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On the Slow Particles Production in Heavy Ion Induced Emulsion Interactions at Intermediate and High Energy

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Abstract: The multiplicity distributions and correlations of target fragments produced in 150 AMeV ⁴He, 290 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ²⁰Ne, and 500 AMeV ⁵⁶Fe induced different emulsion target interactions are investigated. It is found that the averaged multiplicity of grey track particle, black track particle and heavily ionized track particle increase with the increase of target size. There is a linear correlation between the multiplicity of different target fragments. The experimental results can be well explained based on the geometrical picture and the cascade evaporation model of nucleus-nucleus interactions.

Key words: heavy ion collision; target fragment; multiplicity; correlation; nuclear emulsion

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1 Introduction

The multiplicity distributions and correlations of secondary particles are the basic experimental tools to study the mechanism of nucleus-nucleus interactions. Copious data have been obtained on hadron-nucleus^[1-3] and nucleus-nucleus^[4-27] interactions at relativistic and ultra-relativistic energies. A little investigation is made for interactions at intermediate and high energies (a few hundred MeV per nucleon)^[28-31].

The geometrical aspects of nucleus-nucleus collisions can be understood in terms of the participant-spectator model^[32-33]. According to this model, at finite impact parameters, three regions are produced after a collision between two nuclei. The participant region, the projectile spectator and the target spectator. The projectile spectator decays mainly into nuclear clusters since very little momentum transfer is required to form these fragments. Target spectator forms target fragments which include target re-

coiled protons (grey track particles) and target evaporated fragments (black track particles). The grey track particles are formed due to fast target protons of energy ranging up to 400 MeV. The black track particles are images of target evaporated particles of low-energy ($E < 30~{\rm MeV}$) singly or multiply charged fragments.

In our recent investigation^[31] the forward-backward multiplicity and correlations of target evaporated fragment and target recoiled proton produced in 150 AMeV ⁴He, 290 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ²⁰Ne and 500 AMeV ⁵⁶Fe induced different type of emulsion target interactions are studied, the general characteristics of the particle production in backward hemisphere and forward-backward multiplicity correlations in nucleus-nucleus collisions at intermediate and high energies are investigated. In this paper the multiplicity distributions and correlations of black, grey, and heavily ionized track particles produced in 150

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AMeV ⁴He, 290 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ²⁰Ne and 500 AMeV ⁵⁶Fe induced different type of emulsion target interactions are studied, we want to find out the general characteristics of the multiplicity distributions and correlations of target fragments at intermediate and high energies.

2 Experimental details

Five stacks of nuclear emulsion made by Institute of Modern Physics, Shanxi Normal University, China, are used in present investigation. The emulsion stacks were exposed horizontally at HIMAC NIRS, Japan. The beams were 150 AMeV ⁴He, 290 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ²⁰Ne and 500 AMeV 56 Fe respectively, and the flux was 3000ions/cm². BA2000 and XSJ-2 microscopes with a $100\times$ oil immersion objective and $10\times$ ocular lenses were used to scan the plates. The tracks were picked up at a distance of 5 mm from the edge of the plates and were carefully followed until they either interacted with emulsion nuclei or escaped from the plates. Interactions which were within 30 µm from the top or bottom surface of the emulsion plates were not considered for final analysis. All the primary tracks were followed back to ensure that the events chosen do not include interactions from the secondary tracks of other interactions. When they were observed to do so the corresponding events were removed from the sample.

In each interaction all of the secondaries were recorded, which include shower particles, target recoiled protons, target evaporated fragments and projectile fragments. According to the emulsion terminology^[34], the particles emitted from high energy nucleus-emulsion interactions are classified as follows.

- (a) Black track particle (N_b) . They are target evaporated fragments with ionization $I > 9I_0$, I_0 being the minimum ionization of a single charged particles. Range of black particle in nuclear emulsion is R < 3 mm, velocity is v < 0.3c, and energy is E < 26 MeV. The multiplicity of black track particle is denoted as n_b .
- (b) Grey track particle $(N_{\rm g})$. They are mostly recoil protons in the kinetic energy range $26 \leqslant E \leqslant$

375 MeV and a few kaons of kinetic energies $20 \le E \le 198$ MeV and pions with kinetic energies $12 \le E \le 56$ MeV. They have ionization $1.4I_0 \le I \le 9I_0$. Their ranges in emulsion are greater than 3 mm and have velocities within $0.3c \le v \le 0.7c$. The multiplicity of grey track particle is denoted as $n_{\rm g}$.

