

New and future transverse spin results at STAR

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Outline



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- Recent Results and Prospects:
 - Reminder of unpolarized yield: Jets / Hadrons
 - Transversity-related measurements:
 - TMD Collins FFs: Azimuthal single-spin asymmetries of charged pions in jets
 - Di-hadron FFs: Azimuthal correlations of charged pion pairs

Summary
and
Outlook



- Probe transverse proton spin structure using high-energy polarized p+p collisions
 - Important new insight into the transverse proton spin structure at STAR in polarized

p+p collisions at high energies using well established processes both theoretically and experimentally involving jets / hadrons

• Transversity-related measurements: Important insight into transverse spin structure - Need coupling of transversity (h1) to chiral-odd transverse spin

dependent fragmentation function (FF):

Collins TMD FFs: Azimuthal single-spin asymmetries of charged pions in jets

$$\sum_{i,j,k} h_1^{i/p_a}(x_a) f_1^{j/p_b}(x_b) H_1^{\perp h/k}(z,k_T)$$

Di-hadron FFs: Azimuthal correlations of charged pion pairs

$$\sum_{i,j,k} h_1^{i/p_a}(x_a) \otimes f_1^{j/p_b}(x_b) \otimes H_1^{\triangleleft h_1 h_2/k}(z, M_h)$$

• Deepen our understanding concerning universality, factorization and evolution!

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FF Review: A. Metz and A. Vossen, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 91 (2016) 136.



Transversity studies involving jets / hadrons (1)





Inclusive Jet production (200GeV: Solid line / 500GeV: Dashed line)





Transversity studies involving jets / hadrons (2)





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Theoretical foundation

Transversity studies involving jets / hadrons (2)



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The world's first polarized proton+proton collider



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Experimental aspects - RHIC

Polarized p+p collisions

O Di-hadronFFs (2006 at 200GeV and 2011

at 500GeV) and TMD Collins FFs (2006 /

2012 at 200GeV and 2011 at 500GeV)

type measurements

• Large data samples in 2015 / 2017!

Year	CME	L _{rec} (pb-1)	<p> (B/Y) (%)</p>	
2006	200	8.5 pb ⁻¹	57	•
2006	62.4	0.2 pb ⁻¹	48	•
2008	200	7.8 pb ⁻¹	45	
2011	500	25 pb ⁻¹	53/54	
2012	200	22 pb-1	61/58	
2015	200	53 pb ⁻¹	53/57	•
2015	200 pAu	0.42 pb ⁻¹	60	
2015	200 pAl	1.0 pb ⁻¹	54	
2017	510	320 pb ⁻¹	56/56	





Experimental aspects - STAR

 $\eta = -1$

Overview

- Calorimetry system with 2π coverage: BEMC (-1<n<1) and EEMC (1<n<2)
- TPC: Tracking and particle ID (|n|<1.3)
- ZDC: Relative luminosity and local polarimetry
- BBC: Relative

luminosity and

Minimum bias trigger

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(STAR 2013 configuration)

$$\eta = -\ln\left(\tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right)$$



STAR: Inclusive Jet / Di-Jet cross-section measurements at 200GeV



L. Adamczyk et al. (STAR Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D95 (2017) 71103.

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Results / Status - Pion Cross-Section

STAR: Pion cross-section measurements at 200GeV



- Compilation of neutral pion final state cross-section measurements at varying n and charged pion sum cross-section measurement
- Data are well described by NLO pQCD



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Results / Status - Collins Asymmetry measurements (1)

STAR: Azimuthal single-spin asymmetry measurement of charged pions in jets



• Spin-dependent term of $sin(\phi_s - \phi_H)$ modulation of A_{UT} yields sensitivity to h_1 coupled to Collins fragmentation function

• Event selection: Jet-patch trigger / Jet finding using anti-k_ algorithm (R=0,5, 500GeV) followed by charged pion selection

within jet requiring 0.1 < z < 0.8 and dE/dx particle ID of TPC

• Embedded MC sample (PYTHIA 6.426 / Perugia 0 tune) for evaluation of systematic uncertainties / Good data-MC comparison



