



## NRC KI IHEP: recent results at the U-70 machine

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# Layout of accelerators and research facilities



E=70 GeV, (50 GeV) I=1.7·10<sup>13</sup>ppp(1.0·10<sup>13</sup>ppp) Beams : π+-, K+-,p, $\bar{p}$ , e+-,<sup>12</sup>C

- Fast extraction
- Slow extraction
- Extraction by crystals
- Internal targets

Research directions: • hadron spectroscopy • rare kaon decays • spin asymmetries • baryon matter • nuclear physics •...... • proton radiography • radiobiology • radiation hardness

beam optics with crystals
R&D on detectors

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## R@D

- Scintillators
- Photomultipliers
- Muon tomography
- GaAs detectors
- RFQ development
- Beam optics

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Superconducting systems



## International collaborations

- USA
  - FNAL D0, MU2e
  - BNL PHENIX, STAR
- EUROPE
  - DESI XFEL, HERMES
  - FAIR PANDA
- CERN
  - LHC machine
  - ATLAS
  - CMS
  - LHCb
  - ALICE
  - COMPASS
  - DIRAC
  - NA 62
  - NA 64
- JAPAN
  - BELLE, BELLE II





























## OKA Kaon decays



Separator (Panofsky scheme):

- Frequency 2865 MHz
- The resonator length is 2.74 m
- The average deflection field  $\sim$
- 1 (.6) MV / m
- Operating temperature 1.8 K
- The proton beam momentum
  50 GeV
- Intensity ~  $7x10^{13}$  / spill
- Spill 2 sec,  $\tau$  cycle = 9,7 s
- Secondary beam momentum12.5 or 18 GeV
- Length of the channel ~ 200 m
- K<sup>+</sup> intensity ~0.5x10<sup>6</sup>/spill
- $\%~{\rm K^{+}}$  in the beam up to 20%



Analysis in progress:

- 1. Form factors of the decays: Ke3, K $\mu$ 3
- 2. Search for a heavy sterile neutrino in  $K^+ \rightarrow \mu + \nu$
- 3. Study of the decay  $K\mu 3\gamma$
- 4. Study of the coherent process  $K^+ Z \rightarrow K^+ \pi^0 Z$
- 5. Exact measurement of BR Ke3
- 6. Study of the Ke3γ decay
- 7. Study of the decay  $K\mu 2\gamma$

## Ke3 decay studies



E/P plot - the ratio of the energy of the associated ECAL cluster to the momentum of the charged track (left);  $\alpha$  - the angle between  $\vec{p}_K$  and  $\vec{p}_e + \vec{p}_{\pi}$  in the lab-system(right).



 $\lambda' - \lambda''$  correlation plot (left); Projection of the Dalitz-plot on z (right) axis

## OKA

#### arXiv:1708.09587v1

$$M = \frac{-G_F V_{us}}{2} \bar{u}(p_{\nu})(1+\gamma^5) [((P_K + P_{\pi})_{\alpha}f_+ + (P_K - P_{\pi})_{\alpha}f_-)\gamma^{\alpha} - 2m_K f_S - i\frac{2f_T}{m_K}\sigma_{\alpha\beta}P_K^{\alpha}P_{\pi}^{\beta}]v(p_l)$$
$$f_+(t) = f_+(0)(1+\lambda'_+t/m_{\pi^+}^2 + \frac{1}{2}\lambda''_+t^2/m_{\pi^+}^4)$$

About 5.25M events are selected for the analysis. The linear and quadratic slopes for the decay formfactor f+(t) are measured:  $\lambda'$ + = (26.1±0.35±0.28)×10<sup>-3</sup>,  $\lambda''$ + = (1.91±0.19±0.14)×10<sup>-3</sup>. The scalar and tensor contributions are compatible with zero.



# Search for heavy neutrino in $K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ v_H$ decay

#### arXiv:1709.01473v1

A high statistics data sample of the  $K+ \rightarrow \mu + \nu$  decay was accumulated by the OKA experiment in 2012. The missing mass analysis was performed to search for the  $K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_{\mu}$  channel with a hypothetic stable heavy neutrino in the final state. The obtained missing mass spectrum does not show peaks which could be attributed to existence of stable heavy neutrinos in the mass range (220 <  $m_H$  < 375) MeV/c<sup>2</sup>. As a result, we obtain upper limits on the branching ratio and on the value of the mixing element  $|U_{uH}|^2$ .



