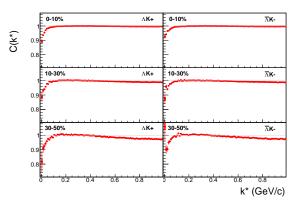
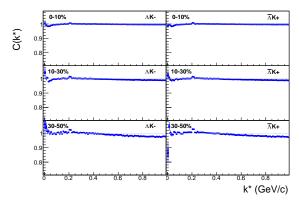
0.1 Typical Correlation Function Construction

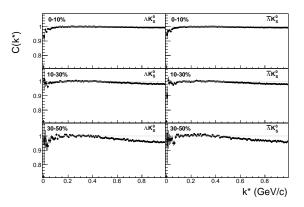
Typically, in practice, $B(k^*)$ is obtained by forming mixed-event pairs, i.e. particles from a given event are paired with particles from $N_{mix}(=5)$ other events, and these pairs are then binned in k^* . In forming the background distribution, it is important to mix only similar events; mixing events with different phase-spaces can lead to artificial signals in the correlation function. Therefore, in this analysis, we mix events with primary vertices within 2 cm and centralities within 5% of each other. Also note, a vertex correction is also applied to each event, which essentially recenters the the primary vertices to z = 0.

Figures 1a, 1b, 1c show the correlation functions for all centalities studied for $\Lambda K^+(\bar{\Lambda} K^-)$, $\Lambda K^-(\bar{\Lambda} K^+)$, and $\Lambda(\bar{\Lambda})K^0_S$, respectively. All were normalized in the range $0.32 < k^* < 0.4$ GeV/c.





- (a) ΛK^+ (left) and $\bar{\Lambda} K^-$ (right) correlations for 0-10% (top), 10-30%(middle), and 30-50%(bottom) centralities.
- (b) ΛK^- (left) and $\bar{\Lambda} K^+$ (right) correlations for 0-10% (top), 10-30%(middle), and 30-50%(bottom) centralities. The peak at $k^*\approx 0.2$ GeV/c is due to the Ω^- resonance.



(c) ΛK_S^0 (left) and $\bar{\Lambda} K_S^0$ (right) correlations for 0-10% (top), 10-30%(middle), and 30-50%(bottom) centralities.

Fig. 1: ΛK and $\bar{\Lambda} \bar{K}$ correlation functions for 0-10%, 10-30%, and 30-50% centralities. The lines represent the statistical errors, while the boxes represent the systematic errors.

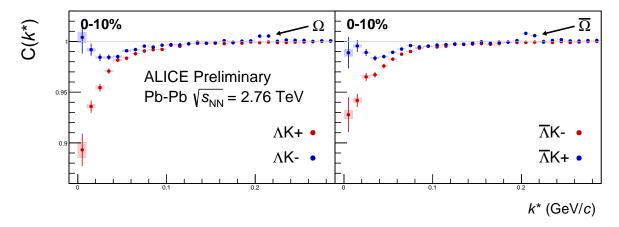


Fig. 2: Correlation Functions: ΛK^+ vs ΛK^- ($\bar{\Lambda} K^+$ vs $\bar{\Lambda} K^-$) for 0-10% centrality. The peak in ΛK^- ($\bar{\Lambda} K^+$) at $k^* \approx 0.2$ GeV/c is due to the Ω^- resonance. The lines represent the statistical errors. (NOTE: This figure is slightly dated, and a new one will be generated which includes both statistical and systematic uncertainties)