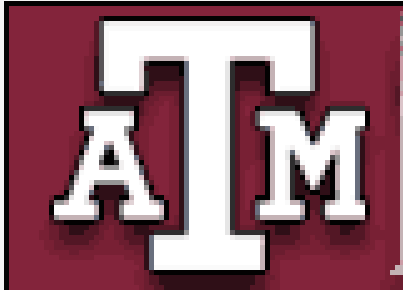


Theory Highlights* of Quark Matter 2004

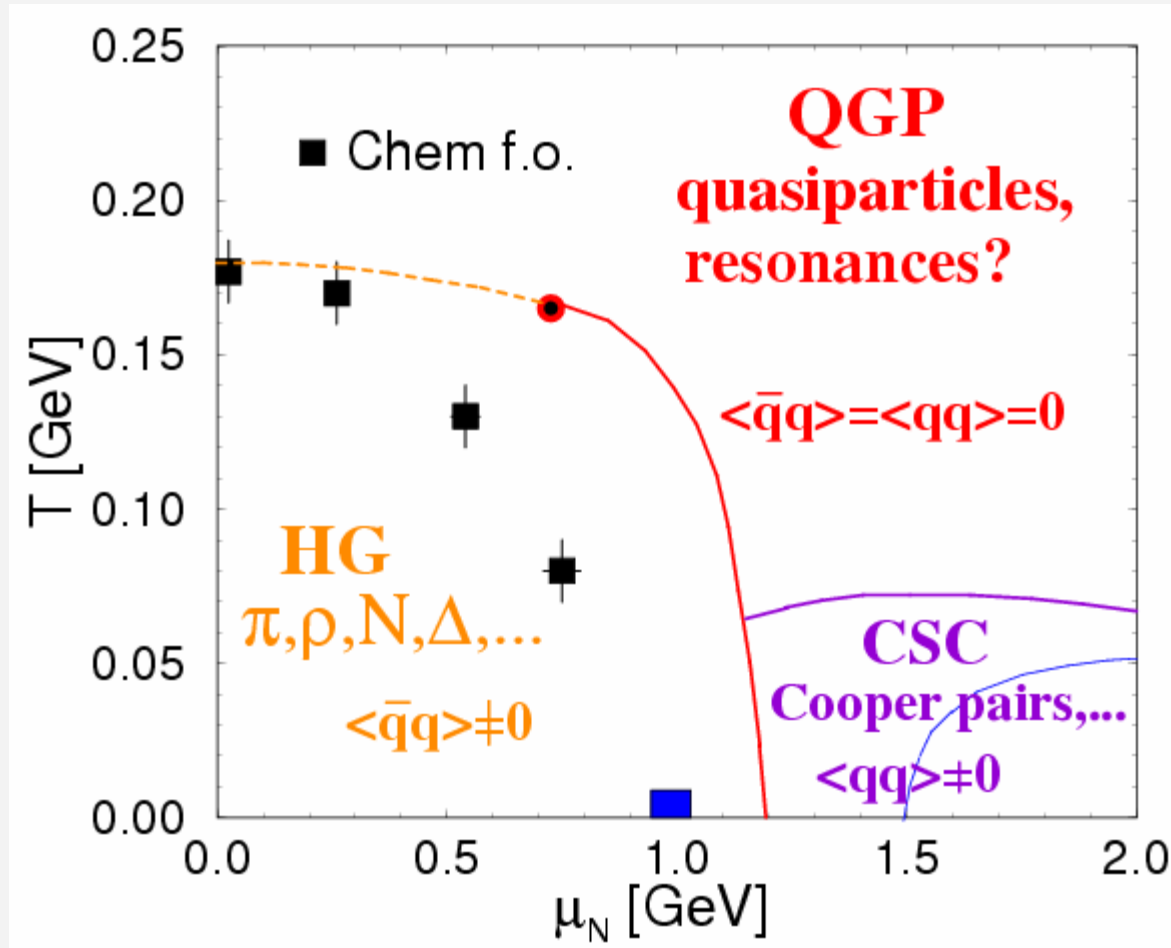


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1. Introduction: Exploring the Phase Diagram



- Bulk Properties: Equation of State
- Phase Transitions: (Pseudo-) Order Parameters
- Microscopic Properties: Spectral Functions

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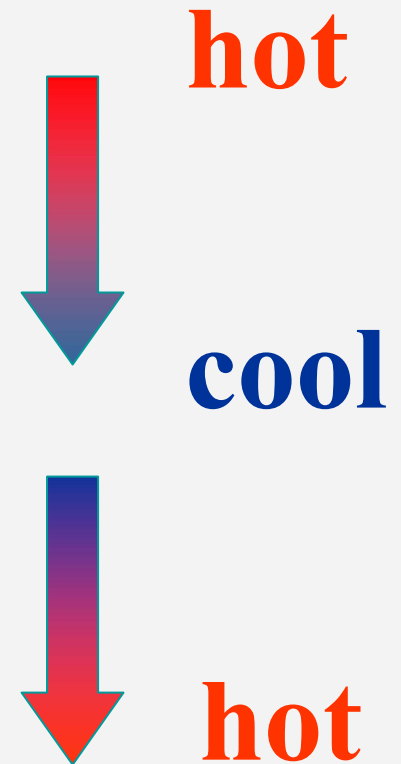
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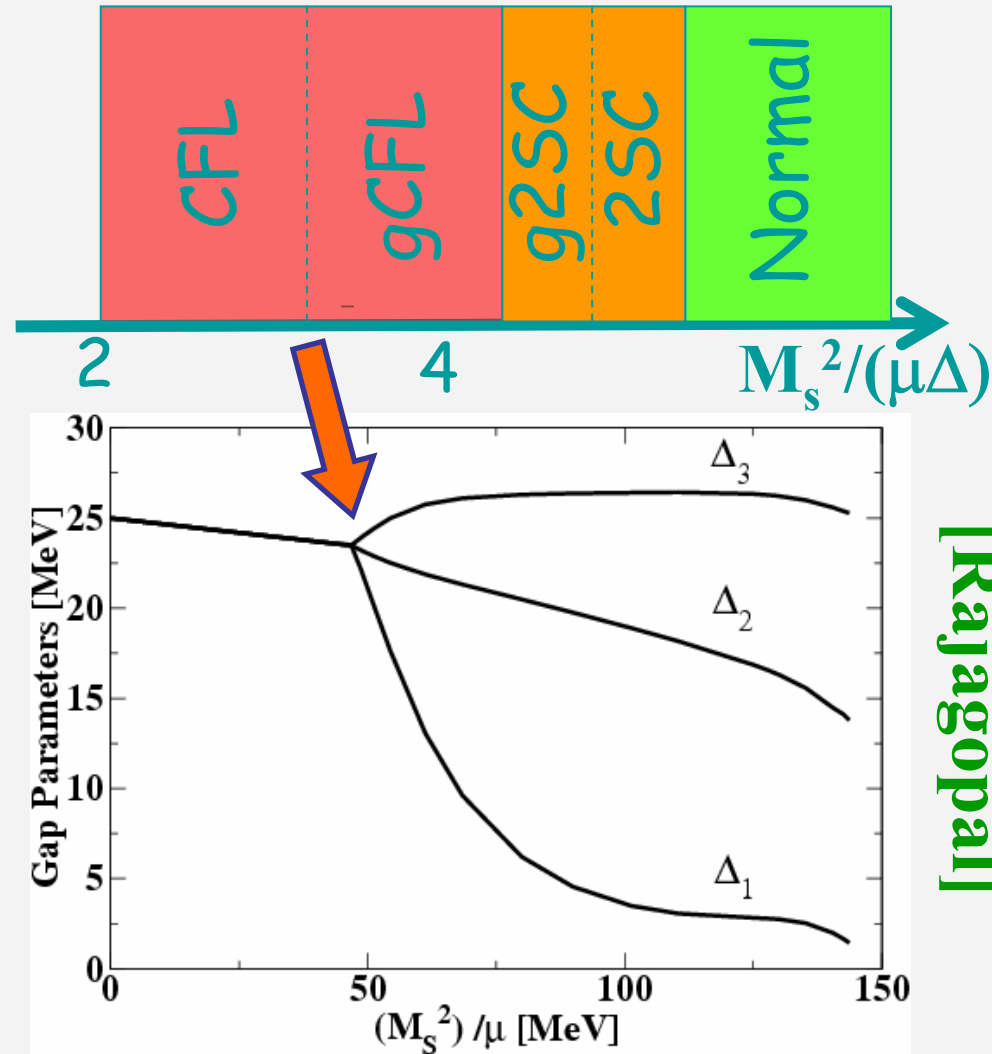
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5.) Conclusions



