

EXPLORING BARYON-RICH MATTER WITH HADES

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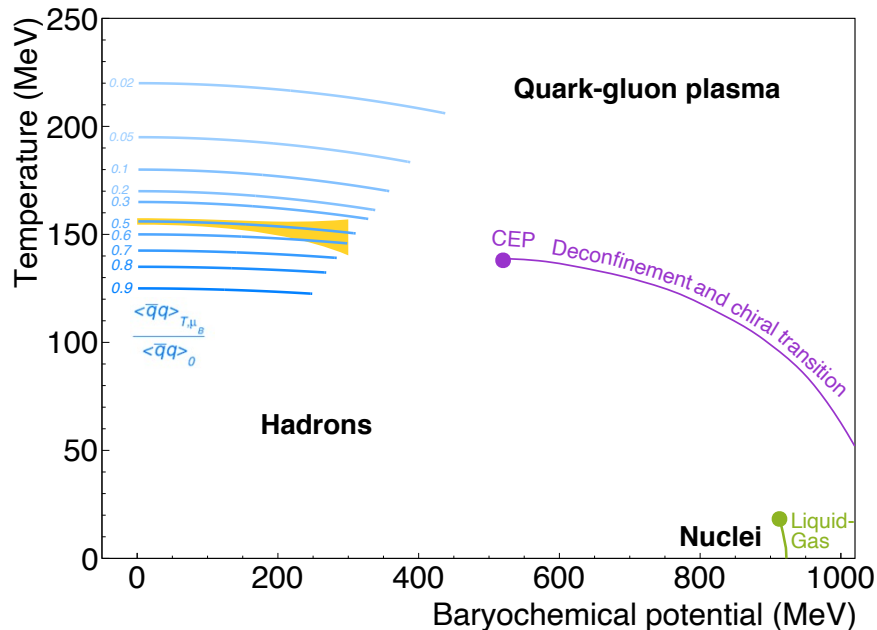
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SEARCHING FOR LANDMARKS OF THE QCD MATTER PHASE DIAGRAM



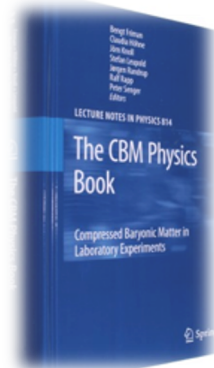
□ vanishing μ_B , high T (lattice QCD)

- crossover
- no critical point indicated by lattice QCD at $\mu_B < 400$ MeV, $T > 140$ MeV (for physical quark masses)

□ large μ_B moderate T (IQCD inspired models)

- limits of hadronic existence?
- 1st order transition?
- QCD critical point?
- equation-of-state of dense matter?

**high μ_B region –
large discovery potential!**



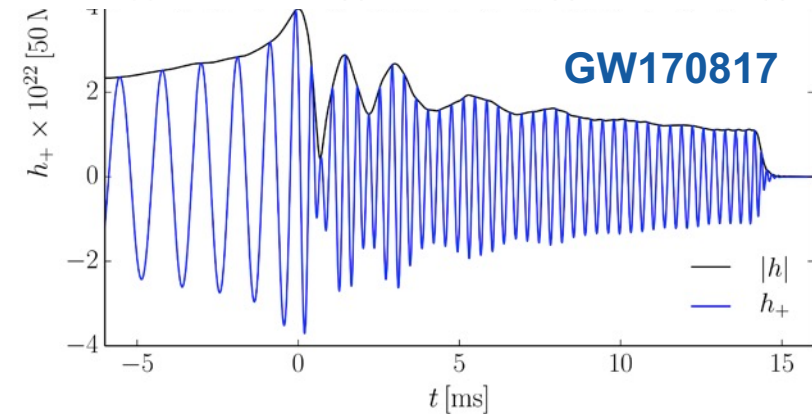
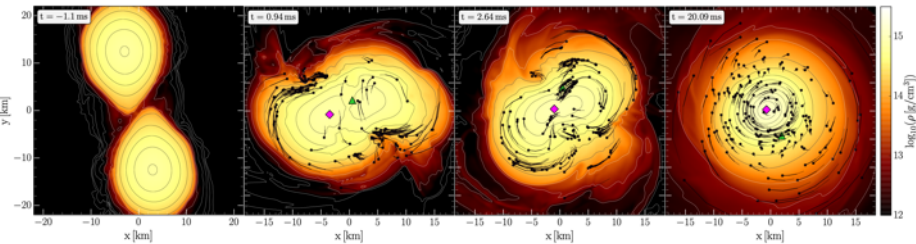
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 Borsanyi *et al.* [Wuppertal-Budapest Collab.], JHEP 1009 (2010) 073
 Philipsen, Lattice 2019, 1912.04827 [hep-lat]

Friman *et al.*,
 Lect. Notes Phys. 814 (2011) 1

LABORATORY STUDIES OF THE MATTER PROPERTIES (EoS) IN COMPACT STELLAR OBJECTS

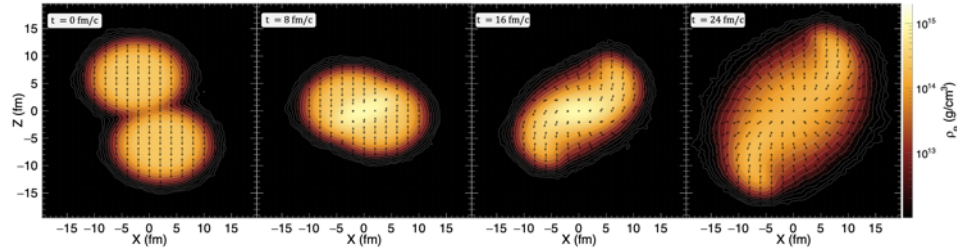
Neutron Star merger (model calculations)

$1.35 + 1.35 M_{\odot}$ $\phi = 10 \text{ km}$ $\tau \sim 20 \text{ ms}$



Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.4 \text{ GeV}$ (UrQMD)

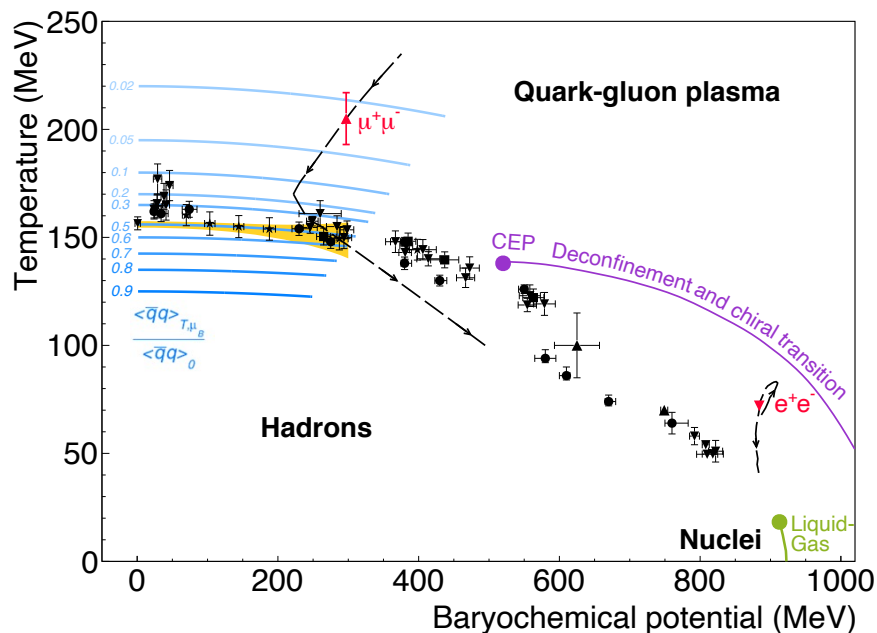
$\phi = 16 \text{ fm}$ $\tau \sim 10^{-23} \text{ s}$



- $T < 70 \text{ MeV}$, $\rho < 3\rho_0$ for both
(note the different isospin)
- Role of YN , YY phase shifts in EOS!
HADES, Phys.Rev. C94 (2016) 025201
ALICE, Phys.Rev.C 99 (2019) 2, 024001

Strong connections between the fields

THE HADES PHYSICS CASE



[HADES] Nature Phys. 15 (2019) 10, 1040-1045

A. Andronic *et al.*, Nature 561 (2018) no.7723

LQCD: S. Borsanyi *et al.* [Wuppertal-Budapest Collab.], JHEP 1009 (2010) 073

LQCD: A. Bazavov *et al.*, Phys.Lett.B 795 (2019) 15-21

- explore high- μ_B region of the QCD phase diagram
- focus on rare and penetrating probes
- address various aspects of baryon-meson coupling

- **π and p beams:**
 - reference measurement (vacuum, cold nuclear matter)
 - *em* structure of baryons/hyperons in time-like region

