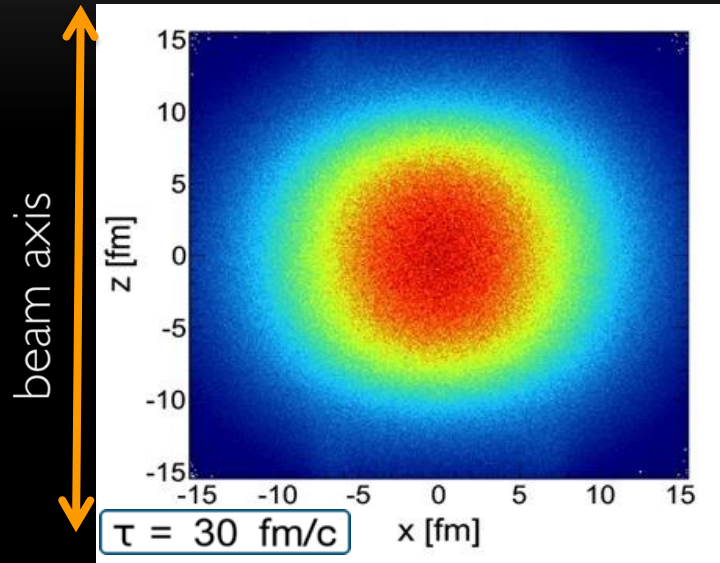


The electromagnetic response of resonance matter and other strange observations

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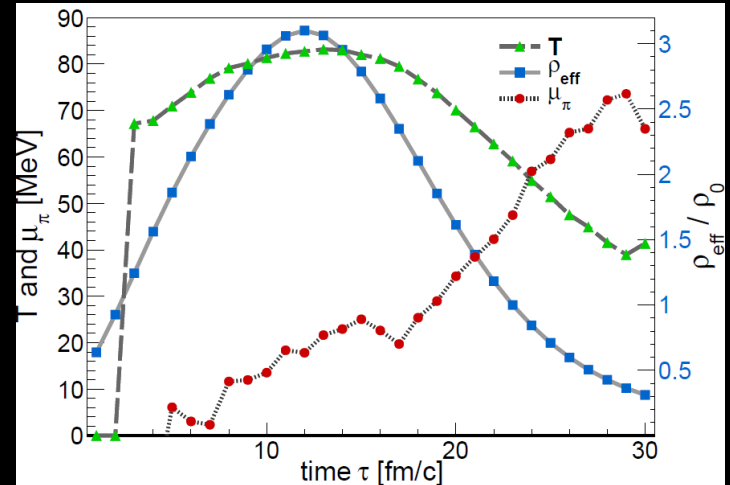
Baryonic matter at few GeV beam energy



- Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42$ GeV
- Long interpenetration times

- Baryon-dominated system throughout the evolution ($N_{\pi}/A_{\text{part}} \approx 10\%$)
- Comparatively long lifetime of the dense "fireball"

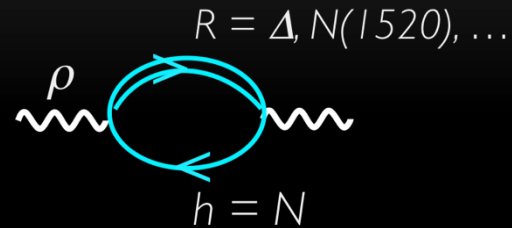
Central cell ($3 \times 3 \times 3$ fm³) thermodynamic properties from coarse graining UrQMD



HADES explores baryon-rich matter with rare and penetrating probes

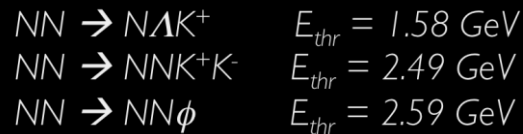
□ Emissivity of matter (dileptons)

Vector meson spectral functions modified by coupling to baryons
Play substantial role in ρ melting observed in UrHIC
cf. *R. Rapp, H. van Hees, PLB 753 (2016) 586*



□ Flavor production (strangeness)

Strong kinematic suppression of direct K^- production
 K^- couples strongly to baryons



