Measurement of Beam Polarization at an e^+e^- B-Factory with New Tau Polarimetry Technique

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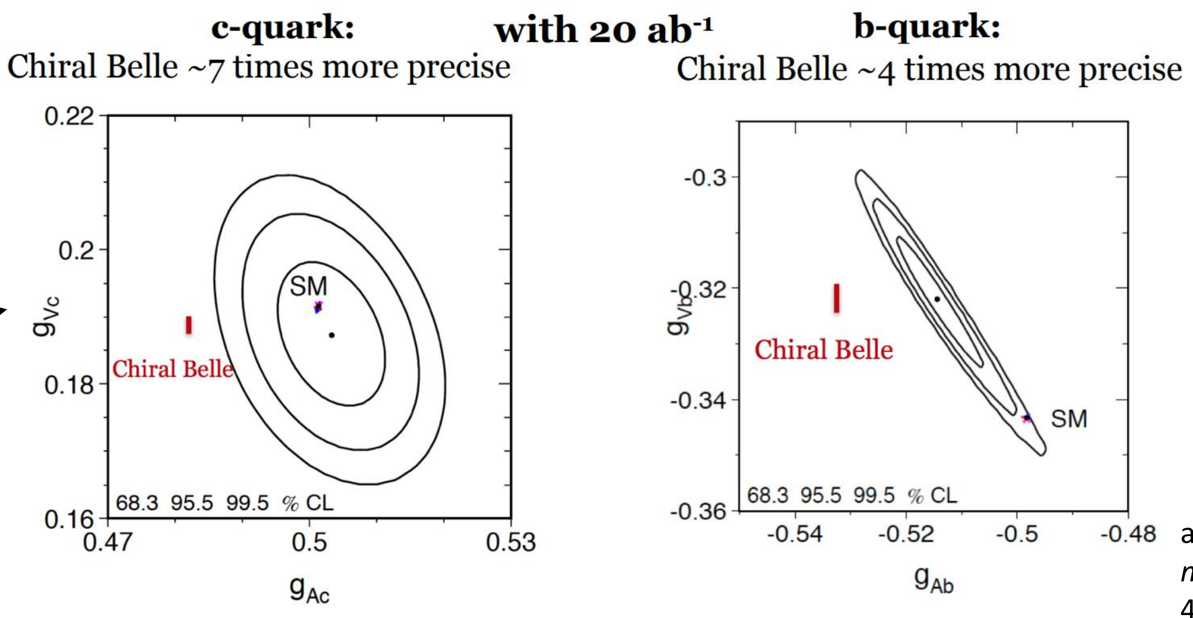
Red bars show expected +/- 1 sigma uncertainty. Position arbitrary.



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Fermion	*Standard Model* g_V^f **SM**	*World Average* g_V^f **WA**	*Chiral Belle 40ab[-1]* $\sigma\left(g_V^f\right)$ **CB**
b-quark	-0.3437±0.0001	-0.3220 ±0.0077	0.0020(4x improvement)
c-quark	0.1920±0.0002	0.1873 ±0.0070	0.0010(7x improvement)
Tau	-0.0371±0.0003	-0.0366 ±0.0010	0.0008
Muon	-0.0371±0.0003	-0.03667±0.0023	0.0005(4x improvement)
Electron	-0.0371±0.0003	-0.03816±0.00047	0.0006

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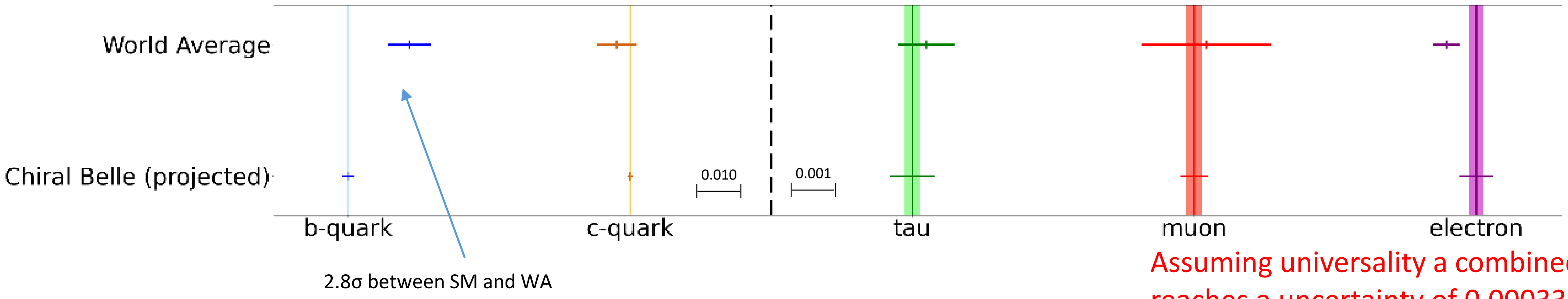
Visualization of Chiral Belle projections of g_V^f vs World Averages and Standard Model(vertical line) From Slide 3



Assuming universality a combined lepton analysis reaches a uncertainty of $0.00033_{stat} \pm 0.00018_{sys}$ compared to a SM uncertainty of 0.0003

