Strange meson-baryon interaction in hot and dense medium: recent progress for a road to GSI/FAIR

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• \overline{K} and K in hot and dense medium: towards a transport description

- ϕ and Ξ production in hadronic phase
- Summary

$\overline{K}N$, KN in medium: theoretical status

Unitarized coupled-channel approach: highlights

- $\Lambda(1405)$ is a dynam. generated *MB* state
- Double-pole structure!
- Moderately attractive K potential

 $U_{\overline{K}}(\rho_0) \simeq [-80, -50] \,\mathrm{MeV}$

Koch; Kaiser, Waas , Weise; Lutz, Kolomeitsev, Korpa, Moller; Schaffner-Bielich; Ramos, Oset, Tolos; Oller, Meissner; Hosaka, Jido; Nieves, Ruiz-Arriola; Cassing, Bratkovskaya, Tolos, Ramos; Geng, Oset; Roca, Oset;...

vs phenom. potentials: $U_{\overline{K}}(\rho_0) \simeq [-200, -100] \text{ MeV }_{R}$



$\overline{K}N$, KN in medium: theoretical status

Lessons from exp + transport theory

- K^+ and K^- yields coupled by strangeness exchange $NN \leftrightarrow N\Delta \leftrightarrow K^+\Lambda N$, $\pi Y \leftrightarrow K^-N$
- Later emission of K^- vs K^+ (diff. freeze-out)
- *K*⁺ probes the EoS at high densities (soft)



(see also: Zinyuk et al. arXiv:1403.1504)

Hadronic theory + transport

- BUU/HSD with selfconsistent coupled-cannel
 approach Cassing, Tolos, Bratkovskaya, Ramos, NPA727 (2003) 59
- Room for improvement in hadronic models: \overline{K}/K spectral functions AND cross sections

Work in progress Frankfurt-Barcelona-Nantes



Förster et al (KaoS), PRC75, 024906 (2007)

Selfconsistent and unitary coupled-channel approach

Lutz, PLB426 (1998) 12; Ramos, Oset, NPA671 (2000) 481; Tolos et al. NPA690 (2001) 547, PRC74 (2006) 015203; Lutz, Korpa, Moller, NPA808 (2008) 124; Tolos, DC, Ramos, PRC78 (2008) 045205



Scattering observables in vacuum



...differential cross sections also OK!

Towards a transport description of strangeness

- Binary reactions: cross sections / transition rates
 - $K^-p \leftrightarrow K^-p$, K^0n , $\pi^0\Lambda$, $\pi^{\pm}\Sigma^{\mp}$, $\pi^0\Sigma^0 + \eta$ and Ξ channels

DC, Tolos, Aichelin, Bratkovskaya, PRC90 (2014) 055207; Cassing, Tolos, Bratkovskaya, Ramos, NPA727 (2003) 59







Towards a transport description of strangeness

• **<u>Propagation</u>**: \overline{K} , K and Y optical potentials

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Towards a transport description of strangeness

• <u>Production</u>: \overline{K} , K (off-shell) Spectral functions $NN \rightarrow NNK\overline{K}, \ \pi N \rightarrow NK\overline{K},...$

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Motivation: recent HADES measurements

- (Pseudo-)rapidity spectra indicate some production mechanisms could be missing
- PHSD simulations show high sensitivity to production cross sections in hadronic phase
- Relevant for studies at NICA/Dubna, GSI/FAIR and also low beam-energy scan at RHIC



Idea: η -induced production reactions to exploit "hidden" strangeness of η meson

See also M. Bleicher's talk and P. Moreau's talk (S2)



- $\eta \pi \rightarrow \phi \pi$ requires intermediate $K\overline{K}$ state to "free" strangeness
- Amplitudes for $\eta \pi^0 \rightarrow \phi \pi^0$ vanish due to *C***-parity**!
- Charged pions do not help: $\eta \pi^{\pm} \rightarrow \phi \pi^{\pm}$ violates *G***-parity**!

 N, Δ

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- Meson-baryon not suppressed by symmetries
- Plenty of N and Δ in hadron medium
- <u>Challenge</u>: mix pseudoscalar and vector meson octets

Results: some cross sections in SU(6) spin-flavor model

Gamermann, Garcia-Recio, Nieves, Salcedo, PRD84, 056017 (2011); see also Oset, Ramos, EPJA44 (2010) 445



• $\eta N \rightarrow \phi N$ turns to be small: next-to-leading in chiral expansion

• Strangeness-exchange important! Also for Ξ , Ω production (in progress)

Summary

• **Strange mesons** stand as unique probes for testing strong interactions at GSI/FAIR conditions, as long as we understand their dynamics in the *hot and dense nuclear medium*.

