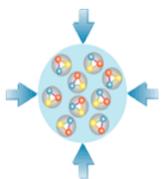


# Physics of Compressed Baryonic Matter and the CBM Experiment

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# Outline

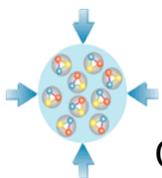
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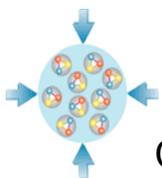
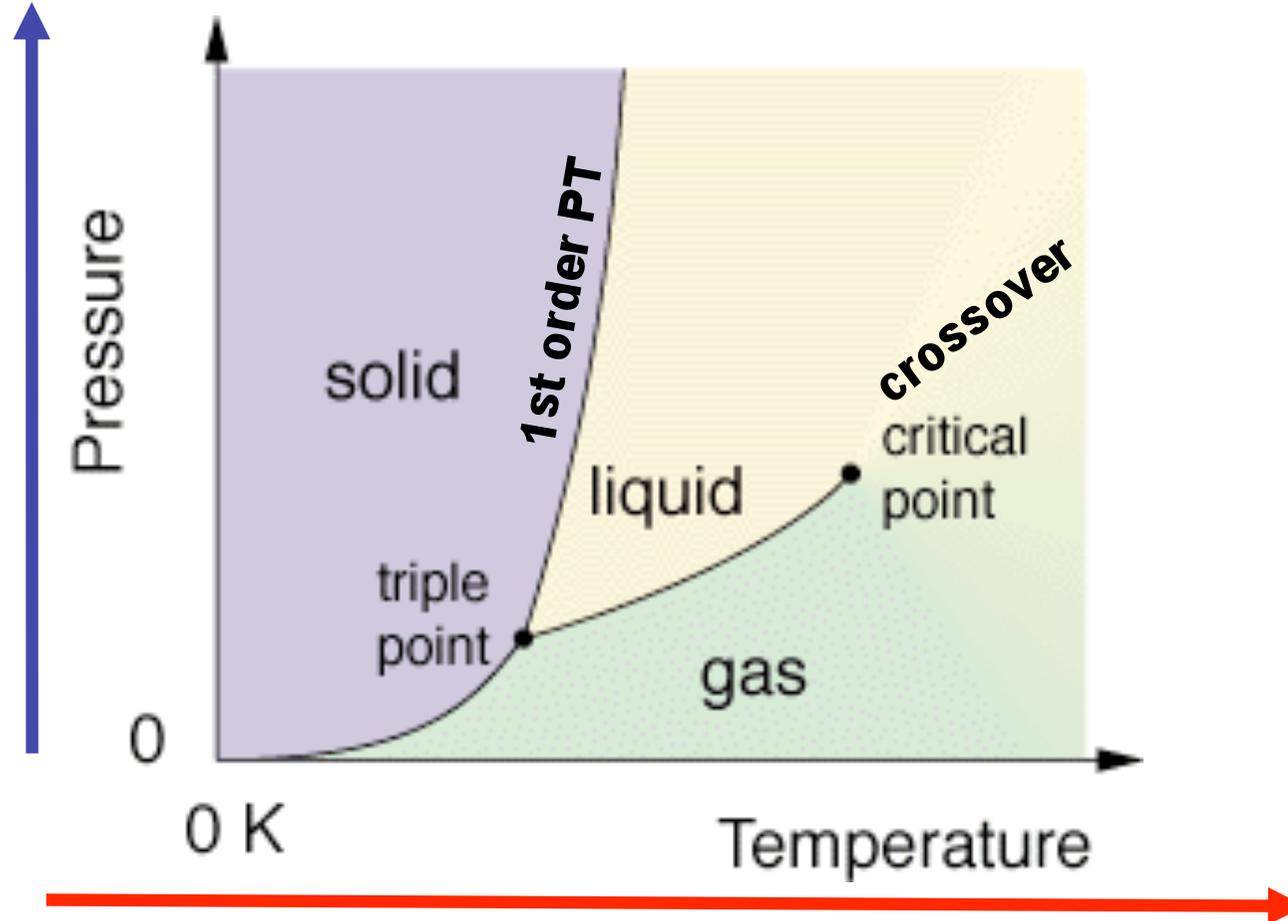
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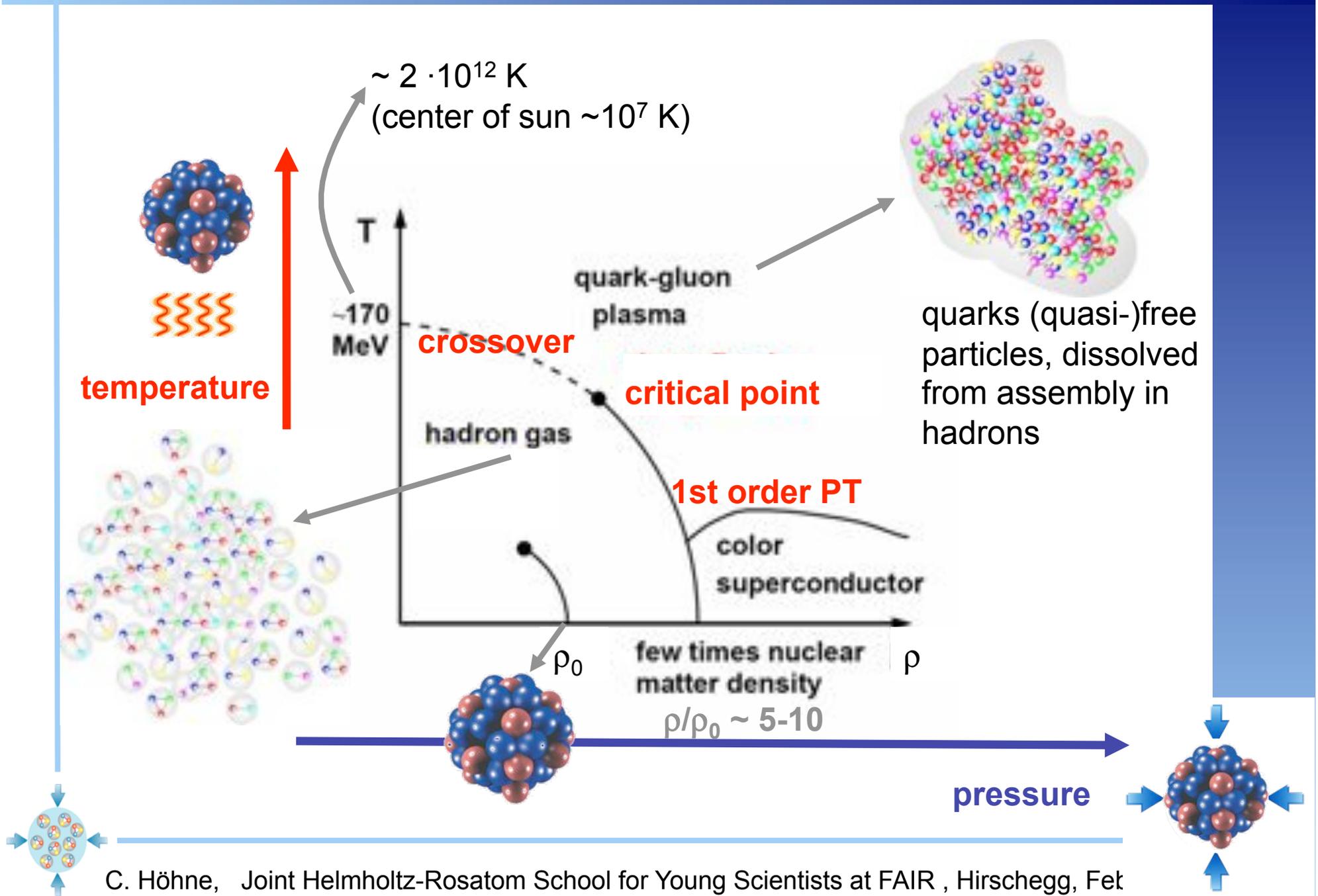


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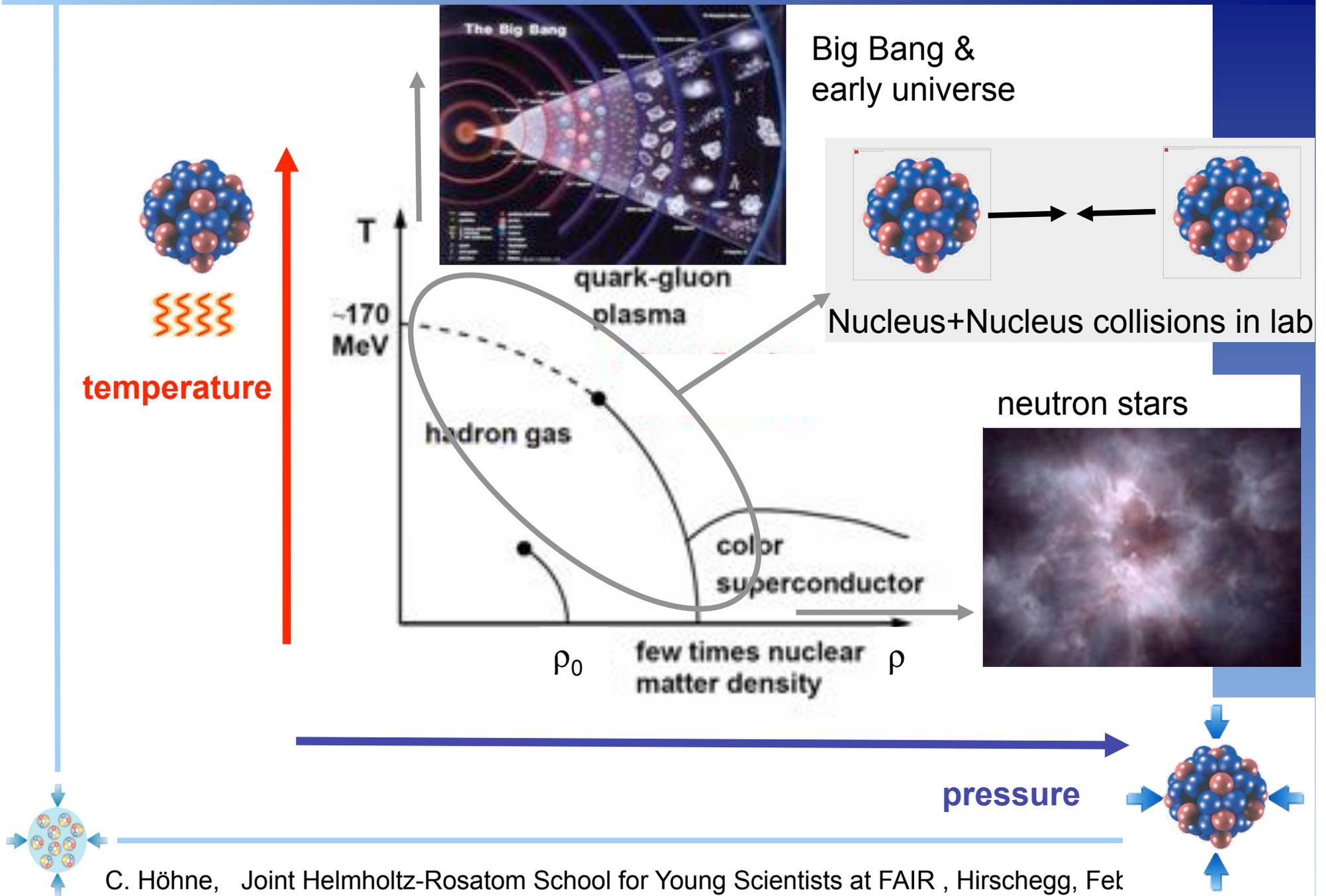
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- phasediagram for hot and dense nuclear matter?



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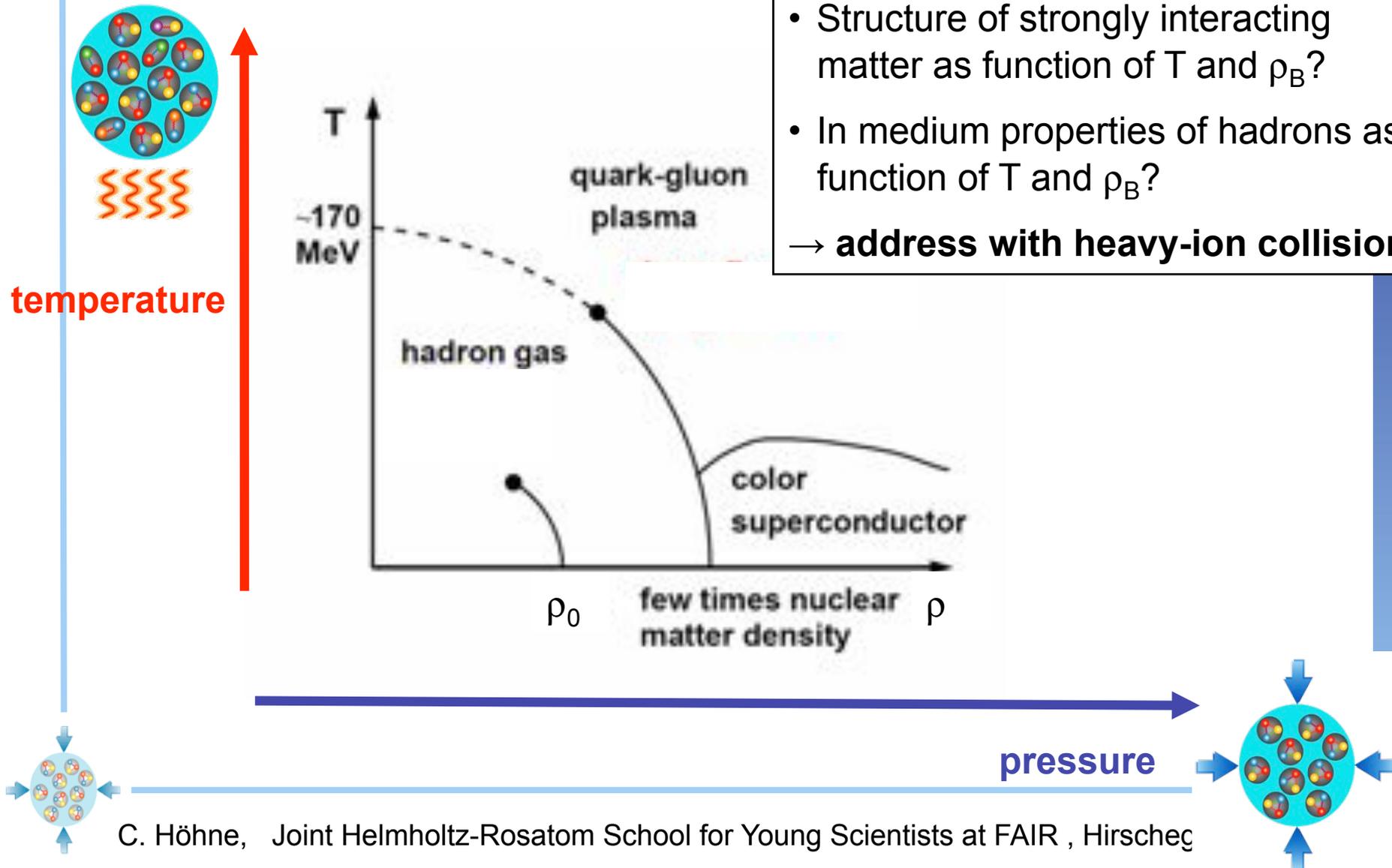
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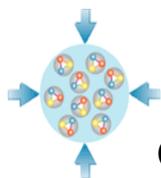
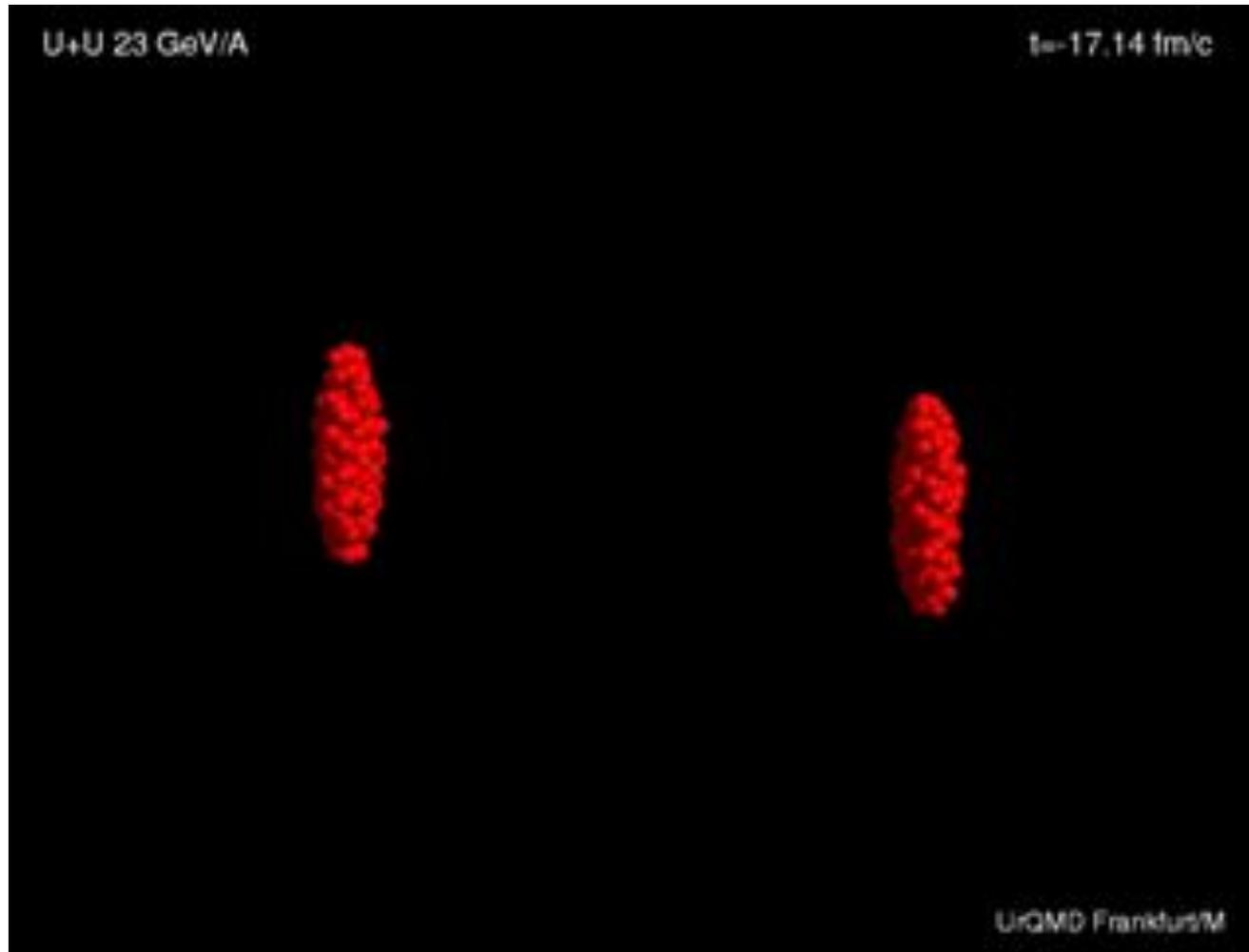
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# Heavy ion collisions

simulation of a U+U collision at 23 GeV/A (UrQMD)



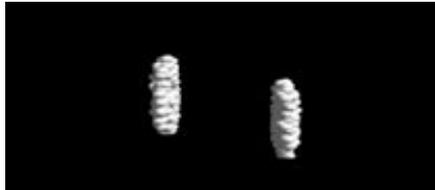
**nucleons**

**mesons**

**excited baryons**

# Phases of a heavy ion collision

UrQMD 160 GeV Au+Au



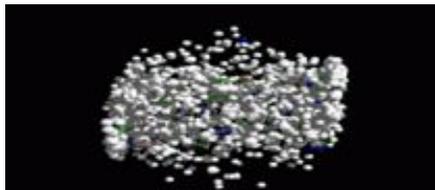
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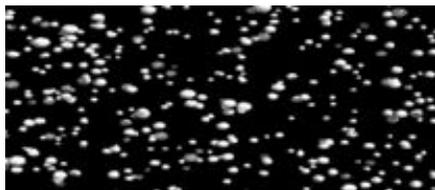
compression and heating



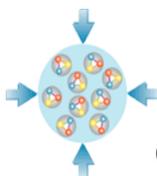
thermalization of the "fireball"  
(high T and  $\rho$  reached for  $\sim 10\text{fm}/c = 3.3 \cdot 10^{-23}\text{ s}$ )



expansion



chemical freezeout (number and type of particles frozen)  
kinetic freezeout (particle momenta frozen)

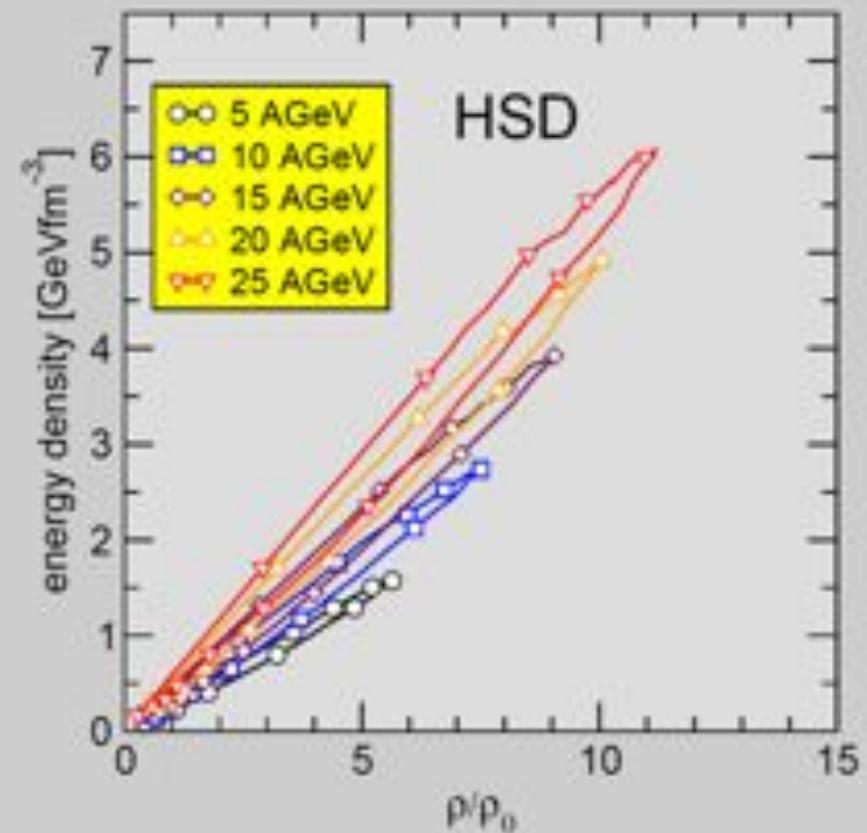
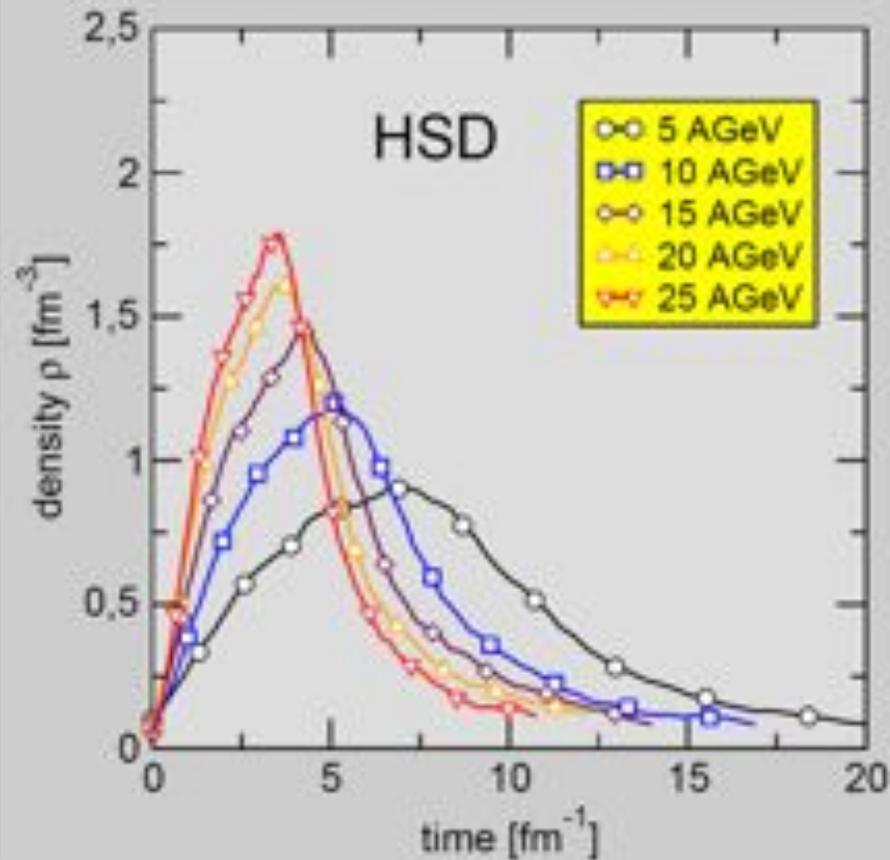


# Heavy ion collisions (II)

simulation of Au+Au collisions at different beam energies

→ maximum baryon densities  $\rho$  increase with beam energy

→ energy densities also increase with beam energy



[CBM physics group, C. Fuchs priv. com.]

# Particle production

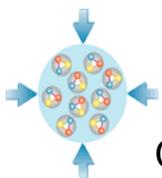
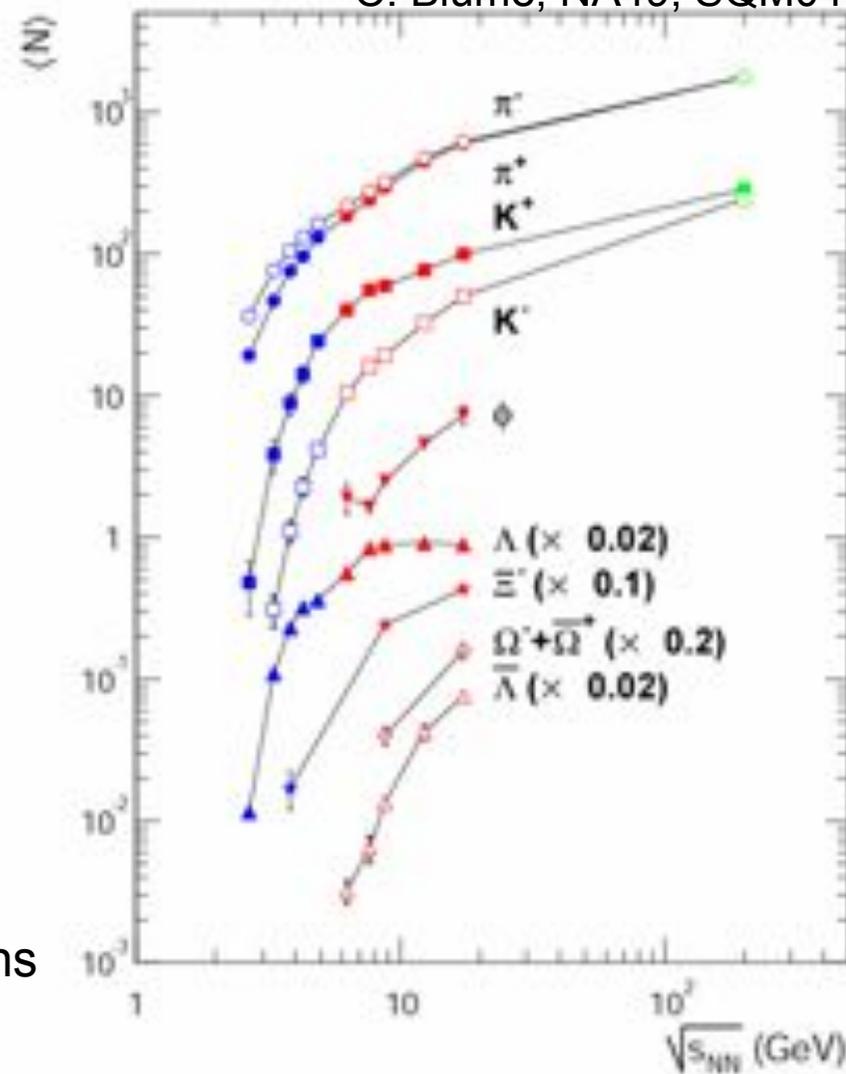
~ 90% of all produced particles are pions

~10% kaons

one of the most rare ones are e.g.  $\Omega$  baryons (sss)

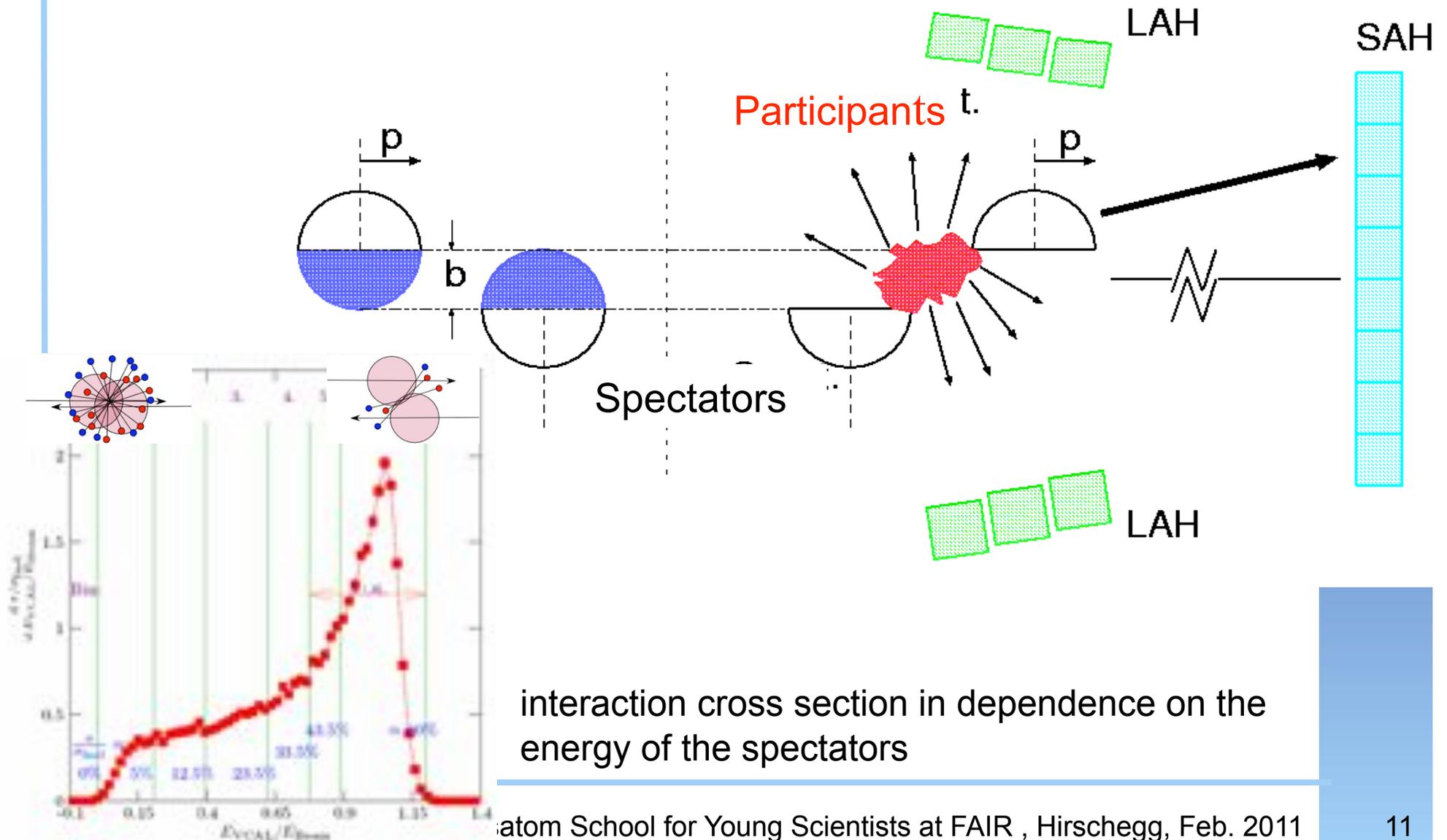
total particle multiplicities in central Au+Au / Pb+Pb collisions

C. Blume, NA49, SQM04



# A+A collisions (II)

- centrality of the collision can be measured by measuring the energy of the "spectators"  $\rightarrow N_{\text{spec}} \rightarrow$  extract also number of participating nucleons  $N_{\text{part}}$



# Particle production and statistical model

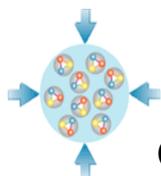
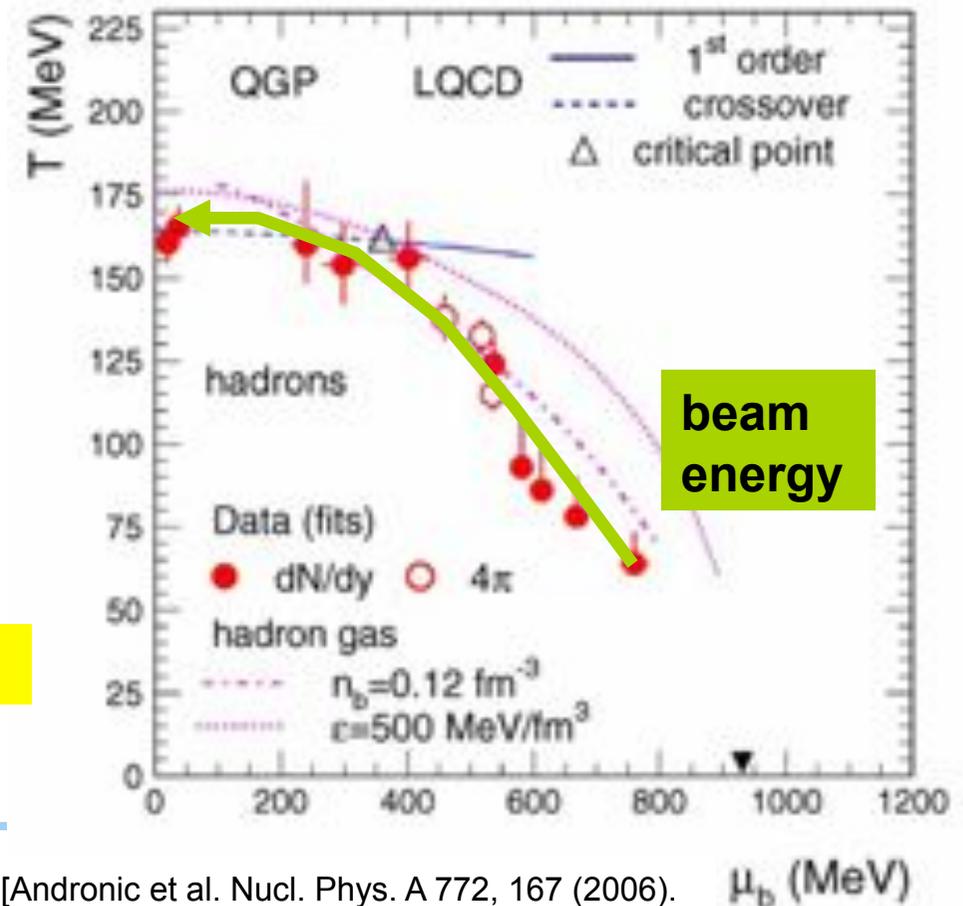
- number and type of produced particles can be nicely described with a statistical ansatz

$\rho_i$  = density of particle of type  $i$

$$\rho_i = \frac{g_i}{2\pi^2} \int \frac{p^2 dp}{\exp\left\{\frac{1}{T} (E_i - \mu_B B_i - \mu_S S_i)\right\} \pm 1}$$

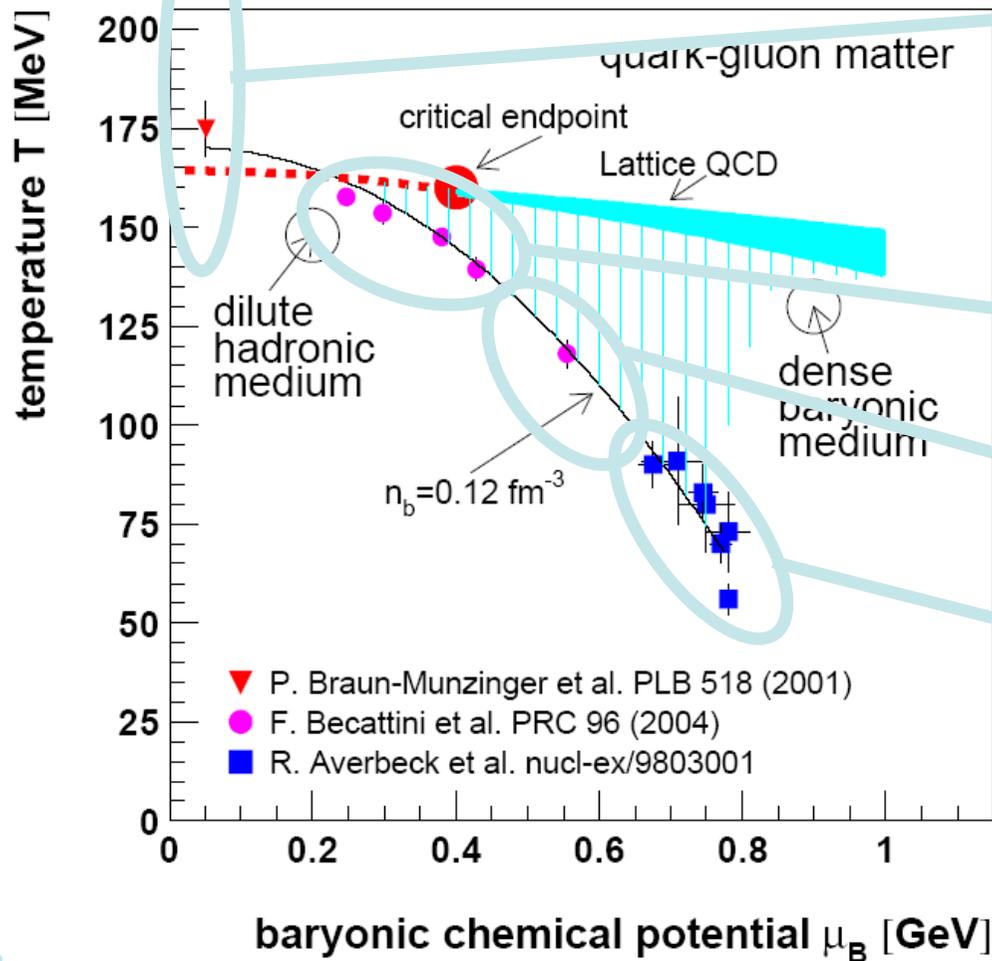
- assumption: all particles stem from a thermalized fireball at temperature  $T$  and baryon chemical potential  $\mu_b$
- depending on the volume (e.g. p+p, central Au+Au) a (micro)canonical or canonical partition function is used
- with three parameters:  $V$ ,  $T$ ,  $\mu_b$  particle yields can be explained

