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Analysis of Λ -hyperon production in carbon-nucleus run



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Physical motivation BM@N experiment



Setup scheme



Central tracker:

- One plane of a forward Si detector;
- 6 GEM stations:
 - 5 GEM detectors (66x41 cm²);
 - 2 GEM detectors (163x45 cm²);

Triggers: BD, BC₁, BC₂, T₀, VETO

Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM) system: To measure momenta of a charged particle;

Event reconstruction in GEM in C+A interaction;

Trigger efficiency

The trigger efficiency was evaluated by a convolution of the **GEANT simulation** of the barrel detector response to DCM-QGSM events with reconstructed Λ hyperons and the GEANT simulation of delta electrons.

The systematic errors in Table 1 cover:

$$\varepsilon_{trig} = N_{sim_{\Lambda}}(BD \ge n)/N_{sim_{all}}$$

- 1) Contribution of delta electrons;
- 2) The spread of the trigger efficiencies calculated for different y and p_T bins of the reconstructed Λ -hyperons;
- 3) Change in the trigger efficiency after correction of the simulated track multiplicity in agreement with the experimental data.



Data and Monte - Carlo comparison

C+Cu interactions at **4.0 AGeV** beam energy



Blue line - MC, red line - data.

Data and Monte-Carlo comparison

Reaction C+Cu, energy **4.0** AGeV

Cuts were applied as follow: dca<1.0, path>2.5



- $1 \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{The experiment accumulated data, but the statistics from the} \\ \text{reconstructed selected } \Lambda \text{ candidates are not very rich}(N_{\text{DATA}} \sim 5.9 \times 10^5). \end{array}$
- 2 The high statistic MC data set was generated: $(N_{MC} \sim 3.8 \times 10^7)$. MC were tuned to data and acceptance was evaluated in (y, p_T) cells with good pression.
- **3** Each event was weighted with the acceptance for each cell.

1D distributions in y or p_T were evaluated as the projections of **2D** distributions to the corresponding kinematic variable.

Extrapolation to low acceptance (y, p_T) cells



Extrapolation steps:

Extrapolation based on the DCM – QGSM model;

Extrapolation factor is calculated $f_{extr} = \frac{N_{all}}{N_{con}}$, N_{all} – sum of all generated events; N_{con} – sum of generated events in cells with high acceptance;

f_{extr} - is used for evaluation of production cross section in full kinematic range;

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Mass distribution of the Λ (BM@N DATA)



Procedure in DATA C+A \rightarrow X

- 1) Split (y, pT) area in small cells for MC/DATA (8x8);
- 2) To each event assigned the weight ε_i ;

3) Sum the cells by
$$\sum_{ij} y_{ij}$$
 and by $\sum_{ij} pT_{ij}$

 $0.1 < p_T < 1.05$ and $1.2 < y_{lab} < 2.1$

Λ signal width ~ 2.0 - 4 MeV;
Signal = hist – Background in 1107.5 - 1125 MeV/c²;

The suppression factors

The suppression factors of reconstructed events \mathcal{E}_{pileup} due to selection **criteria** applied to eliminate beam halo and pile-up events in interactions of the 4.0 and 4.5 AGeV carbon beam with the C, Al, Cu, Pb targets.

Table 2. E_{pileup} suppression factors

Selection	4 AGeV	4.5 AGeV
T0==1	+	+
BC2==1	+	+
Veto==0	+	+
С	0.674±0.034	0.529±0.026
Al	0.740 ± 0.037	0.618±0.031
Cu	0.779±0.039	0.621±0.031
Pb	0.784±0.039	0.686±0.034

- ε_{pileup} is used for evaluation of
- production cross section;

Number of signals in the start detector: $T_0=1$

Preliminary systematics evaluation:

$$\delta \varepsilon_{pileup_{SYS}} = \varepsilon_{pileup} \cdot \delta \varepsilon_{pileup};$$

where $\delta \varepsilon_{pileup} = 5\%$



Cross sections $\sigma_{\Lambda}(y/p_T)$ of the Λ

The inclusive cross section σ_{Λ} of Λ hyperon in C+A interactions are calculated in bins of (y, p_T) according to the formula: weighted signal

