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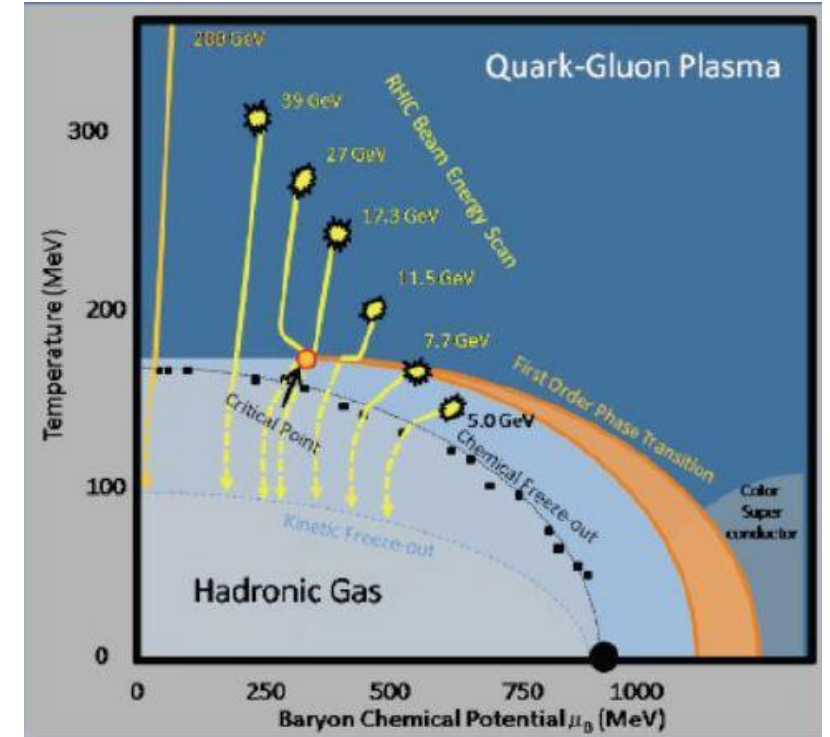
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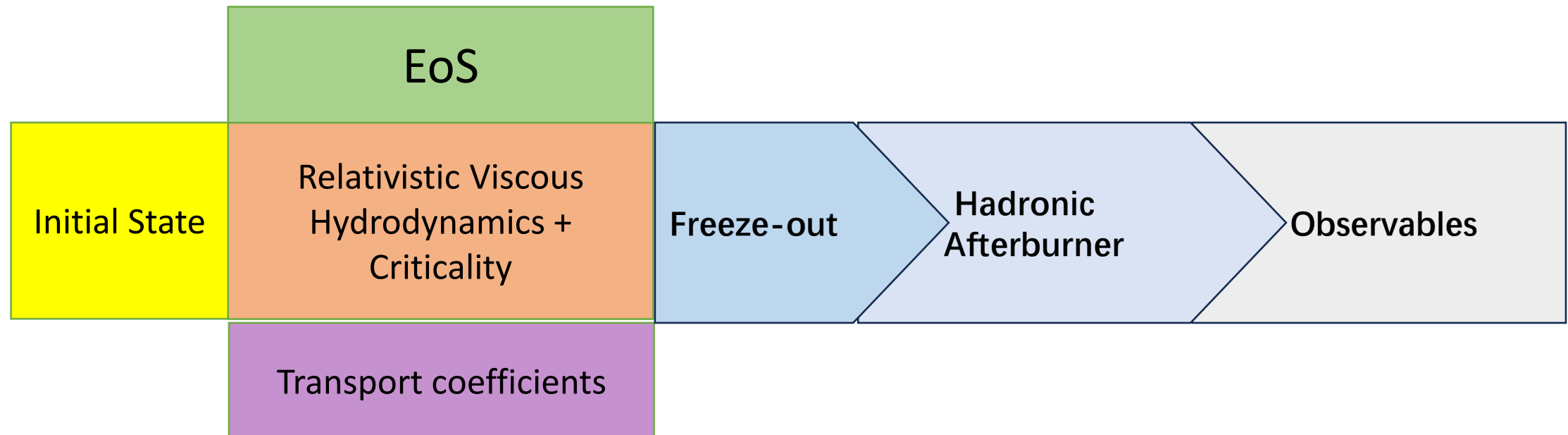
QCD phase diagram

