Centrality determination in MPD at NICA AYSS-2021

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QCD phase diagram (NICA)



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Nuclotron-based Ion Collider fAcility (NICA)



First events with Bi+Bi at $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 9.2$ GeV.

- Study of in-medium properties of hadrons and nuclear matter and the equation of state.
- Search for location of the phase transition between hadronic matter and QGP; search for new phases of baryonic matter and the Critical Point.



Multi-Purpose Detector (MPD)



 Detect the high multiplicity events and perform particle identification.

> 3-D tracking system (TPC). Particle identification (PID) system based on the time-of-flight measurements and calorimetry.

- Event rate in the MPD interaction region \sim 6 kHz.
- Total charged particle multiplicity would be 1000+ in the most central Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 11$ GeV.
- $\langle p_T \rangle \leq$ 500 MeV/c



Time Projection Chamber



- Provide charged particles momentum measurement with sufficient resolution, particle identification and vertex determination.
 - Provide efficient tracking up to pseudorapidity region $|\eta| \le 1.5$ and $p_T \ge 100$ MeV/c.



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Centrality determination



Figure: Relation between impact parameter (b), number of participants (N_{part}) , multiplicity (N_{ch}) and centrality.



Definition

Centrality: Percentage of the total nuclear interaction cross section σ_{AA}

$$c_{b} = \frac{\int_{0}^{b} \frac{d\sigma}{db'} db'}{\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{d\sigma}{db'} db'} = \frac{1}{\sigma_{AA}} \int_{0}^{b} \frac{d\sigma}{db'} db'$$
(1)

Definition

Centrality classes based on the multiplicity distribution:

$$c_m[\%] = \frac{\int_{N_{max}}^{N_i} \frac{dN_{ev}}{dN_{ch}} dN_{ch}}{\int_{N_{max}}^{0} \frac{dN_{ev}}{dN_{ch}} dN_{ch}}$$





(2)

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MC-Glauber





- Compose two nuclei out of nucleons and simulate their collision process event by-event.
- Geometrical quantities: Impact parameter b, N_{part}, N_{spec} and N_{coll}.

Loizides, C.; Nagle, J.; Steinberg, P. Improved version of the PHOBOS Glauber Monte Carlos SoftwareX 2015, 1–2, 13.



Nuclear density function for five different nucleus (Au, Pb, Cu, Bi and Xe).

Definition

Nuclear density function:

$$\rho(r) = \rho_0 \frac{1 + w(r/R)^2}{1 + exp(\frac{r-R}{a})} \quad (3)$$

Centrality Determination / MC-Glauber Approach



Multiplicity selection

- $\blacksquare p_T > 0.15 \text{ GeV/c}$
- \blacksquare $|\eta| < 0.5$ and $|\eta| < 1.3$
- Only charged particles
- *N_{hits}* > 16
- Primary particles.
- $\blacksquare \sim 600,000$ reconstructed events in MpdRoot Framework.
- Bi+Bi collisions at 7.7, 9 and 9.46 GeV using UrQMD.



Multiplicity distribution



Figure: Comparison of the multiplicity distributions at the two η ranges ($|\eta| < 0.5$ and $|\eta| < 1.3$) at $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 7.7$, 9 and 9.46 GeV.



b vs centrality



Figure: Comparison of the relation of impact parameter *b* with centrality of the three energies $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 7.7$, 9 and 9.46 GeV for $|\eta| < 0.5$ (left) and $|\eta| < 1.3$ (right).

 $|\eta| <$ 0.5 and $|\eta| <$ 1.3 comparison



Pseudorapidity comparison of the relation of impact parameter with centrality at the three energies $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 7.7$, 9 and 9.46 GeV

Centrality ranges comparison



Reduce the range of the centrality classes to 1% to compare it with the previous results obtained of 5%.

