

# The UrQMD transport model and its applications

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# Most interesting results

- Listen to the talk of
- Tom Reichert (Tuesday) – Thermal model or not?!
- Jan Steinheimer (Wednesday) – Hyper clusters!

# Motivation

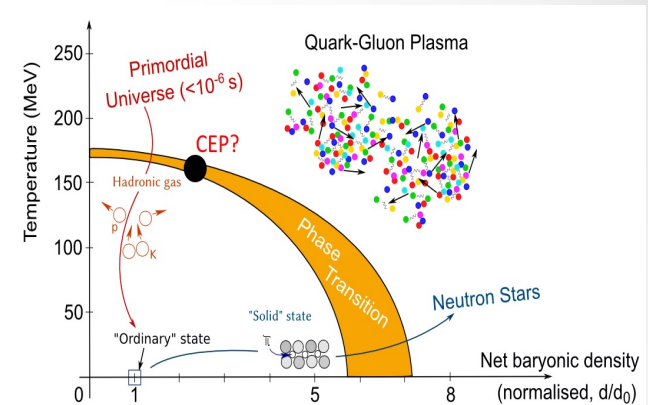
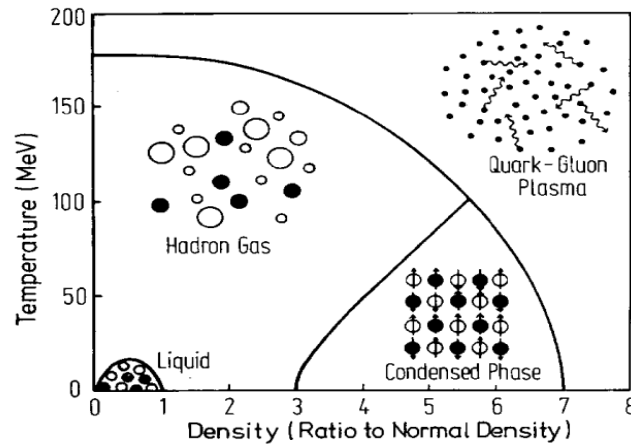
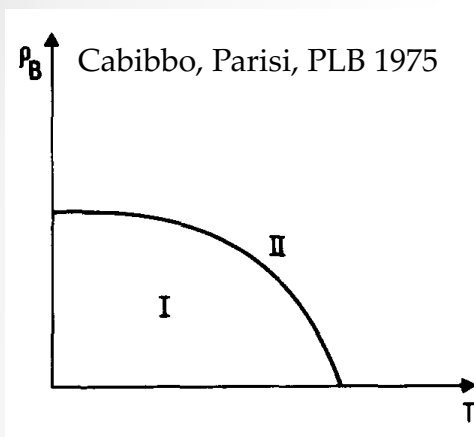
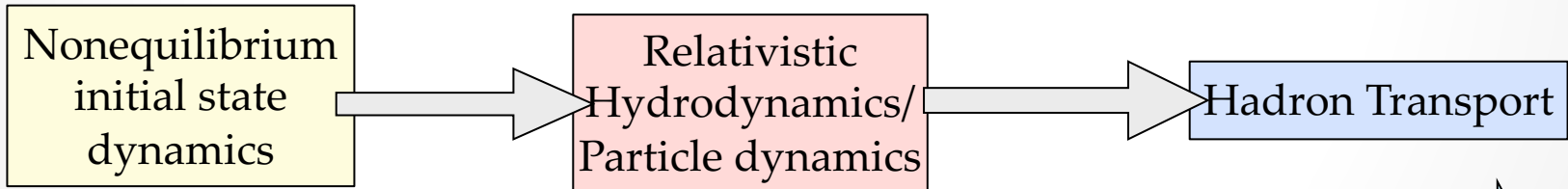
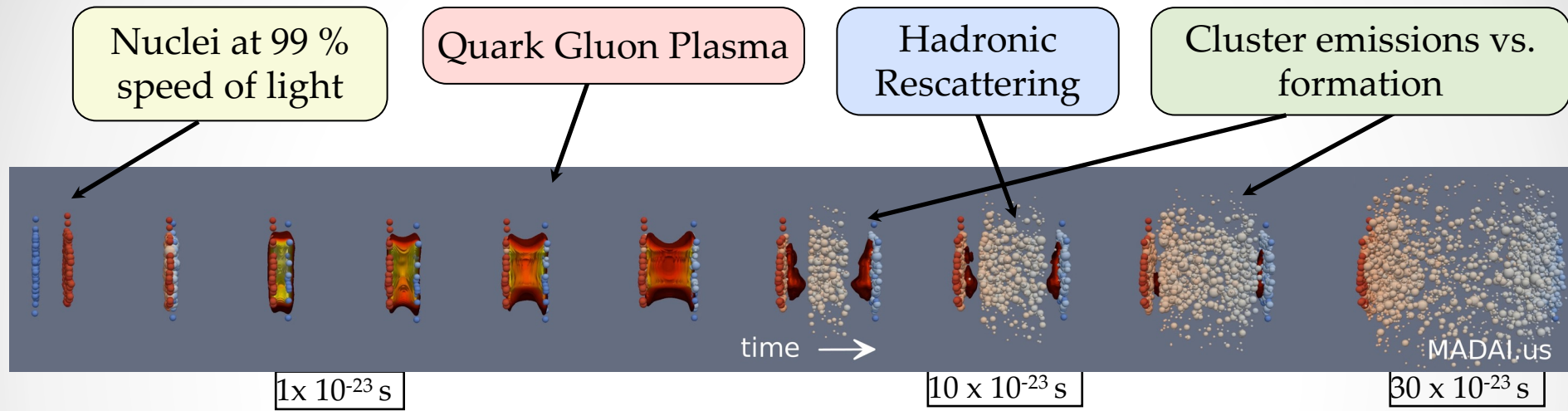


Fig. 1. Schematic phase diagram of hadronic matter.  $\rho_B$  is the density of baryonic number. Quarks are confined in phase I and unconfined in phase II.

