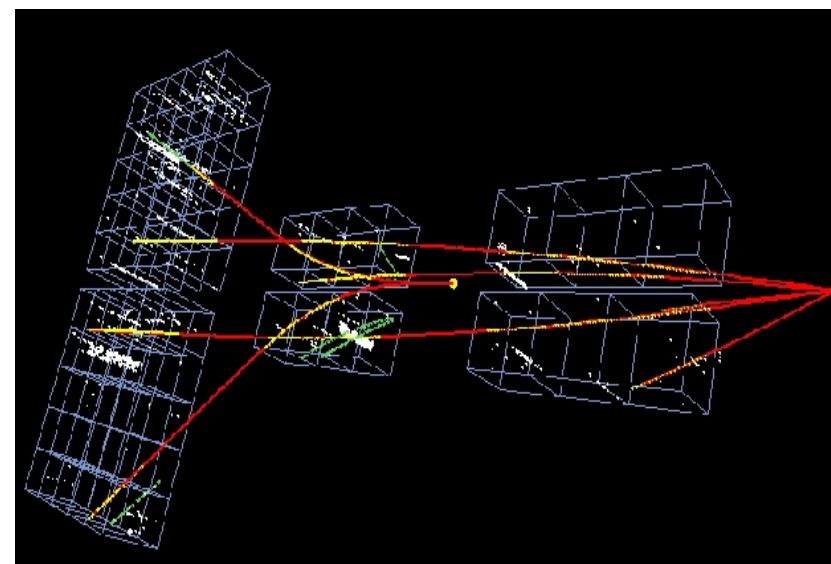


Fluctuations and correlations in NA61

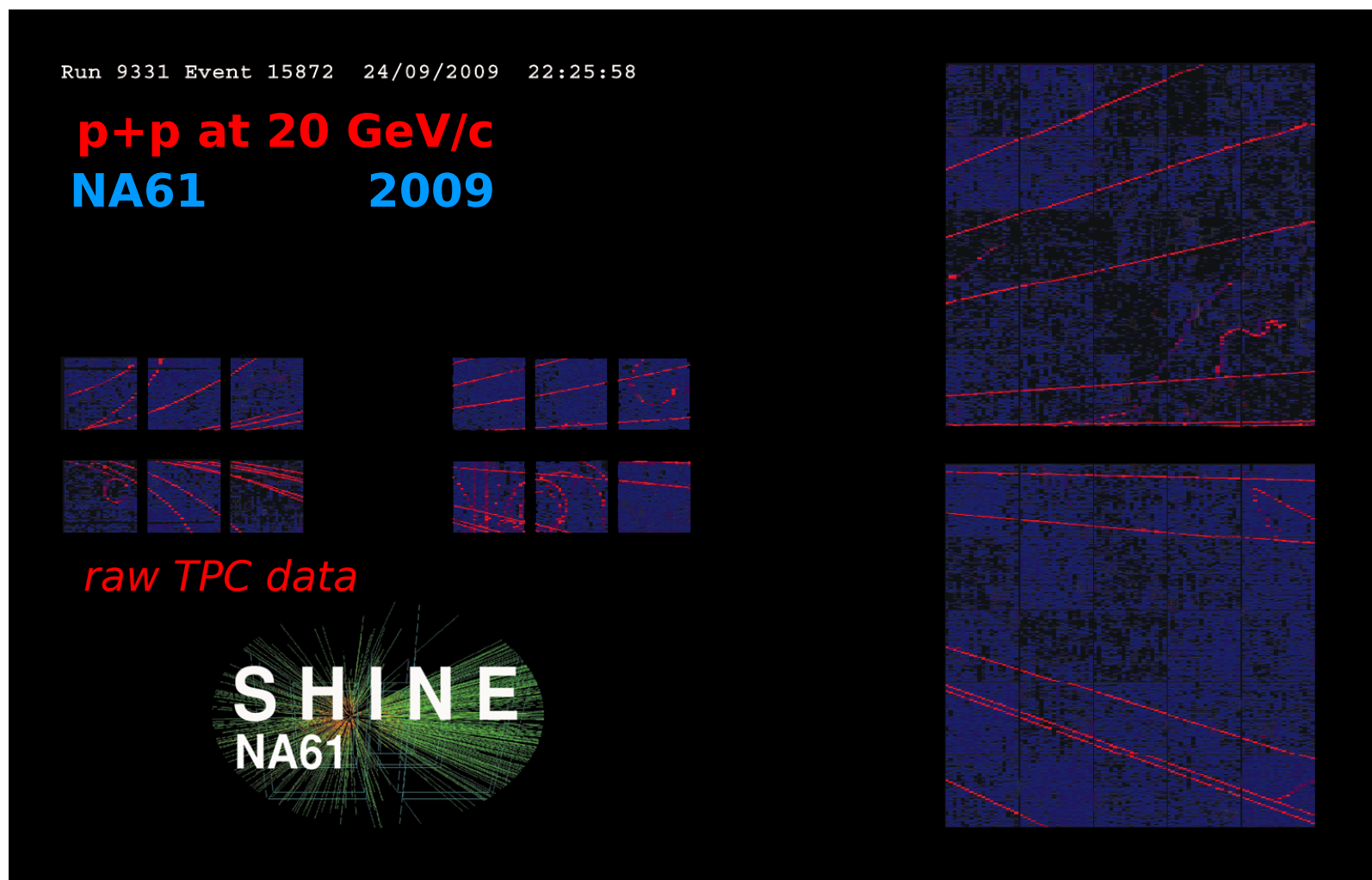
(**SHINE** - **SPS Heavy Ion and Neutrino Experiment**)



Proposal:

CERN-SPSC-2006-034, SPSC-P-330 (November 3, 2006)

- NA61 fundamentals
- ● Participant number fluctuations
- ● ● Fluctuations and search for the critical point
- ● ● ● Correlations and onset of deconfinement





NA61 fundamentals

Physics goals (I):

Physics of strongly interacting matter

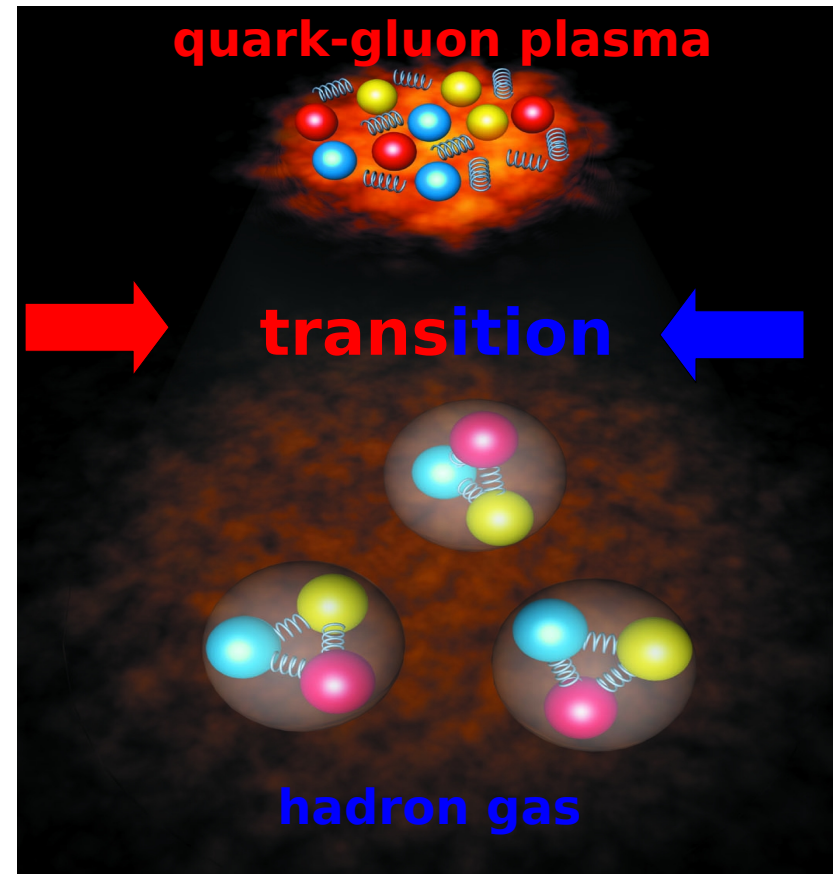
Discovery potential:

Search for the critical point of strongly interacting matter

Precision measurements:

Study the properties of the onset of deconfinement in nucleus-nucleus collisions

Measure hadron production at high transverse momenta in p+p and p+Pb collisions as reference for Pb+Pb results



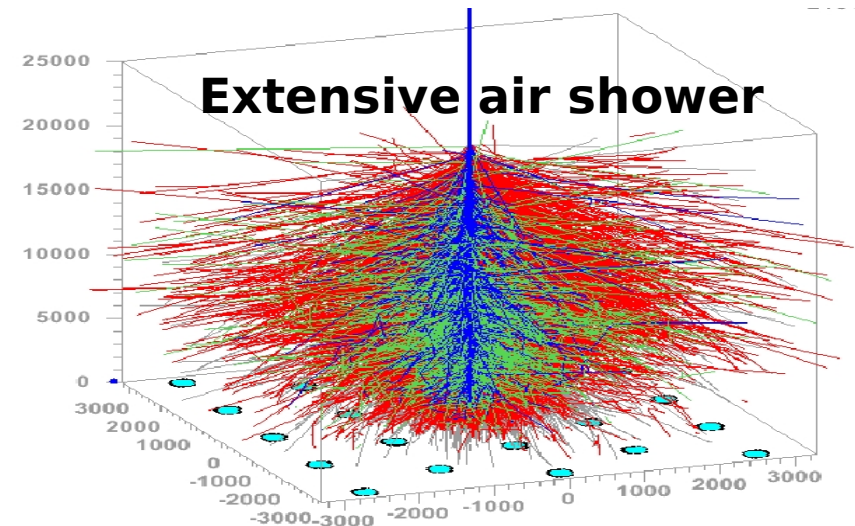
Physics goals (II):

Data for neutrino and cosmic ray experiments

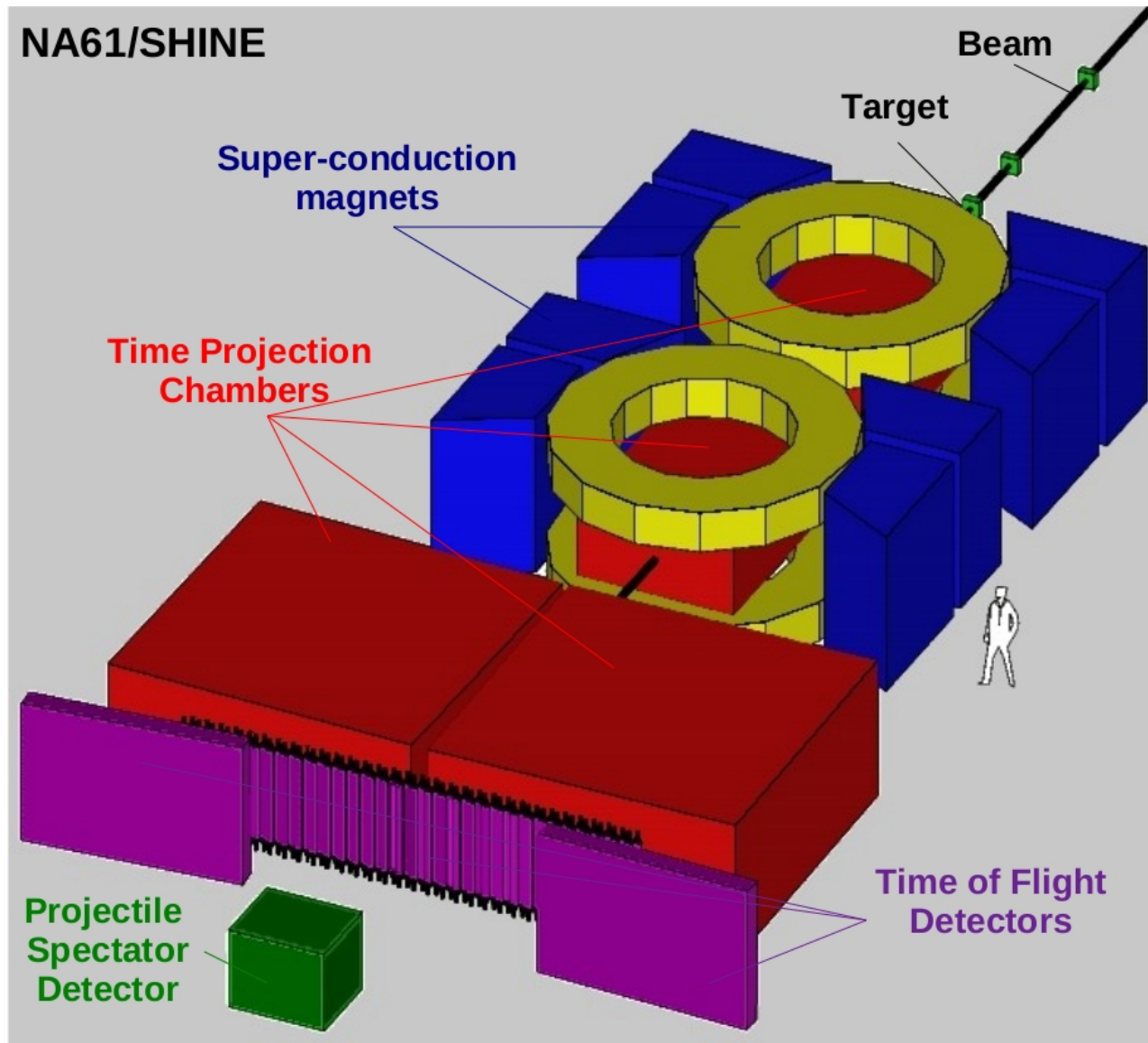
Precision measurements:

Measure hadron production in p+C interactions needed for T2K and cosmic-ray, Pierre Auger Observatory and KASCADE, experiments

Measure hadron production in the T2K target needed for the T2K (neutrino) physics



Detector



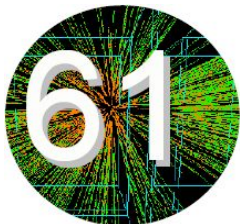
NA49 facility +

TPC read-out (x10)

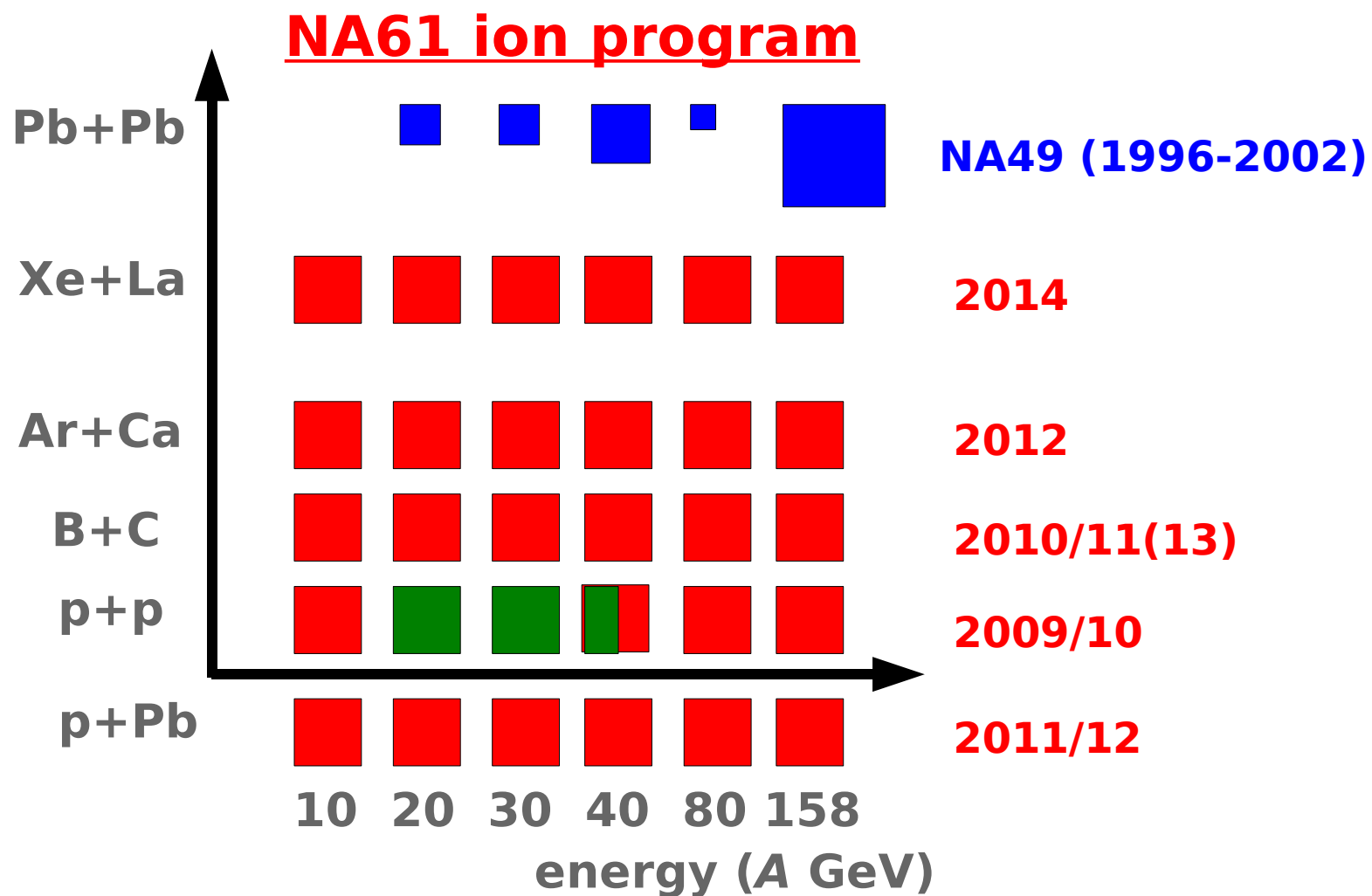
ToF (x2)

PSD (x10)

Beam pipe (x10)

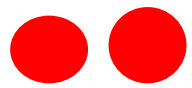


Ion data taking status and plans



The first 2D scan in history of A+A collisions

 = $2 \cdot 10^6$ registered collisions

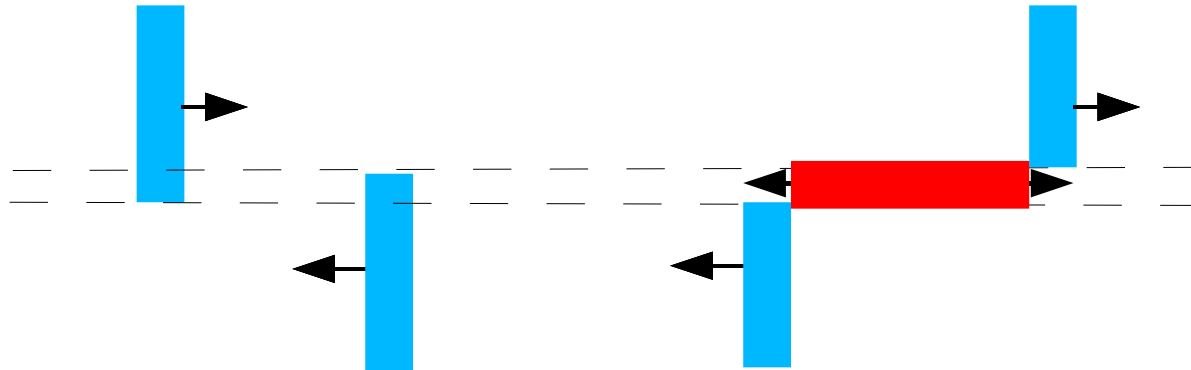


Participant number fluctuations

Initial state

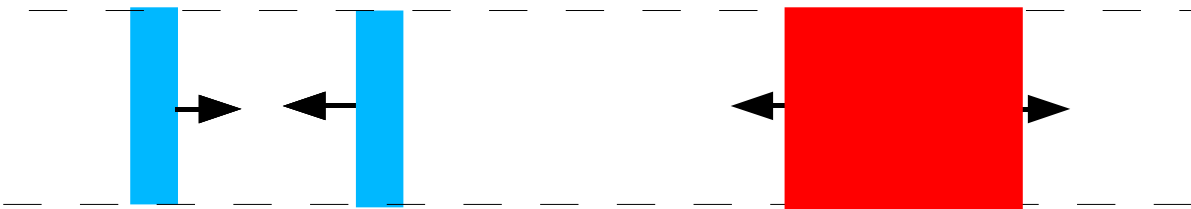
Final state

Peripheral collision



small N_p

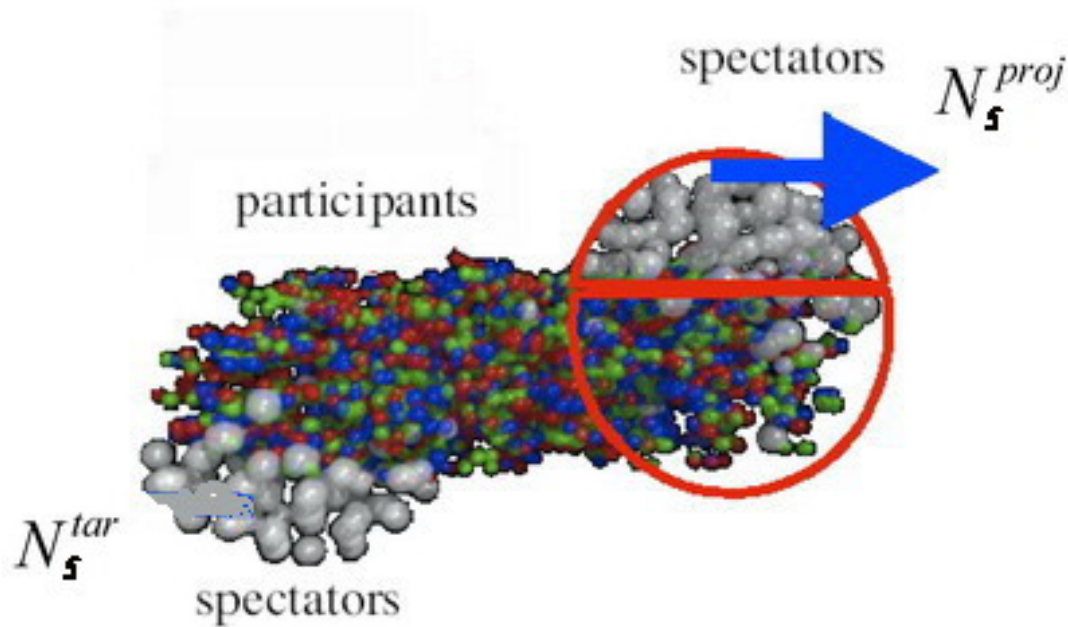
Central collision



large N_p

Fluctuations in the collision geometry lead to large fluctuations in the number of participants and are a dominant source of fluctuations in nucleus-nucleus collisions