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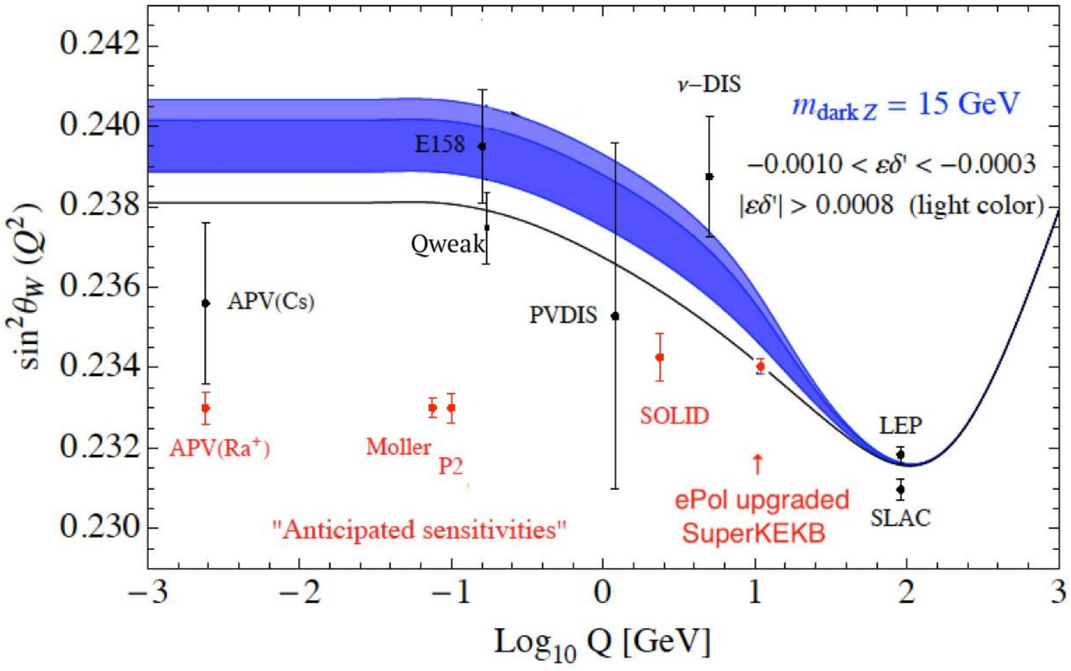

Red bars show expected sensitivity of future experiments. position arbitrary.

Chiral Belle expects:
$\sigma(\sin^2\theta_W) \approx 0.0002$ (40 ab^{-1})

adapted from figure 3 of H. Davoudiasl, H.S. Lee and W.J. Marciano, Phys.Rev.D 92(5),2015

Beam Polarization Motivation

- Recent theory work suggests a measurement of the tau magnetic moment could be sensitive to new physics[1]
- Results from Fermilab see a large deviation from the Standard Model in g-2 for muons

$$a_\mu^{\mathrm{exp}} - a_\mu^{\mathrm{SM}} = (251 \pm 59) \times 10^{-11} [4.2\sigma]$$

from April 2021 g-2 publication[2]

- Under a Minimal Flavour Violation assumption the anomaly scales with the square of the lepton masses:

$$a_\tau^{\mathrm{BSM}} \sim a_\mu^{\mathrm{BSM}} \left(\frac{m_\tau}{m_\mu}\right)^2 \sim 10^{-6}$$

- Current bound for tau is $O(10^{-2})$
- Chiral Belle reach with $50 ab^{-1}$ is $O(10^{-5})$
- Begins to probe interesting parameter space

[1] A. Crivellin, M.Hoferichter, M. Roney, arXiv:2111.10378 (2021)
[2] T.Albahri *et al.* (Muon g-2 Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D, **103**, 072002 (2021)

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For these future measurements we expect the dominant systematic uncertainty to be the precision with which the average beam polarization, <P>, is known

Compton polarimeters, have an uncertainty associated with modelling the spin transport from the polarimeter to the interaction point (IP)

By using Tau Polarimetry we can extract the average beam polarization directly from the data at the IP

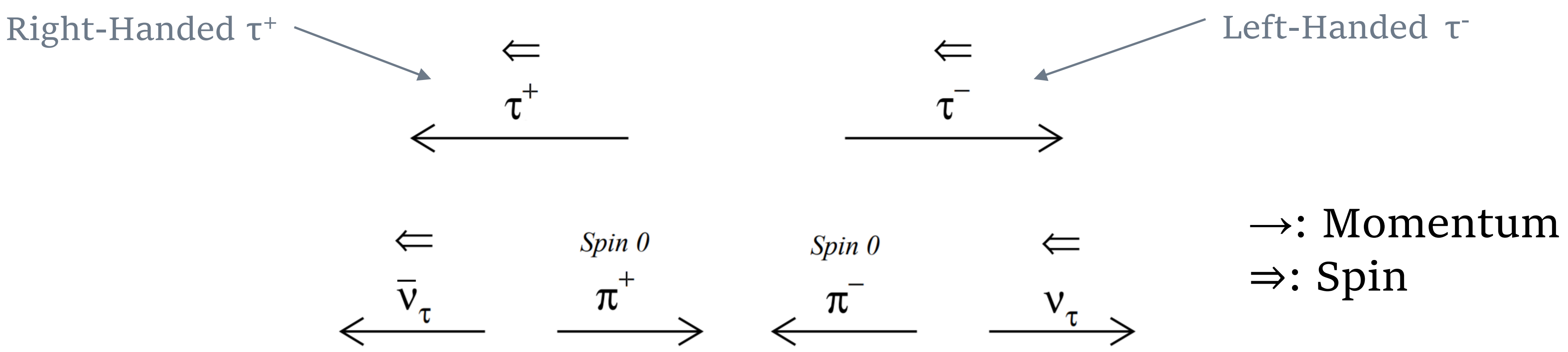
Tau Polarimetry

- The polarization of tau's (P_τ) produced in e^+e^- collisions at 10.58 GeV is related to the electron beam polarization (P_e) through:

$$P_{\tau^-} = P_e \frac{\cos\theta}{1+\cos^2\theta} - \frac{8G_F s g_V^\tau}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha}\left(g_A^\tau \frac{\overrightarrow{|p|}}{p^0} + 2g_A^e \frac{\cos\theta}{1+\cos^2\theta}\right)$$