Production of a heavy sterile neutrino in the K+ decay



 $m_{\rm H} ({\rm GeV/c^2})$ 



This setup has been constructed for study of charmed particles production in ppand pA-interactions by the SVD collaboration including NRC KI IHEP (Protvino), JINR (Dubna), NPI MSU (Moscow).

### RATIOS OF CHARMED PARTICLES YIELDS

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Relative yields of charmed particles. The theoretical curves (with designation of a particle) are taken from the predictions of the statistical hadronization model.

The results are compatible with the predictions of the statistical hadronization model

#### **RESULTS:**

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The total cross section for charm production in pA-interactions from SVD-2 and other experiments:  $\circ - SVD-2$ ,  $\nabla -$  beam-dump with muon absorber,  $\Box - SCAT$  bubble chamber experiment and  $\Delta -$  the experiment with BIS-2 spectrometer.

The total open charm production cross-section at  $\sqrt{s} = 11.8$  GeV is well above QCD models predictions. Relative yields are close to the prediction of QGSM for D mesons and for  $\Lambda_c^+$  baryon at this energy.

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## VES

## VES Partial Wave Analysis

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•  $\psi_i^{\varepsilon}(\tau)$  enumerated by its quantum numbers •  $i, \varepsilon = J^{PC} M^{\varepsilon}$  [isobar]  $\pi L$ • has no free parameters The mass-independent PWA events density:  $\mathcal{I}(m, t', \tau) = \sum_{e} \sum_{r} \left| \sum_{i} T_{ir}^{\varepsilon}(m, t') \overline{\psi}_{i}^{\varepsilon}(\tau, m) \right|^{2}$ The density matrix:  $\rho_{i,k}^{\varepsilon} = \sum_{r} T_{ir}^{\varepsilon} T_{kr}^{\varepsilon*}$ The partial wave intensities:  $I_k(m, t') = \rho_{k,k}^{\varepsilon}$ Phase of wave *i* relative to wave *k*:  $\phi(i - k)(m, t') = arg(\rho_{i,k}^{\varepsilon})$ 

Data:	
Statistics	+-
Background	+-
Precision	+
Efficiency	+
Systematics	+-

Analysis (PWA)

This ansatz can be too simplistic and lead to erroneous results for weak waves and an uncontrolled systematic errors for large waves. A number of additional analyzes improve the reliability of the results:

- Variation of a set of waves
- Variation of the parameters of isobars
- Variation of the rank of the density matri
- Mapping channels  $\pi^-\pi^-\pi^+$  and  $\pi^-\pi^0\pi^0$

- common

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### VES PWA example One wave out of a fifty

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Rank=1;Unlim. Rank;Unlim. Rank, highest eigenvalue

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intensity of  $2^{++}1^+\rho(770)\pi$  -the most stable btw. models and 2 systems

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Rank=1;Unlim. Rank;Unlim. Rank, highest eigenvalue

 $\pi^- N \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^- \pi^+ N$ 

 $\pi^- N \to \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0 N$ 

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intensity of  $2^{++}1^+f_2(1270)\pi$  -the most model dependent

#### **SPIN Cumulative reactions**

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spectrometer

proton beam 10<sup>12</sup>- 10<sup>13</sup> /sec or carbon ion beam  $\sim 10^9$  /sec

Models for cumulative processes:

-Multiple scattering

-Multi-nucleon (multiquark) configurations (dense baryon matter)

- Short-range correlated (SRC) NN pairs with large relative momentum

Main purpose of the SPIN experiment is to obtain information on the nuclear matter structure by studying the spectra and composition of cumulative particles emitted with large transverse momenta ( $p_{\tau}$ ) in hard proton-nucleus and nucleusnucleus interactions. Cumulative particles are those generated in the kinematic regions that are forbidden for scattering with the participation of free nucleons.

