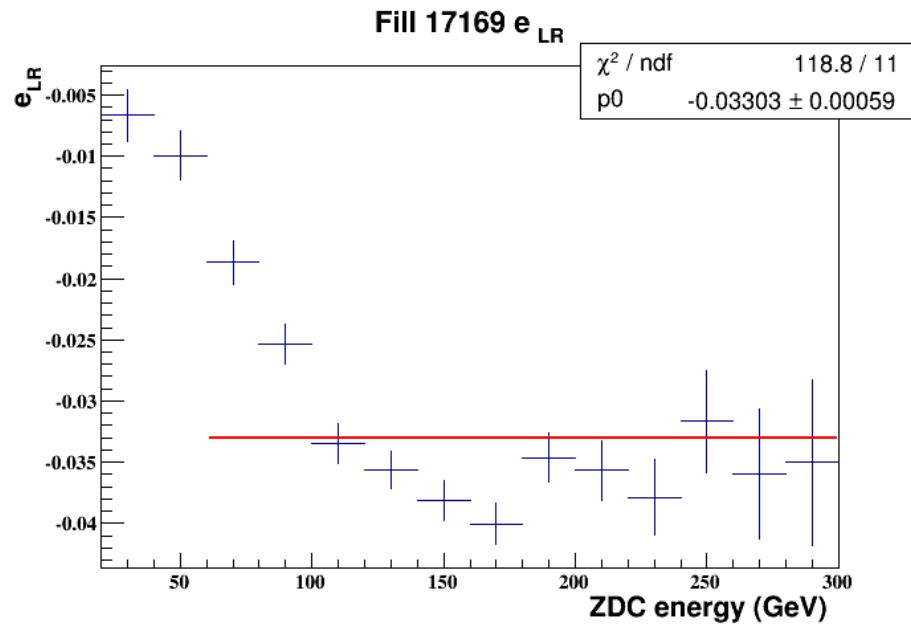
Fit function:  $p0 \exp(p1 * (x - \text{pedestal})) + p2 \exp(p3 * (x - \text{pedestal}))$

Gain: p1

p1 & p3 correlate

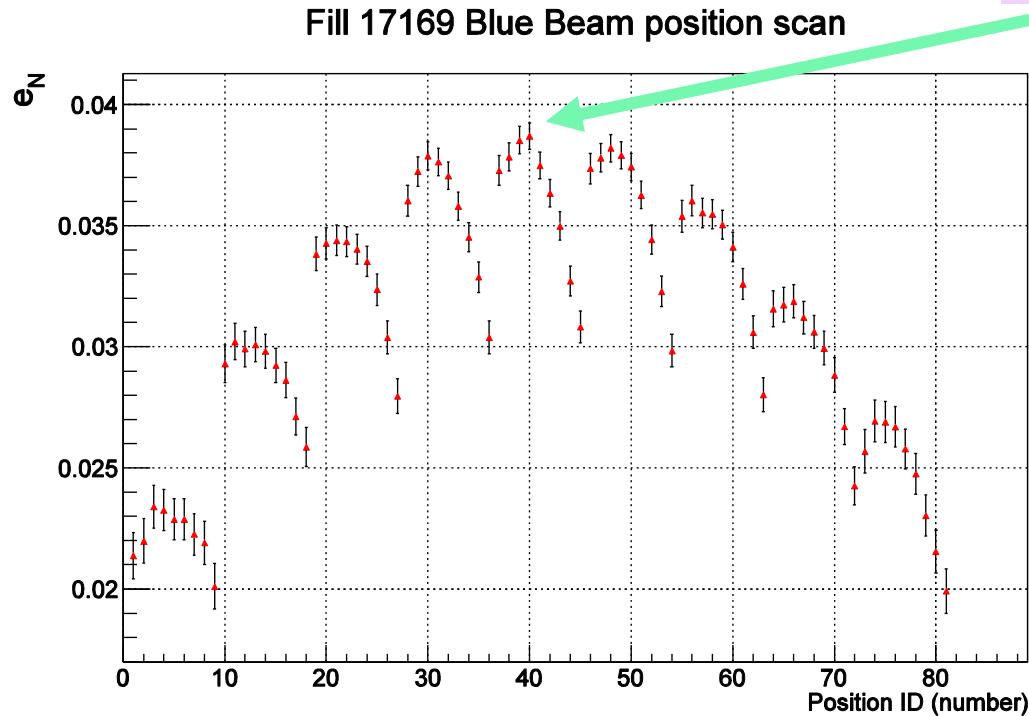
p3 for systematic error study from gain calibration -> no significant effect

