

Heavy-flavour correlations, jets and multiplicity dependent studies on heavy-flavour hadrons in small systems with ALICE

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In this contribution, the latest heavy-flavour results on the pp and p–Pb data samples collected during the LHC Run 2 with ALICE at several center-of-mass energies will be presented.

A comprehensive study of the multiplicity dependent open heavy-flavour hadron production and quarkonium self-normalised yields in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV will be shown. Such measurements constitute a valuable tool to characterize Multi-Parton Interactions (MPI), as well as the interplay between hard and soft particle production mechanisms. In particular, these studies include $\psi(2S)$ production at forward rapidity, while multiplicity dependent measurements at mid-rapidity will be discussed for D mesons, heavy-flavour decay electrons and inclusive J/ψ .

Moreover, the multiplicity dependent self-normalised yields of heavy-flavour decay electrons at mid-rapidity, as well as v_2 measurements in high-multiplicity events for heavy-flavour decay muons at forward rapidity, will be discussed. Such studies aim to investigate possible collective effects in p–Pb collisions. In addition, measurements of heavy-flavor jet production and fragmentation and heavy-flavour correlations will be presented. These studies give direct access to the initial parton kinematics and allow us to characterize the heavy-quark fragmentation process, as well as to gain information on heavy-quark production mechanisms in pp collisions. Heavy-flavour jets studies are extended to heavy-flavour hadron decay electrons and D-meson tagged charged jets measurements in pp and p–Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$ and 13 TeV and $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV, respectively. The results of the jet-momentum fraction carried by the D meson at $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$ and 13 TeV and by the Λ_c baryon at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV will be discussed as well. The angular correlations of D-mesons and charged particles in pp and p–Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV will be shown and comparison with model calculations will be discussed.

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