

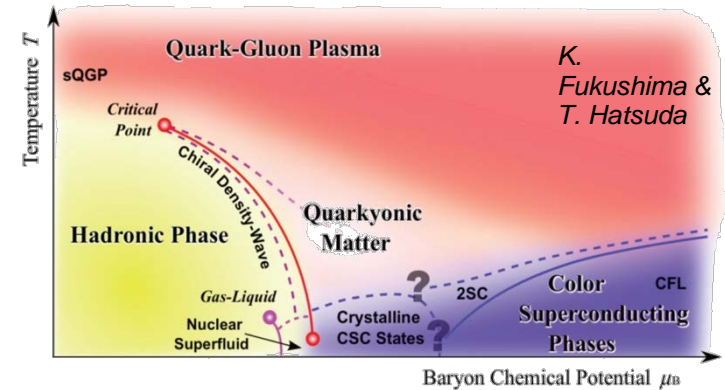
CBM Lecture

Exploring the QCD phase diagram

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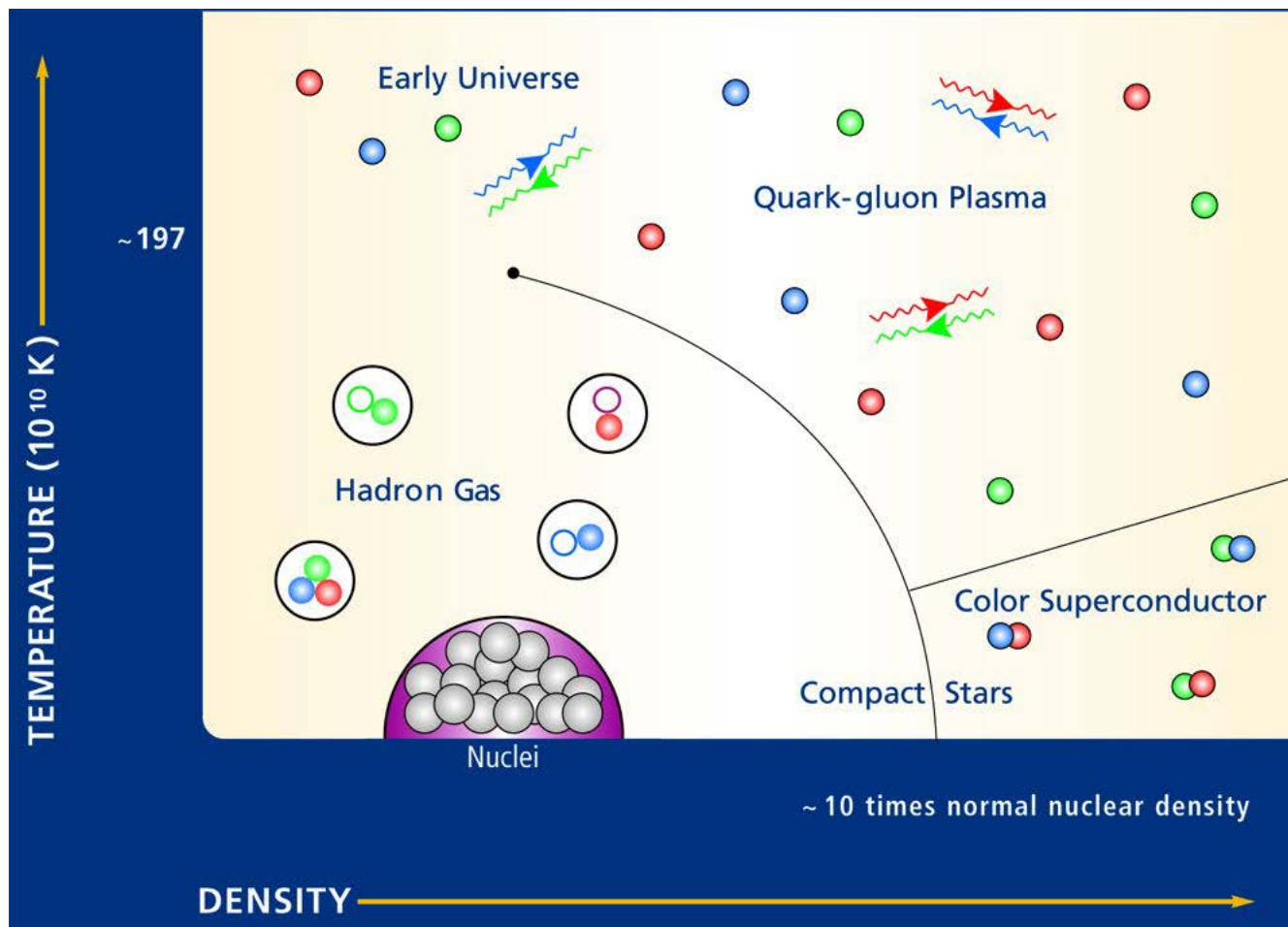


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Late stages of heavy stars
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Nucleus-nucleus collisions at SIS18
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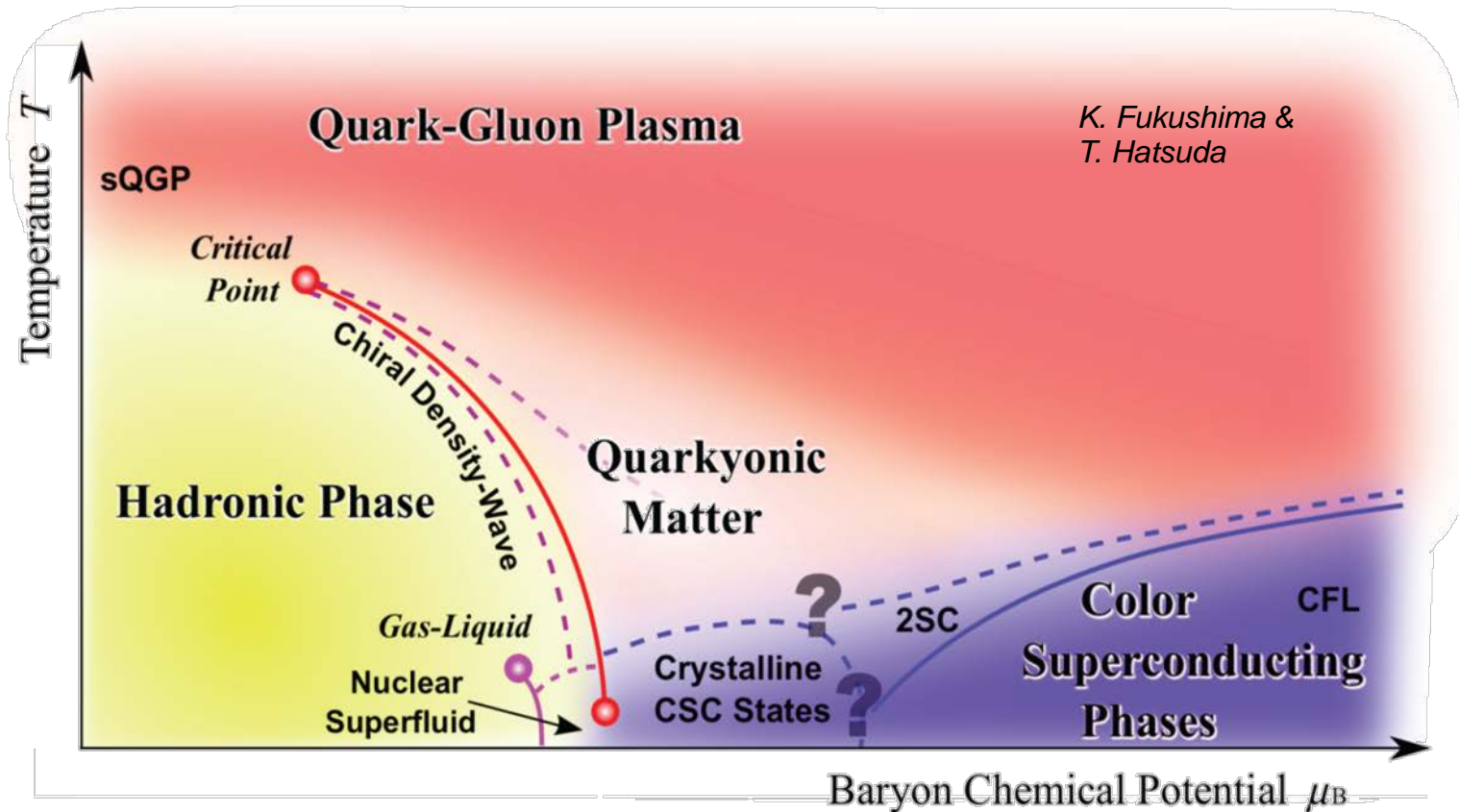
The phase diagram of strongly interacting matter

sketch
shown by Marcus



$$\text{net baryon density} = \frac{1}{V} \frac{1}{3} (n_q - n_{\bar{q}})$$

The phase diagram of strongly interacting matter



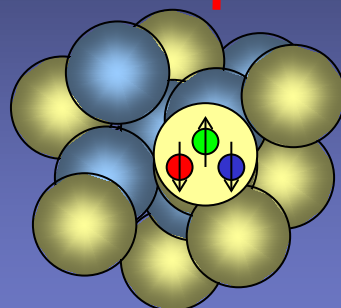
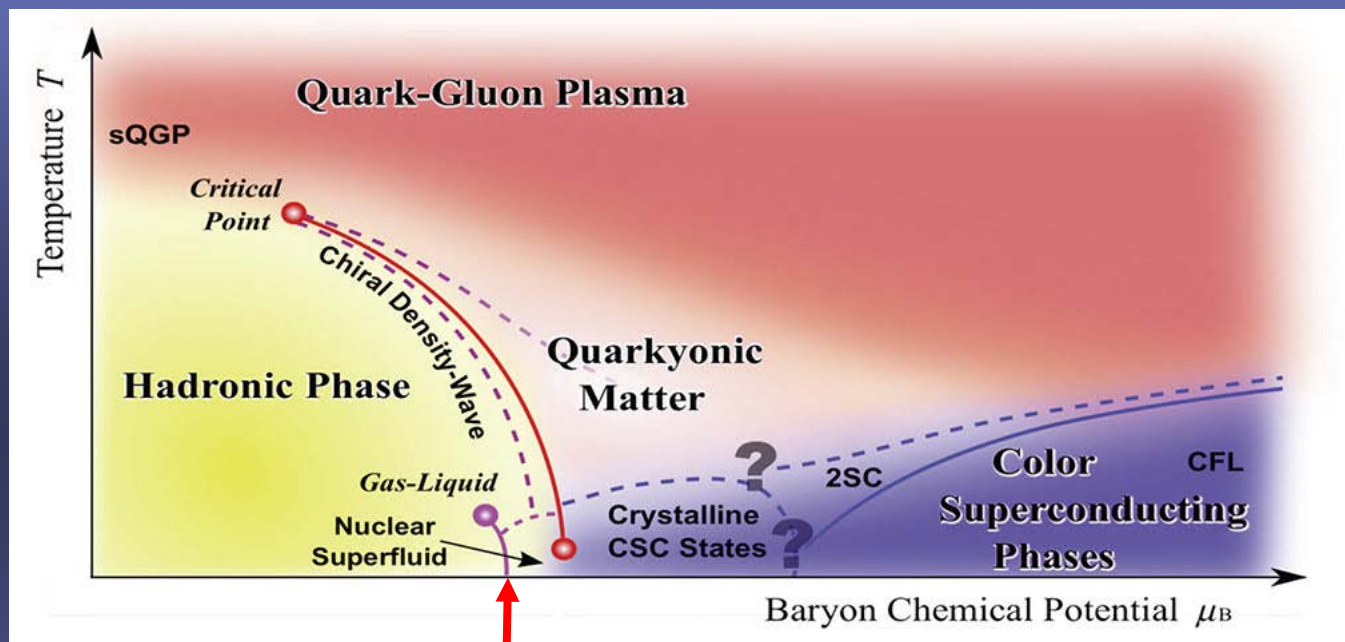
What do we know ?

How to scan the phase diagram in the laboratory ?

→ **nucleus-nucleus collisions at various beam energies !**

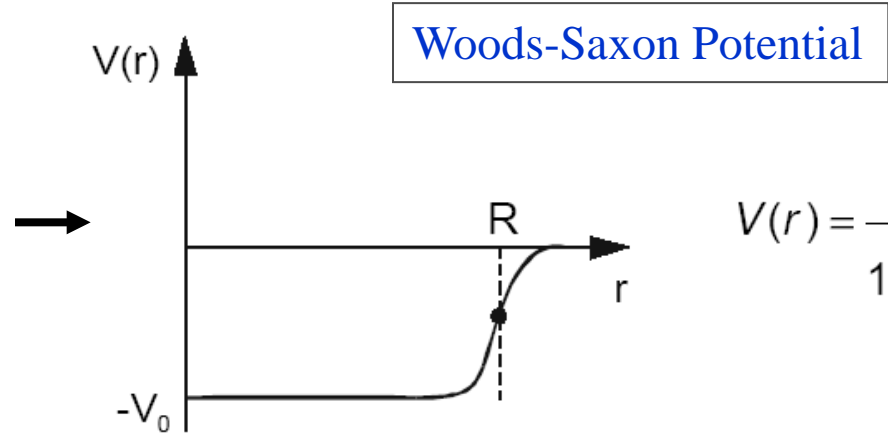
Chapter I

Nuclear Matter at (or close to) ground state



Nuclear matter at ground state: the Nuclear Shell Model

density distribution
of nucleons
inside (heavy) nuclei



$$V(r) = \frac{-V_0}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{r-R}{a}\right)}$$

solving the Schrödinger equation

$$\left\{ \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta + [E - V(r)] \right\} \Psi = 0$$

splitting of shells due to the **spin-orbit coupling** has to be taken into account !

observed magic numbers

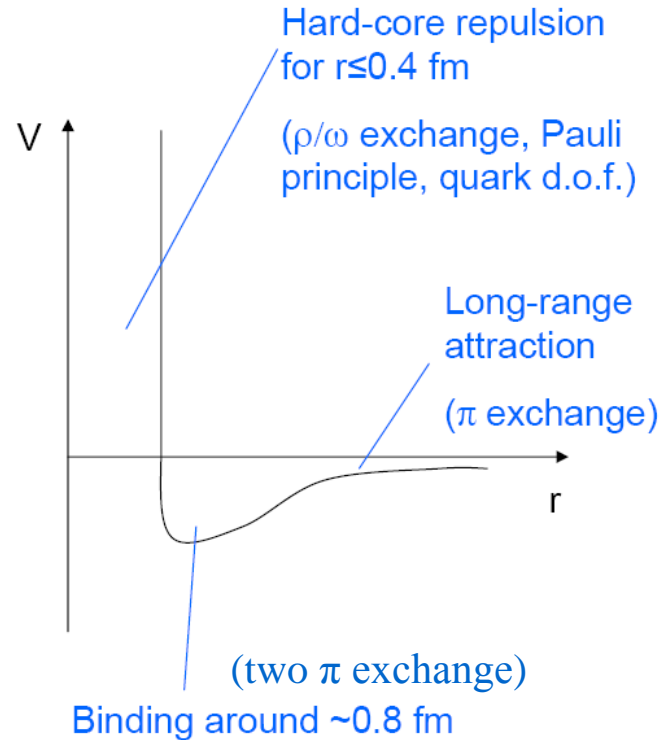
N	2	8	20	28	50	82	126	(184)	(196)
Z	2	8	20	28	50	82	(114)	(164)	

Effective nucleon-nucleon interaction

The meson exchange is a model to describe the effective nucleon-nucleon-interaction

range R of the interaction is determined by the uncertainty principle:

$$R = c\Delta t = \frac{\hbar c}{m_x c^2} = \frac{197 \text{ MeV} \cdot \text{fm}}{m_x c^2}$$



ρ - , ω -meson:

- vector particle $J^P = 1^-$
- $m_{\rho,\omega} \approx 780$ MeV

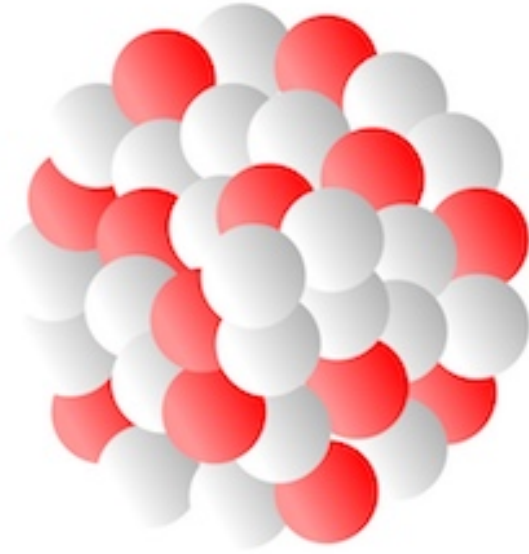
Pion (π -meson):

- pseudo-scalar particle $J^P = 0^-$
- $m_\pi = 140$ MeV

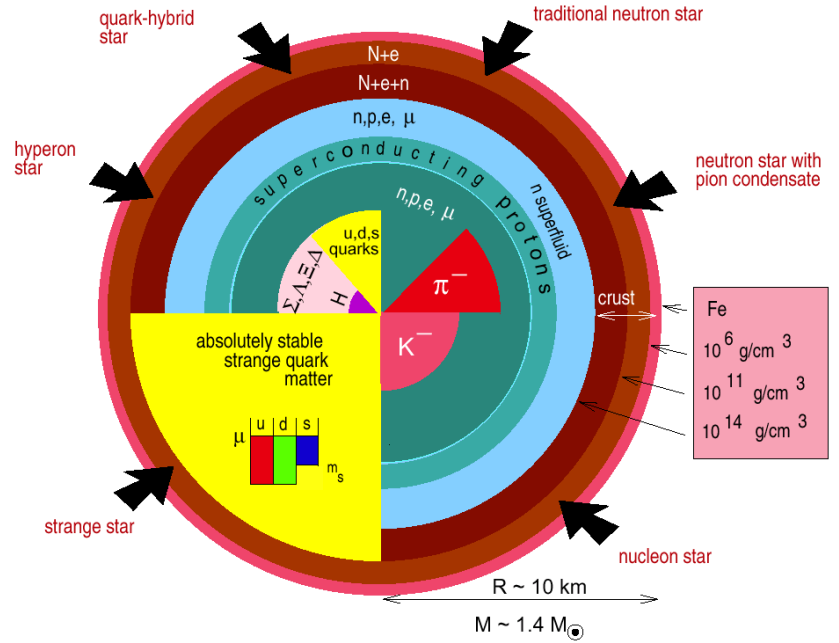
Link to QCD

In QCD one important contribution to the description of the nucleon-nucleon interaction is given by **color neutral quark-antiquark exchange** (sea quarks) which can be understood as a meson exchange between nucleons.

Nucleus



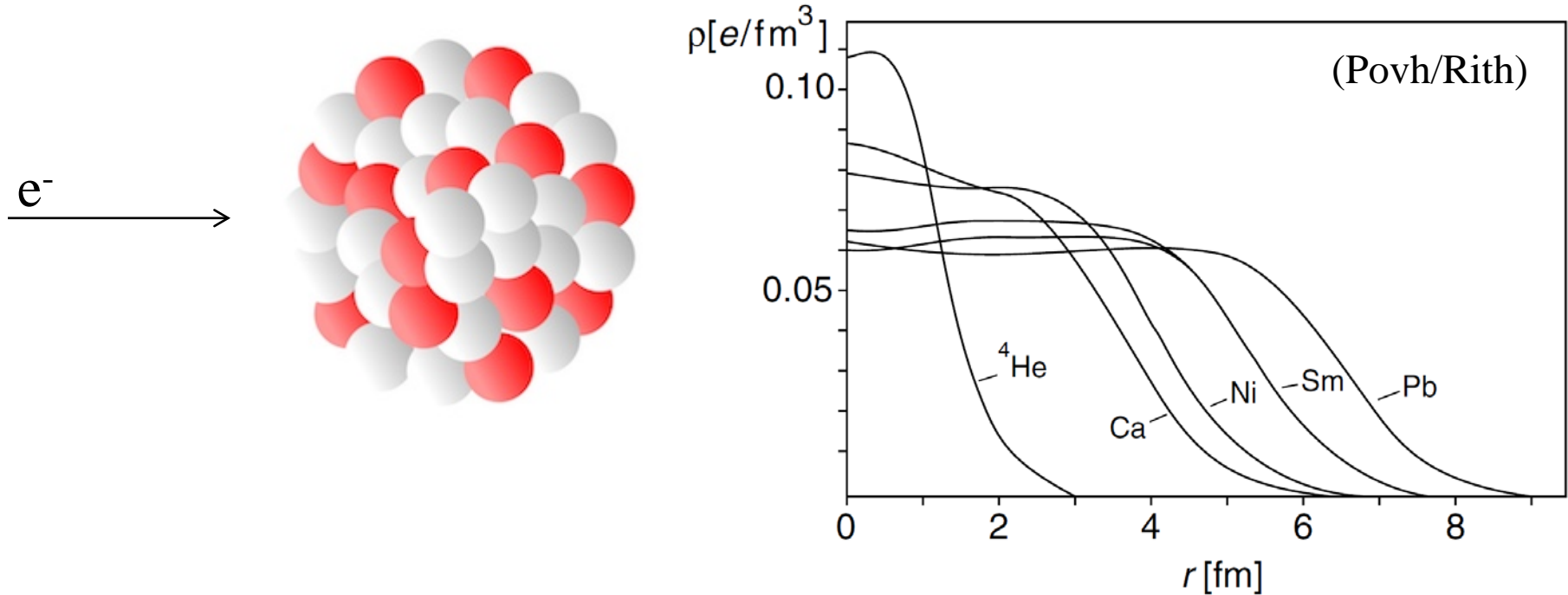
Neutron star



Properties of nuclear matter ?

Nuclear matter at ground state

Charge distribution of nuclei obtained in electron-nucleus scattering



$$\rho_0 = \rho^e(0) \cdot \frac{A}{Z} \quad {}_{82}^{208}\text{Pb} \quad \frac{A}{Z} = 2.53$$

saturation density $\rho_0 \approx 0.15 - 0.17$ nucleons / fm^3

The equation-of-state of nuclear matter

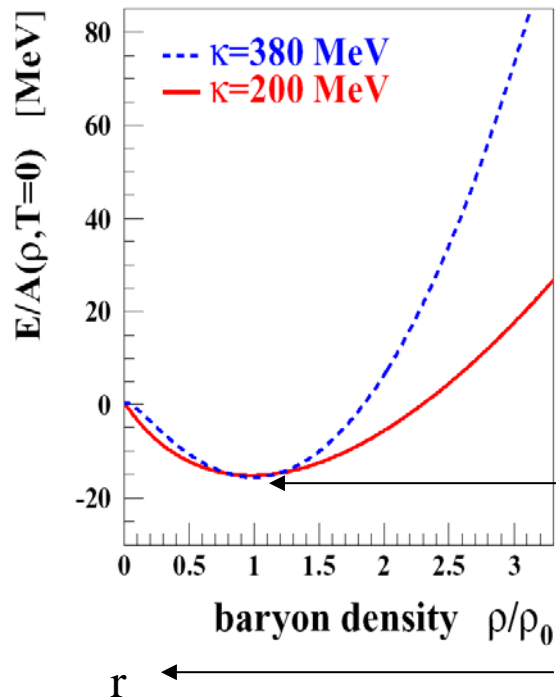
$$\varepsilon(\rho, T) = \varepsilon_T(\rho, T) + \varepsilon_C(\rho, T = 0) + \varepsilon_0$$

($\varepsilon = E / A$) thermal compressional ground state energy

**thermodynamical
concept**

nuclear equation-of-state at $T = 0$: the "compressional" energy

$$E/A(\rho, T = 0) = \frac{1}{\rho} \int U(\rho) d\rho \quad U(\rho): \text{ density dependent local potential}$$



curvature at saturation density:
compression modulus

$$\kappa = \left(9\rho^2 \frac{\partial^2 E/A(\rho, T = 0)}{\partial \rho^2} \right)_{\rho=\rho_0}$$

Example for a nuclear equation-of-state (EoS)

example for an effective NN-Potential (Skyrme type)

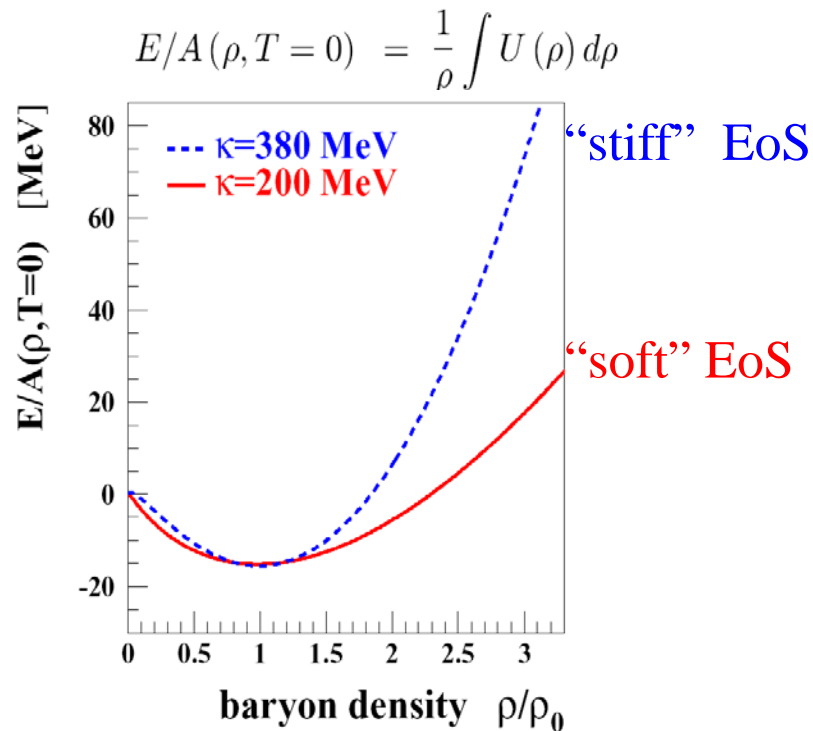
$$U(\rho) = \alpha \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right) + \beta \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right)^\gamma$$

constraints for the parameters of the potential :

$$\varepsilon(\rho = \rho_0, T = 0) = -16 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial \varepsilon(\rho, T = 0)}{\partial \rho} \right)_{\rho = \rho_0} = 0$$

	α [MeV]	β [MeV]	γ
$\kappa = 380 \text{ MeV}$	-124	70.5	2
$\kappa = 200 \text{ MeV}$	-356	303	7/6

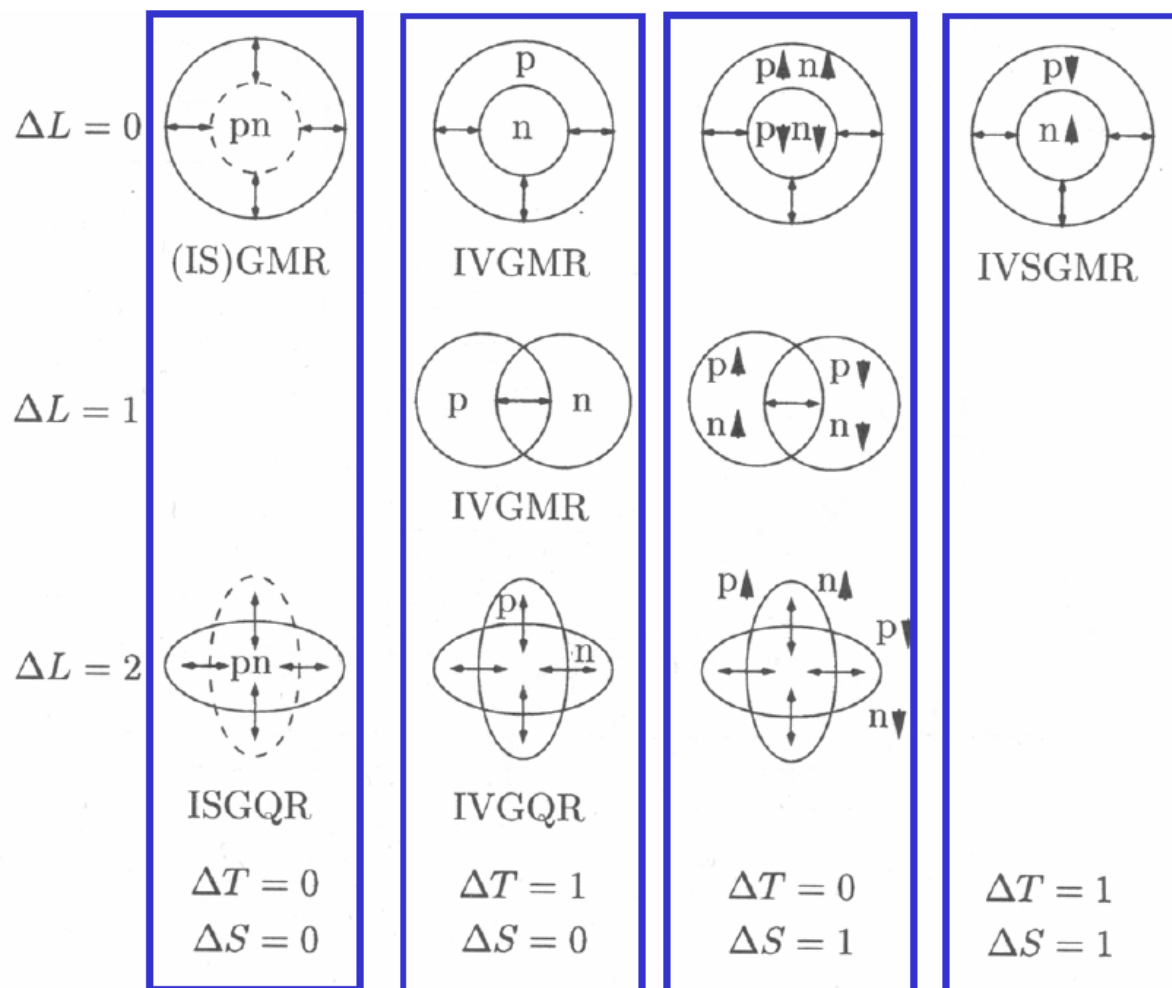


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compression modulus

Nuclear EoS - how to measure ?

