

A strong influence of weak decays on chemical freeze-out parameters of hadrons measured in high energy nuclear collisions found within the advanced Hadron Resonance Gas Model

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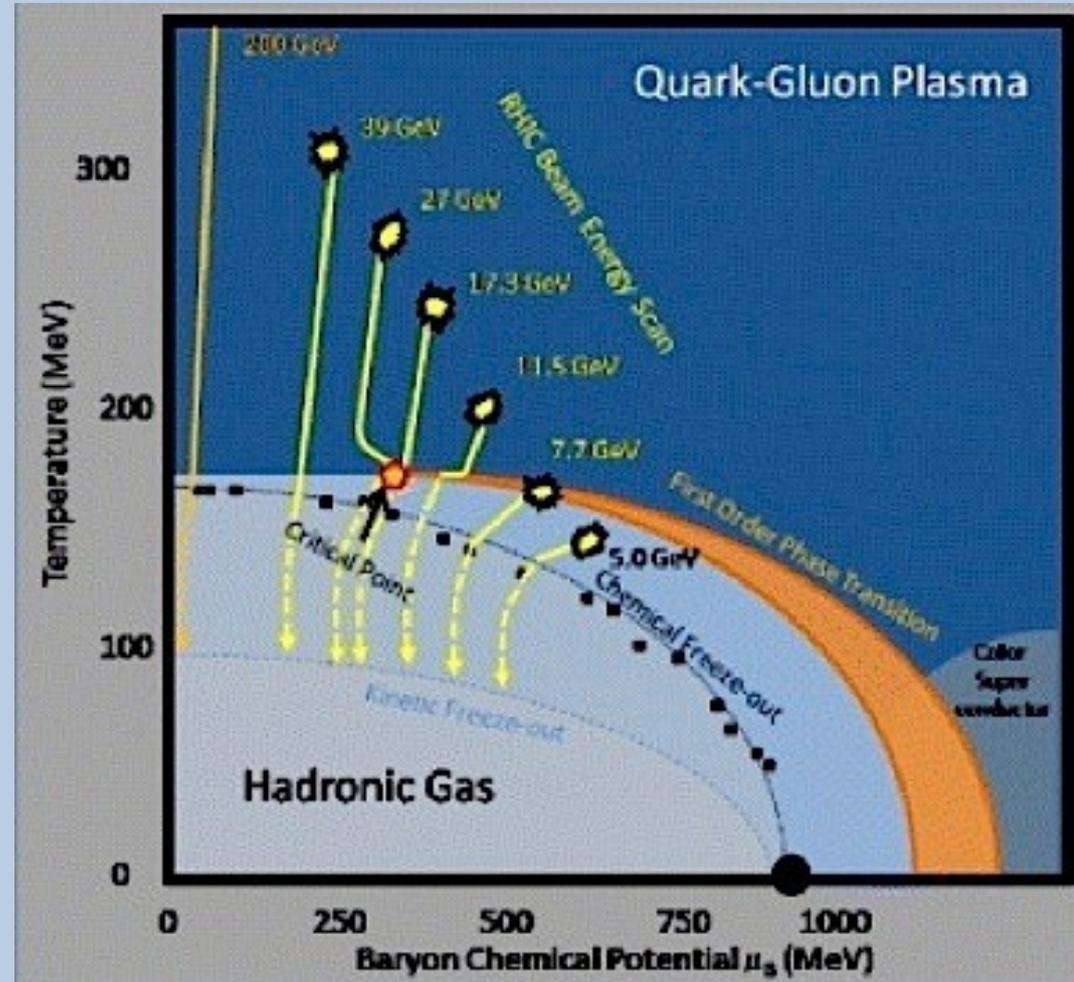
Motivation

The main goal to study heavy ion physics is understanding theory of strong interaction - QCD.

Exploring of the QCD phase diagram:

- detect signals of colour deconfinement;
- detect signals of chiral symmetry restoration;
- locate critical endpoint of QCD phase diagram.

In order to resolve these tasks we need a very good tool to analyze the data!



Induced Surface Tension EOS

pressure

**induced surface
tension coefficient**

$$\begin{cases} p = T \sum_{k=1}^N \phi_k \exp \left[\frac{\mu_k - pV_k - \Sigma S_k}{T} \right], \\ \Sigma = T \sum_{k=1}^N R_k \phi_k \exp \left[\frac{\mu_k - pV_k - \alpha \Sigma S_k}{T} \right]. \end{cases}$$

R_k , V_k and S_k are hard-core radius, eigenvolume and eigensurface of hadron of sort k

Advantages

- It allows one to go beyond the Van der Waals approximation, since it reproduces 2-nd, 3-rd and 4-th virial coefficients of the gas of hard spheres for $\alpha = 1.245$.
- Number of equations is 2 and it does not depend on the number of different hard-core radii!

