

Transverse Single-Spin Asymmetry for Diffractive
Electromagnetic Jets with $p^\uparrow + p$ Collisions at
 $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV

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1 Chapter 1

2 Introduction

3 Transverse single-spin asymmetries (A_N), which are defined as left-right asym-
4 metries of the particle production with respect to the plane defined by the
5 momentum and spin directions of the polarized beam, have been observed to be
6 large for charged- and neutral-hadron production in hadron-hadron collisions
7 over a couple of decades [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]. In pQCD, however, the A_N is predicted
8 to be small and close to zero in high energy collisions [6]. There are two major
9 frameworks that can provide a potential explanation for such sizeable asymme-
10 tries. The first one is the transverse-momentum-dependent (TMD) contribu-
11 tions from the initial-state quark and gluon Sivers functions and/or the final-
12 state Collins fragmentation functions. In the Sivers mechanism, the asymmetry
13 comes from the correlation between the proton spin and the parton transverse
14 momentum [7], while the Collins effect arises from the correlation between the
15 spin of the fragmenting quark and the outgoing hadron's transverse momentum
16 [8]. Another framework is based on the twist-3 contributions in the collinear
17 factorization framework, including the quark-gluon or gluon-gluon correlations
18 and fragmentation functions [9].

19 According to the study by CMS Collaboration [10], diffractive interactions
20 contribute to about a significant fraction ($\sim 25\%$) of the total inelastic p+p
21 cross section at high energies. The simulation for hard diffractive events based
22 on PYTHIA-8 predicts that the fraction of diffractive cross section in the total
23 inclusive cross section at the forward region is about 20% [4]. In recent years,
24 analyses of A_N for forward π^0 and electromagnetic jets (EM-jets) in $p^\uparrow + p$
25 collisions at STAR indicated that there might be non-trivial contributions to
26 the large A_N from diffractive processes [5, 11]. Measuring the A_N of diffractive
27 process will provide an opportunity to study the properties and understand the
28 diffractive exchange in p+p collisions.

29 In this study, we will explore the A_N for the events with unpolarized proton

³⁰ intact (single diffractive process) and the events with polarized proton intact
³¹ (the semi-exclusive process).

32 Chapter 2

33 Dataset and Quality 34 Assurance (QA)

35 2.1 General information for the dataset

36 The single diffractive and the semi-exclusive EM-jet A_N analyses utilize polar-
37 ized p+p collision at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV taken in run 15. Details of the data set are
38 listed as follow:

- 39 • Trigger setup name: production_pp200trans_2015
- 40 • Data stream: fms
- 41 • Production tag: P15ik
- 42 • File type: MuDst files in Distributed Disk (DD)

43 The analysis generates smaller size data stream files (NanoDst) from the
44 MuDst files, applying trigger filter (described in Sec. (2.2)) and jet reconstruc-
45 tion (described in Sec. 3.1). In addition, the events with at least one Roman
46 Pot track are required for diffractive EM-jet A_N analysis when generating the
47 DST files.

48 2.2 Triggers

49 9 triggers for FMS are used for this analysis. The triggers with their ID are
50 listed in Table (2.1). However, the FMS-sm-bs3 trigger is also considered a
51 source of background. Therefore, the effect of this trigger will be studied as
52 systematic uncertainty, which will be explained in 8.3.

Table 2.1: Trigger name lists and trigger ID for run 15

Trigger name	Trigger ID
FMS-JP0	480810 / 480830
FMS-JP1	480809 / 480829
FMS-JP2	480808 / 480828
FMS-sm-bs1	480801 / 480821 / 480841
FMS-sm-bs2	480802 / 480822
FMS-sm-bs3	480803 / 480823 / 480843
FMS-lg-bs1	480804 / 480824 / 480844
FMS-lg-bs2	480805 / 480825
FMS-lg-bs3	480806 / 480826

53 2.3 Calibration

54 The calibration for run 15 FMS dataset are from existing STAR framework [12],
 55 but with some additional steps. They mainly include the following items:

- 56 • Bit shift (BS): It refers to the binary bit, used to store the ADC value,
 57 not starting from the normal lowest bit. The BS will affect a cell's ADC
 58 distribution and the corresponding hit energy. The approach to check the
 59 BS is to use the ADC of each FMS hit to check with its corresponding BS
 60 value of the cell [12].
- 61 • Gain and gain correction: The energy of the hit = $\text{ADC} \times \text{gain} \times \text{gain}$
 62 correction. The gain is the calculated value based on a cell's η position,
 63 while the gain correction is obtained from offline calibration [12]. The flag
 64 of the gain and the gain correction for each tower in the STAR database
 65 is "fmsGainCorr-BNL-C".
- 66 • Hot channel and bad channel masking: A hot channel refers to the tower
 67 with a number of hits far more than the average number of hits for the
 68 whole detector towers within some time range. A bad channel refers to
 69 the problematic towers that might suffer from hardware issues. Both hot
 70 and bad channels can affect the quality of the calibration and the analyses
 71 since there are quite a lot of non-physical signals that are contaminated.
 72 To mask out these channels, the gain values are set to zero. In addition to

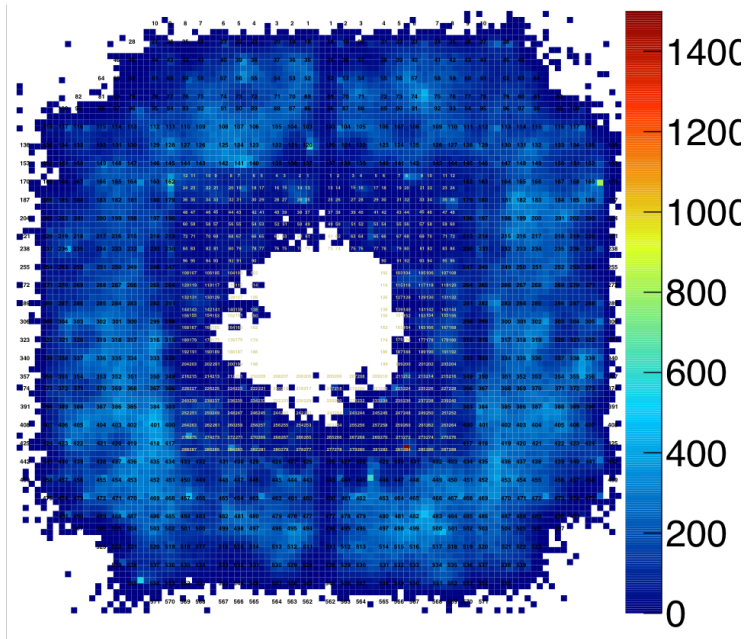


Figure 2.1: Example of EM-jet distribution at FMS before additional hot channel masking. The red color area in this plot indicates the possible hot channels.

73 the existing hot channel and bad channel masking from STAR calibration
 74 [12], the fill-by-fill hot channel masking is applied in this analysis. The
 75 EM-jet distribution before any event selections for every fill is checked to
 76 find out any possible hot channels. The EM-jet reconstruction is discussed
 77 in 3.1. Figure (2.1) shows one example of the EM-jet distribution at
 78 the FMS. The areas with extremely high EM-jet entries compared to the
 79 overall average entries in the plot are assumed to be the hot channel
 80 area. The channels within these areas are considered hot channels and
 81 added manually to the hot channel lists. Figure (2.2) shows the EM-jet
 82 distribution for fill 18827 as an example after the additional hot channel
 83 masking. From the plot, the hot channels disappear, and the majority of
 84 towers have entries close to the average.

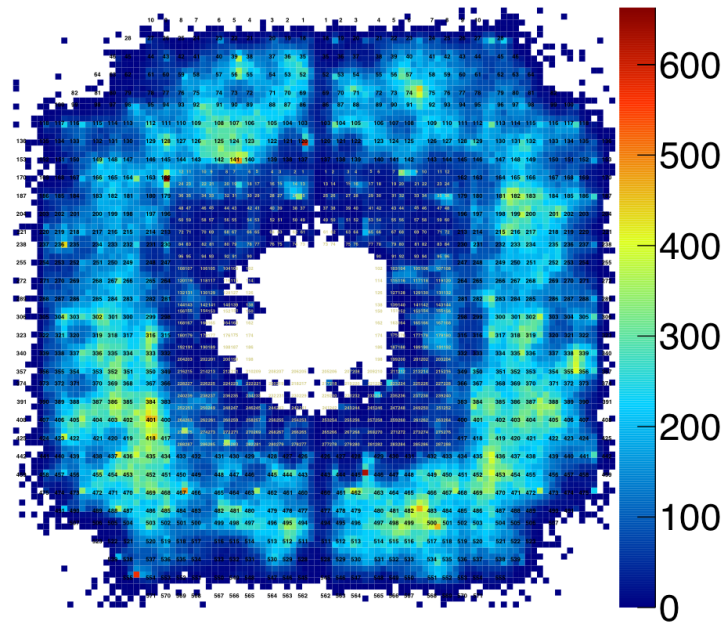


Figure 2.2: Example of EM-jet distribution at FMS after additional hot channel masking.

Chapter 3

Single Diffractive Process and Event Selection

One of the major characteristics of the diffractive processes is the presence of the rapidity gap. This analysis utilizes the proton track from east RP and the EM-jet at FMS, which allows for the large rapidity gap. Since there is only 1 proton in the final state process, this diffractive process is called the single diffractive process. The diagram for this process is shown in Fig. (3.1).

In order to determine the single diffractive process and minimize the effect of accidental coincidence events (AC) and pile-up events, the event selections and corrections include the following items:

1. Triggers: The triggers used for this analysis are the FMS BS triggers and FMS JP triggers. They are listed in Table(2.1). Only the events with any triggers fired are kept.
2. EM-jet cut: Details of the EM-jet cuts are in Section (3.1)
 - EM-jet reconstruction: EM-jets are reconstructed by FMS points

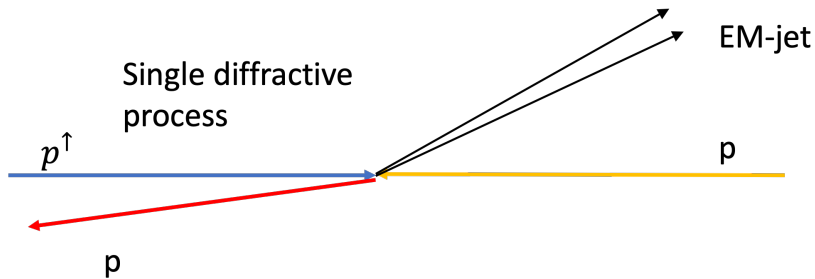


Figure 3.1: Diagram for single diffractive process.

- 101 using the Anti- k_T algorithm with $R = 0.7$. The FMS points are
102 required to have $E > 1$ GeV and $E_T > 0.2$ GeV.
- 103 • The EM-jets are required to have $p_T > 2$ GeV and pass trigger p_T
104 threshold.
 - 105 • The pseudorapidity (η) of the EM-jets is within [2.8, 3.8].
 - 106 • The event with EM-jet $E > 100$ GeV are excluded.
 - 107 • The number of EM-jets for each event is 1.
 - 108 • Energy corrections for EM-jets: Underlying-Event (UE) correction
109 (details in Sector(4.1) , and EM-jet energy correction (details in Sec-
110 tor(4.2)))
- 111 3. Event property cut: Details of the event property cuts are in Section (3.2)
- 112 • Veto on abort gap.
 - 113 • The spin status for the blue beam and yellow beam is correct and
114 accepts the 4 cases of 4-bit spin patterns (Tab. (3.2)).
 - 115 • The vertex z is within [-80, 80] cm.
- 116 4. BBC East veto cut: Details of the BBC East veto cut are in Section (3.3).
- 117 • East BBC ADC sum cut: east side large BBC ADC sum < 80 and
118 east side small BBC ADC sum < 90 .
- 119 5. Roman Pot (RP) track cut: Details are in Section (3.4)
- 120 • Only accept the event with exactly only one east side RP track.
 - 121 • The east RP track must hit at least 7 RP silicon planes.
 - 122 • East RP track ξ dependent θ_X , θ_Y , p_X and p_Y cuts.
 - 123 • East RP track ξ range: $0 < \xi < 0.15$

124 3.1 Electromagnetic jet reconstruction and cuts

125 Electromagnetic jets (EM-jets) are jets consisting of only photons. The photon
126 candidates for EM-jets reconstruction are the FMS points. The description of
127 FMS points can be found in [14].

128 In order to reduce the noise background, only the FMS points with $E > 1$
129 GeV are applied to the EM-jet reconstruction. The EM-jets are reconstructed
130 with the anti- k_T algorithm from the FastJet package [13], with the resolution
131 parameter $R = 0.7$. The primary vertex of the EM-jets is determined according
132 to the priority of the TPC vertex, VPD vertex, and BBC vertex. If the primary

133 vertex cannot be determined among these three detectors, it will be set to be
 134 (0,0,0). The EM-jet transverse momentum (p_T) is required to pass the trigger
 135 threshold and the fixed threshold 2 GeV/ c threshold. The trigger thresholds are
 136 listed in Table (3.1). All of them have a 15% increase compared to the original
 137 trigger threshold setup.

138 The EM-jet vertex is determined by the primary vertex following the priority
 139 of TPC, VPD, and BBC. If the primary vertex can be obtained by TPC, the
 140 TPC vertex will be the primary vertex. Otherwise, check the VPD vertex on the
 141 next step. If there is no VPD vertex, then check the BBC vertex. If there is still
 142 no BBC vertex, the primary vertex is set to be $z=0$. The fraction of the vertex
 143 z obtained from TPC, VPD, and BBC are 1%, 33%, and 50%, respectively. The
 144 vertex z cut on $|z| < 80$ cm is considered.

145 In addition, we apply the cut on EM-jet pseudorapidity (η), which aims to
 146 get rid of the badly reconstructed EM-jets and the EM-jets hitting outside the
 147 FMS. Therefore, the η of the EM-jet cut is required to be within [2.8, 3.8].

148 Also, the events with EM-jet energy $E > 100$ GeV or $|x_F| > 1$ are discarded,
 149 where Feynman- x x_F can be estimated by the EM-jet energy divided by the
 150 beam energy ($x_F = \frac{2E}{\sqrt{s}}$). These events are about 0.17% of the entire dataset.
 151 Those events with these unreasonable EM-jets are possibly pile-up events.

152 The general raw EM-jet p_T vs energy distribution is shown in Fig. (3.2).

153 Finally, the number of EM-jets in each event is required to be only one. This
 154 can satisfy the requirement for single diffractive events and minimize the effect
 155 of the pile-up events. Figure (3.3) shows the number of EM-jets distribution,
 156 about 92% of the events are containing only one EM-jet at FMS.

157 3.2 Event property cut

158 The abort gap for both blue beam and yellow beam is within bunch ID [31, 39]
 159 and [111, 119] for run 15. The events with either blue beam or yellow beam
 160 with the abort gap are discarded.

161 The spin patterns for each beam, either up or down, are obtained from the
 162 bunch crossing of each event. The translation from the database for the spin
 163 patterns is described in Tab. (3.2). The spin patterns for both blue and yellow
 164 beam are combined as 4-spin bit. The events satisfying the following 4 4-spin
 165 bit cases in Table (3.2) are considered in this analysis. These patterns require
 166 the polarizations of both blue and yellow beam are either up or down.

