

Exploring the partonic phase at finite chemical potential within heavy-ion collisions

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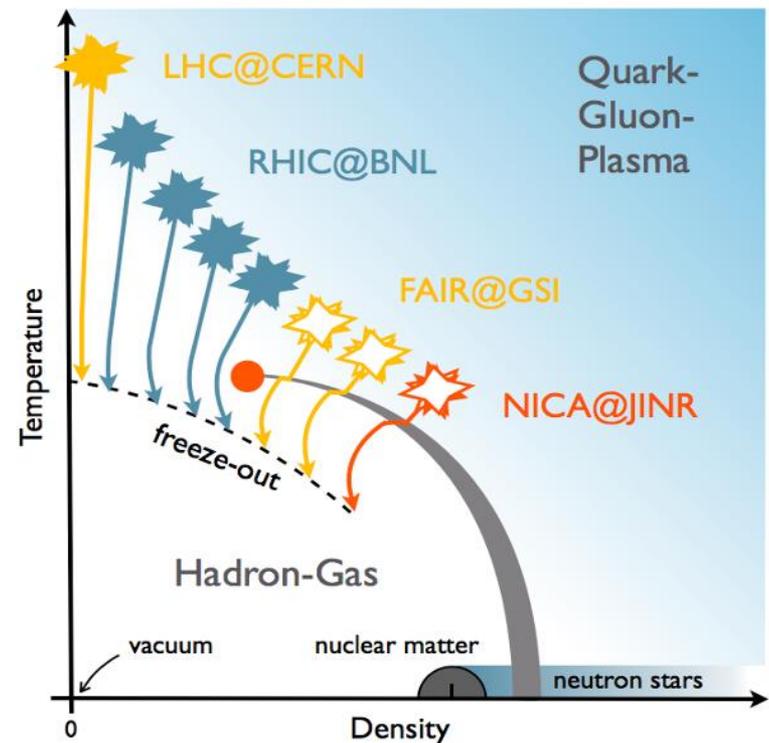
Motivations

- Explore the **QCD phase diagram** at finite temperature and chemical potential through heavy-ion collisions

- Available information:

- Experimental data at SPS, BES at RHIC
- Lattice QCD calculation

Probes of the QGP at finite (T, μ_B)

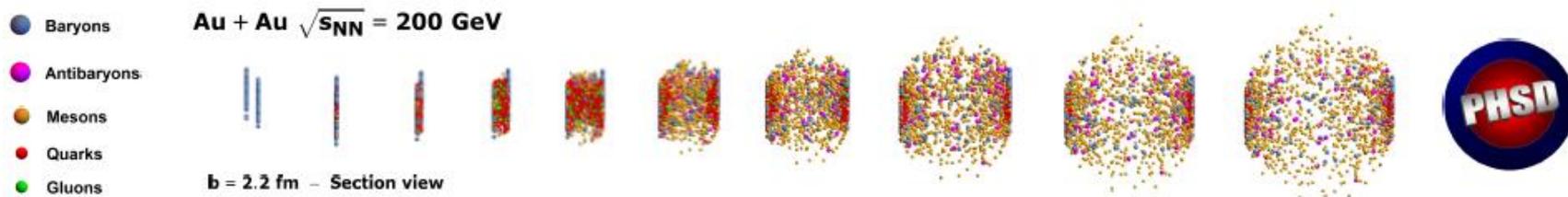


Dynamical description of HIC

- **Goal:** Study the properties of **strongly interacting matter** under extreme conditions from a **microscopic point of view**
- **Realization:** dynamical many-body transport approach

Parton-Hadron-String-Dynamics (PHSD)

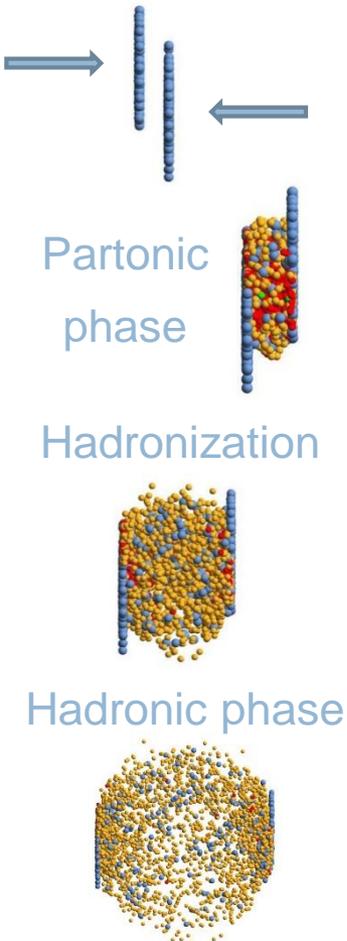
- Explicit **parton-parton interactions**, **explicit transition** from hadronic to partonic degrees of freedom
- **Transport theory:** **off-shell** transport equations in phase-space representation based on **Kadanoff-Baym equations** for the **partonic** and **hadronic phase**



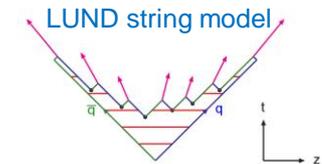
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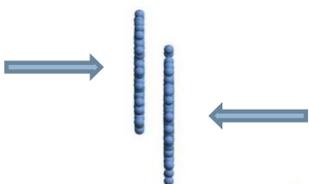


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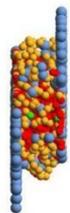


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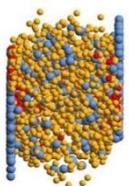
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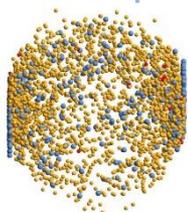
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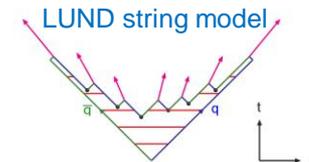
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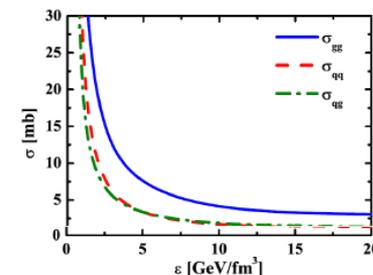
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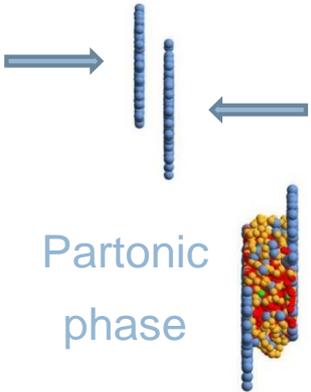
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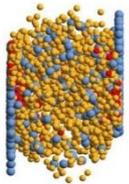
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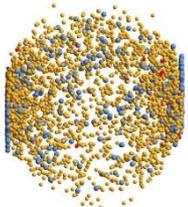


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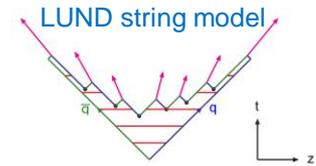
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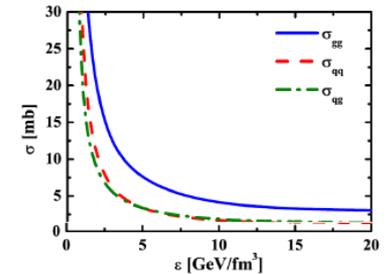
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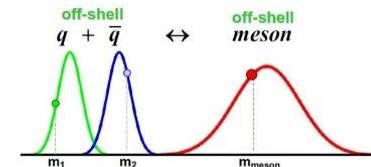


- **Hadronization** to **colorless off-shell mesons and baryons**

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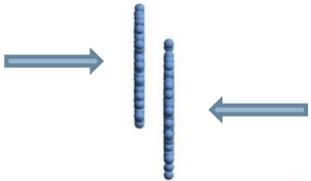
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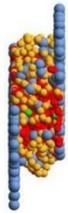


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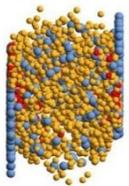
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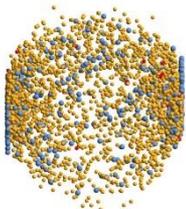
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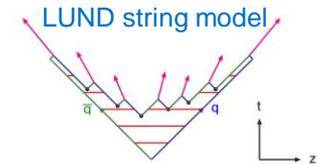
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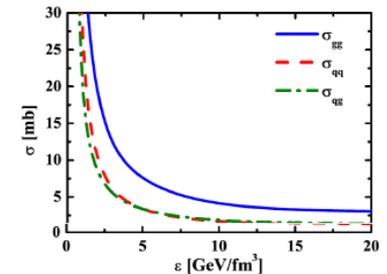
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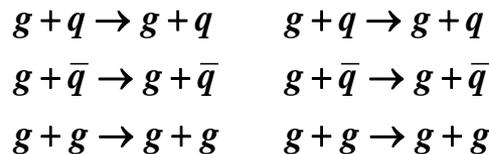
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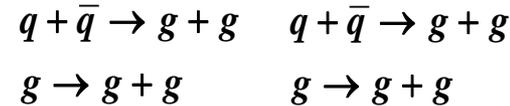
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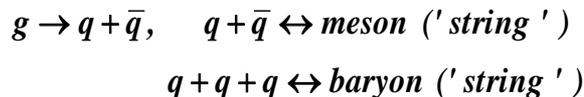
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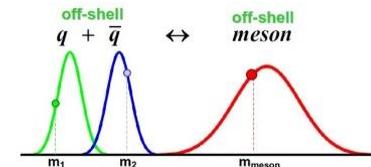
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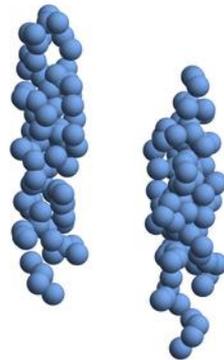
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$t = 0.15 \text{ fm}/c$



Au+Au @ 35 AGeV

b = 2.2 fm – Section view



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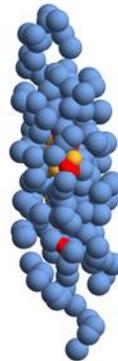
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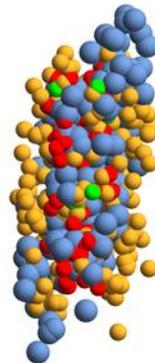
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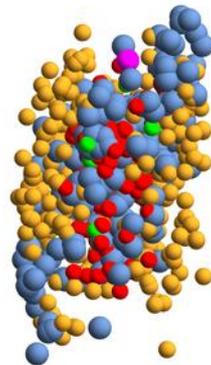
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-  Baryons (397)
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-  Mesons (554)
-  Quarks (199)
-  Gluons (20)

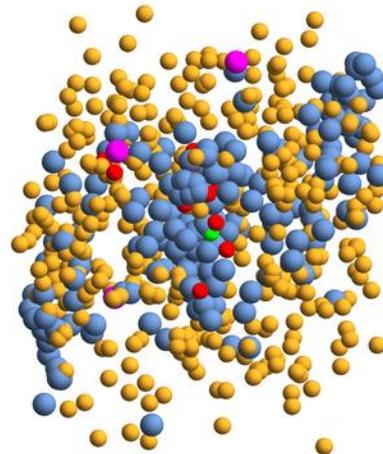
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$t = 10.45 \text{ fm}/c$



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-  Baryons (399)
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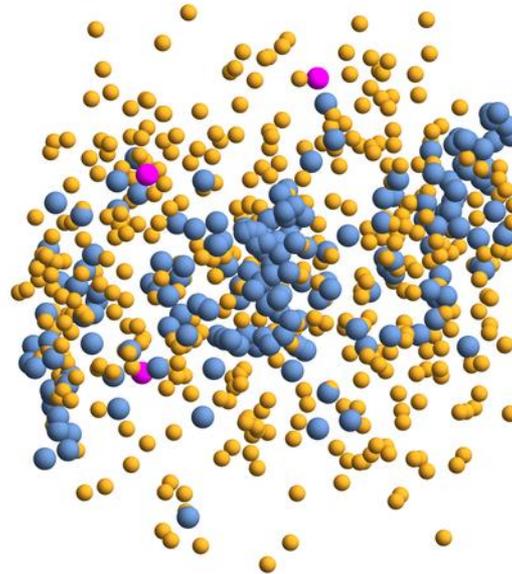
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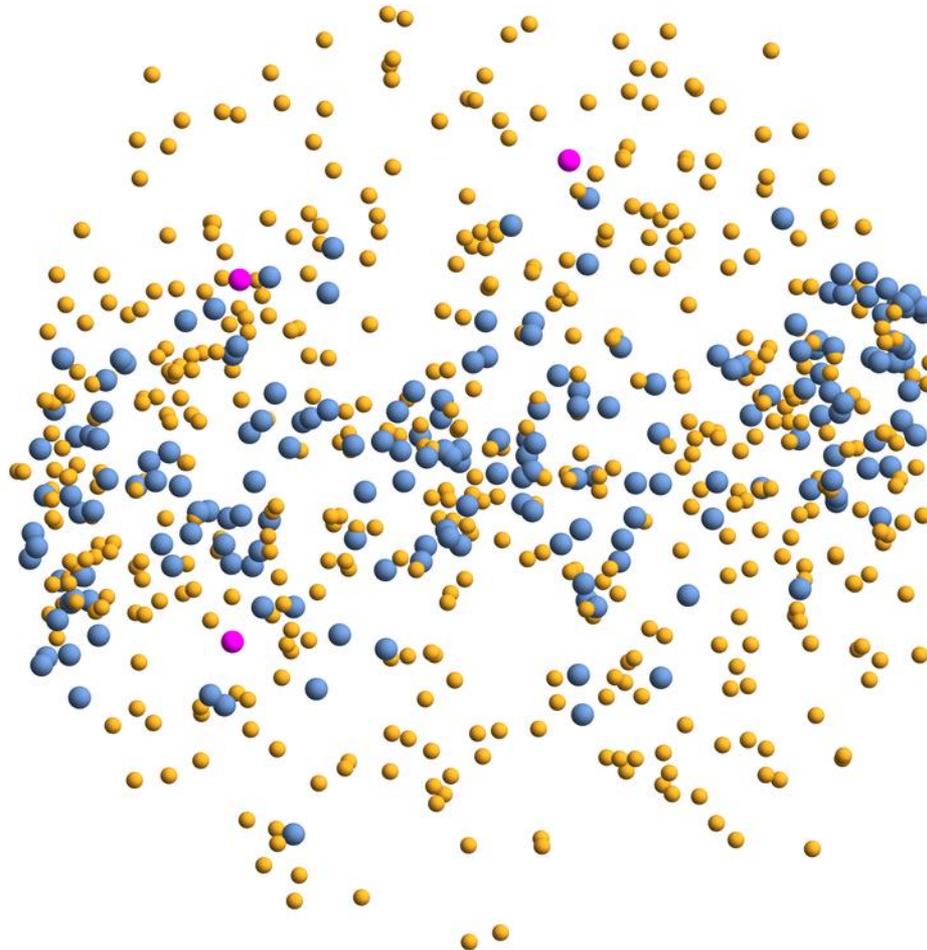
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-  Baryons (399)
-  Antibaryons (5)
-  Mesons (817)
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Stages of a collision in PHSD

$t = 23.0999 \text{ fm}/c$



Au+Au @ 35 AGeV

b = 2.2 fm – Section view

-  Baryons (399)
-  Antibaryons (5)
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-  Quarks (0)
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Stages of a collision in PHSD

$t = 37.6497 \text{ fm/c}$



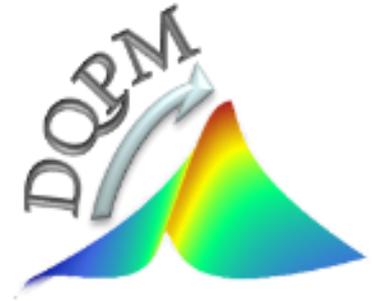
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DQPM (T, μ_B)



QCD EoS, partonic interactions

Lattice data at finite (T, μ_B)

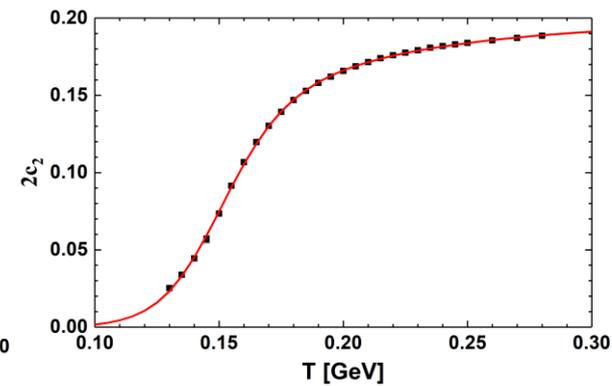
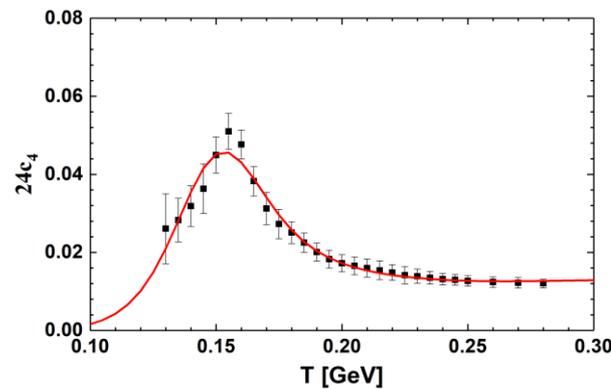
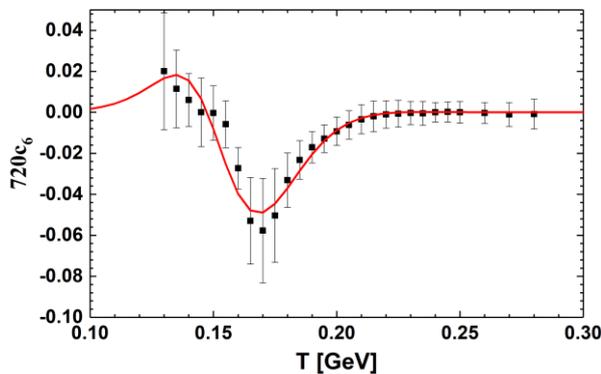
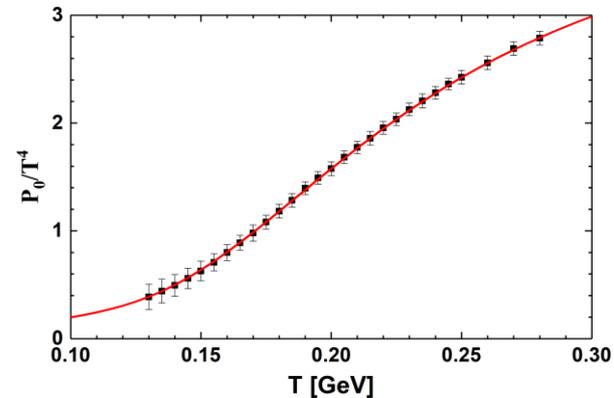
- Taylor series of thermodynamic quantities in terms of (μ_B/T)

- For the pressure, we get:

$$\frac{P}{T^4} = c_0(T) + c_2(T) \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^2 + c_4(T) \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^4 + c_6(T) \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^6 + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^8)$$

