### Global Spin Alignment Update

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#### Reminder of last meeting

- We found that v2 caused differences between input and output  $\rho_{00}$  in simulation.
  - Effect is large in rapidity bins near the edge of the acceptance.
- Divu noticed that  $\langle \cos 2\beta \rangle$  was non-zero in simulation.
- This presentation includes studies that explore these two points.
- First, I will go over an error I found in my code.

#### φ-meson global spin alignment

- Self-subtraction of Kaon daughters from Event plane Q-vector was not working properly in previous results.
- Difference between  $|\eta|$  cuts now.



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I just want to make the point that these results to agree with BES-I for the |η| < 1.0 cut.</li>





This contradicts our results, but I am unsure if this was updated to the acceptance correction with v2 included. (This was an issue in the original acceptance simulation) - I will repeat this with no v2 in acceptance correction.

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sigma from 1/3 = 5.30
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sigma from BES-I = 1.065492
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#### φ-meson global spin alignment

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- Rapidity dependent η cut still has issue.



#### φ-meson global spin alignment

 Centrality dependent η cut still has issue. Blue smaller η cut points appear systematically larger by a small amount.
 After Fix



 $\eta$  cut leads to lower yield in  $|\cos\theta^*| = 1$  and higher yield in  $|\cos\theta^*| = 0$ 

 $-\hat{y}(\hat{L})$ 

#### v2 Studies

- These contributions cancel out if there is no v2.
- When v2 is present:
  - Higher phi-meson yield along +x, meaning there is a lower yield in |cosθ\*| = 0 and higher yield in |cosθ\*| = 1.
  - This means there would be a positive contribution to  $\rho_{00}$  from v2.

 $+\hat{x}(\Psi)$  low  $\downarrow$  low

η cut leads to lower yield in  $|cosθ^*| = 0$  and higher yield in  $|cosθ^*| = 1$ 

Think of this as a slice in STAR z position near the edge of acceptance, where φmeson |rapidity| is large.

#### Standard correction method

- Take ratio of  $\phi$ -meson yields as a function of **cos(\theta\*)** after/before  $\eta$  cuts on daughter kaons for  $\rho_{00}=1/3$  input.
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Let's look at the  $|\eta|$  cut dependence for a wide rapidity input with v2.

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R = 0.4

ml<1.0, -1.5<y<1.5 hl<1.0, -1.5<y<1.5 0.05 0.05 Preco\_pinput 00 \_b 00 50 Preco\_pinput 00 \_b 00 50  $\rho_{00}^{input} = 0.2500$  $\rho_{00}^{input} = 0.2500$ -0.1-0.1  $\rho^{\text{input}} = 0.3333$  $\rho^{\text{input}} = 0.3333$ +  $\rho_{00}^{input} = 0.4000$ +  $\rho_{00}^{\text{input}} = 0.4000$ -0.15 -0.15 0.1 0.2 0.1 0.2 v<sub>2</sub><sup>input</sup> v<sub>2</sub><sup>input</sup>

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Let's look at some cases where we use the smeared  $cos(\theta^{*'})$  acceptance ratio to correct the the smeared  $cos(\theta^{*'})$  distributions.



#### Effect of Event Plane Smearing on $\beta$ angle

The following distributions are in the  $\phi$ -meson rest frame. They represent the yield of  $\phi$ -meson in 2D space for each of the input  $\rho_{00}$  values.

In reaction plane ( $\Psi$ ) frame, the azimuthal angle ( $\beta$ ) has a uniform distribution in xz-plane (circular).



### Simple case ( $\rho_{00} = 1/3$ )



Rotating to the  $\Psi'$  frame does not cause non-uniformity in the  $\beta'$  angle.

$$\therefore \langle \cos 2\beta \rangle = \langle \cos 2\beta' \rangle = 0$$

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 $(\rho_{00} < 1/3)$ 



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The xz-plane and x'z'-plane projections are equivalent to  $cos(\theta^*) = 0$  and  $cos(\theta^{*'}) = 0$ . Conclusions from basic geometry examples at  $cos(\theta^*) = 0$  and  $cos(\theta^{*'}) = 0$ :

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By similar arguments, we would also expect other relevant terms  $\langle \cos \beta' \rangle$  and  $\langle \cos 4\beta' \rangle$  to be

zero.

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The smaller the  $|\eta|$  cut, the larger  $\langle \cos 2\beta \rangle$  will become.

Naively, I would not expect  $\langle \cos \beta \rangle$  or  $\langle \cos 4\beta \rangle$  to deviate from zero, since the  $|\eta|$  cut effect is symmetric along z-axis.

### $(\rho_{00} = 1/3) |\eta|$ cut effect



We expect  $\langle \cos \beta \rangle = 0$  just looking at the example on the left.

There is symmetry of yield across the +z axis and a change of sign of  $\cos\beta$  across this axis.





#### $\langle \cos 4m eta angle$ is not as trivial.

Depending on the  $|\eta|$  cut we could expect  $\langle \cos 4\beta \rangle$  to be +, -, or 0.

- #1, Certain |η| acceptance can produce a case that is hard to distinguish if it will be positive or negative.
- #2, Small  $|\eta|$  acceptance can cause positive value.
- #3, Wide |η| acceptance can produce slightly negative.

#### Check with simulation

- We see an increase in  $\langle \cos 2\beta \rangle$  away from 0 when we introduce  $|\eta|$  cuts.
- Smaller  $|\eta|$  cut leads to larger deviation from 0.



#### Check with simulation

•  $\langle \cos \beta \rangle$  is consistently 0.



#### Check with simulation

- $\langle \cos 4\beta \rangle$  deviates significantly from 0 at very small  $|\eta|$  cut values.
- Sign change matches our expectation.



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Effect from these two sources was zero to begin with, so naïve assumption holds.

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#### Summary

- There was an issue in the self-subtraction of the Kaon daughters, which has been fixed.
- We have learned from these studies that we need to have a precise measurement of v2 to properly correct our data.
  - I have been working on a rapidity and centrality dependent v2.
  - I have produced the yield histograms, but I need to rewrite some macros.
- Non-zero <cos(2β)> and <cos(4β)> from EP smearing/ Acceptance Cuts.

#### BACKUP

#### Other correction method

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