

*Exploring the phase diagram
of matter with virtual
photons*

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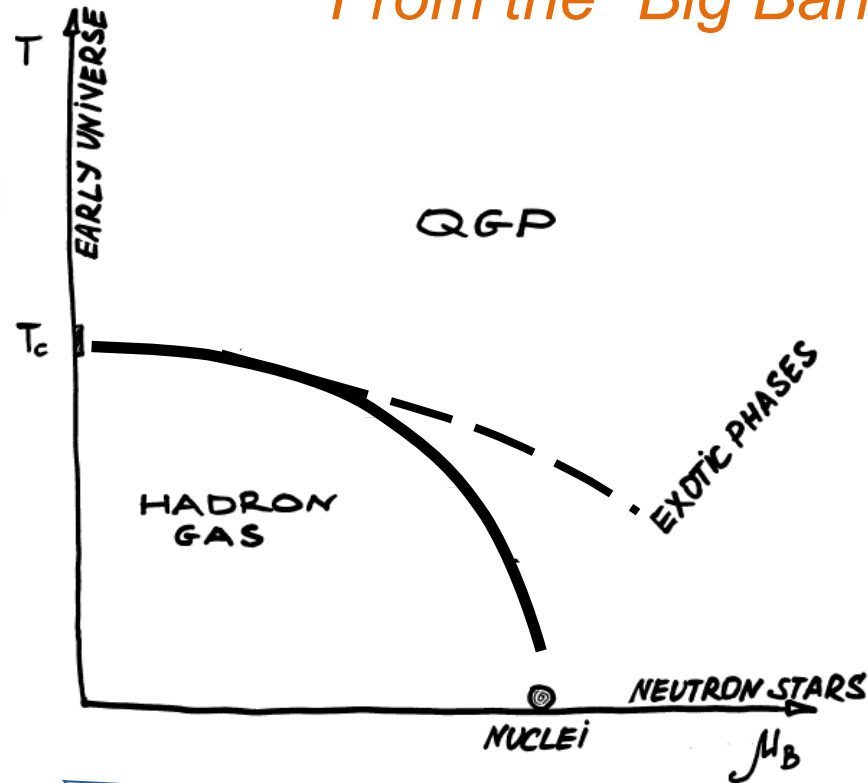
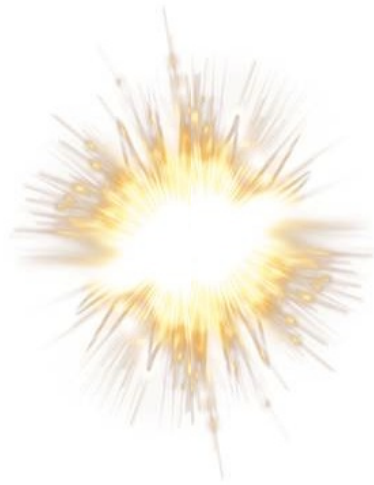
for the HADES and CBM Collaborations



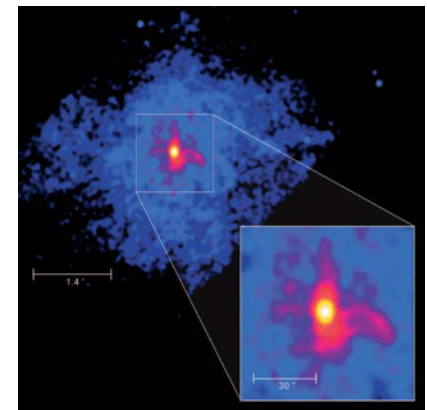
Nuclear matter in the universe

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From the "Big Bang" to neutron stars



Accessible through
heavy-ion collisions

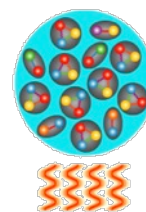
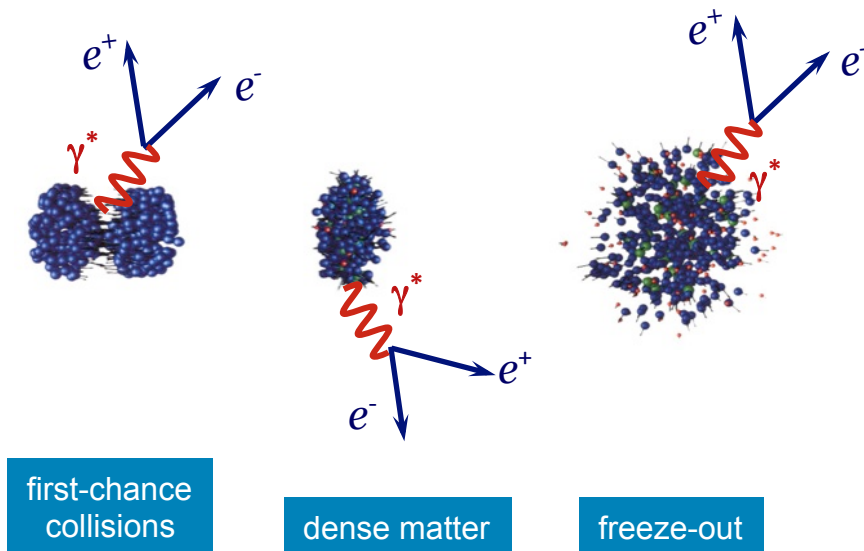


Electromagnetic structure of dense/hot matter

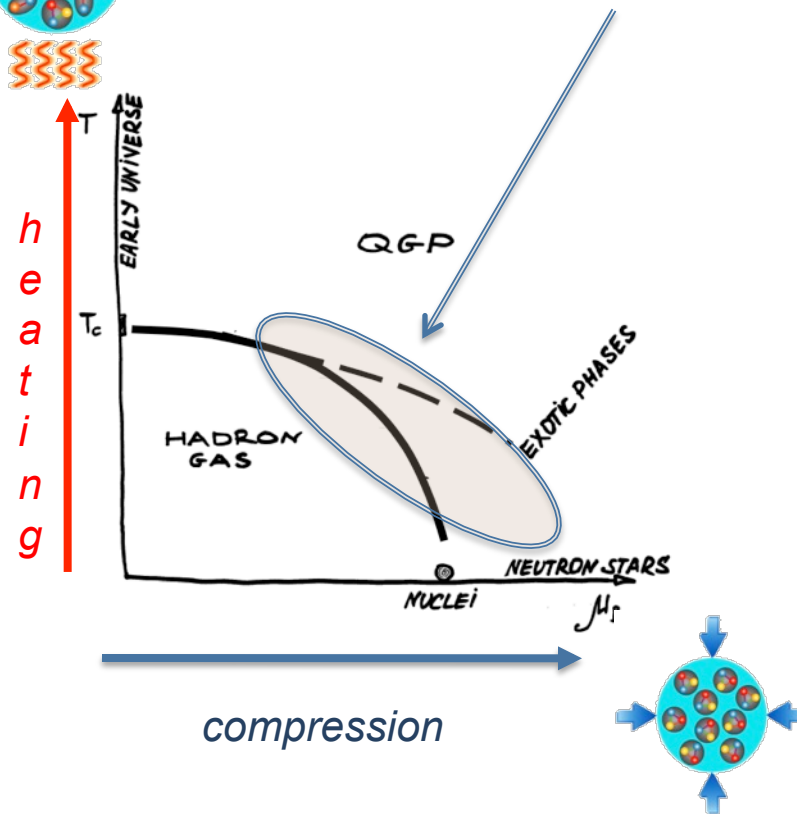
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Electromagnetic radiation is one of the probes of the interior of compressed matter

The three stages of a heavy-ion collision



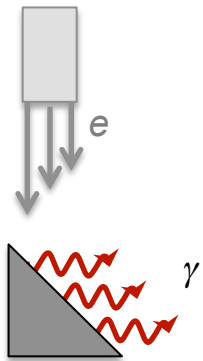
Search (in this region) for new states of matter



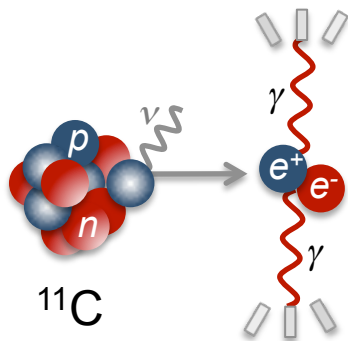
Photons and medical science (an old story)

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Electromagnetic radiation as a tool to study properties of “matter”



X-ray technology has allowed us to see inside the human body since 1895

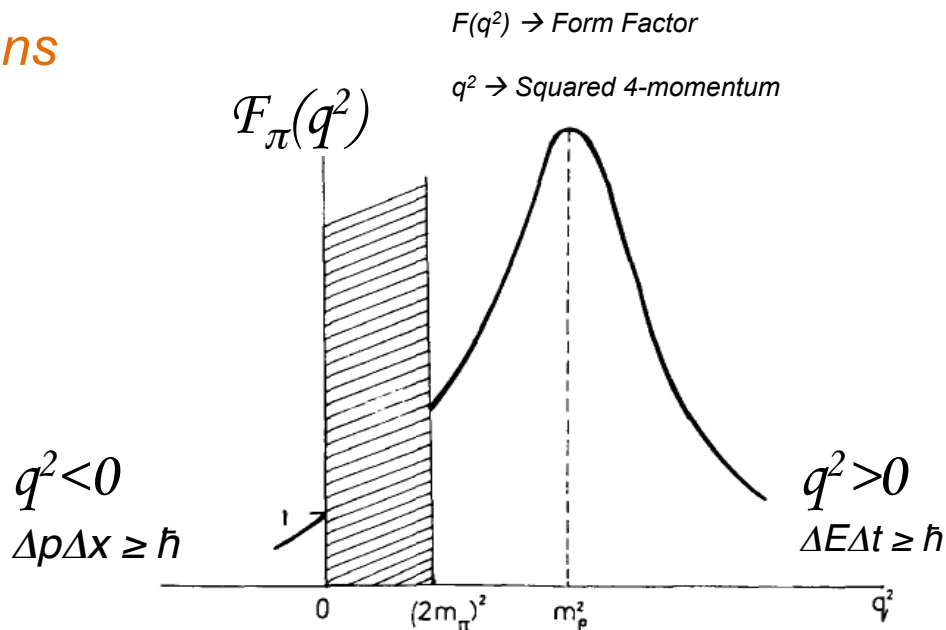
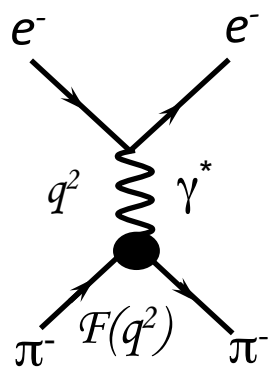


Positron Emission Tomography
(3D imaging of the human body)

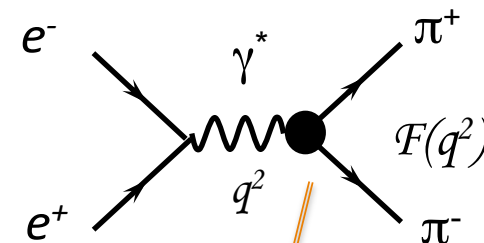
How do photons couple to hadrons?

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space-like photons



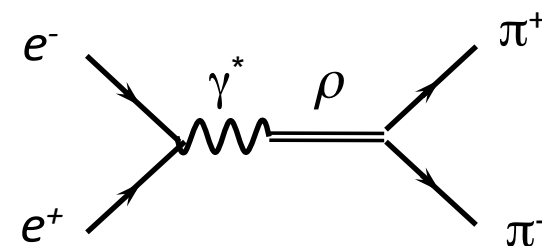
time-like photons



Low mass region, $M_{II} \leq 1.1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

$$\text{Im } \Pi_{EM} \sim \left[\text{Im } D_\rho + \frac{1}{9} \text{Im } D_\omega + \frac{2}{9} \text{Im } D_\phi \right]$$

ρ – meson dominated



$J^P = 1^-$ for both γ^* and Vector Meson
Vector Meson Dominance model
Observable: vector mesons (ρ, ω, ϕ)

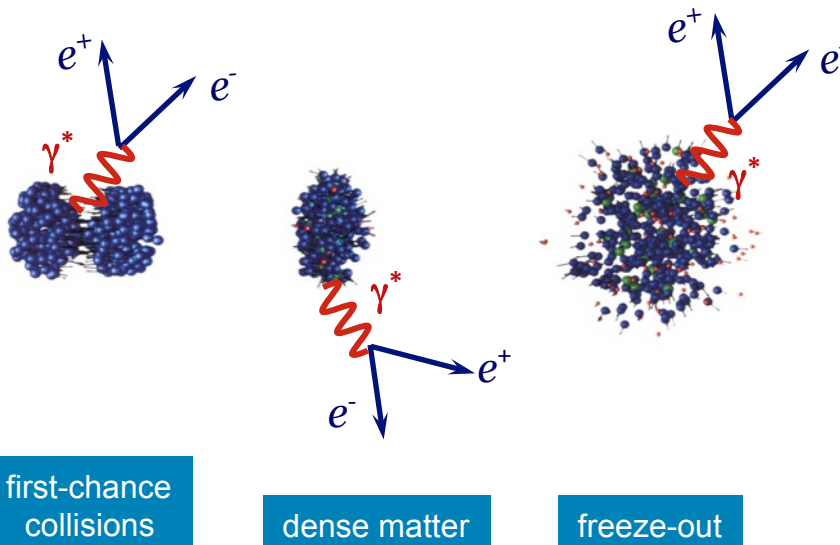
Emissivity of strongly interacting matter

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Invariant mass spectrum directly reflects thermal emission rate

$$\frac{dN_{ll}}{d^4x d^4q} = -\frac{\alpha_{EM}^2}{\pi^3} \frac{L(M)}{M^2} f^B(q_0; T) \text{Im} \Pi_{EM}^{\mu\nu}(M, q; \mu_B, T)$$

- Vector current coupling to photons (and dileptons)
 - Emissivity of hadronic matter
 - In-medium spectral functions



- The dilepton signal contains **contributions from throughout the collision**
- No strong final state interactions
→ **leave reaction volume undisturbed**
- Probes the **electromagnetic structure of dense/hot hadronic matter**

EXAMPLE FROM ATOMIC PHYSICS

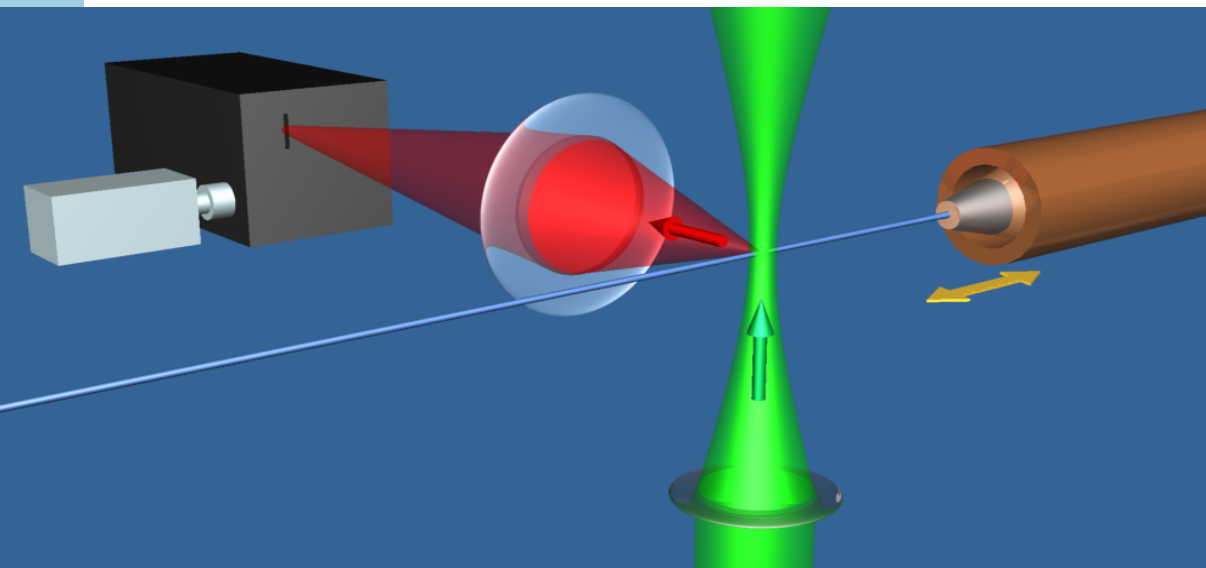
Example from atomic physics

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Exotic states in supercooled hydrogen

Raman spectroscopy of vibrational states in freezing H_2 .

- Liquid cools due to expansion into vacuum.
- Storage ring internal target technology.