Trigger name	Trigger ID	15% increase p_T cut [GeV]
FMS-JP0	480810 / 480830	1.84
FMS-JP1	480809 / 480829	2.76
FMS-JP2	480808 / 480828	3.68
FMS-sm-bs1	480801	1.26
FMS-sm-bs1	480821 / 480841	1.15
FMS-sm-bs2	480802 / 480822	1.84
FMS-sm-bs3	480803	2.53
FMS-sm-bs3	480823 / 480843	2.18
FMS-lg-bs1	480804	1.26
FMS-lg-bs1	480824 / 480844	1.15
FMS-lg-bs2	480405 / 480425	1.84
FMS-lg-bs3	480406 / 480426	2.76

Table 3.1: EM-jet trigger threshold p_T cut, listed by trigger name and trigger ID.

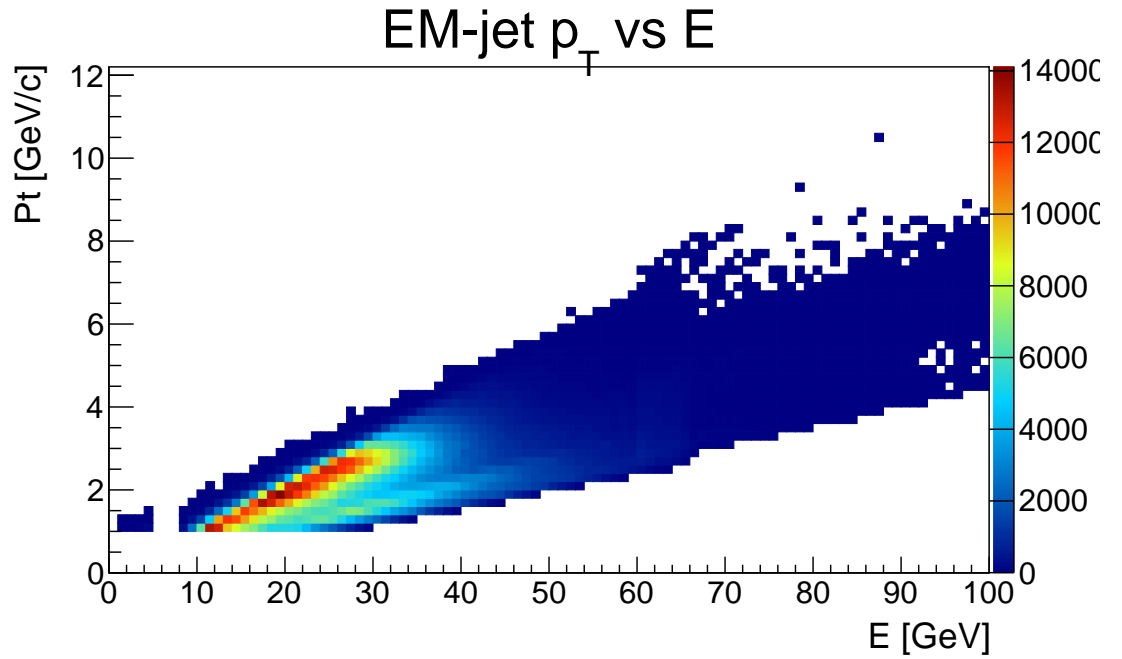


Figure 3.2: EM-jet transverse momentum (p_T) vs energy (E) before correction.

Number of EM-jets

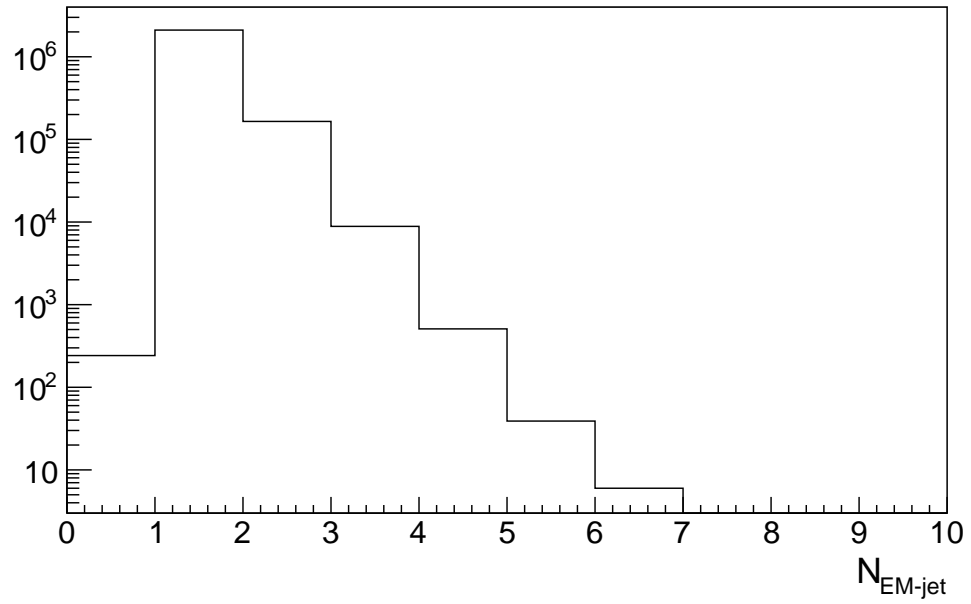


Figure 3.3: Number of EM-jets in the event.

Table 3.2: 4 acceptable 4-bit spin patterns

4-bit spin	Translate	Blue beam polarization	Yellow beam polarization
0101	5	up	up
0110	6	up	down
1001	9	down	up
1010	10	down	down

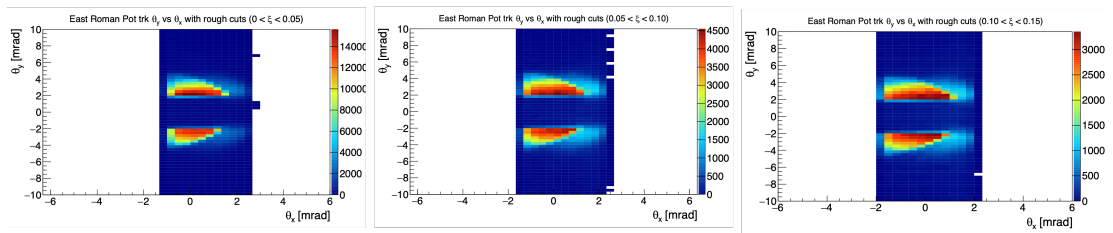


Figure 3.4: East RP θ_X and θ_Y distributions for 7 different East RP track ξ ranges with only applying East BBC ADC sum < 150 .

167 3.3 BBC East veto cut

168 The major goal for the BBC East veto cut is to minimize accidental coincidence
 169 events (AC), also called multiple collision events. Furthermore, it helps to ensure
 170 the rapidity gap requirement for the single diffractive process since the BBC East
 171 detector covers $-5 < \eta < -2.1$.

172 The study of BBC East veto cuts is carried out simultaneously with the East
 173 RP track cut study. To begin with, the rough cut on a small BBC East ADC
 174 sum < 150 is applied to get rid of some of the backgrounds because the events
 175 with high BBC East ADC sum are more likely to be AC events. Then, with
 176 the rough BBC East ADC sum cut, the East RP θ_X and θ_Y distributions for
 177 East RP track with different ξ ranges are checked, where ξ is the fraction of
 178 proton momentum loss in the collision. The goal of checking the rough East
 179 RP θ_X and θ_Y distributions is to figure out the rough East RP θ_X and θ_Y
 180 cuts and use them to further checking the proper small/large BBC East ADC
 181 sum distribution to determine the BBC East veto cuts. Figure (3.4) shows the
 182 rough East RP θ_X and θ_Y distributions for 7 different East RP ξ regions. From
 183 the hot areas for every single figure, which are shown in red and yellow color,
 184 we determine the rough cut for East RP θ_X and θ_Y . The rough East RP θ_Y
 185 cuts are: $2.0 < |\theta_Y| < 4.0$ mrad, and The rough East RP θ_X cuts are shown
 186 in Tab. (3.3). Then, with the rough East RP θ_X and θ_Y cuts applied, we
 187 explore the small/large east BBC ADC sum distributions to determine the cuts
 188 on small/large east BBC cuts. The left panel of Fig. (3.5) shows the small east
 189 BBC ADC sum distribution, while the right panel of Fig. (3.5) shows the large
 190 east BBC ADC sum distribution. According to Fig. (3.5), we decide the small
 191 BBC east ADC sum < 90 and the large BBC east ADC sum < 80 .

192 3.4 Roman Pot track cut

193 The proton track is detected from the RP detector, where the description of the
 194 RP detector can be found in [15]. For this analysis, we only accept the case with

ξ range	θ_X rough cuts [mrad]
$0.00 < \xi < 0.05$	$-1.0 < \theta_X < 1.5$
$0.05 < \xi < 0.10$	$-1.25 < \theta_X < 1.25$
$0.10 < \xi < 0.15$	$-1.5 < \theta_X < 1.25$
$0.15 < \xi < 0.20$	$-2.0 < \theta_X < 0.75$
$0.20 < \xi < 0.25$	$-2.5 < \theta_X < 0.75$
$0.25 < \xi < 0.30$	$-3.0 < \theta_X < 0.5$
$0.30 < \xi < 0.50$	$-5.0 < \theta_X < -0.25$

Table 3.3: Rough cuts for East RP track θ_X by different East RP track ξ

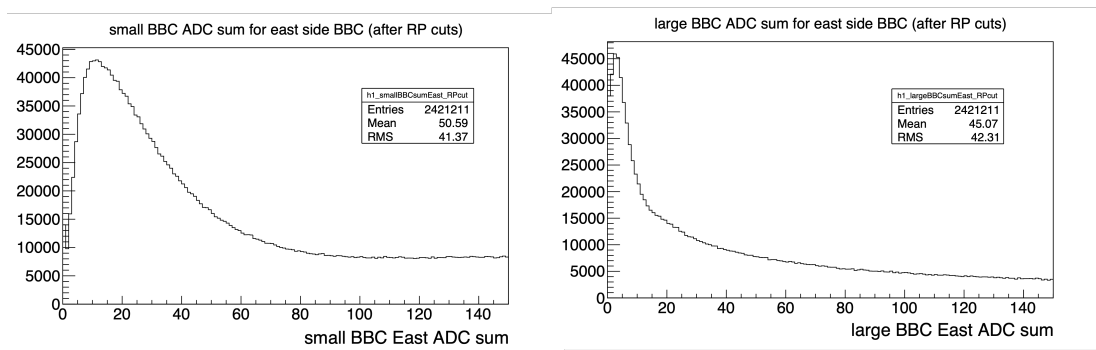


Figure 3.5: The small (left) and large (right) East BBC ADC sum distribution after the rough East RP θ_X and θ_Y cuts

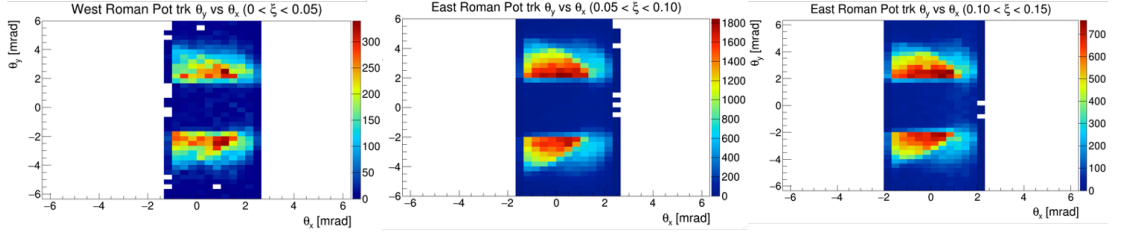


Figure 3.6: East RP θ_X and θ_Y distributions for three East RP track ξ ranges.

ξ range	θ_X final cuts [mrad]
$0.00 < \xi < 0.05$	$-1.0 < \theta_X < 1.5$
$0.05 < \xi < 0.10$	$-1.25 < \theta_X < 1.25$
$0.10 < \xi < 0.15$	$-1.5 < \theta_X < 1.25$

Table 3.4: Final cuts for East RP track θ_X by three ξ regions

195 only one East RP track detected. To ensure the RP track is well reconstructed,
 196 the RP track must hit at least 7 RP silicon planes. Also, the BBC East veto
 197 cuts (details in Sec. (3.3)) are also applied to explore the East RP track cuts.
 198 Furthermore, according to the Particle Data Book [16], the proton ξ for the
 199 diffractive process should be less than 0.15. Therefore, the cut on East RP
 200 track $0 < \xi < 0.15$ is also applied. With all of these cuts applied, first of all,
 201 the East RP track θ_X and θ_Y distributions are further explored. Figure (3.6)
 202 shows the East RP track θ_X and θ_Y distributions for three ξ ranges. The hot
 203 area will be considered as acceptable final East RP θ_X and θ_Y cuts. The final
 204 East RP track θ_Y cuts are uniform for all three ξ ranges: $2 < |\theta_Y| < 4$ mrad.
 205 However, the final East RP track θ_X cuts are ξ dependent, shown in Tab. (3.4).
 206 Finally, with then the final East RP θ_X and θ_Y cuts applied, the East RP track
 207 p_X and p_Y distributions are also explored to study their cuts. The idea is the
 208 same as investigating the East RP track θ_X and θ_Y cuts. Figure (3.7) shows
 209 the East RP track p_X and p_Y distributions for three ξ ranges. The shape of a
 210 rectangle with a quarter circle is used to describe the final East RP track p_X
 211 and p_Y cuts. The expressions are detailed in Tab. (3.5).

212 In summary, the cuts on East RP track include all the following: Number
 213 of RP Silicon planes hits greater than 6; $0 < \xi < 0.15$; East RP track θ_X and
 214 θ_Y cuts; East RP track p_X and p_Y cuts.

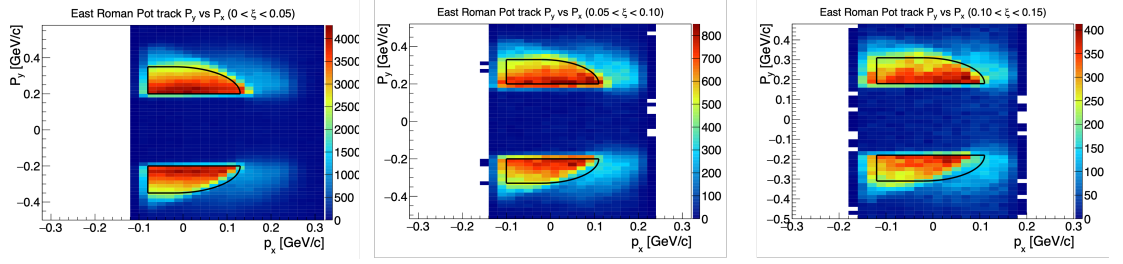


Figure 3.7: East RP track p_X and p_Y distributions for three East RP track ξ ranges. The black curves indicate the ranges of accepted East RP track p_X and p_Y cuts.

