

Test of the OZI rule and spin alignment measurements with the COMPASS experiment

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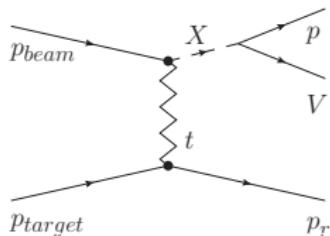
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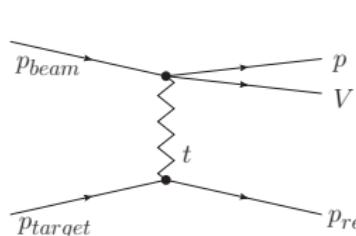
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Production mechanisms at beam energies $\mathcal{O}(100 \text{ GeV})$

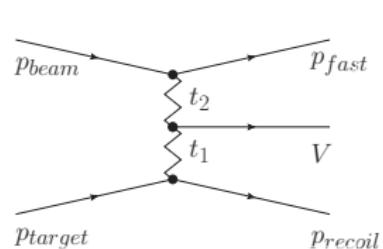
resonant (diffractive)



non-resonant



central



Try to understand interplay by studying **strangeness transfer** in well-understood vector meson production (“strangeness chemistry”):

- $\phi(1020)$ is close to pure $s\bar{s}$ state
- $\omega(782)$ is close to pure $u\bar{u}/d\bar{d}$ state

OZI rule

Okubo-Zweig-Iizuka rule:

processes with disconnected quark lines suppressed

prediction for $\phi(1020)$ to $\omega(782)$ production ratios:

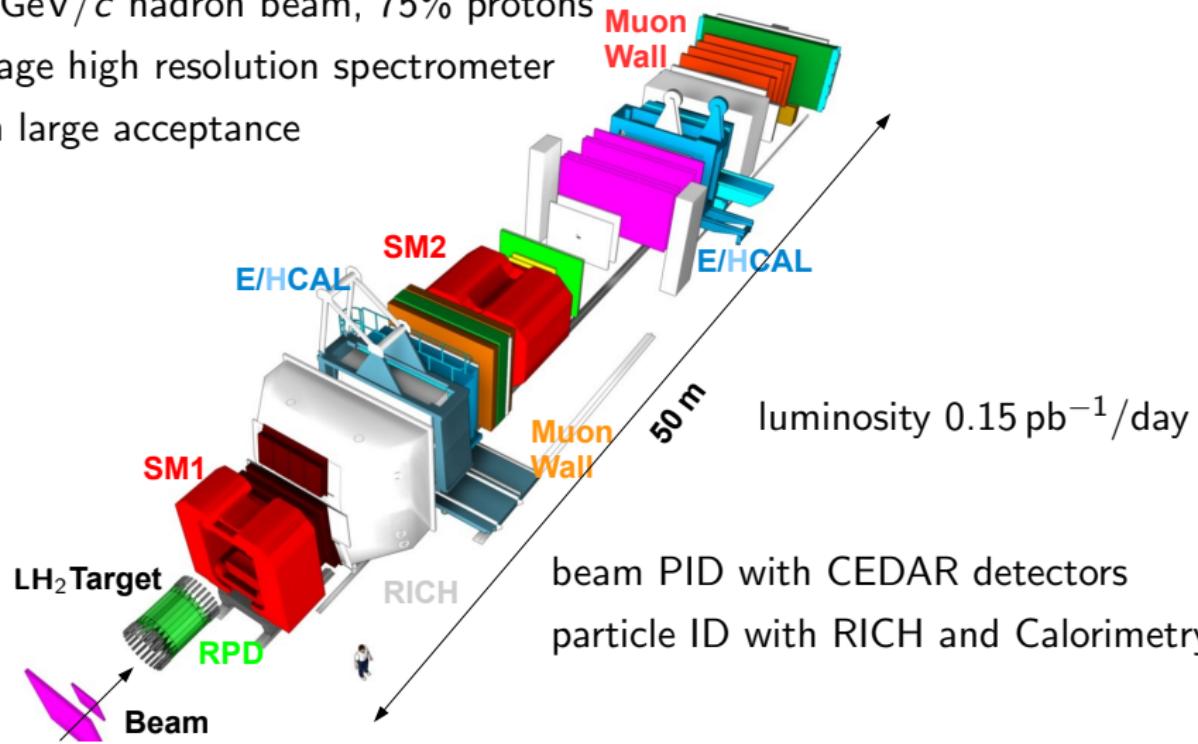
$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \phi X) / \sigma(pp \rightarrow \omega X) \simeq \tan^2(\theta - \theta_0) \simeq 4.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

