
quark fragmentation and particle production at high energy

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The inclusive spectra of particle production in hadron-hadron (Chh) and hadron nucleus (ChA) collisions have been calculated in the framework of string model. This model proposed that the color exchange between the projectile and target nucleons leads to the formation of color strings which are assumed to fragment like strings formed in deep inelastic lepton nucleon scattering. The total inelastic hadron nucleus collision has been calculated for light nuclei (C, A, Be, C). Good agreement between experimental data and these calculations was obtained. Also, it was proven that, no big difference is seen if the target nucleons are distributed according to a $1/x$ distribution. The invariant inclusive cross section in the projectile fragmentation region is described, consistently and parameter free, in collisions of the type: $hA \rightarrow h'X$ where $h, n^+,$ and $h'^0-n^+, n^7 K^0, A, A$ and p, A is the target nucleus (C, p, Be, C, Al, Cu, Pb). X is the residual nucleus. The momentum of the incident hadron was taken as 100, 200, 300 and 400 GeV/c. An overall good agreement between the Gaussian model or the oscillator model for independent present calculations and the available experimental data was obtained. The thesis contains three chapters. The first one discusses the input information of the used model such as the structure function of partons and fragmentation functions. Also, the formulae used in calculating the total inelastic hadron nucleus $ChAD$ cross section has been derived. Chapter 2 includes a brief account of the previous work and the basic assumptions of the used model and its mathematical prescriptions. Chapter 3 includes the calculated results in this thesis and a consequent comments with the available experimental data. In addition, the thesis contains two appendices. The first shows the calculation of the integration: $\int_0^1 dv(z) e^{-lwz} dz$ where $dv(z)$ is the valence quark structure function of the proton. Appendix B contains a detailed description of the program used in the computer.