G. Verde, INFN Catania Structure of nuclear systems at the extreme of their existence SHE Be Li He H Ζ n-Halos N Ν



In-medium correlations and structure

- Structure of diluted and hot nuclear matter – Structure interplays with EoS and dynamics
- Tools: particle-particle correlations, **femtoscopy** and **resonance decays**
 - Imaging emitting sources and transport models
 - IMF-IMF correlations: time-scales and charge splitting
 - In-medium structure and clustering with complex light particle correlations
 - Data from MSU and GANIL experiments on Xe+Au and Ar+Ni central collisions

Femtoscopy in nuclear reactions



Final State Interactions + Quantum statistics (if identical)

Intensity interferometry / Femtoscopy

q = mom. of relative motion



Femtoscopy in nuclear reactions



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Intensity interferometry / Femtoscopy





Significant sensitivity to σ_{NN}

Experimental observables sensitive to the Dynamical pre-equilibrium stage

> G. Verde, P. Danielewicz et al. Phys. Rev. C67, 034606 (2002)

Symmetry energy and femtoscopy



Sensitivity determined by effects of Esym on neutron/proton relative emission times at the **early stages of the collision**

IBUU (Texas A&M 2003)

Early dynamical sources: pBUU Vs. Data

Xe+Au E/A=50 MeV (Central)



pBUU simulations

T. Minniti, B. Barker, GV, P. Danielewicz et al. to be submitted

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Experimental data (LASSA @ MSU)

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Source size



% of dynamical early emissions



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Energy scan of central collisions



INDRA 4p multi-detector

angular coverage $\approx 90\% (4\pi)$ 336 *independent cells* telecopes C₃F₈ gas chamber – Si (300 mm) – CsI (5-14cm)

³⁶Ar + ⁵⁸Ni E/A=32, 40, 52, 63, 74, 84, 95 MeV

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- Breakup asymmetry in CM-Forward Vs. CM-Backward Emissions
- Granular projectile fragmentation mechanism (jet) (talk by P. Napolitani)



BLOB (P. Napolitani, M. Colonna)



³⁶Ar + ⁵⁸Ni

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Time-scales



INDRA data





IMF-IMF correlation functions: Coulomb FSI dominates → Emission times (low V_{red})

→ Charge splitting topology

Fragmentation "tomography"

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INDRA data



- **Projectile region**: fast emission (explosive) + homogeneous fragmentation
- **Target region**: long time-scales (evaporative)+ inhomogeneous fragmentation

No globally equilibrated mechanism (talk by P. Napolitani)

In-medium resonance decay spectroscopy

Final stage of HIC events

States of ⁸B \rightarrow p+⁷Be



Correlation function:

$$1 + R(E_{rel}) = \frac{Y_{coinc}(^{7}Be, p)}{Y_{evt\ mixing}(^{7}Be, p)}$$

In-medium resonance decay spectroscopy

N + Ag E/A=35 MeV MSU data



⁵ Li	$\rightarrow \alpha + p$	
⁸ Be	$\rightarrow \alpha + \alpha$	
¹² N	→ ¹¹ C + p	
¹⁰ B	\rightarrow ⁶ Li+ α , ⁸ Be+d, ⁹ Be+p	
¹² C	\rightarrow ⁸ Be+ α , α + α + α	
other I	many cases	

- Plenty of resonances → probes of structure properties
- Lifetimes of resonances important (dynamics)

In-medium ⁸Be unbound states

Ar+Ni, E/A=32-95 MeV – central INDRA @ GANIL data

 $1 + R_{\alpha\alpha}(q_{rel}) = \frac{Y_{coinc}(\alpha, \alpha)}{Y_{evt \ mixing}(\alpha, \alpha)}$





 $\alpha - \alpha$ correlations

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Thermal model approach

 $Y_{nucl}(E^*) =$

$$= \frac{N}{\pi} e^{-E^*/T} \sum_{i} (2J_i + 1) \left[\frac{\Gamma_i/2}{(E^* - E_i)^2 + \Gamma_i^2/4} \right]$$

Shape of correlation peaks depend on properties of the corresponding unbound states (spin, branching ratios, etc.)

W.P. Tan et al. Phys. Rev. C69, 061304 (2004)

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 $1 + R_{\alpha\alpha}(q_{rel}) = \frac{Y_{coinc}(\alpha, \alpha)}{Y_{evt \ mixing}(\alpha, \alpha)}$ 16 **g.s.** 14 12 8.00+1 H(q)+10 8 0.6 **3.04 MeV** 60 80 Q., (MeV/c) 40 100 120 6 4 E/A=52 MeV 2 0<u></u> 50 150 200 100 q_{rel} (MeV/c) $\alpha - \alpha$ correlations

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In-medium ⁸Be unbound states: thermal approach?

Ar+Ni, E/A=32-95 MeV – central INDRA @ GANIL data



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Thermal model does not reproduce data: **overpopulation of excited states**

No globally equilibrated system

Parent decay and resonance regeneration by FSI



<u>D. Dell'Aquila</u>, PhD thesis PRC, in preparation

Parent decay and resonance regeneration by FSI



Multiparticle correlation measurements



FAZIA-INDRA @ GANIL (≈ 2019-2021)



- Isospin and symmetry energy
- In-medium clustering and correlations

You're welcome to collaborate

conclusions

- HIC to explore structure and dynamics of hot and dilute nuclear matter
- Femtoscopic imaging and IMF-IMF correlations
 - space-time probes for transport model simulations: beyond single particle observables
 - p-p in Xe+Au at 50 MeV/nucleon Vs. pBUU sims (Danielewicz)
 - IMF-IMF in Ar+Ni at 32-95 MeV/nucleon Vs. BLOB sims (Napolitani)
- Cluster structure: resonance decays
 - useful tool for nuclear structure & interplays Structure/Dynamics/EoS (spin, branching ratios)
 - higher order probes for transport models... (?)
 - Ex: elpha-alpha correlations in Ar+Ni at 32-95 MeV/nucleon: FSI Vs. Parent decay dynamics
- Look forward to INDRA-FAZIA campaigns @ GANIL