- Violation of ratio hints at flavour-neutral exchange processes

The COMPASS spectrometer at CERN

190 GeV/c hadron beam, 75% protons

2 stage high resolution spectrometer
with large acceptance

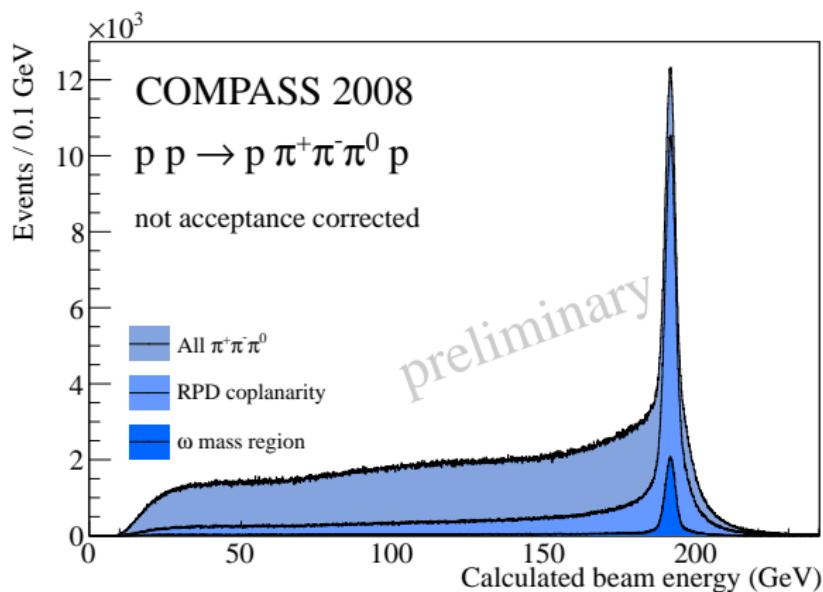


Event selection of exclusive vector meson production

Study at COMPASS:

Compare $\phi(1020) \rightarrow K^+K^-$ to $\omega(782) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ production

Exclusive events:



Analysis

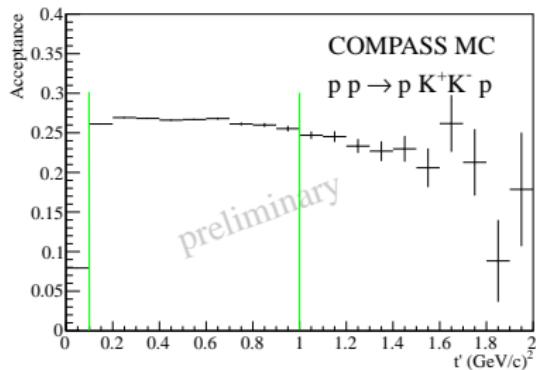
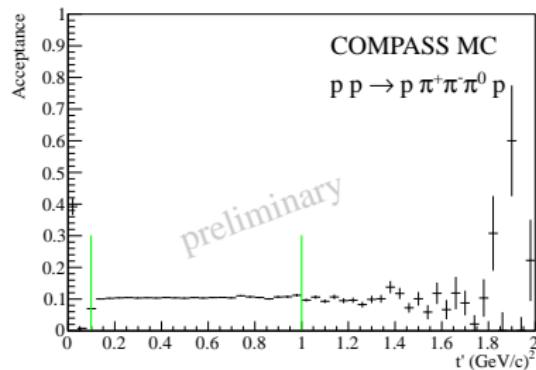
Restriction to similar, well-known phase space for both ω and ϕ by cuts on

