Update on K⁰ S , Λ and Λ (1520) production in p-Pb collisions at 8.16 TeV

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	- \circ R_{pPb}
	- Λ(1520) / Λ

Motivation Plots

Strange to non-strange ratios in the four systems

- Enhancement of strange to non-strange hadron production from low multiplicity pp to central Pb-Pb collisions
- Smooth evolution between pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions
- Strange to non-strange ratios are saturated in central Pb-Pb collisions for all particles

- Yields of (multi-)strange particles measured in different systems as a function of multiplicity lie on the same trend
- Both dN/dy and $\langle p_{\text{T}} \rangle$ increase as a function of multiplicity.

Motivation Plots

- Across the three systems \wedge /K^o s.evolves with multiplicity in qualitatively similar way:
	- \circ Depletion at low p_{T} , enhancement at intermediate $p₊$

 $\frac{1}{T}$ ---->Hint of collective behaviour in small systems

- \bullet Baryon over Meson ratio as a function of p_{T} shows peak at intermediate (Baryon enhancement)
	- interplay of radial flow and parton recombination at intermediate p_{T}
- Baryon over Meson ratio shows no significant change as a function of multiplicity
○ Strangeness enhancement is not
	- driven by mass nor it is a baryon/meson effect
- Mass ordering of R_{PPb} at intermediate p_T which is qualitatively similar to that in Pb–Pb collisions (Mass ordering or Baryon meson splitting?)

Motivation Plot

Suppression or enhancement in yields depend upon

→Lifetime of resonance particle \rightarrow Interaction cross section of decay daughters \rightarrow Lifetime of hadronic phase

● Their lifetimes are exploited for the estimation of lifetime of the hadronic phase

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Dataset **(for strange particles in ground states)**

• Analysing Minimum Bias LHC16r CENT low interaction rate runs (comparable with 5TeV rates):

• 265594, 265596, 265607, 266318, 266317, 266316 (40% full triggered statistics)

Trigger: AliEvent:: kINT7 DAQ Rejection: IslncompleteDAQ() Pileup Rejection: IsPileupFromSPDInMultBins() Vertex quality: $|Z_{SPD}$ - Z_{Track} < 0.5 cm, Resolution < 0.25 cm Z-vertex selection: $|Z_{Vtx}| < 10$ cm Multiplicity Selection: AliMultSelection::GetMultiplicityPercentile("V0A")

• MC: Using merge of same 6 low interaction runs in GP EPOS-LHC and GP DPMJET

- LHC17f3a cent fix GP EPOS-LHC: https://alice.its.cern.ch/jira/browse/ALIROOT-7100
- LHC17f3b cent GP DPMJET: https://alice.its.cern.ch/jira/browse/ALIROOT-7100

• MC: \approx 2.2 x 10⁶ events after event selections

Data samples and cuts for resonances

- ❏ Event selection:
	- Trigger: kINT7
	- Pileup rejection
	- $|v_z|$ < 10 cm
- ❏ Analysis cuts
	- StandardITSTPCTrackCuts2011
	- \bullet |η| < 0.8
	- \bullet 0 < y_{pair} < 0.5 for p-Pb $-0.5 < y_{pair} < 0.5$ for pp
	- $\rho_{\text{T}} > 0.15 \text{ GeV/c}$
	- PID

Track not present in TOF, $(N\sigma)$ TPC = 2

Proton:0 <*p*(GeV/c)< 1.1

and Kaon: 0 <*p*(GeV/c)< 0.6

Track present in TOF, $(N\sigma)$ TOF =3 with (Nσ) TPC =5 as veto

Signal Extraction

For K^0 **s**

 $p_{\rm T}$ range -> 0.2 to 10 (GeV/c)

Multiplicity = $\{0, 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 50,$ 60, 70, 80, 100 $\frac{9}{6}$

(Multiplicities based on V0A estimator)

For $\Lambda(\Lambda)$

 $p_{\rm T}$ range -> = 0.6 to 10 (GeV/c)

Multiplicity = $\{0, 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 50,$ 60, 70, 80, 100 $\frac{9}{6}$

