

# The SPD project

## at the Laboratory of High Energy Physics, Joint Institute for Nuclear Research, Dubna



Polarization data has often been the graveyard for fashionable theories. If theorists had their way they might well ban such measurements altogether out of self-protection.

*J.D. Bjorken, 1987*

**Roumen Tsenov (LHEP),  
for the SPD project team**

# NICA (*Nuclotron based Ion Collider fAcility*) is the *flagship project in high energy physics* *of the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research*

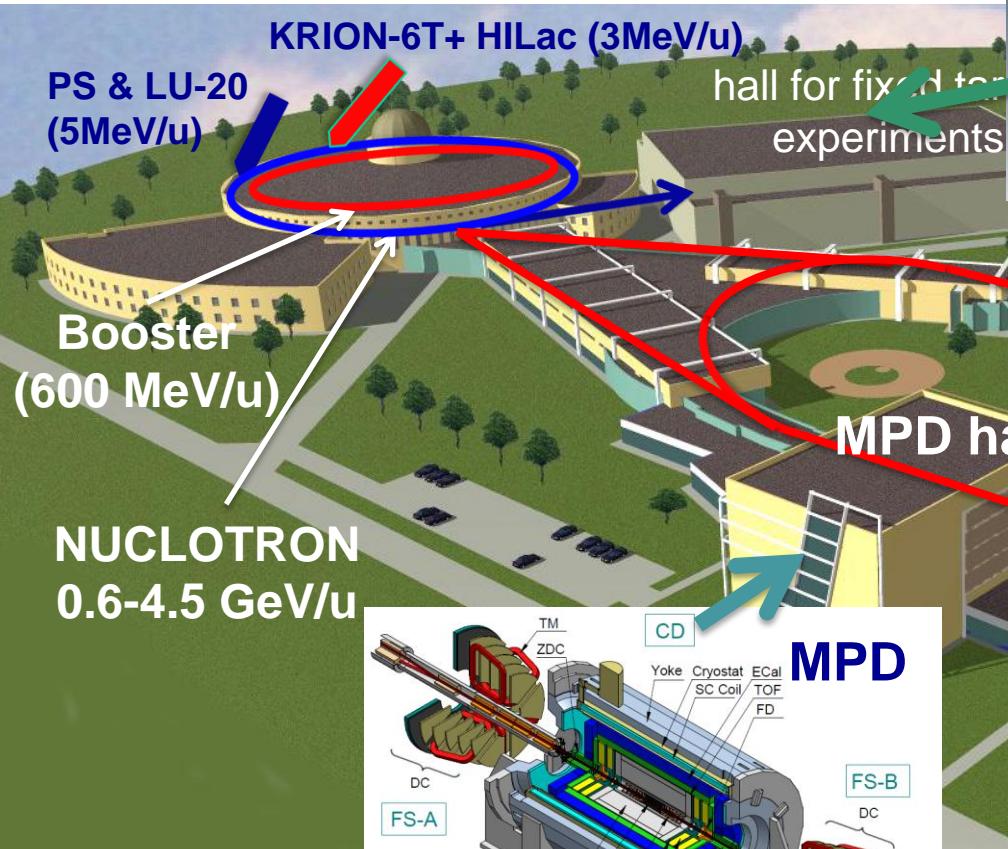
Main targets of the NICA project:

- *study of hot and dense baryonic matter*
- *investigation of nucleon spin structure,  
polarization phenomena*

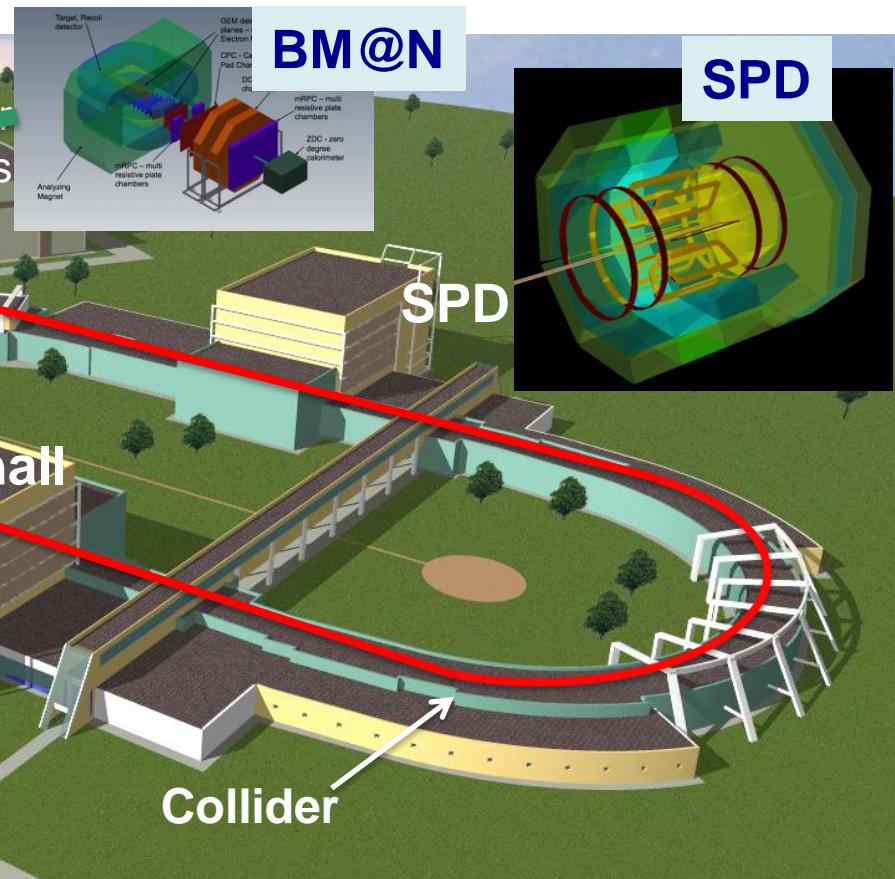
<i>Ring circumference, m</i>	<b>503.04</b>
<i>heavy ions</i>	
<i>energy range for Au<sup>79+</sup>: <math>\sqrt{S}_{NN}</math>, GeV</i>	<b>4 - 11</b>
<i>r.m.s. <math>\Delta p/p</math>, <math>10^{-3}</math></i>	<b>1.6</b>
<i>Luminosity for Au<sup>79+</sup>, cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup></i>	<b>1x10<sup>27</sup></b>
<i>polarized particles</i>	
<i>max. <math>\sqrt{S}</math> for polarized <math>p</math>, Gev</i>	<b>27</b>
<i>Luminosity for <math>p</math>, cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup></i>	<b>1x10<sup>32</sup></b>

# The NICA complex

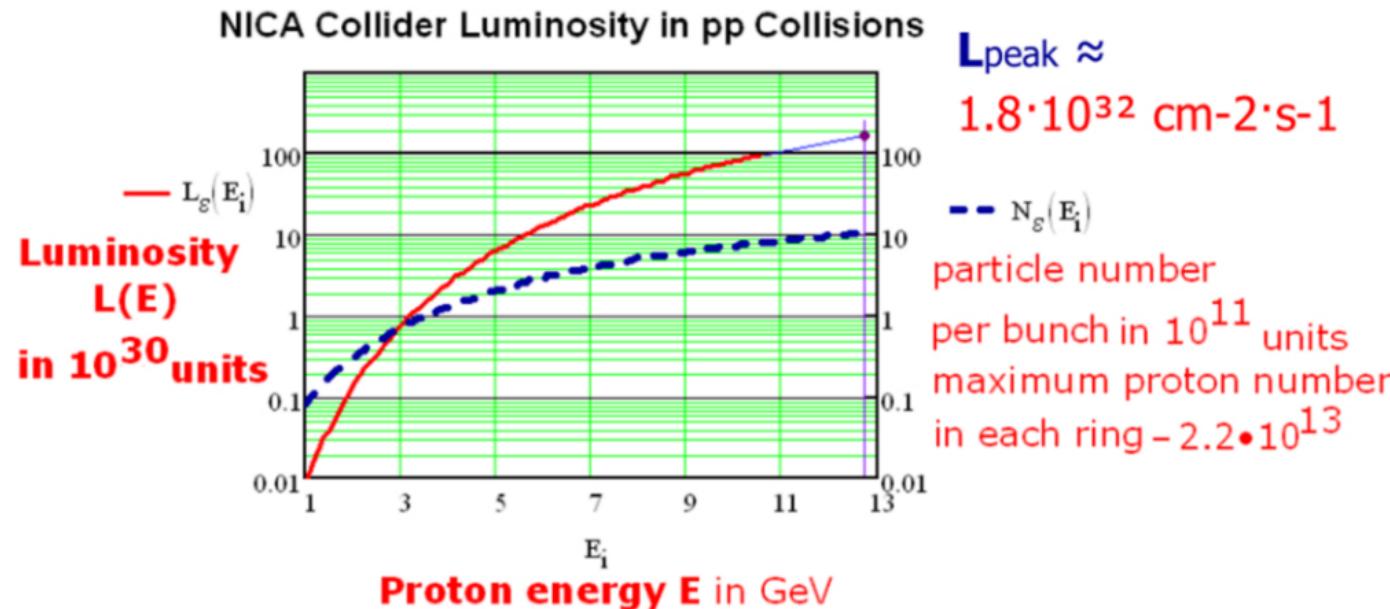
*existing facilities*



*to be constructed*



# Polarized beams



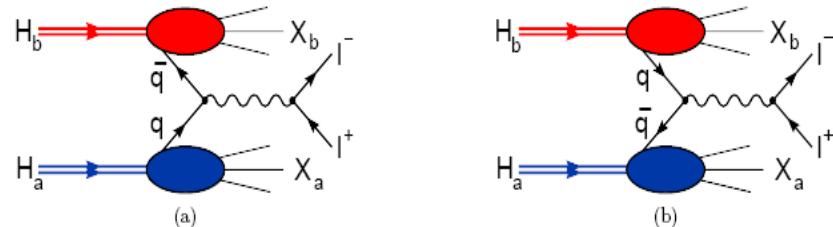
circumference	- 503 m,
number of intersection points (IP)	- 2,
beta function $\beta_{min}$ in the IP	- 0.35 m,
number of protons per bunch	- $\sim 1 \cdot 10^{12}$ ,
number of bunches	- 22,
RMS bunch length	- 0.5 m,
incoherent tune shift, $\Delta_{Lasslett}$	- 0.027,
beam-beam parameter, $\xi$	- 0.067,
beam emittance $\epsilon_{nrm}$ , $\pi$ mm mrad	- 0.15 (normalized at 12.5 GeV).

Bunch crossing each 80 ns;  
crossing rate 12.5 MHz .

