

$A_{LL}^{\pi^{\pm}}$ at mid-rapidity in polarized p+p
at $\sqrt{s} = 510$ GeV with PHENIX

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Introduction : Spin Composition of Proton

- Naive model:

- Proton spin carried out only by valence quarks.

- Experiments in the 1980s, showed that quarks contribute only ~30% of proton spin. → Spin Crisis!

- Current understanding:

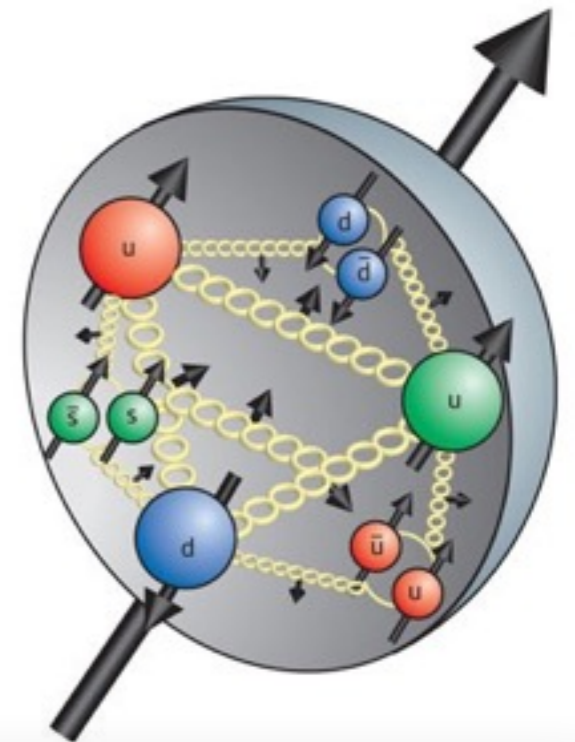
$$\textit{Proton Spin} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta\Sigma + \boxed{\Delta G} + L_{q+g}$$

- ΔG :

- Largely unconstrained.

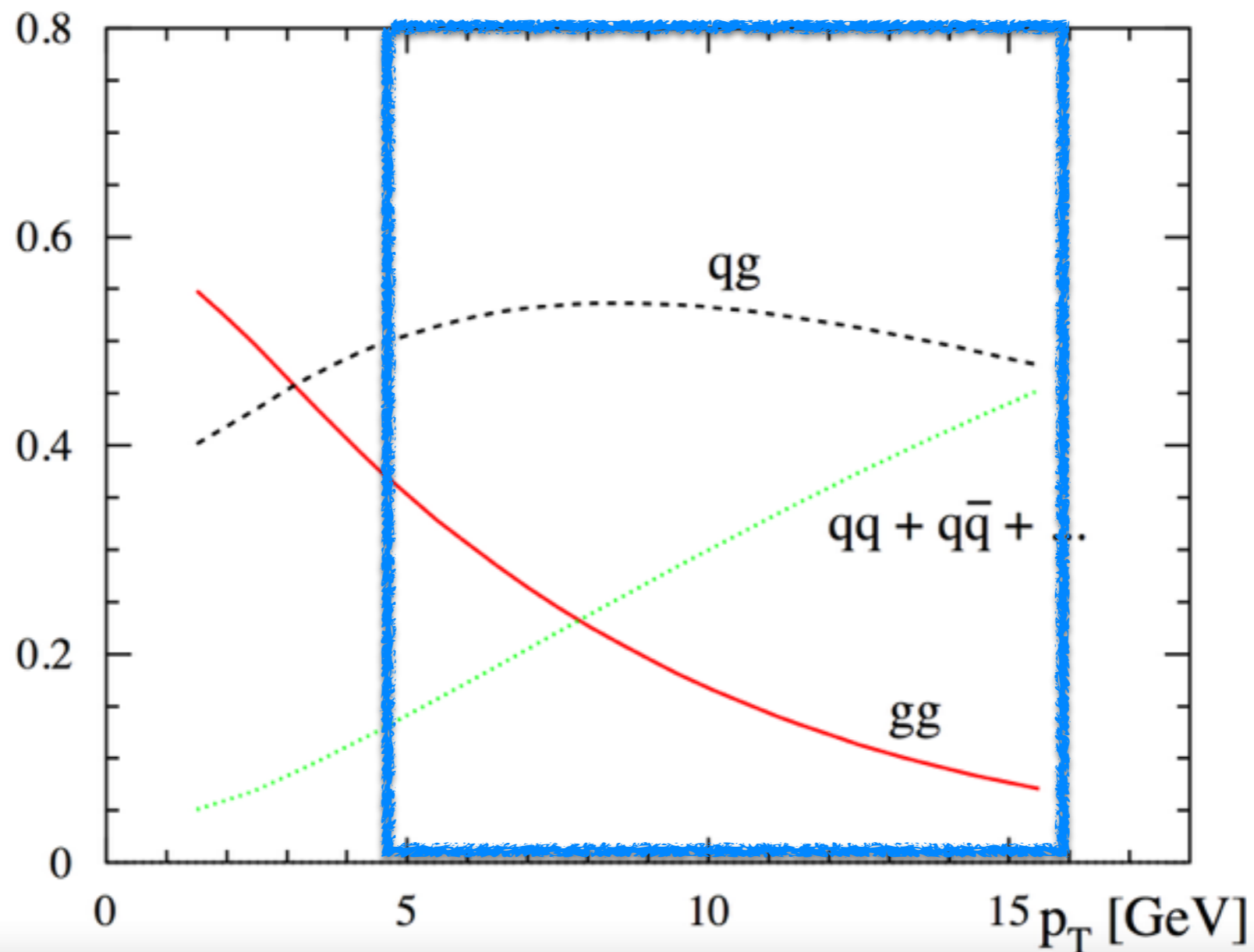
- has been measured by various probes:

- π^0 , π^\pm , η , γ_{direct} and e from heavy flavor.



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If we also assume a favored fragmentation for π^+ and π^- ,