# Yellow beam raw asym

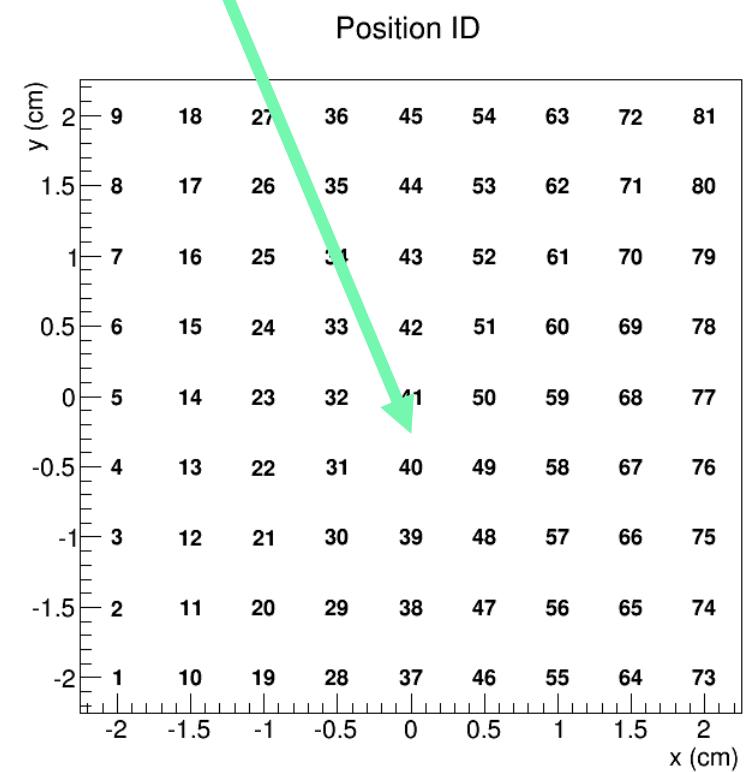


# Beam center

Center: Largest  $e_N$



Center: (0.0 cm, -0.5 cm)



# $A_N^{Eff}$ from a Transverse Fill

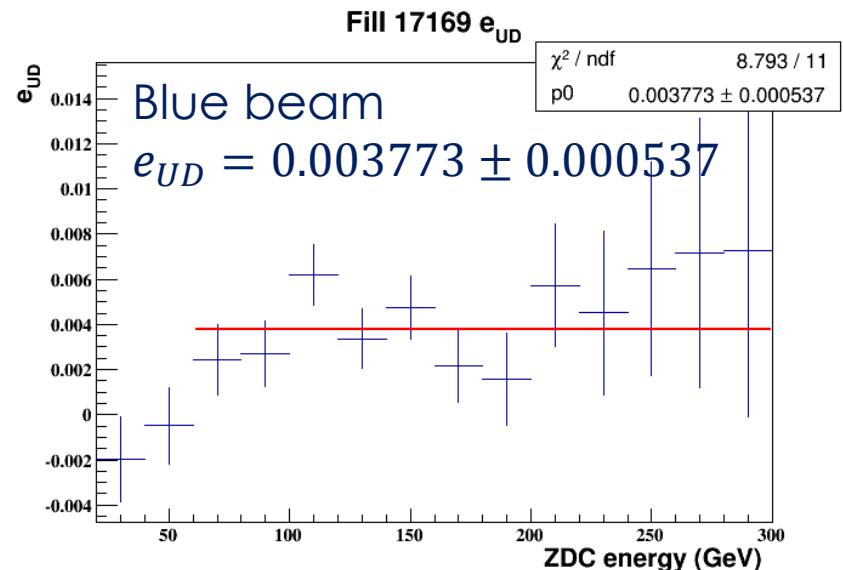
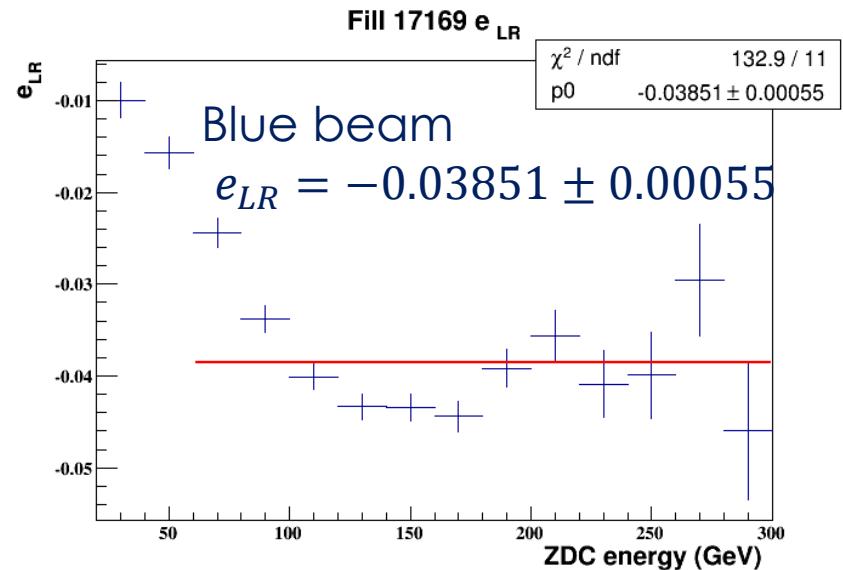
Calculated  $e_{LR}$  &  $e_{UD}$  of each energy bin (20 GeV interval), then took average of 60-300 GeV