- **Lattice QCD** (small μ_B finite T):
 - Crossover Y. Aoki et al, Nature 443, 675 (2006).
 - **Effective models** (large μ_B)
 - 1st order phase trans. W.J.Fu et al., PRD 77, 014006
S.X.Qin et al., PRL. 106, 172301
C. S. Fischer, PPNP. 105, 1.....
- **Critical point**
- Lattice QCD: sign problem at large μ_B
 - Effective models: parameters dependent
- **Heavy-ion collisions :**
- tuning $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$, mapping $T - \mu$ phase diagram:
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Hybrid model for QCD critical point search

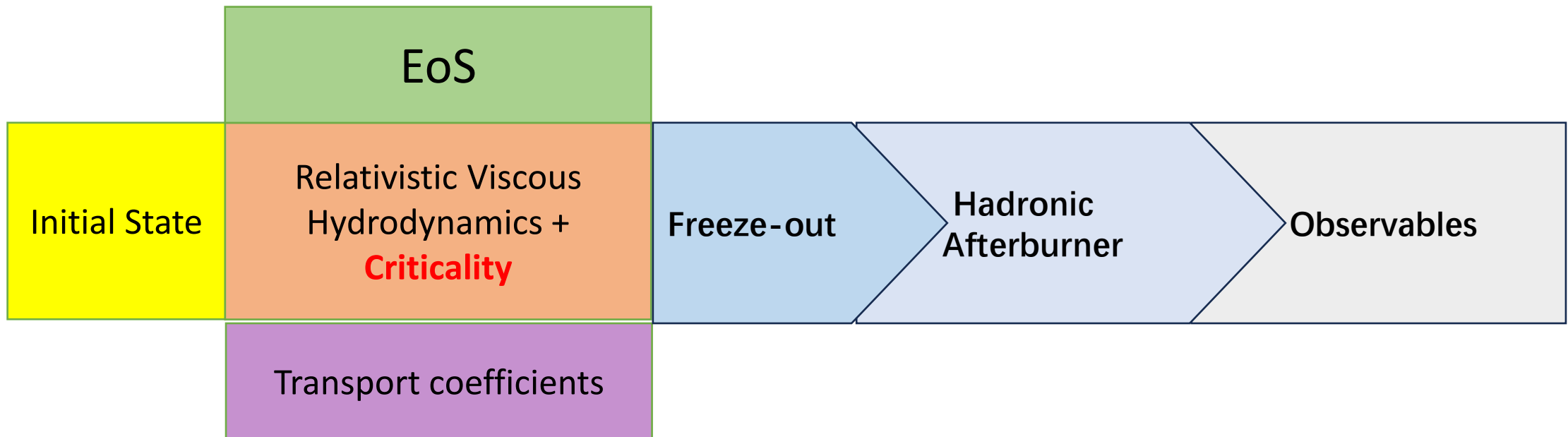
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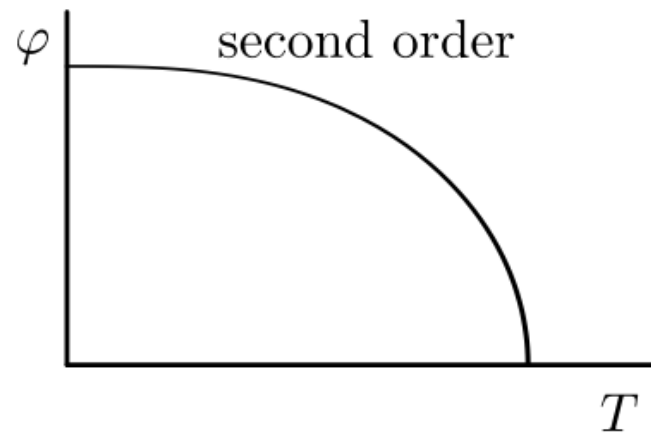
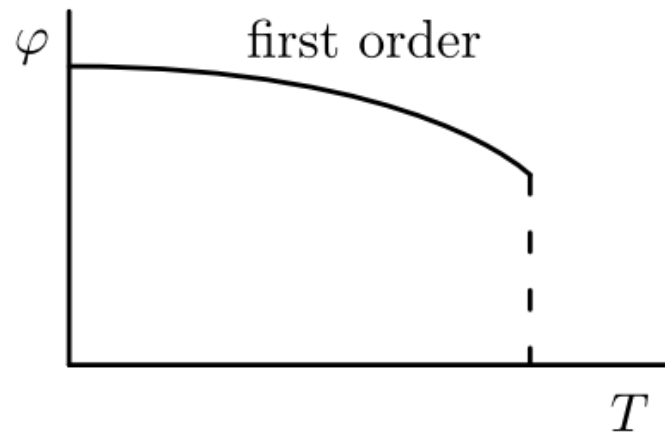
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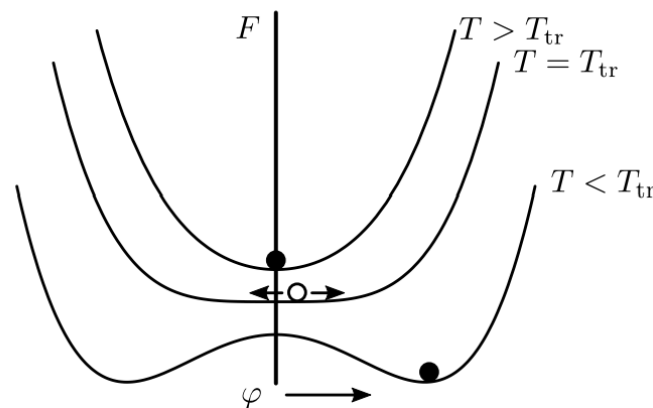
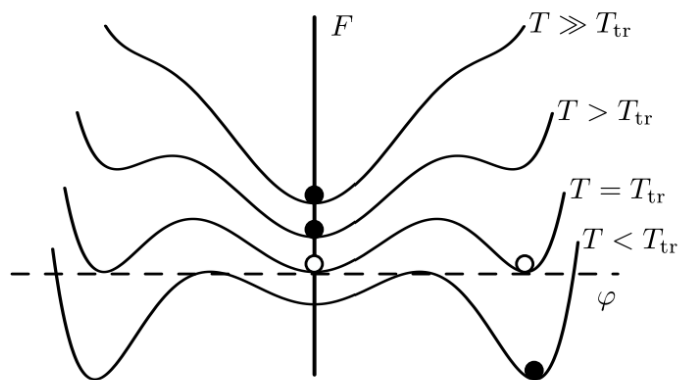