- longitudinal momentum share: $0.6 < x_F < 0.9$
- momentum transfer: $0.1 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2 < t' < 1 \text{ (GeV}/c)^2$
- mass of pV system
 - ① $1.8 \text{ GeV}/c^2 < M(p\omega) < 4.0 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
 - ② $2.1 \text{ GeV}/c^2 < M(p\phi) < 4.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

Method:

- ① Monte-Carlo simulation of apparatus acceptance, correction in t' , x_F and M_{pV}
- ② fit acceptance corrected invariant mass distributions in x_F bins
- ③ correct for branching
- ④ calculate $R = \frac{\text{Number of } \phi}{\text{Number of } \omega}$

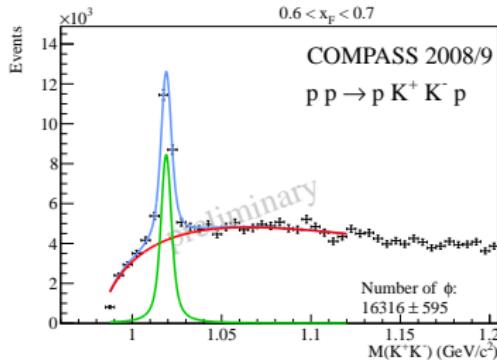
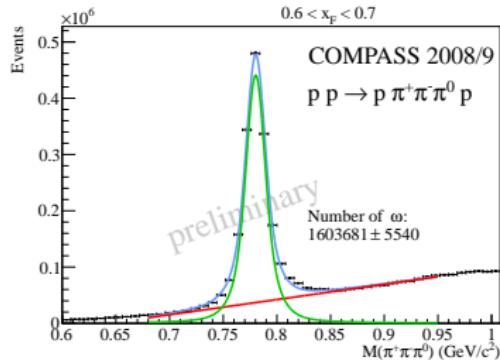
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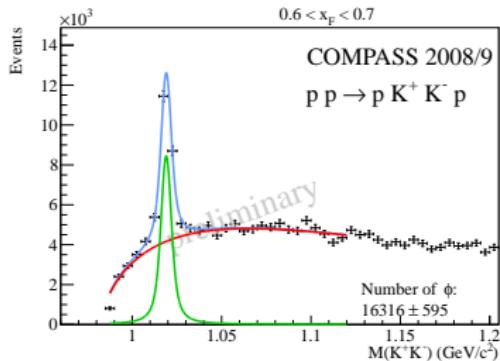
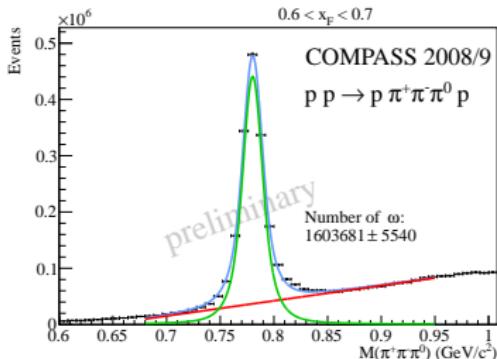
Preliminary Results $R_{\phi/\omega}$



Systematic uncertainties:

- background subtraction
- apparatus knowledge (ECAL+RICH efficiencies)

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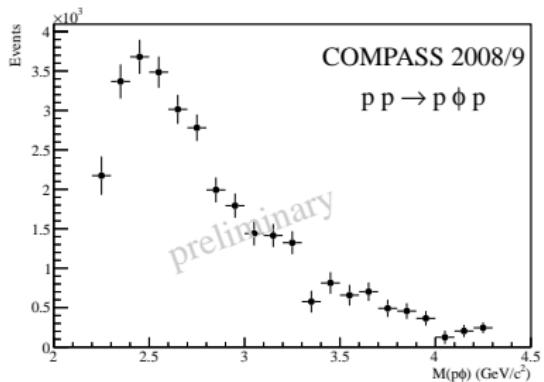
Differential cross section ratio $R_{\phi/\omega}(x_F)$ (*preliminary*):

x_F	$R_{\phi/\omega}$	OZI violation factor
0.6-0.7	0.019	4.5 ± 0.6
0.7-0.8	0.017	4.0 ± 0.5
0.8-0.9	0.012	2.9 ± 0.4