Example from atomic physics

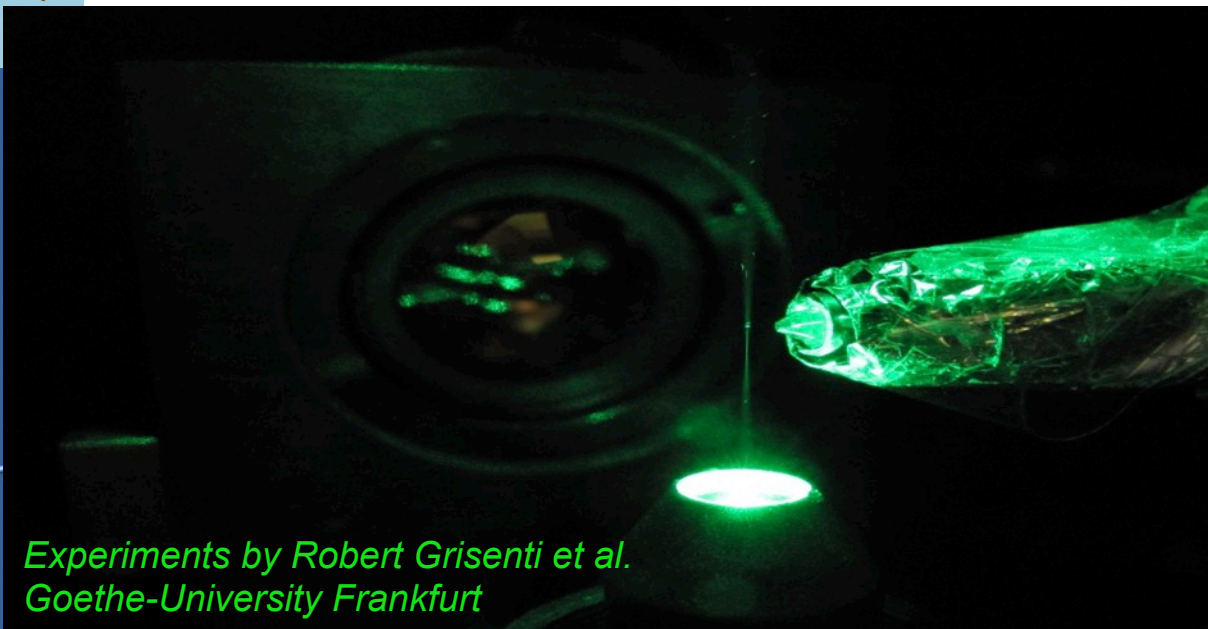
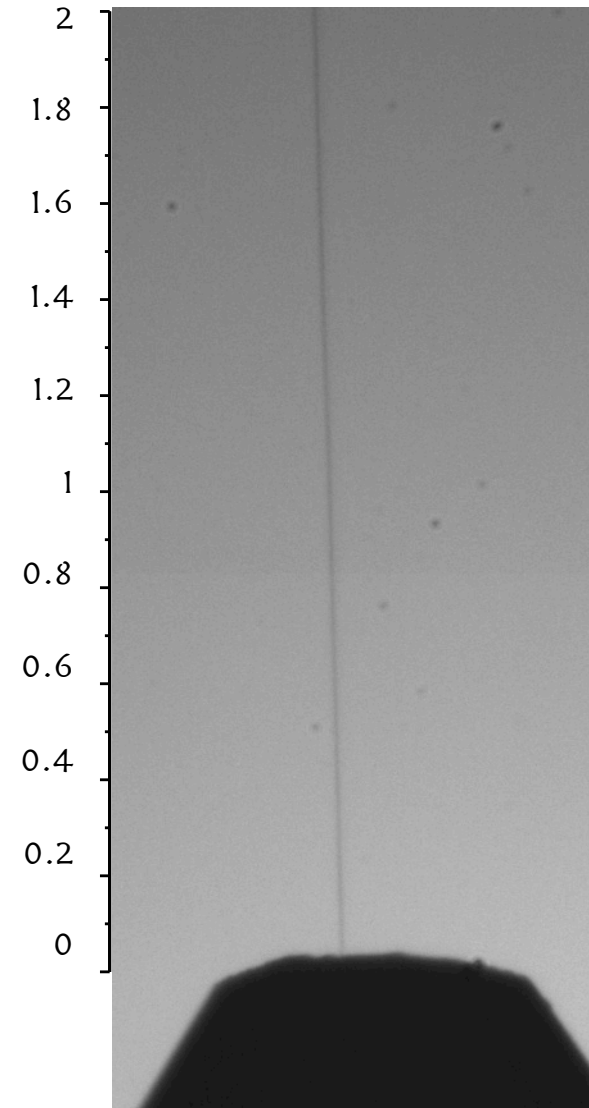
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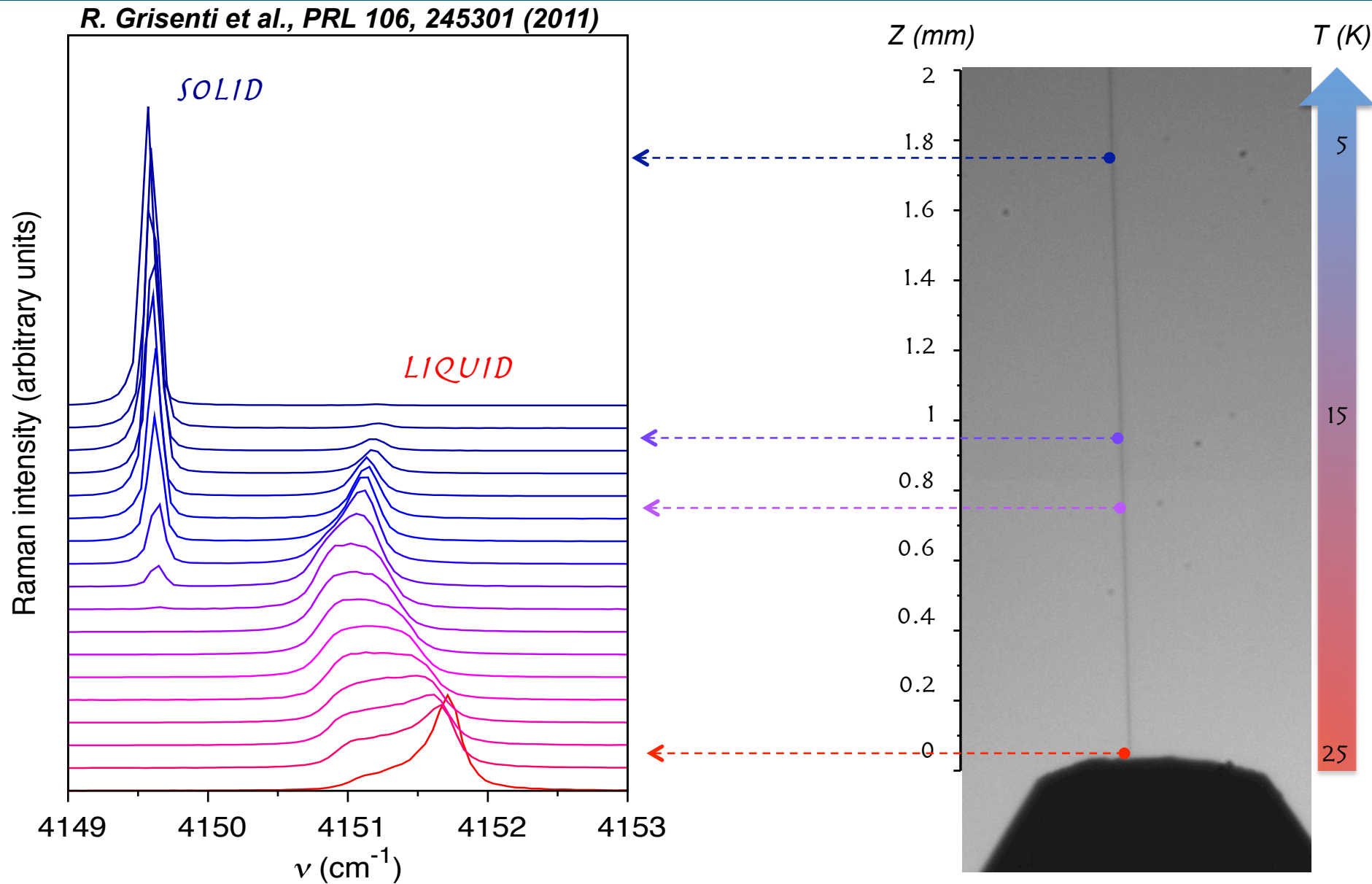
Z (mm)



Experiments by Robert Grisenti et al.
Goethe-University Frankfurt

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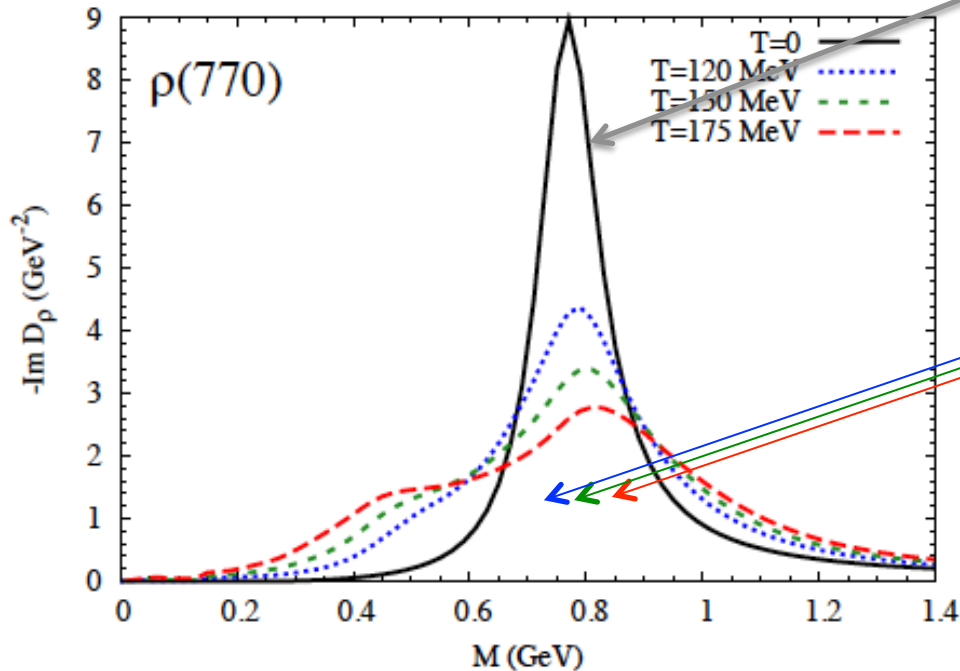
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GOING BACK TO SUB-ATOMIC PHYSICS

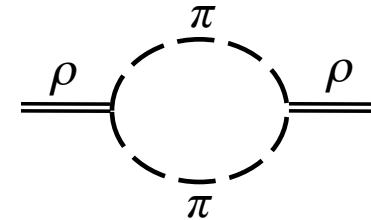
The ρ meson in nuclear matter

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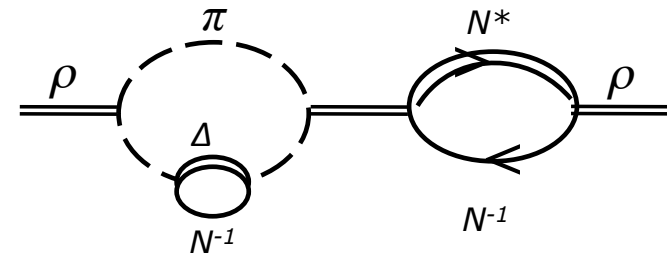
The ρ spectral function **strongly broadens** in the medium because **it couples to baryons!**

Vacuum



Medium

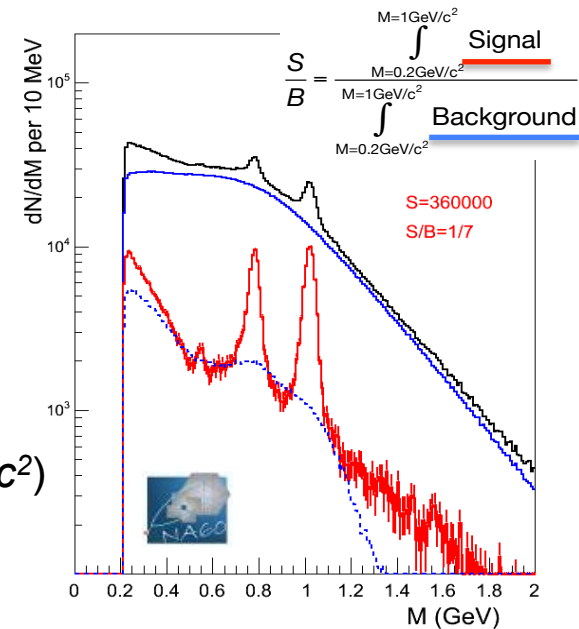
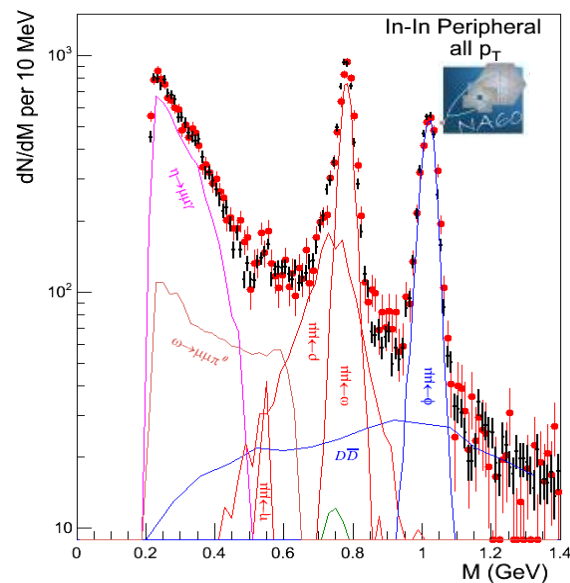
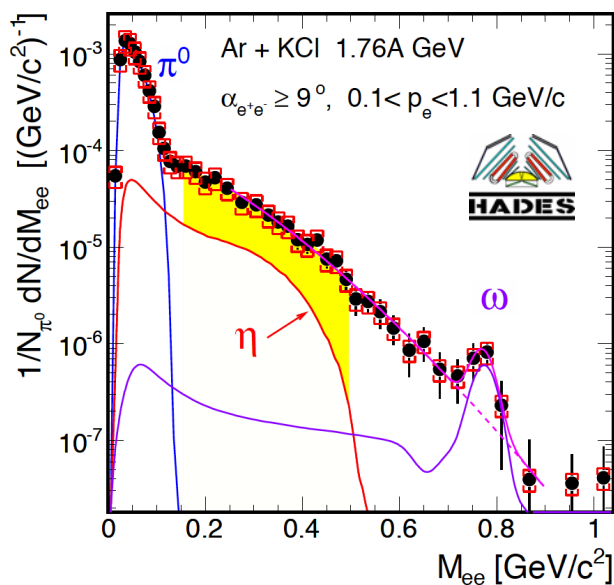
$$D_\rho(M, q; \mu_B, T) = \frac{1}{\left[M^2 - m_\rho^2 - \underbrace{\left(-\Sigma_{\rho\pi\pi} - \Sigma_{\rho B} - \Sigma_{\rho M} \right)} \right]}$$



Additional contributions to the ρ -meson self-energy in the medium

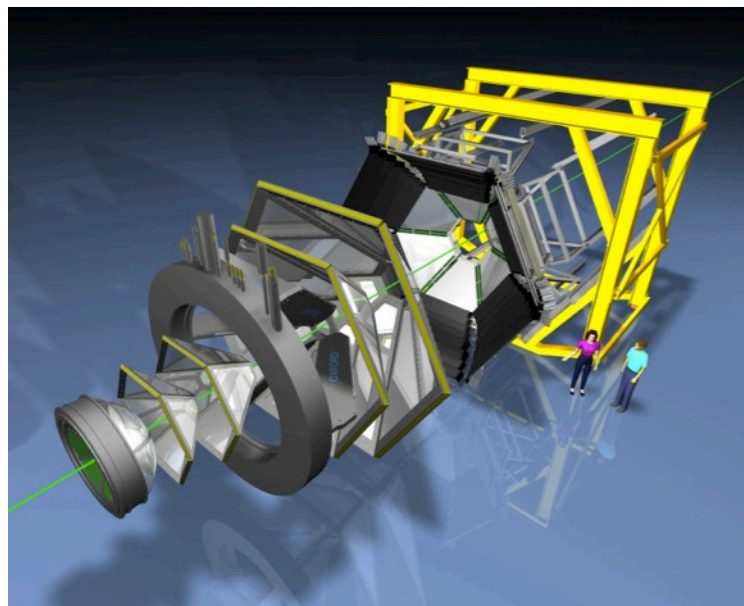
The experimental challenge...

- Lepton pairs are rare probes (branching ratio $O(10^{-4})$)
- At SIS energies vector mesons are produced sub-threshold
- Large combinatorial background from:
 - In e^+e^- :** Dalitz decays (π^0) and conversion pairs
 - In $\mu^+\mu^-$:** weak π , K decays
- Isolate the contribution to the spectrum from the dense stage
(X Factor = excess yield above hadronic cocktail in $0.2 < M_{ll} < 0.6 \text{ GeV}/c^2$)



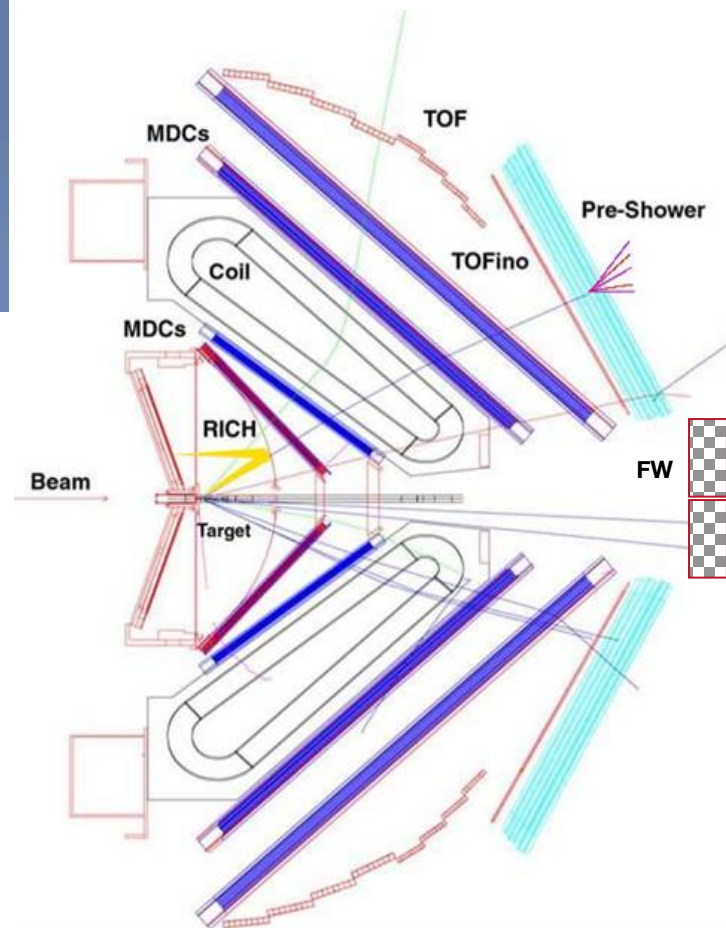
High Acceptance Di-Electron Spectrometer

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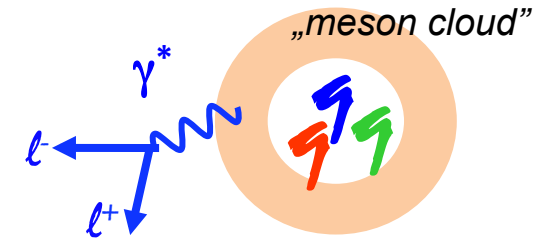


HADES strategy:

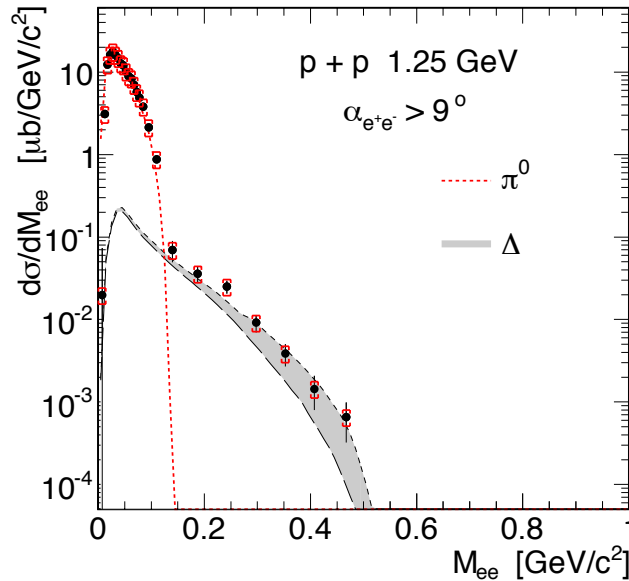
Systematic di-electron and strangeness measurements in NN, AA, ρ A, π N and π A collisions



- Beams provided by SIS18: π , p , nuclei
- Full azimuthal coverage
- Hadron and lepton identification
- e^+e^- pair acceptance 0.35
- **Mass resolution 2 % (ρ/ω region)**
- ~ 80.000 channels
- now: **50 kHz event rate (400 Mbyte/s peak data rate)**



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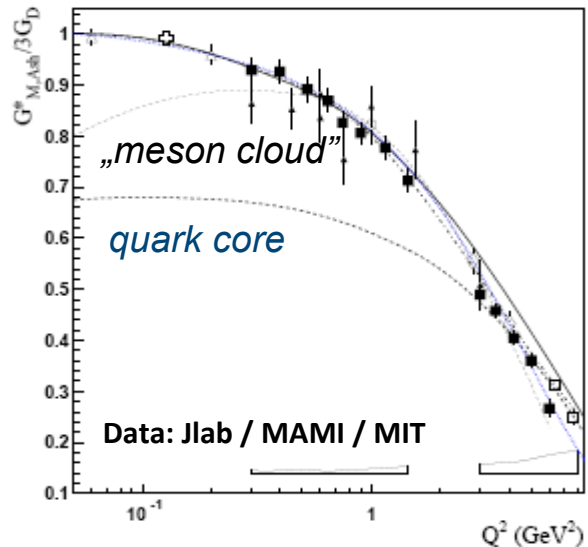


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time-like region $q^2 > 0$

Goal

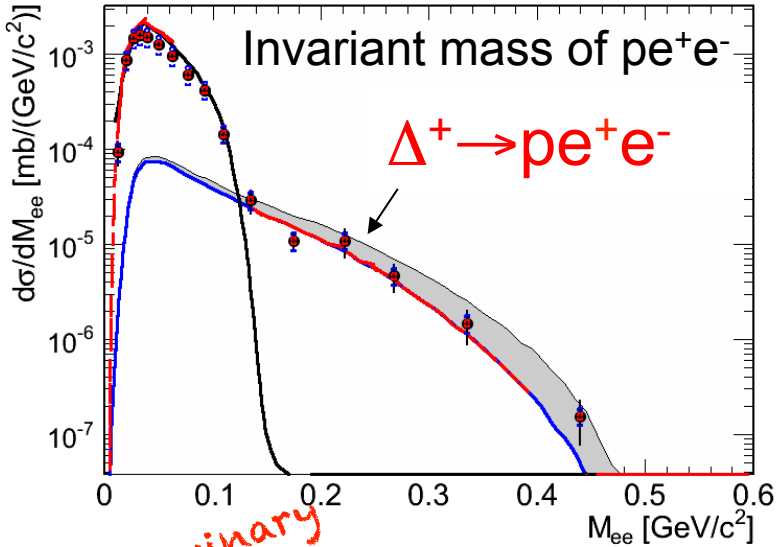
- Understand Δ ($J=3/2$) \rightarrow N ($J=1/2$) γ^* transition
 - **Known from $\gamma N \rightarrow \Delta \rightarrow \pi N$**
(exact QED calculation, Krivoruchenko et al. PRD 65 (2001) 017502)
 - **Unknown at $q^2 > 0!$**
 \rightarrow use models fitted to the space like data
G. Ramalho and T. Pena arxiv: 1205.2575v1 (2012)
Wan and Iachello, int. J. Mod. Phys. A20 (2005) 1846



