

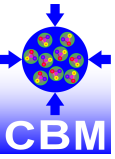


# Compressed Baryonic Matter experiment at FAIR

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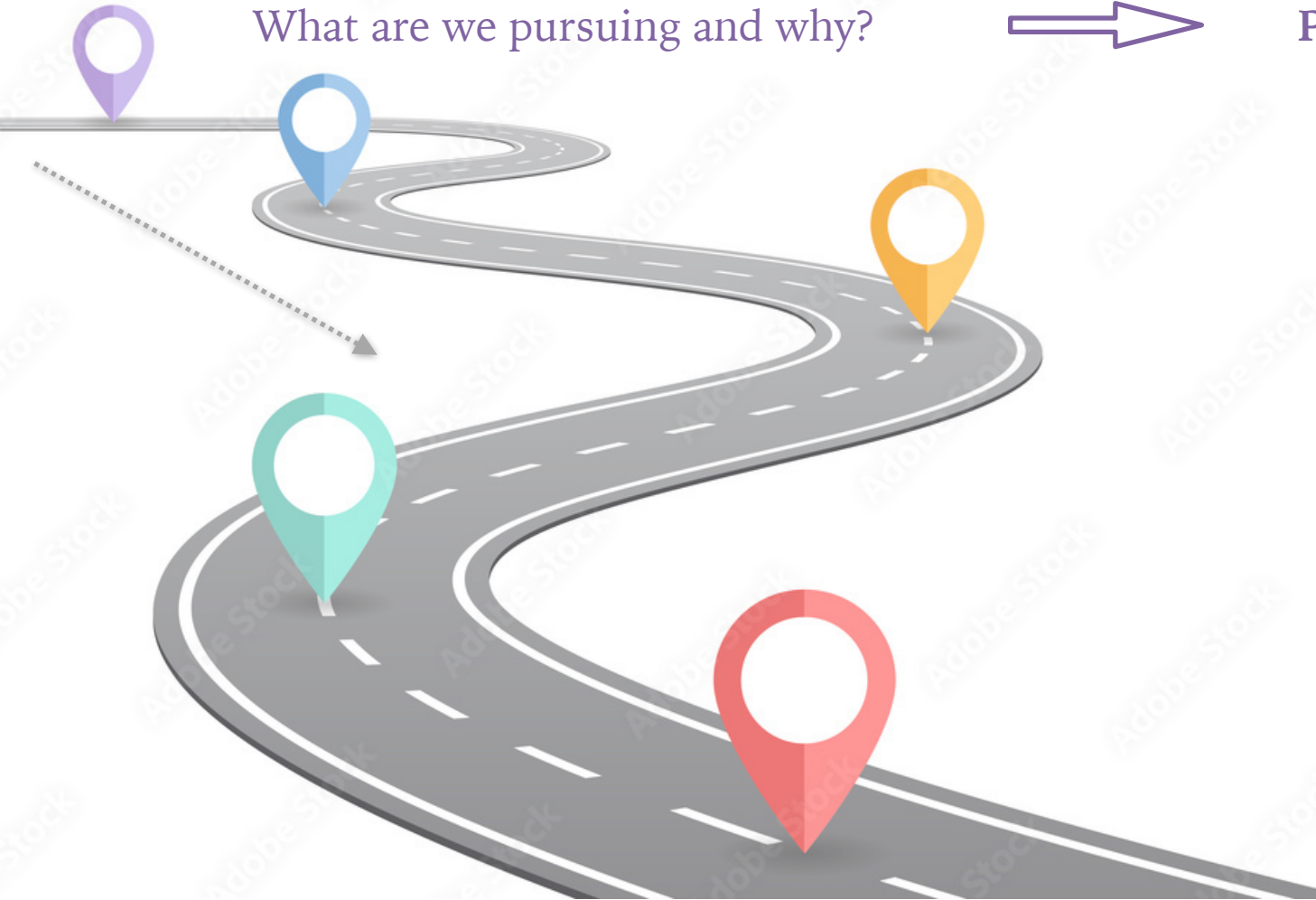
# Road map



What are we pursuing and why?



Physics motivation



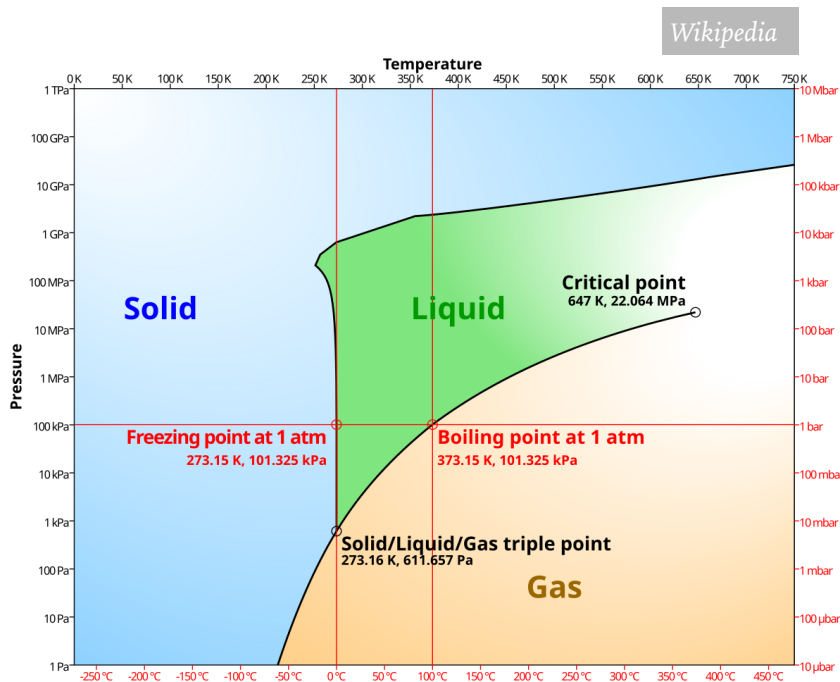


# Water phase diagram

A phase diagram in physical chemistry, engineering, mineralogy, and materials science is a type of chart used to show conditions (pressure, temperature, etc.) at which thermodynamically distinct phases (such as solid, liquid or gaseous states) occur and coexist at equilibrium.

*Lines of equilibrium or phase boundaries:* lines that mark conditions under which multiple phases can coexist at equilibrium.

*Phase transitions* occur along lines of equilibrium.



**Triple points** are points on phase diagrams where lines of equilibrium intersect.

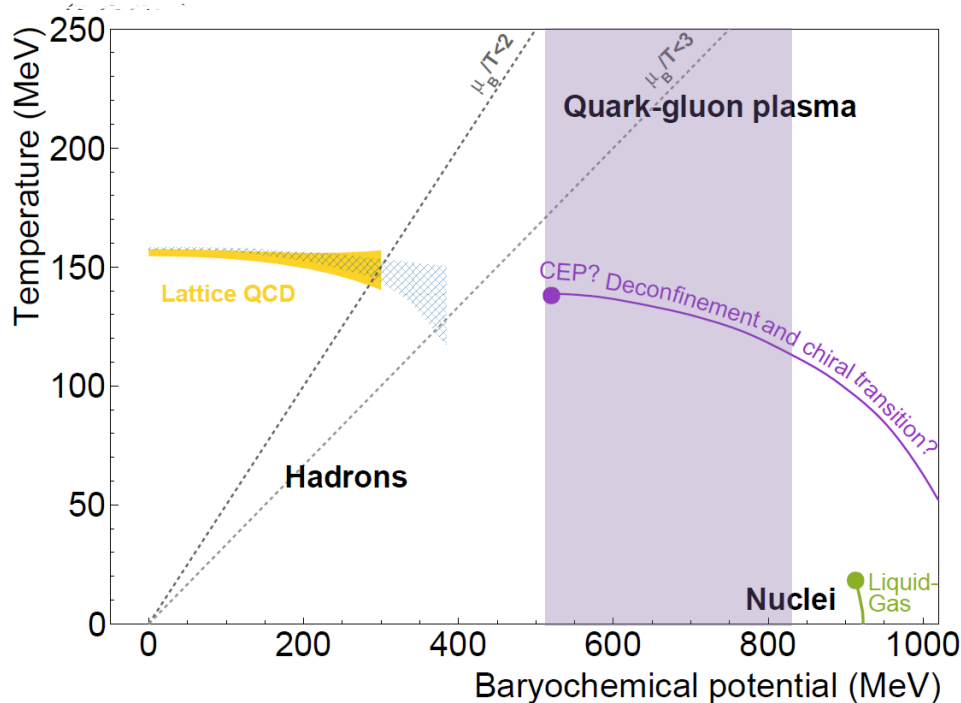
They mark conditions at which three different phases can coexist.

Water phase diagram has a triple point corresponding to the single temperature and pressure at which solid, liquid, and gaseous water can coexist in a stable equilibrium (273.16 K and a partial vapor pressure of 611.657 Pa).

# QCD phase diagram

**Low  $\mu_B$ , high  $T$ :**

- **Cross-over** transition from hadronic to quark matter - comprehensive studies of **QGP** properties
- No **critical point** anticipated for  $\mu_B/T < 3$



**High  $\mu_B$ , low  $T$ :**

- Unknown **phase structure** (first-order phase transition, critical point possible, mixed phases, new phases, ...)
- Properties of matter to determine
- Characteristics of hadrons
- Equation of State (**EoS**) to establish
- Neutron Star (**NS**)

Bazavov et al. [HotQCD], PLB 795 (2019) 15-21  
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 Isserstedt et al. PRD 100 (2019) 074011  
 Gao, Pawłowski, PLB 820 (2021) 136584

*Ehrenfest classification: phase transitions based on the behavior of the thermodynamic free energy as a function of other thermodynamic variables, described as the lowest derivative of the free energy that is discontinuous at the transition.*

*First-order phase transitions - exhibit a discontinuity in the first derivative of the free energy with respect to some thermodynamic variable.*

*Second-order phase transitions - continuous in the first derivative but exhibit discontinuity in a second derivative of the free energy.*

# NS puzzle

- Observation of NS indicates their mass  $\sim 2M_{\odot}$

(Shapiro-delay: Post-Keplerian parameters of orbits)

- **Hyperons:** Expected in core of NS, the conversion of N into Y is energetically favorable
- **Appearance of Hyperons:** The presence of Y alleviates Fermi pressure, resulting in a softer EoS and a reduction in NS mass (inconsistent with observations)

*Can they still be considered as components of NS?*

- **Proposed Solution:** A mechanism that provides additional pressure to ensure a stiffer EoS

One emergent mechanism involves many-body interactions, such as YN, YY, NNY, NYY

(Other: hypersonic three-body forces, Quark Matter Core - a transition to deconfined phase below hyperon threshold in density)

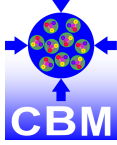
The inner core of the neutron star is totally unknown. One of the most probable scenarios is that hyperons (baryons with strange quarks) appear at a density larger than  $(2-3) \rho_0$ .  $\Lambda$  hyperons, being free from Pauli exclusion principle by neutrons, are allowed to stay at the bottom of the attractive nuclear potential made by neutrons. When the kinetic energy of a neutron on the Fermi surface of the degenerate neutron matter exceeds the  $\Lambda$ -n mass difference of 176 MeV, it converts into a  $\Lambda$  hyperon via weak interaction.

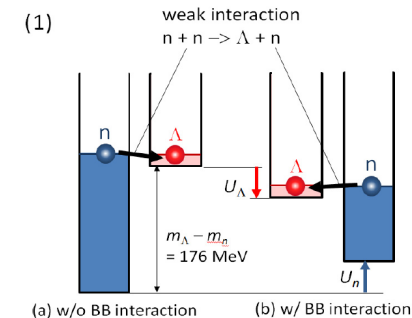
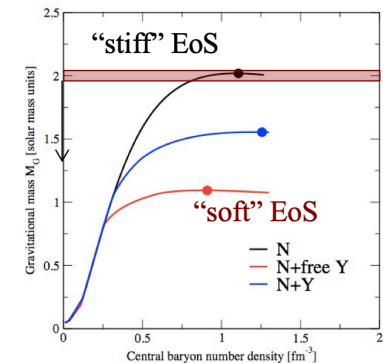
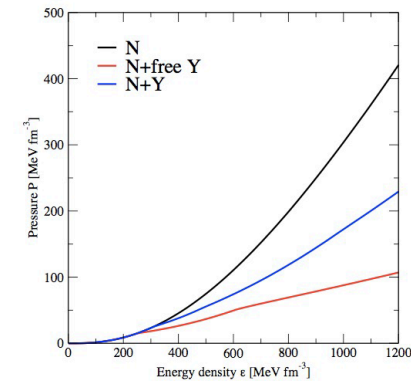
$$M_{\text{NS}} \approx 1 \div 2 M_{\odot}$$

$$R \approx 10\text{-}12 \text{ km}$$

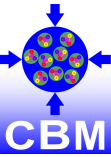
$$\rho \approx 3 \div 5 \rho_0$$

$$\rho_0 \approx 2.8 \times 10^{14} \text{ g/cm}^3$$



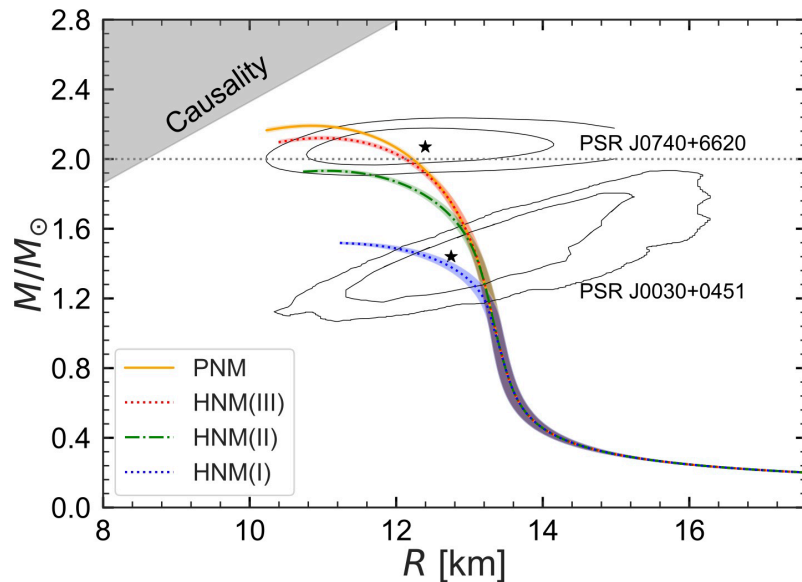
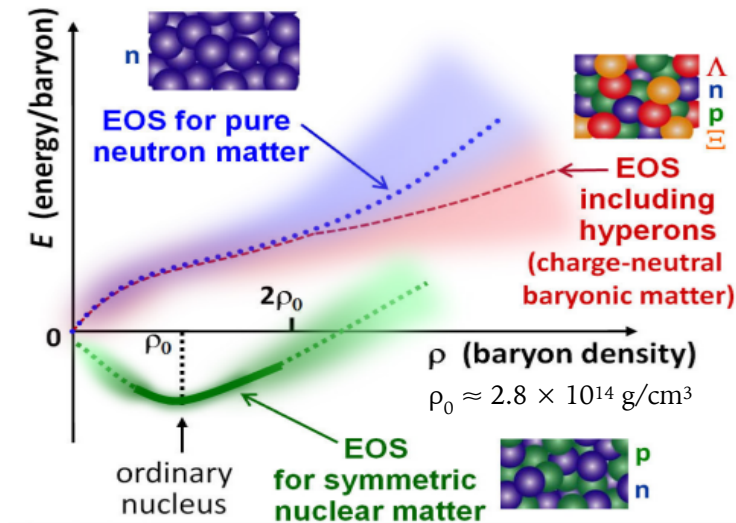


# Neutron star (NS) puzzle



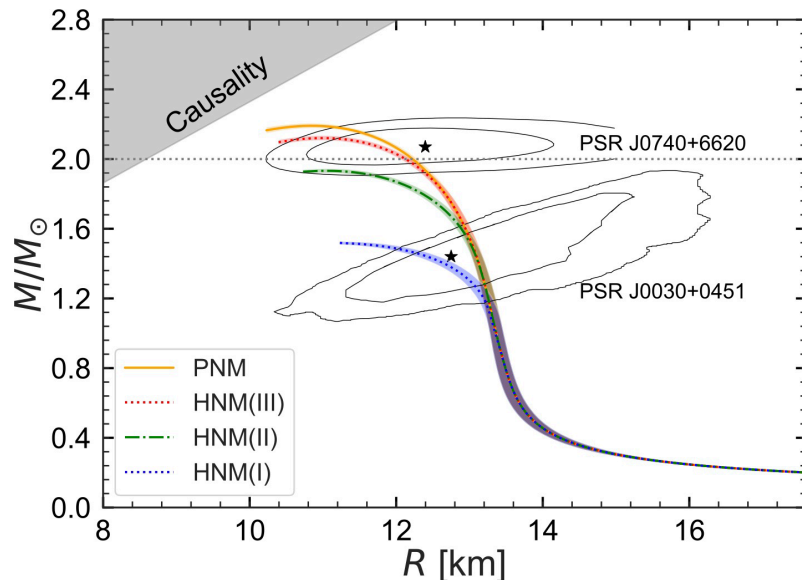
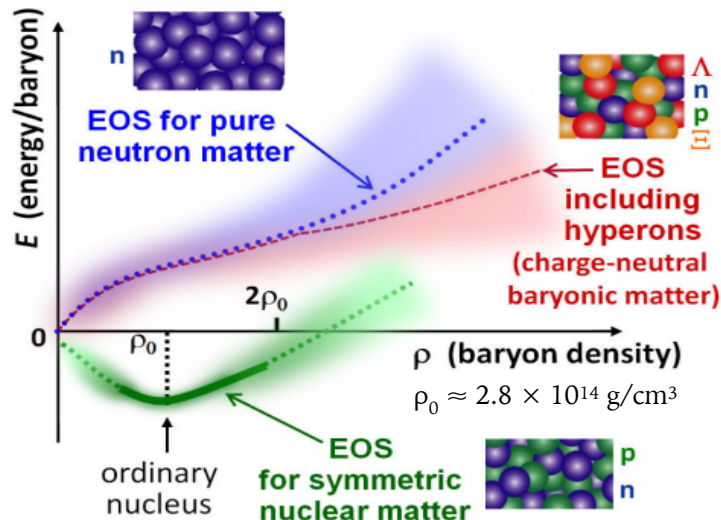
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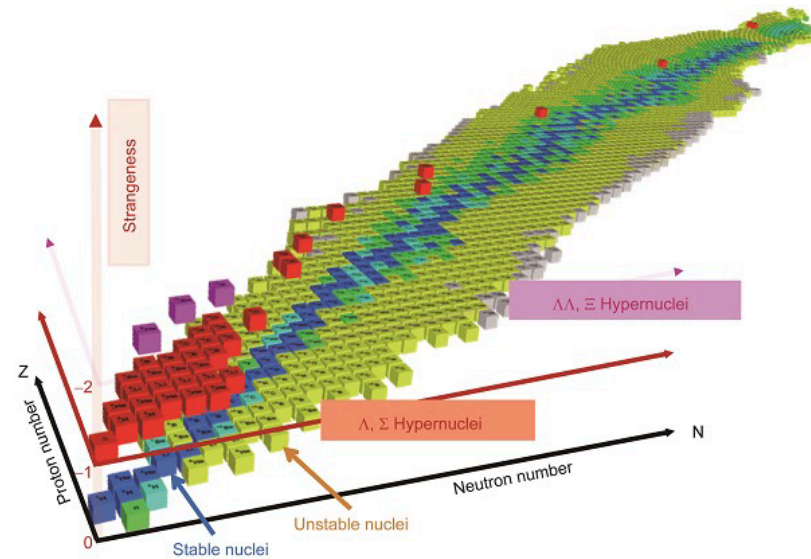


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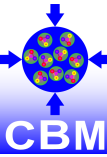
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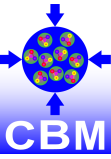
## Hypernuclei are pivotal for the EoS of the NS

- How do nuclei and hyper-nuclei form?
- What are their characteristics?
- How do nuclei ( $N$ ) and hyperons ( $Y$ ) interact?





# NSM and HIC



**Top row: simulation of NS mergers (NSM)**

2 NSs of  $1.35 M_{\odot}$  each,

merging into a single object ( $2R \sim 10 \text{ km}$ ,  $n \sim 5n_0$ ,  $T \leq 20 \text{ MeV}$ ).

Overlap region:  $t \sim 20 \text{ ms}$ ,  $n \sim 2n_0$ ,  $T \sim 75 \text{ MeV}$

- max. temperature
- max. density

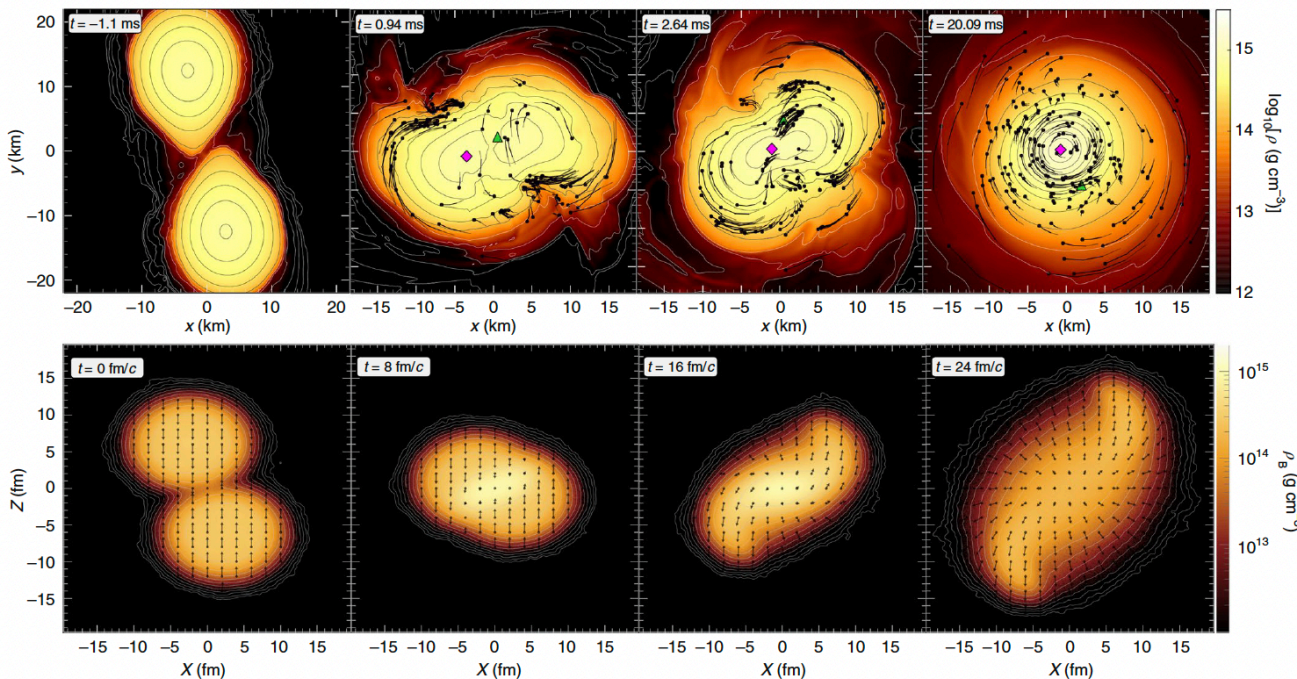
**Bottom row: non-central Au+Au collision at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \text{ GeV}$**