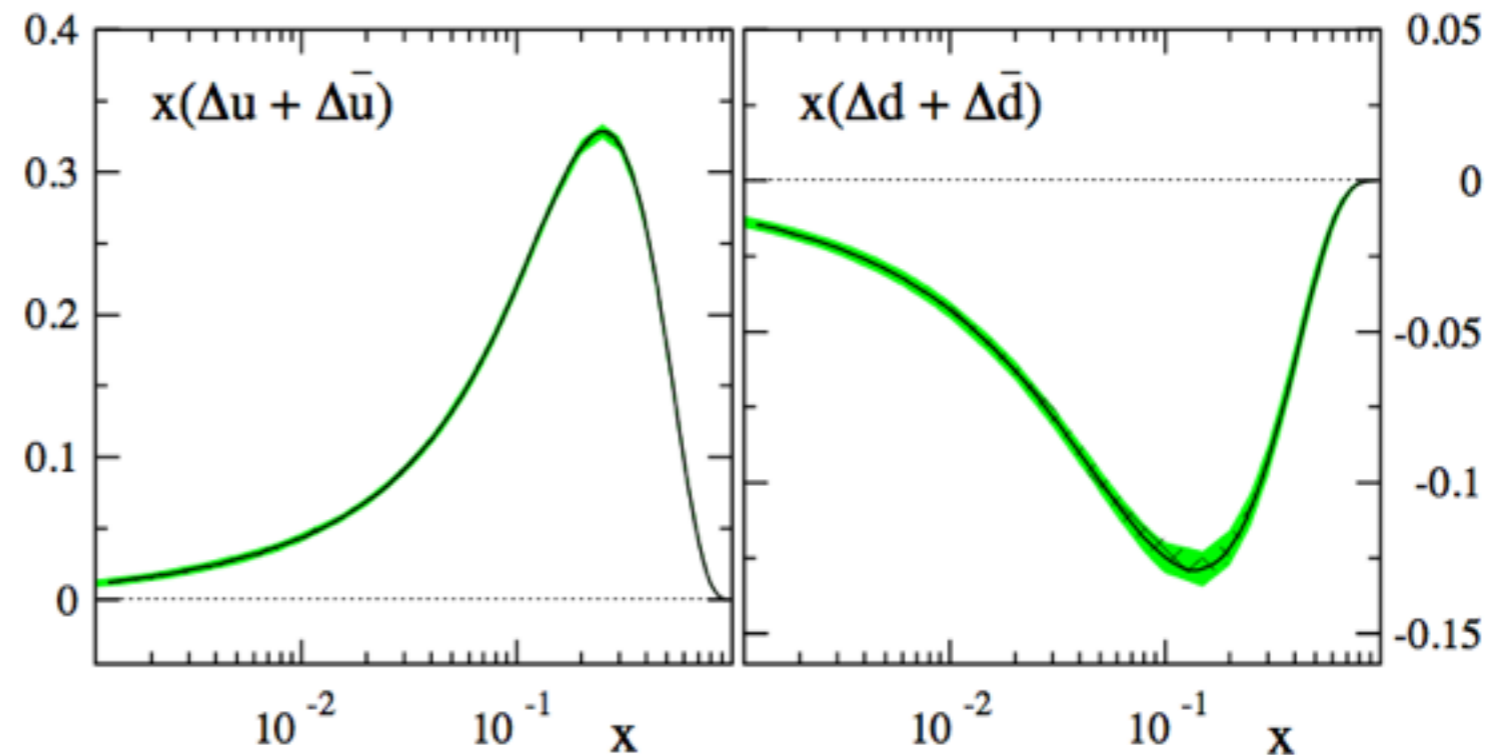
$$D_{u, \bar{d}}^{\pi^+} \gg D_{\bar{u}, d, s, \bar{s}}^{\pi^+} \quad D_{d, \bar{u}}^{\pi^-} \gg D_{\bar{d}, u, s, \bar{s}}^{\pi^-}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} a_{qg} &> 0 \\ \Delta u &> 0 \\ \Delta d &< 0 \end{aligned}$$

