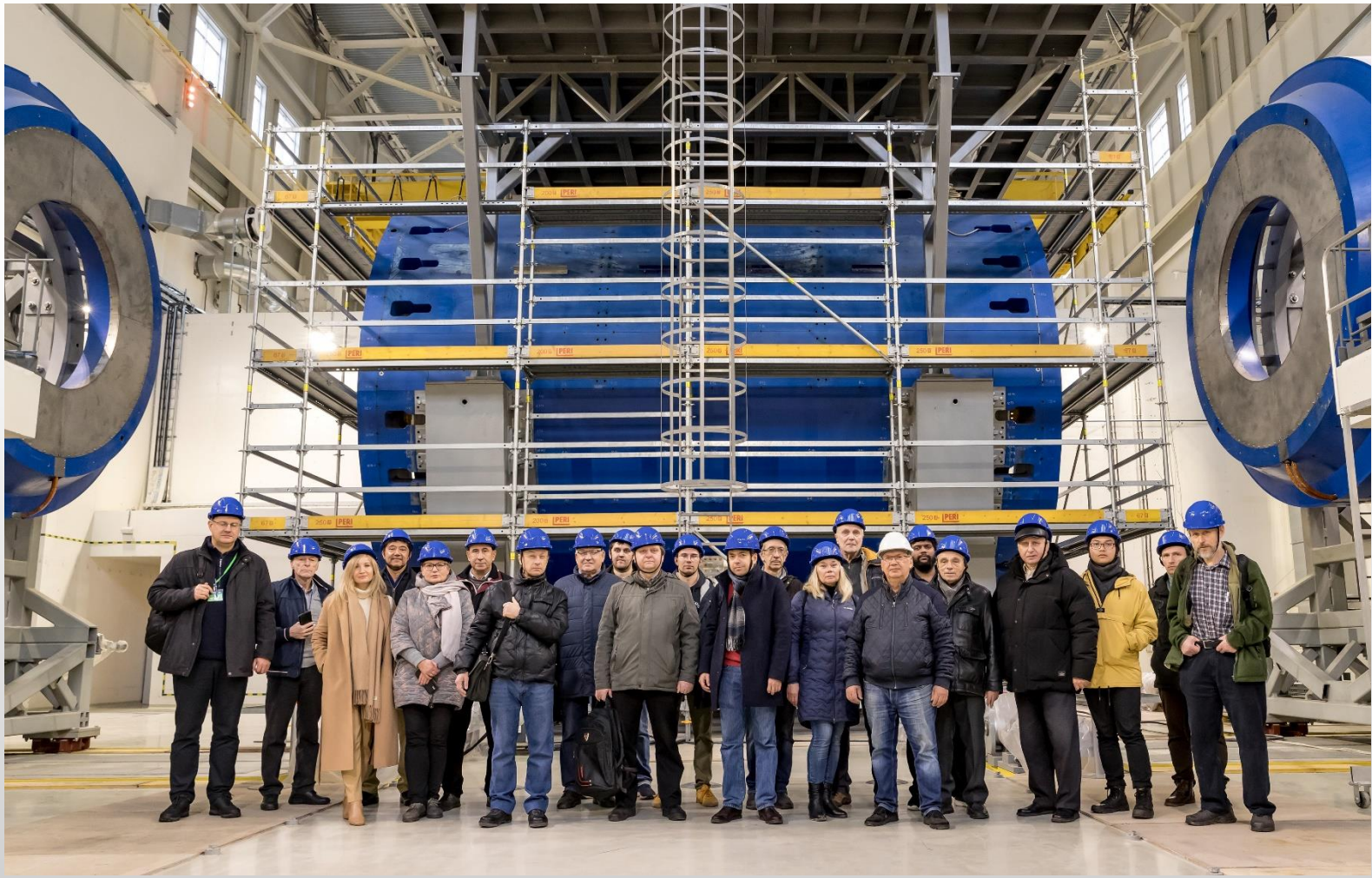




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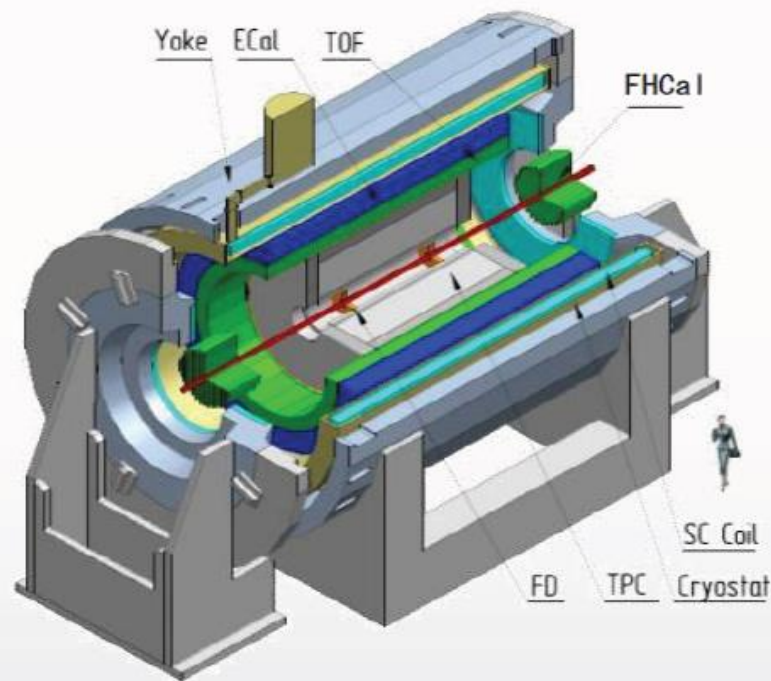
MPD International Collaboration was established in 2018 to construct, commission and operate the detector

10 Countries, >450 participants, 33 Institutes and JINR

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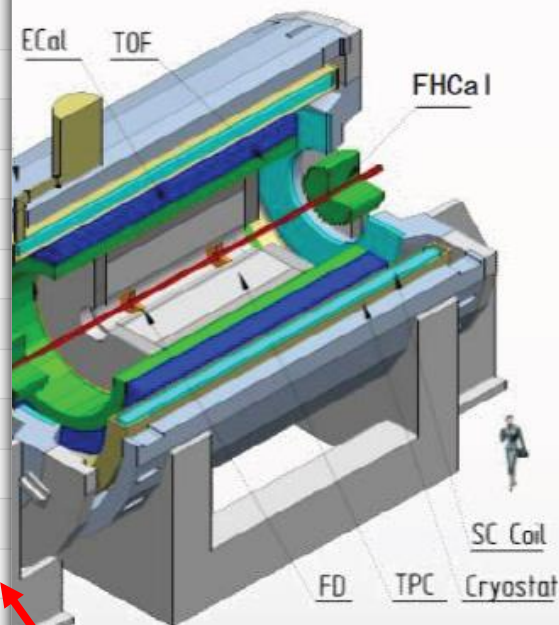
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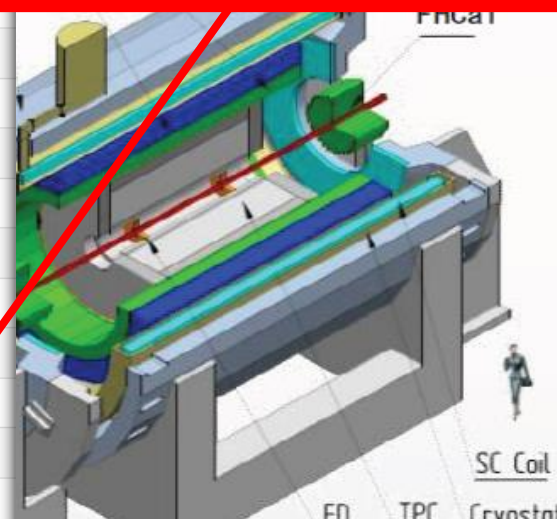
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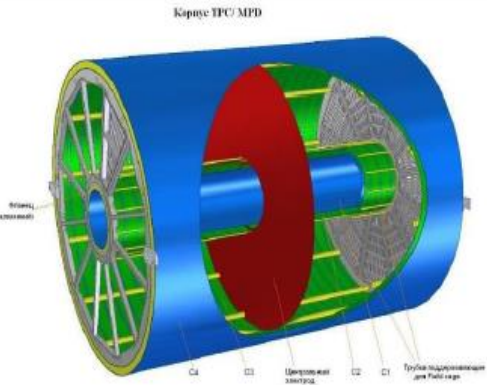
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TPC gas system



length	340 cm
outer Radii	140 cm
inner Radii	27 cm
gas	90%Ar+10%CH ₄
drift velocity	5.45 cm / μ s;
drift time	< 30 μ s;
# R-O chamb.	12 + 12
# pads/ chan.	95 232
max rate	< 7kGz ($L= 10^{27}$)



TPC MPD gas system was designed in 2014 and assembled at PNPI in 2016. It provides (Ar + 10% Methane) gas mixture to the TPC detector at the correct differential pressure (2mbar). The system operates nominally as a closed circuit gas system with the majority of gas recirculation through the detector. The TPC MPD gas system is the first system designed in our laboratory with two recirculation circuits. The inner circuit provides fast gas mixture exchange in the detector at large flowrate. The outer one provides quality control of the mixture, fresh gas supply, pressure stabilization etc. The slow control for the gas system is based on single DAQ32 module.

<https://lkst.pnpi.nw.ru/projects/nica/tpc/>

- Compared to calorimeters in other HI collider experiments at RHIC/LHC:
 - ✓ softer signals \rightarrow bad for resolution, $\sigma(E) \sim 1/\sqrt{E}$
 - ✓ smaller radius, 2 m vs. ~ 5 m \rightarrow higher signal density and higher importance of spatial resolution

TASKS

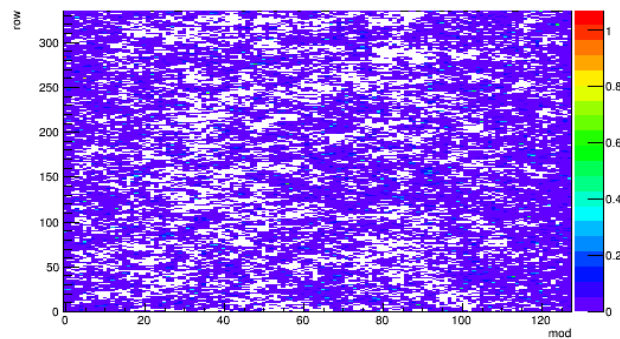
- Correct reconstruction of electromagnetic signals
- Algorithms of electromagnetic signals selection development
- Friendly interface for users
- Estimation of ECAL capabilities for physics studies

- Optimistic/realistic estimate of the minimum tower threshold is $E_{\min} \sim 5$ MeV
- Occupancy is $\sim 27\%$ \rightarrow comparable to that in higher energy experiments

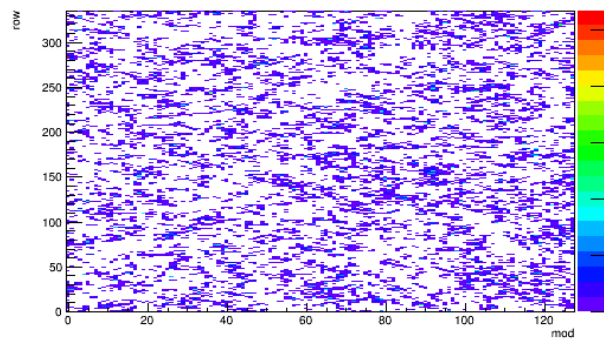
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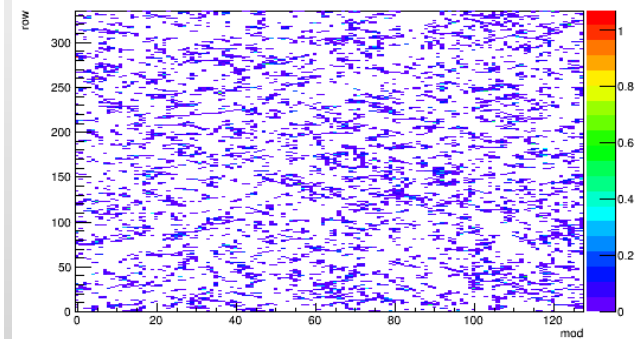
$E_{\min} = 10$ MeV



occupancy ~ 0.72



occupancy ~ 0.27

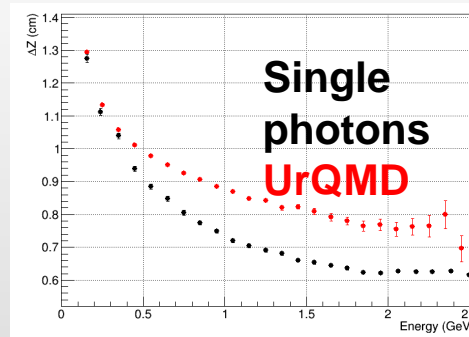
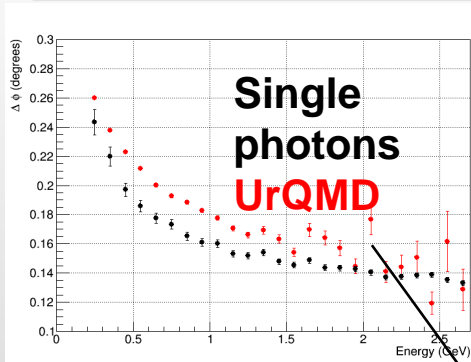


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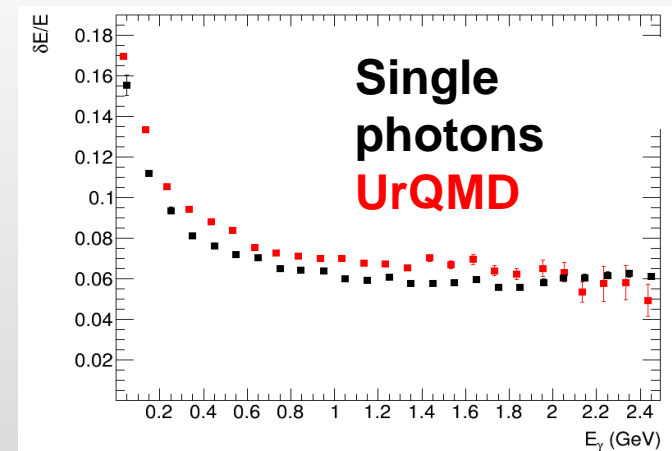
UrQMD, minbias AuAu@11, realistic vertex distribution, selected photons

- Spatial resolution is energy dependent
- Comparable for single photons and photons in high-multiplicity events
- Achieved resolution is good enough → does not significantly affect: (1) the mass resolution for neutral mesons in the expected p_T range of measurements; (2) width of track-to-cluster and cluster-to-track matching

- Energy resolution is energy dependent, $\delta E/E \sim 1/\sqrt{E}$
- Energy resolution defines width of the reconstructed π^0/η , E/p peaks
- There is still potential for improvement (with better tower-by-tower calibration)



$\sim 180 \text{ cm} * \tan(0.15 \text{ degrees}) = 0.5 \text{ cm}$



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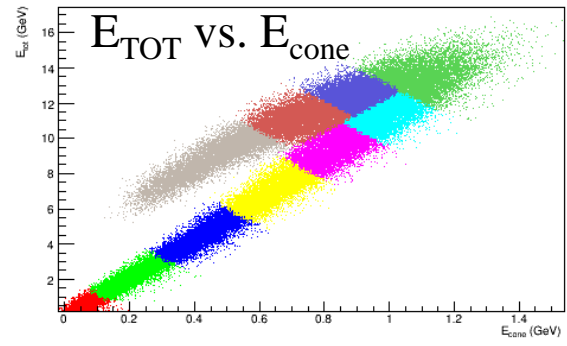
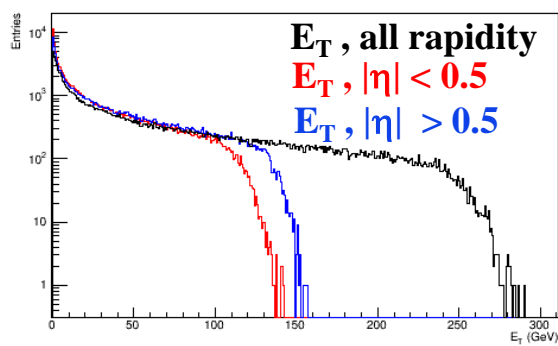
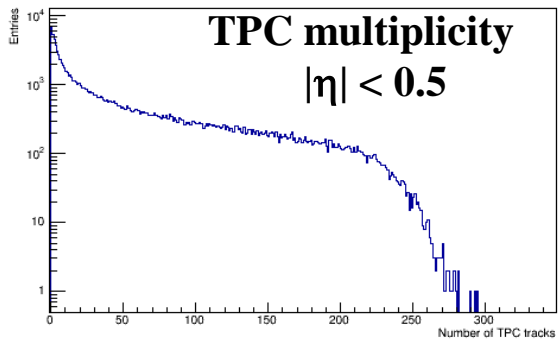
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Centrality categorization (DCM-QGSM-SMM)

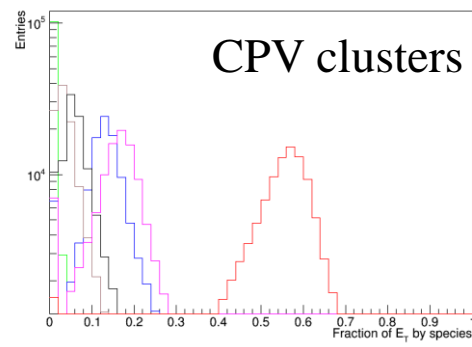
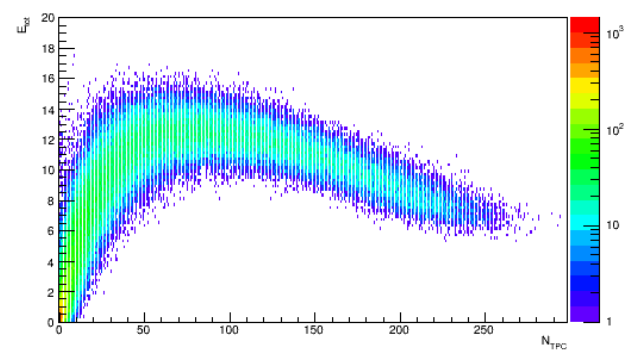
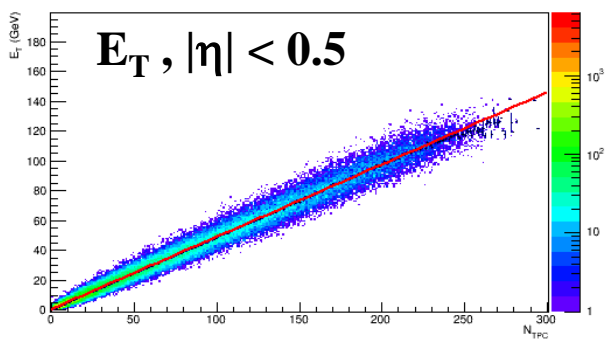
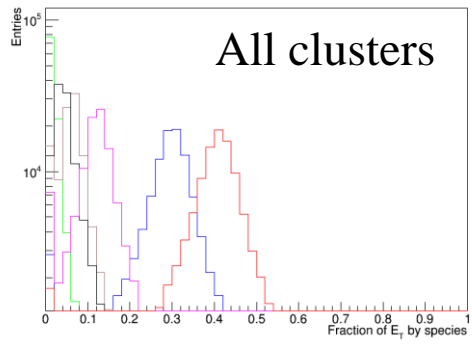
❖ Use TPC multiplicity, transverse energy E_T and FHCAL energy to determine event centrality



$\gamma, \pi^\pm, e^\pm, K^\pm, p^\pm, n$

$$E_T \sim N_{TPC}$$

E_{FHCAL} vs. $N_{TPC} \rightarrow$ ambiguity

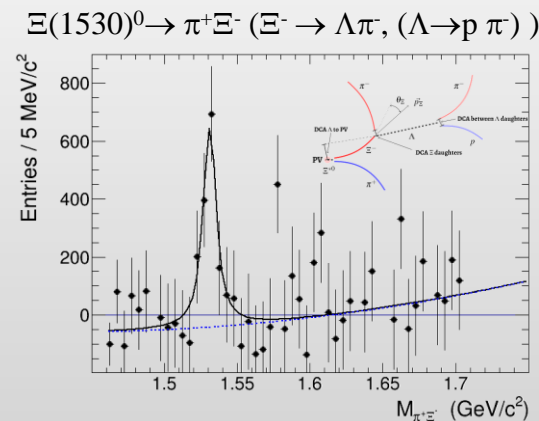
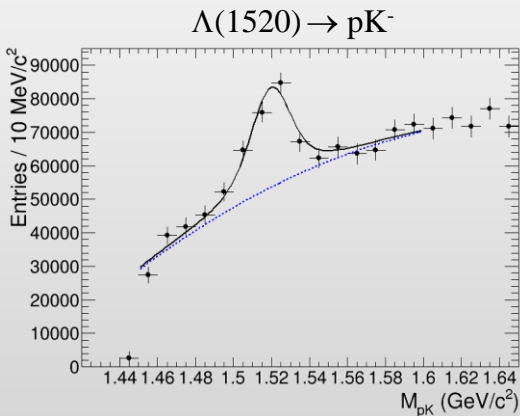
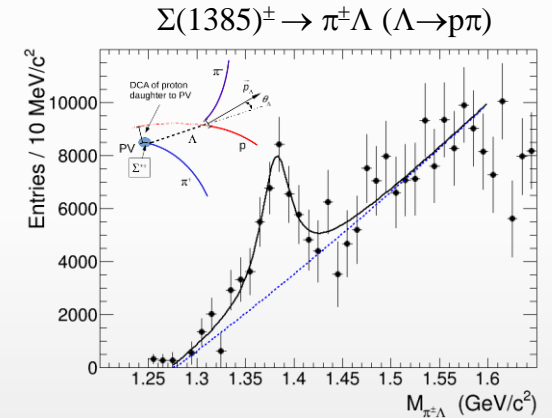
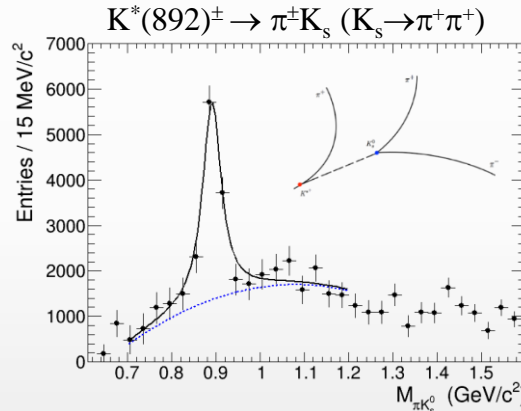
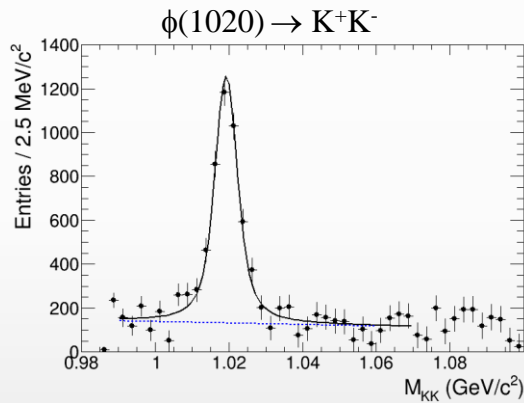


