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# Feasibility Study for Measuring $J/\psi$ Polarization at CMS

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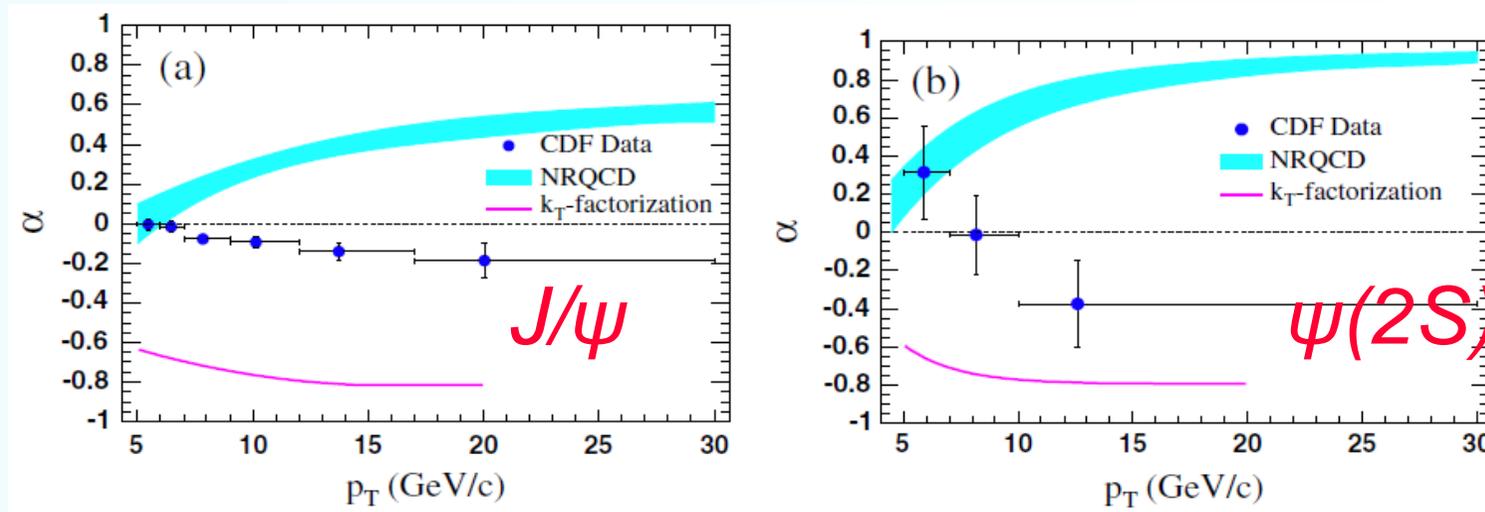


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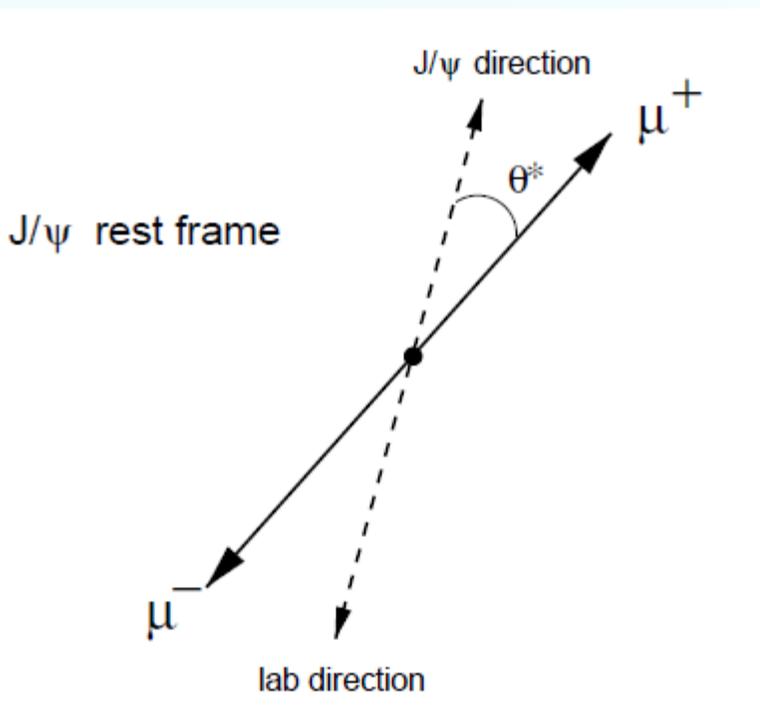
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- Non-relativistic QCD theory predicts prompt  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi(2S)$  mesons will be produced with increasingly transverse polarizations as a function of the meson's  $p_T$ .
- But the recent measurements at Tevatron by CDF seem to be in dramatic contradiction with this prediction.



- Polarization measurement is also important for measuring  $J/\psi$  cross section.

- In the  $J/\psi$  rest frame, the  $\mu^+$  makes an angle  $\theta^*$  with the  $J/\psi$  direction in the lab frame. The angular distribution depends on the polarization parameter  $\alpha$



$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d \cos \theta^*} = I_\alpha(\cos \theta^*) = \frac{3}{2(\alpha + 3)} (1 + \alpha \cos^2 \theta^*)$$

If  $J/\psi$  is fully Transverse polarization,  $\alpha=1$

If  $J/\psi$  is fully Longitudinal polarization,  $\alpha=-1$

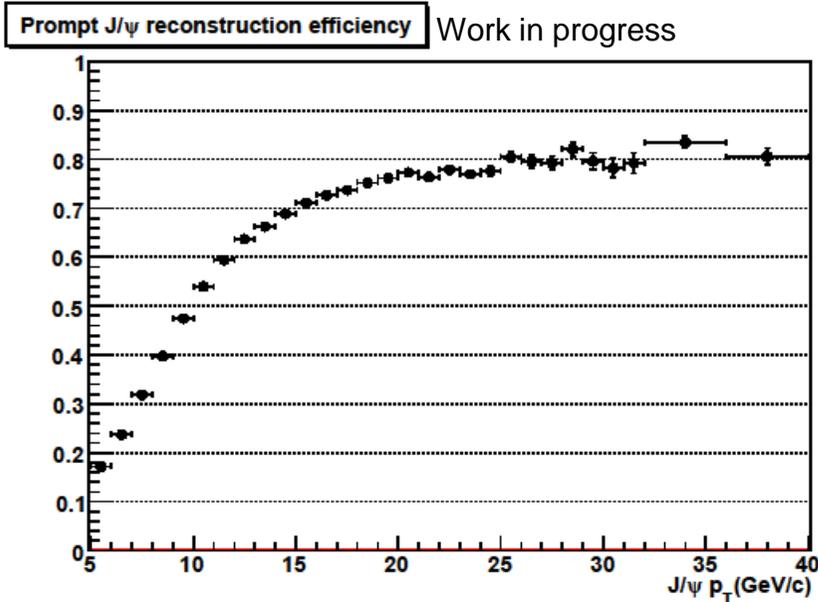
We can use a related alignment parameter  $\eta$  to measure the fraction of longitudinal alignment:

$$\Gamma_L / \Gamma = \eta = (1 - \alpha) / (3 + \alpha)$$

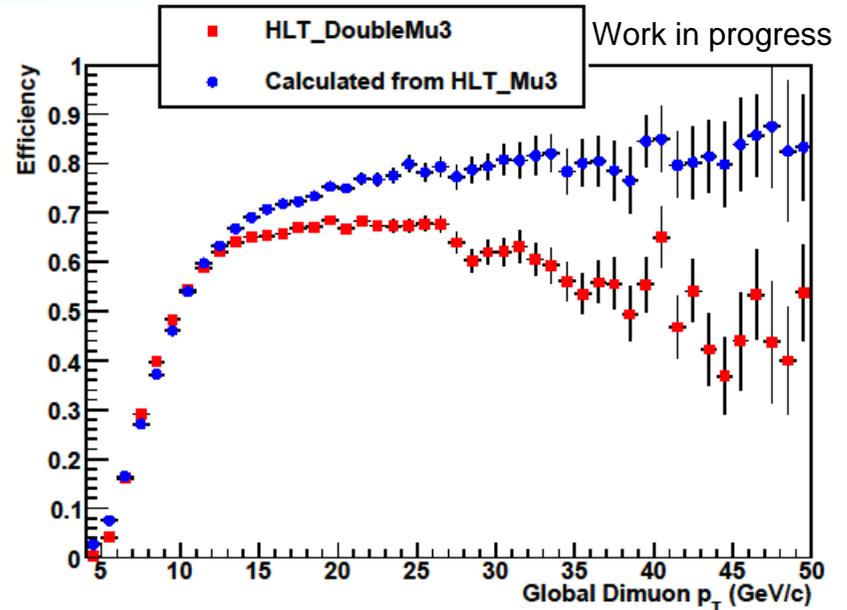
$$I_\alpha(\cos \theta^*) = \eta I_{\alpha=-1}(\cos \theta^*) + (1 - \eta) I_{\alpha=1}(\cos \theta^*)$$