ξ range	p_X and p_Y final cuts [GeV/c]
$0.00 < \xi < 0.05$	$(p_X + 0.02)^2 + (p_Y - 0.2)^2 < 0.15^2$ or $-0.08 < p_X < -0.02$ and $0.2 < p_Y < 0.35$
$0.05 < \xi < 0.10$	$(p_X + 0.02)^2 + (p_Y - 0.2)^2 < 0.13^2$ or $-0.10 < p_X < -0.02$ and $0.2 < p_Y < 0.33$
$0.10 < \xi < 0.15$	$(p_X + 0.02)^2 + (p_Y - 0.18)^2 < 0.13^2$ or $-0.12 < p_X < -0.02$ and $0.18 < p_Y < 0.31$

Table 3.5: East RP track p_X and p_Y final cuts

215 Chapter 4

216 Corrections

217 4.1 Underlying Event (UE) correction

218 The underlying event contribution is part of a jet, not from the parton fragmen-
219 tation but from secondary scattering or other processes. This will deposit some
220 energy into the jet, so the correction on UE is required to subtract its energy
221 from the jet. The "off-axis" method [17] is used. In this method, first of all,
222 two off-axis jets with the same pseudorapidity but at $\pm\pi/2$ azimuthal angle at
223 the edge of the original jet are reconstructed as UE background. Then, the UE
224 energy density (ρ) can be calculated using $\rho = E/(\pi R^2)$, where E is the average
225 UE energy and R is the UE jet radius. The fastjet program uses the "ghost
226 particle" technique to calculate the jet area (A). The maximum "ghost particle"
227 η is 5.0, and the "ghost area" is 0.04. Finally, the jet energy will be subtracted
228 by the UE energy: $E_{corrected} = E_{original} - \rho \times A$, where the corrected EM-jet
229 energy is $E_{corrected}$, and the original EM-jet energy is $E_{original}$.

230 Figure (4.1) shows the UE correction distribution for EM-jet energy. The
231 left plot shows the subtraction term for the UE correction for EM-jet energy.
232 The right plot shows the EM-jet energy distribution after the UE correction. If
233 the EM-jet energy after subtraction is less than 0 GeV, the energy will be set
234 to 0 GeV.

235 4.2 Detector level to particle level EM-jet en- 236 ergy correction

237 The EM-jet energy obtained from FMS is considered detector-level EM-jet en-
238 ergy. Therefore, a correction for detector level to particle level EM-jet energy is
239 necessary. The correction is based on the Monte Carlo simulation for FMS. For

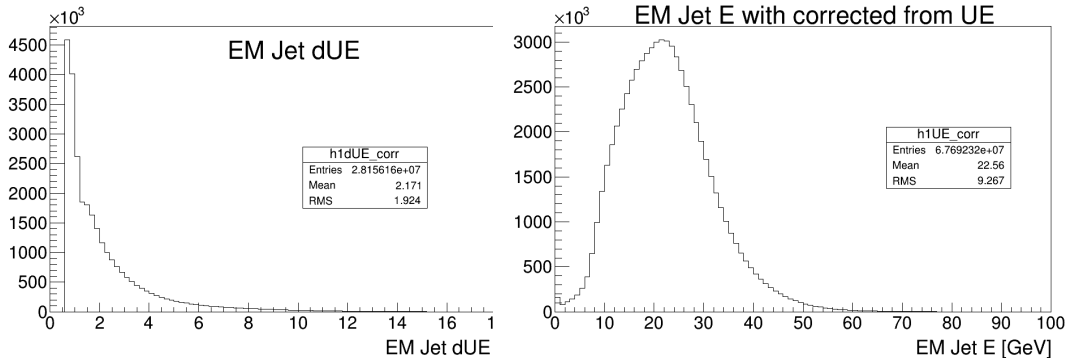


Figure 4.1: UE distribution for diffractive EM-jet analysis. The left plot shows the subtraction term $\rho \times A$. The right plot shows the EM-jet energy distribution after the UE correction.

240 the PYTHIA simulation, the proton-proton collisions with $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV are
 241 generated, with the tune setting of Perugia2012 (Tune parameter 370) [18, 19].
 242 Then, the GEANT3 with FMS detector response implemented under STAR
 243 simulation framework ("starsim") is used for the FMS simulation. The Big
 244 Full Chain (BFC) proceeds with the event reconstruction. The chain options
 245 are "ry2015a agml usexgeom MakeEvent McEvent vfmce Idst BAAna l0 l3 Tree
 246 logger fmsSim fmspoint evout -dstout IdTruth bigbig fzin geantout clearmem
 247 sdt20150417.193427". The EM-jet reconstruction is proceeded along with the
 248 BFC process. The Anti- k_T algorithm with $R=0.7$ is used for the EM-jet recon-
 249 struction, the same as the EM-jet reconstruction for data.

250 For the simulation results, the EM-jets with both particle level and detector
 251 level are recorded. Figure (4.2) shows the EM-jet energy distribution in particle
 252 level (y-axis) and detector level (x-axis). Figure (4.3) shows the profile of the
 253 EM-jet energy distribution with particle level and detector level. The black
 254 points are the correlation between the EM-jet energy at the particle level and
 255 detector level. The red curves are fit for the points in two different detector level
 256 regions: $5 < E < 10$ GeV and $10 < E < 60$ GeV. The 6th-order polynomial
 257 function is used for fitting the former region and the linear function is used for
 258 fitting the latter region. The parameters of the 6th-order polynomial are shown
 259 in Tab. (4.1), while the linear function is: $E_{par} = 1.07 * E_{det} + 1.13$, where
 260 E_{par} is the particle level EM-jet energy and E_{det} is the detector level EM-jet
 261 energy. These functions are used to calculate the corrected energy from the
 262 original detector level energy. The corrected EM-jet energy will finally applied
 263 for the x_F calculation and A_N extraction.

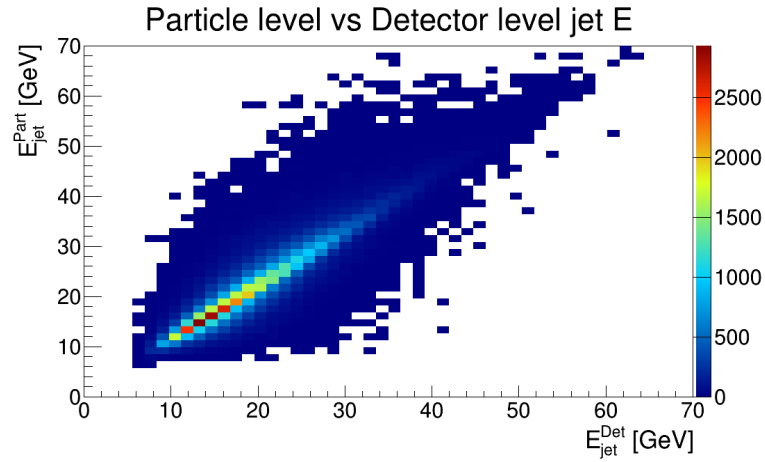


Figure 4.2: EM-jet energy distribution in particle level (y-axis) and detector level (x-axis) from the FMS simulation.

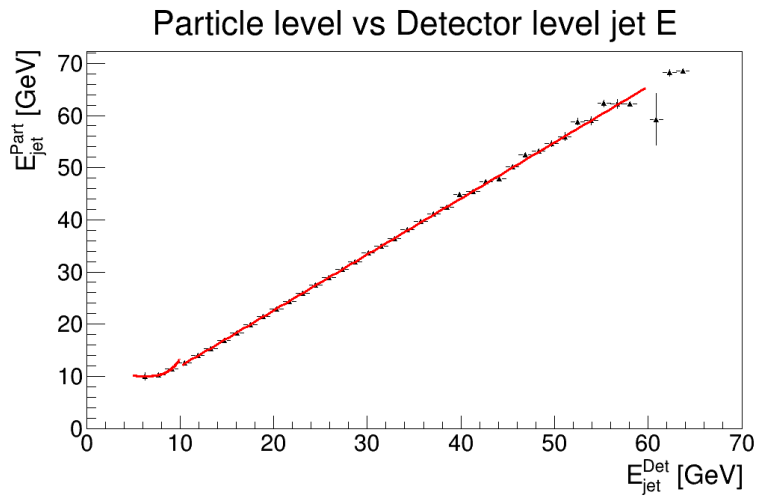


Figure 4.3: The profile of the EM-jet energy distribution with particle level and detector level. The black points are the correlation between the EM-jet energy at the particle level and detector level. The red curves are the fit for the black points.

[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
8.93e0	-6.64e-1	1.51e-1	-6.66e-3	1.56e-4	-1.85e-6	8.65e-9

Table 4.1: Parameters for the 6th-order polynomial

264 Chapter 5

265 Rapidity Gap (RG) events 266 study

267 5.1 Motivation

268 The rapidity gap (RG) events are also within our interest in studying the po-
269 tential background for the single diffractive events. The RG events are the type
270 of events coinciding with FMS EM-jets and East BBC veto, with the schematic
271 diagram shown in Fig. (5.1). The details description for the FMS EM-jets and
272 east BBC veto are in Sec. (5.2). Since there is no requirement on the RP track
273 (proton) on any side, the RG events are considered as the subset of the inclu-
274 sive events, and they can also serve as additional enrichment for the inclusive
275 process. According to the Pythia 8 simulation for hard QCD process (can be
276 considered as non-single diffractive events) and the single diffractive events, the
277 east BBC veto cuts are able to cut out about 84% of the non-single diffractive
278 events, but just cut out about 14% of the single diffractive events with a proton
279 on the east side. If considering the present of the jet in the FMS region, the
280 BBC veto rate for the NSD events can be higher up to 99%. Therefore, such
281 a process can help separate the diffractive and non-diffractive processes with
282 the rapidity gap requirement. Studying the RG events can allow us to investi-
283 gate the single diffractive process without the effects on the limited Roman Pot
284 acceptance for tagging the scattered proton.

285 5.2 Event selection for RG events

286 The dataset used for the RG events is the same as single diffractive events,
287 shown in Sec. (2.1). The event selection criteria of the FMS EM-jets, event

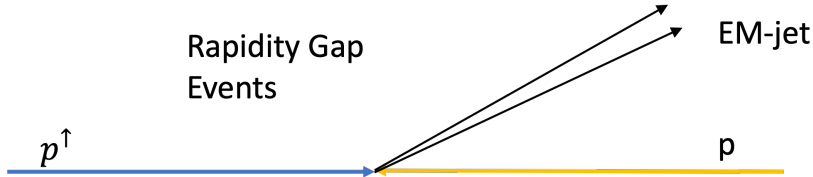


Figure 5.1: Diagram for rapidity gap events.

288 property cuts, and the East BBC veto for the RG events are the same as those
 289 for the single diffractive events, which are shown in Sec. (3.1), Sec. (3.2) and
 290 Sec. (3.3), respectively. The idea behind choosing the same FMS EM-jet cuts
 291 and East BBC veto cuts is to make them consistent and comparable to the
 292 single diffractive process.

293 5.3 Fraction of single diffractive events in rapid- 294 ity gap events

295 The study on the fraction of single diffractive events in rapidity gap events in
 296 data can be measured using the simulation. The simulation is using the Pythia
 297 8 single diffractive process (SoftQCD:singleDiffractive). Both the east BBC
 298 detector simulation (via GEANT3 based STAR detector level simulation) and
 299 the east RP detector simulation (via pp2pp simulation [25]) are used for the
 300 simulation study. The same east BBC veto (detailed in Sec. (3.3)) is applied
 301 in the simulation to determine the veto on the east BBC region (rapidity gap)
 302 as well. The cut on the east RP track hitting more than 6 east RP planes is
 303 used for determining the good east RP track. In addition, only one RP track is
 304 allowed as the east RP cut for the single diffractive events.

305 Based on the criteria above, we define the single diffractive events (SD) in
 306 the simulation as the events passing the east BBC veto and the east RP cut.
 307 Also, we define the rapidity gap events (RG) in the simulation as the events
 308 passing the east RP cut without requirement on the east RP cut. The RG
 309 events in simulation are all real single diffractive events (RSD). The definition
 310 of single diffractive events and rapidity gap events in data are the same as
 311 mentioned in previous sections. However, the RG events in data contain real
 312 single diffractive events (RSD) and non-single diffractive events (NSD). When
 313 we calculate the fraction of single diffractive events to the rapidity gap events in
 314 simulation and data, the equation for simulation and data can be expressed as
 315 Equ. (5.1) and Equ. (5.2), respectively. In the calculation, $frac(sim) = 16.03\%$
 316 and $frac(data) = 11.08\%$. Since the purity of the single diffractive events in

317 data is high, we can consider the fraction of single diffractive events (SD) to
 318 the real single diffractive events in rapidity gap event (RSD), $\frac{SD}{RSD}$, is same
 319 between data and simulation. Considering the major systematic uncertainty
 320 of the fraction comes from the uncertainty of BBC detector (6.5%) [26] and
 321 RP detector (10%) [25]. The SD fraction in RG events in data ($\frac{RSD}{RSD+NSD}$) is
 322 $68.7\% \pm 0.6\% \pm 8.2\%$.

$$frac(sim) = \frac{SD}{RSD} \quad (5.1)$$

$$frac(data) = \frac{SD}{RSD + NSD} \quad (5.2)$$

323 Chapter 6

324 Semi-exclusive process 325 study

326 The semi-exclusive process requires only one EM-jet at FMS and one proton
327 detected in west side RP. The event selections of the EM-jet are same as that
328 used in single diffractive process and rapidity gap events, showing in Sec. 3.1.
329 Additionally, an exclusive constraint on the sum of the energy of the EM-jet
330 and the west RP track (energy sum) is applied. It requires the energy sum are
331 same as proton beam energy within resolution. Therefore, this process is termed
332 as semi-exclusive process. The schematic diagram for semi-exclusive process is
333 shown in Fig. (6.1).

334 In order to determine the semi-exclusive process and minimize the effect of
335 accidental coincidence events (AC) and pile-up events, the event selections and
336 corrections include the following items:

- 337 1. Triggers: The triggers used for this analysis are the FMS BS triggers and
338 FMS JP triggers. They are listed in Table(2.1). Only the events with any
339 triggers fired are kept.



Figure 6.1: Diagram for semi-exclusive process.

- 340 2. EM-jet cut: Details of the EM-jet cuts are in Section (3.1) These cuts are
341 same as that in single diffractive process and rapidity gap events.
- 342 • EM-jet reconstruction: EM-jets are reconstructed by FMS points
343 using the Anti- k_T algorithm with $R = 0.7$. The FMS points are
344 required to have $E > 1$ GeV and $E_T > 0.2$ GeV.
 - 345 • The EM-jets are required to have $p_T > 2$ GeV and pass trigger p_T
346 threshold.
 - 347 • The pseudorapidity (η) of the EM-jets is within $[2.8, 3.8]$.
 - 348 • The event with EM-jet $E > 100$ GeV are excluded.
 - 349 • The number of EM-jets for each event is 1.
 - 350 • Energy corrections for EM-jets: Underlying-Event (UE) correction
351 (details in Sector(4.1)), and EM-jet energy correction (details in Sec-
352 tor(4.2)))
- 353 3. Event property cut: Details of the event property cuts are in Section (3.2)
- 354 • Veto on abort gap.
 - 355 • The spin status for the blue beam and yellow beam is correct and
356 accepts the 4 cases of 4-bit spin patterns (Tab. (3.2)).
 - 357 • The vertex z is within $[-80, 80]$ cm.
- 358 4. BBC West veto cut: Details of the BBC West veto cut are in Section (6.1).
- 359 • West BBC ADC sum cut: west side large BBC ADC sum < 60 and
360 west side small BBC ADC sum < 80 .
- 361 5. Roman Pot (RP) track cut: Details are in Section (6.2)
- 362 • Only accept the event with exactly only one west side RP track.
 - 363 • The west RP track must hit at least 7 RP silicon planes.
 - 364 • West RP track ξ dependent θ_X, θ_Y, p_X and p_Y cuts.
 - 365 • West RP track ξ range: $0 < \xi < 0.45$
- 366 6. Energy sum cuts: Sum of the energy of west RP track and EM-jet is
367 required to be equal to the beam energy, within the resolution.

