

原子核结构与相对论重离子碰撞前沿交叉研讨会, 大连, Aug. 1-5, 2023

强相互作用物质相图实验研究进展



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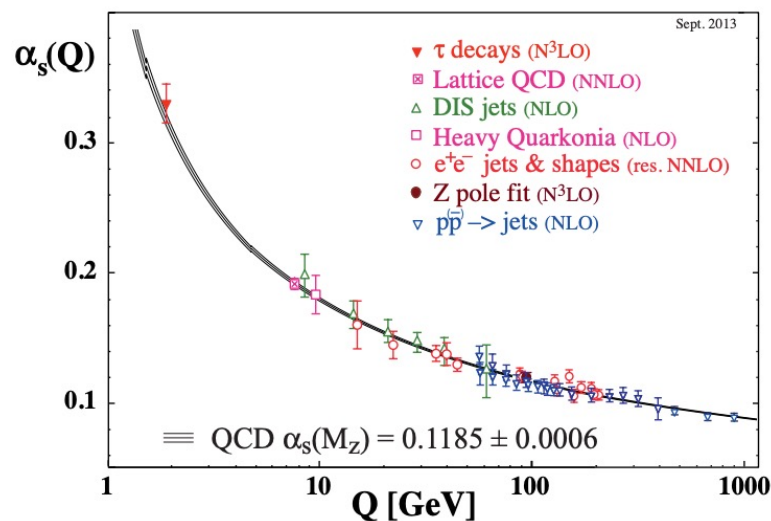
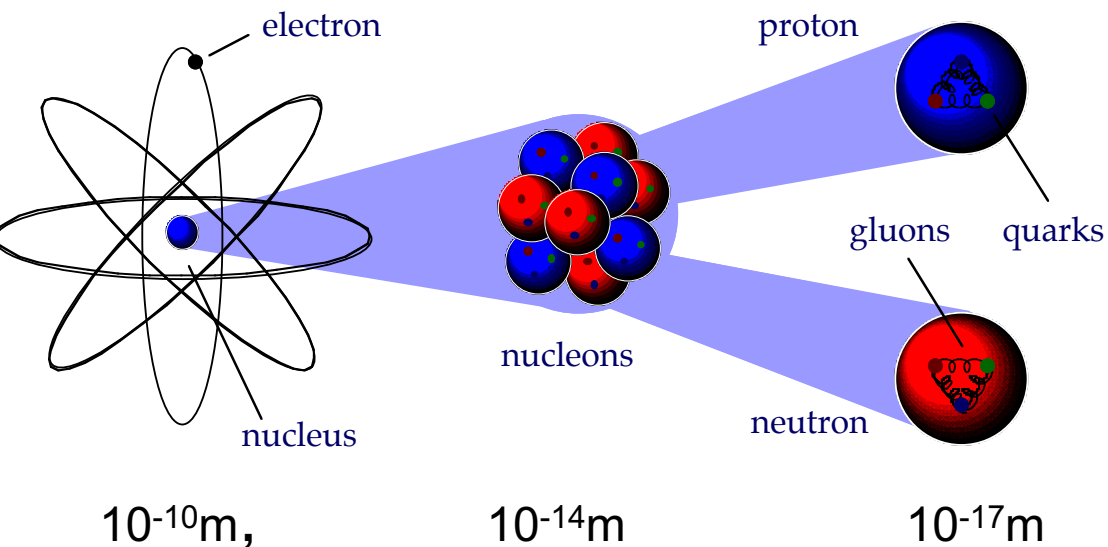
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强相互作用力与夸克禁闭

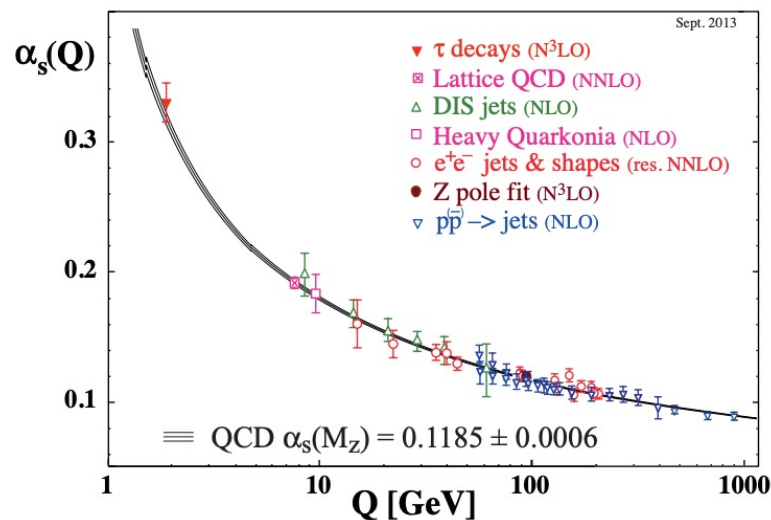
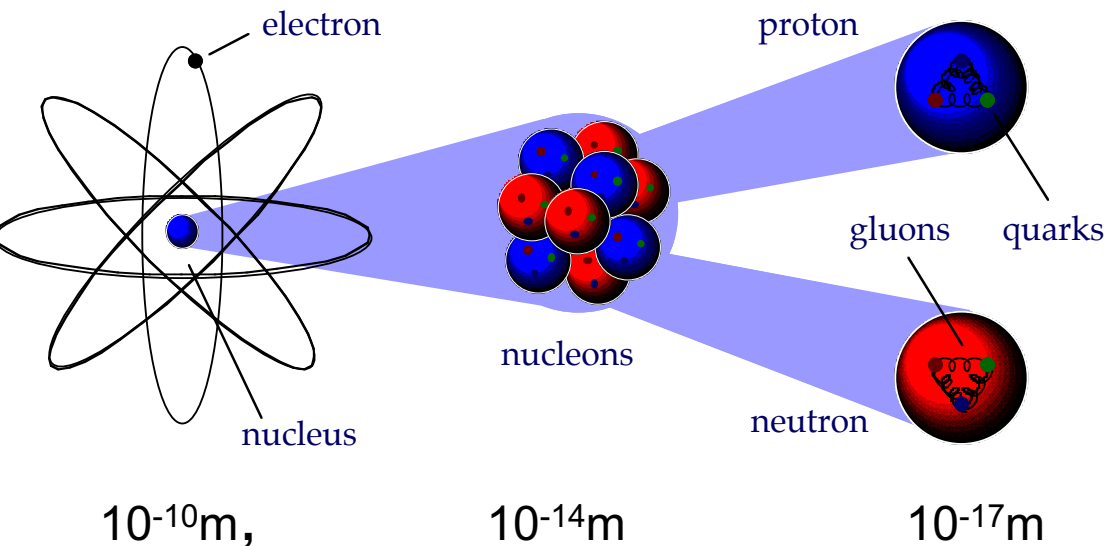


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能否使夸克从核子中解禁闭，形成一种由夸克、胶子自由度组成的新物态，**夸克胶子等离子体 (Quark-Gluon Plasma)**？



强相互作用力与夸克禁闭



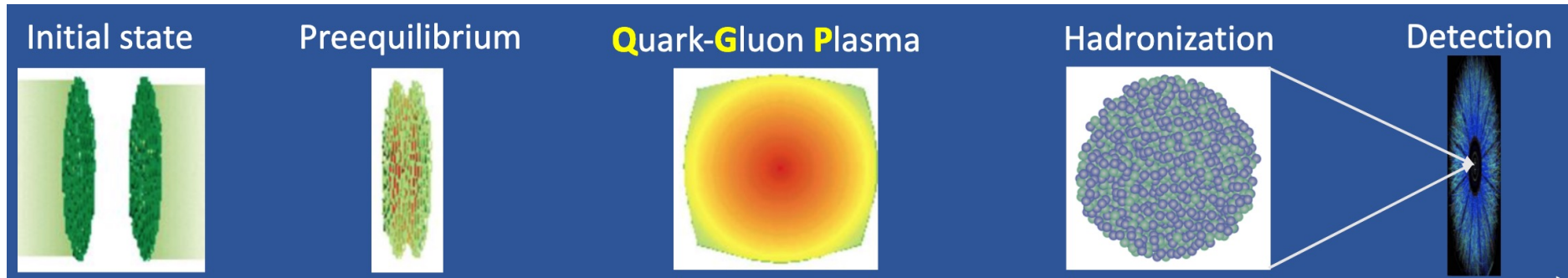
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研究夸克层次的凝聚态物理（QCD涌现性质）

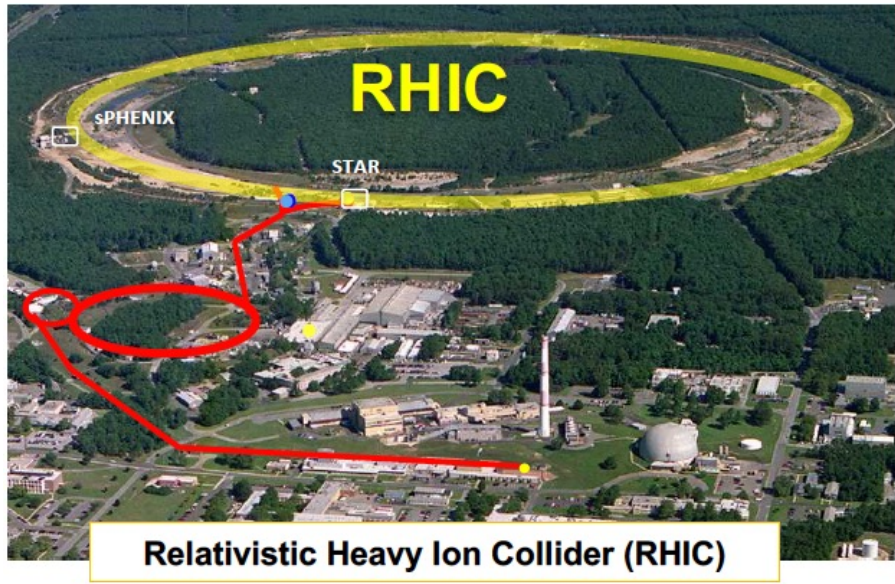
1) QGP性质, 2) QCD相结构



相对论重离子碰撞：加热到万亿度(10^{12} °C)



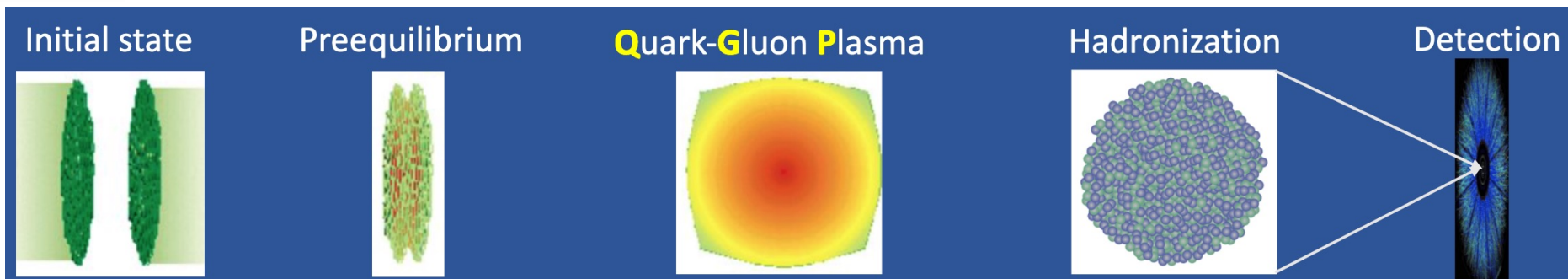
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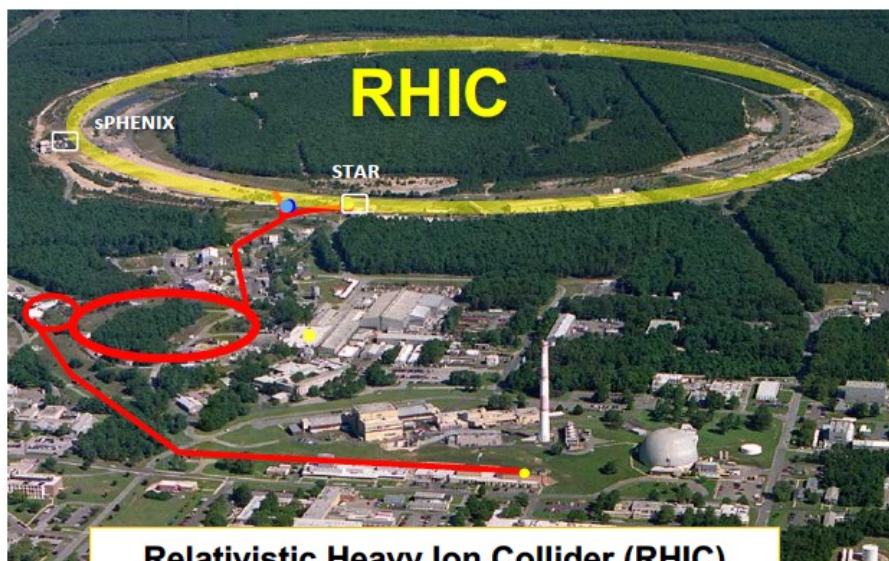
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RHIC top collision energies:

- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV U+U / Au+Au / Zr+Zr / Ru+Ru / O+O
- $\sqrt{s} = 510$ GeV p+p

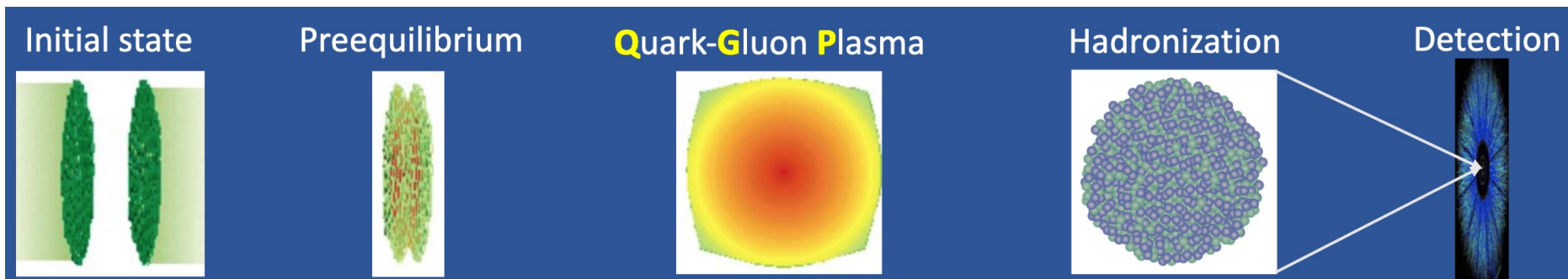
RHIC Beam Energy Scan (BES):

- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 - 7.7$ GeV (collider mode)
- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17.3 - 3$ GeV (fixed-target mode)

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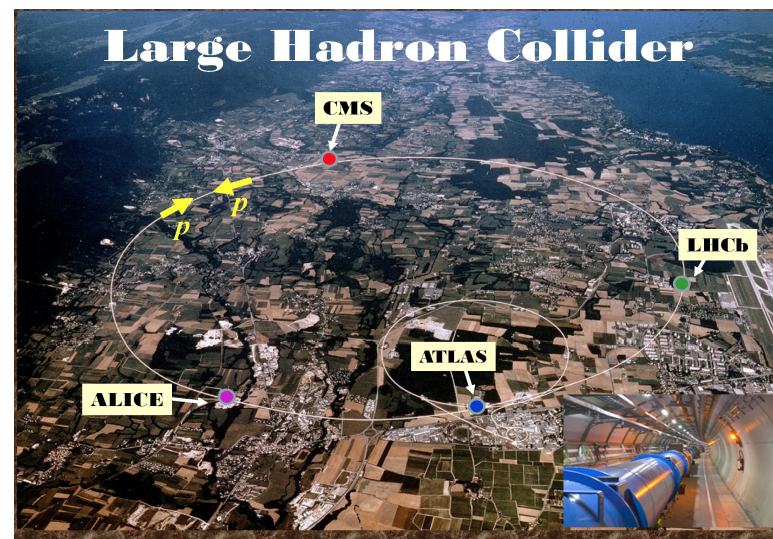
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LHC collision energies:

- $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 0.9, 2.76, 5.02, 5.44$ TeV
Xe+Xe, Pb+Pb
- $\sqrt{s} = 0.9 - 13$ TeV p+p
- $\mu_B \rightarrow 0$

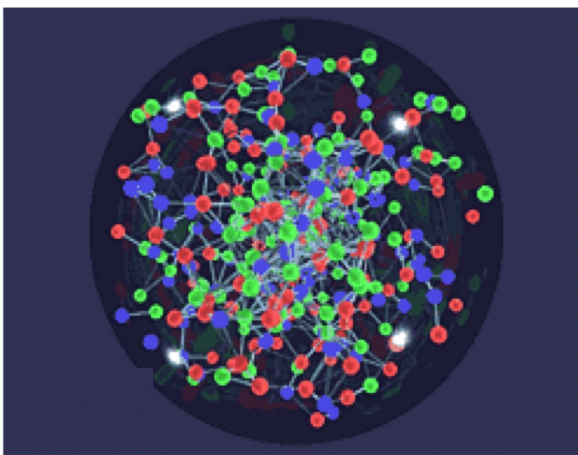


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QGP新物态和相变

QGP:强耦合理想流体



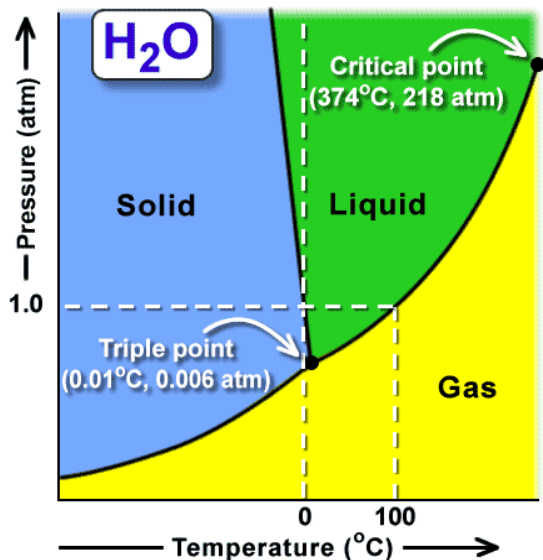
QGP的重要性质, 如:

- 强耦合低粘滞
- 强涡旋
- 强电磁场

RHIC White Paper (2005) :
nucl-ex/0501009
Hot QCD White Paper:
2303.17254
ALICE: 2211.04384 (review)

改变外部条件: 研究发生相变形成QGP的条件和信号。探索相结构: 一级相变边界、临界点?

水的相图



内因: 相互作用、系统对称性
外因: 外部条件的改变 (如温度、压强)

临界现象:

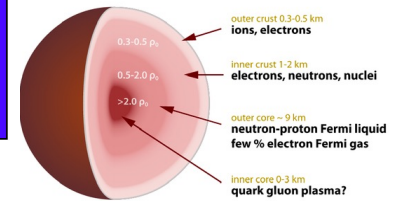
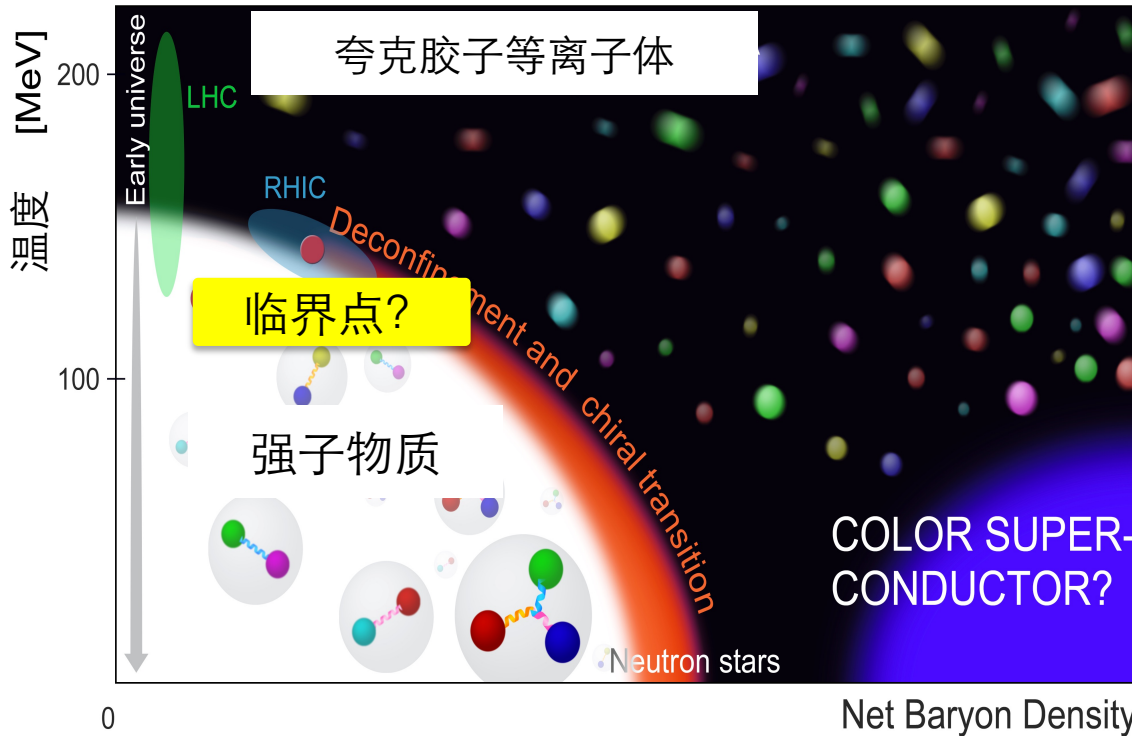
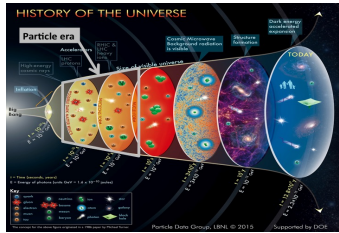
- 密度涨落增强与关联长度增大: 临界乳光现象
- 系统的对称性决定临界指数: 即热力学量的临界发散行为





强相互作用 (QCD) 物质相图

QCD相图结构被发现杂志评为：本世纪物理学11大未解决难题之一



Smooth Crossover at $\mu_B=0$.

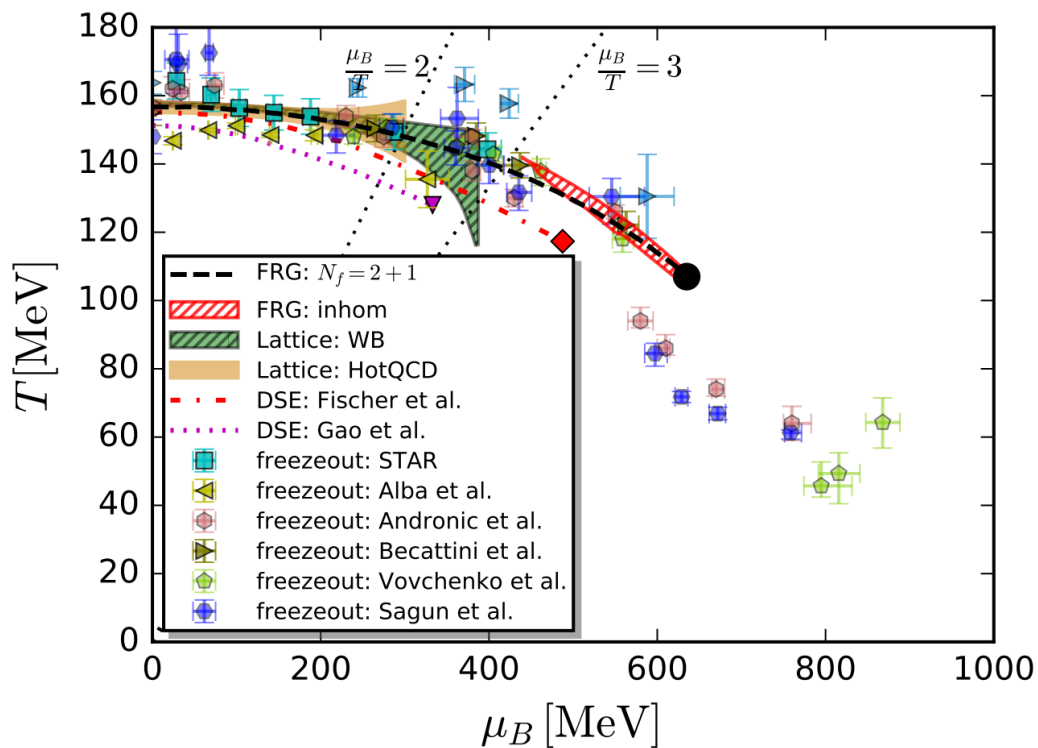
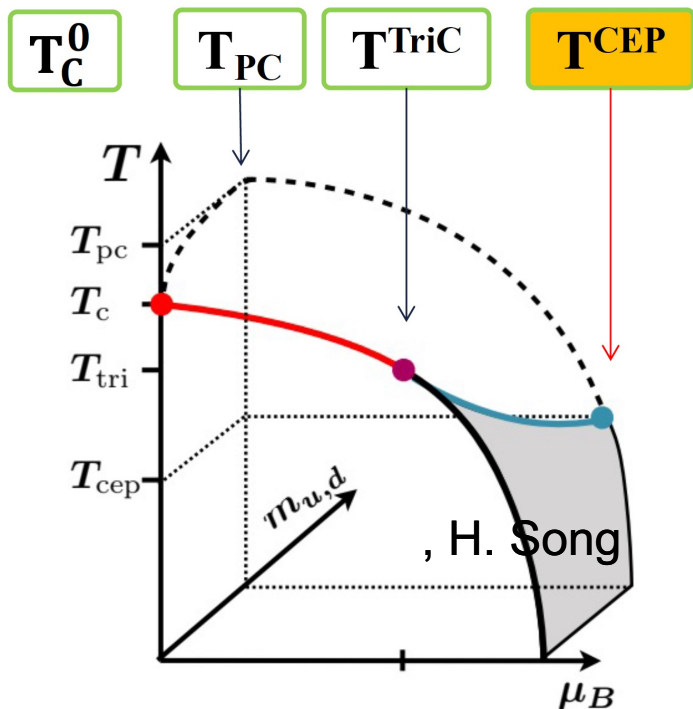
Transition Temperature : $T_c \sim 156$ MeV

