### Measuring Quark Polarization Dependent Di-Hadron Fragmentation Functions at Belle II

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INTRODUCTION

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<u>Fragmentation functions (FF)</u>: describe how color carrying quarks fragment into color neutral hadrons



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<u>Parton Distribution Functions (PDF)</u>: probability densities for finding a quark or gluon with a particular momentum in a color neutral hadron



- Fragmentation functions and parton distribution functions are universal functions and fundamental QCD objects.
  - They are non-perturbative, so they cannot be calculated in QCD and (in most cases) must be determined experimentally.
  - Electron-positron experiments offer the cleanest environments in which to measure fragmentation functions.

#### FRAGMENTATION FUNCTIONS FACTORIZATION

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#### **FRAGMENTATION FUNCTIONS** QUARK POLARIZATION DEPENDENT DI-HADRON FF

The H<sup>∢</sup><sub>1</sub> FF is dependent on the polarization of the parent quark and produces a pair of spin-0 hadrons.

π+

π-

- H<sup>∢</sup><sub>1</sub> observable:
  - Conservation of angular momentum leads to left and right asymmetry
  - The spin correlation between a quark-antiquark pair leads to a correlation between the azimuthal angle of the di-hadron pairs it produces
  - The amplitude of the resulting asymmetry in the azimuthal angle is directly proportional to H<sup>A</sup><sub>1</sub>H<sup>A</sup><sub>1</sub>

#### $H_1^{\checkmark}$ **EXTRACTION** AZIMUTHAL ANGLE MEASUREMENT



#### EVENT CUTS

- Number of hits in the CDC > 20
- Particles originate from the e<sup>+</sup> e<sup>-</sup> collision point
  - □ dr < 2cm
  - □ |dz| < 4 cm
- Visible energy is between 7 GeV and 12 GeV

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#### THRUST

$$T = \max_{|\hat{n}|=1} \left[ \frac{\sum_{i} |\vec{p}_{i} \cdot \hat{n}|}{\sum_{i} |\vec{p}_{i}|} \right]$$

In a perfectly di-jet event, T = 1.0In a perfectly spherical event T = 0.5

The thrust axis,  $\hat{n}$ , is a good approximation of the  $q\bar{q}$  axis when thrust is close to 1.0

#### $H_1^{\sphericalangle}$ **EXTRACTION** AZIMUTHAL ANGLE MEASUREMENT





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#### PION CUTS

- Transverse momentum > 0.1 GeV/c
- Full Belle II barrel acceptance
  - cosine between pion momenta and the beam axis > -0.79
  - cosine between pion momenta and the beam axis < 0.74</li>
- |cosine between pion momenta and thrust axis| > 0.8
- Carries at least 10% of the total event energy
- pionID > 0.7

#### $H_1^{\measuredangle}$ **EXTRACTION** AZIMUTHAL ANGLE MEASUREMENT



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#### $H_1^{\sphericalangle}$ **EXTRACTION** AZIMUTHAL ANGLE MEASUREMENT





$$\varphi_{1,2} = sgn[\hat{n} \cdot \{ (\hat{z} \times \hat{n}) \times (\hat{n} \times P_{h1,2}) \}]$$
$$\times \arccos\left(\frac{\hat{z} \times \hat{n}}{|\hat{z} \times \hat{n}|} \cdot \frac{\hat{n} \times P_{h1,2}}{|\hat{n} \times P_{h1,2}|} \right)$$



Extracting the asymmetry  $(p_0)$  from the azimuthal angle:

### H<sup>∢</sup> EXTRACTION BELLE RESULTS

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#### Phys. Rev. Lett. 107, 072004 (2011).



#### Asymmetry by Invariant Mass Bins:

#### H<sup>∢</sup> EXTRACTION BELLE RESULTS





#### $H_1^{\checkmark}$ **EXTRACTION** USING JET ALGORITHMS



#### JET AXES

- Jets are well defined observables and produce better results than the naïve qq axis.
- Resulting FFs in e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> are directly connected to FFs in SIDIS
- Jet analysis of FFs has been done at Belle before (arXiv: 1505.08020)

#### **FUTURE RESEARCH** KAON INCLUSIVE MEASUREMENTS

- The same measurement of  $H_1^{\triangleleft}$  can be made with  $K^+ K^-$ ,  $K^+ \pi^-$ , or  $\pi^+ K^-$  pairs
- Kaon inclusive measurements are sensitive to the strange quark
- Resulting H<sup>A</sup> measurements could be used to describe the distribution of strange quarks within the nucleon

![](_page_20_Figure_5.jpeg)

#### **CONTRIBUTION TO THE FIELD** NUCLEON STRUCTURE

- The EIC will be built using the components and space left by the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) at Brookhaven National Lab
- It will be the first polarized electron-proton collider
- It will be uniquely suited to measure the contributions of quarks and gluons to the proton spin
- Because the EIC is a deep inelastic scattering experiment, light quark fragmentation functions are critical to unlocking its full science potential

![](_page_21_Figure_5.jpeg)

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### SUMMARY

- Fragmentation functions:
  - Fundamental QCD objects
  - Describe the hadronization process
  - Necessary to study nucleon structure
- Electron positron annihilation provides the cleanest environment to study FFs
- New measurement of  $H_1^{\triangleleft}$ 
  - Sensitive to the strange quark
  - With respect to the jet axis
- New measurements are critical to upcoming experiments at JLab and the EIC

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#### **BACKUP SLIDES** FULLY DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTION

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 $R_T$ : The transverse part of the relative momentum between the hadrons

 $M_{1,2}$ : Mass of hadron 1,2

 $\phi_R - \phi^l$ : The azimuthal angle with respect to the lepton frame

A kinematic factor dependent only on  $\theta$  in the center of mass frame:

$$B(y) = \frac{\sin^2\theta}{4}$$

 $\mathcal{F}\colon$  The convolution

D. Boer, R. Jakob, and M. Radici, Phys. Rev. D 67, 094003 (2003).

#### **BACKUP SLIDES** WTA UUBAR MC BINNING

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