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Theory of phase transition



Order parameter: identify symmetry and symmetry breaking



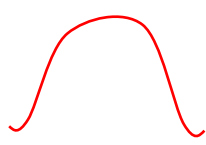
Lev Landau

Higher order cumulants are sensitive to ξ

Stephanov PRL 102,032301(2009)

- Probability of order parameter σ :

$$P[\sigma] \sim \exp\{\Omega[\sigma]/T\},$$

$$\Omega = \int d^3x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\nabla\sigma)^2 + \frac{m_\sigma^2}{2} \sigma^2 + \frac{\lambda_3}{3} \sigma^3 + \frac{\lambda_4}{4} \sigma^4 + \dots \right]$$


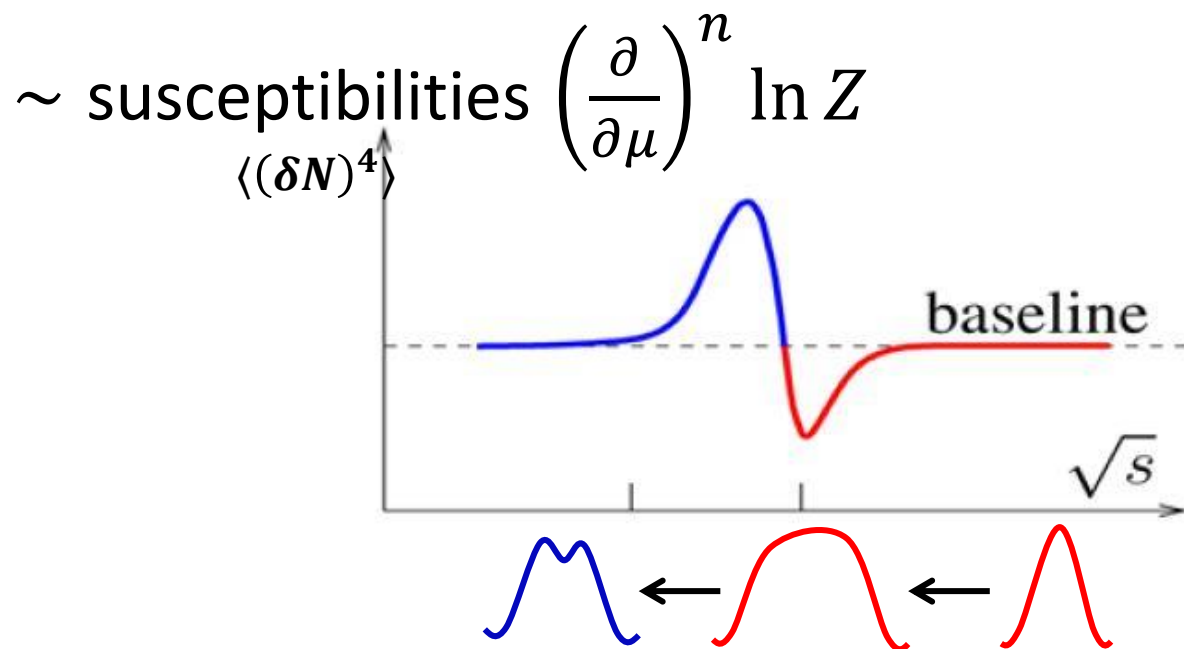
- Coupling with hadrons via σNN ($\xi = 1/m_\sigma$):

$$\langle (\delta N)^2 \rangle \sim \xi^2, \quad \langle (\delta N)^3 \rangle \sim \xi^{9/2}, \quad \langle (\delta N)^4 \rangle \sim \xi^7$$

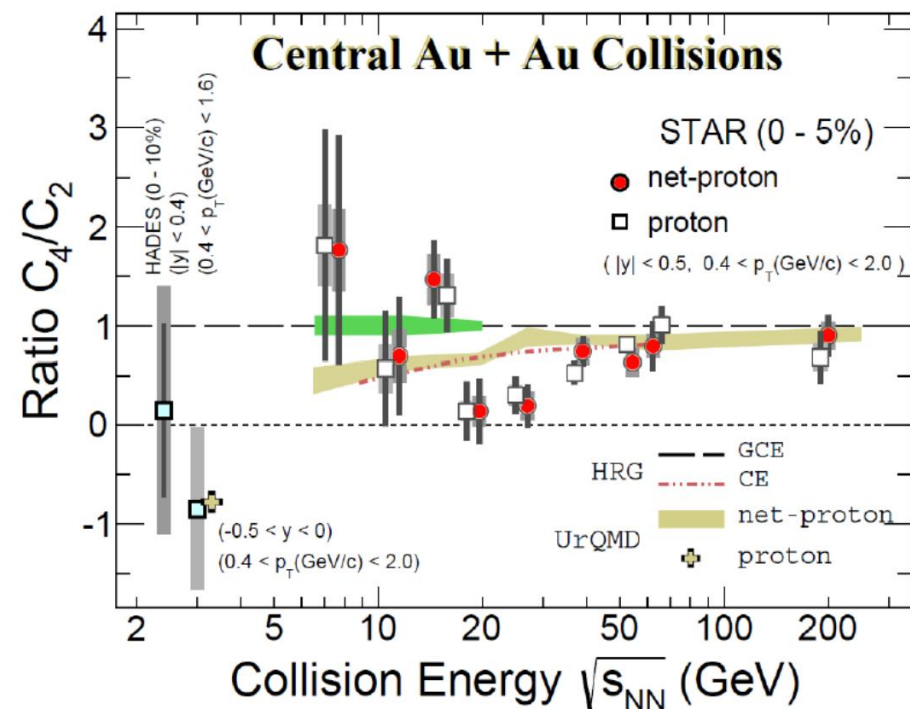
Higher cumulants (ratios) are sensitive the shape of distribution

Net-proton fluctuations v.s. $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$

- Characteristic feature of critical point:
 - long range correlation
 - large fluctuations
- **Non-monotonicity** of Net-Proton Cumulant