- ❖ Resonances probe reaction dynamics and particle production mechanisms vs. system size and $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$:
 - ✓ hadron chemistry and strangeness production, lifetime and properties of the hadronic phase, spin alignment of vector mesons, flow etc.

increasing lifetime \longrightarrow

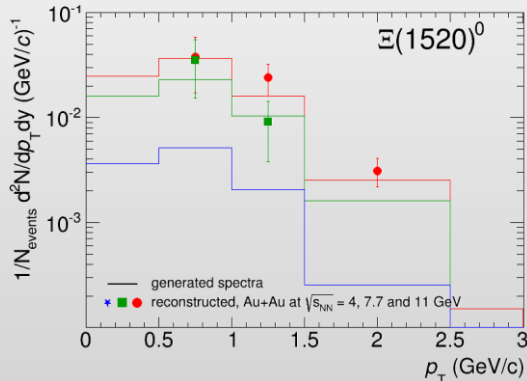
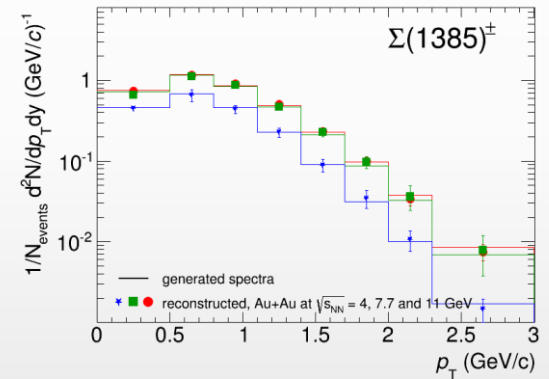
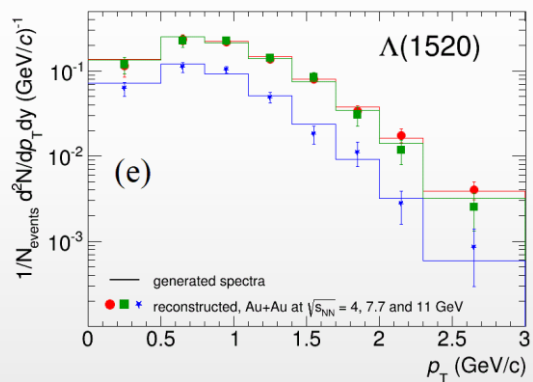
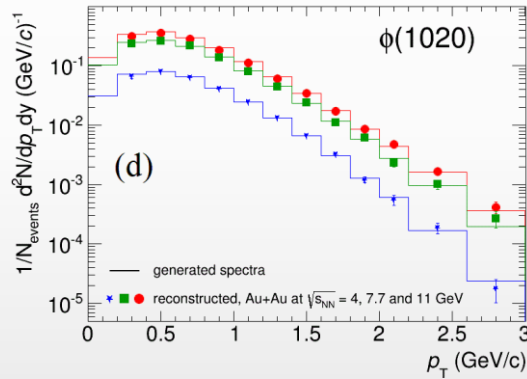
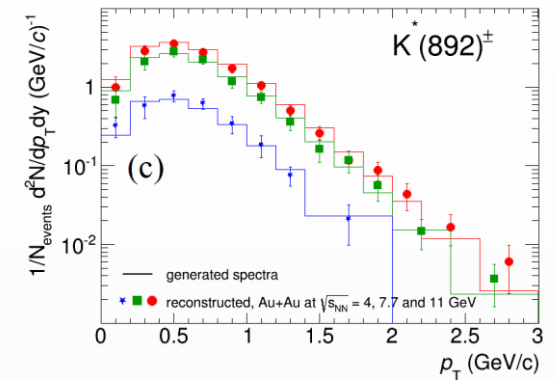
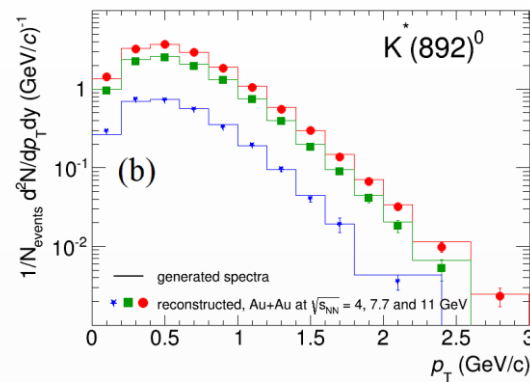
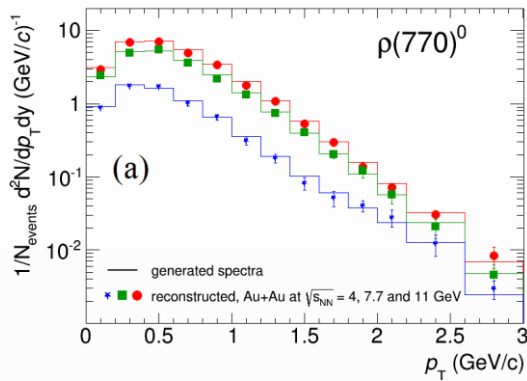
	$\rho(770)$	$K^*(892)$	$\Sigma(1385)$	$\Lambda(1520)$	$\Xi(1530)$	$\phi(1020)$
$c\tau$ (fm/c)	1.3	4.2	5.5	12.7	21.7	46.2
σ_{rescatt}	$\sigma_{\pi}\sigma_{\pi}$	$\sigma_{\pi}\sigma_K$	$\sigma_{\pi}\sigma_{\Lambda}$	$\sigma_K\sigma_p$	$\sigma_{\pi}\sigma_{\Xi}$	$\sigma_K\sigma_K$

- ❖ AuAu@11 GeV (UrQMD) after mixed-event background subtraction:



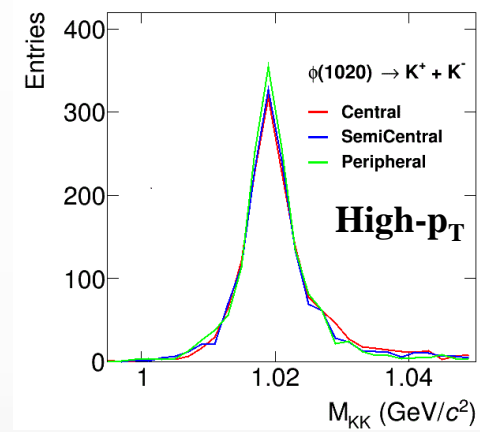
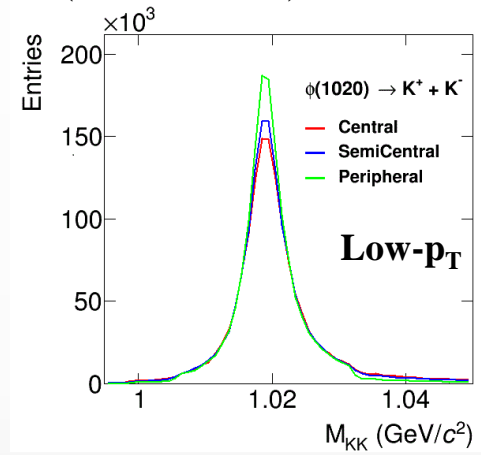
- ✓ MPD is capable of reconstruction the resonance peaks in the invariant mass distributions using combined charged hadron identification in the TPC and TOF
- ✓ decays with weakly decaying daughters require additional second vertex and topology cuts for reconstruction

❖ Full chain simulation and reconstruction, p_T ranges are limited by the possibility to extract signals, $|y| < 1$

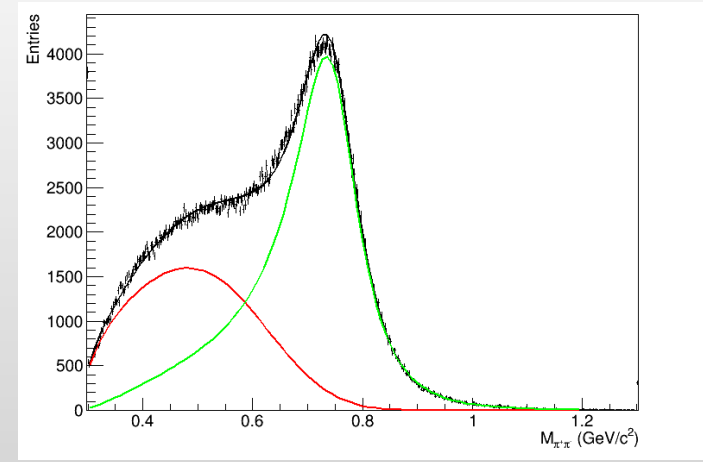
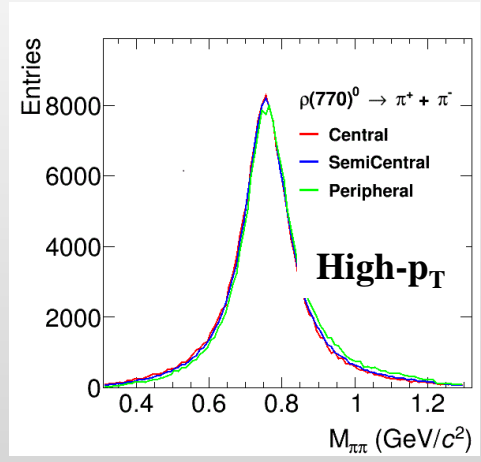
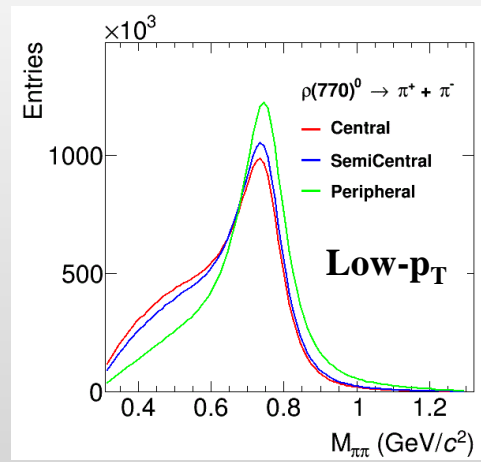


- ❖ Reconstructed spectra match the generated ones within uncertainties
- ❖ First measurements for resonances will be possible with accumulation of $\sim 10^7$ A+A events
- ❖ Measurements are possible starting from \sim zero momentum \rightarrow sample most of the yield, sensitive to possible modifications
- ❖ Measurements of $\Xi(1530)^0$ are very statistics hungry

- ❖ Resonances are decayed by UrQMD, daughters participate in elastic and inelastic scattering
- ❖ Resonance are reconstructed by invariant mass method according to decay channels
- ❖ $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$ ($c\tau \sim 45$ fm/c): modest line shape modifications in central AuAu@11 at low p_T

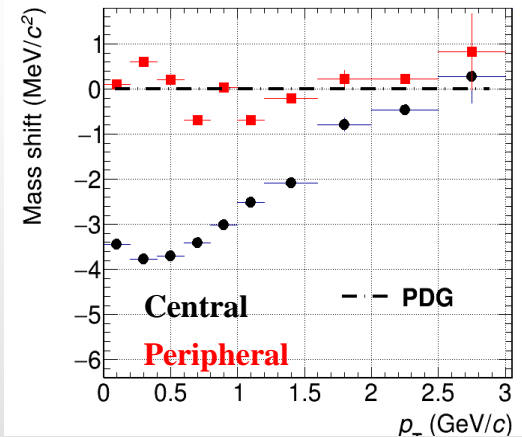
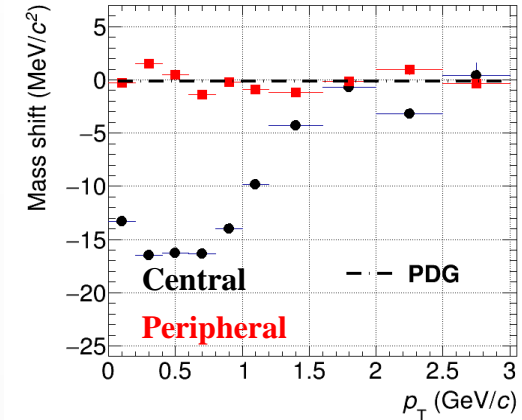
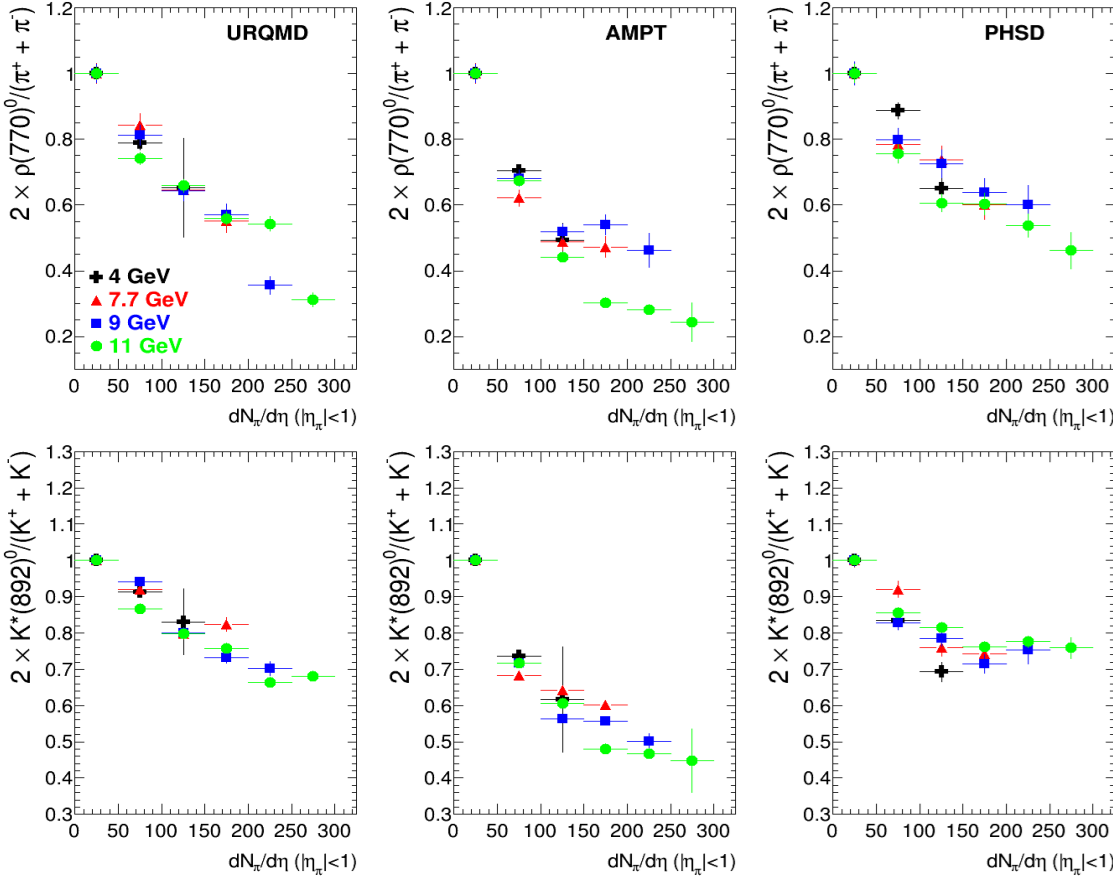


- ❖ $\rho(770)^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ ($c\tau \sim 1.3$ fm/c): significant line shape modifications in central AuAu@11 at low p_T



❖ Models with hadronic cascades (UrQMD, PHSD, AMPT)

❖ Ratios for two shortest-lived resonances (ρ , $K^*(892)$) are shown normalized to most peripheral collisions

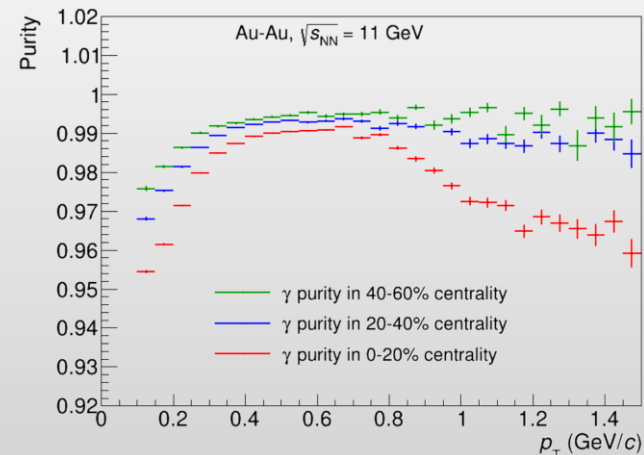
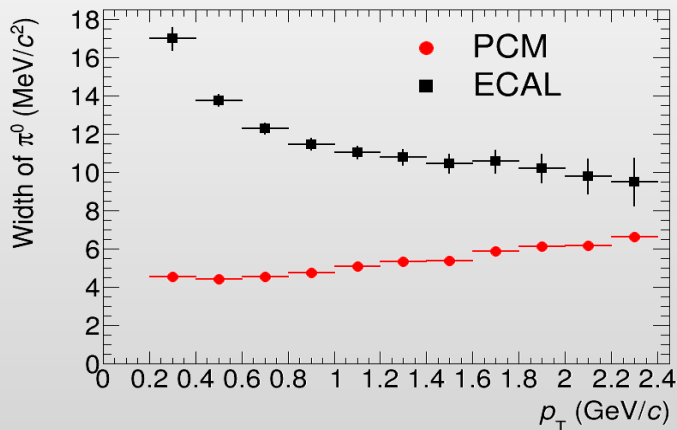
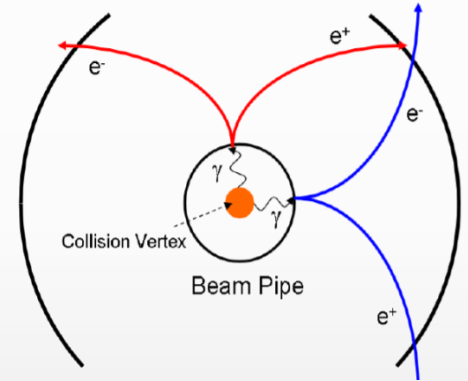


- Models predict suppression of ρ/π and K^*/K ratios in Au+Au@4-11, resonances with small τ
- Suppression depends on the final state multiplicity rather than on collision energy
- Yield losses occur at low momentum as has been demonstrated before
- In peripheral collisions, the peak models return masses and widths as measured in vacuum
- In central collisions, the masses are measured smaller

Reconstruction of photons

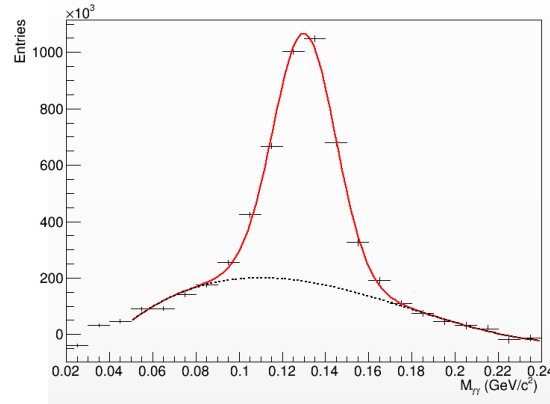
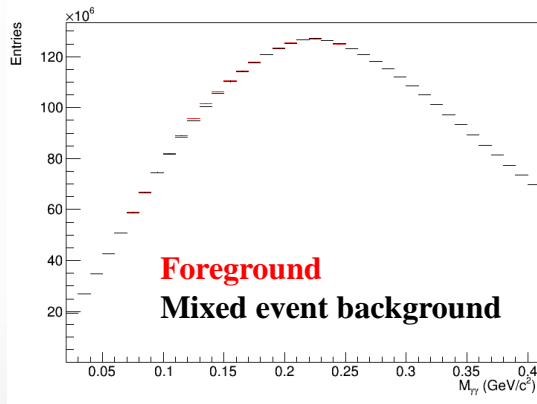
- Electromagnetic calorimeter ECAL:
 - ✓ dedicated detector to measure electromagnetic signals like γ/e^\pm (energy, position, time of flight)
 - ✓ energy resolution $\sim 1/\sqrt{E}$, better suited for high-E signals
 - ✓ suffer from large hadronic background at low energies
 - ✓ shower shape and time-of-flight selections for identification of photons

- Photon conversion method (PCM) :
 - ✓ photons are identified as e^+e^- pairs with small invariant mass after some second vertex topology, single track and pair selection cuts optimized for better S/B ratio
 - ✓ energy resolution $\sim E$, better suited for low-E
 - ✓ typically provides very high photon purity
 - ✓ suffer from small γ conversion probability

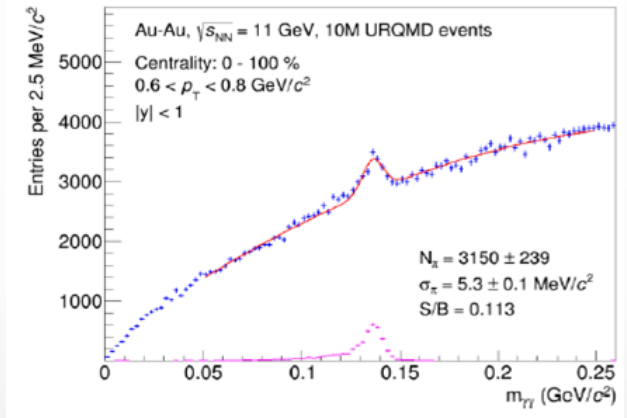


- ❖ Extend p_T range of charged particle measurements, various species (η , ω , η' , etc.)
- ❖ Neutral mesons are the main source of background for direct photon and (di)electron measurements
- ❖ AuAu@11 GeV (UrQMD): realistic ECAL reconstruction and analysis in high multiplicity environment + photon conversion method