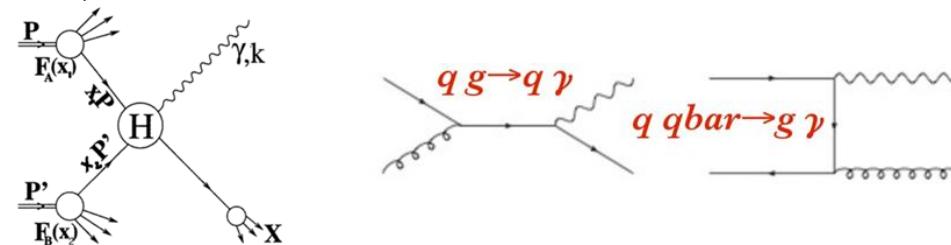
# Physics tasks

## ► Nucleon spin structure studies

- Drell-Yan pair production;

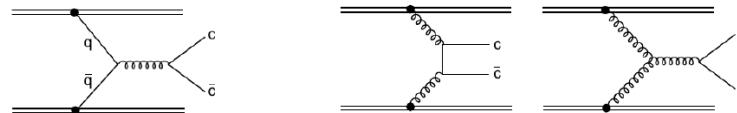


- Direct photons;



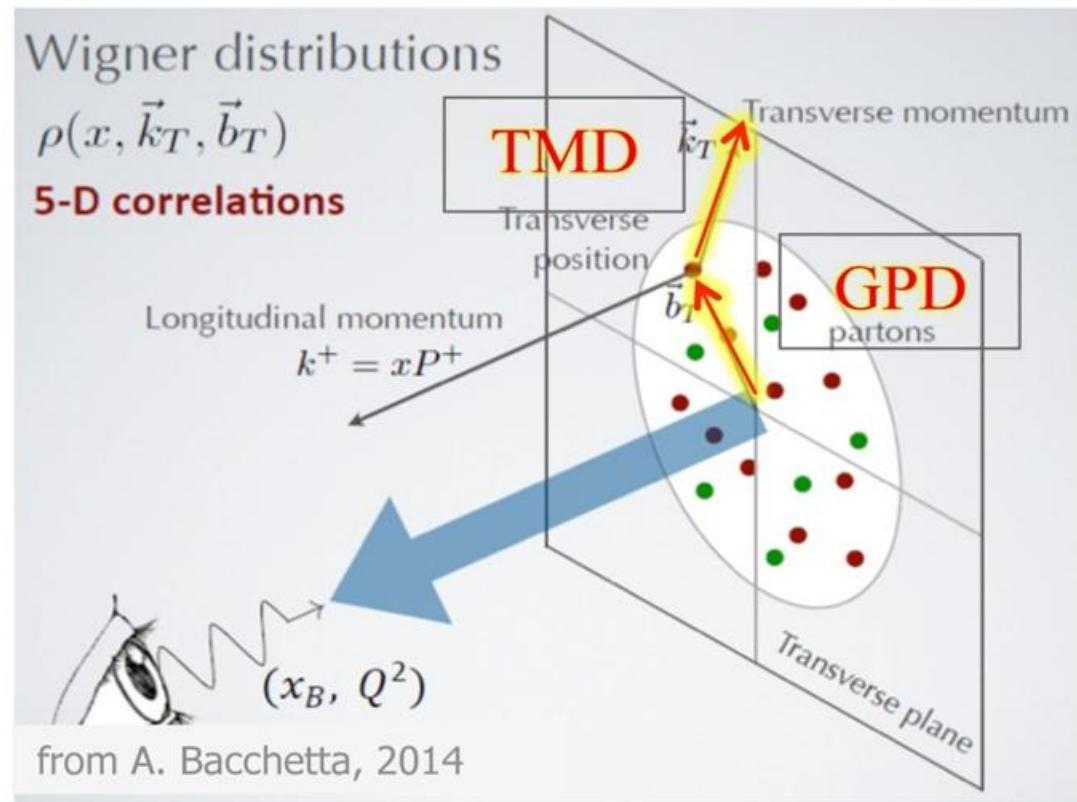
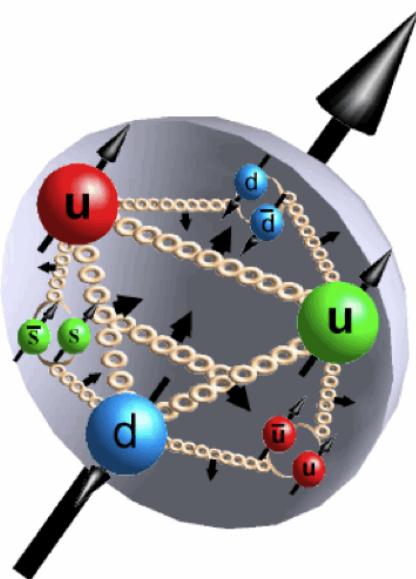
- Nucleon PDFs by J/ψ production;

LO  $c\bar{c}$  production diagram:



- Spin-dependent effects in elastic pp, pd and dd scattering;
- Spin effects in exclusive hadron production;
- Spin effects in production of hadrons with high  $p_T$  ;
- etc....

# Spin dependent PDFs

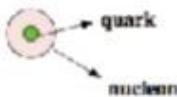


Transversity Momentum Distributions: TMD ( $x, k_T$ )  
probe the **transverse parton momentum dependence**

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Generalized Parton Distributions : GPD ( $x, b_T$ ):  
probe the **transverse parton distance dependence**

# TMD and GPD



## NUCLEON

	unpolarized	longitudinally pol.	transversely pol.
unpolarized	$f_1$ number density		$f_{1T}^\perp$ Sivers
longitudinally pol.		$g_{1L}$ helicity	$g_{1T}$
transversely pol.	$h_1^\perp$ Boer–Mulders	$h_{1L}^\perp$	$h_{1T}^\perp$ transversity pretzelosity

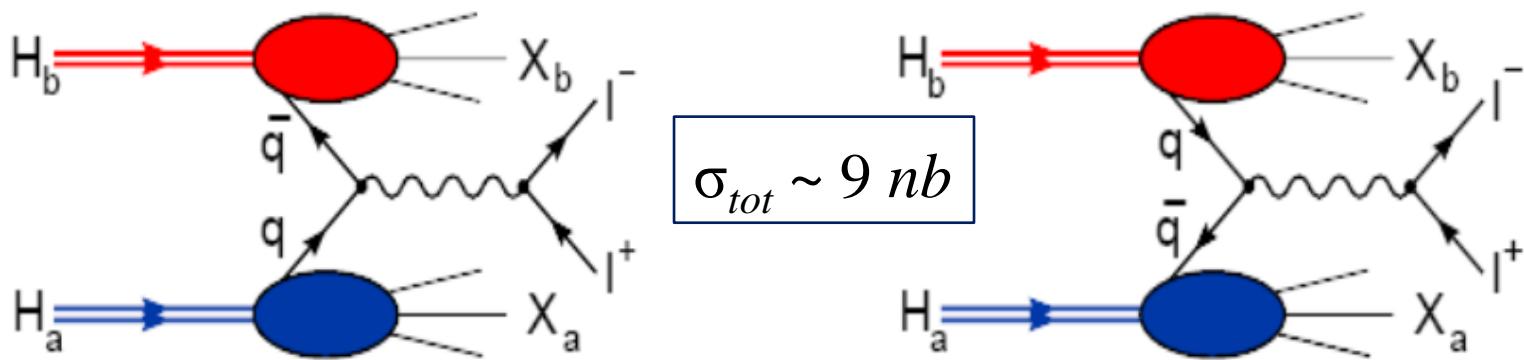
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**chiral-odd**

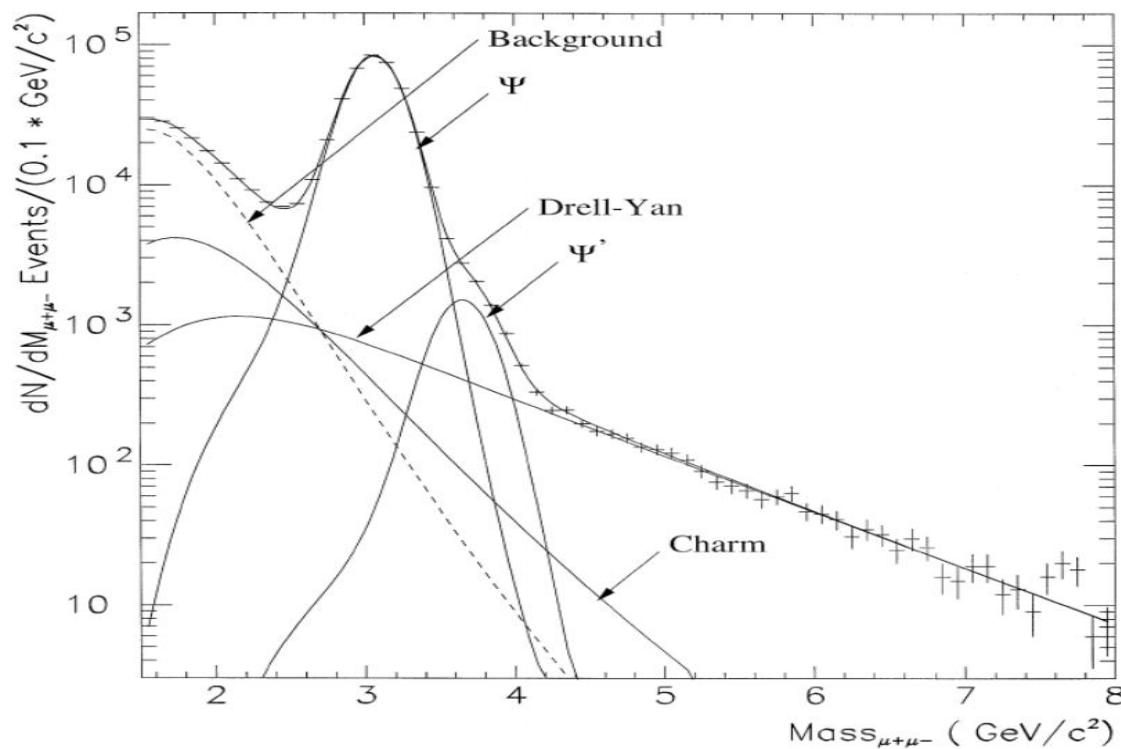
3 PDFs are needed to describe nucleon structure in collinear approximation

8 PDFs are needed if we want to take into account intrinsic transverse momentum  $k_T$  of quarks

## Drell-Yan pairs

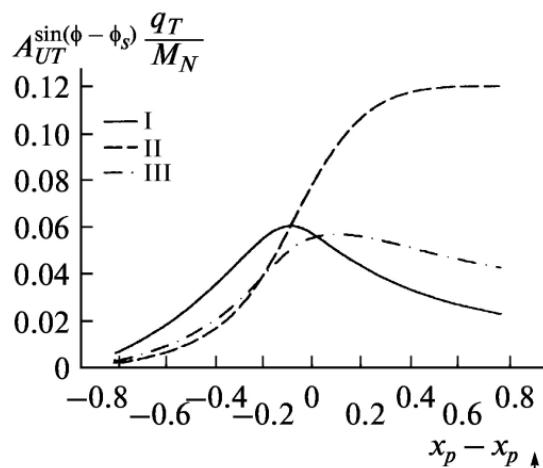


Dimuon spectrum from NA51 ( $\sqrt{s} = 29.1 \text{ GeV}$ )

