## Design and Performance of the Future Cluster-Jet Target for PANDA at FAIR

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#### The PANDA experiment at FAIR Overview

- FAIR: Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research
- HESR: High Energy Storage Ring
- **PANDA**: AntiProton ANnihilation at DArmstadt



#### The PANDA experiment at FAIR PANDA detector

 $\overline{p} + p \longrightarrow$  mesons, exotic hadrons  $\Rightarrow$  insights into strong interaction



For  $4\pi$  solid angle acceptance  $\longrightarrow$  installation of the internal target in a distance of 2.1 m from interaction point

Planned internal targets for PANDA: cluster-jet target & pellet target

## Requirements for an internal target for PANDA

- High purity of used target material
  - $\longrightarrow$  Decrease of background reactions
- Target density
  - $\rho_T$  in order of  $10^{15} \frac{atoms}{cm^2}$  at  $2.1 \,\mathrm{m}$   $\longrightarrow$  Full exploit of antiproton production rate
  - Constant in time & adjustable (offline)
    - $\longrightarrow$  For data aquisition
- Variable target beam size & shape (offline)
  - $\longrightarrow$  Depends on experimental programm
- Effective target beam size as small as possible

 $\longrightarrow\,$  Low influence on vacuum conditions in the HESR

cluster-jet target



#### target spectrometer

# Prototype of a high density cluster-jet target for $\overline{\mathsf{P}}\mathsf{ANDA}^\mathsf{I}$ $\mathsf{Overview}$

- Prototype already built up and set successfully into operation
- Complete system installed in PANDA geometry (scattering chamber corresponds to PANDA interaction point)



 Cluster beam characteristics can be transferred directly to the situation at PANDA

beam dump • Target beam diagnostics in scattering chamber

 $\implies$  Determination of cluster beam position, size & density

#### Prototype of a high density cluster-jet target for $\overline{P}ANDA$ Cluster production with a Laval nozzle (in case of hydrogen gas)

• Cluster: Particle with *n* atoms/molecules, in this case van der Waals interactions responsible for bonding  $10^{-1}$  mbar  $10^{-5}$  mbar



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- Pressure range: p = 7 20 bar

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- Skimmer:  $\emptyset = 0.5 \,\mathrm{mm}$  (movable)

(differential pump system)

• Collimator:  $\emptyset = 0.7 \,\mathrm{mm}$  (movable)

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#### Prototype of a high density cluster-jet target for $\overline{P}ANDA$ Scattering chamber



Scattering chamber equipped with a beam diagnostic system  $\implies$  **Determination of:** 

- target position
- size
- density













































Determination of target position, size and density





stick position

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Determination of target position, size and density



#### pressure in scattering chamber





















Determination of target position, size and density



 $\frac{p_{sc}}{v_c}$ 

 $\rho_T$ : Target density  $p_{sc}$ : Pressure increase in scattering chamber  $v_c$ : Cluster velocity

 $(200-1000\,\mathrm{m/s})$ 

 $\longrightarrow$  see talk of A. Täschner at 12.20

	PROMISE/WASA (CELSIUS)	E835 (FERMILAB)	ANKE, COSY11 (COSY)	PANDA Prototype (IKP Münster)
nozzle diameter	$< 100\mu{ m m}$	<b>37</b> μm	$11-16\mu\mathrm{m}$	<b>28</b> μm
gas temperature	$20-35\mathrm{K}$	$15-40{\rm K}$	$22-35{\rm K}$	$20-35\mathrm{K}$
gas pressure	1.4 bar	$< 8\mathrm{bar}$	$18\mathrm{bar}$	$> 18 \mathrm{bar}$
distance from nozzle <i>r</i>	$0.325\mathrm{m}$	0.26 m	0.65 m	2.1 m
max. areal density	$1.3\times10^{14}\mathrm{cm}^{-2}$	$2\times 10^{14}{\rm cm}^{-2}$	$\gg 10^{14}\mathrm{cm}^{-2}$	$8 imes 10^{14}{ m cm}^{-2}$ (with presented setup)

#### Target density decreases with $1/r^2$

#### Target density ...at 17 bar, above critical point (33.18 K, 13 bar)



- Target density **easy to vary** over several orders of magnitude (*T*, *p*)
- Increase of target density with decreasing temperature up to 24 K (with small variations)
- Drop because of different state of matter at formation of clusters (supercritical fluid → fluid)
- Decreasing target density below 24 K ???

#### Overview


































































# Cluster beam in skimmer chamber 18.3 K, 18.5 bar



Cluster beam in skimmer chamber



- Inhomogeneous cluster beam in skimmer chamber
- Density still constant in scattering chamber (PANDA interaction point) → extracted beam is homogeneous
- Do we have a higher density at the brighter area?
- $\implies$  Movable nozzle required

## Improvement of target density

#### Movable nozzle



# Improvement of target density Spherical joint



# Improvement of target density

Nozzle extension



#### Improvement of target density Movable nozzle



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#### Improvement of target density 19 K, 18.5 bar





#### Improvement of target density 19 K, 18.5 bar
































































### Improvement of target density



• Volume density:  $1.9 \times 10^{15} \, \mathrm{atoms}/\mathrm{cm}^3$ 

# Improvement of vacuum in scattering chamber Special shaped collimator



• Using a collimator with a slit instead of a round opening

 $\implies \text{Reduces the influence on}$ the vacuum in scattering chamber or rather in the HESR

#### Improvement of vacuum in scattering chamber LM-Micrograph of a collimator with round opening and slit



 $150 \times 860 \,\mu\mathrm{m}$ 

#### Improvement of vacuum in scattering chamber Round shaped cluster beam vs. line formed cluster beam



Cluster beam is easy to shape with an orifice  $\implies$  Effective target beam size as small as possible

### Requirements for an internal target for $\overline{P}ANDA$

- High purity of used target material H<sub>2</sub> √ (good experience with the use of D<sub>2</sub> at previous cluster-jet targets)
- Target density
  - $ho_T$  in order of  $10^{15} \, {{\rm atoms}\over{{\rm cm}^2}}$  at  $2.1 \, {\rm m}$  with movable nozzle  $\checkmark$
  - constant in time & adjustable (depends on temperature & pressure settings) √
- Variable target beam size & shape (collimator)  $\checkmark$
- Effective target beam size as small as possible
  → Low influence on vacuum conditions in the HESR (special shaped collimator) √

#### All requirements are fulfilled by using a cluster-jet target

### Summary and Outlook

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- Cluster-jet target prototype built up in  $\overline{P}ANDA$  geometry
- Prototype set successfully into operation (see A. Täschner, et al., Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A (2011) & talk of A. Khoukaz, Friday 14.10.2011 at 12.30)
- Inhomogeneous clusterbeam & use of spherical joint lead to higher densities  $\implies$  Target density:  $1.9 \times 10^{15} \frac{atoms}{cm^3}$  at 2.1 m ...so far  $\ddot{\sim}$
- $\bullet$  The prototype fulfills all requirements for  $\overline{\mathsf{P}}\mathsf{ANDA}$

#### Outlook

- Search for settings with the highest density
- Search for smallest size for a special shaped collimator to improve vacuum conditions
- Research on cluster size and mass
- $\bullet$  Construction of the final target for  $\overline{\mathsf{P}}\mathsf{ANDA}$  in progress

### Thank you for your attention!







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