

Dynamical Modeling of Heavy-Ion Reactions

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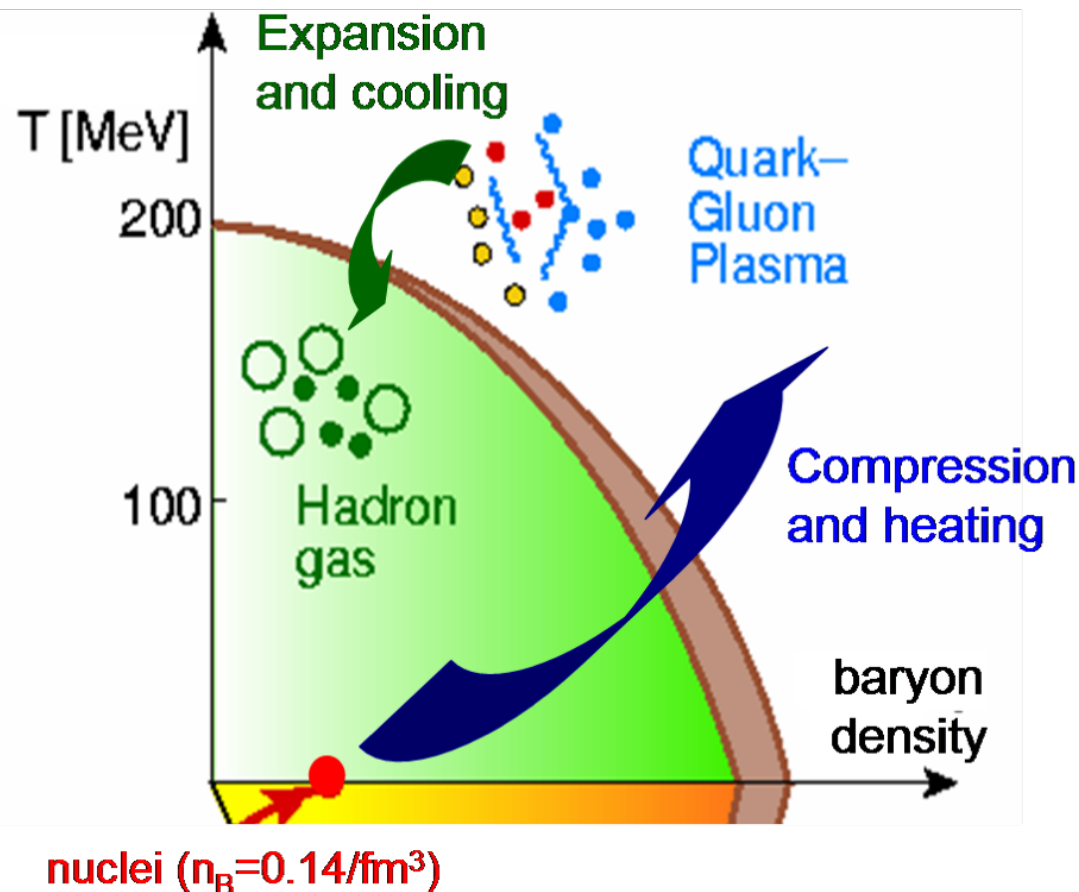
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Outline

- QCD phase diagram
 - Goals of heavy-ion physics
 - ‚Standard model‘ for the dynamical evolution
 - Results of Bayesian analysis at high beam energies
 - Energy dependence of transport coefficients
- Hadronic transport approach, SMASH
 - Short overview of the main ingredients
 - Planned projects for Bayesian statistical analysis:
 - Properties of resonances for strangeness production
 - Equation of state of nuclear matter constrained by GSI-SIS data

The QCD Phase Diagram

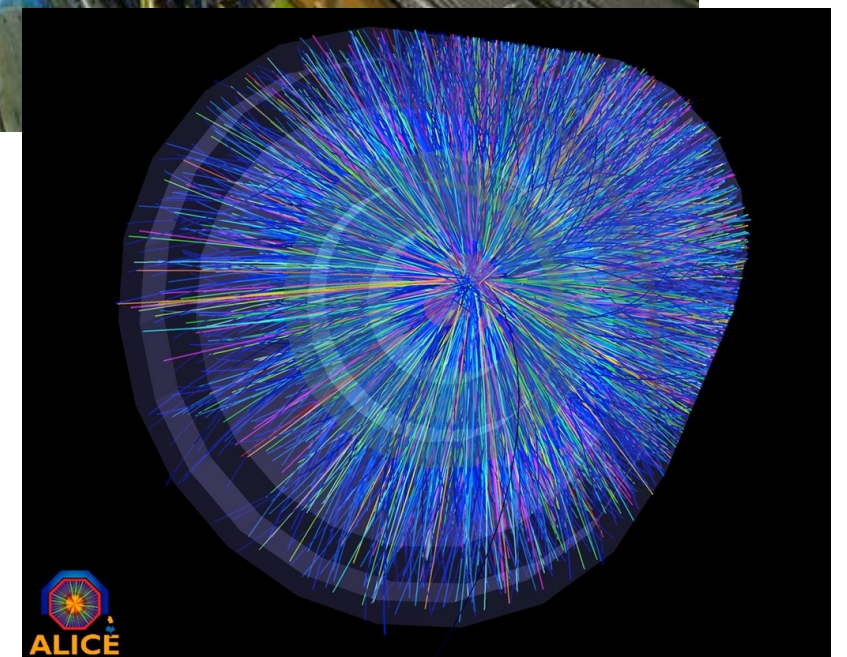
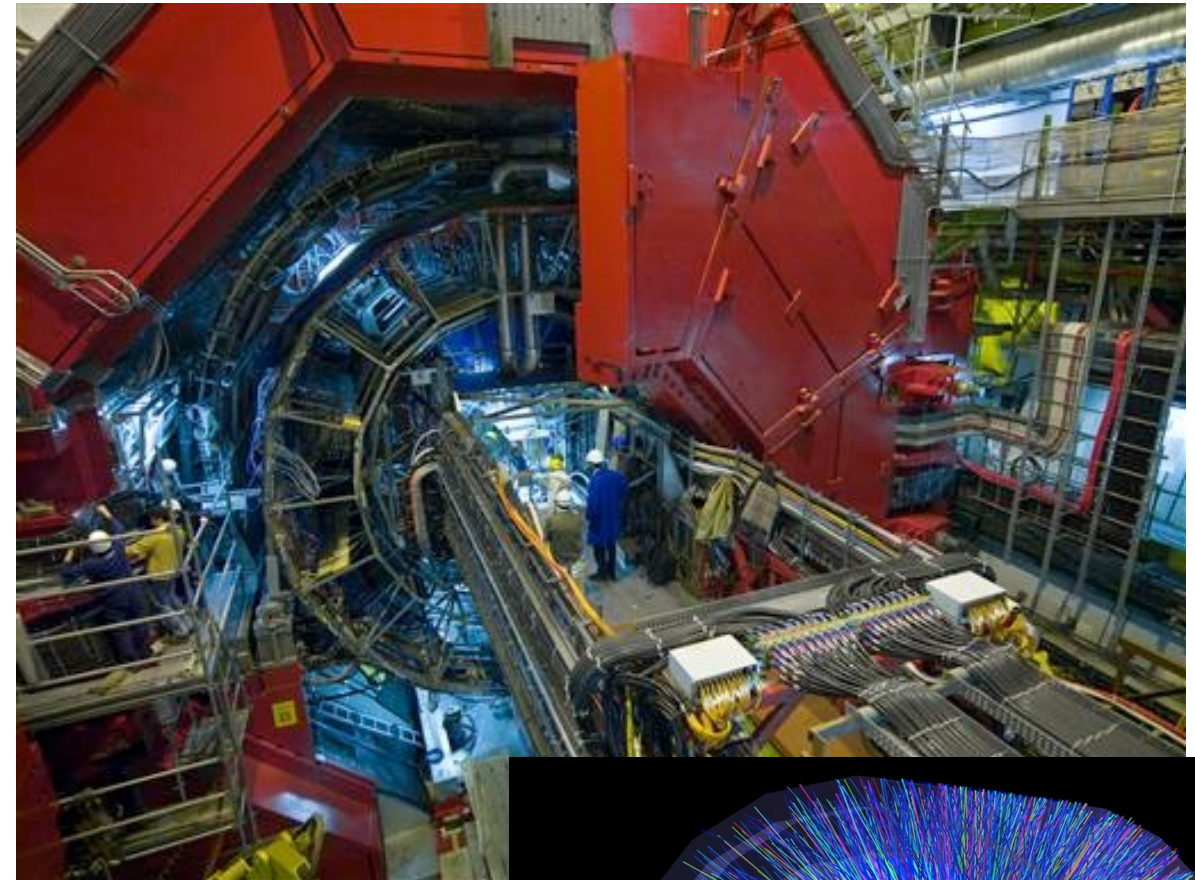
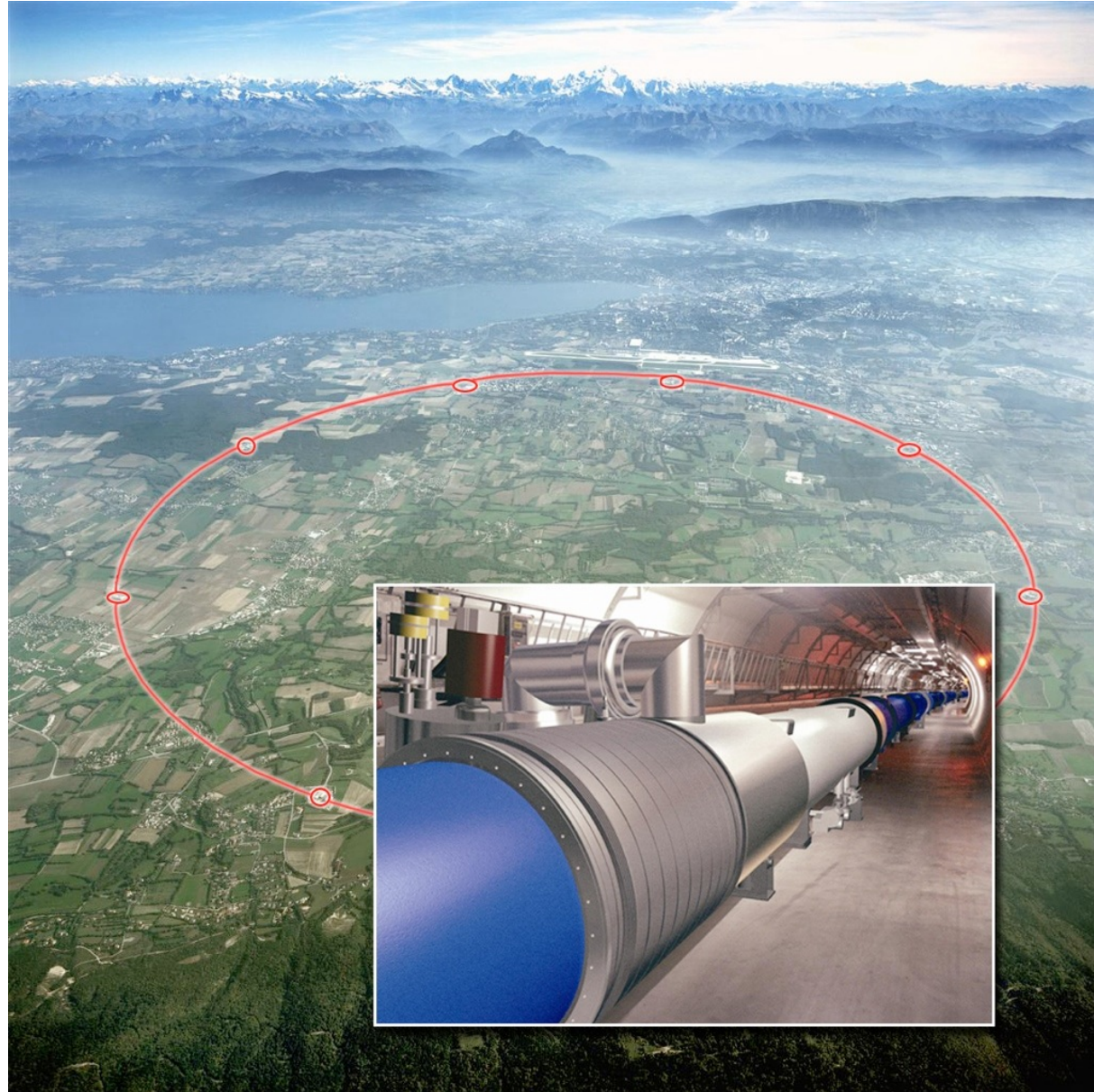
- Main goals of heavy ion research