368 6.1 West BBC veto cuts

369 The major goal for the BBC West veto cut is to minimize accidental coincidence
370 events (AC), which are called multiple collision events. However, the west BBC

West RP ξ range	West RP θ_X rough cut [mrad]
$0 < \xi < 0.05$	$-1 < \theta_X < 1.75$
$0.05 < \xi < 0.1$	$-1.5 < \theta_X < 1.5$
$0.1 < \xi < 0.15$	$-1.75 < \theta_X < 1.25$
$0.15 < \xi < 0.2$	$-2.5 < \theta_X < 1.25$
$0.2 < \xi < 0.25$	$-3 < \theta_X < 1$
$0.25 < \xi < 0.3$	$-3.25 < \theta_X < 0.5$
$0.3 < \xi < 0.35$	$-3.75 < \theta_X < 0$
$0.35 < \xi < 0.4$	$-4.25 < \theta_X < -0.5$
$0.4 < \xi < 0.45$	$-5 < \theta_X < -1$

Table 6.1: Rough west RP θ_X cuts

371 coverage is partially overlapped with the FMS coverage. Therefore, this west
372 BBC veto can not provide enough size of rapidity gap to satisfy the requirement
373 of the diffractive process.

374 The idea for determining the west BBC veto cuts are similar as for deter-
375 mining the east BBC veto cuts. To begin with, the rough cuts on west RP θ_X
376 and θ_Y are applied to check the small BBC west ADC sum distribution. The
377 distribution of west RP θ_Y vs θ_X are showing in Fig.(6.2), with the rough cut
378 on west small BBC ADC sum < 150 . From the plots, we determine the rough
379 west RP θ_Y cut on: $1.5 < |\theta_Y| < 4$ mrad, with the rough west RP θ_X cuts are
380 listed in Tab. (6.1).

381 With these rough west RP θ_X and θ_Y cuts, the small BBC west ADC sum
382 and the large BBC west ADC sum distributions are then checked. Figure (6.3)
383 shows the small BBC west ADC sum, and Fig. (6.4) shows the large BBC west
384 ADC sum. From the plots, we apply the cuts on small BBC west ADC sum $<$
385 80 and large BBC west ADC sum < 60 .

386 6.2 Roman Pot (RP) track cut

387 The proton track for semi-exclusive process is detected from the west side RP
388 detector. Only one west side RP track is accepted for this process, with no
389 constrain on east side tracks. In addition, this west side RP track requires to
390 hit more than 6 planes. The first set of cuts are the west RP θ_X and θ_Y cuts.
391 Before exploring these cuts, the west BBC veto cuts are applied. Figure (6.5)
392 shows the final distribution of west RP θ_Y vs θ_X . From the distributions, we

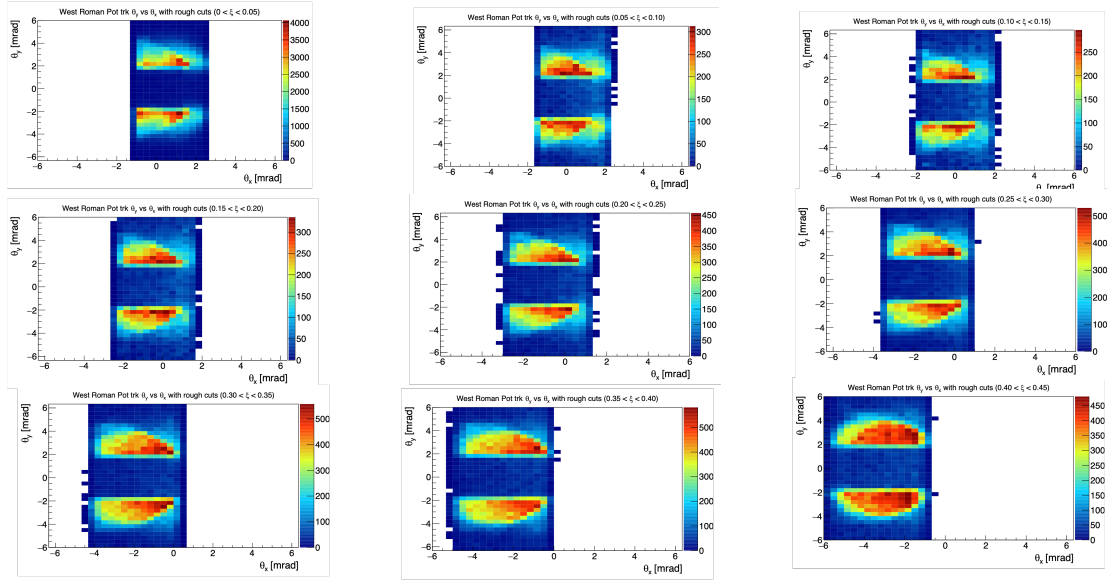


Figure 6.2: West RP θ_X and θ_Y distributions for 9 different East RP track ξ ranges with only applying West BBC ADC sum < 150 .

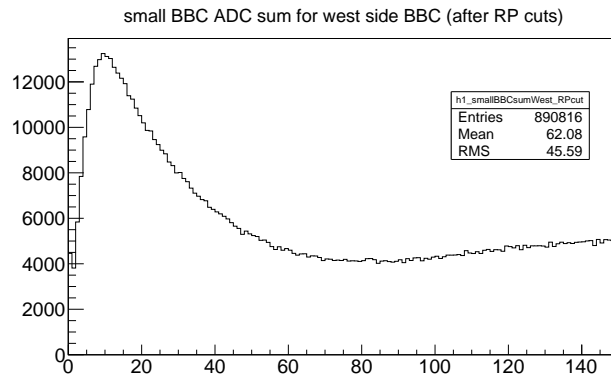


Figure 6.3: Small BBC west ADC sum distribution after the rough west RP cuts.

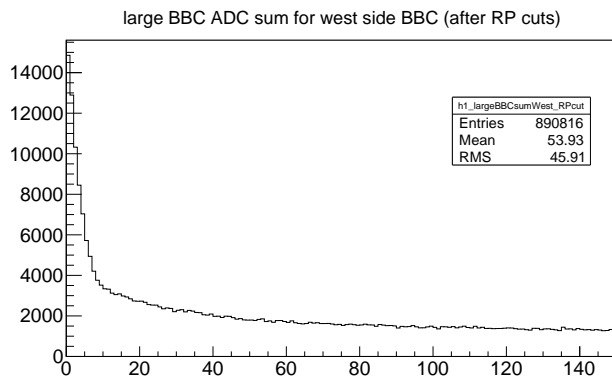


Figure 6.4: Large BBC west ADC sum distribution after the rough west RP cuts.

393 determine the θ_Y cuts on: $1.5 < |\theta_Y| < 4$ [mrad] ; and the θ_X cuts shown in
 394 Tab. (6.2). Then, with applying the west RP θ_X and θ_Y cuts, the west RP p_X
 395 and p_Y cuts are explored. Figure (6.6) shows the final distribution of west RP
 396 θ_X and θ_Y with the black curve region indicating the ranges of the cuts. The
 397 cut values are shown in Tab. (6.3).

398 6.3 Energy sum cuts

399 For the semi-exclusive process, the final state includes the EM-jet and the pro-
 400 ton. Both are on the same side (west side). Therefore, an exclusive constrain
 401 on the sum of the energy for EM-jet and the proton should be consistent with
 402 the beam energy within resolution. This is the reason for naming this process
 403 as semi-exclusive process.

404 The energy sum cuts are explored with applying the west BBC veto cuts
 405 and the west RP cuts. They are shown with EM-jet x_F dependent in Fig. (6.7).
 406 and in Tab. (6.4).

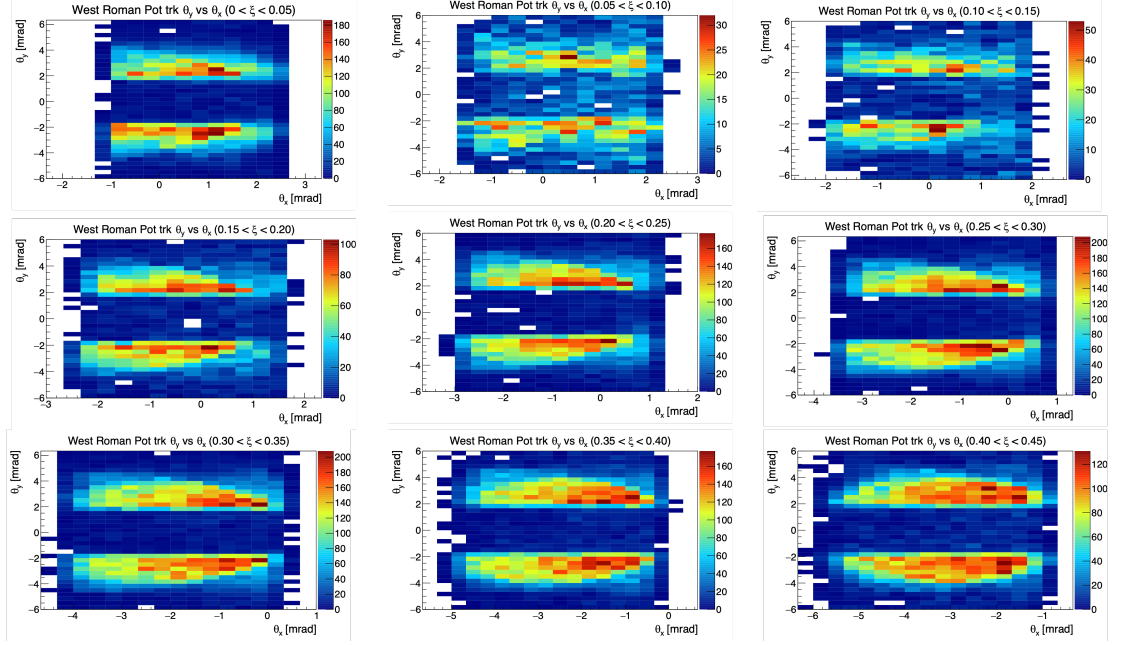


Figure 6.5: West RP θ_X and θ_Y distributions for 9 different East RP track ξ ranges after applying West BBC veto cuts.

West RP ξ range	West RP θ_X final cut [mrad]
$0 < \xi < 0.05$	$-1 < \theta_X < 1.75$
$0.05 < \xi < 0.1$	$-1.5 < \theta_X < 1.5$
$0.1 < \xi < 0.15$	$-1.75 < \theta_X < 1.25$
$0.15 < \xi < 0.2$	$-2 < \theta_X < 1$
$0.2 < \xi < 0.25$	$-2.75 < \theta_X < 0.5$
$0.25 < \xi < 0.3$	$-3.25 < \theta_X < 0.5$
$0.3 < \xi < 0.35$	$-3.75 < \theta_X < 0$
$0.35 < \xi < 0.4$	$-4.5 < \theta_X < -0.5$
$0.4 < \xi < 0.45$	$-5.5 < \theta_X < -1.25$

Table 6.2: Final west RP θ_X cuts

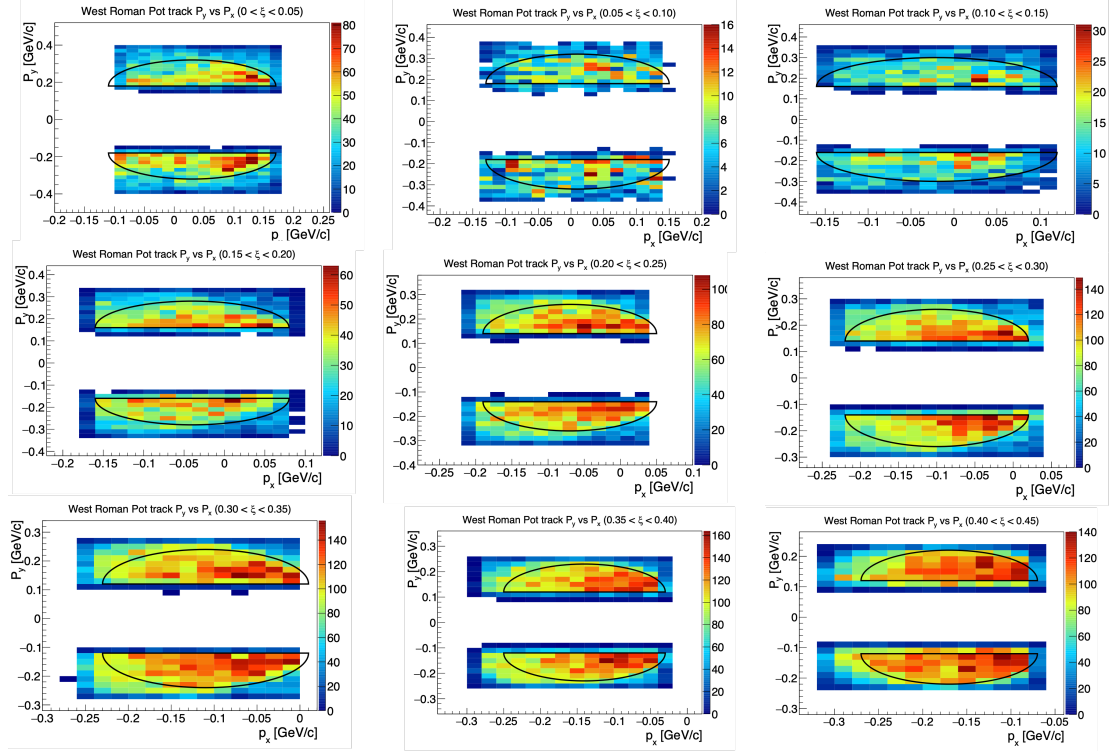


Figure 6.6: West RP track p_X and p_Y distributions for nine West RP track ξ ranges. The black curves indicate the ranges of accepted West RP track p_X and p_Y cuts.