- Learn about phase structure of QCD
- Explore strangeness, fluctuations, leptons, clusters, spectra, flow, fluctuations, correlations,...
- Unfortunately we do not have QCD in box  $\rightarrow$  simulations
- Unfortunately modelling a phase transition is still not fully possible

# Time Evolution of Heavy Ion Collisions



At high energies hybrid approaches are very successful for the description of the dynamics

# Ultra-relativistic Quantum Molecular Dynamics (UrQMD)

## Hadron cascade (standard mode)

- Based on the propagation of hadrons
- Rescattering among hadrons is fully included
- String excitation/decay (LUND picture/PYTHIA) at higher energies
- Provides a solution of the relativistic n-body transport eq.:

$$p^\mu \cdot \partial_\mu f_i(x^\nu, p^\nu) = C_i$$

The collision term C includes more than 100 hadrons

- “*Standard Reference*” for low and intermediate energy hadron and nucleus interactions

M. Bleicher et al, J.Phys. G25 (1999) 1859-1896

nucleon	$\Delta$	$\Lambda$	$\Sigma$	$\Xi$	$\Omega$
$N_{938}$	$\Delta_{1232}$	$\Lambda_{1116}$	$\Sigma_{1192}$	$\Xi_{1317}$	$\Omega_{1672}$
$N_{1440}$	$\Delta_{1600}$	$\Lambda_{1405}$	$\Sigma_{1385}$	$\Xi_{1530}$	
$N_{1520}$	$\Delta_{1620}$	$\Lambda_{1520}$	$\Sigma_{1660}$	$\Xi_{1690}$	
$N_{1535}$	$\Delta_{1700}$	$\Lambda_{1600}$	$\Sigma_{1670}$	$\Xi_{1820}$	
$N_{1650}$	$\Delta_{1900}$	$\Lambda_{1670}$	$\Sigma_{1775}$	$\Xi_{1950}$	
$N_{1675}$	$\Delta_{1905}$	$\Lambda_{1690}$	$\Sigma_{1790}$	$\Xi_{2025}$	
$N_{1680}$	$\Delta_{1910}$	$\Lambda_{1800}$	$\Sigma_{1915}$		
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$N_{1900}$		$\Lambda_{1890}$			
$N_{1990}$		$\Lambda_{2100}$			
$N_{2080}$		$\Lambda_{2110}$			
$N_{2190}$					
$N_{2200}$					
$N_{2250}$					

$0^{-+}$	$1^{--}$	$0^{++}$	$1^{++}$
$\pi$	$\rho$	$a_0$	$a_1$
$K$	$K^*$	$K_0^*$	$K_1^*$
$\eta$	$\omega$	$f_0$	$f_1$
$\eta'$	$\phi$	$f_0^*$	$f_1'$
$1^{+-}$	$2^{++}$	$(1^{--})^*$	$(1^{--})^{**}$
$b_1$	$a_2$	$\rho_{1450}$	$\rho_{1700}$
$K_1$	$K_2^*$	$K_{1410}^*$	$K_{1680}^*$
$h_1$	$f_2$	$\omega_{1420}$	$\omega_{1662}$
$h_1'$	$f_2'$	$\phi_{1680}$	$\phi_{1900}$

## List of included particles

- Binary interactions between all implemented particles are treated
- Cross sections are taken from data or models
- Resonances are implemented in Breit-Wigner form
- No in-medium modifications

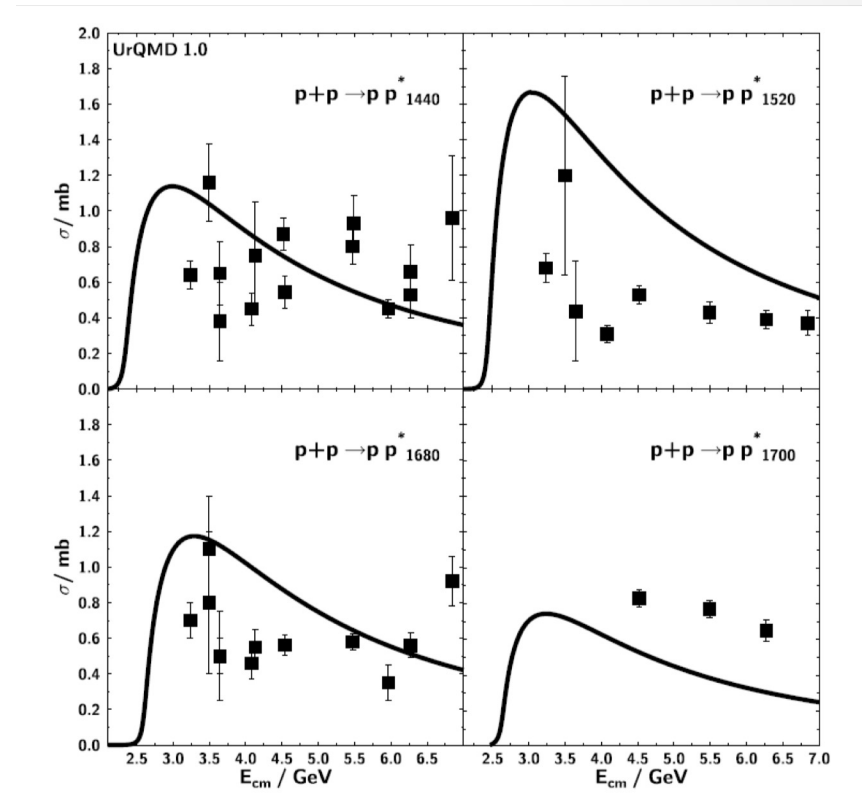
# Baryon-baryon scattering cross section

- Phase space x matrix element:

$$\sigma_{tot}^{BB}(\sqrt{s}) \propto (2S_D + 1)(2S_E + 1) \frac{\langle p_{D,E} \rangle}{\langle p_{A,C} \rangle} \frac{1}{s} |\mathcal{M}|^2$$

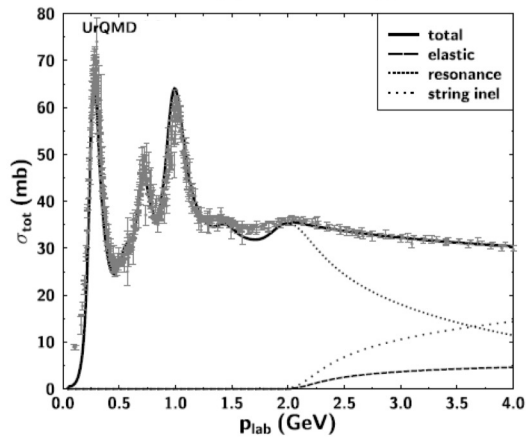
- Matrix element is fitted to data for groups of resonance channels
- Detailed balance is fulfilled for the inverse reaction:

$$\sigma(y \rightarrow x) p_y^2 g_y = \sigma(x \rightarrow y) p_x^2 g_x$$

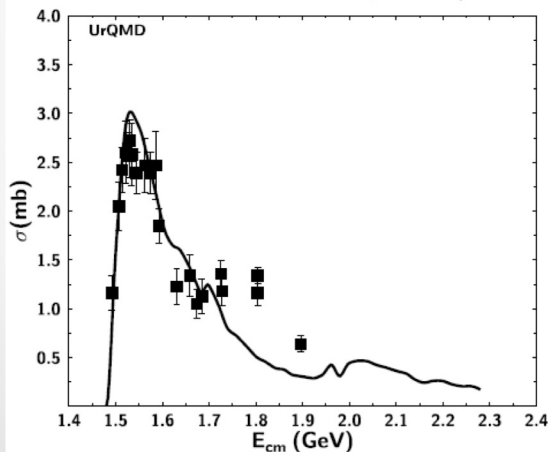


# Meson-baryon scattering cross section (resonances)

$\pi^- + p$  scattering



cross section:  $\pi^- p \rightarrow n \eta$

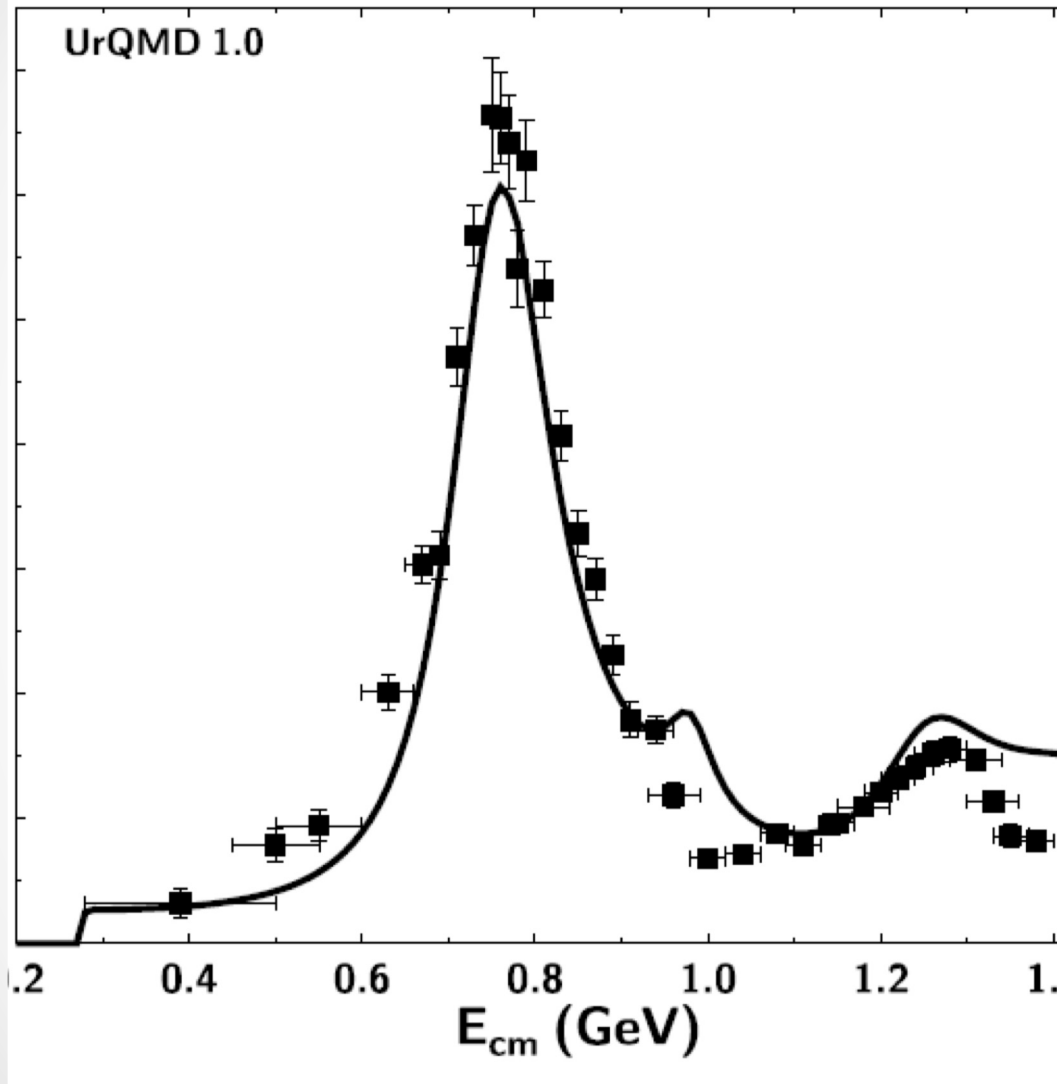


resonance	mass	width	$N_\gamma$	$N_\pi$	$N_\eta$	$N_\omega$	$N_\rho$	$N_{\pi\pi}$	$\Delta_{1232\pi}$	$N_{1440\pi}^*$	$\Delta K$
$N_{1440}^*$	1.440	200		0.70				0.05	0.25		
$N_{1520}^*$	1.520	125		0.60				0.15	0.25		
$N_{1535}^*$	1.535	150	0.001	0.55	0.35			0.05		0.05	
$N_{1650}^*$	1.650	150		0.65	0.05			0.05	0.10	0.05	0.10
$N_{1675}^*$	1.675	140		0.45					0.55		
$N_{1680}^*$	1.680	120		0.65				0.20	0.15		
$N_{1700}^*$	1.700	100		0.10	0.05		0.05	0.45	0.35		
$N_{1710}^*$	1.710	110		0.15	0.20		0.05	0.20	0.20	0.10	0.10
$N_{1720}^*$	1.720	150		0.15			0.25	0.45	0.10		0.05
$N_{1900}^*$	1.870	500		0.35		0.55	0.05		0.05		
$N_{1990}^*$	1.990	550		0.05			0.15	0.25	0.30	0.15	0.10
$N_{2080}^*$	2.040	250		0.60	0.05		0.25	0.05	0.05		
$N_{2190}^*$	2.190	550		0.35			0.30	0.15	0.15	0.05	
$N_{2220}^*$	2.220	550		0.35			0.25	0.20	0.20		
$N_{2250}^*$	2.250	470		0.30			0.25	0.20	0.20	0.05	
$\Delta_{1232}$	1.232	115.	0.01	1.00							
$\Delta_{1600}^*$	1.700	200		0.15					0.55	0.30	
$\Delta_{1620}^*$	1.675	180		0.25					0.60	0.15	
$\Delta_{1700}^*$	1.750	300		0.20			0.10		0.55	0.15	
$\Delta_{1900}^*$	1.850	240		0.30			0.15		0.30	0.25	
$\Delta_{1905}^*$	1.880	280		0.20			0.60		0.10	0.10	
$\Delta_{1910}^*$	1.900	250		0.35			0.40		0.15	0.10	
$\Delta_{1920}^*$	1.920	150		0.15			0.30		0.30	0.25	
$\Delta_{1930}^*$	1.930	250		0.20			0.25		0.25	0.30	
$\Delta_{1950}^*$	1.950	250	0.01	0.45			0.15		0.20	0.20	

$$\sigma_{tot}^{MB}(\sqrt{s}) = \sum_{R=\Delta, N^*} \langle j_B, m_B, j_M, m_M || J_R, M_R \rangle \frac{2S_R + 1}{(2S_B + 1)(2S_M + 1)} \times \frac{\pi}{p_{cm}^2} \frac{\Gamma_{R \rightarrow MB} \Gamma_{tot}}{(M_R - \sqrt{s})^2 + \Gamma_{tot}^2/4},$$