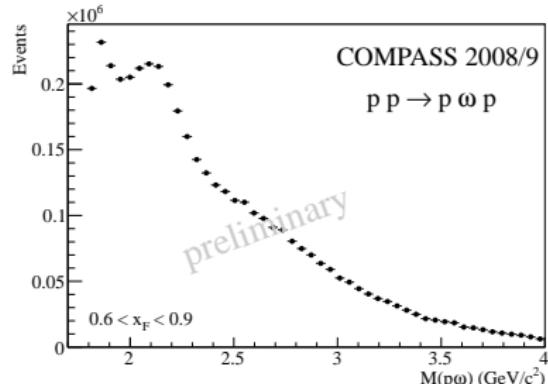
OZI violation

Observation: Lower violation than found by previous experiments

Investigate mass distribution of pV system:



$p\phi$: phase-space-like, no structures



$p\omega$: resonances

Preliminary Results $R_{\phi/\omega}$ - II

cut on vector meson momentum p_V

- independent of ω/ϕ mass differences

	$p_V > 1.0 \text{ (GeV}/c)$		$p_V > 1.4 \text{ (GeV}/c)$	
x_F	$R_{\phi/\omega}$	OZI viol.	$R_{\phi/\omega}$	OZI viol.
0.6-0.7	0.032	7.6 ± 1.0		
0.7-0.8	0.038	9.0 ± 1.1	0.033	7.9 ± 1.1
0.8-0.9	0.019	4.5 ± 0.6	0.032	7.6 ± 1.0

preliminary!

Spin Alignment

another handle to distinguish production mechanisms:
cross section linearly parameterised² in terms of
spin density matrix element ρ_{00}

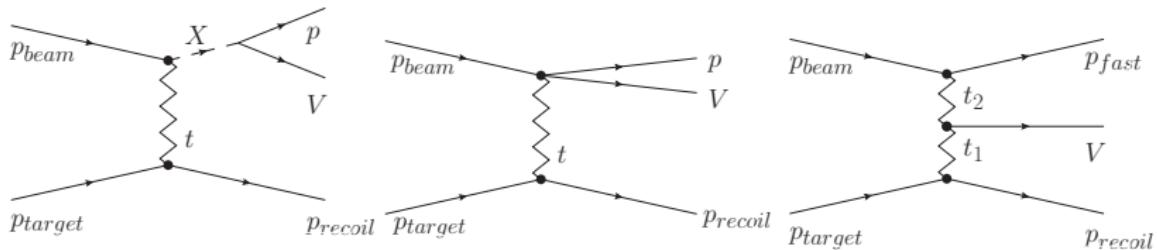
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{4}{3} (1 - \rho_{00} + (3\rho_{00} - 1) \cos^2\theta)$$

$\rho_{00} = 0$ long. alignment, $\rho_{00} = 0.33$ arbitrary alignment, $\rho_{00} = 1$
transverse alignment

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Spin Alignment

Spin density matrix has representation depending on reference frame
resonant (diffractive) non-resonant central



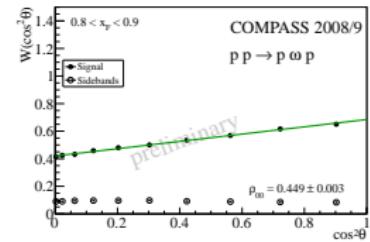
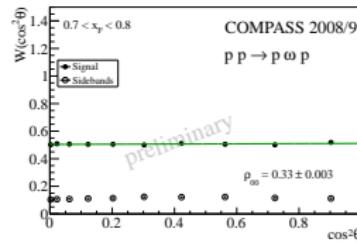
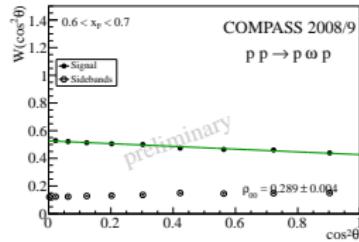
- helicity frame: $\hat{z} = |\vec{X}|$ in CM(V) system
sensitive to diffractive / resonant production
- exchange frame: $\hat{z} = |\vec{p}_{beam} - \vec{p}_{fast}|$
sensitive to central mechanisms / two particle exchanges

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ω , helicity frame:



$$\rho_{00} = 0.289 \pm 0.004$$

$$\rho_{00} = 0.33 \pm 0.003$$

$$\rho_{00} = 0.449 \pm 0.003$$

preliminary!

