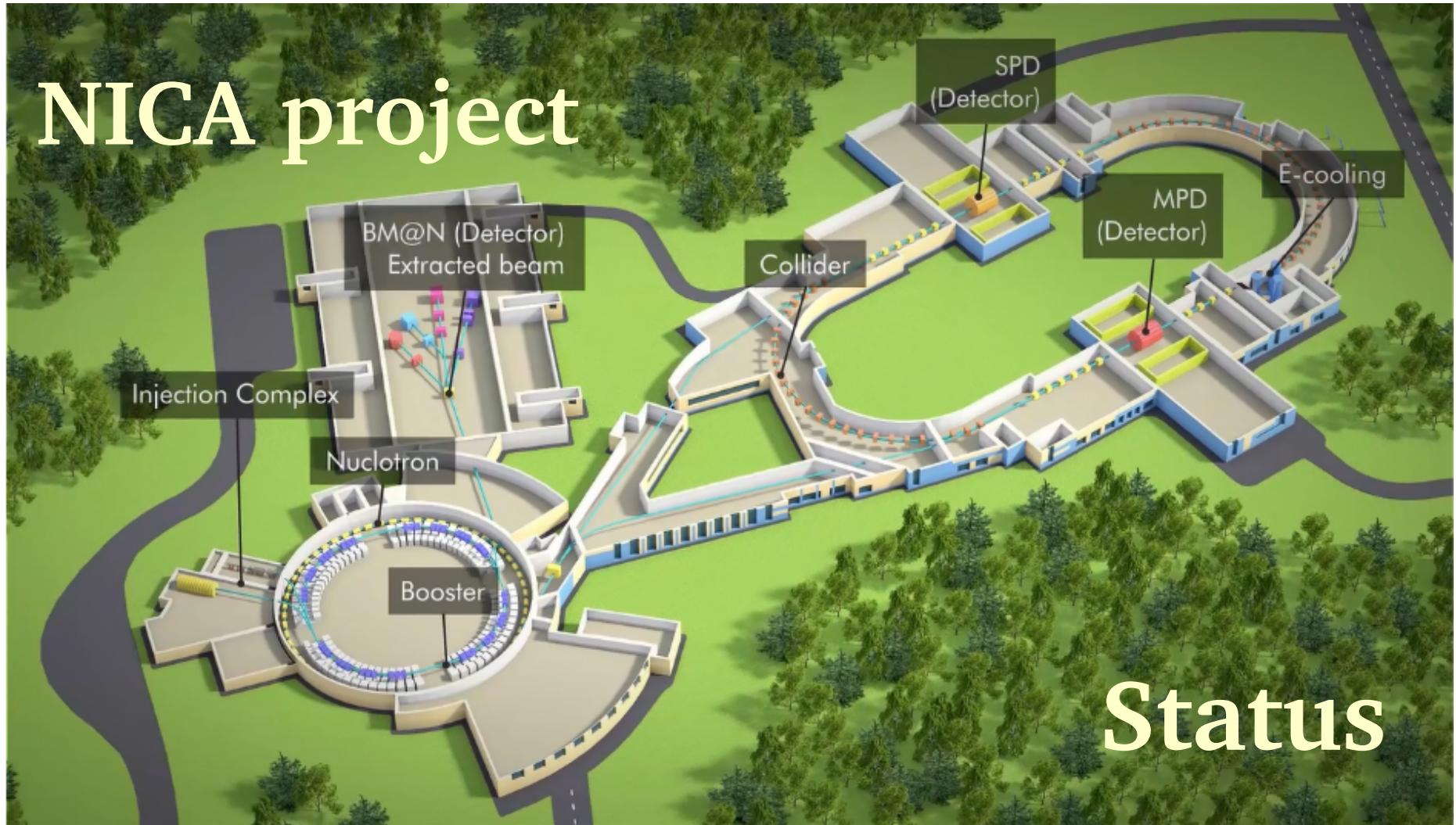




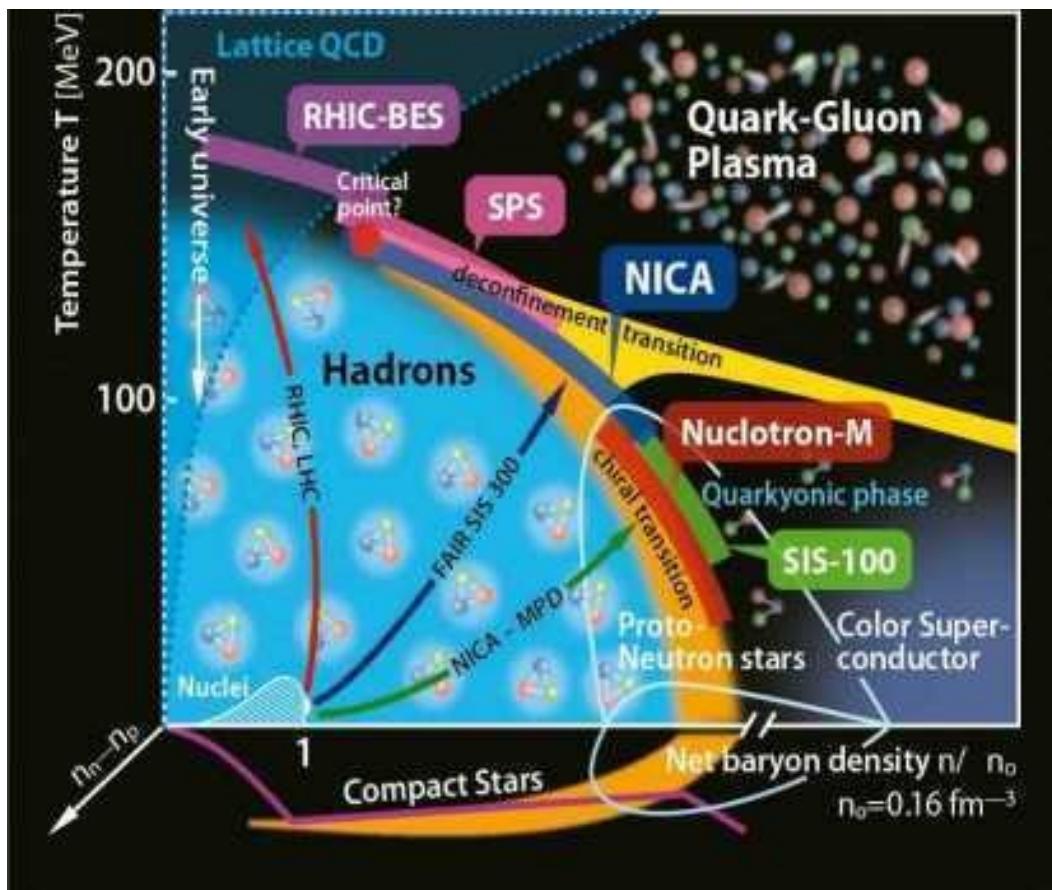
NICA project



ROGACHEVSKY Oleg
• *for MPD collaboration*

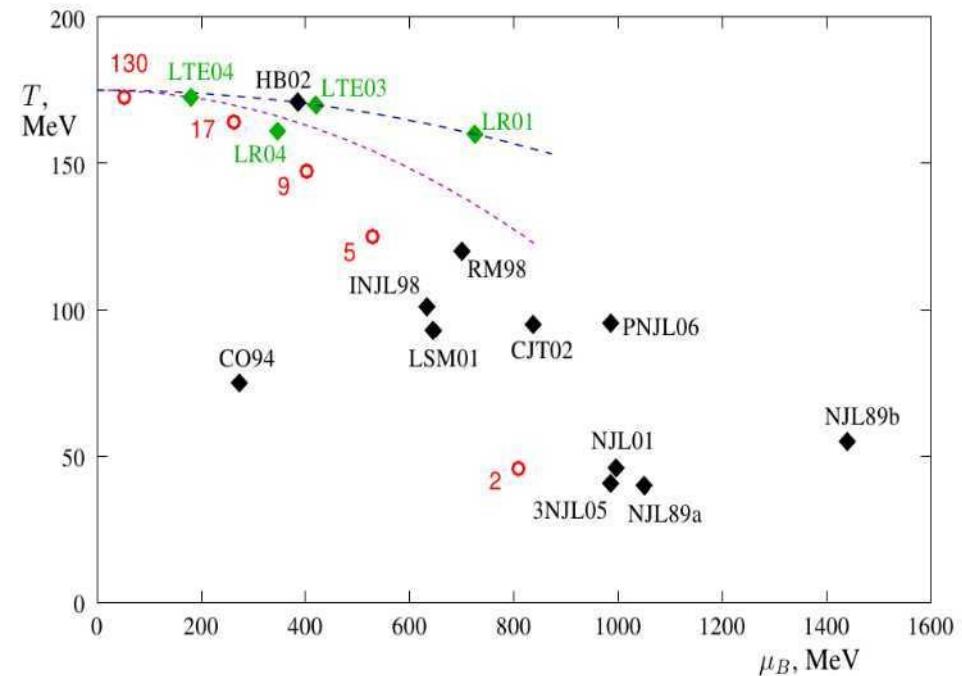
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QCD phase diagram



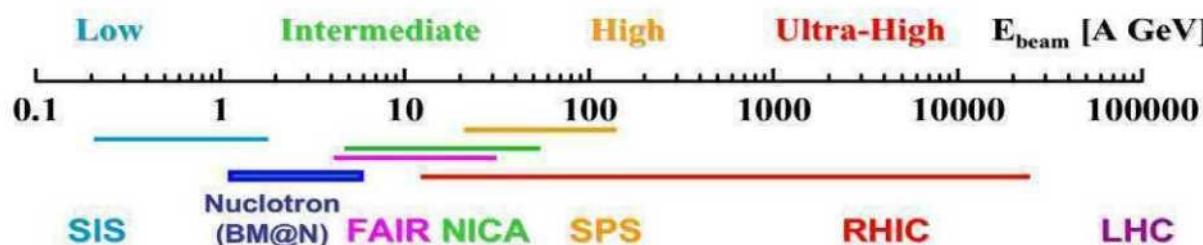
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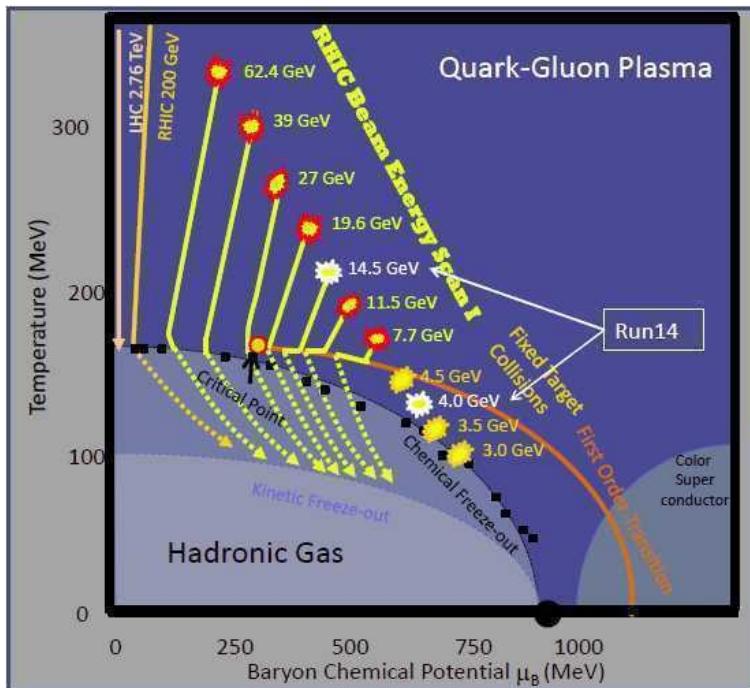
Recent & future experiments for Heavy Ion Collisions

Facility	SPS	RHIC BES II	Nuclotron- M	NICA	SIS/100 (300)	LHC
Laboratory	CERN Geneva	BNL Brookhaven	JINR Dubna	JINR Dubna	FAIR GSI Darmstadt	CERN Geneva
Experiment	NA61 SHINE	STAR PHENIX	BM@N	MPD	HADES CBM	ALICE ATLAS CMS
Start of data taking	2011	2010	2015	2020	2025	2009
\sqrt{s}_{NN} GeV	4.9 – 17.3	7.7 – 200	< 3.5	4 - 11	2.3 – 4.5	up to 5500
Physics	CP & OD	CP & OD	HDM	OD & HDM	OD & CP	PDM

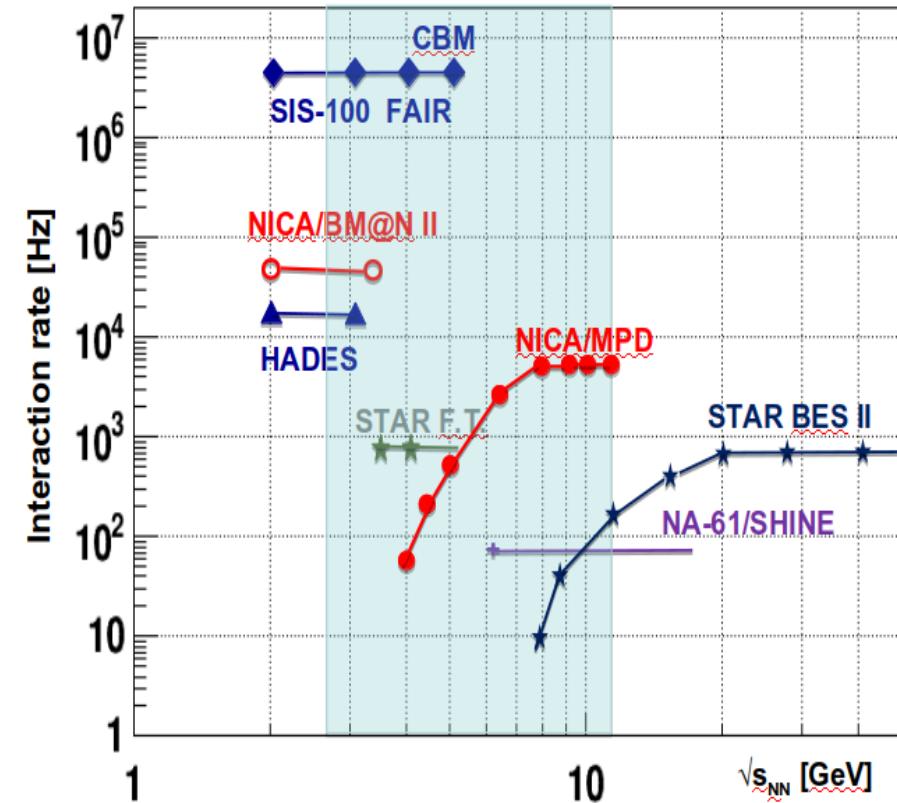


CP — critical point
 OD — onset of deconfinement,
 mixed phase, 1st order phase transition
 HDM — hadrons in dense matter
 PDM — properties of deconfined matter

STAR BEC II & NICA

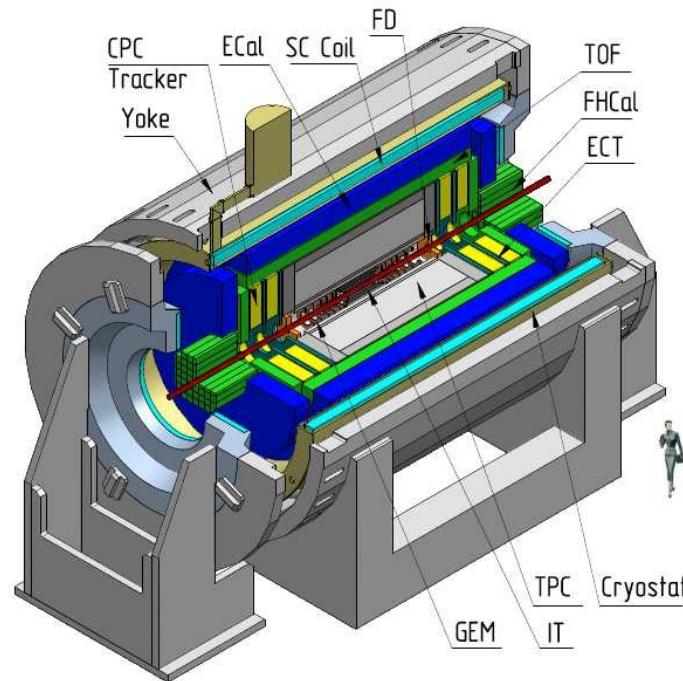


\sqrt{s}_{NN} (GeV)	μ_B (MeV)	Needed Events (10^6)
7.7	420	100
9.1	370	160
11.5	315	230
14.5	260	300
19.6	205	400



2019	Au+Au @ 14.5-20 GeV + fixed target	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QCD critical point • Phase transition • CME, CVE,... 	Full iTPC, eTOF, and EPD
2020	Au+Au @ 7-11 GeV + fixed target	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QCD critical point • Phase transition • CME, CVE,... 	