MC Sample	Production	Effective cross section (pb)	Number of Events	$\int L$ (pb <sup>-1</sup> )	Pre-selection
Jpsi	Summer08	127,206	1,847,135	14.5	$2\mu$ $ \eta  < 2.5$ , $p_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}/c$
BtoJpsi	Summer08	24,652	2,434,076	98.7	$2\mu$ $ \eta  < 2.5$ , $p_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}/c$
ppMuX	Summer08	118,845,800	5,232,662	0.044	$1\mu$ $ \eta  < 2.5$ , $p_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}/c$
Jpsi	Private	621,464	4,000,000	6.4	$2\mu$ $ \eta  < 2.5$
BtoJpsi	Private	78,027	2,200,000	28.2	$2\mu$ $ \eta  < 2.5$
ppMuMuX	Private	618,720	303743	0.5	$2\mu$ $ \eta  < 2.5$ , $p_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}/c$

- In order to have sufficient statistics, we currently use only a single  $p_T$  bin for the analysis (assuming constant  $\alpha$  for all  $p_T$ ).
- The official ppMuX sample is only 0.044 pb<sup>-1</sup>. The lack of statistics prevent us from incorporating this background into our pseudo-experiments. To get around this limitation, we have generated a private ppMuMuX sample corresponding to 0.5 pb<sup>-1</sup>



Prompt J/ψ offline reconstruction efficiency versus J/ψ  $p_T$  integrating over generated J/ψ in the pseudorapidity range  $|\eta| < 2.5$



- Red dots: Double muon trigger efficiency
  - Blue dots:  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{Trigger}}^{J/\psi} = 1 - (1 - \mathcal{E}_{\text{HLT\_Mu3}}^{\mu 1}) \cdot (1 - \mathcal{E}_{\text{HLT\_Mu3}}^{\mu 2})$
- Two curves mostly agree in low  $p_T$  region, but exhibit disagreement in higher  $p_T$  region where the two muons are more likely to overlap.

- **Step #1** : Create separate samples of mostly prompt  $J/\psi$  and mostly  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  events

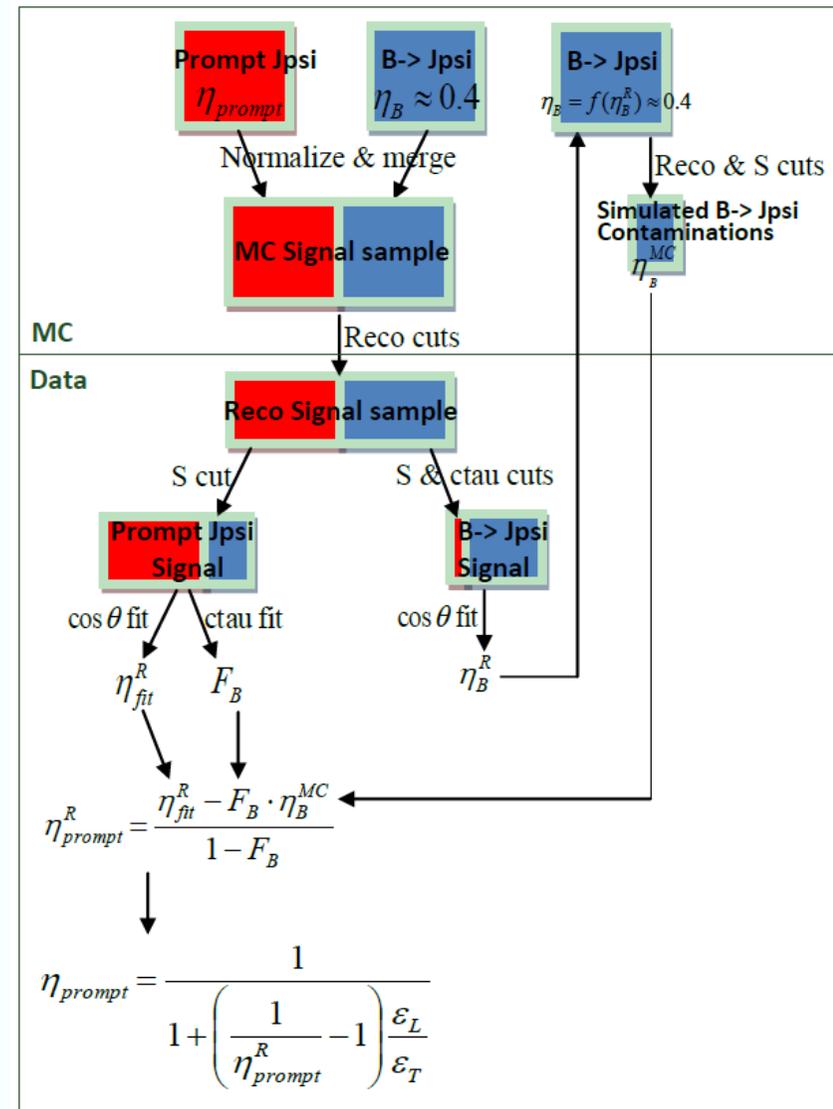
Use cuts on quantities associated with b-quark lifetime (S and  $c\tau$ ).

- **Step #2**: Modeling the residual  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  contamination in the prompt  $J/\psi$  sample

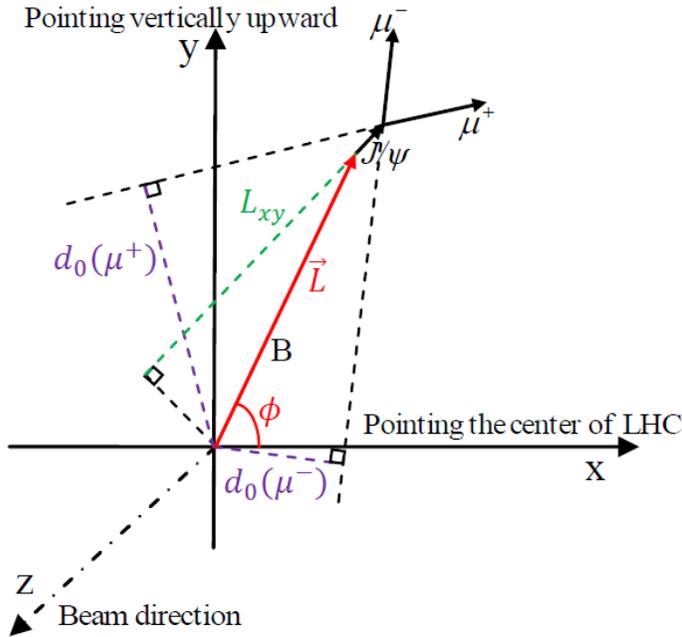
1. Fit for the residual  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  event fraction ( $F_B$ )
2. Measure the  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  polarization ( $\eta_B$ ) in the orthogonal (mostly pure  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$ ) sample
3. Model the residual  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  contribution to the signal sample using  $F_B$  and  $\eta_B$ .

- **Step #3** : Measure prompt  $J/\psi$  polarization

1. Fit  $\cos\theta^*$  distribution at reconstruction level for transverse and longitudinal components
2. Extrapolate back to generator level using the measured acceptances ( $\varepsilon_T$  and  $\varepsilon_L$ ).