$n \simeq 3n_0$ ,  $T \simeq 80 \text{ MeV}$

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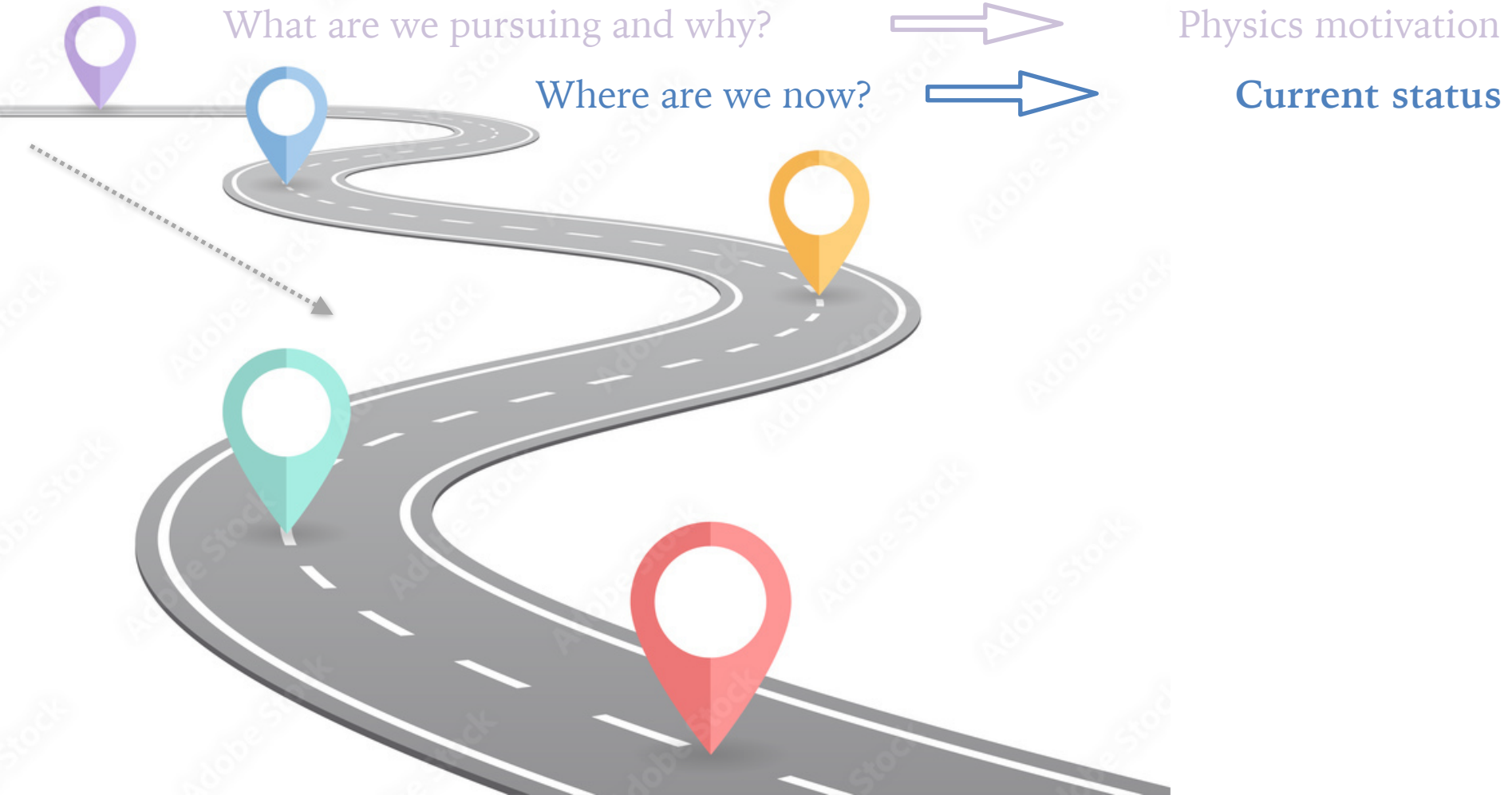
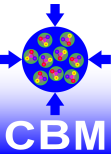
Artist's depiction of a neutron star collision after inspiral, NASA/Swift/Dana Berry



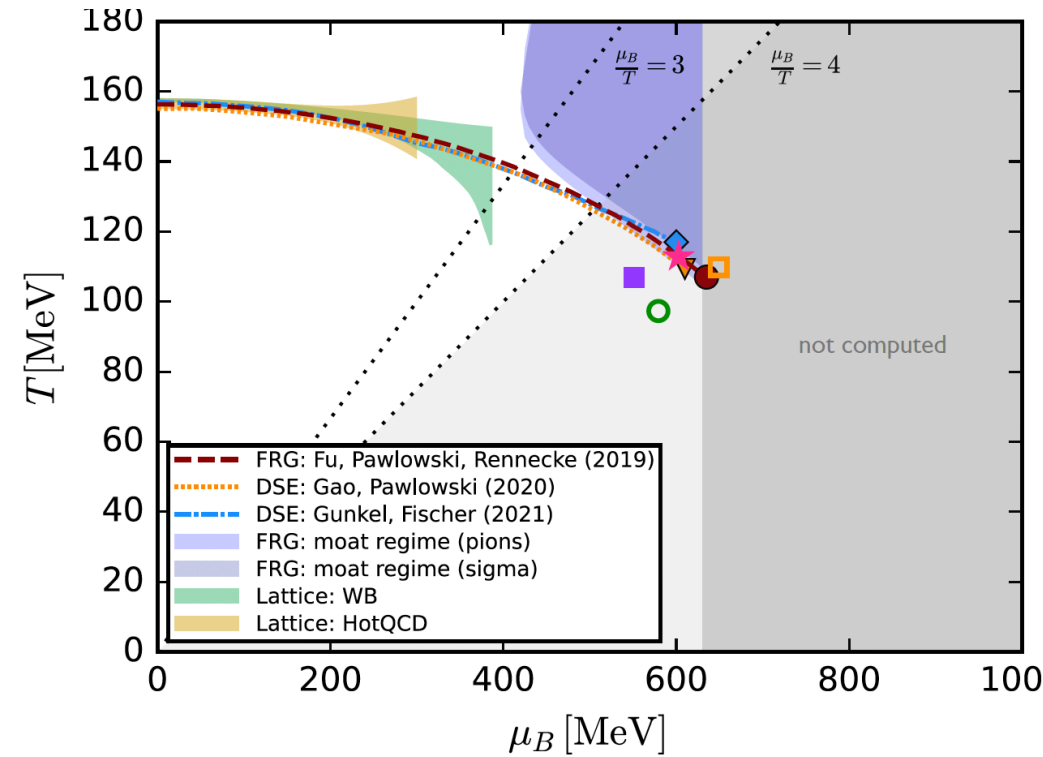
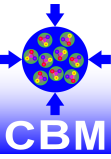
**Space and time scales vastly contrasting (km-NS / fm-HIC**  
 - 18 orders of magnitude;  
**duration** - 20 orders of magnitude)

**Similar densities and temperatures achieved**

# Road map



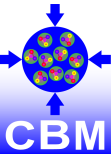
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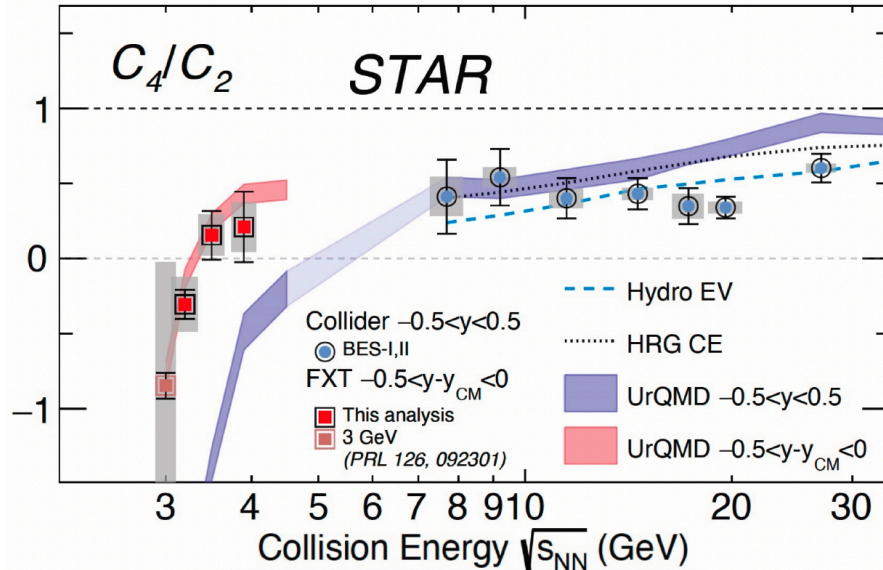
- LQCD frowns upon the location of the critical point at  $\mu_B/T < 3$
- Effective QCD and lattice-based theories estimate its location at  $T \sim 90 - 120$  MeV and  $\mu_B \sim 500 - 650$  MeV
- This corresponds to heavy-ion collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 3 - 5$  GeV (QM 2025 states even  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 3.6 - 4.1$  Fabian Rennecke, QM25)
- The circumstance in which the critical point does not exist is also conceivable

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 Cuteri, Philipsen, Sciarra, JHEP 11 (2021) 141  
 Vovchenko et al., PRD 97, 114030 (2018)

# Critical point searches



0-5% Au+Au Collisions at RHIC



STAR CPOD 2024, QM 2025

$$\frac{\kappa_n(N_B - N_{\bar{B}})}{VT^3} = \frac{1}{VT^3} \frac{\partial^3 \ln Z(V, T, \mu_B)}{\partial (\mu_B/T)^n}$$

$\kappa_n$  experimentally measured

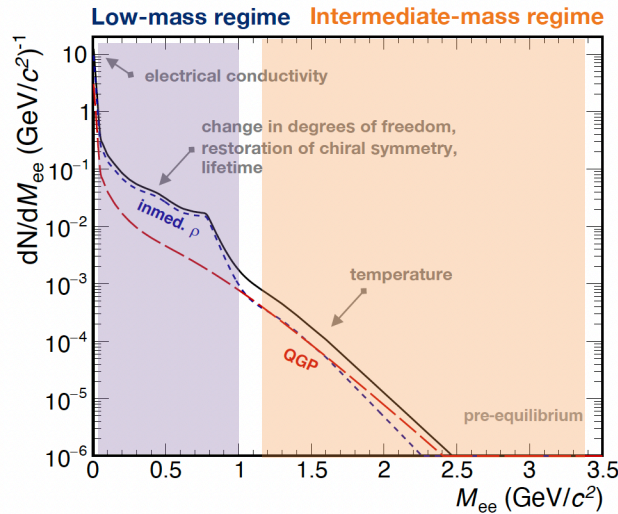
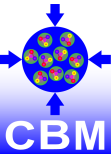
$$\kappa_n(N_B - N_{\bar{B}}) = \langle N_B \rangle + (-1)^n \langle N_{\bar{B}} \rangle = k_n(\text{Skellam})$$

- Non-monotonic trend in  $\kappa_4/\kappa_2$  of net-proton multiplicity distributions suggested as a **signature of the critical point**
- STAR collider program conducted comprehensive studies at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} > 7.7 \text{ GeV}$
- STAR fixed-target data investigation at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} > 3 \text{ GeV}$
- Sensitivity to the features of the QCD phase diagram increases with the order of the moment
- Higher-order moments requires prominent statistics

Detailed systematics studies indispensable

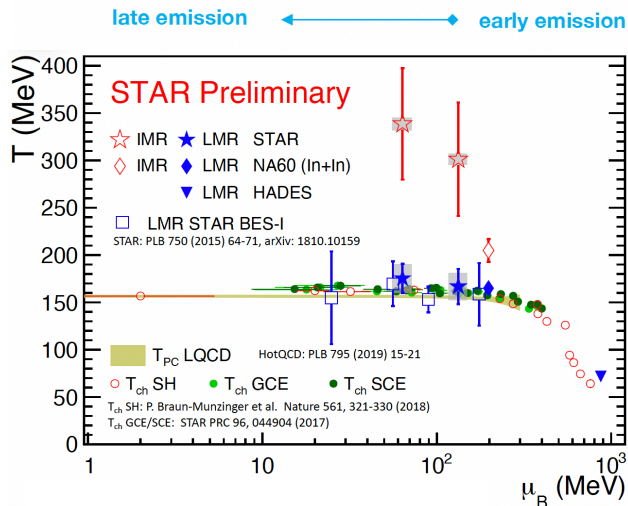


# E-M probes access the whole collision



Inscribes matter properties enabling estimation:

- degrees of freedom of the medium
- fireball's lifetime, temperature, acceleration, polarization
- transport properties
- restoration of chiral symmetry



Thermal dileptons in **LMR**:

- T close to  $T_{ch}$  and  $T_{pc}$
- dominantly emitted around phase transition

Thermal dileptons in **IMR**:

- T is higher than  $T_{pc}$
- Emitted from QGP phase

Effective size-signal:  $S_{eff} \sim R \frac{S}{B}$

R - interaction rate

S - signal

B- combinatorial background

**Prominent interaction rate mandatory**

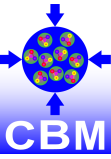
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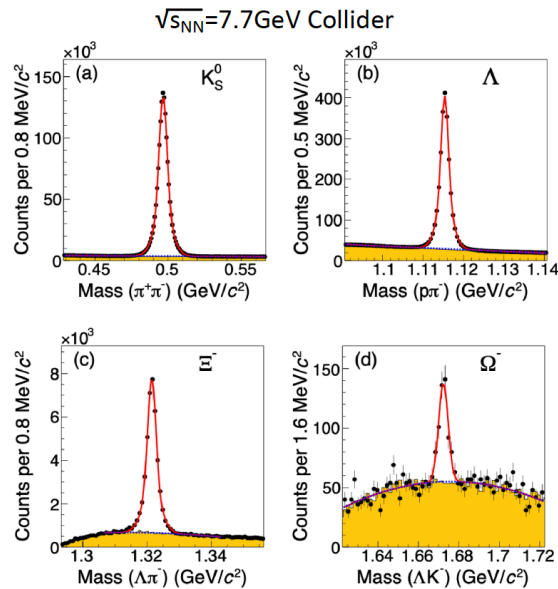


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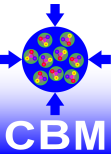
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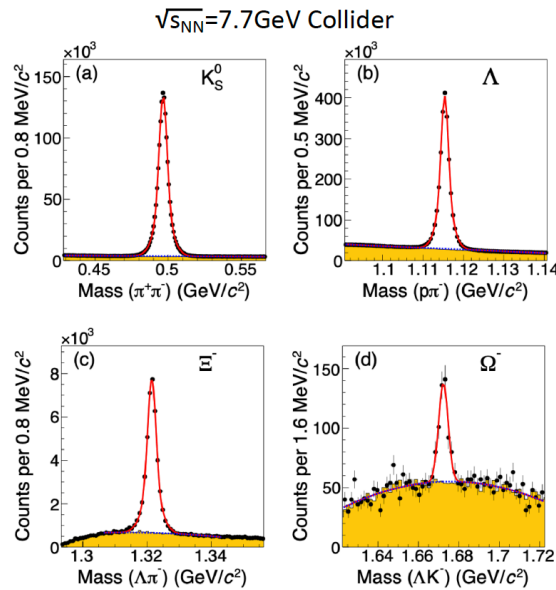
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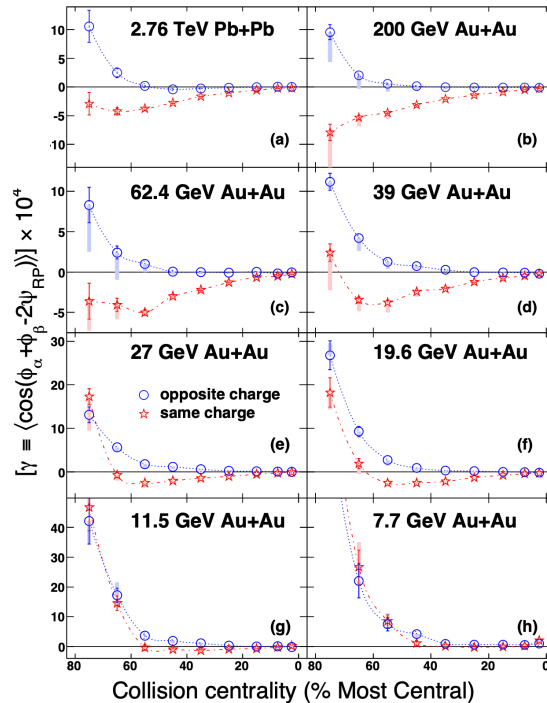


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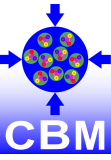


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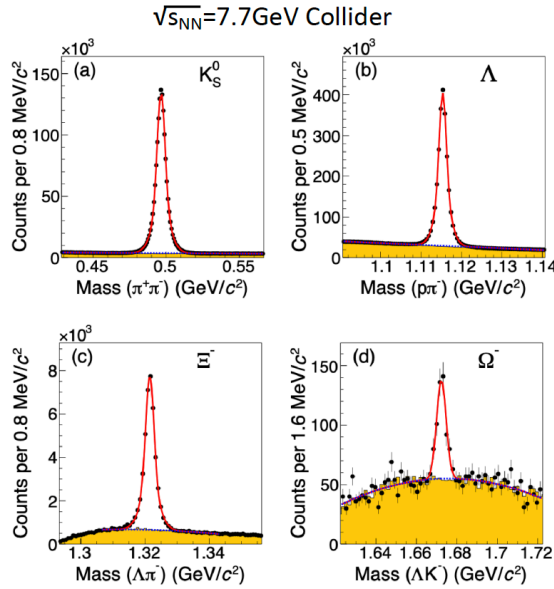
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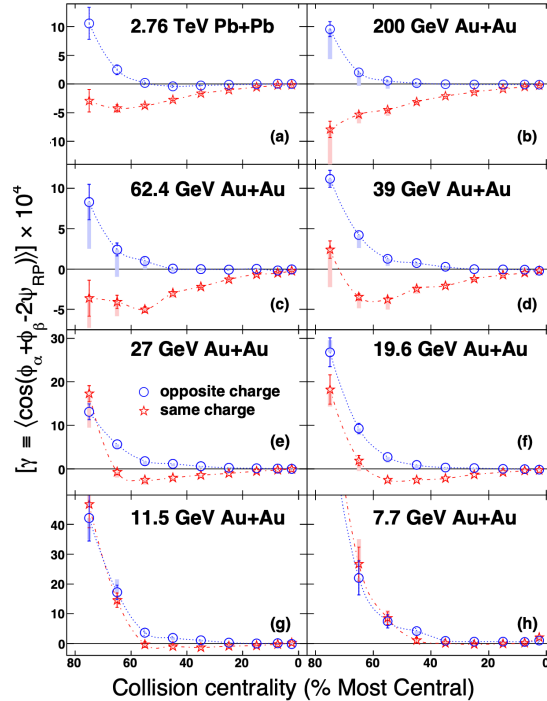


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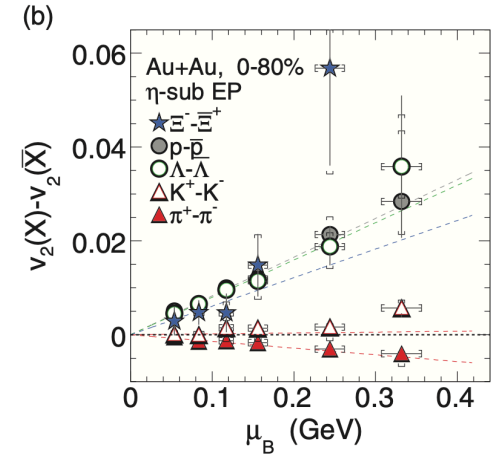
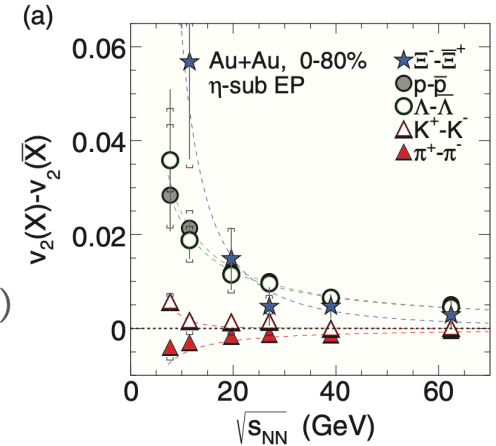
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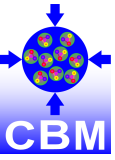


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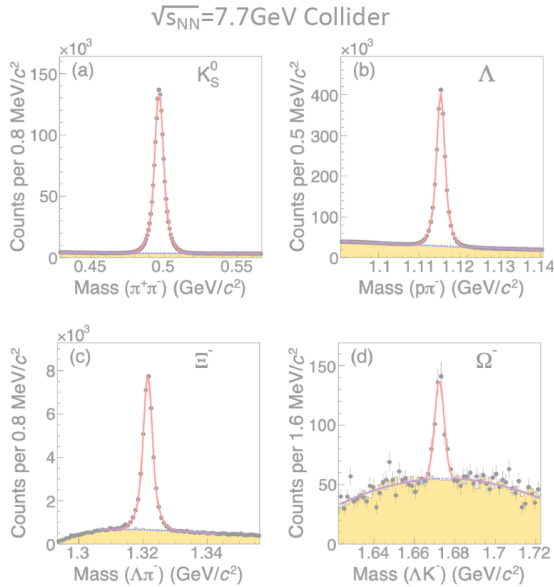
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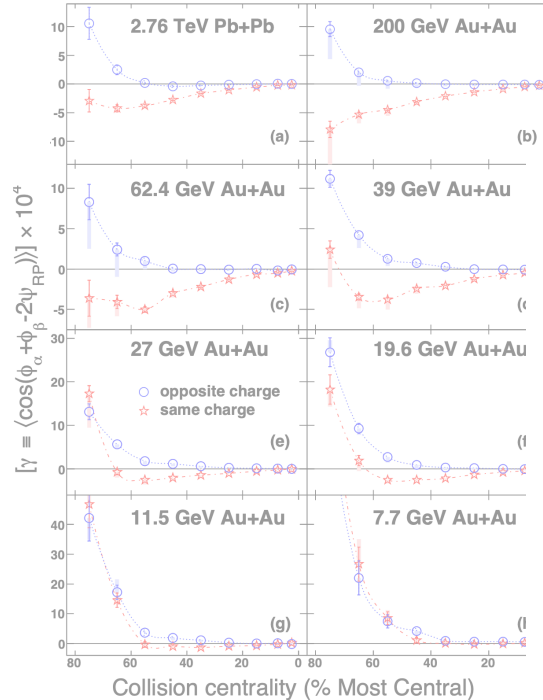


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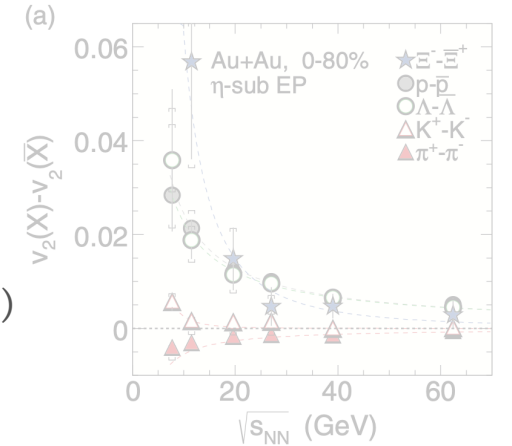
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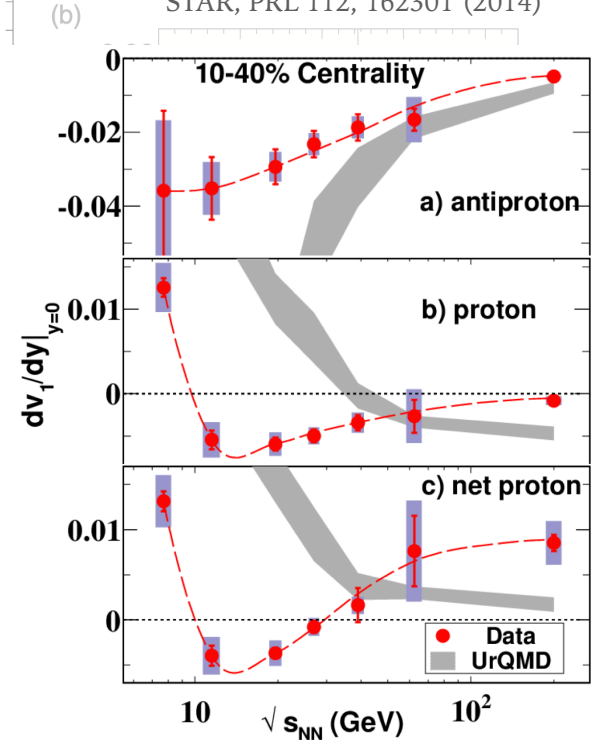
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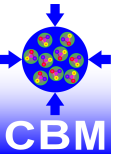
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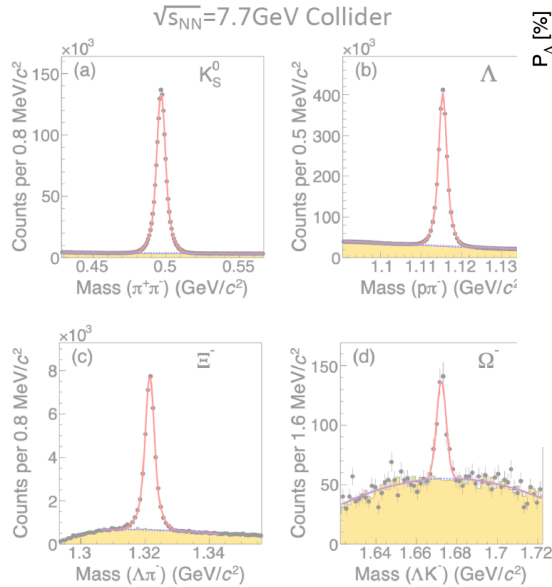