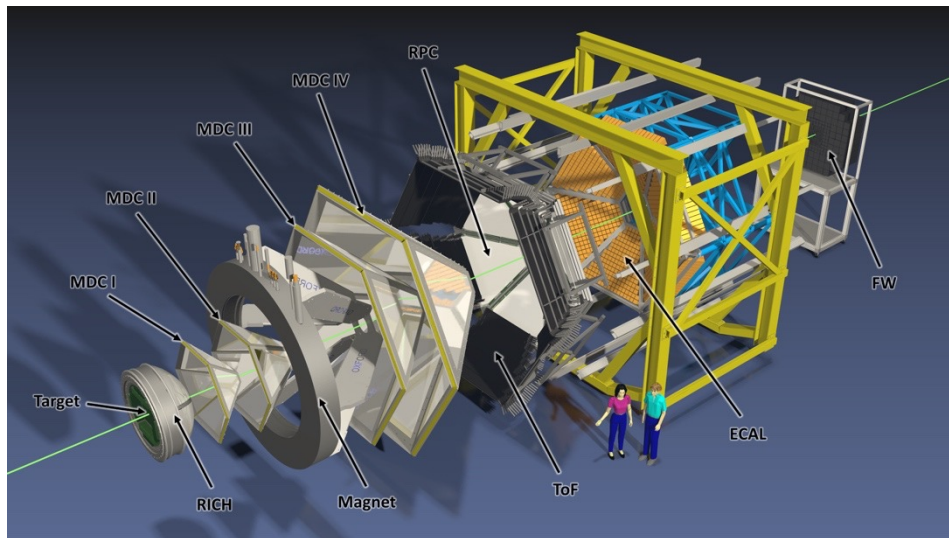
- **Heavy-ion collisions $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2 - 2.55 \text{ GeV}$:**
 - microscopic properties of baryon dominated matter
 - Equation-of-State:
 - e-b-e correlations and fluctuations
 - flavour production and collective effects
 - dileptons

SOME BASIC FACTS ON HADES

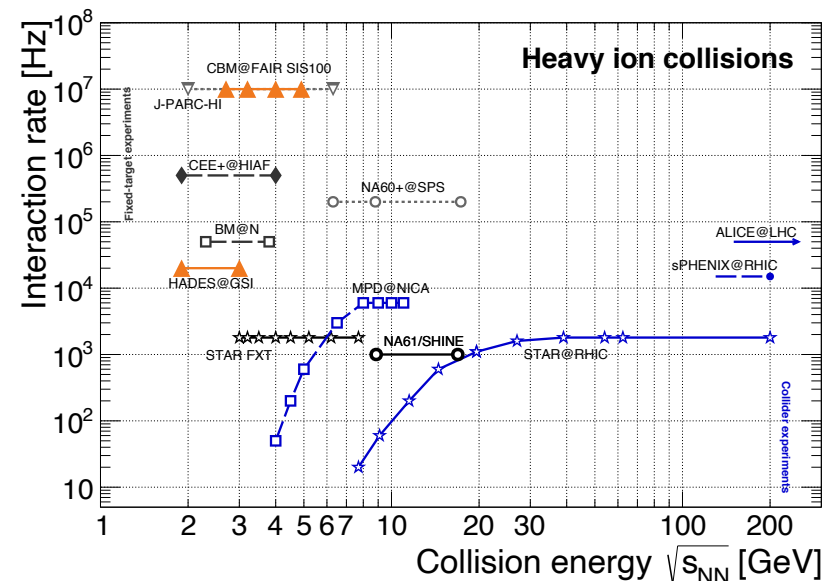
https://github.com/tgalatyuk/interaction_rate_facilities

TG, Nucl.Phys. A982 (2019)

[CBM] EPJA 53 3 (2017) 60



- new since 2019 RICH photo camera, ECAL (5 sectors)
- in 2021 forward detector system Sraw Tracker, RPC
- for 2022 new MDC FEE and 100 kHz DAQ upgrade

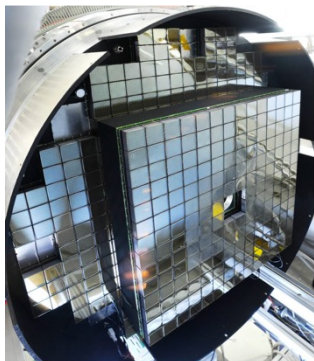


□ accepted trigger rates:

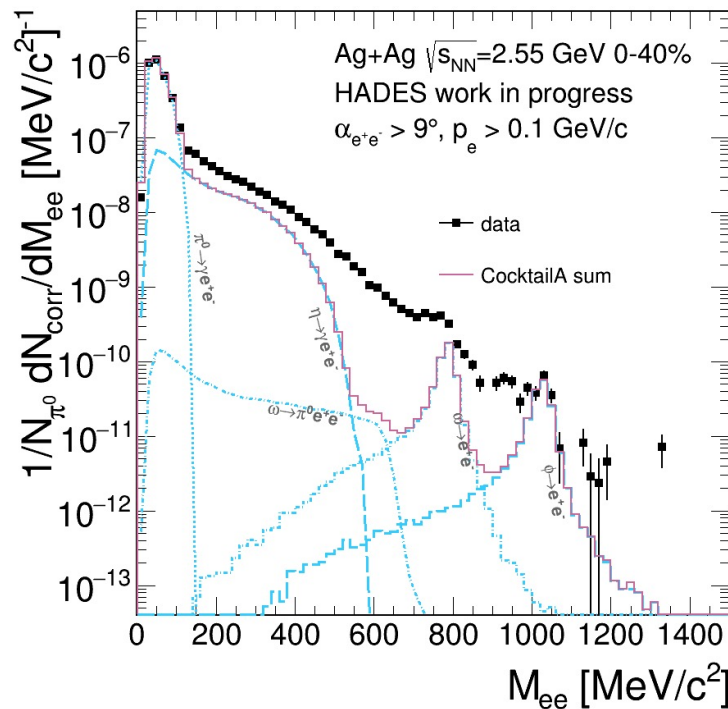
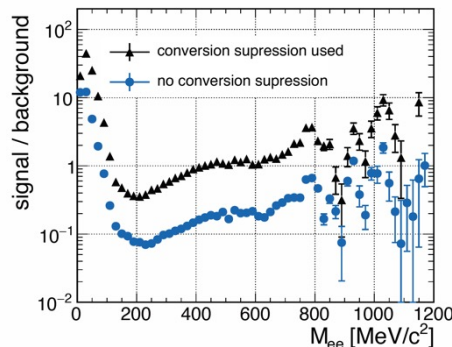
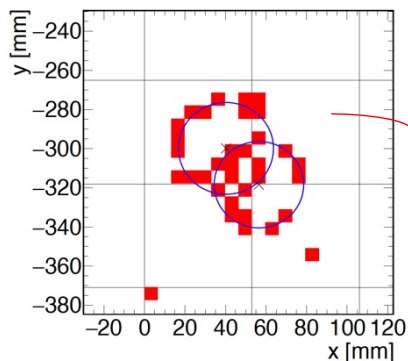
- 8 kHz in Apr 2012 Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \text{ GeV}$ ($7 \times 10^9 \text{ evt}$)
- 16 kHz in Mar 2019 Ag+Ag $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.55 \text{ GeV}$ ($14 \times 10^9 \text{ evt}$) and $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \text{ GeV}$ ($1 \times 10^9 \text{ evt}$)
- 50 kHz for hadron beams

ELECTRON PAIRS

RICH photo camera upgrade, employing CBM at FAIR technology



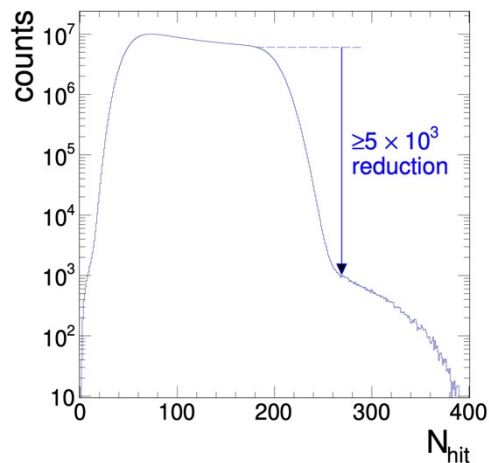
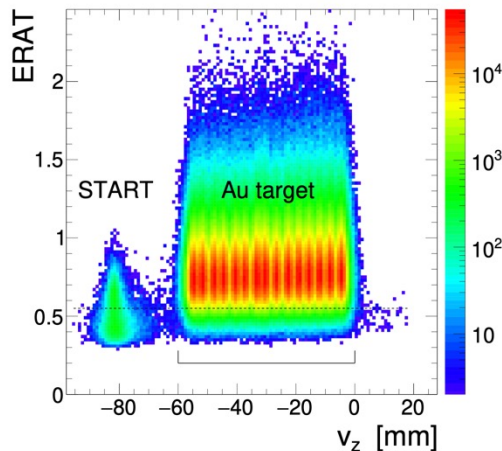
- significantly improved lepton detection efficiency
- excellent double ring detection
(factor of 8 better signal-to-background ratio)
- vector-meson peaks (ω, ϕ) clearly visible
- first measurement of dilepton yield beyond vector meson mass region