West RP ξ range	West RP p_X and p_Y final cut [GeV/c]
$0 < \xi < 0.05$	$(p_X - 0.03)^2 + (p_Y - 0.18)^2 < 0.14^2$ and $0.18 < p_Y < 0.32$
$0.05 < \xi < 0.1$	$(p_X - 0.01)^2 + (p_Y - 0.18)^2 < 0.14^2$ and $0.18 < p_Y < 0.32$
$0.1 < \xi < 0.15$	$(p_X + 0.02)^2 + (p_Y - 0.16)^2 < 0.14^2$ and $0.16 < p_Y < 0.3$
$0.15 < \xi < 0.2$	$(p_X + 0.04)^2 + (p_Y - 0.16)^2 < 0.12^2$ and $0.16 < p_Y < 0.28$
$0.2 < \xi < 0.25$	$(p_X + 0.07)^2 + (p_Y - 0.14)^2 < 0.12^2$ and $0.14 < p_Y < 0.26$
$0.25 < \xi < 0.3$	$(p_X + 0.1)^2 + (p_Y - 0.14)^2 < 0.12^2$ and $0.14 < p_Y < 0.26$
$0.3 < \xi < 0.35$	$(p_X + 0.11)^2 + (p_Y - 0.12)^2 < 0.12^2$ and $0.12 < p_Y < 0.24$
$0.35 < \xi < 0.4$	$(p_X + 0.14)^2 + (p_Y - 0.12)^2 < 0.11^2$ and $0.12 < p_Y < 0.23$
$0.4 < \xi < 0.45$	$(p_X + 0.17)^2 + (p_Y - 0.12)^2 < 0.1^2$ and $0.12 < p_Y < 0.22$

Table 6.3: Final west RP p_X and p_Y cuts

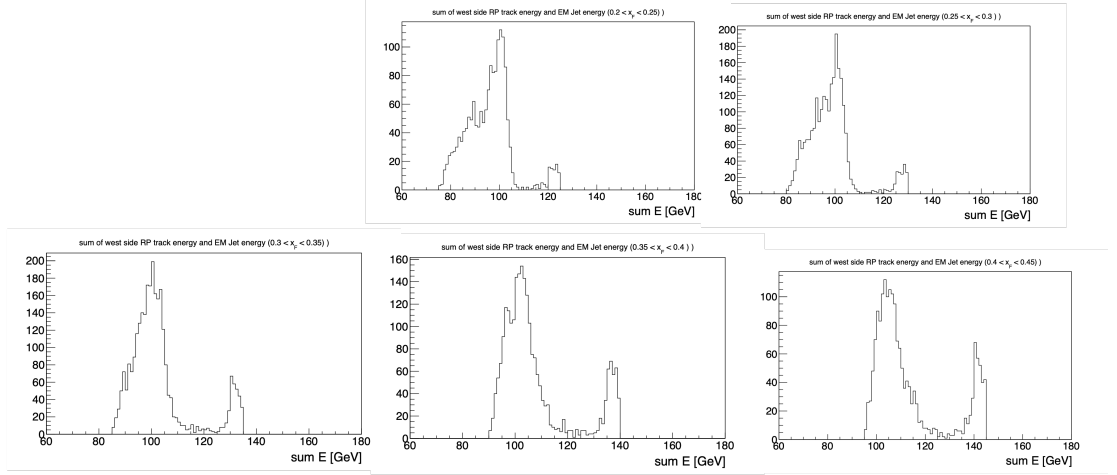


Figure 6.7: Energy sum cuts for 5 different EM-jet x_F regions

EM-jet x_F	Energy sum (E_{sum}) cut
0.2 - 0.25	$E_{sum} < 110$ GeV
0.25 - 0.3	$E_{sum} < 110$ GeV
0.3 - 0.35	$E_{sum} < 115$ GeV
0.35 - 0.4	$E_{sum} < 115$ GeV
0.4 - 0.45	$E_{sum} < 120$ GeV

Table 6.4: Energy sum cuts for semi-exclusive process

407 Chapter 7

408 Background study

409 7.1 Zerobias event study

410 The Zerobias events are the highly scaled events with the zerobias trigger. The
411 details for the events are shown below:

- 412 • Trigger setup name: production_pp200trans_2015
- 413 • Data stream: zerobias
- 414 • Production tag: P16id

415 Since there are only a small fraction of events containing good EM-jets at the
416 FMS, the Zerobias events are only used to estimate the accidental background
417 for the analysis. To begin with, the NanoDst files are generated from the MuDst
418 files. For the Zerobias events, there are no requirement on the EM-jets on FMS
419 and no requirement on RP track. Then, the BBC East veto cuts (detailed in Sec.
420 (3.3) and East RP track cuts (detailed in Sec. (3.4)) are applied to the Zerobias
421 events, where both cuts are the same as single diffractive process. About 0.2% of
422 the events pass the cuts mentioned above. Therefore, about 0.2% of the events
423 are accidental coincidences and should be the same rate for every process.

424 With the Zerobias events, we also estimate the accidental coincidences (AC)
425 for the measured single diffractive process. The AC events are coming from the
426 situation that the FMS EM-jets and the east RP tracks are not correlated. For
427 example, the FMS EM-jets and the east RP tracks are coming from multiple
428 collisions, but they are recorded in one event in the data. Equation (7.1) shows
429 the formula for calculating the fraction for the AC events. n_{AC} is the number of
430 the AC events, but it is difficult to count directly. n_{mea} is the number of event
431 counts per x_F bin in the asymmetry calculation for the single diffractive process.
432 n_{RG} is the number of event counts per x_F bin in the asymmetry calculation for

433 the RG events, where the description for RG events is in Sec. (5.1). $\frac{n_{AC}}{n_{RG}}$ can be
434 considered as the AC events fraction for RG events, which is 0.2%. By counting
435 the events per x_F bin for measured single diffractive process and RG events, the
436 fraction for the AC events is about 1.8% for each x_F bin. This fraction is small,
437 so its effect will be assigned to the systematic uncertainty, detailed in Appendix
438 (B).

$$frac_{bkg} = \frac{n_{AC}}{n_{mea}} = \frac{n_{AC}}{n_{RG}} \times \frac{n_{RG}}{n_{mea}} \quad (7.1)$$

439 7.2 Mix event background for energy sum cut 440 study

441 The energy sum cuts constrain the sum of the EM-jet energy and the west
442 RP track energy. For the accidental coincidence (AC) in the semi-exclusive
443 process, the energy sum is usually much higher than the beam energy because
444 the west RP track is coming from the proton from the non-diffractive process,
445 especially from the elastic scattering process. Therefore, in order to estimate
446 the contribution to the semi-exclusive events from the AC events, the mix event
447 background is studied to estimate such contribution.

448 For the mix event background study for energy sum, we use the distribution
449 for the west RP track energy (momentum) in the zerobias event (7.1), and
450 the distribution for the EM-jet energy from the inclusive process. The mix
451 event energy sum background distribution is studied in different EM-jet x_F
452 regions. The idea for the mix event energy sum background is to calculate all
453 the possible combinations of the energy sum with west RP track momentum
454 and EM-jet energy. Equation (7.2) shows the simple idea for the mix event
455 energy sum calculation (Esum(i+j)). P(i) is the fraction of EM-jet yields in
456 the inclusive EM-jet energy distribution for [i,i+1] (GeV) within the specific x_F
457 range. n(j) is the yield in zerobias events west RP momentum distribution for
458 [j,j+1] (GeV/c). Figure (7.1) shows one example of the mix event energy sum
459 spectrum. In this example, The left panel of Fig. (7.1) shows the inclusive EM-
460 jet energy spectrum for $0.2 < x_F < 0.25$, which corresponds to $20 \leq i < 25$.
461 The middle panel of Fig. (7.1) shows the zerobias events west RP momentum
462 distribution, and only west RP momentum between 40 GeV and 100 GeV will
463 be used for mix event background study, which corresponds to $40 \leq j < 100$.
464 The right panel of Fig. (7.1) show the energy sum distribution using the mix
465 event background study for EM-jet with $0.2 < x_F < 0.25$.

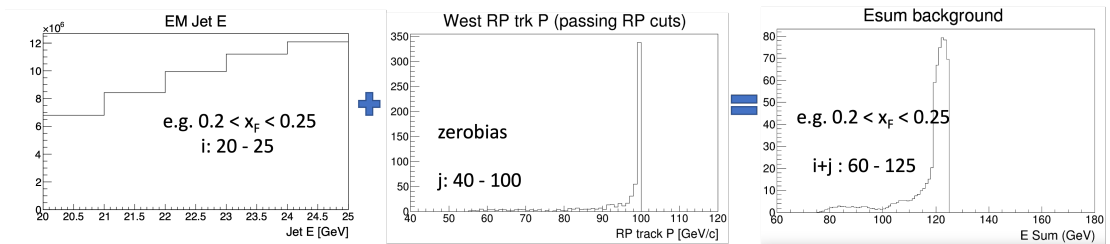


Figure 7.1: Example for mix event energy sum background study for EM-jet with $0.2 < x_F < 0.25$.

EM-jet x_F	Signal region [GeV]	Background region [GeV]
0.2 - 0.25	Esum < 110 GeV	Esum > 110 GeV
0.25 - 0.3	Esum < 110 GeV	Esum > 110 GeV
0.3 - 0.35	Esum < 115 GeV	Esum > 115 GeV
0.35 - 0.4	Esum < 115 GeV	Esum > 115 GeV
0.4 - 0.45	Esum < 120 GeV	Esum > 120 GeV

Table 7.1: Signal region and background region for energy sum spectrum in data

$$Esum(i + j) = \sum_{i,j} P(i) \times n(j) \quad (7.2)$$

466 Then, we use the shape of the mix event energy sum background to estimate
467 its contribution to the semi-exclusive events. For the energy sum plots in data,
468 we define the signal region and the background region based on the energy sum
469 cut in Sec. (6.3). The signal region and the background region for each EM-jet
470 x_F region are shown in Tab. (7.1). Then, the shape of the mix event energy
471 sum background is scaled to the maximum bin value of the background region
472 in each EM-jet x_F region. Figure (7.2) shows the mix event background results
473 for each EM-jet x_F region. In each plot, the red curve indicates the energy sum
474 distribution in data, while the black curve indicates the scaled mix event energy
475 sum background. The fraction of the mix event energy sum background to the
476 data can be calculated as the ratio of the integrated yields for the scaled mix
477 event energy sum background within the signal region to the integrated yields
478 for the data within the signal region. Table (7.2) shows this mix event energy
479 sum background fraction. Since this fraction is small (less than 3%), we assign
480 such fraction to the systematic uncertainty as the background term.

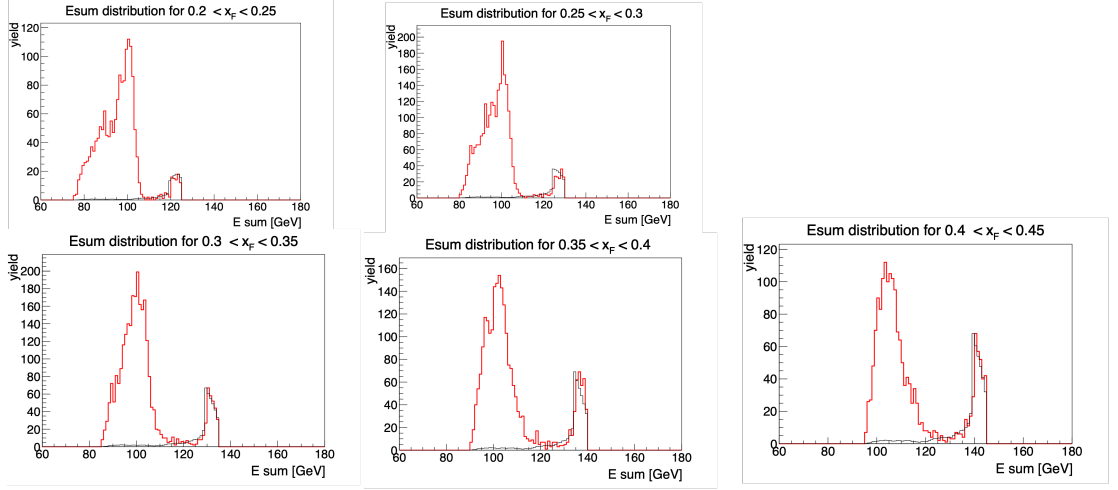


Figure 7.2: Mix event energy sum background study results for each EM-jet x_F regions. In each plot, the red curve indicates the energy sum distribution in data, while the black curve indicates the scaled mix event energy sum background.

x_F	Fraction of background (%)
0.2 - 0.25	1.3
0.25 - 0.3	1.3
0.3 - 0.35	2.1
0.35 - 0.4	2.0
0.4 - 0.45	2.7

Table 7.2: Fraction of the mix event energy sum background for each EM-jet x_F region

481 Chapter 8

482 Systematic Uncertainty for 483 A_N

484 The systematic uncertainty for single diffractive process includes the cuts on
485 East BBC veto cuts (details in 8.2), Ring of Fire (details in 8.3) and AC back-
486 ground (details in 7.1). The systematic uncertainty for rapidity gap events
487 includes the cuts on East BBC veto cuts (details in 8.2) and Ring of Fire (de-
488 tails in 8.3). The systematic uncertainty for semi-exclusive process includes the
489 cuts on West BBC veto cuts (details in 8.2), Ring of Fire (details in 8.3), energy
490 sum cuts (details in 8.4) and AC background (details in 8.4).

491 8.1 Method for systematic uncertainty

492 To study the systematic uncertainty for the BBC veto cuts, Ring of Fire and
493 the energy sum cuts the Bayesian method is applied [21]. For each term of
494 systematic uncertainty study, we calculate the A_N standard deviation among
495 the variation cuts. However, only the cuts with variations deemed significant
496 would be included. If a cut with variations produces a maximum value with
497 statistical uncertainty $A_N(1) \pm \delta_1$ and a minimum value with statistical uncer-
498 tainty $A_N(2) \pm \delta_2$, only when $\frac{|A_N(1)-A_N(2)|}{\sqrt{|\delta_1^2-\delta_2^2|}} > 1$ the standard variation will be
499 used for this systematic uncertainty term, otherwise this systematic uncertainty
500 term will be assigned 0 (Barlow check) [21]. All the systematic uncertainty for
501 each x_F bin will be calculated individually.

Variation	-20	-10	+10	+20
East Large BBC ADC sum cut	60	70	90	100
East Small BBC ADC sum cut	70	80	100	110
West Large BBC ADC sum cut	40	50	70	80
West Small BBC ADC sum cut	60	70	90	100

Table 8.1: List of BBC veto cut values for systematic uncertainty study.

502 **8.2 Systematic uncertainty for the BBC veto** 503 **cuts**

504 The BBC veto cuts include East Large BBC ADC sum < 80 and East Small BBC
505 ADC sum < 90 , for the single diffractive process and the rapidity gap events.
506 They also include West Large BBC ADC sum < 60 and West Small BBC ADC
507 sum < 80 , for the semi-exclusive process. We change the cut values for Large
508 BBC and Small BBC ADC sum to study the systematic uncertainty, as shown
509 in Tab. (8.1). We calculate the A_N with its statistical uncertainty for each cut
510 standard variation with varying the cuts. Then, we use the Barlow check to
511 determine whether to keep the standard derivation as systematic uncertainty
512 [21]. Note, the systematic uncertainty for Large BBC and Small BBC ADC
513 sum cuts are studied separately for each process.

514 **8.3 Ring of Fire**

515 The Ring of Fire is a kind of background related to the FMS-sm-bs3 trigger.
516 This trigger is targeted at the inner region of FMS, which is close to the beam.
517 It's generally recognized that the beam remnants are accepted by FMS-sm-bs3
518 trigger. Therefore, the effect of this trigger will be considered as one source of
519 systematic uncertainty. The systematic uncertainty for the Ring of Fire will
520 be the A_N result difference between considering this trigger and excluding this
521 trigger. In addition, the Barlow check is applied to determine whether to keep
522 the standard derivation as systematic uncertainty.