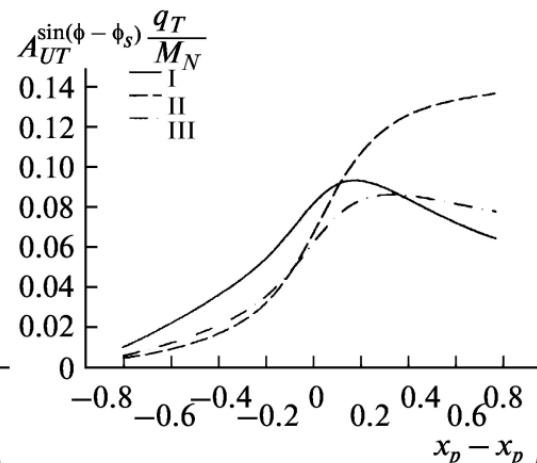


# Asymmetries in DY pair production

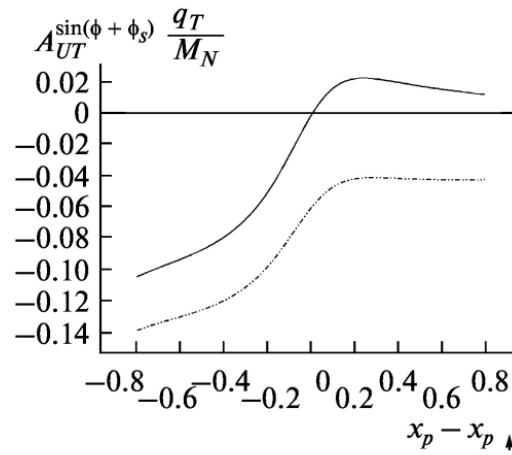
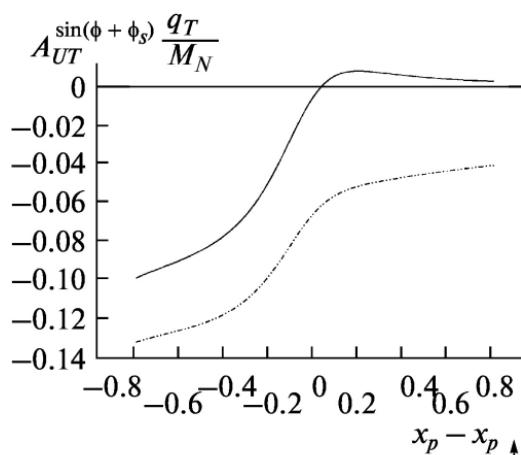
$Q^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$



$Q^2 = 15 \text{ GeV}^2$



Sivers



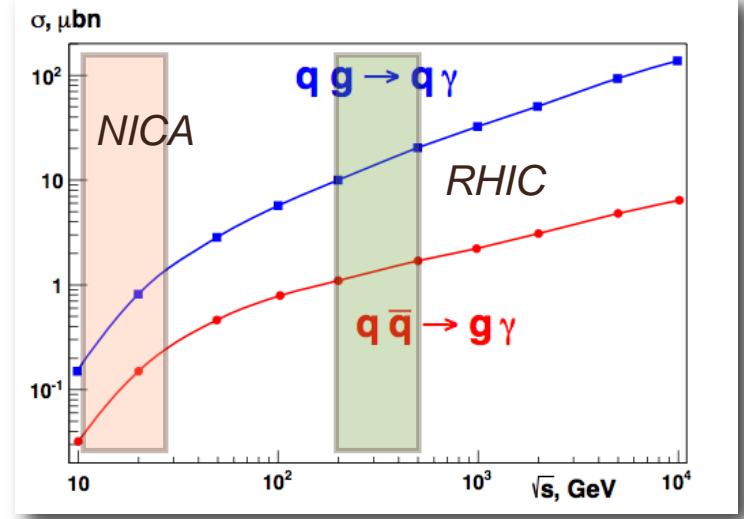
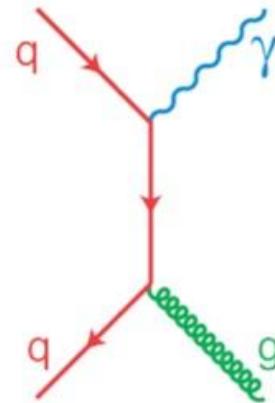
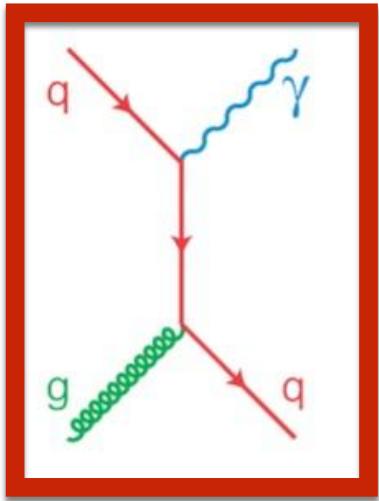
J.C.Collins *et al.*, PRD73  
(2006)014021

Boer-Mulders

$s = 400 \text{ GeV}^2$

# Prompt photons

The gluon Compton scattering gives access to the gluon content of proton:



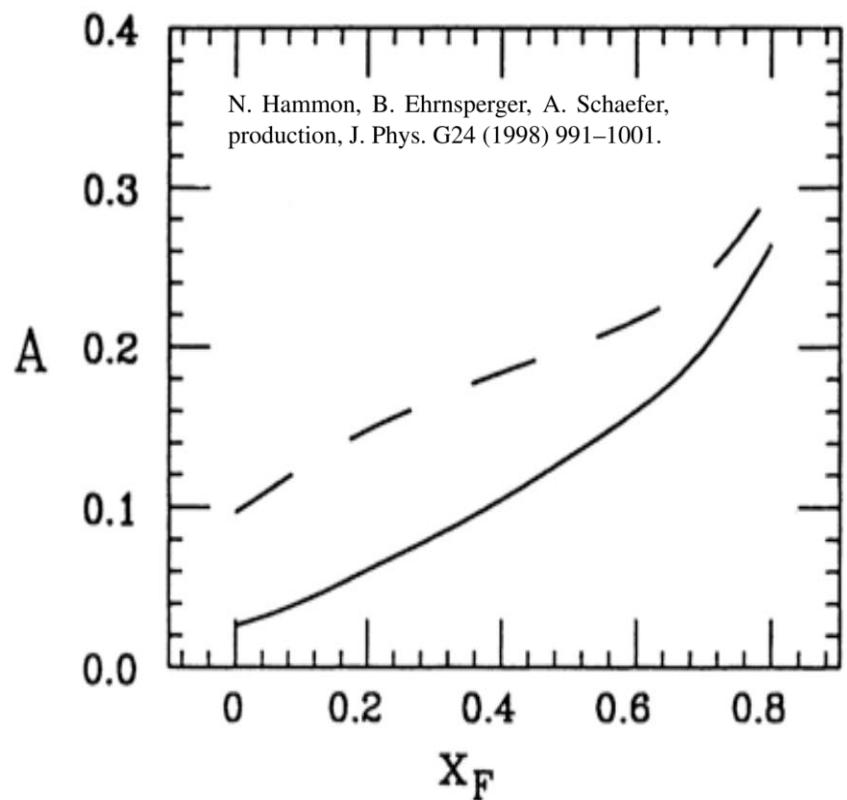
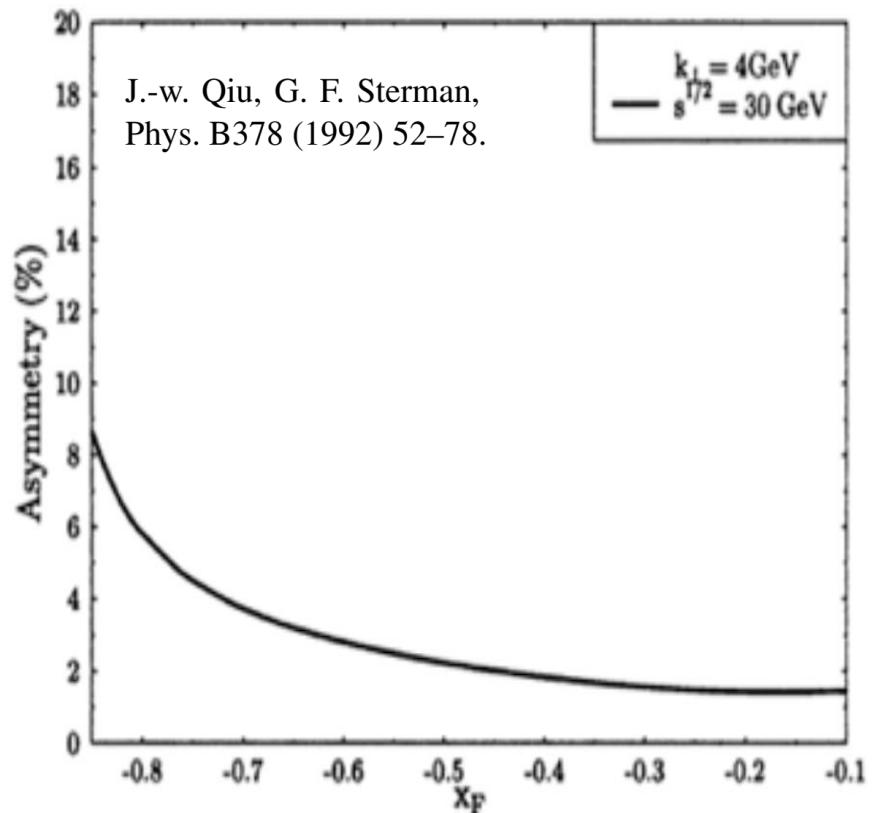
Transverse beam polarization: access to the Sivers function for gluons

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^\uparrow - \sigma^\downarrow &= \sum_i \int_{x_{min}}^1 dx_a \int d^2 \mathbf{k}_{Ta} d^2 \mathbf{k}_{Tb} \frac{x_a x_b}{x_a - (p_T/\sqrt{s}) e^y} [q_i(x_a, \mathbf{k}_{Ta}) \Delta_N G(x_b, \mathbf{k}_{Tb}) \\ &\quad \times \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dt}(q_i G \rightarrow q_i \gamma) + G(x_a, \mathbf{k}_{Ta}) \Delta_N q_i(x_b, \mathbf{k}_{Tb}) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dt}(G q_i \rightarrow q_i \gamma)] \end{aligned}$$

Longitudinal beam polarization: access to gluon polarization  $\Delta g/g$

$$A_{LL} \approx \frac{\Delta g(x_1)}{g(x_1)} \cdot \left[ \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 [\Delta q(x_2) + \Delta \bar{q}(x_2)]}{\sum_q e_q^2 [q(x_2) + \bar{q}(x_2)]} \right] + (1 \leftrightarrow 2)$$

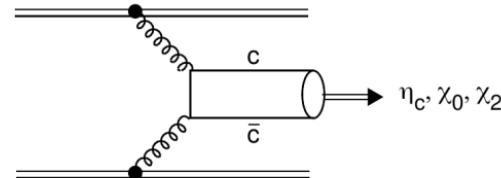
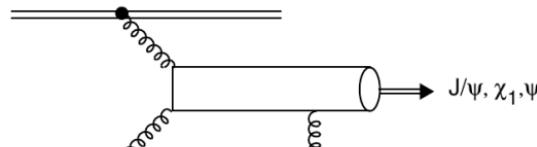
# Expected asymmetries



# Charmonia production

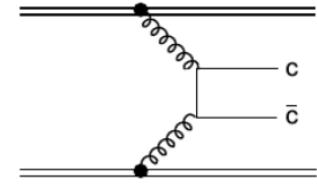
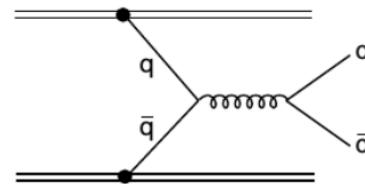
## Gluon fusion

Charmonia production is sensitive to gluon distributions of colliding hadrons.