**very successful model!**



# What do we know from experiment?

- since 1980s heavy ion collision experiments at AGS, SPS
- 2000 start of RHIC, 2009 LHC
- ongoing experiments at SIS exploring „resonance matter“



RHIC Brookhaven  
 $\sqrt{s} = 130 - 200 \text{ GeV/nucleon}$   
 future: LHC

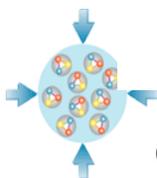
SPS CERN  
 20 -160 GeV/nucleon

AGS Brookhaven  
 2-10 GeV/nucleon

SIS18 GSI  
 < 2 GeV/nucleon

● ▼ ■ “freeze-out” points: final hadron yields described by statistical model:  $T, \mu_B, V$

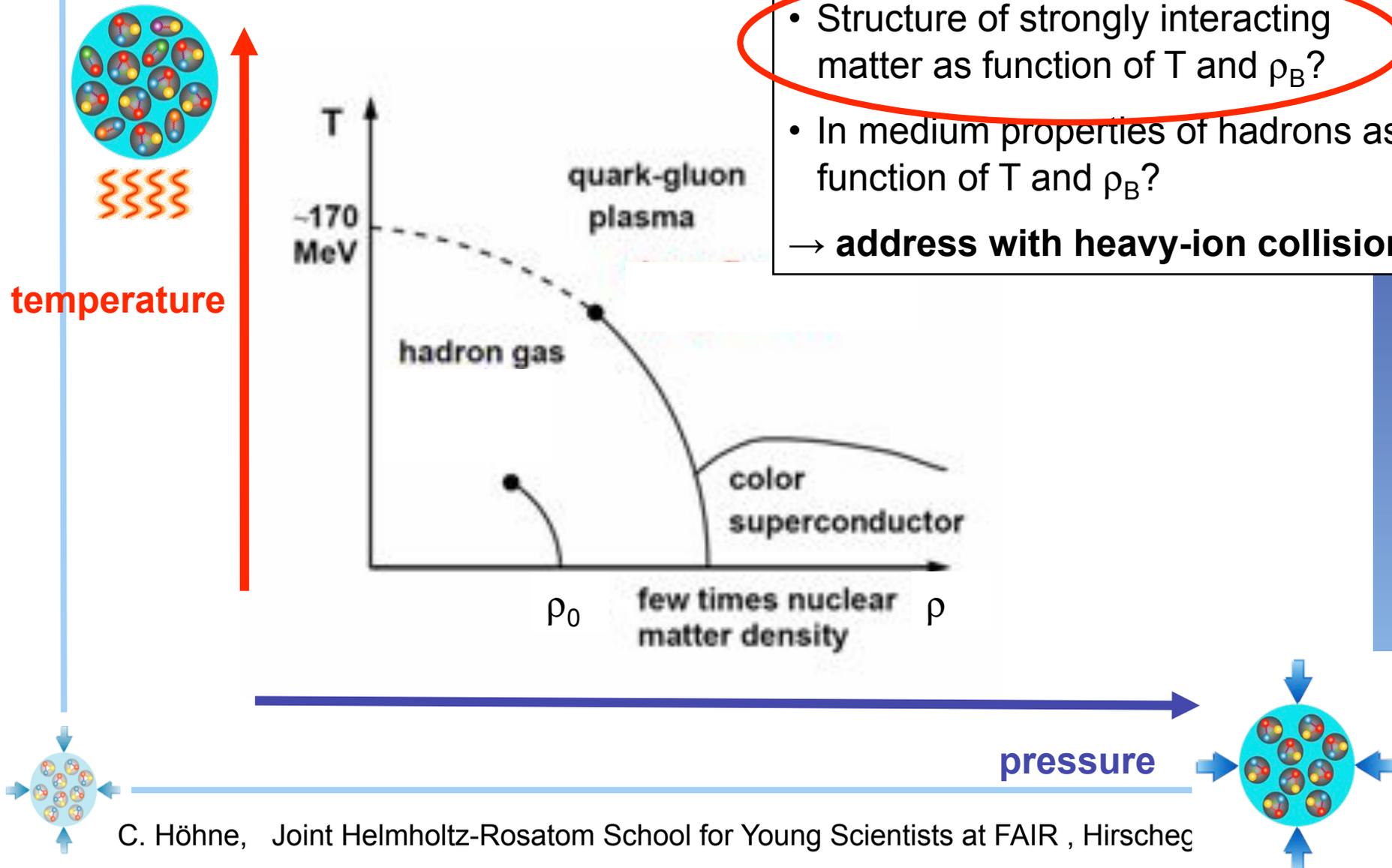
R. Averbeck et al., PRC 67 (2003) 024903



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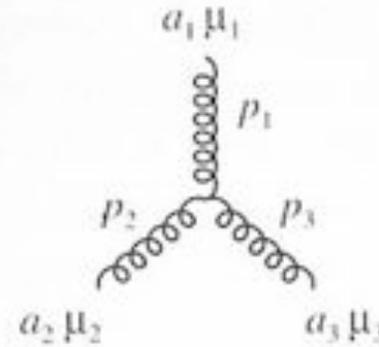
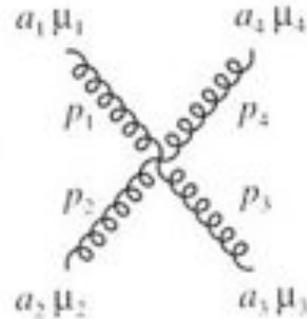
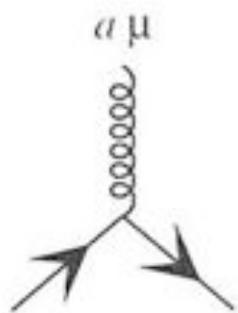
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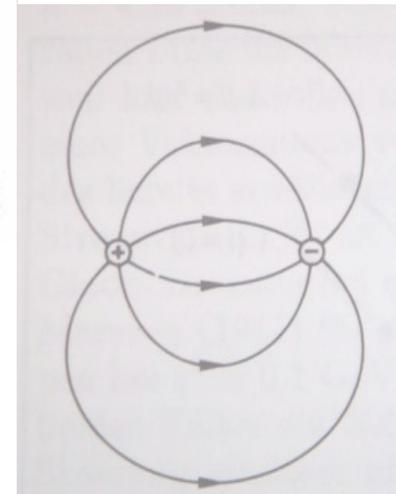


# The nature of the strong force

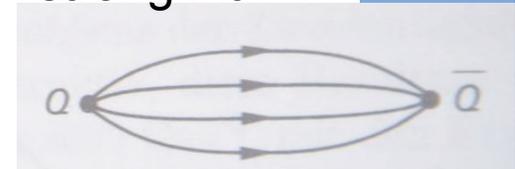
- interaction described by the exchange of gluons
- gluons carry color charge! → selfinteraction



electromagn. int.

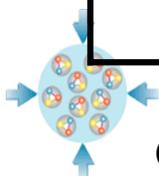


strong int.



→ flux tube, string

Property	QED	QCD
Charge	electric	colour
Bosons	photon (carries no charge)	gluons (carry charge)
Mass of boson	0	0
Screening	reduces bare charge	amplifies bare charge
Strength	$\alpha$	$\alpha_s(q^2) \propto \ln(q^2)^{-1}$

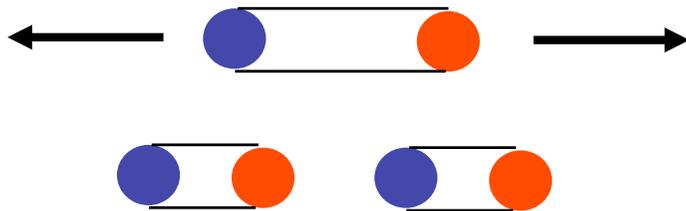


# QCD: Confinement

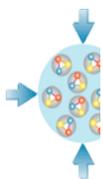
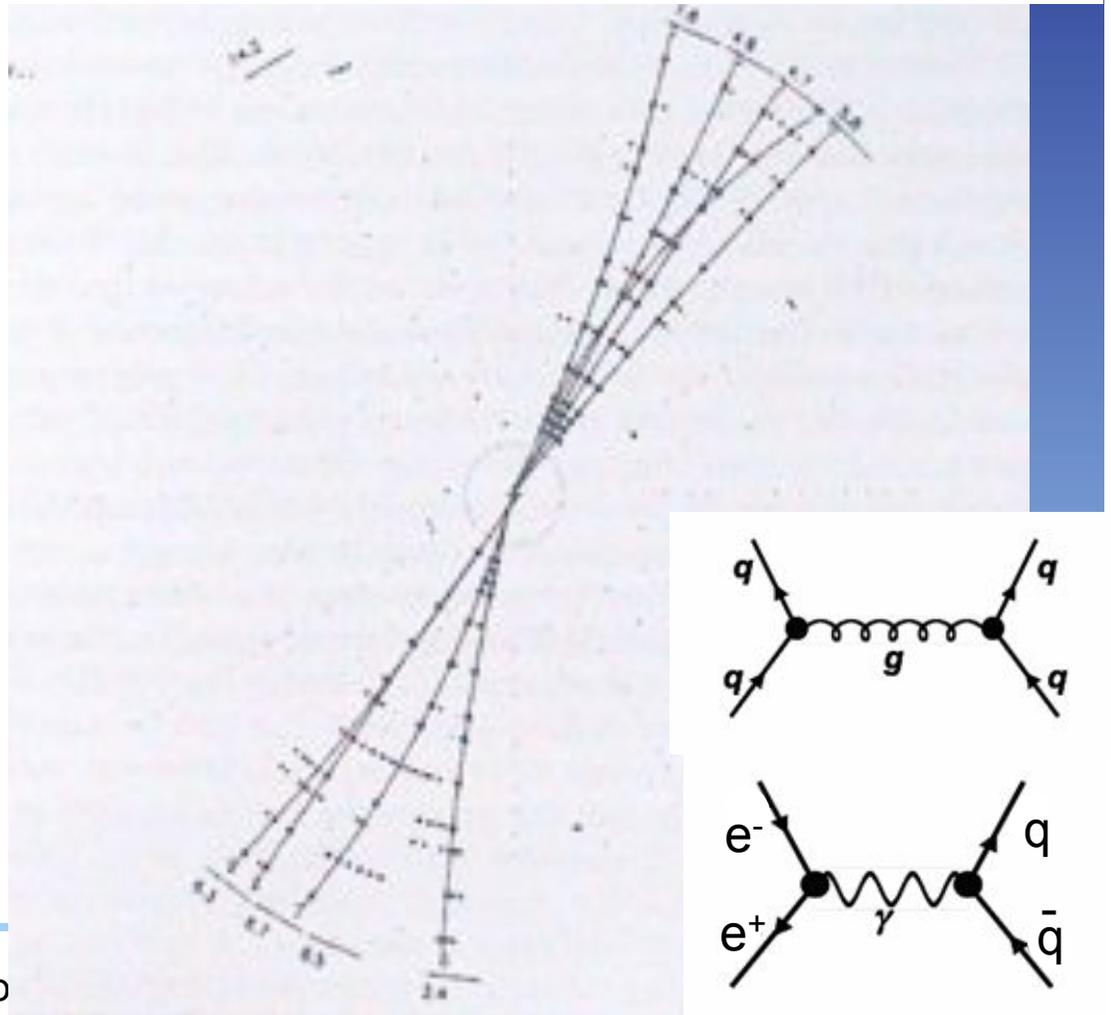
- small distances (large  $q^2$ ):  $V(r) \sim 1/r$  ← e.g. jets, spectroscopy of "charmonium" ( $c\bar{c}$ )  
→ perturbative calculations applicable ("pQCD")
- larger distances (small  $q^2$ ):  $V(r) \sim r$  ← e.g.  $J(M^2)$ , string model of hadrons  
→ perturbative ansatz does not converge!: phenomenological methods, LQCD

$$V(r) = -\frac{4\alpha_s \hbar c}{3r} + Kr$$

- with increasing distance of the quark more and more energy is stored in the "string" until it becomes favorable to produce a new pair of quarks

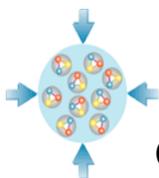


- "confinement": no free quarks
- "asymptotic freedom" for  $r \rightarrow 0$



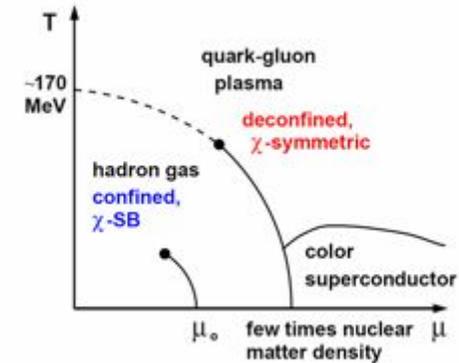
# Lattice - QCD

- because of the "running coupling constant"  $\alpha_s$  which is small only at large  $q^2$ , i.e. small distances, perturbative treatment of QCD is only applicable at small distances ("pQCD")
  - numerical method to treat larger distances "lattice QCD":
    - 4dim space-time lattice of size  $N_\sigma^3 \times N_\tau$  with lattice spacing  $a$
    - finally extrapolate to the continuum case:  $a \rightarrow 0$  and  $N_\tau \rightarrow \infty$
- calculations need large computer memory and speed!



# Lattice-QCD (II)

- calculations limited to certain observables and regions of the QCD phase diagram



- in particular calculations for  $\mu \neq 0$  are difficult and conceptual problems could only be solved a few years ago!

- $\mu_b = 0$

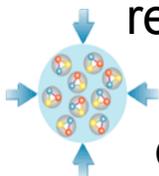
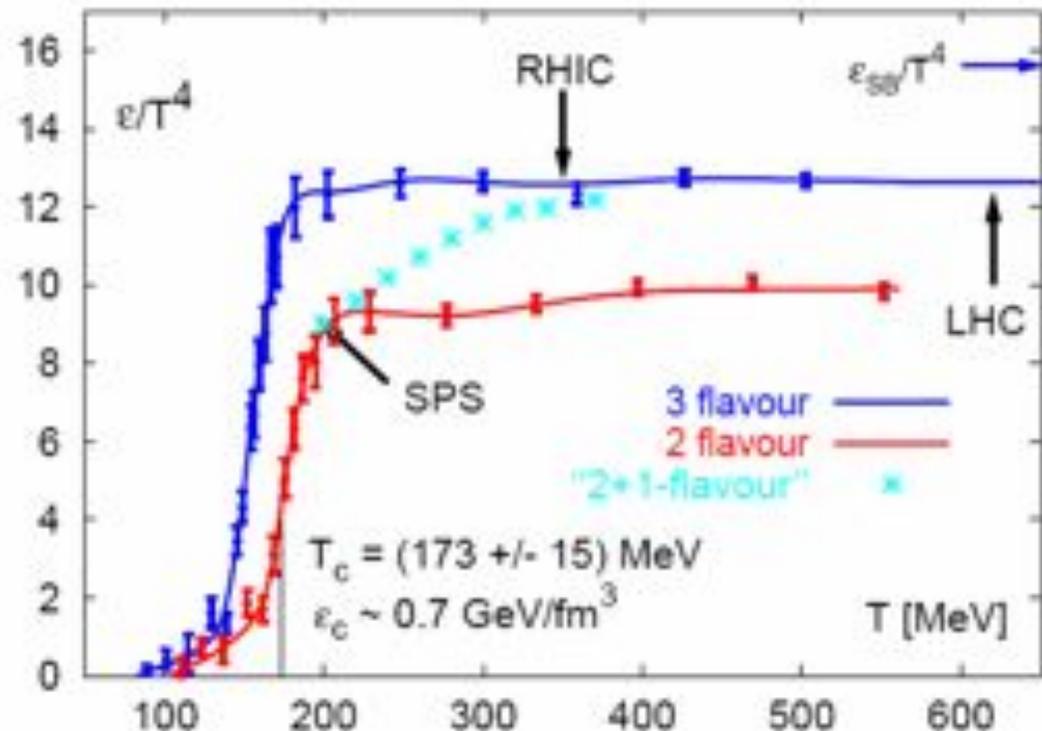
→ transition to deconfinement above a certain  $T_c$ !

$T_c \sim 175$  MeV

driven by energy density

$\epsilon_c \sim 1$  GeV/fm<sup>3</sup>

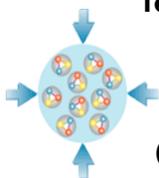
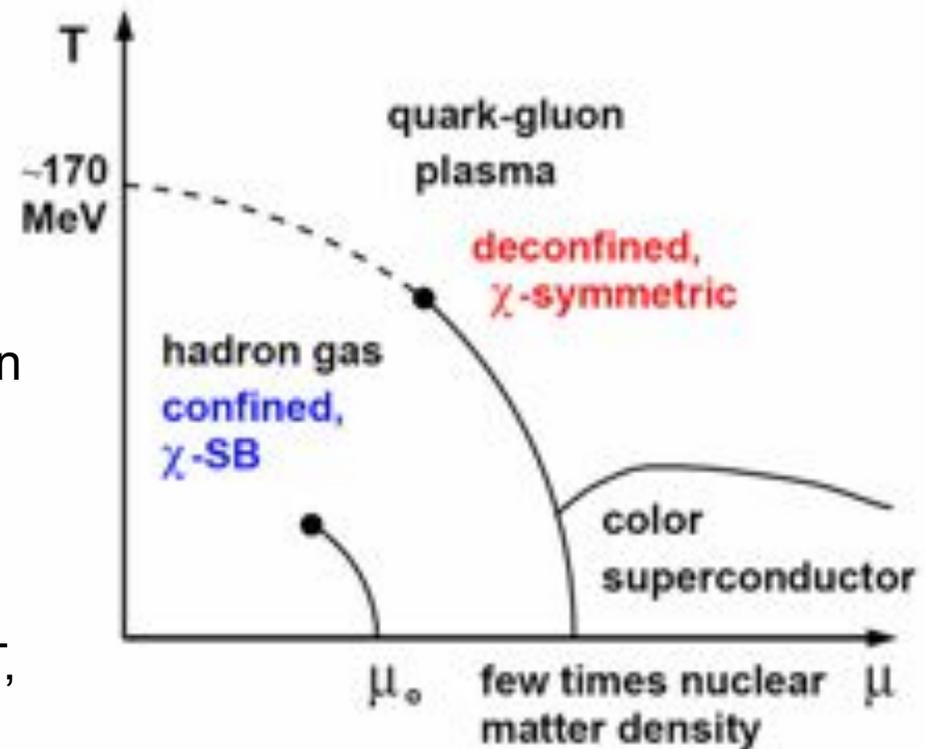
- quarks and gluons become relevant degrees of freedom



# Lattice - QCD (III)

- phase transition at  $\mu_b = 0$  : crossover  
= rapid change of properties but no clearly defined phase boundary
- $\mu_b > 0$  not yet completely settled ... but:
- first order phase transition at large  $\mu_b$   
→ e.g. latent heat  
phase coexistence region
- critical point  
 $T_{\text{crit}} \sim 160 \text{ MeV}$   $\mu_{\text{crit}} \sim 360 \text{ MeV}$
- low  $T$ ,  $\sim \rho_0$ : liquid gas phase transition  
nuclei → hadron gas
- low  $T$ , high  $\mu_b$ : color superconductor  
(quarks form Cooper pairs)
- chiral symmetry restoration at high  $T$ ,  
large  $\mu_b$

[F.Karsch, Z. Fodor, S.D.Katz]



# Experiments – Signatures ?

How to characterize the produced hot & dense matter?

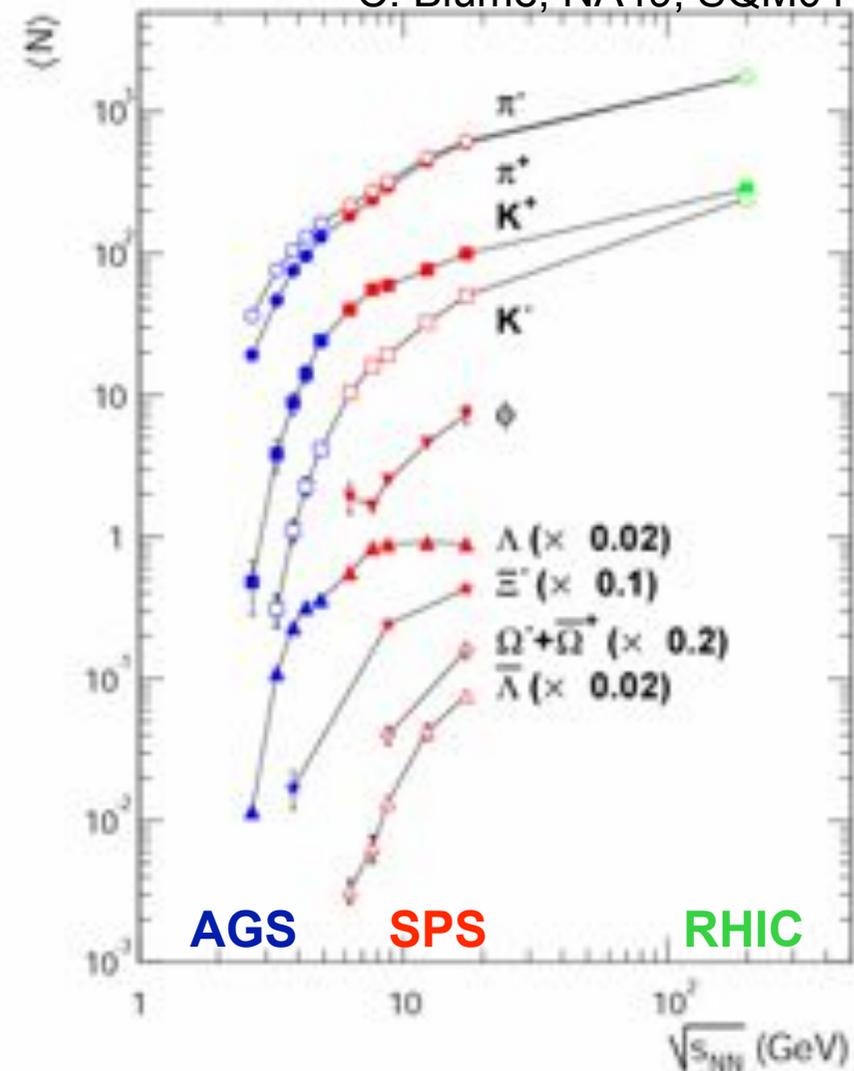
Signatures for phase transition?

- 90% of all measured particles are pions
- multiplicities increase smoothly

→ look for special probes, e.g:

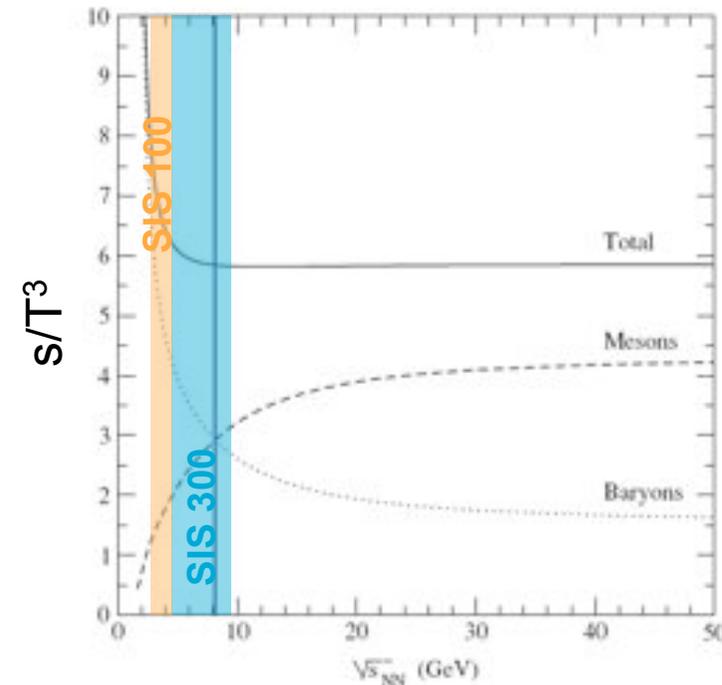
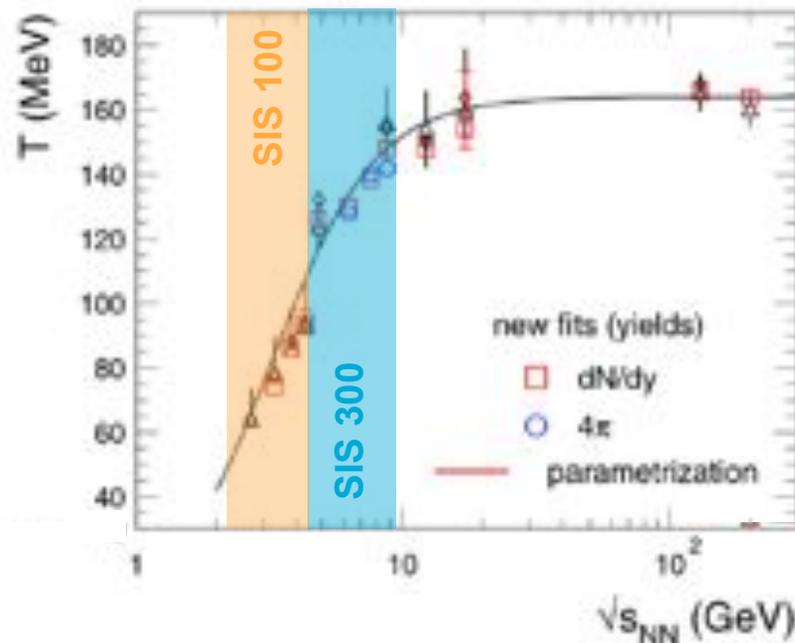
- relative production of “new” quarks: strangeness, charm
- penetrating probes: di-leptons
- collective behaviour, e.g. flow, fluctuations
- energy loss of high momentum particles

C. Blume, NA49, SQM04



# Limiting temperature at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 10$ GeV

- statistical model fit:  $T$ ,  $\mu_B$ ,  $V$ : **temperature saturates** for  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} > 10$  GeV although energy density (and initial  $T$ ) still increases
- **deconfinement phase boundary reached, additional energy goes into heating the QGP**
- occurs at the same energy at which mesons start to carry the larger part of the entropy

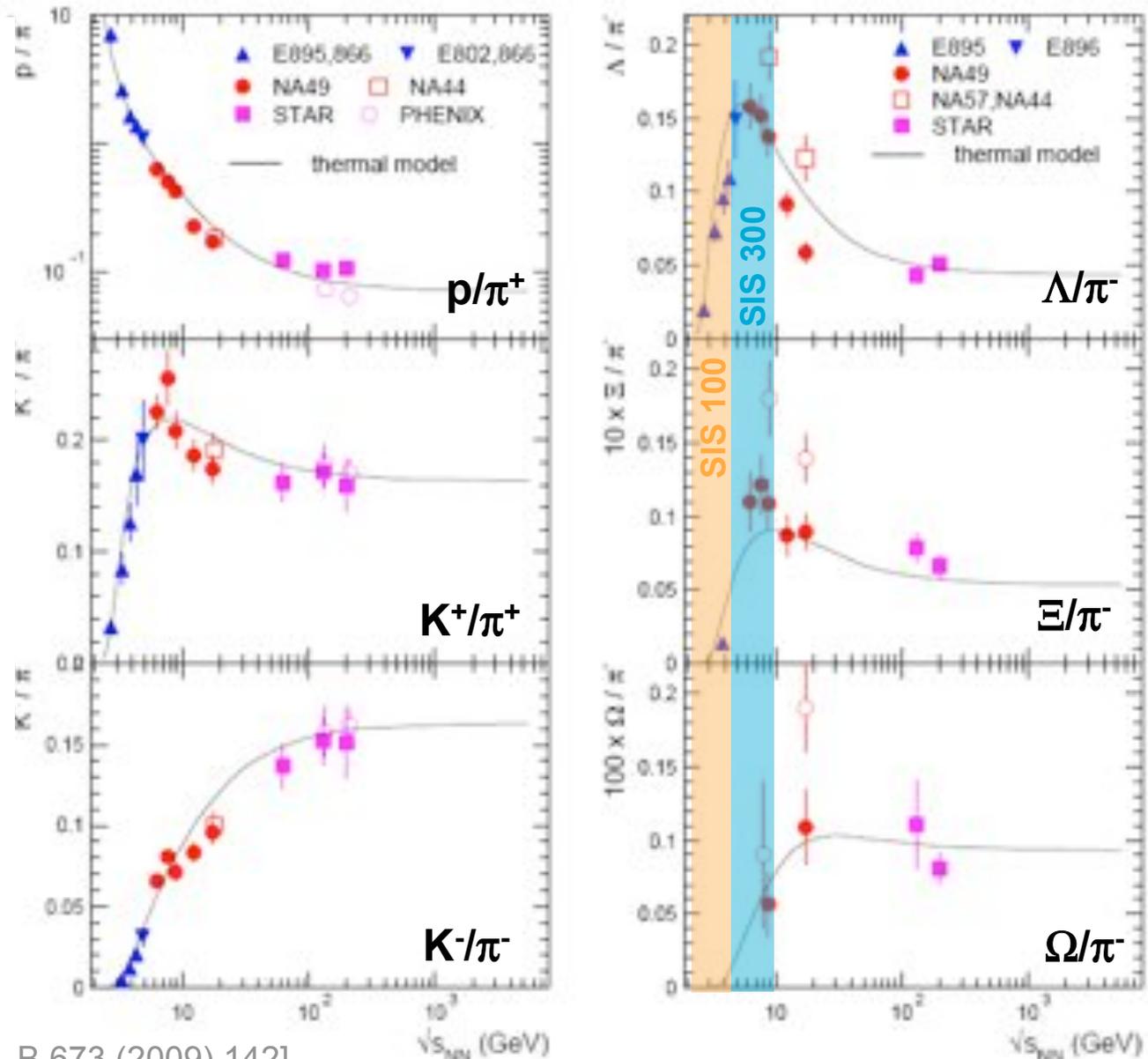


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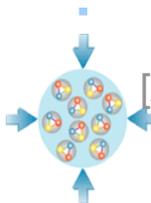
[H.Oeschler et al., J.Phys.G 32, 223 (2006)]

# Structures in particle ratios

- statistical model: very successful description of particle yields
- equilibrated hadron gas!
- multistrange hadrons are important – very sensitive! vicinity of phase boundary required?
- however: for low energies multistrange hadrons are missing!
- also freeze-out at phase boundary? or rescattering hadron gas?

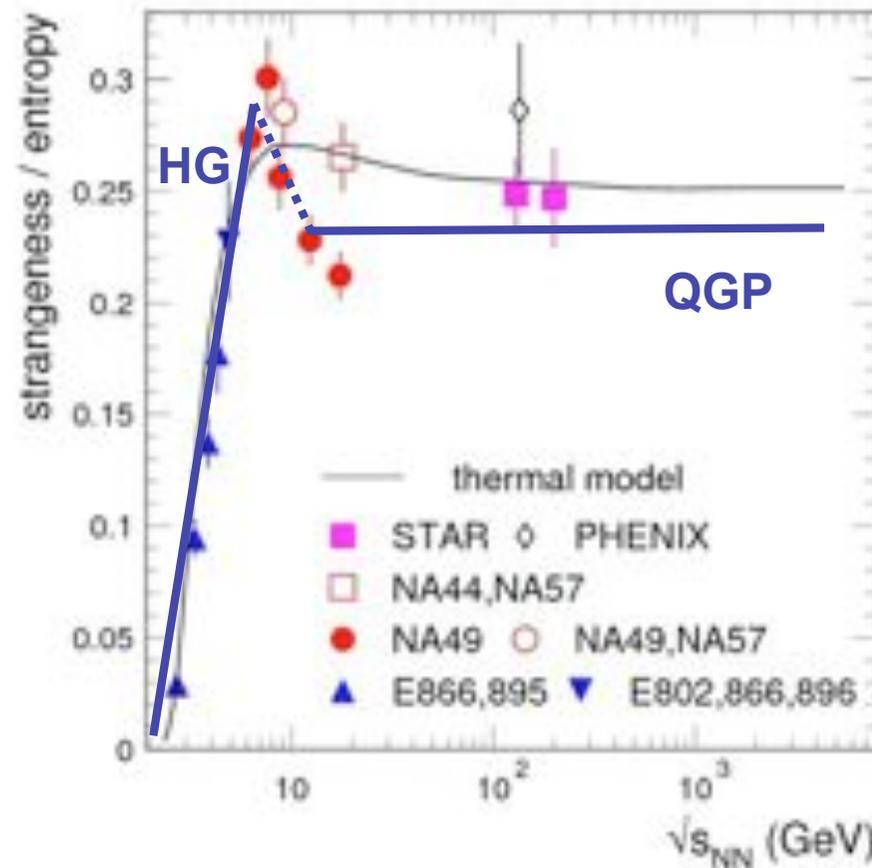


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# Maximum in relative s-production

- maximum in relative strangeness production
- different energy dependence than in pp
- details of dependence not captured by statistical hadron gas model
- data best described assuming a phase transition: prediction of SMES



[A. Andronic priv. com.,  
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Statistical  
model of the early stage  
(SMES)

[Gazdzicki,

Gorenstein, Acta. Phys. Polon. B30,

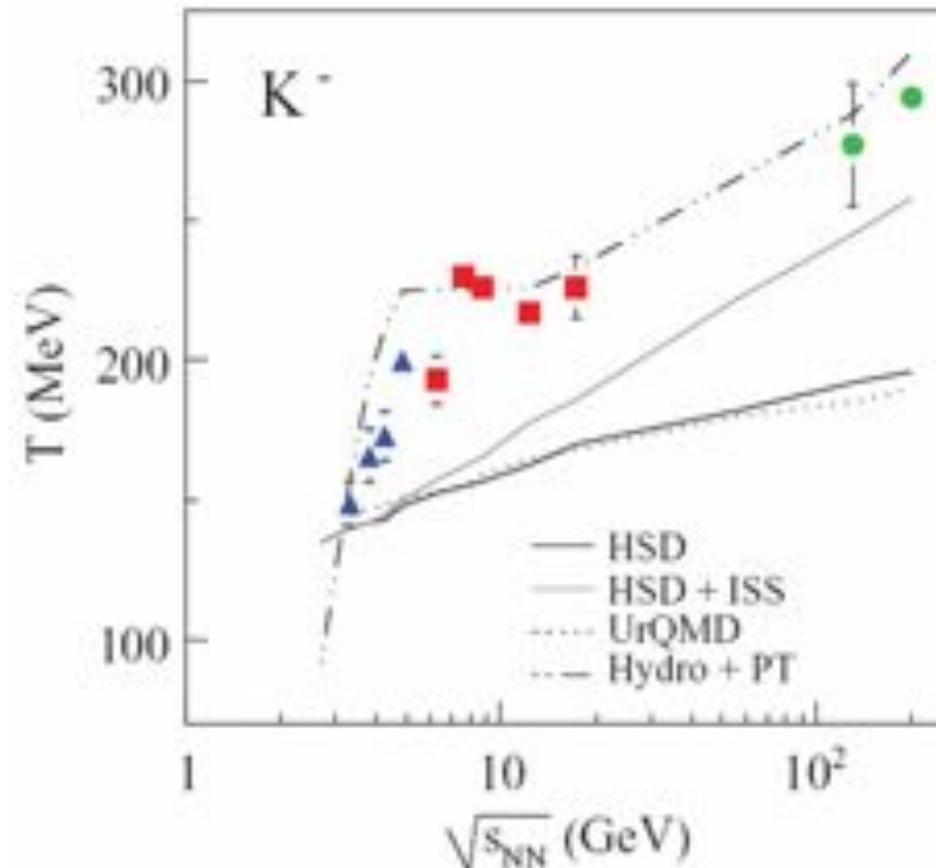
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# Plateau in slopes of $pt$ -distributions

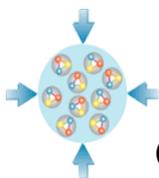
- mixed phase: pressure and  $T$  independent of  $\varepsilon \rightarrow$  weak increase of slopes of  $p_t$ -spectra  
[L. van Hove, Phys.Lett.B 118, 138 (1982)]  
[M. Gorenstein et al., Phys. Lett. B 567, 175 (2003)]
- behavior can only be explained assuming a phase transition

- similar behavior in  $\langle m_t \rangle$  seen for other particles:  $\pi$ ,  $K$ ,  $p$ ,  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Xi$ ,  $\phi$
- however: low energy data missing

- hydrodynamic calculation including a phase transition  
[M. Gazdzicki et al, Braz. J. Phys. 34, 322 (2004)]
- bag model EoS with a strong 1st order phase transition (UrQMD + hydro)  
[H. Petersen et al., arXiv:0902.4866]

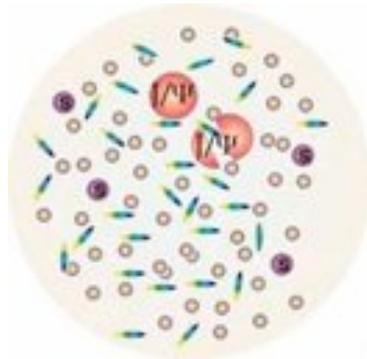


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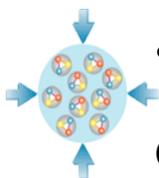
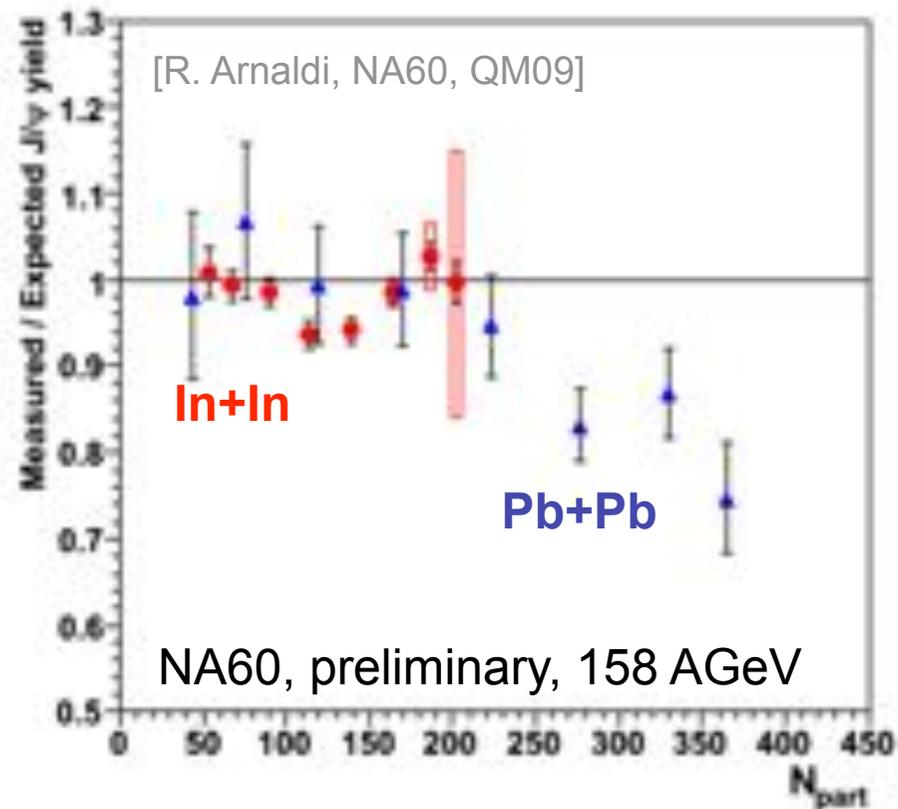