Note: cosθ defined as the polar angle of the τ^- with respect to the electron beam

- Tau polarization information can be extracted from the kinematics of the tau decay



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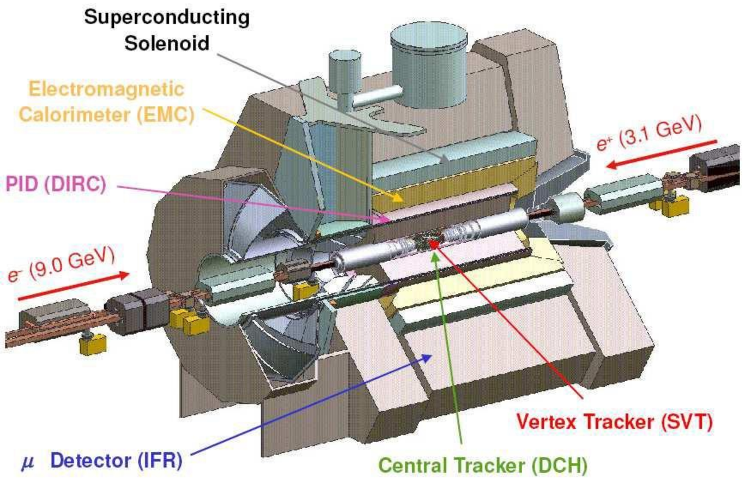
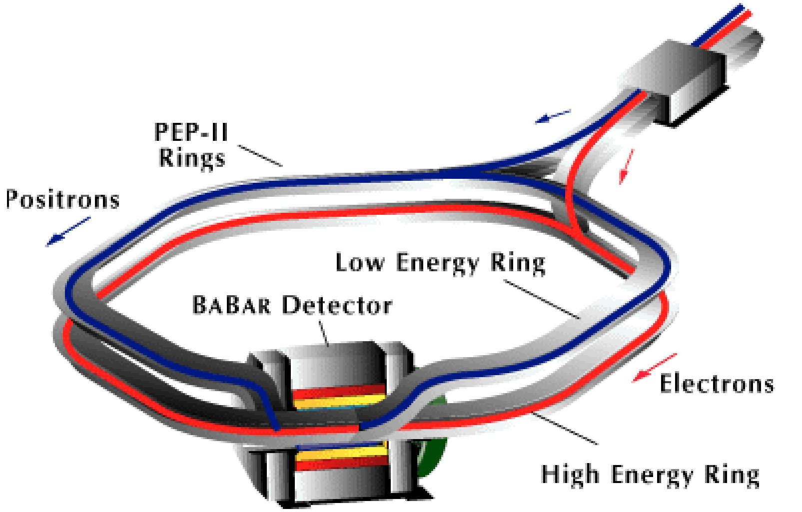
BaBar and PEP-II