□ Flow anisotropies

Preferred out-of-plane emission due to shadowing

□ Net baryon number fluctuations

No antiprotons, additional terms when correcting for volume fluctuations

HADES acceptance DiElectron Spectrometer at GSI, Darmstadt

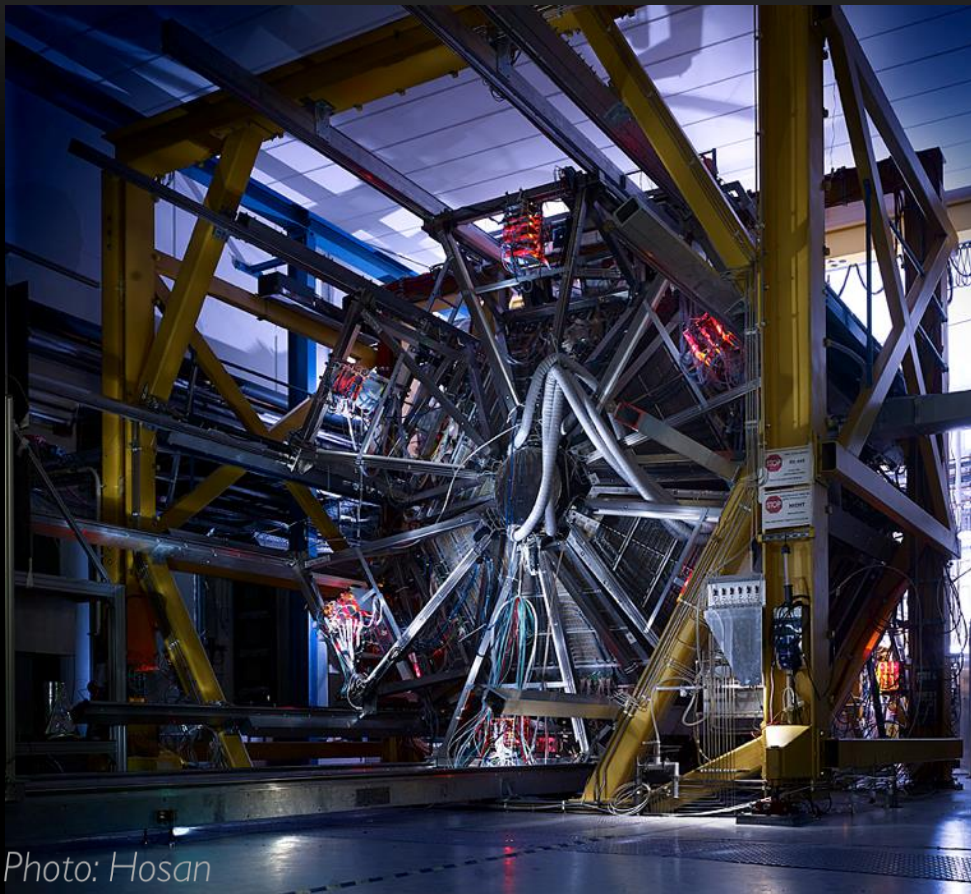


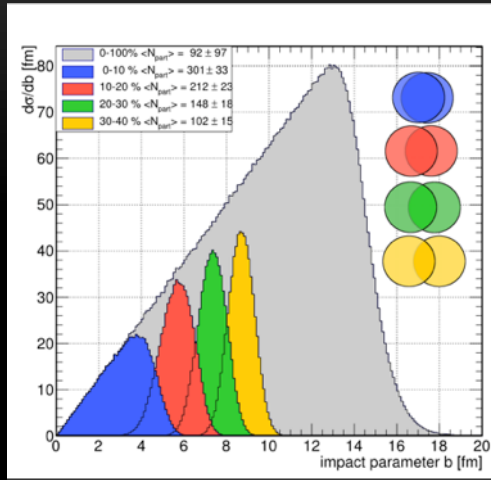
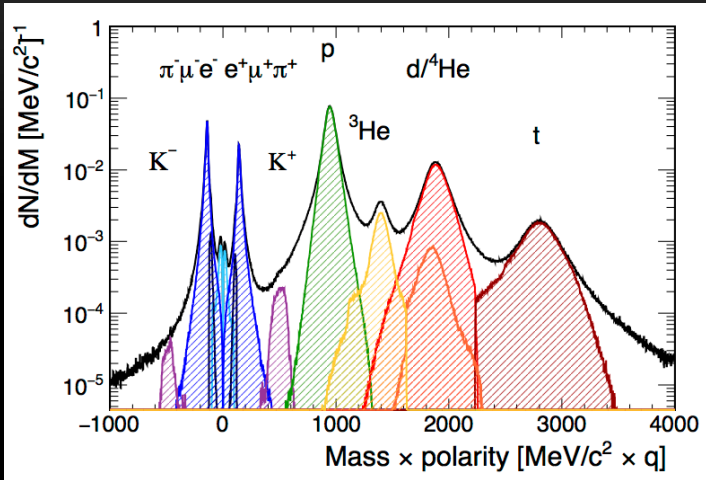
Photo: Hosan

HADES program:

- ❑ Excitation function for low-mass lepton pairs and (multi-)strange baryons and mesons
- ❑ Various aspects of baryon-resonance physics

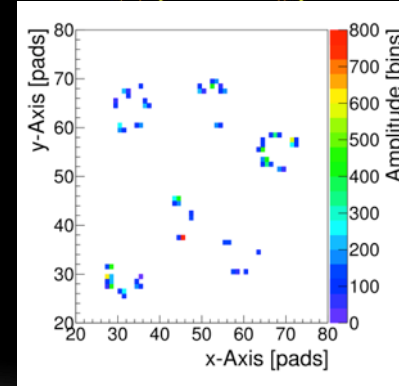
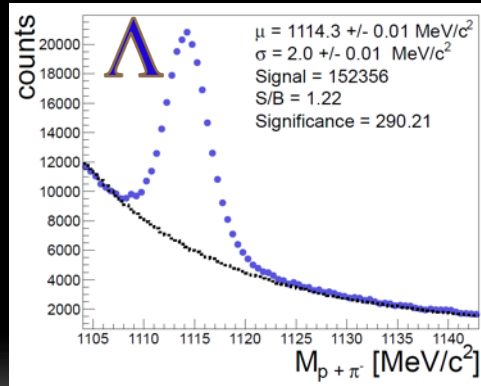
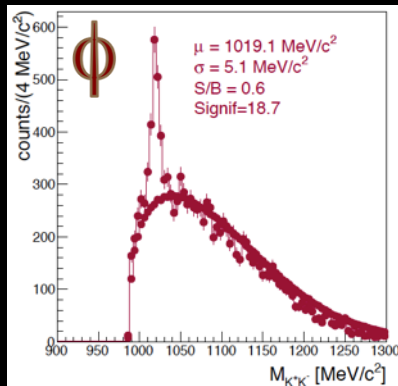
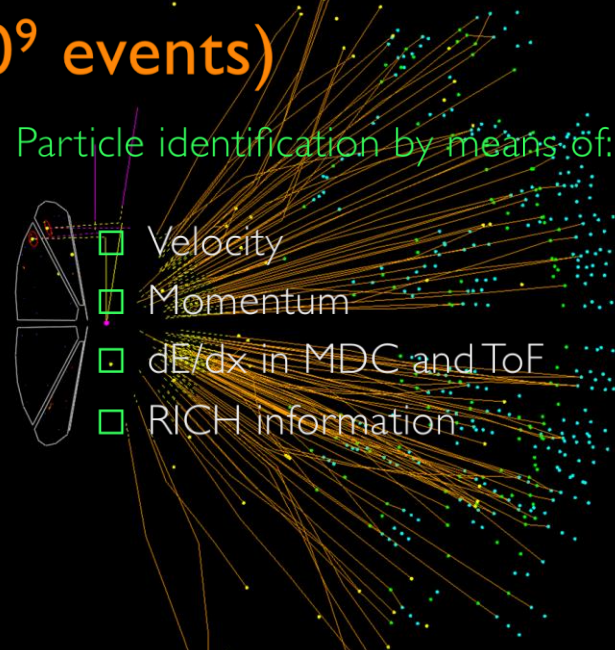
- ❑ Large acceptance: full azimuthal coverage, 18° - 85° polar angle
- ❑ Interaction rate capability: up to 50kHz trigger rate
- ❑ Mass resolution 2 % (ρ/ω region)