$$A_{LR(UD)} = \frac{e_{LR(UD)}}{p}$$

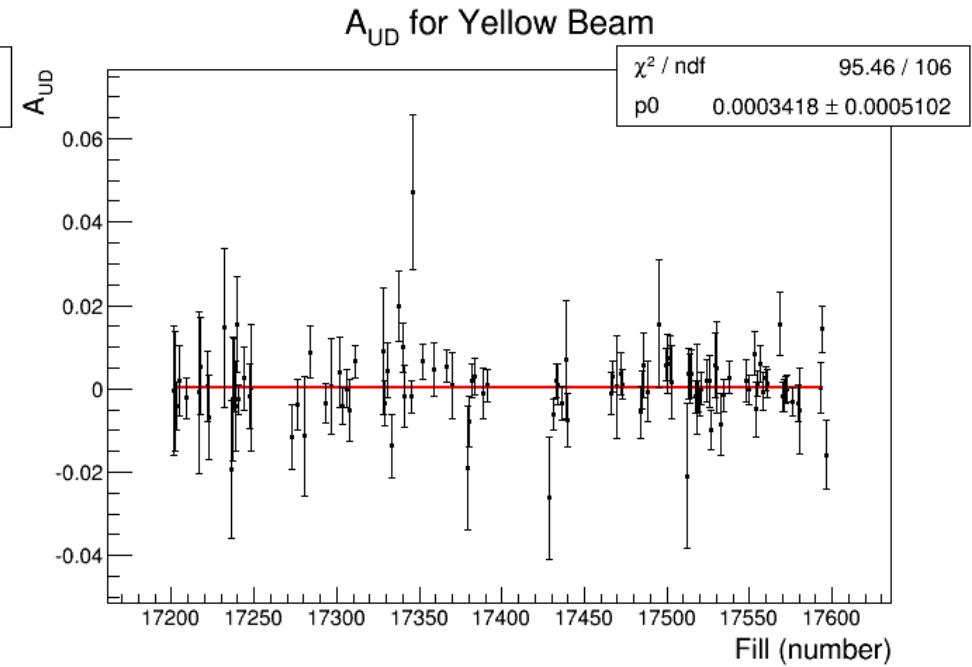
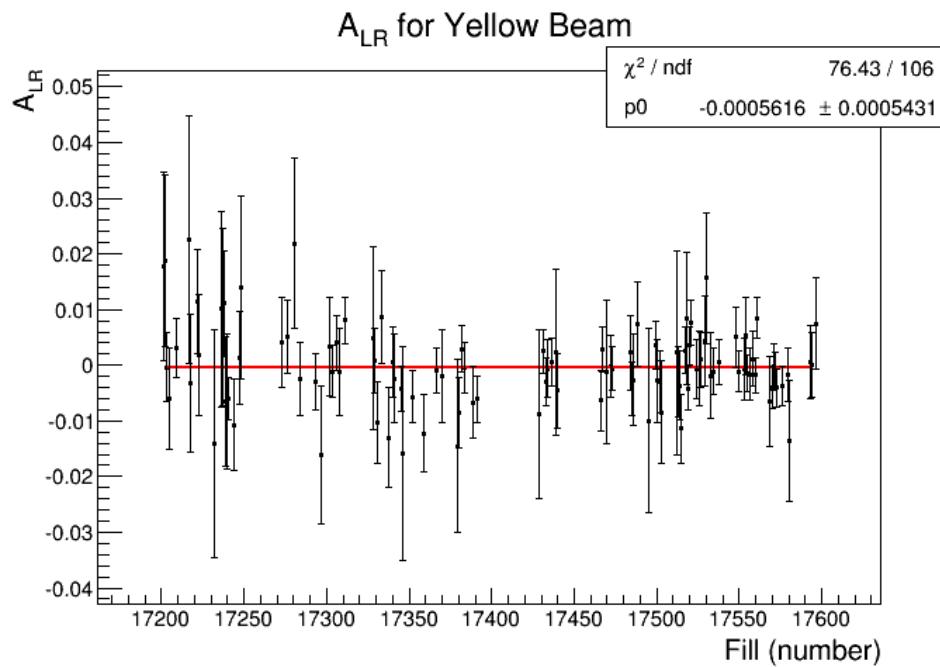
$$p^Y = 0.3688 \pm 0.0608$$

$$p^B = 0.5022 \pm 0.0544$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_N^{Eff} &= -\sqrt{A_{LR}^2 + A_{UD}^2} \\ &= -0.07706 \pm 0.008340 \text{ Blue beam} \\ &\quad -0.08973 \pm 0.01482 \text{ Yellow beam} \end{aligned}$$