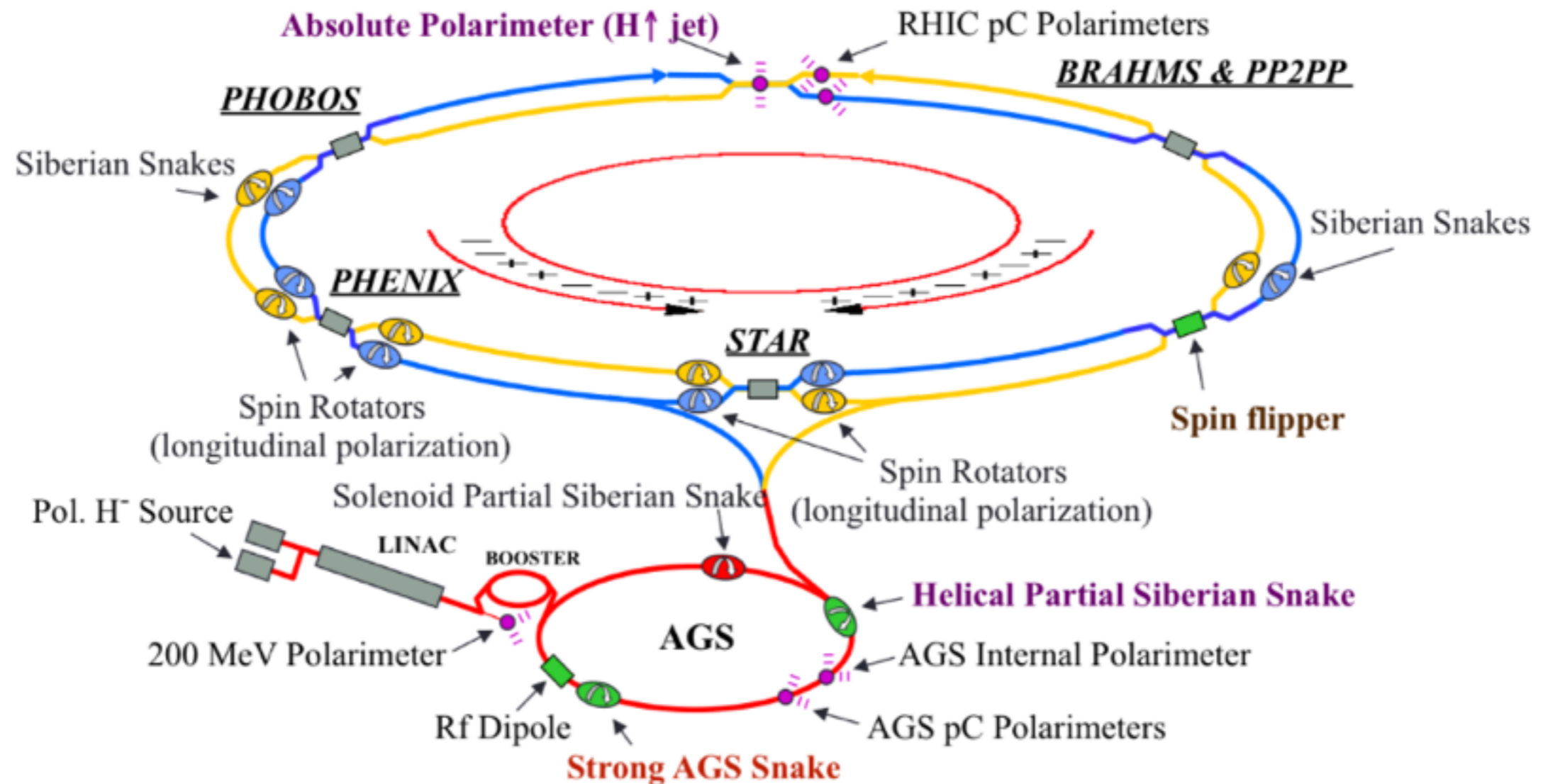


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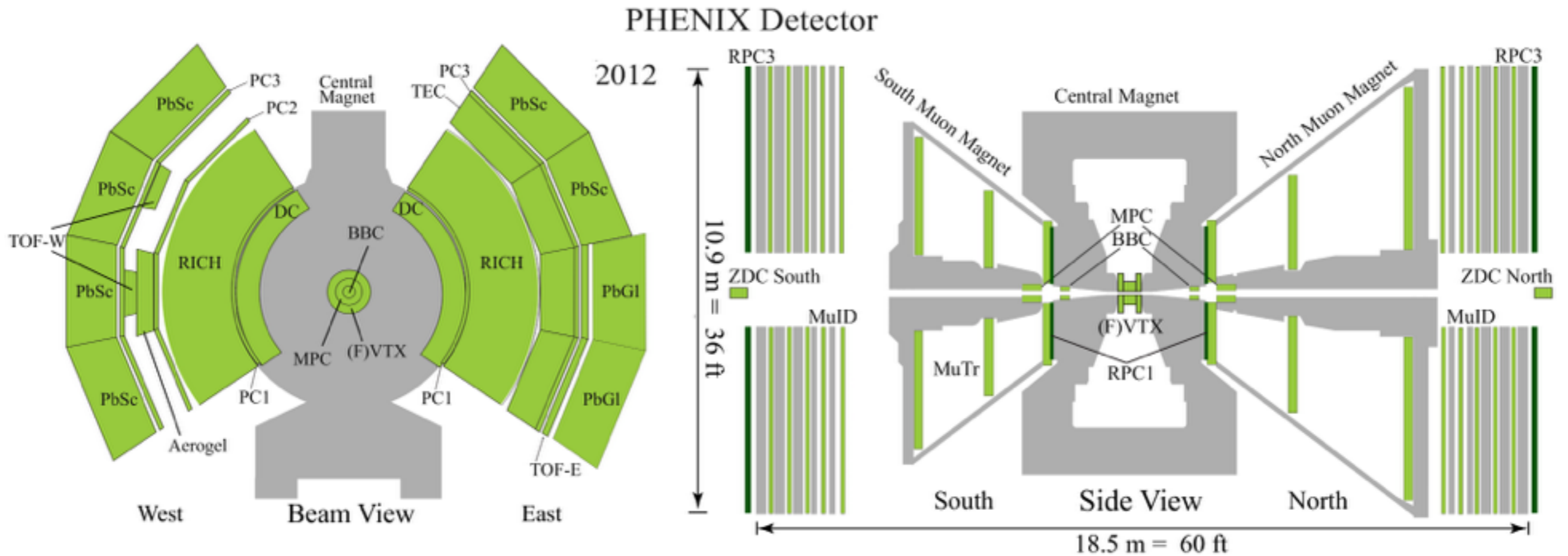
$$\Delta g > 0 \rightarrow A_{LL}^{\pi^+} > A_{LL}^{\pi^-} \quad \text{and vice versa}$$

RHIC



- World FIRST polarized p+p collider
 - Up to $\sqrt{s} = 510$ GeV
 - Integrated luminosity 150 pb^{-1} , polarization $\sim 56\%$ at $\sqrt{s} = 510$ GeV (2013)
 - Longitudinal or transverse polarization

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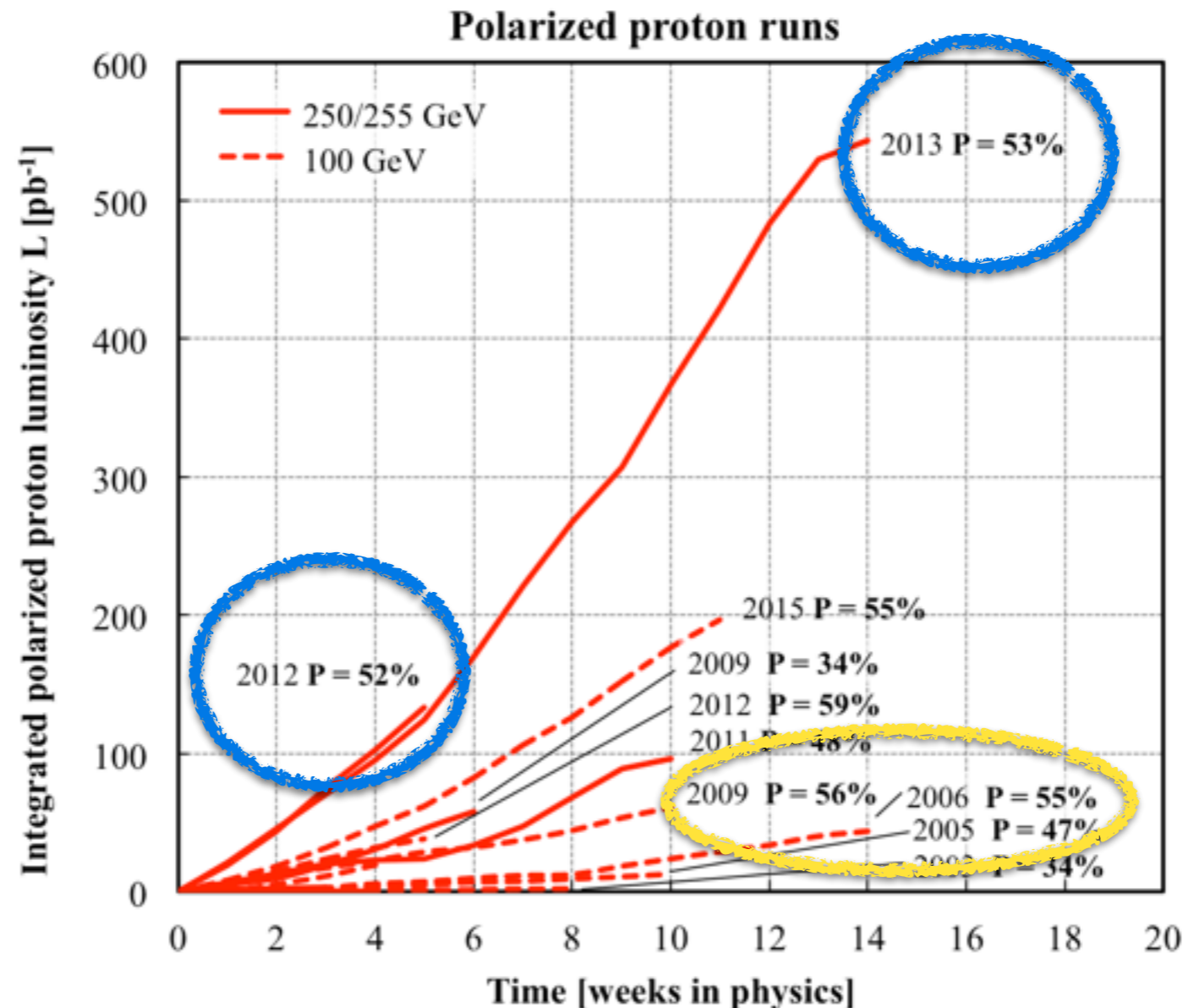
- Tracking
 - VTX, DC and PC

