

The hottest matter on earth: what its made of, how its formed, and how it flows

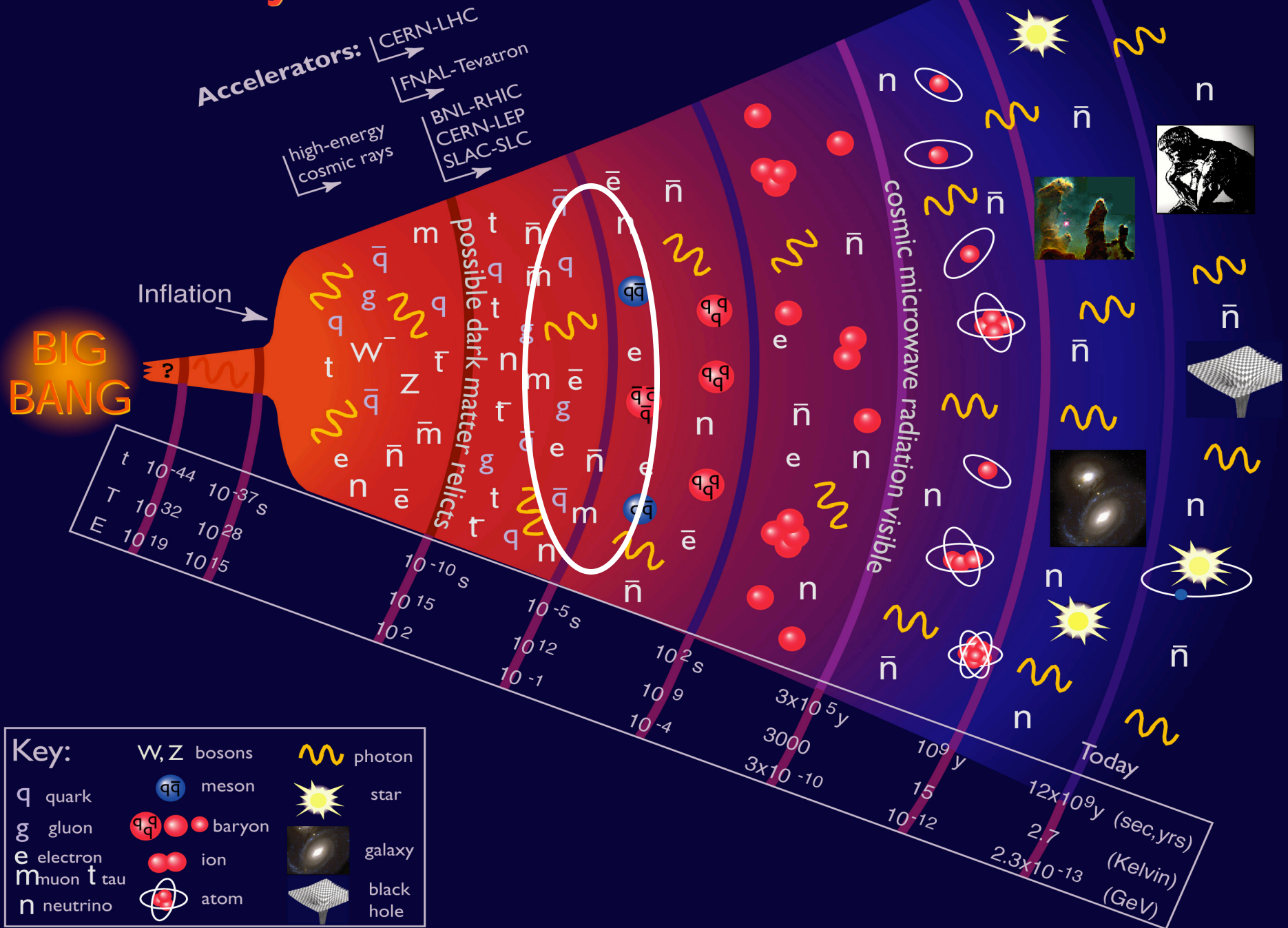
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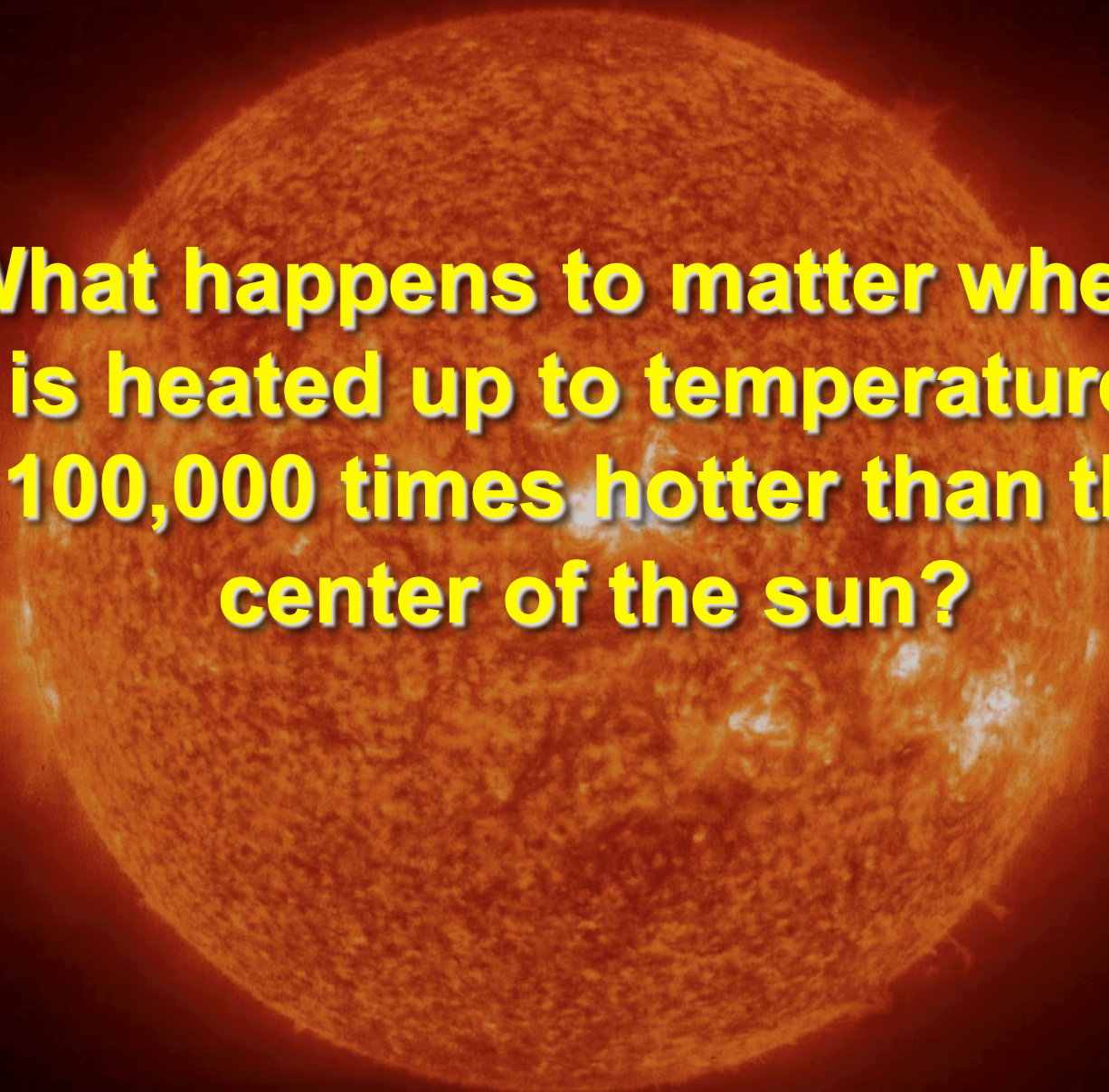
UCT lectures, February 2012

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History of the Universe



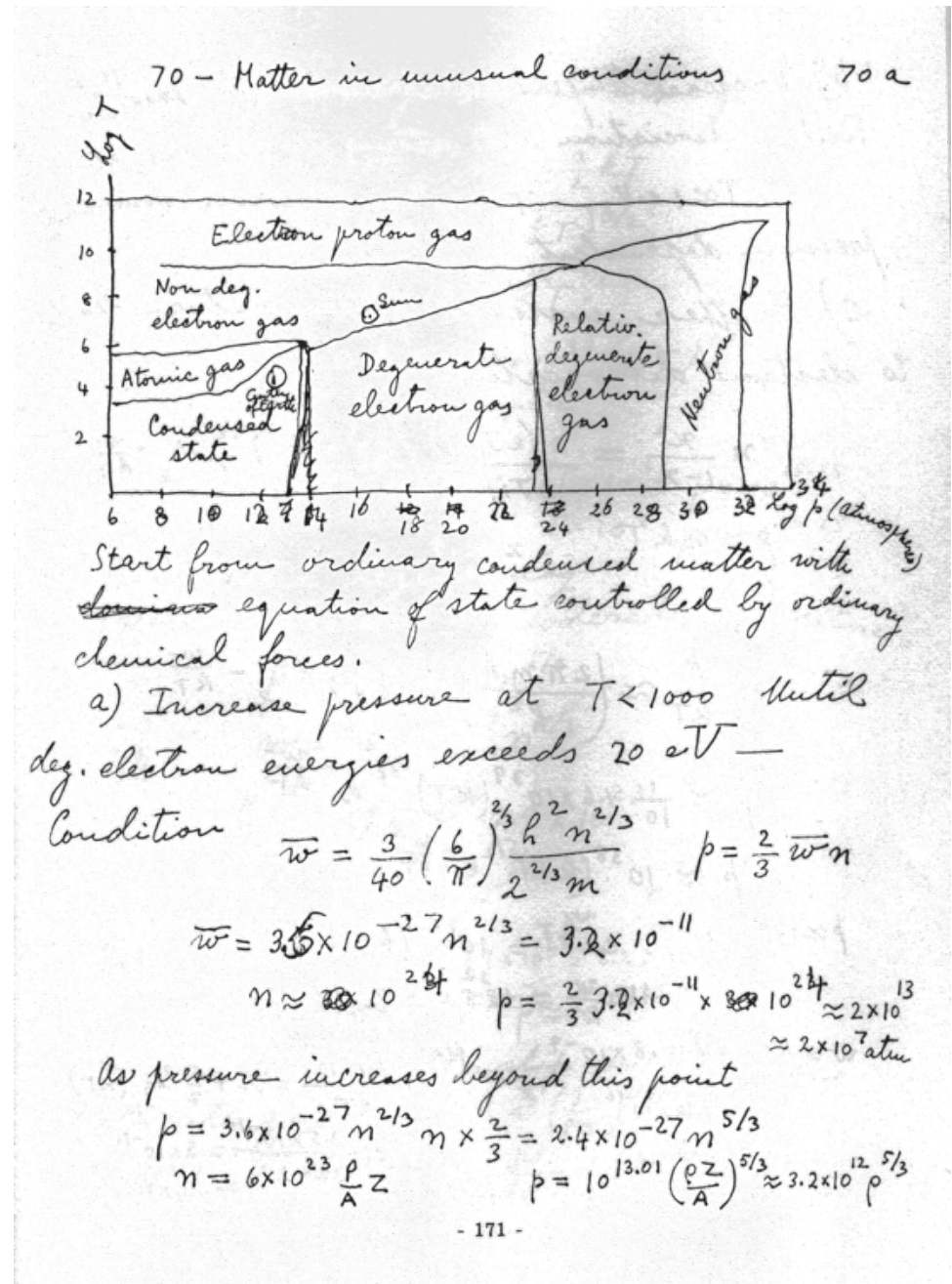


**What happens to matter when it
is heated up to temperatures
100,000 times hotter than the
center of the sun?**

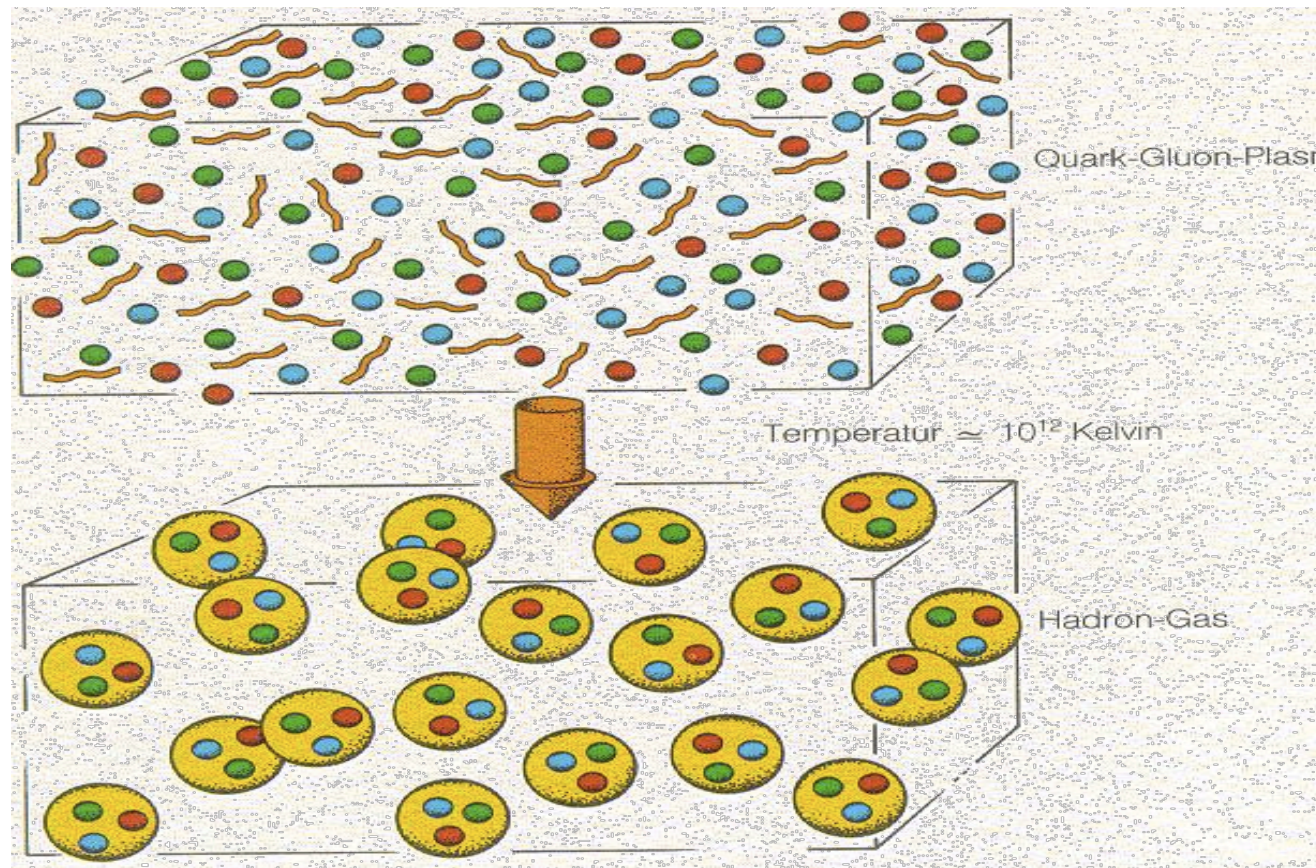
center of sun 15,000,000 Celsius (27,000,000 Fahrenheit)

