

SIMULATIONS OF HEAVY ION COLLISIONS WITH A QCD PHASE TRANSITION

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Today

- Motivation
- 3-fluid hydrodynamics
- Hybrid models
- Coarse graining

Tomorrow

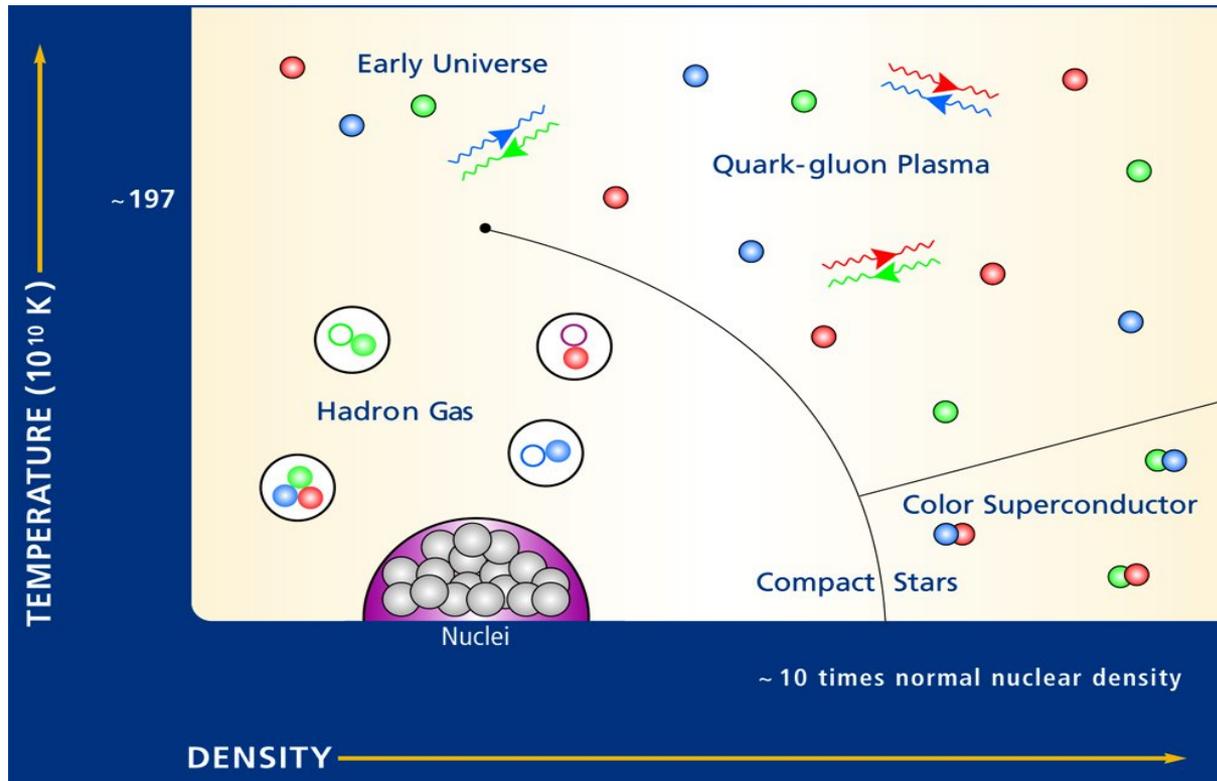
- Quark Molecular Dynamics
- Chiral Hydrodynamics
- Chiral Particle Dynamics

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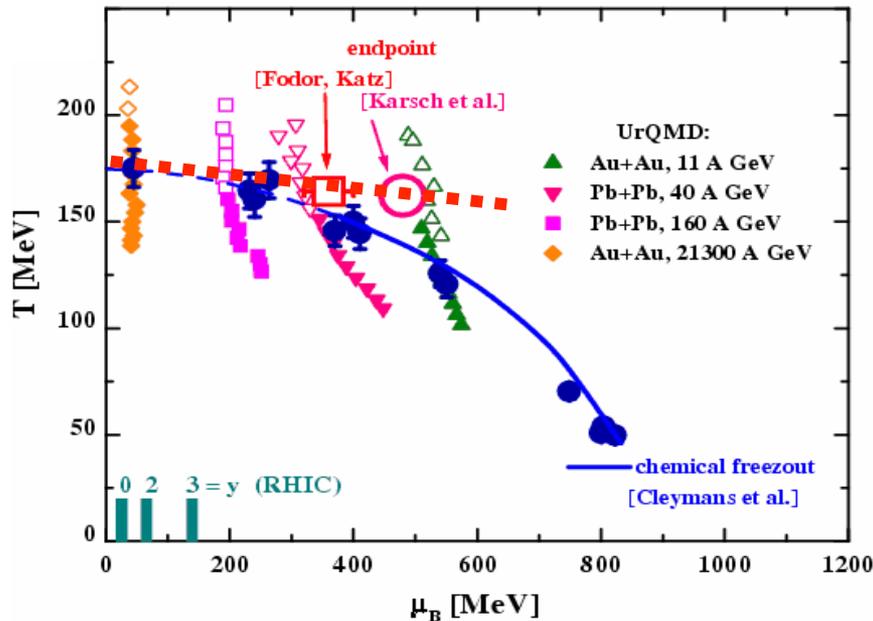
QCD Phase Diagram: Sketch

<http://www.ice.csic.es/en/graphics/phase.jpg>

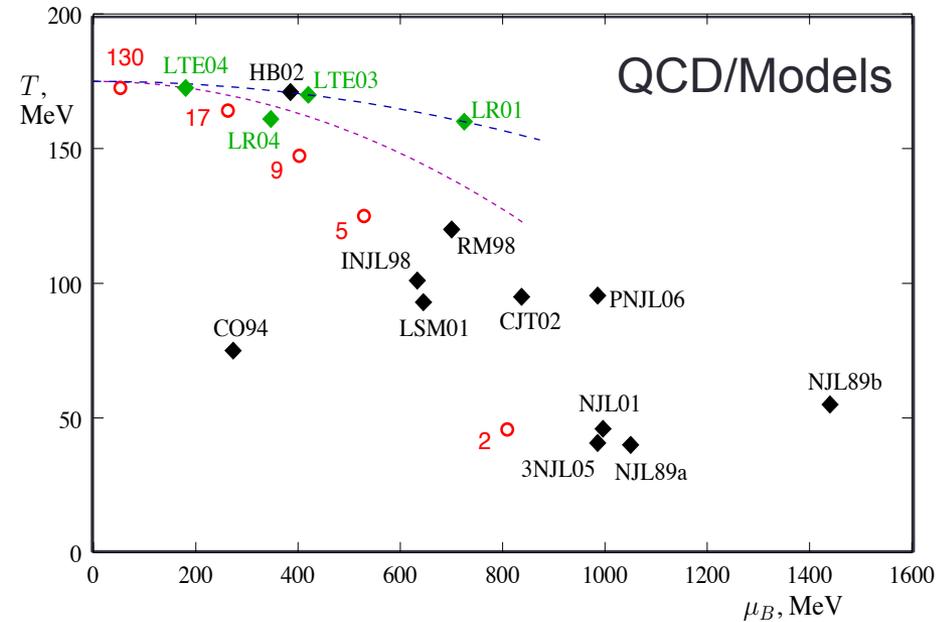


In heavy ion collisions heated and compressed nuclear matter is produced under controlled conditions

QCD Phase Diagram: „Reality“



L. Bravina, M.B., et al., JPG 1999
I. Arsene et al., PRC 2007



M. Stephanov PoS 2006

- Except for $\mu_B \rightarrow 0$, many features are unknown
- Order of PT, critical points, dof (Quarkyonic matter?)

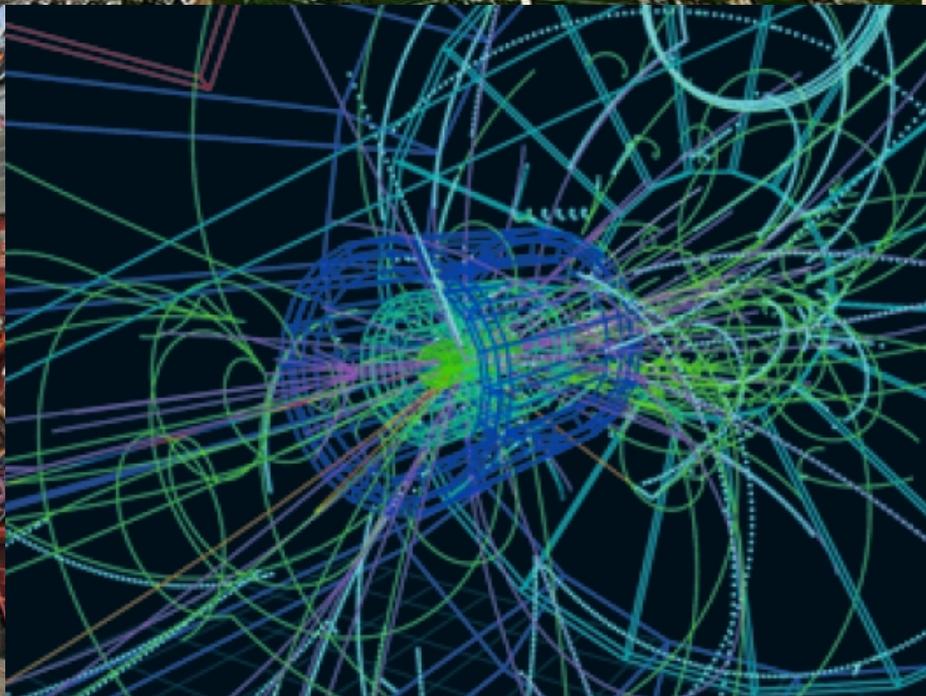
Signals of the Phase Transition

Potential Signals

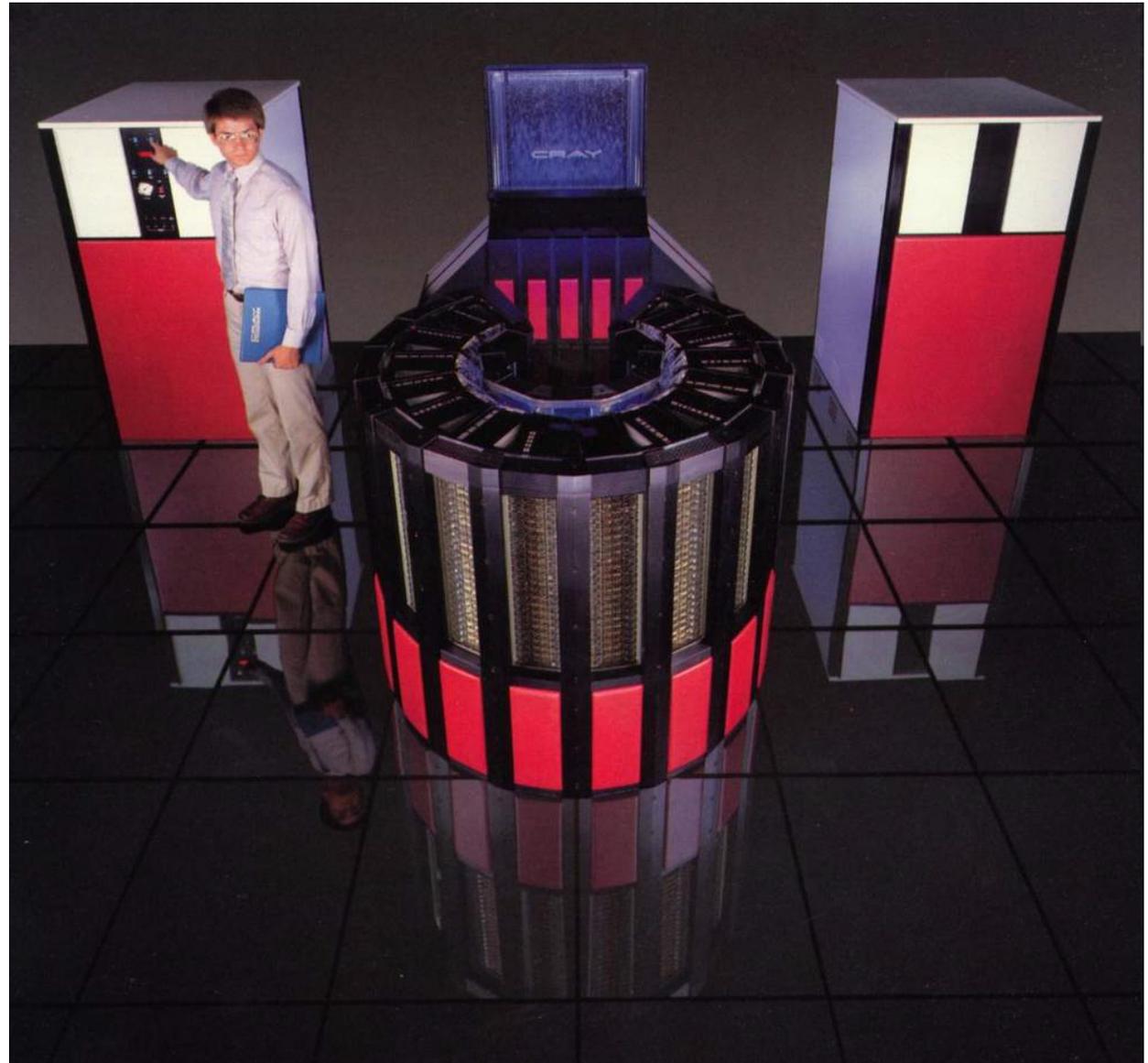
- Correlation length
- Fluctuations
- Softening of the EoS
- Delayed expansion
- Parton coalescence
- Change of the dof
- Entropy production
- Fragmentation

Potential Observables

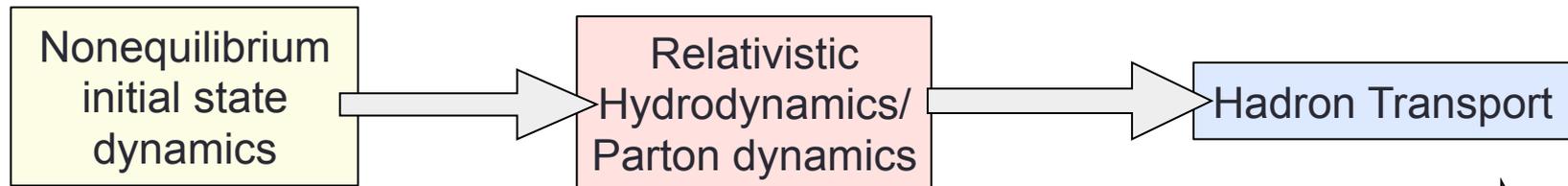
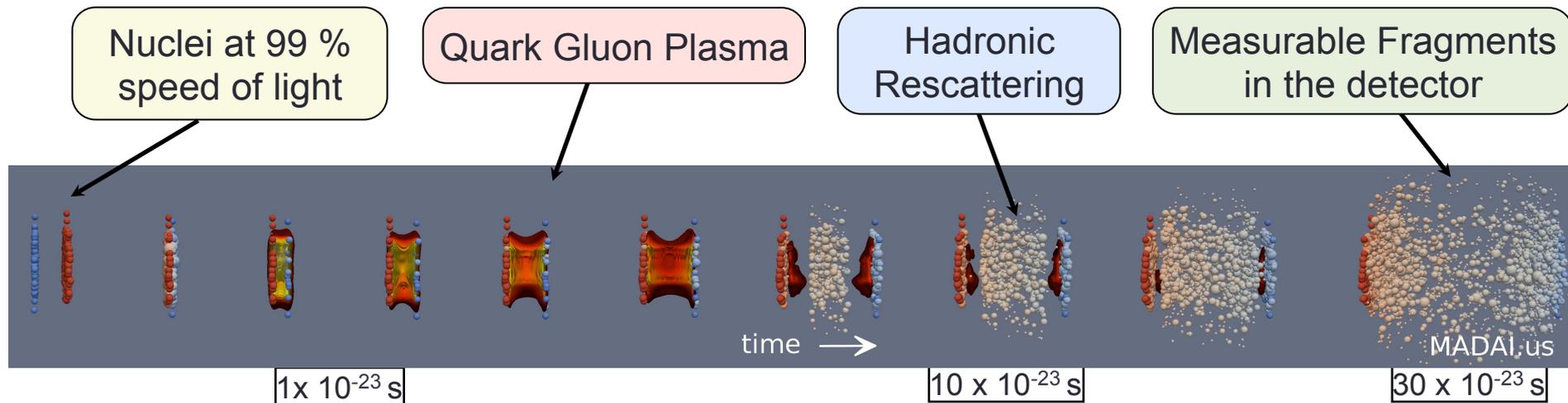
- Non-Gaussian fluctuations
- Charge ratio fluctuations
- Irregular v_1 vs E_{lab}
- HBT and/or Photons
- Elliptic flow, exotic mesons
- Thermalization
- Pion yield
- Cluster formation / v_n



Need for Simulations



Time Evolution of Heavy Ion Collisions



Hybrid approaches are very successful for the description of the dynamics

Models

Ab-initio simulations,
e.g. lattice QCD are not
possible for dynamical
systems

Effective approaches
are needed

Phase transitions out of
equilibrium are difficult
to describe

- Hybrid models
(UrQMD, NexSpherio, hydro+JAM,
MUSIC, Nonaka)
- 3 fluid hydrodynamics
(Ivanov, Brachmann)
- Multi-phase models (AMPT)
- Quark molecular dynamics
(qMD, Martens)
- Parton Cascades + Coales.
(Molnar)
- Chiral hydrodynamics
(Dumitru, Nahrgang)

THREE FLUID HYDRO

Motivation

1-fluid hydrodynamics

- Instantaneous local equilibration between projectile and target nuclei
- → unrealistically large energy densities (pressure) and baryon densities
- → too large flow

3-fluid hydrodynamics

- Set-up: Target and projectile nuclei (fluid 1+2). Fluid 3: Fireball
- Introduce gradual deceleration, pump energy into fireball fluid
- Merge fluids when locally in equilibrium
- → realistic energy and baryon densities

Equations of motion

Split Energy-Momentum Tensor and currents into individual fluids

Introduce source terms for the coupling

Solve larger set of equations, including conservation equations for total energy and current

From 1-fluid equations to 3-fluids:

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad T^{\mu\nu} = (\epsilon + p)u^\mu u^\nu - pg^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\partial_\mu j_i^\mu = 0 \quad j^\mu = nu^\mu$$

Split T and j into different fluids:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T_1^{\mu\nu} + T_2^{\mu\nu} + \dots + T_N^{\mu\nu} \quad ,$$

$$j^\mu = j_1^\mu + j_2^\mu + \dots + j_N^\mu \quad .$$

Each individual T and j is not conserved (source terms)

$$\partial_\mu T_l^{\mu\nu} = F_l^\nu \quad , \quad F_1^\nu + F_2^\nu + \dots + F_N^\nu = 0$$

$$\partial_\mu j_l^\mu = S_l \quad S_1 + S_2 + \dots + S_N = 0$$

Mishustin et al, NPA 494 (1989) 595

Toneev et al, Phys.Part.Nucl.Lett. 2 (2005) 288

Brachmann et al, NPAA619 (1997) 391

Coupling between the fluids

Split Energy-Momentum
Tensor and currents into
individual fluids

Introduce source terms for
the coupling

Solve larger set of
equations, including
conservation equations for
total energy and current

Energy/momentum loss of fluid I per time per volume
via the collision rate

$$F_I^\nu = n_1 n_2 \left\langle v_{Møller} \int_{\tilde{p}'_{||} > 0} d\sigma_{NN \rightarrow NX} (p' - p)^\nu \right\rangle, \quad v_{Møller} = \sqrt{(u_1^\mu u_{2\mu})^2 - 1}$$

$$d\sigma_{NN \rightarrow NX} = \sigma_{NN \rightarrow NX}^{inv} \frac{d^3 p'}{E'}$$

Splitting the integral into moments yields
(E', p' are after the collision) and neglecting $\langle . \rangle$

$$F_1^\nu = \frac{1}{2} n_1 n_2 v_{Møller} [(p_2 - p_1)^\nu \sigma_P(s) - (p_2 + p_1)^\nu \sigma_E(s)]$$

$$F_2^\nu = \frac{1}{2} n_2 n_1 v_{Møller} [(p_1 - p_2)^\nu \sigma_P(s) - (p_1 + p_2)^\nu \sigma_E(s)]$$

$$\sigma_E(s) = \int_{\tilde{p}'_{||} > 0} d\sigma_{NN \rightarrow NX} \left(1 - \frac{\tilde{E}'}{\tilde{E}} \right), \quad \sigma_P(s) = \int_{\tilde{p}'_{||} > 0} d\sigma_{NN \rightarrow NX} \left(1 - \frac{\tilde{p}'_{||}}{\tilde{p}_{||}} \right)$$

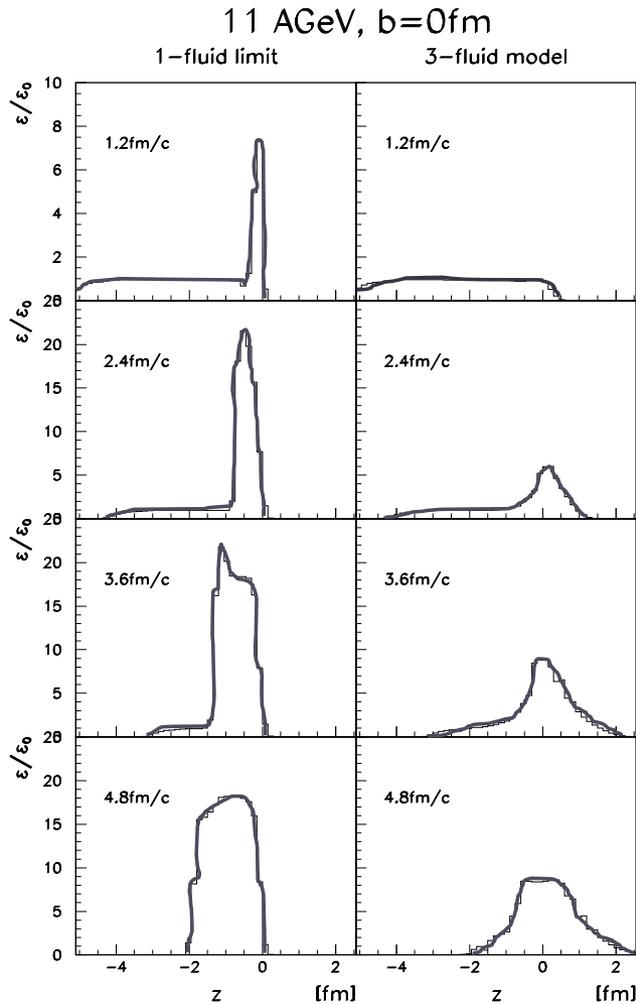
Sigma_E and sigma_P are parametrized
from experimental data

(for details see ref. ⁸))

8) L.M. Satarov, preprint IAE-4562/2, Moscow, 1988

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Energy deposition of the Projectiles



1-fluid/3-fluid comparison

- Less energy density
- Transition of the projectile
- Different time of highest compression
- → Less flow
- → Lower temperatures

