

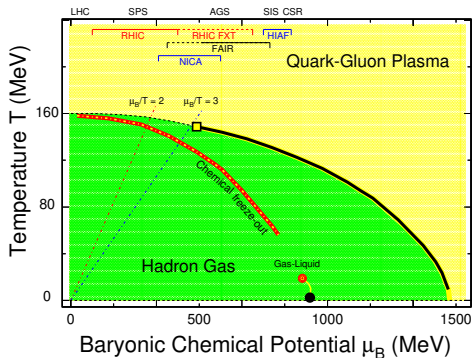
# Fluid dynamic and transport modelling of HIC at FAIR energies

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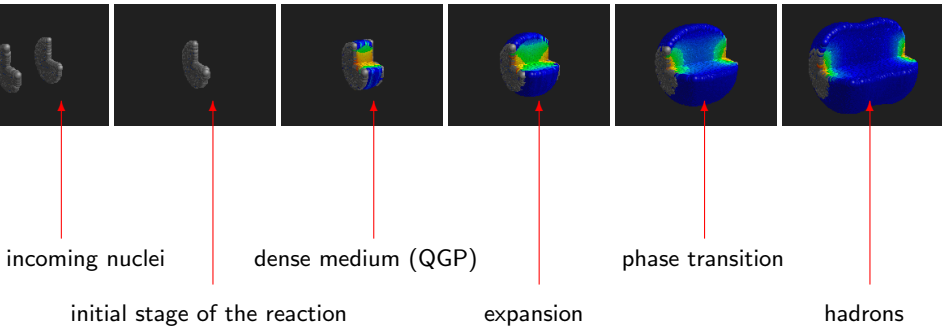
## A generic motivation slide



taken from: Bedangadas Mohanty, Nu Xu, arXiv:2101.09210

# Heavy ion collision in pictures

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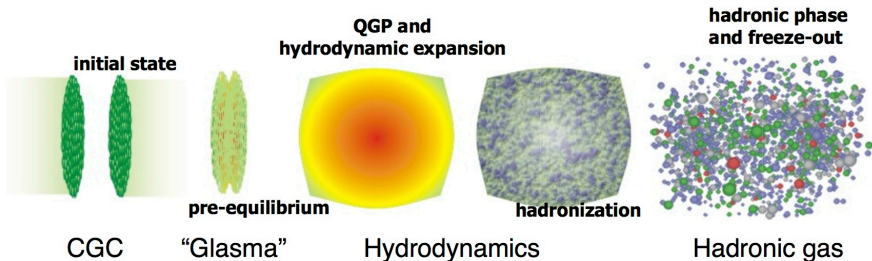


# Hybrid models

fluid dynamics + hadronic transport

Fluid dynamics  $\Leftarrow$  (arbitrary) equation of state  $\Leftarrow$  phase transition to QGP.

Most of the existing hybrids come from “high energies”: LHC or top RHIC:



- There is a relatively clear time separation between the **initial state** and the **fluid stage**
- Symmetries: longitudinal boost invariance, near-zero baryon density.

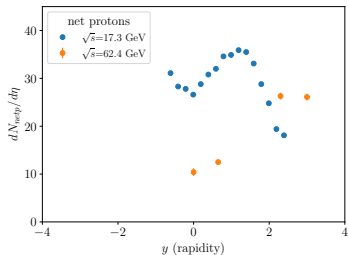
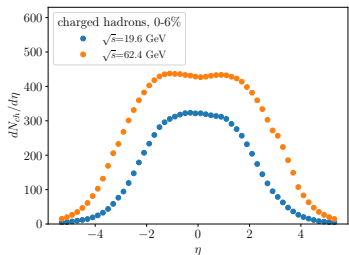
# Adapting hybrids to lower energies - RHIC BES

There is no boost invariance

- 3D initial state  
(just a different input)
- 3D hydro evolution  
(most of the codes are 3D)

Baryon and electric charge densities are significant

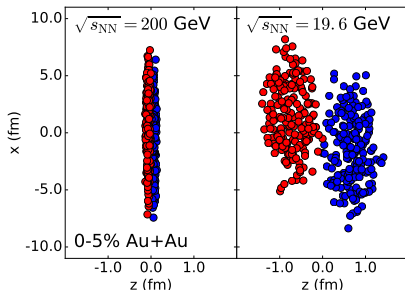
- EoS at finite  $n_B$  for hydro evolution  
(just a different input)



## Adapting for *even* lower energies - RHIC FXT, FAIR

The paradigm of “thin pancakes” gradually loses its applicability.

- **Nuclei pass through each other slowly**  
(the passage can last as long as subsequent fluid stage)
- There is no clear separation of the initial state and the fluid stage.
- Need to model the early-time dynamics differently!



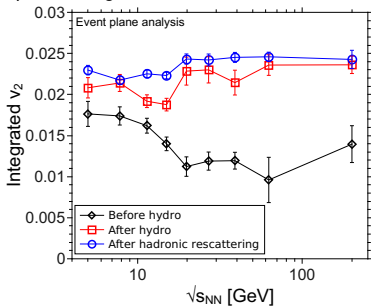
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A lot of evolution is happening before the nuclei have completely passed through each other.

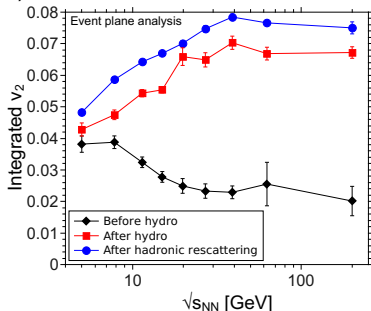
Simulation: UrQMD IS + ideal hydro + UrQMD afterburner

J. Auvinen, H. Petersen, Phys.Rev.C 88 (2013), 064908

a) Charged hadrons,  $b = 0 - 3.4$  fm



b) Charged hadrons,  $b = 8.2 - 9.4$  fm



Not only the initial state model is important, but the way of switching from initial state to fluid-dynamical picture.