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Success of IST EOS is not accidental!

IST EOS is truncated version of Morphological Thermodynamics

For a convex rigid body r immersed into a fluid with:

- pressure p ,
 - (induced) mean surface tension coeff. Σ ,
 - (induced) mean curvature tension coeff. K (bending rigidity)
 - (induced) mean Gaussian curvature tension Ψ (Gaussian bending rigidity)
- one has:

Grand potential $\Omega =$ (Landau) free energy

$$\Delta \Omega = - V_r p - S_r \Sigma - C_r K - X_r \Psi \quad (\text{rigid body inside fluid})$$

Here V_r is eigenvolume, S_r eigensurface, C_r eigenperimeter, X_r — Euler characteristics. **P.-M. König, R. Roth, and K. R. Mecke, Phys. Rev. Lett.**

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Resonances width

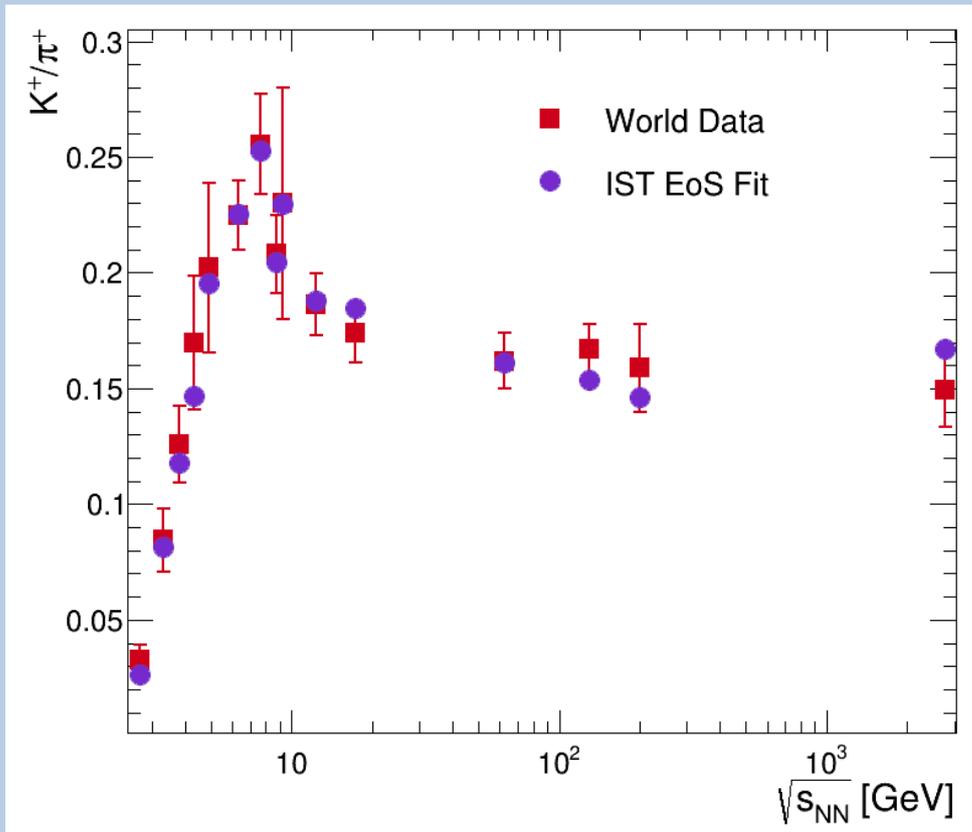
- The resonance width is taken into account in thermal densities as it is crucial in a thermal model
- For instance, description of pion yields cannot be achieved without its inclusion: $m_\sigma = 484 \pm 24$ MeV, width $\Gamma_\sigma = 510 \pm 20$ MeV

$$n_X^{tot} = n_X^{thermal} + n_X^{decay} = n_X^{th} + \sum_Y n_Y^{th} Br(Y \rightarrow X)$$

$Br(Y \rightarrow X)$ is decay branching of Y-th hadron into hadron X

- Fit of the particle ratios gives smaller systematic uncertainties than fitting of yields

Results of the IST EOS without weak decays



- K^+/π^+ is the most problematic ratio for description by different models
- IST EOS with additional radii for kaons and pions provides a good description of experimental world data

New fit: model parameters and data

- For fitting was used experimental data from STAR Collaboration at energies: 7.7 — 200 GeV.