(Multiplicities based on V0A estimator)

Decay Channel used:

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K^0, \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- (B.R 69.2%) \Lambda \rightarrow p \pi^-63.9\%\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi<sup>-</sup> (B.R)
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Method for signal extraction:

The invariant mass distributions are fitted with a gaussian peak and **Lambda** second order polynomial for background Signal region defined as **[M − 4σ, M + 4σ]**, $\begin{array}{ccc}\n & \text{counts (10000c)} \\
& \text{5} & \text{8} & \text{8} & \text{8} \\
& \text{8} & \text{8} & \text{8} & \text{8} \\
& & \text{100000} & \text{1000000} & \text{1000000} & \text{1000000} & \text{1000000} & \text{1000000$ where

- M = Mean of fitted Gaussian (mass of V0)

- Background region defined as **[M − 10σ, M − 6σ]** and

[M +6σ, M + 10σ];

- signal counts determined by subtracting the sum of the background counts in the sidebands from the total counts in the signal region **(Bin Counting Method)**

Analysis details: resonance reconstruction

- 1. Invariant mass method: Resonances reconstructed by their decay products, adding their 4-momenta
- 2. Combinatorial background : Removed using mixed event technique (10 events are mixed)
- 3. Residual background : Correlated pairs or misidentified decay products removed by fitting with polynomial function
- 4. Signal : Fit with Voigtian function, yield calculated by integrating the fitting function

Efficiency Correction

$$
\epsilon = \frac{N(V0)_{recontrolled+associated\left(p_T\right)}}{N(V0)_{generated\,primerates}\left(p_T\right)}
$$

Corrected *p***^T spectra**

Corrected p_{T} spectra

dN/dy and <*p*_T> vs Multiplicity

- \bullet Both p_{T} integrated yield and average p_T increase with multiplicity
- EPOS3(hydro+cas) model overestimates the yield, but shows the increasing trend with multiplicity like data.
- \bullet Average $p_{_{\rm T}}$ calculations by model underestimates the data but shows the same increasing trend with multiplicity.

Ratio to Pion vs Multiplicity

- Ratio increases first with multiplicity then saturates at high charged particle multiplicity
- Also the ratio does not seem to have any energy or system dependence
- Predictions from the model also show the same effects, although it underestimates the lambda/pion ratio

- The baryon to meson ratio with p_{τ} shows a peak in the mid p_{\uparrow} where baryon production is enhanced and the peak is higher in the high multiplicity p-Pb collisions
- This shows the presence of flow like effects which are expected to be more pronounced in the high multiplicity collisions
- Model estimates similar behaviour although it underestimated the data
- The baryon to meson ratio shows no evolution with multiplicity and similar are the predictions from the model as well

- \bullet $R_{\sf pPb}$ shows suppression at low $p_{\sf T}$. which is more for the resonances.
- \bullet In high $\rho_{_{\rm T}}$, $R_{_{\rm pPb}}$ is equal to 1 within systematic uncertainty.
- \bullet \quad R_{pPb}: peak at intermediate p_{T} visible for Λ(1115) and Λ(1520)
- This shows medium effects for the low $\rho_{_{\overline{\mathcal{T}}}}$ regime in p-Pb collision systems.
- R_{pph} prediction from the model underestimated data at low $\boldsymbol{p}_{\sf T}^{}$ but approaches to unity at the high p_T likewise data.

Particle ratios

- $K^*(892)^0$ shows suppression but $\Lambda(1520)$ do not
- This provides hint for the formation of hadronic phase and its finite lifetime in p-Pb collision system
- The model predictions are satisfying data for Λ (1520) but it overestimated K^{*}(892)⁰ in the high multiplicity

https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10052-020-7687-2 [arXiv:2110.10042](https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.10042)

