DILEPTON RADIATION FROM HADRON AND HEAVY-ION INDUCED REACTIONS IN HADES



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THE HADES PHYSICS CASE



HADES Collab., Nature Phys. 15 (2019) 10, 1040-1045 Andronic *et al.*, Nature 561 (2018) no.7723 LQCD: Borsanyi *et al.* [Wuppertal-Budapest Collab.], JHEP 1009 (2010) 073 LQCD: Bazavov *et al.*, Phys.Lett.B 795 (2019) 15-21

- Explore high- μ_B region of the QCD phase diagram
- Address various aspects of baryon-meson coupling
- □ Focus on rare and penetrating probes

π and p beams:

- □ Reference measurement (vacuum, cold nuclear matter)
- em structure of baryons/hyperons in time-like region
- Heavy-ion collisions $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2 2.4 \ GeV$:
 - Microscopic properties of baryon dominated matter
 - □ Equation-of-State:
 - o E-b-e correlations and fluctuations
 - Flavour production and collective effects
 - Dileptons

SOME BASIC FACTS ON HADES



- □ (low-mass) Fixed-target setup
- □ Large acceptance \rightarrow full azimuth, polar from 18° to 85°
- \Box Mass resolution $\rightarrow~15~\text{MeV}$ in the vector-meson region
- Efficient track reconstruction and particle identification
- □ Fast detector → accepted trigger rates: 15-20 kHz for heavy-ions, 50 kHz for hadron beams





EVENT RECONSTRUCTION

15-fold segmented Au/Ag target

- \Box $\Delta z = 3.7$ mm; 25 μ m disc x 15
- □ 1.5-2% interaction probability
- □ target region free of magnetic field



Centrality estimator:

off-line centrality selection based on hit or track multiplicity and/or Forward Wall integral charge

HADES Collab., Eur.Phys.J.A 54 (2018) 5, 85

Event plane reconstruction:

based on hits of charged projectile spectators in the FW

HADES, Phys.Rev.Lett. 125 (2020) 262301



7×10⁹ events recorded

□ trigger on 43% most central collisions

☐ min. bias events scaled down (f=8)

Event pile-up $\leq 2.5 \times 10^{-4}$

Particle identification by means of:

velocity, momentum, dE/dx, RICH information \rightarrow all combined in a multivariate analysis (neural network)



ELECTRON IDENTIFICATION

- Reconstruction efficiency 50 80% \rightarrow embedding of simulated tracks to real events
- Pion suppression factor $10^{-5} 10^{-4}$
 - → full Monte Carlo simulations



Pion suppression factor







Rotate RICH software-wise in steps of 60^o Correlate tracks with rings Get random matches



REFERENCE MEASUREMENTS

LEPTON PAIRS FROM pp AND np REACTIONS AT 1.25 GeV



Goals:

- □ Reference measurement for Au+Au at 1.23A GeV
- Exploring hadron electromagnetic structure

Results:

- Remarkable isospin effect
- □ Radiation from the internal line yields enhanced emission at high invariant masses \rightarrow off-shell (cloud-cloud) $\pi\pi$ collision



Shyam and Mosel, PRC 82 (2010) 062201



Bashkanov and Clement, Eur. Phys. J. A50 (2014)

HADES Collab., PLB 690 (2010) 118, Eur.Phys.J. A53 (2017) 149



EXCLUSIVE ANALYSIS OF $pp \rightarrow ppe^+e^-$ Pion cloud effect in $\Delta(1232)$

- □ First direct access to the $\Delta(1232)$ electromagnetic transition form factor in the time-like region
 - □ deviation from "point-like" transition
 - \Box effect of the pion cloud observed (off-shell ρ meson)

Krivoruchenko et al. Phys. Rev. D65(2002) 017502 - QED: point like γ^*NR lachello and Wan, PRC 69, 055204 (2004) - two component quark model Peña and Ramalho, PRD 93, 033004 (2016) - covariant constituent quark model Shyam and Mosel, PRC 82, 062201 (2010)

First measurement:



 $\frac{\Gamma(pe^+e^-)/\Gamma_{total}}{\frac{VALUE (units 10^{-5})}{4.19+0.34+0.62}}$

Δ(1232) BRANCHING RATIOS

¹ ADAMCZEW... 17

¹The systematic uncertainty includes the model dependence.



DILEPTONS FROM C+C AT 1 AND 2A GeV

- Enhanced pair yield above η -contribution established
 - "true" excess from dense phase?
 - contribution from the initial phase?

- C+C data reproduced (within 20%) by superposition of NN interactions
- Pair "excess" observed in C+C data has been traced back to anomalous pair production in np collisions
- No true medium effects observed, at least not for C+C data

How does the excess evolves with system size?

