# Kaon and pion meson production in the pp and AA collisions in a wide initial energy range

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# Outline

- Self-similarity approach for *p*-*p* and *A*-*A* collisions
- Description of inclusive spectra of pions and kaons in *p-p* collisions in the mid-rapidity region of a wide energy range
- Description of inclusive spectra of pions and kaons in *BeBe* collisions in the mid-rapidity region
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### **SELF-SIMILARITY APPROACH**

Pioneering papers on similarity of inclusive spectra of particles produced in h-h and A-A interactions: I.Ya. Pomeranchuk (1951), E. Fermi (1953), L.D. Landau (1953), R. Hagedorn (1965).

Further development: the self-similarity parameter  $\Pi$  was introduced (A.M. Baldin, A.A. Baldin, 1998) and their analytical solution at the y=0 of produced hadrons was obtained (A.M. Baldin, A.I. Malakhov, 1998). The inclusive production of hadron 1 in the interaction of nucleus *A* with nucleus *B*:

$$A+B \rightarrow 1+\cdots,$$

It satisfies the conservation law of four-momentum in the following form:

$$(N_A P_A + N_B P_B - p_1)^2 = (N_A m_0 + N_B m_0 + M)^2$$

where  $N_A$  and  $N_B$  are the fractions of four momenta transmitted by the nucleus A and nucleus B;  $P_A$ ,  $P_B$ ,  $p_1$  are four momenta of the nuclei A and B and particle 1, respectively;  $m_0$  is the mass of the nucleon; M is the mass of the particle providing conservation of the baryon number, strangeness and other quantum numbers.

For 
$$\pi$$
 mesons  $m_1 = m_{\pi}$  and  $M = 0$ ;  
For K<sup>-</sup> mesons  $m_1 = m_{K}$  and  $M = m_{K}$ ;  
For K<sup>+</sup> mesons  $m_1 = m_{K}$  and  $M = m_{\Lambda} - m_{\Omega}$ ,  $m_{\Lambda}$  is the mass of the  $\Lambda$ -baryon.

$$\Pi = \min\left\{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\left(u_{\mathrm{I}}\cdot N_{\mathrm{I}} + u_{\mathrm{II}}\cdot N_{\mathrm{II}}\right)^{2}}\right\}$$

where  $u_A$  and  $u_B$  are the four-velocities of nuclei A and B.

#### FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF S-S APPROACH

The relation of  $\Pi$  to the relativistic invariants *s* and  $m_t^2$  was found in the paper by D.A. Artemenkov, G.Lykasov, A.I. Malakhov, Int.J.Mod.Phys. A30, 1550127 (2015); G.I. Lykasov, A.I. Malakhov, Eur.Phys. J. A54, 187 (2018). At y=0:

$$\Pi = \left\{ \frac{m_{1t}}{2m_0\delta} + \frac{M}{\sqrt{s}\delta} \right\} \left\{ 1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{M^2 - m_1^2}{m_{1t}^2}} \delta \right\}$$

where  $\delta = 1 - s_{th}/s$ ,  $m_{1t}$  is the transverse mass of hadron h,  $s_{th}$  is the threshold energy square in c.m.s. The inclusive spectrum of particle 1 produced in the AA collision can be presented as the general universal function dependent on the self-similarity parameter  $\Pi$ :

$$Ed^{3}\sigma/dp^{3} = A_{A}^{\alpha(N_{A})} \cdot A_{B}^{\alpha(N_{B})} \cdot F(\Pi)$$

where  $\alpha(N_A) = 1/3 + N_A/3$ ,  $\alpha(N_B) = 1/3 + N_B/3$ . For symmetric colliding nuclei  $N_A = N_B = N$  and N is directly related to  $\Pi$  at y = 0 as  $N = 2m_0\Pi/\sqrt{s}$ . Therefore,  $\alpha(N) = 1/3 + 2m_0\Pi/\sqrt{s}$ . Function F( $\Pi$ ) at y=0 has the following form:

$$F(\Pi) = \left[ A_q exp(-\Pi/C_q) + A_g \sqrt{m_{1t}} exp(-\Pi/C_g) \right.$$
$$\left. (1 - \sigma_{nd}/g((s/s_0)^{\Delta}) \right] \cdot g(s/s_0)^{\Delta} .$$

where  $\Delta = \alpha_{\rm P}(0)$ -1 = 0.08-0.12, g= 21 mb.