The grey and black track particles together are called heavy ionizing particles (N_h) . The multiplicity of heavy ionizing particle is denoted as n_h .

- (c) Shower particle $(N_{\rm s})$. They are produced single-charged relativistic particles having velocity $v \geqslant 0.7c$. Most of them belong to pions contaminated with small proportions of fast protons and K mesons. It should be mentioned that for nucleus-emulsion interactions at a few hundred MeV/nucleon most of shower particles are projectile protons not pions.
- (d) The projectile fragments ($N_{\rm f}$) are a different class of tracks with constant ionization, long range, and small emission angle.

The nuclear emulsion is composed of a homogeneous mixture of nuclei. The chemical composition of nuclear emulsion is H, C, N, O, S, I, Br, and Ag, and major composition is H, C, N, O, Br, and Ag. According to the value of n_h the interactions are divided into following three groups.

Events with $n_h \leqslant 1$ are due to interactions with H target and peripheral interactions with CNO and AgBr targets.

Events with $2 \le n_{\rm h} \le 7$ are due to interactions with CNO targets and peripheral interactions with AgBr targets.

Events with $n_h \ge 8$ definitely belong to interactions with AgBr targets.

3 Results and discussion

Fig. 1 and Fig. 2 show the multiplicity distributions of black and grey track particles in different type of 150 AMeV ⁴He, 290 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ²⁰Ne and 500 AMeV ⁵⁶Fe induced nuclear emulsion interactions, respectively. It is found that with increase of target size the distribution is widened and the position of maximum is increased for the same projectile, no obvious projectile size and energy dependence is observed in

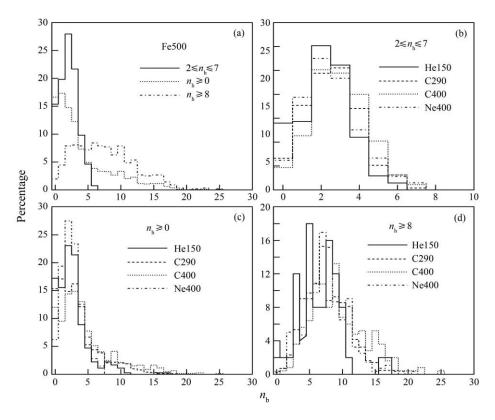


Fig. 1 Multiplicity distribution of black track particle produced in different types of heavy ion induced emulsion target interactions.

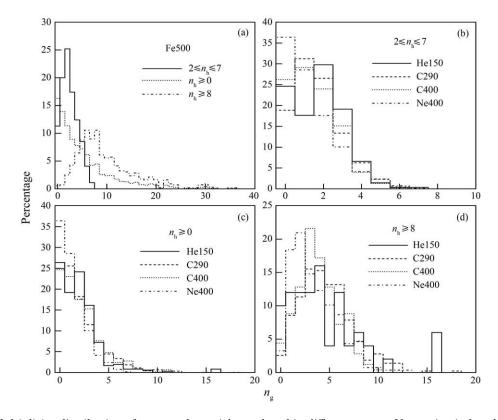


Fig. 2 Multiplicity distribution of grey track particle produced in different types of heavy ion induced emulsion target interactions.