Y. Aoki, et al. Nature 443, 675 (2006).

A. Bazavov et al.(HotQCD), Phys. Lett. B 795, 15 (2019)

关键科学问题：高重子密度区是否存在一级相变边界和QCD相变临界点

马余刚、许怒、刘峰，基于HIAF集群的QCD相结构研究，中国科学:物理学 力学 天文学,2020,50(11):124



Lattice QCD:

膺临界温度: $T_{PC} = 156.5 \pm 1.5$ MeV

手征相变温度: $T_C = 132(+3)(-6)$ MeV

临界点位置: $\mu_B/T_C > 3$

F. Karsch et al. (HotQCD),

Phys. Lett. B 795, 15(2019)

Phys. Rev. Lett. 123, 062002(2019)

FRG : $(T_{CEP}, \mu_{B_{CEP}}) = (107, 635)$ MeV.

付伟杰, Jan M. Pawłowski, F. Rennecke,
PRD 101, 054032 (2020)

[Citation: 191]

DSE : $(109, 610)$ MeV

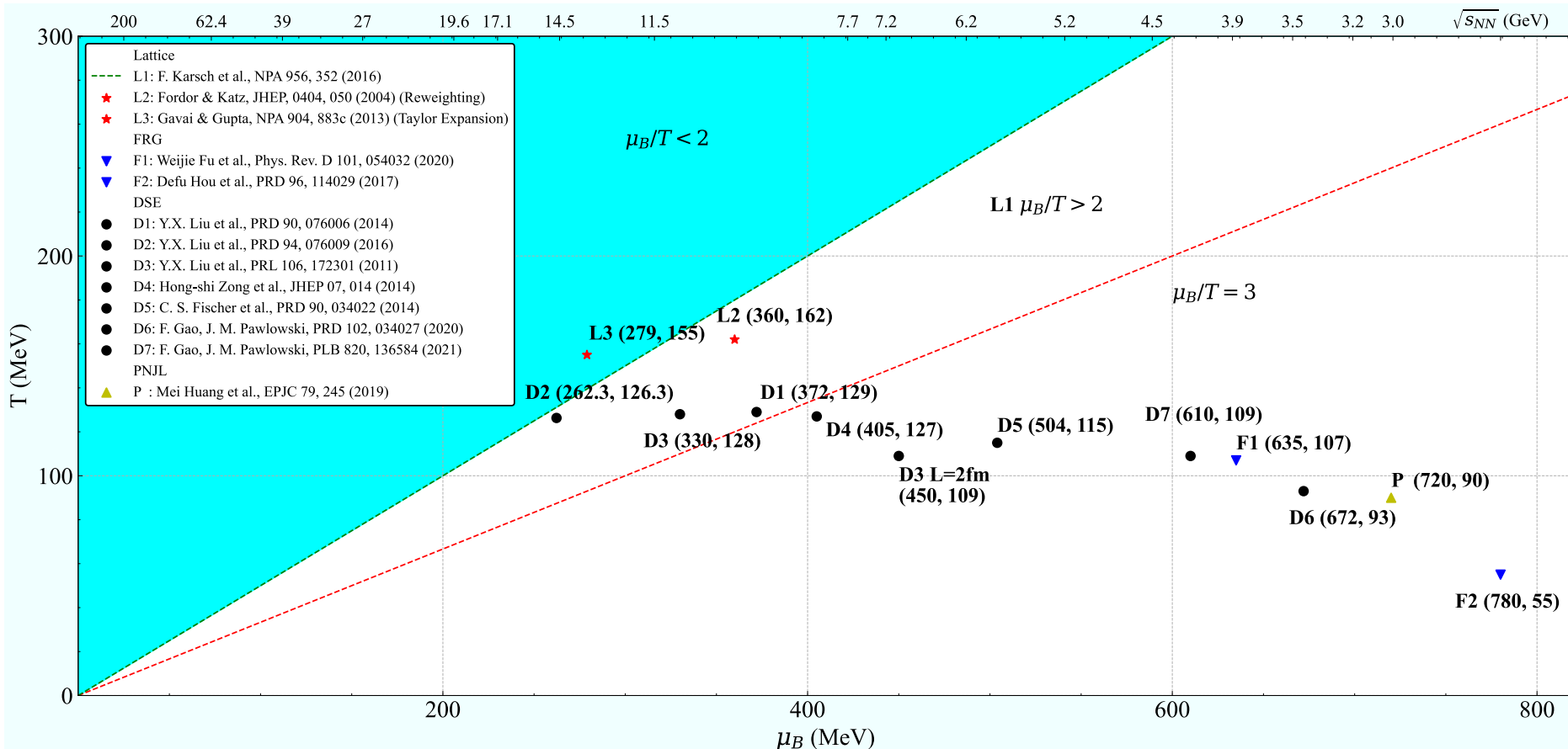
[Citation: 55]

高飞, Jan M. Pawłowski, PLB 820, 136584 (2021)



QCD临界点位置：理论模型计算

Preliminary collection from Lattice, DSE, FRG and PNJL (2004-2021)





关于探索QCD物质相图、寻找相变临界点的思考

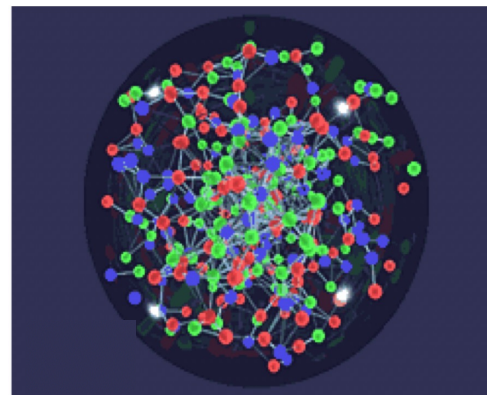
理想情况：

一个容器中放入静态普通核物质，对其加热到万亿摄氏度，并观测相变现象

现实情况：

能够达到相变条件的可控实验**只有相对论重离子碰撞**

1. 选择灵敏观测量
 2. 进行重离子碰撞能量扫描，对观测量进行测量
- > **观测到QCD临界点信号？**



用重离子碰撞去寻找临界点相变的一些**限制和注意事项：**

- 1) 需要确定碰撞过程中发生了QGP相变
- 2) 有限体积、时间和动力学非平衡演化效应
- 3) 末态强子散射等背景效应

理论家：怎么合理的引入状态方程并考虑以上效应，模拟真实重离子碰撞并将计算结果与实验结果进行比较？



Fluctuations of Conserved Quantities (B, Q, S)

守恒荷: 净重子 (B)、净电荷 (Q)、净奇异数 (S)

矩与累积矩(C): 方差(二阶, σ^2)、偏度(三阶, S)、峰度(四阶, κ)

Measured multiplicity N, $\langle \delta N \rangle = N - \langle N \rangle$

mean: $M = \langle N \rangle = C_1$

variance: $\sigma^2 = \langle (\delta N)^2 \rangle = C_2$

skewness: $S = \langle (\delta N)^3 \rangle / \sigma^3 = C_3 / C_2^{3/2}$

kurtosis: $\kappa = \langle (\delta N)^4 \rangle / \sigma^4 - 3 = C_4 / C_2^2$

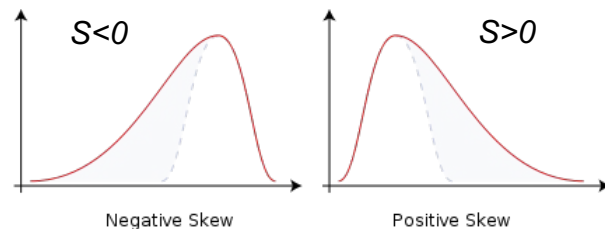
Moments, cumulants and susceptibilities:

2nd order: $\sigma^2 / M \equiv C_2 / C_1 = \chi_2 / \chi_1$

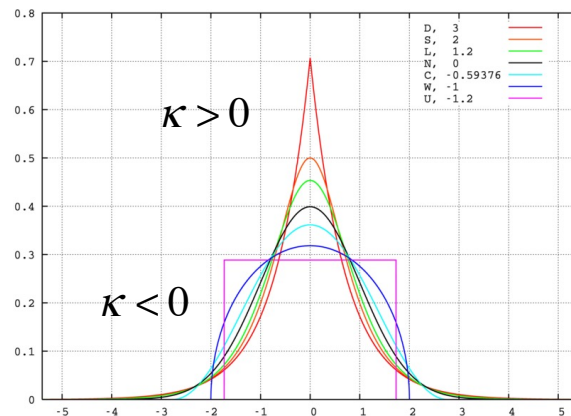
3rd order: $S \sigma \equiv C_3 / C_2 = \chi_3 / \chi_2$

4th order: $\kappa \sigma^2 \equiv C_4 / C_2 = \chi_4 / \chi_2$

Skewness (S) → asymmetry



Kurtosis (κ) → Sharpness



各阶累积矩(C_n/C_m)比值:

1. 对关联长度 (ξ) 敏感
2. 与系统感应率 (χ) 直接相关

$$\langle (\delta N)^3 \rangle_c \approx \xi^{4.5}, \quad \langle (\delta N)^4 \rangle_c \approx \xi^7$$

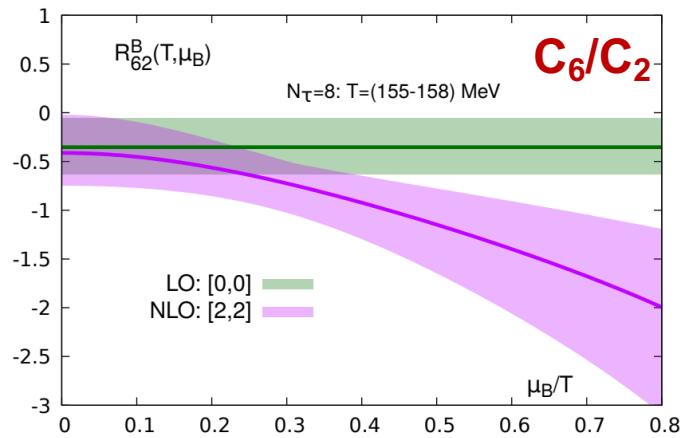
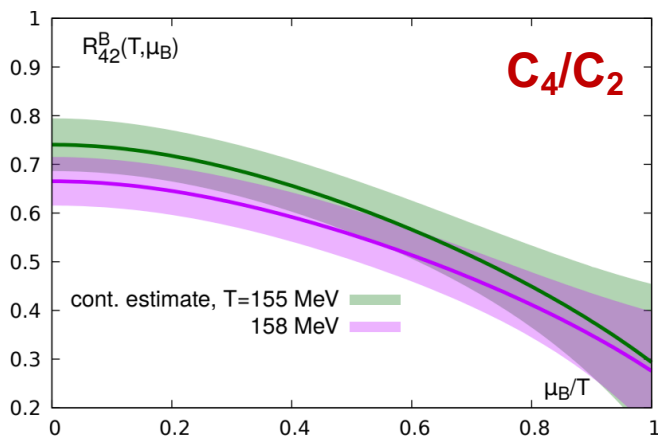
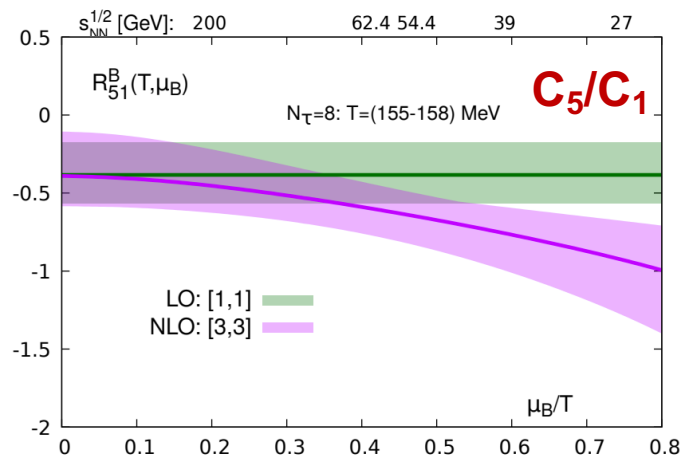
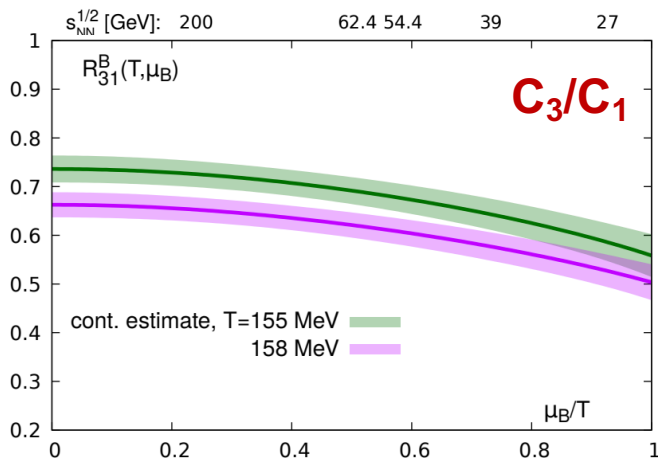
$$\chi_q^{(n)} = \frac{1}{VT^3} \times C_{n,q} = \frac{\partial^n (p/T^4)}{\partial (\mu_q)^n}, q = B, Q, S$$

Cheng et al, PRD (2009) 074505. F. Karsch and K. Redlich, PLB 695, 136 (2011). B. Friman et al., EPJC 71 (2011) 1694.