# Taxonomy of existing hybrids for RHIC BES and FAIR energies

In terms of initial state

There is abundance of models for  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7 \dots 62$  GeV!

There are different strategies to initialise the fluid stage:

- Parametrise the initial state from the fit to experimental data.
- Run transport, wait until all primary scatterings are over, and melt their products  
⇒ miss the sensitivity to the early, dense stage of evolution (**sandwich approach**)
- Run transport and fluid dynamics in a tandem and fluidise dense regions of fireball dynamically (**dynamical fluidisation**)
- Assume everything is fluid from the beginning (**multi-fluid dynamics**)

All the models feature 3D initial state, 3D hydro and EoS at finite  $n_B$ .

- Final conditions: particlization at fixed energy density + hadronic cascade (except for multi-fluid models)

**Existing hybrids do not contain criticality, and models with criticality aren't hybrids.**



# Hybrids and their initial states

## Type 1: Parametrized initial state

Chun Shen, Sahr Alzhrani, [Phys.Rev.C 102 \(2020\) 1, 014909](#)

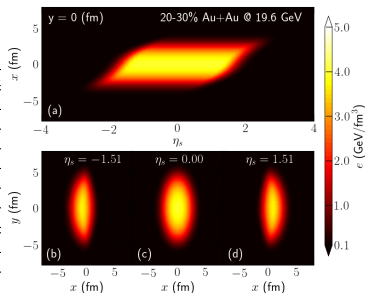
superMC (initial state) + MUSIC (hydro) + iSS (hadron sampling) + UrQMD

$$e(x, y, \eta_s; y_{\text{CM}}) = \mathcal{N}_e(x, y) \times \exp \left[ -\frac{(|\eta_s - y_{\text{CM}}| - \eta_0)^2}{2\sigma_\eta^2} \theta(|\eta_s - y_{\text{CM}}| - \eta_0) \right].$$

$$\mathcal{N}_e(x, y) = \frac{M(x, y)}{2 \sinh(\eta_0) + \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sigma_\eta e^{\sigma_\eta^2/2} C_\eta} C_\eta = e^{\eta_0} \operatorname{erfc} \left( -\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \sigma_\eta \right) + e^{-\eta_0} \operatorname{erfc} \left( \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \sigma_\eta \right).$$

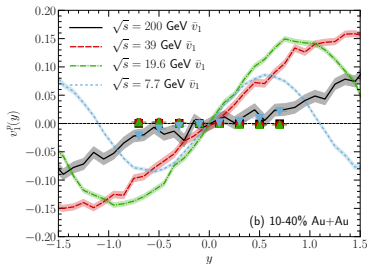
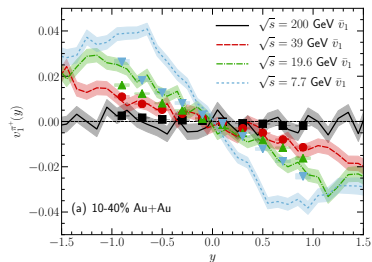
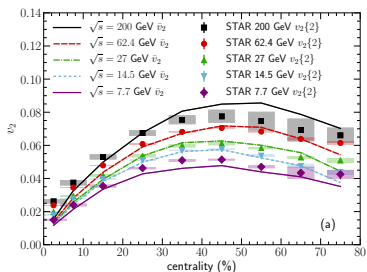
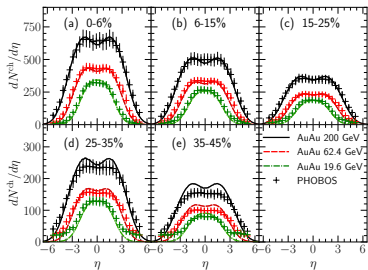
+scaling initial flow,  $v_z = z/t$

$\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}}$ (GeV)	$\tau_0$ (fm/c)	$\eta_0$	$\sigma_\eta$	$\eta_{B,0}$	$\sigma_{B,\text{in}}$	$\sigma_{B,\text{out}}$
AuAu & dAu @ 200	1.0	2.5	0.6	3.5	2.0	0.1
AuAu & dAu @ 62.4	1.0	2.25	0.3	2.7	1.9	0.2
AuAu & dAu @ 39	1.3	1.9	0.3	2.2	1.6	0.2
AuAu@27	1.4	1.6	0.3	1.8	1.5	0.2
AuAu & dAu @ 19.6	1.8	1.3	0.3	1.5	1.2	0.2
AuAu@14.5	2.2	1.15	0.3	1.4	1.15	0.2
AuAu@7.7	3.6	0.9	0.2	1.05	1.0	0.1
PbPb@17.3	1.8	1.25	0.3	1.6	1.2	0.2
PbPb@8.77	3.5	0.95	0.2	1.2	1.0	0.1



EoS: NEOS-BQS, [1902.05095](#).

Carve the initial state to fit the data.



## Type 2: Transport model for initial state (sandwich approach)

UrQMD (initial state) + fluidisation at fixed  $\tau_0$  + vHLLC (hydro) + UrQMD  
IK, Huovinen, Petersen, Bleicher, [Phys.Rev. C91 \(2015\) no.6, 064901](#)

- Initial state from  $t = 0$  till  $\tau = \tau_0$ : UrQMD
- At  $\tau = \tau_0$ :  
Gaussian smearing of energy, momentum and charges at fluidization:

$$\Delta P_{ijk}^\alpha = P^\alpha \cdot C \cdot \exp\left(-(\Delta x_i^2 + \Delta y_j^2)/R_\perp^2 - \Delta \eta_k^2 \gamma_\eta^2 \tau_0^2 / R_\eta^2\right)$$

$$\Delta N_{ijk}^0 = N^0 \cdot C \cdot \exp\left(-(\Delta x_i^2 + \Delta y_j^2)/R_\perp^2 - \Delta \eta_k^2 \gamma_\eta^2 \tau_0^2 / R_\eta^2\right)$$

from each hadron that crosses the  $\tau = \tau_0$  surface

- Assume that the resulting energy and momentum corresponds to a flowing fluid:

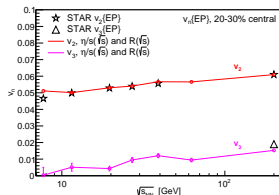
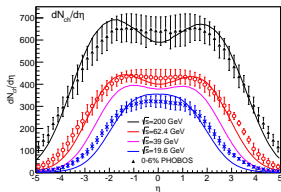
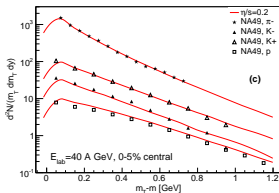
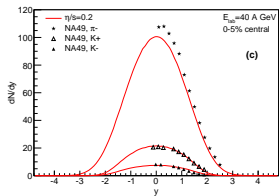
$$E/\Delta V = (\varepsilon + p)(u^0)^2 - p, \quad P^i/\Delta V = (\varepsilon + p)u^0 u^i$$

- Run fluid dynamics.
- ...
- compute the observables

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 IK, Huovinen, Petersen, Bleicher, [Phys.Rev. C91 \(2015\) no.6, 064901](#)

Fix parameters of fluidisation procedure ( $R_{\perp}$ ,  $R_{\eta}$ ) and shear viscosity  $\eta/s$  to fit the data.



- $\Rightarrow$  decent agreement with a mix of RHIC BES + NA49 + PHOBOS data

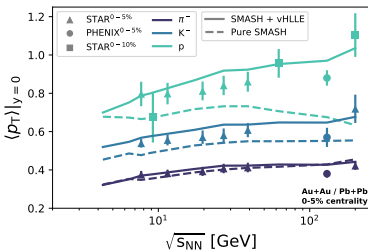
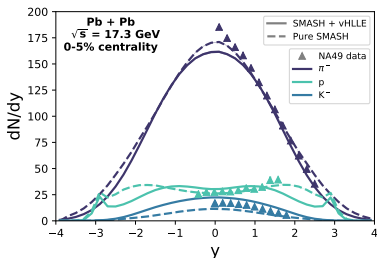
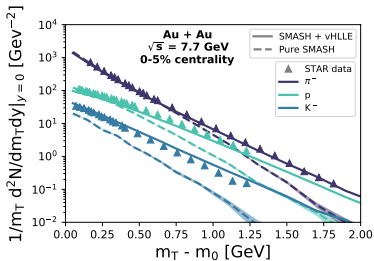
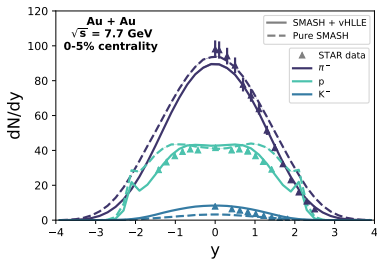
EoS: chiral model EoS.

## Type 2: Transport model for initial state

SMASH (initial state) + fluidisation at fixed  $\tau_0$  + vHLLC (hydro) + SMASH

A. Schäfer, IK, Xiang-Yu Wu, J. Hammelmann, H. Elfner, *Eur.Phys.J.A* 58 (2022) 11, 230

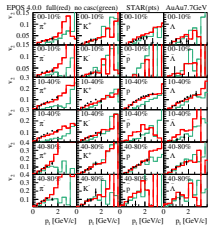
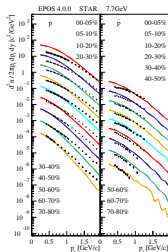
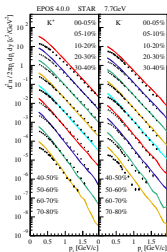
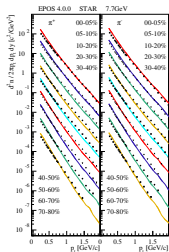
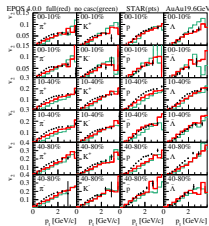
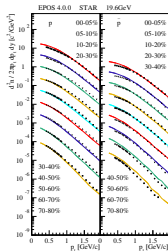
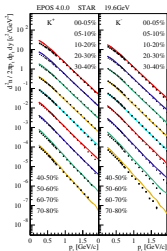
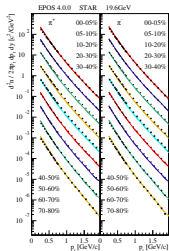
Same set of free parameters.



# EPOS 4.0.0

Werner, Jahan, IK, Pierog, Stefaniak, Vintache, [2401.11275](#)

EPOS IS + fluidisation at  $\tau_0$  + vHLE + UrQMD. **core-corona included.** BEST EoS



## Type 3: Dynamical fluidisation (strings)

Chun Shen, Bjoern Schenke, [Phys. Rev. C 97, 024907 \(2018\)](#)

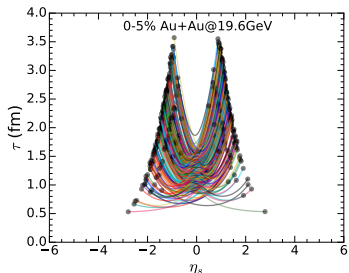
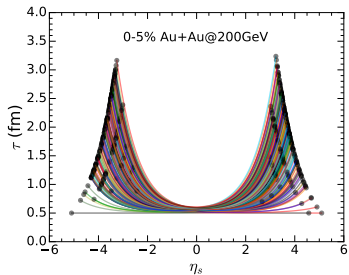
Decelerated strings melt into fluid, at different proper times.

EoS: unclear.