BaBar and PEP-II operated at SLAC from 1999-2008

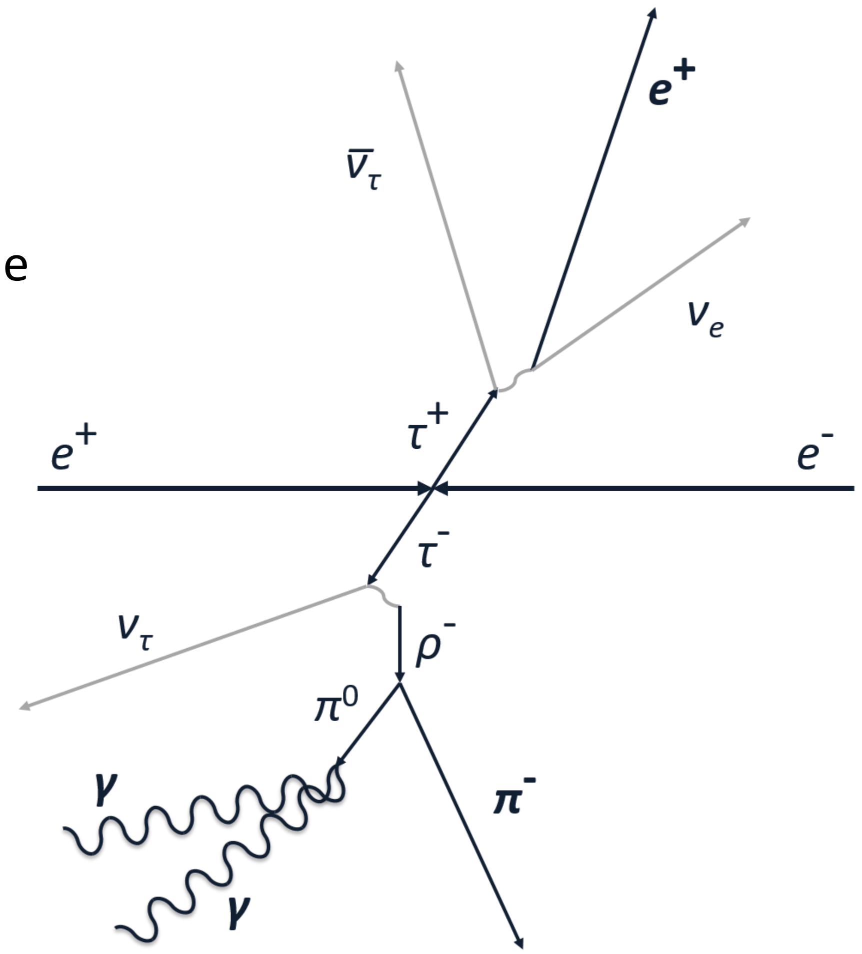




- Over 6 run periods *BaBar* collected 432 fb^{-1} of data on the $\Upsilon(4S)$ resonance
- PEP-II collided electrons and positrons together at 9.0 and 3.1 GeV
- No beam polarization was expected at PEP-II

Tau Event Selection

- As a proof of concept we have developed Tau Polarimetry at *BABAR* using $\tau^{\pm} \rightarrow \rho^{\pm}\nu_{\tau} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm}\pi^{0}\nu_{\tau}$ decays
- We expect uncertainties to be highly correlated between detectors due to similar designs
- Developed the technique on 32.28 fb^{-1} of data
  - Final measurement performed on remaining 391.90 fb^{-1}
- Selected tau events in a 1v1 topology, (ρ vs. e)
  - ρ has large branching fraction, e for clean tag
- Signal candidates are defined as a charged particle with a π^0
- $q\bar{q}$ events are eliminated with the electron requirement
- Angular cuts and a minimum p_T of 1.2 GeV reduce two photon and Bhabha contamination

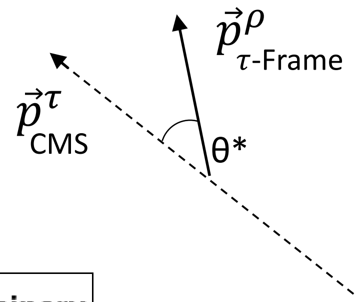


- Achieve a 99.7% pure tau-pair sample (0.3% Bhabha)
- 90% of selected events contain a $\tau^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm}\pi^{0}\nu_{\tau}$ decay
  - 8% a_1 decays, 2% other hadronic

Polarization Observables

- Polarization sensitivity in a rho decay is maximized by analyzing two angular variables[2] in addition to cosθ

$$\cos\theta^* = \frac{2z - 1 - m_\rho^2/m_\tau^2}{1 - m_\rho^2/m_\tau^2} \qquad z \equiv E_\rho / E_{\text{beam}}$$



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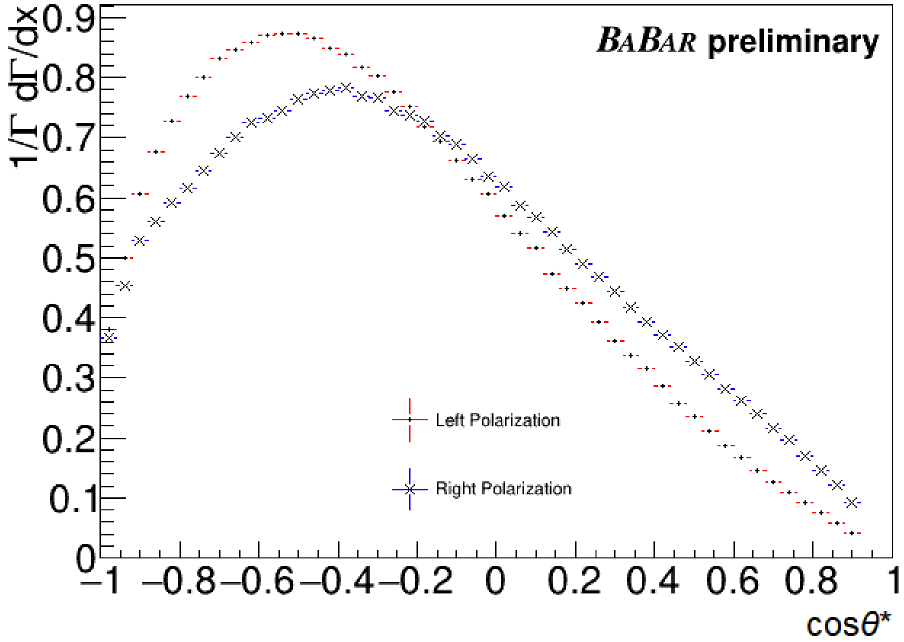

