The SπRIT and pion detectors in RIKEN for the experimental study of symmetry energy with heavy ion collisions

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Heavy Ion Collision to study density dependent symmetry energy



- Large uncertainty on nuclear symmetry energy at $\rho \gg \rho_0$ compared with that for $\rho \leqq \rho_0$ region.
- Heavy ion collision is currently unique way to produce high dense matter in the laboratory.
- It is challenging to extract the information related to EoS because of complicated nuclear collision dynamics.

One of the high density probes for E_{sym} : pion production

- Larger values for ρ_n/ρ_p at high density: softer Esym causes stronger emission of negative pions.
- In delta resonance model, $Y(\pi^-)/Y(\pi^+) \approx (\rho_n/\rho_p)^2$
- In equilibrium, $\mu(\pi^+)-\mu(\pi^-)=2(\mu_p-\mu_n)$



Pion Calculation and Symmetry energy

- Pion Calculations by some models
 - B. A. Li, PRL 88 (2002) 192701 : IBUU
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 - Z. Q. Feng and G. M. Jin, PLB 683 (2010) 140 : ImQMD
 - J. Hong and P. Danielewicz , PRC90 (2014) 024605 : pBUU
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 - Wen-Mei Guo, Gao-Chan Yong and Wei Zuo, PRC90 (2014) 044605 ... etc.
- Pion ratio in central Au+Au collisions: Theory vs. Exp. Data



Series of HIC experiments under GeV energy beam in Japan

- Most of previous experimental studies use mass symmetric collisions so far.
- It is useful also to study with mass-asymmetric collision to distinguish different moving source like NN, participant-participant and nucleus-nucleus.
- HIC experiment with RI-beam
 - →SPiRIT project at RIKEN
- Pion experiments using stable beam
 - \rightarrow Pilot experiment of SPiRIT at HIMAC
 - RI-beam \rightarrow require large acceptance
 - Stable beam \rightarrow small acceptance detector still works.

HIC experiment at HIMAC

- HIMAC: <u>Heavy lon M</u>edical <u>A</u>ccelerator in <u>C</u>hiba
- Synchrotron type accelerator for medical usage
- C, Si, Xe projectile can be utilized
- Up to sub-GeV/A beam energy



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Pion range counter for detecting pions



Multiplicity Array 27-58 deg.



| Beam | ²⁸ Si | ¹³² Xe |
|--------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Energy(AMeV) | 400, 600, 800 | 400 |
| | | |

- Target : In ~ 390 mg/cm²
- Typical Intensity : ~ 107 ppp
- Range Counter : 14 layers (+2) of Sci.
- measured angle (θlab)
- : 30, 45, 60, 75, 90, 120 degree
- solid angle : 10 msr

Pion Detection Principle



Result of pion production \rightarrow It well overlaps with moving source frame.



$$1 + a_2 cos^2 \theta_{mov} \quad p_{mov} cos \theta_{mov} = \gamma_{mov} (p_{lab} cos \theta_{lab} - \beta_{mov} E_{lab})$$

Differential π -/ π + ratio

weak angular dependence clear energy dependence

 π -/ π + supports (N/Z)²





Heavy RI Collision experiment @RIKEN-RIBF \rightarrow SPiRIT project

- Experimental project to give a constrain on the density dependent symmetry energy main for higher dense region.
- Systematic measurement in same Z but different N system realized with heavy RI beam.
 - Scaling with δ .
 - $\rho \sim 2\rho_0$ nuclear matter at RIBF energy (E/A=270MeV).

| Primary | Beam | Target | E _{beam} /A | $(N-Z/A)_{sys}$ |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| 2380 | ¹³² Sn | ¹²⁴ Sn | 270 | 0.22 |
| | ¹²⁴ Sn | ¹¹² Sn | 270 | 0.15 |
| ¹²⁴ Xe | ¹⁰⁸ Sn | ¹¹² Sn | 270 | 0.09 |
| | ¹¹² Sn | ¹²⁴ Sn | 270 | 0.15 |

- Successfully finished.
 - 2016 Apr. Jun.

Collaboration for New Exp. at RIBF: SPiRIT SAMURAI Pion Reconstruction and Ion Tracker



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International Collaboration aiming to study density dependent symmetry energy through <u>Heavy RI Collision</u> experiments.

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RIKEN RI Beam Factory (RIBF)



Intense (80 kW max.) H.I. beams (up to U) of 345AMeV at SRC Fast RI beams by projectile fragmentation and U-fission at BigRIPS Operation since 2007





SAMURAI Spectrometer





Pad Plane (12mm x 8mm pads)

Readout Electronics for TPC: GET

- GET: novel readout system for TPC
 - Integrated system from Frontend to DAQ.
 - Developed by France-USA Collaboration.
- Configurable even after the installation
 - gain can be selected pad by pad: 120fC~10pC
 - Shaping T, Sampling rate
- Ch. by ch. hit registering \rightarrow Selective digitization

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ASIC+Frontend Trigger management Backend Image: Comparison of the provided of t

2015 Aug.: Installation of electronics finished Event ID: 152 (Gain not calibrated) 450 250 150 z (mn base line distribution ped 900 F Entries 12096 4.421 0.2537 Mean 800 RMS 700 600 Pedestal 500 400 RMS for all of pads 300 200 AsAd standalone \rightarrow ~2.5 100 0 ⊑. 3.5