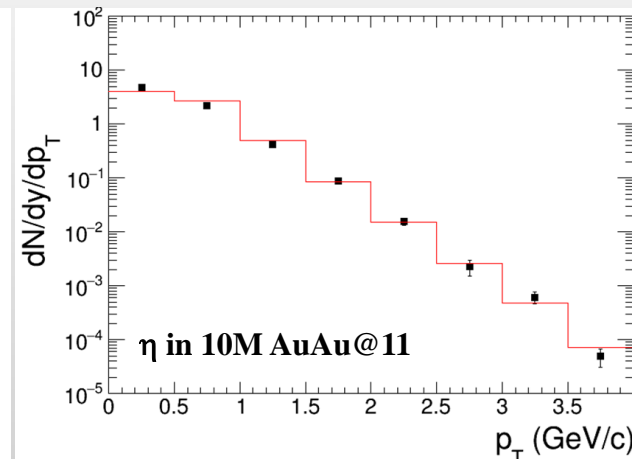
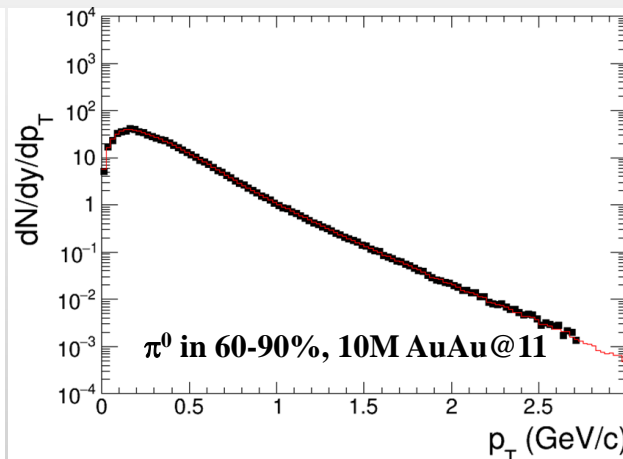
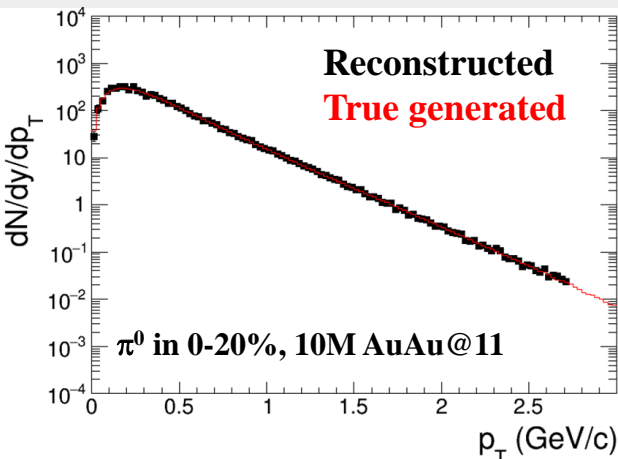
Photon pairs in the ECAL



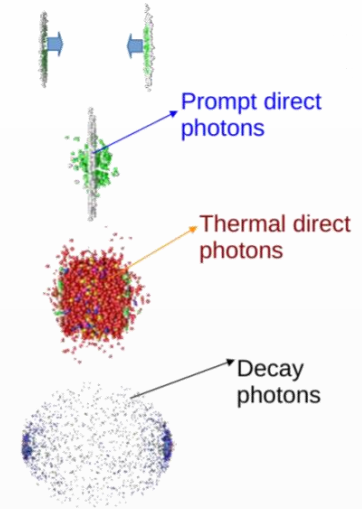
Photon pairs with PCM



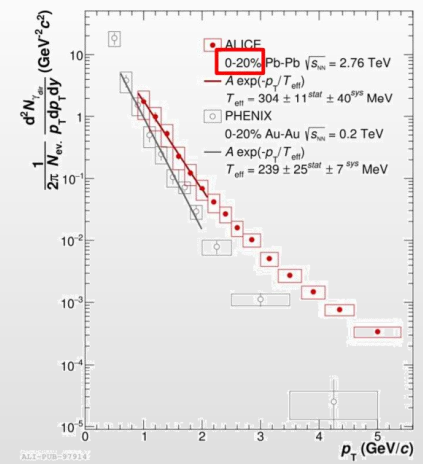
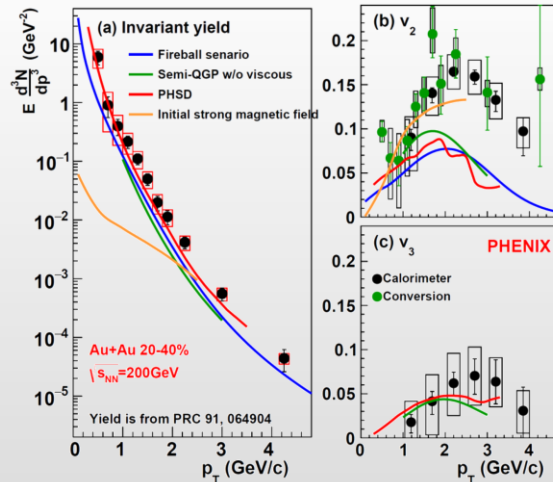
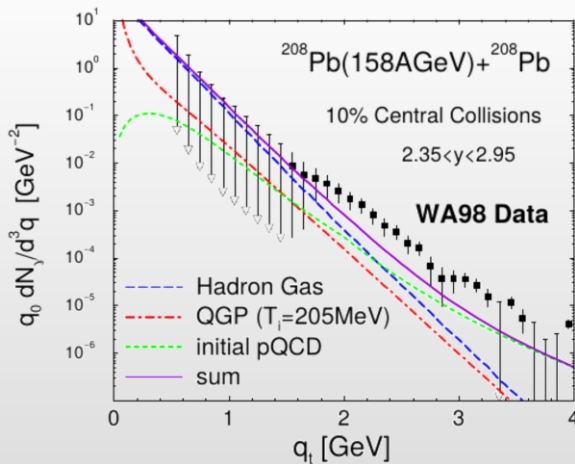
- ❖ π^0 and η MC closure tests: reconstructed spectra match the generated ones



- ❖ Direct photons – photons not from hadronic decays.
- ❖ Produced throughout the system evolution (thermal + prompt) :
 - ✓ penetrating probe
 - ✓ low-E - most direct estimation of the effective system temperature
 - ✓ high-E - hard scattering probe
- ❖ Direct photons in A-A collisions:
 - ✓ LHC, PbPb @ 2.76 and 5 TeV
 - ✓ RHIC, Au-Au(CuCu) @ 62-200 GeV
 - ✓ SPS, PbPb @ 17.2 GeV
- ❖ No measurements at NICA energies: yields and flow vs. p_T and centrality



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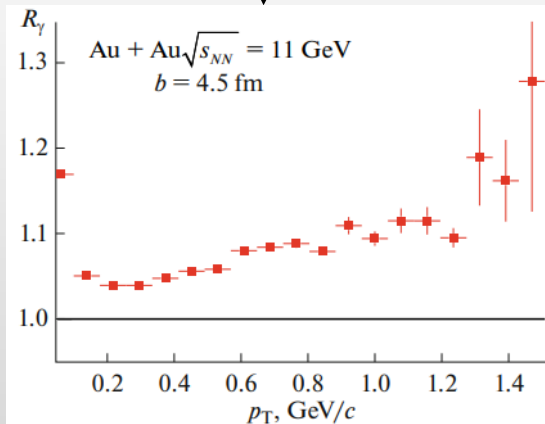
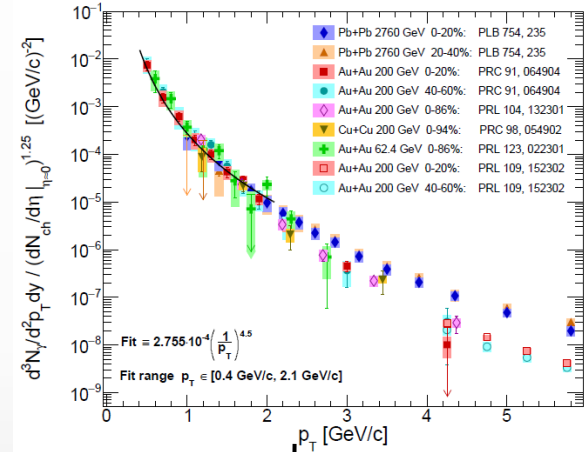
Simultaneous description of the large photon yields and flow is a challenge for theoretical models at RHIC and the LHC → “direct photon puzzle”

Estimation of the direct photon yields @NICA

model
calculations

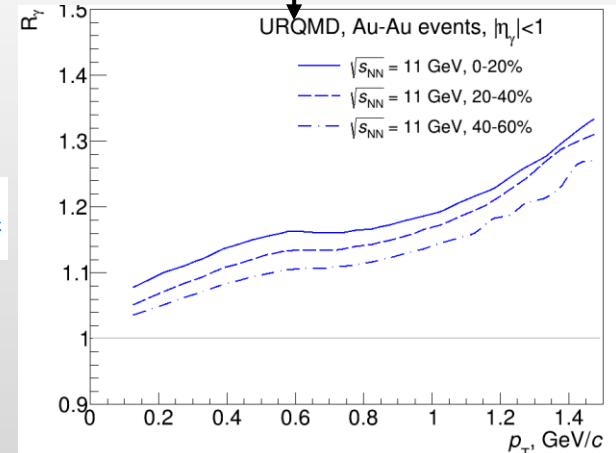
empirical
scaling

- UrQMD v3.4 with hybrid model (3+1D hydro, bag model EoS, hadronic rescattering and resonances within UrQMD)
- Each cell have T_i, E_i, μ_{bi} :
 - T is high – QGP phase (Peter Arnold, Guy D. Moore, Laurence G. Yaffe, JHEP 0112:009 2001)
 - T is low – HG phase (Simon Turbide, Ralf Rapp, Charles Gale, Phys.Rev.C69:014903,2004)
 - T is intermediate – mixed phase
- Integrate over all cells and all time steps
- Calculations reproduce hydro calculations for the SPS



$$R_\gamma = \frac{\gamma_{\text{inc}}}{\gamma_{\text{decay}}} = \frac{\gamma_{\text{inc}}/\pi^0}{\gamma_{\text{decay}}/\pi^0_{\text{param}}}$$

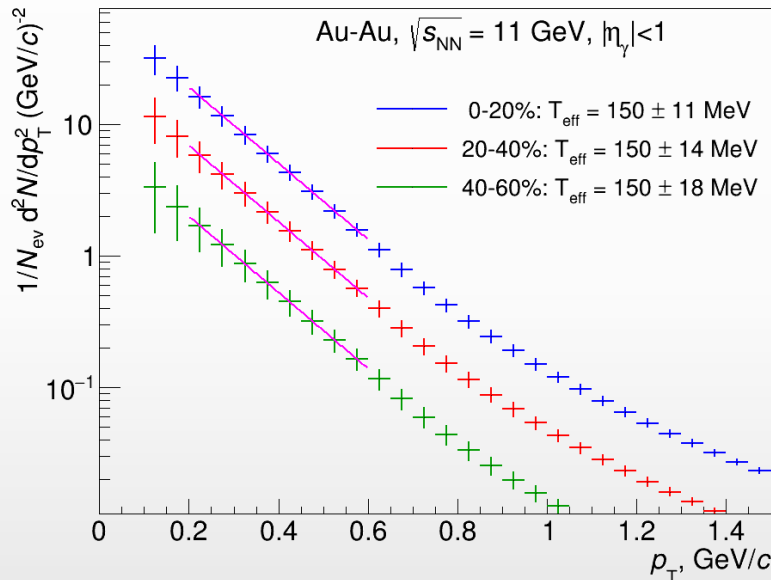
$$\gamma_{\text{direct}} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{R_\gamma}\right) \cdot \gamma_{\text{inc}}$$



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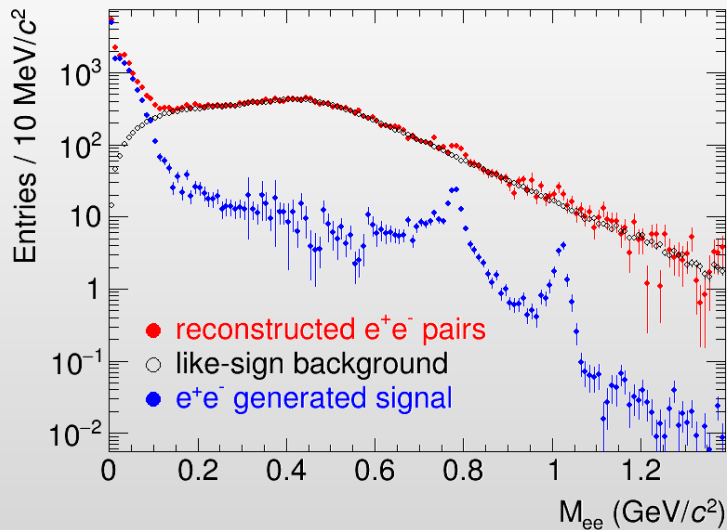
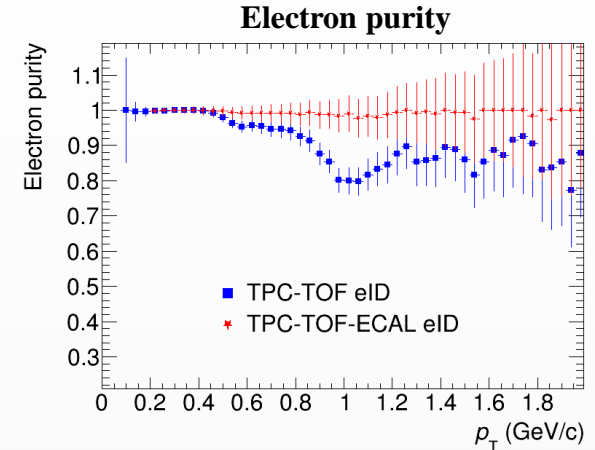
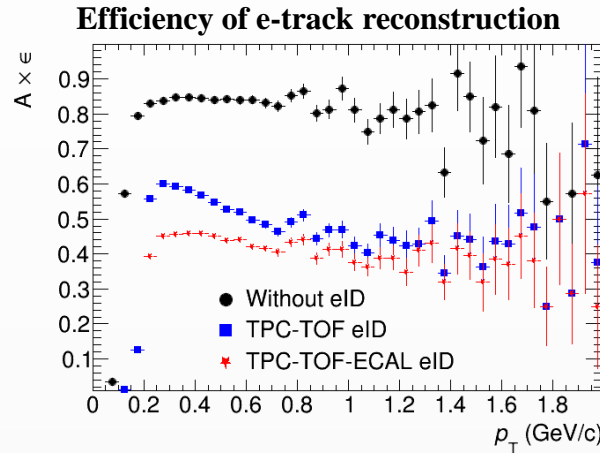
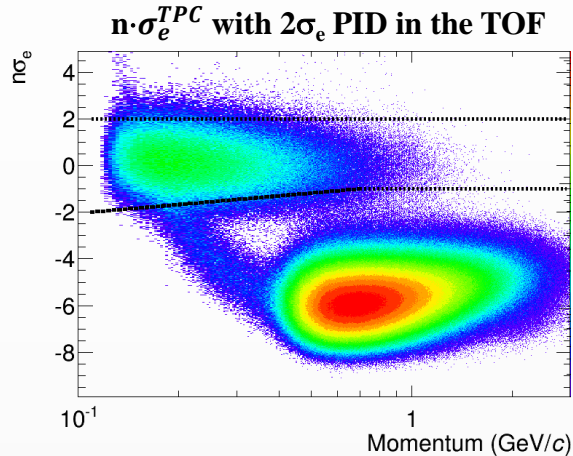
- Non-zero direct photon yields are predicted, $R_\gamma \sim 1.05 - 1.15$

- ❖ Photons can be measured in the ECAL or in the tracking system as e^+e^- conversion pairs (PCM)
- ❖ Main sources of systematic uncertainties for direct photons:
 - ✓ detector material budget \rightarrow conversion probability
 - ✓ π^0 reconstruction efficiency
 - ✓ p_T -shapes of π^0 and η production spectra



- ❖ ECAL and PCM for photon reconstruction and measurement of neutral mesons (background)
- ❖ With $R_\gamma \sim 1.1$ and $\delta R_\gamma/R_\gamma \sim 3\%$ \rightarrow uncertainty of $T_{\text{eff}} \sim 10\%$
- ❖ Development of reconstruction techniques and estimation of needed statistics are in progress
 - \rightarrow MPD can provide unique measurements for direct photon production @ NICA energies

- ❖ Dielectron spectra are sensitive probes of the deconfinement and the chiral symmetry restoration
- ❖ AuAu@11 GeV (UrQMD for background & PHQMD for signal)



- ❖ S/B (integrated in 0.2-1.5 GeV/c²) ~ 5-10%
- ❖ Methods to improve S/B ratio while preserving reasonable efficiency for the pairs are being developed and matured

Summary

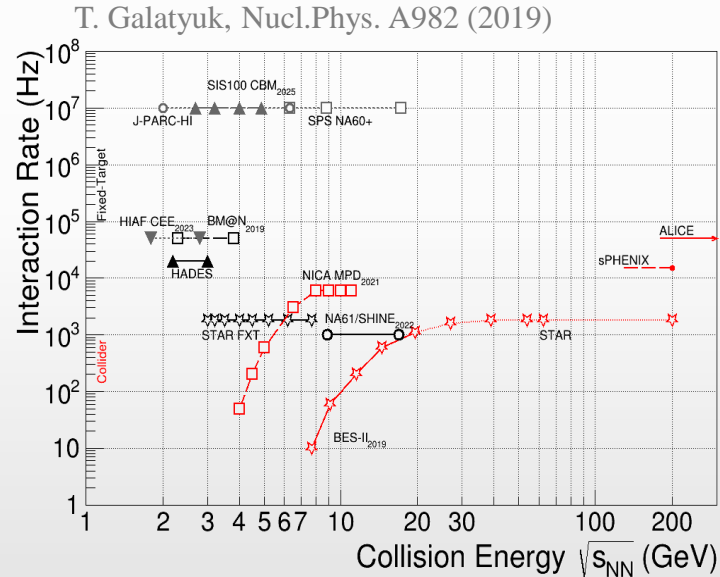
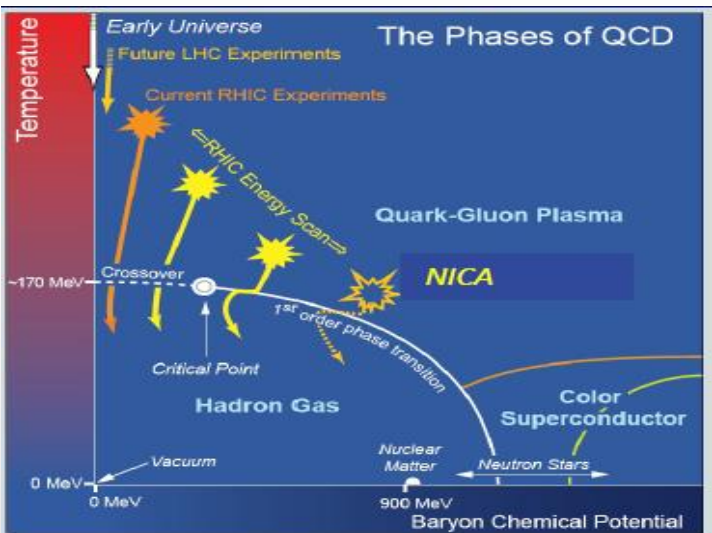
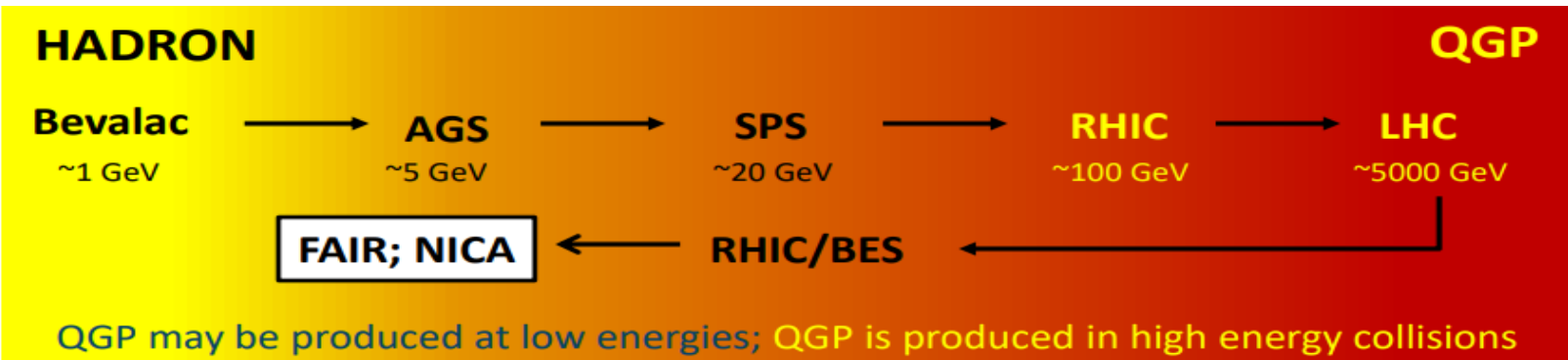


- ❖ Физическая программа эксперимента MPD не окончательная и каждый вклад важен
- ❖ ПИЯФ разработал и построил газовую систему детектора TPC, а также внес значительный вклад в создание программного обеспечения электромагнитного калориметра ECAL
- ❖ Сотрудники ПИЯФ участвуют в работе многих рабочих групп в коллаборации MPD и вносят свой вклад их полученные результаты
- ❖ Новые участники приветствуются!