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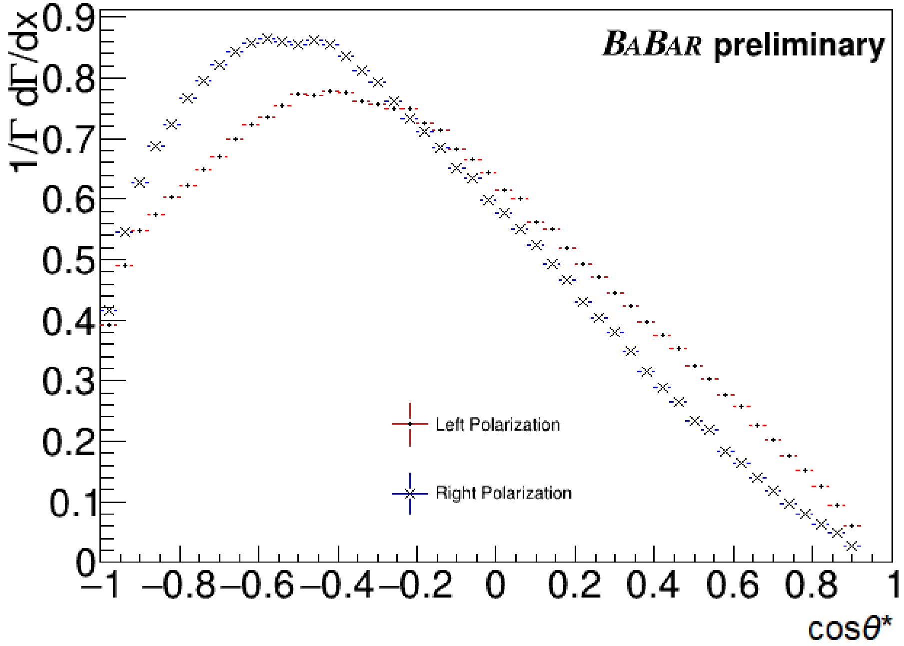

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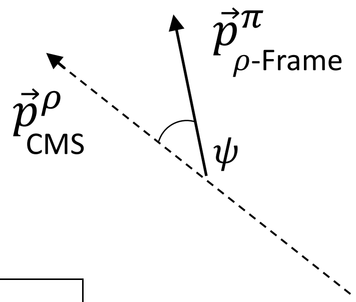
$$\cos\psi = \frac{2x - 1}{\sqrt{1 - 4m_\pi^2/m_\rho^2}} \qquad x \equiv E_\pi / E_\rho$$



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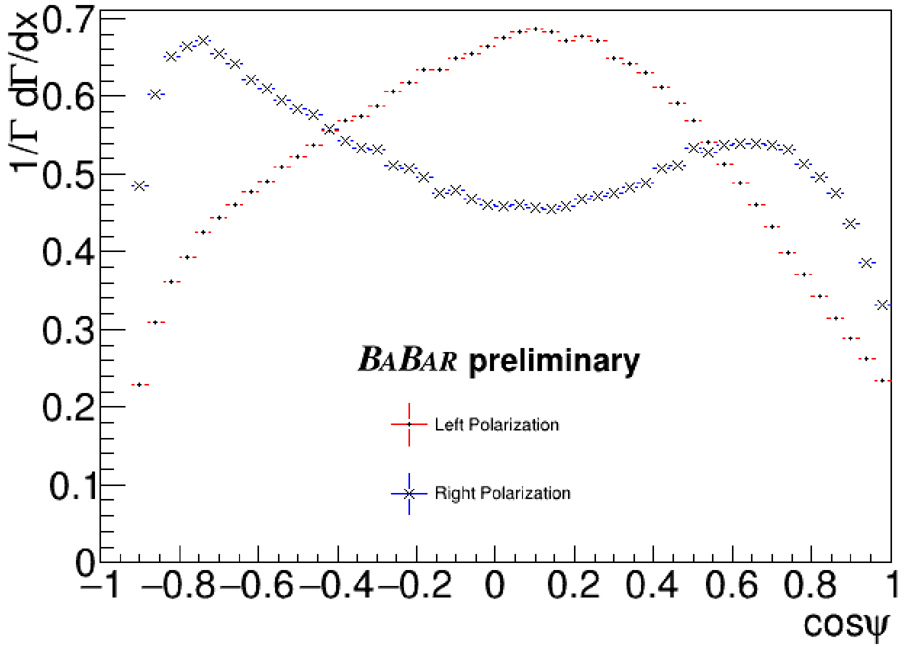

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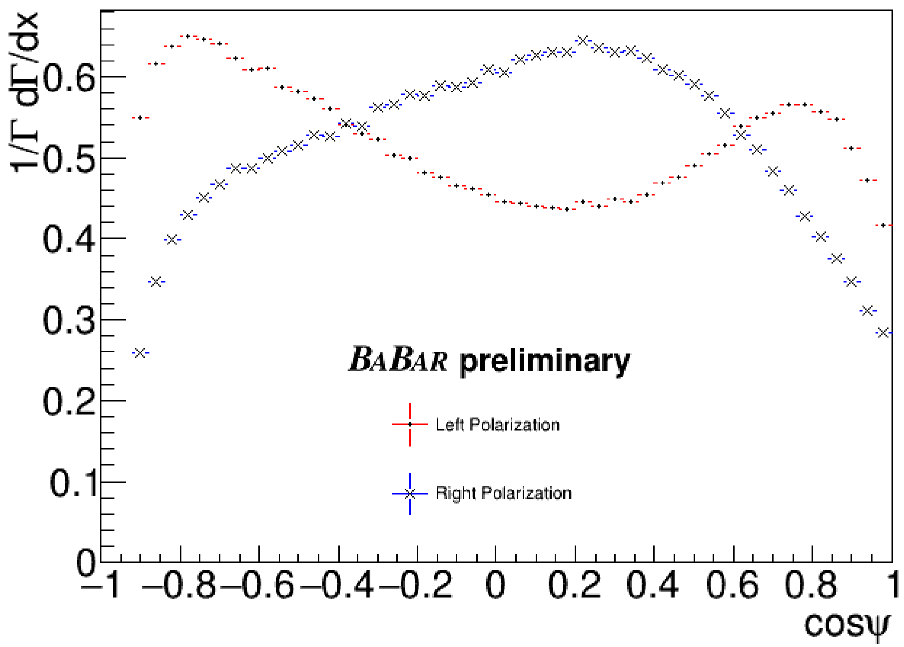