3 minute break

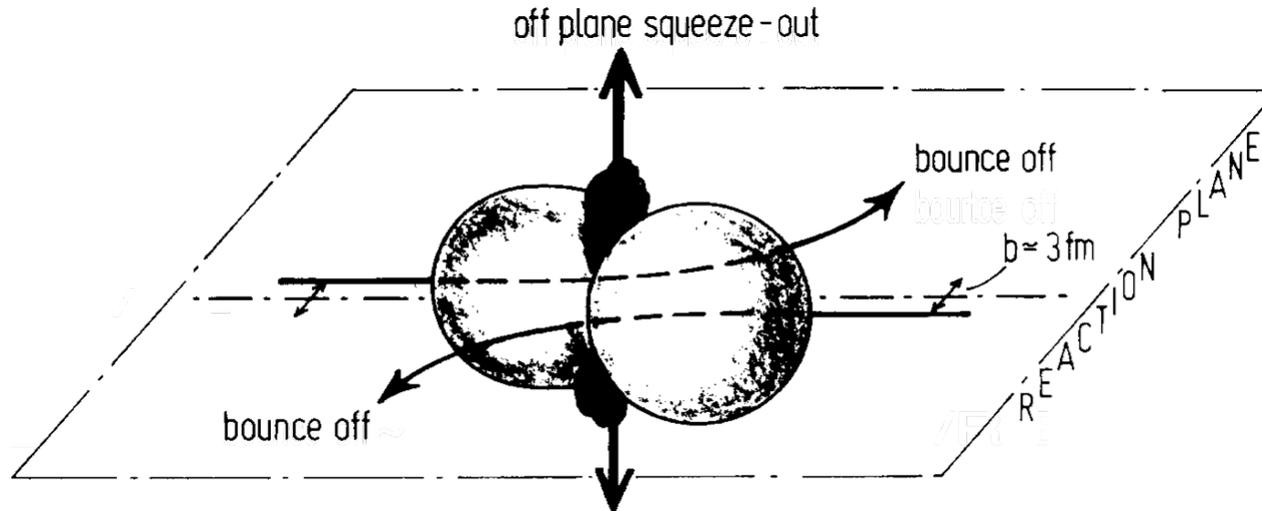
- Discuss with your neighbor

how to measure the pressure in the
central collision region

THREE FLUID HYDRO

Results

Directed Flows



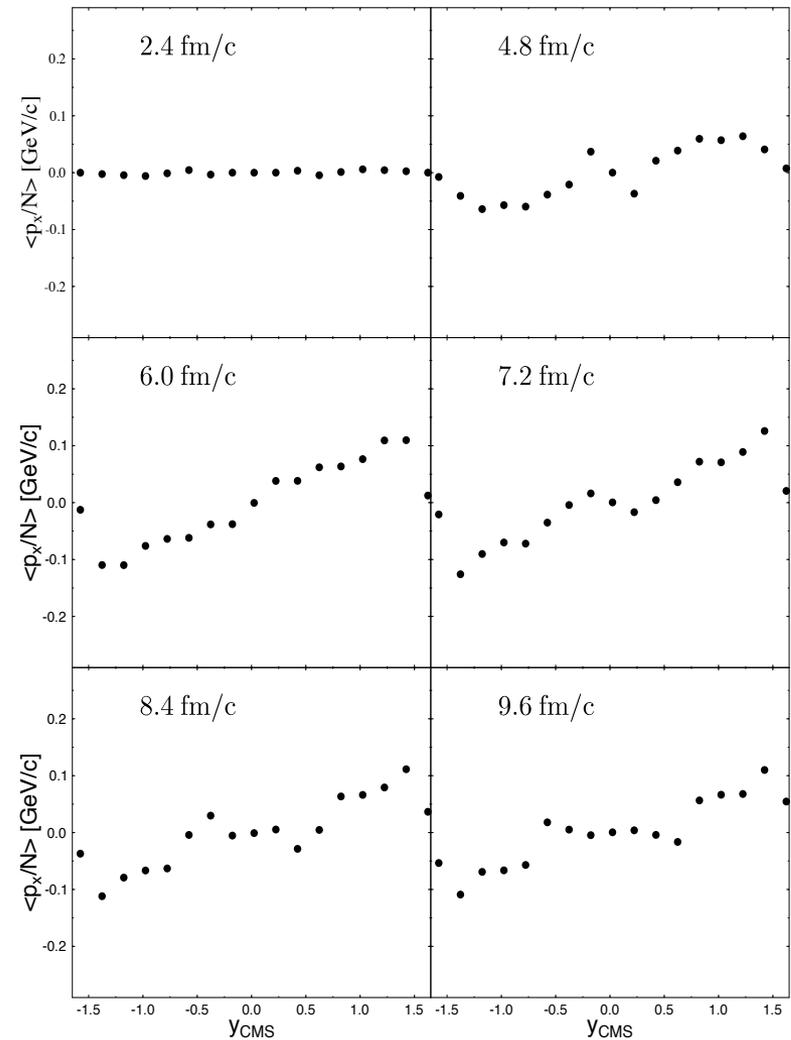
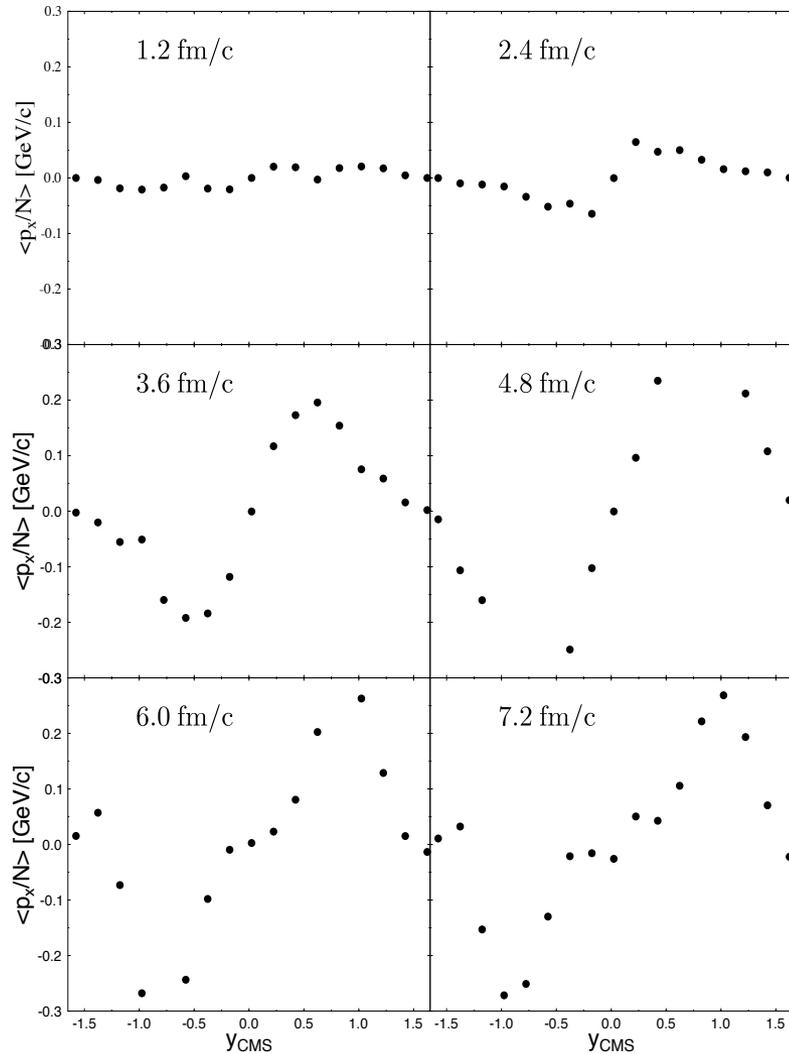
- The squeeze-out (v_2) and the bounce-off (v_1) are related to the pressure of the system

$$\mathbf{p} \propto \int_t \int_A P(\rho, S) d\mathbf{A} dt .$$

Directed Flow (aka v1)

Au+Au (11 AGeV), b=3fm, 1-Fluid-Limit

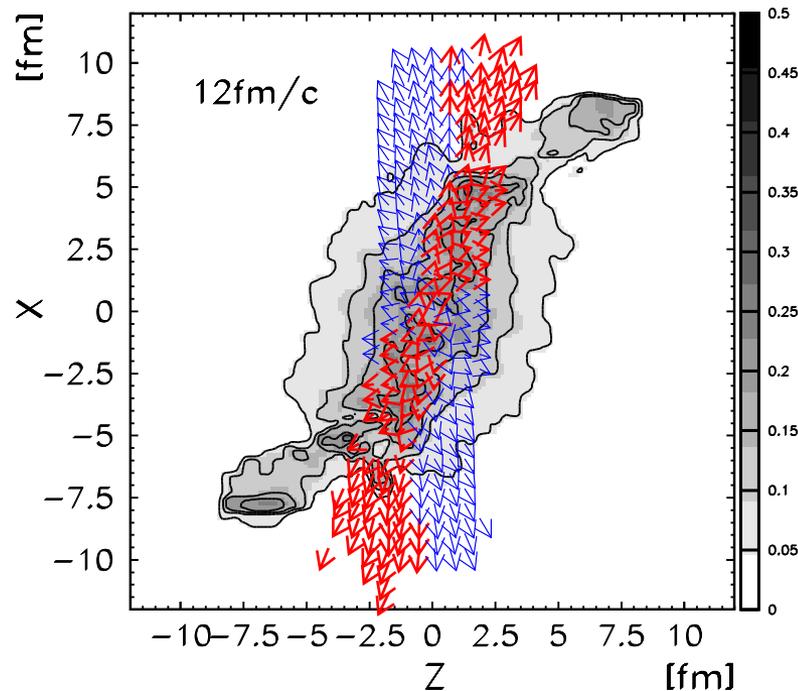
Au+Au (11 AGeV), b=3fm, 3-Fluid-Mode



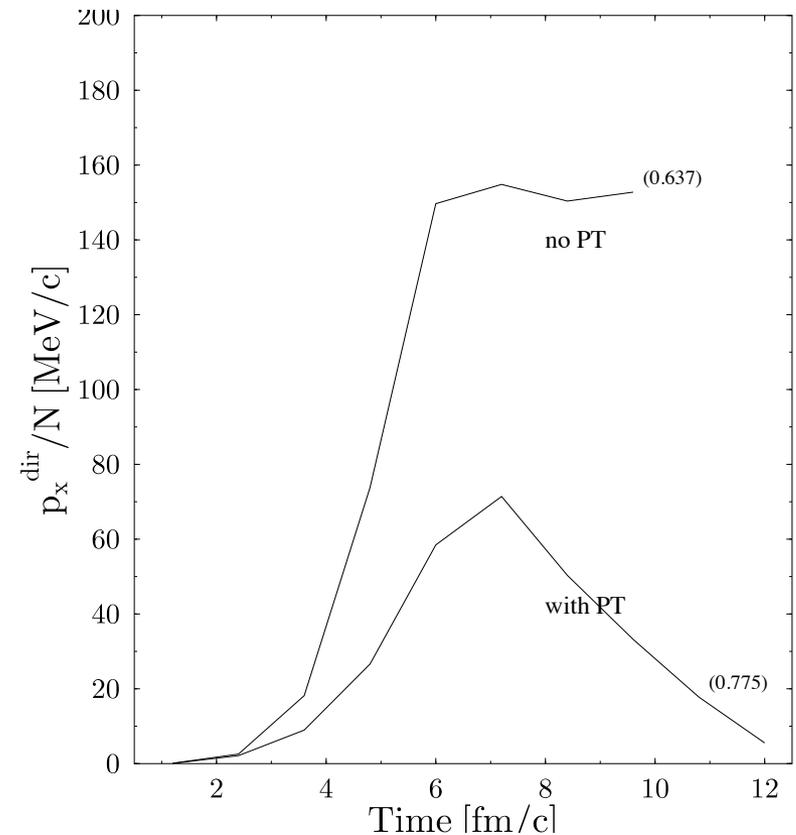
Directed Flow

Definition and interpretation

$$\frac{p_x^{\text{dir}}}{N} \equiv \left(\int dy \frac{dN}{dy} \right)^{-1} \int dy \frac{dN}{dy} \left\langle \frac{p_x}{N}(y) \right\rangle \text{sgn}(y)$$

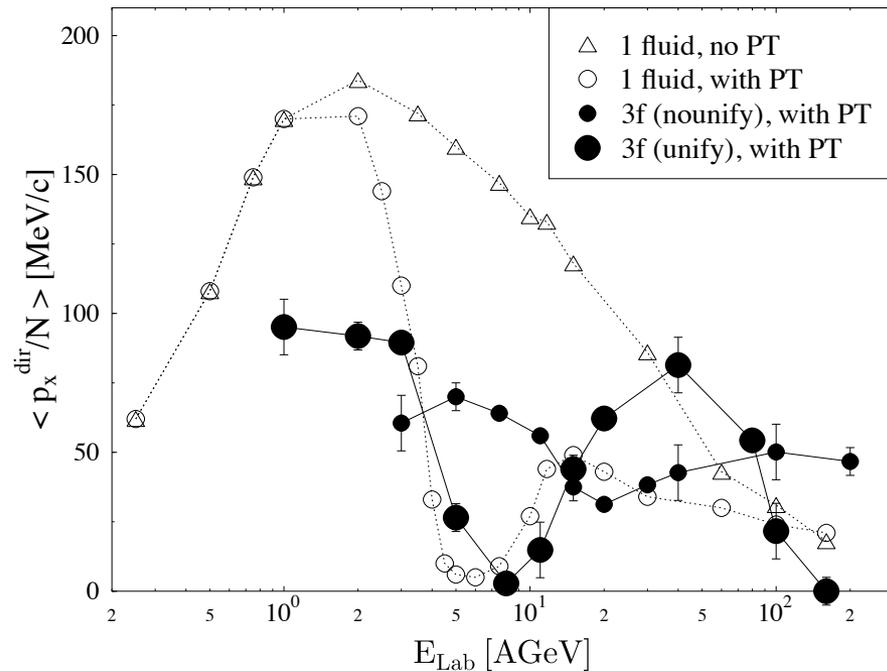


Time dependence



Directed Flow Excitation Function

1-fluid/3-fluid Comparison

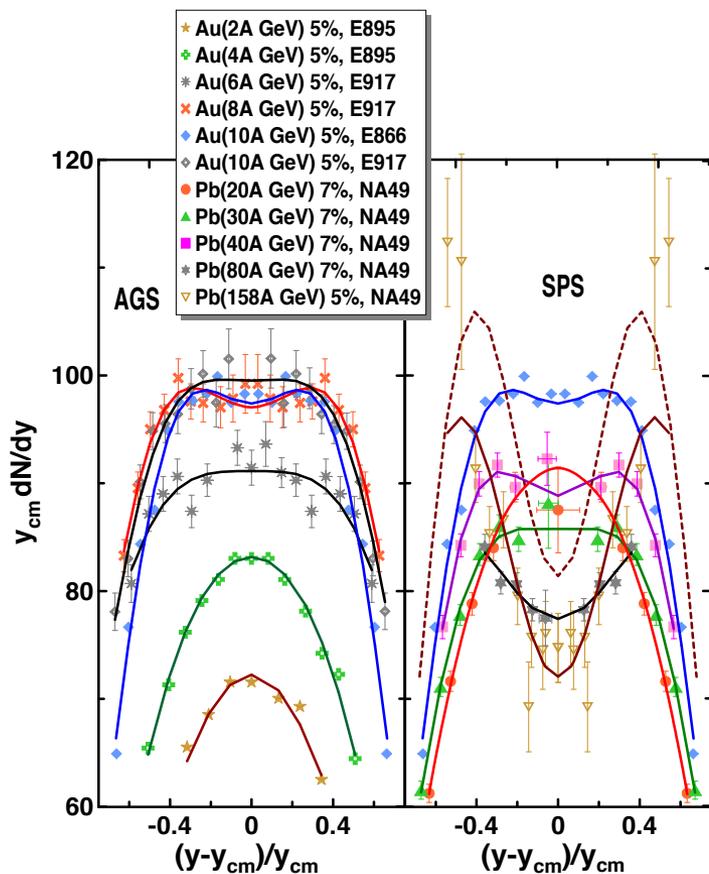


Importance of fluid unification

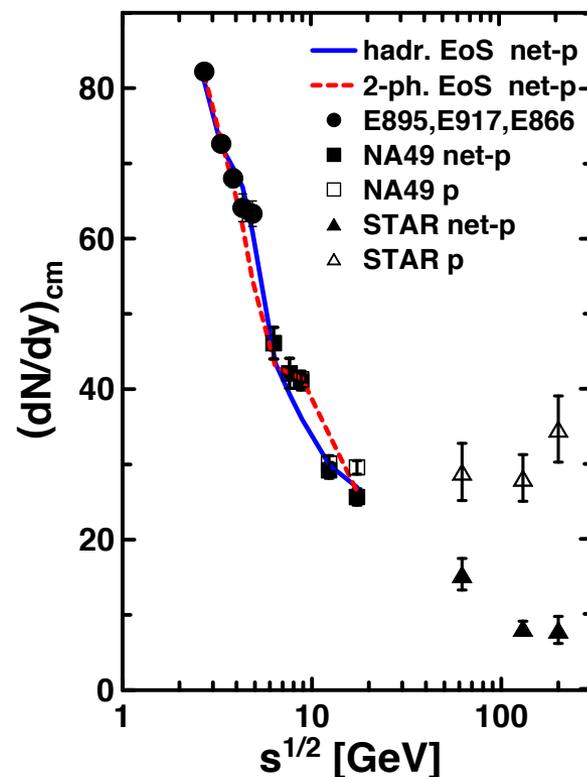
- Shift of the flow minimum
- Disappearance of the minimum, if unification of the fluids is not included!
- Minimum (softest point) in reach of NICA

Stopping and Rapidity Densities

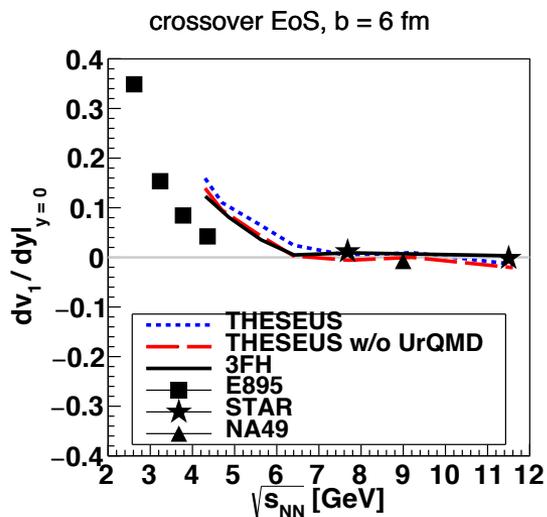
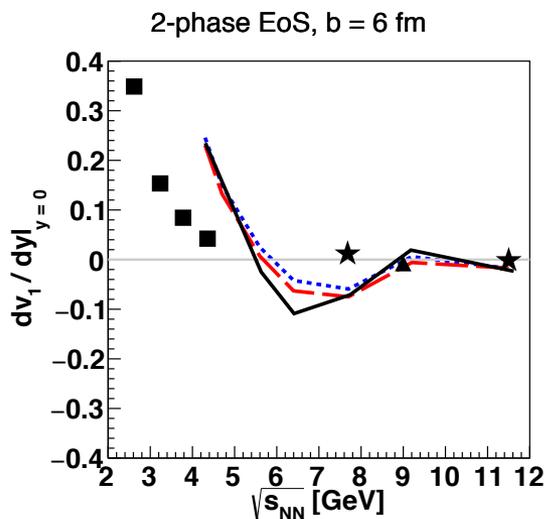
Proton rapidity spectra



Midrapidity proton yields

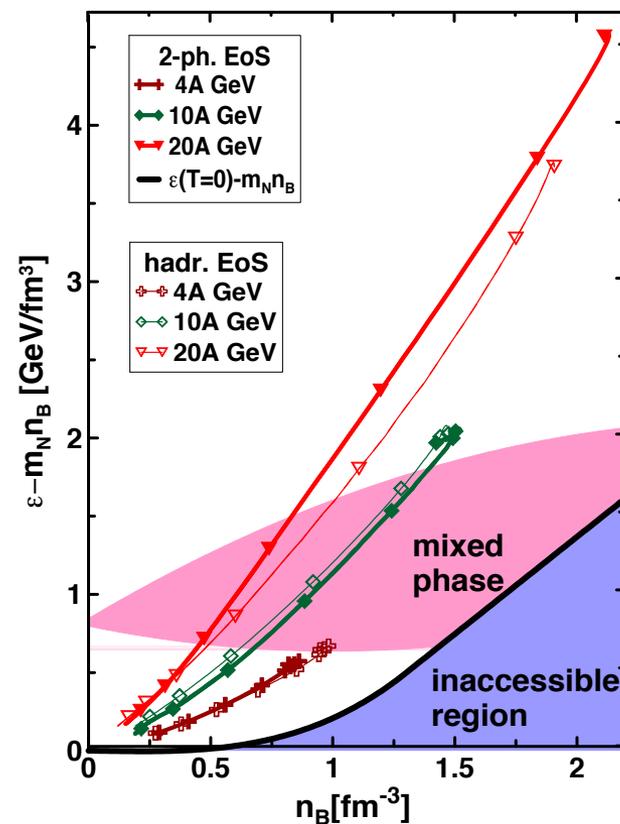


Flow excitation function: Irregularities



P. Batyuk et al, Phys.Rev. C94 (2016) 044917

Coincides with mixed phase



HYBRID APPROACHES

UrQMD hybrid model as an example

Hybrid Approaches

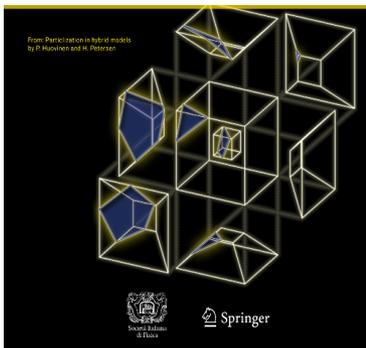
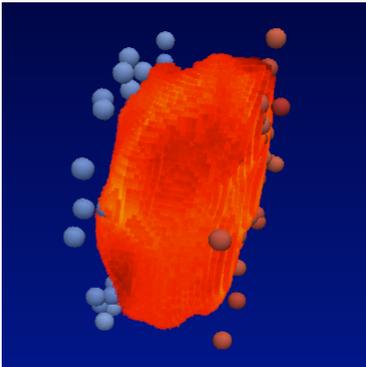
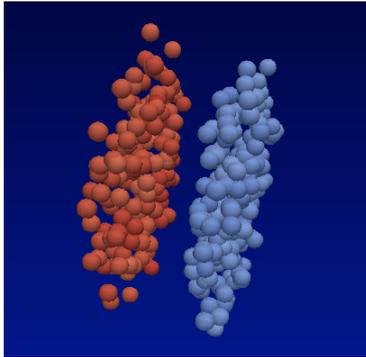
Combines relativistic hydrodynamics with relativistic Boltzmann equation.

Phase transition proceeds in hydro stage

Assumption:
local equilibrium

- 2D hydro +UrQMD
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F. Grassi, T. Kodama, Y. Hama,
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UrQMD hybrid approach



- Initial State:
 - Initialization of two nuclei
 - Non-equilibrium hadron-string dynamics
 - Initial state fluctuations are included naturally

- 3+1d Hydro +EoS:
 - **SHASTA** ideal relativistic fluid dynamics
 - Net baryon density is explicitly propagated
 - Equation of state at finite μ_B

- Final State:
 - Hypersurface at constant energy density
 - Hadronic rescattering and resonance decays within UrQMD

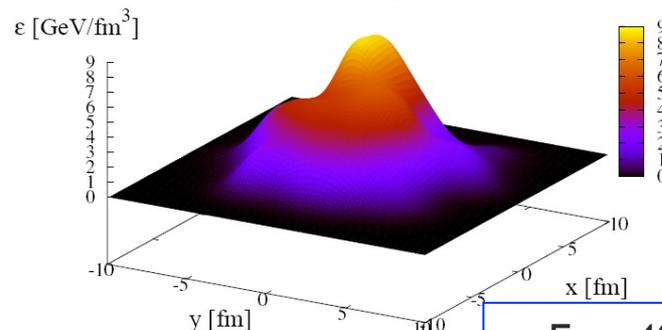
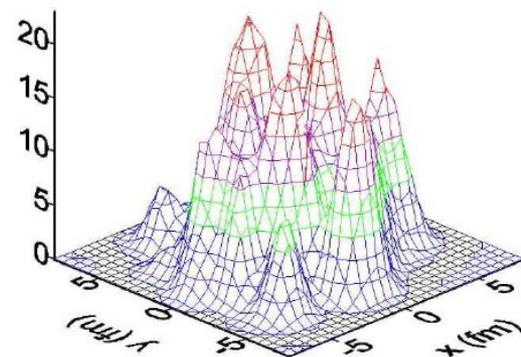
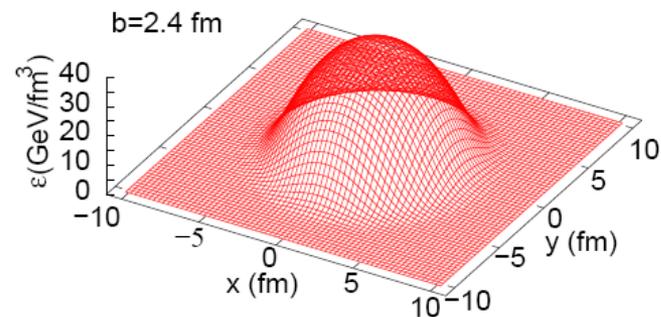
Initial State

(J.Steinheimer et al.,
PRC 77,034901,2008)

