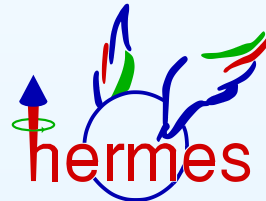


# *The HERMES measurement of transverse single-spin asymmetries*

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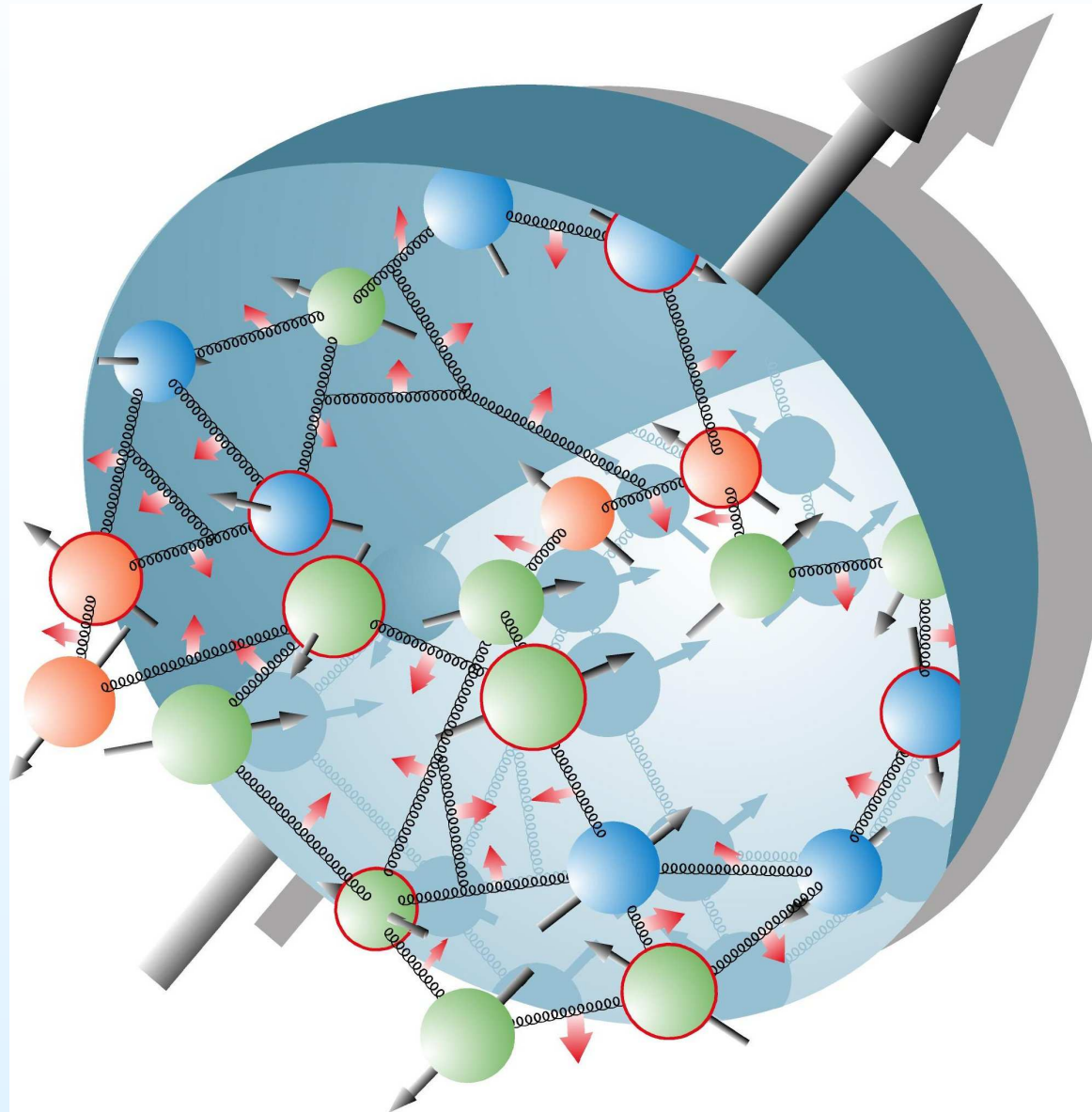


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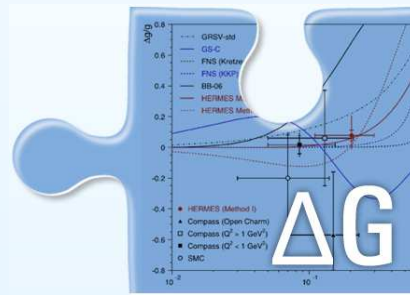
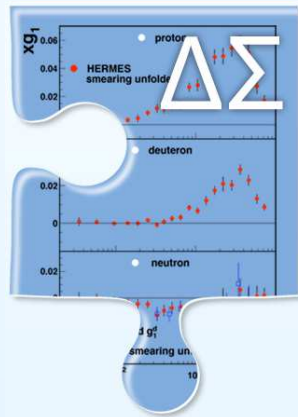


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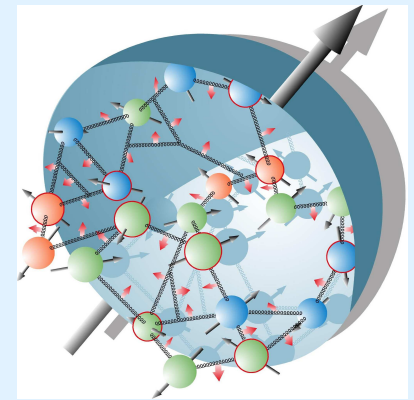
## Angular momentum sum rule:

$$\frac{s_z^N}{\hbar} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta\Sigma + L_q + \Delta G + L_g$$