S. Gupta, X. Luo et al., Science, 332, 1525(2012). A. Bazavov et al., PRL 109, 192302(12) // S. Borsanyi et al., PRL 111, 062005(13)



格点QCD计算的重子数涨落



QCD相图平滑穿越区重子数涨落两个特征：1) 低阶到高阶显示出排序, 2) 五、六阶涨落出现负值

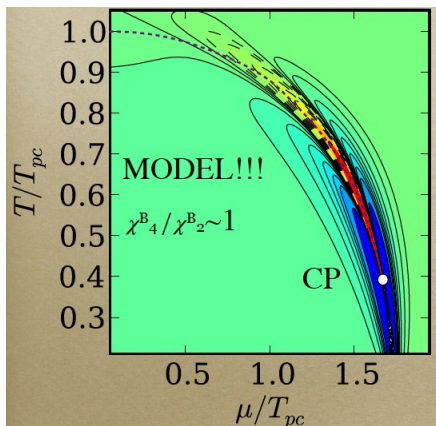
$$C_3/C_1 > C_4/C_2 > 0 > C_5/C_1 > C_6/C_2$$

A. Bazavov, et al. (HotQCD),
Phys. Rev. D 101, 074502 (2020);



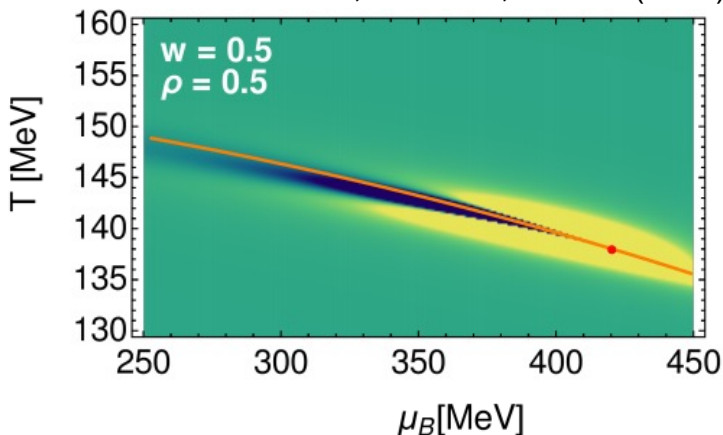
重子数的四阶涨落($\kappa\sigma^2$): 基于QCD的有效模型计算

PQM V. Skokov, QM2012



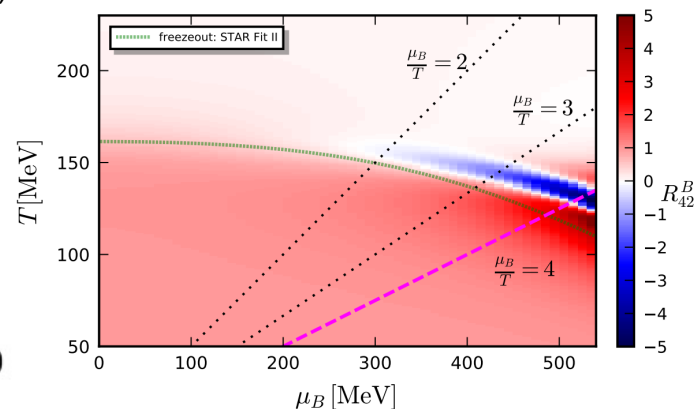
3D Ising Mapping

D. Mroczek et al, PRC 103, 034901 (2021)

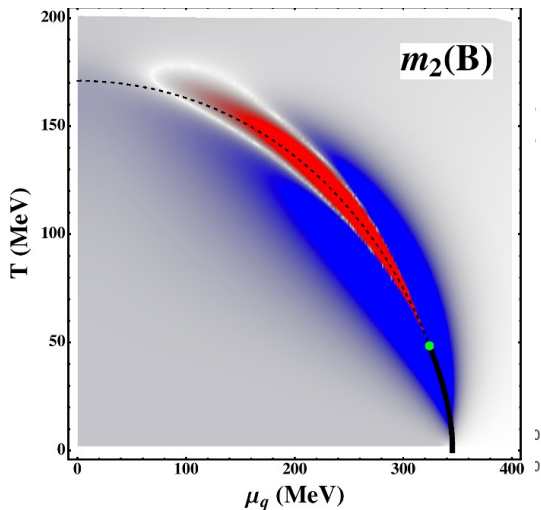


FRG

付伟杰等 PRD 104 (2021) 9, 094047

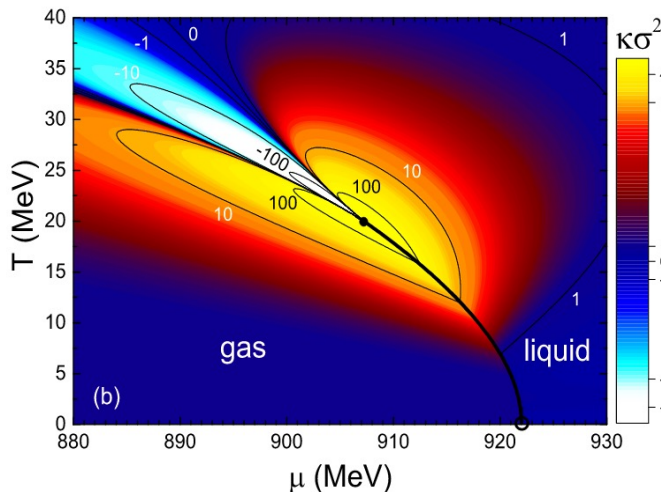


NJL



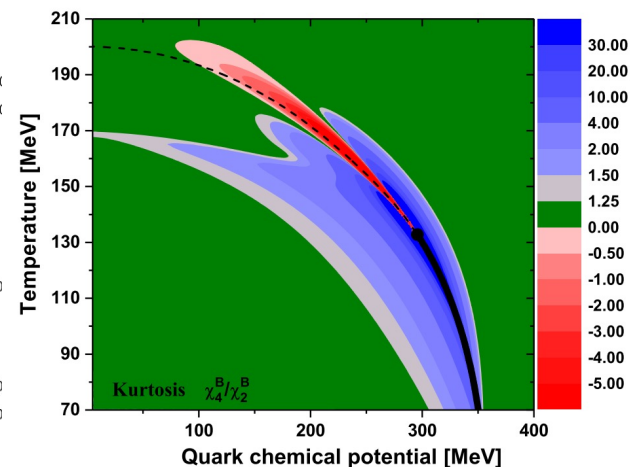
邓建等, PRD93, 034037 (2016)
范文凯等, CPC 43, 054109 (2019)

van der Waals (VDW)



Vovchenko et al., PRC92, 054901 (2015)

PNJL



邵国运等, EPJC 78, 138 (2018)
黄梅等, EPJC 79, 245 (2019).



QCD相变临界点信号：理论模型预言

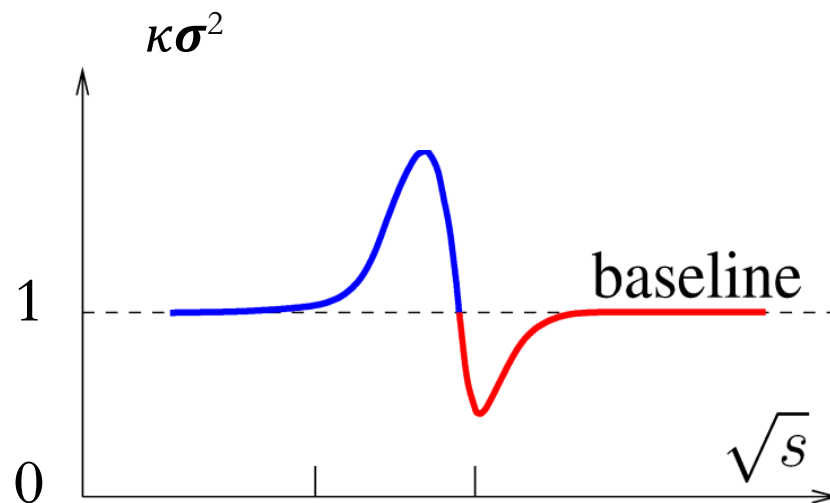
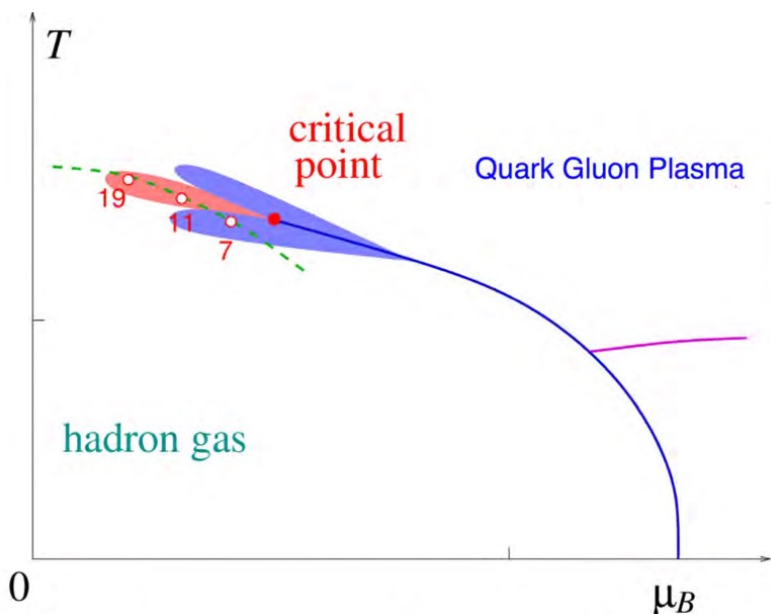
Caveats : Dynamical non-equilibrium, finite size/time effects

M. Asakawa, M. Kitazawa, B. Müller, PRC 101, 034913 (2020).

S Mukherjee, R. Venugopalan, Y Yin, PRL 117, 222301 (2016).

S. Wu, Z. Wu, H. Song, PRC 99, 064902 (2019).

S. Tang, S. Wu, H. Song, arXiv : 2303.15017



$\kappa\sigma^2 = 1$ (Poisson Fluctuations)

“Oscillation Pattern”
Especially the Peak at low energies

M. Stephanov, PRL107, 052301 (2011); J. Phys. G 38, 124147 (2011).
 Schaefer et al., PRD 85, 034027 (2012); W. Fu et al., PRD 94, 116020 (2016).
 J.W. Chen, J. Deng, et al., PRD 93, 034037 (2016). PRD 95,014038 (2017).
 W. K. Fan, X. Luo, H.S. Zong, IJMPA 32, 1750061 (2017);
 G. Shao et al., EPJC 78, 138 (2018) ; Z. Li et al., EPJC 79, 245 (2019).
 A. Bzdak et al., Phys. Rep. 853, 1(2020). D. Mroczek et al, arXiv: 2008.04022.