- Contracted nuclei have passed through each other

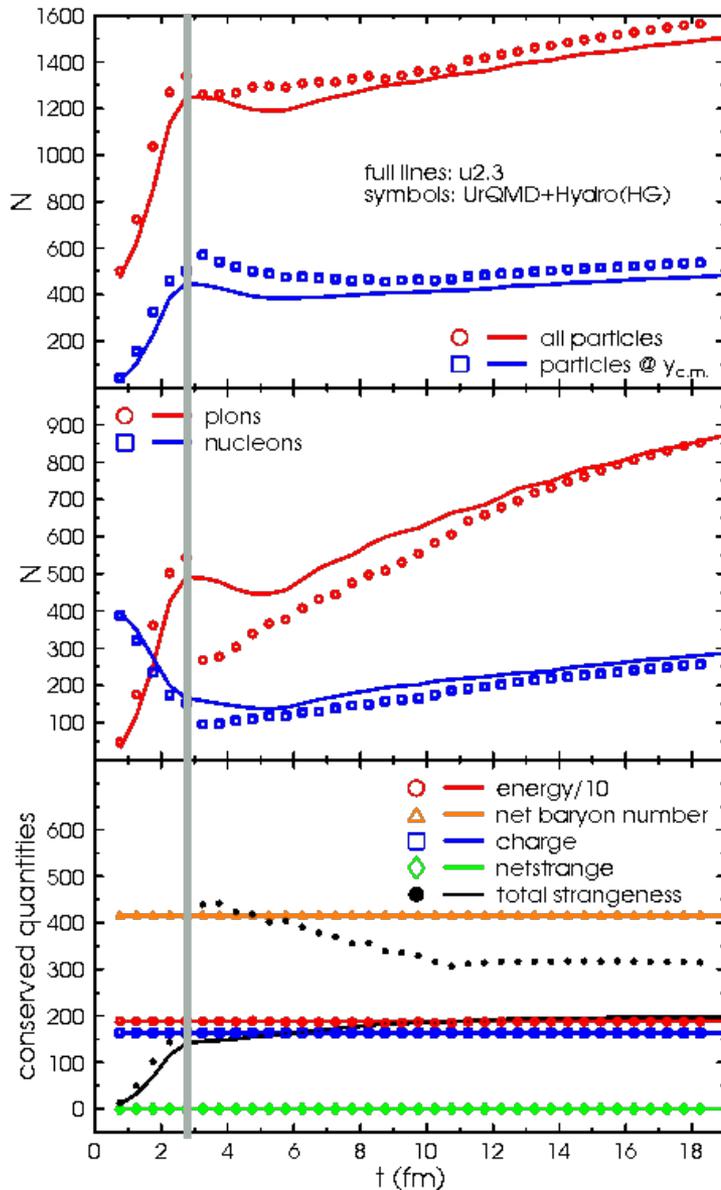
$$t_{start} = \frac{2R}{\gamma v}$$

- Energy is deposited
- Baryon currents have separated
- Energy-, momentum- and baryon number densities are mapped onto the hydro grid
- **Event-by-event fluctuations** are taken into account
- Spectators are propagated separately in the cascade



$E_{lab} = 40$ AGeV
 $b = 0$ fm

(nucl-th/0607018, nucl-th/0511021)



Time Evolution

Central Pb+Pb collisions at 40A GeV:

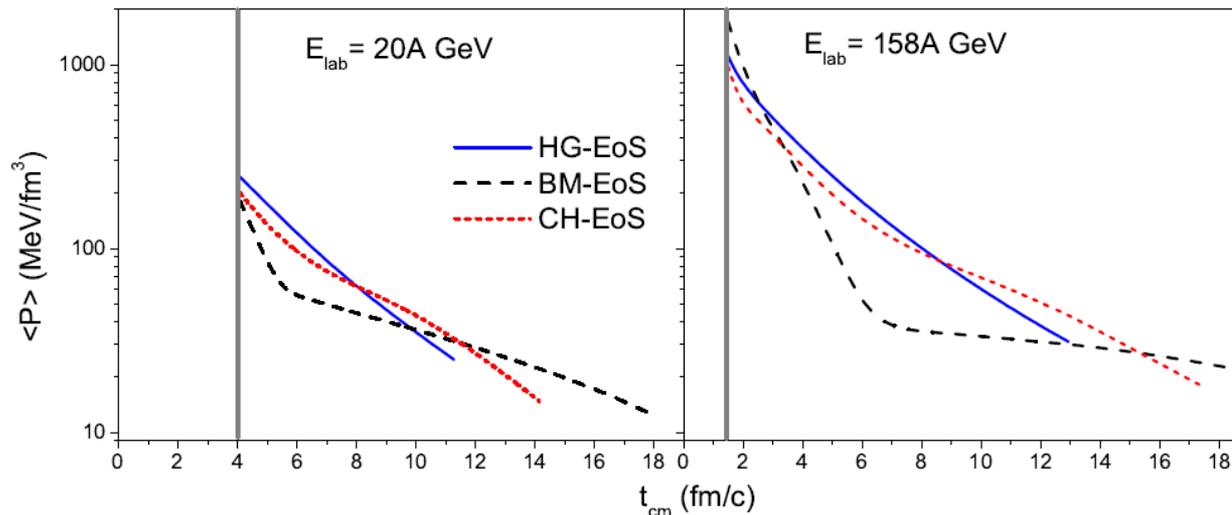
- Number of particles decreases in the beginning due to resonance creation
 - Qualitative behaviour very similar in both calculations
- UrQMD equilibrates to a rather large degree

Equations of State

Ideal relativistic one fluid dynamics:

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_\mu (nu^\mu) = 0$$

- **HG: Hadron gas** including the same degrees of freedom as in UrQMD (all hadrons with masses up to 2.2 GeV)
- **CH: Chiral EoS** from quark-meson model with first order transition and critical endpoint
- **BM: Bag Model EoS** with a strong first order phase transition between QGP and hadronic phase



D. Rischke et al.,
NPA 595, 346, 1995,

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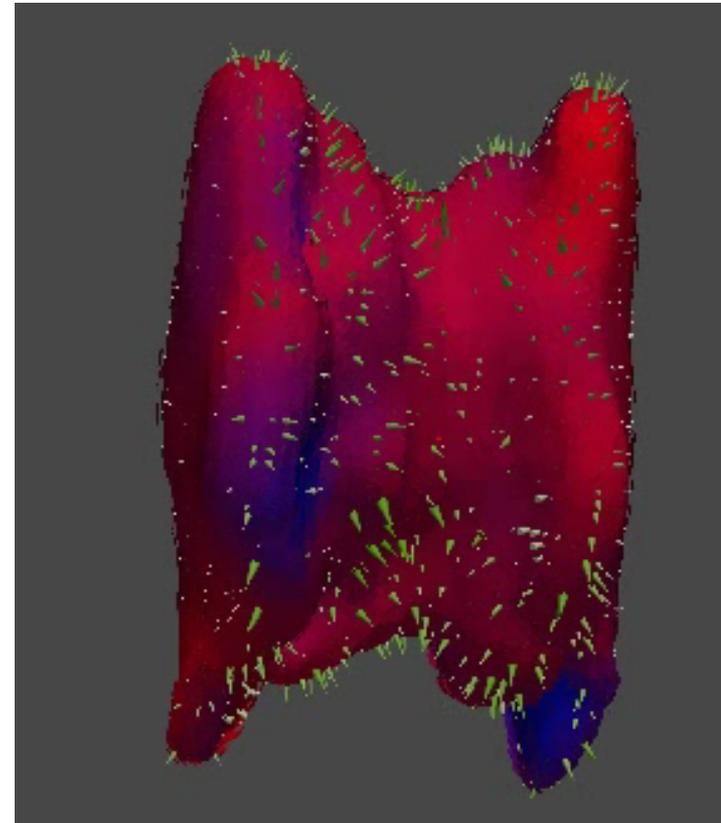
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Hadronization, Particlization, Decoupling

Particlization

- Experiment: **finite number** of hadrons in detectors (conservation laws!)
 - **Hadronization** controlled by the equation of state
 - Sampling of particles
→ **Cooper-Frye** equation:
- $$E \frac{dN}{d^3p} = \int_{\sigma} f(x, p) p^{\mu} d\sigma_{\mu}$$
- → **E, p, t, x** on hypersurface

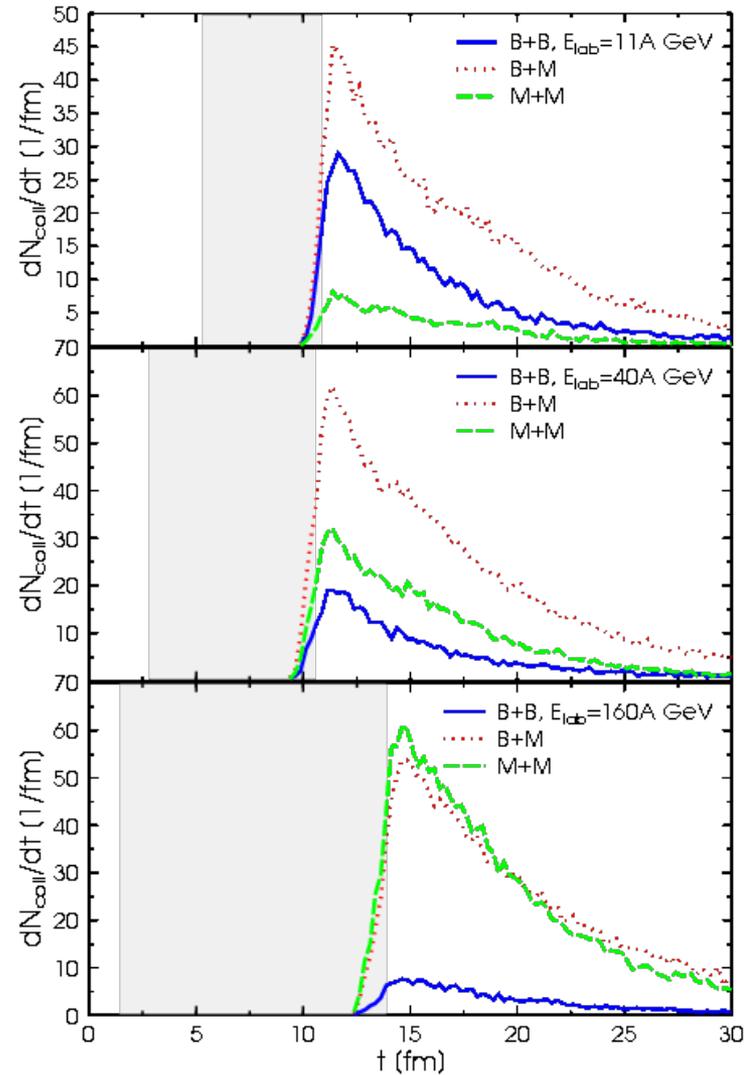
Sophisticated event-by-event
3D hypersurface



Decoupling stage

Collisions and decays

- Final propagation via Relativistic Boltzmann equation: $(p^\mu \partial_\mu) f = I_{coll}$
- Substantial amount of final state interactions
- Decoupling duration is on the order of 5 fm/c (central Au+Au/Pb+Pb)



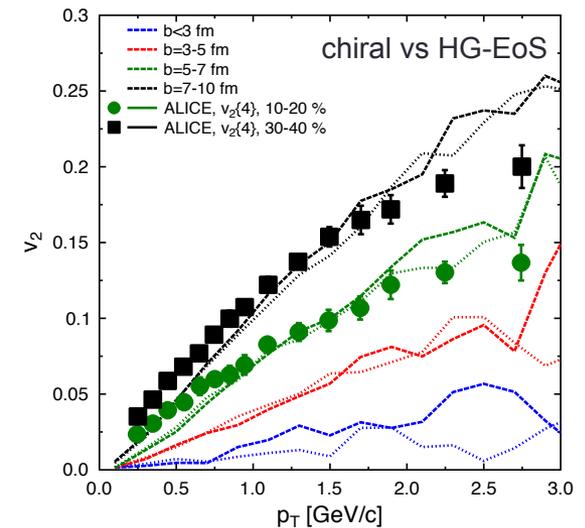
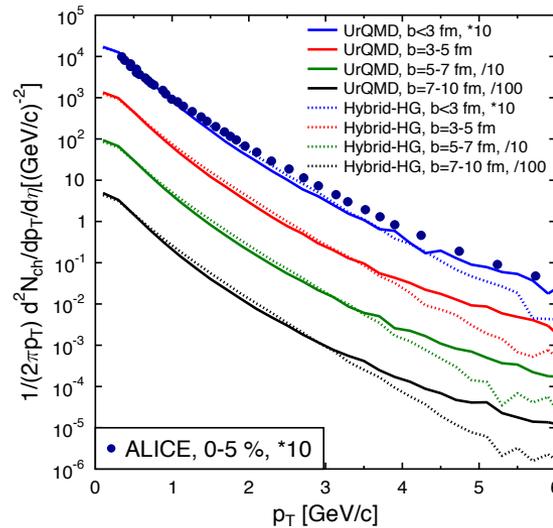
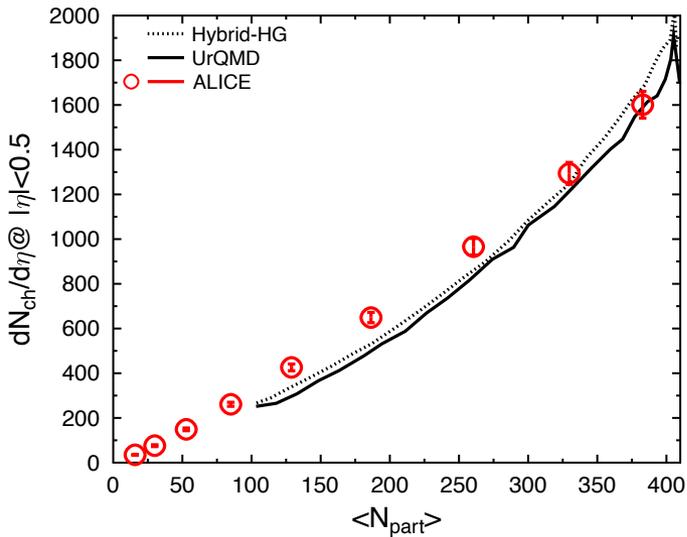
3 minute break

- Discuss with your neighbor

problems at the interfaces between different stages

HYBRID APPROACHES

Results



Hybrid model
at LHC
(Pb+Pb, 2.76 TeV)

Excellent description of

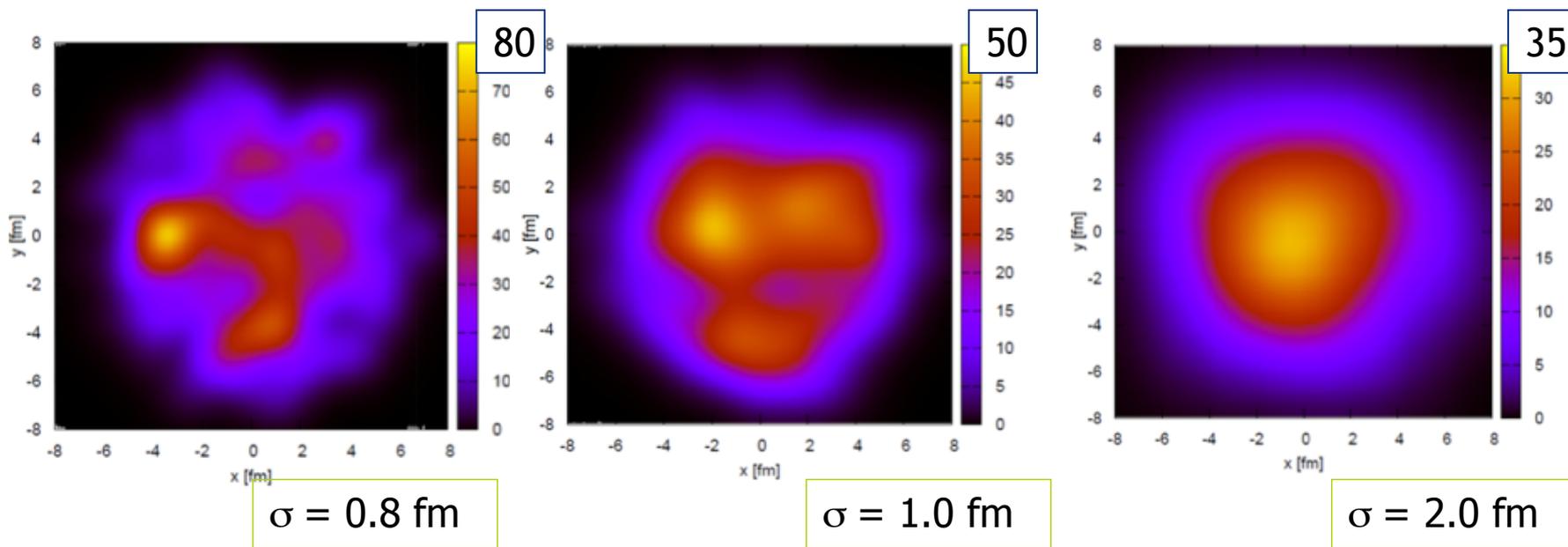
- centrality dependence
- transverse momenta
- elliptic flow.

Initial State

- Energy-, momentum- and baryon number densities are mapped onto the hydro grid using for each particle

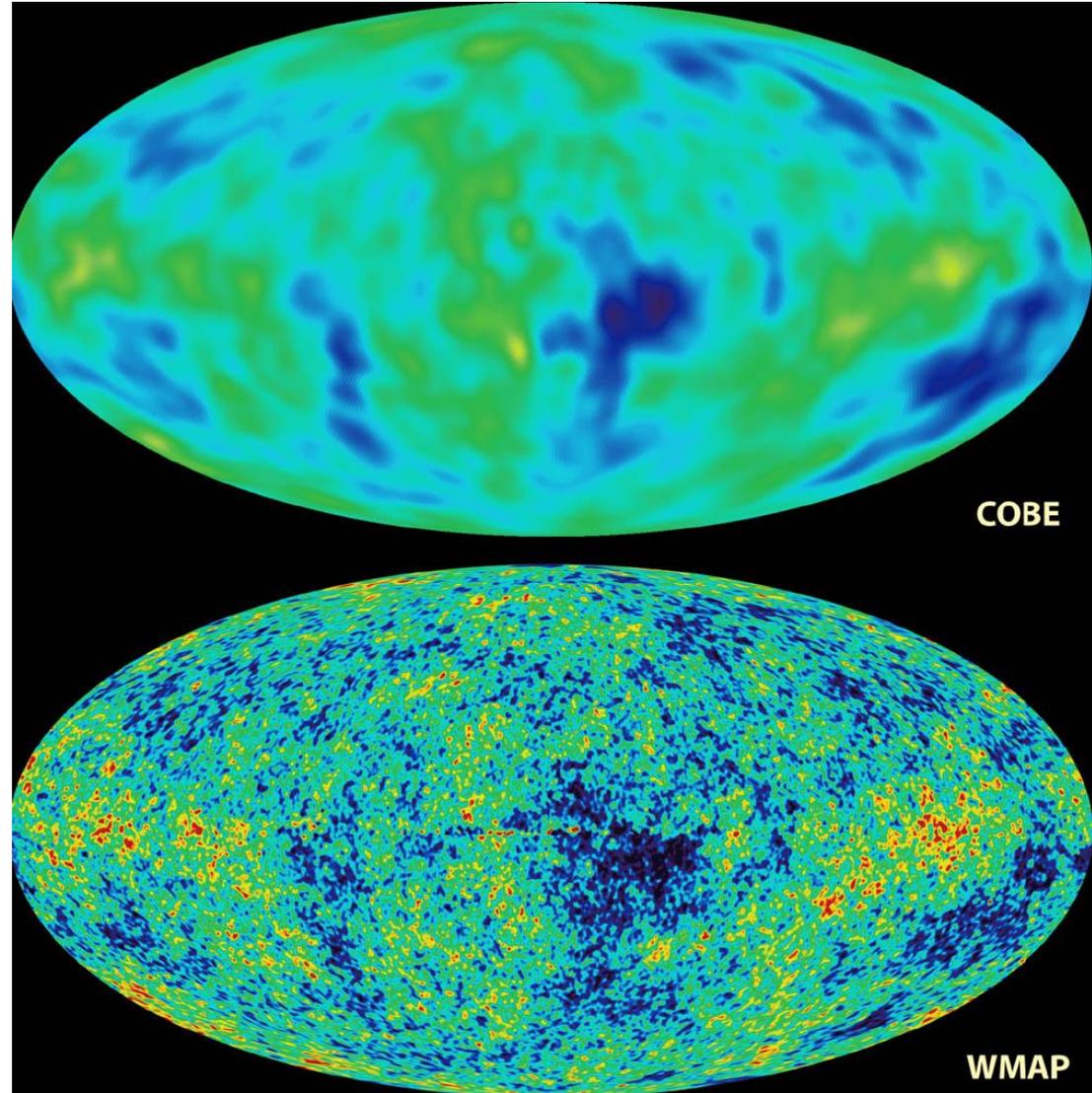
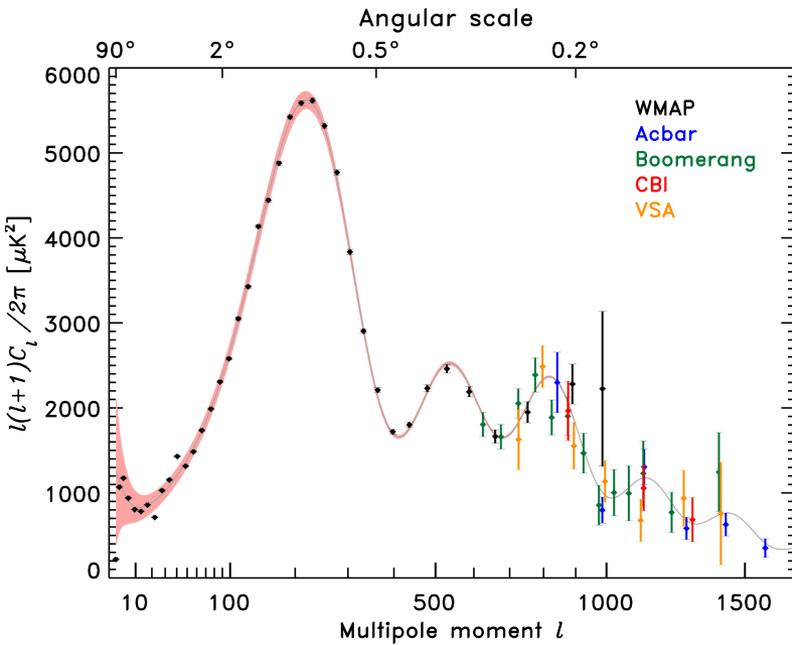
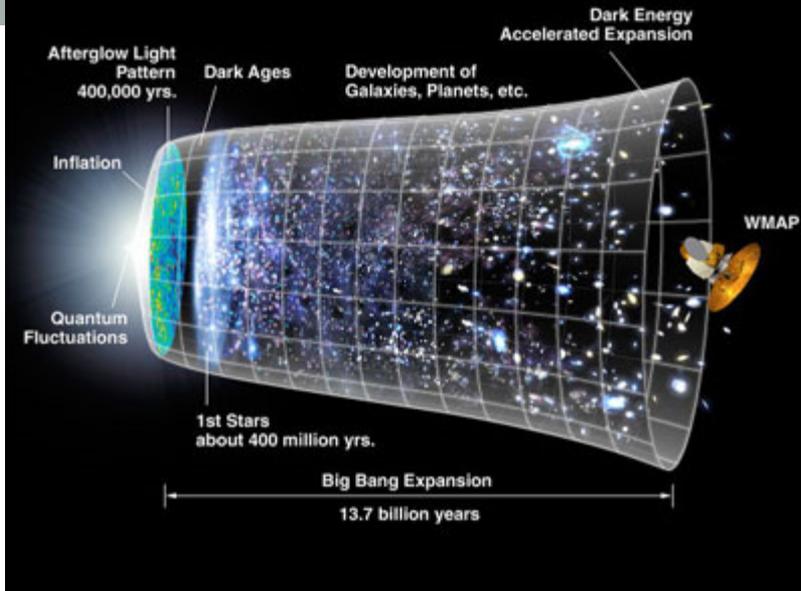
$$\epsilon(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{\gamma_z}{\sigma^3} E_p \exp - \frac{(x - x_p)^2 + (y - y_p)^2 + (\gamma_z(z - z_p))^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

- Changing σ leads to different granularities, but also changes in the overall profile



- How does changing the starting time affect the picture?