2.1 Color superconductivity and Compact Stars

color+charge neutral u, d, s, e^- matter $\rightarrow M_s$ key parameter



[Rajagopal]

Star Observables [Reddy]

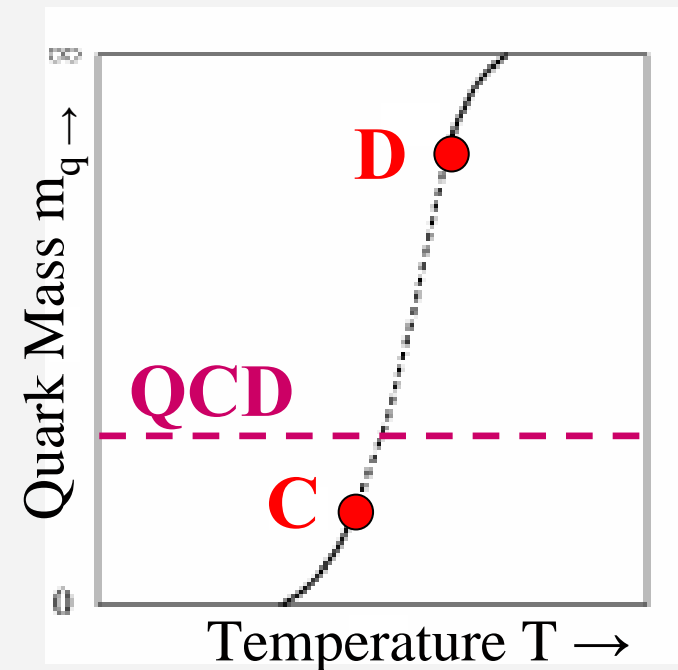
- bulk:
 $R \leq 8 \text{ km}$ favors quark EoS
- probes:
 - in-medium \mathbf{v} -propagation
 - grav. wave signal from binary mergers [Prakash]

M_s -asym \Rightarrow 1 d - s pair gapless

2.2 Confinement vs. Chiral Symmetry Breaking

Order Parameters:

- Chiral Symmetry ($m_q \rightarrow 0$): $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle$ (quark condensate)
- Deconfinement ($m_q \rightarrow \infty$): $\langle L \rangle$ (Polyakov loop)



at **C**: $m_\sigma \rightarrow 0$

at **D**: $m_G \rightarrow 0$

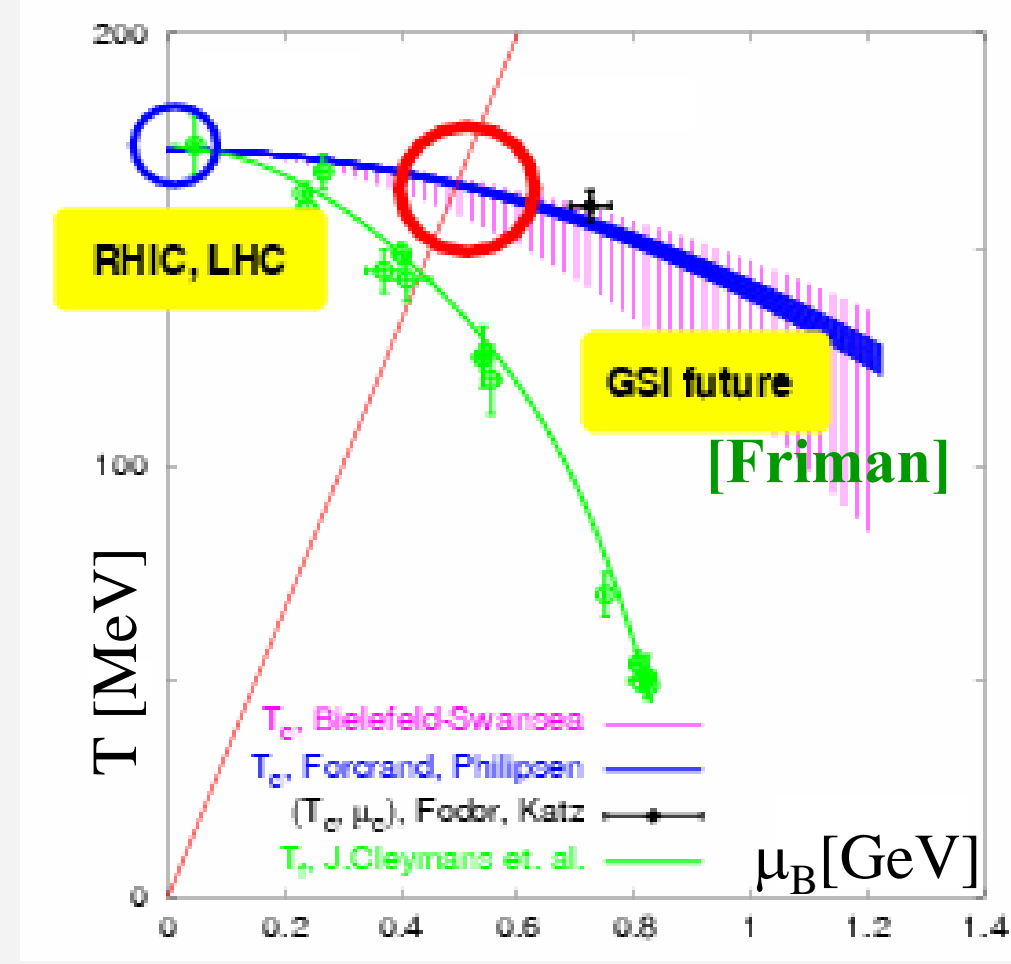
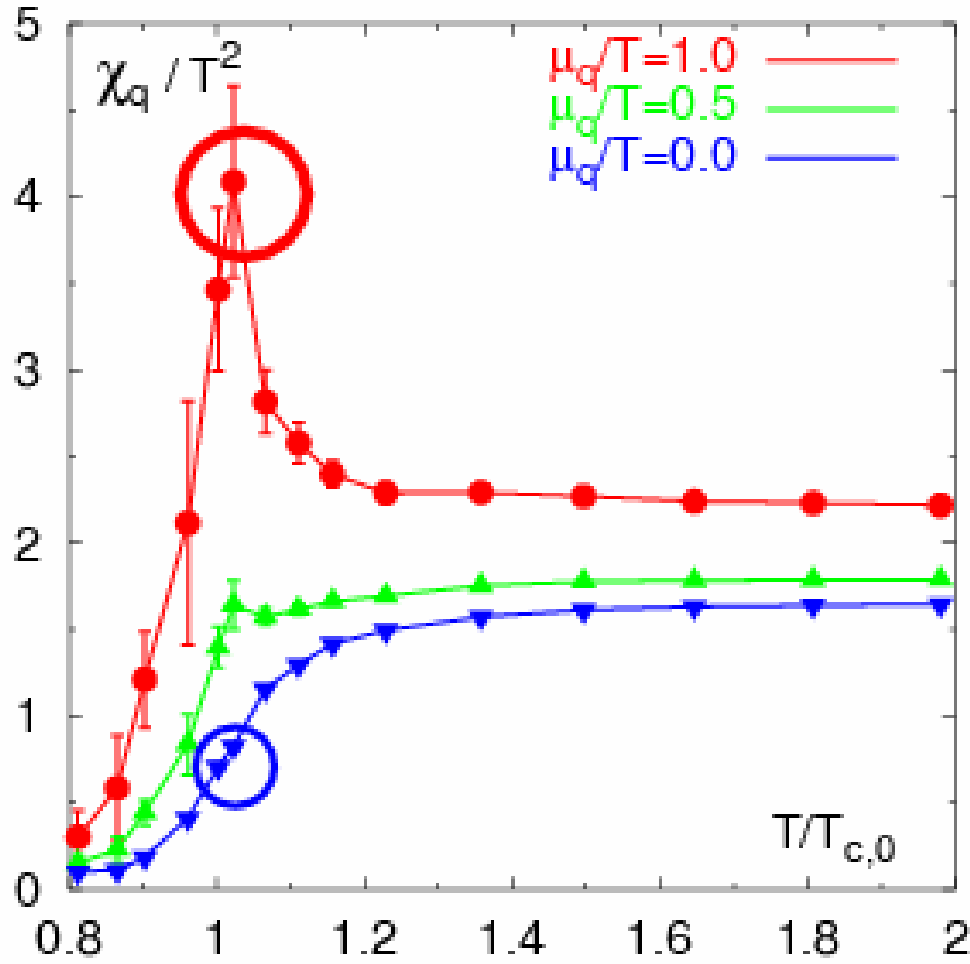
} **Mixing of σ -Meson**
and **0^{++} Glueball**
connects $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle$ and $\langle L \rangle$