# Charmonium suppression

- charm newly produced:  $m_c \sim 1.3 \text{ GeV}$  !  $\rightarrow$  new scale, production in initial hard scattering
- distribution among charmed hadrons depending on medium
- appealing early idea: charmonia will be dissolved in QGP  
 $\rightarrow$  suppressed yield compared to hadron gas

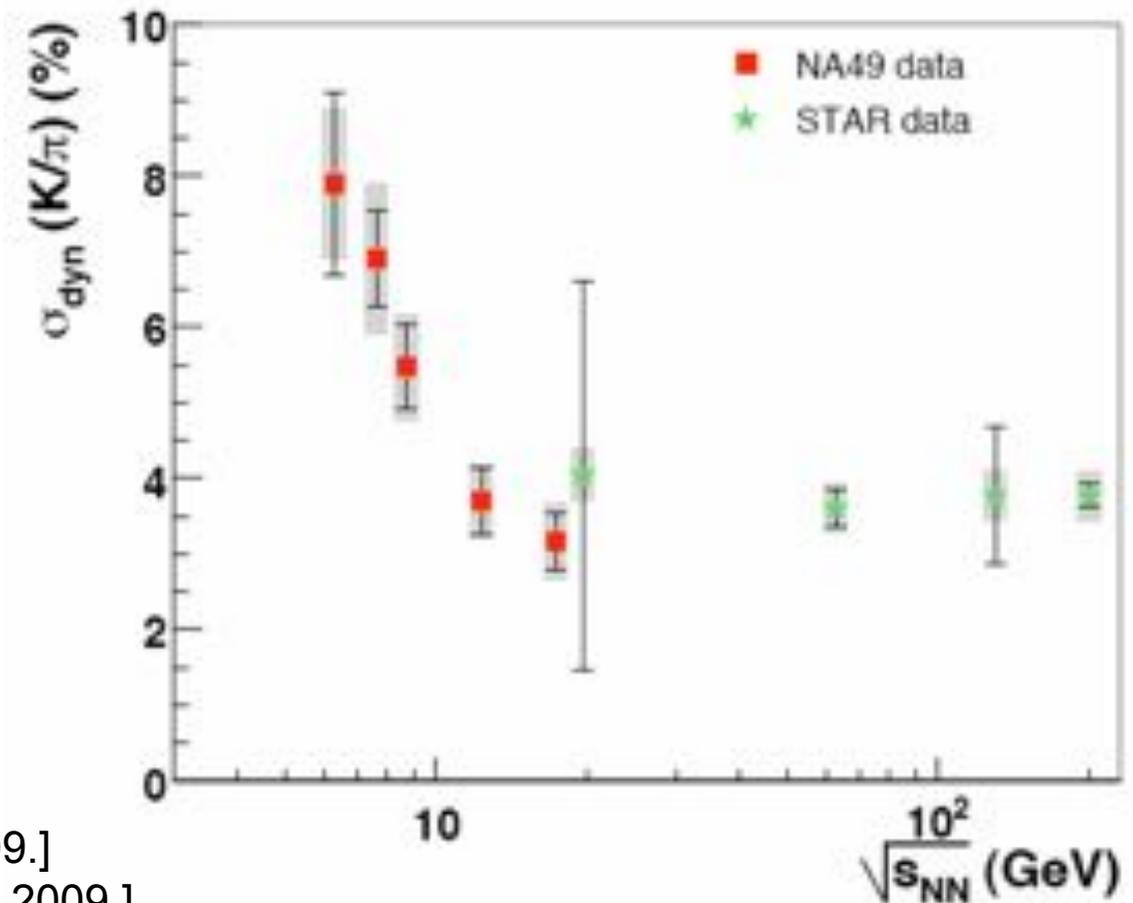


- $J/\psi$  suppression measured
- difficult corrections, many open questions
- no good open-charm (D-meson) measurement
- no data at lower energies



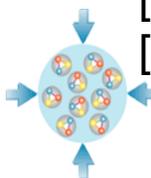
# Search for the critical point: Event-by-event fluctuations

- phase transition of 2nd order at critical point: fluctuations?
- study of event-by-event fluctuations of
  - mean-pt
  - multiplicity
  - net electric charge
  - particle ratios
- experimentally difficult, many contributions can contribute
- no data for lower energies
- **not conclusive**



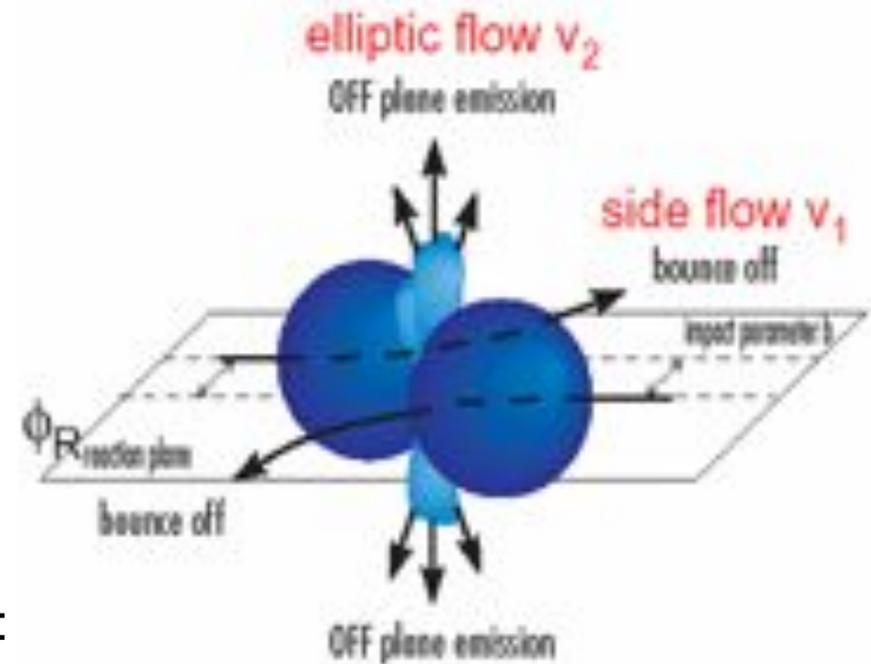
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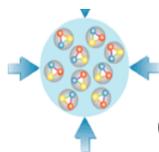
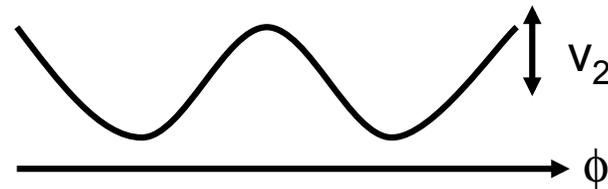
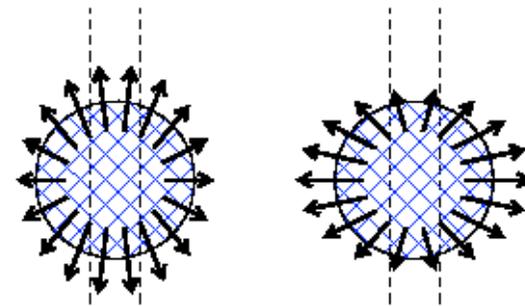
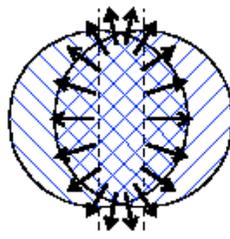
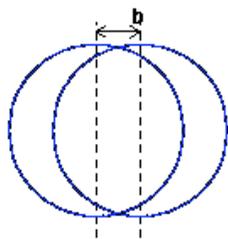
# elliptic flow v2

- particle emission pattern in plane transverse to the reaction plane
- initial overlap eccentricity is transformed in momentum anisotropy
- driven by pressure from overlap region



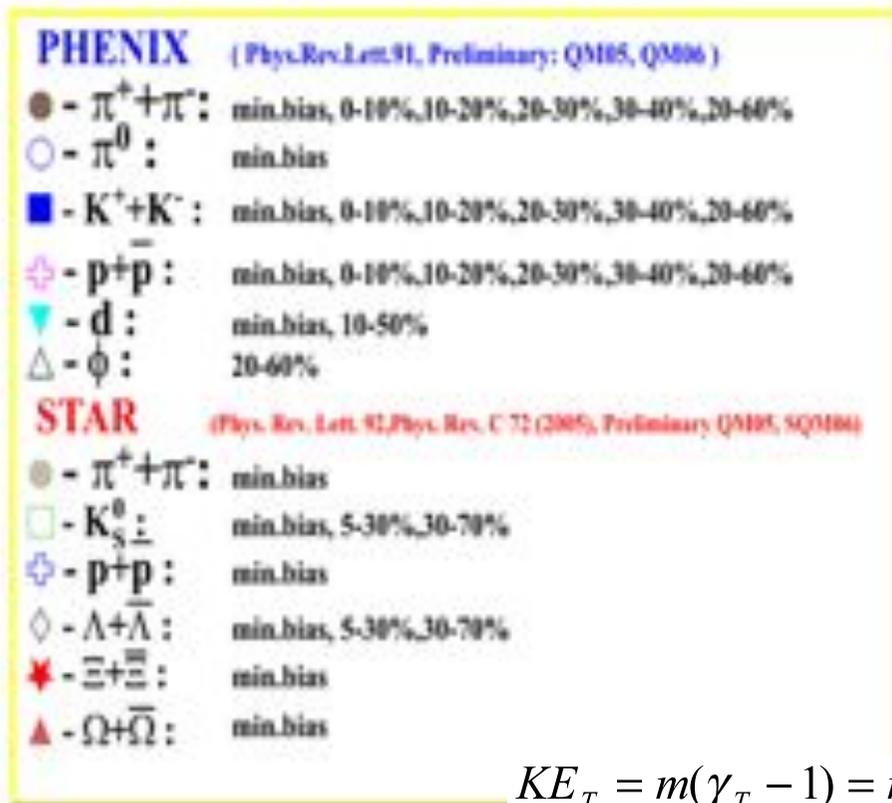
Fourier expansion of the  $dN/d\phi$  distribution:

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

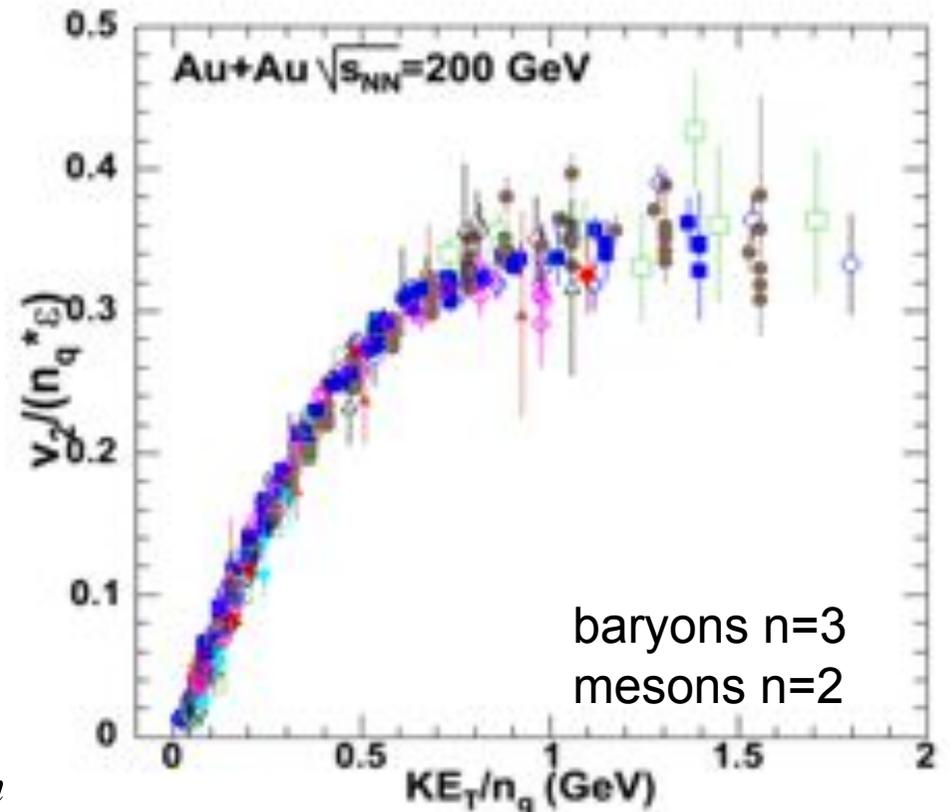


# Quark number scaling of $v_2$ at RHIC

- all flow observations scale extremely well if taking the underlying number of quarks into account!
- like (all!) quarks flow and combine to hadrons at a later stage (hadronisation)
- data can only be explained assuming a large, early built up pressure in a nearly ideal liquid (low viscosity!)
- breakdown of this feature at a certain energy??

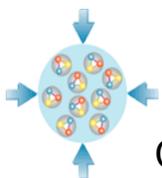
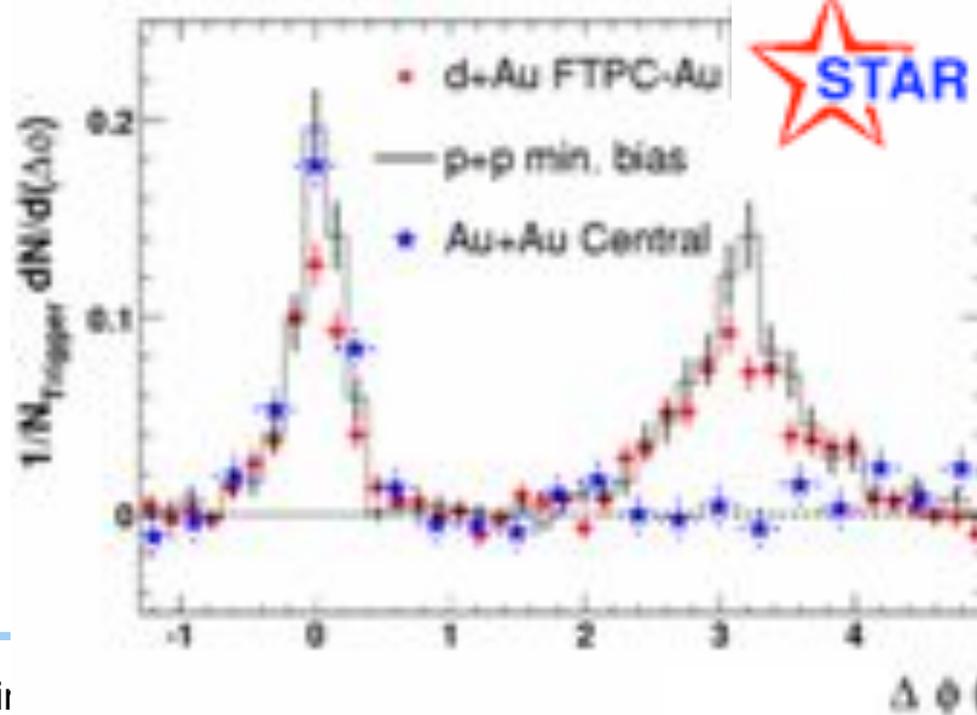
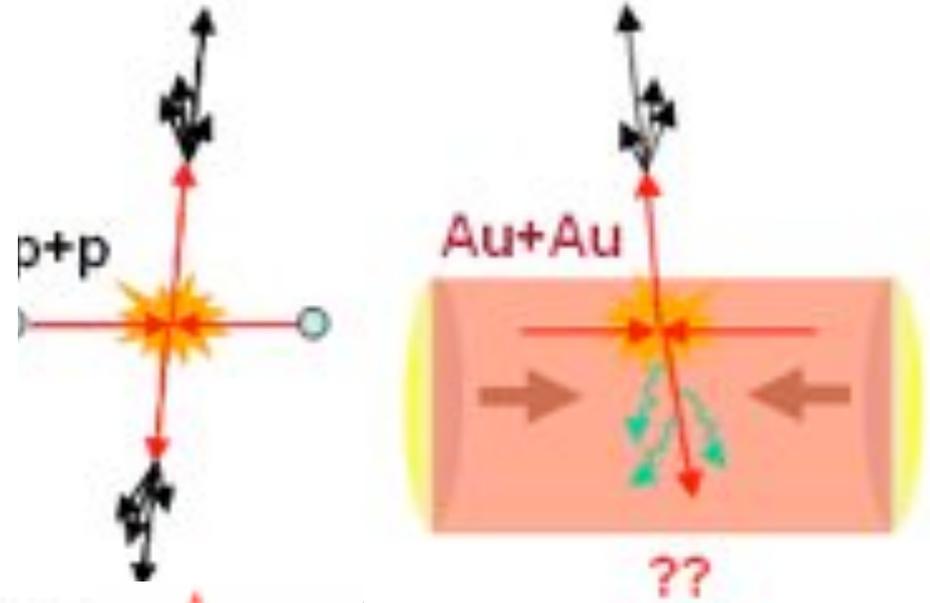


$$KE_T = m(\gamma_T - 1) = m_T - m$$



# Jet quenching

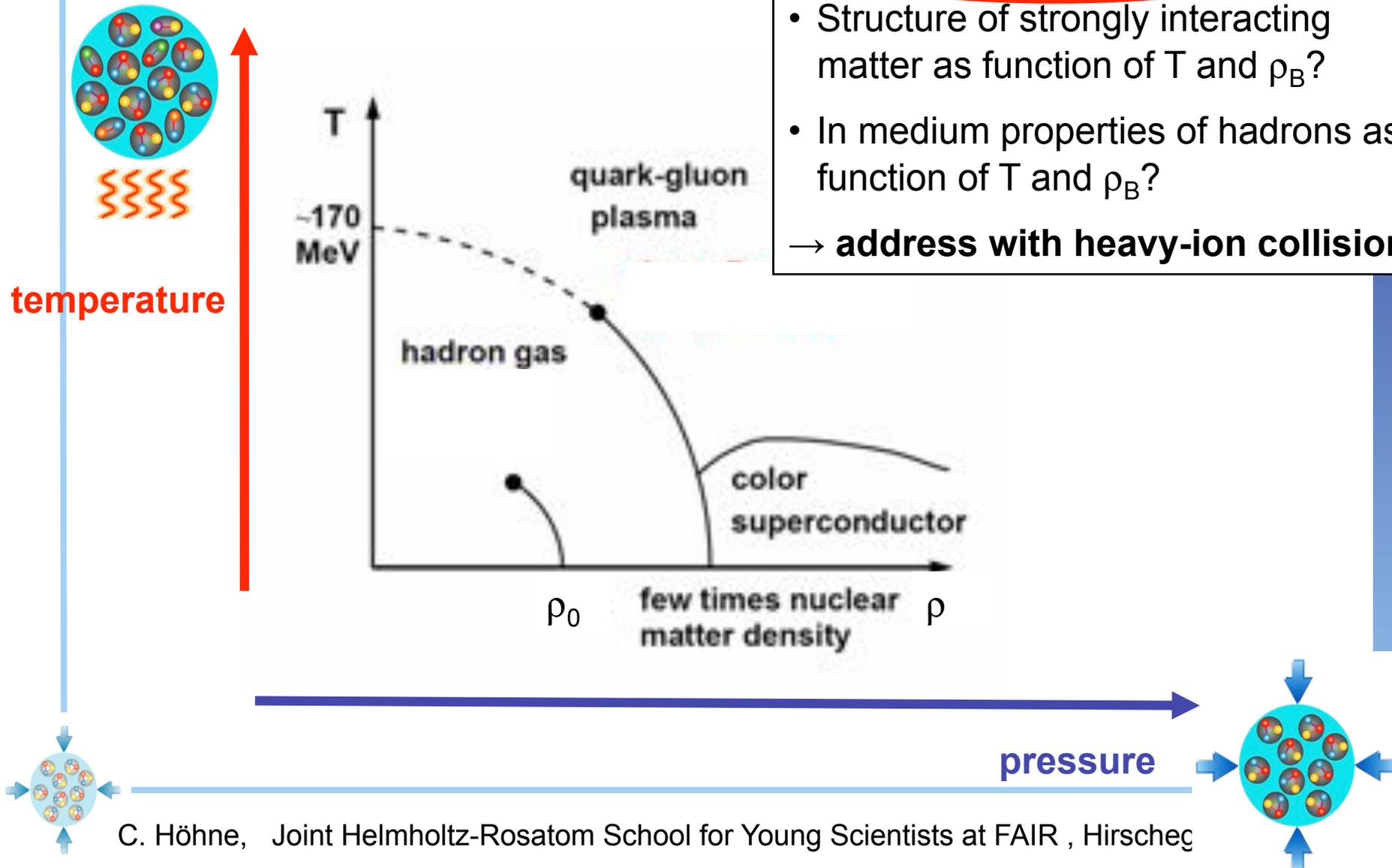
- partons should lose energy in a dense and hot medium
- jet suppression!
- results imply huge gluon densities corresponding to an initial temperature of  $\sim 2T_{\text{crit}}$  and  $\epsilon \sim 14\text{-}20 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$  in the fireball!
- breakdown of this phenomenon at a certain energy?



# Phasediagram of strongly interacting matter

## Fundamental questions of QCD

- Equation of state of strongly interacting matter?
  - Structure of strongly interacting matter as function of  $T$  and  $\rho_B$ ?
  - In medium properties of hadrons as function of  $T$  and  $\rho_B$ ?
- **address with heavy-ion collisions**



# The equation of state

- thermodynamic relation between state variables; most prominent: ideal gas law  
→ relation between energy density  $\varepsilon$  and  $T$ ,  $\rho$  etc.

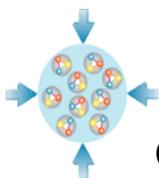
$$P = \frac{F}{A} = \frac{F \cdot d}{A \cdot d} = \frac{E}{V}$$

- thermodynamics for an ideal gas (liquid):

$$P = \frac{\partial E}{\partial V} \Big|_{T=\text{const}} \quad V = \frac{N}{\rho} \quad \partial V = -\frac{1}{\rho^2} \partial \rho$$

$$P = \rho^2 \frac{\partial E / N}{\partial \rho} \Big|_{T=\text{const}} = \rho^2 \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial \rho} (\rho) \Big|_{T=\text{const}}$$

- the function  $\varepsilon(\rho, P, T)$ , which satisfies this equation is called the **Equation of State (EOS)**
- different depending on the degrees of freedom of the investigated matter
  - nuclear matter
  - neutron matter (→ neutron stars)
  - quark matter



# The nuclear equation of state (EOS)

- "equation of state" (EOS): energy/nucleon vs. density

$$\varepsilon(\rho, T) = \underbrace{\varepsilon_T(\rho, T)}_{\text{thermal}} + \underbrace{\varepsilon_C(\rho, T=0)}_{\text{compressional}} + \underbrace{\varepsilon_0}_{\text{ground state energy}} \quad (\varepsilon = E/A)$$

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

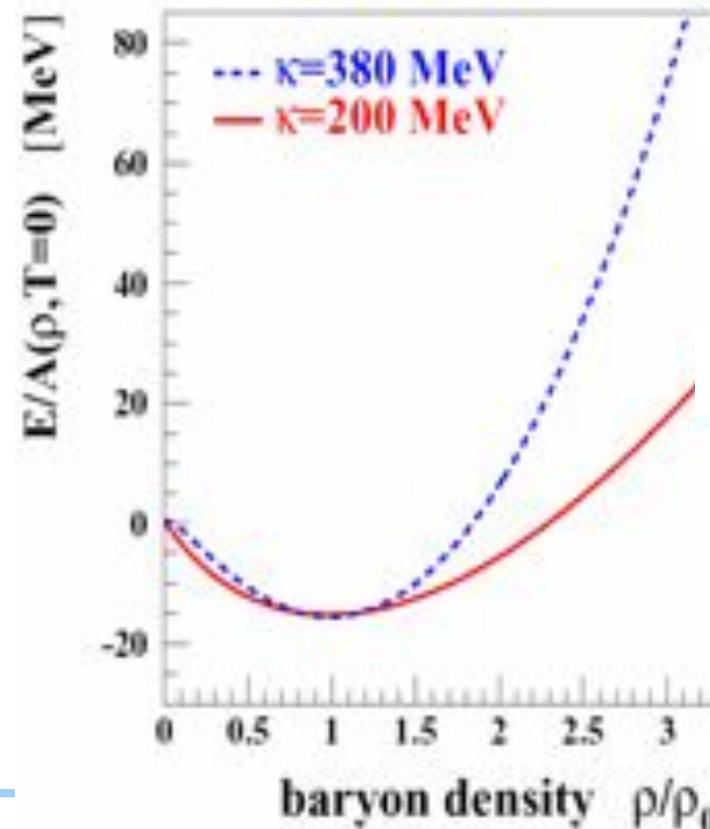
$$E/A(\rho, T=0) = \frac{1}{\rho} \int U(\rho) d\rho$$

- $U(\rho)$  density dependent local potential
- compression modulus  $\kappa$

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

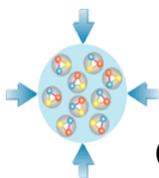
- constraints  $\varepsilon(\rho = \rho_0, T=0) = -16 \text{ MeV}$

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



stiff EoS

soft EoS



# Analogy: Electrons in a lattice

- free electrons (no interaction with other  $e^-$ , no potential)

→ dispersion relation = parabola

$$E(\vec{k}) = \frac{(\hbar\vec{k})^2}{2m}$$

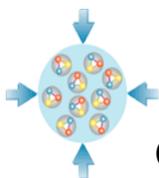
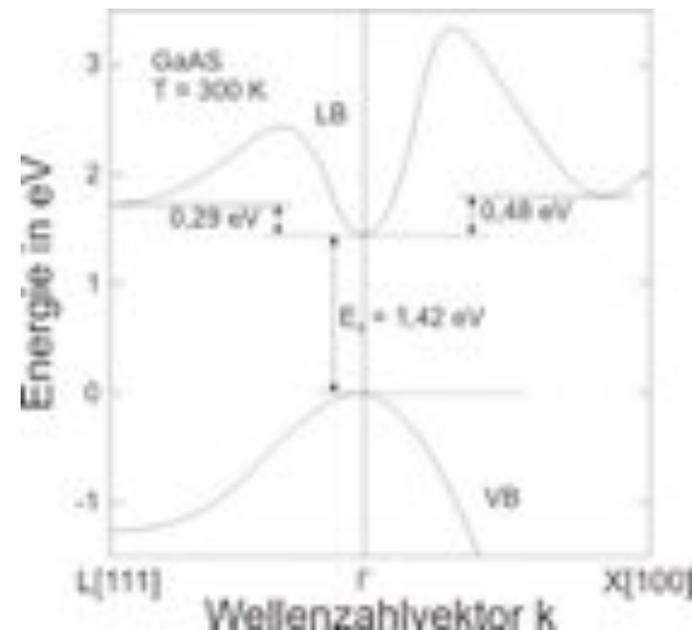
- electrons in a solid

→ due to the lattice not all energies/ frequencies are possible

→ introduction of the concept of an effective mass  $m_{\text{eff}}$  for electrons allows a simpler description / handling of the electrons in the lattice

$$m_{\text{eff}} = \hbar^2 \left( \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial k^2} \right)^{-1}$$

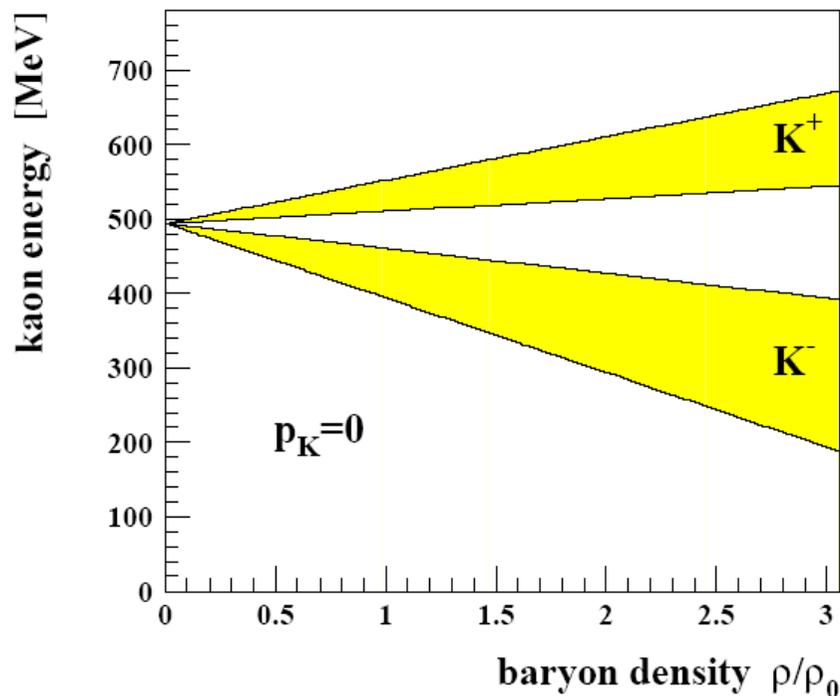
→  $m_{\text{eff}}$  describes dispersion  $E(\vec{k})$  of  $e^-$  in an external potential



# Kaons in dense nuclear matter

- What happens if kaons are placed inside nuclear matter (=external potential, density given by  $\rho$  or  $\rho/\rho_0$ )?
  - dispersion relation for kaons!
  - define  $m_{\text{eff}}$  in order to describe kaon energy in the nuclear medium

$$m_{\text{eff}} = \overline{\omega}(\vec{k} = 0, \rho) = \overline{\omega}(\rho)$$



repulsive  $K^+$  N potential

attractive  $K^-$  N potential

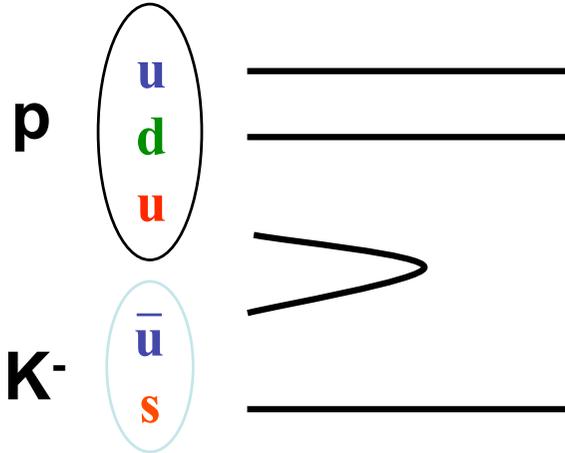
→ different for  $K^+$  and  $K^-$  !

→ kaons sensitive to medium!

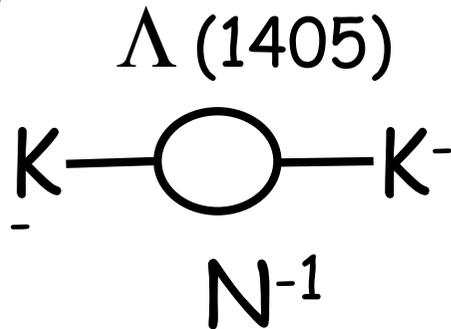
(yellow area: envelope of several microscopic calculations: all predict the same trend !)

# Kaons in dense nuclear matter (III)

- in particular for  $K^-$  the nuclear medium is "attractive"

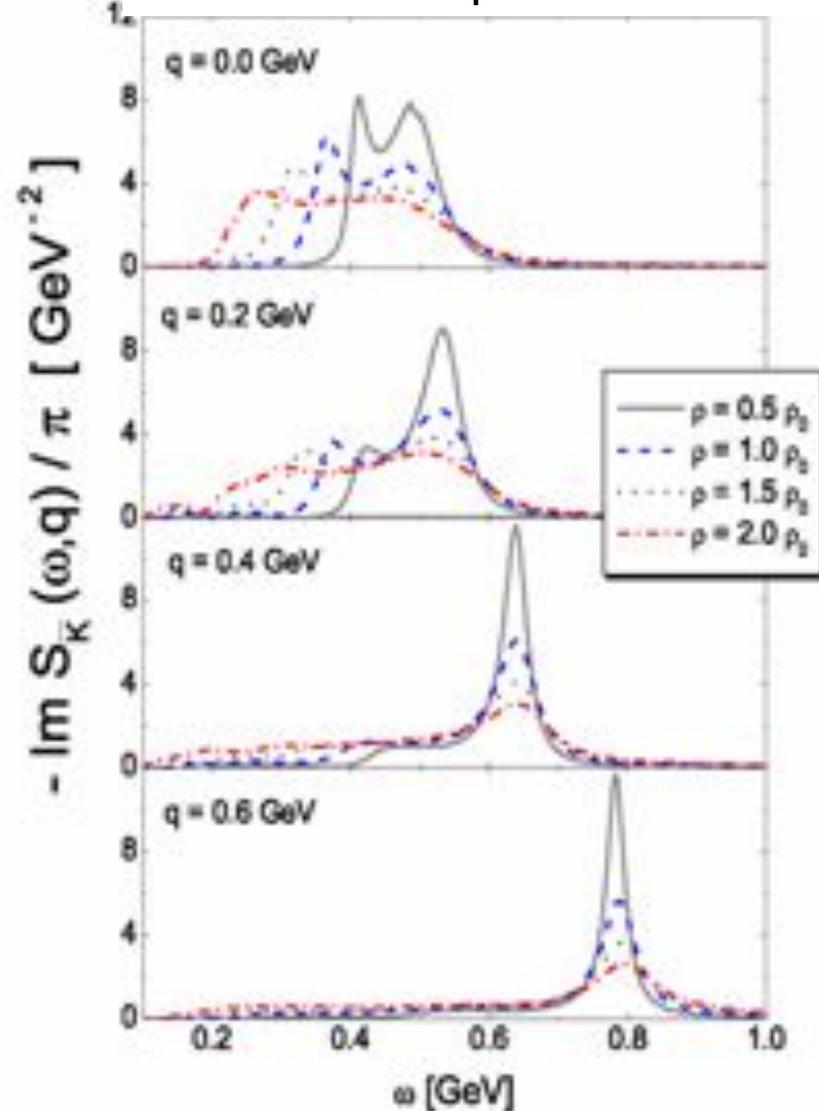


- resonant state close to the K-N threshold:  
 $\Lambda(1405)$



- for  $K^+$  ( $u\bar{s}$ ) the nuclear medium is "repulsive"

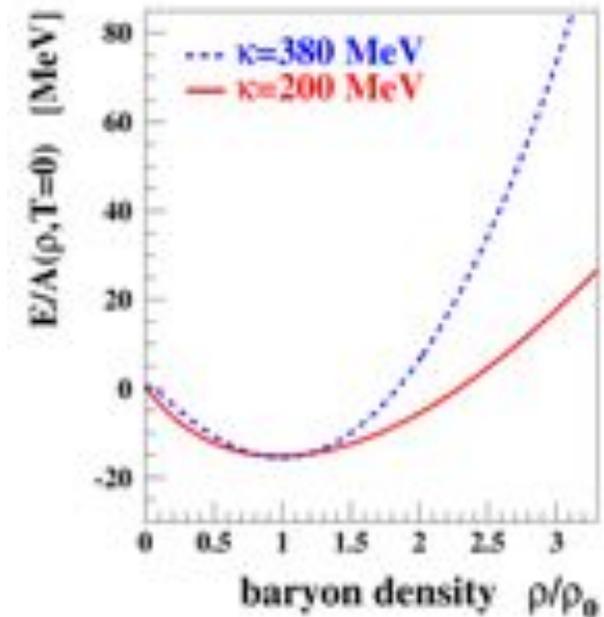
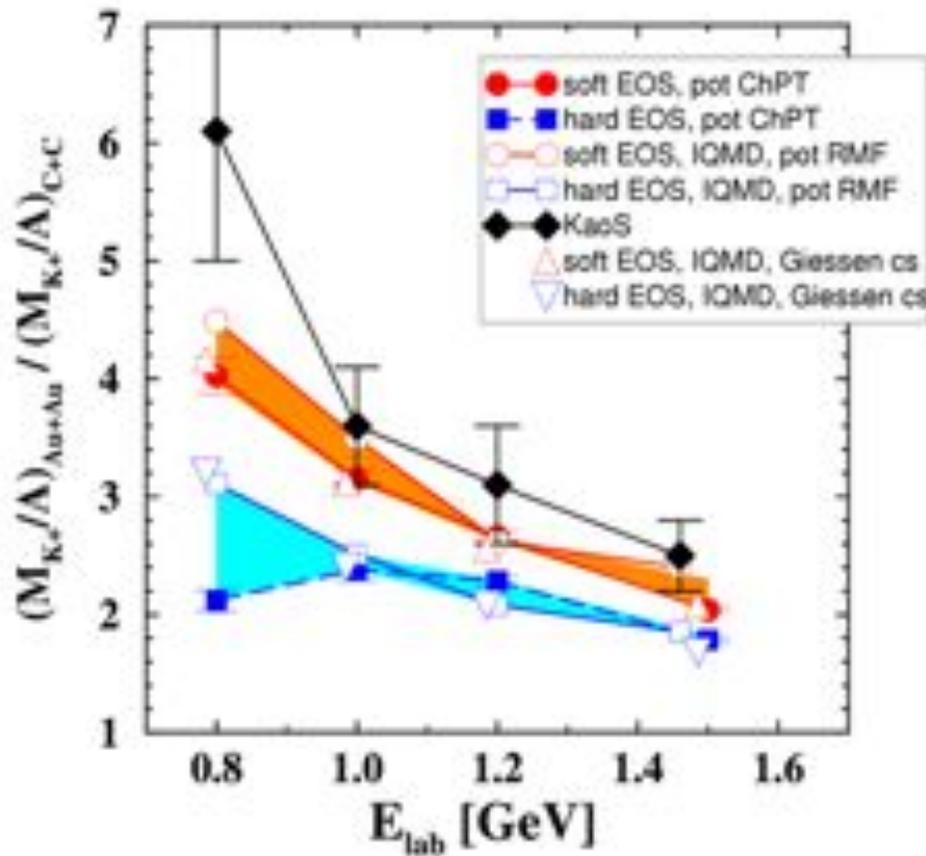
$K^-$  in-medium spectral function



[M. Lutz, GSI, Coupled channels calculation]

# The compressibility of nuclear matter

.... and indeed: effect seen in K production in Au+Au and C+C collisions at at SIS



**soft nuclear equation of state:  
 $\kappa \sim 200$  MeV**

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

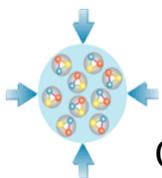
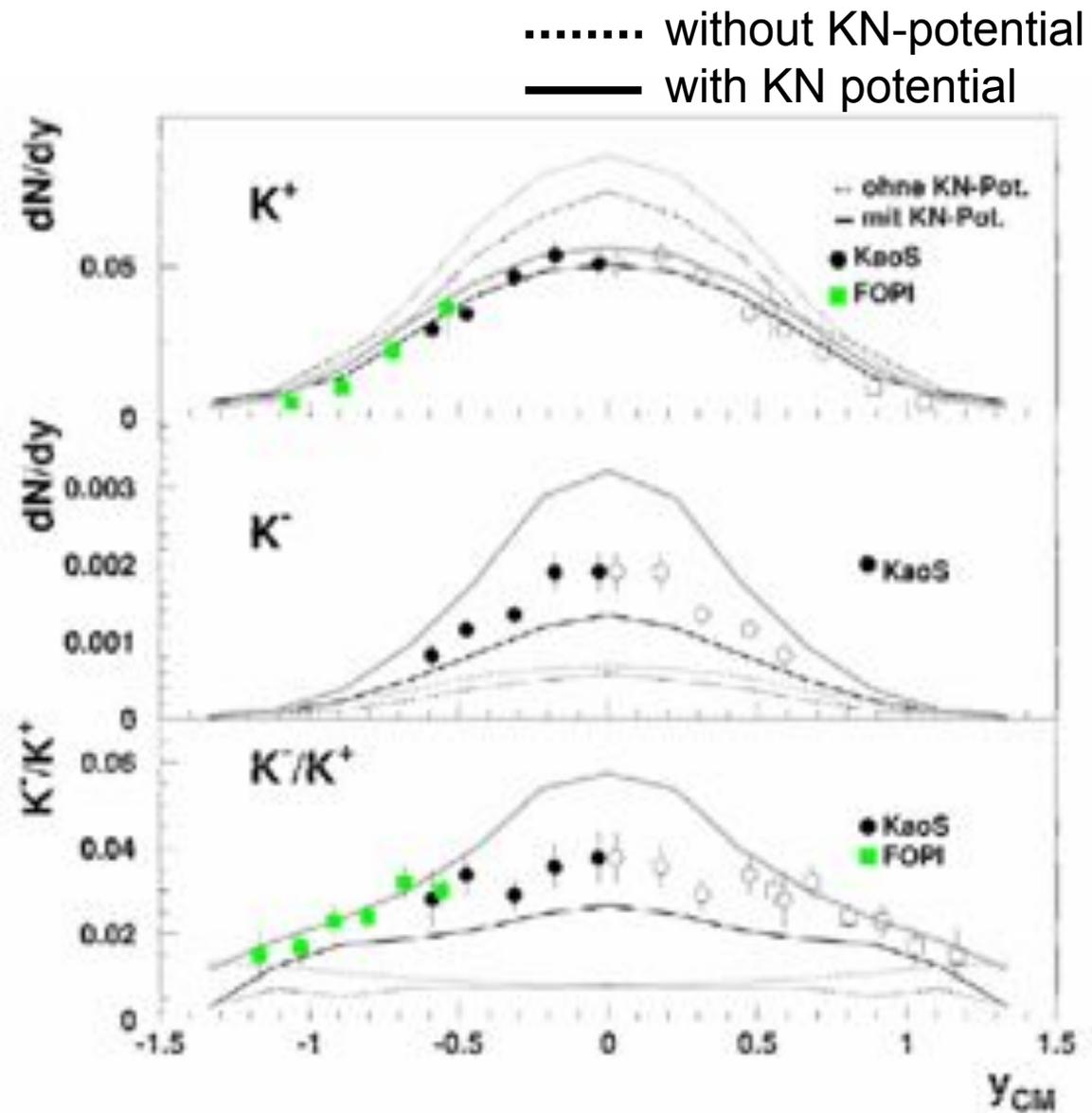
Theory: QMD C. Fuchs et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 86 (2001) 1974

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Figure by C. Fuchs

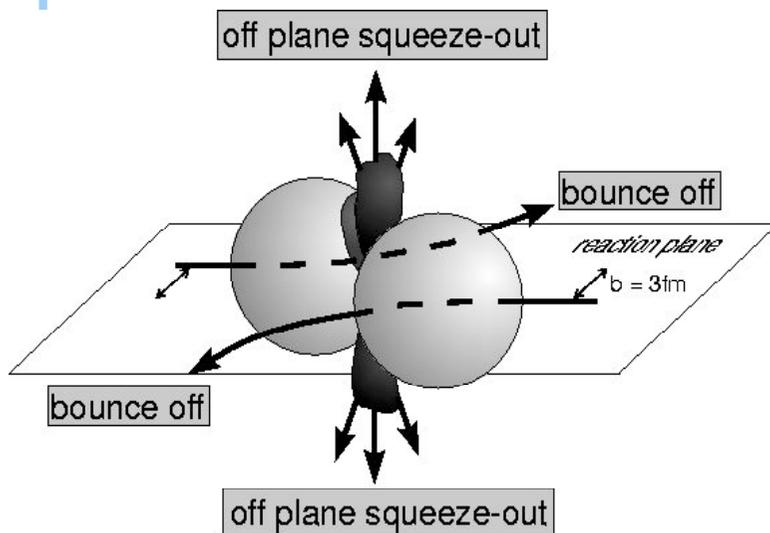
# In medium kaons

Clear effect of the nuclear medium on kaon production also seen in rapidity distributions.