## HERMES contributions to the spin puzzle:



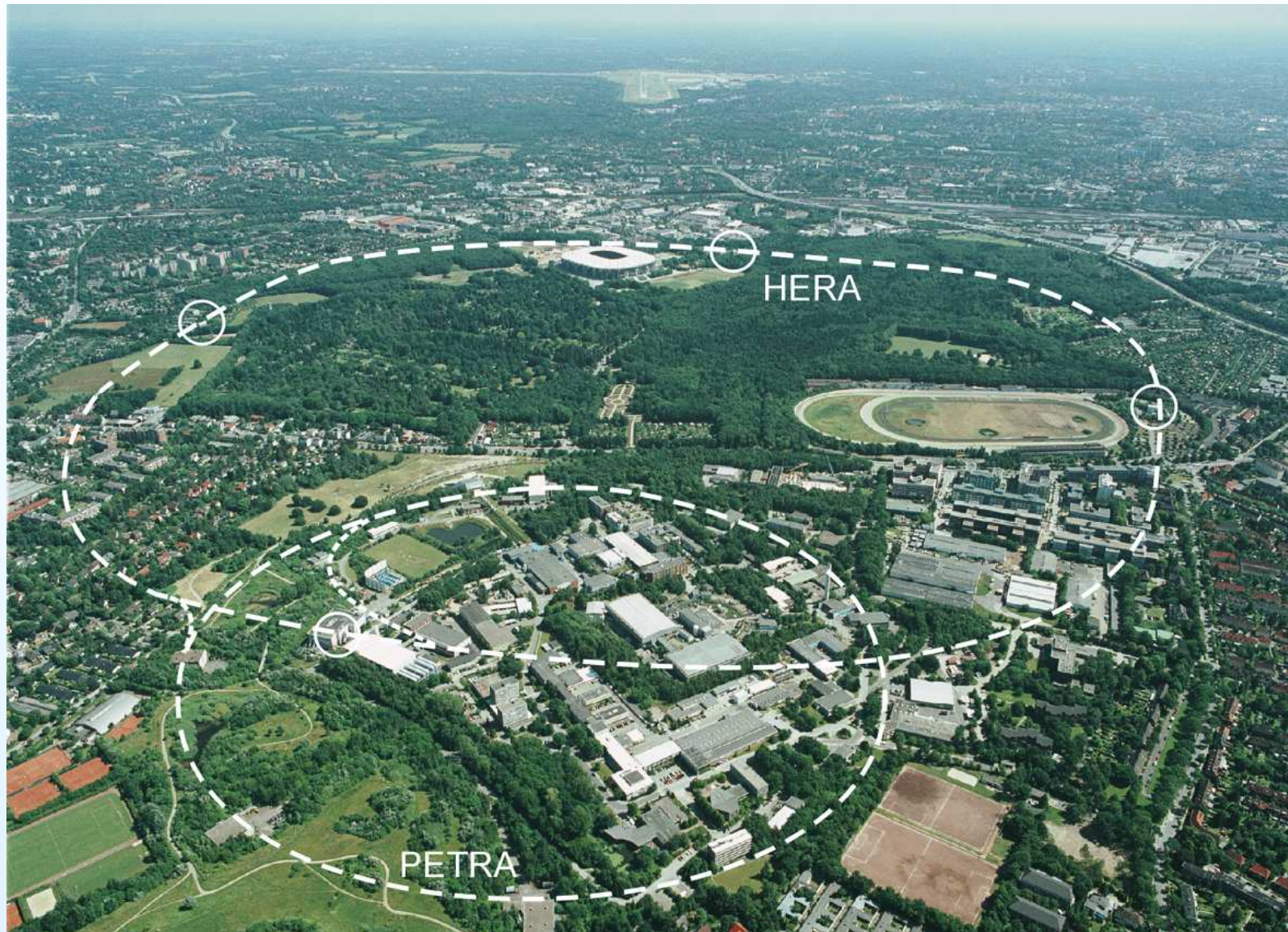
## Spin of the nucleon



## Measurement of transverse spin phenomena:

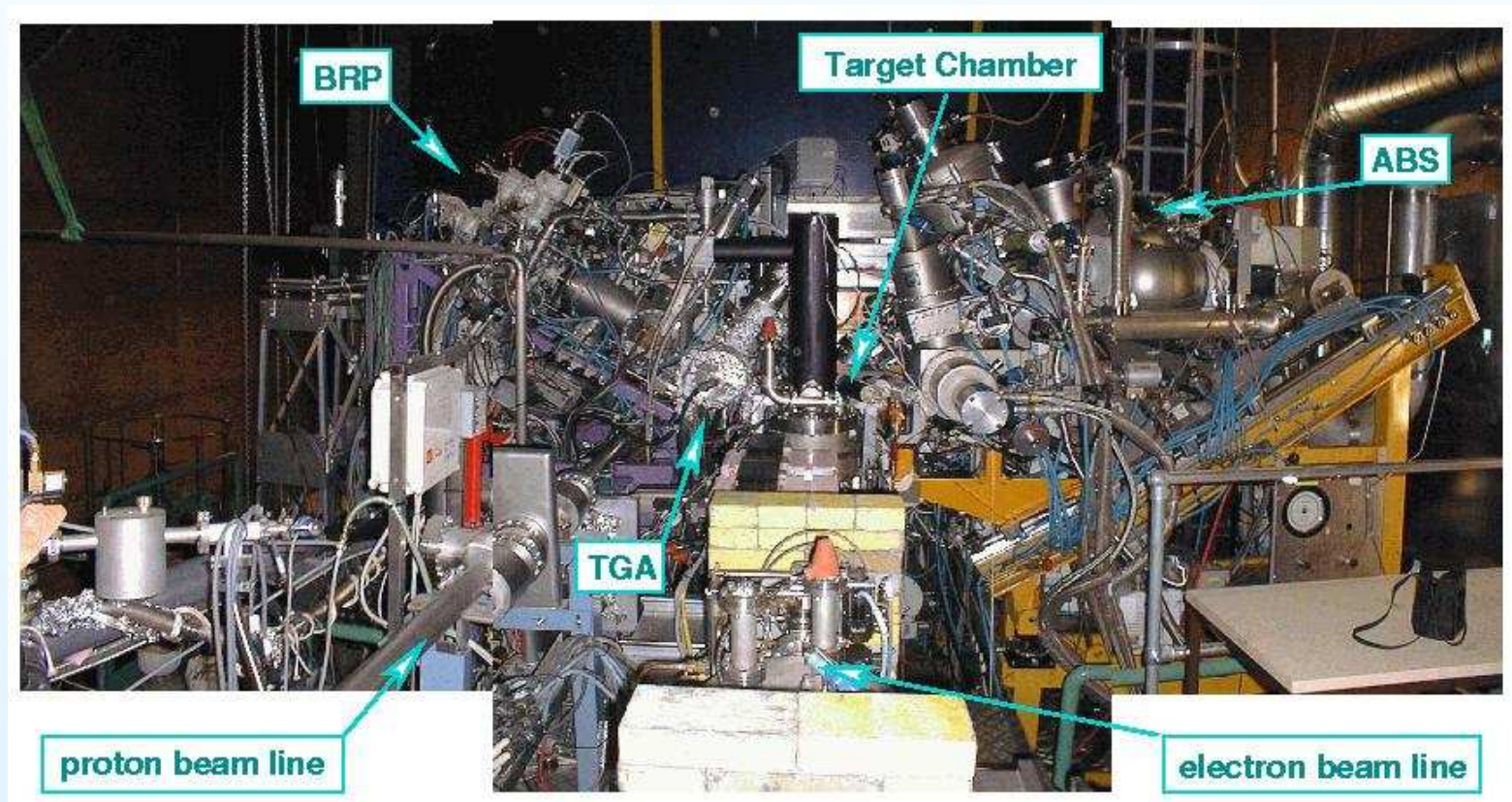
- ➔  $L_q$
- ➔ transversity measurements

# The HERMES (polarised scattering) experiment:



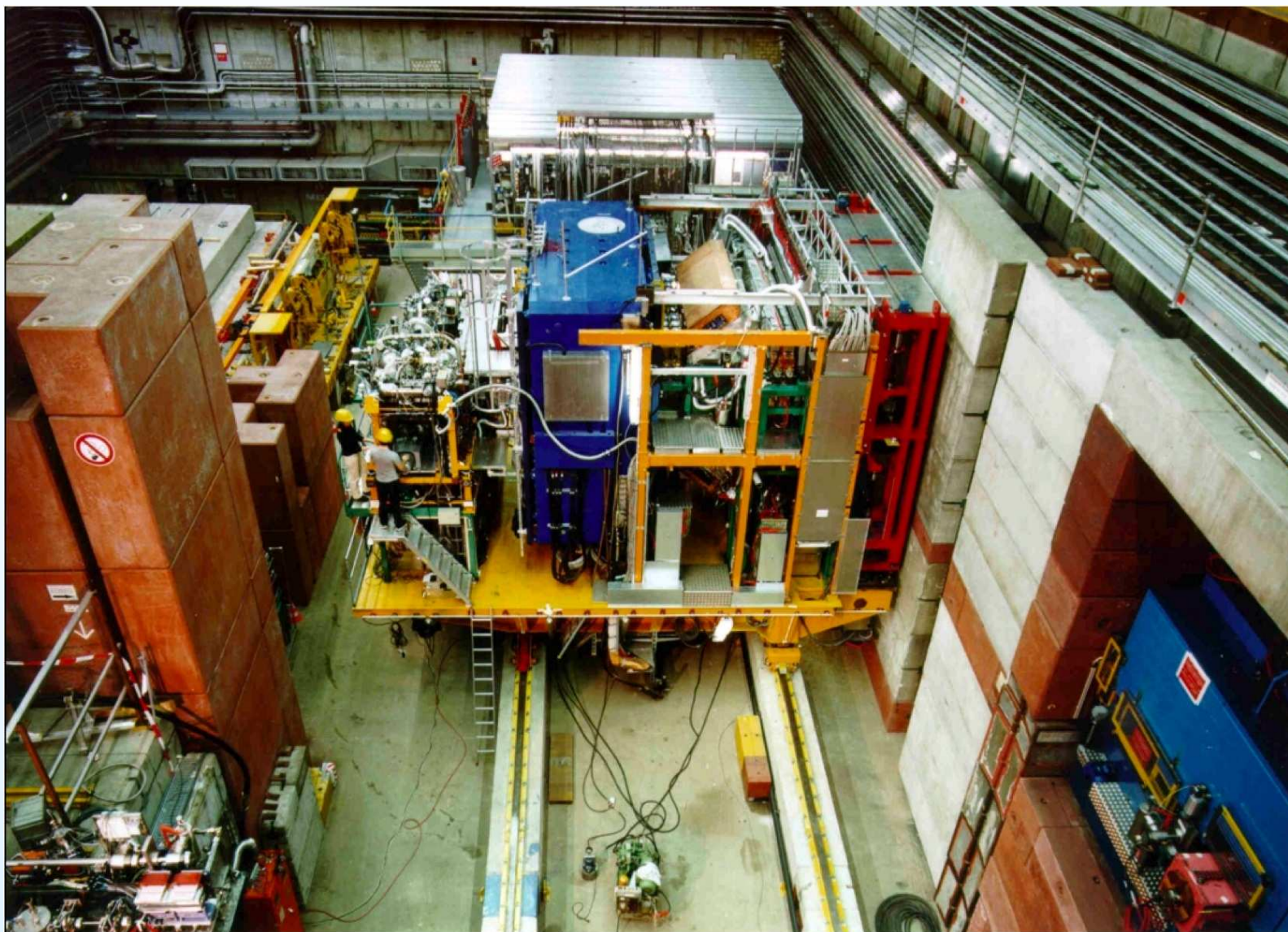
## The transversely polarised target:

- polarised **gas target** internal to the HERA storage ring
- background-free measurements from highly polarised nucleons
- **2002–2005: transversely polarised hydrogen target**

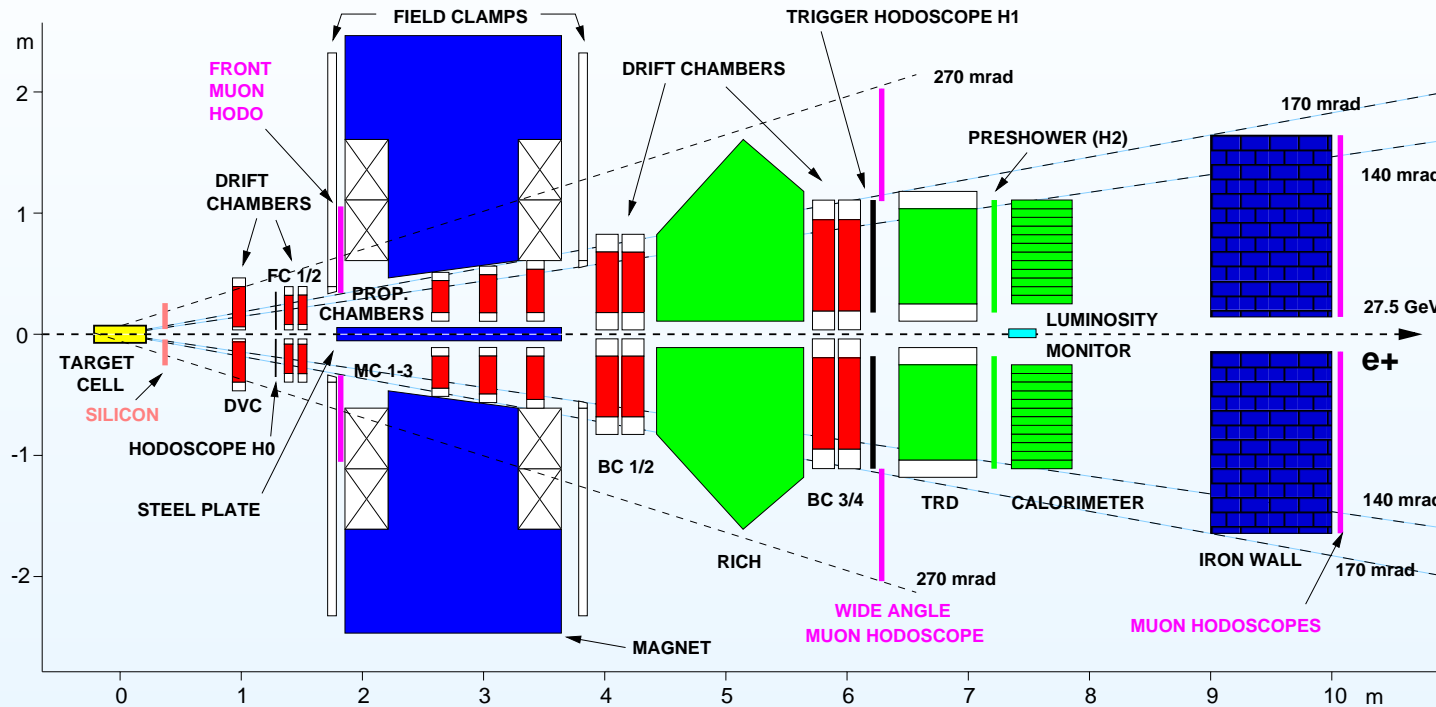


(front view of the HERMES interaction region)