distribution of black track particle for the same target. For light projectile (⁴He, ¹²C, and ²⁰Ne) the grey track particle multiplicity distribution does not depend on the type of interactions, but for interaction of heavy projectile and heavy target, such as ⁵⁶Fe-AgBr, the distribution is broadened. Fig. 3 shows the multiplicity distribution of heavily ionized track particle produced in 150 AMeV ⁴He, 290 AMeV 12 C, 400 AMeV 12 C, 400 AMeV 20 Ne and 500AMeV ⁵⁶Fe induced nuclear emulsion interactions, comparing to the light projectile (⁴He, ¹²C, and ²⁰Ne) the distribution of heavy projectile (⁵⁶Fe) have a long tail. The averaged multiplicity of black, grey, and heavily ionized track particles in different type of 150 AMeV ⁴He, 290 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ¹²C, $400~A{
m MeV}$ $^{20}{
m Ne}$ and $500~A{
m MeV}$ $^{56}{
m Fe}$ induced nuclear emulsion interactions are presented in Table 1. For comparison the corresponding results^[28] of 390 AMeV 20 Ne, 480 AMeV 40 Ar, and 580 AMeV 56 Fe induced different type of emulsion target interactions are also listed. It is found that for the same target interactions the averaged black track particle multiplicity is the same within experimental errors for different projectile and energy. For light projectile and light target interaction the averaged grey track particle multiplicity is consistent within experimental errors, but for interaction of ⁵⁶Fe-AgBr the averaged grey track multiplicity is greater than that of light projectile induced AgBr interactions.

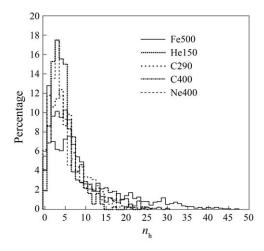


Fig. 3 Multiplicity distribution of heavily ionized track particle produced in different types of heavy ion induced emulsion target interactions.

Table 1 Averaged multiplicity of black, grey and heavily ionized track particles for heavy ion induced different type of emulsion target interactions.

Type of interaction	$N_{ m ev}$	$< n_{\rm b} >$	$<$ $n_{ m g}$ $>$	$< n_{ m h} >$	Reference
$150~A{ m MeV}$ $^4{ m He-H}$	38	0.42 ± 0.08	0.39 ± 0.08	0.82 ± 0.06	Present work
$150~A{ m MeV}~^4{ m He\text{-}CNO}$	272	2.21 ± 0.08	1.73 ± 0.08	3.94 ± 0.09	Present work
$150~A{ m MeV}~^4{ m He-AgBr}$	50	6.56 ± 0.48	4.58 ± 0.56	11.14 ± 0.53	Present work
$150~A{ m MeV}$ $^4{ m He\text{-}Em}$	360	2.62 ± 0.13	1.99 ± 0.12	4.61 ± 0.18	Present work
$290~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C\text{-}H}$	332	0.36 ± 0.03	0.29 ± 0.02	0.66 ± 0.03	Present work
$290~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C\text{-}CNO}$	1086	2.59 ± 0.04	1.64 ± 0.04	4.23 ± 0.05	Present work
$290~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C\text{-}AgBr}$	432	7.66 ± 0.16	4.60 ± 0.13	12.26 ± 0.18	Present work
290 AMeV $^{12}\mathrm{C\text{-}Em}$	1850	3.37 ± 0.07	2.09 ± 0.05	5.46 ± 0.11	Present work
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C\text{-}H}$	99	0.24 ± 0.04	0.31 ± 0.05	0.56 ± 0.05	Present work
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C\text{-}CNO}$	450	2.92 ± 0.07	1.46 ± 0.06	4.39 ± 0.08	Present work
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C\text{-}AgBr}$	250	9.39 ± 0.27	3.96 ± 0.15	13.35 ± 0.30	Present work
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C\text{-}Em}$	799	4.62 ± 0.15	2.10 ± 0.07	6.72 ± 0.19	Present work
$400~A{ m MeV}$ $^{20}{ m Ne}{ m -H}$	140	0.54 ± 0.04	0.14 ± 0.03	0.68 ± 0.04	Present work
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne\text{-}CNO}$	676	2.55 ± 0.06	1.28 ± 0.08	3.83 ± 0.06	Present work
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne\text{-}AgBr}$	277	7.75 ± 0.20	3.51 ± 0.14	11.26 ± 0.18	Present work
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne\text{-}Em}$	1093	3.61 ± 0.10	1.70 ± 0.06	5.31 ± 0.12	Present work
$500~A{ m MeV}$ $^{56}{ m Fe}{ m -H}$	223	0.43 ± 0.03	0.32 ± 0.03	0.76 ± 0.03	Present work
$500~A{ m MeV}$ $^{56}{ m Fe\text{-}CNO}$	540	2.08 ± 0.06	2.47 ± 0.07	4.55 ± 0.07	Present work
$500~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{56}{\rm Fe\text{-}AgBr}$	558	7.53 ± 0.19	9.89 ± 0.26	17.42 ± 0.38	Present work
$500~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{56}{\rm Fe\text{-}Em}$	1321	4.10 ± 0.12	5.24 ± 0.16	9.35 ± 0.25	Present work
$390~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne}\text{-H}$	37	0.14 ± 0.06	0.59 ± 0.08	0.73	[28]
$390~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne\text{-}CNO}$	96	2.89 ± 0.12	1.54 ± 0.15	4.43	[28]
$390~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne\text{-}AgBr}$	163	5.31 ± 0.42	3.54 ± 0.32	8.85	[28]
$390~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne\text{-}Em}$	296	3.88 ± 0.25	2.52 ± 0.19	6.40	[28]
480 AMeV $^{40}\mathrm{Ar}\text{-H}$	23	0.61 ± 0.10	0.17 ± 0.08	0.78	[28]

