



Exploring compressed nuclear matter with HADES

Hirschegg, January 15-21, 2012

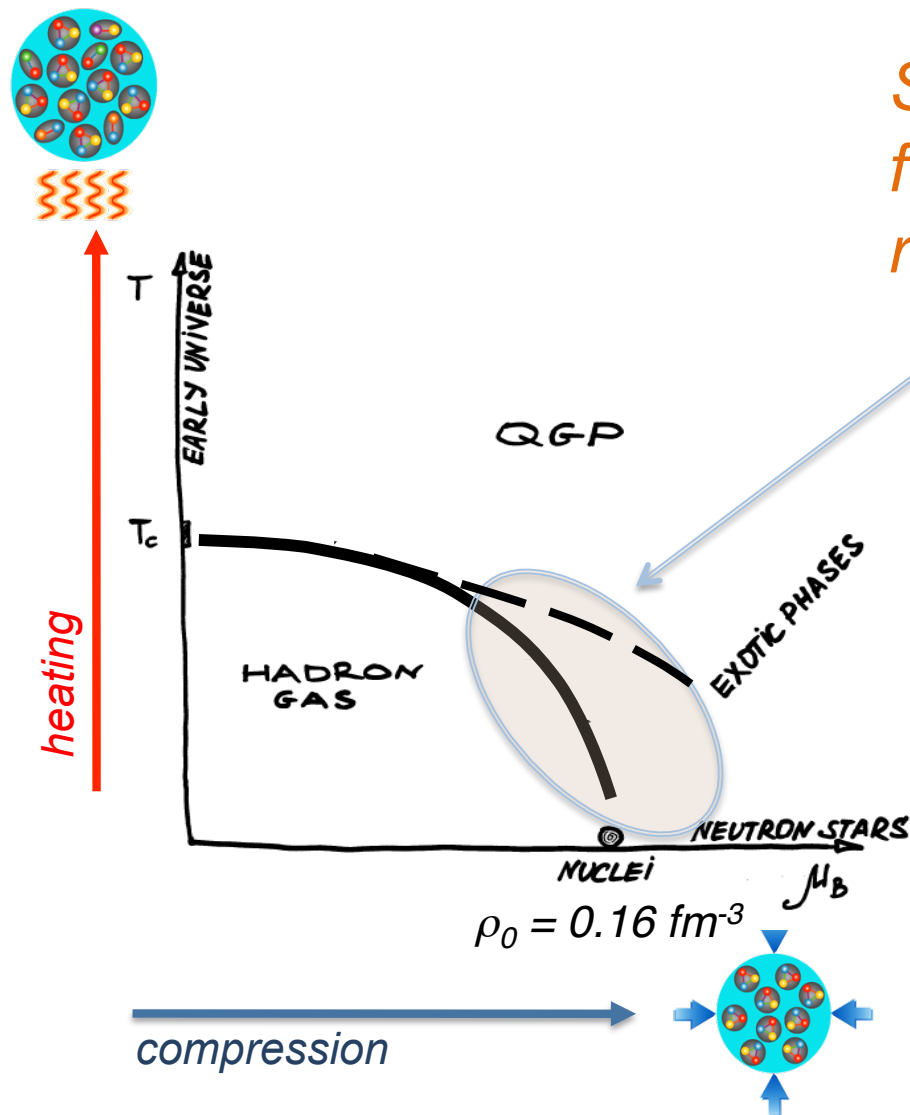
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High Acceptance DiElectron Spectrometer



The HADES mission

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*Search (in this region)
for new states of matter with
rare and penetrating probes*

- Stage I (2002 - 2008)
 - Light collision systems → limited granularity of time-of-flight system
- Stage II (2012 - 2015)
 - Heavy collision systems
 - π -induced reactions
- Stage III (2018 - ...)
 - Lepton pair excitation function up to 8 GeV/u (medium-heavy systems) and (multi-)strange particle

+ *Various aspects
of baryon-resonances physics*

Outline

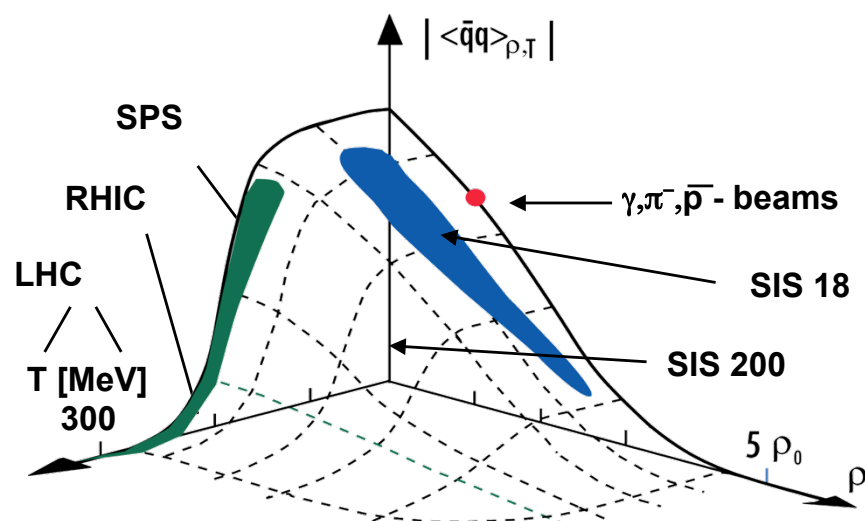
- Introduction
- Reference measurements (p+p, n+p, C+C)
- Ar+KCl collisions at 1.67 GeV/u
 - Dileptons
 - Strangeness
- Perspectives and challenges at SIS18 and SIS100
- Summary

Motivation

„I wonder if it finally will turn into a bluff...“

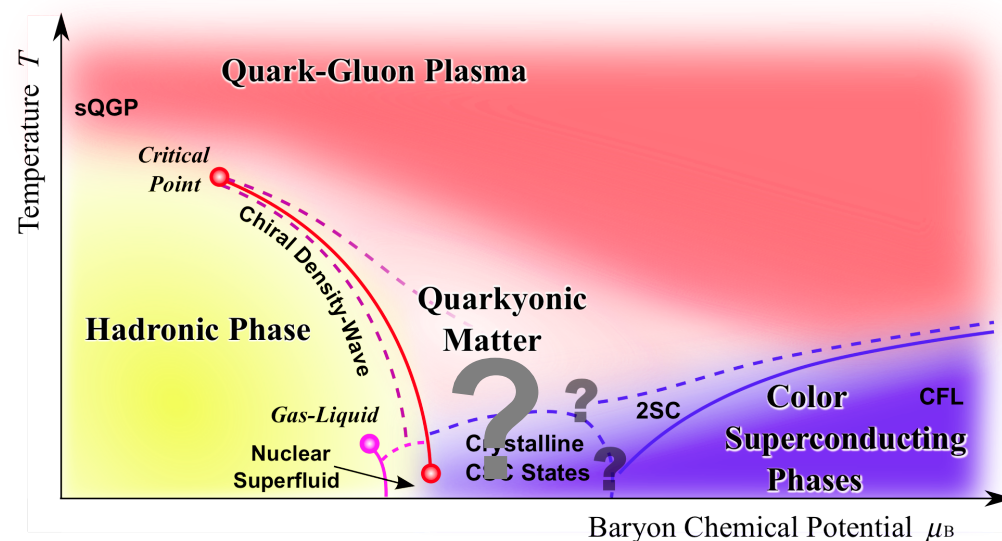
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Partial restoration of chiral symmetry



Y. Nambu 1960,
R.D. Pisarski 1982,
W. Weise 1992,
...

Exotic phases



L. McLerran, R.D. Pisarski 2007,

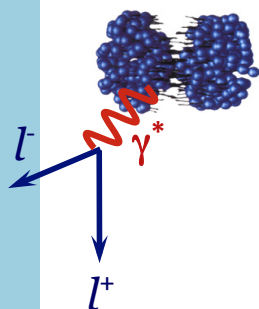
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→ *Experimental test*

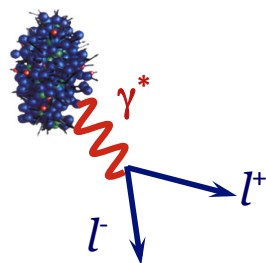
Searching for landmarks of the phase diagram of matter

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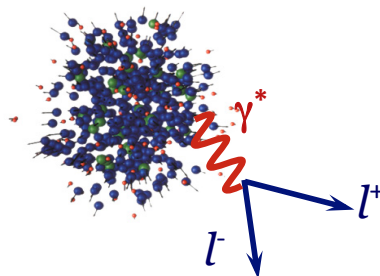
$\pi, \eta, K, \phi, \Lambda, \Xi, \Omega, \dots$



first-chance
collisions



dense matter
 $\tau < 10$ fm



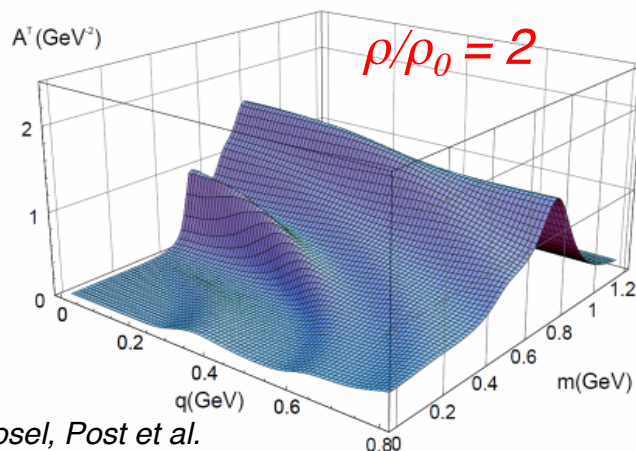
freeze-out

Bulk observables:

- Equation of state
- Collective flow patterns of the most abundant particles (π, K, p)
- Hadron-chemistry

“Microscopic” probes:

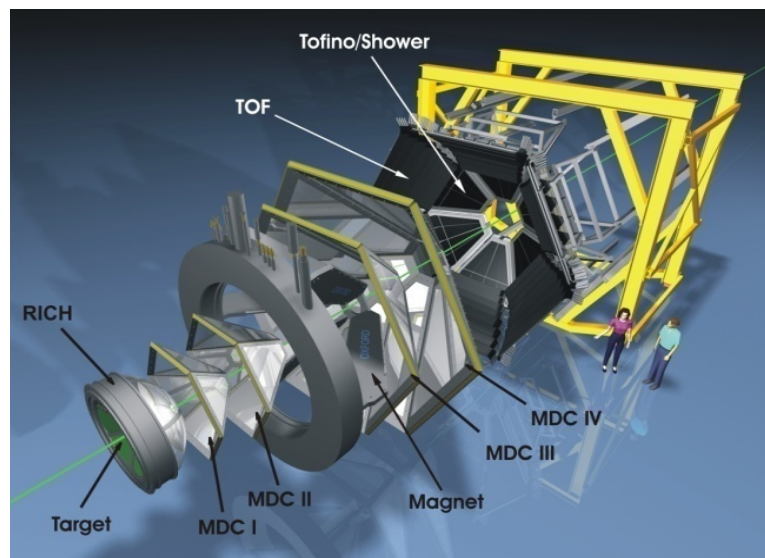
- Vector current coupling to photons (and dileptons)
 - Emissivity of hadronic matter
 - In-medium spectral functions



S. Leupold, U. Mosel, Post et al.
NPA 741 (2004) 81, NPA 780 (2006) 187

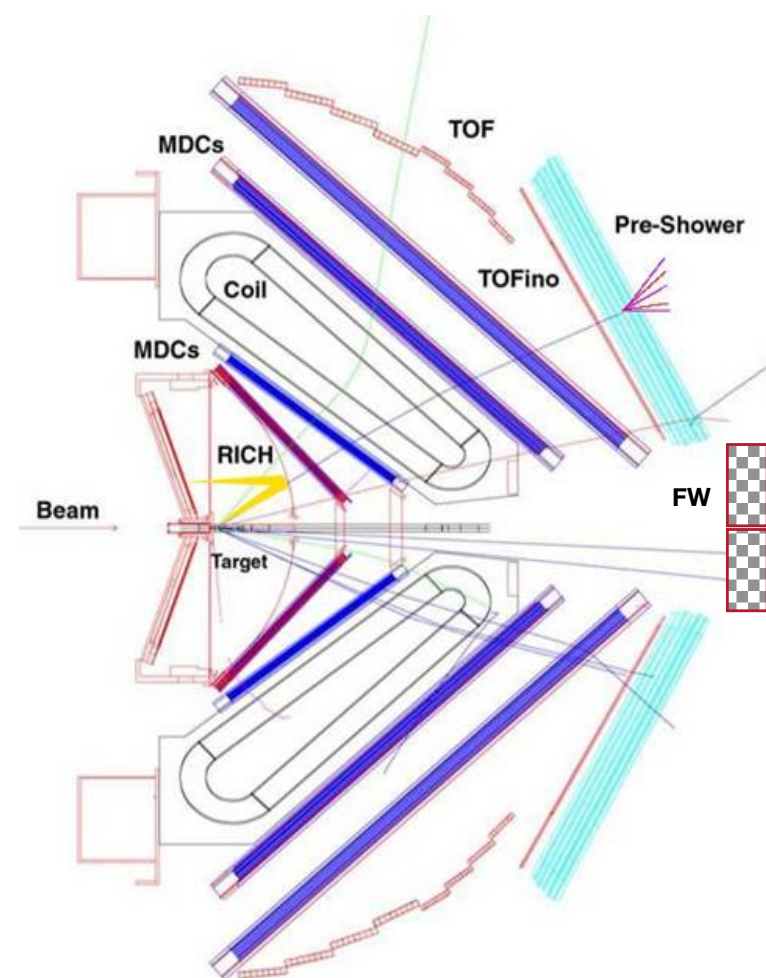
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HADES strategy:

