Search for η'-meson nucleus bound states at GSI/FAIR

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- Introduction
- Experimental Method
- Results of Experiment in 2014
- New Experiment with WASA+FRS

Summary

Hadron mass



QCD vacuum : spontaneous breaking of chiral symmetry

Hadron masses are dynamically generated

 $\Box \ \pi, K, \eta \ \textbf{\sim} \ Nambu-Goldstone \ boson$

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Spectroscopy of bound states in nuclei
 □ well defined quantum states (nucleus x meson)
 □ overlap with nucleus → probe for finite density









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D(HI, 3He) reaction

 high resolution owing to its kinematics
 π atom is formed in projectile nucleus (Xe, U, or unstable nuclei?)

 $\square \ \rho$ dependence of quark condensate



Search for η' -nucleus bound states



η-PRiME/Super-FRS collaboration

S437 experiment at GSI (2014)

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 η' meson at nuclear density

 \Box Partial restoration of chiral symmetry ($\langle \bar{q}q \rangle$ reduced ~ 30%)

Mass reduction is expected

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 $\begin{aligned} \eta' - p \text{ scattering length by COSY-II} & E. Czerwiński et al., PRL 113, 062004 (2014) \\ & \circ \text{Re}(a_{\eta' p}) = 0 \pm 0.43 \text{ fm}, \ \text{Im}(a_{\eta' p}) = 0.37^{+0.40}_{-0.16} \text{ fm} \\ & \rightarrow |V_0| < 38 \text{ MeV}, \ W_0 = -(33^{+40}_{-14}) \text{ MeV} \text{ (low density approx.)} \end{aligned}$





Missing-mass spectroscopy of ¹²C(*p*,*d*) reaction



- overall structure w/o assuming decay process
- S/B ratio $\leq O(1/100)$ due to BG processes (e.g., $p+N \rightarrow d+\pi$'s)



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GSI facilities

□ SIS-18: 2.5 GeV proton beam

Fragment Separator (FRS): high-resolution spectrometer + (instrumental) BG rejection



Experimental setup at FRS




□ production run of C(p,d) reaction at T_p=2.5 GeV (~ 5 days)
 □ scaling momentum region of FRS

 → cover -90 to +40 MeV around η' threshold
 □ good statistics : ~O(10⁷) deuteron events
 □ calibration with D(p,d)p elastic scattering at T_p=1.6 GeV





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- \square good statistical sensitivity \leq 1% is achieved
- \Box overall (*p*,*d*) cross section consistent with quasi-free multi- π production \Box sufficient resolution 2.5 MeV(σ) achieved
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- no significant peak structure is observed
 - \rightarrow upper limits for formation cross section of η' mesic states

Upper limit of Lorentzian-shaped formation cross section

 $\Box \text{ fit function: } A \times \text{Voigt}(E; E_{\text{test}}, \Gamma_{\text{test}}, \sigma_{\text{exp}}) + \text{Pol3}(E; p_0, p_1, p_2, p_3)$



- evaluate upper limit of cross section for fixed (E_{test} , Γ_{test})
- repeat analysis for other $(E_{test}, \Gamma_{test})$



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□ ~ 10 nb/(sr·MeV) peak expected for $(V_0, W_0) = (-50, -10)$ MeV is not in conflict with present data

<u>Analysis of possible scale μ for theoretically-calculated spectrum</u>
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for various sets of potential (V_0, W_0)

 $-200 \text{ MeV} \le V_0 \le -50 \text{ MeV}$ $-25 \text{ MeV} \le W_0 \le -5 \text{ MeV}$

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Proposal of ¹²C(*p*, *dp*) reaction measurement

