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ZDC setup





- Central part consist of 36 modules with sizes 7.5×7.5 cm²
- Peripheral part contains 68 modules of 15×15 cm²





ZDC module design



- 64 layers: 5mm scintillator + 10mm lead absorber
- Wave length shifter
- PMT with voltage divider







Objective

- Analyze ZDC experimental data of 7-th BM@N period
- Obtain Monte-Carlo data for ZDC in the same setup
- Compare the results
- Provide the method of impact parameter estimation for experimental data





Problem

Experimental data

- Calibration
- Data quality
- Pileup
- Saturation?

Compliance with simulation

- Multiplicity of hits
- Energy spectra
- Cluster shape
- Particle species set



Run 3978



Run 4435





Data selection criteria

- Not less than 200k events
- No peaks or pedestals on energy spectra of the channels
- Mean value of the weighted average event center is near by ZDC center (not greater than 5mm)
- Identified tracks (The runs should be in the list provided by Vasiliy Plotnikov)
- Runs processed together should have identical parameters (field, trigger...)



Ar (3.2 AGeV) \rightarrow Al (3.33 mm), Beam Trigger + BD(>=2) and FD(>=3)

Run numbers that has been used in the presentation: 3977, 3979, 3980, 4046, 4048

Thresholds



Thresholds (calibration canceled)



Most of the channels has thresholds less than 0.55 except of two channels with greater value

ZDC Energy spectra before and after the rollback of calibration coefficients and applying the thresholds

ZDC Energy







MC Simulation

- The beam center was obtained from experimental data
- ZDC geometry for simulation was adjusted
- GEANT4 simulation completed for Ar-Al 3.2AGeV interaction. It has about 200k events
- The pileup was simulated by randomly mixing some pairs of the events
- The same thresholds as for experimental data was applied to MC
- Channels amplitudes before thresholds was adjusted to obtain similar multiplicity and energy spectra



ZDC total energy in the experimental data and in the simulation results

0 20 40





60 80 100 120

140 160 180 200

ZDC total energy (GeV)

Period: 7

Experimental data

Simulation data

Generator:

LAQGSM ArAl 3.2AGeV mb

ZDC position:

x=50 cm, y=-6.3 cm, z=1000 cm

160k events Pileup 20%

ZDC multiplicity in the experimental data and in the simulation results





Cluster shape



Asymmetry



$$A = rac{E_{central} - E_{peripheral}}{E_{central} + E_{peripheral}}$$

Normalized moment



$$M_{norm} = rac{\Sigma(E_i imes R_i^2)}{\Sigma E_i}$$

ZDC asymmetry and moment in the experimental data and in the simulation results



ZDC asymmetry and moment in the experimental data and in the simulation results (pileup removed, 100GeV cut)



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Digitalization time of MC points in the cell



Impact parameter









b-spectra (varying the parameters)



The spectra for varying any of the parameters are overlaps.

b-spectra for selected param. values



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TODO

- Apply multiplicity data from other BM@N detectors
- Realize the time issue in the experimental data and in the MC
- Include other types of ions and target materials



Thanks for your attention

Mean ZDC cell energy



Data



Threshold 0.44GeV. No pileup in MC. No filters

Total ZDC energy, Ar 3.2AGeV, diff. targets





ZDC Energy, Ar beam, different targets



ZDC energy vs. B

31955 3.678

1.562

12 B, fm



ArAl 3.2AGeV mb, 200k events, GEANT4 QGSM, 3p trig. + One of Λ^0 , Σ , K



B Spectrum





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