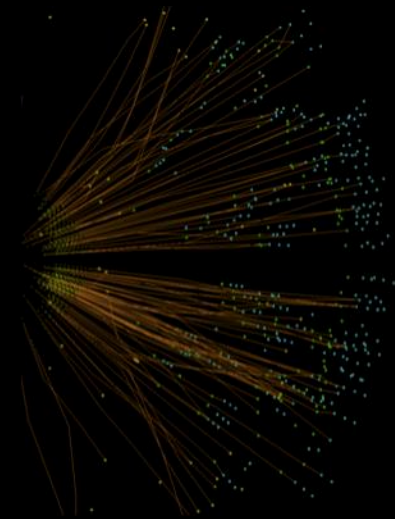
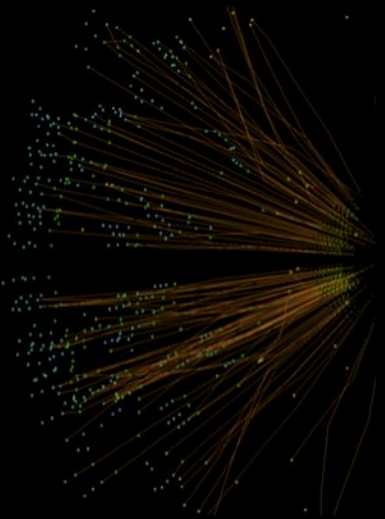
HADES event reconstruction (2.5×10^9 events)



Particle identification by means of:

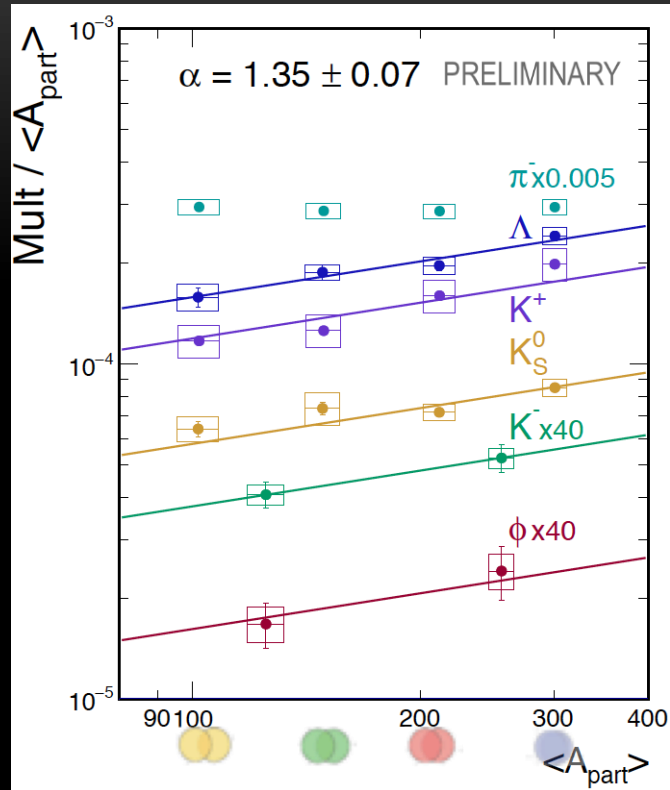
- Velocity
- Momentum
- dE/dx in MDC and ToF
- RICH information





Final state
“Hadron-chemistry”

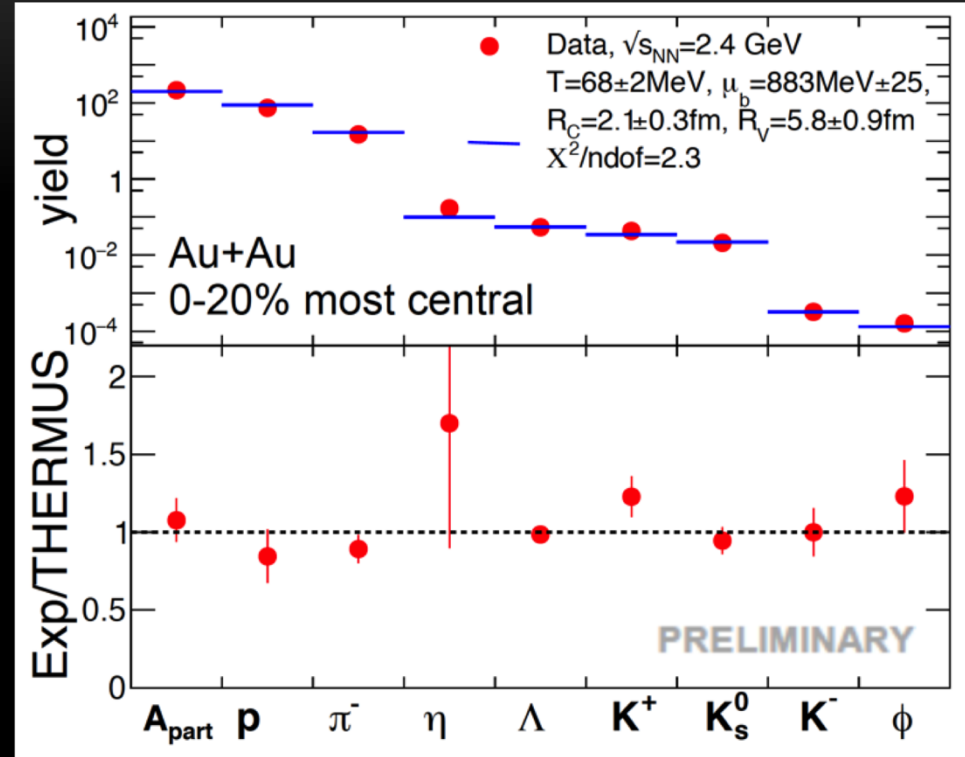
Strange particle production



- First comprehensive data set on **strange particle productions** from the Au+Au at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42$ GeV
- Far below (free NN) threshold
→ strong constraints on production mechanism
- **Universal scaling** with participant number A_{part}^α
($Mult \sim A_{part}^\alpha$ with $\alpha > 1$)
- Production yields reflect **matter** properties

Macroscopic description of hadron production

- Grand canonical ensemble (T, μ_B, V)
- Strangeness canonically suppressed at low temperatures \rightarrow needs additional parameter: $R_c < R_V$
- Hadron abundances described by four parameters T, μ_B, R_V, R_c
- What is the mechanism responsible for system thermalization?
- “Matter” formed also at low energies (high μ_B)