- Local fit parameters for each collision energy (5):

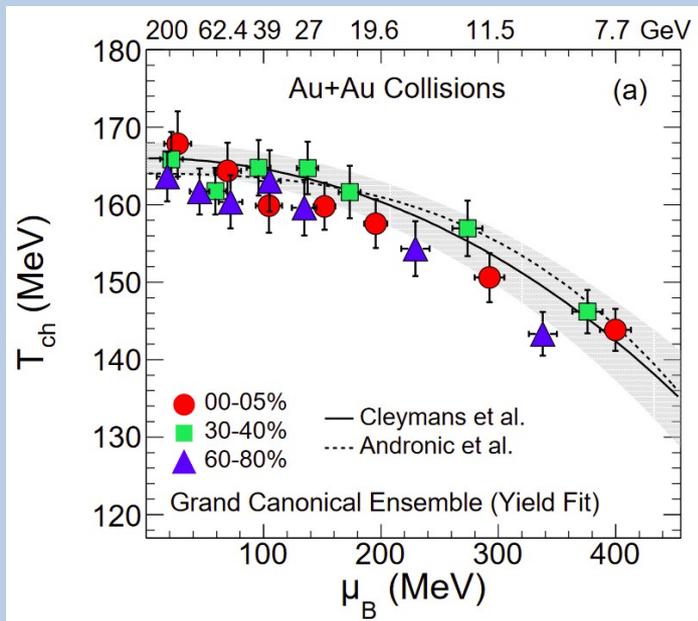
$$T, \mu_B, \mu_{I3}, \mu_S, \gamma_S$$

- Global fit parameters (5):

$$R_\pi, R_K, R_{\text{mesons}}, R_{\text{baryons}}, R_\Lambda$$

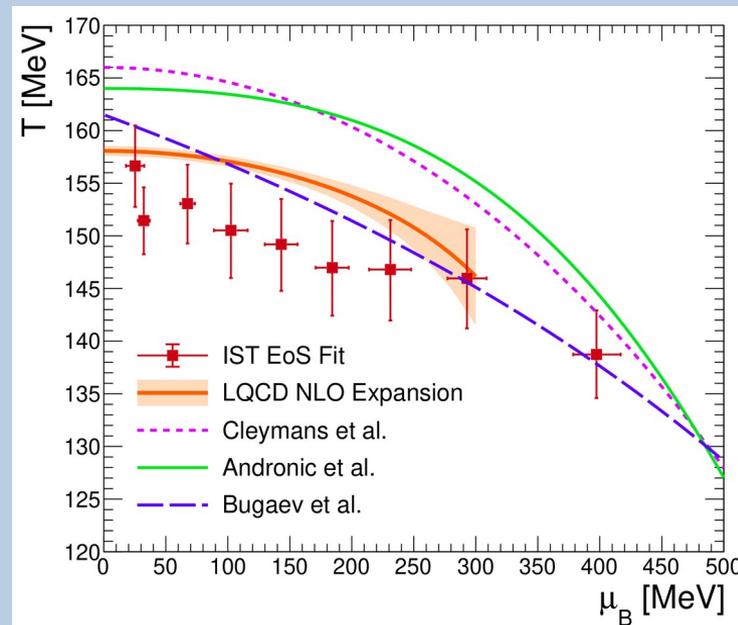
- **IMPORTANT** that inclusion of weak decays should be made according to experimental analysis

Results of the IST EOS with inclusion of weak decays for STAR data



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Data with $\sqrt{s} > 27$ GeV has $T \sim 160-170$ MeV



Inclusion of weak decays
decrease temperature of chemical
freeze-out **on 10 MeV!**

