

Investigations of Detector Signatures from $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$ and $\Xi^-\Xi^+$ Events

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Motivation

- Hyperons might be difficult to reconstruct due to their decay topology with e.g. displaced vertices

| Hyperon | $c\tau$ [cm] |
|-----------|--------------|
| Λ | 8.0 |
| Ξ^- | 4.9 |

- DyTER-Dynamical Track and Event Reconstruction
- STTCellTrackFinder
 - Cellular Automaton to form tracklets from STT hits
 - Riemann fit to combine tracklets

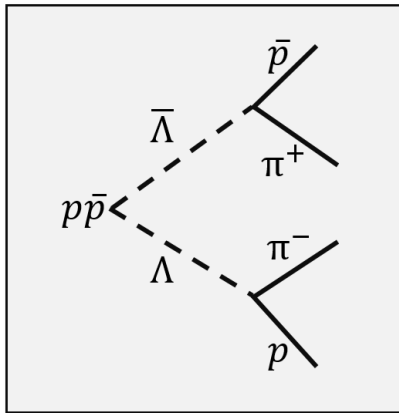
Goal: Dynamic track finder which is as general as possible but works for hyperon tracking

Motivation

Focus:

- $\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$ and $\Xi^-\Xi^+$ events due to their complex decay topology
- MVD and STT for tracking
- MVD and SciTil for possibility of providing a t_0

$$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$$



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- 10,000 events
- Beam momenta: 1.642 GeV, 7 GeV and 15 GeV
- Forward peaking distribution, $\bar{\Lambda}$ forward boosted
- EvtGen, entire decay chain specified
- In analysis: only consider particles actually part of the interesting reaction
- Ideal track finder, standard track functor
- Target spectrometer
 - Before bug fix
 - Standard track functor (≥ 4 hits in MVD or ≥ 6 hits in MVD+STT+GEM)
 - Bug: if this track functor was used, all tracks which do not hit forward spectrometer were classified as reconstructible
 - Bug fixed in trunk



- For events, only hits from final state particles
- Only tracks with ≥ 4 STT hits from final state particles
(from now, only tracks with ≥ 4 STT hits will be considered)

| | 1.642 GeV | 7 GeV | 15 GeV |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------|
| Number of events | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| Events with a MVD hit | 99.94 % | 99.47 % | 99.14 % |
| Events with a SciTil hit | 34.64 % | 3.00 % | 1.36 % |
| Number of tracks | 26,013 | 7,253 | 6,614 |
| Tracks with a MVD hit | 95.5 % | 98.3 % | 98.0 % |
| Tracks with a SciTil hit | 38.7 % | 5.8 % | 2.9 % |
| Tracks with a MVD and a SciTil hit | 36.9 % | 5.6 % | 2.7 % |
| Tracks with a MVD or a SciTil hit | 97.3 % | 98.5 % | 98.2 % |

- MVD itself useful for most events and tracks
- At higher beam momenta, most tracks do not reach SciTil
- MVD and SciTil together are useful at all beam momenta



| | 1.642 GeV | 7 GeV | 15 GeV |
|---|-----------|--------|--------|
| p tracks | 74.4 % | 18.4 % | 11.2 % |
| π^- tracks | 65.8 % | 54.0 % | 54.9 % |
| Reconstructible Λ | 47.9 % | 7.3 % | 4.3 % |
| \bar{p} tracks | 50.4 % | 0 % | 0 % |
| π^+ tracks | 69.5 % | 0 % | 0 % |
| Reconstructible $\bar{\Lambda}$ | 33.7 % | 0 % | 0 % |
| Exclusive Λ and $\bar{\Lambda}$ | 17.8 % | 0 % | 0 % |

Normalization: number of events (all simulated tracks of the certain kind)

STT

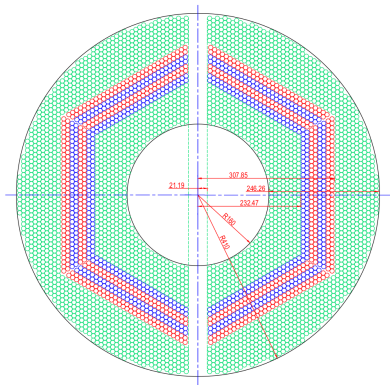
At PANDA: 20 MHz interaction rate

⇒ On average one event every 50 ns

STT

- 4,636 straws
- 27 layers
- When straw tube is hit, gas is ionized and free electrons created
- Electrons travel towards wire at center of tube - signal for readout
- Maximum drift time of electrons: 200 ns
- During drift time no more signals can be registered

⇒ one straw might be occupied for the next 3 or 4 events and might not fire if hit by a particle!



