Vector meson spectrum measured in 12 GeV p+A reaction at KEK-PS

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- Physics
- expected experimental signature
- performed experiment KEK-PS E325

E325 Results
- 1) $\rho/\omega \rightarrow e^+e^-$ spectra
- 2) $\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$ spectra
- 3) $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$ spectra
- new experiment at J-PARC
Vector meson measurements at KEK-PS

- To explore the chiral symmetry restoration in nuclear matter
  - vector meson ($\rho/\omega/\phi$) mass modification in nuclei
- performed experiment KEK-PS E325
  - detected vector meson modification

(Monte Carlo)

(Data)
Chiral symmetry restoration in dense matter

• In hot/dense matter, chiral symmetry is expected to restore
  – hadron modification is expected in such matter

• quark-antiquark condensate (order parameter) 
  \( \sim 2/3 \) even at the normal nuclear density, \( T=0 \)
  – Achievable at KEK-PS in use of nuclear medium of target nuclei themselves.

• Many theoretical predictions of vector meson (mass/width) modification in dense medium, related (or not related) with CS
  – Brown & Rho ('91) : \( m^*(\rho)/m_0 \sim f^*_\pi/f_\pi \sim 0.8 \) at \( \rho=\rho_0 \)
  – Hatsuda &Lee ('92), Klingl e, Keiser &Weise ('97), Muroya, Nakamura & Nonaka('03), etc.
Hatsuda and Lee, 92,96
linear dependence on density
\[ m^*/m_0 = 1 - k \rho/\rho_0 \]
mass decreasing
- \(-16(\pm 6)\%\) for \(\rho/\omega\)
- \(-0.15(\pm 0.05)*y\)
  \(=2\sim 4\%\) for \(\phi\)
  (for \(y=0.22\))
at the normal nuclear density

Muroya, Nakamura, Nonaka, 03

Klingel, Keiser, Weise, 97
## Vector meson measurements in the world

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already state 'modified' running/in analysis future plan
(Vector meson measurements)

- **CERES**: $e^+e^-$ (EPJC 41('05)475)
  - anomaly at lower region of $\rho$
  - in A+A, not in p+A
  - relative abundance is determined by their statistical model

- **STAR**: $\rho \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ (PRL92('04)092301)
  - 'shift' in p+p & A+A peripheral
  - relative abundance is free parameter/ shape is BWxPS

$\sim 770\text{MeV}$

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![Graphs and plots]

- Minimum Bias p+p
- $0.6 \leq p_T < 0.8 \text{ GeV/c}$
- Peripheral Au+Au
- $0.6 \leq p_T < 0.8 \text{ GeV/c}$

$\rho_0$, $\eta$, $\omega$
(Vector meson measurements)

- CBELSA/TAPS : (PRL94(05)192303)
  - $\omega \to \pi^0 \gamma (\to \gamma \gamma \gamma)$
  - anomaly in $\gamma + \text{Nb}$, not in $\gamma + \text{p}$
    - direct comparison within the data
    - momentum dependence is seen

- NA60 : (nucl-ex/0510044)
  - $\rho \to \mu^+ \mu^-$:
  - 'BR scaling is ruled out'

\begin{align*}
\text{counts / [12 MeV/c$^2$]} \\
p_{\omega} < 0.5 \text{ GeV/c} && \text{Nb} \\
\text{LH}_2
\end{align*}

\begin{align*}
M_{\pi\gamma} \text{ [MeV/c$^2$]} \\
600 & \quad 700 & \quad 800 & \quad 900
\end{align*}

\begin{align*}
\text{In-In SemiCentral} \\
\text{all } p_T \\
excess data \\
RW (norm.) \\
BR (norm.) \\
Vac\rho (norm.) \\
cockt,\rho (dashed) \\
D\bar{B} (dashed)
\end{align*}
Expected signal in p+A reaction in our energy region
Expected Invariant mass spectra in $e^+e^-$