THERMAL RADIATION

DILEPTONS FROM 1.76A GeV Ar+KCI COLLISIONS

- □ Isolation of excess by a comparison with **measured**
 - □ "reference" spectrum the NN reference
 - decays of mesons $(\pi^0, \eta, \omega, \phi)$ at freeze-out
- □ First evidence for radiation from the "medium" in this energy regime
- □ Models with vacuum SF misses data → room for medium modifications





Weil, J.Phys.Conf.Ser. 426 (2013) 012035 sf. Endres, J.Phys.Conf.Ser. 503 (2014) 012039

THERMAL DILEPTONS FROM 1.23A GeV Au+Au COLLISIONS

Dilepton invariant mass → unique direct access to in-medium spectral function



Rapp and Wambach, Adv.Nucl.Phys. (2000) 25 CG GSI-Texas A&M: Eur. Phys. J. A, 52 5 (2016) 131 CG FRA: Phys. Rev. C 92, 014911 (2015) CG SMASH: Phys.Rev.C 98 (2018) 5, 054908

$$\frac{dN_{ll}}{d^4x d^4q} = -\frac{\alpha_{em}^2}{\pi^3 M^2} L(M^2) f^B(q \cdot u; T) Im \Pi_{em}(M, q; \mu_B, T)$$

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McLerran - Toimela formula, Phys. Rev. D 31 (1985) 545
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- Thermal rates folded with coarse-grained medium evolution from transport works at low energies
- **Melting of** ρ **! coupling to baryons are important**
- Spectrum falls exponentially $\frac{dR_{ll}}{dM} \propto (MT)^{\frac{3}{2}} \exp(-\frac{M}{T})$
- Thermometer: independent of flow, no blue shift!

THE "QUEST" FOR THERMALIZATION AT SIS18

Coarse-grained transport approach

- □ simulate events with a transport model → ensemble average to obtain smooth space-time distributions
- divide space-time in 4-dimensional cells, determine for each cell the bulk properties like *T*, ρ_B , μ_{π} , collective velocity
- \Box use in-medium $\rho \& \omega$ spectral functions to compute EM emission rates

Huovinen et al., PRC 66 (2002) 014903 CG FRA Endres et al.: PRC 92 (2015) 014911 CG GSI-Texas A&M TG et al.: EPJA 52 (2016) no.5, 131 CG SMASH: Phys.Rev.C 98 (2018) 5, 054908



MESON CLOUD

exclusive analysis $\pi^- p \rightarrow e^+ e^- n$

HADES, in preparation



Ramalho, Pena, Phys. Rev. D95 (2017) 014003 Zetenyi, Nitt, Buballa, Galatyuk, Phys. Rev. C arXiv:2012.07546 Speranza *et al.*, Phys.Lett. B764 (2017) 282 [HADES] Phys.Rev.C 102 (2020) 2, 024001 [HADES] Phys.Rev.C 95 (2017) 065205



G 4 first entries ($N\rho$) 4 additional entries first entry BR $\Delta \rightarrow pe^+e^-$

- Study the structure of the nucleon as an extended object (quark core and meson cloud)
- \Box Dominance of the $N^*(1520)$ resonance
 - \Box ontribution fixed by analysis of $\pi^+\pi^-$ channel with PWA



Connection to "soft deconfinement"?

Fukushima, Kojo, Weise, PRD 102 (2020) 9, 096017

Quantum percolation of the interaction meson clouds





[HADES] Nature Phys. 15(2019) 1040

WHAT HAVE WE LEARNT FROM EXCESS RADIATION Au+Au $\sqrt{S_{NN}}$ =2.4 GeV?

Radiation from a source

 \Box long-lived ($\tau \approx 13 fm$)

□ in local thermal equilibrium

 $\Box \langle T \rangle \approx 72 \text{ MeV}$

 $\Box \rho = 2 - 3 \rho_0$



MAPPING THE QCD "CALORIC CURVE" (T VS ε)

Rapp and v. Hess, PLB 753 (2016) 586 TG et al.: EPJA 52 (2016) 131 https://github.com/tgalatyuk/QCD caloric curve



Signature for phase transition? → phase transition may show up as a plateau → future high statistics experiments



Pochodzalla et al., PRL 75 (1995) 1040

THE FIREBALL LIFETIME

Dilepton as chronometer

 $dN/dyl_{\pi^{+}+\pi^{-}}$ 5.3 127 138 146 185 251 20 $0.3 < M_{\parallel} < 0.7 \text{ GeV/c}^2$ 0 6 $N_{\parallel} / N_{\pi^{+} + \pi^{+}}$ $\tau_{fb} imes 1.45$ 2 HADES **NA60** STAR 4 5 67 20 30 200 2 3 10 100 Collision Energy $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ [GeV]

No measurements available!