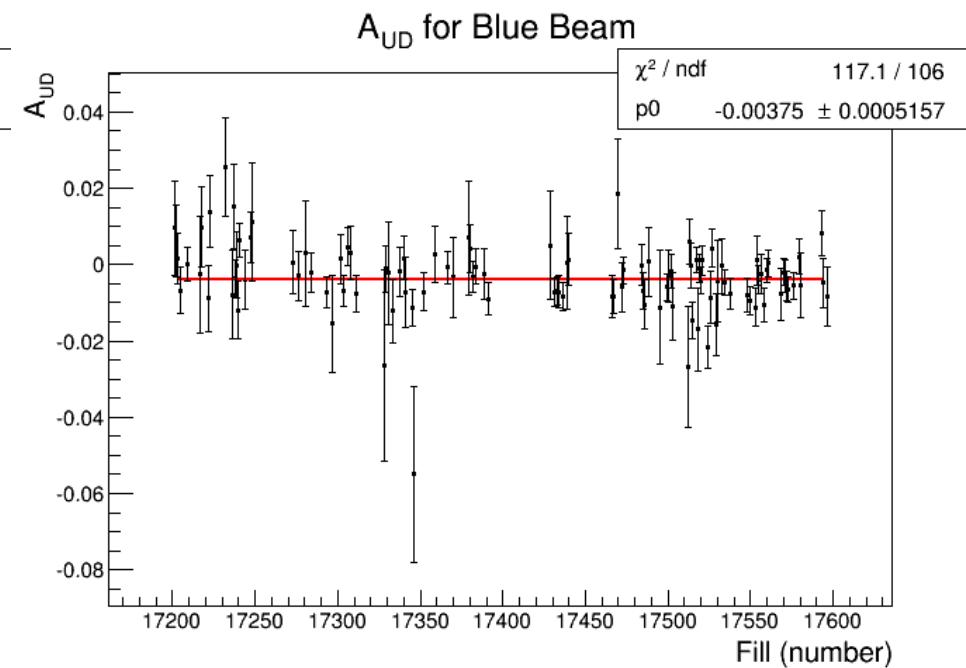
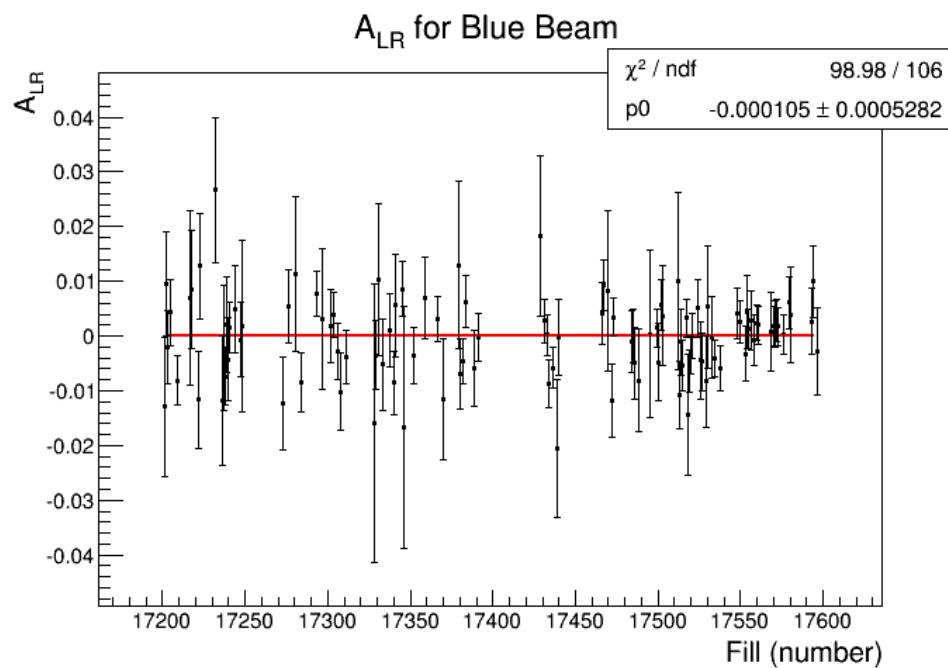
# $A_{LR,UD}$ of Longitudinal Fills - Yellow



Yellow beam:

$$A_{LR} = -0.0005616 \pm 0.0005431$$
$$A_{UD} = 0.0003418 \pm 0.0005102$$

# $A_{LR,UD}$ of Longitudinal Fills - Blue



Blue beam:

$$A_{LR} = -0.000105 \pm 0.0005282$$
$$A_{UD} = -0.00375 \pm 0.0005157$$

# Statistical Uncertainty (1)

$A_{LR}, A_{UD}$  close to 0, order of statistical uncertainty

$\frac{p_T}{p}, \frac{p_L}{p}$  has limitation : [0,1]