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Polarization Fit

- To extract the average beam polarization from a data set we employ a binned maximum likelihood fit using Barlow and Beeston[3] template fit methodology
- Data and MC is binned in 3D histograms of cosθ*, cosψ, and cosθ
- Tau MC was produced for a left and right polarized electron beam
- The data is fit as a linear combination of the histograms

$$D = a_l L + a_r R + a_b B + a_m M + a_u U + a_c\, C$$

$$\langle P \rangle \equiv a_l - a_r$$

a_l	0.499
a_r	0.499
a_b	3.8×10^{-5}
a_m	1.4×10^{-3}
a_u	3.8×10^{-4}
a_c	4.8×10^{-5}

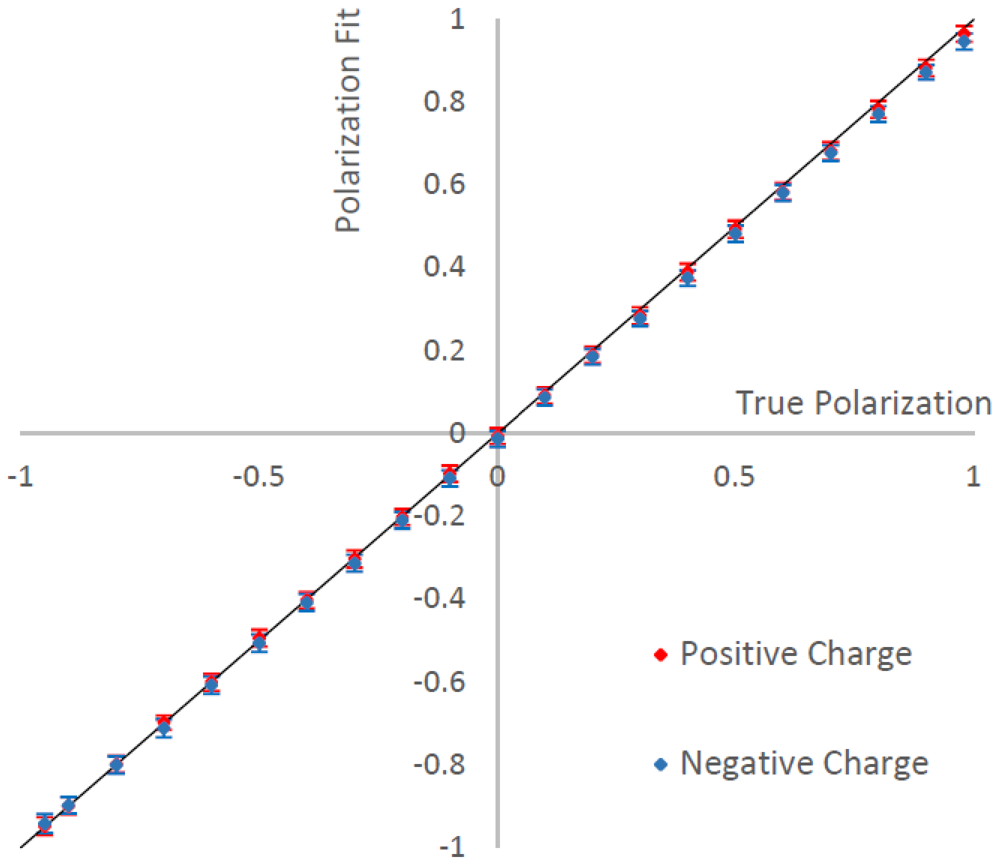
D=data L=Left Polarized Tau MC R=Right Polarized Tau MC B=Bhabha(e^+e^-) M=μμ U=uds C=$c\bar{c}$

a_i = fit contribution

[3] R. Barlow, C. Beeston; Computer Physics Communications, Volume 77, Issue 2, 1993, Pages 219-228, https://doi.org/10.1016/0010-4655(93)90005-W

Beam Polarization MC "Measurement"

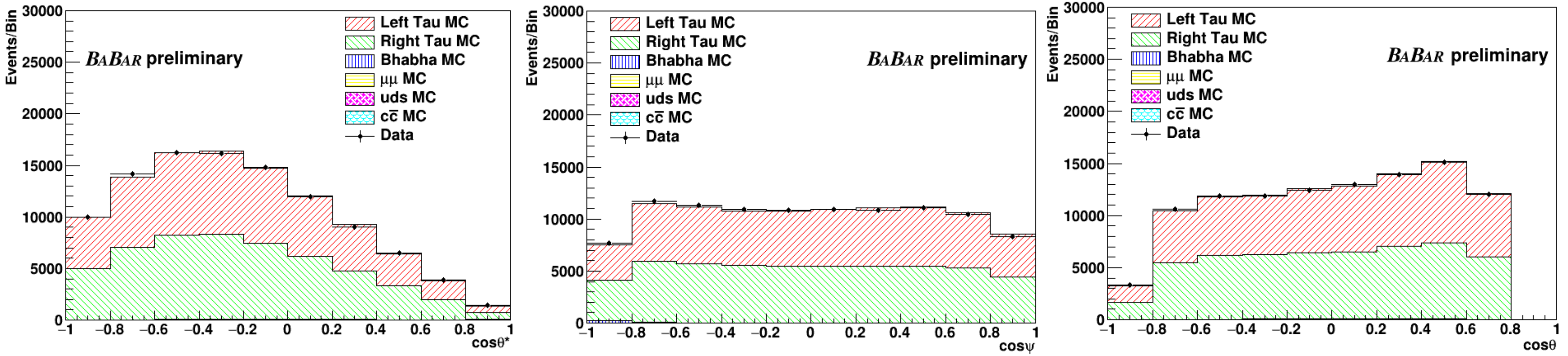
- As PEP-II had no beam polarization we performed MC studies of the polarimetry technique for arbitrary beam polarization states for validation of the method
- This is done by splitting each of the polarized tau MC samples in half
- One half of each is used to perform the polarization fit
- The other half is used to mix specific beam polarization states
  - e.g. 70% polarized = 85% left +15% right
- Simulated beam polarization states are produced in steps of 10% beam polarization
- We found the fit responded well and was able to correctly measure any designed beam state