[Fukushima]

[Mocsy]: loop effects entangle $\langle L \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle$

2.3 QCD Lattice for GSI: The Critical Point

Quark Number Susceptibility at $\mu_q \geq 0$ [Karsch, Redlich, Ejiri]



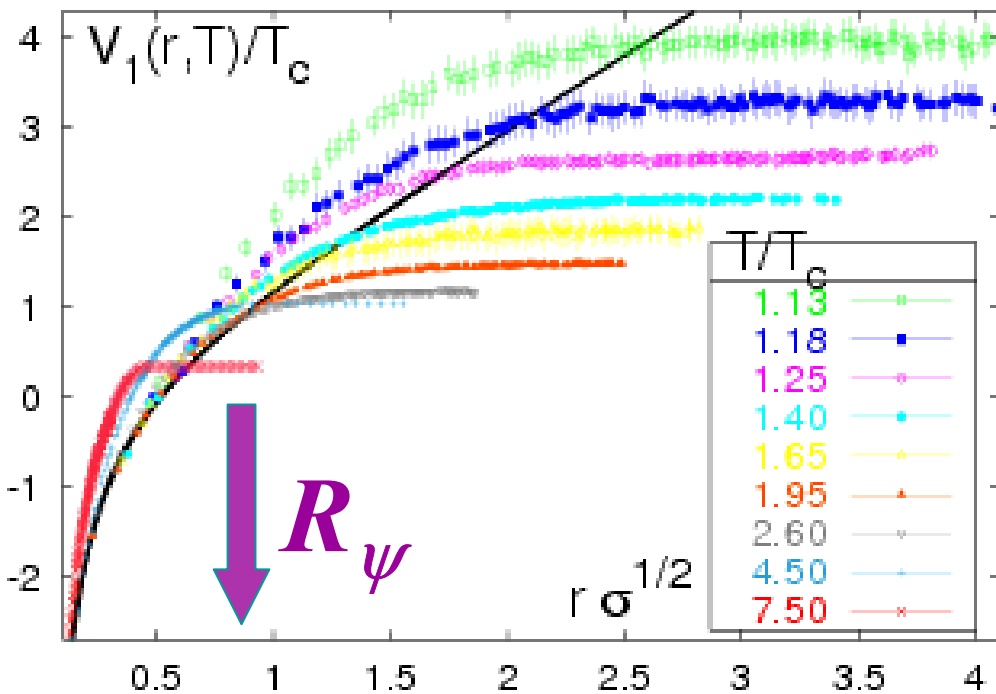
$\Rightarrow \mu_{B,c} \geq 400 \text{ MeV}$ ([Fodor+Katz]: $\sim 700 \text{ MeV}$)

2.4 QCD Lattice for RHIC: Charmonia [Karsch]

Singlet free energy:

$$\exp(-F_1/T) = \langle \text{Tr} L_r L_0^\dagger \rangle$$

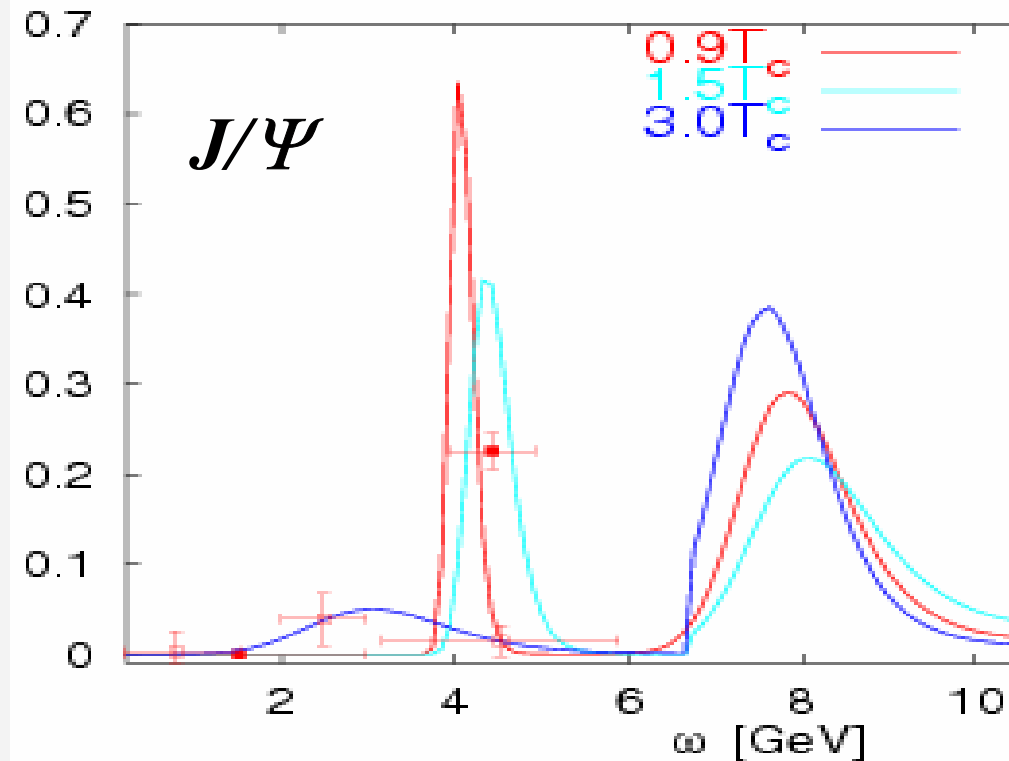
c \bar{c} Potential from: $F_1 = V_1 - TS$



- suggests boundstates at $T \leq 1.5T_c$
- reduced open-charm threshold?

Spectral Functions

[Asakawa, Datta]