TG., JPS Conf.Proc. 32 (2020) 010079

Integrated low-mass radiation $0.3 < M < 0.7 \ GeV/c^2$ tracks thefireball lifetimeHeinz and Lee, PLB 259, 162 (1991)
Barz, Friman, Knoll and Schulz, PLB 254, 315 (1991)
Rapp, van Hees, PLB 753 (2016) 586

Excess yield reflects the number of regenerations of ρ 's / R's in fireball

Signature for phase transition (and critical point)? \rightarrow latent heat \rightarrow longer life time \rightarrow extra radiation

Tripolt, Jung, Tanji, v. Smekal, Wambach, Nucl. Phys. A982 (2019) 775 Jung, Rennecke, Tripolt, v. Smekal, Wambach, Phys. Rev. D 95 (2017) 036020 Seck, TG, et al., arXiv:2010.04614 [nucl-th] Li and Ko, Phys. Rev. C 95 (2017) no.5, 055203

COLD MATTER



VECTOR MESONS IN COLD MATTER

- Ideal probe to monitor possible lineshape modifications
- □ Low relative momentum to medium needed to increase sensitivity

HADES Collab., Phys.Lett. B715 (2012)



- First measurement of in-medium vector meson decays in the relevant momentum region (p_{ee} down to 0.2 GeV/*c*) \rightarrow not measured in this region by CLAS, KEK-E325
- HADES sees rather a melting than a shift
- \Box High-momentum ω mesons "decouple" from the medium
- Future measurements in pp and p+Ag at 4.5 GeV with HADES

Tetyana Galatyuk | HADES dileptons | Reimei Workshop | 21-23 Feb 2022

NOW and THEN

MARCH 2019 Ag+Ag COLLISIONS AT $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42, 2.55$ GeV



new RICH photo detector (with CBM) and ECAL



PMT-based RICH photodetector

Event display

- Higher ring detection efficiency
 - factor of 3 better electron identification efficiency
- Suppression of the combinatorial background via ring properties
 - factor of 8 better signal-tobackground ratio

signal / background conversion supression used no conversion supression 10 10- 10^{-2} 200 400 600 800 1000 1200 M_{ee} [MeV/c²]

 10^{2}

Very high quality of the data

Number of raw signal pairs

Experiment	# analyzed events	M _{ee} < 0.12 GeV/c ²	$0.12 < M_{ee} < 0.45 \text{ GeV/c}^2$	M _{ee} > 0.45 GeV/c ²
Au+Au (s _{NN}) ^{1/2} = 2.42 GeV	2.4 x 10 ⁹	1.15×10 ⁵	1.53×10 ⁴	581
Ag+Ag (s _{NN}) ^{1/2} = 2.42 GeV	5.9 x 10 ⁸	1.12×10⁵	1.59×10 ⁴	901
Ag+Ag (s _{NN}) ^{1/2} = 2.55 GeV	4.0 x 10 ⁹	8.80×10 ⁵	1.53×10⁵	10916

Ag+Ag work in progress results





Ag+Ag $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.55$ GeV

- □ First measurement of dilepton yield beyond vector meson mass region
- \Box Vector-meson peaks (ω, φ) clearly visible





 Allows to establish energy, systemsize, centrality dependence of the thermal di-electrons





Ag+Ag, 15... = 2.42 GeV

Au+Au, 15... = 2.42 GeV

50 100 150 200 250 300

THE UPGRADED HADES DETECTOR (FIVE NEW DETECTOR SYSTEMS)



Forward RPC LIP Coimbra

- · Based on R&D for neuLAND
- TRB3 read-out

STS2

Jagiellonian Univ.

- PANDA straw technology
- PANDA PASTTREC FEE chip

Improved physics performance through instrumentation of the very forward hemisphere using FAIR technology

STS1

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TransFAIR, Jülich

PANDA straw technology

PANDA PASTTREC FEE chip

- In particular important for the Hyperon Program
- _iTOF
- TransFAIR, Jülich
- APD read-out Enhances
- trigger purity
- **ECal** JU Krakow, INR Moscow, NPI Rez, GSI, TU Darmstadt





- T0 GSI, TU Darmstadt • LGAD technology
- LGAD technology
 In beam detector
- In-beam detector

23



300 350 400

M(e⁺e⁻) [MeV/c²]