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

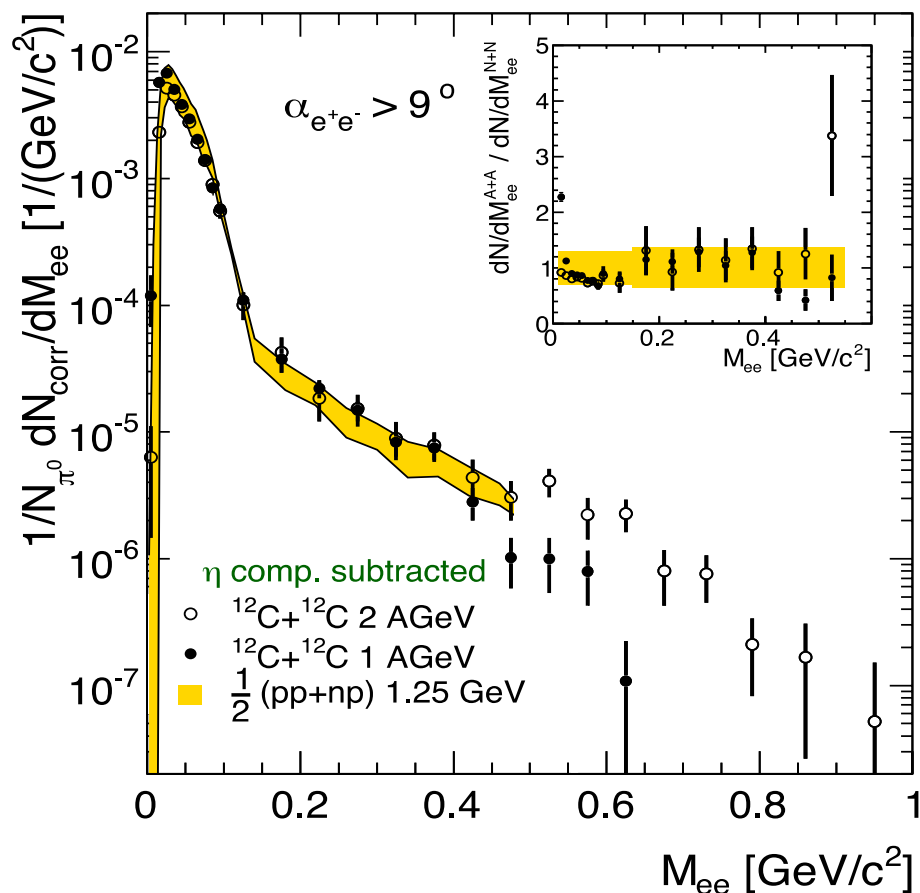


- Beams provided by SIS18: π , ρ , nuclei
- Full azimuthal coverage
- Hadron and lepton identification
- e^+e^- pair acceptance 0.35
- **Mass resolution 2 % (ρ/ω region)**
- ~ 80.000 channels
- now: **50 kHz event rate (400 Mbyte/s peak data rate)**

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

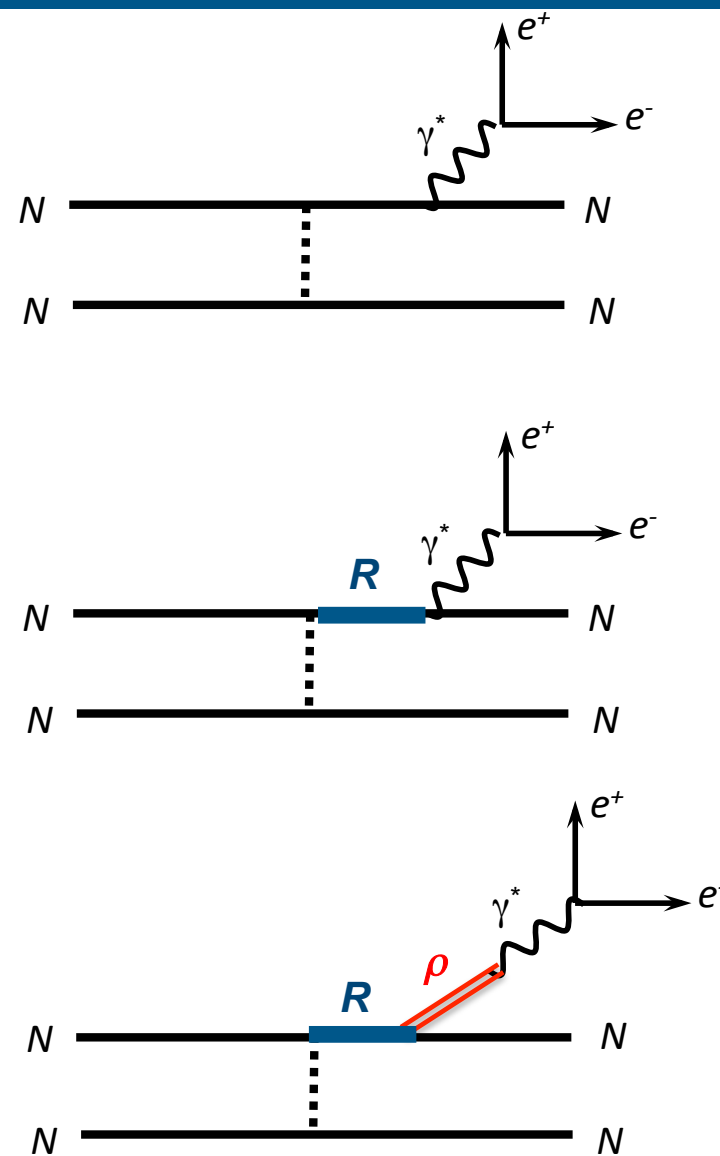
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Baryonic contributions from NN "reference"



Dilepton "excess" scales with beam energy like π production

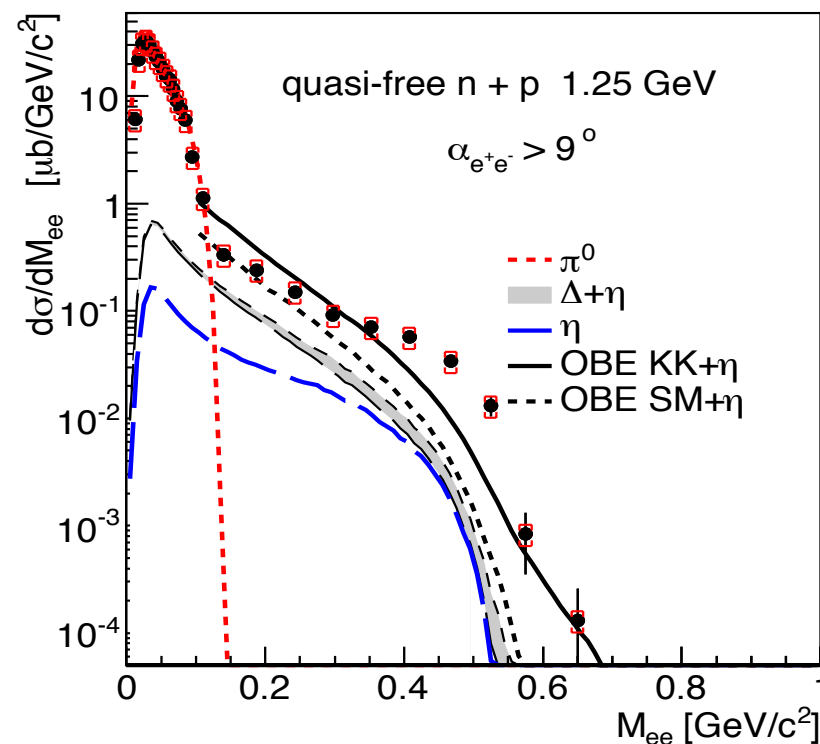
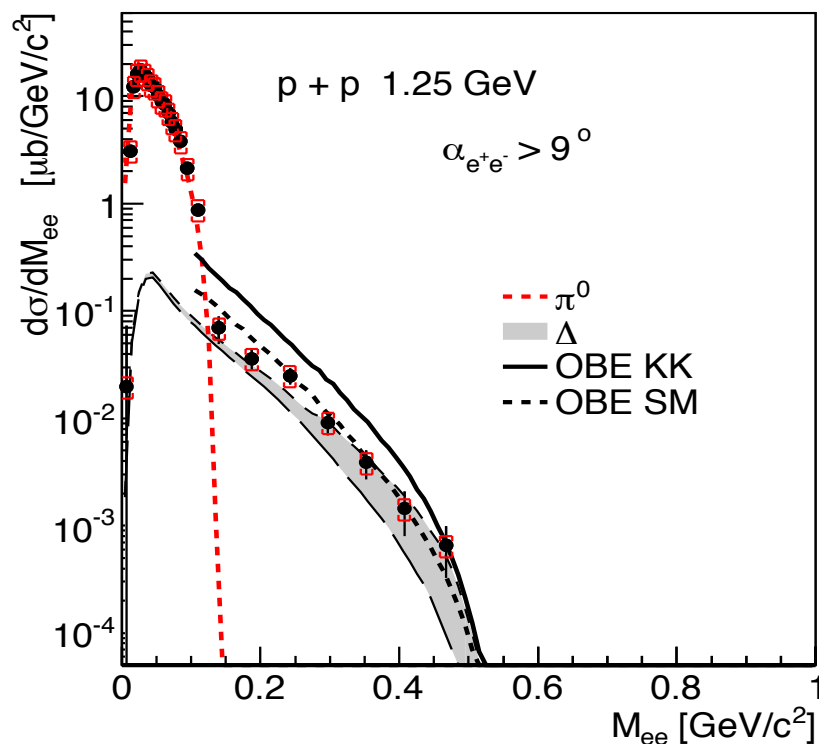
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$R = \Delta, N^*$

HADES pp and dp (tagged n) data vs. models

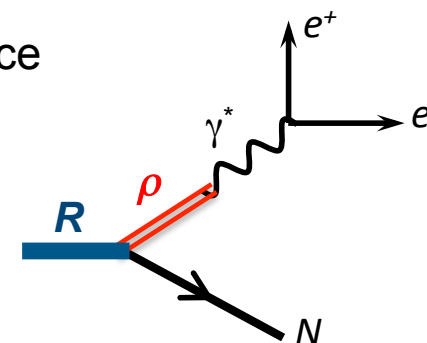
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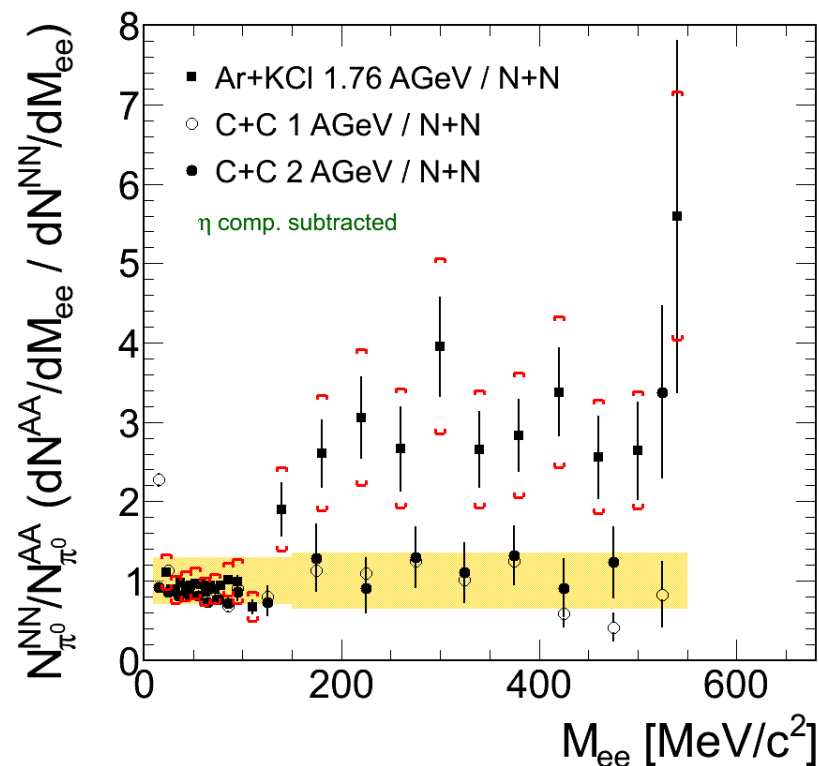
Model: Pluto - ROOT based event generator

- $n+p$ case: Different schemes for implementing gauge invariance
- OBE effective models reproduce $p+p$, but not (yet) $n+p$
- Coupling of the γ^* to Δ via intermediate ρ might play a role



