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# $K_L + p \rightarrow \pi^+ + \Lambda$

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## KL4 RXN AND GENERATING STEPS

- KI4 : K<sup>0</sup><sub>L</sub>+ p  $\rightarrow \pi^+$  + A  $-\Lambda \rightarrow$  p +  $\pi^-$  (63.9%) ; Current priority  $-\Lambda \rightarrow$  n +  $\pi^0$  (35.8%)
- Backgrounds : (Primary)  $K^0_L + p \rightarrow \pi^+ + \Sigma^0$ , (Secondary)  $K^0_L + p \rightarrow K^+ + \Xi^0$
- Generated histograms/root files (Monitoring Histograms, ReactionFilter, mcthrown\_tree)
  - hd\_root --nthreads=8 -PPLUGINS=PEVENTRFBUNCH:USE\_TAG=KLong PVERTEX:USEWEIGHTEDAVERAGE=1 -PPLUGINS=monitoring\_hists foo\_smeared.hddm
  - hd\_root --nthreads=8 -PPLUGINS=PEVENTRFBUNCH:USE\_TAG=KLong -PVERTEX:USEWEIGHTEDAVERAGE=1 -PPLUGINS=ReactionFilter –PReaction1=10\_14\_\_8\_18 foo\_smeared.hddm
  - hd\_root --nthreads=8 -PPLUGINS=PEVENTRFBUNCH:USE\_TAG=KLong -PVERTEX:USEWEIGHTEDAVERAGE=1 -PPLUGINS=mcthrown\_tree foo\_smeared.hddm





### WORKING ON POLARIZATION EXTRACTION

- The Λ is polarized and its polarization can be induced from the angle the decay proton in the Λ center of mass makes with the beam-Λ normal.
- The normal for this analysis is defined as :
  n = K<sub>L</sub> X Λ
- $\alpha P = 3 < \hat{p}_{\wedge cm} \cdot \hat{n} > = 3 < \cos \theta_{pn} >$ - Decay parameter  $\alpha = 0.732$ , older data has it at 0.642.







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#### ERROR IN LAST KLF PRESENTATION

- The plots on the right show the cosθ<sub>pn</sub> distributions.
- The plots show a large distortion that the reconstruction causes in the cosine distributions.
- It was suggested that I should double check my angle definitions, and it turns out that in the Thrown Tree distributions I did **not** boost the proton to the Λ center of mass frame.
- The bottom plot shows the distribution with the correct definition, which is identically zero.













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#### **CURRENT HYPOTHESIS**

- The components of the dot product are equal in magnitude and opposite in sign.
- K<sub>L</sub> = (E, 0, 0, p<sub>z</sub>), so rearranging the terms in the cosine
   Cos(θ<sub>pn</sub>) = p<sub>z,K</sub>(p<sub>x,Λ</sub>p<sub>cm,y,p</sub>- p<sub>y,Λ</sub>p<sub>cm,x,p</sub>); so the term in parentheses is zero.
- Plot on the bottom shows that the distributions of the two terms and the distributions are equal in magnitude and opposite in sign.



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#### BEAM MOMENTUM ISSUES

- From the plots below, it shows that the Thrown Tree Beam p<sub>z</sub> oscillates after 3.2 GeV.
- This is not found in the Rec. and the Thr. Distributions.



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# **Backup Slides**

#### DATA HAS AN ASYMMETRY

- The Rec., Thrown Tree, and efficiencies for  $p_{x,\Lambda}p_{cm,y,p}$  and  $p_{y,\Lambda}p_{cm,x,p}$  are shown to the right.
- The Rec. distributions are have an asymmetry















### THROWN TREE DISTRIBUTIONS

Plots to the right show the thrown tree proton momentum in the lambda center of mass frame, the beam momenta, and the lambda momenta.



3.5 4 4. K.p [GeV]





#### **REC. VS. THROWN TREE : PROTON MOMENTA**











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-0.2 -0.1 0 0.1 0.2 0. Proton p GeV

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ThT. Proton p

₿8000

Geooo

14000

12000

10000

8000

6000

4000

2000

g 0.09

g 0.08

0.07

0.06

0.05

0.04

0.03

0.02

0.01

8.3

-0.3

Efficiency : Proton p

Acm.x







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### THROWN TREE LAMBDA DISTRIBUTIONS

 To the right are plots of the thrown tree and recon. lambda momenta distributions.













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# **Deeper Backup Slides**





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#### FULL RESULTS

- The plots to the let show the mea aP using the BNL, HERMES, and extracting the aP from the cosine distribution.
- The plots with ad without the t cut are shown.
- Here the  $n = K_L X \Lambda$ .





