STT

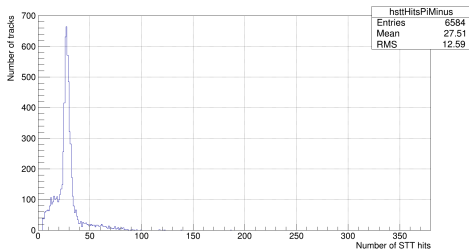
Forward/backward asymmetry of distribution might cause spiralling in magnetic field since Λ decays almost at rest and its decay products are not given much energy

Challenges concerning spiralling tracks with many STT hits:

- Might be difficult to reconstruct
- Particles trapped in magnetic field - might not reach outer detectors
- Might block tubes for tracks from later events - makes later tracks harder to reconstruct



STT hits, π^- , 1.642 GeV



- Peak around 27 hits
 - ⇒ most tracks go fairly straight through the STT
 - 0.4% of all events contain π^- tracks with ≥ 50 STT hits
 - ⇒ not many tracks tend to spiral
- ⇒ **no cause for concern!**

$$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$$

STT hits, π^- , 7 GeV



- Peak around 27 hits
 - ⇒ most tracks go fairly straight through the STT
- 24.5% of all events contain π^- tracks with ≥ 50 STT hits
 - ⇒ many tracks tend to spiral
- Exist tracks with ≥ 300 STT hits
 - ⇒ **might cause trouble!**

$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$, STT hits

Events with final state particle tracks with ≥ 50 STT hits

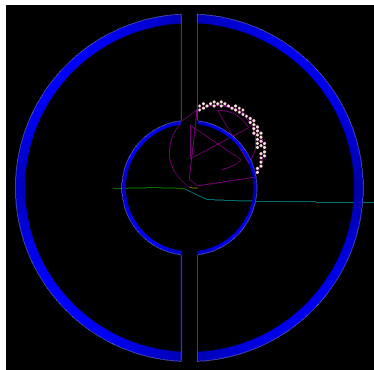
| Kind of track | 1.642 GeV | 7 GeV | 15 GeV |
|---------------|-----------|--------|--------|
| π^- | 0.4 % | 24.5 % | 24.1 % |
| π^+ | 0.4 % | 0 % | 0 % |
| p | 0 % | 0 % | 0 % |
| \bar{p} | 0 % | 0 % | 0 % |

Normalization: total number of events

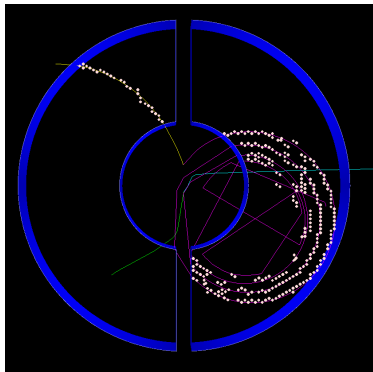
- At higher beam momenta, \sim **1/4 of all events** contain a spiralling π^-
- \Rightarrow might cause trouble!

$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$, STT hits, 15 GeV

- 60 STT hits from π^-
- Spiralling is confined to one quarter of the STT

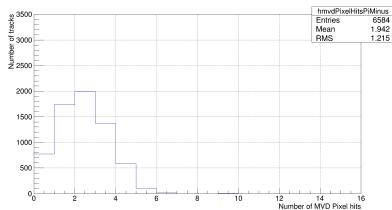


- 256 STT hits from π^-
- Spiralling is confined to half of the STT

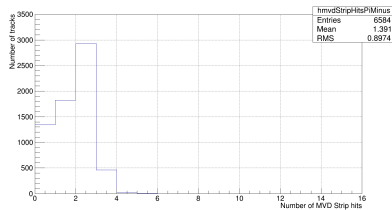


$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$, MVD hits

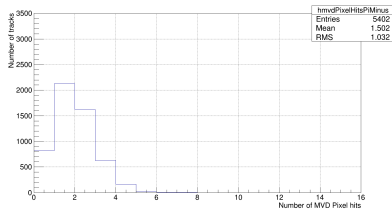
Pixel Hits, 1.642 GeV



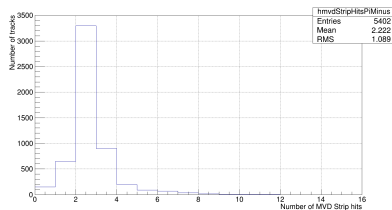
Strip Hits, 1.642 GeV



Pixel Hits, 7 GeV



Strip Hits, 7 GeV



$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$, MVD hits

Tracks with 0 MVD hits

| | 1.642 GeV | 7 GeV | 15 GeV |
|-----------|-----------|-------|--------|
| p | 2 % | 1 % | 1 % |
| \bar{p} | 5 % | – | – |
| π^- | 3 % | 2 % | 2 % |
| π^+ | 7 % | – | – |

