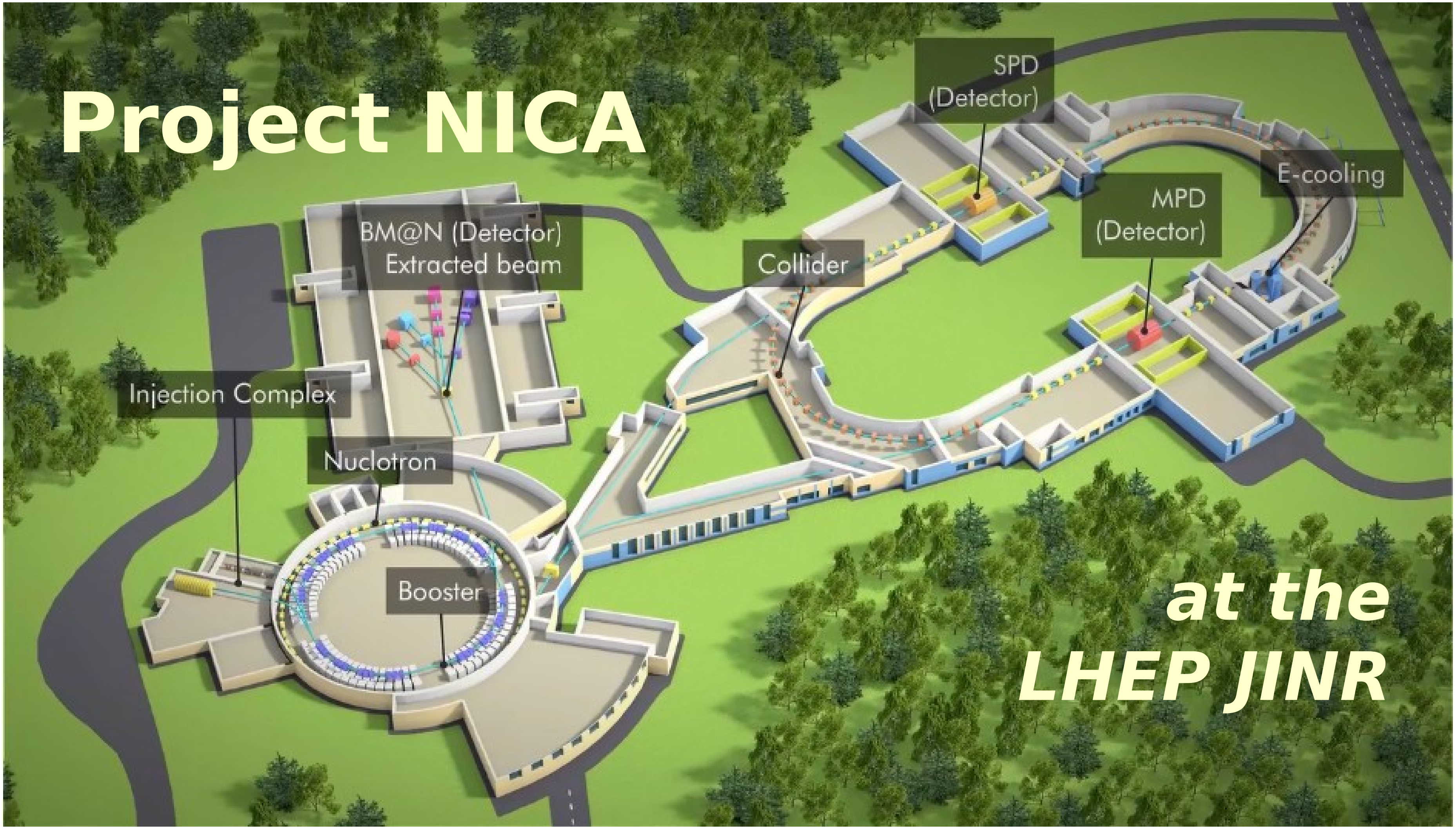
Project NICA

at the LHEP JINR



ROGACHEVSKY Oleg
for MPD collaboration

ISMD 2017
September, 11 2017
Tlaxcala City

NICA complex

Beams – p,d(h)..$^{197}Au^{79+}$

Collision energy √s= **4-11** GeV/u (Au), **12-27** (p)

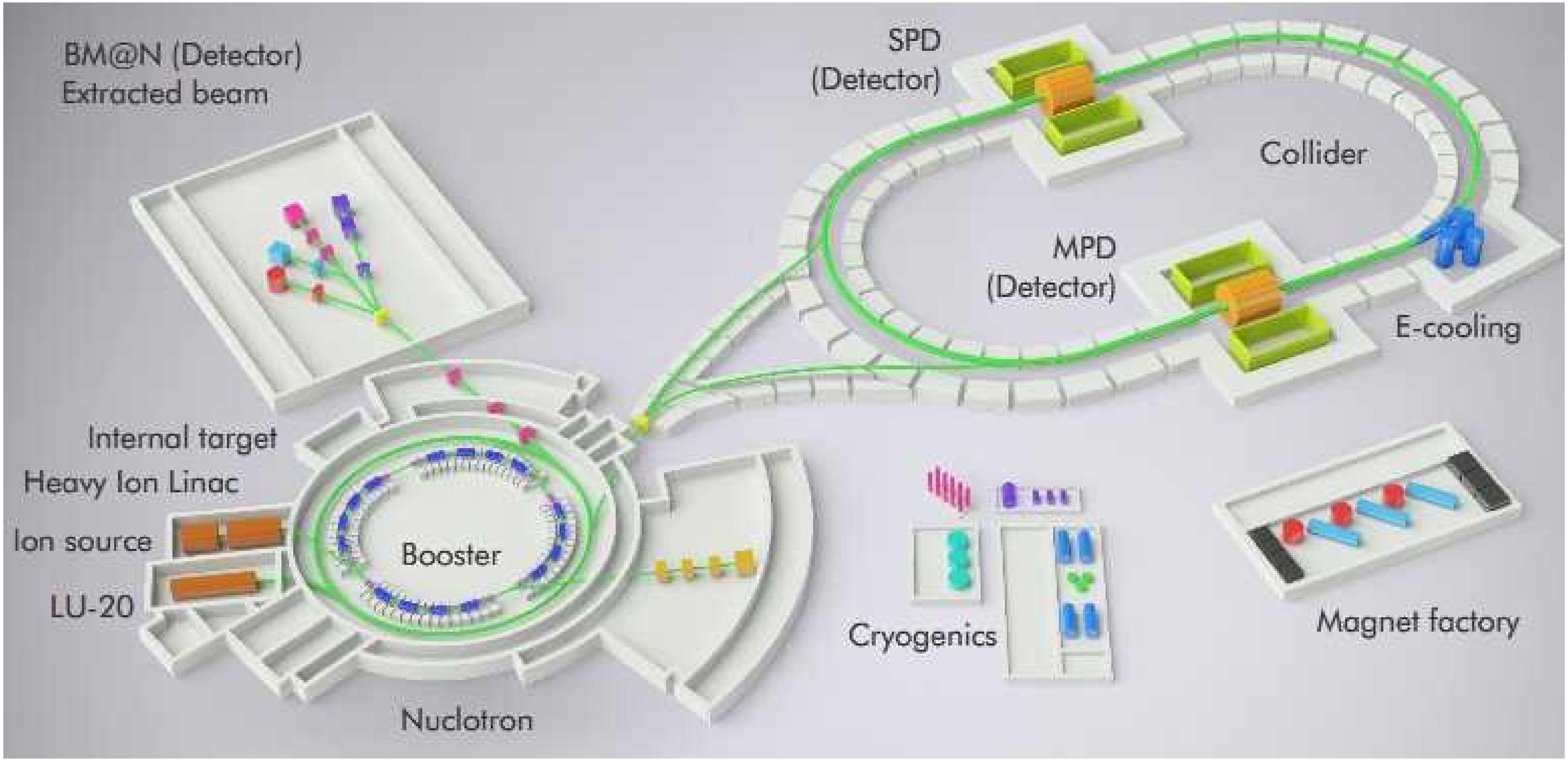
Beam energy (fixed target) - **1-6** GeV/u

Luminosity: 10^{27} $cm^{-2}s^{-1}$(Au), 10^{32} (p)

Experiments:

2 Interaction points – **MPD** and SPD

Fixed target experiment **BM@N**



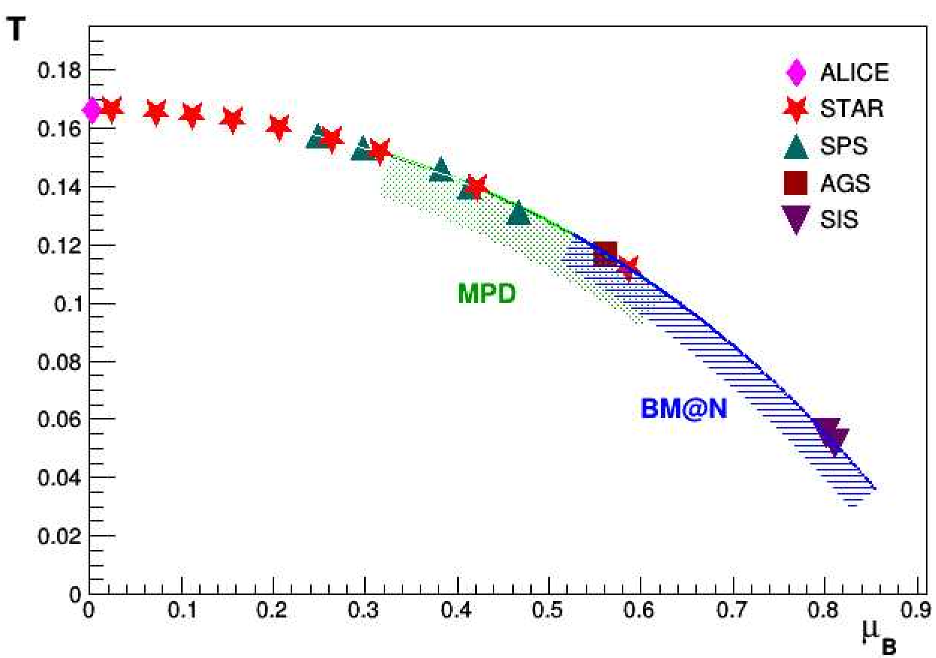
QCD Phase diagram

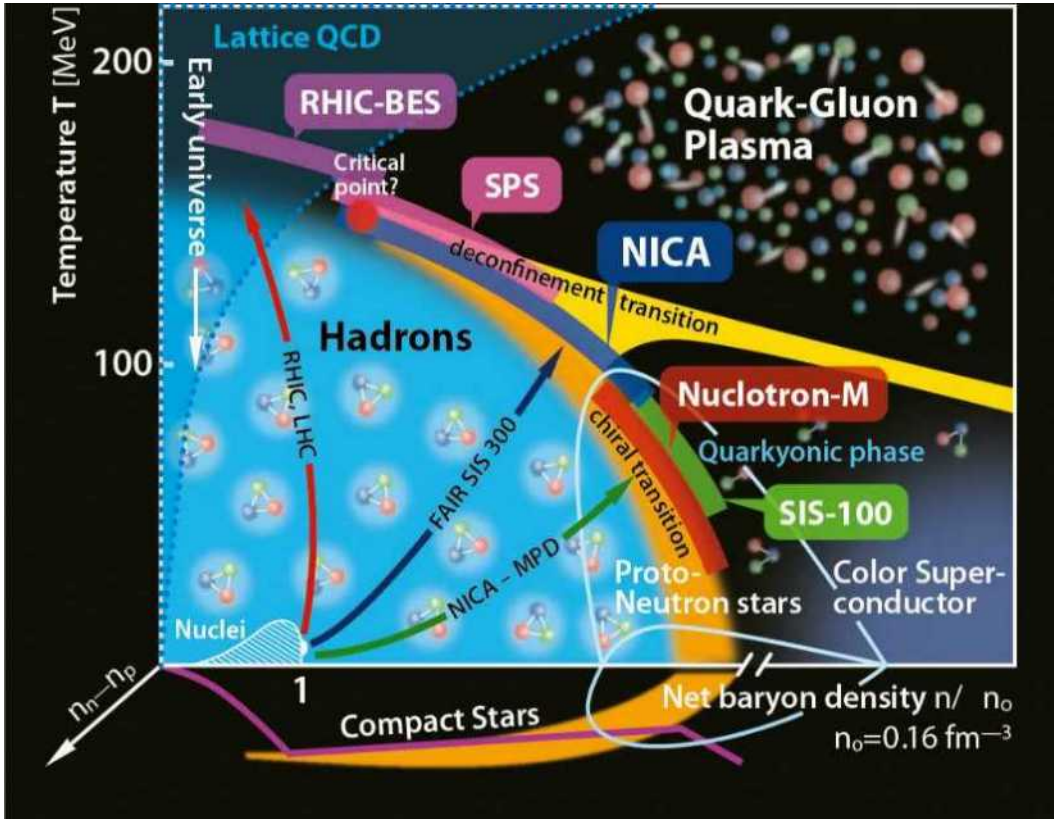
NICA energy scan:

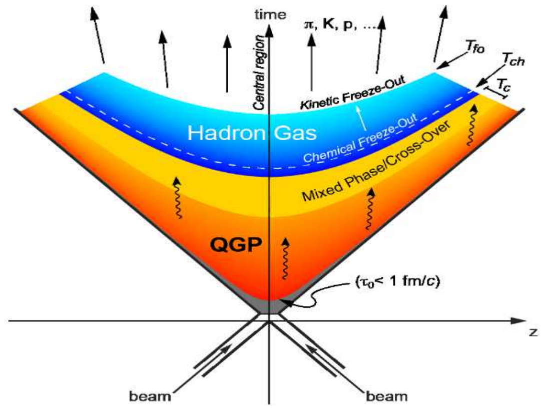
MPD 4 < √s < 11 GeV/u

BM@N 2.3 < √s < 3.4 GeV/u

p, C, …, Au



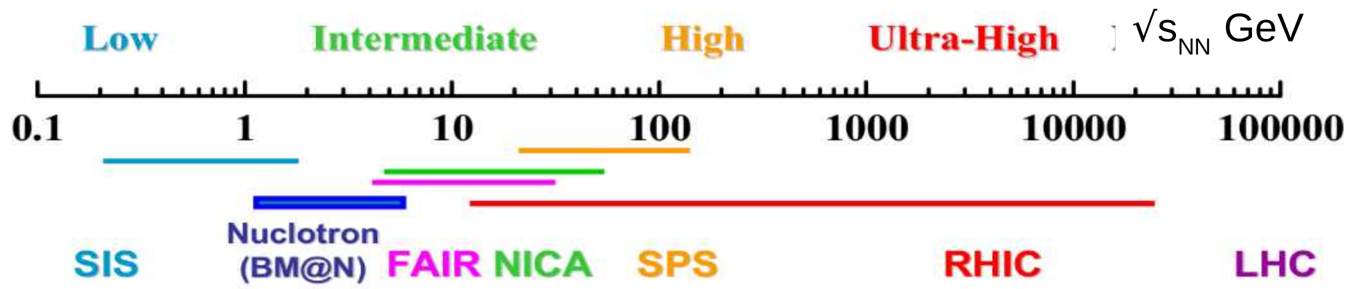




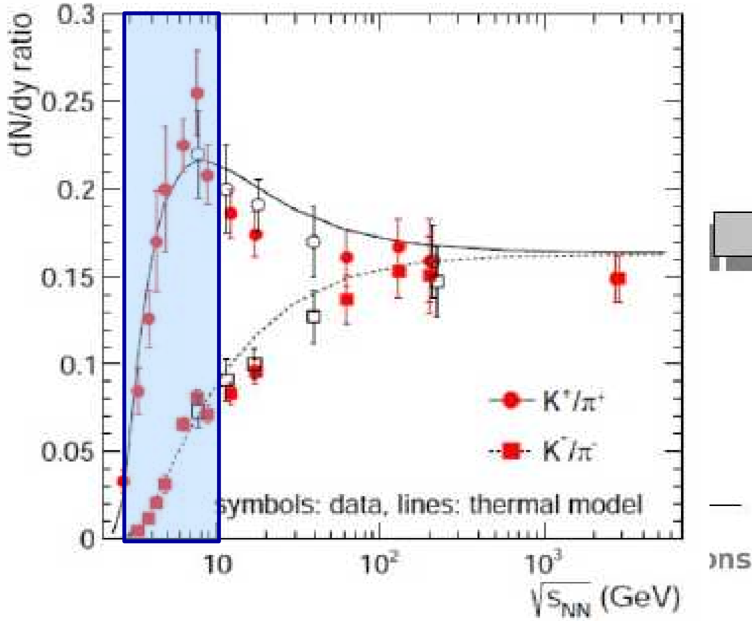
Current & future HI experiments

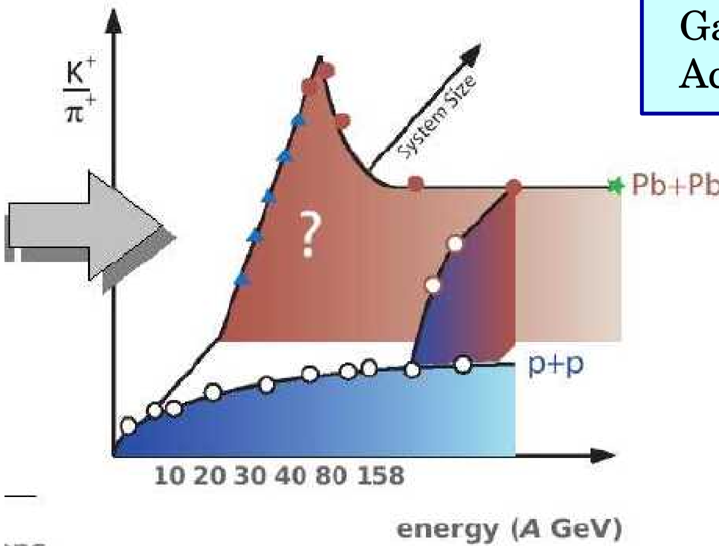
Facility	SPS	RHIC BES II	Nuclotron-M	NICA	SIS/100 (500 ?)	LHC
Laboratory	CERN Geneva	BNL Brookhaven	JINR Dubna	JINR Dubna	FAIR GSI Darmstadt	CERN Geneva
Experiment	NA61 SHINE	STAR PHENIX	BM@N	MPD	HADES CBM	ALICE ATLAS CMS
Start of data taking	2011	2020	2015	2021	2020/25	2009
$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$	4.9 – 17.3	7.7 – 200	< 3.5	4 - 11	2.3 – (4.5)	up to 5500
Physics	CP & OD	CP & OD	HDM	OD & HDM	OD & CP	PDM

CP — critical point
OD — onset of deconfinement, mixed phase, 1st order phase transition
HDM — hadrons in dense matter
PDM — properties of deconfined matter



NA49 energy & species scan

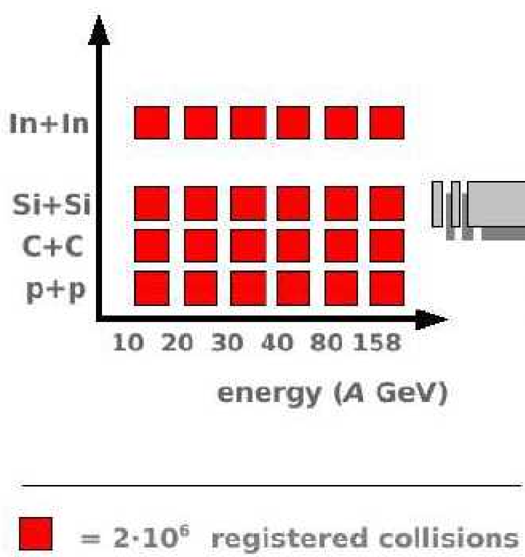


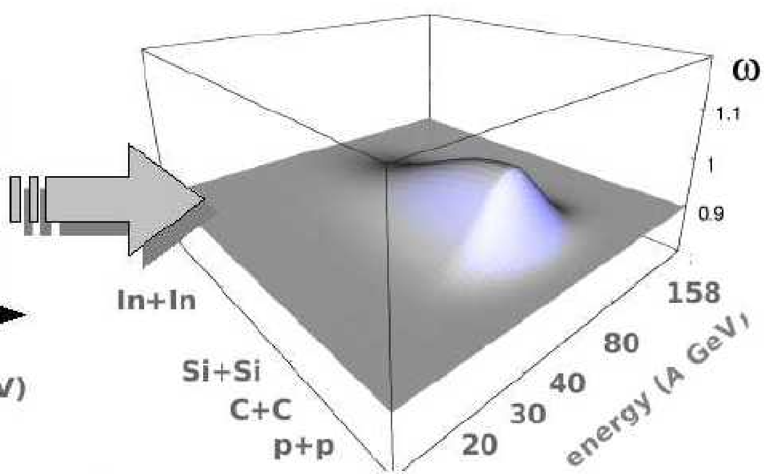


Gazdzicki M. Gorenstein M.
Acta. Phys. Pol., B30: 2705 1999

Horn
vanishing

arXiv:nucl-ex/0612007



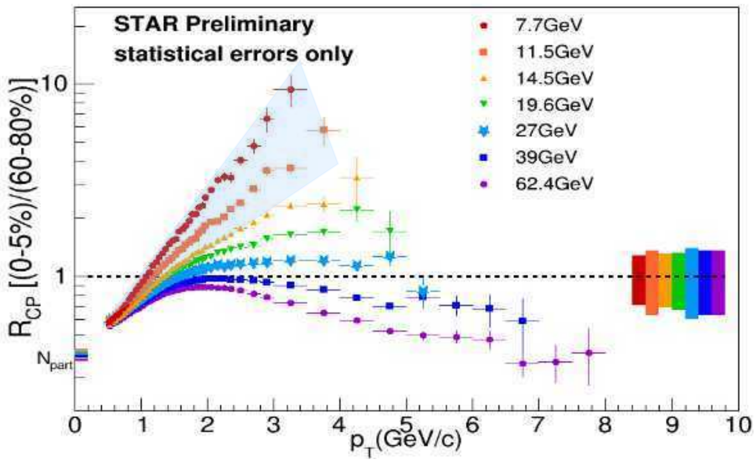


The scaled variance of the multiplicity distribution of negatively charged hadrons in the projectile hemi-sphere