Fit Result

Sample	Positive	Negative	Total
Run 3 (32.28 fb^{-1})	0.0277±0.0177	-0.0031±0.0177	0.0123±0.0125

- Fit result projected to each of the fit variables
- Result from preliminary 32.28 fb^{-1} study sample fit, Negative charges
- $\langle P \rangle = -0.0031$, $\chi^2/NDF = 770/872$



Full Measurement

- Performing the measurement on the remaining data, 391.9 fb^{-1}

Sample	Luminosity (fb^{-1})	Average Polarization
Run 1	20.37	0.0062±0.0157
Run 2	61.32	-0.0004±0.0090
Run 4	99.58	-0.0114±0.0071
Run 5	132.33	-0.0040±0.0063
Run 6	78.31	0.0157±0.0082
Total	**391.9**	**-0.0010±0.0036**

- Preliminary measurement:

$$\langle P \rangle = -0.0010 \pm 0.0036_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0030_{\text{sys}}$$

PRELIMINARY

Study	Run 1	Run 2	Run 4	Run 5	Run 6	Final
π^0 Likelihood	0.0032	0.0012	0.0009	0.0010	0.0020	**0.0015**
Hadronic Split-off Modelling	0.0035	0.0012	0.0015	0.0011	0.0005	**0.0011**
$\cos\psi$ (rho-pi angle)	0.0022	0.0012	0.0006	0.0008	0.0010	**0.0010**
Angular Resolution	0.0010	0.0015	0.0012	0.0002	0.0007	**0.0009**
Minimum Neutral Energy	0.0006	0.0009	0.0005	0.0006	0.0016	**0.0009**
π^0 Mass	0.0018	0.0005	0.0009	0.0006	0.0014	**0.0009**
$\cos\theta^\star$ (tau-rho angle)	0.0012	0.0007	0.0012	0.0009	0.0007	**0.0008**
Electron PID	0.0022	0.0008	0.0007	0.0014	0.0010	**0.0007**
Tau Branching Fraction	0.0007	0.0006	0.0010	0.0006	0.0005	**0.0006**
Event Transverse Momentum	0.0013	0.0006	0.0006	0.0002	0.0005	**0.0005**
Momentum Resolution	0.0005	0.0008	0.0004	0.0003	0.0006	**0.0005**
π^0 Minimum Photon Energy	0.0008	0.0008	0.0009	0.0003	0.0010	**0.0004**
Rho Mass	0.0007	0.0002	0.0002	0.0004	0.0005	**0.0003**
Background Modelling	0.0027	0.0002	0.0002	0.0007	0.0009	**0.0003**
Boost	0.0000	0.0002	0.0001	0.0005	0.0004	**0.0002**
Total	0.0070	0.0033	0.0032	0.0027	0.0038	**0.0030**

Conclusions

- *BaBar* has implemented the first application of the new Tau Polarimetery technique to preliminarily measure the PEP-II average beam polarization

$$\langle P \rangle = -0.0010 \pm 0.0036_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0030_{\text{sys}}$$

PRELIMINARY

- Strongly motivates adding a polarized electron beam to SuperKEKB
- Currently processing rho vs muon selection for additional statistics
- Parallel development on extracting the beam polarization from tau to pion decays ongoing
- Tau Polarimetry could be applied at other e^+e^- colliders
- Look forward to a publication this summer

Thank You!

Backup Slides

Positron Polarization

- In this implementation of tau polarimetry it is assumed only the electron beam is polarized
- Tau polarimetry works for any beam polarizations in both beams

$e^+ \backslash e^-$	L^-	R^-
L^+	L^+L^-	L^+R^-
R^+	R^+L^-	R^+R^-

- Interaction matrix, only the LL and RR boxes result in a e^+e^- interaction
- The LR and RL fraction continue down the beam pipe
- For unpolarized beams L=R=0.5
- Average beam polarization can be expressed as $\frac{LL-RR}{LL+RR}$