STAR DETECTOR SYSTEM

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EMC

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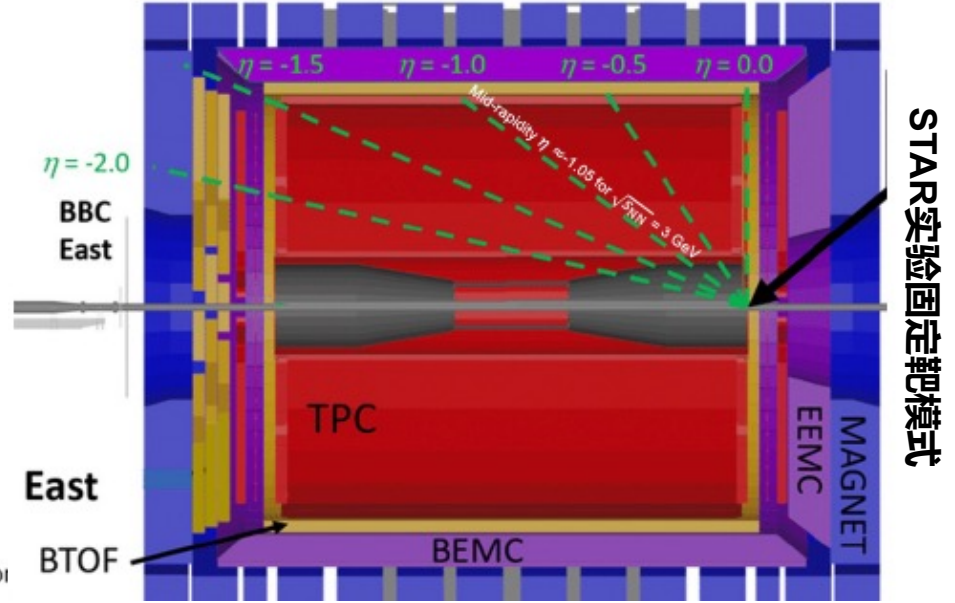
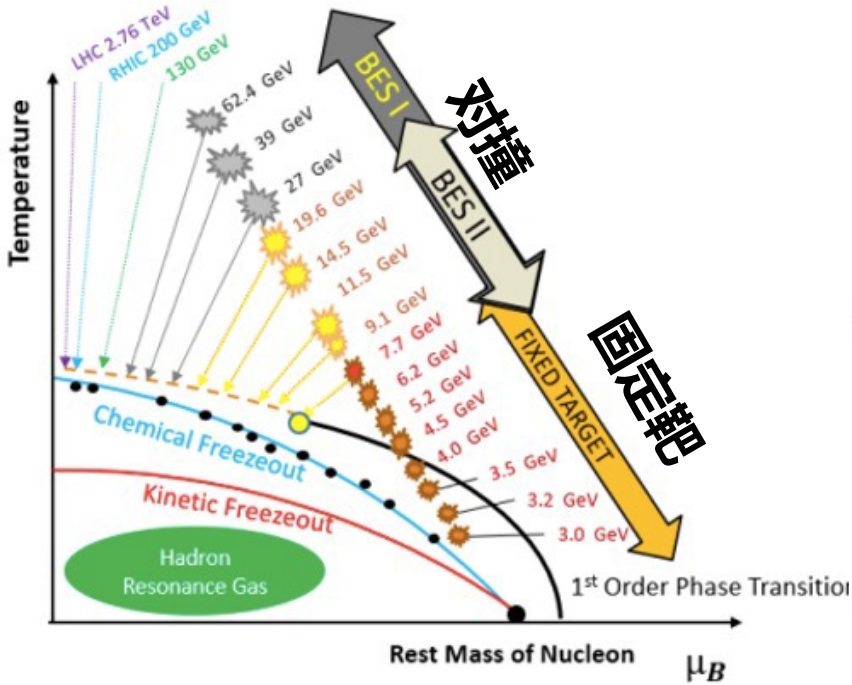
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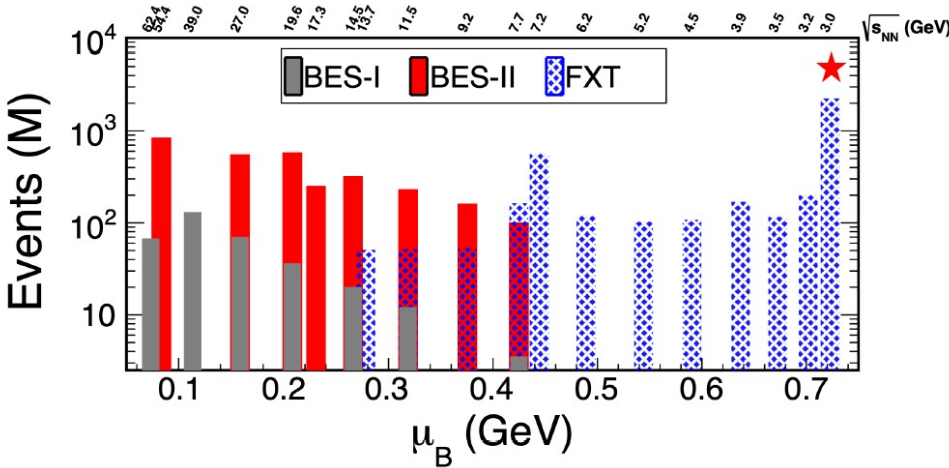
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- Large acceptance
- Excellent PID & uniform efficiency
- Modest rates

RHIC Beam Energy Scan (BES) Program (2010-2021)



STAR实验固定靶模式



- x10-20 more statistics in BES-II compared to BES-I at collider energies
- BES-II: 8 collider energies (7.7 – 54.4 GeV)
12 FXT energies (3.0 - 13.7 GeV)
- μ_B coverage : $25 < \mu_B < 750$ MeV.



RHIC能量扫描数据统计表

Au+Au Collisions at RHIC (RHIC 金核-金核碰撞)									
Collider Runs (对撞模式)					Fixed-Target Runs (固定靶模式)				
	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV)	#Events	μ_B (MeV)	Run		$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV)	#Events	μ_B (MeV)	Run
	碰撞能量	事例率	重子化学势	采集时间		碰撞能量	事例率	重子化学势	采集时间
1	200	380 M	25	Run-10,19	1	13.7 (100)	50 M	280	Run-21
2	62.4	46 M	75	Run-10	2	11.5 (70)	50 M	320	Run-21
3	54.4	1200 M	85	Run-17	3	9.2 (44.5)	50 M	370	Run-21
4	39	86 M	112	Run-10	4	7.7 (31.2)	260 M	420	Run-18,19,20
5	27	585 M	156	Run-11,18	5	7.2 (26.5)	470 M	440	Run-18,20
6	19.6	595 M	206	Run-11,19	6	6.2 (19.5)	120 M	490	Run-20
7	17.3	256 M	230	Run-21	7	5.2 (13.5)	100 M	540	Run-20
8	14.6	340 M	262	Run-14,19	8	4.5 (9.8)	110 M	590	Run-20
9	11.5	57 M	316	Run-10,20	9	3.9 (7.3)	120 M	633	Run-20
10	9.2	160 M	372	Run-10,20	10	3.5 (5.75)	120 M	670	Run-20
11	7.7	104 M	420	Run-21	11	3.2 (4.59)	200 M	699	Run-19
					12	3.0 (3.85)	2300 M	750	Run-18,21

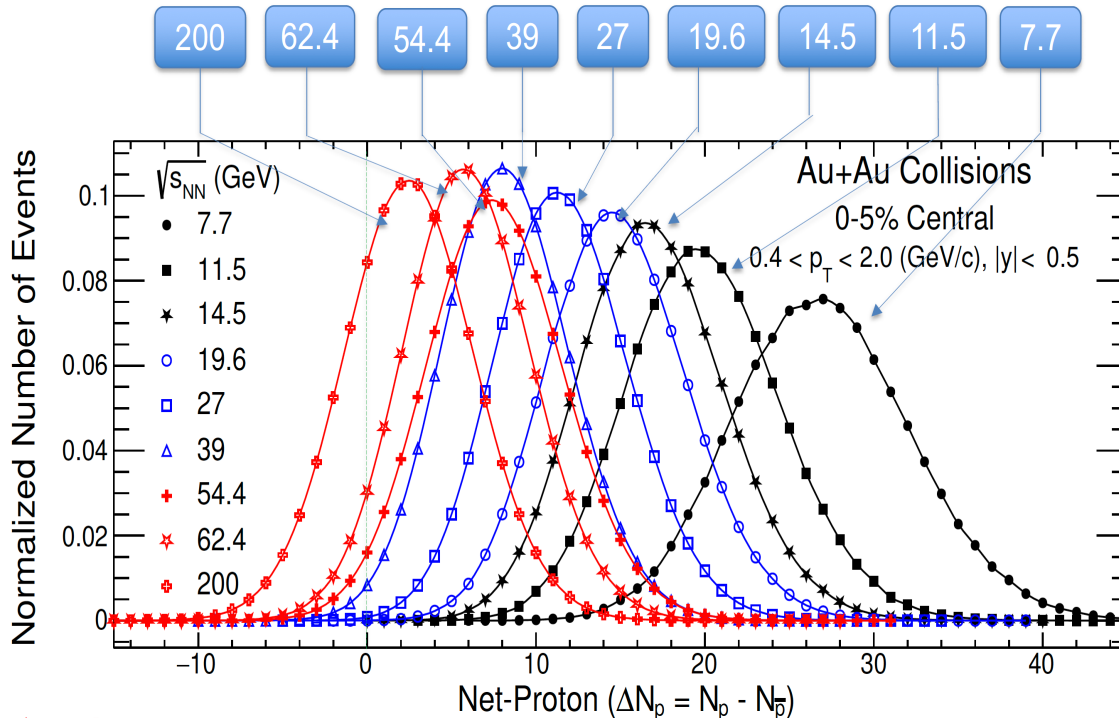
STAR, arXiv:1007.2613

<https://drupal.star.bnl.gov/STAR/starnotes/public/sn0493>

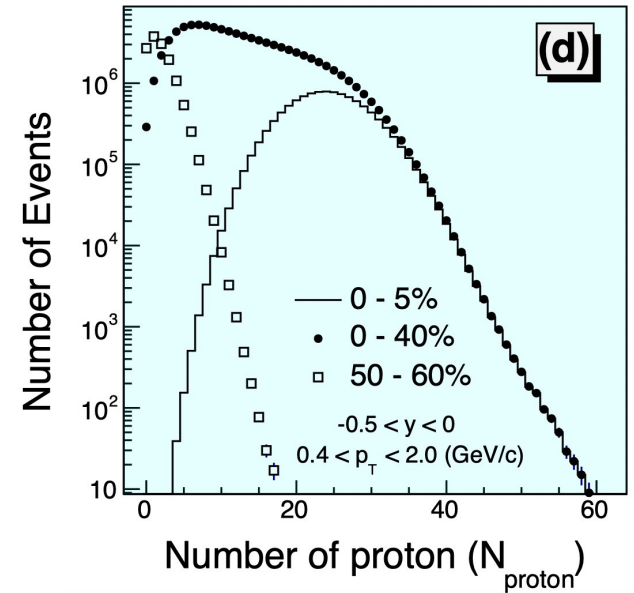
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Analysis Details



3 GeV Au+Au



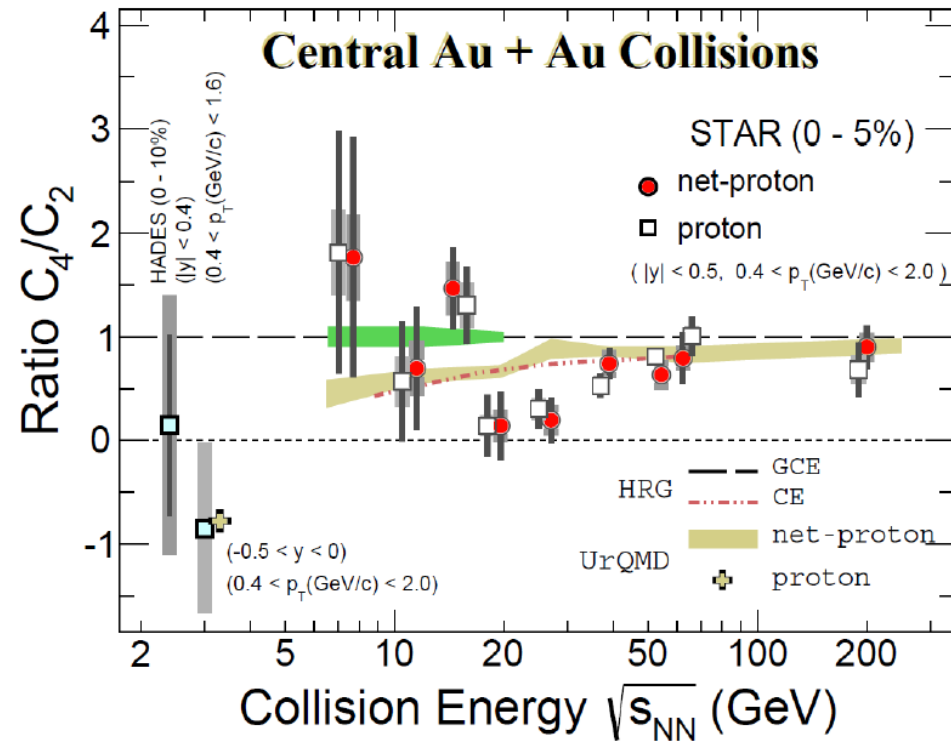
- Centrality bin width correction (CBWC)
- Auto-correlation effect: new centrality definition
- Statistical uncertainty: Delta theorem / bootstrap
- Detector efficiency correction: Binomial model
- Pileup correction
- Initial volume fluctuation correction

