



Heavy Ion Collisions in the QCD phase diagram

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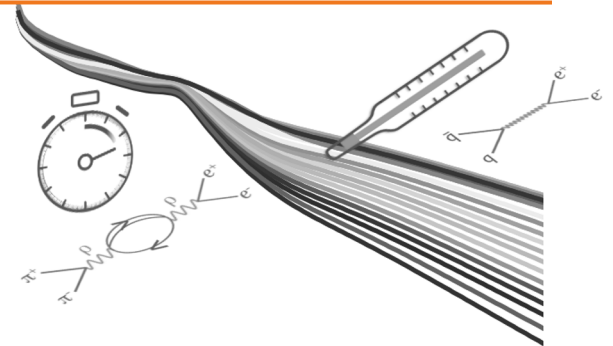
HADRONS IN MEDIUM

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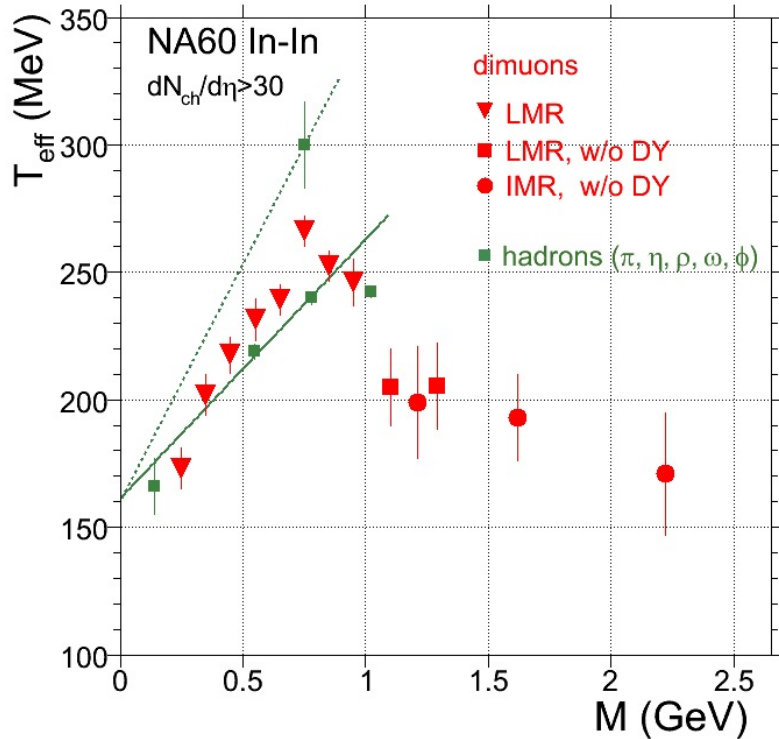
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Lecture 3



The rise and fall of T_{eff} of thermal dimuons



- $M < 1 \text{ GeV}$
 - strong, almost linear rise of T_{eff} with dimuon mass
 - follows trend set by hadrons
- $M > 1 \text{ GeV}$
 - drop of T_{eff} by $\sim 50 \text{ MeV}$
 - followed by an almost flat plateau

What can we learn from m_T spectra?

- ~ radial flow
- ~ origin of dileptons

Dileptons as

THERMOMETER

Emitting source temperature

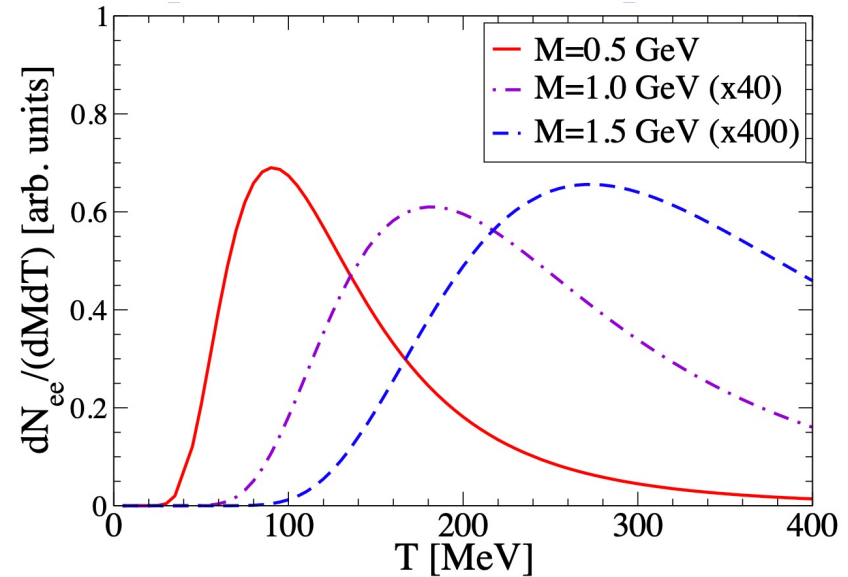
The time-differential invariant-mass spectrum, integrated over 3-momentum and 3-volume at each time snapshot:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dN_{ll}}{dMd\tau} &= \frac{M}{q_0} \int d^3x d^3q \frac{dN_{ll}}{d^4x d^4q} \\ &\simeq \text{const } V_{FB}(\tau) \frac{\text{Im}\Pi_{em}(M; T)}{M} \int \frac{d^3q}{q_0} e^{-\frac{q_0}{T}} \quad * \\ &\simeq \text{const } V_{FB}(\tau) \frac{\text{Im}\Pi_{em}(M; T)}{M^2} e^{-\frac{M}{T}} (MT)^{3/2} \quad ** \end{aligned}$$

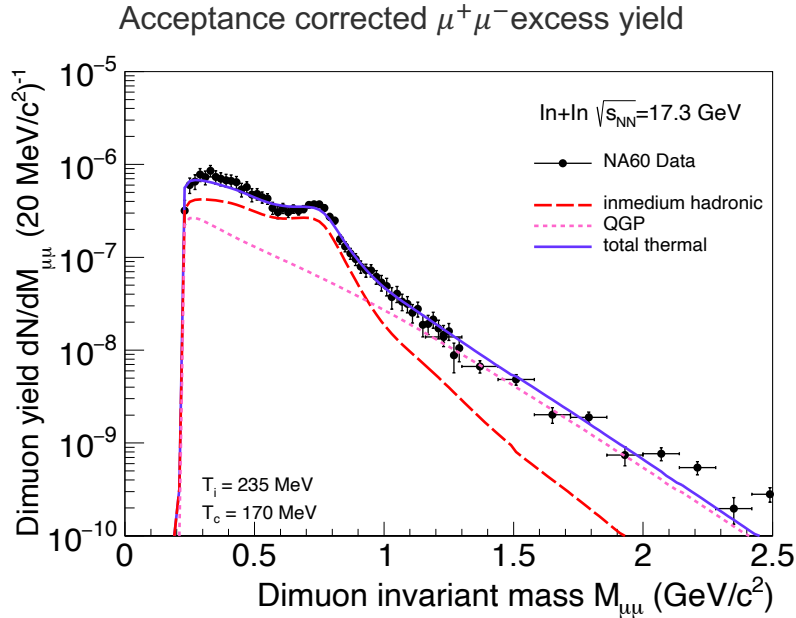
* assumed that the in-medium EM spectral function depends only weakly on 3-momentum

** invoke approximation $T/M \ll 1$

Temperature profile of dilepton yields



Dileptons as thermometer at SPS



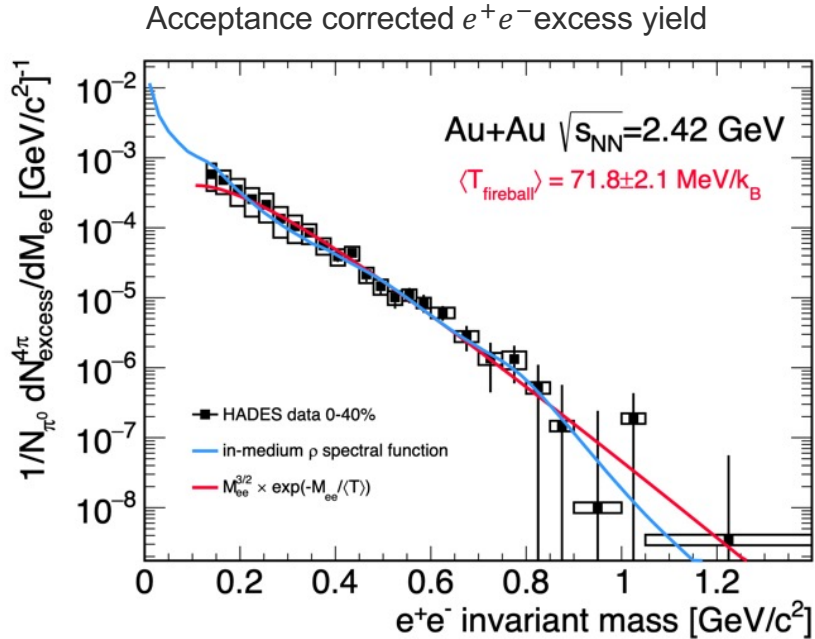
- IMR spectrum falls exponentially
- In the IMR the dilepton rate $\frac{dR_{ll}}{dM} \propto (MT)^3 \exp(-\frac{M}{T})$
- Independent of flow: no blue shift!

$$M = 1.1 - 2 \text{ GeV} : \langle T \rangle = 205 \pm 12 \text{ MeV}$$

$$M = 1.1 - 2.4 \text{ GeV} : \langle T \rangle = 230 \pm 10 \text{ MeV}$$

↷ **the only explicit temperature measurement above T_{pc} in heavy-ion collisions!**