Excite collective excitation of nuclei: Giant Resonances



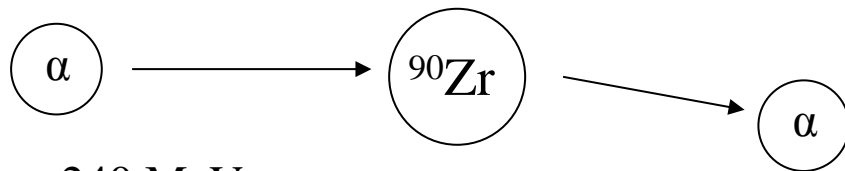
monopole vibration:
"breathing mode" of nuclei

dipole vibration:
"protons and neutrons
oscillate against each other"

quadruple vibrations

Nuclear EoS - how to measure ?

inelastic scattering of α particles on nuclei



$$E_{\text{kin}} = 240 \text{ MeV}$$

energy loss of the α particle: 15 – 25 MeV

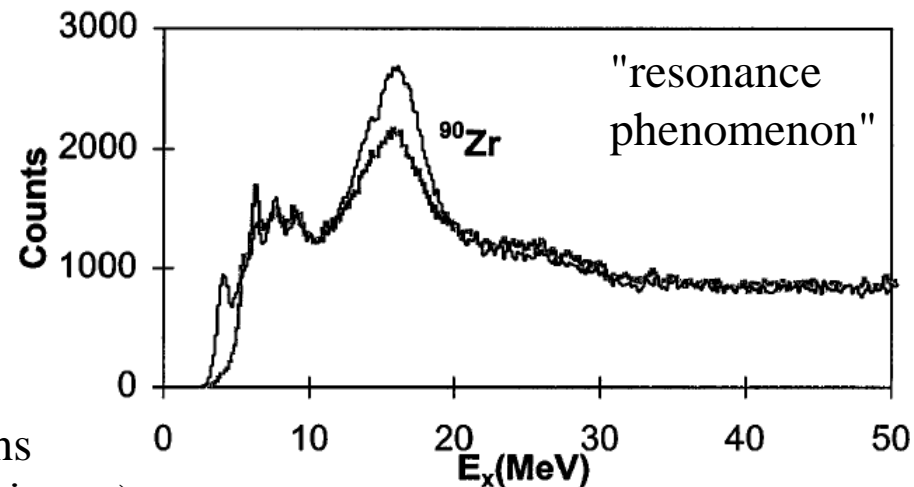
excites slight density oscillations with elongations of about $1/100 - 1/10 \rho_0$ (around saturation density ρ_0).

→ **giant monopole resonance**

measurement:

total energy of outgoing α particle

$$\rightarrow E_x = E_{\text{in}} - E_{\text{out}}$$



Youngblood et al.
Phys. Rev. Lett. 82 (1999)691

From the measured excitation energy distribution E_x :

→ frequency

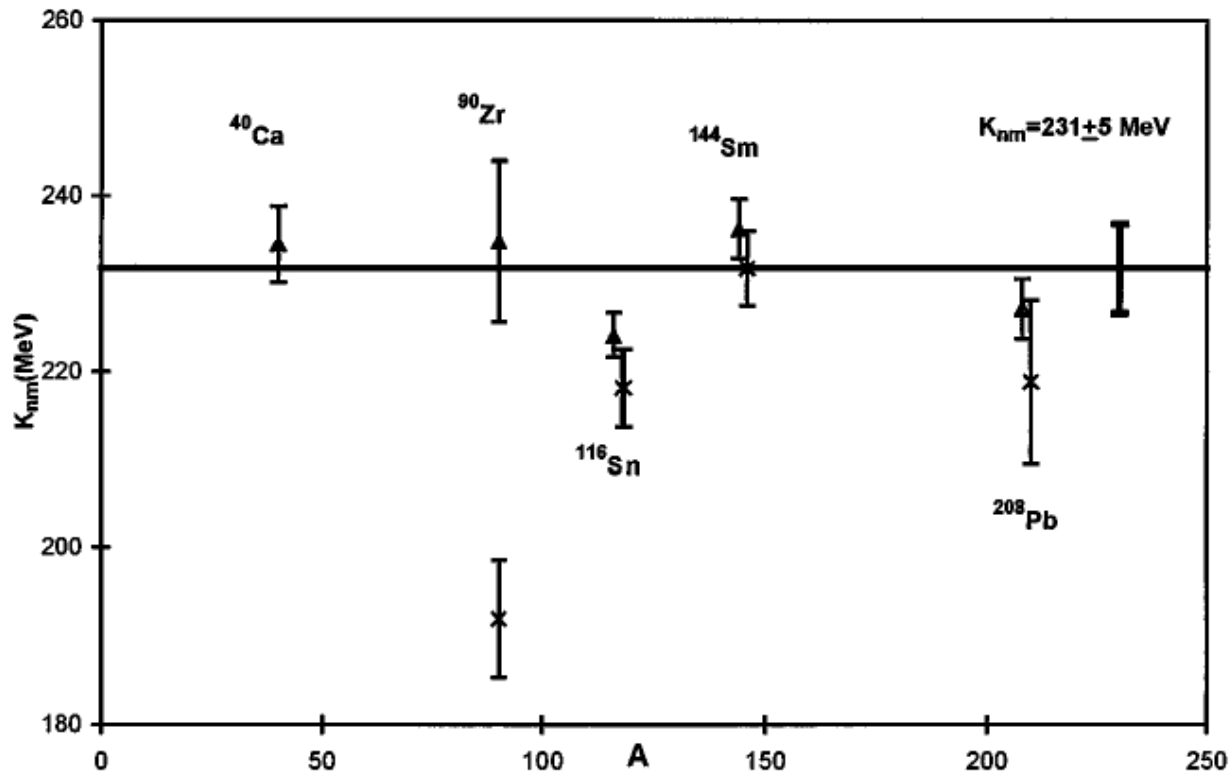
→ restoring force (potential) of the oscillation

→ **"spring constant" $\kappa = \text{compression modulus}$**

The compression modulus κ at saturation density ρ_0

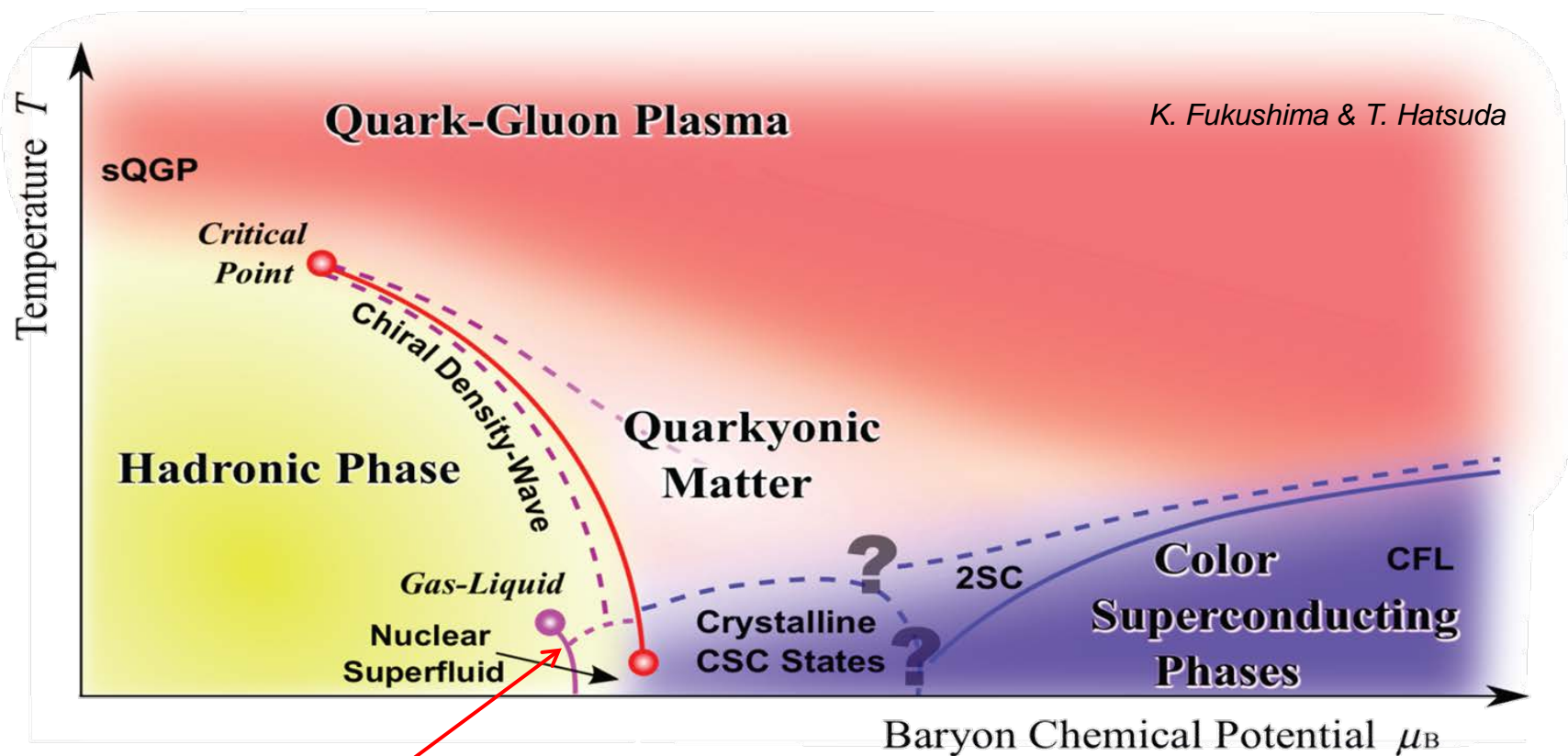
"Excitation of the **Giant Monopole Resonance** by inelastic scattering of α particles on nuclei"

Youngblood et al. , Phys. Rev. Lett. 82 (1999)691



$$\kappa = 231 \pm 5 \text{ MeV}$$

Phases of nuclear matter: the liquid-gas phase transition

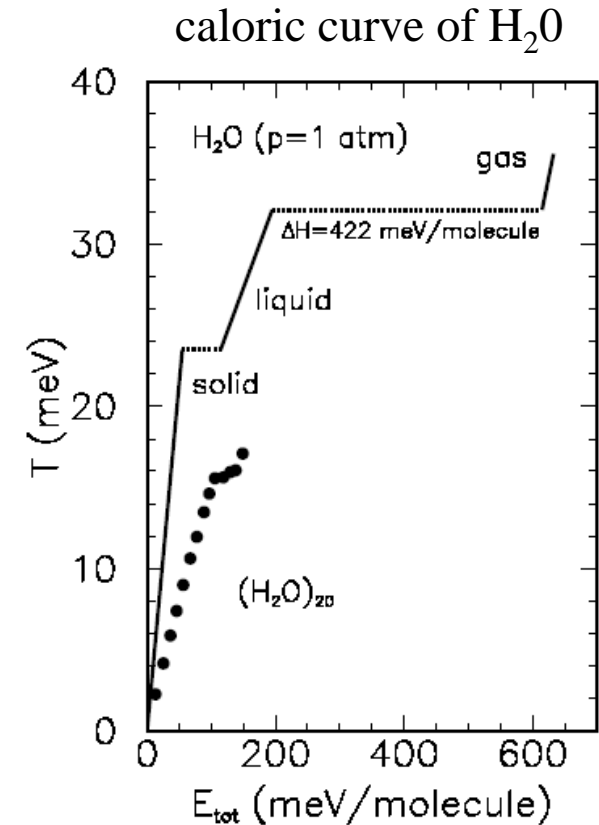
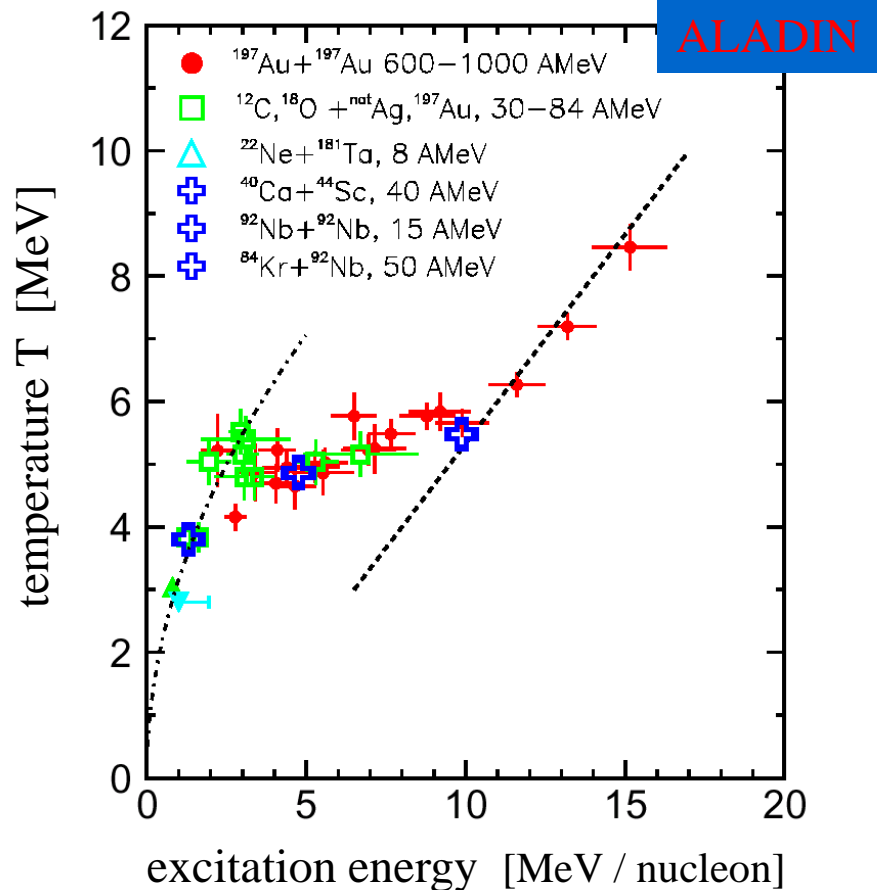


obtained in peripheral nucleus-nucleus collisions
at bombarding energies from 8 – 1000 A MeV

The liquid-gas phase transition

peripheral nucleus-nucleus collisions

- temperature: MB distr. of the decay products
- excitation energy: total energy of **all** particles

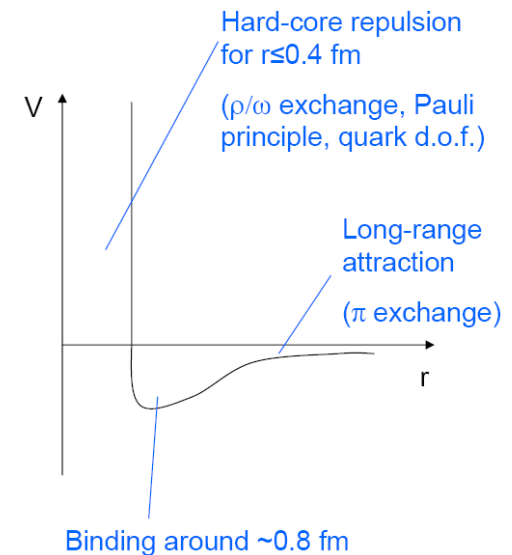


evidence for a
transition from a
liquid to a vapor phase
of nuclear matter

Discuss with your neighbor

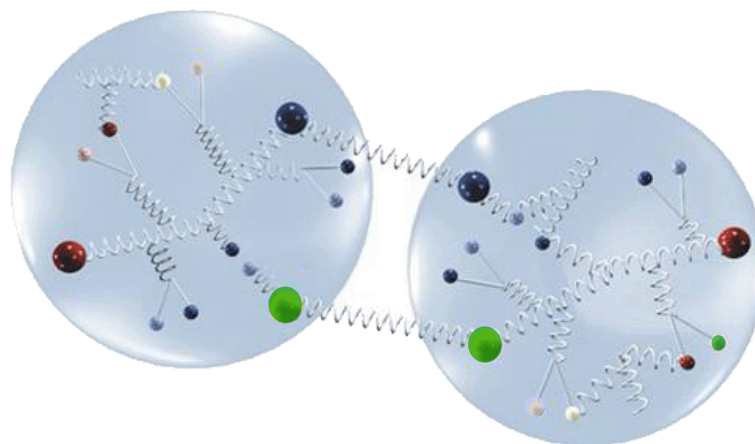
Is there a good argument or even an observation that the strong force has a repulsive component ?

Why using a nuclear shell model or an OBE model (like Yukawa) while the well-known theory of strong interaction is QCD ?



Nuclear matter in ground state – link to QCD ?

The **bonds** between nucleons inside the nucleus are **relatively "weak"**.
The average distance is much larger than the hard core radius of the nucleon.



Nucleons are not localized inside the nucleus - they can move almost free inside the nucleus $\rightarrow p_f = 250 \text{ MeV}/c$.

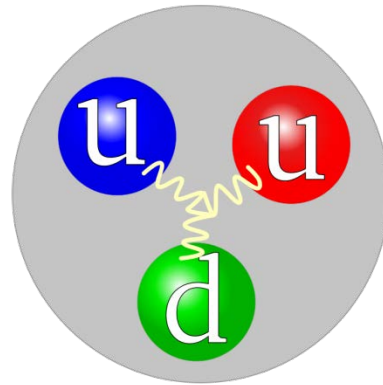
Link to **QCD** ?

Quarks and gluons are **not the relevant degree of freedom** (in this energy regime).
The largest fraction of the interaction strength is **shielded** because quarks and gluons are bound to **color-neutral hadrons**.

... since we know that hadrons are composite objects ...

mass of hadrons ?

Proton

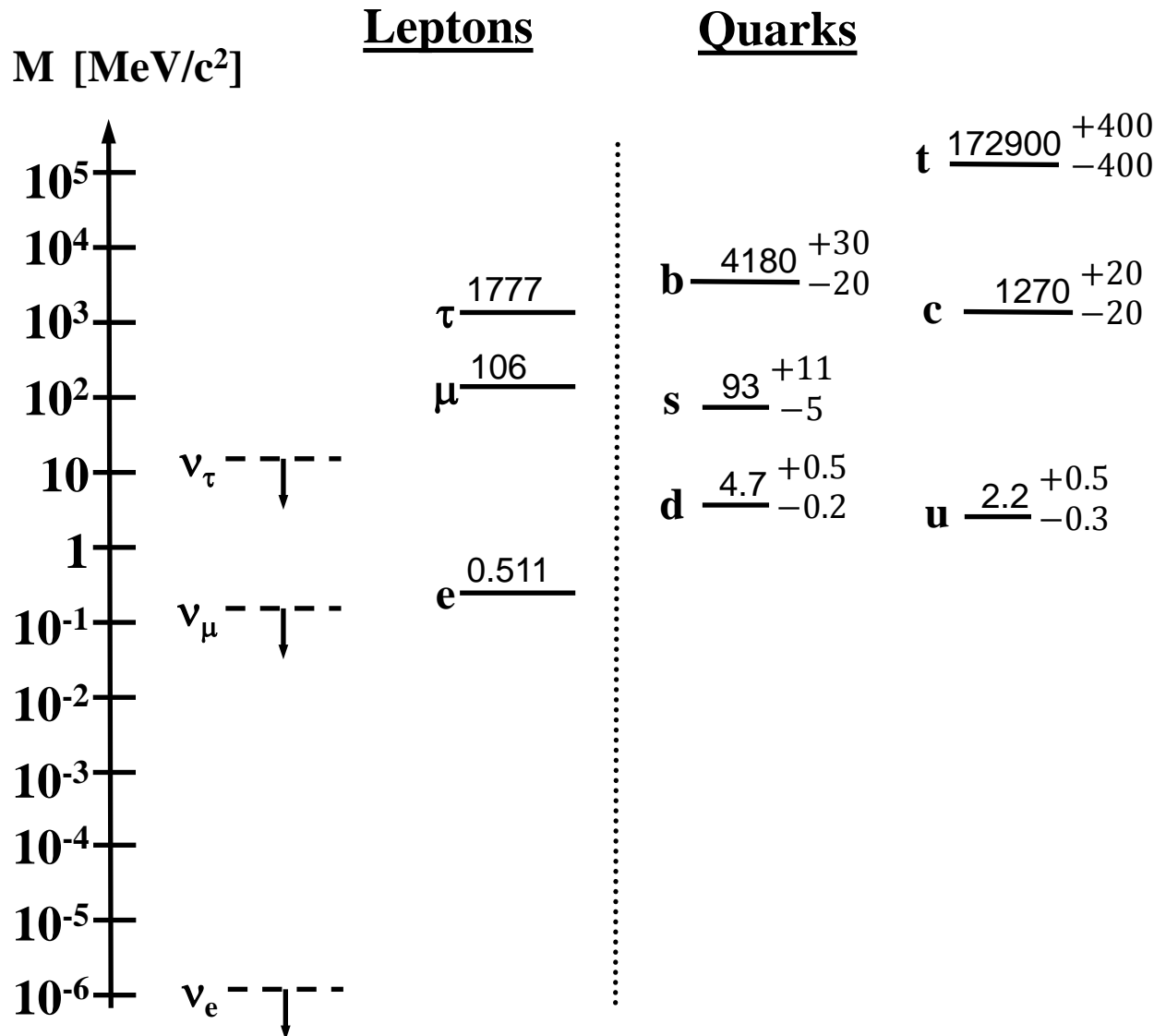


mass **not** determined
by the sum of current quark masses !!!