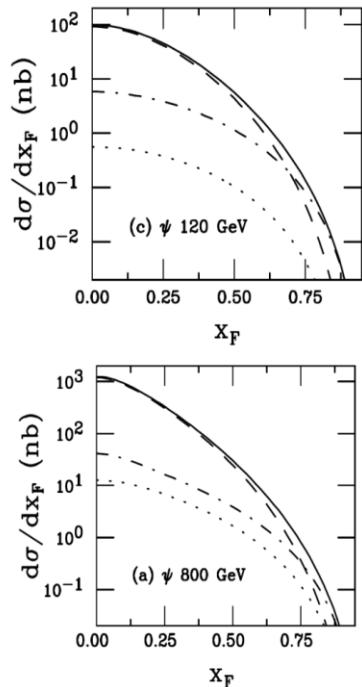


CS diagrams from Int. J. Mod. Phys. A10:3043-3070 1995

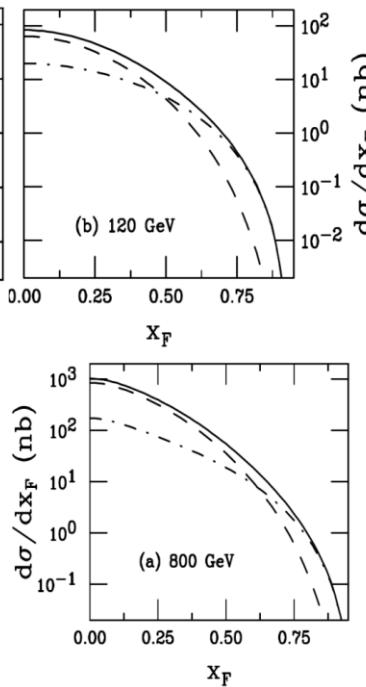
## Quark annihilation



## NRQCD

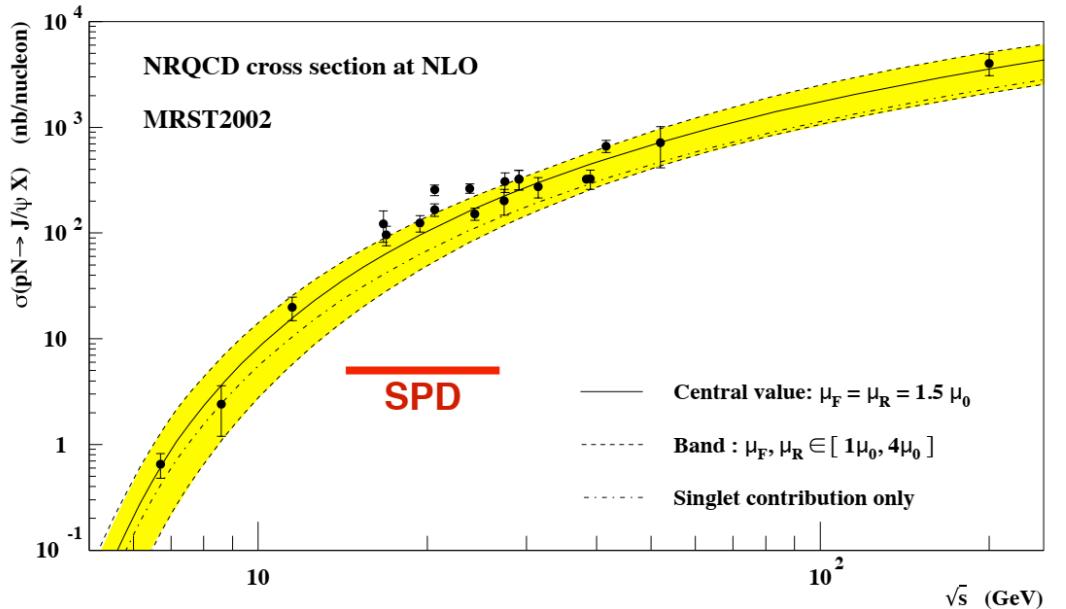


## CEM



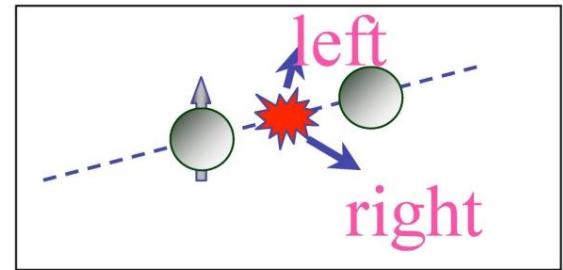
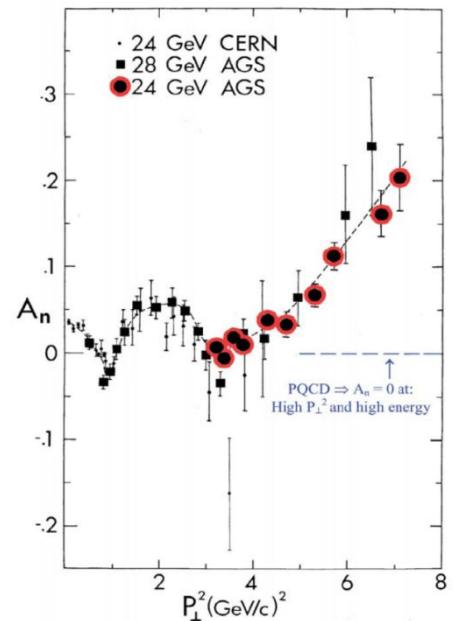
## NRQCD cross section at NLO

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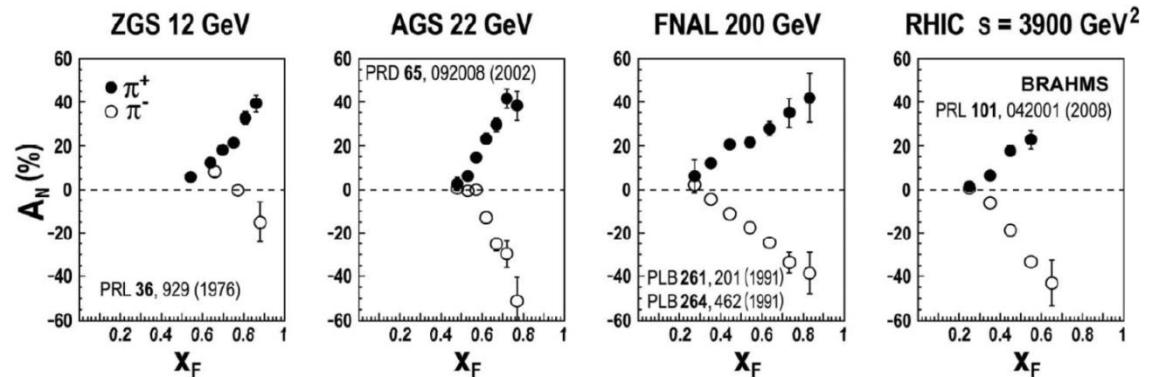
# Asymmetries in high $p_T$ hadron production

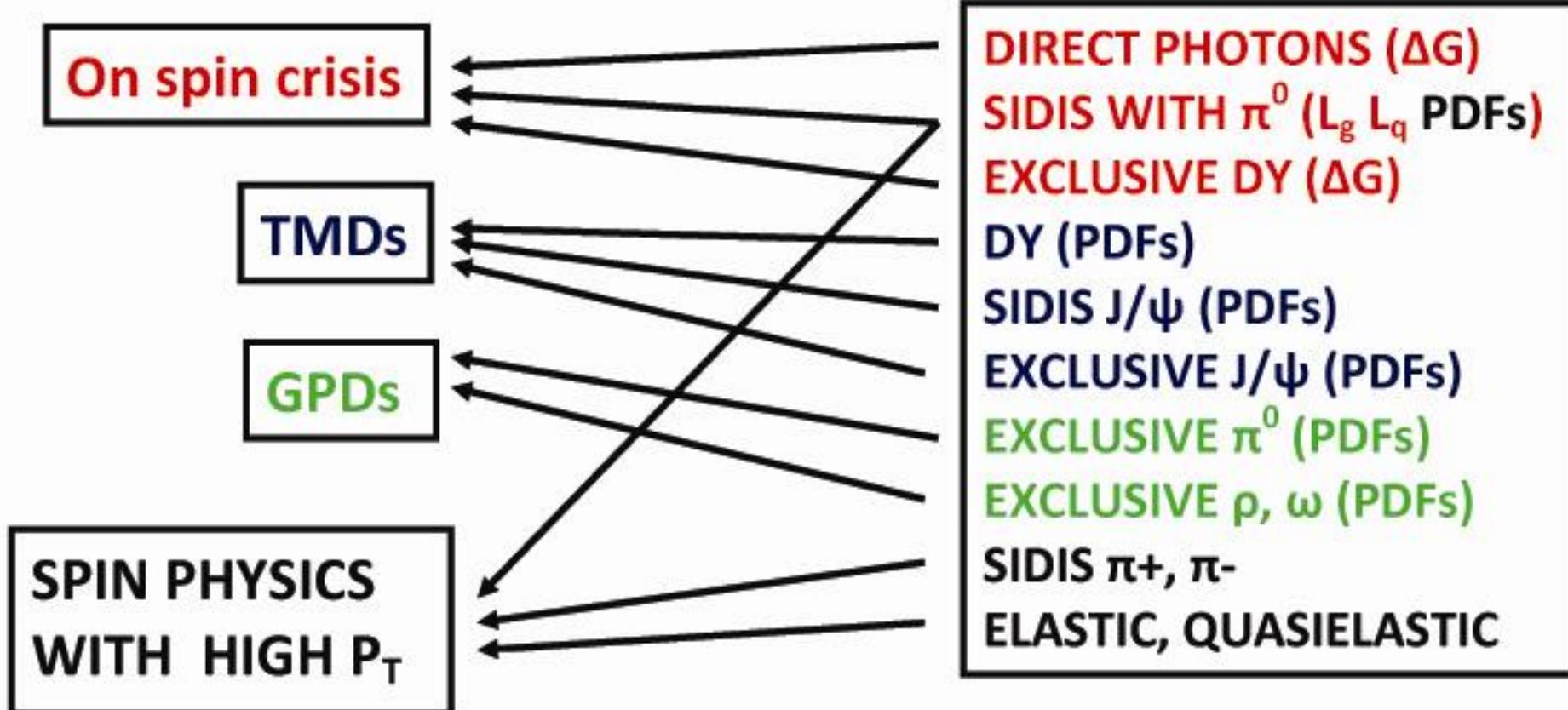
- Diquark properties;
- Confinement laws;
- Nature of the huge spin effects;
- Deuteron spin structure;
- Properties of the bare  $N\Lambda$ - and  $NK$ -interactions;
- Nature and properties of the cold super dense baryonic matter (CsDBM) (pA and AA);
- Dilepton production puzzle in np-interaction.