# $\pi^+ \pi^-$ scattering

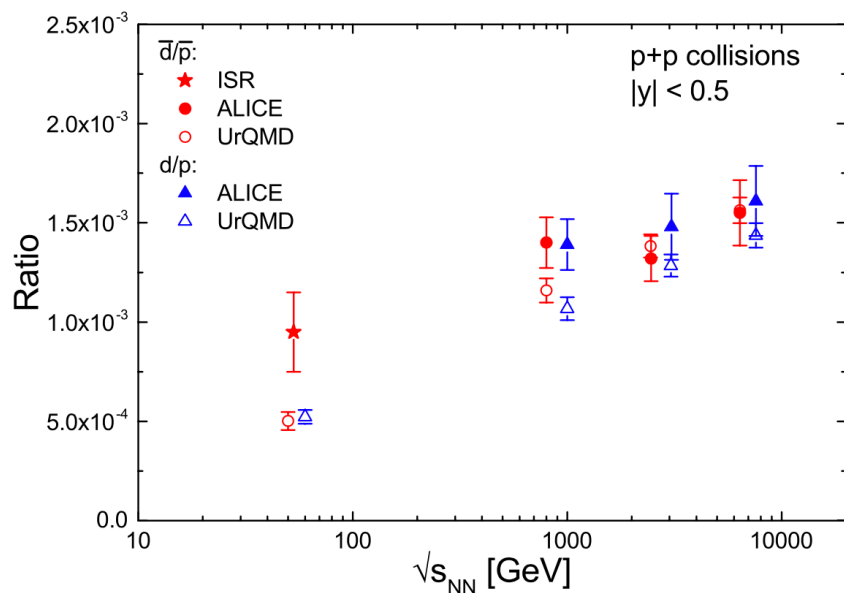


## Meson-meson scattering

- Meson-meson scattering in the resonance region is treated in analogy to the meson-baryon scattering
- At higher energies, also t-channel excitation is taken into account

# Proton-proton collisions

## Deuteron (anti-deuteron): ratios



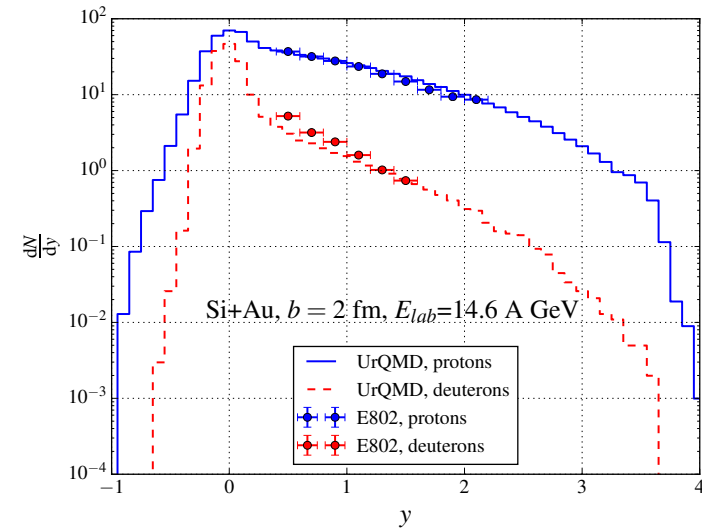
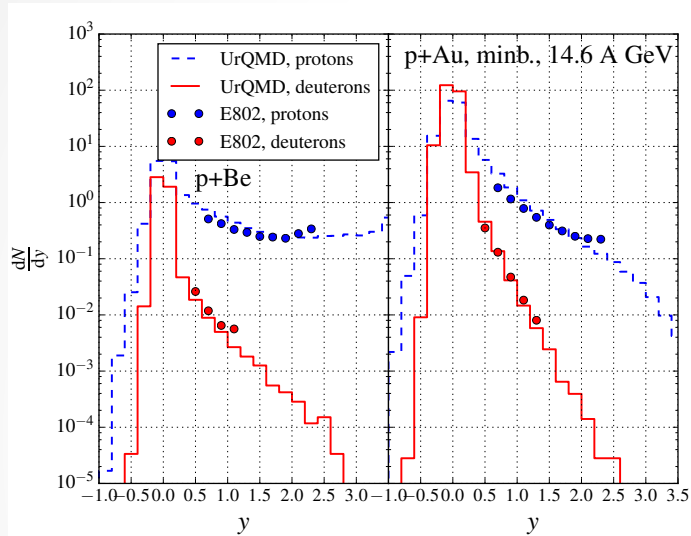
## Absolute yields

	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (TeV)	$dN/dy$	
		ALICE	UrQMD
$d$	0.9	$(1.12 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-4}$	$(0.96 \pm 0.05) \times 10^{-4}$
	2.76	$(1.53 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.13) \times 10^{-4}$	$(1.47 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-4}$
$\bar{d}$	0.9	$(1.11 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-4}$	$(1.00 \pm 0.05) \times 10^{-4}$
	2.76	$(1.37 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-4}$	$(1.55 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{-4}$
	7	$(1.92 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.15) \times 10^{-4}$	$(2.22 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-4}$