# The HERMES spectrometer:



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- large momentum and angle acceptance:  $\theta_{\text{hor.}} \leq 170 \text{ mrad}$ ,  $40 \text{ mrad} \leq \theta_{\text{vert.}} \leq 140 \text{ mrad}$
- good momentum resolution:  $\Delta p/p \leq 0.026$
- and good angle resolution:  $\Delta\theta \leq 0.6 \text{ mrad}$
- very clean lepton-hadron separation and hadron identification

## Transverse spin phenomena:

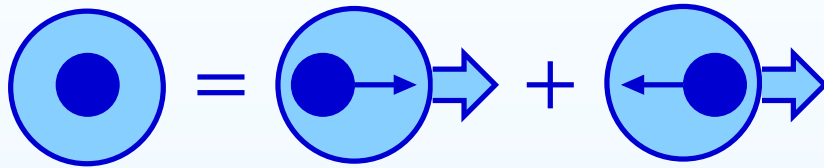


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# Leading twist description of quark momentum and spin:

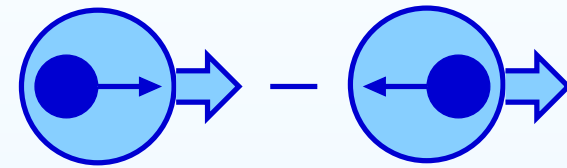
**momentum distribution  $q(x)$  :**  
measures spin average



(in helicity basis)

$$F_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum e_q^2 (q(x) + \bar{q}(x))$$

**helicity distribution  $\Delta q(x)$  :**  
measures helicity difference



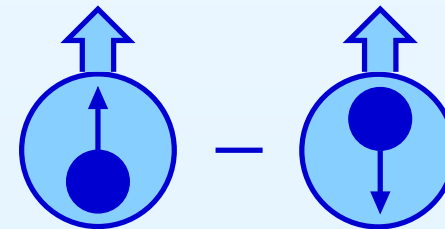
(in helicity basis)

$$g_1(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum e_q^2 (\Delta q(x) + \Delta \bar{q}(x))$$

**transversity distribution  $\delta q(x) / h_1^q(x)$  :**

- helicity flip amplitude
- non-relativistic quarks:  
 $\delta q(x) = \Delta q(x)$
- no gluon transversity at nucleon target

**probabilistic interpretation:**



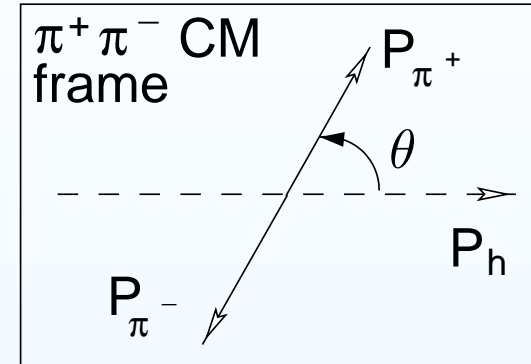
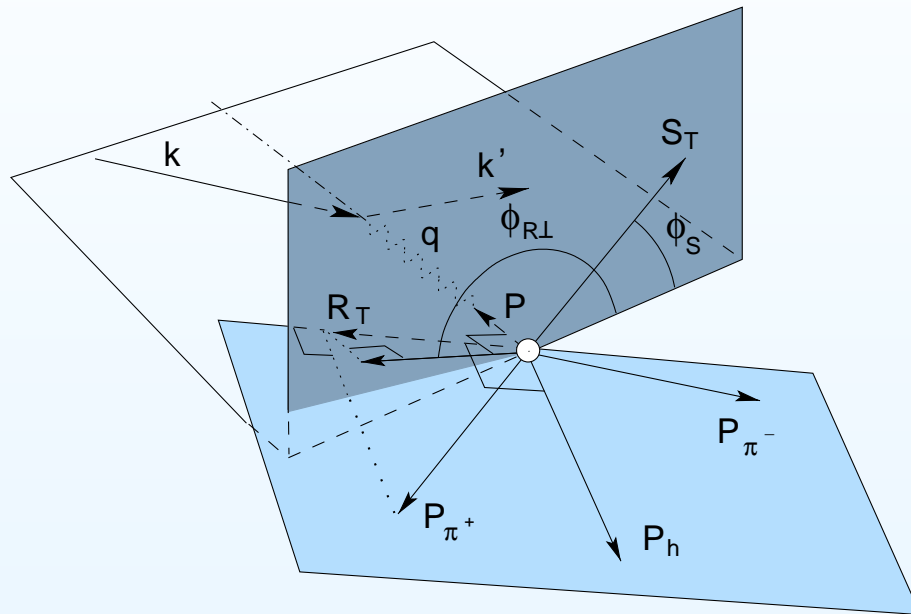
(in basis of transverse spin eigenstates)



## Transverse single-spin asymmetries:

- **naive time reversal odd** (naive-T-odd) **functions**
- involve interference of amplitudes with different helicities
  - ↳ suppressed in perturbative QCD
  - ↳ assigned to distribution and fragmentation functions
- **associated with spin/orbit effects** ( $S \cdot (P_1 \times P_2)$ )
- observed in semi-inclusive DIS on a transversely polarised target:
  - **single-hadron production** ( $ep^{\uparrow} \rightarrow e'hX$ ):
    - $S_q \cdot (p_q \times P_h)$ 
      - ↳ *Collins mechanism*, sensitive to transversity
    - $S_N \cdot (P \times p_q)$ 
      - ↳ *Sivers mechanism*, sensitive to  $L_q$
  - **dihadron production** ( $ep^{\uparrow} \rightarrow e'h_1h_2X$ ):
    - $S_q \cdot (p_q \times R)$
    - transfer of transverse quark spin to relative orbital angular momentum of hadron pair ( $2R = P_{h_1} - P_{h_2}$ )
    - sensitive to transversity

# The semi-inclusive production of $\pi^+\pi^-$ pairs:



$$P_h \equiv P_{\pi^+} + P_{\pi^-}$$

$$R \equiv \frac{P_{\pi^+} - P_{\pi^-}}{2}$$

$$R_T \equiv R - (R \cdot \hat{P}_h) \hat{P}_h$$

azimuthal angles  $\phi_S$  and  $\phi_{R_T}$ :

$$\phi_S \equiv \frac{(\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{S}_T}{|(\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{S}_T|} \arccos \left( \frac{(\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}) \cdot (\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{S}_T)}{|\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}| |\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{S}_T|} \right)$$

$$\phi_{R_\perp} \equiv \frac{(\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{R}_T}{|(\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{R}_T|} \arccos \left( \frac{(\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}) \cdot (\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{R}_T)}{|\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}| |\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{R}_T|} \right)$$

## SSA in semi-inclusive $\pi^+\pi^-$ production:

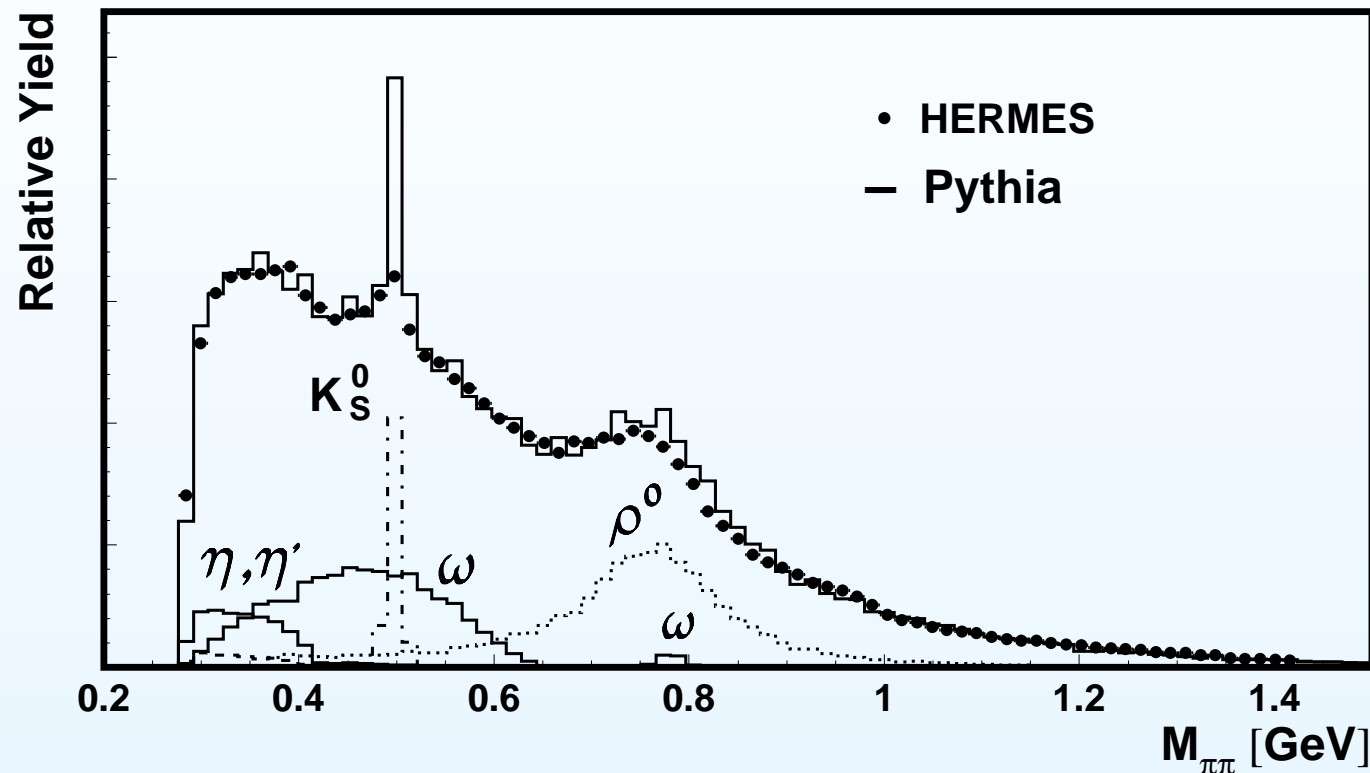
- Fourier/Legendre amplitude  $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_{R\perp} + \phi_S) \sin \theta}$  of

$$A_{UT}(x, y, z, \phi_S, \phi_{R\perp}, \cos \theta, M_{\pi\pi}) = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{S}_T|} \frac{d^7\sigma_{U\uparrow} - d^7\sigma_{U\downarrow}}{d^7\sigma_{U\uparrow} + d^7\sigma_{U\downarrow}}$$