NA61 event selection



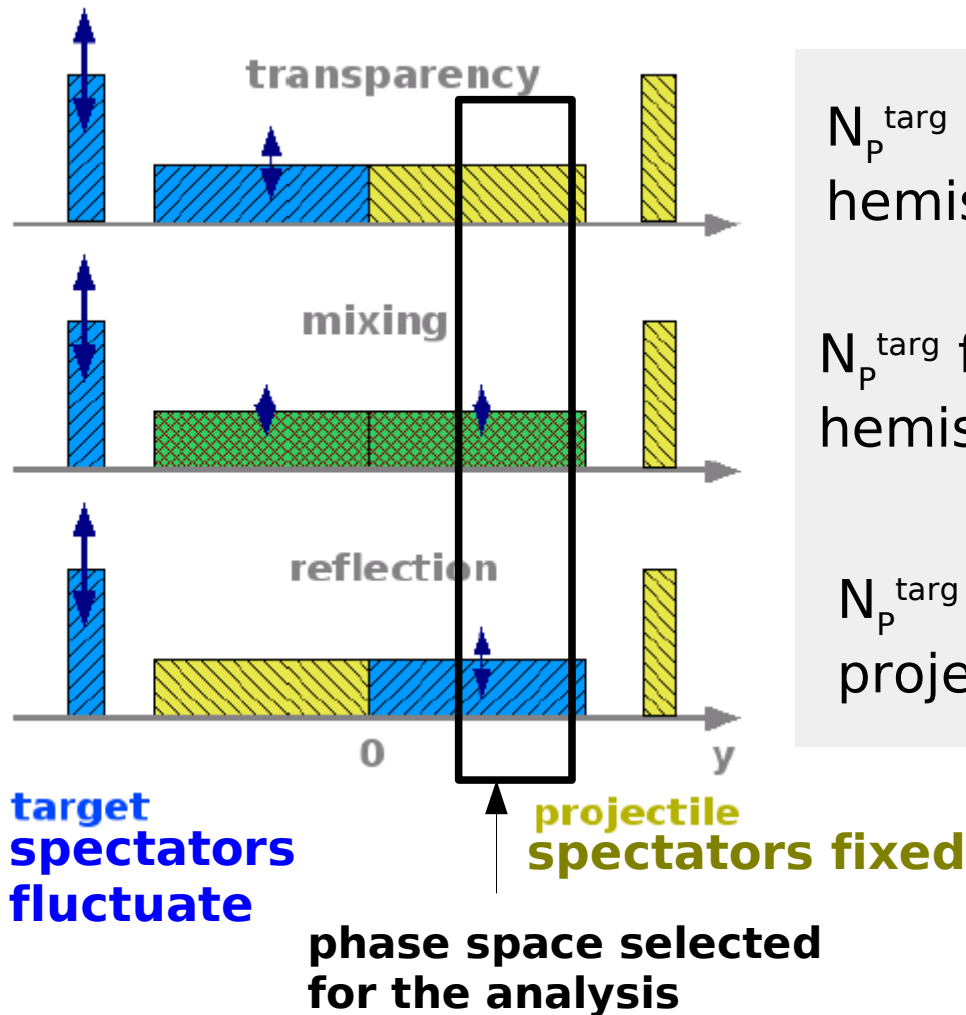
**projectile spectators
are measured by PSD**

$$N_P^{proj} = A^{proj} - N_S^{proj}$$

**collisions with fixed (± 1)
number of the projectile
participants can be selected**



Impact of target participant fluctuations



N_p^{targ} fluctuations contribute in target hemisphere (most string-hadronic models)

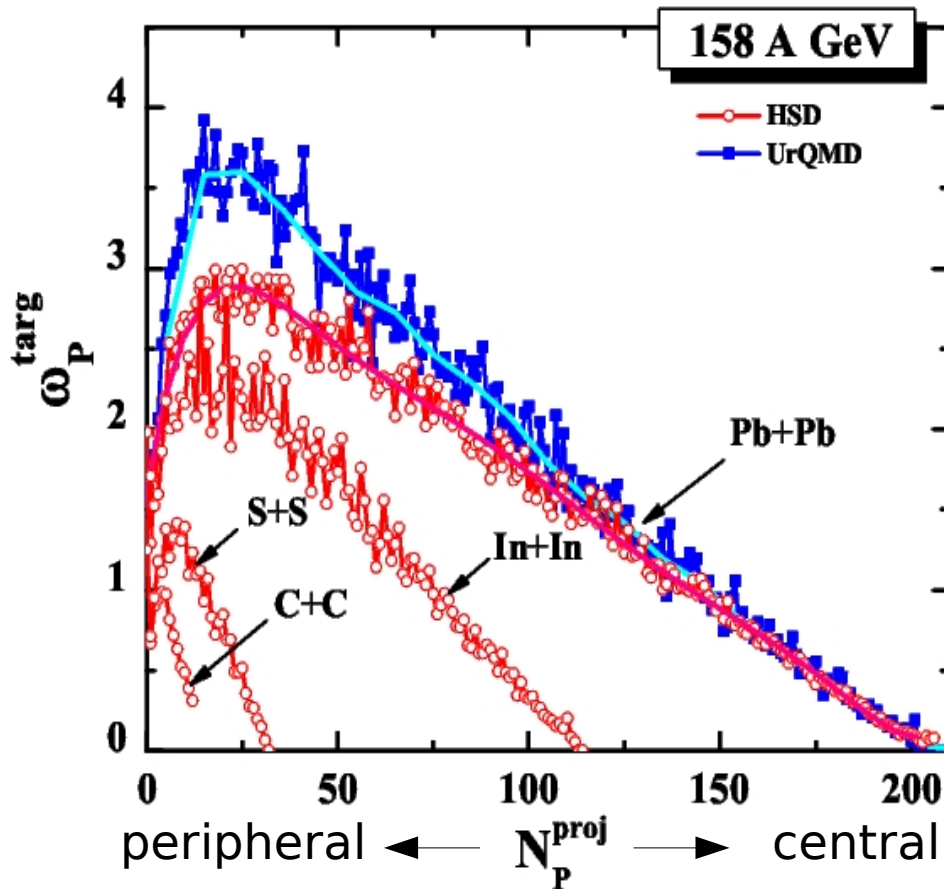
N_p^{targ} fluctuations contribute in both hemispheres (early stage thermalization)

N_p^{targ} fluctuations contribute in projectile hemisphere

Target participant fluctuations allow to study properties of the early stage of collisions, but may shadow study of other fluctuation sources (e.g. fluctuations due to the critical point)

Fixing target participant fluctuations

Fluctuations of target participants



Number of projectile participants

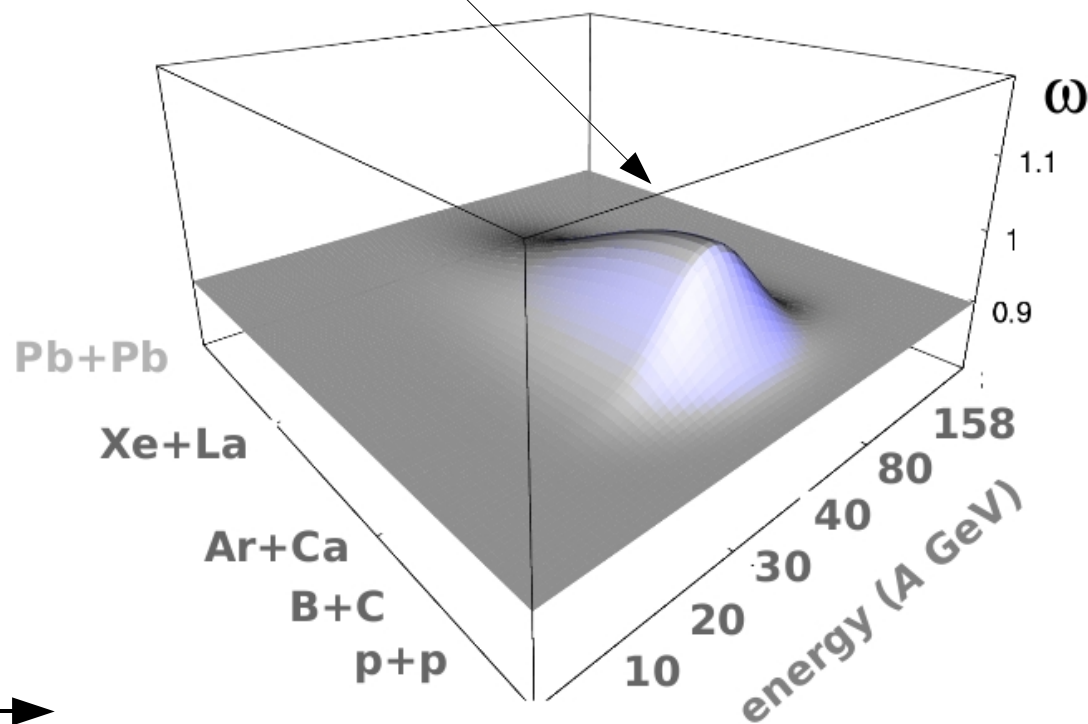
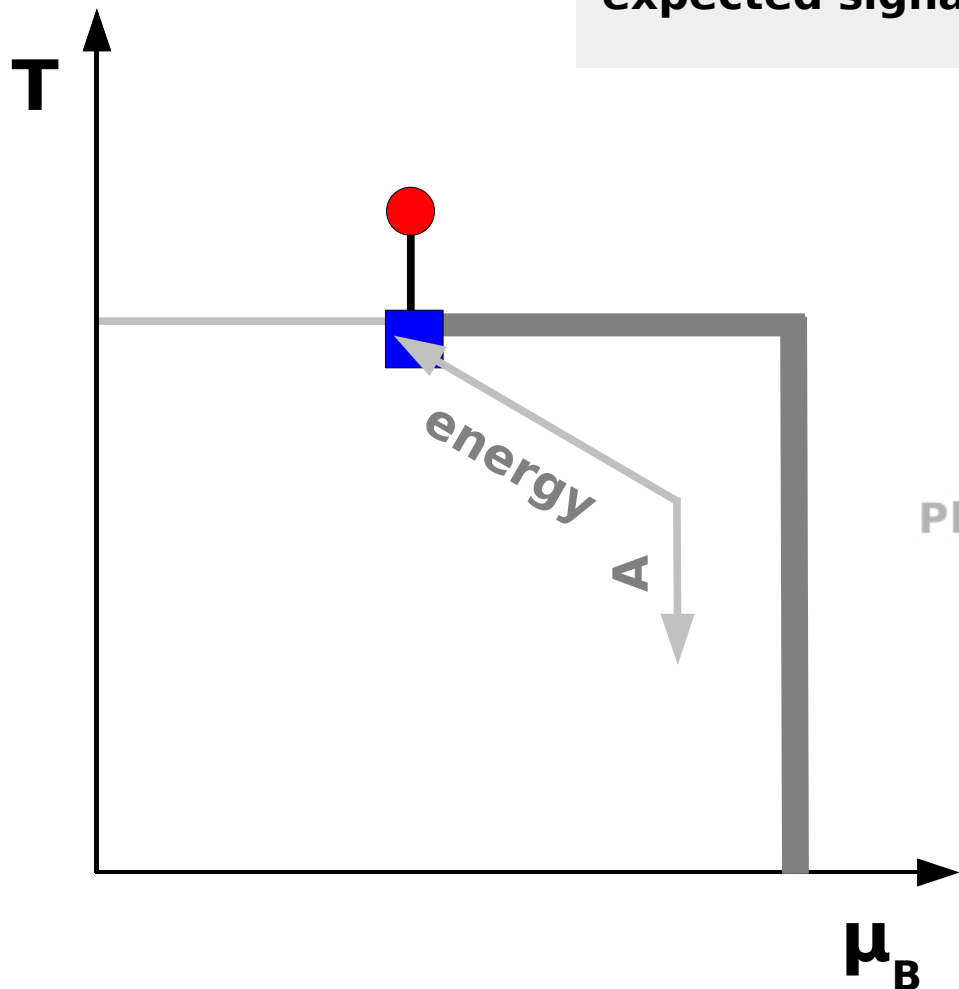


Target participant fluctuations are removed for collisions with the maximum number of spectator participants