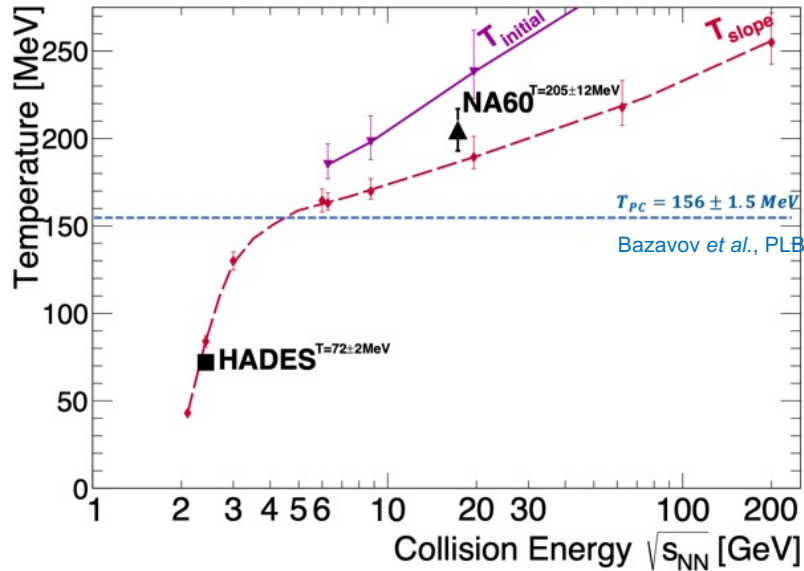
Dileptons as thermometer at SIS18



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$$M = 0.2 - 1.2 \text{ GeV} : \langle T \rangle = 71.8 \pm 2.1 \text{ MeV}$$

Mapping the QCD “caloric curve” (T vs ε)



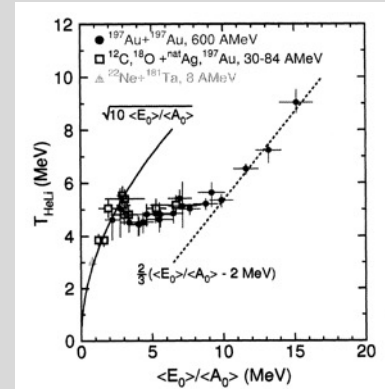
Bazavov *et al.*, PLB 795 (2019) 15-21

Rapp and v. Hess, PLB 753 (2016) 586
 TG *et al.*, EPJA 52 (2016) 131
https://github.com/tgalatyuk/QCD_caloric_curve

Signature for phase transition?

- ↪ phase transition may show up as a plateau!
- ↪ future high statistics experiments

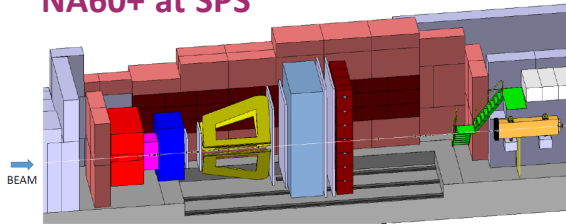
Nuclear liquid-gas phase transition



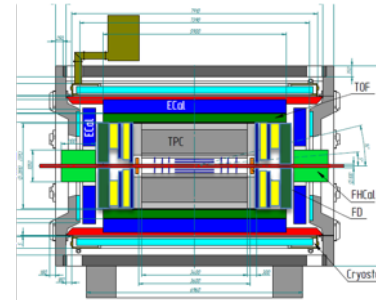
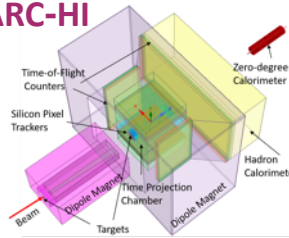
Pochodzalla *et al.*, PRL 75 (1995) 1040

Mapping QCD “caloric curve”, > 2028

NA60+ at SPS

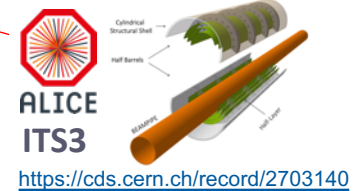
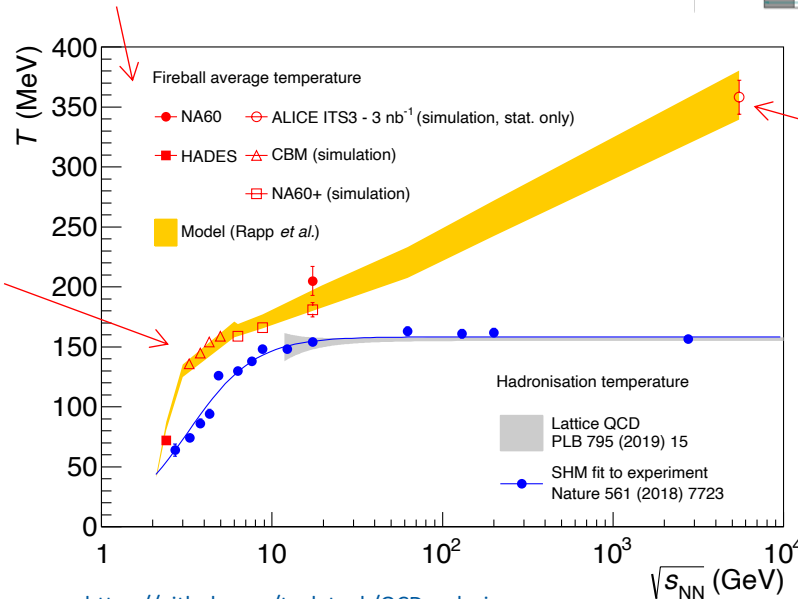
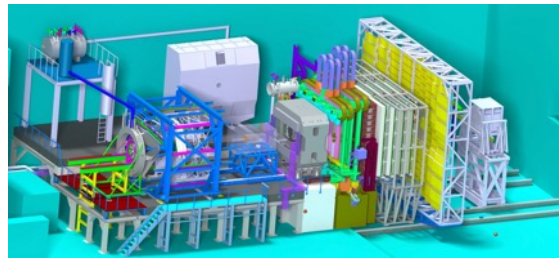


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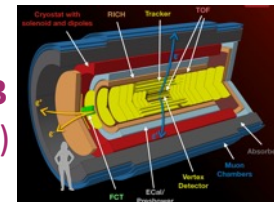


MPD at NICA (Stage II: inner tracker, endcaps)

HADES_{100kHz} / CBM at FAIR



ALICE 3 (>2030)

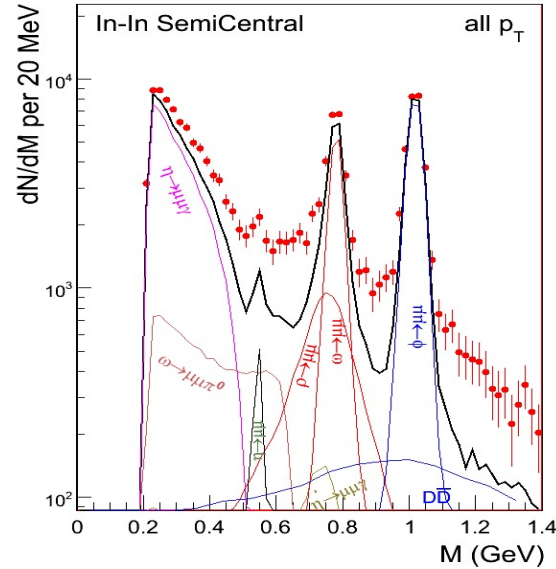
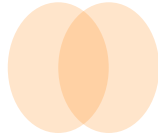
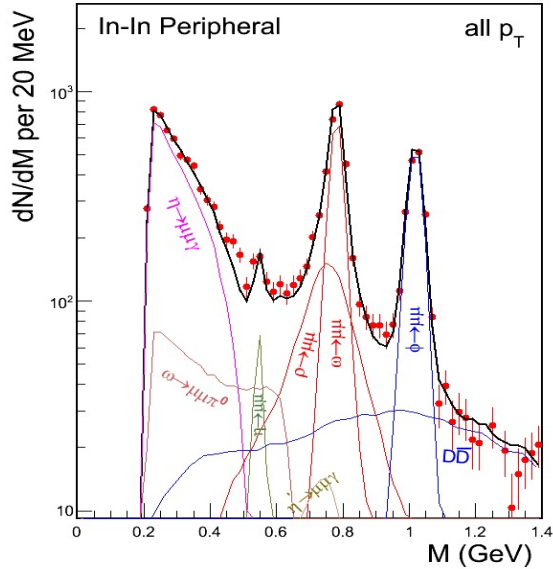