Matter in unusual conditions

E. Fermi: "Notes on Thermodynamics and Statistics" (1953)



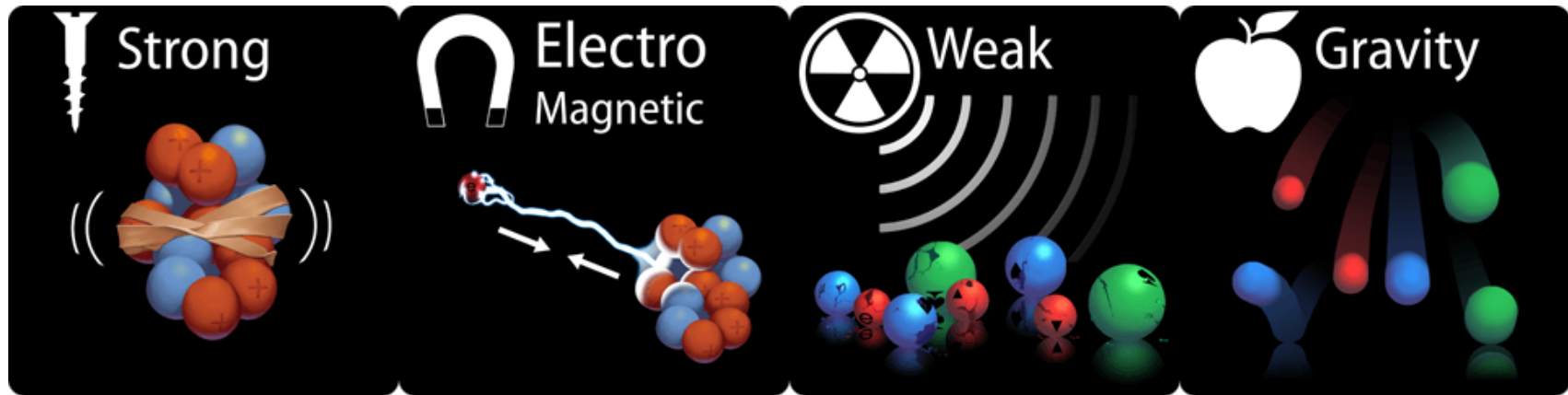
Universe evolved from Quarks & Gluons to Hadrons



How did this happen ?

Is there a phase transition (vapor to liquid) transition ?

QCD-Theory of the Strong Force



Relative strength	1	10^{-2}	10^{-6}	10^{-38}
Interaction range	10^{-15}	∞	10^{-15}	∞



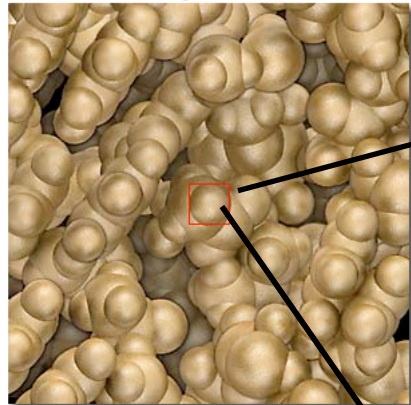
2004 Nobel Prize in Physics

What does the strong force act on?

Quarks & Gluons: elementary, fundamental constituents of 99 % of visible matter in the universe.

Atom

DNA nucleotide building blocks.

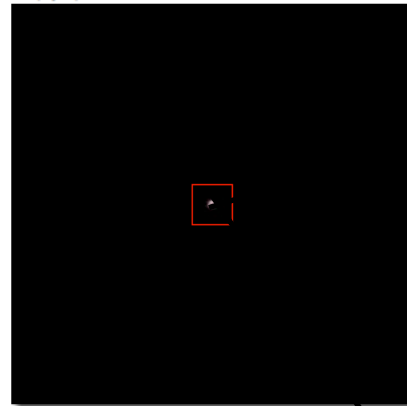


10^{-9} meters

1 nanometer

Nucleus

Empty space between inner shell and nucleus.

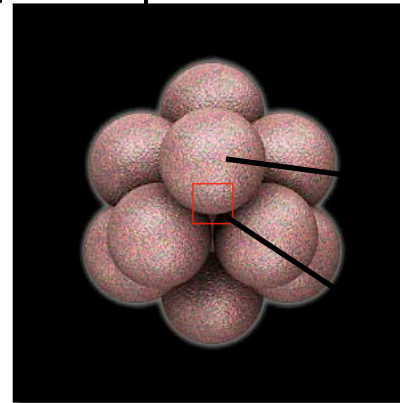


10^{-12} meters

1 picometer

Proton

Nucleus of the carbon atom.

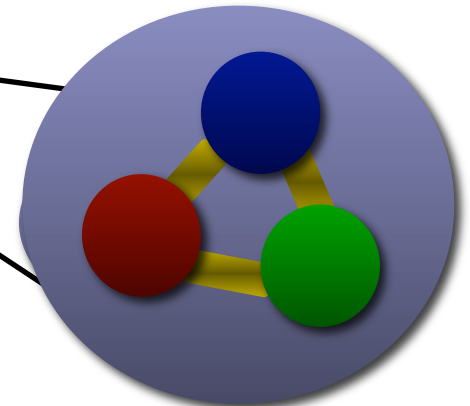


10^{-14} meters

10 femtometers

quark size:
 10^{-18} meters

Quarks & Gluons



Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD): fundamental theory of the strong force

QCD: theory of the strong interaction

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{\mu\nu,a} + \sum_f \bar{q}_f^a (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m_f) q_f^a$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + g f^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$$

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig A_\mu^a \frac{\lambda^a}{2}$$

Quark fields

Gluon fields

Symmetries of QCD Lagrangian:

$$\underbrace{SU(3)_c}_i \times \underbrace{SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R}_{ii} \times \underbrace{U(1)_A \times U(1)_B}_{iii}$$

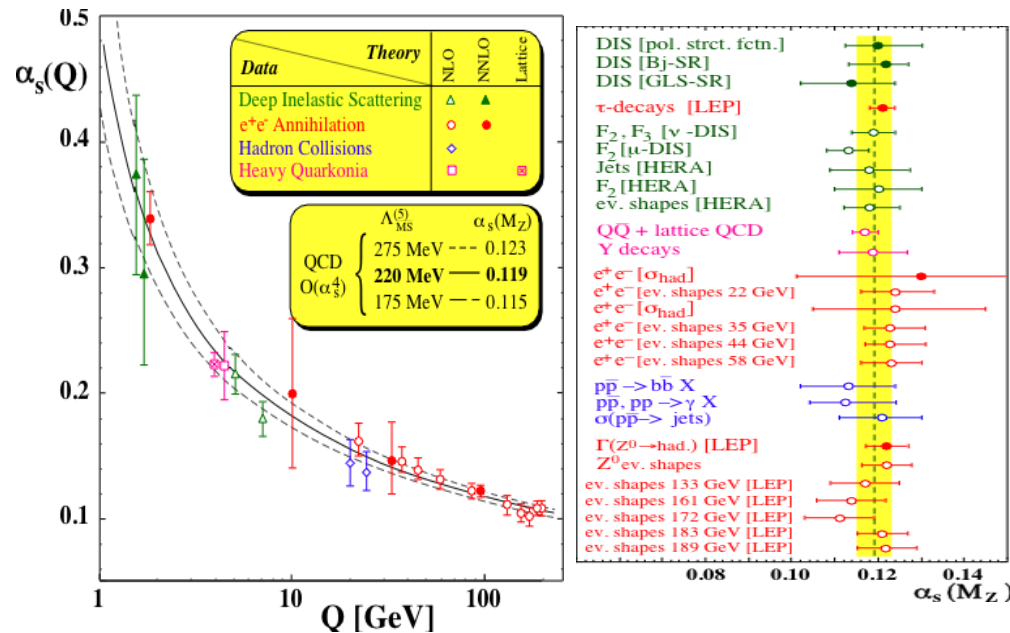
- i) Gauge “color” symmetry: unbroken but confined
- ii) Global “chiral” symmetry: exact for massless quarks
- iii) Baryon number and axial charge (m=0) are conserved
- iv) Scale invariance: $\psi(x) \longrightarrow \lambda^{3/2} \psi(\lambda x)$; $A_\mu^a(x) \longrightarrow \lambda A_\mu^a(\lambda x)$
- v) Discrete C,P & T symmetries

Chiral, Axial, Scale and (in principle) P & T are broken by Vacuum / Quantum effects

QCD: asymptotic freedom



Gross, Wilczek, Politzer



Coupling grows weaker
with increasing momentum
transfer (shorter distances)

$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{12\pi}{(11N_c - 2n_f) \ln\left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}\right)} \left[1 - \frac{6(153 - 19n_f)}{(11N_c - 2n_f)^2} \frac{\ln(\ln(Q^2/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2))}{\ln(Q^2/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2)} \right] + \dots$$

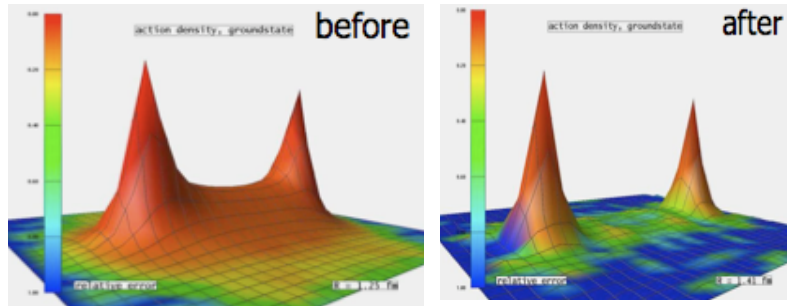
Super-dense and Super-hot QCD matter
is a weakly coupled gas of quarks and gluons
-- analytical computations feasible

Cabibo-Parisi; Collins-Perry

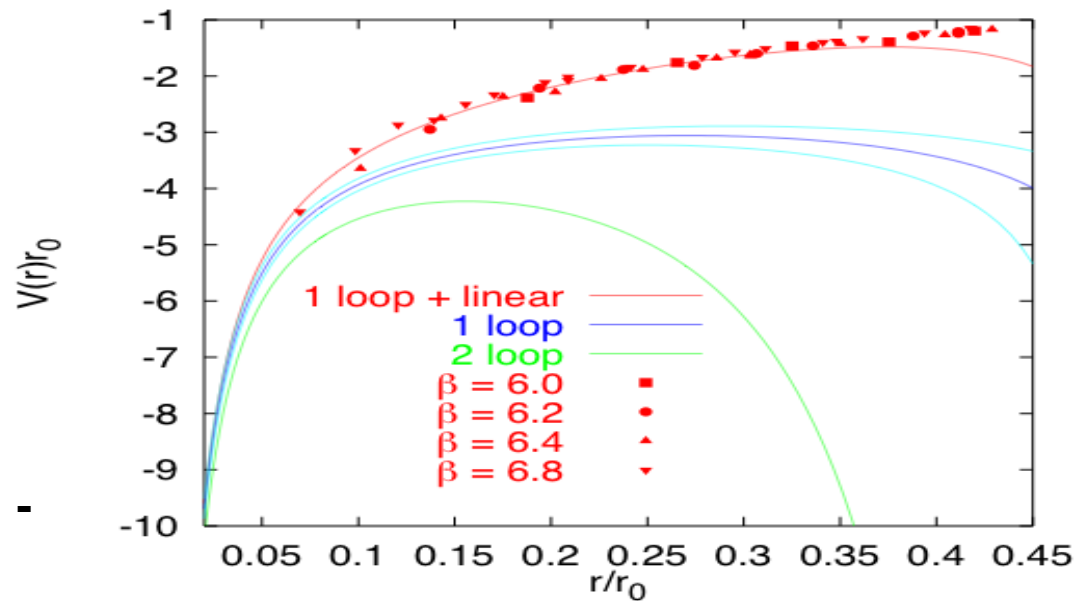
QCD: Infrared Slavery

$$V(r) = \sigma r - \frac{e}{r}$$


$\sigma = 425 \text{ MeV}^2$; $e \approx 0.5$



Potential between static quark-anti-quark pair grows linearly at large distances - **intuitive picture of confinement**



QCD matter is strongly interacting at low Temp. and Density

- static properties computed using lattice methods

QCD: Chiral symmetry breaking



Chiral basis :

$$q_L = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma_5)q, \quad q_R = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma_5)q$$

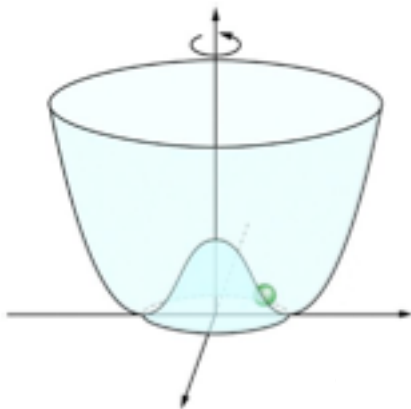
QCD Lagrangian :

$$\mathcal{L}_{cl} = \mathcal{L}_{cl}(q_L, A) + \mathcal{L}_{cl}(q_R, A)$$

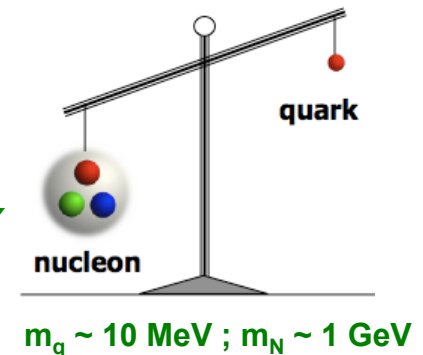
Quantum QCD vacuum:

Chiral condensate: spontaneously generate mass via

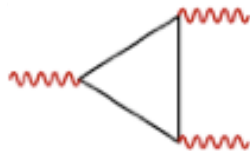
Nambu-Goldstone mechanism



$$\langle \bar{q}_R q_L \rangle \neq 0$$



Axial anomaly:

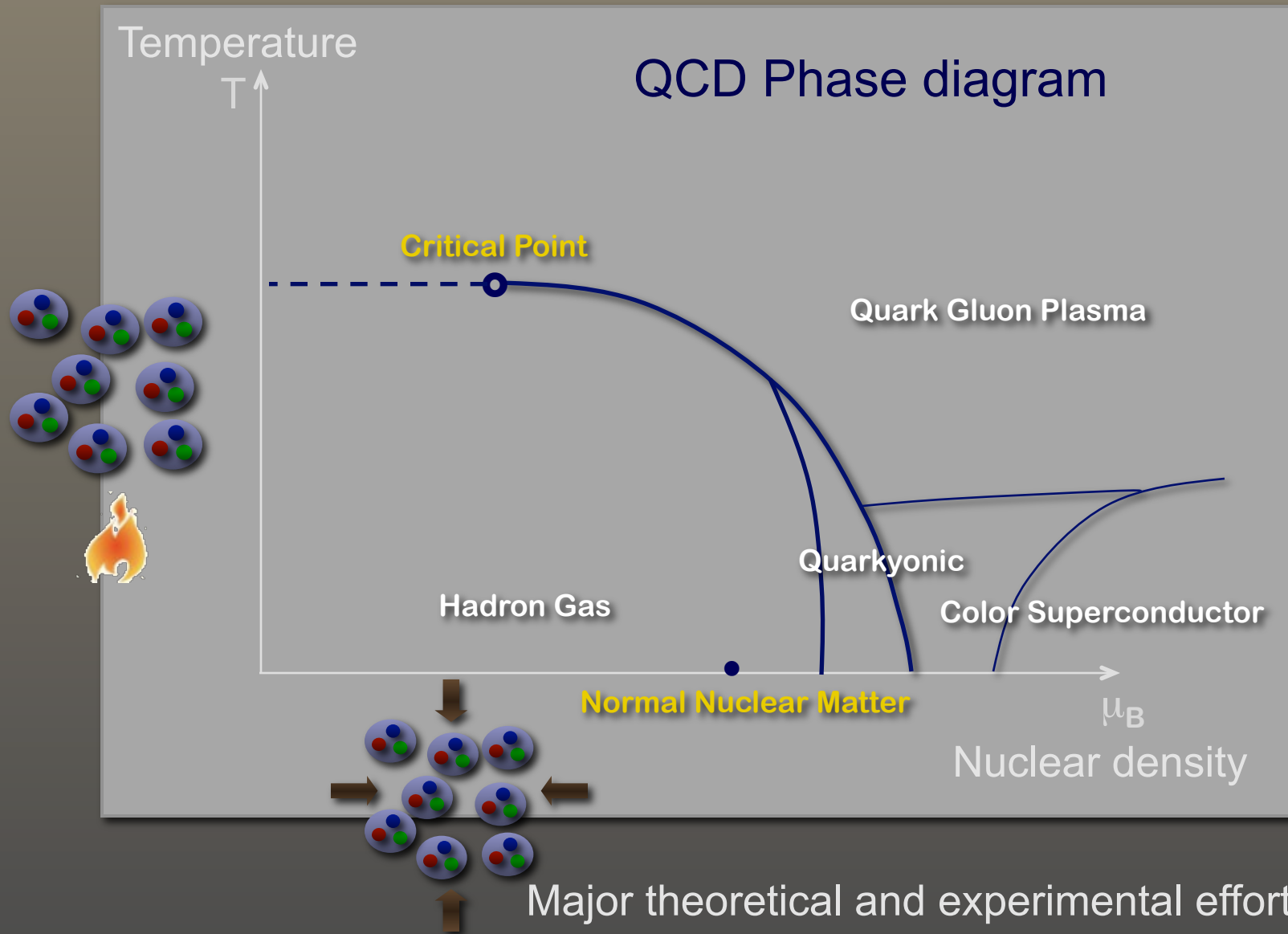


Quantum violation of $U(1)_A$

$$\partial_\mu J_A^\mu = -2n_f \frac{\alpha_S}{8\pi} F^{\mu\nu, a} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}^a$$

Chiral symmetry restoration at large T: $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \longrightarrow 0$

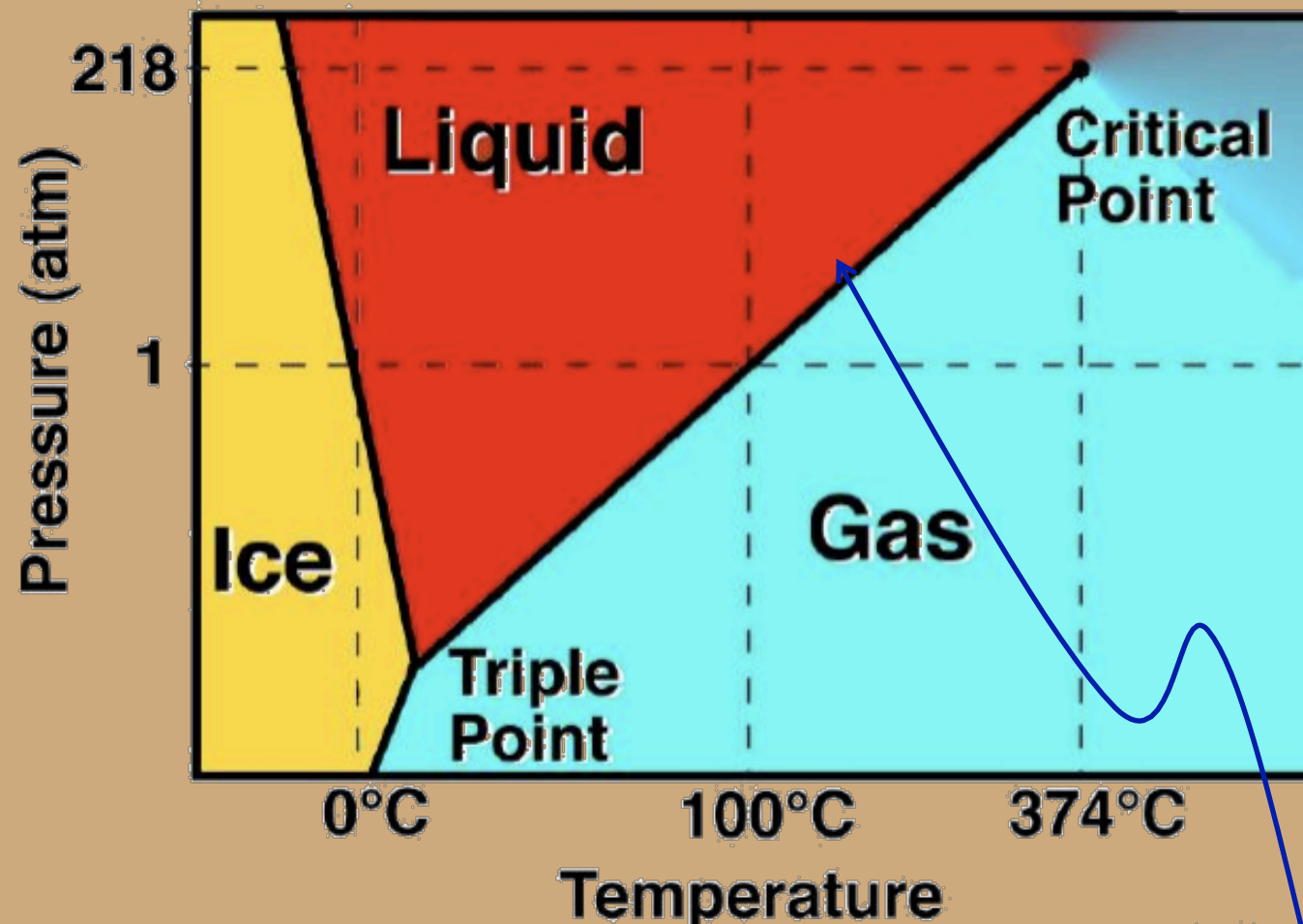
phase diagram of nuclear matter



Major theoretical and experimental effort to map and explore this rich phase structure.

Phase Diagram of Water

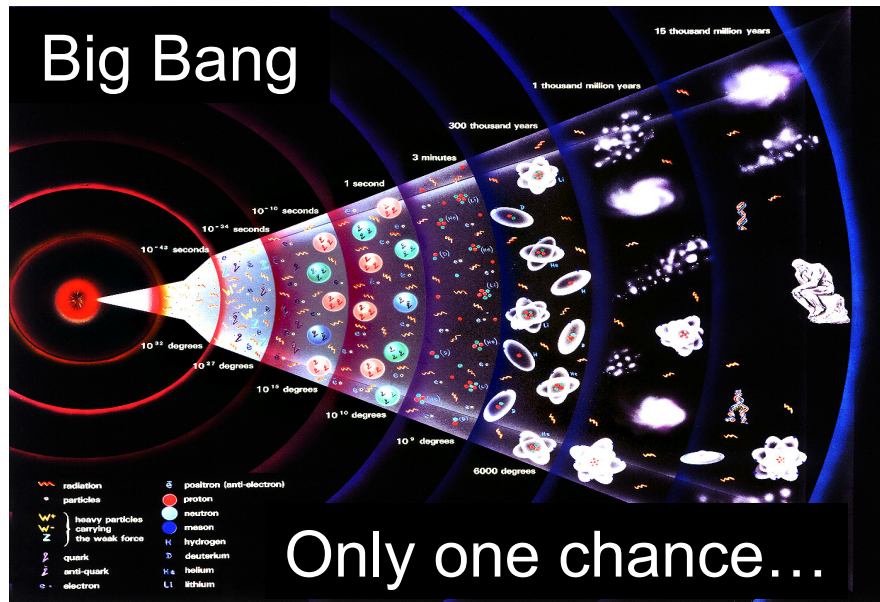
Physicists' way of mapping the phase that will exist for a given pressure and temperature



phase transition line

Where to study QCD matter ?

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(Flops)

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QCD Cluster @ FNAL



BlueGene/L @ KEK



PACS-CS @ Tsukuba



ApeNEXT @ Rome



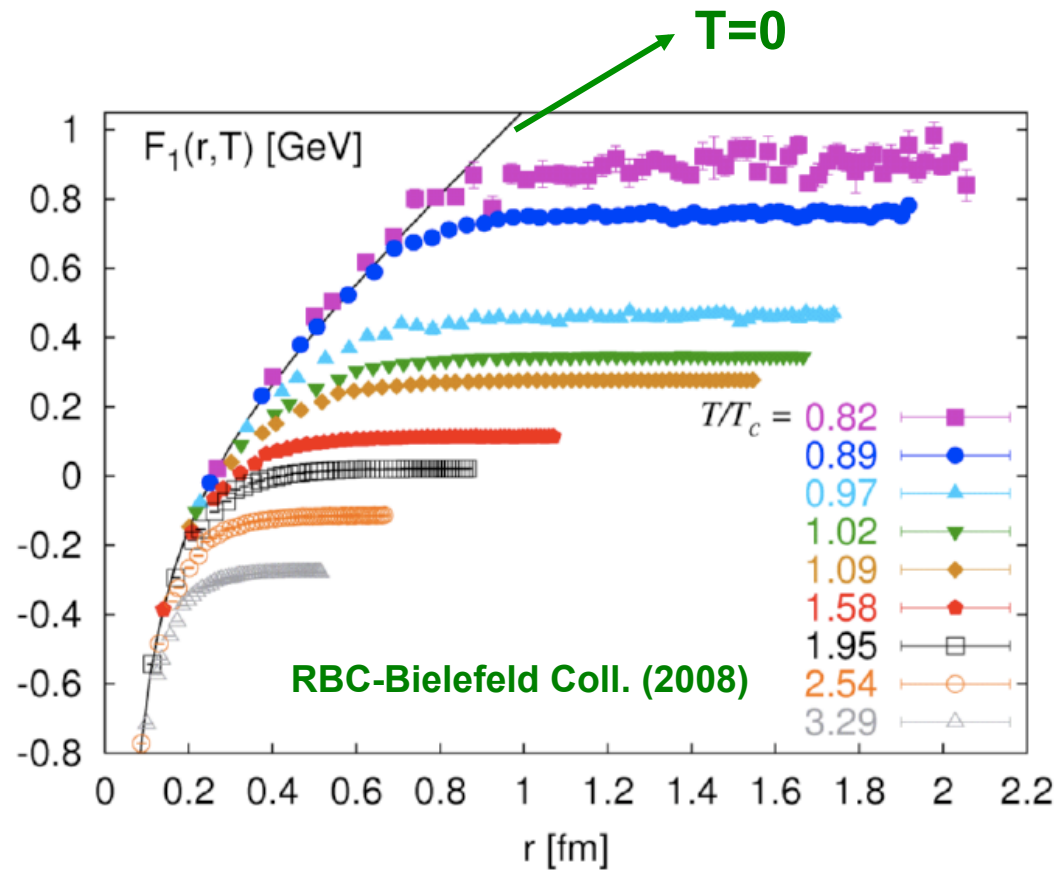
QCDOC @ RBRC-Columbia

(year)

Hatsuda, PANIC 08

Lattice QCD at finite T:

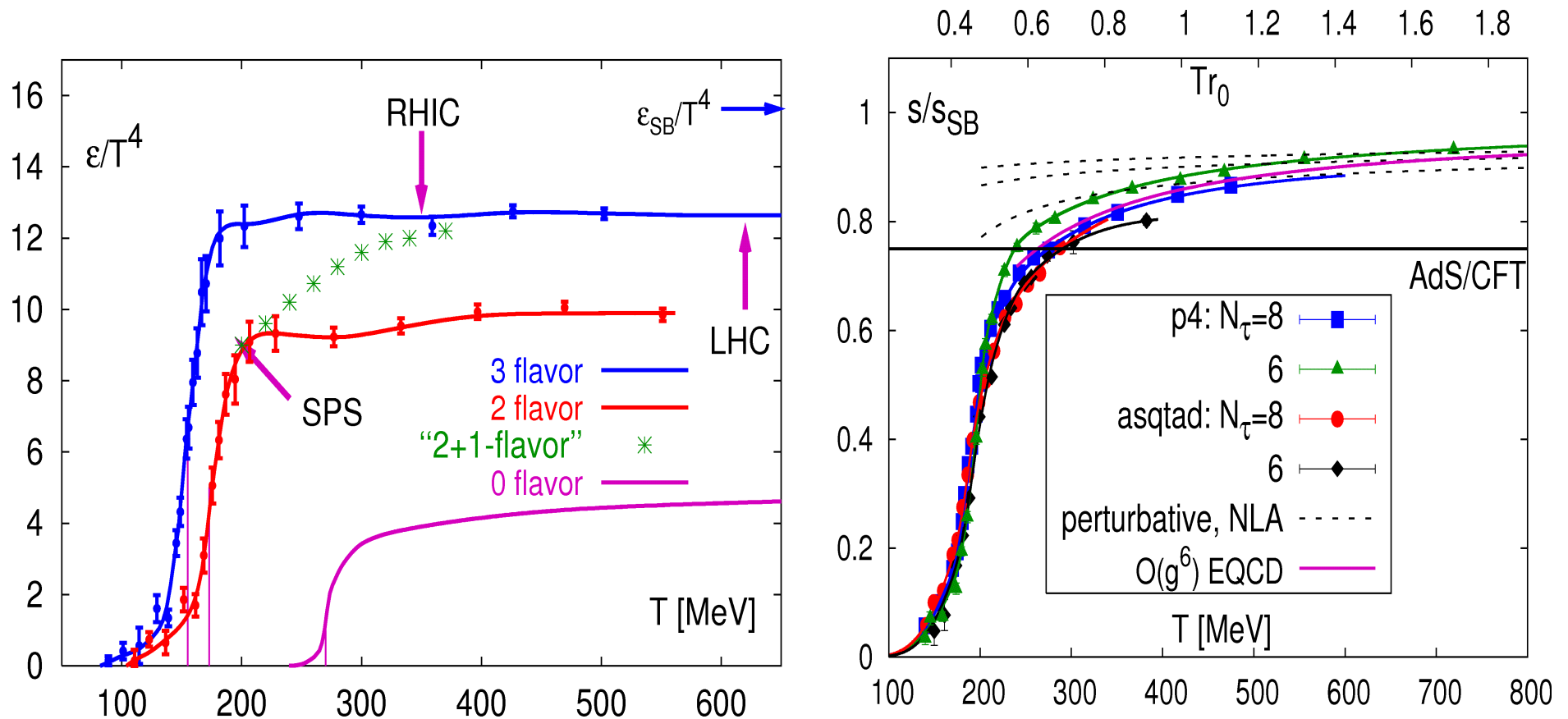
Plasma screens potential between heavy quarks



