



REVIEW OF THE HADES EXPERIMENT

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THE HADES PHYSICS CASE



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

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

π and p beams:

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

LABORATORY STUDIES OF THE MATTER PROPERTIES (EoS) IN COMPACT STELLAR OBJECTS

Neutron Star merger (model calculations)



M. Hanauske, Journal of Phys.: Conf. Series 878 (2017) 012031 L. Rezzolla *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, no. 6, 061101 (2019) Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.4 \ GeV$ (UrQMD)



- New since 2019 RICH photo camera, ECAL (5 sectors)
- In 2020 forward detector system Sraw Tracker, RPC
- For 2022 new MDC FEE and 100 kHz DAQ upgrade



- □ Accepted trigger rates:
 - \Box 8 kHz in Apr 2012 Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \ GeV$
 - □ 16 kHz in Mar 2019 Ag+Ag $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ = 2.55 GeV and $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ = 2.42 GeV
 - □ 50 kHz for hadron beams

SOME BASIC FACTS ON HADES

EVENT SELECTION and PARTICLE IDENTIFICATION

- Au beam on 15-fold segmented Au target
- \Box 7×10⁹ events recorded
 - LVL1 trigger on 43% most central collisions
 - □ Min. bias events scaled down (factor 8)



- Velocity, Momentum
- □ dE/dx in MDC and ToF
- RICH information



EVENT CHARACTERIZATION ENTRALITY ESTIMATORS

Centrality estimator

Off-line centrality selection based on hit or track multiplicity and/or Forward Wall (FW) integral charge

Centrality determination based on FW avoids bias on e-b-e fluctuation observables



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Using Glauber MC - distributions agree with transport model calculations (processed by GEANT and filtered with standard analysis code)

GlauberMC × NBD(μ , k) × $\epsilon(\alpha)$

Data min, bias

Data central (PT3)

30-40% 20-30%

100

50

0

HADES Au+Au 1.23 AGeV

0-10%

200

250

N_{hits}

150

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



Based on hits of charged projectile spectators in the FW

Based on method by J.-Y. Ollitrault, arXiv:nucl-ex/9711003 $v_n = v_n^{obs} / \Re_n \qquad \Re_n = \langle \cos [n(\Psi_n - \Psi_{RP})] \rangle$

Resolution determined from sub-event resolution



HADES Collab., arXiv:2005.12217 [nucl-ex]



BULK PROPERTIES OF THE MATTER

PIONS Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \ GeV$

- ~1 pion per 10 baryons
- High statistics sample
- □ Large phase-space coverage



World data



J. W. Harris et al. , Phys. Rev. Lett. 58 (1987) 463 R. Averbeck et al. Phys. Rev. C 67 (2003), 024903 E895, J. L. Klay et al., Phys. Rev. C 68 (2003) 054905

FOPI, W.Reisdorf et al., Phys. A 781, 459 (2007) FOPI data 2.5 σ above world data

HADES, Eur.Phys.J.A 56 (2020) 10, 259

MICROSCOPIC DESCRIPTION

Example for π^- , same holds for π^+



Pion and Proton "Temperatures" in HIC R. Stock et al., Phys.Rev.Lett 1984

- □ Microscopic transport models consistently fail to describe the data
 - Main source of pions baryonic resonances propagating in hot and dense fireball

THERMAL EVENT GENERATOR (THERMINATOR 2)

Extension of the model to not boost invariant systems S. Harabasz et al., arXiv:2003.12992 [nucl-th] (accepted by PRC)

- Freeze-out model: Siemens-Rasmussen
- $\Box \quad \text{Hubble-like expansion velocity profile } \beta = \tanh(Hr)$
- \Box Δ spectral function from πN phase shift P.M. Lo et al., PRC 96 (2017) 015207



Good description of most abundant particles using a thermal model with only few simple assumptions!