Summary

- \bullet dN/dy and $\langle p_{\uparrow} \rangle$ increase with multiplicity
- Ratios to pions increases with multiplicity and then saturates (Strangeness enhancement)
- Ratios depend on multiplicity, irrespective of system size and energy
- **•** Λ / K^0_{S} : Baryon enhancement at intermediate p_{T}
- Λ / K^o_s as a function of multiplicity shows no significant evolution
- \bullet *R*_{pPb}: peak at intermediate p_{T} visible for Λ(1115) and Λ(1520)
- No suppression in the resonance to non-resonance ratio is observed for $\Lambda(1520)$ in the p-Pb collision system at 8.16 TeV, which provides hint for short lifetime of hadronic phase compared to the lifetime of Λ(1520) baryon in this collision system and energy.
- EPOS3(hydro+cas) either underestimated or overestimated the data but the trend it shows is more or less similar to the data.

Backup slides

Feed Down for Λ and Λ̅

The feed-down contribution to the Λ and $\overline{\Lambda}$ spectra coming from both charged ($\Xi^{\text{-}}$, $\Xi^{\text{+}}$) and neutral (Ξ^0) is computed by using the following expression:

$$
\Lambda_{primary}^{raw}(p_{T_i}) = \Lambda_{measured}^{raw}(p_{T_i}) - \sum_j F_{ij} \int_{p_{T_j}} \frac{dN}{dp_T}(\Xi^-),
$$

where dN/dp T (Ξ) is the Levy-Tsallis fit to the measured/extrapolated Ξ spectra and the integral is performed over the bin-j. F_{ii} is the feed-down matrix defined as:

$$
F_{ij} = \frac{N_{reco}(\Lambda)_{\text{from }\Xi \text{ bin }j}}{N_{gen}(\Xi)_{\Xi \text{ bin }j}}.
$$

F_{ij} represents the fraction of reconstructed Λ (or Λ) produced in the p_{τ} bin-i coming from the decay of a \equiv particle (charged or neutral) produced in the p_T bin-j

Two methods to fill F_{ii}

MC Ratio: the numerator is filled with $\Lambda(\overline{\Lambda})$ from decays of both charged and neutral Ξ. In this case the ratio Ξ ⁻ / Ξ ⁰ as provided by the Monte Carlo generator used to compute the feed-down matrix element F_{ii} is used.

Double Counting: the numerator is filled with Λ (or $\overline{\Lambda}$) from decays of only charged Ξ, and the resulting charged \equiv feed-down is multiplied by a factor two (assume the production of Ξ^0 is the same as for Ξ^{\pm}).

Uncorrelated systematics

The following ratio will determine the uncorrelated component of the total systematic uncertainty for each selection cut in multiplicity class m:

$$
R = (Y_m^{\text{dev}}/Y_m^{\text{def}}) / (Y_{MB}^{\text{dev}}/Y_{MB}^{\text{def}})
$$

where Y_m^{dev} and Y_m^{dev} are the measured deviated and default yield, respectively (in a given p_T interval). The deviated yield is the one obtained when varying a particular cut.

The compatibility of R with unity means that the systematic uncertainty under study is "correlated" with multiplicity, i.e. it is not dependent on multiplicity.

The fraction of uncorrelated systematic is obtained by adding in quadrature all |R − 1| factors (in each p_T bin and multiplicity class) (after performing Barlow Check, reference: [https://alice-notes.web.cern.ch/node/978\)](https://alice-notes.web.cern.ch/node/978)

Cut Study for K^0_{s}

 For **K 0 S** $\bm{{\mathsf{p}}}_{\mathsf{t}}$ bins used are :

(0.2-1) low $p_T^{\text{}}$ bin

(1-3) mid p_T bin

(3-10) high $p_{T}^{\text{}}$ bin

For Λ and $\overline{\Lambda}$ $\bm{{\mathsf{p}}}_{\mathsf{t}}$ bins used are : (0.2-1) low $p_T^{}$ bin $(1-3)$ mid p_T bin (3-10) high $\mathsf{p}_\mathsf{T}^{}$ bin

 Next slides show:

(top) Signal Significance,

(bottom) Signal losses, with respect to loosest cut considered, in low, mid and high $\boldsymbol{\mathsf{p}}_{\mathsf{T}}$ bins of $\boldsymbol{\mathsf{K}}^{\mathsf{0}}_{\mathsf{S}}$