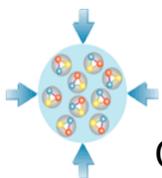
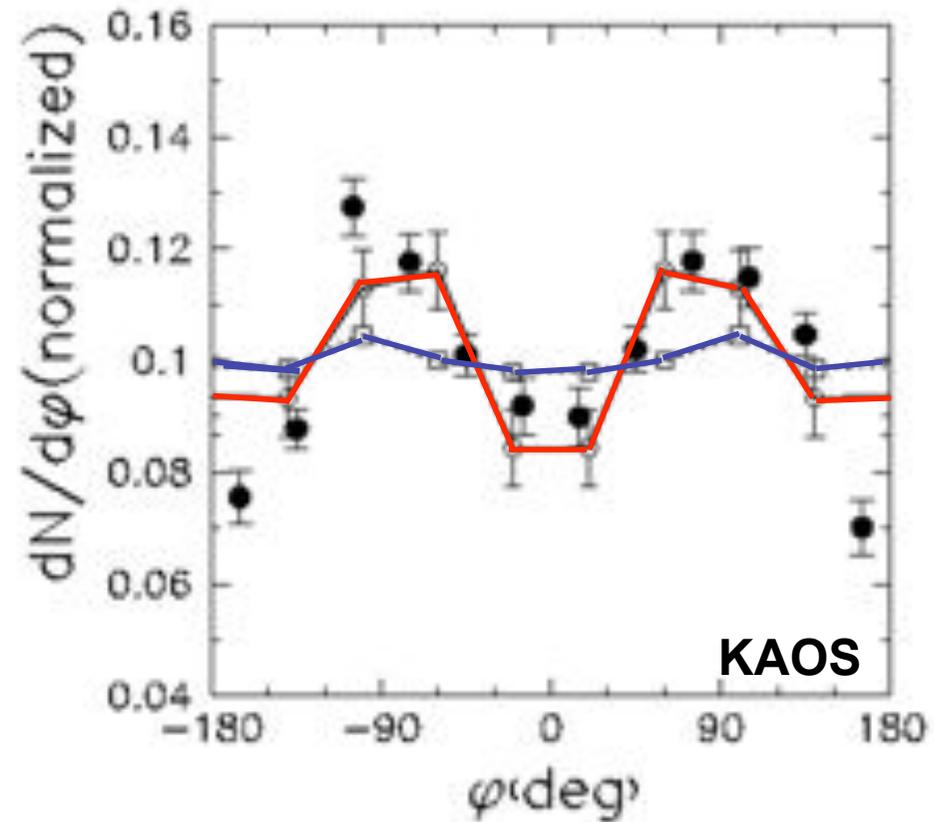


# K<sup>+</sup> "squeeze out"

- angular distributions of produced K<sup>+</sup>  
→ squeeze out due to repulsive KN potential!



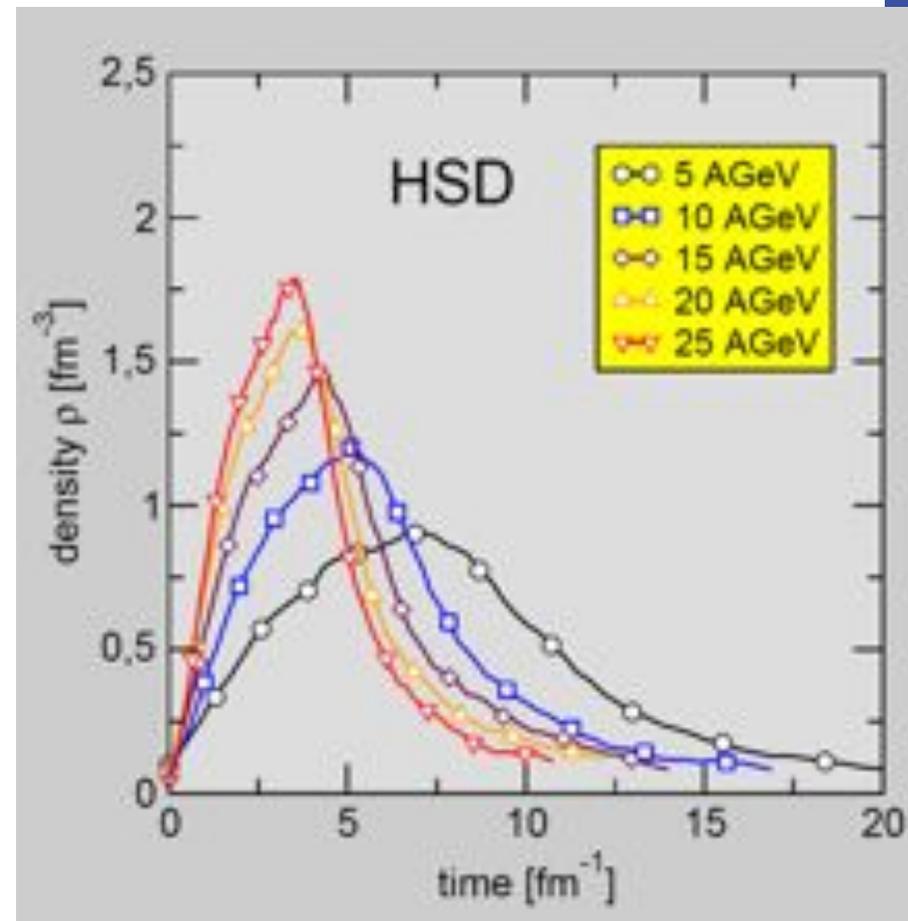
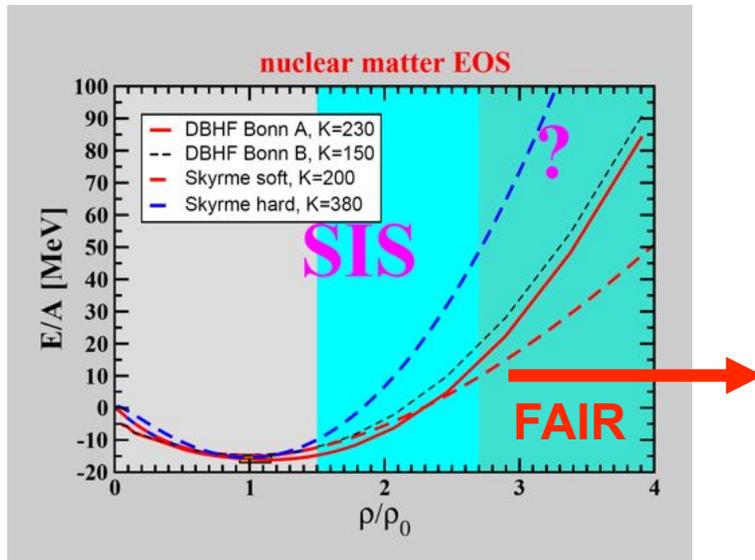
— without KN potential  
— with KN potential



# High net-baryon density matter in A+A collisions

- high baryon and energy densities created in central Au+Au collisions
- agreement between different models (not shown)

beam energy	max. $\rho/\rho_0$	max $\varepsilon$ [GeV/fm <sup>3</sup> ]	time span ~FWHM
5 AGeV	6	1.5	~ 8 fm/c
40 AGeV	12	> 10	~ 3.5 fm/c



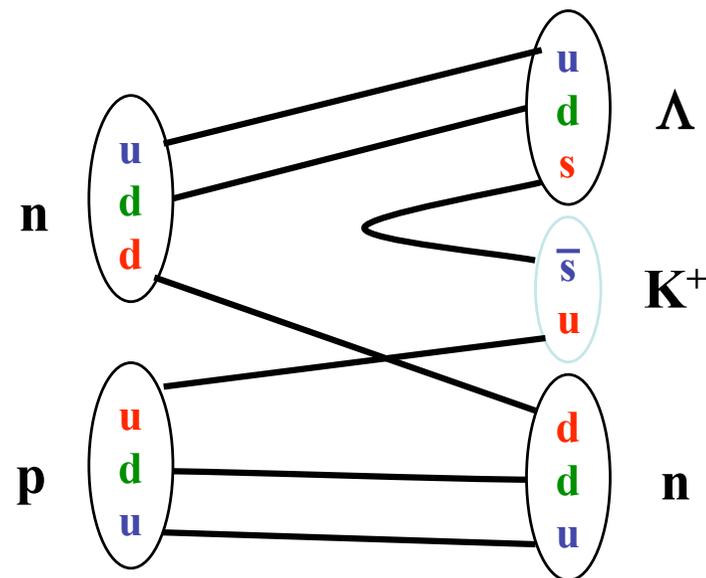
[CBM physics group, C. Fuchs, E. Bratkovskaya priv. com.]

# Production in elementary interactions

.... can this be understood qualitatively?

- elementary production process of kaons in NN collisions:

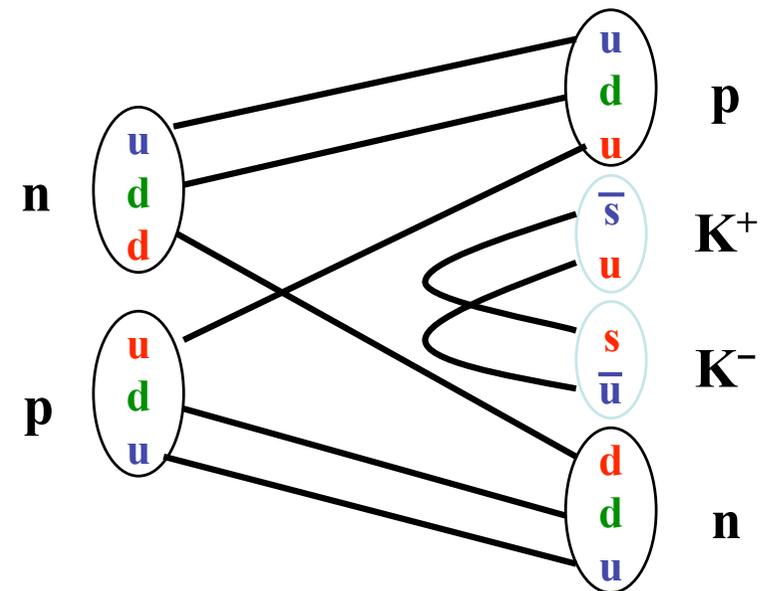
## $K^+$ mesons



production threshold

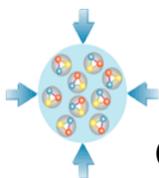
$$E_{lab} = 1.58 \text{ GeV}$$

## $K^-$ mesons



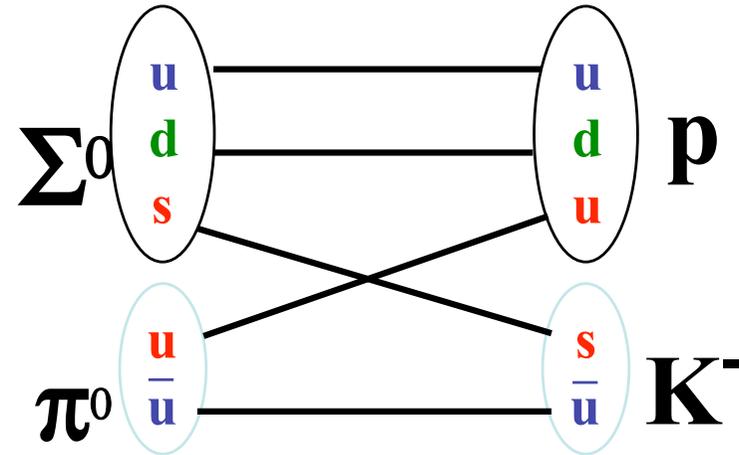
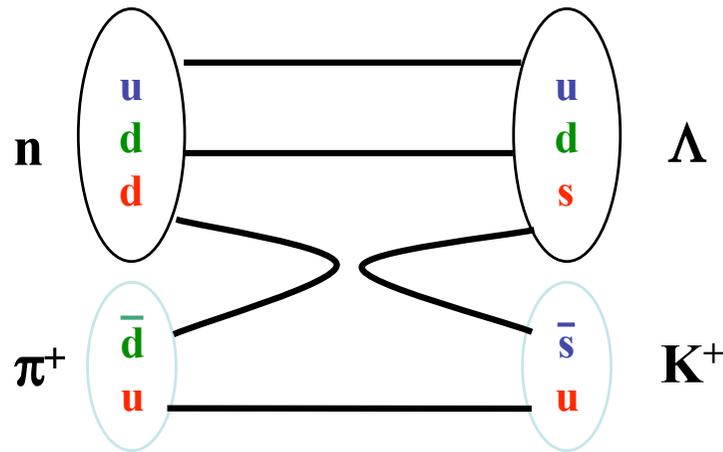
production threshold

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



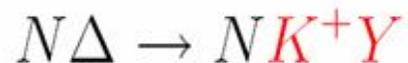
# Kaons in dense nuclear matter (II)

- in a nuclear medium/ the vicinity of many more hadrons more processes become available, for example:

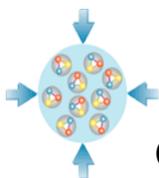


→ "rescattering":

- multistep processes for production



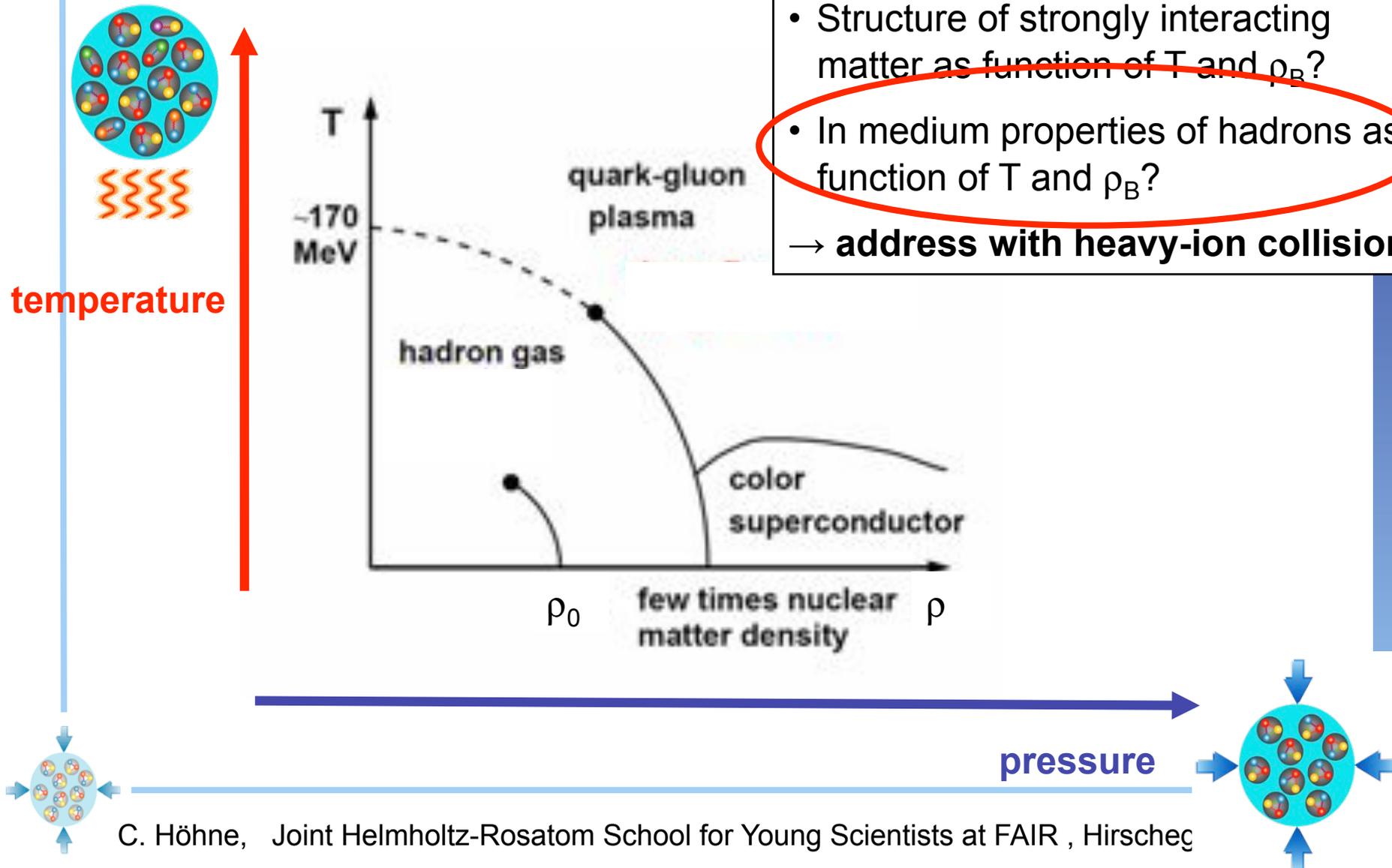
- ... but also absorption (processes are time reversal)



# Phasediagram of strongly interacting matter

## Fundamental questions of QCD

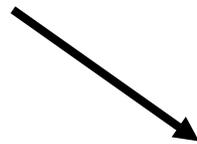
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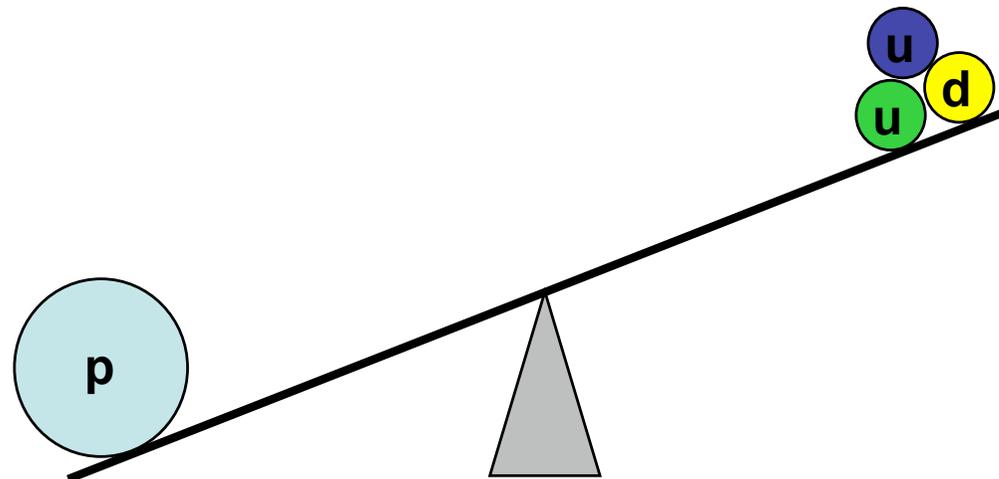
# Chiral symmetry restoration

several effects occur at the phase transition:

- confinement/ deconfinement of quarks
- chiral symmetry restoration



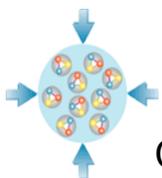
relation to generation of hadron masses!



pedestrian explanation:  
hadrons "dressed" with  
 $\langle q\bar{q} \rangle$  pairs

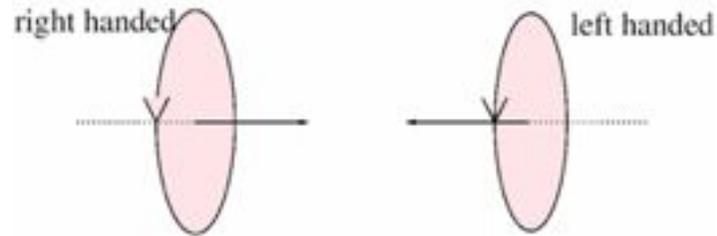
$$m = 938 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$m \sim 3 \cdot 10 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$



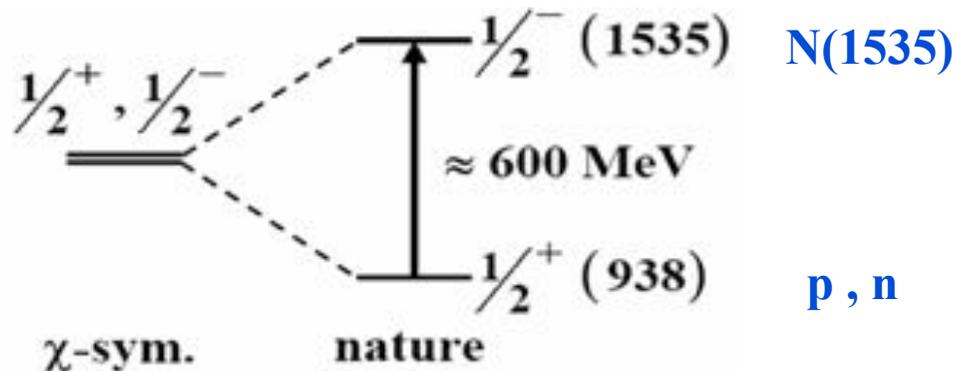
# Chiral symmetry

- Chiral symmetry = fundamental symmetry of QCD

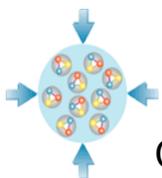


**helicity** = projection of spin onto the direction of momentum

- in case of mass less quarks, the chirality corresponds to the (conserved) helicity
- the QCD Lagrangian is chirally symmetric but in "nature" Chiral symmetry is broken !

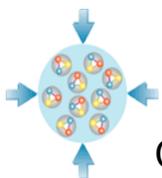
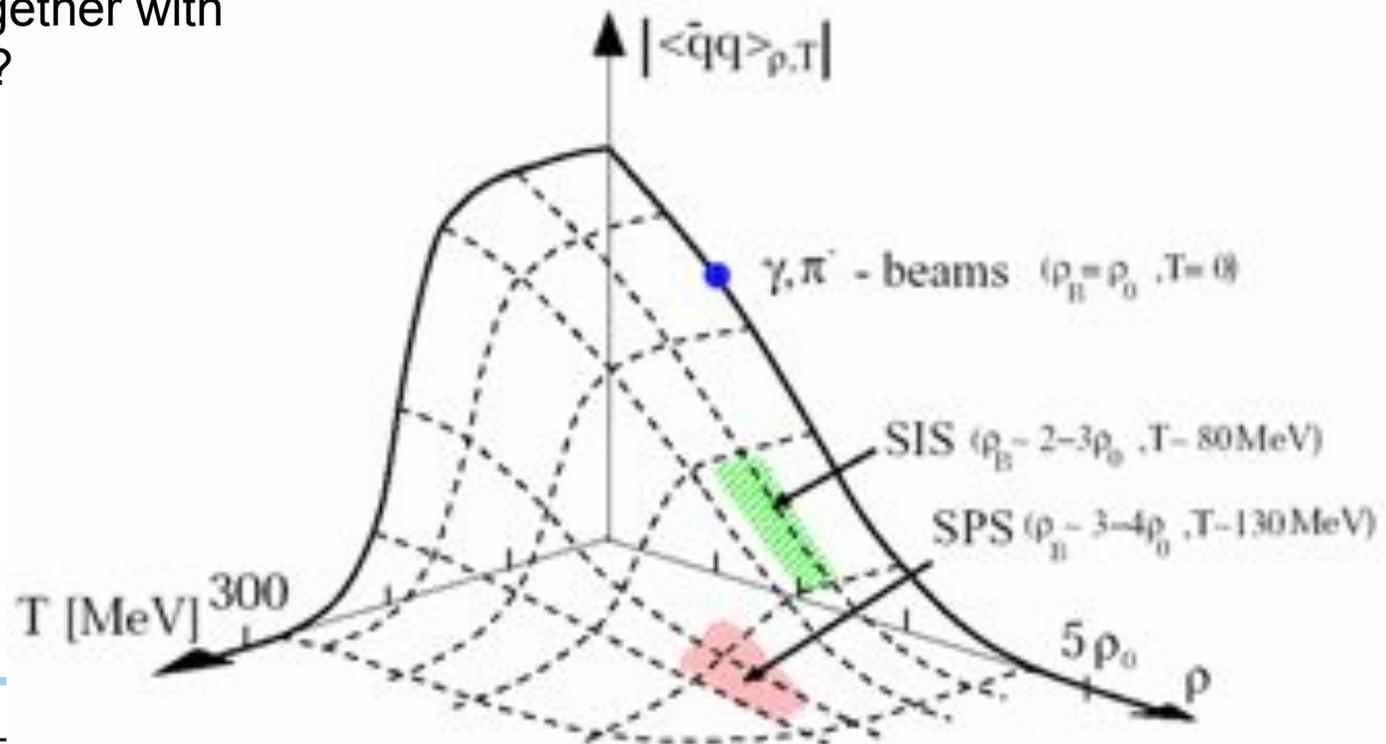
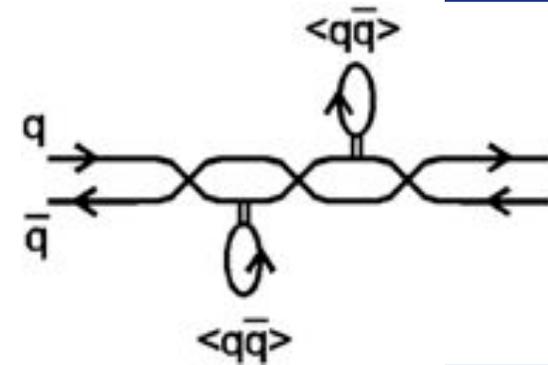


- **explicit breaking** by small but finite quark masses
- **spontaneously broken** due to the existence of a mass less mode ("Goldstone-boson"): the pion .

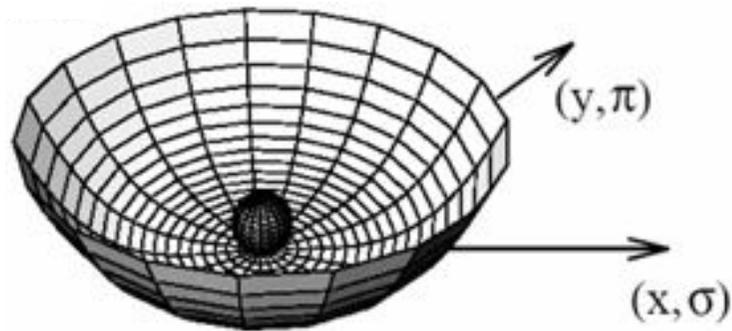


# Chiral symmetry restoration (II)

- the groundstate of QCD is characterized by a non-vanishing field of quark – anti-quark pairs, the so-called chiral condensate.
- this is a non-perturbative effect of QCD
- already in ordinary nuclei the condensate is reduced as compared to vacuum
- prediction: chiral symmetry can be restored at high temperature or large baryon density
- restoration together with deconfinement?

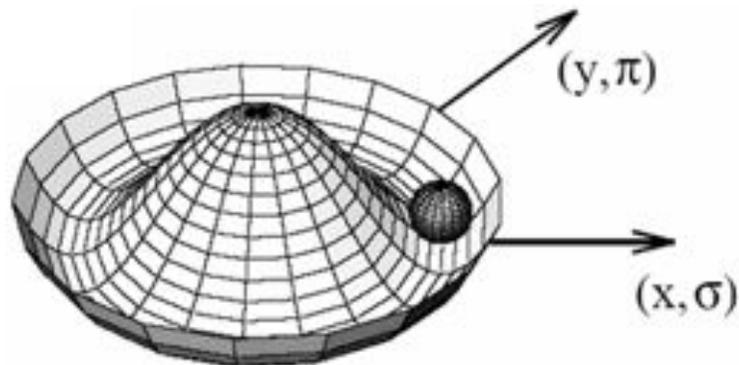


# Analogy: classical mechanics



rotational symmetry

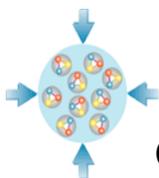
ground state: symmetric



spontaneously broken  
rotational symmetry

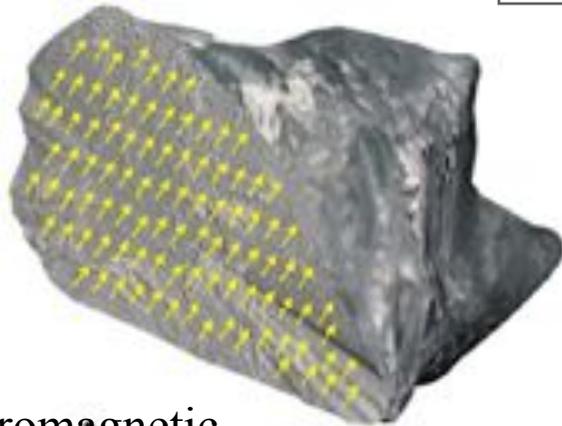
ground state: not symmetric

potential still symmetric, but any (spontaneously) chosen ground state breaks the symmetry

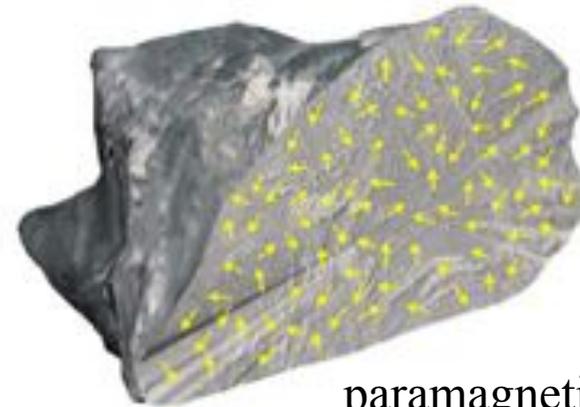
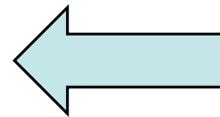


# Analogy: Ferromagnet

spontaneous breaking  
of full rotational symmetry



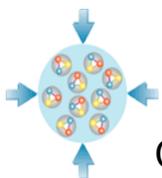
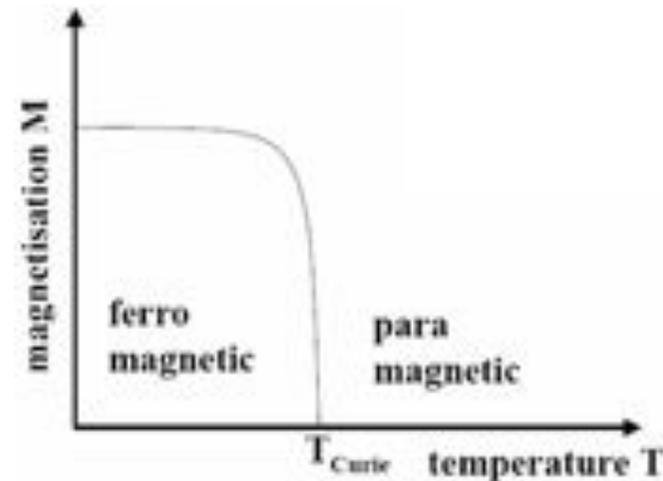
ferromagnetic



paramagnetic

## Ferromagnet:

Below a certain temperature ( $T_{\text{Curie}}$ ) all elementary magnets tend to align into an arbitrary, spontaneously chosen direction.



# Chiral symmetry restoration (III)

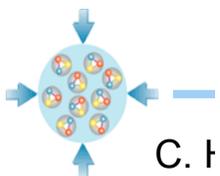
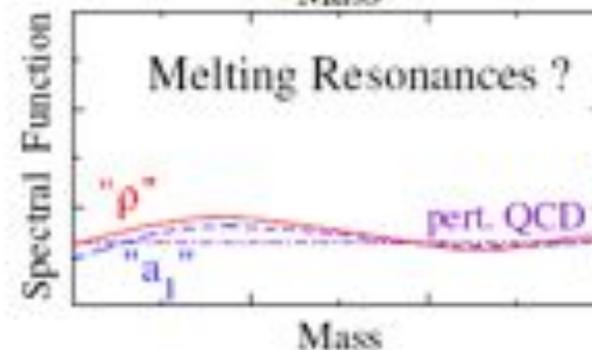
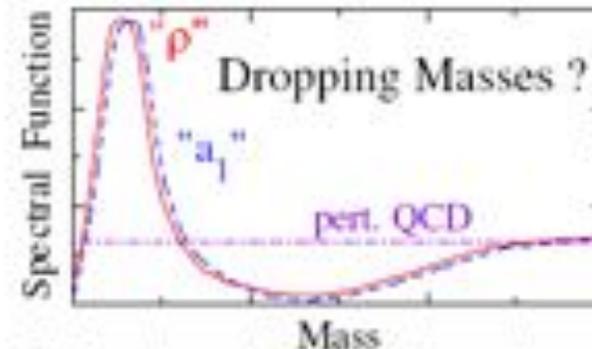
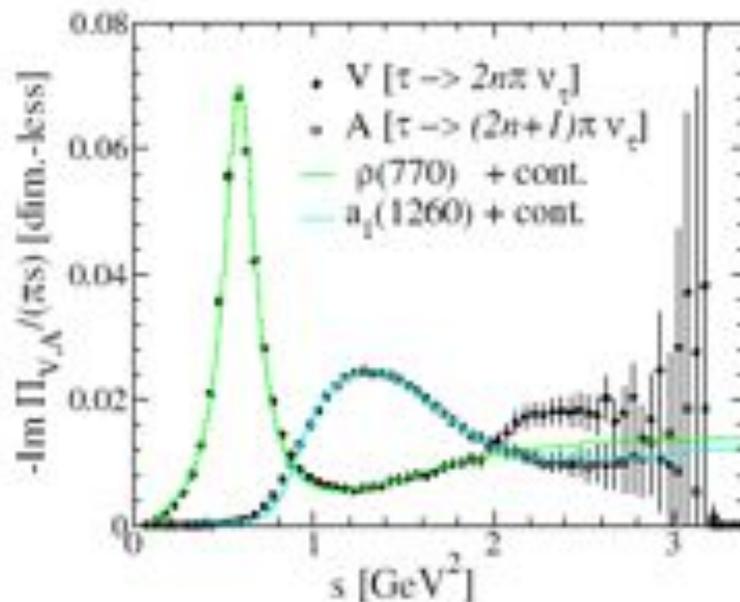
- chiral broken world:

→ chiral partners show different spectral functions!

for example: nonstrange  $I=J=1$  multiplet:  $\rho$ - and  $a_1$  - meson

- chiral symmetry restoration requires that vector and axialvector spectral functions become degenerate

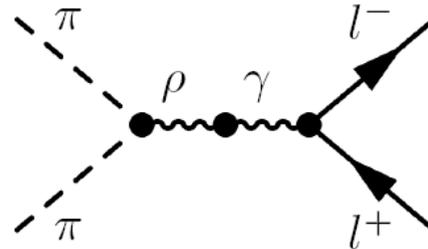
→ dramatic reshaping of spectral functions expected!