Dileptons as

CHRONOMETER

Dimuon invariant mass from NA60

NA60, Eur.Phys.J.C 49 (2007) 235



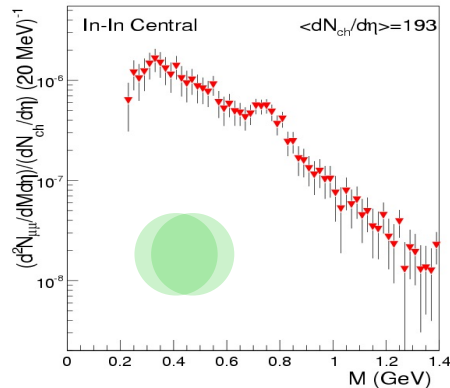
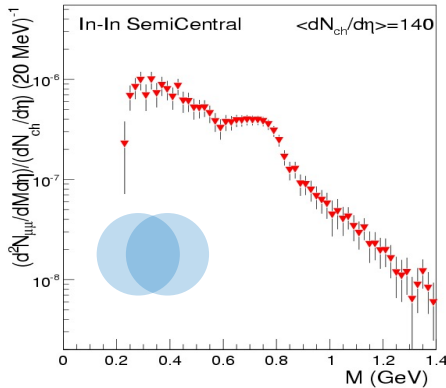
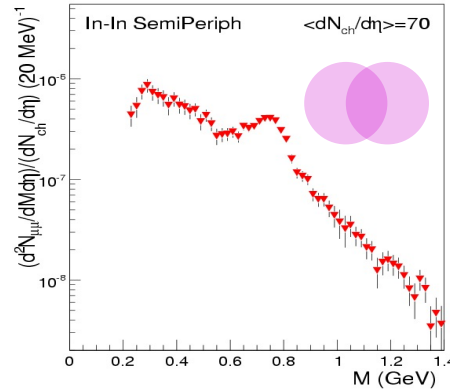
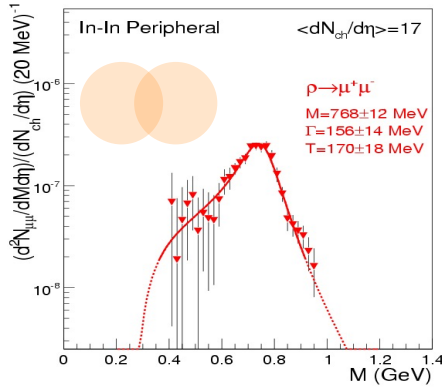
Peripheral data

well described by meson decay 'cocktail'
($\eta, \eta', \rho, \omega, \phi$) and $D\bar{D}$

More central data

clear excess of data above decay 'cocktail'

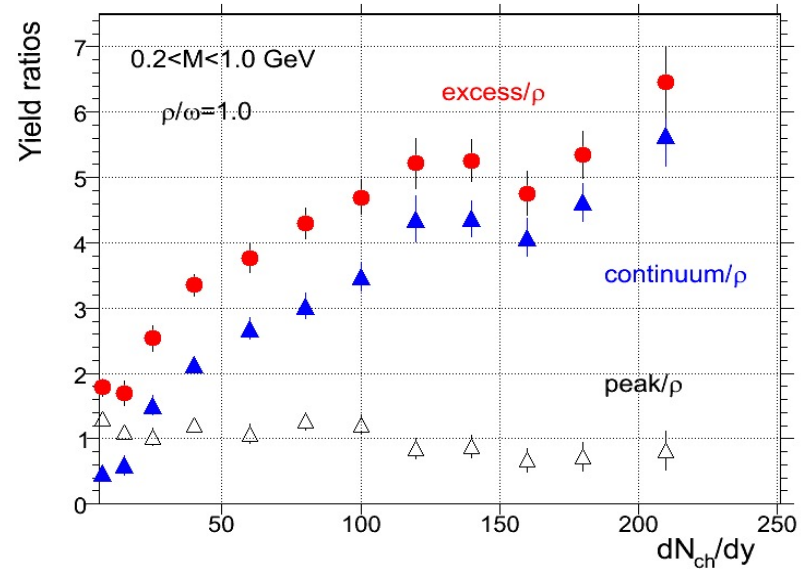
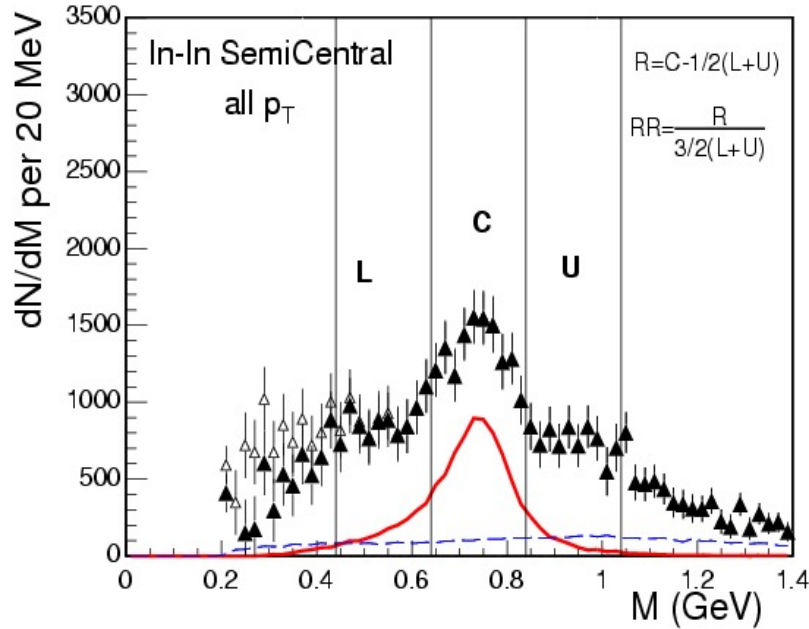
Excess as a function of centrality



Excess radiation is rising with centrality

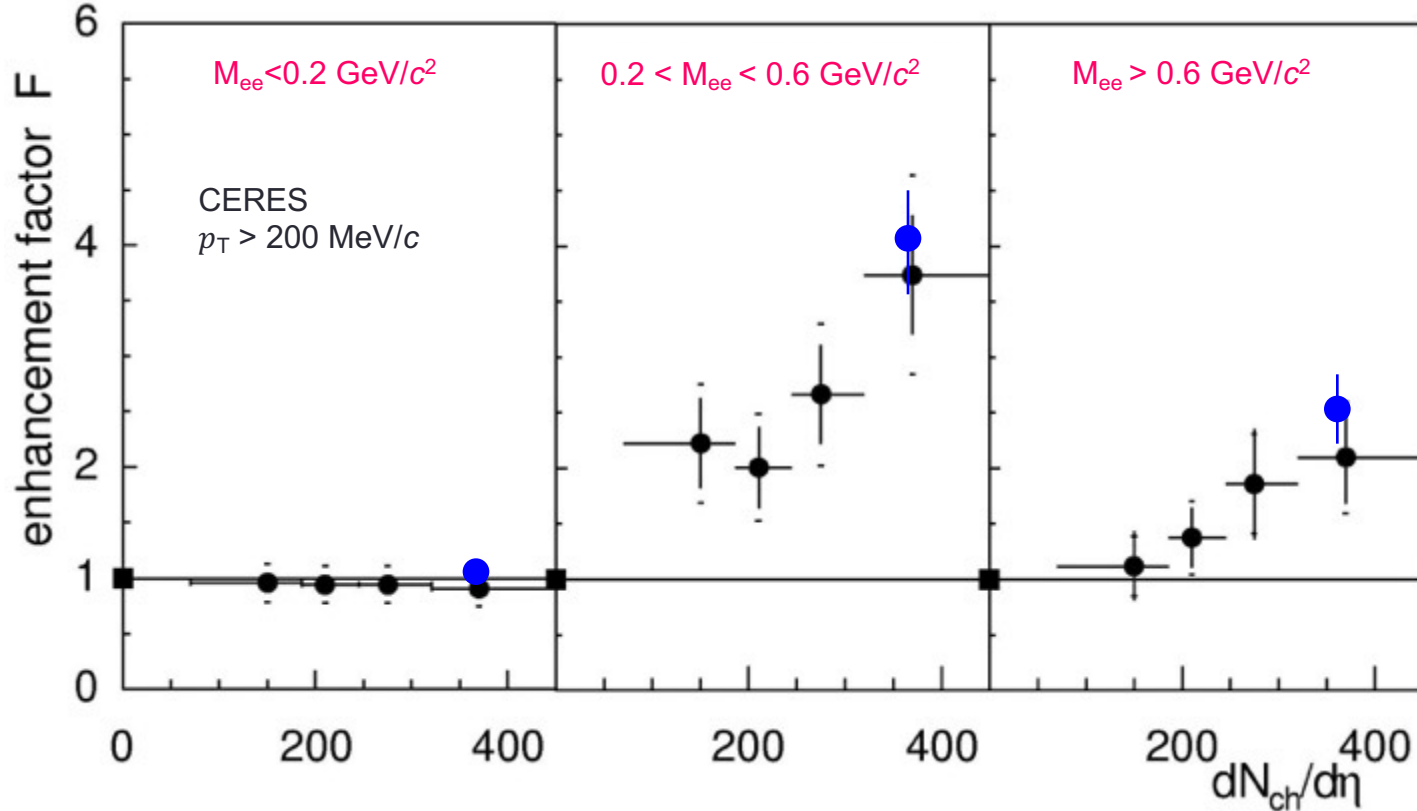
The dilepton clock

Centrality dependence of spectral shape



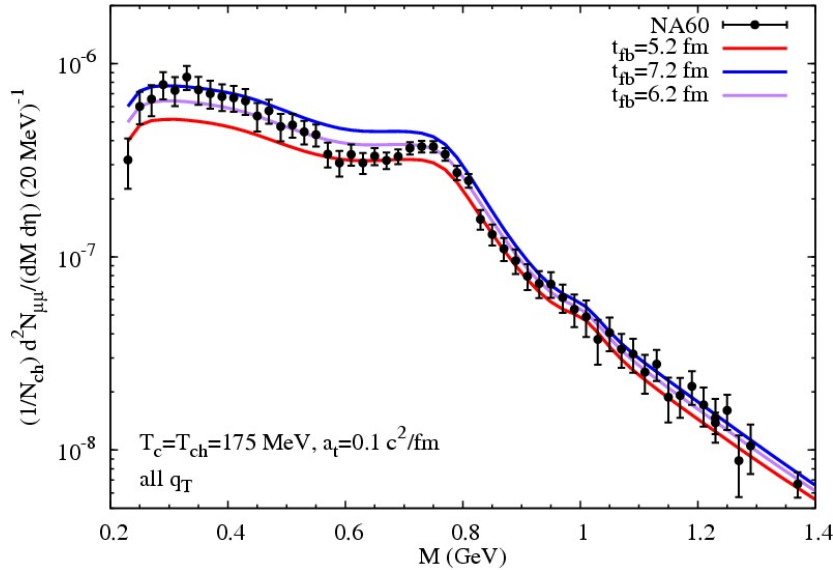
Rapid increase of relative yield reflect the number of ρ 's regenerated in fireball