- J/ψ , η_c up to $2T_c$
- χ_c dissolves close to T_c

3.) QCD Bulk Properties at RHIC

3.1 Initial: CGC

3.2 QGP : Opacity

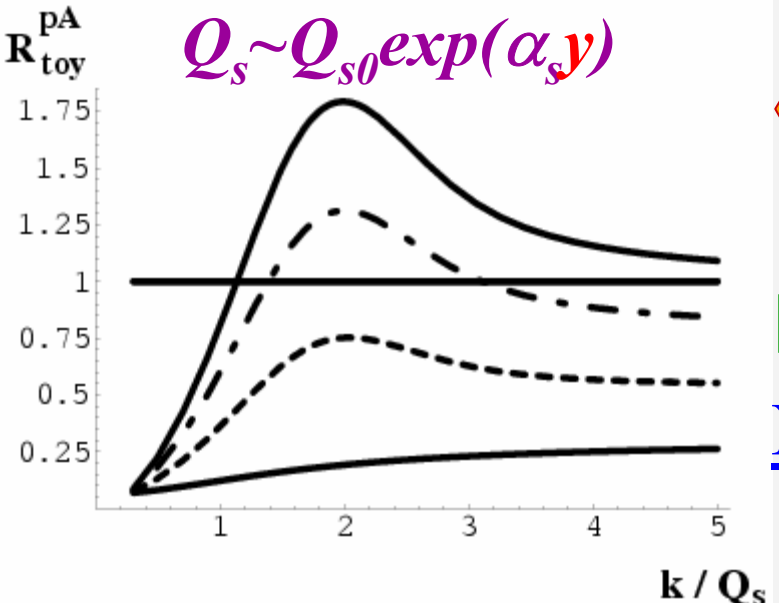
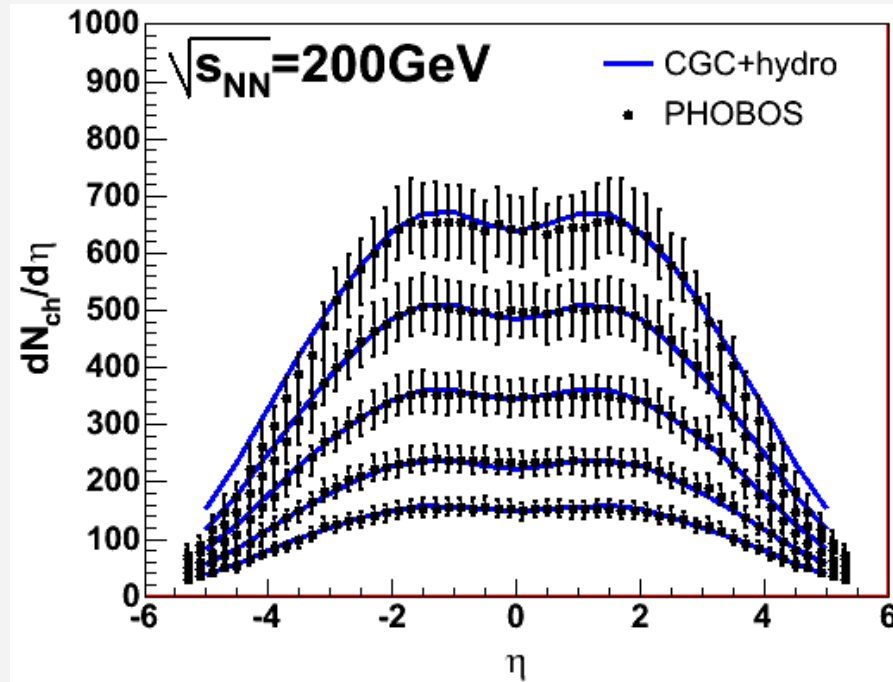
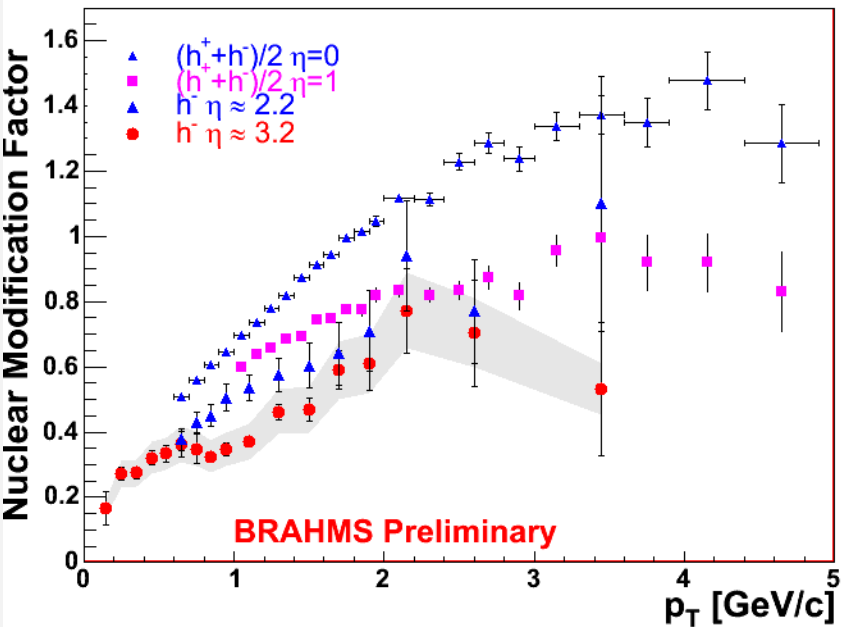
3.3 QGP : Thermalization (nonpert?)

3.4 T_c : Quark Coalescence vs. Hydro

3.5 T_{fo} : HBT “Puzzle”

3.1 Pre-Equilibrium: Color Glass Condensate?

Look forward in d-Au

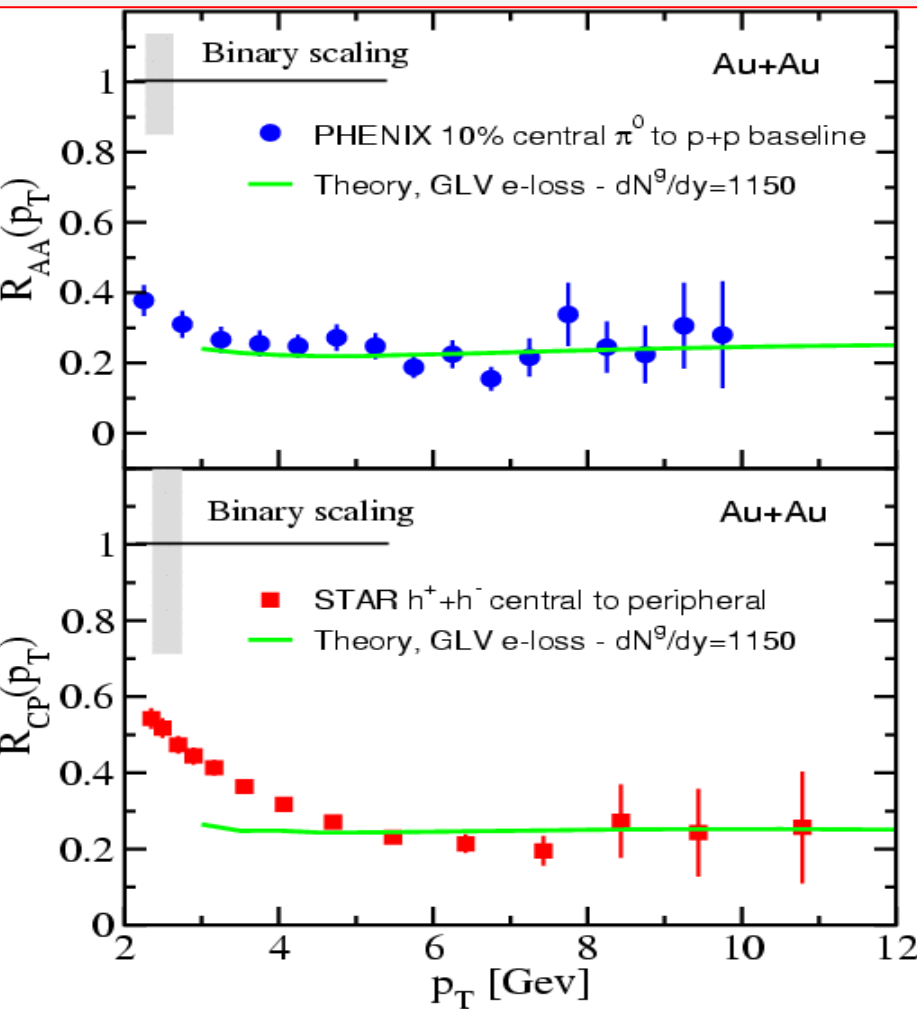


initial cond. in 3+1 hydro
[Hirano, Nara]

Qualitatively consistent with CGC
[Jalilian-Marian, Venugopalan, Kovchegov]

Note: valence-quark dominance ($h^+/h^- > 1$)
→ same suppression? rapidity energy loss?

3.2 Opacity of QCD Matter: High- p_T Frontier



- **GLV** works quantitatively, incl.
 - **d-Au** (+away-side broad.)
 - re-app. in-plane away-side jet
 - connection to DIS

[Vitev, Majumder, Salgado, Accardi, Barnaföldi, Povh]

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon_{ini} \approx 20 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$$

- [Greiner] : absorpt. of colorless “prehadrons” ; problems:
 - v_2 of supp.+bulk, - SPS ?!

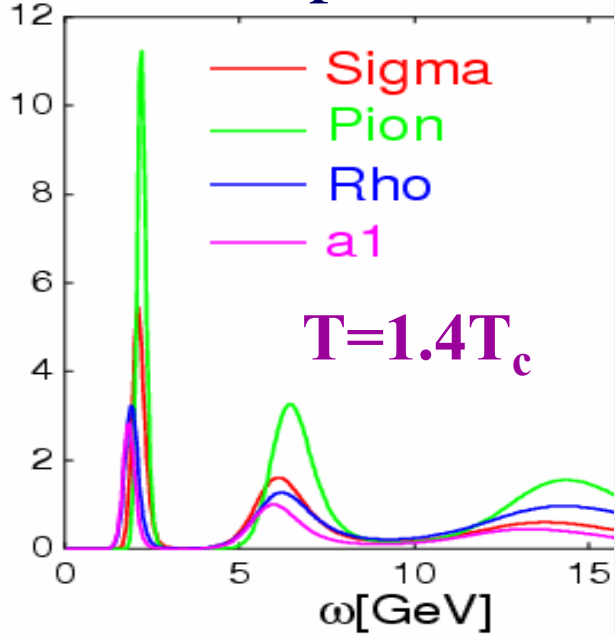
Notes: - non-jet *baryon/meson* for $p_T < 6 \text{ GeV}$
 - where does R_{AA} rise again? LHC?!