EVENT SELECTION and PARTICLE IDENTIFICATION

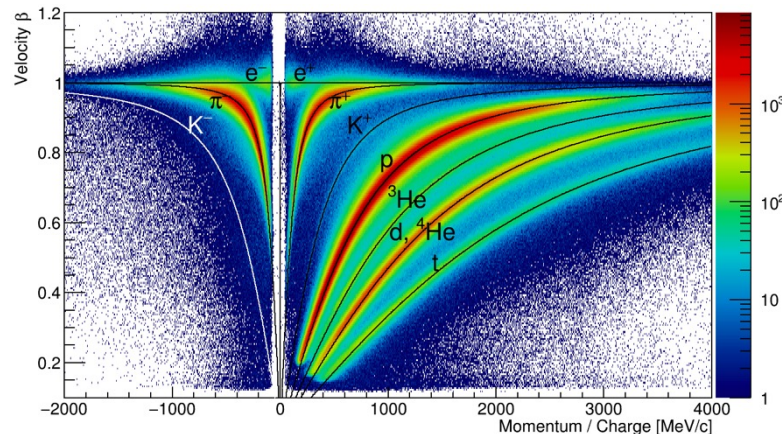
- 15-fold ($25 \mu m$, $\Delta z = 3.7 mm$) segmented target
- LVL1 trigger on 43% most central collisions
- min. bias events scaled down (factor 8)

- velocity, Momentum
- dE/dx in MDC and ToF
- RICH information



$$ERAT = \frac{E_{\perp}^{tot}}{E_{\parallel}^{tot}} = \frac{\sum_i E_{\perp,i}}{\sum_i E_{\parallel,i}} = \frac{\sum_i E_i \sin \theta_i}{\sum_i E_i \cos \theta_i}$$

event pile-up $\leq 2 \times 10^{-4}$
segmented target + Start + VETO

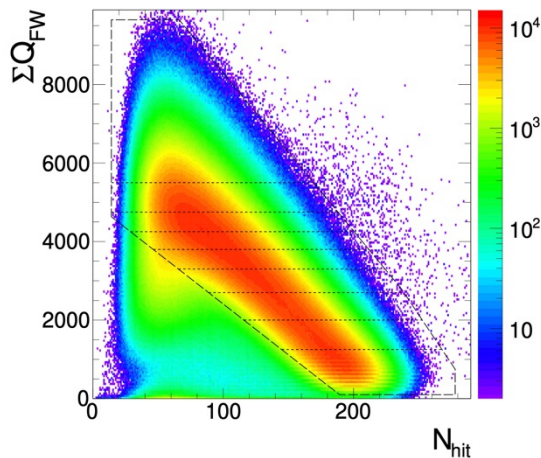


EVENT CHARACTERIZATION CENTRALITY ESTIMATORS

centrality estimator

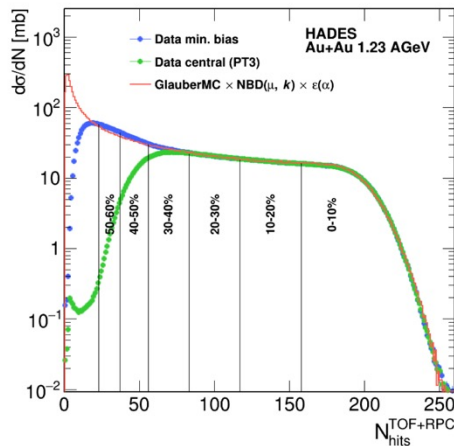
off-line centrality selection based on hit or track multiplicity and/or Forward Wall (FW) integral charge

centrality determination based on FW avoids bias on e-b-e fluctuation observables



HADES, Phys.Rev.C 102 (2020) 2, 024914

using Glauber MC - distributions agree with transport model calculations (processed by GEANT and filtered with standard analysis code)



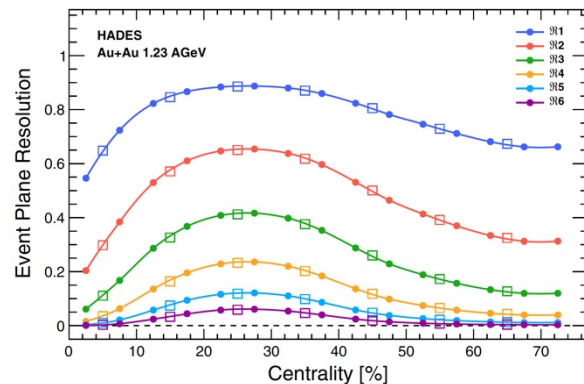
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event plane reconstruction

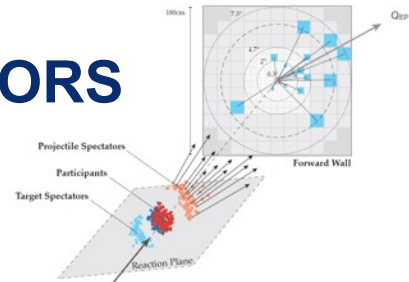
based on hits of charged projectile spectators in the FW

resolution determined from sub-event resolution based on method by J.-Y. Ollitrault, [arXiv:nuc1-ex/9711003](https://arxiv.org/abs/nuc1-ex/9711003)

$$v_n = v_n^{obs} / \mathcal{R}_n \quad \mathcal{R}_n = \langle \cos [n(\Psi_n - \Psi_{RP})] \rangle$$



HADES, Phys.Rev.Lett. 125 (2020) 262301



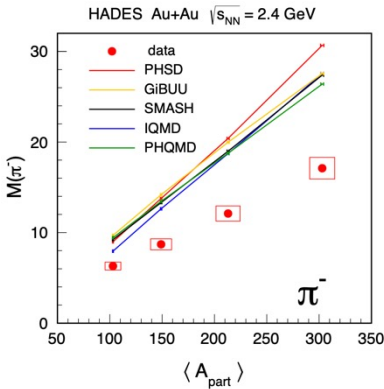
PROPERTIES OF THE MATTER

BULK PROPERTIES

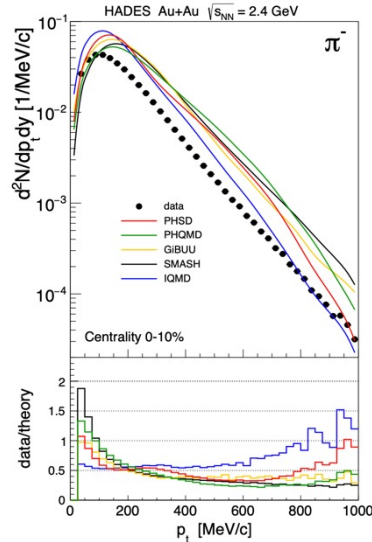
charged pions Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \text{ GeV}$

- ~ 1 pion per 10 baryons
- large phase-space coverage, high statistics
 $\leadsto$ multi-differential analyses

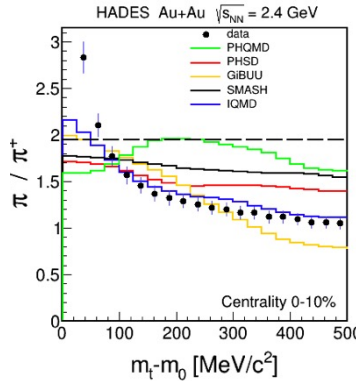
multiplicity



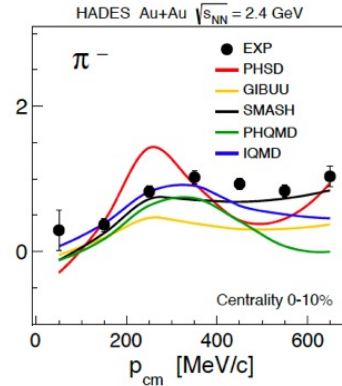
spectra



EM interaction



angular distribution

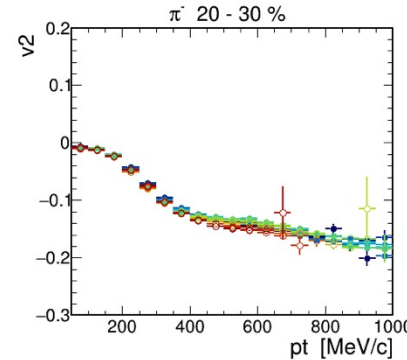


$$\frac{dN}{d(\cos\theta_{cm})} = C(1 + A_2 \cos^2\theta_{cm})$$

pion and proton "Temperatures" in HIC
 R. Stock et al., Phys.Rev.Lett 1984

azimuthal anisotropy

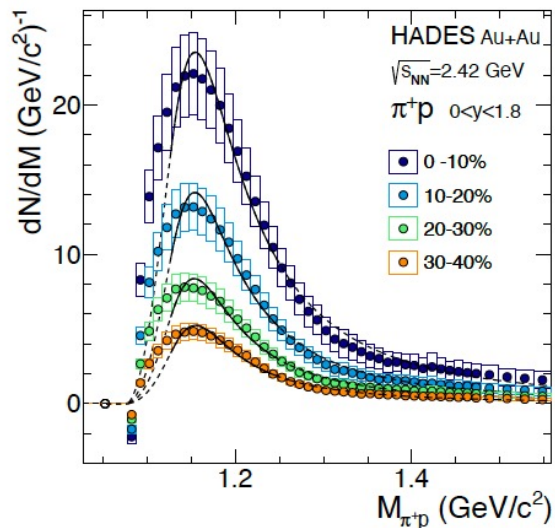
$v_n, n = 1 - 3$



- transport models consistently fail to describe the data [HADES] Eur.Phys.J.A 56 (2020) 10, 259
- main source of pions - baryonic resonances propagating in hot and dense fireball