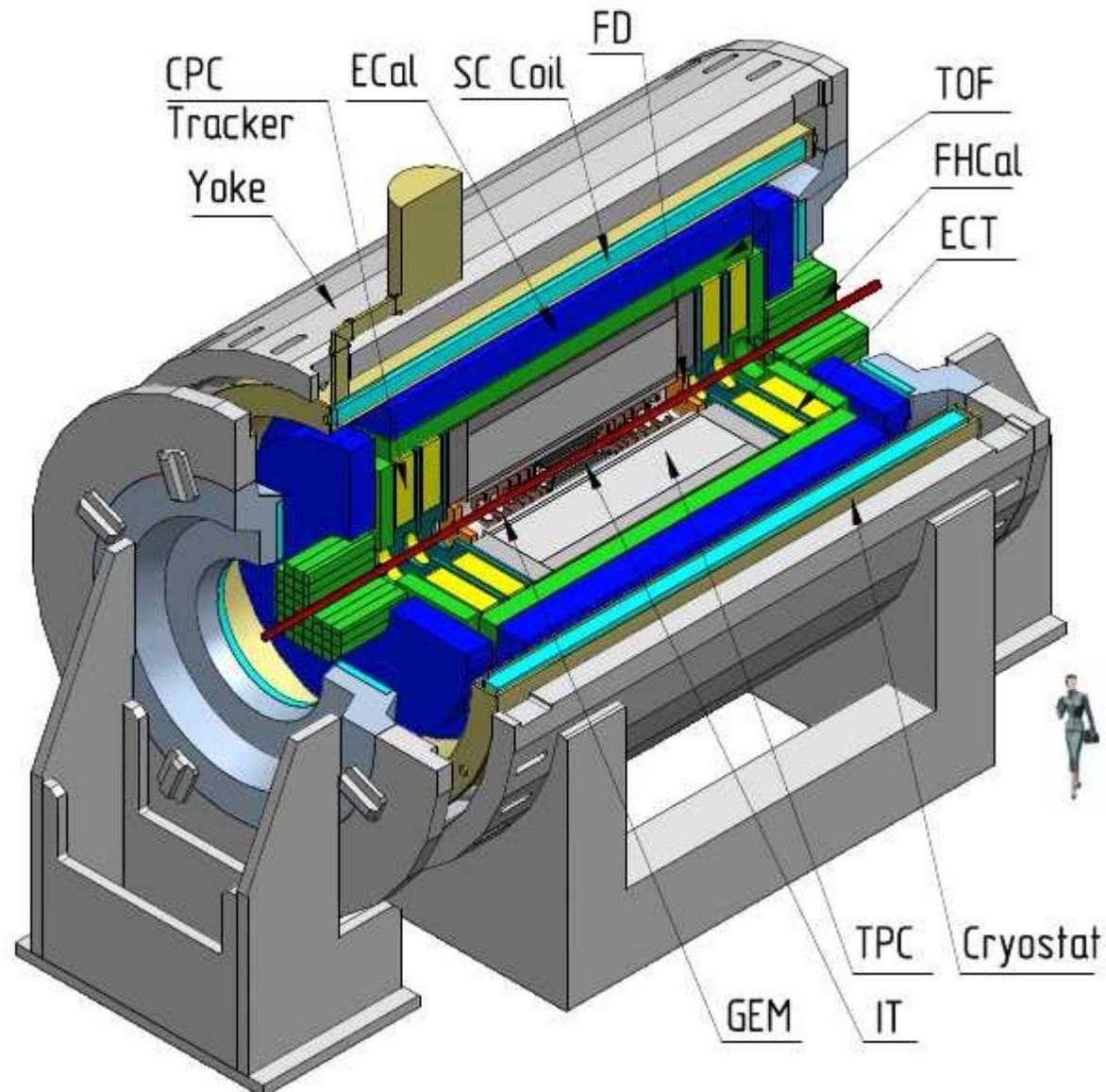
MPD collaboration - 2018



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USTC, Hefei, China;
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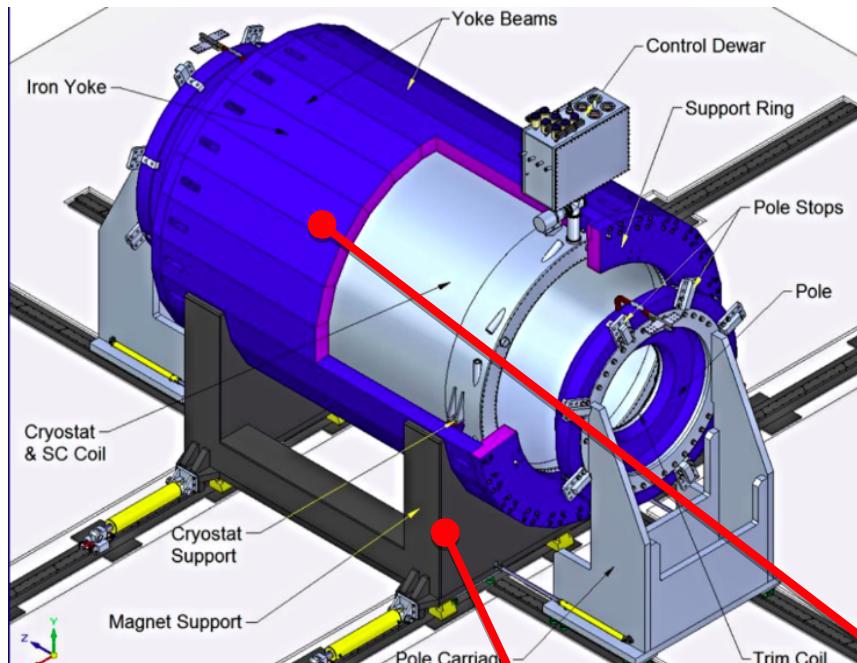
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Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel;
Joint Institute for Nuclear Research;
IPT, Almaty, Kazakhstan;
UNAM, Mexico City, Mexico;
Institute of Applied Physics, Chisinev, Moldova;
WUT, Warsaw, Poland;
NCN, Otwock – Swierk, Poland;
UW, Wroclaw, Poland;
Jan Kochanowski University, Kielce, Poland;
INR RAS, Moscow, Russia;
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PNPI, Gatchina, Russia;
INP MSU, Moscow, Russia;
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MPD detectors status

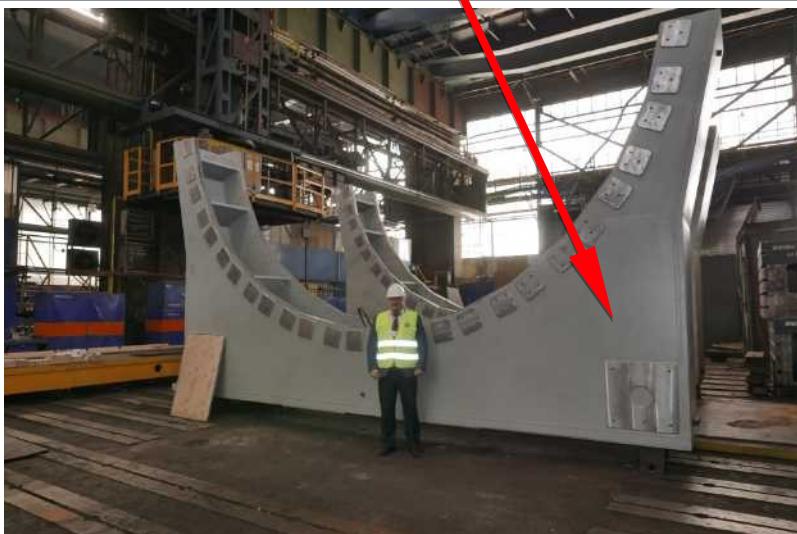


Magnet yoke (vitkovice HM)

final assembly in the MPD hall - June 2019

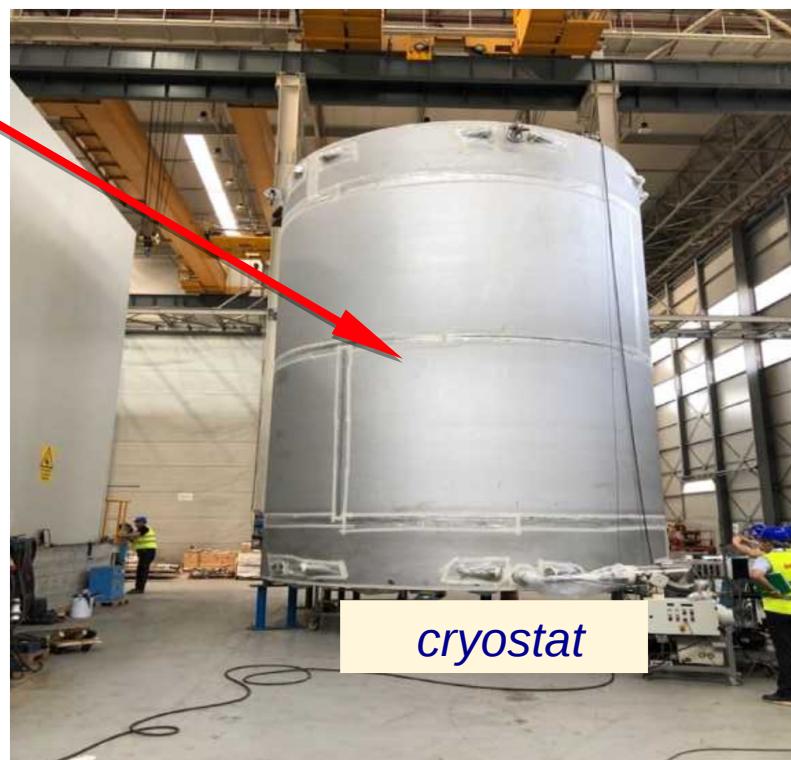
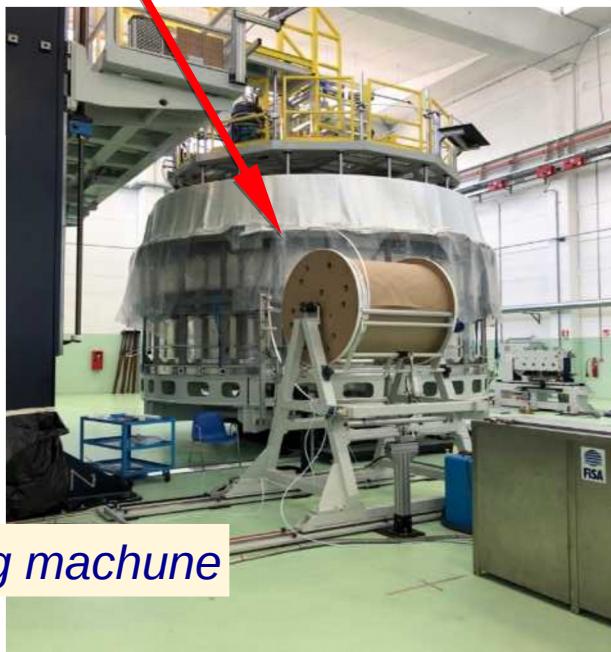
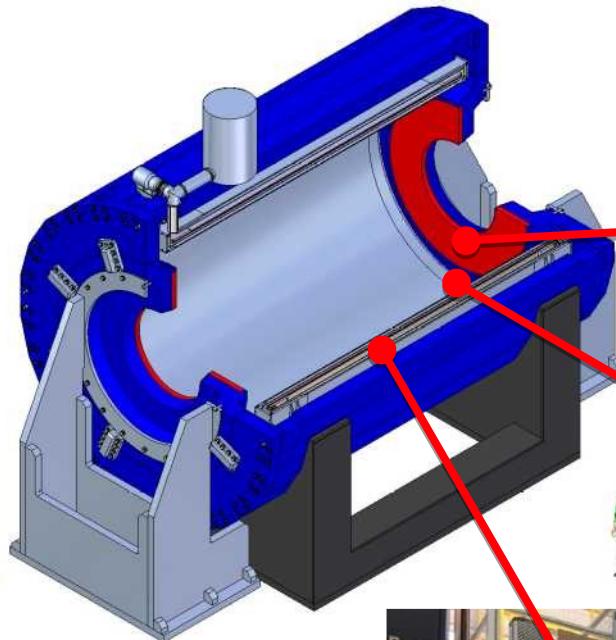


yoke control assembly at HM Vitkovice



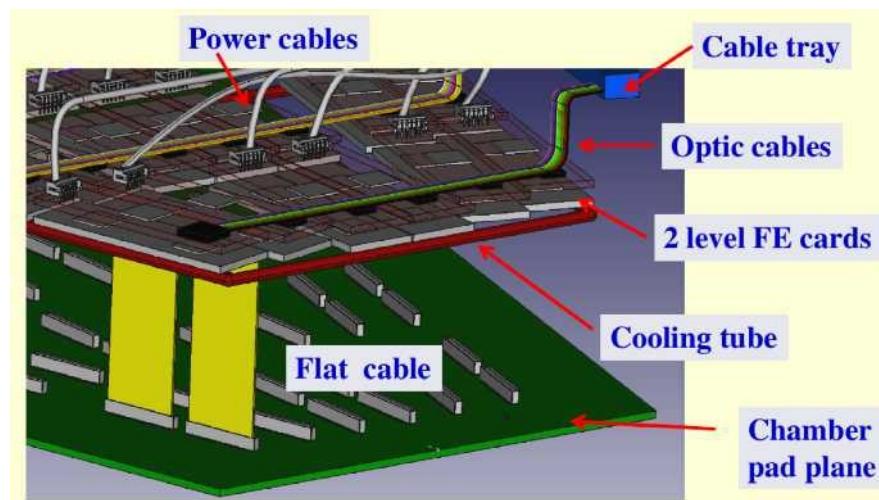
Coil winding & cryostat (ASG Genove)

final assembly in the MPD hall - June 2019



Time Projection Chamber

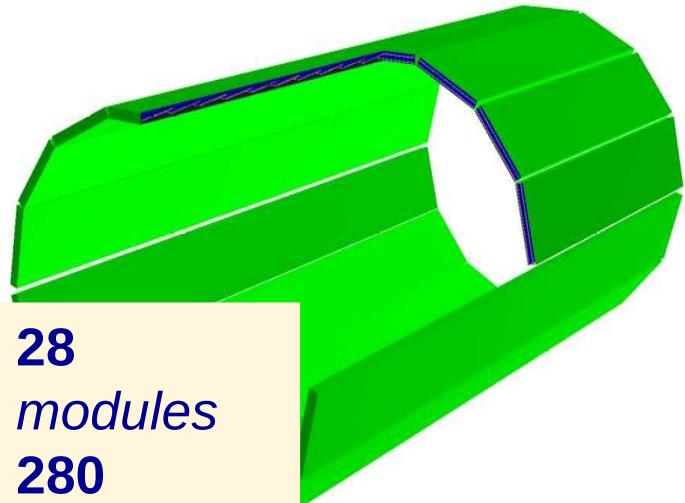
TPC gas system commisioned



manipulator for ROC chamber installation

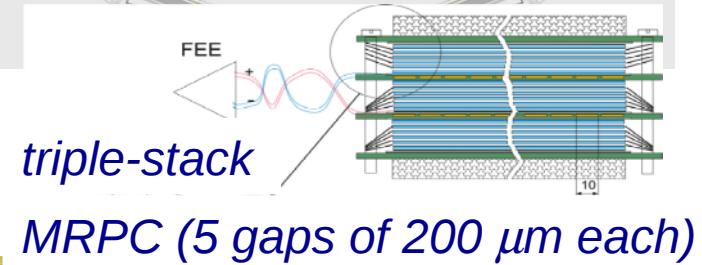
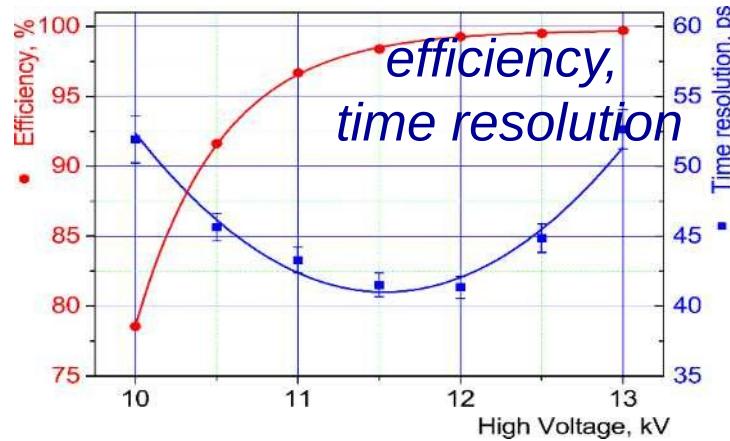
ROC
chamber +
electronics
integration
concept

Time Of Flight detector

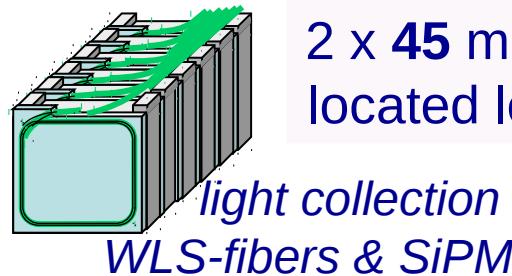
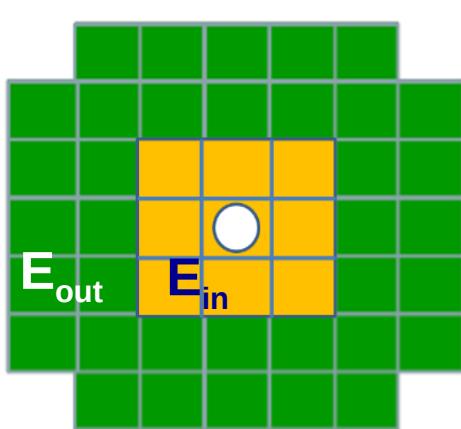


28
modules
280
MPRC's
13 440 ch.

basic electronics -
NINO & HPTDC



FHCAL: reaction plane and centrality



2 x 45 modules ($15 \times 15 \text{ cm}^2$ each)
located left and right at $\sim 3.2 \text{ m}$ from the IP)

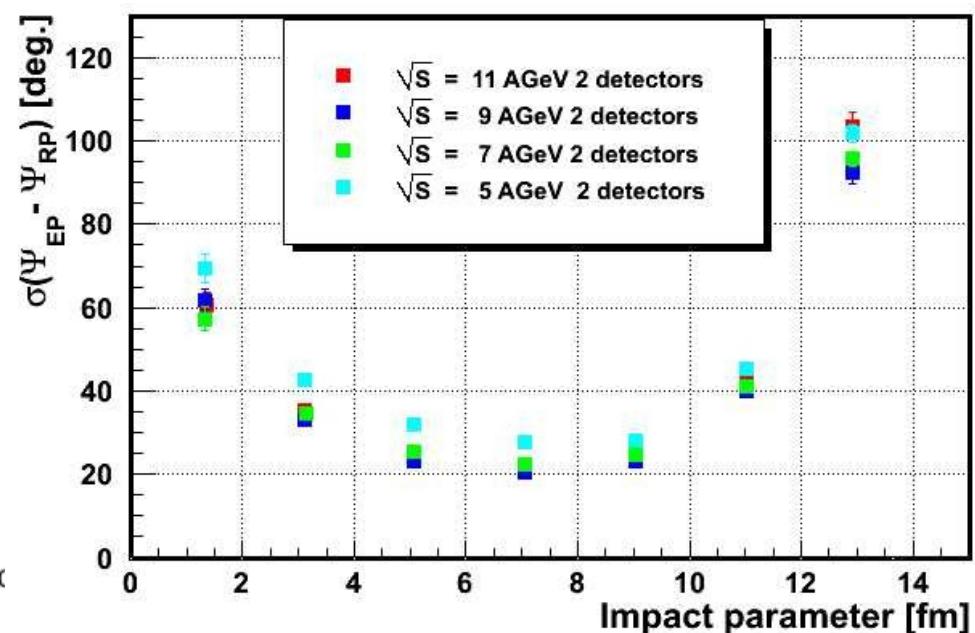
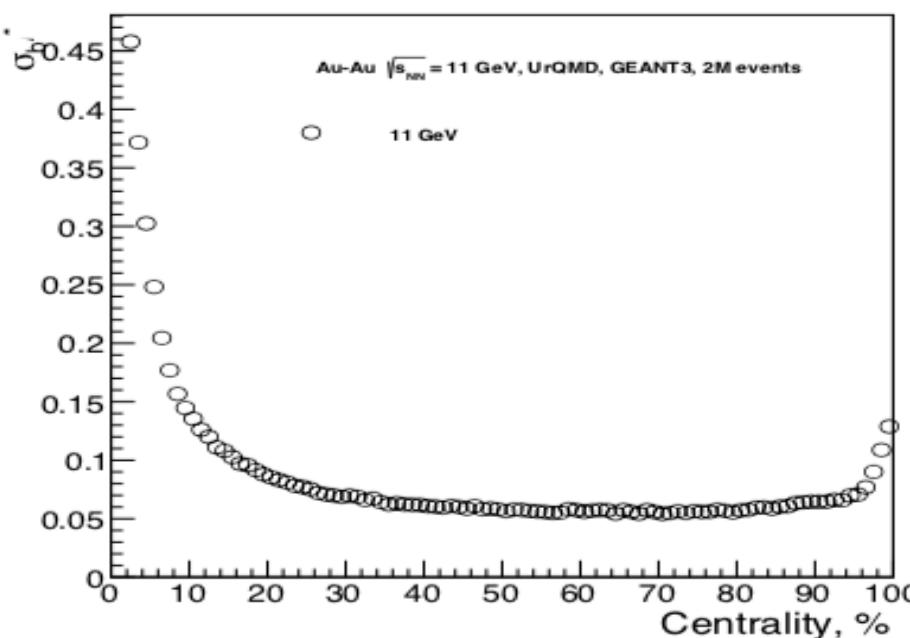
acceptance: $2.2 < |\eta| < 4.8$

$$\sigma(E)/(E) = 53\%/\sqrt{E(\text{GeV})} + 10\%$$

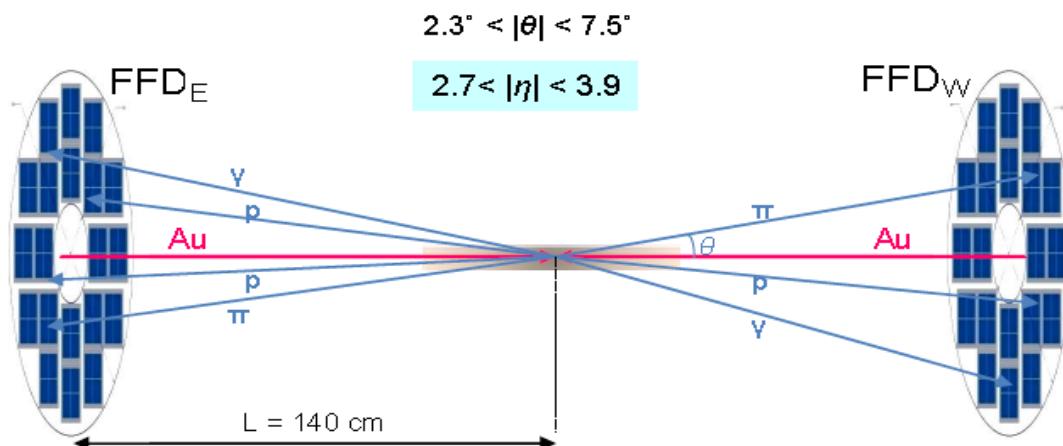
transverse granularity allows to measure:

- the reaction plane with accuracy $\sim 20^\circ\text{-}30^\circ$
- the centrality with accuracy below 10%.