- PID
 - RICH and EMCal

- Luminosity
 - BBC and ZDC

- Acceptance
 - $|\eta| < 0.35$, $\Delta\phi = 2 \times \pi/2$

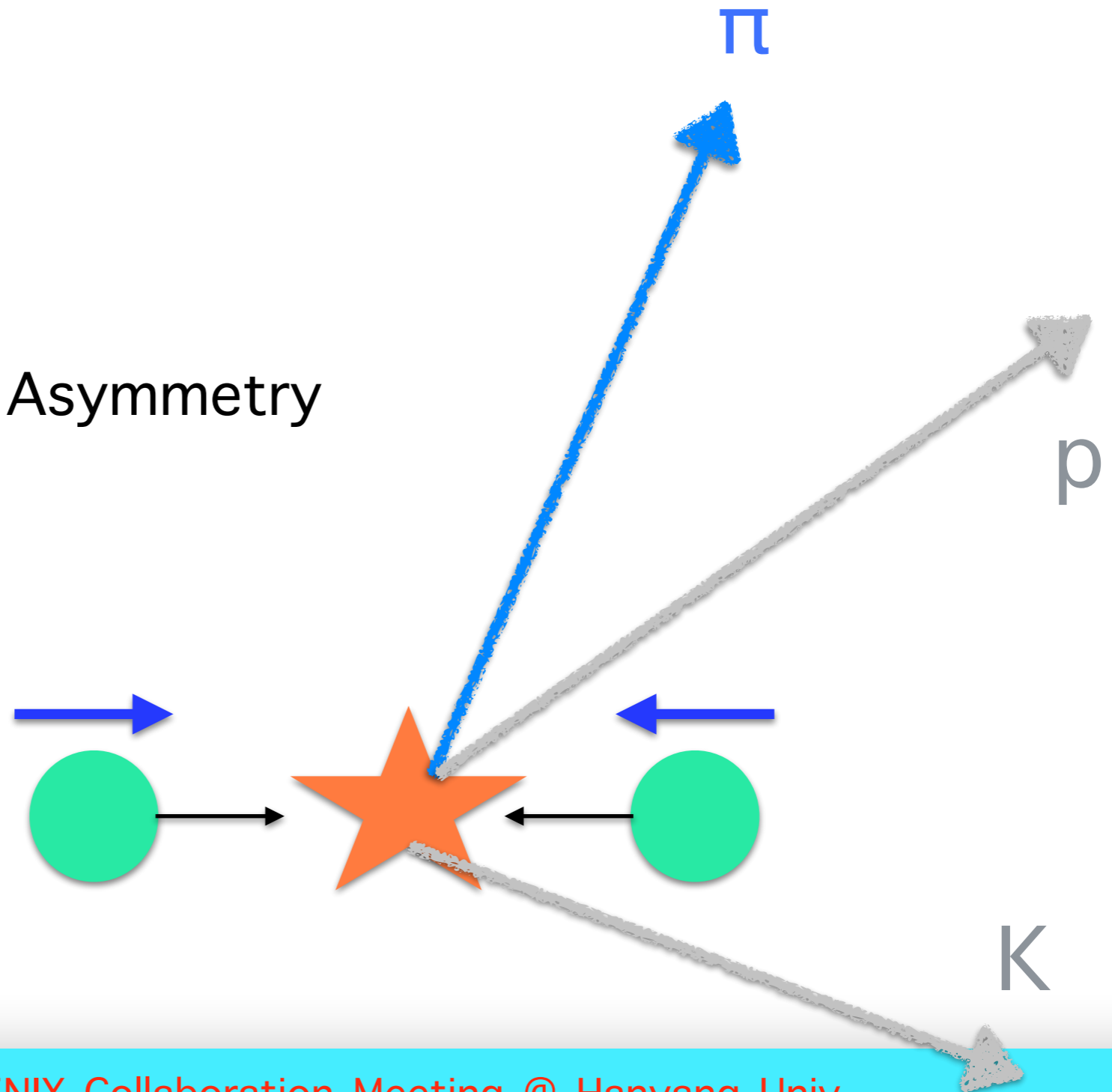
Datasets



- 20(2012) and 108(2013) pb^{-1} polarized p+p data available.
- In 2013 dataset, charged pion analysis with $\sim 4\text{G}$ events analysed.
- Triggering : “EMCal” and “EMCal RICH” Triggers used.

Analysis procedure

1. Data selection
2. Event cut
3. Particle ID
4. Measurement of Asymmetry



(1) Data selection

- Data sample: Run13 510 GeV pp **ERT**
- 1008 physics runs available in AnaTrain
- **782** runs passed QA and analyzed
- ERT triggers analysed:
 - ERTLL1_4x4a&BBCLL1 (noVtx)
 - ERT_4x4b
 - ERT_4x4c&BBCLL1 (noVtx)
 - ERTLL1_E&BBCLL1 (narrow)

(1) Data selection

- At this moment I analyzed 782 runs passed by Inseok.
 1. DAQ time > 10 minutes
 2. Live time > 0.5
 3. Only runs in the spin database
 4. Polarization on both beams > 10%
 5. GL1p and Starscaler agreement
 - $0.998 < \text{GL1p scaler counts} / \text{Star scaler counts} < 1.002$
 - Chi2 of constant fitting on the ratio above < 2.5×10^3