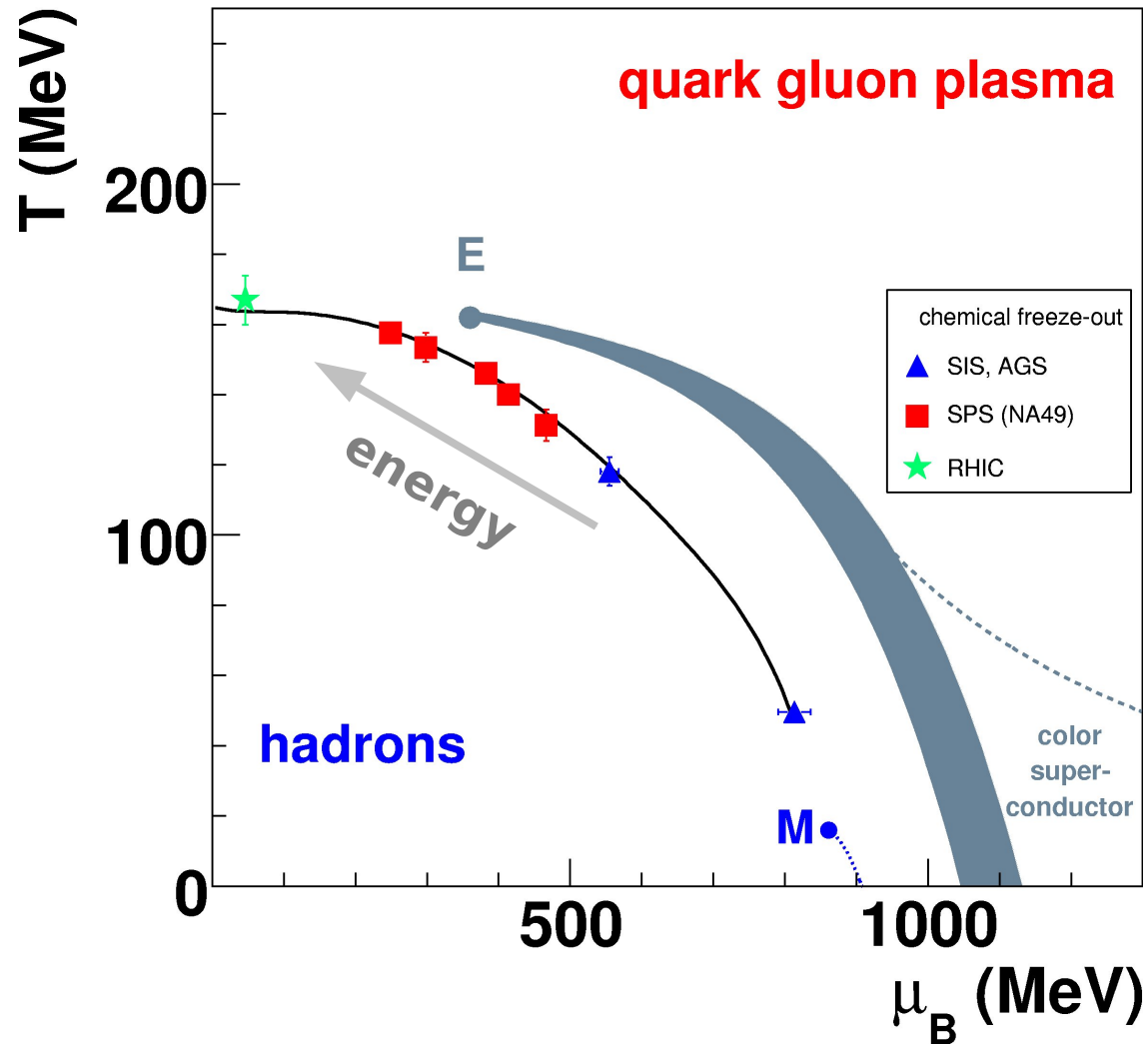
Fluctuations and search for the critical point

Critical Point:
freeze-out close to critical point,
and system large enough,
expected signal: a hill in fluctuations

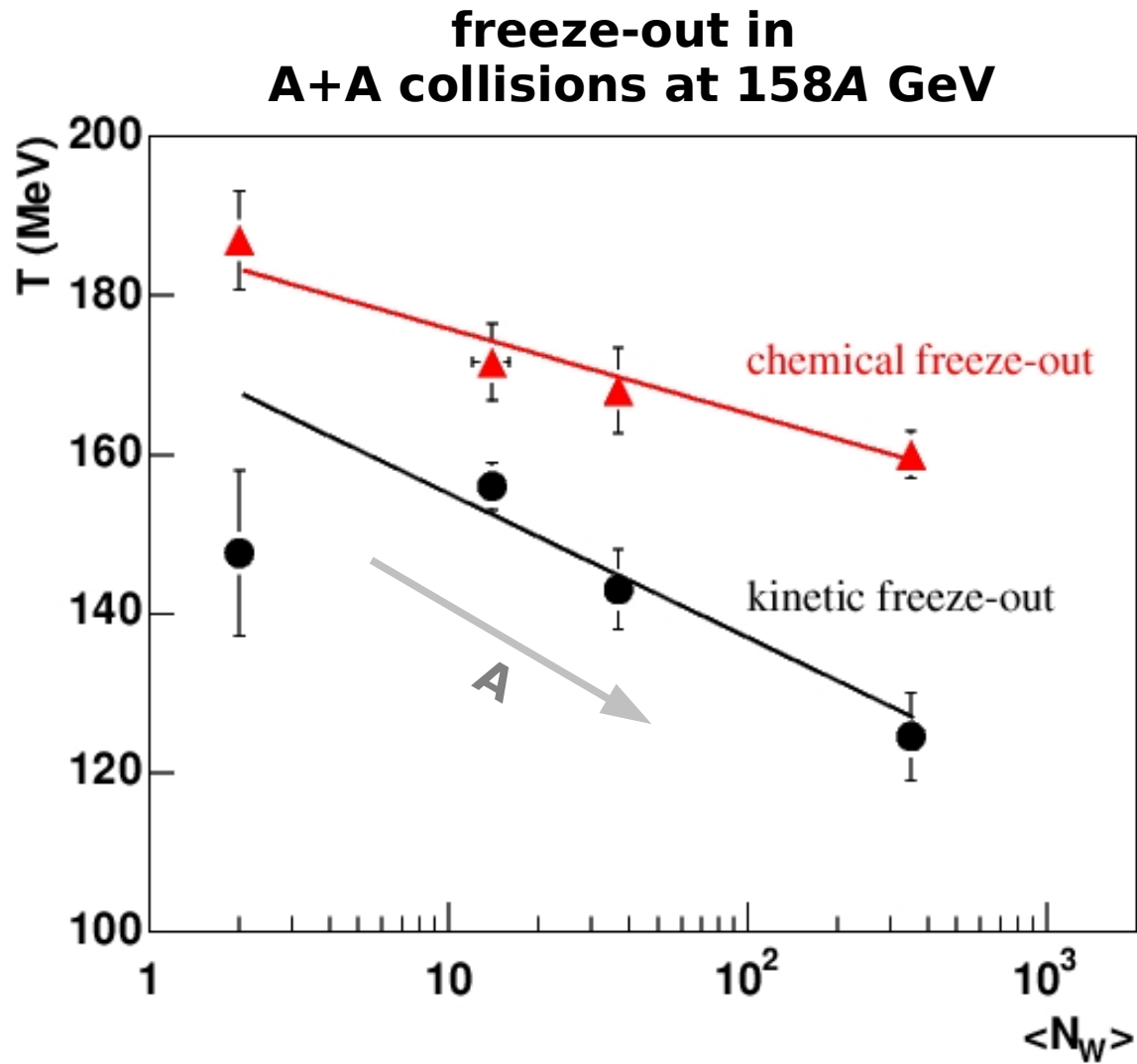


Scanning the $T - \mu_B$ plane

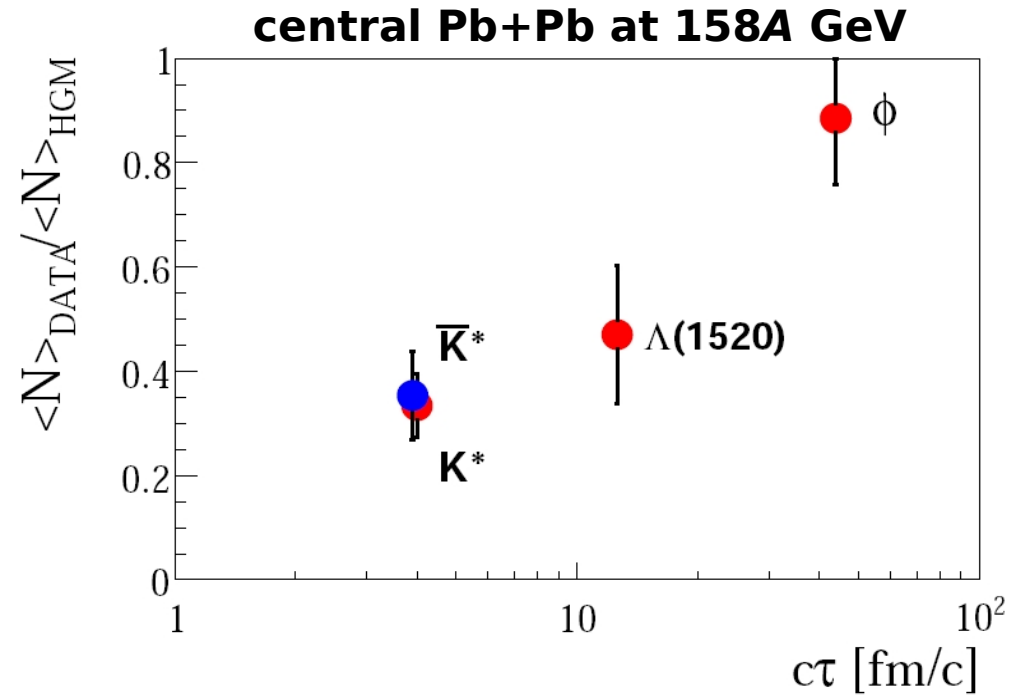
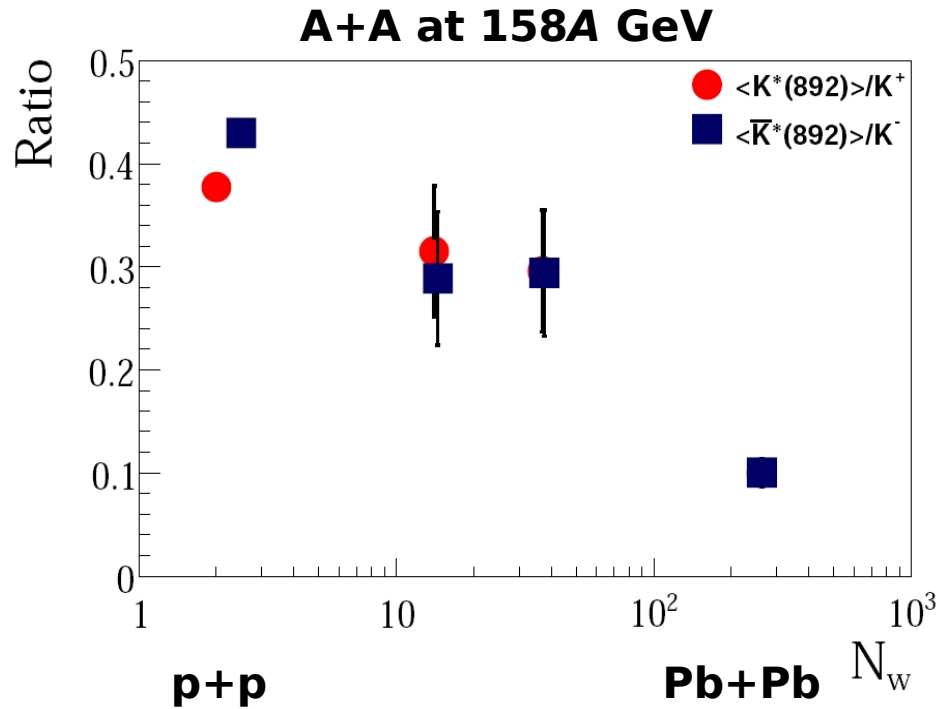
chemical freeze-out in
central Pb+Pb (Au+Au) collisions