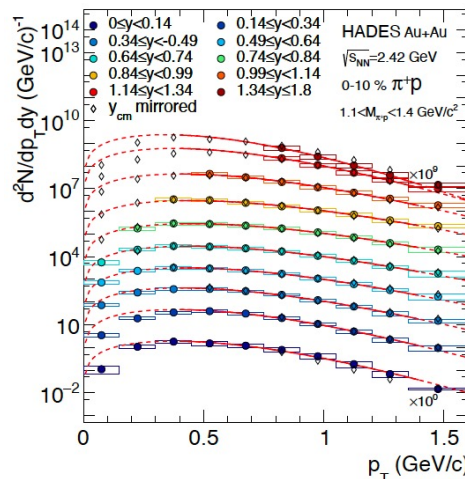
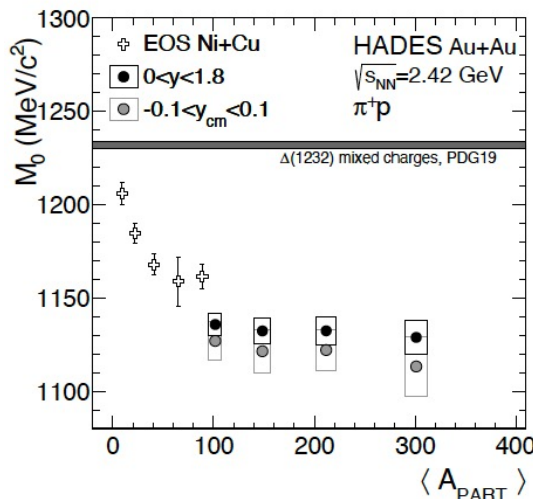
CORRELATED PION-PROTON PAIR EMISSION

π^+p and π^-p analysis



HADES, accepted by Phys.Lett. B

$$\sigma_{BW}(M_{\pi p}) = \frac{q^3}{q^3 + \mu^3} \frac{\sigma_0}{1 + 4[(M_{\pi p} - M_0)/\Gamma_0]^2}$$



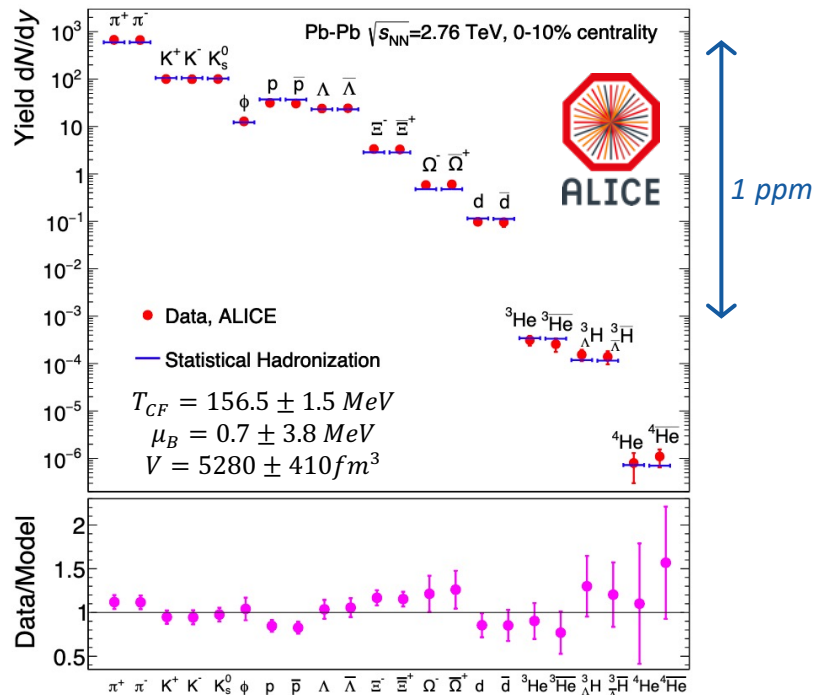
- high statistics allows multi-differential analysis
- understanding of “kinematical” mass shift with S-matrix formalism
- comparison to microscopic transport

UrQMD, T. Reichert et al., 2004.10539 [nucl-th];
Astron.Nachr. 340 (2019) 9-10, 1018-1022

Pok Man Lo, Eur. Phys.J. C77 (2017) no.8, 533
R. Dashen et al., Phys. Rev. 187 (1969) 345
R.Venugopalan et al., Nucl. Phys. A 546 (1992) 718
W. Weinhold, B. Friman, Phys. Lett. B 433 (1998) 236

ARE WE CREATING A THERMAL MEDIUM IN EXPERIMENTS?

hadron yields and Statistical Hadronization Model

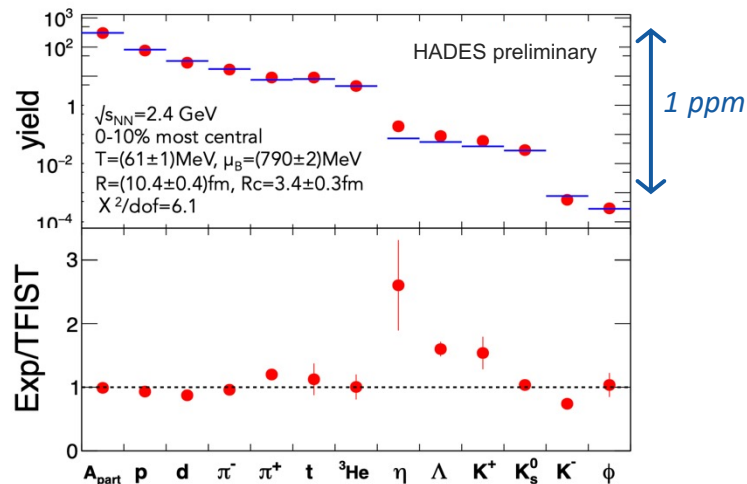


A. Andronic et al., Nature 561 (2018) no.7723

- Factor 1000 in beam energy / factor ~2 in temperature
- Hadron abundances described in framework of SHM
 - Strangeness canonical treatment at low beam energies
 - Include feed-down from ${}^4\text{He}$, ${}^4\text{H}$, ${}^4\text{Li}$

D. Hahn, H. Stöcker, Nucl.Phys.A 476 (1988) 718-772

E. Shuryak, J. M. Torres-Rincon Phys.Rev.C 101 (2020) 3, 034914

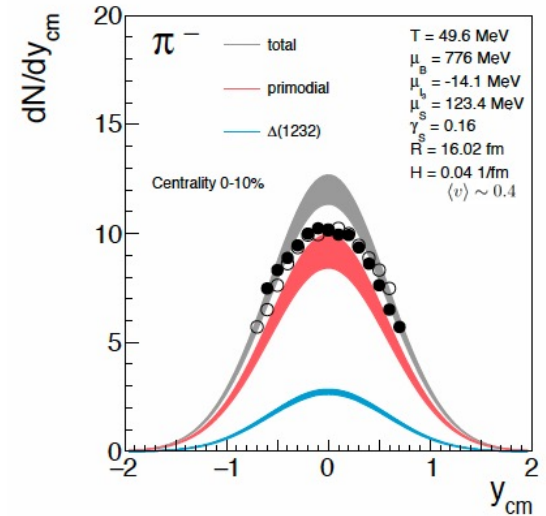
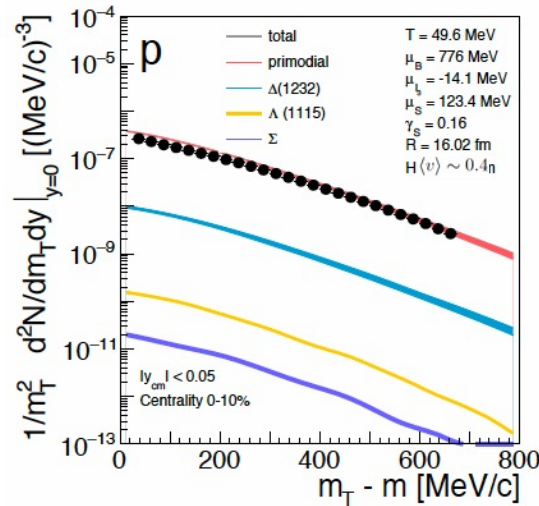
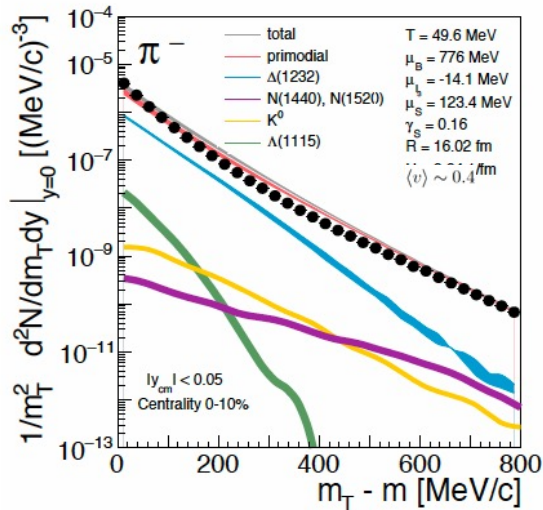