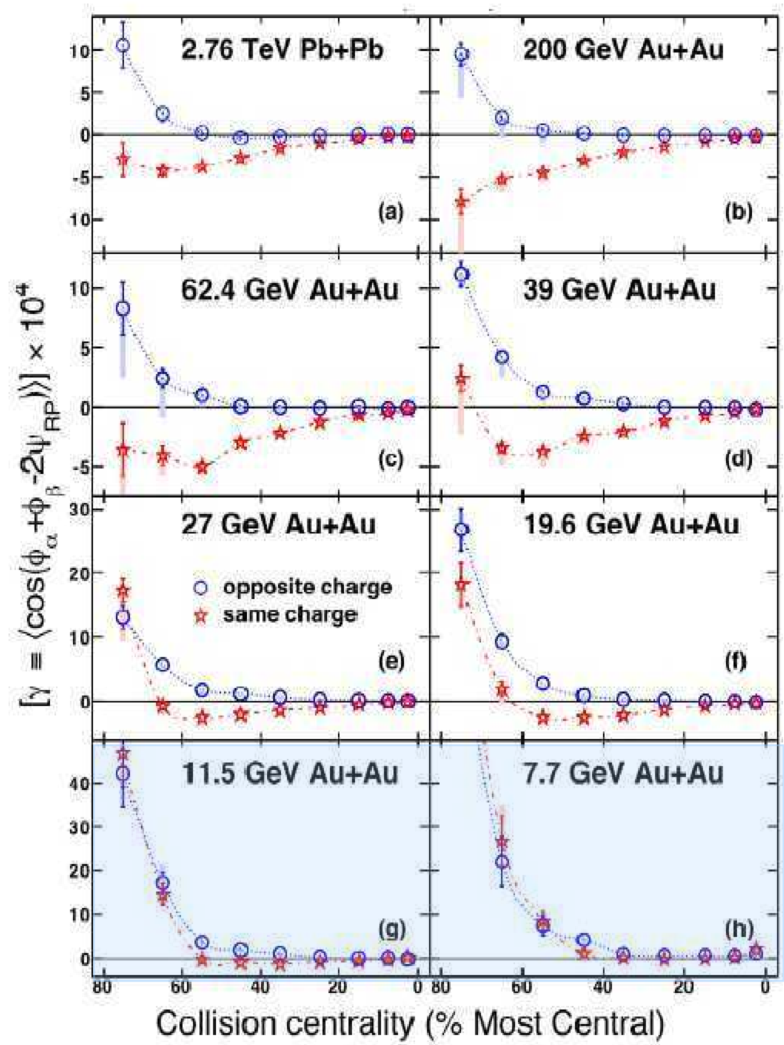
STAR Beam Energy Scan results

High P_T suppression

Stephen Horvat Quark Matter 2015

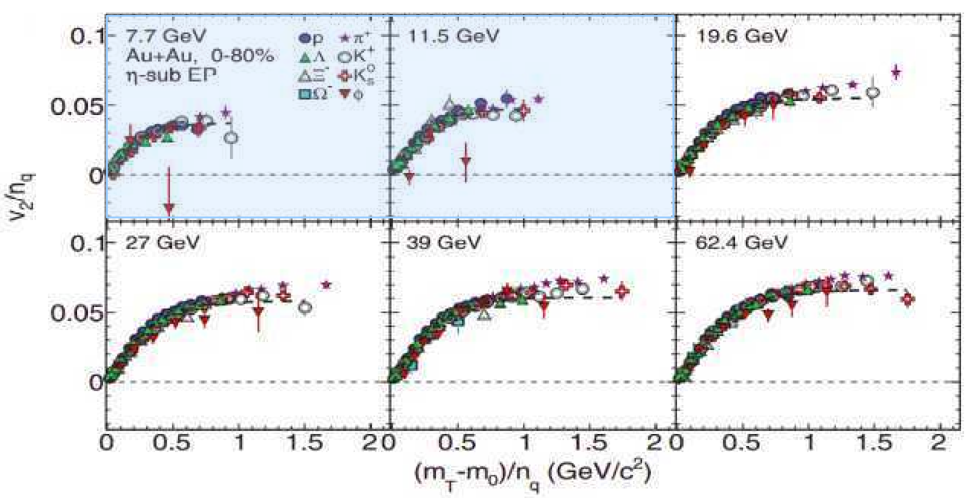


Chiral Magnetic Effect



Number of constituent quarks scaling

Phys. Rev. C88, (2013), 014902

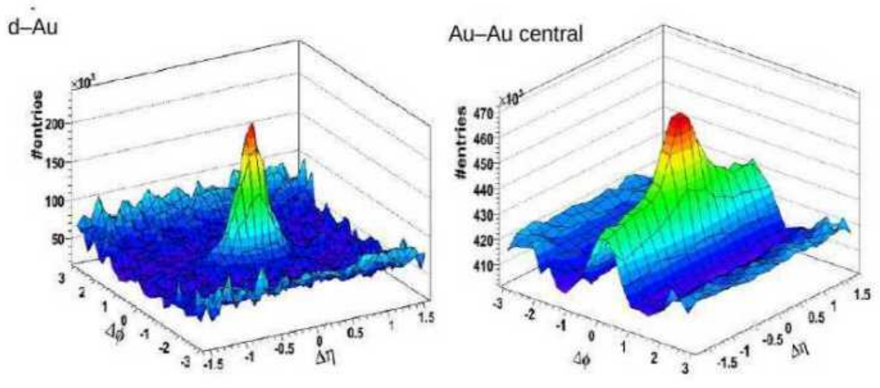


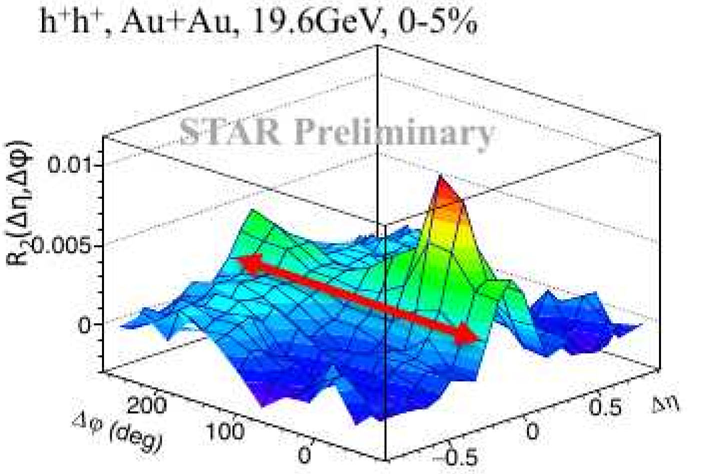
STAR BES I results

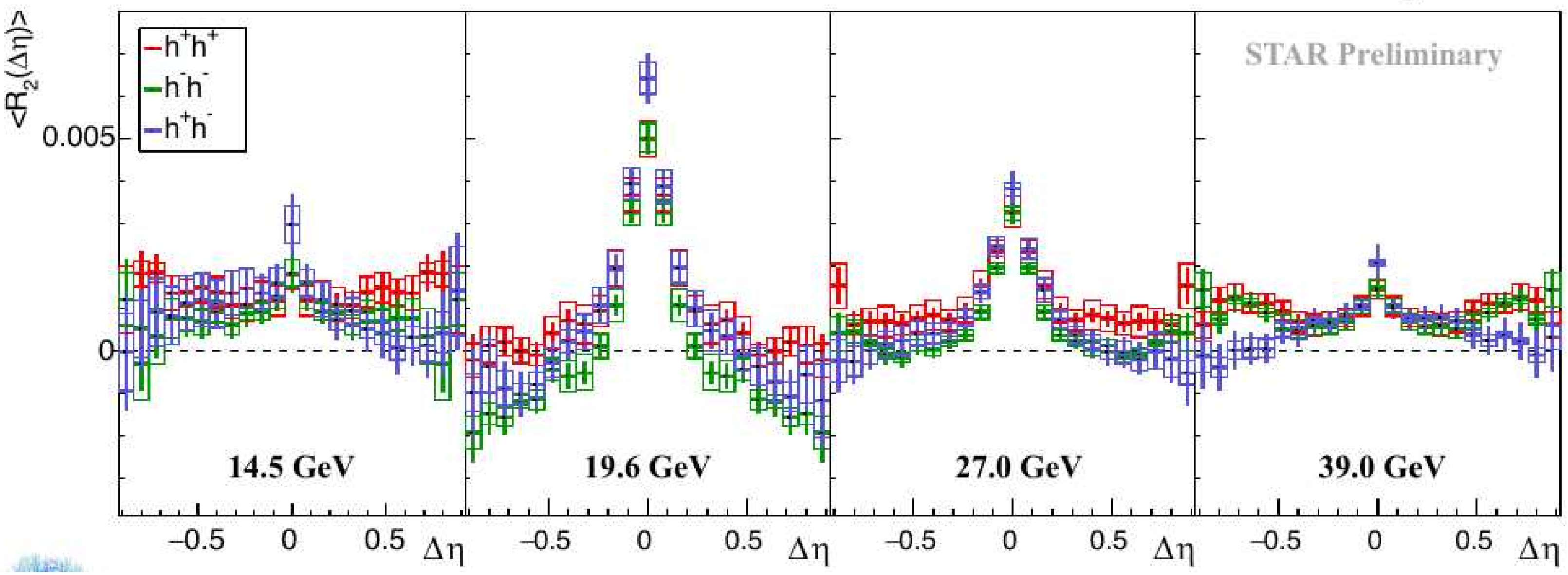
S. Jowzaee, Quark Matter 2017

Ridge effect

B. Abelev et al., Phys. Rev. C80, 064912 (2009).

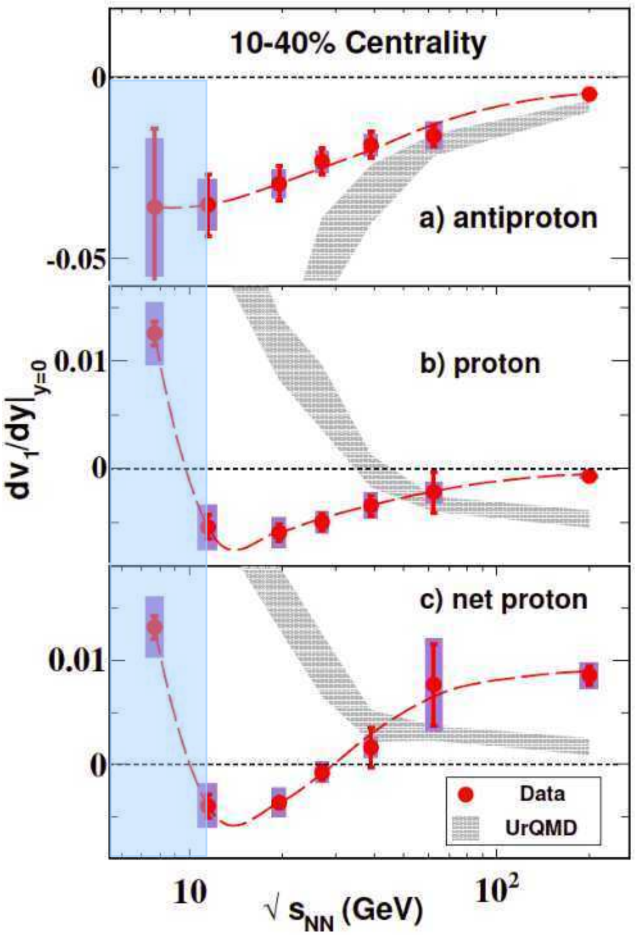






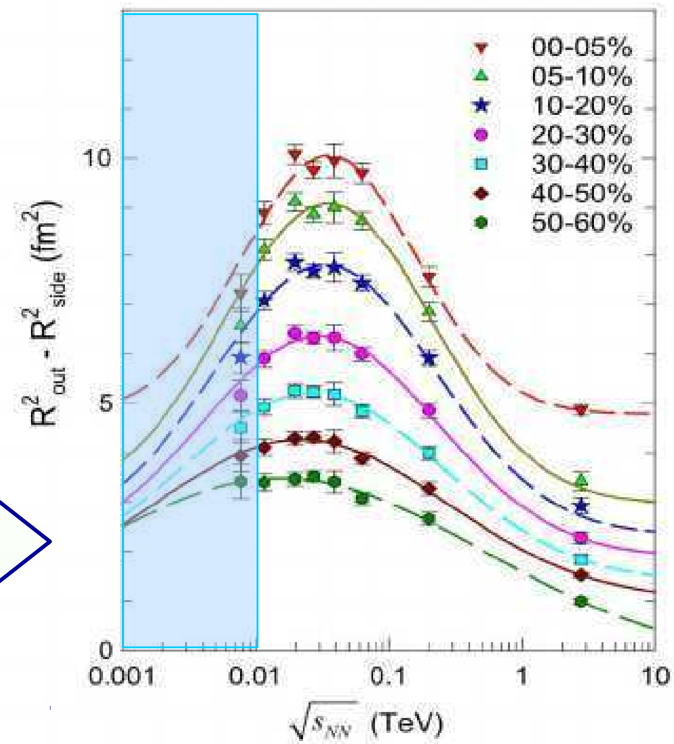
STAR BES I results

PRL 112 (2014) 162301



The rapidity-slope of the net proton directed flow v_1, dv_1/dy. This quantity is sensitive to early pressure gradients in the medium.

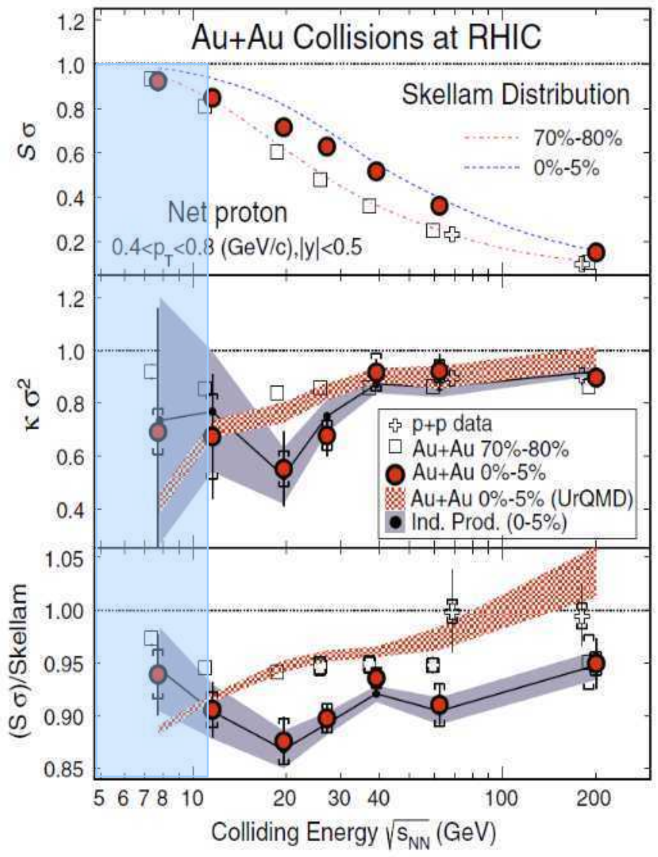
R. Lacey, PRL 114, 142301 (2015)



R^2_{out} - R^2_{side} – reflects the lifetime of the collision fireball and was predicted to reach a maximum for collisions in which a hydrodynamic fluid forms at temperatures where the equation of state is softest.

STAR BES I results

STAR, PRL 112, 032302 (2014)



The kurtosis of the event-by-event distribution of the net proton (i.e. proton minus antiproton) number per unit of rapidity, normalized such that Poisson fluctuations give a value of 1.

In central collisions, published results in a limited kinematic range show a drop below the Poisson baseline around $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =27 and 19.6 GeV.

New preliminary data over a larger p_T range, although at present still with substantial error bars, hint that the normalized kurtosis may, in fact, rise above 1 at lower $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$, as expected from critical fluctuations..

The grey band shows the much reduced uncertainties anticipated from BES-II in 2018-2019, for the 0-5% most central collisions.

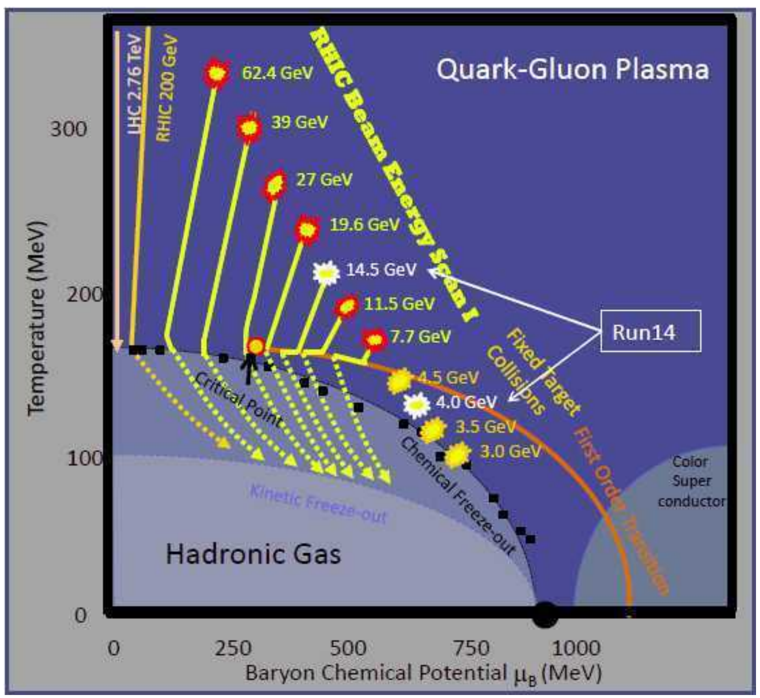
STAR Beam Energy Scan program

BES I

$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV)	μ_B (MeV)	MinBias Events (10^6)	Time (weeks)	Year
7.7	420	4.3	4	2010
11.5	315	11.7	2	2010
14.5	**260**	**24.0**	**3**	**2014**
19.6	205	35.8	1.5	2011
27.0	155	70.4	1	2011
39.0	115	130.4	2	2010
62.4	70	67.3	1.5	2010

BES II

$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV)	μ_B (MeV)	Needed Events (10^6)
7.7	420	100
9.1	370	160
11.5	315	230
14.5	**260**	**300**
19.6	205	400



Year	System and Energy	Physics/Observables	Upgrade
2017	• p+p @ 500 GeV • Au+Au @ 62.4 GeV	• Spin sign change diffractive • Jets	FMS post-shower, EPD (1/8th), eTOF prototype
2018	• Zr+Zr, Ru+Ru @ 200 GeV • Au+Au @ 27 GeV	• CME, di-leptons • CVE	Full EPD? eTOF prototype
2019	Au+Au @ 14.5-20 GeV + fixed target	• QCD critical point • Phase transition • CME, CVE,…	Full iTPC, eTOF, and EPD
2020	Au+Au @ 7-11 GeV + fixed target	• QCD critical point • Phase transition • CME, CVE,…	
2020+	• Au+Au @ 200 GeV • p+A/p+p @ 200 GeV	• Unbiased jets, open beauty • PID FF, Drell-Yan, longitudinal correlations	• HFT+ • FCS, FTS

NICA experiments
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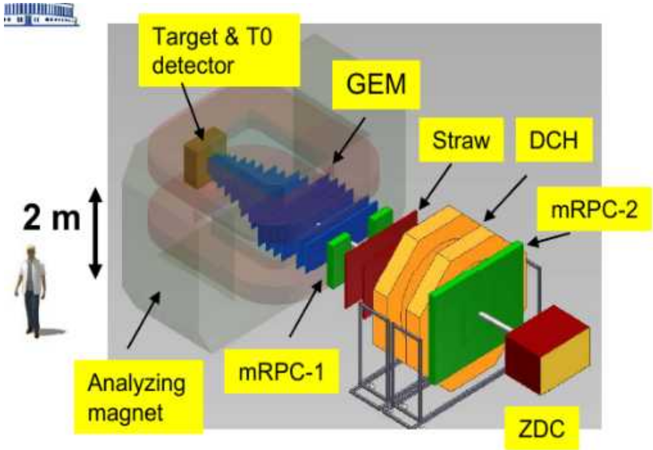
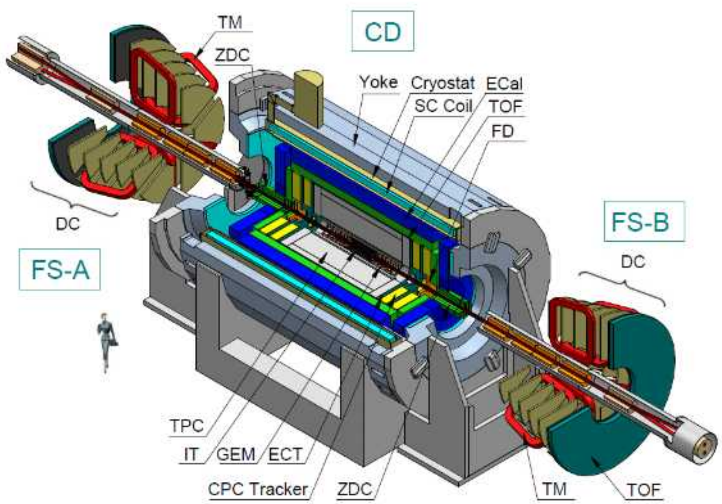
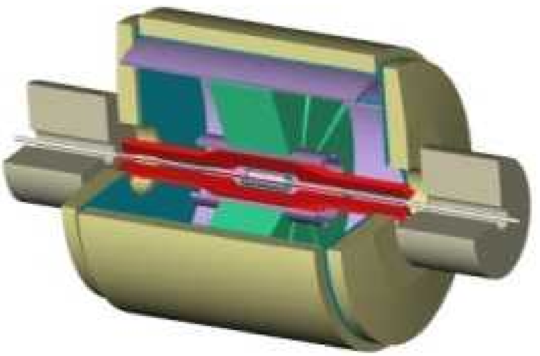
Physics feasibility study