- provides signal for
  - transversity distribution  $h_1^q(x)$
  - dihadron fragmentation function  $H_{1,q}^{\triangleleft}(z, M_{\pi\pi}, \cos \theta)$ :
    - leading-twist
    - chiral-odd
    - naive-T-odd
- at leading twist, in leading order in  $\alpha_s$ , integrated over  $P_{h\perp}$ :

$$A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_{R\perp} + \phi_S) \sin \theta} = -\frac{(1-y)}{(1-y + \frac{y^2}{2})} \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - 4\frac{M_\pi^2}{M_{\pi\pi}^2}} \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 h_1^q(x) H_{1,q}^{\triangleleft,sp}(z, M_{\pi\pi})}{\sum_q e_q^2 f_1^q(x) D_{1,q}(z, M_{\pi\pi})}$$

## The $M_{\pi\pi}$ spectrum:



- sizable contribution from spin-1 resonances
- dominant **contributions to  $H_{1,q}^{\leq}(z, M_{\pi\pi}, \cos \theta)$** :
  - **$s$ -waves** components, e.g.  $\pi^+\pi^-$  pair in non-resonant state
  - **$p$ -waves** components, e.g.  $\rho^0$  decay ( $\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ )

## Evaluation of the asymmetry:

- all  $\pi^+\pi^-$  pairs have been selected from  $ep^{\uparrow} \rightarrow e'h_1h_2X$
- kinematic requirements:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \text{ GeV}^2 &< Q^2 \\ (0.1 \leq) & y < 0.85 \\ 10 \text{ GeV}^2 &< W^2 \\ 2 \text{ GeV} &< M_X \\ 1 \text{ GeV} &< P_h < 15 \text{ GeV} \end{aligned}$$

- for every bin in
  - $x, z$  ( $M_{\pi\pi} \in [0.5, 1.0]$ )
  - $M_{\pi\pi}$  ( $M_{\pi\pi} \in [0.5, 1.0]$ )
- evaluation in  $(\phi_{R\perp} + \phi_S) \times \theta$  binning:

$$A_{U\perp}(\phi_{R\perp}, \phi_S, \theta) = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{S}_T|} \frac{N^{\uparrow}(\phi_{R\perp}, \phi_S, \theta) - N^{\downarrow}(\phi_{R\perp}, \phi_S, \theta)}{N^{\uparrow}(\phi_{R\perp}, \phi_S, \theta) + N^{\downarrow}(\phi_{R\perp}, \phi_S, \theta)}$$

The extraction of  $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_{R\perp} + \phi_S) \sin \theta}$  :

$$A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_{R\perp} + \phi_S) \sin \theta} \sim \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 h_1^q(x) H_{1,q}^{\triangleleft, sp}(z, M_{\pi\pi})}{\sum_q e_q^2 f_1^q(x) D_{1,q}(z, M_{\pi\pi})}$$

- focus on **sp- and pp-interference** ( $M_{\pi\pi} < 1.5 \text{ GeV}$ ):

$$D_{1,q} \simeq D_{1,q} + D_{1,q}^{sp} \cos \theta + D_{1,q}^{pp} \frac{1}{4} (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1)$$

$$H_{1,q}^{\triangleleft} \simeq H_{1,q}^{\triangleleft, sp} + H_{1,q}^{\triangleleft, pp} \cos \theta,$$

- symmetrisation around  $\theta = \pi/2$ :

$$\theta \rightarrow \theta' \equiv \left| \left| \theta - \frac{\pi}{2} \right| - \frac{\pi}{2} \right|$$

- $D_{1,q}^{sq}$  and  $H_{1,q}^{\triangleleft, pp}$  contributions drop out
- reducing the statistical uncertainty on  $A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_{R\perp} + \phi_S) \sin \theta}$



## Functional form of the $\chi^2$ fit:

- extraction of  $a \equiv A_{UT}^{\sin(\phi_{R\perp} + \phi_S) \sin \theta}$  in a linear fit

$$A_{U\perp}(\phi_{R\perp} + \phi_S, \theta') = \sin(\phi_{R\perp} + \phi_S) \frac{a \sin \theta'}{1 + b \frac{1}{4} (3 \cos^2 \theta' - 1)}$$

- while varying  $b$  within positivity limits

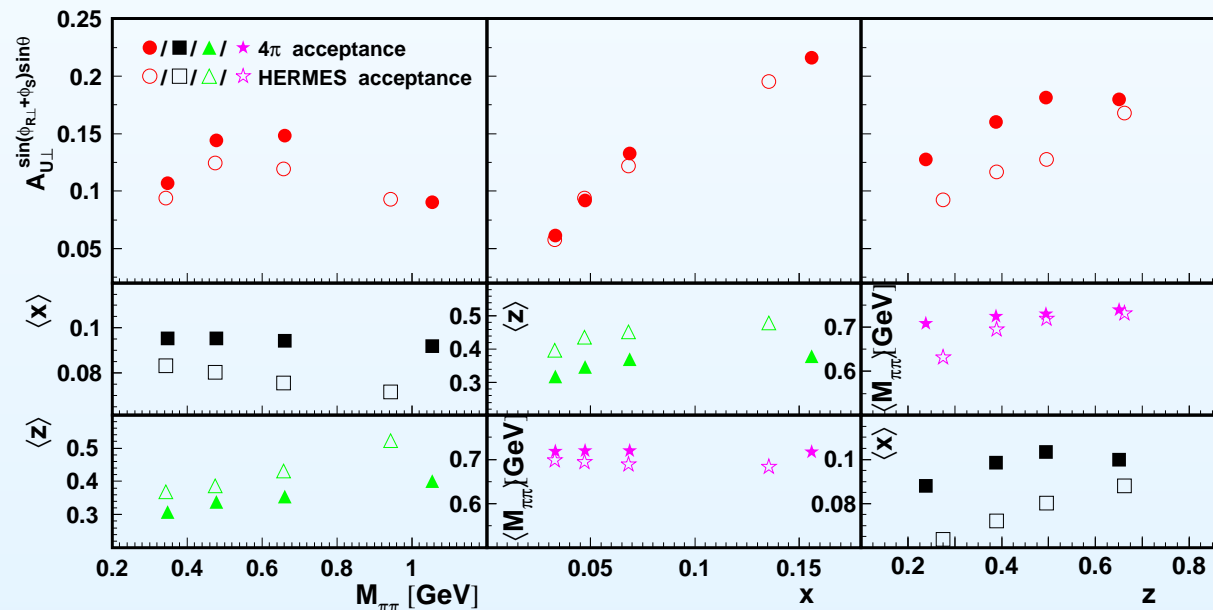
$$-\frac{3D_{1,q}^p(z, M_{\pi\pi})}{2D_{1,q}(z, M_{\pi\pi})} \leq b \leq \frac{3D_{1,q}^p(z, M_{\pi\pi})}{D_{1,q}(z, M_{\pi\pi})}$$

- limits estimated with PYTHIA6 (tuned for HERMES kinematics)
- systematic uncertainty due to “b-scan”:
  - central value in the ranges of  $a \rightarrow$  SSA amplitude
  - standard deviation  $\rightarrow$  systematic uncertainty

# Influence of the experimental acceptance:

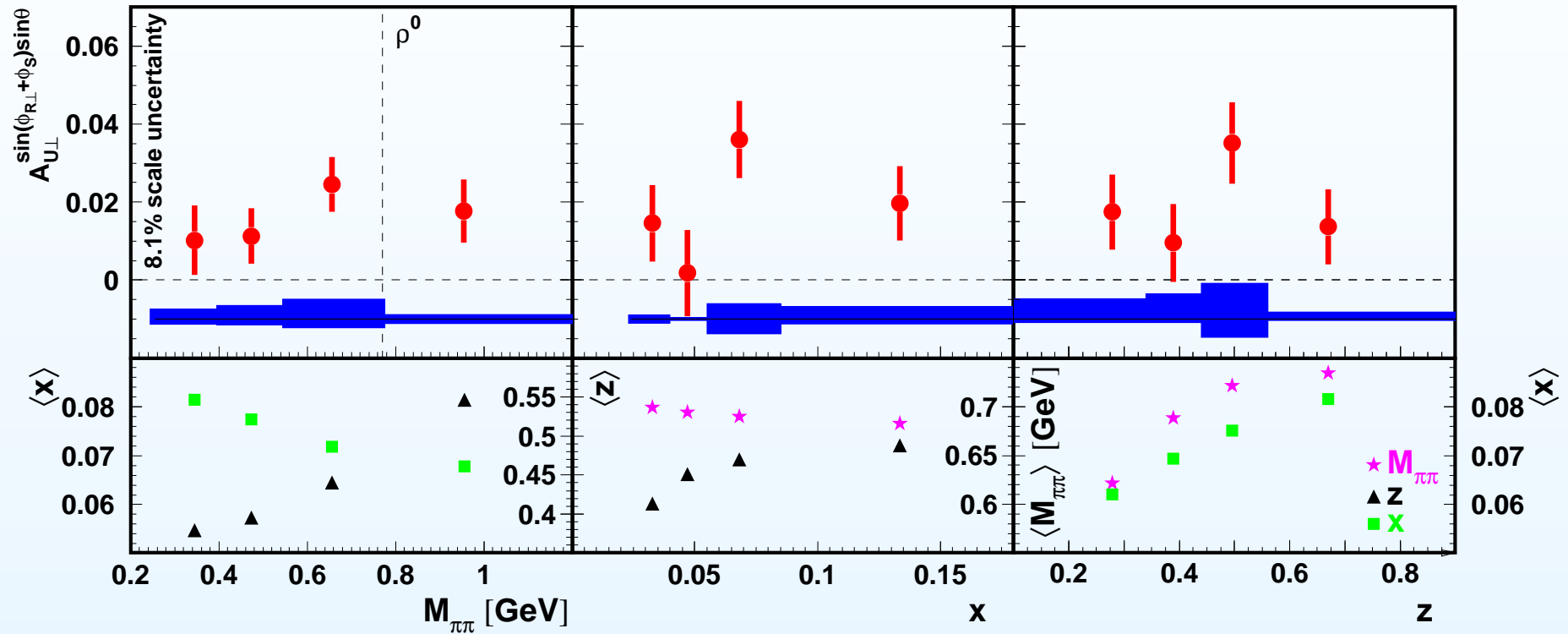
$$N^{\uparrow(\downarrow)}(\phi_{R\perp}, \phi_S, \theta, M_{\pi\pi}) \propto \int dx dy dz d^2 \mathbf{P}_{h\perp} \epsilon(x, y, z, \mathbf{P}_{h\perp}, \phi_{R\perp}, \phi_S, \theta, M_{\pi\pi}) \\ \times \sigma_{U\uparrow(\downarrow)}(x, y, z, \mathbf{P}_{h\perp}, \phi_{R\perp}, \phi_S, \theta, M_{\pi\pi}),$$