HUBBLE EXPANSION AND FREEZE-OUT AT SIS18

Therminator 2 : extension of the model to not boost invariant systems

- single (chemical and kinetic) freeze-out on a spherically symmetric hypersurface (Siemens-Rasmussen blast-wave model)
- Hubble-like expansion velocity profile $\beta = \tanh(Hr)$ [G. Inghirami *et al.*, arXiv:2106.04543\[nucl-th\]](#)
- Δ spectral function from πN phase shift [P.M. Lo *et al.*, PRC 96 \(2017\) 015207](#)

S. Harabasz *et al.*, PRC 102 (2020) 5, 054903

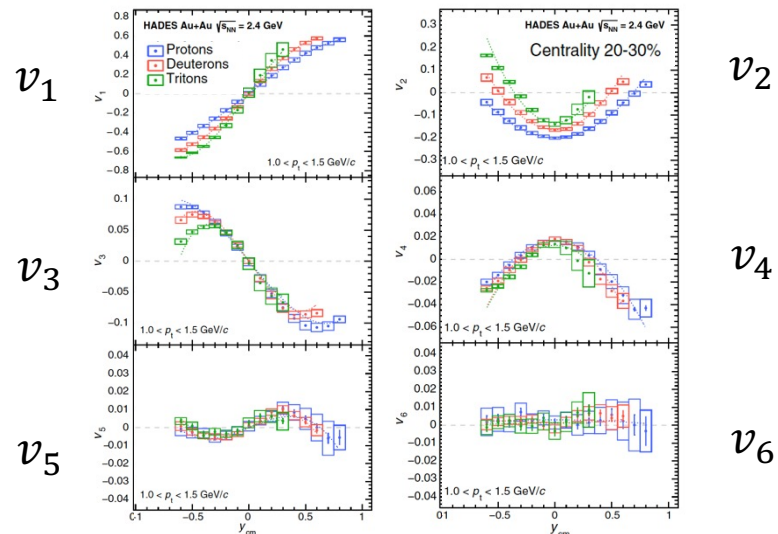


Good description of most abundant particles using a thermal model with only few simple assumptions!

AZIMUTHAL ANISOTROPY

protons and light nuclei

$v_n, n = 1 - 6$

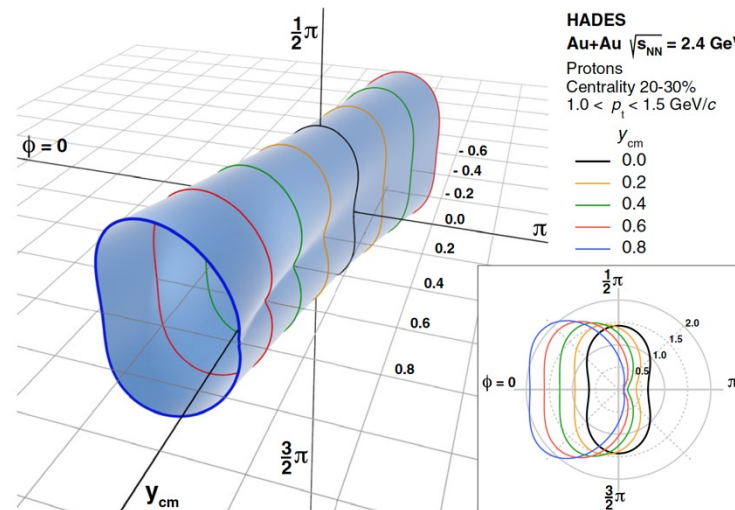


rapidity dependence
parameterized with

$$v_{1,3,5}(y_{cm}) = ay_{cm} + by_{cm}^3$$

$$v_{2,4,6}(y_{cm}) = c + dy_{cm}^2$$

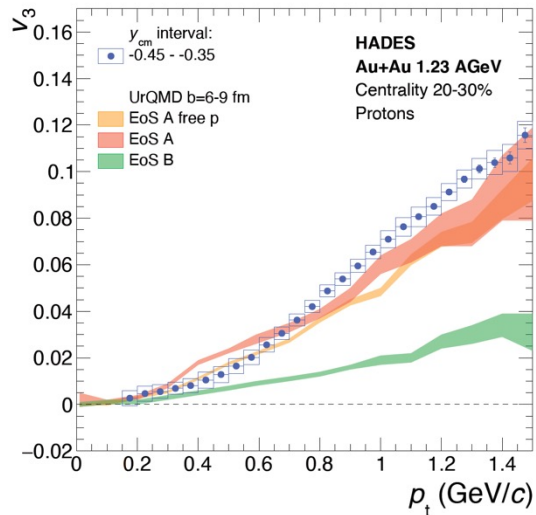
3D picture of the particle emission pattern
in momentum space



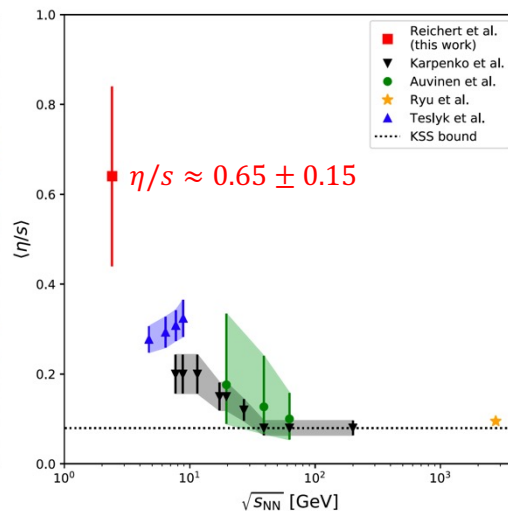
- mid-rapidity: almost elliptical shape
- forward/backward rapidity: triangular shape
~ interplay: central fireball pressure – interaction with spectator matter

SENSITIVITY TO THE EoS, TRANSPORT PROPERTIES

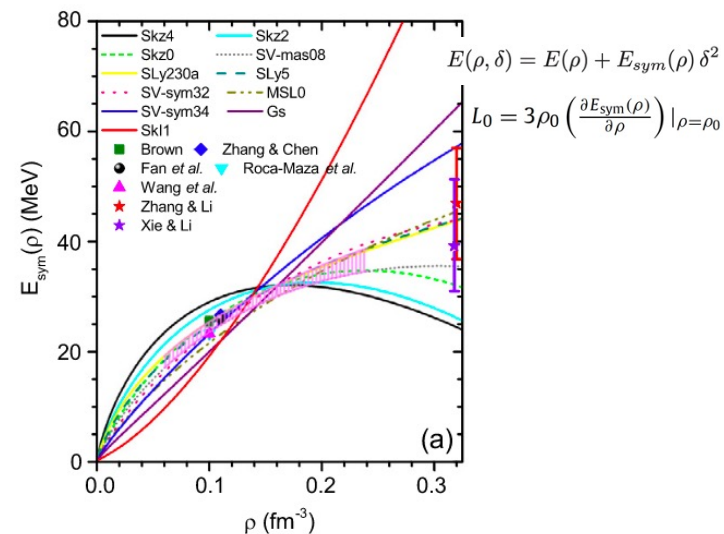
[HADES] Phys.Rev.Lett 125 (2020) 262301



T. Reichert et al., Phys.Lett.B 817 (2021) 136285



Y. Wang et al., Phys.Lett.B 802 (2020) 135249



high precision HADES data

- narrow uncertainty range of high-density EoS
- first time estimate of η/s of high-density matter
- scrutinize applicability of hydro at few GeV collision energy range

- density dependence of E_{sym} , L_0 is of a great importance and becomes a part of multi-messenger

- important, but very uncertain!

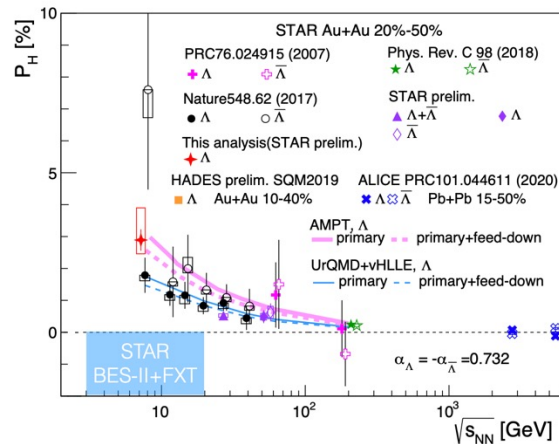
P. Danielewicz et al., Science 298 (2002) 1592-6

DO WE OBSERVE A MAXIMUM OF THE GLOBAL POLARIZATION AT SIS18 ENERGIES?