Virtual photon emission in A+A collisions

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

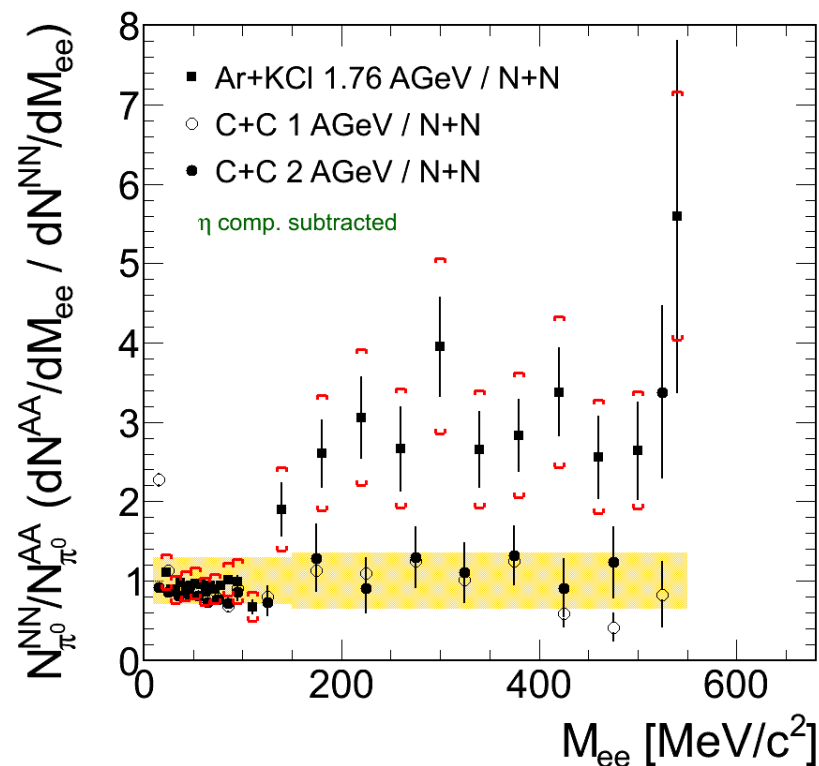
- Isolation of excess by a comparison with a **measured** “reference” spectrum
- **First evidence for radiation from the “medium”!**
- Excess yield scales with system size like $A_{\text{part}}^{1.4}$
 - multi-step processes or multi-particle correlation

Quest for heavier systems!

Centrality dependence of spectral shape

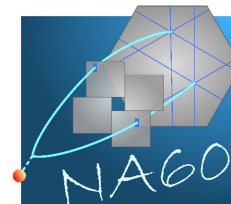
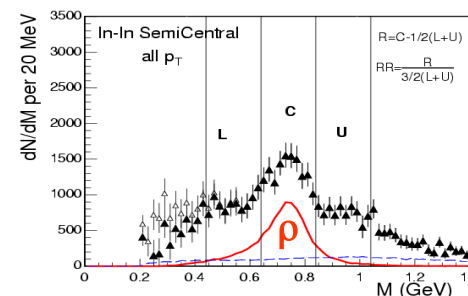
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HADES “ Δ clock”

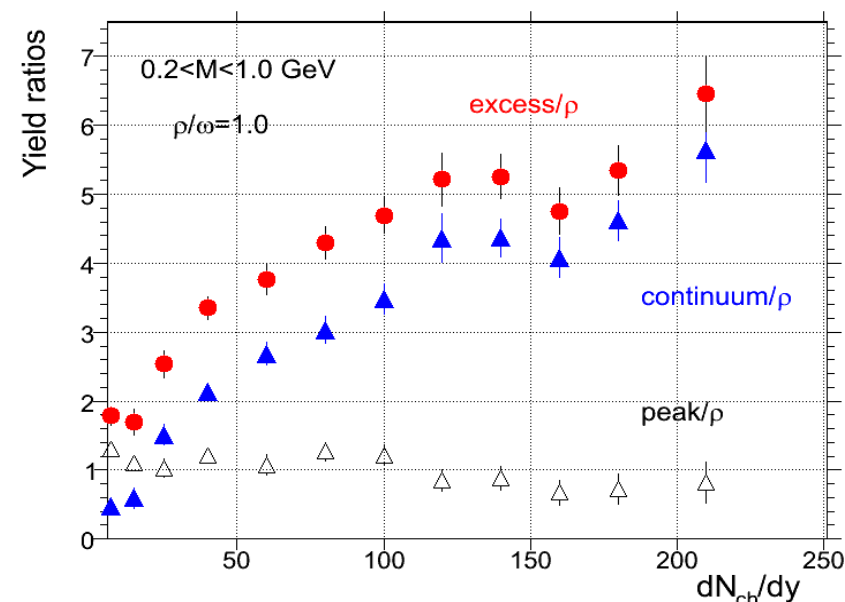


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- 34% most central collisions ($A_{\text{part}}=38$)
- Δ regeneration



NA60's “ ρ clock”



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

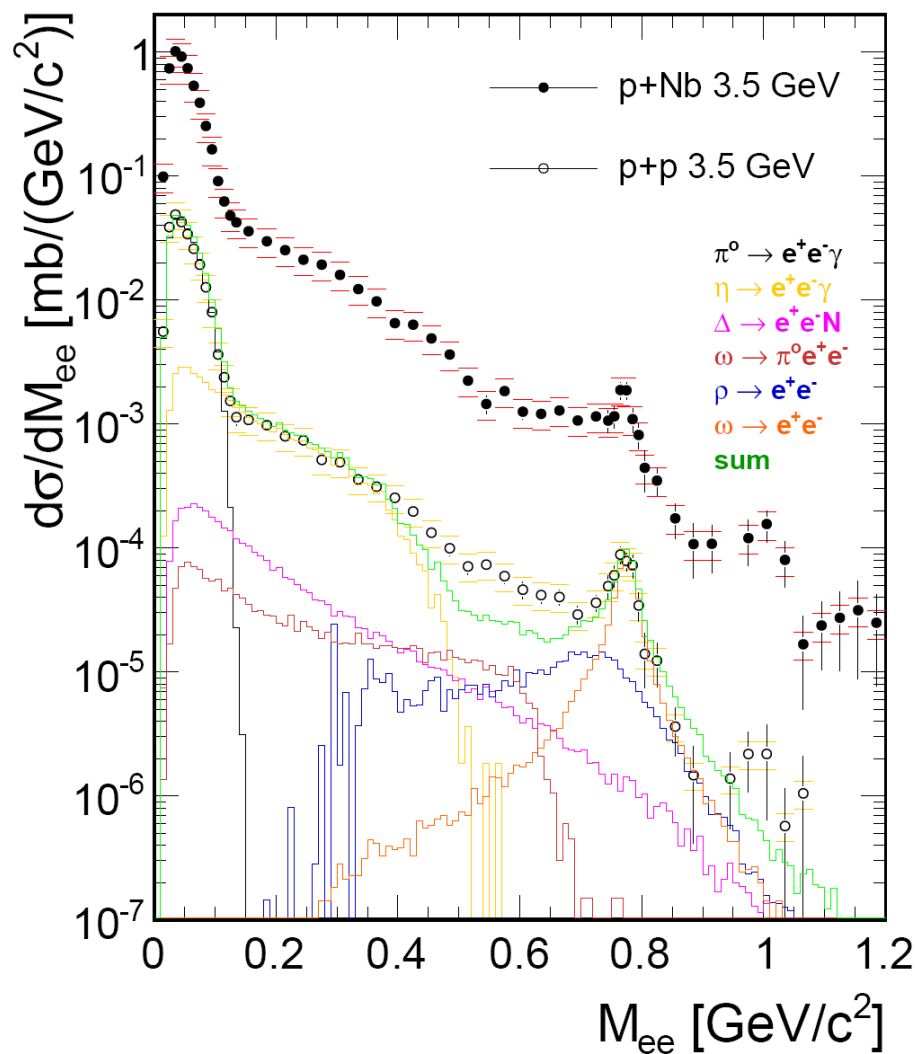
Na60 data: *EPJC 61 (2009) 711*

Electron pairs from cold nuclear matter

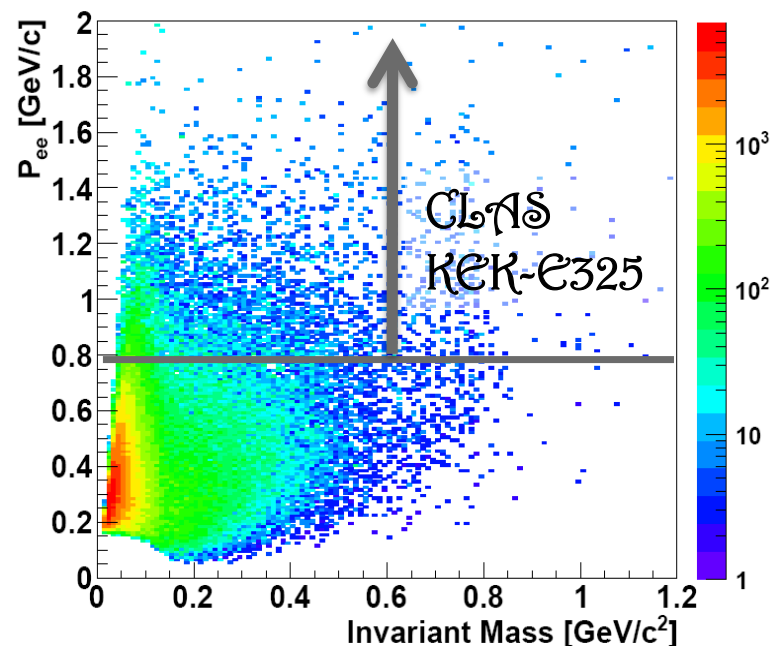
"if you are out to describe the truth, leave elegance to the tailor" (A. Einstein)

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cocktail: pYTHIA +Pluto



- First measurement of lepton pairs with $p_{e^+e^-} < 0.8 \text{ GeV}/c$ radiated from cold matter
 → not measured by CLAS, KEK-E325
- Mass resolution: $\sigma_\omega = 16 \text{ MeV}/c^2$



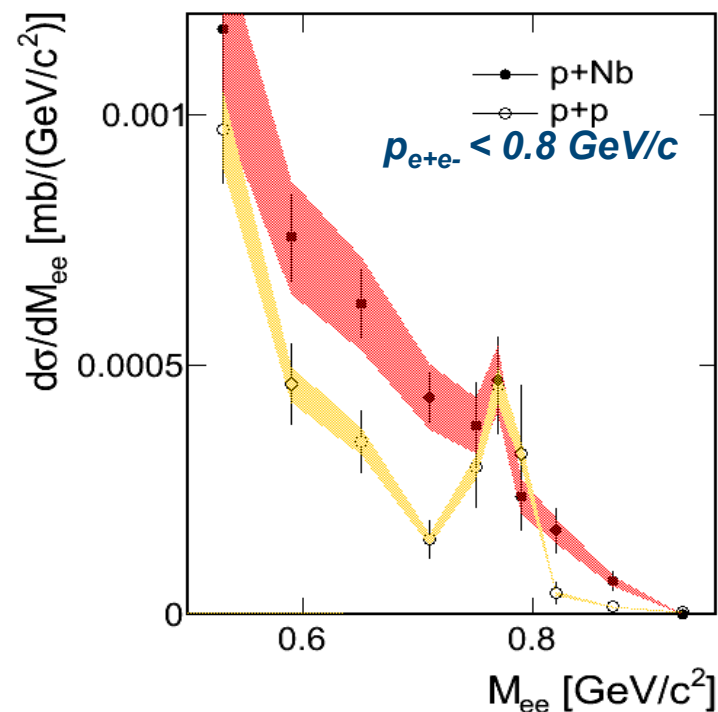
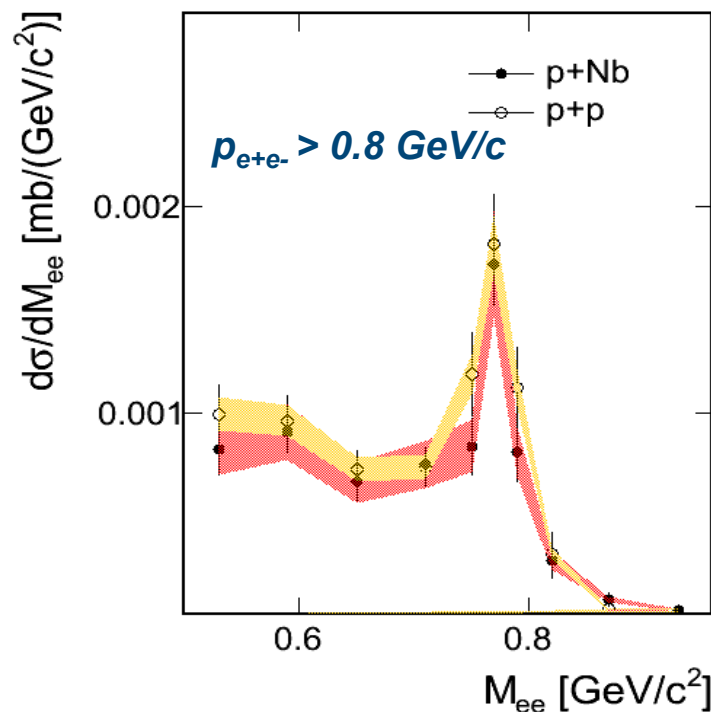
HADES p+p data: [arXiv:1112.3607 \[nucl-ex\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1112.3607)