Suppression of heavy quarks suggested as possible signature of Quark-Gluon formation - Matsui, Satz 1986

QCD at finite T:

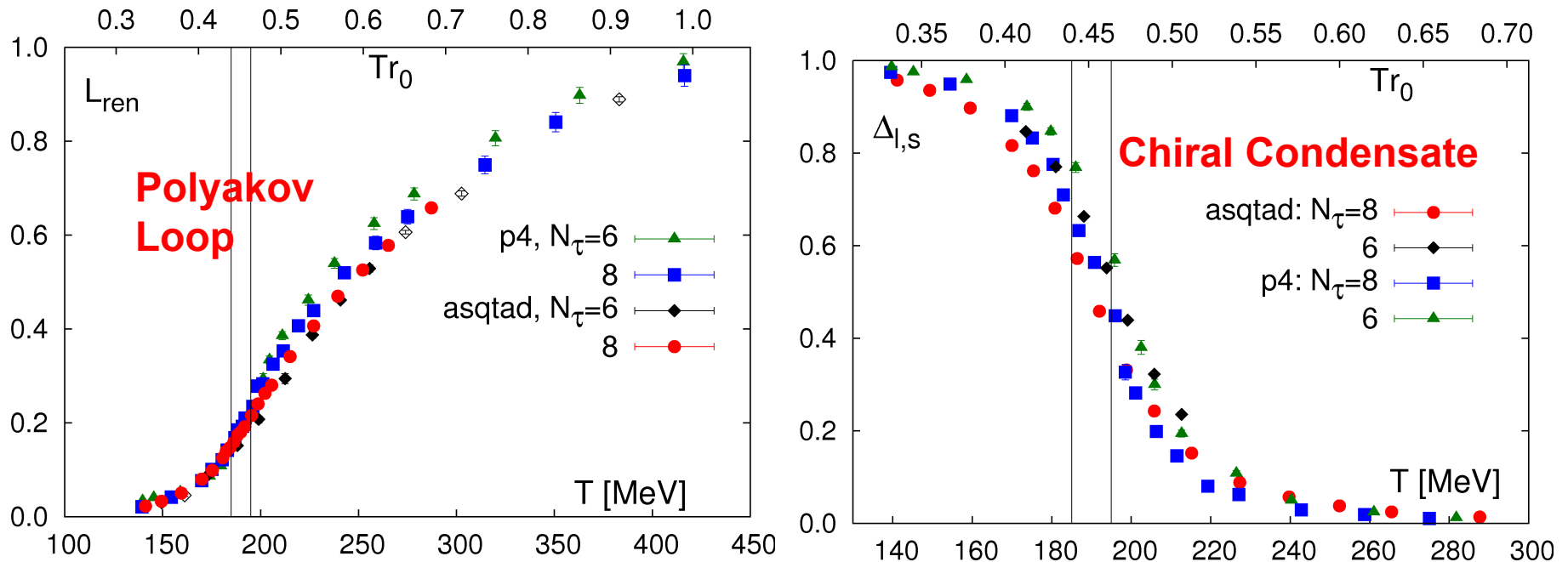
Lattice results for Energy & Entropy Density



Rapid rise at $T \sim 170$ MeV

QCD at finite T:

Lattice results for Confinement and Chiral Symmetry



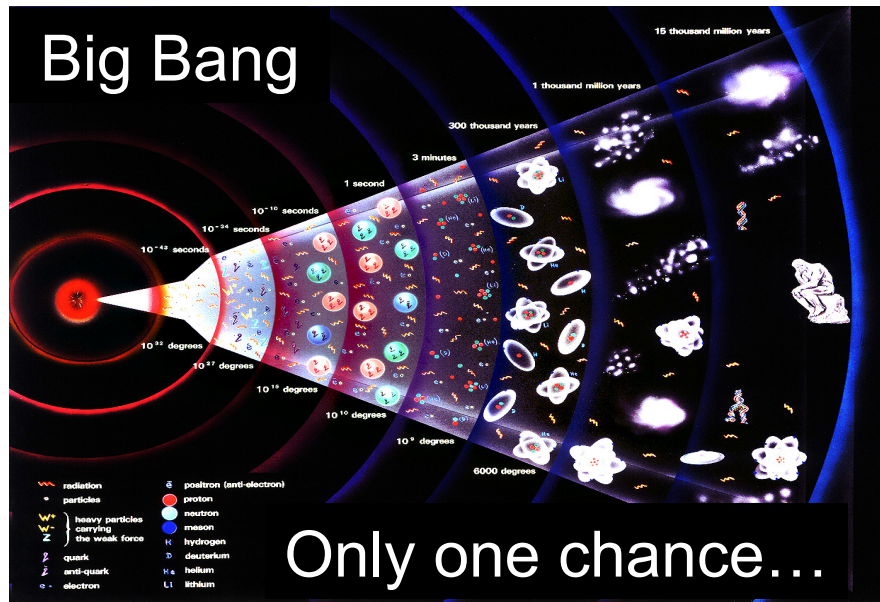
**Rapid change in same T interval
corresponding to rapid change in
Energy and Entropy densities**

Bazavov et al, (HotQCD Coll.) arXiv:0903.4379

Finite T transition is a

crossover Aoki et al, Nature 443 (06) 675

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Heavy Ion Experiments

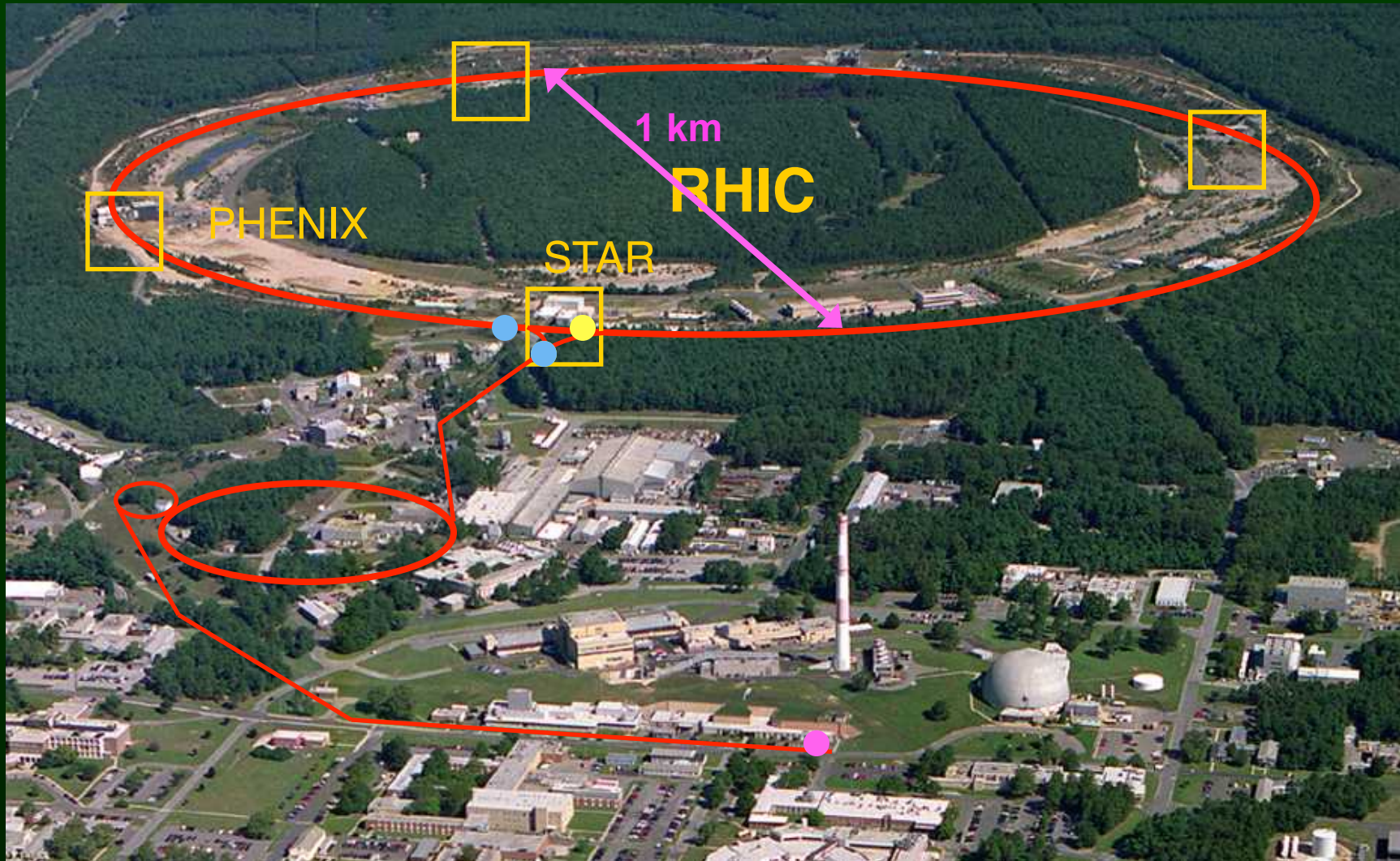
Facility	Location	System	Energy (CMS)
AGS	BNL, New York	Au+Au	2.6-4.3 GeV
SPS	CERN, Geneva	Pb+Pb	8.6-17.2 GeV
RHIC	BNL, New York	Au+Au	200 GeV
LHC	CERN, Geneva	Pb+Pb	5.5 TeV

The place to look for quark-gluon plasma



the Collider at
Brookhaven Lab
visible from space

Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider RHIC @ BNL

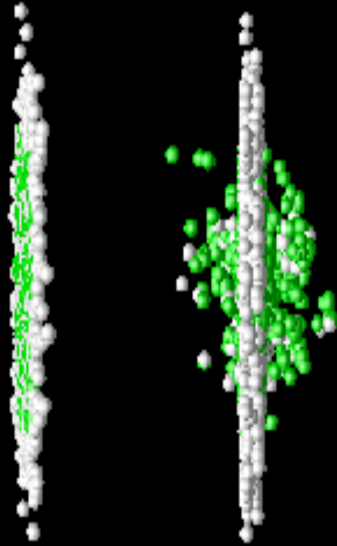


3 km ring
major international enterprise: thousands of scientists and engineers

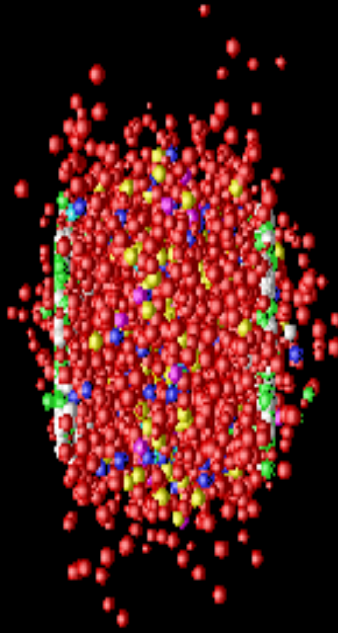
animation by Mike Lisa



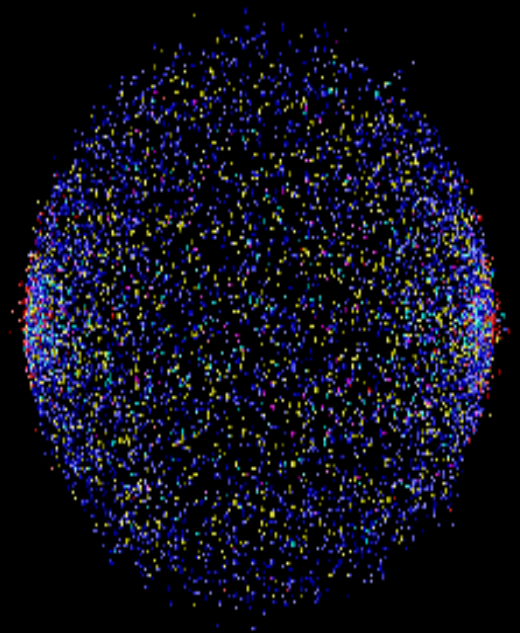
Heavy “gold” nucleus at
0.9997 the speed
of light



