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Hadronic rescattering to solve helicity puzzle in $B^+ \to p\bar{p}\pi^+(K^+)$ decays

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Experimental results indicate opposite helicity angle θ_p distributions in $B^+ \to p\bar{p}\pi^+$ and $B^+ \to p\bar{p}K^+$ decays with the difference presenting a remarkable linear dependence on $\cos\theta_p$.

We assume the production mechanism is driven by $B^+ \to xy \, m^+ \to p\bar{p}m^+$, where $m=\pi$ or K, and xy represents favorable mesonic decay channels producing $p\bar{p}$.

From that, I will present a model that includes three-body final state interaction between the p, \bar{p} and π^+ or K^+ considering the dominance of elastic channels π^+p and $K^+\bar{p}$ interactions below 2\,GeV/c².

I will show that our three-body framework with FSI explains qualitatively the observed opposite behavior of the helicity distributions and the observed linearity.

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