

How to measure transverse polarization on a symmetric collider

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1 Motivations

Polarization of baryons: important application

Parity violation

Eisler et al.,
PRD108(1957)1353

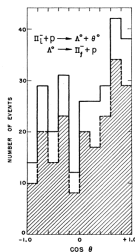
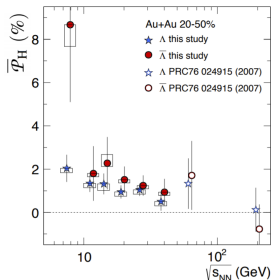
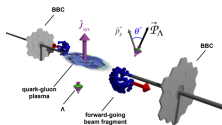


FIG. 1. Distribution in $\cos\theta$ for process (1). The shaded area represents events for production angles in the center-of-mass range 30° - 150° .

$$Dis = 1 + P_\omega \alpha \cos \theta$$

QGP vorticity

STAR,
Nature548(2017),62



top and New Physics

- charged lepton asymmetry
- top polarization
- $t\bar{t}$ spin correlation

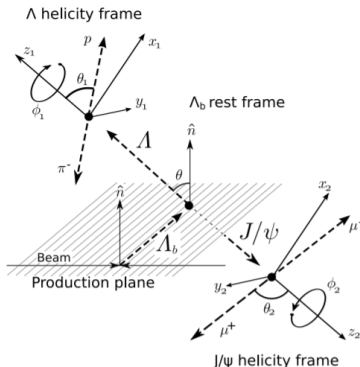
Extra observables in decays of polarized baryons.

polarization measurements of Λ_b : $\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu^+\mu^-)\Lambda(p\pi^+)$

$$w(\Omega, \vec{A}, P) = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^3} \sum_{i=0}^{19} f_{1i}(\vec{A}) f_{2i}(P, \alpha_\Lambda) F_i(\Omega),$$

 TABLE I. The coefficients f_{1i} , f_{2i} and F_i of the probability density function in Eq. (3) [15].

| i | f_{1i} | f_{2i} | F_i |
|-----|--|--------------------|---|
| 0 | $a_+ a_+^* + a_- a_-^* + b_+ b_+^* + b_- b_-^*$ | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | $a_+ a_+^* - a_- a_-^* + b_+ b_+^* - b_- b_-^*$ | P | $\cos \theta$ |
| 2 | $a_+ a_+^* - a_- a_-^* - b_+ b_+^* + b_- b_-^*$ | α_Λ | $\cos \theta_1$ |
| 3 | $a_+ a_+^* + a_- a_-^* - b_+ b_+^* - b_- b_-^*$ | $P \alpha_\Lambda$ | $\cos \theta \cos \theta_1$ |
| 4 | $-a_+ a_+^* - a_- a_-^* + \frac{1}{2} b_+ b_+^* + \frac{1}{2} b_- b_-^*$ | 1 | $\frac{1}{2} (3 \cos^2 \theta_2 - 1)$ |
| 5 | $-a_+ a_+^* + a_- a_-^* + \frac{1}{2} b_+ b_+^* - \frac{1}{2} b_- b_-^*$ | P | $\frac{1}{2} (3 \cos^2 \theta_2 - 1) \cos \theta$ |
| 6 | $-a_+ a_+^* + a_- a_-^* - \frac{1}{2} b_+ b_+^* + \frac{1}{2} b_- b_-^*$ | α_Λ | $\frac{1}{2} (3 \cos^2 \theta_2 - 1) \cos \theta_1$ |
| 7 | $-a_+ a_+^* - a_- a_-^* - \frac{1}{2} b_+ b_+^* - \frac{1}{2} b_- b_-^*$ | $P \alpha_\Lambda$ | $\frac{1}{2} (3 \cos^2 \theta_2 - 1) \cos \theta \cos \theta_1$ |
| 8 | $-3\text{Re}(a_+ a_+^*)$ | $P \alpha_\Lambda$ | $\sin \theta \sin \theta_1 \sin^2 \theta_2 \cos \phi_1$ |
| 9 | $3\text{Im}(a_+ a_+^*)$ | $P \alpha_\Lambda$ | $\sin \theta \sin \theta_1 \sin^2 \theta_2 \sin \phi_1$ |
| 10 | $-\frac{3}{2}\text{Re}(b_+ b_+^*)$ | $P \alpha_\Lambda$ | $\sin \theta \sin \theta_1 \sin^2 \theta_2 \cos(\phi_1 + 2\phi_2)$ |
| 11 | $\frac{3}{2}\text{Im}(b_+ b_+^*)$ | $P \alpha_\Lambda$ | $\sin \theta \sin \theta_1 \sin^2 \theta_2 \sin(\phi_1 + 2\phi_2)$ |
| 12 | $-\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\text{Re}(b_- a_+^* + a_- b_+^*)$ | $P \alpha_\Lambda$ | $\sin \theta \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_2 \cos \phi_2$ |
| 13 | $\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\text{Im}(b_- a_+^* + a_- b_+^*)$ | $P \alpha_\Lambda$ | $\sin \theta \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_2 \sin \phi_2$ |
| 14 | $-\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\text{Re}(b_- a_-^* + a_- b_-^*)$ | $P \alpha_\Lambda$ | $\cos \theta \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_2 \cos(\phi_1 + \phi_2)$ |
| 15 | $\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\text{Im}(b_- a_-^* + a_- b_-^*)$ | $P \alpha_\Lambda$ | $\cos \theta \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_2 \sin(\phi_1 + \phi_2)$ |
| 16 | $-\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\text{Re}(a_- b_+^* - b_- a_+^*)$ | P | $\sin \theta \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_2 \cos \phi_2$ |
| 17 | $-\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\text{Im}(a_- b_+^* - b_- a_+^*)$ | P | $\sin \theta \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_2 \sin \phi_2$ |
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$$P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{CMS}} = 0.00 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.06 \quad \text{PRD97(2018),072010}$$