 $\mathbf{k}^* \equiv | \vec{\mathbf{p}}_{\perp} - \vec{\mathbf{p}}_{\perp}|$

- ΔΔ. σ = 0.35 ub ΔΔ α=3.6 ub

 $\Lambda\Lambda\oplus\overline{\Lambda\Lambda}$

***** 200 300

100

0.4

HADES p+p T = 4.5 GeV

ALICE p+p is = 7 TeV

400 50 k* [MeV/c]

500



Simulation is assuming 4 weeks of beam with LH_2 target at 7.5 x 10⁷ p/s (ft) [HADES] Eur. Phys. J. A 57 (2021)

pp 4.5 GeV

Hyperon radiative decays

Hyperon Dalitz-decays

Doubly strange baryons¹

Inclusive hadrons and e^+e^-

Double Λ correlation

PRODUCTION

OR NAMES OF

HADES

HADES FAIR Phase-0



Binary NS merger

Heavy-ion collisions





 Laboratory studies of the matter properties (EoS) in compact stellar objects (binary neutron star mergers)

What are the measurable consequences of phase transition and critical point in the QCD phase diagram?

Beam intensity (flat top) 1.2×10^6 Au ions/s, 3×10^6 C ions/s 1.5% interaction length gold target 2% interaction length carbon target



E.R. Most et al., e-Print: 2201.13150 [nucl-th]



Independent and complementary Single- and double-strange hadrons studies of exotic di-baryon $d^*(2380)$

Hyperon-nucleon, hyperon-hyperon interaction

p+Ag 4.5 GeV

Short Range Correlations

Detailed study of medium modification

Extend the dielectron spectra beyond 1

of the ρ/ω

GeV/ c^2 (explore chiral ρ - a1 mixing

 Δem transition form factor in timelike

region, p+n bremsstrahlung &

studies in a few GeV range

reference for dilepton production

p+p, **d+p** (~n+**p**)

HADES FAIR Phase-0

Pion induced reactions on CH_2 , C and Ag target

Baryon time-like electromagnetic transitions and cold matter studies

 \sqrt{s} =1.76 GeV ($p_{\pi^{-}}$ =1.171 GeV) 56 shifts on CH₂, 26 shifts on C and 48 shifts on Ag

Energy scan for extraction of baryon hadronic coupling

√*s*=1.67, 1.70, 1.73, 1.79 GeV $(p_{\pi^{-}}=1.007, 1.061, 1.115, 1.228)$ GeV); 1.2 shift on CH_2 + 0.6 shift on C for each

Strangeness production in p+n reactions close to threshold

 T_d = 1.0, 1.75 GeV (84 shifts) 1.13. 1.25 GeV (18 shifts)



RÉSUMÉ AND PROSPECTS

Encouraging prospects for studying baryon dominated QCD matter with HADES

- □ HADES provides high-quality data of the dielectron production
- Unique possibility of characterizing properties of baryon rich QCD matter
- Complementary program on exclusive measurements in π , p induced reactions
- Strong scientific program for FAIR Phase-0
- ... and for FAIR Phase-1 with HADES and CBM

 New theoretical developments are expected to provide chirally and thermodynamically consistent in-medium vector-meson spectral functions (e.g. FRG, lattice QCD)

> Jung, Rennecke, Tripolt, at al., PRD95 (2017) 036020 Sasaki, Phys.Lett. B801 (2020) 135172 Larionov, von Smekal, arXiv:2109.03556 [nucl-th]



THE HADES COLLABORATION

Thank you for your attention!

BONUS SLIDES

BARYONIC MATTER AT FEW GeV BEAM ENERGY



Nucleons stopped in collision zone: \rightarrow baryon-dominated system $(N_B \cong 10N_{\pi})$ ~13 fm lifetime of interacting fireball: T < 70 MeV, ρ < 3 ρ_0 Strangeness and vector-mesons production below free *NN* threshold Dilepton production suppressed by the factor α^2

DILEPTON SIGNATURE OF A 1ST ORDER PHASE TRANSITION

em spectral function from FRG flow equations

Dilepton rates at CEP T=10 MeV, $\mu=292$ MeV

Tripolt, Jung, Tanji, v. Smekal, Wambach, Nucl. Phys. A982 (2019) 775 Jung, Rennecke, Tripolt, v. Smekal, Wambach, Phys. Rev. D 95 (2017) 036020

100 T=10 MeV µ=290 MeV µ=297 MeV 80 80 µ=298 MeV Dilepton yield ratio 60 60 T [MeV] 40 40 20 20 0.2 0.0 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.0 ω [GeV] 800 950 850 900 1000

Dilepton radiation in hydrodynamics

- implement "strong" 1st-order transition into CMF/PNJL model by increasing scalar quark couplings
- Factor of ~2 extra radiation in case of hydro with phase transition



U_R [MeV]