Scanning the $T - \mu_B$ plane



Scanning the $T - \mu_B$ plane



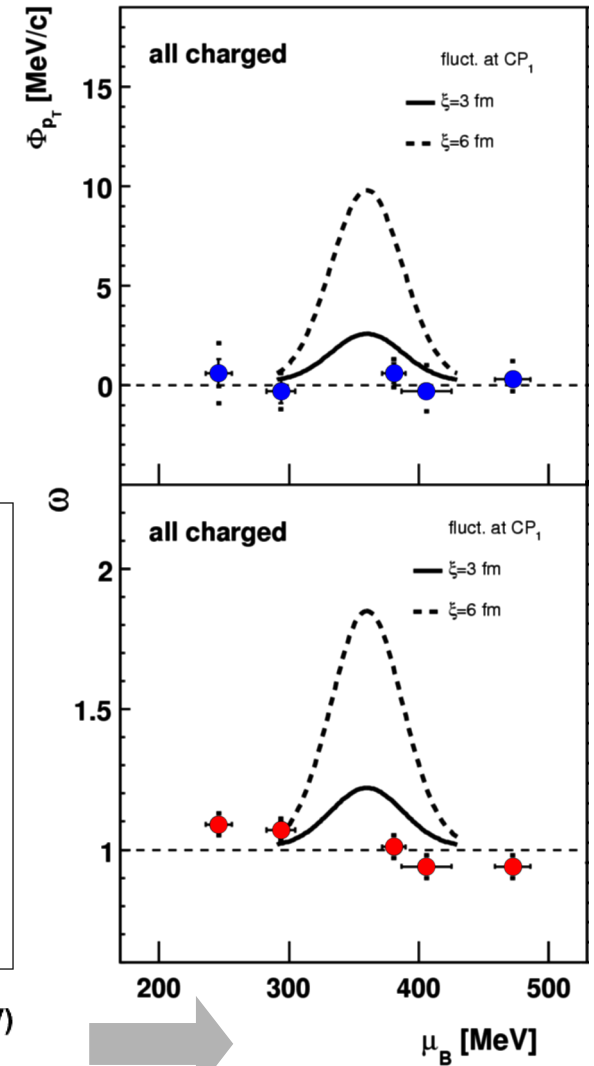
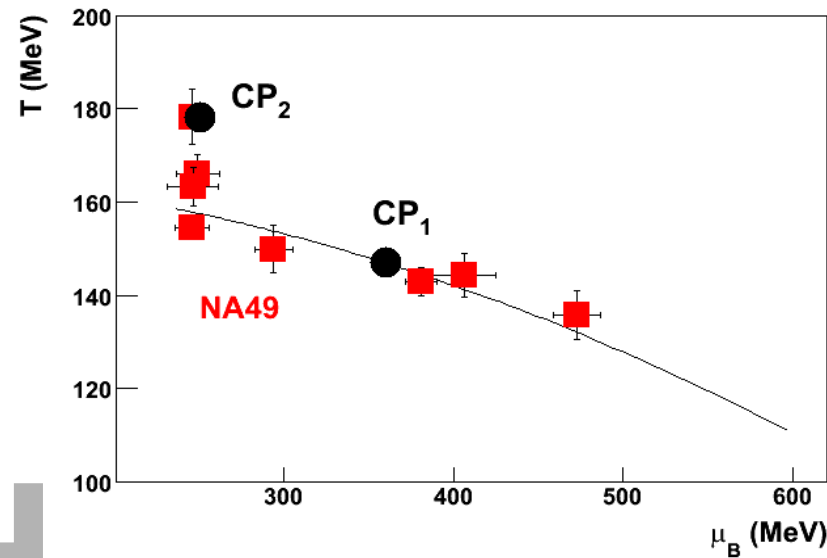
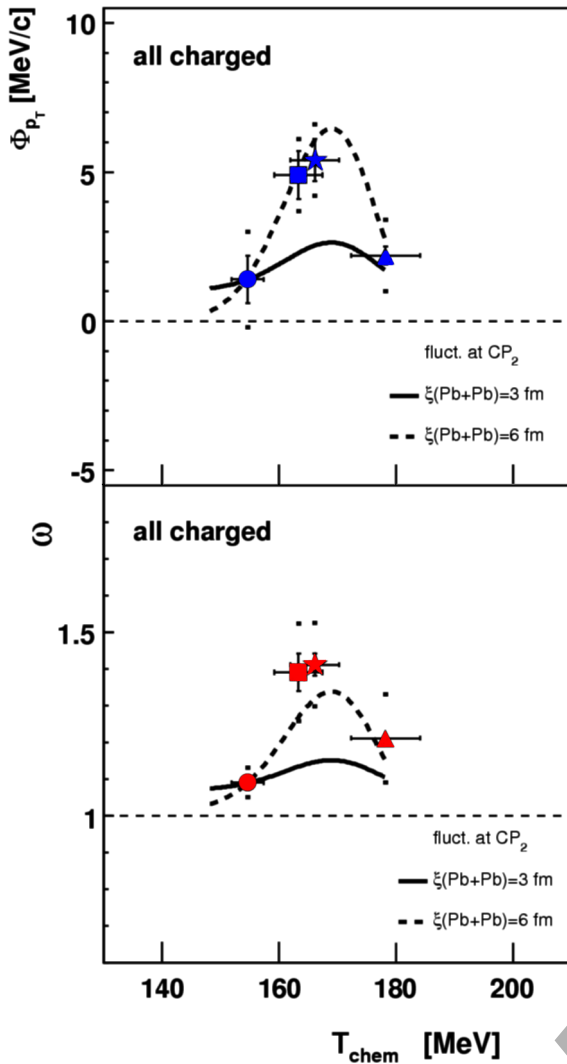
strong suppression of the resonance yield in central Pb+Pb collisions

The suppression increases with decreasing resonance life-time

Rescattering of decay products in the long lasting hadronic phase

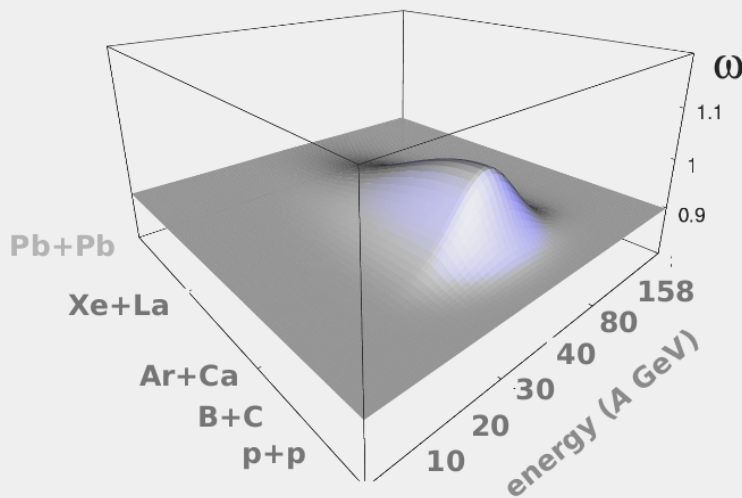
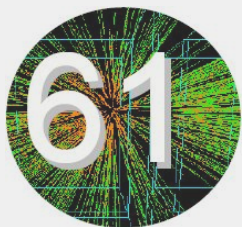
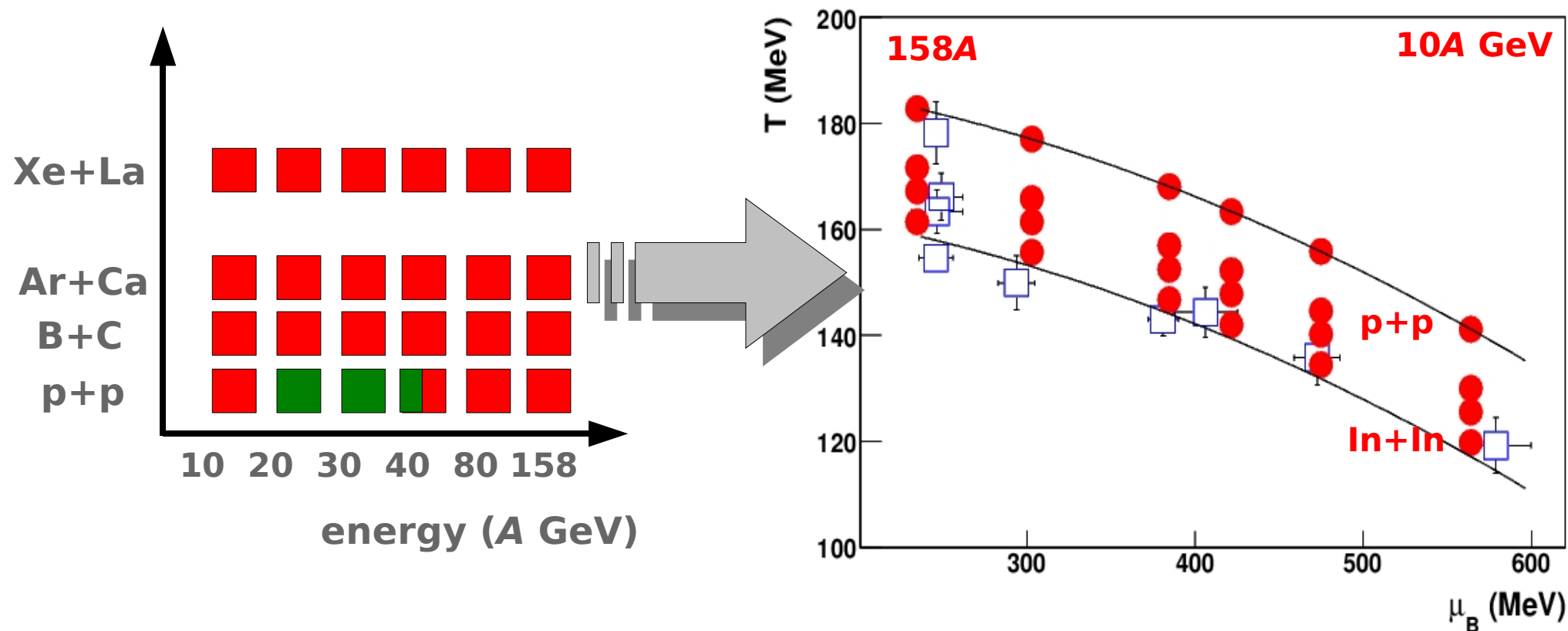
The K^* freeze-out temperature decreases with increasing system size

NA49 search for the critical point



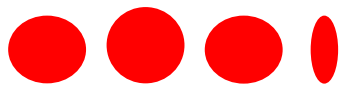
First hint of the fluctuation hill?

