

New kinematic weighting algorithm for CP asymmetries in charm decays

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We study CP asymmetries in the following charm decays

$$D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+ \text{ and } D^{*-} \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 \pi^-,$$
$$D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^+ \text{ and } D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+$$

At LHCb we observe:

- CP asymmetry $A_{CP} \rightarrow$ Differences in matter and anti-matter decays
- Production asymmetry $A_P \rightarrow$ Differences in D^{\pm} production
- Detection asymmetry $A_D \rightarrow$ Differences in π_s^{\pm} detection

\rightarrow We mainly focus on CP and detection asymmetries throughout this project



Asymmetries at the LHCb

→ At an experiment our physical observable is the total asymmetry

$$A_{\text{total}} = \frac{A_{CP} + A_D}{1 + A_{CP}A_D} \approx A_{CP} + A_D + \mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$$

where the asymmetries are $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$

$$A_D = \frac{\int d\vec{p} N(\vec{p}) A(\vec{p})}{\int d\vec{p} N(\vec{p})} \rightarrow \text{Integrated detection asymmetry}$$

- $N(\vec{p}) \rightarrow$ Kinematic dependent distribution of π_s
- $A(\vec{p}) \rightarrow$ Momentum dependent detection asymmetry

→ The total asymmetry is

$$A_{\text{total}} = \frac{N_+ - N_-}{N_+ + N_-}$$



Asymmetries at the LHCb

→ We define the total asymmetry difference

$$\Delta A_{\text{total}} = A_{\text{total}}^{KK} - A_{\text{total}}^{\pi\pi} = \Delta A_{CP} + \Delta A_D$$

→ $\Delta A_D = 0$ if $N(\vec{p})$ is equal between the two decay modes

How can we obtain ΔA_{CP} ?

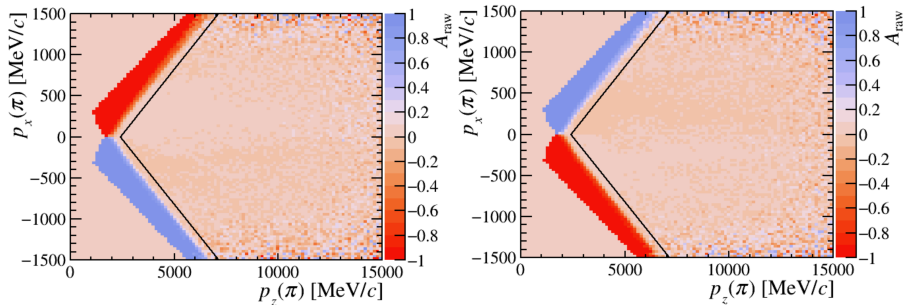
- We need to equalize D^0 kinematic distributions for $D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^+$ and $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+$ decay modes
- The following weighting function allows us to do that

$$Q(\vec{p}_{D^*}, \vec{p}_{\pi_s}) \simeq \frac{\Gamma_{D^0}^{\pi\pi}(\vec{p}_{D^*} - \vec{p}_{\pi_s}) + \Gamma_{\bar{D}^0}^{\pi\pi}(\vec{p}_{D^*} - \vec{p}_{\pi_s})}{\Gamma_{D^0}^{KK}(\vec{p}_{D^*} - \vec{p}_{\pi_s}) + \Gamma_{\bar{D}^0}^{KK}(\vec{p}_{D^*} - \vec{p}_{\pi_s})}, \text{ Ref: [1, 2]}$$

→ This weighting function works if $A_D(\vec{p}) < 0.2$, thus we apply fiducial cuts to remove regions associated with larger detection asymmetries ($\sim 30\%$ of data sample) for analysis performed on real data



Asymmetries at the LHCb



Asymmetries at the LHCb

→ We introduce a new weighting technique Ref: [1, 2]

$$Q(\vec{p}_{D^0}) \simeq \frac{\Gamma_{D^0}^{\pi\pi}(\vec{p}_{D^0}) + \Gamma_{\bar{D}^0}^{\pi\pi}(\vec{p}_{D^0})}{\Gamma_{D^0}^{KK}(\vec{p}_{D^0}) + \Gamma_{\bar{D}^0}^{KK}(\vec{p}_{D^0})} \rightarrow \text{Not affected by } A_D$$

→ $\Gamma_{D^0/\bar{D}^0}^{\pi\pi/KK}(\vec{p}_{D^0/\bar{D}^0})$ for untagged D^0 candidates