- smaller FSI in $e^+e^-$ decay channel
- double peak (or tail-like) structure: Effect of meson life, velocity & size of nuclei:
  - second peak is made by inside-nucleus decay (modified meson): amount depend on the nuclear size and meson velocity
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longer-life meson($\omega$ & $\phi$) cases: Schematic picture
outside decay (natural) + inside decay (modified) =
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shorter-life meson($\rho$) cases: Schematic picture
outside decay (natural)
inside decay (modified)
expected to be observed

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**Expected $e^+e^-$ spectra**

- $\rho$ (770) & $\omega$ (783):
  - larger production cross section
  - larger decay prob. inside nuclei
  - $\rho: \Gamma = 150\text{MeV} \sim 1.3\text{fm}$
  - $\omega: \Gamma = 8.4\text{MeV} \sim 24\text{ fm}$
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- ![Diagrams showing decay processes in different nuclei](Image)

- ![Comparison of spectra for different materials](Image)
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- $\phi$ (1020): narrow width
  - smaller decay prob. inside nuclei
    - $\phi$: $\Gamma = 4.3$ MeV $\sim 46$ fm
  - smaller production cross section
- $L = \beta\gamma c\tau = p/m \ast h/2\pi\ast c/\Gamma$
Experiment KEK-PS E325

- 12GeV p+A → ρ/ω/φ +X ( ρ/ω/φ → e⁺e⁻ , φ → K⁺K⁻ )

- Experimental key issues:
  - Very thin target to suppress the conversion electron background (typ. 0.1% interaction/0.2% radiation length of C)
  - To compensate the thin target, high intensity proton beam to collect high statistics (typ. 10⁹ ppp → 10⁶Hz interaction)
  - Large acceptance spectrometer to detect slowly moving mesons, which have larger probability decaying inside nuclei (1<βγ<3)

Collaboration

(Cont'd)

- History of E325
  - 1993 proposed
  - 1996 const. start
  - '97 data taking start
  - '98 first ee data
    - PRL86(01)5019
  - 99,00,01,02....
    - x100 statistics
      - nucl-ex/0504016
      - nucl-ex/0511019
  - '02 completed
  - spectrometer paper
    - NIM A516(04)390
Experimental setup

• Spectrometer Magnet
  - 0.71T at the center
  - 0.81Tm in integral
• Targets
  - at the center of the Magnet
  - C & Cu are used typically
  - very thin: ~0.1% interaction length
• Primary proton beam
  - 12.9 GeV/c
  - ~1x10^9 in 2sec duration, 4sec cycle
Experimental setup - Detectors

Electron ID counters
  Gas Cherenkov & Lead Glass EMC
  total $3 \times 10^{-4}$ $\pi$ rejection with 78% efficiency in two-stage operation

Tracker
  Three Drift Chambers

Kaon ID counters
  Aerogel Cherenkov & TOF
• Typical $e^+e^-$ Event
  - blue: electron
  - red: other
  - invariant mass of electron pair is calculated
Result (1)

$ee$ invariant mass spectra

M. Naruki et al.,

nucl-ex/050416

(to be published in PRL)
Observed $e^+e^-$ invariant mass spectra

- from 2002 run data (~70% of total data)
- C & Cu target
- clear resonance peaks
- $m < 0.2$ GeV is suppressed by detector acceptance
- acceptance uncorrected

→ fit the spectra with known sources
Fitting with known sources

- Hadronic sources of $e^+e^-:
  - $\rho/\omega/\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$, $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0e^+e^-$, $\eta \rightarrow \gamma e^+e^-$
  - relativistic Breit-Wigner shape (without any modifications)
  - Geant4 detector simulation
    - multiple scattering and energy loss of $e^+/e^-$ in the detector and the target materials
    - chamber resolutions
    - detector acceptance, etc.
- Combinatorial background: event mixing method
- Relative abundance of these components are determined by the fitting
Fitting results