- 1 string per colliding nucleon pair
- The string ends decelerate according to:

$$\frac{dE}{dz} = -\sigma, \quad \frac{dP_z}{dz} = -\sigma$$

- Once string ends come to a halt, its evolution stops.
- The products fluidize.
- Fluid dynamics starts from the beginning of the reaction, with energy-momentum being fed in gradually.



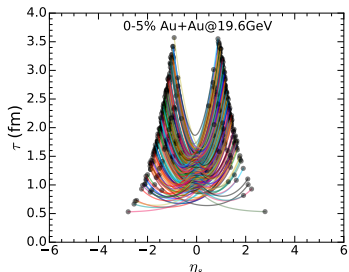
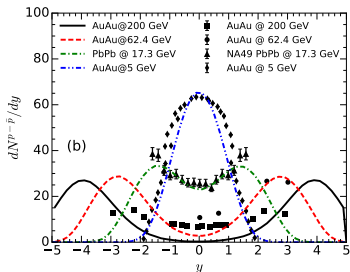
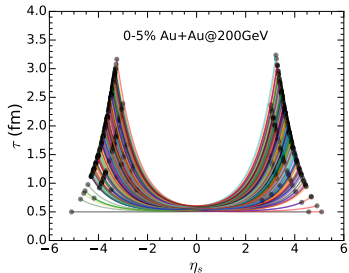
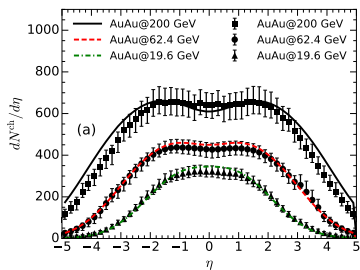


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## Type 3: Dynamical fluidisation (JAM)

JAM + dynamical fluidisation + hydro + JAM

Y. Akamatsu, M. Asakawa, T. Hirano, M. Kitazawa, K. Morita, K. Murase, Y. Nara, C. Nonaka, A. Ohnishi, [Phys. Rev. C 98, 024909 \(2018\)](#)

JAM IS: HIJING string excitation + PYTHIA6 fragmentation + rescatterings of produced hadrons.

Hadrons are converted to fluid if the local energy density  $e > e_f = 0.5 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$ .

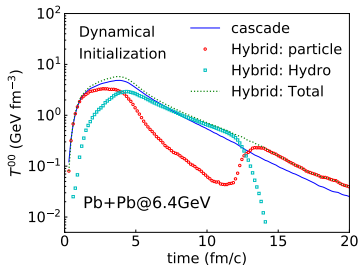
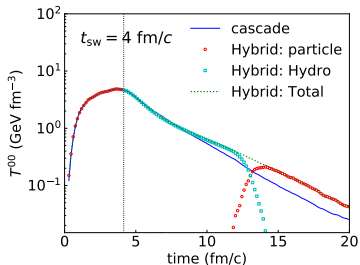
$$\partial_\mu T_f^{\mu\nu} = J^\nu, \quad \partial_\mu N_f^\mu = \rho$$

$$J^\mu(r) = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \sum_i p_i^\mu G(r - r_i(t))$$

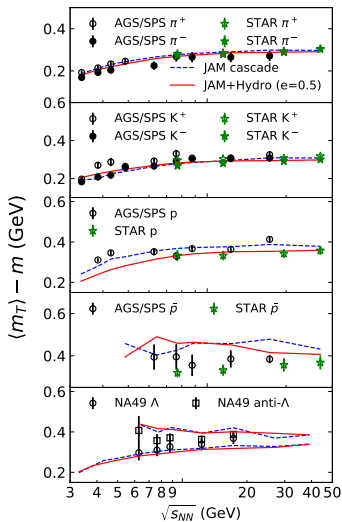
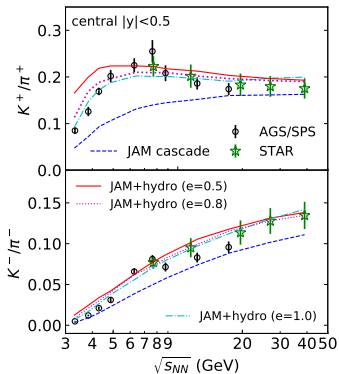
$$\rho(r) = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \sum_i B_i G(r - r_i(t))$$

$G(r)$  is a Gaussian smearing profile.

EoS: EoS Q, a.k.a. BM+HRG EoS



# JAM + dynamical fluidisation + hydro + JAM

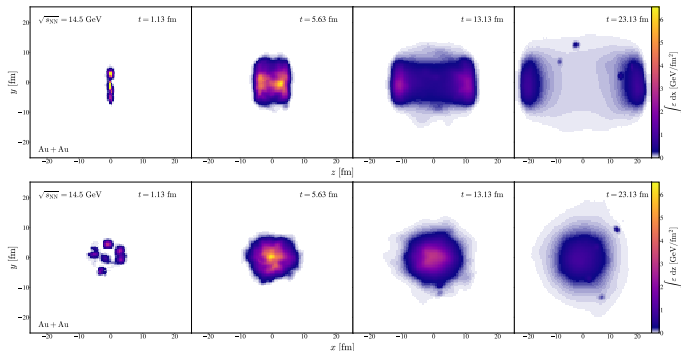
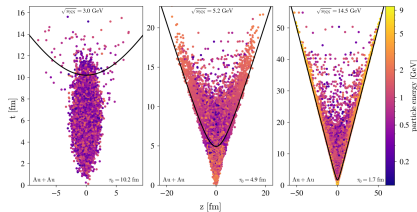


## Type 3: Dynamical fluidisation (SMASH cascade)

SMASH + dynamical fluidisation + hydro + SMASH

WIP: Renan Hirayama, Zuzana Paulínyová, IK,  
Hannah Elfner

Same idea but with SMASH cascade.



# Does transport prove the fluid dynamics is applicable?

Not really.