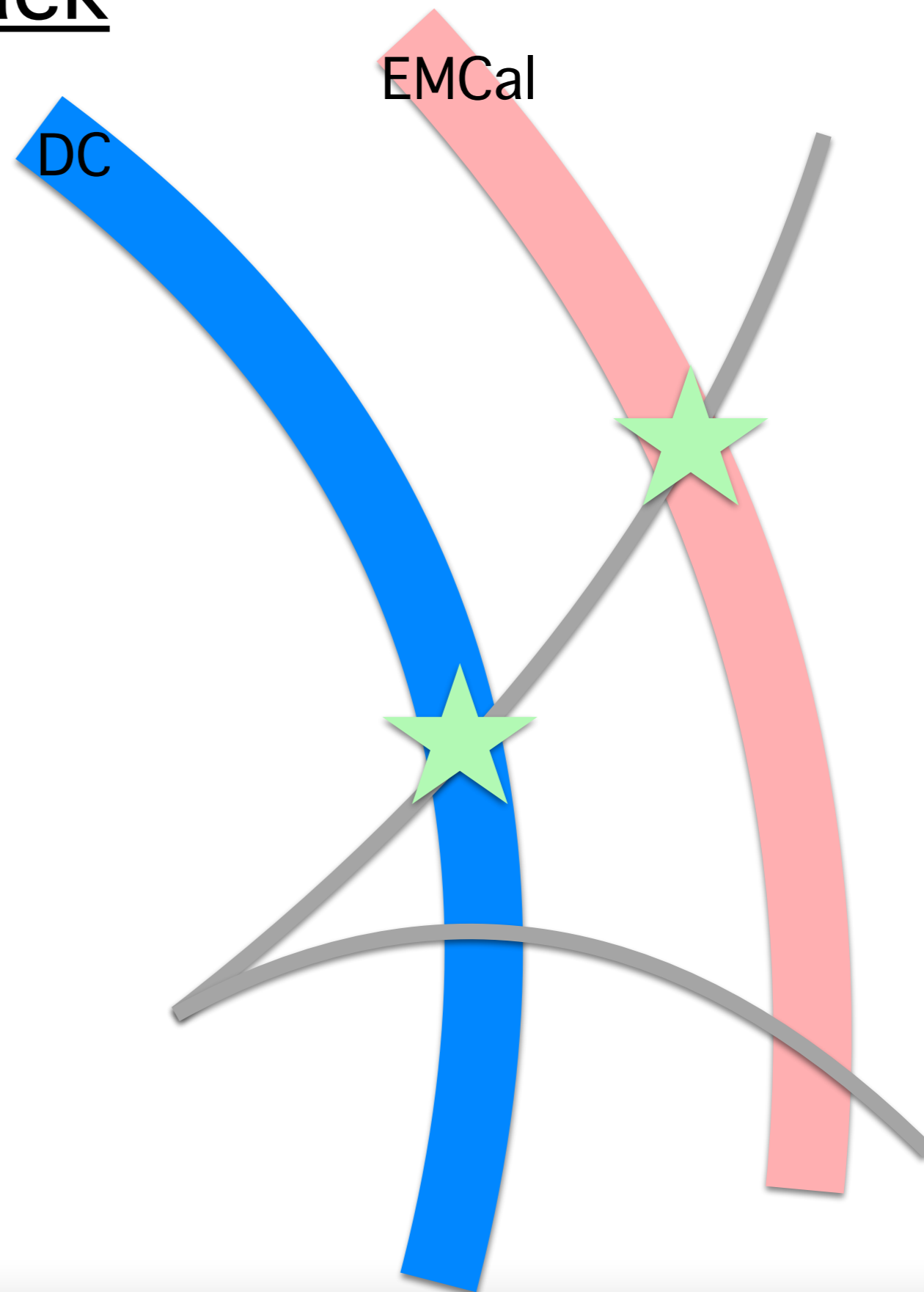
(2) Event cuts

- Event cut:
 - $IBBCZI < 30\text{cm}$
 - ERTLL1_4x4a&BBCLL1(noVtx)
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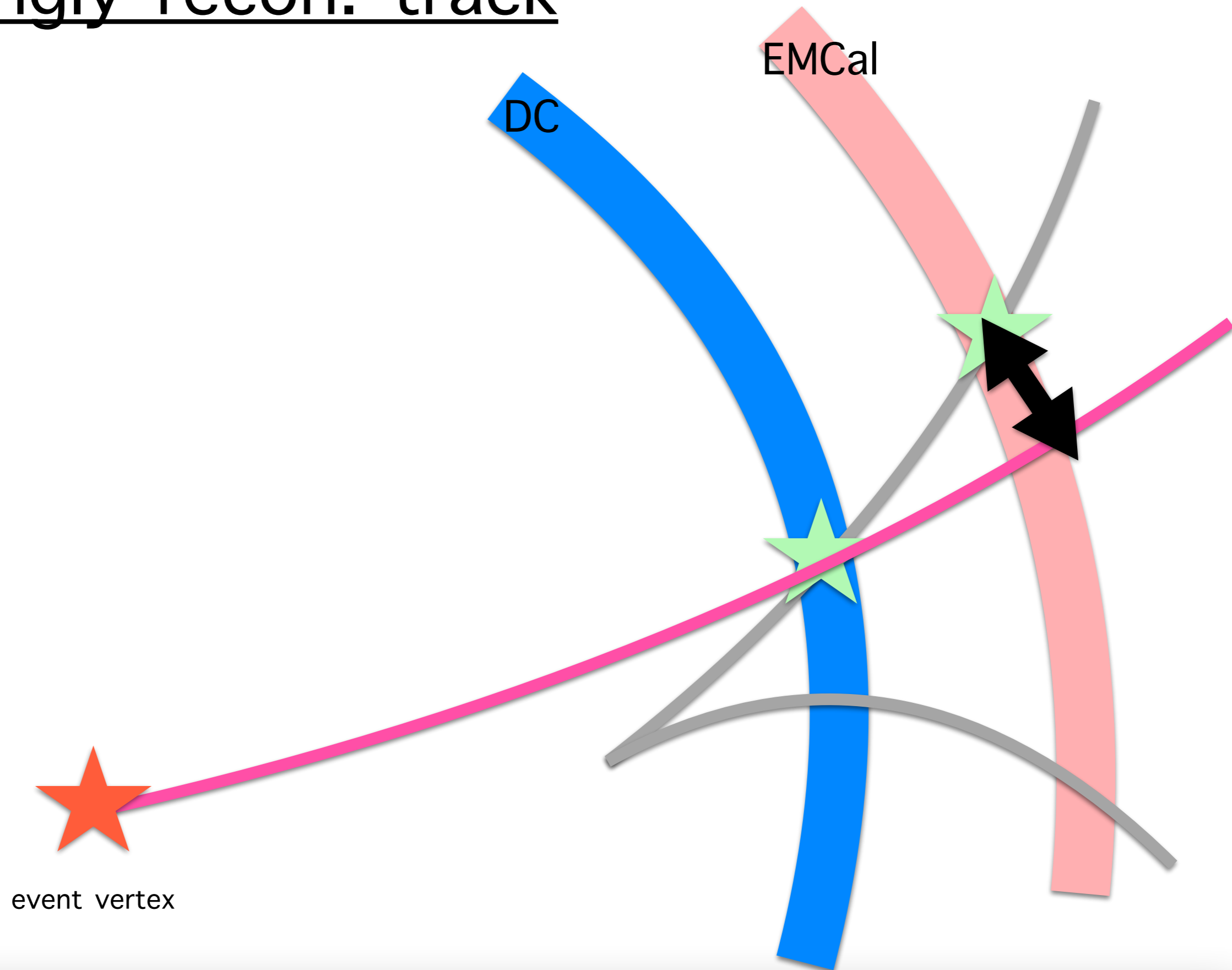
(3) π^\pm ID - Background sources

- e^\pm from the collision vertex and beam pipe conversions
 - primary e^\pm/π^\pm and μ^\pm/π^\pm production ratios $< 10^{-3}$ [ANA311]
 - $emce/mom < 0.9$ & EM shower shape cut < 0.2
- Fake track & π^\pm from hadron shower at pole tips
 - DC track quality = 31 or 63, and IDC zedl < 75 cm
- Charged hadron: K ($>16.5\text{GeV}$) and p ($>29\text{GeV}$)
 - RICH PMT hit (N1) > 0
- “Fake” high p_T backgrounds by decay-in-flight and photon conversion
 - require large energy deposition in EMCal \rightarrow p_T dependent $emce$
 - EMCal and PC3 matching cuts