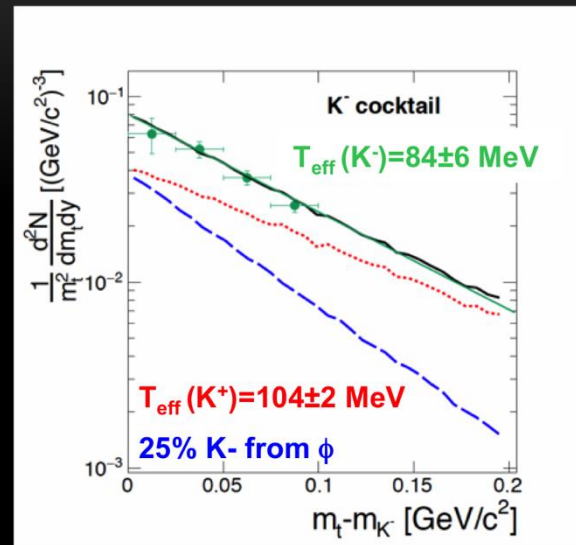
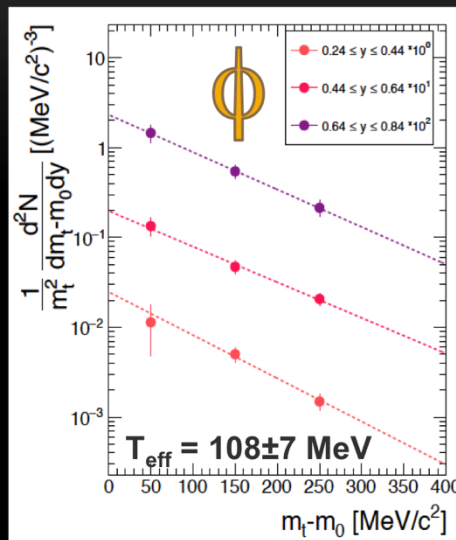
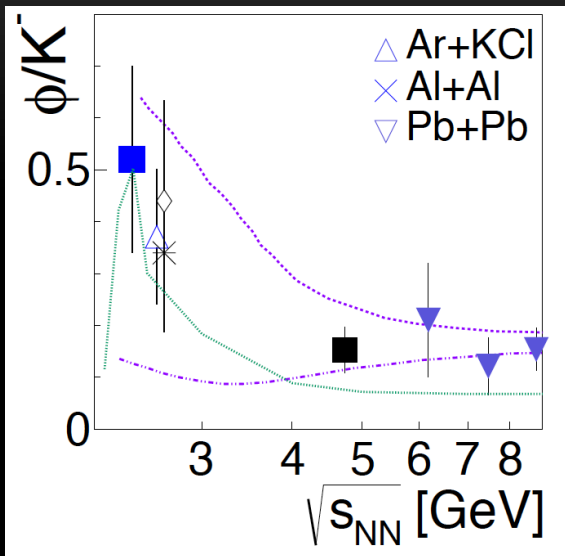


THERMUS v2.3

S. Wheaton, J. Cleymans *Comput.Phys.Commun.* (2009) 180

The role of ϕ meson: do K^+ , K^- freeze-out sequentially?

HADES: arXiv:1703.08418v1 [nucl-ex]

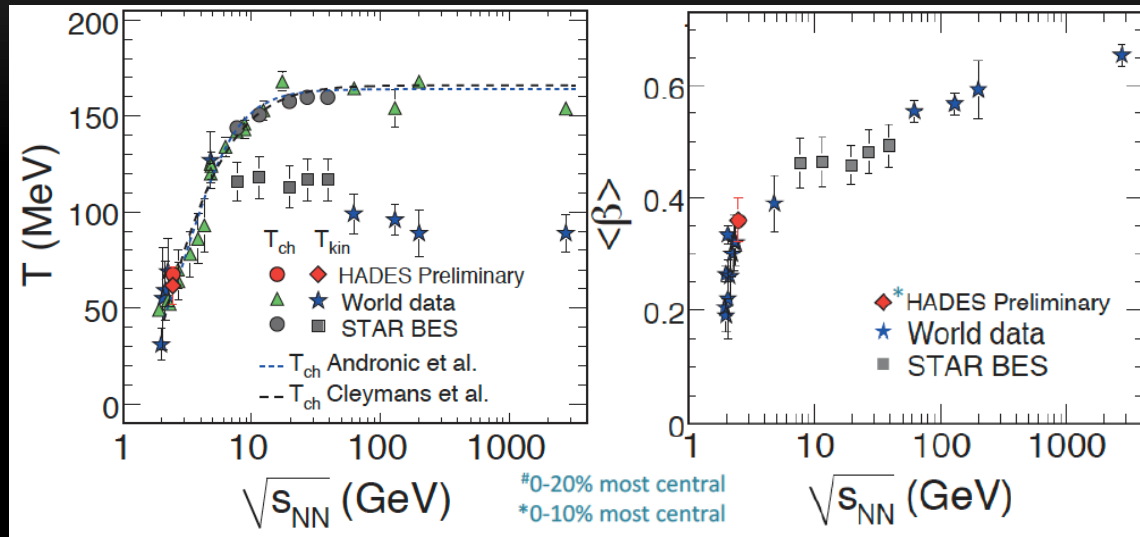
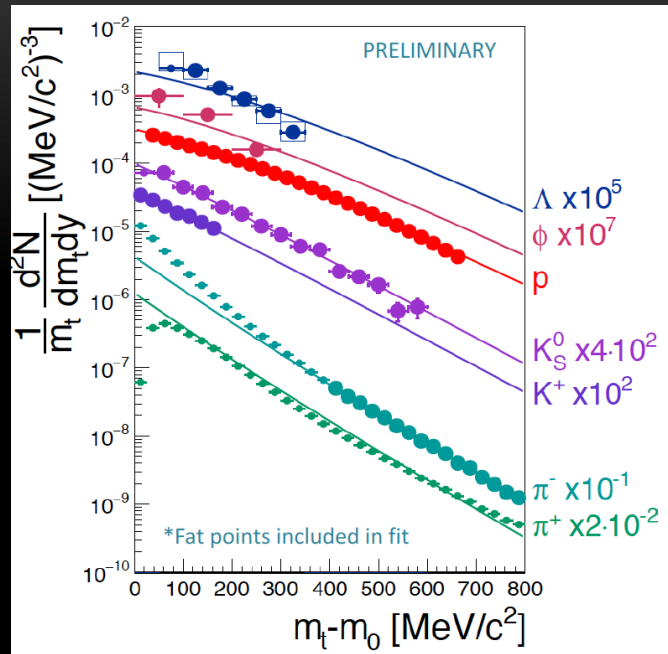