HADES p+Nb data: in preparation

Electron pairs from cold nuclear matter

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HADES p+Nb data (M. Weber, M. Lorenz), publication in preparation

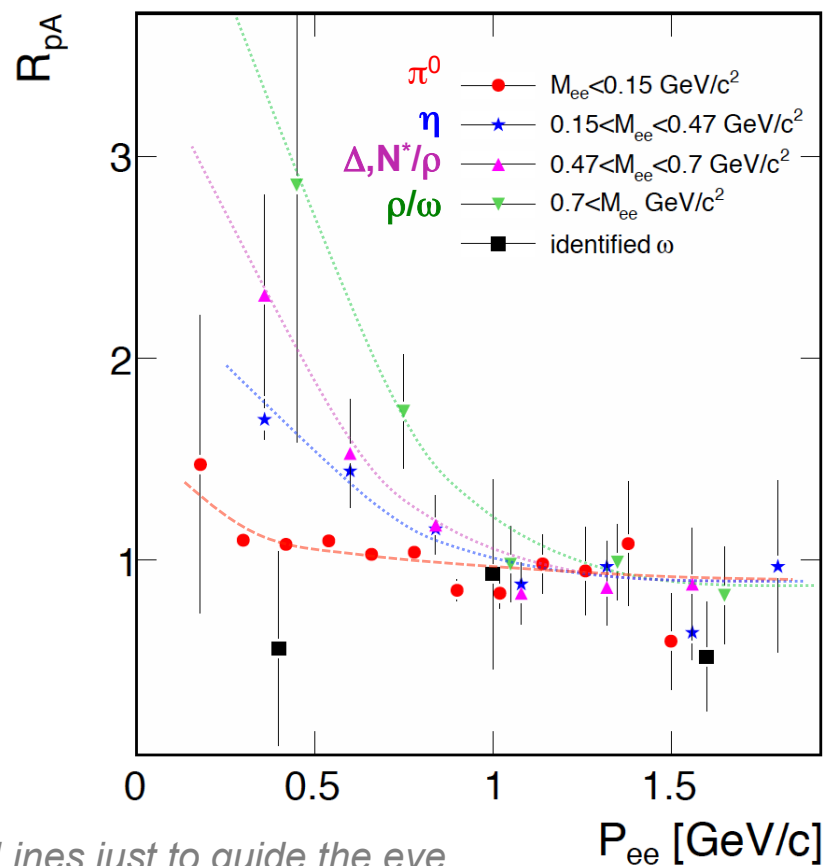


- No ω line shape modification is observed
- For $p_{e+e-} < 0.8$ GeV/c clear **excess over p+p**
→ role of the secondary ρ from N(1520), Δ (1700),...?
- **Reduced ω yield** → strong broadening?

Origin of the excess in p+Nb system?

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Nuclear modification factor:
$$R_{pA} = \frac{d\sigma/dp^{pNb}}{d\sigma/dp^{pp}} \cdot \frac{A_{part}^{pp}}{A_{part}^{pNb}} \cdot \frac{\sigma_{reaction}^{pp}}{\sigma_{reaction}^{pNb}}$$



- R_{pA} grows significantly when p_{e+e-} decreases (max for ρ) \rightarrow role of secondary reactions?
- Identified ω do not show momentum dependence!

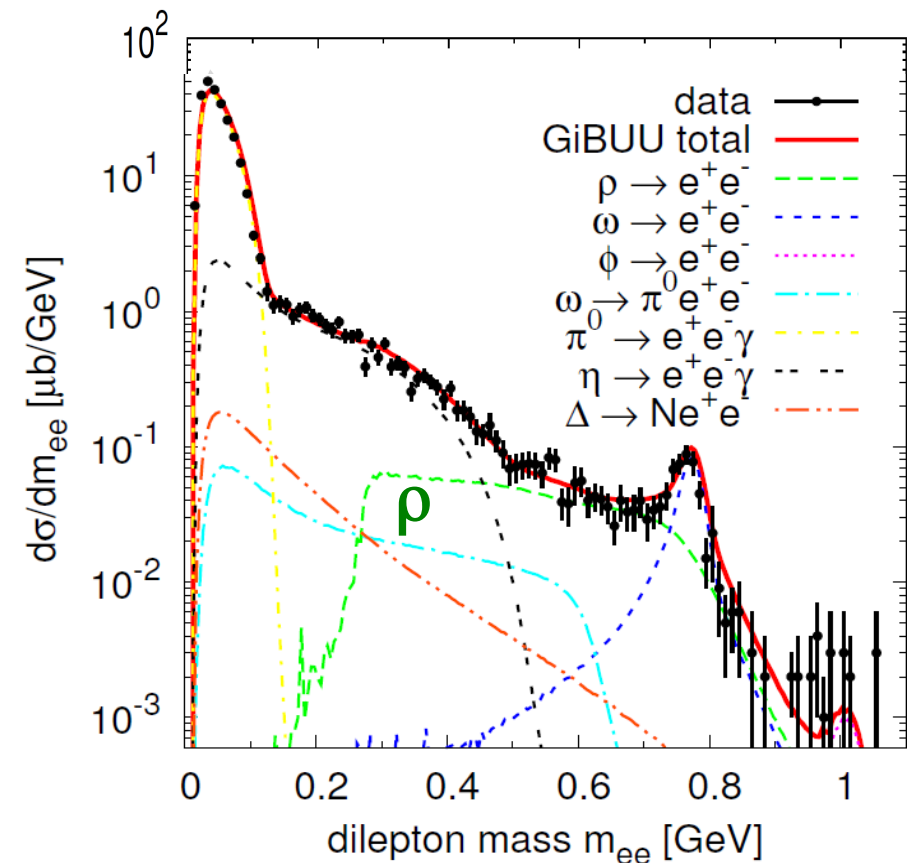
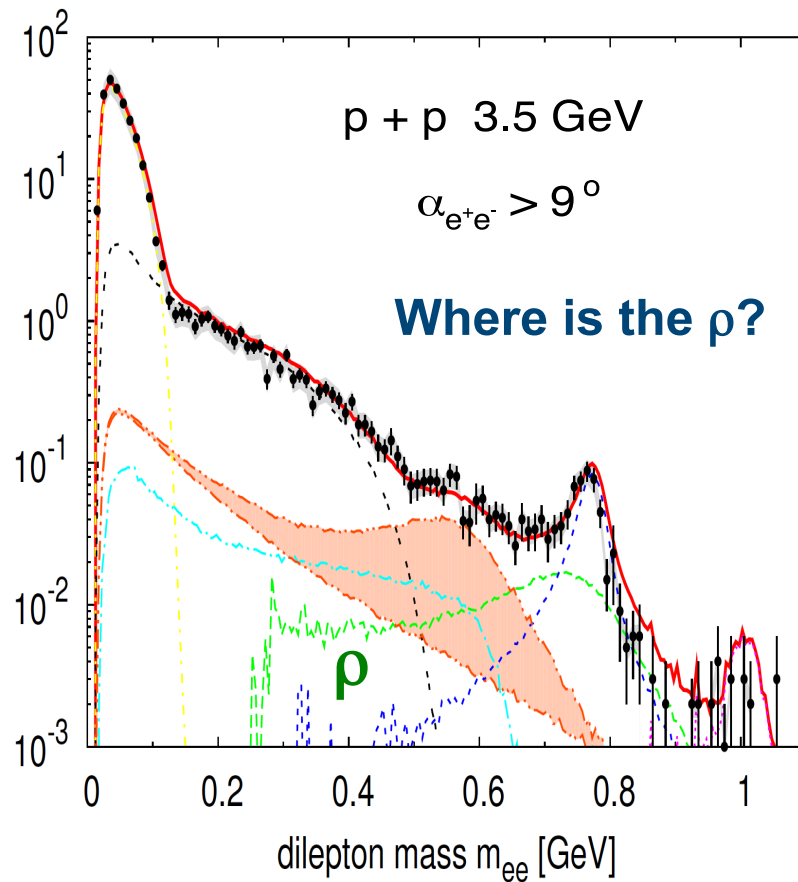
From T_A to ω absorption,
like in γA reactions (see talk V. Metag)?

\rightarrow *not straightforward in pA collisions*

GiBUU calculations : $p+p$ at 3.5 GeV

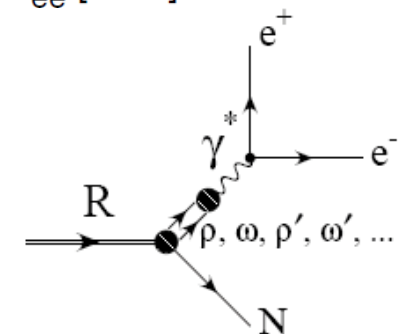
J. Weil et al., arXiv:1106.1344v1 [hep-ph] 7 Jun 2011

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- Better description when introducing Δ -N transition EM form factor

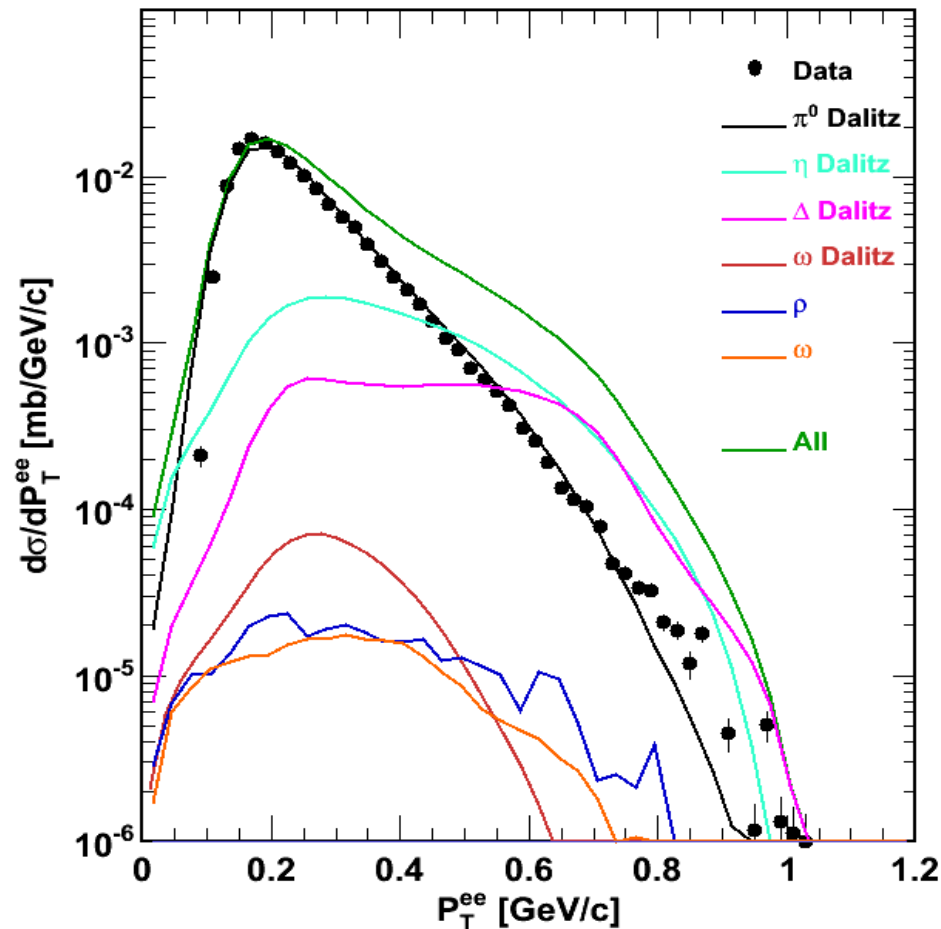
- or when producing all ρ via baryonic resonances →