- Conditions of heavy-ion collisions

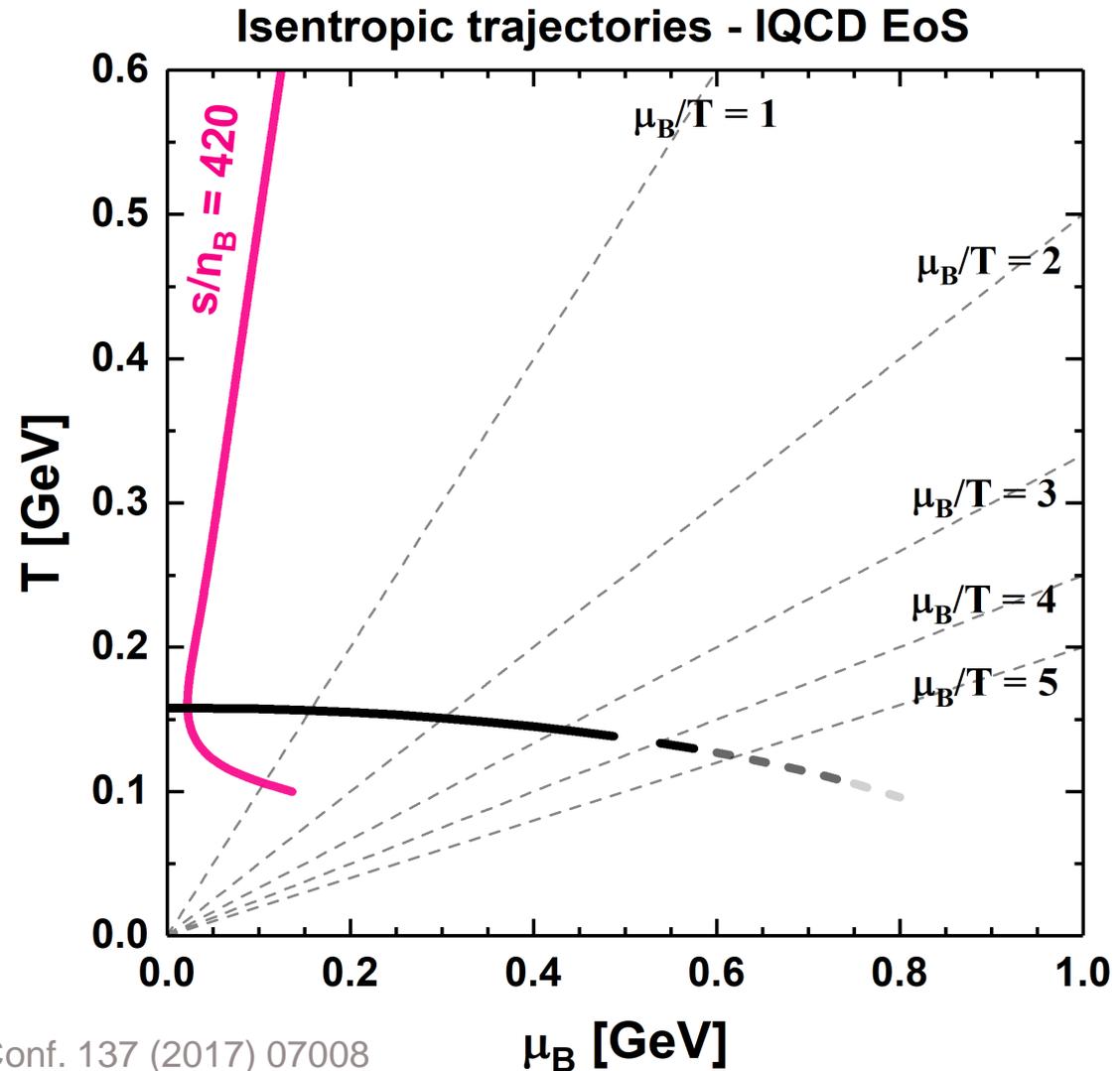
$$\langle n_S \rangle = 0 \text{ and } \langle n_Q \rangle = 0.4 \langle n_B \rangle$$



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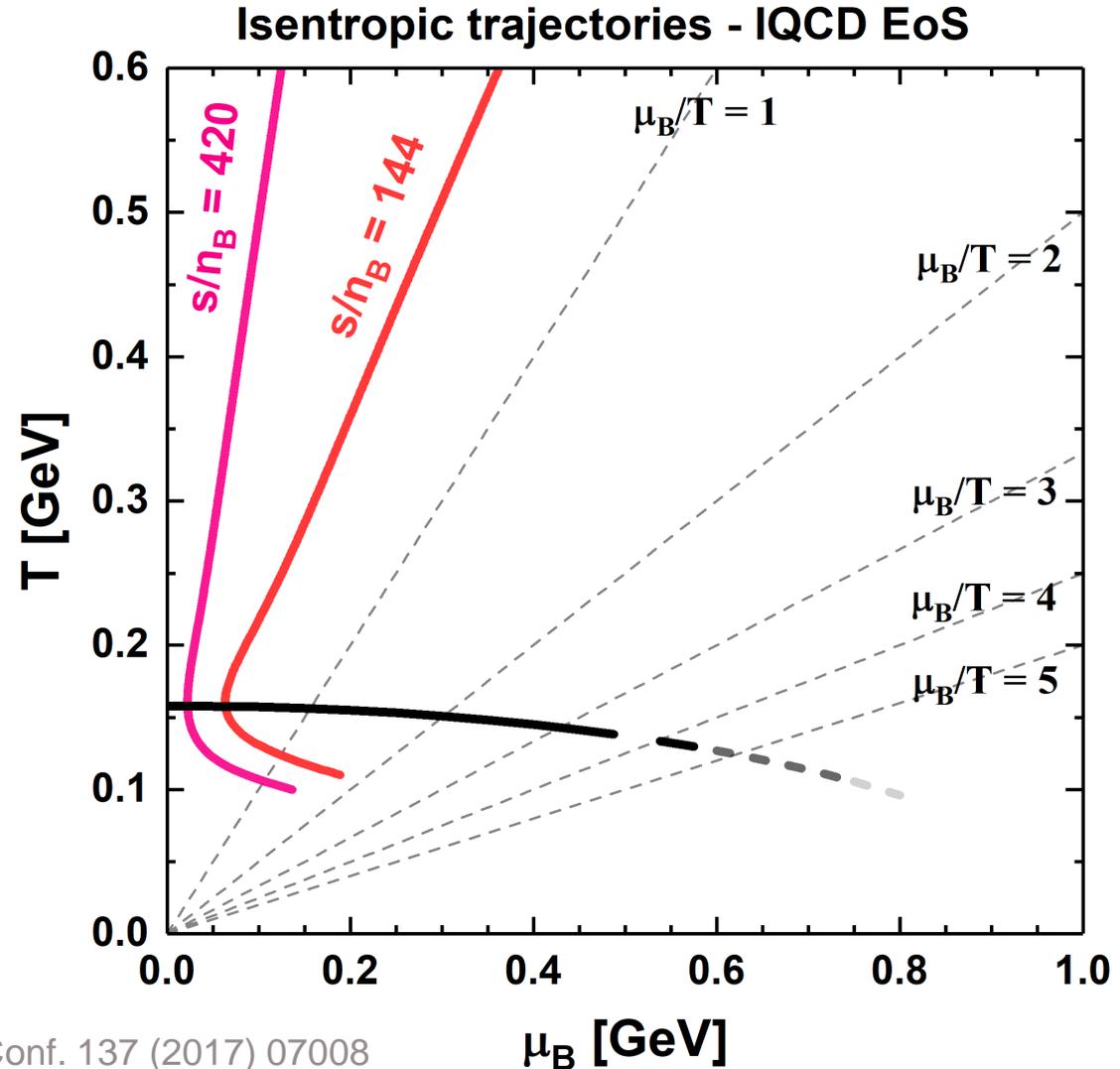
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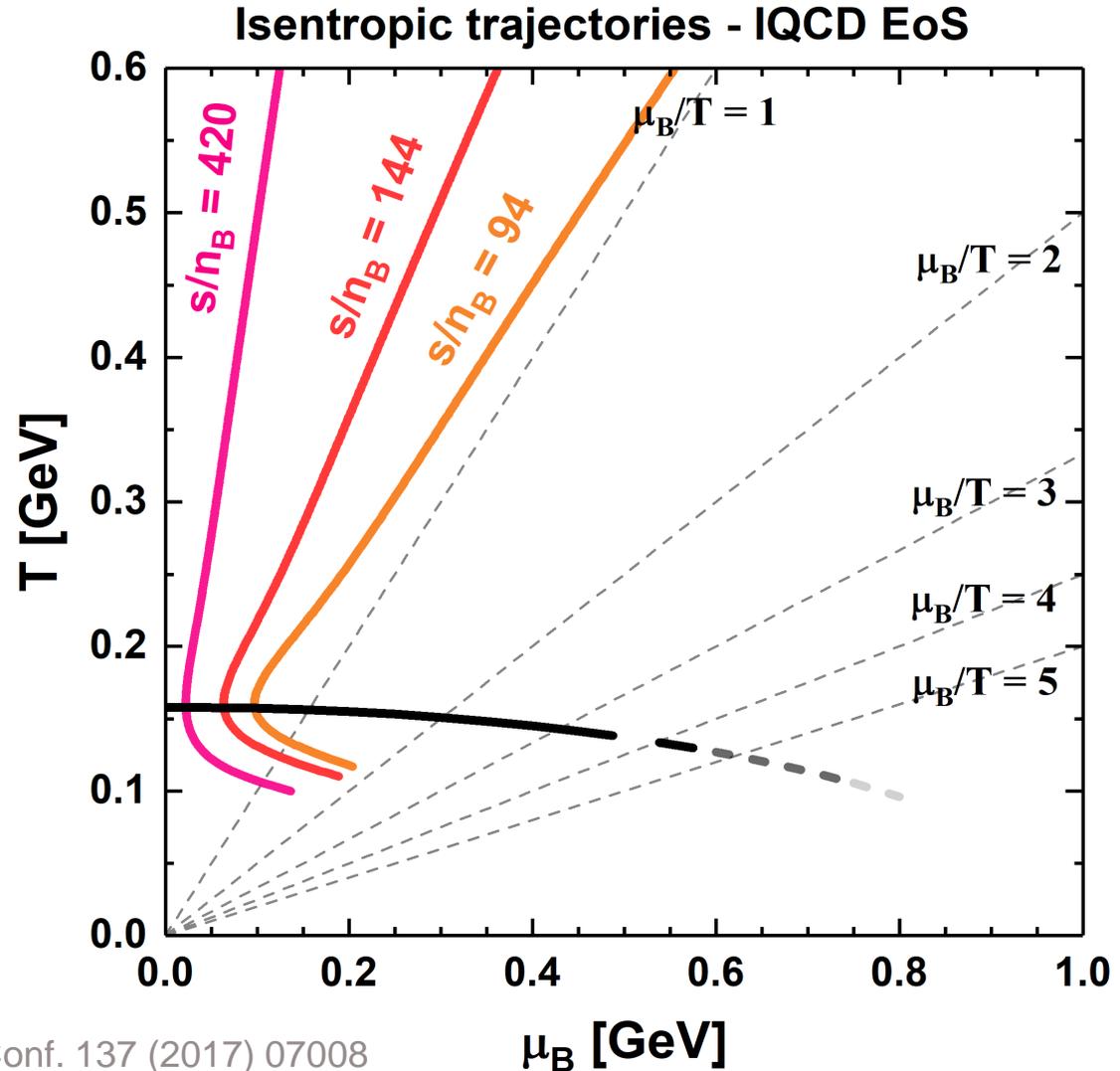
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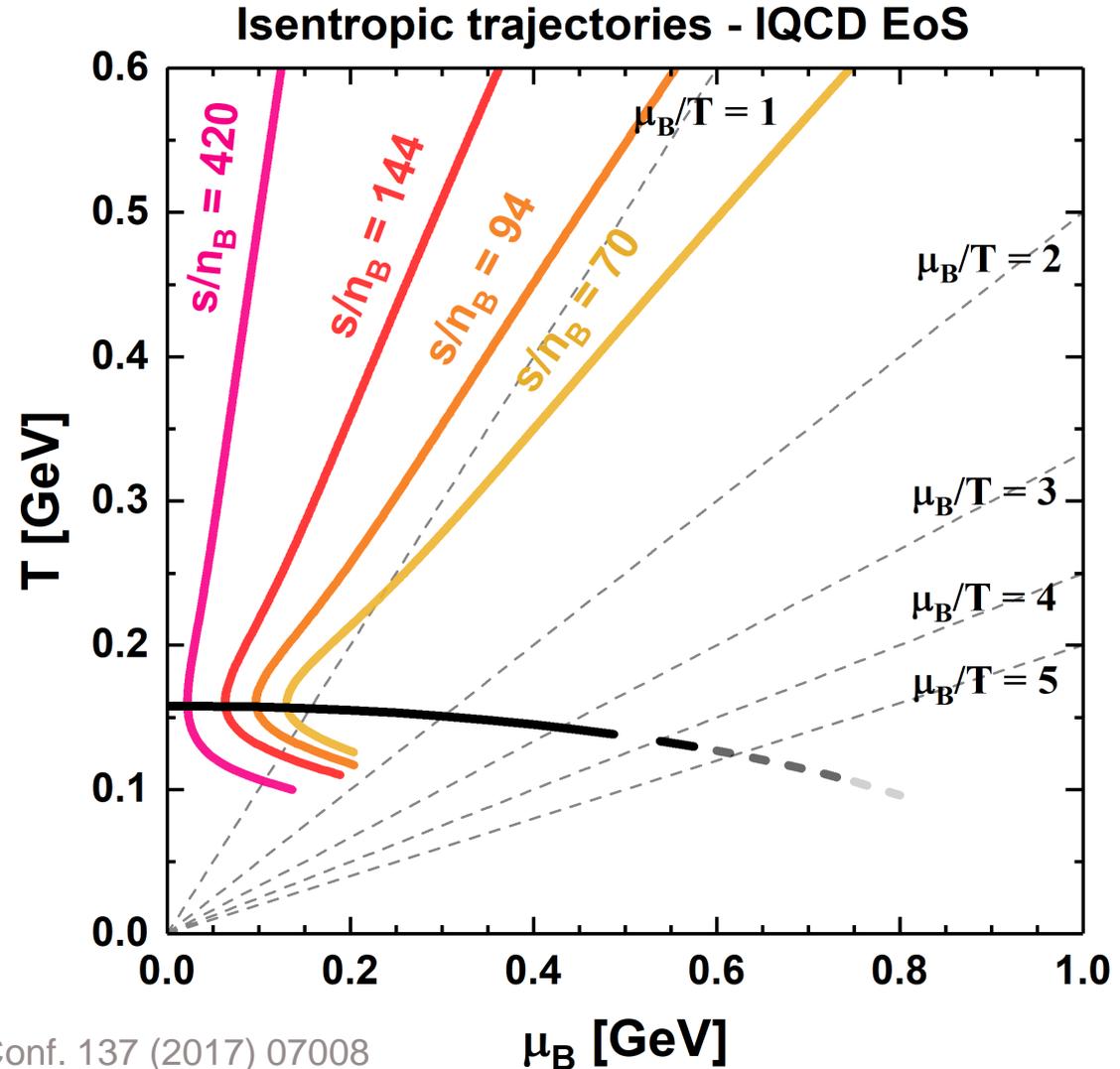
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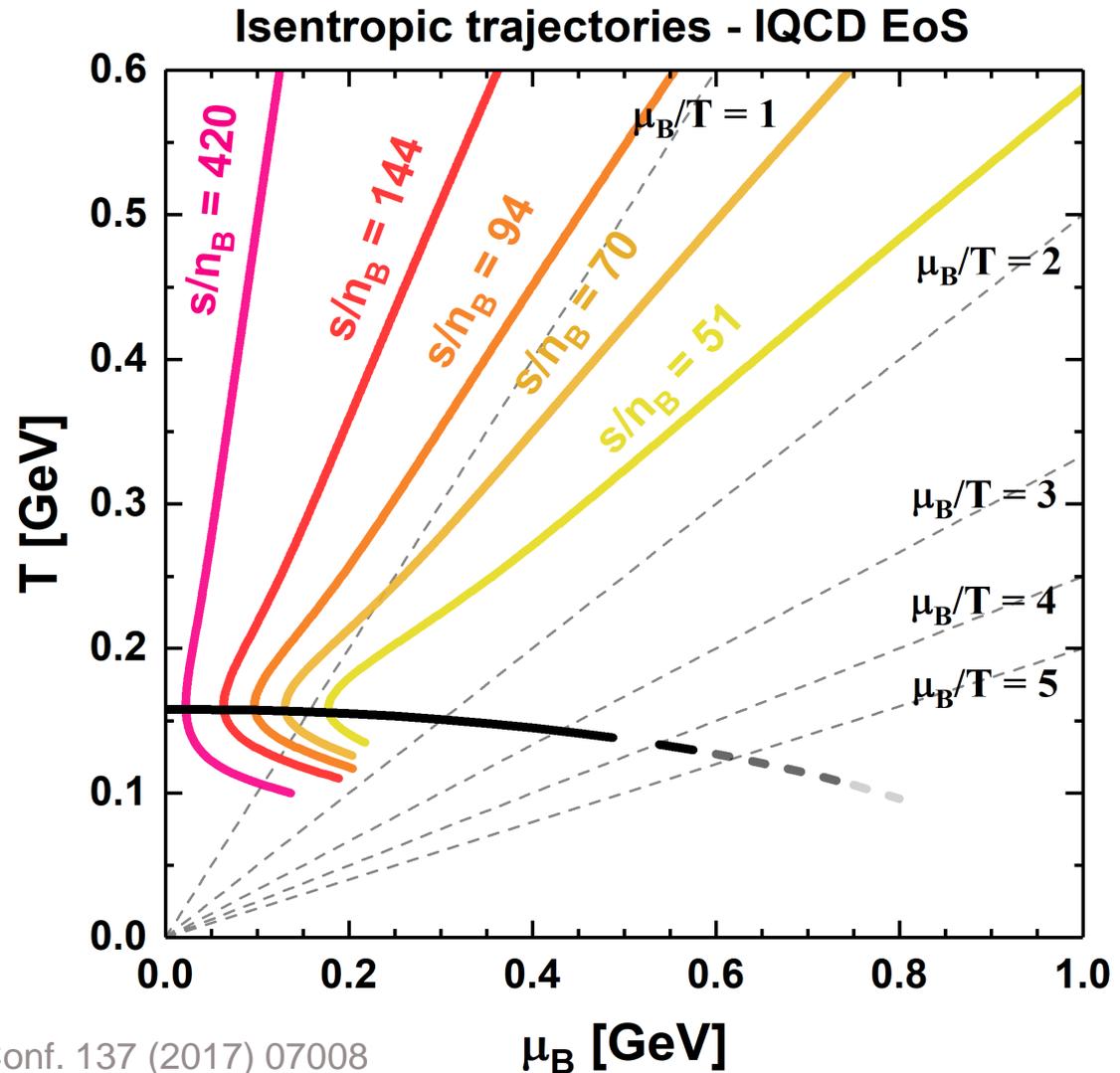
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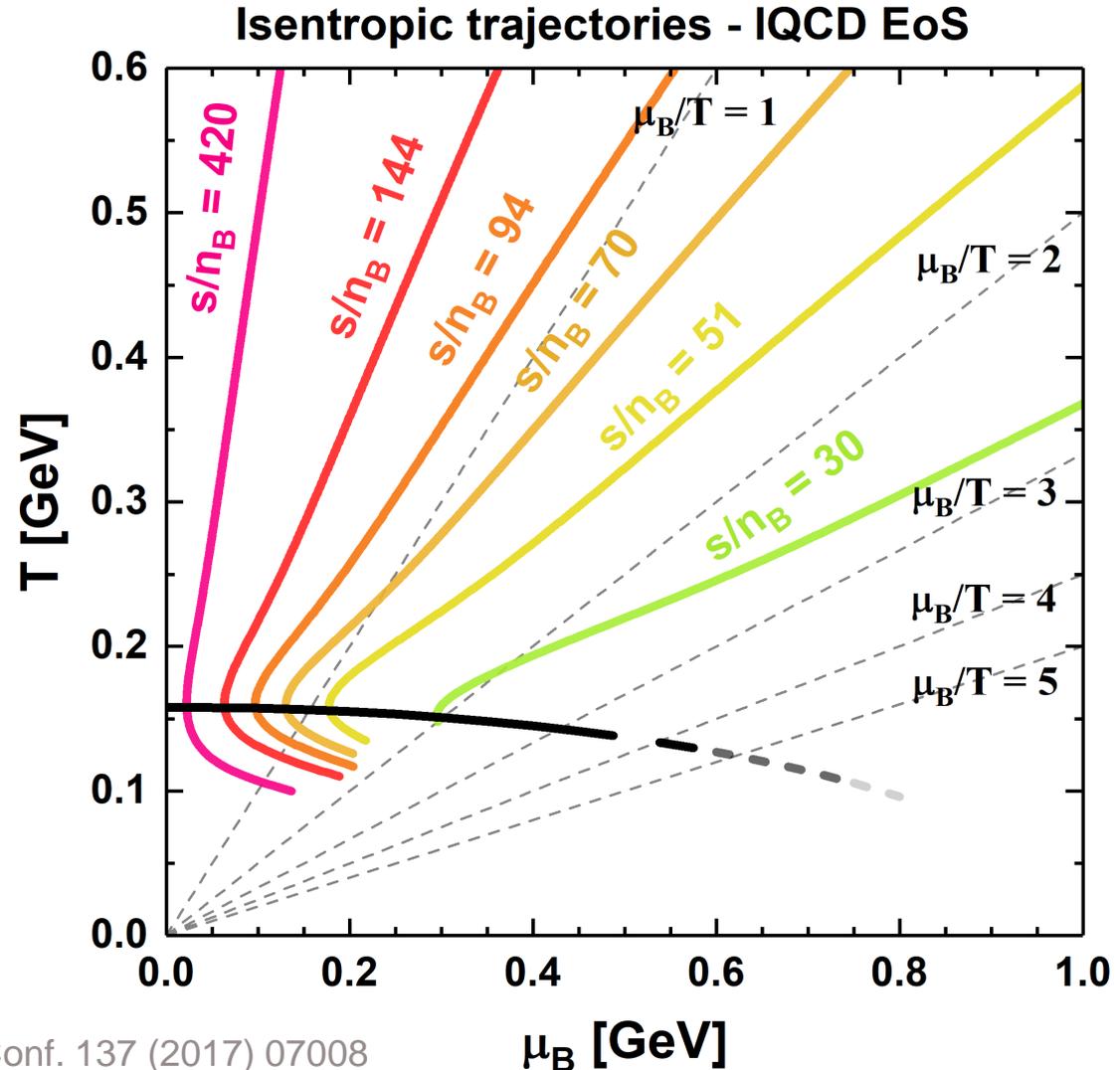
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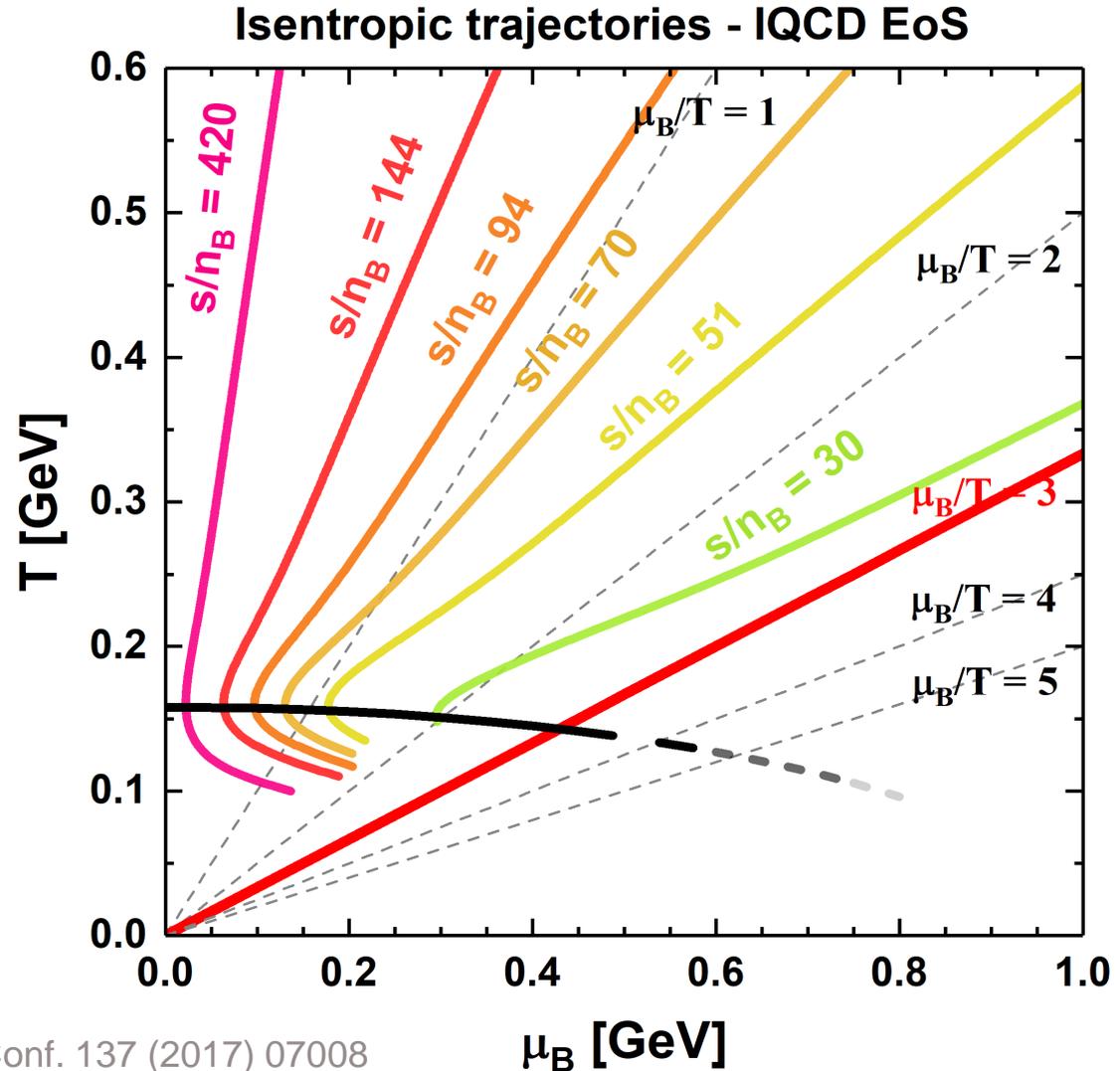
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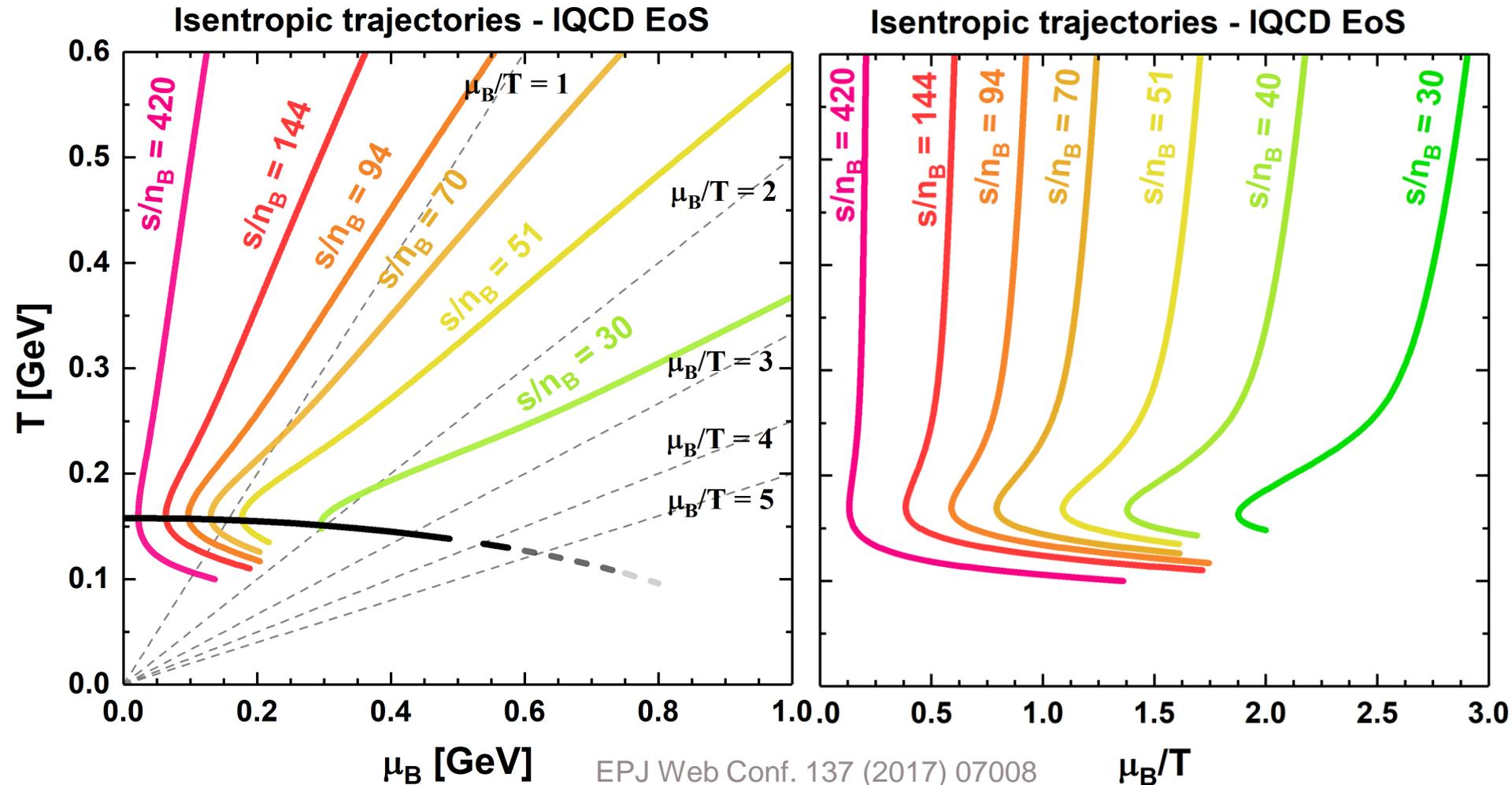
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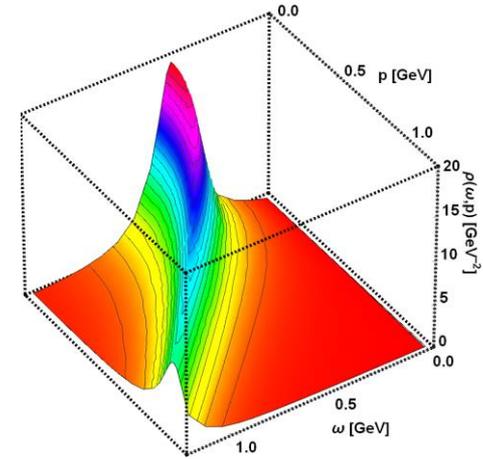
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Dynamical QuasiParticle Model (DQPM)