• A lot of theoretical work is required, within *realistic* approaches to interactions in the hadronic gas, in connection with experimental information.

• Chiral self-consistent approach: transition probabilities, spectral functions, quasi-particle properties... inputs for transport models: $\overline{K}N$ and KN, $\overline{K}^*, K^*, \phi$ properties, multi-strange hadron production.

• **Transport simulations** with the input of realistic, inmedium interactions are the key to understand the production and propagation of strangeness in HICs.

BACK-UP SLIDES



$$S = -1: \quad \overline{K} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{K}^{0} \\ -\overline{K}^{-} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{c} (ds) \\ (\overline{u}s) \end{array} \quad S = +1: \quad K = \begin{bmatrix} K^{+} \\ K^{0} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{c} (us) \\ (ds) \end{array} \quad S = 0: \quad \phi = (ss) \\ \hline K^{-} / K: \quad I(J^{P}) = 1/2(0^{-}) \\ \hline \overline{K}^{*} / K^{*}(892): \quad I(J^{P}) = 1/2(1^{-}) \end{array} \quad \phi(1020): \quad I(J^{P}) = 0(1^{-}) \end{array}$$



C. Fuchs, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 56 (2006) 1

Medium effects on strange vector mesons

- \overline{K}^*/K^* do not couple to E.M. current (dileptons)
- Recent theoretical developments
- Experiments: hadronic resonances in HICs!





Interactions with the medium (1): collisional selfenergy

\overline{K}^*

t-channel vector-exchange potentials based on Hidden Local Symmetry

Bando, Kugo Ukehara, Yamawaki, Yanagida PRL 54 (1985) 1215; Bando, Kugo, Yamawaki, PR164 (1988) 217

• \overline{K}^* : strong modifications from mixing with YN^{-1} excitations

Tolos, Molina, Oset, Ramos, PRC82 (2010)

• K^* : mild repulsive effect $\Delta M \sim 5\%$

Ilner, DC, Srisawad, Bratkovskaya, NPA927 (2014) 249; Khemchandani, Martinez et al., arXiv:1406.7203

See also: Tsushima et al. PRC62 (2000)064904



Interactions with the medium (2): in-medium decay



Pioneering work in hadronic many-body methods Chanfray, Schuck,NPA 555 (1993) 329 Herrmann, Friman, Nörenberg, NPA 560 (1993) 411 Urban, Buballa, Rapp, Wambach, Nucl.Phys. A641 (1998) 433



Riek, Rapp, Lee, Oh, PLB 677 (2009) 116

Some results at finite nucl. density AND temperature



• In-medium open channels: $\phi N \rightarrow K\Lambda(1405), \phi N \rightarrow K\Lambda, K\Sigma, K\Sigma^*(1385)$

• Broadening + sizable population of *low-energy region* at GSI/FAIR conditions

Ko et al. PRC45 (1992) 1400; Klingl, Kaiser, Weise, NPA 624 (1997) 527; Oset, Ramos, Nucl.Phys. A679 (2001) 616; DC, Vicente-Vacas, PRC67 (2003) 045203; DC, in preparation.

Some results at finite nucl. density AND temperature



• Yield suppression also reported in Pb + Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV (ALICE) Agakishiev et al., Eur. Phys. J. A49 (2013) 34; Bass et al, PPNP41 (1998) 255; Bleicher et al, JPG 25 (1999) 1859; ALICE, arXiv:1404.0495

Some results at finite nucl. density AND temperature



More on SU(3) unitarized ChPT model



Dynamics: meson-baryon Chiral PerturbationTheory



Coupled-channels [full SU(3) basis, isospin I = 0,1]

• S = -1: $\begin{bmatrix} K^- p, \overline{K}^0 n, \pi^0 \Lambda, \pi^0 \Sigma^0, \eta \Lambda, \eta \Sigma^0, \pi^+ \Sigma^-, \pi^- \Sigma^+, K^+ \Xi^-, K^0 \Xi^0 \\ K^- n, \pi^0 \Sigma^-, \pi^- \Sigma^0, \pi^- \Lambda, \eta \Sigma^-, K^0 \Xi^- \end{bmatrix}$ (1405)

TI [1/MeV]

Im[z] [MeV

1440 1420 1400

• S = +1: K^+p ; K^+n , K^0p

Scattering observables in vacuum

1-parameter model

Differential cross sections

KE channels (test of NLO)