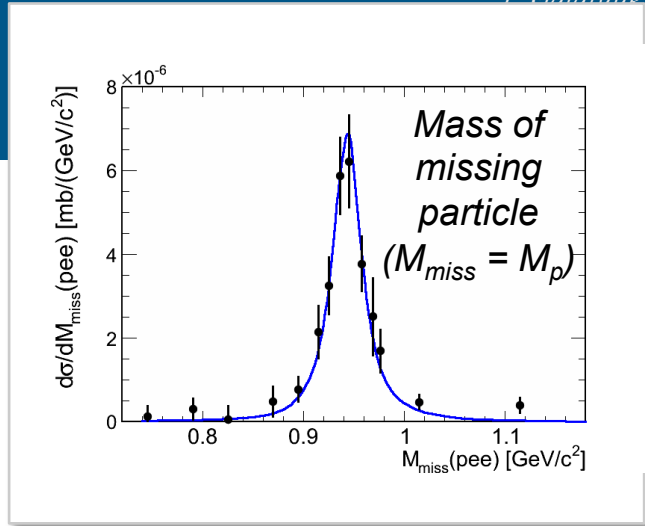
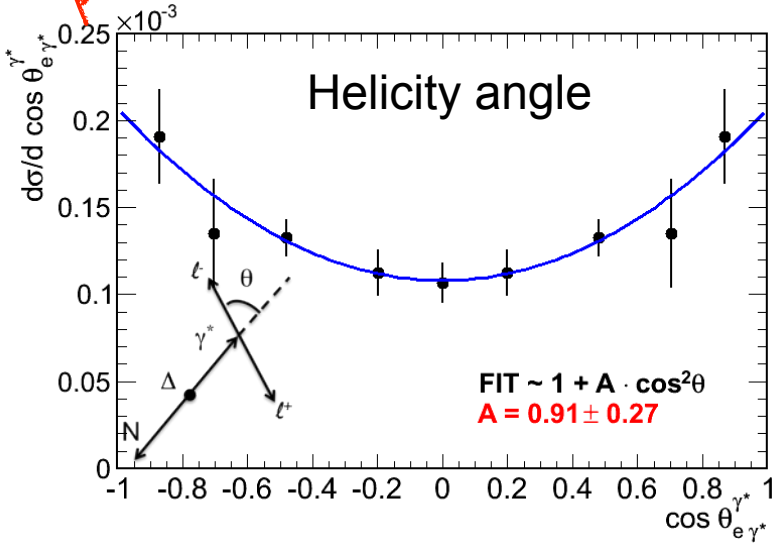
space-like region $q^2 < 0$

- Excitation of a baryon can be carried by the meson cloud
 - Precise data from Jlab / MAMI / MIT
 - **Strong hint for dominant contribution to the $G_M(Q^2)$ from the meson cloud (30% at $G_M(0)$)**
I.G. Aznauryan, V.D. Burkert Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 67, 1 (2012)

NN Reference: exclusive analysis $pp \rightarrow ppe^+e^-$

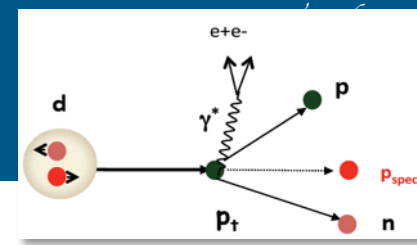


preliminary

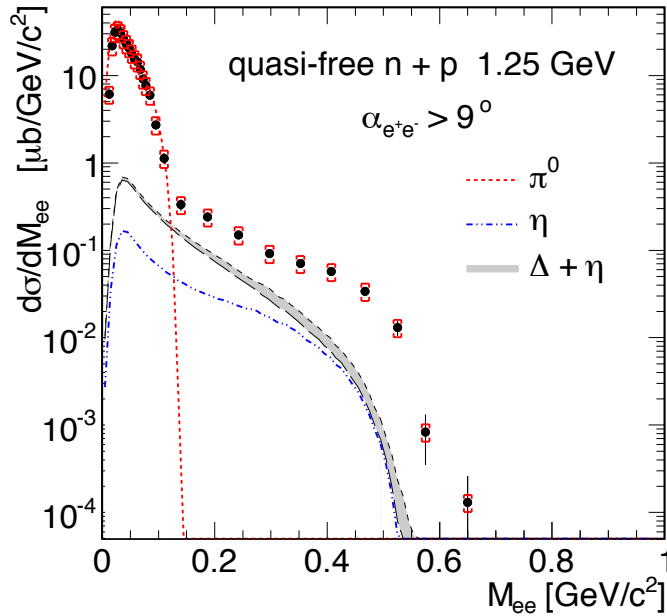


- First direct access to the Δ transition form factor in the time-like region
 - Data agree with QED calculations!
 - Branching ratio ($\Delta^+ \rightarrow pe^+e^-$) = 4.2×10^{-5}

NN Reference: e^+e^- in QF $n+p$ collisions $\sqrt{s} - 2m_N \approx m_\eta$



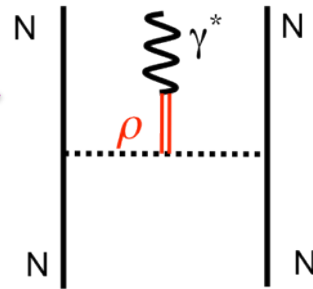
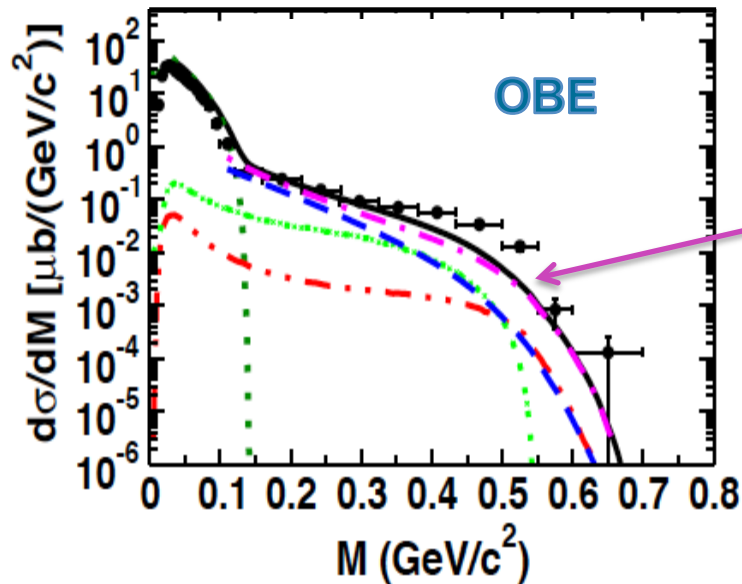
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- Large isospin dependence in dilepton production!
 - Role of the momentum distribution of the neutron inside the deuteron?
 - NN bremsstrahlung?

→ Check with One Boson Exchange effective Lagrangian based approach

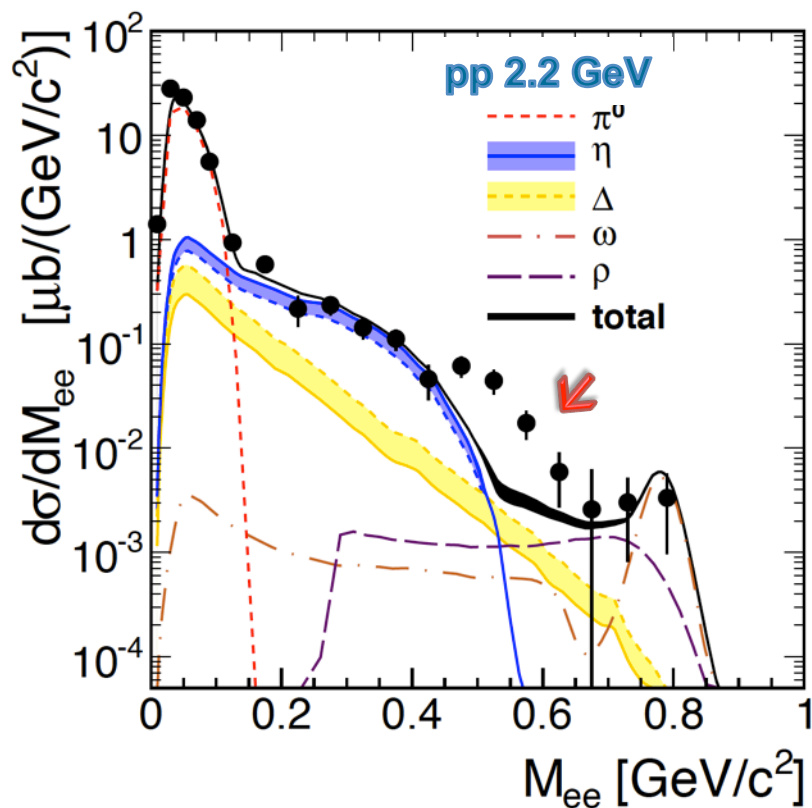


Much better agreement with data when including π EM form factor
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Sensitivity to hadronic electromagnetic structure

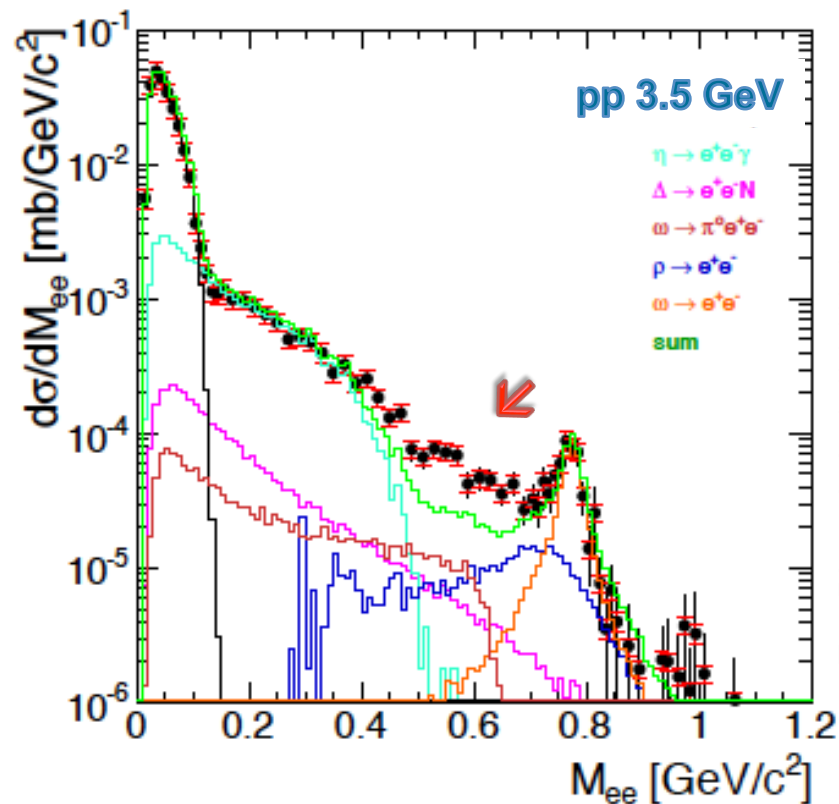
NN Reference: e^+e^- in $p+p$ collisions at 2.2 GeV and 3.5 GeV

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Phys.Rev. C85 (2012) 054005

- Effect of electromagnetic form factors
 - Treatment of Dalitz decays of broad resonances is not well understood

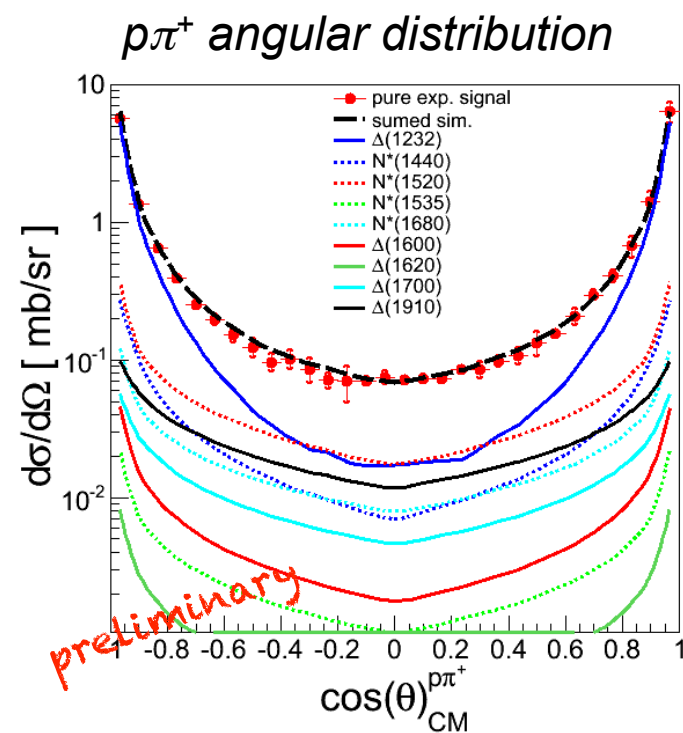
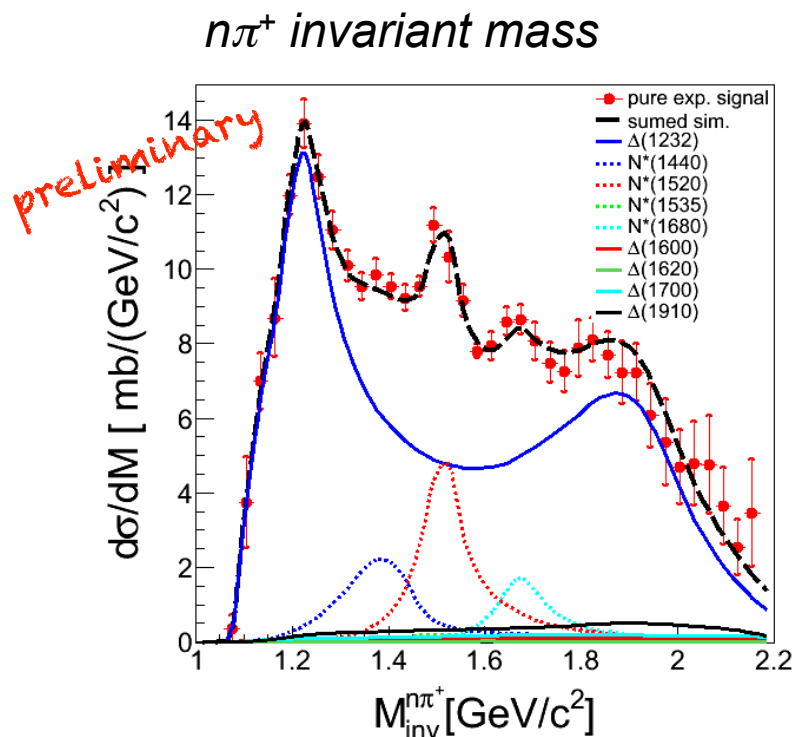


Eur.Phys.J. A48 (2012) 64

- Coupling of ρ to baryonic resonances
 - Cross check from πN mass spectra needed!

Reconstruction of contributing baryonic resonances: exclusive analysis of $pp \rightarrow pn\pi^+$ and $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^0$

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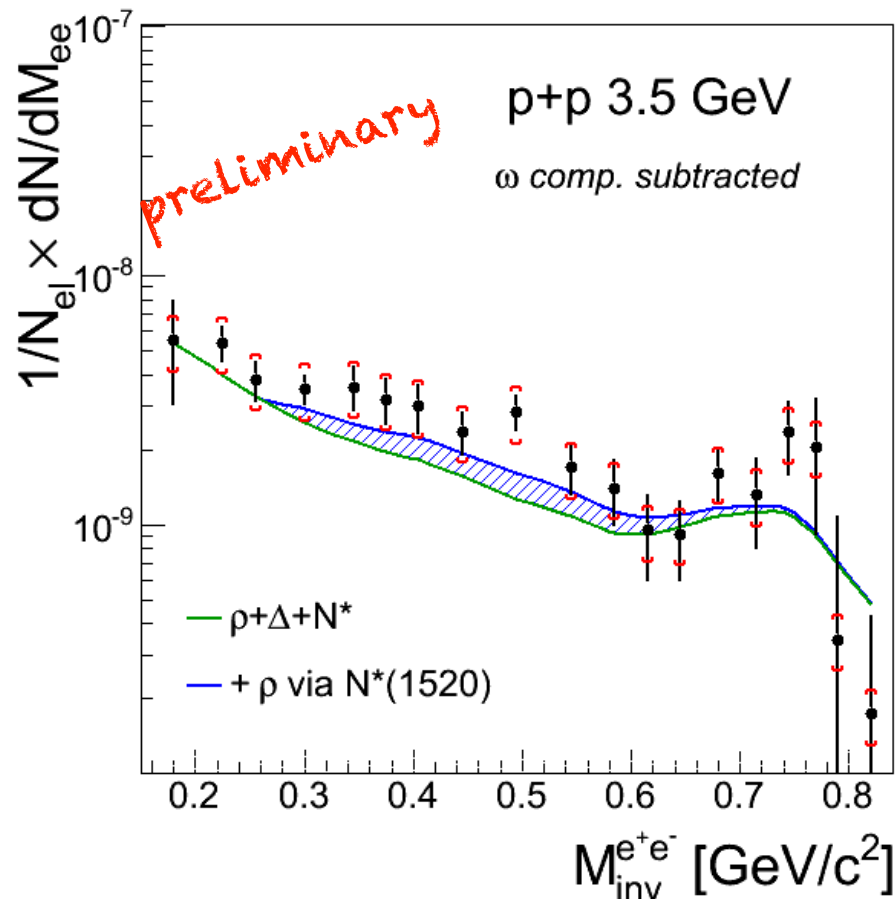
Data: in preparation, A. Dybczak

- 14 baryonic resonances are included in the analysis (N^*1535 constrained by $pp \rightarrow pp\eta$ channel)
K. Teilab Int.J.Mod.Phys.A26:694-696,2011
- Cross section for resonance production via exclusive analysis of $pp \rightarrow pn\pi^+$ and $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^0$


 $pp \rightarrow ppe^+e^-$

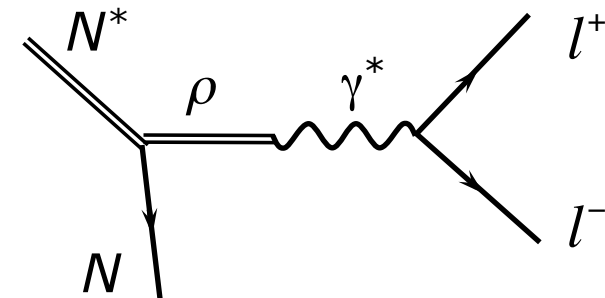
Dileptons: from SIS to SPS...

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Exclusive analysis: $pp \rightarrow ppe^+e^-$ 

HADES data preliminary
 Model: M. Zetenyi and Gy. Wolf
 Phys. Rev. C 67, 044002 (2003).

- Relative contribution is fixed through exclusive pion production
- ω contribution subtracted, η contribution suppressed by kinematics
- Dalitz decays of baryonic resonances - dominant source at low beam energies.