Search for the critical point

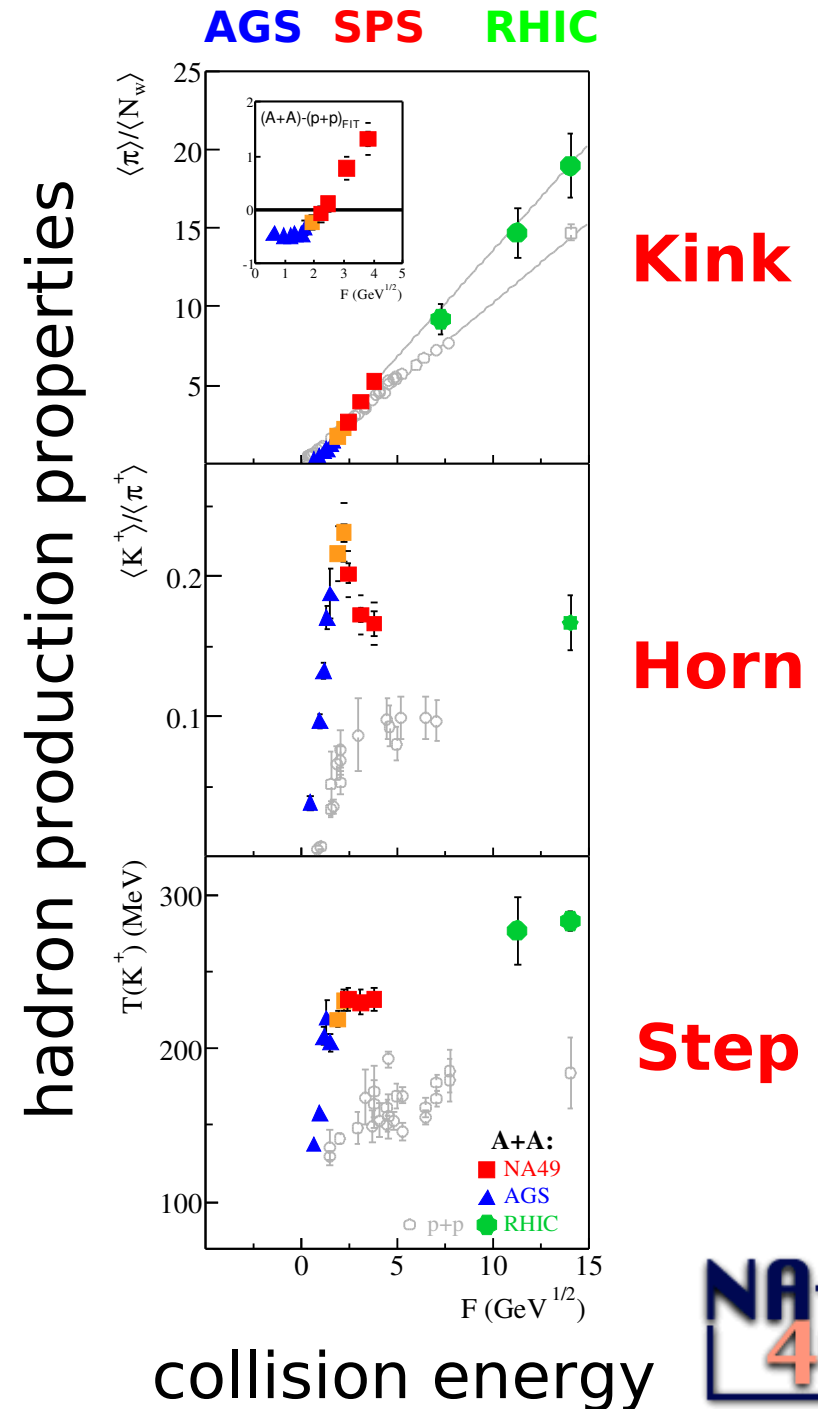
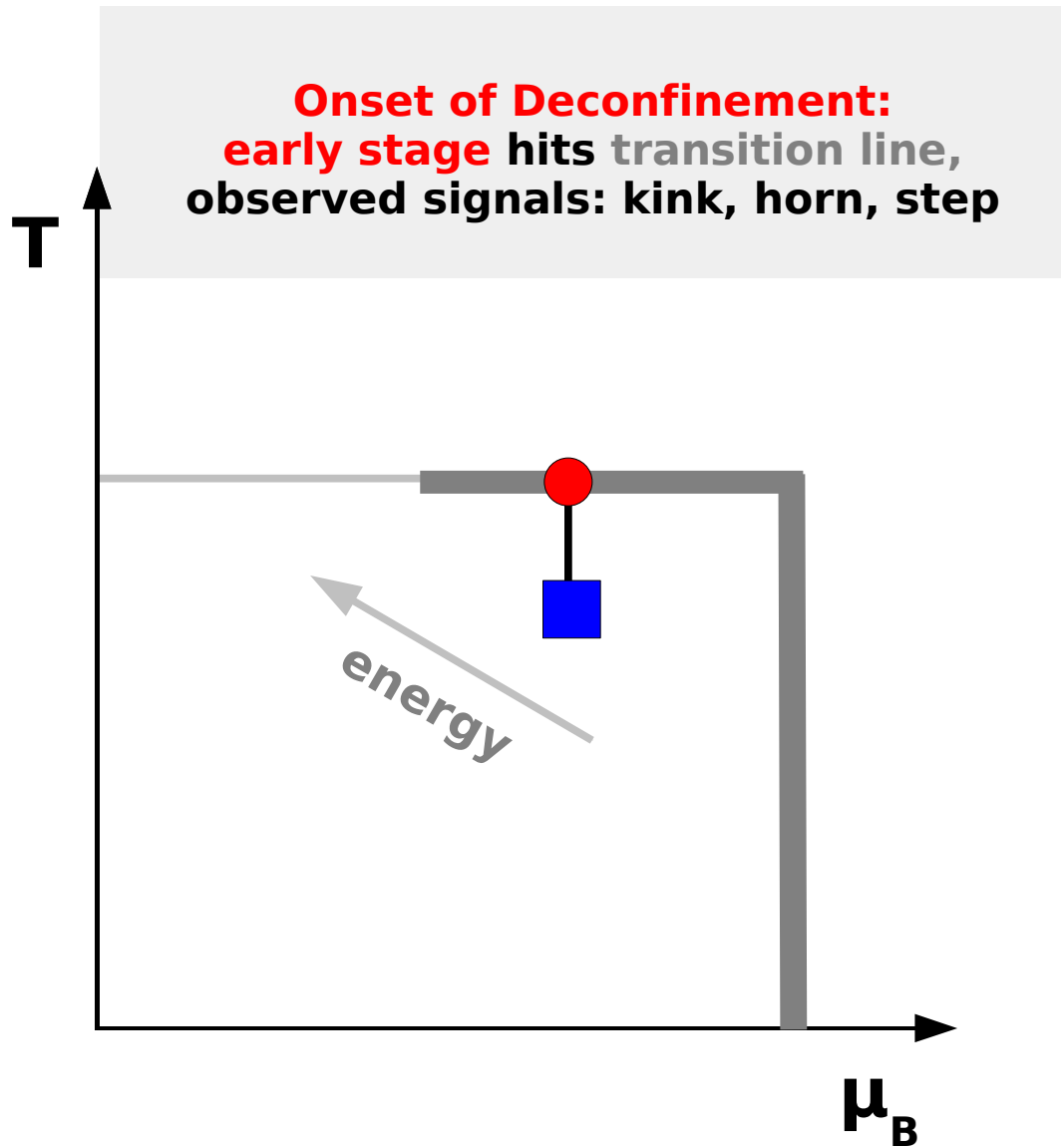


Search for the hill of fluctuations

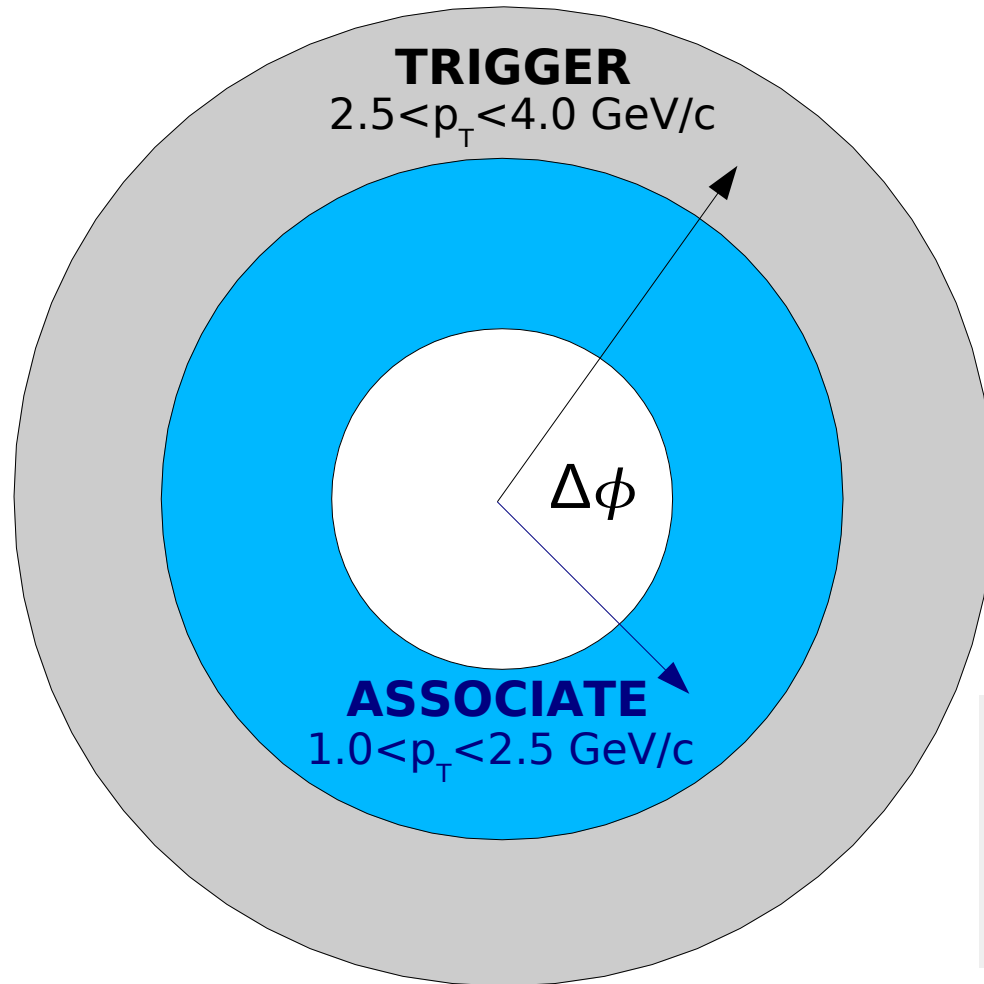
Discovery potential



Correlations and the onset of deconfinement



Energy dependence of azimuthal correlations

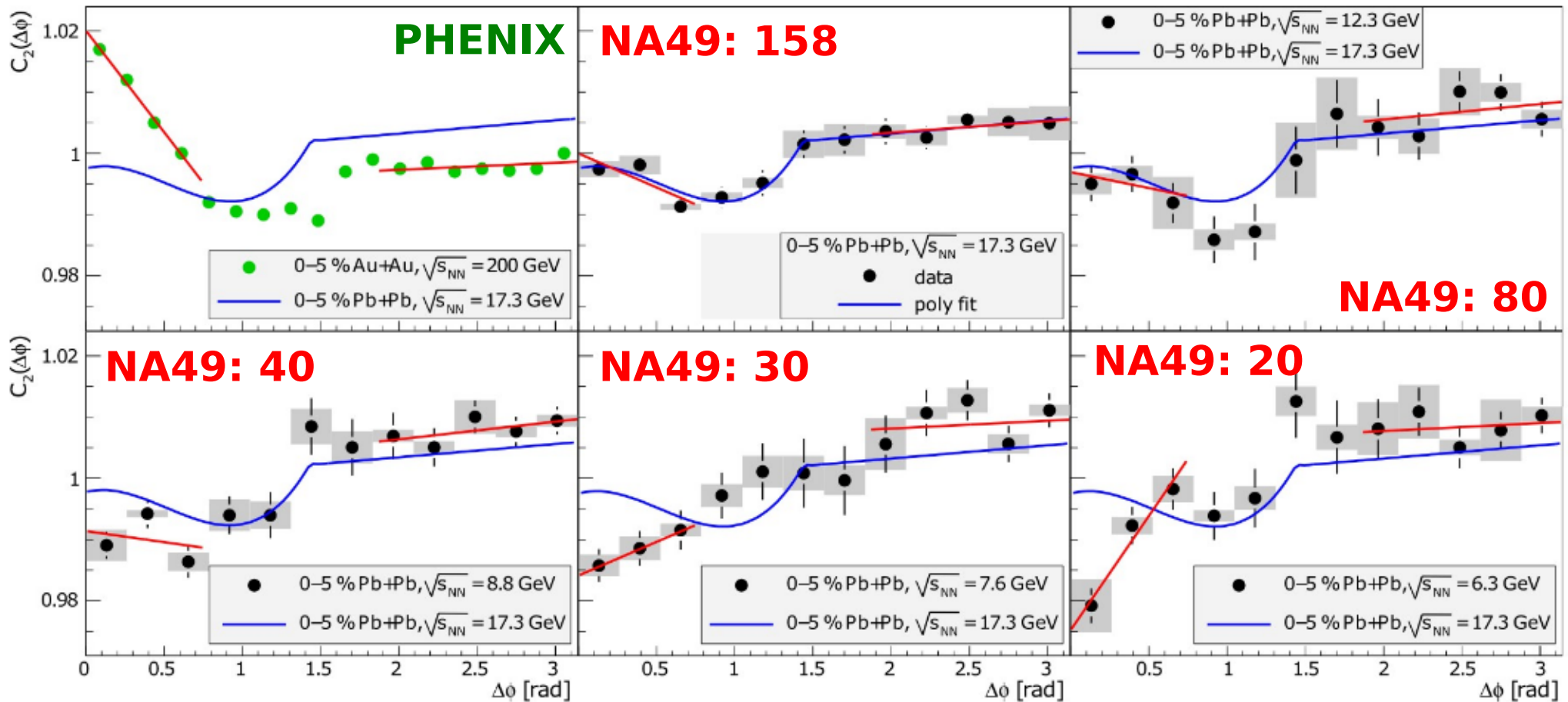


The azimuthal correlation function:

$$C_2(\Delta\phi) = \frac{N_{corr}(\Delta\phi)}{N_{mix}(\Delta\phi)} \frac{\int N_{mix}(\Delta\phi') d(\Delta\phi')}{\int N_{corr}(\Delta\phi') d(\Delta\phi')}$$