Table 1	(Continued)
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Type of interaction	$N_{ m ev}$	< n _b >	$< n_{ m g} >$	$<$ $n_{ m h}$ $>$	Reference
$480~A{ m MeV}$ $^{40}{ m Ar}{ m CNO}$	63	2.94 ± 0.17	1.16 ± 0.15	4.10	[28]
$480~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{40}{\rm Ar\text{-}AgBr}$	116	5.87 ± 0.48	4.38 ± 0.51	10.25	[28]
$480~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{40}{\rm Ar\text{-}Em}$	202	4.36 ± 0.31	2.90 ± 0.32	7.26	[28]
$580~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{56}{\rm Fe\text{-}H}$	71	0.36 ± 0.07	0.62 ± 0.16	0.98	[28]
$580~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{56}{\rm Fe\text{-}CNO}$	218	2.43 ± 0.14	2.26 ± 0.17	4.69	[28]
$580~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{56}{\rm Fe\text{-}AgBr}$	322	7.98 ± 0.38	8.17 ± 0.69	16.15	[28]
$580~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{56}{\rm Fe\text{-}Em}$	611	5.11 ± 0.27	5.18 ± 0.31	10.29	[28]

The multiplicity correlations between slow particles emitted in heavy ion induced different type of emulsion target interactions are the most sensitive sources of the information about the mechanism of target fragments production. Figs. $4\sim6$ show the multiplicity correlations between the different type of target fragments produced in 150 AMeV ⁴He, 290 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ²⁰Ne and 500 AMeV ⁵⁶Fe induced different types of emulsion target interactions. The experimental results can be well represented by a linear relation of the formula

$$\langle n_i \rangle = a n_i + b , \qquad (1)$$

where $i \neq j$ means black track particle (b), grey track particle (g) and heavily ionized track particle (h), respectively. The correlation parameters a and b obtained by the least-square fitting are listed in Table 2. It should be mentioned that some of the fitting parameters are from the first a few data sets.

It can be seen that for heavy ion induced light targets (CNO) interactions $\langle n_b \rangle$ decreases with the increase of $n_{\rm g}$ and $\langle n_{\rm g} \rangle$ decreases with the increase of $n_{\rm b}$. For heavy ion induced heavy targets (AgBr) interactions $\langle n_{\rm g} \rangle$ decreases firstly and then keeps constant with increase of the value of $n_{\rm b}$ except for the case of 500 AMeV ⁵⁶Fe where $\langle n_{\rm g} \rangle$ decreases firstly then increases and finally becomes saturation with the increase of n_b , $\langle n_b \rangle$ also decreases firstly and then becomes constant with increase of the value of $n_{\rm g}$ except for the case of 500 AMeV ⁵⁶Fe where $\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle$ decreases firstly then increases and finally becomes constant with the increase of $n_{\rm g}$. For other type of interactions the positive multiplicity correlations are observed except for correlation between $\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle$ and $n_{\rm g}$ for 500 AMeV ⁵⁶Fe induced emulsion interactions where $\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle$ increases firstly and then becomes saturation with increase of $n_{\rm g}$, and for correlation between $\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle$ and $n_{\rm g}$, and correlation of $\langle n_{\rm g} \rangle$ with $n_{\rm b}$ for