3.3 Thermalization and Nonperturbative QGP

early thermalization \leftrightarrow Hydro $v_{0,1,2,4}$ [Corrections: **[Hirano,Heinz,Gavin]**]

↳ Resonant $\bar{q}q$, qg , $gg \leftrightarrow$ “meson” rescattering ?

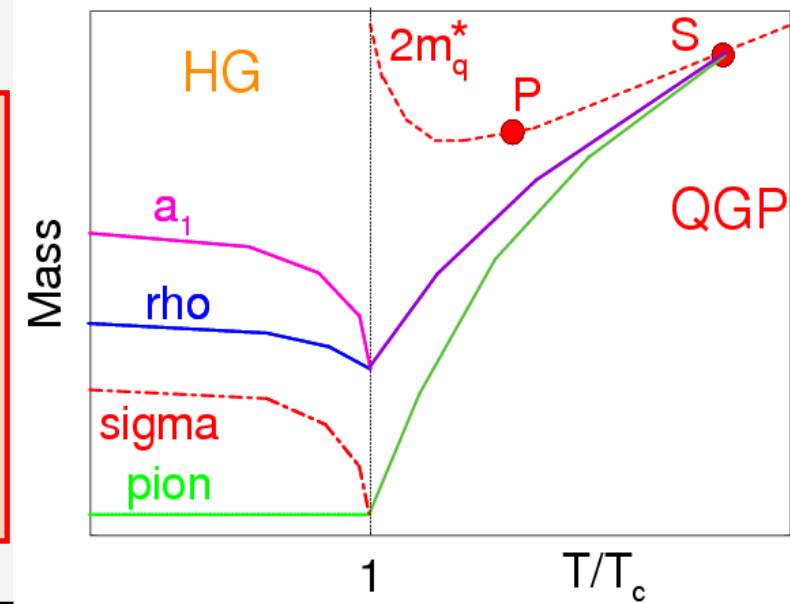
$\rho(\omega)$ Lattice Spectr. Funct.



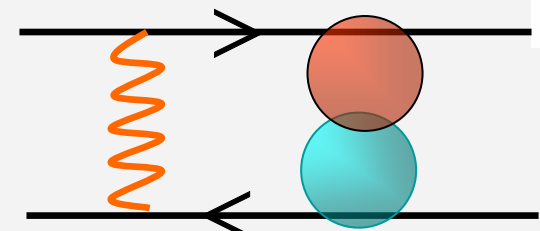
[Asakawa+Hatsuda]

above T_c :
Color-Coulomb
+Instanton-Mol.
 $\alpha_s(m_D^2) \rightarrow 0.5$

Quasi-Quark “Boundstates”!



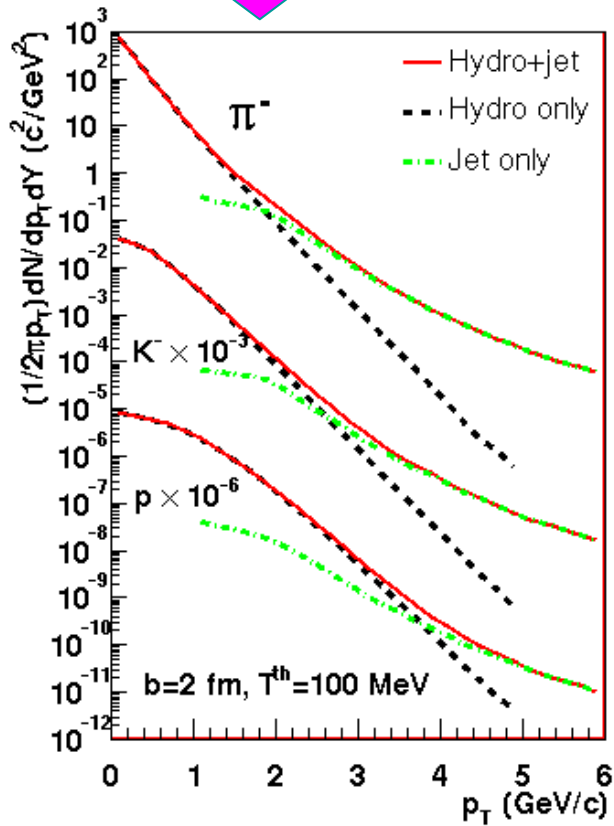
[Shuryak,Zahed,Brown, Polchinski]



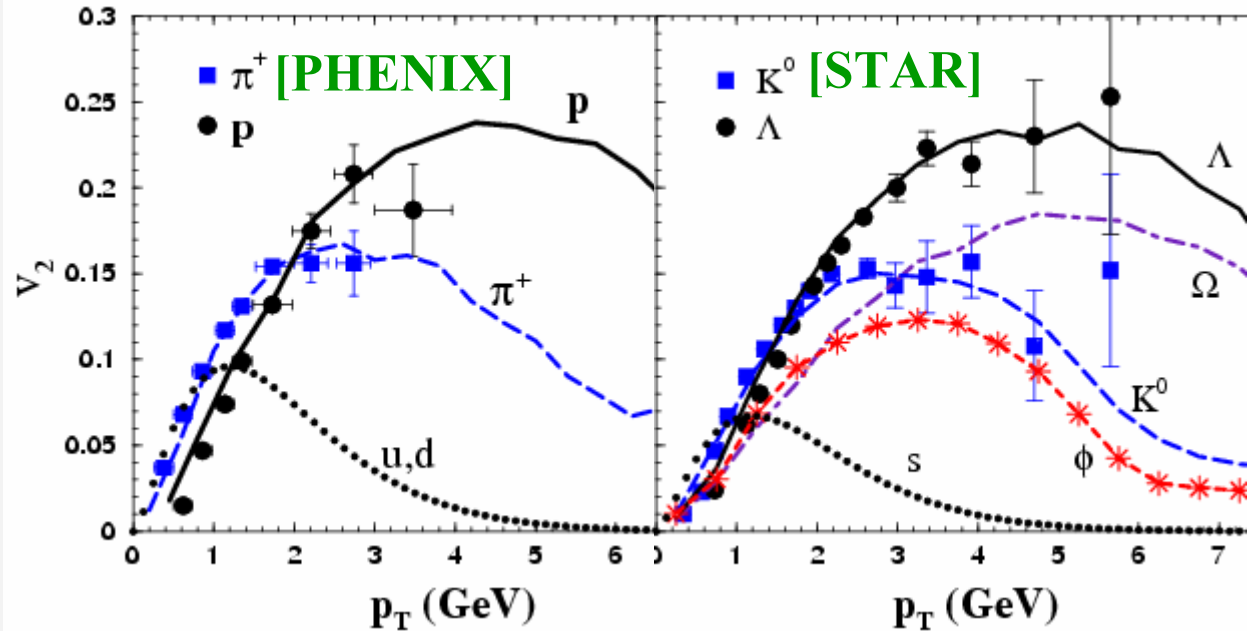
3.4 Hydro vs. Coalescence: The 2-6 GeV Regime

[Hirano, Nara]

[Fries, Hwa, Molnar]



$$E \frac{dN_h}{d^3 p} = g_h \int \frac{d\sigma^\mu p_\mu}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3 q |\psi_h(\vec{q})|^2 f_a(\vec{p}_a) f_b(\vec{p}_b)$$



[Greco et al.]

v_2 : mass-dependent

But: $p/\pi(4\text{GeV}) \approx 0.3$

[PHENIX]: 1 ± 0.15

\Rightarrow universal partonic $v_2(p_T/n) / n$

soft-soft \approx thermal ($p_T \gg m$)

soft-hard: explicit thermal+jet (correlations!)