M.Stephanov, PRL 107,052301



STAR, PRL 126,092301

STAR, PRL 128,202303

Long-range correlation => acceptance dependence

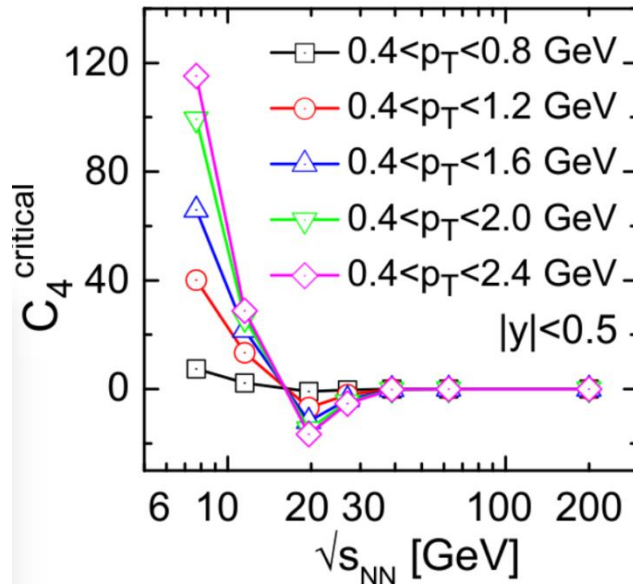
- Multiplicity

$$N = \int_{p_{min}}^{p_{max}} \frac{d^3p}{E} \int_{\Sigma} \frac{p_{\mu} d\sigma^{\mu}}{2\pi^3} f(x, p)$$

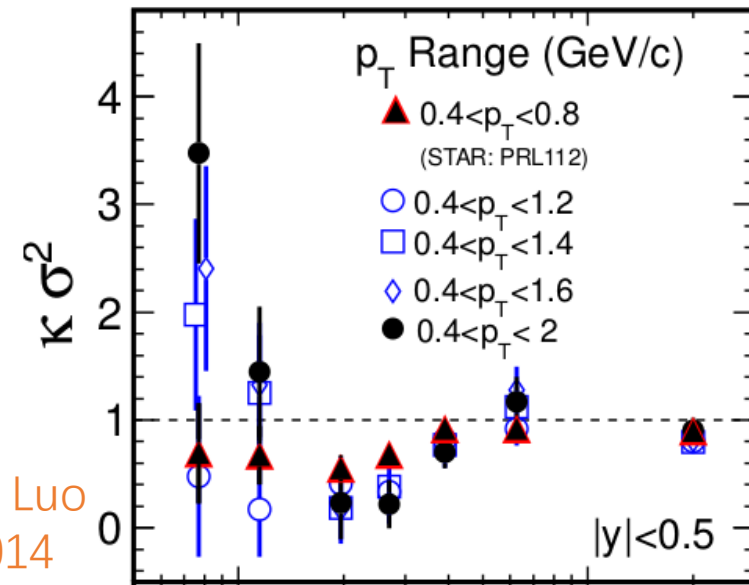
Larger acceptance, **more particle correlated**

Jiang,Li,Song,PRC (2016)

Ling,Stephanov,PRC (2016)



