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What we all know

- Quarks confined in hadrons •
 - $q\bar{q} = meson$
 - qqq = baryon
 - + sea quarks and gluons •



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three generations of matter interactions / force carriers (fermions) (bosons) III ≃173.1 GeV/c² ≃124.97 GeV/c² ≃1.28 GeV/c² ≃2.2 MeV/c² 0 mass 2/3 2/3 0 charge 2/3 0 t Н С g u 1/2 1/2 0 1/2 spin charm higgs gluon top up ≃4.7 MeV/c² ≃4.18 GeV/c² U ≈96 MeV/c² 0 UARK -1/3 -1/3 -1/3 b S C 1/2 1/2 1/2 strange bottom photon down ≃105.66 MeV/c² ≃0.511 MeV/c² ≃1.7768 GeV/c² ≈91.19 GeV/c² E BOSONS BOSONS -1 τ е L 1/2 1/2 1/2 electron Z boson tau muon S Ζ <0.17 MeV/c² <18.2 MeV/c² <1.0 eV/c² ≈80.39 GeV/c² C 0 ± 1 SOR Vτ Ve 1/2 Ш **GAI** electron tau muon W boson neutrino neutrino neutrino

Standard Model of Elementary Particles









Motivation for this contribution

- ALICE is one of the four big LHC experiments
- So why nobody knows what we are doing? 😥 •
 - Yesterday during lunch "so ALICE only ran for a few weeks during LHC Run 2?"
- Also, QGP is not only studied by ALICE!

LHC Seminar

Systematic studies of parton-quark gluon plasma interactions with ATLAS

by Qipeng Hu (Lawrence Livermore Nat. Laboratory (US))

Tuesday 10 May 2022, 11:00 → 12:00 Europe/Zurich

Description Jet quenching, in which partons lose energy through interactions with a colour-charged medium, is one of the major signatures of quark-gluon plasma (QGP) formation in relativistic heavy-ion collisions. The seminar presents recent jet quenching measurements based on Run-2 data collected with the ATLAS detector. Using the results of inclusive jet production as a baseline, these new studies systematically explore how jet quenching depends on the mass and colour charge of the initiating parton, the parton shower's path-length in the QGP medium, and the jet substructure.





ALICE representation at tCSC 2022



What happens when we increase the temperature?

- Cargèse today ~ 295 K •
- Temperature in the middle of the Sun: 15 700 000 K
- Temperature needed for the creation of QGP: • 2 000 000 000 000 K
- Very extreme conditions (both temperature and density) lead to a creation of the different state of the matter where quarks and gluons are deconfined — and quark-gluon plasma is created!
 - Existed shortly after the **Big Bang**, recreated in • ultra-relativistic heavy-ion collisions (at LHC and RHIC) — our Little Big Bangs









- Most **perfect fluid** at the theoretical limit of viscosity •
- It means we can describe it by hydrodynamics! •





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Evolution of QGP

- Lorentz-contracted heavy-ion "pancakes" collide
- QGP is created
- QGP very quickly expands, cools down, and hadronizes
- We see "only" final-state particles, not QGP itself
- Very nice **animation**





Studies of QGP & small system puzzle

- Not possible to observe or study QGP directly, fortunately, we have: •
 - **Anisotropic flow** in both large and small collision systems •
 - Jet quenching only in large systems
 - And other things for which I don't have time now way







Conclusion

- At ALICE, we are creating **Little Big Bangs** by colliding • ultra-relativistic heavy-ion collisions
- With conditions just like after the **Big Big Bang**, we can melt hadrons into the soup of quarks and gluons
- Quark-gluon plasma is a different state of matter, a perfect • fluid following hydrodynamics
- Studying quark-gluon plasma is tricky as we only see final-• state particles affected by the it
- There are signs that a droplet of QGP might be also in • small collision systems





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A droplet of QGP in small systems?

- My PhD project is about flow in small systems
- Flow needs collective effects
- Collectivity = long-range multi-particle correlations, a sign of QGP
- Double ridge, observed in Pb-Pb collision, is a clear sign of collectivity
- Measurements at next slides served as a "motivation" for my studies — telling us we should look into all systems!
- Flow now measured across all systems







A droplet of QGP in small systems?

Low multiplicity collisions in p-Pb and pp collisions •





A droplet of QGP in small systems?

High multiplicity collisions in p-Pb and pp collisions — double ridge is there! •