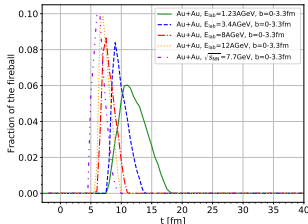
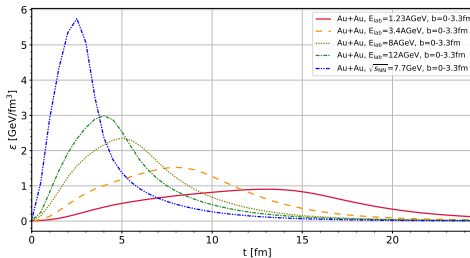
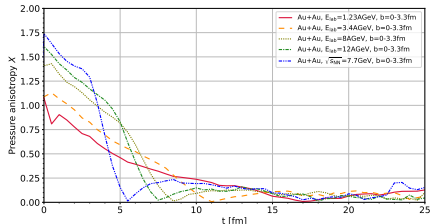
Gabriele Inghirami, Hannah Elfner, *Eur. Phys. J. C* 82, 796 (2022)

From  $E_{\text{lab}} = 1.23$  GeV up to  $\sqrt{s} = 7.7$  GeV

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \sum_i \frac{p_i^\mu p_i^\nu}{p_i^0} K(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{p}_i)$$

$$X \equiv \frac{|\langle T_L^{11} \rangle - \langle T_L^{22} \rangle| + |\langle T_L^{22} \rangle - \langle T_L^{33} \rangle| + |\langle T_L^{33} \rangle - \langle T_L^{11} \rangle|}{\langle T_L^{11} \rangle + \langle T_L^{22} \rangle + \langle T_L^{33} \rangle},$$

$$Y \equiv \frac{3(|\langle T_L^{12} \rangle| + |\langle T_L^{23} \rangle| + |\langle T_L^{13} \rangle|)}{\langle T_L^{11} \rangle + \langle T_L^{22} \rangle + \langle T_L^{33} \rangle}$$

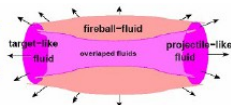


For most of the system, when simulated with transport,  $T^{\mu\nu}$  does not look like a fluid.

# Type 4: Everything is Fluid



## 3-Fluid Dynamics



Baryon Stopping

JINR, 24.08.10

Model

Rapidity Density

Fit

Reduced curvature

Trajectories

Crossover

Summary

Produced particles populate mid-rapidity  
 $\Rightarrow$  fireball fluid

**Target-like fluid:**

$$\partial_\mu J_t^\mu = 0$$

Leading particles carry bar. charge

$$\partial_\mu T_t^{\mu\nu} = -F_{tp}^\nu + F_{ft}^\nu$$

exchange/emission

**Projectile-like fluid:**

$$\partial_\mu J_p^\mu = 0,$$

$$\partial_\mu T_p^{\mu\nu} = -F_{pt}^\nu + F_{ip}^\nu$$

**Fireball fluid:**

$$J_f^\mu = 0,$$

Baryon-free fluid

$$\partial_\mu T_f^{\mu\nu} = F_{pt}^\nu + F_{ip}^\nu - F_{fp}^\nu - F_{ft}^\nu$$

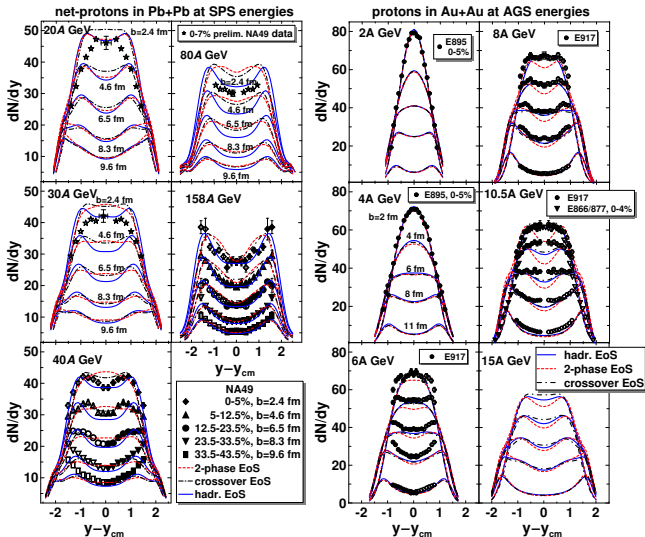
Source term      Exchange

The **source term** is delayed due to a formation time  $\tau \sim 1 \text{ fm}/c$

**Total energy-momentum conservation:**

$$\partial_\mu (T_p^{\mu\nu} + T_t^{\mu\nu} + T_f^{\mu\nu}) = 0$$

<http://theory.gsi.de/~ivanov/mfd/>



What also works:

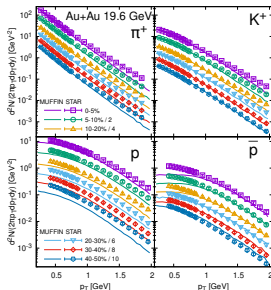
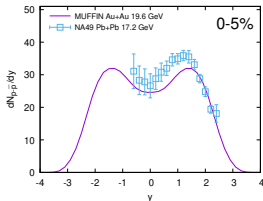
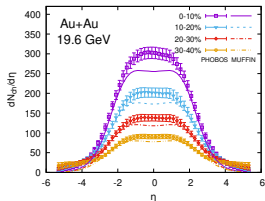
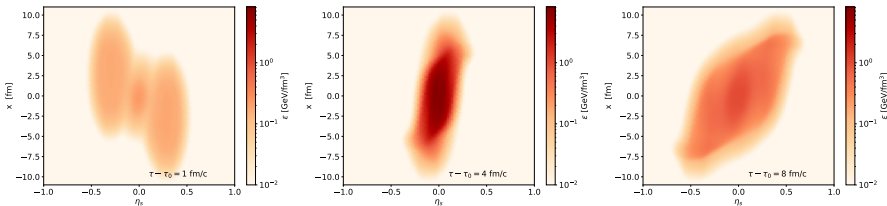
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Yu.B. Ivanov, *Phys. Rev. C* 87, 064905
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Yu.B. Ivanov, *Phys. Rev. C* 89, 024903 (2014)
- elliptic flow  
Ivanov, Soldatov, *Phys. Rev. C* 91, 024914 (2015)

Relatively low sensitivity to the PT type in the EoS; rather worse agreement for purely hadronic EoS.