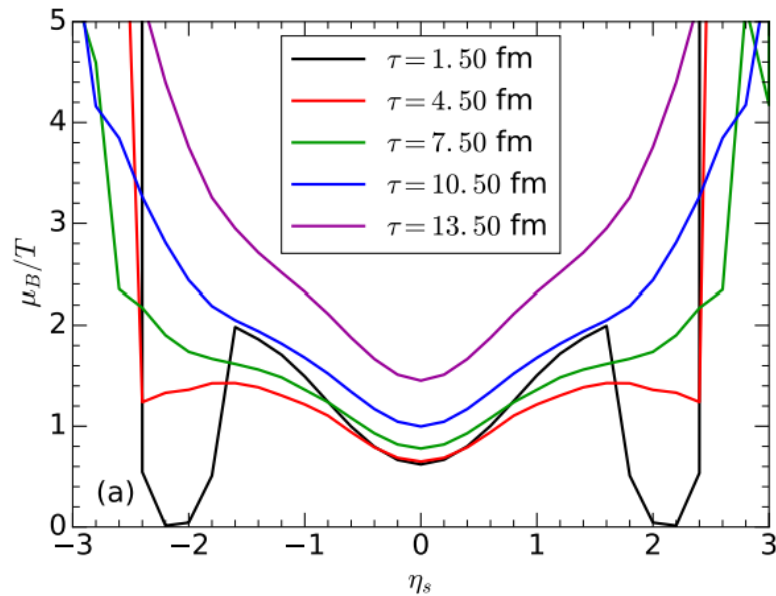
Xiaofeng Luo
CPOD 2014



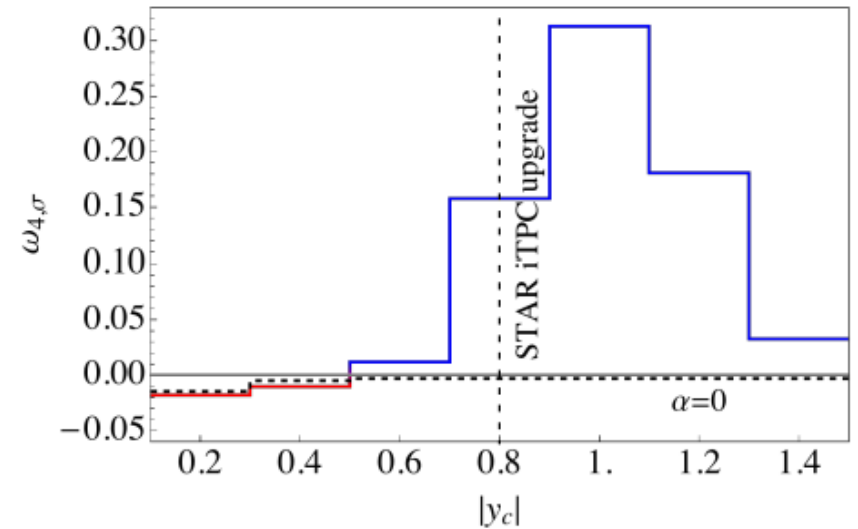
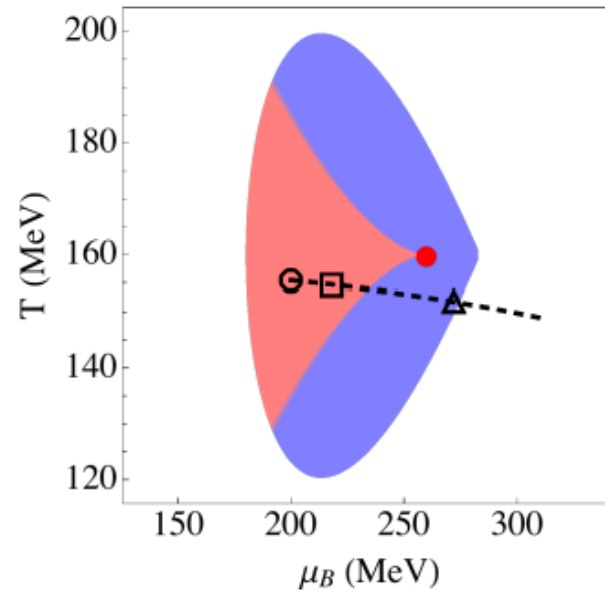
Acceptance dependence is non-trivial

