Prospects for the study of baryon-rich matter at new facilities

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Metaphysics



I. What can we know?



Current research centres in high-density heavy-ion physics



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- We try to probe QCD matter with heavy-ion collisions.
- The main control parameter is the collision energy.
- Systematic investigations ("scans"): NA49 (1999-2002), STAR (2010-today), NA61
- An impressive plenitude of data was obtained, but basic questions remain to be solved:
 - Is there a critical point?
 - Is there a chiral / deconfinement phase transition?
 - What is the nuclear equation of state?

Current research centres in high-density heavy-ion physics



- These questions will be addressed by running experiments but also by new, dedicated facilities and experiments.
- Punch line is, coverage of the entire energy range and statistics:
 - precision measurements;
 - systematic measurements;
 - extending the menu of currently addressable observables.

Ethics



II. What shall we do?

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Future research centres in high-density heavy-ion physics



NICA

Nuclotron-based Ion Collider Facility, Dubna, Russia

NICA - acceleration scheme



New: LINAC, booster, collider (U = 500 m)

 Slow extraction to fixedtarget:

 $E_{beam, kin} = 1 - 4.5 \text{ GeV/u}$ (Au)

Intensity 10⁹ ions/spill

- Collider:
 - up to 5.5 + 5.5 GeV (Au + Au)
 - luminosity 10²⁷ cm⁻² s⁻¹ at top energy

V. Kekelidze, QM 2018

NICA



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BM@N



Baryonic Matter @ Nuclotron



courtesy M. Kapishin

- Fixed-target, forward hadron spectrometer
- Large-aperture magnet filled with radiation-hard tracking devices (GEM / Si)
- Hadron ID by time-of-flight (RPC)
- Forward calorimeter
- Already in operation with light beams (up to Kr²⁶⁺)
- Au + Au in 2020 with 10 kHz interaction rate
- > 2021: upgrade with Si trackers (CBM); increase interaction rate to 50 kHz

The MPD experiment



Multi Purpose Detector



- Stage 1 (2020):
 - barrel-type collider experiment ($|\eta| < 1.2$ for TPC+TOF)
 - hadron + electron identification, calorimetry
 - forward calorimeter for centrality and event plane
- Stage 2 (2023):
 - endcap (increase acceptance)
 - Inner tracking system (charm)

NICA: status



• Civil construction well progressed and in schedule

courtesy M. Kapishin

- MPD hall ready for installation in 2019
- MPD detectors in production
- Start of data taking 2021



For more details, see talk by M. Kapishin, today, 11:00

FAIR

Facility for Anti-Proton and Ion Research, Darmstadt, Germany

GSI



- GSI Helmholtzzentrum f
 ür Schwerionenforschung mbH
- Founded 1969
- About 1,400 employees (750 scientific staff)
- About 1,200 external scientists

Main Facilities:

- Linear Accelerator
- Heavy-lon
 Synchrotron
- Fragment Separator
- Experimental Storage Ring
- Heavy-ion Physics
- Super-heavy elements
- Particle cancer therapy

Location



FAIR schematically



FAIR: Research Programmes



FAIR: Civil Construction



FAIR: some facts

- largest current project in fundamental science in Germany
- forefront research in nuclear, hadron, atomic, anti-matter, plasma and applied physics.
- about 2,500 users
- full completion by 2025
- total costs: 1.7 Mrd. €
- financing:
 - FR Germany 60%
 - State of Hessen 10%
 - International Partners 30%



The CBM experiment at FAIR



- Fixed-target spectrometer
- Hadron, electron and muon ID
- Large (central to forward) acceptance
- Tracking in dipole field
- Electron ID after tracking
- Extreme rate capability: up to 10⁷ / s
- Trigger-less readout
- Event building and selection on CPU in real-time

Now under construction; Full-system test (mCBM) February 2019

2024 commissioning with SIS-100 beam

FAIR Timeline

- July 2017: Start of excavation and trench sheeting
- January 2018: Civil construction north area awarded (SIS tunnel, CBM building)
- July 2018: Start of shell construction
- 2022: Buildings completed
- 2025: Completion of full facility and start of operations



