A data-driven method to constrain the antiproton background in Mu2e

Multi-track events from $p\bar{p}$ *annihilation v/s Cosmics*

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SES	2.4 × 10 ⁻¹⁶			
Cosmics	$0.046 \pm 0.010 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.009 \text{ (syst)}$			
DIO	$0.038 \pm 0.002 \text{ (stat)} + 0.025 \text{ (syst)}$			
Antiprotons	$0.010 \pm 0.003 \text{ (stat) } \pm 0.010 \text{ (syst)}$			
RPC in-time	$0.010 \pm 0.002 \text{ (stat)} + 0.001 \text{ (syst)}$			
RPC out-of-time ($\zeta = 10^{-10}$)	$(1.2 \pm 0.1 \text{ (stat)} ^{+0.1}_{-0.3} \text{ (syst)}) imes 10^{-3}$			
RMC	$<$ 2.4 $ imes$ 10 $^{-3}$			
Decays in flight	$<$ 2 $ imes$ 10 $^{-3}$			
Beam electrons	$< 1 \times 10^{-3}$			
Total	0.105 ± 0.032			

Background summary in the optimised signal momentum and time window 103.6<p<104.90 MeV/c and 640< T0<1650 ns*

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- Absorber elements placed at entrance and center of the TS to suppress the \overline{p} background.
- The estimated \overline{p} background for Run 1 is $0.01 \pm 0.003(stat) \pm 0.010(syst)^*$. The systematic error is dominated by the uncertainty on the production cross section at 8 GeV/c proton momentum.

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Goal: Identify and reconstruct the multi-track final state events and get an estimate of the CE like events by rescaling the ratio of the two final states. 空 Fermilab



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No. Of events with	> 0 track	> 1 track	> 0 track	> 1 track	> 0 track	> 1 track
Default reco	1272	58	1089	46	1046	39
New reco	1734	113	1579	97	1465	81
Improvement	x 1.4	x 2	x 1.4	x 2.1	x 1.4	x 2



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• Thus, if one asks for the track to have at least 85 MeV/c momentum then the probability of a two DIO tracks event is negligible.



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- This is an event with a cosmic muon entering from the back, not interacting with the Calorimeter and making about 20-30 hits in the Tracker.
- Such an event occurs about 30-50 times every \sim 15000 events or so.



Courtesy: Y. Oksuzian





3-D view



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• Most of the Cosmics multi-track events are:

(1) Cosmic muons interacting with the calorimeter disk, producing an e^+/e^- which first travels upstream towards the ST and then returns back.

(2) Cosmic muons interacting with the ST, producing e^+ 's and e^- 's.





Cosmics v/s $p\overline{p}$ annihilation multi-track events

- Only events with > 1 track considered. Each track with p > 80 MeV/c and nHits > 20 and $\chi^2/dof < 5$.
- The E/p distribution of the reconstructed tracks from Cosmics is centred around 0.8. Most are e-/e+ tracks.
- The E/p distribution of the reconstructed tracks from $p\overline{p}$ annihilation at the ST is centred around 0.4. Most of the tracks here are pions and muons.
- A selection cut of E/p < 0.6 should help to eliminate many of the tracks from Cosmics.



Hist/trk 2: track E/P



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- Next task: Estimate the contribution of Cosmics to the multi-track event signature expected from the \bar{p} background.



Extra slides



Pbar1b0 Event 1210:0:246 (E/p > 0.8)



3-D view: e- and e+ tracks



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Default Mu2e Offline v/s New Reconstruction workflow



Default reconstruction chain

New Reconstruction chain using the DeltaFinder, TZFinder and PhiClusterFinder



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Event : 931, $\Delta \phi$ = 1.5 rad

Event : 3361, $\Delta \phi$ = 3.05 rad

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Results with the single interaction $p\overline{p}$ **annihilation at the ST events**

Events with	0	1	2	3	4	5
Sim	7405	2159	381	50	4	1
TimeCluster	7913	1871	194	14	7	1
Helix	8287	1596	110	5	2	
Track	8702	1250	46	2		

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Helix	8349	1508	132	10	1	
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 $p\overline{p}$ data with FlgBkgHits -> TimeClusterFinderDmu -> New PhiCusterFinder -> HelixFinder

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Helix	7677	2007	289	23	4	
Track	8187 🕈	1680 🕈	128	4	4	1

 $p\overline{p}$ data with DeltaFinder -> TZFinder -> New PhiCusterFinder -> HelixFinder

• Tested on 10^4 pure $p\overline{p}$ annihilation events.

- A sim particle is defined as a particle making at least 20 straw hits in the Tracker and having a momentum > 40 MeV/c. In this sample, there are 381 events with two particles each.
- The tables compare the number of events at each stage of reconstruction using the default and new chains of reconstruction
- The number of events with two helices increased from 110 to 289, number of events with two reconstructed tracks per event increased from 46 to 128 with the new reconstruction chain.






SimParticles



PDG code

Time (ns)

Δt between the tracks of two-track events

- Given here are the Δt distributions for two-track final state $p\overline{p}$ annihilation events where each reconstructed track has a momentum > 80 MeV/ c.
- Tracks from the same $p\overline{p}$ interaction could be close in time, but could also be up to 100 ns apart.
- The events with track hits separated in time make different time clusters.



Δt (Pure $p\overline{p}$ events)





 $\Delta t (p\overline{p} + 1BB \text{ pile-up events})$

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Some examples of two-track events with large Δt between the particle tracks



 $p\overline{p}$ annihilation event with two reconstructed tracks Green = Muon, Pink = Pion in 3-D view Red = Reconstructed track in 2-D view

Comparing single interaction $p\overline{p}$ annihilation with CE events



- Given here are all the reconstructed tracks with no quality cuts.
- Most of the reconstructed tracks from $p\overline{p}$ annihilation are pions and muons, as expected.

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$p\overline{p}$ annihilation + pileup data samples



- We have generated $10^4 \, p\overline{p}$ annihilation + 1BB and 2BB pileup data samples respectively.
- The fcl files and dataset locations can be found at https://github.com/Mu2e/pbar2m.
- The number of straw hits and combo hits per event are as expected for a data sample with pile-up.





SU2020 DIO Reconstruction Sensitivity

Track reconstruction efficiency, defined as the ratio of the number of single electron events with tracks passing all selections over the number of generated events, is a function of the track momentum