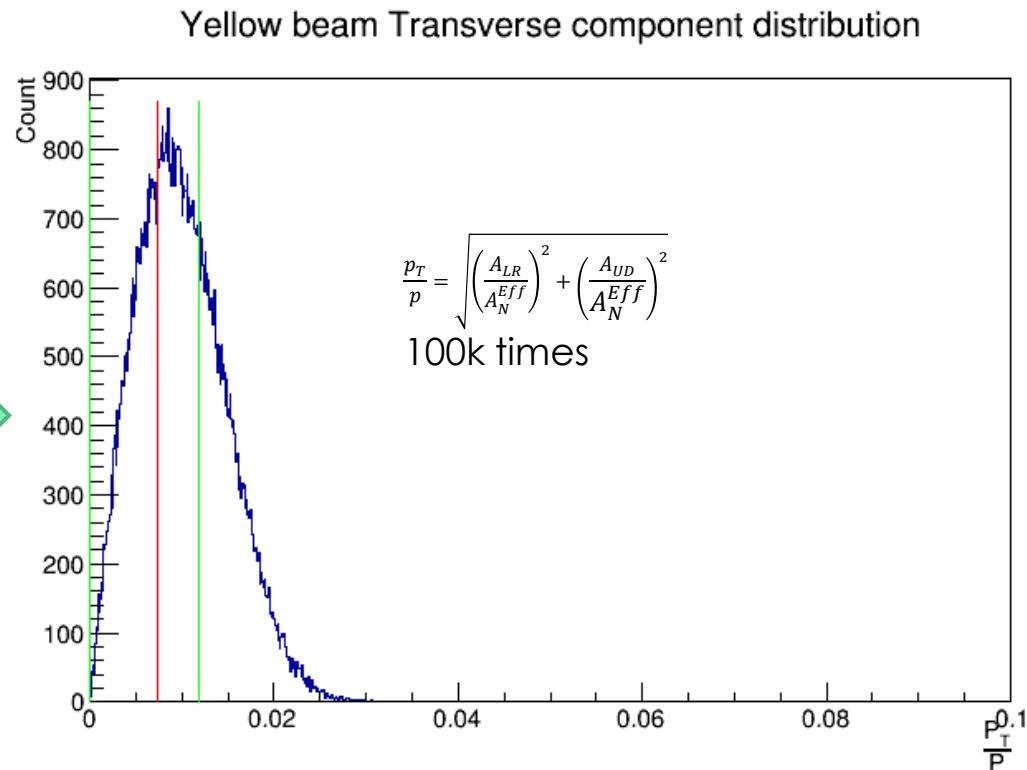
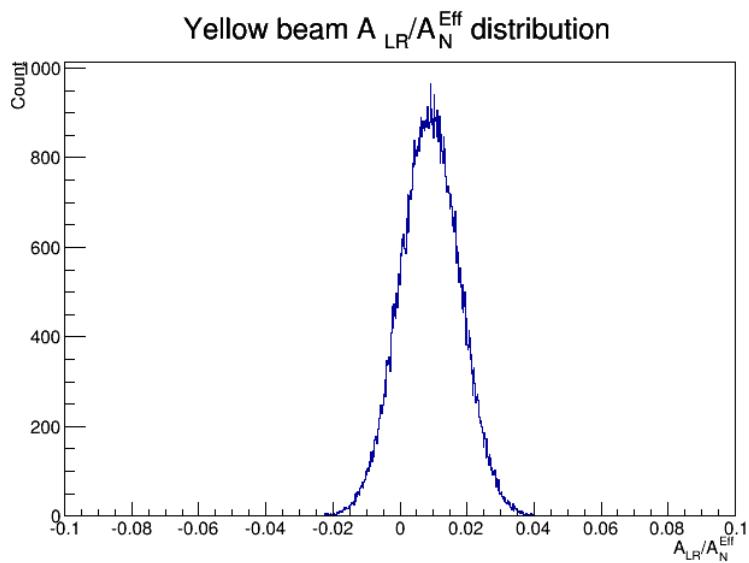
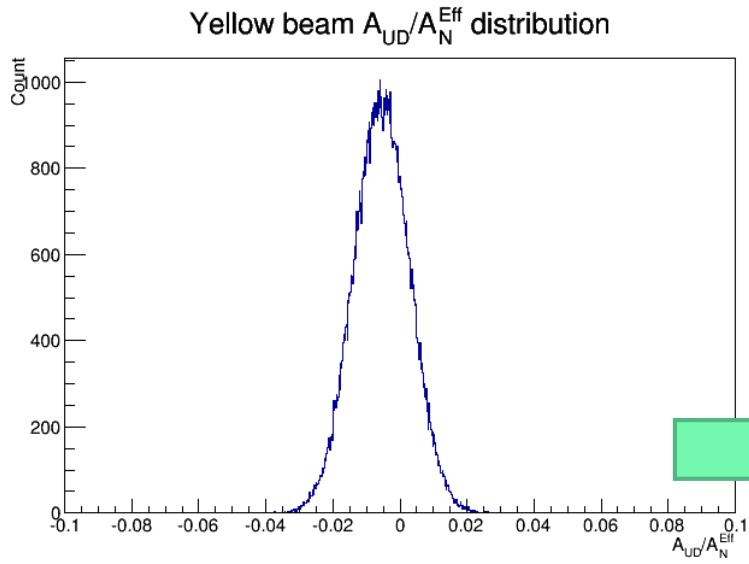
-> Error propagation not work

Solution:

1. make random Gaussian distribution of  $\frac{A_{LR}}{A_N^{Eff}}, \frac{A_{UD}}{A_N^{Eff}}$