- Questions to be answered:
 - What is the temperature and the density? What are the relevant degrees of freedom?
 - Phase transition, critical point?
 - What are the transport properties? $(\eta/s)(T, \mu_B)$ and $(\zeta/s)(T, \mu_B)$

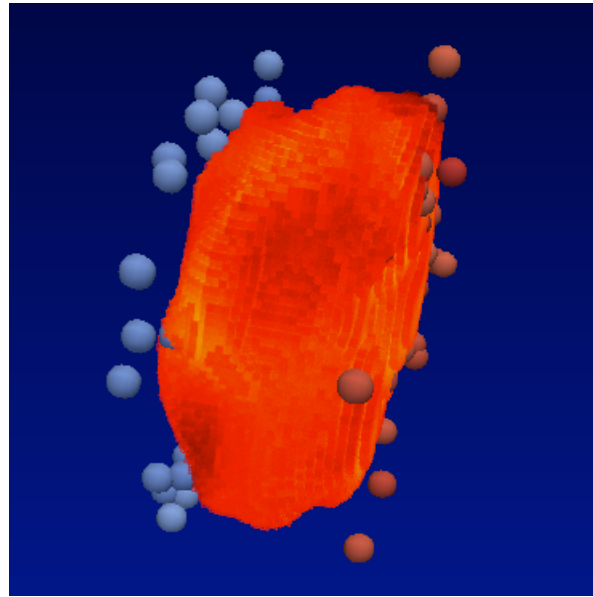
- Understand the structures in the phase diagram
- Investigate the properties of the quark-gluon plasma
- Collisions of heavy ions at different beam energies at LHC, RHIC and GSI provide experimental insights

Creating the QGP in the Lab

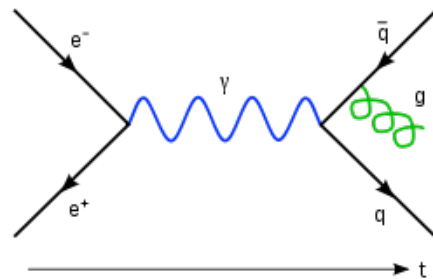


- ALICE at Large Hadron Collider, CERN
- How to find relics of the QGP in the traces of thousands of hadrons?

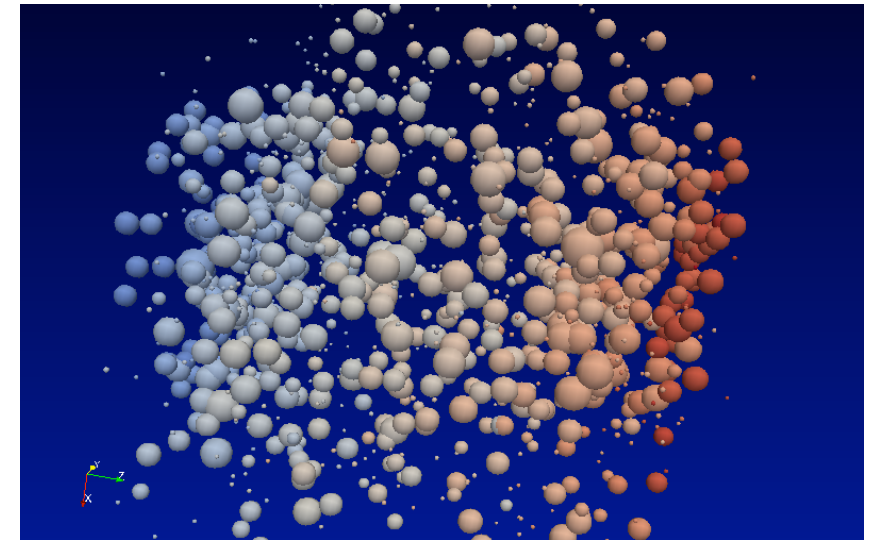
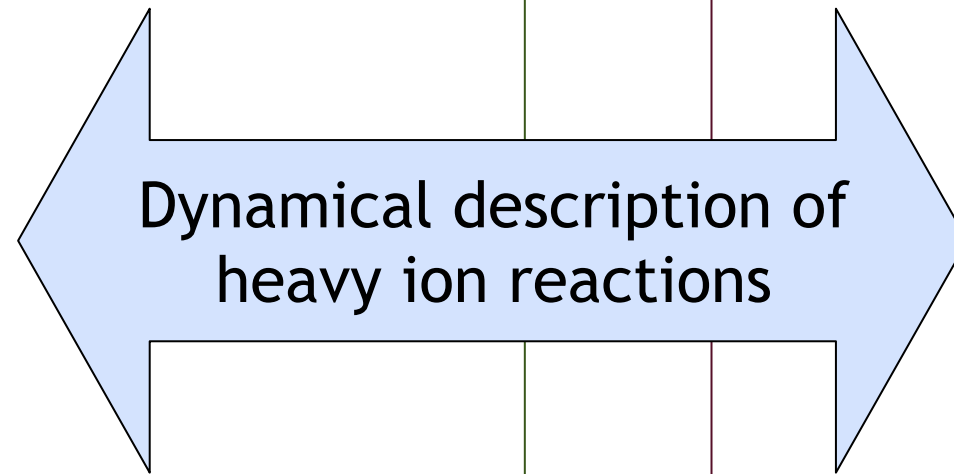
Theoretical Description



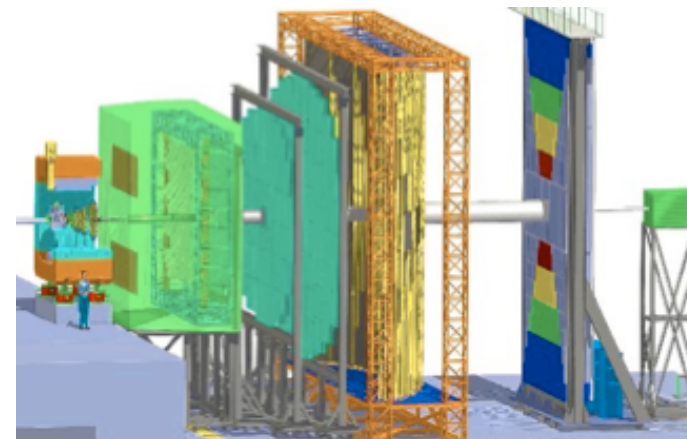
Fundamental field theory of strong interactions (QCD)



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \bar{\psi}_i (i\gamma^\mu (D_\mu)_{ij} - m \delta_{ij}) \psi_j - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu}$$

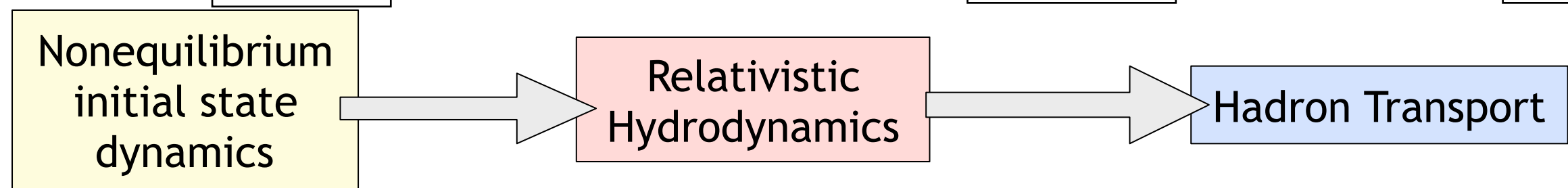
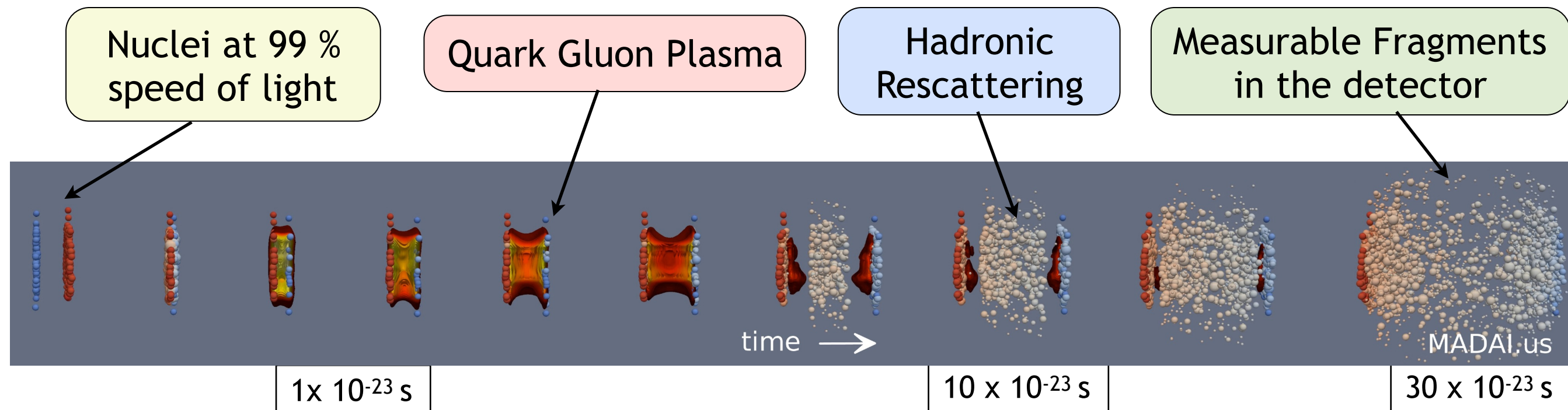


Measurements in the detector (CBM@FAIR)



- **Theoretical models** are essential to gain insights about the properties of the quark gluon plasma, since the short timescale and small volume do not allow for a direct observation

Time Evolution of Heavy Ion Collisions



- Due to the short **time scale** of 10^{-22} seconds and the tiny **volume** $(10 \times 10^{-15} \text{m})^3$ the quark gluon plasma escapes direct detection

Dynamic description of heavy ion collisions has to capture all the stages of the reaction

Quantifying QGP Properties

- Dynamical approaches have many parameters
- Sensitivities of interest are hidden in non-linear dependencies