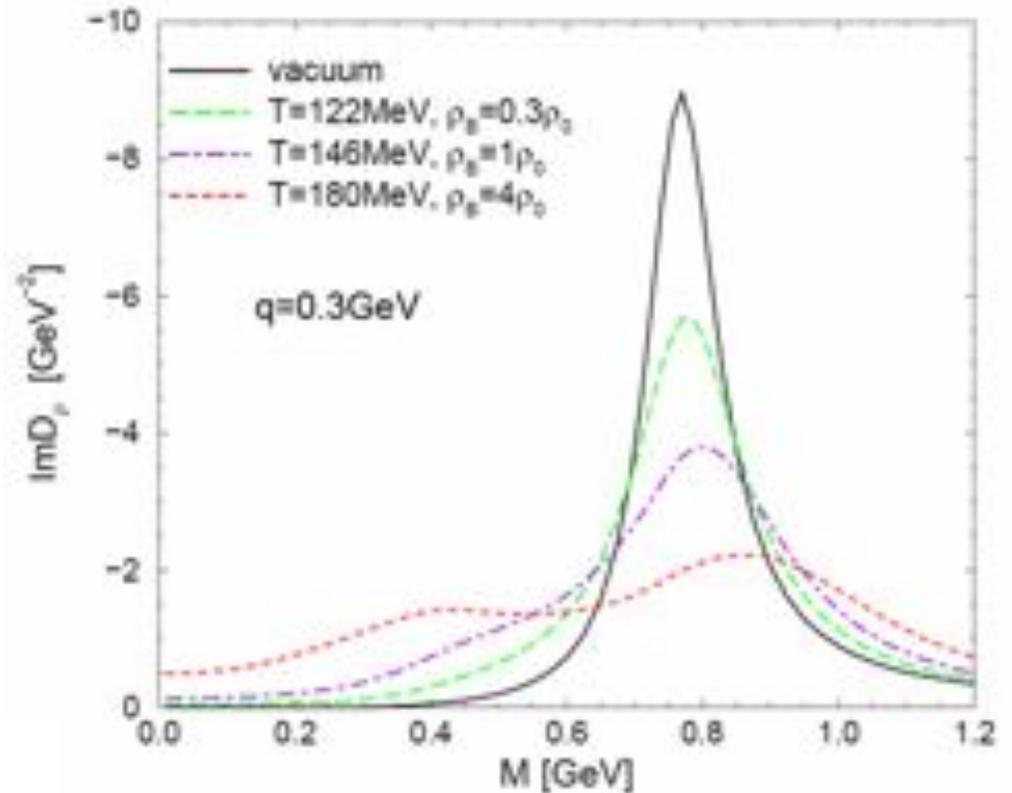
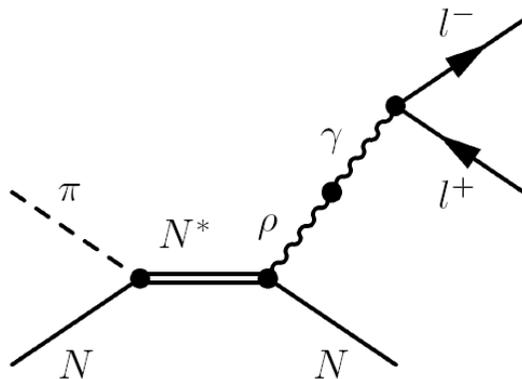
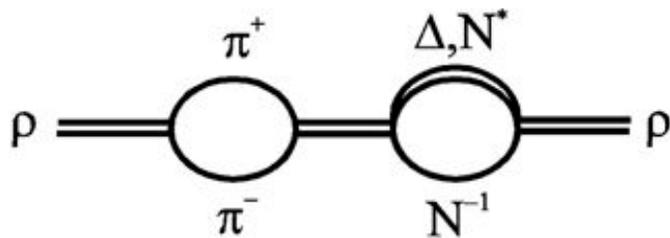


# $\rho$ -meson in dense nuclear matter

- $\rho$ -meson in vacuum

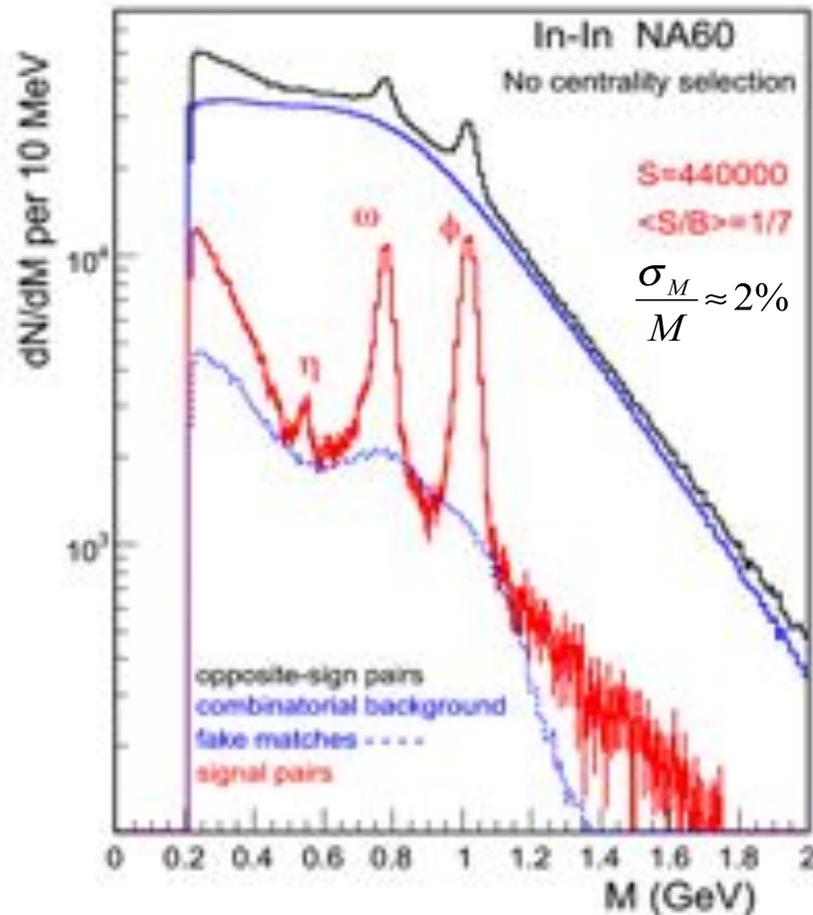


- in (dense) nuclear matter the  $\rho$ -meson might undergo a lot of rescattering  
→ broadens spectral function!

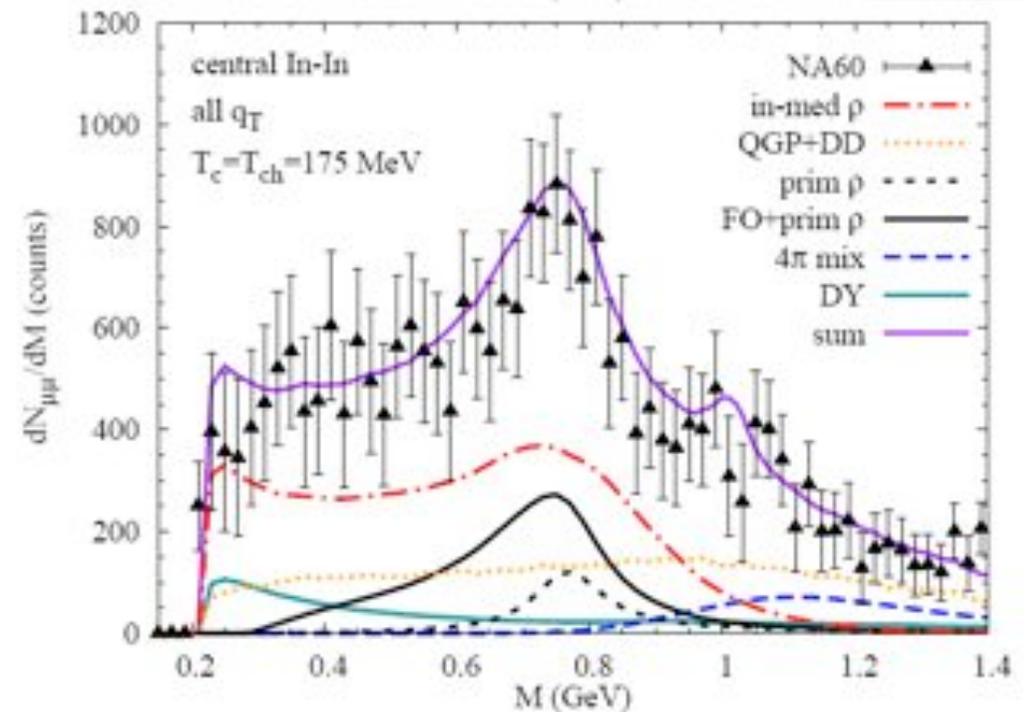


# Exploring nuclear matter with penetrating probes

- SPS: dilepton spectra measured by NA60 ( $\mu^+\mu^-$ ) and CERES ( $e^+e^-$ )
- excess spectrum shows strong modification of  $\rho$ -meson in medium



“excess spectrum”: di-lepton radiation from the high-density phase

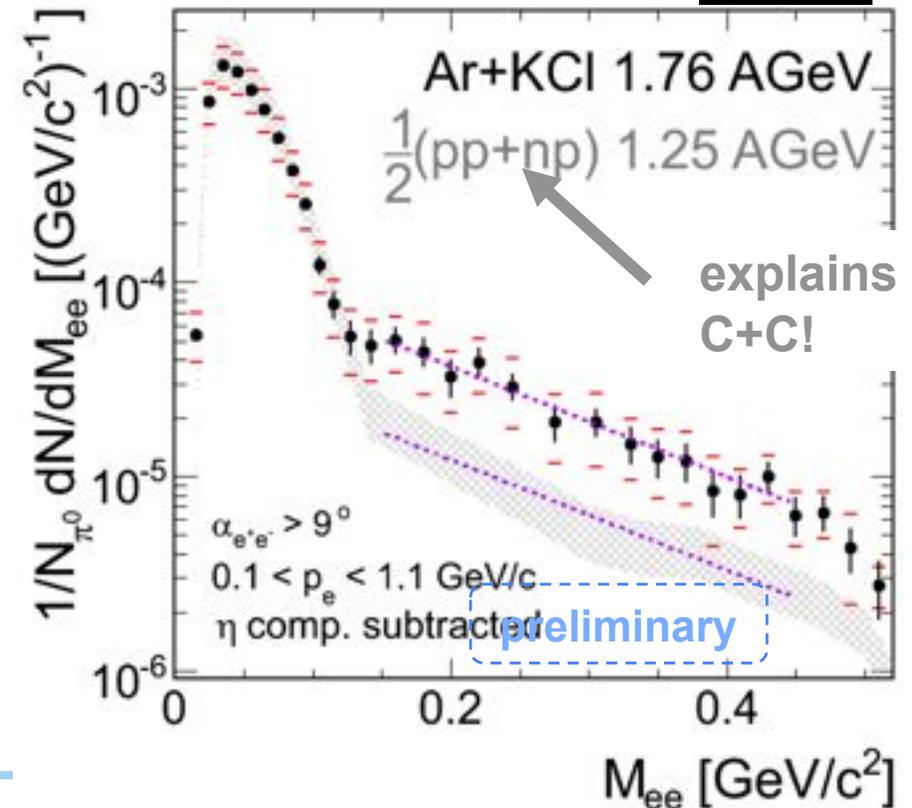
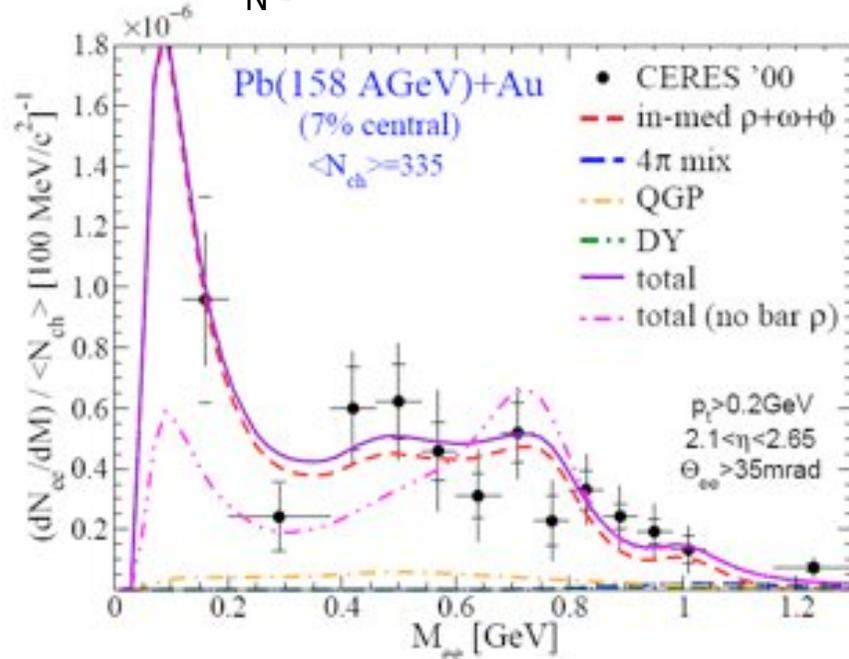
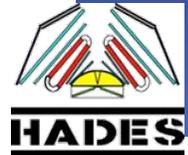
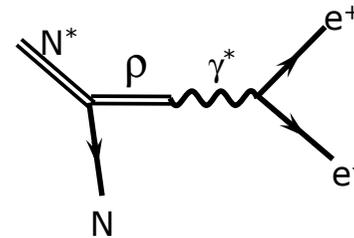
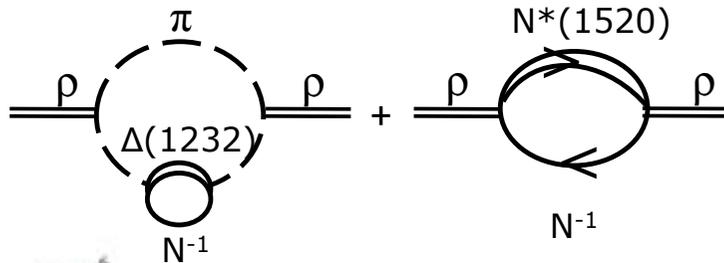


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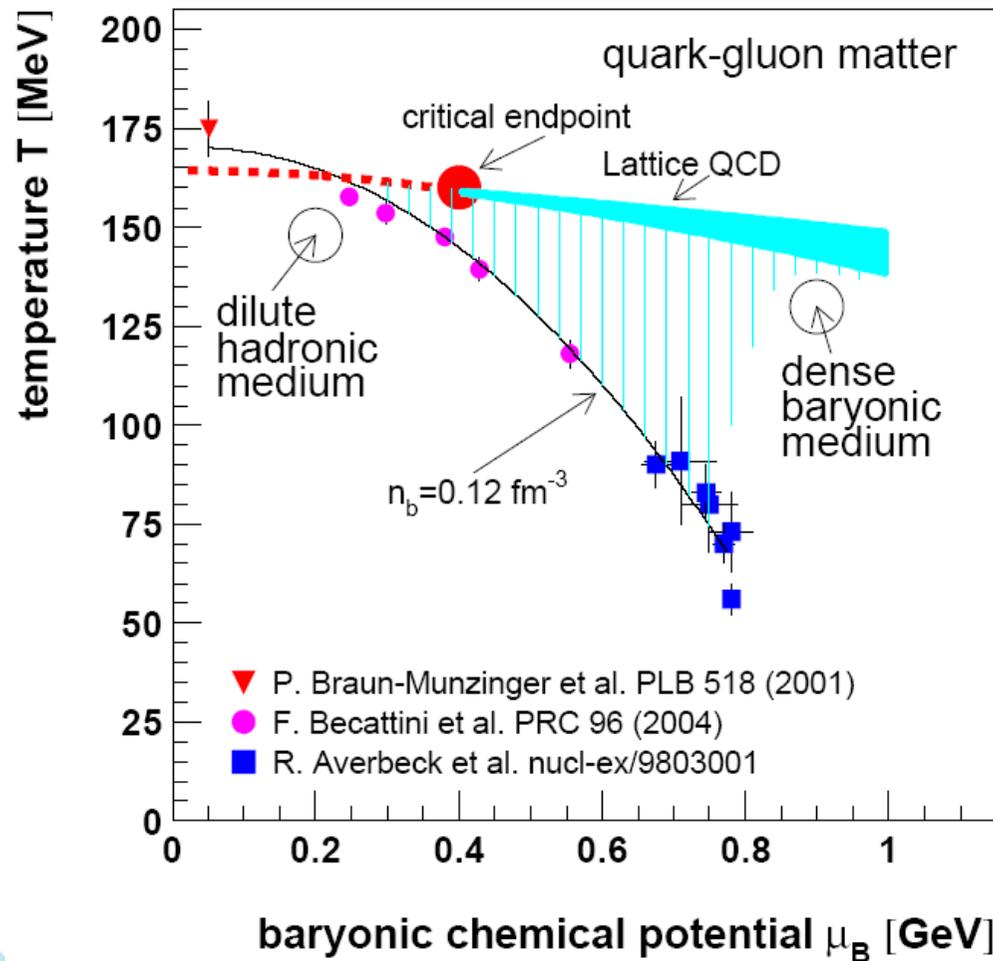
- measurement of di-electron channel: access to lowest masses  
→ strength of dilepton yield at low masses is due to coupling to baryons!
- importance of baryon density: data at 40 show higher excess than at 158 AGeV!



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[calculations: H. v. Hees, R. Rapp,  
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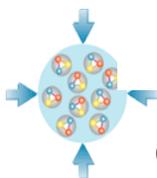
# Summary: What do we know from experiment?

R. Averbeck et al., PRC 67 (2003) 024903



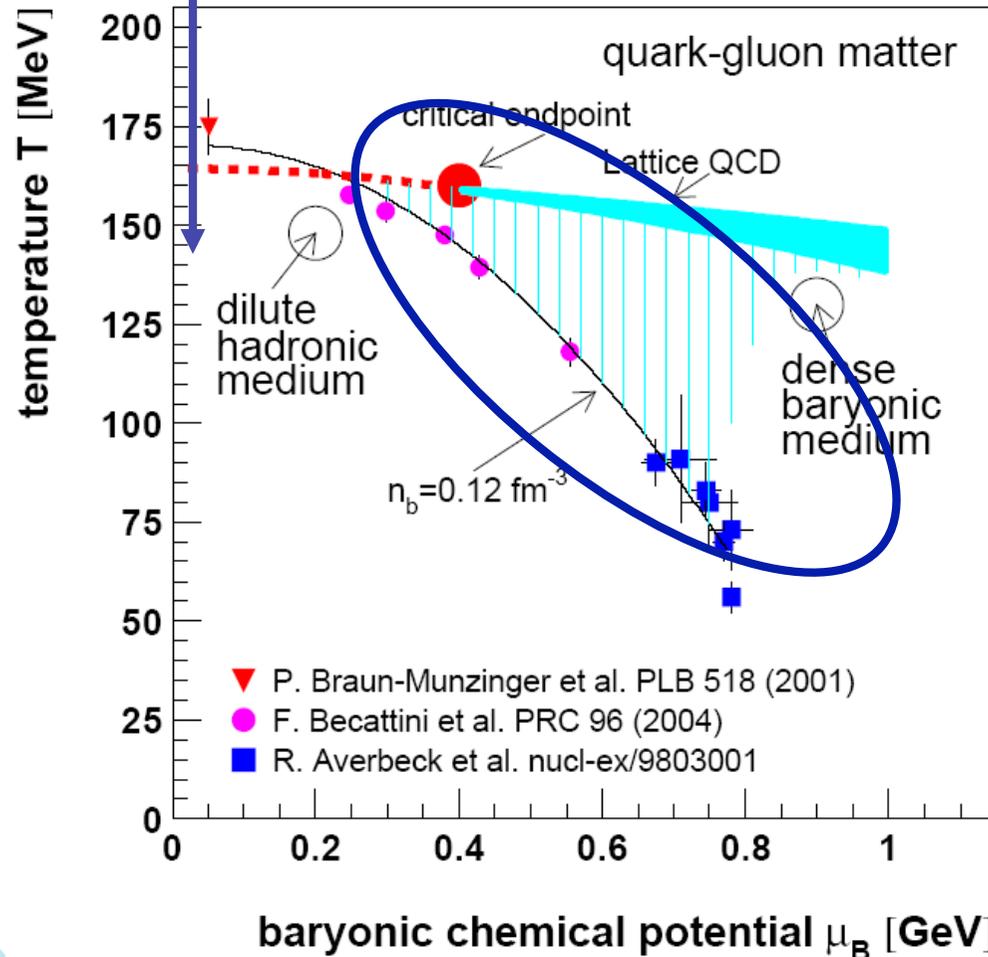
- freeze out curve
- $\mu_B = 0 \text{ MeV}$ :  $T = 164 \text{ MeV}$
- partonic degrees of freedom at RHIC and top SPS
- evidence for onset of deconfinement at lower SPS energies (30 AGeV)
- modifications of hadronic properties in the medium
  - Kaons (SIS)
  - $\rho$ -meson

● ▼ ■ “freeze-out” points: final hadron yields described by statistical model:  $T, \mu_B, V$



# Future experimental programs

1) exploring properties of the QGP at highest T and  $\mu_B=0$ : LHC



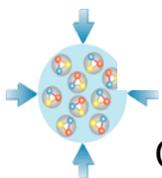
2) searching for structures in the QCD phase diagram at high net-baryon densities; characterization of this matter

**field driven by  
experimental data!**

**need to enter an era  
with quantitative  
characterizations!**

(first steps done at RHIC)

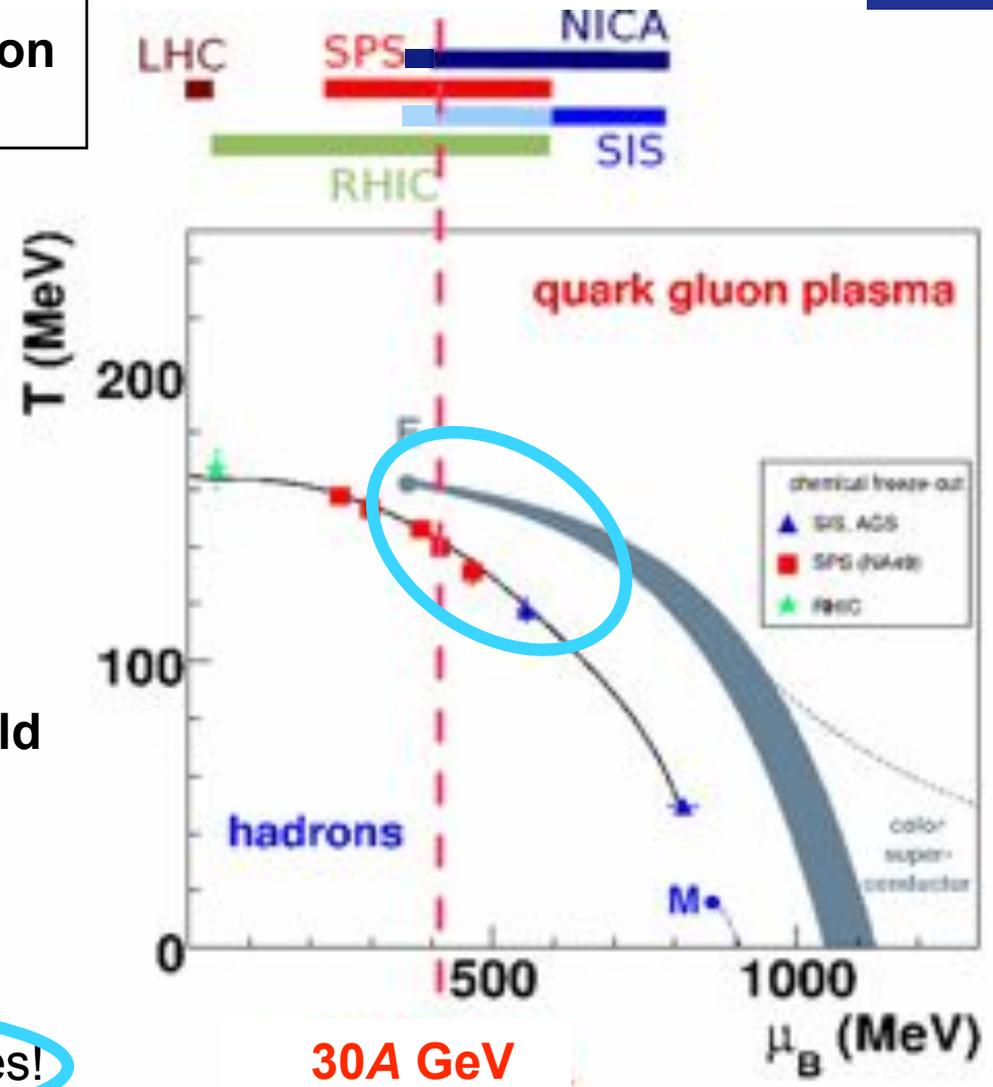
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# Future explorations

complete scan of the QCD phase diagram with modern, 2nd generation experiments on the horizon!

- **RHIC beam energy scan**
  - evolution of medium properties
  - “turn-off” of established signatures
  - search for CP and PT
- **NA61 at SPS**
  - search for CP and PT in energy-system size scan
- **both essentially limited to high yield observables**
- **FAIR and NICA**
  - new accelerator projects
  - **FAIR: high intensities!** → rare probes!



# CBM: Physics topics and Observables

## The equation-of-state at high $\rho_B$

- collective flow of hadrons
- particle production at threshold energies (open charm)

## Deconfinement phase transition at high $\rho_B$

- excitation function and flow of strangeness ( $K, \Lambda, \Sigma, \Xi, \Omega$ )
- excitation function and flow of charm ( $J/\psi, \psi', D^0, D^\pm, \Lambda_c$ )
- charmonium suppression, sequential for  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi'$  ?

## QCD critical endpoint

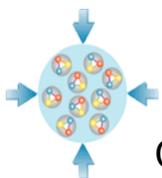
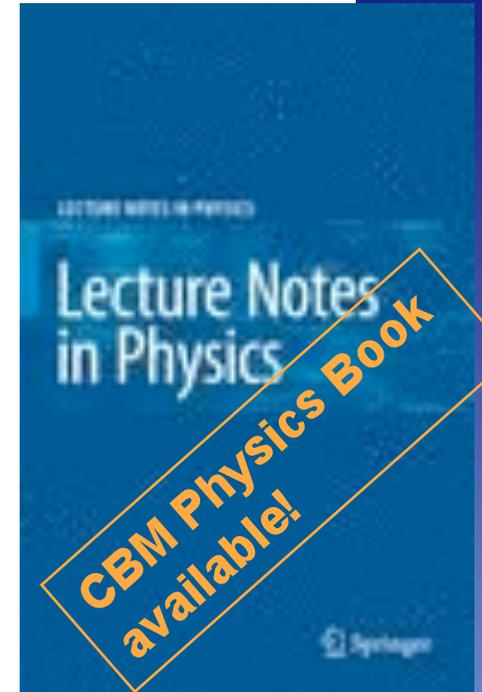
- excitation function of event-by-event fluctuations ( $K/\pi, \dots$ )

## Onset of chiral symmetry restoration at high $\rho_B$

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

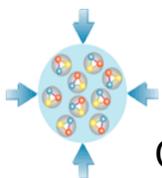
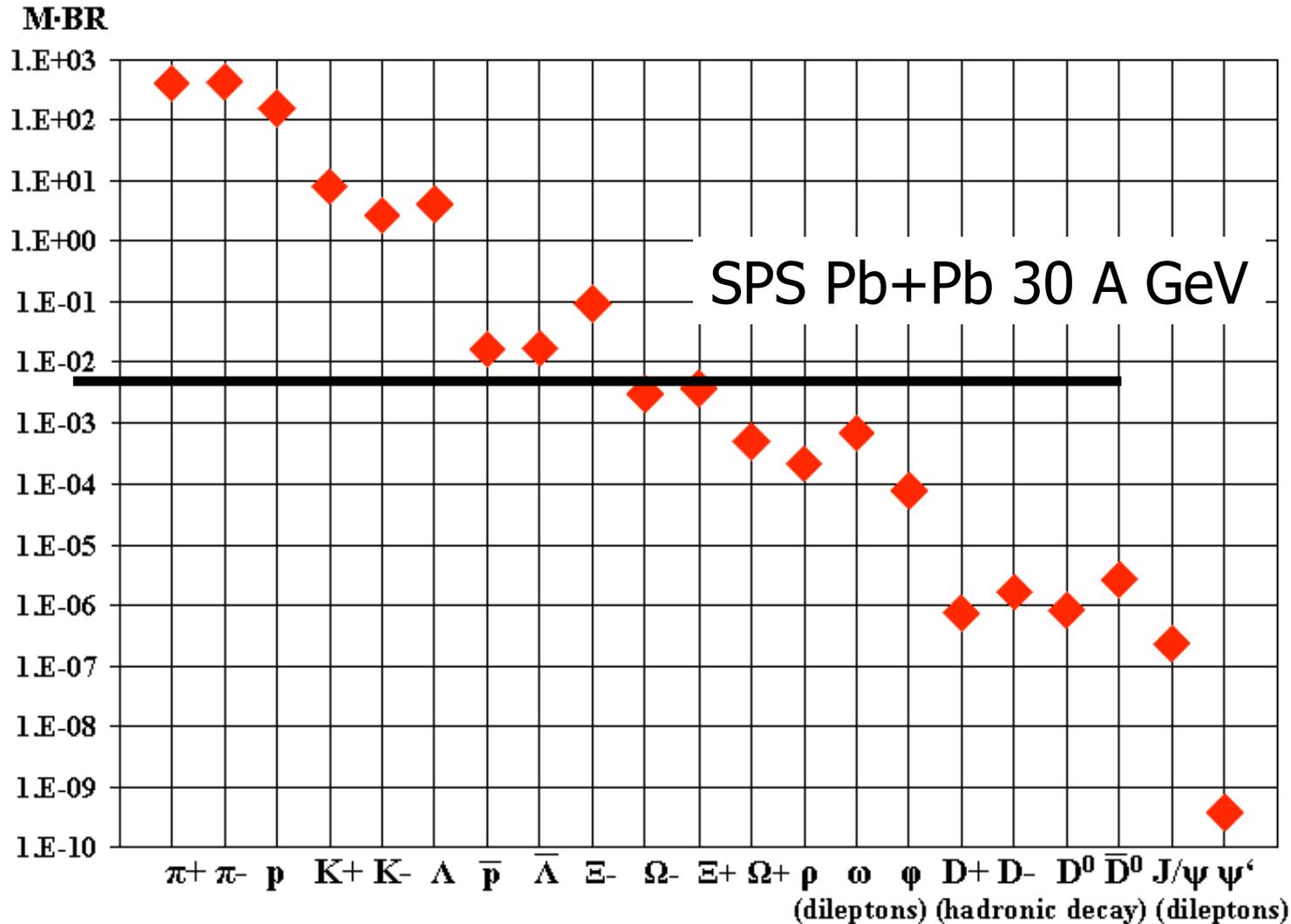
**Systematics & precision!!**

→ characterization of the created medium!



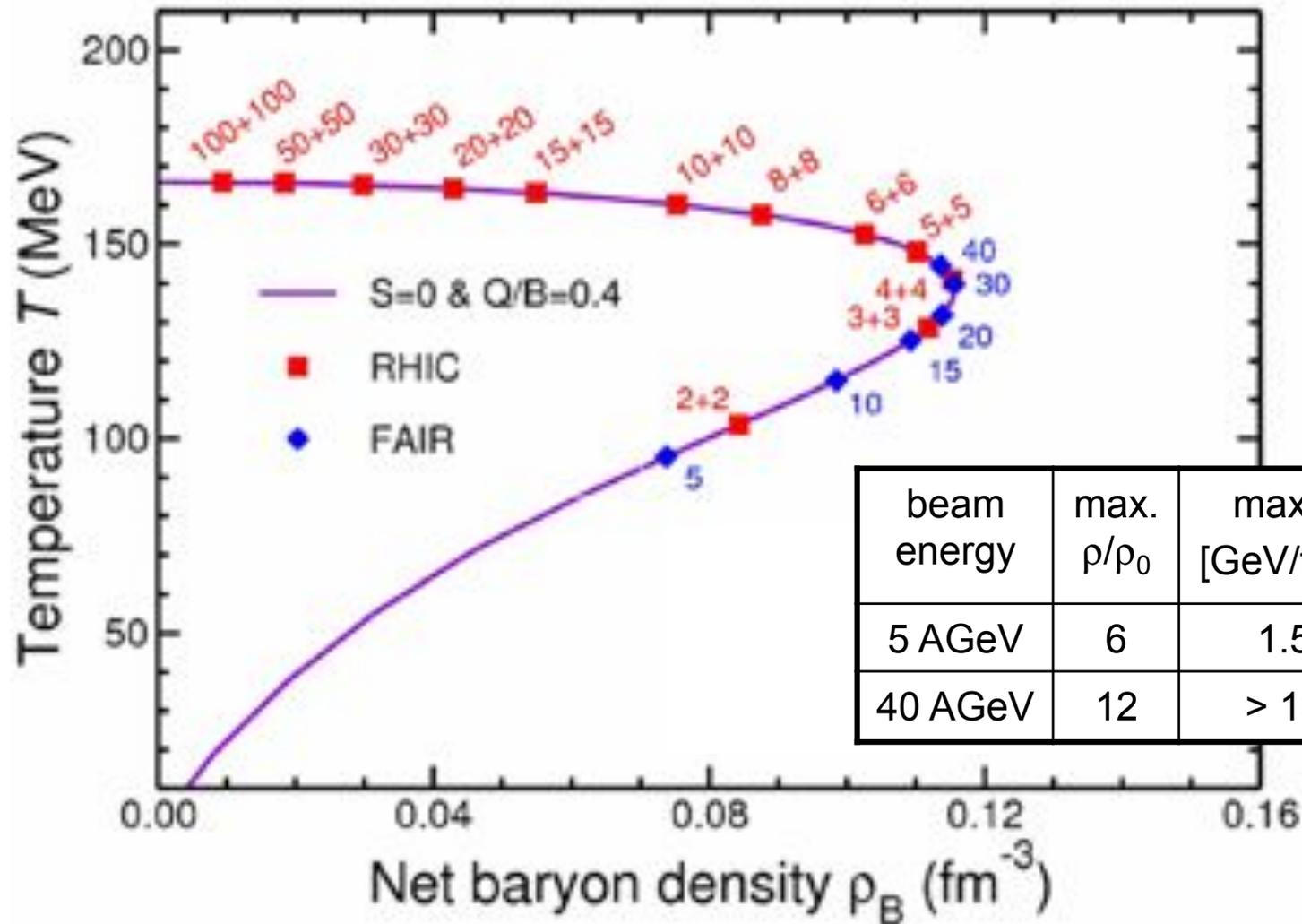
# Particle multiplicities

Particle multiplicity · branching ratio for min. bias Au+Au collisions at 25 GeV (from HSD and thermal model)



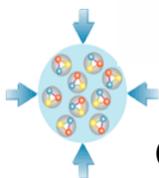
# Highest net-baryon densities at FAIR

- high (net-)baryon and energy densities created in central Au+Au collisions



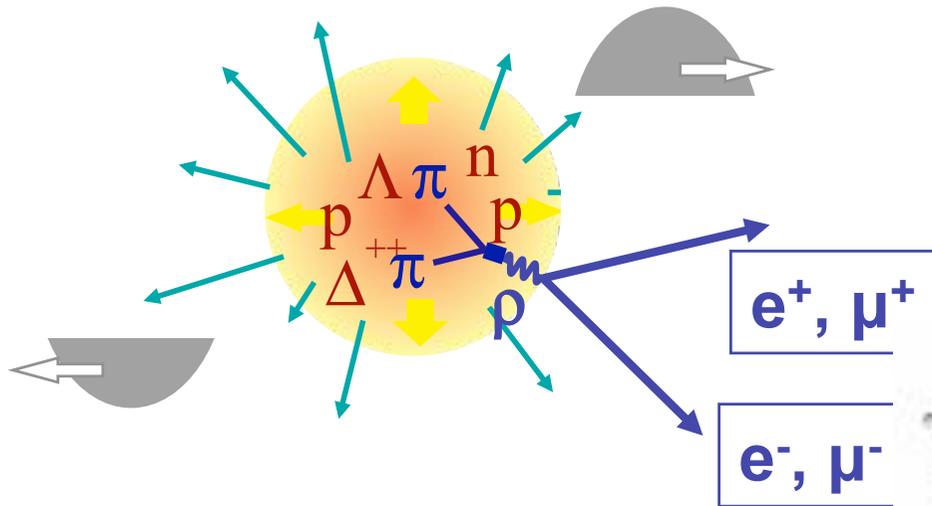
beam energy	max. $\rho/\rho_0$	max $\varepsilon$ [GeV/fm <sup>3</sup> ]	time span ~FWHM
5 AGeV	6	1.5	~ 8 fm/c
40 AGeV	12	> 10	~ 3.5 fm/c

[J. Randrup, J. Cleymans PRC74, 047901 (2006)]



# Exploring nuclear matter with penetrating probes

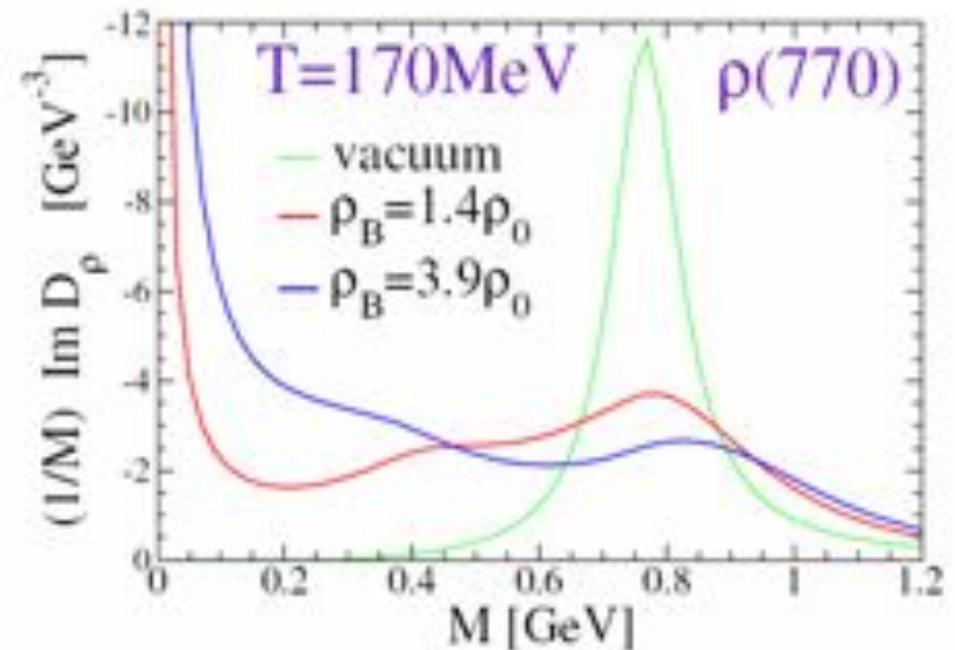
- dileptons are penetrating probes – direct radiation from the created hot and dense matter



— "SPS"  
— "FAIR"

## $\rho$ - meson

- vacuum lifetime  $\tau_0 = 1.3 \text{ fm}/c$
- couples to the medium  $\rightarrow$  change of hadronic properties:  
 $\rho$  "melts" close to  $T_c$  and at high  $\mu_B$
- connection to chiral symmetry restor.

