

Test of an Hydrogen liquid target

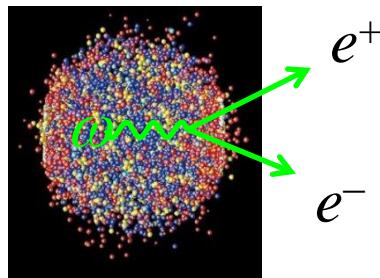
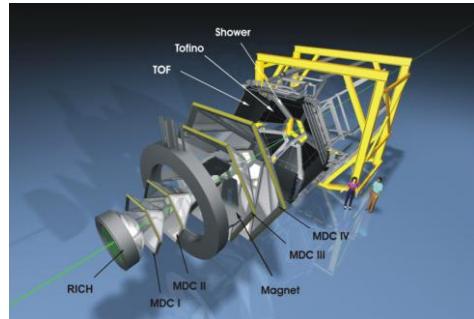
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plan

- Physics motivations
- The liquid target
- The proposed experiment

HADES program at GSI

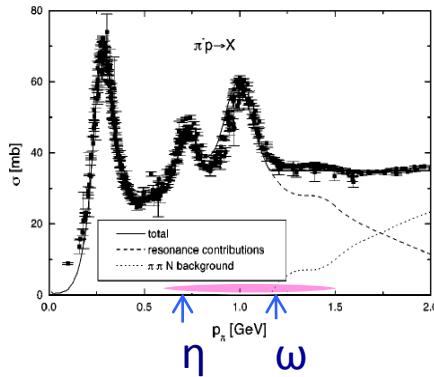
High Acceptance Di-Electron Spectrometer



project for 2013/2014

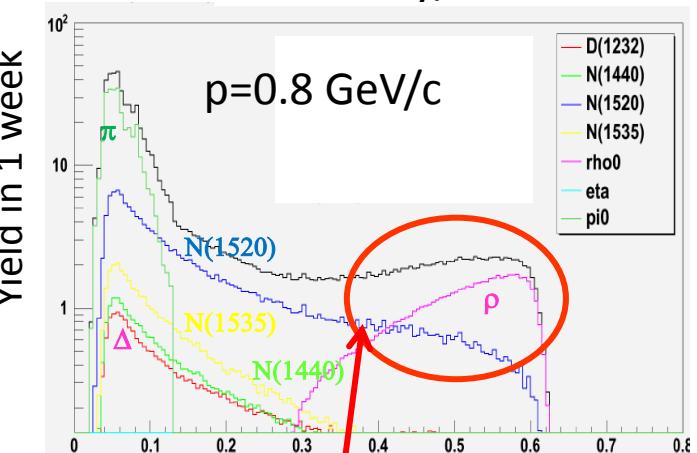
measurements with HADES of e^+e^- , π^\pm , K^\pm in πp and πA reactions
in the region of baryonic resonances with masses between 1.4 and 2.0 GeV/c²

pion momentum $0.6 < p < 1.5$ GeV/c $I \sim 10^6/s$



- ✓ Study of vector meson properties in nuclear matter in $A+A$ and $p+A$ reactions
- ✓ pp/pn reactions
 - reference for medium effects
 - Selective study of dielectron sources (baryonic resonances)

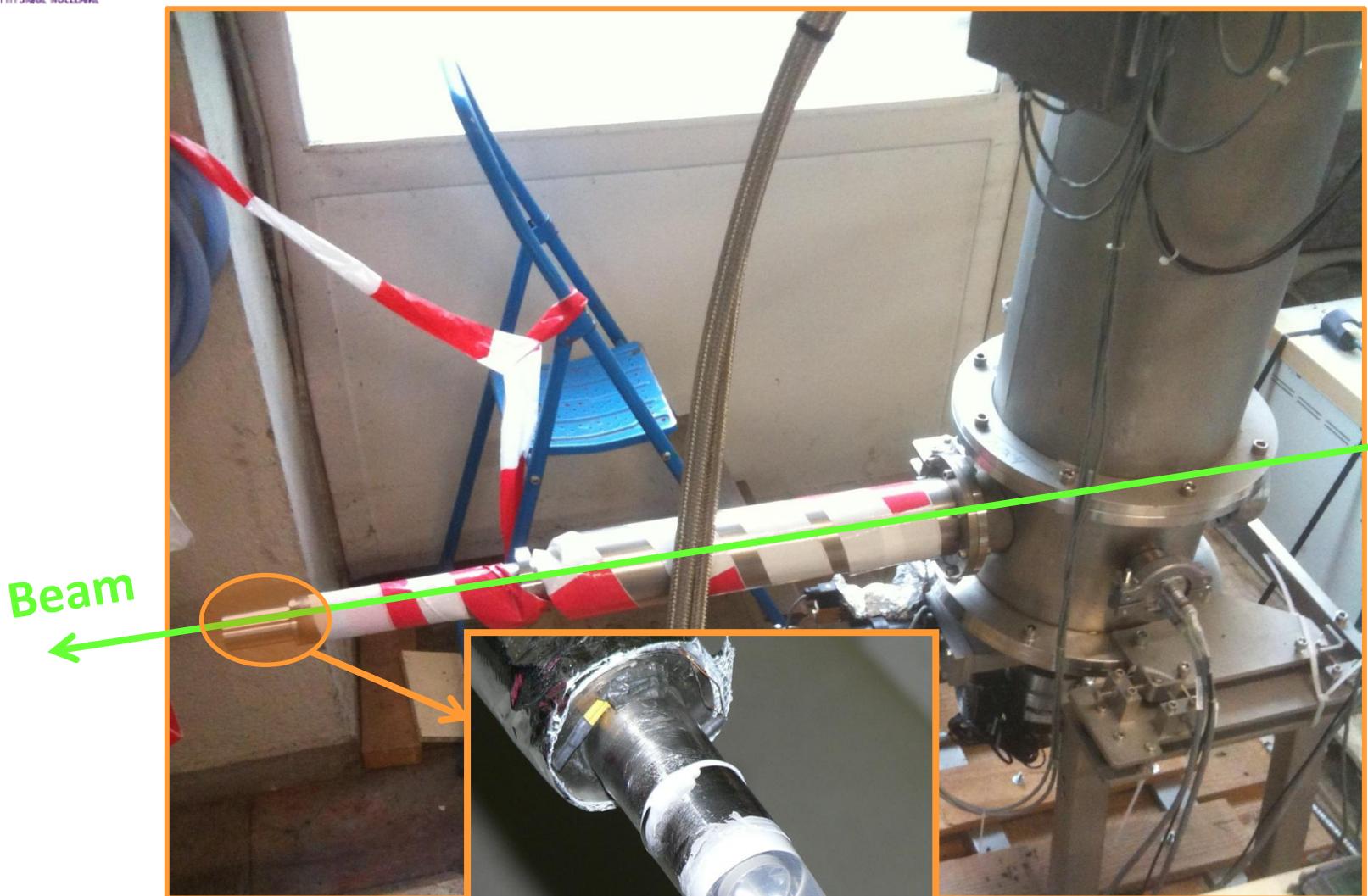
Selection of $\pi^-p \rightarrow e^+e^- n$
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Sensitivity to coupling of baryonic resonances to vector mesons
(link to electromagnetic structure)