σ_h/b

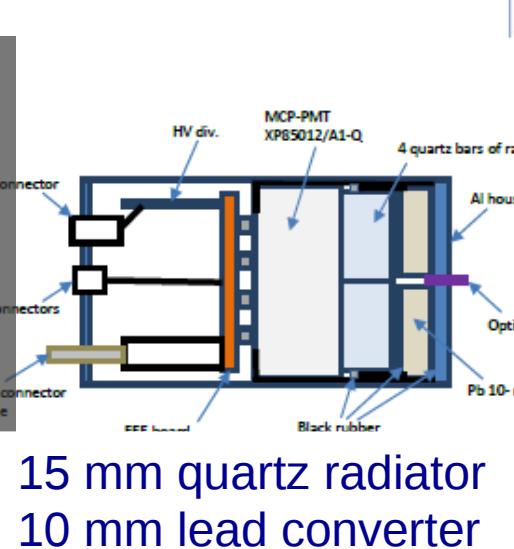
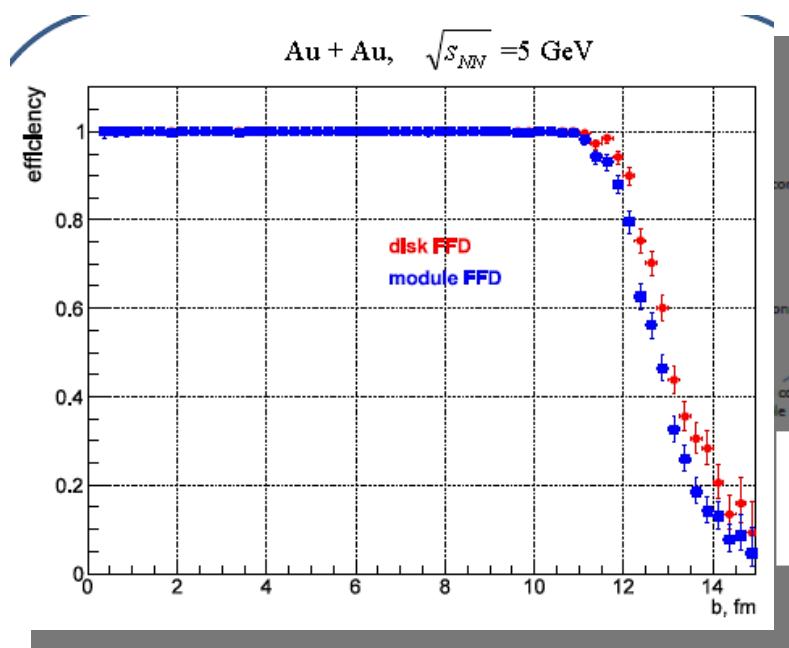
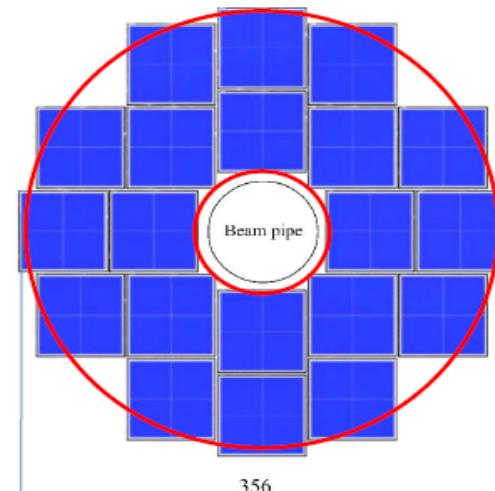


Fast forward detector

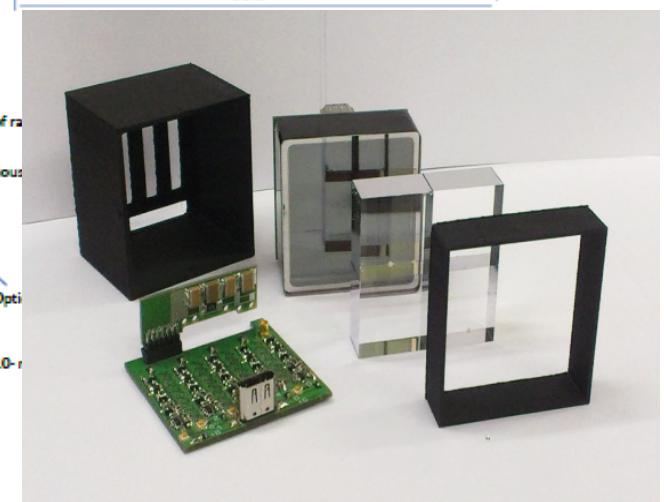


time resolution < 50 ps

*array of 20 modules
Planacon MCP-PMTs
80 +20 channels*

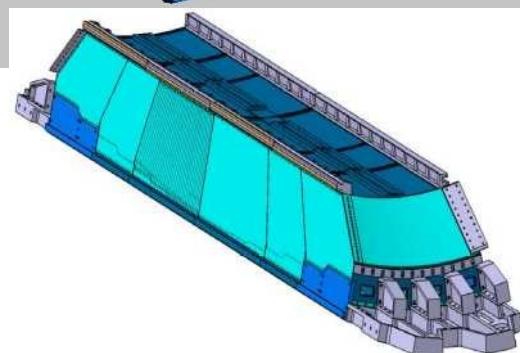
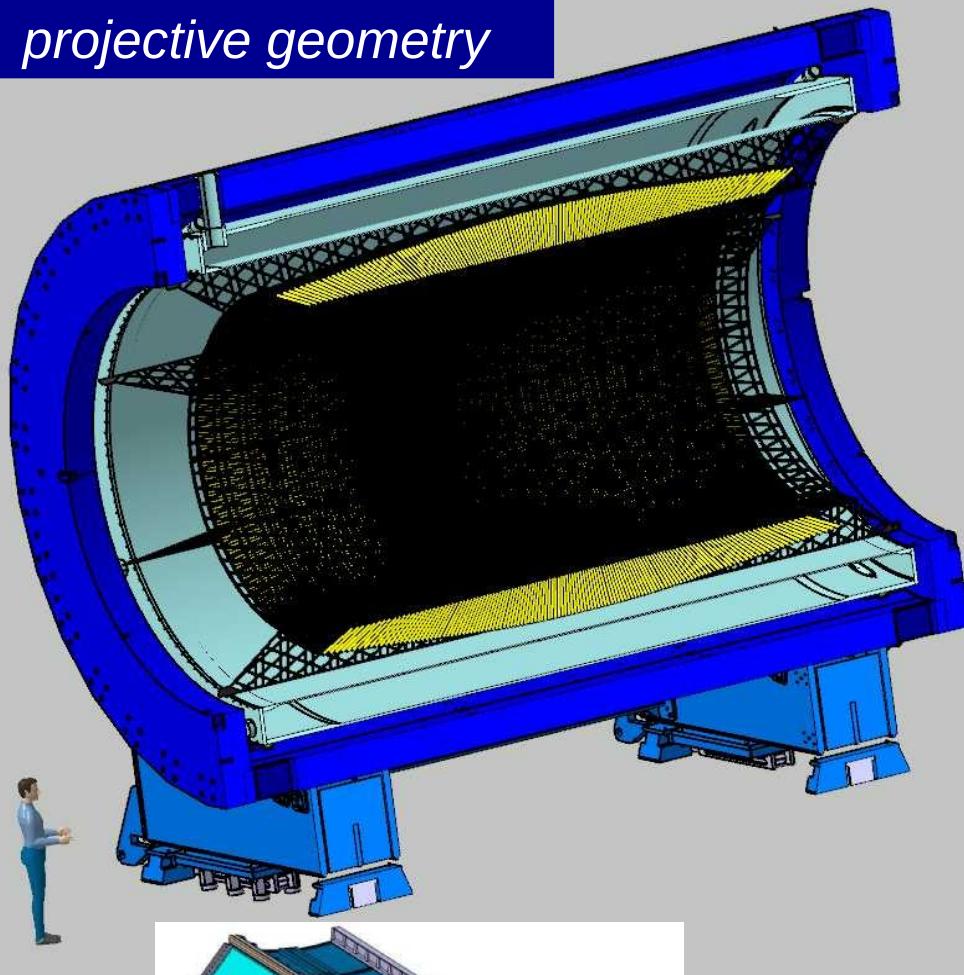


15 mm quartz radiator
10 mm lead converter



Electromagnetic calorimeter

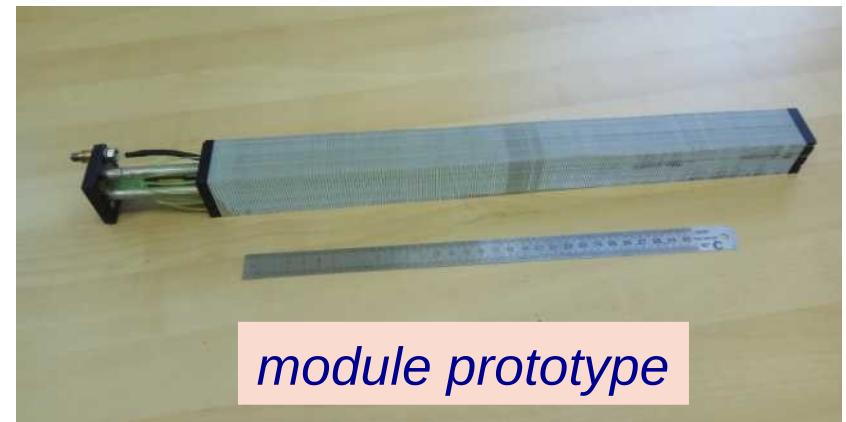
projective geometry



block of modules

Barrel ECAL ~ 43 000 modules

- ❖ Pb+Sc “Shashlyk”
- ❖ read-out: WLS fibers + MAPD
- ❖ $L \sim 35 \text{ cm} (\sim 14 X_0)$
- ❖ Segmentation ($4 \times 4 \text{ cm}^2$),
- ❖ $\sigma(E)$ better than 5% @ 1 GeV;
- ❖ time resolution $\sim 500 \text{ ps}$

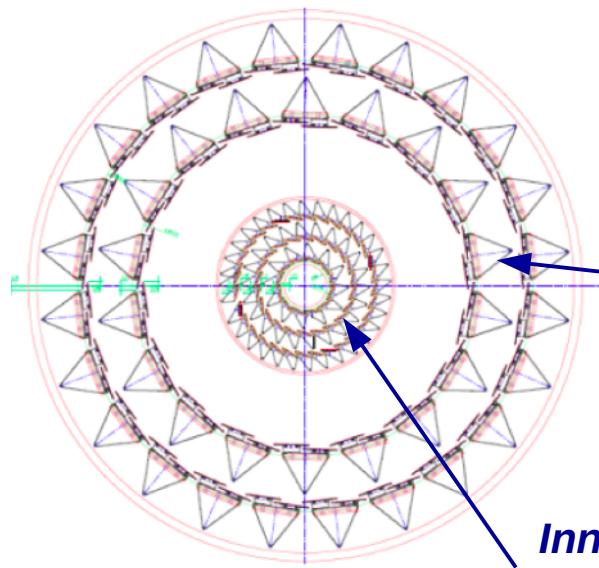


module prototype

Inner Tracking System (stage II)

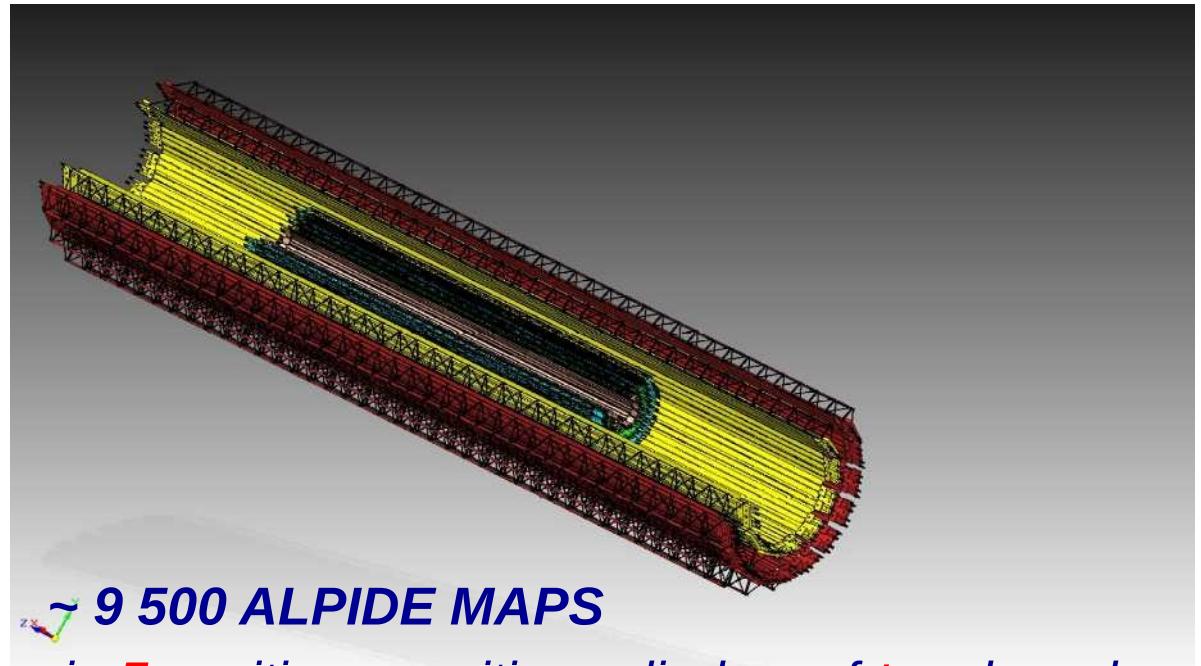
ALICE/CERN technology
transfer to **MPD/JINR**:

- ◆ **MAPS** of new **ALICE ITS** for **MPD**
- ◆ carbon fiber space frames;



*Outer Barrel (OB) – 2 layers
ALICE type staves*

*Inner Barrel (IB) – 3 layers
modified staves*



$\sim 9\,500$ **ALPIDE MAPS**
in **5** position-sensitive cylinders of **two** barrels

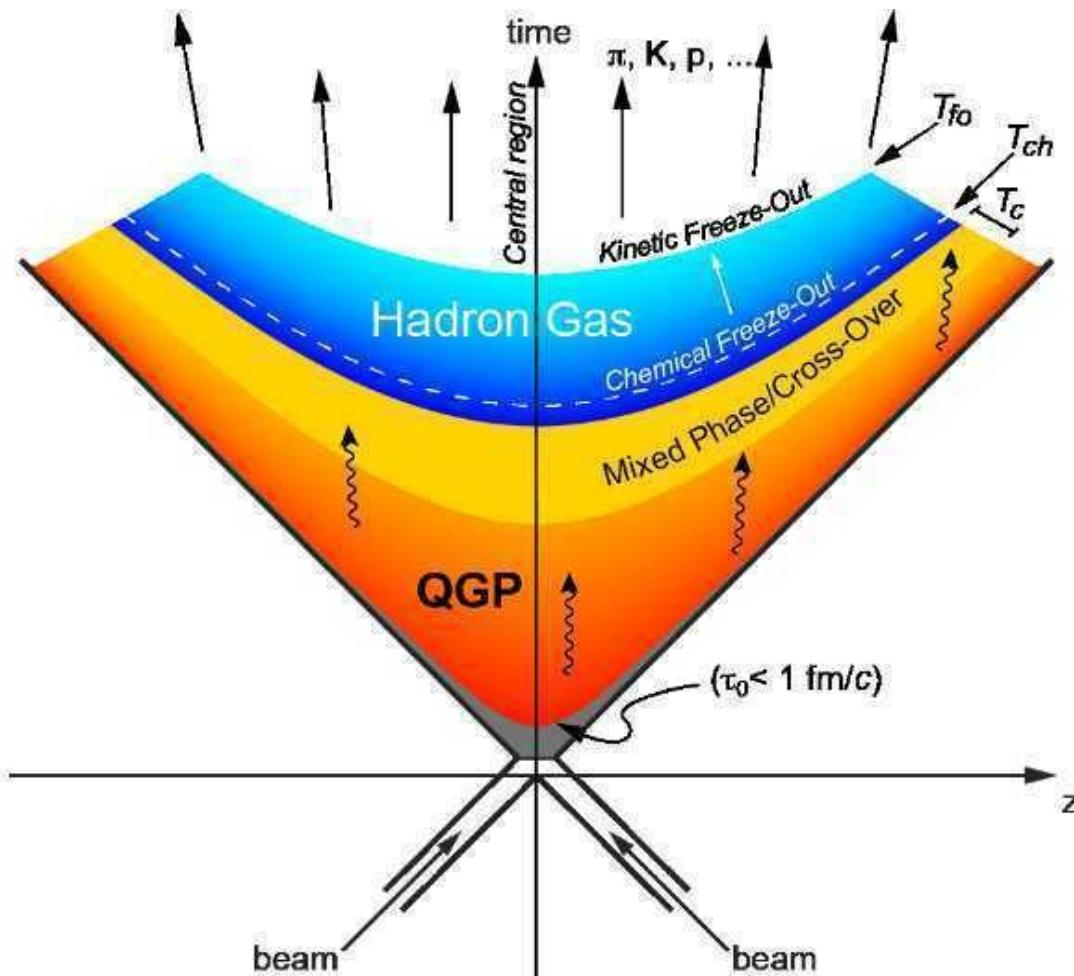
$4,9 \cdot 10^9$ pixels
active area $3,9\text{ m}^2$

max bandwidth:
400 – 1200 Mbps

Feasibility study for heavy ion collision at NICA

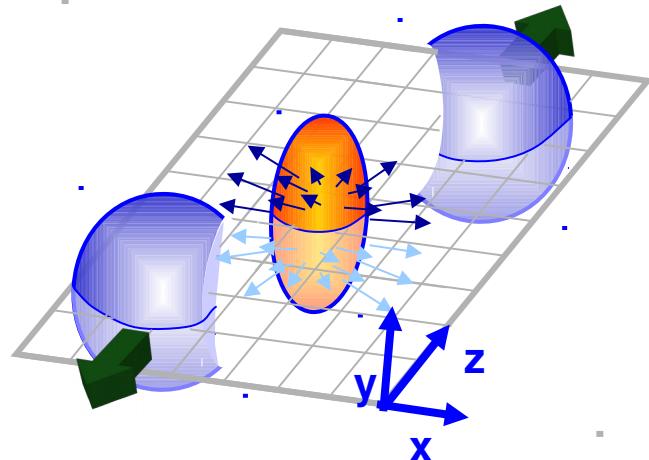
- ◆ UrQMD hadrons, leptons
 - ◆ QGSM hadrons, leptons, fragments
 - ◆ Hybrid UrQMD
 - ◆ VHLLE
 - ◆ THESEUS
 - ◆ pHSD
- 
- Phase transition