Challenges: $p/\pi=1$ + jet correlation, ϕ elliptic flow

3.5 HBT “Puzzle”

Hydro/Transport models overpredict

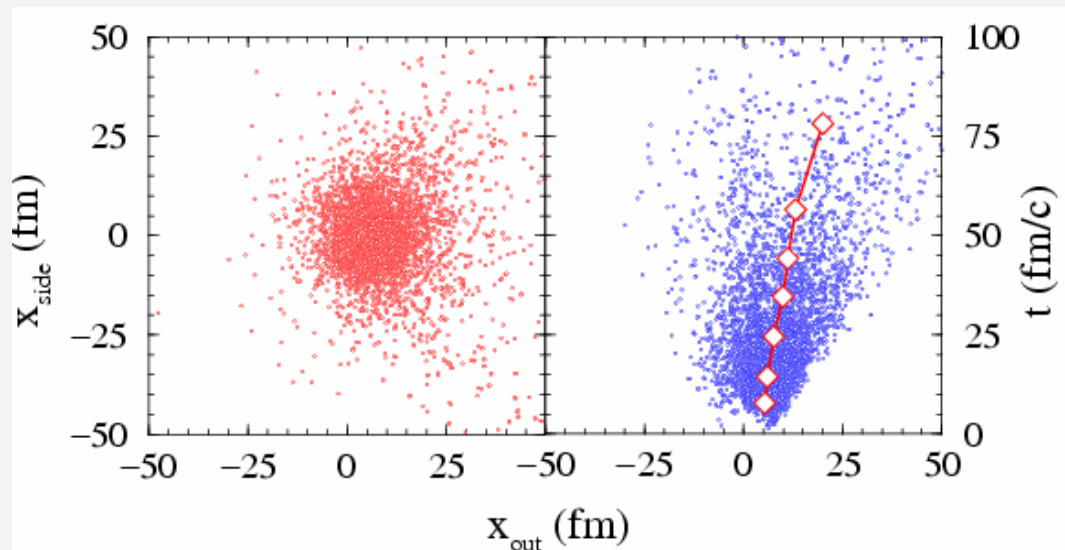
$$(R_{out})^2 = D(x_{out}, x_{out}) - 2D(x_{out}, \beta_t t) + D(\beta_t t, \beta_t t)$$

Potential Remedies:

➔ [Teaney]: viscosity in hydro

➔ [Kapusta, Wong]: incl. quant. phases in rescatt. \leftrightarrow *initial* size?!

➔
Multiphase
Transport
Model
[Lin+Ko]



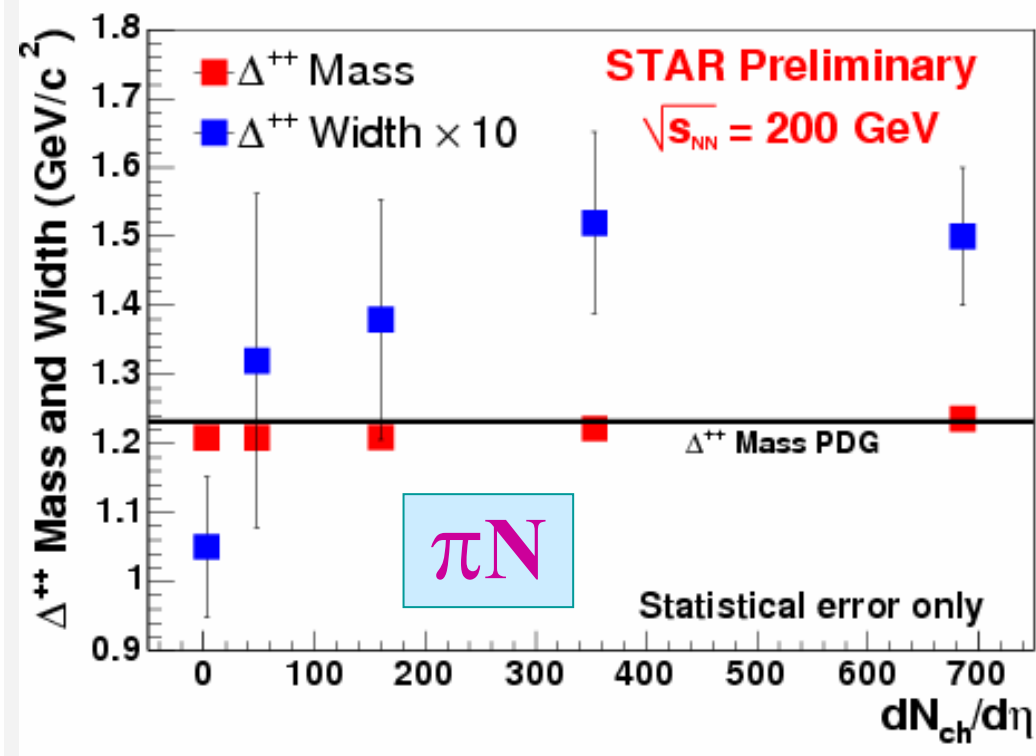
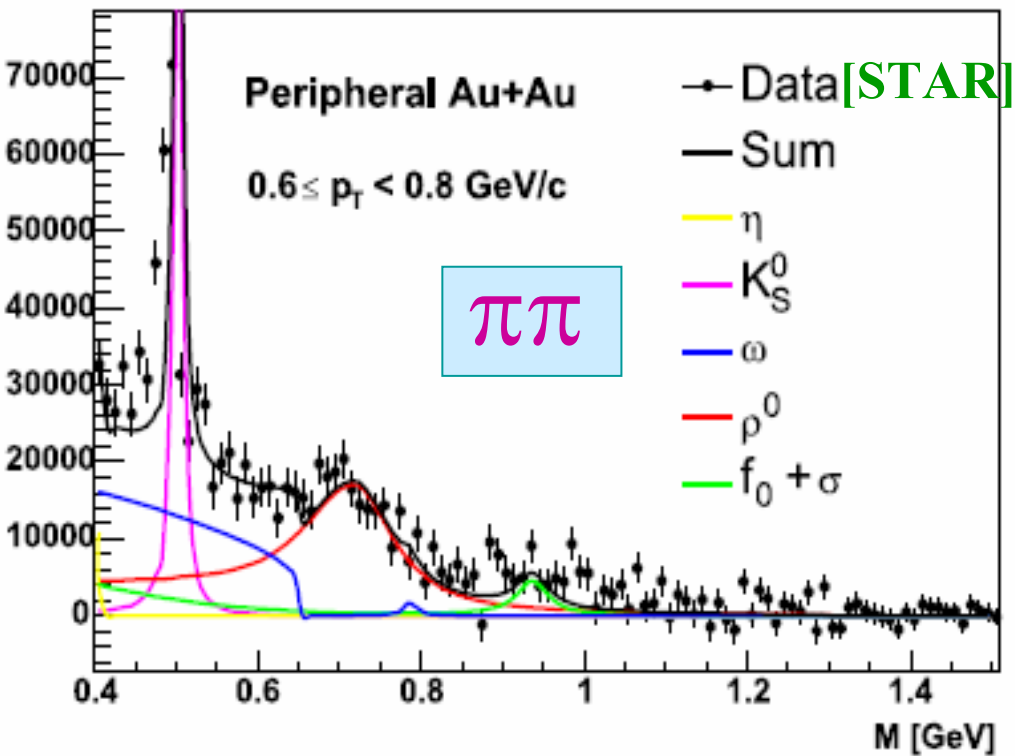
positive $R_{out} - t$
correlation
(not in Hydro,
UrQMD ...)

4.) Microscopic Probes of QCD Matter

- 4.1 Hadronic In-Medium Effects:
Resonances and Chem. Freezeout
- 4.2 E.M. Emission
- 4.3 Charm/onium

4.1 Resonance Spectroscopy at RHIC

$$\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi, \quad \Delta \rightarrow \pi N, \quad \tau_{\rho,\Delta} \approx 1.5 \text{ fm}/c, \quad T_{fo} \approx 110 \text{ MeV}, \quad n_{\pi} = \frac{2}{3} n_0$$



Model fit: $\Delta m_{\rho} = -50 \text{ MeV}$ [Florkowski]

But: Bose correlations, broadening, nonres. “background”, p - p ?

Also: ρ/π , f_0/π factor ~ 2 too small

Δ -mass $m_{\Delta} \approx \text{const}$

Δ -width Γ_{Δ} increases

From Thermal to Chemical Freezeout

at $T_c \approx 175 \text{ MeV}$: **Chiral Restoration!**

⇒ chiral partners **must** degenerate (m and Γ):

$$\pi \equiv \sigma \quad , \quad \rho \equiv \mathbf{a}_1 \quad , \quad \mathbf{N} \equiv \mathbf{N}^* \quad (\text{or: } \pi \equiv \rho_L \text{ [Harada] })$$

⇒ Substantial medium modifications required

(supported by **CERES** dileptons, $\rho \rightarrow e^+e^-$)

Challenge: Reconcile with chem. f.o. systematics !?