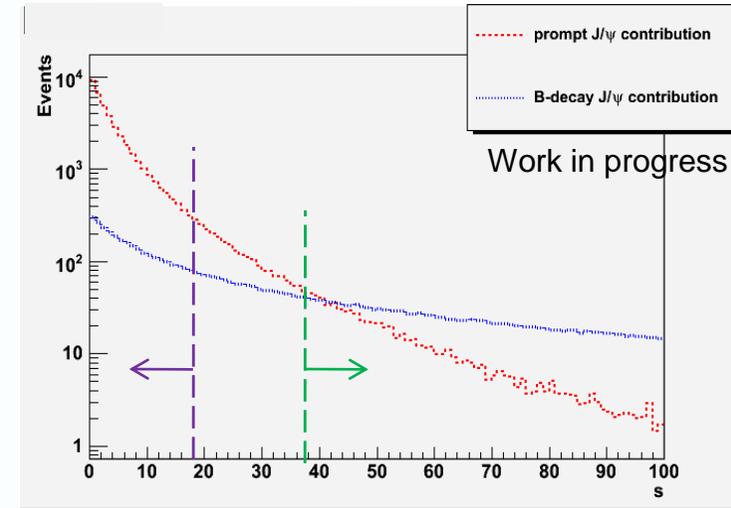


# Selecting Prompt and $B \rightarrow J/\psi$ Samples



The squared sum of the impact parameter significance :

$$S \equiv \left( \frac{d_0(\mu^+)}{\sigma_{d_0(\mu^+)}} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{d_0(\mu^-)}{\sigma_{d_0(\mu^-)}} \right)^2$$



Prompt  $J/\psi$  sample ( $S < 18$ ) :

$$\text{prompt } J/\psi \text{ selection efficiency} = \frac{N_P(S < S_P)}{N_P} = 93.0\%$$

$$\text{prompt } J/\psi \text{ purity} = \frac{N_P(S < S_P)}{N_P(S < S_P) + N_B(S < S_P)} = 93.6\%$$

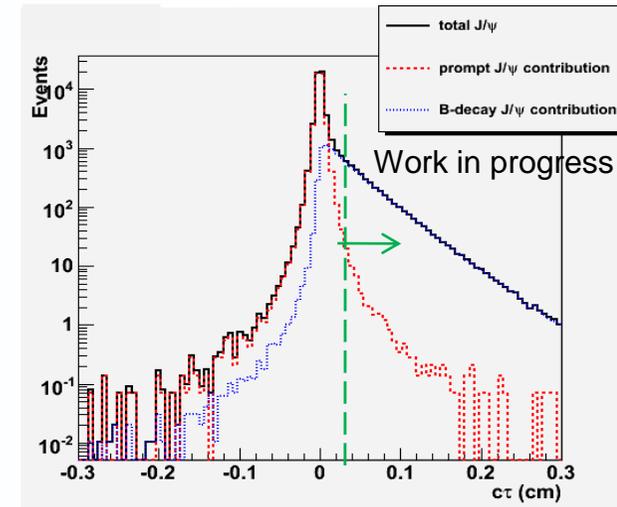
$B \rightarrow J/\psi$  sample ( $S > 38, c\tau > 0.03$ ) :

B - decay  $J/\psi$  selection efficiency = 89.0%

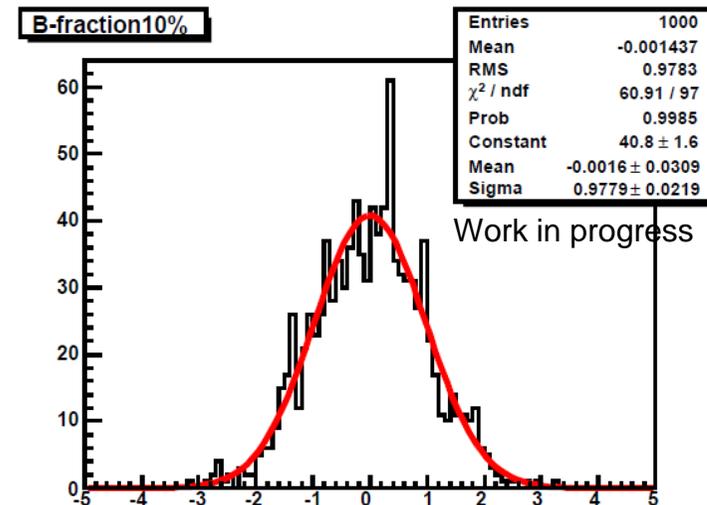
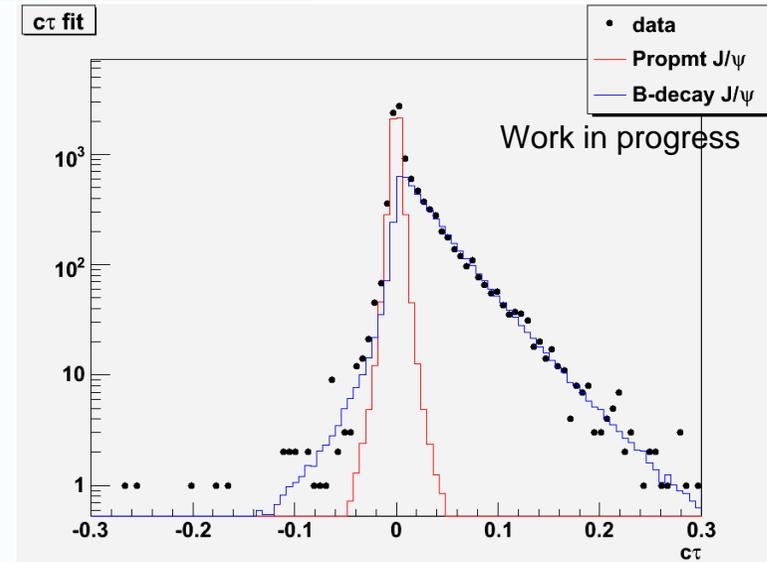
B - decay  $J/\psi$  purity = 99.0%

Pseudo-proper decay length :

$$c\tau \equiv \frac{L_{xy}^{J/\psi} \cdot M^{J/\psi}}{p_T^{J/\psi}}$$



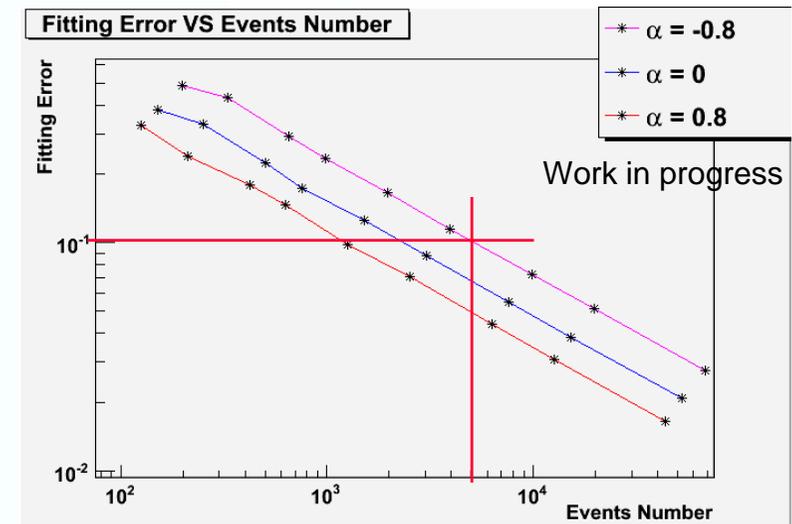
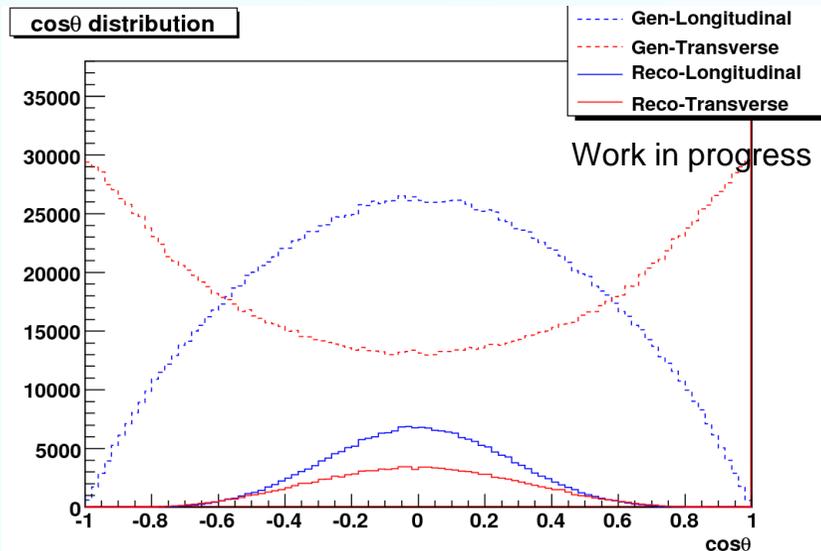
- We fit the  $c\tau$  distribution to extract the  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  fraction
- Each pseudo-experiment has a slightly different fraction since the number of prompt and  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  events for each experiment are independently varied within their Gaussian expectations
- Pseudo experiments indicate that we can fit for  $F_B$  with high precision (expected bias less than 0.0002)



## Preparing fully polarized templates

- For each event in unpolarized sample, calculate the probability for longitudinal polarization based on generator level  $\cos\theta^*$ .
- Assign a random number (0,1). If it is less than the above value, then assign event to fully longitudinal sample; otherwise, assign it to transverse sample.