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V.V. Ammosov et al., *Physics of Atomic Nuclei, 2013, Vol. 76, No. 10, pp. 1213–1218* V.V.Ammosov et al. Yadernaya Fizika I Inzhiniring 4 (2013)773–778], arXiv-1410.5582

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Differential production cross sections for (a) positively and (b) negatively charged particles as functions of momentum. The upper horizontal axis shows the transverse momentum. Vertical dashed lines show the kinematic thresholds in interaction of free nucleons. pA→h<sup>±</sup> +X

Proton beam, 50 GeV/c Intensity 5x10<sup>12</sup> /sec Targets: **C, Al, Cu, W** Angle of arm 35<sup>0</sup> (lab.syst.)

Production of cumulative particles with large transverse momentum (p> 2.5 GeV/c) has been observed **for the first time** for both positive and negative particles

Spin

pA→h<sup>+</sup> + X
Proton beam, 50 GeV/c
Intensity 5x10<sup>12</sup> /sec
Angle of arm 35<sup>0</sup> (lab.syst.)

Strong dependence ( $\alpha > 1$ ) of inclusive cross-section at high  $\mathbf{p}_{T}$  on atomic mass is typical for the cumulative processes.

 $\alpha = \ln(\sigma_1/\sigma_2) / \ln(A_1/A_2)$ 

![](_page_18_Figure_4.jpeg)

Absence of a strong dependence of the ratios  $p/\pi^-$  and  $p/\pi^+$  on the nucleus mass at large  $p_T$  values serves as an indication of **the local mechanism** of the particle production with a weak contribution from the intranuclear rescattering.

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N. N. Antonov et al., JETP Letters, 2015, Vol. 101, No. 10, pp. 670–673 N. N. Antonov et al., JETP Letters, 2016, Vol. 104, No. 10, pp. 662–665 N. N. Antonov et al., JETP Letters, 2015, Vol. 101, No. 10, pp. 670–673

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## FODS Nuclear-nuclear interactions

Acceleration of the carbon nuclei gave rise to a new direction of experimental research on the U-70. The first measurements of the production of hadrons and nuclear fragments at zero angle in nuclear-nuclear interactions were performed in 2016 on channel 22 of the IHEP accelerator. Accelerated carbon nuclei had a kinetic energy of 20 GeV per nucleon.

Nuclear targets were installed in the channel head. Optics of the channel made it possible to select positive or negative particles at given momentum. A large set up of detectors made it possible to determine the charge and mass of hadrons or nuclear fragments.

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## Fragments separation

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The first results on studying forward nuclei production in collisions of beam carbon at energy 25 GeV/n with nuclear targets on accelerator U-70 at using beam line 22 as spectrometer published: *M.Yu.Bogolyubsky et al., Physics of Atomic Nuclei, 2017, Vol. 80, NO 3, pp 455-460*.

The following puctures show fragment yields of carbon target at beamline rigidity 47 (left) and 53 GeV/c (right) and beam energy 25 GeV/n.

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## Hadron yelds at p=20 GeV/n

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Yields versus the reduced lab momentum at zero angle for p,  $\pi^+$ , d,  $\alpha$ (left picture) and  $\bar{p}$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $K^-$  (right picture) for C+C collisions at p=20 GeV/n.

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*Yields versus the lab momentum at zero angle for different nuclear fragments for C+C collisions. The curves are drawn to guide an eye.* 

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## Beam focusing by crystal devices

The focusing device on the basis of channeling in crystals of trapezoidal shape has been invented

Several crystals were tested in the mode of focusing of a parallel beam into a point in the U-70 experiments [AG Afonin, EV Baranov, GI Britvich et al. JETP Letters 105 (12), 763-765, 2017] The compression ratio of the beam, linearity, focus and deflection efficiency correspond to the expectations.

Reversed direction: the parallel beam formation from point-like source. [A. G. Afonin et al, JETP Lett. 104 12 (2016)] This first experiment with divergent beam of protons with an energy of 50 GeV was performed on the U-70 in Protvino. Proton beam with a divergence of about 1 mrad deflected by an angle of 1.8 mrad with an efficiency of about 15%.

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## New projects

- Spin physics with polarized target (SPASCHARM) commissioning
- Elastic scattering with very high stastistics LOI
- Search for fluctons (second arm in SPIN) LOI
- Carbon-nuclear interaction at  $\sqrt{s} \approx 7$  GeV (FODS)
- Low energy (in tens MeV) photons in carbon-nuclear interactions (SVD)
- Baryon spectroscopy in exclusive  $\pi p$  reactions (VES)

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## SPARE

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