$e^+ \backslash e^-$	L^-	R^-
L^+	0.425	0.075
R^+	0.425	0.075

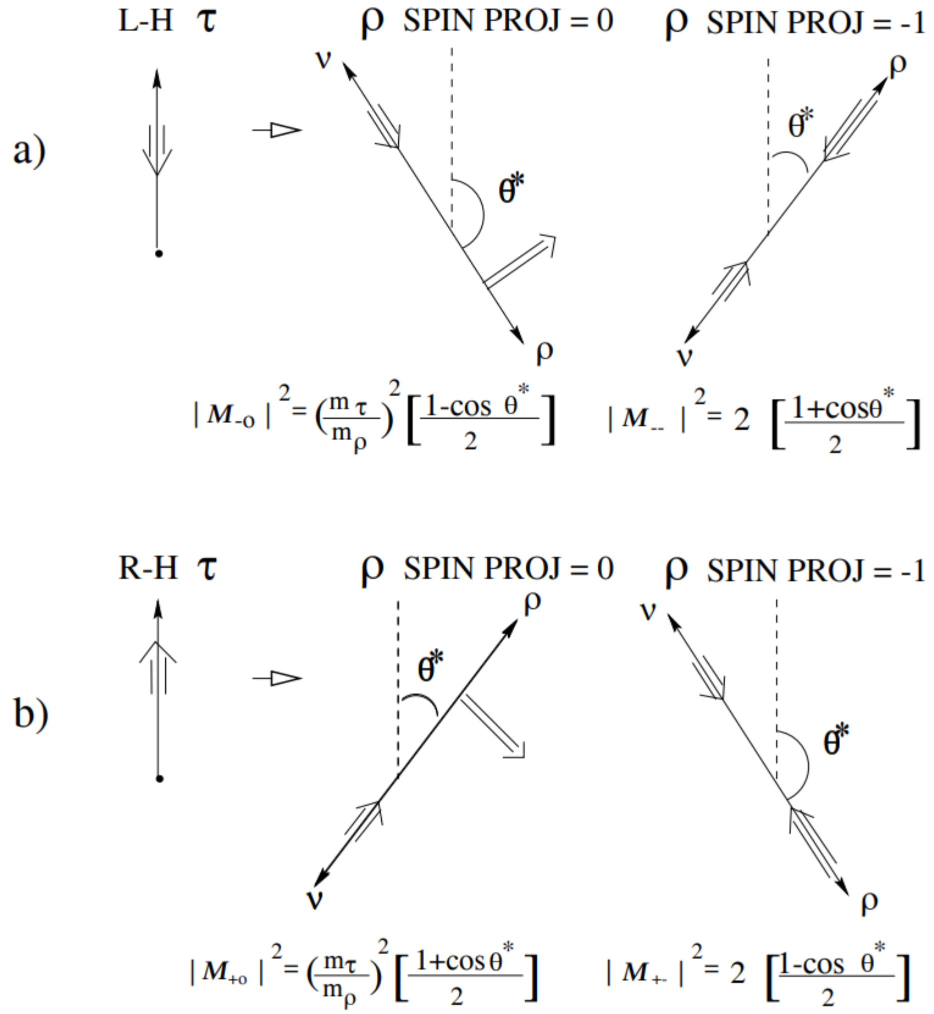
- For 70% polarized electron beam, $L^-=0.85$ $R^-=0.15$
- Average beam polarization is $\frac{0.425-0.075}{0.425+0.075}=0.7$

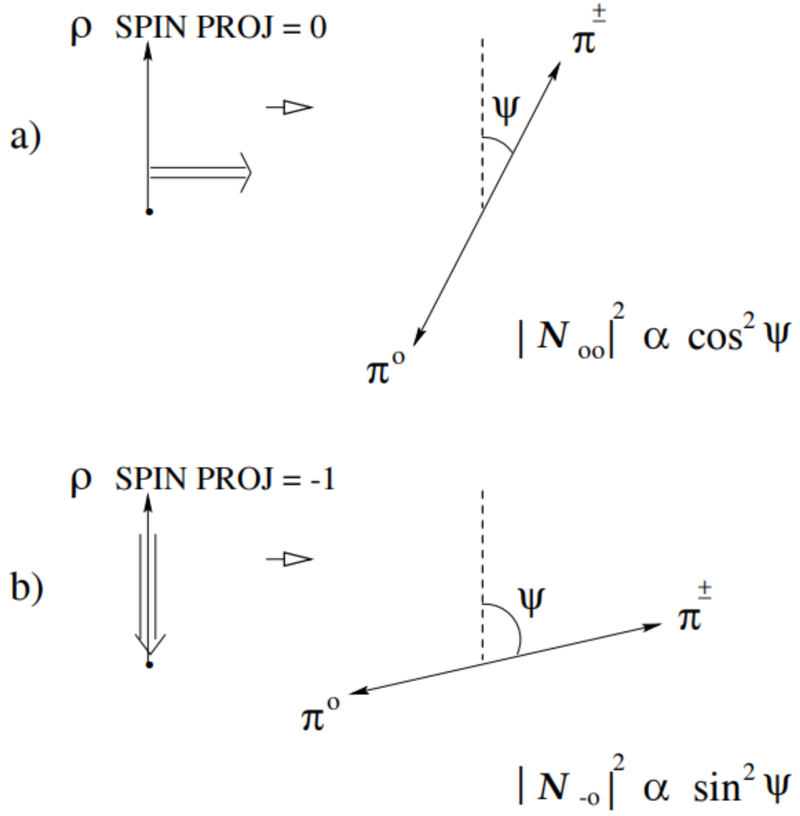
$e^+ \backslash e^-$	L^-	R^-
L^+	0.49	0.21
R^+	0.21	0.09

- For both beams being 40% polarized, L=0.7, R=0.3
- Average beam polarization is $\frac{0.49-0.09}{0.49+0.09}=0.69$
- Also note 58% of encounters result in a collision, extra data for same luminosity

Rho Spin Analysis

- The rho complicates the spin projections, which necessitates two variables to extract the polarization





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