Initial State

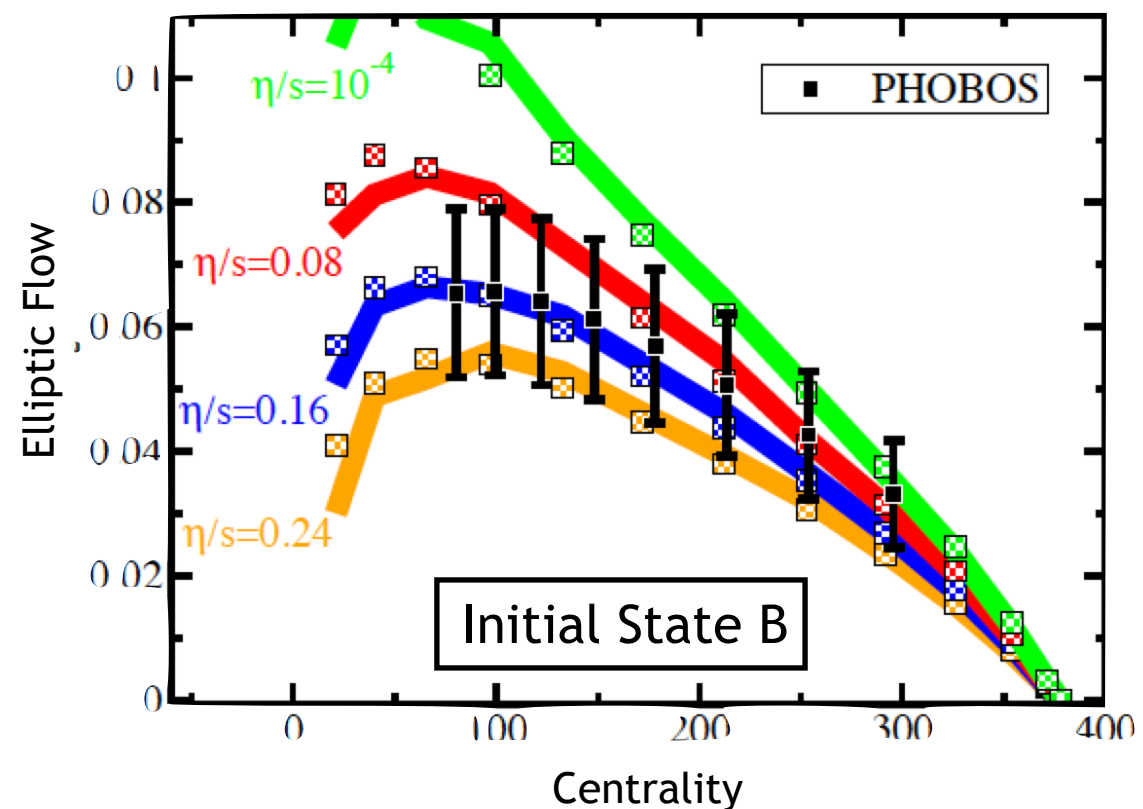
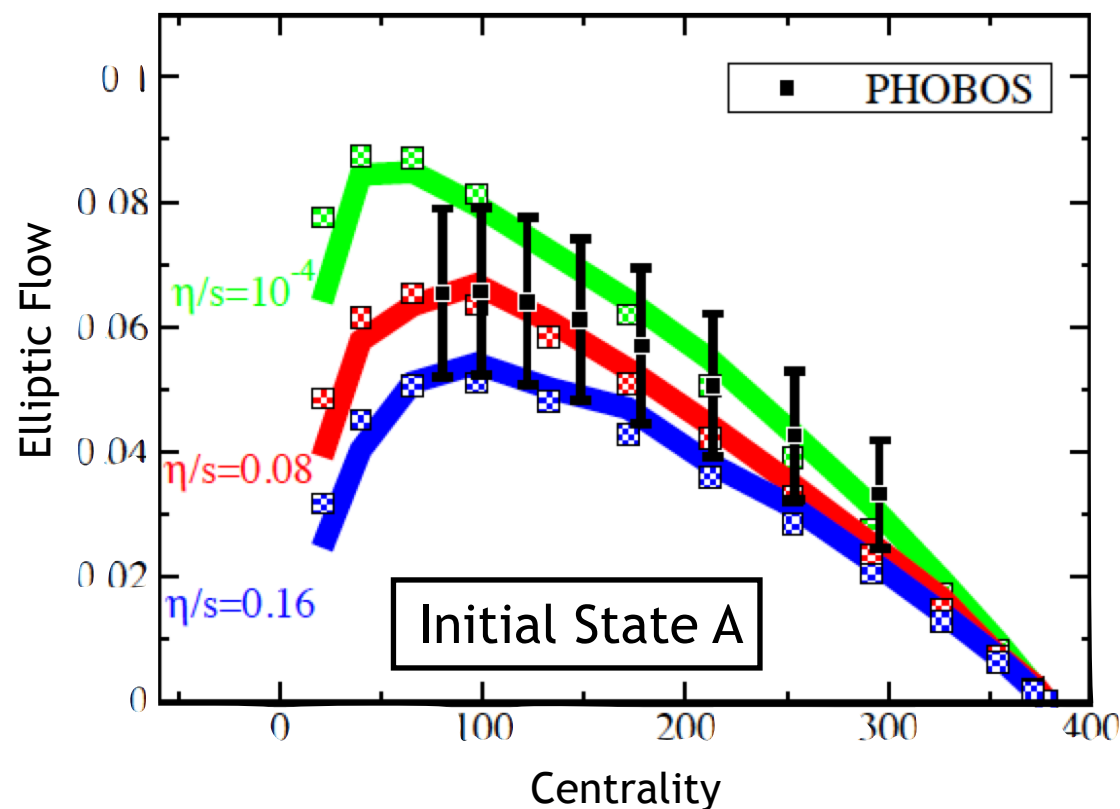
- Shape of the profile
- Starting time
- Fluctuations

Hydrodynamics

- Equation of state
- Min. viscosity
- **Viscosity**

Hadronic Transport

- Transition criterion
- Particle species
- Cross-sections



→ Multi-Parameter analysis of many observables

How to get more quantitative?

- **Qualitative** description of heavy ion reactions by hybrid approaches
- Dependence on **multitude** of parameters
- Huge amount of experimental **observables**
- How can we get **quantitative results** for quantities of interest, like viscosity, transition energy density, thermalization time,...?



Modeling and Data Analysis Initiative

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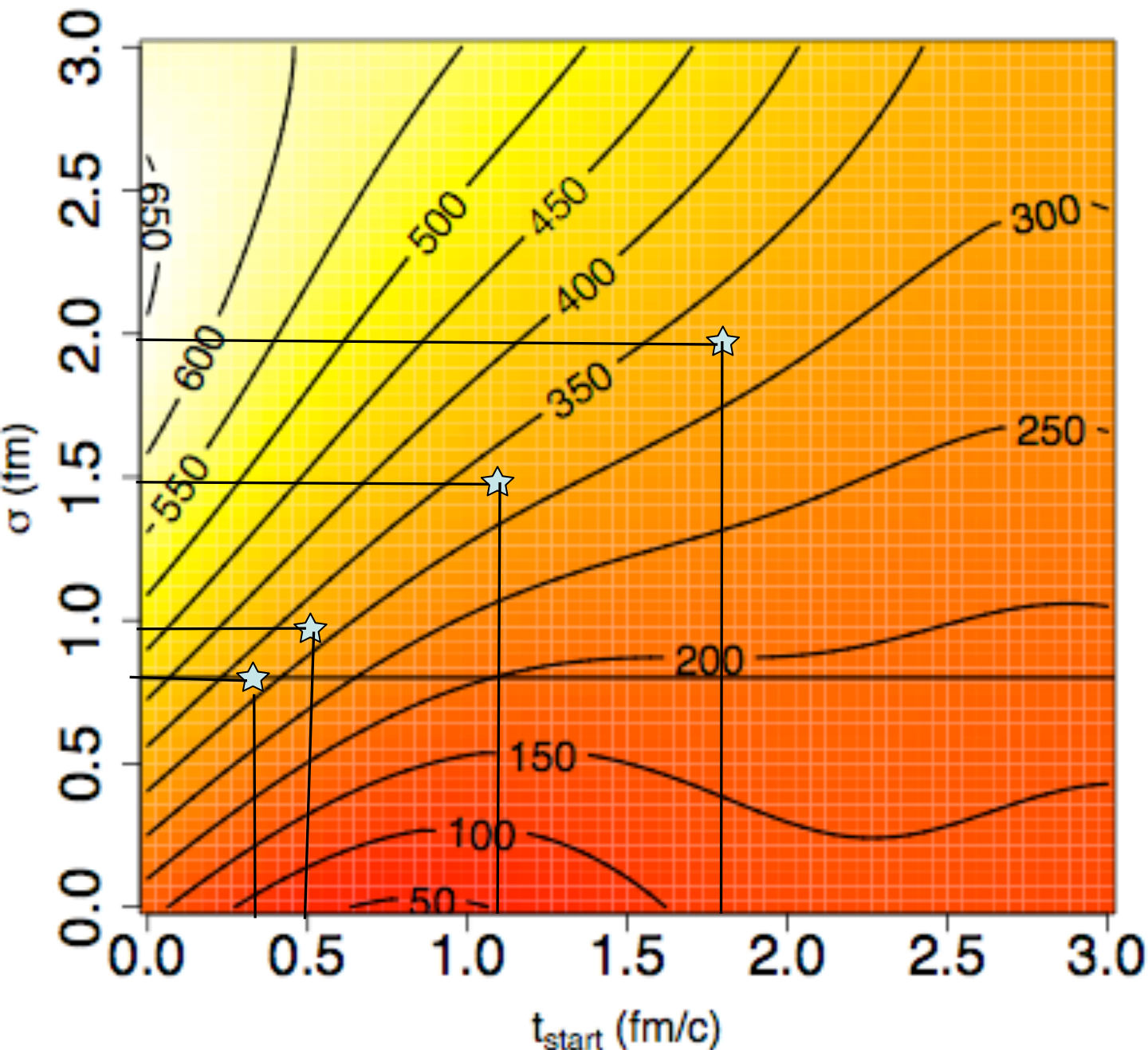
NSF Cyber discovery initiative ~2009-1015

- Different fields of science coping with **large data sets** and complicated dynamical models, e.g. meteorologists, galaxy cluster formation, heavy ion physics,...
- Develop **statistic** analysis tools for multi-parameter fit
- Apply new **visualization techniques** to dynamical simulation
- Extract **quantitative** statements from RHIC data

<http://madai.us>
for examples

Parameter Sensitivity Tests

Initial Conditions parameter study in one specific hybrid approach

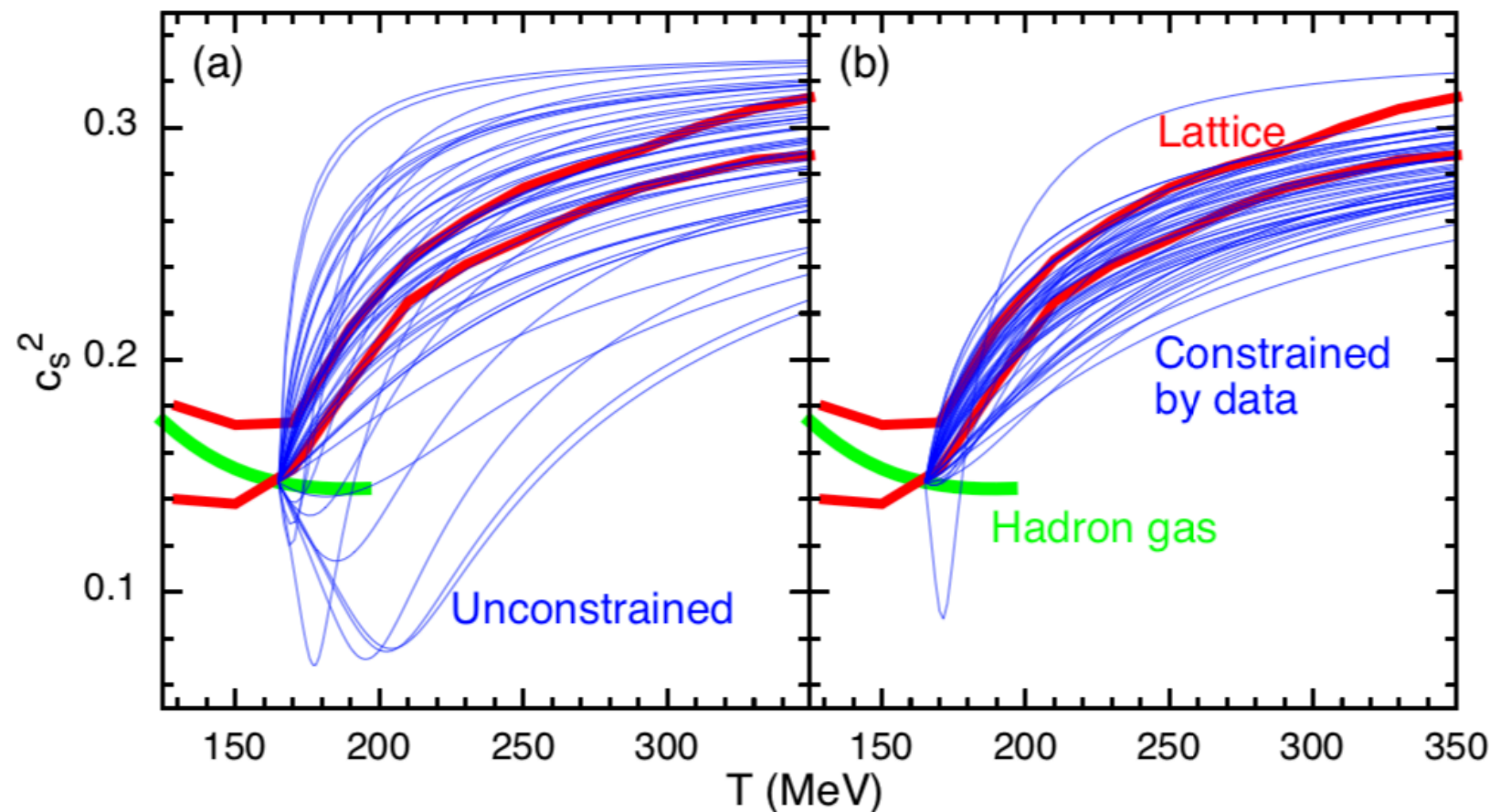


- Sophisticated statistical analysis
- **Emulator** predicts results of calculations for parameter sets by means of advanced statistics
- Number of pions in the $t_{\text{start}} - \sigma$ plane
- Determine reasonable combinations of parameters