523 **8.4 Energy sum cut uncertainty**

524 To study the energy sum cut uncertainty, we varied the energy cut per x_F bin
525 by ± 10 GeV and ± 5 GeV. Table (8.2) shows the exact values for studying the
526 energy sum cut uncertainty. We calculate the A_N with its statistical uncertainty
527 for each cut standard variation with varying these energy sum cuts. Then, we

EM-jet x_F	E_{sum} cut (-10 GeV)	E_{sum} cut (-5 GeV)	E_{sum} cut (+5 GeV)	E_{sum} cut (+10 GeV)
0.2 - 0.25	$E_{sum} < 100$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 105$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 115$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 120$ GeV
0.25 - 0.3	$E_{sum} < 100$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 105$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 115$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 120$ GeV
0.3 - 0.35	$E_{sum} < 105$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 110$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 120$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 125$ GeV
0.35 - 0.4	$E_{sum} < 105$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 110$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 120$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 125$ GeV
0.4 - 0.45	$E_{sum} < 110$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 115$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 125$ GeV	$E_{sum} < 130$ GeV

Table 8.2: Energy sum cuts for semi-exclusive process in the energy sum cut uncertainty study

528 use the Barlow check to determine whether to keep the standard derivation as
529 systematic uncertainty [21].

530 8.5 Polarization uncertainty

531 The blue beam and yellow beam polarization are used to calculate the A_N
532 results. As a habit, the uncertainty of beam polarization uncertainty is listed
533 independently. The beam polarization measurement results are provided by
534 the CNI group, which develops, maintains, and operates the RHIC polarimeter
535 measurement. The beam polarization measurement results are listed in the table
536 on the webpage [22]. In the webpage, the starting time (t_0), the polarization
537 of the blue (yellow) beam at the beginning of every fill (P_0), the decay rate
538 ($\frac{dP}{dt}$) are provided for each fill. For each event, the beam polarization can be
539 calculated from the time difference from the beginning of the fill using Equ.
540 (8.1), where t_{event} is the time of each event. The beam polarization for each
541 run can be calculated by Equ. (8.2), where t_{run} is the time of the center of the
542 run. The beam polarization for each fill can be calculated using the weighted
543 average run polarization with Equ. (8.3), where L_{run} is the luminosity of each
544 run. However, since L_{run} is proportional to the number of events in each run,
545 the number of events in each run will be replacing the luminosity of each run
546 in the calculation.

$$P_{event} = P_0 + \frac{dP}{dt}(t_{event} - t_0) \quad (8.1)$$

$$P_{run} = P_0 + \frac{dP}{dt}(t_{run} - t_0) \quad (8.2)$$

$$P_{fill} = \frac{\sum_{run} L_{run} P_{run}}{\sum_{run} L_{run}} \quad (8.3)$$

547 The beam polarization uncertainty includes the scale uncertainty, fill-to-fill
548 uncertainty, and uncertainty from the profile correction procedure [23].

549 The scale uncertainty is related to the polarization measurement methods.
550 It includes H-jet scale, H-jet background and pC scale. For run 15, the scale

551 uncertainty is 3% [23].

552 The relative uncertainty of the profiles correction for one beam in one fill
 553 is 2.2%. For a set of M fills, the relative profile correction for the single-spin
 554 asymmetry measurement is $\sigma(profile)/P = 2.2\%/\sqrt{M}$ [23]. For the run 15
 555 FMS dataset, this uncertainty is about 0.3%.

556 The fill-to-fill uncertainty is propagated based on Equ. (8.3) with the uncer-
 557 tainty of P_0 and $\frac{dP}{dt}$. The uncertainty for these two terms ($\sigma(P_0)$) and ($\sigma(\frac{dP}{dt})$)
 558 for either blue beam or yellow beam can be obtained in [22]. This uncertainty
 559 can be expressed in Equ. (8.4). The third term on the right side of the equation
 560 is due to the sensitivity of the measurement of the energy scale of the nuclei in
 561 the pC polarimetry [14], and it's negligible. However, for the term (Equ. (8.5)),
 562 this correction is overcounting for the measurement using a fraction of the run
 563 period. Therefore, a correction scale factor $\sqrt{1 - \frac{M}{N}}$ is applied for the second
 564 term, which is shown in Equ. (8.6). For this analysis, N=54 and M=142. The
 565 fill-to-fill uncertainty for single diffractive EM-jet analysis is about 0.3%.

$$\sigma^2(P_{fill}) = \sigma^2(P_0) + \sigma^2\left(\frac{dP}{dt}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{\sum_{run} t_{run} L_{run}}{L_{fill}} - t_0\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma(fill - to - fill)}{P}\right)^2 \cdot P_{fill}^2 \quad (8.4)$$

$$P_{set}^2 = \left(\frac{\sum_{run} t_{run} L_{run}}{L_{fill}}\right) \quad (8.5)$$

$$P_{fill-to-to-fill\ scale}^2 = \left(1 - \frac{N}{M}\right) \cdot P_{set}^2 \quad (8.6)$$

566 Finally, the polarization uncertainty is calculated in the quadrature. For the
 567 single diffractive EM-jet analysis, it's about 3%.

568 8.6 Summary for the systematic uncertainty

569 The final systematic uncertainty for single diffractive process and rapidity gap
 570 events will be counted bin by bin (x_F bin), and they are calculated as $\sqrt{\sum_i \sigma_i^2}$.

571 Table (8.3) and Table (8.4) show the systematic uncertainty for each and
 572 final term for the blue beam A_N and yellow beam A_N for all photon multiplicity
 573 EM-jets from single diffractive process, respectively. Table (8.5) and Table (8.6)
 574 show the systematic uncertainty for each and final term for the blue beam A_N
 575 and yellow beam A_N for one or two-photon multiplicity EM-jets from single
 576 diffractive process, respectively. Table (8.7) and Table (8.8) show the systematic
 577 uncertainty for each and final term for the blue beam A_N and yellow beam A_N
 578 for three or more photon multiplicity EM-jets from single diffractive process,
 579 respectively.

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Background	Summary
0.2 - 0.25	0.0026	0.0041	0	0.0044	0.0064
0.25 - 0.3	0	0	0.0022	0.0034	0.0041
0.3 - 0.35	0	0.0020	0	0.0032	0.0037
0.35 - 0.4	0.0017	0.0034	0	0.0035	0.0052
0.4 - 0.45	0.0022	0.0052	0.012	0.0041	0.014

Table 8.3: Systematic uncertainty for blue beam A_N for all photon multiplicity EM-jets from single diffractive process

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Background	Summary
0.2 - 0.25	0.0027	0.0054	0	0.0043	0.0074
0.25 - 0.3	0.0028	0.0025	0	0.0034	0.0051
0.3 - 0.35	0	0.0046	0	0.0031	0.0056
0.35 - 0.4	0.0018	0.0048	0.0051	0.0035	0.0080
0.4 - 0.45	0.0013	0.0022	0	0.0040	0.0048

Table 8.4: Systematic uncertainty for yellow beam A_N for all photon multiplicity EM-jets from single diffractive process

580 Also, table (8.9) and Table (8.10) show the systematic uncertainty for each
581 and final term for the blue beam A_N and yellow beam A_N for all photon mul-
582 tiplicity EM-jets from rapidity gap events, respectively. Table (8.11) and Table
583 (8.12) show the systematic uncertainty for each and final term for the blue beam
584 A_N and yellow beam A_N for one or two-photon multiplicity EM-jets from rapid-
585 ity gap events, respectively. Table (8.13) and Table (8.14) show the systematic
586 uncertainty for each and final term for the blue beam A_N and yellow beam
587 A_N for three or more photon multiplicity EM-jets from rapidity gap events,
588 respectively.

589 Finally, Table (8.15) and Table (8.16) show the systematic uncertainty for
590 each and final term for the blue beam A_N and yellow beam A_N for one or
591 two-photon multiplicity EM-jets from semi-exclusive process, respectively.

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Background	Summary
0.2 - 0.25	0.0040	0.0033	0	0.0057	0.0077
0.25 - 0.3	0.0024	0	0.0022	0.0046	0.0056
0.3 - 0.35	0.0018	0.0018	0	0.0044	0.0051
0.35 - 0.4	0.0032	0.0034	0	0.0047	0.0066
0.4 - 0.45	0.0055	0.0072	0.022	0.0052	0.024

Table 8.5: Systematic uncertainty for blue beam A_N for 1 or 2 photon multiplicity EM-jets from single diffractive process

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Background	Summary
0.2 - 0.25	0.0035	0	0	0.0056	0.0065
0.25 - 0.3	0.0021	0.0035	0	0.0045	0.0061
0.3 - 0.35	0.0025	0.0041	0	0.0043	0.0064
0.35 - 0.4	0	0.0062	0	0.0046	0.0077
0.4 - 0.45	0.0016	0.0036	0.020	0.0052	0.021

Table 8.6: Systematic uncertainty for yellow beam A_N for 1 or 2 photon multiplicity EM-jets from single diffractive process

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Background	Summary
0.2 - 0.25	0	0.0076	0	0.0068	0.010
0.25 - 0.3	0.0022	0.0028	0.0023	0.0051	0.0066
0.3 - 0.35	0	0	0	0.0046	0.0046
0.35 - 0.4	0	0.0047	0.0076	0.0055	0.010
0.4 - 0.45	0.0035	0.0053	0	0.0066	0.0091

Table 8.7: Systematic uncertainty for blue beam A_N for 3 or more photon multiplicity EM-jets from single diffractive process

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Background	Summary
0.2 - 0.25	0.0098	0.014	0	0.0067	0.019
0.25 - 0.3	0.0037	0.0033	0	0.0046	0.0071
0.3 - 0.35	0.0030	0.0081	0.0046	0.0045	0.011
0.35 - 0.4	0.0037	0.0047	0.0051	0.0052	0.011
0.4 - 0.45	0	0	0.015	0.0065	0.017

Table 8.8: Systematic uncertainty for yellow beam A_N for 3 or more photon multiplicity EM-jets from single diffractive process

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Summary
0.1 - 0.2	0	0.0064	0	0.0064
0.2 - 0.25	0.0016	0	0	0.0016
0.25 - 0.3	0.00051	0.00096	0.00042	0.0011
0.3 - 0.35	0.00084	0	0	0.00084
0.35 - 0.4	0.0014	0	0.0033	0.0036
0.4 - 0.45	0.0010	0.0011	0	0.0015

Table 8.9: Systematic uncertainty for blue beam A_N for all photon multiplicity EM-jets from rapidity gap events

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Summary
0.1 - 0.2	0.0027	0	0	0.0027
0.2 - 0.25	0.00052	0.0019	0	0.0019
0.25 - 0.3	0.00064	0.0012	0	0.0013
0.3 - 0.35	0.00066	0.00047	0	0.00081
0.35 - 0.4	0.00092	0.0013	0.0023	0.0029
0.4 - 0.45	0	0.0012	0	0.0012

Table 8.10: Systematic uncertainty for yellow beam A_N for all photon multiplicity EM-jets from rapidity gap events

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Summary
0.1 - 0.2	0.0028	0.0061	0	0.0067
0.2 - 0.25	0.0018	0.0019	0	0.0026
0.25 - 0.3	0	0	0.00070	0.00070
0.3 - 0.35	0.00094	0	0.0023	0.0025
0.35 - 0.4	0.0024	0.0017	0	0.0030
0.4 - 0.45	0.00074	0.0019	0	0.0020

Table 8.11: Systematic uncertainty for blue beam A_N for 1 or 2 photon multiplicity EM-jets from rapidity gap events

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Summary
0.1 - 0.2	0.0027	0	0	0.0027
0.2 - 0.25	0.00081	0.0024	0	0.0018
0.25 - 0.3	0.0015	0.0011	0	0.0019
0.3 - 0.35	0.00086	0.0011	0.0017	0.0022
0.35 - 0.4	0	0.0015	0.0034	0.0037
0.4 - 0.45	0.00069	0	0.0059	0.0060

Table 8.12: Systematic uncertainty for yellow beam A_N for 1 or 2 photon multiplicity EM-jets from rapidity gap events

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Summary
0.1 - 0.2	0	0.0088	0	0.0088
0.2 - 0.25	0.0015	0	0	0.0015
0.25 - 0.3	0	0	0	0
0.3 - 0.35	0.00082	0	0.0018	0.0020
0.35 - 0.4	0	0	0.0040	0.0040
0.4 - 0.45	0.0028	0.0021	0.0036	0.0050

Table 8.13: Systematic uncertainty for blue beam A_N for 3 or more photon multiplicity EM-jets from rapidity gap events

x_F	Small BBC east	Large BBC east	Ring of Fire	Summary
0.1 - 0.2	0.0045	0	0	0.0045
0.2 - 0.25	0	0.0028	0	0.0028
0.25 - 0.3	0.0014	0.0026	0	0.0029
0.3 - 0.35	0.0014	0	0	0.0014
0.35 - 0.4	0.0017	0.0014	0	0.0022
0.4 - 0.45	0.0017	0.0021	0.0046	0.0053

Table 8.14: Systematic uncertainty for yellow beam A_N for 3 or more photon multiplicity EM-jets from rapidity gap events

Blue beam x_F	Small BBC west	Large BBC west	Ring of Fire	Energy sum	Background	Summary
0.2 - 0.25	0	0.033	0	0.028	0.0033	0.043
0.25 - 0.3	0.0081	0.021	0	0	0.0031	0.023
0.3 - 0.35	0.0058	0	0.010	0.011	0.0027	0.017
0.35 - 0.4	0.0072	0.011	0	0.040	0.0011	0.041
0.4 - 0.45	0.012	0.015	0	0	0.0045	0.019

Table 8.15: Systematic uncertainty for blue beam A_N for 1 or 2 photon multiplicity EM-jets from semi-exclusive process

Yellow beam x_F	Small BBC west	Large BBC west	Ring of Fire	Energy sum	Background	Summary
0.2 - 0.25	0.018	0.014	0	0	0.00059	0.023
0.25 - 0.3	0.012	0	0.0045	0.027	0.00068	0.030
0.3 - 0.35	0	0.015	0	0.0012	0.0011	0.019
0.35 - 0.4	0	0.010	0.017	0	0.0042	0.020
0.4 - 0.45	0	0	0	0.011	0.0032	0.012

Table 8.16: Systematic uncertainty for yellow beam A_N for 1 or 2 photon multiplicity EM-jets from semi-exclusive process

592 Chapter 9

593 A_N Analysis Method and 594 Results

595 9.1 A_N Extraction

596 The cross-ratio method is used to extract the A_N , and the corresponding formu-
597 las are shown in Equ. (9.1) and Equ. (9.2). In both equations, raw A_N stands
598 for the raw asymmetry. $N^{\uparrow(\downarrow)}(\phi)$, $N^{\uparrow(\downarrow)}(\phi + \pi)$ are the yields detected at ϕ ,
599 $(\phi + \pi)$ for spin up (down) state, where ϕ is the azimuthal angle of the EM-jet
600 in the lab frame. In this analysis, the full 2π azimuthal coverage is split into 16
601 ranges. P is the average polarization of the proton beam, where the polariza-
602 tion for each event is calculated from Equ. (8.1). A cosine fit ($p_0 \cos(\phi) + p_1$) is
603 applied to the entire data after all the event selection criteria to extract the A_N
604 from the raw asymmetry in Eq. (9.2), while the constant term p_1 could provide
605 cross-check for possible unidentified asymmetry, but this analysis does not take
606 it into account.

$$rawA_N = \frac{\sqrt{N^{\uparrow}(\phi)N^{\downarrow}(\phi + \pi)} - \sqrt{N^{\downarrow}(\phi)N^{\uparrow}(\phi + \pi)}}{\sqrt{N^{\uparrow}(\phi)N^{\downarrow}(\phi + \pi)} + \sqrt{N^{\downarrow}(\phi)N^{\uparrow}(\phi + \pi)}} \quad (9.1)$$

$$\epsilon = PA_N \cos(\phi) \quad (9.2)$$

607 This method takes advantage of detector azimuthal symmetry and cancels
608 effects due to the non-uniform detector efficiency and the time-dependent lumi-
609 nosity.