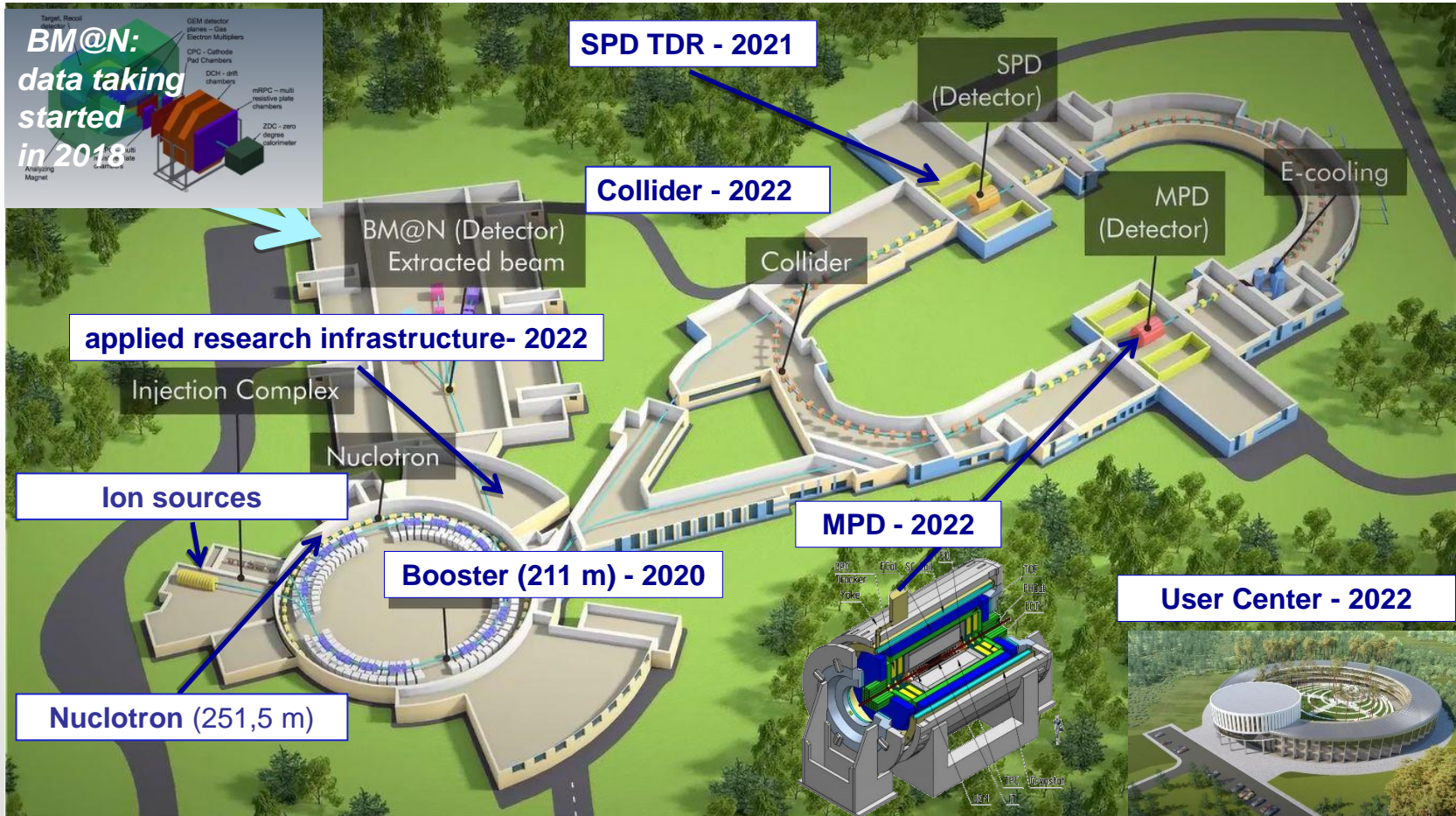
С НОВЫМ ГОДОМ!

BACKUP

Introduction

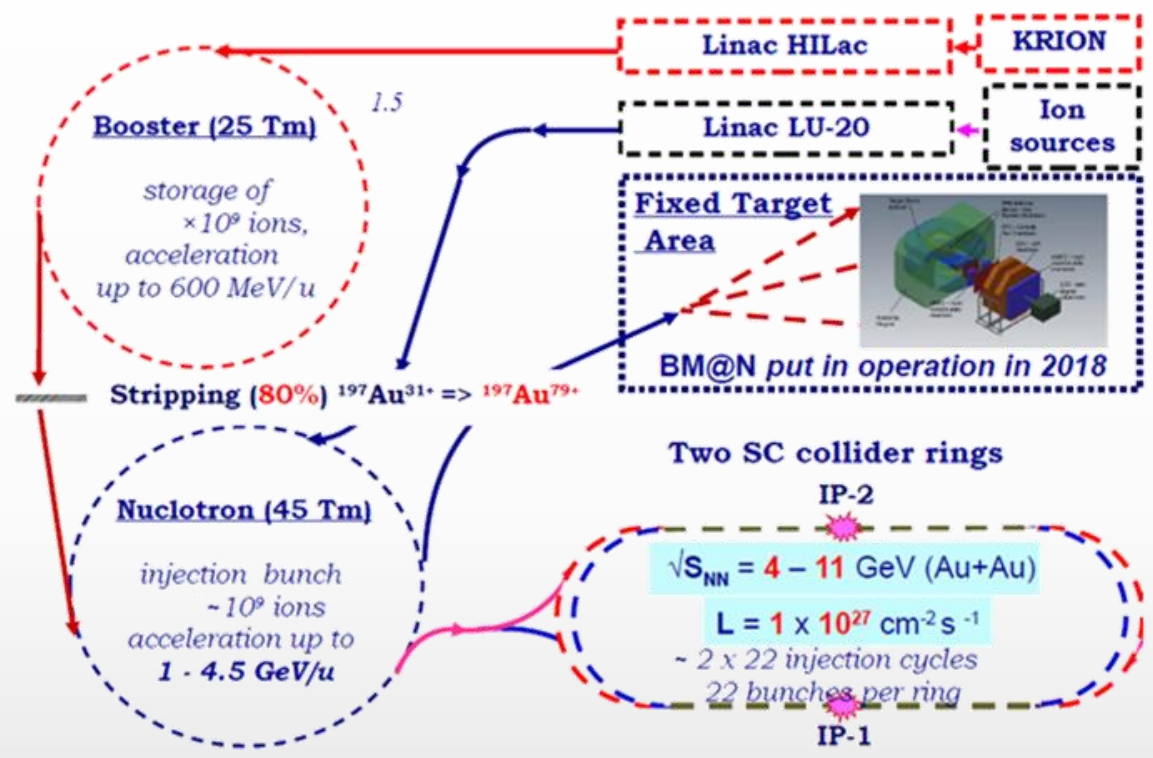


- ❖ Study of the QCD medium at extreme net baryon densities, phase transition at $\rho_c \sim 5\rho_0$
- ❖ Studied in several ongoing and future experiments:
 - ✓ collider experiments: maximum phase space, minimally biased acceptance, free of target parasitic effects
 - ✓ fixed-target experiments: high rate of interactions, easily upgradeable, better vertex-finder for heavy flavor decays



- ❖ Budget ~ 500 M\$
- ❖ First collisions in MPD – end of 2023

Accelerator Complex in Dubna



❖ Expected limitations in Stage-I:

- ✓ without electron cooling in collider, with stochastic cooling, reduced number of RFs → not-optimal beam optics
- ✓ reduced luminosity ($\sim 10^{25}$ is the goal for 2023) → collision rate ~ 100 Hz
- ✓ collision system available with the current sources: C (A=12), N (A=14), Ar (A=40), Fe (A=56), Kr (A=78-86), Xe (A=124-134), Bi (A=209) → start with Bi+Bi @ 9.2 GeV in 2023, Au+Au @ 4-11 GeV to come later

- ❖ Year 2021:
 - ✓ extensive commissioning of Booster
 - ✓ heavy-ion (Fe/Kr/Xe) run of full Booster + Nuclotron setup

- ❖ Year 2022:
 - ✓ completion of collider and Nuclotron-to-collider transfer lines
 - ✓ assembly of the MPD detector

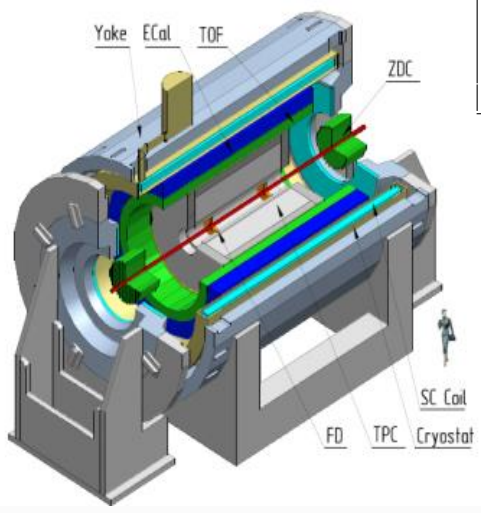
- ❖ Year 2023:
 - ✓ technical run with Bi+Bi @ 9.2 GeV (7.7 GeV is the second priority) with luminosity $\sim 10^{25} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
 - ✓ collect $\sim 100 \text{ M}$ minimum bias events with the MPD to be used for detector alignment, calibration and physics

- ❖ Year 2024:
 - ✓ Au+Au beams (source), beam acceleration in collider up to top energy (Au+Au @ 11 GeV)

- ❖ Year 2025 and beyond:
 - ✓ reaching design luminosity, system size and collision energy scan by request

Multi-Purpose Detector

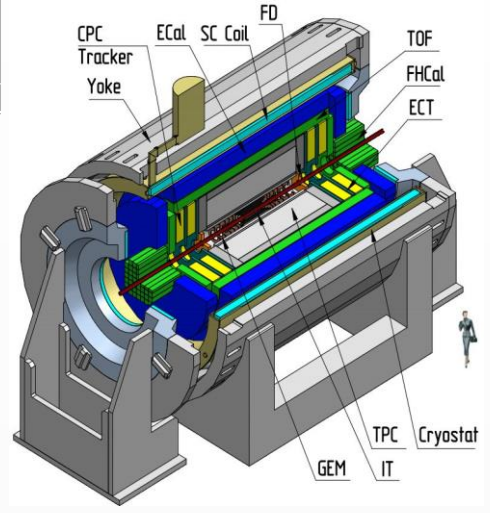
Stage- I



Length	340 cm
Vessel outer radius	140 cm
Vessel inner radius	27 cm
Default magnetic field	0.5 T
Drift gas mixture	90% Ar+10% CH ₄
Maximum event rate	7 kHz ($L = 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$)



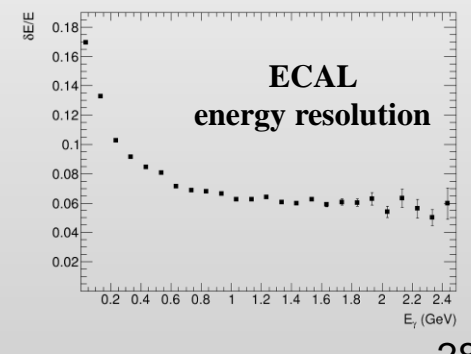
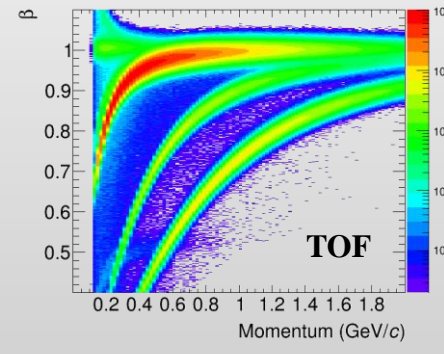
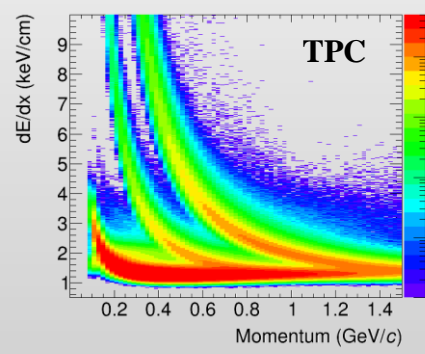
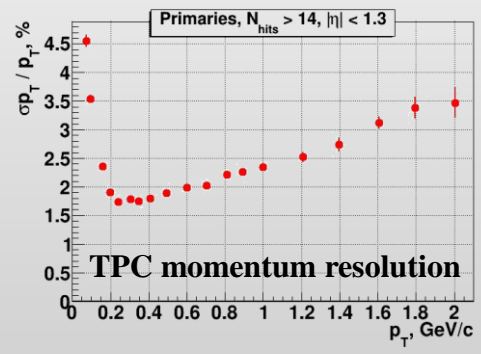
Stage- II



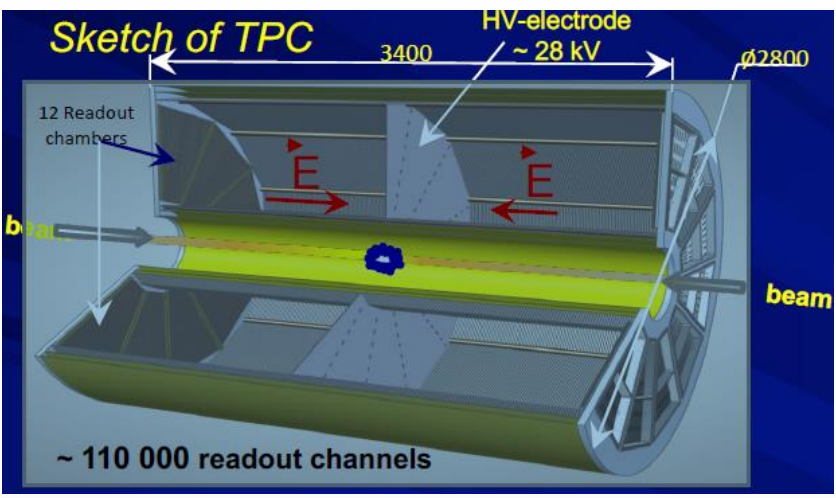
- TPC:** $|\Delta\phi| < 2\pi, |\eta| \leq 1.6$
- TOF, EMC:** $|\Delta\phi| < 2\pi, |\eta| \leq 1.4$
- FFD:** $|\Delta\phi| < 2\pi, 2.9 < |\eta| < 3.3$
- FHCAL:** $|\Delta\phi| < 2\pi, 2 < |\eta| < 5$

- + **ITS** (heavy-flavor measurements)
- + **forward spectrometers**

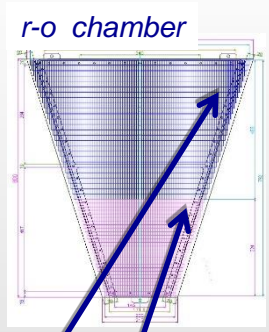
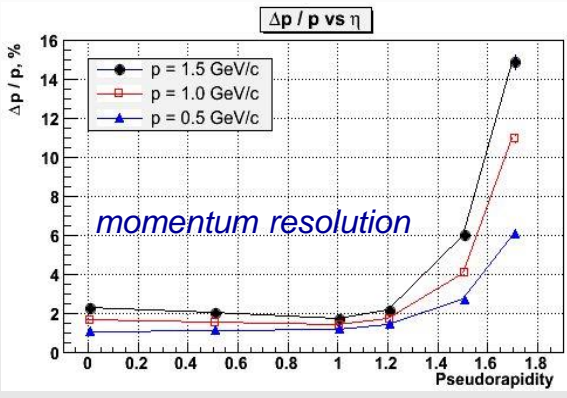
Au+Au @ 11 GeV (UrQMD + full chain reconstruction)



Time Projection Chamber (TPC): main tracker



length	340 cm
outer Radii	140 cm
inner Radii	27 cm
gas	90%Ar+10%CH ₄
drift velocity	5.45 cm / μs;
drift time	< 30 μs;
# R-O chamb.	12 + 12
# pads/ chan.	95 232
max rate	< 7kGz (L= 10 ²⁷)



FE electronics: FEC64SAM – dual SAMPA card (ALICE technology)


pad structure:
 - rows – 53
 - large pads 5 × 18 mm²

Read-Out Chambers (ROCs) are ready and tested (production at JINR)
 113 Electronics sets (8%) produced
 Two sites (Moscow, Minsk) tested for electronics production
 C1-C2 and C3-C4 cylinders assembled
 TPC flange under finalization

- ❖ Pb+Sc "Shashlyk" read-out: WLS fibers + MAPD $L \sim 35 \text{ cm} (\sim 14 X_0)$
- ❖ Segmentation ($4 \times 4 \text{ cm}^2$) $\sigma(E)$ better than 5% @ 1 GeV time resolution $\sim 500 \text{ ps}$

Barrel ECAL = 38400 ECAL towers (2x25 half-sectors x 6x8 modules/half-sector x 16 towers/module)

So far ~300 modules (16 towers each) = 3 sectors are produced
 Another 3 sectors are planned to be completed by May 2022
 Chinese collaborators will produce 8 sectors by the end of 2022
 25% of all modules are produced by JINR (production area in Protvino) 75% produced in China, currently funding is secured for approx. 25%

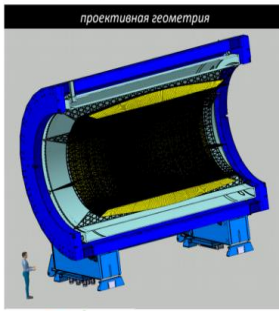
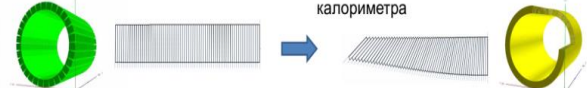


Электро-магнитный
Готовиться совместный прое

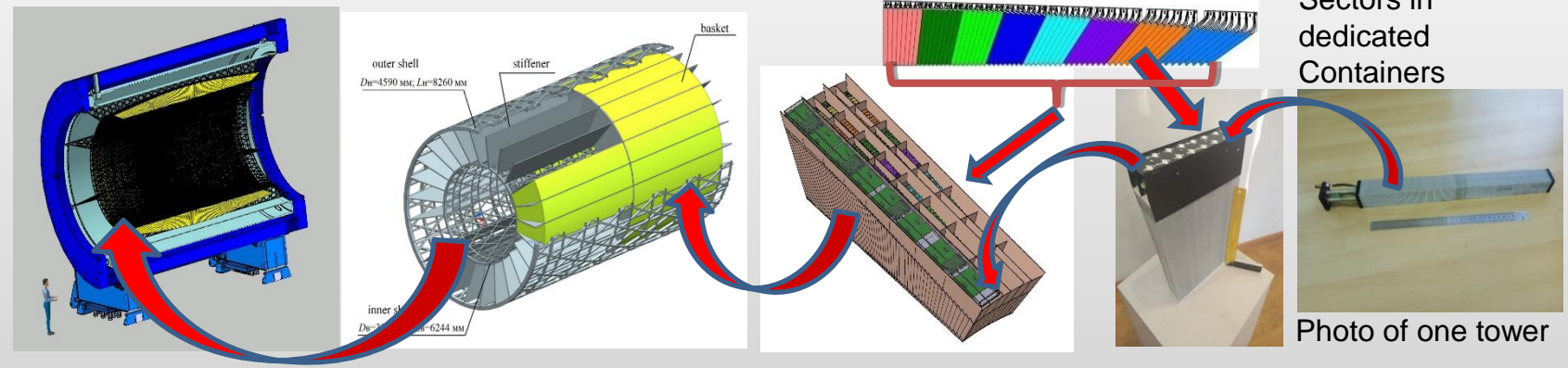
ECAL
куа, Китай

выяснили, что стандартная геометрия калориметра не дает нужных параметров

- В результате исследований и обсуждений с экспертами DAC, в апреле 2016 года пришли к единственно подходящему решению удовлетворяющему нашим требованиям – это Калориметр типа шашлык в проективной геометрии.
- Впервые в калориметрии предложена проективная геометрия. Идея доложена на Совещании по калориметрии в Париже в 2017 году.
- Разработана технология сборки башен и модулей калориметра

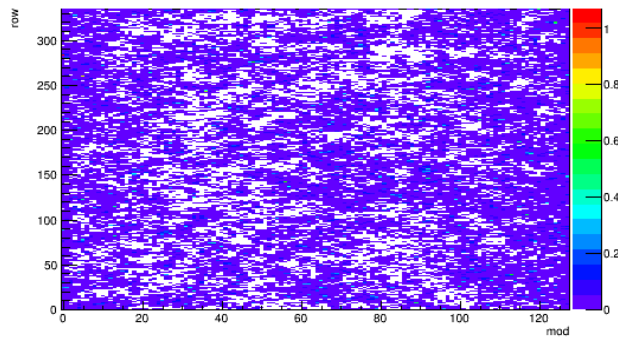
Projective geometry



- Correct reconstruction of electromagnetic signals:
 - ✓ Unfolding of merged clusters
 - ✓ Cluster energy and coordinate correction (depth, hade)
 - ✓ Distance to the closest track (dphi, dz + track identifier)
 - ✓ MC contributors
 - ✓ Adequate performance (<20% of total event processing time)
- Algorithms of electromagnetic signals selection development:
 - ✓ Shower shape, comparison with expected shape
 - ✓ Cluster elliptic shape analysis
 - ✓ Matching parametrization vs. p_T , charge ...
- Friendly interface for users:
 - ✓ Documentation and examples hot to use developed software
 - ✓ Recommendations on the methods for signal selection
- Estimation of ECAL capabilities for physics studies:
 - ✓ photons, mesons, (di)leptons and so on.