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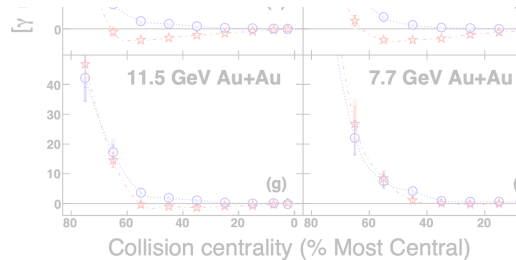
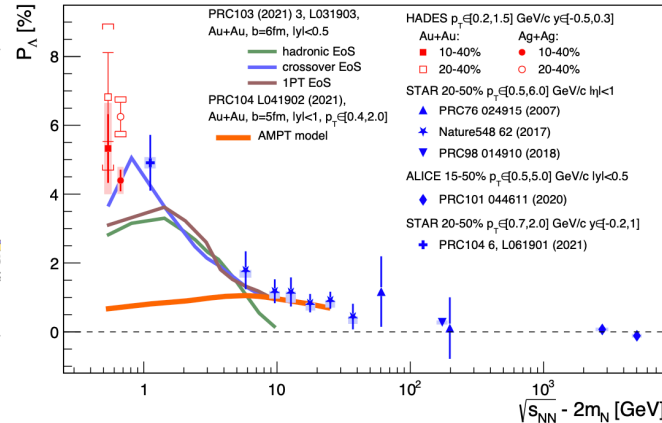


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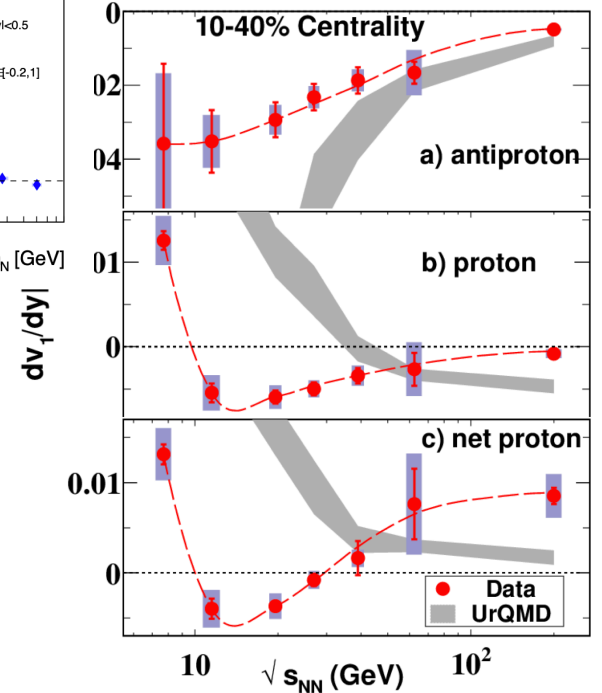
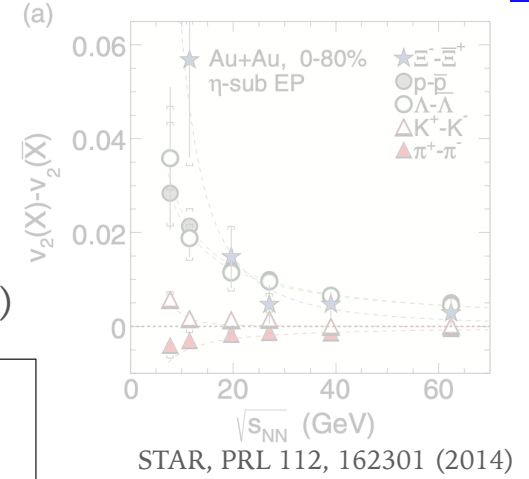
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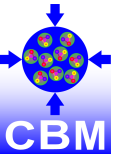


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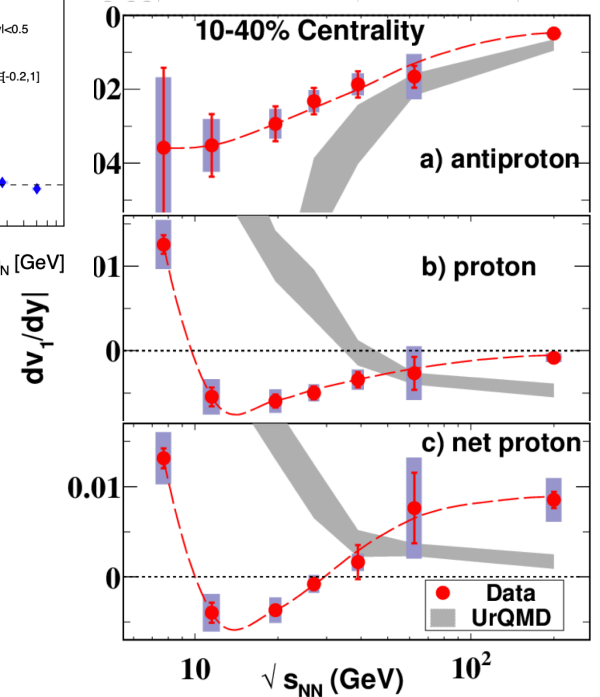
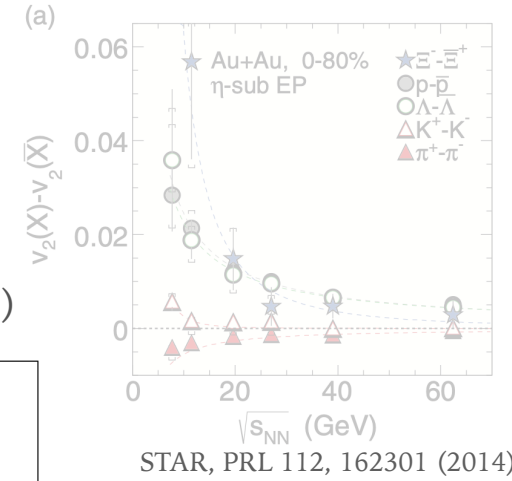
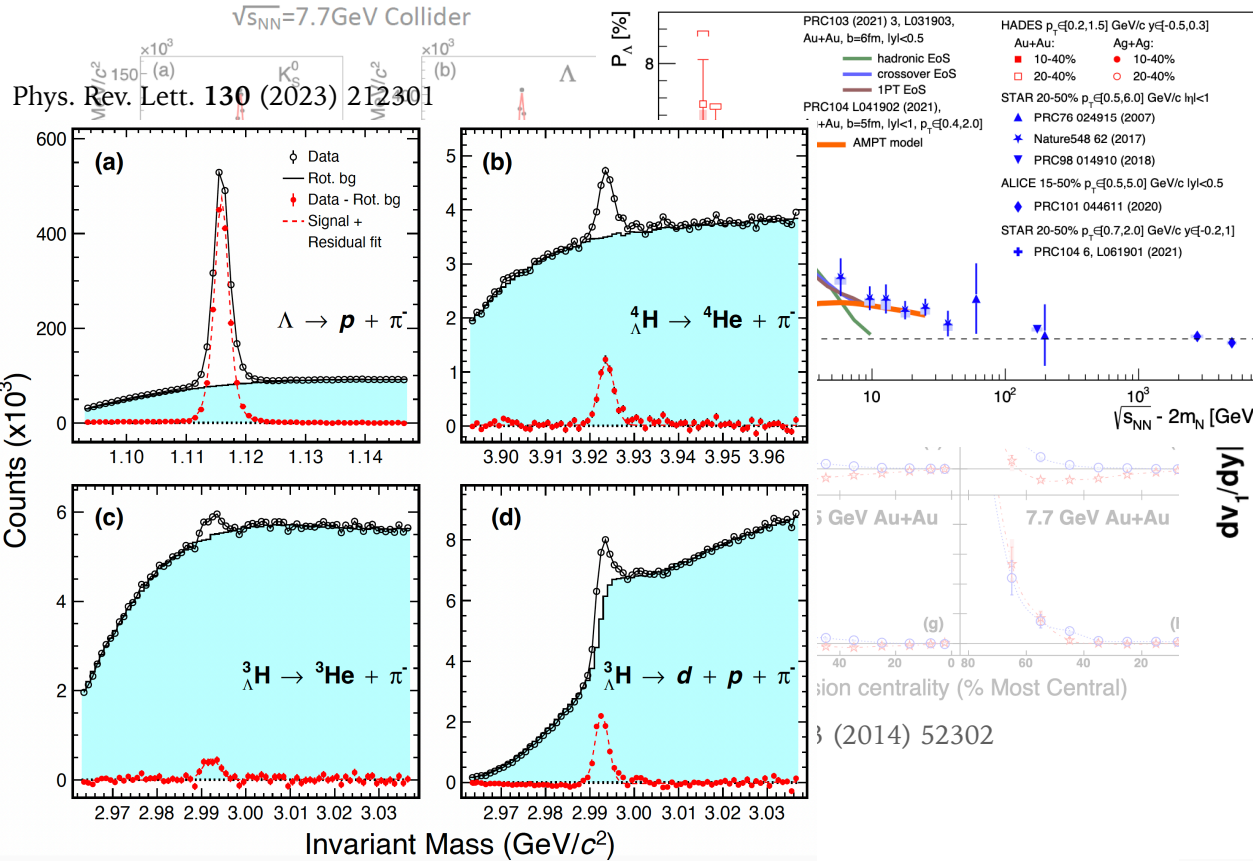


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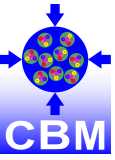


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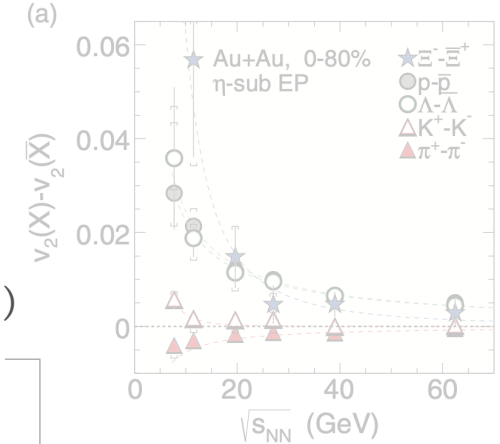
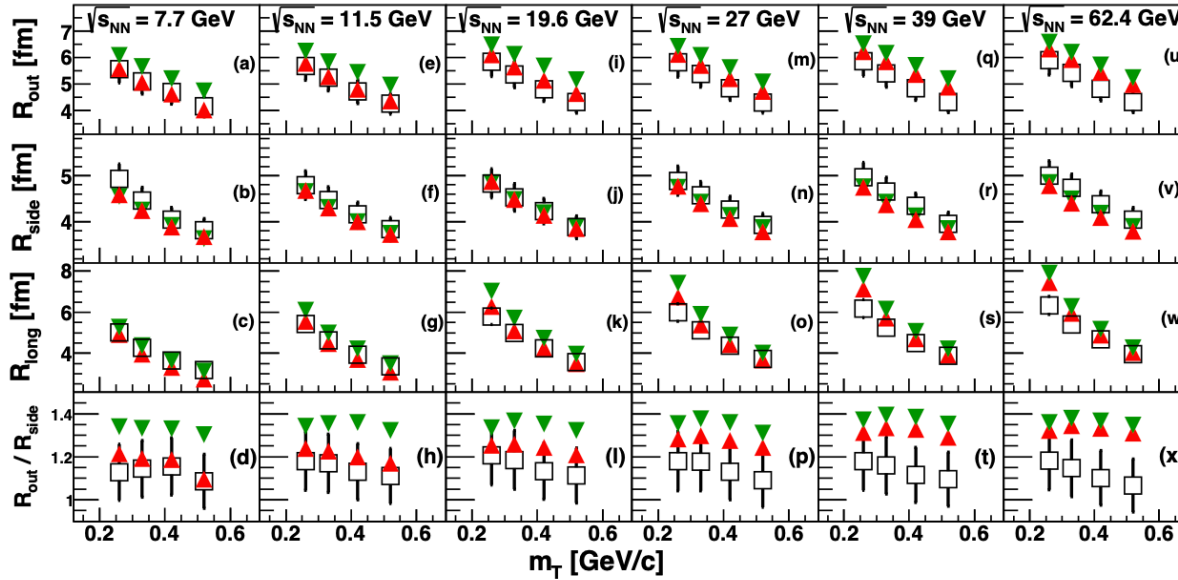
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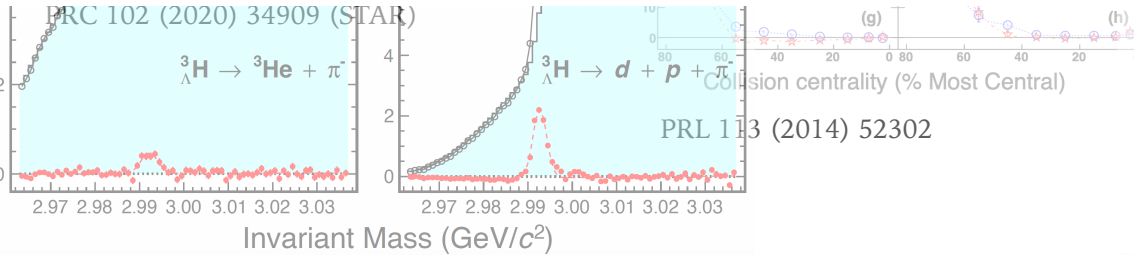
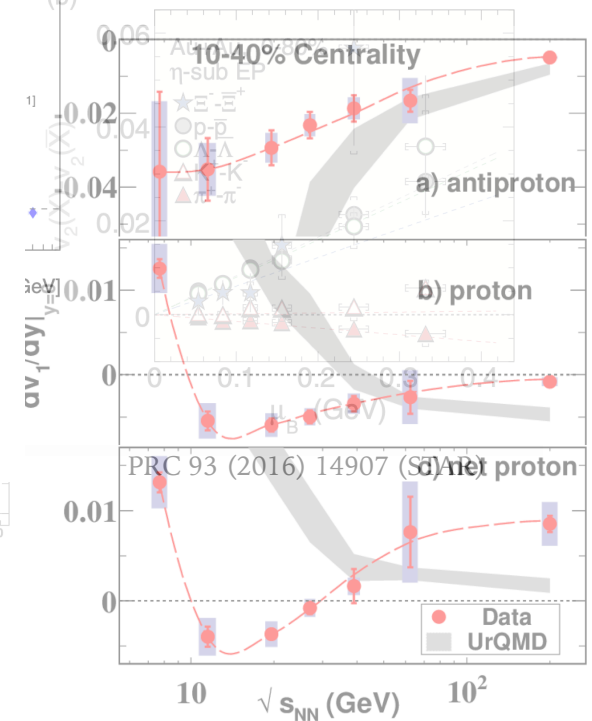
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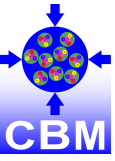
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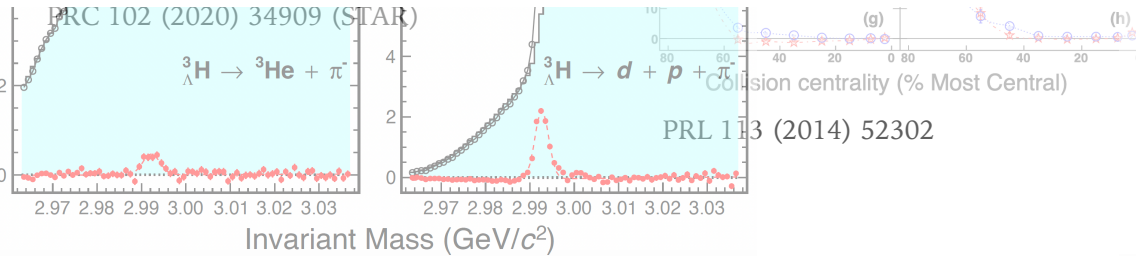
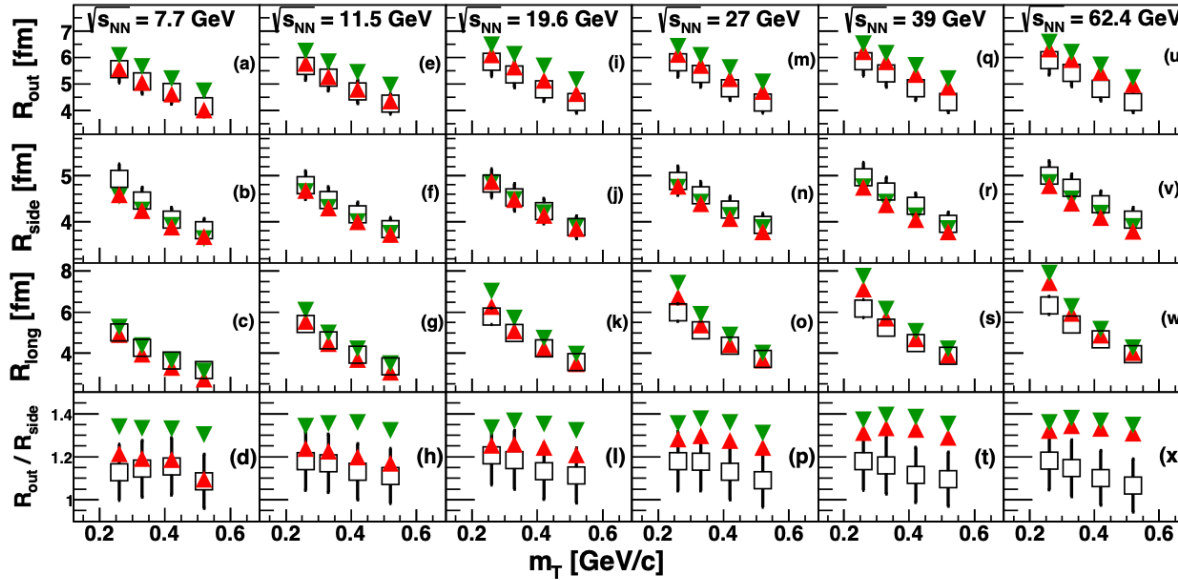
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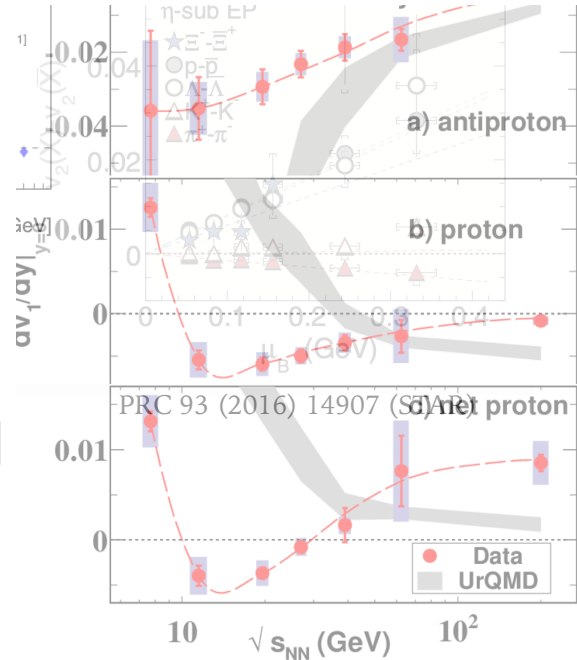
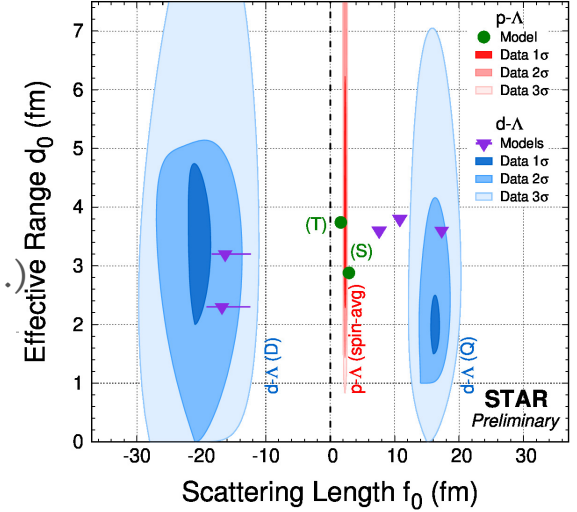
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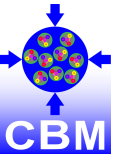
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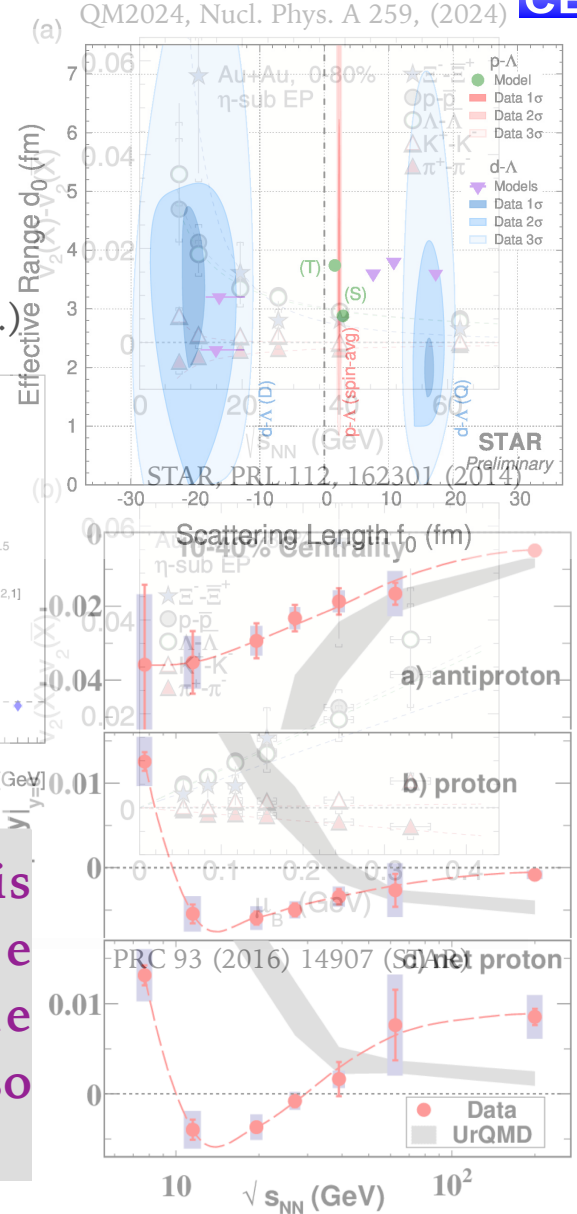
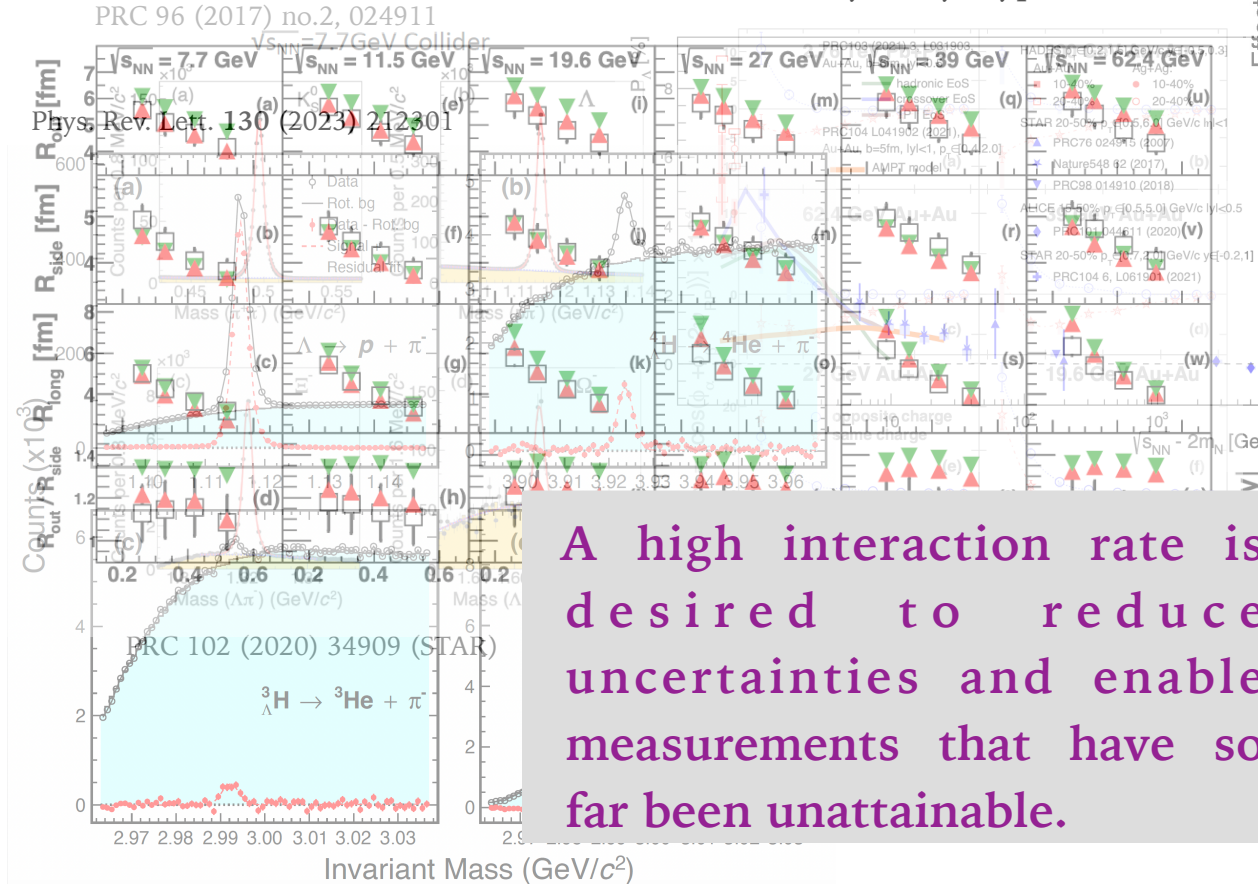