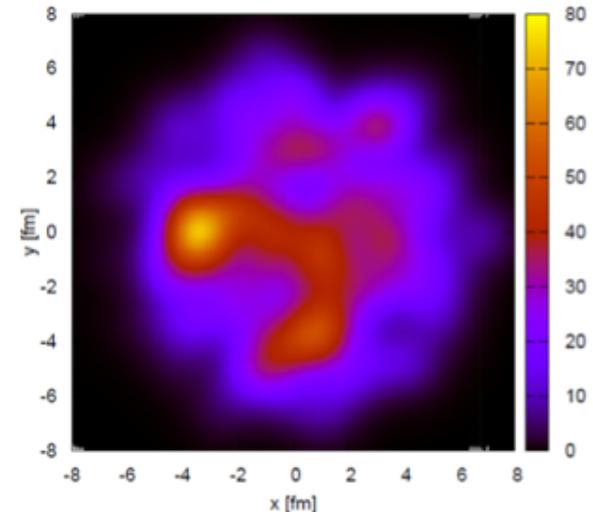
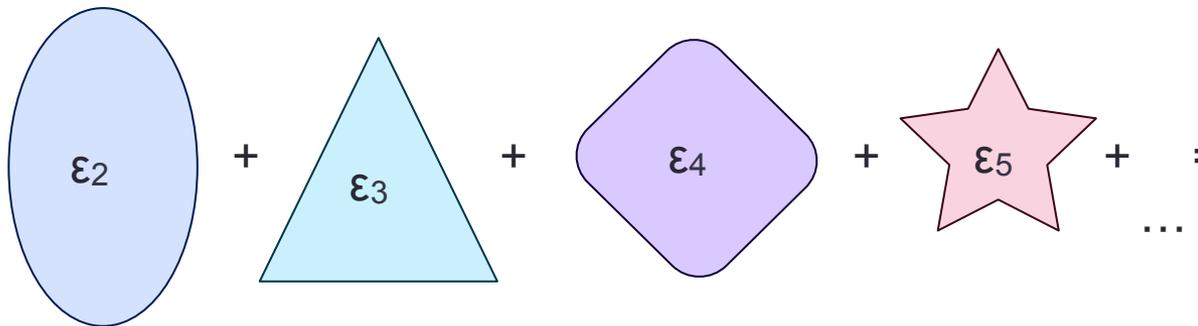
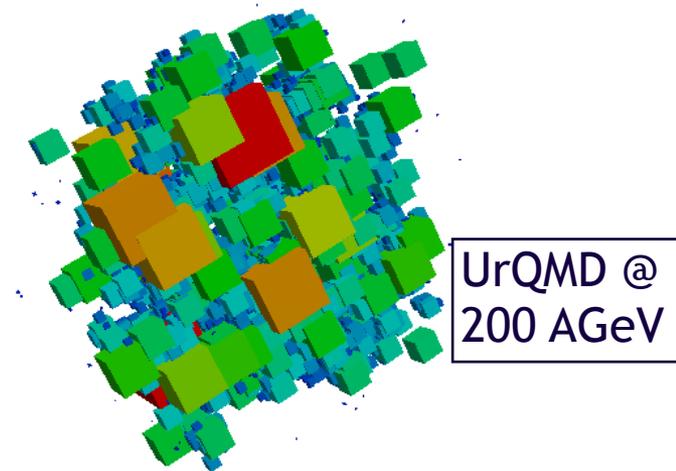
Idea: Angular correlation



From H. Petersen

Sources of Fluctuations

- Granularity is driven by
 - position of nucleons
 - distribution of collisions
 - type of interaction
 - degree of thermalization
- How to quantify the fluctuating shape of the initial state?
 → Fourier-expansion in position space

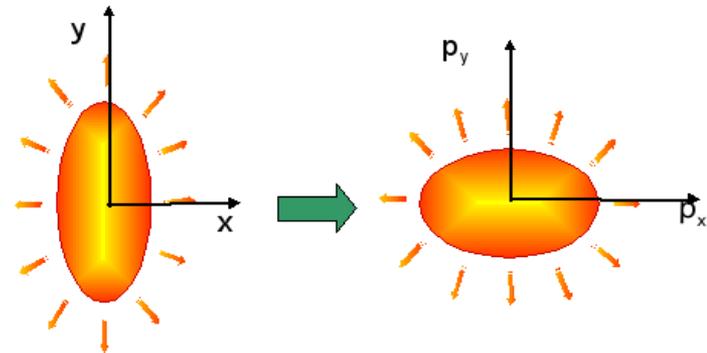


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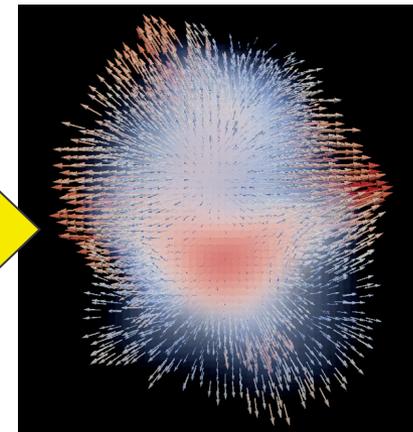
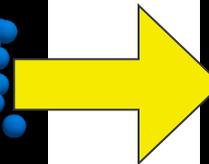
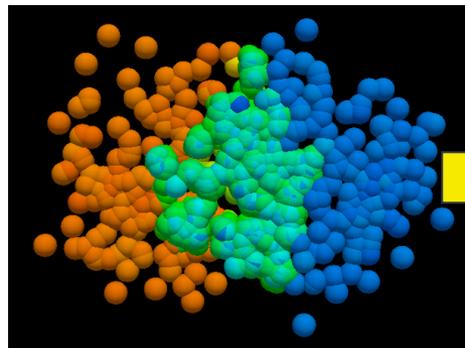
Anisotropic Flow – Higher Order Fourier Coefficients

Simplified picture:

Position-space anisotropy
→ Momentum-space anisotropy



Real picture:
Complicated state,
mean free paths,...

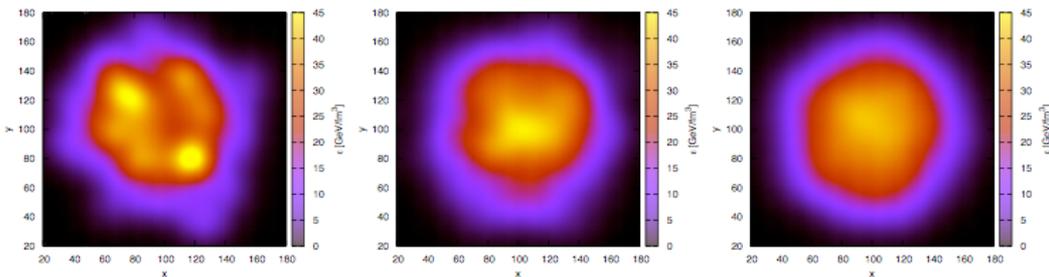


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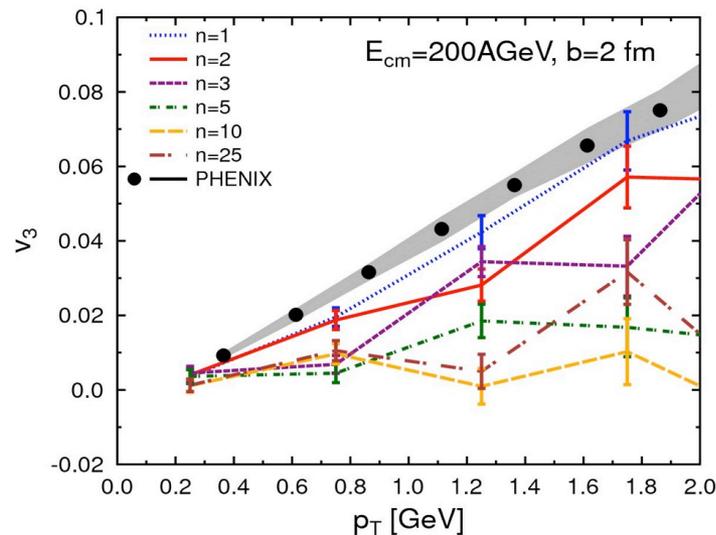
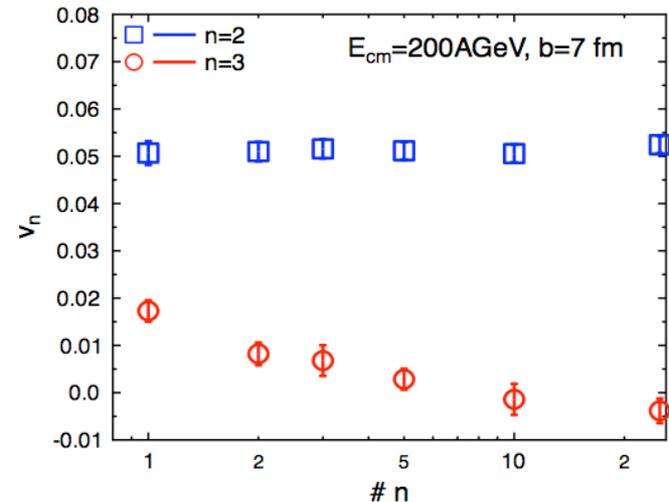
Use these coefficients to learn about the initial state

Constraining Granularity

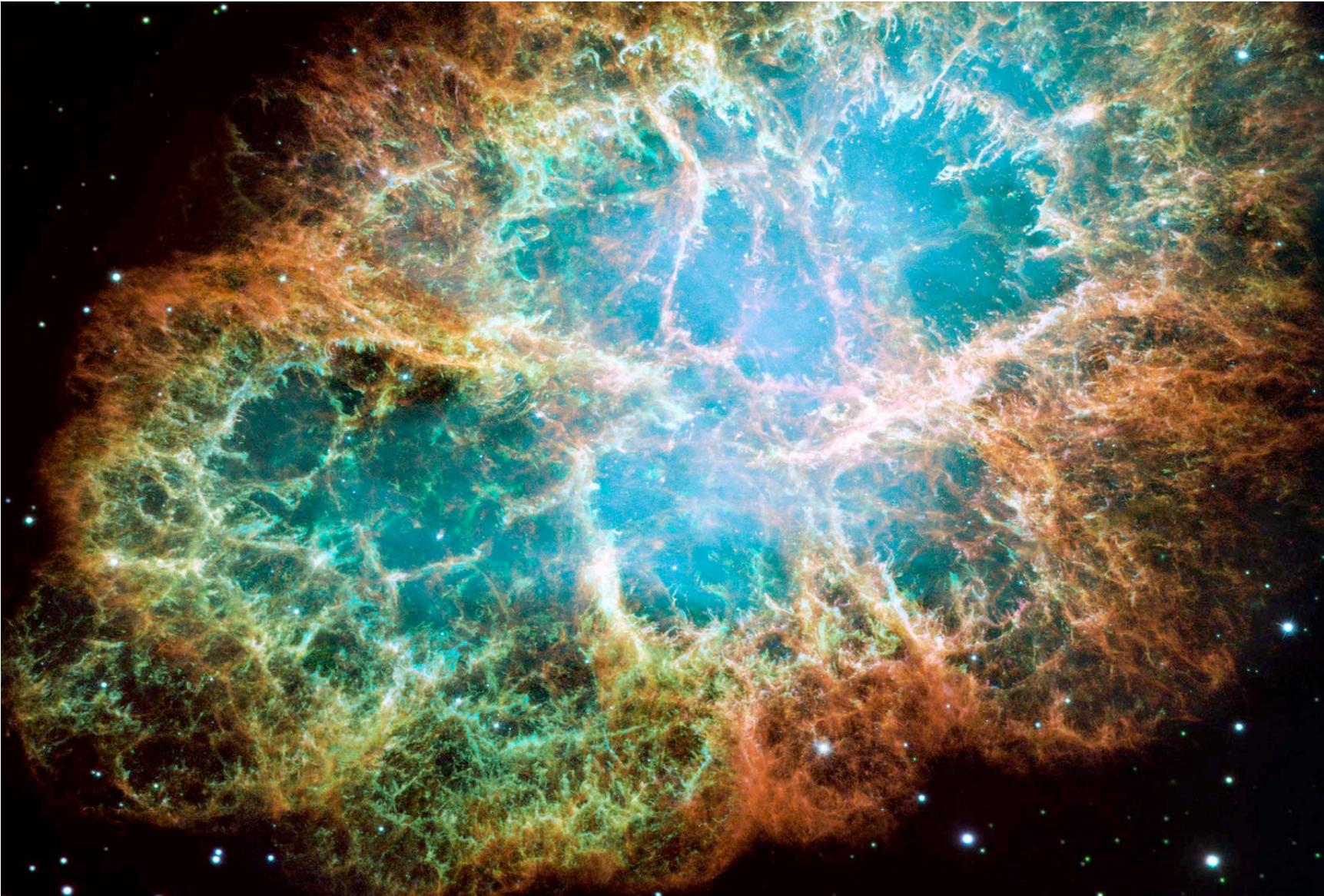
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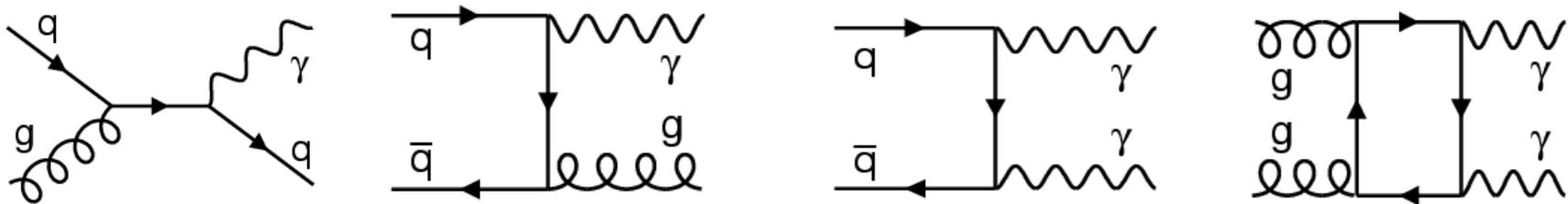
- Triangular flow is **very sensitive** to amount of initial state fluctuations
- It is important to have final state particle distributions to apply **same analysis** as in experiment
- Single-event initial condition provides best agreement with PHENIX data
- Does that imply that the initial state is well-described by binary nucleon interactions +PYTHIA?
- Lower bound for fluctuations!



Use Photons to Learn More



Photons: Direct Messengers from the QGP



- from QGP: sensitivity to parton density and temperature
- from initial state: sensitivity to PDFs (gluon!)
- Compare to hadronic channels, i.e. $\pi+\rho \rightarrow \gamma+\pi, \dots$

Cross section Refs

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Photon Rates: Hadronic and Partonic

- Hadronic rate parametrization:

$$E \frac{dR}{d^3p} = A \exp \left(\frac{B}{(2ET)^C} - D \frac{E}{T} \right)$$

S. Turbide, R. Rapp, C. Gale,
Phys. Rev. C69 (2004) 014903

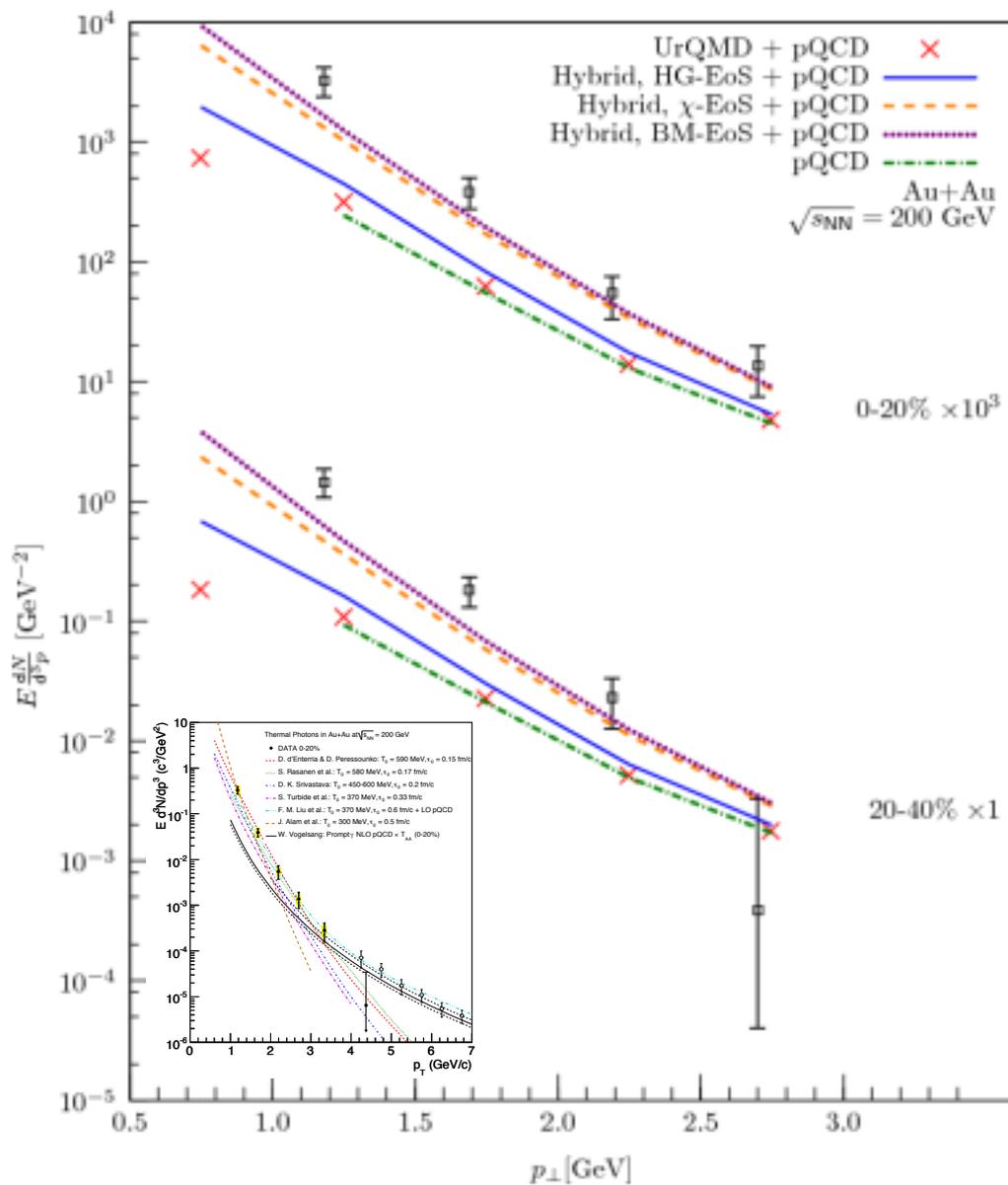
- QGP rate:

$$E \frac{dR}{d^3p} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} q_i^2 \frac{\alpha_{em} \alpha_S}{2\pi^2} T^2 \frac{1}{e^x + 1} \left(\ln \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{g} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \ln(2x) + C_{22}(x) + C_{\text{brems}}(x) + C_{\text{ann}}(x) \right)$$

P. Arnold, G. Moore, L. Yaffe,
JHEP 0112 (2001)009

Insert all rates into the hybrid model and compare to data.

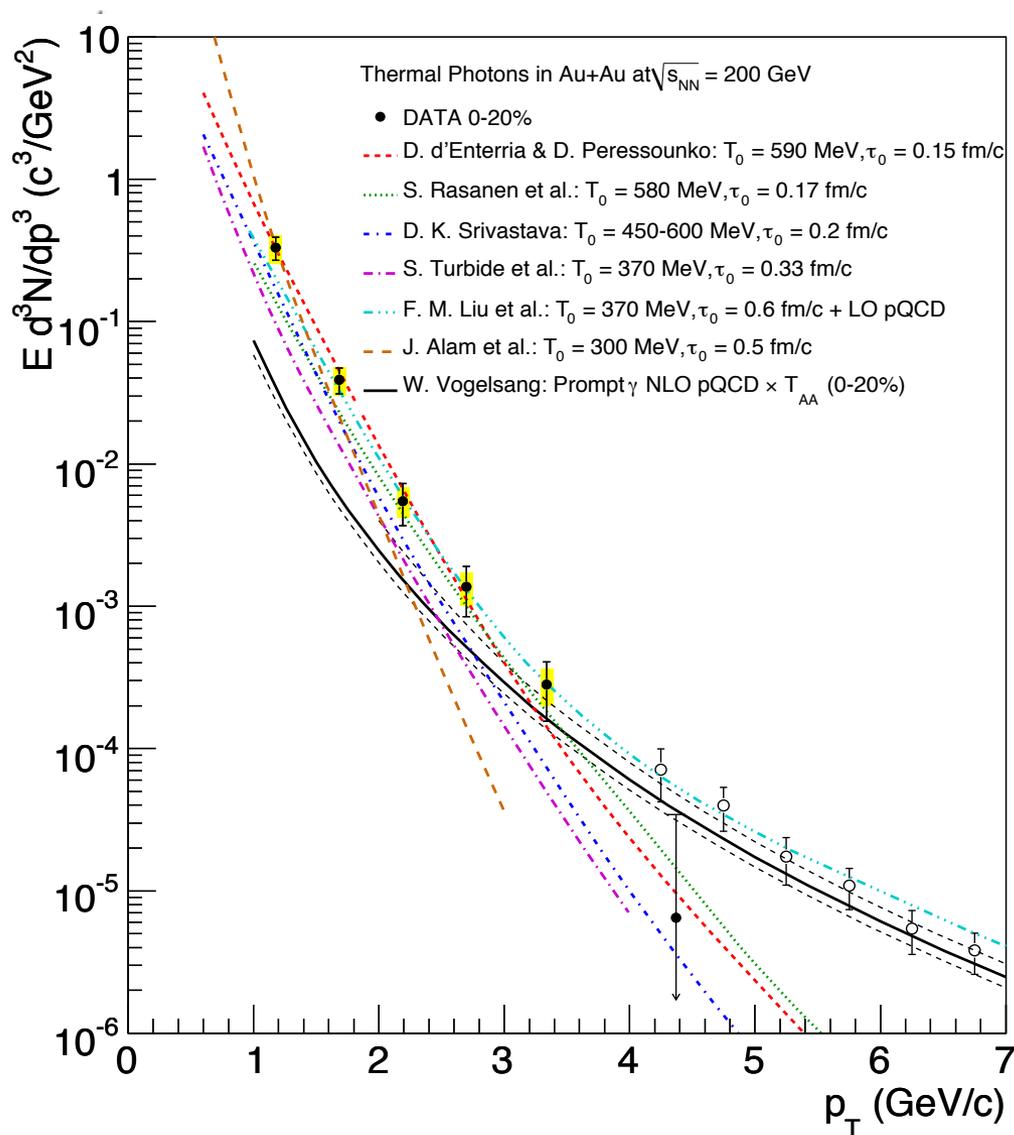
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- partonic calc. fit data
- Reasons for missing contributions in UrQMD/Hadron gas:
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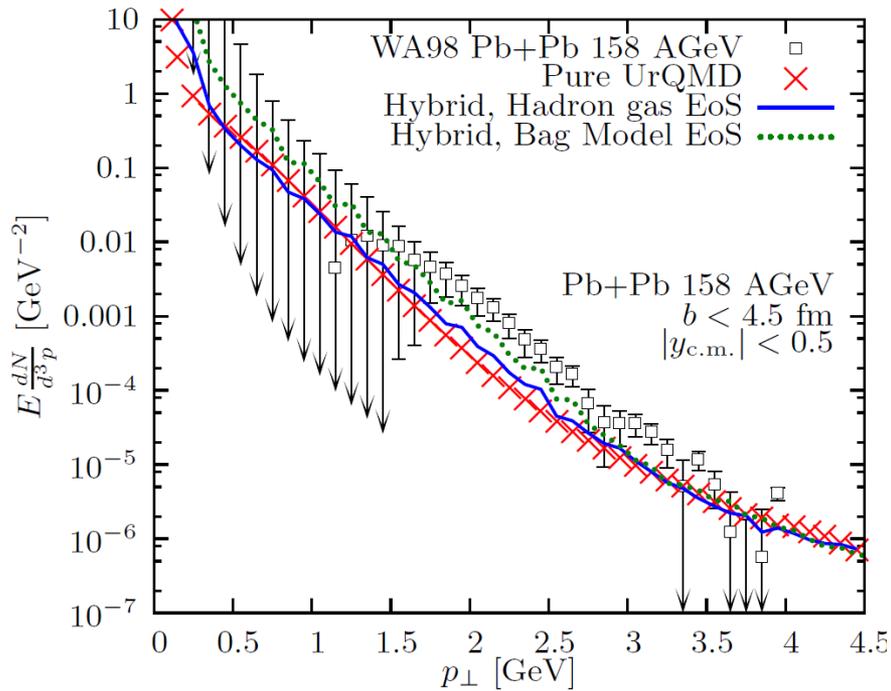
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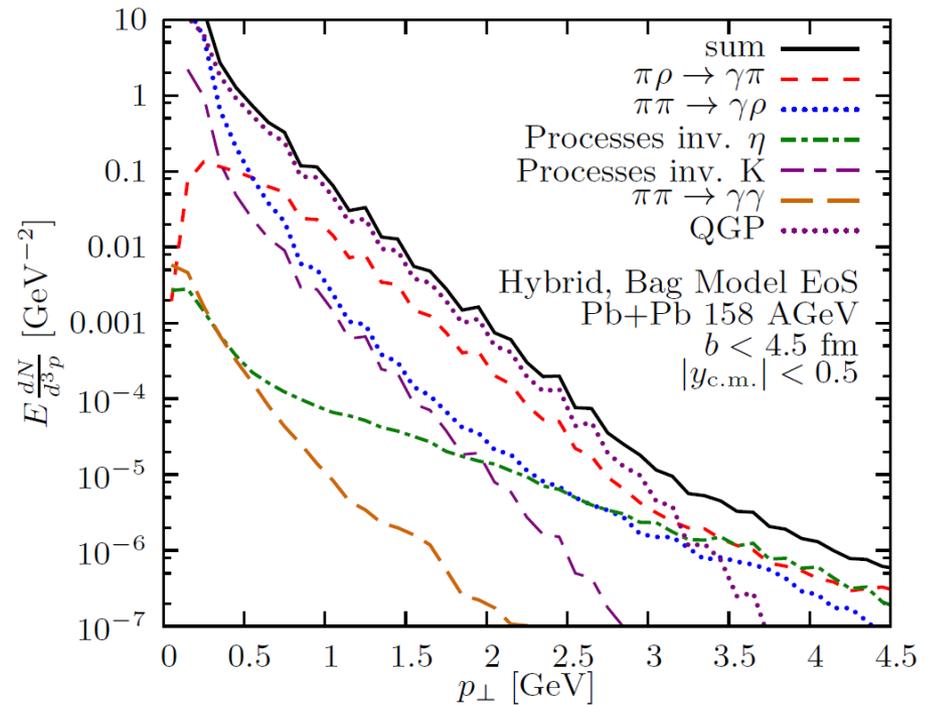
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Is there QGP?