Two such nuclei collide

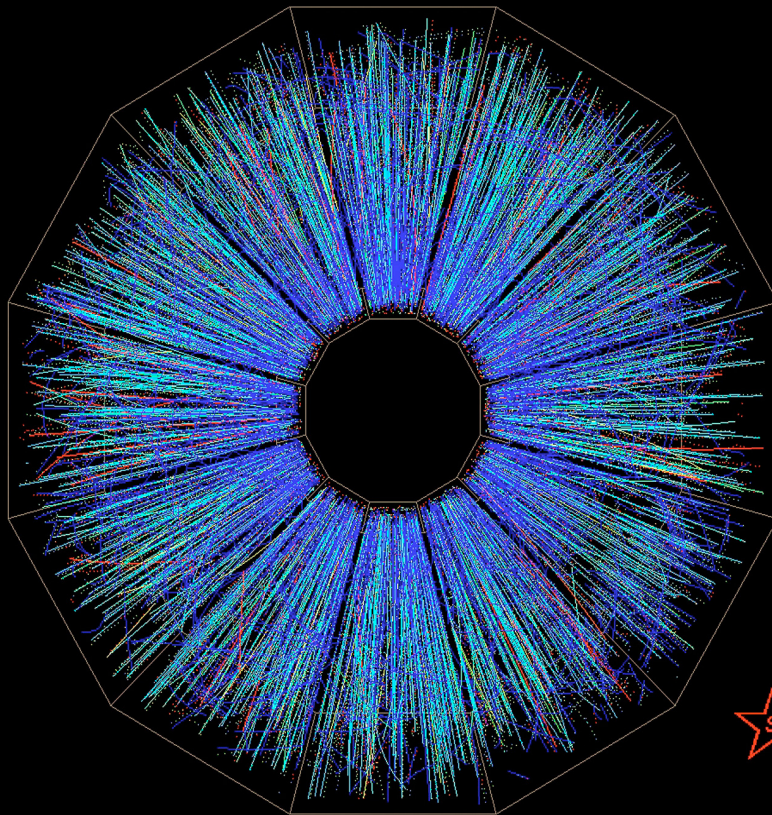


Quark Gluon Plasma
formed

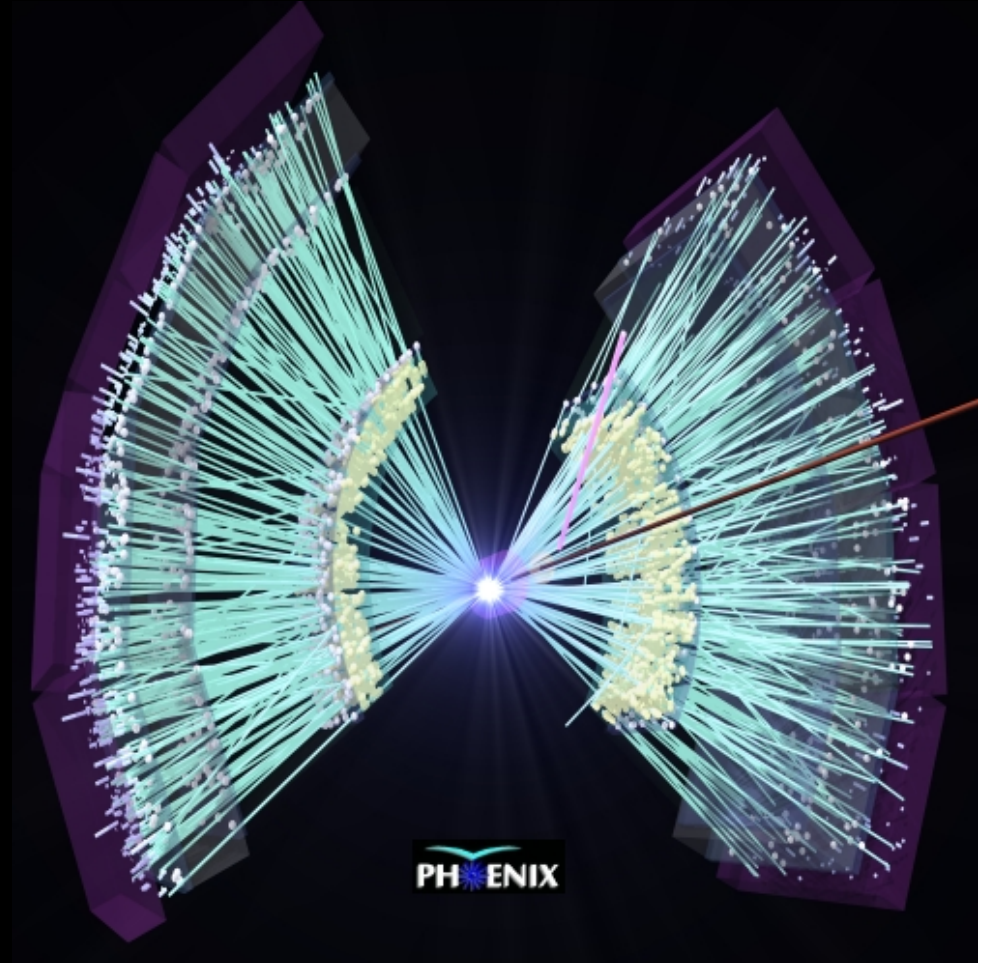


Decays into 1000s of
sub-atomic particles

We cannot determine if a QGP was produced by observing it directly - its lifetime is too short ($\sim 10^{-23}$ seconds...)



STAR



but studying the detailed structure behind these images, RHIC scientists conclude the QGP was a nearly perfect fluid



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Early Universe was 'liquid-like'

Physicists say they have created a new state of hot, dense matter by crashing together the nuclei of gold atoms.

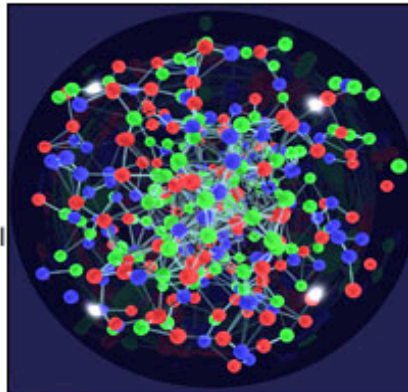
The high-energy collisions prised open the nuclei to reveal their most basic particles, known as quarks and gluons.

The researchers, at the US Brookhaven National Laboratory, say these particles were seen to behave as an almost perfect "liquid".

The work is expected to help scientists explain the conditions that existed just milliseconds after the Big Bang.

The details, presented to the American Physical Society in Florida, will be published across a number of papers in the journal Nuclear Physics A.

They summarise the work of four collaborative experiments - dubbed Brahm, Phenix, Phobos and Star - which have been running on Brookhaven's



The impression is of matter that is more strongly interacting than predicted

“ People like me, who use model calculations, are already so excited about the data because we believe they have actually found the elusive state known as the quark-gluon plasma ”

Asst Prof Steffen Bass, Duke University

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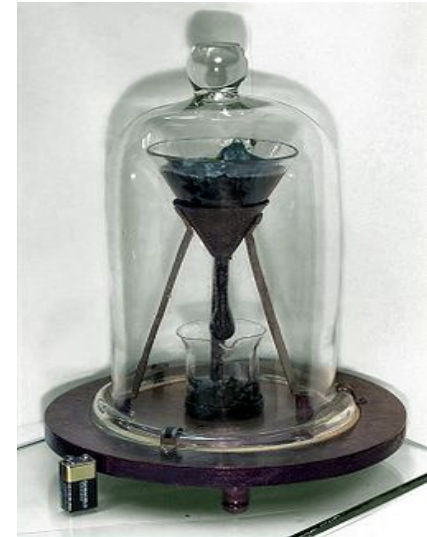
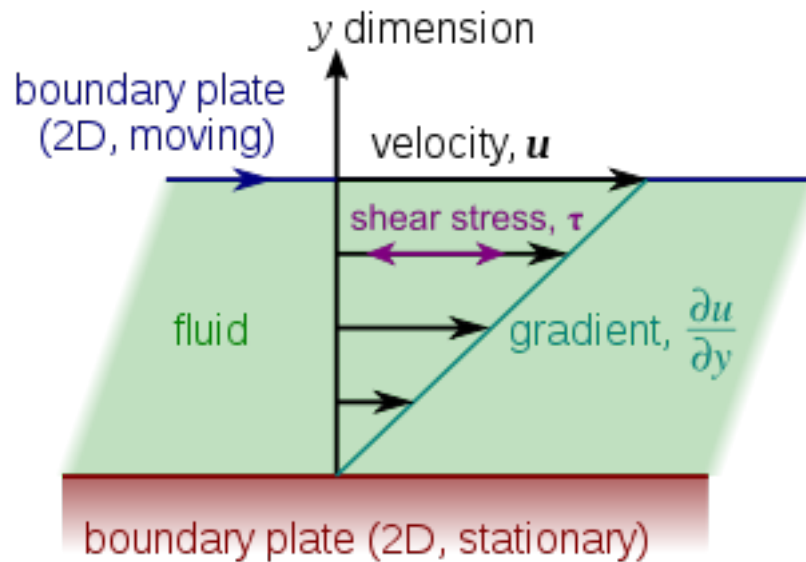
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News feeds

Viscosity

- Introduced by Claude Navier in 1822 (Navier Stokes equation)



Pitch tar: viscosity 230 billion times that of water

$$\frac{F}{A} = \eta \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y}$$

A (nearly) perfect fluid

“Bjorken Hydrodynamics” for relativistic fluids

$$\frac{d\varepsilon}{d\tau} = - \frac{\left(\varepsilon + P - \frac{4}{3} \frac{\eta}{\tau}\right)}{\tau}$$

Viscous term smaller than ideal term for

$$\frac{\eta}{\varepsilon + P} \frac{1}{\tau} \equiv \left[\frac{\eta}{s} \right] \frac{1}{\tau T} \ll 1$$

From kinetic theory

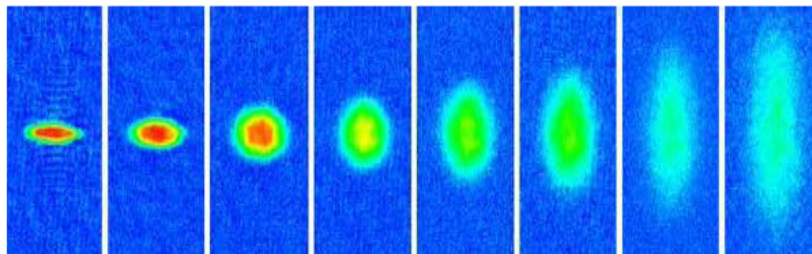
$$\frac{\eta}{s} \sim \frac{\hbar}{k_B} \frac{\tau_{\text{relax.}}}{\tau_{\text{quant.}}}$$



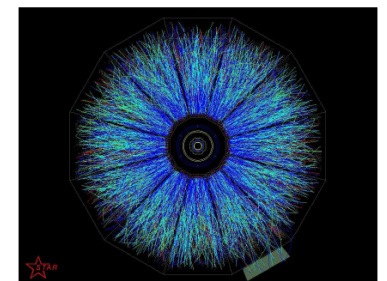
H₂O



⁴He



⁶Li



sQGP

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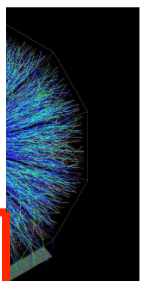
AdS/CFT:

$$\frac{\eta}{s} \geq \frac{\hbar}{k_B} \frac{1}{4\pi}$$



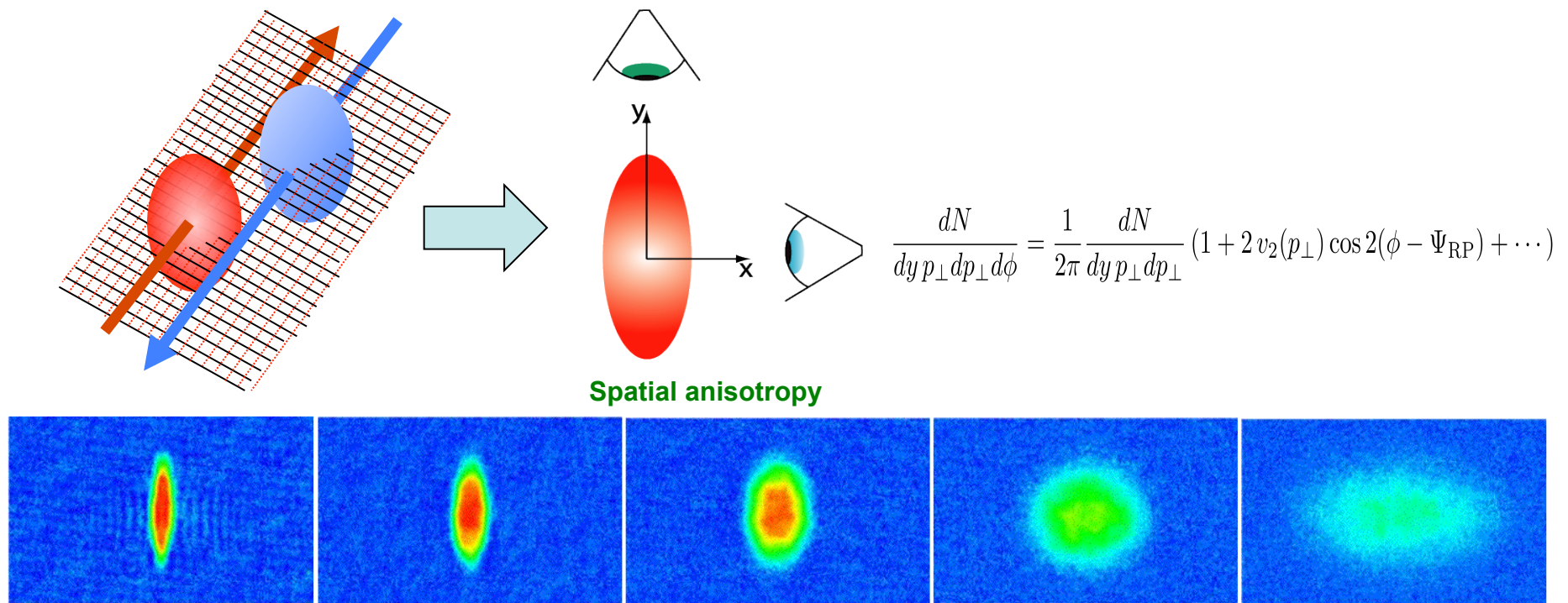
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Fluid	T [K]	η [Pa · s]	η/n [$\hbar$]	η/s [$\hbar/k_B$]
H ₂ O	370	2.9×10^{-4}	85	8.2
⁴ He	2	1.2×10^{-6}	0.5	1.9
⁶ Li ($ a_s \simeq \infty$)	23×10^{-6}	$\leq 1.7 \times 10^{-15}$	≤ 1	≤ 0.5
QGP	2×10^{12}	$\leq 5 \times 10^{11}$	-	≤ 0.4



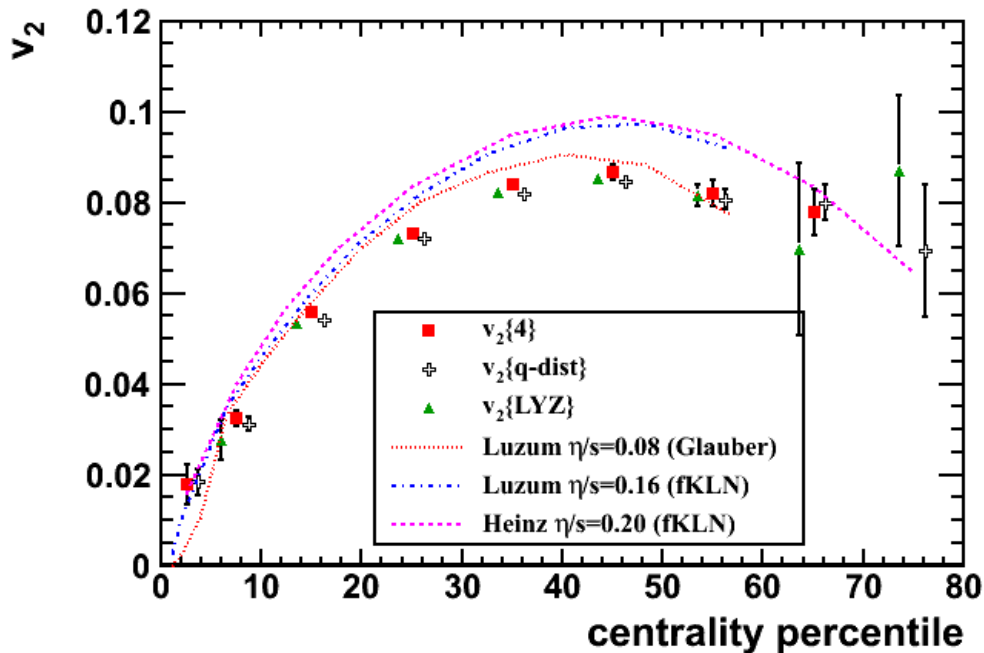
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Strong flow = (nearly) ideal hydrodynamics