Good description even of pp by coalescence

Absolute yields in line with ALICE data

# Comparison to low energy data (small systems)

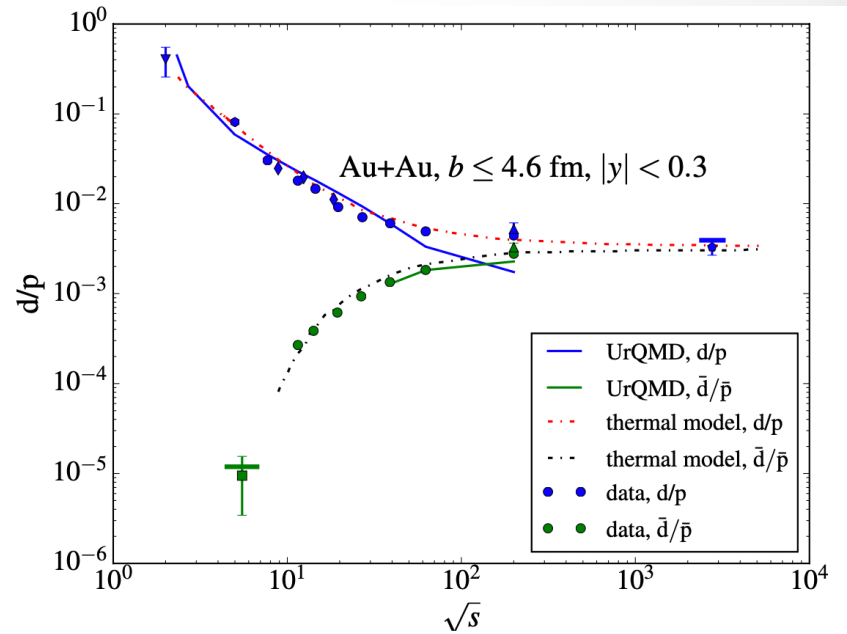
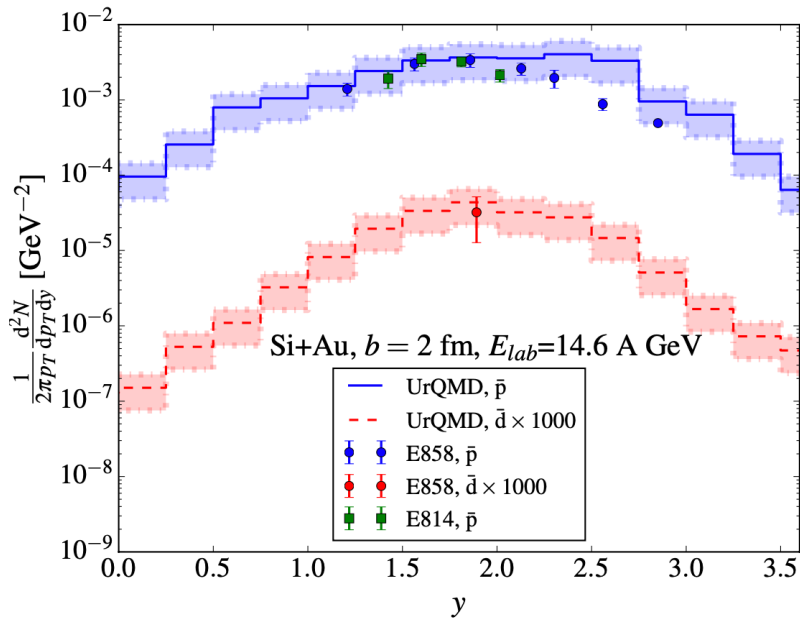


Proton and deuteron  
rapidity distribution in  
p+Be, p+Au reaction at  
 $E_{lab} = 14.6$  A GeV

Proton and deuteron  
rapidity distribution for  
Si+Au reactions at  
 $E_{lab} = 14.6$  A GeV

- Baryon energy loss in line with data at low energies

# Side remark on anti-deuterons



Anti-proton and anti-deuteron rapidity distribution for Si+Au reactions at  $E_{lab} = 14.6 \text{ A GeV}$

$d/p$  and anti-d/anti-p ratios as function of energy, UrQMD vs data vs thermal model

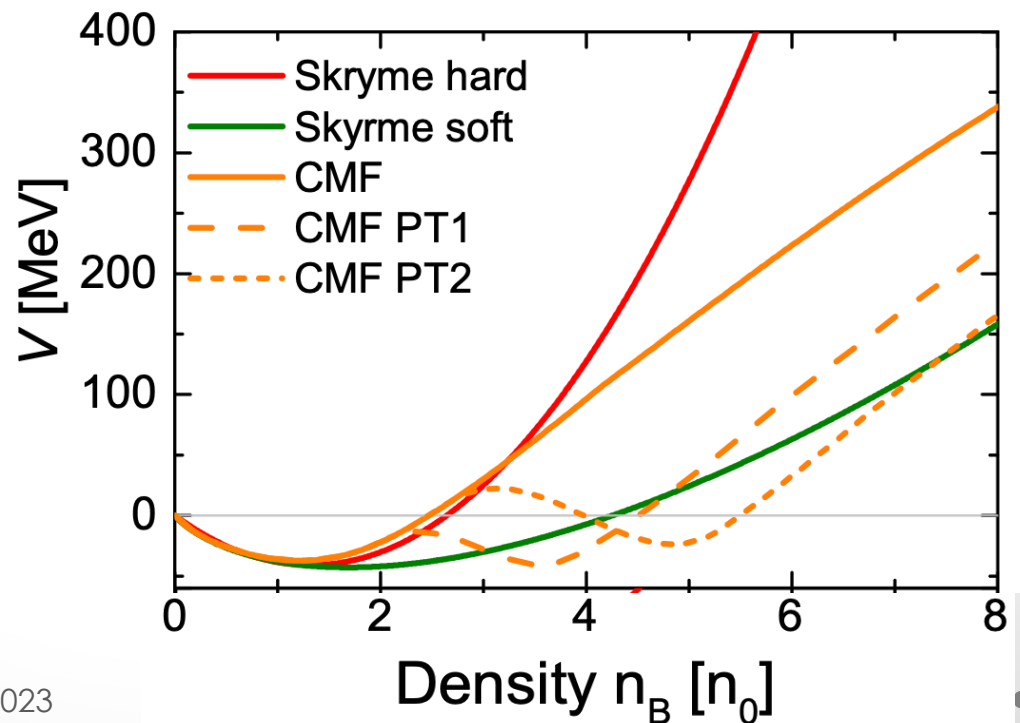
- Substantial amount of anti-deuteron production even near threshold
- Relevance for dark matter...