QGP in nucleus collisions

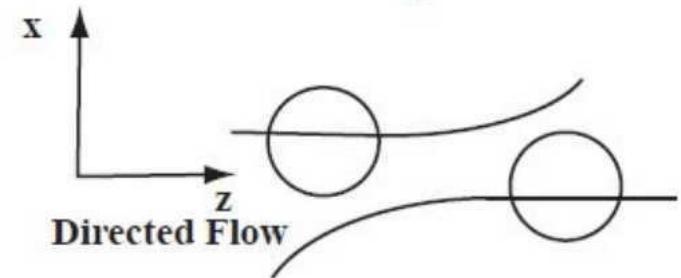
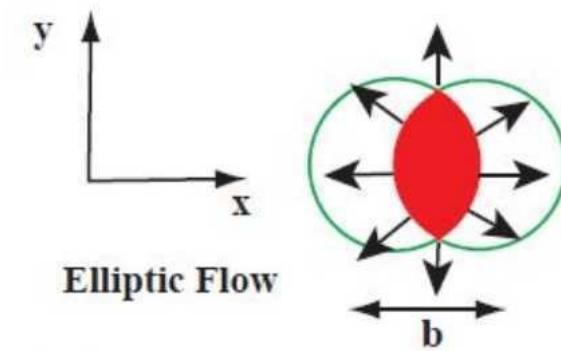
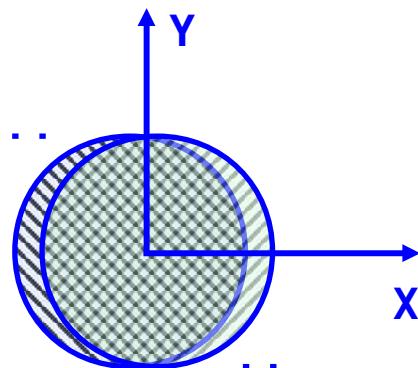
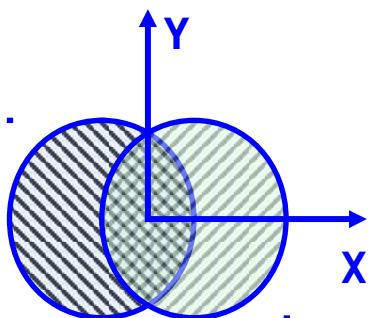
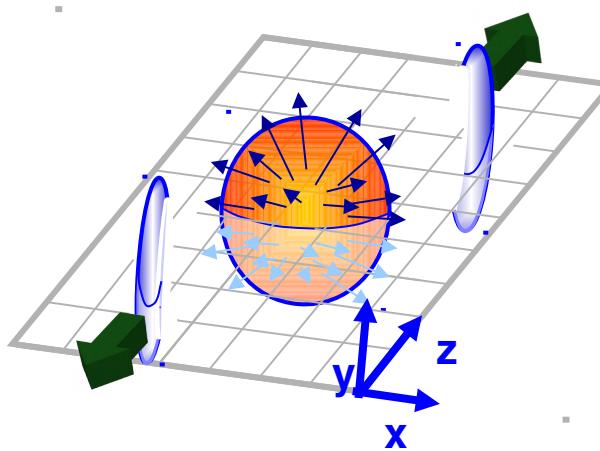


Nucleus collisions - flow

Peripheral Collision



(near) Central Collision



Strangeness in QGP

In 1982 J. Rafelski and B. Müller predicted that enhancement of strangeness production is a signal of QGP.

“Strangeness Production in the Quark-Gluon Plasma”

Phys. Rev. Lett. 48(1982)

“A substantial enhancement of production rates of multi-strange anti-baryons in nuclear collisions in particular at central rapidity and at highest transverse masses has therefore been proposed as a characteristic signature of QGP.”

J.R. Phys. Lett. 62(1991)

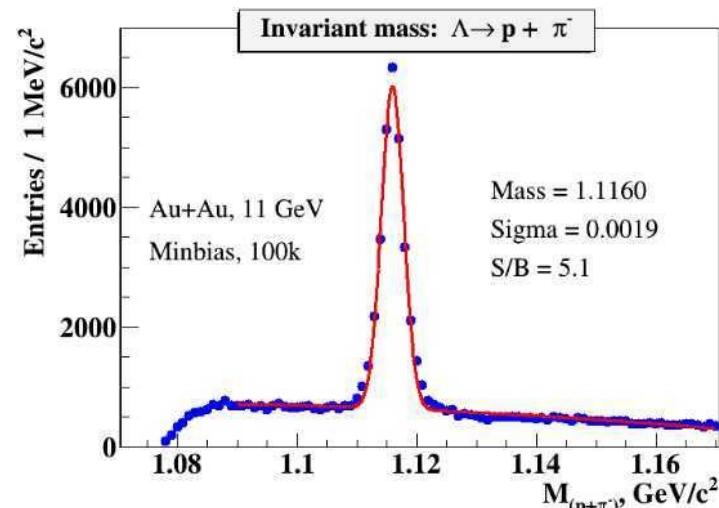
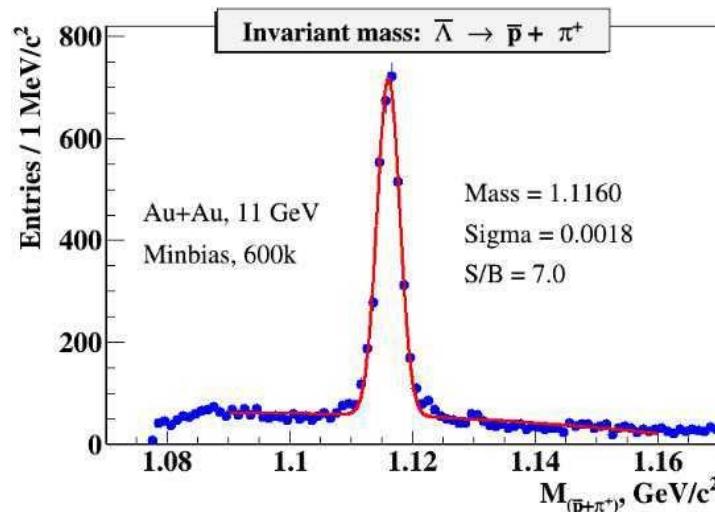
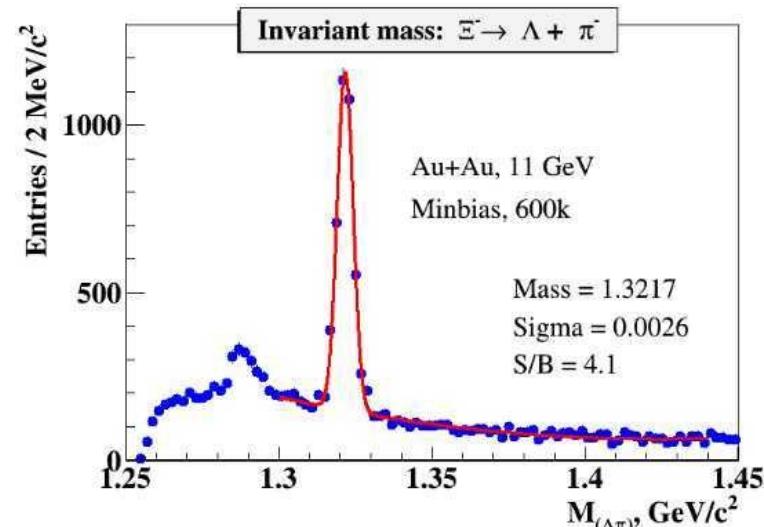
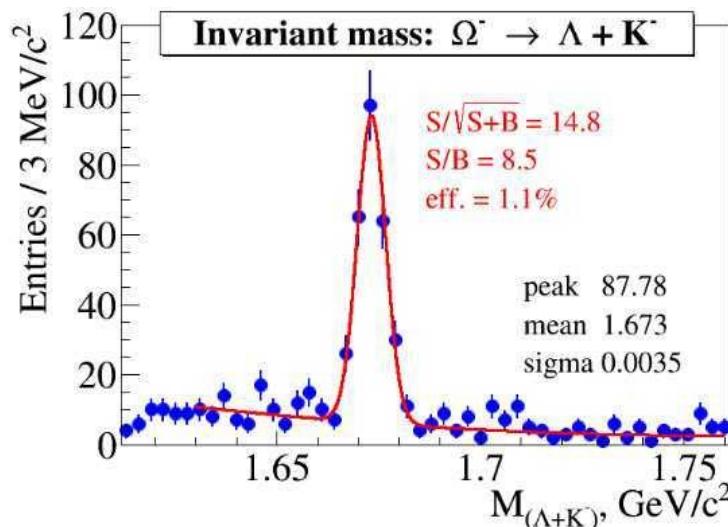
Idea: if s-(anti)quarks are created at QGP stage, then their number should not be changed during further evolution since s-(anti)quarks number is small and since density decreases => there is no chance for their annihilation!

Hence, we should observe chemical enhancement of strangeness !

Strange and multi-strange baryons

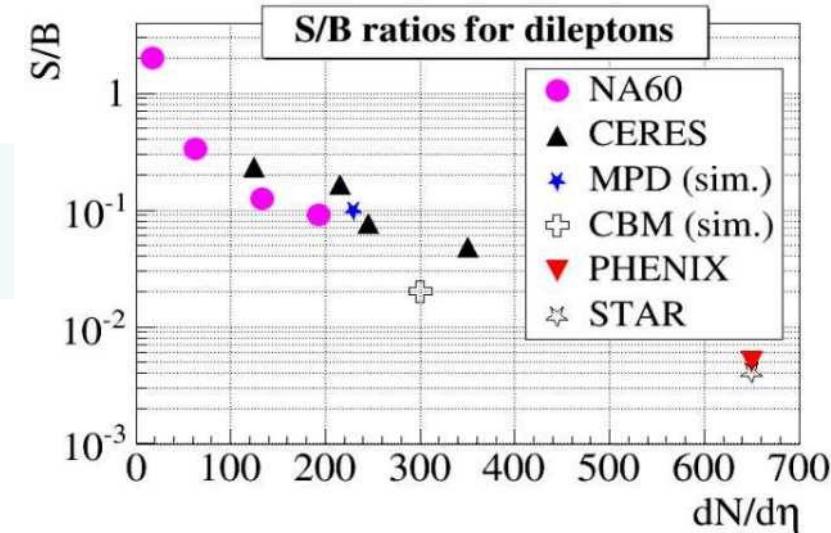
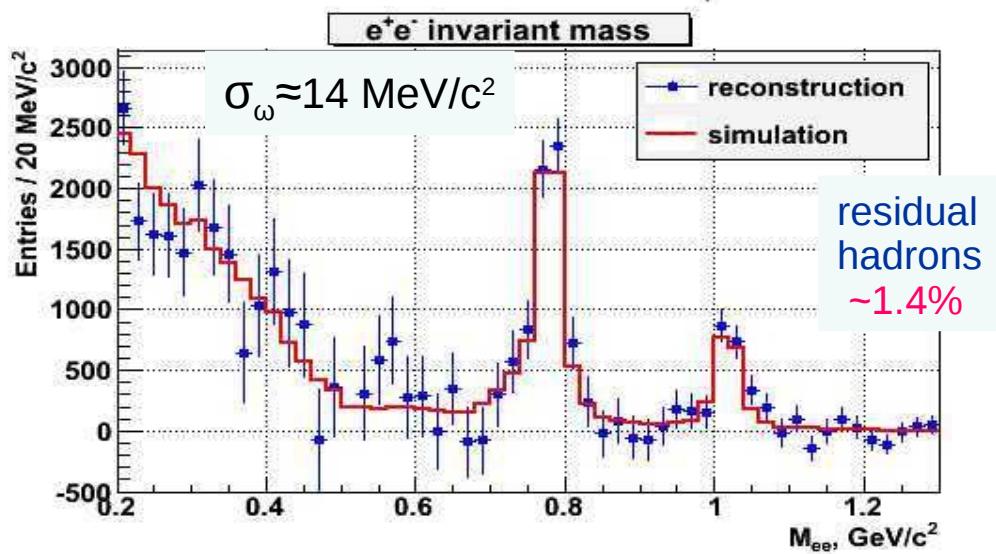
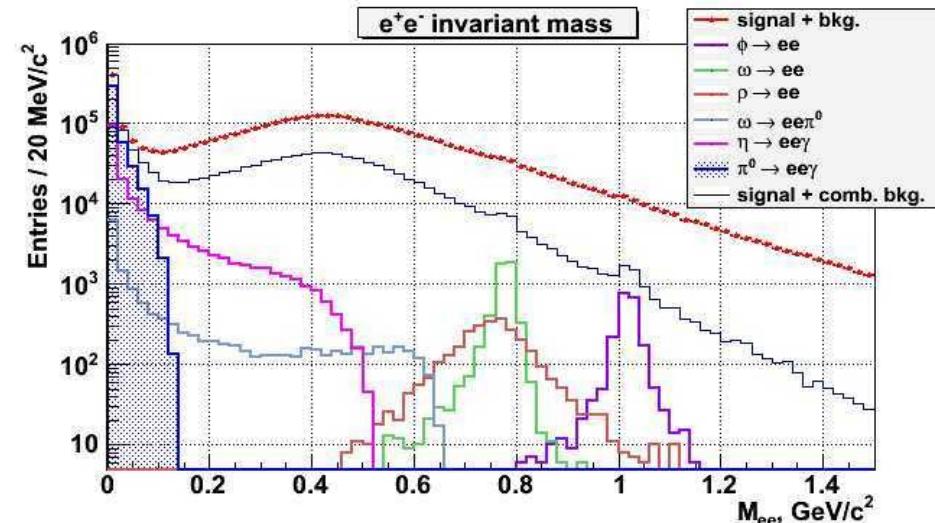
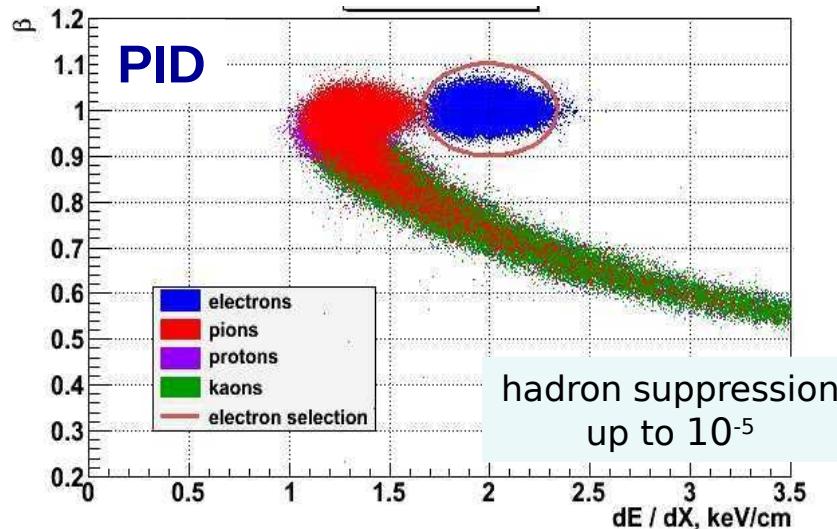


Stage'1 (TPC+TOF): Au+Au @ 11 GeV, UrQMD



Dilepton study

- Event generator: UrQMD+Pluto (for the cocktail) central Au+Au @ 8 GeV
- PID: dE/dx (from TPC) + TOF (~ 100 ps) + ECAL

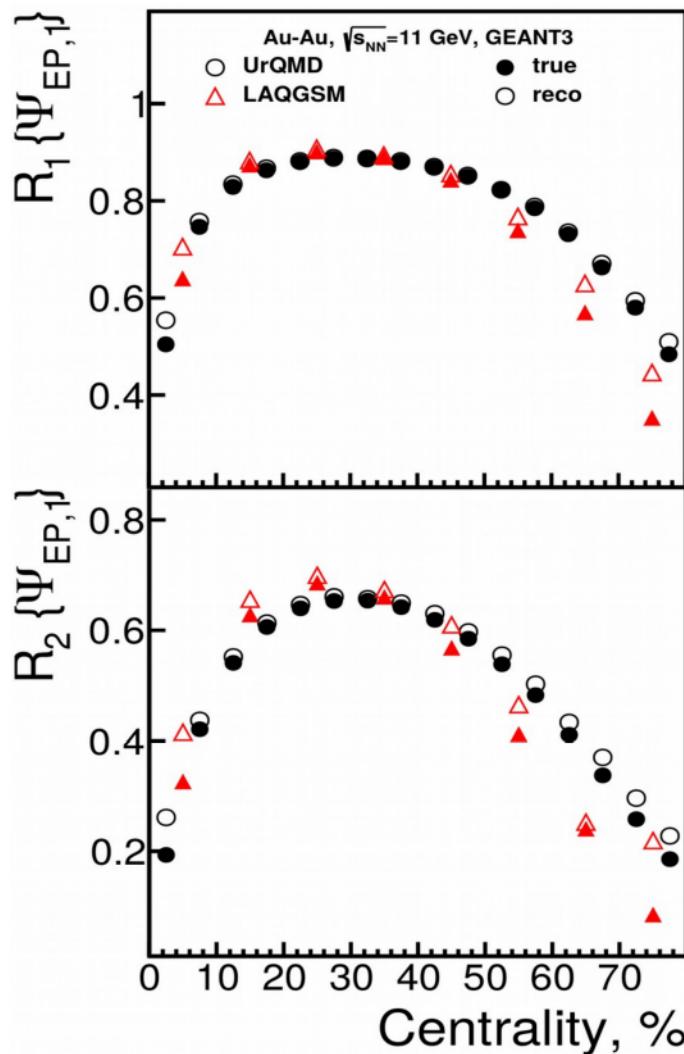


Flow performance

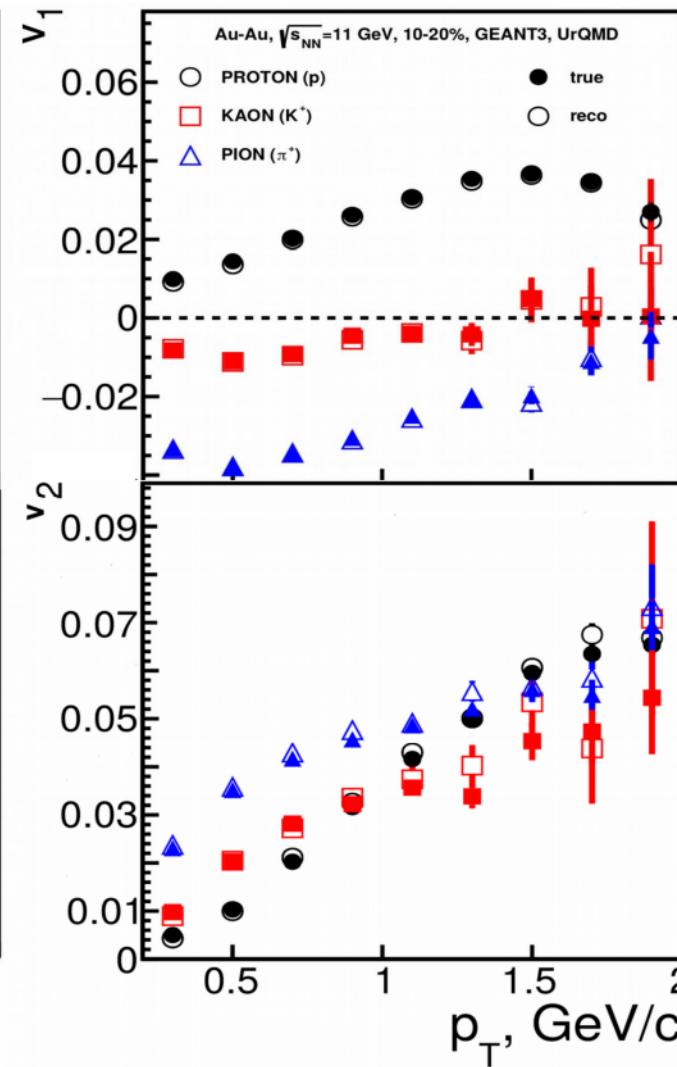
Au+Au@11 A GeV; GEANT3;
UrQMD (LAQGSM), 4M events

$$v_n = \{\cos[n(\phi - \Psi_{EP,1})]\} / R_n(\Psi_{EP,1}) - \text{azimuthal flow coefficients}$$

event plane resolution



flow harmonics (v_1 / v_2)



