φ-meson global spin alignment update

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Points to Follow Up from Last Meeting

- Using rapidity dependent v₂ in simulations of efficiency+acceptance.
 - Motivation: Incorrect v_2 can have a significant effect on rapidity dependent ρ_{00} (seen in simulation).
- Try acceptance simulation for 0.8 < |y| < 1.0.
 - Motivation: maybe a symmetric cut will reduce difference between input and output.
- Include β' terms in the fitting of acceptance correction.
 - Motivation: <cos2β'> and <cos4β'> were found to be non-zero when η cut is present.
- Look into p_T dependent η cut study after fixing auto-correlation.
 - Motivation: There was a large difference between different η cuts, not observed before the fix.
 - η cut study performed for 27GeV BES-I showed there was no difference after correction.





Rapidity dependent ρ_{00}



• Rapidity dependent v_2 is consistent with p_T dependent v_2 results.

0.8 < |y| < 1.0 acceptance study

Use RP $\cos\theta^*$ distribution for deriving acceptance parameters.





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Use EP $\cos\theta^*$ distribution for deriving acceptance parameters.



 Conclusion: Using absolute value of rapidity does not significantly change the results of this study.

Using $<\cos 2\beta >$ and $<\cos 4\beta >$ in acceptance

Use values of $\langle \cos 2\beta \rangle$ and $\langle \cos 4\beta \rangle$ after $|\eta|$ cut, per ρ_{00} input

lηl<1.0, 0.8<y<1.0



• Seems to work well if we use values **before** $|\eta|$ cut, also works better than other method. $<\cos 2\beta >$ is the only non-zero value in this case.

Use values of $<\cos 2\beta >$ and $<\cos 4\beta >$ **before** $|\eta|$ cut, per ρ_{00} input



Comparing correction methods for p_T dependence



- Results appear consistent for different correction methods.
- Seems like an overcorrection.
- But if there was an increasing ρ_{00} with increasing |y|, wouldn't this make sense?

Centrality dependence



• This η cut dependence appears inverse to the dependence in the p_T study.

Road to QM2023

- URGENT: Solve acceptance correction dilemma.
 - Follow up on any points made during this meeting.
- This Weekend: Produce raw first order EP ρ_{00} results for 19.6 GeV.
 - Perform same η cut study and compare to second order.
- Next week (07/17-07/21): Produce raw first order EP ρ_{00} results for 14.6 GeV.
 - More time needed since I need to run the StEpdEventPlaneMaker several times.
- Other tasks:
 - 14.6 GeV v_2 vs p_T . Straight forward, code already in place.
 - 14.6 GeV p_T spectra.