Comparisons



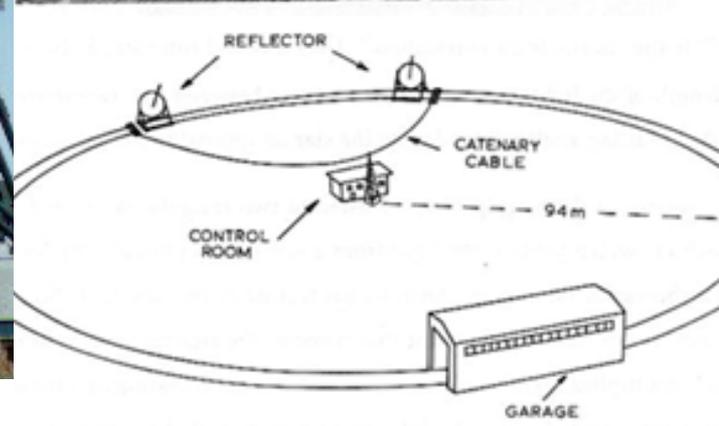
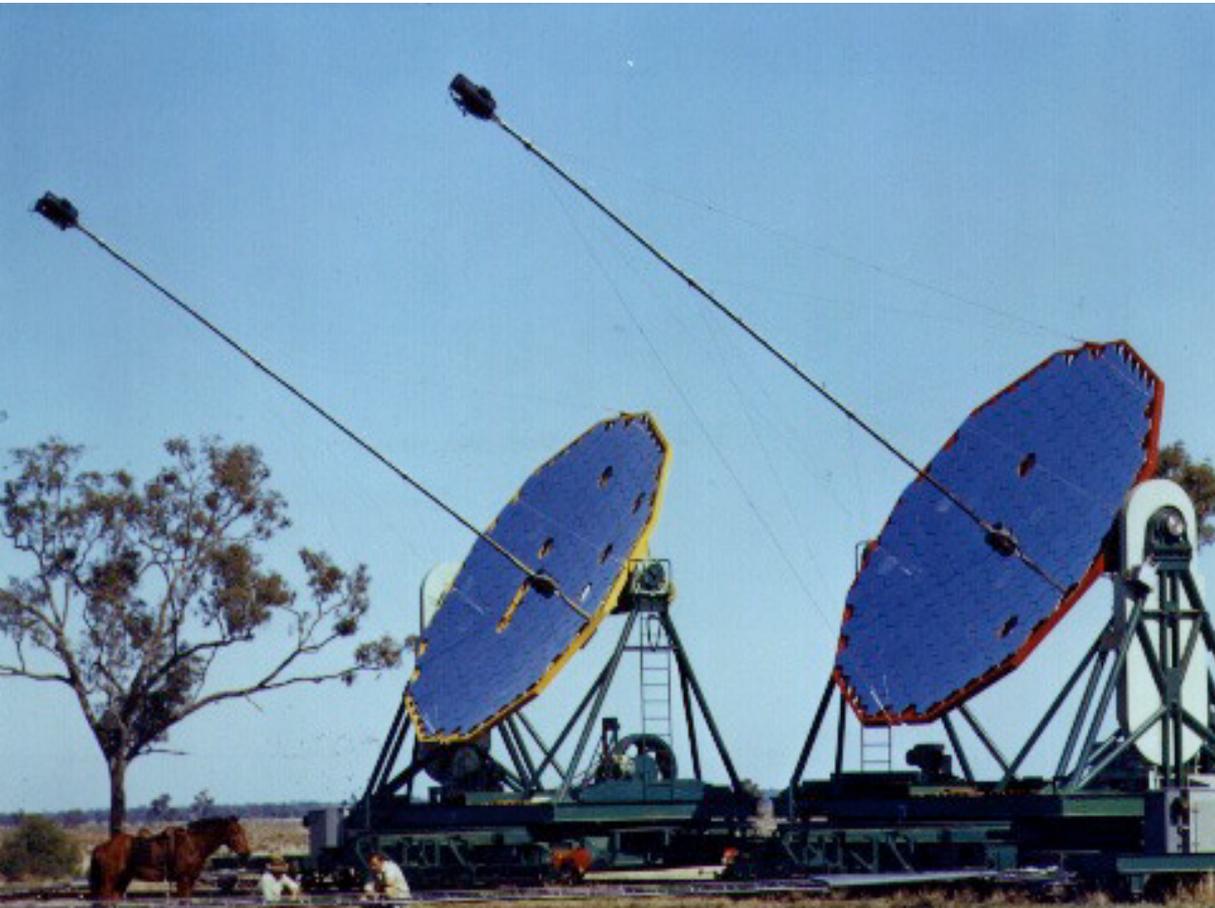
Hybrid, QGP: Channels

3 minute break

- Discuss with your neighbor

how to measure the life time of the fireball

HBT Correlations



Hanbury-Brown-Twiss Correlations

1. Aerial photo and illustration of the original HBT facility have been extracted from Ref.[1].

From M. Lisa

HBT correlations: Idea

(R. Hanbury-Brown, R.Q. Twiss, 1956)

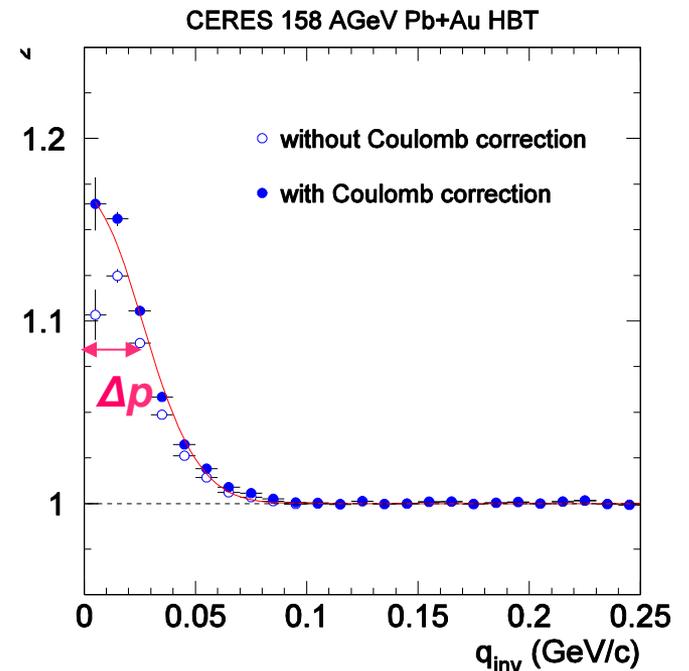
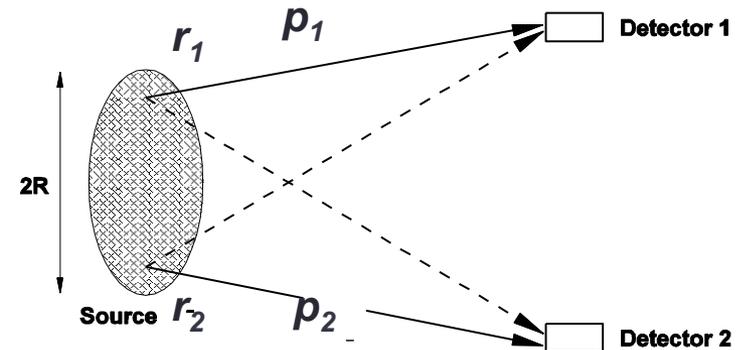
Bose-Einstein-statistics leads to short range correlations of bosons in momentum

$$C_2(\vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2) = \frac{P_2(\vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2)}{P_1(\vec{p}_1) \cdot P_1(\vec{p}_2)} = 1 + \chi(\vec{p}_2 - \vec{p}_1)$$

χ allows to obtain information on the emission source (Imaging, Gauss-Source)

In heavy ion collisions: **Pions**, Kaons, ...

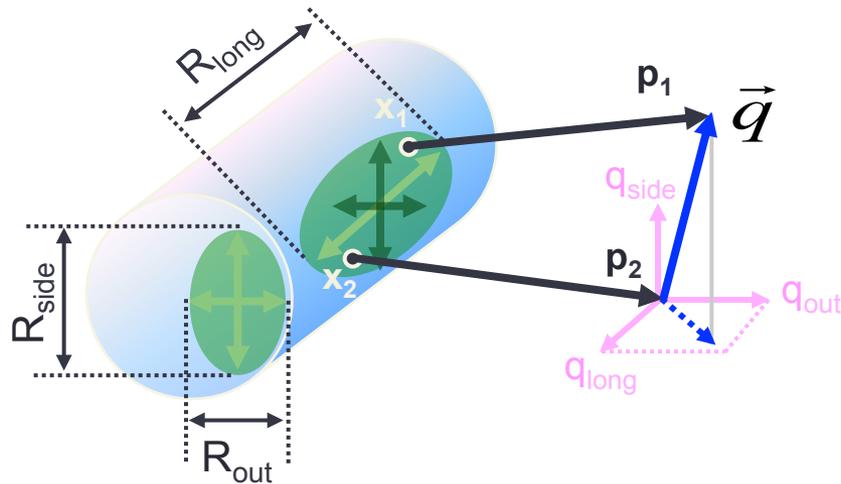
$$\Delta r = \frac{\hbar c}{\Delta p} = \frac{197 \text{ MeV/c}}{\Delta p} \text{ fm}$$



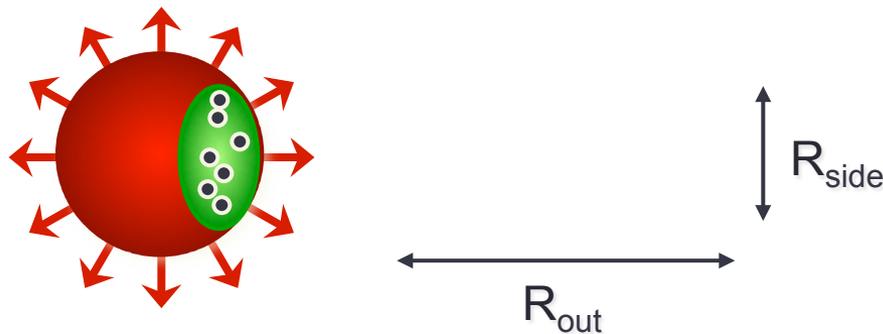
Meaning of Components

From M. Lisa

- Two particle interferometry: Image and emission duration



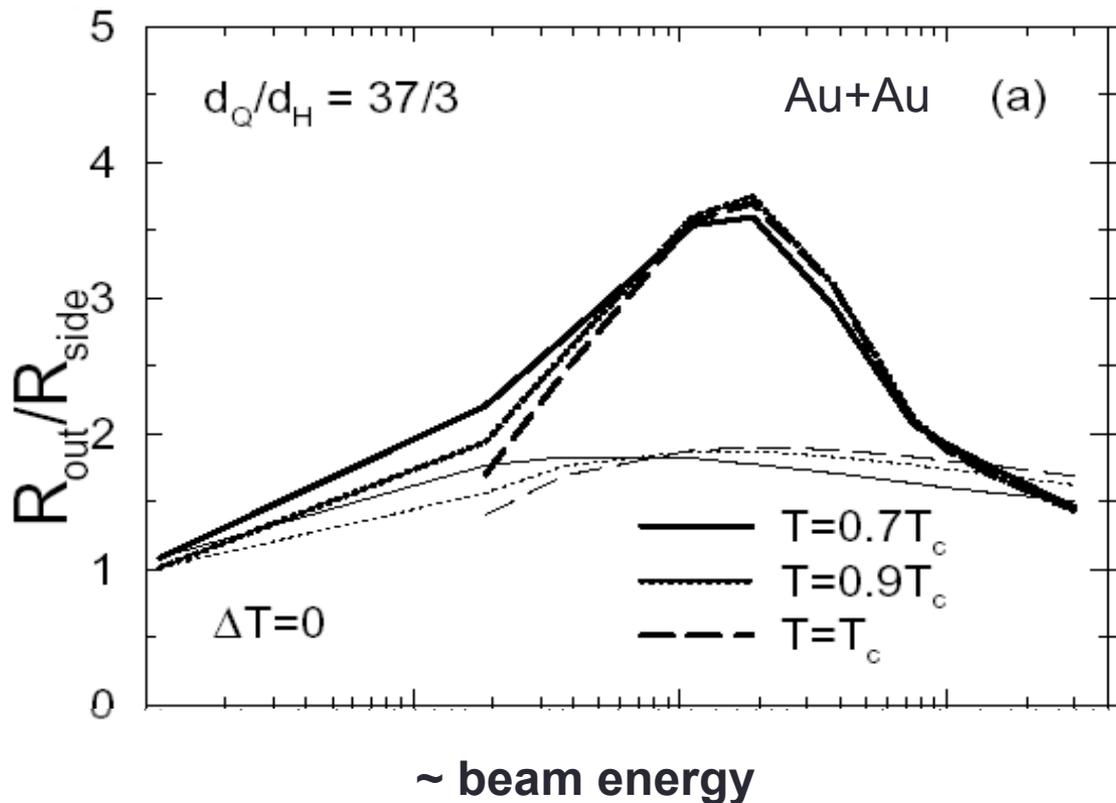
R_{out}/R_{side} -ratio measures emission time of the system



Pratt-Bertsch (“out-side-long”) coordinates allow to obtain space and time information

1-fluid Hydro Prediction

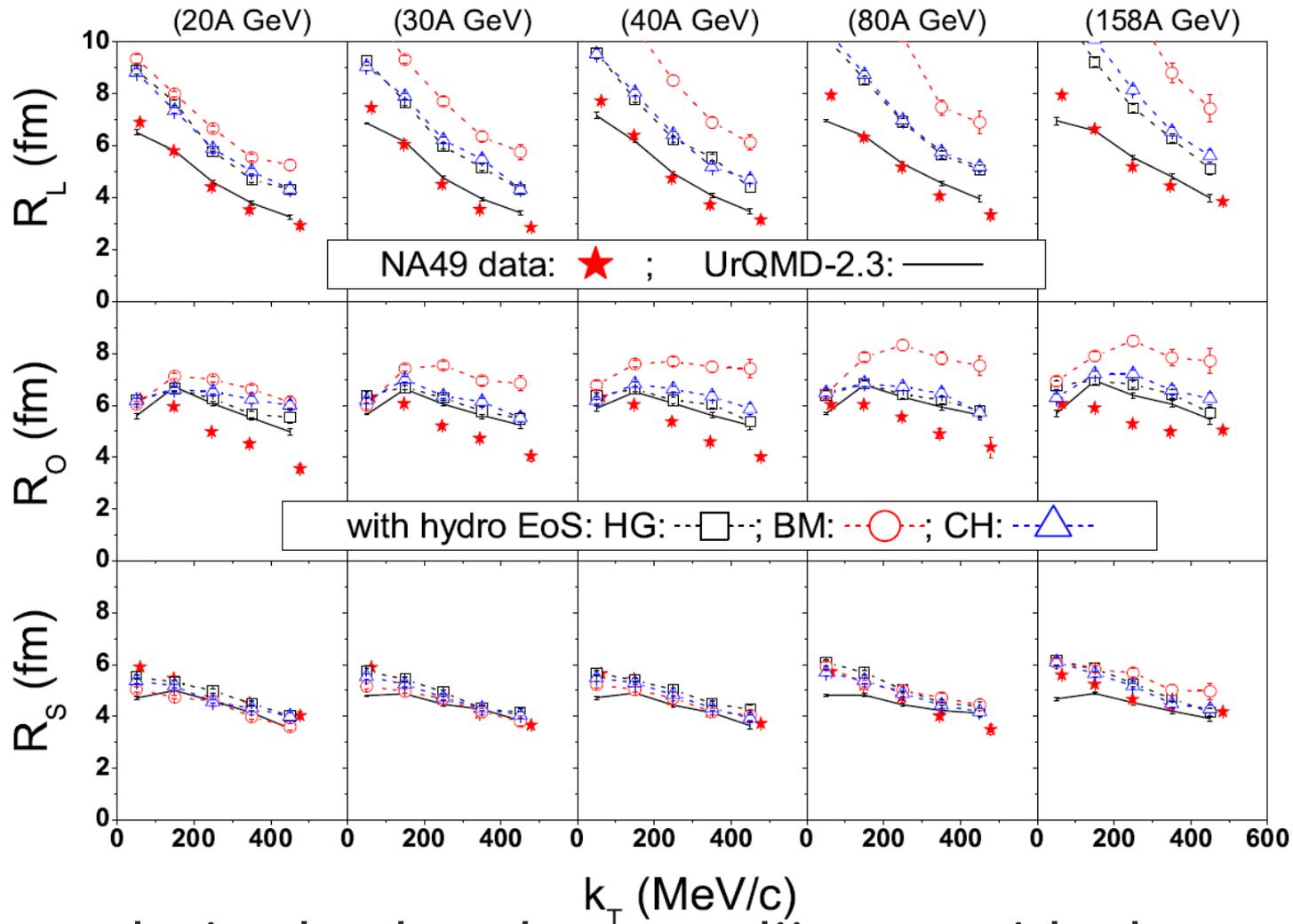
- Mixed phase should lead to drastic increase in life time, visible in R_{out}/R_{side} ratio



- 10 times increased life time
- Factor 2-4 increased R_{out}/R_{side} ratio

From: Rischke, Gyulassy,
 Nucl.Phys.A608:479-512,1996

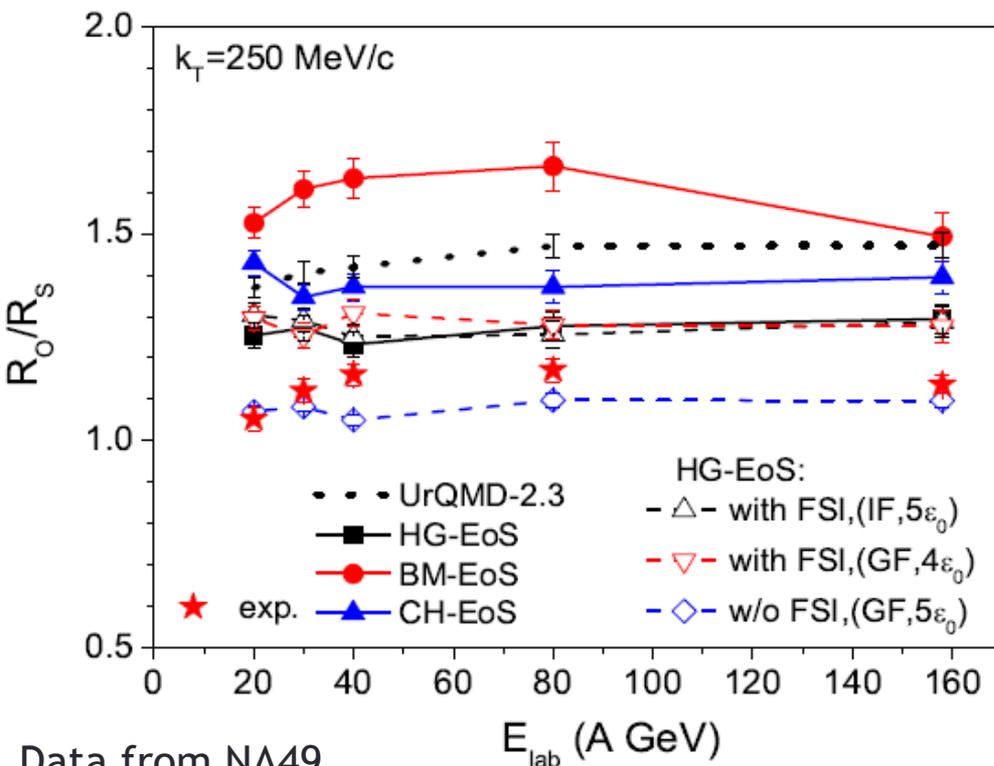
HBT radii \rightarrow Lifetime



Q. Li et al., Phys.Lett. B674 (2009) 111-116

Hydro evolution leads to larger radii, esp. with phase transition

R_O/R_S Ratio



- Hydro phase leads to smaller ratios
- Hydro to transport transition does not matter, if final **rescattering** is taken into account
- **EoS dependence** is visible, but not as strong as previously predicted (factor of 5)

Summary: Hydro and Hybrid Models

- Hybrid approaches have become the „Standard Model“ for Heavy Ion collisions
- Can not be used at low energies, because initial/intermediate state separation is not well defined
- Angular correlations constrain initial state
- Photon yields support the existence of QGP
- HBT correlations may indicate increased life times

3 minute break

- Discuss with your neighbor

Is there a (simple) alternative to hydro/hybrid transport to explore in-medium effects/phase transitions?

COARSE GRAINING

Results

Hadronic models

① Kinetic theory

- Realized in **transport models** (here UrQMD)
 - Effective solution of the **Boltzmann equation**
 - Physics input and parameters: cross-sections (total and partial), resonance parameters, string fragmentation scheme
 - **“On-shell” quasi-particles** on classical trajectories
 - Collision term includes **elastic & inelastic scatterings** (e.g. $\pi\pi \rightarrow \rho$) and **resonance decays** (e.g. $N^* \rightarrow N + \pi$)
- ↪ But: **Incoherent summation over processes, missing off-shell dynamics, restricted to lower densities (no multi-particle interactions) → Medium effects only partially implemented**

② Hadronic many-body theory

- Calculate particle **self-energies** using **quantum field theory**
 - **Coherent summation**: Accounts for quantum interference
- ↪ But: **Restricted to equilibrated matter, assumes heat bath**

→ **Two sides of the same medal!**

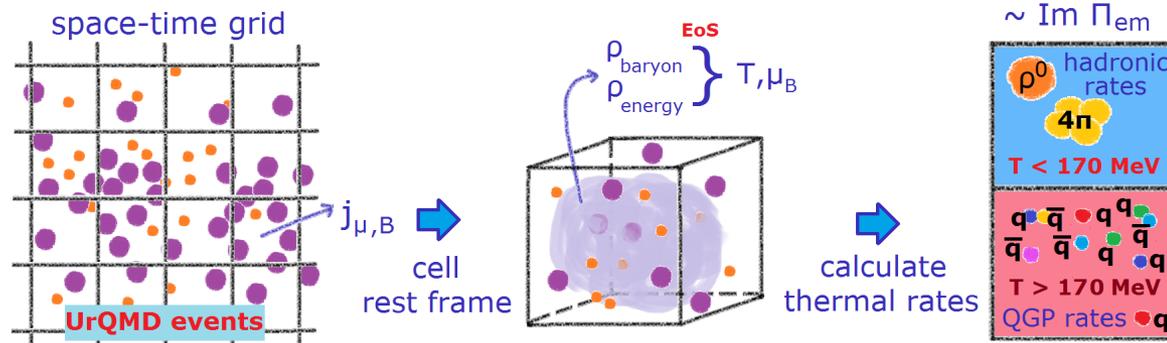
Coarse graining

- Goal: One approach for all energies, realistic evolution of the reaction, but limited number of variables
 - ↳ Combining a realistic 3+1 dimensional microscopic expansion of the system with macroscopic description of the dilepton emission
- **Coarse-graining = Reduction of information** → System uniquely determined by (local) energy and particle densities
- Microscopic description → Necessary to average over many simulation events
- Sufficiently large number of events → **Distribution function** $f(\vec{x}, \vec{p}, t)$ **takes a smooth form**

$$f(\vec{x}, \vec{p}, t) = \left\langle \sum_h \delta^3(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_h(t)) \delta^3(\vec{p} - \vec{p}_h(t)) \right\rangle$$

- UrQMD model constitutes a non-equilibrium approach
 - ↳ Equilibrium quantities have to be extracted locally at each space-time point