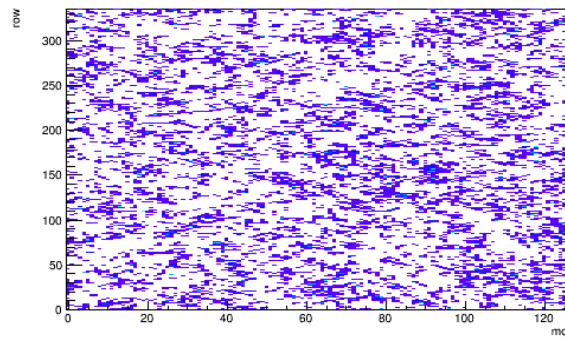
- Compared to calorimeters in other HI collider experiments at RHIC/LHC:
 - ✓ softer signals \rightarrow bad for resolution, $\sigma(E) \sim 1/\sqrt{E}$
 - ✓ smaller radius, 2 m vs. ~ 5 m \rightarrow higher signal density and higher importance of spatial resolution
- UrQMD, AuAu@11, $b \sim 1$ fm \rightarrow most central collisions
- Optimistic/realistic estimate of the minimum tower threshold is $E_{\min} \sim 5$ MeV
- Occupancy is $\sim 27\%$ \rightarrow comparable to that in higher energy experiments

$E_{\min} = 0$ MeV



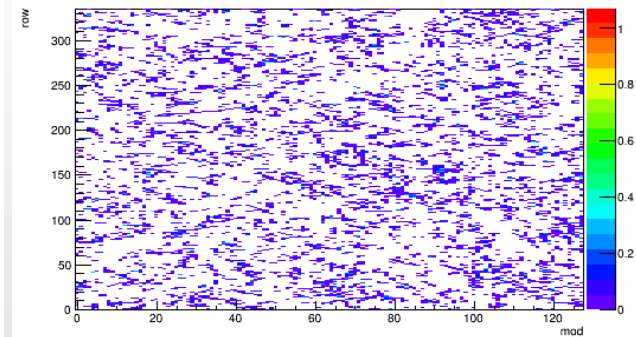
occupancy ~ 0.72

$E_{\min} = 5$ MeV



occupancy ~ 0.27

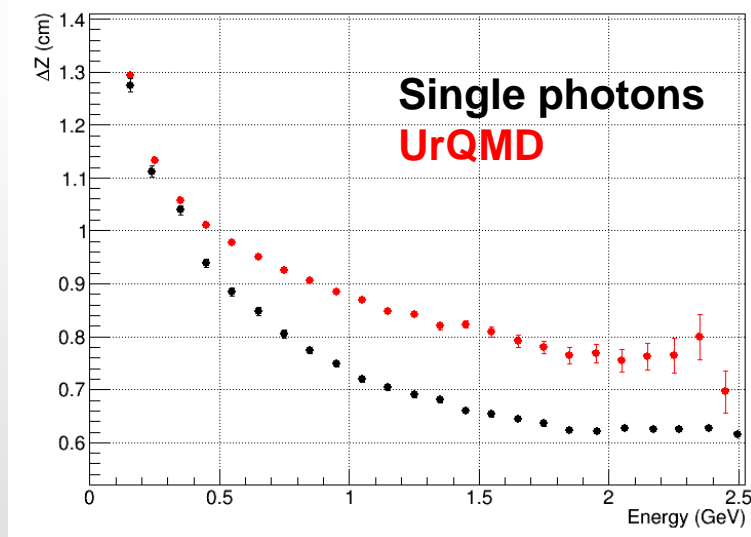
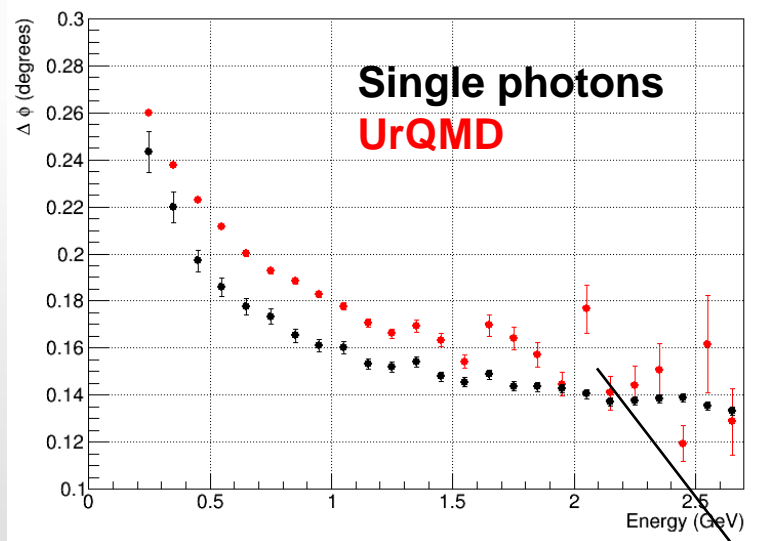
$E_{\min} = 10$ MeV



occupancy ~ 0.20

MPD-ECAL spatial resolution for photons

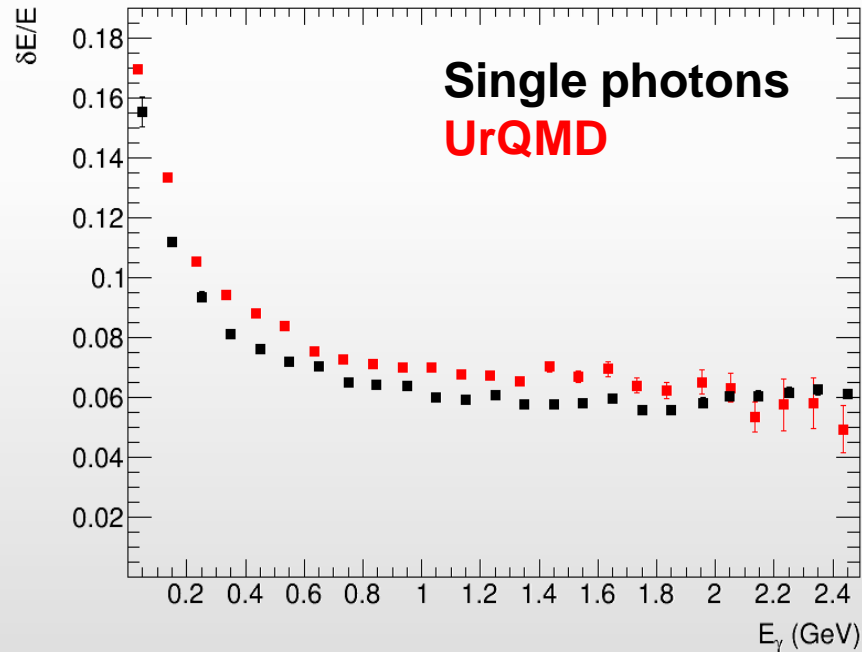
- UrQMD, minbias AuAu@11, realistic vertex distribution, selected photons
- Spatial resolution is energy dependent
- Comparable for single photons and photons in high-multiplicity events
- Achieved resolution is good enough \rightarrow does not significantly affect: (1) the mass resolution for neutral mesons in the expected p_T range of measurements; (2) width of track-to-cluster and cluster-to-track matching



$$\sim 180 \text{ cm} * \tan(0.15 \text{ degrees}) = 0.5 \text{ cm}$$

MPD-ECAL energy resolution for γ/e

- UrQMD, minbias AuAu@11, realistic vertex distribution, selected photons
- Energy resolution is energy dependent, $\delta E/E \sim 1/\sqrt{E}$
- Energy resolution defines width of the reconstructed π^0/η , E/p peaks
- There is still potential for improvement (with better tower-by-tower calibration)



- Two-arms at ~ 3.2 m from the interaction point.
- Each arm consists of 44 individual modules.
- Module size $15 \times 15 \times 110 \text{ cm}^3$ (42 layers)
- Pb(16mm)+Scint.(4mm) sandwich
- 7 longitudinal sections
- 6 WLS-fiber/MAPD per section
- 7 MAPDs/module

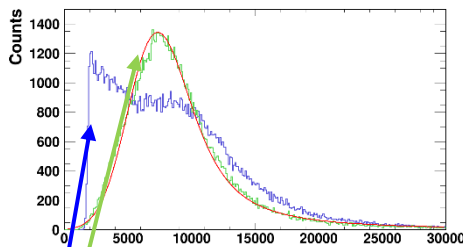
The activities with modules:

- Tests with cosmic muons;
- Tests of Front-End-Electronics (FEE);
- Study of FEE electronic noises;
- Development of FHCAL trigger;
- Development of Slow Control.



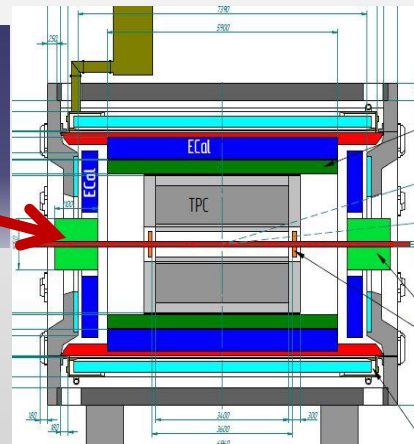
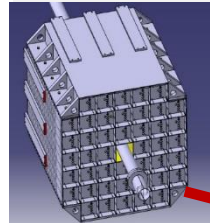
- All (90+spare) FHCAL modules are assembled and are used for the tests.
- 100 Front-End-Electronics (FEE) boards are produced and tested.

FHCAL energy calibration with cosmic

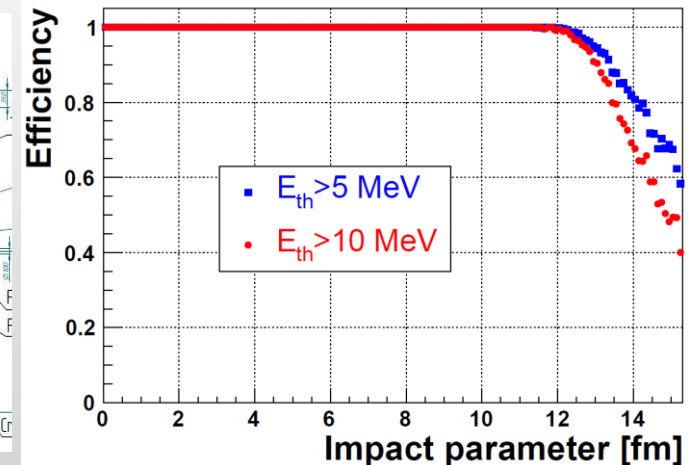


Raw spectrum in a single section

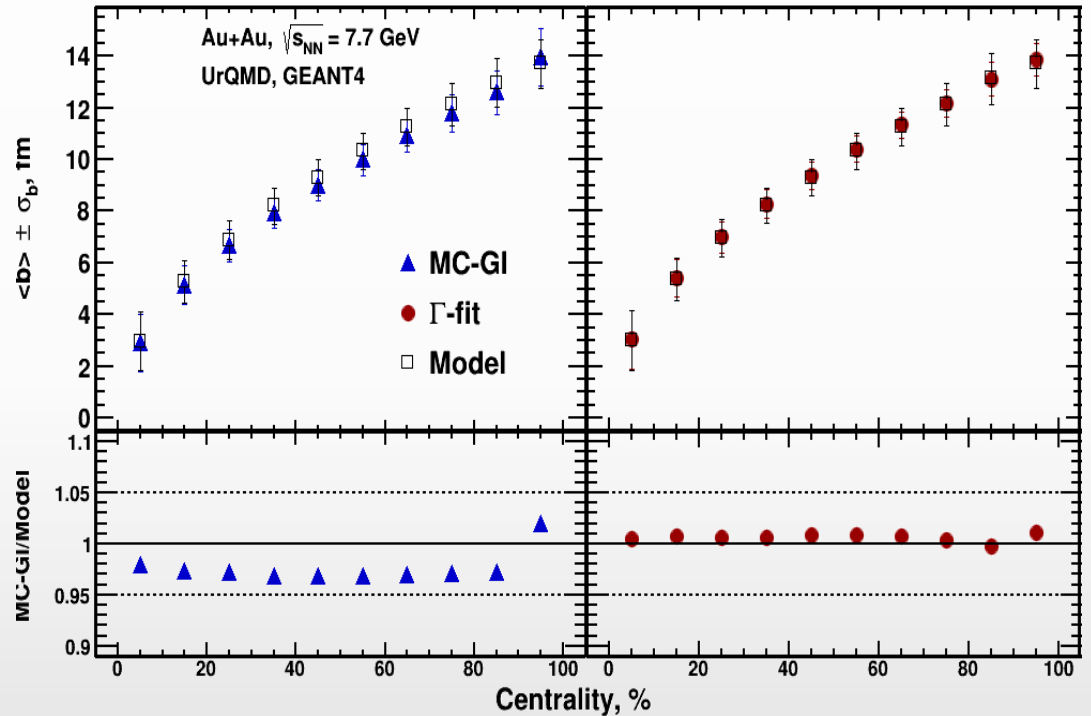
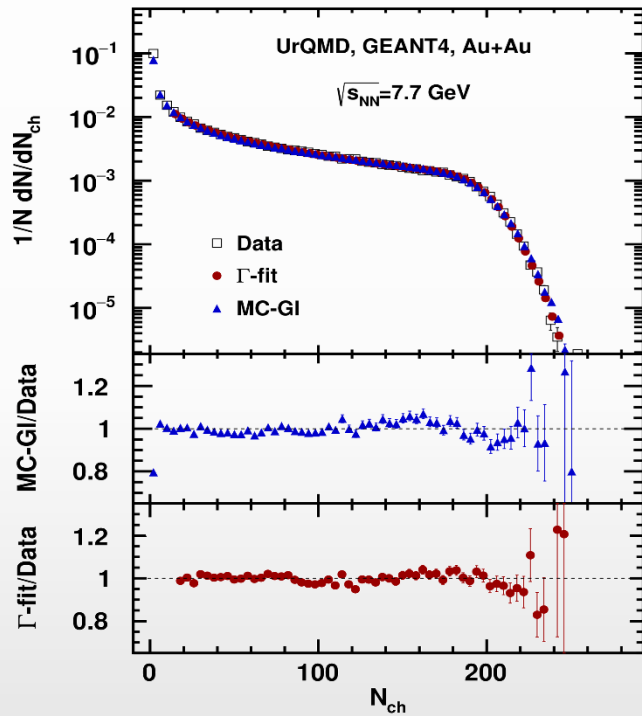
Corrected to the pass length in scintillators



FHCAL Trigger efficiency



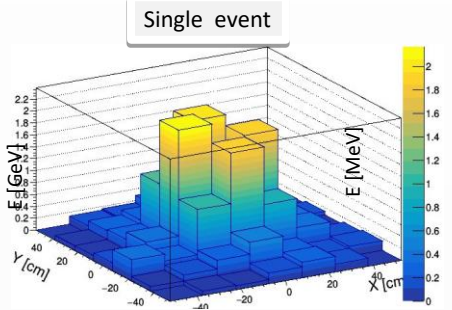
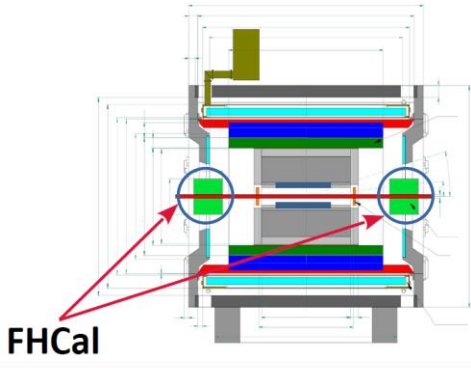
- ❖ AuAu@7.7 GeV (UrQMD)
- ❖ Reconstruction of the impact parameter by **MC Glauber (MC-GI)** and by **Bayesian inversion method (Γ -fit)**



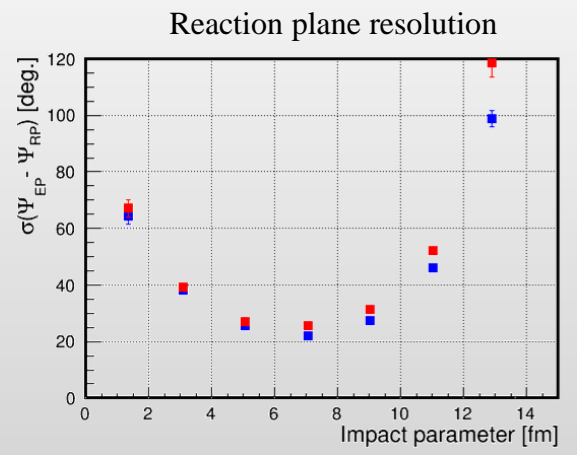
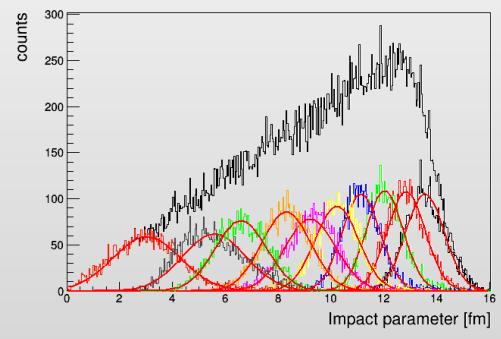
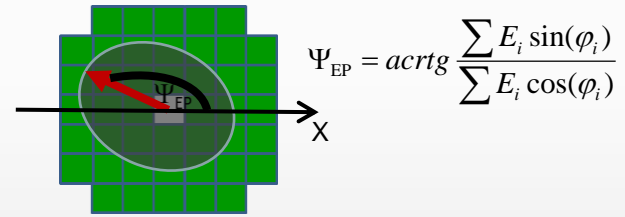
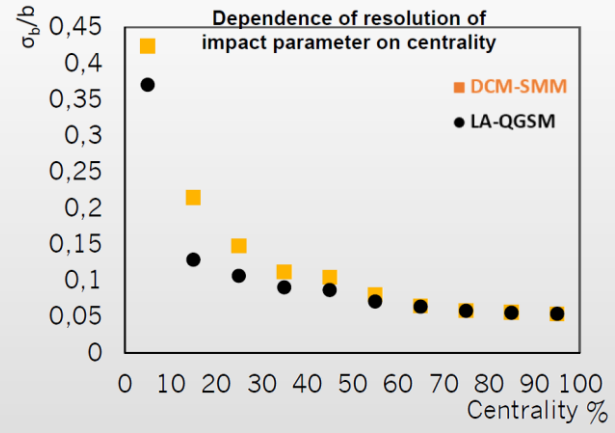
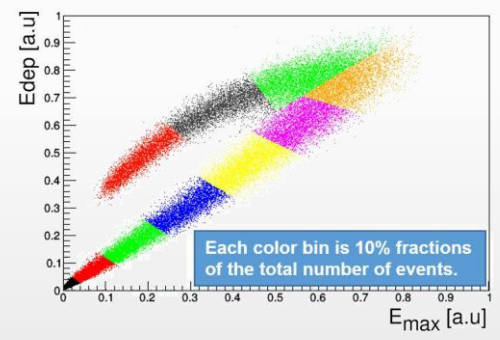
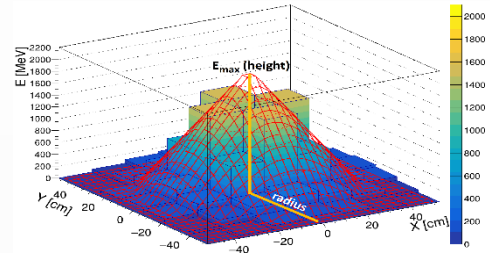
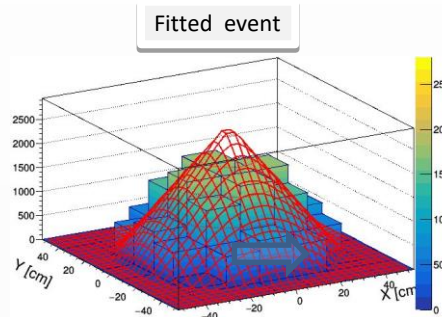
- ❖ Comparable results with PHSD and SMASH event generators at different energies

Centrality and reaction plane by FHCAL

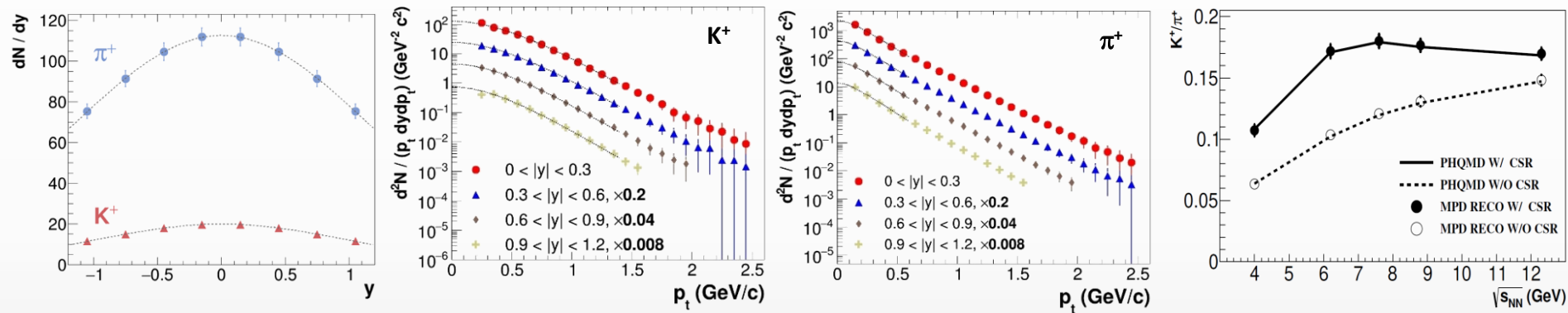
❖ FHCAL is a hadronic calorimeter, $\sim 1 \text{ m}^2$, segmentation $15 \times 15 \text{ cm}^2$, $2 < |\eta| < 5$