Masses of elementary particles

PDG PHYSICAL REVIEW D 98, 030001 (2018)

“mass” means:
current mass = weak mass

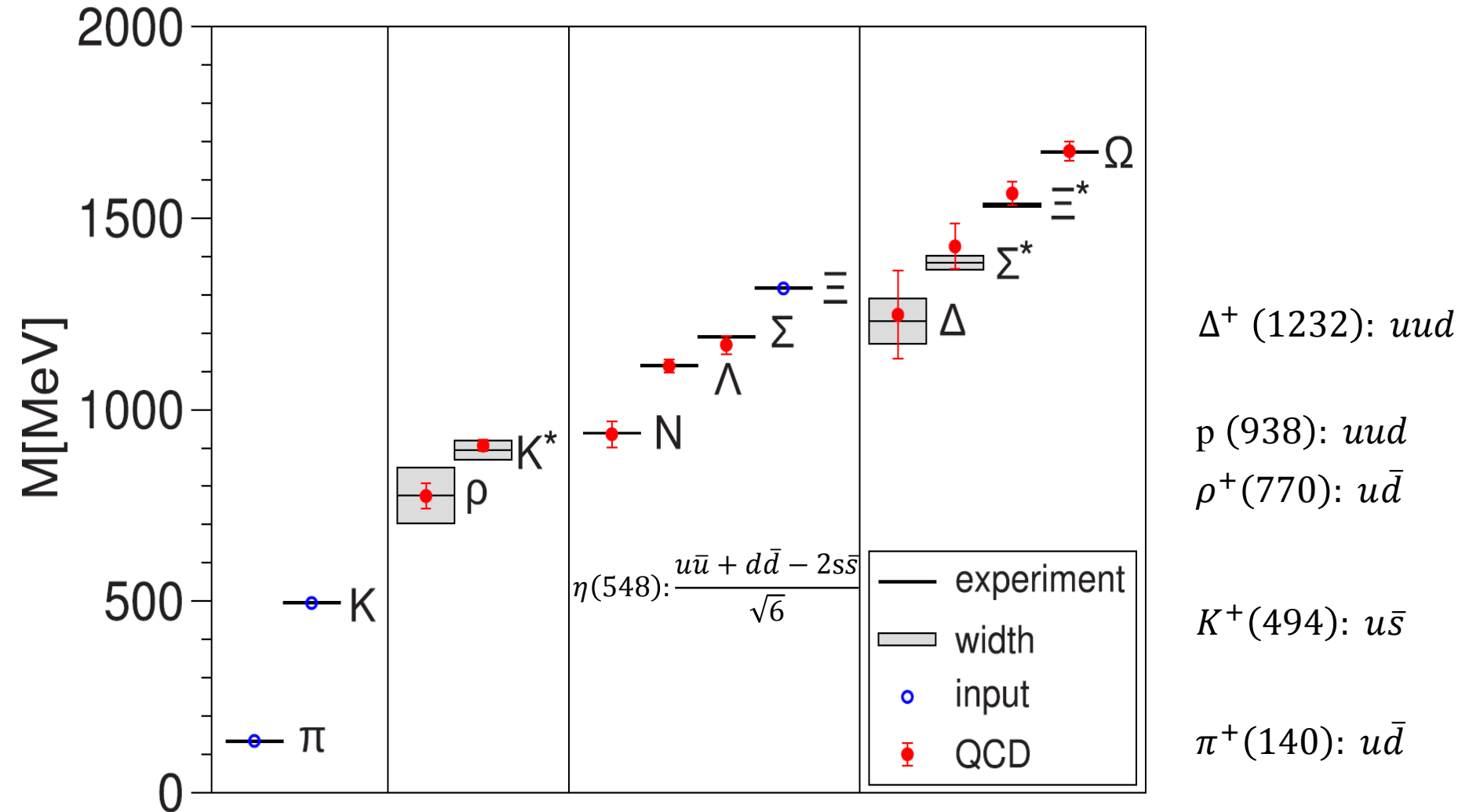


Observation: the hadronic mass spectrum

Lattice QCD

S. Dürr et al., Science 322, 1224 (2008)

Ab Initio Determination of Light Hadron Masses



Observation: broken chiral symmetry

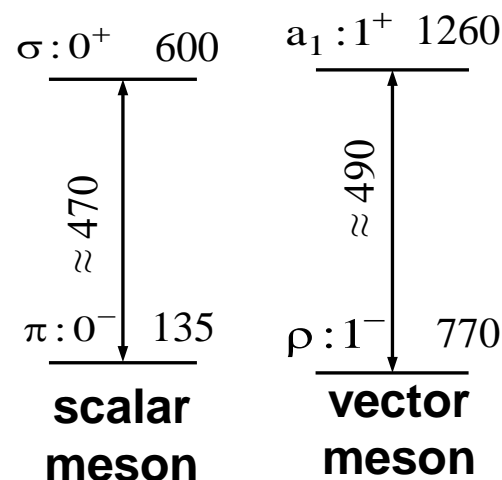
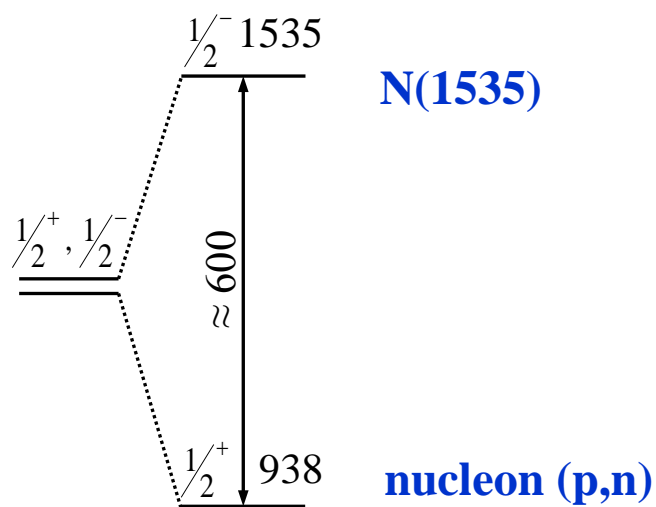
The QCD Lagrangian is **chirally symmetric**

“chiral” partners: same spin but opposite parity
should degenerate in mass

$p, n \leftrightarrow N(1535)$ (baryons)

or

$\pi \leftrightarrow \sigma$ (mesons)



but in "nature" chiral symmetry is **obviously broken!**

Mass split is large, comparable to hadron masses

Broken chiral symmetry

Aspects of Chiral Symmetry
Volker Koch, BNL
arXiv:nucl-th/9706075v2

Consequence* of the spontaneous breakdown of a symmetry:
existence of a massless mode – the Goldstone-boson

* Goldstone's
theorem

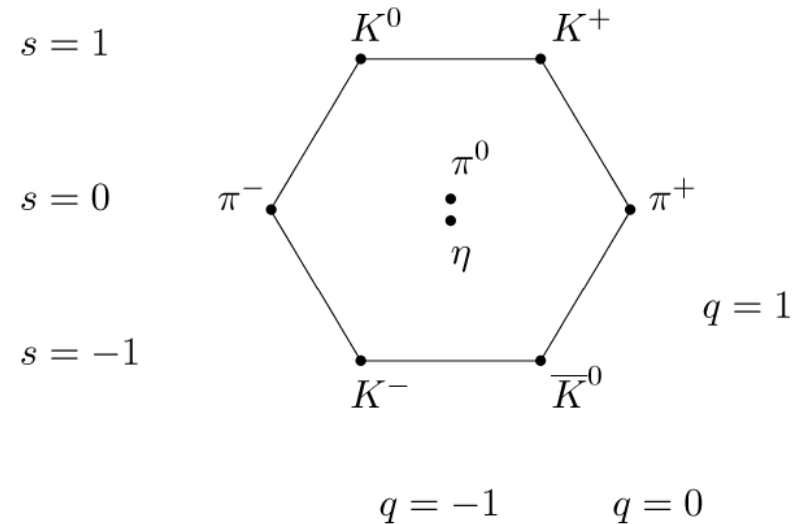
In QCD: Pion

(1) If chiral symmetry would be a perfect symmetry of QCD
→ Pion massless

(2) **But chiral symmetry is only an approximate symmetry of QCD**
→ Pion should have a finite but small mass

$$SU(2): \pi^0, \pi^+, \pi^-$$

$$SU(3): \pi^0, \pi^+, \pi^-, K^0, \bar{K}^0, K^+, K^-, \eta$$



explicitly broken

by small but finite quark masses

and

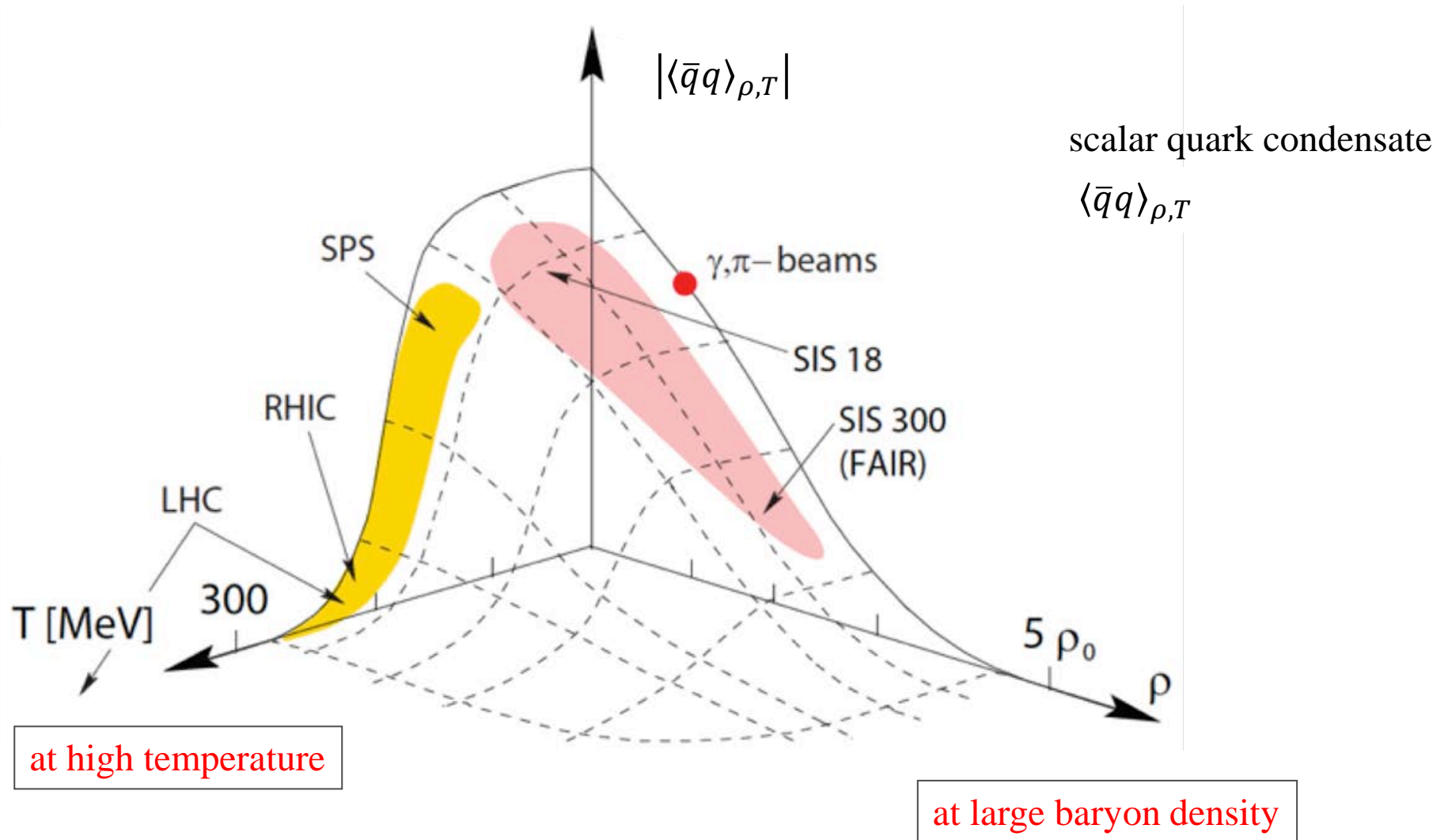
spontaneously broken

due to the existence of a massless mode (Goldstone-boson*)

* Nambu-Goldstone boson

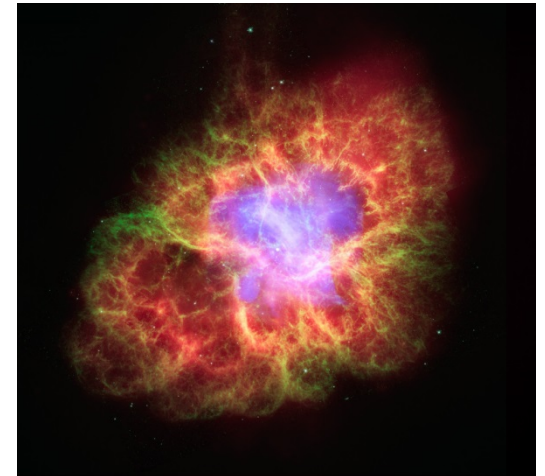
Consequence: chiral symmetry can be restored

According to theoretical predictions (i.e. by Lattice QCD)
chiral symmetry can be (partially) restored $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle_{\rho,T} \rightarrow 0$

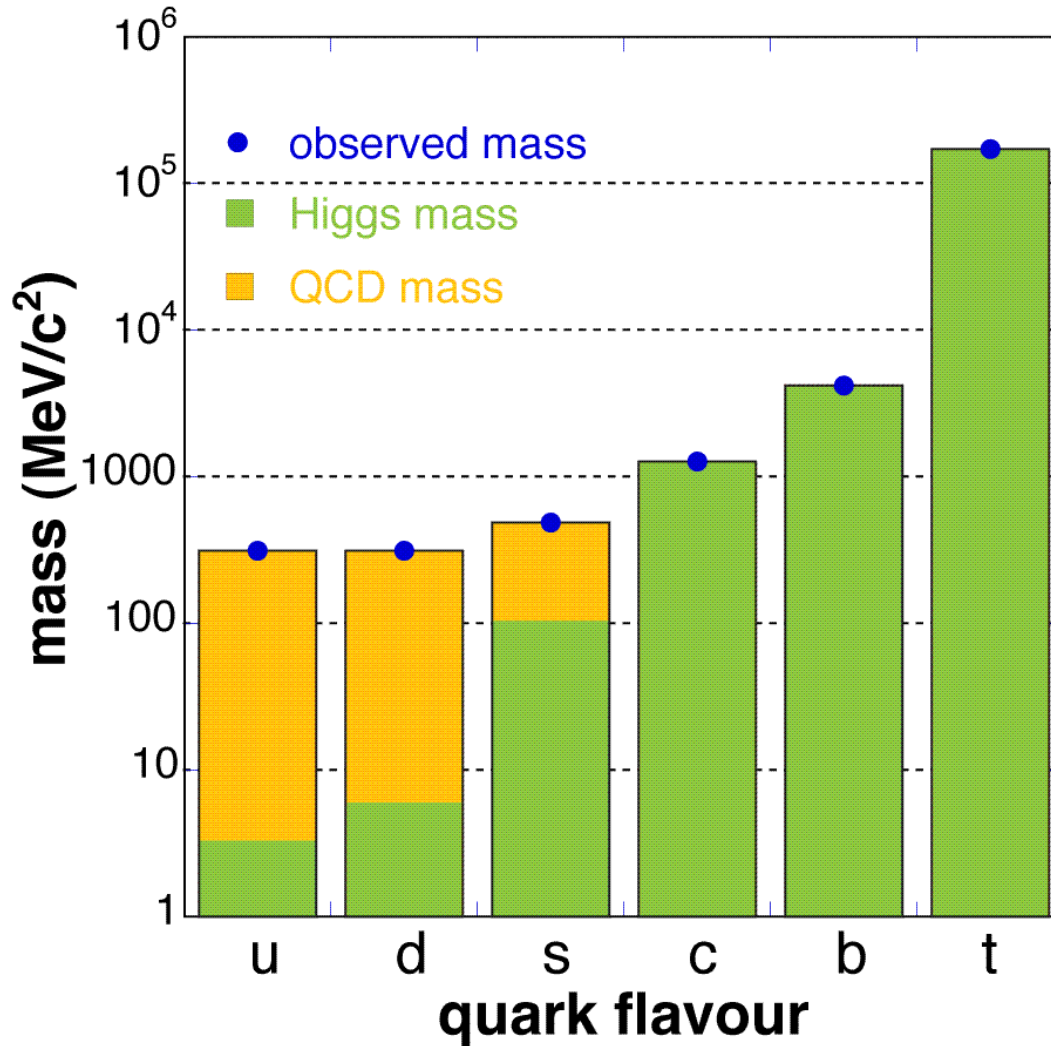


Discuss with your neighbor

What generates the mass of the visible universe ?



The strong interaction and the origin of hadron masses

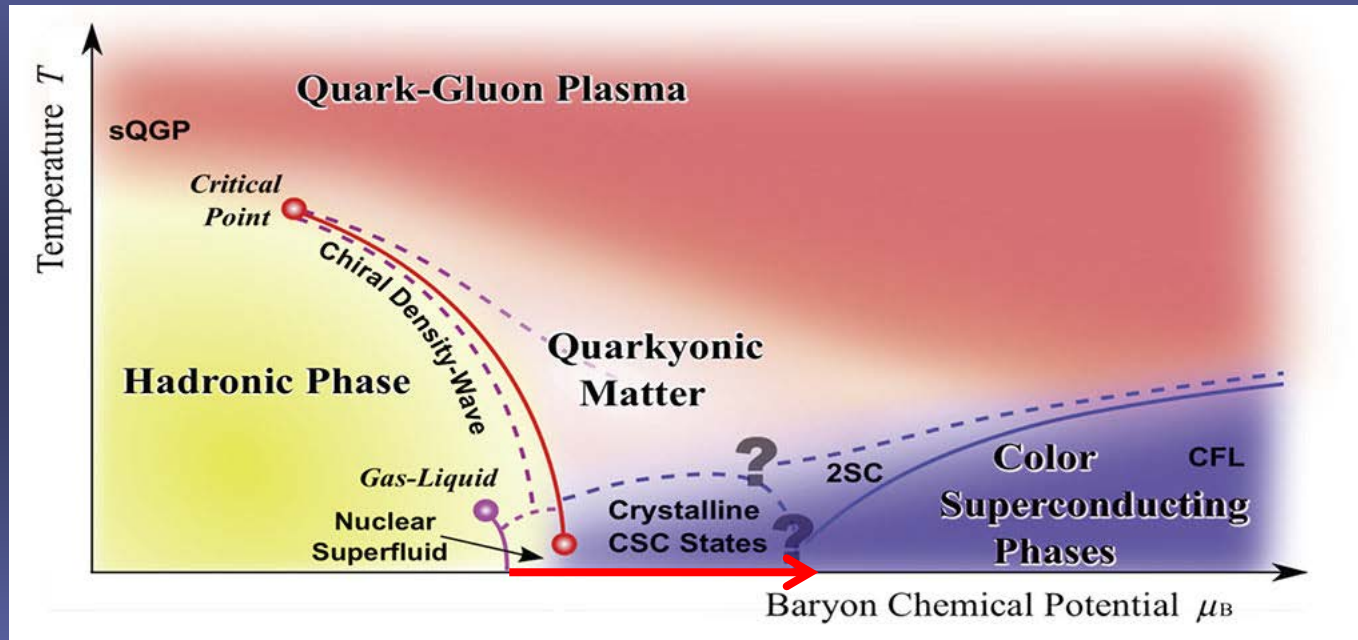


not valid
for the light
pseudo-scalar mesons
 π , η and K

Chapter II

Compressed nuclear matter in the universe

Late stages of heavy stars



$$T \approx 0, \rho \rightarrow 5-10 \rho_0$$

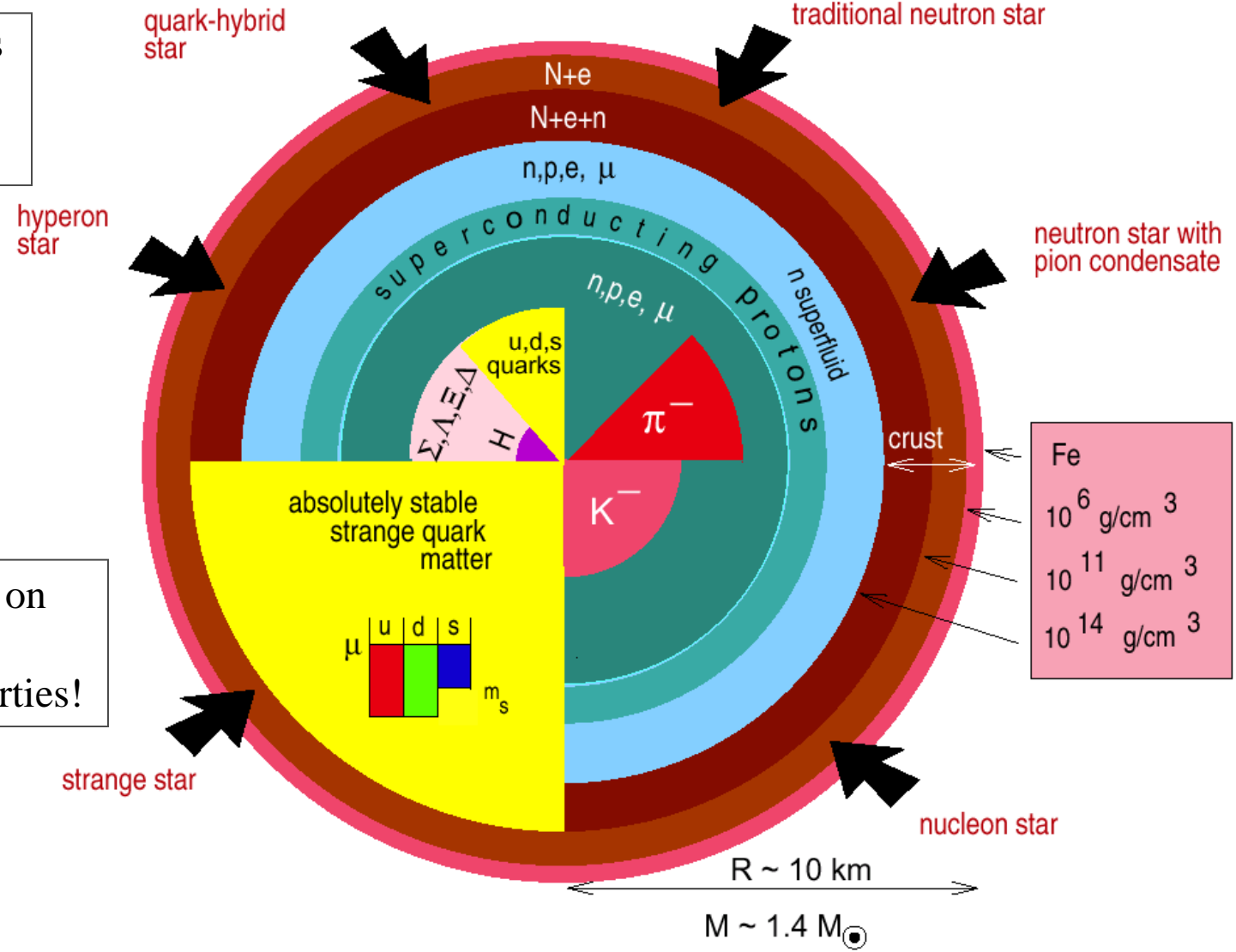
→ Lecture by Jürgen Schaffner-Bielich, Monday, 11:00

Composition of a neutron star

F. Weber,
J.Phys. G27 (2001) 465

Each arrow indicates a different model for the neutron star.

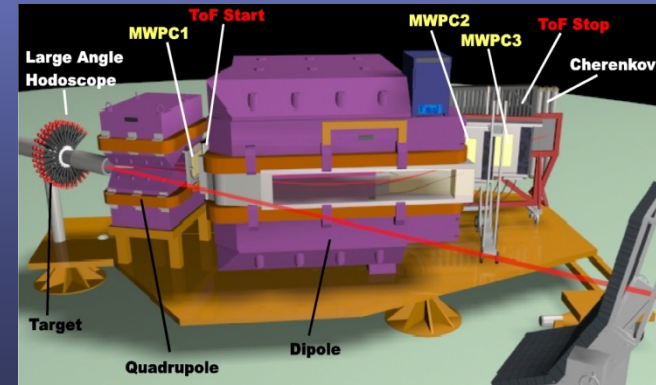
Each model is based on assumptions on nuclear matter properties!



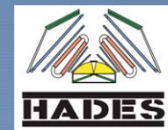
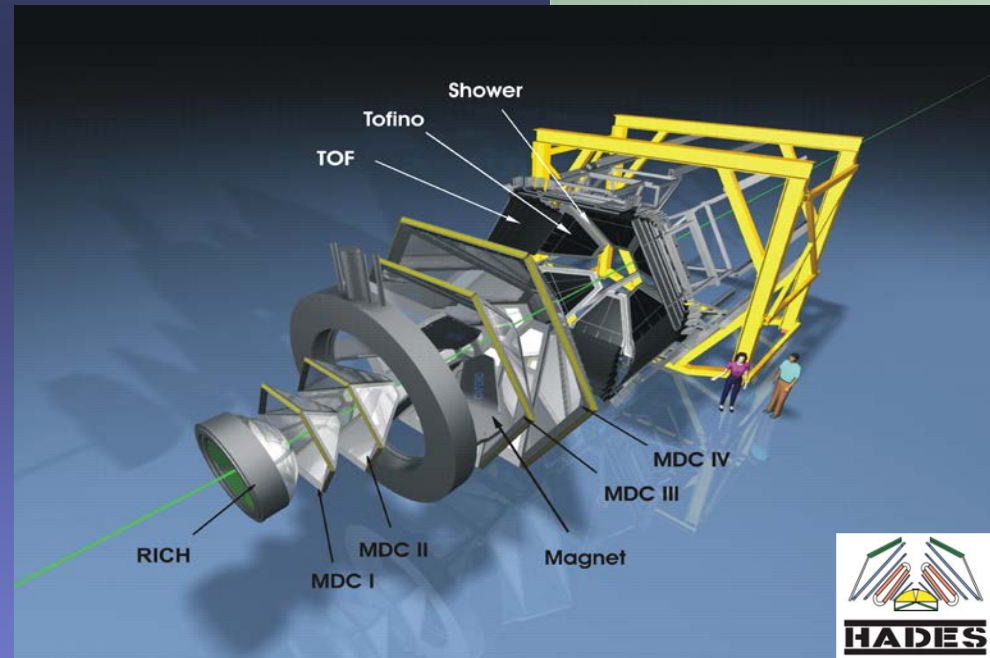
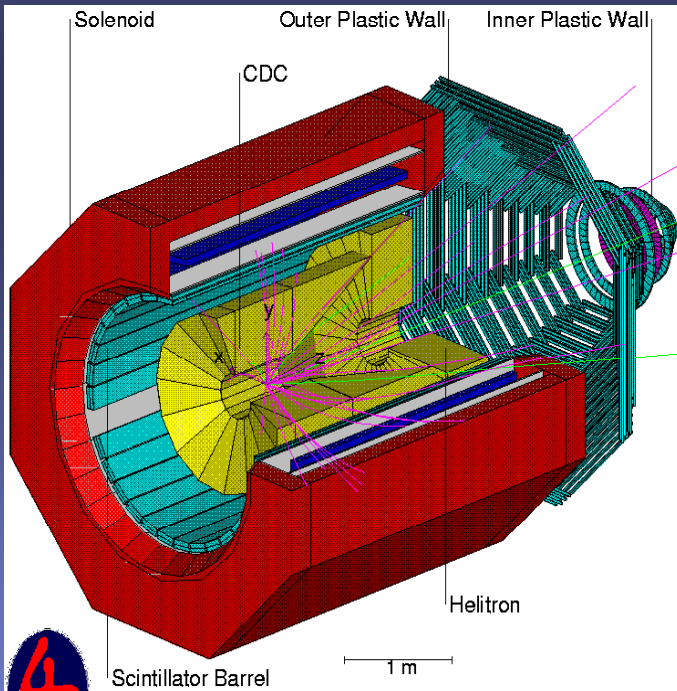
Chapter III

Exploring dense nuclear matter in the laboratory

Nucleus-nucleus collisions at SIS18

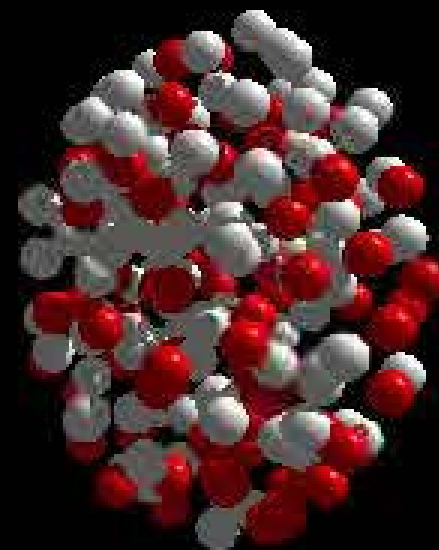


KAOSS



UrQMD

Au +Au 1.5 AGeV

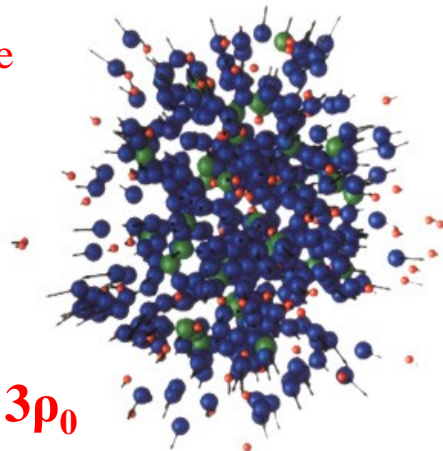
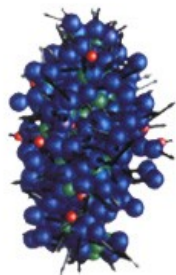
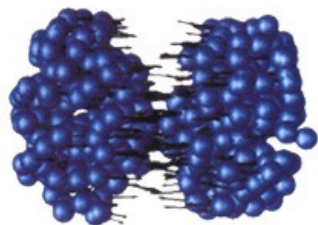