2. Sample 100k event to make  $\frac{p_T}{p}, \frac{p_L}{p}$  distribution

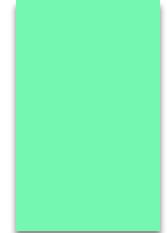
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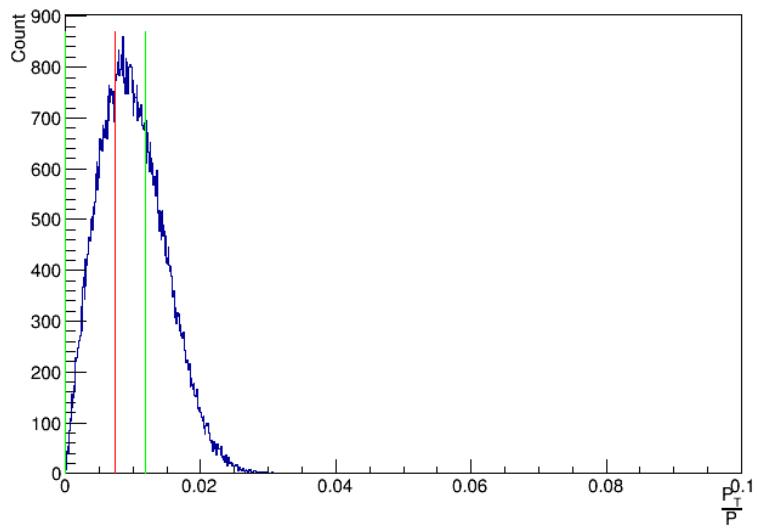
Result w/ stat. : (Yellow beam, Blue beam)

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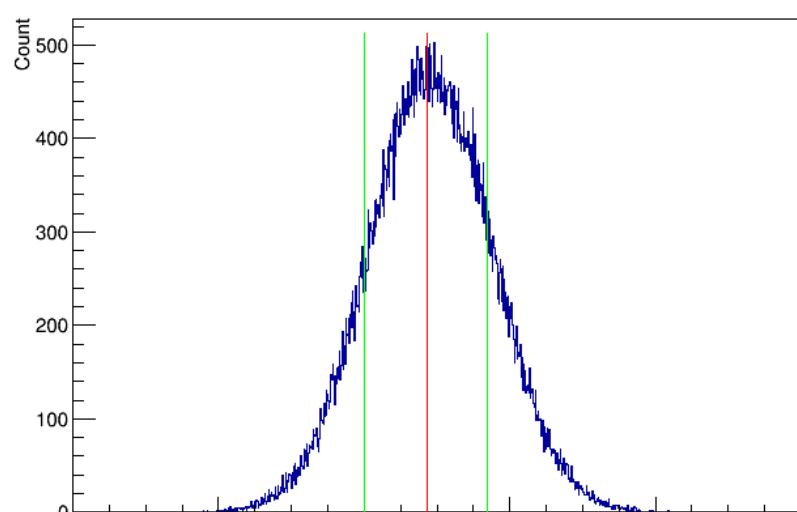
$$\frac{p_T}{p} = 0.048686^{+0.008164}_{-0.008736}, \frac{p_L}{p} = 0.998814^{+0.000386}_{-0.000436}$$



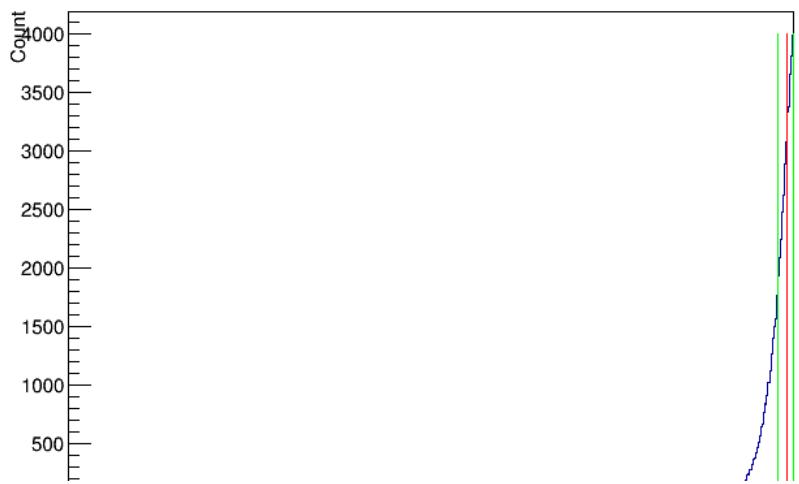
Yellow beam Transverse component distribution



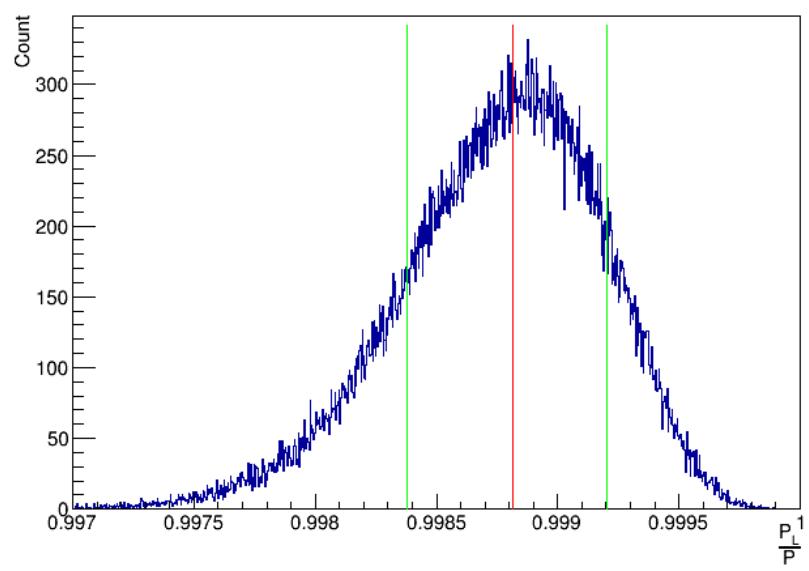
Blue beam Transverse component distribution