Two-dimensional fit of the energy depositions in FHCAL



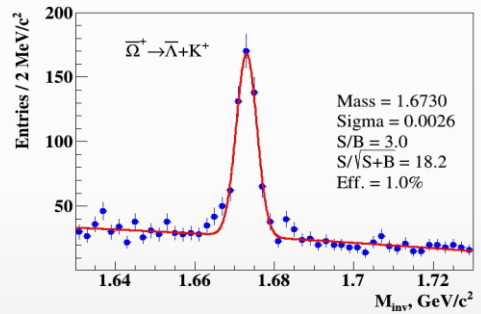
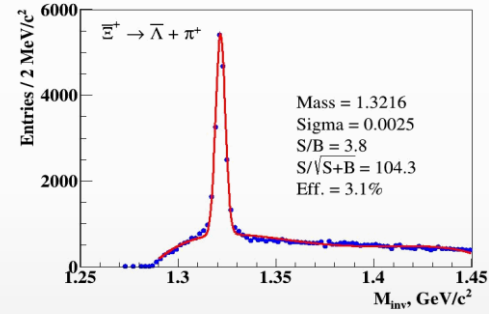
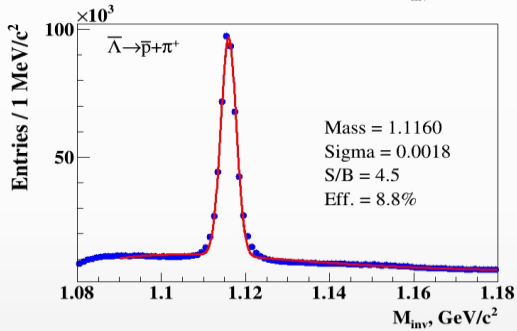
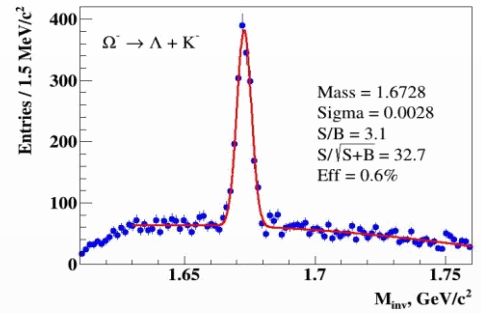
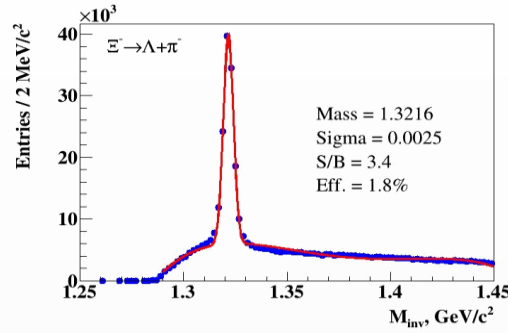
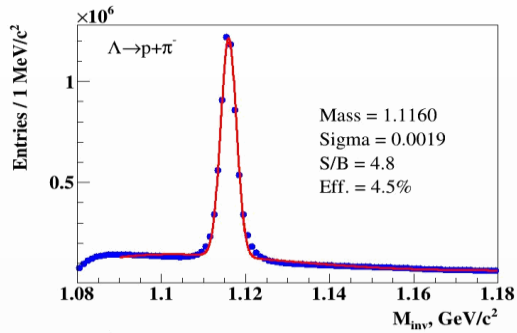
- ❖ Particle spectra, yields and ratios probe bulk properties of the fireball and flow
- ❖ Advantage of the MPD is in large and uniform acceptance, excellent PID capabilities using combined analysis of TPC (dE/dx) and TOF signals
- ❖ 0-5% central AuAu@9 GeV (PHSD, with partonic phase and chiral symmetry restoration effects):



- ✓ MPD samples $\sim 70\%$ of the $\pi/K/p$ production in the full phase space
- ✓ hadron spectra are measured from 0.2 MeV/c to 2.5 GeV/c in transverse momentum with the TPC&TOF
- ✓ unmeasured hadron yields at low p_T and large values of rapidity can be extracted from extrapolation of the measured spectra (B-W for p_T spectra and Gaussian for rapidity spectra in exemplar above)

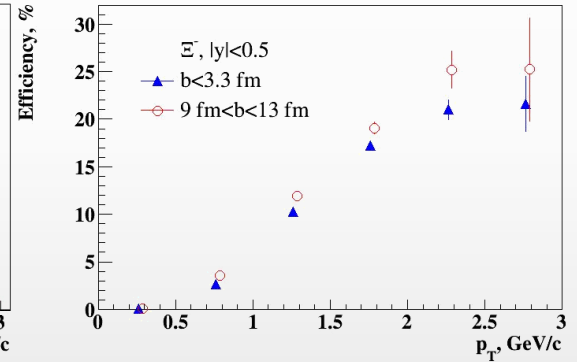
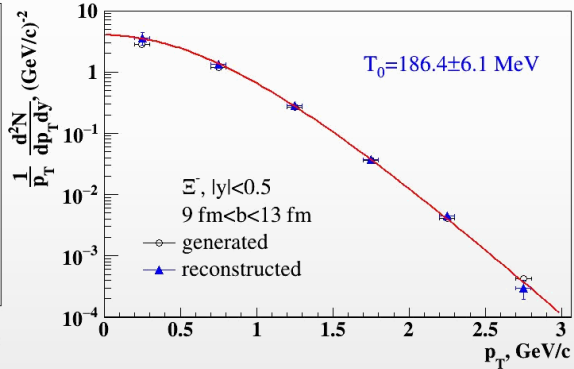
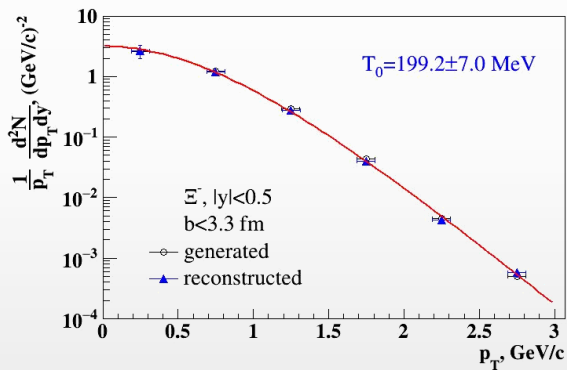
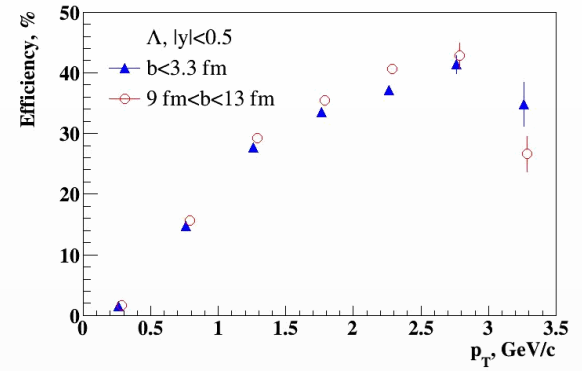
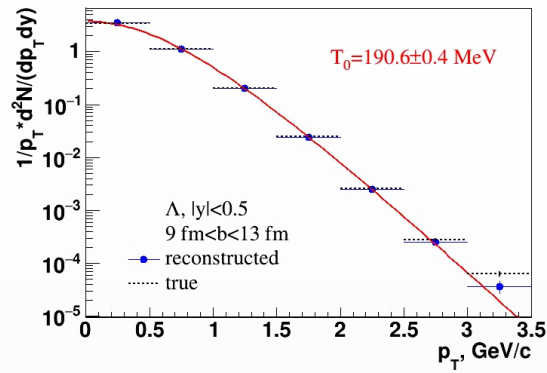
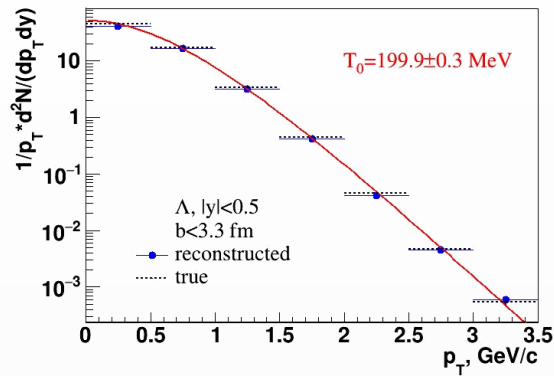
- ❖ Ability to cover full energy range of the “horn” with consistent acceptance across different collision systems and collision energies

❖ AuAu@11 GeV (PHSD):



- ✓ Strange baryons can be reconstructed with good S/B ratios using charged hadron identification in the TPC&TOF and different decay topology selections
- ✓ Relative yields of the baryons for ~ 500 M sampled events:

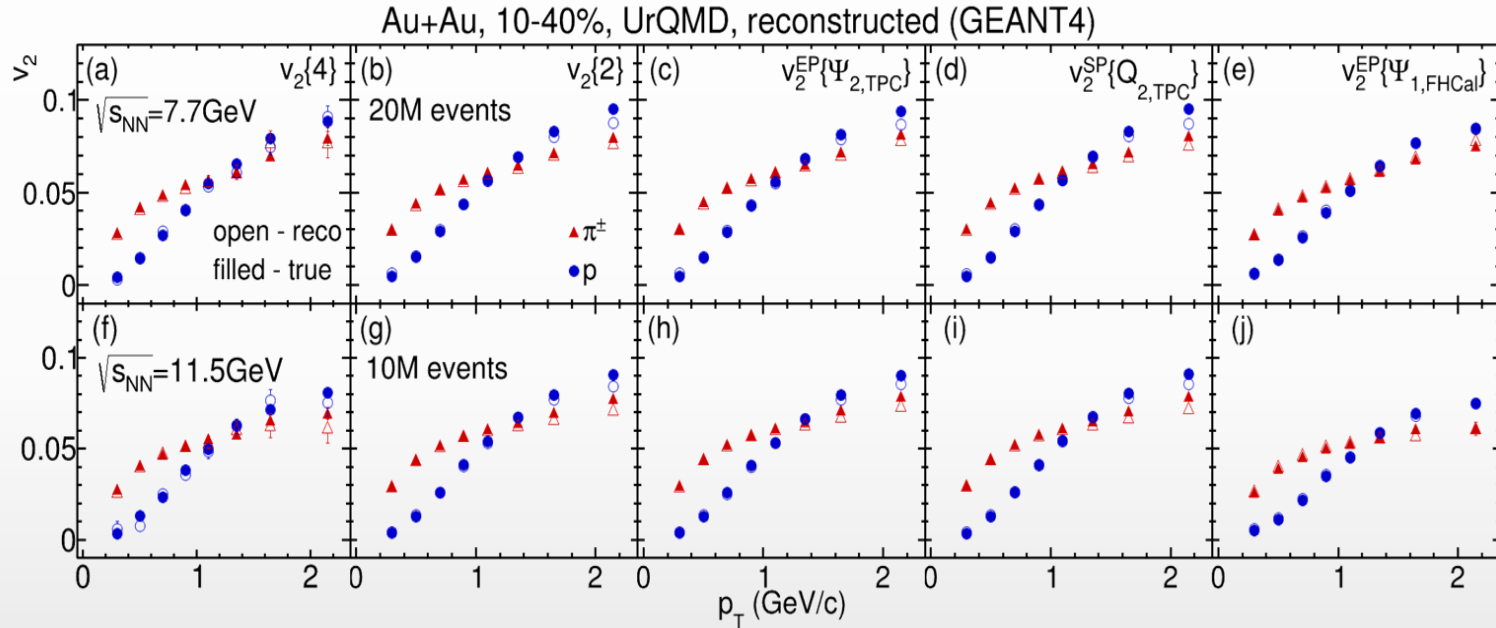
Λ	anti- Λ	Ξ^-	anti- Ξ^+	Ω^-	anti- Ω^+
$3 \cdot 10^8$	$3.5 \cdot 10^6$	$1.5 \cdot 10^6$	$8.0 \cdot 10^4$	$7 \cdot 10^4$	$1.5 \cdot 10^4$



- ✓ Capability to reconstruct baryon yields down to low momenta with reasonable efficiencies
- ✓ High- p_T reach is limited by statistics
- ✓ Reconstructed spectra are consistent with the generated ones → MC closure test

v_2 for pions and protons

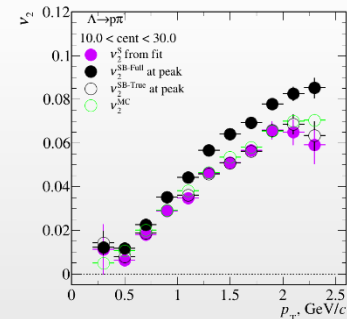
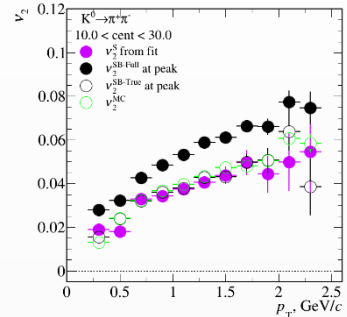
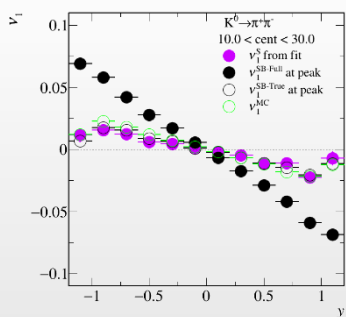
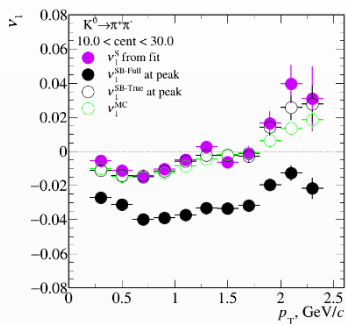
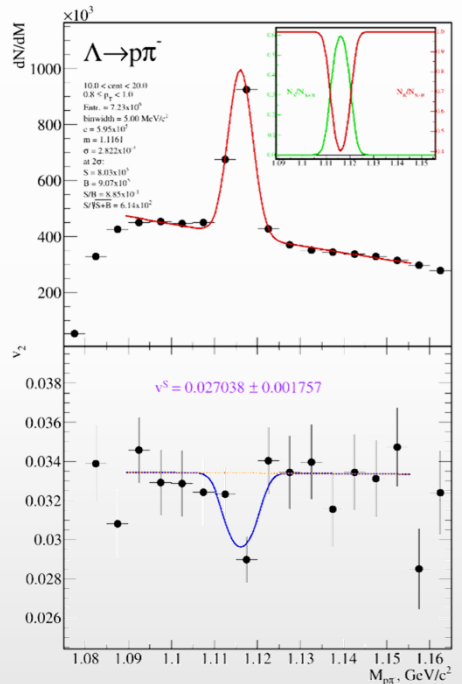
- ❖ Flow has high sensitivity to the transport properties of the QCD matter: EoS, speed of sound (c_s), specific viscosity (η/s), etc.
- ❖ Lack of existing differential measurements of v_n vs. p_T , centrality, species, etc.)



- ❖ Reconstructed and generated v_2 of pions and protons are in good agreement for all methods

- ❖ 25 M AuAu@11 GeV (UrQMD)
- ❖ Differential flow signal extraction using invariant mass fit method

$$v_2^{SB}(m_{inv}, p_T) = v_2^S(p_T) \frac{N^S(m_{inv}, p_T)}{N^{SB}(m_{inv}, p_T)} + v_2^B(m_{inv}, p_T) \frac{N^B(m_{inv}, p_T)}{N^{SB}(m_{inv}, p_T)}$$

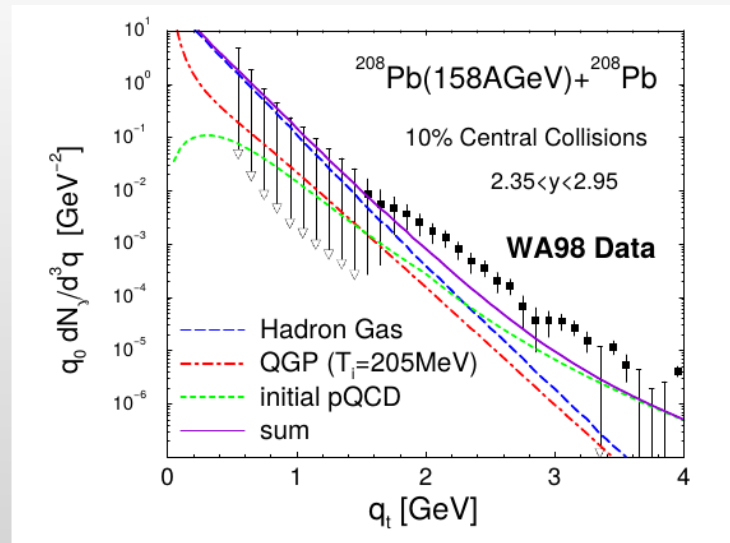
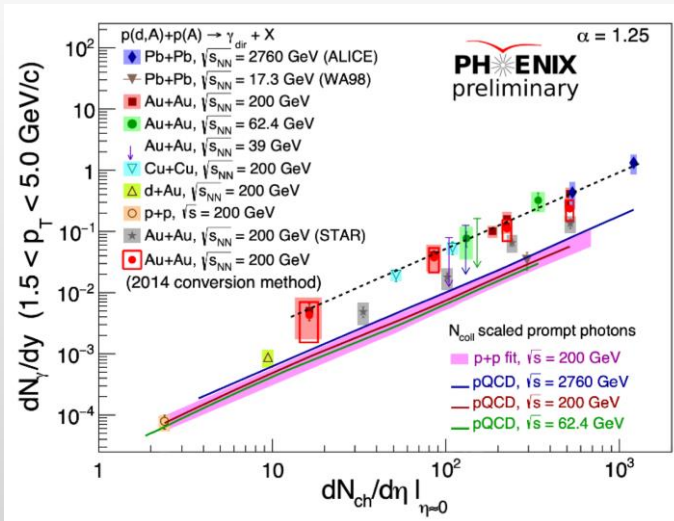
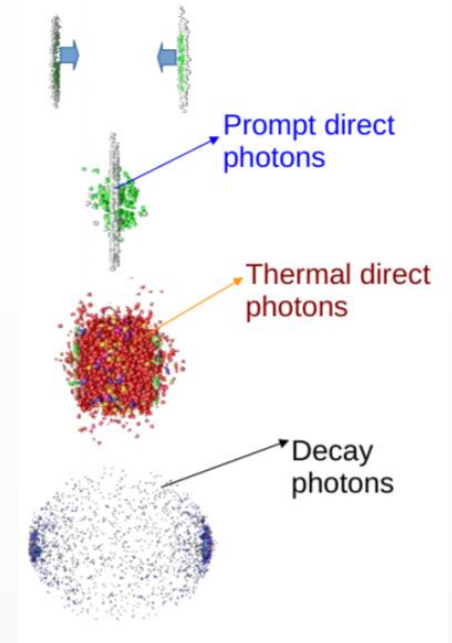


v_1/v_2 flow after fit
 Measured flow for (S+BG)
 Measured flow for true pairs
 Flow from event generator

- ❖ Reasonable agreement between reconstructed and generated v_n signals for K_S^0 and Λ

Photons: Motivation

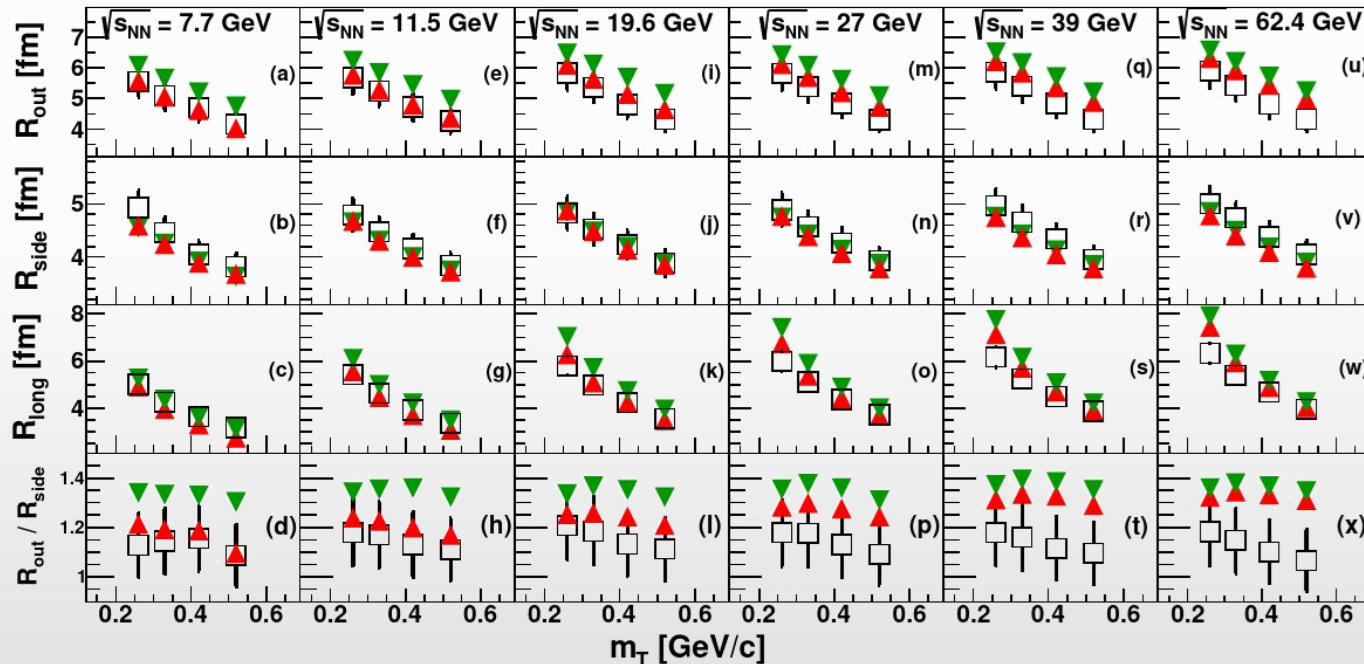
- Direct photons – photons not from hadronic decays.
- Produced throughout the system evolution:
 - ✓ QCD matter is transparent for photons, once produced they leave the interaction region unaffected preserving their properties
 - ✓ estimation of the effective system temperature at low energy
 - ✓ hard scattering probe at high energy
- Experimental measurements in A+A collisions are available from the LHC (2.76 TeV), RHIC (62-200 GeV) and WA98 (17.2 GeV)
- No measurements at NICA energies, interested in the measurement of direct photon yields and flow vs. p_T and centrality



Two particle correlations

- ❖ Femtoscopy is used in heavy-ion collision to determine the size of the particle-emitting region and space-time evolution of the produced system.
- ❖ Measurement for pions are straightforward and robust, large discovery potential in correlations for kaons and protons, as well as correlations including hyperons