HSD and UrQMD calculations : $p+p$ at 3.5 GeV

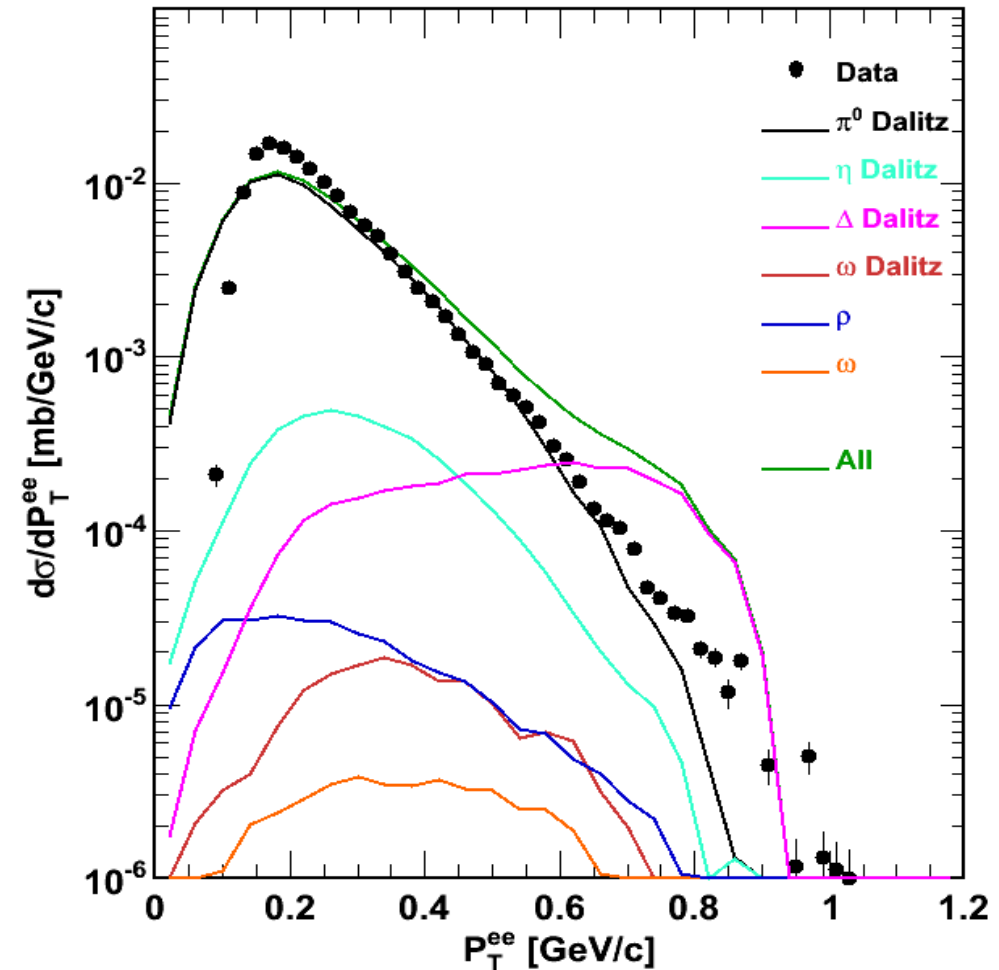
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P_T comparison with HSD



Particle production by
LUND string fragmentation

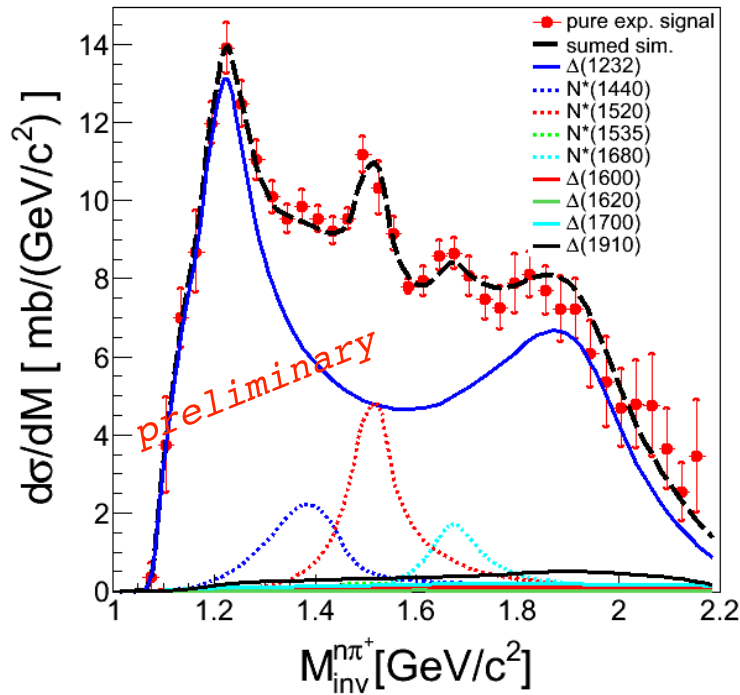
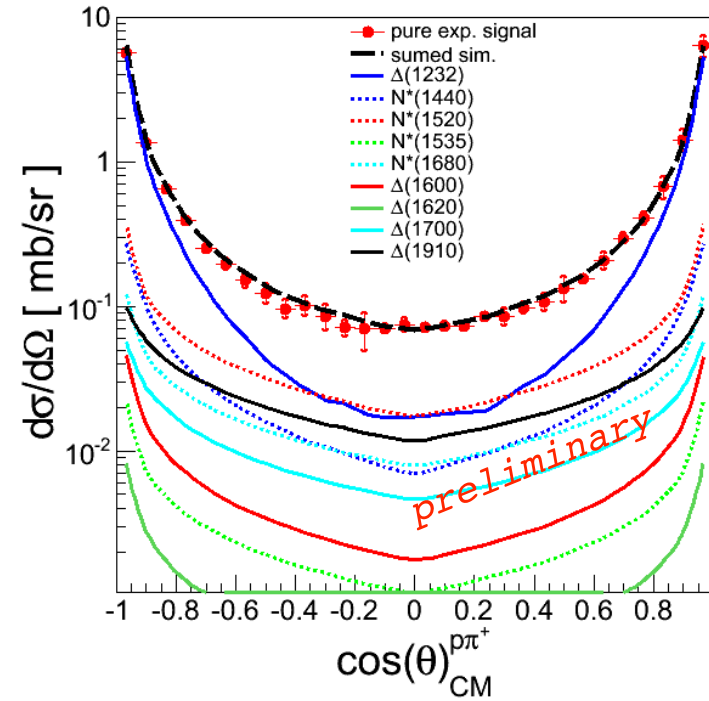
P_T comparison with UrQMD



Particle production
through baryonic resonances

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

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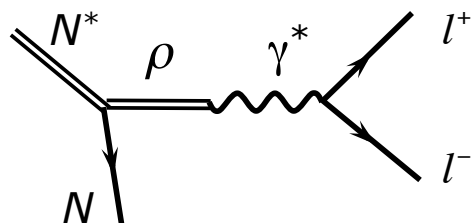
 $n\pi^+$ invariant mass $p\pi^+$ angular distribution

Data: in preparation, A. Dybczak

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

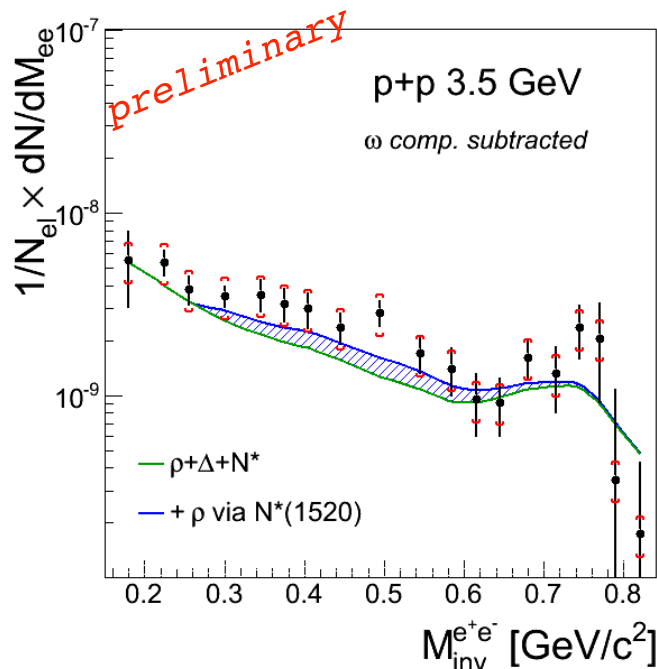
 $pp \rightarrow ppe^+e^-$

Dileptons: from SIS to SPS...



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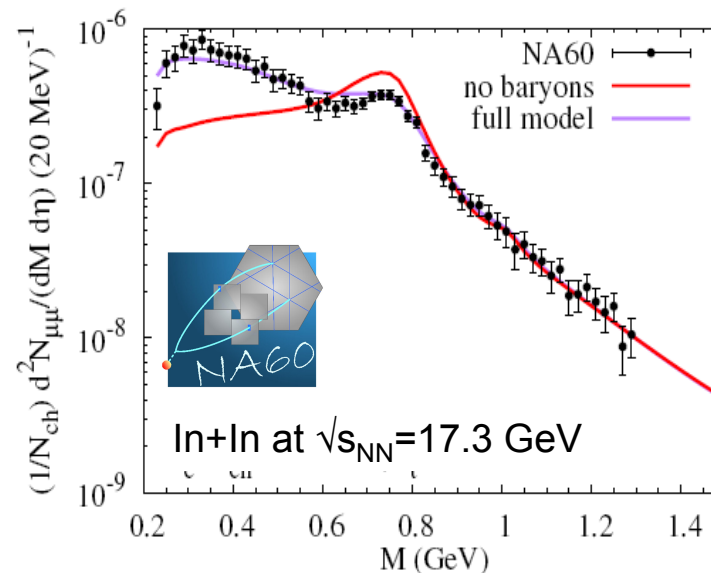
Exclusive analysis: $pp \rightarrow ppe^+e^-$



Data: in preparation, A. Dybczak
 Model: M. Zetenyi and Gy. Wolf
 Phys. Rev. C 67, 044002 (2003).

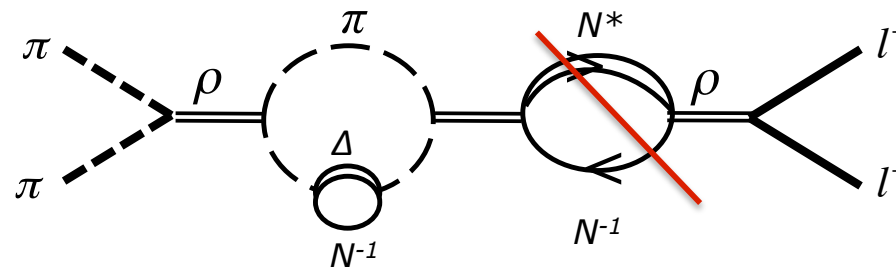
- Dalitz decays of baryonic resonances - dominant source at low beam energies.
- Relative contribution reconstructed from the hadronic channels

Acceptance corrected dimuon excess yield



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

In-medium ρ spectral function:
 strength of dilepton yield at low masses is
due to coupling to baryons!



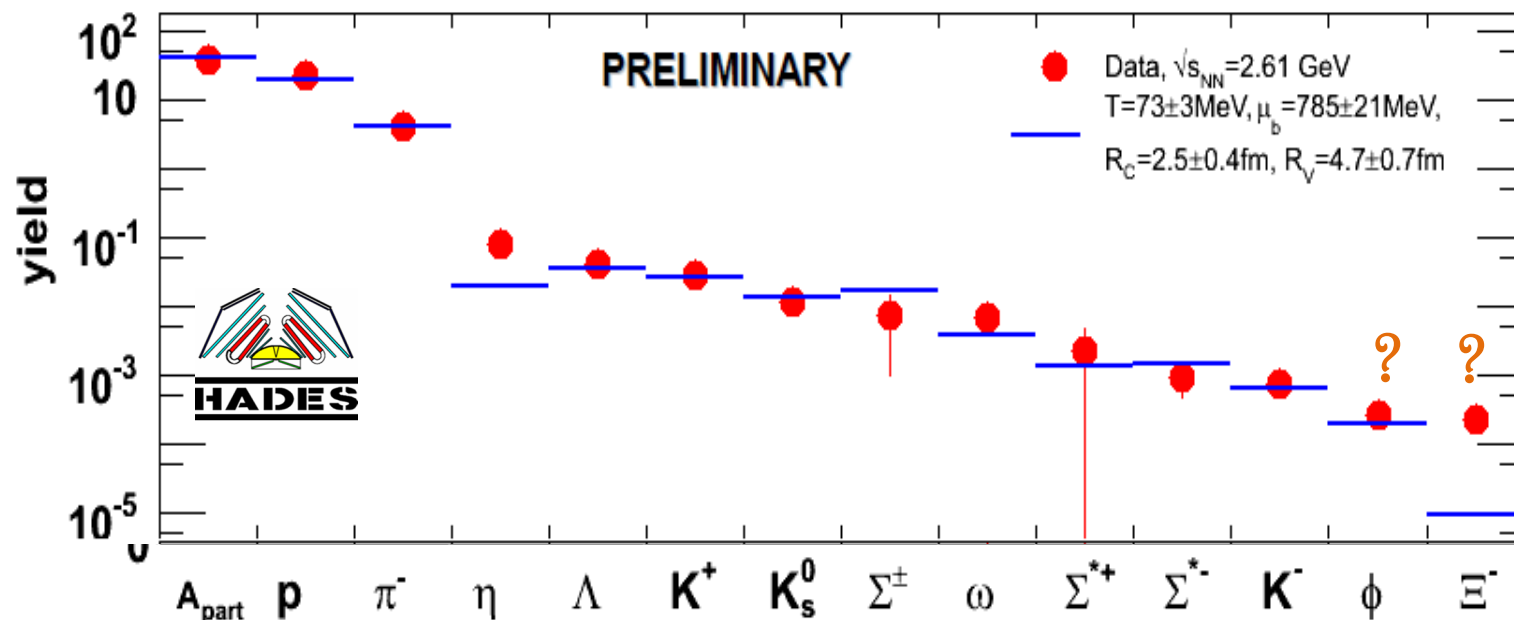
Friman et al., 1993 Nucl. Phys. A 560 411

strangeness

Strangeness production in Ar+KCl collisions

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Final state “hadron-chemistry”