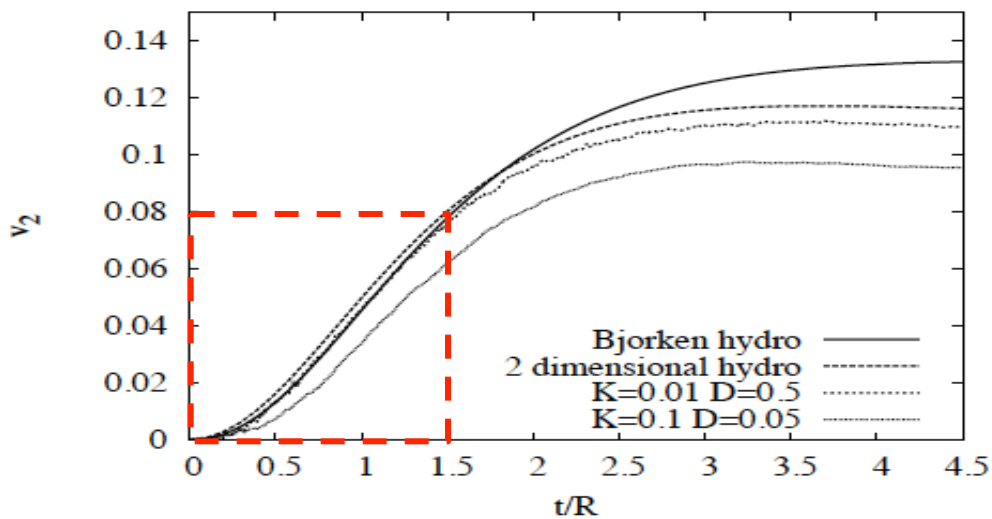


v_2 measures how efficiently hot matter converts spatial anisotropies to momentum anisotropy
– most efficient way is hydrodynamics

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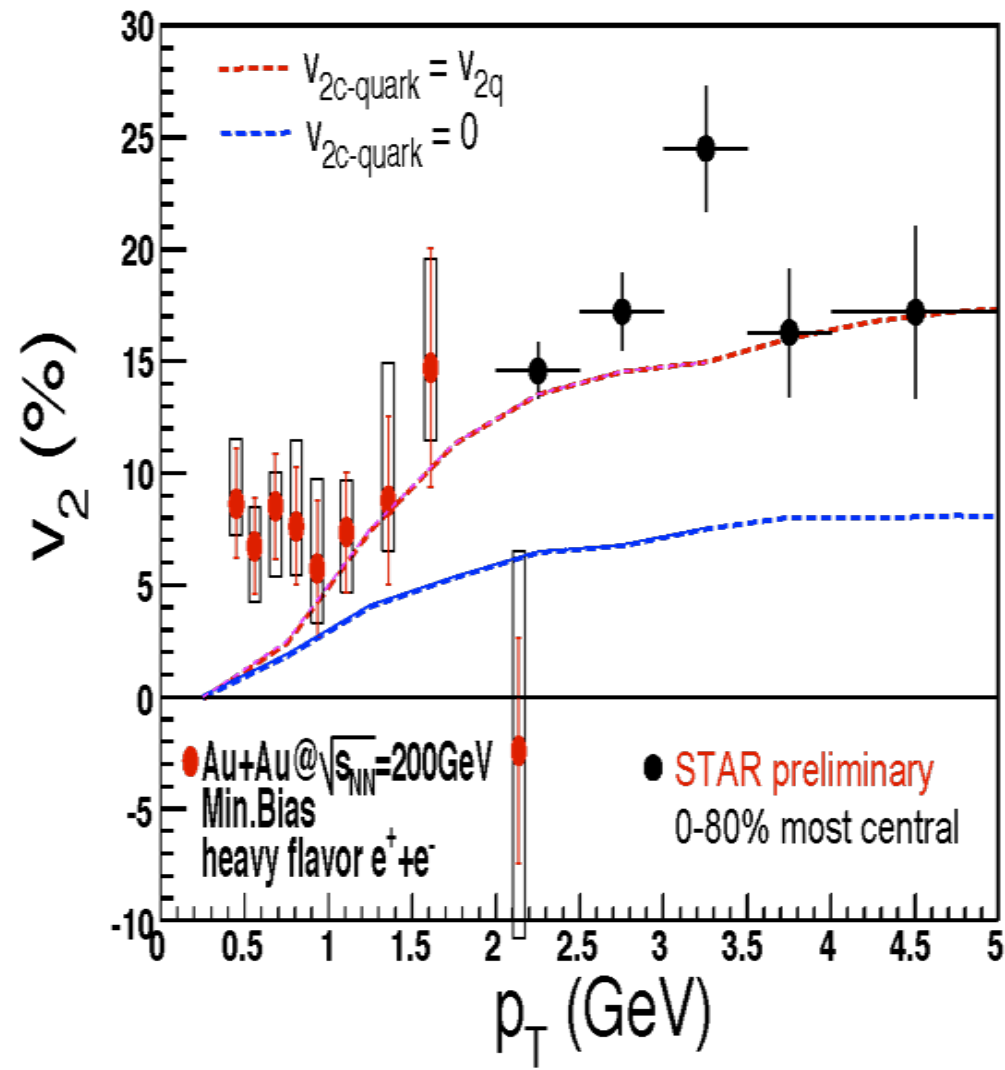


v_2 at LHC in agreement with (slightly) viscous relativistic hydrodynamics



Takes a long time $\sim R/c_s$ to build up v_2
Flow must set in very early (≤ 1 fm)

Even heavy quarks (charm & beauty flow)



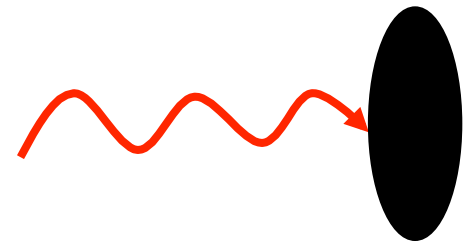
AdS/CFT and the KSS bound

AdS/CFT conjecture: Maldacena

“**Holographic Duality** between strongly coupled N=4 supersymmetric Yang-Mills theory at large coupling and Nc & classical 10 dimensional gravity in the background of D3 branes

KSS bound: Kovtun, Son, Starinets

Classical absorption cross-section of a graviton with energy ω on a black brane



$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{8\pi G}{\omega} \int dt d\mathbf{x} e^{i\omega t} \langle [T_{xy}(t, \mathbf{x}), T_{xy}(0, 0)] \rangle$$

From Kubo: $\eta = \frac{\sigma(0)}{16\pi G}$

From Beckenstein: $s = \frac{a}{4G}$

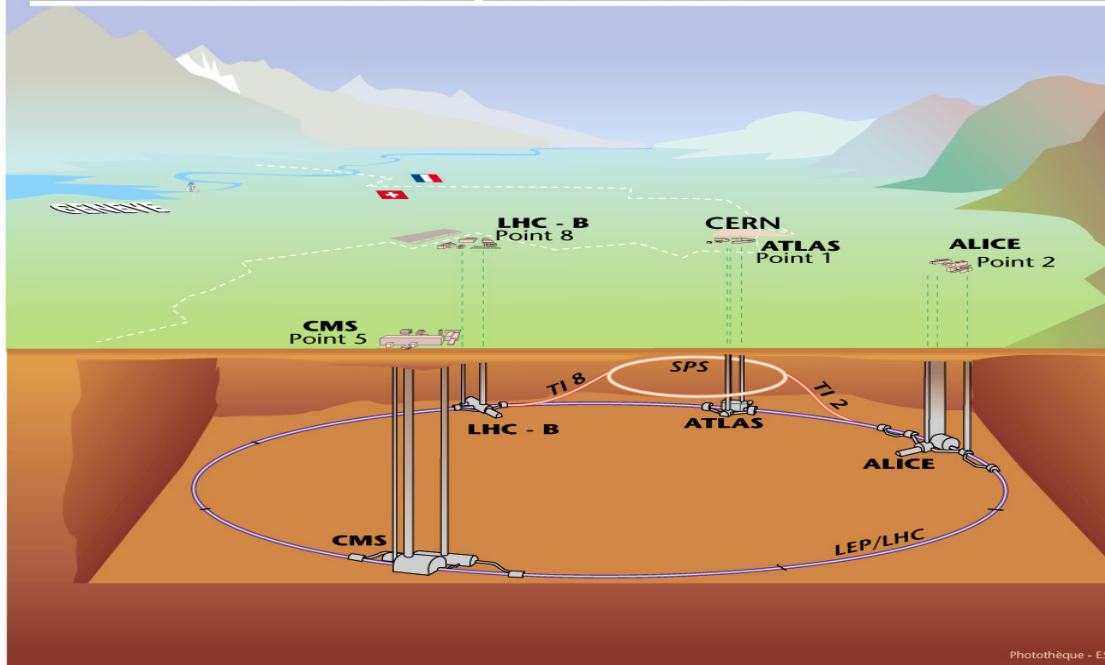
Theorem: $\sigma(0) = a$

where a = area of black brane

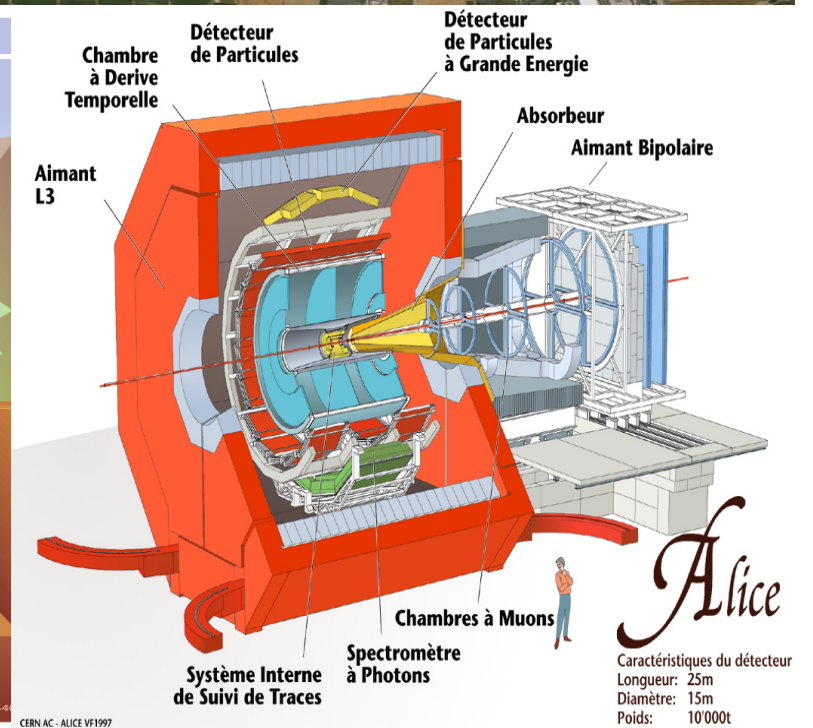
Putting it all together: $\frac{\eta}{s} \geq \frac{\hbar}{k_B} \frac{1}{4\pi}$



Vue d'ensemble des expériences LHC.