Tracks with 0 Pixel hits

| | 1.642 GeV | 7 GeV | 15 GeV |
|-----------|-----------|-------|--------|
| p | 4 % | 19 % | 21 % |
| \bar{p} | 6 % | – | – |
| π^- | 12 % | 15 % | 15 % |
| π^+ | 12 % | – | – |

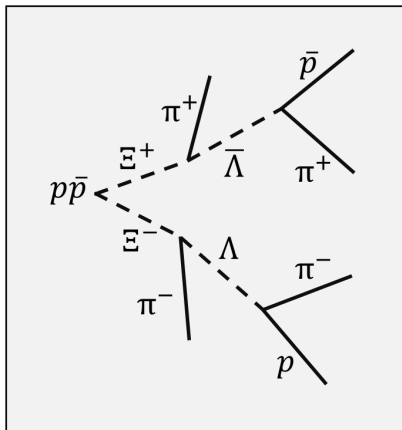
Tracks with 0 Strip hits

| | 1.642 GeV | 7 GeV | 15 GeV |
|-----------|-----------|-------|--------|
| p | 54 % | 1 % | 1 % |
| \bar{p} | 73 % | – | – |
| π^- | 20 % | 3 % | 3 % |
| π^+ | 39 % | – | – |

Normalization: total number of tracks of the given type

- MVD useful for these tracks
- Strip part more useful at higher momenta
- Pixel part more useful at lower momenta

$$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Xi^-\Xi^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-\bar{\Lambda}\pi^+ \rightarrow p\pi^-\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^+$$



$$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Xi^- \Xi^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- \bar{\Lambda} \pi^+ \rightarrow p \pi^- \pi^- \bar{p} \pi^+ \pi^+$$

- 10,000 events
- Beam momentum: 4.6 GeV
- Flat phase space distribution, isotropic
- EvtGen, entire decay chain specified
- Ideal track finder, standard track functor
- Target spectrometer
 - Before bug fix
 - Standard track functor (≥ 4 hits in MVD or ≥ 6 hits in MVD+STT+GEM)
 - Bug: if this track functor was used, all tracks which do not hit forward spectrometer were classified as reconstructible
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$$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Xi^- \Xi^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- \bar{\Lambda} \pi^+ \rightarrow p \pi^- \pi^- \bar{p} \pi^+ \pi^+$$

- For events, only hits from final state particles
- Only tracks with ≥ 4 STT hits from final state particles

| | 4.6 GeV |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Number of events | 10,000 |
| Events with a MVD hit | 99.3 % |
| Events with a SciTil hit | 77.6 % |
| Number of of tracks | 41,750 |
| Tracks with a MVD hit | 69.0 % |
| Tracks with a SciTil hit | 81.3 % |
| Tracks with a MVD and a SciTil hit | 55.0 % |
| Tracks with a MVD or a SciTil hit | 95.3 % |

- More tracks leave SciTil hit than MVD hit
 - Might be due to Λ and $\bar{\Lambda}$ decaying outside of MVD

$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Xi^-\Xi^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-\bar{\Lambda}\pi^+ \rightarrow p\pi^-\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^+$, STT hits

| Kind of track (final state particle) | Events with tracks with ≥ 4 STT hits | Events with tracks with ≥ 50 STT hits |
|---|--|---|
| p | 80.4 % | 0 % |
| \bar{p} | 78.8 % | 0 % |
| First π^- | 66.7 % | 6.3 % |
| Second π^- | 62.2 % | 6.2 % |
| First π^+ | 67.5 % | 6.2 % |
| Second π^+ | 62.0 % | 6.3 % |

Normalization: total number of events

- 6-25 % of all events contain spiralling pions
- ⇒ Might be a cause of concern

$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Xi^-\Xi^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-\bar{\Lambda}\pi^+ \rightarrow p\pi^-\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^+$, MVD hits

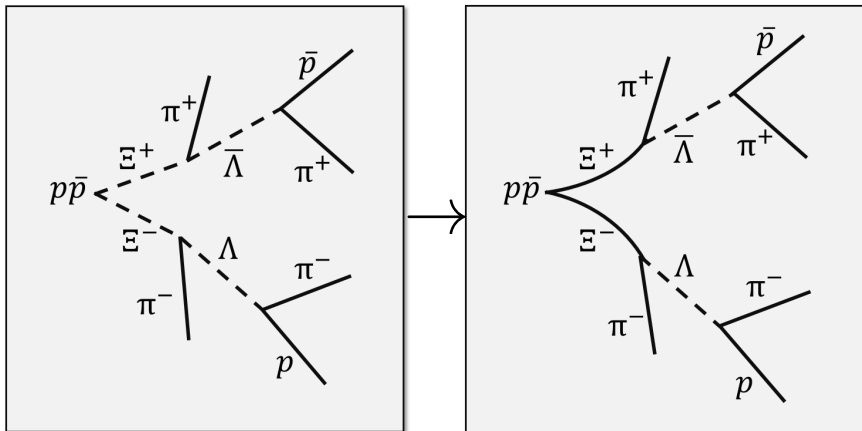
| Kind of track (final state particle) | 0 MVD hits | 0 Pixel hits | 0 Strip hits |
|---|------------|--------------|--------------|
| p | 38 % | 56 % | 52 % |
| \bar{p} | 39 % | 58 % | 53 % |
| First π^- | 10 % | 21 % | 34 % |
| Second π^- | 43 % | 62 % | 55 % |
| First π^+ | 10 % | 20 % | 34 % |
| Second π^+ | 43 % | 63 % | 55 % |