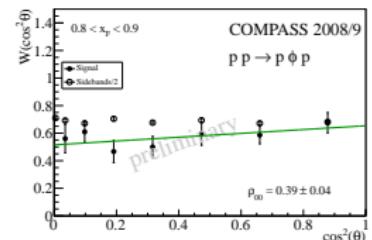
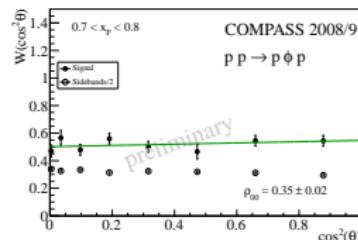
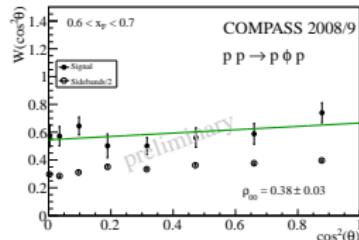
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ϕ , helicity frame:



$$\rho_{00} = 0.38 \pm 0.03$$

$$\rho_{00} = 0.35 \pm 0.02$$

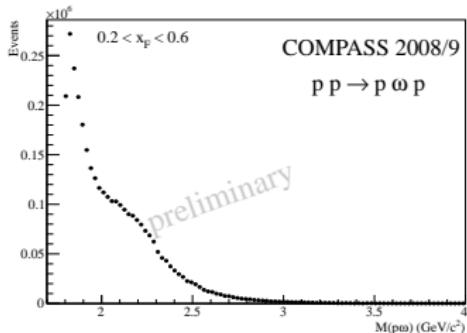
$$\rho_{00} = 0.39 \pm 0.04$$

preliminary!

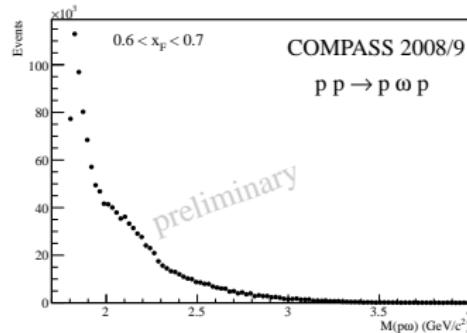
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Resonances in the $p\omega$ system