H.P. et al, J.Phys.G G38 (2011) 045102

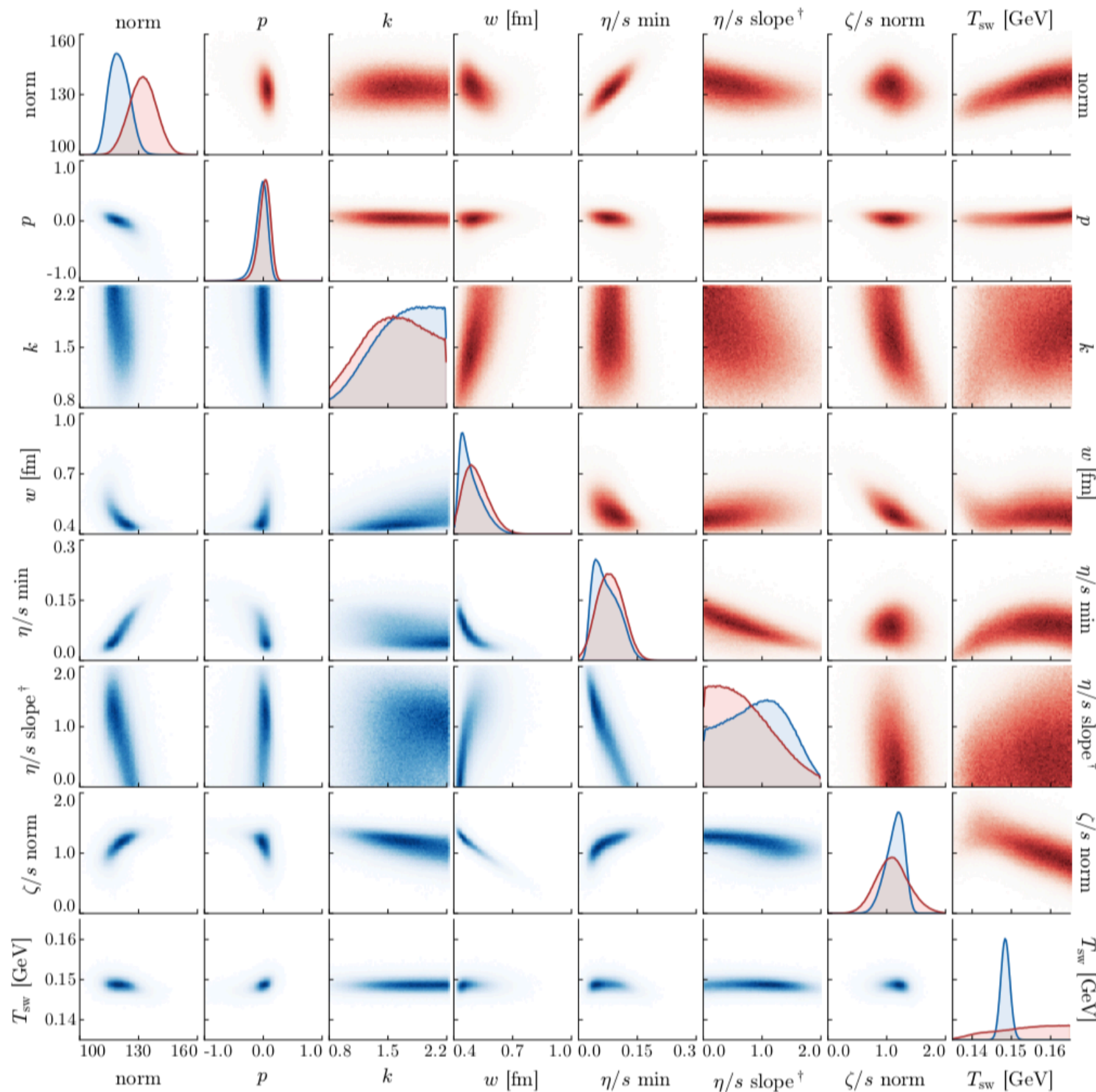
Equation of State

- Equation of state constrained by RHIC and LHC bulk observables matches lattice QCD result



- Experimental results provide statistical and systematic errors, what about theory?

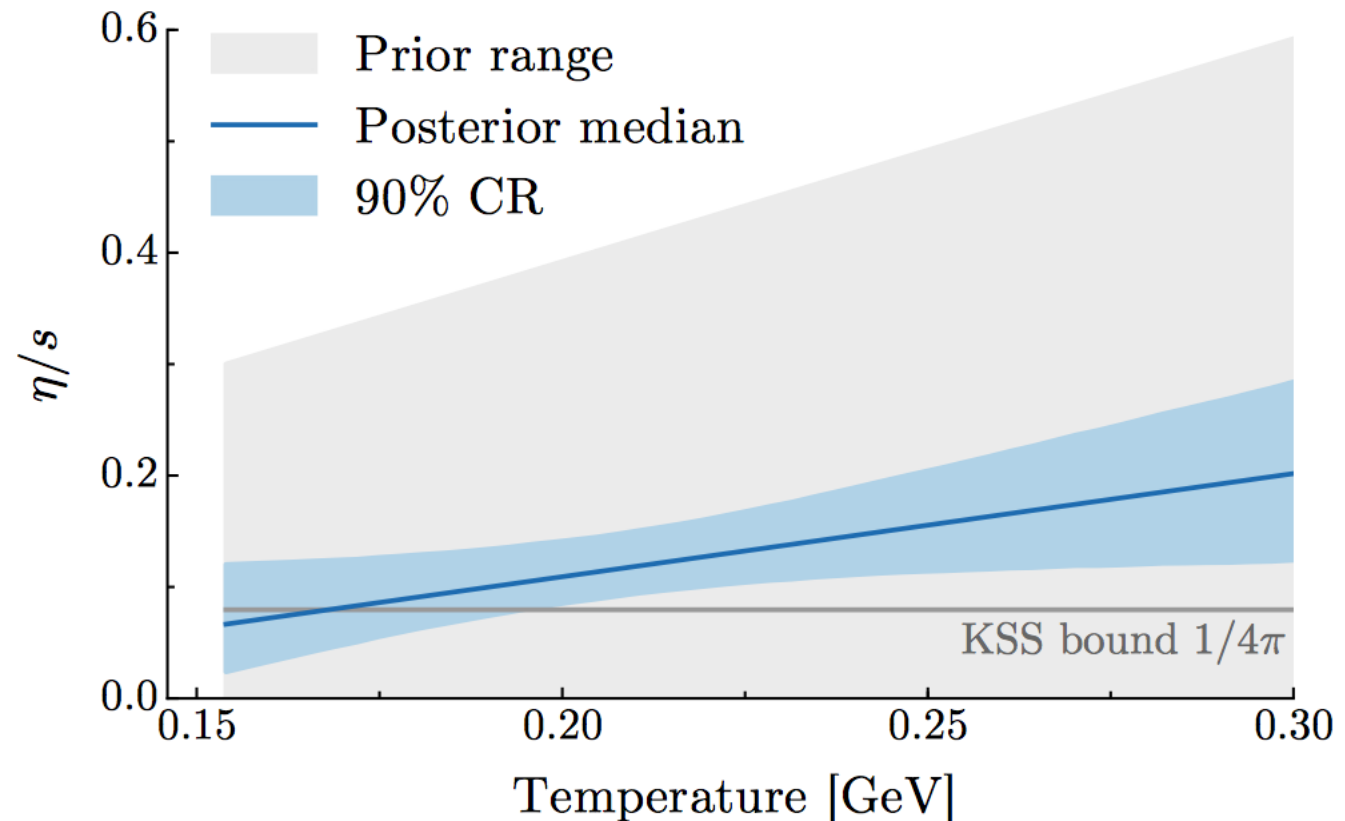
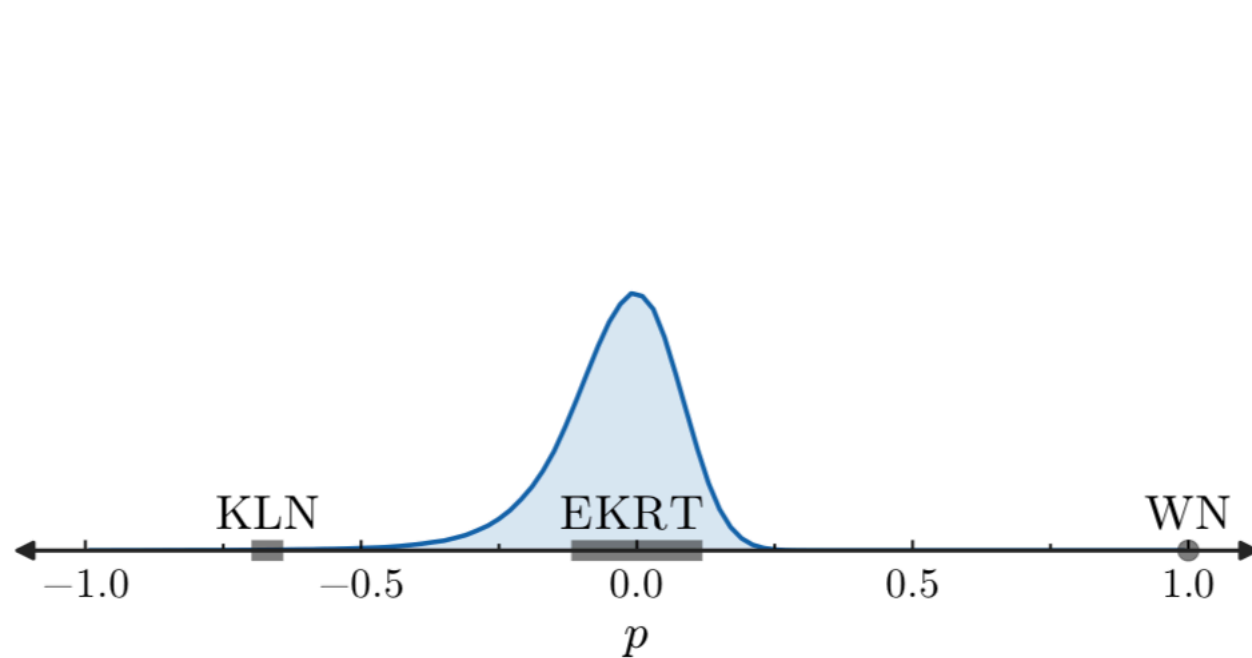
Multi-Parameter Analysis Posteriors



J. Bernhard et al, Phys.Rev. C94 (2016) no.2, 024907

Duke Bayesian Analysis

- Constraints on initial state and transport coefficients are provided with quantified uncertainties