- Sizeable increase of ϕ meson to K^- ratio around production threshold
- 25% of K^- are from ϕ decays

- Sufficient statistics to perform multi-differential analysis for K^+ , K^- and ϕ
- Unique freeze-out criteria when ϕ decay kinematics is taken into account \rightarrow no evidence for sequential freeze-out of K^+ , $K^- \rightarrow$ support for statistical model

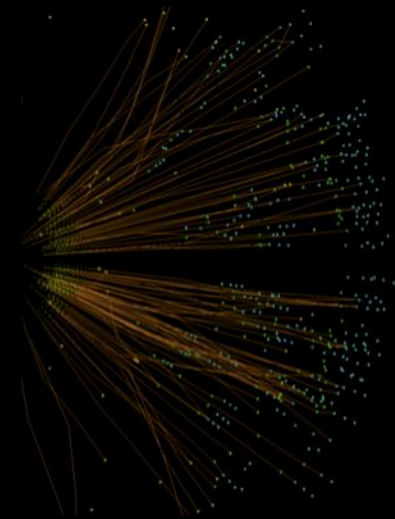
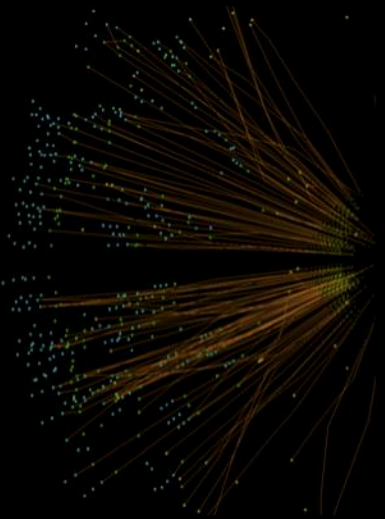
See also
Ar+KCl in HADES: PRC 86 (2010)
Al+Al in FOPI: EPJA 52 (2016)

Flow and its anisotropies



- Kinetic freeze-out parameters from blast wave fit to hadron spectra
- $T_{kin} = 62 \pm 10$ MeV, $\langle \beta_r \rangle = 0.36 \pm 0.04$
- Λ and ϕ fall out of the trend

- Global freeze-out parameters fit well into trend of world data
- $T_{kin} < T_{chem}$ also at low energies (high μ_B)

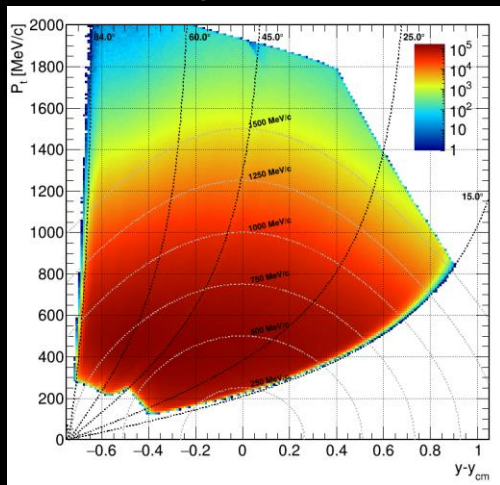


**(Net)-Proton Number
Fluctuations**

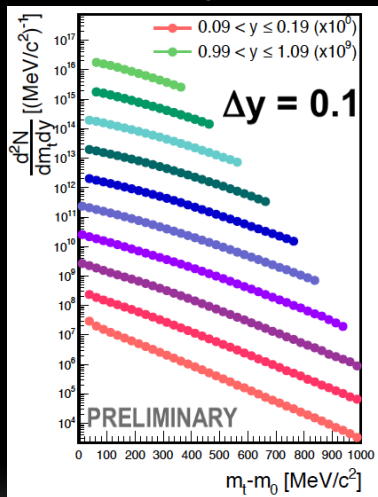
The experimental challenge ...

- Phase space region, not too large not too small
- Data need efficiency corrections! Note that efficiency = acc × det. eff. × rec. eff.
→ Two methods tested and validated with full MC simulations and realistic detector response
- Volume fluctuations due to centrality selection, no antiprotons, no terms cancel!

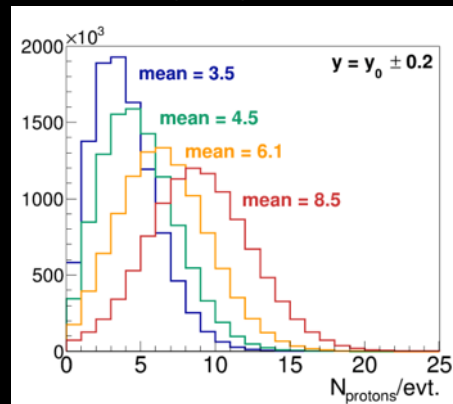
HADES $y - p_t$ coverage for protons



Proton m_t spectra

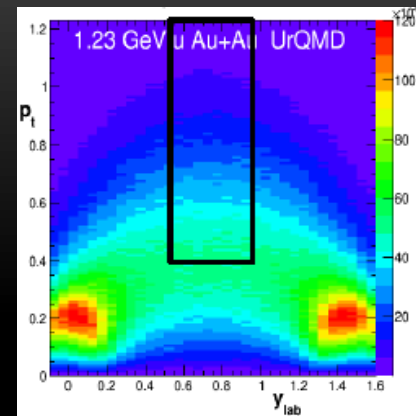
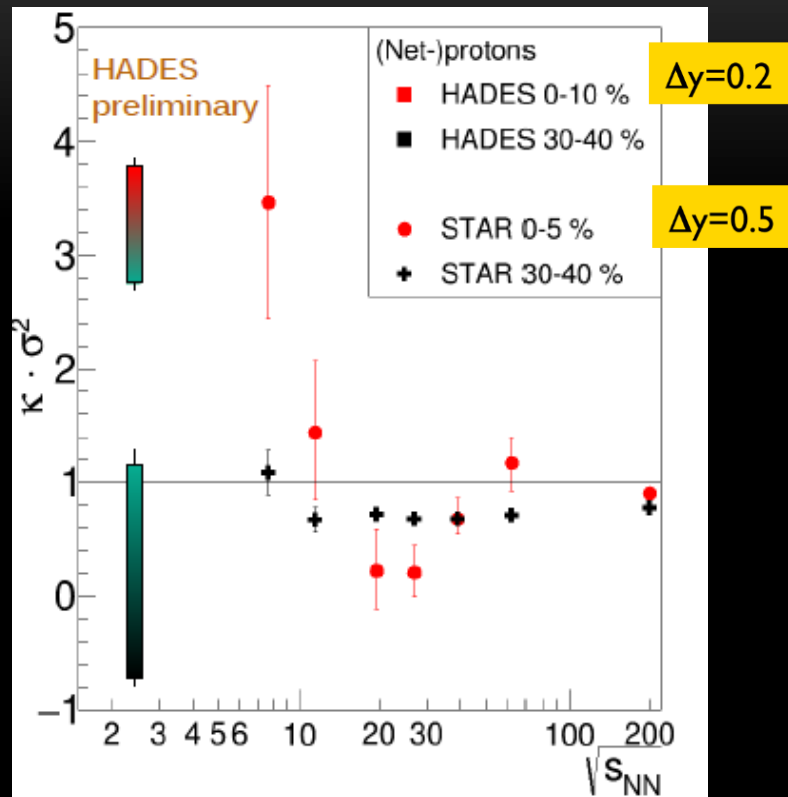