- The QGP phase is described in terms of **interacting quasiparticles: quarks and gluons** with Lorentzian spectral functions:

$$\rho_j(\omega, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{\gamma_j}{\tilde{E}_j} \left(\frac{1}{(\omega - \tilde{E}_j)^2 + \gamma_j^2} - \frac{1}{(\omega + \tilde{E}_j)^2 + \gamma_j^2} \right)$$

$$\equiv \frac{4\omega\gamma_j}{(\omega^2 - \mathbf{p}^2 - M_j^2)^2 + 4\gamma_j^2\omega^2}$$



- Resummed properties of the quasiparticles are specified by scalar complex self-energies:

gluon propagator: $\Delta^{-1} = P^2 - \Pi$	&	quark propagator $S_q^{-1} = P^2 - \Sigma_q$
gluon self-energy: $\Pi = M_g^2 - i2g_g\omega$	&	quark self-energy: $\Sigma_q = M_q^2 - i2g_q\omega$

- Real part of the self-energy: **thermal mass** (M_g, M_q)
- Imaginary part of the self-energy: **interaction width** of partons (γ_g, γ_q)

Peshier, Cassing, PRL 94 (2005) 172301; Cassing, NPA 791 (2007) 365; NPA 793 (2007)

Parton properties

- **Modeling of the quark/gluon masses and widths (inspired by HTL calculations)**

$$M_g^2(T, \mu_B) = \frac{g^2(T, \mu_B)}{6} \left(\left(N_c + \frac{1}{2} N_f \right) T^2 + \frac{N_c}{2} \sum_q \frac{\mu_q^2}{\pi^2} \right)$$

$$M_{q(\bar{q})}^2(T, \mu_B) = \frac{N_c^2 - 1}{8N_c} g^2(T, \mu_B) \left(T^2 + \frac{\mu_q^2}{\pi^2} \right)$$

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- **Only one parameter ($c = 14.4$) + (T, μ_B) - dependent coupling constant to determine from lattice results**