SEARCH FOR η' -MESIC NUCLEI IN ${}^{12}C(p, dp)$ REACTION Spokesperson: K. Itahashi Co-spokesperson: Y.K. Tanaka η -PRiME Collaboration includes K. Itahashi¹, Y. K. Tanaka², Y. Ayyad³, S. Bagchi², J. Benlliure⁴, T. Dickel², H. Fujioka⁵, H. Geissel^{2,6}, F. Goldenbaum⁷, C. Guo⁸, E. Gutz⁶, E. Haettner², M. N. Harakeh⁹, R. S. Havano¹⁰, S. Hirenzaki¹¹, C. Hornung⁶, Y. Igarashi¹², N. Ikeno¹³, M. Iwasaki¹, D. Jido¹⁴, N. Kalantar-Nayestanaki⁹, R. Kanungo¹⁵, B. Kindler², R. Knöbel^{2,6}, D. Kostyleva², N. Kurz², N. Kuzminchuk², B. Lommel², V. Metag⁶, P. Moskal¹⁶, I. Mukha², T. Nagae⁵, H. Nagahiro¹¹, M. Nanova⁶, T. Nishi¹, H. J. Ong¹⁷, H. Outa¹, S. Pietri², W. Plass², A. Prochazka², S. Purushothaman², C. Rappold², M. P. Reiter², J. Ritman⁷, J. L. Rodríguez-Sánchez⁴, O. Rundel¹⁶, T. Saito², C. Scheidenberger^{2,6}, H. Simon², B. Sitar¹⁸, M. Skurzok¹⁶, P. Strmen¹⁸, B. Sun⁸, K. Suzuki¹⁹, I. Szarka¹⁸, M. Takechi²⁰, I. Tanihata^{8,17} S. Terashima⁸, Y. N. Watanabe¹⁰, H. Weick², E. Widmann¹⁹, J. S. Winfield², X. Xu⁸, and J. Zhao⁸. ¹RIKEN Nishina Center, ²GSI Helmholtzzentrum für Schwerionenforschung, ³LBNL, ⁴Universidade de Santiago de Compostela, ⁵Kyoto University, ⁶Universität Giessen, ⁷IKP, FZ Jülich, ⁸Beihang University, ⁹KVI-CART, University of Groningen, ¹⁰The University of Tokyo, ¹¹Nara Women's University, ¹²KEK, ¹³Tottori University, ¹⁴Tokyo Metropolitan University, ¹⁵Saint Mary's University, ¹⁶Jagiellonian University, ¹⁷RCNP, Osaka University, ¹⁸Comenius University Bratislava, ¹⁹Stefan-Meyer-Institut für subatomare Physik, and ²⁰Niigata University.

Abstract

We propose to measure excitation spectrum of ¹¹C near the η' -production threshold in order to search for narrow structures due to formation of η' -mesic nuclei, bound systems of an η' meson and a nucleus. The expected spectra vary according to the assumed η' -nucleus interaction for which we have very limited knowledge. We have a concrete and strategic experimental approved proposal in GPAC (2017)

using WASA central detector at FRS-GSI

S490 experiment at GSI (scheduled in 2022 Feb.--Mar.)

Experimental setup with WASA at FRS



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Transportation of WASA from COSY to GSI



Transportation of all items needed for FAIR phase-0

completed in 2019/March

@ COSY, FZ-Jülich







Testing WASA-MDC at FRS/GSI

- Drift chambers base on straw tubes for charged particle tracking in the solenoid magnet
- 17 cylindrical layers (9 layers parallel to z axis, 8 layers "stereo"), in total 1738 channels
- ◊ Cosmic-ray test has been already performed in 2018-2019



test setup at WASA container

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Upgrading PSB (plastic scintillator barrel)

Prototype: MPPC readout at both sides to improve time resolution



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Test of new PSB prototype using proton beam



2019 Feb., at COSY, Jülich

We performed systematic studies of the time resolution by changing ...

- ♦ Bias voltage
- Our Number of connected SiPMs
- ♦ Hit position ♦ Incident beam angles
 - Readout electronics

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2021 June standard FRS-F2



essential devices for separation and identification of fragments for NUSTAR experiments

2021 July: Roof was opened; FRS standard chamber was removed



2021 August: Installation of CsI Rail structure



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2021 September: Installation of Support frame for Magnet



October 5, 2021 Installation of Support frame for Magnet





October-November, 2021

Installation LHe transfer line from 3000L LHe storage dewar



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December, 2021 (last week)

WASA detector was closed for final tests



Beam Time is scheduled in 2022

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 Spectroscopy of bound states in nucleus offers possibility to directly study in-medium properties of hadrons.

- Dependent of the Vertice Point of the Vertice Point of τ η' mesic nuclei by missing-mass spectroscopy of the ${}^{12}C(p,d)$ reaction in 2014.
 - Excitation-energy spectrum of the ¹²C(p,d) reaction has been obtained around the η' emission threshold, with a high statistical sensitivity and sufficiently small resolution.
 - As no distinct peak structure is observed, upper limits of formation cross section have been determined.
 - From comparison with theoretically-calculated formation spectra, large potential depth $|V_0| \sim 150$ MeV is excluded around $|W_0| < 25$ MeV.