## INCLUSIVE PION ASYMMETRY IN PROTON-PROTON COLLISIONS

C. Aidala SPIN 2008 Proceeding and CERN Courier June 2009

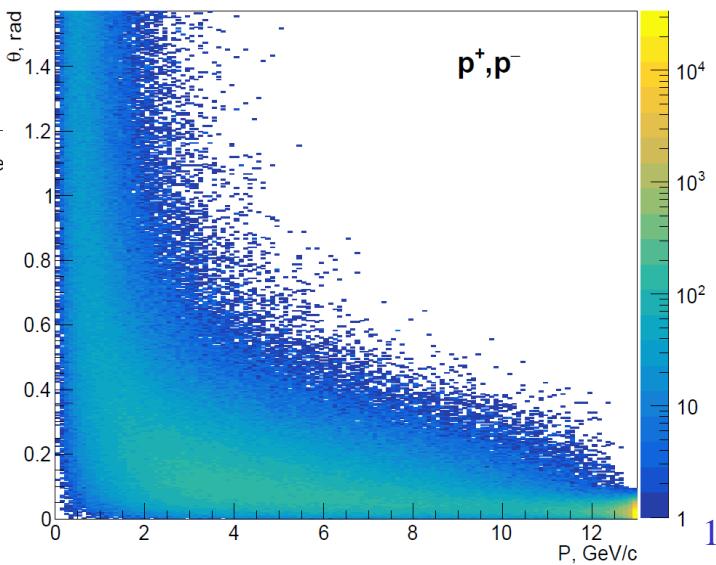
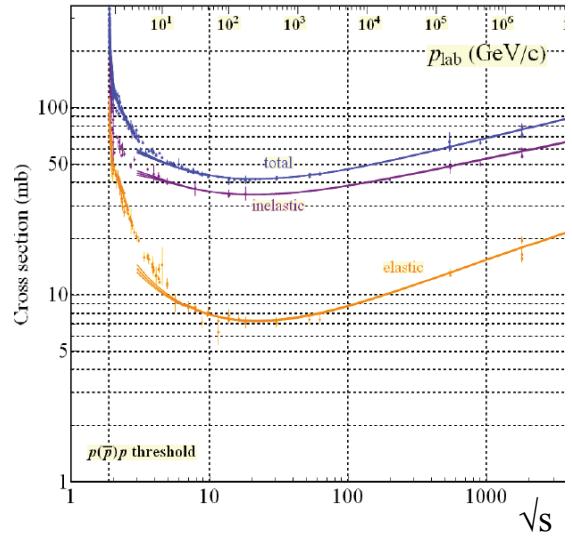
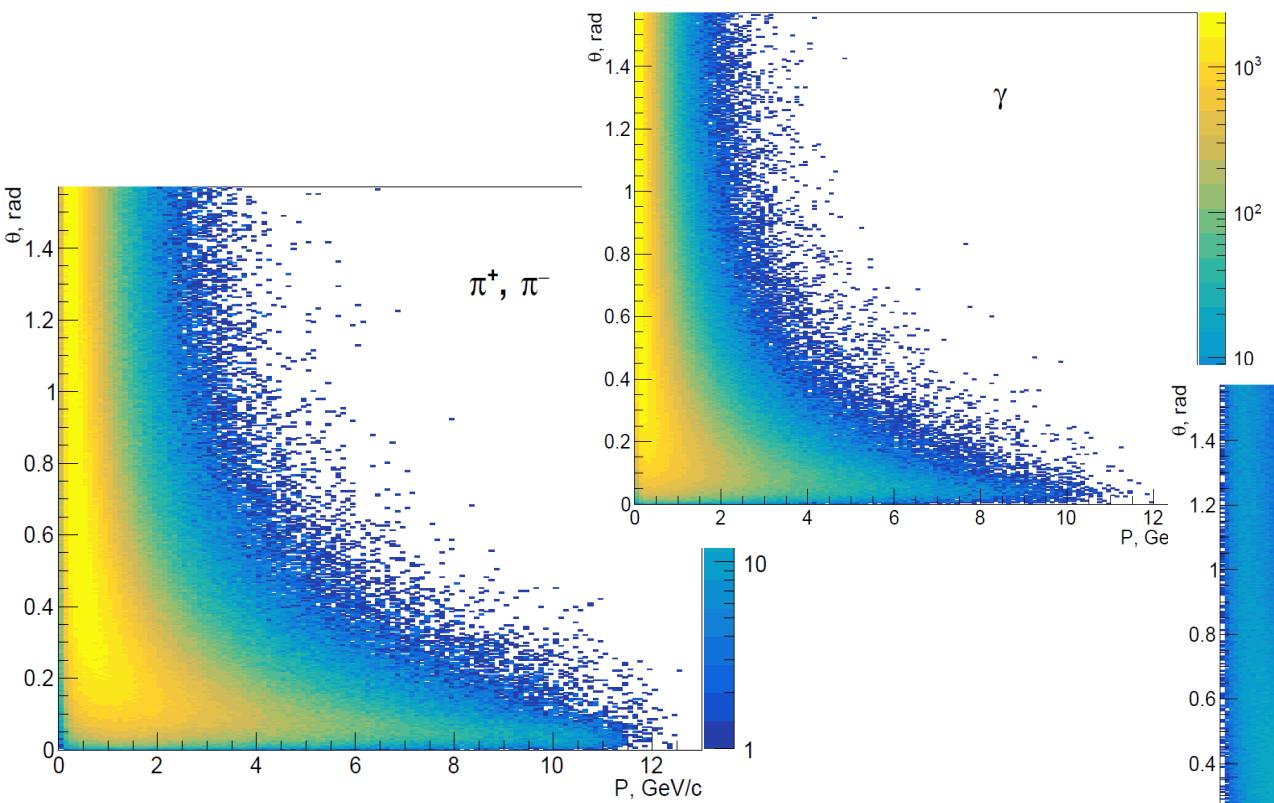




# Minimum biased events

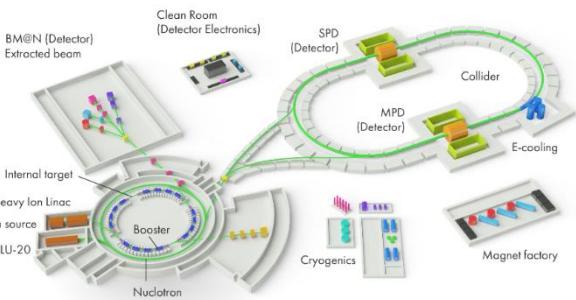
PYTHIA 6,  $\sqrt{s}_{pp} = 26 \text{ GeV}$ ; 4 MHz event rate

- Average charged particles' multiplicity  $\sim 14$
- Average neutral particles' multiplicity  $\sim 23$



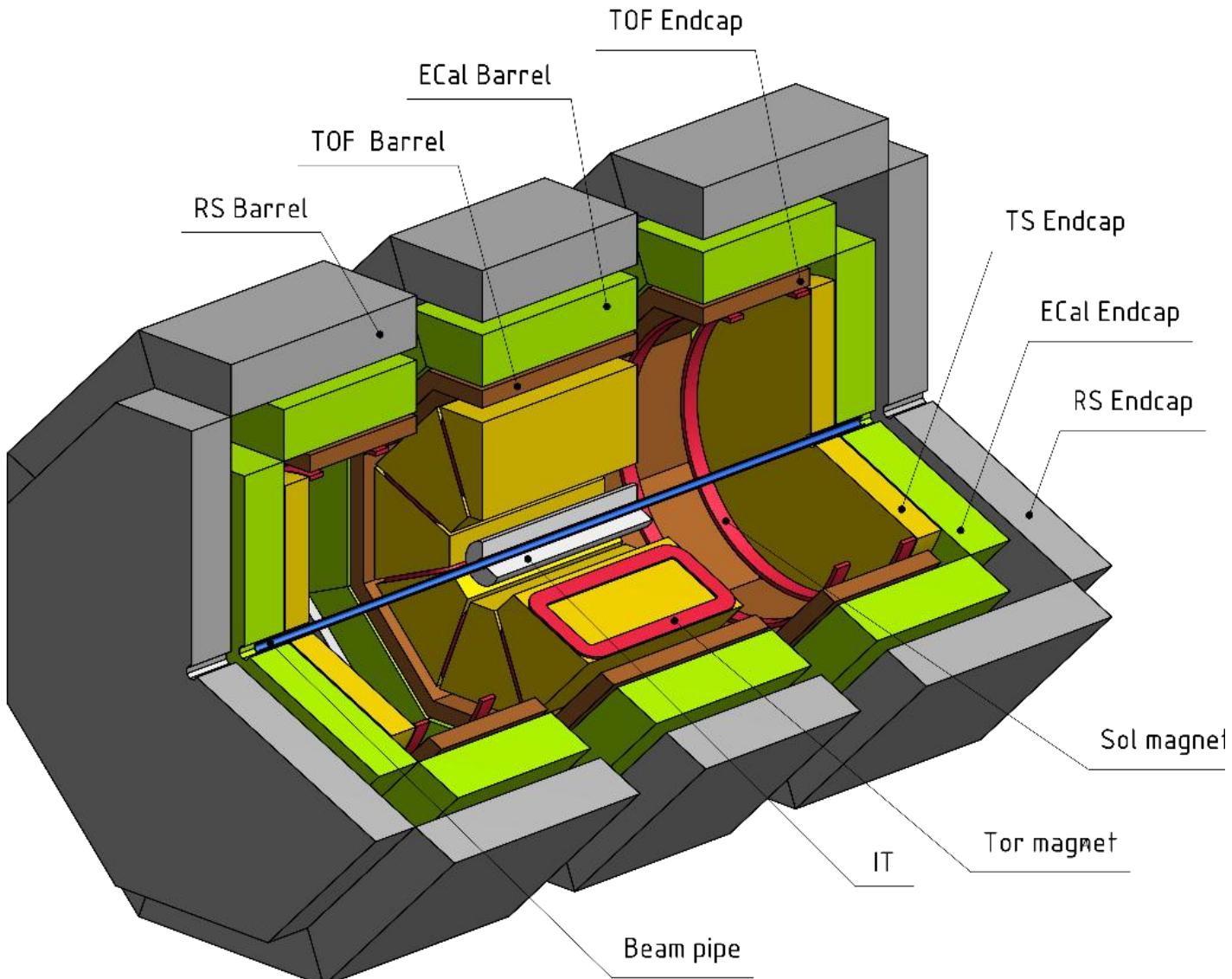
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# Requirements for the SPD