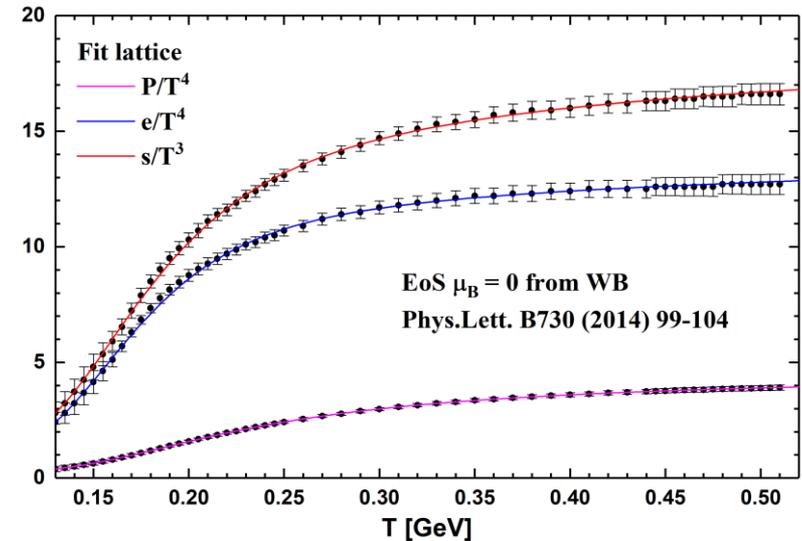
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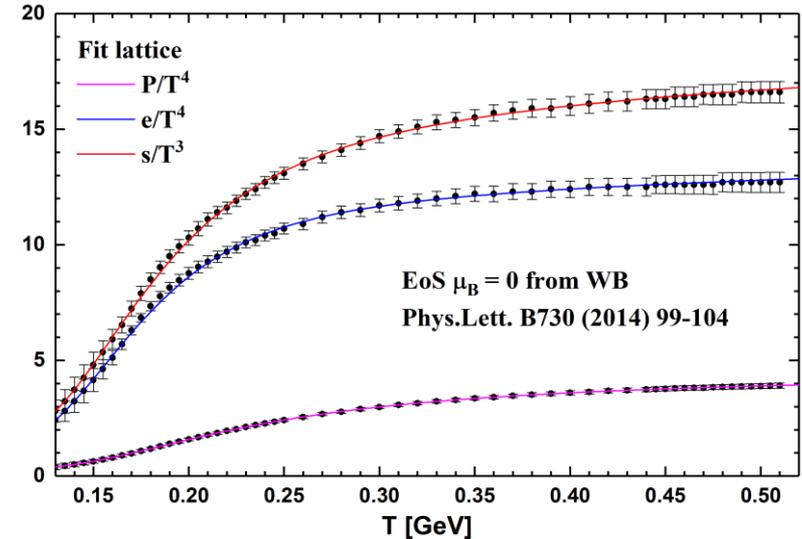
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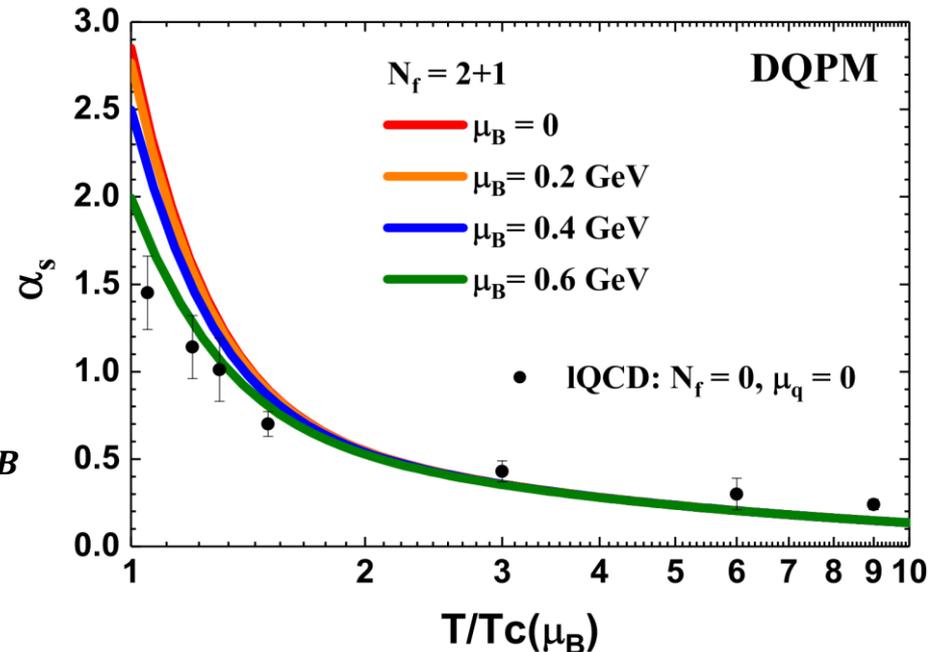
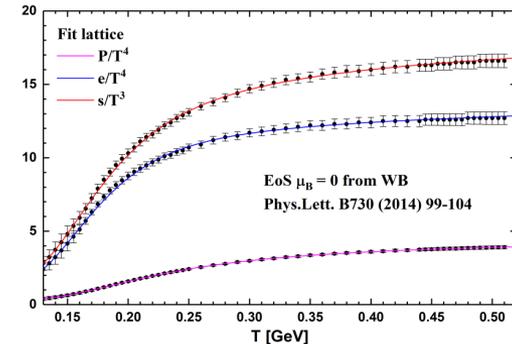
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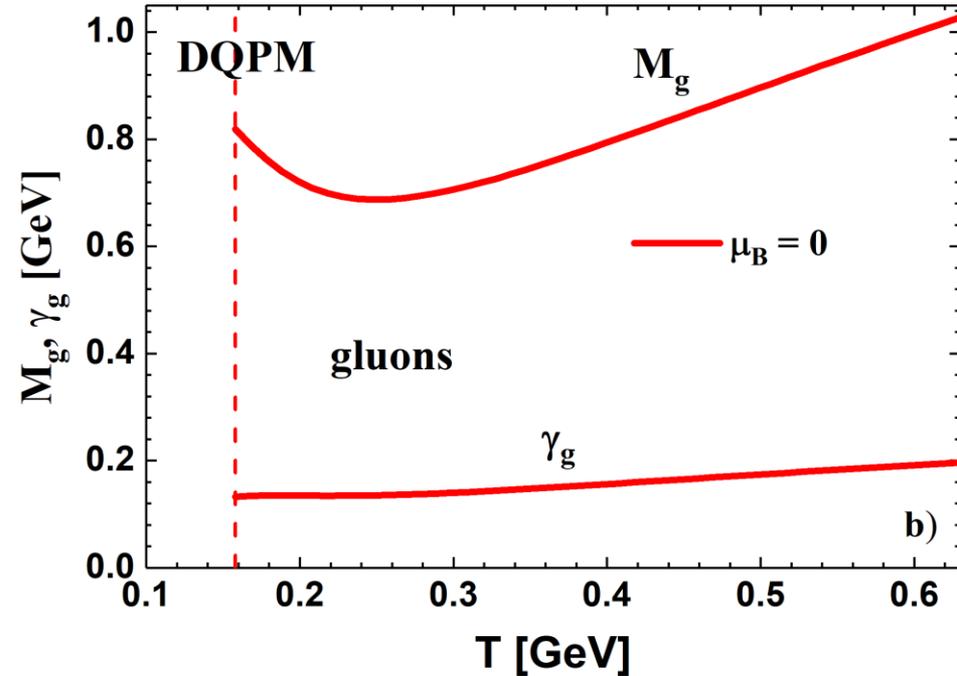
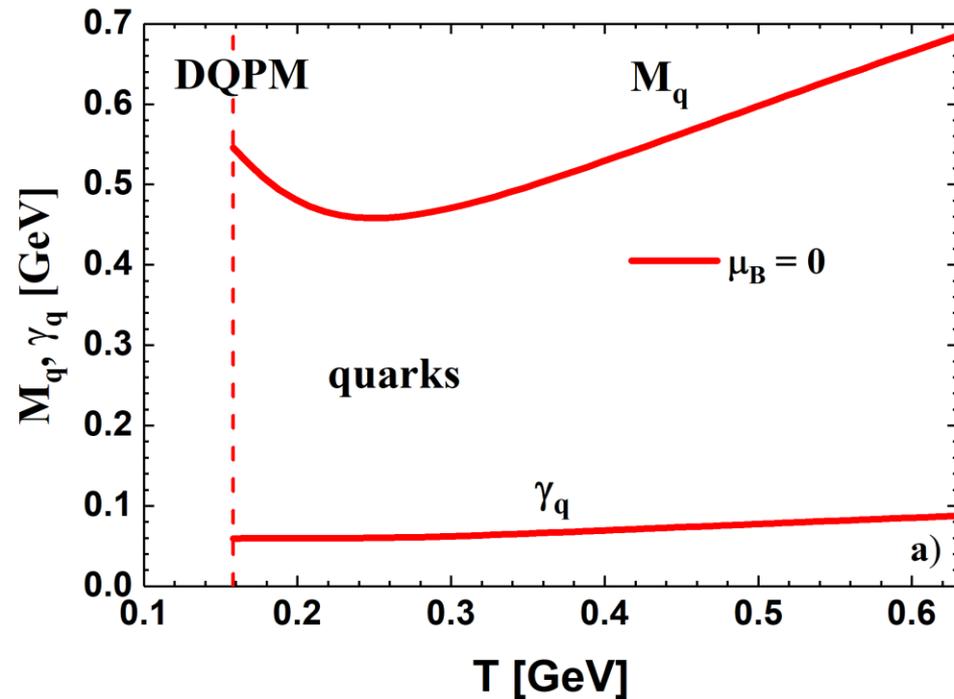
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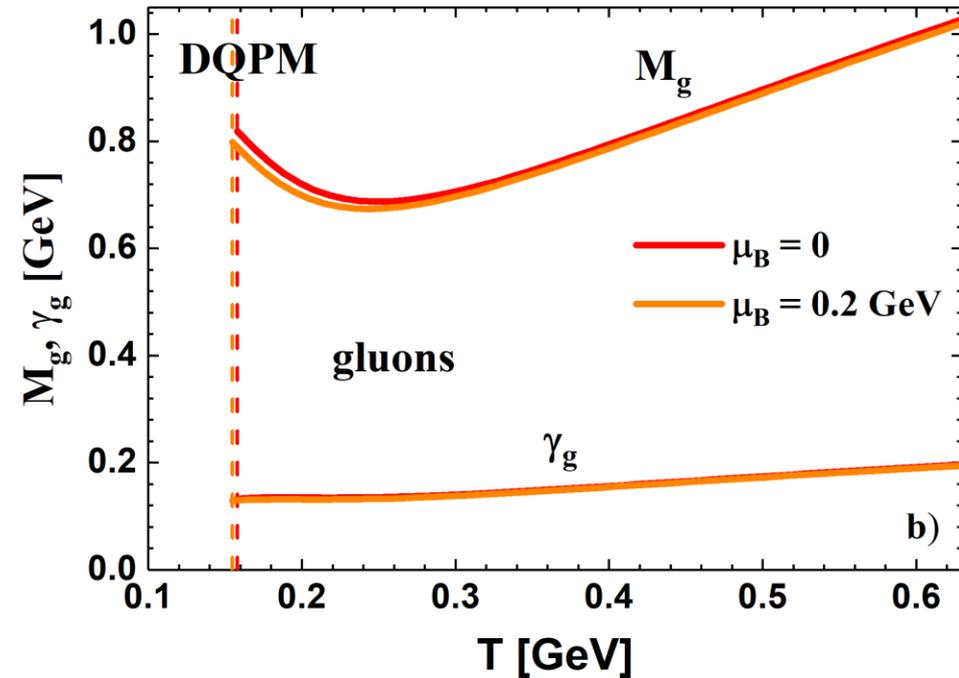
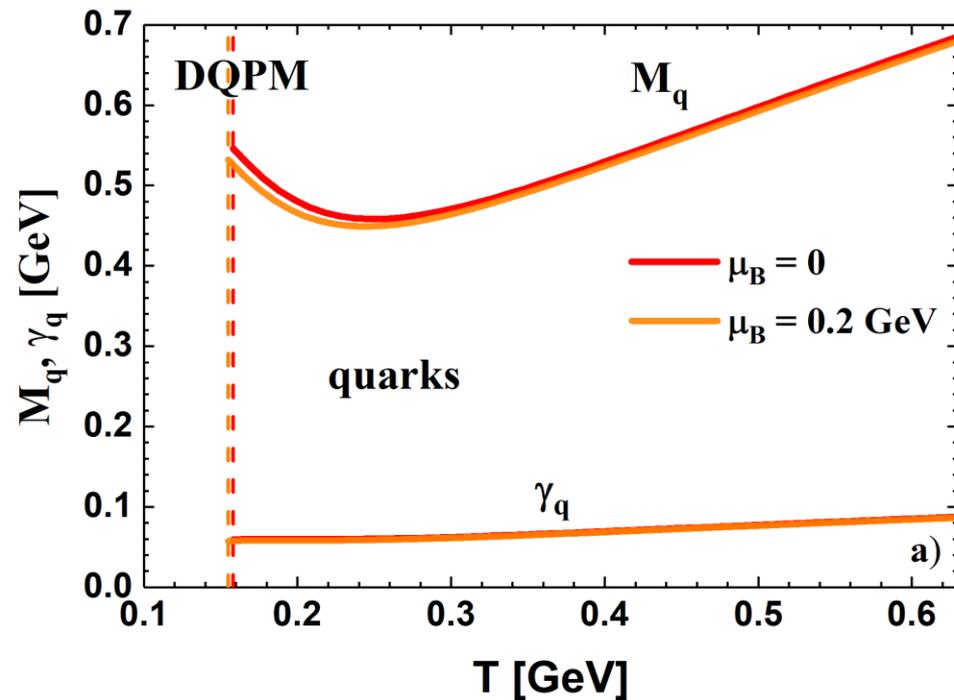
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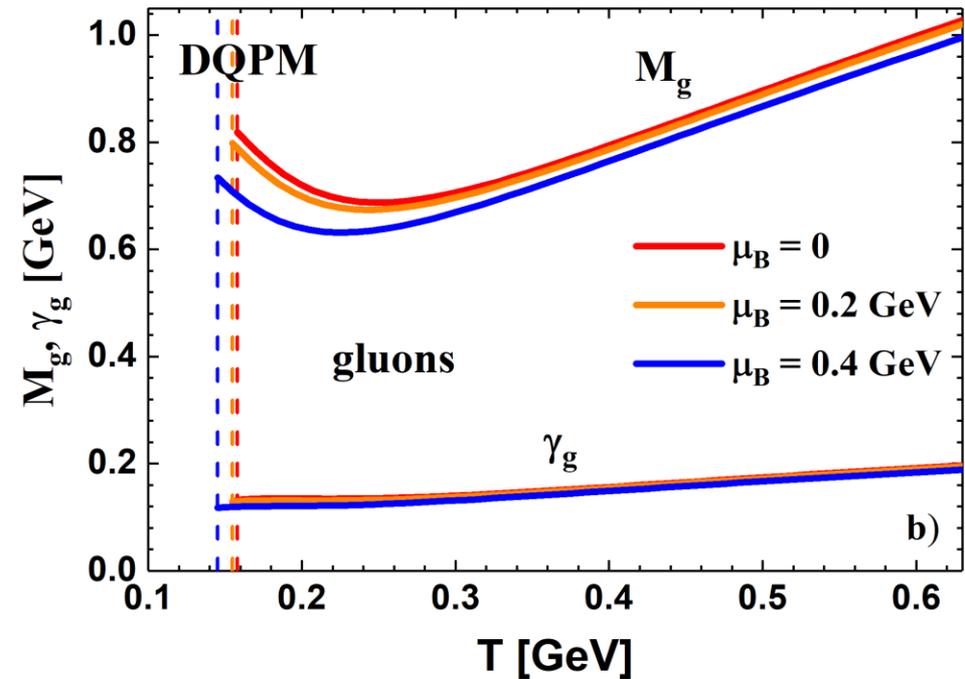
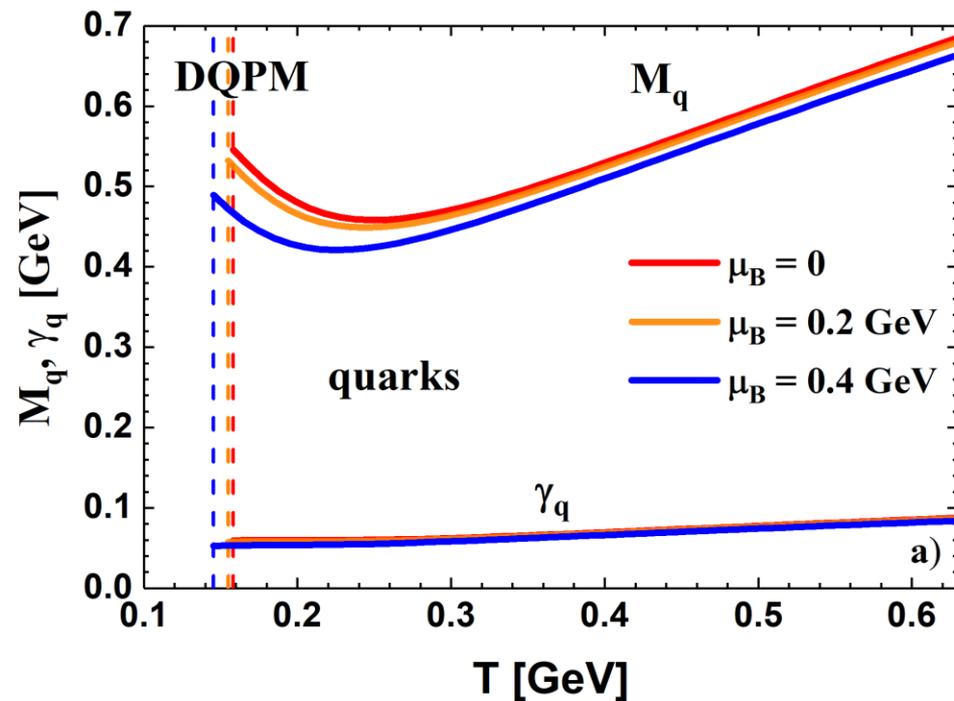
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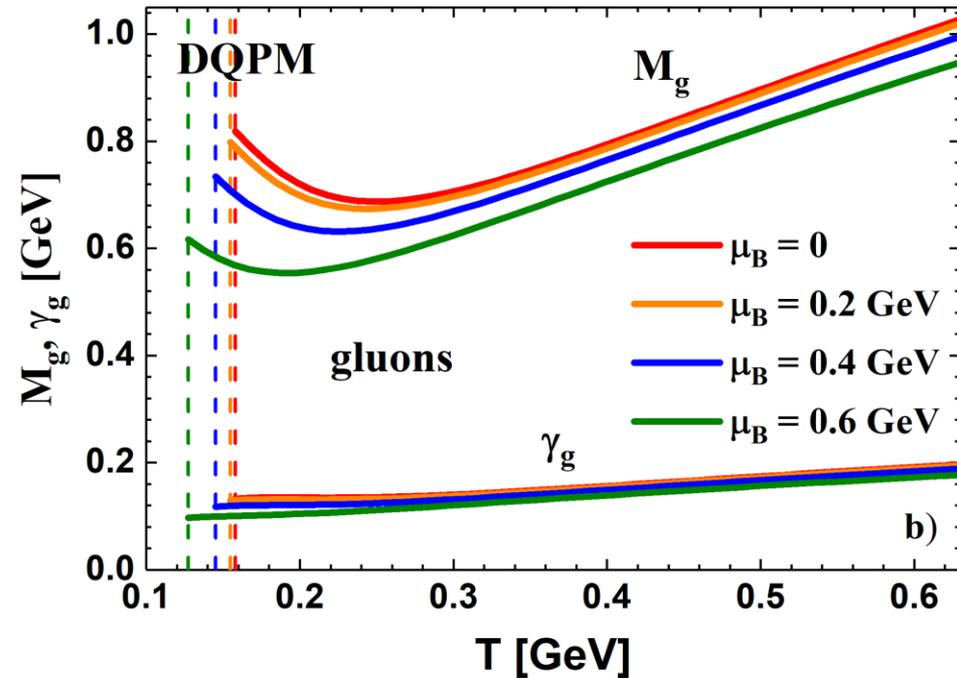
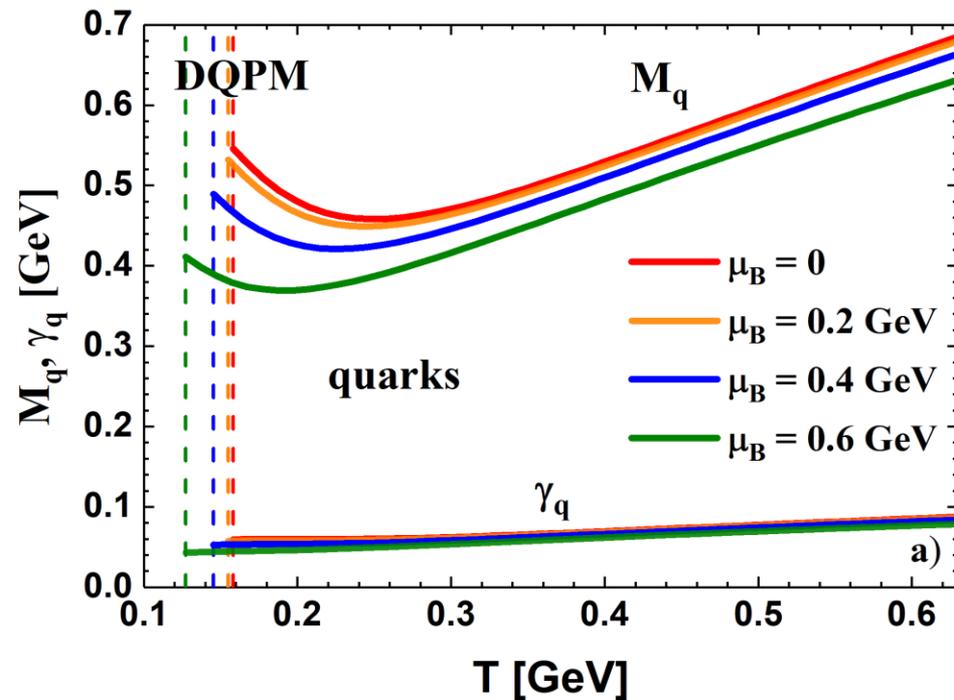
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Note: The contribution of longitudinal gluons is neglected in the calculation of thermodynamic quantities

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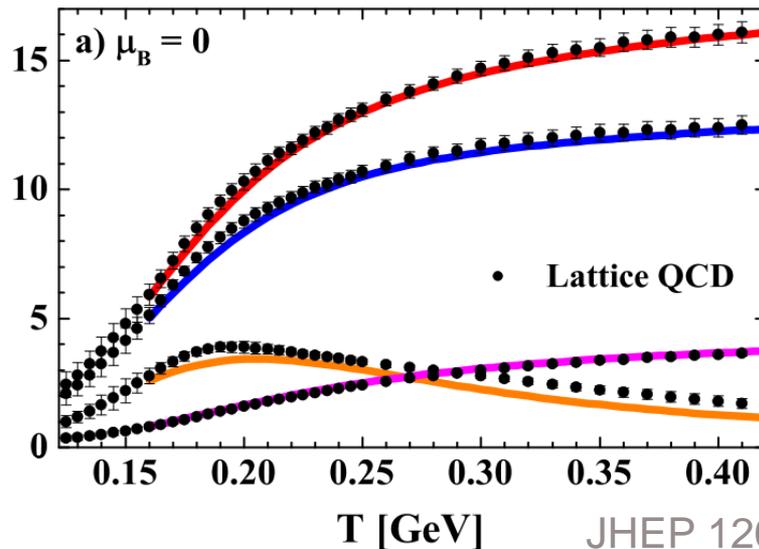
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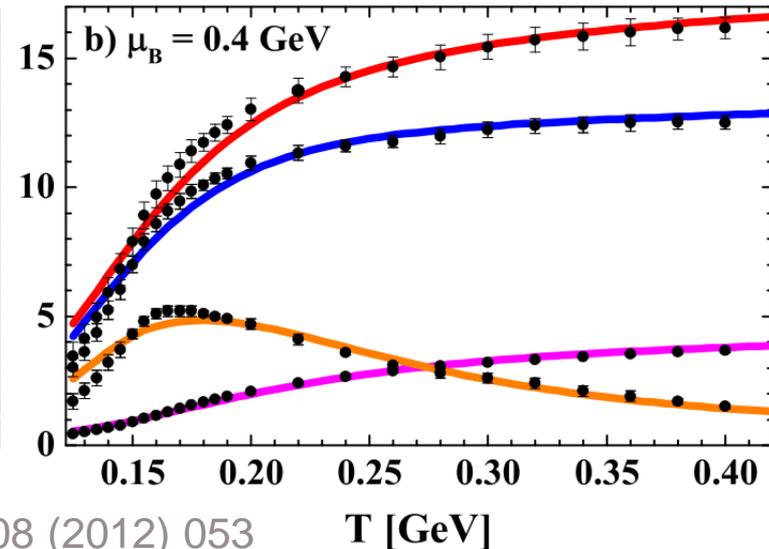
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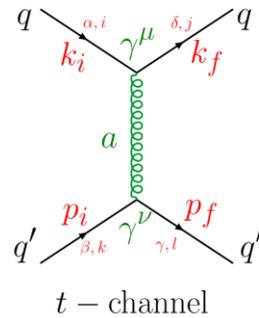
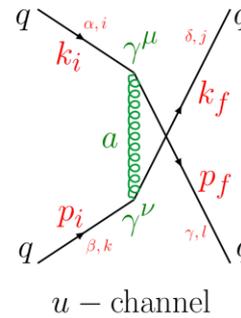
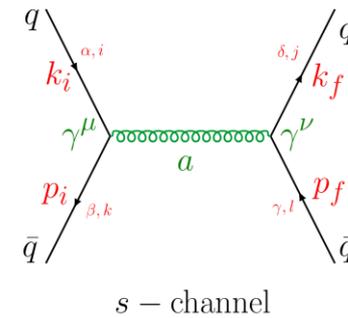
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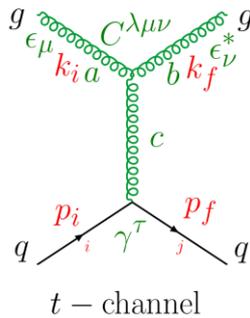
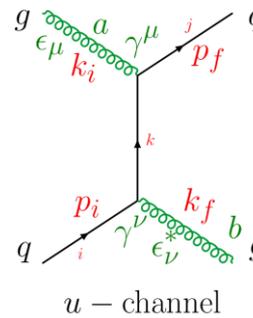
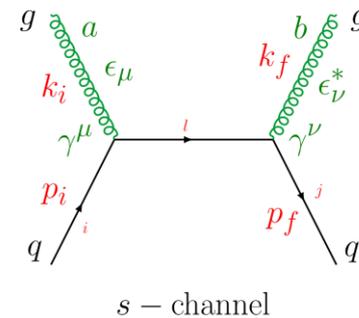


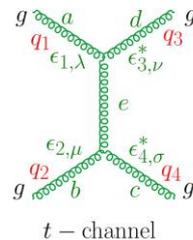
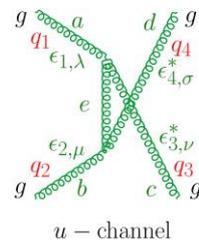
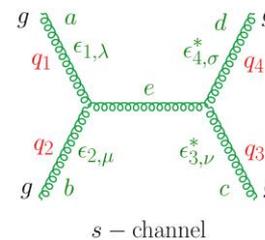
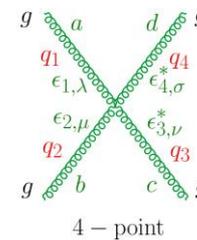
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Partonic interactions: matrix elements