# Type 4: Improved 3-fluid dynamics: MUFFIN

3-fluid version of  $\nu$ HLE + hadron sampling + SMASH

WIP but published version corresponds to Ivanov's friction: Cimerman, IK, Tomasik, Huovinen, [Phys.Rev.C 107 \(2023\) 4, 044902](#)



Acceptable data reproduction with chiral model EoS (crossover)

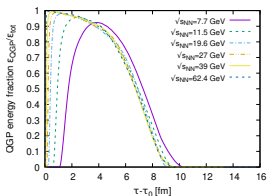


## Some conclusions from the modelling

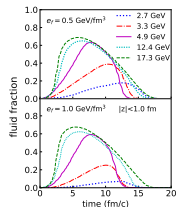
# 1. High densities are reached at low energies

- high-density medium is formed down to 7.7 GeV. According to EoS it has to be in the QGP phase.

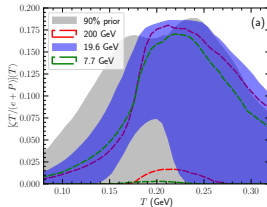
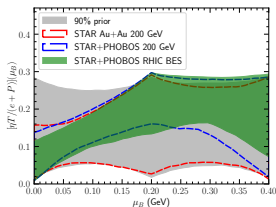
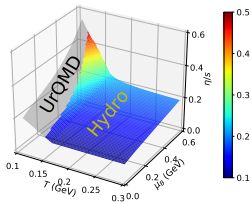
MUFFIN (MFH)



JAM+hydro

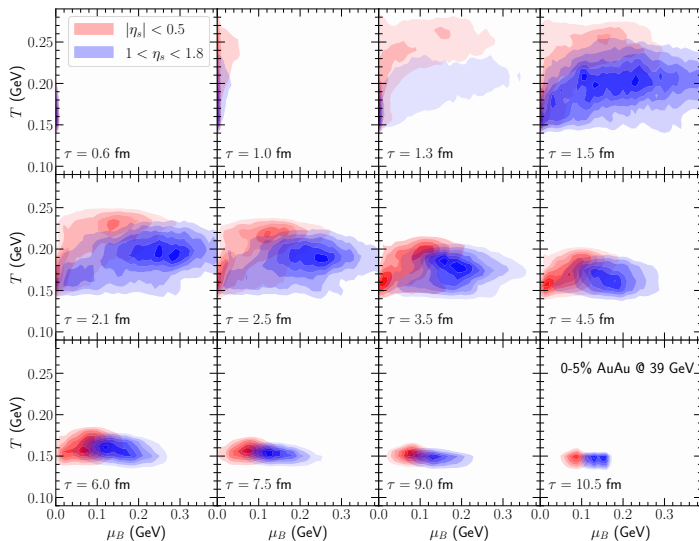


- $\eta/s$  decreases with  $T$  (Geom.IS [2003.05852](#); String deceleration [2310.10787](#)).



Some models (MFH-based) do without viscosity but overestimate  $v_2$ .

## 2. The system is very inhomogeneous

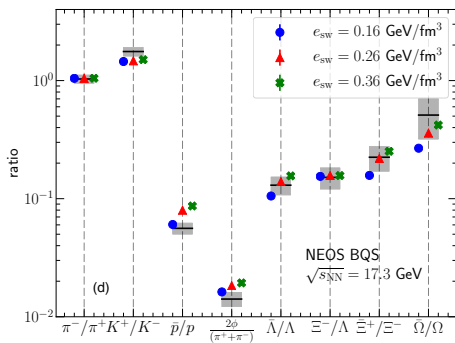
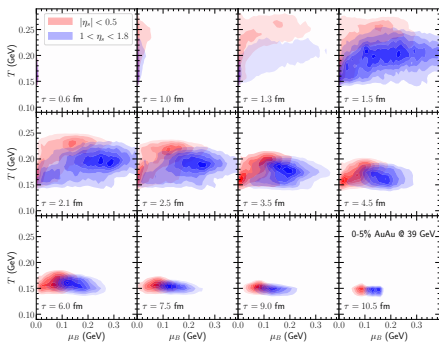


Simulation:

3D MC-Glauber +  
string deceleration +  
MUSIC

taken from: Chun Shen, [2108.04987](#), other models show a similar picture

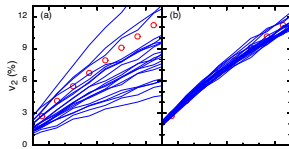
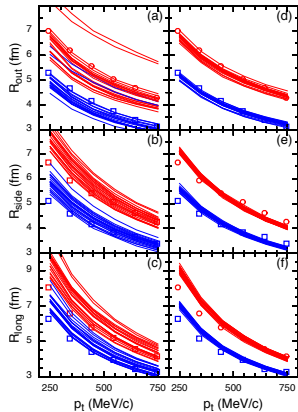
## 2. The system is very inhomogeneous (2)



- Hybrid models generally fit  $dN/dy$ ,  $dN/dp_T$  and  $v_2$  **together**

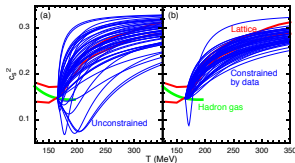
## Constraining the EoS of QGP matter - at high energies

S. Pratt, E. Sangaline, P. Sorensen, H. Wang, Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 202301 (2015)



$$c_s^2(\varepsilon) = c_s^2(\varepsilon_h) + \left( \frac{1}{3} - c_s^2(\varepsilon_h) \right) \frac{X_0 x + x^2}{X_0 x + x^2 + X^2} \quad (1)$$

$$X_0 = X' R c_s(\varepsilon) \sqrt{12}, \quad x \equiv \ln \varepsilon / \varepsilon_h,$$



A similar analysis should be possible at lower energies, e.g. hypothetically in the FAIR range.

