Light clusters and light nuclei in collision dynamics

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Clustering phenomena in excited states of nuclear systems

 $E^* \sim 80 A$ MeV Gas of clusters at higher energies



Kanada-En'yo, Kimura, Ono, Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. 2012 01A202 (2012)

Importance of clusters in heavy-ion collisions

Collis	ions of two	nuclei (e.g.,)	(e + Sn at 50 Me	$PV/nucleon, b \approx 0)$	• • •
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Light-cluster correlations are important in late times, at least.

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BUU with clusters

Danielewicz and Bertsch, NPA 533 (1991) 712. Coupled equations for $f_n(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t)$, $f_p(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t)$, $f_d(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t)$, $f_t(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t)$, $f_h(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t)$ are solved by the test particle method.

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Kuhrts et al., PRC63(2001)034605.

Antisymmetrized Molecular Dynamics (very basic version)

 $|\Phi(Z)\rangle = \frac{\det}{ij} \Big[\exp\Big\{-\nu \Big(\mathbf{r}_j - \frac{\mathbf{Z}_i}{\sqrt{\nu}}\Big)^2 \Big\} \chi_{\alpha_i}(j) \Big]$

AMD wave function

$$\mathbf{Z}_i = \sqrt{v} \mathbf{D}_i + \frac{i}{2\hbar\sqrt{v}} \mathbf{K}_i$$

v: Width parameter = (2.5 fm)⁻²

 χ_{α_i} : Spin-isospin states = $p \uparrow, p \downarrow, n \uparrow, n \downarrow$

Equation of motion for the wave packet centroids Z

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{Z}_i = \{\mathbf{Z}_i, \mathcal{H}\}_{\mathsf{PB}} + (\mathsf{NN \ collisions})$$

$\{\mathbf{Z}_i, \mathcal{H}\}_{PB}$: Motion in the mean field	NN collisions
$\mathcal{H} = \frac{\langle \Phi(Z) H \Phi(Z) \rangle}{\langle \Phi(Z) \Phi(Z) \rangle} + (\text{c.m. correction})$ H: Effective interaction (e.g. Skyrme force)	$W_{i \to f} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \langle \Psi_f V \Psi_i \rangle ^2 \delta(E_f - E_i)$ • $ V ^2$ or σ_{NN} (in medium)
	Pauli blocking

Ono, Horiuchi et al., Prog. Theor. Phys. 87 (1992) 1185.

AMD with usual NN collisions (very basic version)



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In the usual way of NN collision, only the two wave packets are changed.

$$\left\{ |\Psi_f\rangle \right\} = \left\{ |\varphi_{k_1}(1)\varphi_{k_2}(2)\Psi(3,4,\ldots)\rangle \right\}$$

(ignoring antisymmetrization for simplicity of presentation.)

Phase space or the density of states for two nucleon system



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 $\left\{ |\Psi_f\rangle \right\} \ni |\varphi_{k_1}(1)\psi_d(2,3)\Psi(4,\ldots)\rangle, \ \ldots$

Similar to Danielewicz et al., NPA533 (1991) 712.

$$N_1 \xrightarrow{B_1} \varphi_1' \xrightarrow{\varphi_1'} C_1$$

$$N_2 \xrightarrow{P_2'} \varphi_2 \xrightarrow{\varphi_2'} C_2$$

$$B_2 \xrightarrow{\varphi_2'} \varphi_2'$$

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{p}_{\mathsf{rel}} &= \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2) = p_{\mathsf{rel}} \hat{\mathbf{\Omega}} \\ \mathbf{q} &= \mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_1^{(0)} = \mathbf{p}_2^{(0)} - \mathbf{p}_2 \\ \varphi_1^{+\mathbf{q}} &= \exp(+i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{N}_1})\varphi_1^{(0)} \\ \varphi_2^{-\mathbf{q}} &= \exp(-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{N}_2})\varphi_2^{(0)} \end{split}$$

$N_1 + B_1 + N_2 + B_2 \rightarrow C_1 + C_2$

- N₁, N₂ : Colliding nucleons
- B₁, B₂ : Spectator nucleons/clusters
- C₁, C₂ : N, (2N), (3N), (4N) (up to α cluster)

Transition probability

$$W(\text{NBNB} \rightarrow \text{CC}) = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |\langle \text{CC} | V | \text{NBNB} \rangle|^2 \delta(E_f - E_i)$$

$$vd\sigma \propto |\langle \varphi_1'|\varphi_1^{+\mathbf{q}}\rangle|^2 |\langle \varphi_2'|\varphi_2^{-\mathbf{q}}\rangle|^2 |M|^2 \delta(E_f - E_i) p_{\mathsf{rel}}^2 dp_{\mathsf{rel}} d\Omega$$

 $|M|^2 = |\langle NN|V|NN \rangle|^2$: Matrix elements of NN scattering $\Leftarrow (d\sigma/d\Omega)_{NN}$ in medium (or in free space)

NN collisions with cluster correlations (more explanations)



For each NN collision, cluster formation is considered.

$$\begin{split} & \mathsf{N}_1 + \mathsf{B}_1 + \mathsf{N}_2 + \mathsf{B}_2 \rightarrow \mathsf{C}_1 + \mathsf{C}_2 \\ & W_{i \rightarrow f} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |\langle \mathsf{CC} | V_{NN} | \mathsf{NBNB} \rangle|^2 \delta(E_f - E_i) \end{split}$$

Ono, J. Phys. Conf. Ser. 420 (2013) 012103 Ikeno, Ono et al., PRC 93 (2016) 044612

- We always have a Slater determinant of nucleon wave packets. A cluster in the final states is represented by placing wave packets at the same phase space point.
- Consequently the processes such as $d + X \rightarrow n + p + X'$ and $d + X \rightarrow d + X'$ are automatically taken into account.