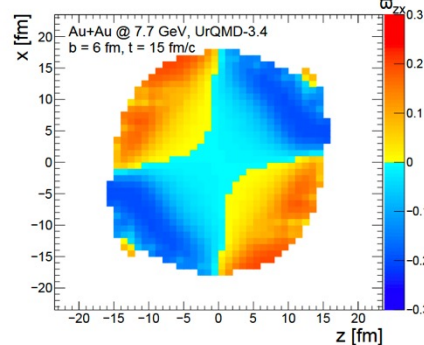
non-central heavy-ion collisions →
large orbital angular momenta →
vortical structure of the system?

global spin polarization of the particles

$$P_{\Lambda} = \frac{8}{\pi \alpha_{\Lambda}} \frac{\langle \sin(\Psi_{EP} - \phi_p^*) \rangle}{R_{EP}}$$

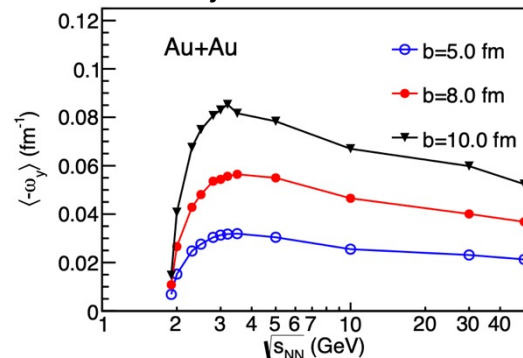


thermal vorticity in xz-plane



O. Vitiuk *et al.*, PLB803 (2020) 135298

maximum kinetic/thermal vorticity around 3 GeV



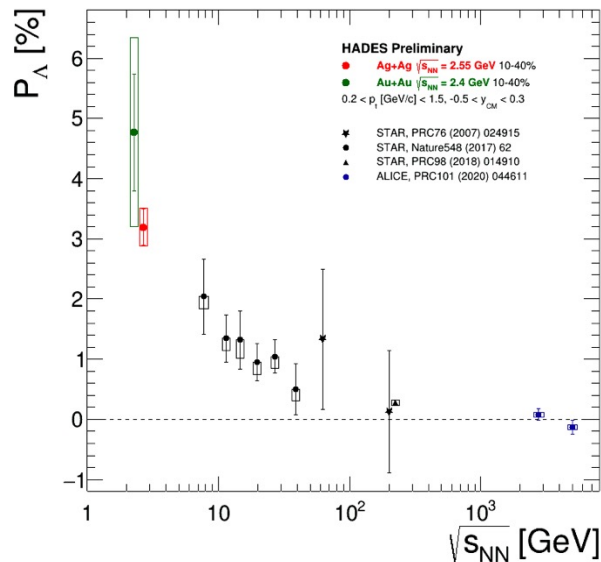
X.-G. Deng *et al.*, PRC101.064908 (2020)

increasing trend toward lower energies
in data and various models

I. Karpenko and F. Becattini, EPJC(2017)77:213, UrQMD+vHLL
H. Li *et al.*, PRC96, 054908 (2017), AMPT
Y. Sun and C.-M. Ko, PRC96, 024906 (2017), CKE
Y. Xie *et al.*, PRC95, 031901(R) (2017), PICR
Y. B. Ivanov *et al.*, PRC100, 014908 (2019), 3FD model

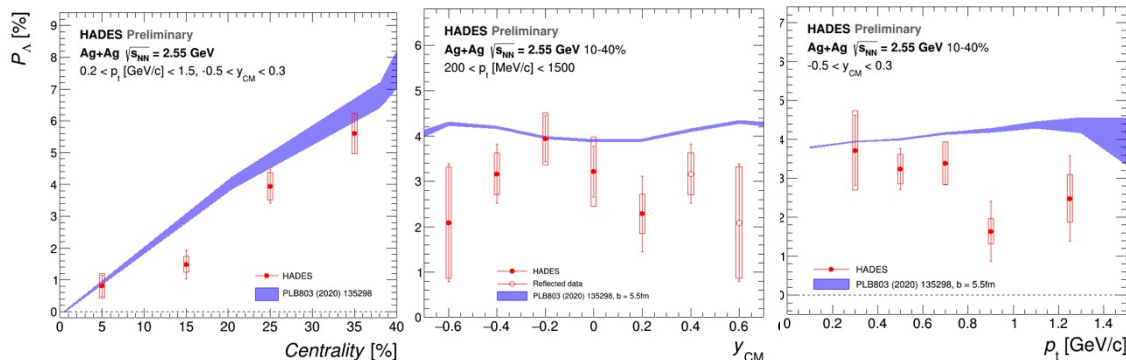
Λ POLARIZATION AT 2.4 Au+Au AND 2.55 Ag+Ag

P_Λ still shows the increasing trend from 7.7 GeV down to 2.4 GeV



P_Λ grows towards peripheral collisions (in line with expectations for larger orbital angular momentum)

within uncertainties no clear p_t and y dependence is observed

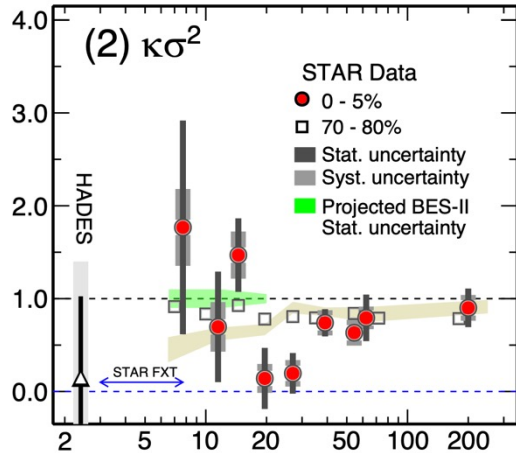


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Y.B.Ivanov: arXiv:2012.07597

- ☐ HADES data consistent with 3FD and CG UrQMD model calculations
- ☐ directed flow slope at midrapidity follows world data
- ☐ Ag+Ag vs Au+Au collisions: effect of the different system size?

CRITICAL FLUCTUATIONS

STAR, PRL 126 (2021) 092301



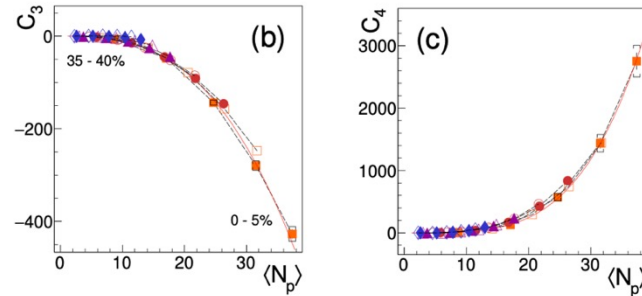
Ling, Stephanov, PRC 93, 034915 (2016)

Cumulants k_n hold information on multi-particle correlators C_n

Bzdak, Koch, Strodthoff, PRC 95, 054906 (2017)

Investigate C_n vs. $\langle N_p \rangle$ to isolate relevant physics, $C_n \propto \langle N_p \rangle^\alpha$

HADES, PRC102(2020) 2,024914



$$C_3 \propto \langle N_p \rangle^\alpha$$

$$\alpha = 2.84 \pm 0.05$$

$$C_4 \propto \langle N_p \rangle^\alpha$$

$$\alpha = 3.89 \pm 0.14$$

$\alpha \simeq n \rightarrow$ signature of multi-particle correlations ($\Delta y_{\text{corr}} > 1$)

Direct link to EoS $\frac{1}{VT^3} k_n = \frac{\partial^n \hat{p}}{\partial \hat{\mu}^n}$

$\hat{p} = \frac{p}{T^4}$ reduced pressure

$\hat{\mu} = \frac{\mu}{T}$ reduced chemical potential

- Stopping of nucleons may produce multi-particle “clusters”
- Quarkyonic matter?
- Remnants of nuclear liquid-gas phase transition?

Bzdak, Koch, Skokov, EPJC (2017) 288

Shuryak, Torres-Rincon Phys.Rev.C 101 (2020) 3, 034914

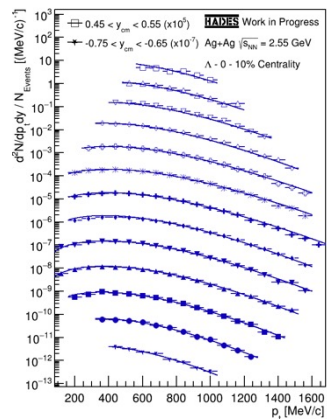
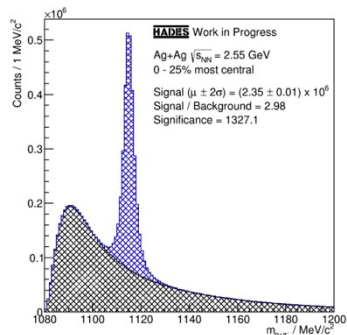
Kojo, Hidaka, McLerran, Pisarski, Nucl. Phys. A843 (2010), 37

R. Poberezhnyuk et al., Phys.Rev. C100 (2019) no.5, 054904

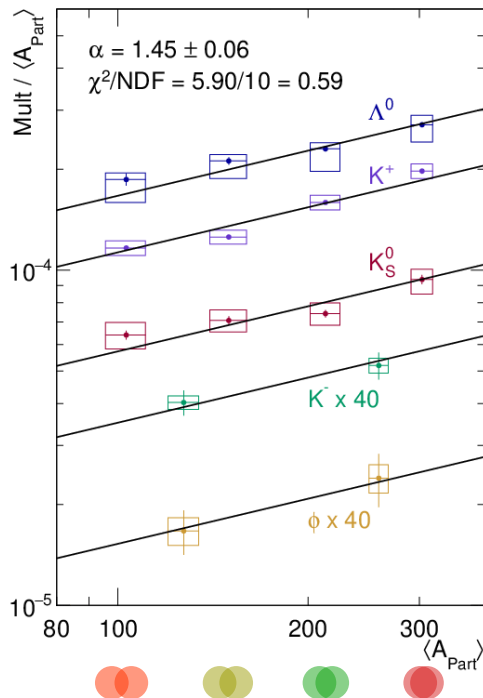
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M. Stephanov, Phys.Rev.Lett.107 (2011) 052301