- Non-trivial
- Larger acceptance \rightarrow different critical region

G. S. Denicol et al, PRC 98,034916

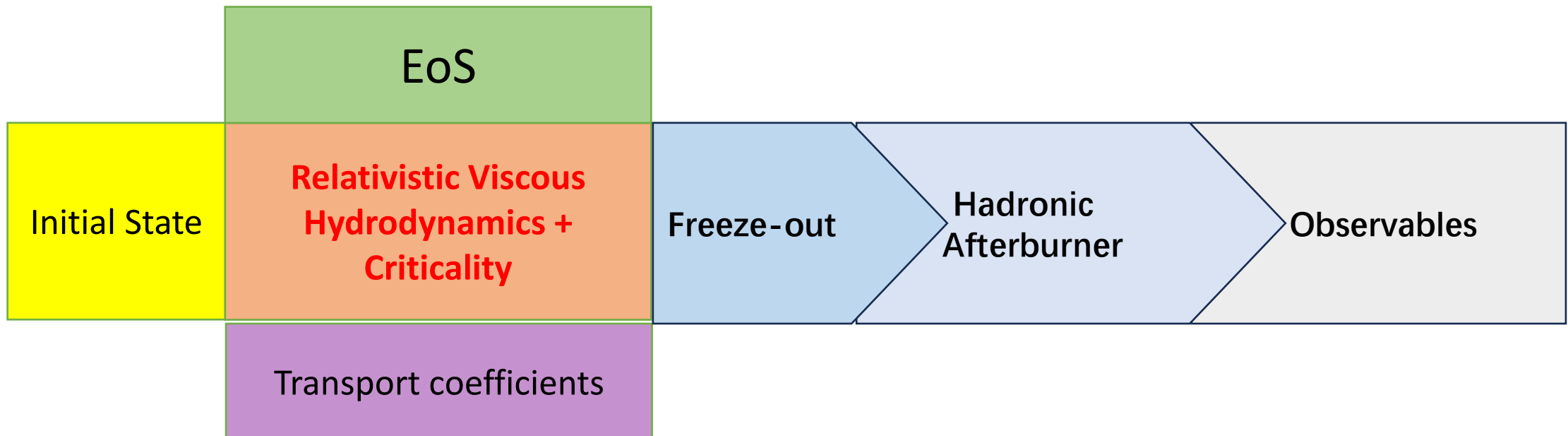


J. Brewer et al., 1804.10215



Non-equilibrium critical fluctuations

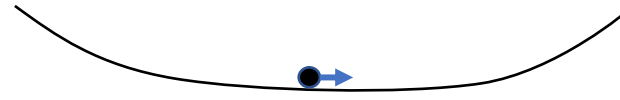
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Critical slowing down modifies cumulants

- =>Long range correlation!
- =>Critical slowing Down!



Slow, near critical point