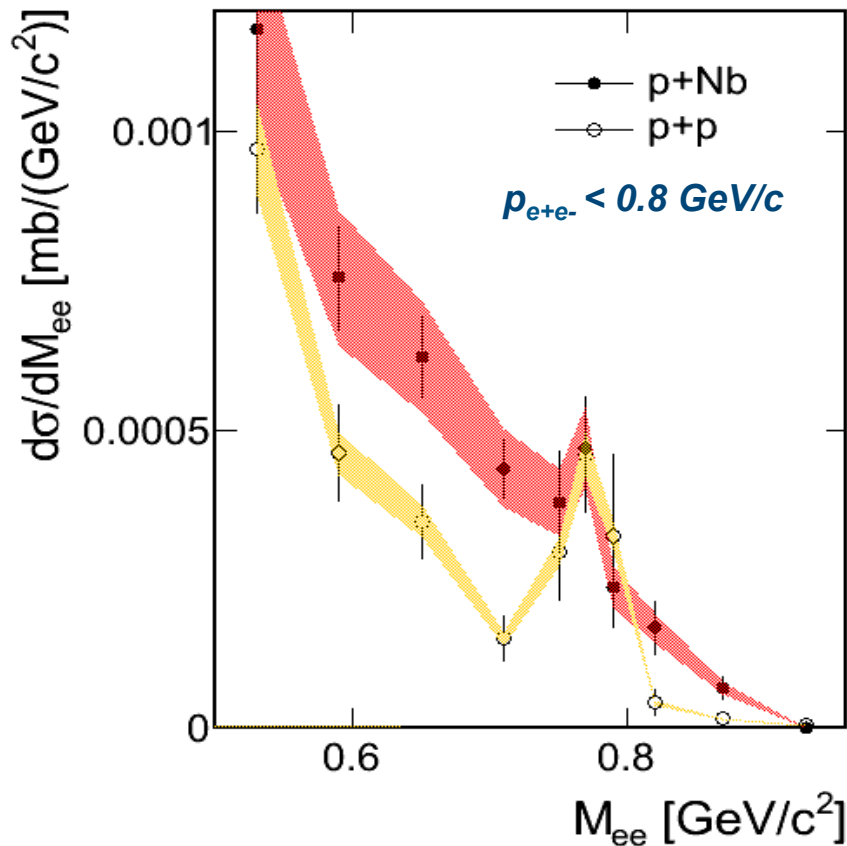


Electron pairs from cold nuclear matter

"if you are out to describe the truth, leave elegance to the tailor" (A. Einstein)

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HADES: Phys.Lett. B715 (2012) 304-309

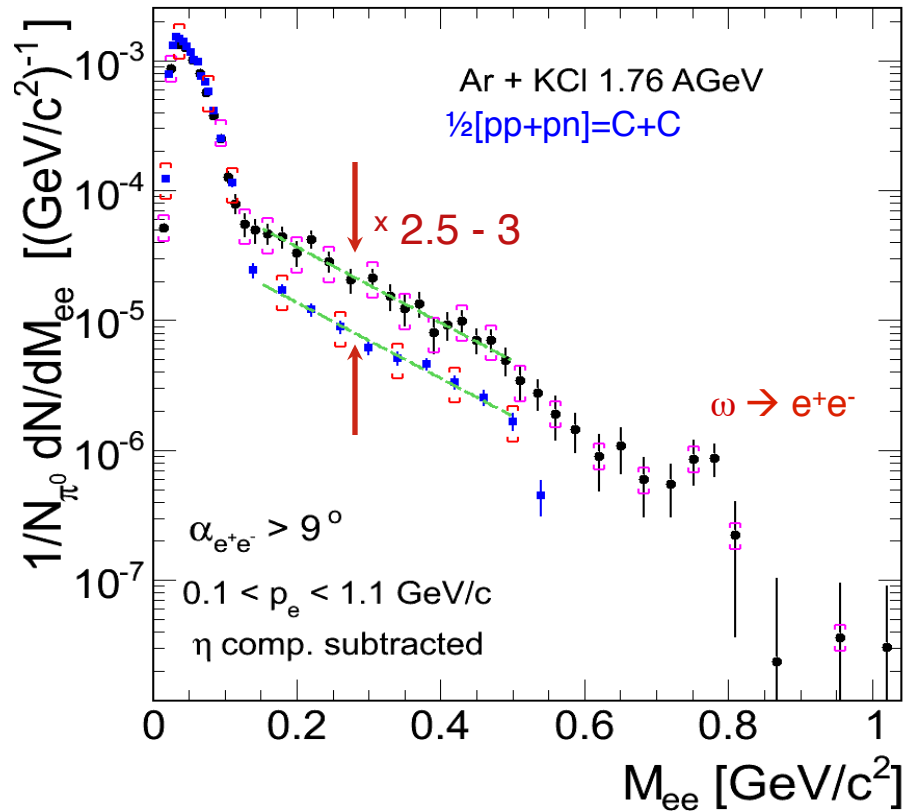


- **First measurement of lepton pairs with $p_{e+e-} < 0.8 \text{ GeV}/c$ radiated from cold matter**
→ not measured by CLAS, KEK-E325
- Mass resolution: $\sigma_{M\omega} = 16 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
- No ω line shape modification is observed
- Clear **excess over p+p**
→ role of the secondary ρ from $N(1520)$, $\Delta(1700)$...?
- **Reduced ω yield** → strong broadening?

Virtual photon emission in A+A collisions

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Ar+KCl compared to reference
after subtraction of contributions from η

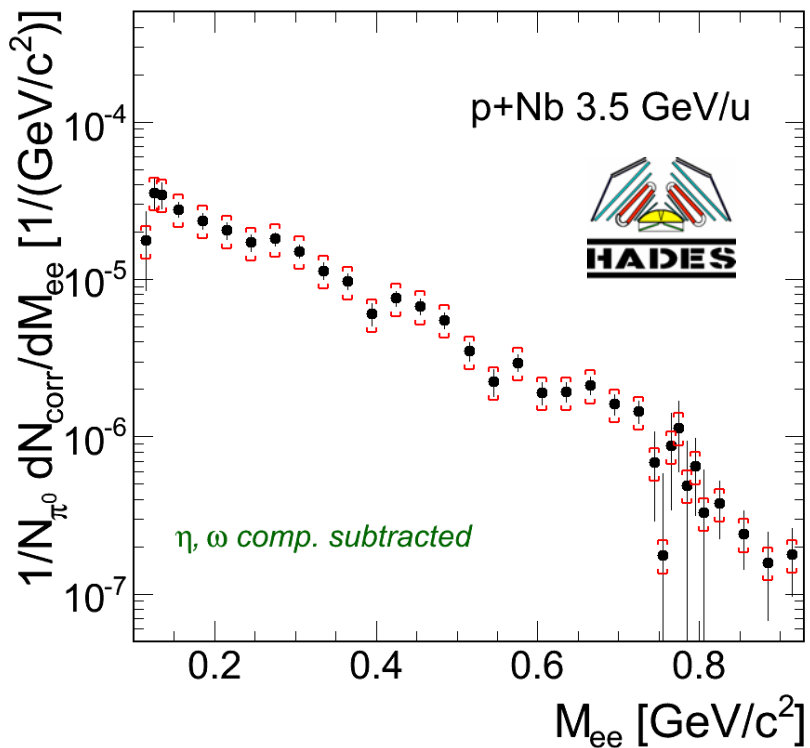


- Isolation of excess by a comparison with a **measured** “reference” spectrum
- **First evidence for radiation from the “medium”!**
- Excess yield scales with system size like $A_{\text{part}}^{1.4}$

Quest for heavier systems!

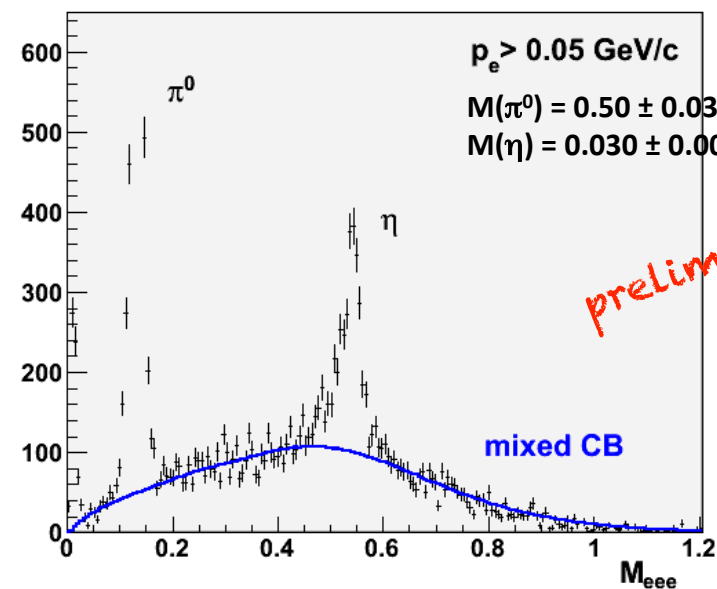
Isolation of excess by a comparison with a **measured** decay cocktail

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Excess e^+e^- yield in p+Nb 3.5 GeVIn medium ρ modification?

→ will be answered only after pp reference is understood!

- Full reconstruction of π^0 and η decays (meson $\rightarrow e^+e^-e^-$)

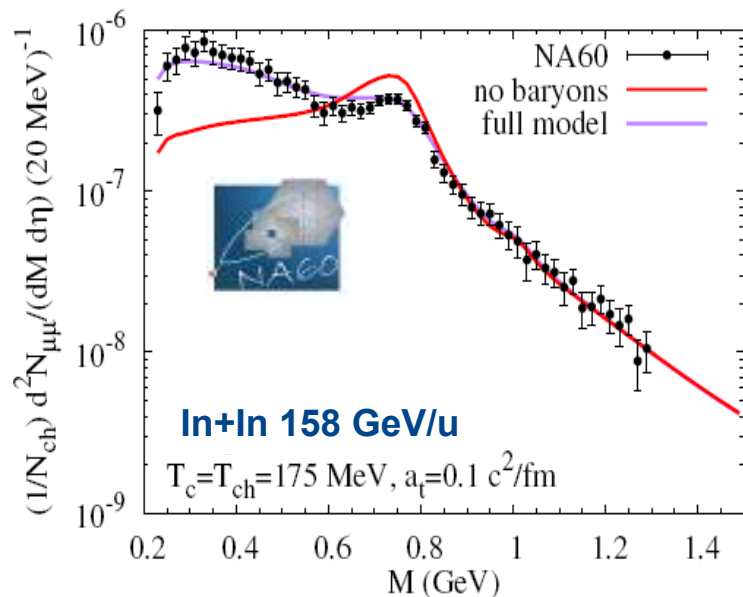


- HADES η cross section provides constraint on Δ and N^* contributions!
- Critical test for theoretical input!

The ρ meson in hot and/or dense fireball: from SIS18 to SPS

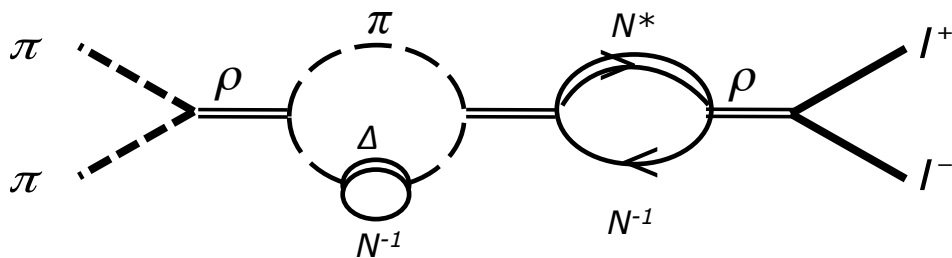
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Acc.-corrected $\mu^+\mu^-$ excess spectrum



Data: EPJC 59 (2009) 607
 R.Rapp: NPA806 (2008) 339

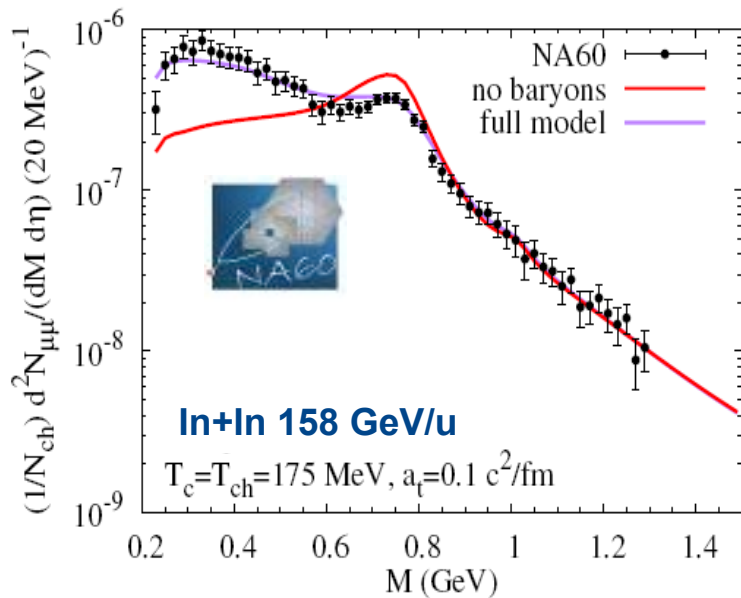
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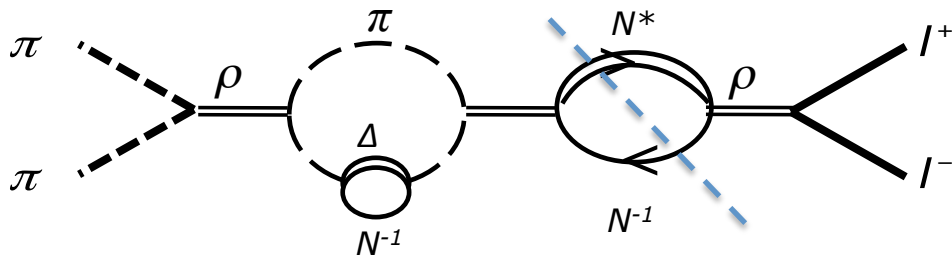
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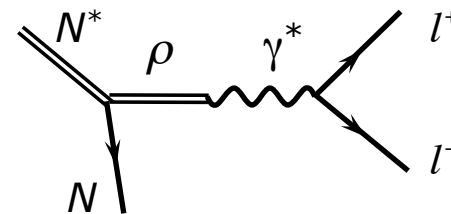
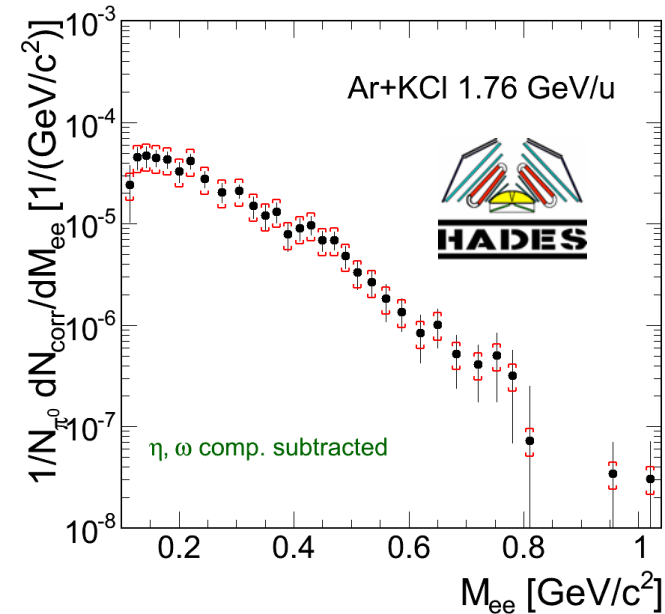


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Excess e^+e^- yield, Ar+KCl 1.76 GeV/u



Dalitz decays of baryonic resonances
– dominant source at SIS18!

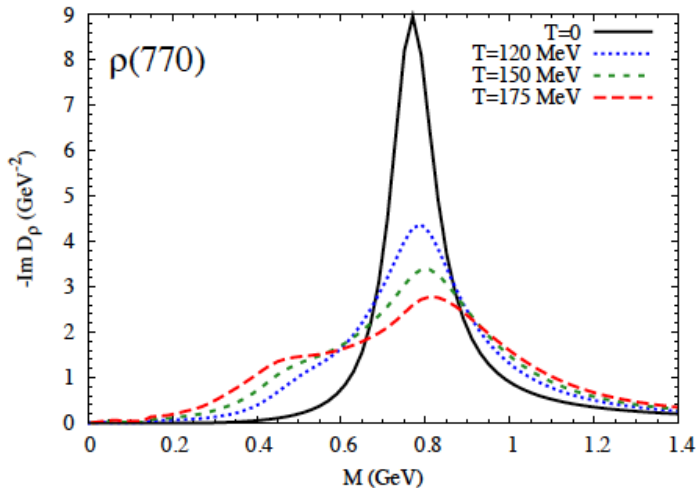
Dileptons, hadronic resonances and phase diagram of matter

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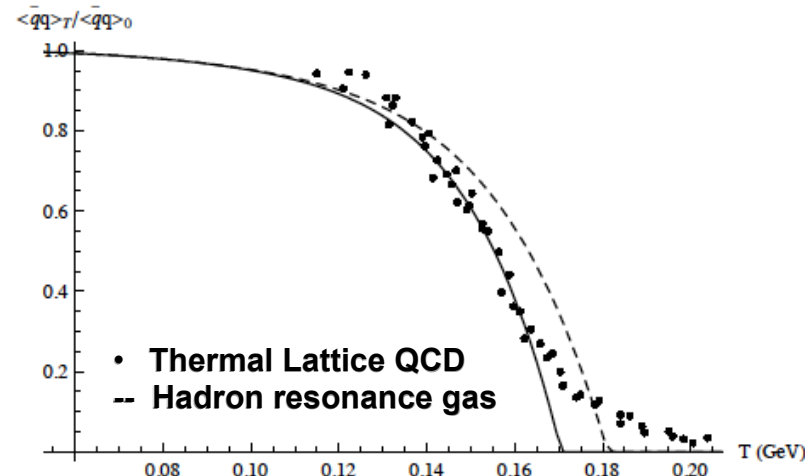
EMMI Physics Days, Darmstadt, 13.-14. November 2012

R. Rapp, Acta Phys. Polon. B 42, 2823, 2011

In-medium ρ spectral function

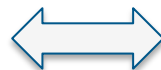


Temperature dependence of the chiral quark condensate



S. Borsanyi et al., JHEP 1009, 073 (2010)

effective hadronic theory

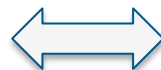
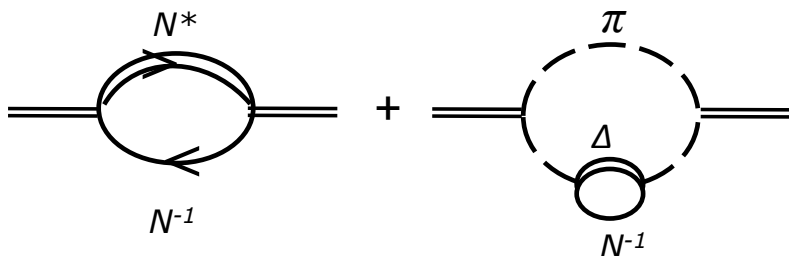


$$1. \Sigma_h = m_q \langle h | q \bar{q} | h \rangle > 0$$

contains

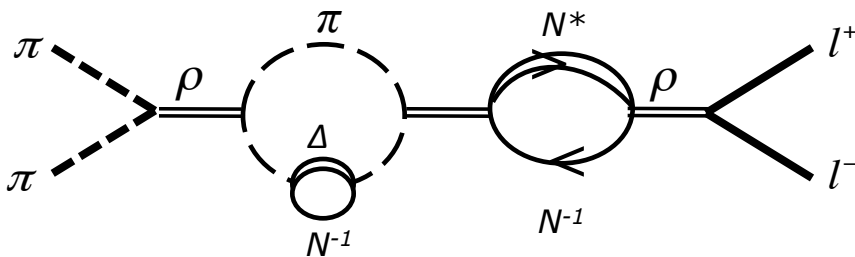
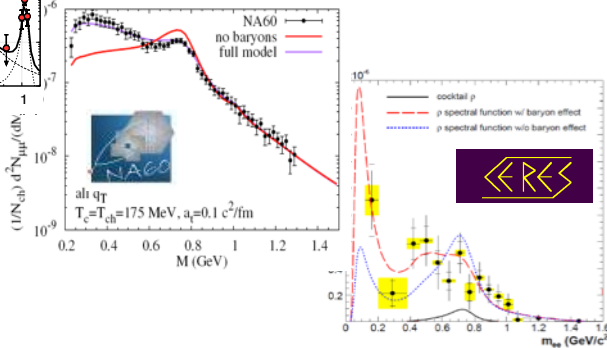
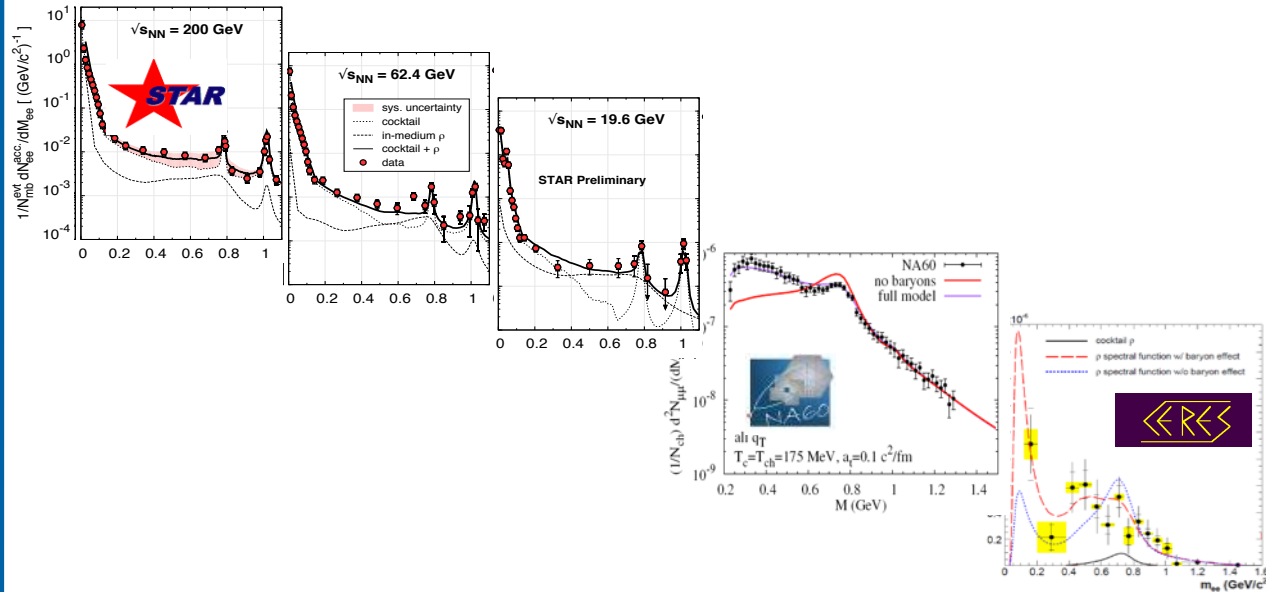
$$\frac{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle(T, \mu_B)}{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle_0} = 1 - \sum_h \frac{\rho_h^s \Sigma_h}{m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2}$$

quark core + "pion cloud"