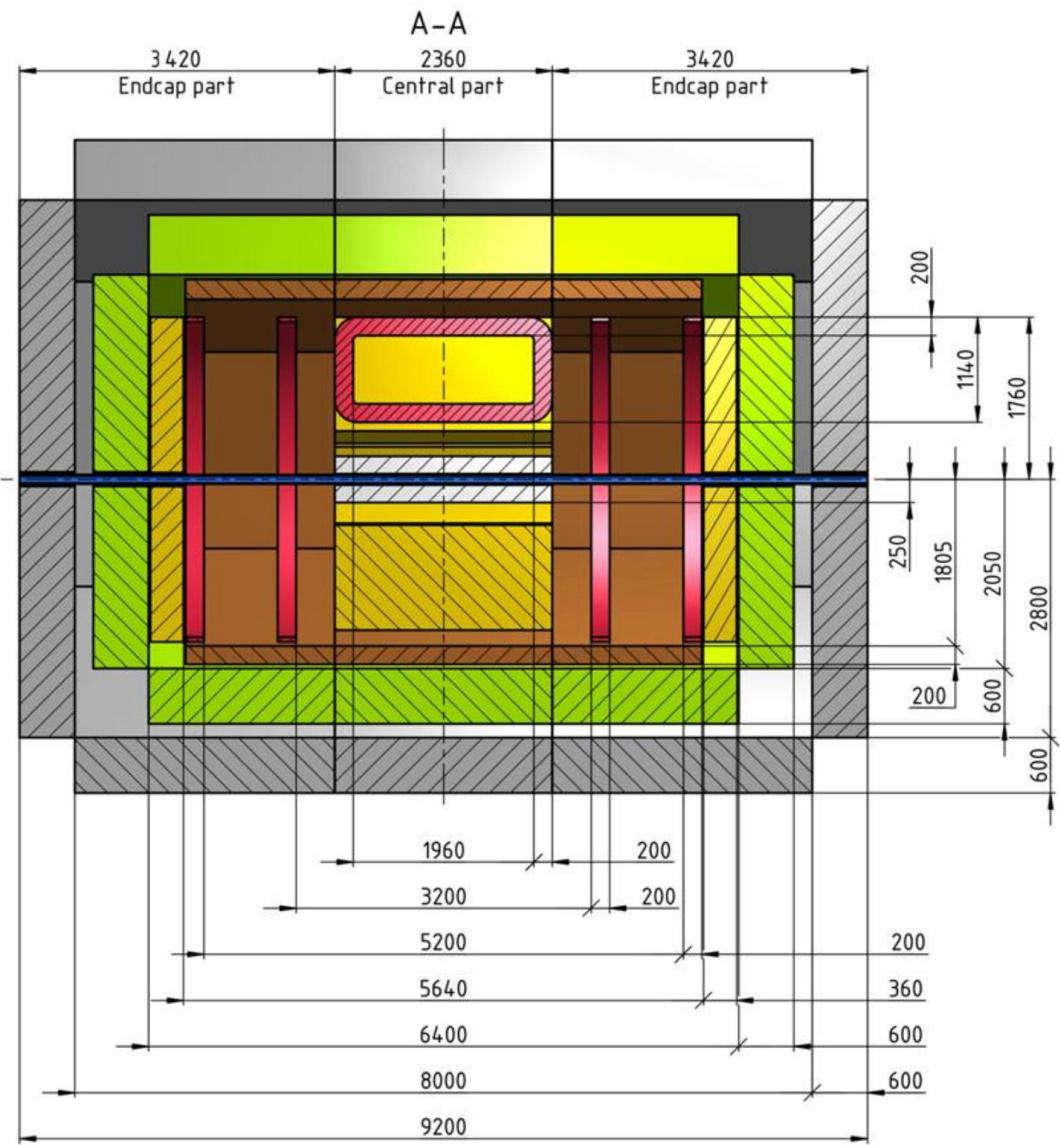
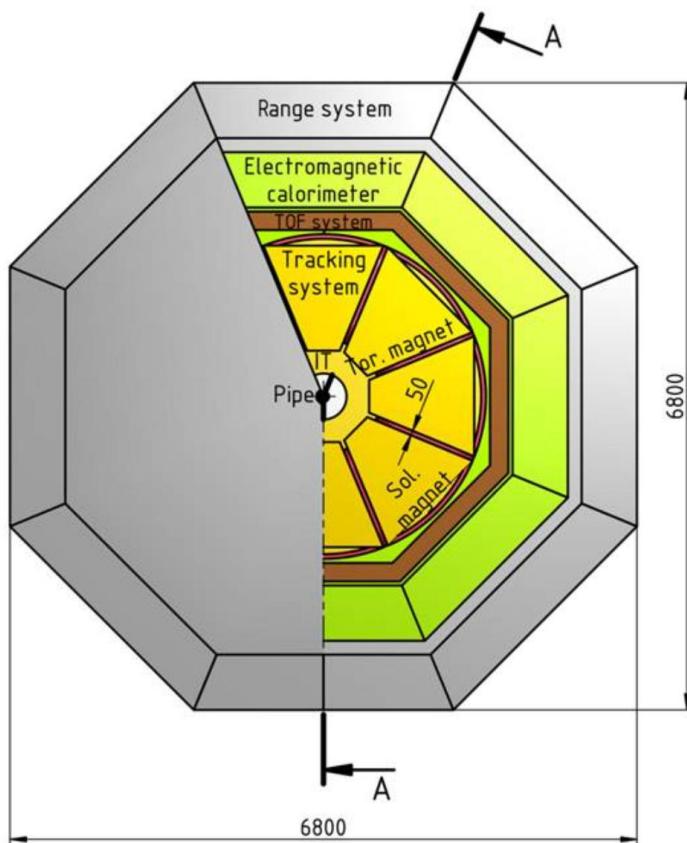


- close to  $4\pi$  geometrical acceptance;
- high-precision ( $\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$ ) and fast vertex detector;
- high-precision ( $\sim 100 \mu\text{m}$ ) and fast tracker,
- good particle ID capabilities;
- efficient muon range system,
- good electromagnetic calorimeter,
- low material budget over the track paths,
- trigger and DAQ system able to cope with event rates at luminosity of  $10^{32} (\text{cm.s})^{-1}$ ,
- modularity and easy access to the detector elements, that makes possible further reconfiguration and upgrade of the facility.

# General view



# Dimensions



# Hybrid magnetic system

$\frac{1}{2}$  model symmetry

$$B^{(z)}(x, y, 0) = 0.$$

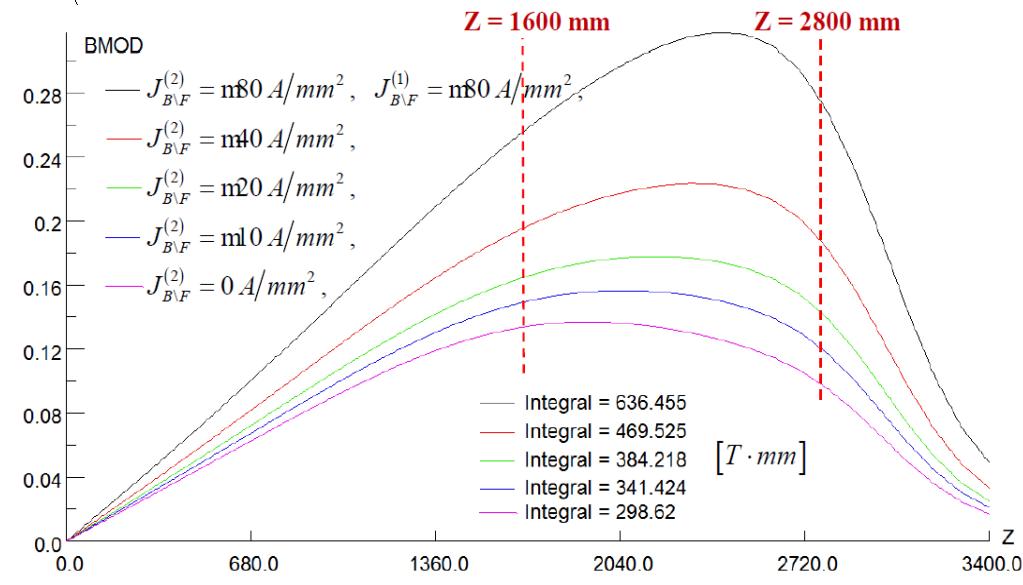
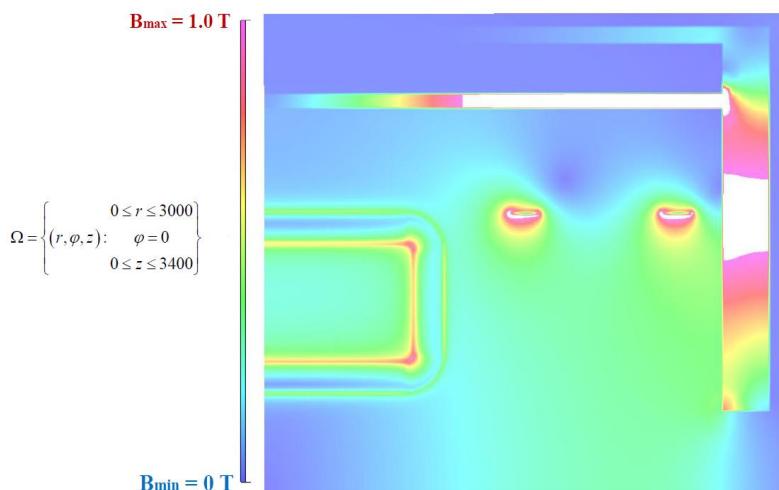
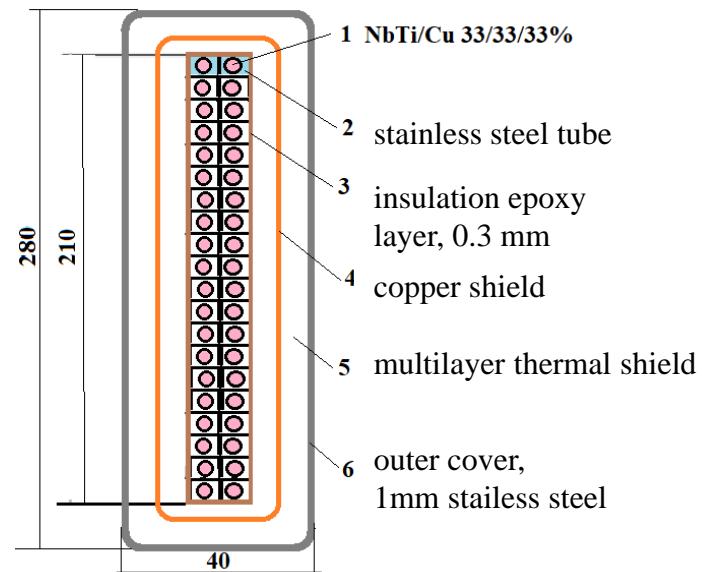
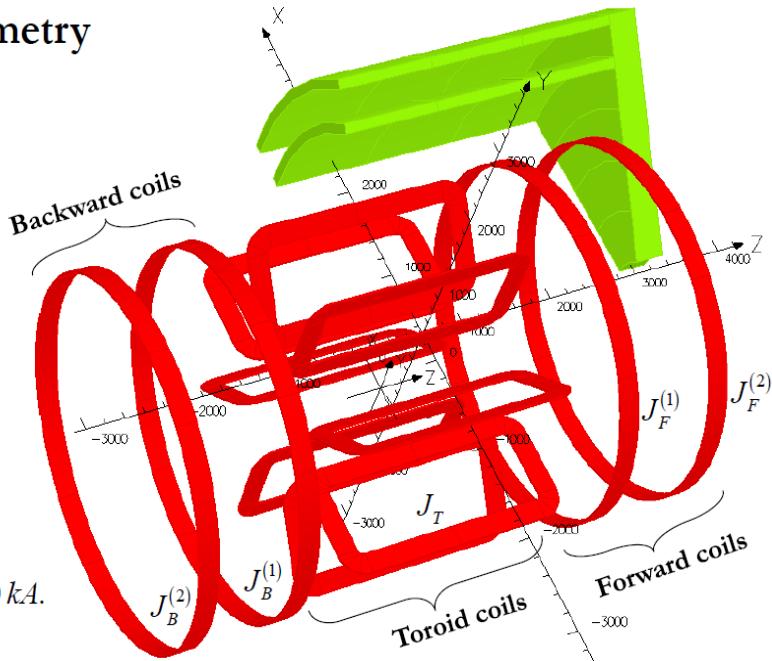
$$J_T = 40 \frac{A}{mm^2},$$