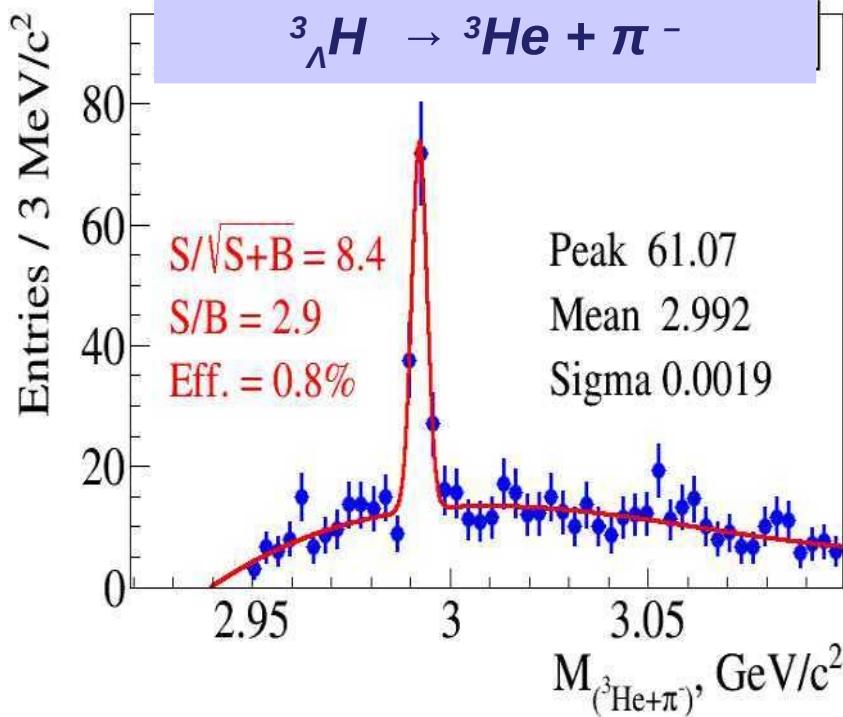
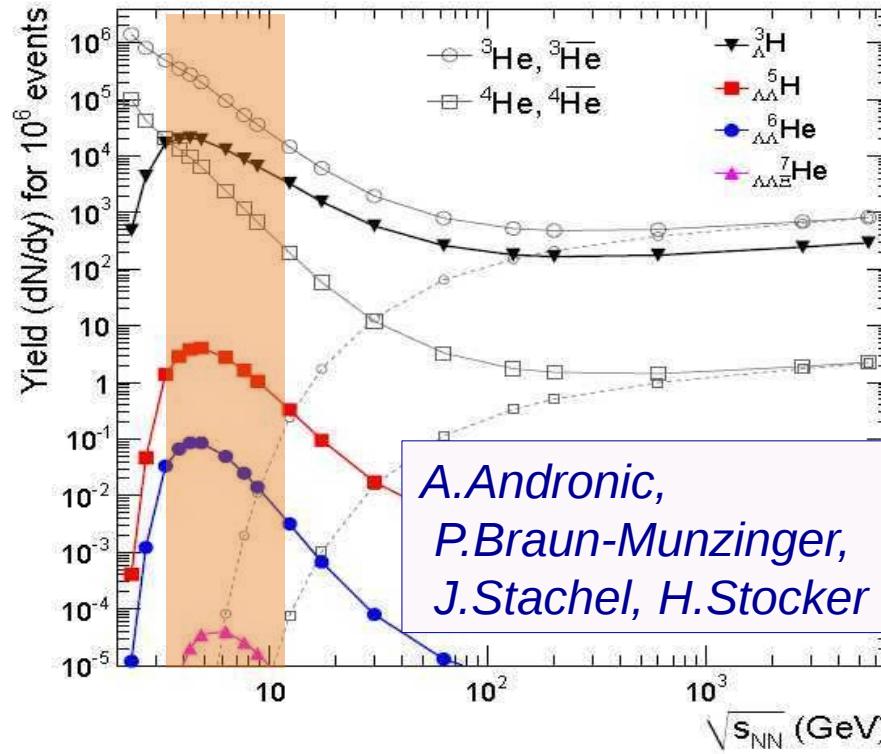
$R_n(\Psi_{EP,1})$ – resolution correction factor

ϕ – azimuthal angle of produced particle
 $\Psi_{EP,1}$ – event plane angle

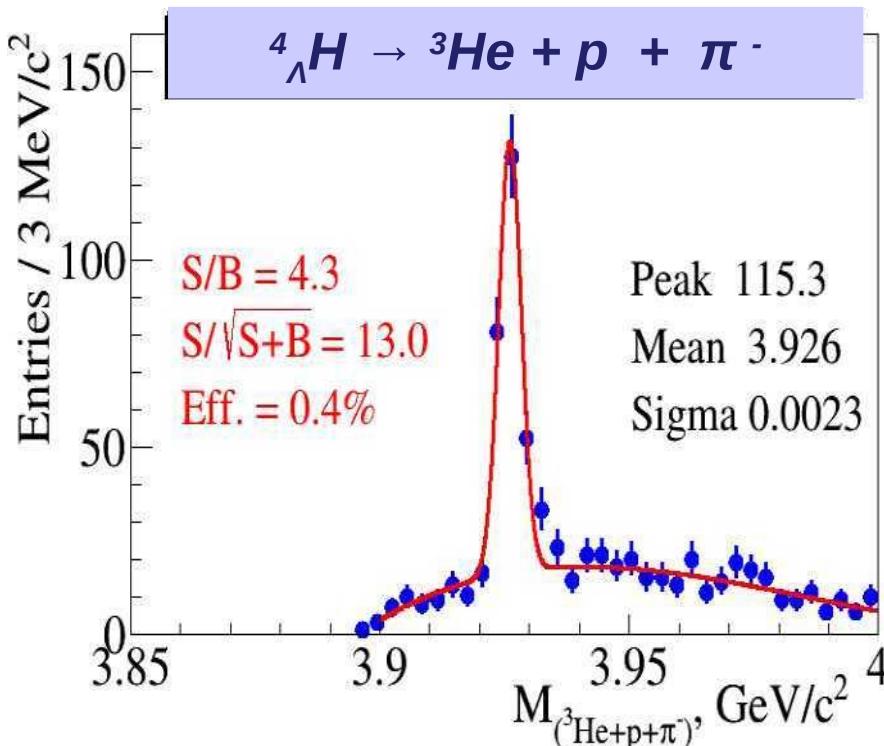
event plane: FHCal
centrality: TPC
PID: TOF+TPC

Hyper nuclei

**Stage 2: central Au+Au @ 5 AGeV;
DCM-QGSM**



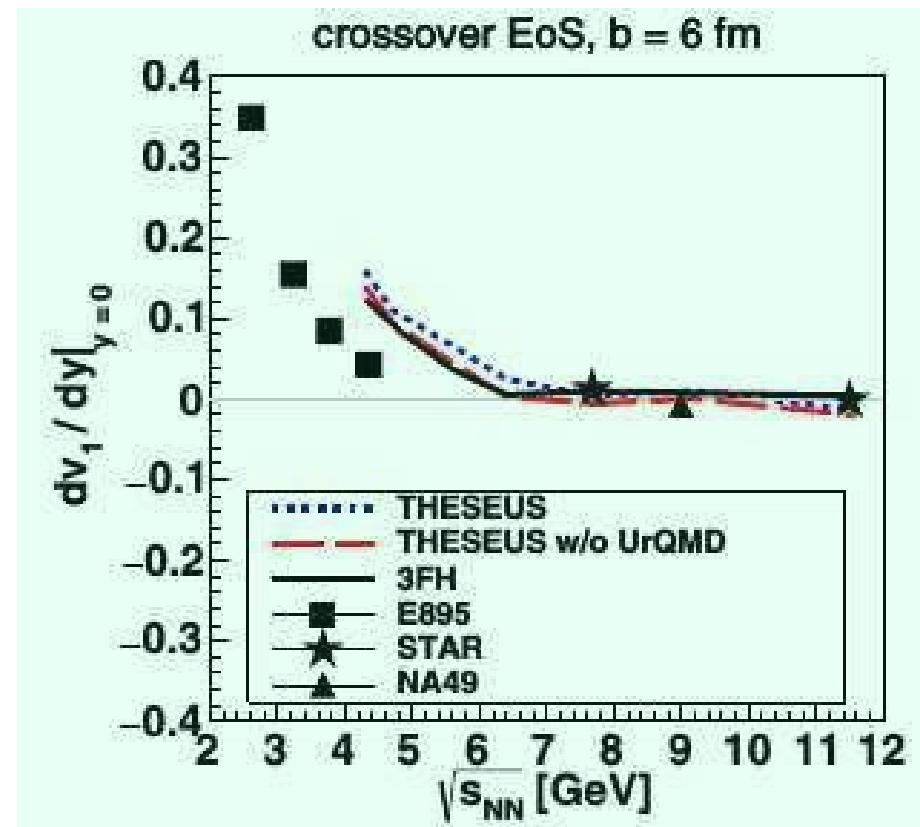
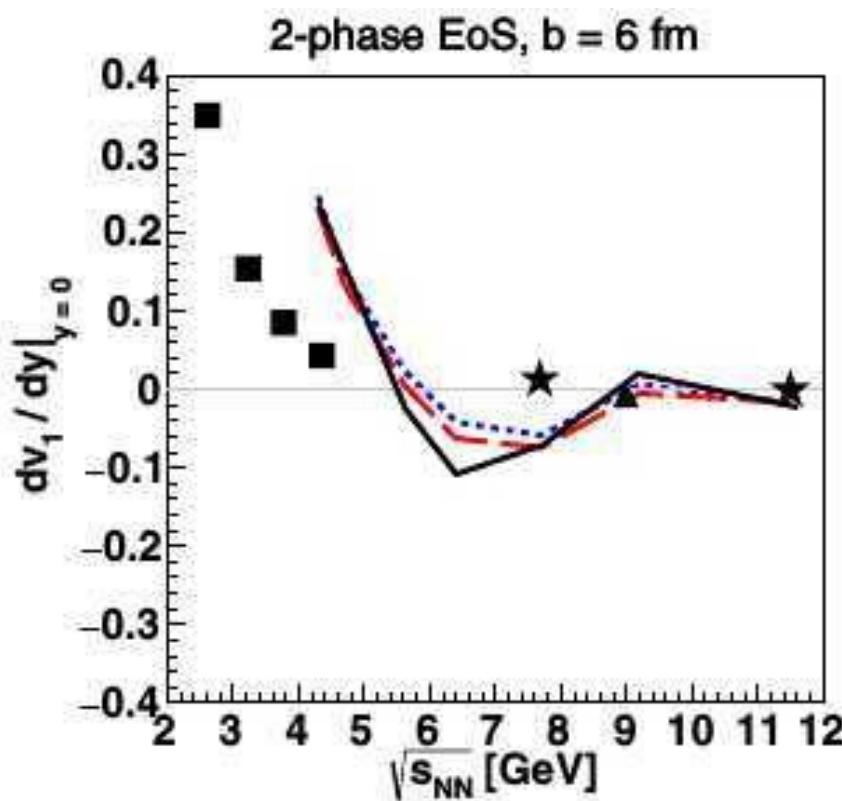
hyper nucleus	yield in 10 weeks
${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{He}$	$9 \cdot 10^5$
${}^4_{\Lambda}\text{He}$	$1 \cdot 10^5$



Directed flow slope

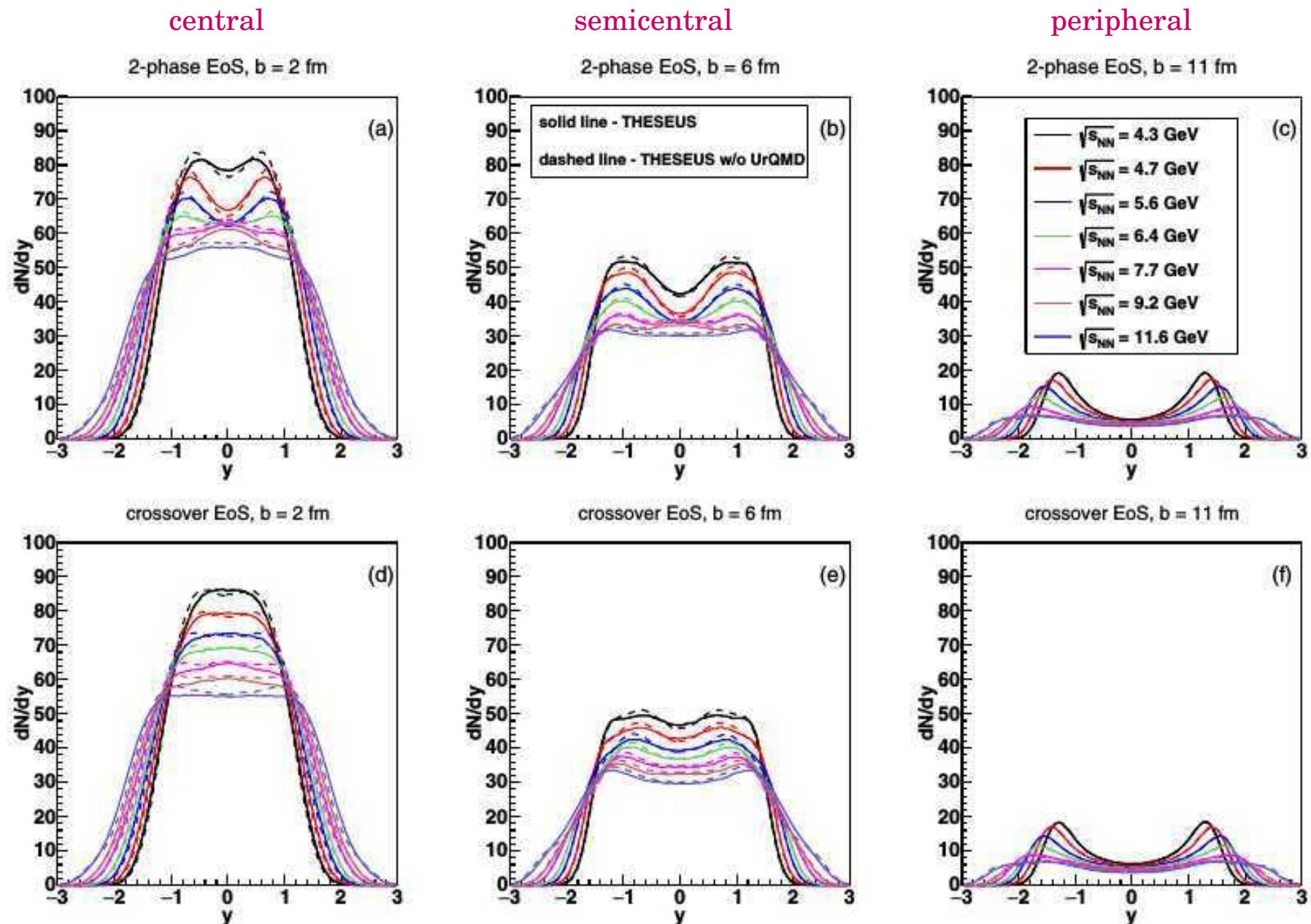
P. Batyuk et al. Phys. Rev. C 94, 044917 (2016)

$$v_1(y) = \langle \cos(\phi - \Psi_{RP}) \rangle = \left(p_x / \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2} \right),$$