# EoS to probe NS properties



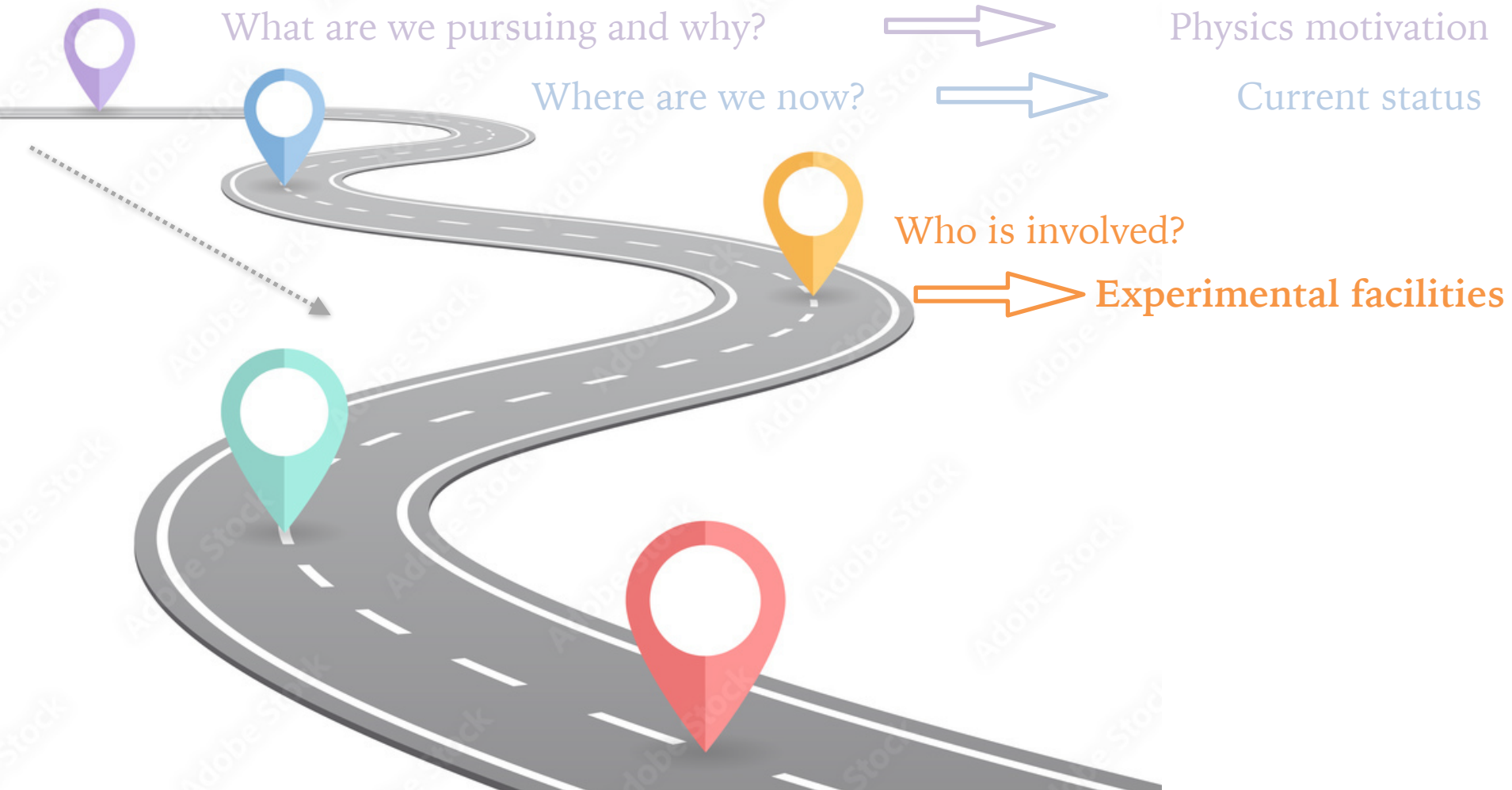
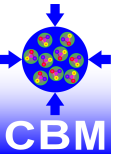
EoS investigations include vast number of measurements:

- Chemistry (strangeness, charm, hyper nuclei, ...)
- Collectivity
- Vorticity
- Fluctuations and correlations
- Interactions in the final states (NN, NY, YY, many-body, hyper-nuclei, ...)



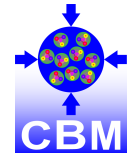


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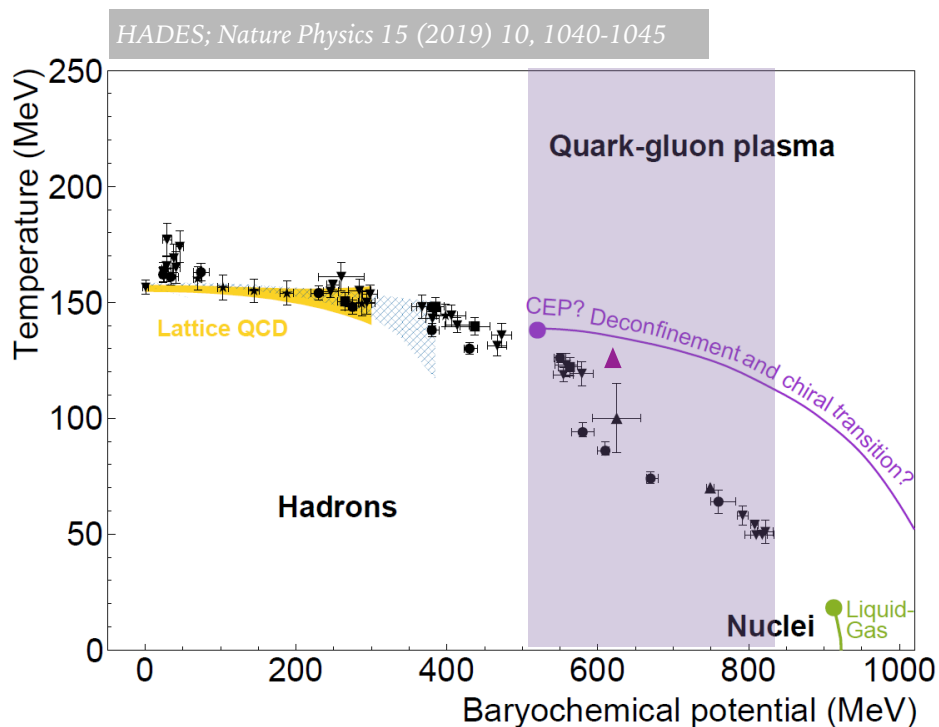




# Current coverage of the QCD phase diagram



CBM / HADES experimental exploration of the region  $\mu_B \sim 520 - 830 \text{ MeV}$



	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV)	$\mu_B$ (MeV)
HADES@SIS18	2-2.5	830-760
CBM@SIS100	2.3-5.3	785-520
NA61/SHINE@SPS	5.1-17.3	530-220
STAR-COLL@RHIC	7.7-200	400-22
STAR-FXT@RHIC	3-13.7	700-265

A. Andronic, P. Braun-Munzinger, K. Redlich and  
B. J. Stachel, *Nature* 561, no. 7723, 321 (2018)

Bazavov et al. [*HotQCD*], *PLB* 795 (2019) 15-21  
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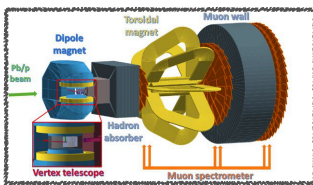
Fu et al., *PRD* 101 (2020), 054032  
 Gunkel, Fischer, *PRD* 104 (2021) 5, 054022

# High $\mu_B$ facilities

CBM / HADES@ SIS100 (>2028)

MPD, MB@N@NICA

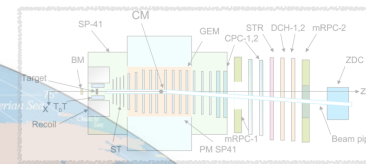
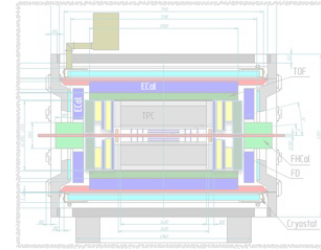
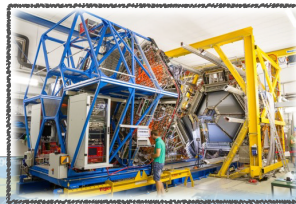
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NA61/SHINE@SPS



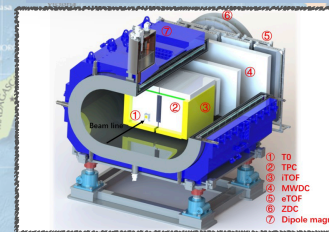
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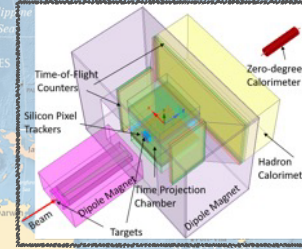
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CEE@HIAF (>2027)



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# High $\mu_B$ facilities

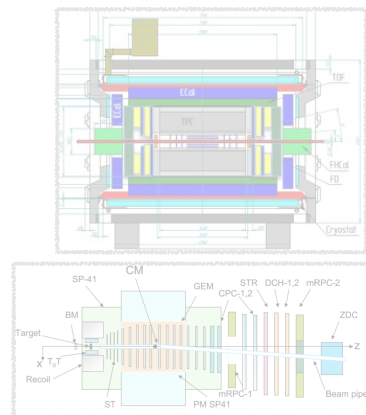
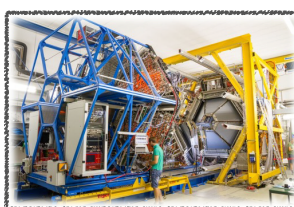
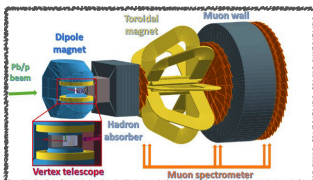
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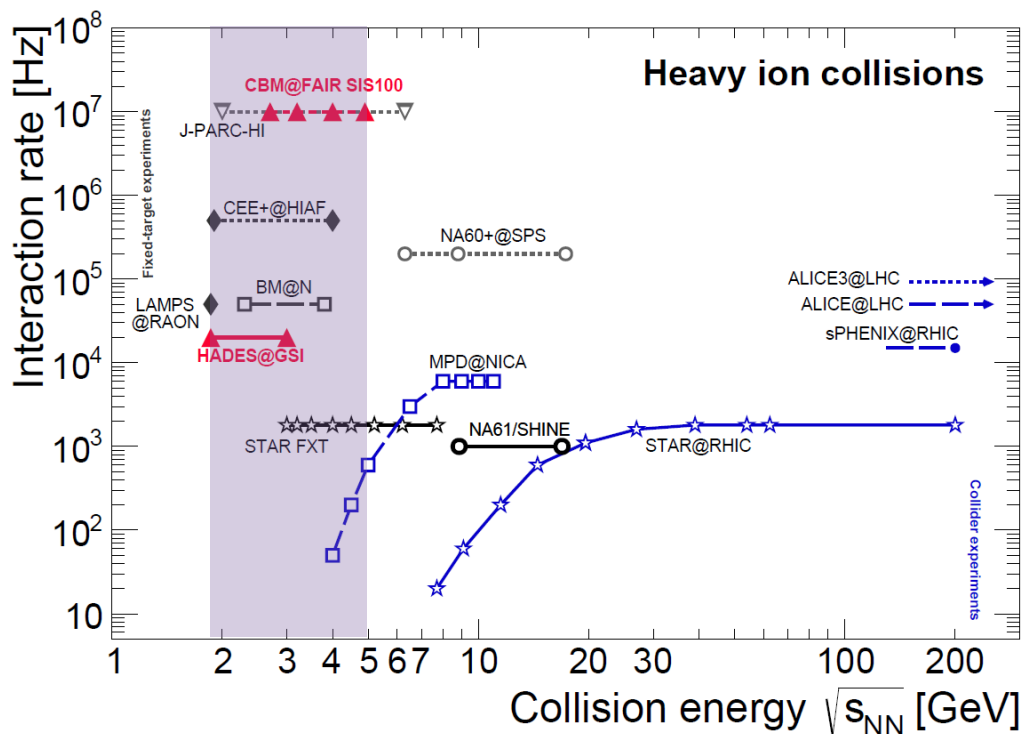
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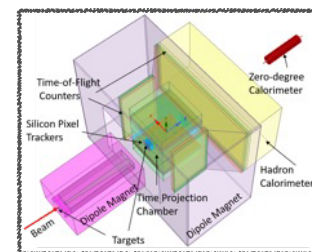


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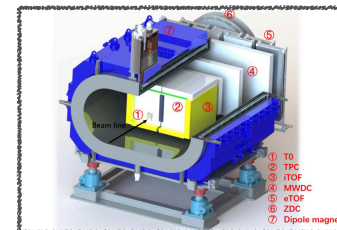


CBM / HADES:  
operations at  
 $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 2 - 5 \text{ GeV}$

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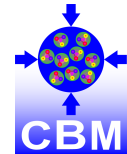


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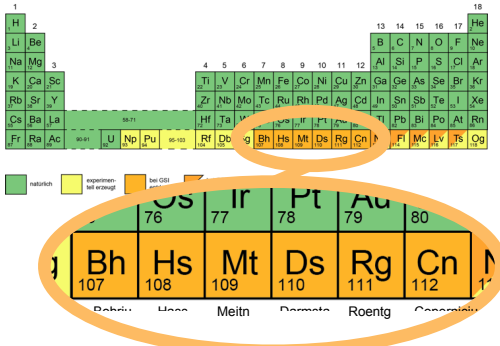
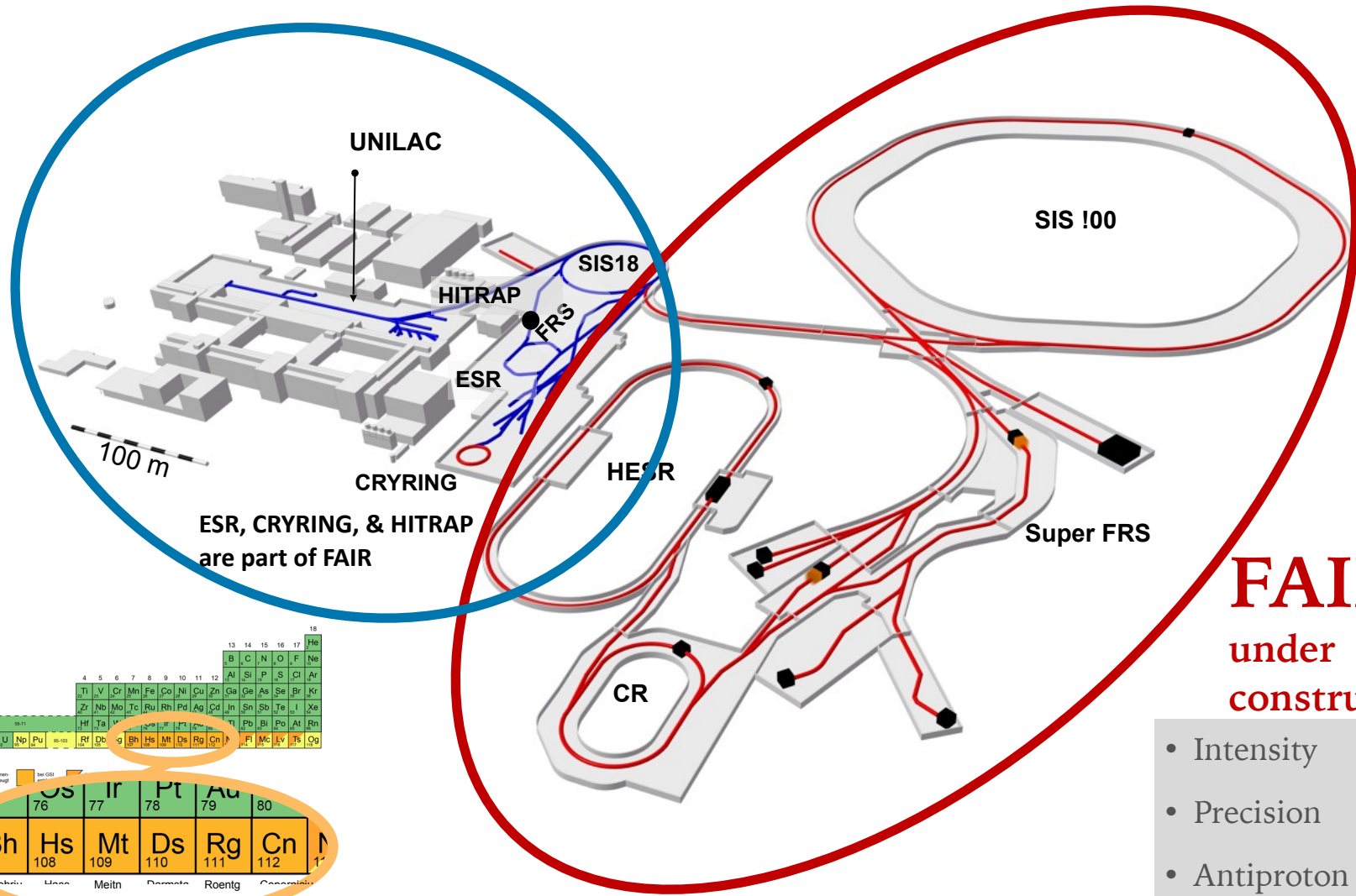
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CBM, EPJA 53 3 (2017) 60

# Road map





GSI, existing (upgraded to integrate with FAIR)

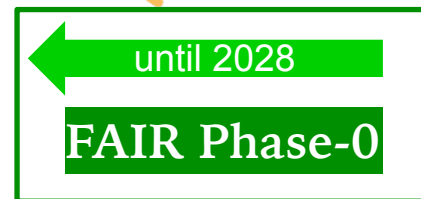
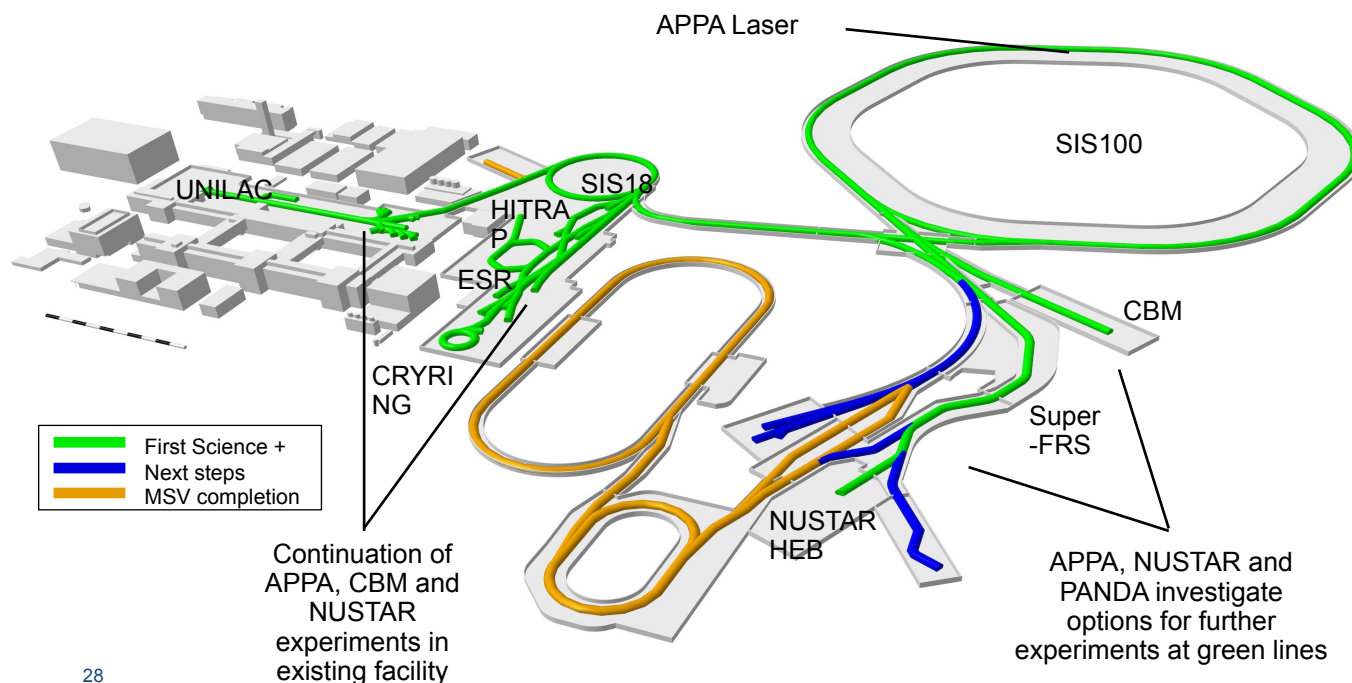


**FAIR,**  
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construction

- Intensity
- Precision
- Antiproton beams



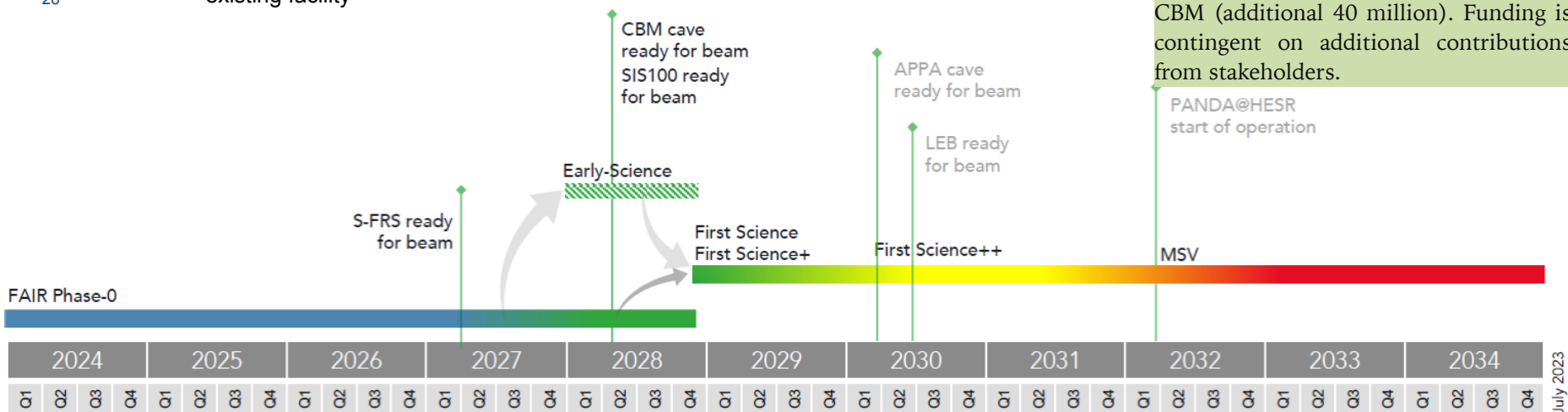
# Current prospects and timeline



Staged implementation recommended by the Heuer/Tribble Commission's report (2022) with the First Science stage endorsed by the FAIR Council as "the most appropriate starting scenario to achieve world-leading science."