Yellow beam Longitudinal component distribution



Blue beam Longitudinal component distribution



# Systematic Uncertainty

## 1. SMD gain calibration

- Compare results using p1 and p3 -> Not significant

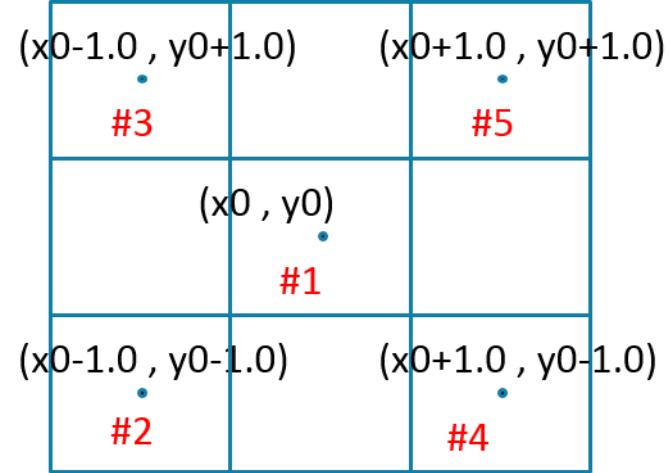
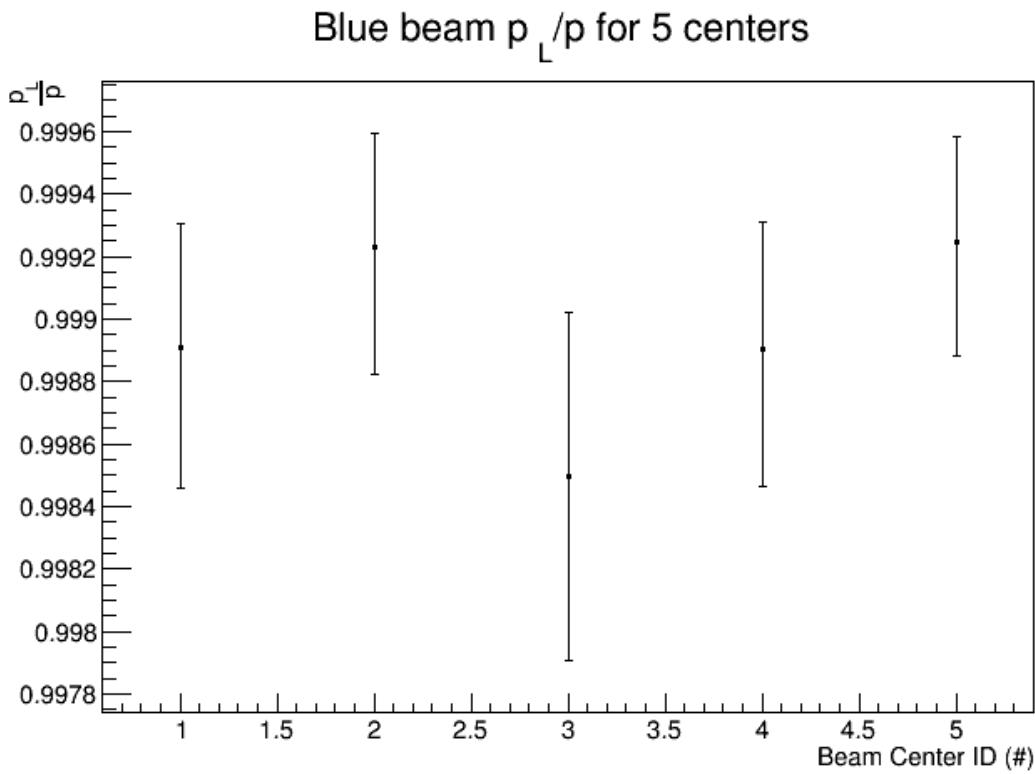
## 2. Beam center uncertainty

- Estimated beam shift during the run: 2~3 mm
- Conservatively assigned by results at  $\pm 1$  cm from the determined center

## 3. Energy fitting range uncertainty

- Conservatively assigned by result using 100-300 GeV fitting range

# Beam center uncertainty



#1 : center  
(values in cm)