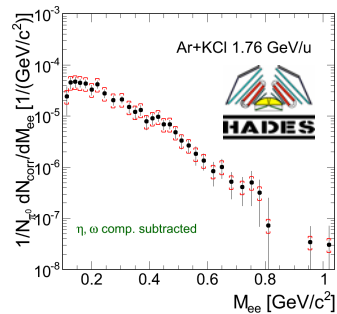


2. Excitation of the vacuum (melting of condensate) matches spectral medium effects

Virtual photon radiation from hot and/or dense QCD matter



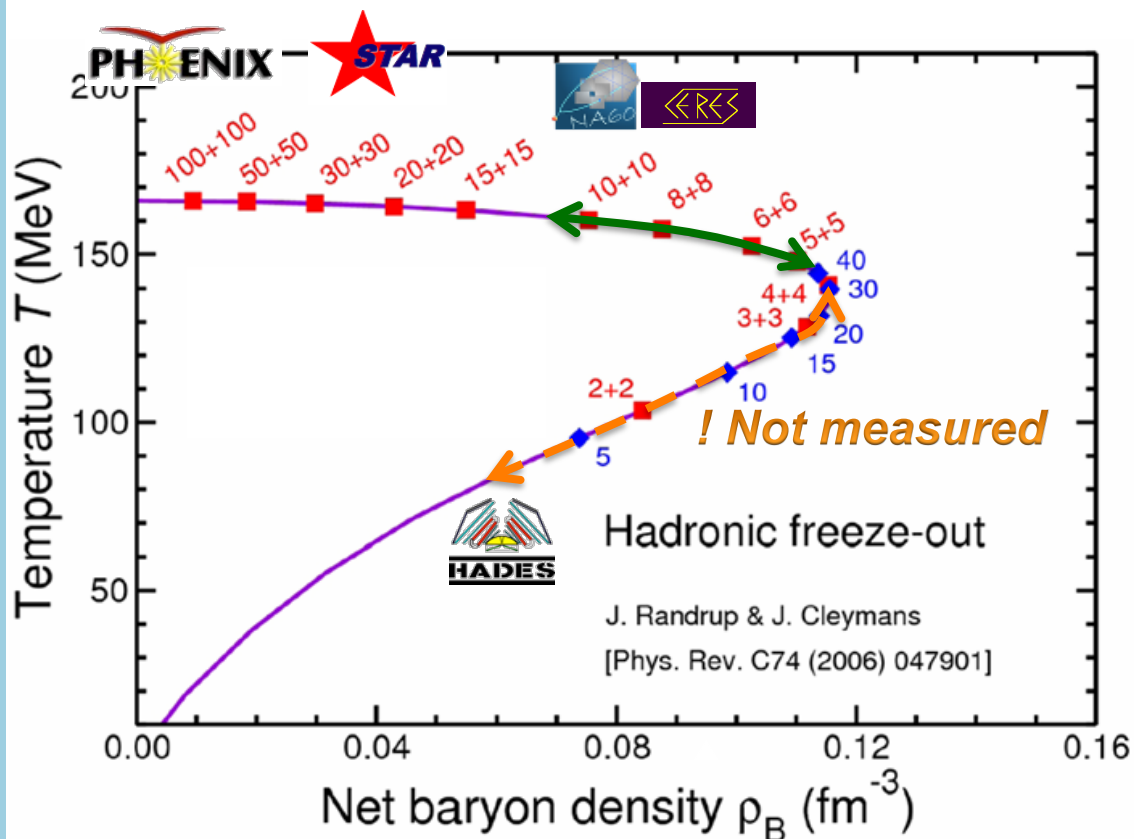
Highly interesting results from RHIC, SPS, SIS18 → importance of baryons!



Model: Ralf Rapp
 STAR: QM2012,
 NA60: EPJC 59 (2009) 607,
 CERES: Phys. Lett. B 666 (2006) 425,
 HADES: Phys.Rev.C84 (2011) 014902

Quest: explore the regime of maximal baryon density

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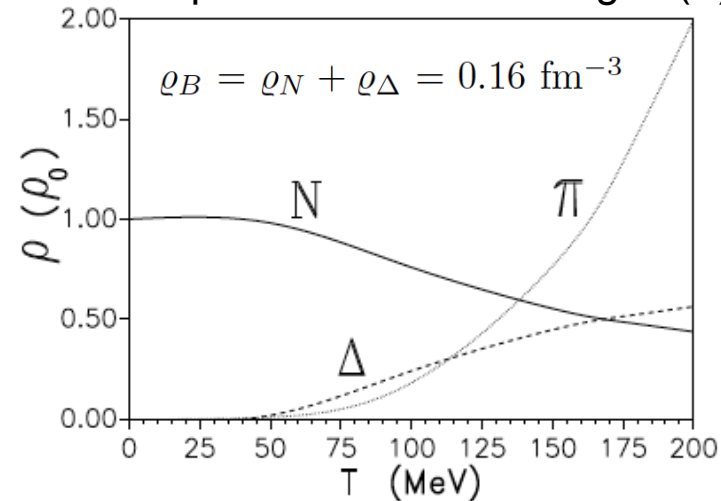


No measurement for beam energies of 2-40 GeV/u

→ HADES/CBM at SIS100

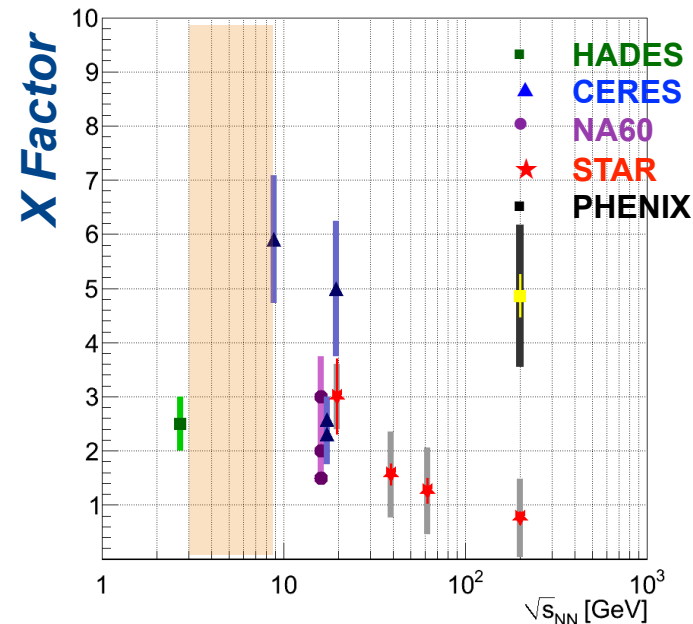
→ CBM at SIS300

Composition of a hot $\pi\Delta N$ gas (T)

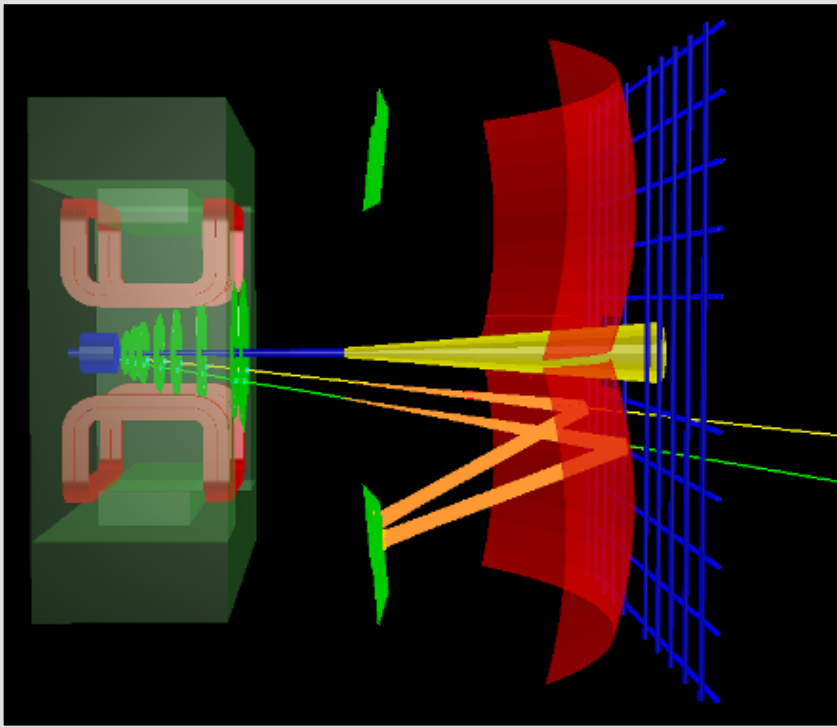
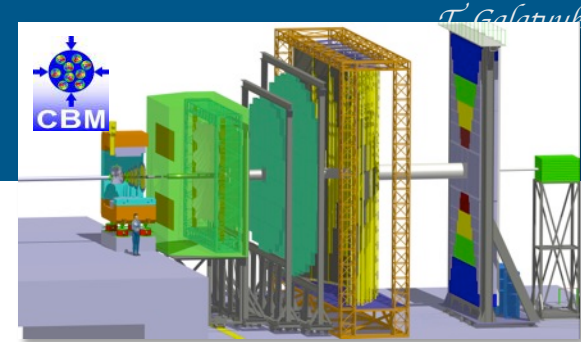


R. Rapp, J. Wambach,
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Published low-mass enhancement factors



Di-electron reconstruction in CBM

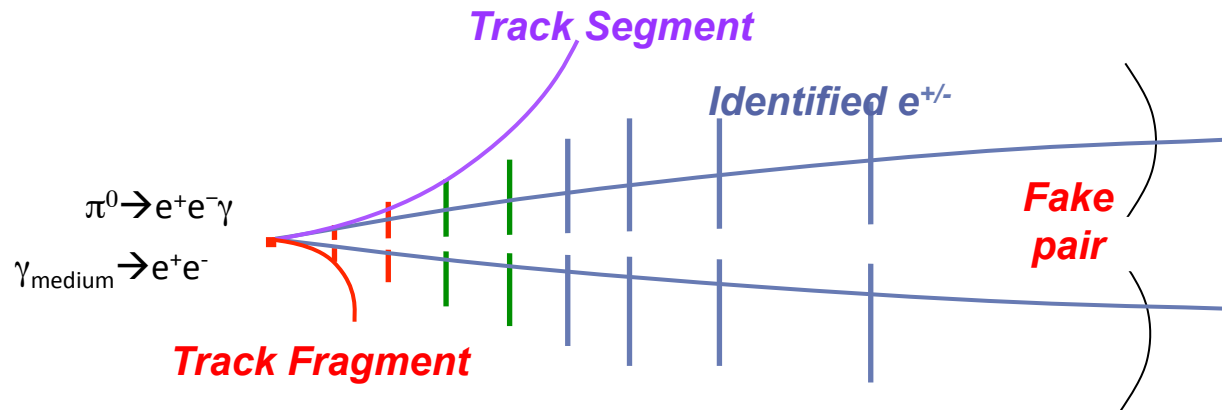


Challenge:

- No electron identification before tracking
- Background due to material budget of the STS
- Sufficient π discrimination (600 $\pi^{+/-}$ /event, misidentification 10^{-4})

Strategy:

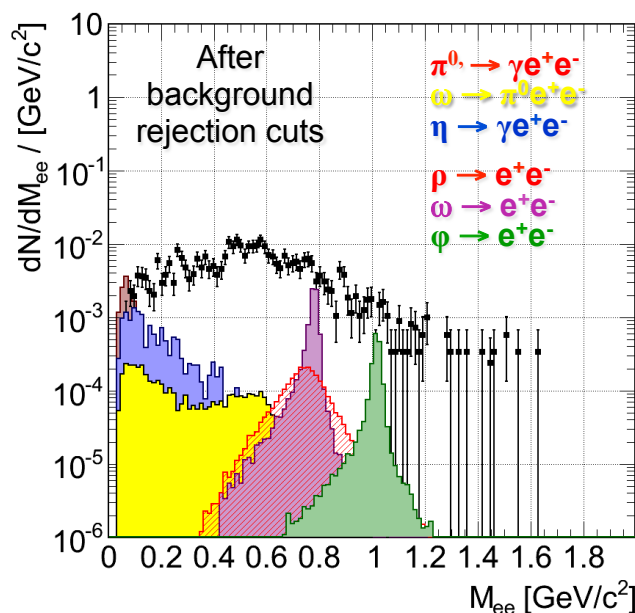
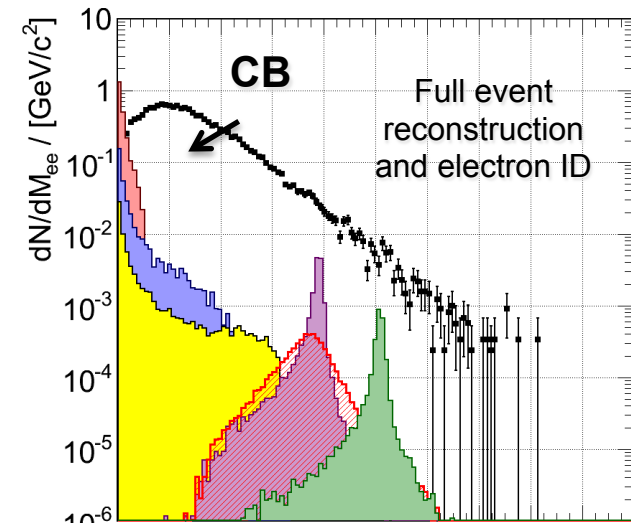
- Reduction of background by reconstructing pairs from γ -conversion ($\sim 3 \gamma$) and π^0 Dalitz decay (8 π^0 /event)
- Excellent double-hit resolution in MAPS ($< 100 \mu\text{m}$) provides substantial close pair rejection capability



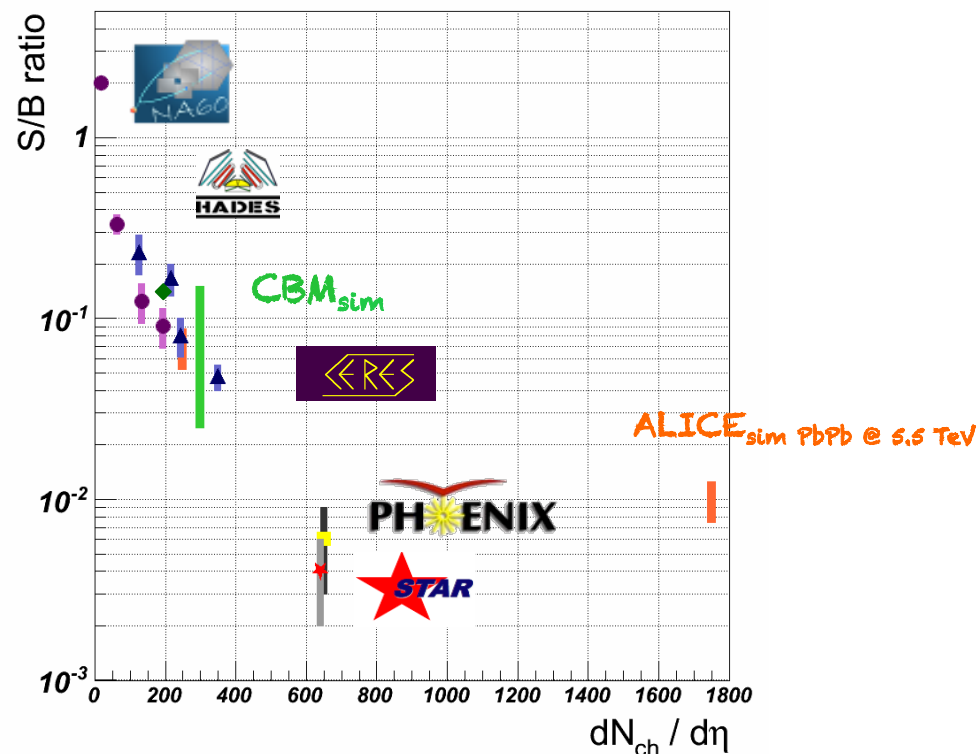
Low mass electron pairs reconstruction

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AutAu 25 GeV/u, $b = 0$ fm!



Expected signal-to-background ratio for CBM (di-electrons) compared to the existing experiments

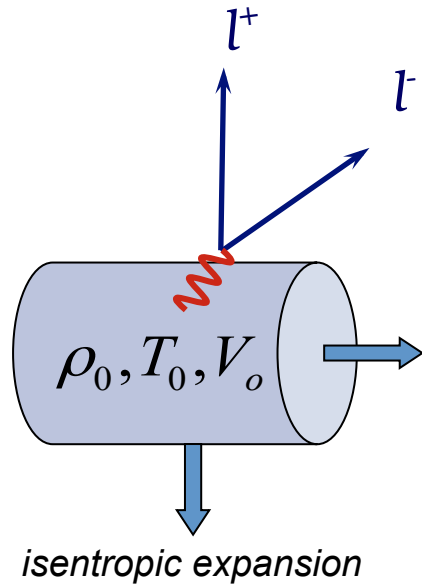


- CBM_{sim} : Au+Au 25 GeV/u, **zero impact parameter**
- Lower edge - free cocktail, upper edge – assuming factor of 6 for medium contribution
- $ALICE_{sim}$: Pb+Pb 5 TeV, R. Rapp in. medium SF

Dilepton emission rates in theory

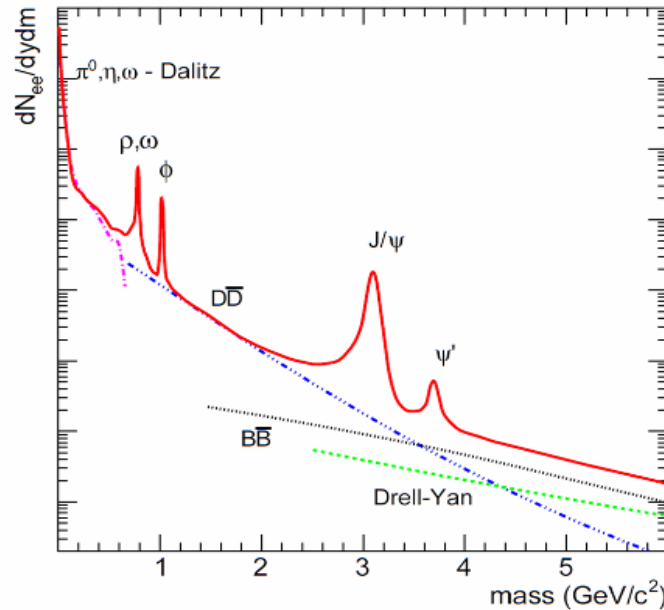
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Thermal emission...