Relativistic nucleus-nucleus collisions at SIS18

QMD, S. Bass, Uni. Frankfurt

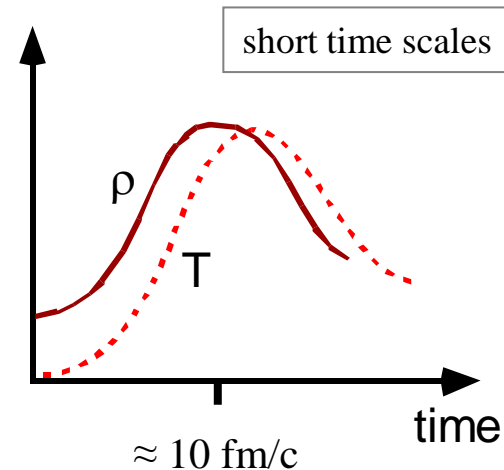
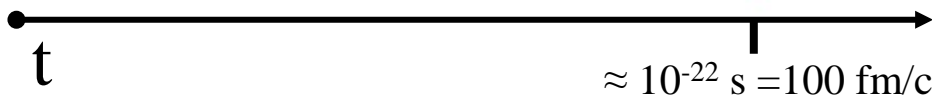
Au + Au

high density phase



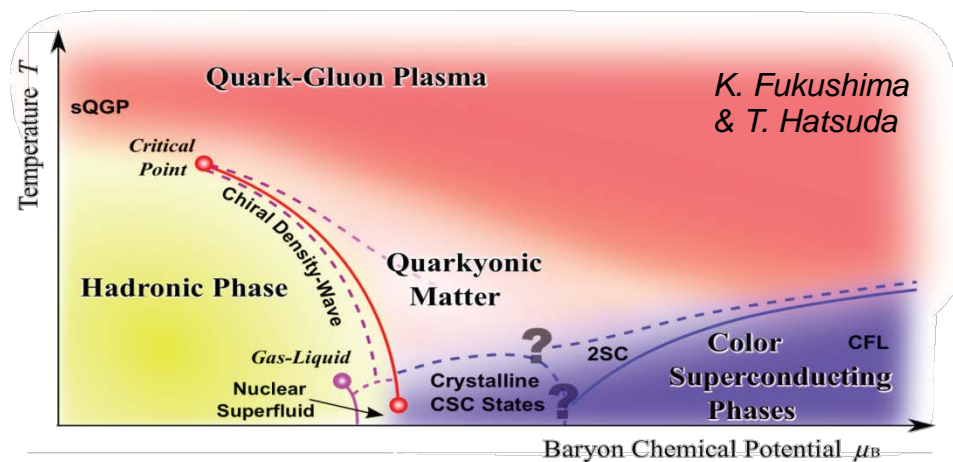
transport models: $\rho_{\max} \cong 3\rho_0$

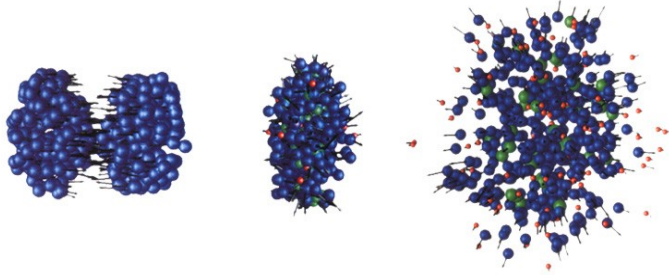
- nucleons
- resonances
- mesons



at SIS18 (max. 2 AGeV in A+A):
 $\rho_B \approx 1 - 3 \rho_0$
 $T \approx 70 - 100 \text{ MeV}$
 → hadronic phase
 no evidence for phase transition

note:
 system not necessarily equilibrated





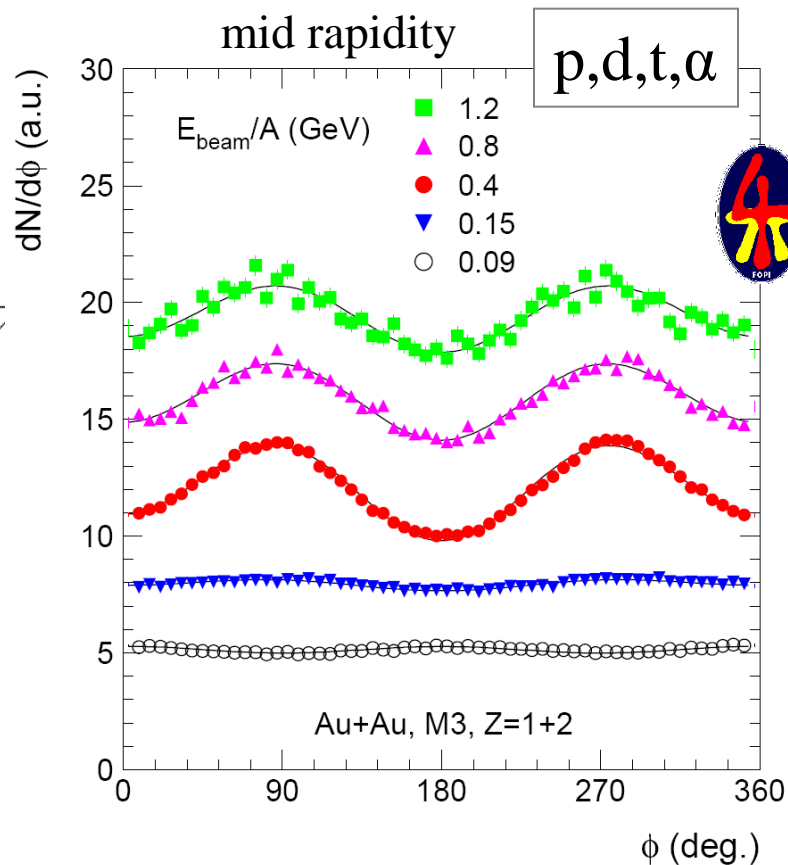
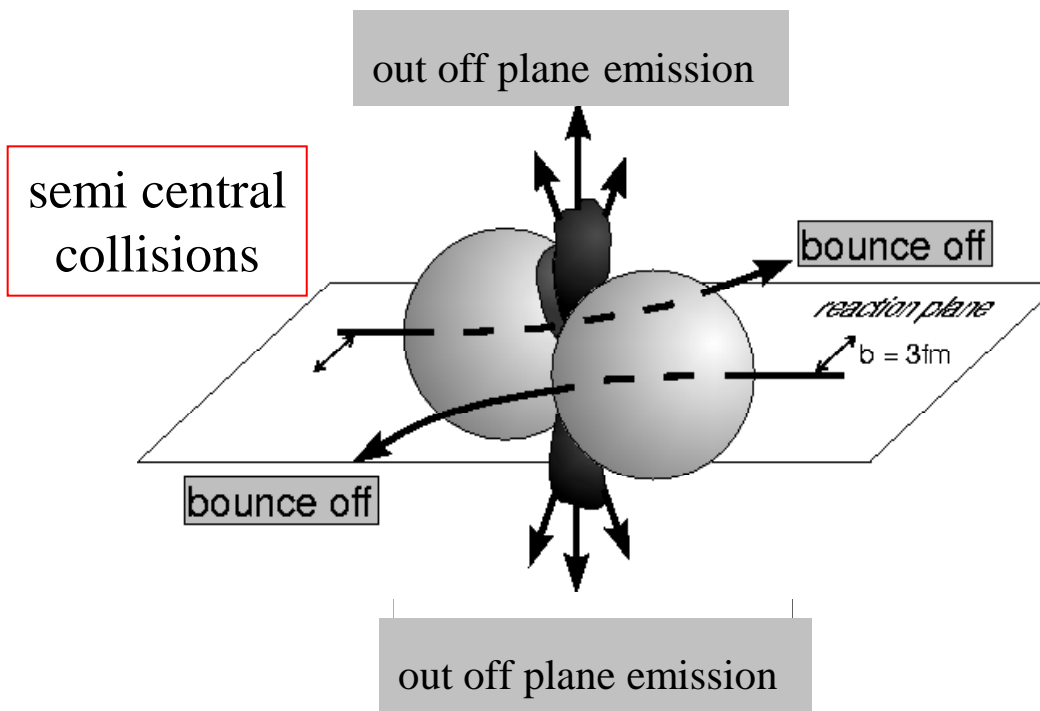
Selected observables:

Collective motion of particles (flow)

Strangeness production and propagation

Di-lepton production

Azimuthal particle emission



Fourier expansion of the $dN/d\phi$ distribution:

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} \sim [1 + 2v_1 \cdot \cos(\phi) + 2v_2 \cdot \cos(2\phi)]$$

the coefficients quantify :

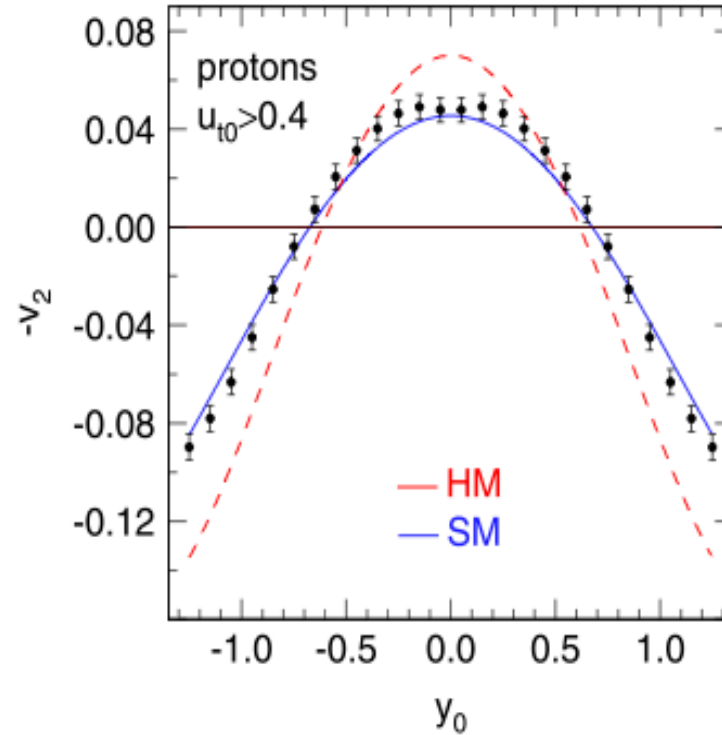
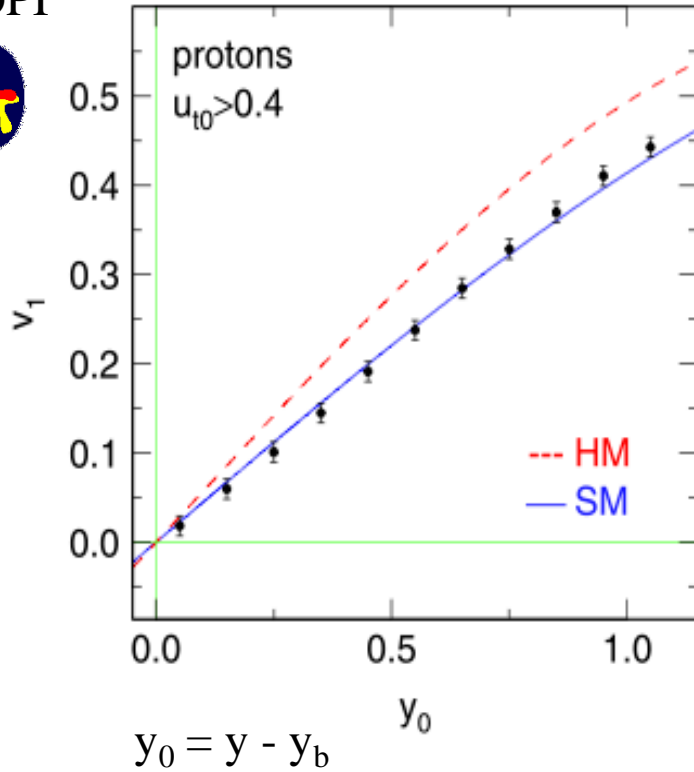
- v_1 the **in-plane** and
- v_2 the **elliptic** emission pattern

named as well as: v_1 directed flow , v_2 elliptic flow

Elliptic flow and the nuclear equation-of-state

W. Reisdorf et al. (FOPI), Nucl. Phys. A 876 (2012) 1

FOPI



Au+Au 1.5 AGeV

IQMD transport calculation

SM: soft equation-of-state (by effective NN force), momentum dependent force

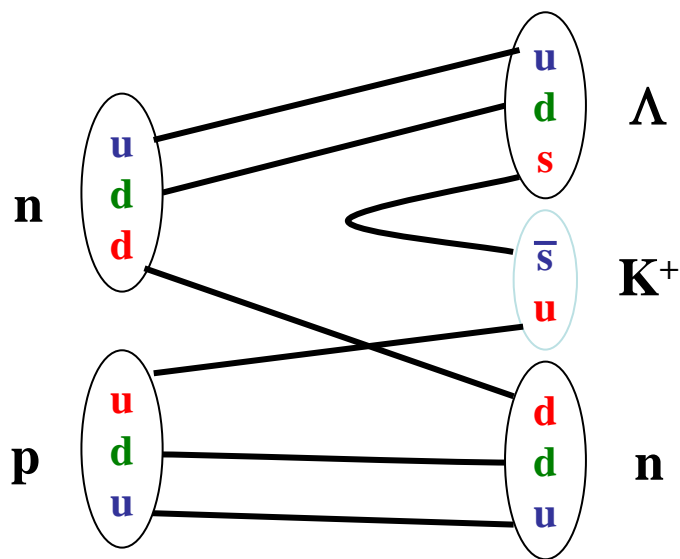
→ IQMD-SM describes $v_2(y_0)$ for $E_{lab} = 0.15$ AGeV to 1.5 AGeV !

The creation of strange mesons in elementary reactions

associate production !

K^+ mesons

$m = 493.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

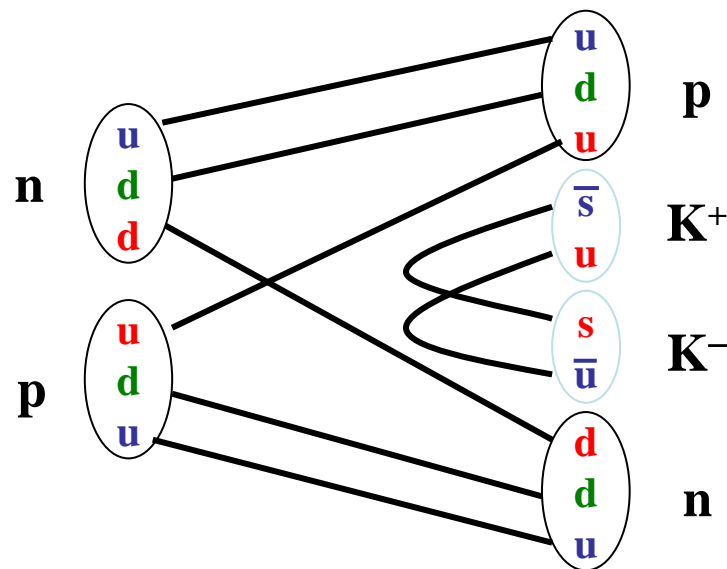


production threshold
(in lab. frame)

$$E_{lab} = 1.58 \text{ GeV}$$

K^- mesons

$m = 493.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$



production threshold
(in lab. frame)

$$E_{lab} = 2.5 \text{ GeV}$$

Additional channels in A+A collisions

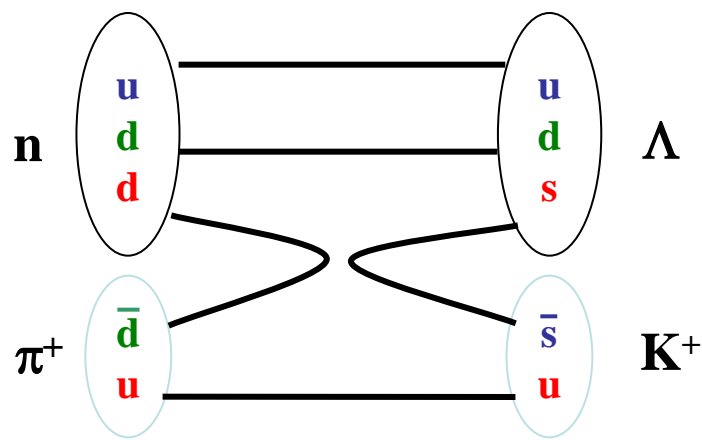
e.g.

$$NN \rightarrow N\Delta$$

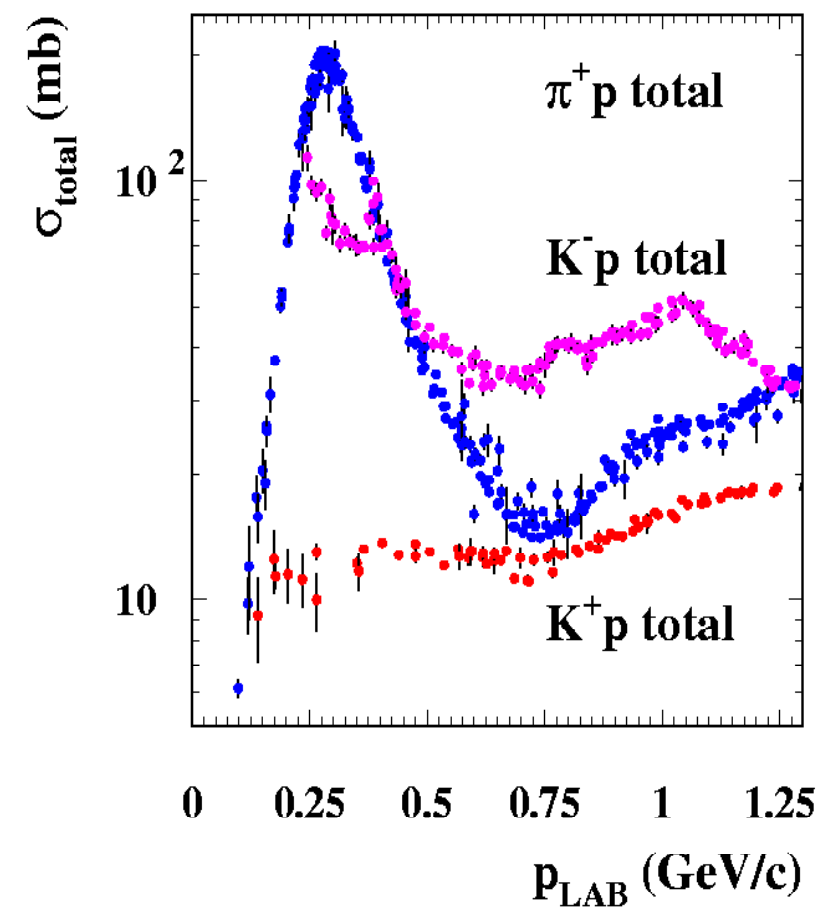
$$N\Delta \rightarrow NK^+Y$$

$$\pi N \rightarrow K^+Y \quad (Y=\Lambda, \Sigma)$$

multi step processes !



... and final state interaction !



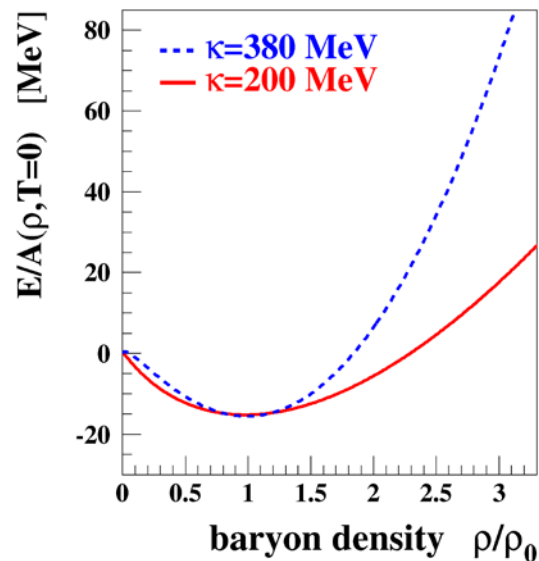
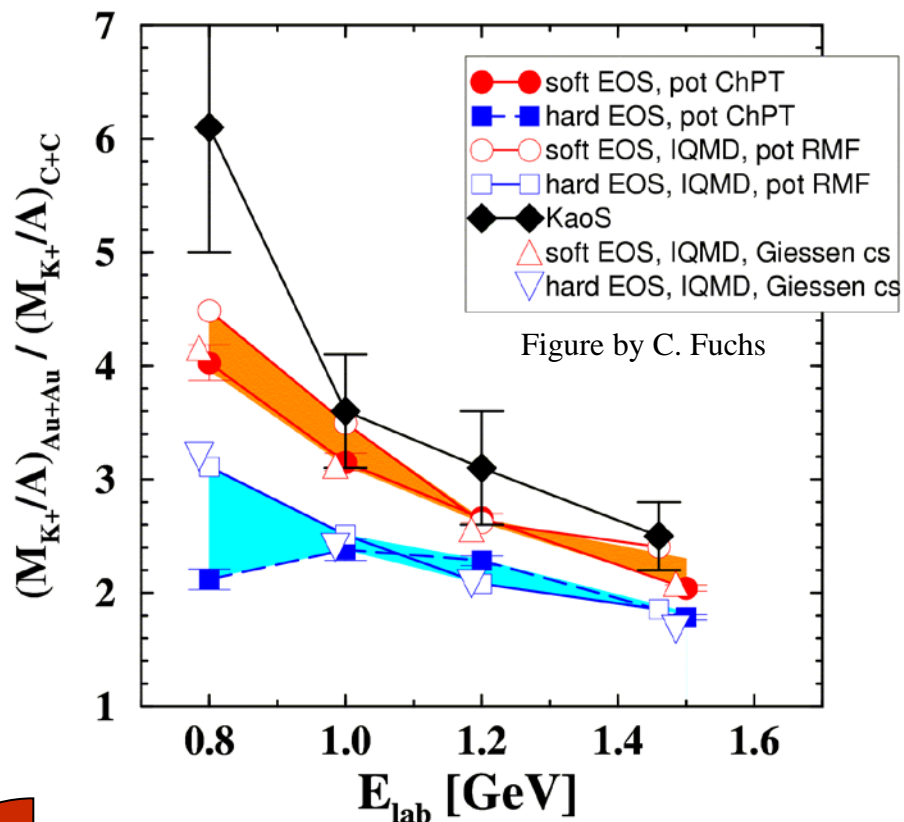
The compression modulus of nuclear matter ($\rho > \rho_0$)

Experiment: CS, Phys. Rev. Lett. 86 (2001) 39

Theory: QMD C. Fuchs et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 86 (2001) 1974

IQMD Ch. Hartnack, J. Aichelin, J. Phys. G 28 (2002) 1649

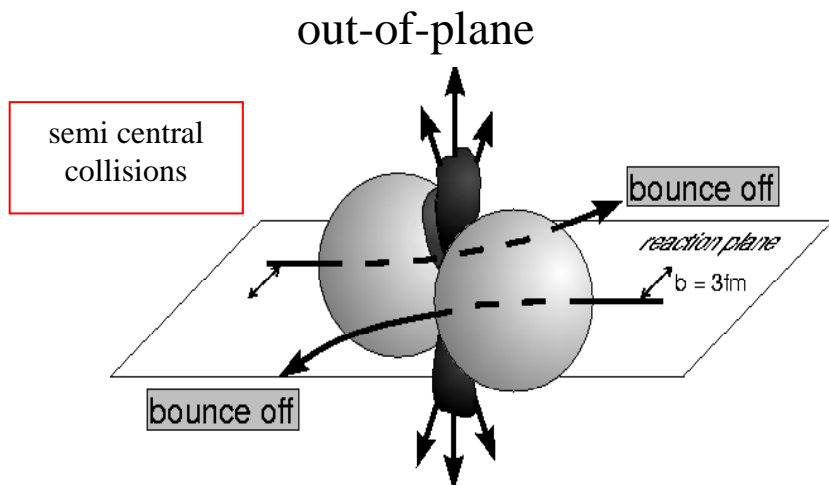
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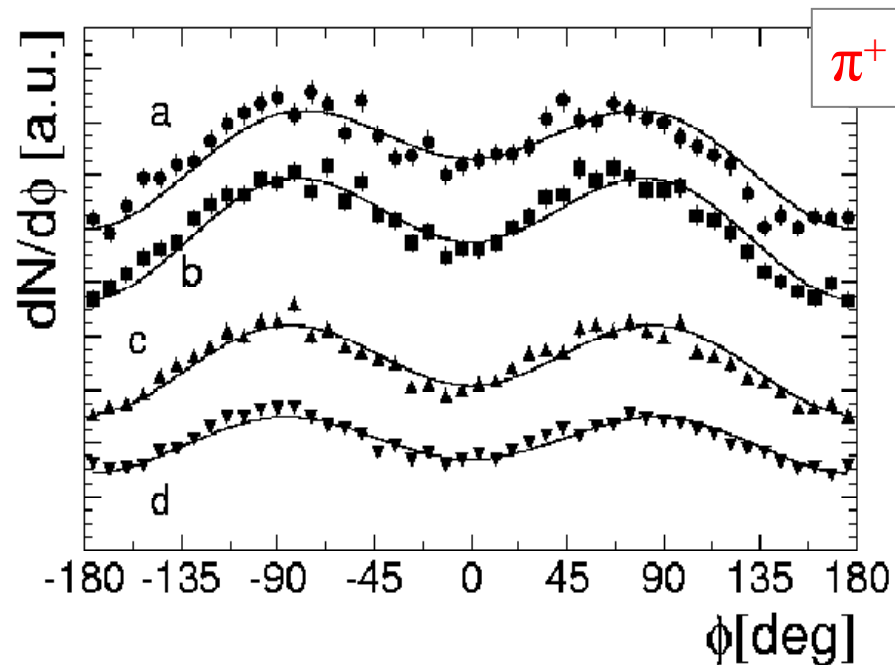
“soft” nuclear equation-of-state: $\kappa \approx 200$ MeV

Azimuthal particle emission

D. Brill et al.
ZPA355 (1996) 61
ZPA357 (1997) 207



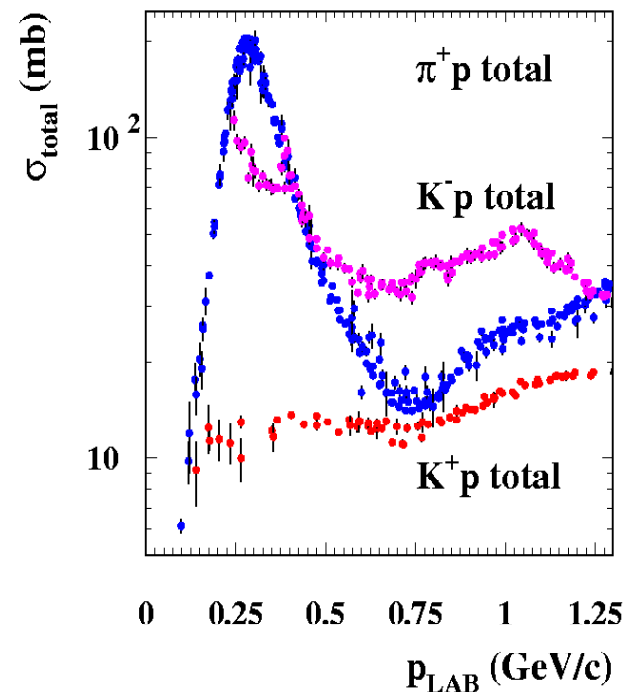
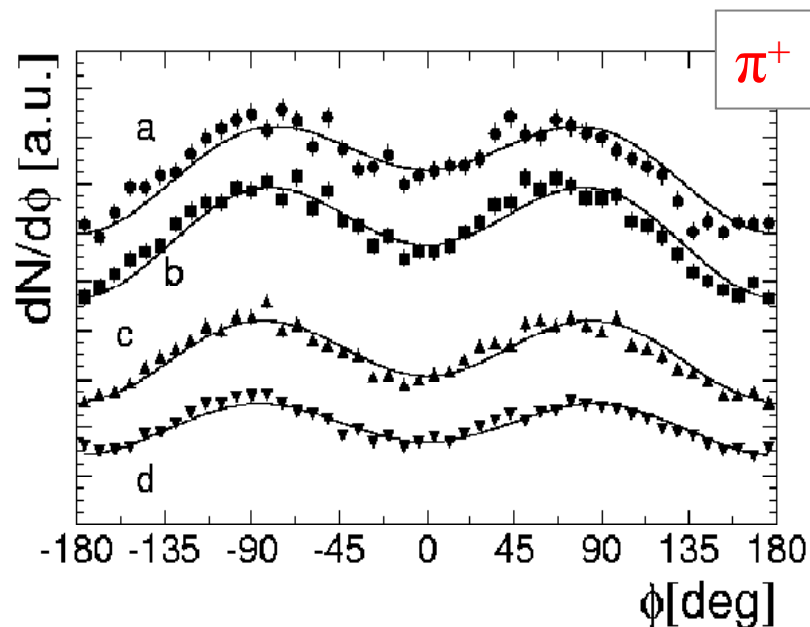
Bi+Bi 0.7A GeV, semi central



Discuss with your neighbor

Pions are enhanced emitted perpendicular to the reaction plane.