$$J_{B\setminus F}^{(1,2)} = m80 \frac{A}{mm^2},$$

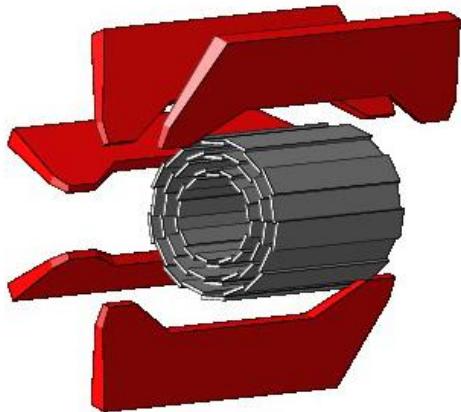
$$S = 200 \times 20 mm^2,$$

$$I_T = J_T \cdot S = 160 kA,$$

$$I_{B\setminus F} = J_{B\setminus F} \cdot S = m320 kA.$$

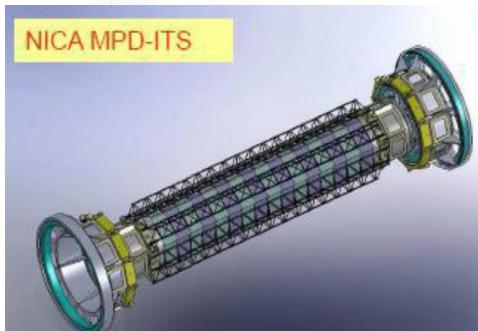


# Vertex detector / Inner tracker

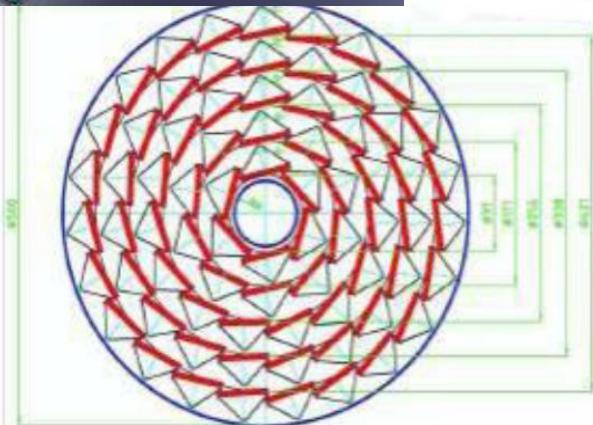


## Silicon Vertex Detector

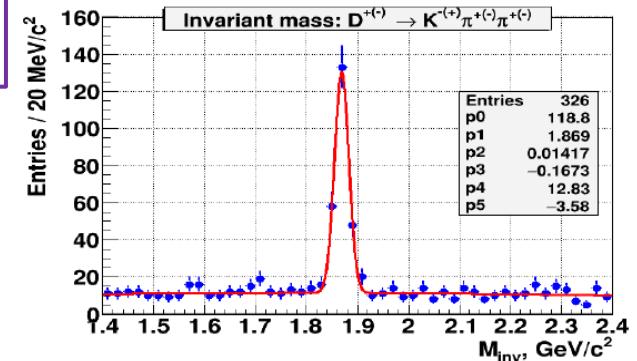
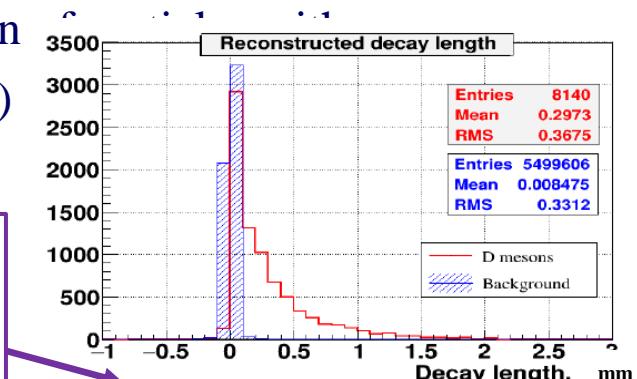
- Silicon vertex detector around the beam pipe;
- Several layers of double -sided silicon strips or MAPS;
- Optimized number of layers w.r.t. material budget;
- Goal: few tens of  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution for the vertex reconstruction  $\rightarrow$  detection charm and rejection of ( $\pi$ )



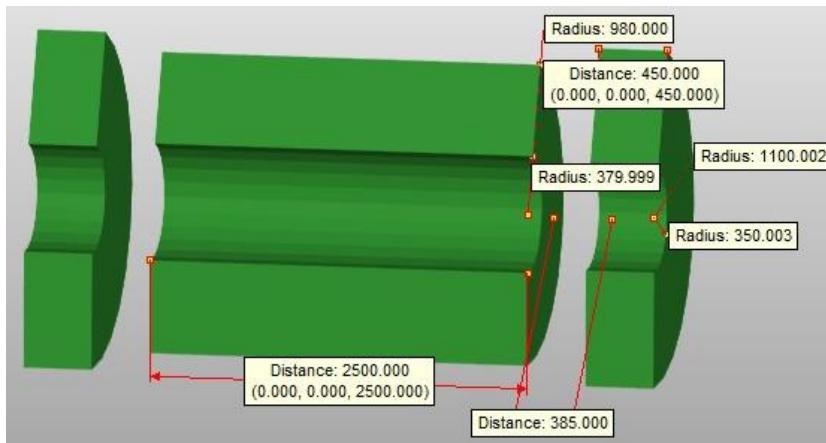
NICA MPD-ITS



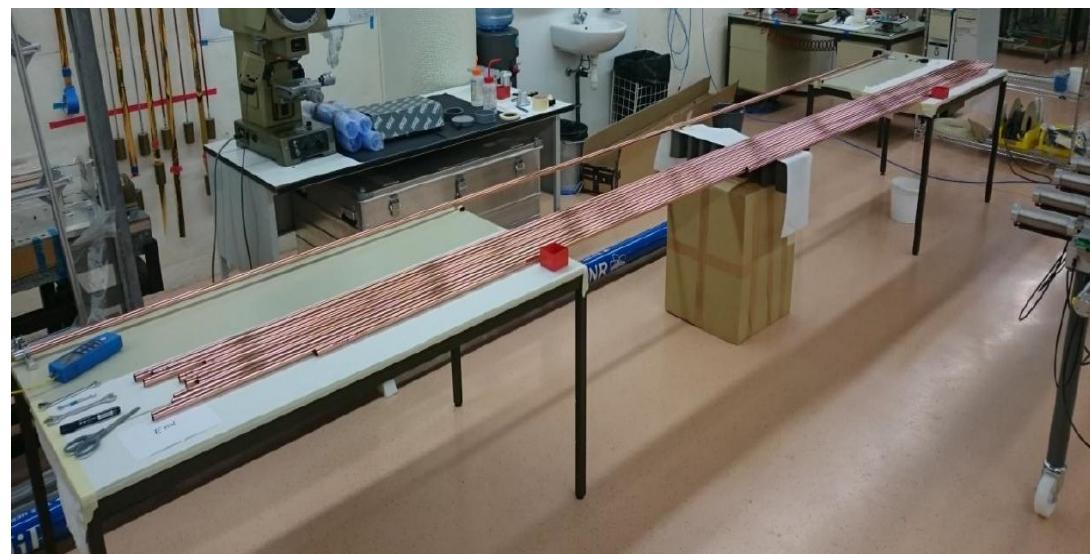
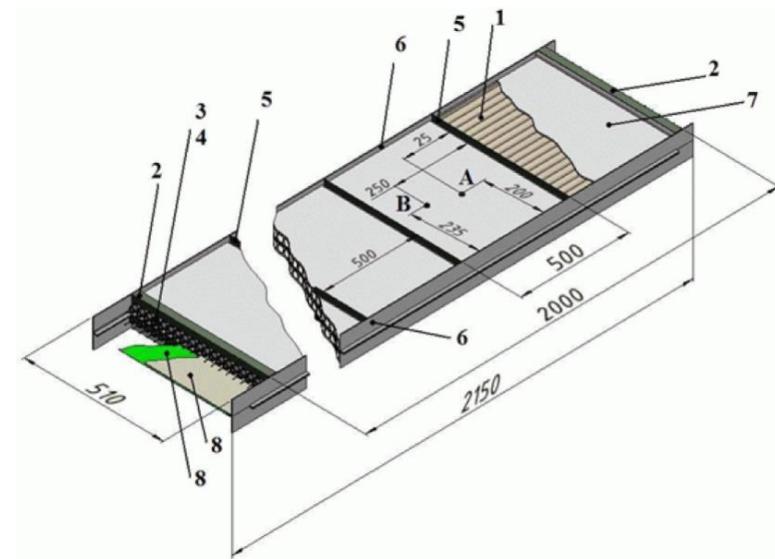
From A. Zinchenko,  
MPD ITS with  
MAPS  $\rightarrow$  open  
charm registration