Proton multiplicity distributions



Analysis based on 40×10^6 Au+Au evts
divided into 4 centrality classes

(Net)-Proton Number Fluctuations



Rapidity gap = 1.5 units!

Need to select a phase-space bite small enough to avoid spectators, but large enough to stay away from Poisson limit! $\rightarrow \Delta y=0.2$

How about bound protons? $d/p = 0.3 - 0.4$
 \rightarrow deuteron fluctuation analysis is ongoing

■ red/black = unfolding (preferred method) + vol. flucs. corr.

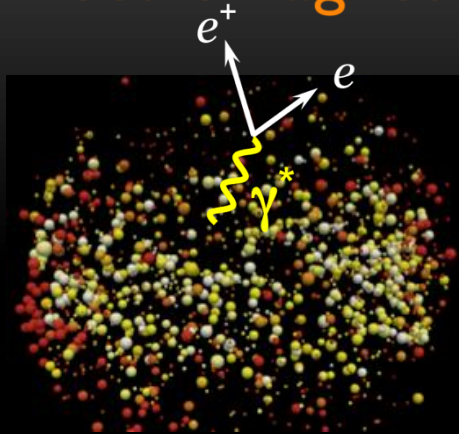
■ green = evt-by-evt eff correction of factorial moments + vol. flucs. corr.



*„If you want to detect something new,
build a dilepton spectrometer“*

S. Ting

Electromagnetic radiation

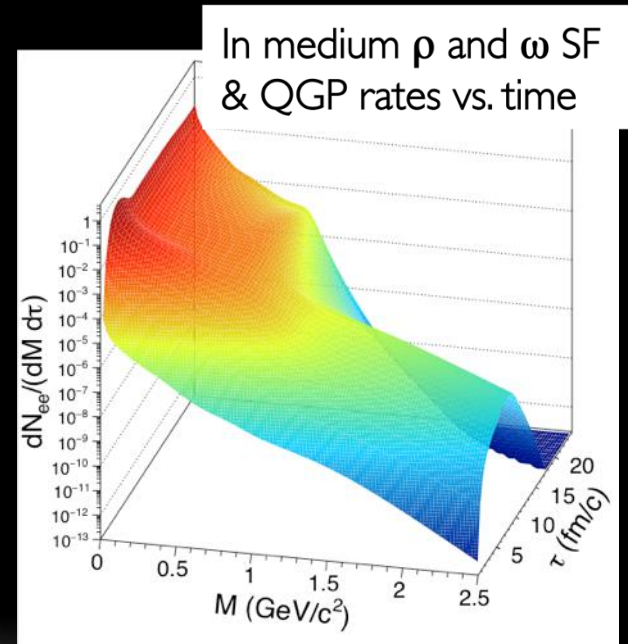


- No strong final state interactions
→ leave reaction volume undisturbed
- Encodes information on collisions (T , μ_B , τ_{coll})

The vector correlator is directly accessible in HIC:

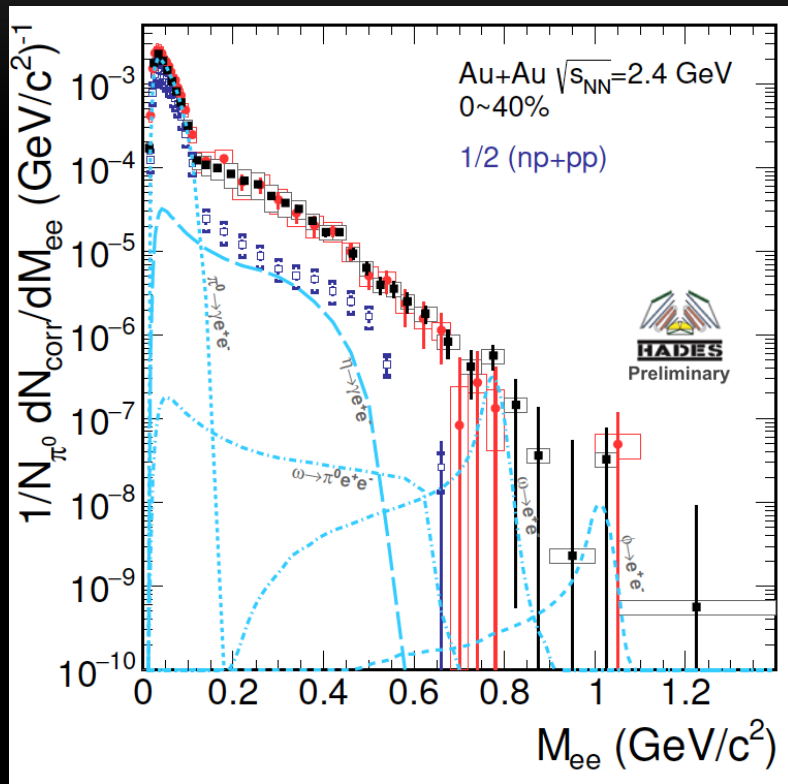
$$\frac{dN_{||}}{d^4x d^4q} = \frac{-\alpha_{EM}^2}{\pi^3 M^2} f^B(q_0; T) \text{Im} \Pi_{EM}^{\mu\nu}(M, q; \mu_B, T)$$