SYSTEM WITH MULTI-PARTICLE CORRELATIONS

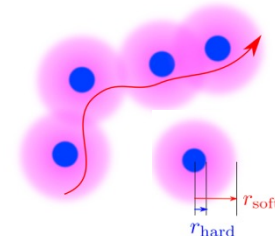


HADES, Phys.Lett.B 793 (2019) 457



- universal scaling with participant number $M \sim \langle A_{part} \rangle^\alpha$
 - Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \text{ GeV} : \alpha = 1.45 \pm 0.06$
 - Ag+Ag $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.55 \text{ GeV} : \alpha = 1.38 \pm 0.03$
- does not reflect the hierarchy of NN production thresholds
- not expected if strangeness produced in *isolated* NN collisions

**Scaling with absolute amount of strangeness
not with individual hadron states**



“Soft Deconfinement”

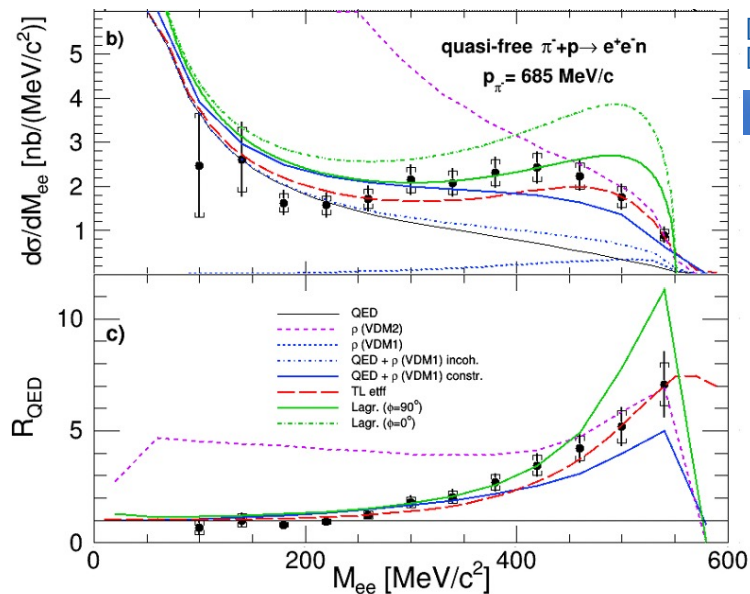
**percolation of the
interaction meson clouds**

Fukushima, Kojo, Weise,
Phys.Rev.D 102 (2020) 9, 096017

MESON CLOUD

exclusive analysis $\pi^- p \rightarrow e^+ e^- n$

HADES, in preparation



[HADES] Phys.Rev.C 102 (2020) 2, 024001

[HADES] Phys.Rev.C 95 (2017) 065205



4 first entries ($N\rho$)

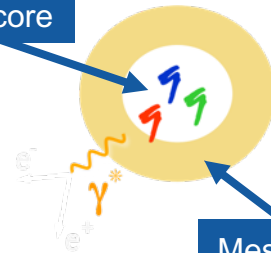
4 additional entries

first entry BR $\Delta \rightarrow p e^+ e^-$

- ☐ study the structure of the nucleon as an extended object (quark core and meson cloud)
- ☐ dominance of the $N^*(1520)$ resonance

Ramalho, Pena, Phys. Rev. D95 (2017) 014003
 Zetyenyi, Nitt, Buballa, Galatyuk, arXiv:2012.07546
 Speranza *et al.*, Phys.Lett. B764 (2017) 282

Quark core



Meson Cloud

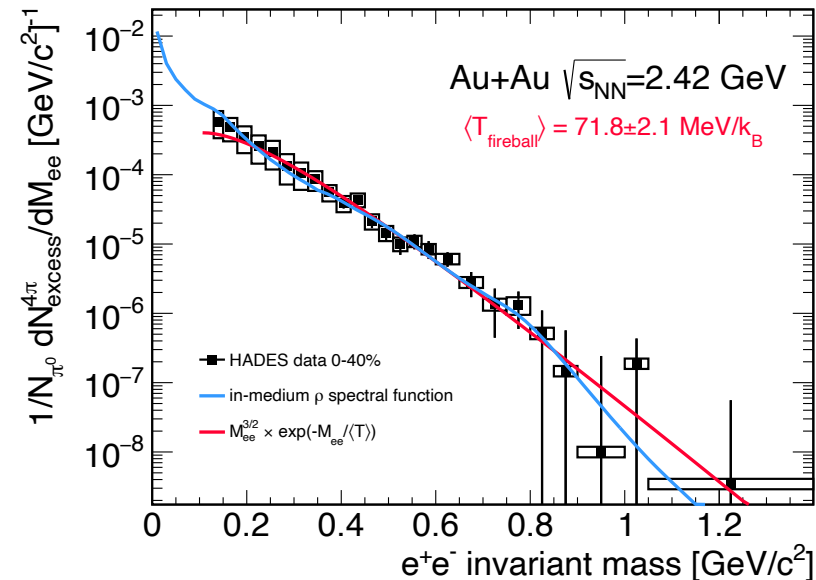
excitation of a baryon can be carried by the meson cloud

Vector Meson Dominance (the basis of emissivity calculations for QCD matter)

ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION

dilepton invariant mass $\leadsto$ unique direct access to in-medium spectral function

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CG GSI-Texas A&M: Eur. Phys. J. A, 52 5 (2016) 131
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 CG SMASH: Phys.Rev.C 98 (2018) 5, 054908

$$\frac{dN_{ll}}{d^4x d^4q} = -\frac{\alpha_{em}^2}{\pi^3 M^2} L(M^2) f^B(q \cdot u; T) \text{Im}\Pi_{em}(M, q; \mu_B, T)$$

McLerran - Toimela formula, Phys. Rev. D 31 (1985) 545

measured excess dilepton invariant-mass spectra
 (from SIS18-SPS-RHIC-LHC)

[STAR], Phys. Rev. Lett. 113 (2014) 2, 022301
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[NA60] EPJC 61(2009) 711
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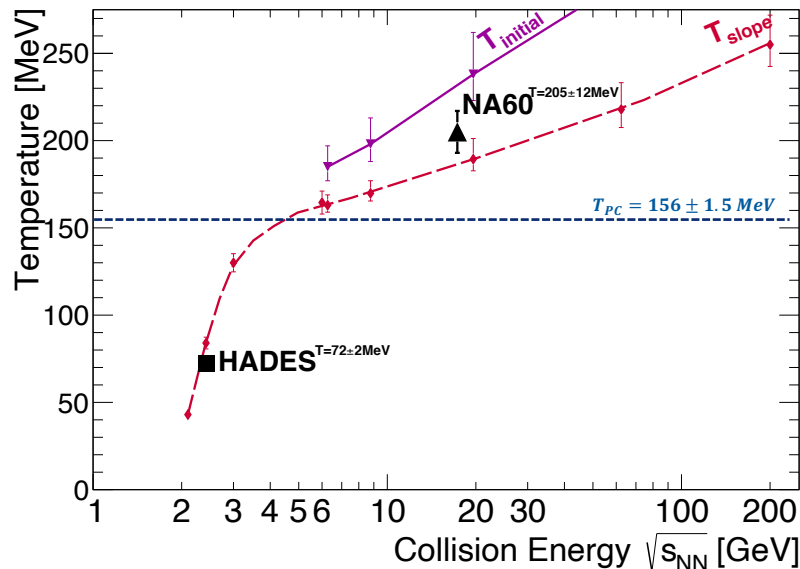
- strongly supports **melting of ρ**
- spectrum falls exponentially $\frac{dR_{ll}}{dM} \propto (MT)^{\frac{3}{2}} \exp(-\frac{M}{T})$
- thermometer: independent of flow, no blue shift!

Rapp, Wambach, Eur.Phys.J. A6 (1999) 415-420 (1999)

MAPPING QCD CALORIC CURVE (T VS ϵ)

Rapp and v. Hess, PLB 753 (2016) 586

TG *et al.*: EPJA 52 (2016) 131



[NA60] Chiral 2010, AIP Conf.Proc. 1322 (2010)

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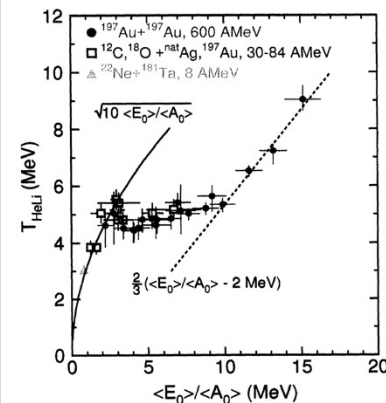
□ Signature for phase transition?