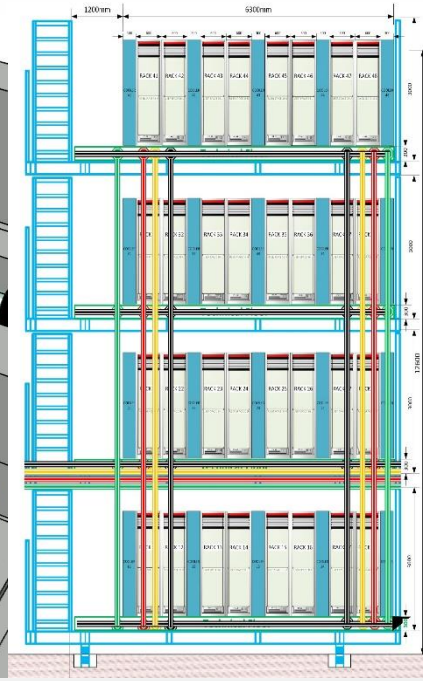
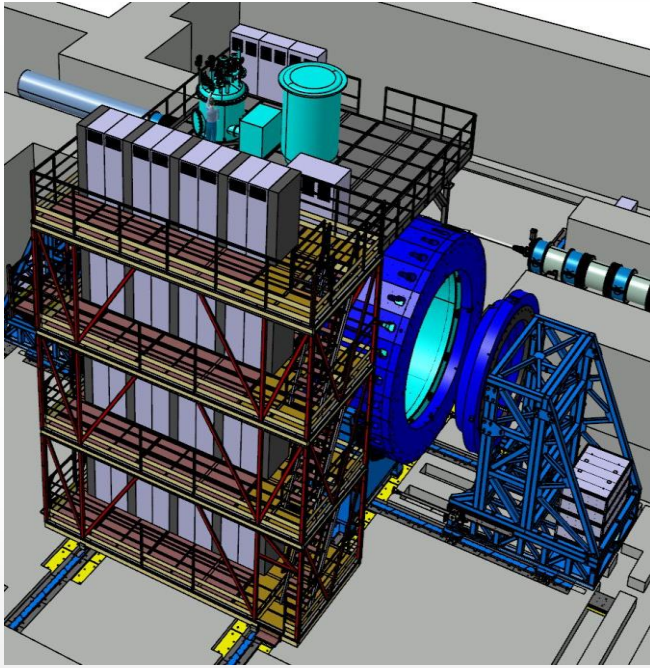
AuAu@7.7 GeV (vHLL), extracted 3D pion radii versus m_T vs. STAR data (PRC 96, 024911(2017))



1st order phase transition
cross-over transition

- ❖ Simulations predict sensitivity of pion source size to the nature of the phase transition

MPD Electronics Platform



- Electronics platform has 4 levels with 8 racks on each level
- Each Rack provides cooling, fire safety and radiation control system
- Cable ducts connect detectors inside of MPD and Electronics Platform
- The mechanical part of the Platform is ready



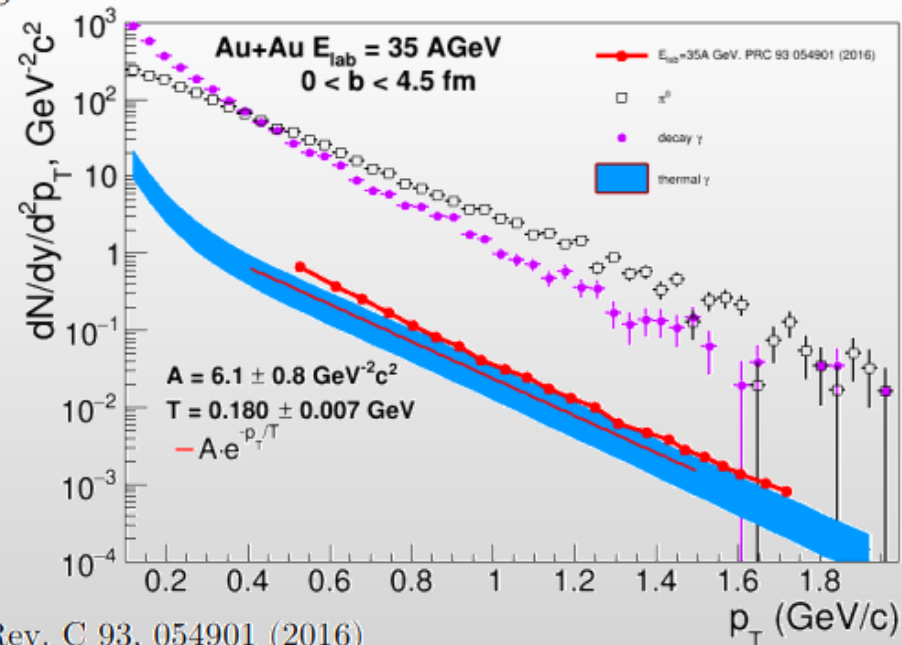
The design of the MPD Electronics Platform is a major contribution of the Polish groups to MPD
M. Peryt (WUT) – leader of the „Engineering Support” Sector of VBLHEP

Simulation setup

- ✓ UrQMD v3.4 with hybrid model (3+1d hydro, **bag model** EoS, hadronic rescattering and resonances within UrQMD)
- ✓ π^0 and decay photon spectrum are calculated **within the same simulation**
- ✓ impact parameter range $0 < b < 9$ fm
- ✓ In hydrodynamical evolution, for each volume we calculate thermal gamma yield based on T , energy density (e), QGP fraction, baryonic chemical potential. We integrate these yields over time (until freeze-out time) and space.
- ✓ Two extreme cases: calculate thermal gamma emission from the volume above freeze-out criterion ($e > e_{\text{freezeout}}$), or calculate for all volumes. Reality somewhere in between (all volumes interact during hydro evolution). Comparing these options one can estimate theoretical uncertainties

$$\frac{d^3 N^{\gamma, \text{therm}}}{dy d^2 k_T} = \int_{\Omega} dV dt R_{\gamma}(k, T(x), \mu(x), u(x))$$

Why simulations in PRC 93 054901 (2016) and PRC 81 044904 (2010) have almost the same yield despite ~5 times difference in energy (35 vs 158 AGeV)?



The Bayesian inversion method (Γ -fit): main assumptions

• Relation between multiplicity N_{ch} and impact parameter b is defined by the fluctuation kernel:

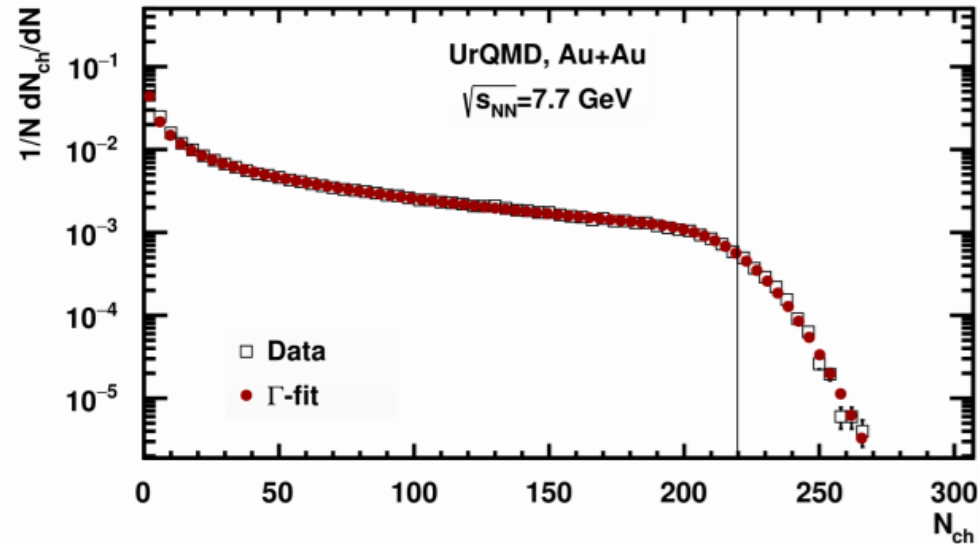
$$P(N_{ch}|c_b) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(k(c_b))\theta^k} N_{ch}^{k(c_b)-1} e^{-n/\theta}$$

c_b – impact parameter based centrality

$$c_b = \frac{1}{\sigma_{inel}} \int_0^b P_{inel}(b') 2\pi b' db' \simeq \frac{\pi b^2}{\sigma_{inel}}$$

σ_{inel} – geometrical inelastic NN cross section

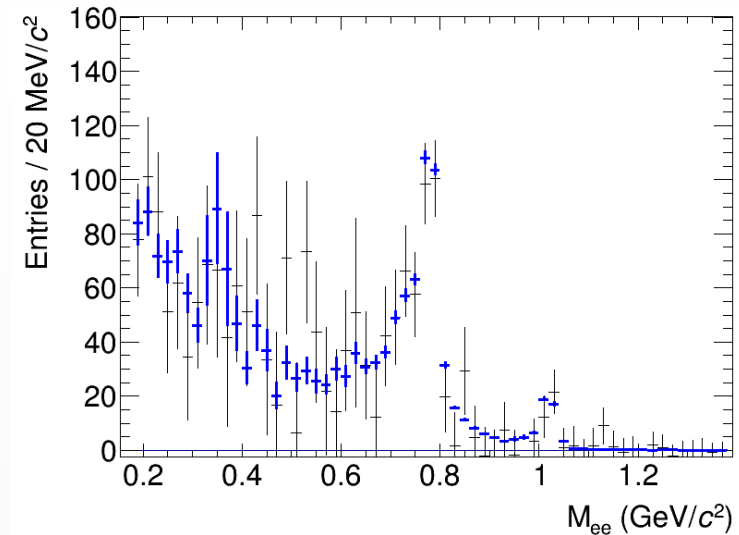
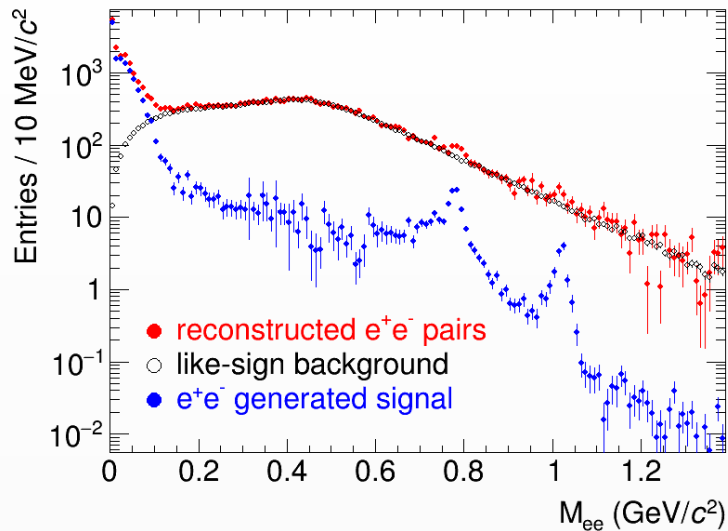
$P_{inel}(b)$ – probability of inelastic NN collision ($P_{inel}(b) \approx 1$)



R. Rogly, G. Giacalone and J. Y. Ollitrault, Phys.Rev. C98 (2018) no.2, 024902

Implementation in MPD: <https://github.com/Dim23/GammaFit>

Summary for dielectrons



- S/B (integrated in 0.2-1.5 GeV/c²) ~ 5-10%
- Methods to improve S/B ratio with a minimal penalty for pair reconstruction are being developed and matured
- Meaningful measurements for e⁺e⁻ continuum and LVMs would require ~ 10⁸ AuAu/BiBi sampled events, first observations will be possible with ~50 M events

NICA and Nuclotron beams

NICA collider beams:

- Heavy ion collisions up to $^{197}\text{Au}^{79+} + ^{197}\text{Au}^{79+}$ at:

$$\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 4 - 11 \text{ GeV}, \quad L_{\text{average}} = 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$$

same or higher L_{average} for lighter ions

- Polarized proton and deuteron collisions:

$$p\uparrow p\uparrow \sqrt{s_{\text{pp}}} = 12 - 26 \text{ GeV} \quad L_{\text{max}} \approx 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$$

$$d\uparrow d\uparrow \sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 4 - 13.8 \text{ GeV}$$

Nuclotron extracted beams (for fixed target experiments):

- Light ions and polarized beams of p and d:

$$\text{Li} - \text{Au} = 1 - 4.5 \text{ GeV /u}$$

$$p\uparrow = 5 - 12.6 \text{ GeV}$$

$$d\uparrow = 2 - 5.9 \text{ GeV/u}$$



Main parameters of accelerator complex

Nuclotron

Parameter	SC synchrotron
particles	$\uparrow p, \uparrow d, \text{nuclei (Au, Bi, ...)}$
max. kinetic energy, GeV/u	10.71 ($\uparrow p$); 5.35 ($\uparrow d$) 3.8 (Au)
max. mag. rigidity, Tm	38.5
circumference, m	251.52
vacuum, Torr	10^{-9}
intensity, Au /pulse	$1 \cdot 10^9$

Booster

	value
ion species	$A/Z \leq 3$
max. energy, MeV/u	600
magnetic rigidity, T m	1.6 – 25.0
circumference, m	210.96
vacuum, Torr	10^{-11}
intensity, Au /pulse	$1.5 \cdot 10^9$

The Collider

Design parameters, Stage II

45 T*m, 11 GeV/u for Au⁷⁹⁺

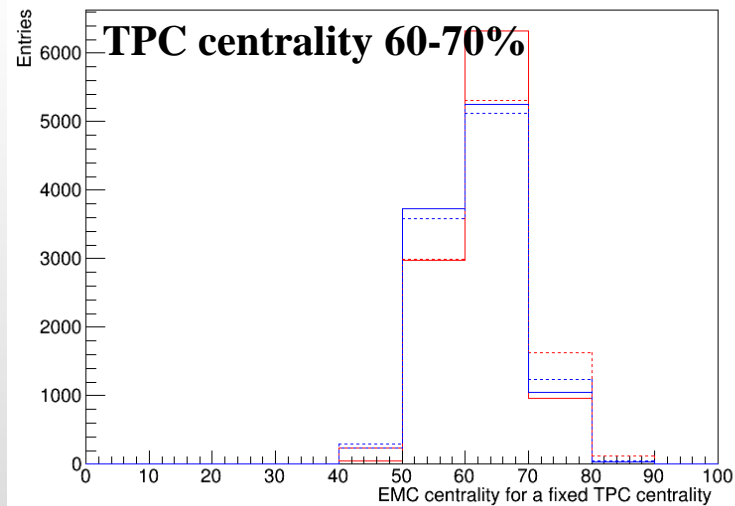
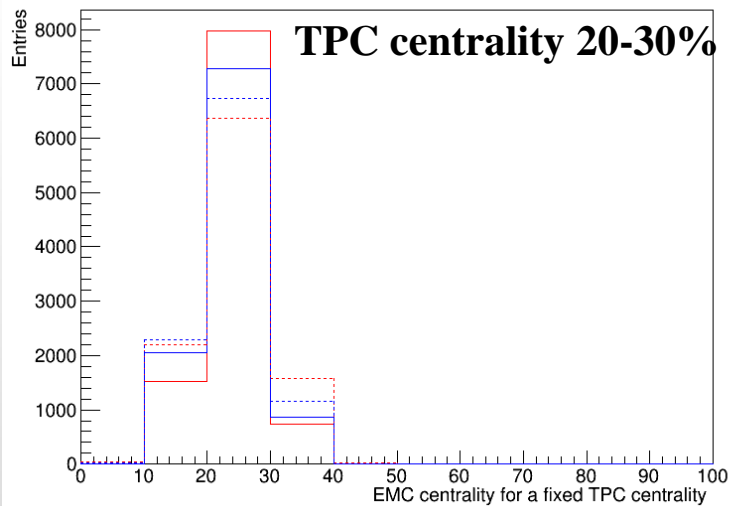
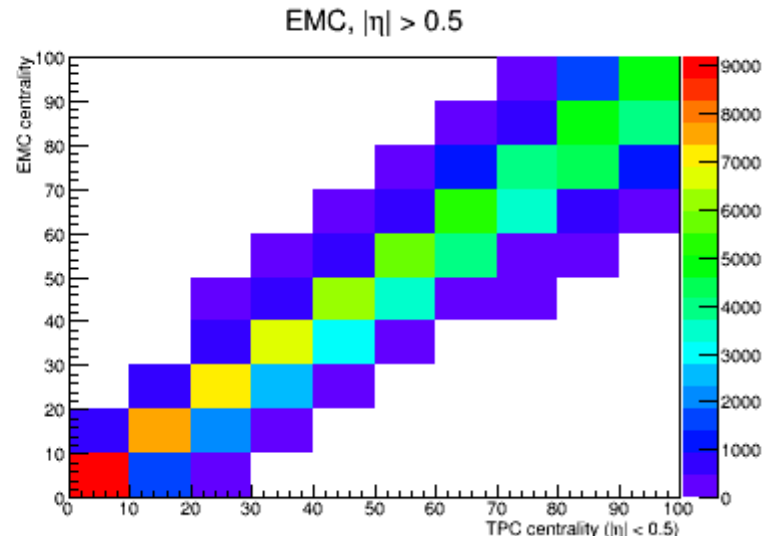
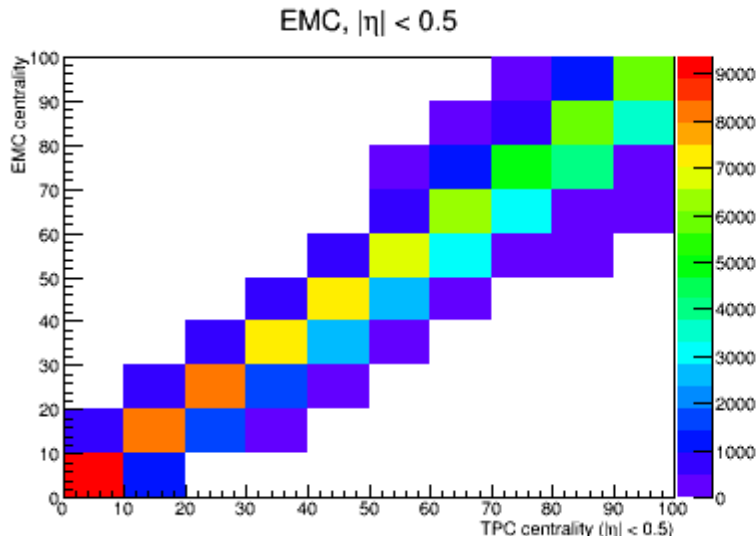
Ring circumference, m	503,04
Number of bunches	22
r.m.s. bunch length, m	0,6
β , m	0,35
Energy in c.m., GeV/u	4-11
r.m.s. $\Delta p/p$, 10^{-3}	1,6
IBS growth time, s	1800
Luminosity, $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	1×10^{27}

Stage I:

- without ECS in Collider, with stochastic cooling
- reduced number of RF
- reduced luminosity (10^{25} is the goal for 2023)

Collision system limited by source. Now Available: C(A=12), N(A=14), Ne(A=20), Ar(A=40), Fe(A=56), Kr(A=78-86), Xe(A=124-134), Bi(A=209)

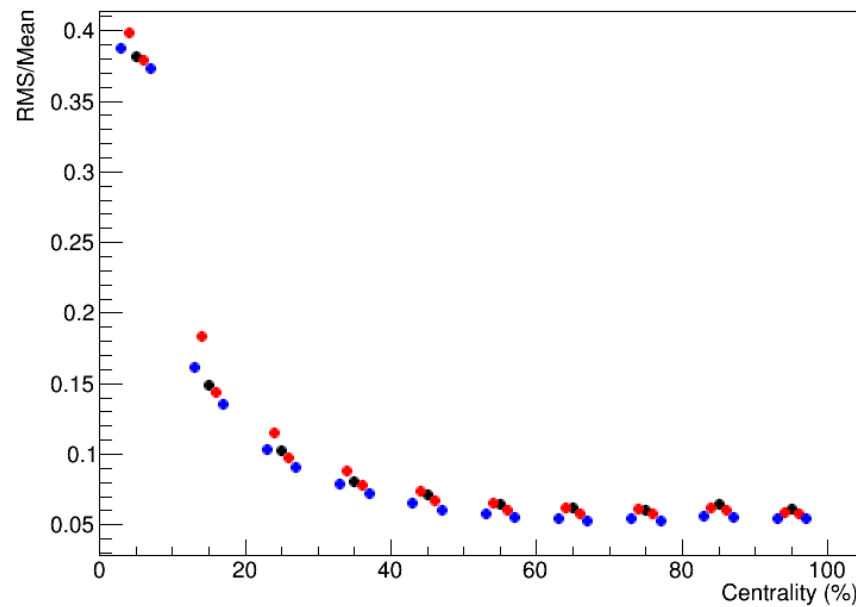
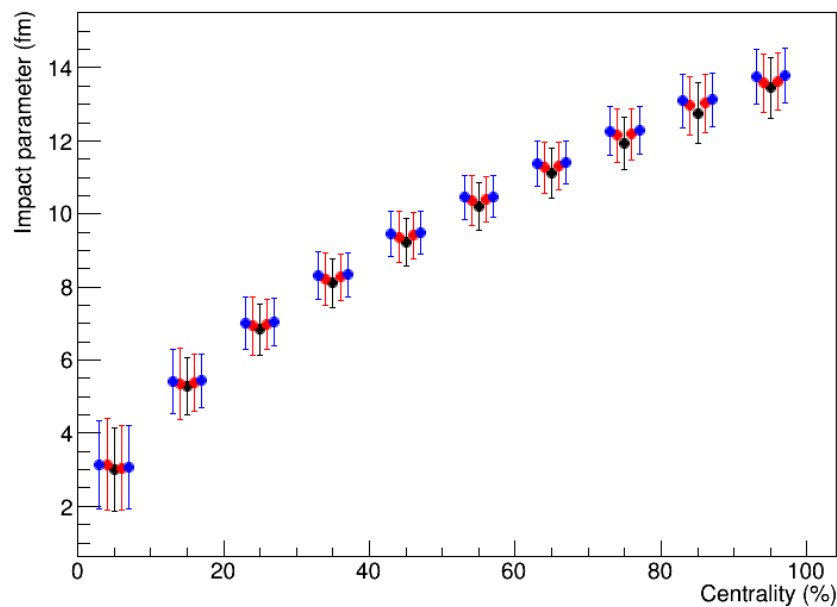
Centrality by E_T vs. centrality by TPC



- E_T , $|\eta| < 0.5$, all clusters
- E_T , $|\eta| > 0.5$, all clusters
- - - E_T , $|\eta| < 0.5$, CPV clusters
- - - E_T , $|\eta| > 0.5$, CPV clusters