→ Unique direct access to in-medium spectral function



Virtual photon emission

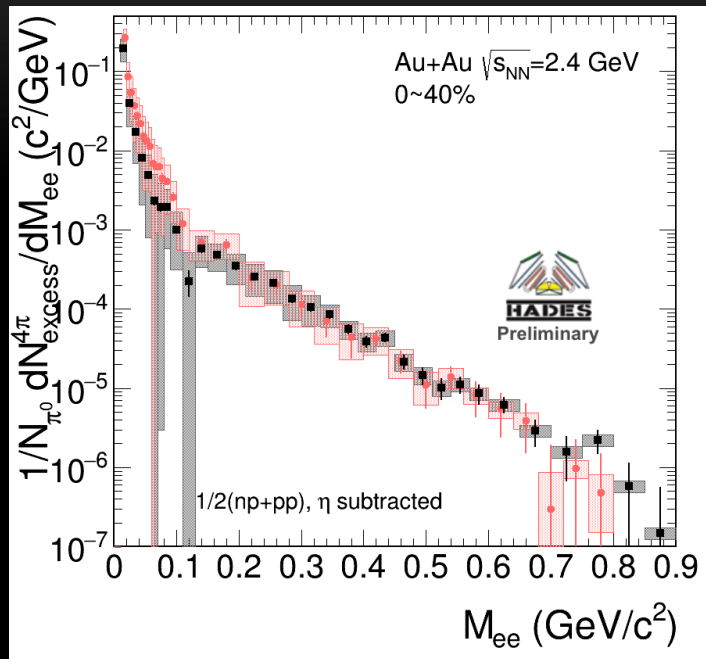
Two independent analyses (red, black)



- First measurement of e^+e^- for a heavy system in this energy regime
- Normalization to number of neutral pions
- Strong excess yield ($0.15 < M < 0.7 \text{ GeV}/c^2$) above e^+e^- cocktail components of meson decays at freeze-out and elementary baryonic reference observed

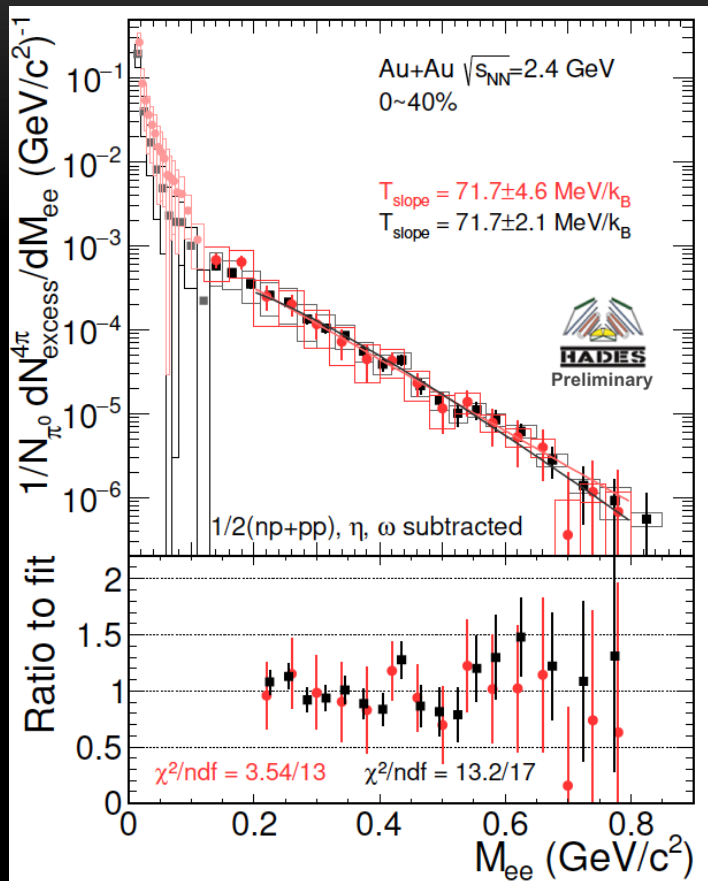
→ Medium radiation

Virtual photon emission – isolation of excess



- Isolation of excess radiation by subtracting experimentally measured contributions from first chance (NN reference) and late emission (η)
- Acceptance corrected excess yield
- $M_{ee} < 1 \text{ GeV}c^2 \sim$ exponential fall-off - 'Planck-like'
- measurement of radiating source temperature

Virtual photon emission – fireball thermometer

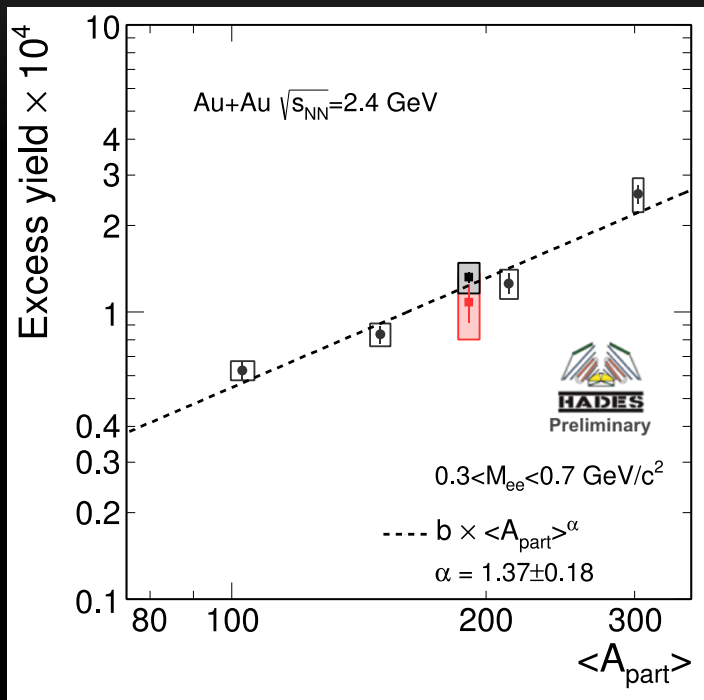


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→ fit $\frac{dN}{dM} \sim M^3 \times \exp\left(-\frac{M}{T}\right)$ to range $M=0.1-0.8 \text{ GeV}$