→ **phase transition may show up as a plateau!**

→ future high statistics experiments,
future opportunity for STAR FXT 3 GeV (2 billion events)

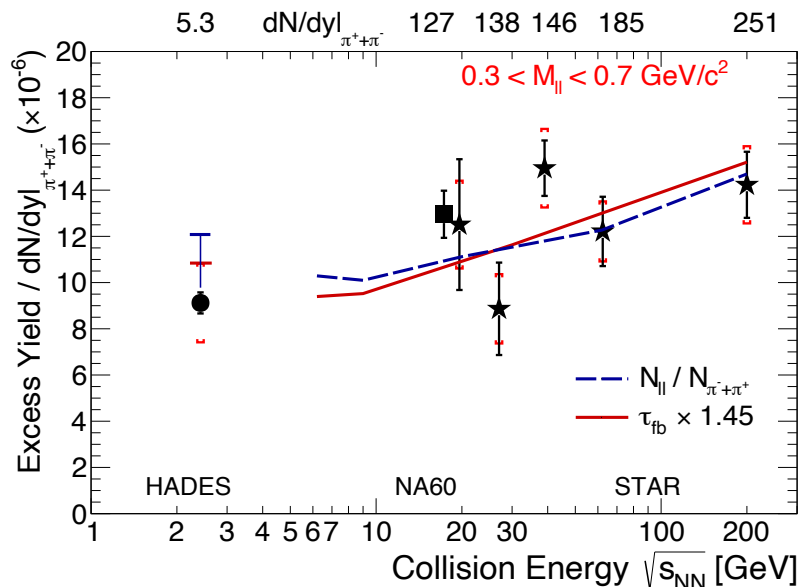
**Nuclear liquid-gas
phase transition**

Pochodzalla *et al.*,
PRL 75 (1995) 1040



DILEPTONS AS A CHRONOMETER

TG., JPS Conf.Proc. 32 (2020) 010079



opportunity for STAR FXT 3 GeV

- Integrated low-mass radiation
 $0.3 < M < 0.7 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ tracks the fireball lifetime

Heinz and Lee, PLB 259, 162 (1991)

Barz, Friman, Knoll and Schulz, PLB 254, 315 (1991)

Rapp, van Hees, PLB 753 (2016) 586

- Signature for phase transition (and critical point)?
 $\leadsto$ latent heat $\leadsto$ longer life time $\leadsto$ extra radiation

Seck, TG, Mukherjee, Rapp, Steinheimer, Stroth, arXiv:2010.04614 [nucl-th]

Tripolt, Jung, Tanji, v. Smekal, Wambach, Nucl. Phys. A982 (2019) 775

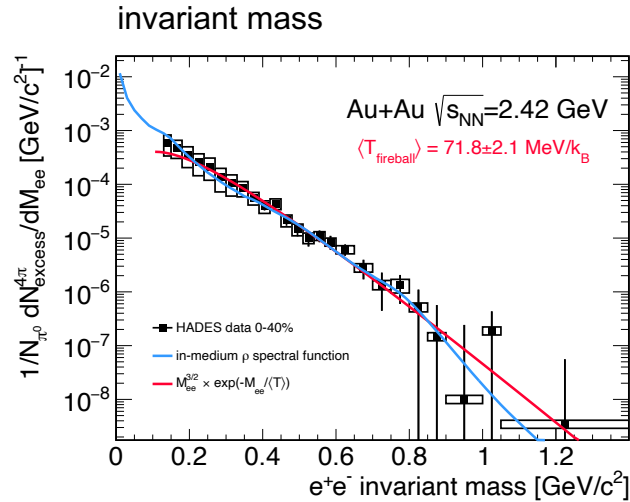
Li and Ko, Phys. Rev. C 95 (2017) no.5, 055203

THERMAL DILEPTONS AT SIS18

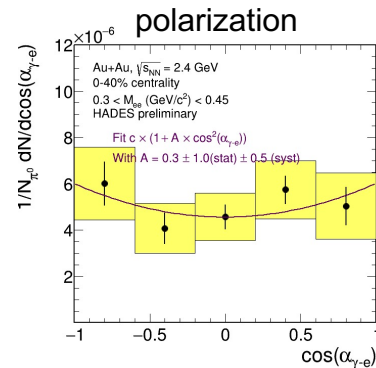
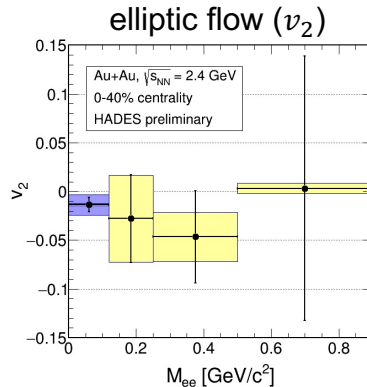
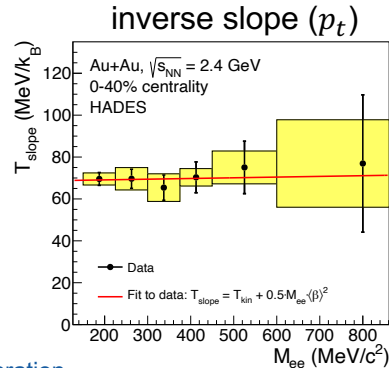
What have we learnt from excess radiation Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.4$ GeV?

Radiation from a source

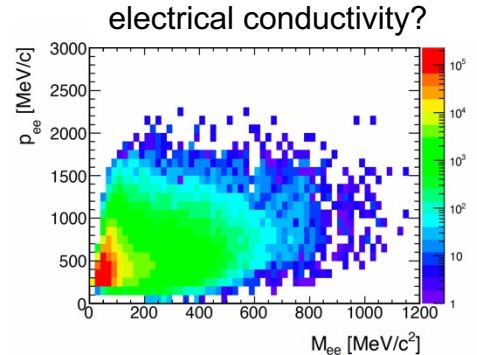
- long-lived ($\tau \approx 13$ fm)
- in local thermal equilibrium
- $\langle T \rangle \approx 72$ MeV
- $\rho = 2 - 3 \rho_0$



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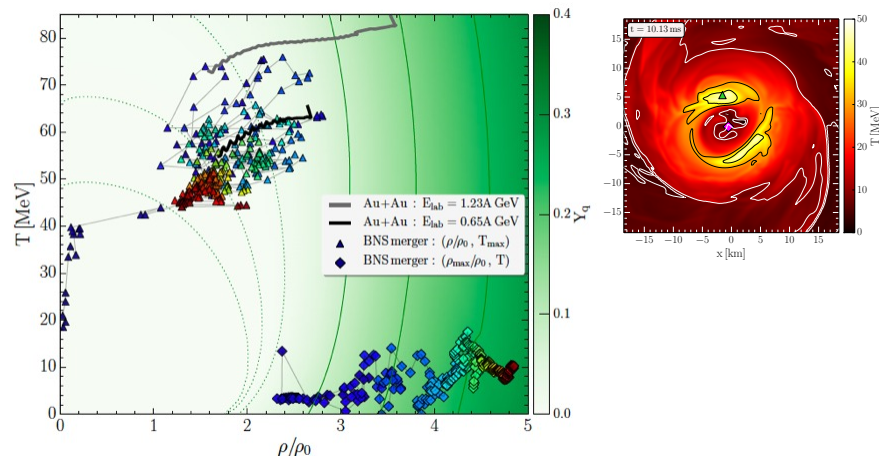


$$\sigma_{el} = \lim_{p_0 \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta}{\delta p_0} \text{Im} \Pi_{em}(p_0, |\vec{p}| = 0)$$

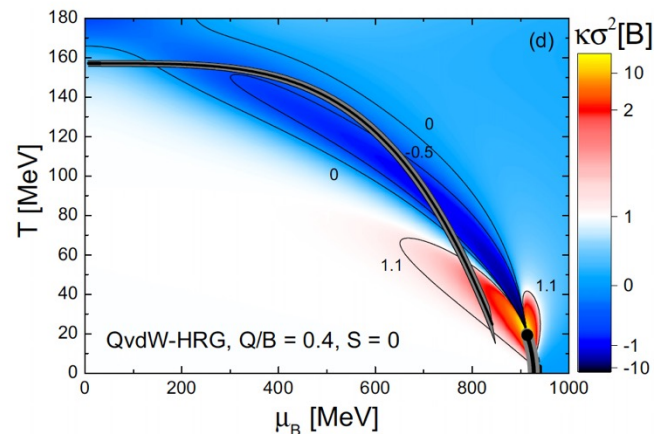


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WHY MEASURING Au+Au AT EVEN LOWER ENERGIES?



Hanuske *et al.*, Particles 2 (2019) no.1
 Rezzolla *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 122 (2019) no. 6, 061101



R. Poberezhnyuk *et al.*, Phys.Rev. C100 (2019) no.5, 054904

- Laboratory studies of the matter properties (EoS) in compact stellar objects (neutron star mergers)

- What are the measurable consequences of phase transition and critical point in the QCD phase diagram?

→ strong connections between the fields

RÉSUMÉ AND PROSPECTS

Encouraging prospects for studying baryon dominated QCD matter with HADES

- Results from Au+Au collisions suggest a thermalized strongly interacting medium created at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \text{ GeV}$
 - Thermal models fit yield and spectra
 - Data sensitive to the EoS
 - Thermal origin of dilepton excess spectrum
 - System with multi-particle correlations
- Complementary program on exclusive measurements in π , p induced reactions
- Strong scientific program for FAIR Phase 0
- ... and for FAIR Phase 1

[movie FAIR status Apr 2020](#)



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