Probability of order parameter $\sigma = \langle \bar{q}q \rangle$:

$$P[\sigma] \sim \exp\{F[\sigma]/T\},$$

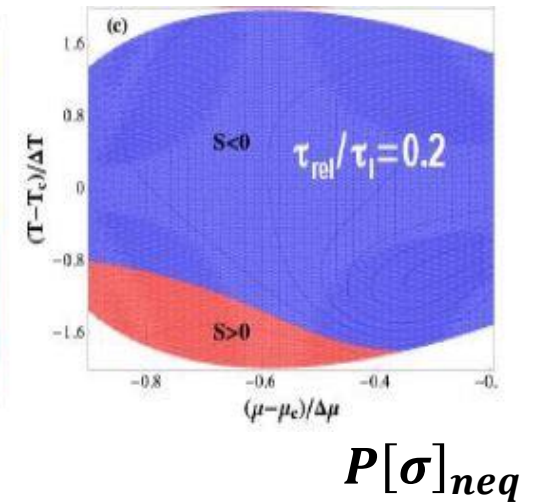
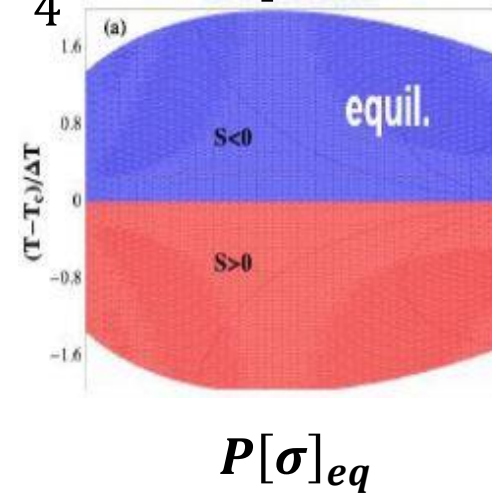
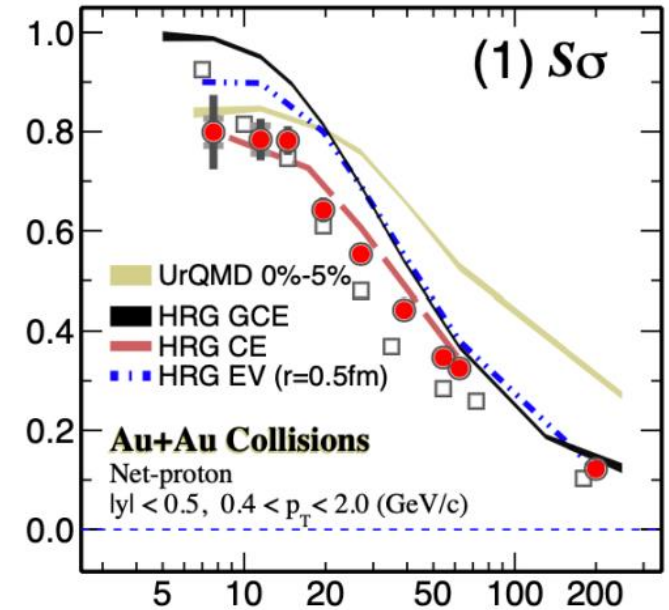
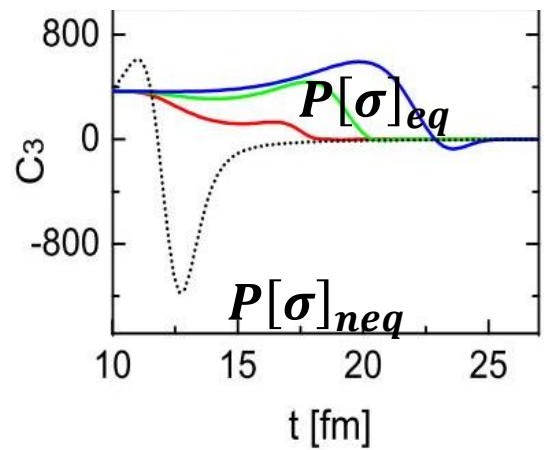
$$F = \int d^3x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\nabla\sigma)^2 + \frac{m_\sigma^2}{2} \sigma^2 + \frac{\lambda_3}{3} \sigma^3 + \frac{\lambda_4}{4} \sigma^4 + \dots \right]$$