Centrality dependence of excess



The dilepton clock

NA60: AIP Conf.Proc. 1322 (2010) 1



“explicit” measurement of interacting-fireball lifetime: $\tau_{FB} \approx (7 \pm 1) \text{ fm}/c$

The dilepton clock

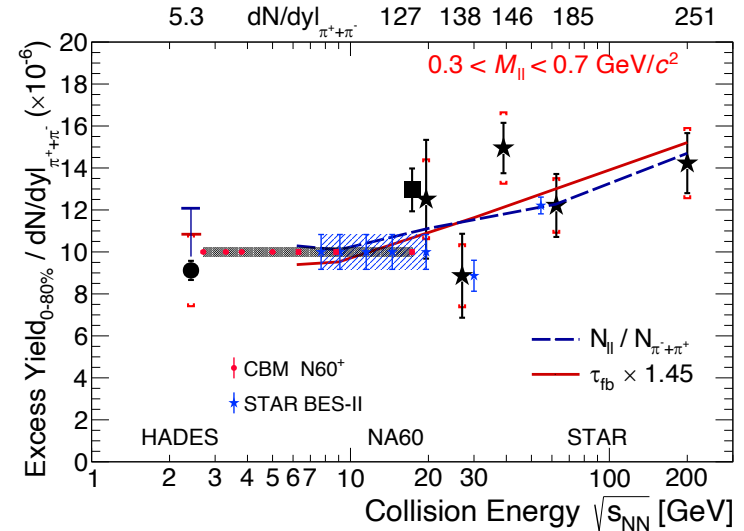
Integrated low-mass radiation
 $0.3 < M < 0.7 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ tracks the fireball lifetime

U. W. Heinz and K. S. Lee, PLB 259, 162 (1991)
 H. W. Barz, B. L. Friman, J. Knoll and H. Schulz, PLB 254, 315 (1991)

The amount of radiation depends on both the volume V_{FB} and the lifetime of the fireball τ_{FB}

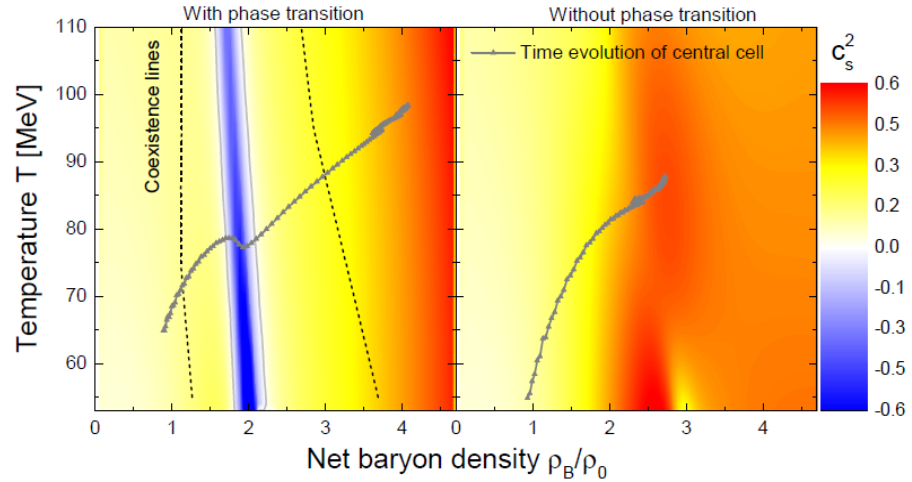
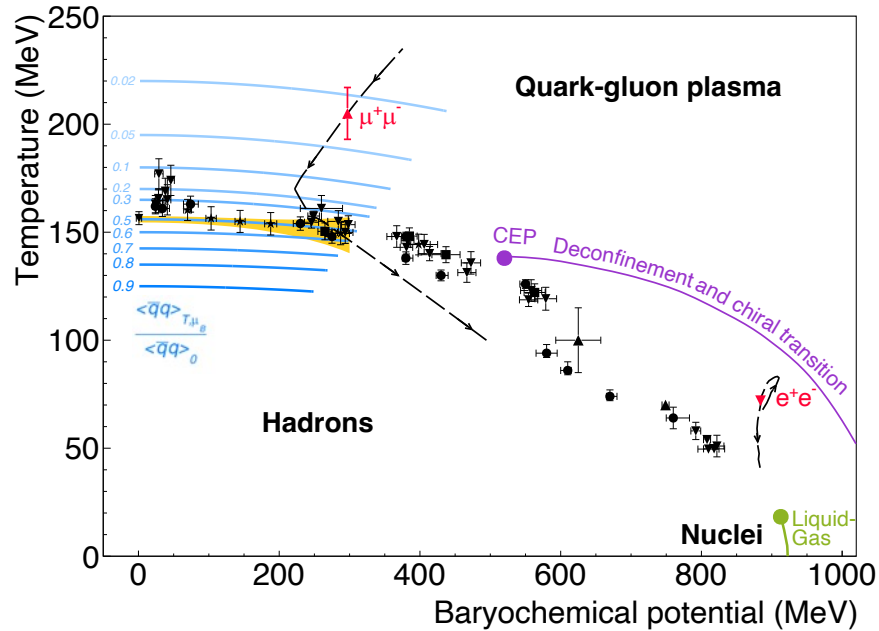
V_{FB} , at a given collision energy and centrality class, is proportional to the number of charged particles \rightarrow accessible through hadronic final-state observables

\rightarrow Normalize the low-mass dilepton yields to the number of charged particles or the number of pions
 \rightarrow obtain a measure of the τ_{FB}



TG., JPS Conf.Proc. 32 (2020) 010079

Dilepton signature of a 1st order phase transition

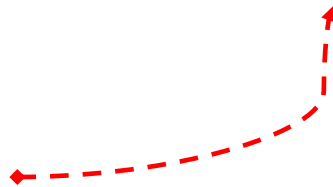
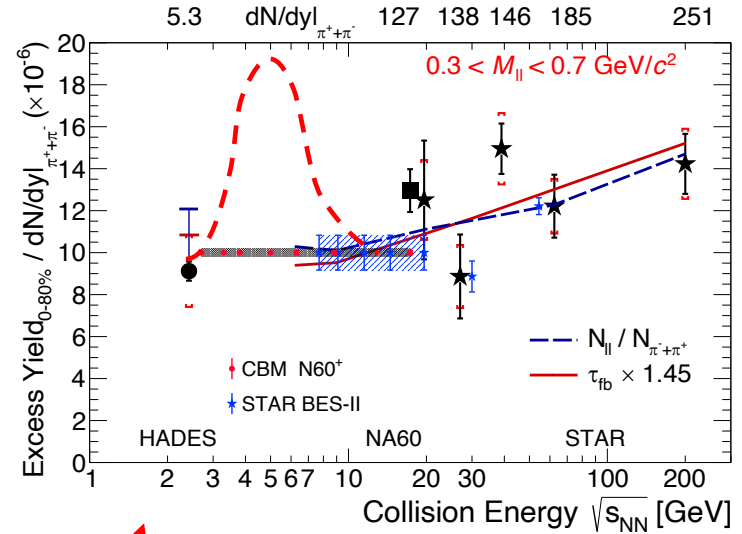
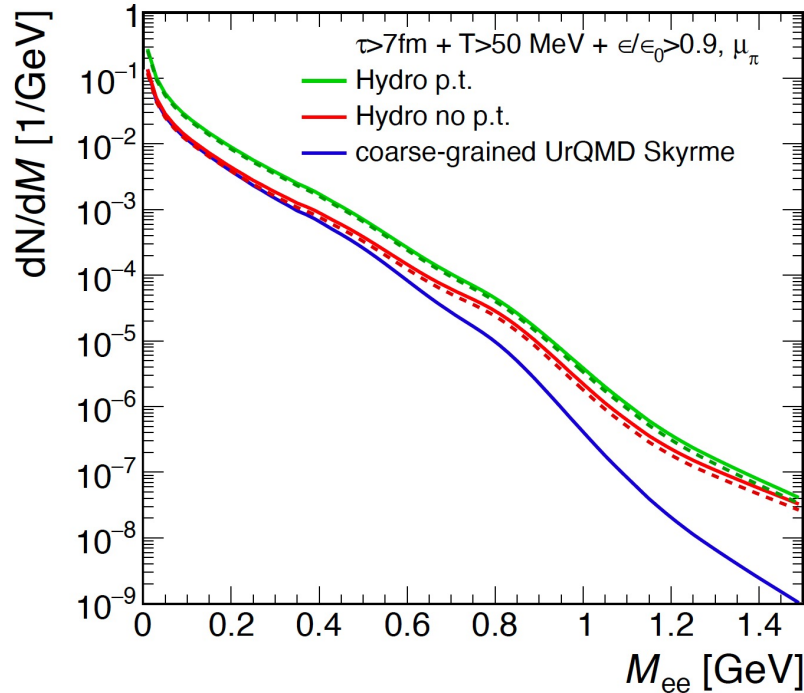