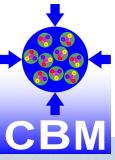
A budget of 2.8 billion Euros is available (including a new contribution of 0.58 billion from Germany), enabling the implementation of First Science without CBM (additional 40 million). Funding is contingent on additional contributions from stakeholders.

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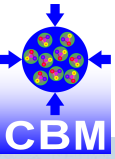


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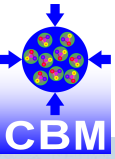
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April, 2024



CBM cave,  
February, 2024



# Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research



## NuPECC LRP2024 Executive Summary

### Introduction

#### *What does nuclear physics stand for?*

Nuclear physics is the study of the atomic nucleus, its constituents, structure, reactions and the properties of strongly interacting matter in its various forms. It is a key basic scientific field that investigates the properties of matter at the subatomic level. This domain of research affects not only our fundamental understanding of nature but also has many peaceful applications in all areas of modern life. Nuclear physics research originally started in Europe in the late 19th century. Now, in the 21st century, Europe is still at the forefront of nuclear physics research and applications. This leading European role is due to a rich and diverse landscape of research institutions and infrastructures in all European countries.

The present Long Range Plan for European nuclear physics summarises progress in the field in the last decade, provides an outlook on expected developments in the next decades, and presents recommendations for scientific institutions, policymakers, and research funding organisations.

[https://nupecc.org/lrp2024/Draft\\_Executive\\_Summary\\_LRP2024.pdf](https://nupecc.org/lrp2024/Draft_Executive_Summary_LRP2024.pdf)



## Recommendations for Nuclear Physics Infrastructures

The NuPECC Long Range Plan 2024 resulted in the following main recommendations for infrastructures of importance for nuclear physics:

- The first phase of the international **FAIR** facility is expected to be operational by 2028, facilitating experiments with SIS100 using the High-Energy Branch of the Super-FRS, the CBM cave and the current GSI facilities. Completing the full facility including the **APPA**, **CBM**, **NUSTAR** and **PANDA** programs will provide European science with world-class opportunities for decades and is highly recommended.














SIS100 magnets,  
April, 2024



CBM cave,  
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- FAIR governed by international convention
  - 9 shareholders:         
  - + 1 associated partner: 
  - + 1 aspirant partner: 
  - Over 3000 Scientists and Engineers from all over the world
- Scientists from More than 200 institutions from 53 countries (orange + blue)



## Poland's Participation and Contribution to the FAIR Project



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Poland holds a 2.3% share, is represented by Jagiellonian University, coordinating Polish in-kind contributions to FAIR, funded by the Ministry of National Education (approximately 23.7 million Euros in 2005).

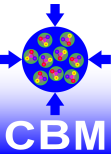
Over 95% of the funds allocated to in-kind contributions to research infrastructure and experiments at FAIR.

More at <https://fair.uj.edu.pl/>.

The National Consortium of Femtophysics comprises 12 Polish universities and research institutes (<https://fair.uj.edu.pl/konsorcjum>).

FAIR included in the roadmap of European and Polish research infrastructure.

# Compressed Baryonic Matter experiment



Fixed-target experiment → highest rates achievable

Versatile subsystems → tailored for the physics program

Silicon-based tracking → fast and precise

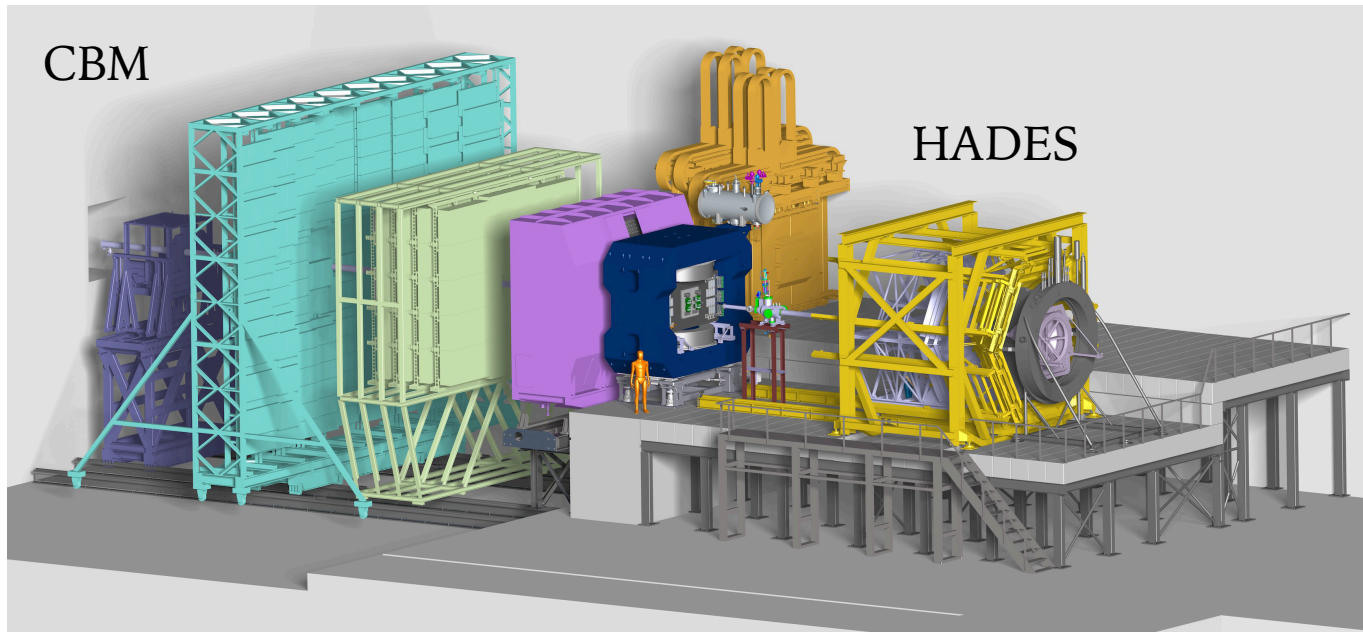
Free-streaming front-end-electronics (FEE) → minimal dead-time while data acquisition

Online event selection → advanced data taking focused on customized needs

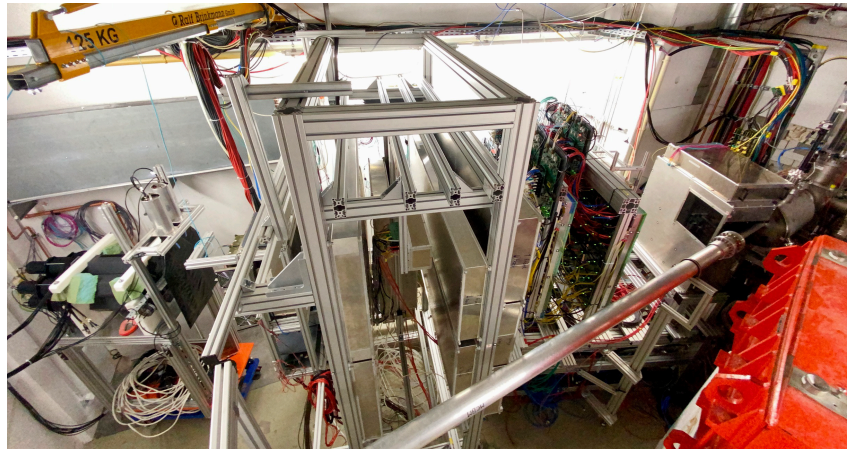
First beams in 2028/2029

**Years 1-3:** first energy scan, improved statistical uncertainties of factor 10 with respect to STAR

**Years 4-8:** high-statistics measurements: di-lepton IMR, ultra-rare probes



315 full members from  
10 countries  
47 full member  
institutions  
10 associated member  
institutions



Campaign 2024:

high-rate studies

online reconstruction  
and selection

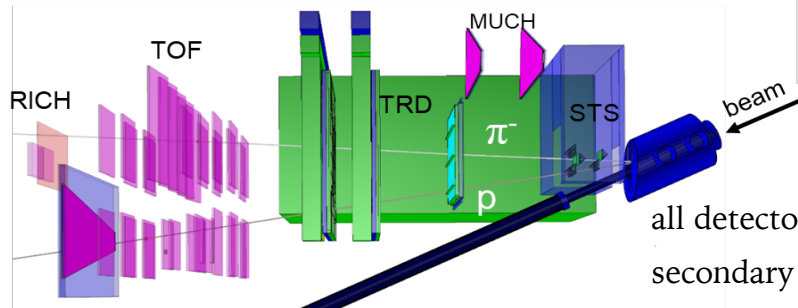
$\Lambda$  baryons in Ni+Ni at  
1.0 - 1.93 AGeV

Free-streaming CBM data transport

Pre-series productions of all CBM detector systems

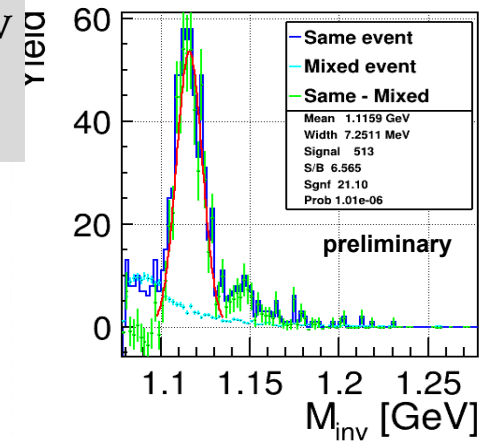
High-rate studies up to 10 MHz coll. rate in A+A collisions

Rare signal reconstructed:  $\Lambda \rightarrow p \pi^-$

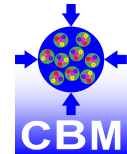


Ni+Ni 1.93 AGeV  
run 2391 (May '22):  
10<sup>9</sup> collisions, 1:57h  
400 kHz av. coll. rate

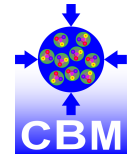
all detector systems involved  
secondary vertex  
velocity windows for p and  $\pi^-$   
candidate



# Road map

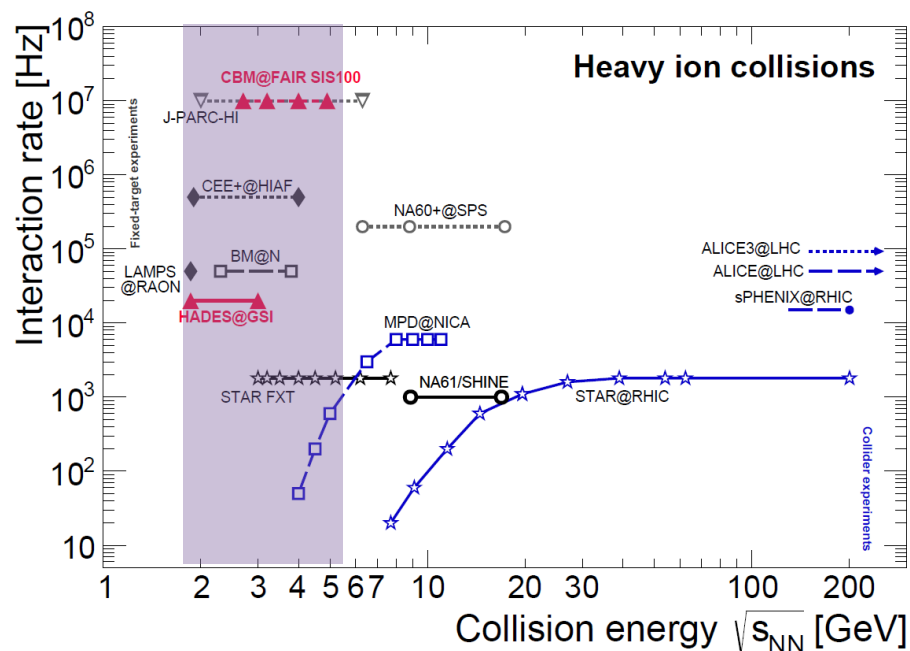


# Key observables

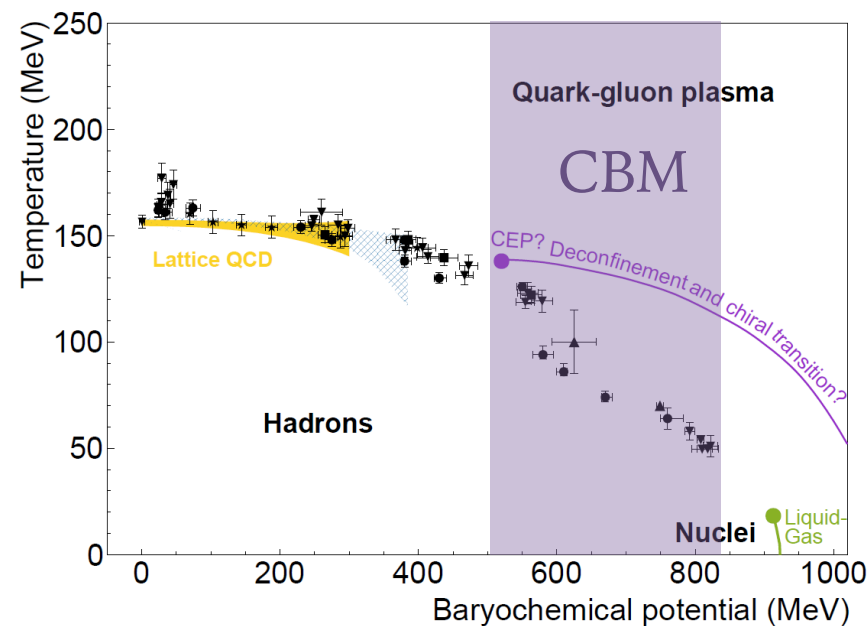


## Systematic measurements:

- **Fluctuations:** System alteration through first-order phase transition, critical point
- **Dileptons** : Emissivity: system's lifetime, temperature, density, in-medium characteristics
- **Hadrons (Strangeness, Charm, Hyper-nuclei, Bound states):** EOS: vorticity, collectivity, correlations: NN, YN, YY, multi-body interactions



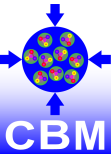
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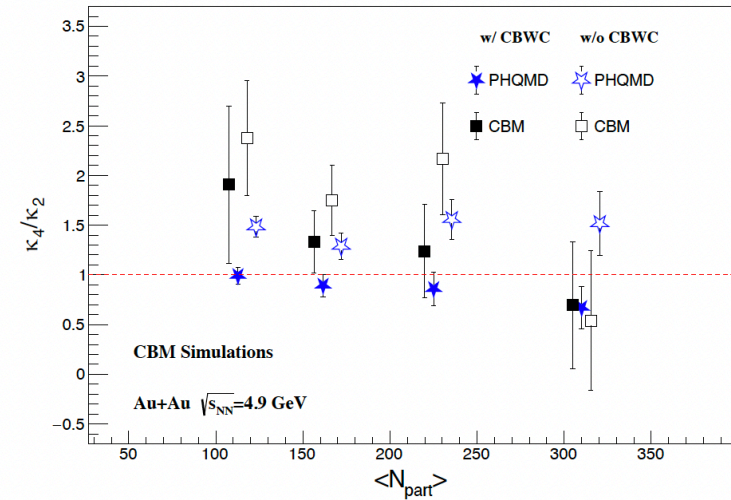
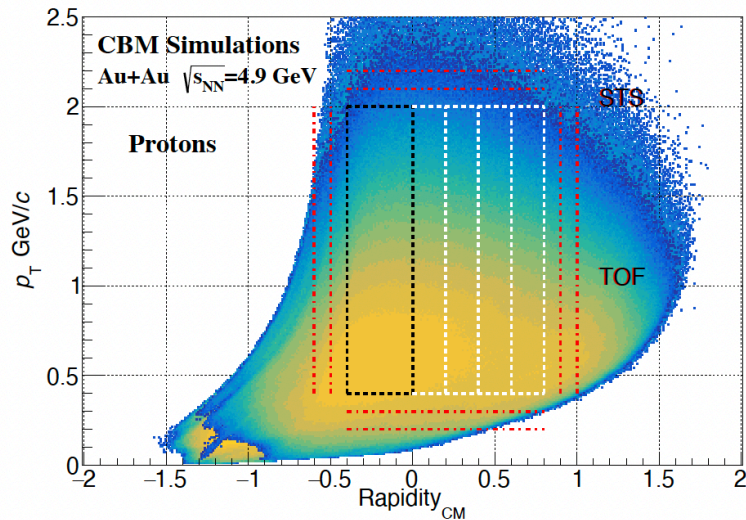


# Fluctuations



Corrections for volume fluctuations and conservation laws

- Event-by-event changes of efficiency
- Proper selection of  $y - p_T$  interval
- (Net-)baryons vs. protons, neutrons, nuclei



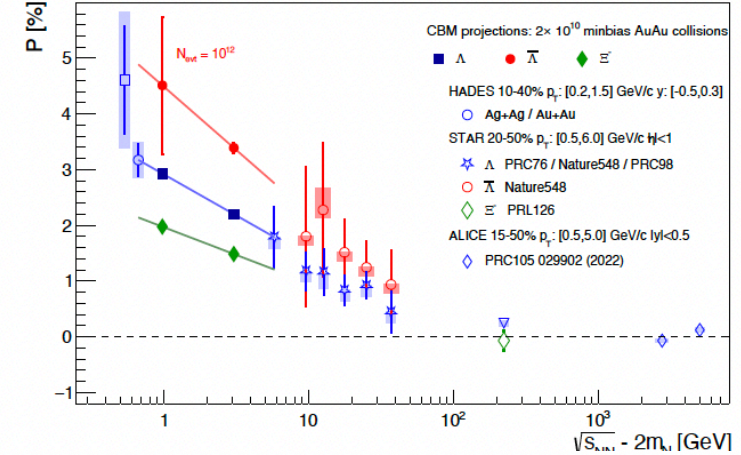
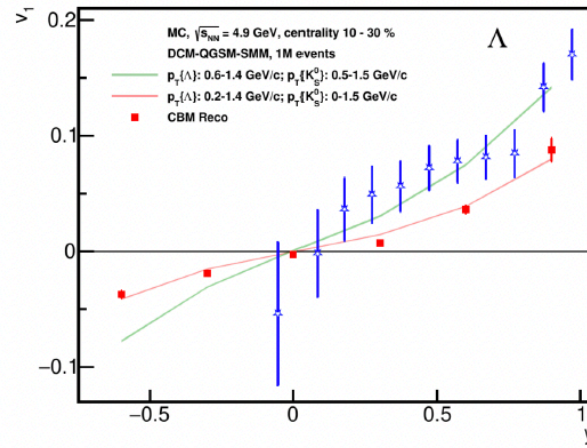
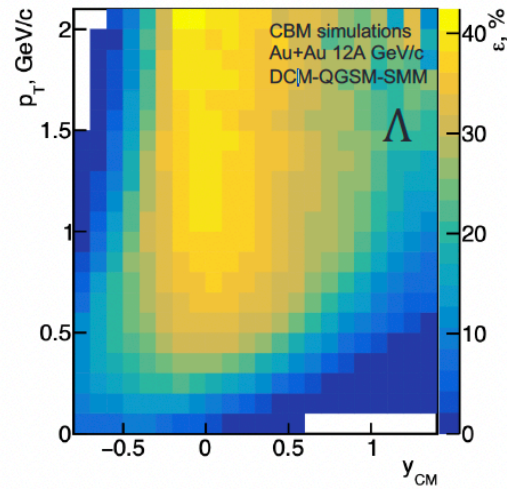
Expectations after  $\sim 3$  years of running

- Full coverage of  $\kappa_4(E)$  for protons
- First results of  $\kappa_6$
- Possible addition of strangeness:  $\kappa_4(\Lambda)$

Gives access to to the fireball lifetime and electrical conductivity (transport properties)

Figure 10 displays four panels showing the invariant mass distribution of electron-positron pairs ( $M_{ee}$ ) for different collision energies. The y-axis represents the normalized invariant mass distribution,  $1/N_{ev} dN/dM_{ee} (\text{GeV}/c^2)^{-1}$ , and the x-axis represents the invariant mass  $M_{ee} (\text{GeV}/c^2)$ . The panels correspond to collision energies of 4.9 GeV, 4.1 GeV, 3.2 GeV, and 2.9 GeV. The data points are shown as black circles with error bars, representing the  $2 \times 10^{10}$  ev 'measured' data. Theoretical curves are shown for thermal radiation (black line), Rapp in-medium SF (red line), and Rapp QGP (yellow line). The y-axis scale for each panel is:  $1.4 \times 10^6$ ,  $1.1 \times 10^6$ ,  $1.1 \times 10^5$ , and  $4.9 \times 10^5$  raw pairs respectively.