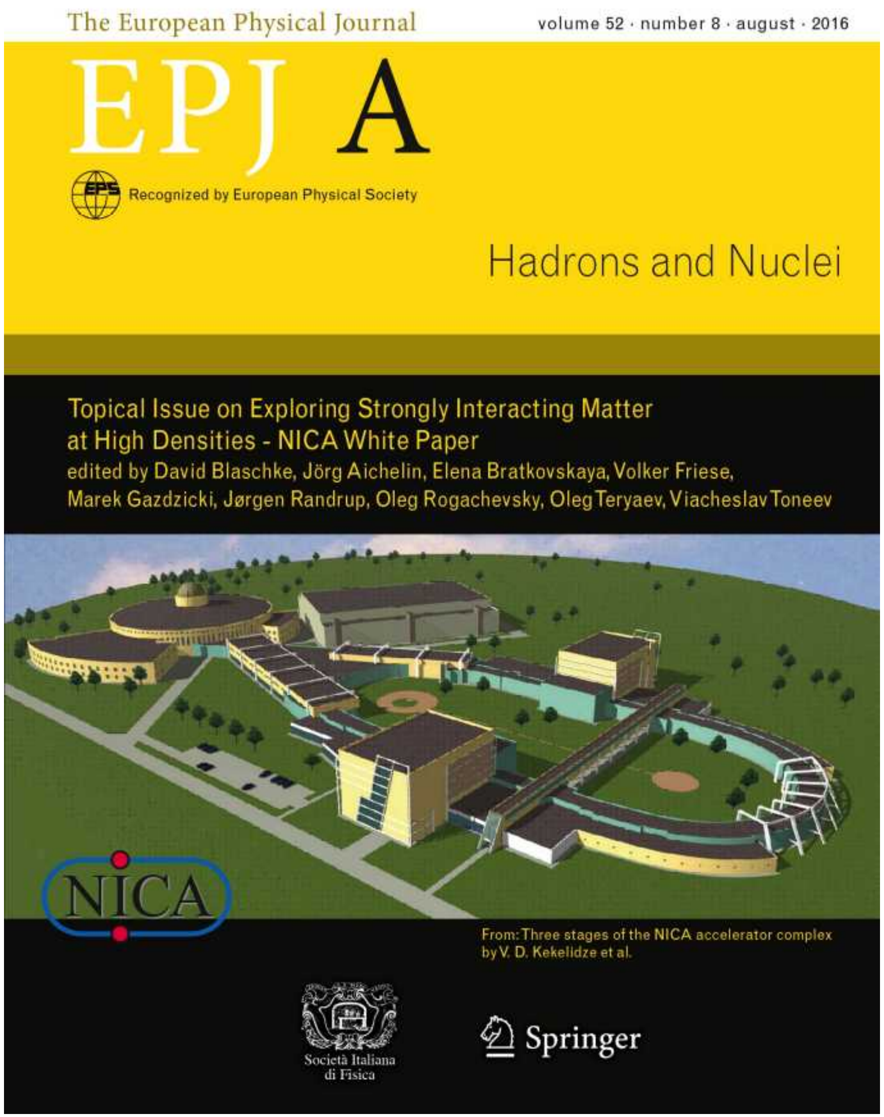
MPD



SPD



NICA White Paper



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FEASIBILITY STUDY OF HEAVY ION PHYSICS PROGRAM AT NICA

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There is strong experimental and theoretical evidence that in collisions of heavy ions at relativistic energies the nuclear matter undergoes a phase transition to the deconfined state — Quark–Gluon Plasma. The caused energy region of such a transition was not found at high energy at SPS and RHIC, and search for this energy is shifted to lower energies, which will be covered by the future NICA (Dubna), FAIR (Darmstadt) facilities and BES II at RHIC. Fixed target and collider experiments at the NICA facility will work in the energy range from a few AGeV up to $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 11$ GeV and will study the most interesting area on the nuclear matter phase diagram.

The most remarkable results were observed in the study of collective phenomena occurring in the early stage of nuclear collisions. Investigation of the collective flow will provide information on Equation of State (EoS) for nuclear matter. Study of the event-by-event fluctuations and correlations can give us signals of critical behavior of the system. Femtoscopy analysis provides the space-time history of the collisions. Also, it was found that baryon stopping power revealing itself as a "wiggle" in the excitation function of curvature of the (net) proton rapidity spectrum relates to the order of the phase transition.

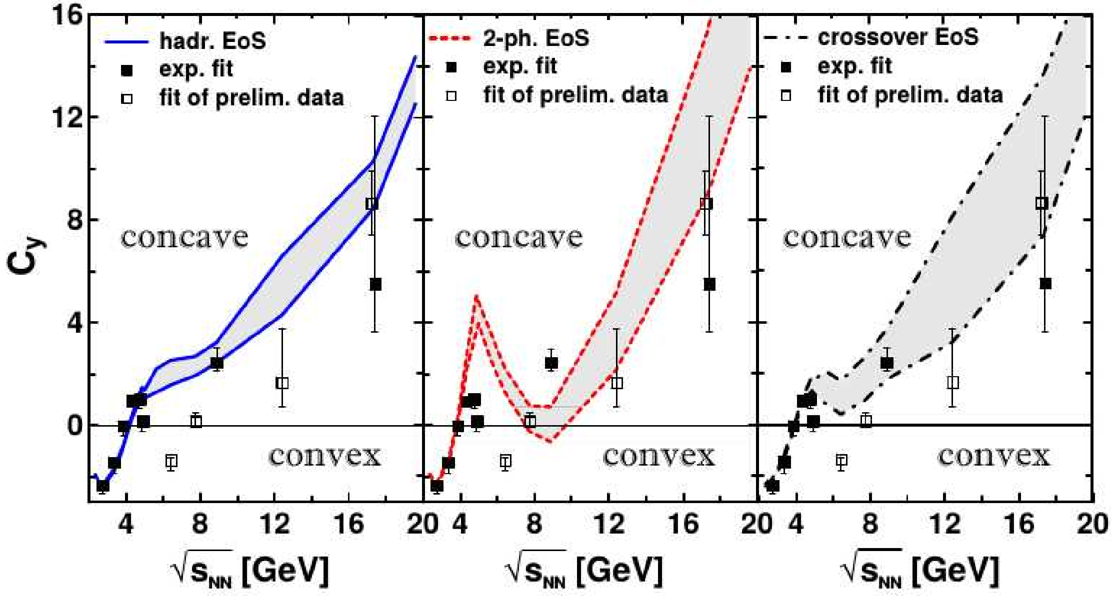
The available observations of an enhancement of dilepton rates at low invariant masses may serve as a signal of the chiral symmetry restoration in hot and dense matter. Due to this fact, measurements of the dilepton spectra are considered to be an important part of the NICA physics program. The study of strange particles and hypernuclei production gives additional information on the EoS and "strange" axis of the QCD phase diagram.

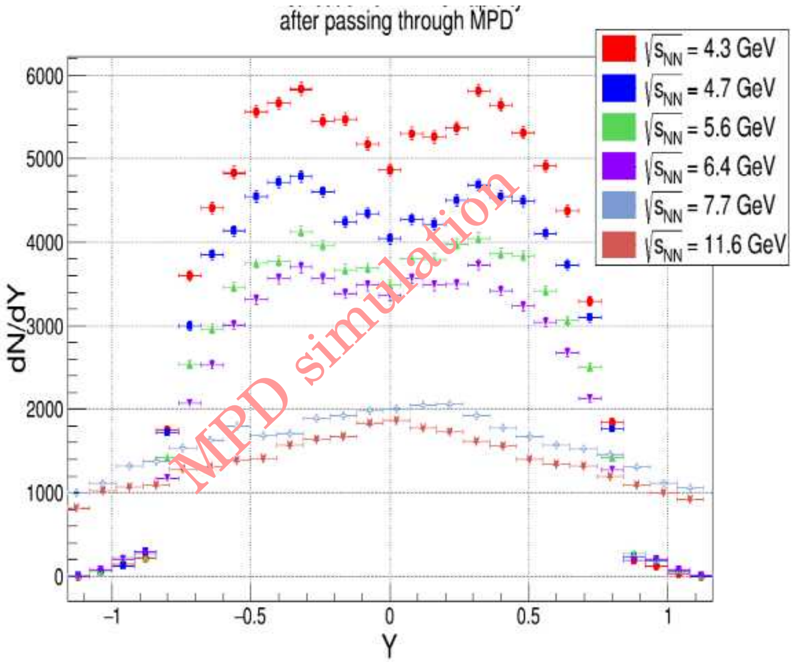
In this paper a feasibility of the considered investigations is shown by the detailed Monte Carlo simulations applied to the planned experiments (BM@N, MPD) at NICA.

Baryon stopping power

3FD

$$C_y = \left(y_{\mathrm{beam}}^3 \frac{d^3N}{dy^3} \right)_{y=0} \Big/ \left(y_{\mathrm{beam}} \frac{dN}{dy} \right)_{y=0} = (y_{\mathrm{beam}}/w_s)^2 \left(\sinh^2 y_s - w_s \cosh y_s \right)$$



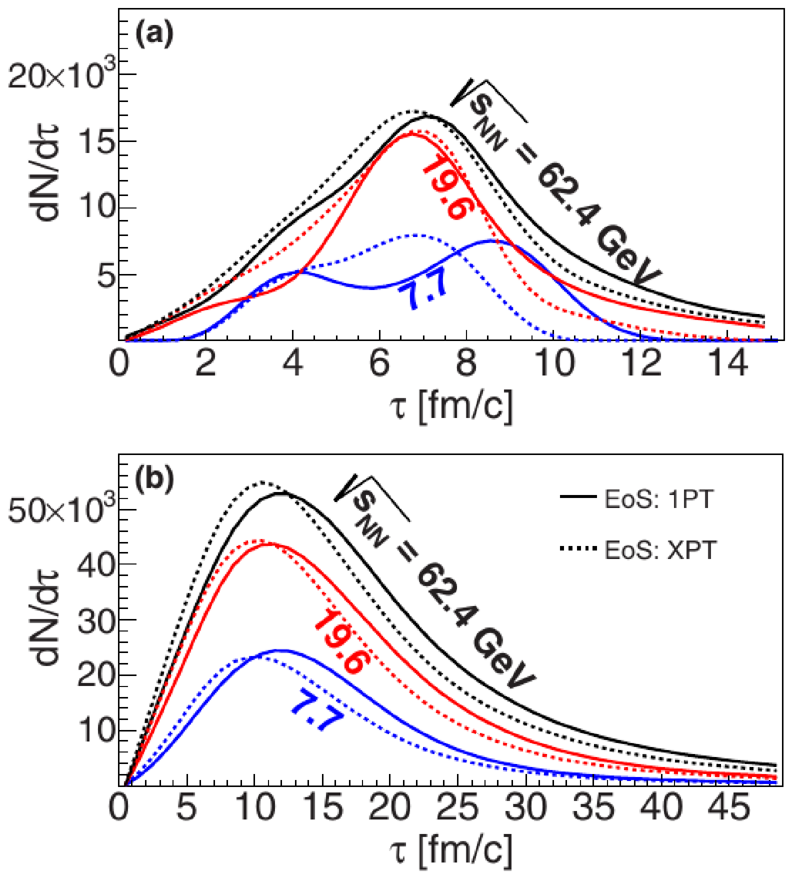


Yu.B. Ivanov, PL B721 (2013) 123
arXiv:1211.2579

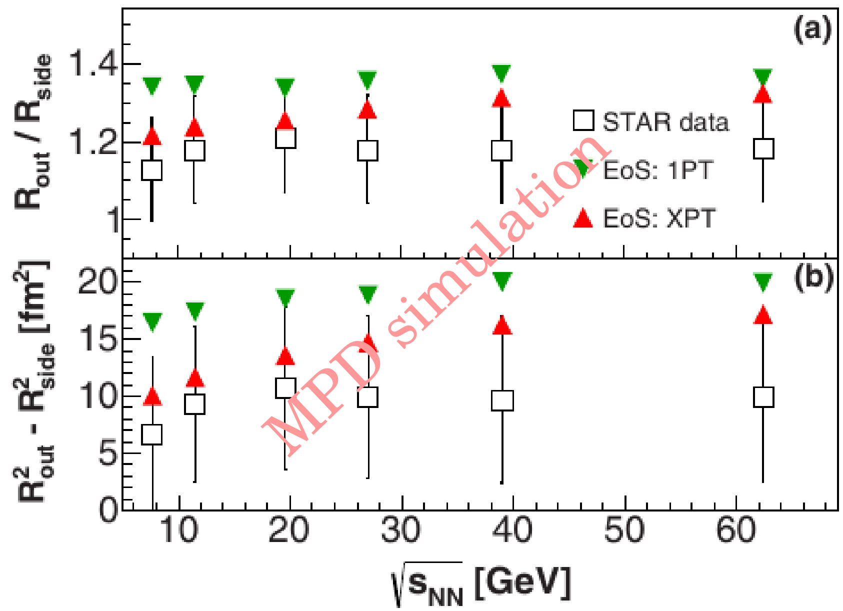
Femtoscopy for NICA

PHYSICAL REVIEW C 96, 024911 (2017)