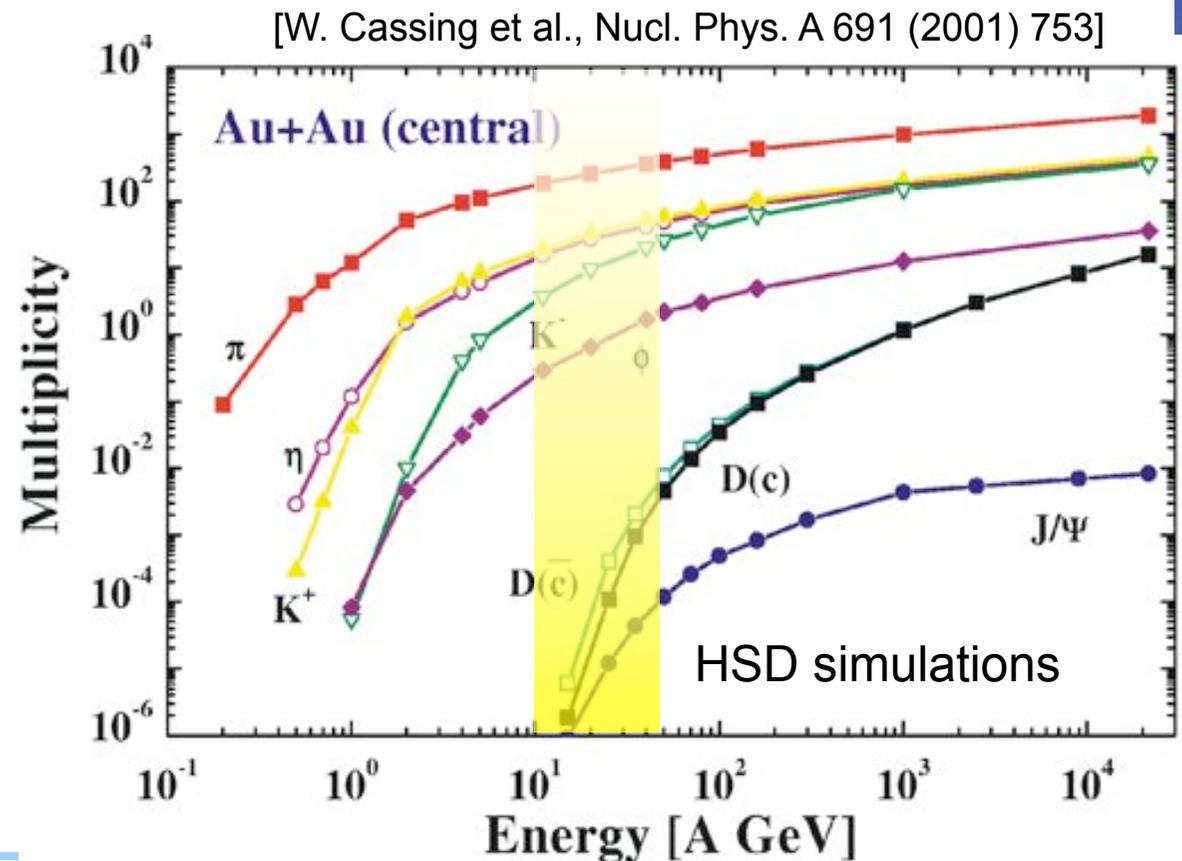
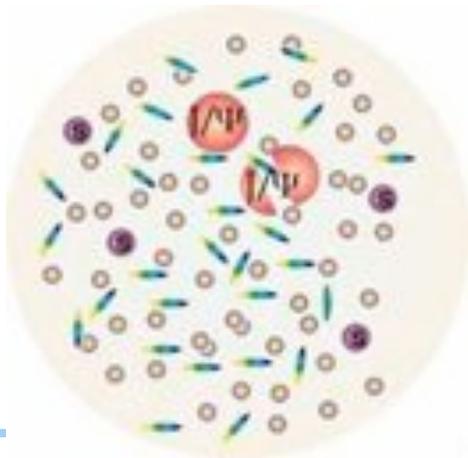


[R. Rapp, priv. com. (CBM physics book)]

# Charm production at threshold

- CBM will measure charm production at threshold
  - after primordial production, the survival, momentum and distribution amongst different hadrons of charm depends on the interactions with the dense and hot medium!
  - direct probe of the medium!

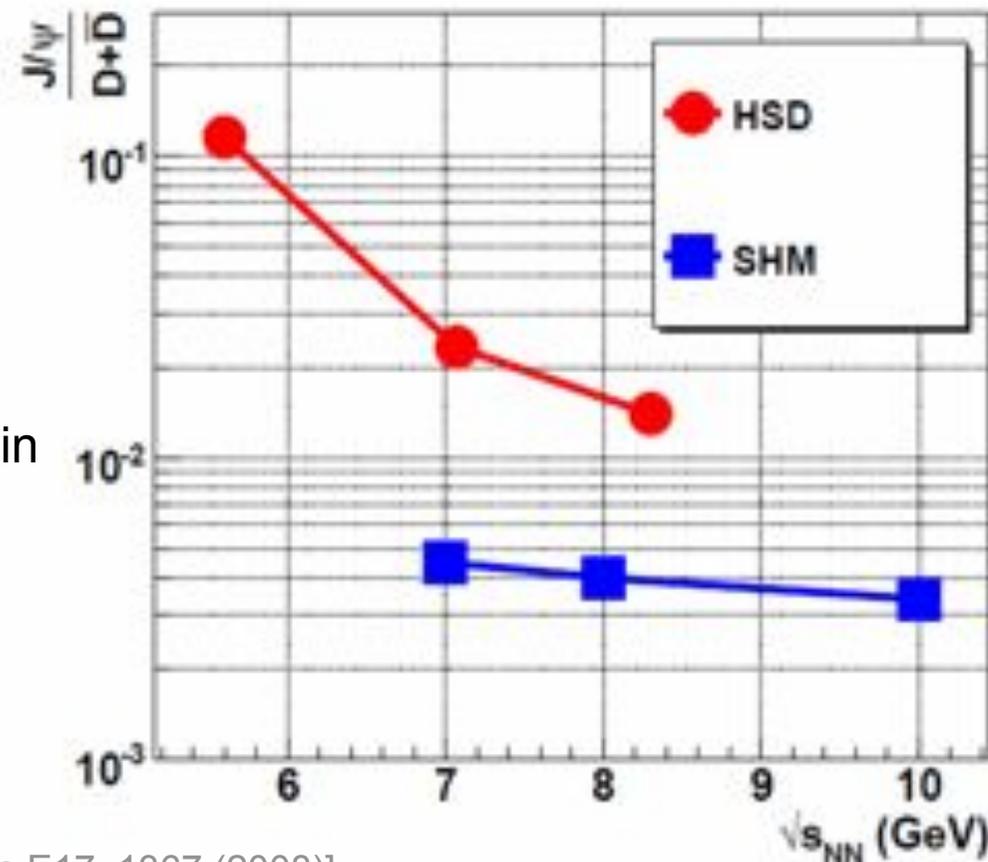
- charmonium in hot and dense matter?
- relation to deconfinement?
- relation to open charm?



# Charm propagation

Propagation of produced charm quarks in the dense phase –  
quark like or (pre-)hadron like?

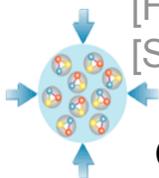
- charmonium to open charm ratio as indicator – **measure both!**
- indications of collectivity?



- first charm measurements in A+A below 158 AGeV!
- aim at detailed information including phase space distributions, flow!

[HSD: O. Linnyk et al., Int.J.Mod.Phys.E17, 1367 (2008)]

[SHM: A. Andronic et al., Phys. Lett. B 659 (2008) 149]

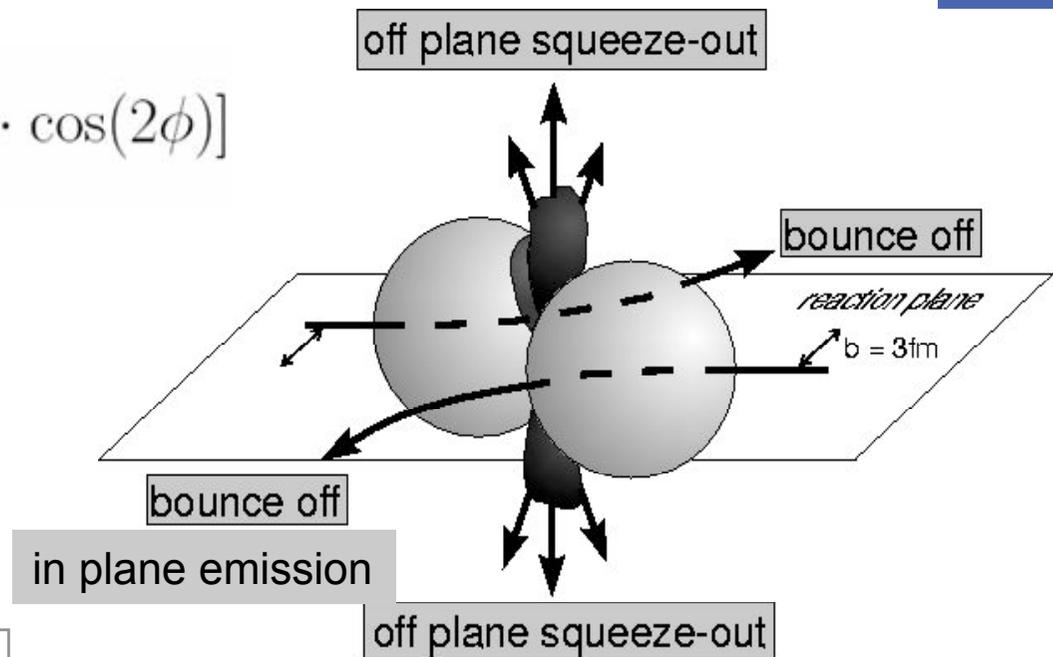
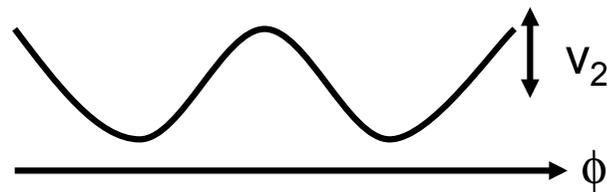


# A+A collisions (IV)

- the geometry of the colliding nuclei determines another important measure, the **reaction plane**
- relative to the reaction plane particle emission patterns (**flow**) can be measured, rich structure!

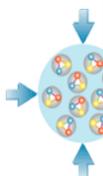
Fourier expansion of the  $dN/d\phi$  distribution:

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

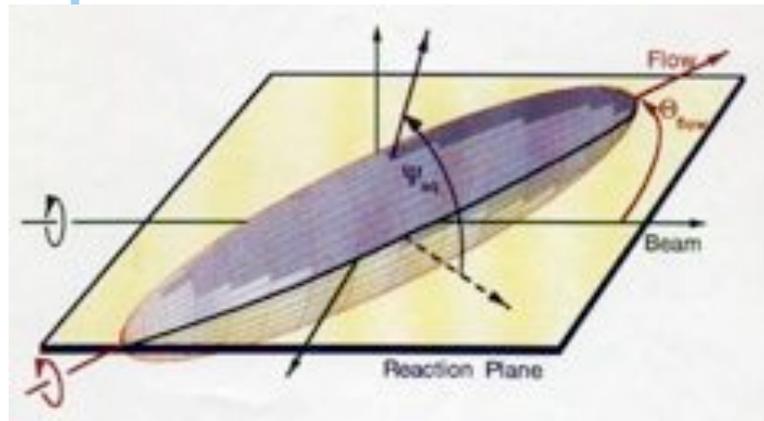
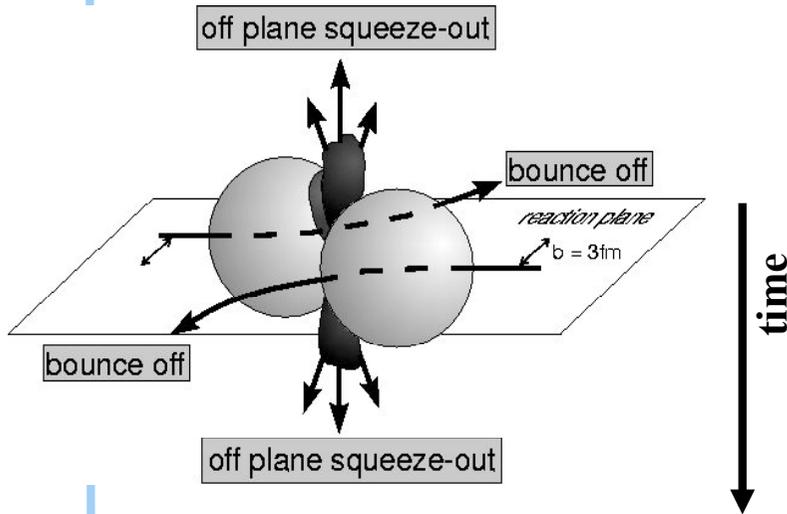


the coefficients quantify :

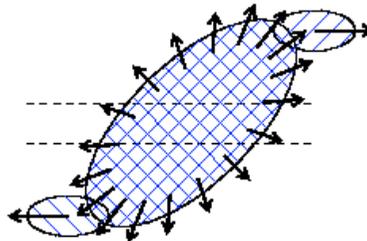
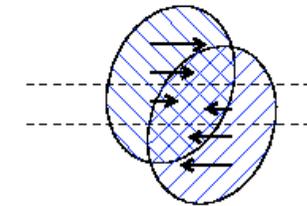
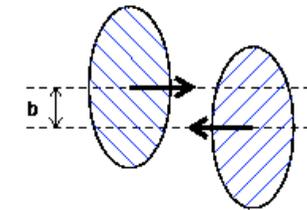
- $v_1$  the **in-plane** and
- $v_2$  the **elliptic** emission pattern



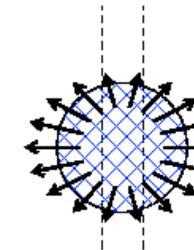
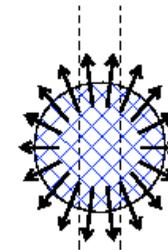
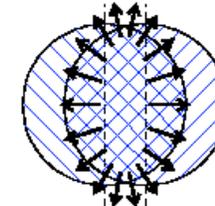
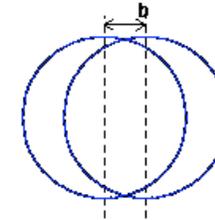
# Sideflow versus elliptic flow



reaction plane



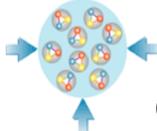
transverse plane  
(at midrapidity)



spacial  
overlap  
eccentricity

momentum  
anisotropy

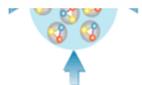
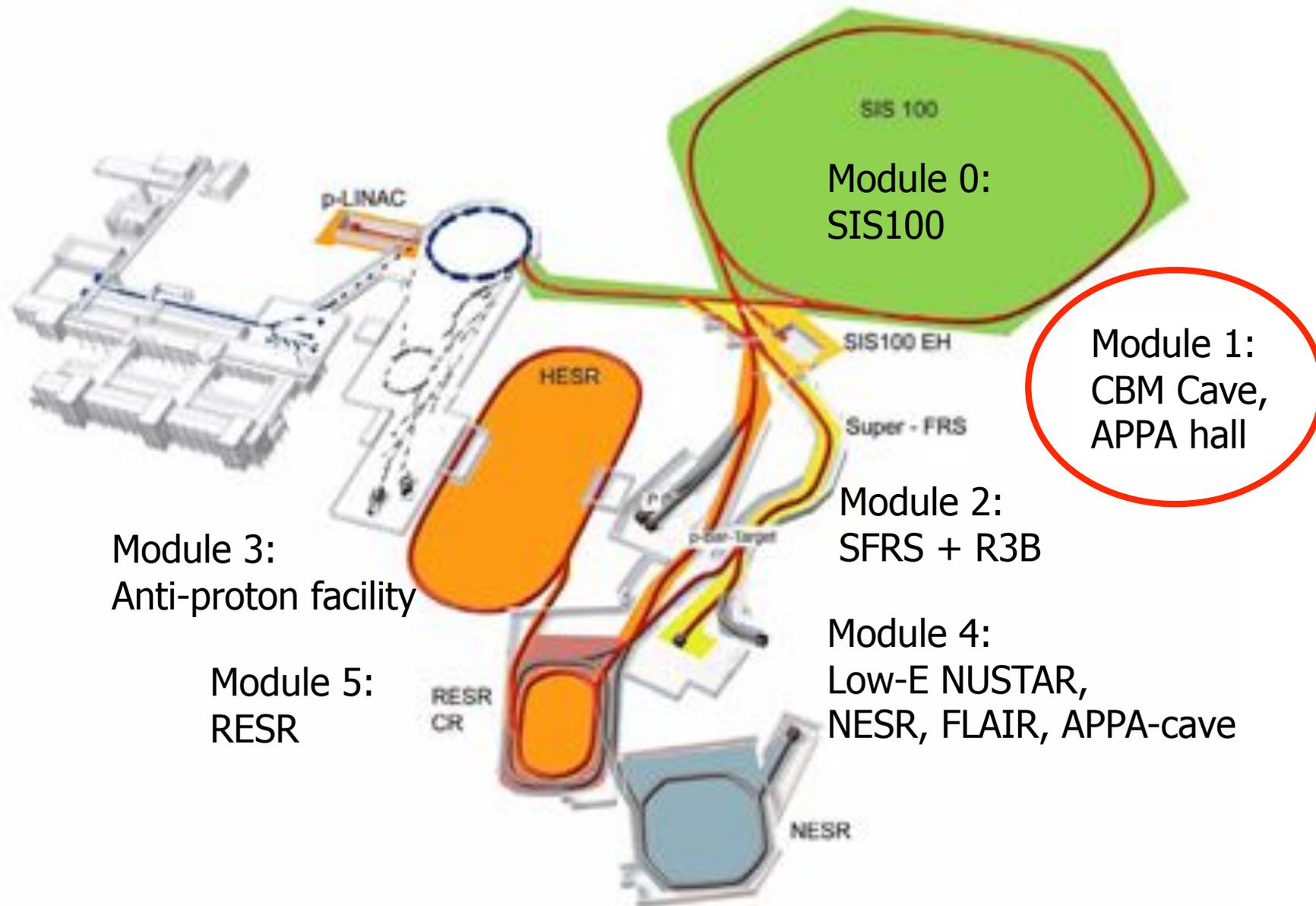
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Psi} \propto [1 + 2v_1 \cos(\Psi) + 2v_2 \cos(2\Psi)]$$



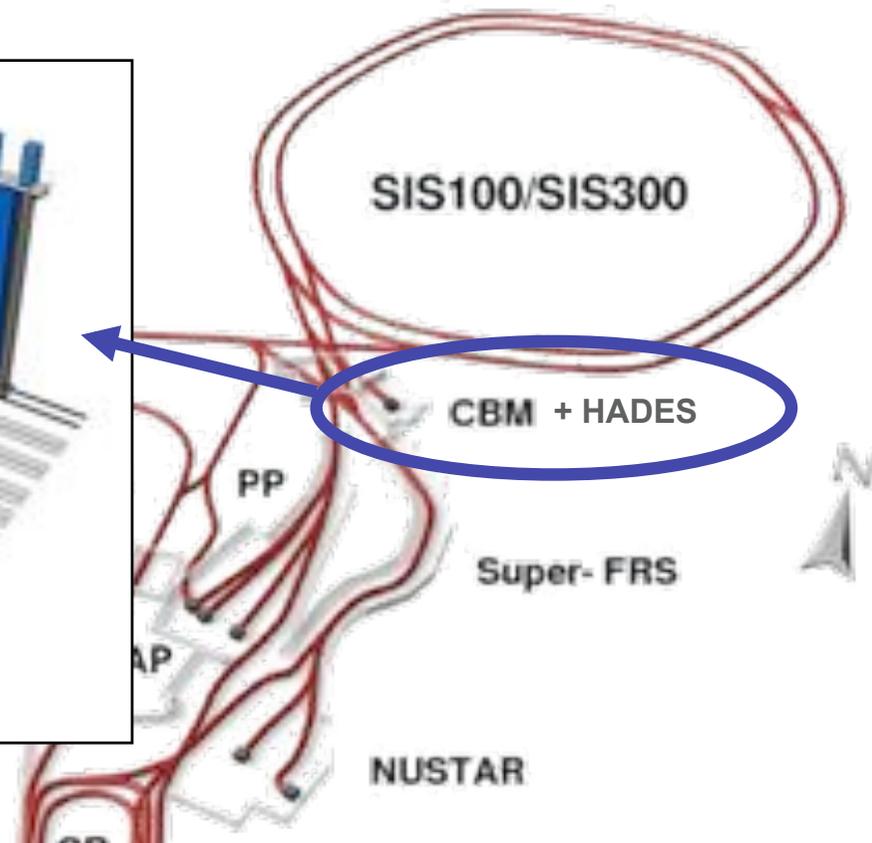
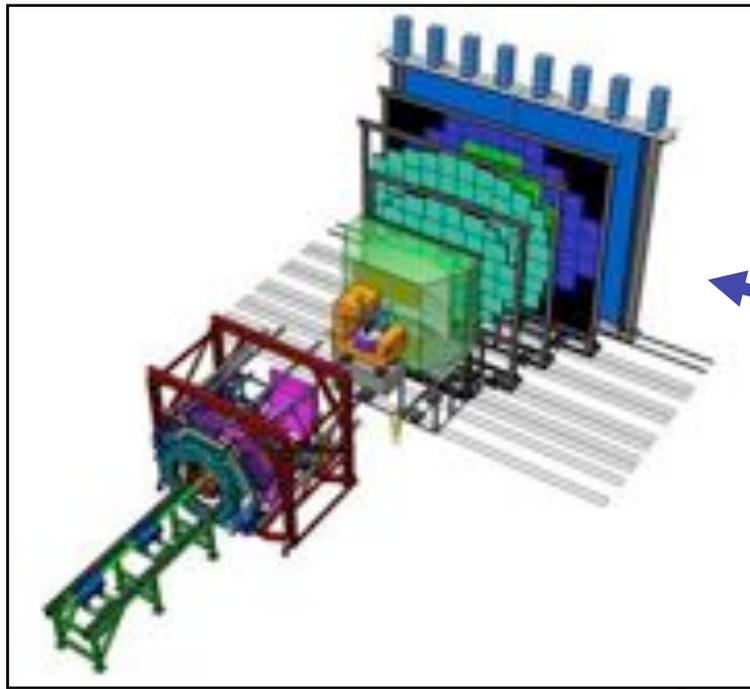
$v_1 < 0$     $v_1 > 0$   
**sideflow**  
 $P_x = v_1 P_t$

$v_2 < 0$     $v_2 > 0$   
**elliptic flow**  
 $R_N = (1 + v_2)/(1 - v_2)$

# HADES and CBM startversion at SIS 100

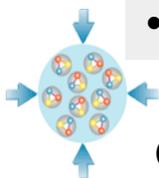


# CBM @ FAIR



## CBM and HADES at SIS 100 and SIS 300

- systematic exploration of high baryon density matter in A+A collisions from 2 – 45 AGeV beam energy with 2nd generation experiments
- explore the QCD phase diagram, chiral symmetry restoration

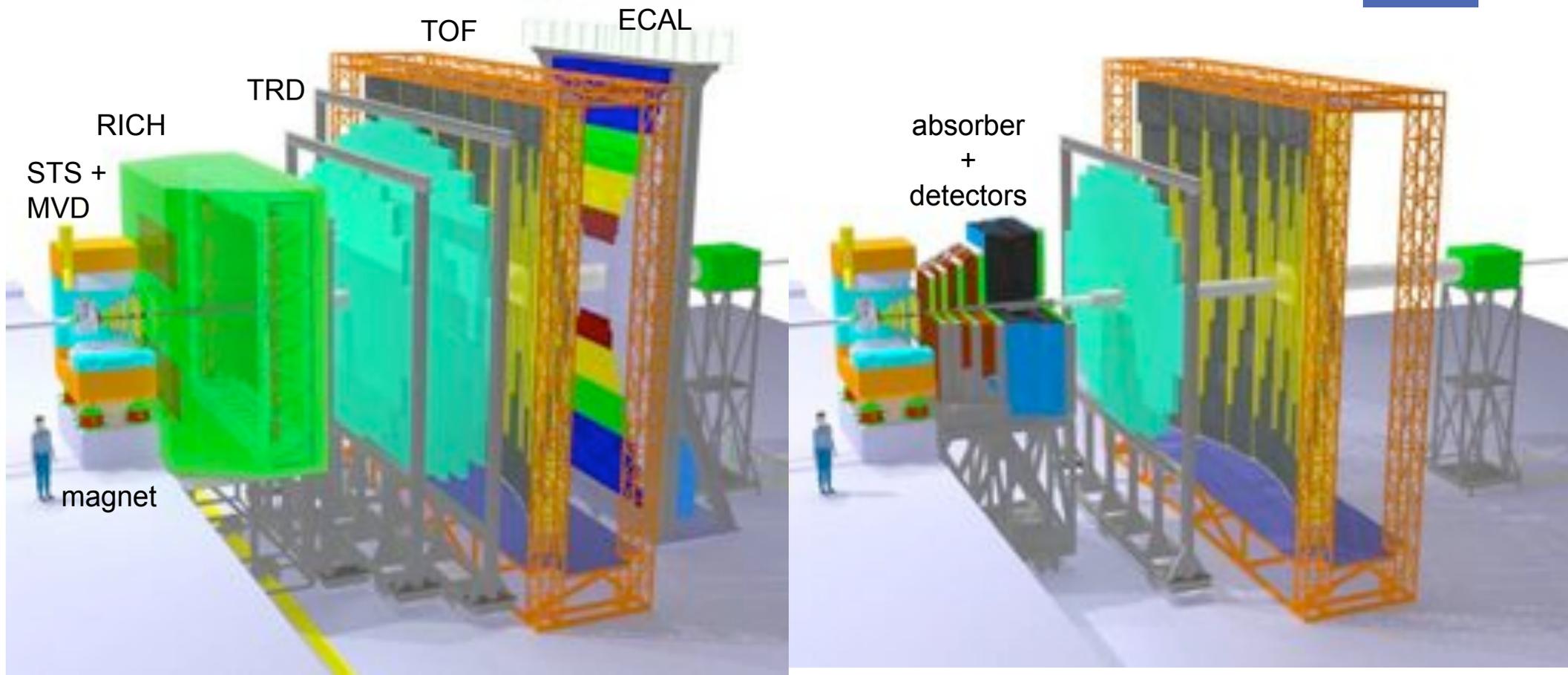


# The CBM experiment

- tracking, momentum determination, vertex reconstruction: radiation hard silicon pixel/strip detectors (STS) in a magnetic dipole field
- hadron ID: TOF (& RICH)
- photons,  $\pi^0$ ,  $\eta$ : ECAL
- PSD for event characterization
- high speed DAQ and trigger → **rare probes!**

• **electron ID**: RICH & TRD  
→  $\pi$  suppression  $\geq 10^4$

• **muon ID**: absorber + detector layer sandwich  
→ move out absorbers for hadron runs

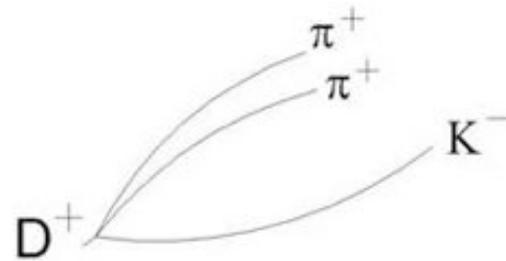


# STS tracking – heart of CBM

**Challenge:** high track density:  $\approx 600$  charged particles in  $\pm 25^\circ$  @ 10MHz

## Task

- track reconstruction:  $0.1 \text{ GeV}/c < p \leq 10\text{-}12 \text{ GeV}/c$   $\Delta p/p \sim 1\%$  ( $p=1 \text{ GeV}/c$ )
- primary and secondary vertex reconstruction (resolution  $\leq 50 \mu\text{m}$ )
- $V_0$  track pattern recognition



$$c\tau = 312 \mu\text{m}$$

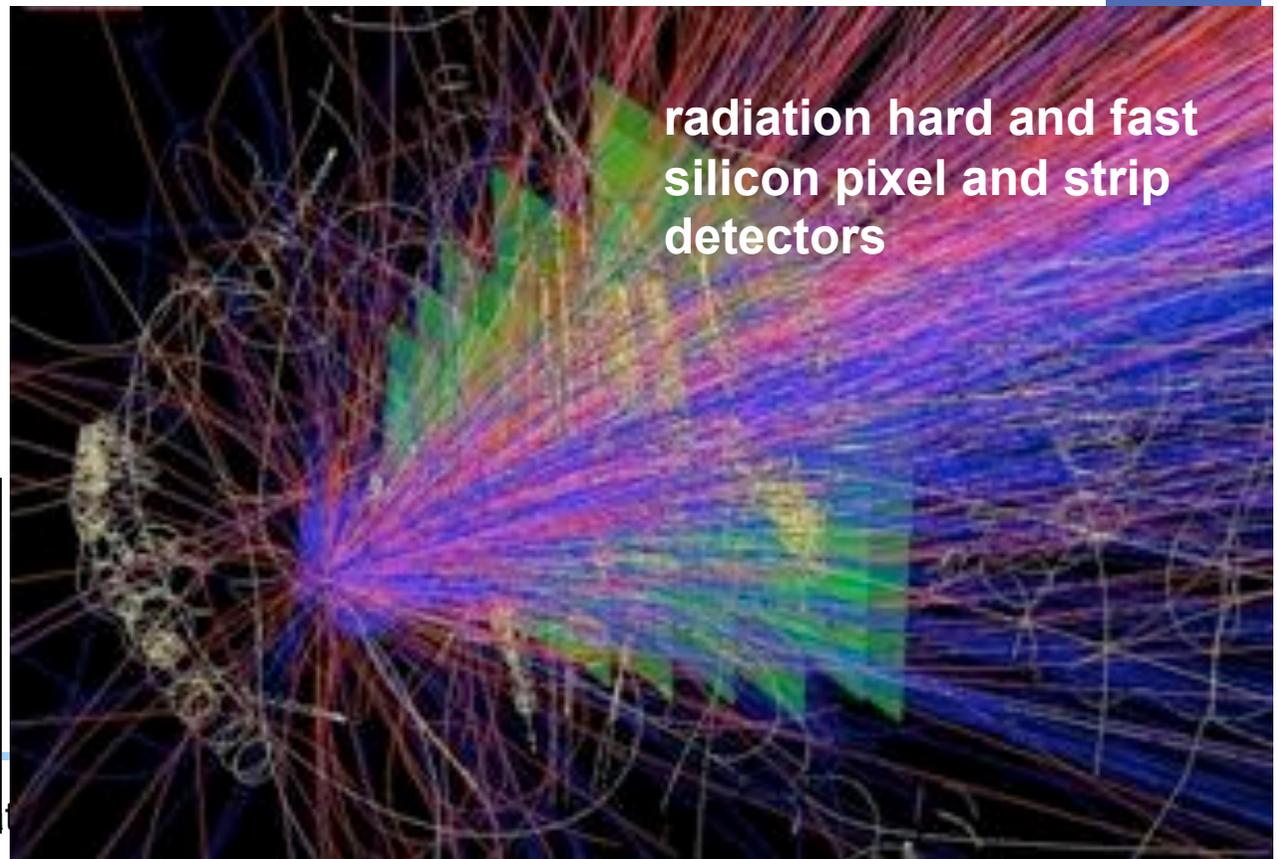
radiation hard and fast  
silicon pixel and strip  
detectors

**self triggered FEE**

**high speed DAQ and trigger**

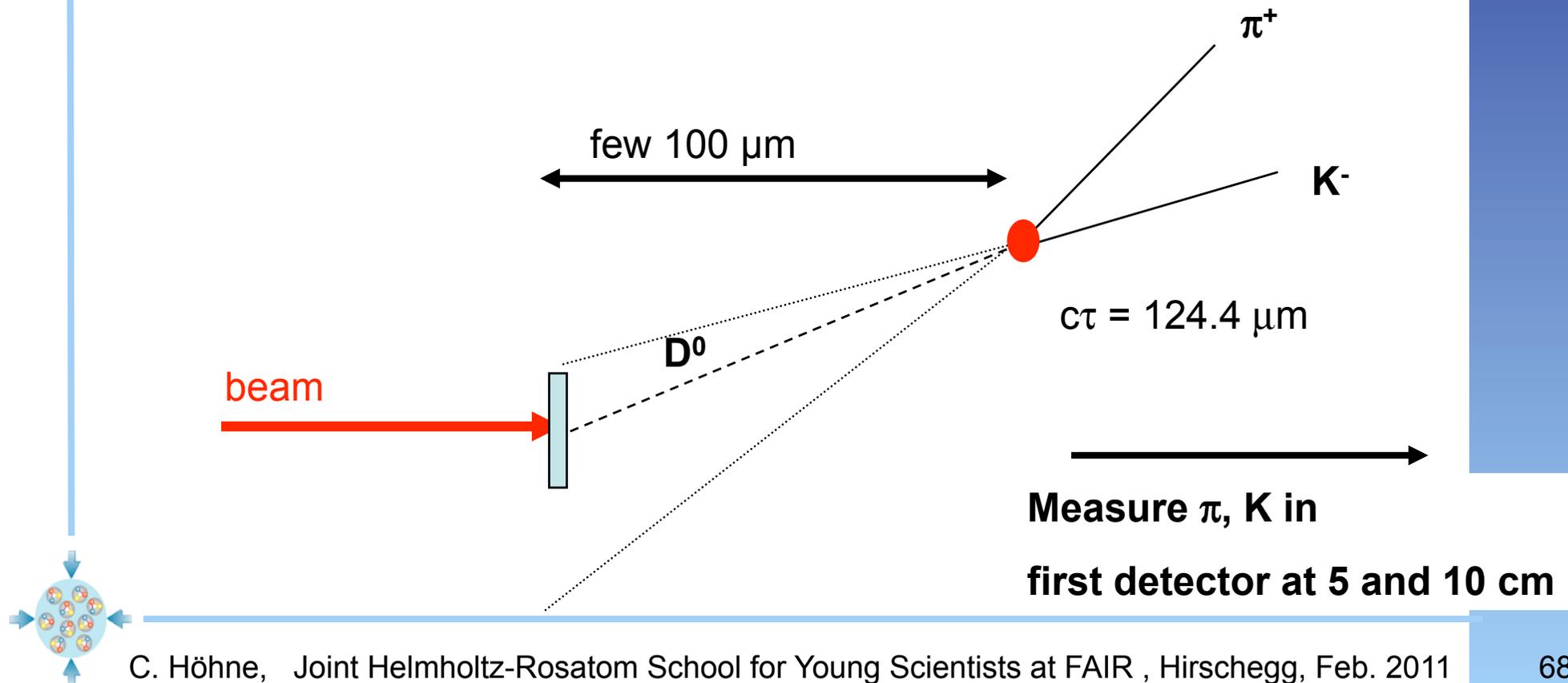
**online track reconstruction!**

**fast & rad. hard detectors!**



# Open charm reconstruction

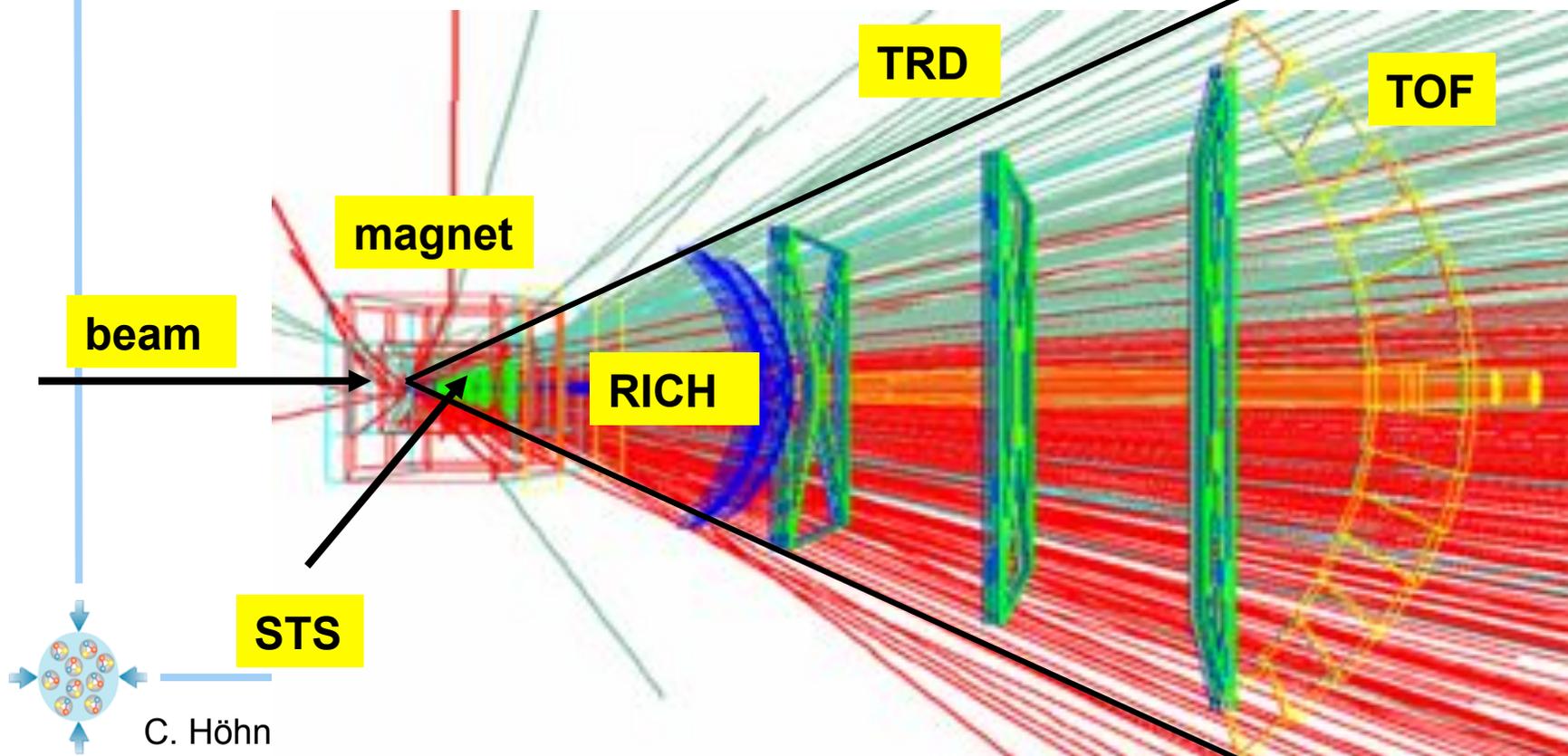
- open charm reconstruction via the reconstruction of their 2ndary decay vertex
- most important features for background rejection
  - good position resolution of 2ndary decay vertex
  - good position resolution for back extrapolation of decay particles to primary vertex plane
- thin high resolution detectors needed which are close to the primary vertex!