Wrongly recon. track



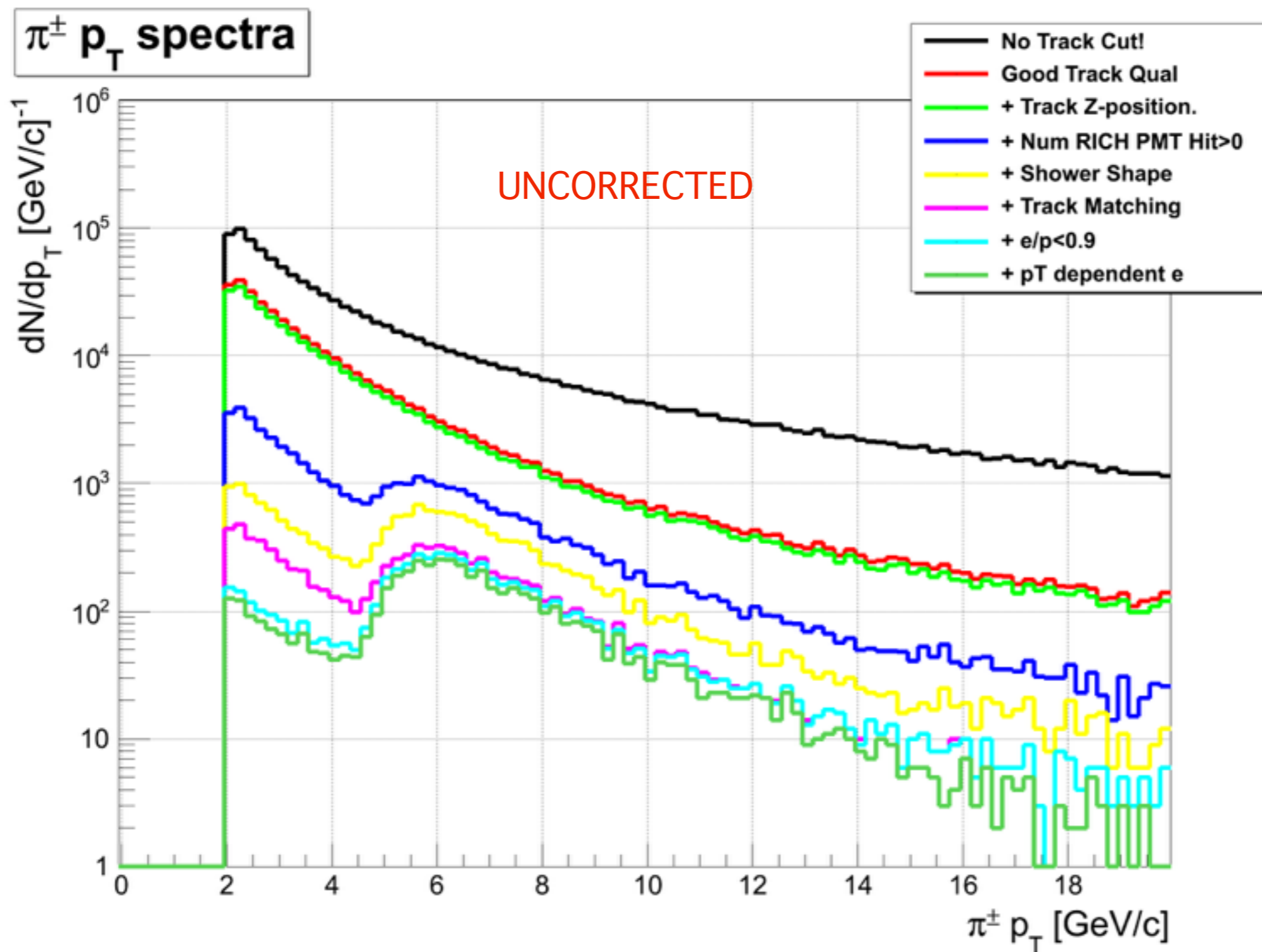
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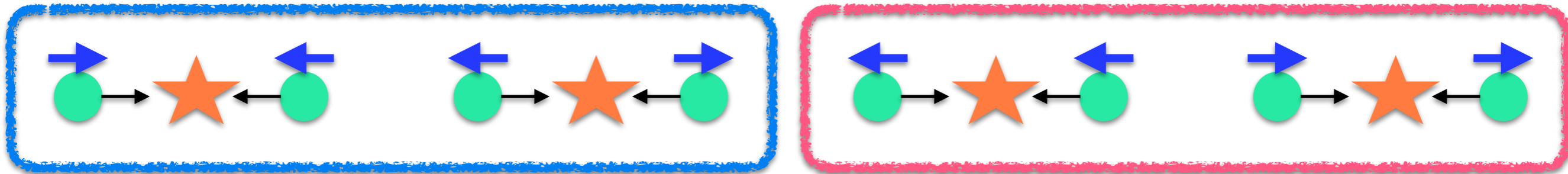
- Track cuts:
 - RICH n1 > 0
 - emce/mom < 0.9
 - emce > 0.3 + 0.15pT
 - prob < 0.2
 - DC track quality = 31 || 63
 - IDC track zedl < 75cm (Sookhyun applied ± 70 cm cut)
 - 3 sigma PC3 and EMcal matching cuts

Particle ID (one data sample)



- π^\pm turn on at above 4.7 GeV (threshold p for producing Cerenkov light).