 $qq', q\bar{q}$

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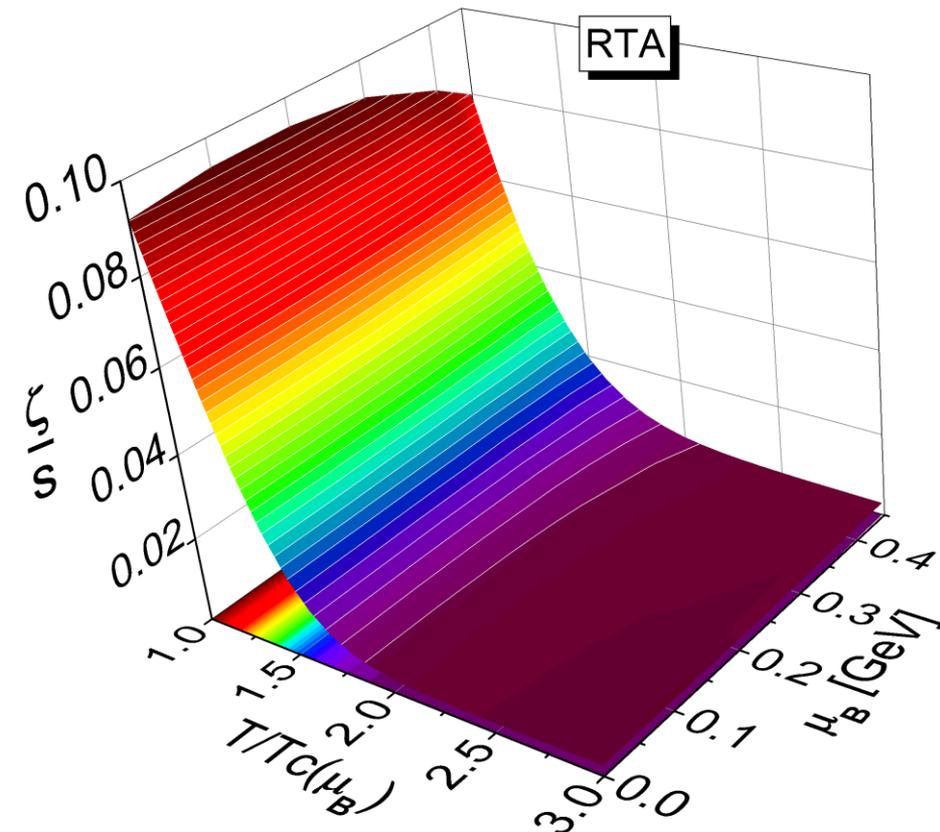
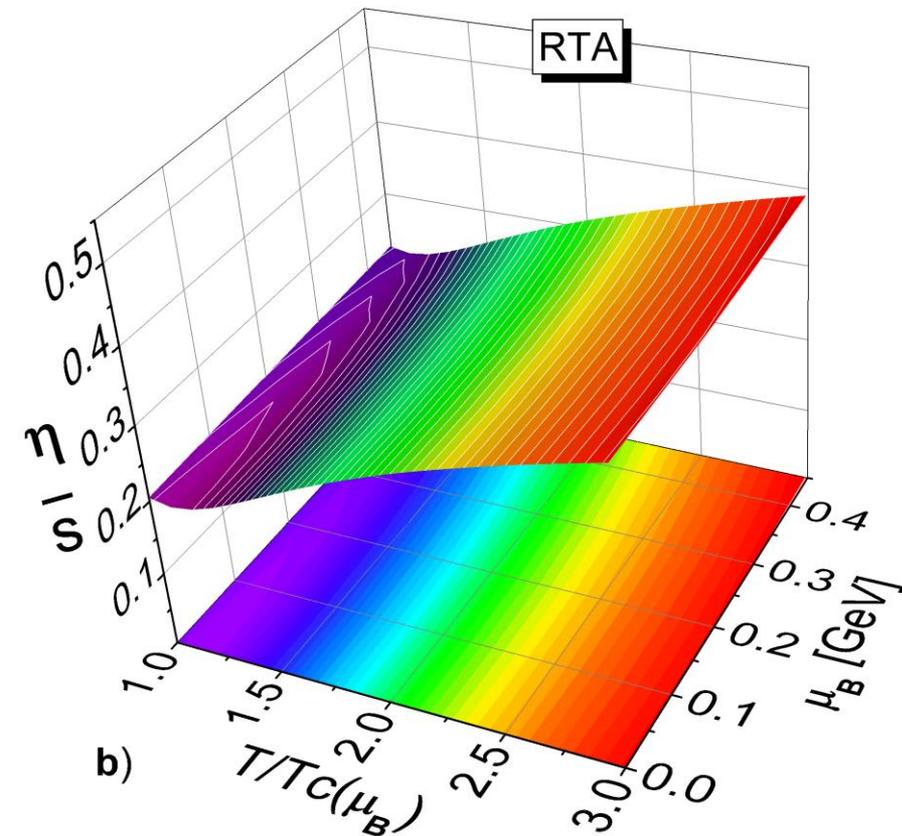
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Shear and bulk viscosities (T, μ_B)

$$\eta^{\text{RTA}}(T, \mu_q) = \frac{1}{15T} \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \sum_{i=q, \bar{q}, g} \left(\frac{\mathbf{p}^4}{E_i^2 \Gamma_i(\mathbf{p}_i, T, \mu_q)} d_i((1 \pm f_i(E_i))f_i(E_i)) \right) + \mathcal{O}(\Gamma_i)$$

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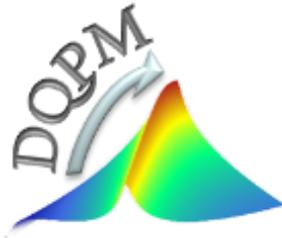


QGP:

in equilibrium



off equilibrium



Energy-momentum tensor in PHSD

- In each space-time cell of the PHSD, the energy-momentum tensor is calculated by the formula:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \sum_i \frac{p_i^\mu p_i^\nu}{E_i}$$

- Diagonalization of the energy-momentum tensor to get the energy density and pressure components expressed in the local rest frame (LRF)

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} T^{00} & T^{01} & T^{02} & T^{03} \\ T^{10} & T^{11} & T^{12} & T^{13} \\ T^{20} & T^{21} & T^{22} & T^{23} \\ T^{30} & T^{31} & T^{32} & T^{33} \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon^{LRF} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & P_x^{LRF} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & P_y^{LRF} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & P_z^{LRF} \end{pmatrix}$$

- **Landau-matching** condition:

Xu et al., Phys.Rev. C96 (2017), 024902

$$T^{\mu\nu} u_\nu = \epsilon u^\mu = (\epsilon g^{\mu\nu}) u_\nu$$

Baryon density in PHSD

- Calculation of the **baryon current** in each cells of the PHSD

$$J_B^\mu = \sum_i \frac{p_i^\mu}{E_i} \frac{(q_i - \bar{q}_i)}{3}$$

- Lorentz transformation to obtain the **local baryon density**:

$$n_B = \gamma_E \left(J_B^0 - \vec{\beta}_E \cdot \vec{J}_B \right) = \frac{J_B^0}{\gamma_E}$$

with $\vec{\beta}_E = \vec{J}_B / J_B^0$ being the Eckart velocity.

Illustration for HIC ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17$ GeV)

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$t = 0.005$ fm/c

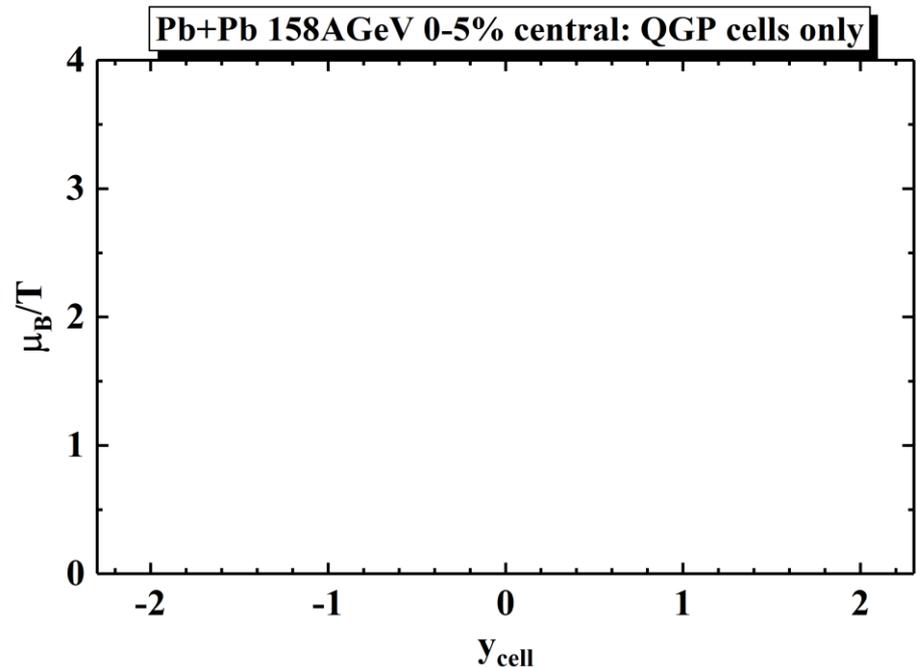
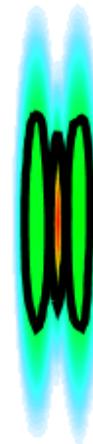
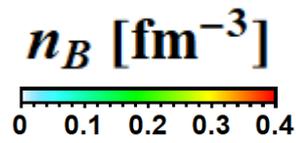
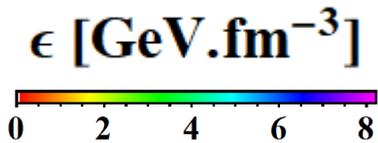
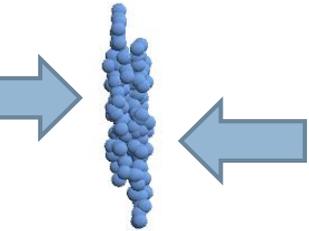
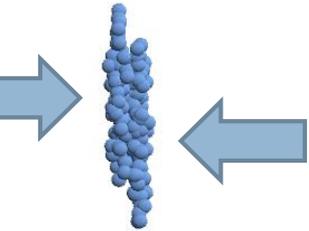


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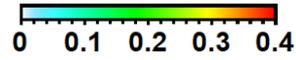
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ϵ [$\text{GeV}\cdot\text{fm}^{-3}$]



n_B [fm^{-3}]



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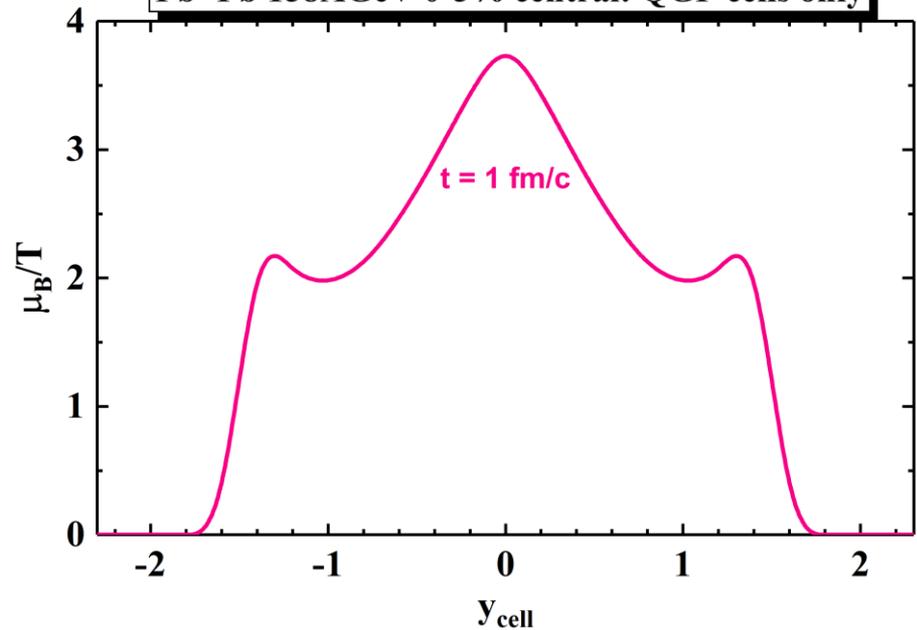


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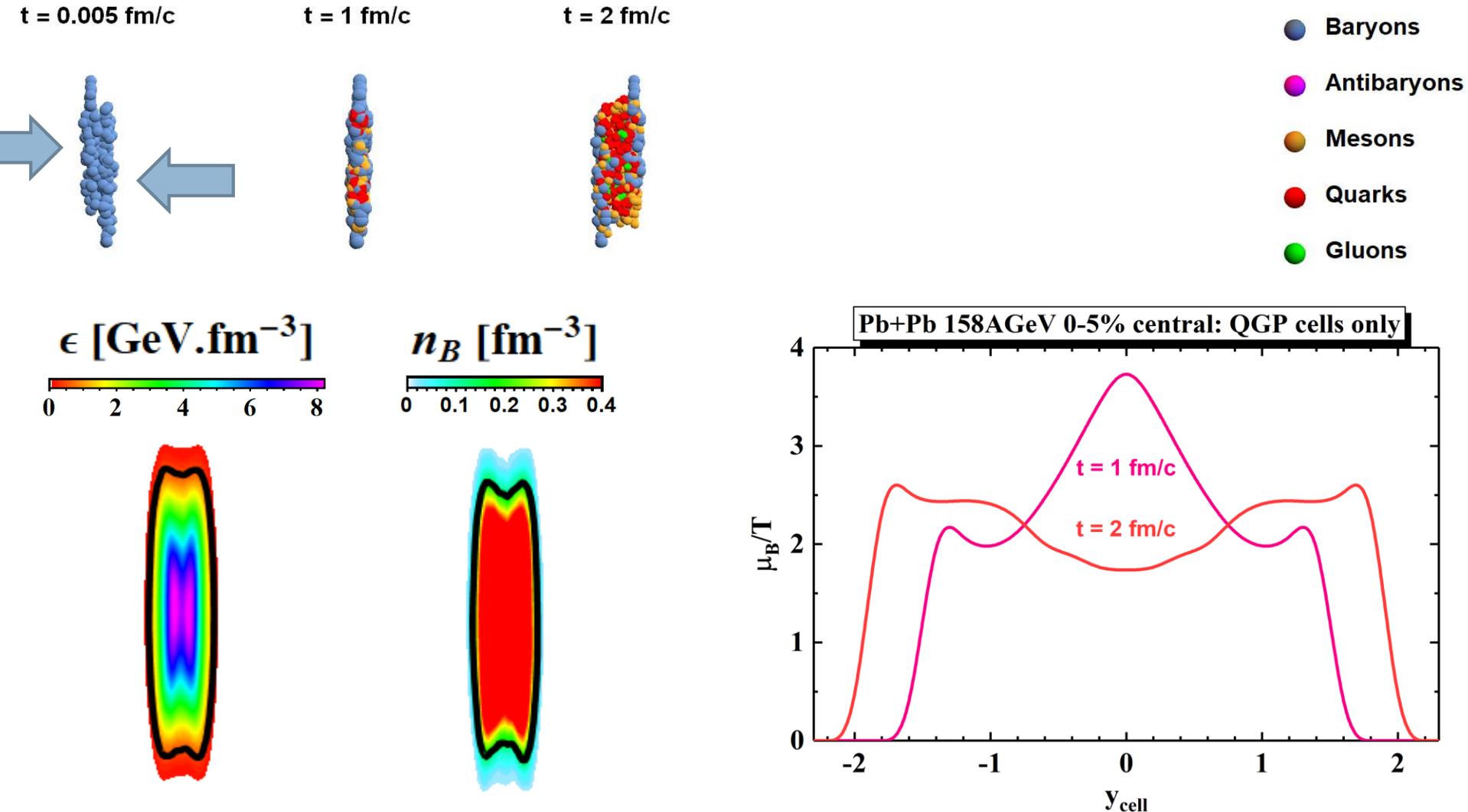


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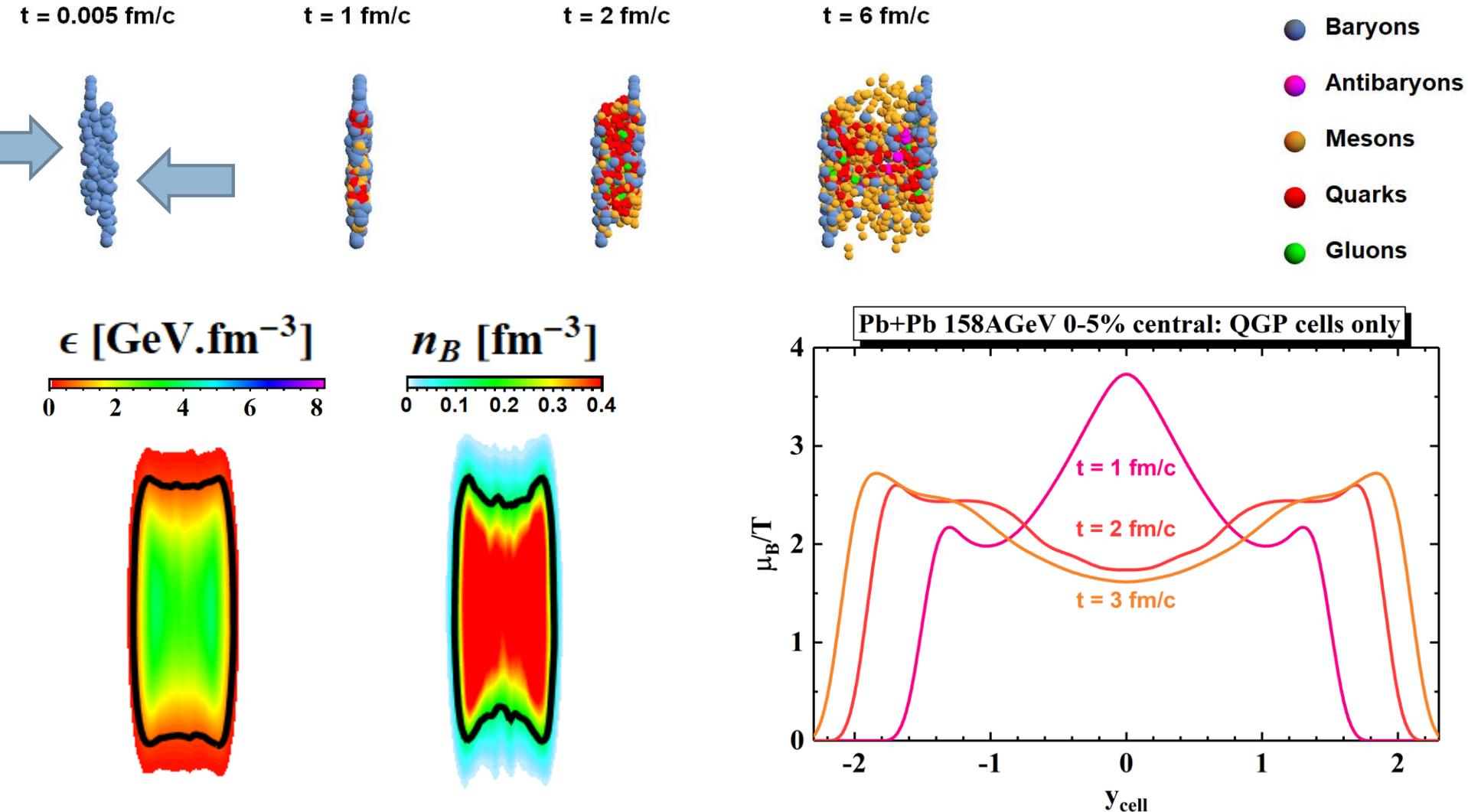


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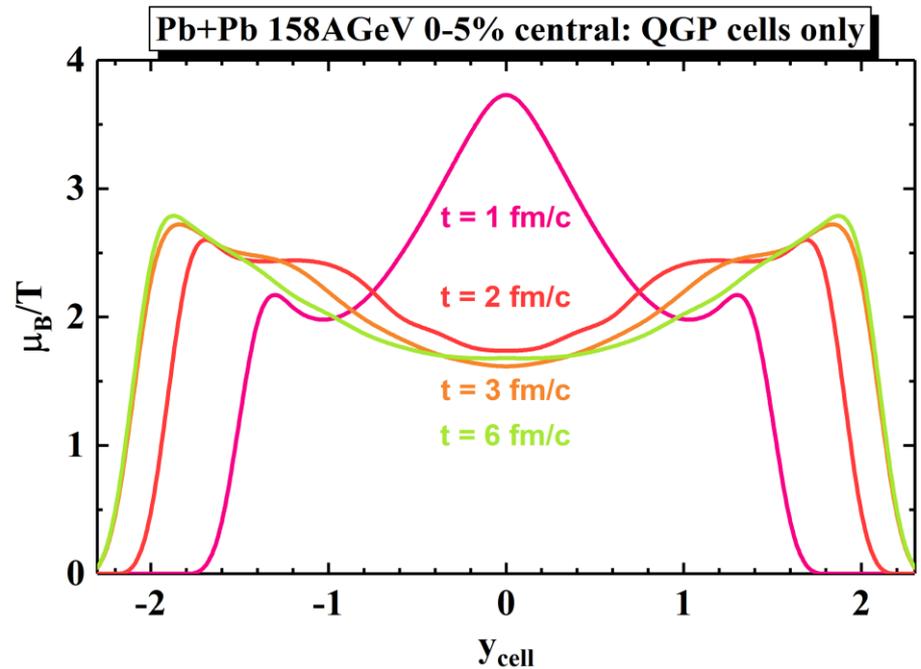
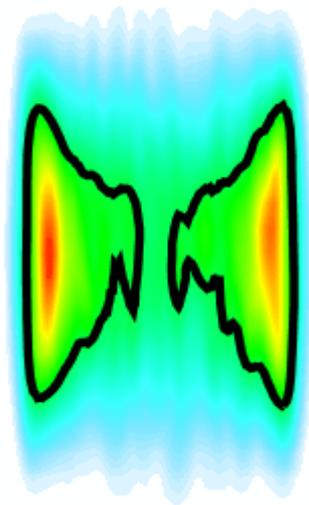
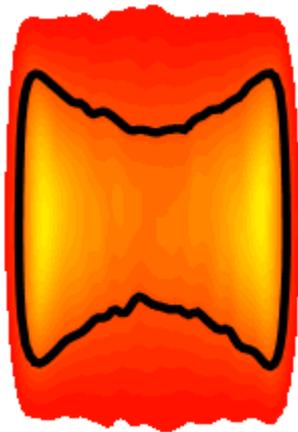
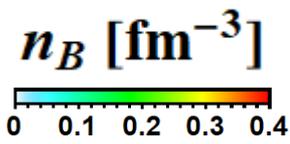
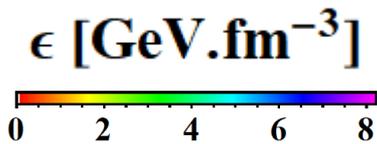
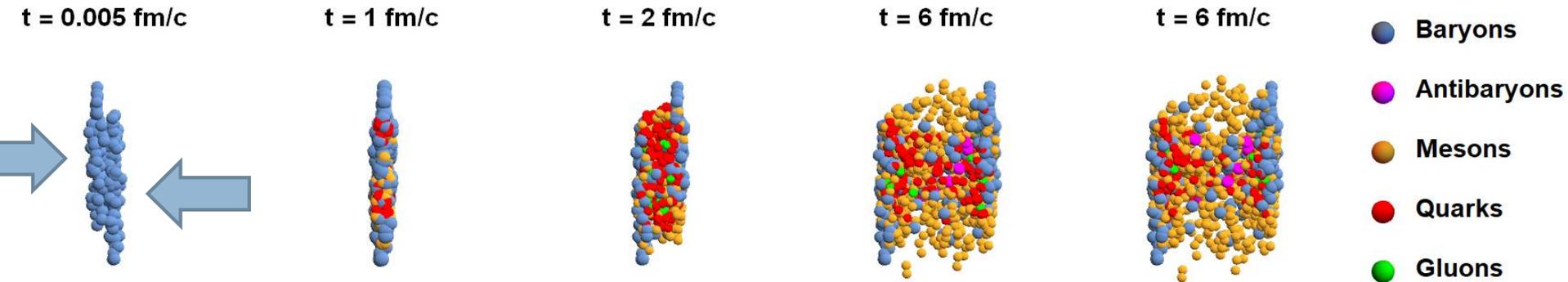