□ $\langle T \rangle_{\text{emitting source}} = 72 \pm 2 \text{ MeV}/k_B$

Virtual photon emission – fireball chronometer

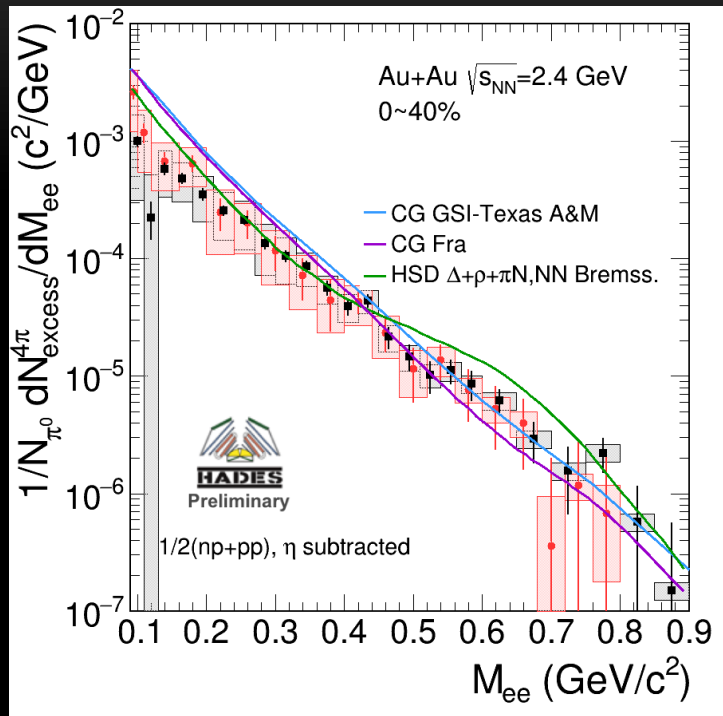


- Strong excess ($\sim A_{part}^{1.3}$, interplay $V \otimes \tau_{coll}$)
- Rapid increase of relative yield reflects the number of Δ 's/ N^* 's regenerated in fireball
- Dilepton chronometer of the collision time

What is the nature of the excess?

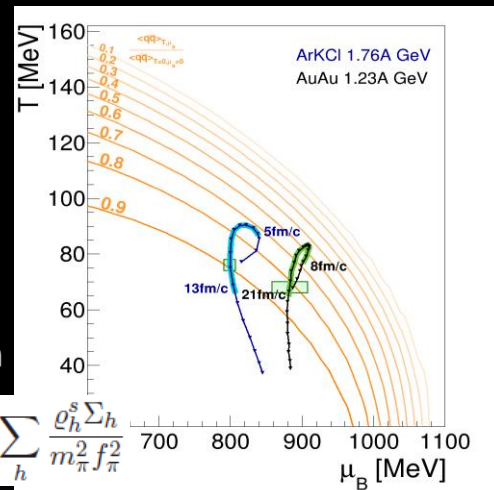
- Regeneration of baryonic resonances
- Subsumed into spectral functions

Thermal dileptons at SIS18?



- Strong broadening of the in-medium ρ
- Thermal rates folded over coarse-grained UrQMD medium evolution **works at low energies**
- Supports baryon-driven medium effects at UrHIC (SPS and RHIC)!

$T_{\max} = 85$ MeV, $\rho = 3 \rho_0$
 \rightarrow Excitation of the vacuum (melting of condensate) matches spectral medium effects!



$$\frac{\langle\bar{q}q\rangle(T, \mu_B)}{\langle\bar{q}q\rangle} = 1 - \sum_h \frac{\rho_h^s \Sigma_h}{m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2}$$

HADES., collaboration review

CG FRA: Phys. Rev. C 92, 014911 (2015)

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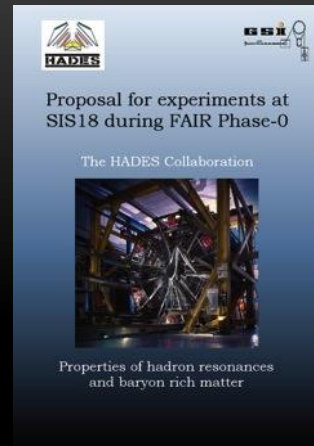
Résumé ...

- ❑ First measurement of acceptance corrected **excess spectrum** at low energies
→ **robust understanding** of low-mass dilepton excess radiation by ρ -baryon coupling.
- ❑ Analyzed **proton nb fluctuations** → HADES data allow to extend RHIC results towards low $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$, but interpretation **needs input from theory**.
- ❑ Unexpectedly high ϕ multiplicities. Feed down correction important when interpreting kaon spectra.
- ❑ Strange hadrons → **Universal scaling with** participant number A_{part}
- ❑ Completion of the excitation functions of flow, T_{chem} , T_{kin} and $\langle\beta_T\rangle$

- ❑ Exciting results from **Au+Au** collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.42$ GeV
→ suggest **“thermalize” strongly interacting medium** created

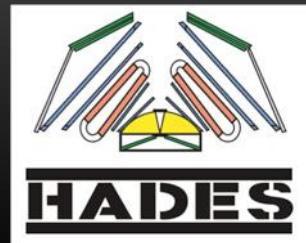
... and prospects

- ❑ Strong scientific program for FAIR Phase-0
- ❑ Important measurements to complement the exploration of the phase diagram and to provide a valuable reference measurements
 - ❑ $\pi+p/A$ $\sqrt{s}=1.7 - 1.9$ GeV: EM structure of baryonic resonances
 - ❑ Ag+Ag at 1.65A GeV: multi-strange hadrons & intermediate-mass dileptons
- ❑ Continue physics program at higher energies SIS100



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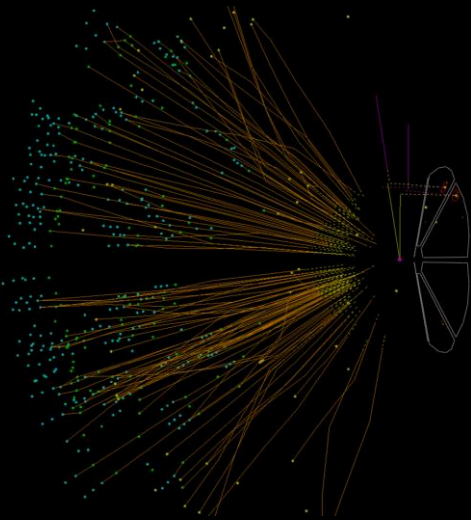
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