vHLLE + UrQMD model

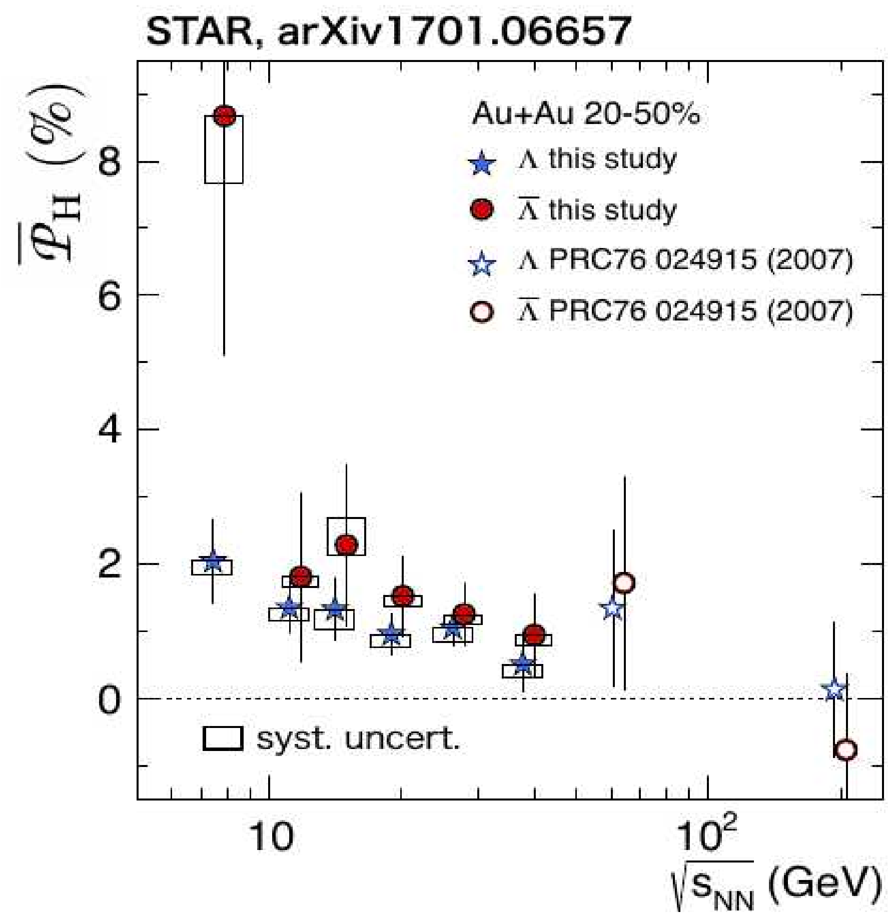


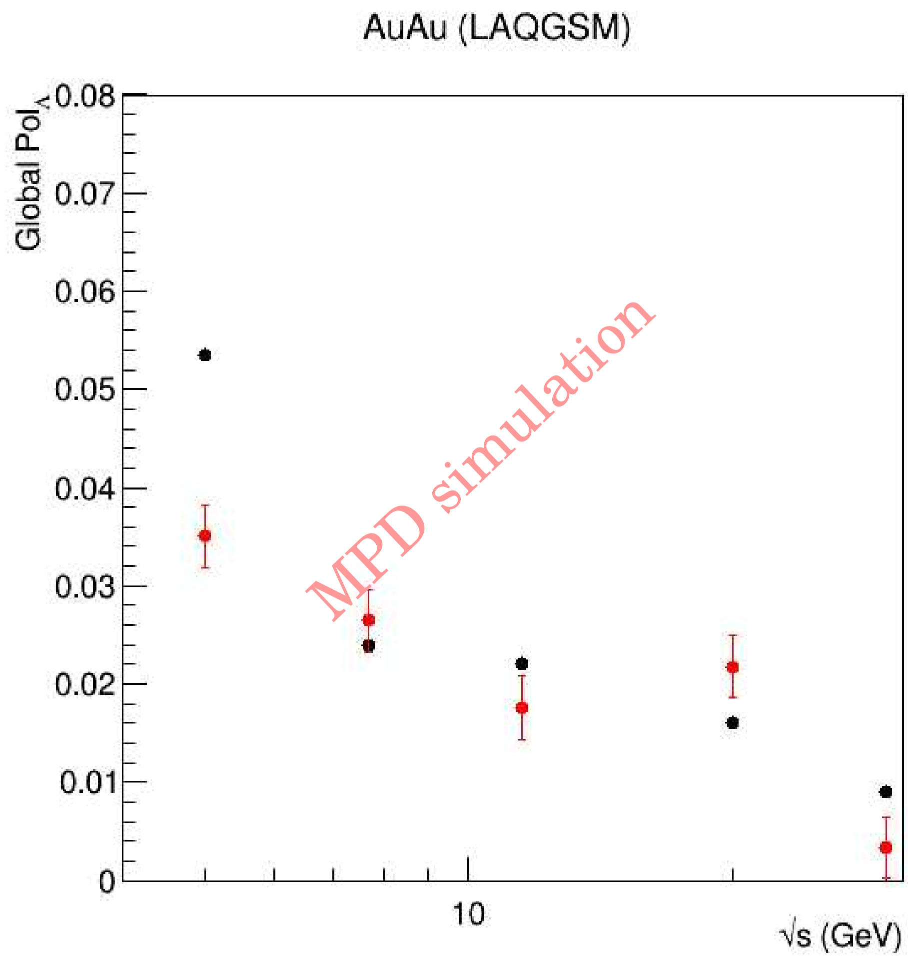
Pion emission times at the particlization surface (a) and the last interactions (b) in the center-of-mass system of colliding gold nuclei at different values of $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$.



Ratio of the out and side radii (a) and difference of the radii squared (b) as a function of $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ derived from the STAR data ($0.15 < kT < 0.25$ GeV/c, 0–5% centrality) and compared with the model calculations using the two EoSs.

global Λ polarization for MPD





QCD Phase diagram

Grazyna Odyniec JoP 455 (2013) 012037

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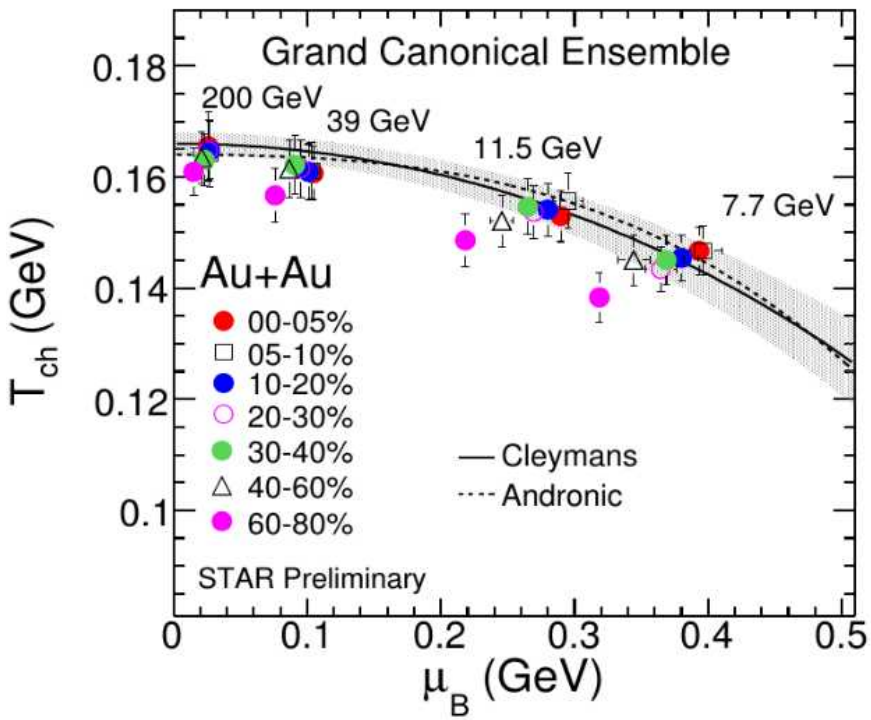

The dependence of T_{ch} on μ_B , fitted with the Grand Canonical approach in THERMUS Model

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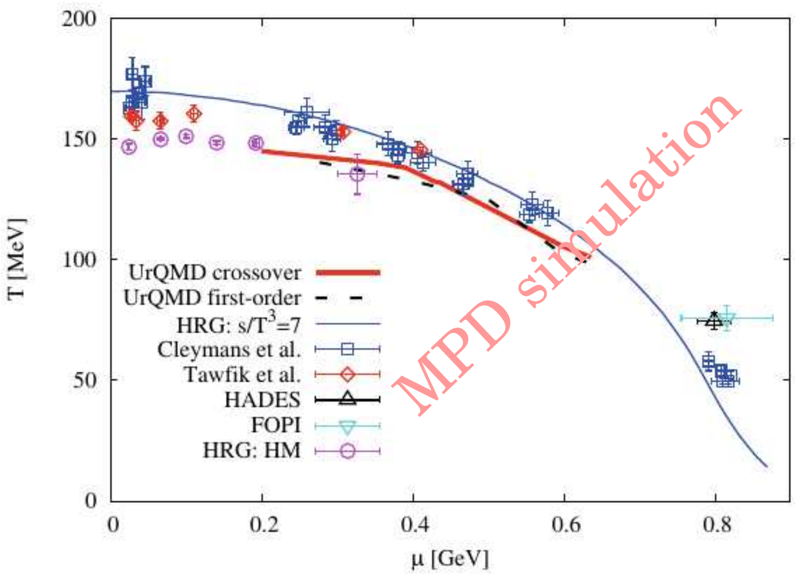
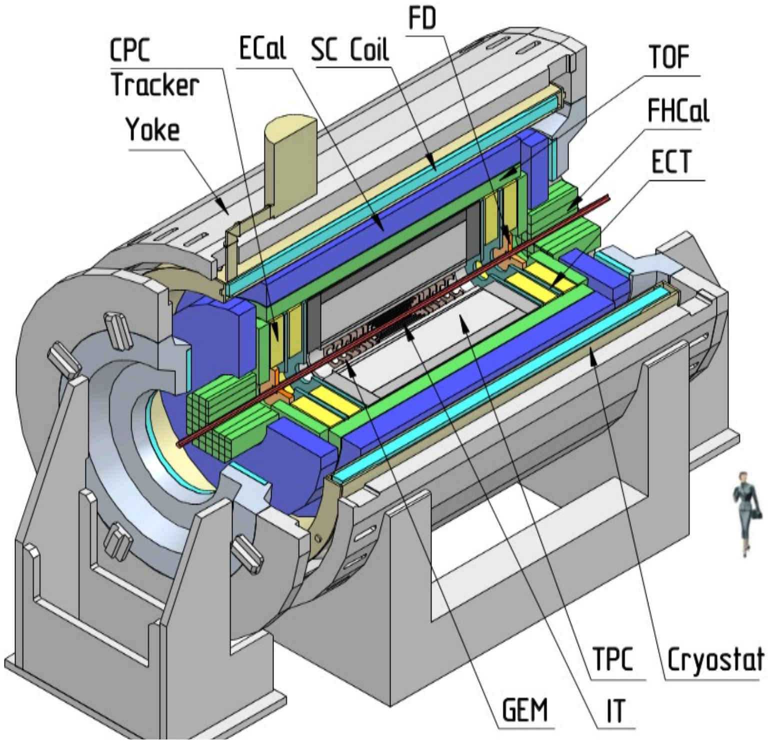
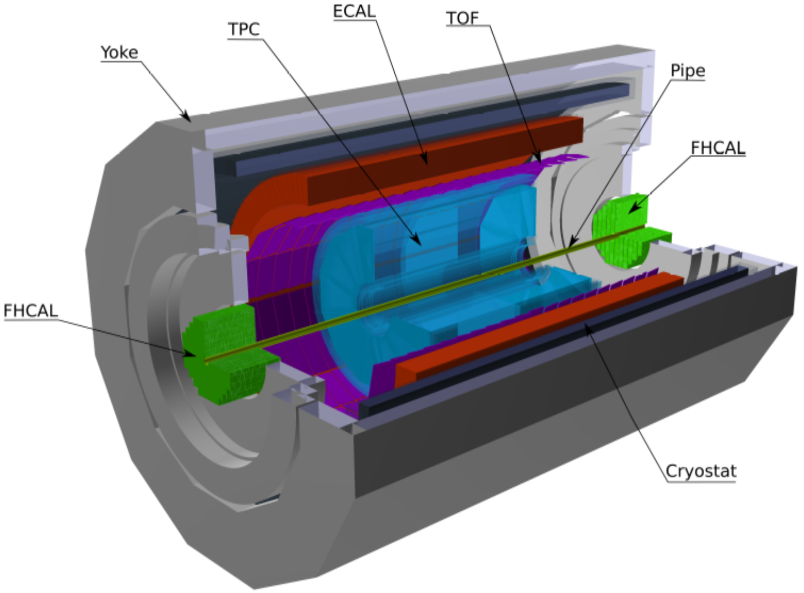
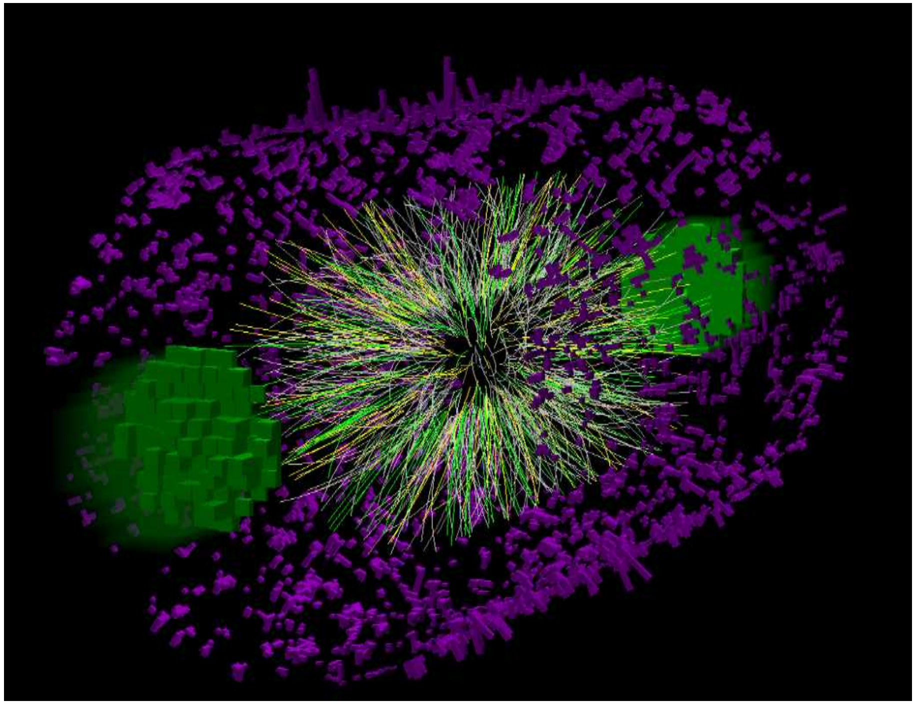


MPD experiment at NICA



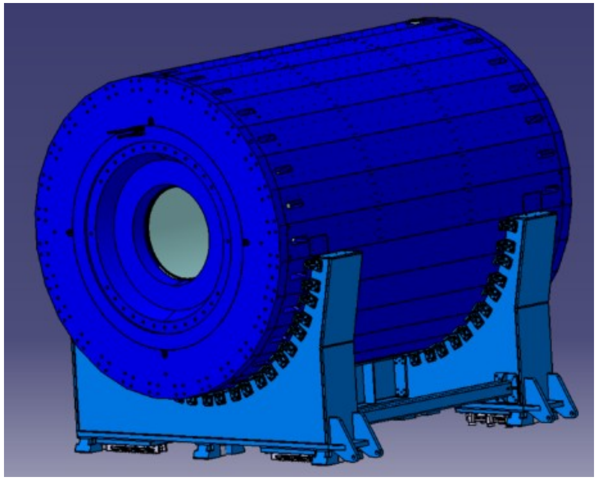


AuAu $\sqrt{s}$ = 11 GeV



MPD solenoid yoke

VHM, Vitkovice, Czech republic

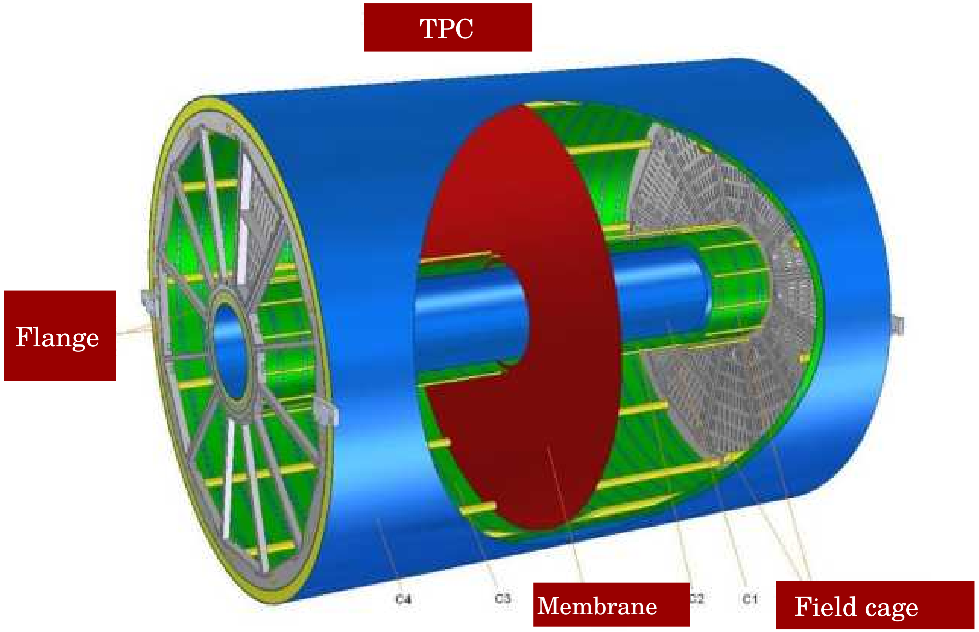


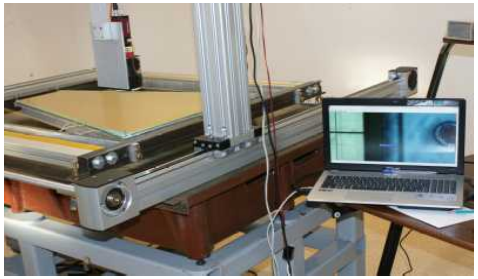
- **Iron Yoke**

Outer diameter	6583 mm
Length	9010 mm
Dist. In between poles	7390 mm
Weight	727 ton