## Estimation of acceptance effects:



models  $f_1$  by Gluck et al. (Eur.Phys.J.C5:461-470,1998),  
 $h_1$  by Schweitzer et al. (Phys.Rev.D64:034013,2001),  
 $D_1, H_1^\Delta$  by Bacchetta and Raddici (Phys.Rev.D74:114007,2006)

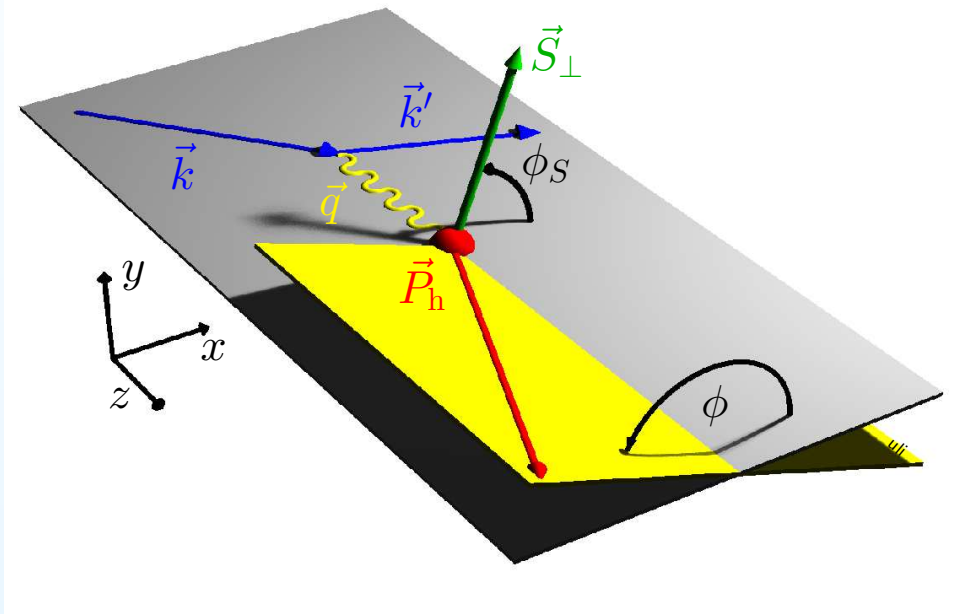
# Published Results (JHEP 0806:017,2008):



- $A_{U\perp}^{\sin(\phi_{R\perp} + \phi_S)\sin\theta} = 0.018 \pm 0.005_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.002_{\text{b-scan}} + 0.004_{\text{acc}}$
- additional 8.1% scale uncertainty (target polarisation)
- first evidence for  $H_{1,q}^{\triangleleft}$
- transversity can be studied in dihadron production

## SSA in single-hadron production:

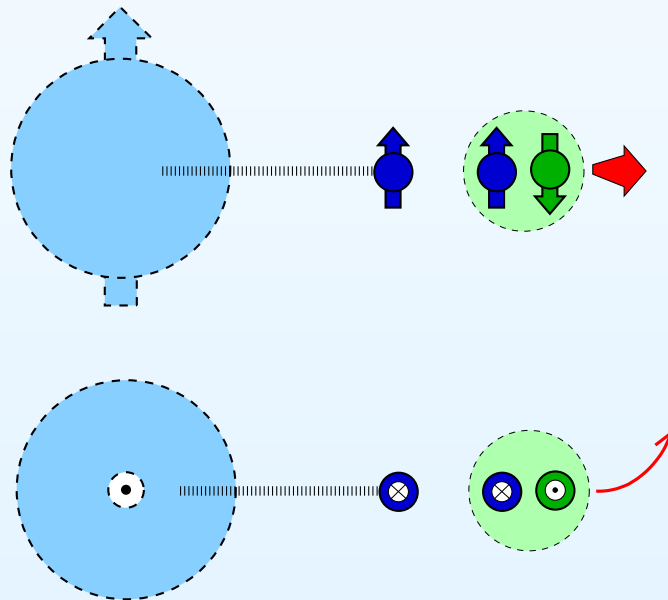
- **single-hadron production** ( $ep^{\uparrow} \rightarrow e'hX$ ):



- **azimuthal asymmetry** in the momentum distribution of the produced hadrons (transverse to the nucleon spin)
- non-vanishing  $P_{h\perp}$  is caused by
  - $S_q \cdot (p_q \times P_h) \rightarrow$  **Collins mechanism**
  - $S_N \cdot (P \times p_q) \rightarrow$  **Sivers mechanism**

## The Collins mechanism:

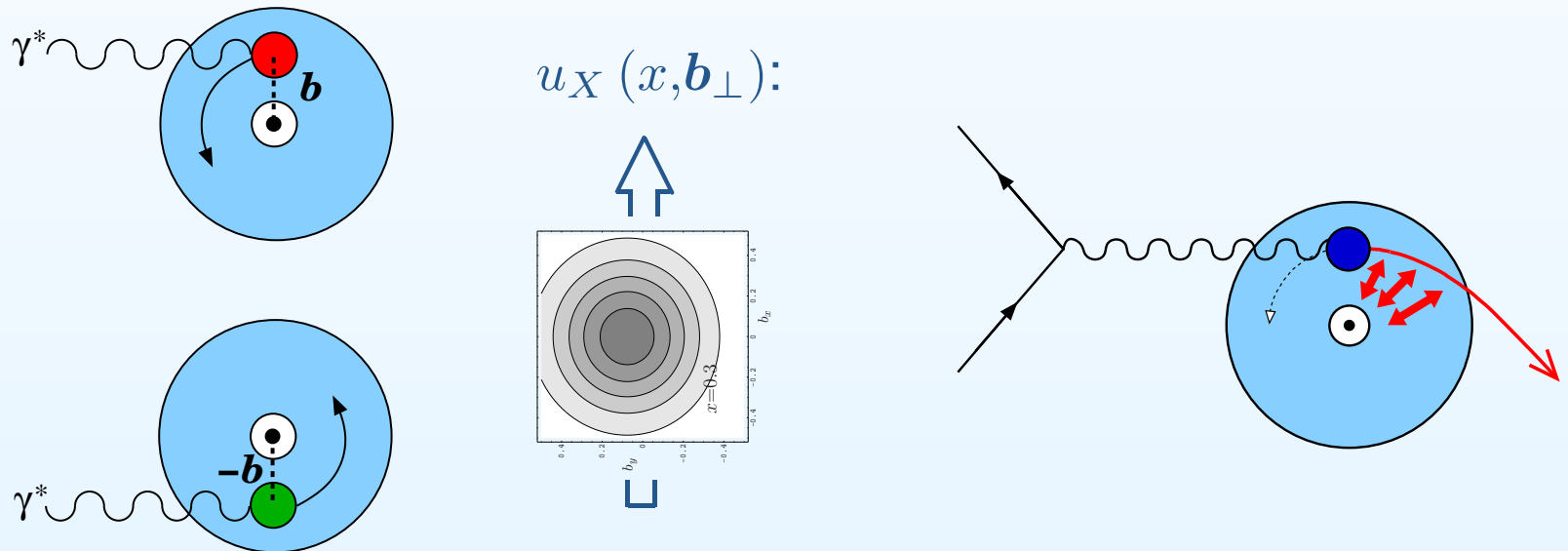
- **Collins fragmentation function**  $H_1^{\perp q}$
- **chiral-odd** partner for the transversity measurement
- correlation between the transverse polarisation of the fragmenting quark and the transverse momentum  $P_{h\perp}$  of the produced (unpolarised) hadron



- **naive time reversal odd**  $\Leftrightarrow$  final state interactions  
↳ **transverse single-spin asymmetry**

# The Sivers mechanism:

- non-zero **Sivers distribution**  $f_{1T}^\perp$  involves non-zero Compton amplitude  $N^{\uparrow} q^\uparrow \rightarrow N^{\downarrow} q^\uparrow$
- **orbital angular momentum of quarks:**  
(M. Burkardt, (Phys.Rev.D66:114005,2002))



- **final state interactions (naive-T-odd):**
  - left-right asymmetry of quark distribution
  - ➔ left-right asymmetry of momentum distribution of produced hadron

# The Collins and Sivers amplitudes:

- $A_{\text{UT}}^h$  for hadron type  $h$ :

$$A_{\text{UT}}^h = \frac{\sigma^{\uparrow} - \sigma^{\downarrow}}{\sigma^{\uparrow} + \sigma^{\downarrow}}$$

$$\propto -2 |\mathbf{S}_T| \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{distinguishable}}}{\sin(\phi + \phi_S)} \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 \overset{\text{Collins amplitude}}{h_1^q(\mathbf{x}) \otimes H_1^{\perp q}(z)}}{\sum_q e_q^2 q(\mathbf{x}) D_1^q(z)}$$

$$- 2 |\mathbf{S}_T| \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{Signature}}}{\sin(\phi - \phi_S)} \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 \overset{\text{Sivers amplitude}}{f_{1T}^{\perp q}(\mathbf{x}) \otimes D_1^q(z)}}{\sum_q e_q^2 q(\mathbf{x}) D_1^q(z)}$$