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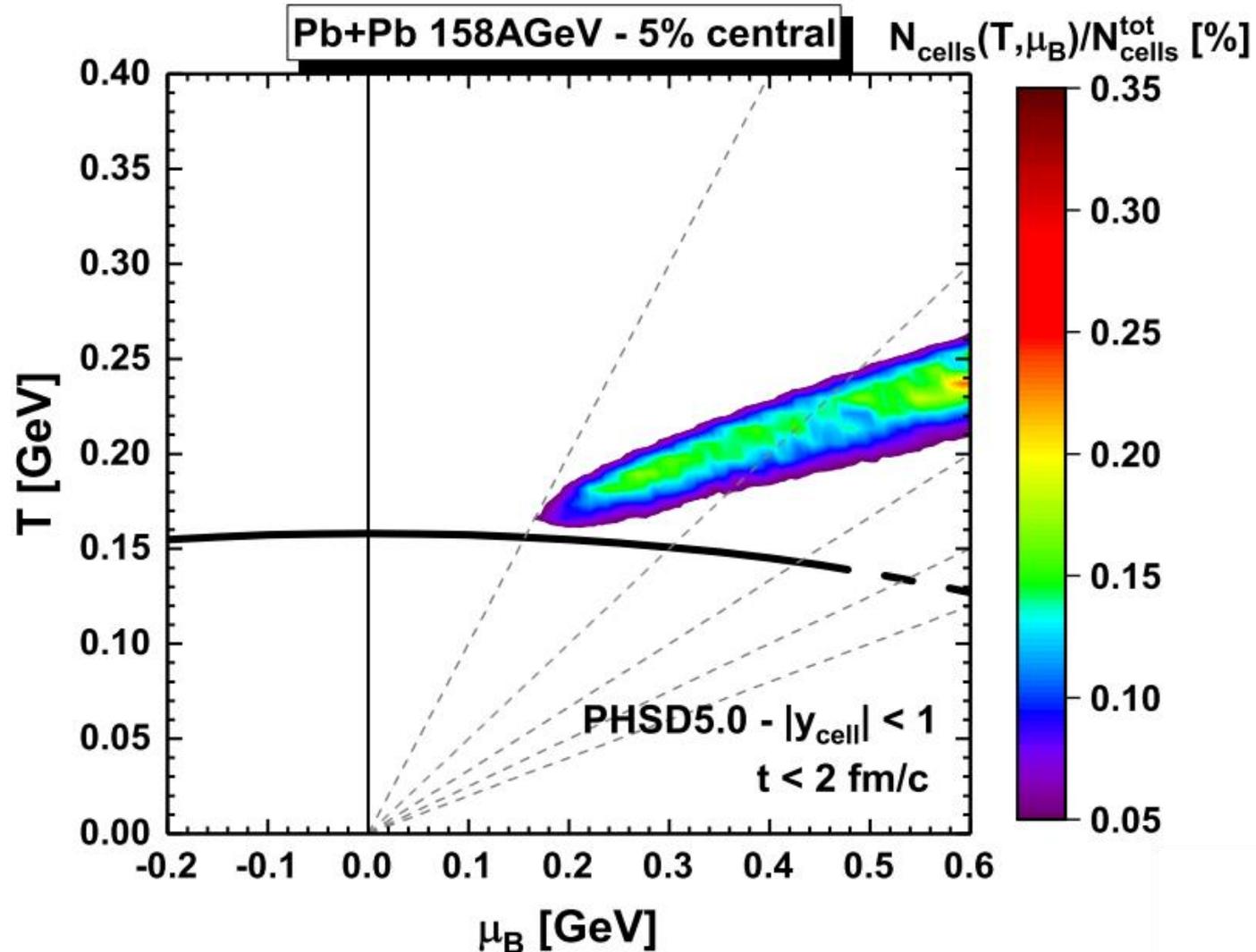


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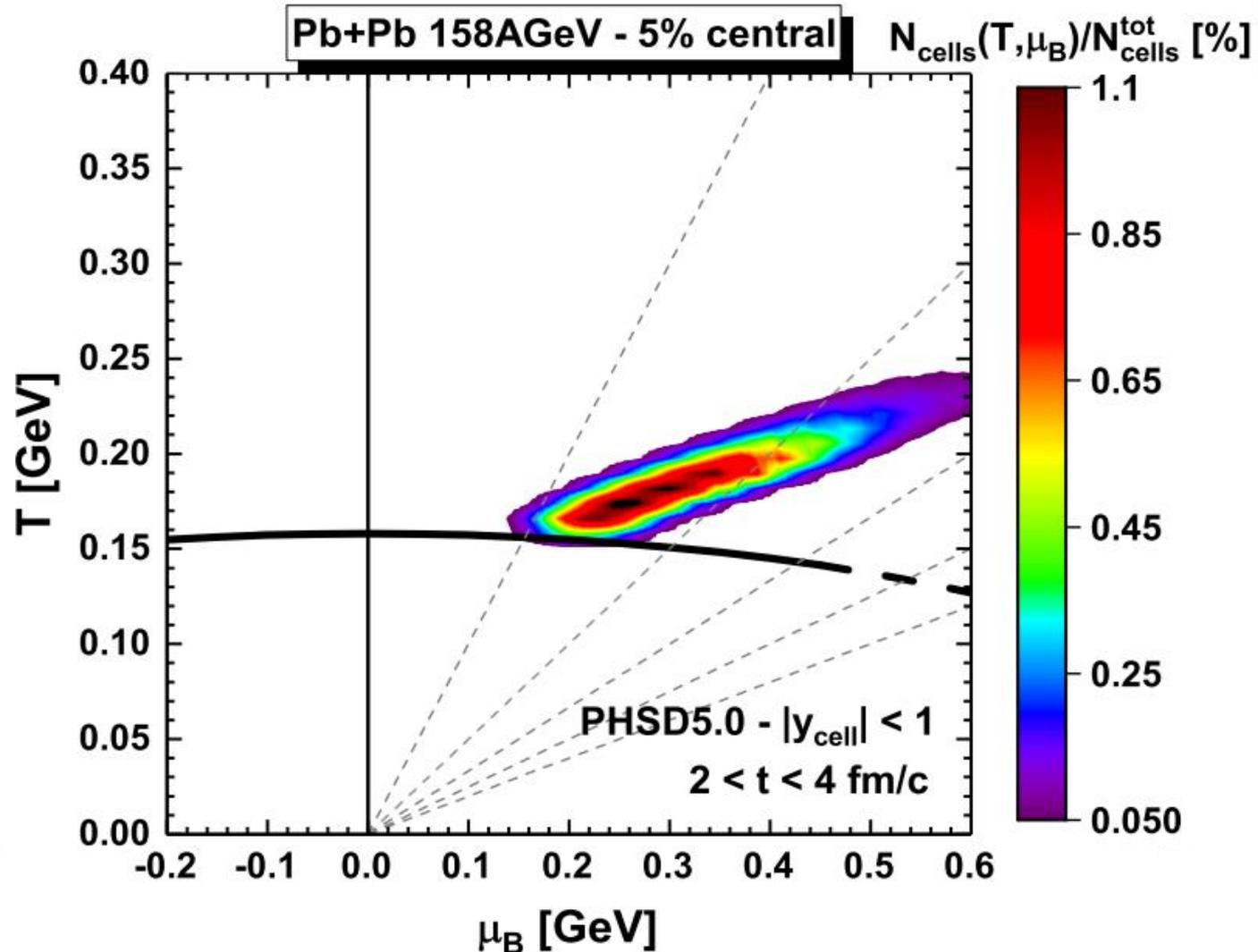


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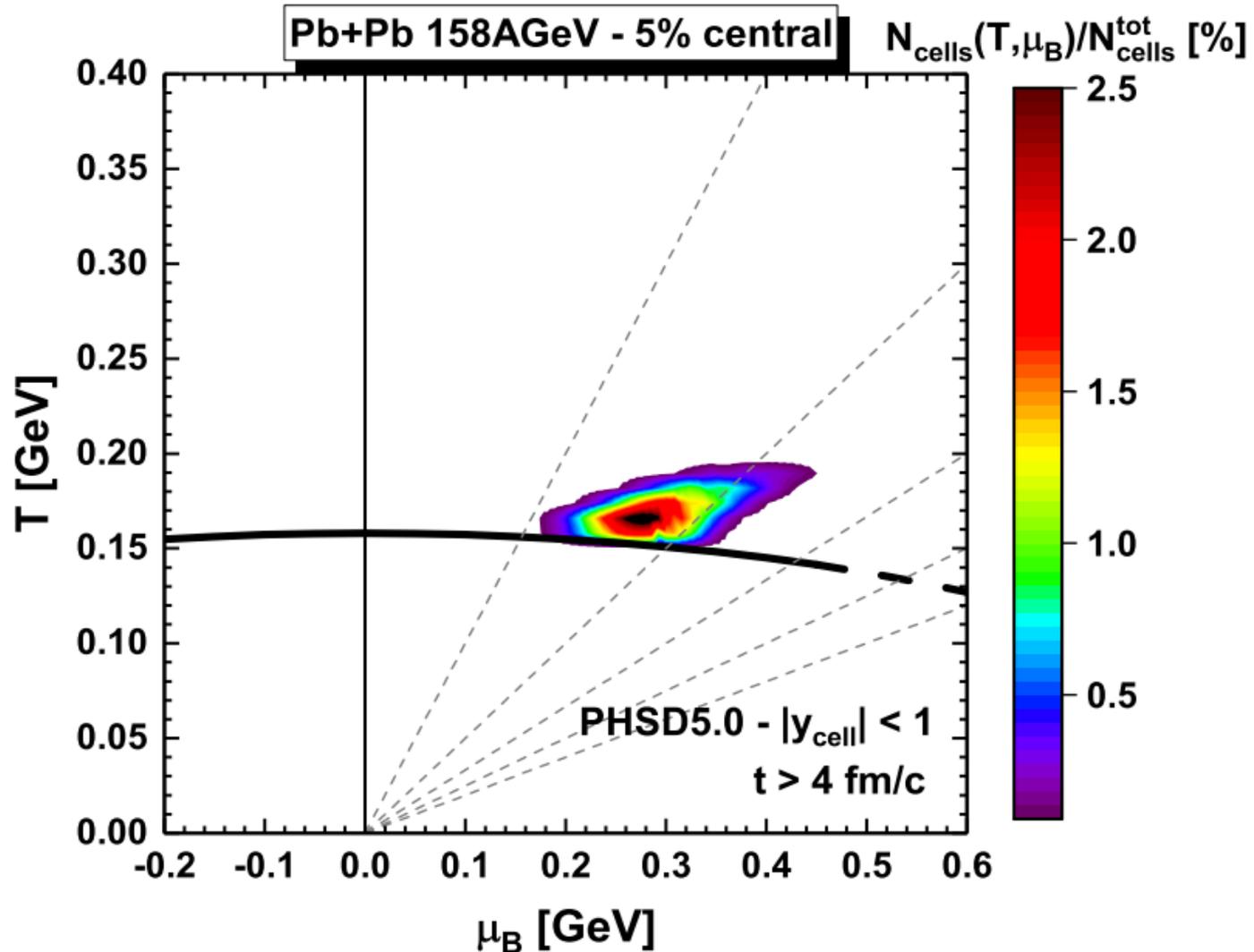


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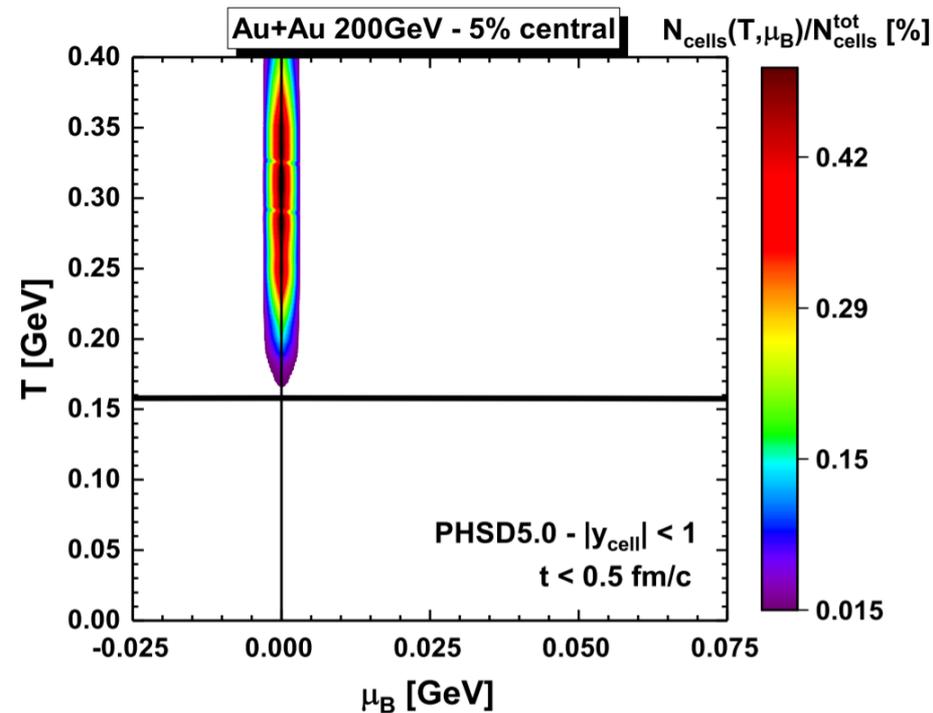
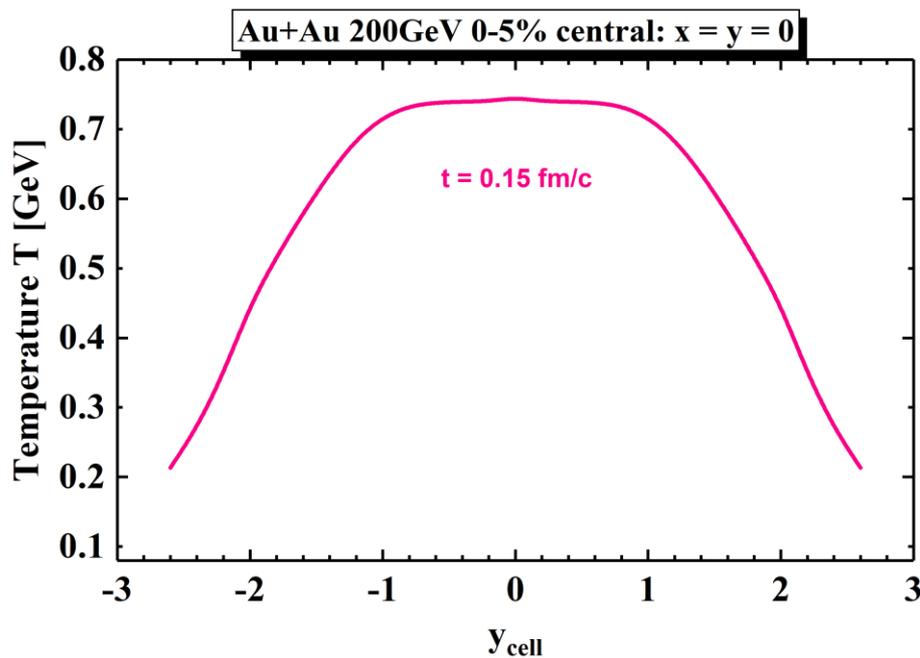
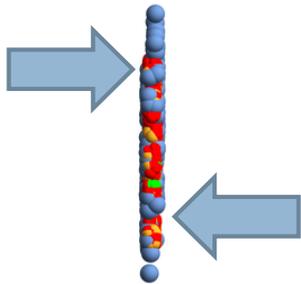


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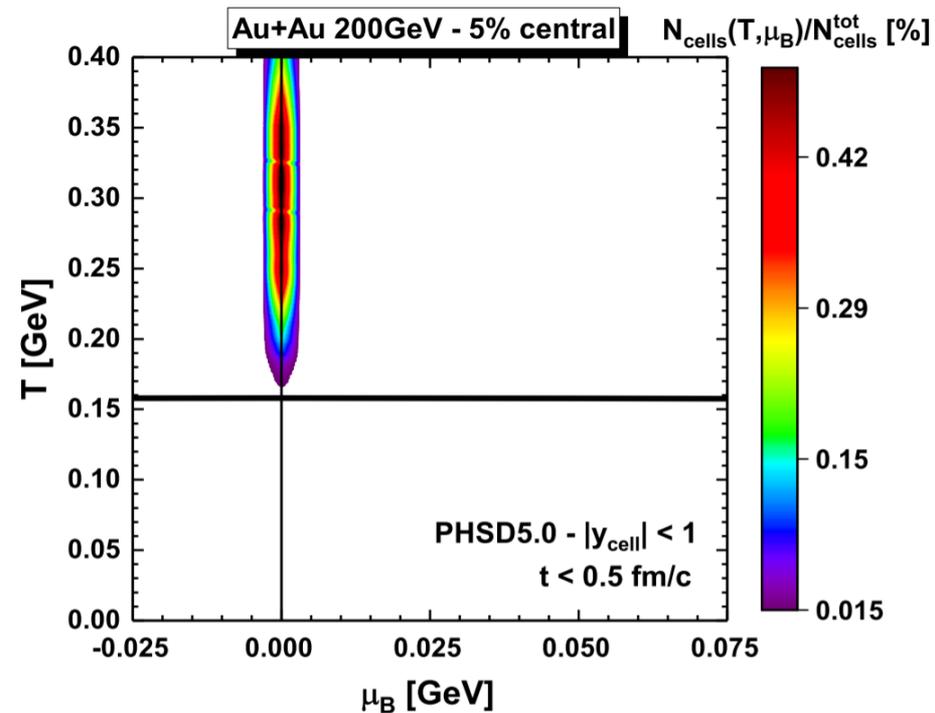
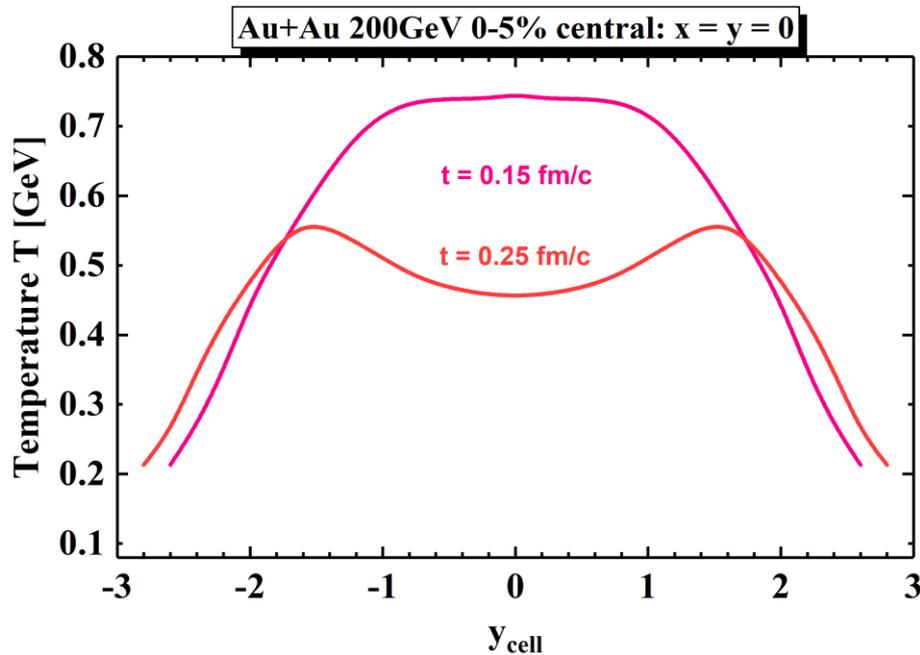
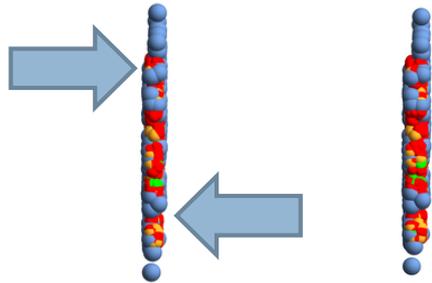