(à la [Braun-Munzinger+Stachel et al],...)

Optimistic: measure (and calculate!)

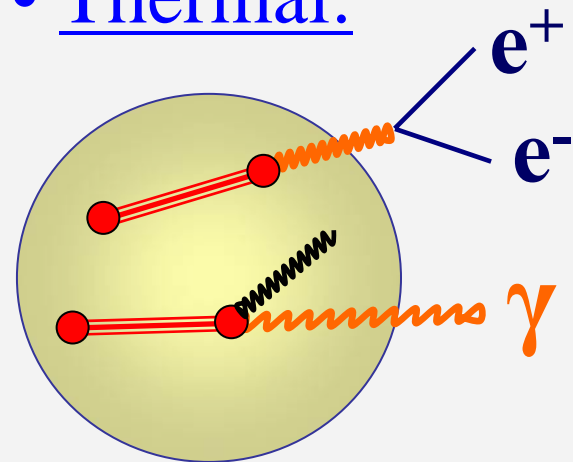
$$\mathbf{a}_1 \rightarrow \pi \gamma \quad , \quad \mathbf{N}^*(1535) \rightarrow \mathbf{N} \eta$$

4.2 Direct Photons and Dileptons

Sources:

- Initial hard scatt.: Drell-Yan / Compton (tag jets! [Gale])
- Pre-equilibrium: Radiation off jets [Gale], rescatt.+fragment. of secondaries (parton cascade [Bass])

Thermal:



$$\frac{dR_{ee}}{d^4q} = -\frac{\alpha^2}{\pi^3} \frac{1}{M^2} f^B(q_0, T) \text{Im} \Pi_{em}(M, q)$$

$$q_0 \frac{dR_\gamma}{d^3q} = -\frac{\alpha}{\pi^2} f^B(q_0, T) \text{Im} \Pi_{em}(q_0=q)$$

e.m. correlator

chemical off-equilibrium:

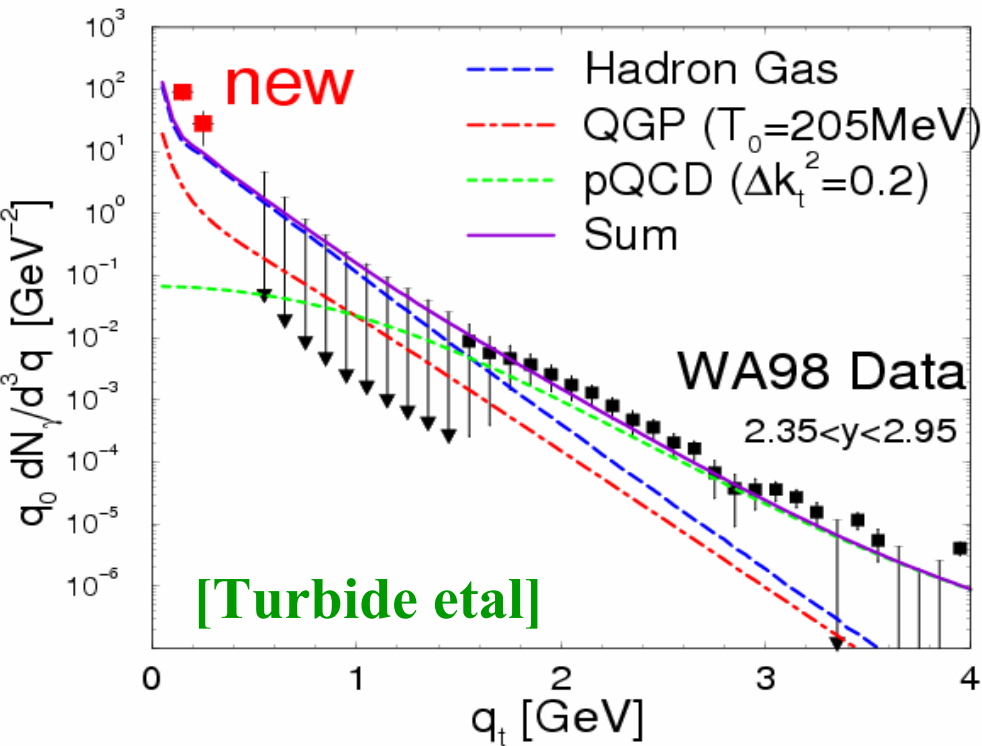
$$\text{QGP: } \lambda_{q,g} \leq 1$$

[Niemi, Moore]

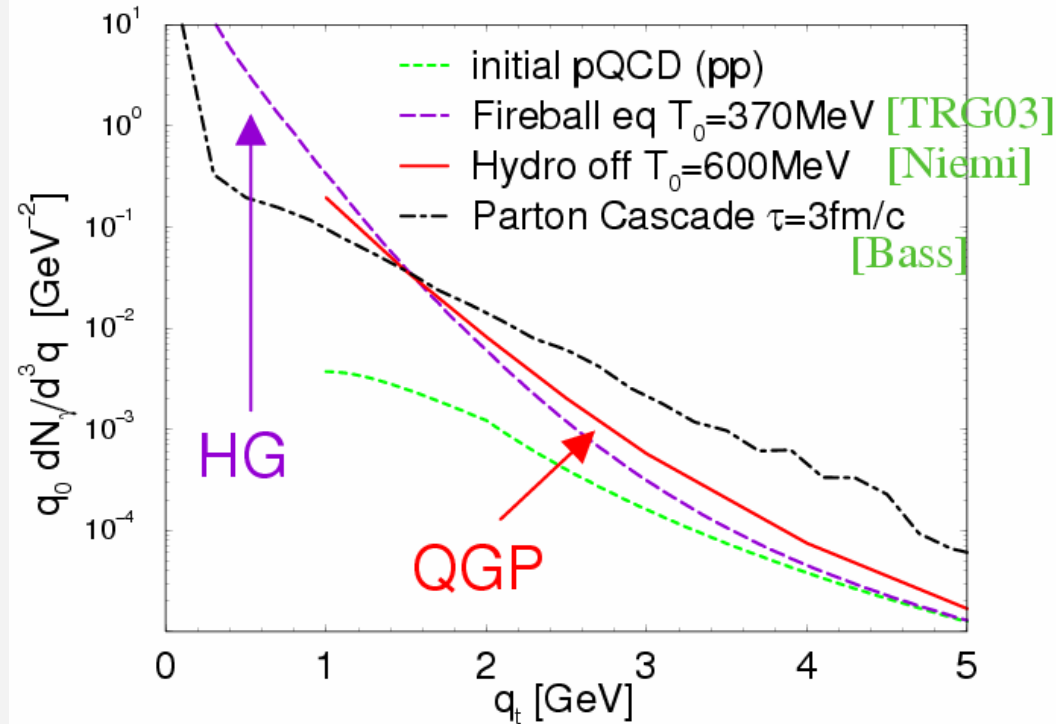
$$\text{HG: } \mu_{\pi, K, \dots} > 0$$

Direct Photons at SPS and RHIC

Central Pb–Pb $s^{1/2} = 17.3 \text{ A GeV}$



Central Au–Au $s^{1/2} = 200 \text{ A GeV}$ ($y=0$)



- pQCD Cronin $\sim \pi^0$
 $\Rightarrow T_0 \approx 205 \text{ MeV}$ sufficient
- new **WA98** points:
 $\pi\pi$ -Bremsstr. via soft σ ?