# Ultra-relativistic Quantum Molecular Dynamics (UrQMD)

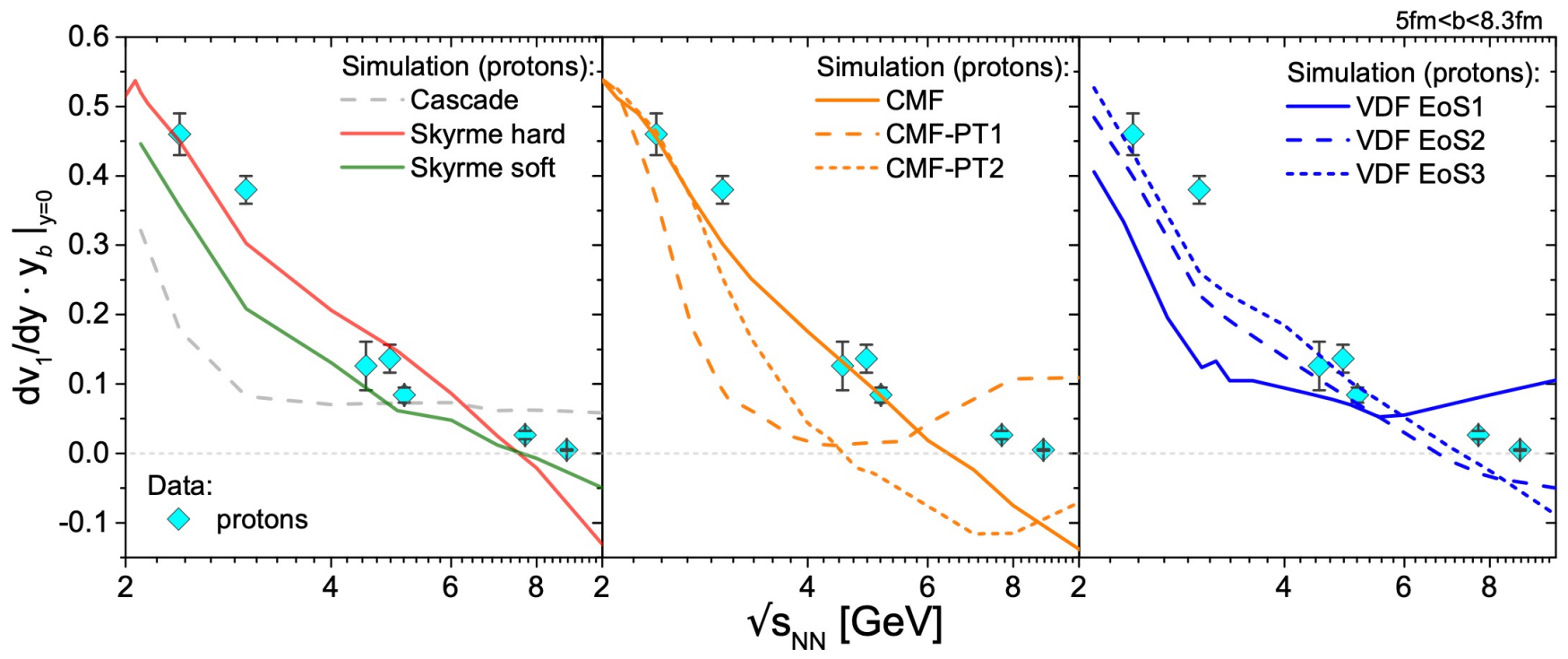
## Potential mode calculations (RHIC-BES energies):

- Cascade calculation can be supplemented by hadronic potentials – standard: hard/soft Skyrme type
- Other potentials mimicking a phase transition are also possible.

Steinheimer, Moronenko, Sorensen  
Nara, Koch Bleicher,  
*Eur.Phys.J.C* 82 (2022) 911



# Studying effects of the phase transition



- Inclusion of different potentials (including those mimicking a phase transition or cross over) allows to make prediction of effects

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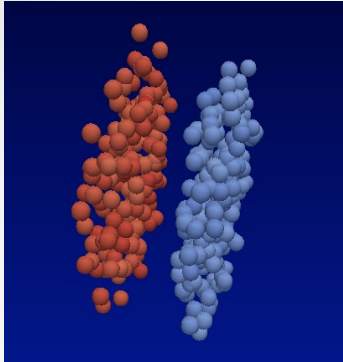
## Hybrid mode calculations (RHIC and LHC energies)

- At energies above 100 GeV (CM-energy) the early intermediate state should not be modeled by strings and particles alone
- To take the local equilibration and the phase transition to a QGP into account, a hydrodynamic phase is introduced
- This is known as hybrid model (Boltzmann+hydrodynamics), hybrid models have become the standard at RHIC and LHC energies

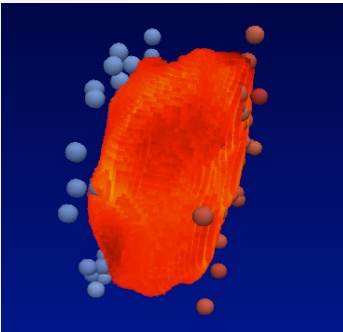
Petersen, Steinheimer, Burau, Bleicher et al,  
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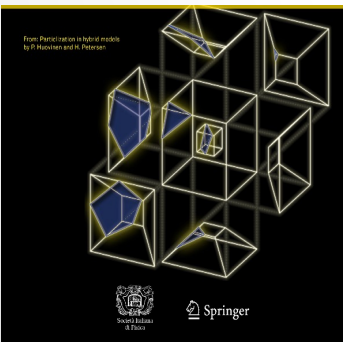
# Option: Hybrid model



- 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  $\mu_B$



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

H.Petersen, M. Bleicher et al, PRC78 (2008) 044901



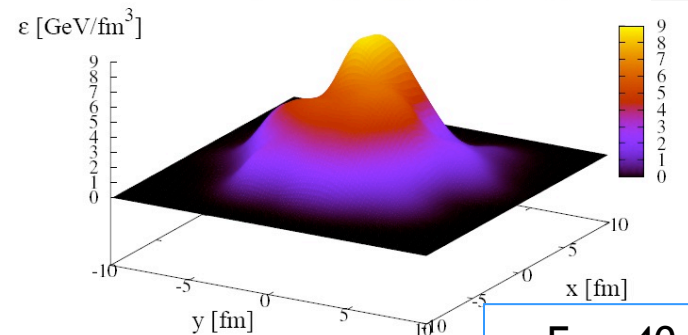
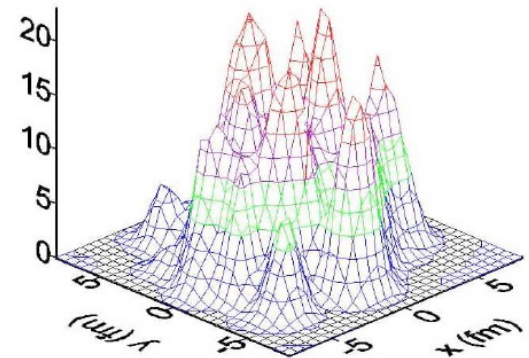
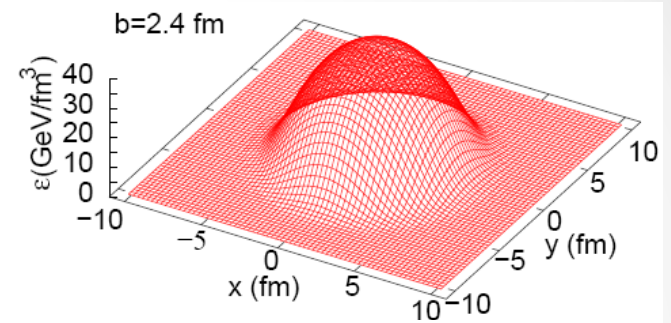
# Initial State