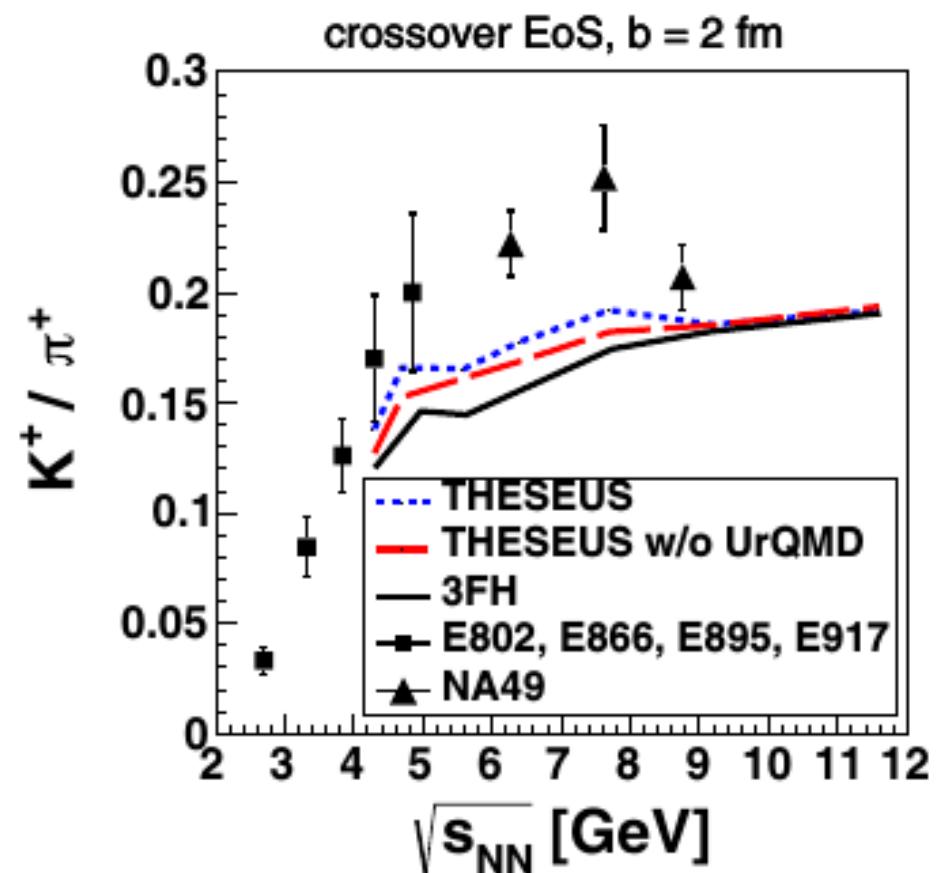
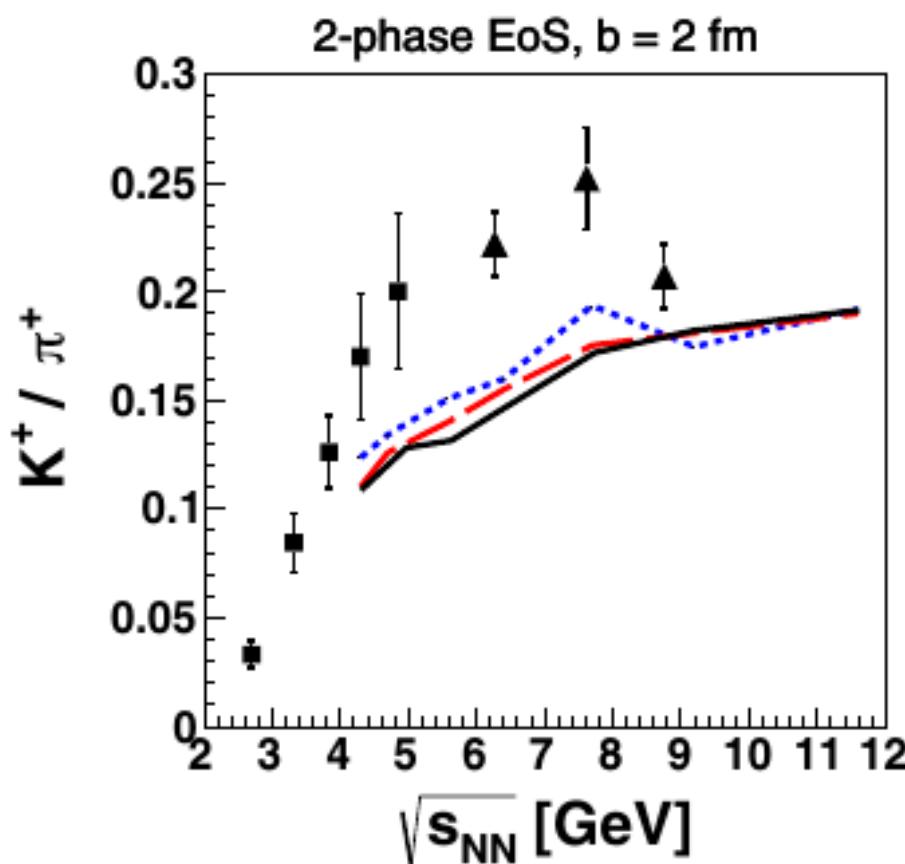
Energy scan of the slope of the directed flow (dv_1/dy) of protons for semicentral ($b = 6$ fm) Au+Au collisions

Proton rapidity in Theseus



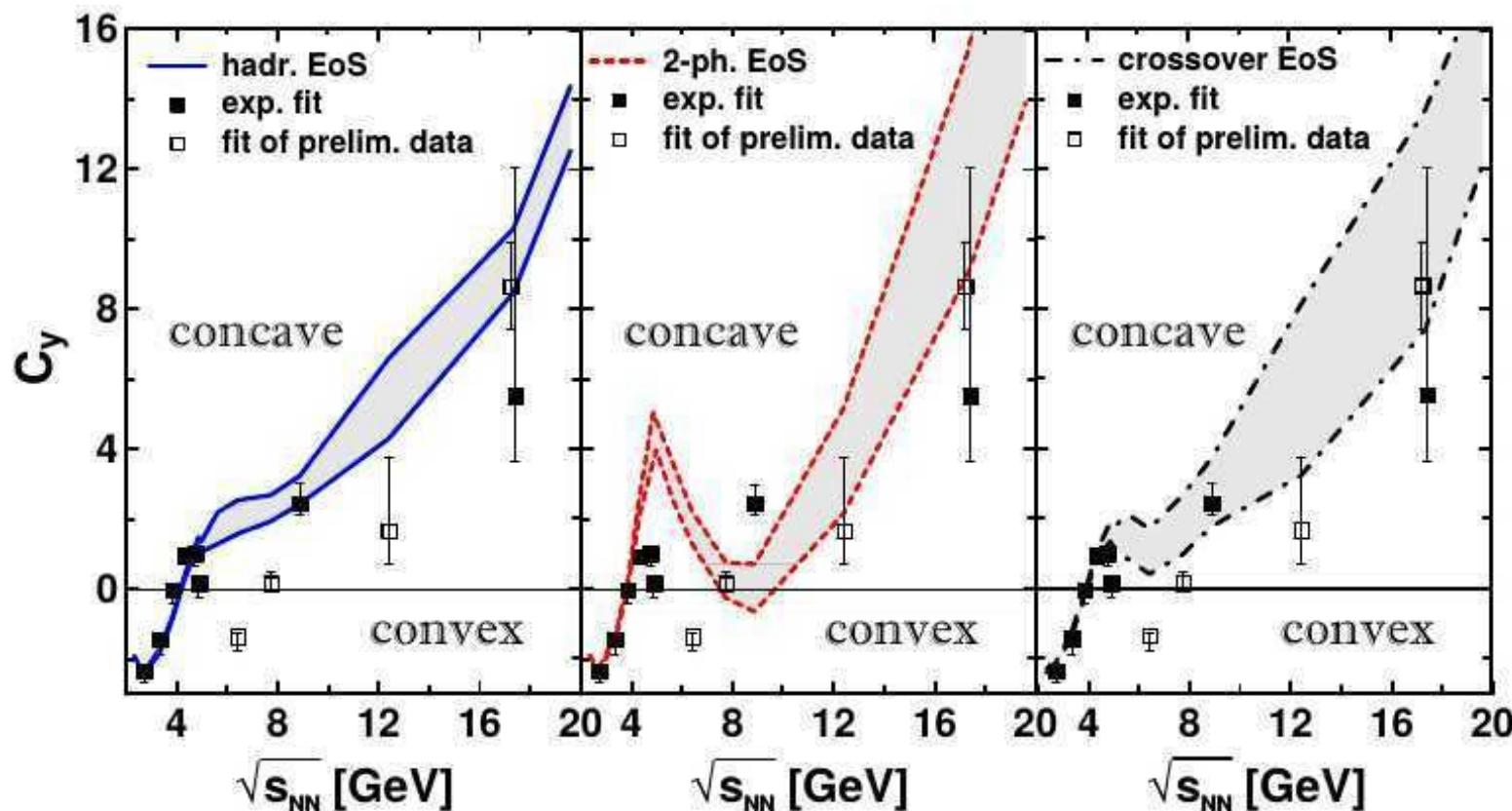
K^+/π^+ ratio

THESEUS



Net-proton mid rapidity curvature

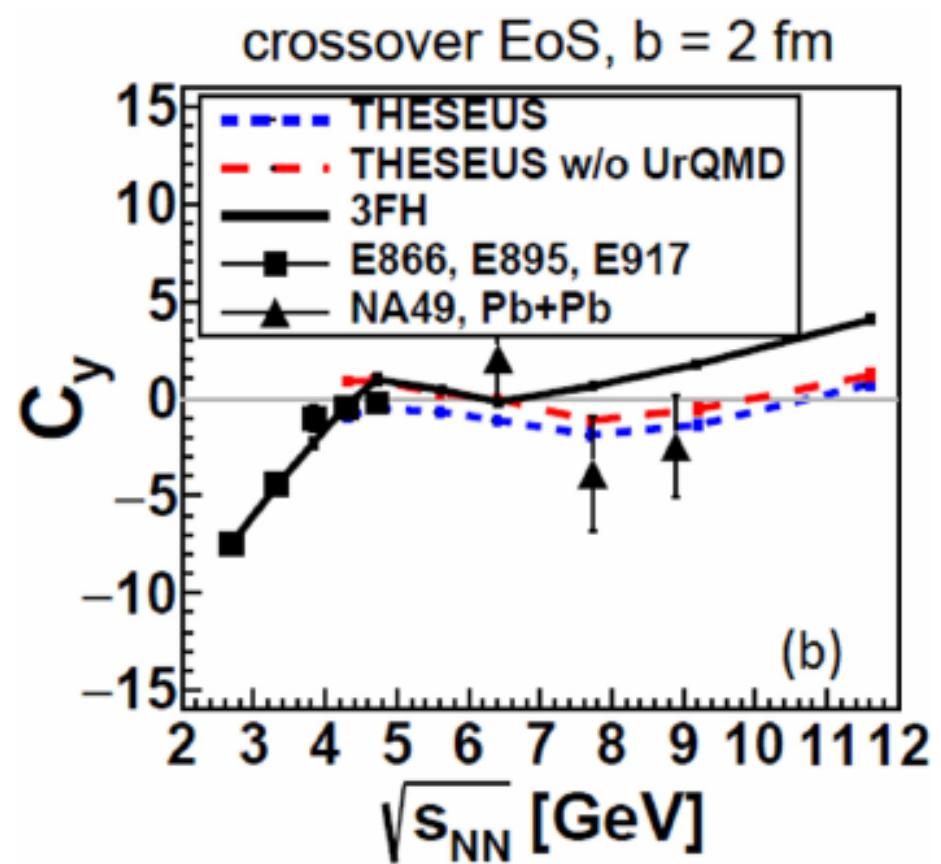
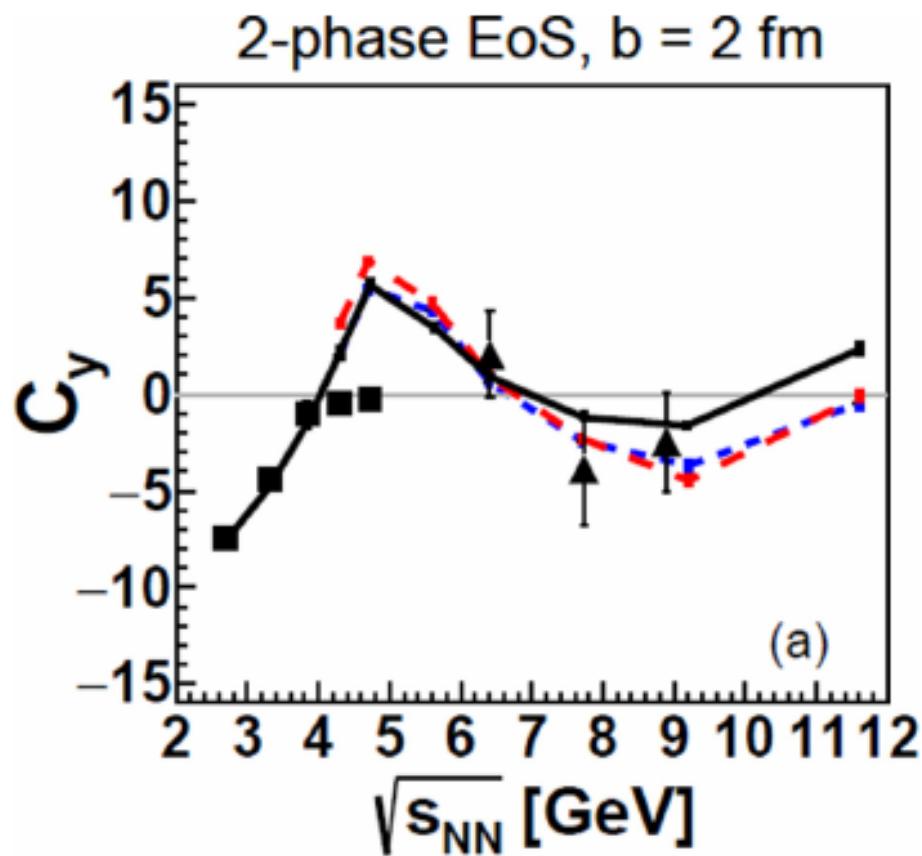
Yu.B. Ivanov, Phys. Lett. B721 123 (2013)



$$C_y = \left(y_{\text{beam}}^3 \frac{d^3 N}{dy^3} \right)_{y=0} / \left(y_{\text{beam}} \frac{dN}{dy} \right)_{y=0} = (y_{\text{beam}}/w_s)^2 (\sinh^2 y_s - w_s \cosh y_s)$$

Net proton rapidity curvature

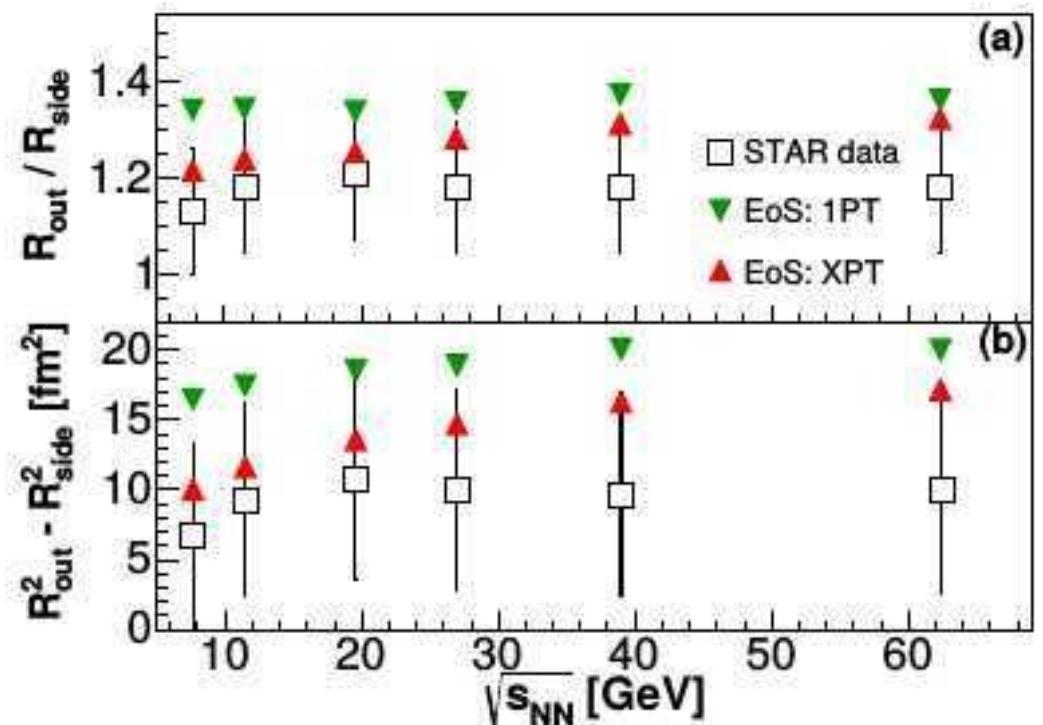
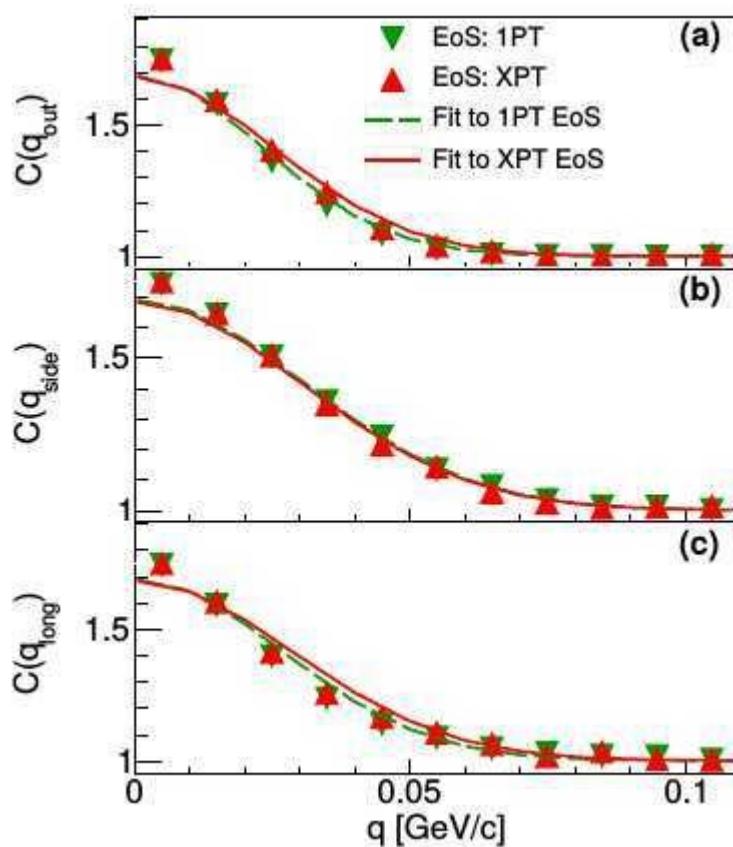
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Femtoscopy study @ NICA

VHLLE+URQMD MODEL
 Phys. Rev. C 91, 064901 (2015)

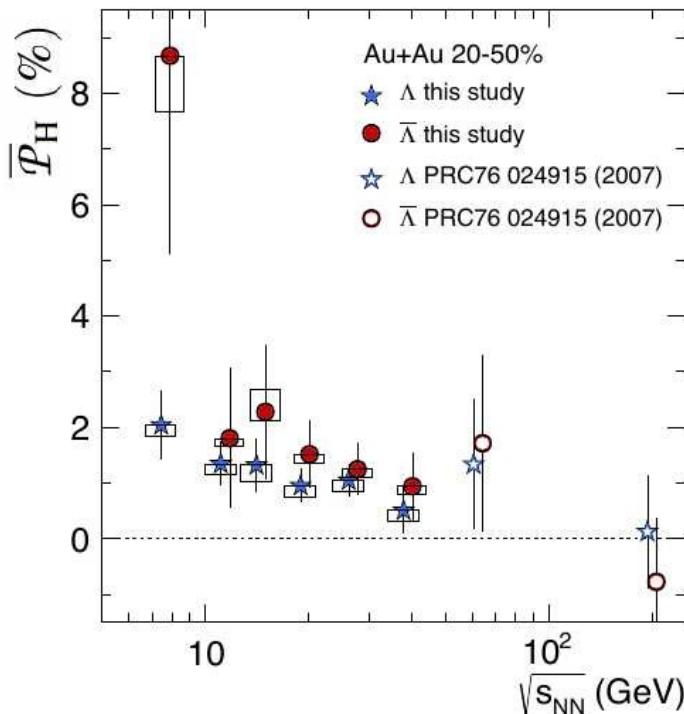
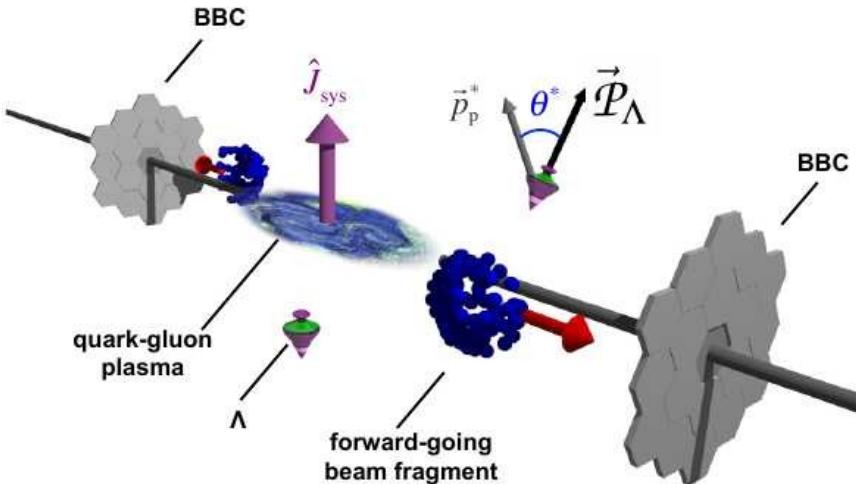
$$C(\mathbf{q}) = N \left(1 + \lambda \exp(-R_{\text{out}}^2 q_{\text{out}}^2 - R_{\text{side}}^2 q_{\text{side}}^2 - R_{\text{long}}^2 q_{\text{long}}^2) \right)$$