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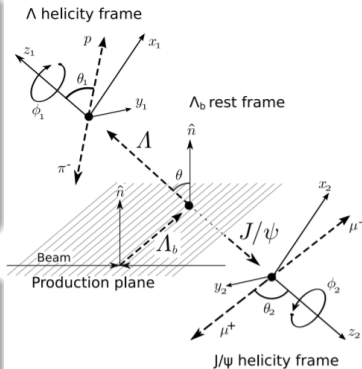
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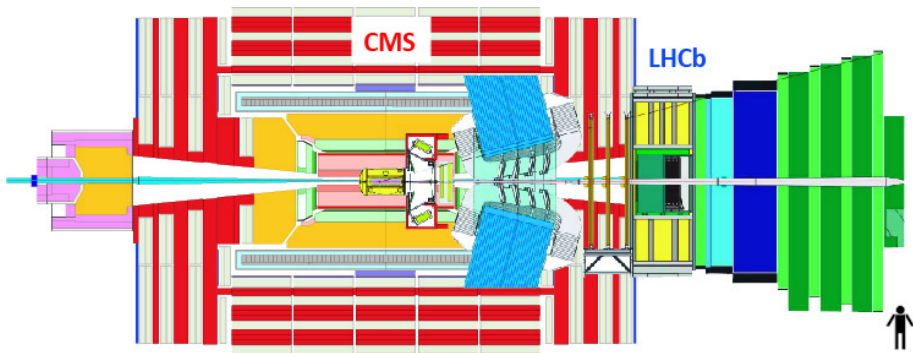
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world average

$$P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{HFLAV}} = 0.03 \pm 0.06$$



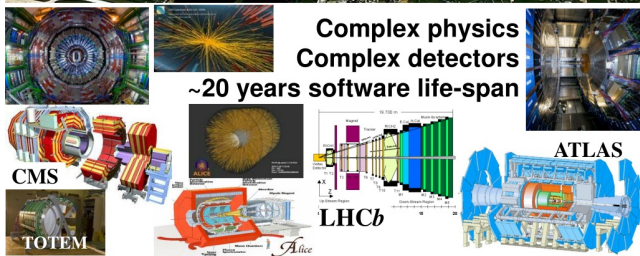
$P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{LHCb}}$ and $P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{CMS}}$ are two different things.



The polarization of Λ_b on LHC is yet to be determined.

2 Transverse Polarization of Λ_b

detectors on LHC



symmetric detector
(CMS ATLAS)

- Parity \mathbb{P}
- rotation of π :
 $\mathbb{R}_z(\pi)$

asymmetric detector
(LHCb)

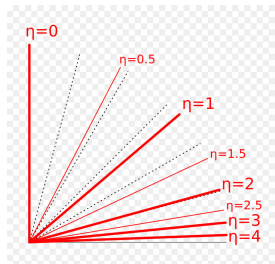
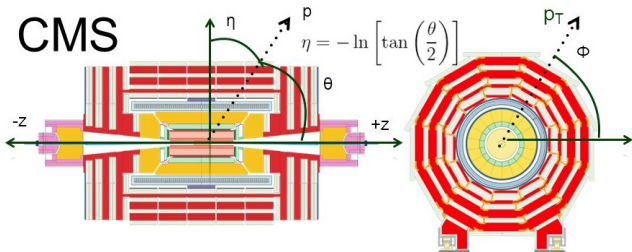
$$\mathbb{R}_z(\pi)\mathbb{P}$$

anti-symmetric
detector (BESIII)