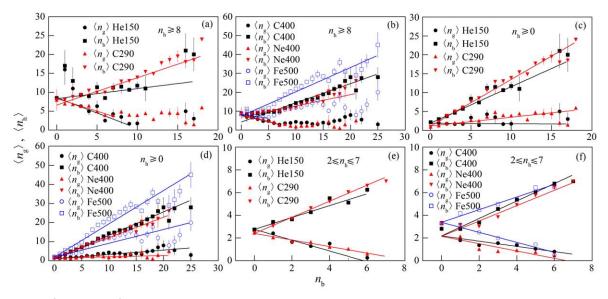


Fig. 4 (color online) Dependences of the averaged multiplicity of grey and heavily ionized track particles on the number of black track particle.

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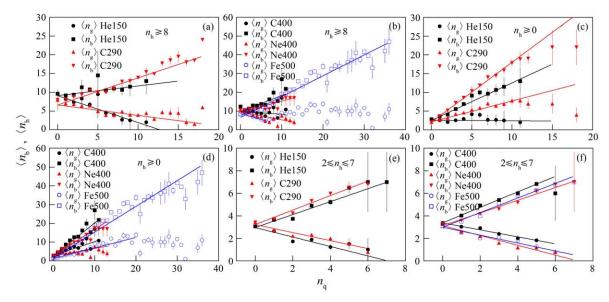


Fig. 5 (color online) Dependences of the averaged multiplicity of black and heavily ionized track particles on the number of grey track particle.

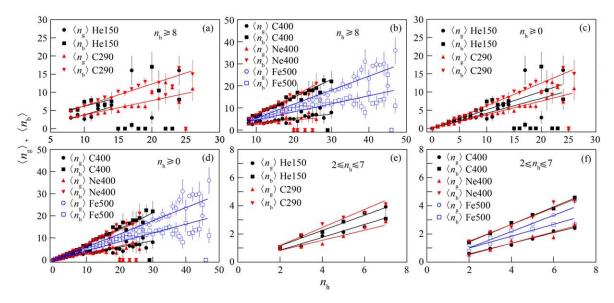


Fig. 6 (color online) Dependences of the averaged multiplicity of black and grey track particles on the number of heavily ionized track particle.

Table 2 Parameters of multiplicity correlation for heavy ion induced different type of emulsion targets interactions.

Beam	Type of	$2 \leqslant n_{\rm h} \leqslant 7$		$n_{\rm h} \geqslant 8$		$n_{\rm h} \geqslant 0$	
	correlation	a	b	a	b	a	b
$150~A{\rm MeV}~^4{\rm He}$	$\langle n_{ m b} \rangle - n_{ m g}$	-0.420 ± 0.052	2.959 ± 0.115	-0.716 ± 0.082	9.085 ± 0.280	-0.012 ± 0.069	2.559 ± 0.166
$290~A {\rm MeV}~^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{ m b} \rangle - n_{ m g}$	-0.356 ± 0.020	3.226 ± 0.059	-0.356 ± 0.049	9.334 ± 0.238	0.556 ± 0.032	2.160 ± 0.078
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{ m b} \rangle - n_{ m g}$	-0.310 ± 0.037	3.374 ± 0.095	-0.140 ± 0.078	9.722 ± 0.362	0.743 ± 0.057	2.826 ± 0.156
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne}$	$\langle n_{ m b} \rangle - n_{ m g}$	-0.436 ± 0.028	3.127 ± 0.070	-0.421 ± 0.052	9.533 ± 0.254	0.387 ± 0.036	2.815 ± 0.095
$500~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{56}{\rm Fe}$	$\langle n_{ m b} \rangle - n_{ m g}$	-0.352 ± 0.021	2.992 ± 0.087	-0.617 ± 0.078	8.610 ± 0.295	0.560 ± 0.018	1.305 ± 0.077
$150~A{\rm MeV}~^4{\rm He}$	$\langle n_{ m h} \rangle - n_{ m g}$	0.574 ± 0.052	2.966 ± 0.115	0.257 ± 0.094	9.124 ± 0.287	0.998 ± 0.076	2.545 ± 0.172
$290~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{ m h} \rangle - n_{ m g}$	0.644 ± 0.020	3.226 ± 0.059	0.627 ± 0.052	9.389 ± 0.238	1.592 ± 0.033	2.116 ± 0.079
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{ m h} \rangle - n_{ m g}$	0.689 ± 0.037	3.357 ± 0.095	0.853 ± 0.078	9.740 ± 0.362	1.739 ± 0.057	2.830 ± 0.156
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne}$	$\langle n_{ m h} angle - n_{ m g}$	0.564 ± 0.028	3.127 ± 0.070	0.575 ± 0.055	9.543 ± 0.257	1.405 ± 0.037	2.799 ± 0.096