- convolution over intrinsic transverse momenta

## The convolution over intrinsic transverse momenta:

- transverse target cross section contains a convolution integral  $\mathcal{I}$  over intrinsic transverse momenta  $\mathbf{p}_\perp$  and  $\mathbf{k}_\perp$ :

$$\mathcal{I}(\dots) \equiv \int d^2\mathbf{p}_\perp d^2\mathbf{k}_\perp \delta^{(2)}\left(\mathbf{p}_\perp - \frac{\mathbf{P}_{h\perp}}{z} - \mathbf{k}_\perp\right) (\dots)$$

- e.g. Sivers SSA amplitude:

$$2 \langle \sin(\phi - \phi_S) \rangle_{\text{UT}}^h = -2 \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 \mathcal{I} \left[ \frac{\mathbf{p}_\perp \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{h\perp}}{M_N} f_{1T}^{\perp,q}(x, p_\perp^2) D_1^{q \rightarrow h}(z, z^2 k_\perp^2) \right]}{\sum_q e_q^2 f_1^q(x) D_1^{q \rightarrow h}(z)}$$

- **Disentangling the convolution integral**
  - using  $P_{h\perp}$ -weighted SSA
  - using several model assumptions



## $P_{h\perp}$ -weighted SSA:

- The **weighted SSA** are defined as count-rate asymmetries of the form:

$$\tilde{A}_{UT}^h(\phi, \phi_S) = \frac{1}{\langle S_{\perp} \rangle} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_h^{\uparrow}} \frac{P_{h\perp,i}}{z_i M_N} - \sum_{i=1}^{N_h^{\downarrow}} \frac{P_{h\perp,i}}{z_i M_N}}{N_h^{\uparrow} + N_h^{\downarrow}}$$

## $P_{h\perp}$ -weighted SSA:

- The **weighted SSA amplitudes** do not involve convolution integrals over intrinsic transverse momenta:

$$2 \left\langle \frac{P_{h\perp}}{zM_N} \sin(\phi - \phi_S) \right\rangle_{\text{UT}}^h = -2 \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 f_{1T}^{\perp(1),q}(x) D_1^{q \rightarrow h}(z)}{\sum_q e_q^2 f_1^q(x) D_1^{q \rightarrow h}(z)}$$

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- **Purity formalism:** w.l.o.g. binning in  $x$  and integrating over  $z$ :

$$\left\langle \frac{P_{h\perp}}{zM_N} \sin(\phi - \phi_S) \right\rangle_{\text{UT}}^h(x) = - \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 f_{1T}^{\perp(1),q}(x) \int dz D_1^{q \rightarrow h}(z)}{\sum_q e_q^2 f_1^q(x) \int dz D_1^{q \rightarrow h}(z)}$$

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$$\left\langle \frac{P_{h\perp}}{zM_N} \sin(\phi - \phi_S) \right\rangle_{\text{UT}}^h(x) = - \sum_q \mathcal{P}_q^h(x) \frac{f_{1T}^{\perp(1),q}(x)}{f_1^q(x)}$$

where the **purity**  $\mathcal{P}_q^h(x) = \frac{e_q^2 f_1^q(x) \int dz D_1^{q \rightarrow h}(z)}{\sum_{q'} e_{q'}^2 f_1^{q'}(x) \int dz D_1^{q' \rightarrow h}(z)}$  gives the probability that an observed event came from scattering of a certain quark flavour.

## Problems using $P_{h\perp}$ -weighted SSA:

- **complete integration over  $P_{h\perp}$ :**  
Can the integration to  $\infty$  be approximated by an integration up to certain cut-off value  $P_{h\perp}^2 \ll Q^2$ ?
- **Possibly large acceptance effects:**
  - **correction with multidimensional UNFOLDING:** appears to work in 5D (e.g. Boer-Mulders function), but not in 6D
  - **multi-parameter fit:**

- evaluation of the **full kinematic dependence**  $(x, Q^2, z, P_{h\perp})$
- through a **multi-parameter fit** (e.g. 48) to the full set of semi-inclusive events
- folding with  $\sigma_{UU}(x, Q^2, z, P_{h\perp})$  in  $4\pi$   
↳ acceptance-corrected results
- Monte Carlo tuned to data used for  $\sigma_{UU}(x, Q^2, z, P_{h\perp})$
- method has been studied in Monte Carlo

## The Gaussian ansatz:

- **unweighted SSA amplitudes:**

$$2 \langle \sin(\phi - \phi_S) \rangle_{\text{UT}}^h = -2 \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 \mathcal{I} \left[ \frac{\mathbf{p}_\perp \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{h\perp}}{M_N} f_{1T}^{\perp,q}(x, p_\perp^2) D_1^{q \rightarrow h}(z, z^2 k_\perp^2) \right]}{\sum_q e_q^2 f_1^q(x) D_1^{q \rightarrow h}(z)}$$

- use of model assumptions, e.g. **Gaussian ansatz**

$$\langle \sin(\phi - \phi_S) \rangle_{\text{UT}}^h = -\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2M_N} R_S \langle p_\perp^2 \rangle_S \cdot \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 f_{1T}^{\perp,q}(x) D_1^q(z)}{\sum_q e_q^2 f_1^q(x) D_1^q(z)}$$

$$\frac{1}{R_S^2} \equiv \langle k_\perp^2 \rangle + \langle p_\perp^2 \rangle_S$$

- $x$ - or  $z$ -dependence and flavour-dependence of  $R_S$  and  $\langle p_\perp^2 \rangle_S$
- problems with flavour decomposition

## Selection of semi-inclusive events:

- pions and charged kaons have been selected from  $ep^{\uparrow} \rightarrow e'hX$
- kinematic requirements:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \text{ GeV}^2 &< Q^2 \\ (0.1 \leq) & y < 0.95 \\ 0.023 &< x < 0.4 \\ 10 \text{ GeV}^2 &< W^2 \\ 2 \text{ GeV} &< P_h < 15 \text{ GeV} \\ 0.2 &< z < 0.7 \\ 0.02 \text{ rad} &< \theta_{\gamma^*h} \end{aligned}$$

- **mean kinematics:**  
 $\langle Q^2 \rangle = 2.4 \text{ GeV}^2$ ,  $\langle x \rangle = 0.094$ ,  $\langle z \rangle = 0.36$ ,  $\langle P_{h\perp} \rangle = 0.41 \text{ GeV}$
- evaluation of **lepton-beam asymmetries**
- due to unknown  $R = \sigma_L/\sigma_T$  for semi-inclusive DIS measurements

## Charged hadron identification:

- hadron identification with dual-radiator RICH
- **observed** (most probable) **hadron fluxes**  $I$ :

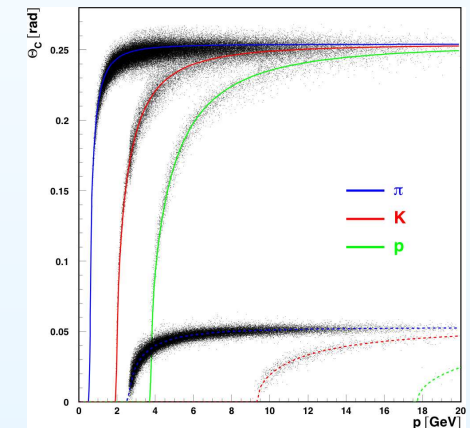
$$\begin{pmatrix} N_\pi \\ N_K \\ N_p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{P}_\pi^\pi & \mathcal{P}_\pi^K & \mathcal{P}_\pi^p & \mathcal{P}_\pi^X \\ \mathcal{P}_K^\pi & \mathcal{P}_K^K & \mathcal{P}_K^p & \mathcal{P}_K^X \\ \mathcal{P}_p^\pi & \mathcal{P}_p^K & \mathcal{P}_p^p & \mathcal{P}_p^X \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} I_\pi \\ I_K \\ I_p \\ I_X \end{pmatrix}$$

true hadron types  $N$ , RICH PID event weights  $\mathcal{P}$

- for each detected hadron track three event weights are assigned:
  - event weight as true pion
  - event weight as true kaon
  - event weight as true proton

**Čerenkov radiation:**

$$\theta = \arccos \frac{1}{\beta n}$$



$\text{SiO}_2$ :  $n = 1.03$

$\text{C}_4\text{F}_{10}$ :  $n = 1.0014$



# Simultaneous extraction of unweighted amplitudes:

- maximum likelihood fits are used for pions charged kaons:

$$F \left( 2 \langle \sin (\phi \pm \phi_S) \rangle_{\text{UT}}^h, \dots, \phi, \phi_S \right) =$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + P_\alpha^z \left( 2 \langle \sin (\phi + \phi_S) \rangle_{\text{UT}}^h \cdot \sin (\phi + \phi_S) + \right. \right.$$

$$2 \langle \sin (\phi - \phi_S) \rangle_{\text{UT}}^h \cdot \sin (\phi - \phi_S) +$$

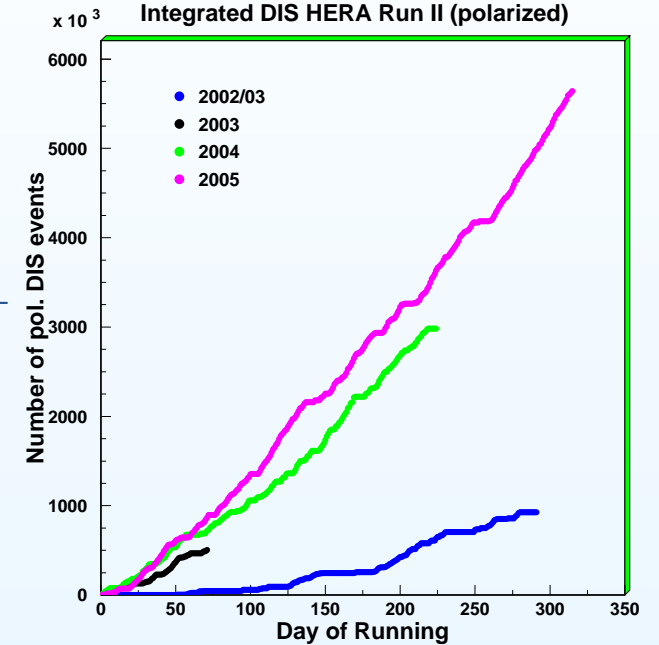
$$2 \langle \sin (3\phi - \phi_S) \rangle_{\text{UT}}^h \cdot \sin (3\phi - \phi_S) +$$

$$2 \langle \sin (2\phi - \phi_S) \rangle_{\text{UT}}^h \cdot \sin (2\phi - \phi_S) +$$

$$\left. \left. 2 \langle \sin \phi_S \rangle_{\text{UT}}^h \cdot \sin \phi_S \right) \right)$$