# CBM – detector concept

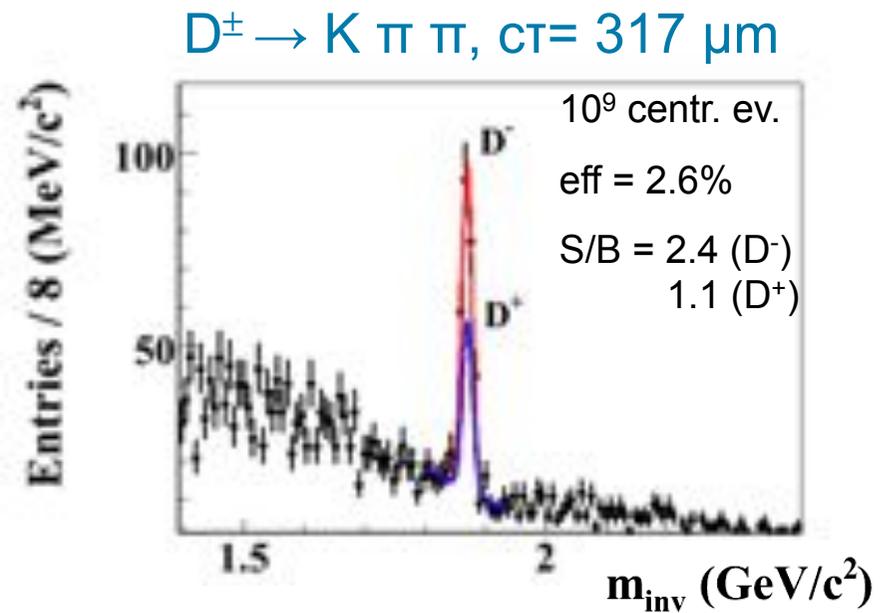
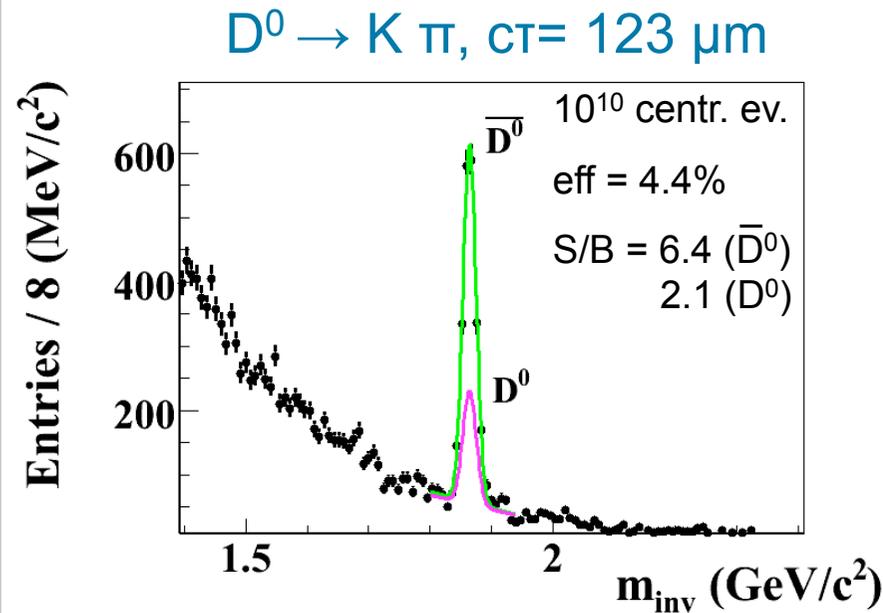
- fixed target experiment, "medium" energies  
→ large solid angle to be covered
- high rate, multipurpose detector including open charm reconstruction  
→ fast, excellent tracking based on silicon pixel and strip detectors directly behind the target and inside a magnetic field  
→ add particle identification afterwards (leptons, hadrons)

drives layout



# Simulation of open charm reconstruction

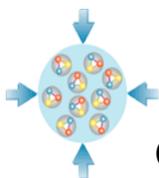
- STS – 8 double-sided Si micro-strip sensor stations (each 400  $\mu\text{m}$  Si equ.)
- MVD – 2 MAPS pixel sensors (300  $\mu\text{m}$ , 500  $\mu\text{m}$ ) at  $z = 5$  cm, 10 cm
- no K,  $\pi$  id.; p rejection via TOF; 2ndary vertex resolution  $\sim 50$   $\mu\text{m}$
- semi-realistic detector response



$10^{12}$  minbias events  
 25A GeV Au+Au

$\sim 7\text{k } D_0 + 20\text{k } \bar{D}_0$

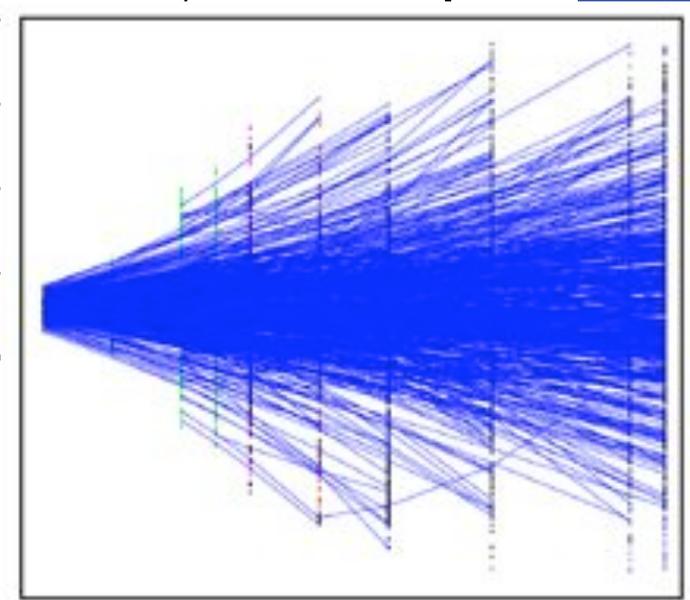
$\sim 12\text{k } D^+ + 26\text{k } D^-$



# Parallelization in CBM Reconstruction !

- fast event reconstruction is a **must** for CBM!

	Vector SIMD	MultiThreading	NVIDIA CUDA	OpenCL
STS	+	+	+	+
MuCh	+	+		
RICH	+	+		
TRD	+	+		
Vertexing	+			
Open Charm Analysis	+			



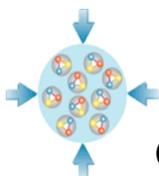
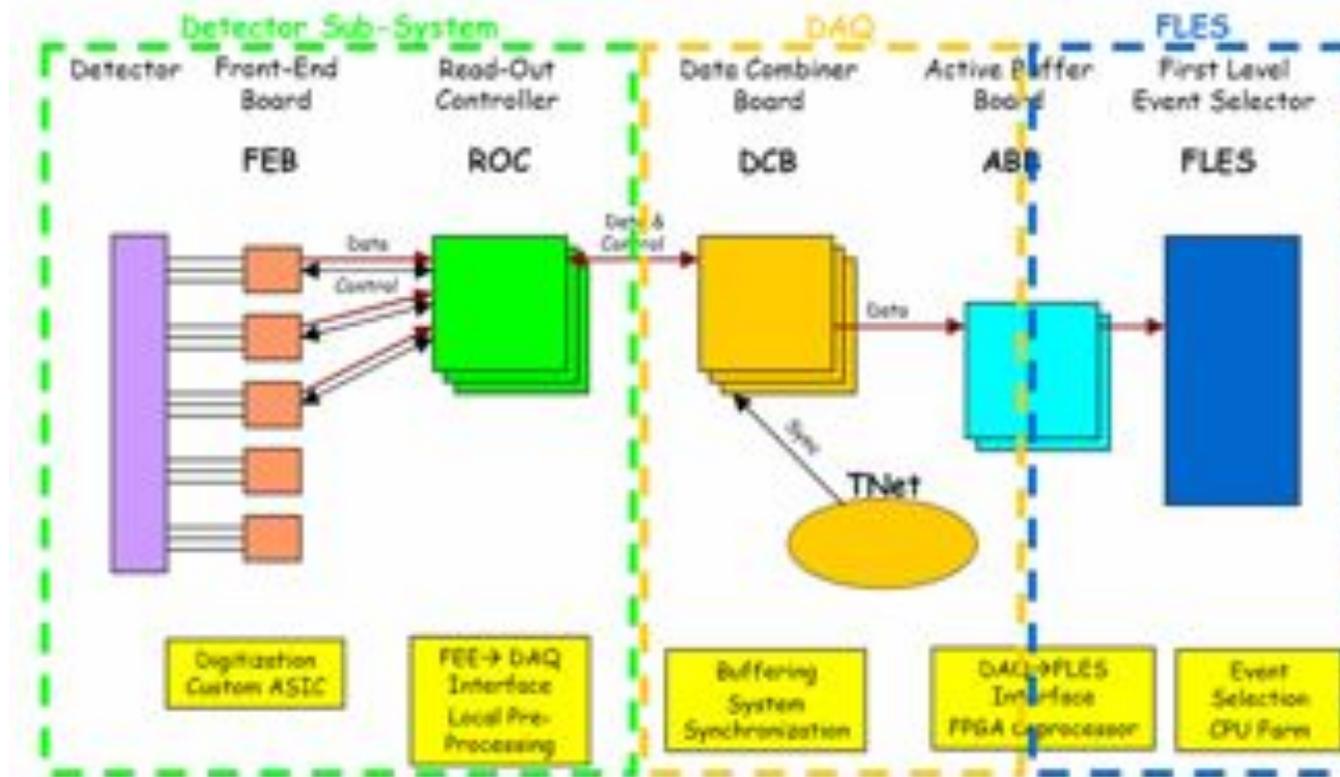
## DELL Server with:

- **Core i7/Nehalem 2x**(Xeon X5550 4x2.66 GHz, 8 MB L3 cache)
- **DDR3-1333 36 GB** main memory
- **NVIDIA GTX 295 2x240 FPU**s, 1792 MB
- optional **LRB**

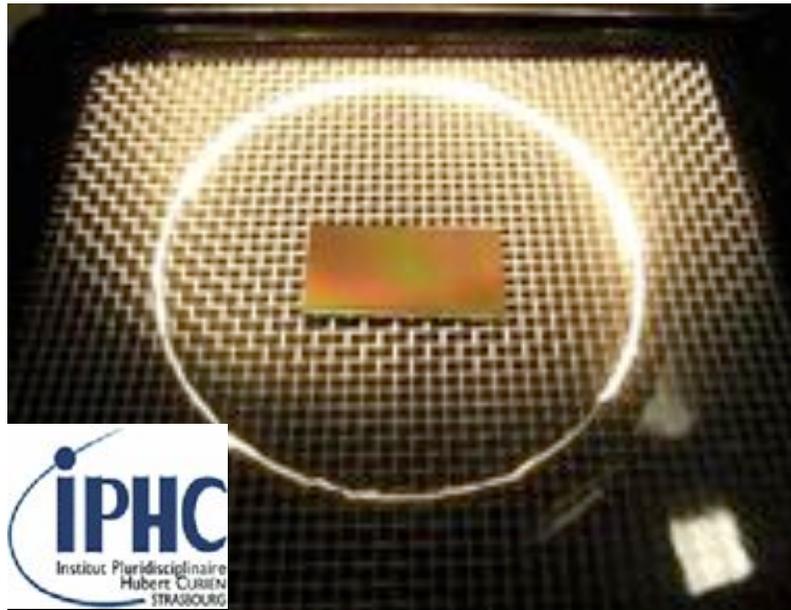
# Self-triggered readout electronics

- self-triggered readout electronics
- data-push architecture
- trigger evaluation with online tracking on large PC farm

## The CBM Generic Read-out Chain



# Sensors for the MVD



## Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (MAPS, also CMOS-Sensors)

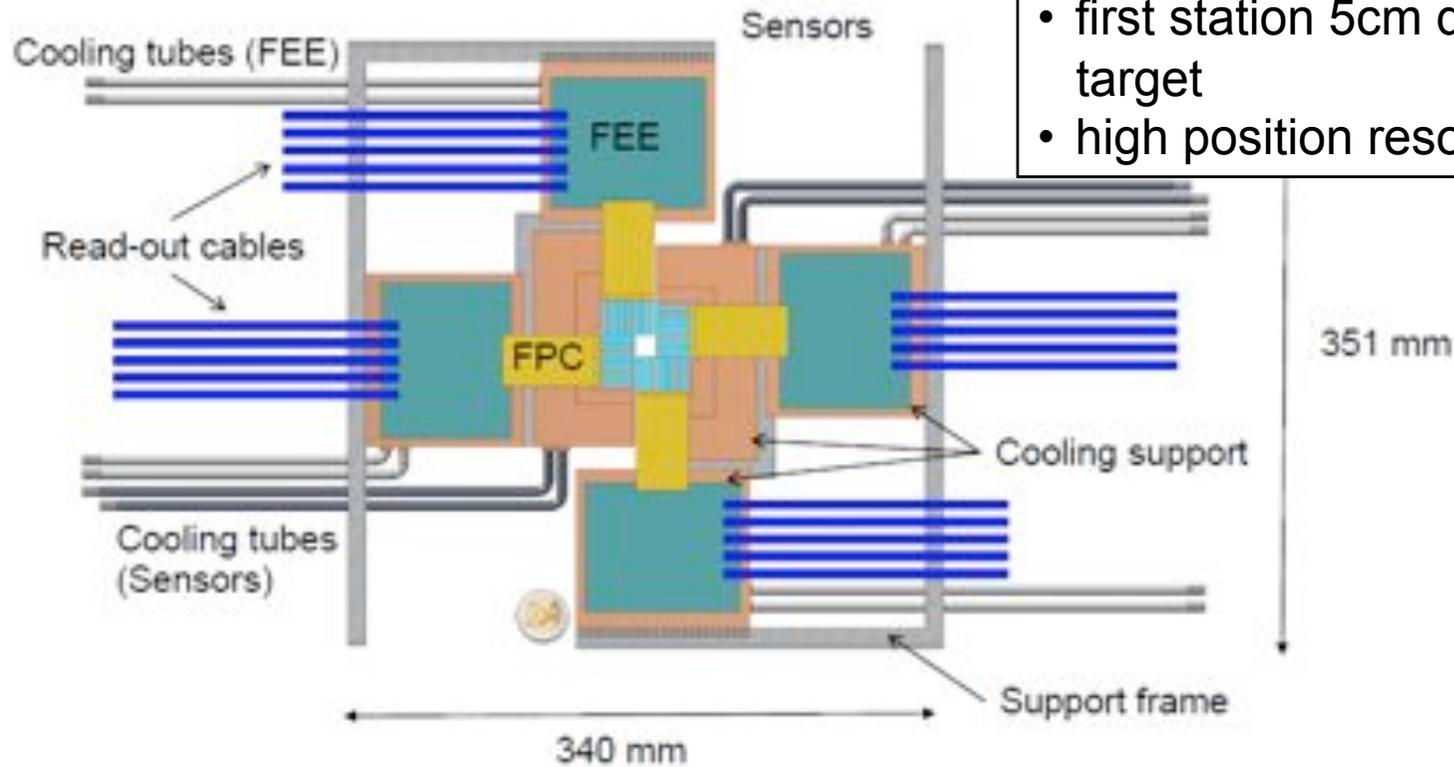
- Invented by industry (digital camera)
- Modified for charged particle detection since 1999 by IPHC Strasbourg
- Also foreseen for ILC, STAR...

Best values reached

Current compromise

	CBM wish list	MAPS* (2003)	MAPS* (2009)	MIMOSA-26 Binary, $\emptyset$
Single point res.	~ 5 $\mu\text{m}$	1.5 $\mu\text{m}$	1 $\mu\text{m}$	4 $\mu\text{m}$
Material budget	< 0.3% $X_0$	~ 0.1% $X_0$	~ 0.05% $X_0$	~ 0.05% $X_0$
Rad. hard. non-io.	> $10^{13}$ $n_{\text{eq}}$	$10^{12}$ $n_{\text{eq}}/\text{cm}^2$	> $3 \times 10^{13}$ $n_{\text{eq}}$	few $10^{13}$ $n_{\text{eq}}$
Rad. hard. io	> 3 Mrad	200 krad	> 1 Mrad	> 300 krad
Time resolution	< 30 $\mu\text{s}$	~ 1 ms	~ 25 $\mu\text{s}$	80 $\mu\text{s}$

# Micro Vertex Detecor (MVD) Development

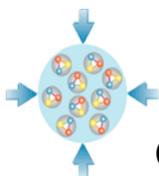


- first station 5cm downstream of target
- high position resolution!

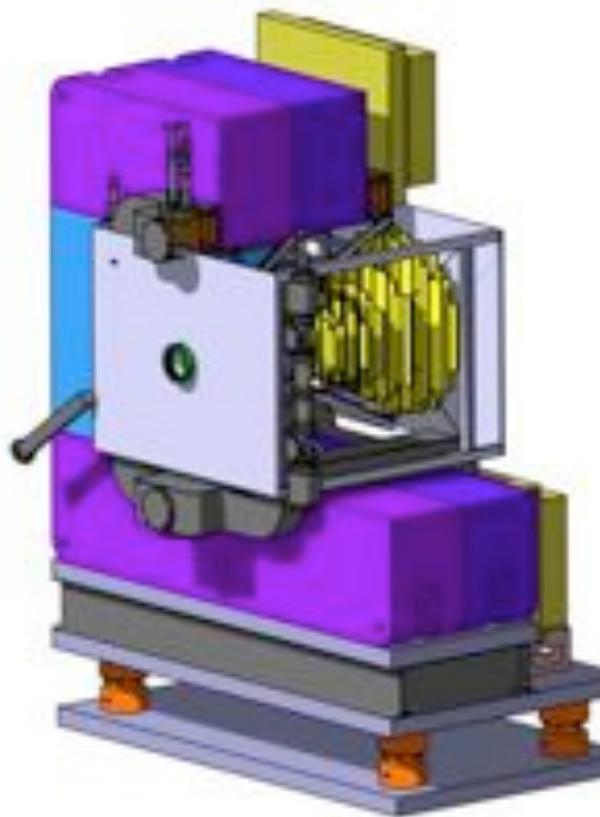
first demonstrator tested in beam!



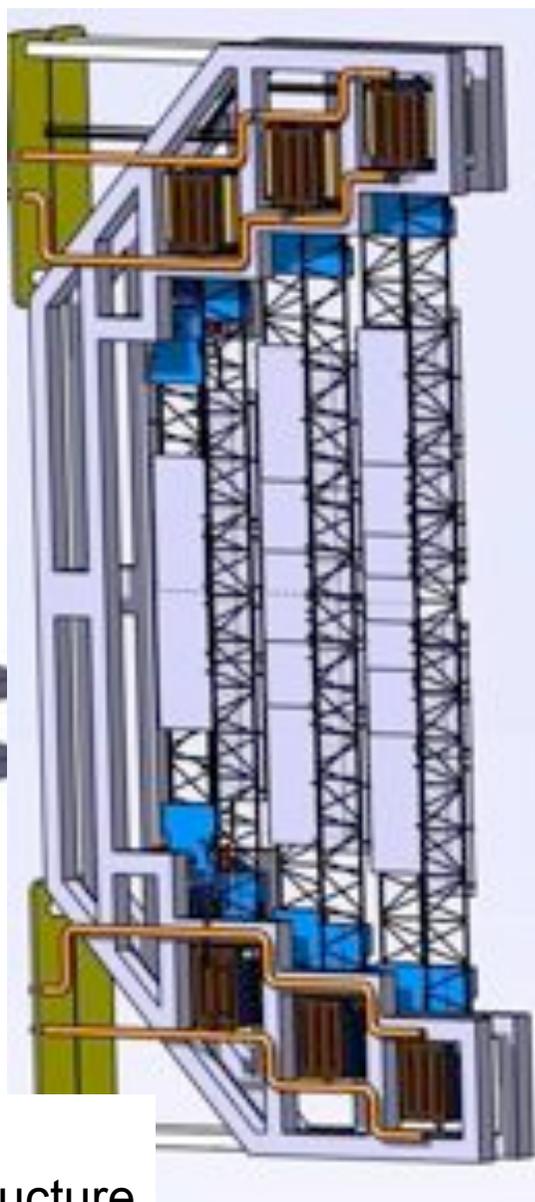
**Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors**  
in commercial CMOS process  
CBM: 5  $\mu\text{m}$  single point resolution



# Development of the Silicon Tracking System (STS)



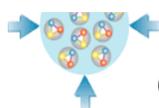
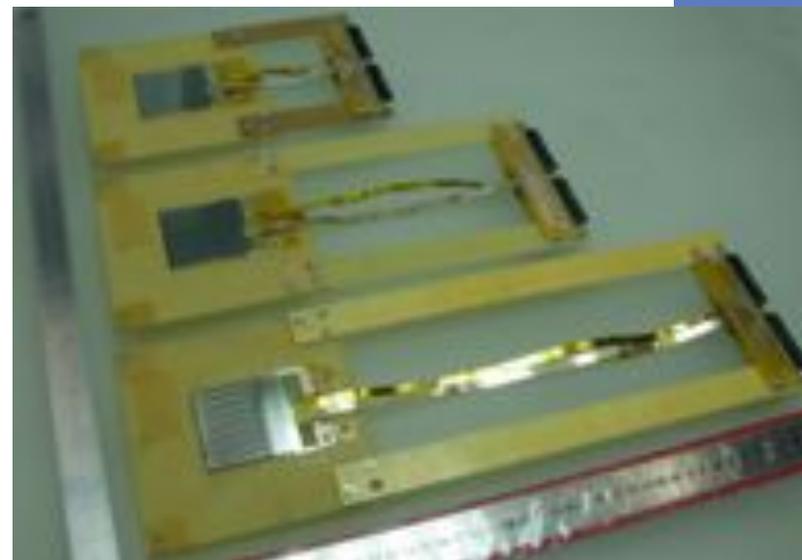
STS in thermal enclosure



Detector planes:  
ultra-light weight ladder structure

Sensor development:  
double-sided micro-strips,  
stereo angle  $15^\circ$ , pitch  $60 \mu\text{m}$   
 $300 \mu\text{m}$  thick, bonded to  
ultra-thin micro-cables,  
radiation hardness

Prototypes: full CBM  
sensor, ultrathin cables

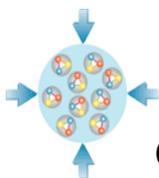
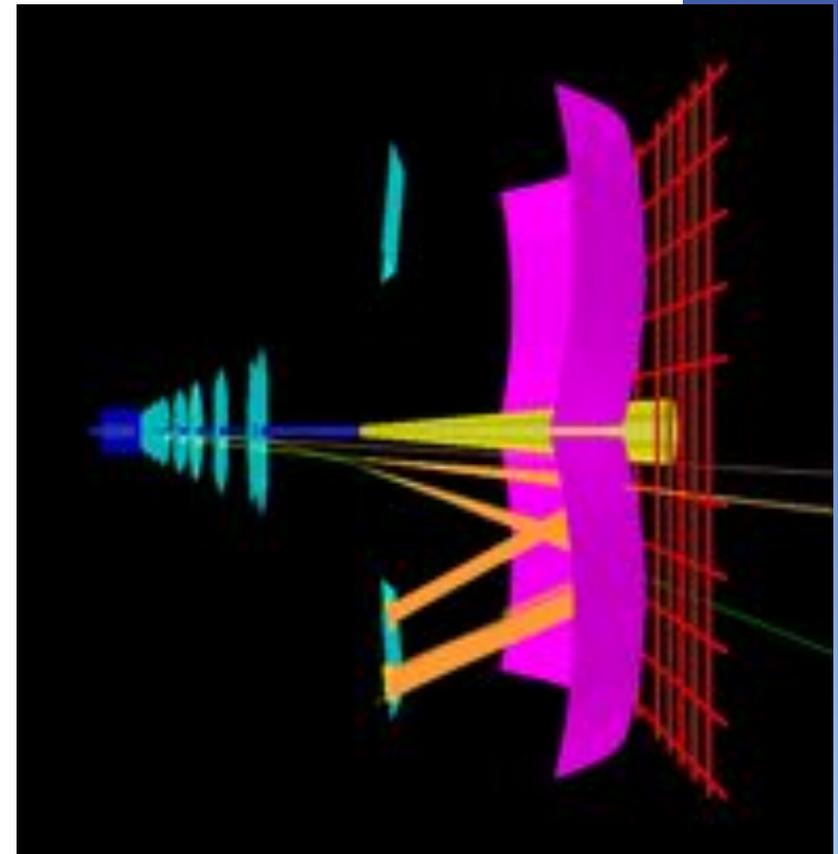
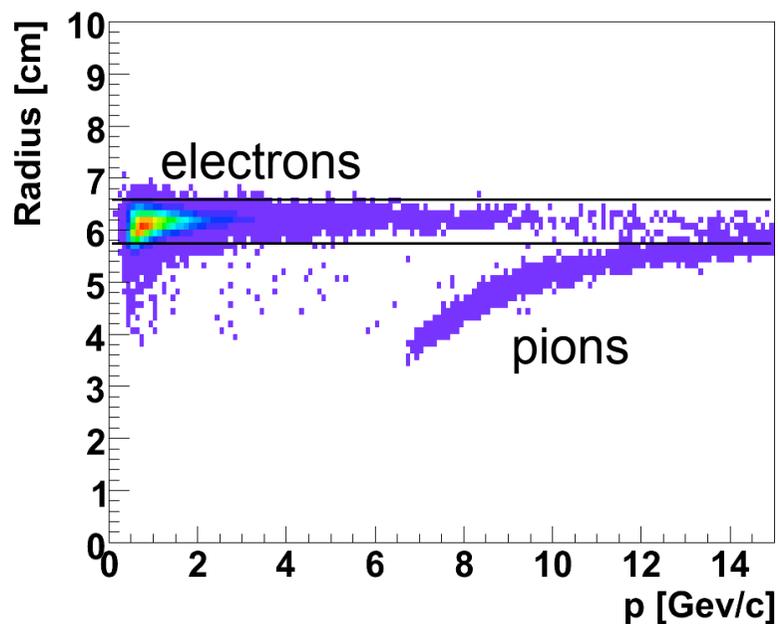


# RICH detector

**aim:** clean electron identification for momenta below 8 GeV/c,  
robust and stable detector running at high rates!

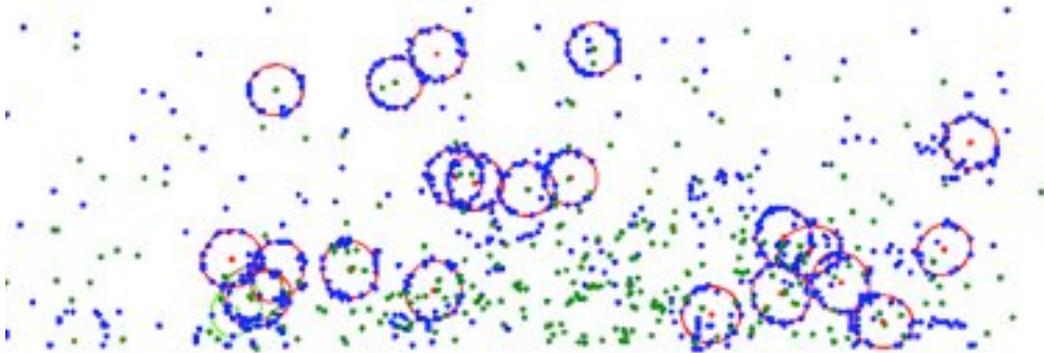
**concept:** RICH with gas radiator ( $\text{CO}_2$ ), glass mirrors coated with  $\text{Al}+\text{MgF}_2$ ,  
H8500 MAPMTs

Cherenkov threshold for pions in  
 $\text{CO}_2$   $p=4.65$  GeV/c



# RICH detector (II)

event display of part of photodetector plane  
 ~ 20 photons/ ring!



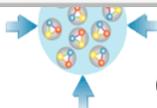
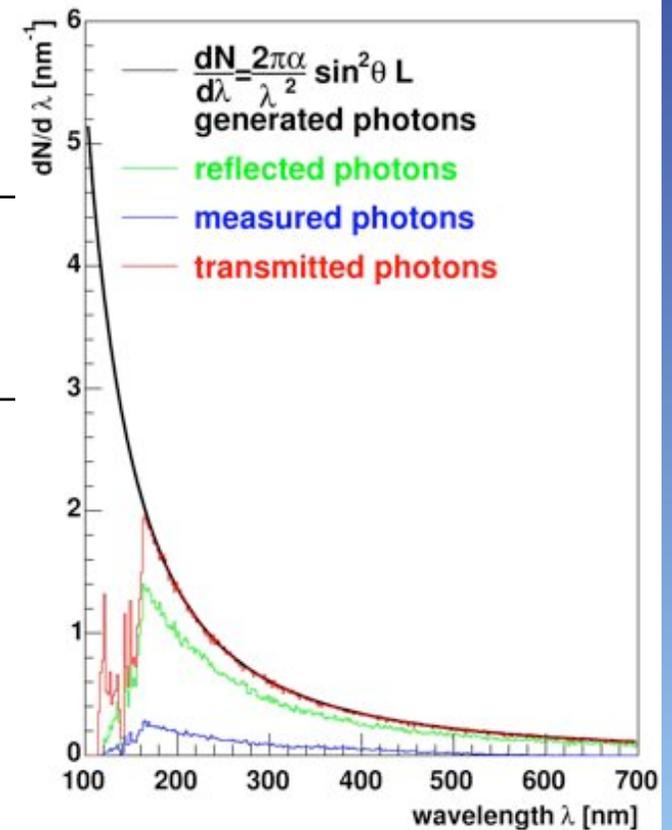
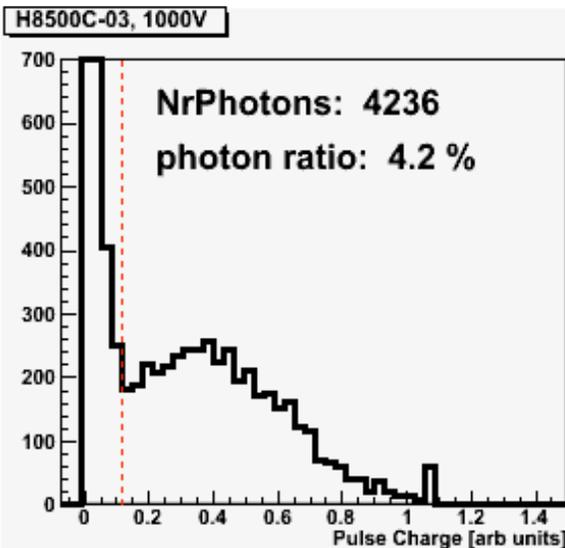
green – track projections

blue – hits

red – found rings

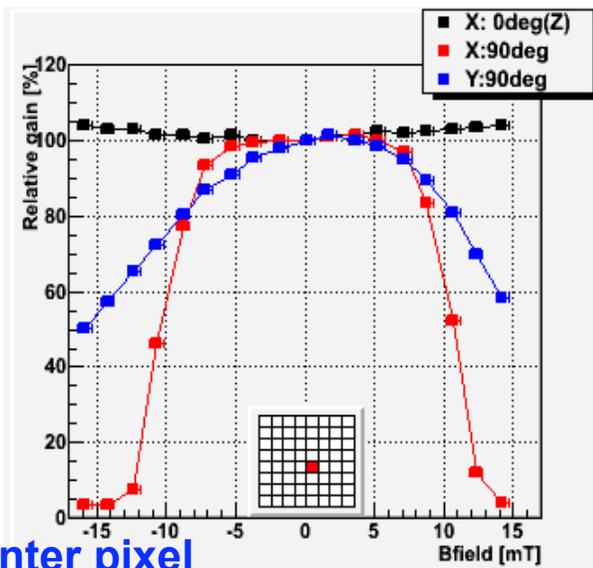
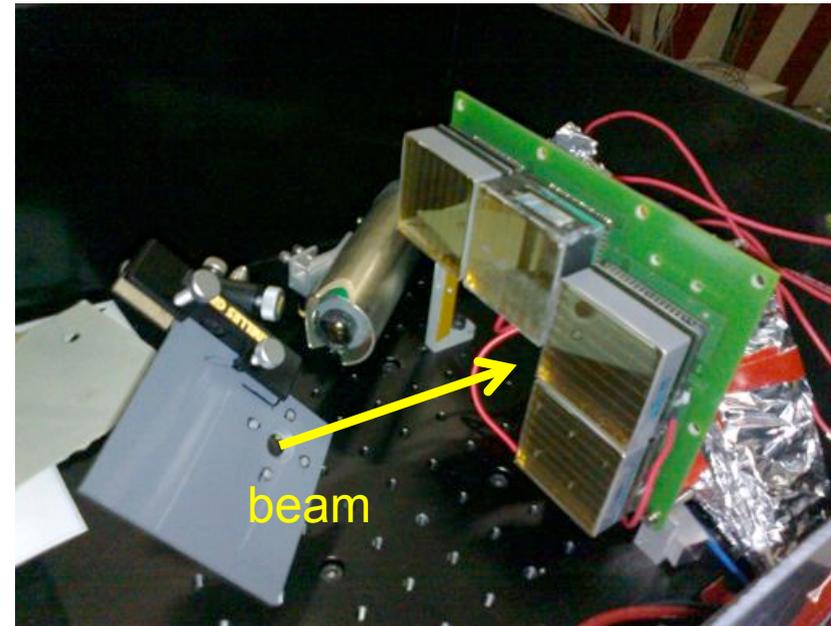
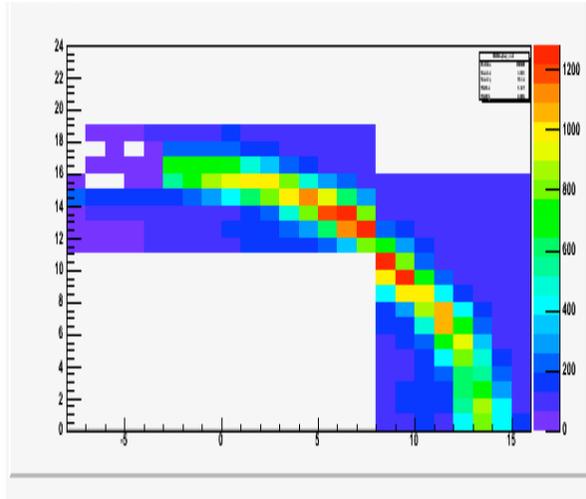
PMTs with single photon counting capability!