1) excess at the low-mass side of $\omega$

- To reproduce the data by the fitting, we have to exclude the excess region: 0.60~0.76 GeV

2) $\rho$–meson component seems to be vanished!
Fitting results (BKG subtracted)

\[
\rho / \omega < 0.15 \text{(for C)} \quad \text{< 0.31(For Cu)}
\]

- However, \( \rho / \omega = 1.0 \pm 0.2 \) in former experiment (p+p, 1974)
  ...suggests that the origin of excess is modified \( \rho \) mesons.
Toy model M.C. including modification

• Assumptions to include the nuclear size effect in the fitting shape
  - mesons fly through the nucleus, decay with modified mass if the decay point is inside nucleus
    • meson production point: incident surface of nucleus
      - measured $\alpha \sim 2/3$ for $\omega$
    • meson momentum:
      - measured distribution in our experiment
        • $\sim 0.8 \text{ GeV} < p < \sim 2.4 \text{ GeV}$ for $\omega$
    • nuclear density distribution: Woods-Saxon type
    • $\rho$ & $\omega$ meson modification form: $m^*/m_0 = 1 - k \rho/\rho_0$
      (k=0.16±0.06 in Hatsuda & Lee, '92,'96)
  - (width modification & momentum dependence of modification are not taken into account this time)
Fitting results by the toy model

Free param.: - scales of background and hadron components for each C & Cu
- modification parameter $k$ for $\rho/\omega$ is common for C & Cu

From the fit: $k=0.092 \pm 0.002$ : $\sim 9\%$ reduced at normal nuclear density

$\rho/\omega$ ratio: $0.7 \pm 0.1$ (C), $0.9 \pm 0.2$ (Cu): ... $\rho$ meson returns.
Result (2)

\( e e \) invariant mass spectra of \( \phi \)

(R. Muto et al., nucl-ex/0511019)
$\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$ invariant mass spectra

- from 2001/02 run data
- C & Cu target
- acceptance uncorrected
- mass resolution : 10.7 MeV
- fit with
  - simulated mass shape of $\phi$
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- examine the 'excess' is significant or not.
  - see the $\beta\gamma$ dependence : excess could be enhanced for slowly moving mesons
e\(^{+}\)e\(^{-}\) spectra of \(\phi\) meson (divided by \(\beta\gamma\))

- Only slow/Cu is not reproduced in 99% CL.
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- Model calculation reproduces the tendency of $N_{\text{excess}} / (N_{\text{excess}} + N_\phi)$.
Toy model again for $\phi$ meson

- Toy model like $\rho/\omega$ case, except for
  - uniformly made in nuclei
    - measured $\alpha$ of $\phi$ production $\sim 1$
  - $m^*/m_0 = 1 - k_1 \rho/\rho_0$
    ($k_1 = 0.04$, Hatsuda & Lee, '92, '96)
  - To reproduce such amount of excess, linear-dependent width broadening is adopted:
    $\Gamma_{\text{tot}}^{*}/\Gamma_{\text{tot}0} = 1 + k_2 \rho/\rho_0$
    ($k_2 = 10$, it means $\Gamma_{\text{tot}}^{*} \approx 47\text{MeV}$ at $\rho_0$)
    (predicted value by Klingl et al., '98)

- $e^+e^-$ branching ratio is not changed
  - $\Gamma_{e^+e^-}/\Gamma_{\text{tot}}^{*} = \Gamma_{e^+e^-}/\Gamma_{\text{tot}}^0$
  - $k_1$ & $k_2$ is not free param., but fixed.