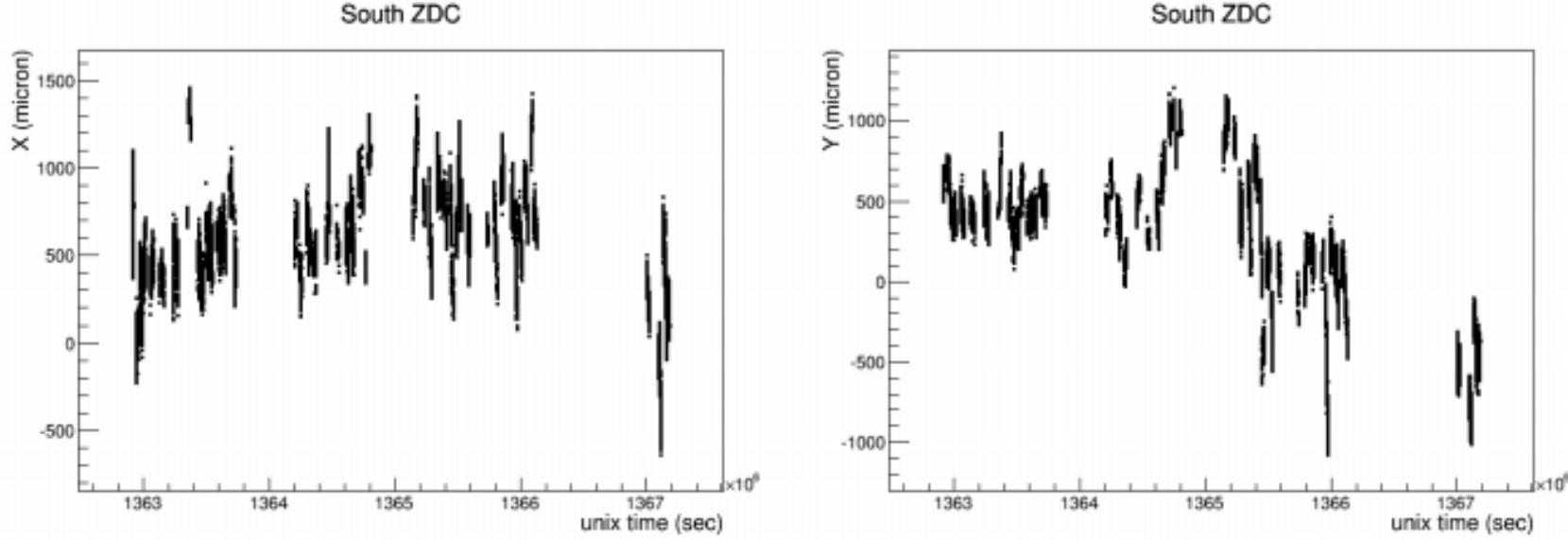


Figure 25: Beam center at the south ZDC represented in BPM's coordinate system.

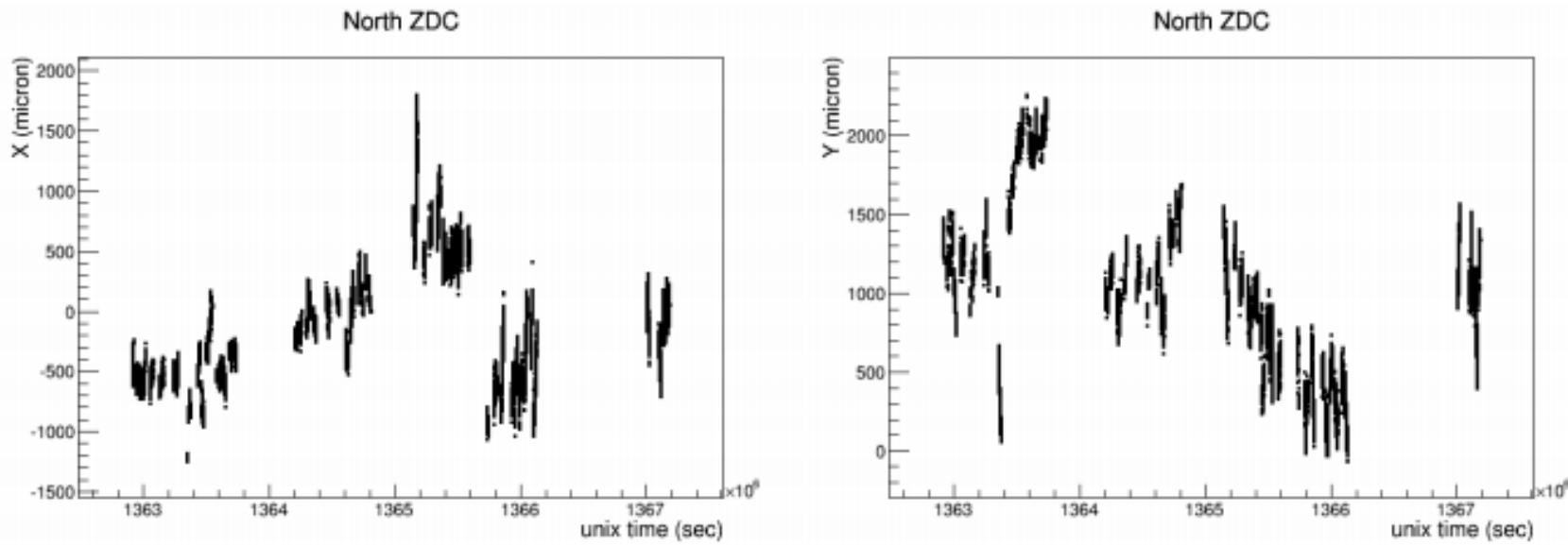


Figure 26: Beam center at the north ZDC represented in BPM's coordinate system.