610 Figure 9.1 shows one example for the raw asymmetry extraction with the
611 cosine fit applied. Finally, the quality of the cross-ratio fit for all these processes
612 and the cases of photon multiplicity are mentioned in Appendix C.

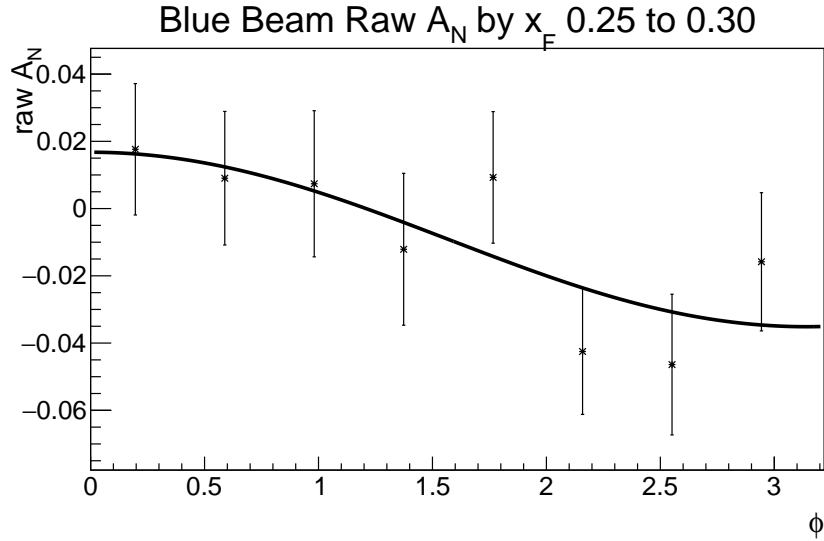


Figure 9.1: Example of the raw asymmetry (raw A_N) extraction with the cosine fit. This is the fit for calculating the raw asymmetry for single diffractive EM-jet A_N with all photon multiplicity at the EM-jet $0.25 < x_F < 0.3$.

613 9.2 Single diffractive EM-jet A_N

614 Three cases of EM-jet are studied for A_N of the single diffractive process: the
615 EM-jet with all photon multiplicity, with only one or two-photon multiplicity,
616 and with three or more photon multiplicity. Figure (9.2) shows the results for
617 the single diffractive EM-jet A_N as a function of x_F for the three cases of photon
618 multiplicity mentioned above. Among the three panels in the figure, the blue
619 points are for the blue beam A_N , represented as $x_F > 0$, while the red points
620 are for the yellow beam A_N , represented as $x_F < 0$. The top panel is the results
621 for all photon multiplicity. The statistical uncertainty is shown in bar, while the
622 systematic uncertainty is shown in shaded box. The 2.7σ non-zero significance
623 is observed for the blue beam A_N . The blue beam A_N for the EM-jets with one
624 or two photon multiplicity case shows about 2.5σ non-zero significance, showing
625 in the middle panel. However, the blue beam A_N for the EM-jets with three or
626 more photon multiplicity cases is consistent with zero. The EM-jet A_N for one
627 or two-photon multiplicity case is larger than that for all photon multiplicity
628 case and for three or more-photon multiplicity case, which is consistent with the
629 results shown in the inclusive processes [24].

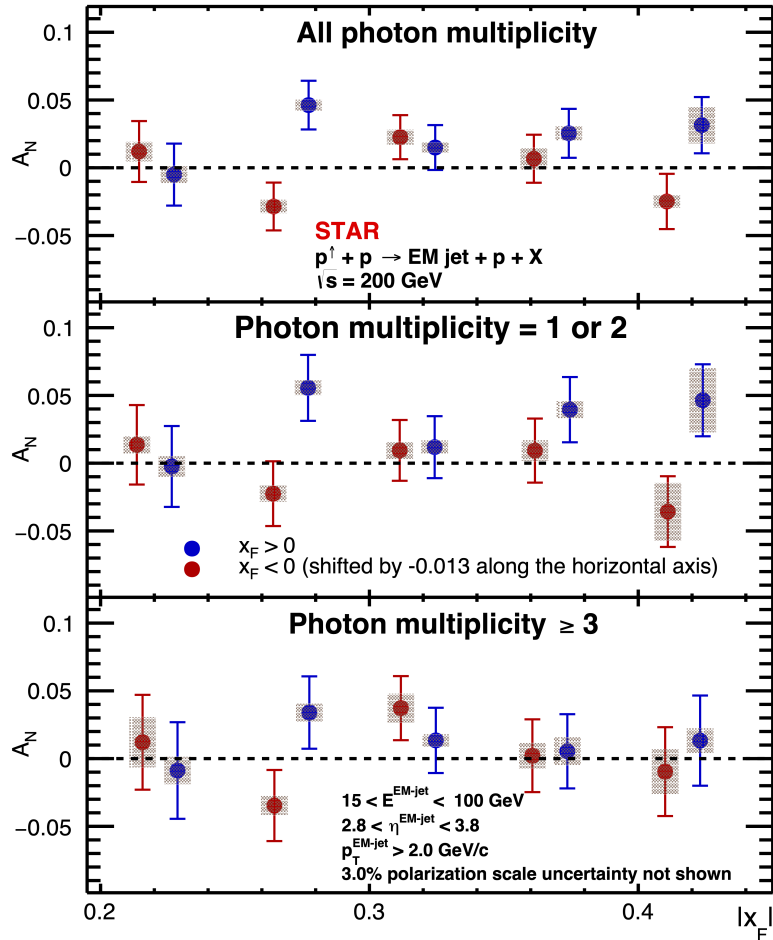


Figure 9.2: A_N for single diffractive events as a function of x_F for three different photon multiplicity cases: all photon multiplicity (top), one or two-photon multiplicity (middle), and three or more photon multiplicity (bottom). The A_N for $x_F < 0$ (red points) shifts -0.013 along the x-axis.

630 **9.3 Rapidity gap events EM-jet A_N**

631 For the A_N of the rapidity gap events, the same three cases of the EM-jet are
632 explored: the EM-jet with all photon multiplicity, with only one or two-photon
633 multiplicity, and with three or more photon multiplicity. Figure (9.3) shows the
634 results for the EM-jet A_N of the rapidity gap events as a function of x_F for
635 the three cases of photon multiplicity mentioned above. The A_N of all photon
636 multiplicity and one or two-photon multiplicity cases shows the non-zero value
637 but with a similar scale as for the A_N of the inclusive process with the same
638 two cases of photon multiplicity [24]. The A_N of the three or more photon
639 multiplicity EM-jets are shown to be consistent with zero. In addition, the
640 yellow beam A_N is also consistent with zero, regardless of photon multiplicity.

641 Furthermore, to better visualize the A_N contributions of the single diffractive
642 process and the rapidity gap events to the inclusive process, a direct comparison
643 plot among the A_N for inclusive process, diffractive process, and rapidity gap
644 events for one or two-photon multiplicity, and three or more-photon multiplic-
645 ity are shown in Fig. (9.4). The A_N for the single diffractive process and the
646 rapidity gap events are consistent with that for inclusive process within uncer-
647 tainty coverage for most of the x_F regions for both multiplicity cases. The A_N
648 for the three processes for EM-jets with three or more-photon multiplicity are
649 all consistent with each other. These direct comparison results indicate that
650 the single diffractive process can not provide evidence that it contributes to the
651 large A_N in the inclusive process.

652 **9.4 Semi-exclusive EM-jet A_N**

653 For the semi-exclusive process, only the case of EM-jet with 1 or 2 photon is
654 explored to extract the A_N , because the majority of the events are with 1 or
655 2 photon multiplicity EM-jet. Figure (9.5) shows the semi-exclusive EM-jet
656 A_N as a function of EM-jet x_F . Constant fit is applied to check the n-sigma
657 significance for non-zero A_N value among these x_F regions. The blue beam
658 A_N is 3.1σ to be non-zero, while the yellow beam A_N is 1.4σ to be non-zero.
659 However, the semi-exclusive EM-jet A_N is negative, which is different from A_N
660 in the inclusive process. Further theories are needed to understand such different
661 sign.

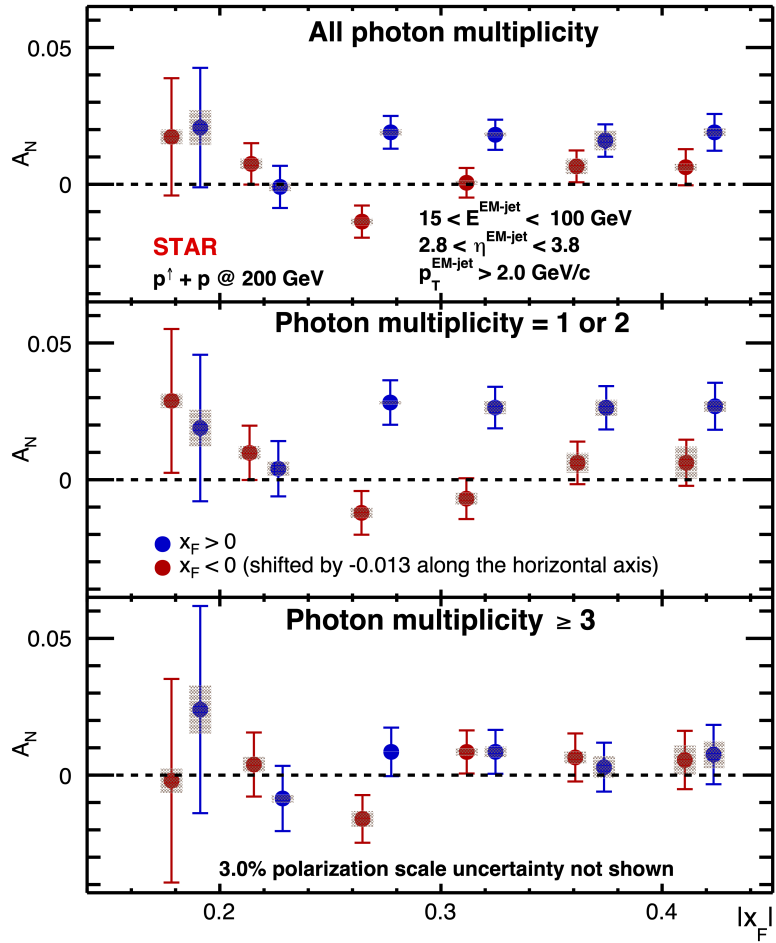


Figure 9.3: A_N for rapidity gap events as a function of x_F for three different photon multiplicity cases: all photon multiplicity (top), one or two-photon multiplicity (middle), and three or more photon multiplicity (bottom). The A_N for $x_F < 0$ (red points) shifts -0.013 along the x-axis.

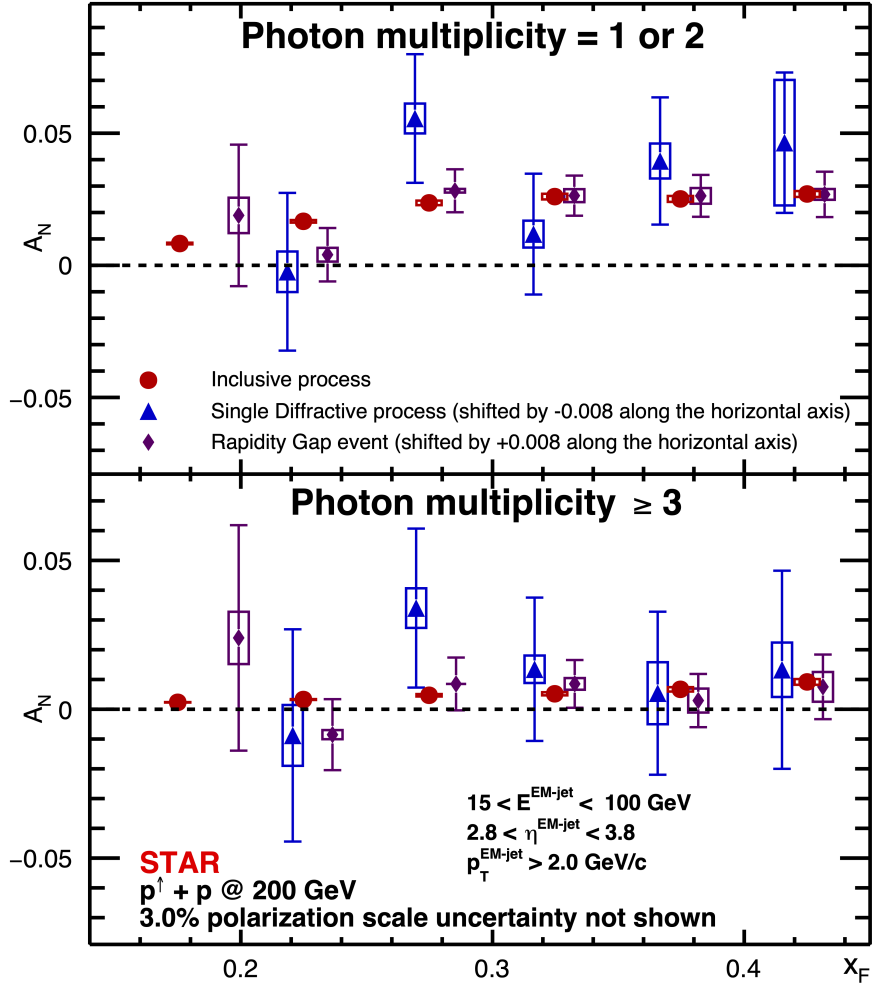


Figure 9.4: A_N for inclusive process (red), single diffractive process (blue), and the rapidity gap events (purple) as a function of x_F for one or two-photon multiplicity case (top panel) and three or more-photon multiplicity (bottom panel). The A_N for single diffractive process shifts -0.008 along the x-axis, and the A_N for rapidity gap events shifts +0.008 along the x-axis

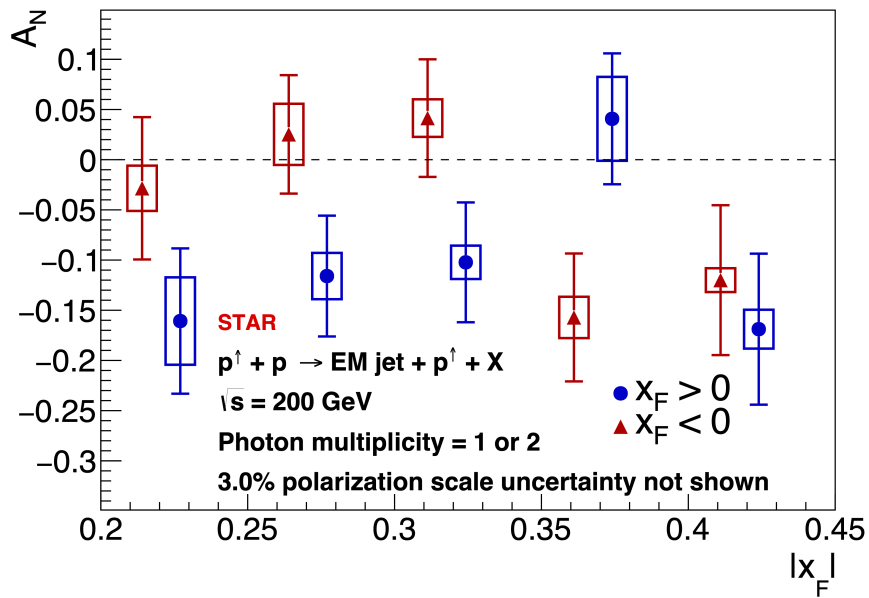


Figure 9.5: A_N for the semi-exclusive process with 1 or 2 photon multiplicity EM-jets as a function of EM-jet x_F . The blue points are for $x_F > 0$, while the red points are for $x_F < 0$.