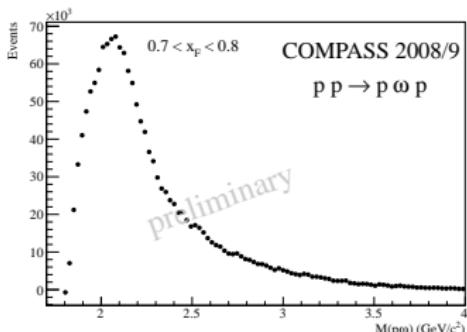
$0.2 < x_F < 0.6$



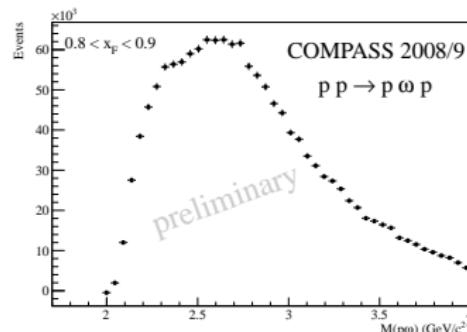
$0.6 < x_F < 0.7$



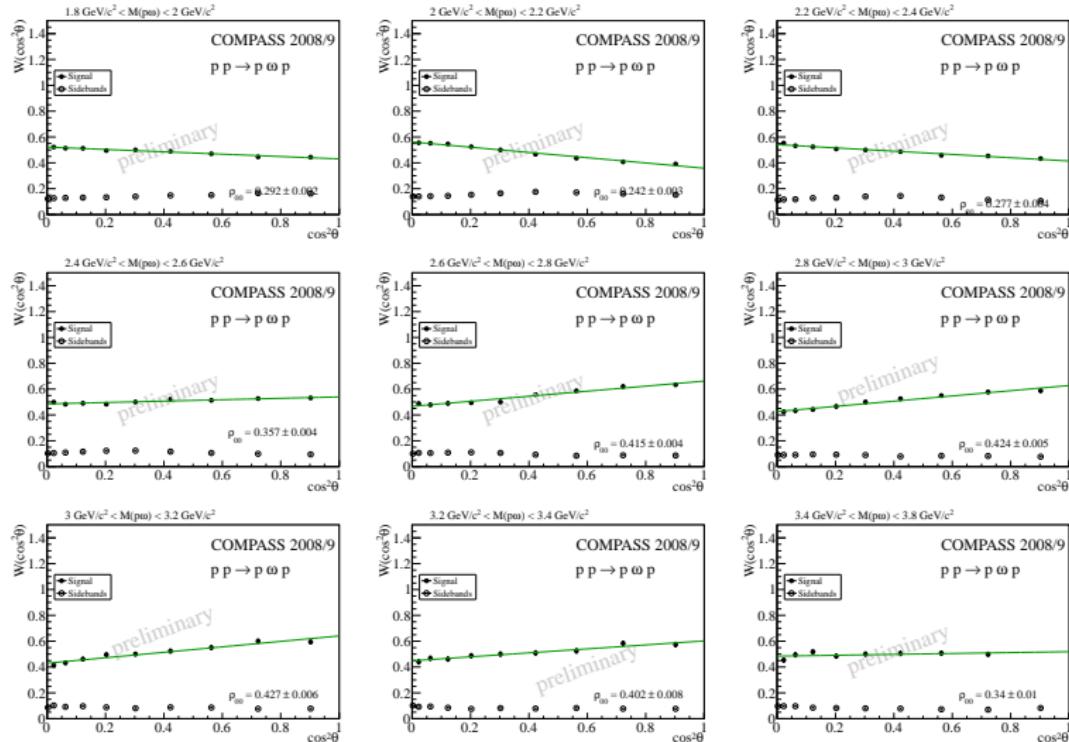
$0.7 < x_F < 0.8$



$0.8 < x_F < 0.9$

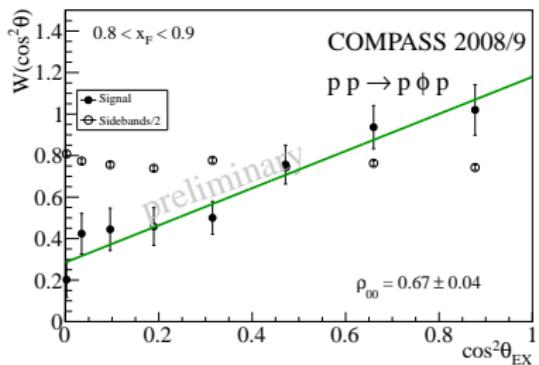
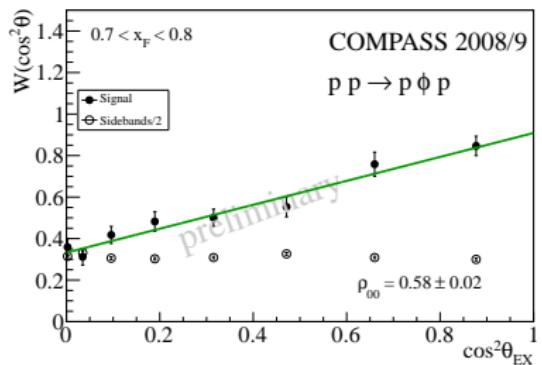
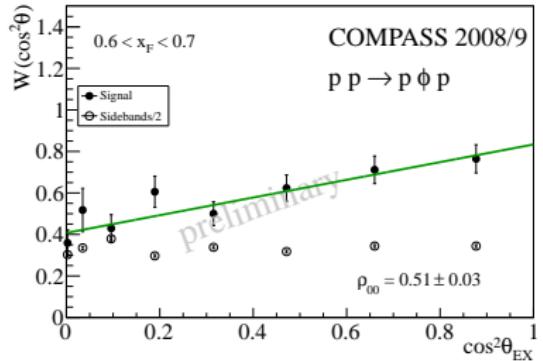