Work in Progress



Heavy-Ion Accelerator Facility, Huizhou, China

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- One of the large-scale
 research facilities in China to
 boost basic science in the 12th
 5-years-plan
 (2011-2015)
- Approved 2015
- Budget: 2.6 B CNY (320 M €)
- Start of construction 2018
- Start of operation 2024

courtesy N. Xu



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The CEE experiment at HIAF

CSR External-Target Experiment





courtesy N. Xu

Hadron spectrometer (proton and pion ID)

- QCD critical point (proton fluctuations)
- Directed flow
- Symmetry energy (proton flow, π^{-}/π^{+}

Interaction rates: > 100 kHz Large acceptance Triggerless DAQ

HIAF in 2024



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J-PARC-HI

J-PARC Heavy-Ion Program, Tokai, Japan (Proposed)

J-PARC today



j-parc.jp

Proton acceleration facility for very intense proton beams (50 GeV) Research with secondary beams (π , K, anti-p)

J-PARC-HI



Proposal: Add a heavy-ion injection branch (LINAC, booster) to the existing proton accelerator complex Slow extraction of extremely intense beams (10¹¹ / s) Beam energy range: 1 - 19 GeV/u

Proposed experiments at J-PARC-HI



J-PARC-HI

For more details, see talk by T. Sakaguchi, today, 11:45





III. What may we hope?



Collision energy



Interaction rates



Availability

- CBM @ FAIR: many research programmes; competition for beam
 - however: parallel operation to storage-ring experiments, e.g. PANDA
 - machine operation 9 months/year; estimated 3 months/year for CBM
- MPD @ NICA: sole user of collider ring (later shared only with SPD)
- CEE @ HIAF: competition with other research programmes (similar to CBM)
- BM@N @ NICA: at the moment only user of extracted beams

Mode: fixed-target vs. collider

- Fixed-target experiments:
 - Lower energy, potentially higher interaction rate (limit not by accelerator but by detector capacity)
 - Easier coverage of forward rapidity region
 - Acceptance changes with energy (can be partially compensated by magnetic field)
 - Projectile spectators are hard to measure
- Collider experiments:
 - Larger energy range
 - Interaction rate usually limited by the accelerators; beam quality deteriorates when running below maximum energy
 - Harder to measure spectators (beam hole), but possible on both sides
 - Acceptance stays approximately constant with energy.

Pros and cons: good to have both even at the same energy!



	CEE	BM@N	СВМ	MPD	HADES	NA61	STAR	J-PARC
hadrons								
fluctuations								
electrons								
muons								
charm								

Performance: event centrality



Performance: (anti-) hyperons



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Both MPD and CBM will allow precision measurements for multi-strange hyperons (spectra flow). CBM will also be able to address anti-Omega.

	sqrt(s _{NN})	Run time	Event rate	Ξ ¹	Ξ+	Ω [_]
HADES	2.6 GeV	4 w	10 kHz	2.5 x 10 ³		
MPD (s1)	11 GeV	10 wk	5 kHz	1.5 x 10 ⁶	8 x 10 ⁴	1.5 x 10 ⁴
CBM	3.8 GeV	1 wk	10 Mhz	4 x 10 ⁹	5 x 10 ⁶	3.3 x 10 ⁵

Performance: electron pairs

CBM, Au+Au, $sqrt(s_{NN}) = 5 \text{ GeV}$ Au+Au vs_{NN}=5 GeV 0-10% dN/dM_{ee} (1/(GeV/c²)) E⁺⁻ - CB 10-CBM Simulations Dalitz 10⁻² Dalitz 10⁻³ ω_{Dalitz} 10^{-4} 10^{-5} in-med p qgp rad. 10⁻⁶ 10^{-7} 10^{-8} 10⁻⁹ 10⁻¹⁰ 0.5 1.5 2 2.5 0 1 M_{ee} (GeV/c²) S/B ratios for dileptons S/B NA60 ▲ CERES MPD (sim.) 10^{-1} ⇔ CBM (sim.) ▼ PHENIX ⇒ STAR 10^{-2} X 10^{-3} 300 500 700 0 100200 400 600 dN/dŋ

MPD, Au+Au, $sqrt(s_{NN}) = 8 \text{ GeV}$



Performances of CBM and MPD are competitive to dedicated lepton-pair experiments.

Fluctuations



Current and future experiments will continue the excitation function: Critical point? Phase transition?

Conclusions



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