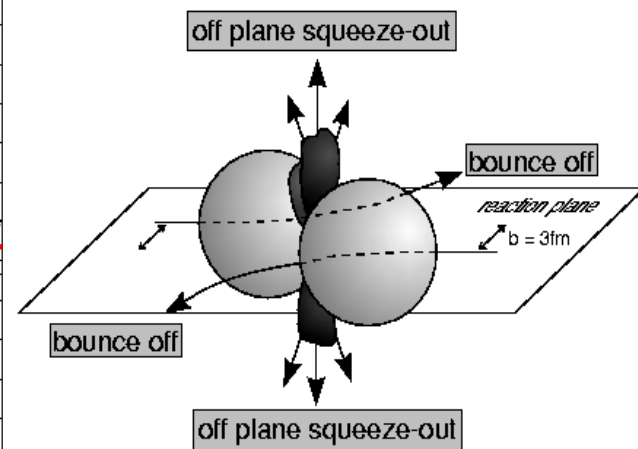
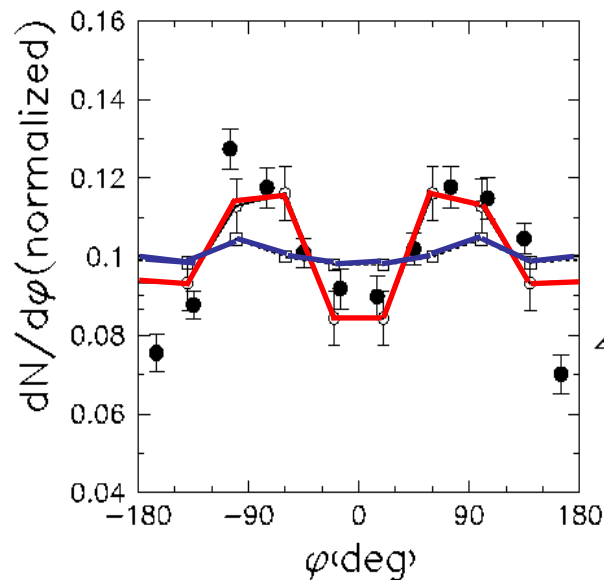
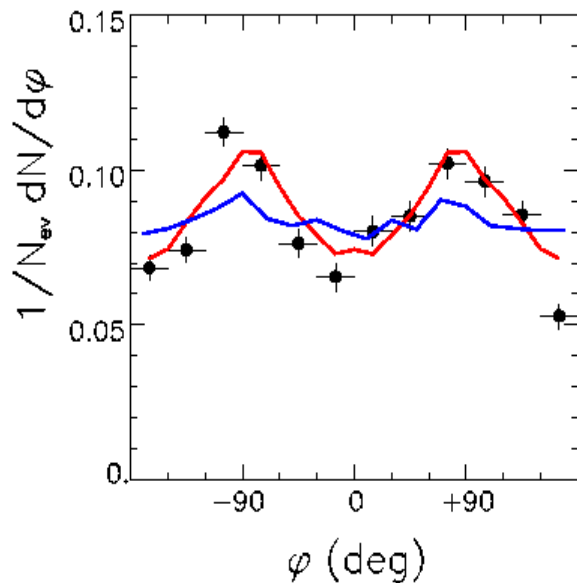
What would you expect how the K^+ emission pattern looks like ?



K⁺ emission pattern in Au+Au collisions at 1 AGeV

Data: Y. Shin et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 81 (1998) 1576

Semicentral, $0.4 \leq y/y_p \leq 0.6$



RBUU Stony Brook:

G.Q.Li et al.,
Phys. Lett. B 381 (1996)

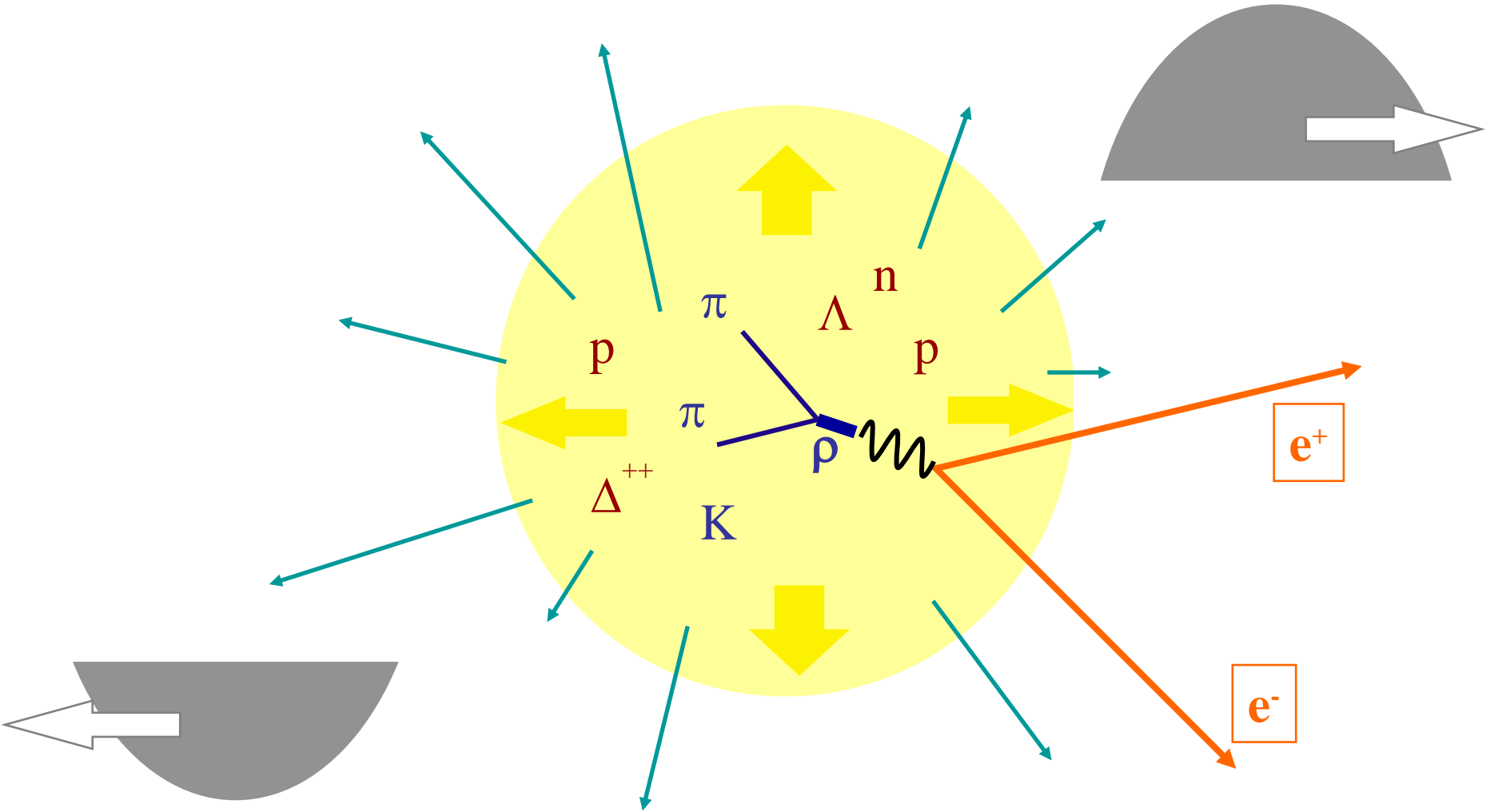
QMD Tübingen:

Z.S. Wang et al.,
Eur. Phys. J. A5 (1999) 275

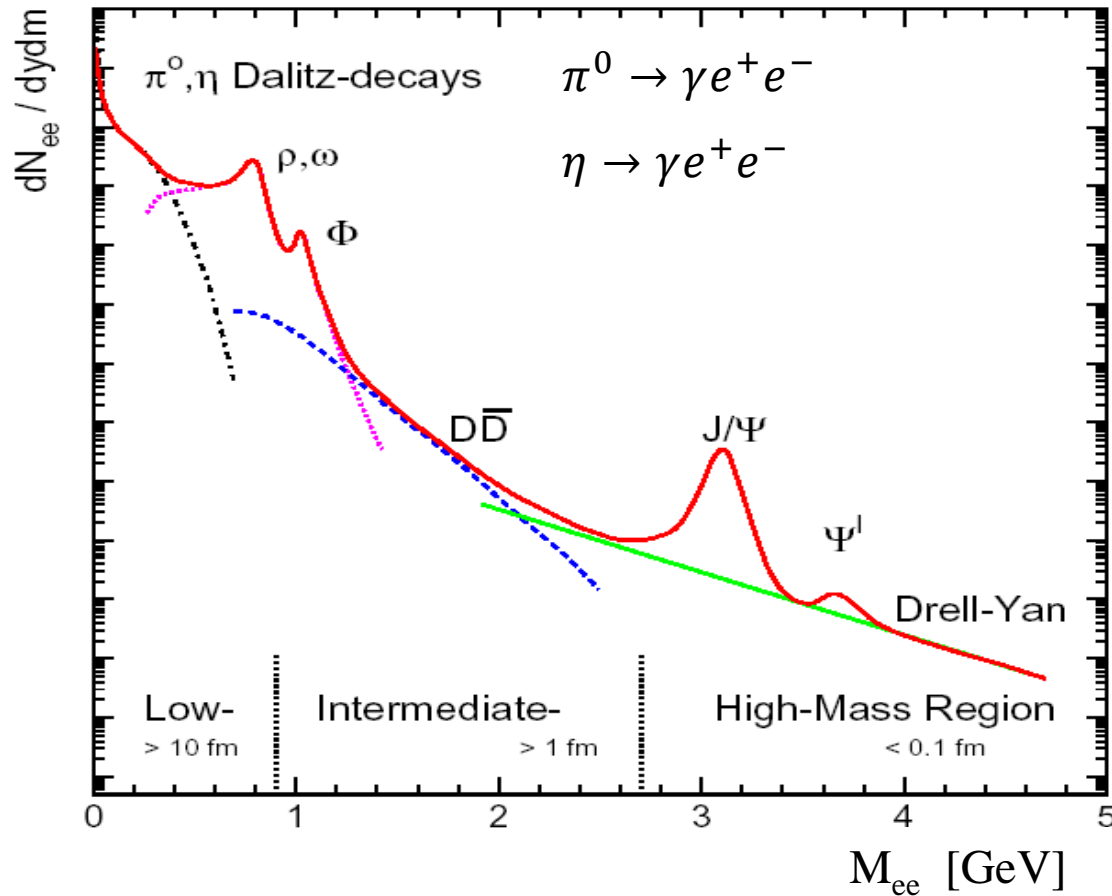
Transport models:

— with K⁺N potential
— no K⁺N potential

e^+e^- pairs (dileptons) – penetrating probes



Sources of e^+e^- pairs (dileptons)



invariant mass

$$M_{ee} = \sqrt{p_{e^+} p_{e^-}} \sin \frac{\vartheta_{e^+e^-}}{2}$$

	mass [MeV/c ²]	$c\tau$ [fm]	dominating decay	e^+e^- branching ratio
ρ	768	1.3	$\pi\pi$	4.4×10^{-5}
ω	782	23.4	$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	7.2×10^{-5}
Φ	1019	44.4	K^+K^-	3.1×10^{-4}

$E_{\text{thr,lab}}$ (NN)

1.7 GeV

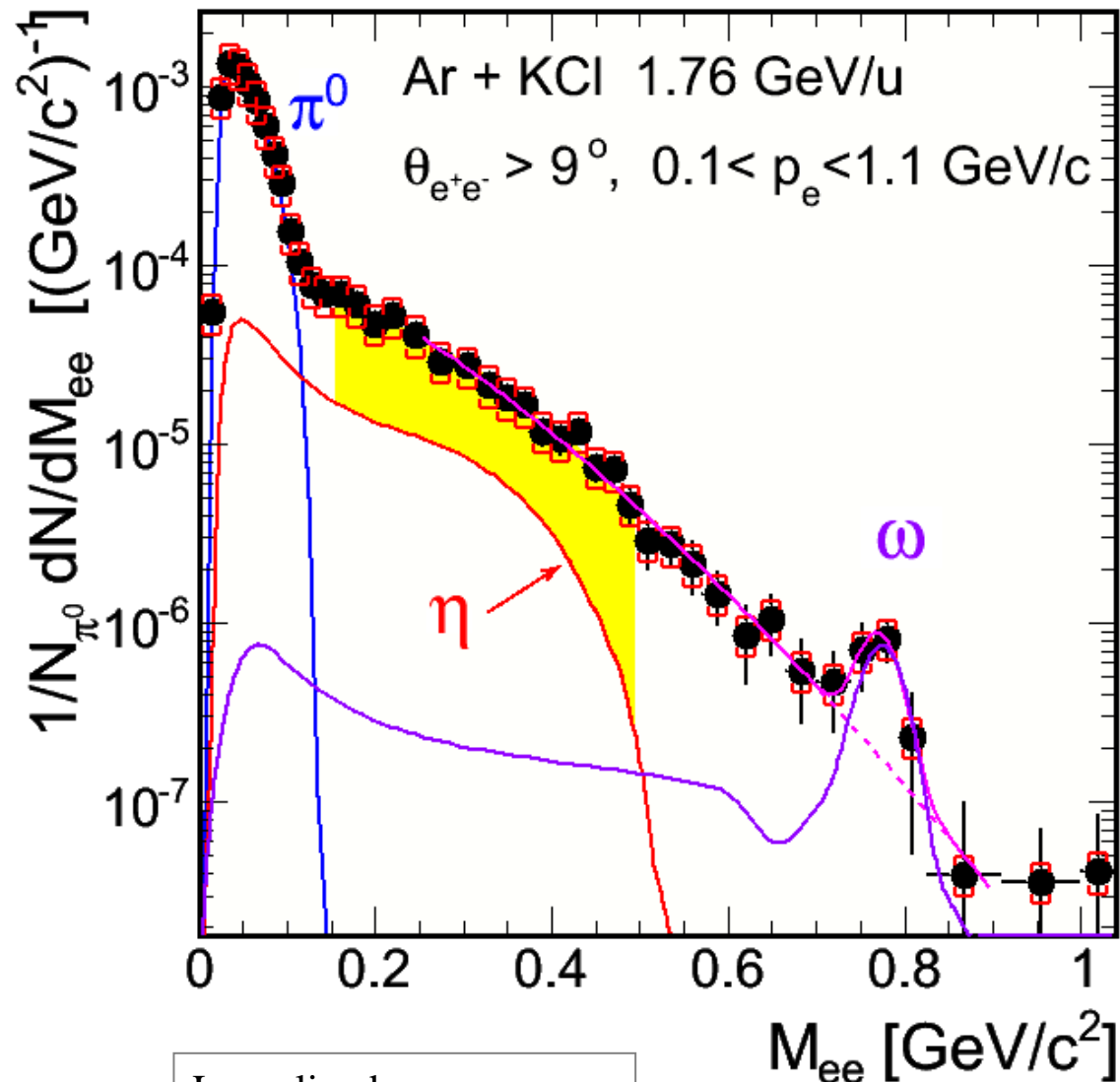
1.8 GeV

2.6 GeV

Dileptons in nucleus-nucleus collisions at SIS18



HADES, PRC 84 (2011) 014902



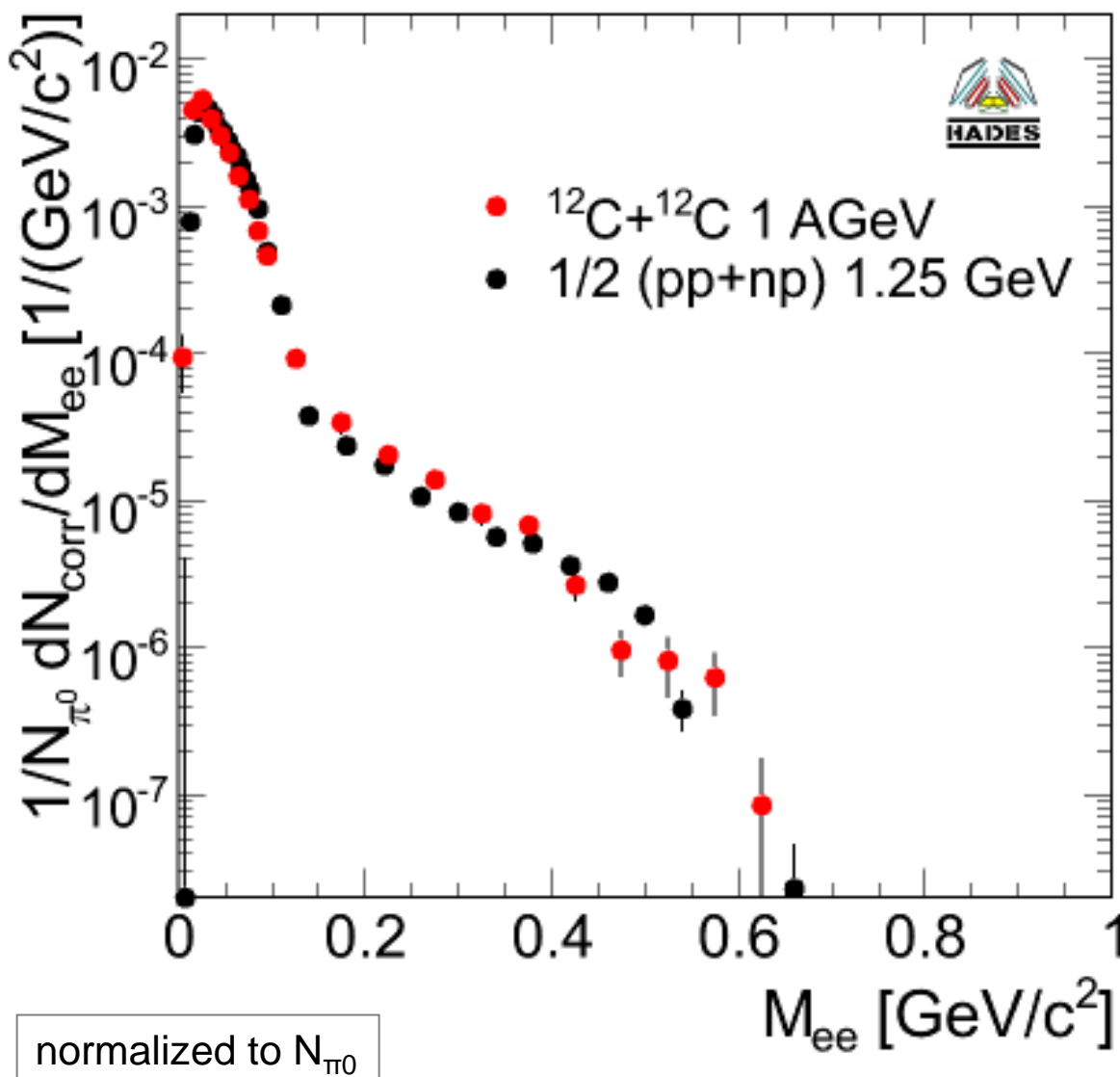
Long-lived sources:
 π^0 , η , and ω

ρ/ω mass region:
strength of ρ meson ?

melting ρ meson ?

Dileptons - reference measurements at SIS18

HADES, PL.B 663 (2008) 43 & PLB 690 (2010) 118



Reference measurements:

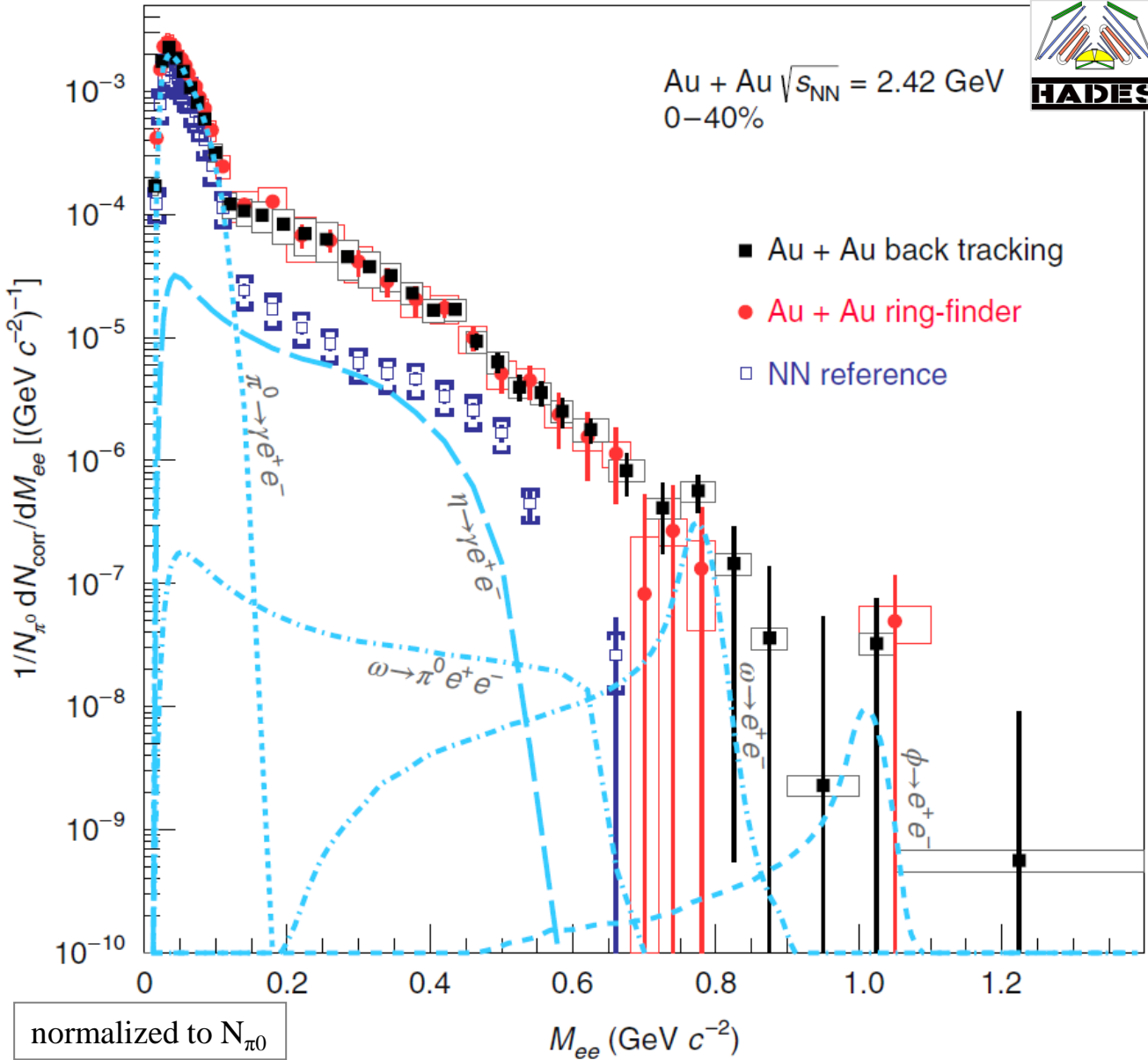
- C+C collisions
(= light symmetric collision system)
- p+p and n+p collisions

C+C data reproduced
(within 20%) by
superposition
of pp and np data

Pair “excess” observed
in C+C data can be traced back
to enhanced pair production
in n+p collisions (**DLS puzzle
solved !**)

Dileptons in nucleus-nucleus collisions at SIS18

HADES, Nature Physics, 2019, <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41567-019-0583-8>



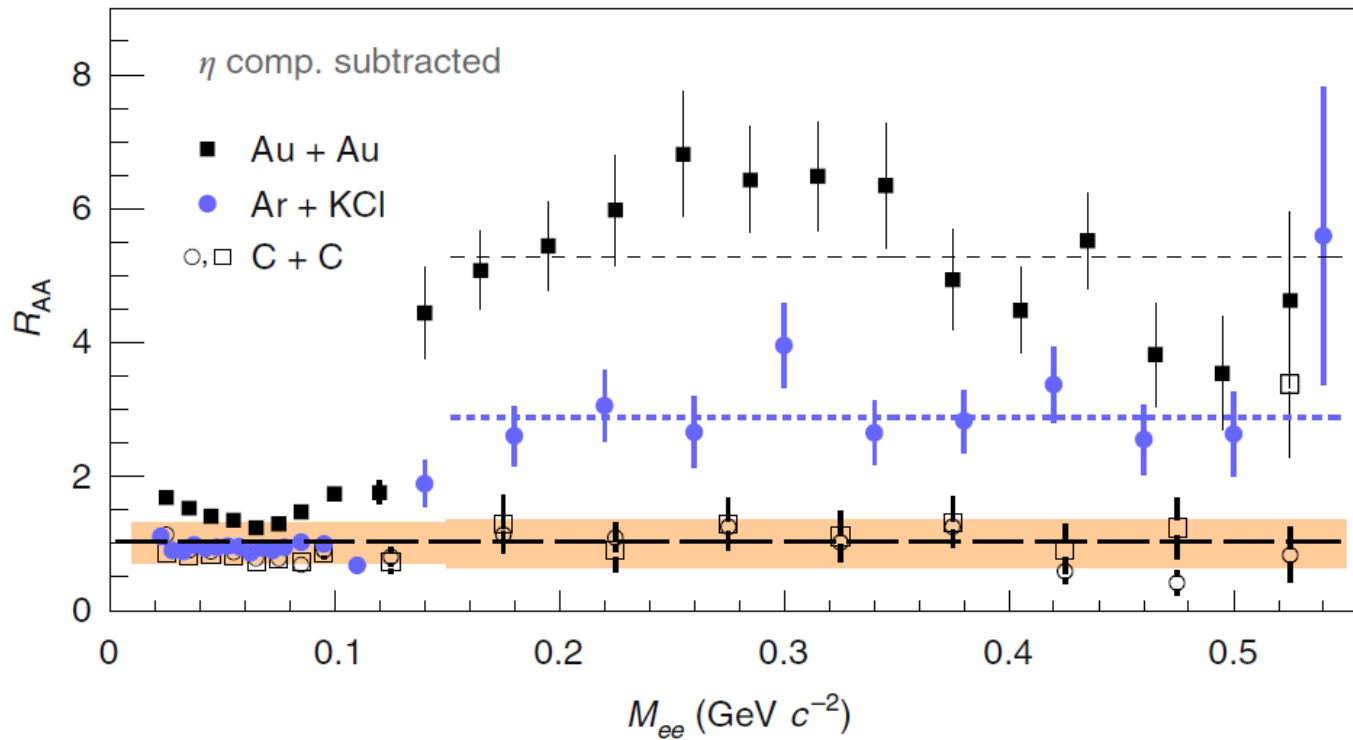
Dileptons - excess yield at SIS18

HADES, Nature Physics, 2019, <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41567-019-0583-8>



$$R_{AA} = \frac{1}{\langle A_{part} \rangle} \frac{dN^{AA}}{dM_{ee}} \left(\frac{dN^{NN}}{dM_{ee}} \right)^{-1}$$

“excess” over long-lived e^+e^- sources



melting ρ ?