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\Lambda}(p_{T}) &= \left[\sum_{y} N_{rec}^{\Lambda}(y, p_{T}) / \varepsilon_{rec}(y, p_{T})\right] / \left[\varepsilon_{trig} \cdot \varepsilon_{pileup} \cdot L\right] \\ \sigma_{\Lambda}(y) &= \left[\sum_{p_{T}} N_{rec}^{\Lambda}(y, p_{T}) / \varepsilon_{rec}(y, p_{T})\right] / \left[\varepsilon_{trig} \cdot \varepsilon_{pileup} \cdot L\right] \end{aligned}$$

L is the luminosity, N_{rec}^{Λ} is the number of recontacted Λ -hyperons, \mathcal{E}_{rec} is the combined efficiency of the Λ - hyperon reconstruction, \mathcal{E}_{trig} is the trigger efficiency, \mathcal{E}_{pileup} is the suppression factors of reconstructed events.

Table 3. Integrated **luminosities** collected in interactions of the carbon beam of 4.0 and 4.5AGeV with different targets.

Intoractions		Integrated		
torgot thicknoss		luminosity/		
target thickness		10 ³⁰ cm ⁻²		
C+C (9 mm)	4 AGeV	6.06	4.5 AGeV	4.69
C+Al (12 mm)		2.39		3.60
C+Cu (5 mm)		2.00		3.06
C+Pb (10 mm)		0.22		0.84

Yields of the Λ

The Y_{Λ} of Λ hyperon in C+A interactions are calculated in bins of (y, p_T) cells according to the formula:

$$Y_{\Lambda}(y, p_T) = \sigma_{\Lambda}(y, p_T) / \sigma_{inel}$$

 σ_{inel} is the cross section for minimum bias inelastic C+A interactions(model).

The cross sections for inelastic C+Al, C+Cu, C+Pb interactions calculated by the formula (DCM-QGSM): $\sigma_{inel} = \pi R_0^2 (A_P^{1/3} + A_T^{1/3})^2$

 $R_0 = 1.2$ fm is an effective nucleon radius, A_P and A_T are atomic numbers of the beam and target nucleus [1]. The **uncertainties** for C+Al, C+Cu, C+Pb inelastic cross sections are estimated by formula: $\sigma_{inel} = \pi R_0^2 (A_P^{1/3} + A_T^{1/3} - b)^2$ with $R_0 = 1.46$ fm and b = 1.21 [2].

Interaction	C+C	C+Al	C+Cu	C+Pb
Inelastic cross section, mb	830±50	1260±50	1790±50	3075±50

Table 4. Inelastic cross sections σ_{inel} for carbon-nucleus interactions

[1] Kalliopi Kanaki "Study of A hyperon production in C+C collisions at 2 AGeV beam energy with the HADES spectrometer".

[2] H.Angelov et al., P1-80-473, JINR, Dubna.



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Systematics from variations of **dca** and **path** parameters ± 10 % systematics is within ± 10 %; Systematics from variations of signals under different approaches to background estimation is $\pm 15\%$;

Full systematics is given in the tables

Target	Energy, AGeV	$Y_{\Lambda} \pm \Delta Y_{\text{stat}\Lambda} \pm \Delta Y_{\Lambda_{sys}}$	Energy, AGeV	$Y_{\Lambda} \pm \Delta Y_{\text{stat}\Lambda} \pm \Delta Y_{\Lambda_{sys}}$
	0.1 <]	p _T <1.05 and 1.2 < y _{lab} < 2.1	(Full acceptance	e)
C + C		$0.011 \pm 0.001 \pm 0.004$		$0.013 \pm 0.002 \pm 0.005$
C + Al	4.0	$0.032 \pm 0.004 \pm 0.006$	15	$0.025 \pm 0.003 \pm 0.005$
C + Cu	4.0	$0.030 \pm 0.003 \pm 0.005$	4.3	$0.037 \pm 0.004 \pm 0.006$
C + Pb		$0.039 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.009$		$0.033 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.010$

