



# Strangeness production in Fixed target experiment at STAR

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# **Motivation**





- RHIC BES : Scan the QCD phase diagram and search the critical point to identify features of softening of equation of state.
- BES phase-II (3 to 54.4 GeV) includes both collider and fixed target experiments to probe different regions along the transition boundary of QCD phase diagram especially high µ<sub>B</sub>.
- The Fixed-Target Program expands the range of the RHIC Beam Energy Scan (BES) to higher values of µB (baryon chemical potential).
- Strangeness production is considered a sensitive probe to the properties of the medium created in heavy-ion collisions.

## STAR: Fxt-Target setup



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# Dataset and Event Selection



#### Dataset

- > Au+Au @ $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =7.2 GeV, 26p5fixedTarget\_production
- > Trigger ID: 630052 (min bias)
- Production tag : P19ie, Run18
- > Data file: PicoDST
- Events: 248 Mn (After badruns 149Mn)

#### **Event Cuts**

- $V_{z} \rightarrow (198,202)$
- $\sim V_r < 2cm$
- Badruns: removed
- Centrality: not official

**Track cuts** > nhitsFit>15

▶ p<sub>T</sub>>0.1



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# QA Plots for K<sup>0</sup><sub>s</sub>





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# KFParticle : Topological cuts



• KFParticle : reconstruction package for short lived particles

### Cuts Applied

- > Chi2primary\_A > 10
- Chi2primary\_B > 10
- Chi2topo < 5</p>
- Chi2ndf < 5
- L > 1
  L/dl > 5
- Decay mode (BR) :
- >  $K_{s}^{0} \rightarrow \pi^{-} + \pi^{+}$  (69.2%)
- BR:(69.05 ± 0.05) %
- cτ = 2.68 cm



KF Particle Finder: M. Zyzak, Dissertation thesis, Goethe University of Frankfurt, 2016

## Analysis details: particle reconstruction

- Invariant mass method: Mother reconstructed by their decay products, adding their 4-momenta.
- Combinatorial background: Removed using rotation method
- Residual background: Misidentified decay products removed by fitting with second order polynomial function.
- Signal: Fit with double Gaussian function, yield calculated by Bin counting method.

$$a_{0} + a_{1}m^{1} + a_{2}m^{2} + \frac{Y_{1}}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{1}}} \exp \frac{(-(m - m_{0})^{2})}{2\sigma_{1}^{2}} + \frac{Y_{2}}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{2}}} \exp \frac{(-(m - m_{0})^{2})}{2\sigma_{2}^{2}}$$

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## K°s signal for 0-10% centrality



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## K°s signal for 10-20% centrality



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# K°s signal for 40-80% centrality



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# **Efficiency corrections**



- To caluclate efficiency, embedding data is used where simulated events are embedded into the real data.
- The acceptance and efficiency are calculated by dividing the number of reconstructed Monte Carlo (MC) K<sup>o</sup><sub>s</sub> by that of input MC events.

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## Corrected p<sub>T</sub> spectra for K<sup>0</sup><sub>s</sub>





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## Corrected pT spectra for K<sup>0</sup>s





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### Corrected p<sub>T</sub> spectra for K<sup>0</sup><sub>s</sub>



- The spectra after efficiency corrections shows a pt dependence.
- However the fittings for lower centralities need to be further improved.





- We presented efficiency corrected spectra for K<sup>0</sup><sub>s.</sub>
- The analysis is done using the Kalman filter package for reconstruction of K<sup>0</sup><sub>s</sub> in run 18, 26p5fixedTarget production.
- Also Submitted the embedding request for  $\Lambda^0$ .
- **To do:** RCP, rapidity density,  $\langle p_T \rangle$  & other physics results.

# Thank You





# Backup

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Centrality



- Centrality definition my own.
- Integration the multiplicity curve and then putting a 10% cut on X-axis



Multiplicity	163-289	129-163	101-129	78-101	58-78	41-58	27-41	17-27
Centrality	0-10%	10-20%	20-30%	30-40%	40-50%	50-60%	60-70%	70-80%

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