Normalization: total number of tracks of the given type

- A significant fraction of these tracks leave no hit in MVD
- More of the particles created later in the decay chain misses the MVD than the particles created earlier

Comparison between simulations where the decay is handled by EvtGen and Geant4

$$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Xi^- \Xi^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^- \bar{\Lambda} \pi^+ \rightarrow p\pi^- \pi^- \bar{p}\pi^+ \pi^+$$



Comparison between simulations where the decay is handled by EvtGen and Geant4

EvtGen

- Entire decay chain defined in decay file

Geant4

- Production of primary particles defined in a decay file
- Primary particles defined as stable for EvtGen
- Interesting decay modes set in UserDecayConfig.C

For more details:

https://panda-wiki.gsi.de/foswiki/pub/Computing/Minutes02May2017/2.5.2017_teammeeting.pdf

Comparison between simulations where the decay is handled by EvtGen and Geant4

$$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Lambda\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow p\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+$$

| | Decay by Geant4 | Decay by EvtGen |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Number of final state particle tracks | 25,897 | 26,013 |
| Number of tracks with at least one MVD hit | 24,766 | 24,851 |

- No significant difference, as expected

$$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Xi^-\Xi^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-\bar{\Lambda}\pi^+ \rightarrow p\pi^-\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^+$$

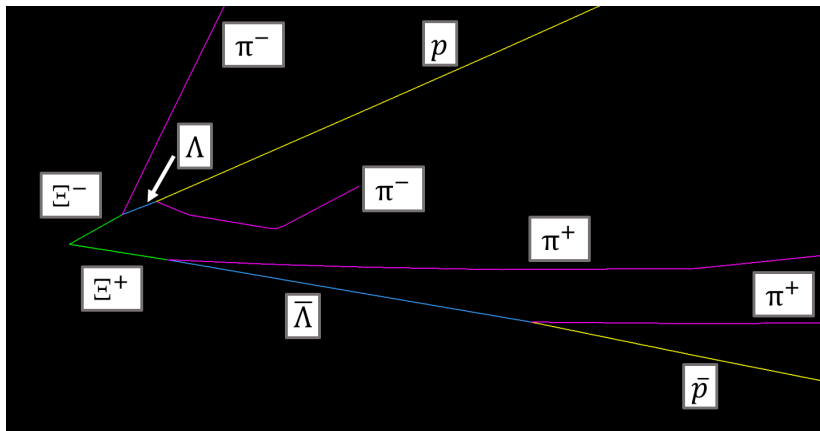
| | Decay by Geant4 | Decay by EvtGen |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Number of Ξ^- tracks with at least one MVD hit | 173 | 0 |
| Number of Ξ^+ tracks with at least one MVD hit | 175 | 0 |

For numbers in this table: no restriction on number of STT hits

- A MC track is obtained if secondaries are decayed by Geant4 but not if they are decayed by EvtGen

Decay handed by Geant4

$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \Xi^-\Xi^+ \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-\bar{\Lambda}\pi^+ \rightarrow p\pi^-\pi^-\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^+$
Event Display, 3D view



Outlook

- Analyse Ξ^- events further decaying the particles in Geant4
- Investigate Ω^- events
- Thorough investigation of decay vertex positions
- Investigate usefulness of GEM plates
- Investigate performance of STTCellTrackFinder for Λ , Ξ^- and Ω^- events

Summary

$\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$ events:

- MVD useful for most events and final state particle tracks
- More final state particle tracks hit MVD pixels at lower beam momenta and MVD strips at higher beam momenta
- SciTil useful for $\sim 1/3$ of events and final state particle tracks at lowest beam momentum but not at higher beam momenta
- π^- tend to spiral in magnetic field at higher beam momenta
 - Spiralling usually confined to less than $1/2$ of STT

$\Xi^-\Xi^+$ events:

- MVD useful for $\simeq 99\%$ of events and $\simeq 69\%$ of final state particle tracks
- SciTil useful for $\simeq 77\%$ of events and $\simeq 81\%$ of final state particle tracks (more than MVD)

Thank you!