Plane transverse to the collision axis

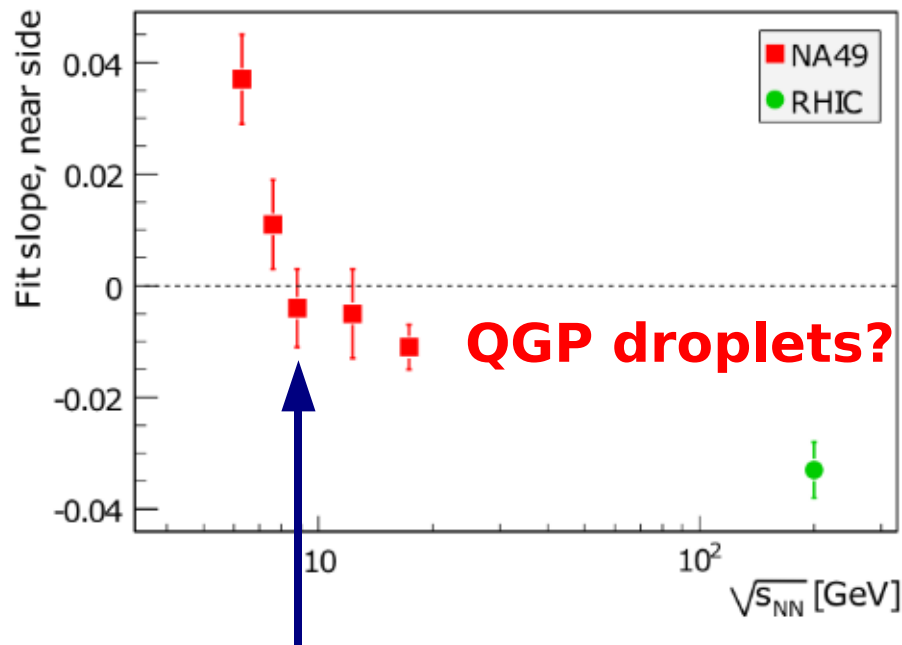
Energy dependence of azimuthal correlations



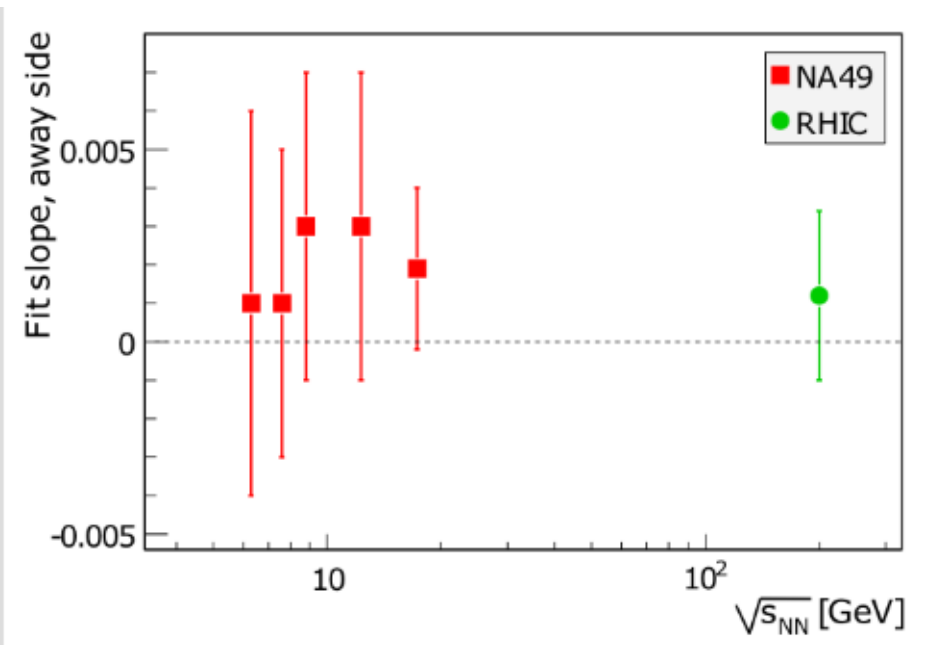
**The jet-hole transition
at the low SPS energies**

Energy dependence of azimuthal correlations

momentum conservation?



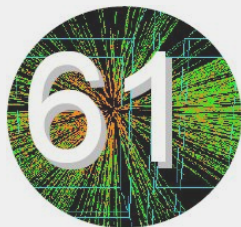
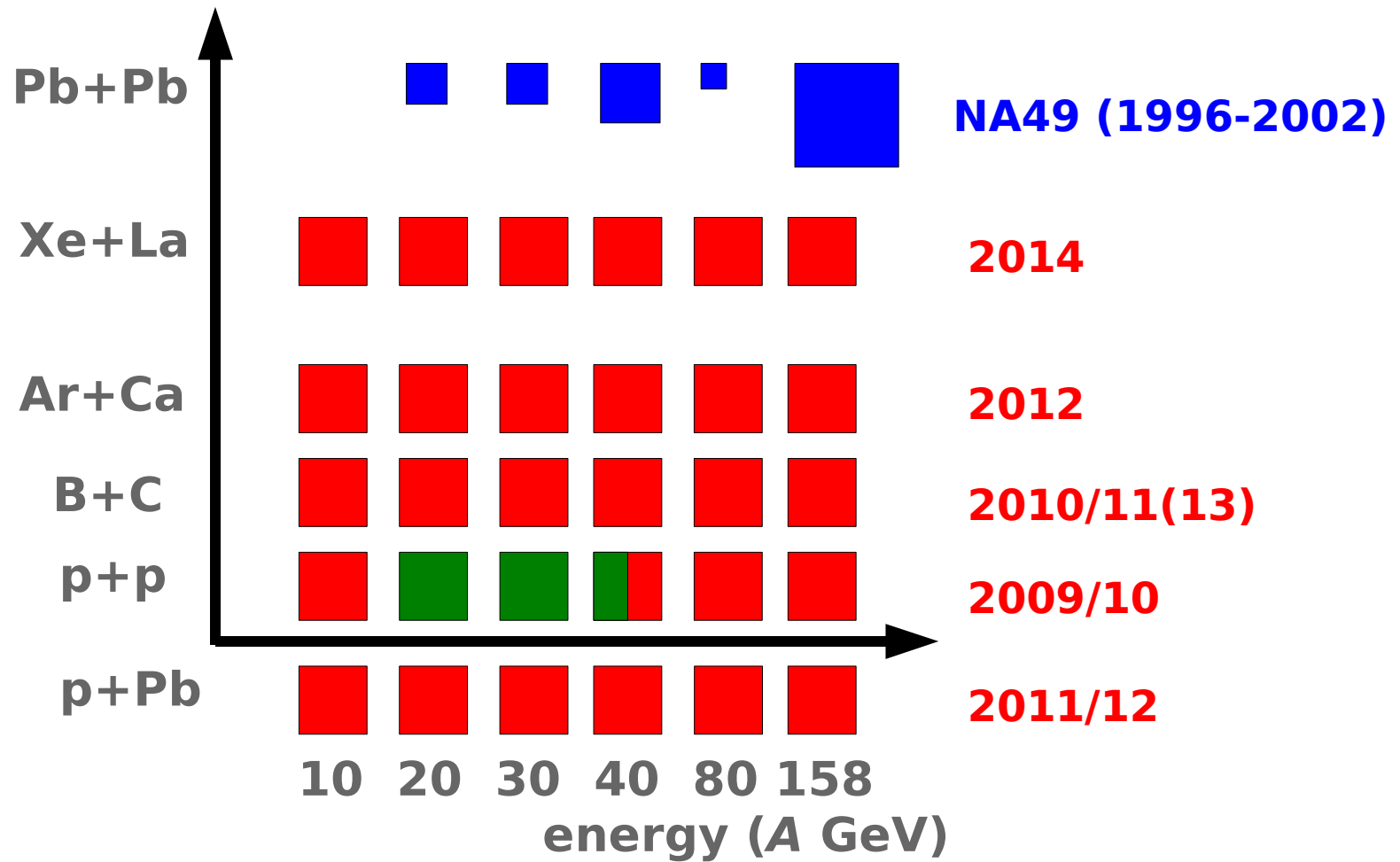
momentum conservation?



**Horn
Kink
Step** +

**The jet-hole transition
at the low SPS energies**

Study the onset of deconfinement



**Precision measurements following
the NA49 discovery**

Conclusions:

Study of fluctuations and correlations within NA61 will play crucial role in:

-search for the critical point and

-study of properties of the onset of deconfinement



Additional slides

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University of Bern, Bern, Switzerland

KFKI IPNP, Budapest, Hungary

Cape Town University, Cape Town, South Africa

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Experimental landscape of complementary programs of nucleus-nucleus collisions around the SPS energies

Facility:	SPS	RHIC	NICA	SIS-100 (SIS-300)
Exp.:	NA61	STAR PHENIX	MPD	CBM
Start:	2011(2)	2011	2015	2017 (2019)
Pb Energy: (GeV/(N+N))	4.9-17.3	4.9-50	≤9	≤5 (<8.5)
Event rate: (at 8 GeV)	100 Hz	1 Hz(?)	≤10 kHz	≤10 MHz
Physics:	CP&OD	CP&OD	OD&HDM	HDM (OD)

CP – critical point

OD – onset of deconfinement, mixed phase, 1st order PT

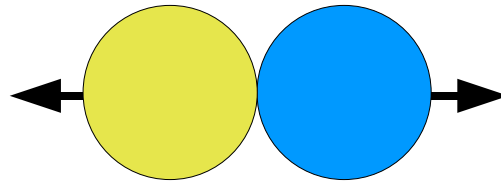
HDM – hadrons in dense matter

Fluctuations and the early stage thermalization

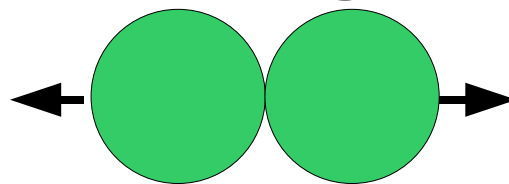
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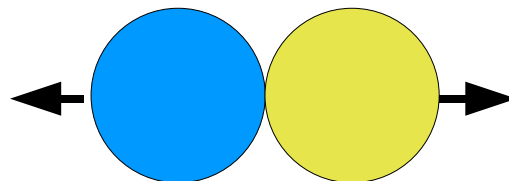
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mixing