□ STAR: Collins asymmetry A_{UT} at 200GeV



• Clear first observation of Collins asymmetry $(sin(\phi_{s}-\phi_{H}) \text{ modulation})$ at 200GeV based on 2012 data shown for $x_{F} > 0$

- Strong dependence on j_T
- Statistical uncertainty shown as solid lines / Systematic uncertainties shown as shaded bands dominated at low pt by parton-jet

matching and high-p_T by trigger bias / Generally, measurement dominated by statistical uncertainties at medium and high p_T!



□ STAR: Collins asymmetry A_{UT} at 200GeV and 500GeV



200GeV: J. K. Adkins and J. Drachenberg, Spin 2014.

500GeV: L. Adamczyk et al. (STAR Collaboration), arXiv:1708.07080.

• Non-zero Collins asymmetry (sin(ϕ_{s} - ϕ_{H}) modulation) observed at 500GeV based on 2011 data shown as a function of z

- Asymmetries are found to be consistent with 200GeV preliminary results for consistent cuts and x_T
- Statistical uncertainty shown as solid lines / Systematic uncertainties shown as shaded bands dominated at low pt by parton-jet

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□ STAR: Collins asymmetry A_{UT} at 500GeV compared to model calculations



• Models based on SDIS and e⁺/e⁻ assuming robust factorization and universality of the Collins function

- DMP / KPRY: No TMD evolution
- KPRY-NLL: TMD evolution up to NLLG
- General agreement between data and model calculations is consistent with assumptions of robust TMD-factorization and

universality of the Collins function



□ STAR: Collins asymmetry A_{UT} at 200GeV and 500GeV and projections



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• Higher precision in 2015 and 2017 will allow more precise comparison!

• First polarized p + A run should allow for first glimpse in p+A!



STAR: Azimuthal correlations of charged pion pairs



- Amplitude A_{UT} of $sin(\phi_S \phi_H)$ is extracted by a fit to data sensitive to h_1 coupled to di-hadron fragmentation function
- Event selection: High-Tower trigger and Jet-patch

trigger / Charged pion selection with dE/dx particle ID

- of TPC 98% purity
- MC sample (PYTHIA) passed through STAR detector simulation is used for parton kinematic determination / Good data-MC comparison
- Systematic uncertainties are very small compared to

the statistical precision of the measurement, and they

are not shown in the final result figures!



Results / Status - IFF Asymmetry measurements (3)

STAR: Azimuthal correlations of charged pion pairs at 200GeV and 500GeV



-1

-0.8 -0.6 -0.4 -0.2

0.2

0.4

0.6

0.8

η

0



• Measurement is dominated by statistical uncertainties!



STAR: Azimuthal correlations of charged pion pairs compared to model calculations



• Overall good agreement with models based on SDIS and e⁺/e⁻ and data at 200GeV and 500GeV in terms of

 M_h



Summary / Outlook

- TMD Collins FFs: Azimuthal single-spin asymmetries of charged pions in jets
 - 0 First observations of Collins effect in polarized p+p collisions at 200GeV (2006) and 500GeV (2011)
 - General agreement between data and model calculations is consistent with assumptions of robust TMD-factorization and 0 universality of the Collins function
 - 0 Evolution effects seem to be slow - more precise data needed!
- Di-hadron FFs: Azimuthal correlations of charged pion pairs
 - 0 Significant charged pion pair asymmetries at 200GeV (2006 / 2012) and 500GeV (2011) observed!
 - Overall good agreement with models based on SDIS and et/e- and data at 200GeV and 500GeV 0
- Future
 - Higher precision results expected from large data samples in 2015 at 200GeV and 2017 at 510GeV 0
 - 0 New studies in polarized p+A collisions in 2015

E. Aschenauer et al., arXiv:1602.03922.

0 Great for potential for additional studies as documented in coldQCD plan at RHIC beyond 2020!

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