Dilepton radiation in hydrodynamics

- implement 1st-order transition into CMF/PNJL model by increasing scalar quark couplings

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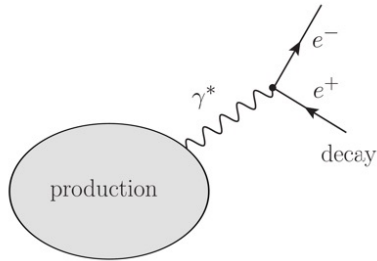
Factor of ~2 extra radiation in case of hydro with phase transition



Dileptons as

POLARIMETER

Virtual photon polarization and dilepton anisotropy



The spin-1 structure of the EM correlator carries valuable information on the production process of lepton pairs:

- Angular distribution of dilepton pairs
- Polarization states of the γ^*
- Information on the production mechanism

Speranza, Jaiswal, Friman, PLB782 (2018) 395
Speranza, PhD thesis, TUDa 2017

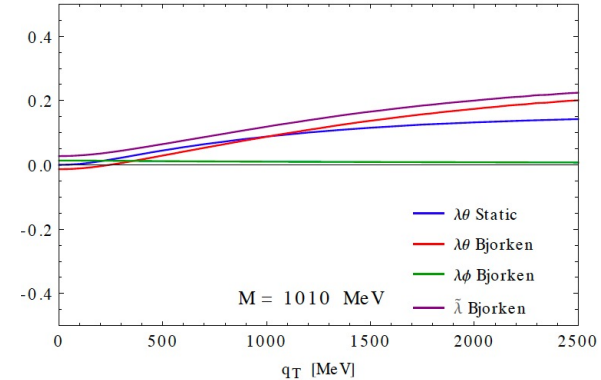
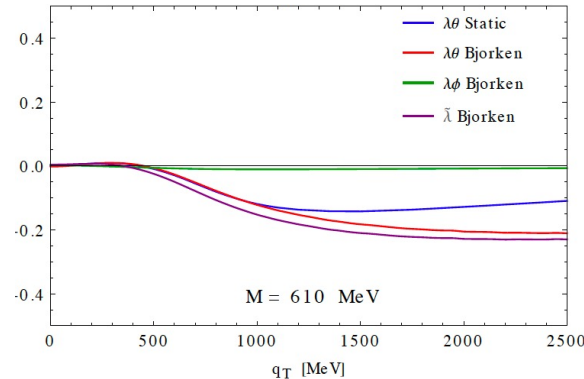
$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d^4q d\Omega_l} = \mathcal{N} (1 + \lambda_\theta \cos^2 \theta_l + \lambda_\phi \sin^2 \theta_l \cos 2\phi_l + \dots)$$

$$\Gamma \equiv \frac{dN}{d^4x} \quad \text{dilepton production rate}$$

$$\lambda_\theta = \frac{\rho_T - \rho_L}{\rho_T + \rho_L} \quad \text{anisotropy coefficient}$$

$$\tilde{\lambda} = \frac{\lambda_\theta - 3\lambda_\phi}{1 - \lambda_\phi}$$

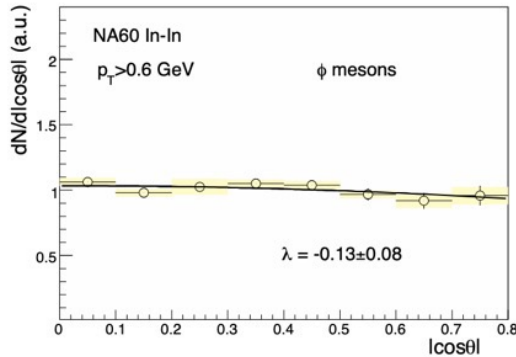
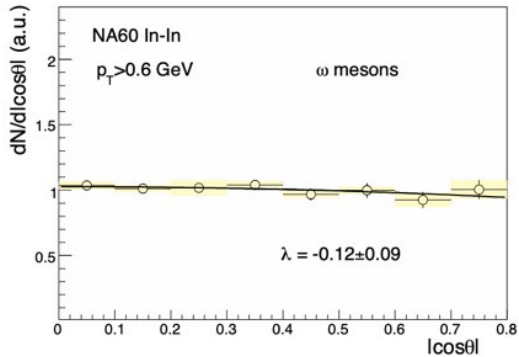
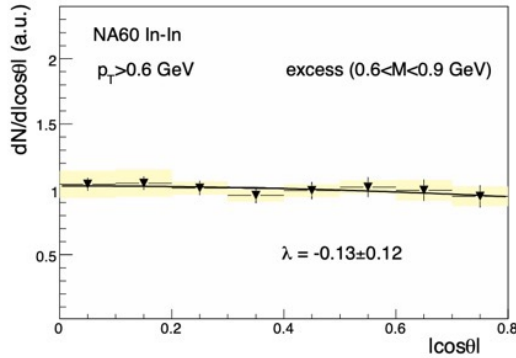
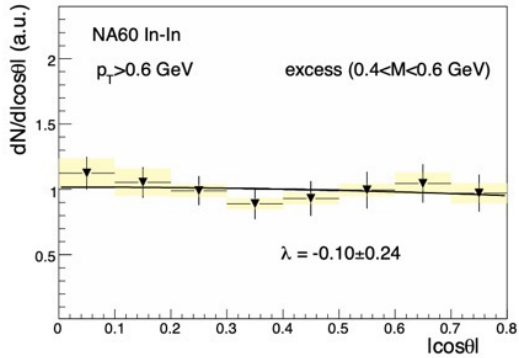
ρ_T, ρ_L from realistic EM spectral functions



Speranza, Friman, Galatyuk, v. Hees, Rapp, Wambach, in preparation

Virtual photons from (unpolarized) thermal sources are polarized!

Polarization measurements NA60



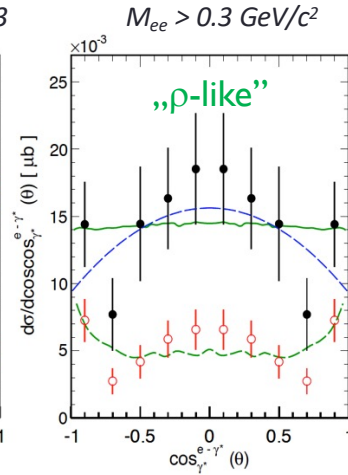
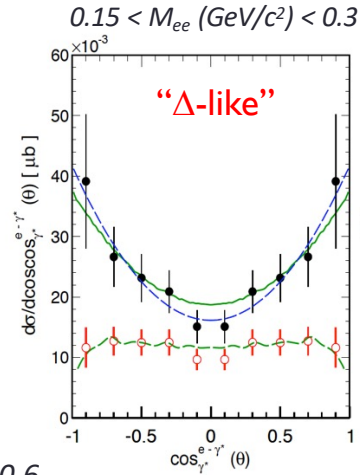
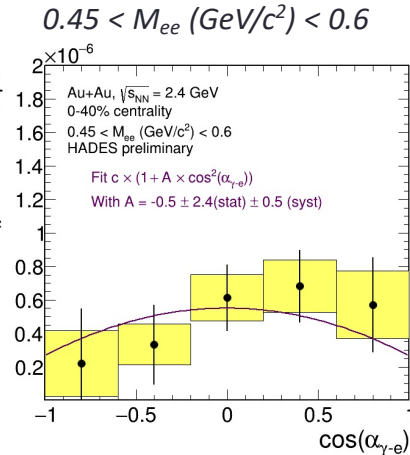
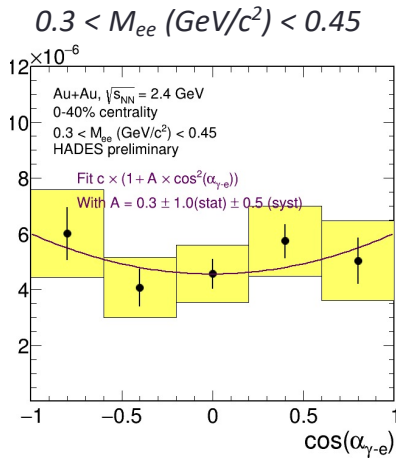
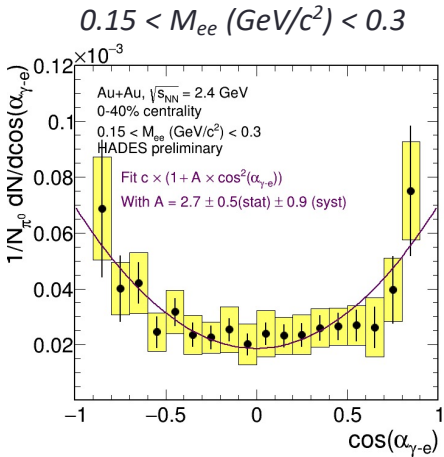
- NA60: no evidence for polarization at least not at the level of statistical and systematic uncertainties

NA60: PRL 96 (2009) 222301

Helicity angle (in the γ^* rest frame)...