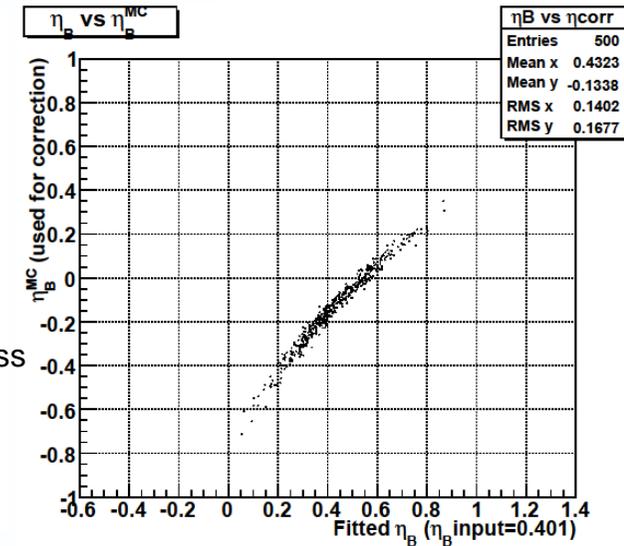
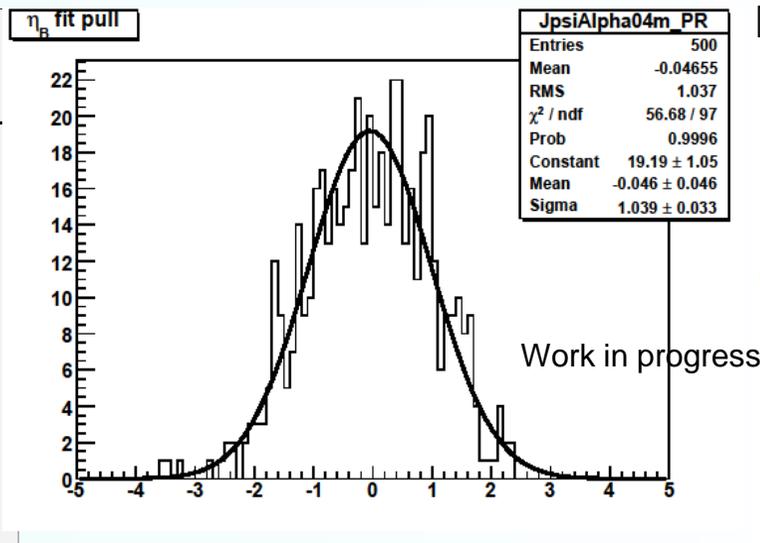
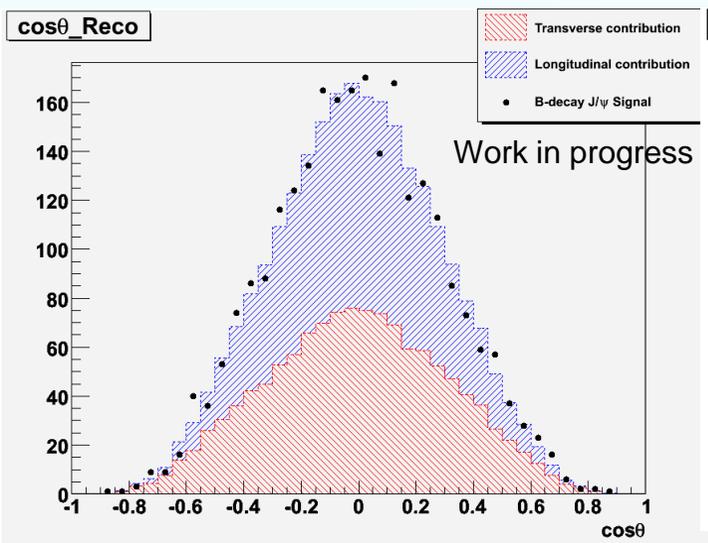
Performing simple polarization fits to signal-only samples of prompt  $J/\psi$  events, we find a  $\sim 5000$  events sample ensures a statistical uncertainty no worse than that for the highest  $p_T$  bin in the CDF run II measurement



- Fit the  $\cos\theta^*$  distribution to get the fraction of longitudinal events ( $\eta_B^R$ )

$$\frac{dN^R}{d\cos\theta^*} = \eta_B^R I_{\alpha=-1}^R(\cos\theta^*) + (1 - \eta_B^R) I_{\alpha=1}^R(\cos\theta^*)$$

- Study fit procedure for extracting  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  polarization via Monte Carlo pseudo-experiments (default  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$   $\alpha = 0.401$ )
- $S$  and  $c\tau$  cuts affect the  $\cos\theta^*$  distribution. The fitted value  $\eta_B^R$  can not be directly used to subtract the  $B$  contribution in the signal sample. Instead, use MC to model residual  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  in the low  $S$  region based on measurement of  $\eta_B$  in high  $S$  region



# Fit for $\eta_{\text{prompt}}$ in low $S$ sample

- Fit reconstructed  $\cos\theta^*$  distribution for fraction of longitudinal events ( $\eta_{\text{fit}}^R$ )

$$\frac{dN^R}{d\cos\theta^*} = \eta_{\text{fit}}^R I_{\alpha=-1}^R(\cos\theta^*) + (1 - \eta_{\text{fit}}^R) I_{\alpha=1}^R(\cos\theta^*)$$

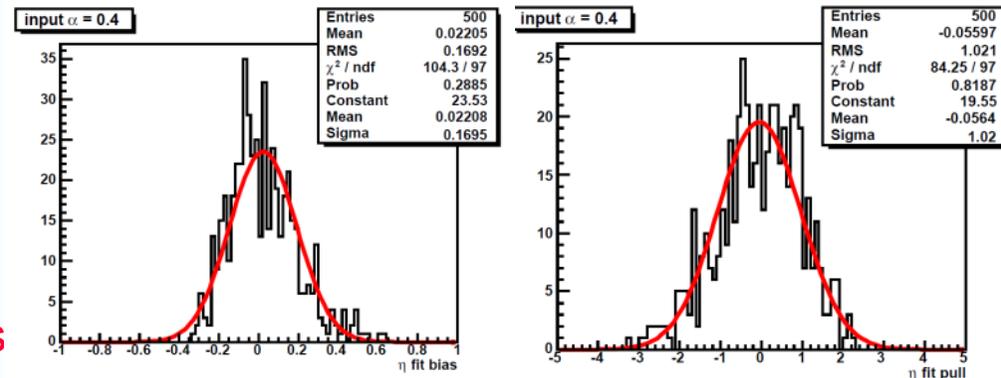
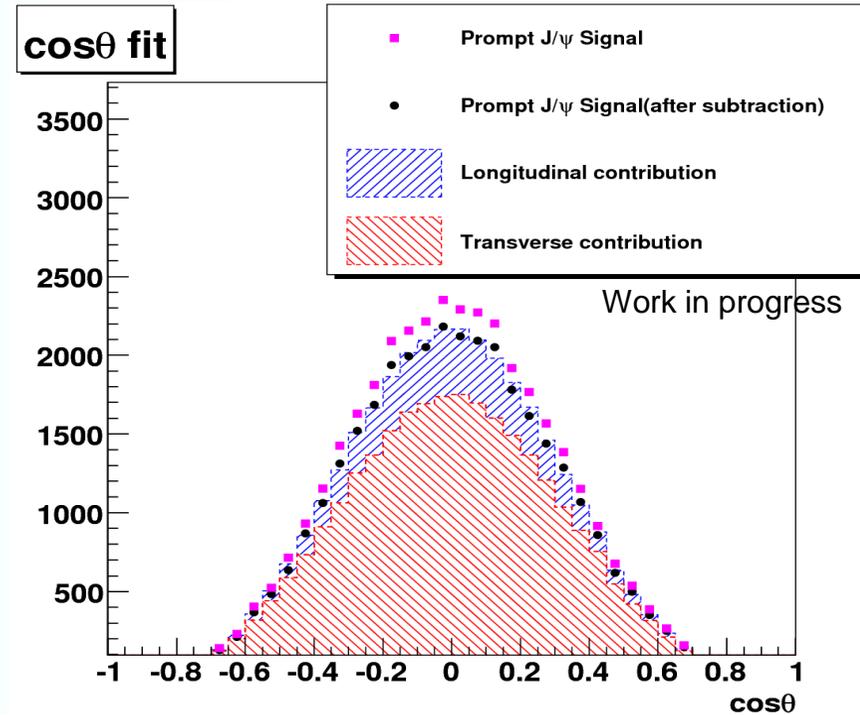
- Correct for  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$  contamination using fitted  $F_B$  and the measured  $\eta_B$  from high  $S$  sample

$$\eta_{\text{prompt}}^R = \frac{\eta_{\text{fit}}^R - F_B \cdot \eta_B^{\text{MC}}}{1 - F_B}$$