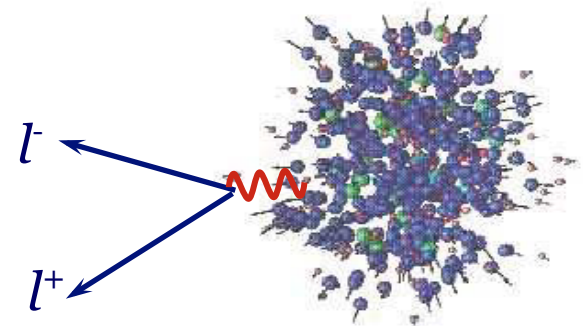


$$\frac{d^3 N}{dM dy dp_t} \equiv \int_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{d^4 \varepsilon}{dp} [T(\mathbf{x}), \mu_B(\mathbf{x}), \bar{v}_{coll}(\mathbf{x}), \dots] d\mathbf{x}$$

R. Rapp, J. Wambach and H. Hees : arXiv:0901.3289



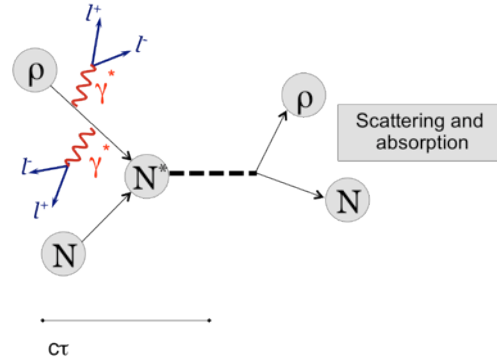
...or from transport



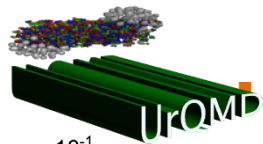
Radiation from dense matter

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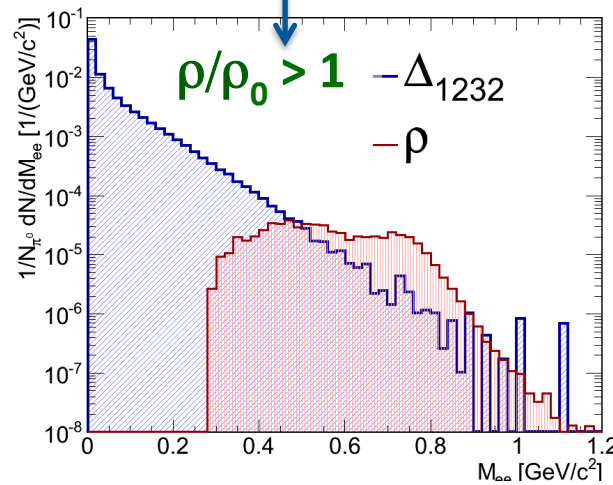
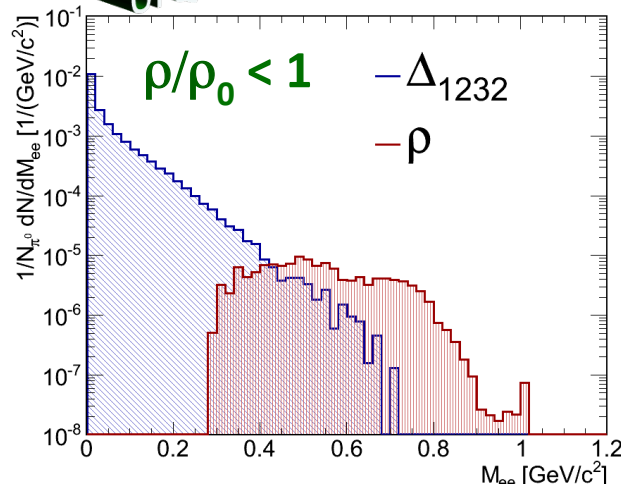
- Schematic illustration of ρ meson propagation within "shining" approach.
- Resonance can continuously emit dileptons over its whole lifetime.



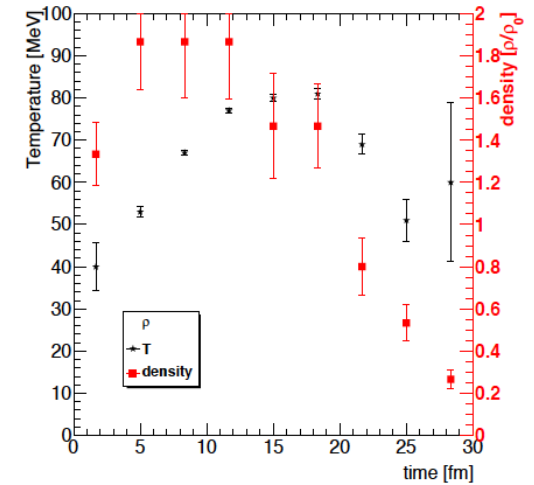
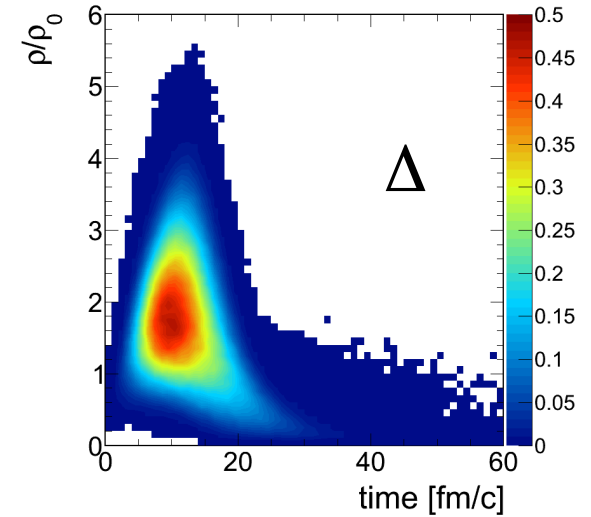
- Isolate the contribution to the spectrum from the dense stage



Couple transport and a **thermal model**



Emission density evolution

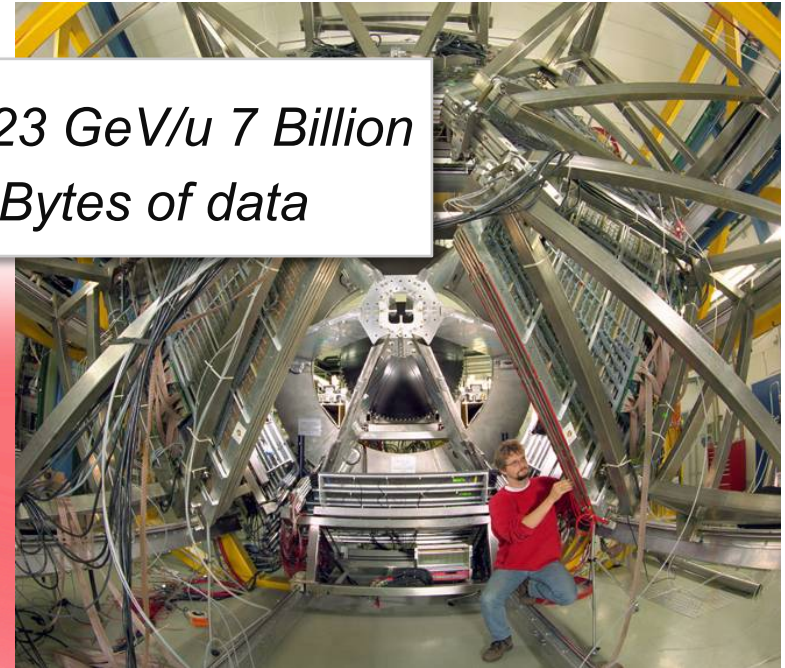
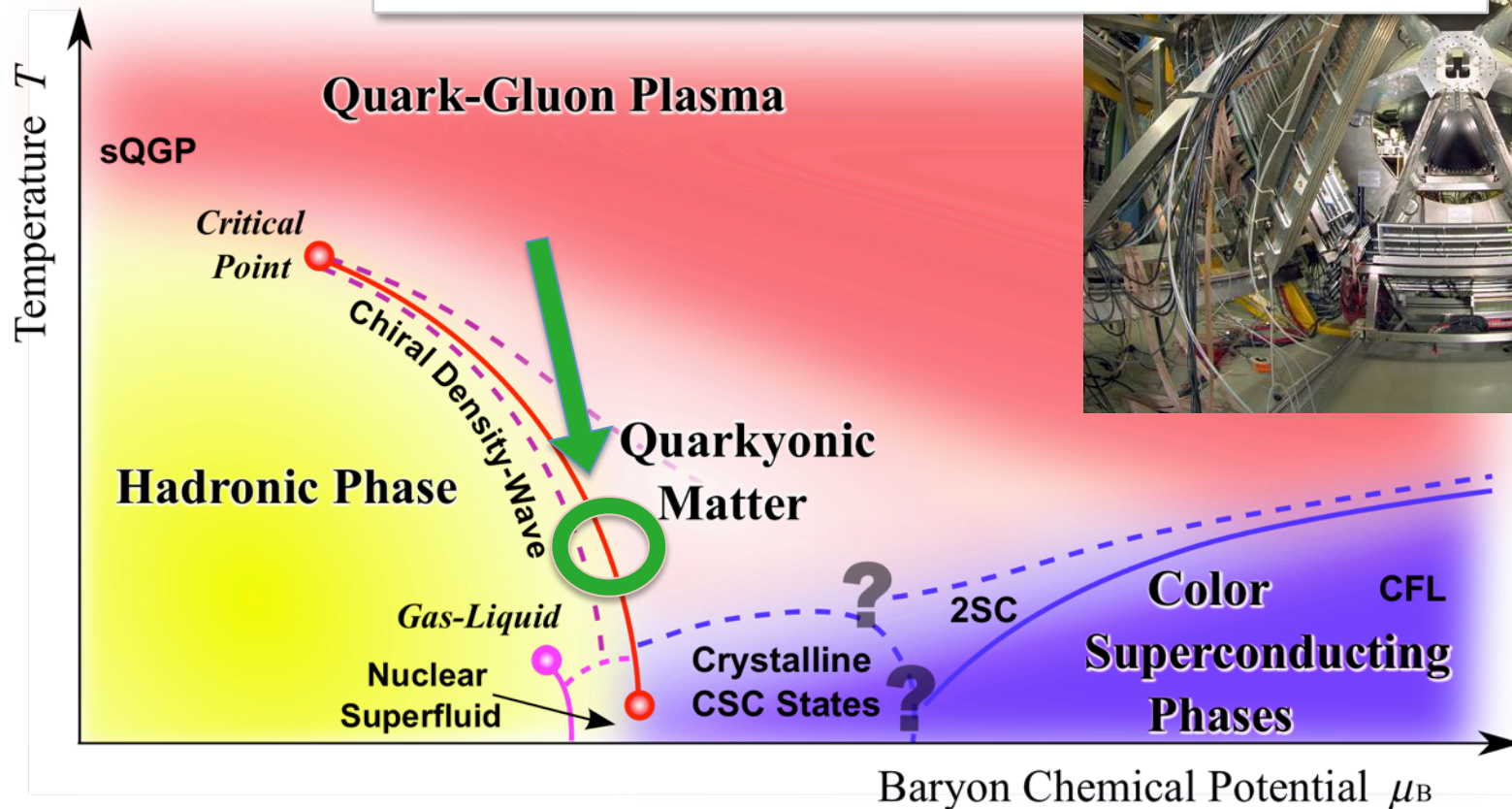


- First (points) and second (errors) moment of the density profile at a given τ .
- T – Boltzmann fit to the particle m_T spectra

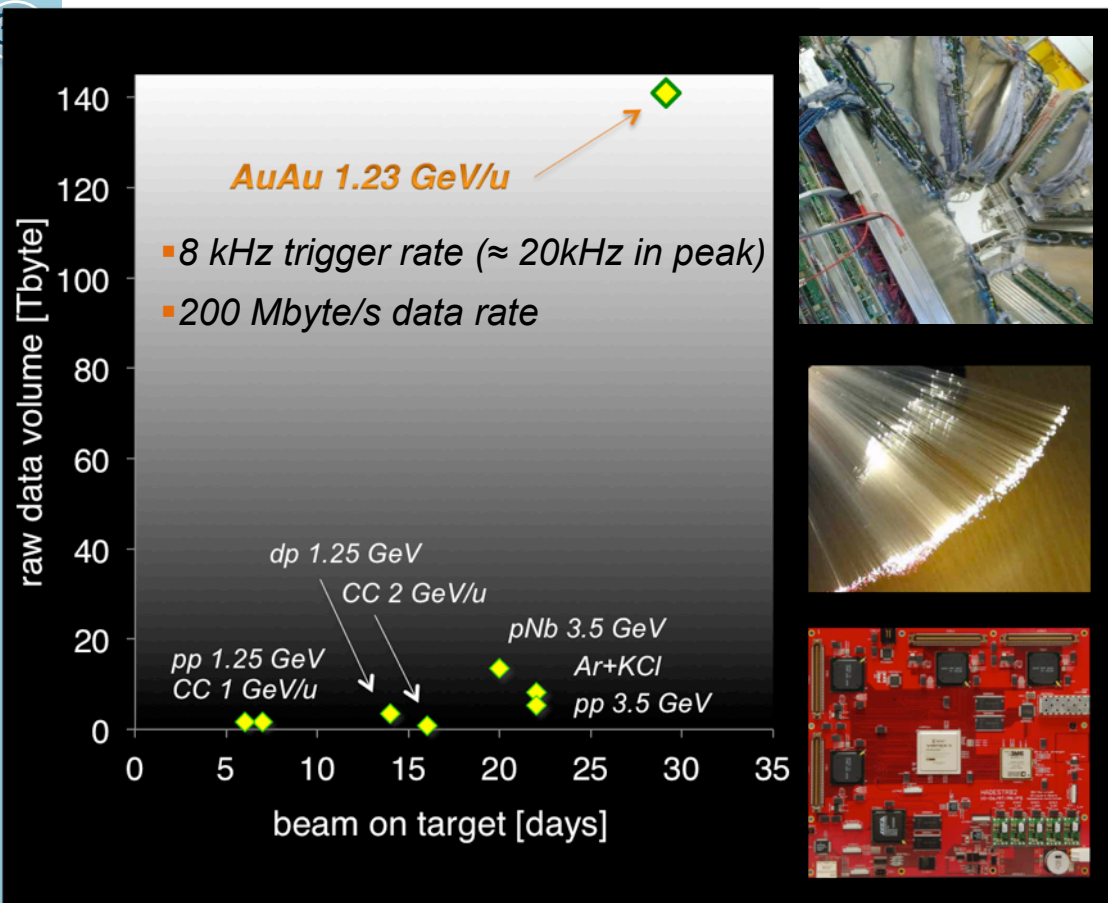
HADES explores Quarkyonic matter

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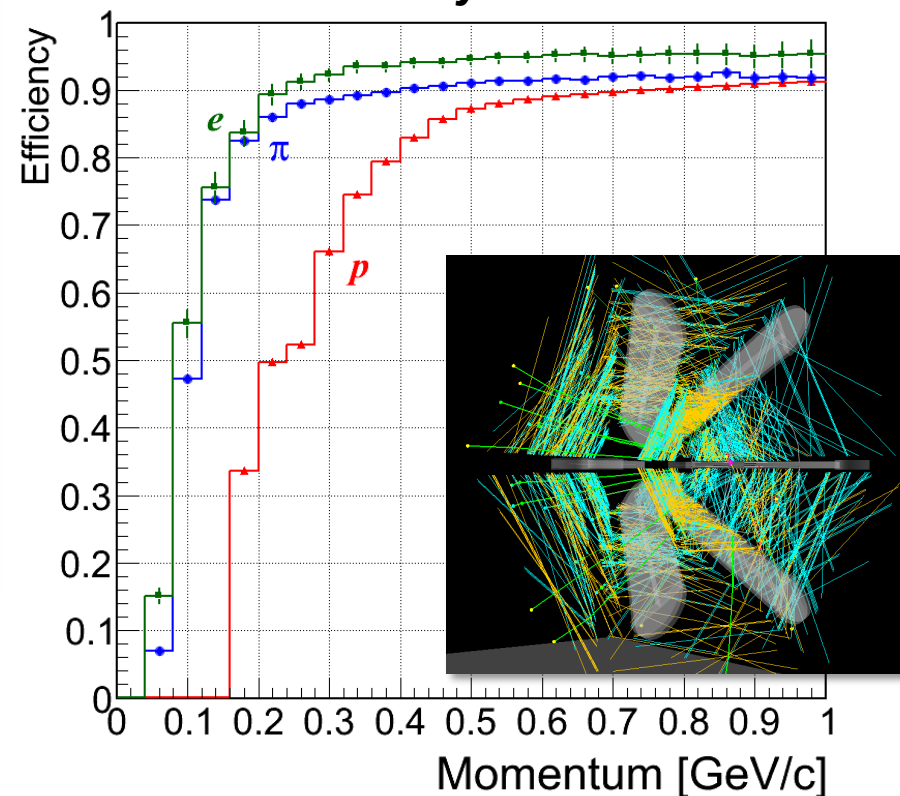
April-May 2012 Au+Au run, 1.23 GeV/u 7 Billion events in 4 weeks, 140 T Bytes of data



Au+Au at 1.23 GeV/u (beam time April – May '2012)



Track reconstruction efficiency in high track density environment



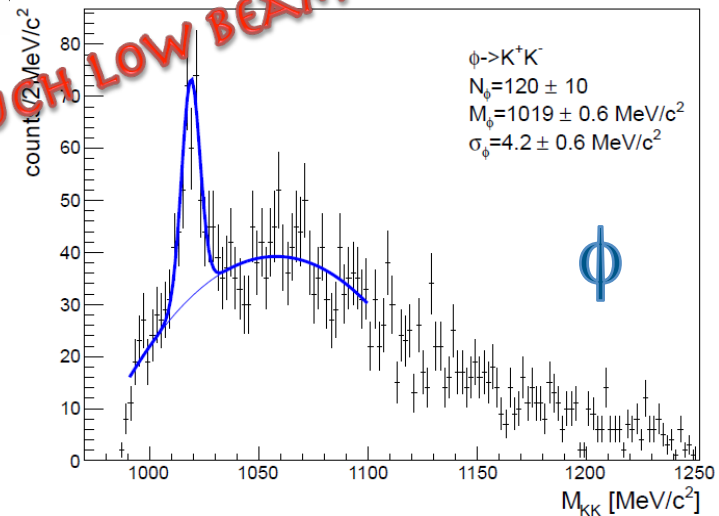
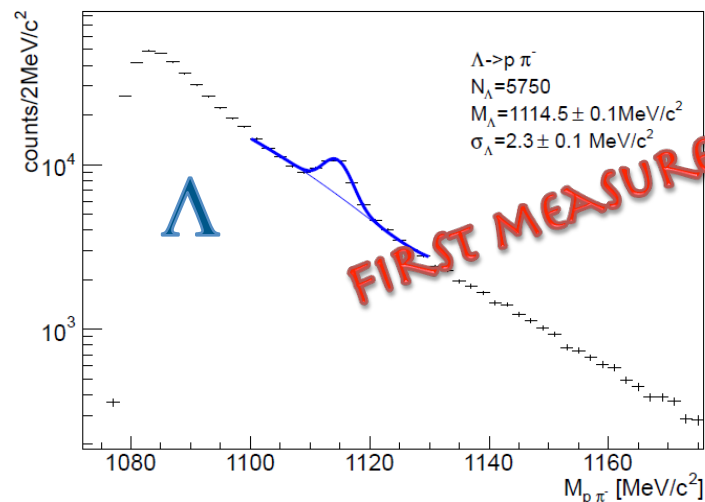
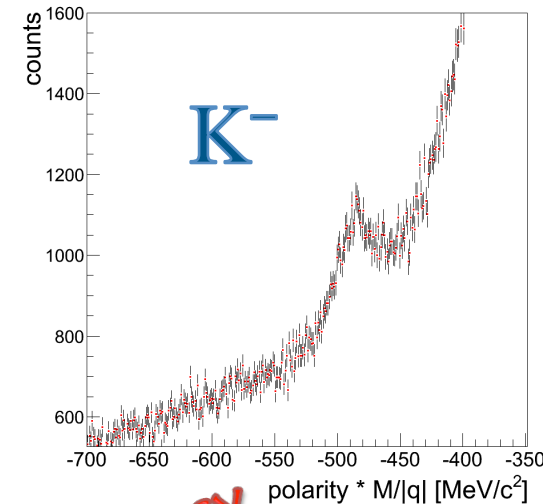
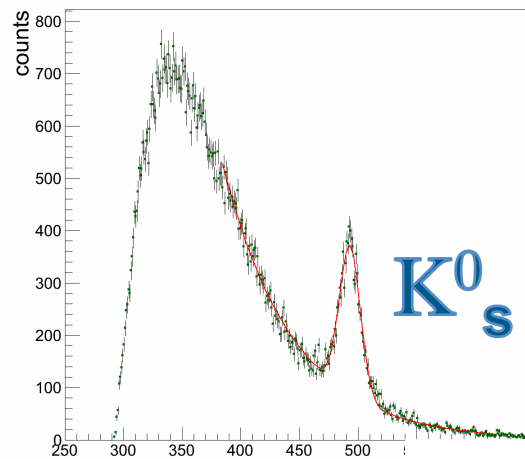
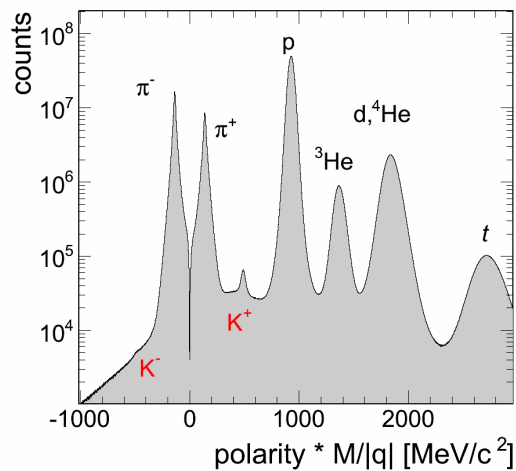
HADES DAQ:

Versatile, FPGA board based system using dedicated add-on boards and data/trigger/slow-control transport via serial optical links (TRBnet)

Strangeness

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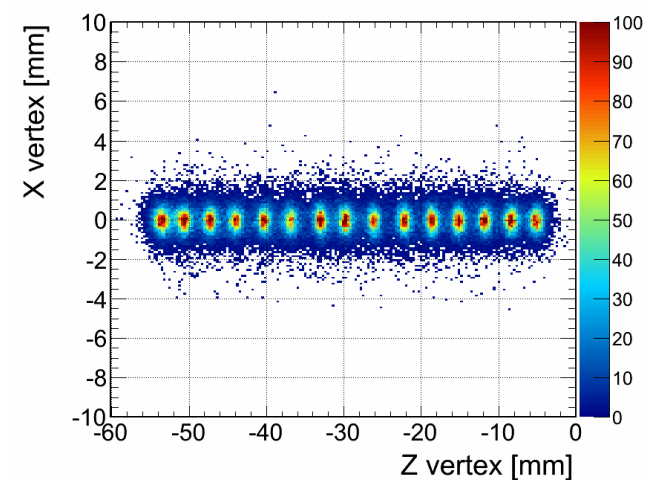
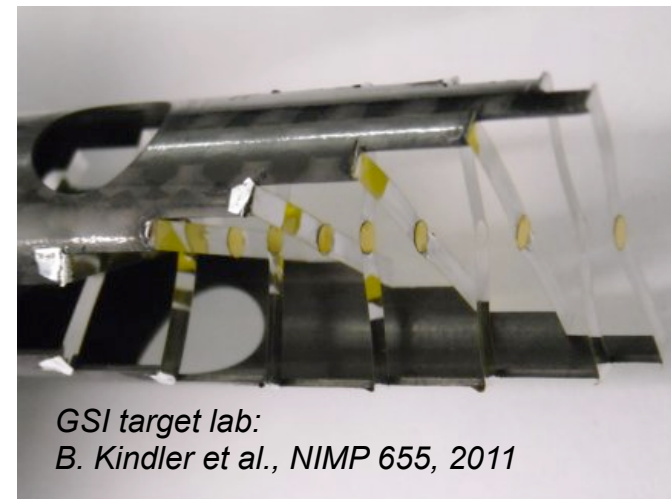
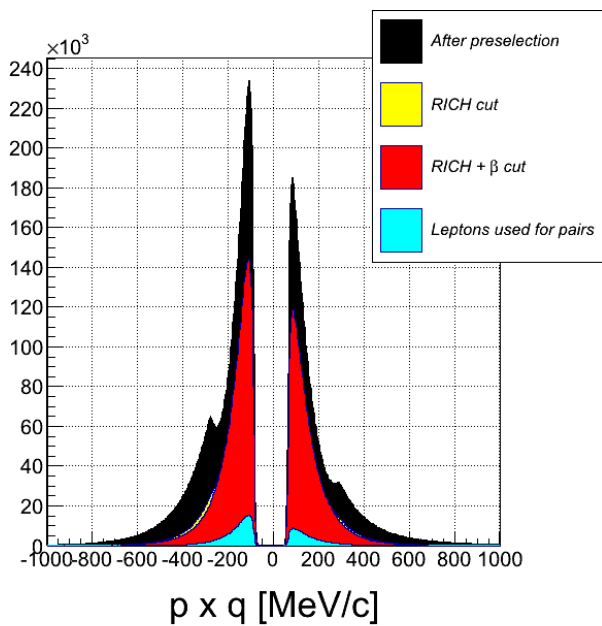
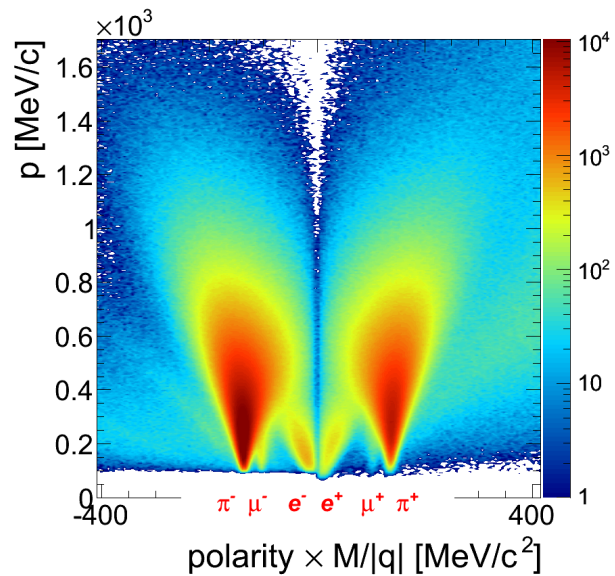
NN excess energy 0.44 GeV only!
Strong constraints on production mechanism



FIRST MEASUREMENT AT SUCH LOW BEAM ENERGY

Leptons

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Encouraging prospects for studying QCD matter in the region of compressed baryonic matter (finite μ_B)

- Explore unknown territory of the nuclear matter phase diagram with HADES and CBM:
 - **Unique possibility of characterizing properties of baryon dominated matter with rare probes:**
 - long-lived states of compressed nuclear matter are produced in heavy-ion collisions at few GeV energy regime
 - this state of matter might be much more exotic than a hadron gas (Quarkyonic matter?)
 - **Establish a complete excitation function of dilepton production up to energies of 40 GeV/u:**
 - baryon dominated to meson dominated fireballs!
 - from "transport" to "thermal expansion" models!
 - from "no QGP" to "QGP"?

The results presented is the work of many ...



... THE HADES AND CBM COLLABORATIONS

BONUS SLIDES

π beam experiments with HADES

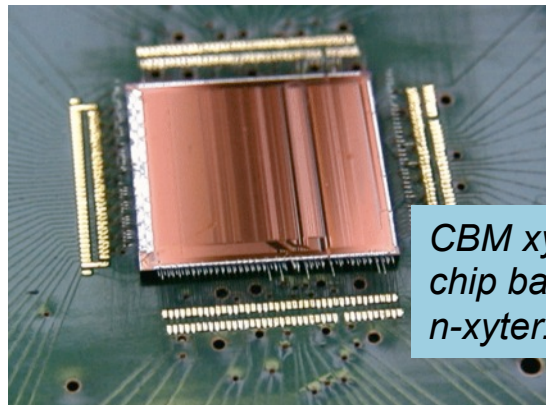
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■ Physics with πN experiments:

- New precision data are of enormous importance for understanding of baryon resonance physics
- Special interest to sub-threshold production

■ Challenges:

- Determine π momentum with $\Delta p/p \sim 1-5\%$
- Beam spot of $6 \times 6 \text{ cm}^2$ at dispersive plane
→ detector with sufficient active area
- Beam intensity $\sim 10^8 \text{ part./s}$
→ radiation hard detector
→ fast readout electronics



CBM xyter FE chip based on n-xyter.

■ Strategy:

- Use $10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$ silicon strip detector
- 2×128 channels - double sided
- Radiation hard

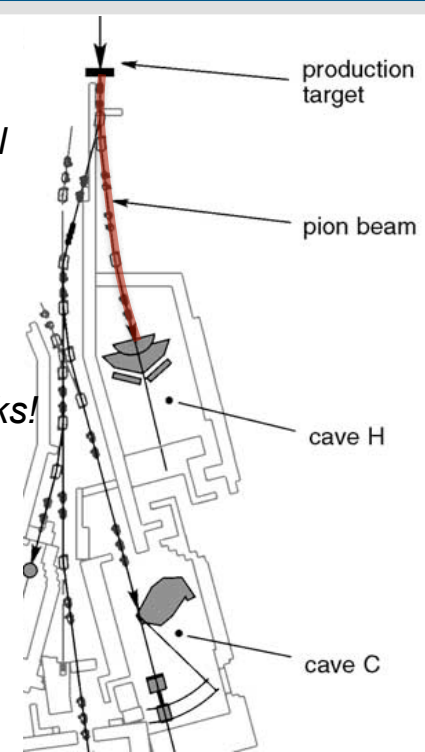
- Profit from n-xyter developments for CBM
 - ✓ Self-triggered architecture
 - ✓ 128 channels
 - ✓ Average hit per channel rate 160 kHz

Primary beam:
 $10^{11} \text{ N (2 AGeV) /spill}$

SIS fast ramping

Spill: 4s cycle

Stable run for 3 weeks!

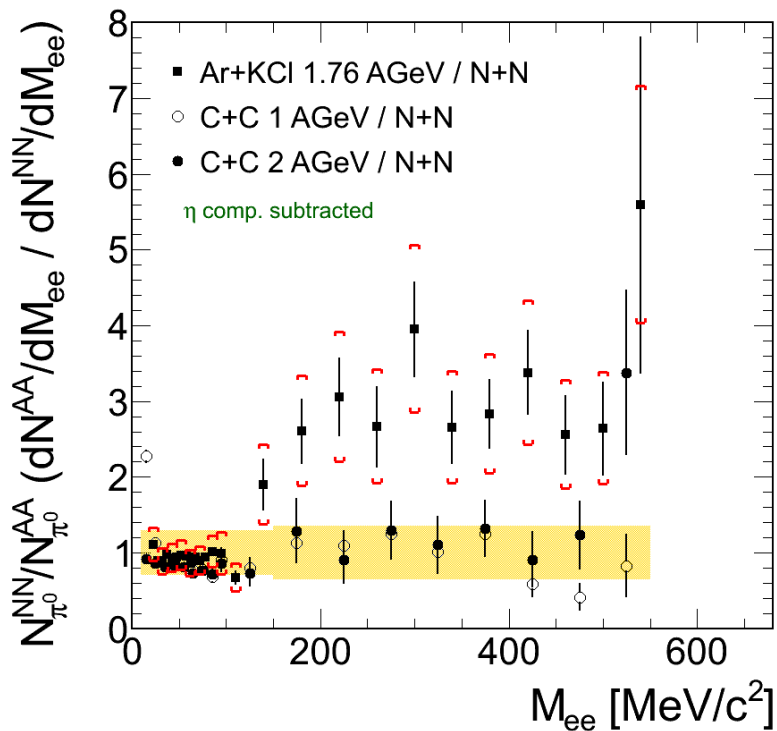


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Centrality dependence of spectral shape

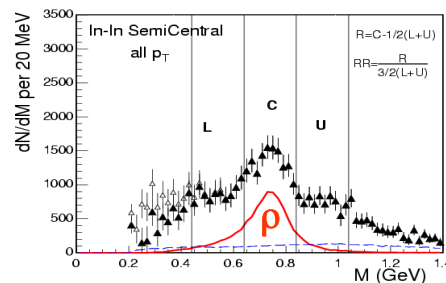
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HADES “ Δ clock”

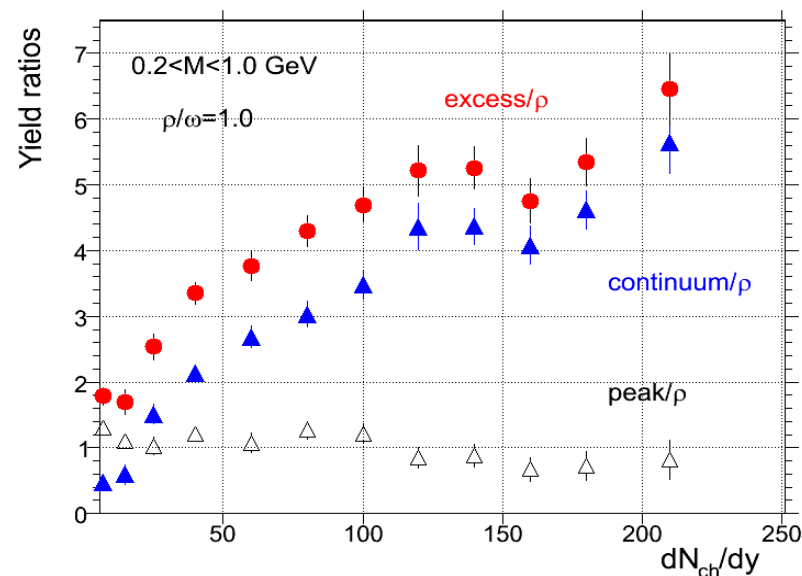


HADES: *Phys.Rev.C84:014902,2011*

- 34% most central collisions ($A_{part}=38$)
- Δ regeneration



NA60's “ ρ clock”



- Rapid increase of relative yield reflects the number of ρ 's regenerated in fireball

Na60 data: *EPJC 61 (2009) 711*

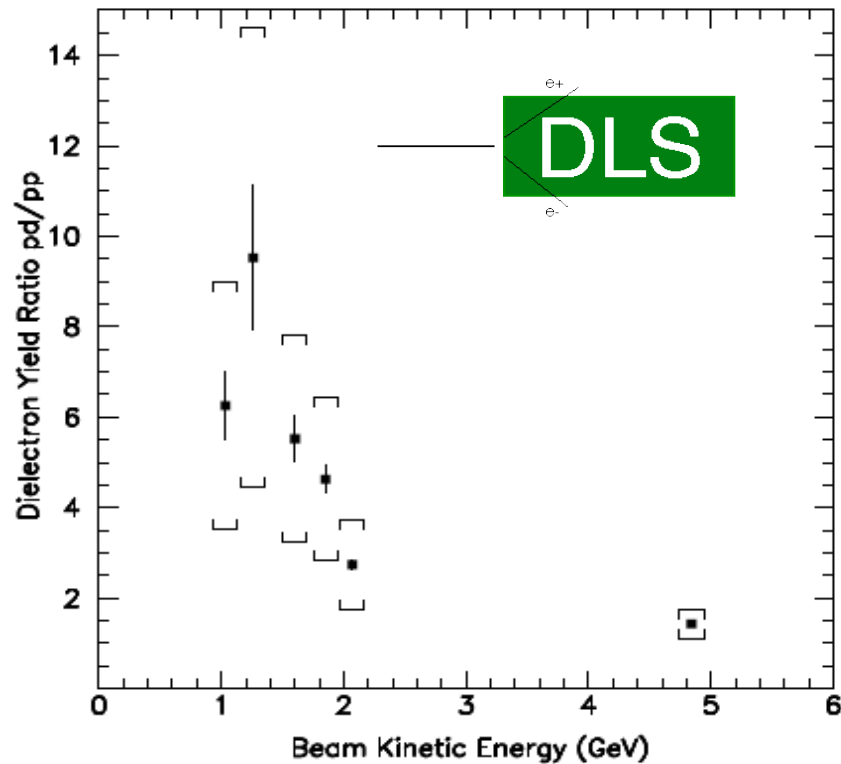
Overview of existing dilepton experiments (summary)

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Experiment	System	\sqrt{s}	$dN_{ch}/d\eta$	E	S/B	Sys error (%)
CERES	Pb+Au	8.86	216	5.9	1/6	20
CERES ($\sigma/\sigma_{tot} = 28\%$)	Pb+Au	17.2	245	2.31	1/13	24
CERES ($\sigma/\sigma_{tot} = 7\%$)	Pb+Au	17.2	350	2.58	1/21	16
NA60(central)	In+In	17.2	193	3	1/11	25
NA60(semi-central)	In+In	17.2	133	2	1/8	25
NA60(semi-peripheral)	In+In	17.2	63	2	1/3	12
NA60(peripheral)	In+In	17.2	17	1.5	2	3
CERES	S+Au	19.5	125	5	1/4.3	25
PHENIX(0-10% centrality)	Au+Au	200	650		1/200	PRC 2010
STAR	Au+Au	200	650	2	1/250	QM2012
SIMULATION						
CBM (sim) (b=0fm) (free SF)	Au+Au	8	300		0.025 0.025 * 6	
ALICE (sim) (R.Rapp in-medium SF)	Pb+Pb	5.5 TeV	248		7e-2	25 LOI
ALICE (sim) (R.Rapp in-medium SF)	Pb+Pb	5.5 TeV	1750		1e-2	25 LOI

NN Reference : e^+e^- in QF $n+p$ collisions

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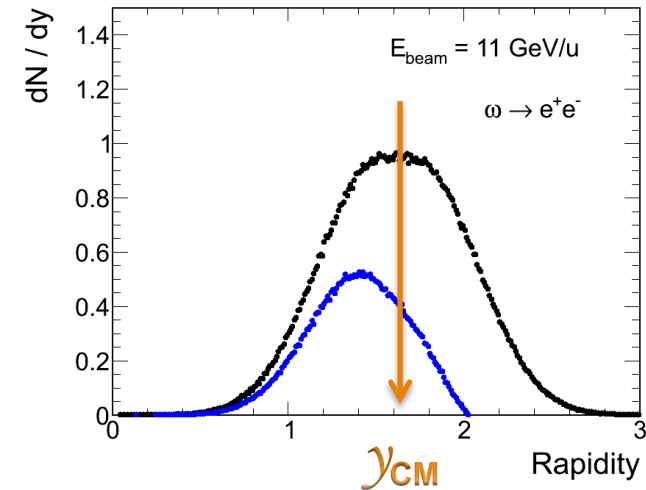
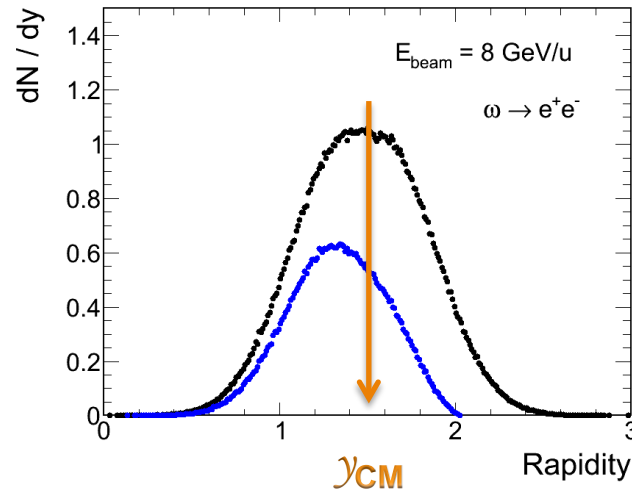
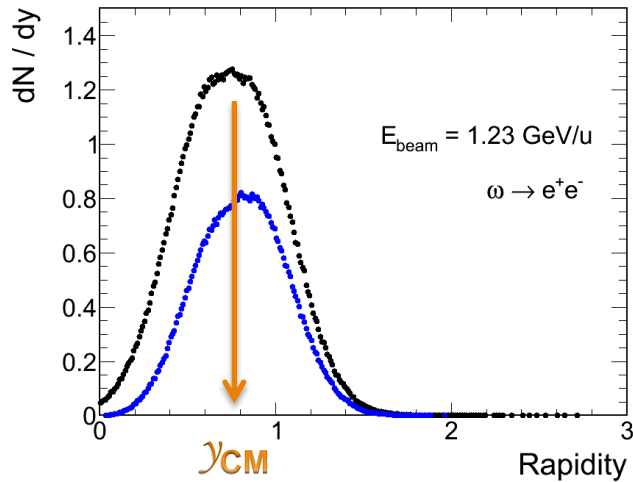


W. Wilson et al., *Phys. Rev. C* 57 (1998)

- Large isospin effects in dilepton production!
 - Role of the momentum distribution of the neutron inside the deuteron?
 - NN bremsstrahlung?