Table 2 (Continued)

Beam	Type of $2 \leqslant n_h$		h ≤ 7	$n_{ m h} \geqslant 8$		$n_{ m h}\geqslant 0$	
	correlation	a	b	a	b	a	b
$500~A{ m MeV}$ $^{56}{ m Fe}$	$\langle n_{ m h} angle - n_{ m g}$	0.648 ± 0.021	2.992 ± 0.087	1.100 ± 0.015	6.595 ± 0.186	1.370 ± 0.011	1.658 ± 0.073
$150~A{\rm MeV}~^4{\rm He}$	$\langle n_{ m g} \rangle - n_{ m b}$	-0.477 ± 0.034	2.760 ± 0.122	-0.811 ± 0.075	8.577 ± 0.395	-0.011 ± 0.042	1.894 ± 0.146
$290~A {\rm MeV}~^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{ m g} angle - n_{ m b}$	-0.290 ± 0.016	2.401 ± 0.060	-0.752 ± 0.113	8.640 ± 0.519	0.232 ± 0.014	1.178 ± 0.050
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{ m g} angle - n_{ m b}$	$-0.230{\pm}0.027$	2.180 ± 0.108	-0.708 ± 0.084	7.878 ± 0.438	0.228 ± 0.011	1.023 ± 0.072
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne}$	$\langle n_{ m g} angle - n_{ m b}$	-0.324 ± 0.024	2.146 ± 0.086	-0.761 ± 0.061	8.276 ± 0.260	0.070 ± 0.013	1.357 ± 0.075
$500~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{56}{\rm Fe}$	$\langle n_{ m g} angle - n_{ m b}$	-0.441 ± 0.036	3.378 ± 0.118	-0.419 ± 0.090	8.357 ± 0.193	0.850 ± 0.040	1.707 ± 0.116
$150~A{\rm MeV}~^4{\rm He}$	$\langle n_{\rm h} \rangle - n_{\rm b}$	0.523 ± 0.034	2.760 ± 0.122	0.265 ± 0.067	8.319 ± 0.381	0.961 ± 0.045	1.954 ± 0.151
$290~A {\rm MeV}~^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{ m h} angle - n_{ m b}$	0.710 ± 0.016	2.401 ± 0.061	0.721 ± 0.029	6.621 ± 0.243	1.232 ± 0.014	1.178 ± 0.050
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{ m h} angle - n_{ m b}$	0.770 ± 0.027	2.180 ± 0.108	1.014 ± 0.017	4.375 ± 0.195	1.230 ± 0.011	1.108 ± 0.073
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne}$	$\langle n_{ m h} angle - n_{ m b}$	0.676 ± 0.024	2.146 ± 0.086	0.597 ± 0.020	6.820 ± 0.176	1.073 ± 0.014	1.350 ± 0.076
$500~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{56}{\rm Fe}$	$\langle n_{ m h} angle - n_{ m b}$	0.559 ± 0.036	3.378 ± 0.118	1.284 ± 0.032	7.420 ± 0.156	1.747 ± 0.029	1.868 ± 0.108
$150~A{\rm MeV}~^4{\rm He}$	$\langle n_{ m g} angle - n_{ m h}$	0.457 ± 0.046	-0.073 ± 0.178	0.541 ± 0.212	$-1.598{\pm}2.115$	0.409 ± 0.026	0.081 ± 0.090
$290~A {\rm MeV}~^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{ m g} angle - n_{ m h}$	0.359 ± 0.020	0.110 ± 0.075	0.394 ± 0.027	-0.174 ± 0.331	0.373 ± 0.008	0.065 ± 0.029
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{ m g} angle - n_{ m h}$	0.378 ± 0.028	-0.183 ± 0.115	0.198 ± 0.029	1.276 ± 0.379	0.284 ± 0.011	0.208 ± 0.054
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne}$	$\langle n_{ m g} angle - n_{ m h}$	0.405 ± 0.030	$-0.285 {\pm} 0.094$	0.135 ± 0.047	1.846 ± 0.531	0.321 ± 0.012	-0.084 ± 0.038
$500~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{56}{\rm Fe}$	$\langle n_{ m g} angle - n_{ m h}$	0.578 ± 0.028	-0.148 ± 0.116	0.633 ± 0.011	-0.925 ± 0.192	0.598 ± 0.006	$-0.208 {\pm} 0.035$
$150~A{\rm MeV}~^4{\rm He}$	$\langle n_{ m b} angle - n_{ m h}$	0.543 ± 0.046	0.073 ± 0.178	0.459 ± 0.212	1.598 ± 2.117	0.499 ± 0.025	0.154 ± 0.088
$290~A {\rm MeV}~^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{ m b} angle - n_{ m h}$	0.641 ± 0.020	-0.110 ± 0.075	0.606 ± 0.027	0.173 ± 0.331	0.627 ± 0.008	-0.065 ± 0.029
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{12}{\rm C}$	$\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle - n_{\rm h}$	0.622 ± 0.028	0.181 ± 0.115	0.806 ± 0.030	-1.315 ± 0.388	0.716 ± 0.011	-0.207 ± 0.055
$400~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{20}{\rm Ne}$	$\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle - n_{\rm h}$	0.595 ± 0.030	0.285 ± 0.094	0.868 ± 0.050	$-1.885 {\pm} 0.556$	0.677 ± 0.012	0.087 ± 0.038
$500~A{\rm MeV}$ $^{56}{\rm Fe}$	$\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle - n_{\rm h}$	0.422 ± 0.028	0.148 ± 0.116	0.364 ± 0.010	0.973 ± 0.191	0.400 ± 0.006	0.214 ± 0.035