28 plates 16 T each
2 support rings 42.5 T each
2 poles 50 T each

MPD Time Projection Chamber

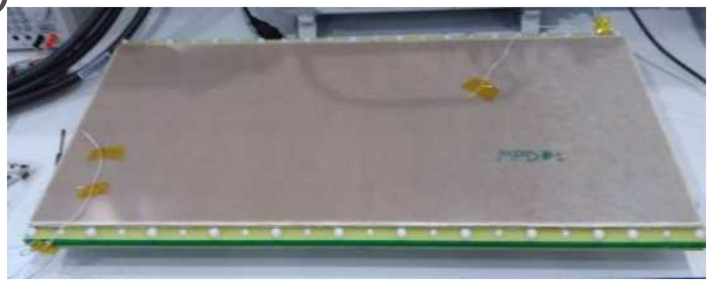


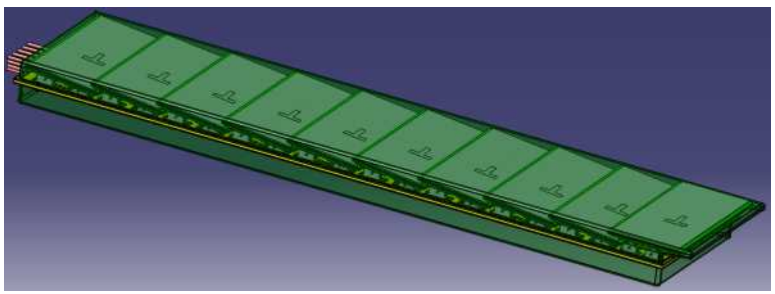


Item	Dimension
Length of the TPC	340cm
Outer radius of vessel	140cm
Inner radius of vessel	27 cm
Outer radius of the drift volume	133cm
Inner radius of the drift volume	34cm
Length of the drift volume	170cm (of each half)
HV electrode	Membrane at the center of the TPC
Electric field strength	~140V/cm;
Magnetic field strength	0.5 Tesla
Drift gas	90% Ar+10% Methane, Atmospheric pres. + 2 mbar
Gas amplification factor	~ 10^4
Drift velocity	5.45 cm/μs;
Drift time	< 30μs;
Temperature stability	< 0.5°C
Number of readout chambers	24 (12 per each end-plate)
Segmentation in φ	30°
Pad size	$5x12mm^2$ and $5x18mm^2$
Number of pads	95232
Pad raw numbers	53
Pad numbers after zero suppression	< 10%
Maximal event rate	< 7 kHz (Lum. 10^{27})
Electronics shaping time	~180 ns (FWHM)
Signal-to-noise ratio	30:1
Signal dynamical range	10 bits
Sampling rate	10 MHz
Sampling depth	310 time buckets

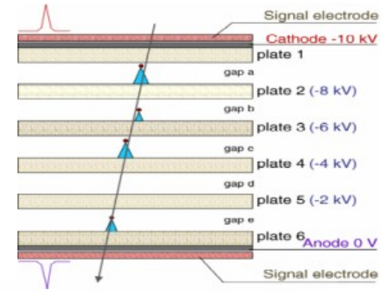
Time Of Flight detector

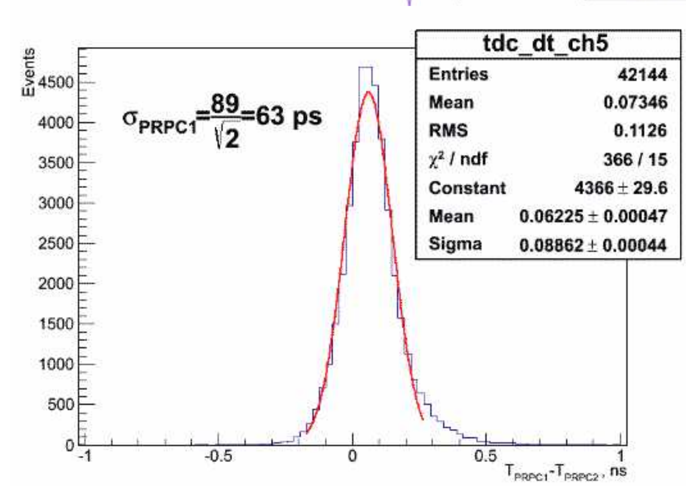
mRPC prototype with a strip





multigap resistive plate chamber



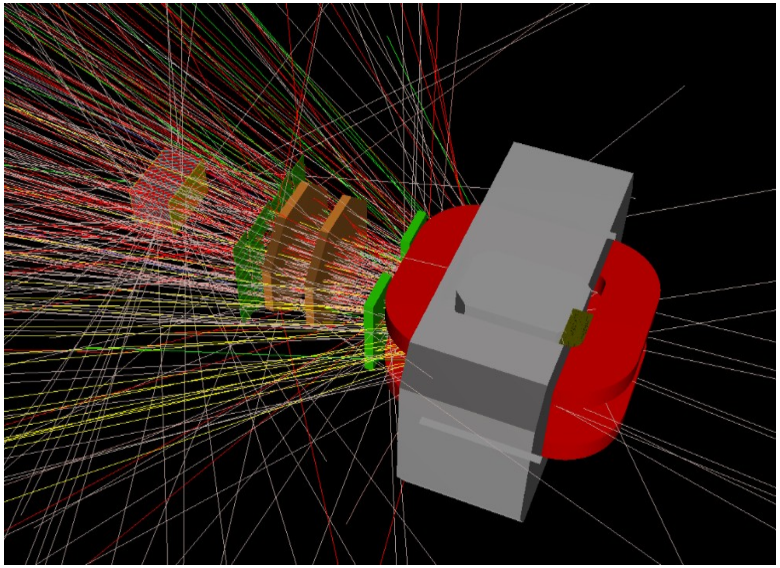


(T1 - T2) for two mRPCs

Full scale mRPC prototype with a strip

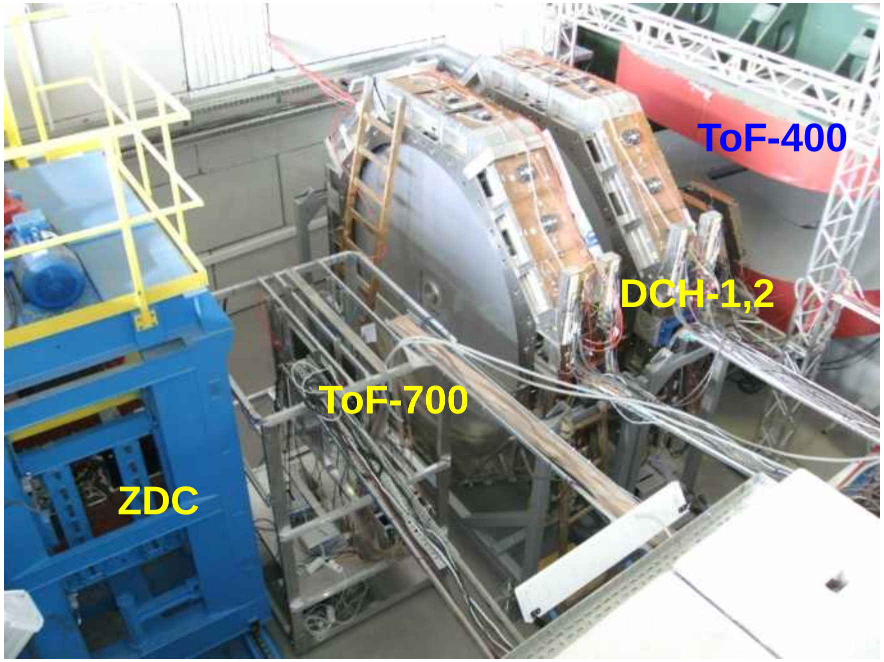
BM@N experiment at NICA

AuAu $E_{beam} = 4$ GeV



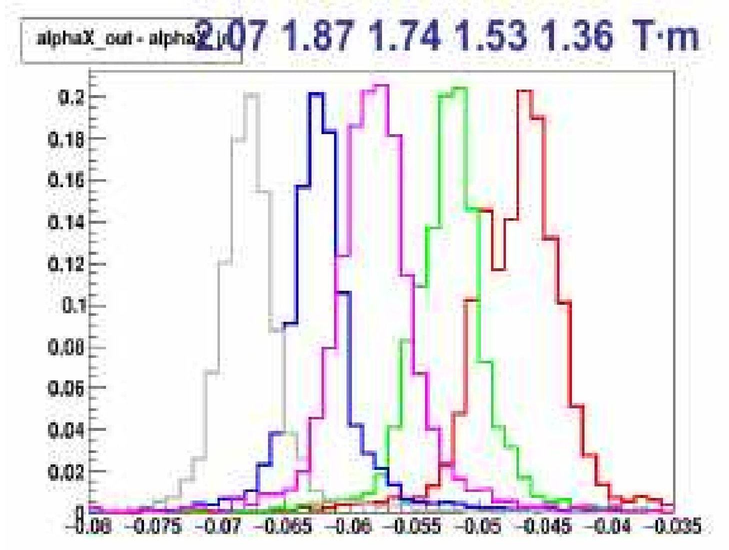
year	2016	2017 spring	2017 autumn	2019	2020 and later
beam	d(↑)	C, Ar	Kr	Au	Au, p
max.intensity, Hz	1M	1M	1M	1M	10M
trigger rate, Hz	10k	10k	20k	20k	50k
central tracker status	6 GEM half pl.	8 GEM half pl.	10 GEM half pl.	8 GEM full pl.	12 GEMs or 8 GEMs + Si planes
experim. status	techn. run	techn. run	physics run	stage 1 physics	stage 2 physics

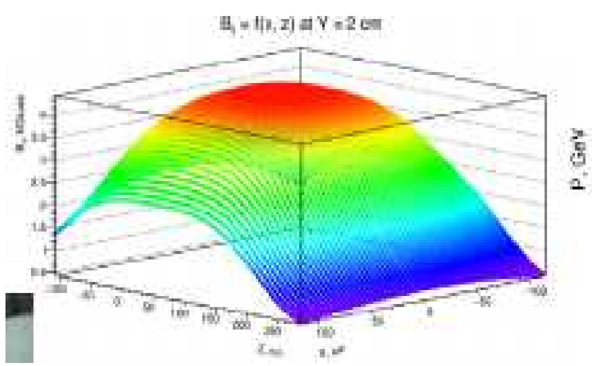
BM@N experiment at NICA

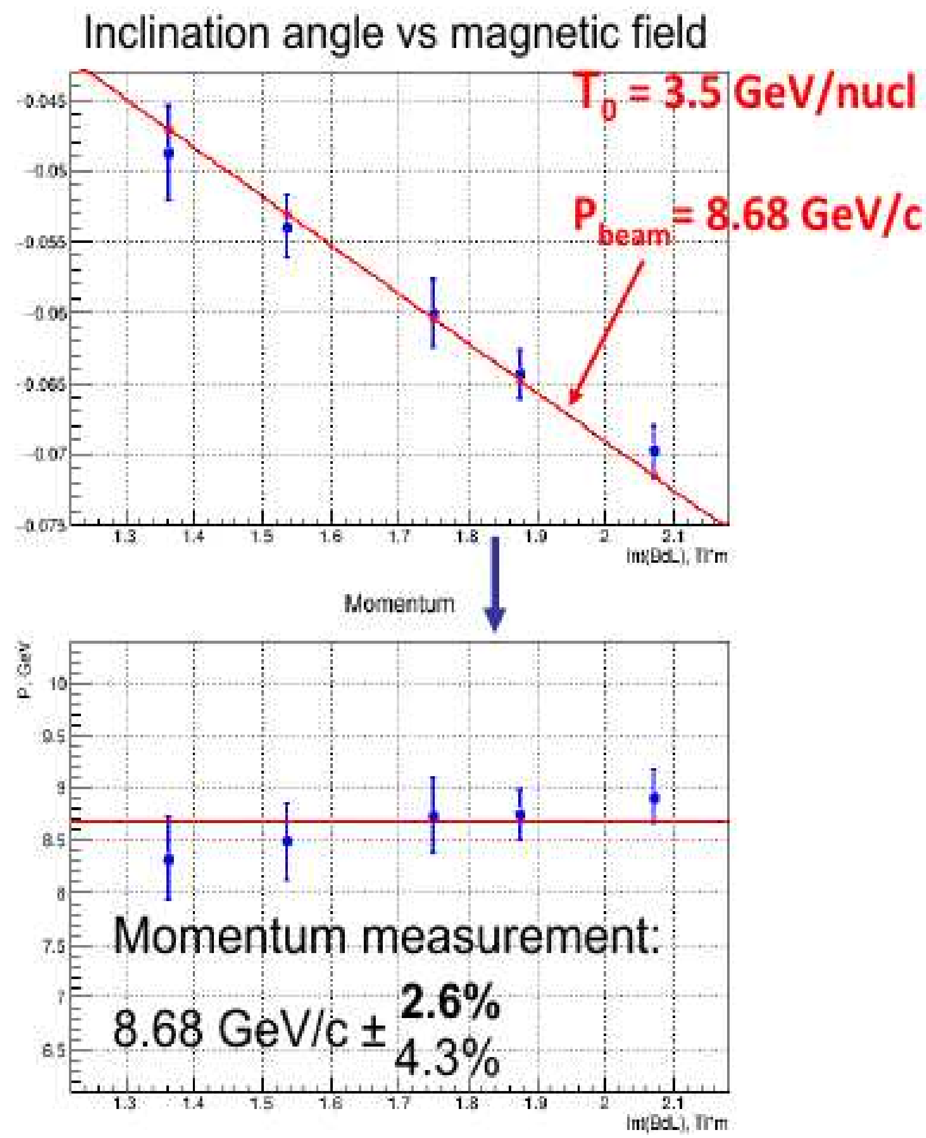


Deutron tracks and momentum reconstruction with BM@N Drift Chambers

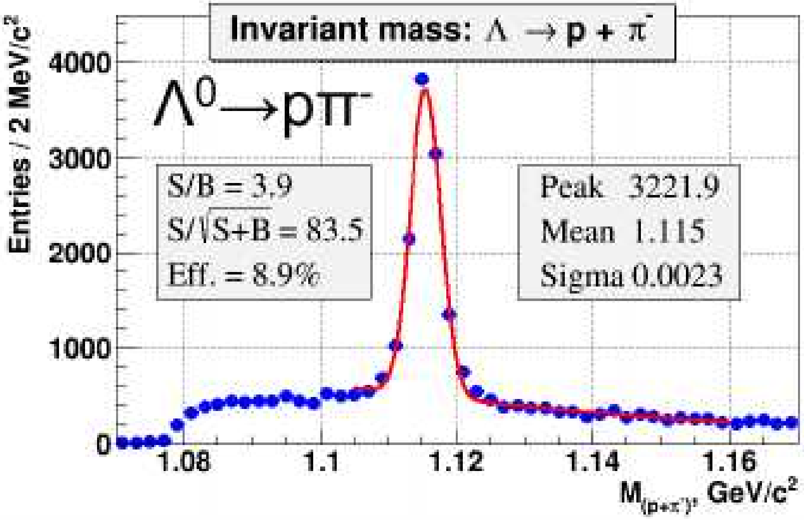
Deutron beam inclination at different values of magnetic field