- Use measured acceptances for transversely and longitudinally polarized simulated event samples to extrapolate back to the generator level longitudinal event fraction  $\eta_{\text{prompt}}$

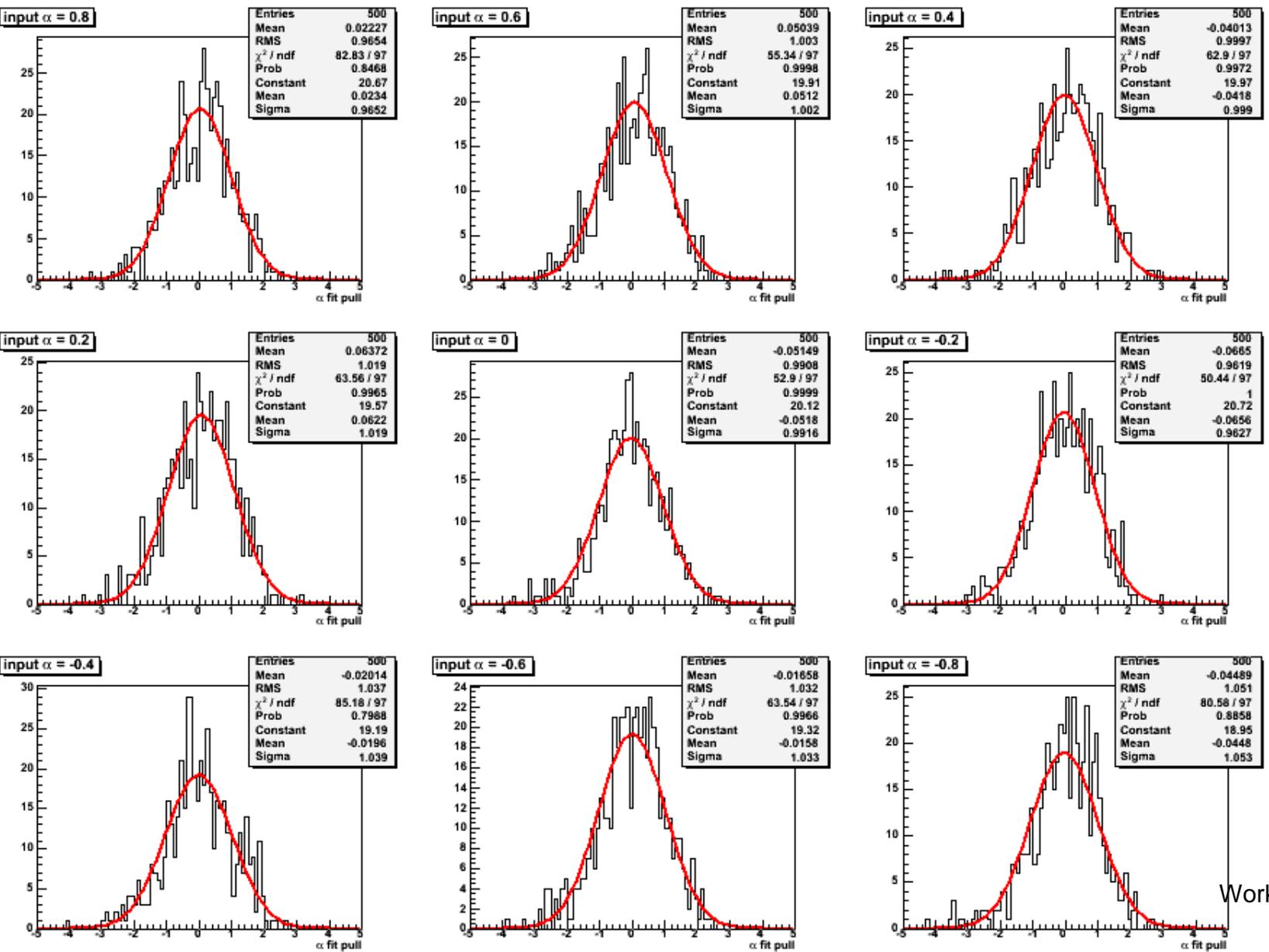
$$\eta_{\text{prompt}} = \frac{1}{1 + \left( \frac{1}{\eta_{\text{prompt}}^R} - 1 \right) \left( \frac{\varepsilon_L}{\varepsilon_T} \right)}$$

← Measured from private samples



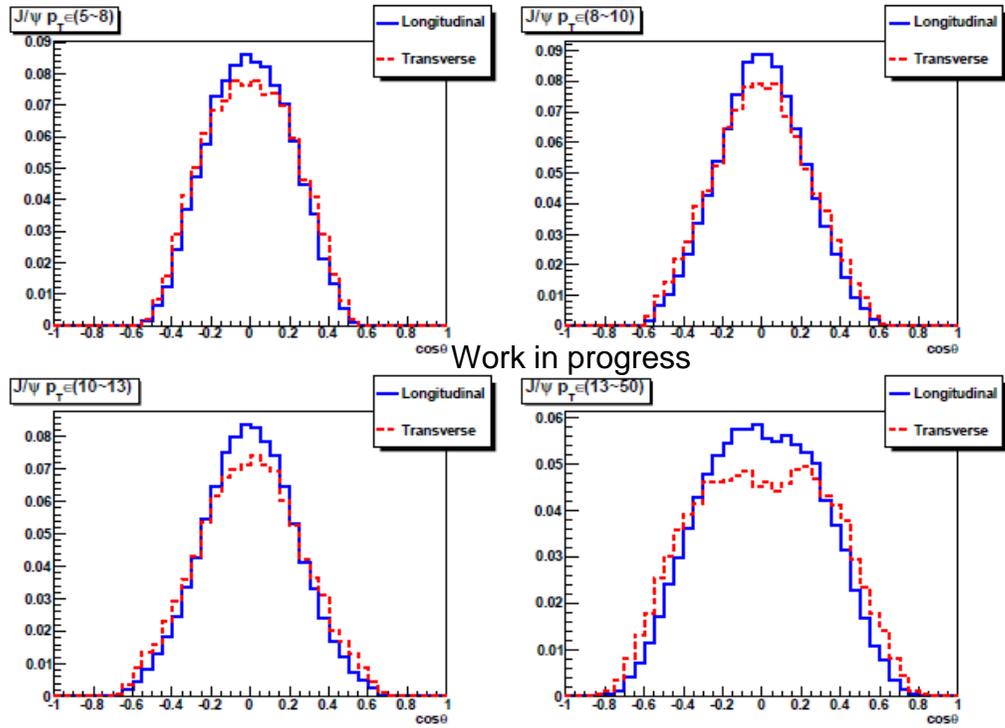
$\alpha_{\text{prompt}}$  fit pull distributions with 9 different hypothetical input  $\alpha_{\text{prompt}}$  values ranging from  $-1$  to  $1$  in steps of  $0.2$

Observe small measurement bias and good residuals

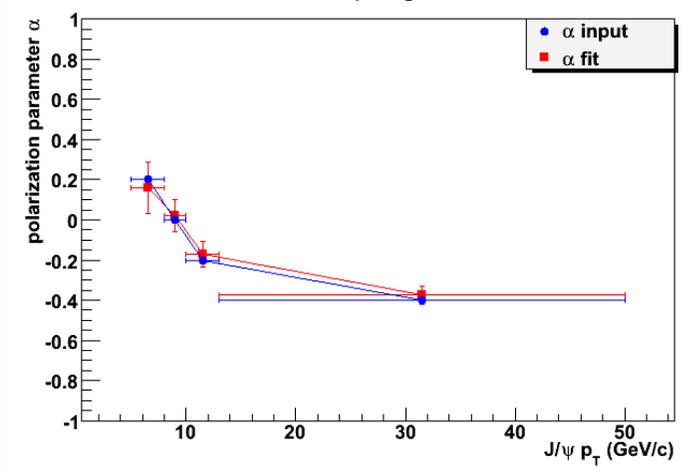
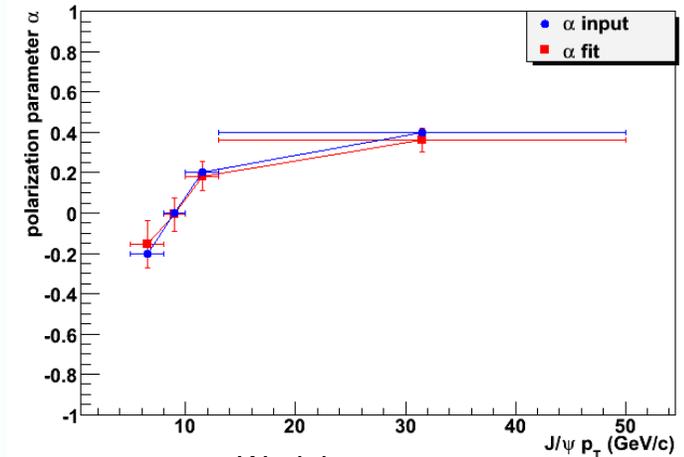