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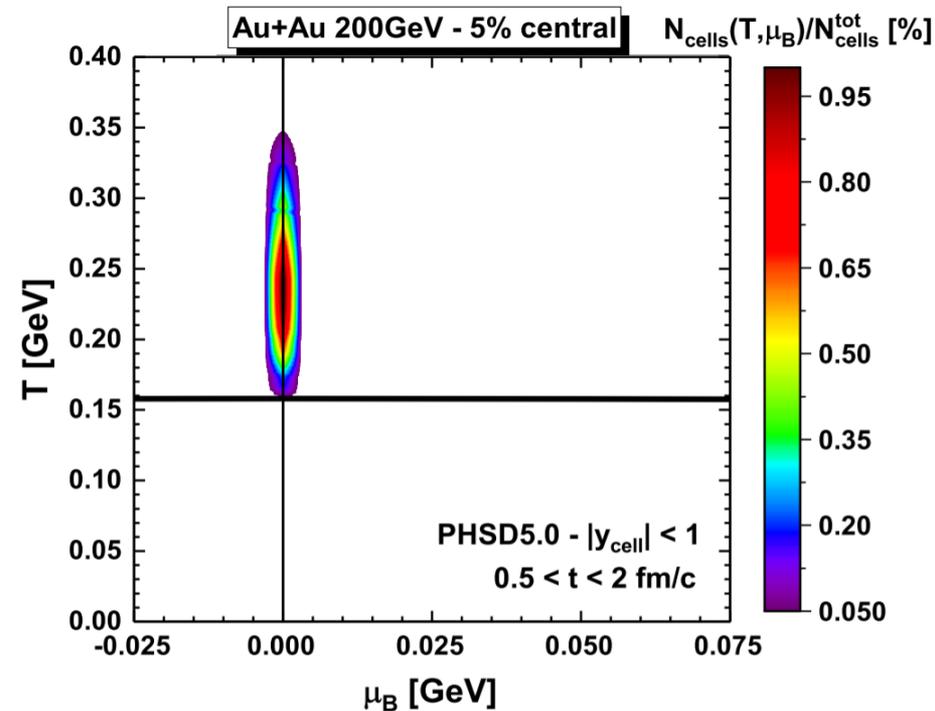
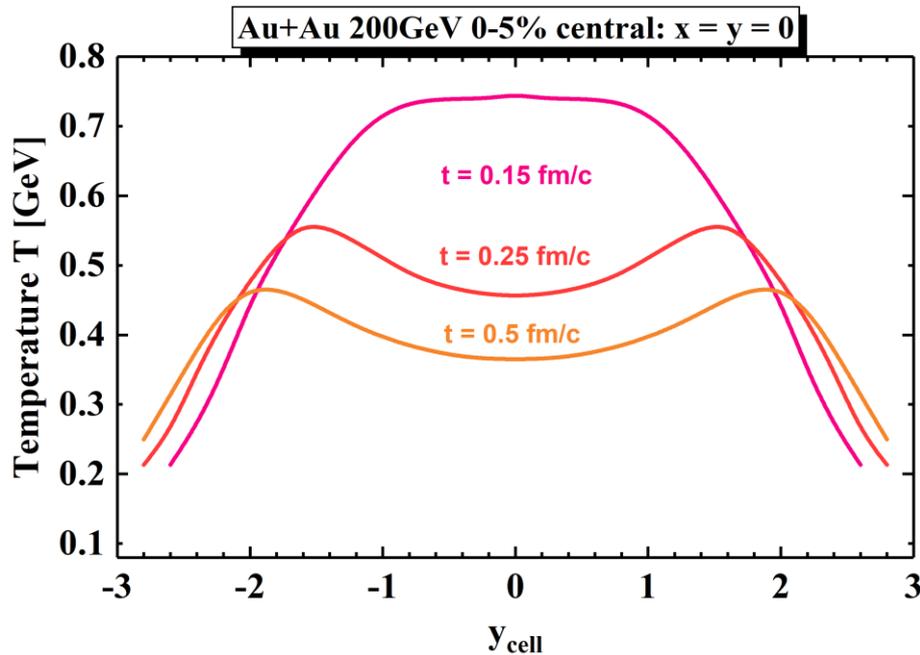
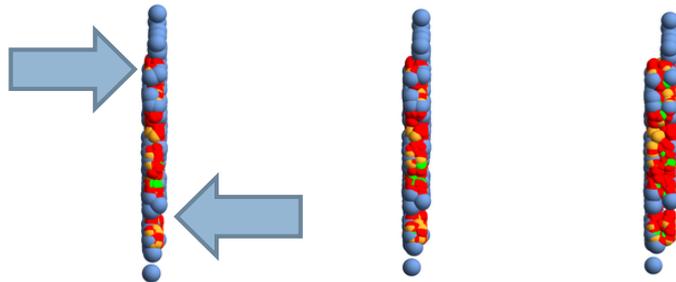


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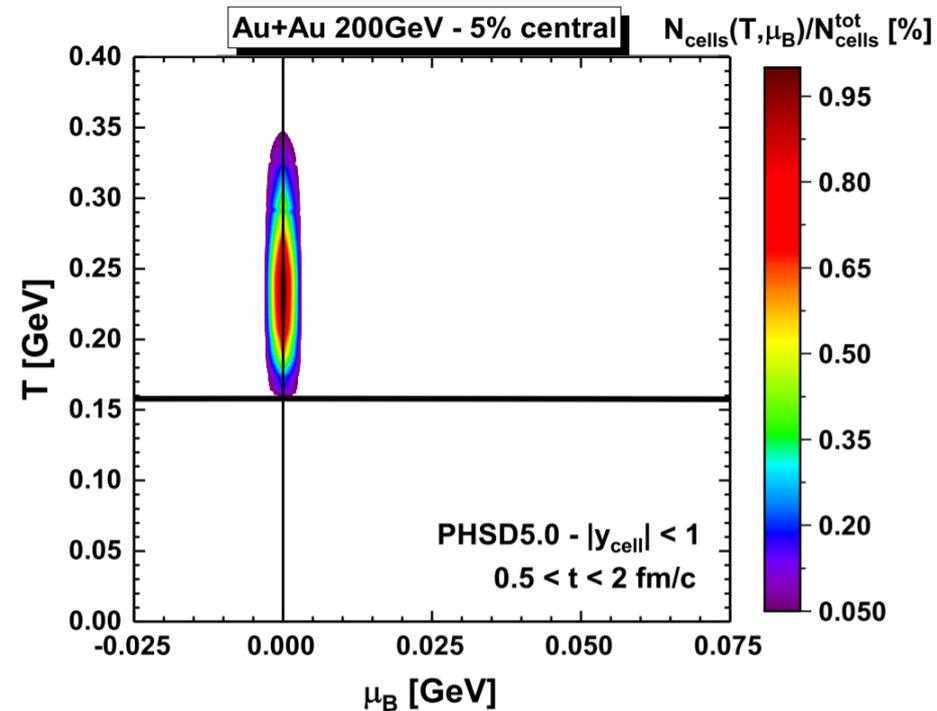
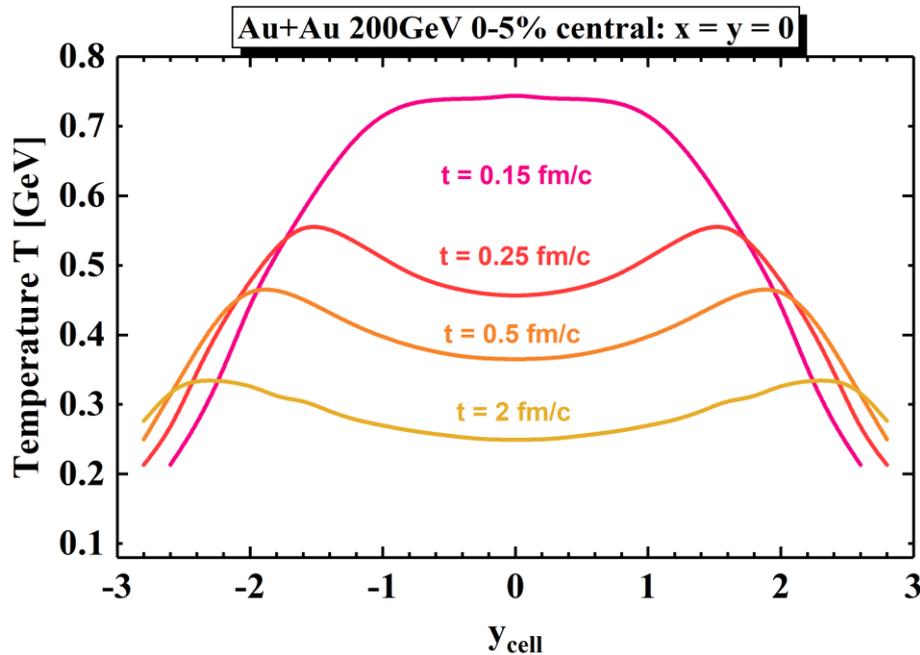
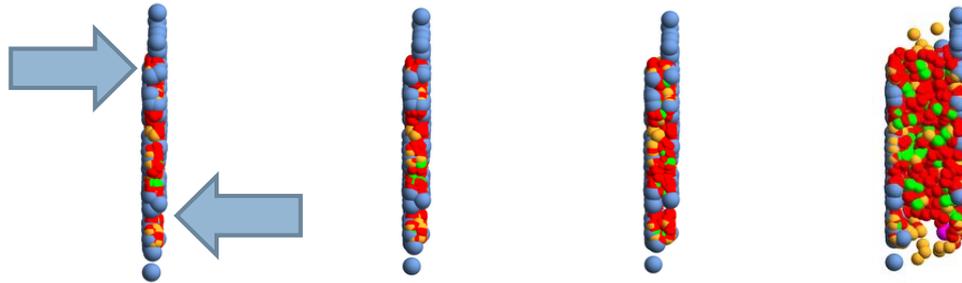


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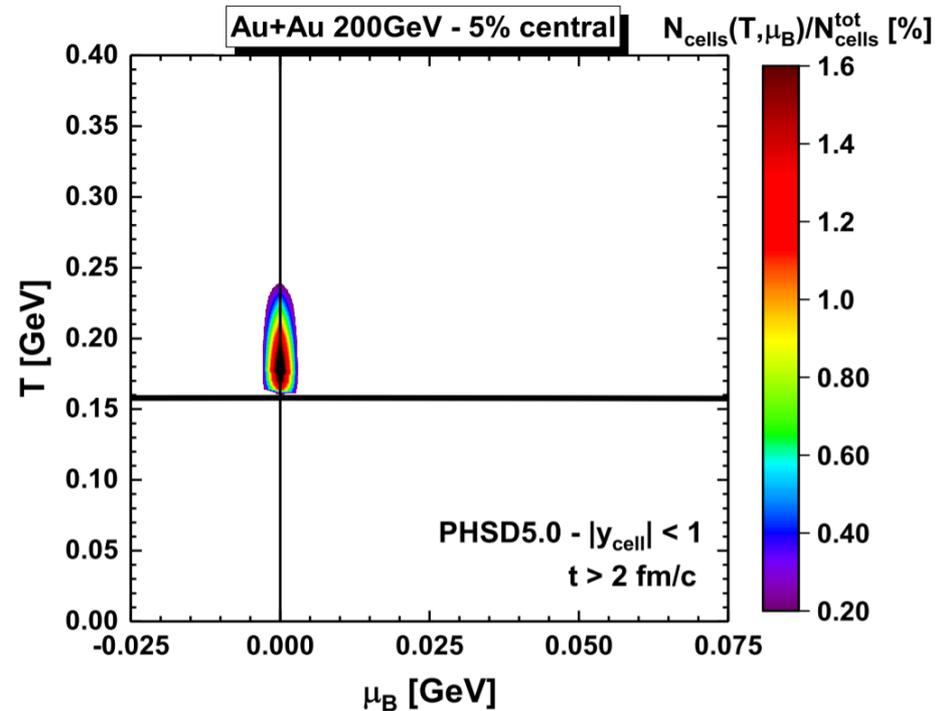
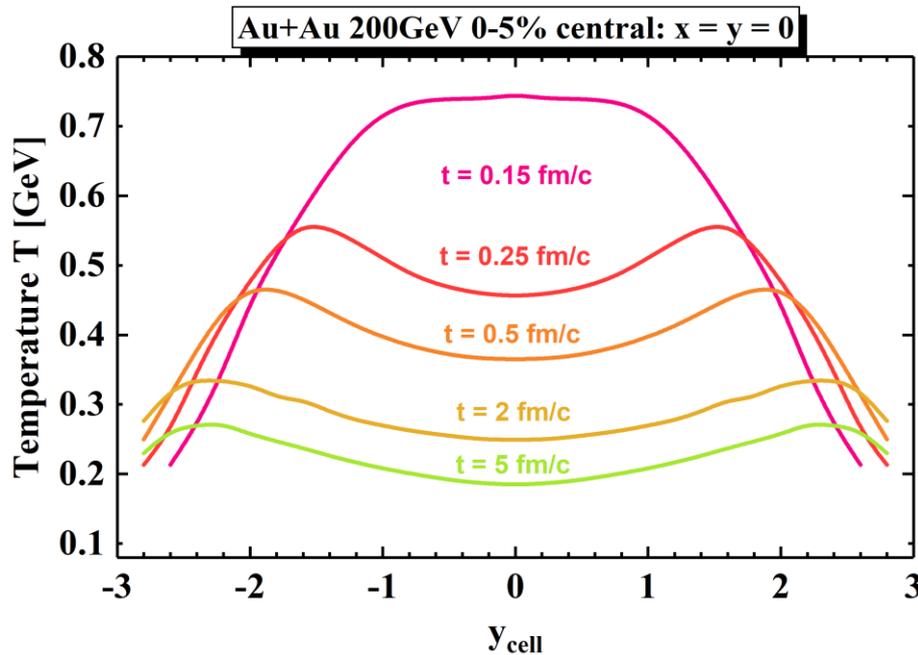
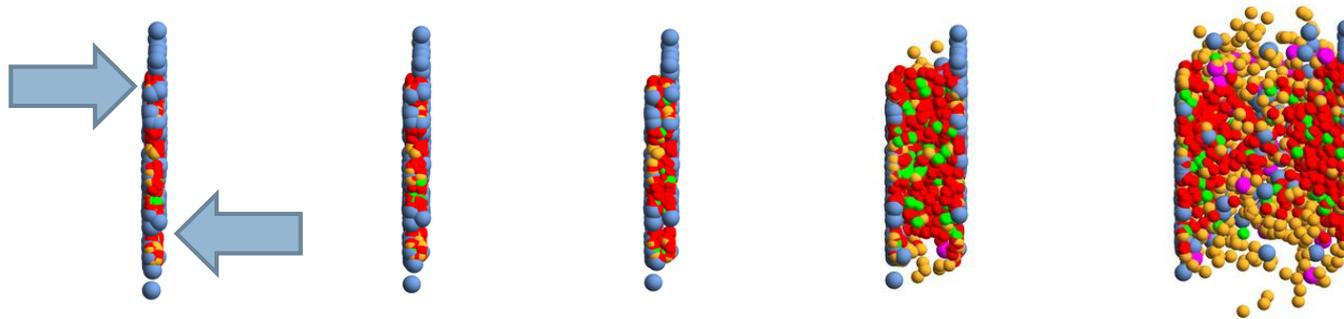
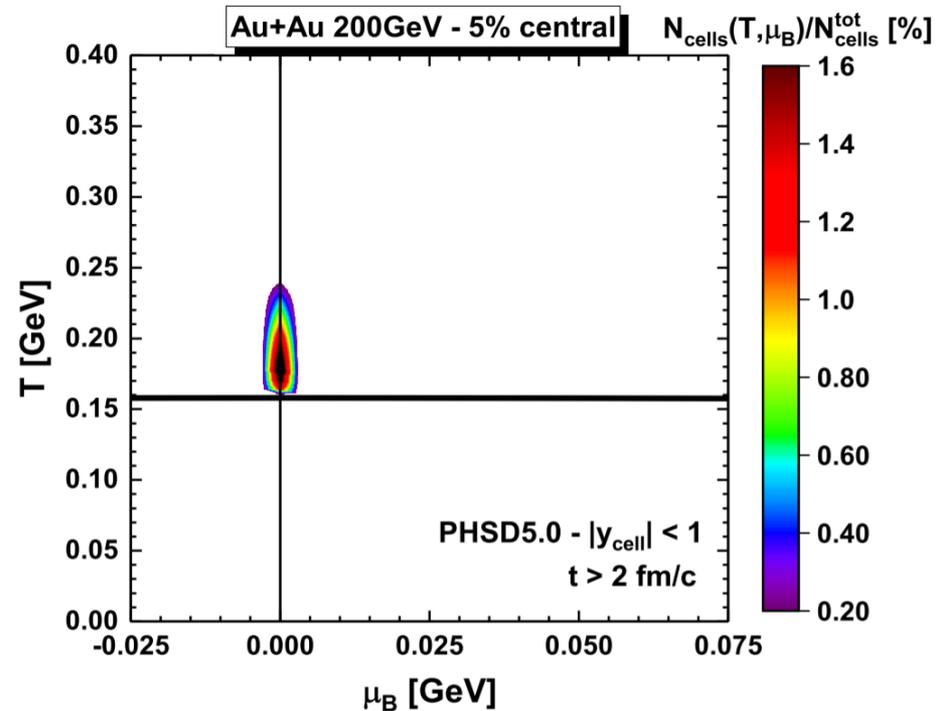
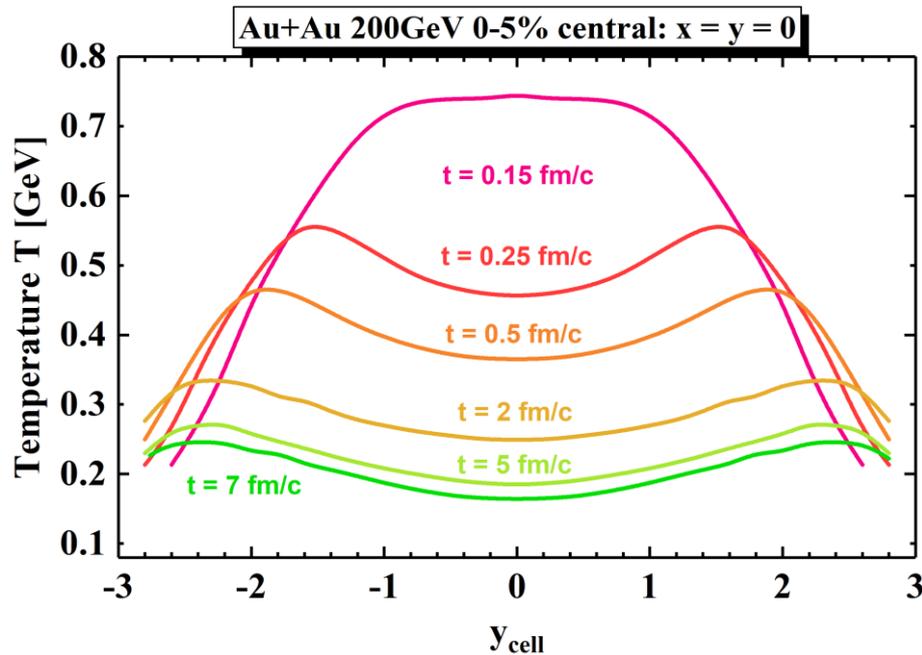
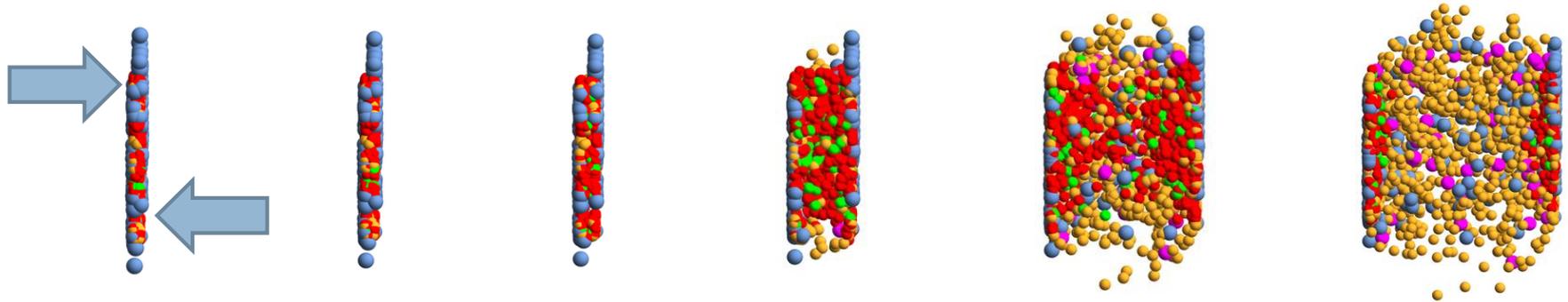
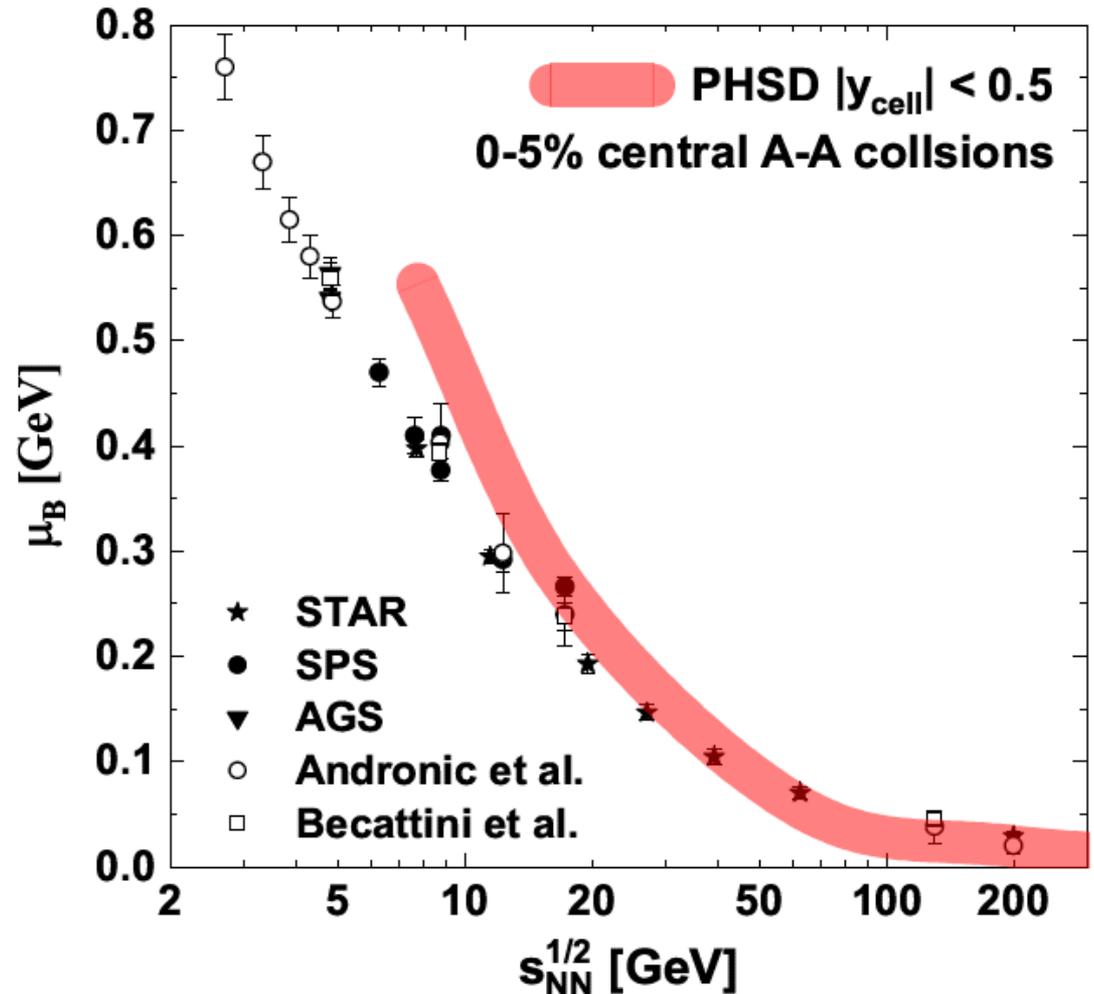