- large “pre-equilibrium” yield from parton cascade (no LPM)
- thermal yields \sim consistent
- QGP undersaturation small effect

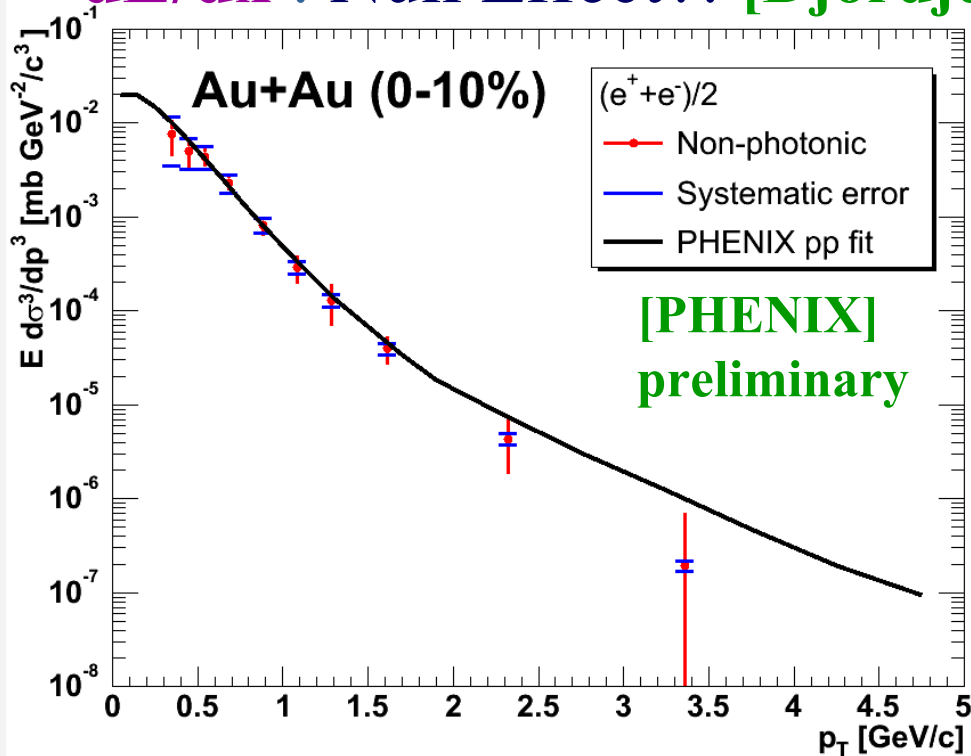
4.3 Charm I: Open Charm (Central A-A)

(i) Yields

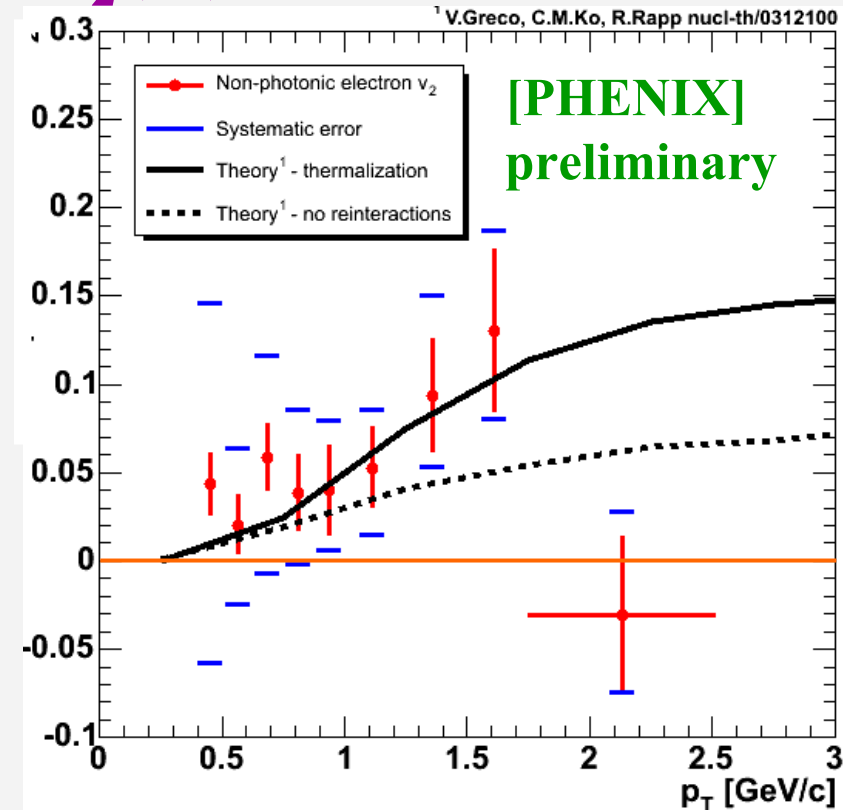
- RHIC: -30% for $\eta=0 \rightarrow 2$: CGC [Tuchin], Color-Dipole [Raufeisen]
- LHC: CGC: N_{part} ; nonlin. DGLAP: enhanced! [Kolhinen]

(ii) p_T -Spectra

dE/dx : Null Effect?! [Djordjevic]



$v_2(e^\pm)$: Thermalization?!



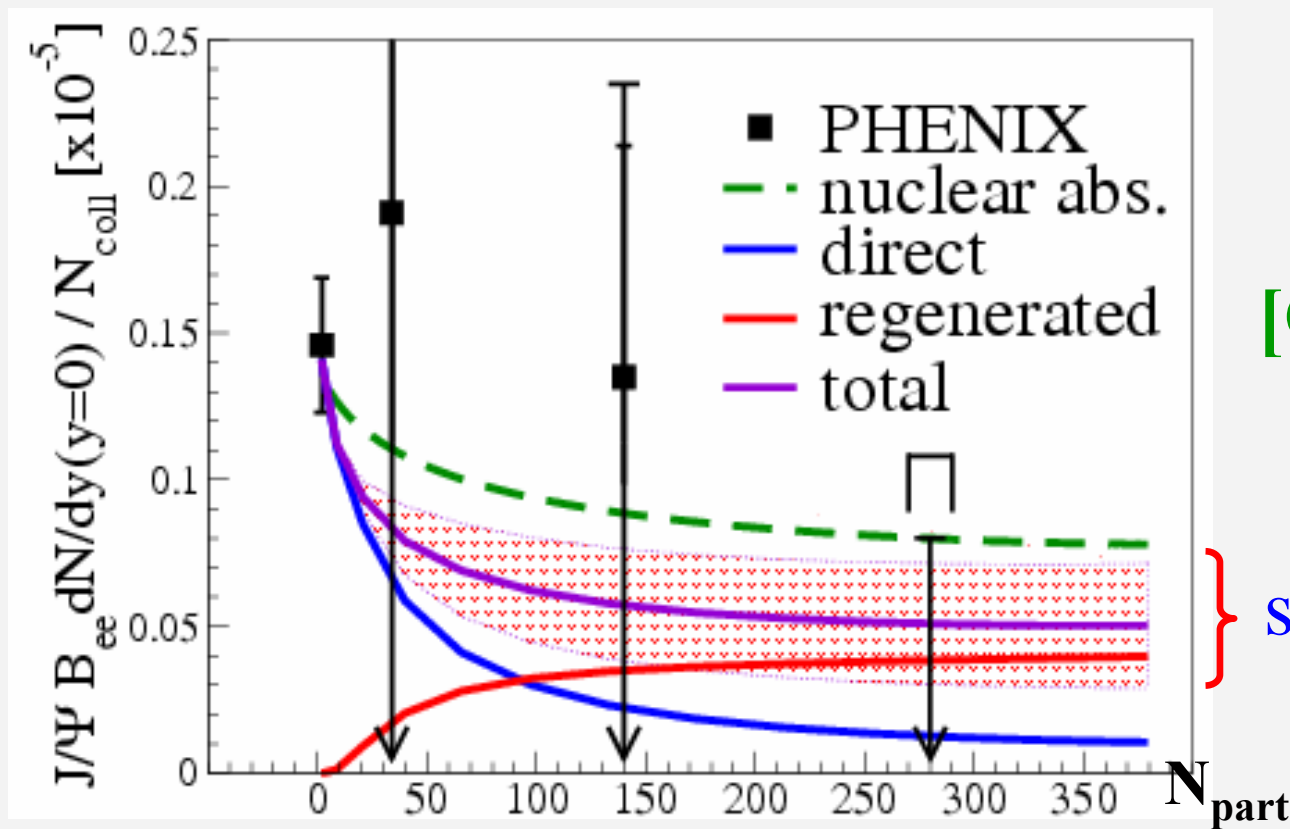
4.3 Charm II: Charmonium

- RHIC central: $N_{cc} \approx 10-20$,
 - QCD lattice: J/ψ 's to $\sim 2T_c$
- Regeneration in QGP / at T_c**
- $$J/\psi + g \rightleftharpoons \bar{c} + c + X$$

If c -quarks thermalize:

$$\frac{dN_\psi}{d\tau} = -\Gamma_\psi (N_\psi - N_\psi^{eq})$$

[PBM etal, Thews etal]



[Grandchamp]

sensitivity to m_c^*

5. Conclusions

Produced Matter at RHIC is

- **Dense (opacity)**
- **Thermalized (hydro)**
- **probably nonperturbative (resonances,...)**

Microscopic probes required to assess the phase transition

**Need to find broad consensus on signatures
to go beyond circumstantial evidence from the SPS**