- ... measures the photon polarization [HADES: PRC 84 \(2011\) 014902](#)

HADES n+p $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.4$ GeV



For $\pi^+\pi^- \rightarrow \rho \rightarrow e^+e^-$
expected $B=-1 \rightarrow$ hint for
vector meson contribution

Bratkovskaya *et al.*, PLB 348 (1995) 325

Dileptons as

AMPEREMETER

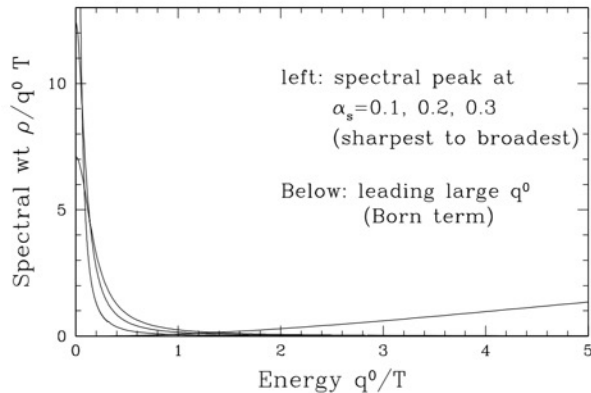
Transport properties of the medium

Electrical conductivity

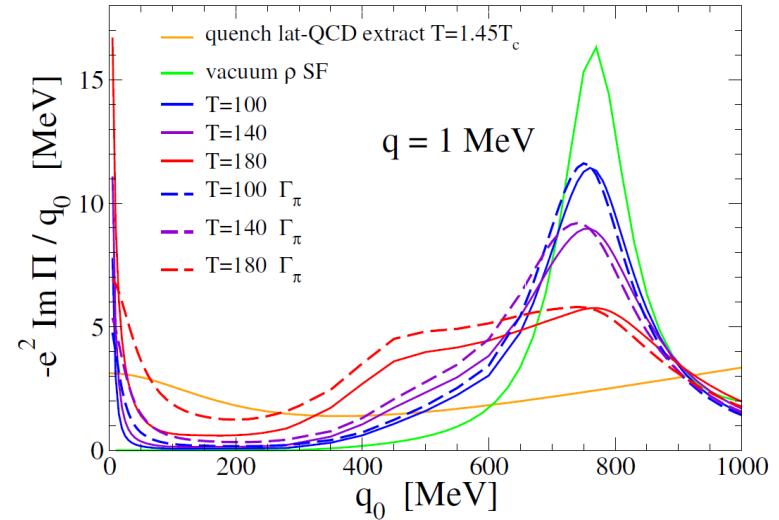
can be directly obtained from the low-energy limit of the EM spectral function (at vanishing momentum)

$$\sigma_{el}(T) = -e^2 \lim_{q_0 \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta}{\delta q_0} \text{Im} \Pi_{em}(q_0, q = 0; T)$$

Transport peak in the limit of very low mass and ρ_T



Rapp, EMMI RRTF 2021



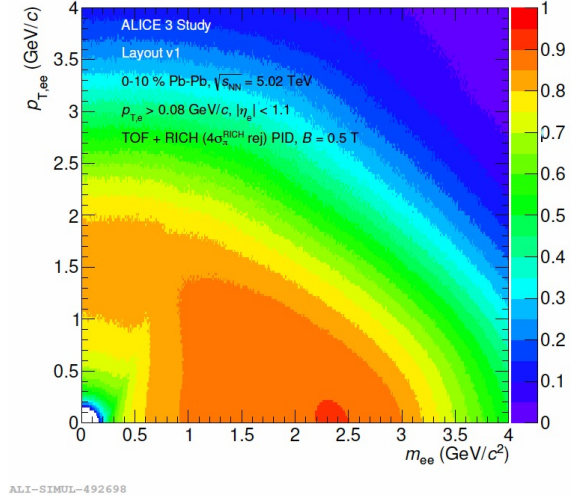
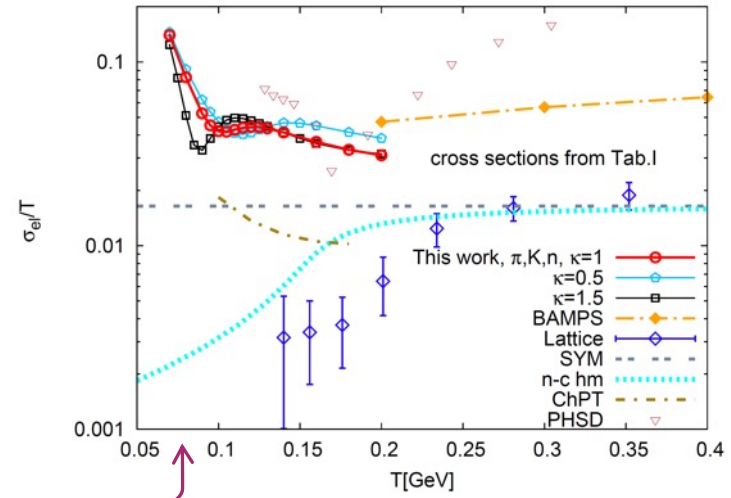
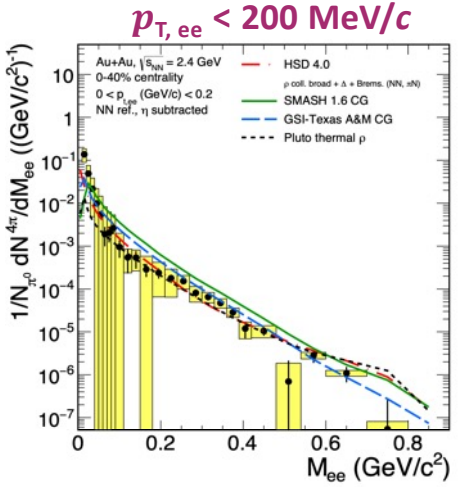
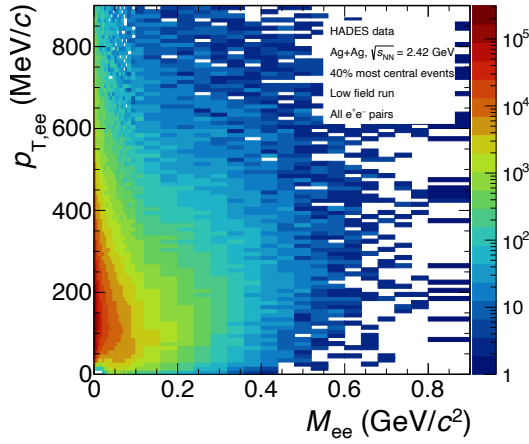
Conductivity is reduced when thermal-pion interactions included

Transport peak broadens

Experimental challenge

Measure accurately low mass – low p_T thermal excess yield

ALICE 3, simulations



large spread in literature

Greif, Greiner, Denicol, Phys.Rev. D93 (2016) 096012
Atchison, Rapp, Phys. Conf.Ser. 832 (2017) 012057 (2017)

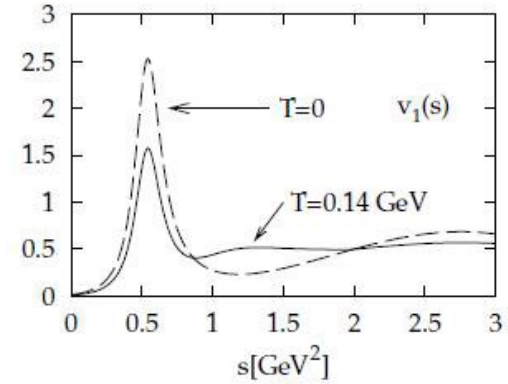
Dileptons and

CHIRAL SYMMETRY

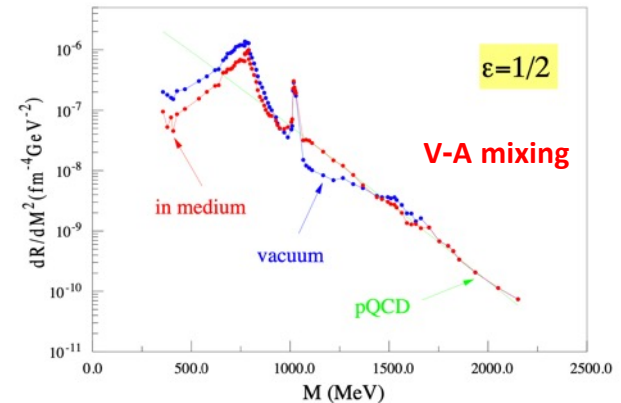
(additional) Signature for chiral symmetry restoration

- Changes in yield and shape at $M_{ee} > 1.1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ due to $\rho - a_1$ chiral mixing
- $\pi a_1 \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ (chiral mixing) is a dominant hadronic source in IMR

Dey, Eletsky and Ioffe, Phys.Lett. B252 (1990)

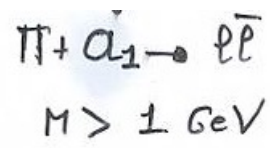
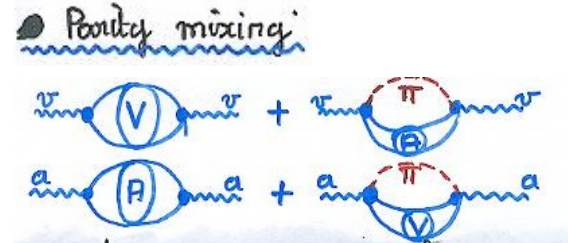


R.Rapp, J. Wambach, Adv.Nucl.Phys. 25 (2000)