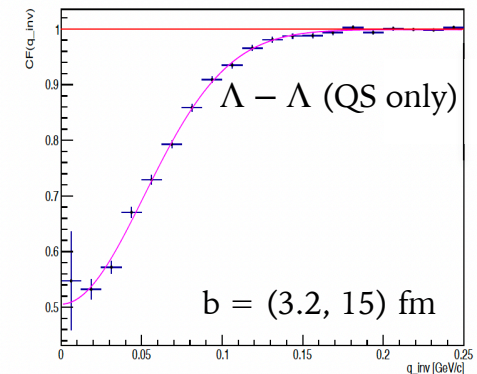
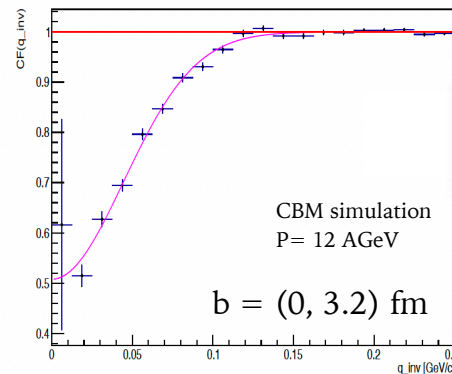
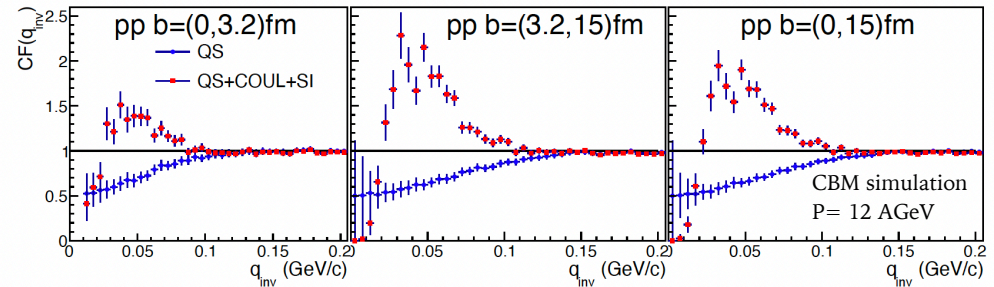
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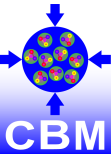
Excellent acceptance coverage

Reconstruction efficiency  $\sim 30\%$

- Precise measurements of flow for  $S=1, 2, 3$
- Polarization measurement with precision of  $\sim 5\%$
- Thorough multi body N and Y correlations of  $S=1, 2, 3$  achievable

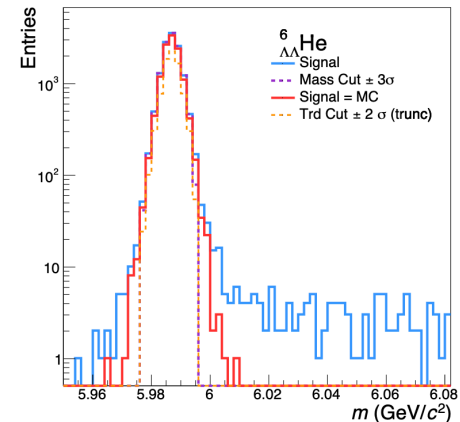
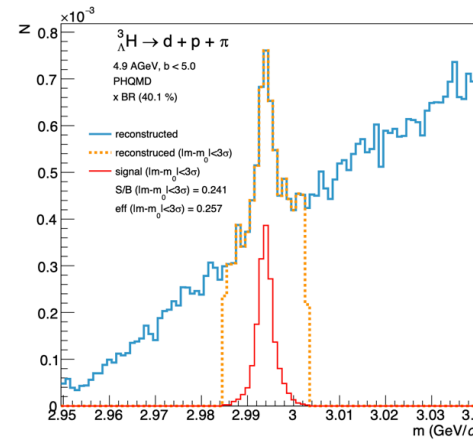
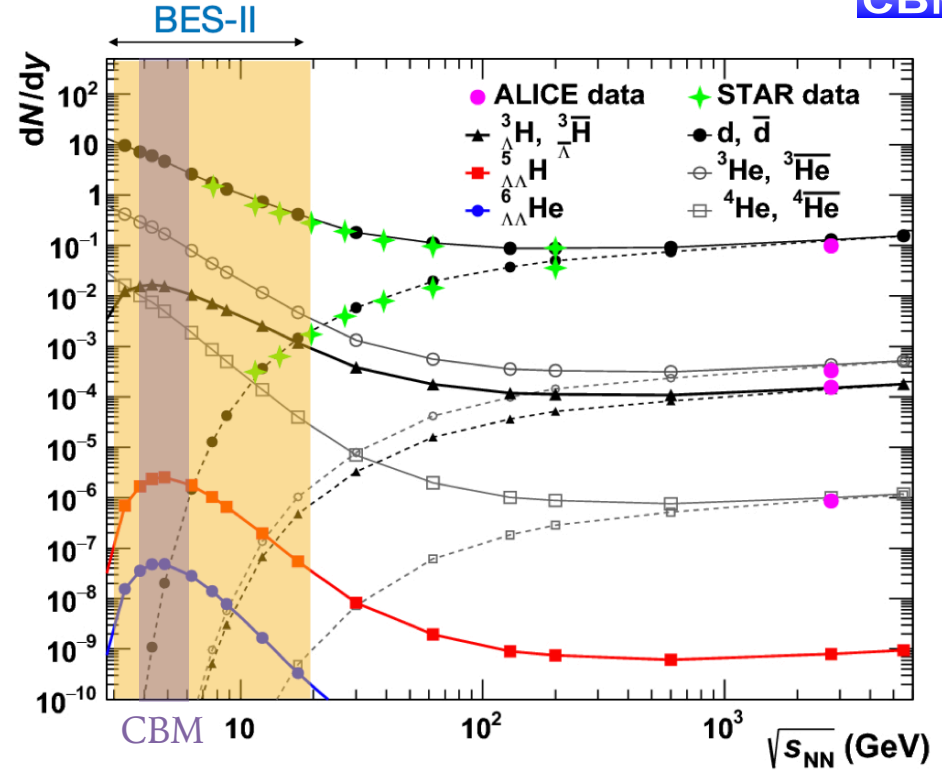
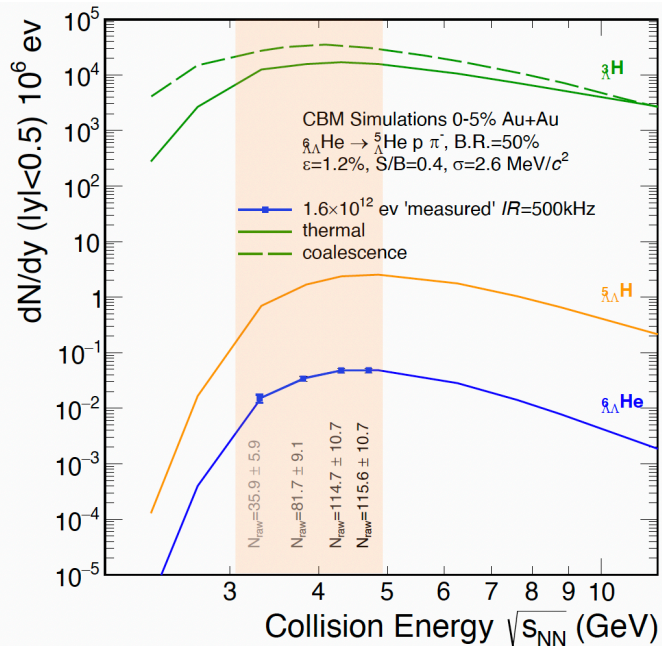


# Interactions: hyper-nuclei, bound-states



The most abundant production of hyper-nuclei anticipated at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 2 - 5$  GeV

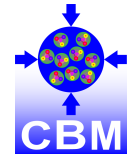
Prominent interaction rates and excellent particle identification will facilitate to search for multi-strange hyper-nuclei



Andronic et al., PLB 697 (2011)  
Steinheimer et al., PLB 714 (2012)

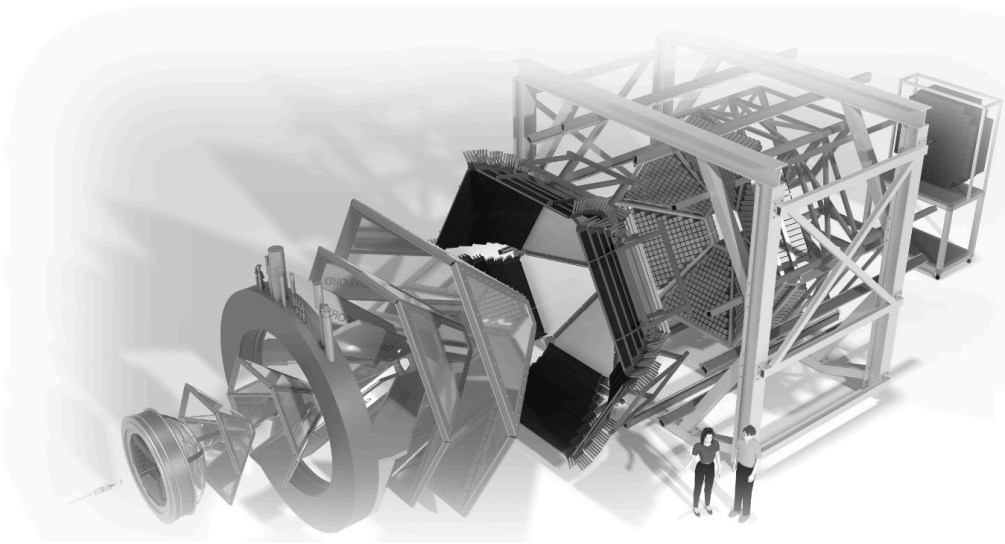


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HADES FAIR Phase-0 program





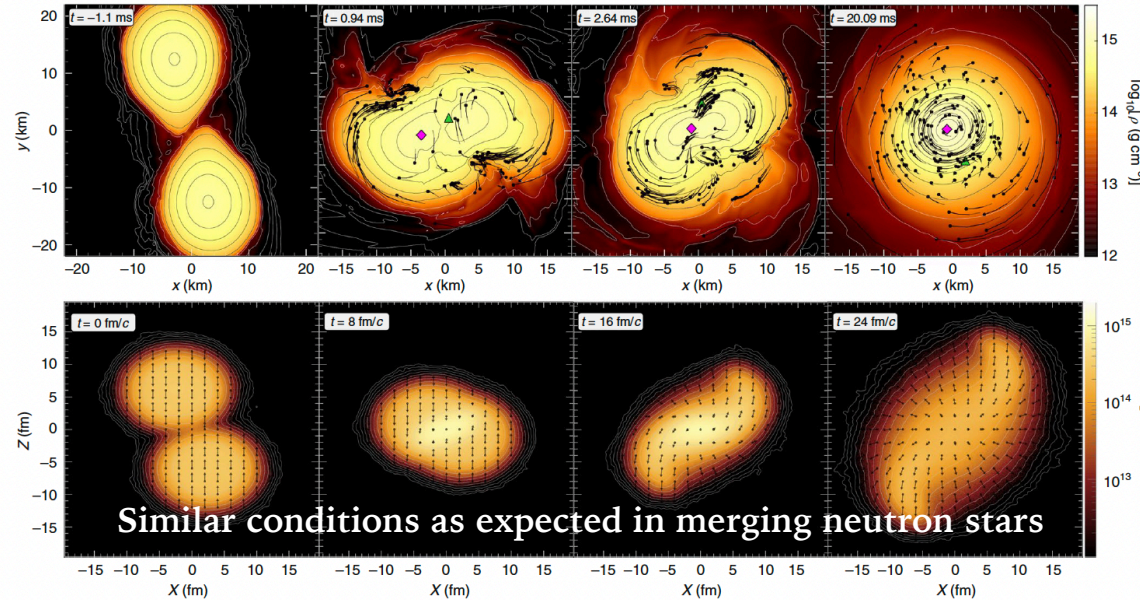
# Physics goals and HADES detector

# HADES physics goals

## Heavy-ion collisions at

$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$  up to 2.7 GeV

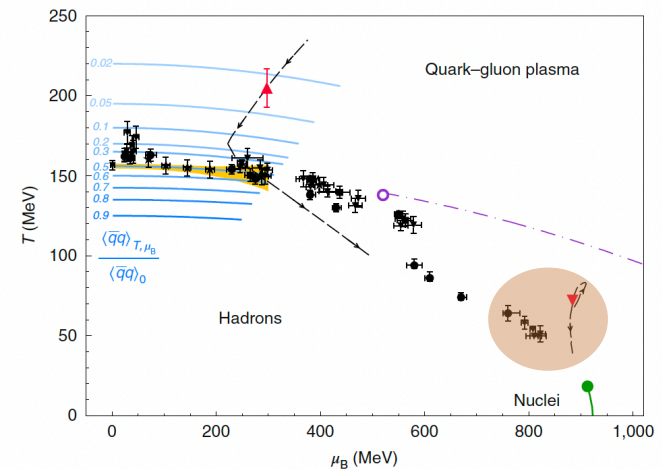
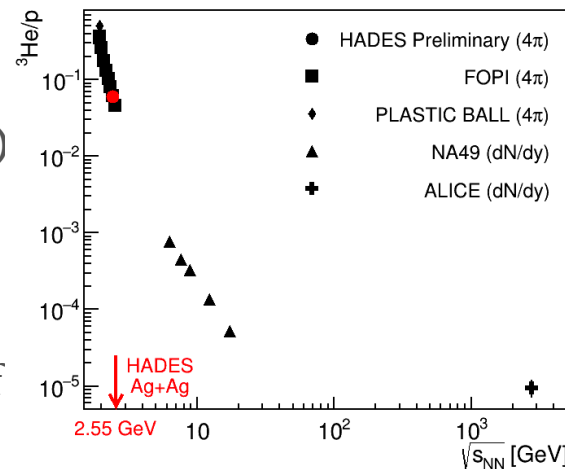
- Microscopic properties of baryon dominated matter
- EoS observables



HADES, *Nature Phys.* 15, 1040–1045 (2019)

$\pi^-$  ( $\sqrt{s}$  up to 2.35 GeV) and nucleon ( $\sqrt{s}$  up to 3.46 GeV) beams:

- Reference measurements (vacuum, cold QCD matter)
- Electromagnetic structure of baryons and hyperons



# High Acceptance Di-Electron Spectrometer

Fixed target experiment at **SIS-18** accelerator (GSI, Germany)

Magnet spectrometer

Low mass Mini-Drift-Chambers (MDCs)

Time of flight walls: RPC and TOF

RICH and ECAL for  $e^+/e^-$  and photon identification

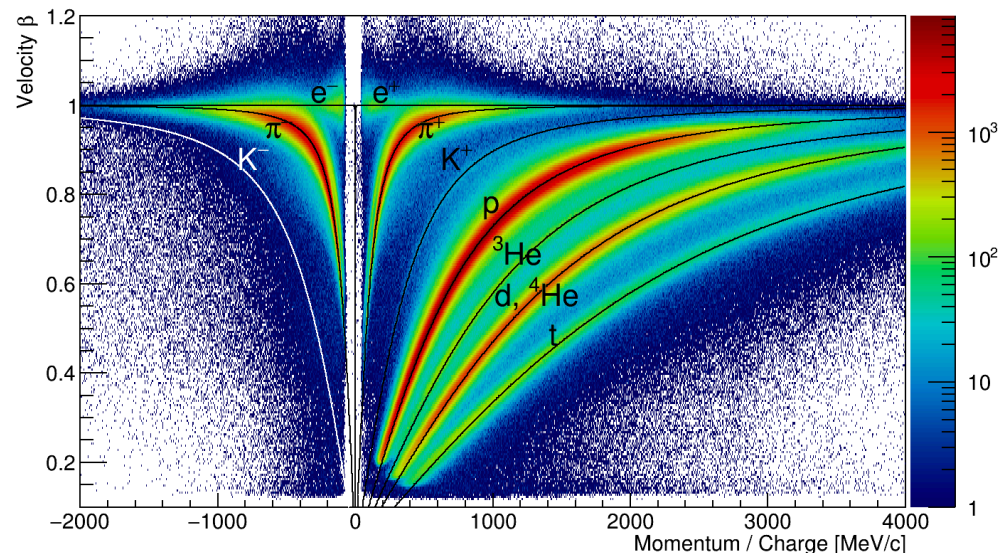
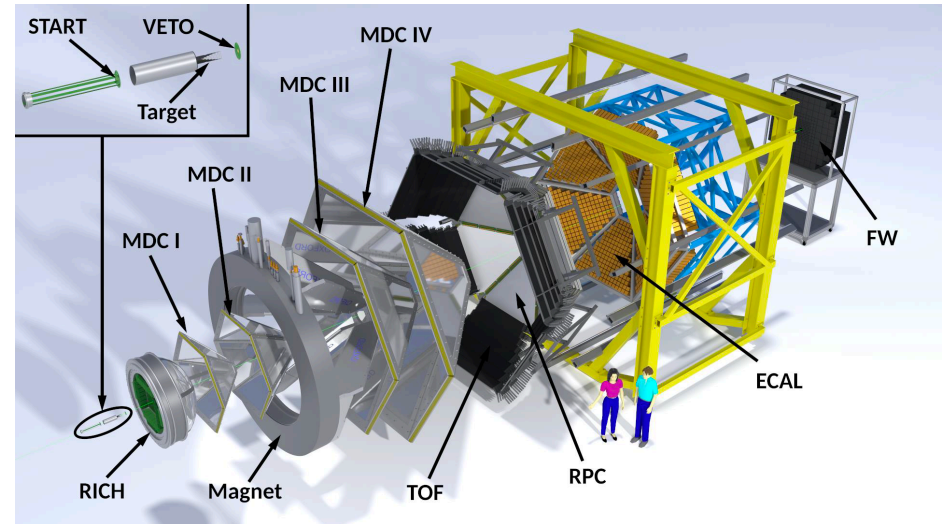
Full azimuthal angle and polar angles between  $18^\circ$  and  $85^\circ$  covered

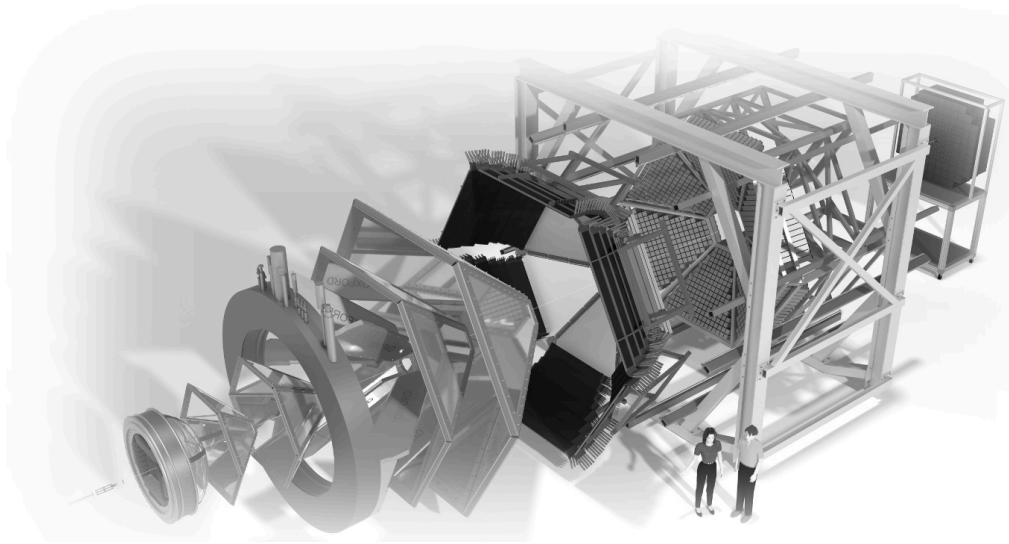
2012: Au+Au,  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42$  GeV (7 billion)

2019: Ag+Ag,  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.55$  GeV

and 2.42 GeV (14 billion)

2024: Au+Au,  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.24$  GeV (1.8 billion)





# Hadrons



# E-by-e fluctuations

Looking for signatures of phase transition

Higher order moments of particle yields from

derivates of partition function  $Z$  w.r.t  $\mu_B$  *P. Braun-Munzinger, K. Redlich, A. Rustamov, J. Stachel, JHEP 08 (2024) 113*

$$\langle N \rangle = \frac{\partial \ln(Z)}{\partial (\frac{\mu}{T})}$$

$$\langle N^2 \rangle - \langle N \rangle^2 = \frac{\partial^2 \ln(Z)}{\partial (\frac{\mu}{T})^2}$$

Cumulants:

$$\kappa_1 = \mu$$

$$\kappa_2 = \sigma^2$$

$$\kappa_3 = \langle N^3 \rangle - 3\langle N^2 \rangle \langle N \rangle + 2\langle N \rangle^3$$

$$\kappa_4 = \langle N^4 \rangle - 4\langle N^3 \rangle \langle N \rangle - 3\langle N^2 \rangle^2 + 12\langle N^2 \rangle \langle N \rangle^2 - 6\langle N \rangle^4$$

$$\text{Skewness} = \frac{\kappa_3}{\sigma^3}$$

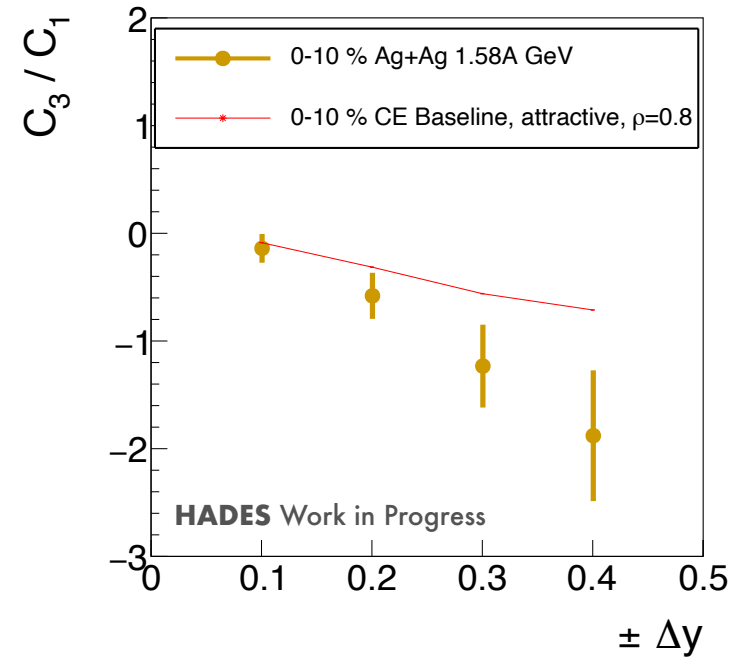
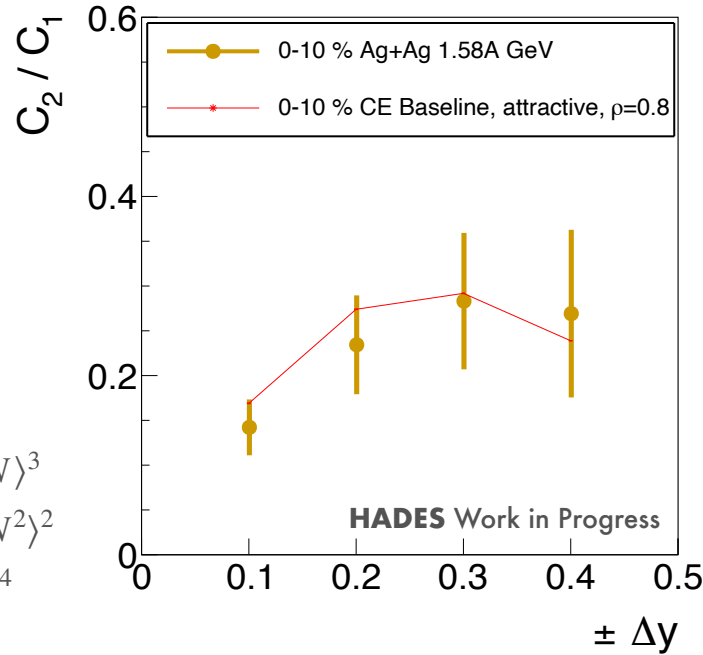
$$\text{Kurtosis} = \frac{\kappa_4}{\sigma^4}$$

Factorial cumulants:

$$C_2 = \kappa_2 - \kappa_1$$

$$C_3 = \kappa_3 - 3\kappa_2 + 2\kappa_1$$

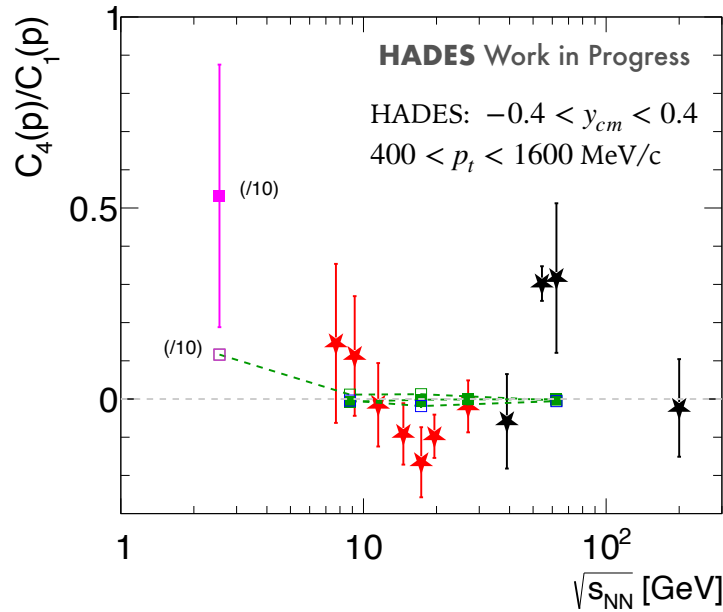
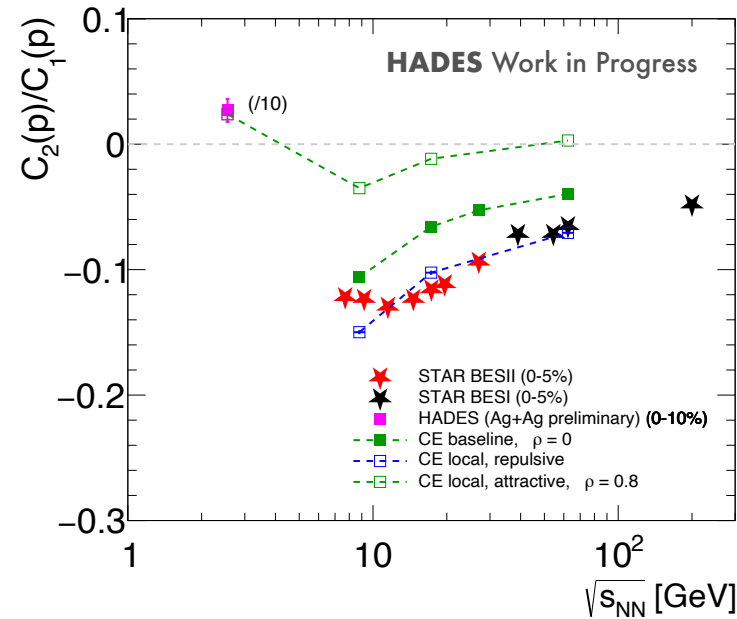
$$C_4 = \kappa_4 - 6\kappa_3 + 11\kappa_2 - 6\kappa_1$$