Part IV

Exploring the highest baryon densities in the laboratory

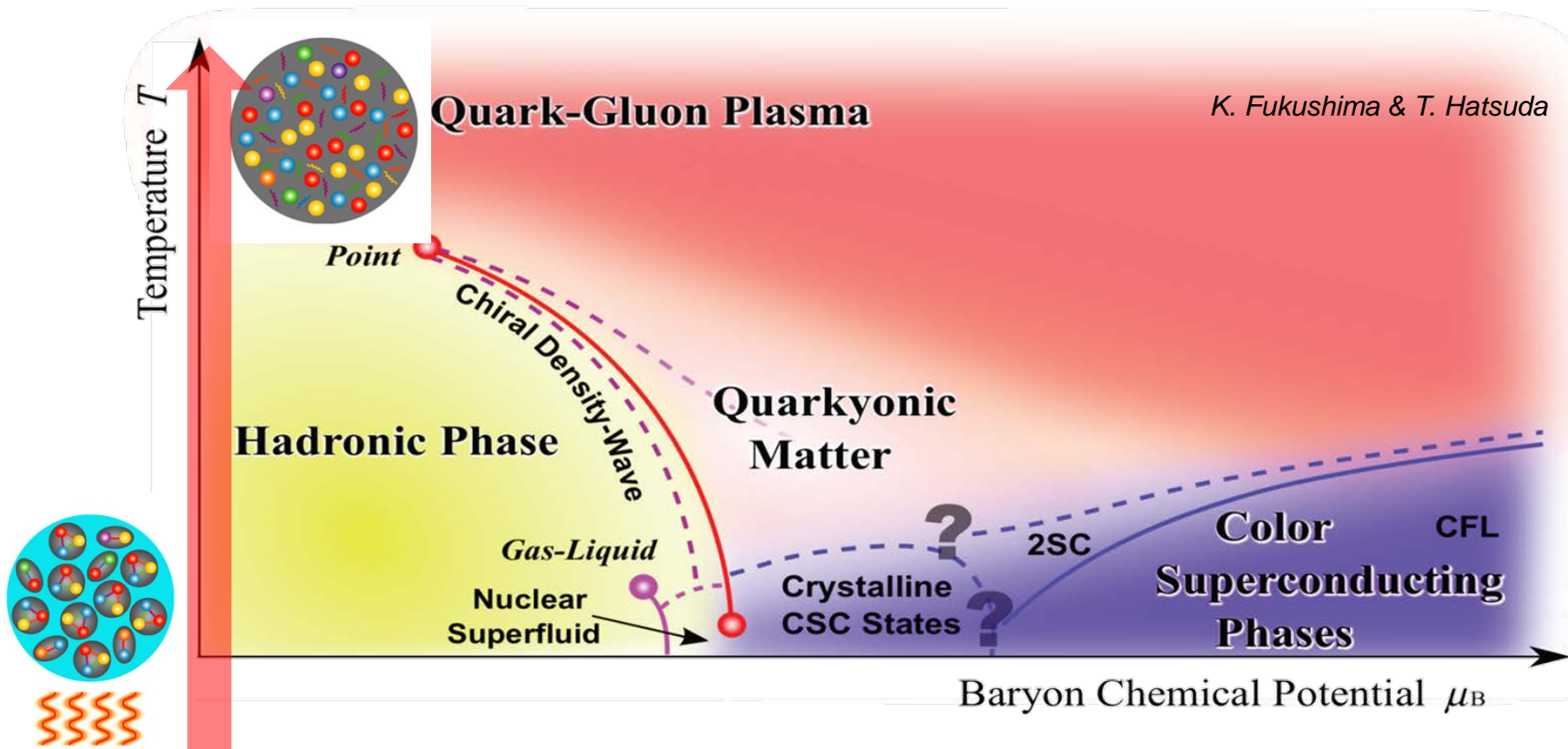
Nucleus-nucleus collisions

- at the Nucletron-M with BM (1 – 4 AGeV)
- at NICA with MPD
- at SPS with NA61/Shine and NA60'
- at RHIC/BES
- **at FAIR with CBM & HADES (2 – 44 AGeV)**



Exploring the QCD phase diagram

K. Fukushima & T. Hatsuda



At very high temperature:

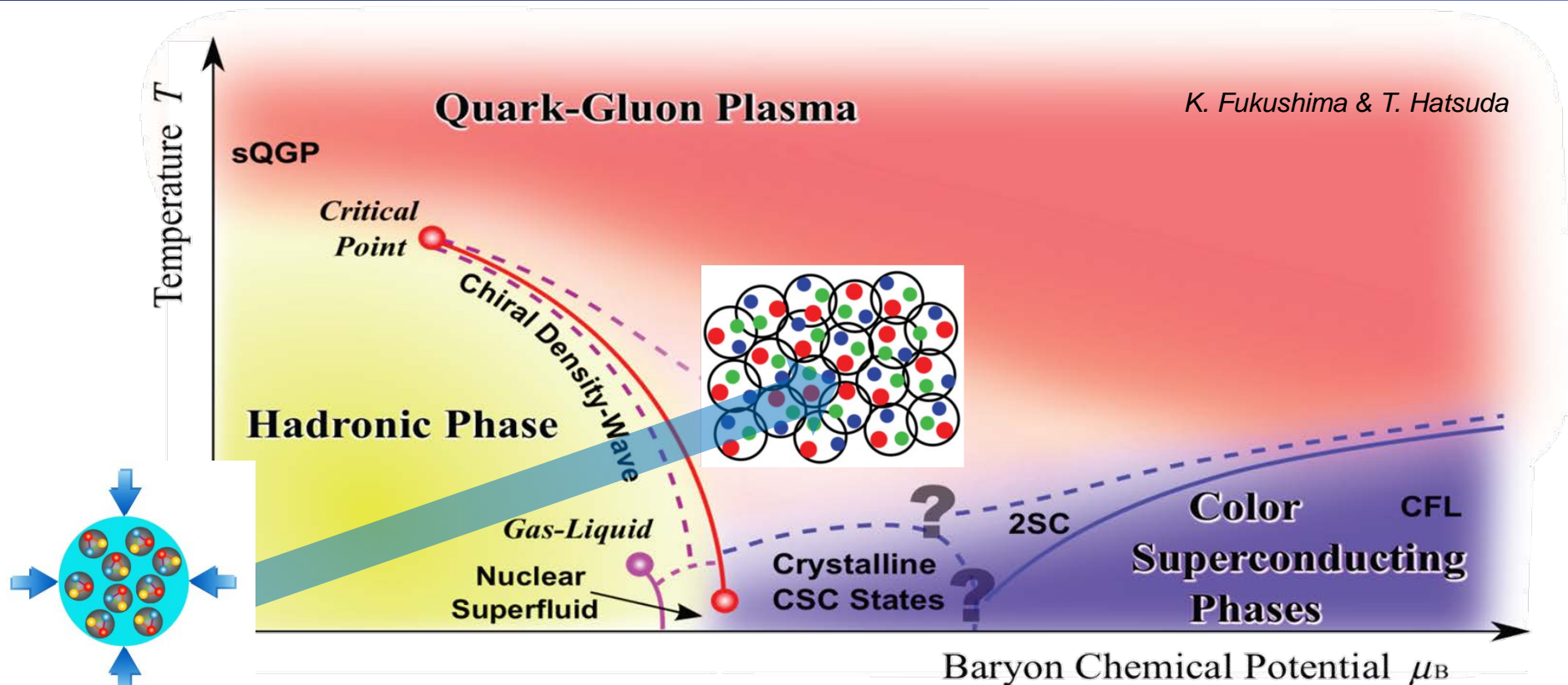
N of baryons \approx N of antibaryons \rightarrow situation similar to early universe
Lattice QCD: crossover transition Hadronic Matter \rightarrow Quark-Gluon Plasma

Experiments:

ALICE, ATLAS and CMS at LHC & STAR and PHENIX at RHIC

Exploring the QCD phase diagram

K. Fukushima & T. Hatsuda



At high baryon density:

N of baryons \gg N of antibaryons, densities like in neutron star cores

→ Lattice QCD not (yet) applicable

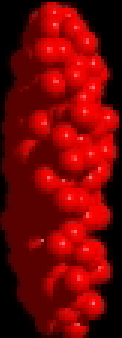
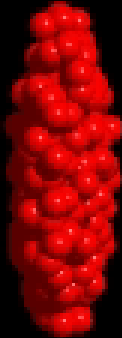
→ Models predict first order phase transition with mixed or exotic phases

Experiments:

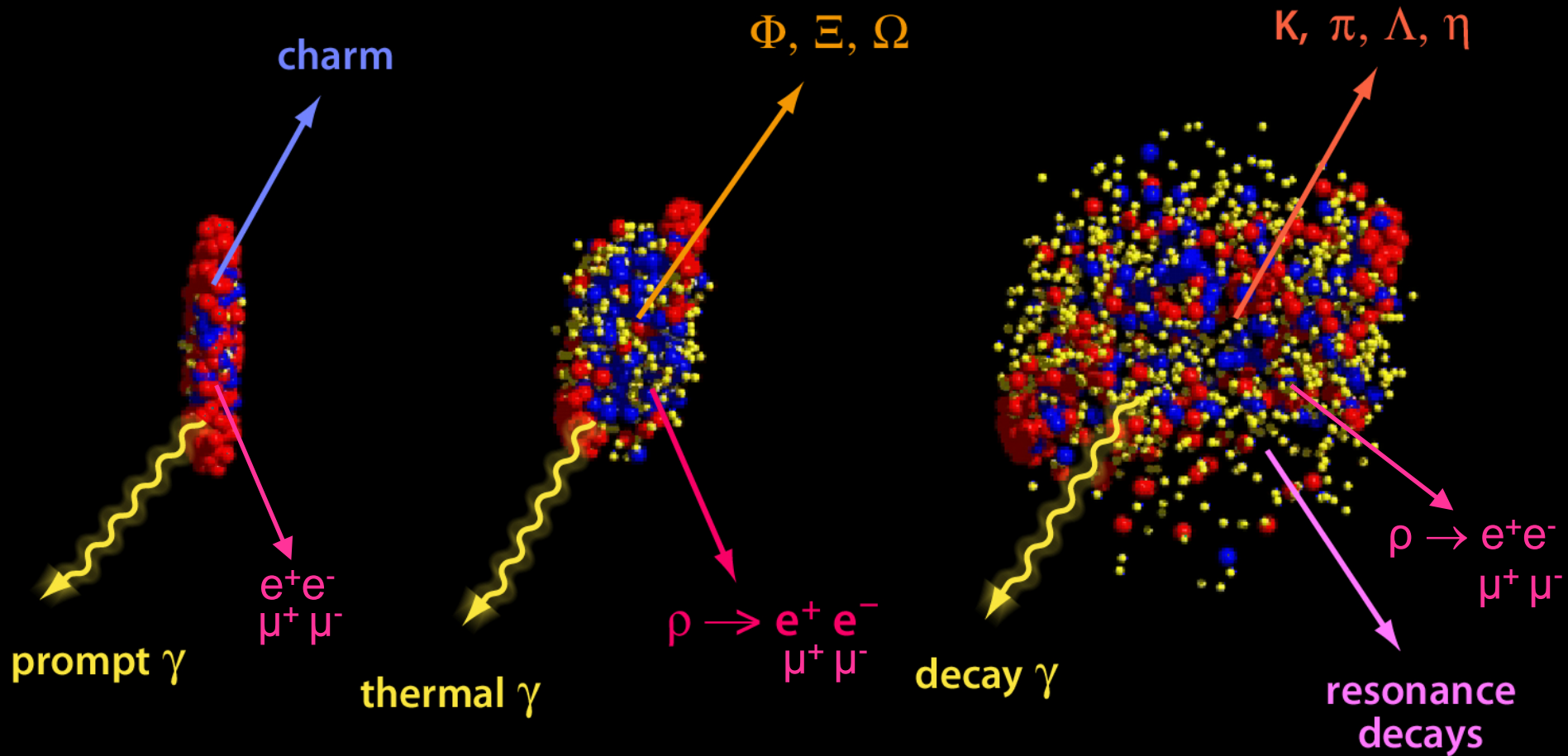
BES at RHIC, NA61 at CERN SPS, NICA at JINR and **CBM at FAIR**

U+U 23 GeV/A

t=-17.14 fm/c



Messengers from the dense fireball



UrQMD transport calculation U+U 23 AGeV

CBM physics case and observables

New phases of strongly-interacting matter ?

- excitation function and flow of lepton pairs
- excitation function and flow of strangeness ($K, \Lambda, \Sigma, \Xi, \Omega$)

Deconfinement phase transition at high ρ_B ?

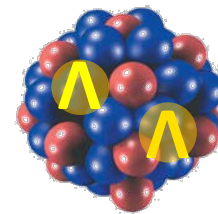
- excitation function and flow of charm ($J/\psi, \psi', D^0, D^\pm, \Lambda_c$)
- anomalous charmonium suppression
- event-by-event fluctuations of conserved quantities

Onset of chiral symmetry restoration at high ρ_B ?

- in-medium modifications of hadrons ($\rho, \omega, \phi \rightarrow e^+e^-(\mu^+\mu^-)$)

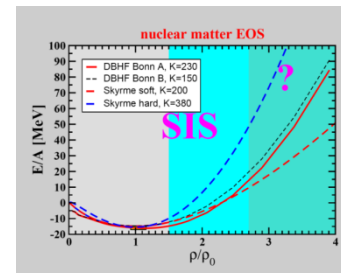
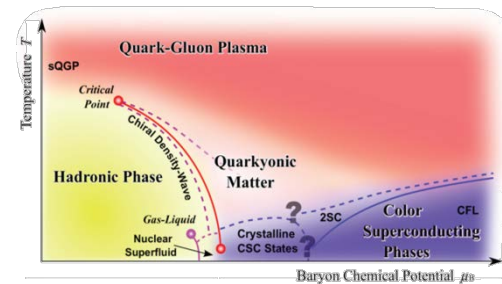
Strange matter

- (double-) lambda hypernuclei
- strange meta-stable objects (e.g. strange dibaryons)



The equation-of-state at neutron star core densities

- collective flow of hadrons
- particle production at threshold energies (multi-strange hyperons)

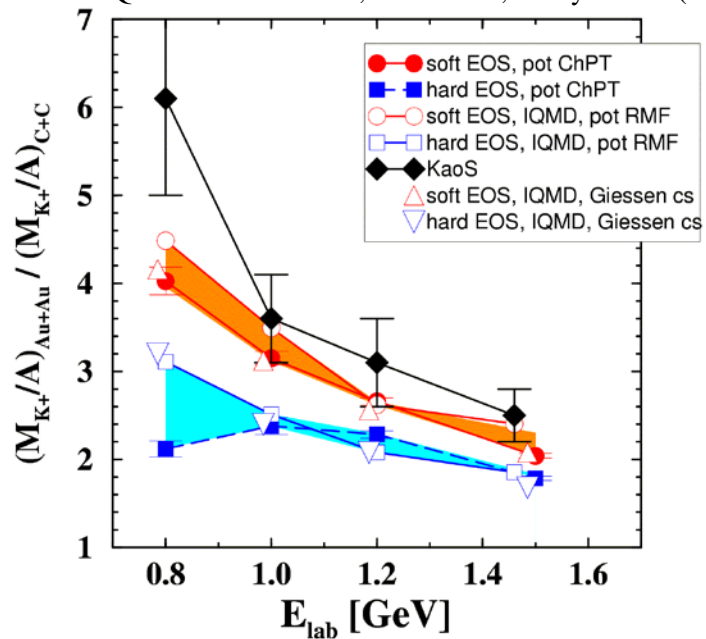


Nuclear equation-of-state at high (net) baryon densities

Experiment: CS et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 86 (2001) 39

Theory: RQMD C. Fuchs et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 86 (2001) 1974

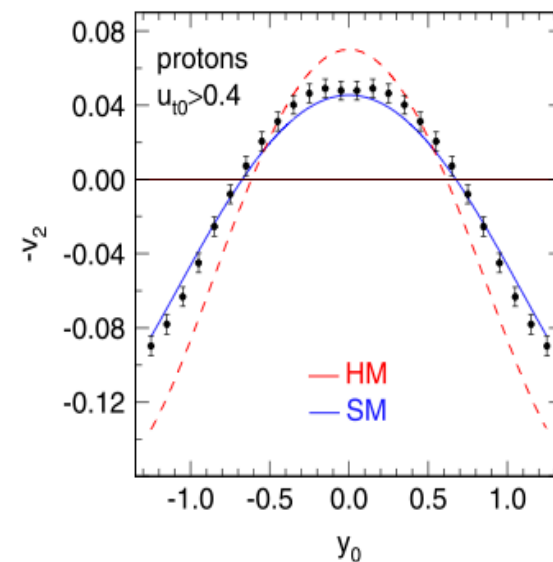
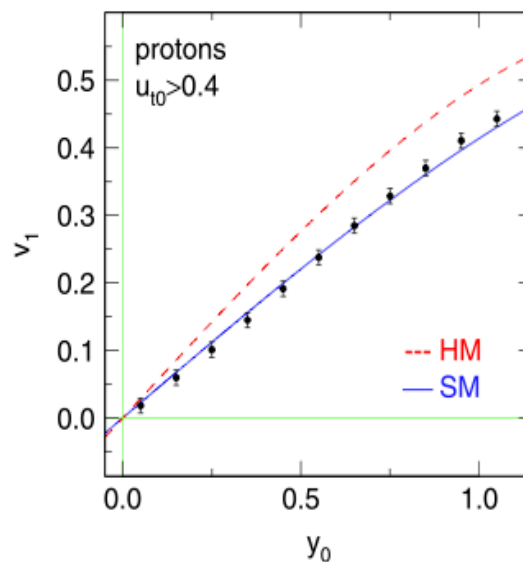
IQMD Ch. Hartnack, J. Aichelin, J. Phys. G 28 (2002) 1649



FOPI

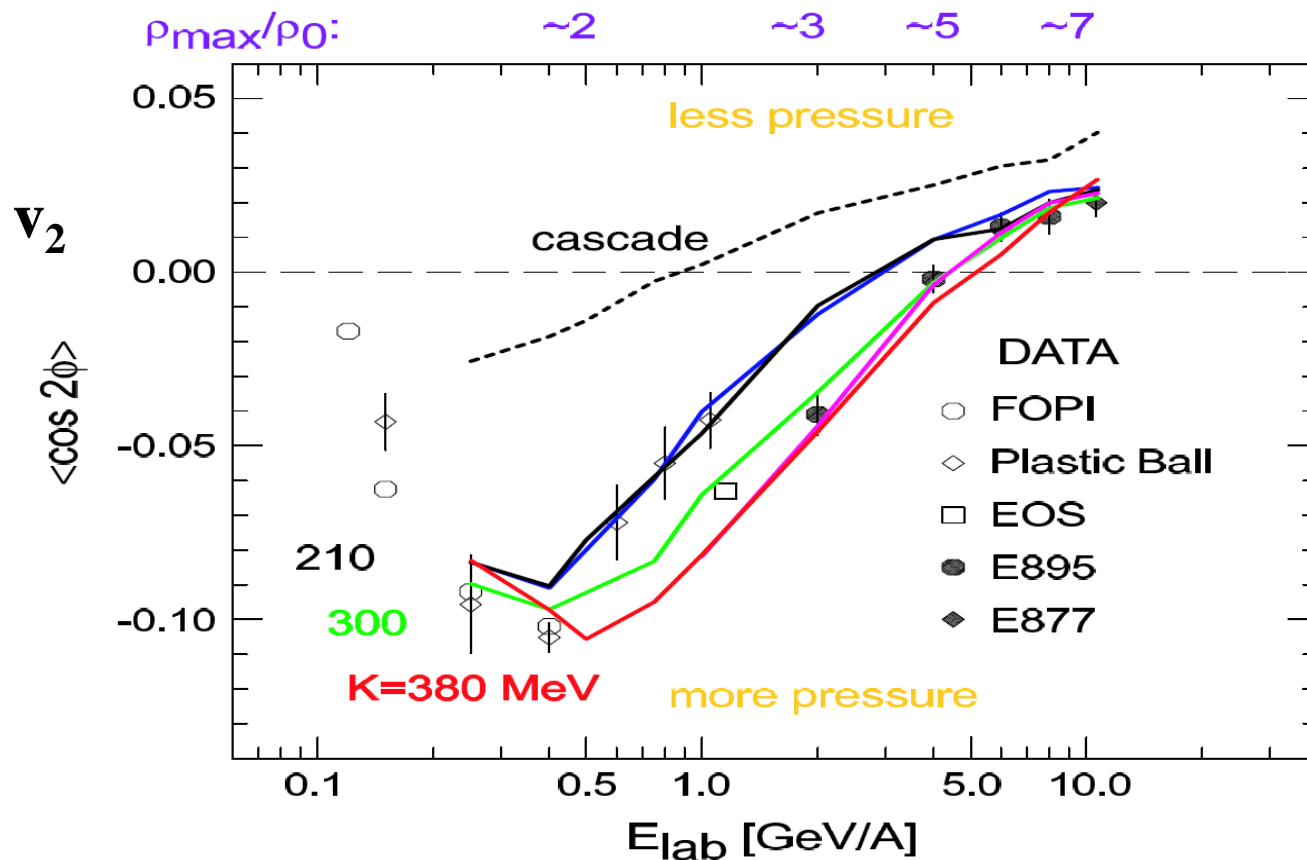
Au+Au 1.5 AGeV

W. Reisdorf et al. (FOPI), Nucl. Phys. A 876 (2012) 1



Nuclear equation-of-state at high (net) baryon densities

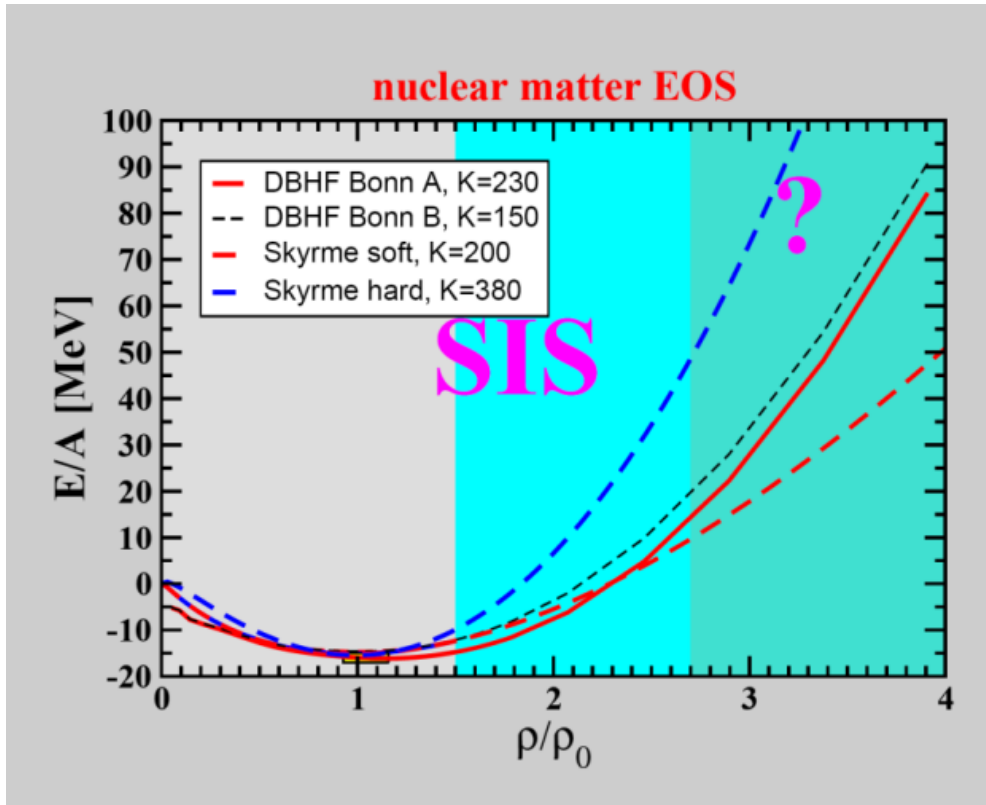
P. Danielewicz et al., Science 298 (2002) 1592



consistent picture at
SIS18 energies ($1.5 < \rho / \rho_0 < 3.0$)

inconclusive at AGS energies

Nuclear equation-of-state at the **highest** (net) baryon densities

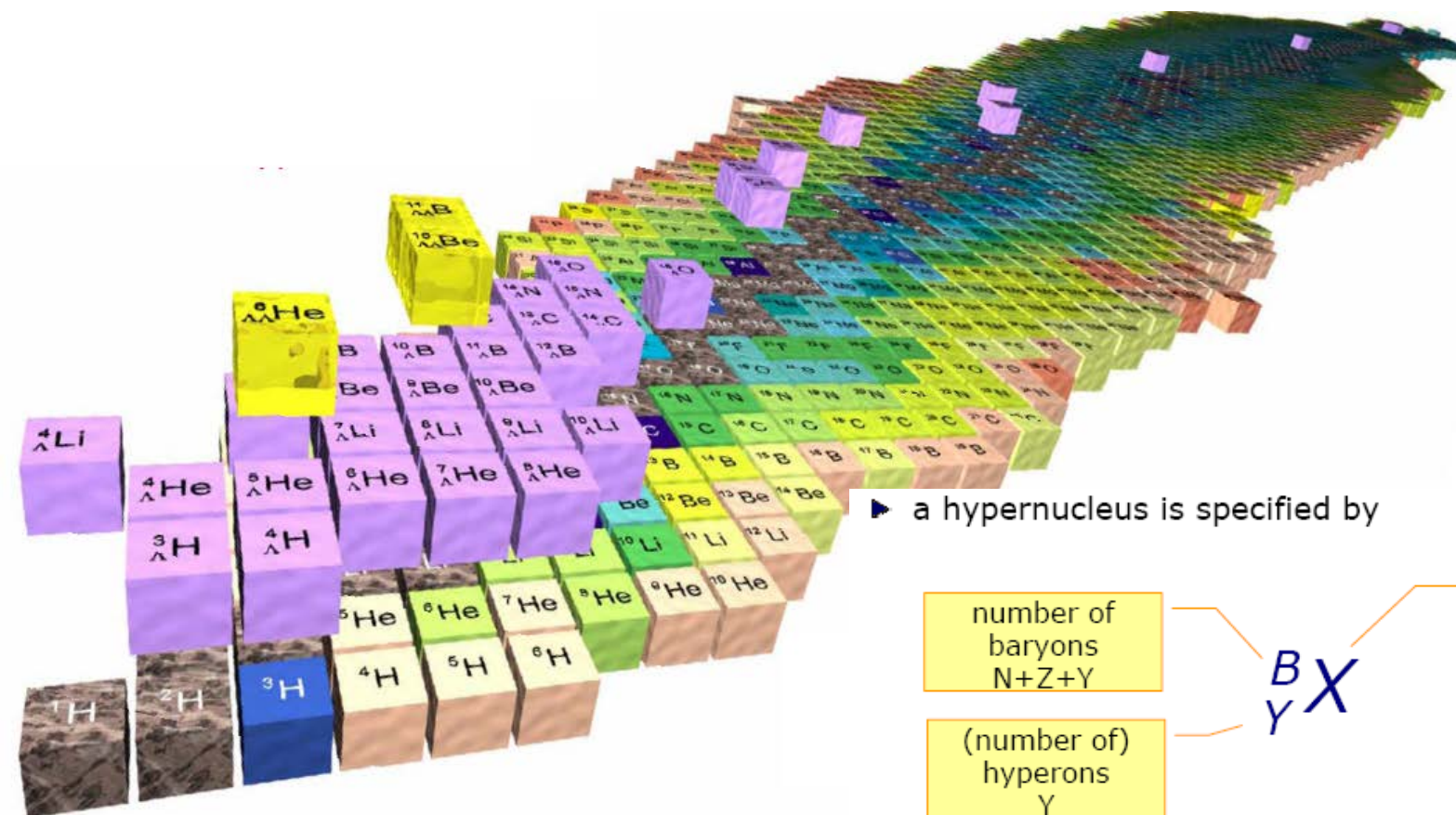


equation-of-state
at
neutron star core densities ?