- **Net-Proton:** $N_p - N_{\bar{p}}$
(proxy: Net-Baryon)
- **Net-Charge:** $N_{Q^+} - N_{Q^-}$
- **Net-Kaon:** $N_{K^+} - N_{K^-}$
(proxy: Net-Strangeness)

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Energy Dependence of (Net-) Proton Fourth-order Fluctuations



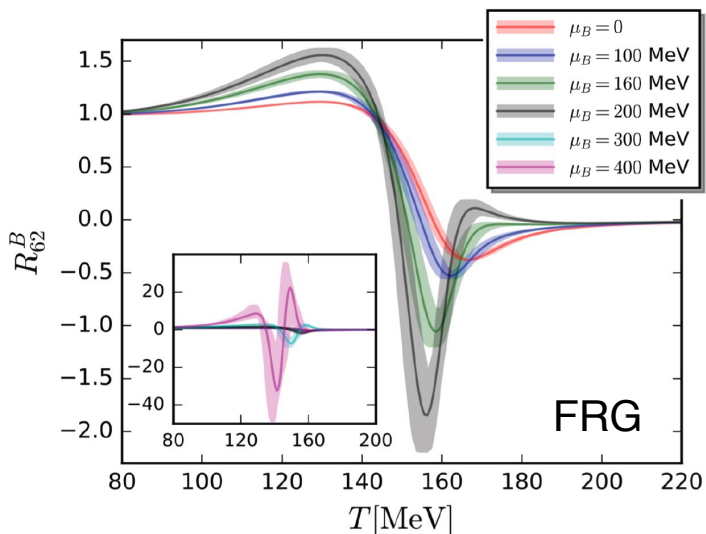
- Non-monotonic energy dependence in central Au+Au collisions (3.1σ)
- The 3 GeV proton C_4/C_2 is consistent with HADES measurement within uncertainties.
- The consistency of 3 GeV data and hadronic transport model calculation indicates the QCD critical point, if exists in heavy ion collisions, could likely be at energy higher than 3 GeV.
- The analysis of BES-II data (3 - 19.6 GeV) is ongoing !

BES-I : Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 092301 (2021)
Phys. Rev. C 104, 024902 (2021)

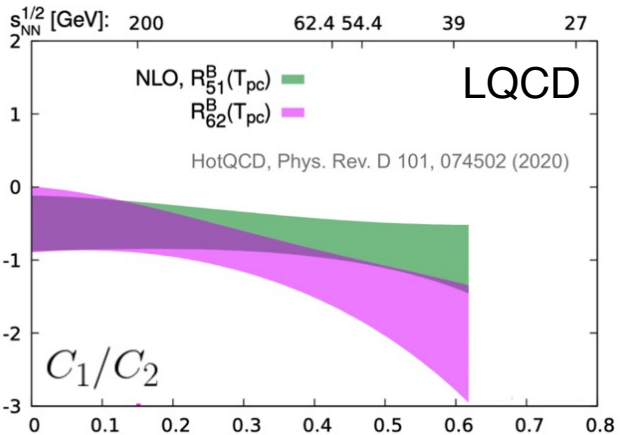
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Higher-order baryon number fluctuations

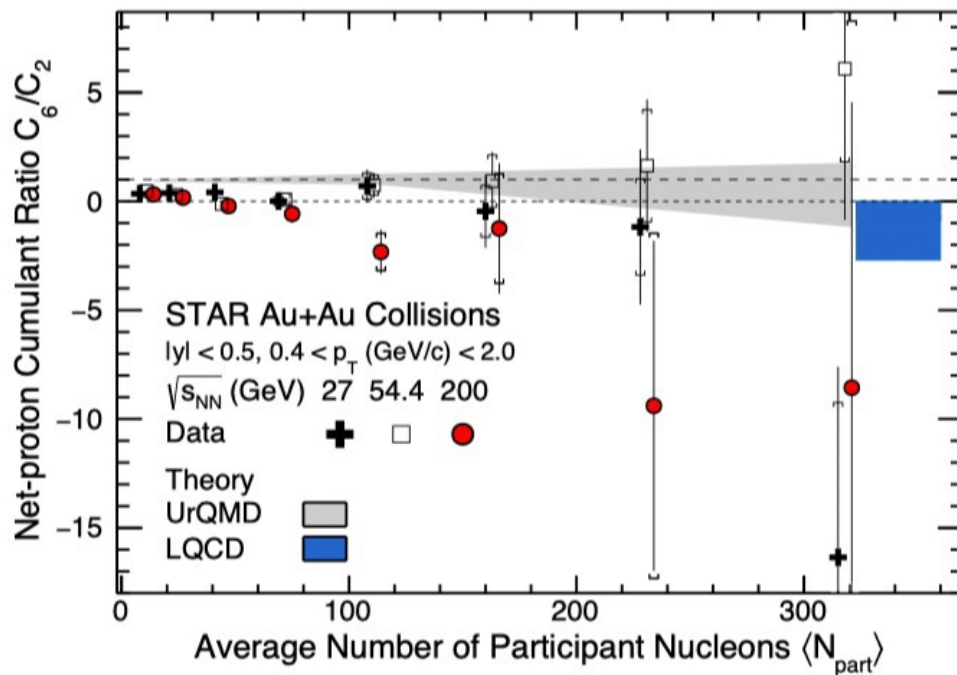


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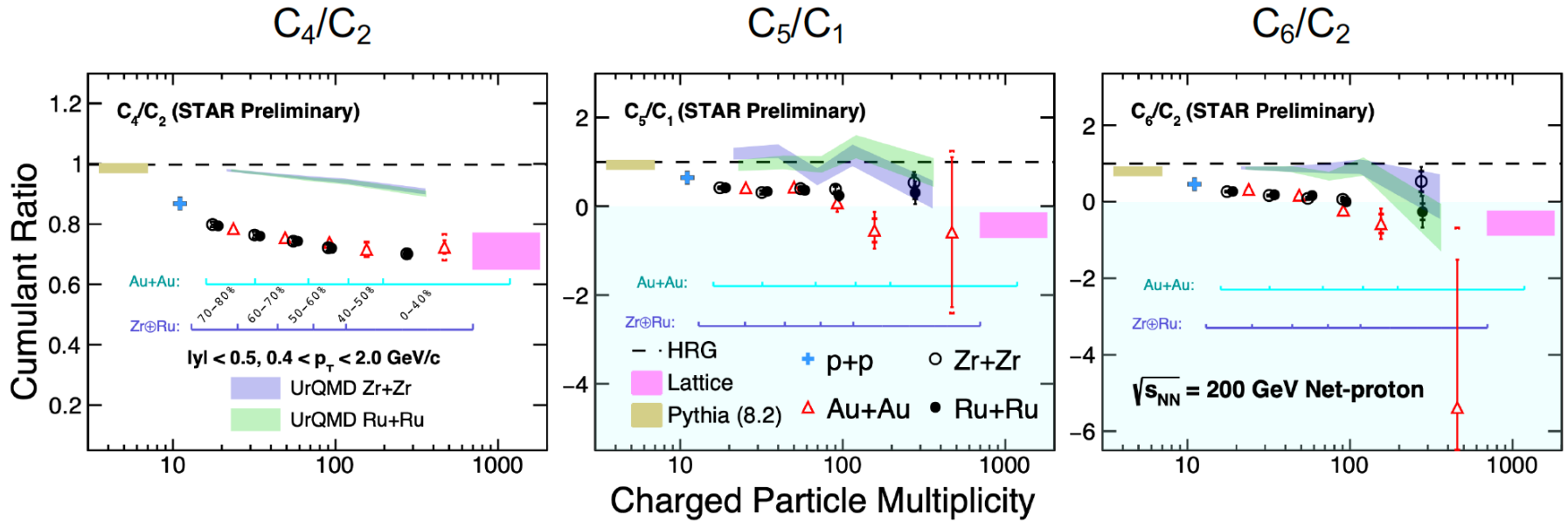


- FRG and Lattice QCD calculation predicts C_5/C_1 and $C_6/C_2 < 0$ due to chiral crossover from hadronic matter to QGP.
- **Negative sign of C5 and C6: A signature of chiral crossover.**
- 200 GeV data shows a progressively negative trend from peripheral to central collisions. More statistics are needed.



C_5/C_1 and C_6/C_2 : System Size Dependence

200 GeV : p+p, Ru+Ru, Zr+Zr and Au+Au



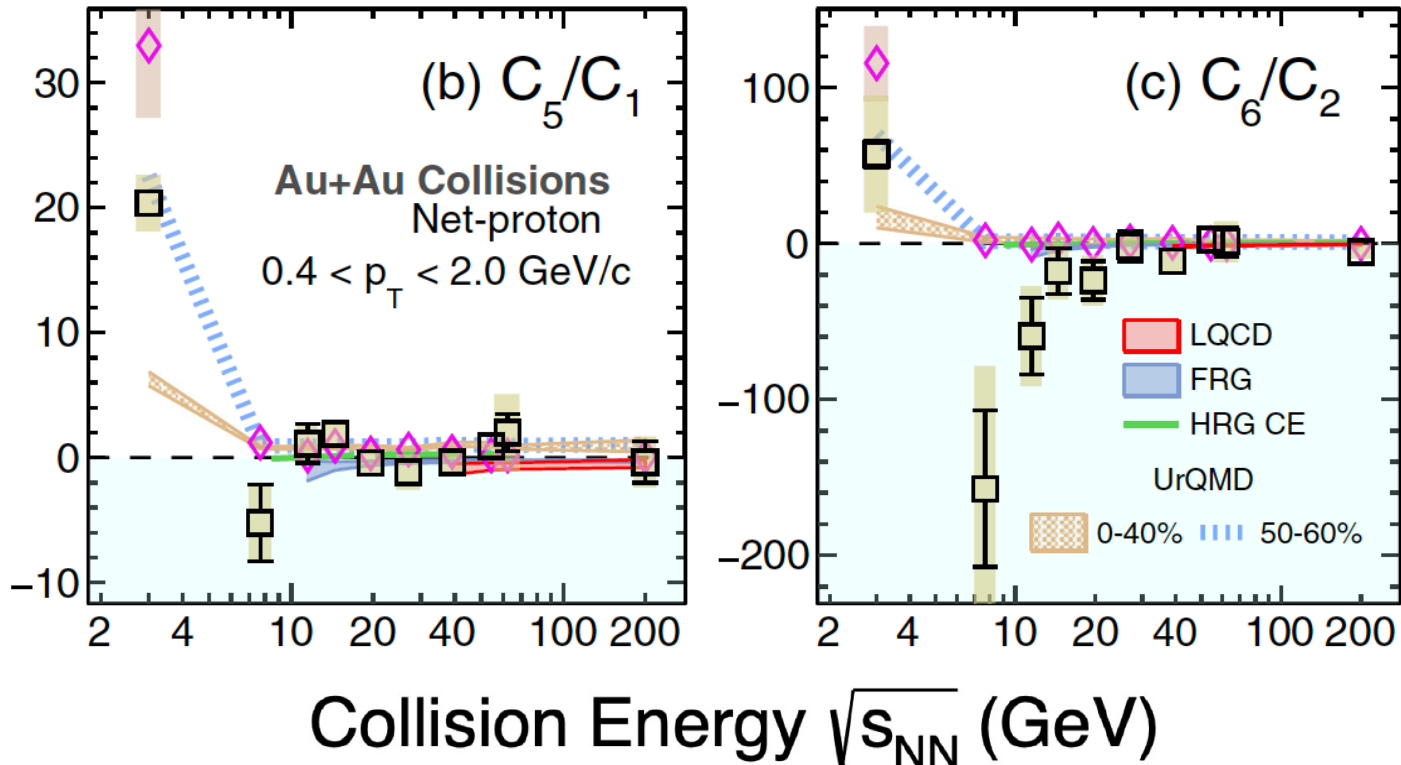
Isobar and p+p : under collaboration review

200 GeV Au+Au: PRC 104 (2021) 024902; PRL 126.092301 (2021), PRL 127, 262301 (2021).

- Cumulant ratios (up to C6) of net-proton from p+p, Au+Au and isobar data, systematic decreasing trend with multiplicity, approaching LQCD calculations
- Most central Au+Au collision results become consistent with Lattice QCD prediction for the formation of thermalized QCD matter and smooth crossover transition.