— THERMUS fit: J.Cleymans, J.Phys.G31(2005)S1069

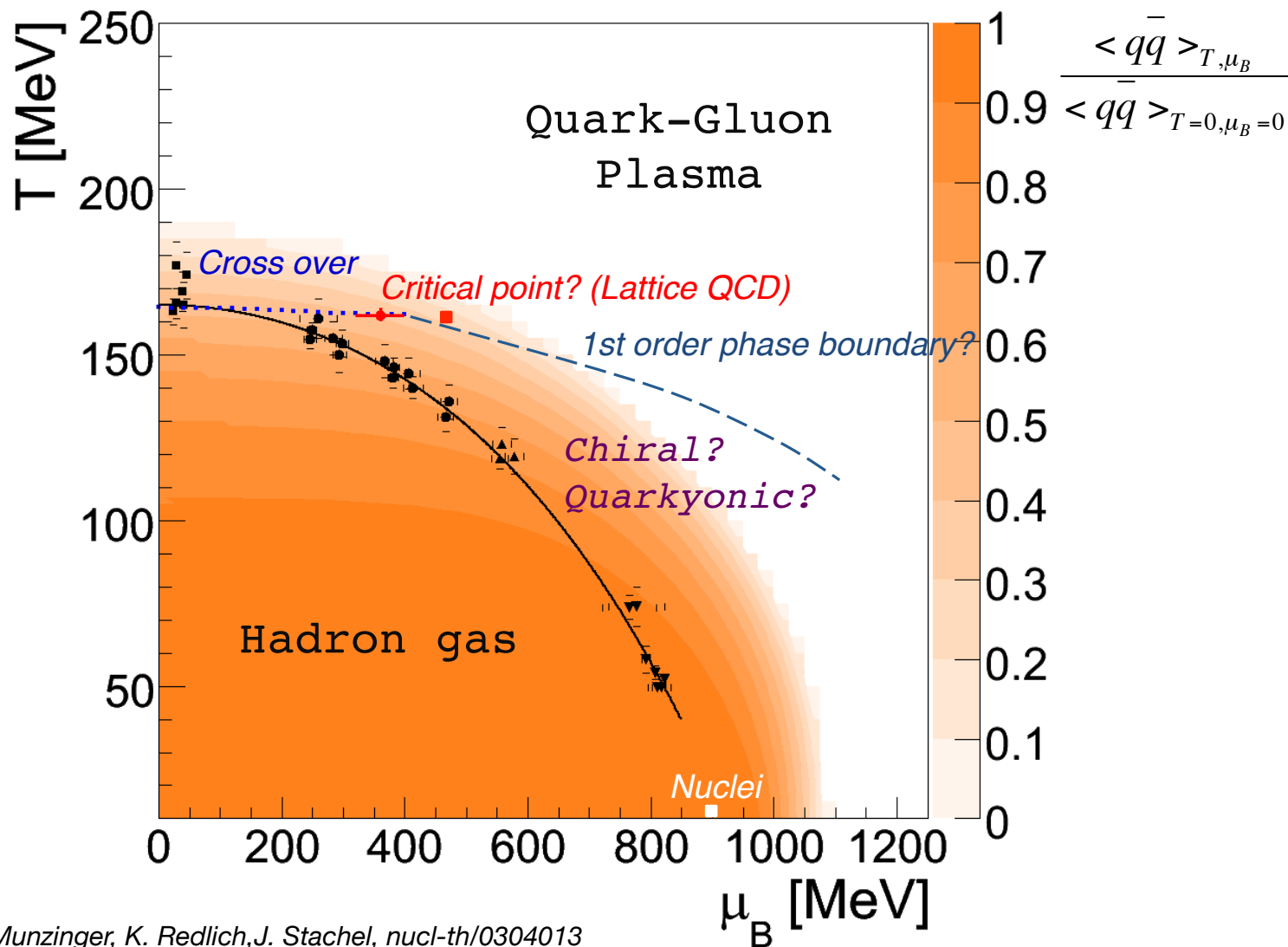
● HADES Ar+KCl data at 1.76 GeV/u: Eur. Phys. J. A 47:21, 2011

Quest for higher statistics!

- Statistical Hadronization Model describes hadron abundances except in case of large Ξ^- yield
- Thermal equilibrium also at low energies (high μ_B)?
- Production mechanism of **multi-strange baryons**?

HADES and the Phase Diagram of Matter

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SHM : P. Braun-Munzinger, K. Redlich, J. Stachel, nucl-th/0304013

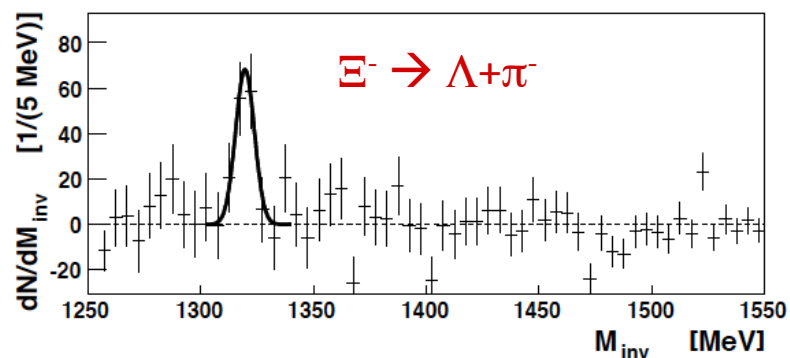
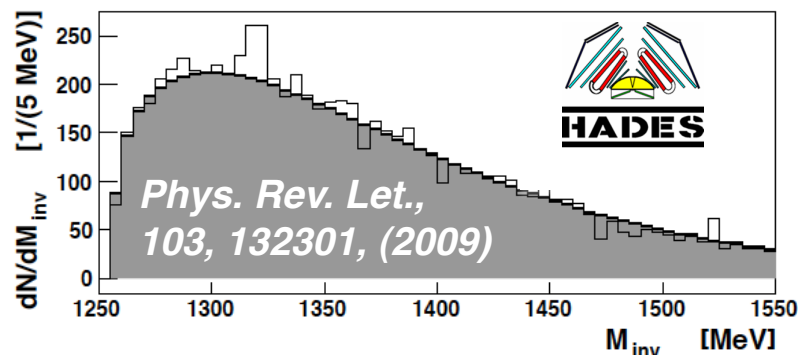
J. Cleymans, K. Redlich, PRC 60 054908

IQCD : Z. Fodor et al., hep-lat/0402006, F. Karsch, QM04

$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle$: Schäfer, Wambach (priv. communication)

Multi-strange baryons

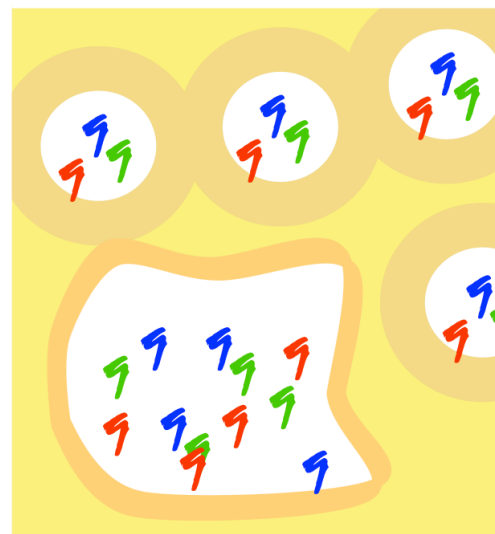
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Probability ($M_{s\bar{s}}$) to produce in Ar+KCl collisions a strange quark pair is $\approx 5 \times 10^{-2}$

$$M_{\Xi^-} \approx 0.1 \times M_{s\bar{s}}^2$$

Bag fussion \rightarrow Quarkyonic matter?



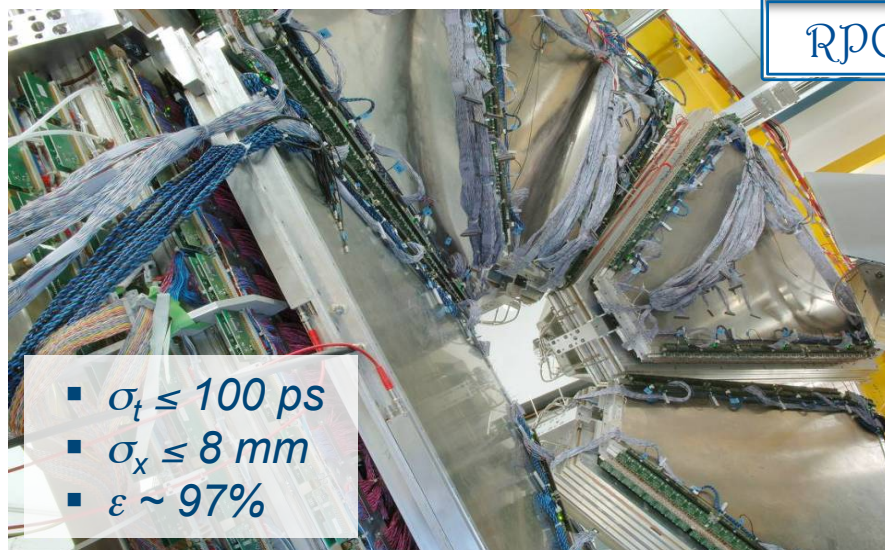
$$T \ll T_c, \text{ finite } \mu_B$$

Strange quarks “trapped” in bubbles?

The HADES upgrade

HADES upgrade: the RPC time-of-flight system

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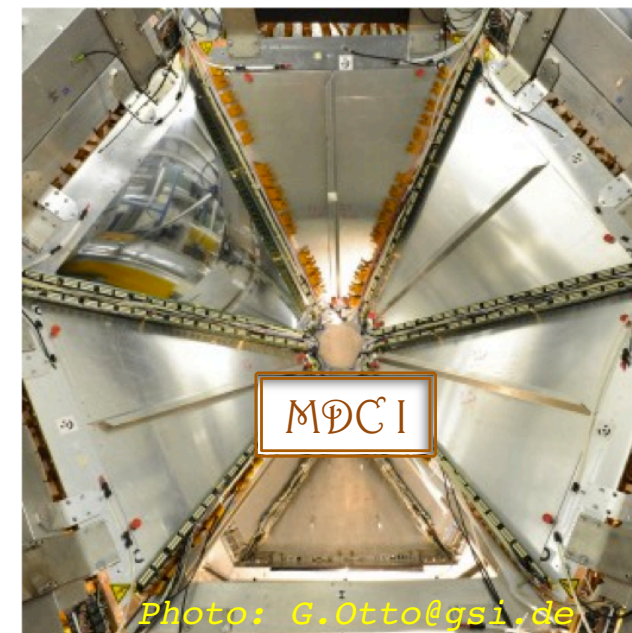
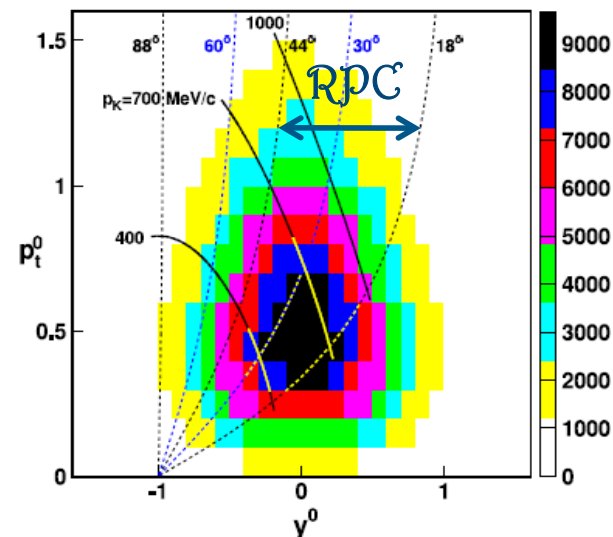