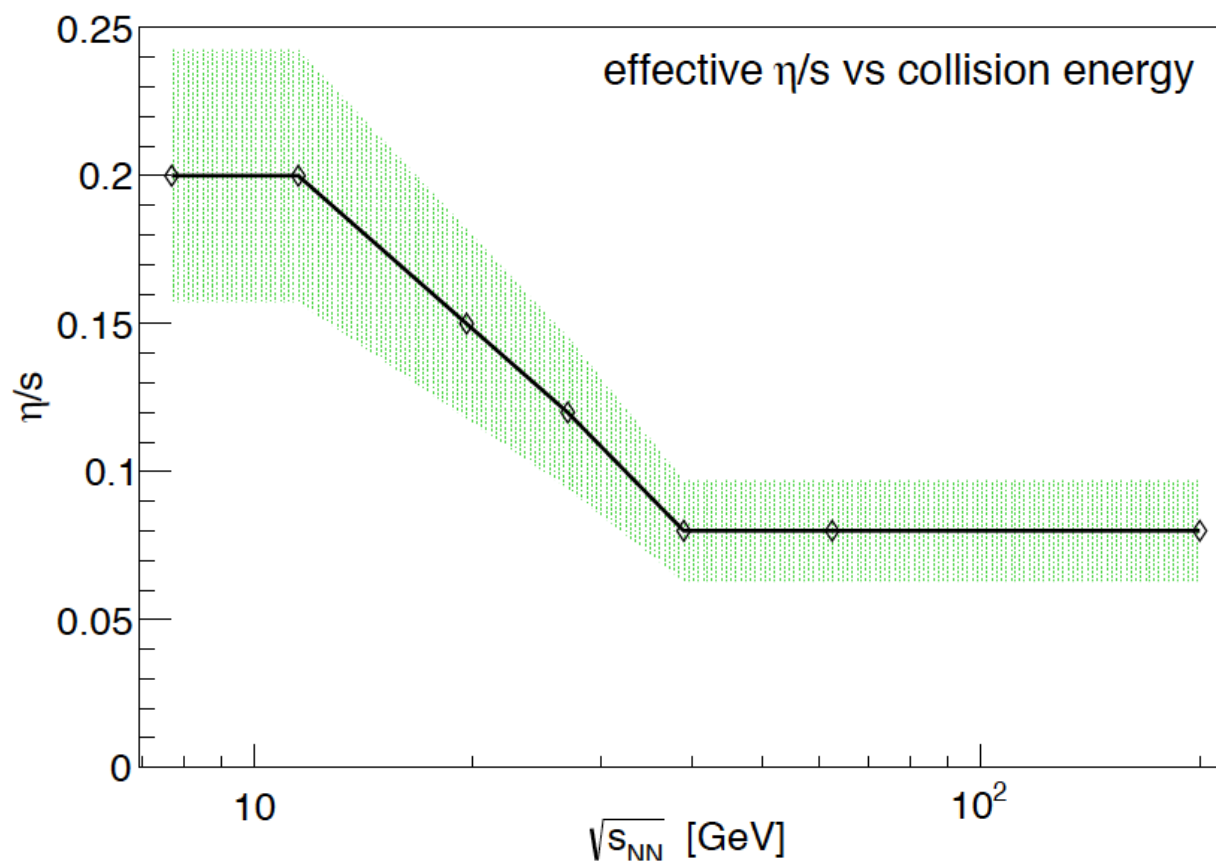
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- Is this result confirmed within independent theoretical analysis? (different implementation of the same physics ingredients) -> Hint of systematic uncertainties..

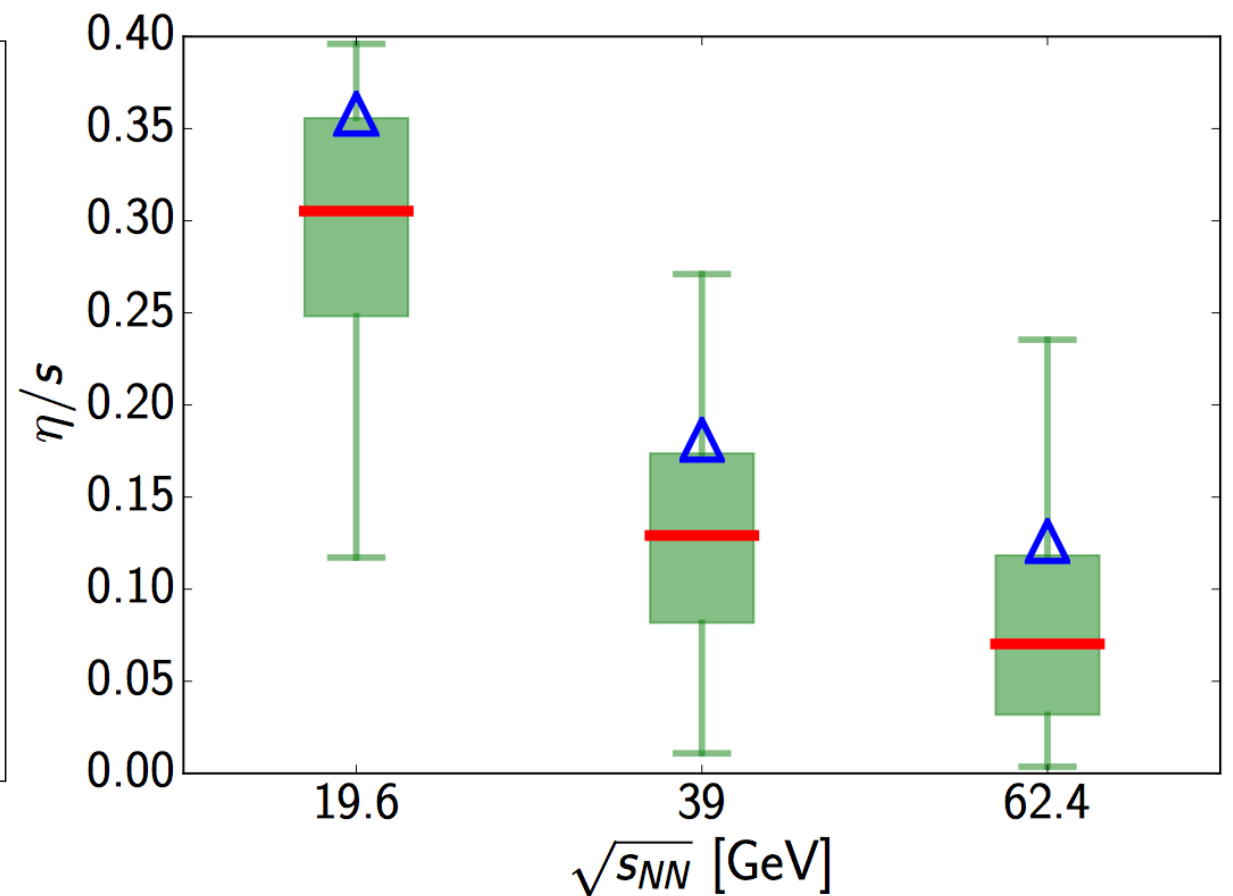
η/s Energy Dependence

- Viscous UrQMD hybrid fitted to RHIC beam energy scan and SPS data allows to extract **effective** shear viscosity of the hydrodynamic stage

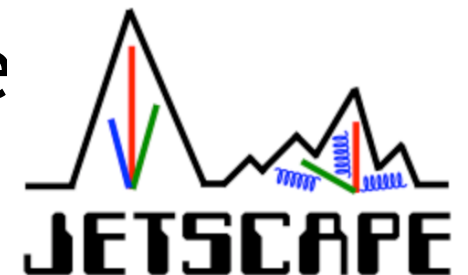
Analysis „by eye“



Bayesian framework

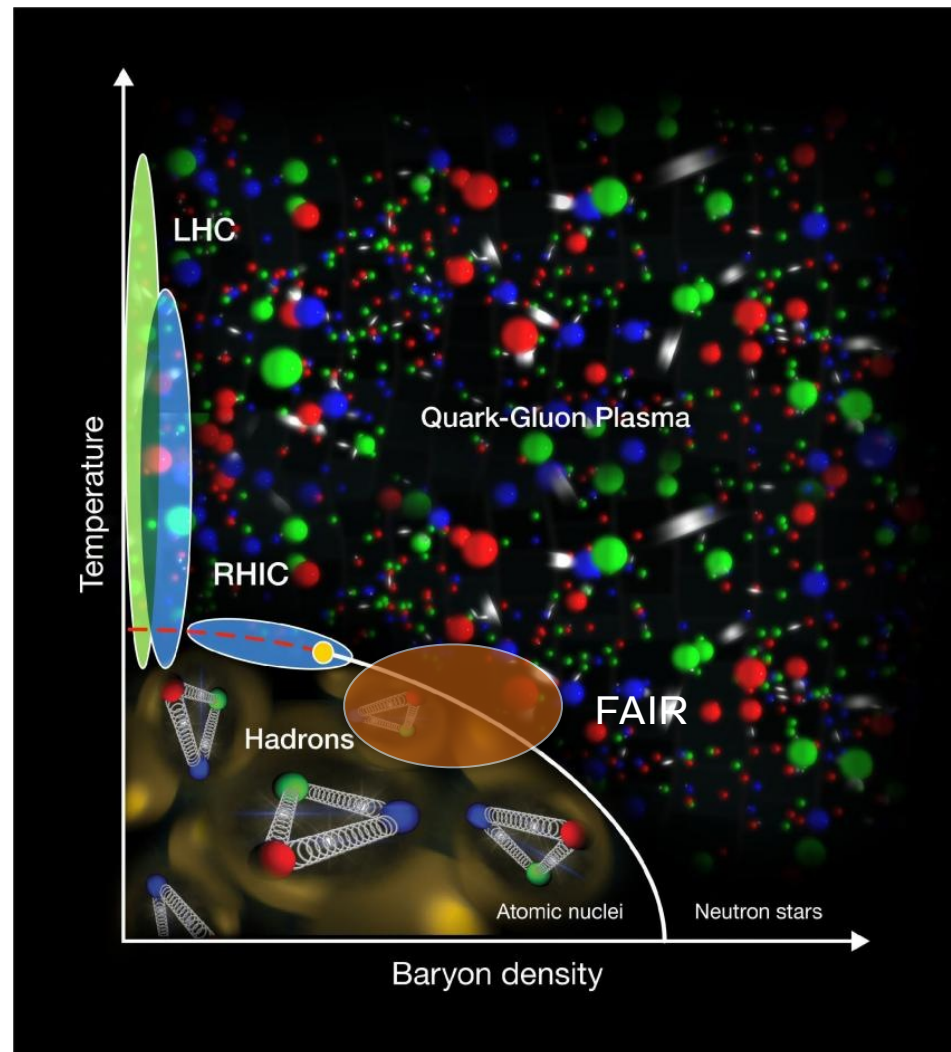


- The heavy-ion community starts to appreciate the quantitative analysis -> NSF initiative JETSCAPE