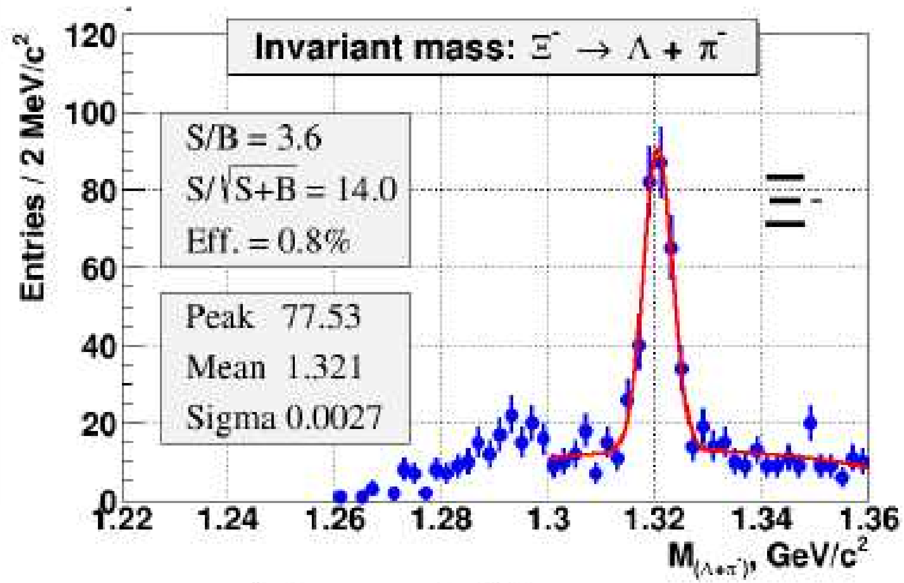




BM@N physics



Au+Au, 4.5 AGeV, UrQMD, 900k central



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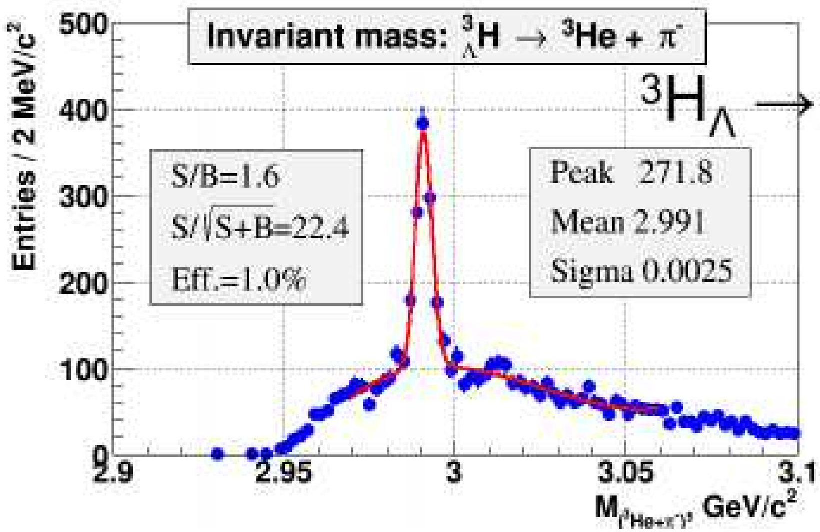
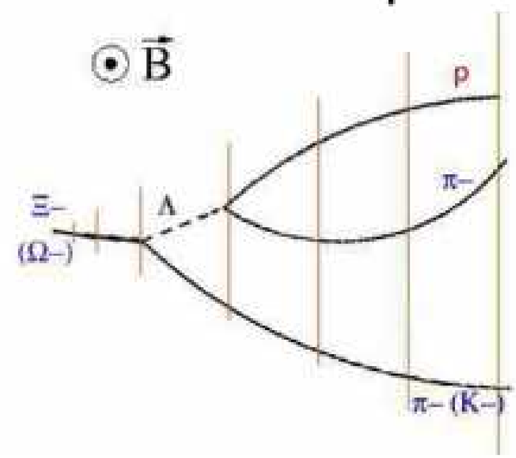
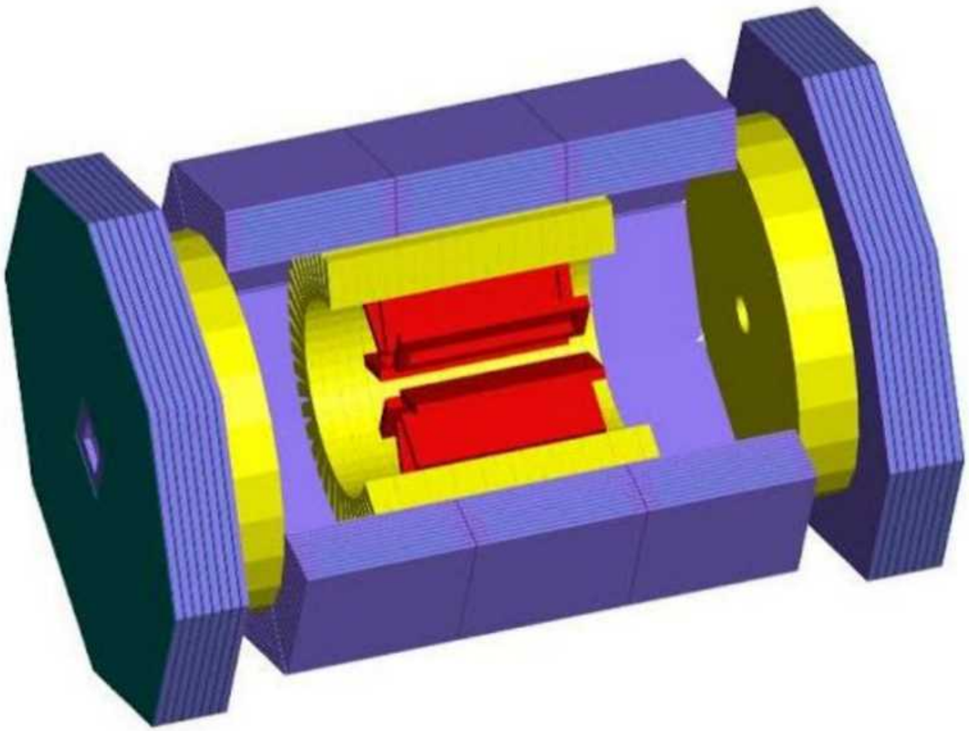


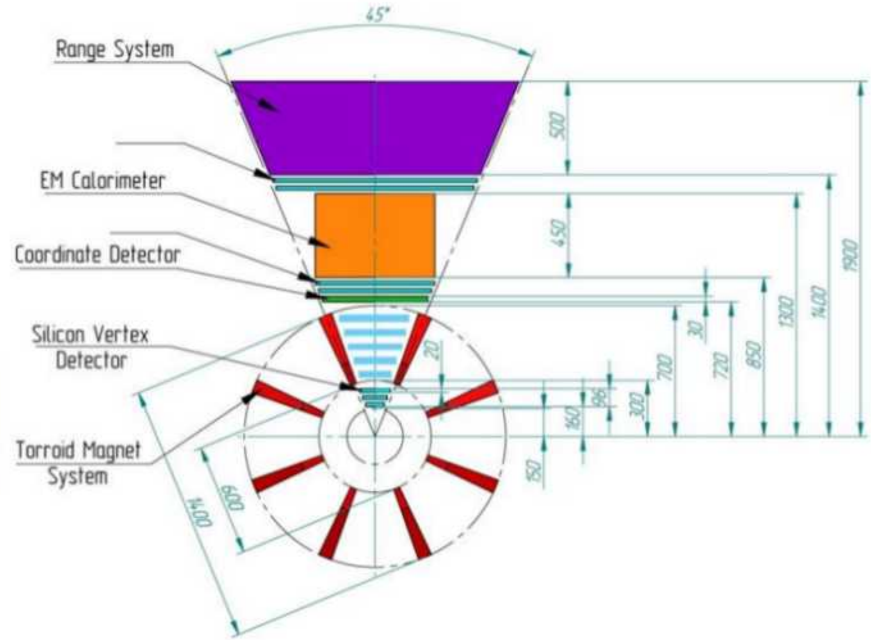
$^3H_\Lambda \rightarrow {}^3He\ \pi^-$

$\Xi^- \rightarrow \pi^- + \Lambda^0 \rightarrow p\pi^-$



Spin Physics Detector





Spin program with polarized beams

The spin program is an important and integral part of the NICA project. Indeed, ever since the "spin crisis" of 1987, the composition of the nucleon spin in terms of the fundamental constituents – quarks and gluons – remains in the focus of attention of many physicists. The highlights of the NICA spin program include measurements of Drell-Yan processes with longitudinally polarized proton and deuteron beams, spin effects in inclusive and exclusive production of baryons, light and heavy mesons and direct photons, and studies of helicity amplitudes and double spin asymmetries in elastic scattering. The SPD detector at NICA would allow to contribute significantly to the current and planned international program in spin physics.

SPD Letter of Intent

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Nec sine te, nec tecum vivere possum. (Ovid)*

Spin Physics Experiments at NICA-SPD with polarized proton and deuteron beams.

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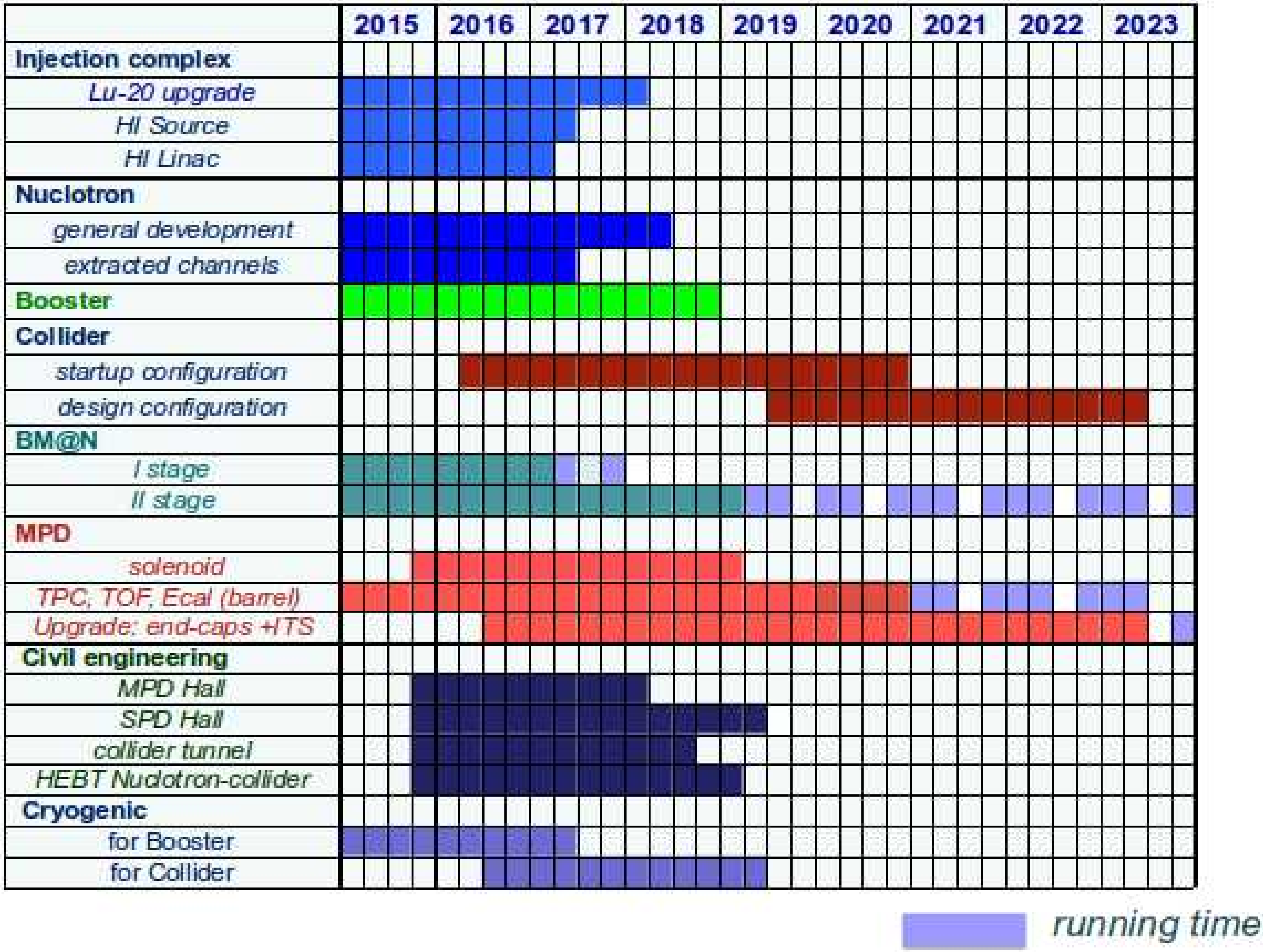
ABSTRACT
We propose to perform measurements of asymmetries of the DY pair's production in collisions of non-polarized, longitudinally and transversally polarized protons and deuterons which provide an access to all leading twist collinear and TMD PDFs of quarks and anti-quarks in nucleons. The measurements of asymmetries in production of J/Ψ and direct photons will be performed as well simultaneously with DY using dedicated triggers. The set of these measurements will supply complete information for tests of the quark-parton model of nucleons at the QCD twist-two level with minimal systematic errors.

