Energy distributions in FHCal and approaches for centrality measurements.

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- This study was done with LA-QGSM model in MPDRoot.
- Only FHCal was considered.

- LA-QGSM model has no markers of spectators.
- Therefore, the identification of spectator's and nonspectator's contribution is impossible.

MPD tools for centrality measurements.



a) Participant region (TPC/TOF)

b) Spectator region (FHCal)

In this report we will discuss only spectator region (FHCal).



3400

6960

300

CPC Tracker

Energy depositions in FHCal.



- I. FHCal detects not only the spectators but also the produced particles and wounded nucleons from participant region.
- II. There is an ambiguity in FHCal energy deposition for central/peripheral events due to the fragments (bound spectators) leak into beam hole.
- III. Is it possible to overcome these two problems?

Transverse energy distributions in FHCal modules.



- Transverse energy distributions are wider for central events and narrow for the peripheral collisions.
- Can we use this feature to avoid the above drawbacks?

Occupancies and energies of different particles at front of FHCal.



- Pions are almost uniformly distributed at the face of FHCal.
- The shapes of proton/neutron spots are quite different for central/peripheral events.
- Fragments (bound spectators) contribute small part of energies to FHCal (they touch the inner surface of FHCal in beam hole and do not deposit energy in FHCal).

Construction of two energy components in FHCal.





Two branches in (E_T, E_L) correlations.

Evaluation of centrality from (E_T, E_L) energy distributions.



Each color bin is 10% fractions of the total number of events (fraction of the total inelastic nucleus-nucleus cross section).



impact parameter on centrality.

Let's consider the angular distribution of deposited energies in FHCal in differential way

8 groups of FHCal modules with the same polar angle. Number of modules equals to 4 or 8 depending on group.





- Summary energy in each group of modules is normalized to number of modules in this group.
- The normalized energy in each group depends on the polar angle.
- The error is ~1/E, where E is energy in given group of modules.
- This dependence is fitted by the line $E(\theta) = G_E x \theta + Ec$, where:
- G_E is transverse energy gradient and
- E_c is central energy (at $\theta=0^0$).

Dependence of energy deposition on polar angle $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 11 \,\text{GeV}$



Fit line is below of last point. This point could be associated with non-spectator energy. Shall we subtract this energy from all points?

Correlations of fitted parameters.

 $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 11 \,\text{GeV}$

Gradient ଦ 400 Central energy [GeV] **G**_E 12(E_C 350 100 300 250 80 200 -10 60 - 150 40 100 -15 20 50 0 0 -20 5 10 15 5 15 10 0 Impact parameter [fm] Impact parameter [fm] $\mathbf{E}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathbf{G}_{\mathrm{E}} \mathbf{x} \boldsymbol{\theta} + \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{C}}$ [GeV] Each color bin is 10% 2 of b-centrality. Transverse gradient and central energy are anticorrelated. \mathbf{E}_{C} Almost straight line in (G, E_c) diplot reflects the fact that the maximum polar angle with E=0 is rather similar for all events. events 0 -15 -10 -20 -5 0 **G**_E 10

Let's subtract from energies in all points the energy in last point.

Dependence of energy deposition on polar angle after subtraction.



Parameters after subtraction of the energy in the last point. $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 11 \,\text{GeV}$



- Two branches in (G_E,E_c) diplot for central and peripheral events are closer.
- Integration of $E(\theta) = G_E x \theta + E_C$ function over the calorimeter surface provides another observable: E_{cor} – corrected energy.
- Good separation of central and peripheral parts of events is visible.





Evaluation of centrality from the FHCal energy distributions.



Dependence of impact parameter on centrality.

$$\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 11 \,\text{GeV}$$

Each color bin is 10% fractions of the total number of events (fraction of the total inelastic nucleus-nucleus cross section).



Dependence of resolution of impact parameter on centrality.

Energy correlations <u>before</u> and <u>after</u> subtraction of the energy in last point



Simple subtraction of the normalized energy in outer modules from energies in all modules



No fitting procedure!

- Lack of energy,
- No energy in beam hole,
- Worse separation of central/peripheral events.



Centralities in FHCal



Dependences of resolutions of impact parameter on centrality.

Conclusion

- The transverse energy depositions in FHCal modules were considered.
- A few types of energies (transverse, longitudinal, corrected) were constructed.
- Clear central/peripheral events separation is observed in the energy correlations.
- The observed correlations provide the tool for evaluation of the centrality classes with FHCal alone.
- The developed method allows to (partially) subtract the non-spectator contribution in FHCal energy.
- It might be possible to study the properties of the spectator's spots.
- The number of free (protons, neutrons) spectators could be evaluated.
- The energy of escaped into beam hole fragments can be estimated from the number of free spectators (using the models or experimental data).
- Other generators (with markers of the spectator) are needed for further study of the spectator/non-spectator contributions.

Thank you!

Backup slides





$$\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 5 \,\mathrm{GeV}$$



FHCal TDR



Fig. 13: Correlation between the impact parameter *b* and the TPC track multiplicity for Au + Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ (left) and 11 GeV (right) simulated with the UrQMD model.



Fig. 14: (left) Distribution of the TPC track multiplicity. (right) Impact parameter resolution with the TPC centrality estimator. Results obtained with two versions of the MPD tracking algorithm using so-called hit producer and cluster finder are shown. See text for more details.

Fit parameters before and after subtraction of the energy in last point