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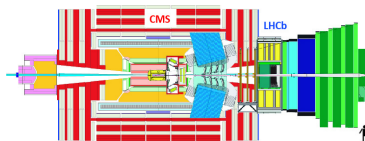
Pseudorapidity-coverage of detectors

Pseudorapidity



Pseudorapidity coverage

- LHCb: 2 ~ 5
- CMS and ATLAS: -2.5 ~ 2.5
- ALICE: -3.4 ~ 5.0



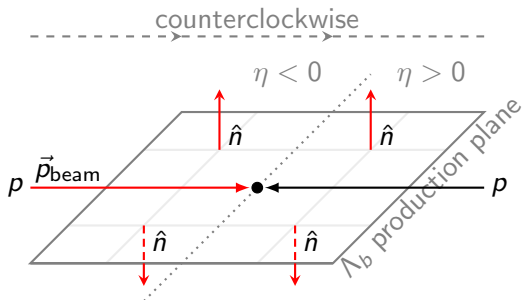
Pseudorapidity-dependence of P_{Λ_b} definition of transverse unit vector(s) \hat{n} 

Figure: definition of \hat{n} : $\hat{n} = \frac{\vec{p}_{\text{beam}} \times \vec{p}_{\Lambda_b}}{|\vec{p}_{\text{beam}} \times \vec{p}_{\Lambda_b}|}$.

Pseudorapidity-dependence of P_{Λ_b}

$P_{\hat{n}}(\eta, p_T) = \vec{P}_{\Lambda_b} \cdot \hat{n}$ can be nonzero, and odd on pseudorapidity η

$$P_{\hat{n}}(\eta, p_T) = -P_{\hat{n}}(-\eta, p_T) \quad (1)$$

Proof of eq. (1)

definition of transverse polarization of Λ_b

Up to an irrelevant overall factor, the transverse polarization of Λ_b for a given pseudorapidity η is defined as

$$P_{\hat{n}}(\eta, p_T) \equiv \sum_{\lambda, X} \lambda |\langle \Lambda_b(\vec{p}_{\Lambda_b}, \lambda) X | \mathcal{T} | p(\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) p(-\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) \rangle|^2$$

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λ : the spin quantization of Λ_b along the \hat{n} direction, $\vec{S} \cdot \hat{n}$.

Proof of eq. (1): adopt symmetry of $R_z(\pi)$

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{\hat{n}}(-\eta, p_T) &= \sum_{\lambda, X} \lambda \left| \langle \Lambda_b(-\vec{p}_{\Lambda_b}, \lambda) X | \mathbb{R}_z^\dagger(\pi) \mathbb{R}_z(\pi) \mathcal{T} | \rho(\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) \rho(-\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) \rangle \right|^2 \\
&= \sum_{\lambda, X} \lambda \left| \langle \Lambda_b(\vec{p}_{\Lambda_b}, -\lambda) X^{\mathbb{R}} | \mathbb{R}_z(\pi) \mathcal{T} | \rho(\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) \rho(-\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) \rangle \right|^2 \\
&= \sum_{\lambda} \lambda \sum_X \left| \langle \Lambda_b(\vec{p}_{\Lambda_b}, -\lambda) X^{\mathbb{R}_z(\pi)} | \mathcal{T} \mathbb{R}_z(\pi) | \rho(\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) \rho(-\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) \rangle \right|^2 \\
&= \sum_{\lambda, X} \lambda \left| \langle \Lambda_b(\vec{p}_{\Lambda_b}, -\lambda) X | \mathcal{T} | \rho(-\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) \rho(\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) \rangle \right|^2 \\
&= - \sum_{\lambda, X} \lambda \left| \langle \Lambda_b(\vec{p}_{\Lambda_b}, \lambda) X | \mathcal{T} | \rho(\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) \rho(-\vec{p}_{\text{beam}}) \rangle \right|^2 \\
&= -P_{\hat{n}}(\eta, p_T)
\end{aligned}$$

Important!

Eq. (1) always holds, regardless the Λ_b production mechanism.