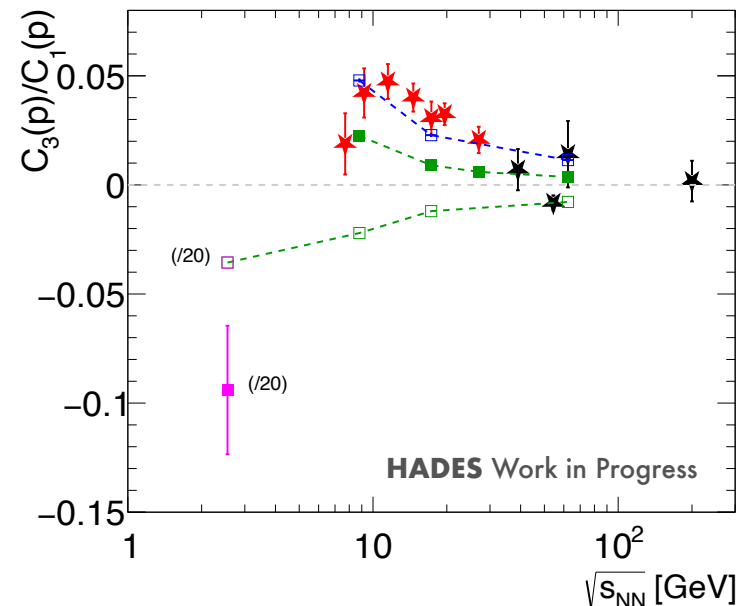
Trend of rapidity dependence of factorial cumulant ratios described by Canonical baseline considering correlations and attractive potential



# Proton factorial cumulants



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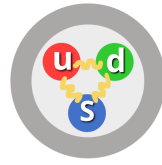


Larger factorial cumulant ratios at **HADES** compared to STAR

$C_3/C_1$  and  $C_4/C_1$  HADES continues trend observed at STAR towards lower  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$

The interplay of repulsive and attractive forces between protons explains the systematic trends observed in the STAR BESII and **HADES** data

# Interactions

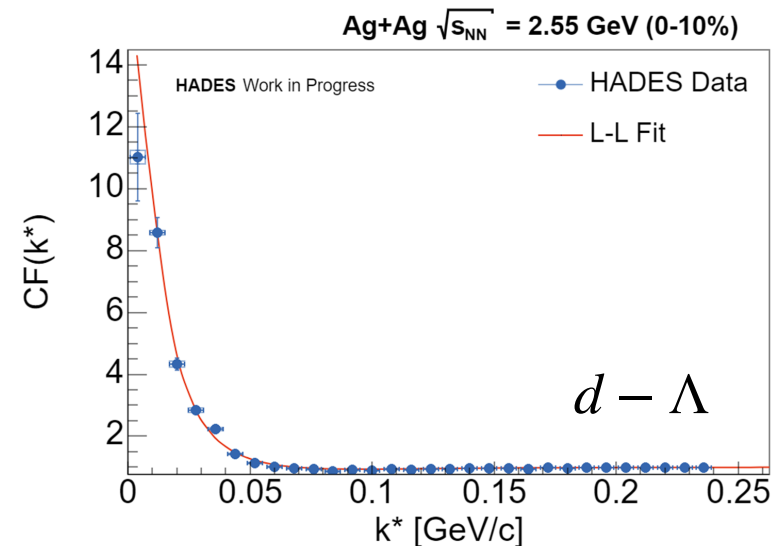
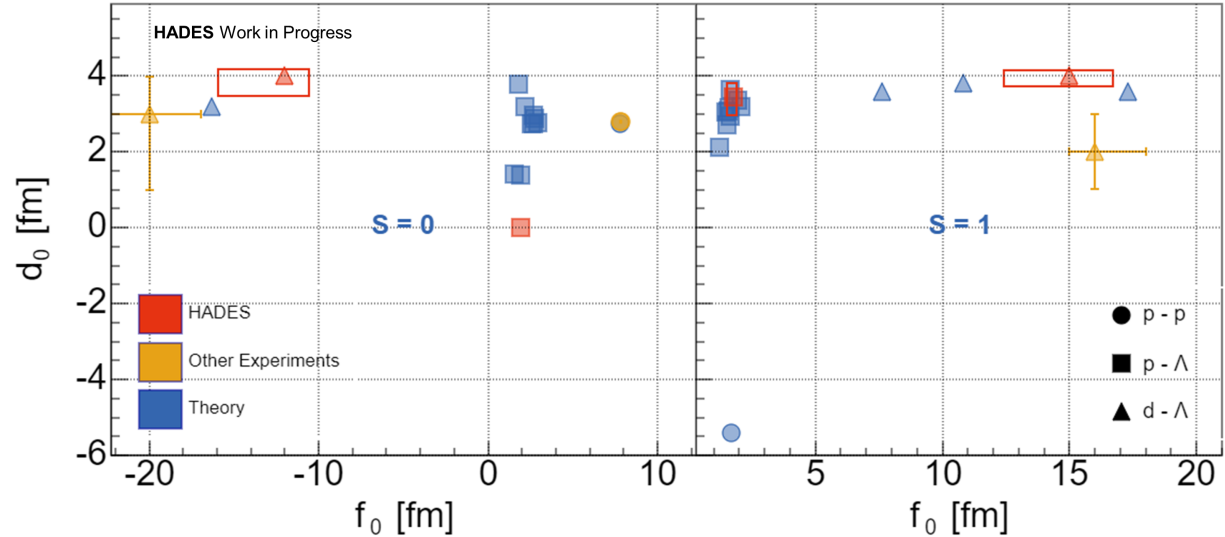


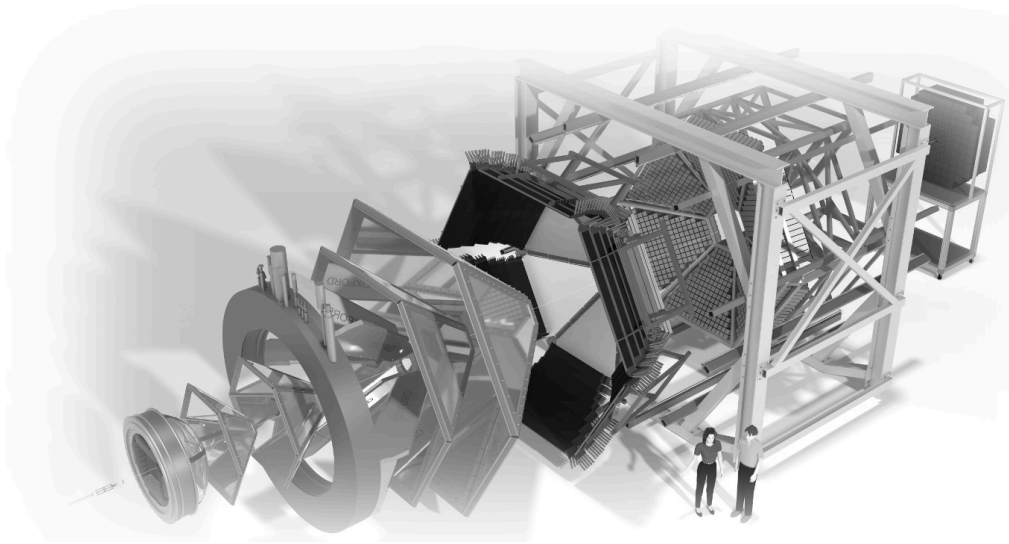
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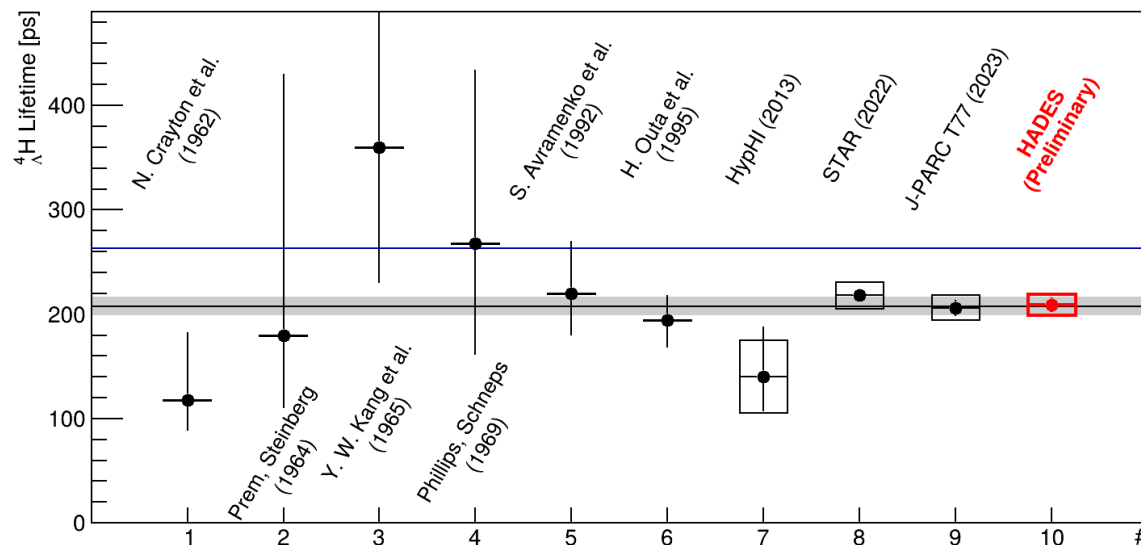
- Nucleons essentially stopped in collision zone
- HADES around the S production threshold
- Presence of Y in NS
- Impact of Y to EoS
- Modest of NN, NY, and YY interaction measurements
- Scattering length ( $f_0^S$ ) and effective range ( $d_0^S$ ) of p - p, p -  $\Lambda$ , and d -  $\Lambda$  interaction estimated
- Inline with the world data





# Strangeness

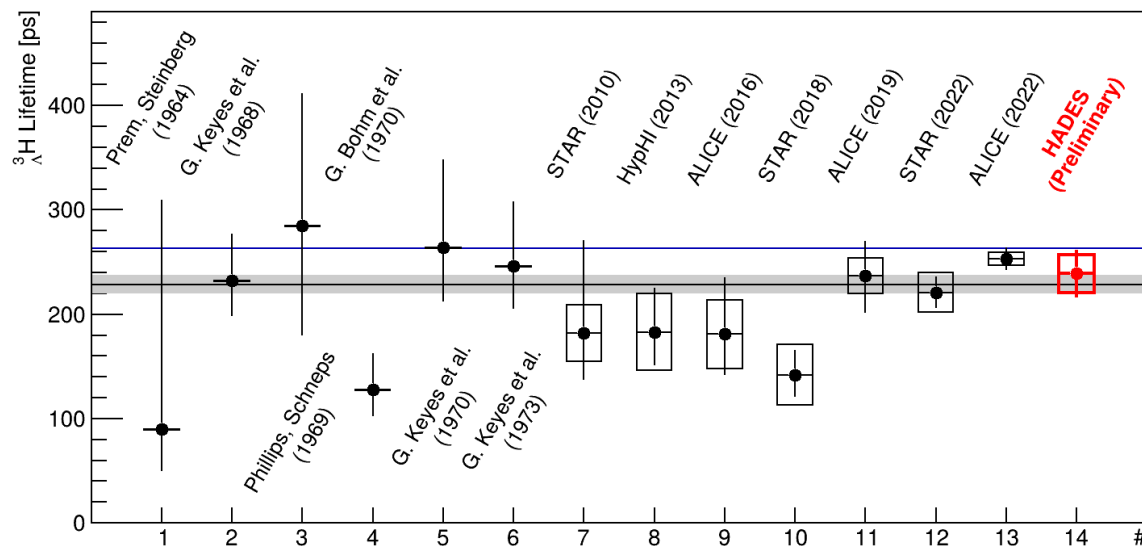
# Hypernuclei - lifetime

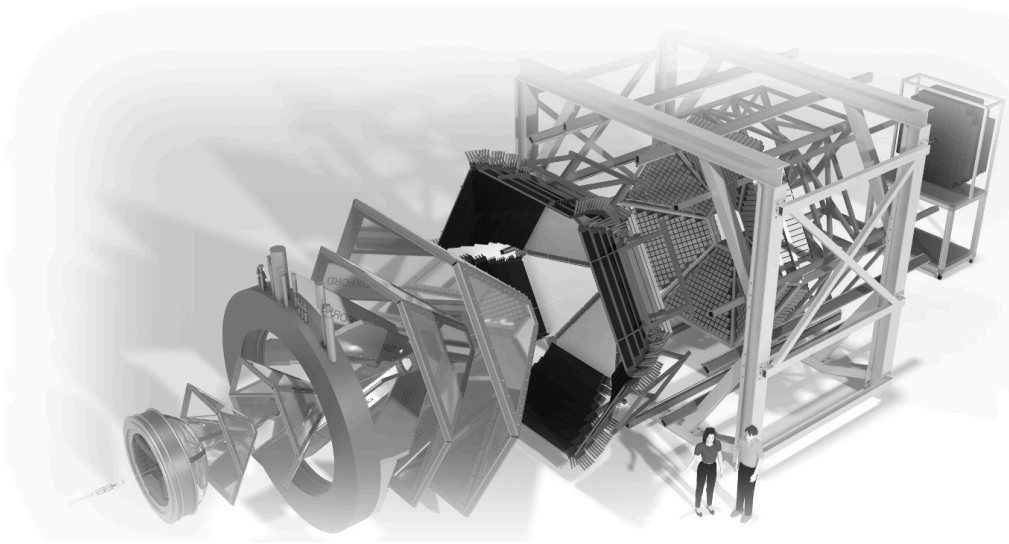


${}^3_{\Lambda}H$  lifetime:  $239 \pm 23 \pm 18$  ps

${}^4_{\Lambda}H$  lifetime:  $209 \pm 7 \pm 10$  ps

${}^3_{\Lambda}H$ ,  ${}^4_{\Lambda}H$  lifetime measurements compatible with recent data from STAR, ALICE and J-PARC





# Dileptons



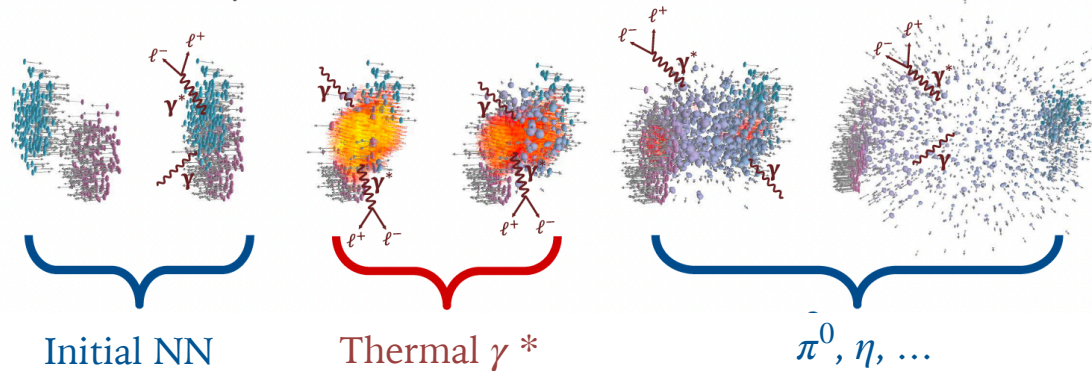
# Dilepton measurements

EM probes offer direct access to all stages of heavy-ion collision

Penetrating probes unaffected by strong interactions

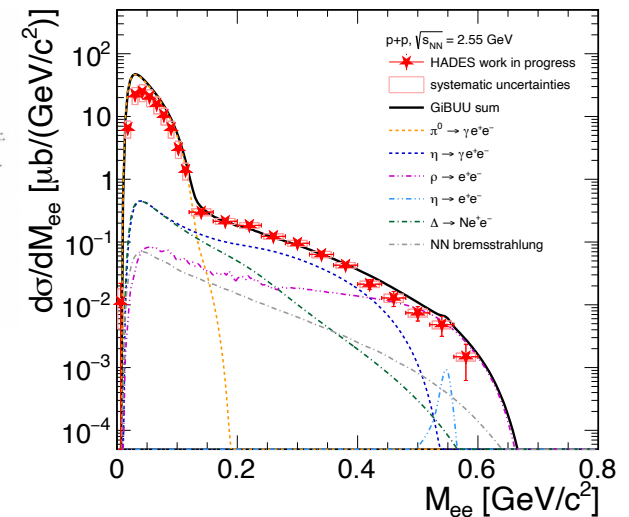
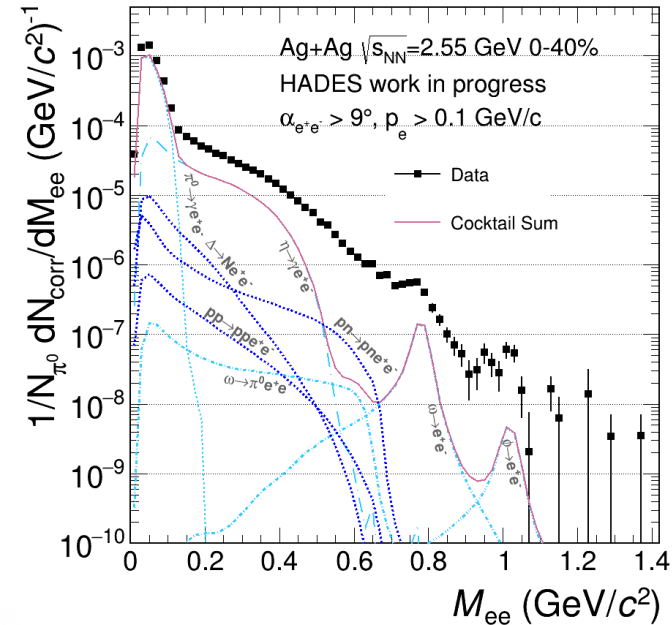
Possibility to extract the temperature and lifetime of the medium

Elementary collisions serve as baseline for the heavy-ion data



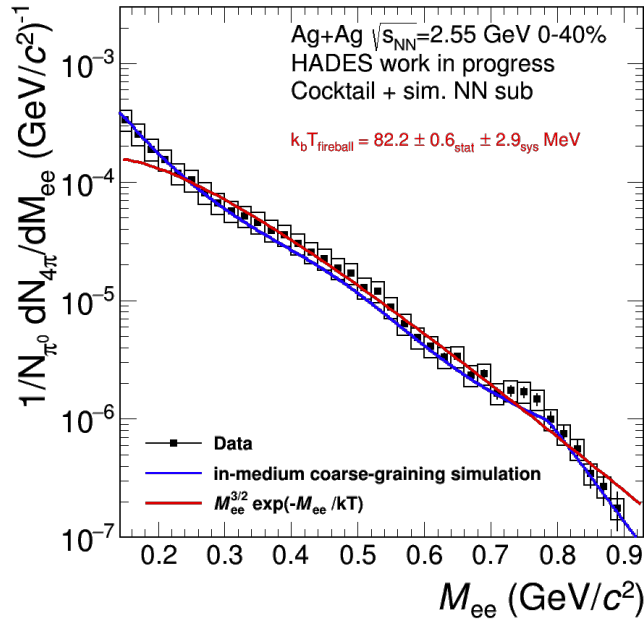
Measured signal:

- Initial NN reference spectrum
- Thermal probes
- Freeze-out cocktail ( $\pi^0, \eta, \omega, \phi$ )



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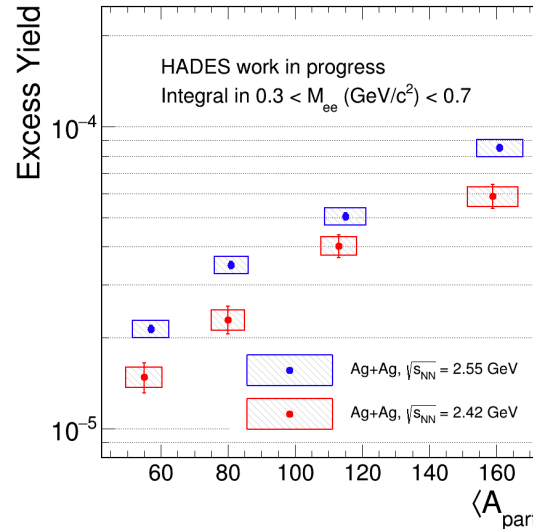
# Dilepton excess



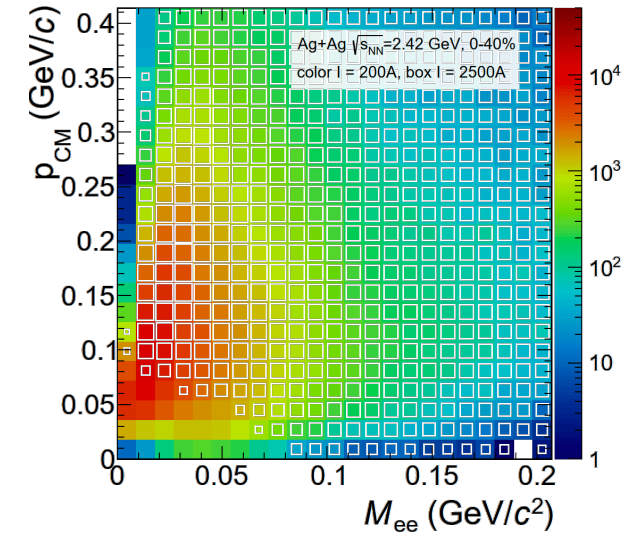
Spectra cutting low-mass of isolated dielectron pairs originating from **thermal radiation** extracted

## Fireball temperature determined

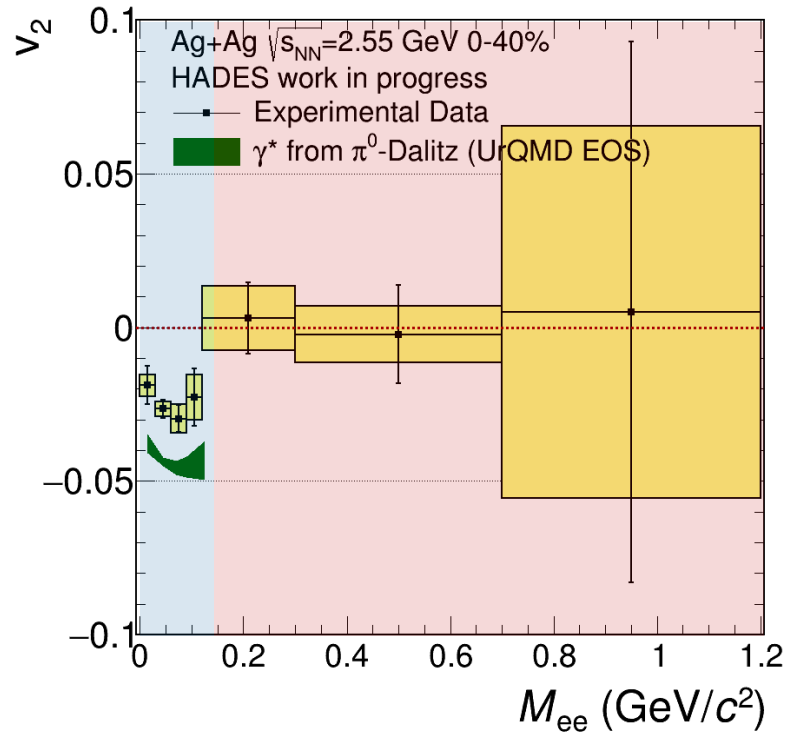
Extended lifetime of a fireball



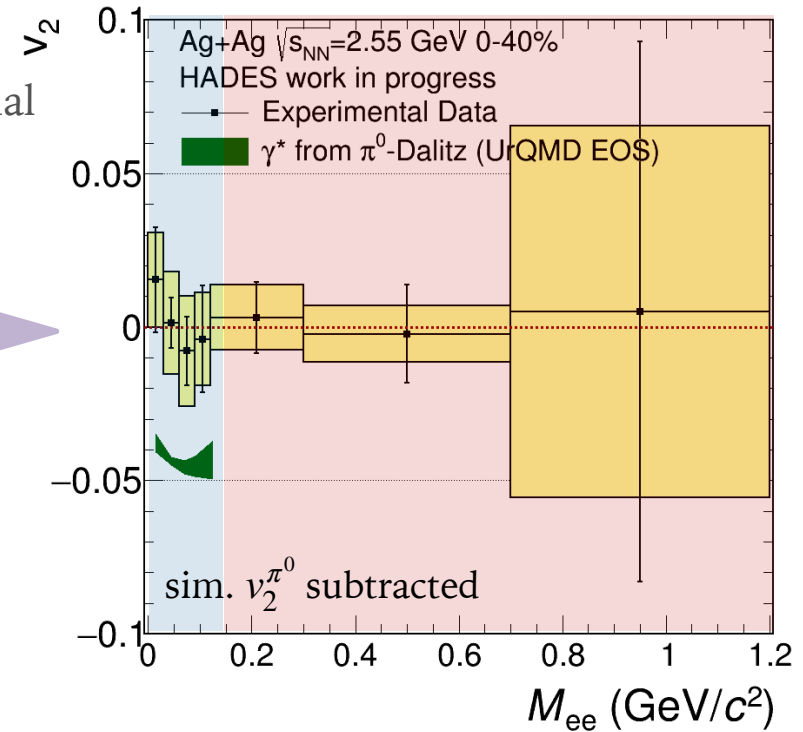
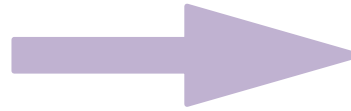
Towards extraction of electrical conductivity for QCD matter at high-density