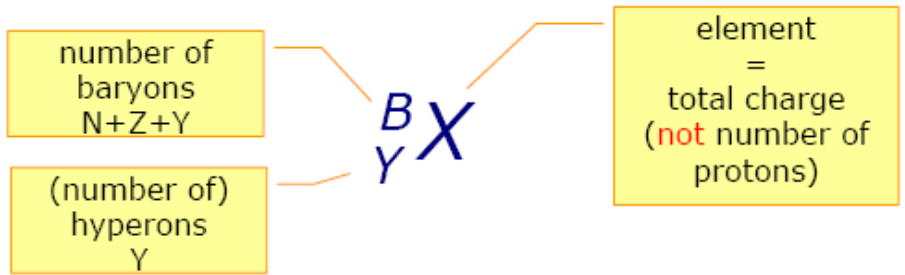
→ (sub-threshold) production
of $\Omega^+(\bar{s}\bar{s}\bar{s})$ at FAIR energies ?
- refined to the high-density phase
- small final-state interaction

DBHF: E. N. E. van Dalen, C. Fuchs, A. Faessler
EPJ. A 31,29 (2007)

Strange matter - hypernuclei



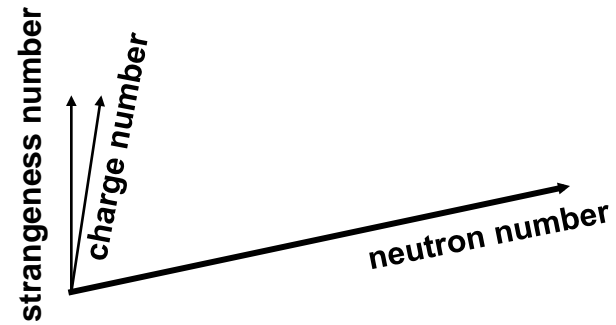
► a hypernucleus is specified by



► examples:

$${}^{10}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Be} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{Be} \rightarrow 4 \text{ protons} \\ \Lambda\Lambda \rightarrow 2 \text{ lambdas} \\ 10 \rightarrow 10-4-2=4 \text{ neutrons} \end{cases}$$

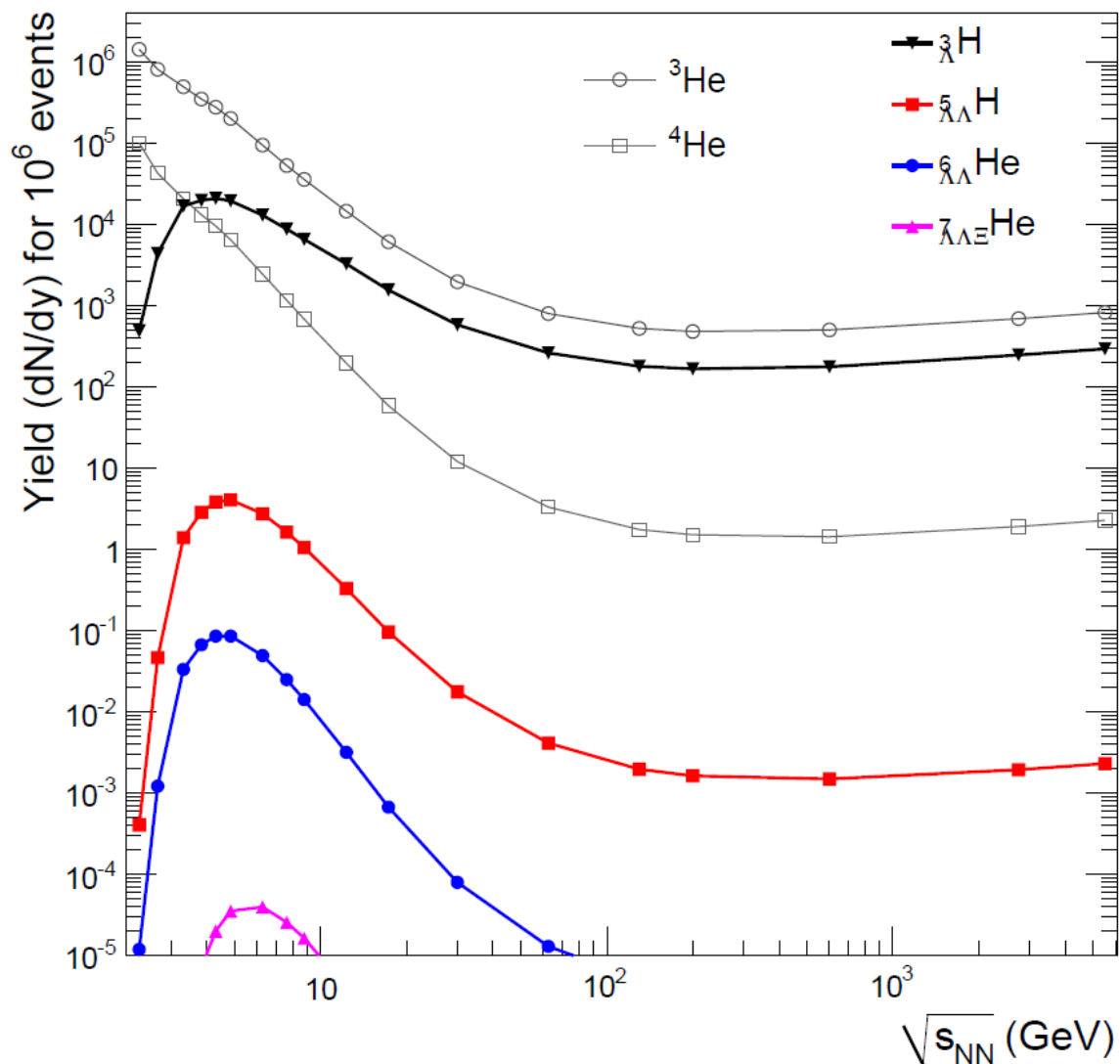
$${}^4_{\Sigma}\text{He} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 1p + 2n + 1\Sigma^+ \\ 2p + 1n + 1\Sigma^0 \\ 3p + 0n + 1\Sigma^- \end{cases} \text{ indistinguishable}$$



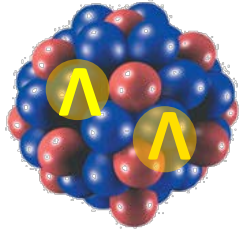
Strange matter – predictions at FAIR energies

Statistical model

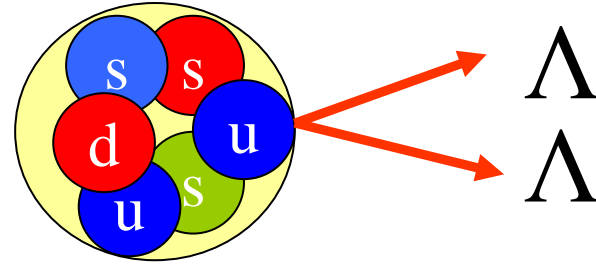
A. Andronic, P. Braun-Munzinger, J. Stachel, H. Stöcker, Phys. Lett. B697 (2011) 203



Strange matter



double hypernuclei



strange dibaryon

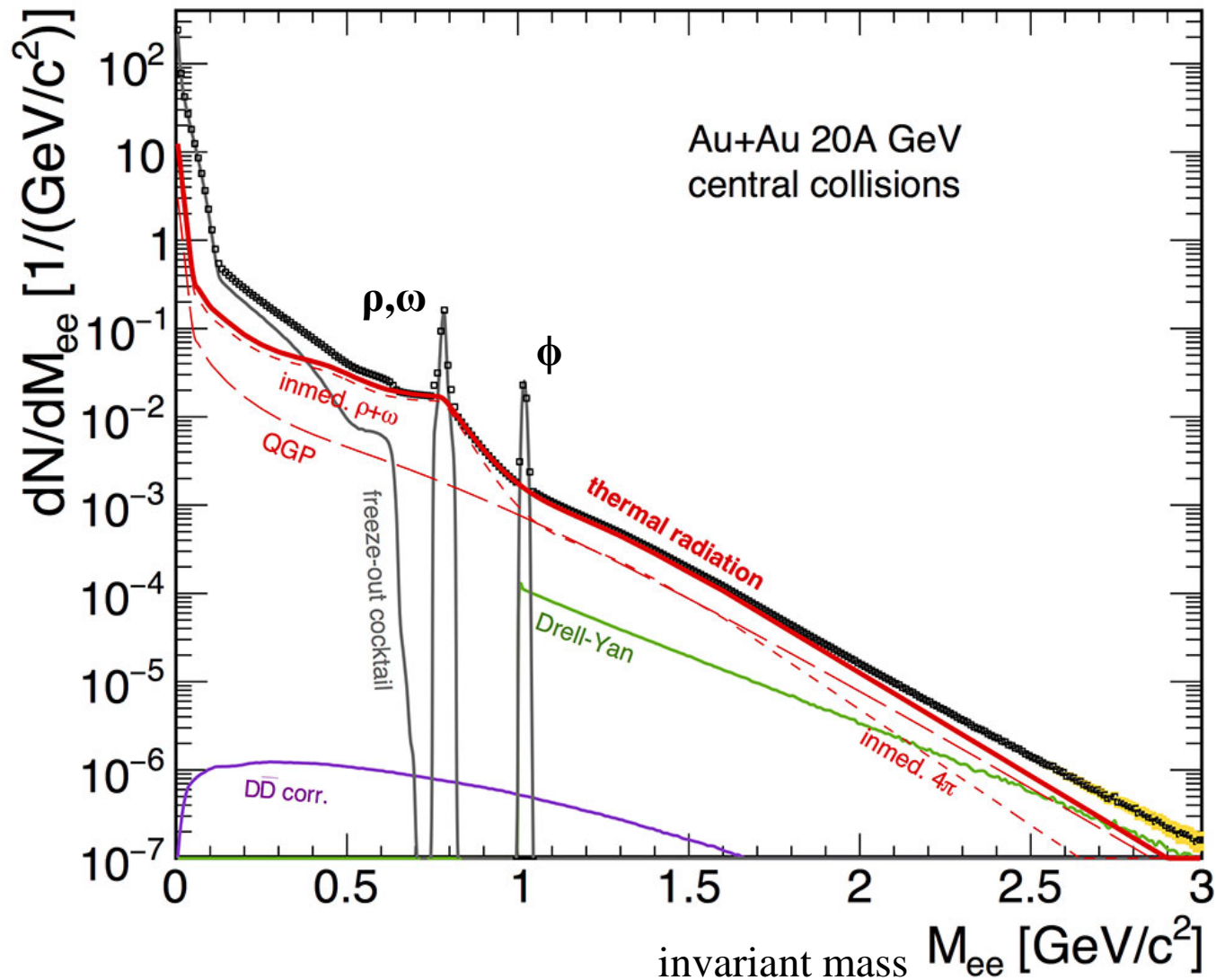
Search for strange matter in the form of strange dibaryons and heavy multi-strange short-lived objects

Production in nucleus-nucleus collisions via coalescence of hyperons and light nuclei

- existence and yield of (exotic) strange objects ?
- $\Lambda\Lambda$, $N\Lambda$ interactions ?
- remnants of dense (chirally restored?) matter?

Deconfinement phase transition at high μ_B ?

e^+e^- pairs



simulation

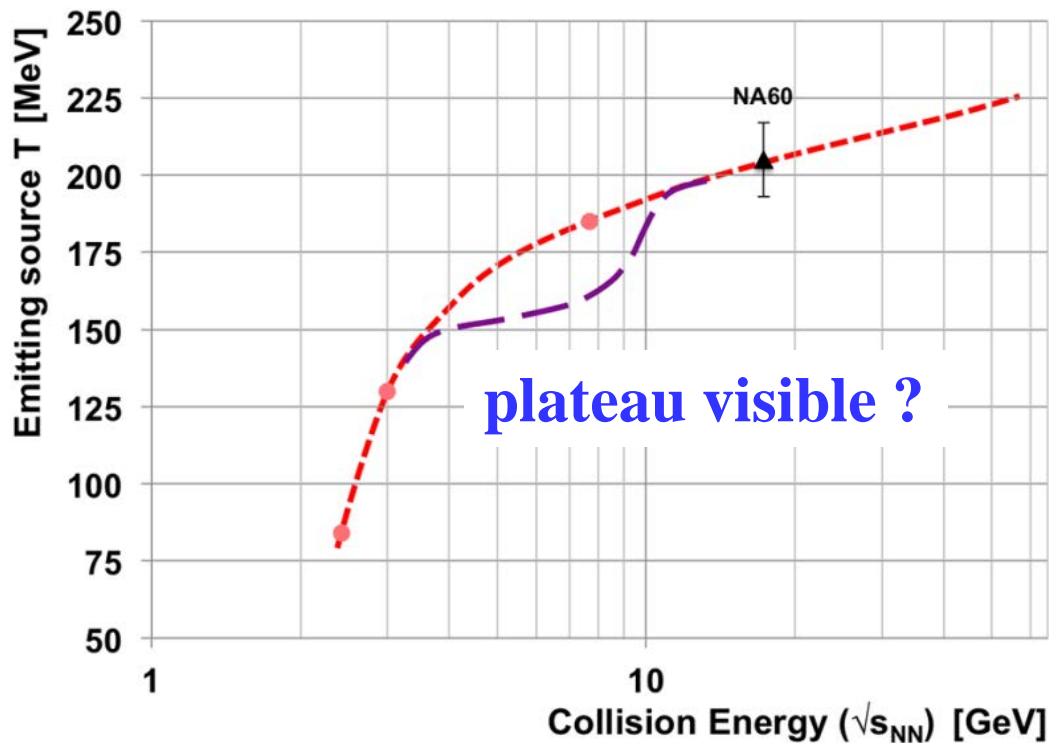
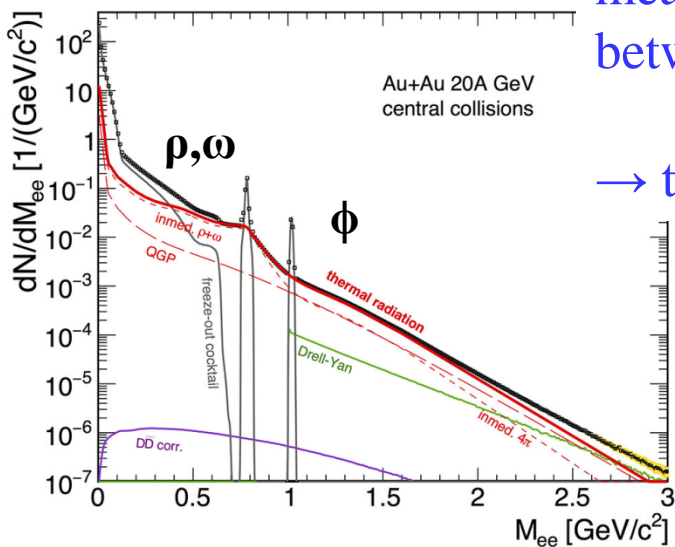
within
CBM acceptance

Deconfinement phase transition at high μ_B ?

e^+e^- pairs

measurement of the di-lepton invariant-mass distribution between 1 and 2.5 GeV/c2 for different beam energies

→ thermal radiation T



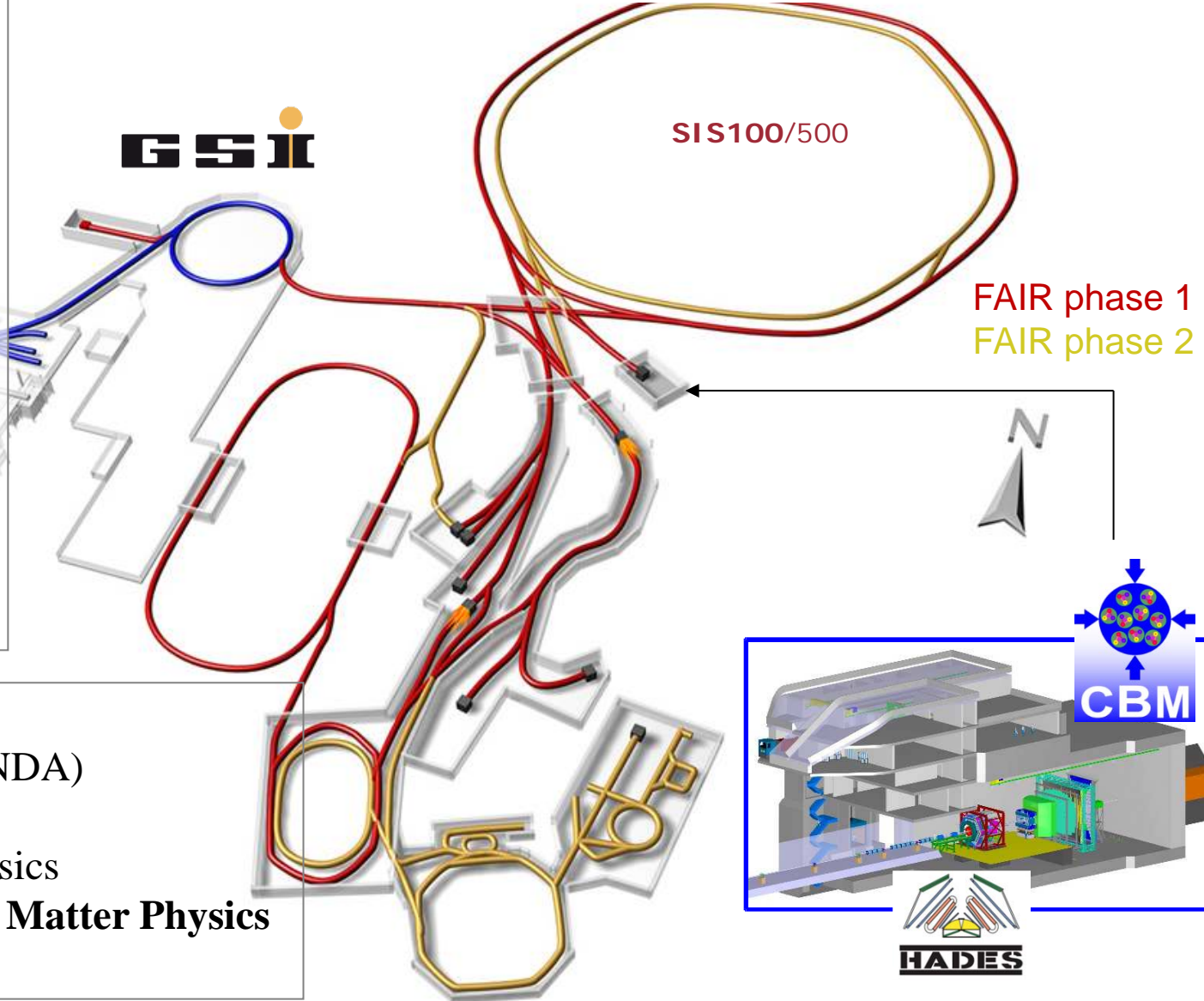


Using beams from two synchrotrons for parallel operation :

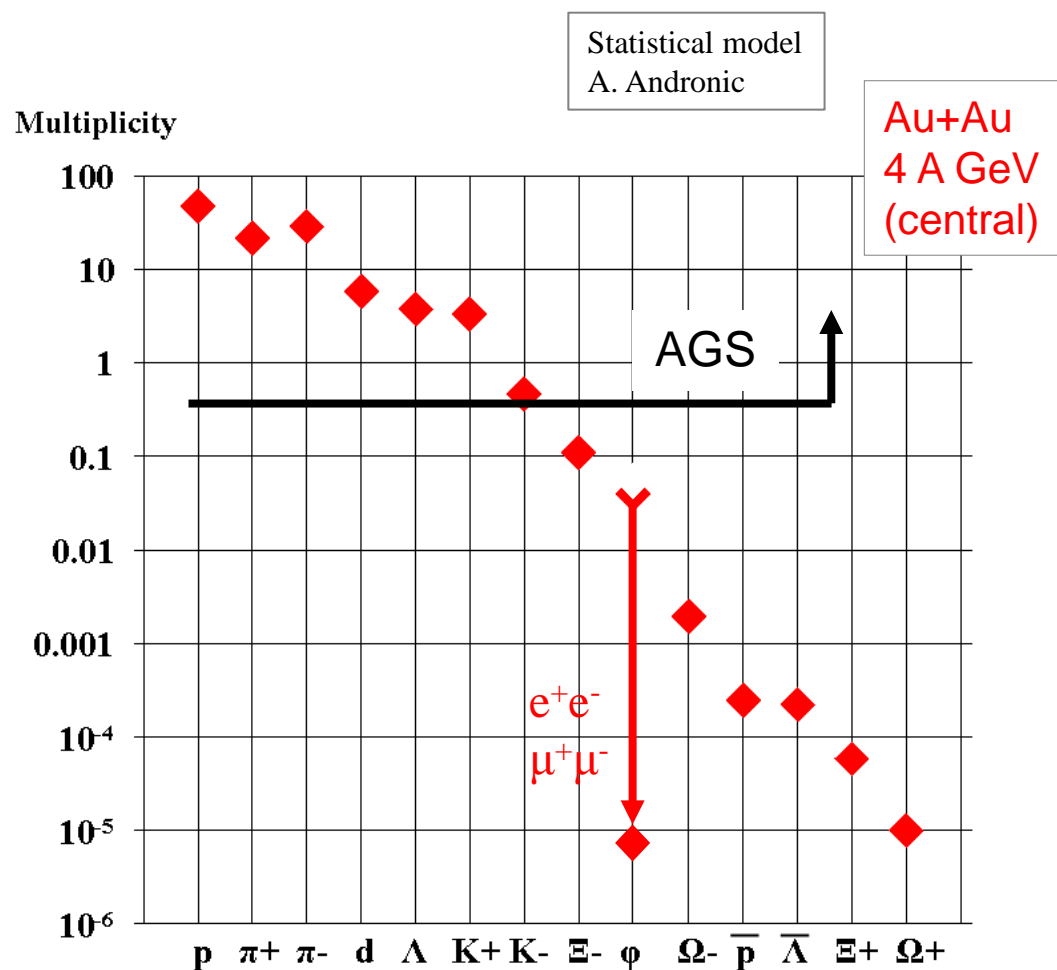
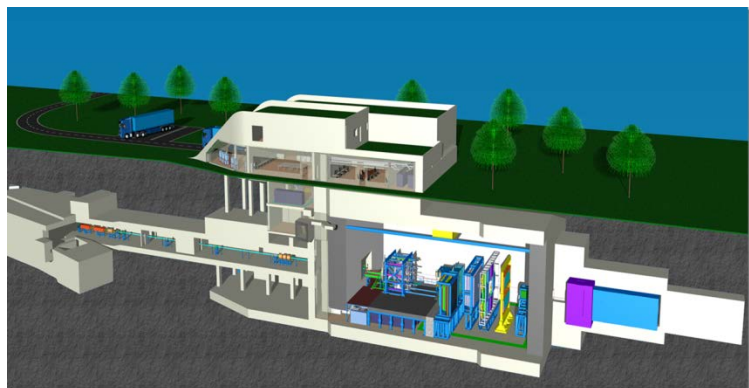
SIS100:
2-29 GeV (protons)
2-14 A GeV (Ca)
2-11 A GeV (Au)

SIS300:
2-89 GeV (protons)
2-44 A GeV (Ca)
2-35 A GeV (Au)

- Hadron spectroscopy with anti-protons (PANDA)
- Rare Isotope beams
- Atomic & Plasma Physics
- **Compressed Nuclear Matter Physics**
CBM & HADES



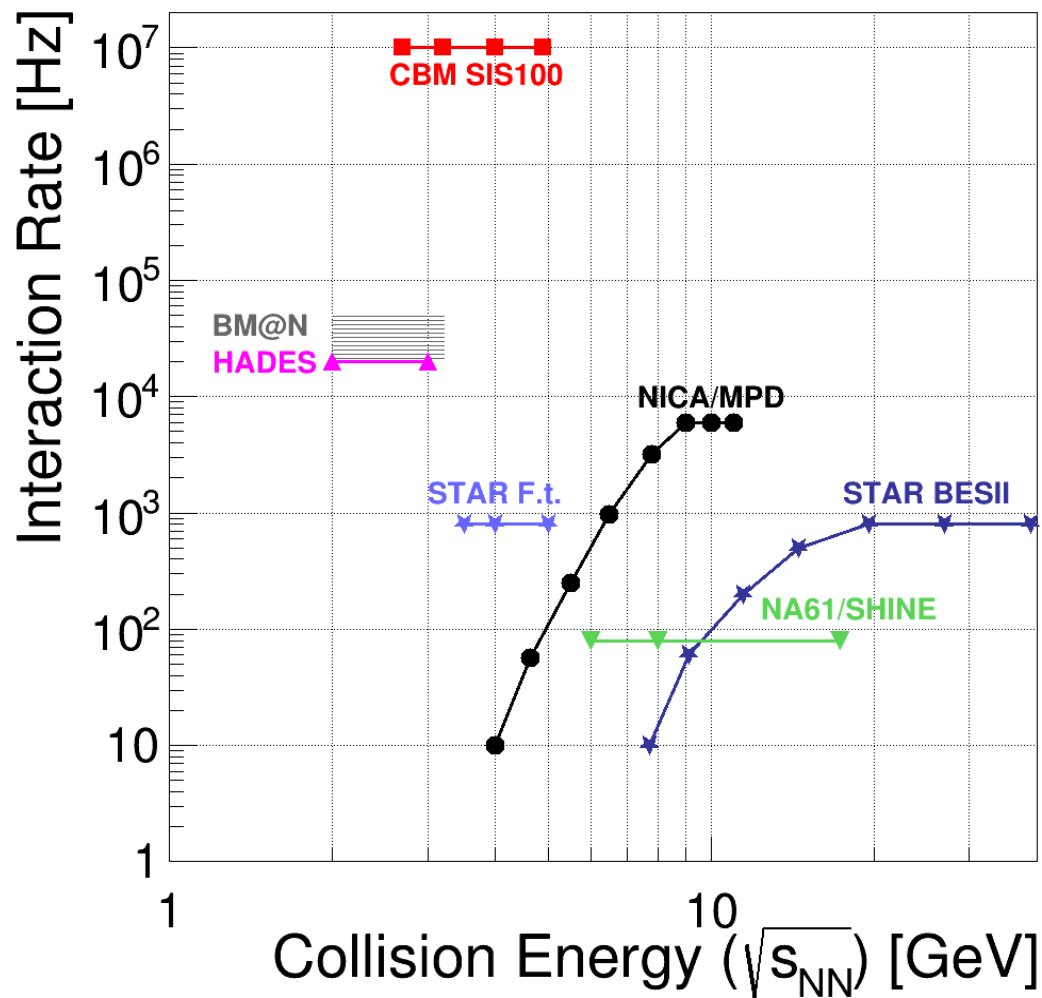
Experimental challenge ?