HADES at SIS100: phase space coverage for e^+e^-

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The “sweet spot” is at mid-rapidity and low p_t ! **$E_{\text{beam}} = 1 \text{ GeV/u}$**

- overall acceptance for di-electron pairs $\text{Acc} \approx 35\%$
- with nice mid-rapidity coverage

 $E_{\text{beam}} = 8 \text{ GeV/u}$

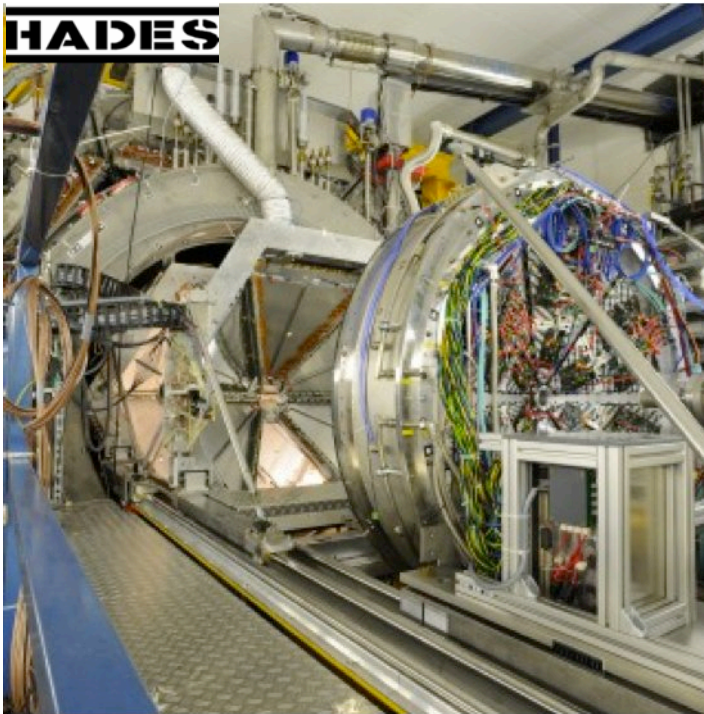
- $\text{Acc} \approx 20\%$
- (natural) shift towards backward rapidity

 $E_{\text{beam}} = 11 \text{ GeV/u}$

- ... still High Acceptance DiElectron Spectrometer $\rightarrow \text{Acc} \approx 20\%$
- **but...**

2016: HADES goes underground

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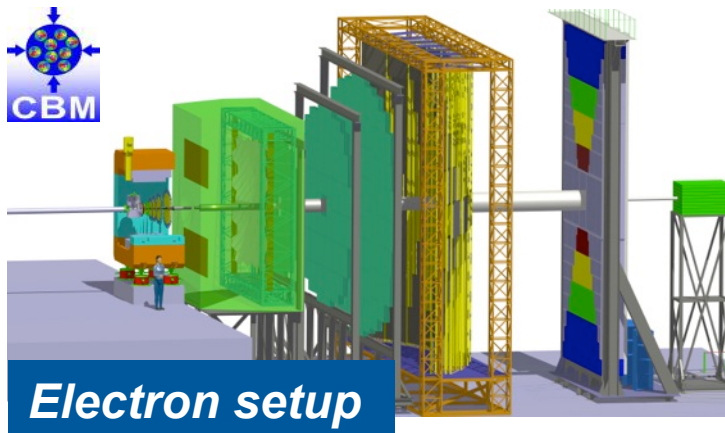


SIS100:

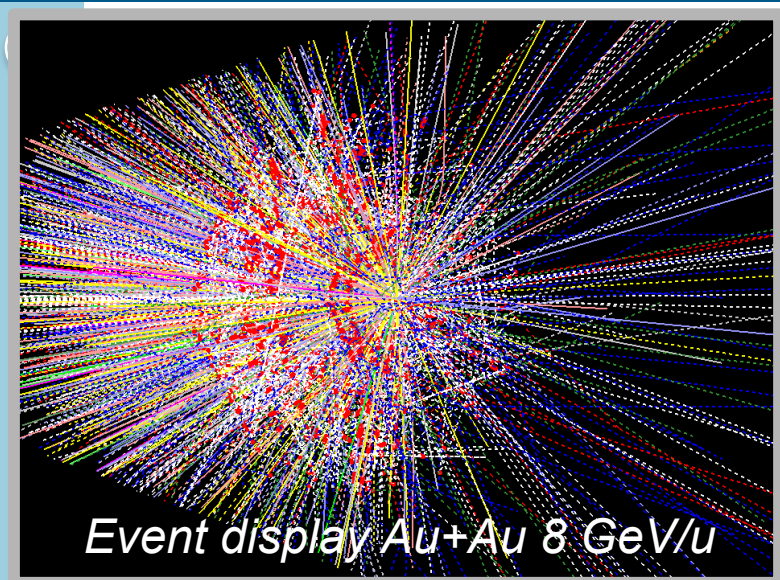
- HADES and CBM:
 - Emissivity of hot/dense nuclear matter
 - In-medium spectral functions of ρ in dense (**baryon dominated**) hadronic matter
 - Multi-strange particle excitation functions
 - Charm production in proton induced reactions
 - Bulk observables

SIS300 :

- CBM:
 - Full exploitation of rare probes a highest μ_B ; fluctuations, flow



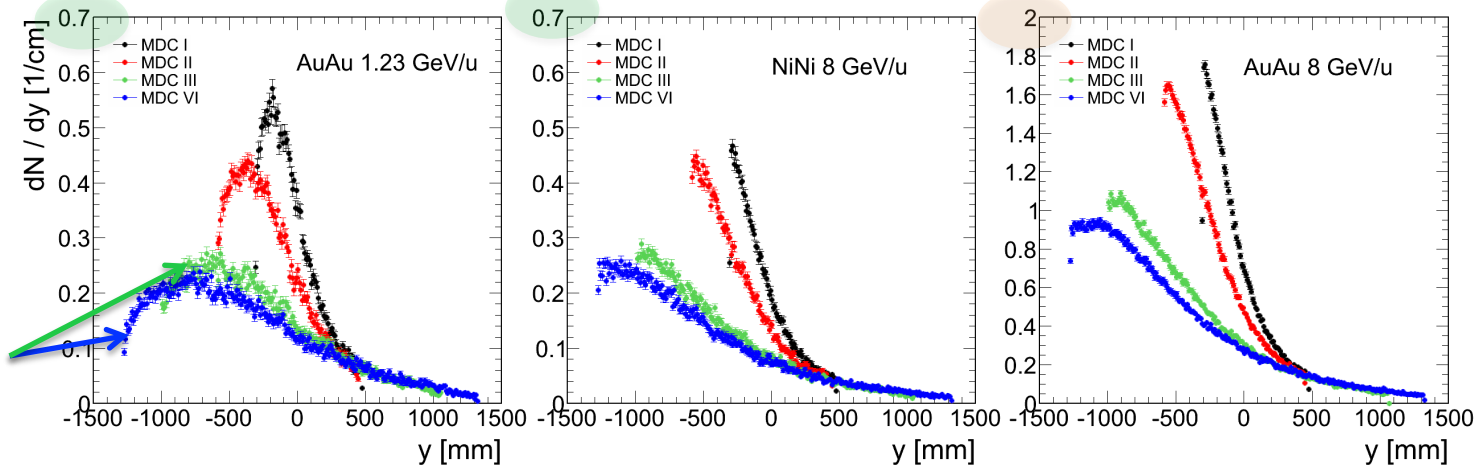
HADES at SIS100: problems, challenges, opportunities



- **Challenge:** tracking issue →
 - wires introduce long range correlations between particle tracks
- Au+Au 1.23 GeV/u successfully measured in May 2012
- Ni+Ni 8 GeV/u \approx Au+Au at 1.23 GeV/u
- Au+Au 8 GeV/u occupancy increases by factor of 4-5!

→ **CBM kicks in**

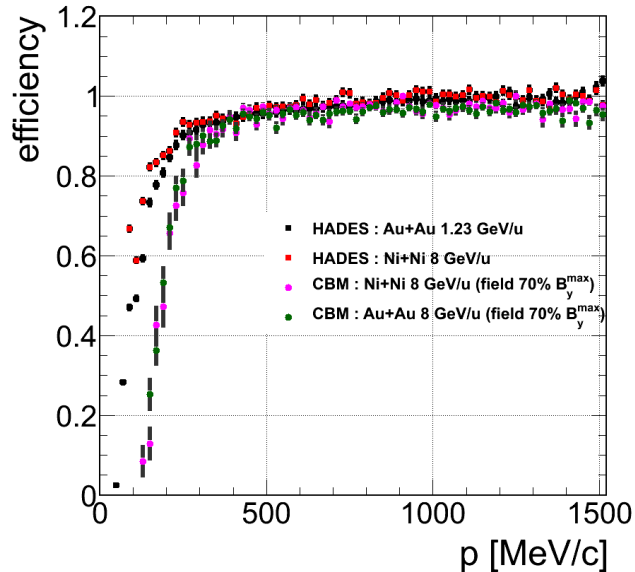
Occupancy in tracking chambers ($b_{\max} = 1$ fm)



Electron identification

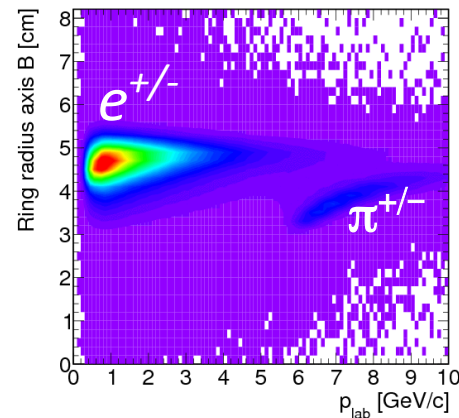
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Track reconstruction efficiency

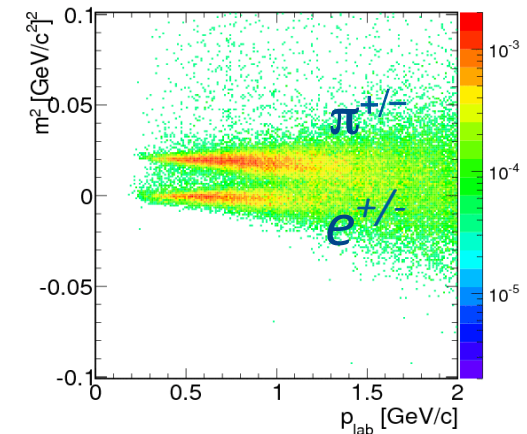


- Momentum distribution of conversion pairs are very soft
- High reconstruction efficiency is required for rejection of conversion pairs

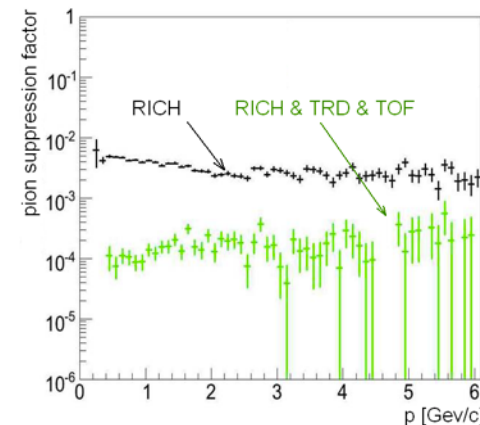
Ring radius vs. momentum



RICH identified $e^{+/-}$ in TOF



π suppression factor of 10^4 (for $p < 1$ GeV/c)
is in reach with RICH and ToF

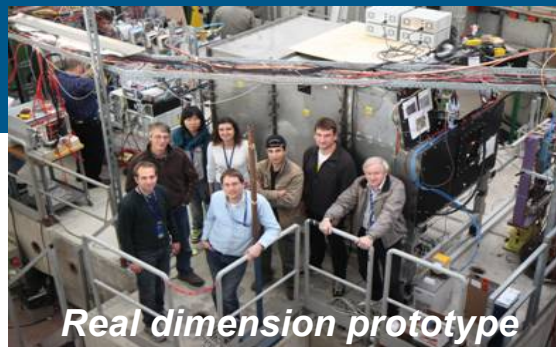


Detector R&D

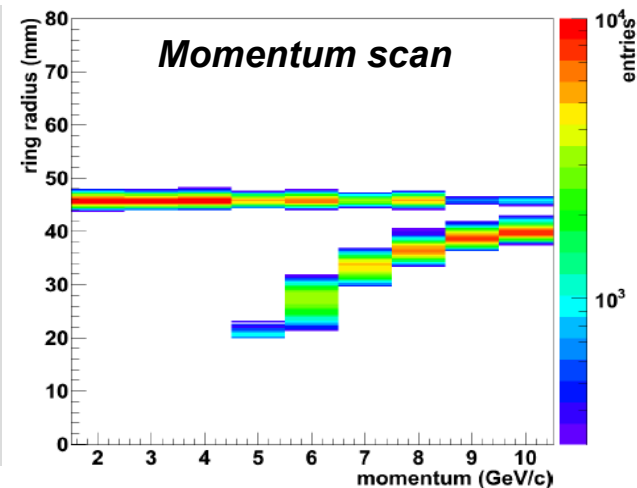
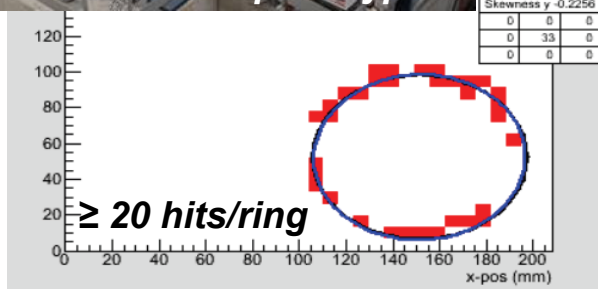
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RICH

- Conventional design based on commercial products (Germany, Russia, Korea)
 - Float glass mirror (carbon as backup)
 - Multi-anode PMT photo detector



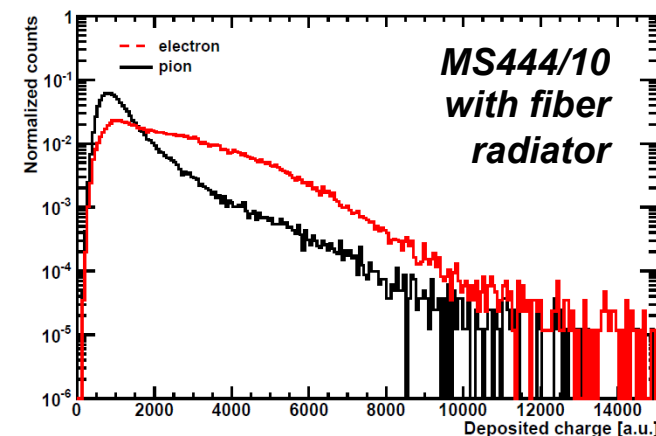
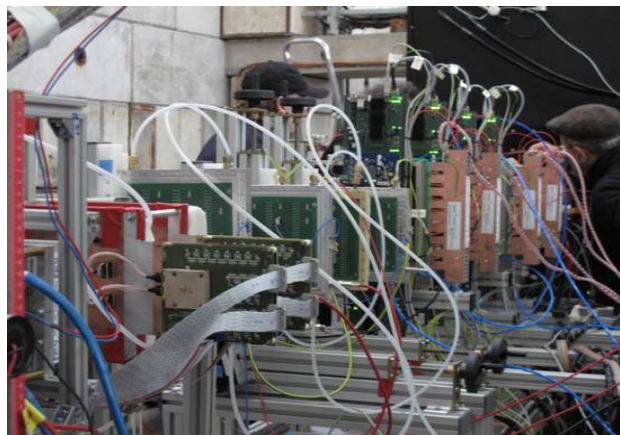
Real dimension prototype



- Test Beam at CERN T9, October 2011
- Mixed electron / pion beam of 2 – 10 GeV/c

TRD

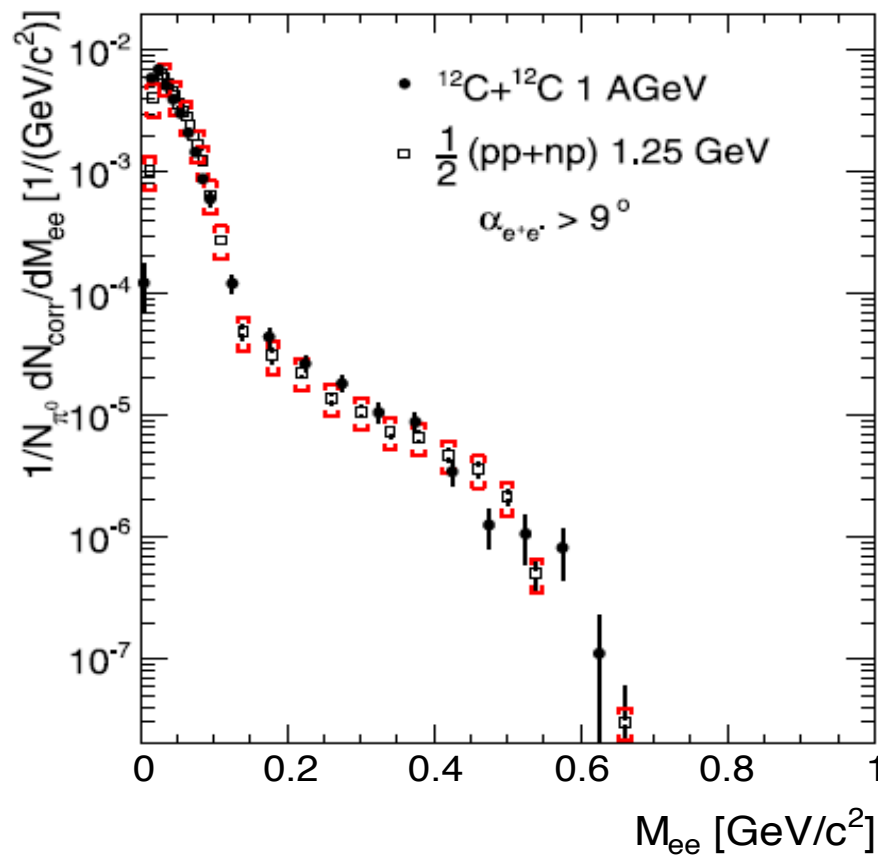
- Thin gap design based on ALICE TRD (Germany, Russia, Romania)



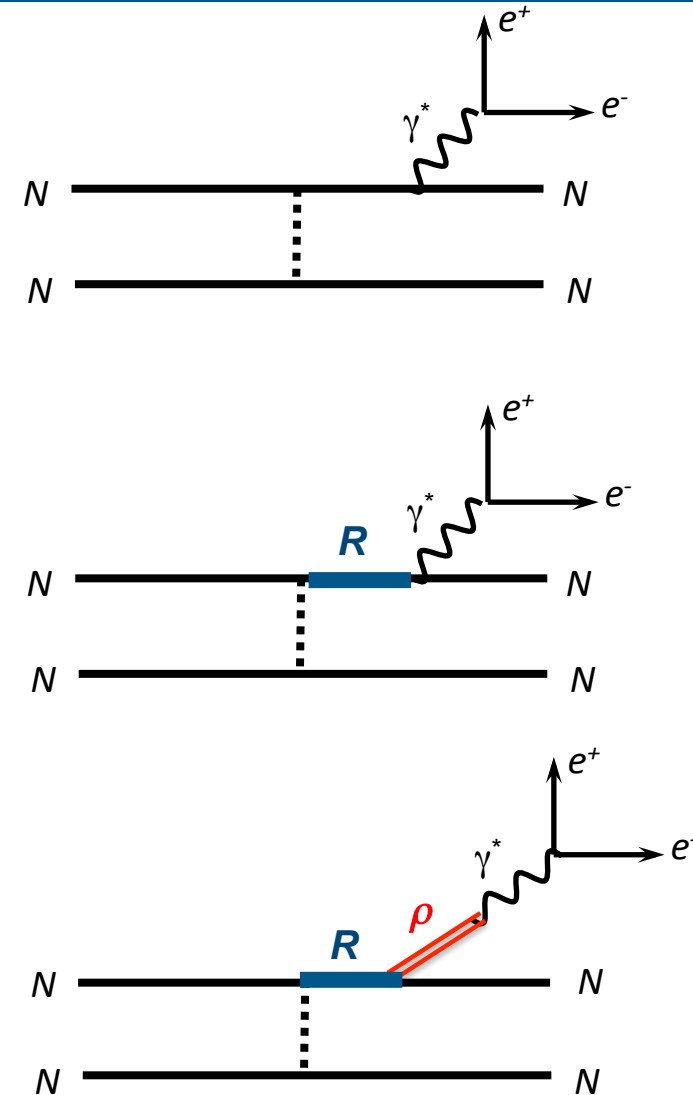
Virtual photon emission in A+A collisions

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Origin of the low-mass pair excess in C+C collisions



HADES: Phys. Lett. B 690 (2010) 118



Baryonic contributions from NN "reference"

$R = \Delta, N^*$