STAR data ($0.15 < k_T < 0.25$ GeV/c, 0-5% centrality)

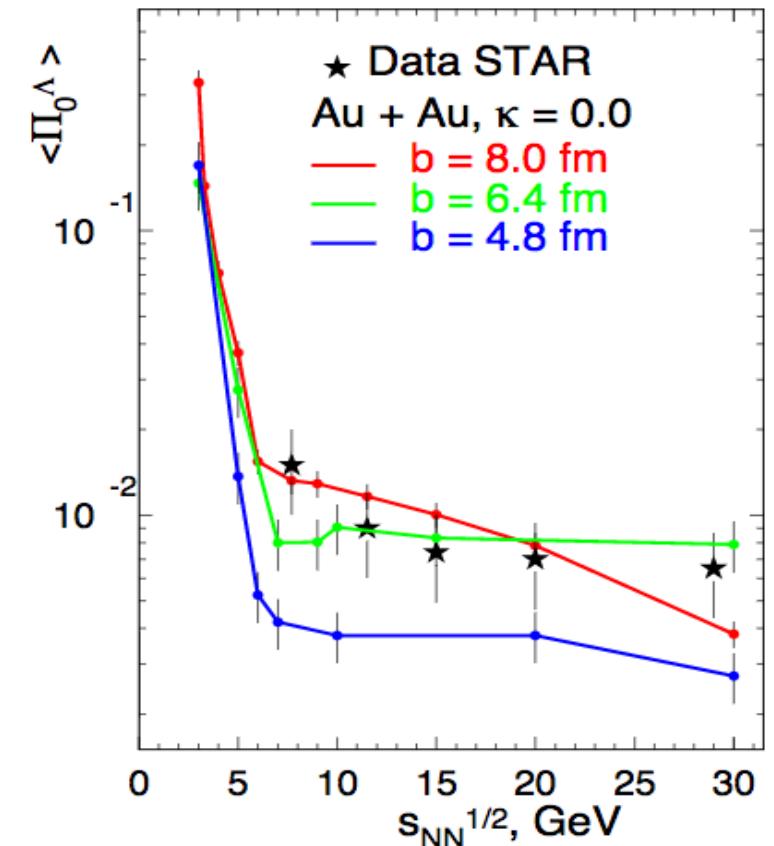
Global Λ^0 hyperon polarization in nuclear collisions

O. R., A. Sorin, O. Teryaev, Phys. Rev. C 82, 054910, 2010;
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arXiv:1701.06657

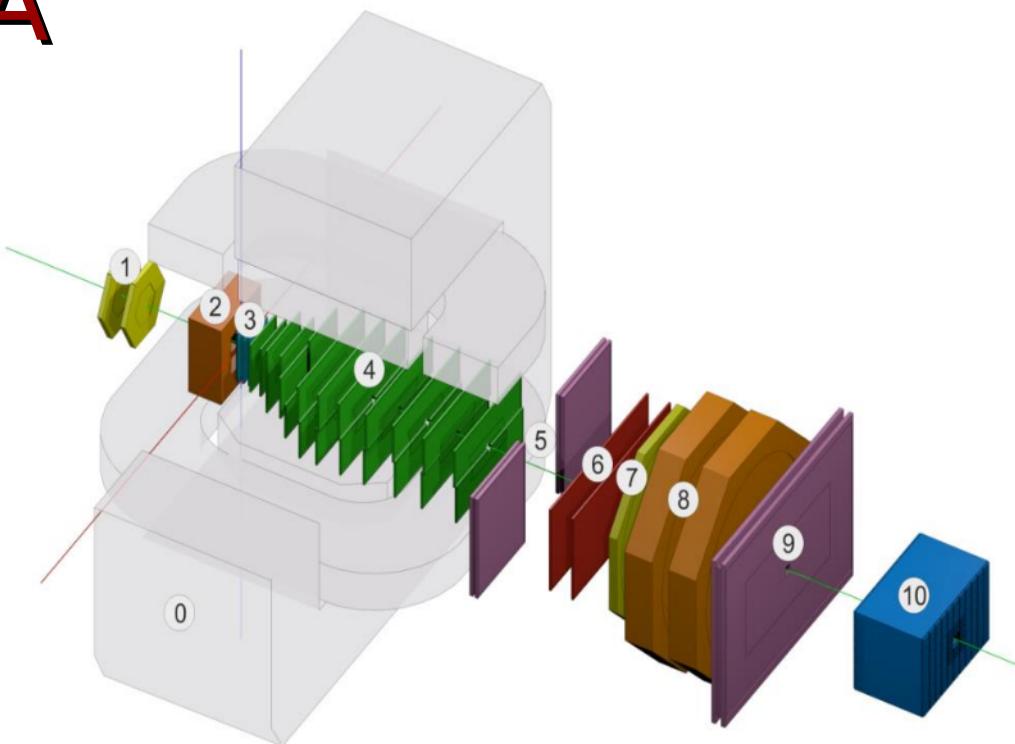
The average polarization P_H (where $H = \Lambda$ or $\bar{\Lambda}$) from 20-50% central Au+Au collisions as a function of collision energy.



$$\alpha_\Lambda = -\alpha_{\bar{\Lambda}} = 0.642 \pm 0.013$$

$$\frac{dN}{d\cos\theta^*} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \alpha_H |\vec{P}_H| \cos\theta^* \right)$$

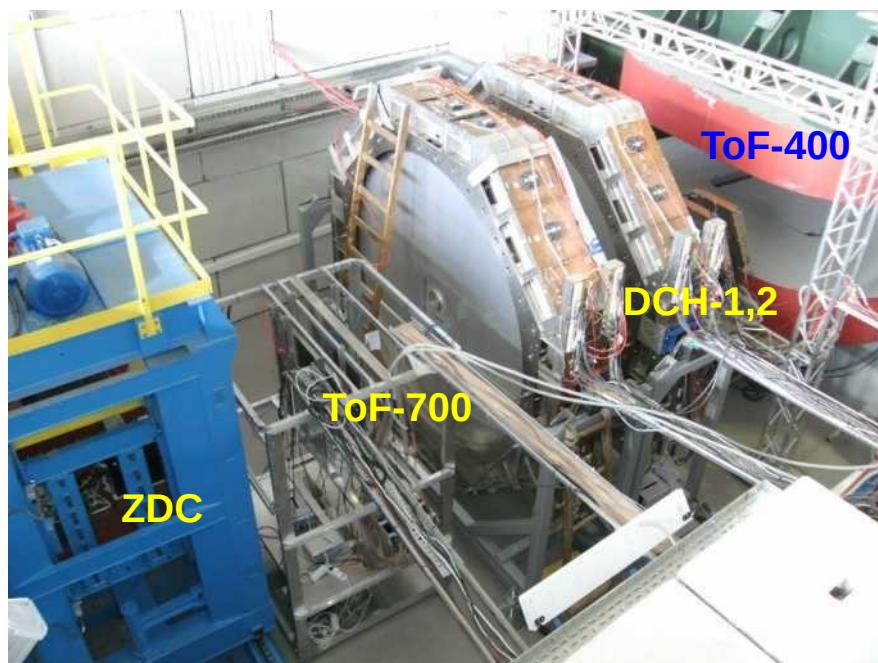
BM@N: fixed target experiment at NICA



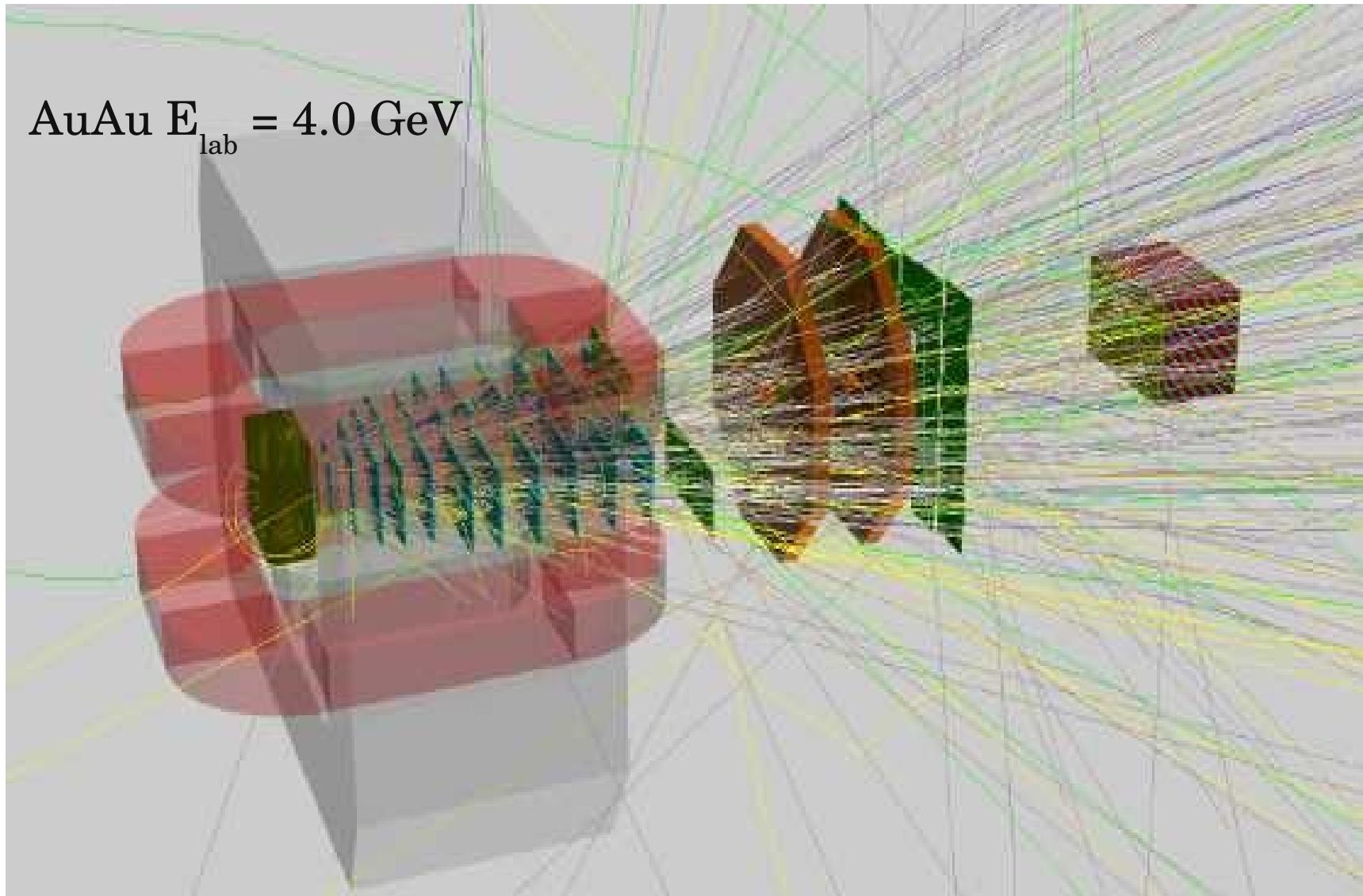
- 0 Analyzing magnet
- 1 MWPC
- 2 Recoil (+T₀T)
- 3 ST (Silicon Tracker)
- 4 GEM
- 5 TOF1(mRPC)
- 6 CPC
- 7 Straw
- 8 DCH
- 9 TOF2(mRPC)
- 10 ZDC

Year	2016	2017 spring	2018 spring	2020	2021 and later
Beam	d(\uparrow)	C	Ar,Kr, C(SRC)	Au	Au,p
Max.inten sity per spill	0.5M	0.5M	0.5M	1M	5M
Trigger rate, Hz	5k	5k	10k	10k	20k→50k
Central tracker status	6 GEM half planes	6 GEM half planes	6 GEM half planes + 3 small Si planes	7 GEM full planes + small + large Si planes	7 GEM full planes + small + large Si planes
Experiment al status	technical run	technical run	technical run+physics	stage1 physics	stage2 physics

BM@N experiment at NICA

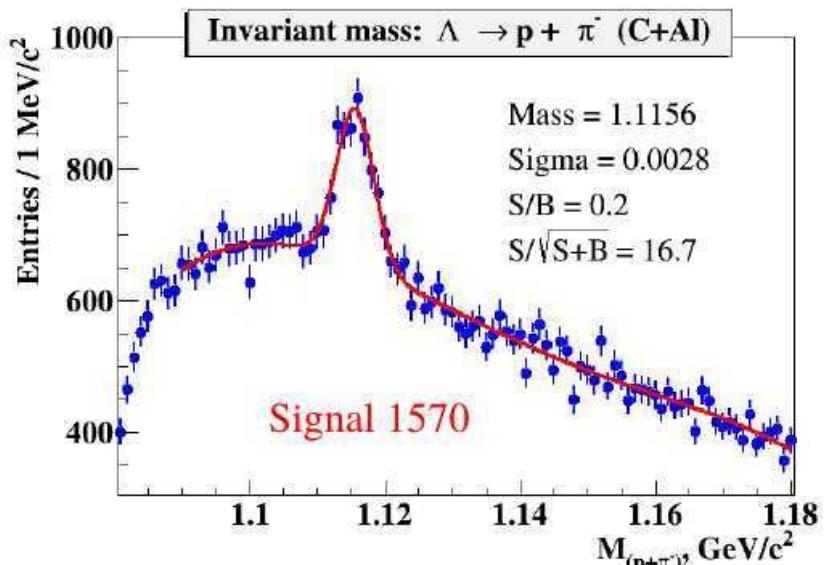
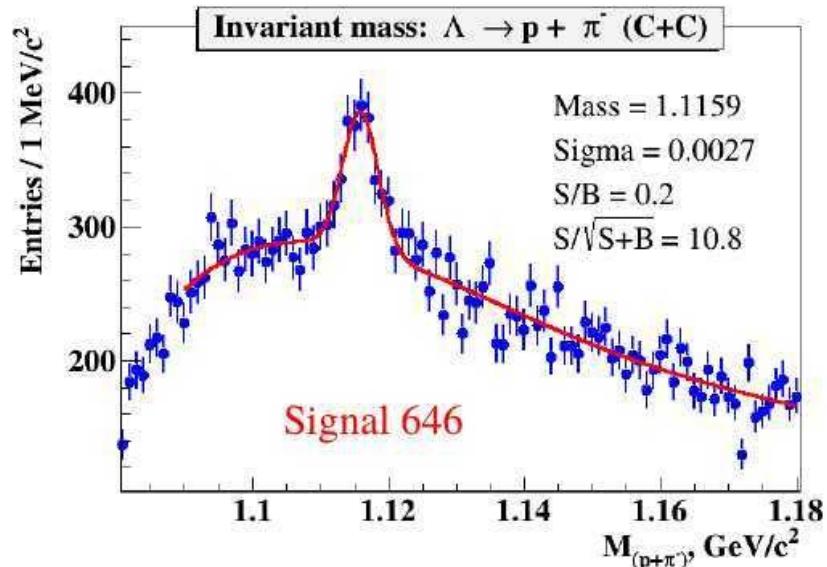
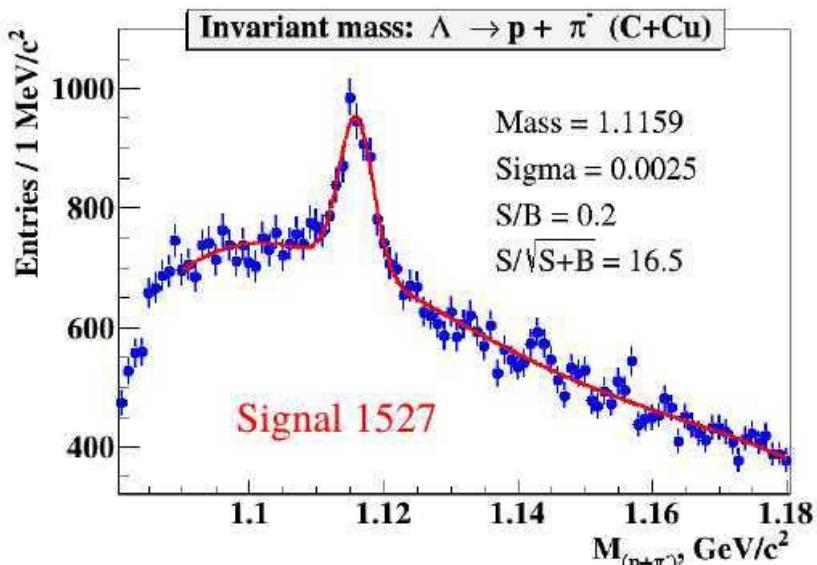
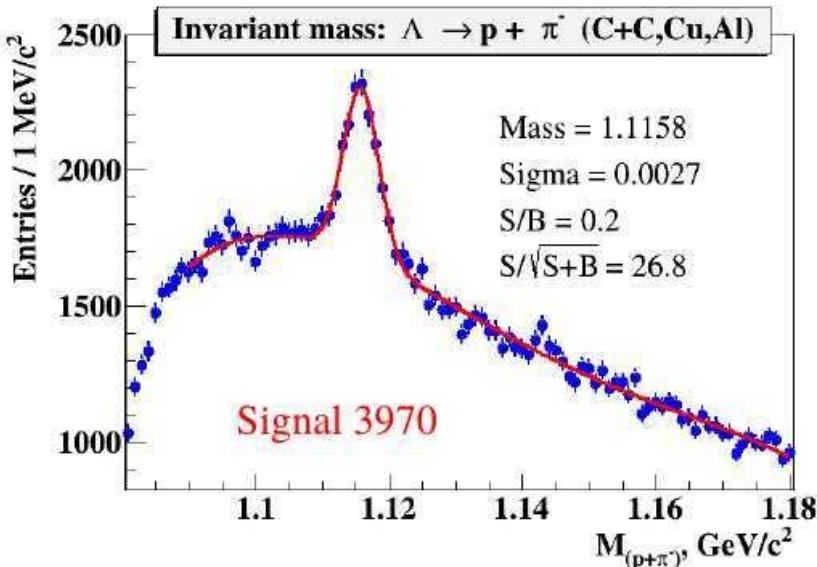