Illustration for HIC ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV)



μ_B -dependence as a function of $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$

- Comparison between:
 - μ_B obtained from a statistical analysis of exp. data
 - μ_B probed in PHSD simulations around the chemical freeze out temperature T_{ch}
- Two completely different quantities!!!



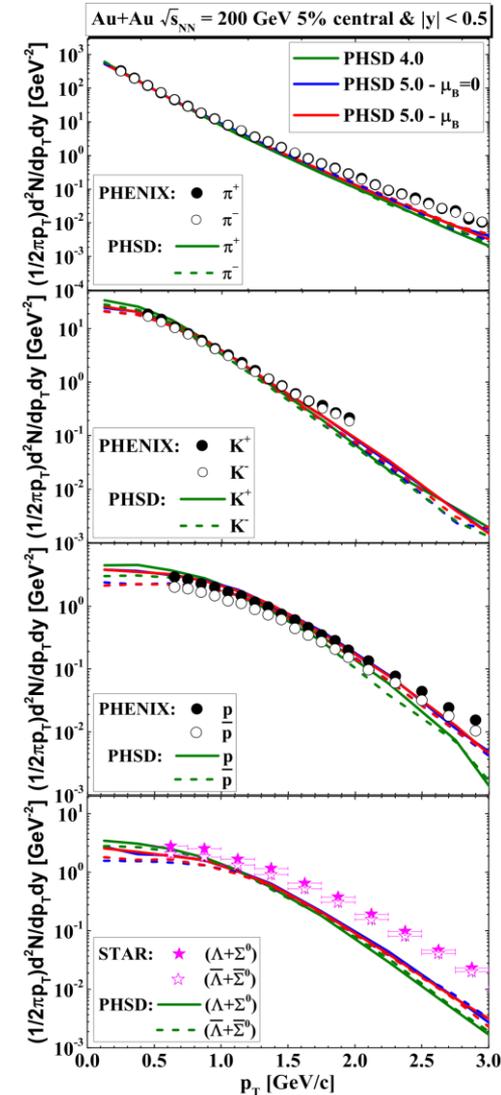
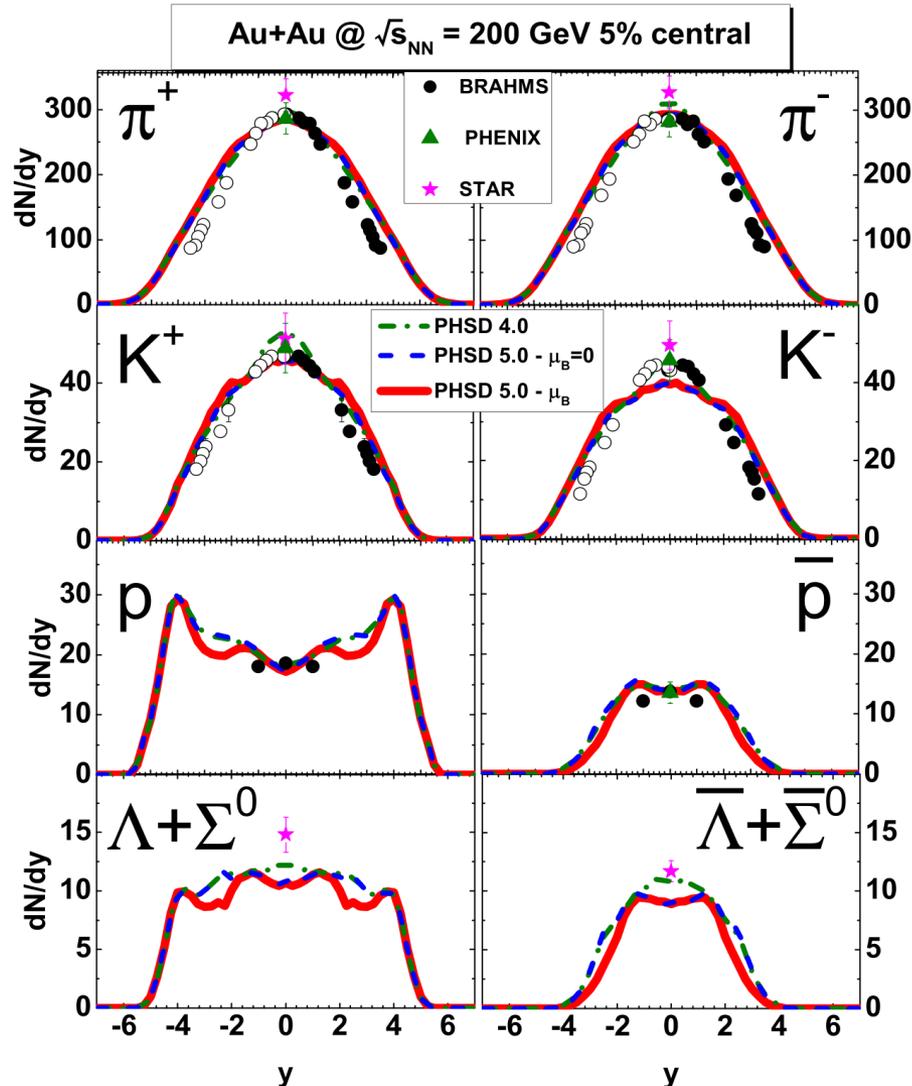
Traces of the QGP at finite μ_B in observables of heavy-ion collisions



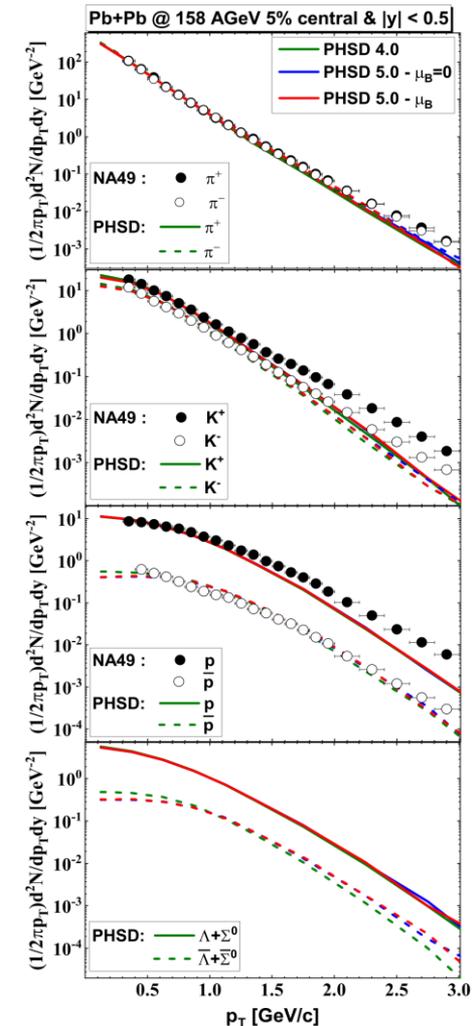
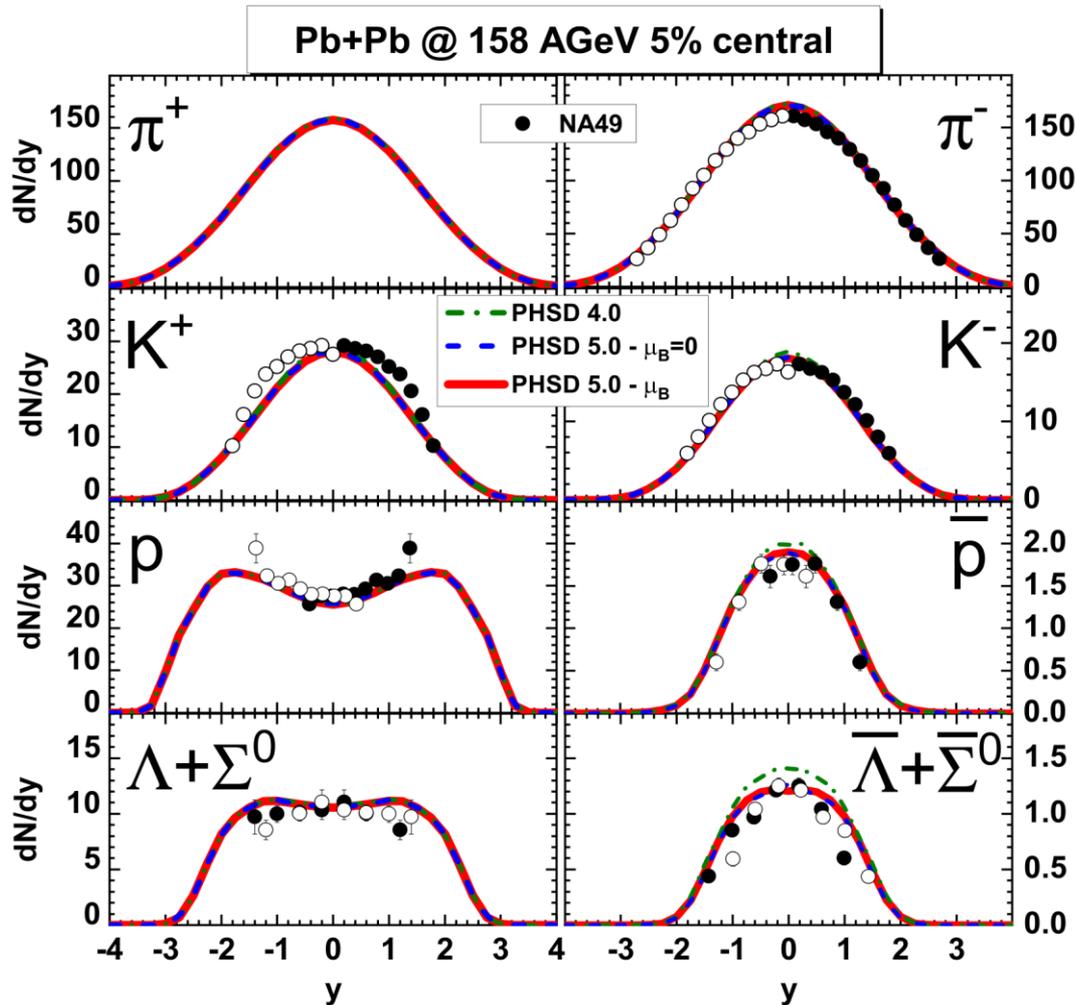
Results for HIC

- **Comparison between three different results:**
 - 1) **PHSD 4.0 : only $\sigma(T)$ and $M(T)$**
 - 2) **PHSD 5.0 : with $\sigma(\sqrt{s}, T, \mu_B = 0)$ and $M(T, \mu_B = 0)$**
 - 3) **PHSD 5.0 : with $\sigma(\sqrt{s}, T, \mu_B)$ and $M(T, \mu_B)$**

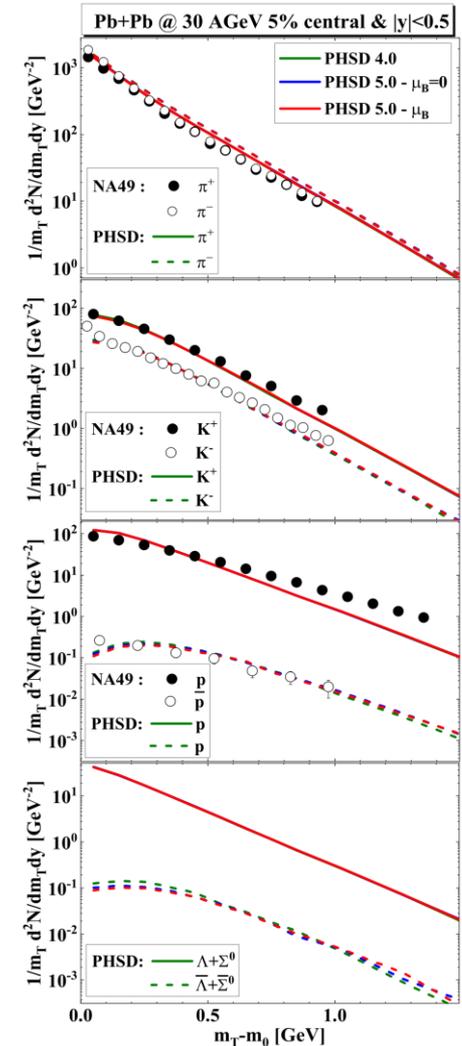
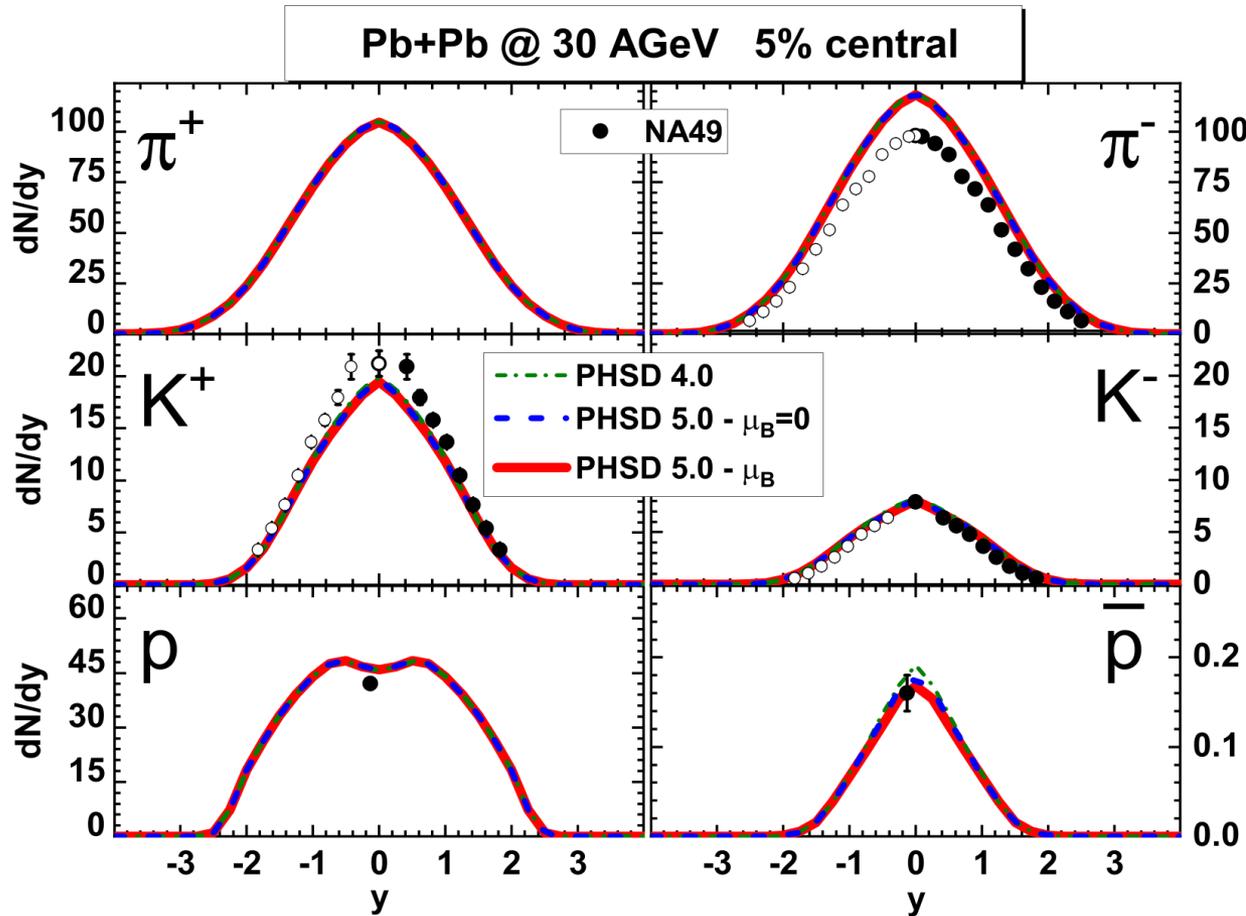
Results for HIC ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV)



Results for HIC ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17$ GeV)



Results for HIC ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.6$ GeV)



Summary / Outlook

- **(T, μ_B) -dependent** cross sections and masses have been implemented in PHSD
- High- μ_B regions are probed at **low** $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ or **high rapidity** regions
- But, **QGP** fraction **is small** at low $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$: no effects seen in bulk observables

- **Outlook:**
 - Study more sensitive probes to finite- μ_B dynamics
 - Use of a more sophisticated QuasiParticle Model with momentum dependent masses and widths
 - Possible 1st order phase transition at larger μ_B ?

Thank you for your attention!

Energy density and baryon density

- Illustration of the **energy density** and **baryon density**