CORRELATED PION-PROTON PAIR EMISSION



- High statistics allows multi-differential analysis
- □ Next: Understanding of "kinematical" mass shift with S-matrix formalism
- Comparison to microscopic transport

UrQMD, T. Reichert et al., 2004.10539 [nucl-th]; Astron.Nachr. 340 (2019) 9-10, 1018-1022 Pok Man Lo, Eur. Phys.J. C77 (2017) no.8, 533 R. Dashen etal., Phys. Rev. 187 (1969) 345 R.Venugopalan et al., Nucl. Phys. A 546 (1992) 718 W. Weinhold, B. Friman, Phys. Lett. B 433 (1998) 236

PROTONS AND LIGHT NUCLEI



High statistic multi-differential data



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MACROSCOPIC DESCRIPTION OF YIELDS

Including excited nuclei

V. Vovchenko H. Stoecker Comput.Phys.Commun. 244 (2019) 295



- Grand canonical ensemble (T, μ_B, V)
- Strangeness canonically suppressed at low T using a correlation radius $R_c < RV$
- \Box Include feed-down from ⁴*He*, ⁴*H*, ⁴*Li*
 - D. Hahn, H. Stöcker, Nucl.Phys.A 476 (1988) 718-772 E. Shuryak, J. M. Torres-Rincon Phys.Rev.C 101 (2020) 3, 034914

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- Coupling of statistical particle production with a blast wave model
- Compare directly spectra including effects of blast and resonance decays

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- □ Hadron abundances described by *T*, μ_B , R_c , R_V → But resulting in a large $\chi^2 = 6$ → $\chi^2 = 1.6$, when strangeness excluded



1st time this kind of analysis in fixed-target experiment at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \ GeV$

Detailed systematic study of experimental and instrumental effects



PROTON NUMBER FLUCTUATIONS

CRITICAL FLUCTUATIONS

STAR, arXiv: 2001.02852 (resubmitted)



cf. B. Friman *et al.*, EPJC 71 (2011) 1694 M. Stephanov, Phys.Rev.Lett.107 (2011) 052301

 $\begin{array}{c|c} & \text{High moments} \quad S\sigma = \frac{\kappa_3}{\kappa_2} \quad k\sigma^2 = \frac{\kappa_4}{\kappa_2} \quad \kappa_2, \kappa_3, \kappa_4 \text{ cumulants} \\ & \text{of proton multiplicity distributions probe} \\ & \text{the structure of strong interaction matter} \end{array} \\ & \text{Direct link to EoS} \quad \frac{1}{VT^3} k_n = \frac{\partial^n \hat{p}}{\partial \hat{\mu}^n} \quad \begin{array}{c} \hat{p} = \frac{p}{T^4} \text{ reduced pressure} \\ & \hat{\mu} = \frac{\mu}{T} \text{ reduced chemical potential} \end{array}$

Ling, Stephanov, PRC 93, 034915 (2016) Cumulants k_n hold information on multi-particle correlators C_n

Bzdak, Koch, Strodthoff, PRC 95, 054906 (2017)

Investigate C_n vs. $\langle N_p \rangle$ to isolate relevant physics, $C_n \propto \langle N_p \rangle^{\alpha}$

$\langle N_P \rangle$ SCALING OF CORRELATORS C_n





SYSTEM WITH LONG-RANGE CORRELATIONS?

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- □ Universal scaling with participant number
- Does not reflect the hierarchy of NN production thresholds
 - \Box $K^+\Lambda$: -160 MeV
 - \Box $K^+K^-: -470 MeV$
- Not expected if strangeness produced in *isolated* NN collisions

Scaling with absolute amount of strangeness not with individual hadron states

MESON CLOUD

Exclusive analysis, e^+e^- invariant mass distribution ratio to point-like contributions



$$pp \rightarrow ppe^+e^-$$



- Studying the structure of the nucleon as an extended object
- Dominance of the N*(1520) resonance
 - Contribution fixed by analysis of $\pi^+\pi^-$ channel with PWA

Excitation of a baryon can be carried by the meson cloud

VDM form factor models

HADES, Phys.Rev.C 95 (2017) 065205

DILEPTON EXCESS YIELD

HADES Collab., Nature Physics 15 (2019) 1040

Au+Au √s_{NN}=2.42 GeV 0-40%

NN ref., η , ω subtracted

 $kT = 71.8 \pm 2.1 \text{ MeV}$



McLerran - Toimela formula, Phys. Rev. D 31 (1985) 545

- Thermal rates folded over coarse-grained medium evolution from transport works at low energies
- Radiation from a long-lived source ($\tau \approx 13 \ fm$) in local thermal equilibrium
- ρ melts mass spectrum falls exponentially

 → slope measures radiating source T (no blue shift)



Mapping QCD caloric curve (T vs ε)

NA60: AIP Conf.Proc. (2010) 1322 HADES: Nature Physics 15 (2019) 1040 Rapp&Hess, PLB 753 (2016) 586 TG *et al.*: EPJA 52 (2016) 131