5.1	0.20	24	
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Invariant p_T spectra of A hyperons vs models predictions(Preliminary)



The measured spectra of the Λ yields in p_T are parameterized by the formula:

$$1/p_T d^2 N/dp_T dy = N \cdot \exp(-(m_T - m_A)/T_0)$$

The transverse mass $m_T = \sqrt{m_A^2 + p_T^2}$,

The N normalization,

The inverse slope parameter T_0 are free parameters of the fit;



Invariant \mathbf{p}_{T} **spectra** of Λ hyperons vs models predictions(Preliminary)



SLOPE RESULTS (Preliminary)

	T ₀ , MeV,	T ₀ , MeV,	T ₀ MeV,	T ₀ MeV,
	C+C	C+Al	C+Cu	C+Pb
BM@N	114 ±19 ±17	108±16±16	96 ±14 ±14	83±8±12
DCM - QGSM	126	120	133	130
UrQMD	107	128	133	136
PHSD	87	100	105	98

	T ₀ , MeV,				
4.3 AGEV	C+C	C+Al	C+Cu	C+Pb	
BM@N	116±24±17	115±7±17	101±3±15	Due to low statistics	
DCM - QGSM	132	133	135	142	
UrQMD	122	128	130	134	
PHSD	101	106	109	108	

BM@N group (2022 - 2023, Xe + CsI data)





Event selection criteria



Number of signals in the veto counter around the beam: Veto=0 5 Trigger condition in the barrel detector: number of signals BD>=2 or BD>=3 (run dependent)



*K. A. Alishina, Yu. Yu. Stepanenko, A.Y Khukhaeva" Gem residuals corrections in monte-carlo simulation for the run 6 at the BM@N experiment", PEPAN letters – volume 19, part 5, 2022

GEM efficiencies comparison Data/MC (4.0GeV C+C) after applying effs to MC



For each GEM station they were estimated using the following approach:

- 1. Select good quality tracks with the number of hits per track (excluding the station under study) not less than N;
- 2. Check that track crosses the detector area, if yes, add one track to the denominator;
- 3. If there is a hit in the detector, which belongs to the track, add one track to the numerator;
- 4. **GEM** efficiency = sum of tracks in numerator / sum of tracks in denominator.

1D GEM efficiency comparison between the experimental data and MC (4.0GeV C+C)



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Selection of events with Λ hyperon



K. A. Alishina, Yu. Yu. Stepanenko, "Study of Λ-hyperon production in collisions of heavy ions with solid targets in the BM@N experiment" volume 21, part 4, 2024

X, Y, Z distributions of the experimental primary vertex



Pseudo-experiment

In each bin the bin content was modified by gaussian distribution with the widths equal to the bin error.

The "new" histogram was fit an the new signal was evaluated.

Procedure was repeated 1000 times and the signal variation are presented in a bottom histogram.



Red Line – Fit function
$$Gauss(< N^{\Lambda}_{rec_{MC}} >, \sigma_{N^{\Lambda}_{rec_{MC}}})$$

Each event is weighted with $\varepsilon_i = \langle N_{rec_{MC}}^{\Lambda} \rangle_i / N_{gen_i}^{\Lambda}$ is evaluated number of Λ , $N_{gen_i}^{\Lambda}$ is the number of Λ generated; $\Delta \varepsilon_i = \sigma_{N_{rec_{MC}i}} / N_{gen_i}^{\Lambda}$ is evaluated error.