⊕ GOR relation

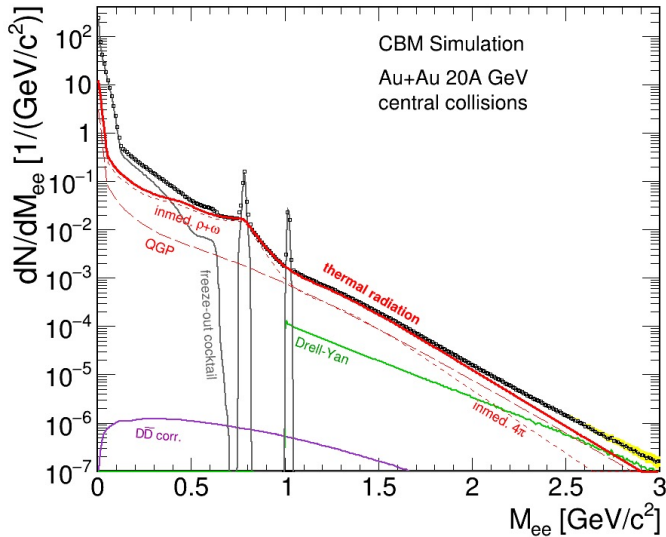
$$R = \frac{\langle\langle \bar{q}q \rangle\rangle(\beta T)}{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle_{\text{vac}}} = 1 - \sum_R \frac{S_R \Sigma_R}{P_R^2 m_R^2} + \text{correlations}$$



Medium effects are more density effects than temperature effects

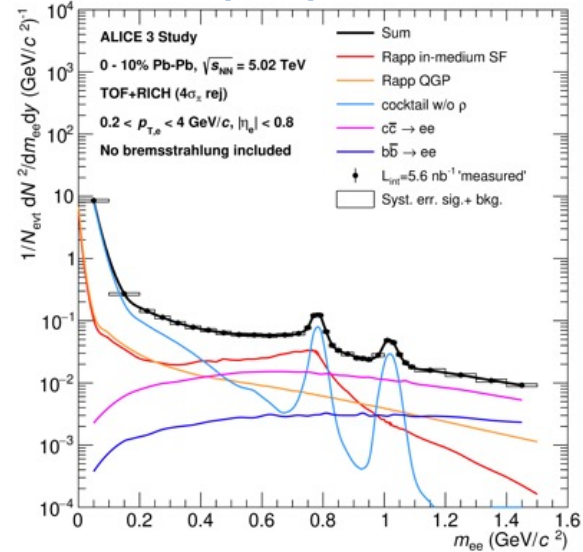
Experimental challenge: physics background ($M_{ll} > 1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$)

F. Seck [CBM], 2015



- Towards lower energy
 - negligible correlated charm contribution
 - decrease of QGP
 - Drell-Yan contribution

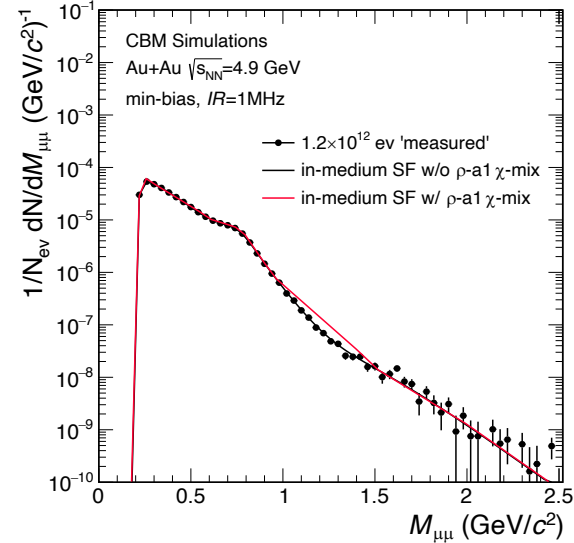
F. Eisenhut [ALICE], DPG 2021



- LHC energies
 - large contribution from $c\bar{c}$, $b\bar{b}$ and QGP
 - negligible Drell-Yan

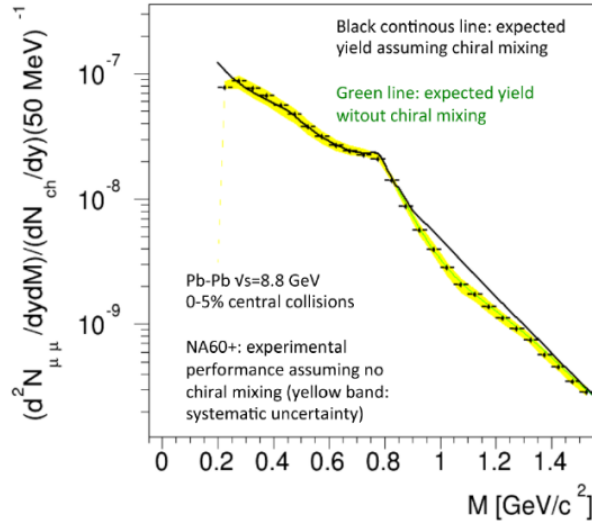
Feasibility studies

TG [CBM], 2022



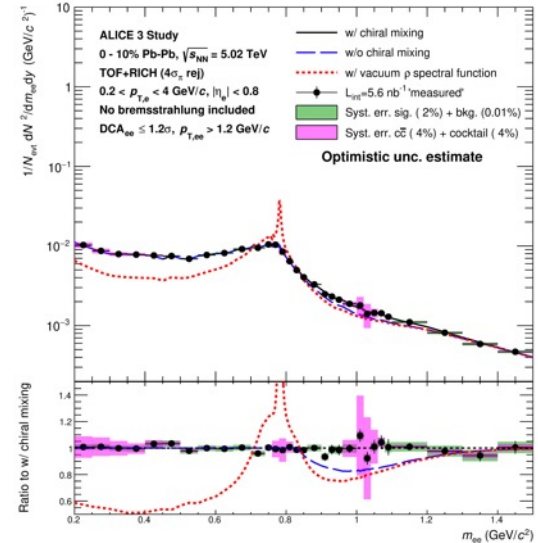
- Towards lower energy
 - Drell-Yan contribution → pp, pA measurements

Usai [NA60+], 2020

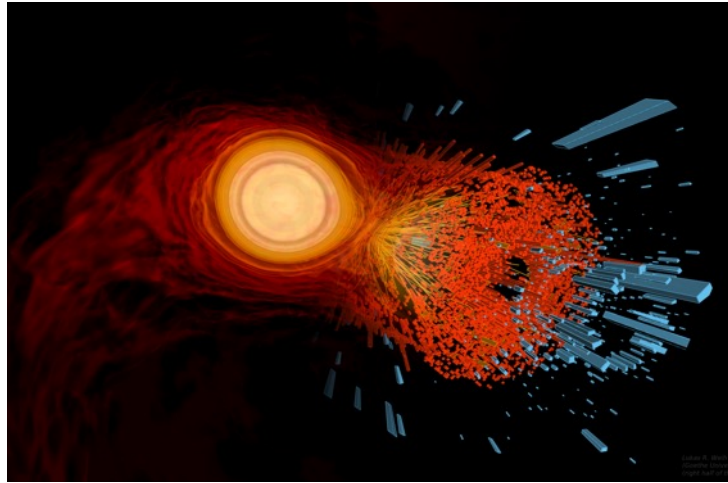


- LHC energies
 - excellent vertex resolution → topological separation of prompt and non-prompt source employing DCA cut
 - choice of the p_T cut

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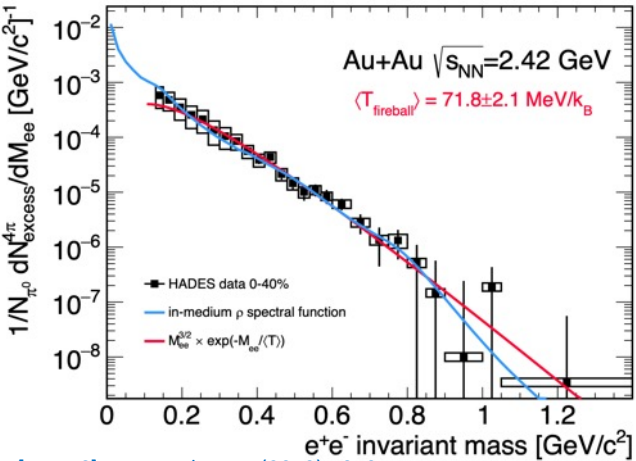
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HIC and BNSM

invariant mass



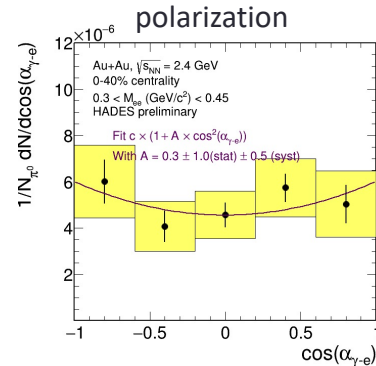
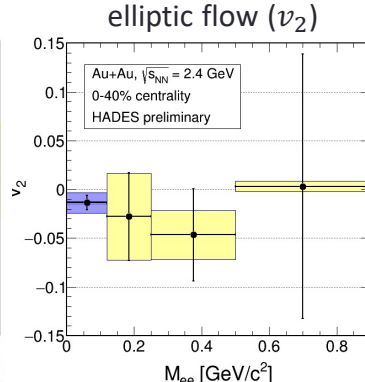
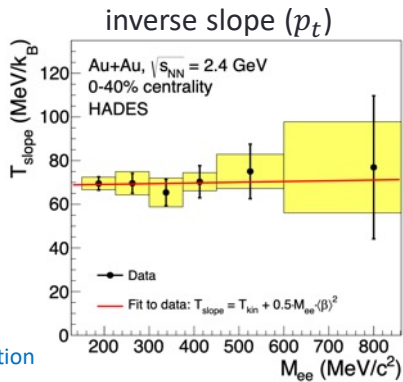
Extreme and shiny

What have we learnt from excess radiation Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.4$ GeV?