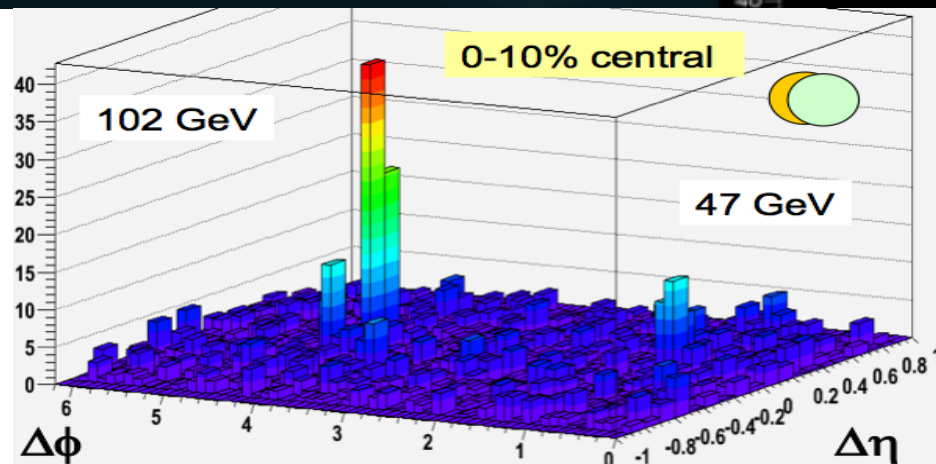
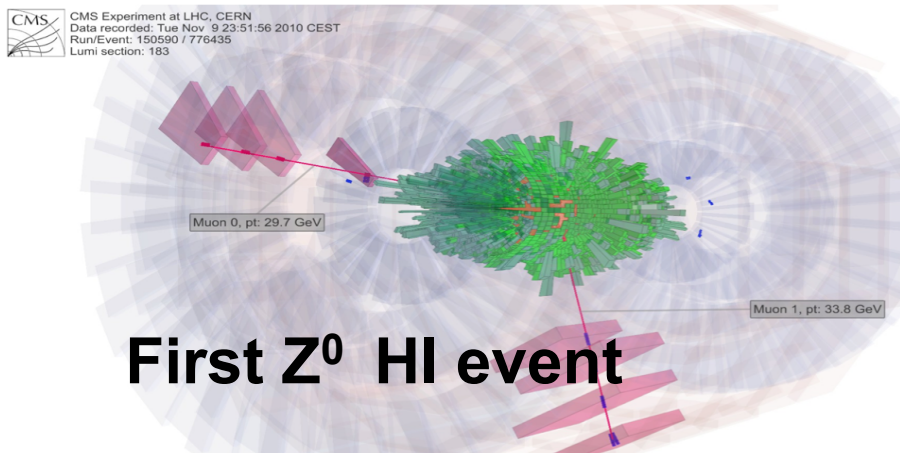
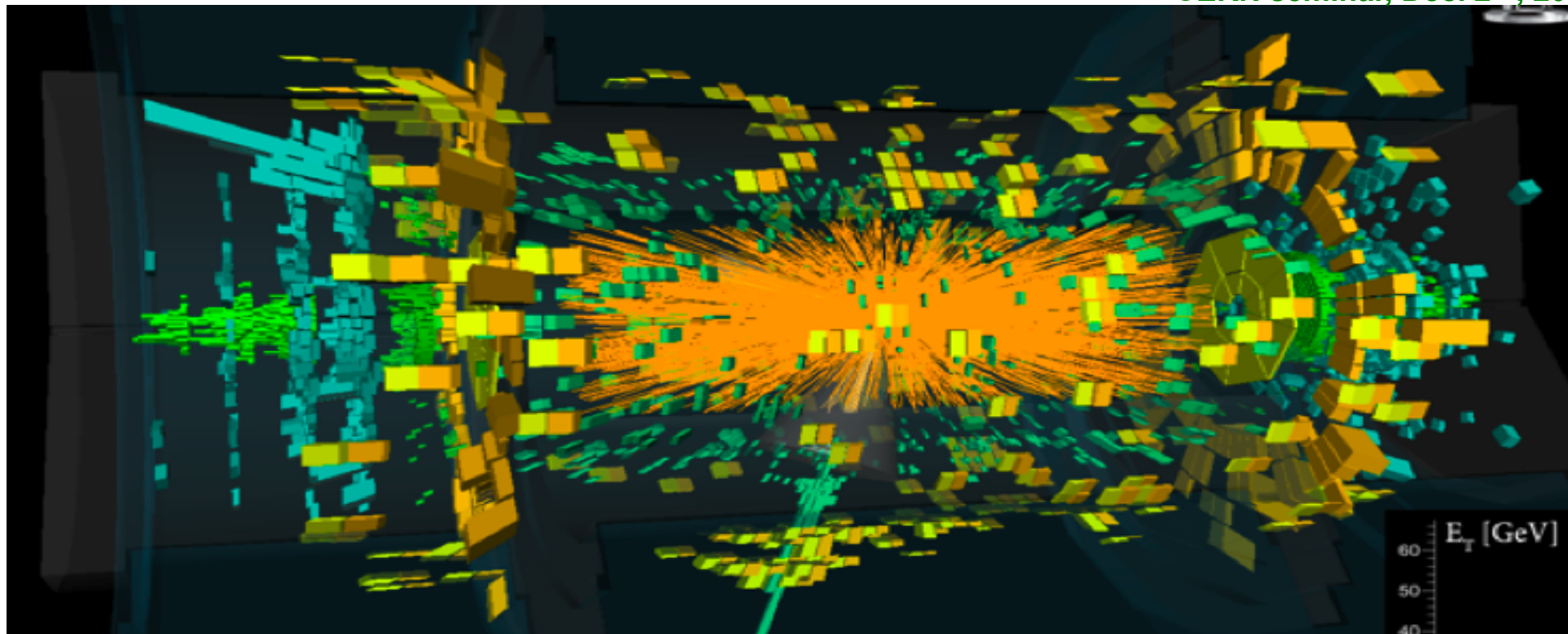
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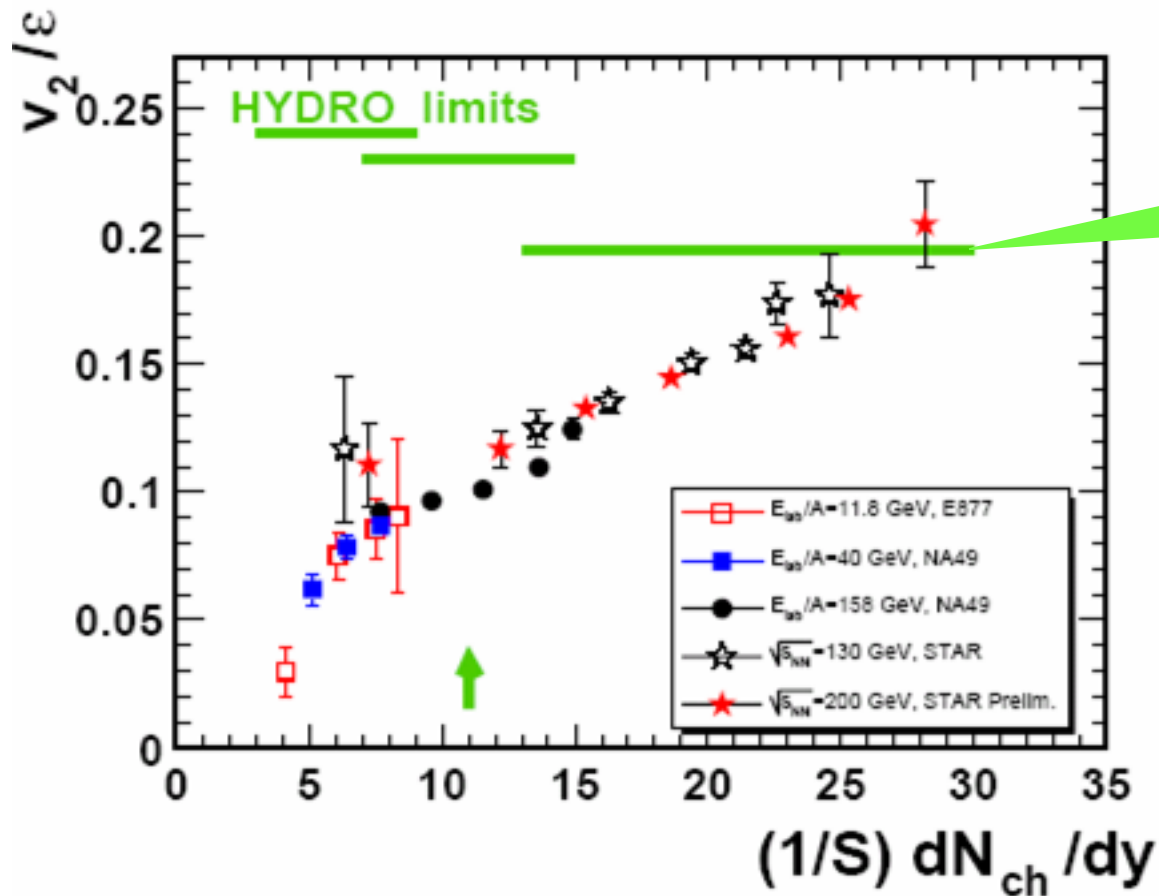
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A contemporary view

CERN seminar, Dec. 2nd, 2010



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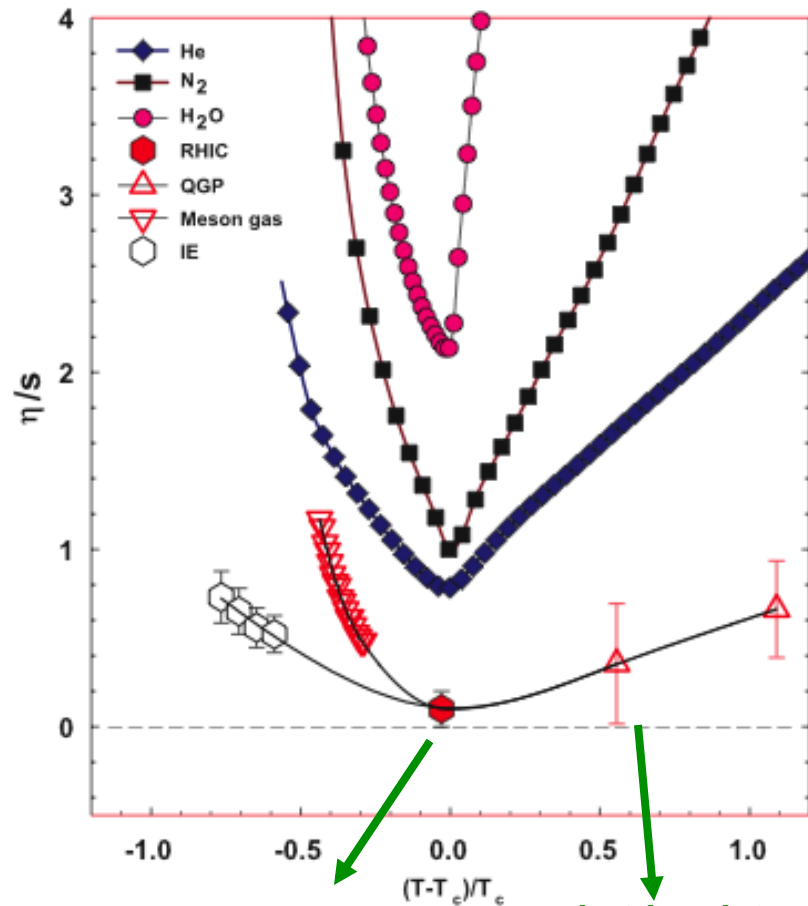
LHC !

CERN Press release, November 26, 2010:

'confirms that the much hotter plasma produced at the LHC behaves as a very low viscosity liquid (a perfect fluid)..'

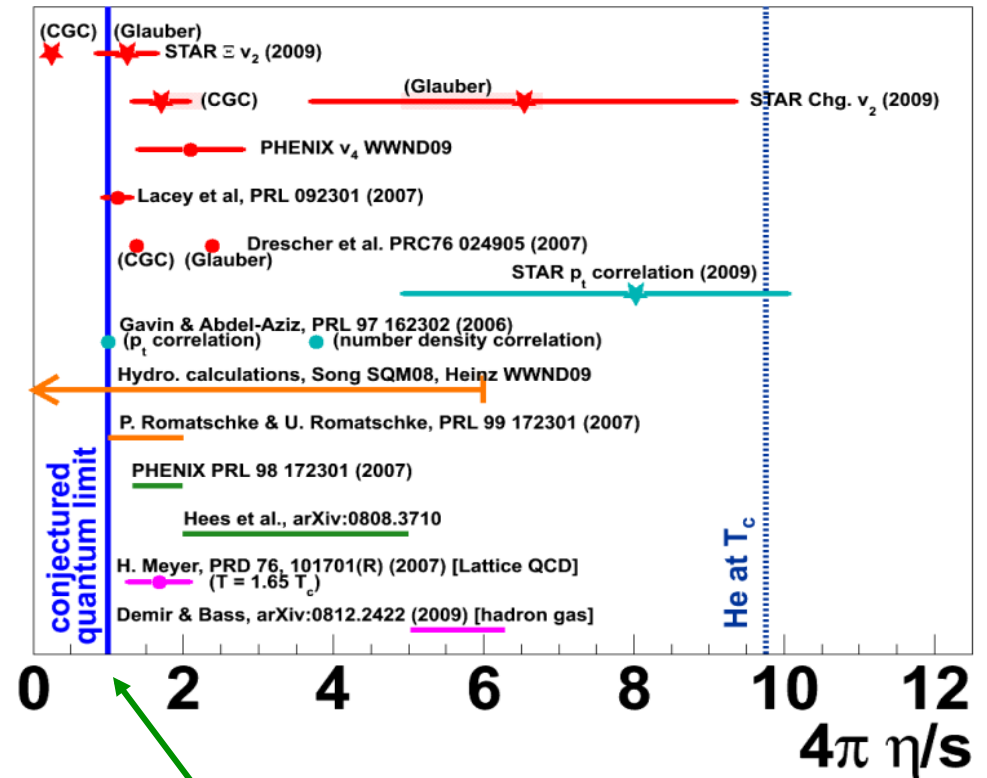
v_2 at RHIC and the LHC is large

Dissipation in the QGP relative to other fluids



Lacey, nucl-ex/0608046

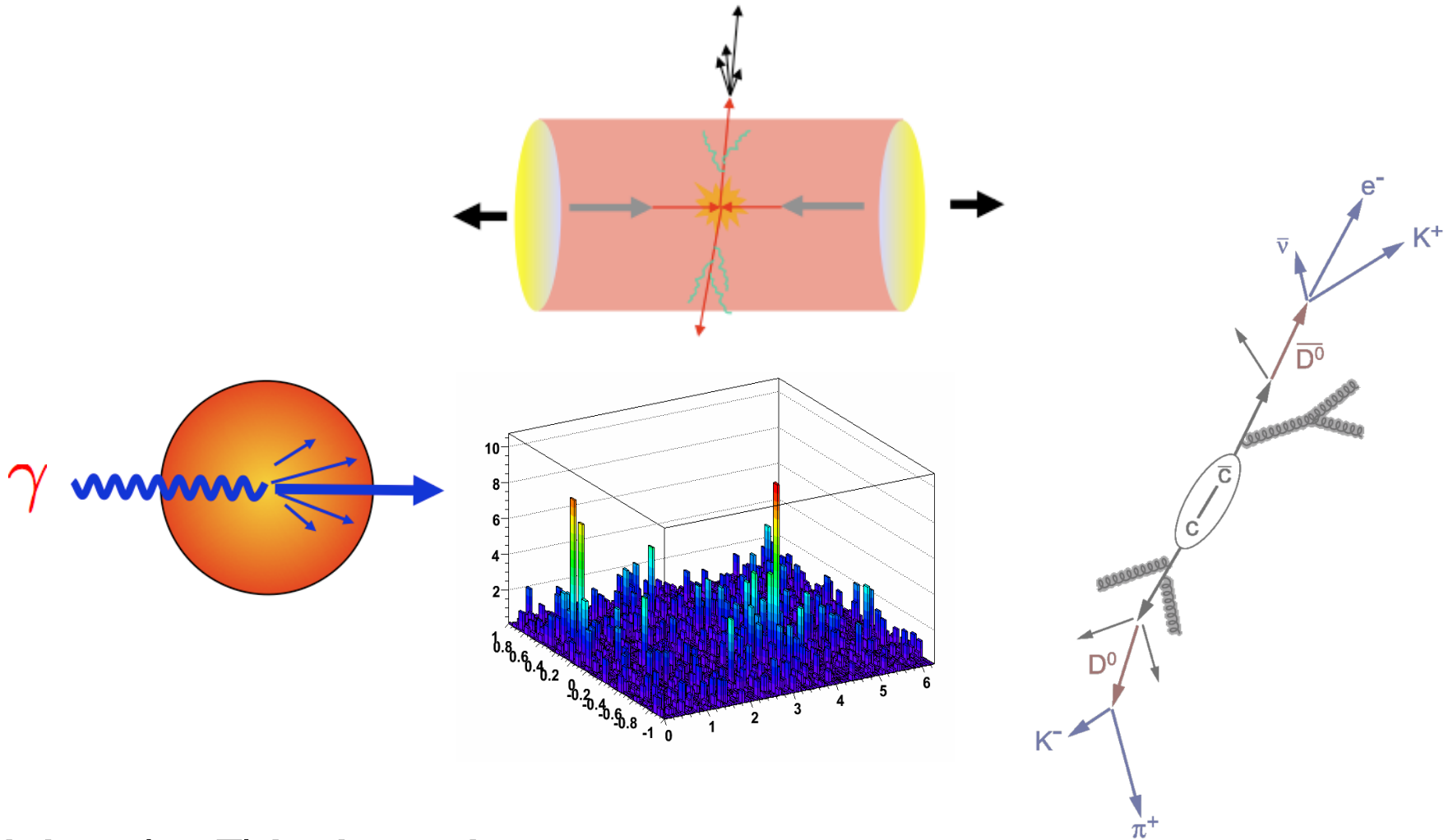
Lattice data:
Nakamura, Sakai,
PRL94 (2005)



RHIC estimates close to
conjectured **universal** lower
bound of $\eta/s = 1/4\pi$
(based on the AdS/CFT
correspondence)