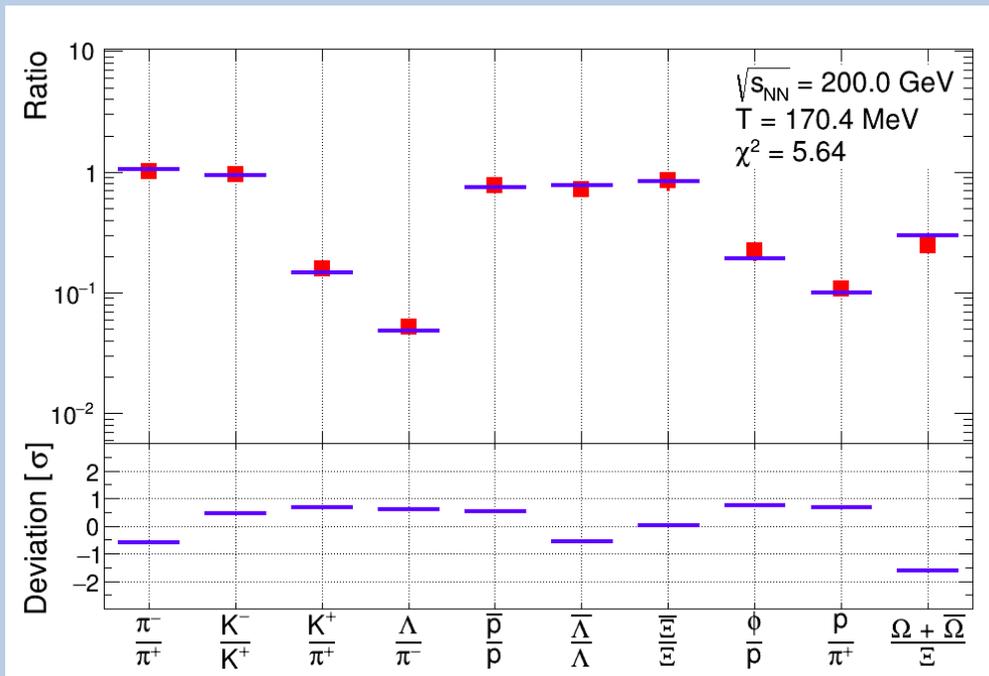
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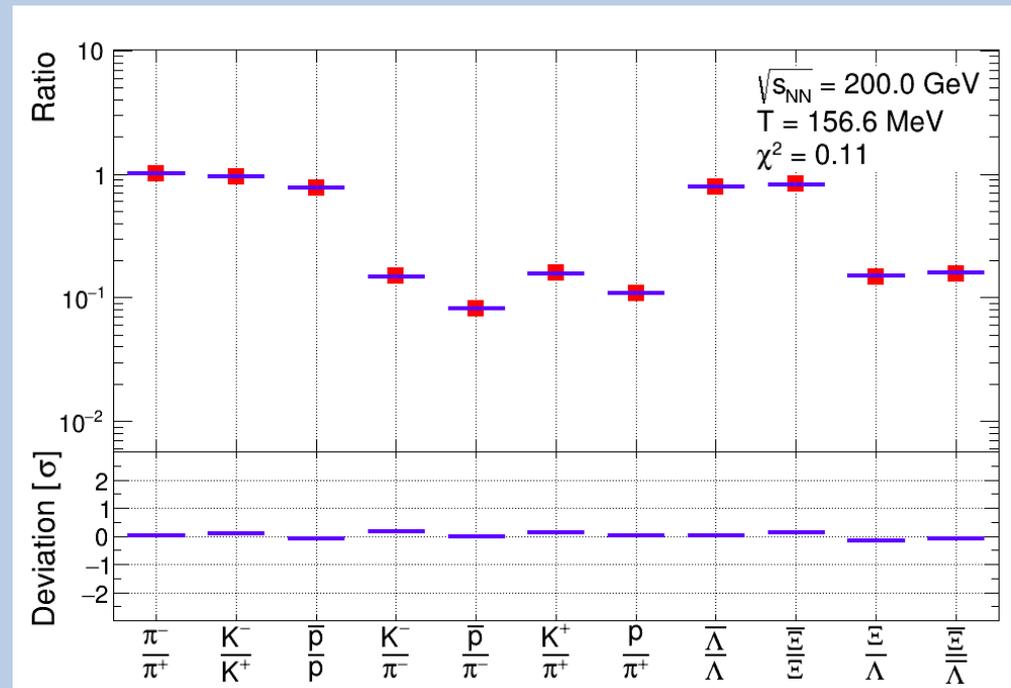
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Results of the IST EOS with inclusion of weak decays for STAR data



Without inclusion of weak decays



With inclusion of weak decays

→ Inclusion of weak decays **greatly** improves the description of particle ratios in the experimental data (**50 times better** in this case)

Conclusions

- IST EOS is a good tool to describe the particle yields and to get chemical freeze-out parameters
- Inclusion of weak decays:
 - Brings the chemical freeze out T to the right track. It gets lower than LQCD predictions for pseudocritical T
 - Provides an excellent description of the STAR data
 - Now the chemical freeze-out T of STAR and ALICE data are consistent with each other