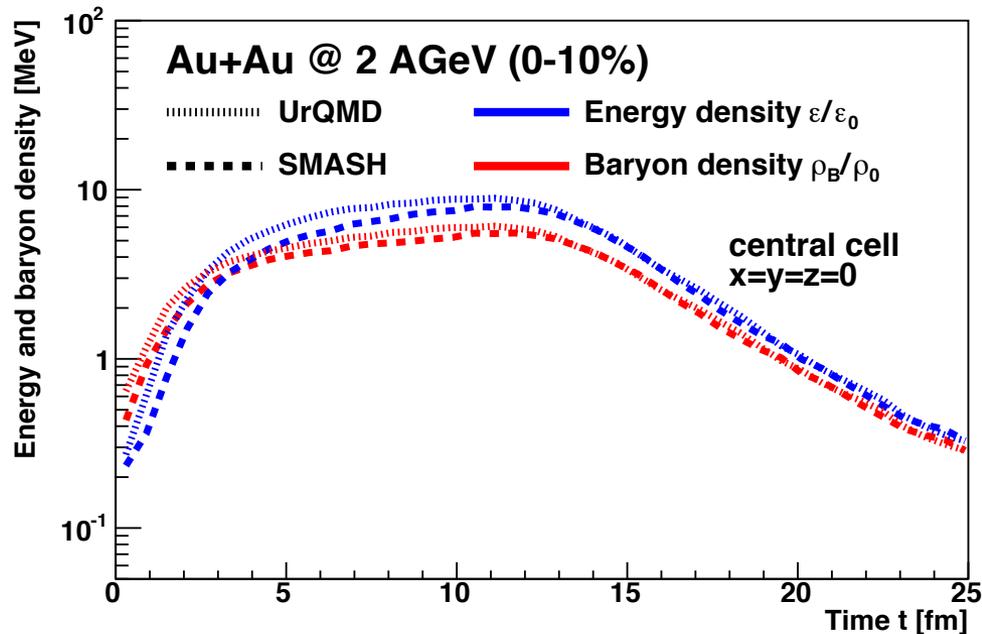
Coarse graining



- First proposed by Huovinen et al. [Phys. Rev. C66, 014903 (2002)]
- Put ensemble of UrQMD events on **grid of space-time cells**
- Determine baryon and energy density and use Eckart's definition to determine the **rest frame** properties
 - Use **equation of state** to calculate T and μ_B
- Two EoS: **Free hadron gas** with UrQMD-like degrees of freedom + **Lattice EoS** for $T > 170 \text{ MeV}$

[D. Zschesche et al., Phys. Lett. B547, 7 (2002); M. He et al., Phys. Rev. C 85 (2012)]

Advantages



- **Robustness of the evolution** → Microscopic details differ, but evolution of energy and particle densities similar
- **Medium effects straightforward** in terms of T and $\mu_B \leftrightarrow$
But: Assumption of local equilibrium necessary

Accounting for non-equilibrium

- To which extent is equilibrium obtained in the dynamics?
- How can one deal with deviations from equilibrium?
 - **Macroscopic descriptions** → *Equilibrium* usually introduced as ad-hoc assumption
 - **Transport models** → *Non-equilibrium* normal case at any stage
 - Two aspects have to be taken into account:
 - ① Kinetic non-equilibrium → momentum-space anisotropies
 - ② Chemical non-equilibrium → overdense pionic system
→ finite pion chemical potential μ_π
- ⇒ Calculate “effective” energy density and determine μ_π in Boltzmann approximation

Di-lepton emission

- Emission is calculated for each cell of 4-dim. grid
- Electromagnetic emission is **related to the imaginary part of the retarded current-current correlator** $\Pi_{\text{em}}^{(\text{ret})}$ as

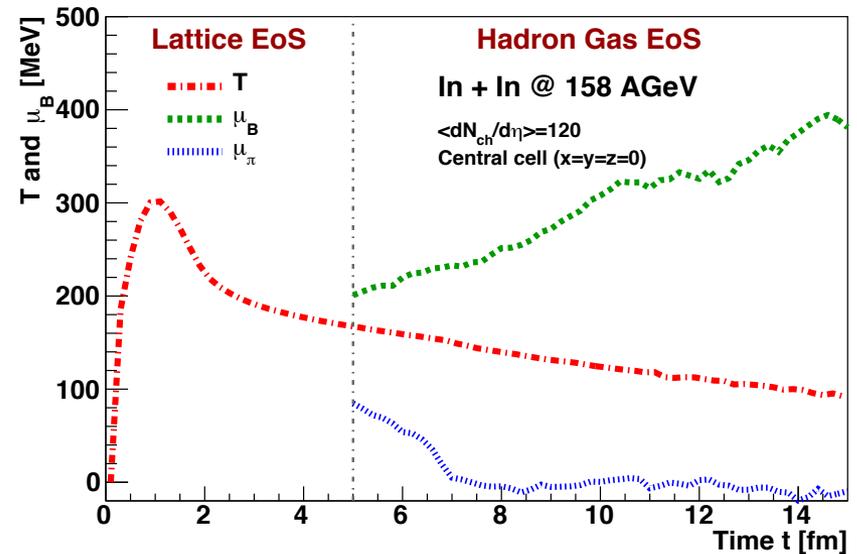
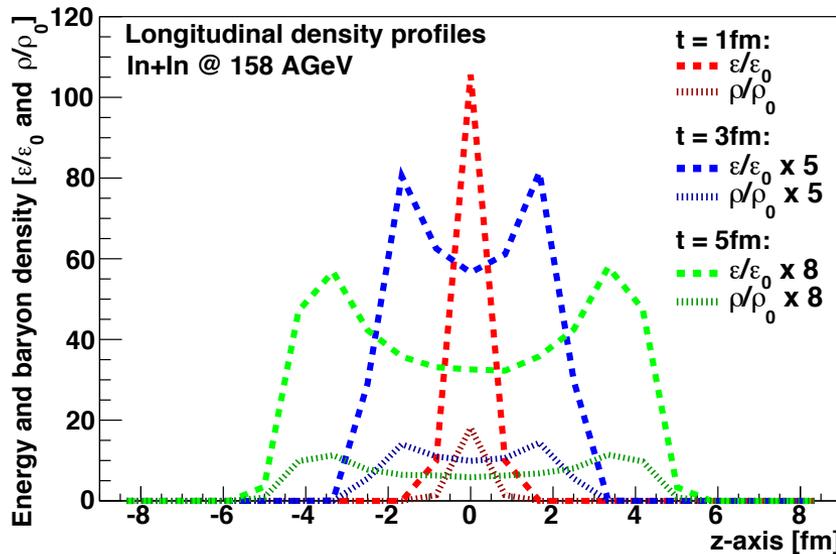
[R. Rapp, J. Wambach, Adv. Nucl. Phys. 25, 1 (2000)]

$$\frac{dN_{ll}}{d^4x d^4q} = -\frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}^2 L(M)}{\pi^3 M^2} f_{\text{B}}(q; T) \times \text{Im} \Pi_{\text{em}}^{(\text{ret})}(M, \vec{q}; \mu_{\text{B}}, T),$$

$$q_0 \frac{dN_{\gamma}}{d^4x d^3q} = -\frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}}{\pi^2} f_{\text{B}}(q; T) \times \text{Im} \Pi_{\text{em}}^{T,(\text{ret})}(q_0 = |\vec{q}|; \mu_{\text{B}}, T).$$

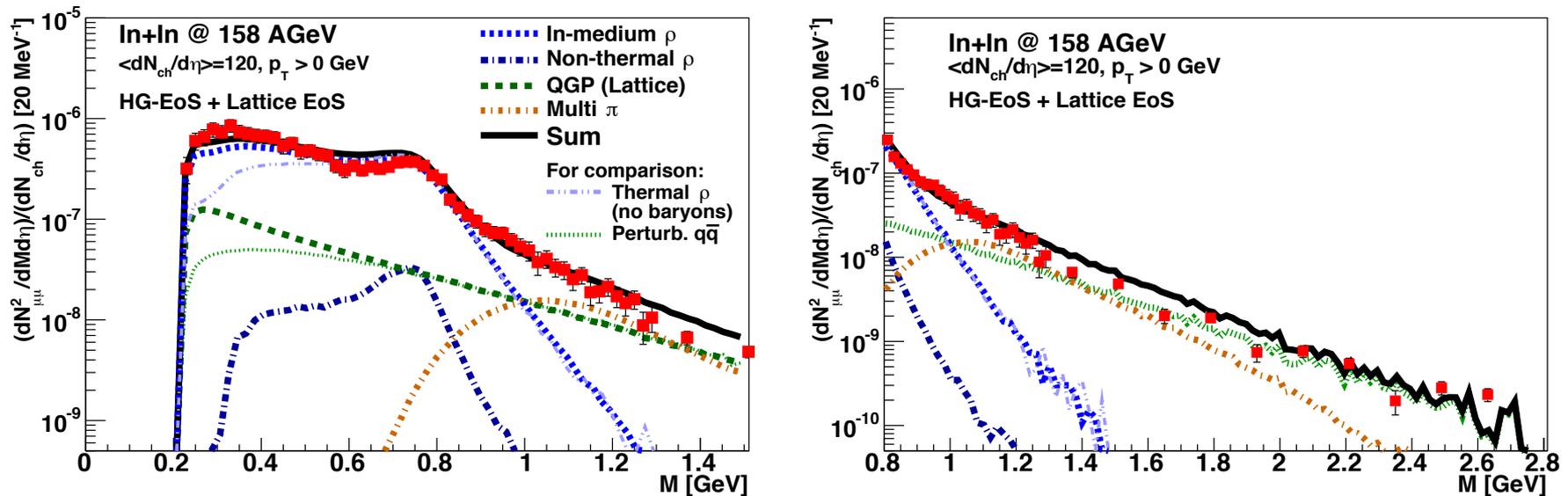
- Include ρ and ω spectral functions from HMBT (Rapp et al.), meson gas contributions and lattice rates for the QGP
 - Non-thermal dilepton contributions (π, η, ϕ) directly from UrQMD + freeze-out ρ and ω (if $T < 50$ MeV)
- ↪ For more details about the CG-approach see PRC 91, 054911 (2015); PRC 92, 014911 (2015) and PRC 93, 054901 (2016)

Baseline comparison at SPS



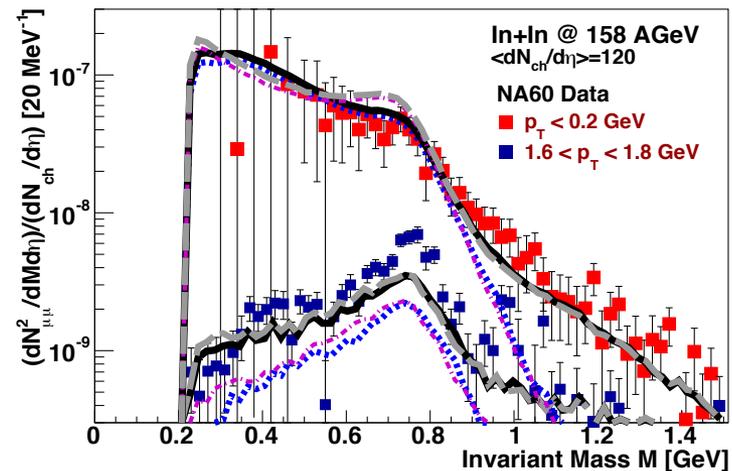
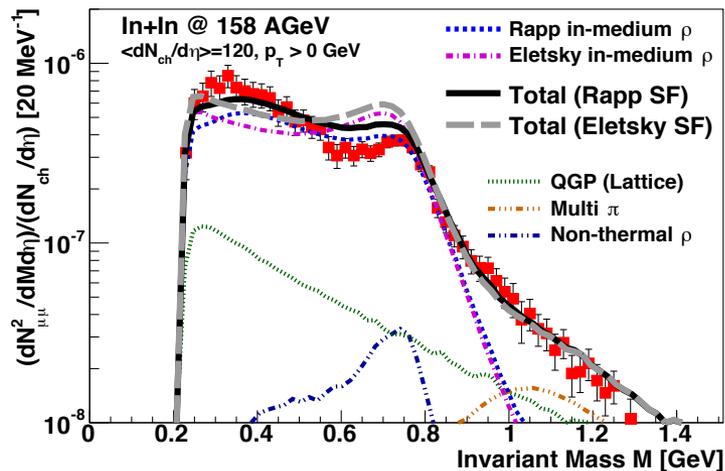
- The coarse-graining of UrQMD input gives **realistic and nuanced picture** of the collision evolution → Detailed space-time description of temperature and chemical potential
- At SPS one reaches temperatures significantly above T_c in combination with moderate values of μ_B
- Note: Right plot shows maxima of T and μ (central cell), not average → Different values for each space-time cell!

NA60 – di-lepton spectra



- ρ shows **broadening compared to case without baryons**
 - QGP and multi-pion annihilation are the relevant sources in the intermediate mass region
 - For $M > 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ QGP contribution clearly dominates
 - **Duality** between hadronic and partonic emission rates?
- ↪ Results agree with fireball + hydro calculations; differences in dynamics

Comparison of different spectral functions

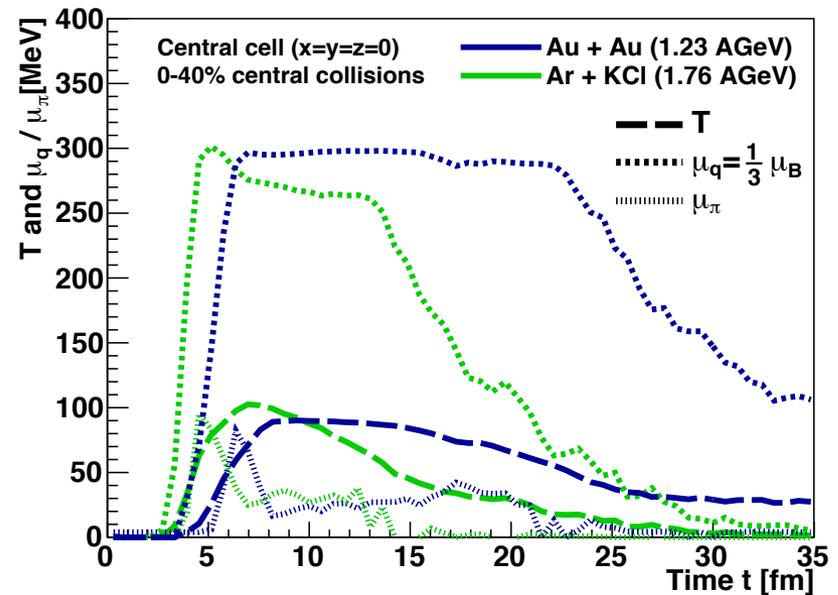
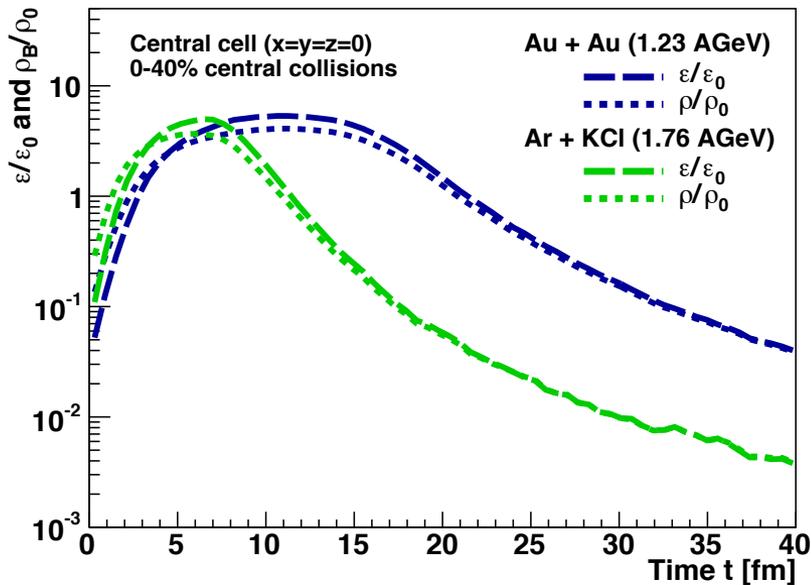


- HMBT results \leftrightarrow ρ spectral function obtained using **empirical scattering amplitudes from resonance dominance**

[V. L. Eletsky et al., Phys. Rev. C64, 035303 (2001)]

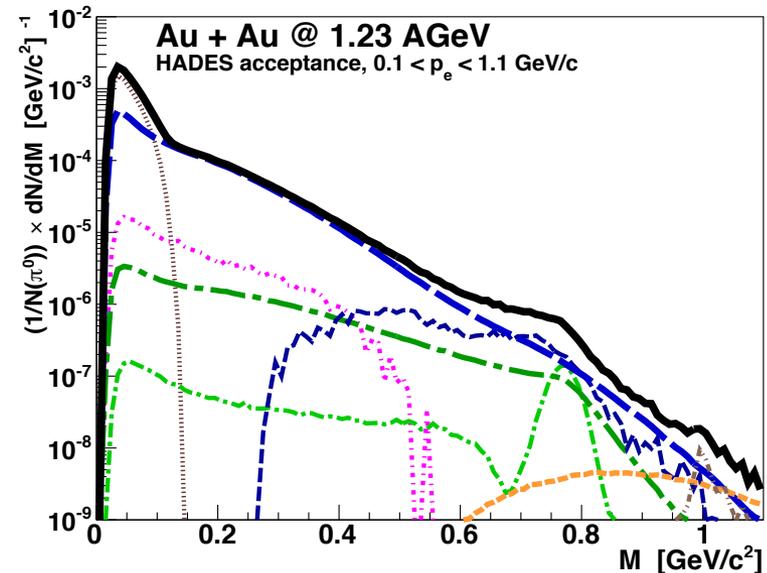
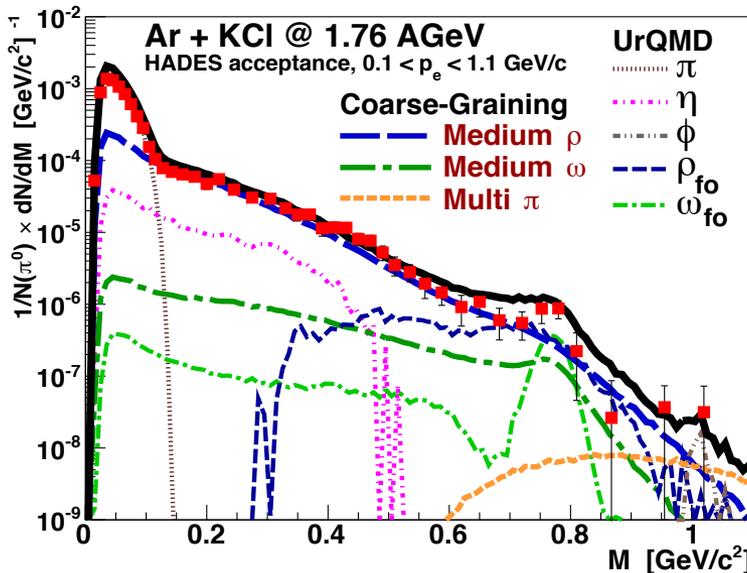
- Not enough broadening due to low-density expansion of the self energies \rightarrow Overshoots data at peak, underestimates for lower masses

SIS 18, low T , high μ_B



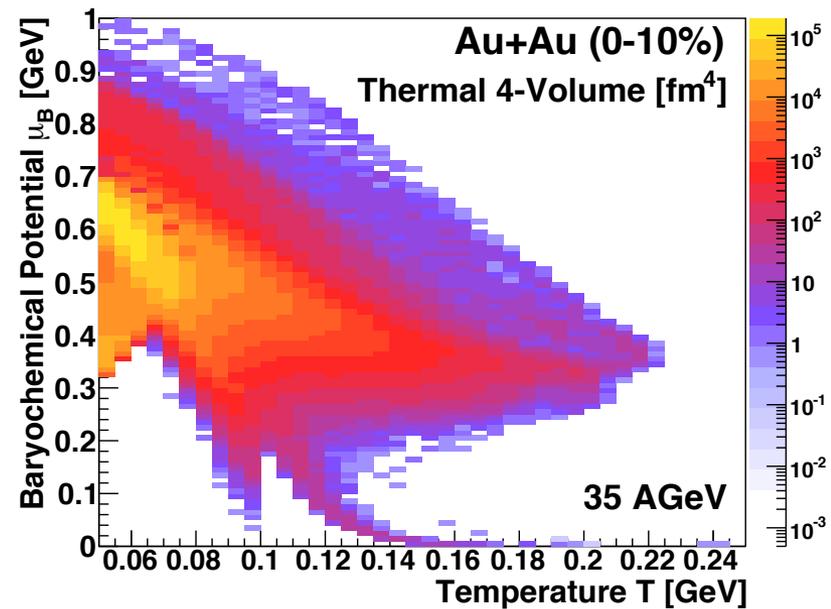
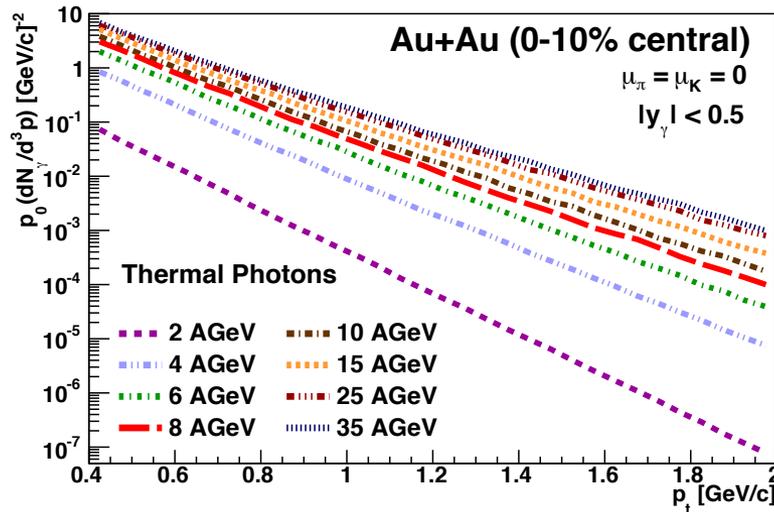
- **Very slow evolution** of the fireball
 $\hookrightarrow T$ and μ_B remain roughly constant for up to 20 fm/c!
- Moderate temperatures and very **high baryon density** respectively baryochemical potential \rightarrow Ideal situation to study in-medium modifications

HADES vs. c.g. UrQMD



- **Significant in-medium broadening** of the ρ spectral function, causing a strong increase of the dilepton yield below the pole mass
- Low-mass enhancement **increases with system size**
- Low temperatures \rightarrow Higher masses and pole mass peak suppressed

FAIR and photons



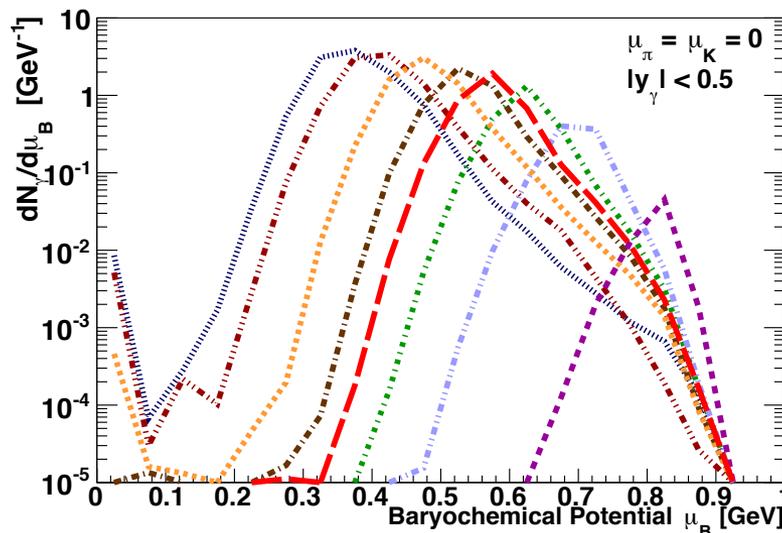
- **Unexplored transition region**

- ↔ Hadron gas ↔ QGP

- ↔ high μ_B ↔ moderate μ_B

- **High luminosities enable systematic studies**

- ↔ Energy, momentum, centrality, system size, ...