Measuring A_{LL} in experiment

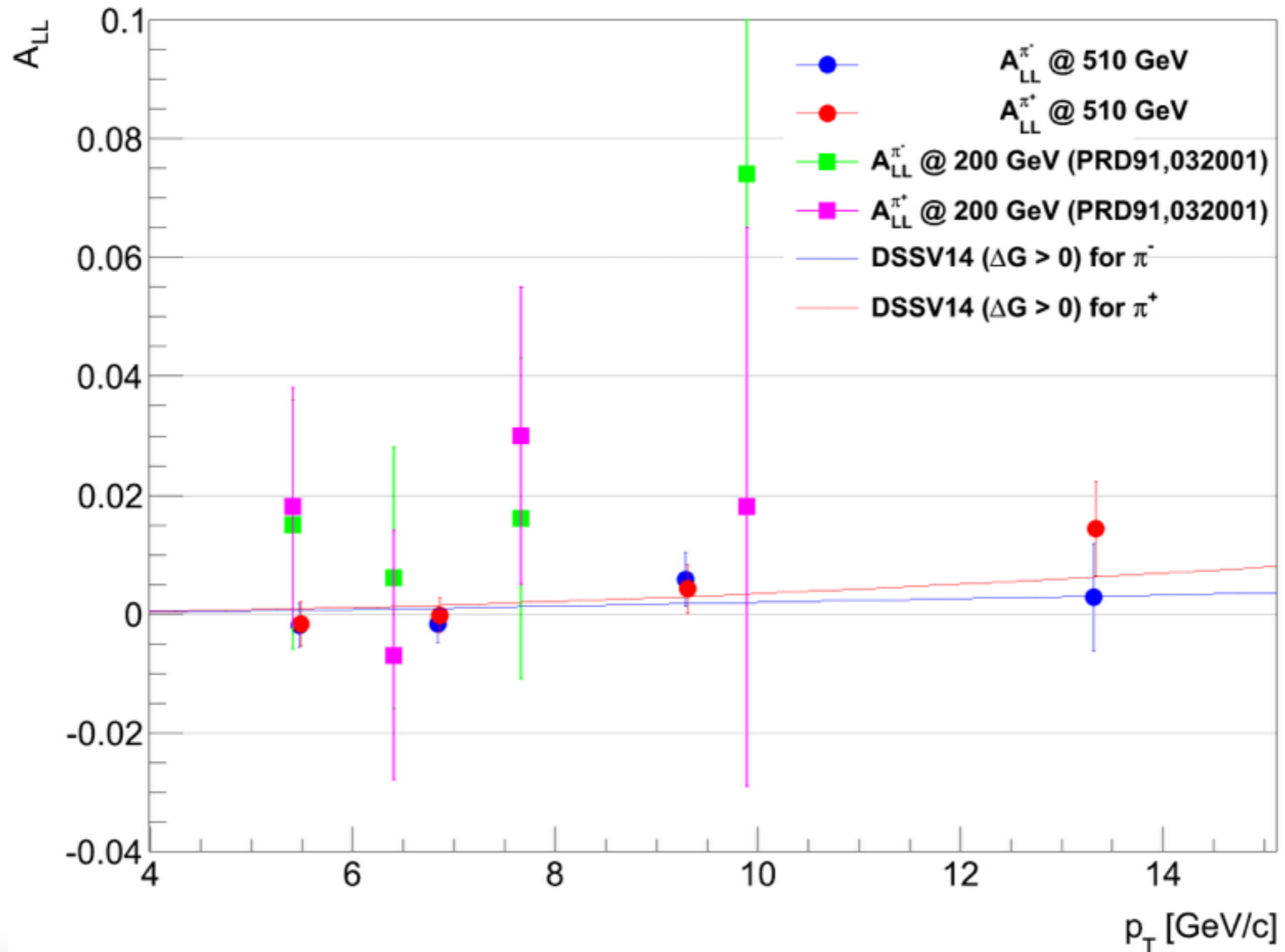


$$A_{LL}^{\pi} = \frac{d\Delta\sigma}{d\sigma} = \frac{1}{|P_B P_Y|} \frac{N_{++} - RN_{+-}}{N_{++} + RN_{+-}}$$

$$R = \frac{L_{++}}{L_{+-}}$$

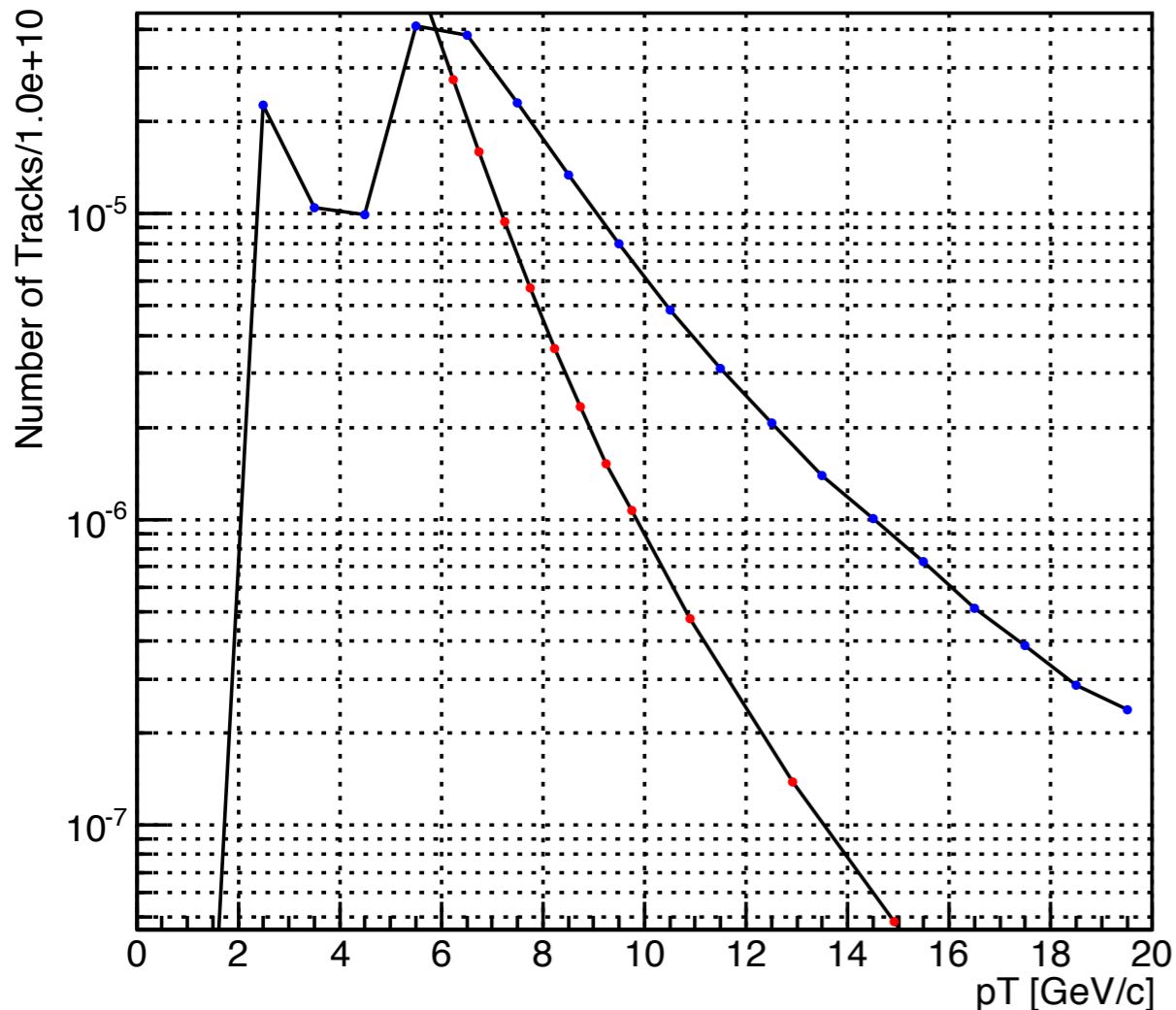
A_{LL}

$\pi^\pm A_{LL}$ at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ and 510 GeV