Sampled impact parameter distributions

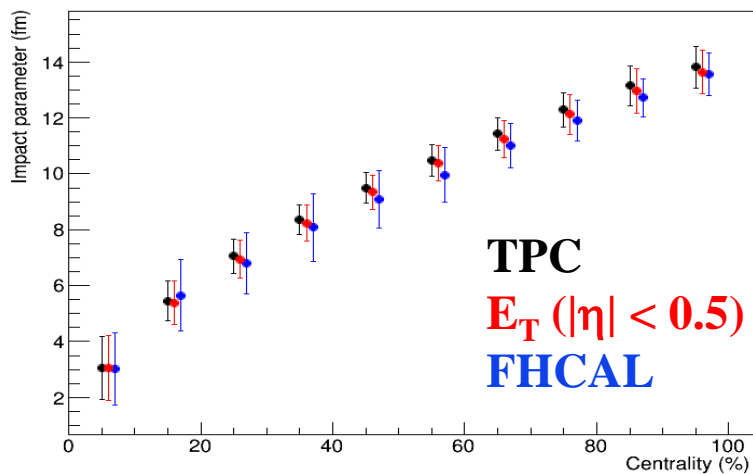
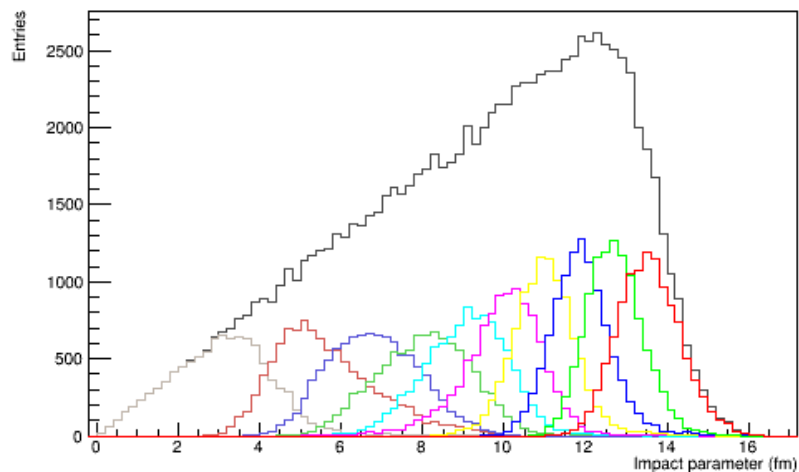
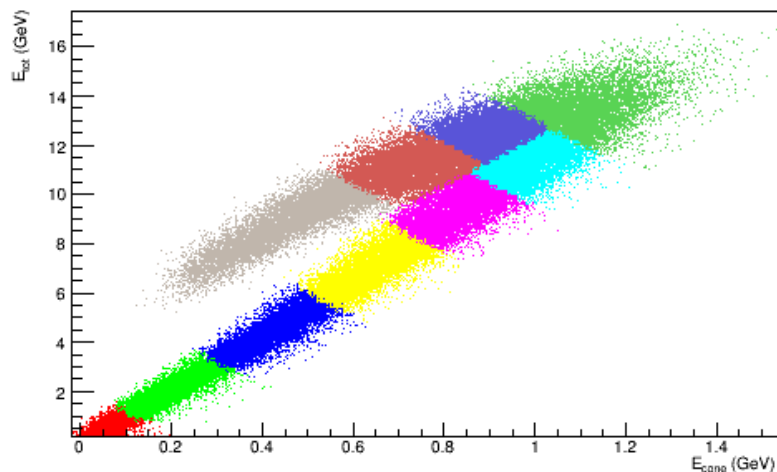
E_T -CPV, $|\eta| > 0.5$, E_T -CPV, $|\eta| < 0.5$, TPC centrality, E_T , $|\eta| < 0.5$, E_T , $|\eta| > 0.5$



- Sampled impact parameter distributions are similar but event samples are different
- TPC and E_T can be used for centrality measurements, produce similar results

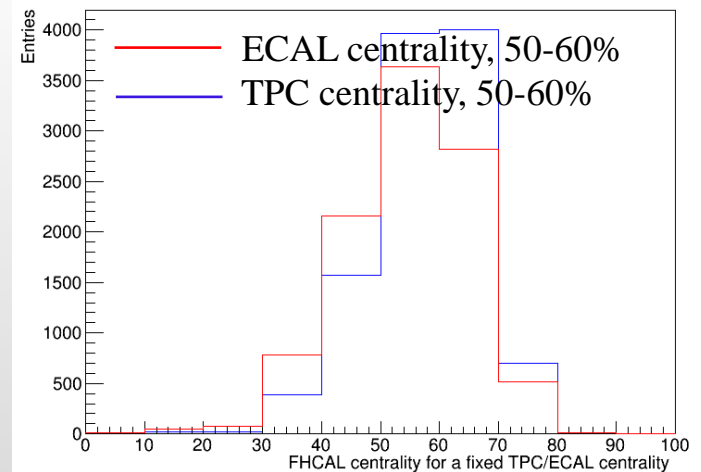
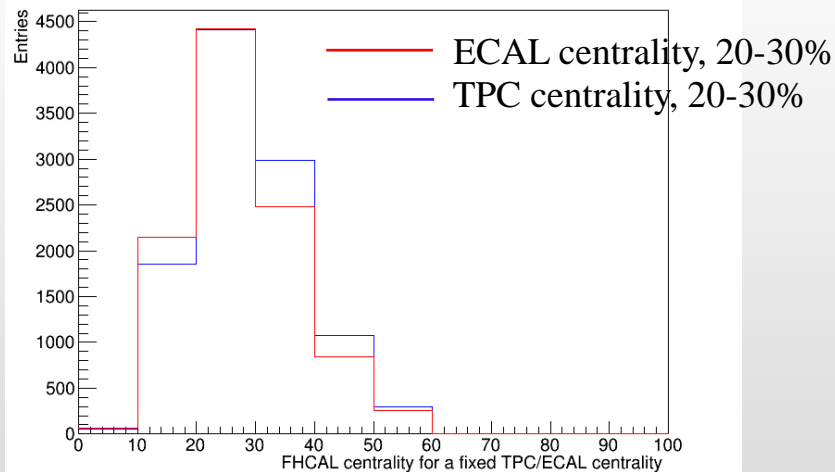
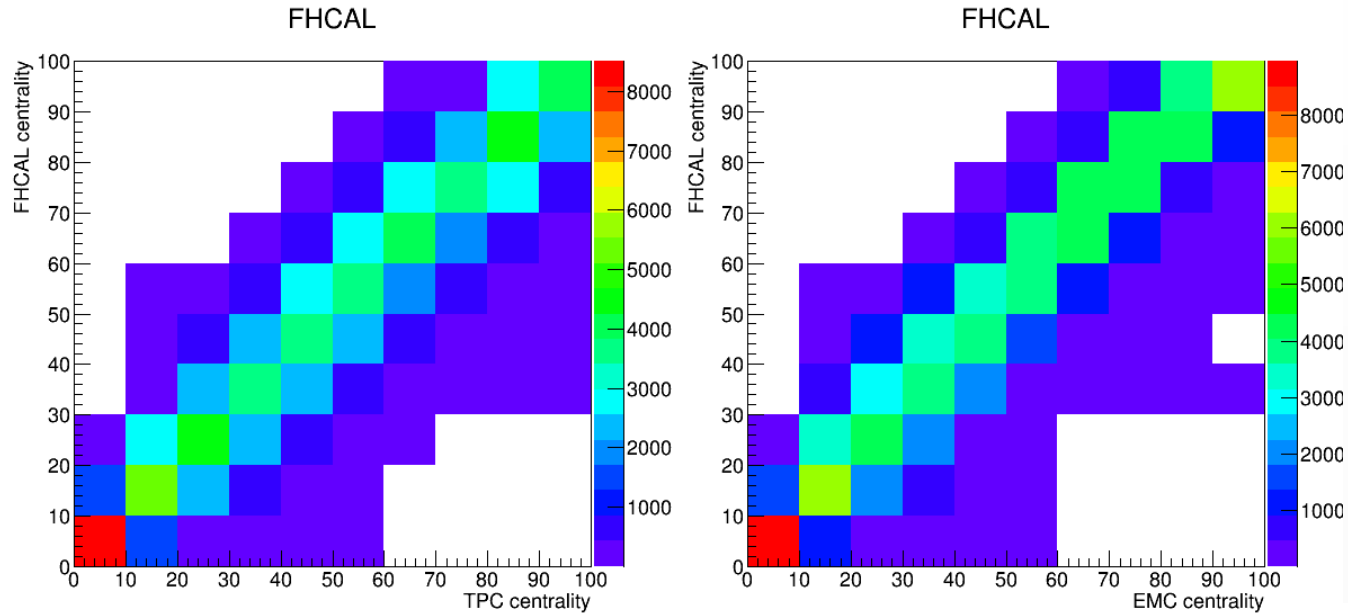
Centrality with FHCAL

E_{TOT} vs. E_{cone}



- TPC and ECAL are consistent
- FHCAL returns similar mean impact parameter values with wider spread (RMS) except for peripheral collisions

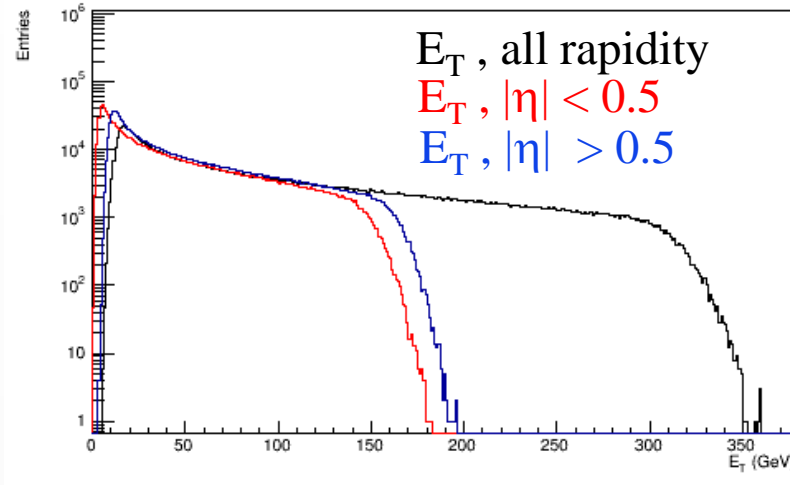
Centrality by FHCAL vs. centrality by TPC/ECAL



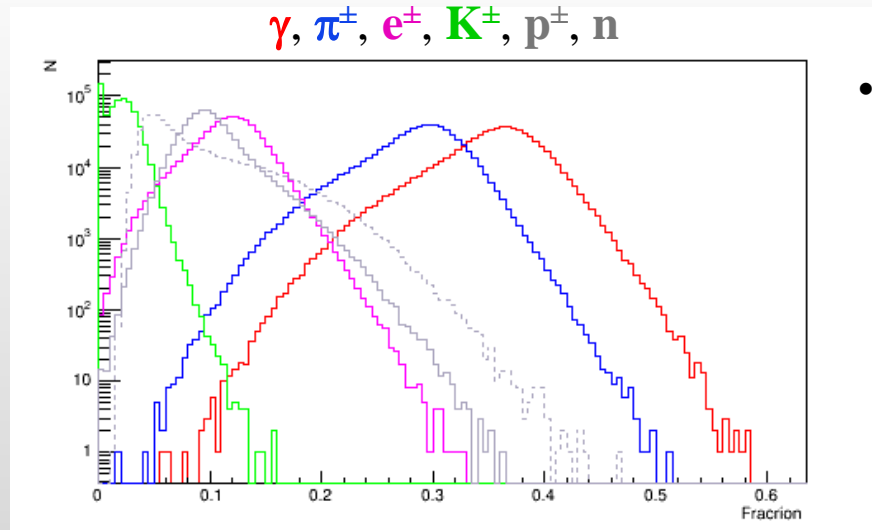
- FHCAL centrality has a very wide correlation with the TPC/ E_T centrality
- Resolution by impact parameter is worse

E_T distributions

- Transverse energy E_T



- Contributors:



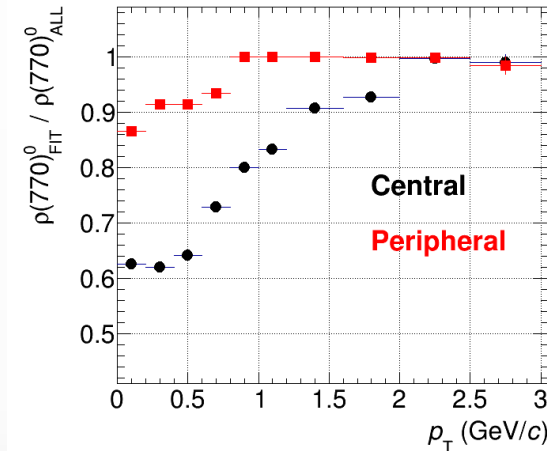
- Main contributors:
 - ✓ pions (**photons**, π^\pm)

- Максимально корректное восстановление э/м сигналов:
 - ✓ разделение слипшихся кластеров (unfolding)
 - ✓ коррекция координат и энергий кластеров (глубина, угол падения)
 - ✓ расстояние до ближайшего трека (d_{phi} , d_z + идентификатор трека)
 - ✓ MC контрибуторы
 - ✓ разумное быстродействие (<20% общего времени обработки события)
- Разработка алгоритмов отбора э/м сигналов:
 - ✓ форма ливня, сравнение с ожидаемой
 - ✓ анализ эллипсоидности кластера
 - ✓ параметризация мэтчингов vs. p_T , charge ...
- Дружественный интерфейс для пользователей:
 - ✓ документация и примеры по использованию разработанного п.о.
 - ✓ рекомендации по методам отбора сигналов
- Определение возможностей ESAL для решения физических задач:
 - ✓ фотоны, мезоны, (ди)лептоны и т.д.

Yields of $K^*(892)^0$ and $\rho(770)^0$ in AuAu@11, UrQMD

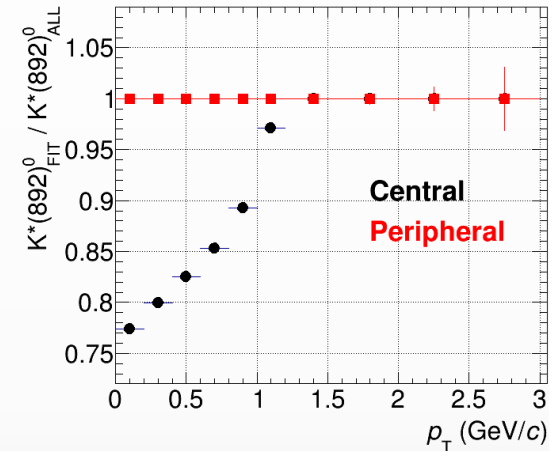
❖ $\rho(770)^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ ($c\tau \sim 1.3$ fm/c)

- ✓ yield is undercounted because of pion rescattering;
- ✓ this yield is preserved in e^+e^- measurements !!!



❖ $K^*(892)^0 \rightarrow \pi^\pm K^\pm$ ($c\tau \sim 4.3$ fm/c)

- ✓ yield is undercounted because of pion and kaon rescattering

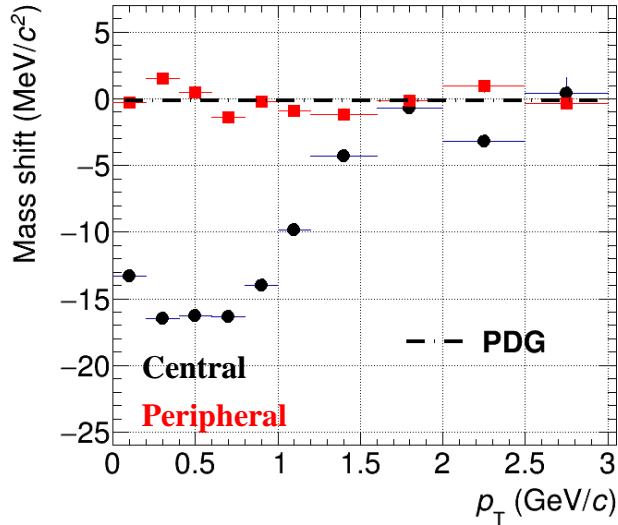


❖ Signal losses are larger for shorter-lived $\rho(770)^0 \rightarrow$ higher chance for $\rho(770)^0$ to decay and for daughters to rescatter in the medium

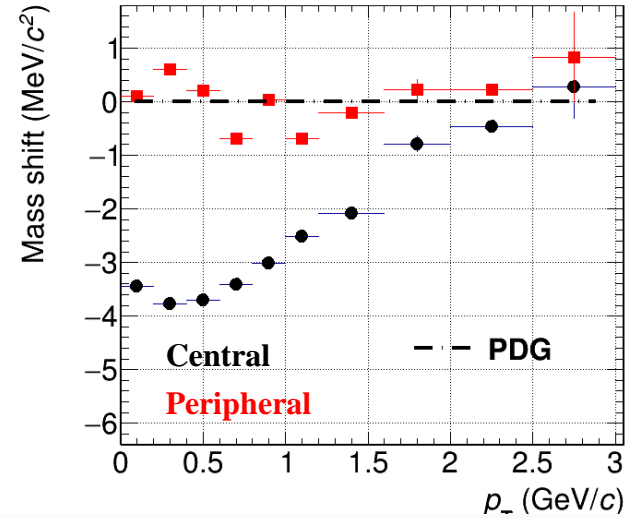
❖ Predicted signal losses are noticeable for the total (p_T -integrated) yields since bulk of the hadrons is produced at low p_T at NICA energies

Masses of $K^*(892)^0$ and $\rho(770)^0$ in AuAu@11, UrQMD

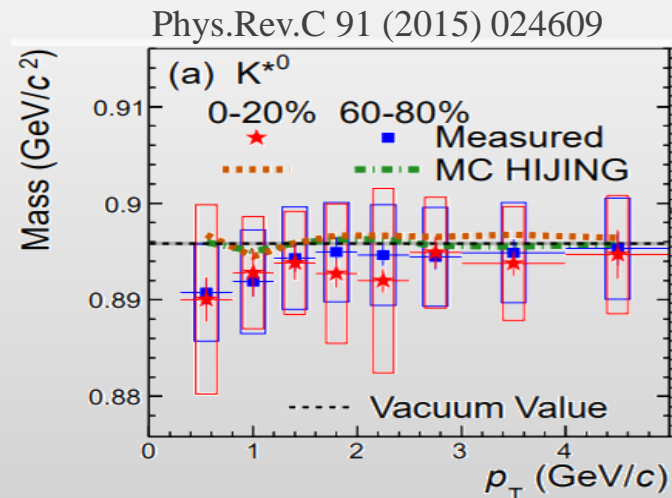
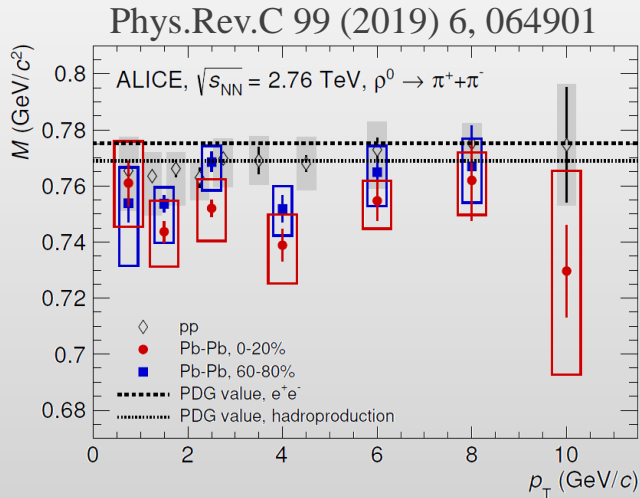
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❖ $K^*(892)^0 \rightarrow \pi^\pm K^\pm$ ($c\tau \sim 4.3$ fm/c)

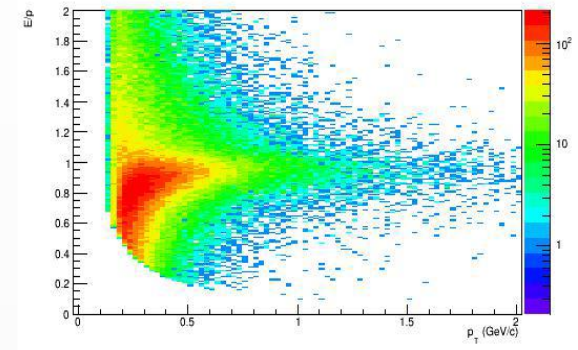
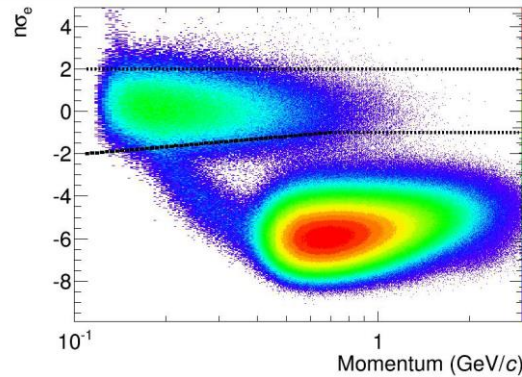
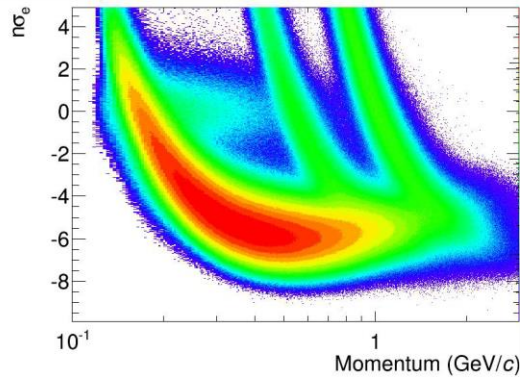


- ❖ In peripheral collisions, the peak models return masses and widths as measured in vacuum
- ❖ In central collisions, the masses are measured smaller
- ❖ Similar mass “modifications” have been reported @ RHIC and the LHC, large uncertainties:



Reconstruction of electrons

- ❖ Charged particle tracks are reconstructed in the TPC
- ❖ Particles are identified in the TPC ($\langle dE/dx \rangle$), TOF ($v/c \sim 1$) and ECAL ($E/p \sim 1$)



- ❖ Reasonable electron track reconstruction efficiency and electron purity after multiparametric optimization of selections

