



## Topic 2 Cosmic Matter in the Laboratory Highlights

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Our objective:

Creating extreme conditions existing in the Universe with heavy-ion/hadron accelerators



To find answers to fundamental questions about the Universe: The Universe in the lab ...



Synthesis of chemical elements in the cosmos

Building blocks of life: production of carbon and oxygen in stars



Neutron star mergers: equation of state, strong force, neutron rich nuclei Matter in the interior of Earth and of large planets

# **Cosmic Matter in the Laboratory within MU**

#### Mission and objectives

Key contribution to the Helmholtz-Mission:

Emergence of complex phenomena in strong interaction Role of the strong interaction in the evolution of our universe



#### Mission

- Unravel the properties of hadrons; access and understand the QCD spectrum
- Explore strongly interacting systems under extreme conditions of temperature, density, isospin

#### Strategy

Uniqueness

- Study cosmic matter in the laboratory
- Use primary and secondary ion beams from (anti-)proton to Uranium
- Apply forefront technologies

# Strong link to

- Relativistic ion beams of highest intensities
- Storage rings for cooled (secondary) beams
- Novel experimental instrumentation





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## First observation of <sup>28</sup>O

#### Extremely neutron rich, doubly magic

Nature, 620, pages 965–970 (August 30, 2023)



- <sup>28</sup>O of special interest: Z=8, N=20, double magic
- Observed through their decay in <sup>24</sup>O plus 4 neutrons
- Four-body decay shows resonant structure
- Not a closed shell nucleus

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#### Kernphysik

#### Doch nicht so magisch

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## First Search for Axion-Like Particles in a Storage Ring Using a Polarized Deuteron Beam

#### Limits for an ALPs signal



see Jörg Pretz "Axion Searches at COSY"

Based on the notion that the local dark-matter field of axions or axion-like particles (ALPs) in our Galaxy induces oscillating couplings to the spins of nucleons and nuclei (via the electric dipole moment of the latter and/or the paramagnetic axion-wind effect), we have established the feasibility of a new method to search for ALPs in storage rings.

Published in Physical Review X

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# Measurements of the Electric and Magnetic Form Factors of the Neutron for Timelike Momentum Transfer

First measurement for positive momentum transfer (annihilation region)



- First measurement of Neutron form factors for positive Q<sup>2</sup> (annihilation reactions)
- Accuracy comparable to data from negative Q<sup>2</sup> (electron scattering data)



[BESIII Collaboration], PRL 130, 151905 (2023) **Nature Phys.** 17 (2021) 11, 1200-1204 THE UNIVERSE

#### **Massive virtual photon emission from N\* resonances**



- Dominance of the N<sup>\*</sup>(1520) resonance at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.49 \text{ GeV}$ 
  - $\pi^- p \rightarrow n + \pi^- + \pi^+$

Included in PWA (Bonn-Gatchina) to provide partial wave decomposition

- $\pi^- p \rightarrow n + e^- + e^+$ Probe baryon resonance – nucleon transition
- Important input to calculations of the emissivity

Rapp, van Hees; arXiv:1411.4612



### Elliptic flow of inclusive $e^+e^-$ Ag+Ag $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \ GeV$







See Behruz Kardan "Decoding the EOS of neutron star-like matter via flow..."

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### **Studies of promising nuclear reactions** to synthesize new superheavy elements

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Elucidating the influence of closed shells on dynamics of reactions leading to superheavy nuclei



Study of non-fusion reactions at ANU: three-body reaction outcomes need to be considered! New work accompanies:

- Element 120 search at TASCA: J. Khuyagbaatar et al., PRC 102 (2020) 064602
- Non-fusion studies at **TASCA**: A. Di Nitto et al., PLB 784 (2018) 199

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## **Theory: Spherical kilonova AT2017gfo** (em counterpart of neutron star merger GW170817)



- Detailed analysis of kilonova spectra
  - fitting of spectral lines and blackbody
  - $\rightarrow$  expansion velocities in different directions of explosion
  - $\rightarrow$  point to high degree of sphericity of merger outflow
- Either coincidence or additional energy injection (no obvious robust mechanism)
  - $\rightarrow$  constrains merger models
- Yields independent distance measure (via Stefan-Boltzmann fit)
   → best measured distance of GW170817 so far (45.5±0.6) Mpc
- Potential for measuring Hubble constant (recall current tension between cosmic microwave background and Type Ia supernovae measurements)

See Vimal Vijayan "Impact of pions on BNS mergers"

See Oliver Just "Using simulations ..."



Sneppen, Watson, Bauswein, Just, et al., Nature 614, 436 (2023)

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#### **PADI-XII** goes to space with JUICE



#### PADI-XII (ASIC): Ultrafast PreAmplifier–Discriminator Application Specific Integrated Circuit



designed at EEL, DTL and ISS (Institute for Space Science, Magurele / Romania) for the CBM-TOF experiment

Launched 14. Apr. 2023 Front-end electronics Particle Environment Package PEP/JDC instrument



Particle spectrometer to study Jupiter's moons Ganymede, Callisto, Europa and Io, and Jupiter's magnetosphere

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### ALICE at LHC in Run 3

- Intensive pp data taking at  $\sqrt{s}$  = 13.6 TeV:
  - interaction rate 3kHz to 1 MHz
  - 15 pb<sup>-1</sup> integrated luminosity
  - Pb-Pb test run







#### Ongoing:

- TPC calibration
- Parameterization of the specific energy loss
- QA from physics signals:
  D<sup>0</sup> (left fig.) and J/ψ (right fig.)