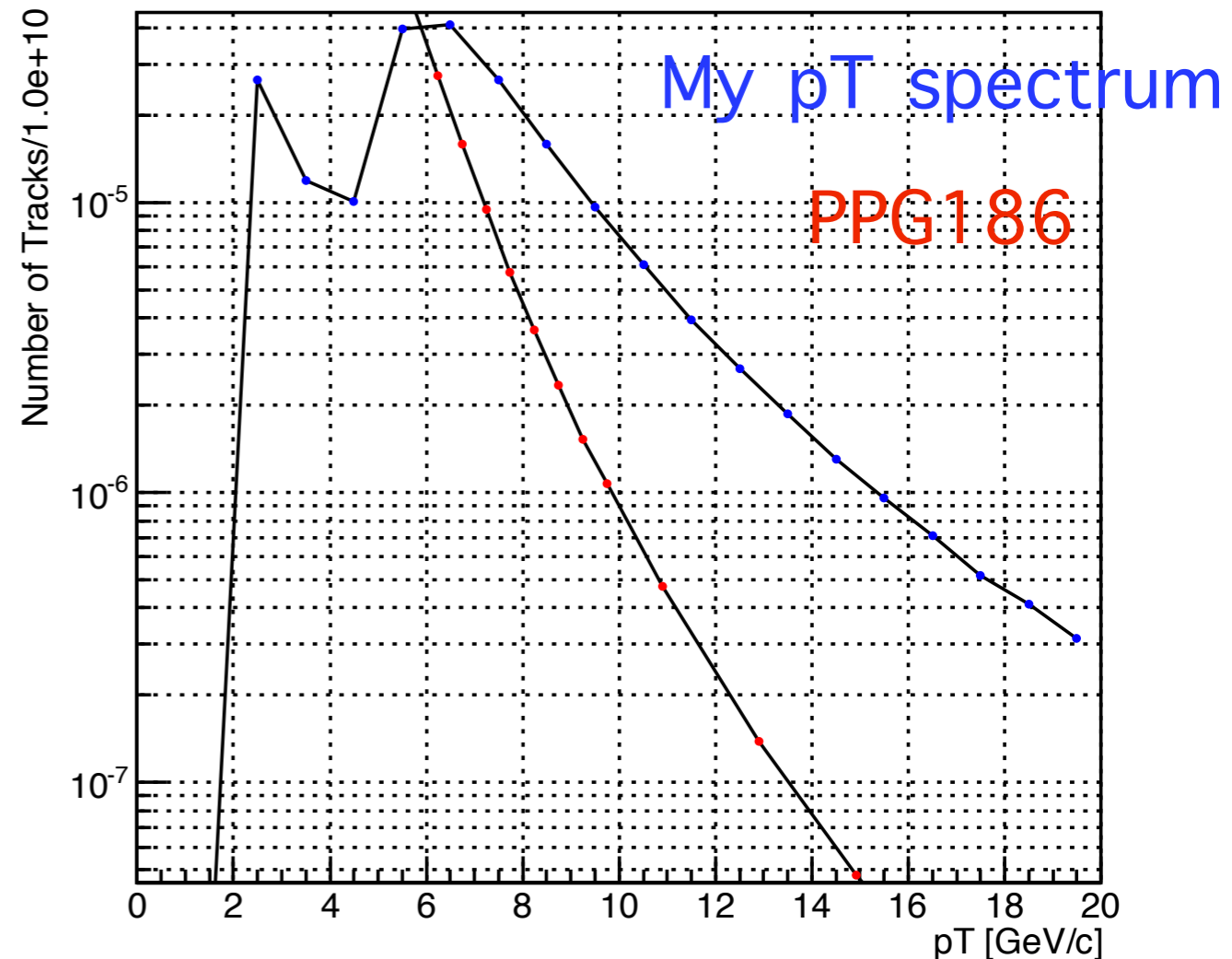


High p_T background

π^- and π^0 p_T spectra

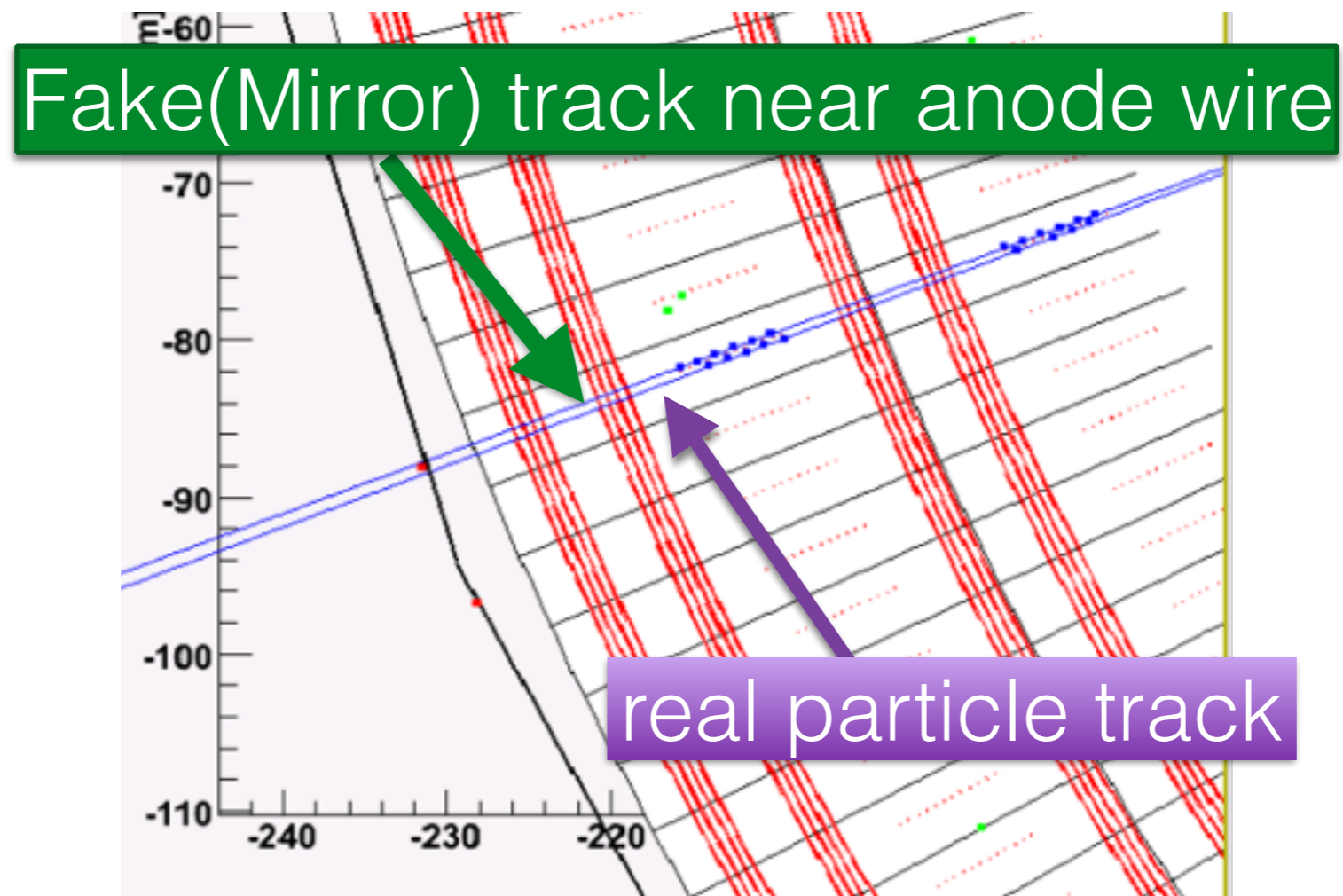


π^+ and π^0 p_T spectra



- My ***Uncorrected p_T spectra** scaled by 1.0e+10 for comparison with PPG186(Pi0 ana).
- There are still remaining backgrounds.
 - decayed particle/photon conversion
 - fake tracks due to left right ambiguity [should be rejected track near anode wire]

Anode wire region



- High p_T particle going through near anode wire region.
- Due to left right ambiguity one more (fake) track might be reconstructed.
- Therefore, this region btw anode and back wires should be masked.

Summary

- Sensitive to the sign and magnitude of ΔG .
- Charged pion analysis with 510 GeV dataset is ongoing.
- Especially working on high p_T background rejection.

Outlook

- The key is to remove high p_T backgrounds as much as possible.
- With improved statistics, expected to contribute to constrain ΔG .
- To cross-check the sign of ΔG with higher C.L., the dataset in 2012 will be analyzed as well.

Thanks!!

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$$A_{LL} = \frac{d\Delta\sigma}{d\sigma} = \sum_{f=q,g} \frac{\Delta f_1}{f_1} \otimes \frac{\Delta f_2}{f_2} \otimes \hat{a}_{LL} \otimes (\text{Fragmentation Functions})$$