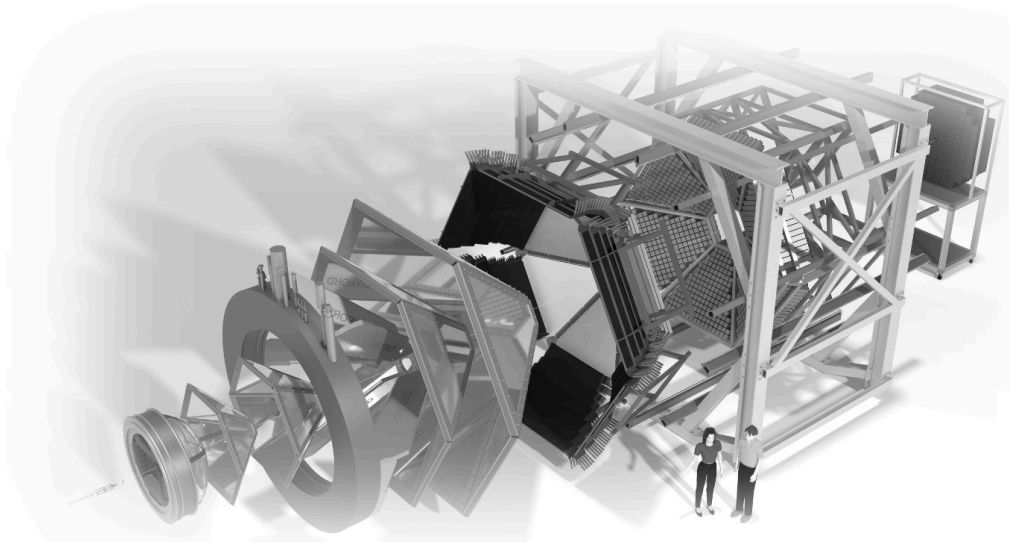
# Dilepton flow



Isolating thermal  
contribution in  
di-lepton  $v_2$



Change in  $v_2$  in  $M_{ee}$  region  
dominated by  $\pi^0$  decays  
( $M_{ee} < 0.12$  GeV/ $c^2$ )  
and dominated by **thermal**  
**radiation** ( $M_{ee} > 0.12$  GeV/ $c^2$ )



# Future



# Future of HADES

In 2025 HADES continues data taking for energy scan of Au+Au collisions

**Searching for critical behavior and limitations of the universal freeze-out line**

**Au+Au collisions at 0.2 – 0.8 AGeV ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 1.96 – 2.23$  GeV)**

*measurements of e-by-e particle correlations and fluctuations, dielectrons, strange hadrons, light nuclei (up to  $Z = 3$ ) and their flow (up to 6<sup>th</sup> order)*

HADES plans to take data in 2026/27 and continue its extended  $\pi$ -QCD program:

**Cold matter** (*in-medium vector-mesons, strangeness*)

**Hadron spectroscopy, structure and exotics** (*baryon-meson couplings, EM couplings, exotic mesons, rare  $\eta$  decay*)

**Effective interactions** (*hyperon polarization, hypernuclei formation, hyperon-meson interaction*)

*\*Hadron physics possibly realized with proton beams at SIS-100 - strong interest from the community*

**HADES plans to be operational at least until 2030**



**In the following years HADES plans to explore high- $\mu_B$  region together with CBM**

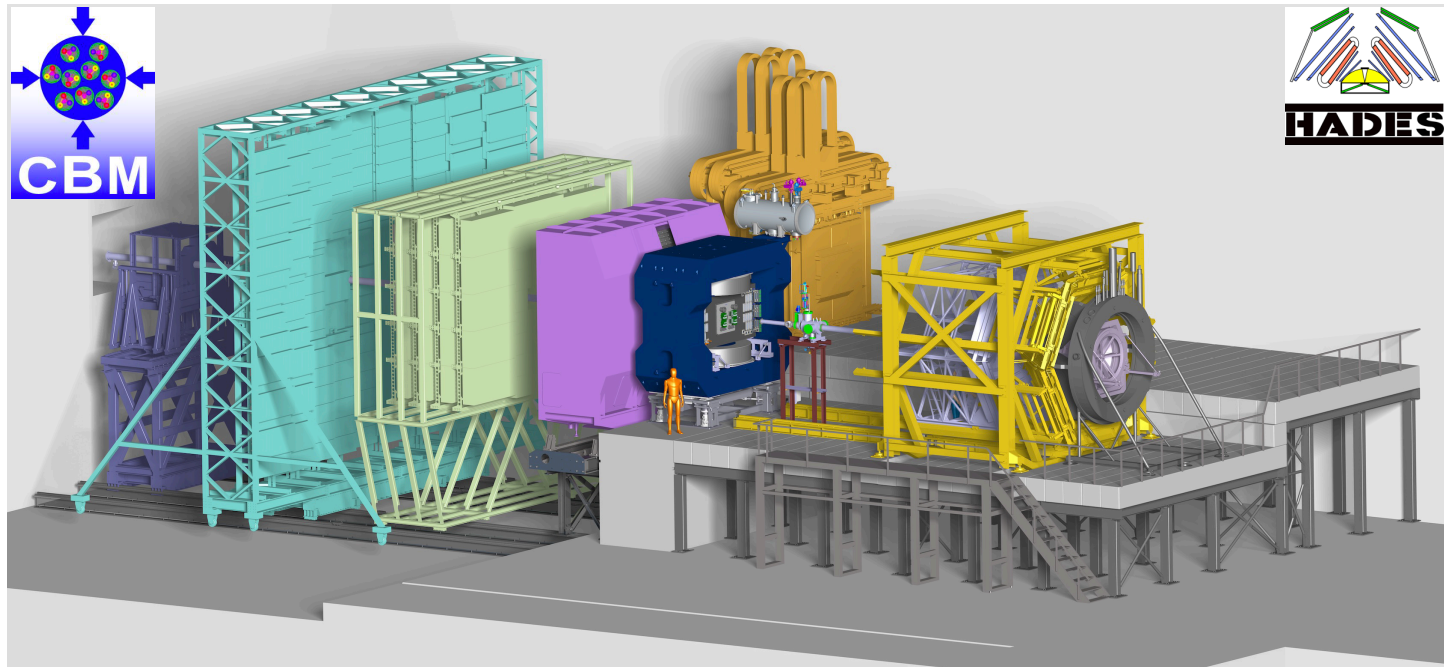
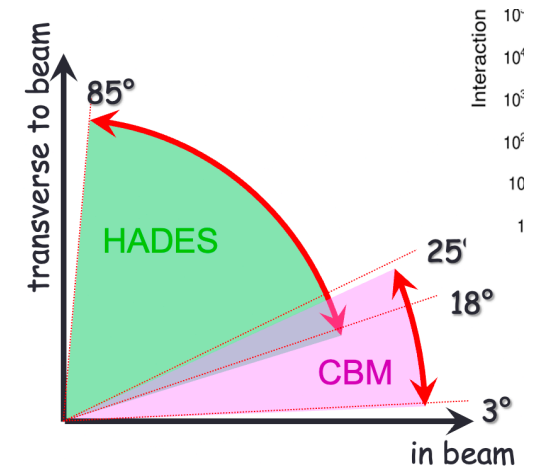
# HADES and CBM experiments

Fixed-target experiments → highest rates achievable

Versatile subsystems → tailored for the physics program

Angular coverage → complementary for HADES and CBM

First beams in 2028/2029





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Be the  
light

*CBM is open for  
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CBM Collaboration Meeting,  
Prague, September 2024

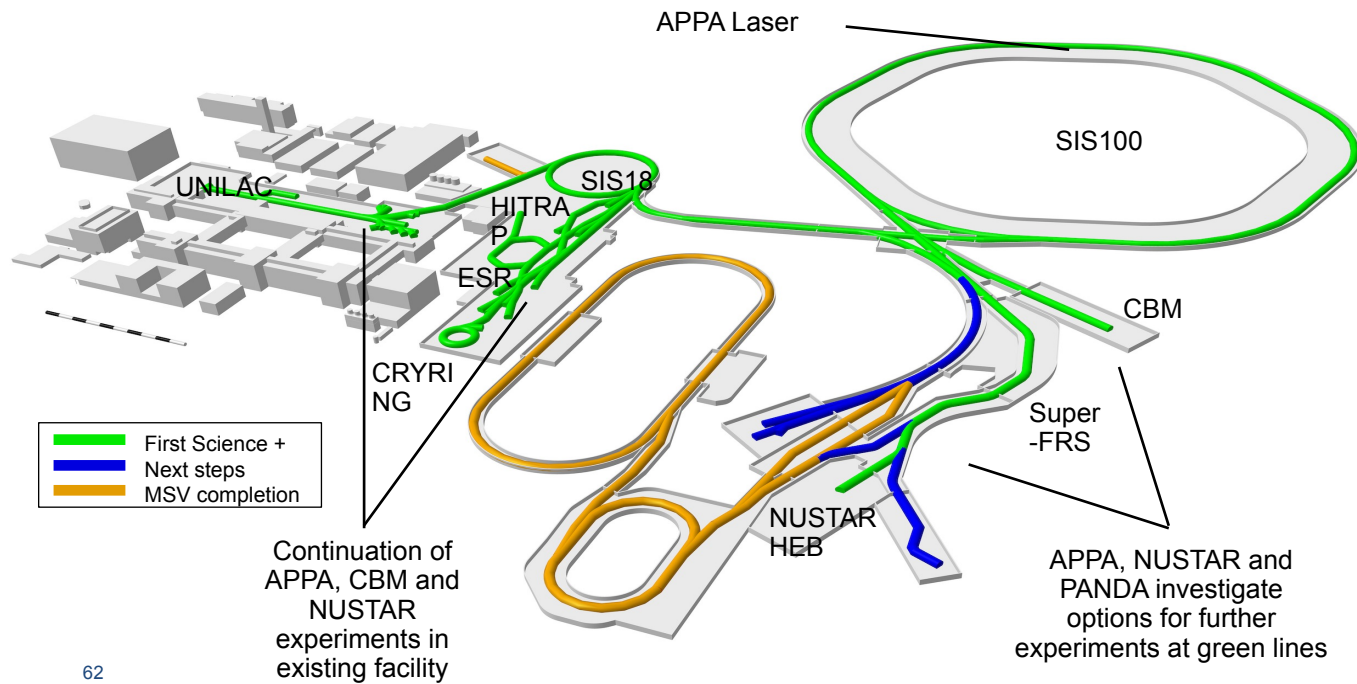
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# Current prospects and timeline

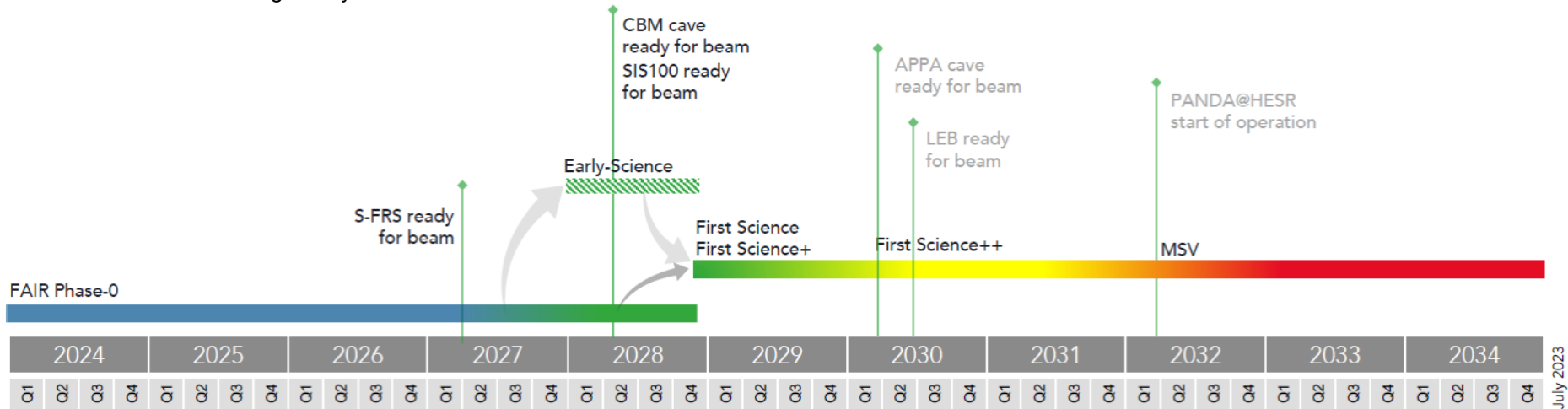


← until 2028  
**FAIR Phase-0**

← after 2028

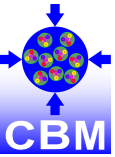
Staged implementation recommended by the Heuer/Tribble Commission's report (2022) with the First Science stage endorsed by the FAIR Council as "the most appropriate starting scenario to achieve world-leading science."

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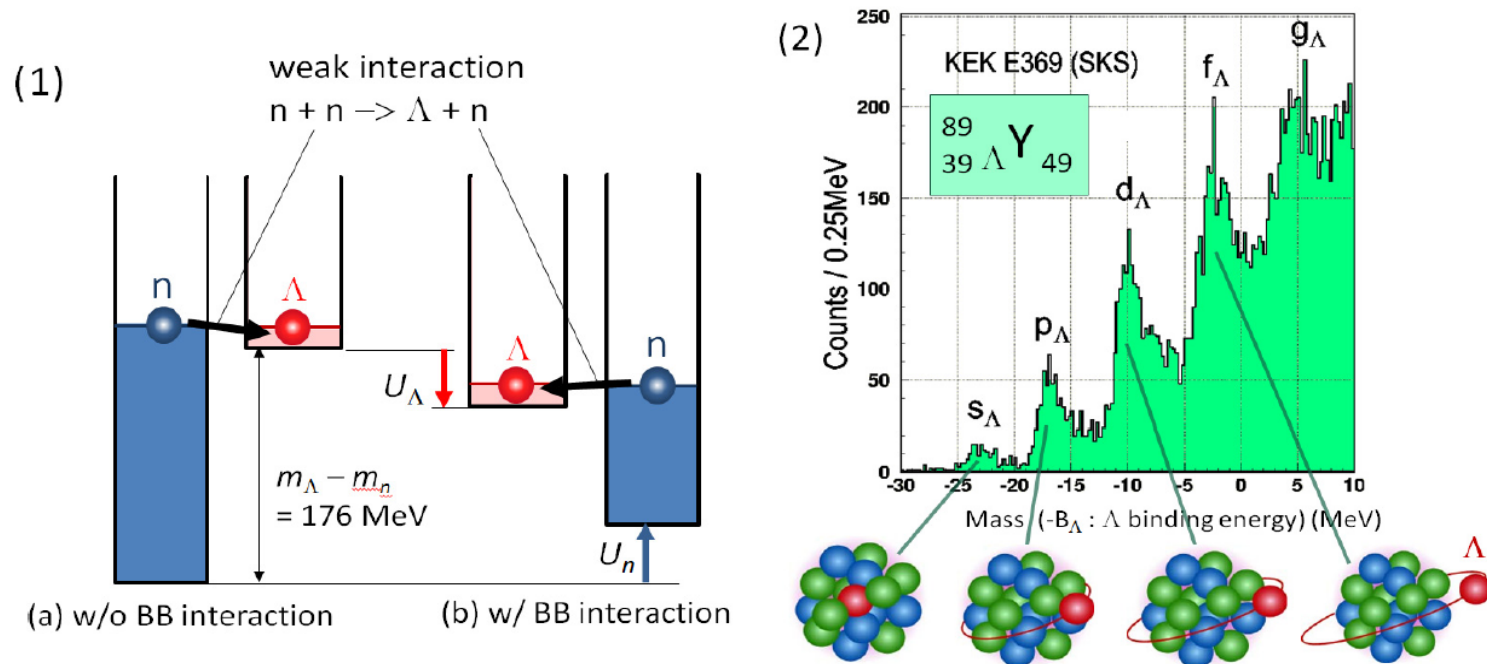


# Strange hadronic matter in the inner core



The inner core of the neutron star is totally unknown. One of the most probable scenarios is that hyperons (baryons with strange quarks) appear at a density larger than  $(2-3) \rho_0$

$\Lambda$  hyperons, being free from Pauli exclusion principle by neutrons, are allowed to stay at the bottom of the attractive nuclear potential made by neutrons. **When the kinetic energy of a neutron on the Fermi surface of the degenerate neutron matter exceeds the  $\Lambda$ -n mass difference of 176 MeV, it converts into a  $\Lambda$  hyperon via weak interaction.**



**Fig. 3.** (1) Energies of neutrons and  $\Lambda$  hyperons in high density neutron matter confined in the potential made by gravity. See text for details. (2) Excitation spectrum of a  $\Lambda$  hypernucleus  $^{89}_{\Lambda}\text{Y}$  via the  $(\pi^+, K^+)$  reaction on  $^{89}\text{Y}$  target [6].

Creating extreme  
conditions existing in the  
universe with  
heavy ion accelerators



To find answers to fundamental questions about the Universe :  
The Universe in the lab ...



Where are heavy  
elements created?

NUSTAR

FAIR  
GSI

What is in the  
interior of a  
neutron star?

CBM

PANDA

Glueballs:  
What are protons and  
neutrons made of?  
What is the structure of  
hadrons?

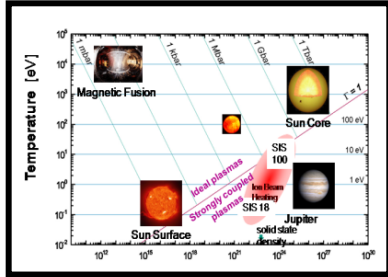


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How do materials  
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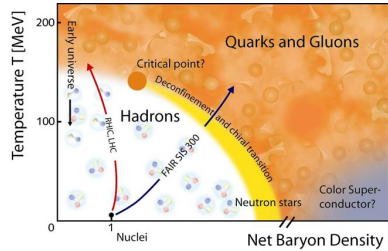


# The FAIR science: four pillars



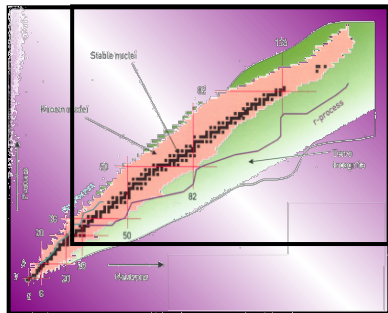
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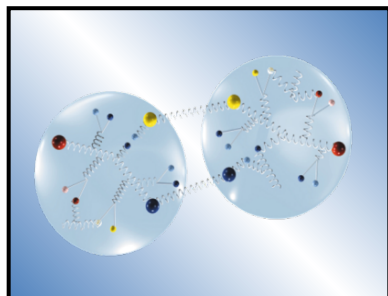
nuclear- and quark-matter

CBM



nuclear structure and nuclear astrophysics

NuSTAR



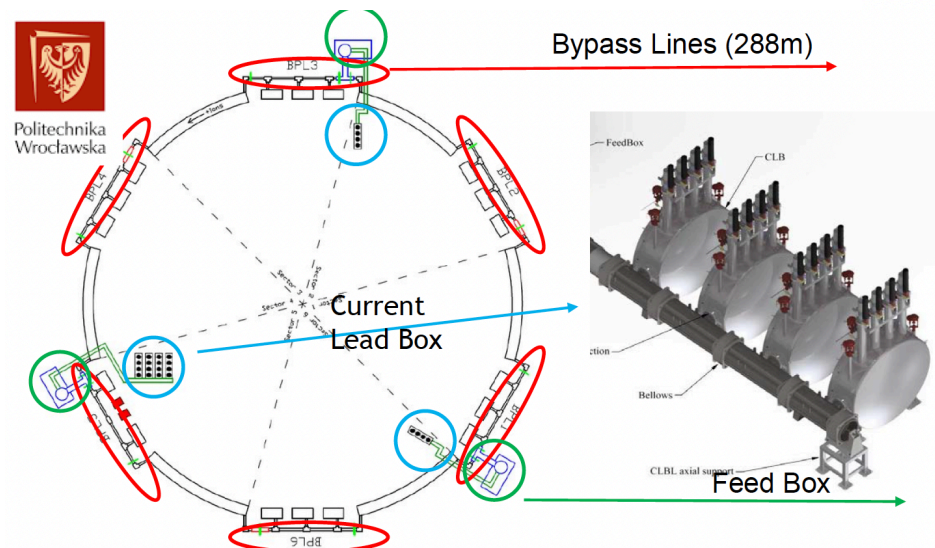
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PANDA





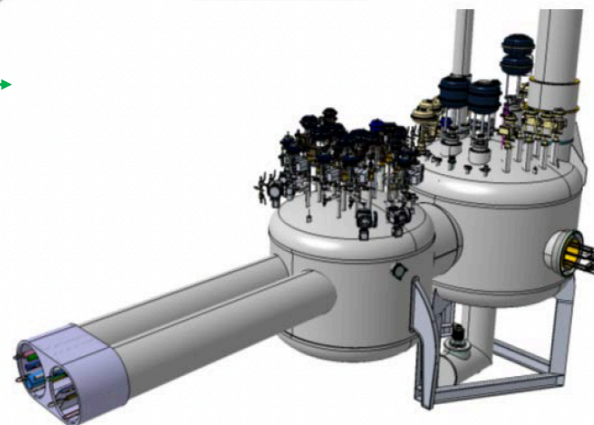
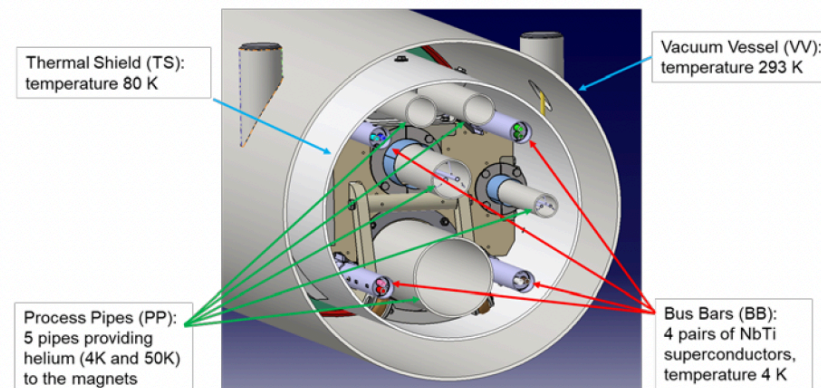
# Example of Polish in-kind contributions to SIS100



**Wrocław University of Science and Technology:**  
Design and implementation of the power (current) and cooling (He) distribution system for the SIS100 magnets. Unique competencies combining low temperatures with superconductivity (transport of helium and current in a single vacuum insulation). A crucial contribution to First Science+.

Polish in-kind contribution to SIS100 includes Bypass Lines (288m), Feed Box, and Current Lead Box.

Cross-section of the Cryogenic Bypass Line



**Gdańsk University of Technology:**  
Test system for SIS100 magnets.