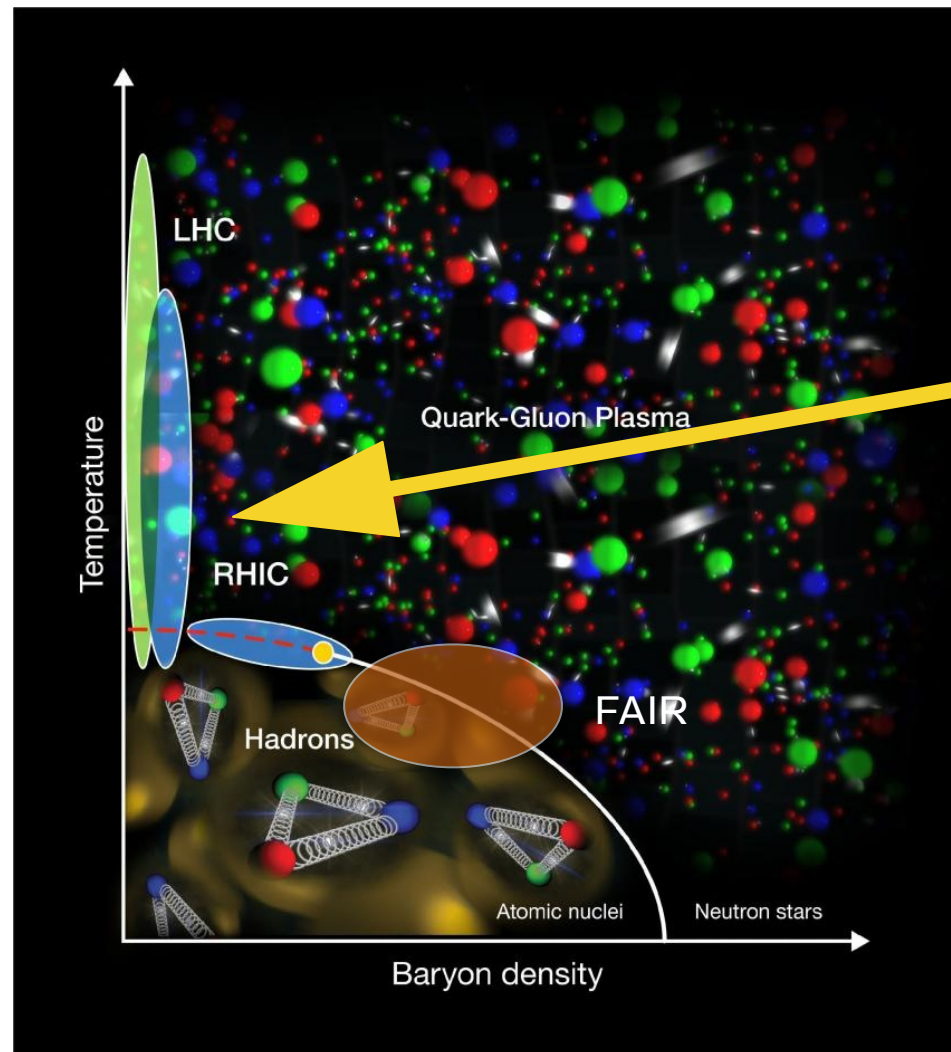
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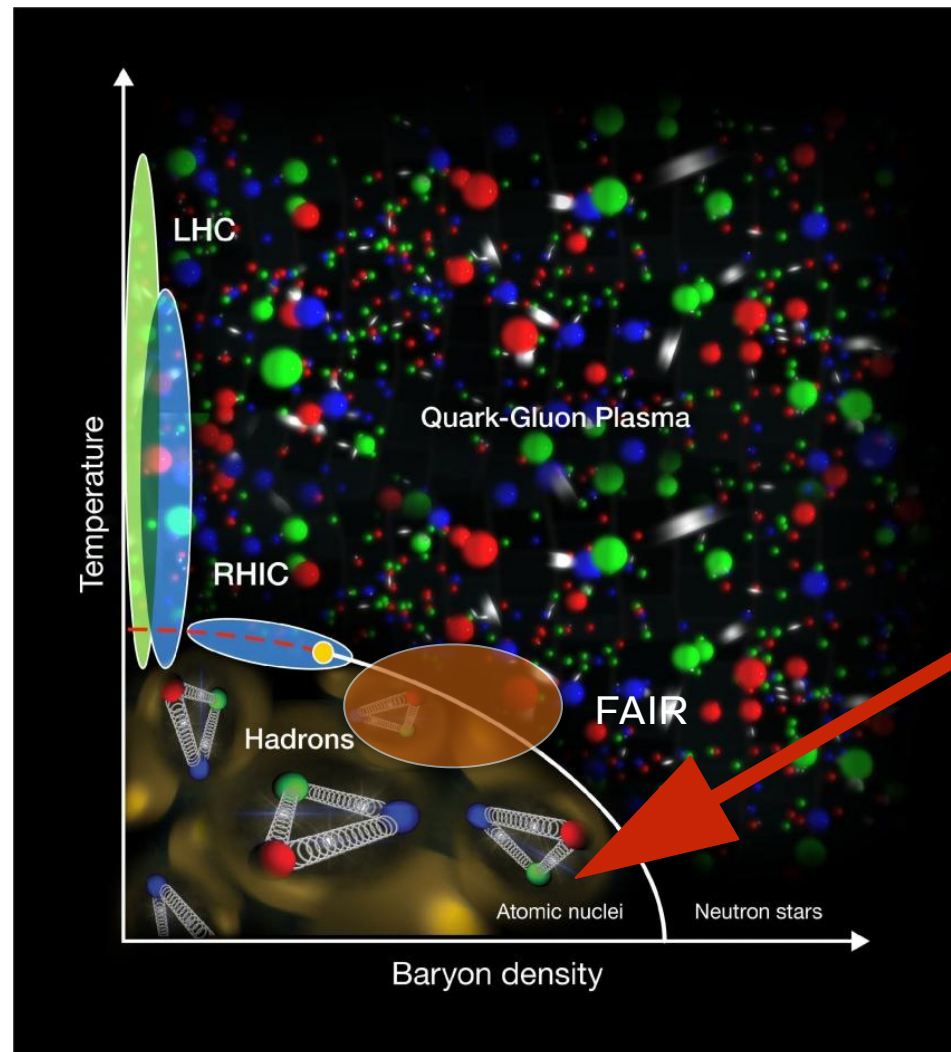
‘Standard model’ at high energies ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 39 \text{ GeV} - 5.5 \text{ TeV} +$):

- Non-equilibrium initial evolution
- Viscous hydrodynamics
- Hadronic transport

—> Refinement and Bayesian multi-parameter analysis

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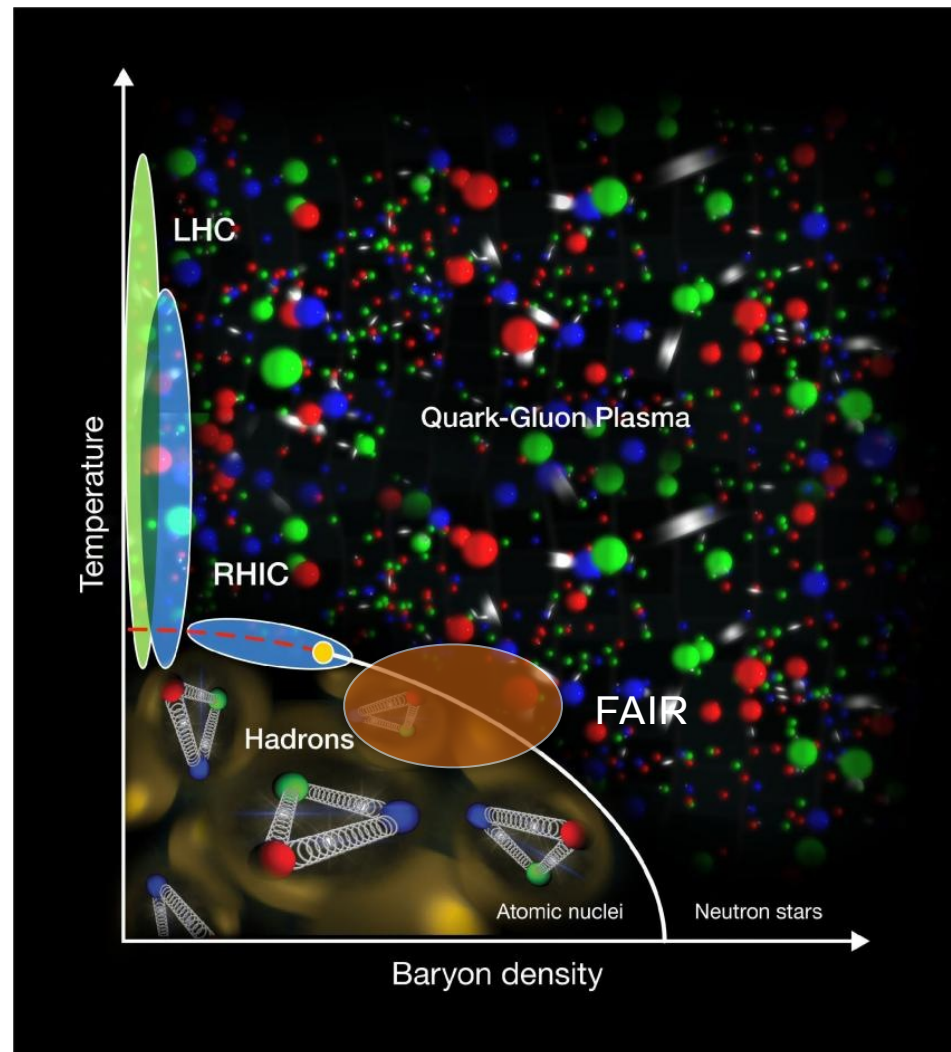
At very low beam energies
($\sqrt{s_{NN}} < 3 \text{ GeV}$):

- Hadronic transport approaches
- Resonance dynamics
- Nuclear potentials

—> High density phase?
Multi-particle interactions?

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,Standard model' at high energies
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Hadron transport at very low
beam energies
($\sqrt{s_{NN}} < 3 \text{ GeV}$)

- In the intermediate energy region, more qualitative understanding is required, before statistical analysis is sensible

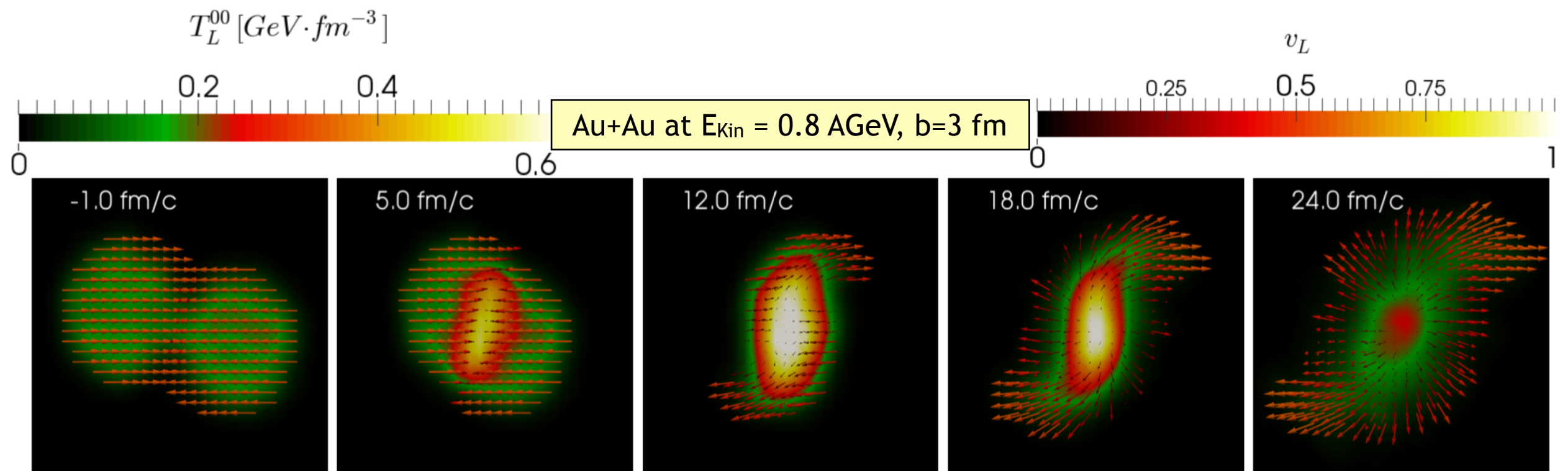
New Hadronic Transport Approach

- Hadronic transport approaches are successfully applied for the dynamical evolution of heavy ion collisions
- **Hadronic non-equilibrium dynamics is crucial for**
 - Full/partial evolution at **low/intermediate beam energies**
 - Late stage **rescattering** at high beam energies (RHIC/LHC)
- New experimental data for cross-sections and resonance properties is available (e.g. COSY, GSI-SIS18 pion beam etc)
- Philosophy: Flexible, modular approach condensing knowledge from existing approaches
- **Goal: Baseline calculations with hadronic vacuum properties essential to identify phase transition**



- Hadronic transport approach:
 - Includes all mesons and baryons up to ~ 2 GeV
 - Geometric collision criterion
 - Binary interactions: Inelastic collisions through resonance/string excitation and decay
 - Infrastructure: C++, Git, Redmine, Doxygen, (ROOT)