Helicity frame: scan over $p\omega$ mass

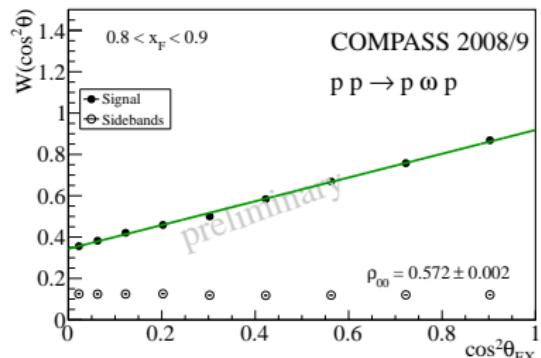
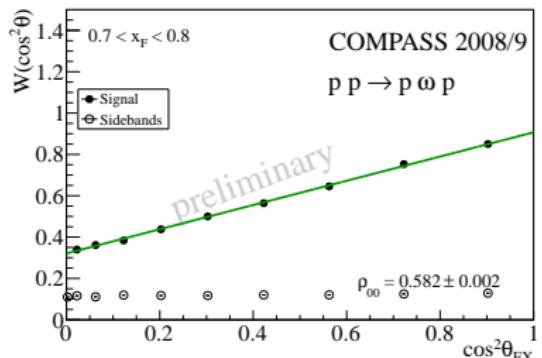
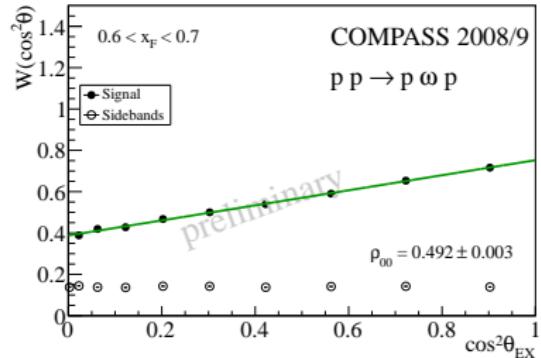
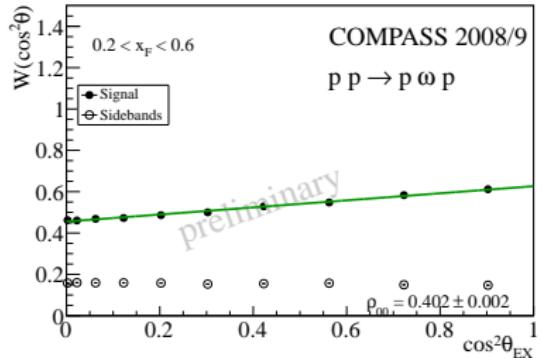


