Systematic study of the vector meson spectral modification in the nuclear medium at J-PARC

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Introduction

- Chiral symmetry is considered as the origin of hadron mass. chiral condensates: $<\overline{q}q>\neq 0$
- Chiral symmetry is predicted to be partially restored in hot and/or dense matter.
- The mass spectra of vector mesons in hot and/or dense environment have been investigated.
- Many experiments report the results of the spectral modification, but the origin is not figured out yet.



Experimental efforts

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	Reaction	\sqrt{s} NN [GeV/c ²]	Vector meson	
SPS-CERES	Pb+Au	17.3	ρ	
SPS-NA60	In+In	17.3	ρ	Heavy ion
RHIC-PHENIX	Au+Au	200	Mee<1 GeV/c ²	Treavy Ion
RHIC-STAR	Au+Au	200	Mee<1 GeV/c ²	
CBELSA-TAPS	γ+A	γ 0.64–2.53	ω	nhotoproduction
Jlab-CLAS	γ+A	γ 0.7–2.5	ρ	
KEK-E325	p+A	5.1	ρ,ω,φ	
GSI-HADES	p+A	3.2	Mee<0.7 GeV/c ²	

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KEKPS-E325 results

• 12 GeV p+A $\rightarrow \phi$ + X, $\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$, C and Cu targets.



Model fit: parameters

- Generation point is uniform.
 -Woods-Saxon density distribution
 -Momentum is calculated by JAM.
- Decay in-flight -Based on Breit-Wigner shape. -Change of pole mass $m(\rho) = (1 - k_1 \frac{\rho}{\rho_0})m(0)$ -Width broadening $\Gamma(\rho) = (1 + k_2 \frac{\rho}{\rho_0})\Gamma(0)$

1e⁻

m(ρ)

KEKPS-E325 results: Model fit



- Significant excess in only $\beta \gamma_{\varphi}$ <1.25 with Cu target data.
- Model Fit (six spectra simultaneously) Δm (k1) ~ 0.034, ΔΓ (k2) ~2.6
- Model Fit only slow ϕ with Cu: $\Delta m (k1) \sim 0.031$, $\Delta \Gamma (k2) \sim 6.1$

X These two parameter sets are used in the following simulation.



Motivation:

What is important for further study?

- Mass spectrum itself. (Not only "shift" and/or "broadening")
- Dependence on target nucleus size and momentum of ϕ mesons.



- ϕ meson is a good probe!
 - Narrow natural width
 - No other resonance nearby
 - ϕ ->ee is free from final state interaction

But ...

- Branching ratio of ϕ ->ee is small. (~10⁻⁴)
- Life time of ϕ is relatively long.

High statistics is necessary.

New experiment, J-PARC E16 is proposed !

- New spectrometer at new beam line.
- High intensity 30 GeV proton beam 10¹⁰/spill.
- High statistics
- High mass resolution

In this presentation, the expected sensitivity of the J-PARC E16 experiment is reported.

J-PARC (Proton Accelerator Research Complex)



Beam Line at J-PARC Hadron Hall

Spectrometer

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Trigger (third layer)

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8/26 modules will be installed for the first physics run.

In this presentation, the expected sensitivity for the first run is reported.

GEM Tracker

- Tracking with three layers of position sensitive chambers in a magnetic field.
- Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM) is used. The sizes are <u>10 cm x 10 cm</u>, <u>20 cm x 20 cm and 30 cm x 30 cm</u>.
- Triple GEM + 2D readout strips / chamber.
- We fabricated GEM <u>domestically</u>.
- Electronics: APV25-s1 chips.
- CFRP made frame

GEM Tracker

- Tracking position magnet
- Gas Electric used. Tl
 <u>20 cm x</u>
- Triple G chambe
- We fab
- Electro
- CFRP made frame

GEM Tracker: position resolution

- Analysis method for angled tracks
 - Timing information
- Sufficient performance event in a magnetic field.
- <u>Required position resolution of 100 um is achieved up to</u> <u>the incidence angle of 30 °.</u>

Hadron Blind Detector

- Mirrorless and Windowless Čerenkov Detector. Based on PHENIX HBD[3].
- Photocathode is developed successfully.
- ~11 p.e. is obtained for electron beam.
- Cluster size (# of hit pads) cut improves π rejection.
- π rejection power of 120 at *e* efficiency of 83% is achieved at beam test.

K. Kanno et al, Nucl. Instrum. Meth A 819, (2016)20.

Lead-glass calorimeter (LG)

- LG is placed behind HBD.
- eID with HBD. Separate e and π by signal amplitudes.
- Response to *e* and π is measured at J-PARC K1.1BR beam line.