N.A. Abdulov, H.Jung, A.V. Lipatov, G.I. Lykasjv., M.A.Malyshev, Phys.Rev. D 98, 054010 (2018)

### THE IMPROVED FORM OF F(*II*) AT NON-ZERO RAPIDITY OF PRODUCED HADRONS

By A.I.Malakhov, G.I. Lykasov, Eur.Phys. J. A56, 114 (2020) – Pion production in *p*-*p*:

$$F(\Pi) = \left[A_q \exp\left(-\frac{\Pi}{C_q}\right) + A_g \sqrt{p_T} \phi_1(s) \exp\left(-\frac{\Pi}{C_g}\right)\right] \sigma_{tot}$$
where
$$\Pi(s, m_{1T}, y) = \left\{\frac{m_{1T}}{2m_0\delta_h} + \frac{M}{\sqrt{s}\delta_h}\right\} \cosh(y) G \qquad G = \left\{1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{M^2 - m_1^2}{(m_{1T} + 2Mm_0/\sqrt{s})^2 \cosh^2(y)}\delta_h}\right\}$$
Here  $\phi_1(s) = 1 - \sigma_{nd}(s)/\sigma_{tot}(s) \qquad s_{th}^{K^+} = (m_0 + m_K + m_\Lambda)^2 \qquad s_{th}^{K^-} = (2m_0 + 2m_K)^2$ 

$$\delta_h = \left(1 - \frac{s_{th}^h}{s}\right) \qquad s_{th}^{\pi} \simeq 4m_0^2 \qquad \sigma_{nd} = (\sigma_{tot} - \sigma_{el} - \sigma_{SD})$$

For K<sup>-</sup> meson production in *p*-*p* the contribution of one Reggeon exchange in *p*-*p*, as  $1/\sqrt{s}$  is considered. It leads to the modification of parameter A<sub>q</sub>, i.e.:

$$A_{q} \rightarrow A_{q}(1 + \sqrt{(s_{th}/s)}) \rightarrow A_{q}exp(\sqrt{(s_{th}/s)}).$$

For  $\pi$ -meson production this contribution is too small, therefore  $A_q$  is not modified. The parameters  $A_q$ ,  $A_g$ ,  $C_q$ ,  $C_g$  do not depend on the energy  $\sqrt{s}$ . They depend on a kind of the hadron and were found from the fit of all the data.

### **Inverse slope parameter**



Lykasov G.I., Malakhov A.I. Eur. Phys. J. A 54, 187 (2018)

#### **DESCRIPTION OF THE PION AND KAON** *p*<sub>t</sub> **SPECTRA IN** *p*-*p* **COLLISIONS**

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Ratio of cross-sections of kaons to pions produced in *pp* collisions as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$ 

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Bands of uncertainty are due to data fitting of NA61/SHINE, STAR, PHENIX, ALICE.



## Ratios of kaons to pions in *pp* collisions as functions of $\sqrt{s}$



#### **Description of \pi spectra in BeBe collision**

Be+Be  $\rightarrow \pi^-+X$ 



**Black line is the** quark contribution; Blue line is the gluon contribution; **Red line corresponds** to the sum of the quark and gluon contributions.

#### **Description of** *K*<sup>+</sup> **spectra in BeBe collisions**

 $Be+Be \rightarrow K^++X$ 



**Black line is the** quark contribution; Blue line is the gluon contribution; **Red line corresponds** to the sum of the quark and gluon contributions.

#### **Description of** *K***<sup>-</sup> spectra in BeBe collisions**

 $Be+Be \rightarrow K^-+X$ 



**Black line is the** quark contribution; Blue line is the gluon contribution; **Red line corresponds** to the sum of the quark and gluon contributions.

## Ratios of kaons to pions as functions of $\sqrt{s}$



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#### **Ratios of antiparticle to particle yields**



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- We have applied the self-similarity approach based on the assumption of the similarity of inclusive spectra of hadrons produced in AA collisions at their low transverse momenta and in the mid-rapidity region. To do this, we have modified the simple exponential form of the spectrum and presented it in two parts due to the quark and gluon contributions.
- Applying the offered approach to the pion and kaon production in the most 20% central *BeBe* collisions at the mid-rapidity region we have obtained a satisfactory description of  $p_{\rm T}$  spectra of NA61/SHINE data.
- We have got rather satisfactory description of ratio yields  $K^+/\pi^+$  and  $K^-/\pi^-$  as functions of  $\sqrt{s}$ . The physical reason of their energy dependence happens due to the conservation law of four-momenta and quantum numbers, and also to the Regge behavior of the cross-section.
- The approach allows us to describe the ratio of the total yields of anti-nuclei to the nuclei produced in NN collisions as a function of  $\sqrt{s}$  at y=0.
- The future plans are to describe the inclusive spectra of pions and kaons produced in the most central of ArSc, AuAu and PbPb collisions.

# Thank you for the attention!