Summary: Coarse graining

- Allows to employ QFT in the analysis
- Alternative to hybrid and 3-fluid at low energies.
- No EoS in the dynamics, but in the emission rates.
- Works excellent for leptons
- Photon yields support the existence of QGP
- Charm studies under way

CHIRAL HYDRODYNAMICS

Nonequilibrium Chiral Fluid Dynamics ($N\chi$ FD, $PN\chi$ FD)

Aim: Explore signals for QCD first order phase transition and critical end point

Model: Ideal quark fluid coupled to Polyakov-quark-meson model

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{q} \left[i \left(\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - i g_s \gamma^0 A_0 \right) - g \left(\sigma + i \gamma_5 \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\pi} \right) \right] q + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \vec{\pi})^2 - U(\sigma, \vec{\pi}) - \mathcal{U}(\ell, \bar{\ell})$$

Propagate chiral fields and Polyakov loop explicitly via Langevin equations of motion

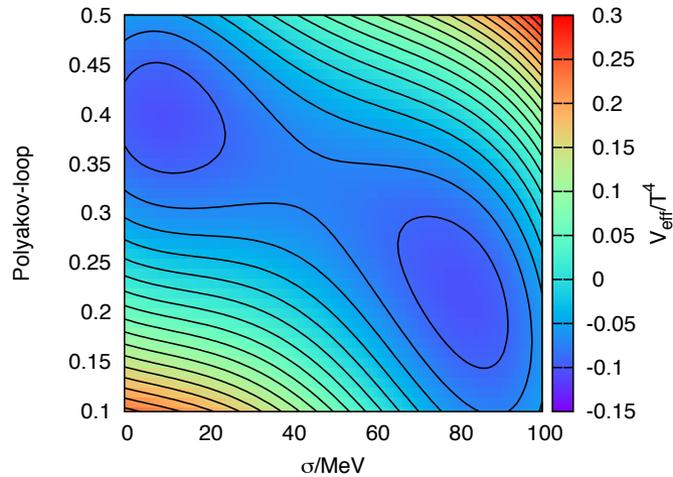
$$\partial_\mu \partial^\mu \sigma + \eta_\sigma(T) \partial_t \sigma + \frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \sigma} = \xi_\sigma \qquad \eta_\ell \partial_t \ell T^2 + \frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \ell} = \xi_\ell$$

Energy-momentum exchange between fields and fluid described by source terms

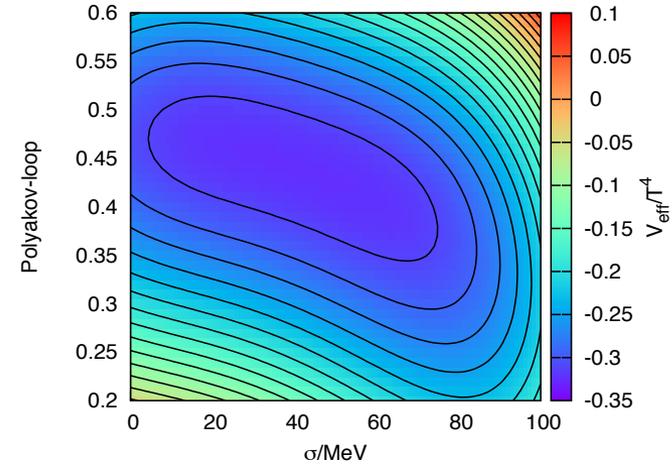
$$\partial_\mu T_q^{\mu\nu} = \left(\frac{\partial \Omega_{q\bar{q}}}{\partial \sigma} + \eta_\sigma \partial_t \sigma \right) \partial^\nu \sigma + \left(\frac{\partial \Omega_{q\bar{q}}}{\partial \ell} + \eta_\ell \partial_t \ell T^2 \right) \partial^\nu \ell$$

Solve with 3+1 dim. hydro, using SHASTA and staggered leap frog for the fields

CP vs. 1st order by adjustment of g



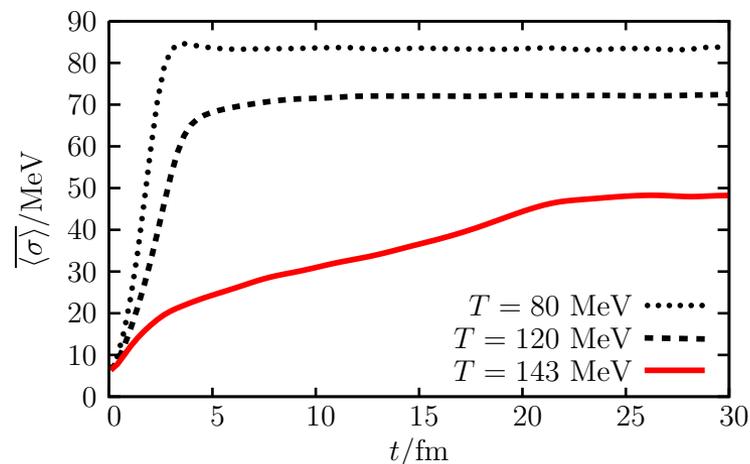
Effective potential for 1st order PT:
 $T_c=173 \text{ MeV}$, $g=4.7$



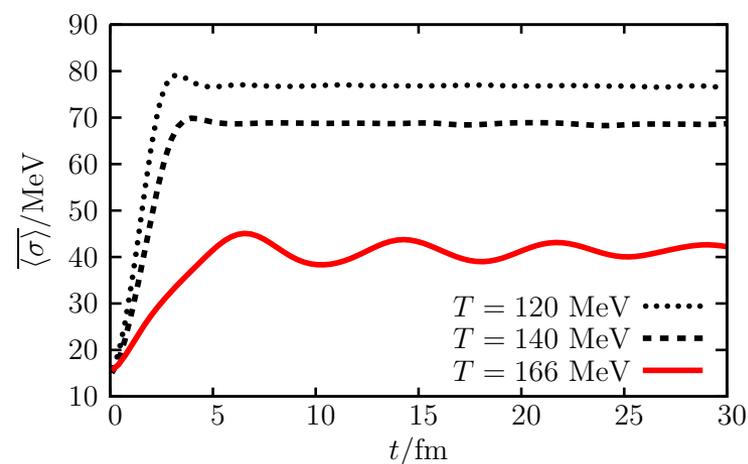
Effective potential for CP:
 $T_c=180 \text{ MeV}$, $g=3.5$

→ first step: vanishing baryon chemical potential, second step: full calculation

Box calculations: sigma equilibration



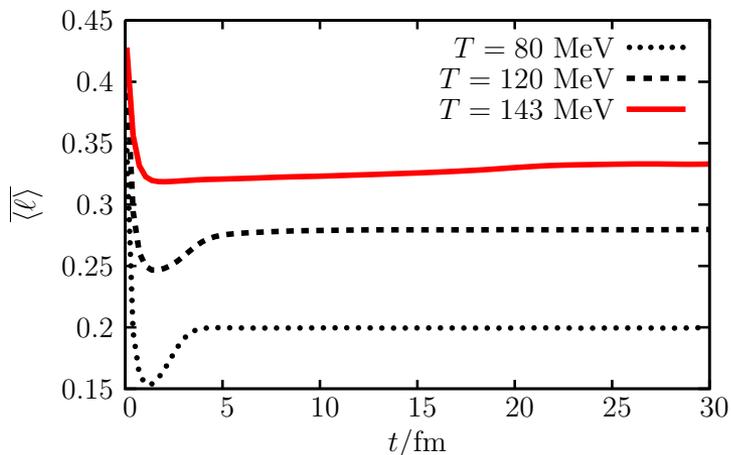
1st order PT, $T_c=173 \text{ MeV}$:
Equilibration sigma-field for several
temperature quenches ($T_{ini}=180 \text{ MeV}$)



CP, $T_c=180 \text{ MeV}$:
Equilibration sigma-field for several
temperature quenches ($T_{ini}=186 \text{ MeV}$)

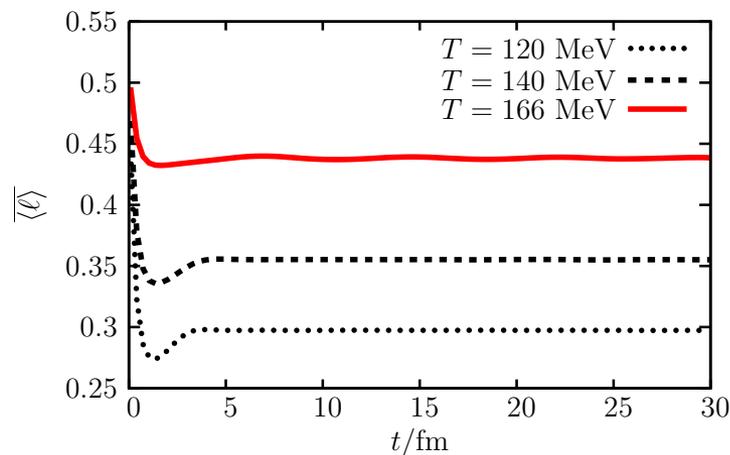
→ At CP: Critical slowing down delays equilibration and produced oscillations around the flat minimum

Box calculations: Polyakov loop equilibration



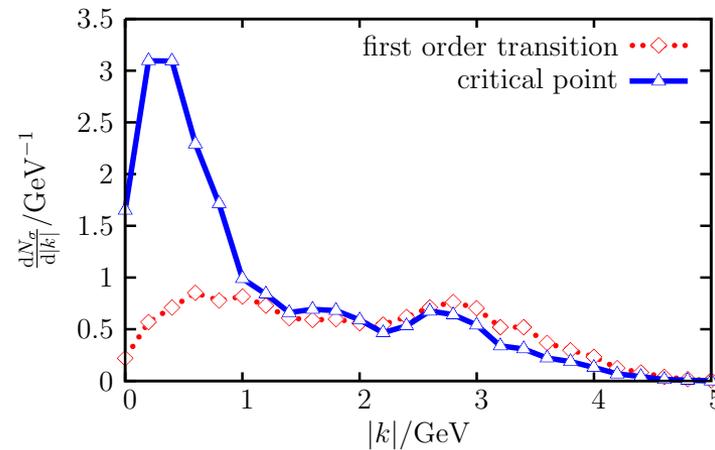
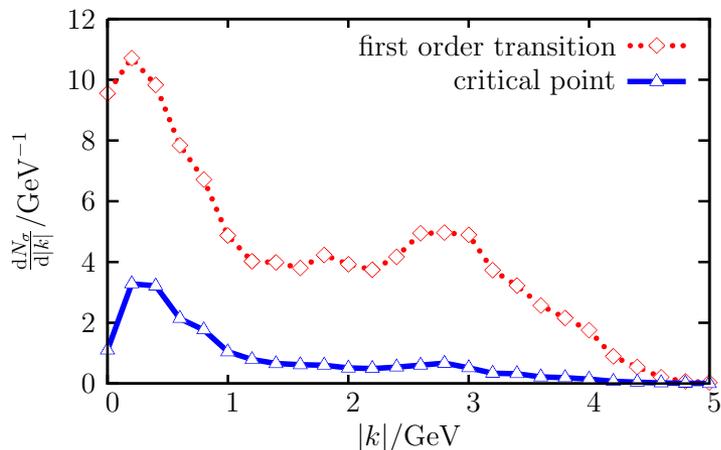
1st order PT, $T_c = 173 \text{ MeV}$:
Equilibration of Polyakov loop for
several temperature quenches
($T_{\text{ini}} = 180 \text{ MeV}$)

→ Polyakov loop equilibrates quickly



CP, $T_c = 180 \text{ MeV}$:
Equilibration Polyakov loop for several
temperature quenches ($T_{\text{ini}} = 186 \text{ MeV}$)

Box calculations: intensities

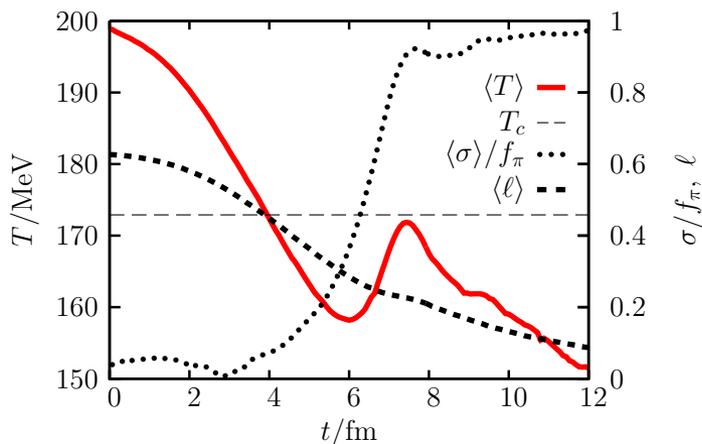


Mode occupation during the transition:
at 12 fm (1st order) and 3 fm (CP)

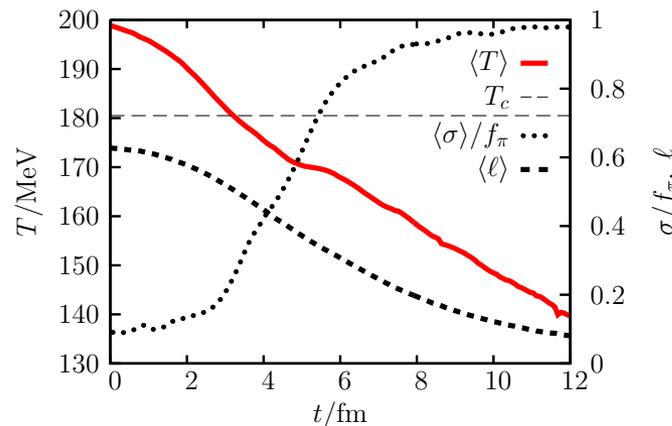
Mode occupation in equilibrium:
at 24 fm/c

- Damping of low frequency modes in case of 1st o. PT, strong enhancement of low freq. modes in case of CP
- Do not trust the modes above 1 GeV!

Time evolution in expanding system



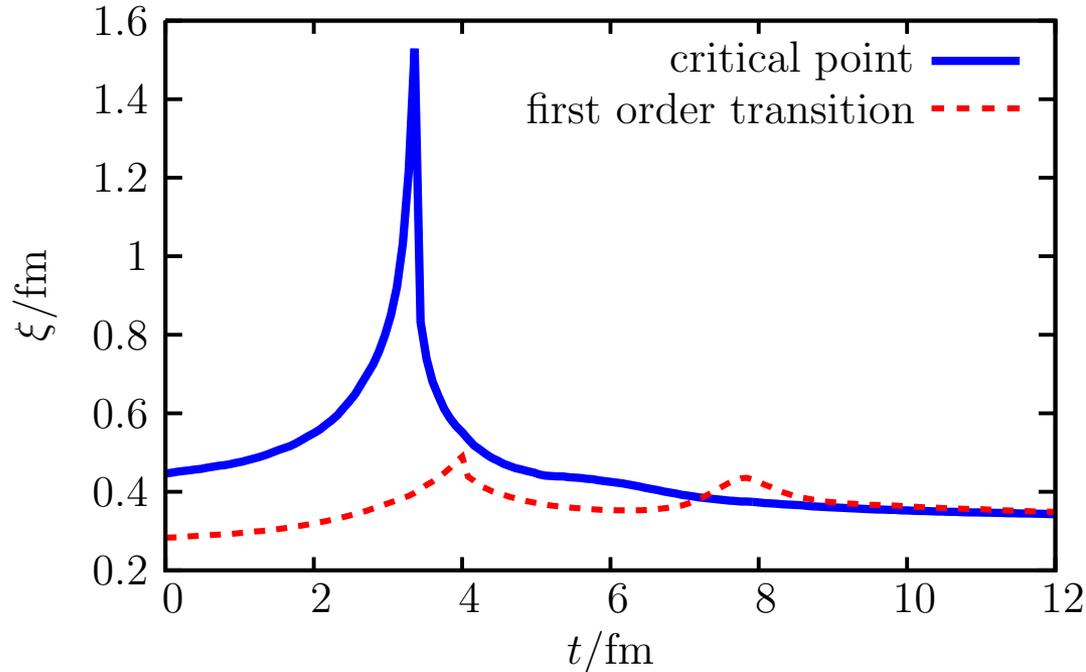
1st order PT, $T_c=173$ MeV:
Sigma field, Polyakov loop,
av. temperature



CP, $T_c=180$ MeV:
Sigma field, Polyakov loop,
av. temperature

→ At 1st order PT: super cooling by 10 MeV with reheating is observed

Correlation length: dynamical system



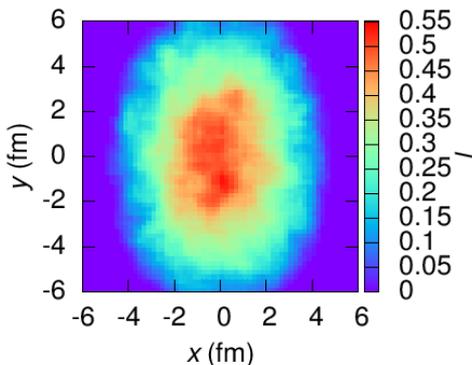
- Strongly increased correlation length at CP
- Reheating clearly visible at 1st o. PT
- However magnitude stays small (1-2 fm)

→ Correlations are restricted to small scales,
 no large fluctuations emerge → difficult to observe!

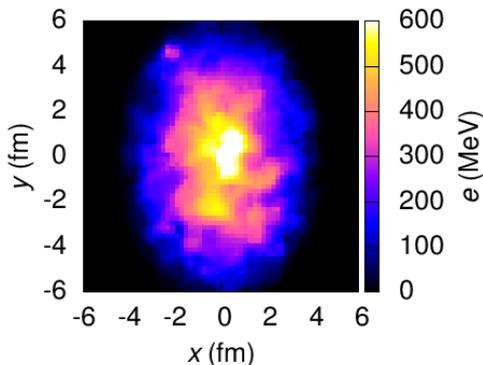
Domain formation

1st o. PT

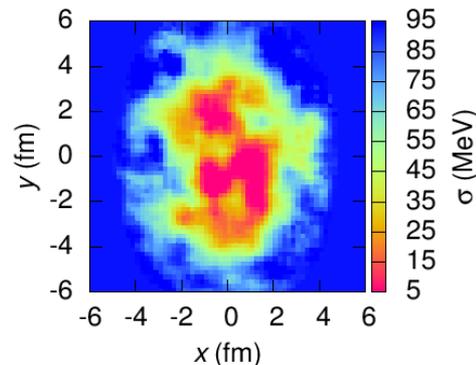
P. loop



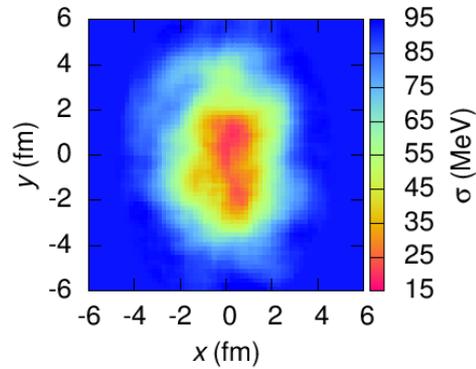
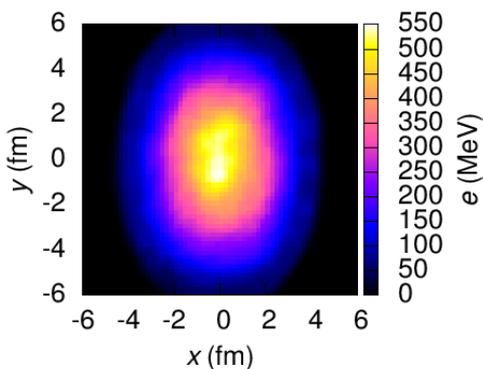
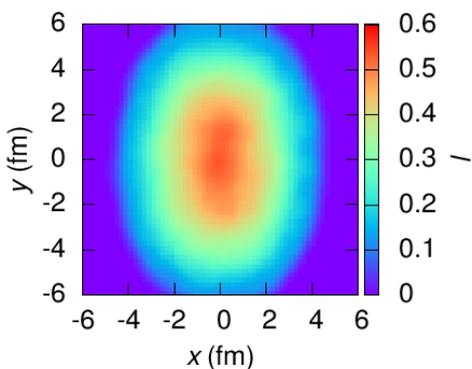
energy density



sigma field



CP



Profiles at the crossing of the transition line

Extension to finite baryon densities

Extension requires 3 steps:

1. Include μ -dependence in Polyakov loop potential,
cf. Schäfer, Pawłowski, Wambach

$$\mathcal{U}(\ell, T, T_0) , \quad T_0 \rightarrow T_0(\mu)$$

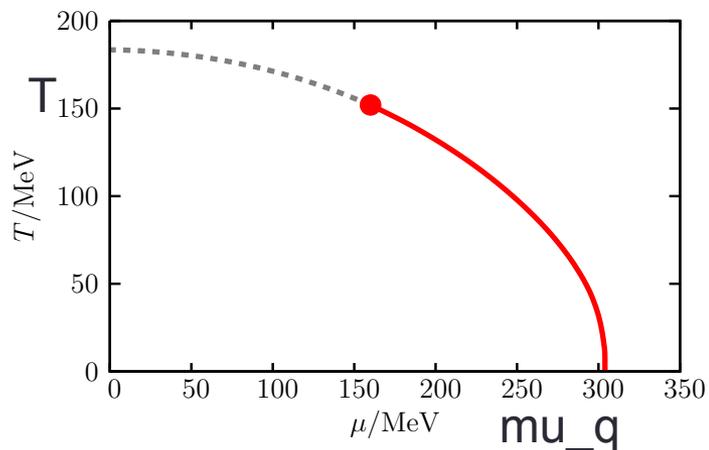
2. Calculate grand canonical potential for finite chemical potential

$$\Omega_{q\bar{q}} = -2N_f T \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \left\{ \ln [1 + 3\ell e^{-\beta(E-\mu)} + 3\ell e^{-2\beta(E-\mu)} + e^{-3\beta(E-\mu)}] + (\mu \rightarrow -\mu) \right\}$$

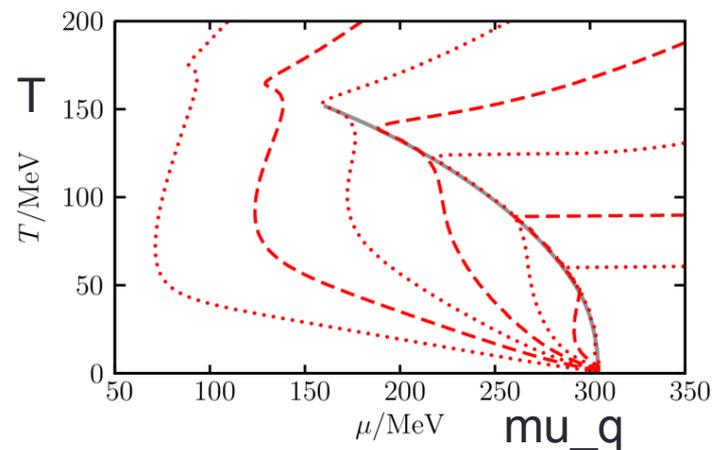
3. Propagate (net) baryon density in the hydro sector

$$\partial_\mu n^\mu = 0 , \quad n^\mu = \rho u^\mu$$

Phase diagram at finite μ



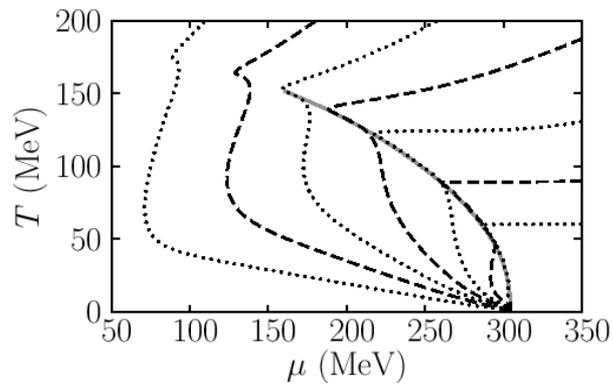
Critical point



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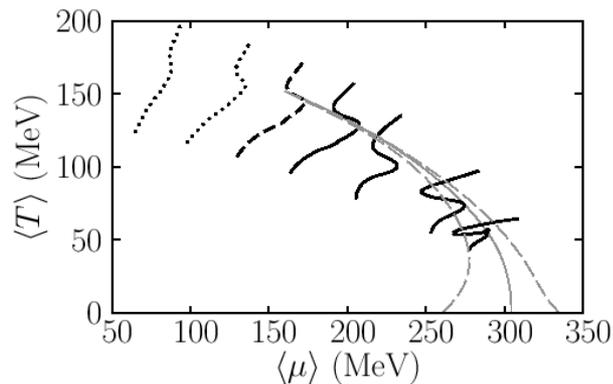
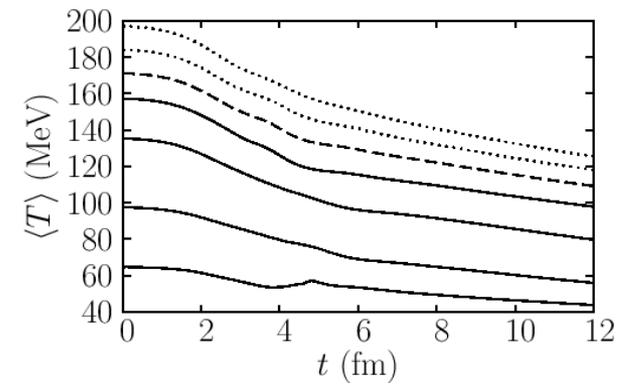
→ Bending of the isentropes due to dynamical mass increase of the quark fields