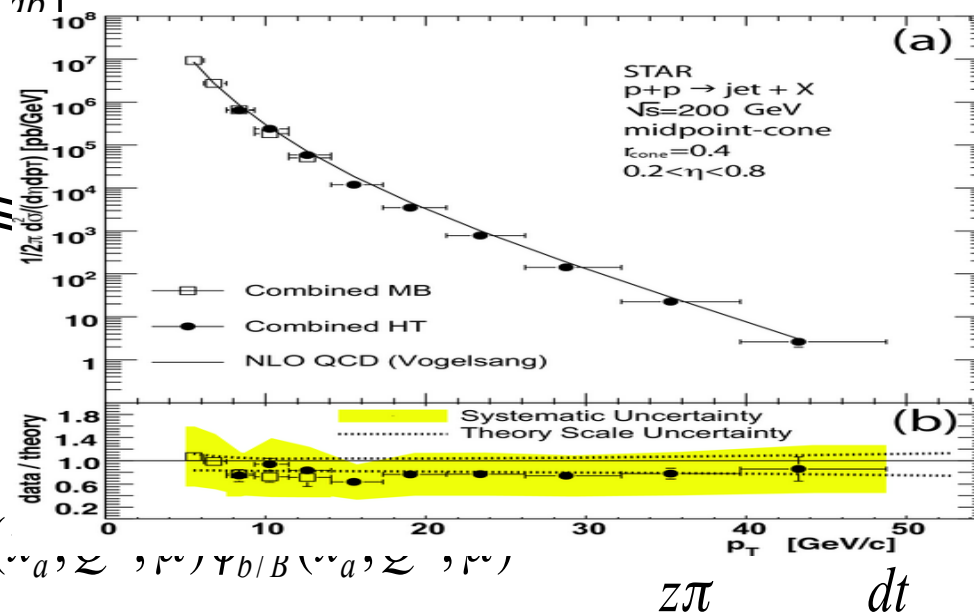
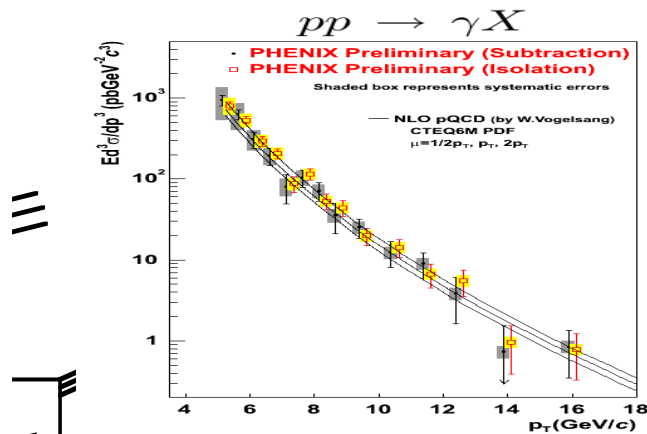
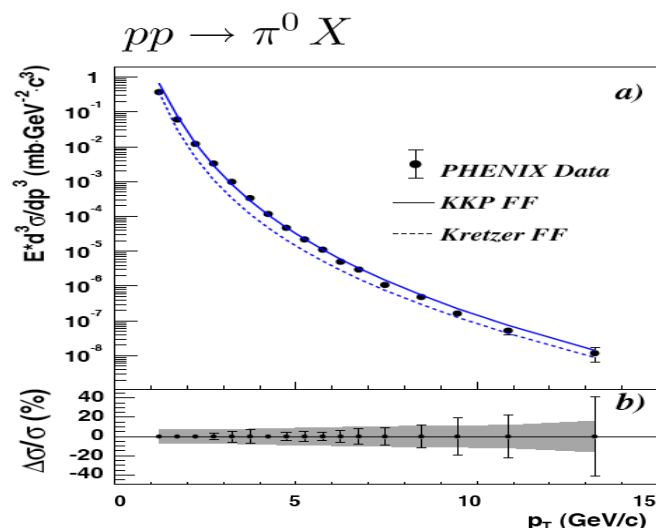
Kovtun, Son, Starinets

Hard Probes of the sQGP



High p_T ($\gg T$) hadrons, heavy mesons
(charm and beauty), J/ψ and Upsilon, hard photons and JETS...

The pp Benchmark for Heavy Ion Collisions

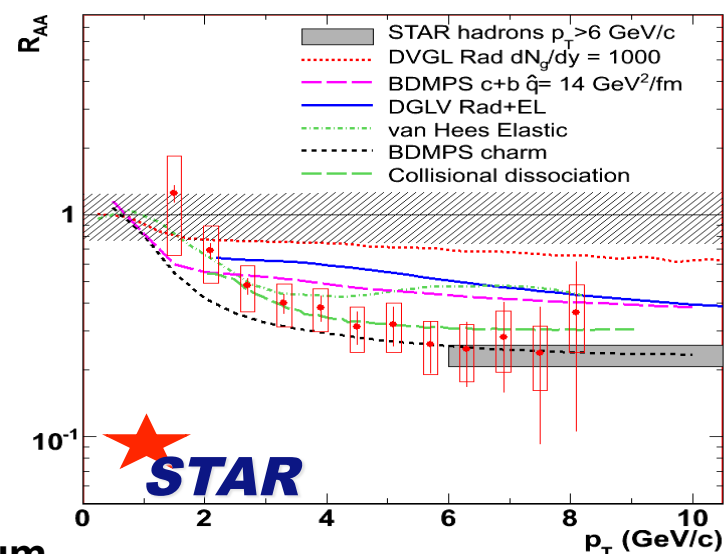
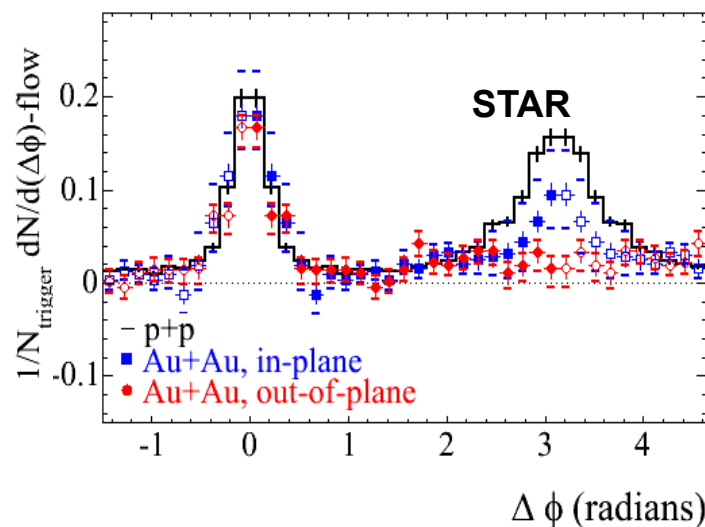
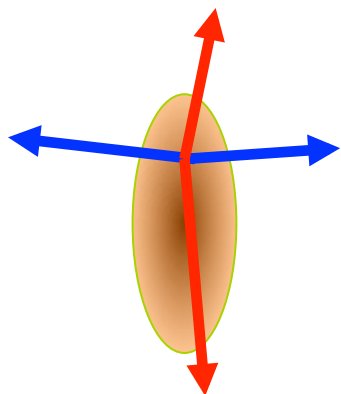
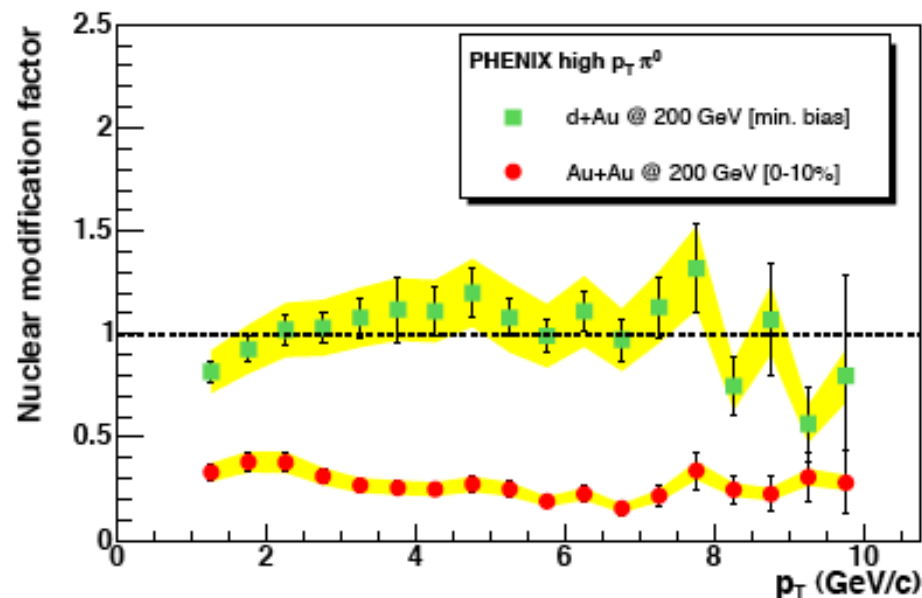


$$E \frac{d^3\sigma}{dp^3} = \sum_{abc} \int dx_a dx_b \phi_{a/A}(x_a, z_a, \mu_a) \phi_{b/B}(x_b, z_b, \mu_b) \phi_{c/C}(x_c, z_c, \mu_c) \frac{d^3\sigma_{abc}}{dp^3}$$

pQCD works exceptionally well!

Hard probes are modified by strongly interacting medium

$$R_{AA} = \frac{\text{Yield}_{\text{AuAu}} / \langle N_{\text{binary}} \rangle_{\text{AuAu}}}{\text{Yield}_{pp}}$$

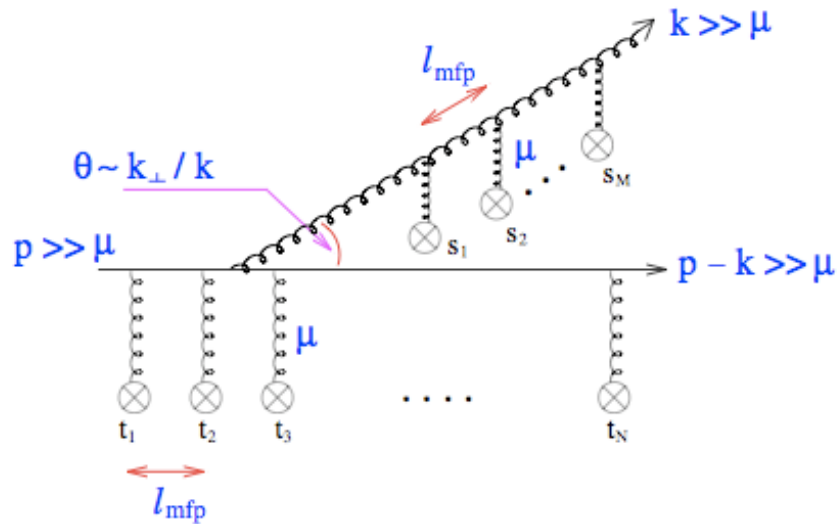


Energy loss dependent on parton path length in medium

Heavy quarks suppressed just as much as light quarks!

Energy loss in hot QCD matter

Bjorken
Gyulassy-Wang
Baier, Dokshitzer, Mueller, Peigne, Schiff
Zakharov



$$-\frac{dE}{dz} = \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{4} p_{\perp}^2 ; p_{\perp}^2 = \hat{q} L$$

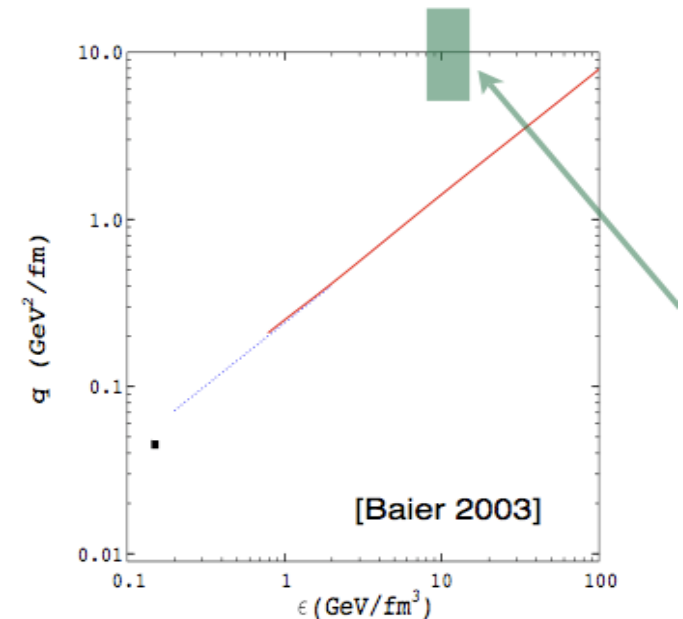
$$\hat{q}_{\text{ideal gas}} \simeq \frac{72}{\pi} \xi(3) \alpha_s^2 T^3 \simeq 2\epsilon^{3/4}$$

Detailed model estimates all over the place

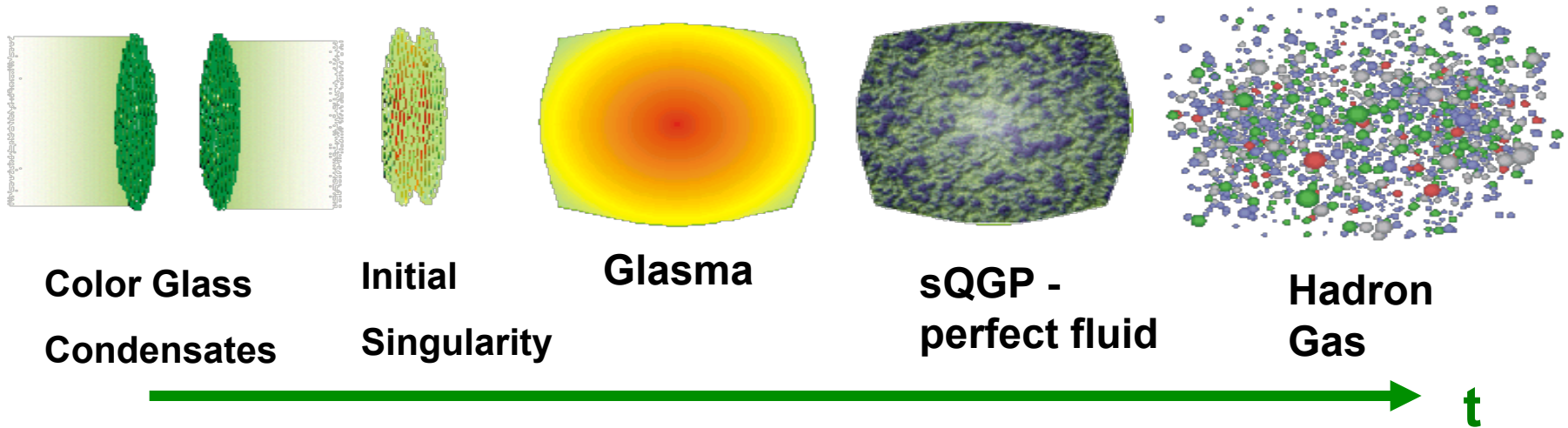
$$\hat{q} = 1.5 - 19 \text{ GeV}^2/\text{fm}$$

Significantly higher than ideal gas!

Characterizes properties
of hot medium



Standard model of HI Collisions





QGP