## **MU** accelerator facilities

#### Spill smoothing cavity for SIS18

Slow extraction of a synchrotron beam is a complex process

- prevention of beam losses
- large span of extraction times (0.2-20 s)
- large difference between vertical and horizontal emittance
- momentum dependence of extraction parameters
- microspill structure problem for high rate experiments





#### Spill smoothing by rf bunching

- Tune ripple by synchrotron motion and chromaticity
- VHF spill cavity under development
- Demonstration of spill smoothing at AGS, BNL in different operation modes.
- Installation of the test cavity in shut down 2023 completed.
- High shunt impedance limits the use of the test cavity and probably also the beam intensity

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#### Speeding up SHE chemistry to isotopes with $T_{1/2} < 100 \text{ ms}$

#### UniCell: A new universal buffer gas stopping cell

- Allows coupling of fast chemistry setups to TASCA to allow chemical studies of elements Z>115
  - Efficiency ~100%

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Extraction time < 10 ms (simulated)</li>







SHE Chemistry

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#### **GSI MU Computing facilities**



#### Green-IT cube hosts a Digital Open Laboratory

Providing advanced computing capabilities to support the MU, MML and MT research programs Compute

- CPU: ~660 server, ~54.000 cores
- GPU: 400 AMD Radeon Mi100 GPUs

#### Storage

~ 60 PByte high-performance online storage

Leading "Green" Data Center Technology 5.5 M€ EU grant in 2022 to expand the Green-IT cube

installations by two more floors

- Goal: further strengthen research and collaboration with industry within the FAIR Digital Open Lab ("Reallabor")
- Open innovation approach to collaborate with industry and other companies



- High impact results from FAIR Phase 0
- FAIR Phase 0 instrumental on the way to FAIR
- Technical preparations for the next big step ongoing
- CML goes FAIR

Thank you for your attention!



#### Backup

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## **Detector Developments for Laser Spectroscopy**



#### Extending the reach towards heavy elements



RADRIS method for (super)heavy element laser spectroscopy :

- two-step laser ionization of atoms
- lowest production rates require high efficiency and low background
- detect laser ions by characteristic (alpha) decay
- use of movable detectors increased efficiency and enabled laser spectroscopy of long-lived rare isotopes such as <sup>254</sup>Fm (t<sub>1/2</sub>=3.2 h)

## **Cosmic Matter in the Laboratory** FAIR accelerator complex



#### 2027 Early Science program (SIS18 beam into the S-FRS)

- 2028 First Science/ First Science+ program eifels (SIS100 beam will be available in the S-FRS
  - higher energies/intensities
- In-house experimental VNORNEL he available even rprogram focus on the available exp
  - facilities at the **7** Mainz and the JGU Mainz (TRIGA, MESA...
  - participation in ALICE at LHC
  - in addition to complementary activities at other laboratories, e.g. RIKEN, TRIUMF, participation in JUNO (solar neutrino studies)



## Super-FRS EC Application of Al-methods in Data Analysis of WASA-FRS Experiments





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## FAIR Forschung NRW (IKP Jülich) A new method to induce hyperpolarization



#### Sona Coils





Patent: (Deutsche Patentanmeldung 102022213860.0)

"A method and an apparatus to produce polarized atoms, molecules and their ions"

#### **Possible Applications**

1.) New types of polarized ions sources for accelerators

A polarized <sup>3</sup>He<sup>+</sup> source will be tested at COSY in Sep. 2023

2.) Polarized fuel for fusion reactors

First test to polarize an intense deuterium beam in Oct. 2023

3.) Polarized molecular  $D_2$  beams

Collab. with Uni. Swansea / Accumulation and storage as pol. ice

4.) Under discussion: Medical tracer, new type of MRI, ....

#### Fragmentseparator







#### **Target Area:**

 Preparation for complete remote handling
 New vacuum pumps and sensors, modularity of drives, general maintenance

beam direction

#### Quadrupole magnets:

ACCU - upgrade of all power supplies (in order to stay compatible with FAIR control system)



- S1 focal plane: - Improved separation
  - and identification of secondary beams
  - (new, turnable disc degrader and new TOF system) - New vacuum pump







#### S4 focal plane

- Preparation of detectors
- for test run in Nov. 2023
- Preparation of experiments setups for 2024

FRS environment and Messhütte: Many activities ongoing to maintain/improve safety, reliability of all technical areas and subsystems DAQ: Upgrade to higher rate

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capability ongoing



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**Steppermotors and insertions:** 

64-channel COSYLAB system

available; installation in 2024

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# **MU** accelerator facilities







Alvarez 2.0 DTL



- Replacement of old drift tube linac DTL
  - intensity requirements of FAIR
  - reducing operation risk
- Recent highlight
  - all tanks for 1st section are ready for delivery



# Σ(1385) reconstruction p+p 4.5 GeV

Study Dalitz decays of  $\Lambda(1520)/\Sigma(1385) \rightarrow \Lambda e^+e^-$  allow for first measurement of hyperon form factors in time-like region

 $\Lambda$  selection enhanced by Machine Learning



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