$\beta\gamma < 1.25$ (Slow), w/ unmodified
Toy model result for $\phi$ meson

- modified (model) shapes well reproduce the data, even slow/Cu
- modified shapes are analyzed with unmodified shape to evaluate the 
  \[ \frac{N_{\text{excess}}}{N_{\text{excess}} + N_{\phi}} \]

\[ \beta \gamma < 1.25 \text{ (Slow), w/ modified} \]
Result (3)

(KK invariant mass spectra & nuclear dependence $\alpha$
by F. Sakuma)
K$^+K^-$ spectra of $\phi$ meson

- mass modification is NOT statistically significant (very low statistics in $\beta\gamma < 1.25$ where modification is observed in $\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$)
Proposed Experiment at J-PARC
Next generation experiment at J-PARC

• Same concept as E325
  • thin target / primary beam \((10^9 \sim 10^{10} \text{ ppp})/\) slowly moving mesons

• Main goal : collect \(1 \times (10^4 \sim 10^5) \phi \rightarrow ee\) for each target in 5 weeks
  • 10-100 times as large as E325
    – velocity dependence of 'modified' component
    – new nuclear targets : proton \((\text{CH}_2 - \text{C subtract}), \text{Pb}\)

• narrow width -> sensitive to modification
• free from \(\omega-\rho\) interference

• \(\omega, \rho\) and \(J/\psi\) can be collected at the same time
  – higher statistics of \(\omega, \rho\) than E325 with differ A targets
  – 100-1000 \(J/\psi\) are expected in 50GeV operation

• Normal nuclear density \((p+A)\)
  – but also high matter density \((A+A, \sim 20\text{GeV/u})\)
Proposed spectrometer

- Tracking Device
  - Drift Chamber
  - GEM (Gas electron multiplier)
    - strip readout
- Two-stage Electron ID
  - Gas Cherenkov
    - PMT+2 mirrors
    - GEM+CsI photocathode
      - pad readout
  - Leadglass EMC
- ~30K Readout Channels (in 20 units)
  - E325: 3.6K, PHENIX: ~300K
- Cost: ~$5M (including $2M electronics)
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**Graphical Data**

- Error bars can be shrunked (data points are moved around the model curve)
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$N_{ex}/(N_{ex}+N_{el})$

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$\beta \gamma$ bin can be divided
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$N_{ex}/(N_{ex}+N_{ν})$

![Graph](image1)

$x\ 100\ \text{stat.}$

$N_{ex}/(N_{ex}+N_{ν})$

![Graph](image2)

error bars are shrunked again

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**high statistics**

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We can compare the data with theoretical predictions more precisely, and we could approach the puzzle that the modification is due to the chiral symmetry restoration or not.

![Graph showing data comparison](image)
We detected the mass modification in the invariant mass spectra...

• We may exclude some predictions like upward mass-shift

• Now we ignore:
  - finite-size nuclei <-> infinite nuclear matter
  - Possible time evolution of the density of nuclei in the reaction
    • our model is just toy model...
    • transport calculation?
  - momentum dependence of 'mass shift' & 'width broadening'

• We expect the precise prediction to be compared with coming high statistics result.

• How can we connect the results with chiral symmetry restoration?
Summary

- KEK-PS E325 measured the $e^+e^- (\& K^+ K^-)$ decay of slowly moving vector mesons in nuclei produced by 12-GeV proton beam, to explore the chiral symmetry restoration at the normal nuclear density.

- Observed $e^+e^-$ invariant mass spectra have excesses below the $\omega$ meson peak, which cannot be explained by known hadronic sources in normal (unmodified) shape. These suggest modification of (at least) $\rho$ meson.
  - Simple model calculation including predicted modification of $\rho$ & $\omega$ reproduces the observed spectra.
  - analysis of the verocity dependence of the excesses are on going.

- $\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$ also have excess, for the larger target, slowly moving $\phi$
  - model calc. including mass shift and width broadning in nuclei also reproduces the data.

- Analysis of nuclear dependence of $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$ & $\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$ is also on going to investigate $\Gamma_{K^+K^-} / \Gamma_{e^+e^-}$ changing in nuclei.