J. Weil et al, PRC 94 (2016)



* Simulating Many Accelerated Strongly-Interacting Hadrons

Degrees of Freedom

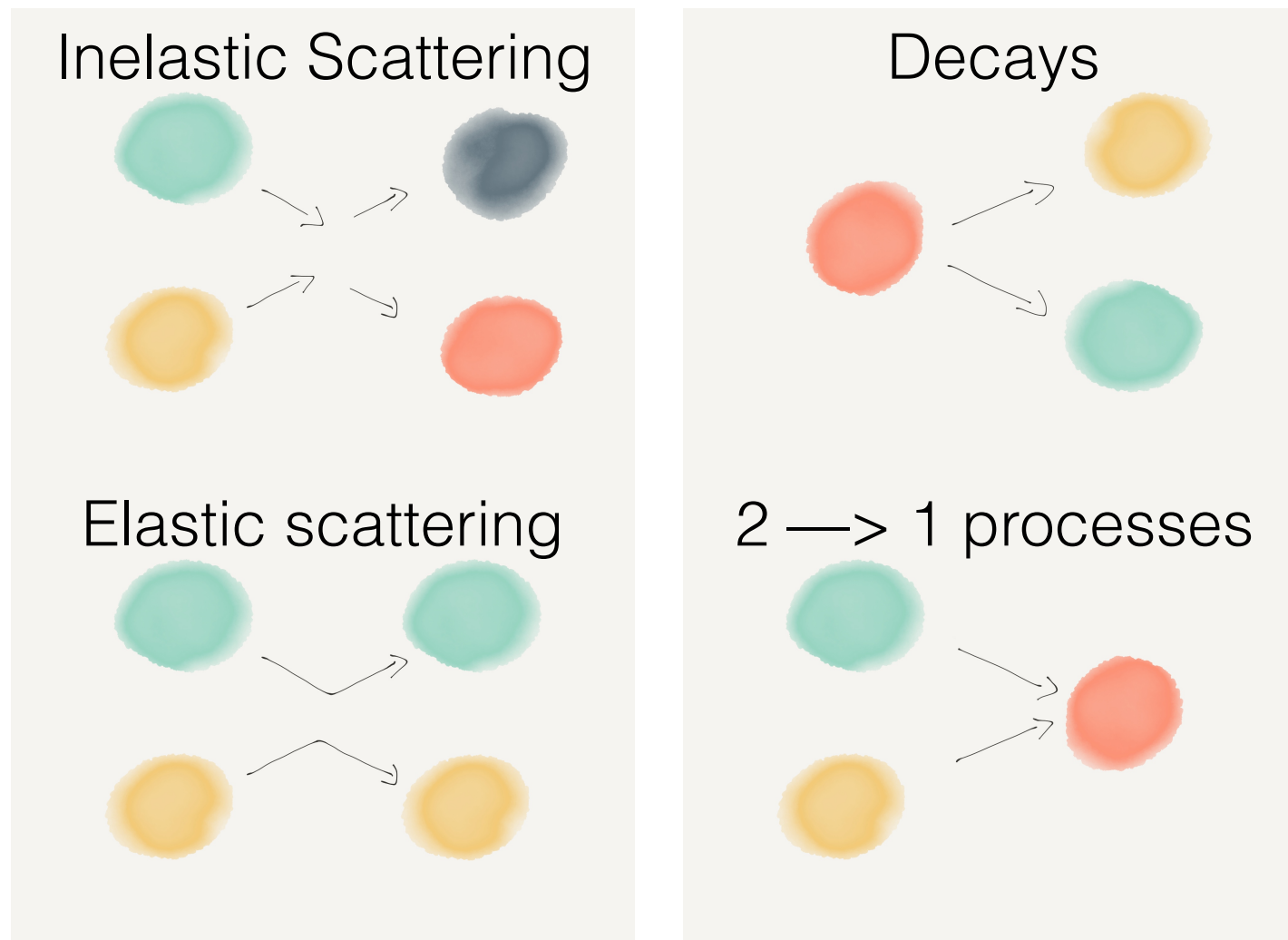
- Easily configurable by human-readable input files

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N ₂₂₅₀						ω_{783}				
						ω_{1420}		$\omega_{3\ 1670}$		
						ω_{1650}				

- Isospin symmetry
- Perturbative treatment of non-hadronic particles (photons, dileptons)

Collision Term

- In few GeV energy regime decay and excitation of resonances dominate hadronic cross section



- There are many (thousands) of unknown parameters that are hardly constrained by experimental data

Strangeness Production

K^+ production ($Y \in \{\Lambda, \Sigma\}$):

$$NN \rightarrow NN^*/\Delta^* \rightarrow NYK$$

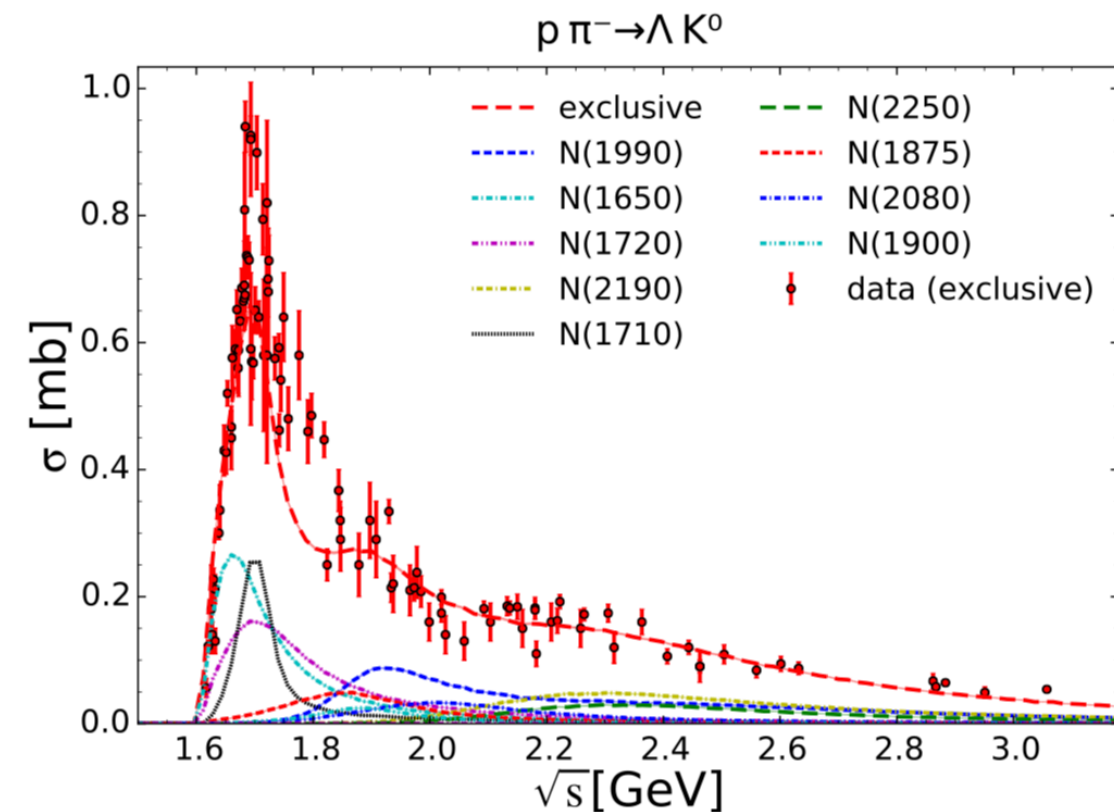
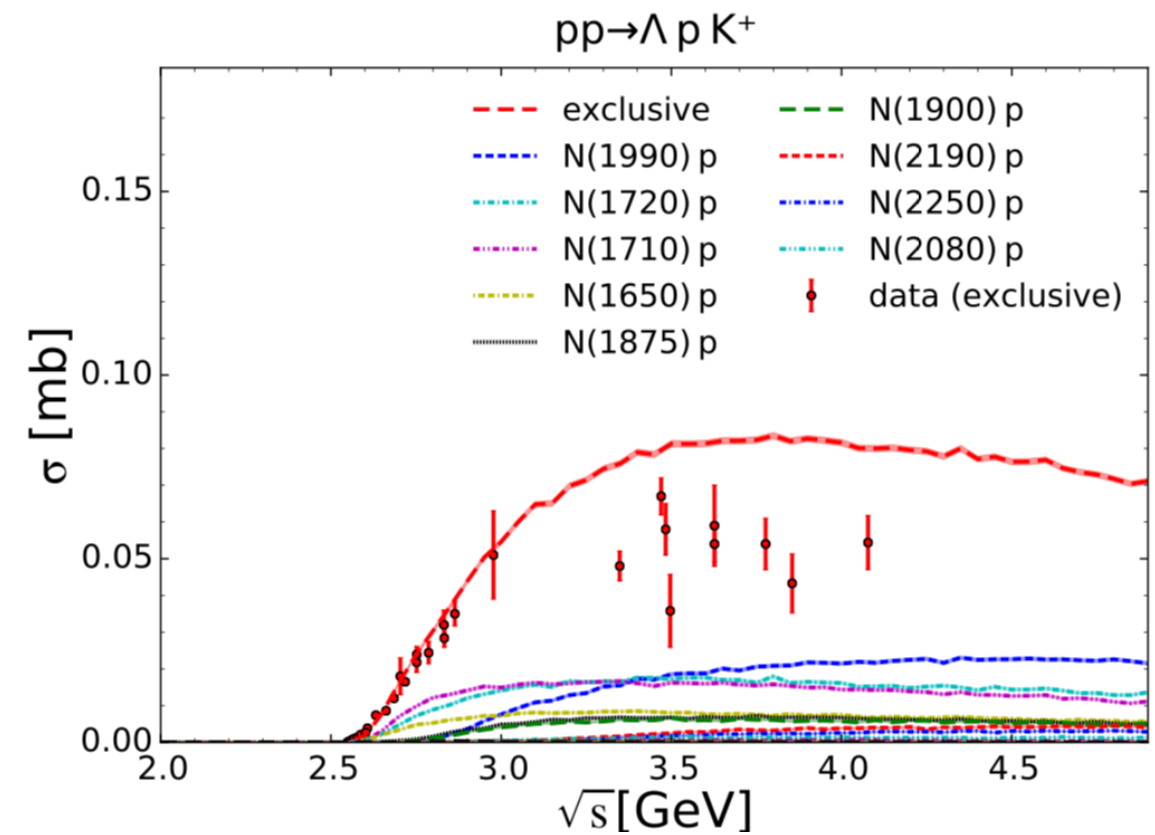
K^- production:

$$NN \rightarrow N^*/\Delta^* \dots \rightarrow Y \dots \rightarrow Y^* \dots \rightarrow \bar{K} \dots$$

$$\pi Y \leftrightarrow \bar{K} N$$

resonance	branching ratio $N^* \rightarrow \Lambda K$		
	PDG	HADES	SMASH
$N(1650)$	5 – 15%	$7 \pm 4\%$	4%
$N(1710)$	5 – 25%	$15 \pm 10\%$	13%
$N(1720)$	4 – 5%	$8 \pm 7\%$	5%
$N(1875)$	> 0	$4 \pm 2\%$	2%
$N(1880)$		$2 \pm 1\%$	
$N(1895)$		$18 \pm 5\%$	
$N(1900)$	2 – 20%	$5 \pm 5\%$	2%
$N(1990)$			2%
$N(2080)$			0.5%
$N(2190)$	0.2 – 0.8%		0.8%
$N(2220)$			0
$N(2250)$			0.5%

- Find best fit ,by eye‘ is tedious and complicated



Idea #1: Bayesian Techniques

- Experimental data: 20-30 exclusive strangeness production cross-sections
- Parameters: ~10 branching ratios of nucleon resonances (other channels will be rescaled)
 - Definition of prior by requiring to fulfill PDG constraints and/or other observables like pion production
- Issues: heterogeneous, old data set
 - Interpretation of error bars, weighting of results?
- Deterministic results of the model -> direct MCMC run without emulator
 - Is 1 minute per step still feasible in a 10-dimensional parameters space?
- Goal: Systematic uncertainty quantification for hyperon and kaon production

Collective Behaviour

- Potentials in SMASH

- Basic Skyrme and symmetry potential

$$U_{\text{Skyrme}} = \alpha(\rho/\rho_0) + \beta(\rho/\rho_0)^\tau \quad U_{\text{Symmetry}} = \pm 2S_{\text{Pot}} \frac{\rho I_3}{\rho_0}$$

- Describes interactions between nucleons, repulsive at high densities

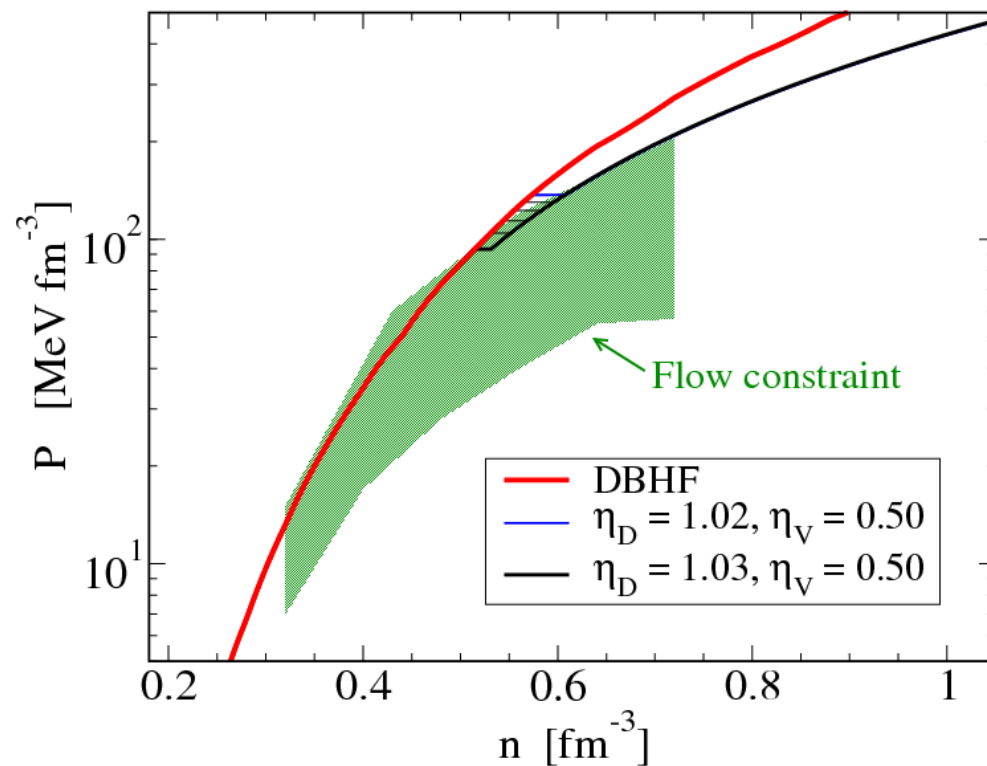
	soft EoS	default EoS	hard EoS
α	−356.0 MeV	−209.2 MeV	−124.0 MeV
β	303.0 MeV	156.4 MeV	71.0 MeV
τ	1.17	1.35	2.00
κ	200 MeV	240 MeV	380 MeV

