Performance for Λ hyperon anisotropic flow measurements in CBM at FAIR

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Introduction

Strange particles are important probes of the medium created in HIC:

> ○ Strange hyperons yield depend on nuclear matter density and in the mixed phase state becomes comparable with yield of hadrons made of light quarks

Asymmetry in strange particle emission can shed light on the compressibility of nuclear matter

Flow of strangeness at FAIR energies

Anisotropic flow:

Spatial anisotropy of the energy density of the medium produced in HIC converts to momentum anisotropy of the produced particles $\frac{1}{\frac{3}{5}}$ due to interaction between them converts to momentum anisotropy of the produced particles due to interaction between them

Azimuthal angle distribution of produced particles is decomposed in Fourier series:

$$
\rho(\varphi,p_T,y)\propto 1+2\sum_{n=1}^\infty v_n(p_T,y)\cos(n(\varphi-\Psi_{RP}))
$$

$$
v_n = \langle \cos[n(\varphi - \Psi_{RP})] \rangle
$$

Event plane method

Main observable

$$
v_n(p_T,y)=\langle cos([n(\varphi-\Psi_{RP})])\rangle
$$

Flow vector

$$
\mathbf{u}_{n,i} = \{ \cos n\varphi_i, \sin n\varphi_i \} \\ \mathbf{Q}_n = \mathop{\textstyle \sum}_{i=1}^{M_Q} w_i \mathbf{u}_{n,i}
$$

in case of w=1

Estimation of the reaction plane angle

$$
\Psi_{EP}^{n}=\tfrac{1}{n}atan2(Q_{x}^{n},Q_{y}^{n})
$$

One needs to use the resolution correction factor R_{n} , which quantify how well the estimation of the event plane is correlated with ψ_{RP} .

$$
R_n = \langle \cos n(\Psi_{RP} - \Psi_{EP}^n) \rangle
$$

$$
\mathbf{q}_n(p_T,y)=\textstyle\sum\limits_{i=1}^{M_u} w_i \mathbf{u}_{n,i} / \sum\limits_{j=1}^{M_u} w_j
$$

The observable for v_n becomes:

$$
v_n = \tfrac{1}{R_n} \langle \mathbf{q}_n \tfrac{\mathbf{Q}_n}{|\mathbf{Q}_n|} \rangle
$$

Corrections for azimuthal non-uniformity

Non-uniformity of experimental setup in φ (fiducial volume, magnetic field, additional material etc.) biases results for flow observables

Subtracting from the q-vector components their average values

Rotating the q-vector distribution

Recentering

Twist

correction

Rescale

correction

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 $Q_{\rm s}$ correction

 Q_{x}

 Q_{x}

Rescaling q-vector distribution in (x,y) directions

Correction procedure: I. Selyuzhenkov and S. Voloshin, PRC77, 034904 (2008) Software package: QnTools by L. Kreis and I. Selyuzhenkov, *<https://github.com/HeavyIonAnalysis/QnTools>* Interface for flow analysis: V. Klochkov and I. Selyuzhenkov, *https://git.cbm.gsi.de/pwg-c2f/analysis/flow*

Closure test of the efficiency implementation in QnTools

MC toy model setup

- Simulated input (sim):
	- $\phi \quad \frac{dN}{dp_T} \sim e^{-ap_T}$ \circ $\frac{dN}{du} \sim e^{-\frac{(y-y_{beam})^2}{\sigma_y}}$
	- $v_1(p_T,y) = v_1(p_T) = \langle \cos(\varphi \Psi_{RP}) \rangle = 0.1 p_T$ \circ
	- \circ ~ 30 M test particles
- Model reconstruction efficiency
	- $\varepsilon(p_T, y) = \varepsilon(p_T) = k p_T + b \quad (k > 0)$
- Correlations with q-vector weight:

$$
w_i(p_T,y) = \tfrac{1}{\varepsilon(p_{Ti},y_i)}
$$

Compare framework output with the known input

MC closure test outcome

*) Set as an input or calculated analytically

Conclusion: With QnTools input flow values are reproduced within statistical precision of the simulated sample

CBM experiment & detector subsystems relevant for hyperon reconstruction

- **Fixed target**
	- \circ High interaction rate ~10⁷ Hz
- Tracking system: Micro-Vertex Detector (MVD) + Silicon Tracking System (STS)
	- \circ acceptance for Λ: 1 < y_{LAB} < 2.5
	- Track reconstruction: 12 spatial points from STS&MVD
	- magnetic field: 1 Tm
	- momentum resolution: Δp/p~1.5-2%
	- decay vertex resolution: 50-100 μm along z-axis
- Charged hadrons identification: Time of Flight (TOF)

TOF

Short-lived particles decay reconstruction

Two implementations based on KFParticle mathematics:

KFPFinder (online optimized)

- fast and vectorized
- all-in-one package
- more than 150 decay channels
- V0 decay topology, missing mass method

M. Zyzak et. al. *https://git.cbm.gsi.de/CbmSoft/KFParticle*

PFSimple (physics analysis driven)

- user controlled reconstruction process, all intermediate variables written to the output

V0-decay reconstruction algorithm

V0 selection cuts: Each negative track is combined with each positive (PID hypothesis can be applied)