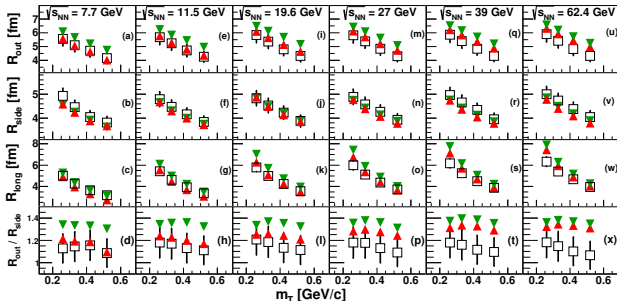
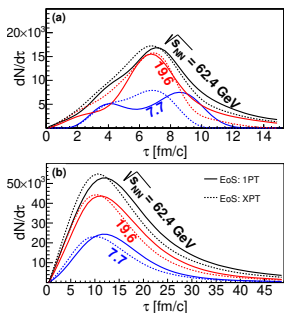
## EoS/PT sensitivity via HBT/femtoscopy

Initial idea: enhancement of  $R_{\text{out}}^2 - R_{\text{side}}^2$  would signal a passage through the mixed phase.

“Reality check”:

UrQMD (initial state) + fluidisation at fixed  $\tau_0$  + vHLLC (hydro) + UrQMD

Batyuk, IK, Lednicky, Malinina, Mikhaylov, Rogachevsky, Wielanek, [Phys. Rev. C 96, 024911 \(2017\)](#)



1PT = 1st order PT, XPT = crossover; crossover EoS is red, 1PT EoS is green

There is weak EoS sensitivity, crossover EoS is preferred.

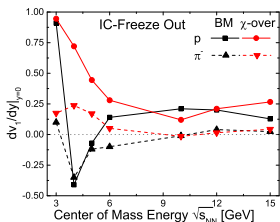
## EoS/PT sensitivity: directed flow?

Initial idea: non-monotonic behaviour of  $v_1$  would signal a passage through the mixed phase.

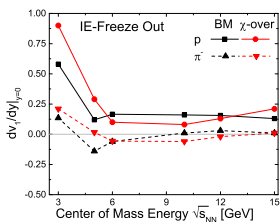
“Reality check”:

J. Steinheimer, J. Auvinen, H. Petersen, M. Bleicher, H. Stöcker, Phys. Rev. C 89 (2014) 054913, arXiv:1402.7236

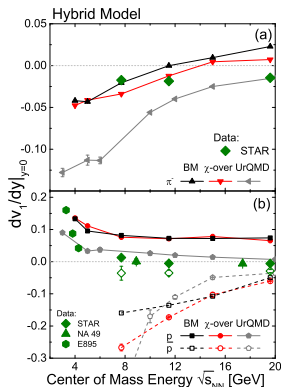
- 1-fluid model with iso-time freezeout:  
sign change of  $dv_1/dy$  with 1<sup>st</sup>-order PT EoS



- 1-fluid model with iso-T freezeout:  
NO sign change of  $dv_1/dy$  with 1<sup>st</sup>-order PT EoS



- Full hybrid model: no sign change of  $dv_1/dy$ , weak EoS dependence and no agreement with the data

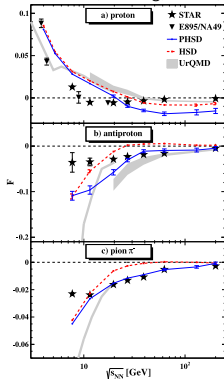




# Full-fledged models generally struggle to reproduce the $v_1$

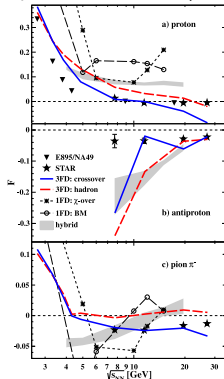
## PHSD/HSD/UrQMD:

Konchakovski, Cassing, Ivanov, Toneev,



## 3-fluid/1-fluid models:

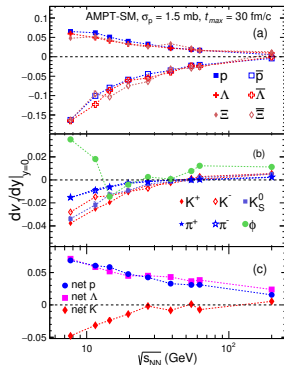
Phys. Rev. C 90, 014903 (2014)



## AMPT:

K. Nayak, S. Shi, Nu Xu, Zi-Wei Lin,

Phys. Rev. C 100, 054903 (2019)

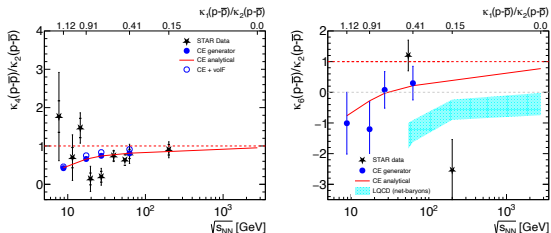
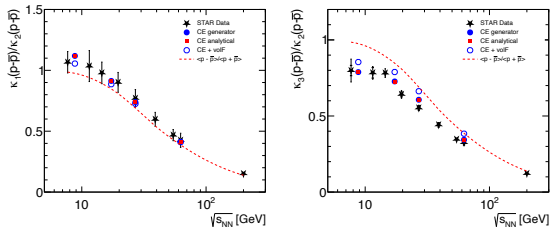