Chapter 10

Cross section fraction study

The cross section fraction is the fraction of the cross section in the single diffractive process to the cross section in the inclusive process at forward region. This study can provide evidence to develop theories to understand the underlying mechanism for the A_N in the diffractive process.

The cross section for the single diffractive process (σ_{SD}) can be calculated using Equ. (10.1). The cross section for the inclusive process (σ_{inc}) can be calculated using Equ. (10.2). N_{SD} and N_{inc} denote as the yields of single diffractive events and inclusive events, respectively. To specify, the inclusive event yields only counts the runs used for the single diffractive events. ε_{RP} and ε_{BBC} are the Roman Pot efficiency and BBC efficiency, respectively. Purity indicate the fraction of the real single diffractive process in the single diffractive process. ε_{FMS} denotes as FMS efficiency, $\varepsilon_{trigger}$ denotes as trigger efficiency, \mathcal{L} denotes as integrated luminosity. However, it is difficult to calculate the FMS efficiency and the trigger efficiency. Therefore, we do not calculate the absolute cross section for either process. However, if we assume the FMS efficiency, the trigger efficiency and the integrated luminosity are the same between two processes, all these terms can cancel out between each other when we calculate their ratio. In that case, the cross section fraction can be calculated using Equ. (10.3).

$$\sigma_{SD} = \frac{N_{SD} \times purity}{\mathcal{L} \times \varepsilon_{RP} \times \varepsilon_{BBC} \times \varepsilon_{FMS} \times \varepsilon_{trigger}} \quad (10.1)$$

$$\sigma_{inc} = \frac{N_{inc}}{\mathcal{L} \times \varepsilon_{FMS} \times \varepsilon_{trigger}} \quad (10.2)$$

$$\frac{\sigma_{SD}}{\sigma_{inc}} = \frac{N_{SD} \times purity}{N_{inc} \times \varepsilon_{RP} \times \varepsilon_{BBC}} \quad (10.3)$$

683 Purity can be calculated using the zerobias event background estimation
684 (detail in Sec. (7.1)). The fraction of the accidental coincidence is $1.8\% \pm 0.1\%$,
685 so the purity is $98.2\% \pm 0.1\%$.

686 The RP efficiency can be estimated using the single diffractive process sim-
687 ulation using the Pythia simulation and RP simulation (pp2pp). It can be
688 calculated by the fraction of the events with good east RP track after the RP
689 simulation in the detector level to the events with proton on east side in the
690 Pythia simulation in the particle level. Both the good east RP track in the RP
691 simulation and the proton track in the particle level simulation are required to
692 be within $0 < \xi < 0.15$ region. The RP efficiency is about 11.4%.

693 The BBC efficiency be estimated using the single diffractive process simu-
694 lation using the Pythia simulation and STAR simulation (Geant3) with BBC
695 simulation option. This efficiency can be calculated by the fraction of the events
696 passing the BBC east veto (detail in Sec. (3.3)) to all the events with east proton
697 intact. The BBC efficiency is about 99.9%.

698 The systematic uncertainty for the RP efficiency is 6.5%, based on the STAR
699 central exclusive analysis [25]. The systematic uncertainty for the BBC efficiency
700 is 10%, based on STAR single diffractive study [26].

701 The overall cross section fraction is $0.672\% \pm 0.080\%$. The differential cross
702 section is studied as a function of EM-jet x_F region, shown in Fig. (10.1). The
703 single diffractive process cross section is very small compared to the inclusive
704 process cross section, which shows that it can not have significant contribution
705 to the large A_N in inclusive process.

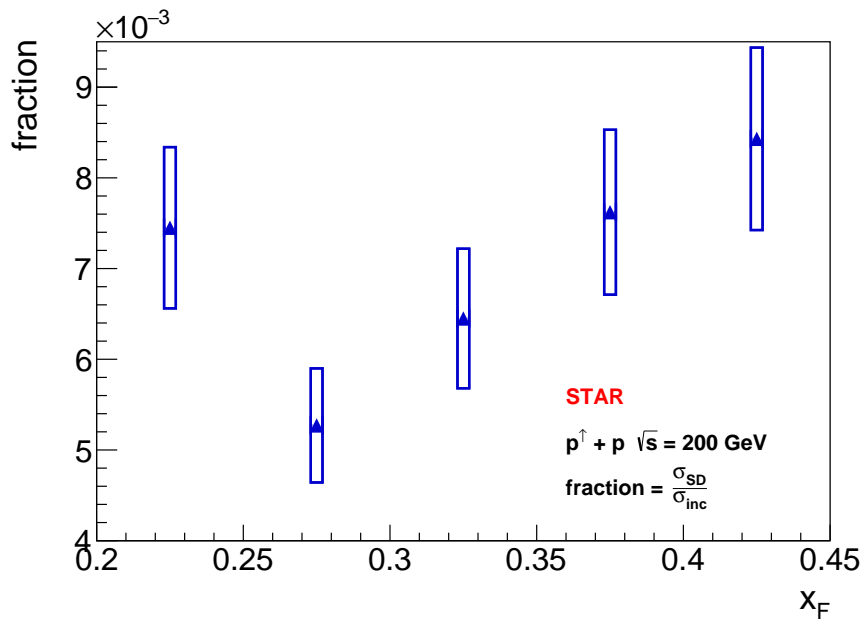


Figure 10.1: Cross section fraction of the single diffractive process (σ_{SD}) to the inclusive process (σ_{inc}) as a function of x_F .

706 Chapter 11

707 Conclusion

708 The transverse single-spin asymmetry as a function of EM-jet x_F from single
709 diffractive process is explored. The all photon multiplicity and one or two-
710 photon multiplicity EM-jet A_N for $x_F > 0$ from the single diffractive process
711 show the non-zero values with more than $2\text{-}\sigma$ significance. The A_N for $x_F < 0$
712 from the single diffractive process and rapidity gap events are shown to be
713 consistent with zero. Furthermore, the A_N for inclusive process, the single
714 diffractive process, and the rapidity gap events are consistent with each other
715 within uncertainty. In addition, the cross section fraction study provide evidence
716 that the single diffractive process cross section is very small compared to the
717 inclusive process cross section. Therefore, no strong evidence exists that these
718 process with the unpolarized proton intact will contribute to the large A_N in
719 the inclusive process.

720 The transverse single-spin asymmetry for semi-exclusive process with polar-
721 ized proton intact is negative with more than 3σ significance to be non-zero,
722 which also can not have great contribution to the large A_N in the inclusive
723 process. Such a different sign on the A_N requires further theories to explain.

724 **Appendix A**

725 **Run list**

Table A.1: Run list

16066033	16066035	16066046	16066047	16066049	16066050	16066051
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16069060	16069062	16069063	16069064	16069065	16069066	16069067
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16071054	16071055	16071056	16071058	16071059	16071060	16071061
16071062	16071076	16071077	16071078	16071079	16072001	16072002
16072003	16072006	16072007	16072008	16072009	16072010	16072012
16072013	16072014	16072021	16072022	16072023	16072024	16072025

Table A.1: Run list (Continued)

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16082018	16082019	16082022	16082023	16082025	16082027	16082028

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16093004	16093010	16093011	16093012	16093013	16093014	16093015
16093016	16093017	16093018				

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730 Appendix B

731 Derivation for the AC 732 events effect to the 733 uncertainty

734 The effect for the uncertainty in A_N calculation regarding the AC events is
735 derived as follows. First of all, the corrected A_N is shown in Equ. (B.1).
736 $A_N(sig)$ is the corrected A_N , while $A_N(mea)$ is the measured A_N which contains
737 the effect of AC events. $frac(sig)$ is the signal fraction, while $frac(bkg)$ is the
738 AC background fraction, which is about 1.8% (detailed in Sec. (7.1)). The error
739 propagation for Equ. (B.1) is expressed in Equ. (B.2). Since the AC background
740 fraction and its uncertainty are very small, the second and the third term are
741 neglectable. Therefore, only the first term related to the statistical uncertainty
742 of the measured asymmetry will be kept. The difference in the uncertainty
743 between with and without the AC event correction will be assigned as systematic
744 uncertainty.

$$A_N(sig) = \frac{A_N(mea) - frac(bkg) * A_N(bkg)}{frac(sig)} = \frac{A_N(mea) - frac(bkg) * A_N(bkg)}{1 - frac(bkg)} \quad (B.1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma^2 &= \left(\frac{\partial A_N(\text{sig})}{\partial A_N(\text{mea})}\right)^2 \sigma A_N^2(\text{mea}) + \left(\frac{\partial A_N(\text{sig})}{\partial \text{frac}(\text{bkg})}\right)^2 \sigma \text{frac}^2(\text{bkg}) + \left(\frac{\partial A_N(\text{sig})}{\partial A_N(\text{bkg})}\right)^2 \sigma A_N^2(\text{bkg}) \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{1 - \text{frac}(\text{bkg})}\right)^2 \sigma A_N^2(\text{mea}) + \left(\frac{A_N(\text{sig})}{1 - \text{frac}(\text{bkg})}\right)^2 \sigma \text{frac}^2(\text{bkg}) + \left(\frac{\text{frac}(\text{bkg})}{1 - \text{frac}(\text{bkg})}\right)^2 \sigma A_N^2(\text{bkg}) \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{\text{frac}(\text{sig})}\right)^2 \sigma A_N^2(\text{mea}) + \left(\frac{A_N(\text{sig})}{\text{frac}(\text{sig})}\right)^2 \sigma \text{frac}^2(\text{bkg}) + \left(\frac{\text{frac}(\text{bkg})}{\text{frac}(\text{sig})}\right)^2 \sigma A_N^2(\text{bkg}) \\
&\approx \left(\frac{1}{\text{frac}(\text{sig})}\right)^2 \sigma A_N^2(\text{mea})
\end{aligned}
\tag{B.2}$$

745 Appendix C

746 Cross-ratio fit quality 747 results

748 Figure C.1 shows the χ^2 for the fit on extracting the A_N for all the three
749 processes mentioned in this note. The χ^2 probability distribution with degree
750 of freedom equal to 6 (this analysis) is also shown in Fig. (C.2. They are
751 roughly matched. Figure C.3 shows the distribution of the constant term from
752 the fit divided by its uncertainty. A Gaussian fit is applied to check whether
753 the constant term is consistent with zero. The mean of the Gaussian fit is
754 -0.15 ± 0.16 and the width is 1.1 ± 0.15 , which show that the constant term is
755 consistent with zero within uncertainty.

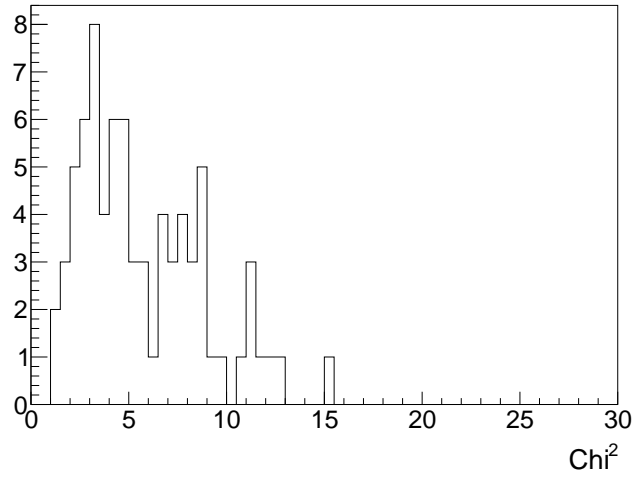


Figure C.1: χ^2 for the fit for all the data points for all three processes.

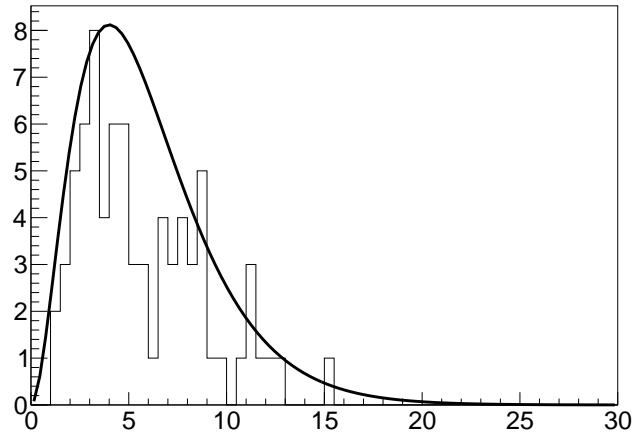


Figure C.2: χ^2 for the fit for all the data points for all three processes (in histogram). The curve shows the χ^2 probability distribution with degree of freedom = 6.

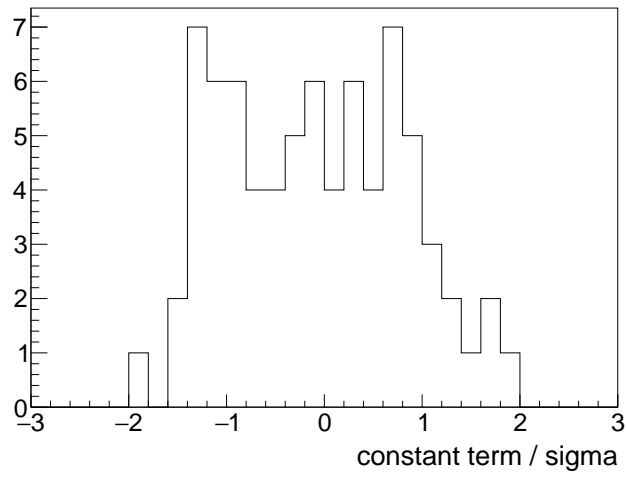


Figure C.3: Distribution of the constant term from the fit divided by its uncertainty

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