NICA Site

NICA Schedule

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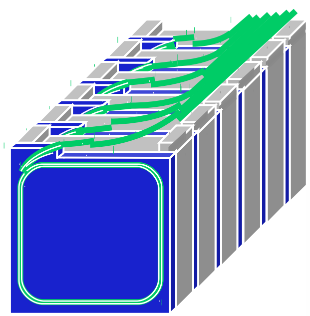
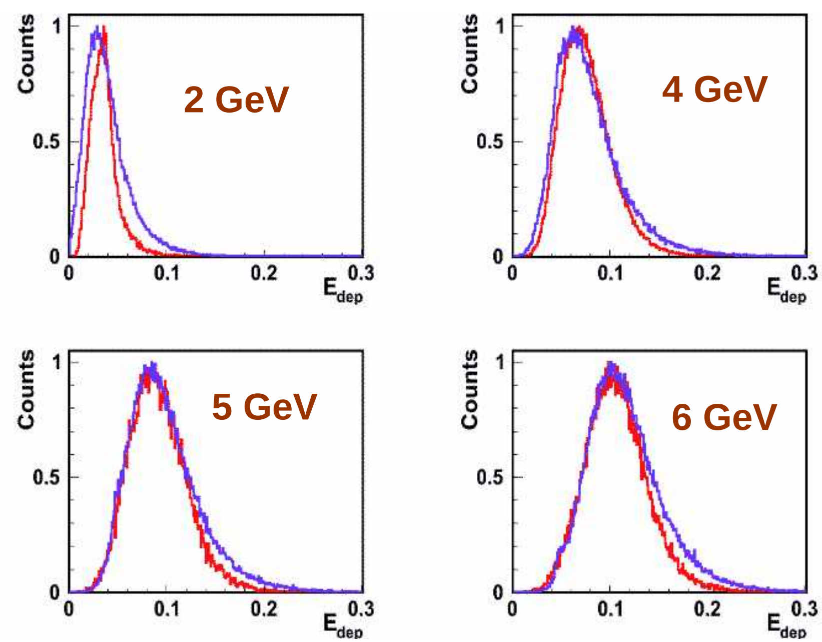
Forward Hadron Calorimeter

NA61, CBM, MPD

Module assembling at INR

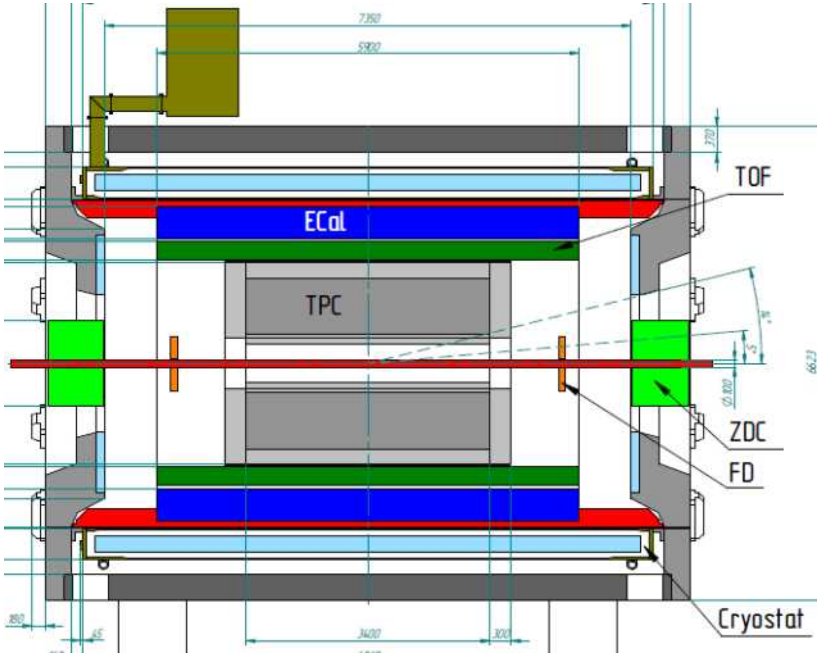


Beam test at *CERN*

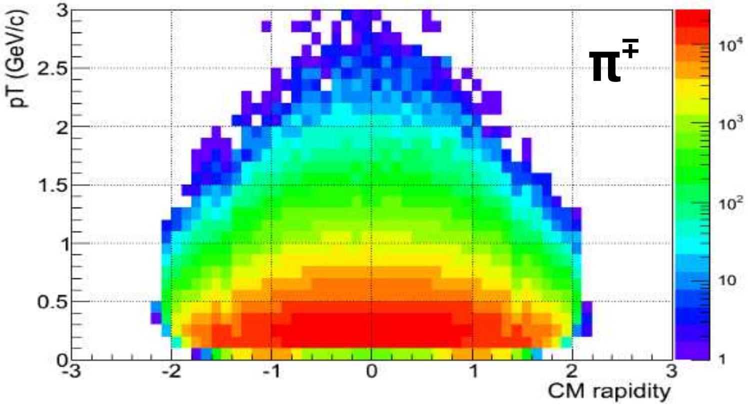


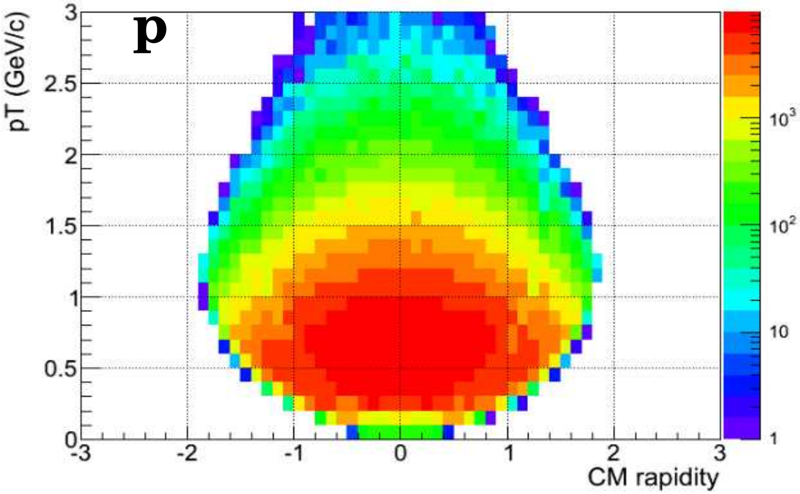
Transverse size 15x15 cm^2, length~160 cm, weight ~120 kg.
60 lead/scintillator sandwiches.
6 fiber/MAPD
10 MAPDs/module

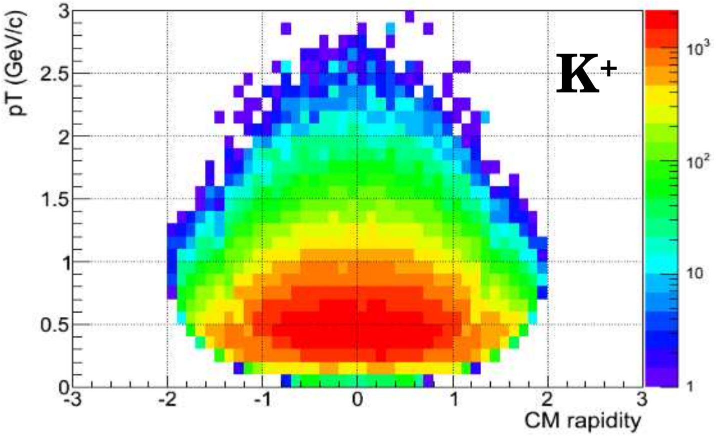
Phase space



MPD registers on average :
~380 charged pions
~85 protons
~30 K+
in an event
(central Au+Au at 8 GeV)







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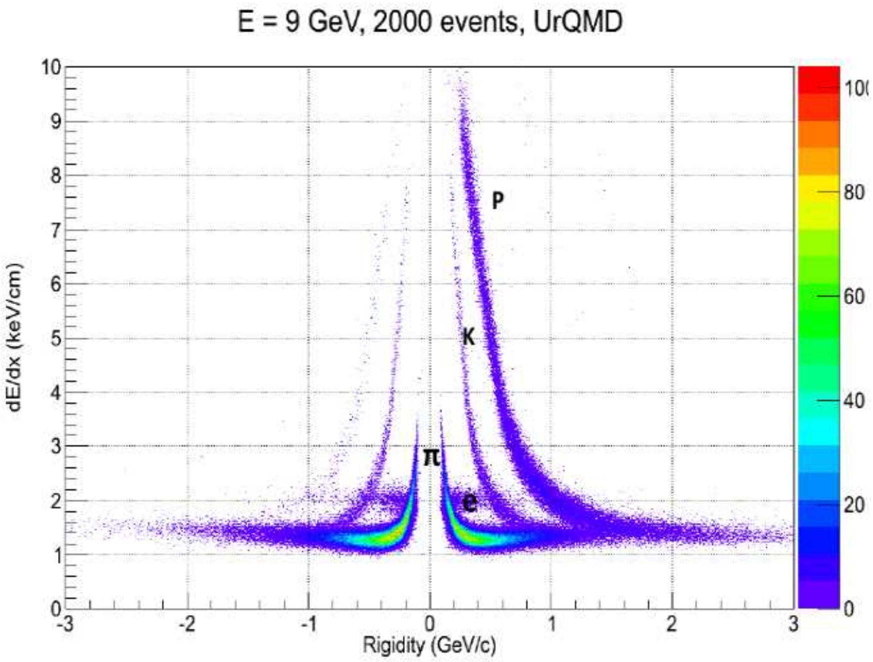
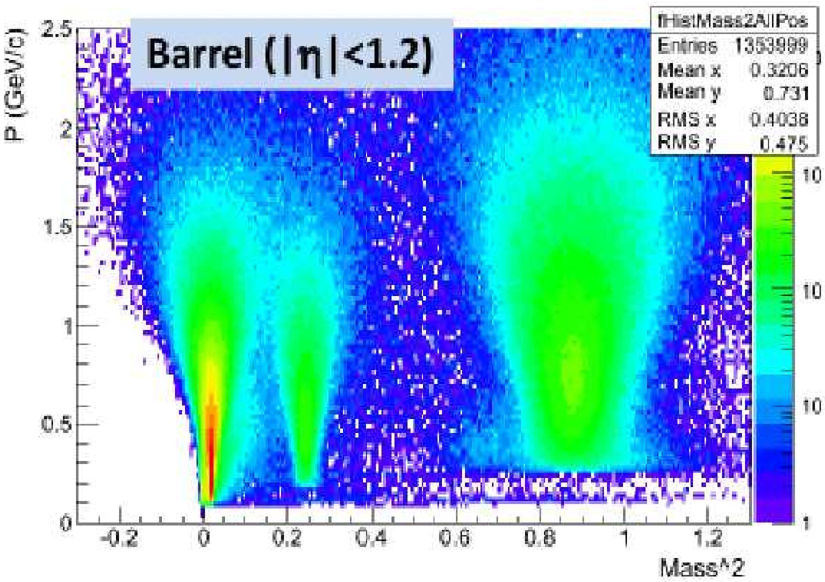
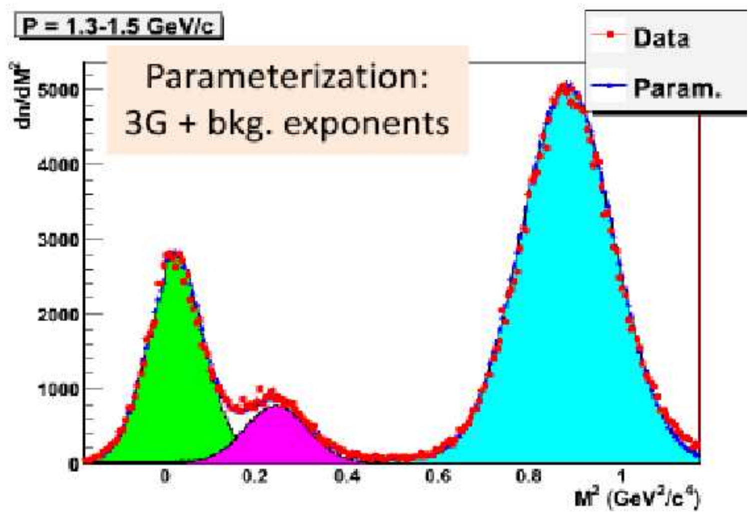


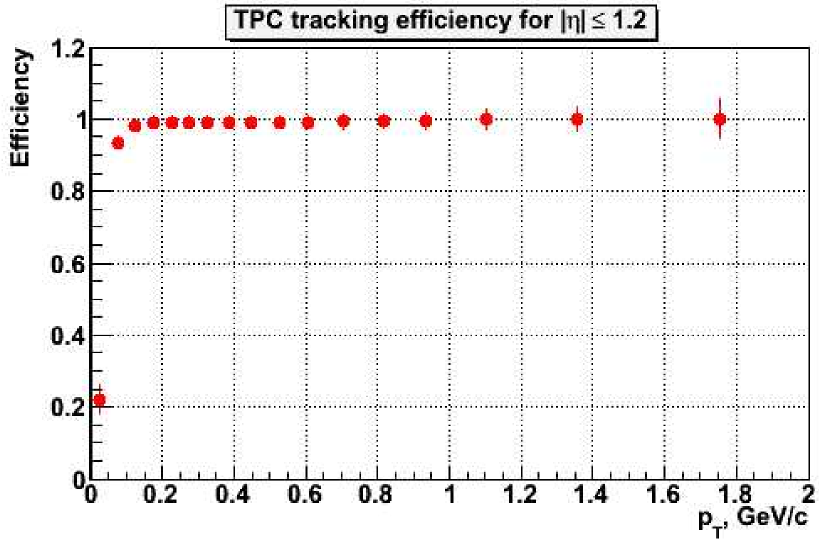
TPC
PID: Ionization loss (dE/dx) Separation:
e/h – 1.3..3 GeV/c
π/K – 0.1..0.6 GeV/c
K/p – 0.1..1.2 GeV/c

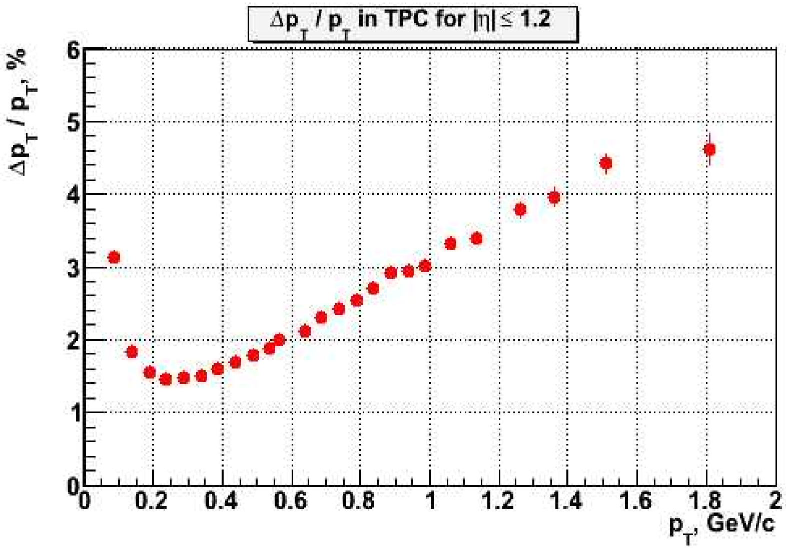
MPD PID (TOF):
- π/K separation up to p=1.7 GeV/c, above 2 GeV/c - extrapolating the fitted 3G parameters
- Protons up to 3 GeV/c
- dE/dx provide extra PID capability for electrons and low momentum hadrons





Tracking





Low-p cutoff ~ **100 MeV** for a **0.5 T** magnetic field