150 AMeV 4 He induced emulsion interactions where the slope parameters are -0.012 ± 0.069 , and -0.011 ± 0.042 respectively, the fitted error is big because of the limited statistics.

Based on the participant-spectator model^[32-33] and the cascade evaporation model^[34] of high energy nucleus-nucleus collisions, the grey track particles are emitted from the target nucleus very soon after the instant of impact, which is the target recoiled protons of energy ranging up to 400 MeV, the black track particles are images of target evaporated particles of low-energy (E < 30 MeV) and singly or multiply charged fragments. On the average, with the increase of the number of cascading collisions the excitation energy of target residues increases, so $\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle$ (or $\langle n_{\rm g} \rangle$) increases with the increase of $n_{\rm g}$ (or $n_{\rm b}$).

For interactions with $2 \le n_h \le 7$, $\langle n_g \rangle$ decreases with increase of n_b , and $\langle n_b \rangle$ decreases with increase of n_g owing to the limited target size (the maximum target fragments $n_h = 8$ which corresponds to total disintegration of oxygen nucleus).

For light projectile (such as ⁴He, ¹²C, and ²⁰Ne) induced heavy target(AgBr) interactions, with increasing of n_b the excitation energy of target residues and the number of cascading collisions are increased, but owing to the limited projectile the number of cascading collisions and the excitation energy of target residues are limited, and owing to the limitation of nuclear emulsion detector the peripheral or semicentral AgBr target interactions $(n_h \leq 7)$ can not be discriminated with H and CNO targets interactions, this type of the interaction is classified into the interactions with H target and CNO target interactions, so $\langle n_{\rm g} \rangle$ decreases firstly and then keeps constant with increase of n_b and $\langle n_b \rangle$ also decreases firstly and then becomes constant with increase of $n_{\rm g}$.