Note: In offline analysis, threshold is changed according to π momentum. <u> π rejection factor of ~10 at 90% *e* efficiency (online).</u>

Summary of detector performance

- **GEM Tracker**: Position resolution of 100 μm is achieved for the incidence angle up to 30°.
- HBD & LG:

online trigger

eID eff 61% / π survival rate 0.2% (rejection 99.8%)

offline analysis eID eff 57% / π survival rate 0.03%

(rejection 99.97%)

Detector development is completed!

Next, we simulated the expected mass spectrum based on the achieved detector performance.

Monte-Carlo simulation

- Mass spectra of φ and background are simulated using Geant4.
- Detector material and detector performances are implemented.
- Background hits (5 kHz/mm² at 1x10¹⁰ proton/spill)
 - Beam halo, tracks from the target, room background, etc.
- Tracking
 - Signal response of GEM tracker is simulated and
 - it reproduces the position resolution of the GEM tracker.
 - COG + Timing method
 - Algorithm for clustering and track finding.
 - Combinatorial background

 -Uncorrelated pairs of <u>e⁺⁻ from π⁰ Dalitz decay and γ conversions</u>, and mis-identified π⁺⁻.
 - Momentum distributions of π^{+-0} are taken from JAM.

Simulation of mass spectrum Modification assumed for ϕ meson

- Same model used for fitting E325 results.
- Change of pole mass
- $m(\rho) = (1 k_1 \frac{\rho}{\rho_0})m(0)$ Width broadening

 $\Gamma(\rho) = (1 + k_2 \frac{\rho}{\rho_0}) \Gamma(0)$

In the simulation, ave. k1 = 0.034, k2= 2.6 slow k1 = 0.031, k2= 6.1 are used.

Simulated spectrum

- Expected spectrum for the first run of J-PARC E16 exp.
- Limited number of detector modules. (8/26)
- Beam intensity is 0.33x10¹⁰ proton/spill. (1/3 of planned intensity.)
- Target: Cu 80 μm x2
- 66days of data taking is assumed. (same as E325.)
- Trigger eff., eID eff., Tracking eff., Beam available eff., and DAQ live time are included.

Simulated spectrum: Fit with vacuum φ shape

- All $\beta \gamma$. Statistics of ϕ is $\sim x4$ of E325.
- Left: Fit in 0.85-1.2 GeV/c², Right: exclude 0.906- 1.004 GeV/c² from fit.
- Rejection power of χ^2 /ndf is significantly different.
- Unlike E325, we have sensitivity without selecting $\beta\gamma$.

$N_{ex}/(N_{\phi} + N_{ex})$

- Relative abundance in slow region with Cu target is large.
- $N_{ex}/(N_{\phi} + N_{ex})$ is apart from zero significantly in only slow ϕ with Cu.
- Error bars are statistical.

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Summary

- Many experiments report spectral modification in dilepton spectra, but more systematic study is necessary.
- J-PARC E16 experiment is in preparation to measure φ meson mass in medium with high statistics and high mass resolution for the systematic studies.
 - System size dependence / dispersion relation
- Detector R&D is completed and the production is in progress.
- Sensitivity is evaluated by MC simulation for the expected E16 first run with limited detectors and beam intensity.
 <u>Even in these limited conditions, higher sensitivity to the</u> <u>spectral modification than KEK-PS E325.</u>
- Outlook:

Sensitivity on various predictions of spectral modification.

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Sensitivity for modification

- Number of φ w/o modification (=N_φ) and excess (=N_{ex}) are counted.
- Integral of the difference between the simulation data and fit result is N_{ex.}

KEKPS-E325 results: Model fit

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- Model Fit only Cu in $\beta \gamma_{\phi} < 1.25$: Δm (k1) ~ 0.031 , ΔΓ (k2) ~ 6.1 ($\chi 2$ /ndf 66/48 (simul.) \rightarrow 63.4/48)

R. Muto Doctor thesis.

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- E16, Cu(slow): k1 = 0.031 and k2=6.1.
- Error bars are statistical.
- In E16, Cu(slow), error bar is reduced compared to (ave.) and also better than E325 Cu.
 S/N is improved by a cut on charge and hit modules.

Simulated mass spectrum

- Modification parameter : measured by KEK-PS E325 for slow φ
- Beam intensity is 0.33x10¹⁰ proton/spill
- Yield (66days, same as E325.)
 φ: ~4000
 (cf). Nex+Nφ = 597
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 BG sum: ~14000
 - Trigger eff., eID eff., Tracking eff., Beam available eff., and DAQ live time are included.

Sensitivity for modification

- Mass spectrum is fitted with exponential + vacuum φ.
- χ^2 /ndf are investigated for different fit regions.
- Mass spectrum cannot be fitted including the excess at the confidence level of 99.9%.
- The difference of rejection power shows a significance of the existence of mass modification.