Cut Selection

Cuts (all topological and some track quality) chosen based on

- **Default cut** : Tried to take max. value of σ = $S/\sqrt{(S+B)}$, whilst keeping fractional signal loss < 10%. Also requiring Monte Carlo agrees with data "signal" to within a couple of percent (2 to 3%).
- **Very Tight**: cut corresponding to 10% signal loss in data
- **Tight**: cut corresponding to 5% signal loss in data
- **Loose**: cut corresponding to 1% signal loss in data
- **Very loose**: apply no cut or loose enough to produce effect of no cut

Systematics

- In the next slides, the relative difference between the corrected spectrum obtained with new chosen cut and the one obtained with the default cut is shown.
- For systematic error associated to the source i for pt bin j

$$
\delta_{i,sys} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum(\frac{y_{def}-y_i}{y_{def}})^2}
$$

• All sources are added in quadrature (root sum of squares) in order to obtain the total systematic error (after performing Barlow Check)

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Lambda(Anti-Lambda)

Lambda(Anti-Lambda)

Feed Down Matrix in Integrated Multiplicity (MC Ratio Method)

Feed Down Ratio (MC Ratio Method)

Systematics

Relative difference between the corrected spectrum obtained with the new chosen cut and the one obtained with the default cut is shown for all the systematic sources considered

Systematics

For Material Budget thanks to Michal Sefcik.

Fitted with function : double exponential ([0]*exp(-[1]*x) + [3]*exp(-[4]*x) + [2])

To get a value for the systematic in some p_r bin, simply **evaluate the fitting function at the bin center.**

Systematic uncertainty for each **p_T** bin obtained by **quadratically adding the contribution coming from each of the sources considered (after Barlow check) [https://alice-notes.web.cern.ch/node/978\)](https://alice-notes.web.cern.ch/node/978)**

Smoothing process:

$$
\sigma_j^{i+1}=(\sigma_{j-1}^{i-1}+\sigma_j^{i-1}+\sigma_{j+1}^{i-1})/3.0
$$

Lambda Anti-Lambda

Multiplicity dependent Systematics

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Extrapolating pp spectra at 8.16 TeV

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Then the difference between the yields is denoted as $\Delta = y_{def} - y_{sys}$ and the quadrature difference of their statistical error is $\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma_{def}^2 - \sigma_{sys}^2}$.

Then we define a factor $n = \Delta/\sigma$;

Now, this n is calculated for each p_T bin and a distribution of n or Δ/σ is plotted. In general, if two measurements are consistent, it is expected that the distribution of n would have a mean near 0, a standard deviation near 1. if $n < 1$ then the variation passes **barlow** check and consistent with default measurement with the corresponding statistical error, hence excluded from systematic uncertainties.

We consider following steps to do Barlow check:

step1: For a systematic variation we calculate the factor n for each p_T bin.

step2: Plot the histogram or frequency distribution of n.

step3: If two measurements are statistically consistent then the n distribution should have following criteria:

1) Mean at 0, 2) Rms < 1.0, 3) In $|n|$ < 1 there will be > 68% of counts, 4) In $|n|$ < 2 there will be > 95 $%$ of counts

step4: As the entries are less so a modified criteria is proposed for passing the **barlow** check.

1) $\left| Mean \right| < 0.3, 2$ Rms < 1.1, 3) In $|n| < 1$ there will be > 58 to 68% of counts, 4) In $|n| < 2$ there will be > 65 to 95% of counts.

If any 3 of these above mention criteria is passed for a given source then we consider that the source pass barlow check.

step5: If a source passes the **Barlow** checks, we exclude it from systematic uncertainties as the variation is governed by statistical uncertainty.