■ *p*_T > 0.15 GeV/c



Centrality ranges comparison



5% and 1% centrality ranges comparison of the impact parameter vs centrality at the three energies $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 7.7$, 9 and 9.46 GeV.

UrQMD model



Figure: Multiplicity distributions based on the UrQMD generator for Bi+Bi collisions at the three energies $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 7.7$, 9 and 9.46 GeV in the pseudorapidity ranges of *eta* < 0.5 (left) and *eta* < 1.3 (right).

- Only charged particles
- ~ 600,000 events.
- Bi+Bi collisions at 7.7, 9 and 9.46 GeV using UrQMD output files (test.f14).



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UrQMD model ($|\eta| < 0.5$ and $|\eta| < 1.3$)



UrQMD model and TPC results comparison of the impact parameter vs centrality at the three energies $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 7.7$, 9 and 9.46 GeV with $|\eta| < 0.5$ (left) and $|\eta| < 1.3$ (right).

Parameterization comparision

- "Default" $N_a(f) = fN_{part} + (1 - f)N_{coll}$ $f = 0.65 \pm 0.104$
- "Npart" $N_a(f) = (N_{part})^f$ $f = 1 \pm 0.008$
- "Ncoll" $N_{coll}(f) = (N_{coll})^{f}$ $f = 0.91 \pm 0.002$
- "STAR" $N_a(f) = \frac{(1-f)}{2}N_{part} + fN_{coll}$ $f = 0.1 \pm 0.032$



Better agreement with STAR and Default (0-40%).



Different generators comparision



Figure: Comparison of the different generators of the relation of the impact parameter and the centrality for Au+Au collisions at 7.7 GeV.

Better agreement with PHSD, primary particles, $|\eta| < 1.3$.

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Future work

Compare and explore Γ – *Fit* method. Rogly, R., Giacalone, G., Ollitrault, J.Y. (2018). Reconstructing the impact parameter of proton-nucleus and nucleus-nucleus collisions. Phys. Rev. C, 98, 024902.

- Finish analysis of new obtained reconstructed data from Bi+Bi collisions at 9.2 GeV.
- Compare results with other Monte Carlo generators (LAQGSM, PHSD and PHQMD) for Bi+Bi collisions at the four different energies (7.7, 9, 9.2 and 9.5 GeV).



Thank you!



Backup slides





Figure: Relation between the parameters f and k with their corresponding χ^2 with Bi+Bi collisions at 9 GeV (left). Comparison between the input multiplicity distribution and the MC Glauber fit corresponding to the parameters f = 0.65, k = 5 and $\mu = 0.16$ (right).

Parfenov, P., Idrisov, D., Luong, V., Taranenko, A. (2021). Relating Charged Particle Multiplicity to Impact Parameter in Heavy-Ion Collisions at NICA Energies. Particle 4(2), 275–287. DOI: https://doi.org/10.3390/particles4020024

Relation to impact parameter, N_{coll} and N_{part}



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N_{coll} vs centrality



Figure: Comparison of the N_{coll} with centrality of the three energies $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 7.7$, 9 and 9.46 GeV for $|\eta| < 0.5$ (left) and $|\eta| < 1.3$ (right).



N_{part} vs centrality



Figure: Comparison of the N_{part} with centrality of the three energies $\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 7.7$, 9 and 9.46 GeV for $|\eta| < 0.5$ (left) and $|\eta| < 1.3$ (right).



Centrality ranges comparison



UrQMD model ($|\eta| < 0.5$)



UrQMD model and TPC results comparison of the impact parameter vs centrality at the three energies $\sqrt{S_{NN}} =$ 7.7, 9 and 9.46 GeV ($|\eta| <$ 0.5).



UrQMD model ($|\eta| < 1.3$)



UrQMD model and TPC results comparison of the impact parameter vs centrality at the three energies $\sqrt{S_{NN}} =$ 7.7, 9 and 9.46 GeV ($|\eta| <$ 1.3).