- Default values according to recent transport code comparison

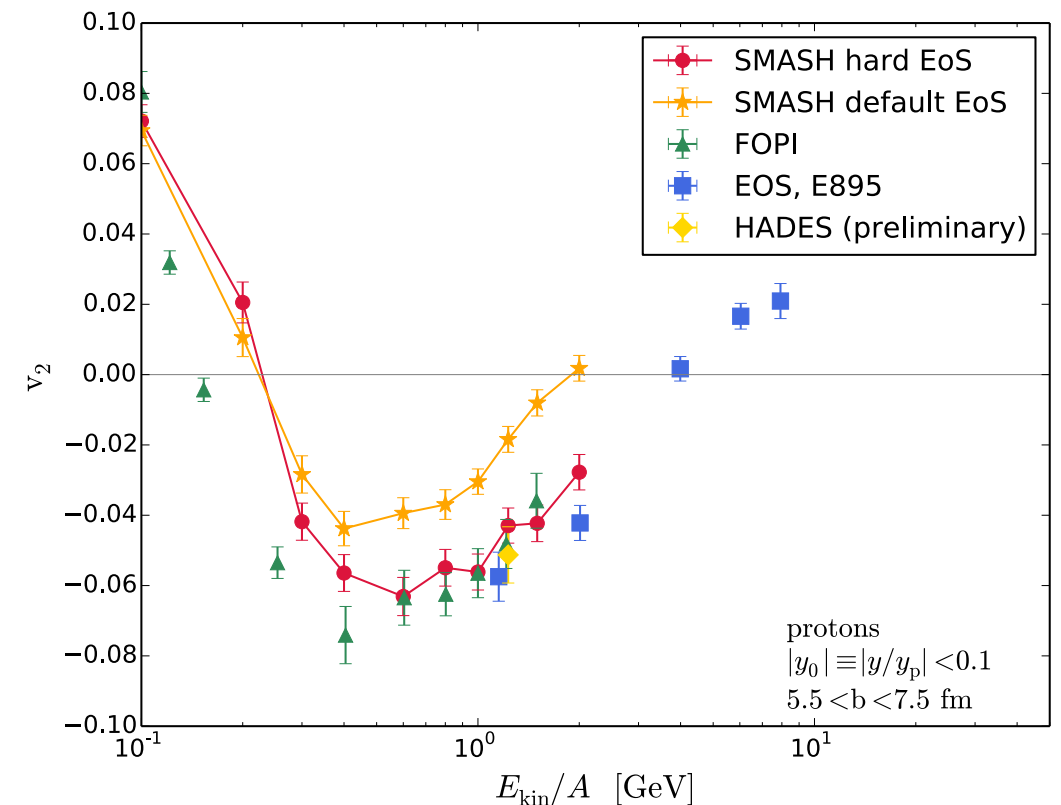
J. Xu et al., PRC 93 (2016)

#2 Nuclear Matter Equation of State

- Measurements on collective flow of different species at different energies and systems are available



by Markus Mayer



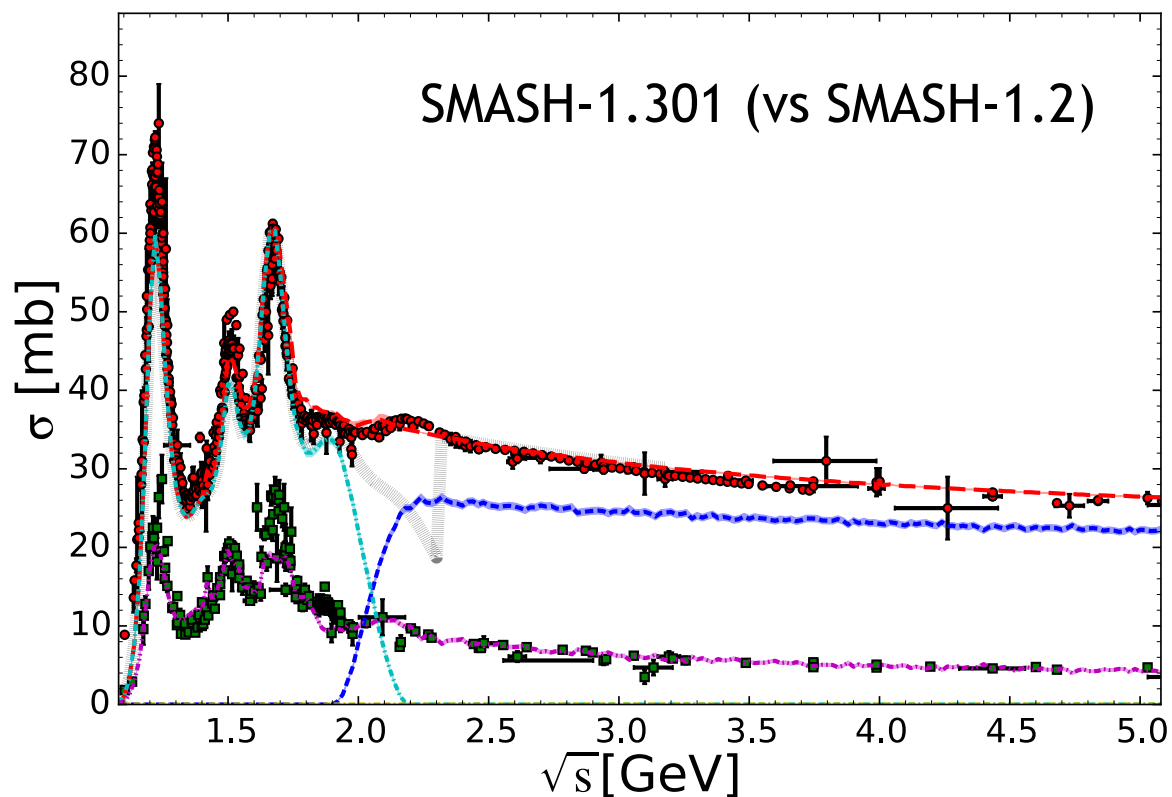
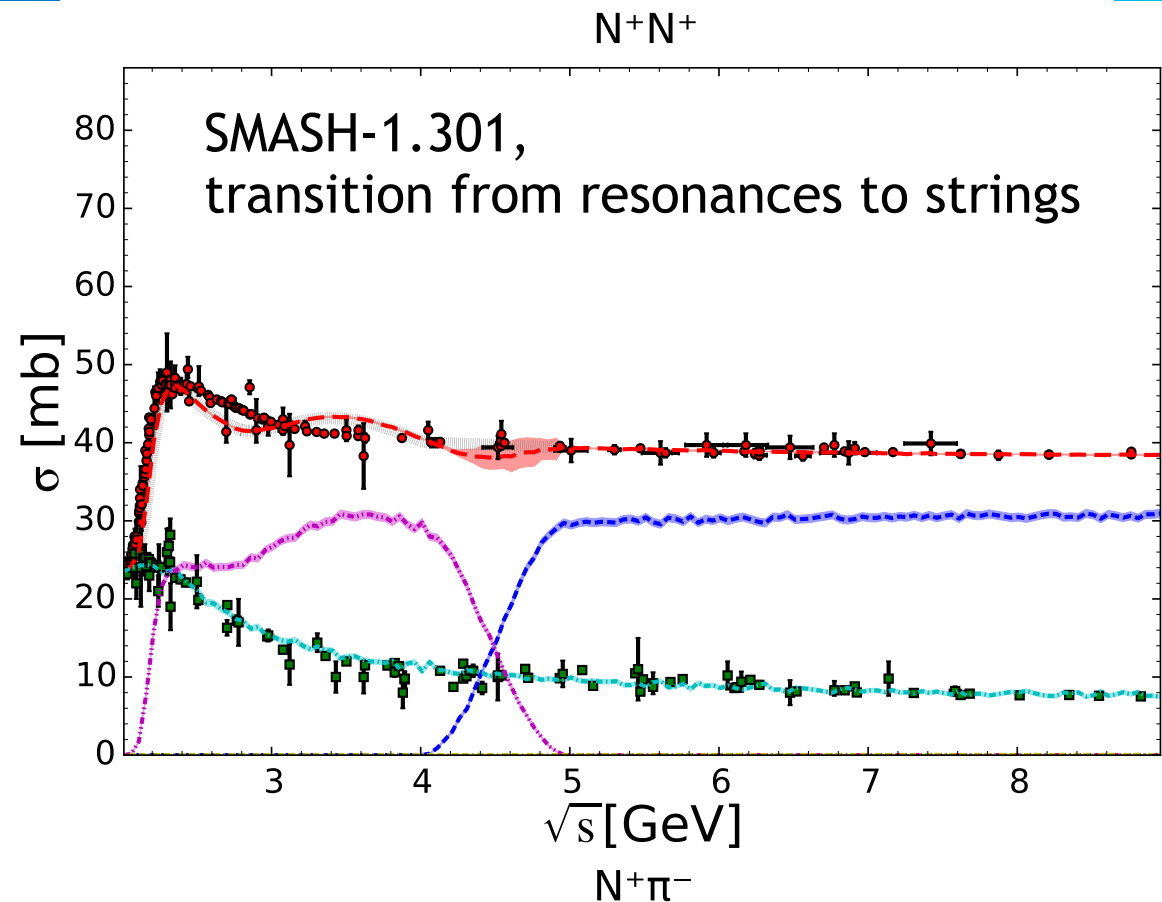
- Plan: Quantify systematic uncertainties by proper Bayesian analysis
- Repeat ‘Danielewicz constraint’ with interplay of resonances and potentials

Summary

- The quark-gluon plasma is produced in high energy heavy-ion reactions
 - Dynamical modeling converges towards a ,standard model' based on relativistic dissipative fluid dynamics and hadronic transport approaches
 - Promising results from first Bayesian analysis are available
- New hadronic transport approach SMASH
 - Applicable at low beam energies and for hadronic rescattering
 - 2 potential applications for Bayesian techniques:
 - Constraining branching ratios for strangeness production
 - Renew „Danielewicz constraint“ for nuclear matter equation of state

Backup

Elementary Cross Sections



- Total cross section for pp/ $p\pi$ collisions
- Parametrized elastic cross section
- Many resonance contributions to inelastic cross section
- Reasonable description of experimental data
- Work in progress: Compare particle production from strings to pp data

J. Mohs and S. Ryu, in progress

Hybrid approaches

Transport



Microscopic description of the whole phase-space distribution

Non-equilibrium evolution based on the Boltzmann equation

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

Partonic or hadronic degrees of freedom

Cross-sections are calculable using different techniques

Phase transition?

Hydrodynamics



Macroscopic description

Local equilibrium is assumed

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

Propagation according to conservation laws

Equation of state is an explicit input

Boundary conditions: Breakdown of equilibrium assumptions?

- Combine the advantages of both approaches
- Successful description from initial to final state

General Setup

- Transport models provide an effective solution of the relativistic Boltzmann equation

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f_i(x, p) + m_i F^\alpha \partial_\alpha^p f_i(x, p) = C_{\text{coll}}^i$$

- Particles represented by Gaussian wave packets
- Geometric collision criterion

$$d_{\text{trans}} < d_{\text{int}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\text{tot}}}{\pi}} \quad d_{\text{trans}}^2 = (\vec{r}_a - \vec{r}_b)^2 - \frac{((\vec{r}_a - \vec{r}_b) \cdot (\vec{p}_a - \vec{p}_b))^2}{(\vec{p}_a - \vec{p}_b)^2}$$

- Test particle method

$$\sigma \mapsto \sigma \cdot N_{\text{test}}^{-1}$$
$$N \mapsto N \cdot N_{\text{test}}$$