mass range $1.8\text{-}3.8 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

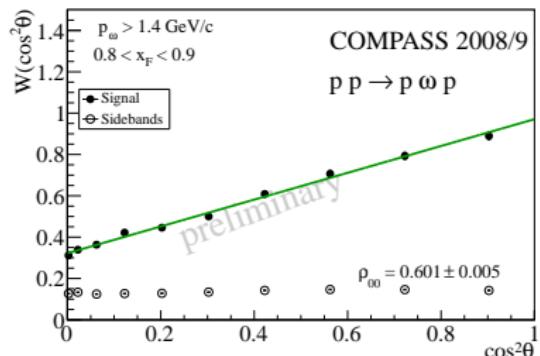
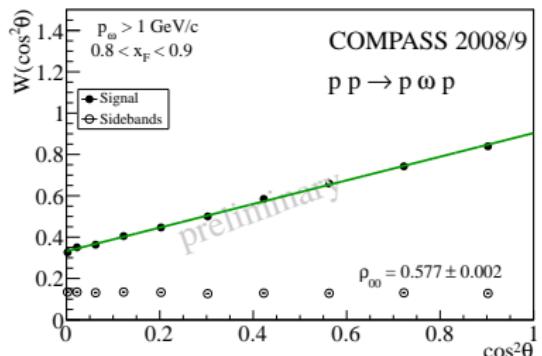
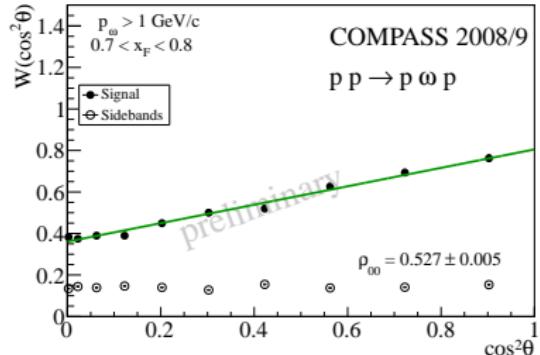
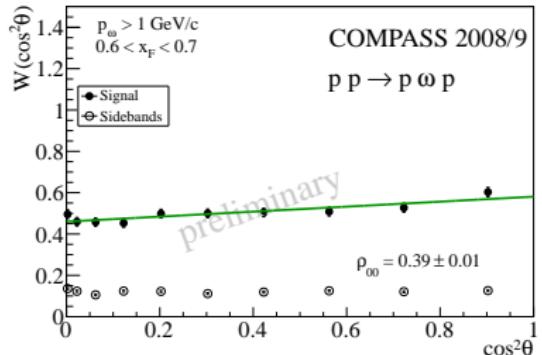
Exchange frame: Spin alignment ϕ



Exchange frame: Spin alignment ω



Exchange frame: Spin alignment ω with mass cuts



Summary

Study of production mechanisms *via*

- ① OZI rule violation / production ratio $R(\phi/\omega)$
- ② spin alignment

Results:

- found OZI violation of factor 3-4, low violation due to $p\omega$ resonances
- OZI violation universally 8 when visible $p\omega$ resonances excluded
(interestingly, also for low energy measurements near threshold!)
- weak alignment of ϕ mesons, no obvious structures in $p\phi$ mass spectrum due to OZI suppression
- resonances in $p\omega$, sensitivity in helicity frame
→ diffractive production
- strong sensitivities in exchange frame for ω and ϕ
→ central production / knock-out

Backup

Reaction	x_F	ρ_{00}	$Unc.$
$pp \rightarrow pp\phi$	0.6-0.7	0.38	0.03
$pp \rightarrow pp\phi$	0.7-0.8	0.35	0.02
$pp \rightarrow pp\phi$	0.8-0.9	0.39	0.04
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega$	0.2-0.6	0.232	0.003
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$pp \rightarrow pp\omega$	0.7-0.8	0.330	0.003
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega$	0.8-0.9	0.449	0.003
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega, p_V > 1.0 \text{ GeV/c}$	0.2-0.6	0.30	0.01
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega, p_V > 1.0 \text{ GeV/c}$	0.6-0.7	0.34	0.01
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega, p_V > 1.0 \text{ GeV/c}$	0.7-0.8	0.306	0.006
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega, p_V > 1.0 \text{ GeV/c}$	0.8-0.9	0.463	0.003
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega, p_V > 1.4 \text{ GeV/c}$	0.8-0.9	0.37	0.03

helicity frame, *preliminary!*

Reaction	x_F	ρ_{00}	$Unc.$
$pp \rightarrow pp\phi$	0.6-0.9	0.39	0.02
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega$	0.2-0.6	0.408	0.002
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega$	0.6-0.7	0.492	0.003
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega$	0.7-0.8	0.582	0.002
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega$	0.8-0.9	0.572	0.002
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega, p_V > 1.0 \text{ GeV}/c$	0.6-0.7	0.39	0.01
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega, p_V > 1.0 \text{ GeV}/c$	0.7-0.8	0.527	0.005
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega, p_V > 1.0 \text{ GeV}/c$	0.8-0.9	0.577	0.002
$pp \rightarrow pp\omega, p_V > 1.4 \text{ GeV}/c$	0.8-0.9	0.601	0.005

exchange frame, *preliminary!*