D. Belver et al. NIM A602(2008) 687, 788

E. Blanco et al. NIM A602(2008) 691

Leading institute: Coimbra, Portugal

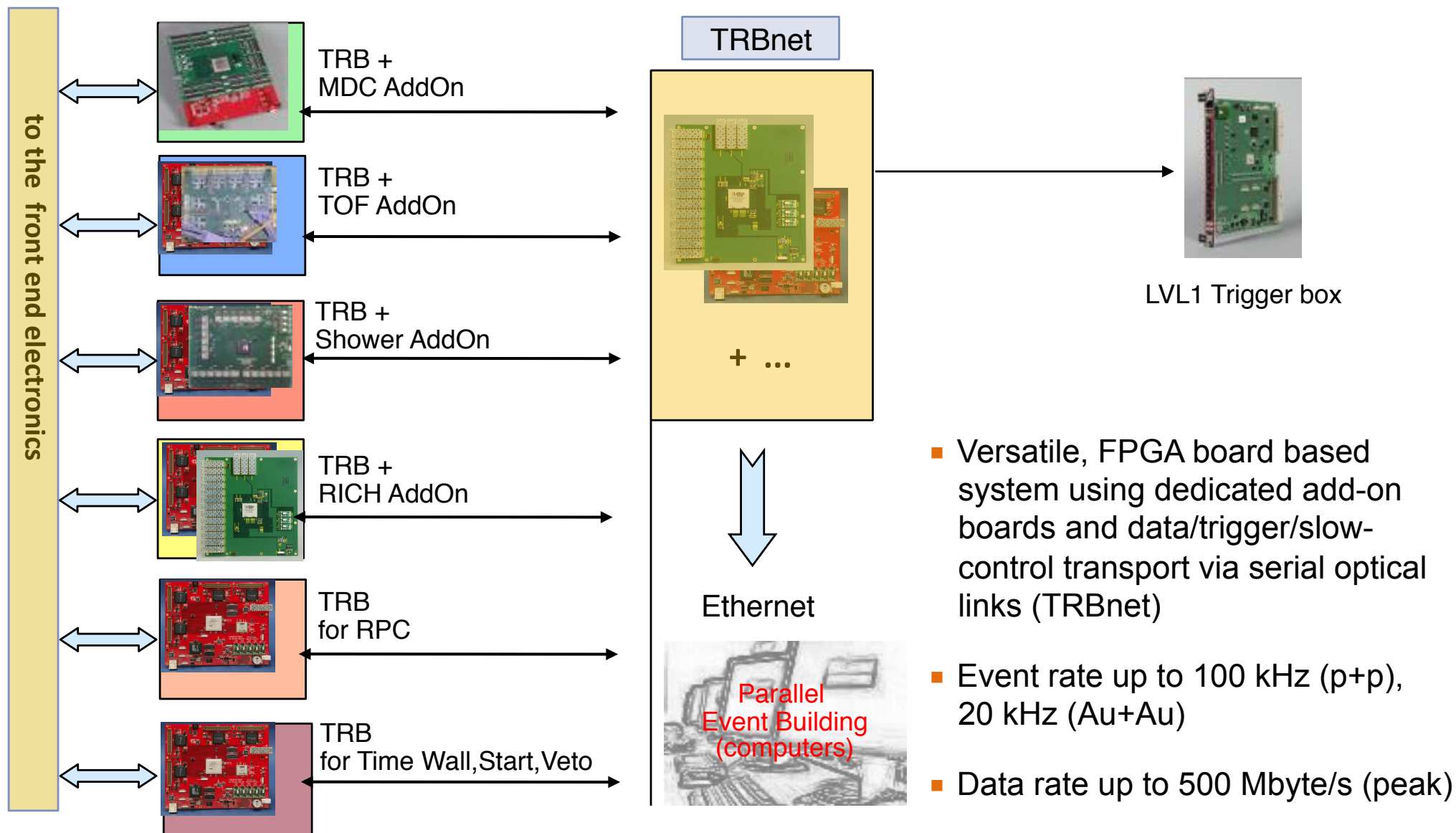
K^- acceptance (nice rapidity coverage!)



- New set of Plane I drift chambers: HZDR, Germany
- Stable operation of 4 modules in Au+Au environment in Aug. 2011!

HADES DAQ upgrade

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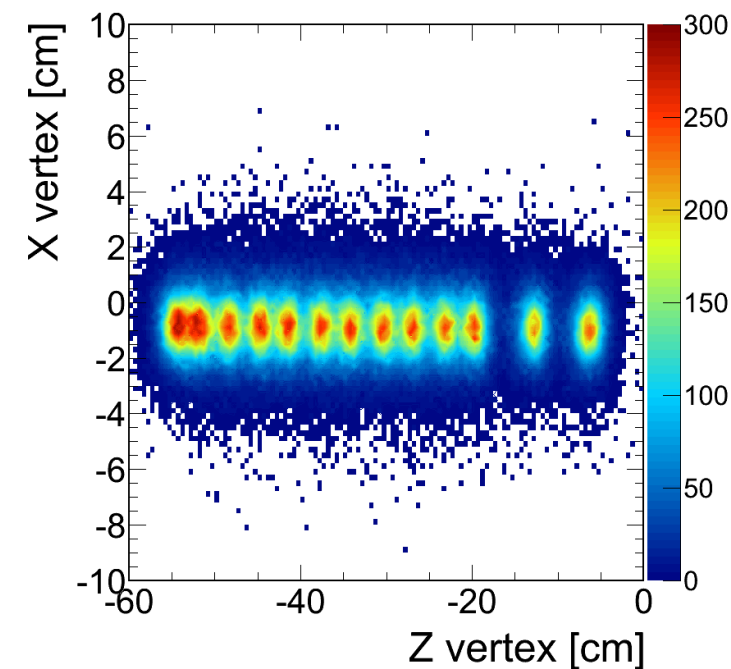
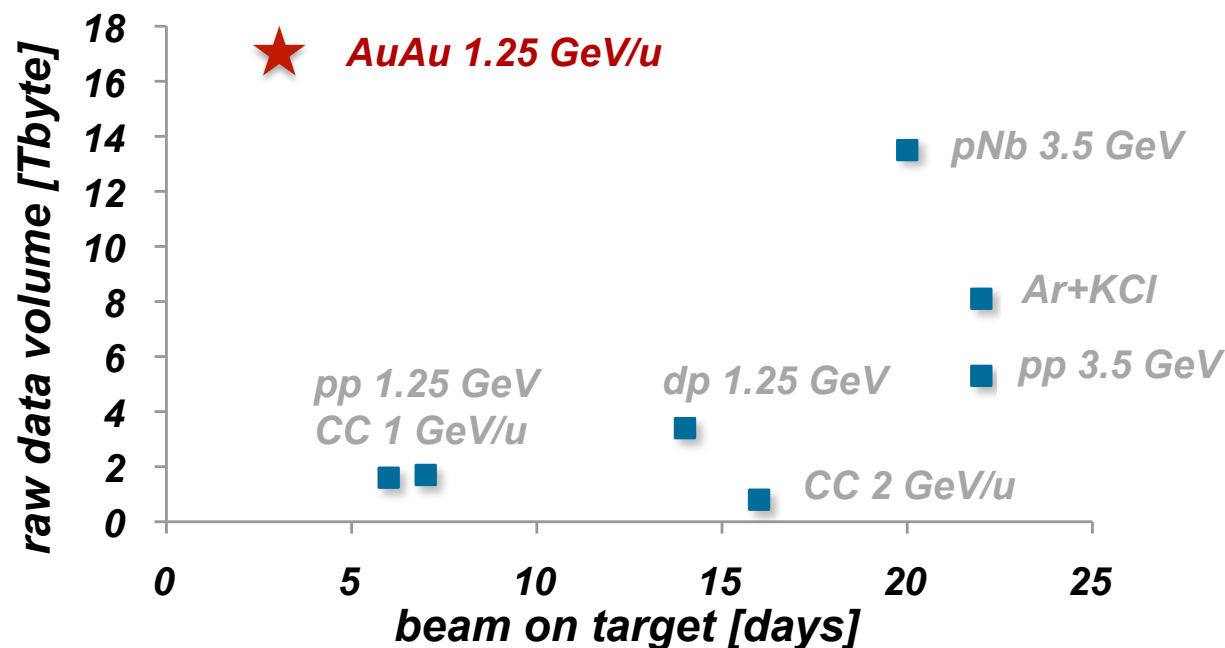
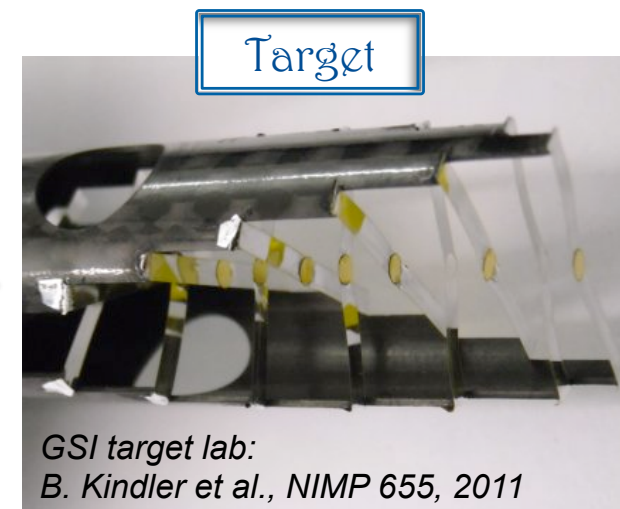
- Versatile, FPGA board based system using dedicated add-on boards and data/trigger/slow-control transport via serial optical links (TRBnet)
- Event rate up to 100 kHz (p+p), 20 kHz (Au+Au)
- Data rate up to 500 Mbyte/s (peak)

Au+Au at 1.25 GeV/u (commissioning beam time Aug'2011)

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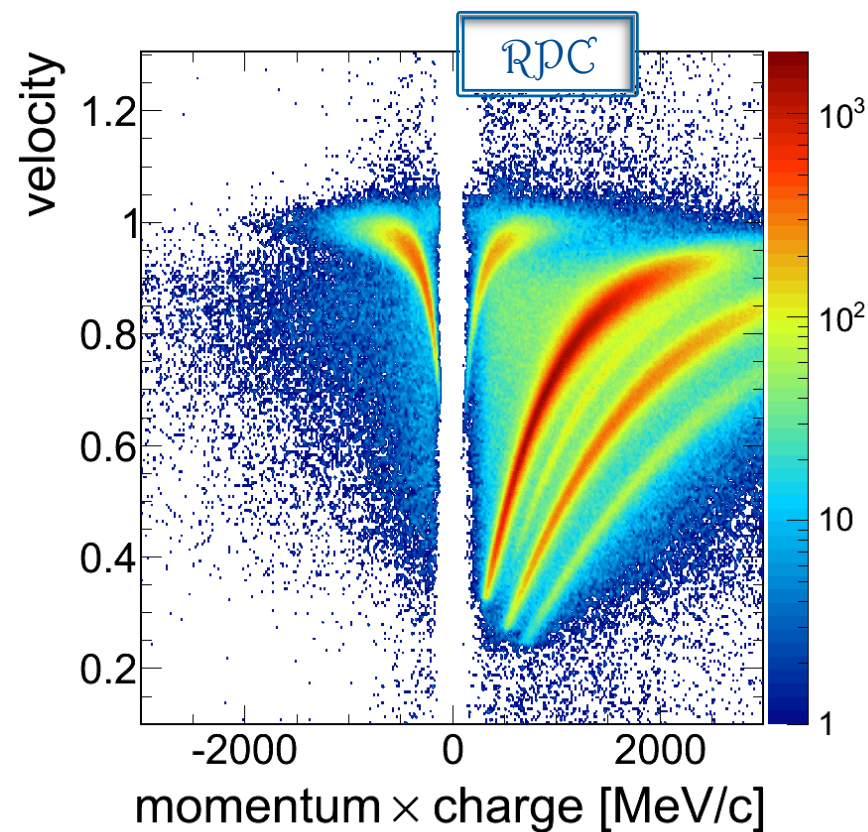
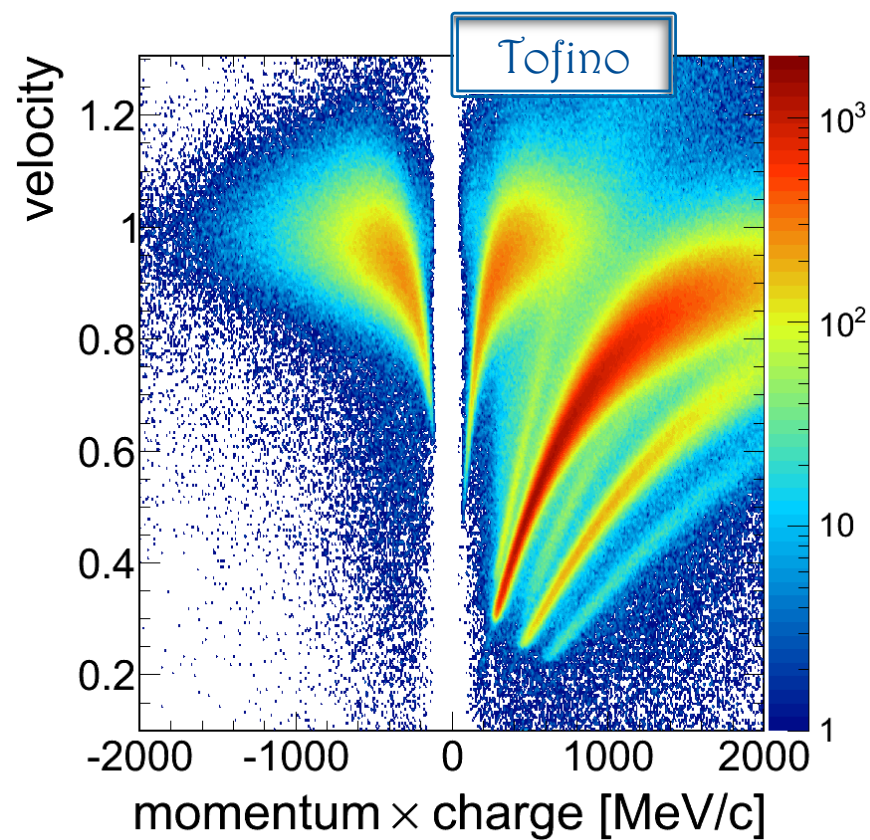
- 64 hours beam Au on Au target
- 1.3×10^7 ions per second
- 8 kHz trigger rate
- 200 Mbyte/s data rate
- 0.84×10^9 events
- 17×10^{12} Byte of data

Au beam



Particle identification: then and now ...