→ Even if high $A_D(\vec{p})$ regions are present $\Delta A_D = 0$

→ Now we can use the sample that was previously removed by fiducial cuts ⇒ **More statistics!**

$$\Delta A_{\text{total}} = \Delta A_{CP}$$

However:

- The untagged D^0 candidates were not kept in Run-2
- The untagged D^0 candidates are kept in Run-3, but we do not have enough statistics

→ We use MC samples to test the new weighting technique



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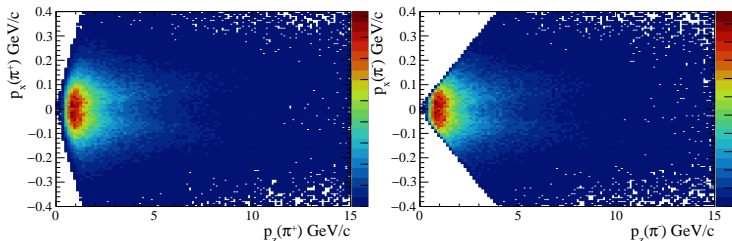


→ We generate data using RapidSim and introduce:

- Different CP asymmetries for $D^0 \rightarrow K^- K^+$ and $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+$ decay modes ($A_{CP}^{KK} = 0.1$, $A_{CP}^{\pi\pi} = 0.2$, $\rightarrow \Delta A_{\text{total}} = -0.1$)
- The same $A_D(\vec{p}) = 100\%$ in specific regions*

→ The integrated detection asymmetries are different for the two samples because the kinematic distributions differ

→ We have around 4.8 ($K^- K^+$ mode) and 4.2 ($\pi^- \pi^+$ mode) million events



* This is an extreme case which is different from what we observe with real data

→ We calculate the weighting function before and after the introduction of the detection asymmetry

- Before: Emulates D^0 not associated with $\pi_s \Rightarrow$ New weighting technique
- After: Emulates D^0 associated with $\pi_s \Rightarrow$ Standard technique

Technique		Weighted	Unweighted
Not associated	ΔA_{total} Deviation (σ)	-0.09845 ± 0.00073 2.12	-0.08303 ± 0.00072 23.6
Associated with π_s	ΔA_{total} Deviation (σ)	-0.09578 ± 0.00073 5.78	

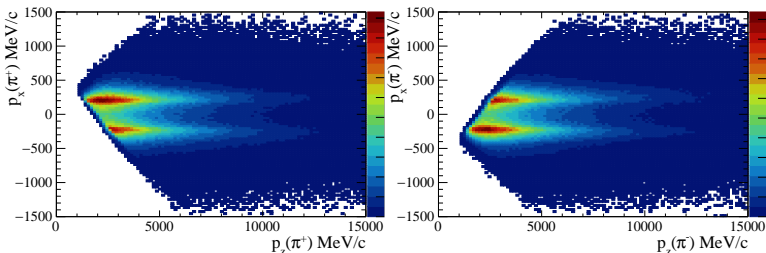
- The unweighted calculation is biased as expected $\rightarrow \Delta A_D \neq 0$
- The weighting function with π_s association yields a biased result
- The new weighting technique (not affected by large $A_D(\vec{p})$) allows us to keep events associated with large $A_D(\vec{p}) \Rightarrow$ **More statistics!**



Particle Gun

→ We use Particle Gun data for a more realistic scenario.

- We do not introduce CP asymmetry $\Delta A_{CP} = 0$
- The detection asymmetry is the one expected in data



→ The new weighting technique should yield $\Delta A_{\text{total}} = 0$



Technique		Weighted	Unweighted
Not associated	ΔA_{total} Deviation (σ)	-0.000084 ± 0.000262 0.32	-0.000015 ± 0.000262 0.057
Associated with π_s	ΔA_{total} Deviation (σ)	-0.000036 ± 0.000262 0.14	

- The effect of A_D is small
- With these statistics we do not see any improvement
- The measurements seems unbiased even without any weighting applied

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RapidSim:

- The old weighting function reduces the deviation of ΔA_{total} , however it still introduces bias to our results
- The new weighting technique reduces the deviation of ΔA_{total} and allows us to keep all events, thus using higher statistics \Rightarrow **More effective**

Particle Gun:

- The effect of ΔA_D is small
- With this statistics, we do not see any significant improvement

Next steps:

- Look at Run-3 data



Thank you for your attention!
Questions?