 $\begin{array}{c} -HSD \\ p \ coll.broad. + \Delta + \\ Bremss. (NN, \pi N) \\ \hline \\ 0.2 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.6 \\ 0.8 \\ M_{ee} \ (GeV/c^2) \end{array}$

In-medium p:

- CG SMASH

CG GSI-Texas A&M

- CG FRA

CG FRA: Phys. Rev. C 92, 014911 (2015) CG GSI-Texas A&M: Eur. Phys. J. A, 52 5 (2016) 131 CG SMASH: Phys.Rev.C 98 (2018) 5, 054908 HSD: Phys. Rev. C 87, 064907 (2013)

 $1/N_{\pi^0} dN_{excess}^{4\pi}/dM_{ee} (GeV/c^2)^{-1}$

10⁻⁴

10⁻⁵⊧

10⁻⁶

MULTI-DIFFERENTIAL PATTERN OF DILEPTON RADIATION

Dileptons carry invaluable information in terms of their four-momentum



AZIMUTHAL ANISOTROPY

TWO-PION INTENSITY INTERFEROMETRY

3D HBT ($\pi^{-}\pi^{-}$) image of Au+Au collision zone



 $\Phi = \angle yb$ (long axis and impact parameter)

- Identical particle correlations from Au-Au collisions, a.f.o. relative event-plane angle Φ and pair momentum
- Size modulations available for 6 bins in pair momentum
- Initial (nuclear overlap) eccentricity \square is relaxed at freeze-out $\epsilon_{\text{initial}} > \epsilon_{\text{final}}$.





HADES, Phys.Lett.B 795 (2019) 446-45 HADES, Eur.Phys.J.A 56 (2020) 5, 140

PROTONS and LIGHT NUCLEI v_n , n = 1 - 6



Sensitivity to the EoS: $p, d v_{2,3,4} \{ \psi_{RP} \}$ $V_{sk} = -124 \left(\frac{\rho_{int}}{\rho_0} \right) + 71 \left(\frac{\rho_{int}}{\rho_0} \right)^2$

UrQMD: P. Hillmann et al., J. Phys. G47 (2020) 055101

Rapidity dependense paramerized with $v_{1,3,5}(y_{cm}) = ay_{cm} + by_{cm}^{3}$ $v_{2,4,6}(y_{cm}) = c + dy_{cm}^{2}$

HADES, arXiv:2005.12217 [nucl-ex]

3D PICTURE OF THE PARTICLE EMISSION PATTERN

In momentum space



 $1 + 2\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \left(y_{cm} \right) \cos n \left(\phi - \psi_{RP} \right)$

With rapidity depend parameterisation n = 1 - 6 (see previous slide)

- At mid-rapidity
 - □ Almost elliptical shape
 - Odd coefficients consistent with zero
- □ Very forward/backward rapidities
- □ Triangular shape
- Interplay: central fireball pressure interaction with spectator matter

"IDEAL FLUID SCALING"

Protons and light nuclei

- □ Ideal fluid dynamics predicts contribution to v_4 from v_2 at large p_t by $v_4 = 0.5 v_2^2$
- □ Realistic hydro calculation at RHIC $v_4/v_2^2 \sim 0.63$

N. Borghini and J.-Y. Ollitrault Phys.Lett. B642 (2006) 227-231

At mid-rapidity v_4/v_2^2 for *p*, *d*, *t* are remarkably close to **0.5**



NOW and THEN

Ag+Ag COLLISIONS AT $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.55 \text{ GeV}$ (+3 DAYS RUN AT $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \text{ GeV}$)

4 weeks run in Mar 2019, 14×10^9 events on disk, 43% most central + downscaled min.bias







- Calibrations ongoing and full Monte-Carlo for efficiency corrections running.
- Performance of new RICH photo detector (with CBM) and ECAL at design value.

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RÉSUMÉ AND PROSPECTS

Encouraging prospects for studying baryon dominated QCD matter with HADES

- □ Results from Au+Au collisions suggest a thermalized strongly interacting medium created at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \ GeV$
 - □ Thermal models fit yield and spectra
 - Data sensitive to the EoS (hydro description works)
 - □ Thermal origin of dilepton excess spectrum
 - System with long-range correlations (?)
- Complementary program on exclusive measurements in π , p induced reactions
- Strong scientific program for FAIR Phase-0
- ... and for FAIR Phase-1

movie FAIR status Apr 2020



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