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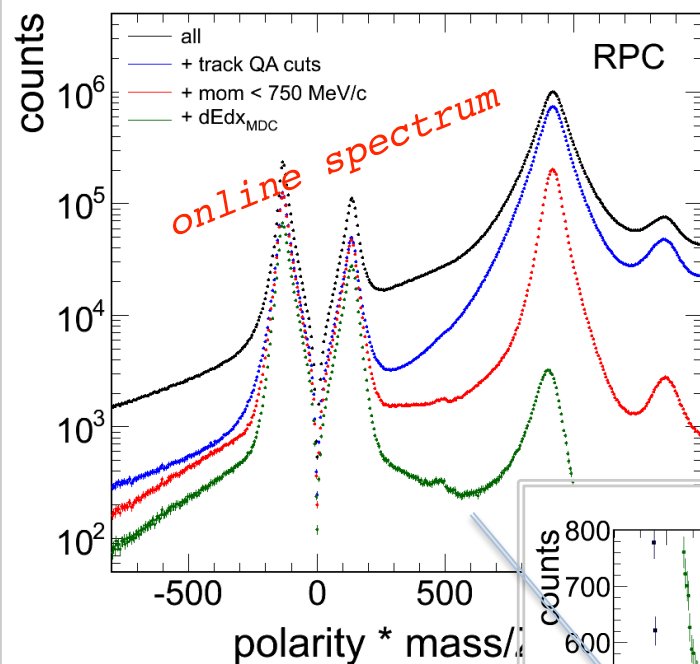
The Coimbra team (P. Fonte, A. Blanco et al.), detector modules
 GSI/HADES (M. Traxler, W. Koenig et al.), FEE and read-out

Online spectra from Au+Au collisions at 1.24 GeV/u

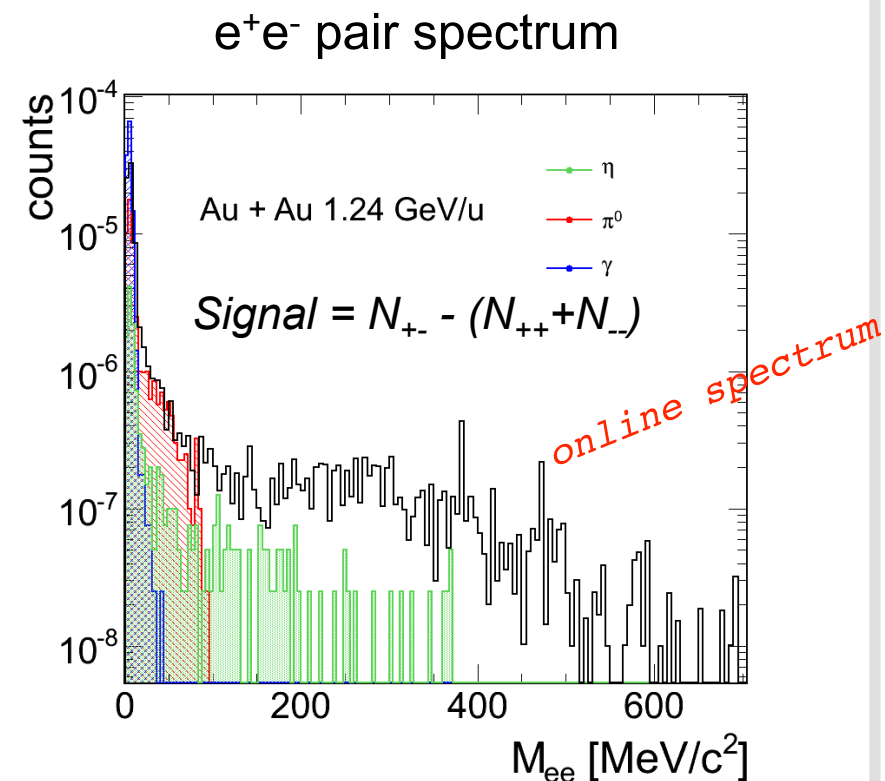
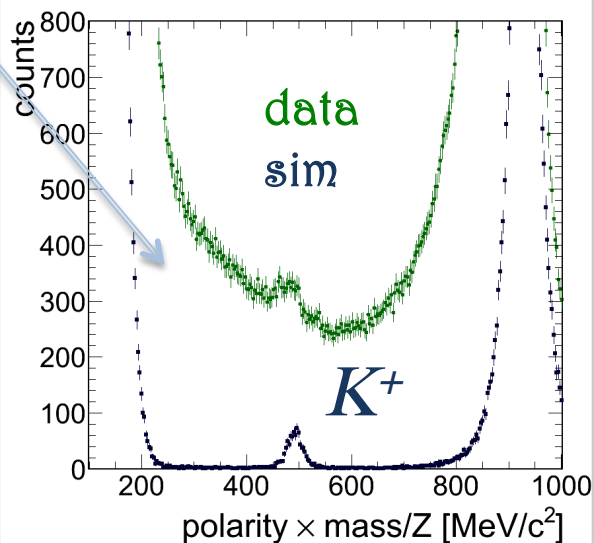
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Online analysis: preliminary alignment and calibration.

New tracking with improved performance in high track density environment



5×10^7 events



- Only three active sectors
- 1/8 of the total statistic

Still to come...

π beam experiments with HADES

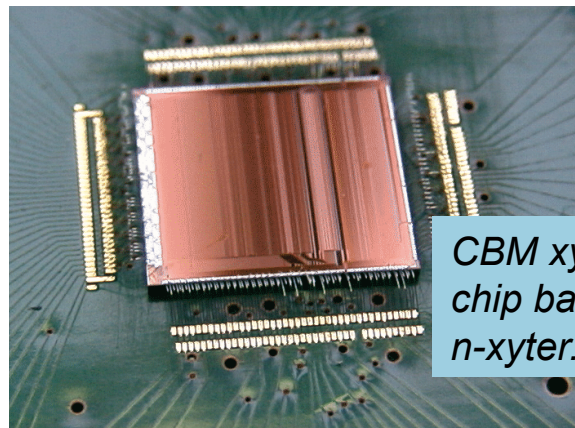
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■ Physics with π N experiments:

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

■ Challenges:

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



CBM xyter FE chip based on n-xyter.

■ Strategy:

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

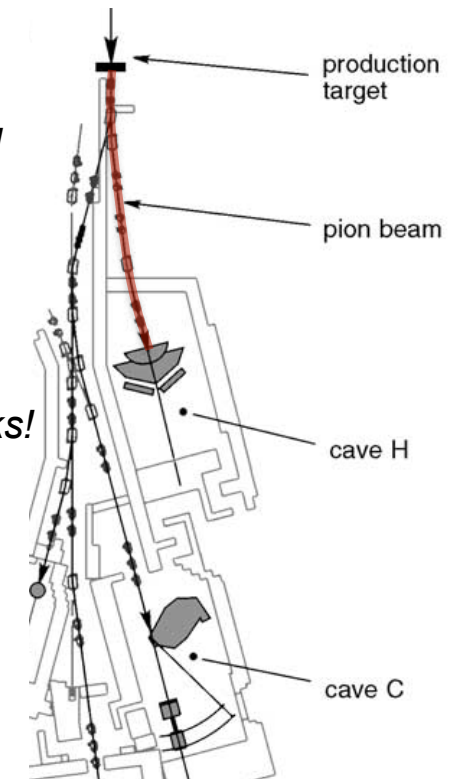
- Profit from n-xyter developments for CBM
 - ✓ Self-triggered architecture
 - ✓ 128 channels
 - ✓ Average hit per channel rate 160 kHz

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

SIS fast ramping

Spill: 4s cycle

Stable run for 3 weeks!



ZEUS at DESY

Summary

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HADES provides high-quality data for understanding di-electron and strangeness production in elementary and heavy-ion collisions at SIS energy regime.

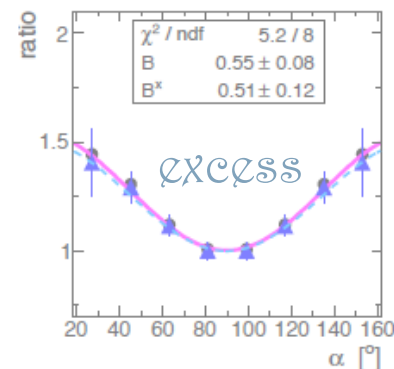
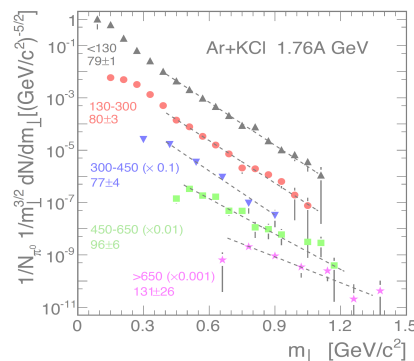
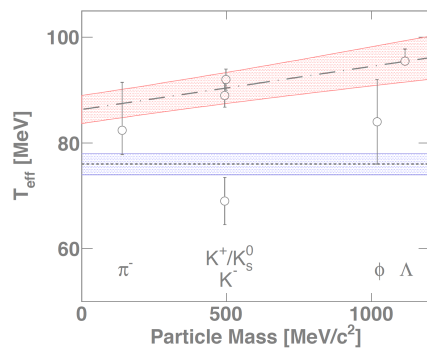
- Long-lived states of compressed nuclear matter are produced in heavy-ion collisions at few GeV energy regime
- This state of matter might be much more exotic than a hadron gas
- Observations:
 - “Thermal” hadron production (with some exceptions)
 - Strong broadening of in-medium states
 - High Ξ^- production cross section

Many more results from elementary collisions!

Au+Au at 1.25 GeV/u commissioning beam time

- New HADES took off!
Performance goals reached and partly exceeded
- Detector is ready for the production beam time in April - May 2012

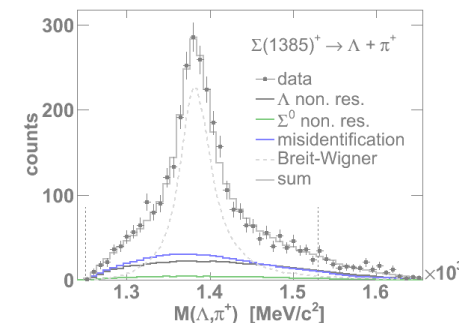
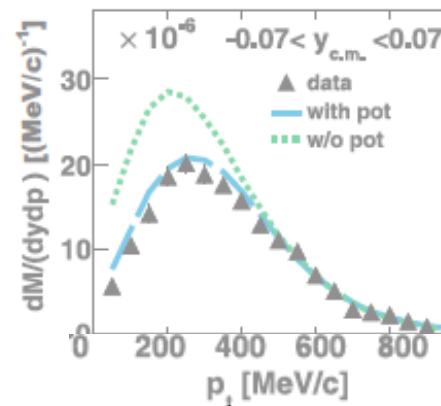
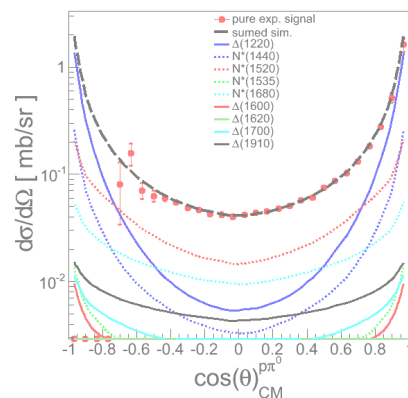




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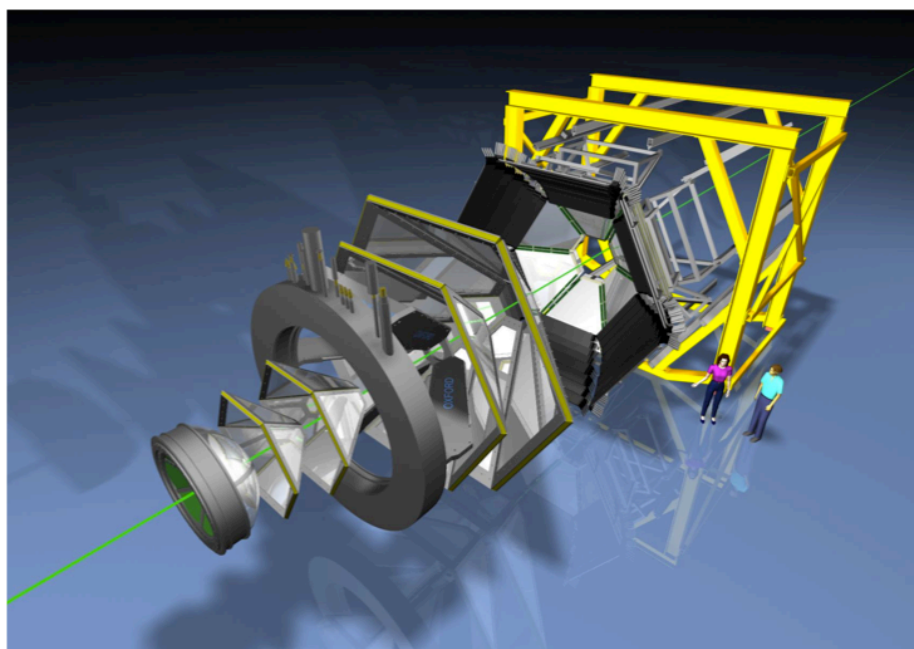
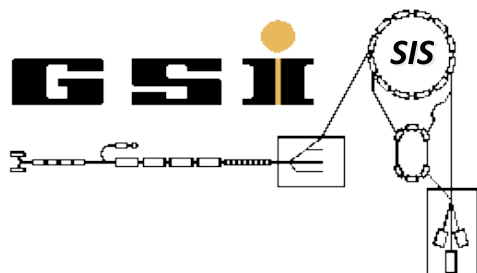
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