- the logarithm of the likelihood function  $\mathcal{L} = \prod (F_i)^{w_i}$  is maximised with respect to the SSA amplitudes ( $w_i$  RICH PID event weights)

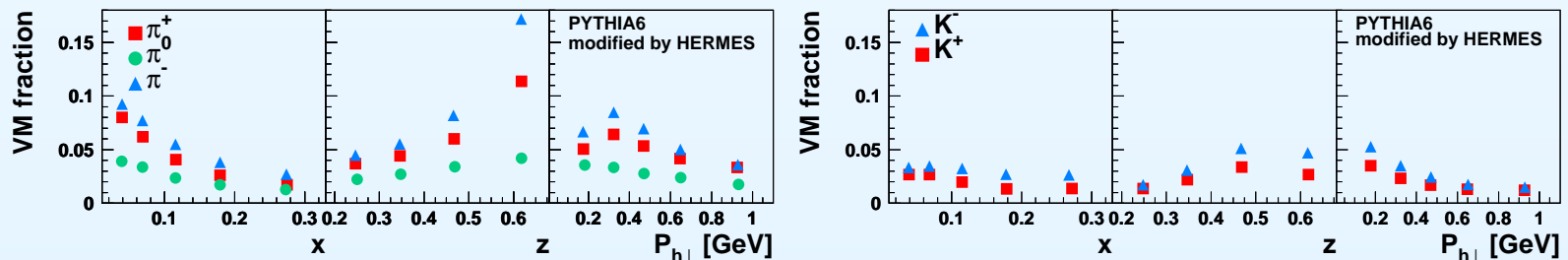
## polarised H target:



$e^\pm$	$8.4 \cdot 10^6$
$\pi^+$	$7.4 \cdot 10^5$
$\pi^0$	$2.1 \cdot 10^5$
$\pi^-$	$5.1 \cdot 10^5$
$K^+$	$1.2 \cdot 10^5$
$K^-$	$2.2 \cdot 10^4$

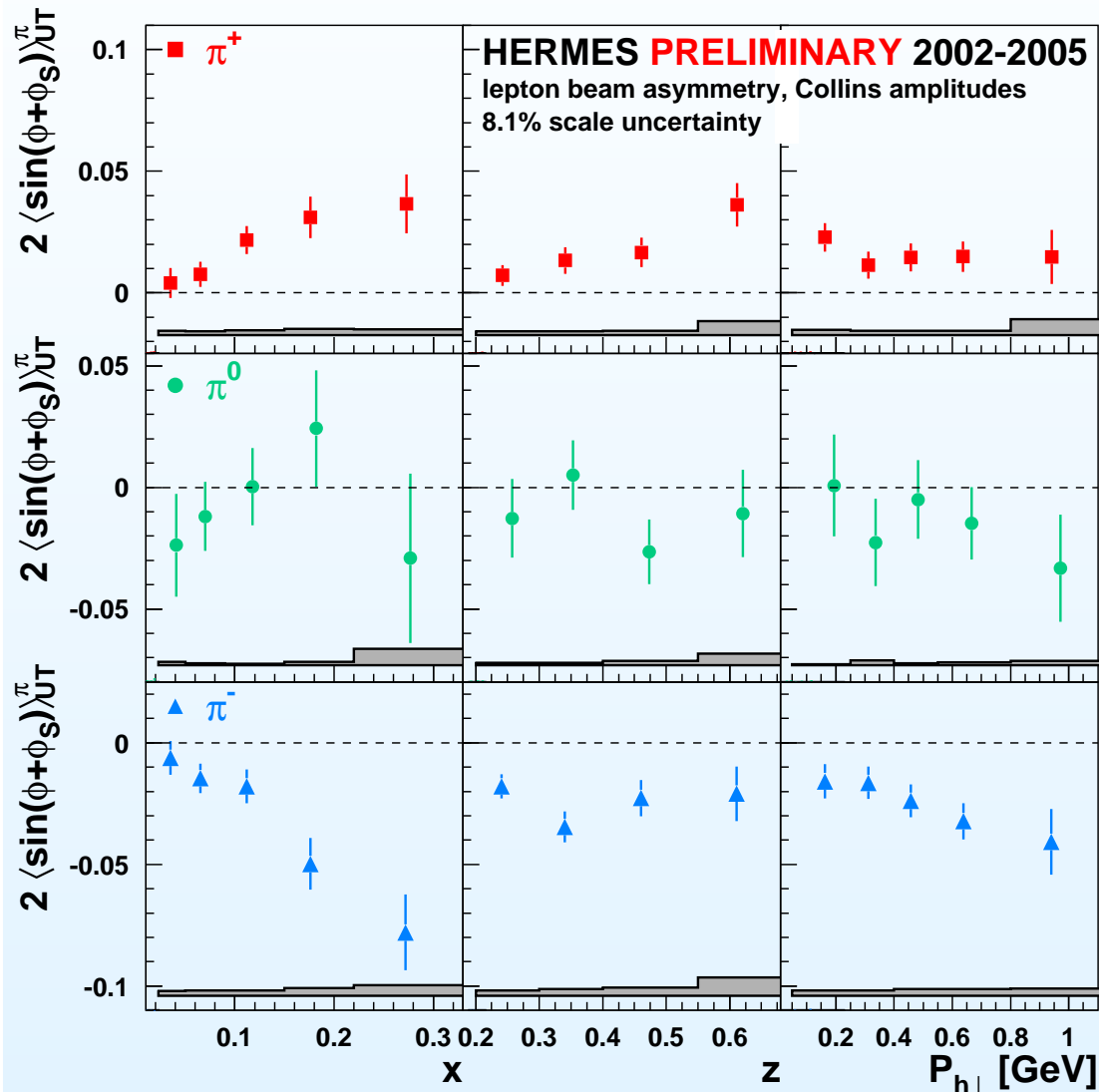
## Systematic uncertainties:

- **scaling uncertainty** due to uncertainty in the target
- **Contributions to the systematic uncertainty:**
  1. acceptance effects
  2. QED radiative effects and detector smearing
  3. hadron misidentification due to the RICH PID
  4. contribution of  $\cos \phi$  and  $\cos(2\phi)$  amplitudes in the spin-independent cross-section
  5. contributions from subleading longitudinal asymmetries
- exclusive channels do not dominate:



➔ no correction for exclusive contributions

# The Collins amplitudes for pions:



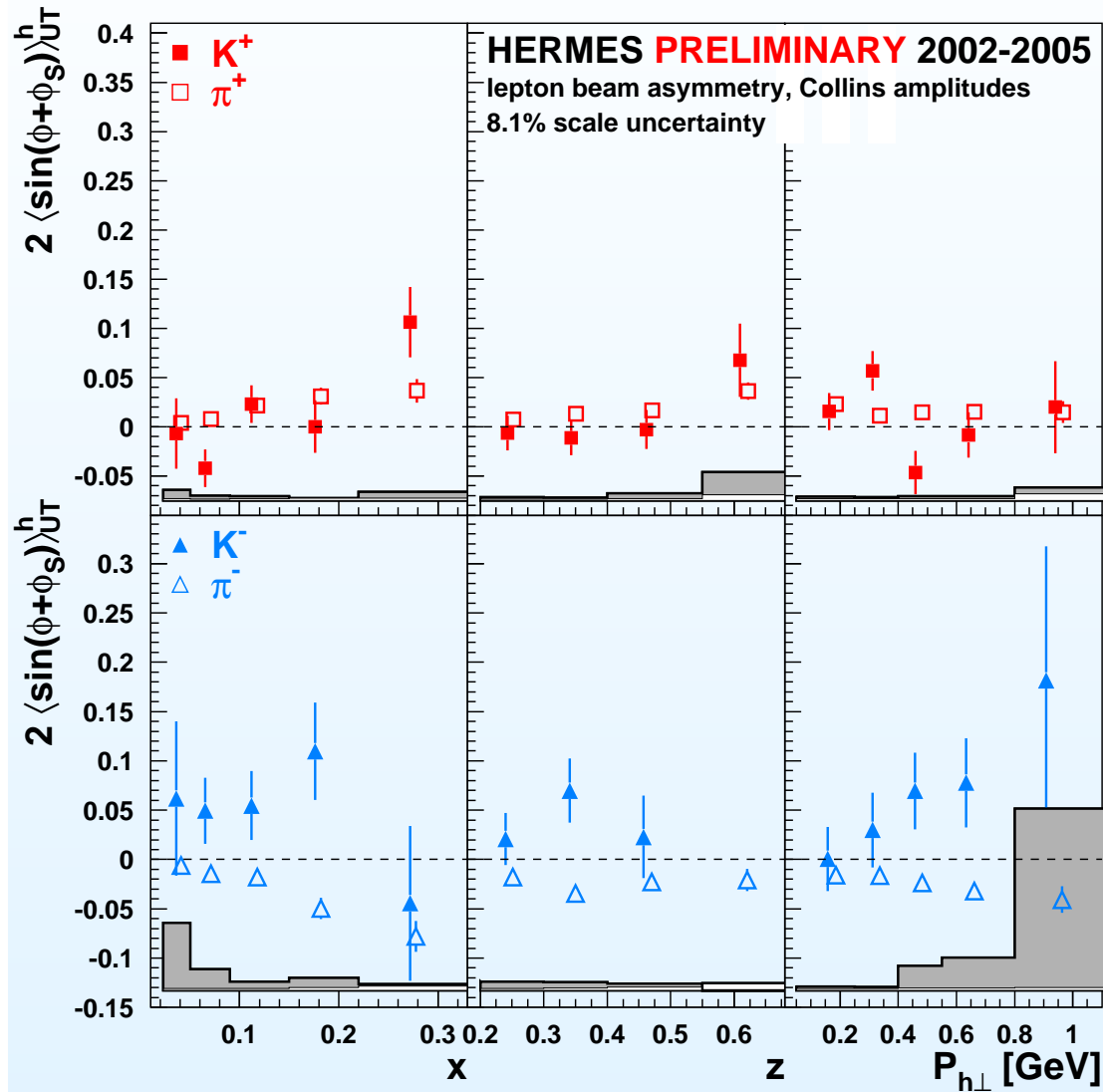
## Results of the Collins amplitude:

$$h_1^q(x) \otimes H_1^{\perp q}(z)$$

from 2002–2005 data:

- positive amplitudes for  $\pi^+$
- large negative  $\pi^-$  amplitudes is unexpected
- $H_1^{\perp, unfav}(z) \approx -H_1^{\perp, fav}(z)$
- isospin symmetry of  $\pi$ -mesons is fulfilled
- information from another process on the Collins fragmentation function (BELLE) permits **extraction of transversity** (e.g. Anselmino et al, **Phys.Rev.D75:054032,2007**)

# The Collins amplitudes for charged kaons:



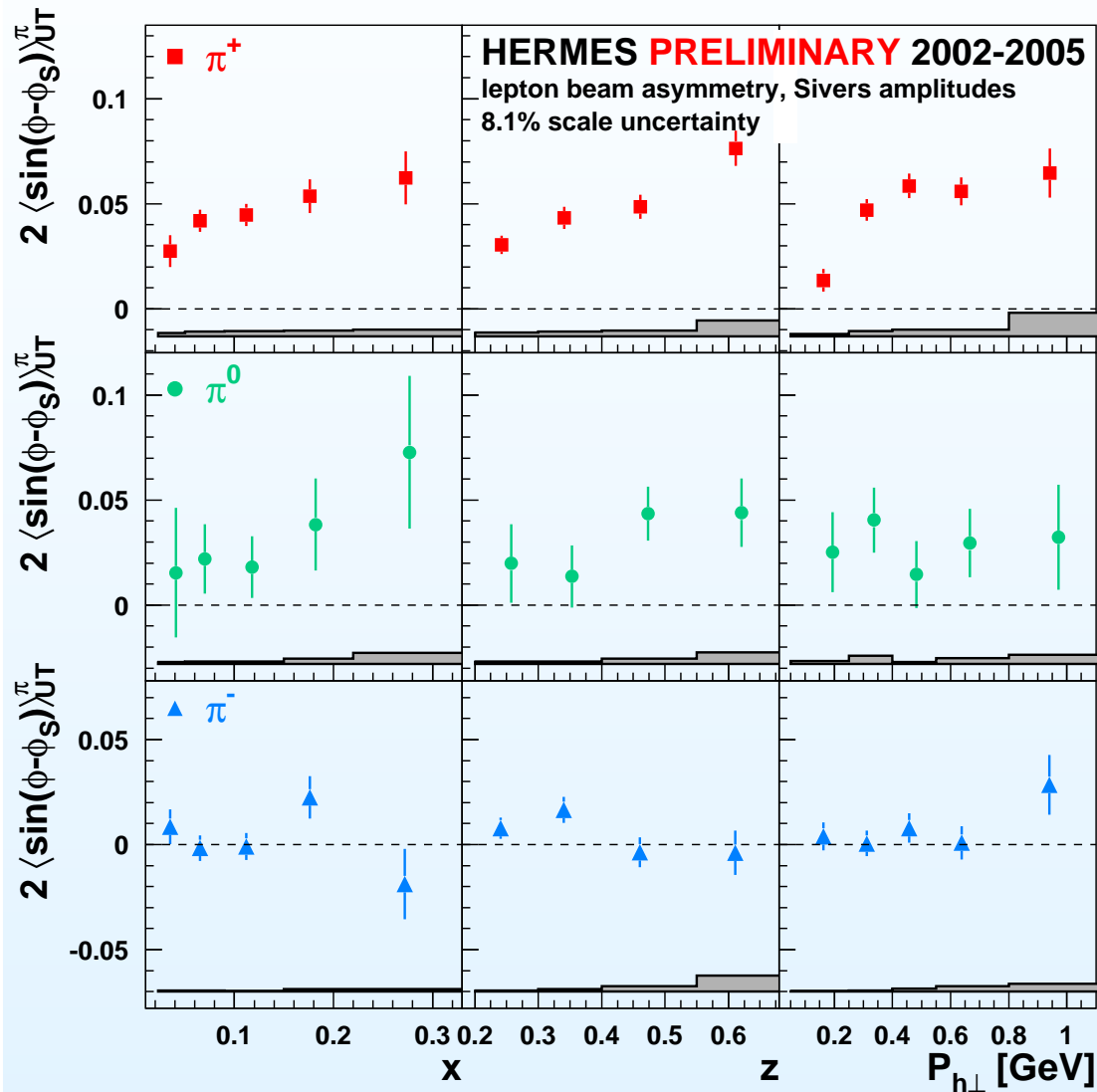
## Results of the Collins amplitude:

$$h_1^q(x) \otimes H_1^{\perp q}(z)$$

from 2002–2005 data:

- no significant non-zero Collins amplitudes for both  $K^+$  and  $K^-$
- Collins amplitudes for  $K^+$  are within statistical accuracy consistent with  $\pi^+$

# The Sivers amplitudes for pions:



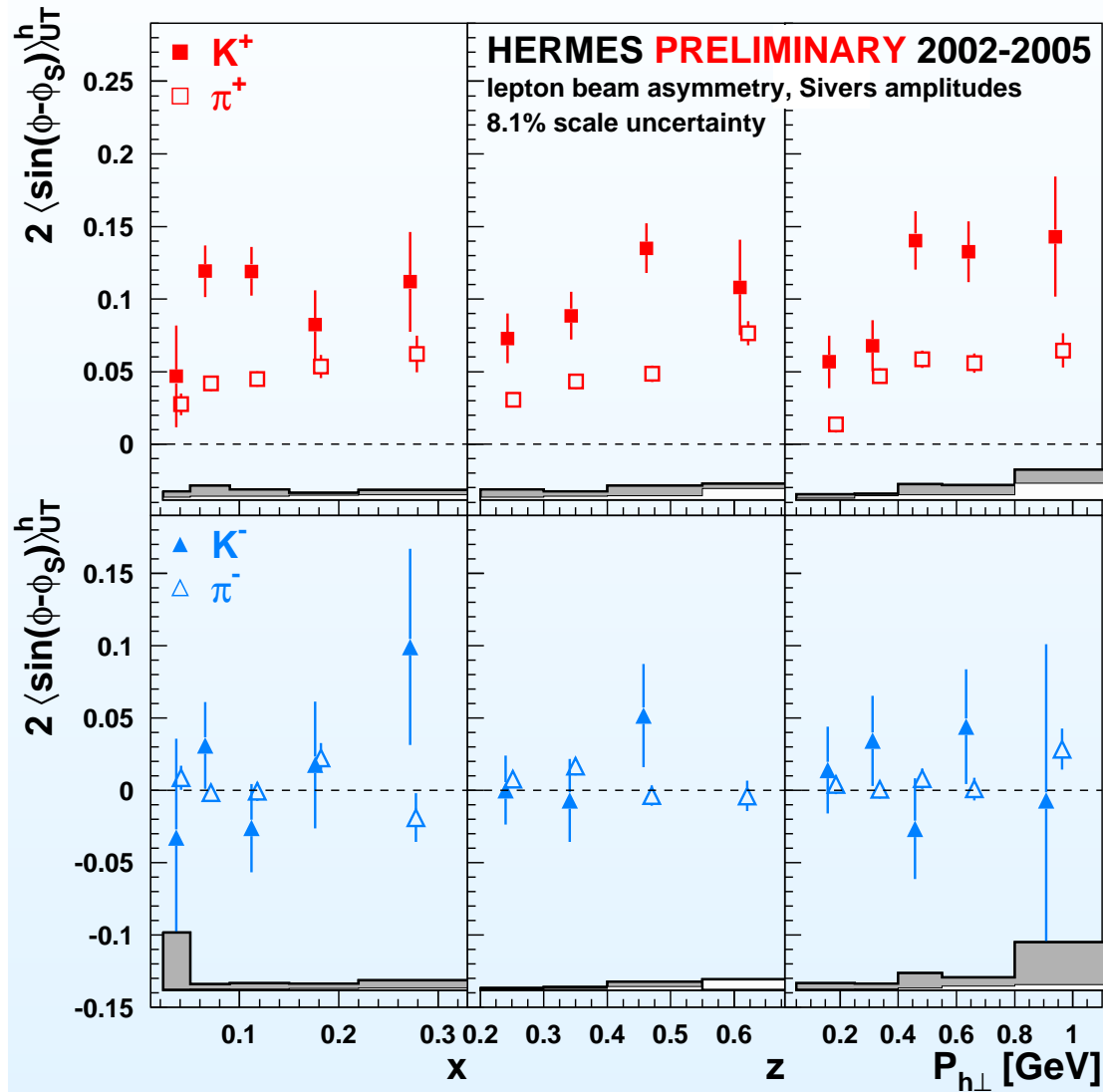
## Results of the Sivers amplitude:

$$f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x) \otimes D_1^q(z).$$

### from 2002–2005 data:

- significantly positive for  $\pi^+$
- implies non-zero  $L_z^q$
- $\pi^-$  amplitude consistent with zero
- isospin symmetry of  $\pi$ -mesons is fulfilled
- **extraction of the Sivers function** is possible as spin-independent fragmentation function  $D_1^q(z)$  is known

# The Sivers amplitude for charged kaons:



## Results of the Sivers amplitude:

$$f_{1T}^{\perp q}(x) \otimes D_1^{\perp q}(z).$$

### from 2002–2005 data:

- significantly positive for  $K^+$
- implies non-zero  $L_z^q$
- $K^-$  amplitude consistent with zero
- $K^+$  amplitude larger than  $\pi^+$  amplitude  
 $\Rightarrow s\bar{s}$  contribution to Sivers mechanism may be important:

$$K^+ = |u\bar{s}\rangle \quad \pi^+ = |u\bar{d}\rangle$$

## In a nutshell:

- (most) precise data on a transversely polarised hydrogen target
- significant Collins amplitudes for  $\pi$ -mesons
  - ↳ enables quantitative extraction of transversity distribution
- significant Sivers amplitudes for  $\pi^+$  and  $K^+$ 
  - ↳ clear (and first) evidence of a naive-T-odd parton distribution
  - ↳ enables quantitative extraction of the Sivers function
- first evidence for a naive-T-odd dihadron fragmentation function
  - ↳ provides alternative probe for transversity distribution
- **under construction:**
  - multi-dimensional SSA amplitudes
  - $P_{h\perp}$ -weighted SSA amplitudes
  - extraction of the Cahn effect
  - and the Boer-Mulders function  
(c.f. Gunar Schnell's talk on Wednesday)