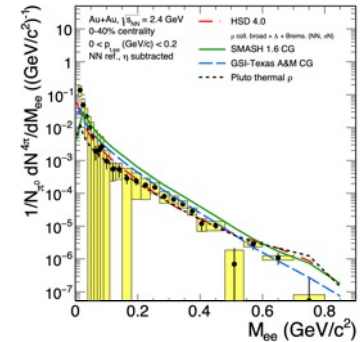
Radiation from a source

- long-lived ($\tau \approx 13 \text{ fm}$)
- in local thermal equilibrium
- $\langle T \rangle \approx 72 \text{ MeV}$
- $\rho = 2 - 3 \rho_0$

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electric conductivity?

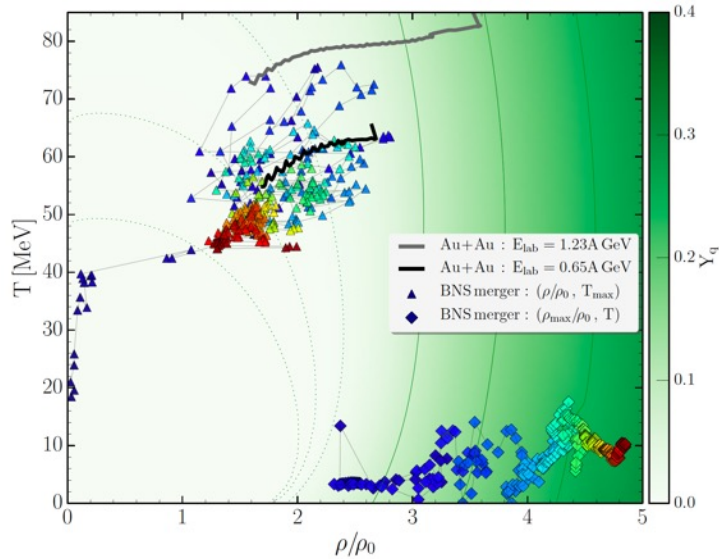


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The QCD phase structure at highest μ_B

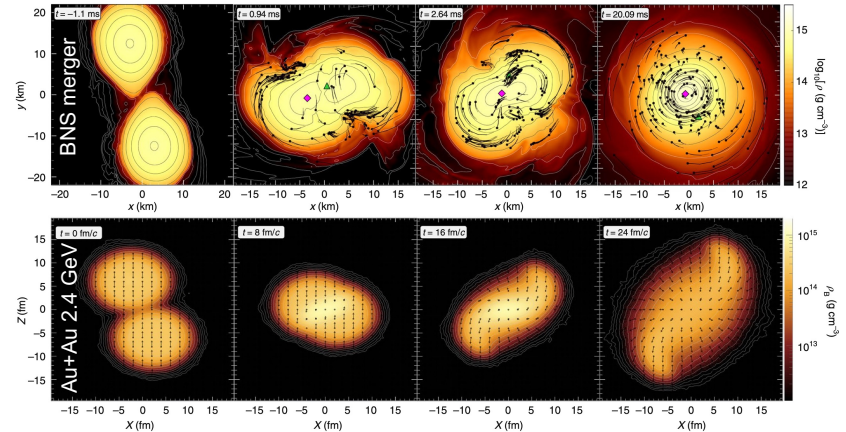
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Possible HIC trajectories and NS merger simulations within an effective hadronic model

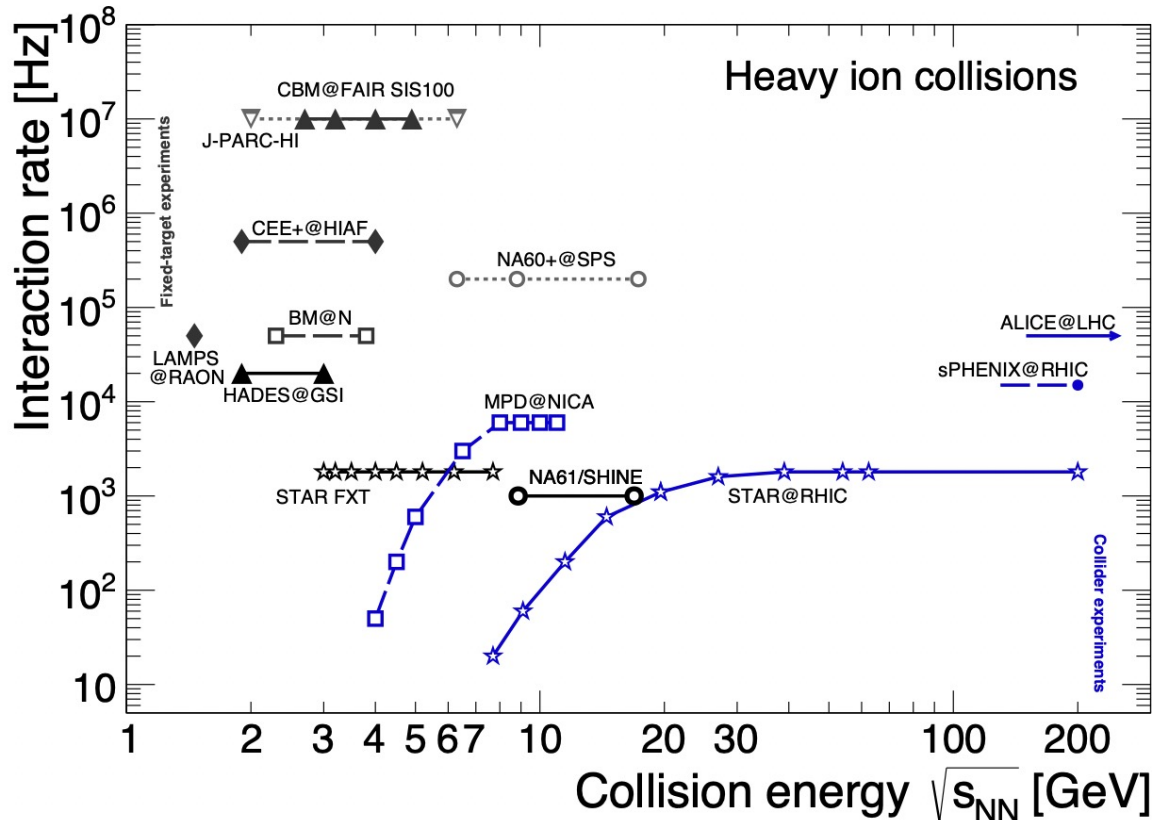
18 orders of magnitude in scales
still similar $T < 70$ MeV, $\rho < 3\rho_0$ for both



- Dileptons sensitive to dense phase
- Important input to constrain the EoS of dense matter

→ strong connections between the fields

The future is bright



- Future experiments aim at utmost precision measurements for rare probes (dileptons and photons)
- New theoretical developments are expected to provide chirally and thermodynamically consistent in-medium vector-meson spectral functions (e.g. FRG, lattice QCD)

Detectors are high-tech prototypes

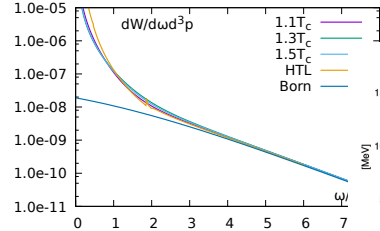


Success through perfect teamwork of experts in many fields

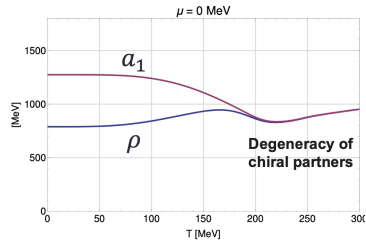
Résumé and take home message

- Unique possibility of characterizing properties of hot and dense QCD matter with dileptons
- Robust understanding of low-mass dilepton excess radiation through ρ -baryon coupling (at LHC, RHIC, SPS and SIS18 energies)
- Complementary program on exclusive measurements in π , p induced reactions with HADES
- Enable unique measurements:

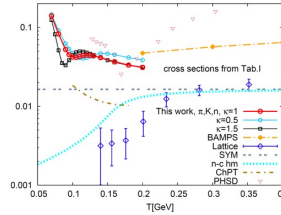
Degrees of freedom of the medium



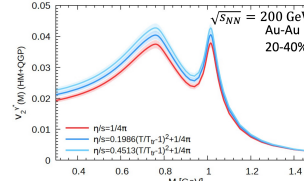
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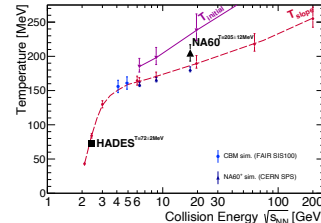
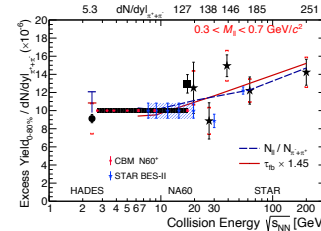
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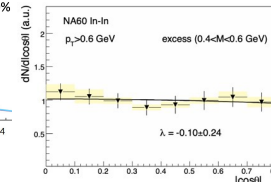
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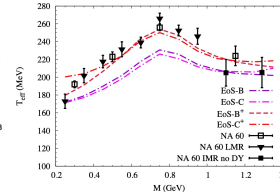
Fireball lifetime, temperature



Polarization



Acceleration



Thank you for your attention!