~ 100 rings per central Au+Au collision at 25 GeV/nucleon

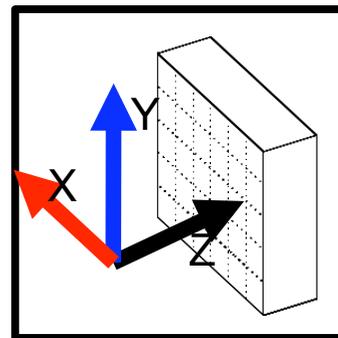


# RICH detector (III)

testbeam measurements, labtests  
of MAPMT H8500



response in  
magnetic field



# Mirrors

- glass mirrors:  $\leq 6$  mm thickness,  $R \approx 3$  m, Al+MgF<sub>2</sub> coating
- search for provider from industry with sufficient quality on surface homogeneity and reflectivity

- **FLABEG** GmbH, Germany:

$d = 6$  mm,  $r_0 = 3.2$  m  
size A = 40 x 40 cm<sup>2</sup>

Coating: Al:  $d = 70$  nm (55)  
MgF<sub>2</sub>:  $d = 90$  nm (120)

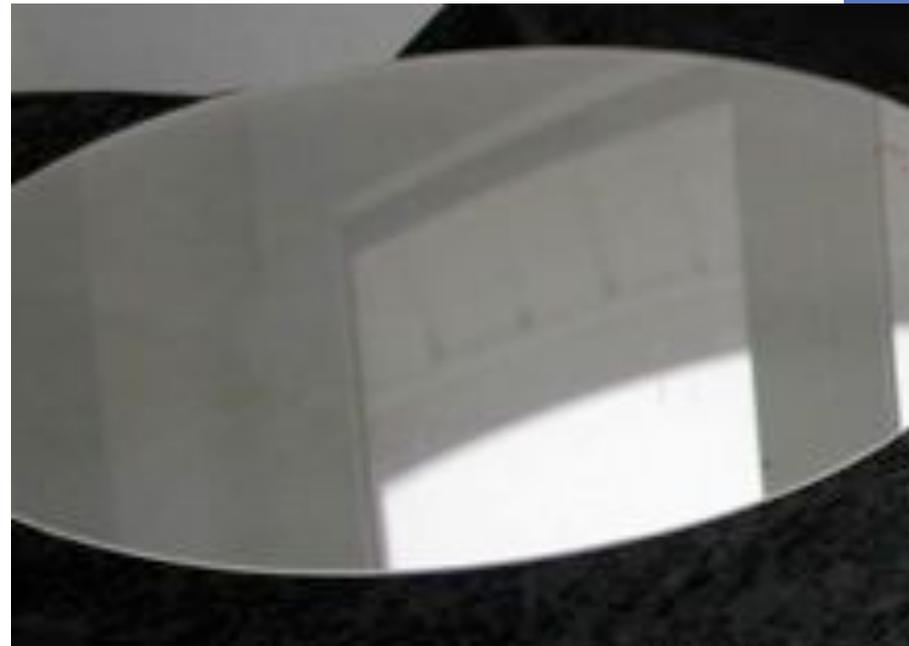
- **Compas**, Czech Republic

$d = 3$  and 6 mm,  $r_0 = 3$  m  
size R = 30 cm

Coating: Al:  $d = 80$  nm  
MgF<sub>2</sub>:  $d = 30$  nm

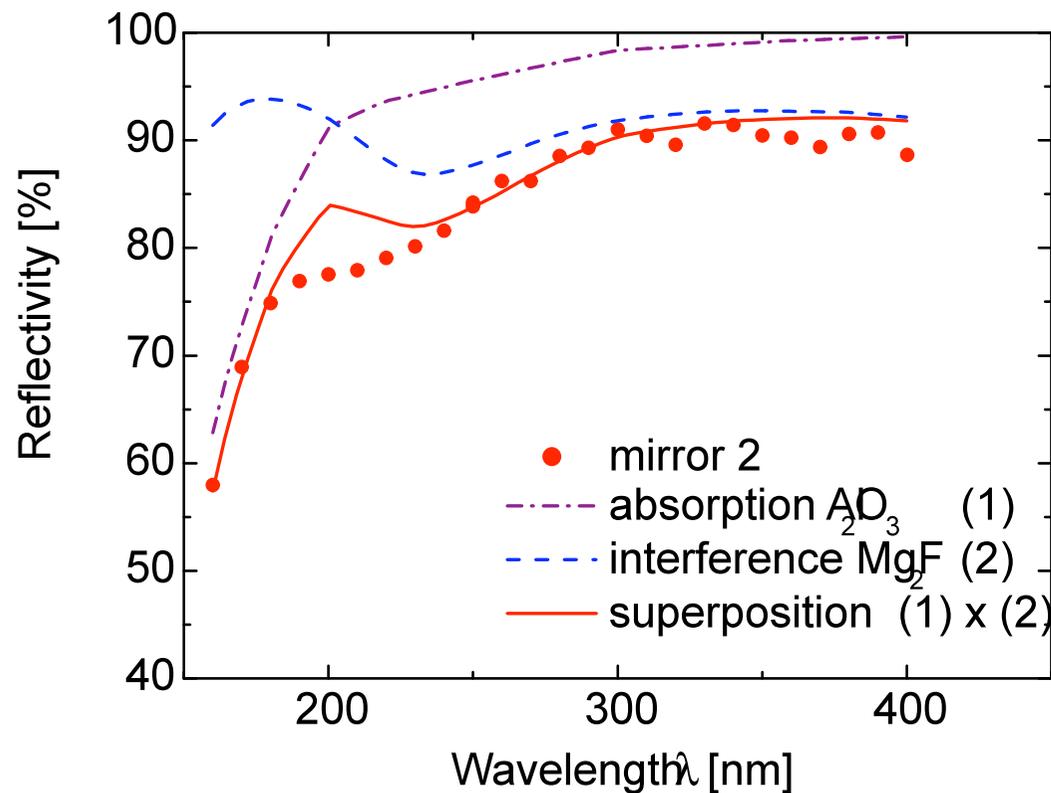


photography



# Reflectivity measurements

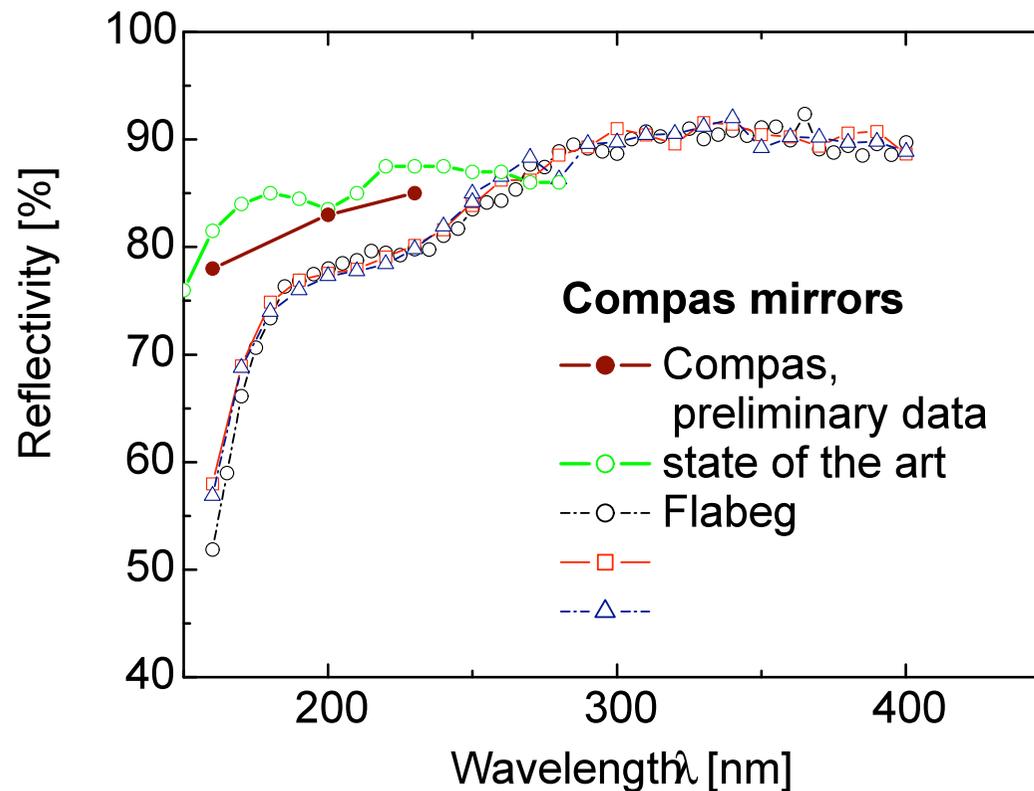
- **FLABEG**: very good reflectivity between 400 nm and 270 nm  
first drop around 250 nm: influence of aluminum oxide  
second drop at about 180 nm: interference at  $\text{MgF}_2$  layer



Measurements done in cooperation with CERN, A. Braem and C. Joram

# Reflectivity measurements

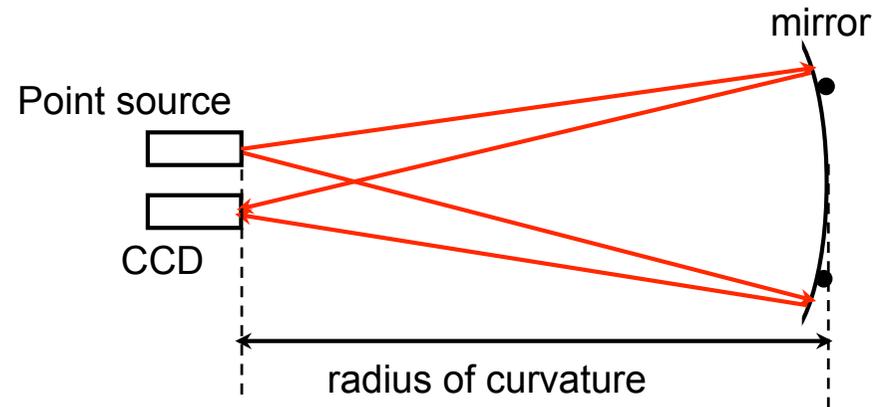
- **FLABEG**: very good reflectivity between 400 nm and 270 nm  
first drop around 250 nm: influence of aluminum oxide  
second drop at about 180 nm: interference at MgF<sub>2</sub> layer
- **Compas**: good reflectivity in the UV, full range to be measured



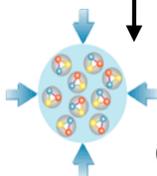
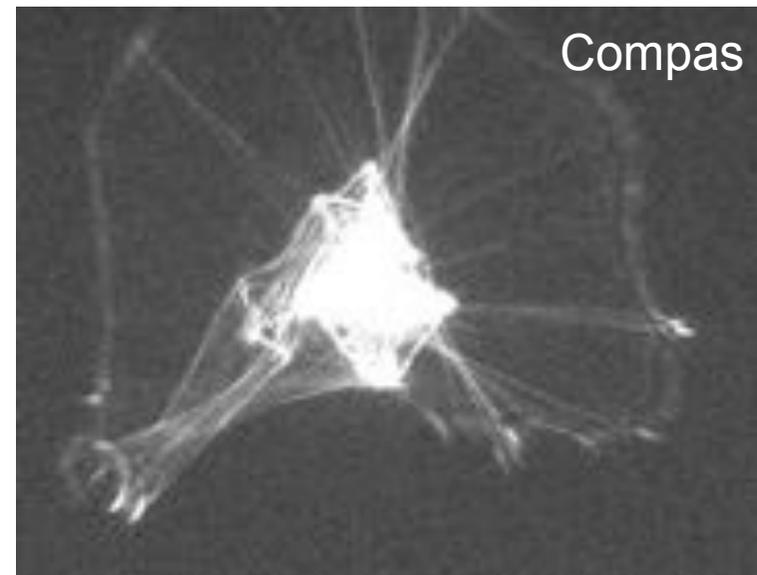
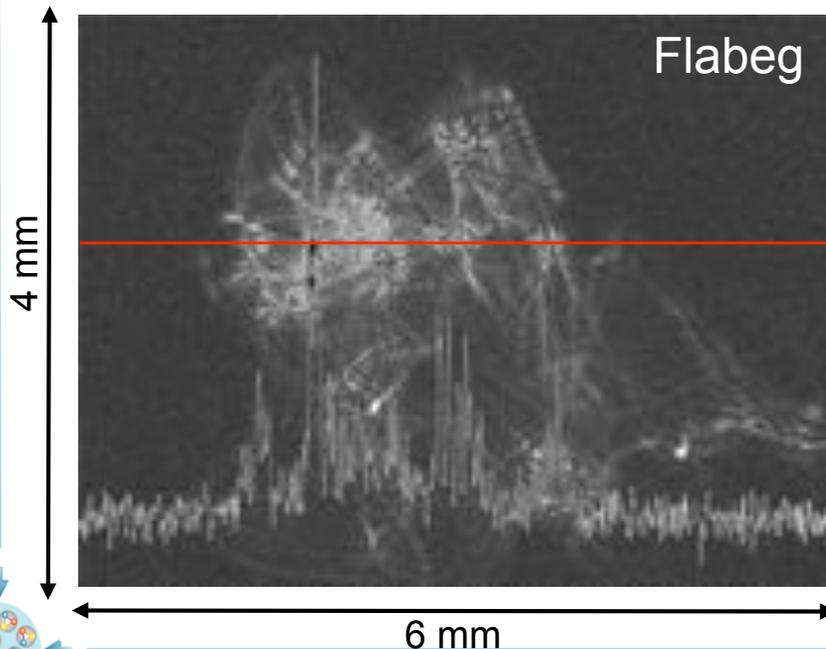
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# Radius of curvature and surface homogeneity

- **FLABEG**: very broad feature, most of the intensity in the background; pronounced irregularities on the cm-scale
- **Compas**:  $D_0 \cong 2.3 \text{ mm}$  (95 % intensity)



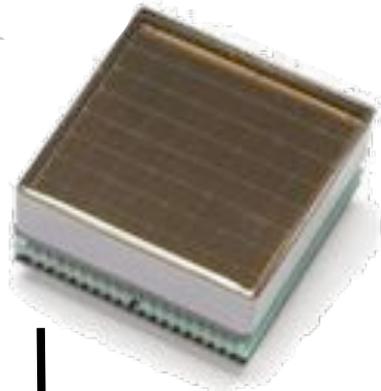
at CERN – Carmelo D'Ambrosio



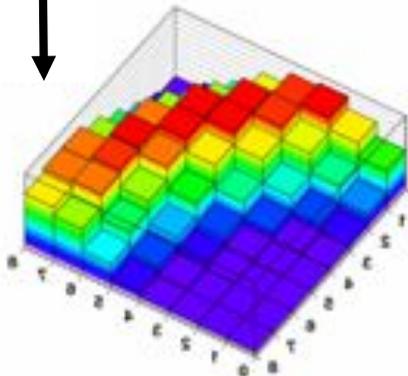
# RICH – TRD – TOF development

- RICH and TRD detectors for electron identification
- large size time-of-flight detector (RPCs) for hadron identification

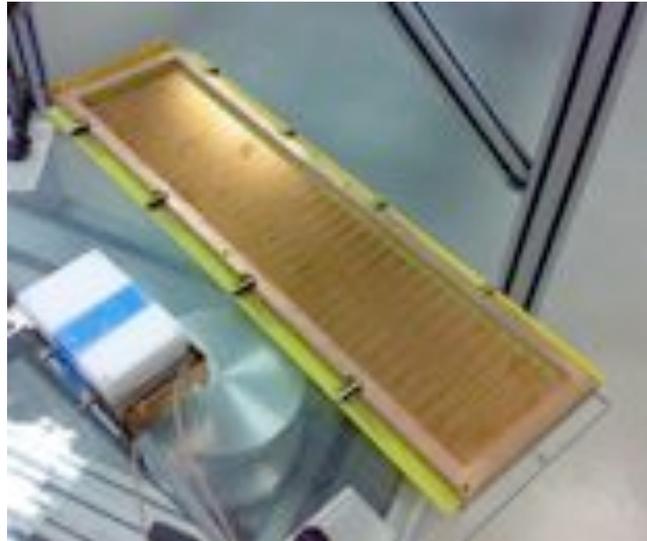
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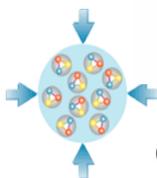
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double-sided TRD prototypes

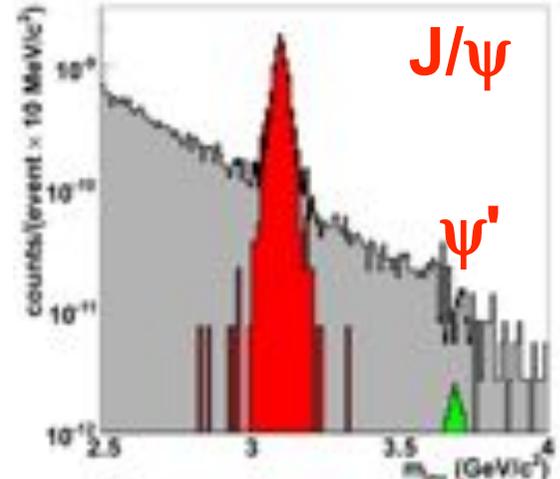
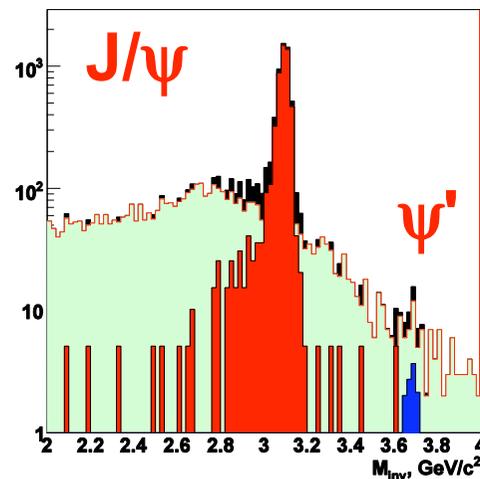
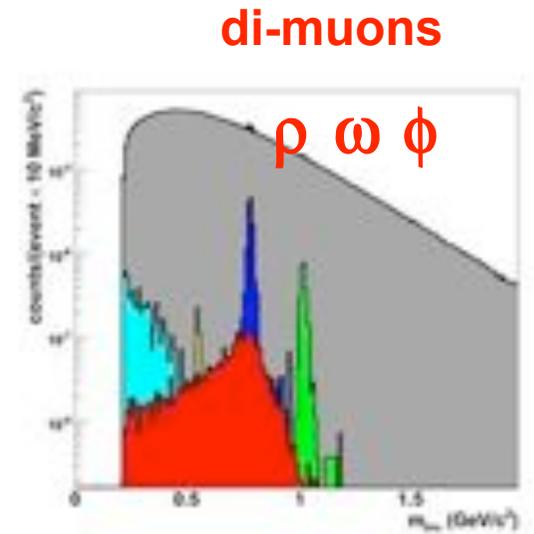
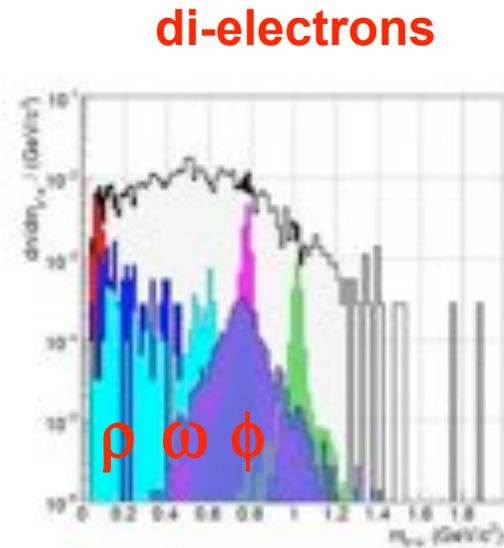
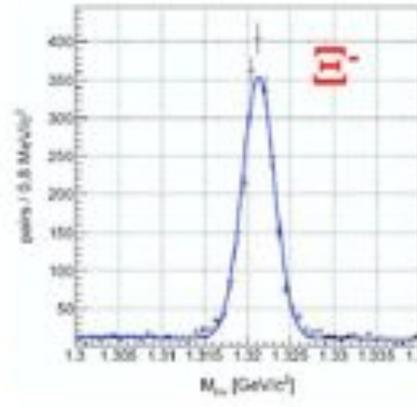
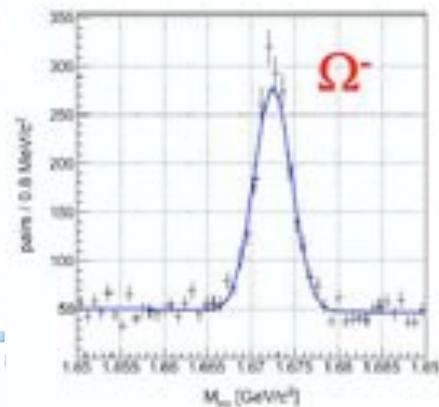
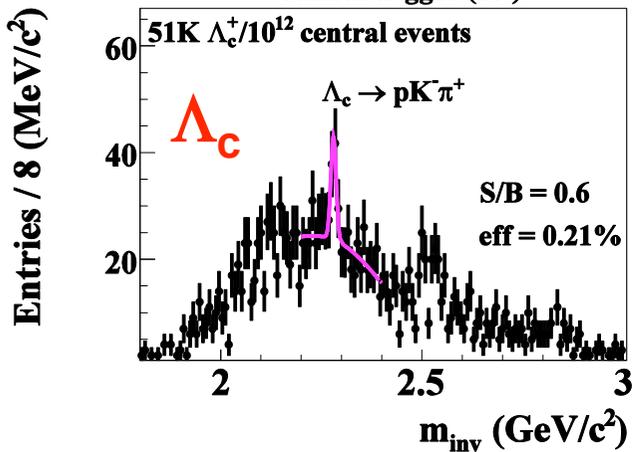
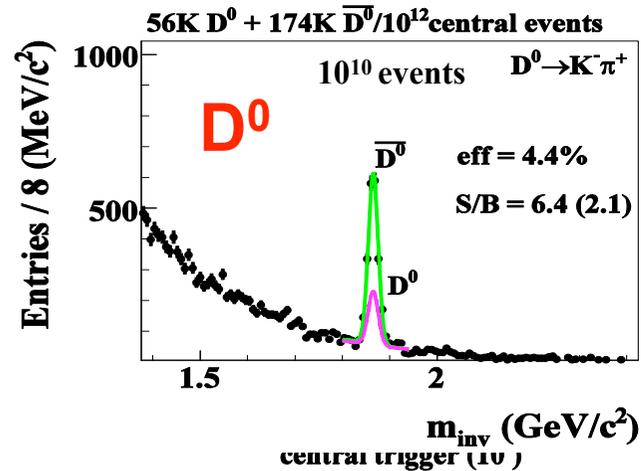


fast readout electronics



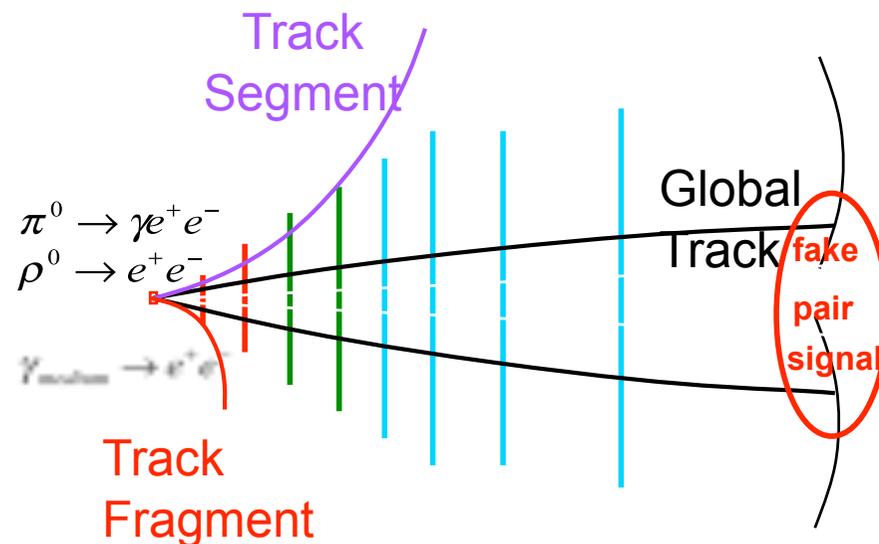
# CBM feasibility studies

- feasibility studies performed for all major channels including event reconstruction and semirealistic detector setup

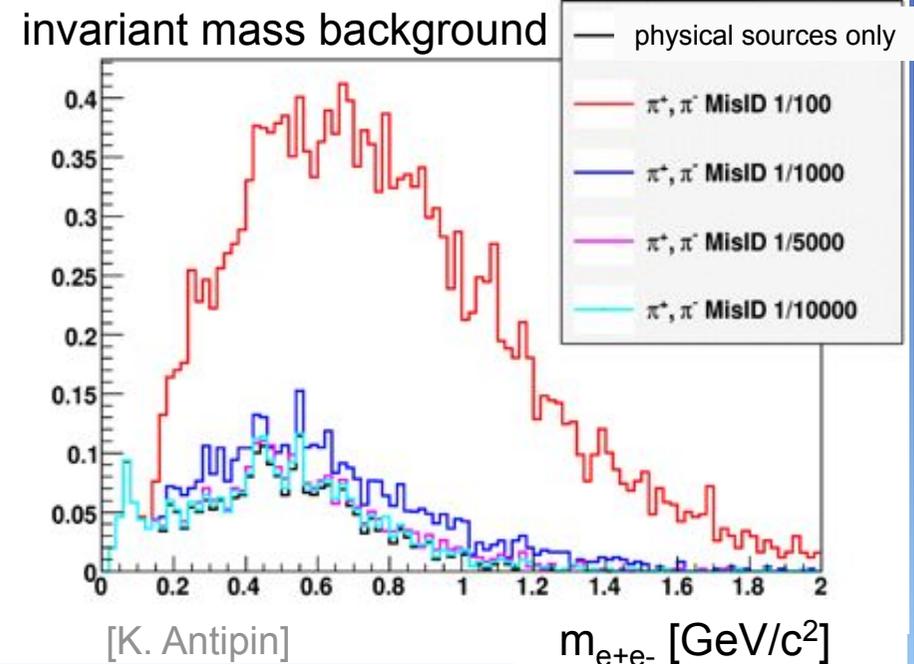


# Challenge of di-electron measurement

- **clean electron identification** ( $\pi$  suppression  $\geq 10^4$ )
- no e-ID in front of B-field and material budget of STS
- **large background from physical sources (low-mass vector mesons!)**
  - $\gamma$ -conversions in target and STS,  $\pi^0$  Dalitz decays
  - use reduced B-field (70%), use 1‰ interaction target
  - use excellent tracking and two hit resolution ( $\leq 100 \mu\text{m}$ ) in first pixel detectors in order to reject this background

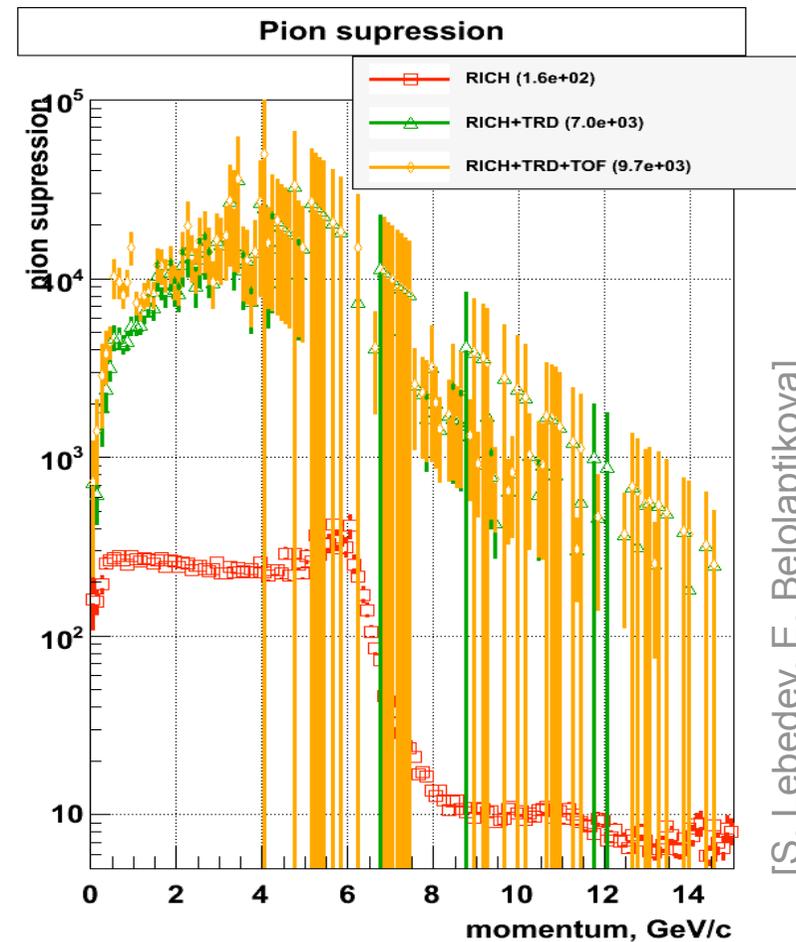
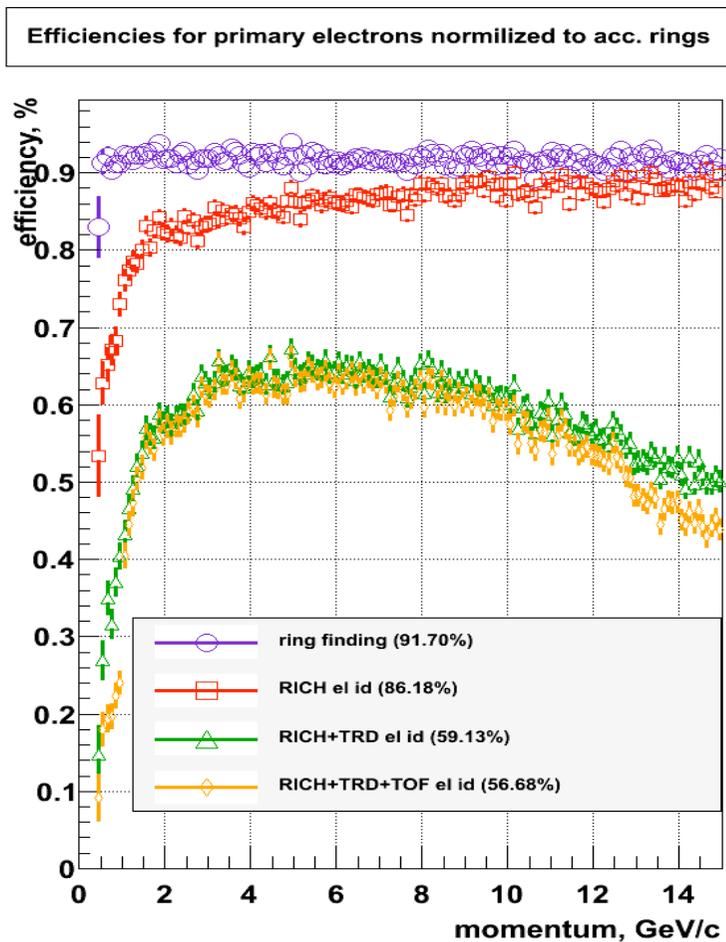


[T. Galatyuk]



# Electron identification

- electron identification studies,  $N_{\text{hit}}/\text{ring} \sim 22$  (H8500, UV extended window)
- background: central UrQMD events, 25 GeV Au+Au collisions
- $10^4$   $\pi$  suppression with RICH + TRD for  $\sim 60\%$  electron efficiency



[S. Lebedev, E. Belolaptikova]

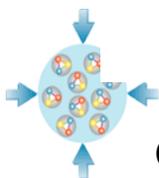
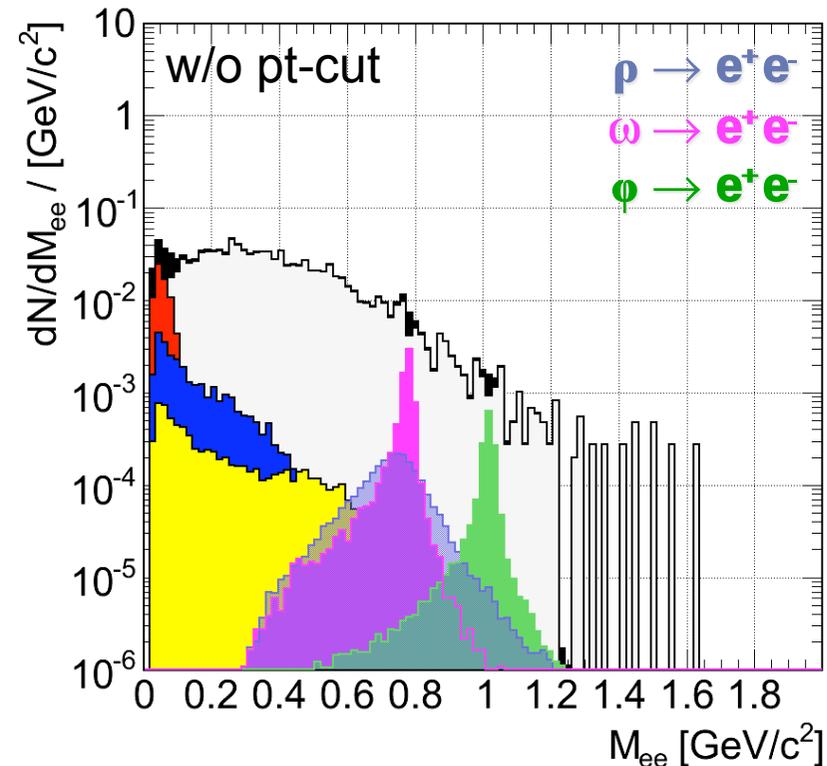
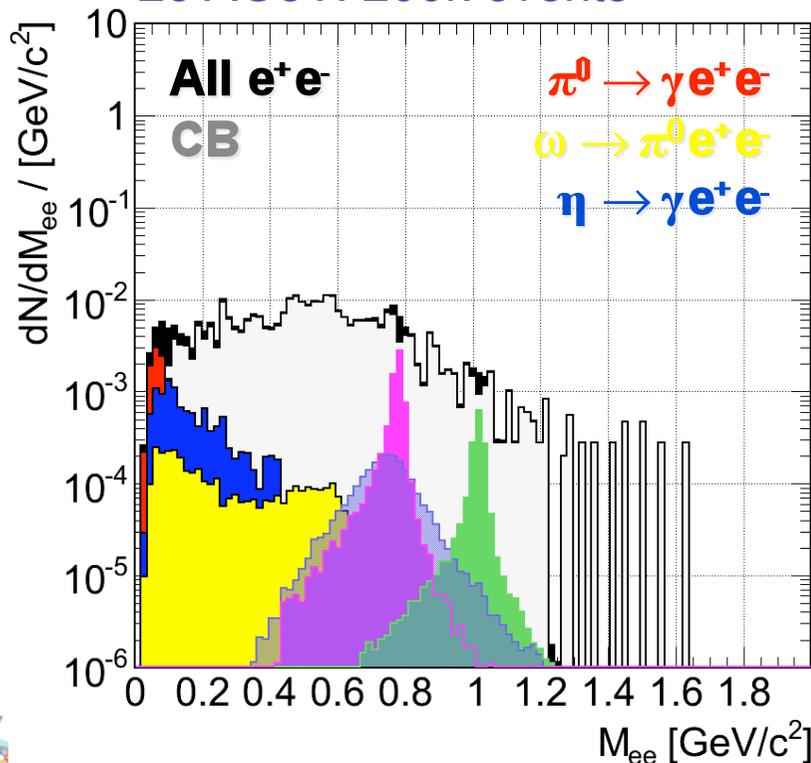
# Low mass vector mesons

[T. Galatyuk]

invariant mass spectra in central Au+Au collisions at

- 25 AGeV (SIS 300):  $p_t > 0.2$  GeV/c  
background dominated by physical sources (80%),  
1‰ int. target, 70% B-field

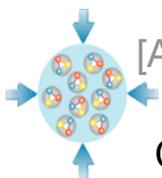
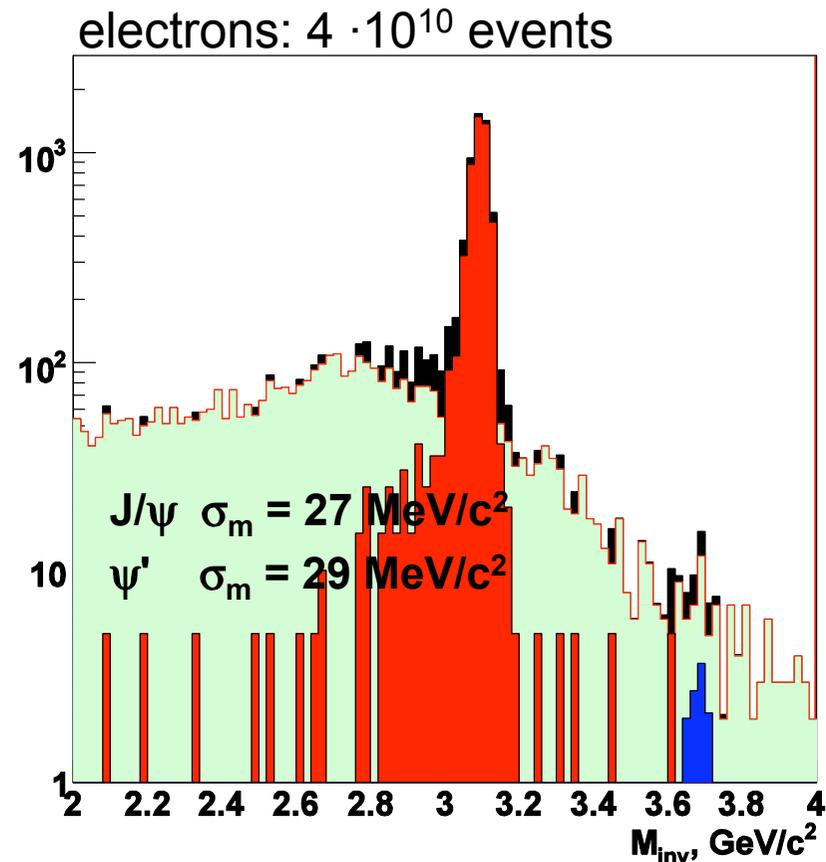
25 AGeV: 200k events



# J/ $\psi$ and $\psi'$

25 AGeV  
central AuAu

- electrons:  $p < 13$  GeV/c,  $p_t > 1.2$  GeV, 1‰ interaction target (25  $\mu\text{m}$  Au, need segmented target for sufficient event rate)
- S/B ratio  $\sim 2.4$  for 250  $\mu\text{m}$  Au target
- trigger: TRD standalone trigger feasible? full STS + TRD tracking needed?



[A. Maevskaya]

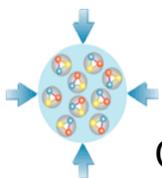
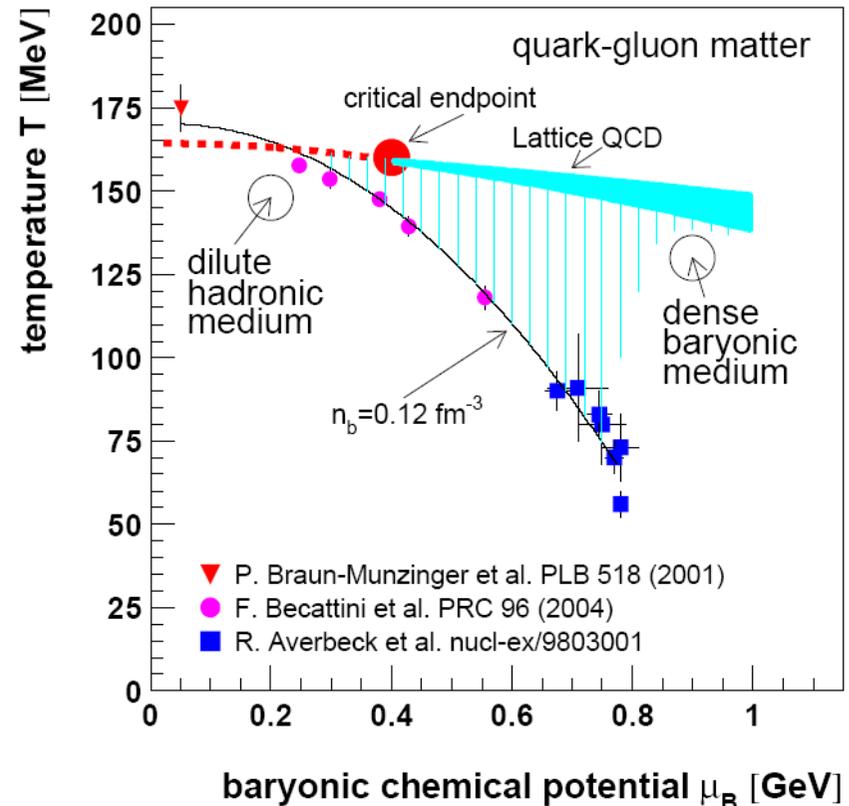
# Summary

## Experimental knowledge of the QCD phase diagram at high $\mu_B$ :

- evidence for onset of deconfinement
- medium properties? – medium influences seen: more data, statistics missing → characterization of medium needed!
- evidence for critical point? – not conclusive

## CBM@FAIR – high $\mu_B$ , moderate T:

- exploration of QCD phase diagram at high baryon densities at SIS 100 and SIS 300 (2-45 AGeV beam energy)
- together with HADES unique possibility of characterizing properties of baryon dense matter



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