Quantum tomography of the two-lepton system with ALICE

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- Describes all observable features of a given quantum mechanical system while bypassing model based formalism.
- This allows for focusing on characterization of experimental data.
- The unknown intermediate state of the system can be parametrized by a density matrix $\rho(X)$ and is being probed described by $\rho(probe)$ that is known from measured variables.
- The Cholesky decomposition of $\rho(X)$ and the connection between angular distribution and cross section allows for density matrix parameter estimation by fitting measured data.

$$\begin{split} \frac{dN}{d\Omega} &= \frac{1}{4}(1+m_3^2) \\ &+ \frac{1}{4}(1-3m_3^2)\cos^2\theta \\ &- \frac{1}{2}m_3m_6\sin\left(2\theta\right)\cos\phi \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}(m_2^2+m_8^2+m_9^2+\frac{1}{2}m_3^2-\frac{1}{2})\sin^2\theta\cos\left(2\phi\right) \\ &- \frac{1}{4}(2m_2^2+m_3^2+-1)\sin^2\theta\sin\left(2\phi\right). \end{split}$$

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- ${\rm J}/\psi$ is studied via its decay into dilepton pair.
- Leptons are emitted back-to-back.
- The angular distribution of decay products provides information about polarization or spin alignment.
- It can be parametrized by a set of parameters $\lambda_{\theta}, \lambda_{\varphi}, \lambda_{\theta\varphi}, \tilde{\lambda}$.



⁰P. Faccioli et al., [arXiv:1006.2738 [hep-ph]]

- Electric and magnetic fields of charged particles moving at ultra-relativistic speeds are both perpendicular to the beam directions and they propagate as linearly polarized electromagnetic waves.
- Photons generated by those fields are considered to be linearly polarized in the transverse plane.
- Thus it is expected that produced J/ψ is transversely polarized thanks to helicity conservation.



J. D. Brandenburg, W. Zha and Z. Xu, [arXiv:2103.16623 [hep-ph]].

- In order to compare measured sample with an ideal case, a set of Monte Carlo data was generated.
- The data were generated using EvtGen with same energy configuration as the measured sample for both coherent and incoherent photoproduction with three polarization states.

• The distributions for coherent data sample show strong dependence on angular distribution with clear differences between longitudinal (left) and transversal (right) polarization.



• The distributions for incoherent data sample show strong dependence on angular distribution with clear differences between longitudinal (left) and transversal (right) polarization.



• The distributions of unpolarized data samples showed no strong dependence for both coherent (left) and incoherent (right) photoproduction.



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$\lambda_{ heta}$	-0.3269	$\lambda_{ heta}$	0.9998	$\lambda_{ heta}$	-0.0083
λ_{ϕ}	0.3304	λ_{ϕ}	-0.9429	λ_{ϕ}	0.1382
$\lambda_{\theta\phi}$	-0.0638	$\lambda_{ heta\phi}$	-0.0131	$\lambda_{ heta\phi}$	-0.4246
$\tilde{\lambda}$	0.9922	$\tilde{\lambda}$	-0.9424	$\tilde{\lambda}$	0.4716

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$\lambda_{\theta\phi}$	-0.1601	$\lambda_{ heta\phi}$	-0.0120	$\lambda_{ heta\phi}$	-0.4296
$\tilde{\lambda}$	1.0672	$\tilde{\lambda}$	-0.8087	$\tilde{\lambda}$	0.4408

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- The data sample was fitted by 1D distributions using projections of two distinct regions, simultaneously.





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$$\rho_{fit}^{incoh} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.12 & 0 & 0.23 \\ 0 & 0.43 & 0 \\ 0.23 & 0 & 0.453 \end{pmatrix} \pm \begin{pmatrix} 0.03 & 0 & 0.03 \\ 0 & 0.03 & 0 \\ 0.03 & 0 & 0.018 \end{pmatrix} (\text{stat.})$$
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Incoherent Yield				
$\lambda_{ heta}$	-0.25 ± 0.03			
λ_{ϕ}	0.212 ± 0.019			
$\lambda_{ heta\phi}$	-0.31 ± 0.02			
$\tilde{\lambda}$	0.49 ± 0.09			

Transversal		Longitudinal		Unpolarized	
$\lambda_{ heta}$	-0.2475	$\lambda_{ heta}$	0.6410	$\lambda_{ heta}$	-0.02755
λ_{ϕ}	0.3167	λ_{ϕ}	-0.7934	λ_{ϕ}	0.03587
$\lambda_{\theta\phi}$	-0.1927	$\lambda_{ heta\phi}$	-0.5384	$\lambda_{ heta\phi}$	-0.48102
$\tilde{\lambda}$	1.0280	$\tilde{\lambda}$	-0.9709	$\tilde{\lambda}$	0.0830

- Quantum tomography provides an opportunity to study processes bypassing traditional model-dependent methods.
- $\bullet\,$ Studied data sample of coherently and incoherently produced J/ψ was compared to MC generated data sample.
- The study of incoherent data sample provided reasonable results in comparison with generated incoherent transversely polarized data sample.