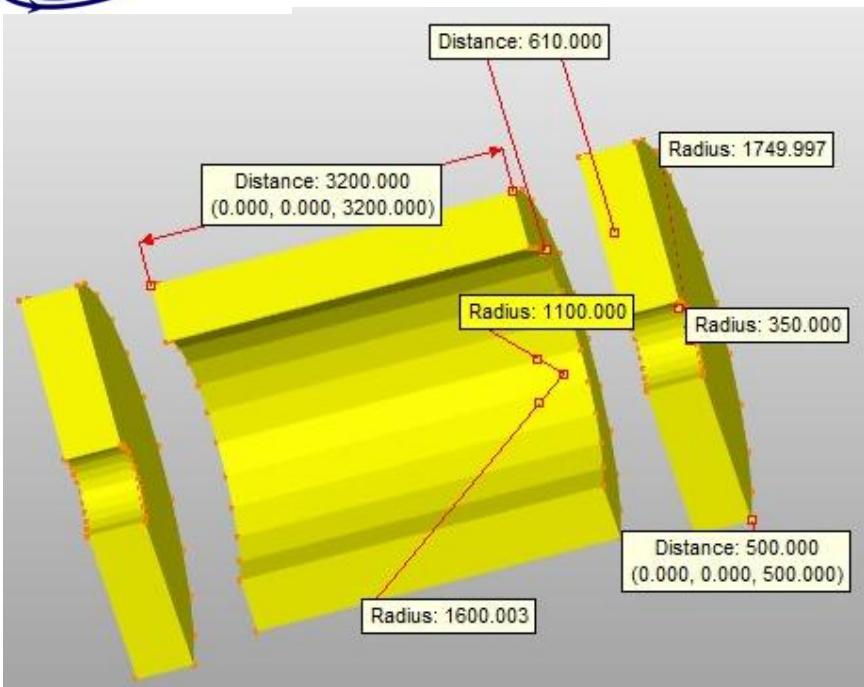


# Central tracker: straw tubes

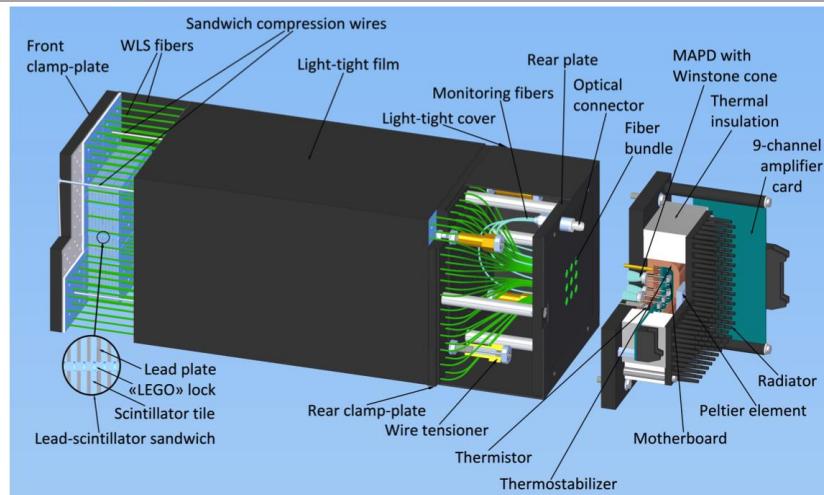


- Minimum material on the particle tracks ( $X_0 \sim 0.1$ );
- Time ( $\sim 100$  ns) and spatial resolution ( $\sim 100$   $\mu\text{m}$ );
- Expected particle rates (DAQ rates)  $\sim$  MHz;
- Technology developed also in JINR, production workshops available





- Photon energy range 0.1 - 10 GeV;
- Due to space limitations the total length of the ECAL module should be less than 50 cm;
- Required energy resolution  $<10.0\%/\sqrt{E}$  (GeV) and energy threshold below 100 MeV.
- The version of ECal modules developed at JINR for the COMPASS-II experiment at CERN could be a good candidate ("shashlik" design);
- Crystal variant is being considered, too.



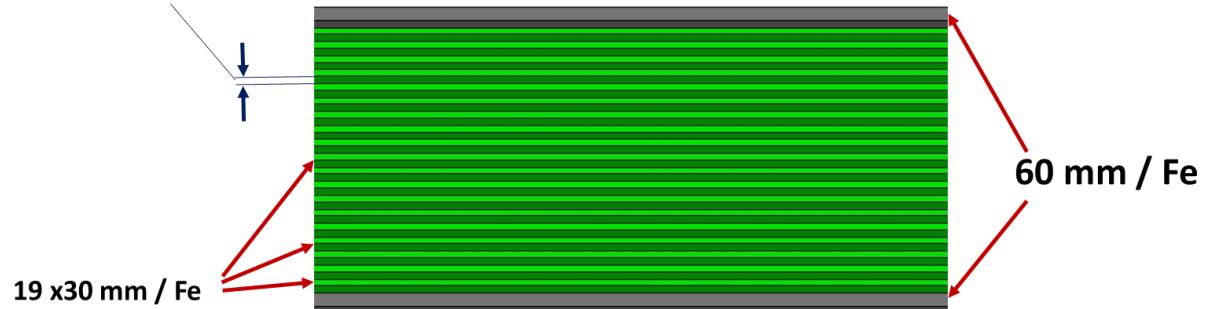
## Avalanche multichannel photodetectors



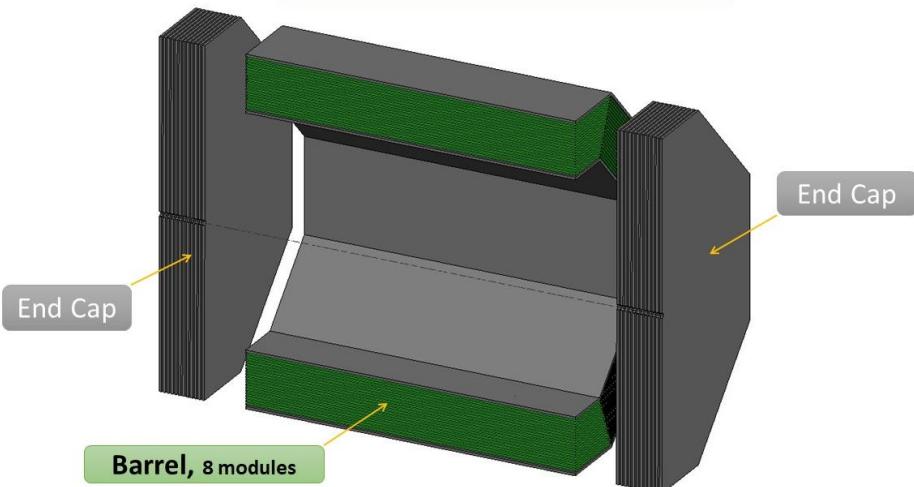
Surface mount type   Custom made

# Range system

35 mm – gaps for MDT detectors



**SPD/NICA Range System**  
(3D model, vertical cross section)



- It should provide good (>95%) muon identification for momenta above 1 GeV.
- Combination of responses from the ECal and RS could give additional lever for rejecting of pions and protons in a wide energy range.
- The RS also provides additional coordinate measurement.

Our design will follow closely the design of the PANDA experiment range system (at FAIR, GSI) being developed now at the DLNP of JINR

## DAQ

- The SPD DAQ may be developed *a la* FPGA-based DAQ of the COMPASS experiment;
- Event rate  $\sim 3.0$  MHz (at  $L=10^{32}$  cm $^{-2}$ s $^{-1}$ ,  $\sqrt{s}=27$  GeV);
- Rough preliminary estimation of the total data flux from the detectors (Si tracker + straw tracker + RPC + ECal + range system): 10-20 GBytes/s (no detailed simulation results available yet);
- Triggered or trigger-less DAQ: to be decided.

Systems that have not been thought out yet...

- TOF system for particle ID (multigap glass RPCs, Micromegas, Aerogel Cherenkov?);
- Beam-beam counters (BBC) and T0 counter;
- "Zero degree" system (fine grained hadron calorimeter?)
- System for a local polarimetry;
- Front-end electronics;

# Project status and roadmap

# Start of the SPD project

- **Letter of Intent** presented at the JINR PAC in summer 2014, where:
  - the physics program of the experiment was developed;
  - requirements to NICA polarized beams were formulated;
  - desired detector characteristics and sketch of the facility were given;
- A few presentation at international conferences about the physics potential and program of the SPD were given;
- Several workshops on spin physics at NICA were organized:
  - NICA-SPIN-2013, Дубна, 17-19.03.2013
  - SPIN-Praha-2013, 7-13.07.2013
  - NICA-SPIN-2014, Praha, 11-16.02.2014
  - SPIN-Praha-2015, 26-31.07.2015
  - DSPIN2013, DSPIN2015, DSPIN2017

arXiv: 1408.3959



Nec sine te, nec tecum vivere possum. (Ovid)\*

## Spin Physics Experiments at NICA-SPD with polarized proton and deuteron beams.

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(Letter of Intent presented at the meeting of the JINR Program Advisory Committee (PAC) for Particle Physics on 25–26 June 2014.)

In 2017 a new stage of the project started:  
**From LoI to CDR (Conceptual Design Report)**

# Status

- Simplified detector sketch and simulations of basic physics processes (Oct. 2017- end of 2018) **ONGOING**;
- Development of a simplified design of the detector and costing **ONGOING**;
- Negotiations for an international collaboration and sharing of responsibilities for the design and construction of the facility **ONGOING** :
  - INFN section of Turin and University of Turin;
  - Charles University, Prague;
  - Technical University, Prague
  - Tomsk State University;
  - Tomsk Polytechnic University;
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  - Gomel State Technical University, Belarus;
  - Institute for High Energy Physics, Protvino;
  - Institute of Nuclear Physics of the Moscow State University;
  - Institute for Nuclear Research, Troitsk;
  - Lebedev Physics Institute, Moscow;
  - Institute for Theoretical and Experimental Physics, Moscow;
  - St. Petersburg Nuclear Physics Institute, Gatchina;
  - St. Petersburg State University;
  - St. Petersburg Polytechnic University
  - ...

Protocols for joint research within  
the SPD project signed.

Bilateral agreements on NICA exist.

# Roadmap

- Writing up of a formal JINR project for the SPD design (*i.e. for preparation of the Conceptual and Technical Design Reports*) and submission of the project to the PAC for Particle Physics:
  - status report presented at the PAC meeting in Jan. 2018;
  - submission of the application to the PAC in Nov. 2018 for their meeting in Jan. 2019;
- Setting up of the collaboration and election of its management bodies (2019);
- Signing of an MoU based on “*Regulations for the organization of experiments conducted by international collaborations using the capabilities of the JINR basic facilities*” [http://www.jinr.ru/wp-content/uploads/JINR\\_Docs/Regulation\\_for\\_the\\_organization\\_of\\_experiments\\_eng.doc](http://www.jinr.ru/wp-content/uploads/JINR_Docs/Regulation_for_the_organization_of_experiments_eng.doc) (2019).

## Roadmap (cont'd)

- Preparation of the Conceptual Design Report (2019);
- Preparation of the Technical Design Report, including prototyping – first stage (2020 – 2022), second stage (2023);
- Construction of the detector (2022-2025);
- First measurements – 2025...



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