BTW: fraction of secondary production of Λ_b is tiny. (LHCb, PRD108, 072002).

$$\frac{f_{\Xi_b^-} \mathcal{B}(\Xi_b^- \rightarrow \Lambda_b \pi^-)}{f_{\Lambda_b^0}} = (7.3 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-4}.$$

Comparison of $P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{CMS}}$ and $P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{LHCb}}$

$$P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{LHCb}} = \langle P_{\hat{n}} \rangle_{\eta \in (+2, +5)} = \frac{\int_{+2}^{+5} P_{\hat{n}}(\eta) N(\eta) d\eta}{\int_{+2}^{+5} N(\eta) d\eta} \neq 0$$

$$P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{CMS}} = \langle P_{\hat{n}} \rangle_{\eta \in (-2.5, +2.5)} \equiv \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} P_{\hat{n}}(\eta) N(\eta) d\eta}{\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} N(\eta) d\eta} = 0$$

What if $P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{CMS}}$ nozero?

$$P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{CMS}} = 0.00 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.06$$

Measuring $P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{forward}}$ on CMS and ATLAS

Avoid cancellation: transverse pol. of the forward region

$$P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{forward}} = \frac{\int_0^{+\infty} P_{\hat{n}}(\eta) N(\eta) d\eta}{\int_0^{+\infty} N(\eta) d\eta}$$

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adopting all the data

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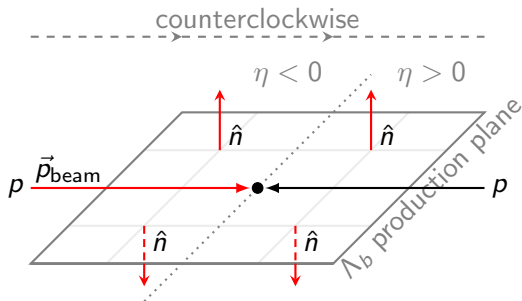
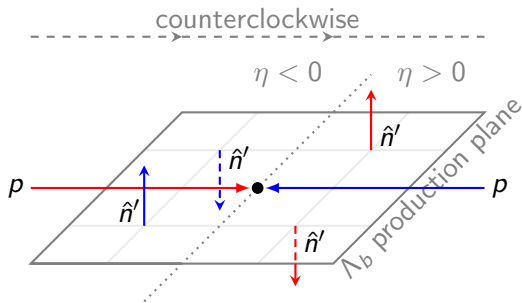
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$$P_{\hat{n}'}(\eta) = P_{\hat{n}'}(-\eta)$$

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Looking forward to the updated Λ_b polarization measurements

$$P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{LHCb}}(2013) = 0.06 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.02$$

$$P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{CMS}}(2018) = 0.00 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.06$$

$$P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{HF LAV}} = 0.03 \pm 0.06$$

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- $P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{LHCb}}(2024) = ?$, with data five times larger: $0. \color{red}{\times \times \times} \pm 0.03$
- $P_{\Lambda_b}^{\text{CMS,ATLAS,forward}} = ?$ in 2025?

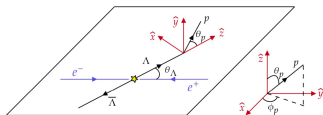
3 Summary and outlook

- The previous measurement of the Λ_b polarization by CMS collaboration should be exactly equal to zero.
- The transverse polarization of Λ_b is yet to be determined.
- The updated LHCb Λ_b transverse polarization measurement is undergo.
- Strongly suggest CMS and ATLAS to perform the measurement of the Λ_b transverse polarization in the forward region of the pseudorapidity.

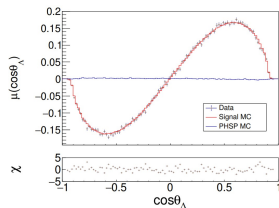
Thanks for your attention!

Backups: Comparison of symmetric and anti-symmetric colliders

- symmetric colliders:
Eq. (1) always holds, regardless that Λ_b is produced through strong or weak interactions.
- pair-production on anti-symmetric colliders:
($e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$) Eq. (1) holds, if the hadrons are produced through strong/EM interactions.



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$$\mu[\cos(\theta_\Lambda)] = (m/N) \sum_{i=1}^{N_k} (n_{1,y}^{(i)} - n_{2,y}^{(i)})$$

$$\mu(\cos \theta_\Lambda) = \frac{\alpha_- - \alpha_+}{2} \frac{1 + \alpha_{J/\psi} \cos^2 \theta_\Lambda}{3 + \alpha_{J/\psi}} P_y(\theta_\Lambda)$$

$$P_y(\cos \theta_\Lambda) = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \alpha_{J/\psi}^2} \sin(\Delta\Phi) \cos \theta_\Lambda \sin \theta_\Lambda}{1 + \alpha_{J/\psi} \cos^2 \theta_\Lambda}$$