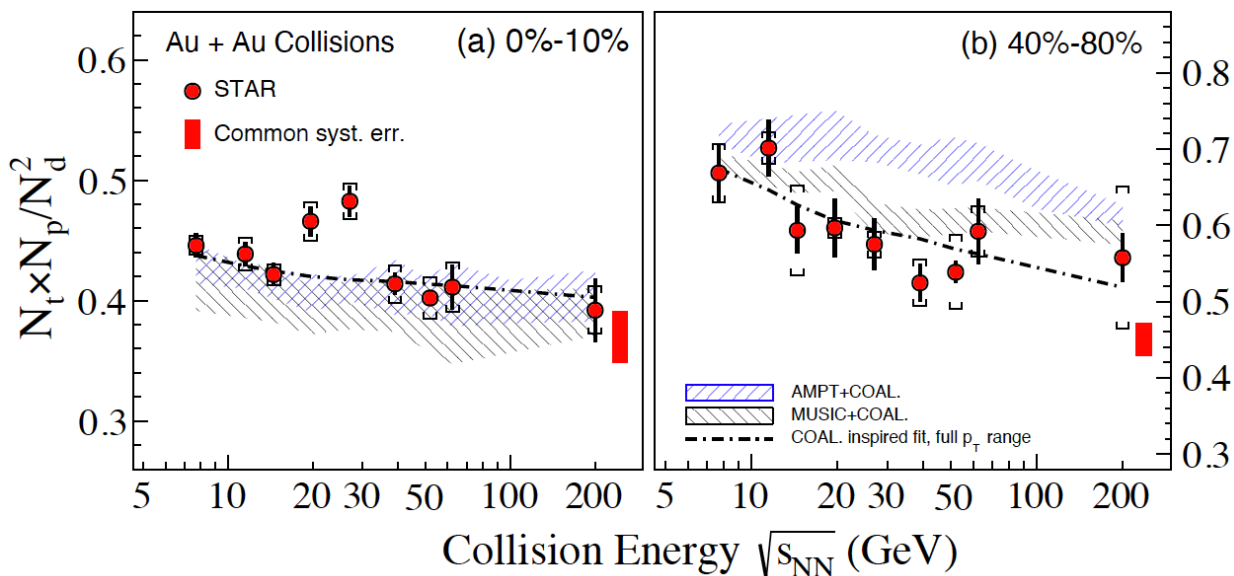
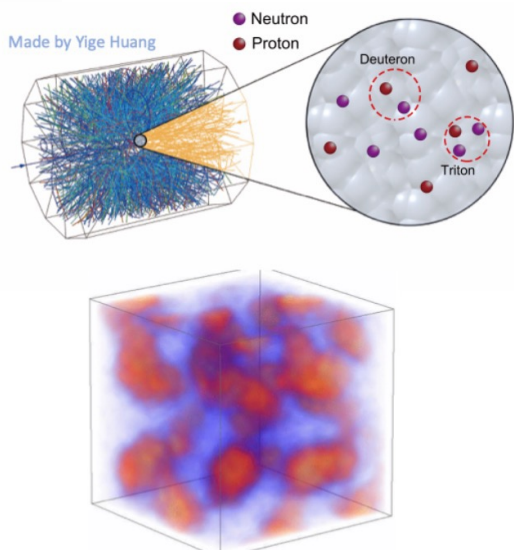
C_5/C_1 and C_6/C_2 : Energy Dependence



1. C_5/C_1 and C_6/C_2 (0-40%): Consistent with Lattice QCD with $\mu_B < 110$ MeV. (> 39 GeV)
2. C_6/C_2 progressively negative with decreasing collision energy down to 7.7 GeV.
~ 1.7 sigma to be negative sign.
3. 3 GeV 0-40% results : large initial volume fluctuations and consistent with UrQMD.

STAR, Phys. Rev. Lett. 130, 082301 (2023)

QCD相变灵敏观测量 I : 轻核产额比



Coalescence picture:

$$N_d = \frac{3}{2^{1/2}} \left(\frac{2\pi}{m_0 T_{eff}} \right)^{3/2} N_p \langle n \rangle (1 + C_{np})$$

$$N_t = \frac{3^2}{4} \left(\frac{2\pi}{m_0 T_{eff}} \right)^3 N_p \langle n \rangle^2 (1 + \Delta n + 2C_{np})$$

$$N_t \times N_p / N_d^2 = g(1 + \Delta n)$$

STAR: Phys. Rev. Lett. 130, 202301 (2023)

The compound light nuclei yield ratio is predicted to be sensitive to the CP and 1st order phase transition.

K.-J. Sun, L.-W. Chen, C. M. Ko, J. Pu, and Z. Xu,
Phys. Lett. B 781, 499 (2018)

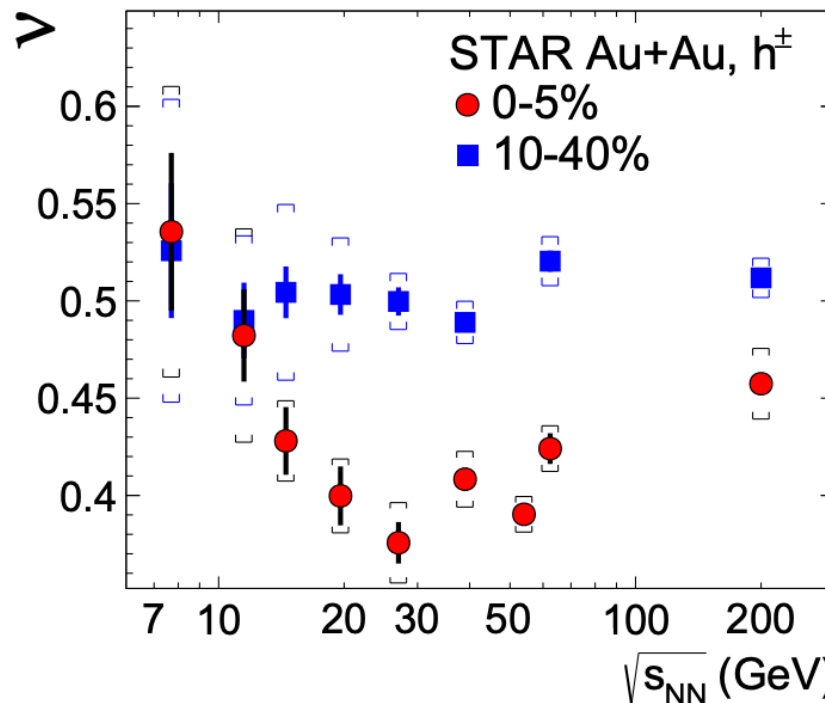
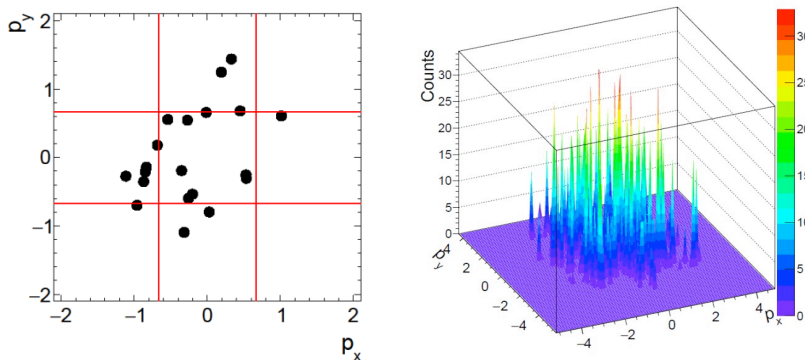
- Non-monotonic behavior observed in 0-10% central Au+Au collisions around 19.6 and 27 GeV with 4.1 σ significance deviated from coalescence baseline.
- The yield ratio in peripheral (40%-80%) collisions exhibits a monotonic trend, which can be well described by coalescence models within uncertainties.



QCD相变灵敏观测量II：带电强子的间歇分析

Probing the density fluctuations and long range correlations near the QCD critical point via intermittency analysis in transverse momentum plane.

STAR, arXiv: 2301.11062



$$F_q(M) = \frac{\langle \frac{1}{M^D} \sum_{i=1}^{M^D} n_i(n_i - 1) \dots (n_i - q + 1) \rangle}{\langle \frac{1}{M^D} \sum_{i=1}^{M^D} n_i \rangle^q}$$

$$\Delta F_q(M) = F_q^{data}(M) - F_q^{mix}(M)$$

$$\Delta F_q(M) \propto \Delta F_2(M)^{\beta_q}$$

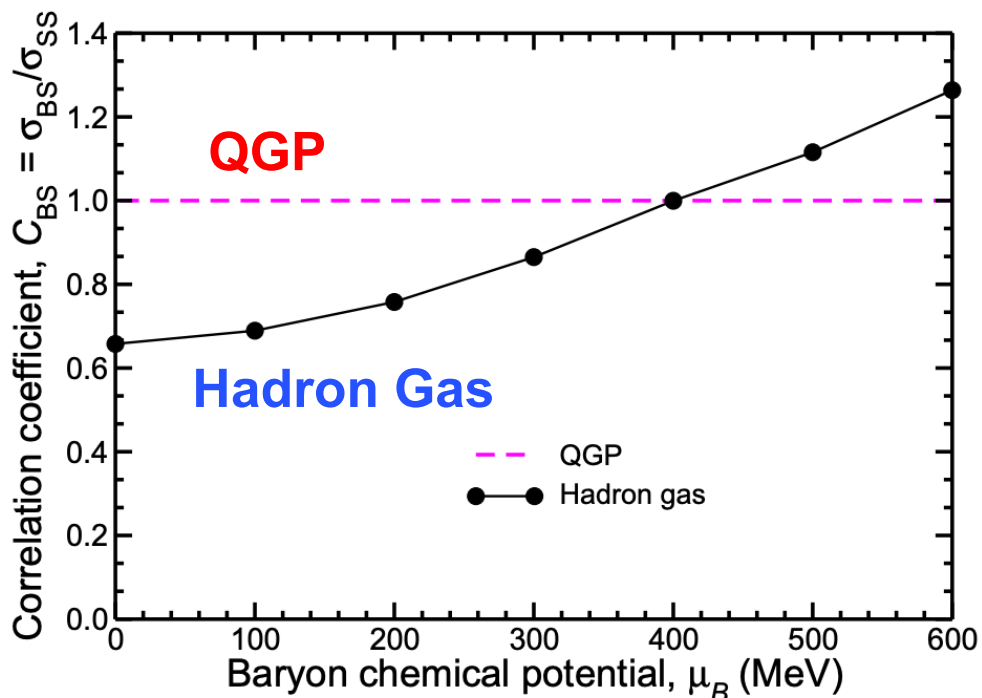
$$\beta_q \propto (q - 1)^\nu$$

Scaling exponent exhibits a non-monotonic energy dependence in central Au+Au collisions with a minimum around $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 20-30$ GeV.