7.5

ADC

6.5



SPiRIT experimental setup: beam line+TPC+trigger+NeuLAND



Functionality of each devices

- Main devices for produced particle measurement:
- TPC
 - Measure charged particles produced in collision
 - R. Shane et al., NIM A 784 (2015) 513
 - G. Jhang et al., Jour. of Korean Phys. Soc. 69-2 (2016) 144
 - S. Tangwancharoen et al., NIM A 853 (2017) 44
- NeuLAND
 - Measure neutrons produced in collision
- Event characterization:
- Beam line detector (BigRIPS)
 - Identify projectile colliding with Sn target.
- Trigger array
 - Trigger "central" collision events.
 - NIM A 856 (2017) 92



Beam PID

First Physics Run at 2016 spring

Run#3176 - Event ID: 1 (Gain not calibrated) - Top view



- Beam rate: 10kHz, trig. rate: 70Hz
- ~30M Events: 60Hz, 7MB/eve \rightarrow 420MB/sec
- 250TB/2week (no selective digitization, no zero-suppression)

Dead channels along beam trajectory

Run#2900 - Event ID: 3 (Gain not calibrated) - Top view



- Seen along beam trajectory \rightarrow due to δ -ray? \rightarrow but δ -ray is supposed to be suppressed with B-field.
- Could not be seen in the case of cosmic
- Varies event by event



Preamp becomes dead for a certain time due to huge signal



- Output of CSA is kept to be saturated in the case of huge signal
- As long as output is saturated, no signal comes out from following shaper →behaves as dead
- Dead for 2 msec in the case of 10pC charge input
- 10pC corresponds to the charge from Z~35 nuclei

| | | deadtime |
|----------|--------|---------------------|
| Z | Q (fC) | (µ-sec) |
| 2.886751 | 50 | 0 |
| 4.472136 | 120 | 0 |
| 6.324555 | 240 | 65 |
| 6.879922 | 284 | 100 |
| 8.944272 | 480 | 255 |
| Sn Beam | 28398 | 22024.52 |
| 87.5595 | 46000 | ₂₇ 35800 |

δ -ray which cannot be blocked with GG





✓ 10kHz beam rate: 1beam per 100µsec

- Part of δ -ray coming from beam passes
- \rightarrow Make a dead time on the pad
- Independent from trigger rate, probability of dead pads increase depending on beam rate
- ✓ Acceptable beam rate of pads along beam line is limited due to this effect

600

z (mm)

SARIT

1000

1200

800

500



Increasing dynamic range: pad desaturation

Goal: extend the dynamic range of the TPC Problem: saturated pads lose charge info

$$\rho(x)$$

$$PRF(x) = \int_{x-\frac{W}{2}}^{x+\frac{W}{2}} \rho(x')dx'$$

Idea: usage of pad response function (PRF) Integral of the charge distribution over one pad.

How to use:

- 1) Find the charge center of gravity
- 2) Calculate the distance of the center of each pad from the c.o.g.
- 3) Calculate the fraction of charge of the pad over the total charge
- 4) From the tails of the distribution we can estimate the charge of the saturated pad

Run#3203 - Event ID: 92 (Gain not calibrated) - Top view





Increasing dynamic range: pad desaturation



- Avalanche is directly over pad (i.e. 0mm).
 - The fractional charge seen on that pad would be 75% of the total charge.
- Center of pad is 8mm from the avalanche
 - The fractional charge would be about 10% of the total charge



Increasing dynamic range: pad desaturation

- Test performed on the E=100-300MeV Z=1-3 cocktail beam
- Preliminary overlap of energy loss calculation (Bichsel curves) with data



2nd way: using signal slope value as deposited charge information

- Scan for steepest bin of a signal.
- Slope of signal shows linearity for higher pulser voltage.
- According to SPICE simulation, linearity can be kept up to 240fC input.
 - i.e. ~2 times wider

120fC D.R. 117 ns Shaping time

 Work in progress for combining two methods.



¹³²Sn+¹²⁴Sn Particle ID spectra



While we took a long time to establish the sophisticated tracking software..., we finally to move on to the physics analysis!!



- Suppress background events and take "central" collision events
 - The fraction of events that we are interested in is only O(0.1)%
- Sophisticated trigger system to take central collision data: side array +34 Forward VETO.

The impact parameter triggered by SpiRIT



- Trigger efficiency and impact parameter are evaluated with transportation code.
 - Finite resolution of impact parameter(b): Mean of b: 6fm, width of b: 4fm.
- Possible to centrality selection with number of track information.
- Need to evaluate the transportation code itself.

Comparison with several transportation codes



- Number of hit on side array is compared with simulation filtered with trigger acceptance.
- Side array located at mid-rapidity. → Looking particles coming to mid-rapidity.
- AMD w/ cluster shows less multiplicity → Too much cluster in AMD?

Summary

- Experimental projects to study the density dependent symmetry energy is ongoing in Japan.
- Doubly differential cross sections of p+ an p- for the Si+In reactions at 400, 600 and 800 AMeV were measured with Pion range counter.
- First experiment of heavy RI collision, SPiRIT project, was performed at RIKEN-RIBF.
- SPiRIT-TPC + GET
 - →We try to understand the detector/electronics response for the simultaneous measurement of light and heavier particles.
- SPiRIT Trigger system for central collision
- Experimental data will come soon. Maybe pion at first. Can we understand what will come?