- \bullet χ^2 μ _{prim} χ^2 of extrapolation of the daughter track to the primary vertex
- **DCA** distance of closest approach between proton and pion tracks
- \bullet χ^2 _{geo} - χ² of extrapolation of daughter tracks to their point of closest approach
- **α_{λp}** angle between proton and lambda momenta
- **L/ΔL** distance between primary and secondary vertex divided by its error
- χ^2 _{topo} χ^2 of extrapolation of the V₀-candidate trajectory to the primary vertex

Λ hyperon flow analysis configuration

Simulation setup:

- 5M events
- Au+Au
- 12*A* GeV/*c*
- **HI Event generator:** DCM-QGSM-SMM
- **GEANT4** transport

Λ-candidates selection cuts:

- \bullet χ^2 ^{pos} $p_{\text{prim}} = 26$
- \bullet χ^2 neg $p_{\text{prim}} = 110$
- $\cos\alpha_{\text{p}} = 0.99825$
- $|/\Lambda| = 4$
- $DCA = 0.15$ cm
- \bullet χ^2 2 geo = 11
- $\chi^2_{\text{topo}} = 29$
	- PID selection: GEANT PDG code of daughters

Λ hyperon categories:

MC-true Λ: Λ's from HI event generator

Λ-candidate: pairs of proton + pion passed selection criteria

Reconstructed Λ: Λ-candidates matched with MC-true Λ

 \mathbf{p}

CBM event display

PFSimple performance for Λ reconstruction

Inv. mass distribution of Λ-candidates

Reconstruction efficiency (p_T, y)

High signal to background ratio: S/B ≈30 Good reconstruction efficiency in the midrapidity region

Azimuthal non-uniformity of Λ reconstruction

Λ azimuthal non-uniformity is driven by proton's daughter non-uniformity (m_{pion} << m_p ~ m_∧)

Require differential corrections for non-uniform azimuthal acceptance: Use QnTools for analysis

Systematics in \wedge hyperon v_1 analysis

Separate x/y correlations for detector effects study:

 $v_{1x} = \langle q_{1x} \cos \Psi_{RP} \rangle$

$$
v_{1y}=\langle q_{1y}\sin\Psi_{RP}\rangle
$$

• Correct effect of (p_T, y) -dependent efficiency via q-vector weights:

$$
\mathbf{q}_n = \sum_{i=1}^M w_i \mathbf{u}_{n,i} / \sum_{j=1}^M w_j
$$

Different correction steps applied with QnTools

Red box indicates acceptance region used for analysis

All following results are calculated relative to ψ_{pp}

PSD plane resolution study: see talk by O. Golosov (27/08)

p_T -dependence of $v_{1,x}$: no corrections

p_T -dependence of $v_{1,x}$: recentering

p_T -dependence of $v_{1,x}$: twist

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Recentering

 p_T -dependence of $v_{1,x}$: rescale

p_T -dependence of v_{1,x}: effect of efficiency weights

After performing all correction steps and applying efficiency weights the result reproduces MC input

Rapidity dependence of $v_{1,x}$

v₁ rapidity dependence

 $v_{1x} = \langle q_{1x} \cos \Psi_{RP} \rangle$ $v_{1y} = \langle q_{1y} \sin \Psi_{RP} \rangle$

Positive slope of \wedge v₁ is reproduced

 $\mathsf{v}_{1\mathsf{x}}^{}$ shows better agreement with input $\mathsf{v}_\mathsf{1}^{}$ than $\mathsf{v}_{\mathsf{1}\mathsf{y}}^{}$

more differential analysis (more statistics) is needed

v₁ centrality dependence

p_T-dependence of v₁

Extracting flow with v_n vs inv. mass method

In case of large combinatorial background (e.g. multi-strange hyperons)

Extracting flow with v_n vs inv. mass method

In case of large combinatorial background (e.g. multi-strange hyperons) need a procedure to separate contribution to $\mathsf{v}_{\mathsf{n}}^{}$.

Measurement technique

Step 1. Measure and parametrize/fit signal & background yields vs. invariant mass m_{inv}

- signal shape: Gaussian
- background shape: smooth function (polynomial)

$$
v^{V0}\{m_{\text{inv}}\} = \frac{v^{\text{sig}}N_{\text{sig}}\{m_{\text{inv}}\} + v^{\text{bg}}\{m_{\text{inv}}\}N_{\text{bg}}\{m_{\text{inv}}\}}{N_{\text{sig}}\{m_{\text{inv}}\} + N_{\text{bg}}\{m_{\text{inv}}\}}
$$

Step 2. Measure and fit flow of $\mathsf{V}_{_{\textrm{0}}}$ candidates

- \bullet $v^{V0}(m_{inv})$ measured
- \bullet $v^{sig} = inv(m_{inv})$ sought. Constant fitting parameter
- \bullet v^{bg}(m_{inv}) assumed to be a smooth function (polynomial)

Summary

- Investigated performance of the CBM experiment for anisotropic flow of Λ hyperons
	- \circ Differential measurements (p_T, y, centrality)
	- \circ Positive slope of lambda v_1 as a function of rapidity is reproduced
	- \circ Slope of lambda v₁ changes sign at centrality around 50%
- Detector biases and corresponding corrections were studied:
	- \circ (p_T, y) dependence of efficiency (reweighting q-vectors)
	- φ non-uniformity (recentering, twist and rescaling q-vectors)

Outlook

- \bullet Perform differential analysis with refined binning in p_T , y and centrality (requires higher statistics)
- Take into account feed down of secondary Λ 's (e.g. from cascades)
- Use PSD signals for the spectator plane determination