- 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

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



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

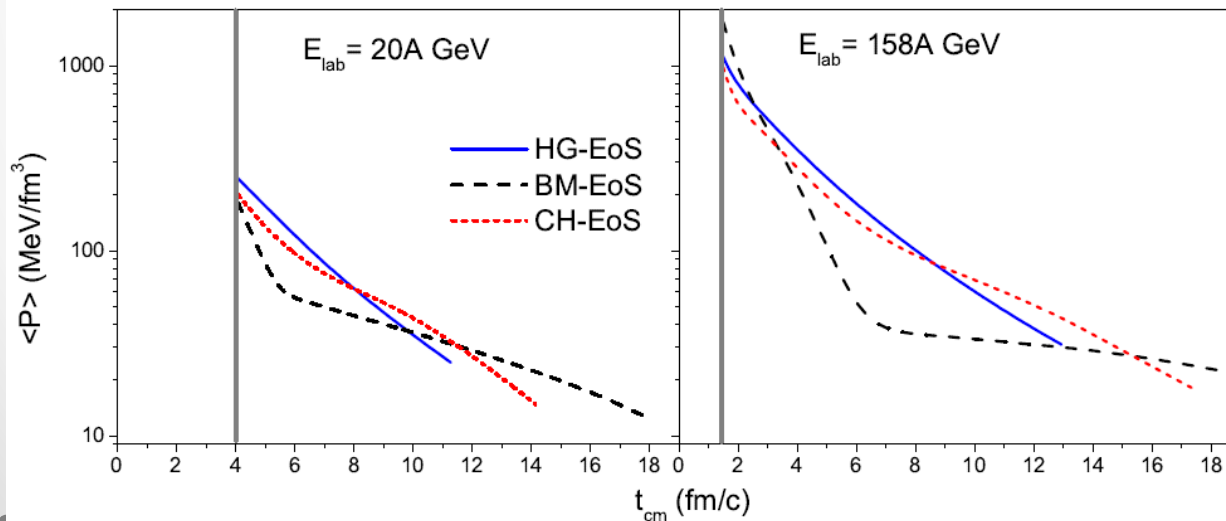
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# Equations of State

**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



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PRC 59, 411, 1999

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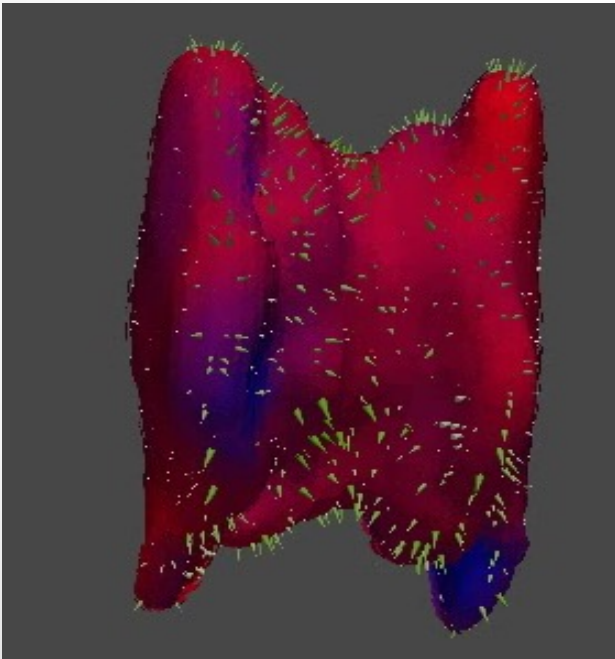
# Hadronization, Particlization, Decoupling

Experiments observe **finite number** of hadrons in detectors

**Hadronization** controlled by the equation of state

Sampling of particles according to **Cooper-Frye** equation:

- Respect **conservation laws**, maybe even locally?
- Introduces fluctuations on its own