# Net proton cumulants

Non-critical baseline for proton cumulants is non-trivial

Braun-Munzinger, Friman, Redlich, Rustamov, Stachel, [Nucl. Phys. A 1008, 122141 \(2021\)](#)

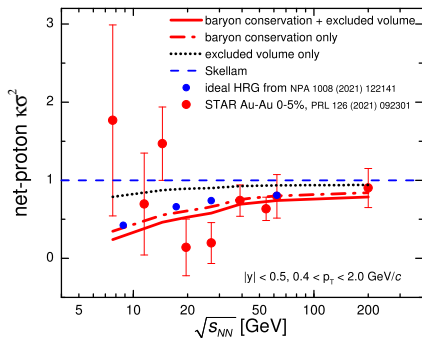
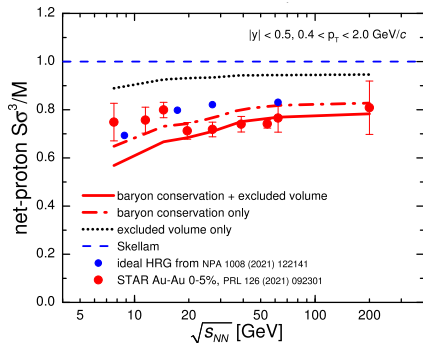
Effect of global baryon number conservation + volume fluctuations



# Non-critical baseline from 3D hydro

Vovchenko, Koch, Shen, *Phys. Rev. C* 105, 014904 (2022)

Parametrized initial state (Type 1) + MUSIC  
Global baryon conservation using SAM-2.0 method

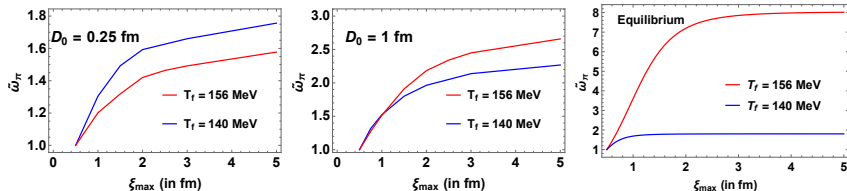


## Progress on critical fluctuations in hydro

Maneesha Pradeep, Jamie Karthein, Krishna Rajagopal, Misha Stephanov, Yi Yin,  
[Phys.Rev.D 106 \(2022\) 3, 036017](#)

Hydro+ : deterministic hydrodynamics + non-hydrodynamic modes  $\phi$   
No concrete result just yet.

$$\tilde{\omega}_\pi = \frac{\omega_\pi}{\omega_\pi^{\text{nc}}}, \text{ where } \omega_A = \frac{\langle \delta N_A^2 \rangle}{\langle N_A \rangle}$$



where  $D$  is a diffusion coefficient which inversely scales with the correlation length  $\xi$ .

## Conclusions

- There is abundance of hybrid models for the RHIC BES energy range, with different assumptions about initial state dynamics (or absence thereof).
- Most of the models describe most of the basic observables.  
A future Bayesian analysis would tell us whether some EoS are excluded by the coherent data reproduction
- EoS sensitivity is generally not strong; it is not clear yet what observables would be very sensitive to the type of PT in the EoS.
- Baryon/proton cumulants: we know a non-critical baseline.
- There are no hybrids with critical behaviour included yet.
- We need more modelling and **more consistent experimental data**.

### Equation of state

- Chiral model EoS
- BM + HRG EoS
- NEOS-B, NEOS-BQS
- BEST EoS

### Final conditions

- Particlization at fixed energy density + hadronic cascade (except for multi-fluid models)

# EoS in use (1)

All-crossover cases:

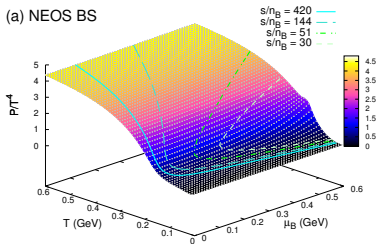
NEOS-B, NEOS-BQ, NEOS-BQS:

- lattice QCD at  $\mu_B = 0$
- Taylor expansion in  $\mu_i/T$  using susceptibilities
- free hadron-resonance gas at low  $T$
- crossover transition at all  $\mu_B$

Monnai, Schenke, Shen,

Phys. Rev. C 100, 024907 (2019)

(a) NEOS BS

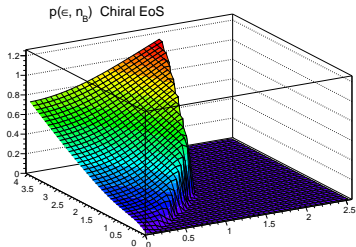


Chiral model EoS

- a single model for hadronic and quark phases
- hadronic SU(3) model
- extension to quark DOF in analogy to PNJL
- crossover transition at all densities

Steinheimer, Schramm, Stocker,

J. Phys. G 38 035001

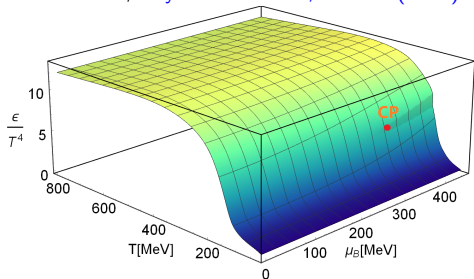


## EoS in use (2)

### BEST EoS

- lattice QCD at  $\mu_B = 0$
- Tylor expansion in  $\mu_i/T$  using susceptibilities
- critical contribution inspired by a 3D ising model

Parotto et al, [Phys. Rev. C 101, 034901 \(2020\)](#)



### Bag model + HRG EoS a.k.a. EoS Q

- Bag model for QGP phase
- HRG model with repulsion
- Maxwell construction  $\Rightarrow$  1st order PT.

P.F. Kolb, et al, [Phys.Rev. C 62, 054909 \(2000\)](#)

### $p(\epsilon, n_B)$ HRG+Bag Model EoS