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Spectrometer acceptance $(\varepsilon_i \pm \Delta \varepsilon_i)$ for Λ in (y, p_T) cells

C+Al, E_{kin} = 4 AGeV

 $C+C, E_{kin} = 4 AGeV$



Spectrometer acceptance $(\varepsilon_i \pm \Delta \varepsilon_i)$ for Λ in (y, p_T) cells

 $C+C, E_{kin} = 4.5 \text{ AGeV}$



C+Cu, Ekin= 4.5 AGeV

GeV/c	1	- 	0.001 ± 0	0.004 ± 0.001	0.009 ± 0.002	0.015 ± 0.003	0.031 ± 0.005	0.029 ± 0.007	0.014 ± 0.007		0.05	pseudo_exp
р ₁ ,	0.9	-	0.002 ± 0	0.008 ± 0.001	0.016 ± 0.001	0.019 ± 0.002	0.029 ± 0.004	0.042 ± 0.005	0.036 ± 0.007	_	0.04	$\epsilon_{\rm rec}$
	0.7	_0.001 ±0	0.005 ± 0.001	0.014 ± 0.001	0.02 ± 0.001	0.025 ± 0.002	0.031 ± 0.003	0.039 ± 0.004	0.041 ± 0.007		0.03	
	0.6	0.004 ±0	0.01 ± 0.001	0.018 ± 0.001	0.028 ± 0.001	0.028 ± 0.002	0.032 ± 0.003	0.031 ± 0.003	0.036 ± 0.005			
	0.5	0.01 ± 0.001	0.018 ± 0.001	0.025 ± 0.002	$\begin{array}{c} 0.032 \\ \pm \ 0.002 \end{array}$	0.034 ± 0.002	0.03 ± 0.003	0.038 ± 0.003	0.052 ± 0.005	_	0.02	
	0.3	0.012 ± 0.001	0.02 ± 0.001 0.02	0.024 ± 0.002	0.029 ± 0.002	0.025 ± 0.002 0.028	0.031 ± 0.003 0.029	0.036 ± 0.003	0.035 ± 0.005 0.028		0.01	
	0.2	± 0.002 0.015	± 0.002 0.015	± 0.002 0.021	± 0.002 0.025	± 0.002 0.024	± 0.003 0.027	± 0.003 0.026	± 0.005 0.014			
	0.1 1.2	± 0.002 2 1.3	<u>+</u> 0.002 1.4	± 0.002 1.5	± 0.003 1.6	± 0.003 1.7	± 0.003 1.8	<u>, ± 0.004</u> 1.9	2 2.	1	0	
									rapidity			

C+Al, Ekin= 4.5 AGeV



C+Pb, Ekin= 4.5 AGeV

GeV/c	1			0.003 ± 0.001	0.009 ± 0.001	0.015 ± 0.003	0.025 ± 0.004	0.022 ± 0.006	0.008 ± 0.007		0.035
о, Т	0.9 0.8		0.002 ± 0	0.005 ± 0.001	0.011 ± 0.001	0.019 ± 0.002	0.021 ± 0.003	0.019 ± 0.005	0.027 ± 0.007		0.03 ئى
	0.7	0.001 ±0	0.003 ± 0.001	0.009 ± 0.001	0.015 ± 0.001	0.017 ± 0.002	0.018 ± 0.003	0.024 ± 0.004	0.032 ± 0.007		0.025
	0.6	- 0.003 - ± 0	0.008 ± 0.001	0.015 ± 0.001	0.021 ± 0.001	0.023 ± 0.002	0.024 ± 0.002	0.028 ± 0.003	0.033 ± 0.005		0.02
	0.5	=0.006 =± 0.001	0.014 ± 0.001	0.02 ± 0.001	0.022 ± 0.002	0.027 ± 0.002	0.024 ± 0.003	0.027 ± 0.003	0.037 ± 0.005		0.015
	0.3	=0.009 = <u>+</u> 0.001 =0.007	0.015 ± 0.001 0.015	0.022 ± 0.002 0.019	0.02 ± 0.002 0.022	0.022 ± 0.002 0.022	0.023 ± 0.003 0.02	0.024 ± 0.003 0.025	0.028 ± 0.004 0.03	_	0.01
	0.2	± 0.001	± 0.002 0.013	± 0.002 0.013	± 0.002 0.014	± 0.002 0.017	± 0.003 0.019	± 0.003 0.02	± 0.004 0.013	_	0.005
	0.1	2	<u>+</u> 0,002 1.4	± 0.002 1.5	1.6	<u>± 0.003</u> 1.7	± 0.003 1.8	1.9	2 2.	1	0
									rapidity		