$$E \frac{dN}{d^3p} = \int_{\sigma} f(x, p) p^{\mu} d\sigma_{\mu}$$

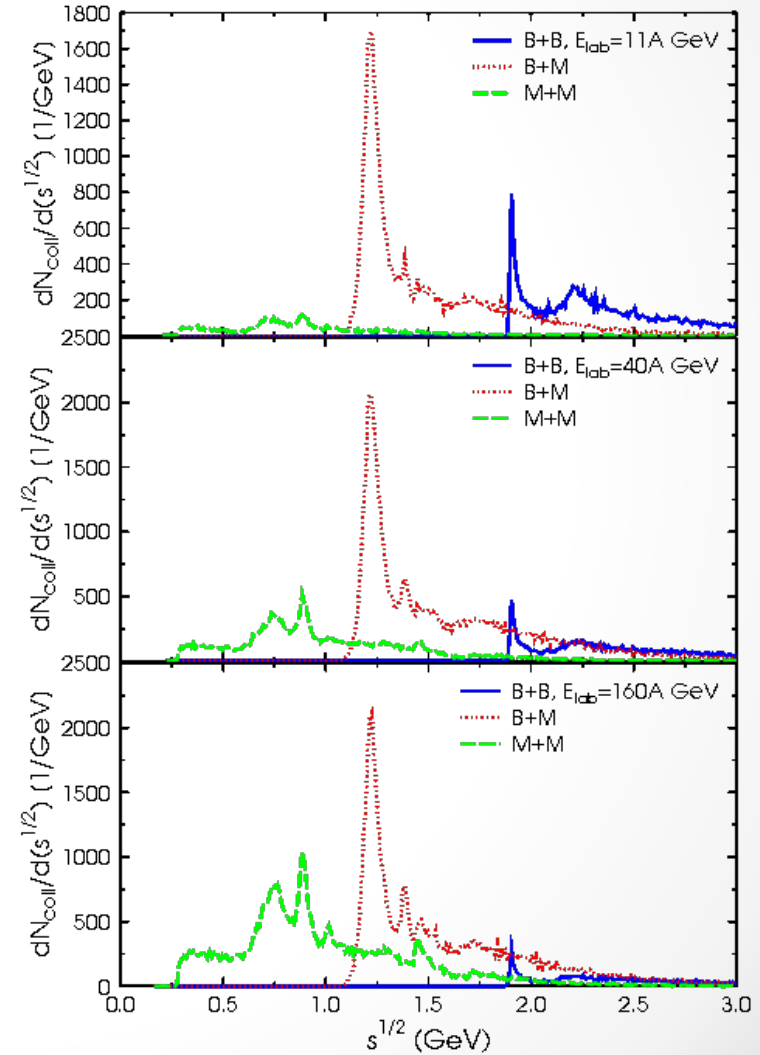
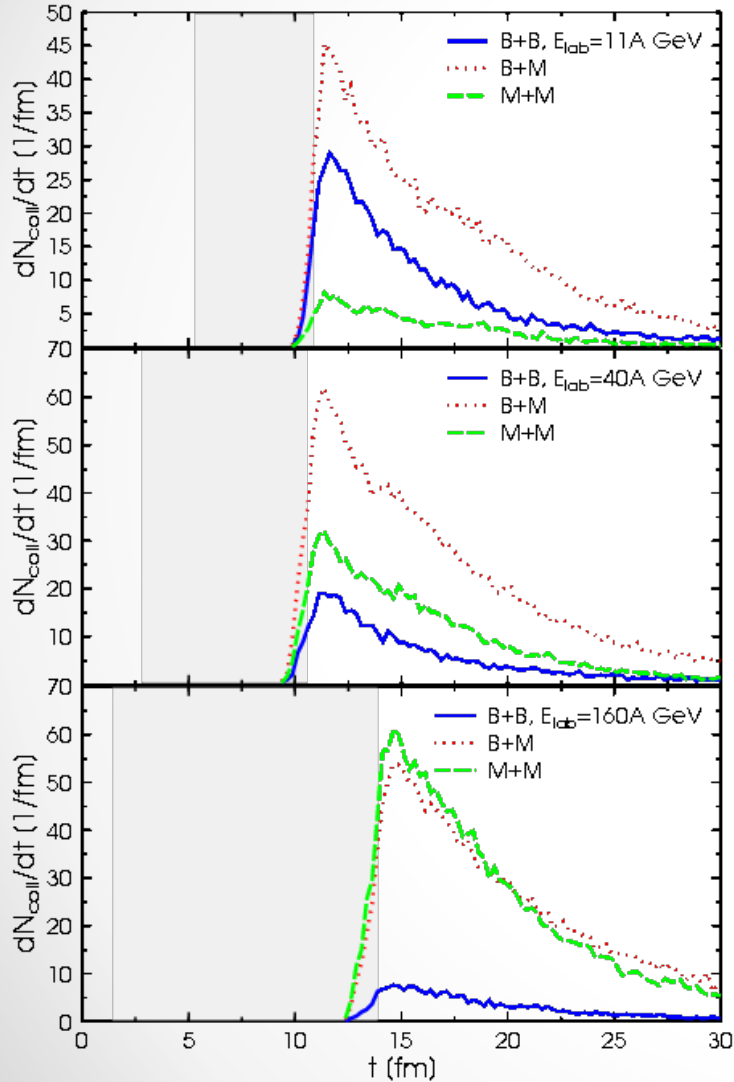
→ Yields 4-momenta, 4-positions of hadrons on the hypersurface

→ Final propagation

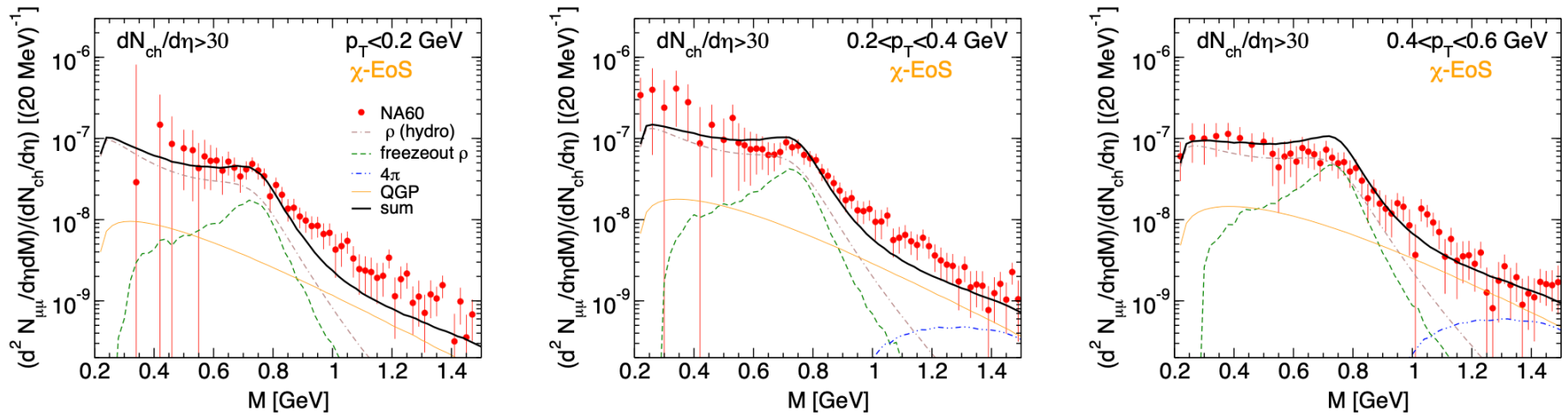
Relativistic transport equation  $(p^{\mu} \partial_{\mu}) f = I_{coll}$

Sophisticated 3D hypersurface finder to resolve interesting structures in event-by-event simulations  
Petersen, Huovinen, arXiv:1206.3371

# Final State Interactions (after Hydro)



# Dileptons from hybrid approaches



- Using in-medium dilepton rates, a hydrodynamic evolution with a chiral EoS, and late stage hadron dynamics
- Allows for a full description of the dilepton yields at SPS energies

Santini, Steinheimer, Bleicher, et al, Phys.Rev.C 84 (2011) 014901

# Summary

- Transport models are good tools to describe the dynamics of matter in heavy ion collisions
- UrQMD 3.5 has different modes to allow for the inclusion of various different physics scenarios
- These scenarios can be systematically tested and allow for predictions/analysis of a broad spectrum of observables