GSI experiment (November 14-24,2003)



FRS: FRagment Separator at GSI Darmstadt, Germany One single beam: ⁵⁸Ni, with energy varying between .1 and 1.7 GeV/nucleon. All fragments lighter than Ni are produced in the target, sorted out by the spectrometer (magnetic rigidity) and identified (Z,A,E) thanks to the detection system.

Plan: different energies and EM angles, all elements (2<Z<26) dedicated runs with specific ions: C, Si, Fe (use of "degrader")

Issue: Synchronisation of two data streams

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Goals of the GSI experiment

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•Determination of dL/dE as a function of (E,Z)

•Test of the algorithms for rejection of reaction events: heavy ions + lighter ions (alphas...)

Side benefit: •Test of the EM's response to real, high-energy events (comparison with detectors fitted with good electronics)



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Quenching Effects: dL/dE

Birk's formula: L(E)? $E/(1+k_B dE/dx)$

High energy:

for a given dE/dx, E is higher for greater Z? more ? Electrons? less quenching exemple of functional:

L(E) ? ? E (1- X $\ln(1+X^{-1})+ bAZ^2 \ln((1+X)/(X+cA/E)))$ with X=a AZ²/E





GANIL experiment (Easter 2003)

73 MeV/nucleon ⁷⁸Kr+Au, Pb targets



E estimated from Si Energy loss



E in CsI deduced from Eloss in Si (loss in wrapping foil taken into account)

Effect of shaping time (0.5 –2 –6 ?s) also investigated Slide 4

Nuclear reactions: rejection

Will be tested with GSI data: 1.7 GeV Fe will « punch » through the whole calorimeter at normal incidence.

Rejection algorithms based on:

- E_i/E_{i+1} ratios, significantly different from 1 (thresh: TBD) for reactions charge-changing (« stripping ») reactions: Z ? Z-1: ?E/E ?1/Z = 4% for Fe
- presence of energy in neighboring crystals

Numbers of identified reactions can be confronted with expected (= real!) values from empirical cross sections

Simulations: JQMD, INC in GEANT4, Fluka?

CERN-SPS experiment in 2003 (August 7-13)

Goals:

precise measurement of longitudinal shower profile (~20 X₀)
test of energy-reconstruction methods
investigation of crack effects (2 detector subsets)
investigation of the impact of direct energy deposit within photodiodes on position determination
determination of nuclear-reaction patterns (pion-induced reactions)
verification of CsI time constants

Beams (H6a line) : electrons 6 GeV<E<150 GeV pions+muons

Setup: « Cal »: at least 32 crystals (50 proposed by Sweden) trigger: 2cm x 2cm plastic scintillator position: Si strips (?)

CERN-SPS experiment in 2002 detector (2x4 CsI crystals)

Deposited energy (MeV)







(calibration with muons...)

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Transverse "shower profile" at 200 GeV



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