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1 part

An approach in the estimation of systematic uncertainties related to the variation of selection criteria for events with Λ -hyperons. The selection criteria considered are **path**, **dca**.

Nominal Analysis: dca < 1 cm, path > 2.5 cm;

Cut variation 1: path > 2.25 cm, **fixed:** dca < 1 cm; path > 2.75 cm,

Cut variation 2:

dca < 0.9 cm, dca < 1.1 cm, **fixed:** path > 2.5 cm;

Combined systematic uncertainties

C+Cu, $E_{kin} = 4.5 \text{ AGeV}$

dca path		Yields (with cut variation)	Yields (nominal analysis)					
	Data statistic –	II period						
Fixed, des <1 em	Path >2.25	0.043 ± 0.004						
Fixed. uca <1 cm	Path >2.75	0.042 ± 0.004	0.025+0.000+0.007					
dca <0.9 cm	Finade Dath > 2.5	0.041 ± 0.004	0.035±0.009±0.007					
dca <1.1 cm	Fixeu: Pain >2.5	0.042 ± 0.004						
Data statistic – I period								
Final das <1 am	Path >2.25	$0.037 {\pm} 0.004$						
Fixed: uca <1 cm	Path >2.75	0.036 ± 0.005	0.025+0.011+0.002					
dca <0.9 cm	Finade Dath > 2.5	0.038 ± 0.004	$0.033 \pm 0.011 \pm 0.003$					
dca <1.1 cm	Fixed: Pain >2.5	0.039 ± 0.005						
Data statistic – (I + II) periods								
	Path >2.25	0.041 ± 0.003						
Fixed: dca <1 cm	Path >2.75	0.041 ± 0.003	0.027+0.007+0.004					
dca <0.9 cm	Final: Dath > 2.5	0.041 ± 0.003	$0.03/\pm0.00/\pm0.004$					
dca <1.1 cm	rixed: Path >2.5	0.041 ± 0.003						

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Uncertainties from signal variation (BM@N DATA)



2 part

Red Line – Fit function Gauss($\langle N_{rec_{DATA}}^{\Lambda} \rangle, \sigma_{N_{rec_{DATA}}^{\Lambda}}$)

 $\begin{array}{l} 0.1 < p_T < 1.05 \\ and \\ 1.2 < y_{lab} < 2.1 \end{array}$

$$\Delta \sigma_{\Lambda} = \sigma_{N_{rec\,DATA}}^{\Lambda} / (\varepsilon_{trig} \times \varepsilon_{pileup} \times L)$$

$$\Delta Y_{\text{stat}\Lambda} = \Delta \sigma_{\Lambda} / \sigma_{inel}$$

Acceptance evaluation procedure (DCM - QGSM)

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Kinematic measuring range (4, 4.5 AGeV):

 $\begin{array}{l} 0.\,1 < p_T < 1.\,05 \; GeV/c \\ 1.2 < y_{lab} < 2.1 \end{array}$

р_Т, **GeV**/с



Divide the kinematic measuring range by y, p_T into (8×8) cells in the MC simulation.

To get the number of events generated by the MC.

In each cells the invariant mass distribution fit with

$$f_{bg} = \mathbf{N} \cdot (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{M}_0)^A \cdot e^{-\mathbf{B} \cdot (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{M}_0)}$$

N, A, B are free parameters, $M_0 = 1.078 \ \Gamma \Im B/c^2$ is the threshold limit, m is the mass value.