It should be mentioned that the correlation between $\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle$ (or $\langle n_{\rm g} \rangle$) and $n_{\rm g}$ (or $n_{\rm b}$) for 500 AMeV ⁵⁶Fe-AgBr interactions is different from that for light projectile induced AgBr interactions. Generally speaking, it is true that with the increase of the number of cascading collisions the excitation en-

ergy of target residues increases, so $\langle n_b \rangle$ (or $\langle n_g \rangle$) increases with the increase of $n_{\rm g}$ (or $n_{\rm b}$). Because of the limitation of nuclear emulsion detector, the peripheral or semi-central Fe-AgBr target interactions with $n_h \leq 7$ is not included in the type of Fe-AgBr target interactions and which is classified into Fe-H and Fe-CNO target interactions, so $\langle n_b \rangle$ (or $\langle n_g \rangle$) decreases firstly with the increase of $n_{\rm g}$ (or $n_{\rm b}$). When the effect of the limitation of nuclear emulsion detector is finished, the real interaction characteristics is appeared that $\langle n_b \rangle$ (or $\langle n_g \rangle$) increases with the increase of $n_{\rm g}$ (or $n_{\rm b}$). Finally because of the limitation of target residue size, the number of cascading collisions and the excitation energy of target residues are limited, so $\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle$ (or $\langle n_{\rm g} \rangle$) becomes constant with the increase of $n_{\rm g}$ (or $n_{\rm b}$).

For interactions with $n_{\rm h} \geqslant 0$ (all of the targets), $\langle n_{\rm g} \rangle$ increases with increase of $n_{\rm b}$, and $\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle$ increases with increase of $n_{\rm g}$, because with the increase of the number of cascading collisions the excitation of target residues increases. For the correlations of $\langle n_h \rangle$ and $n_{\rm g}$, $\langle n_{\rm h} \rangle$ and $n_{\rm b}$, $\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle$ and $n_{\rm h}$, $\langle n_{\rm g} \rangle$ and $n_{\rm h}$ for all type of interactions, positive linear correlation is of course existed, because $n_{\rm h}$ is the sum of $n_{\rm b}$ and $n_{\rm g}$, with increase of $n_{\rm b}$ or $n_{\rm g}$ the $\langle n_{\rm h} \rangle$ is increased, and with increase of $n_{\rm h}$ the values of $\langle n_{\rm g} \rangle$ and $\langle n_{\rm b} \rangle$ are also increased. All of these multiplicity correlation effects for interactions with $n_{\rm h} \geqslant 0$ are the same as that observed in high energy nucleus-emulsion interactions.

4 Conclusions

The multiplicity distributions and correlations of black, grey and heavily ionized track particles emitted in 150 AMeV ⁴He, 290 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ²⁰Ne and 500 AMeV ⁵⁶Fe induced different type of nuclear emulsion interactions are investigated. It is found that the averaged multiplicity of grey, black and heavily ionized track particle increase with the increase of target size. For the same target the averaged black track particle multiplicity does not depend on the projectile size and energy, and the averaged grey track particle multiplicity also does not depend on the the projectile

size and energy for light projectile, but for heavy projectile such as ⁵⁶Fe the averaged grey track particle multiplicity is increased evidently. There is a linear correlation between the multiplicity of different target fragments. The experimental results can be well explained based on the geometrical picture and the cascade evaporation model of nucleus-nucleus interactions.

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中高能重离子诱发乳胶核反应慢粒子产生

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摘要: 对150 AMeV ⁴He, 290 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ¹²C, 400 AMeV ²⁰Ne及 500 AMeV ⁵⁶Fe 诱发乳胶不同靶核反应靶核碎片多重数分布及关联进行了研究。结果表明,黑径迹粒子、灰径迹粒子及重电离粒子平均多重数随靶核大小的增加而增加,不同靶核碎片多重数之间存在线性关联。这些实验结果均可以依据核-核碰撞几何模型及级联蒸发模型来解释。

关键词: 重离子碰撞; 靶核碎片; 多重数; 关联; 原子核乳胶

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