- No parameters have been introduced to adjust individual reactions.
- There is an option to suppress clusters depending on the medium.
- There are many possibilities to from clusters in the final states.
 Non-orthogonality of the final states should be carefully handled.

Construction of Final States

Clusters (in the final states) are assumed to have $(0s)^N$ configuration.



Final states are not orthogonal: $N_{ij} \equiv \langle \Phi'_i | \Phi'_i \rangle \neq \delta_{ij}$

The probability of cluster formation with one of B's:

$$\hat{P} = \sum_{ij} |\Phi'_i\rangle N_{ij}^{-1} \langle \Phi'_j |, \qquad P = \langle \Phi^{\mathbf{q}} | \hat{P} | \Phi^{\mathbf{q}} \rangle \qquad \neq \sum_i |\langle \Phi'_i | \Phi^{\mathbf{q}} \rangle|^2$$

 $\begin{cases} P \Rightarrow \text{Choose one of the candidates and make a cluster.} \\ 1 - P \Rightarrow \text{Don't make a cluster (with any n1).} \end{cases}$

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Correlations to bind several clusters



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e.g., ⁷Li = $\alpha + t - 2.5$ MeV Need more probability of $|\alpha + t\rangle \rightarrow |^{7}$ Li \rangle



- Step 1 Clusters (and nucleons) C_i and C_j are *linked*,
 - if C_i is one of the 4 clusters closest to C_j, and (i ↔ j),
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 - and if they are slowly moving away, $\mathbf{P}_{ij}^2/2\mu_{ij} < 8 \text{ MeV}$ and $\mathbf{R}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{P}_{ij} > 0$.
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Results for multifragmentation in central collisions





Hudan et al., PRC 67 (2003) 064613. Reisdorf et al., NPA 848 (2010) 366. Hagel et al., PRC 50 (1994) 2017. Data:

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Each wave packet has a momentum width. E.g., it is an important part of the Fermi motion.



The momentum fluctuation Δp is given to a wave packet when it is '**emitted**', following Ono and Horiuchi, PRC53 (1996) 845 [a simple version of wp splitting].

- For a formed cluster, the momentum fluctuation is given to its center-of-mass motion.
- Total momentum and energy conservation.
- A particle is regarded as 'emitted' when there is no other particles around it in phase space within the radius (Δr, Δv) = (3.5 fm, 0.25c).
- Consistency with the method of the zero-point energy correction.



A quantity to represent stopping

$$R_E = \frac{\sum (E_x + E_y)}{2\sum E_z},$$

 \sum for all charged products ($Z \ge 1$)

Stopping should depend on

- Inmedium NN cross sections
- Treatment of Pauli blocking
- Effective interaction

How to select events



Collisions at ~ 300 MeV/nucleon

- High density (~ $2\rho_0$)
- Pion produciton



¹³²Sn + ¹²⁴Sn, E/A = 300 MeV, $b \sim 0$, AMD calculation Neutron rich system (N = 156, Z = 100)



Simple picture

Symmetry Energy
$$S(\rho) \iff n/p \iff \Delta^{-}/\Delta^{0}/\Delta^{+}/\Delta^{++} \iff \pi^{-}/\pi^{+}$$

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More complicated picture

Equation of State NN cross sections Cluster correlations

$$\Rightarrow n/p \stackrel{NN \leftrightarrow N\Delta}{\longleftrightarrow} \Delta^{-}/\Delta^{0}/\Delta^{+}/\Delta^{++} \stackrel{\Delta \leftrightarrow N\pi}{\longleftrightarrow} \pi^{-}/\pi^{+}$$
other observables

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Different n/p dynamics \leftarrow different $E_{sym}(\rho)$ and cluster correlations

Four AMD+JAM calculations and a JAM calculation

- Solid lines: with clusters; Soft (L = 46 MeV) and Stiff (L = 108 MeV)
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Nucleons $\Rightarrow \Delta$ production

- Δ production sees the nucleons in the high-density and high-momentum region of phase space.
- ∆ production is also affected by the nucleons in the low-momentum region of phase space. ⇒ Ikeno's talk on Wednesday.



• $(N/Z)^2$ in high- ρ and high-p region $\approx (\pi^-/\pi^+)_{\text{like}}$ at t = 20 fm/c \cdots Final π^-/π^+ ~30% reduction of E_{sym} effect

• Effects of clusters: Larger ratios, and weaker dependence on Esym



Pions have to go through the exterior region of the expanding system.

- For stiff symmetry energy,
 - The interior region is less neutron rich. $\pi^-/\pi^+\searrow\searrow$
 - The exterior region is more neutron rich. π^-/π^+ /

N/Z Ratio in ¹³²Sn + ¹²⁴Sn at 300 MeV/u (AMD with clusters)



N/Z Ratio in ¹³²Sn + ¹²⁴Sn at 300 MeV/u (AMD without clusters)



N/Z Ratio at 50 and 300 MeV/u

Central collisions calculated by AMD with clusters



$\mathit{N/Z}$ Ratio at 50 and 300 MeV/u



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- TODO: More consistent description of various reactions and observables, such as the energy dependence of stopping observables and the particle spectra.