Trajectories in the phase diagram

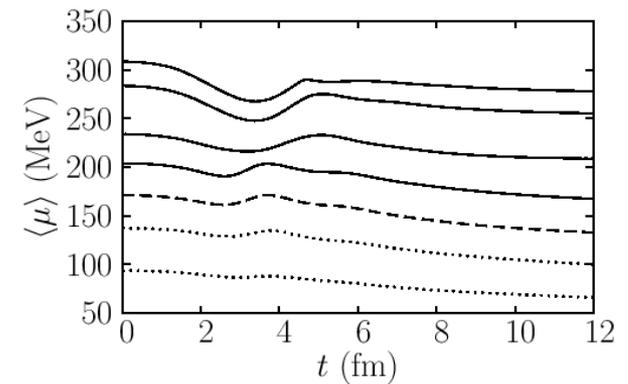


Isentropes

$S/A=[24,16,12.5,10,8,6,4]$



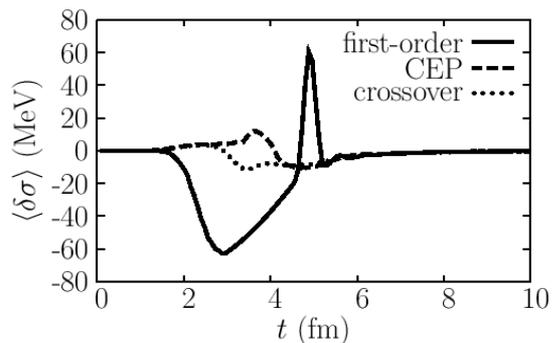
Nonequilibrium
trajectories



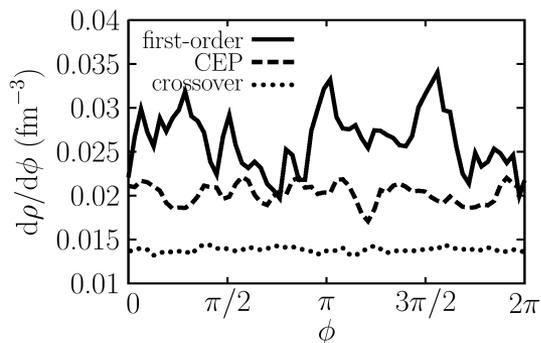
→ Reheating at high baryon densities, in and out of spinodal region

Fluctuations and quark densities

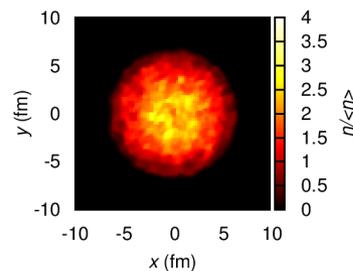
Nonequilibrium fluctuations, sigma field



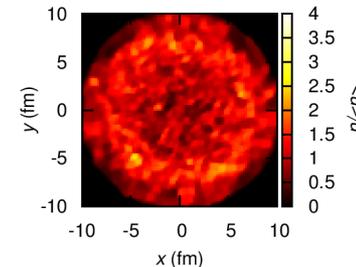
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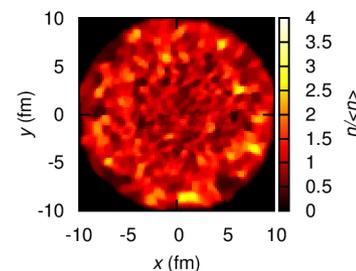
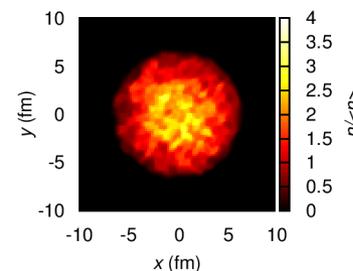
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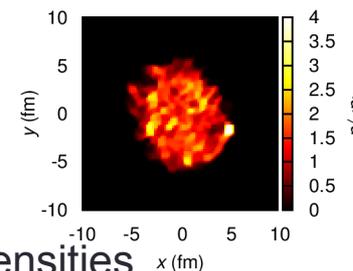
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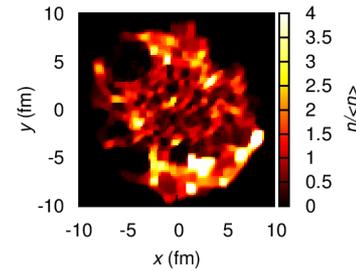
Crossover



CP



1st o. PT



→ Strong fluctuations, inhomogeneous quark densities

Chiral Dynamics: Summary, Outlook

- Dynamical simulation of PQM model successful
- Extension to finite μ on the way
- Equilibration \rightarrow Trajectories \rightarrow reheating
- Fluctuations of the sigma field
- Quark density clusters (domain formation)
- Include pion fluctuations
- However, rather small correlation length

QUARK DYNAMICS

Hadronisation

- How to go from partonic matter to hadronic matter?
 - energy conservation?
 - free quarks in the end?
 - what to do with gluons?
 - decrease in entropy?
 - transition to fragmentation?
- Chromodielectric model
- Quark Molecular Dynamics
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A model for QCD

Chromodielectric model (CDM)

[G.Martens et.al., Phys.Rev. D70/D73]

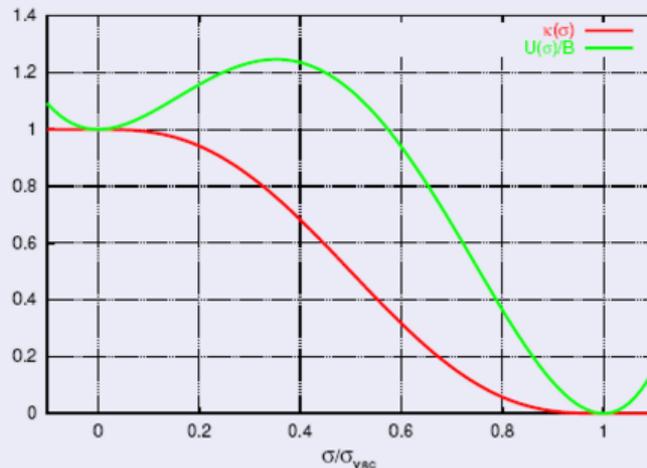
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{cdm}} = \frac{1}{4} \kappa(\sigma) F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{\mu\nu,a} \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{glue}}$$

$$-g j_{\mu}^a A^{\mu,a} \quad \mathcal{L}_{q,g}$$

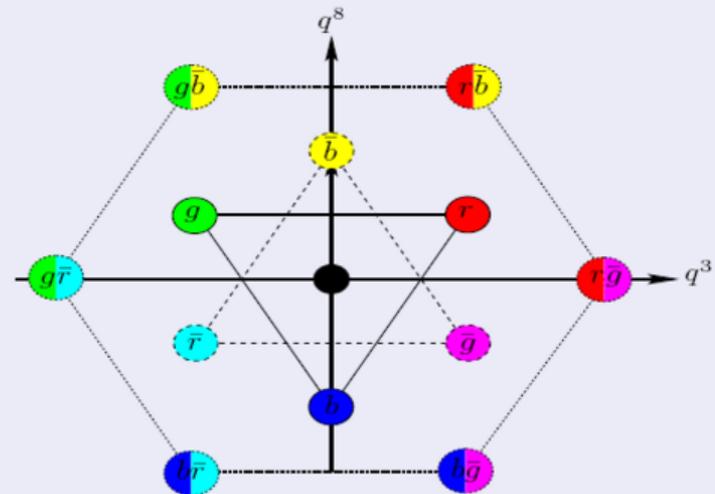
$$+\frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \sigma \partial^{\mu} \sigma - U(\sigma) \quad \mathcal{L}_{\sigma}$$

$$F^{\mu\nu,a} = \partial^{\mu} A^{\nu,a} - \partial^{\nu} A^{\mu,a} \quad a \in \{3, 8\}$$

Self interaction & Dielectric



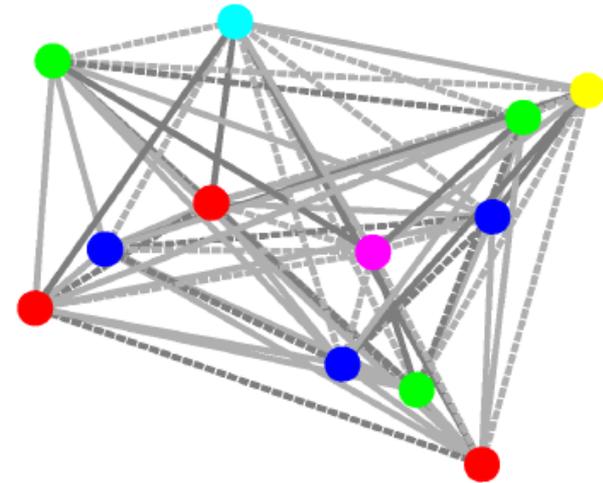
Color multipletts



Quark Molecular Dynamics

Hamiltonian of the model :

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \sqrt{\mathbf{p}_i^2 + m_i^2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} C_{ij} V(|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|)$$



- Potential :

linear potential $V(r) = \kappa r$

- Color factor C_{ij} :

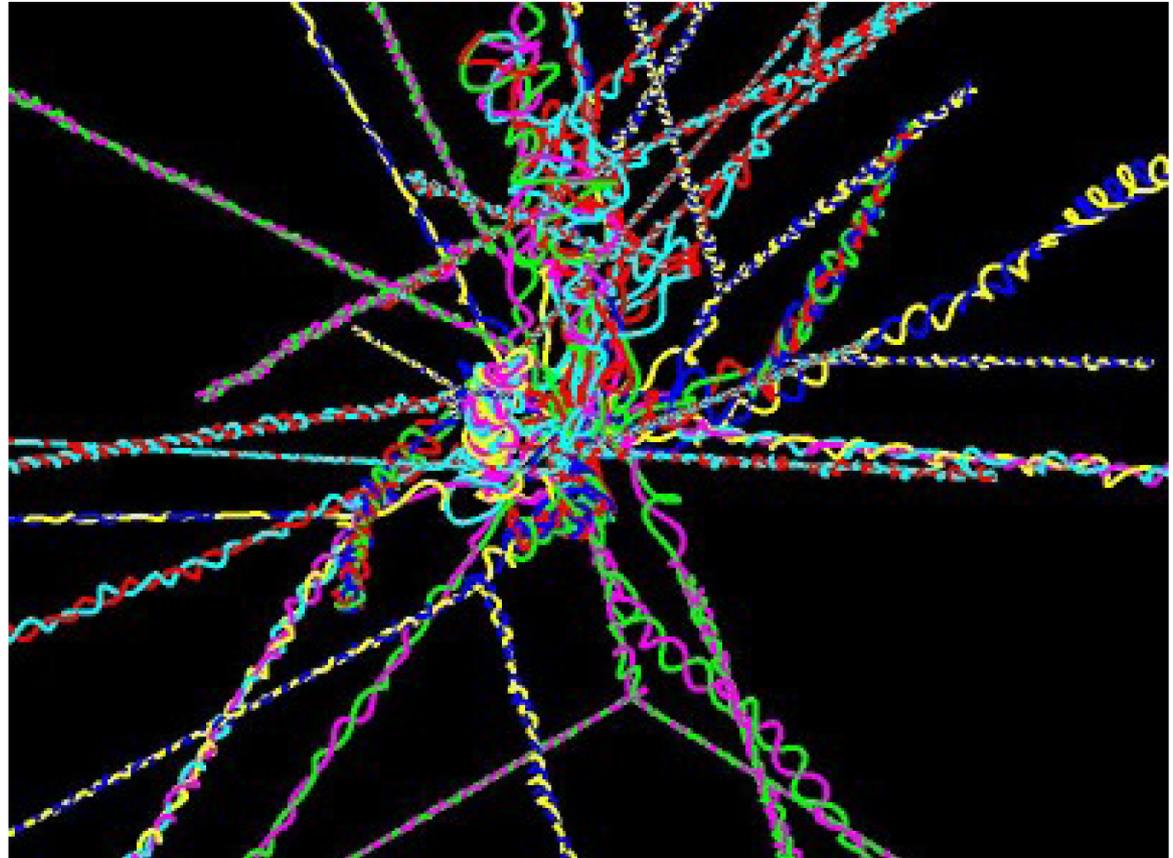
can be attractive or repulsive depending on the color of the quarks

- Quarks :

classical point-particles with light masses $m_{u,d} = 5 \text{ MeV}$, $m_s = 150 \text{ MeV}$

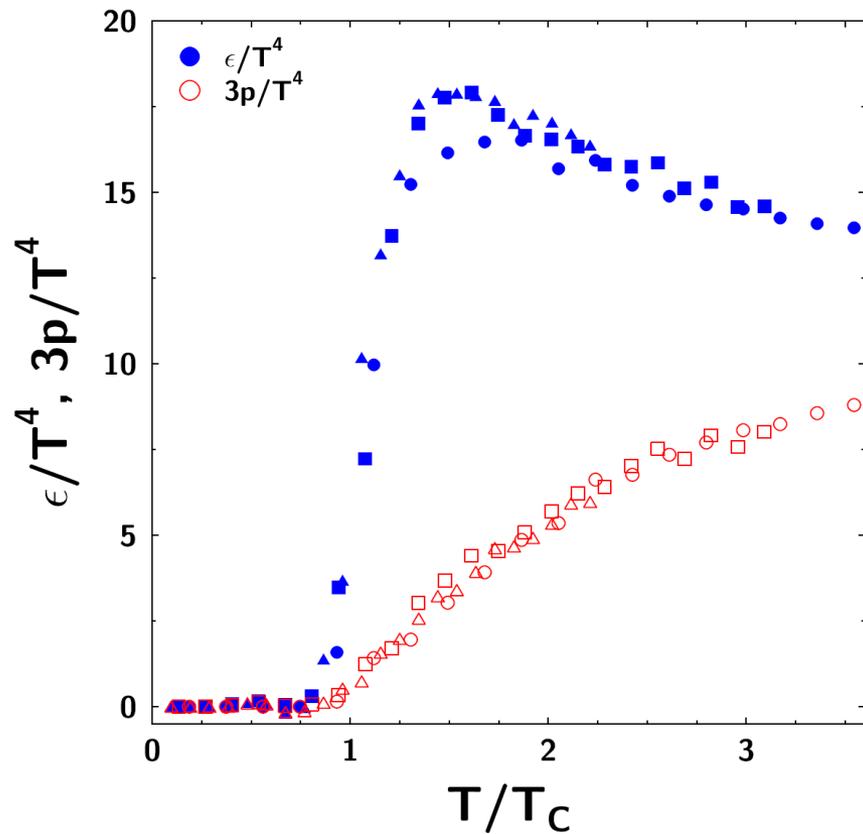
Some critical remarks on EbyE and susceptibilities

- Dynamics
- Quarks
- Mesons
- Baryons
- Confinement/
deconfinement

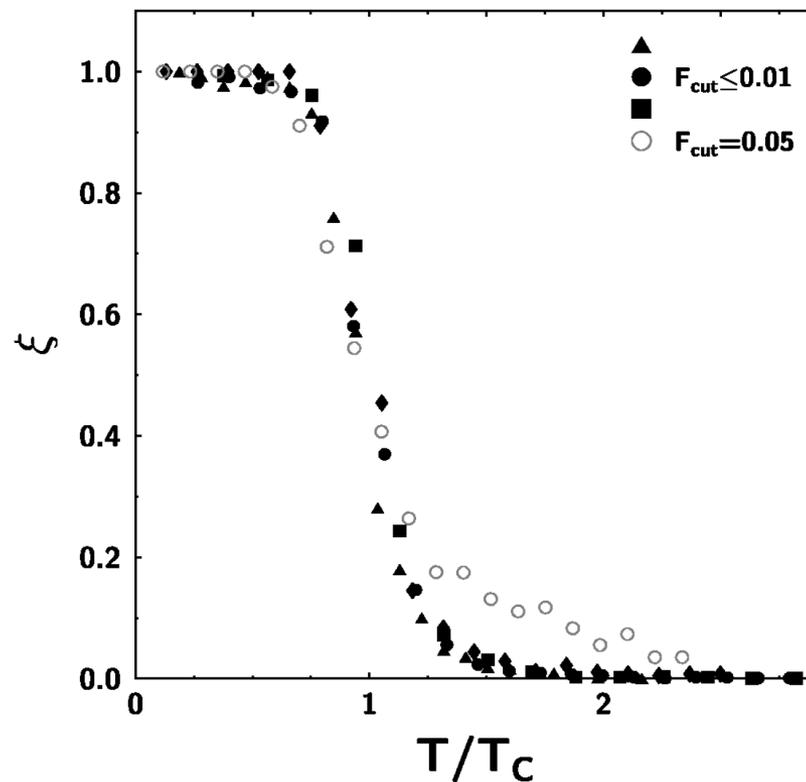


M. Hofmann, PhD thesis

Some properties: equilibrium

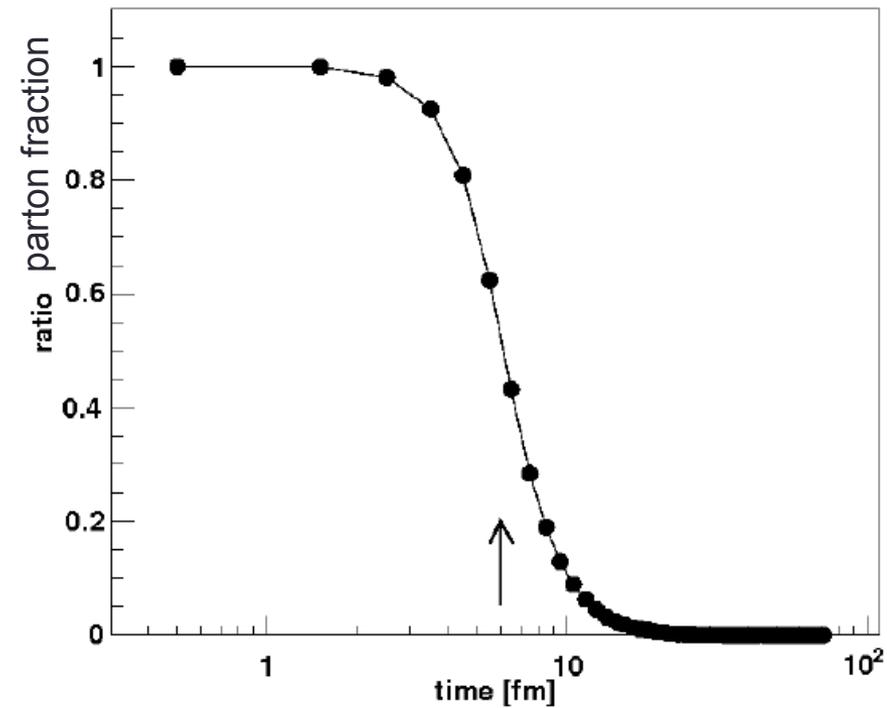
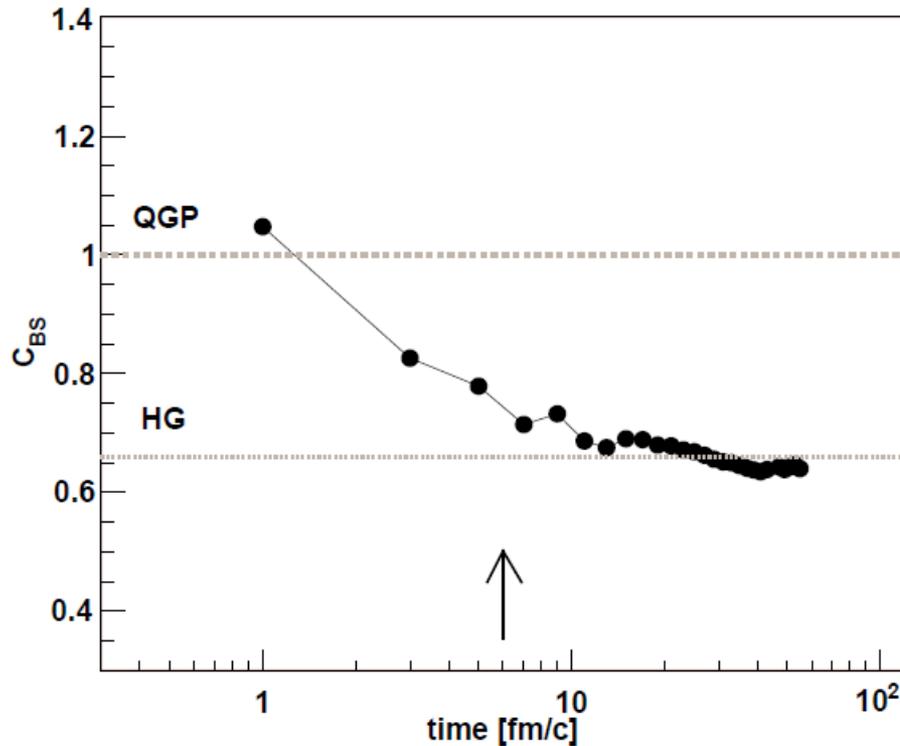


$T_c \sim 140$ MeV



$$\xi = N_{hadrons} / N_{all\ particles}$$

Time evolution



The signal vanishes at hadronization
for all observed quantities, i.e. susceptibilities

Fluctuations and susceptibilities

$$Z = \sum_i \exp[-\beta(E_i - \mu_Q Q_i - \mu_B B_i - \mu_S S_i)]$$

$$(X, Y) = (Q, B, S)$$

variances and correlations

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (\delta X)^2 \rangle &= T^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_X^2} \log(Z) = -T \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_X^2} F \\ \langle (\delta X)(\delta Y) \rangle &= T^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_X \partial \mu_Y} \log(Z) = -T \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_X^2 \mu_Y^2} F \end{aligned}$$

susceptibilities

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \delta X^2 \rangle &= -\frac{1}{V} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_X^2} F = V T \chi_X \\ \langle \delta X \delta Y \rangle &= -\frac{1}{V} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_X \partial \mu_Y} F = V T \chi_{XY} \end{aligned}$$

Hausler, Bleicher, arXiv:0803.2846: Susceptibilities and fluctuations in a Quark-Hadron System
and JPG (2008): Correlations and fluctuations of conserved charges in a dynamical recombination approach

Baryon-Strangeness Correlations

Koch, Majumder, Randrup. Phys.Rev.Lett.95:182301,2005.

S. H., Stoecker, Bleicher. Phys.Rev.C73:021901,2006.

In a QGP, strangeness is always carried together with baryon number

In a Hadron Gas, Strangeness can be carried without baryon number

$$C_{BS} = -3 \frac{\langle BS \rangle - \langle B \rangle \langle S \rangle}{\langle S^2 \rangle - \langle S \rangle^2} \approx -3 \frac{\langle BS \rangle}{\langle S^2 \rangle}$$

expectation values :

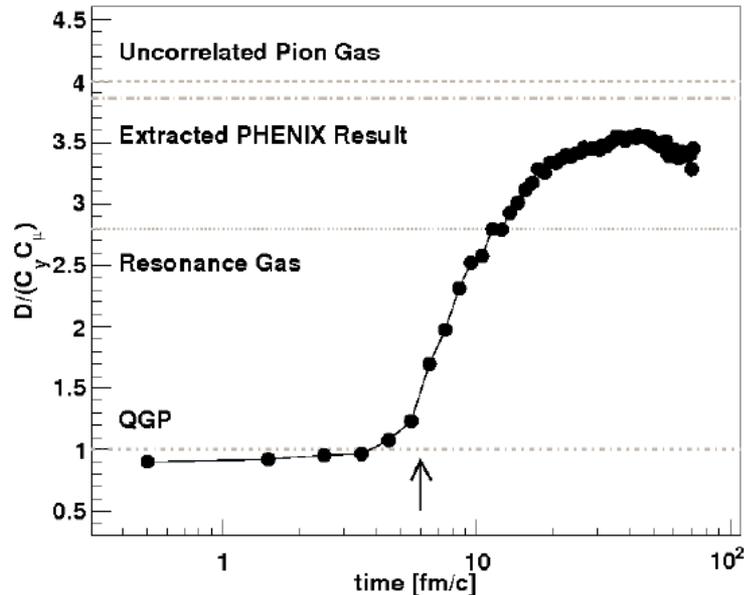
- $C_{BS} = 1$ in a QGP
- $C_{BS} = 0.66$ in a HG
($T = 170$ MeV, $\mu = 0$)

related quantities :

some particles are difficult to measure

- $C_{QS} = \frac{\langle QS \rangle - \langle Q \rangle \langle S \rangle}{\langle S^2 \rangle - \langle S \rangle^2} \approx \frac{3 - C_{BS}}{2}$
- $C_{MS} \approx C_{BS}$ with $M = B + 2I_3$
- take into account only strange charged particles

Recombination and fluctuation



$$\tilde{D} = \frac{\langle N_{\text{ch}} \rangle_{\Delta y} \langle \delta R^2 \rangle_{\Delta y}}{C_{\mu} C_y} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{quark gluon gas} \\ 2.8 & \text{resonance gas} \\ 4 & \text{uncorrelated pion gas} \end{cases}$$

$$C_{\mu} = \tilde{R}_{\Delta y}^2 = \frac{\langle N_{+} \rangle_{\Delta y}^2}{\langle N_{-} \rangle_{\Delta y}^2}$$

$$C_y = 1 - P = 1 - \frac{\langle N_{\text{ch}} \rangle_{\Delta y}}{\langle N_{\text{ch}} \rangle_{\text{total}}}$$

Recombination kills the fluctuations

- $\tilde{D} = 1$ in the quark matter phase
- \tilde{D} is compatible with the experiment result in the late stage
- Hadronization and the increase of \tilde{D} occur at the same time

Summary

- No real dynamical model for the phase transition exists
- Hybrid and hydro approaches circumvent the modeling of the PT
- Explicit quark dynamics can not capture feature like gauge invariance
- Major developments are still needed!