- **LH₂ target built in 2000 at IPN**
- **2005-2007 at GSI, malfunction of target in pp reactions (1.25-3.5 GeV)**
 - Every 2-3 minutes, target got empty
 - Transition time < 0.5 s
 - Empty period duration: about 10 s
- **Proposed explanations**
 - Vaporisation by beam heating
 - Valve problem

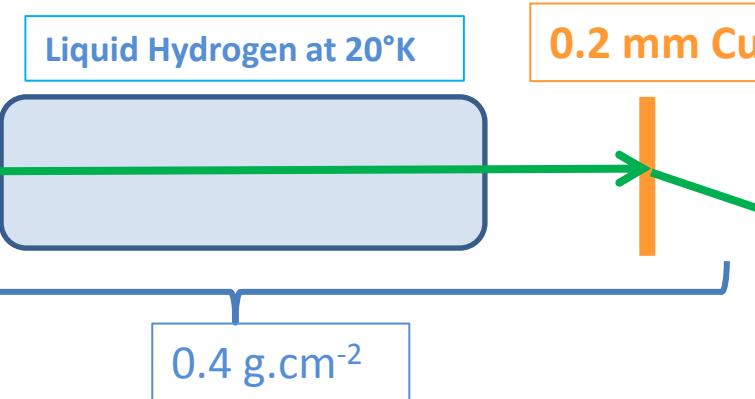
The HADES LH_2 target



- **At IPN Orsay**
 - Target opening and ‘valve’ checking/repairing (march)
 - Functional test in DEGA room (march/april)
 - Test with a proton beam at the Tandem to check the energy deposit effects in the liquid (may/june)
- **At GSI**
 - Test experiment at GSI (autumn) with pion beam and solid targets
 - Physics experiment with pions and liquid target (01/2014-04/2014)

Measurement principle

Protons at
27 MeV



Range of 27 MeV protons = 0.335 g.cm^{-2}
 Hydrogen thickness: 0.315 g.cm^{-2}

Empty target: cold H₂ $\rho_g/\rho_l=1/7$

0.2 mm Cu



intensity requirements?

- With HADES at GSI

1. 2005-2007: runs p+p at 1-3 GeV: $5 \cdot 10^7$ p/s with $dE/d(\rho x) = 4 \text{ MeV.g}^{-1}.\text{cm}^2$ over $\phi \approx 1 \text{ mm}$
2. 2014: run $\pi^- + p$ à 0.7-1.3 GeV/c: $10^6 \pi^-/\text{s}$ with $dE/d(\rho x) = 4 \text{ MeV.g}^{-1}.\text{cm}^2$ over $\phi \approx 15 \text{ mm}$

- At the Tandem

27 MeV protons have $dE/d(\rho x) = 40 \text{ MeV.g}^{-1}.\text{cm}^2 \rightarrow$ need for $I=0.02$ to 1 pA

Tune at 'high' intensity and further reduction through stripper
Monitor the beam intensity with p elastic scattering on a Cu target located
after the empty target

Experimental needs

- **2-3 days for on site installation**
 - Positioning
 - Crane: <150 kg
 - Floor area: 5 m²
 - Electrical power: 4 kW
 - Water cooling
 - Hydrogen container
 - Monitoring devices for low intensities
 - Electronic equipment borrowed from RDD
- **3 UBT on an extracted 27 MeV proton beam**

We have to make the pion experiment at GSI 100% successful