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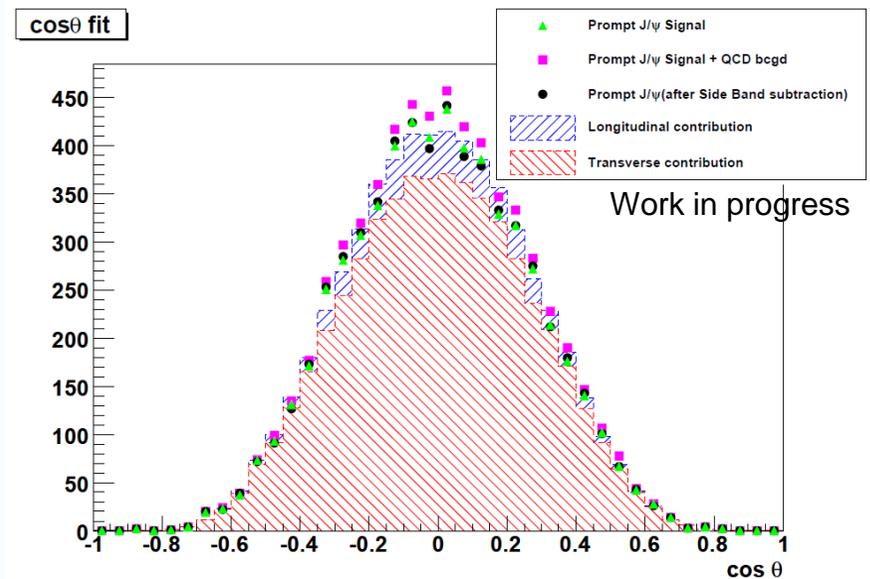
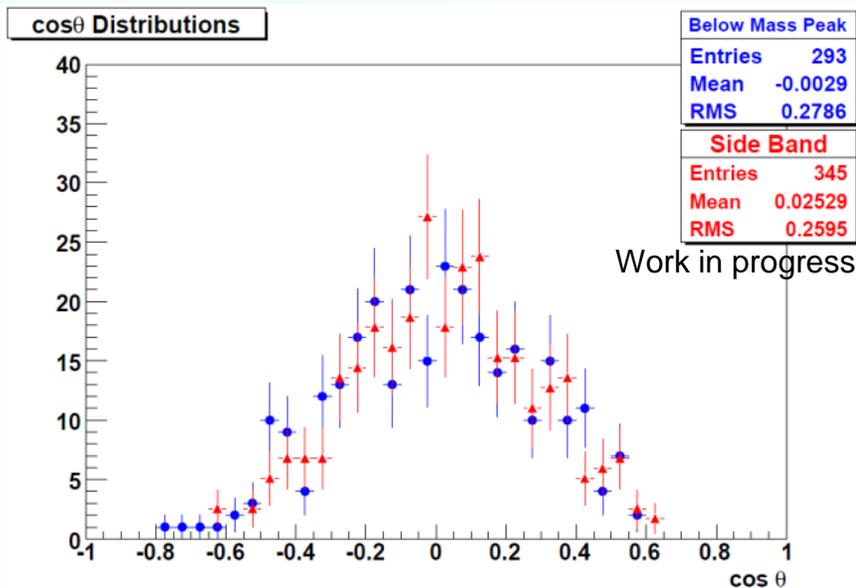
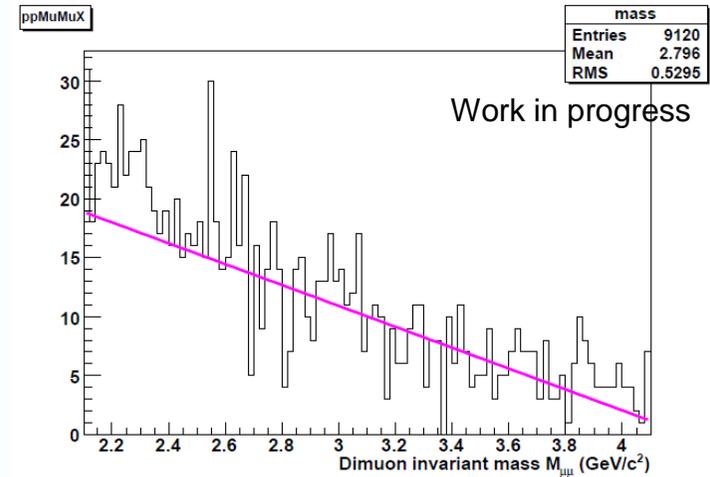
To test the framework for measuring the  $J/\psi$  polarization in different  $J/\psi$   $p_T$  bins, we divide the signal sample into four different  $p_T$  ranges with similar statistics. Fully polarized templates in these  $p_T$  bins are shown below:



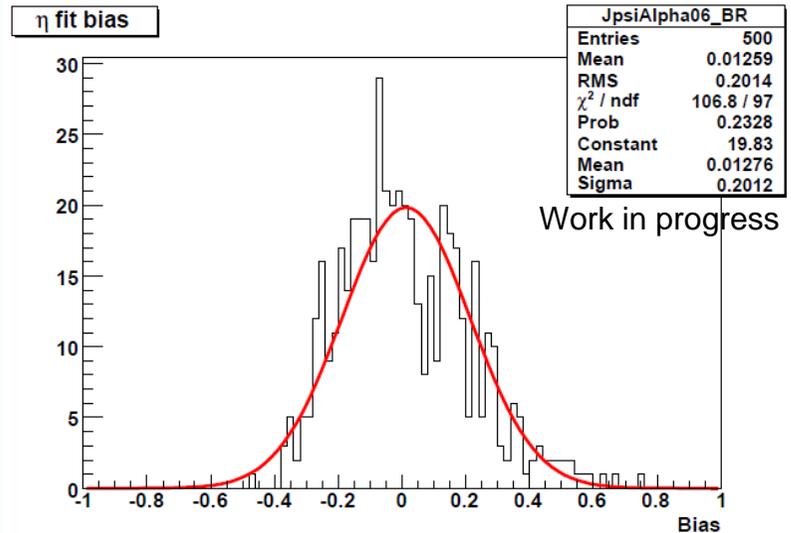
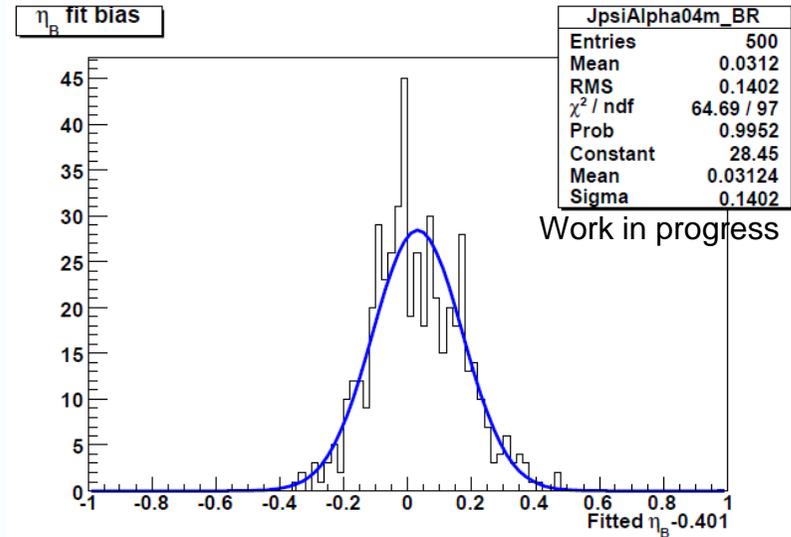
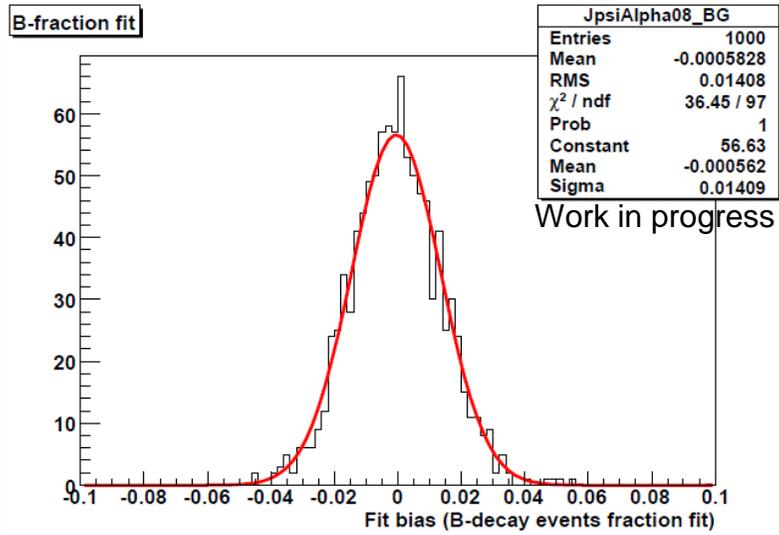
Results from sample pseudo-experiments:



- We generated a private ppMuMuX sample corresponding to  $0.5 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ . There are 303743 events in this sample. After trigger and all necessary cuts, 308 events are found within the  $J/\psi$  invariant mass window.
- Observe good agreement in  $\cos\theta^*$  shapes obtained from signal and sideband regions. The QCD background is modeled using shape extracted from sideband region normalized to estimated contribution in signal region from linear fit between low and high sideband regions.



- 500 pseudo-experiment for the 3 main fits ( $c\tau$  fit,  $\eta_B$  fit and  $\eta$  fit) incorporating QCD background event contributions.





# Systematic Uncertainty



Three main aspects of systematic uncertainties are evaluated in this analysis, which are acceptance measurement, fitting algorithm, and  $b$ -decay background contamination.

- The absolute acceptance and luminosity does not affect the polarization measurement because the factor used in this analysis is the ratio of longitudinal and transverse acceptance  $\varepsilon_L/\varepsilon_T$
- The  $p_T$  spectrums of the templates are varied by  $\pm 1\sigma$  which produces the changes on  $\alpha$  in the order of 0.001
- The  $\cos\theta^*$  binning are varied from 0.05 to 0.10, and no change in the polarization is observed
- Raising the muon  $p_T$  cut reduces the discrimination between transverse and longitudinal polarizations and thus enlarges the fitting uncertainty. By varying the muon  $p_T$  cut from 1.5 to 3 GeV/c, the systematic due to this effect is limited to less than 0.005
- The polarization of  $J/\psi$  from  $b$ -decay has been measured precisely by the BaBar experiment. The value measured by CDF is larger than it by  $1.2\sigma$ . Due to the modest disagreement, no further systematic uncertainty is assigned to the  $b$ -decay polarization

- After applying all the uncertainties discussed in the previous page onto the pseudo-experiments in different  $p_T$  bin, the final results are summarized in the table below.
- The precision of the measurement is estimated about  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{stat}} < 0.13$ ,  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{syst}} < 0.01$  for the worst situation. The systematic uncertainty is about one order of magnitude lower than the size of the statistical uncertainties for the collected data up to  $50 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ .

	$5 < p_T < 8 \text{ GeV}/c$	$8 < p_T < 10 \text{ GeV}/c$	$10 < p_T < 13 \text{ GeV}/c$	$13 < p_T < 50 \text{ GeV}/c$
$\alpha = 0.4$				$0.3623 \pm 0.0579 \pm 0.0093$
$\alpha = 0.2$	$0.1606 \pm 0.1279(\text{stat}) \pm 0.0085(\text{syst})$		$0.1823 \pm 0.0719 \pm 0.0075$	
$\alpha = 0.0$	$-0.0131 \pm 0.1216 \pm 0.0081$	$-0.0185 \pm 0.0824 \pm 0.0075$	$0.0110 \pm 0.0681 \pm 0.0070$	$0.0223 \pm 0.0519 \pm 0.0070$
$\alpha = -0.2$	$-0.1554 \pm 0.1166 \pm 0.0080$		$-0.1719 \pm 0.0637 \pm 0.0069$	
$\alpha = -0.4$				$-0.3748 \pm 0.0451 \pm 0.0067$



# Summary

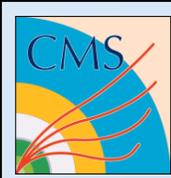


- We measure  $J/\psi$  polarization by fitting reconstructed  $\cos\theta^*$  distribution to longitudinal and transverse templates built from an unpolarized MC sample.
- We generate Monte Carlo pseudo-experiments to study potential biases in the fit procedure used to extract the polarization parameter. We observe reliable pull distributions and no significant measurement biases
- These measurements are expected to provide some insight into the current observed disagreement between the NRQCD theory and recent CDF  $J/\psi$  polarization measurements.

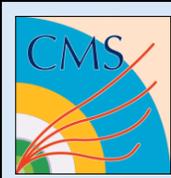


Thank you!!

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# Back up



# Relations of some Polarization Parameters



Polarization sample	Helicity	$\eta$	$\alpha$	$\theta$	$\cos\theta$	$I_\alpha$
fully transverse	“+1”, “-1”	0	1	tend to 0, or $\pi$	tend to 1, or -1	$I_{T(\alpha=1)} = \frac{3}{8}(1 + \cos^2 \theta)$
transverse	“+1”, “-1”, “0” (more “+1”, “-1”)	(0, 1/3)	(0, 1)			$\eta I_L + (1 - \eta) I_T$
unpolarized	“+1”, “-1”, “0” (equal fraction)	1/3	0	uniform distribution in $(0, \pi)$	uniform distribution in $(-1, 1)$	constant 1/2
longitudinal	“+1”, “-1”, “0” (more “0”)	(1/3, 1)	(-1, 0)			$\eta I_L + (1 - \eta) I_T$
fully longitudinal	“0”	1	-1	tend to $\pi/2$	tend to 0	$I_{L(\alpha=-1)} = \frac{3}{4}(1 - \cos^2 \theta)$

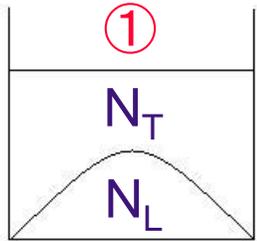
- $J/\psi$  acceptances and the number of expected events per  $\text{pb}^{-1}$  of data for different  $J/\psi$   $p_T$  bins

$J/\psi$ $p_T$ GeV/c	Generator level events	Reco eff	Reconstrion level events	HLT di-muon trigger efficiency	Events passing trigger
all	127389	33.7	42975	37.4	16073
5-6	25601	17.2	4402	4.04	178
6-7	25903	23.7	6144	15.9	977
7-8	19885	31.8	6327	28.7	1816
8-9	14002	39.8	5573	39.3	2190
...	...	...	...	...	...
17-20	1449	74.8	1083	66.2	717
20-24	783	77.1	604	66.1	399
24-30	403	79.5	320	64.1	205
30-50	203	81.0	165	54.2	89

# Templates Construction with Generator Level Cuts

Essence of the analysis :  
calculate  $N_T / N_L$

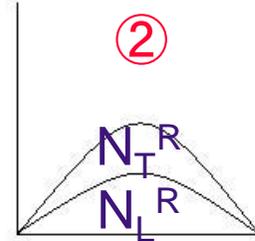
What we can measure  
from data :  $N_T^R / N_L^R$



Reconstruct:

$$N_T^R = \epsilon_T \cdot N_T$$

$$N_L^R = \epsilon_L \cdot N_L$$



Private sample : no muon  
 $p_T$  cut at generator level

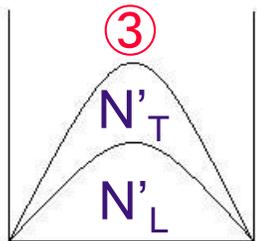
Reconstruction level

Conclusion:

The generator level  $p_T$  cut doesn't affect template shapes at reconstruction level.

So, we can also use the official samples to produce reconstruction level fitting templates.

