

Measurements of light hypernuclei properties and production yields in Au+Au collisions from the STAR experiment

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Hypernuclei are bound states of nucleons and hyperons. Precise measurements of hypernuclei properties and production yields can shed light on the poorly understood hyperon–nucleon (Y-N) interaction and production mechanisms of hypernuclei.

Thanks to the high statistics data and low collision energies, the STAR beam energy scan phase-II program provides a great opportunity to study hypernuclei production. In this presentation, we will report production yields of ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$, ${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ in Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3, 19.6, \text{ and } 27$ GeV. The strangeness population factors ($S_{\Lambda} = {}^A_{\Lambda}\text{H} / ({}^A\text{He} \times \frac{1}{p})$), S_3 and S_4 , and A=4 hypernuclei yield ratio (${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He} / {}^4_{\Lambda}\text{H}$) will also be presented. We will also report precise measurements of ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H}$ branching ratio and lifetimes of light hypernuclei. The results will be compared with model calculations and physics implications will be discussed.

Theory / experiment

Experiment

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