Rare probes \rightarrow extremely high interaction rates required !

Experiments exploring dense QCD matter

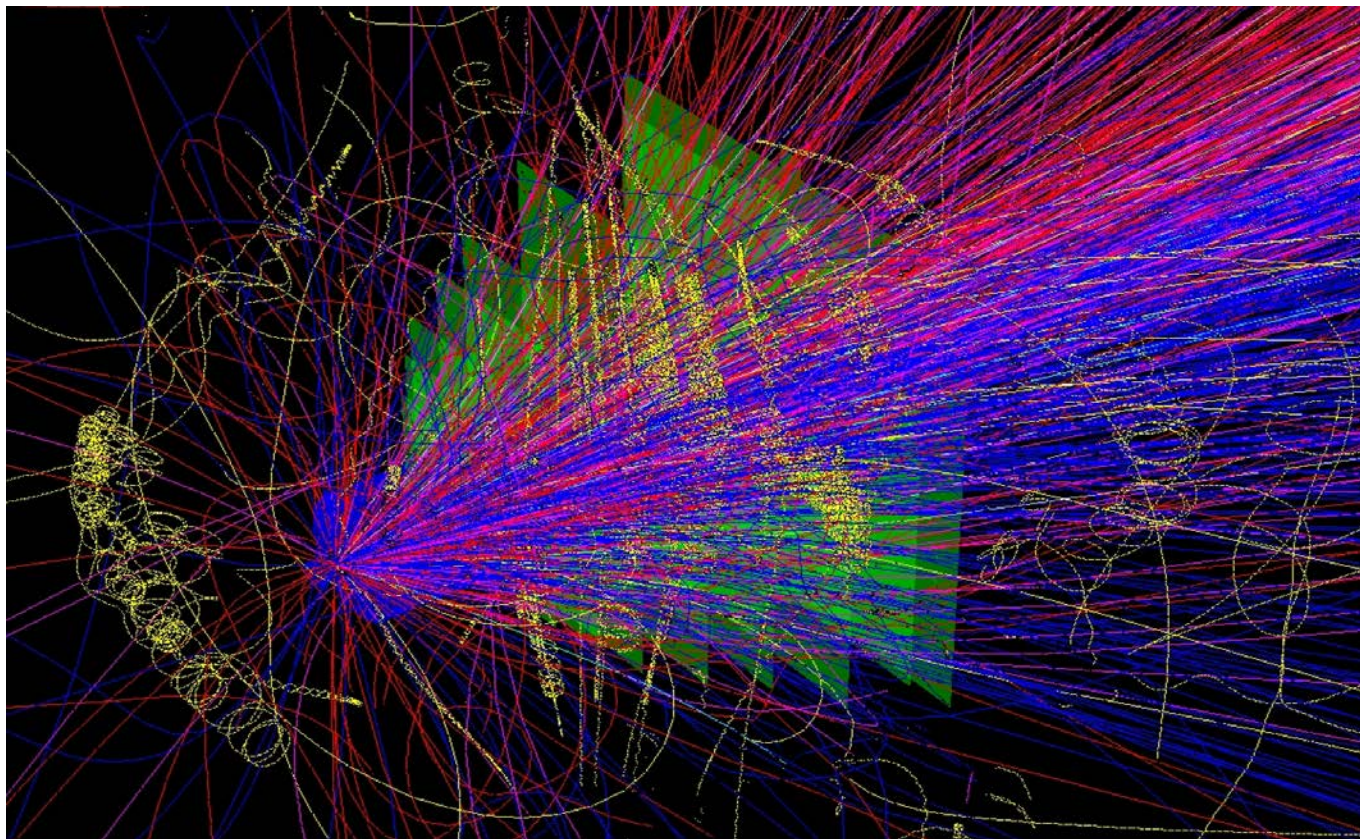
Rate capabilities



FAIR energies (Au ions)

E_{kin}^{lab} [A·GeV]	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ [GeV]
2	2.7
11	4.9
14 (Ca @ SIS100)	5.5
29 (p @ SIS100)	7.6
phase 2 (SIS300):	
30	7.7
35	8.3
44 (Ca @ SIS300)	9.3
89 (p @ SIS300)	13.0

CBM experimental challenges



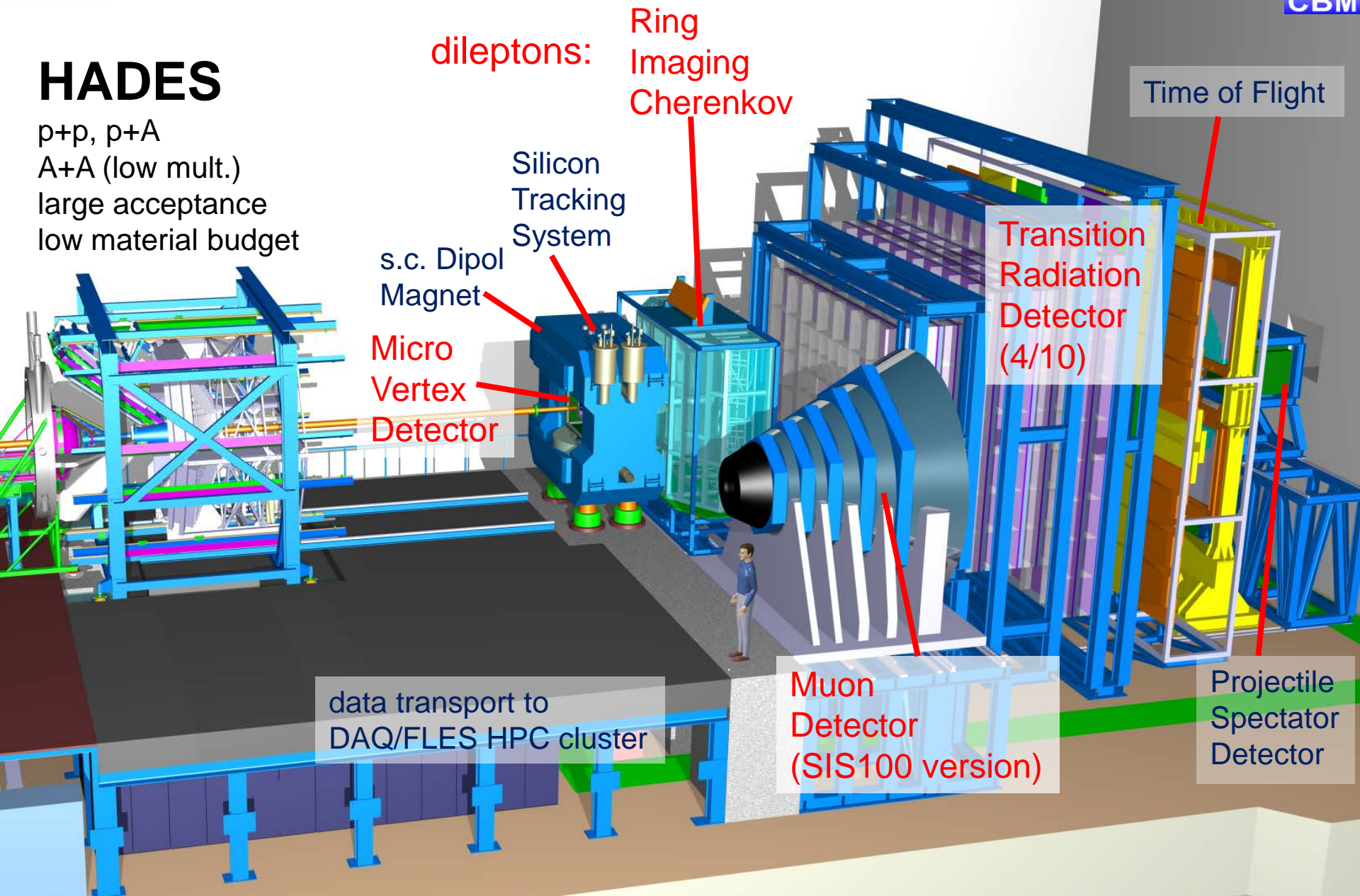
Simulation
Au+Au at 25 AGeV
UrQMD+GEANT4:
160 p,
400 π^+ , 400 π^- ,
44 K^+ , 13 K^-

Unprecedented collision rates: $10^5 - 10^7$ Au+Au collisions / sec

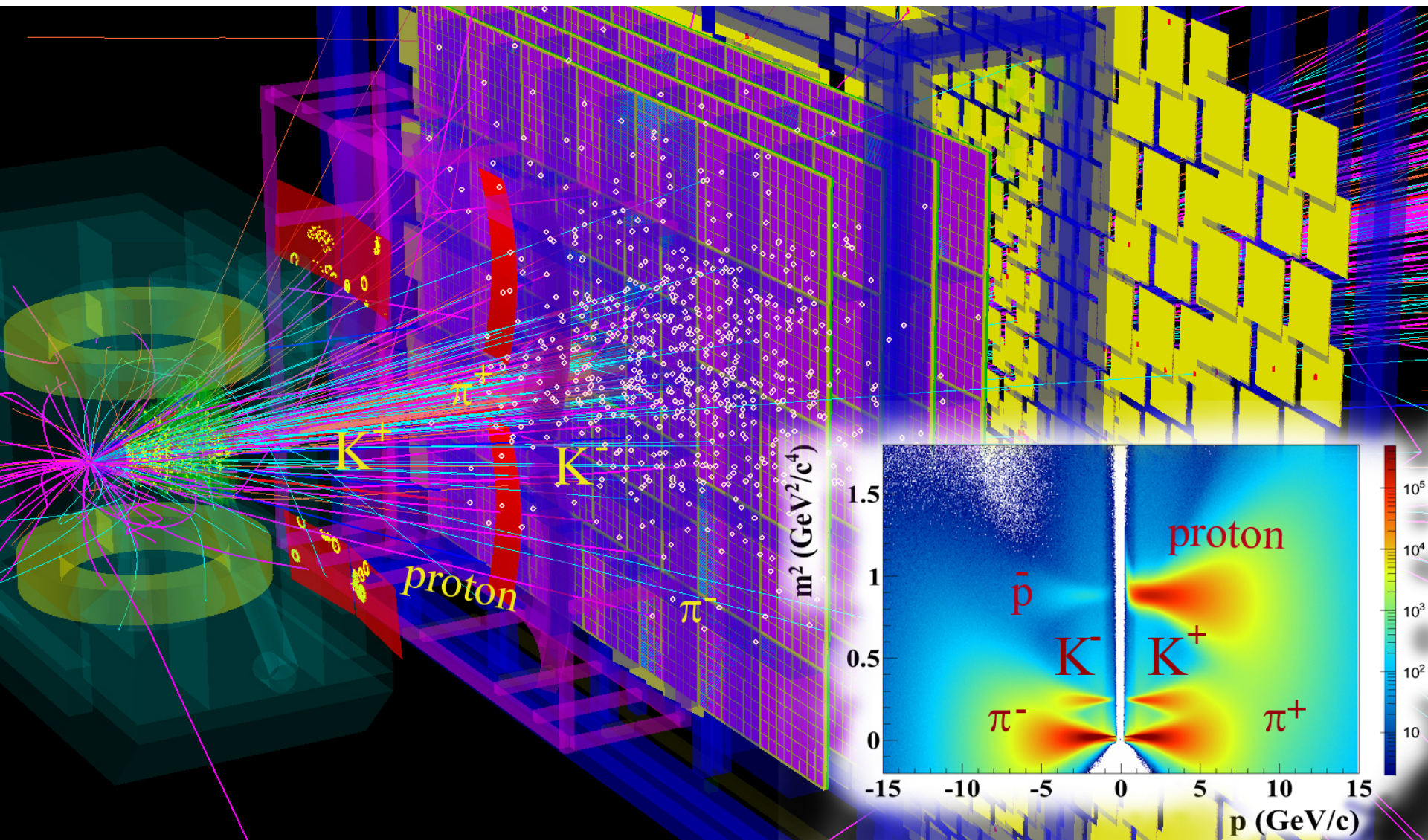
- fast and radiation hard detectors
- free-streaming read-out electronics
- high speed data acquisition and
high performance computer farm for online event reconstruction and selection
- 4-D event reconstruction

HADES

$p+p$, $p+A$
 $A+A$ (low mult.)
large acceptance
low material budget



CBM particle identification

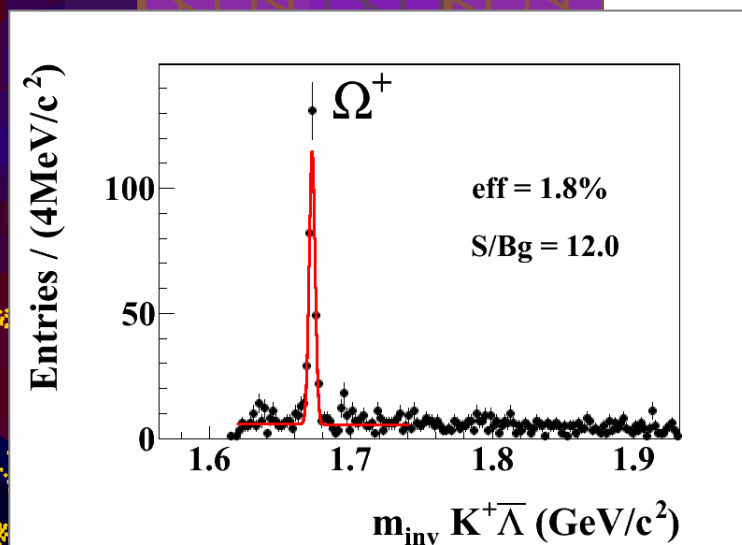


Anti-hyperon reconstruction

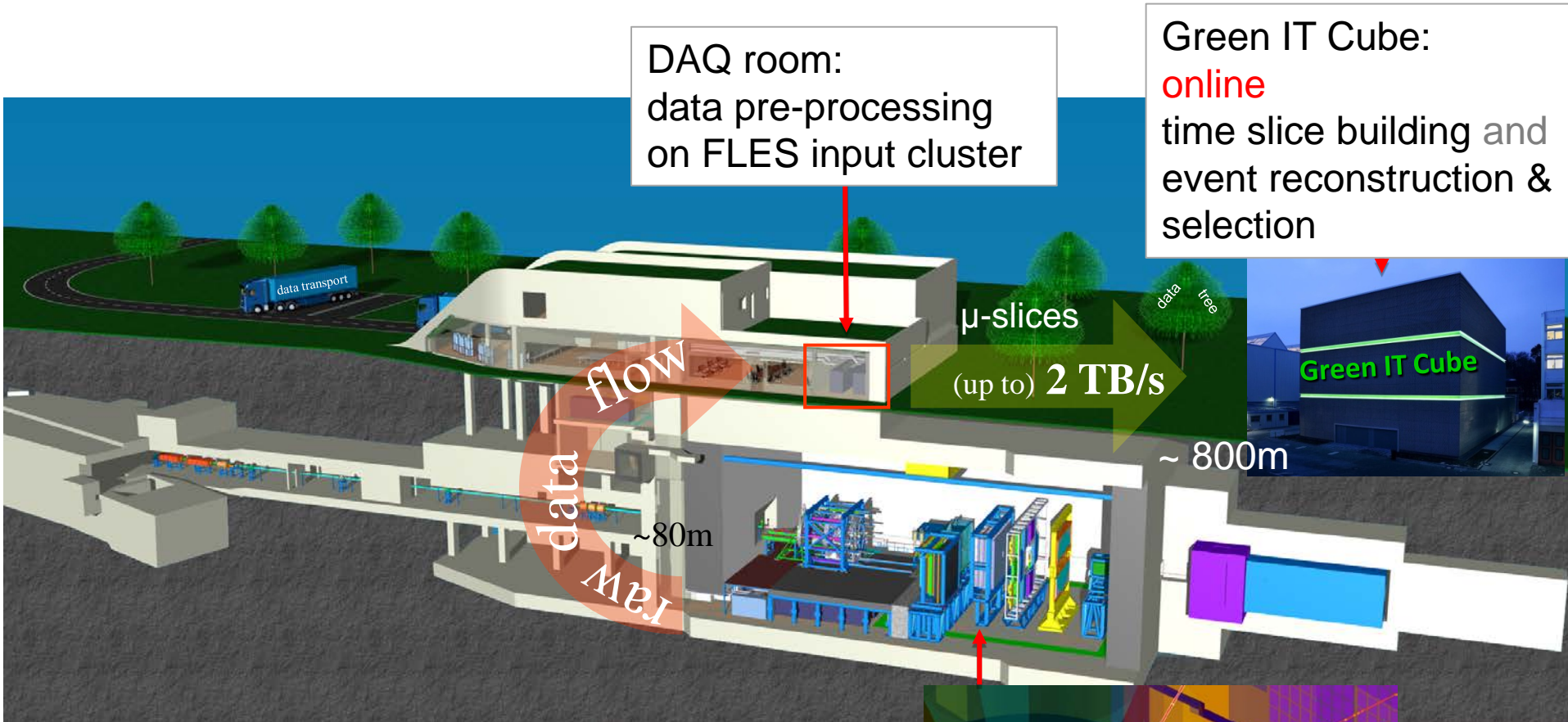
Input:
UrQMD 3.2
Au+Au 25 AGeV
central collision



hits in STS stations

 π^+ K^+ \bar{p} 

The high-performance free-streaming DAQ system of CBM

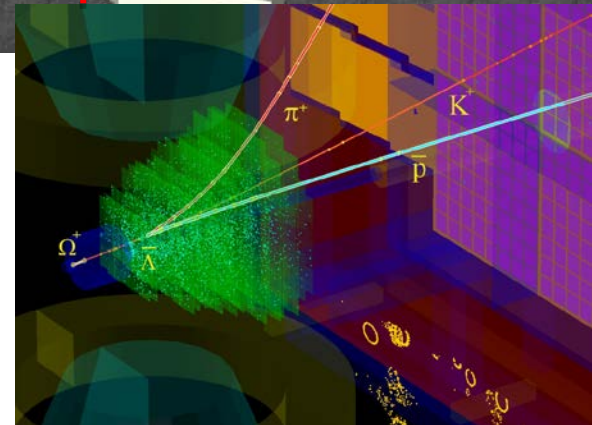


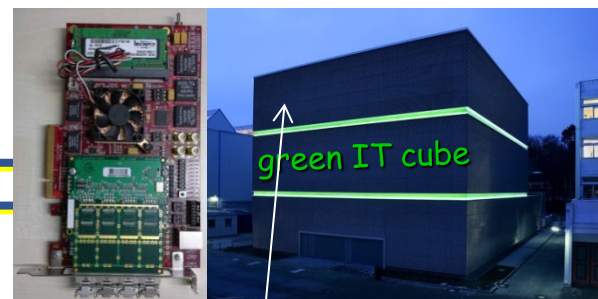
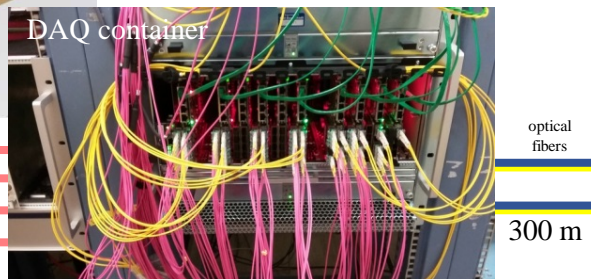
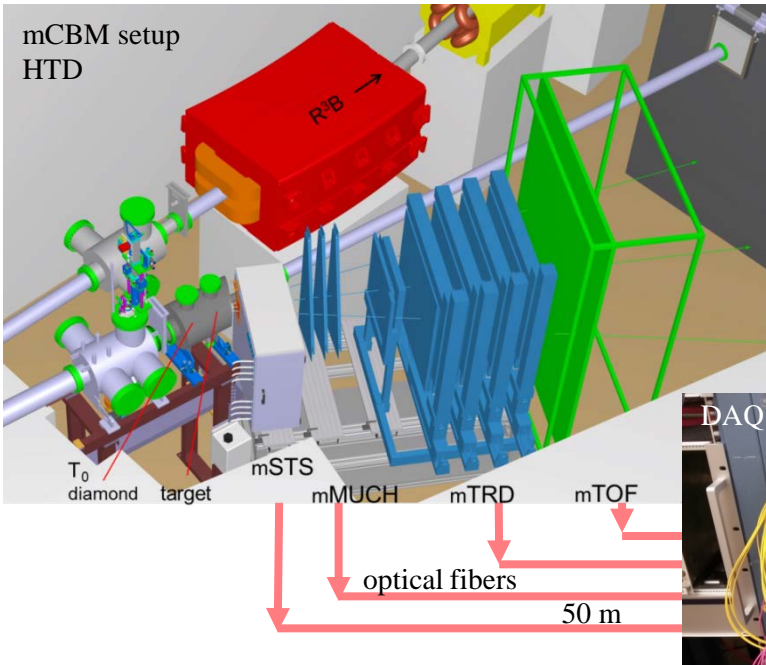
DAQ room:
data pre-processing
on FLES input cluster

Green IT Cube:
online
time slice building and
event reconstruction &
selection

Free-streaming DAQ system

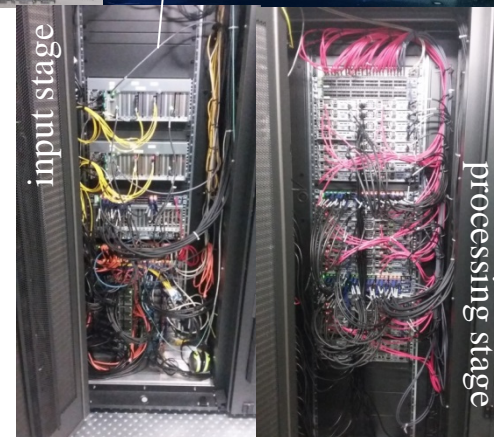
- all detector hits with time stamps
- software based event reconstruction & selection





mCBM@SIS18 - a CBM full system test-setup for high-rate nucleus-nucleus collisions at GSI/FAIR

- CBM prototype detector systems
- free-streaming read-out and data transport to the mFLES inside the GreenITCube
- online event reconstruction and selection
- up to 10 MHz collision rate
- first successful commissioning with beam in Dec. 2018 and March 2019





mRICH:
Univ. of
Gießen &
Wuppertal

mTOF:
Univ. of
Heidelberg

mTRD:
Univ. of
Münster &
Frankfurt

mMUCH:
VECC
Kolkata

Diamond T0:
GSI

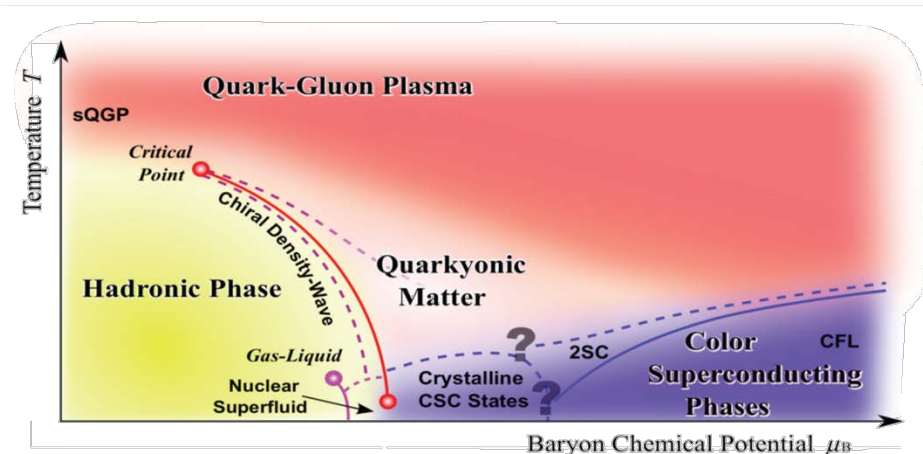
mSTS:
GSI &
Univ. of
Tübingen

mFLES:
FIAS &
Univ. of
Frankfurt

Summary – CBM Program

Open questions at high net baryon densities

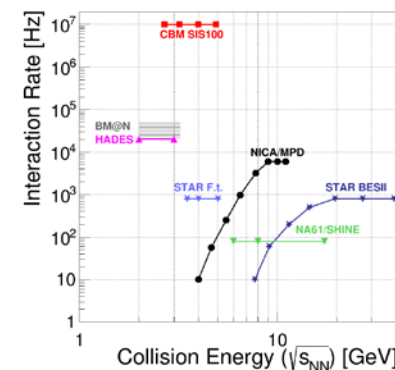
- Phase transition from hadronic matter to quarkyonic or partonic matter ?
- Chiral phase transition ? Chiral restoration ?
- In-medium modification of hadrons ?
- Nuclear equation-of-state at neutron star core densities ?



→ **substantial discovery potential with CBM at FAIR**

Extremely rare probes

→ CBM high-tec developments
to achieve unprecedented collision rates (10 MHz)



Commissioning of a precursor experiment, full-system test mCBM@SIS18 (“mini-CBM”) has started → planned program until 2023, potential physics results