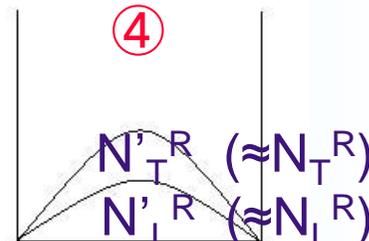
However, we still need a "no muon  $p_T$  cut" sample to calculate  $\epsilon_L$  and  $\epsilon_T$



Reconstruct:

$$N_T'^R = \epsilon_T' \cdot N_T'$$

$$N_L'^R = \epsilon_L' \cdot N_L'$$

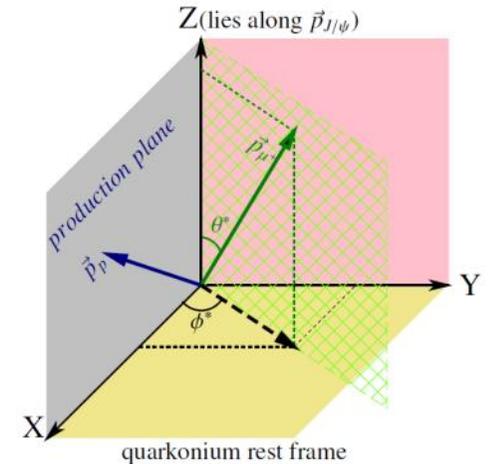


Official sample : muon  $p_T >$   
2.5 GeV/c at generator level

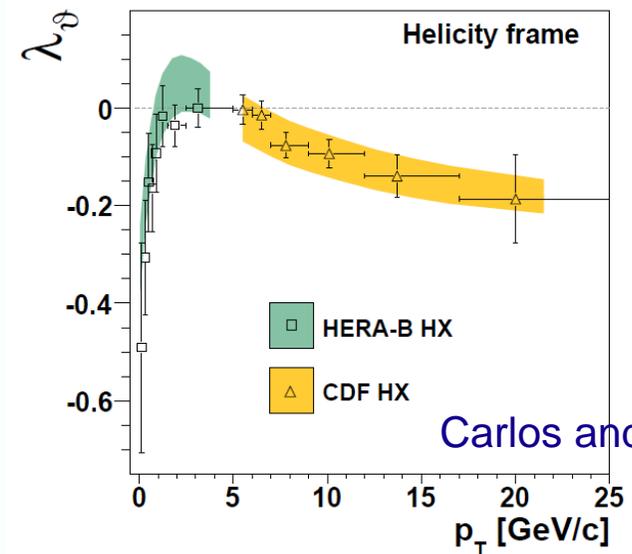
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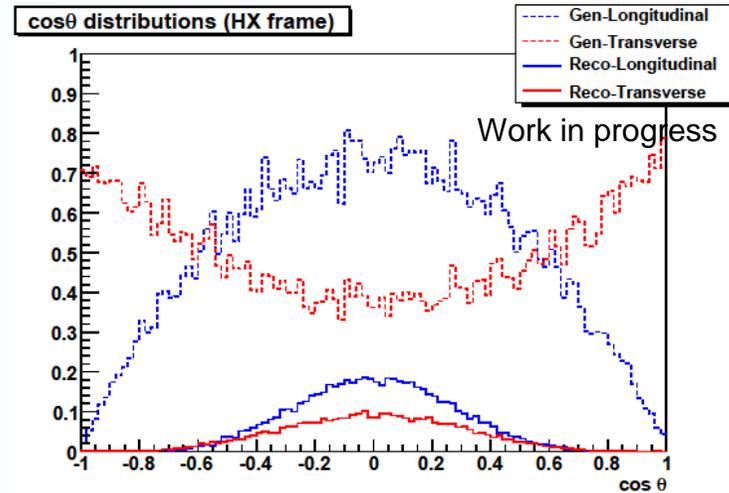
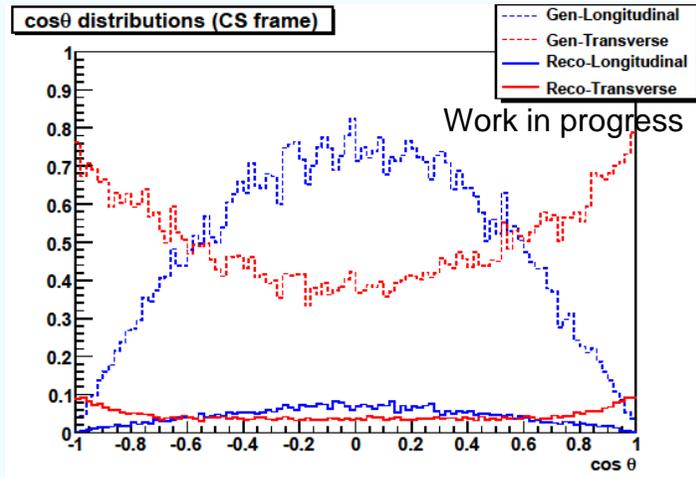
- The polarization analysis is performed by measuring the two-body angular decay distribution which depends on the polarization frame.

$$\frac{dN}{d(\cos\theta^*)d\phi^*} \propto 1 + \lambda_{\theta^*} \cos^2\theta^* + \lambda_{\phi^*} \sin^2\theta^* \cos(2\phi^*) + \lambda_{\theta^*\phi^*} \sin(2\theta^*) \cos\phi^*$$



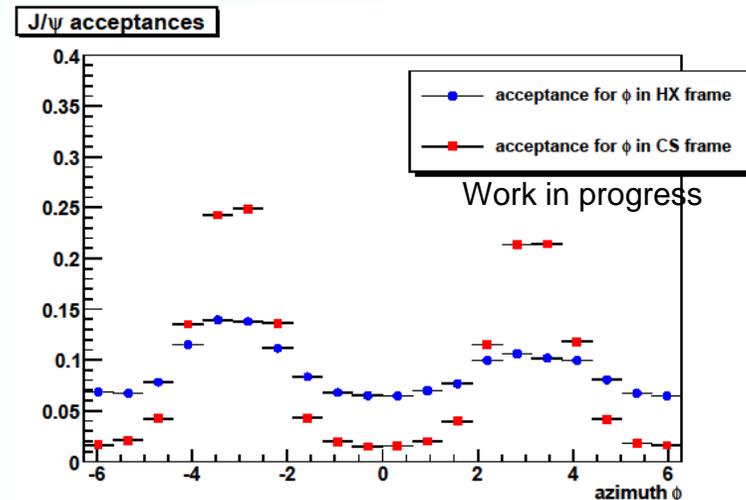
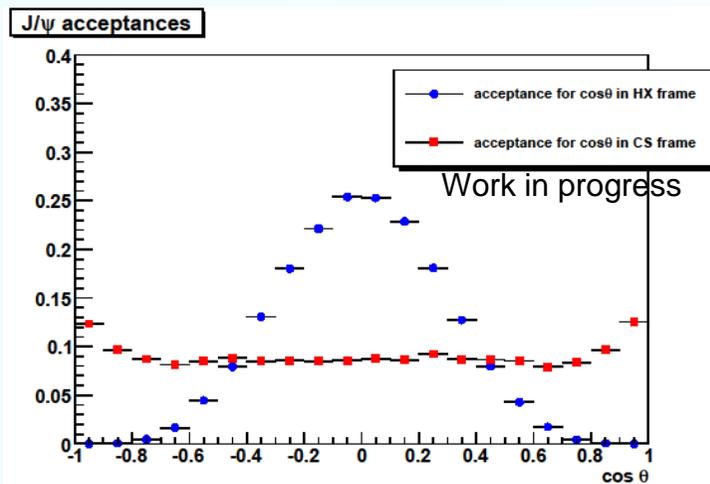
- Several definitions of the polarization axis exist. For different frames the polarization parameter that one measures is different.
- If one assumes that the real polarization axis is close to the Collins-Soper (CS) axis and the CS axis is more or less orthogonal to the standard helicity (HX) axis, then the CDF data is found to agree much better with the NRQCD theory prediction.





Fully polarized templates in CS frame

Fully polarized templates in HX frame



Acceptance as a function of  $\cos\theta^*$

Acceptance as a function of  $\phi^*$

The varying direction of decay lepton ( $\ell^+$ ) in the  $J/\psi$  rest frame is measured wrt a system of axes. Existing definitions of the **polarization axis** ( $z$ ):

- 1) **helicity (HX)**: quarkonium momentum in  $(h_1 + h_2)$  CM frame
- 2) **Gottfried-Jackson (GJ)**: direction of  $h_1$  or  $h_2$  in quarkonium rest frame
- 3) **Collins-Soper (CS)**: bisector between  $h_1$  and  $(-h_2)$  directions in quarkonium rest frame  $\rightarrow$   $\sim$  direction of **relative velocity of colliding partons**

“production” plane