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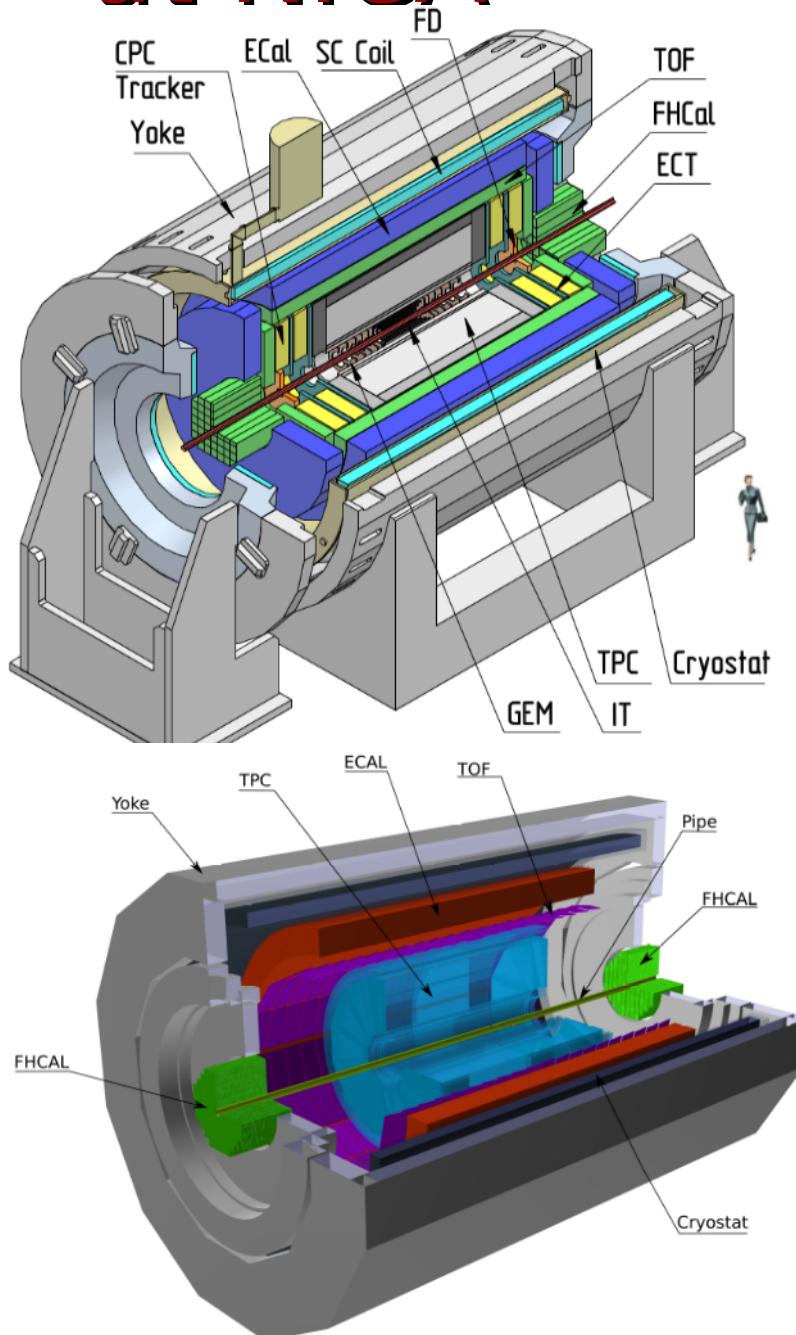


BM@N Λ^0 reconstruction

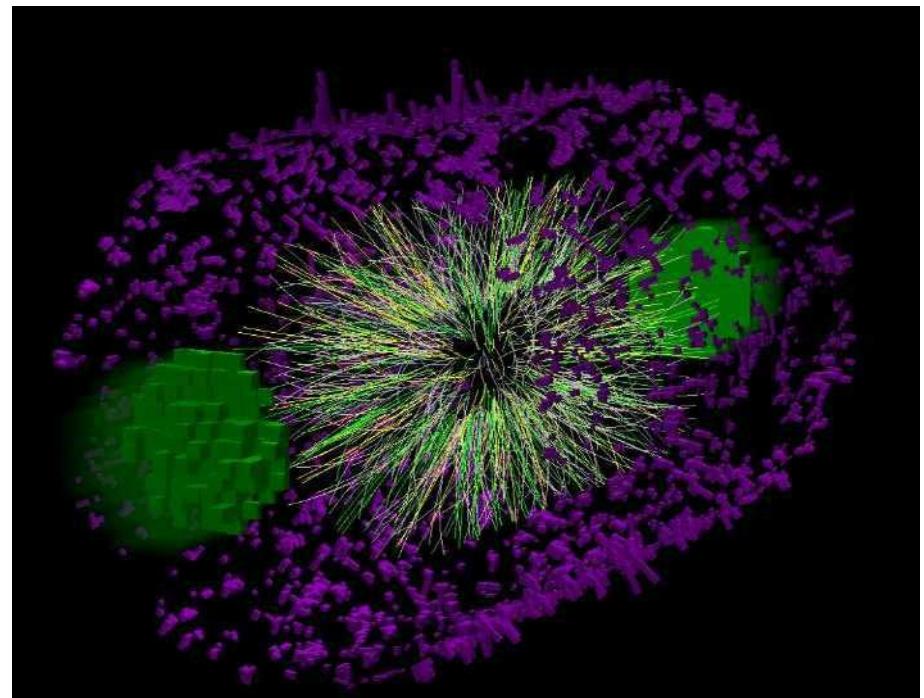
($E_{\text{kin}}^{\text{beam}} = 4.0 \text{ AGeV}$)



Software simulation experiments at NICA



MPD event display
 $AuAu \sqrt{s} = 11 \text{ GeV}$



Event generators + exp. data databases

BM@N Experiment Database

[documentation](#)

The Unified Database is designed as a comprehensive relational data storage for offline data analysis in the fixed target experiment BM@N of the NICA project. The use of the BM@N database provides correct multi-user access to actual information of the experiment for data processing.

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BM@N Runs

Distribution of runs by run periods ([show information on all periods](#))

A pie chart illustrating the distribution of BM@N runs across seven run periods. The largest portion, Period 7, accounts for 1887 runs. Other periods have significantly fewer runs: Period 1 (93), Period 2 (115), Period 3 (204), Period 4 (13), Period 5 (200), and Period 6 (468). The data is summarized in the following table:

Period	Runs
Period 1	93
Period 2	115
Period 3	204
Period 4	13
Period 5	200
Period 6	468
Period 7	1887

Simulation Files

Distribution of simulation files by generators

A donut chart showing the distribution of simulation files across different generators. UrQMD is the dominant generator, contributing 15963 files. Other generators include vHLLE_UrQMD (1389), 3FD (12411), LAQGSM (4231), PHSD (87), and QGSM (3044). The data is summarized in the following table:

Generator	Files
vHLLE_UrQMD	1389
UrQMD	15963
3FD	12411
LAQGSM	4231
PHSD	87
QGSM	3044

- ✓ UrQMD
- ✓ QGSM
- ✓ PHSD

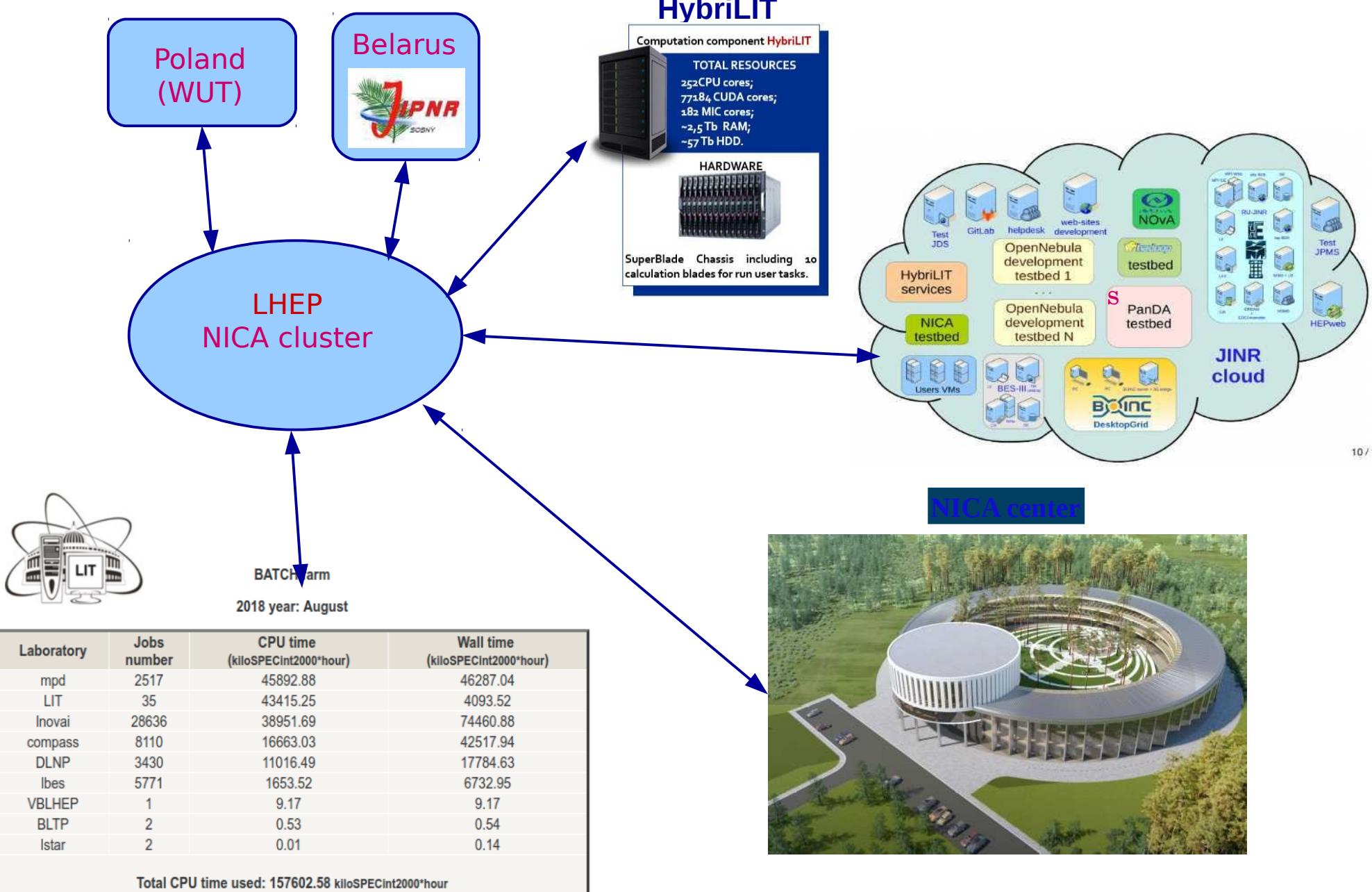
- ✓ Hybrid UrQMD
- ✓ vHLLE_UrQMD
- ✓ 3FD(Theseus)

Interactions
AuAu MC
pC MC+exp
CC

Energy s
2, 4, 7, 9, 11

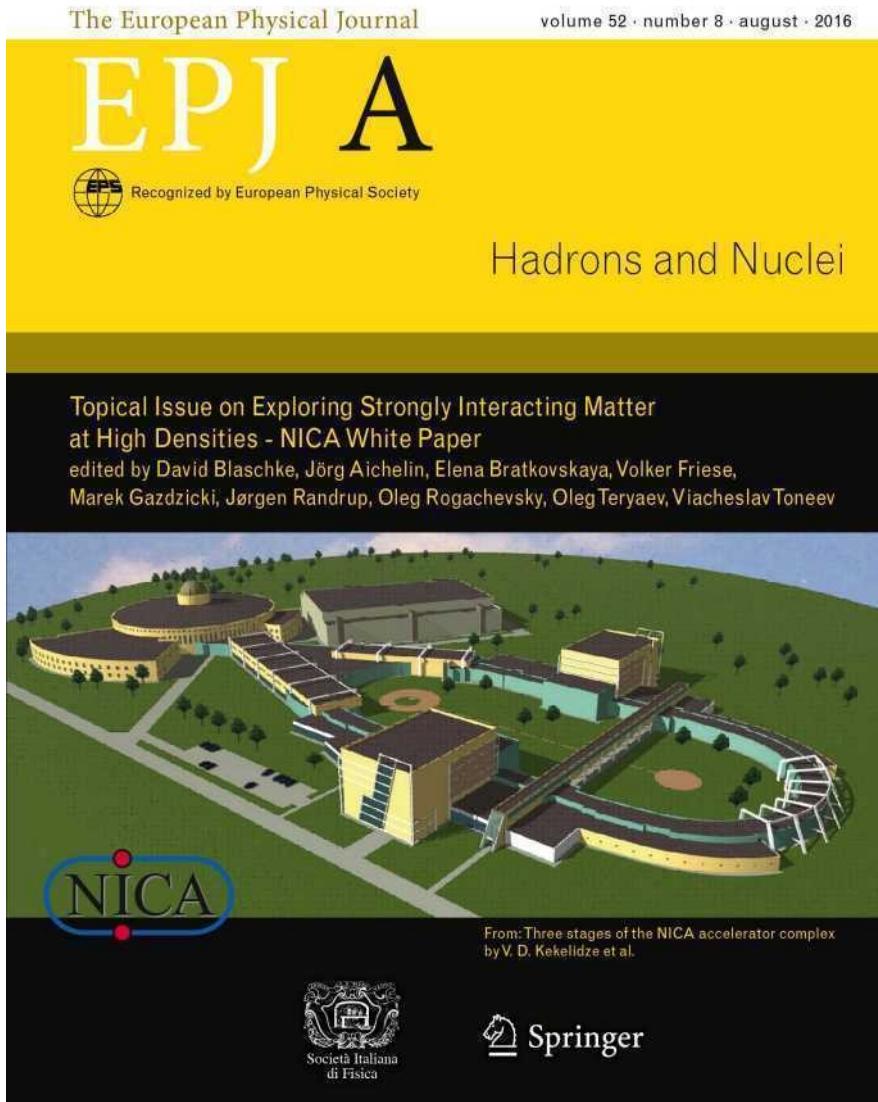
32902 files
~ 10^6 events
for each
interaction

NICA computing



NICA White Paper

ФИЗИКА ЭЛЕМЕНТАРНЫХ ЧАСТИЦ И АТОМНОГО ЯДРА
2016, Т. 47, ВЫП. 4



FEASIBILITY STUDY OF HEAVY ION PHYSICS PROGRAM AT NICA

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There is strong experimental and theoretical evidence that in collisions of heavy ions at relativistic energies the nuclear matter undergoes a phase transition to the deconfined state — Quark-Gluon Plasma. The caused energy region of such a transition was not found at high energy at SPS and RHIC, and search for this energy is shifted to lower energies, which will be covered by the future NICA (Dubna), FAIR (Darmstadt) facilities and BES II at RHIC. Fixed target and collider experiments at the NICA facility will work in the energy range from a few $A\text{GeV}$ up to $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 11\text{ GeV}$ and will study the most interesting area on the nuclear matter phase diagram.

The most remarkable results were observed in the study of collective phenomena occurring in the early stage of nuclear collisions. Investigation of the collective flow will provide information on Equation of State (EoS) for nuclear matter. Study of the event-by-event fluctuations and correlations can give us signals of critical behavior of the system. Femtoscopy analysis provides the space-time history of the collisions. Also, it was found that baryon stopping power revealing itself as a "wiggle" in the excitation function of curvature of the (net) proton rapidity spectrum relates to the order of the phase transition.

The available observations of an enhancement of dilepton rates at low invariant masses may serve as a signal of the chiral symmetry restoration in hot and dense matter. Due to this fact, measurements of the dilepton spectra are considered to be an important part of the NICA physics program. The study of strange particles and hypernuclei production gives additional information on the EoS and "strange" axis of the QCD phase diagram.

In this paper a feasibility of the considered investigations is shown by the detailed Monte Carlo simulations applied to the planned experiments (BM@N, MPD) at NICA.

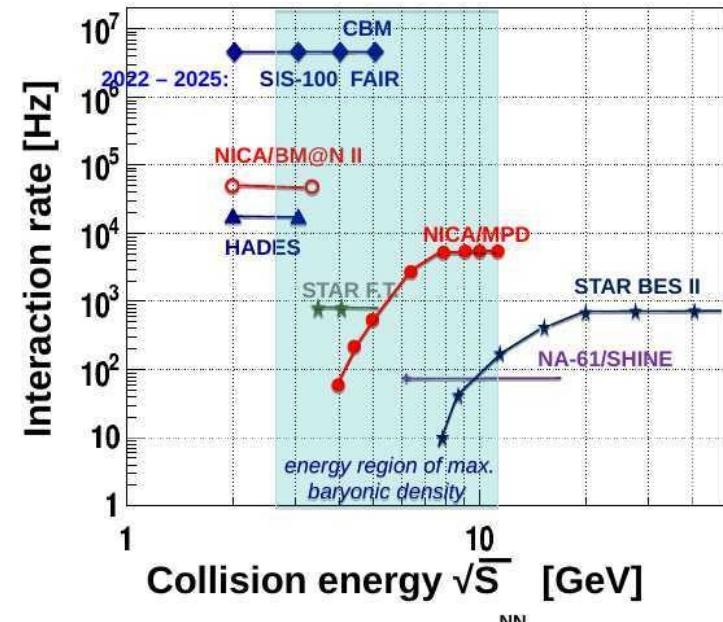
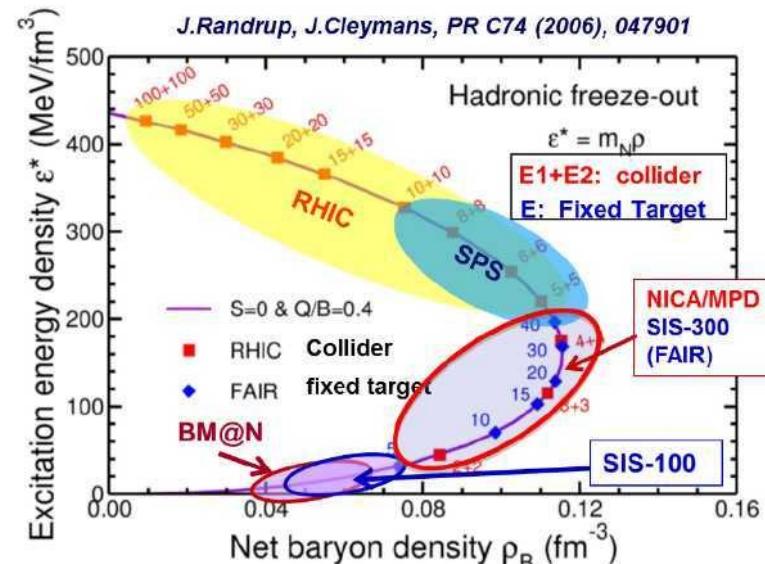
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NICA advantages

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MPD collaboration Meeting April, 2018

- ✓ Maximum in K^+/π^+ ratio is in the NICA energy region,
- ✓ Maximum in Λ/π ratio is in the NICA energy region,
- ✓ Maximum in the net baryon density is in the NICA energy region,
- ✓ Transition from a baryon dominated system to a meson dominated one happens in the NICA energy region.



Basic NICA milestones

- **2018** – start of **BM@N** experiment
- **2018** – start of **Booster** commissioning
- **2020** – completion of civil constructions (**b. 17**)
- **2019** – **MPD** magnet commissioning
- **2019** – start of **MPD** detectors assembly
- **2020** – start of **Collider** assembly
- **2020** – start of **Collider** commissioning
- **2020** – start of **MPD** commissioning
- **2020** – completion of «**Center NICA**» construction
- **2020** – start of assembly of **Computer center** elements

Thank you for attention



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to NICA physics