QCD相变灵敏观测量III: 重子(B)-奇异(S)数关联

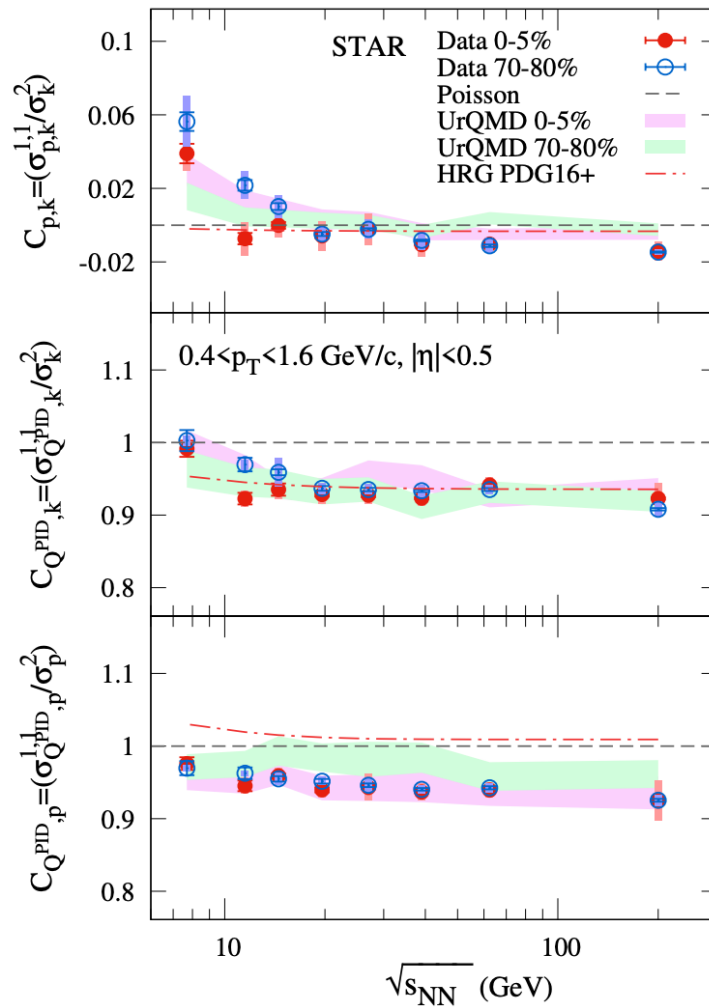
$$C_{BS} = -3\chi_{BS}^{11}/\chi_S^2 = -3 \frac{\langle BS \rangle - \langle B \rangle \langle S \rangle}{\langle S \rangle^2}$$



V. Koch, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 95, 182301 (2005).

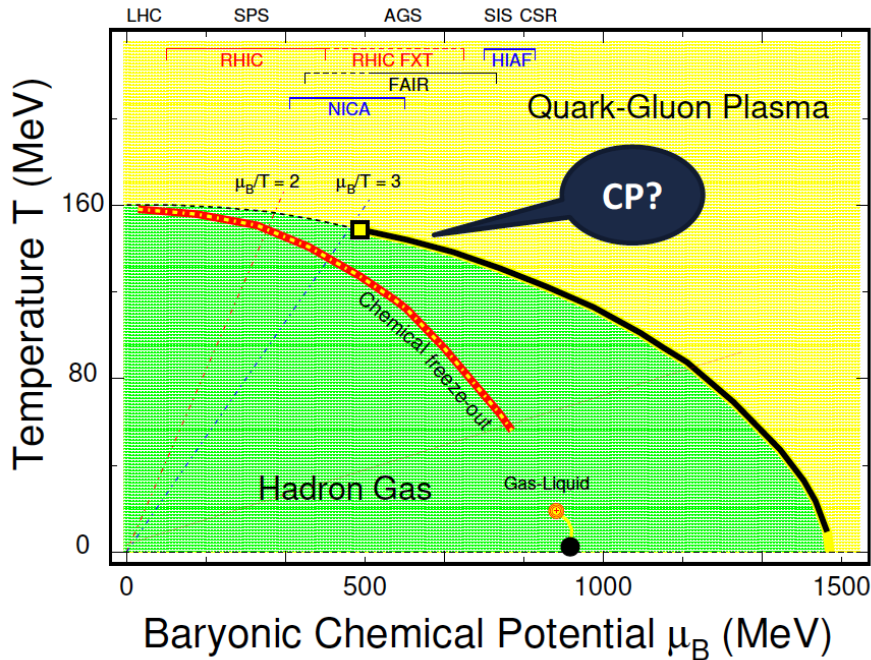
奇异重子如 Λ , Ξ 对重子-奇异数关联非常重要, 需要被考虑。数据分析进行中...

净质子-净K介子关联



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总结



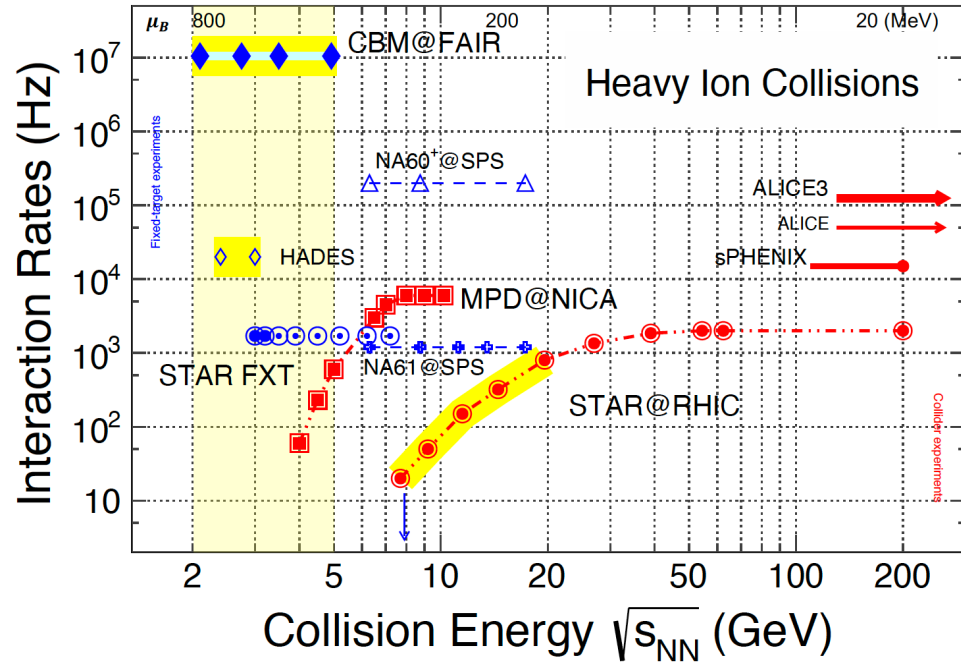
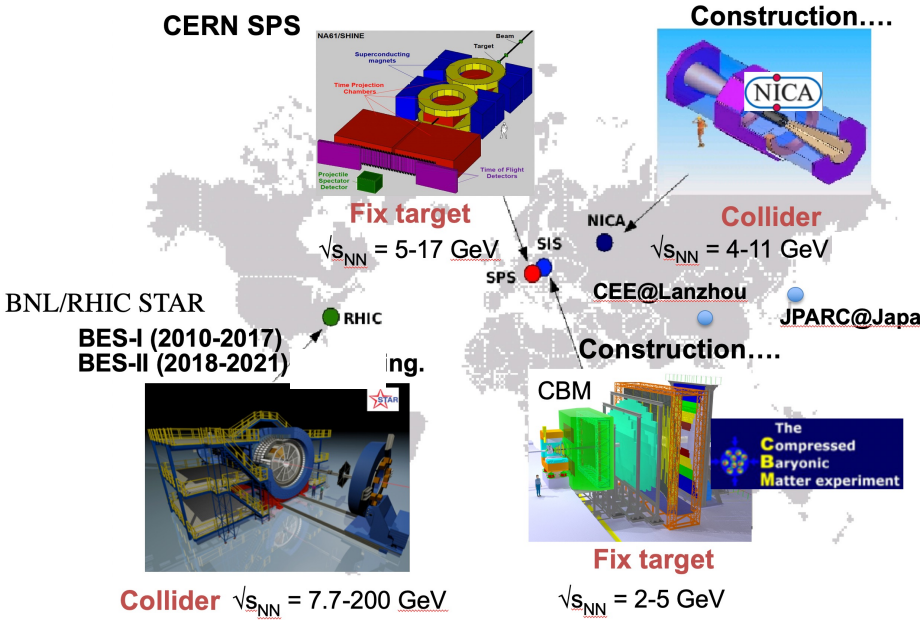
- 1) Au+Au collisions at 200 GeV, $\mu_B \sim 25$ MeV, **QGP EOS dominant, smooth crossover transition.**
- 2) At 3 GeV collisions, $\mu_B \sim 750$ MeV, different EOS comparing to high energy. **hadronic dominated !**
- 3) BES-I : **QCD critical point between 3 – 40 GeV ?**
- 4) BES-II (completed !), **analysis ongoing.**
7.7 ~ 19.6 GeV (collider)
3 ~ 7.7 GeV (FXT)

Net-proton analysis status at BES-II energies

Energy (GeV)	3.2 (FXT)	3.5 (FXT)	7.7	9.2	11.5	14.5	17.3	19.6
Data Production	Done	Done	Done	Done	Done	Done	No	Done
QA	Done	Done	Done	Done	Done	Done	No	Done
Centrality	No	No	Done	Done	Done	Done	No	Done
Purity	Done	Done	Done	No	No	Done	No	Done
Embedding	Done	No	Done	No	No	Done	No	Done
Final Results	No	No	Near final	No	No	Near final	No	Near final



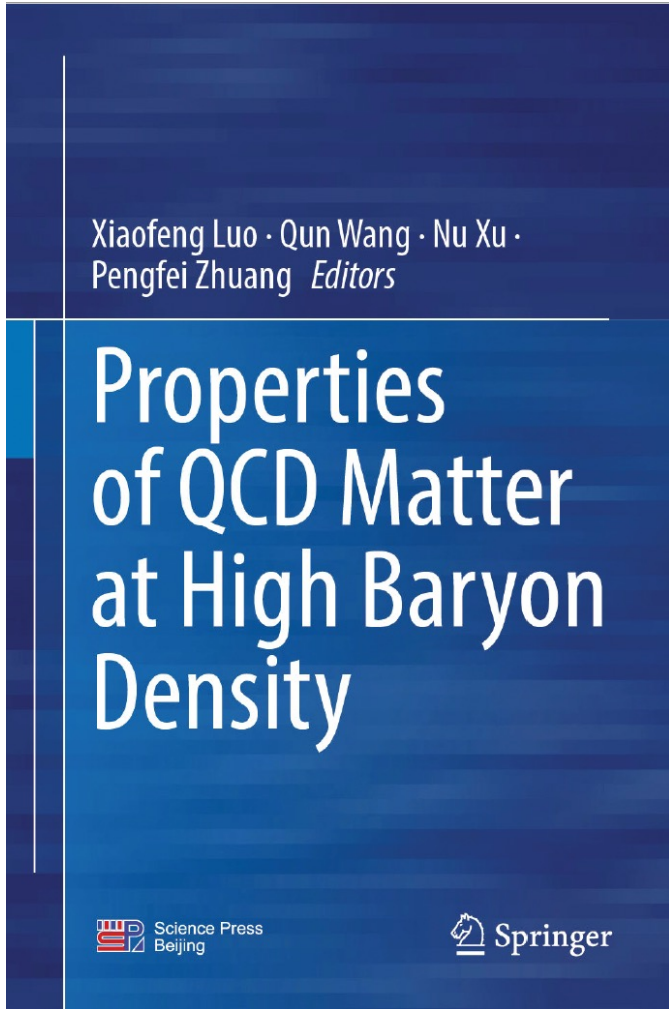
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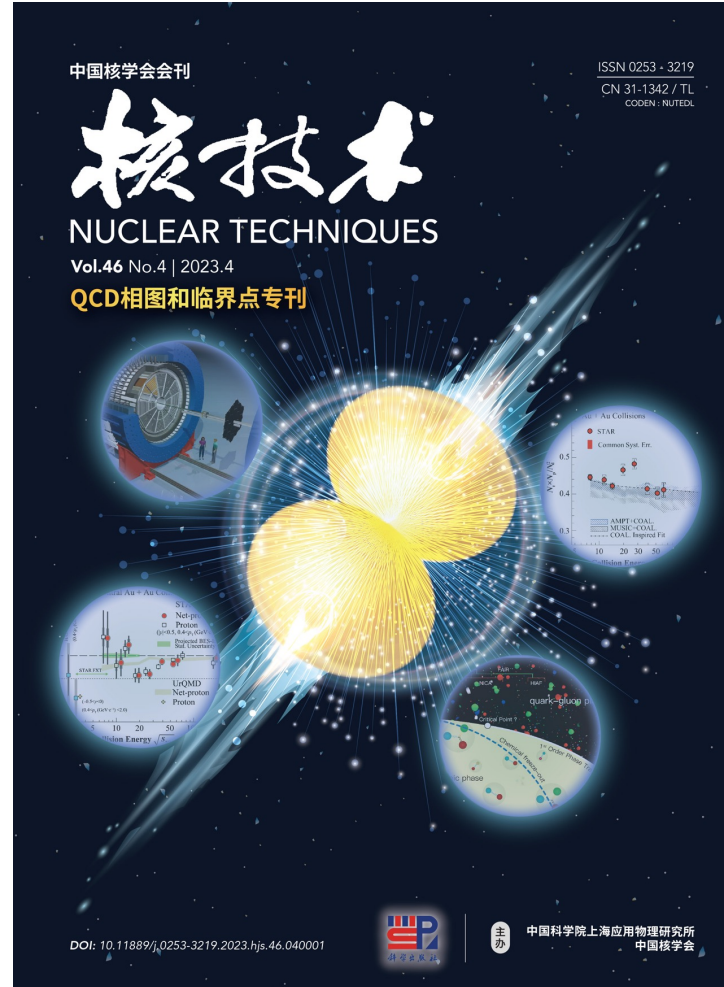
- Mapping out the QCD phase structure at **high baryon density** with **high precision**:
- (1) RHIC BES-II : Collider ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7 - 19.6 \text{ GeV}$) and FXT ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3 - 7.7 \text{ GeV}$) mode.
 - (2) Future Facilities ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2 - 11 \text{ GeV}$) : FAIR/CBM, NICA/MPD, HIAF/CEE, JPARC-HI.



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