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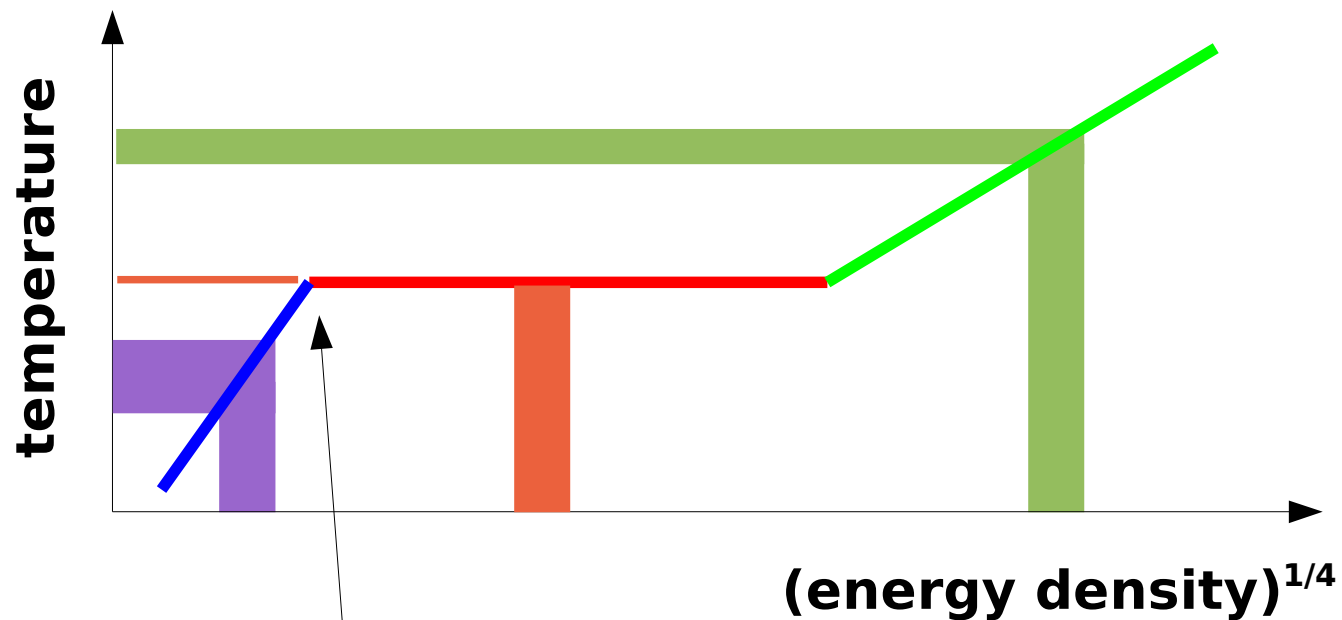


final
states

■ ■ Strangeness fluctuations

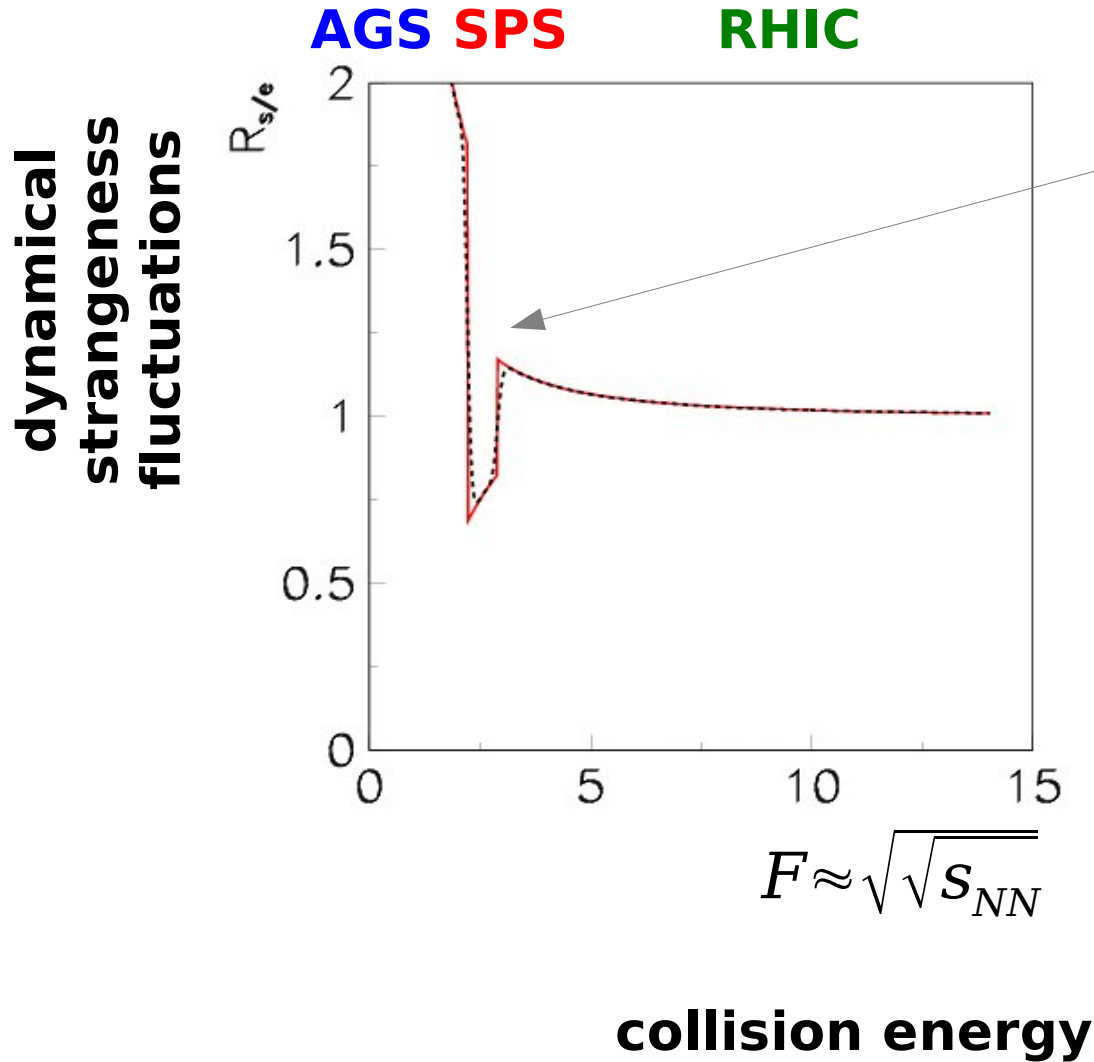
The basic idea as for multiplicity fluctuations

Response to the initial energy density fluctuations depends on the Equation of State at the early stage of the collisions



onset of deconfinement

... and the energy dependence of
dynamical strangeness fluctuations



**The onset of
deconfinement
is signaled by
a "tooth" -like
structure**

The proposed measure

Model: $R_{s/e} \equiv \frac{(\delta N_s)^2 / N_s^2}{(\delta S)^2 / S^2}$

Experiment: $\frac{\delta N_s}{N_s} \approx \frac{\delta \bar{n}_K}{\bar{n}_K} \quad \frac{\delta S}{S} \approx \frac{\delta \bar{n}}{\bar{n}}$

The $R_{s/e}$ measure is:

- + sensitive to the EoS,
- + insensitive to the initial energy density fluctuations,
- sensitive to the geometrical fluctuations,
- sensitive to global conservation laws

The NA49 measure

$$R_{NA49}^2 \equiv (\delta n_K/n)^2 / \langle n_K/n \rangle^2$$

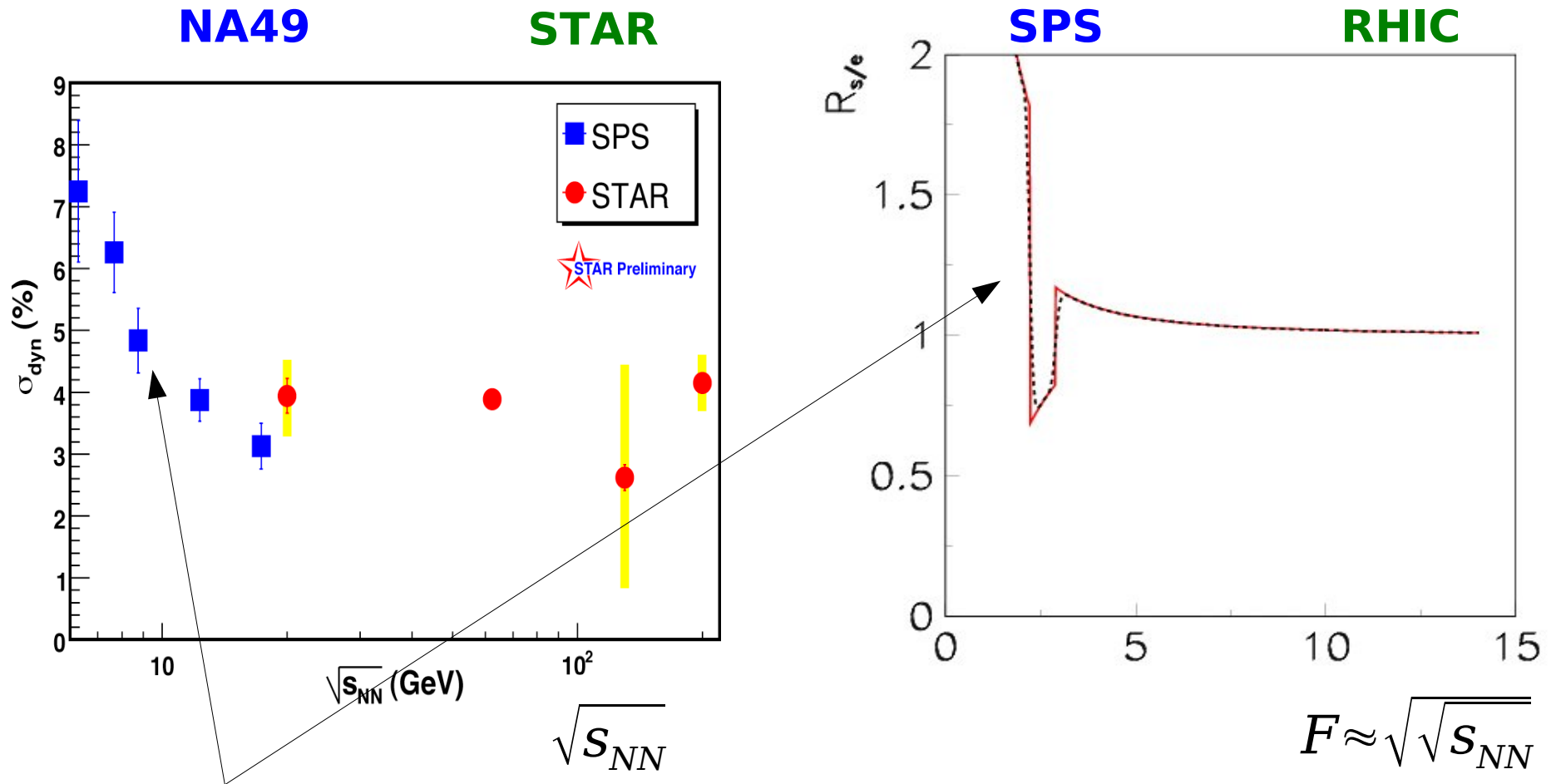
$$(R_{s/e} \equiv (\delta n_K)^2 / \bar{n}_K^2 / (\delta n)^2 / \bar{n}^2)$$

The R_{NA49} measure is:

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Difficult, further work is needed!

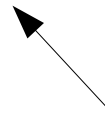
The NA49+STAR data



Is the increase of fluctuations due to the onset of deconfinement?

Model calculations needed!!!

ϕ_x - **strongly intensive** **measure of fluctuations**



independent of volume

independent of volume fluctuations

$$\phi_x \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\langle Z^2 \rangle}{\langle N \rangle}} - \sqrt{\bar{z}^2}; \quad z \equiv x - \bar{x}; \quad Z \equiv \sum_{i=1}^N z$$

ϕ_x is independent of:

- volume and volume fluctuations in thermodynamical models,
- number of wounded nucleons and their fluctuations in WNM,
- acceptance in rapidity in a boost invariant hydro-model,
- ...