Barlow Check

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Centrality dependent p-Pb at 8.16 TeV: V0A centrality estimator

Reference :

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/ALICE/ReferenceMult>

Multiplicity dependent pp at 13 TeV: V0M multiplicity estimator

Data set : LHC16k_pass2, MC : LHC18f1, Trigger Efficiency : INT7>0 | INEL>0 / INEL>0

Trigger Efficiency

RpPb

Interpolated spectra **Interpolated spectra** Interpolated spectra (after rebinning)

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 $P_{\rm T}$

RpPb

Interpolated spectra **Interpolated spectra** Interpolated spectra (after rebinning)

Signal extraction using two different methods

Motivation

Resonances are short lived particles (few fm/*c*) which decay by strong interaction

Hadronic phase: time span between chemical and kinetic freeze-out

- ❖ **Modification of yields (re-scattering vs re-generation)**
- ❖ **Hint for finite lifetime of hadronic phase**
- ❖ **Hydrochemistry of particle production**
- ❖ **Study of in medium energy loss**

Event QA

p-Pb@ 8.16 TeV Event information:

|v_z|< 10cm Number of events \sim 35M

Track information:

p^T > 0.15 *GeV/c* $ln1 < 0.8$

|v_z|< 10cm Number of events ~ 60 M

Track information:

p^T > 0.15 *GeV/c* $lnl < 0.8$

PID QA

- Upper panels are for Data and lower panels are for MC
- Left panels are for proton and right panels are for Kaon
- Solid back lines show the area from which PID selection is done while dotted black lines show the area where TPC veto is used

Invariant mass spectra for minimum bias p-Pb collisions before bkg subtraction

Invariant mass spectra for minimum bias p-Pb collisions after bkg subtraction

Parameters from the fit

Raw *p***^T spectra and detector reconstruction efficiency**

- Raw yield is calculated using bin counting of histogram in the invariant mass region (1.48,1.55) GeV/ $c²$. For the tail part contributions, fitting function is used.
- Efficiency is calculated by taking the weighted average of efficiencies calculated from different MC productions

$$
\epsilon_{rec} = \frac{k}{n}
$$

k is number of reconstructed $\Lambda(1520)$ n is number of generated $\Lambda(1520)$

Error in reconstruction efficiency is calculated using Bayesian approach

$$
\sigma_{\epsilon} = \sqrt{\frac{k+1}{n+2} \left(\frac{k+2}{n+3} - \frac{k+1}{n+2} \right)}
$$

- $\rightarrow \sigma_{sys} = \frac{|y_{def}-y_{sys}|}{y_{def}}$
	- y_{def} is the yield due to default set of parameters
	- y_{sys} is the yield due to systematic variation
- \rightarrow For more than one variations of a systematic source, RMS is taken as systematic uncertainty
- \rightarrow Quadrature sum of systematic uncertainties from all the sources is taken as the final systematic uncertainty

Final sys uncer = $\sqrt{\sigma_{SE}^2 + \sigma_{PID}^2 + \sigma_{QTR}^2 + \sigma_{MB}^2 + \sigma_{Tr}^2}$

 \rightarrow For local fluctuations in the systematic uncertainty, smoothening is done

- For ith p_T bin $\frac{\sigma_{i-1} + \sigma_i + \sigma_{i+1}}{3}$
- First and last p_{τ} bin are excluded from smoothening procedure
- Signal extraction:
	- \checkmark Fitting regions (3 variations)
	- \checkmark BG Normalization regions (2 variations)
	- \checkmark Yield extraction method (functional integral)
	- \checkmark Residual BG (poly2 is default poly3 and poly4 as variations)
	- \checkmark Width fixed (default width set as free)
	- \checkmark Fit function (default is Voigtian and BW as variation)
	- \checkmark Detector mass resolution (1 variation)
	- \checkmark No. of mixed events (2 variation)
	- \checkmark Mass range for bincounting (2 σ is default 1 σ is variation)
- PID cuts (3 variations) \bullet
- Quality track selection cuts (6 variations of Std 2011 cut) \bullet
- Material budget from p-Pb analysis at 5.02 TeV
- Tracking from p-Pb analysis

RMS is taken for systematic sources with more than 1 variation

Final systematic uncertainty is the quadrature sum of \bullet uncertainties from all different sources.