Fokker-Planck equation: $\partial_t P[\sigma(t)] = \dots$

Mukherjee, Venugopalan, Yin, PRC 92.034912(2015)

Langevin equation: $\partial_t \sigma(t) = \dots$

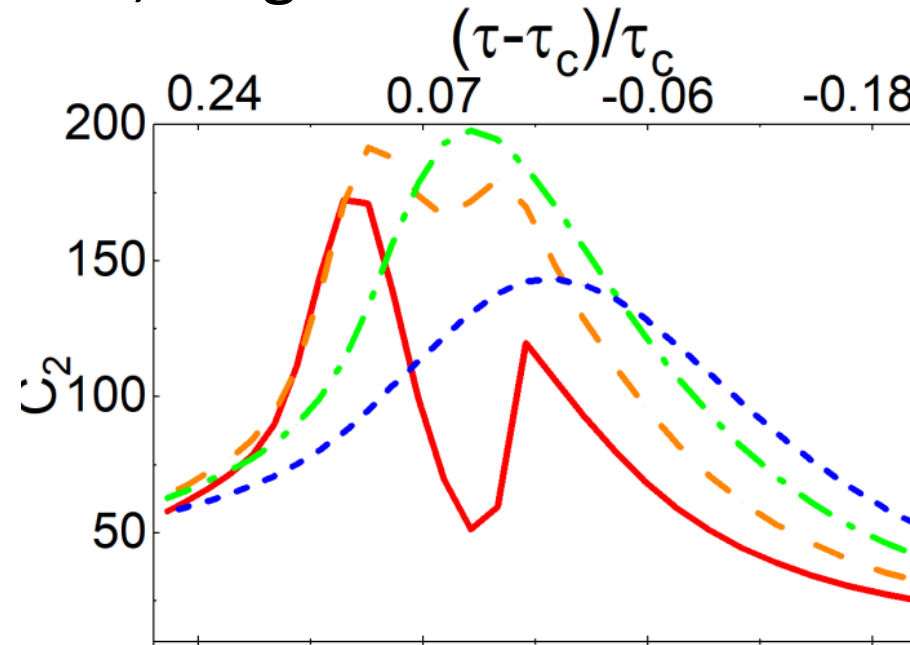
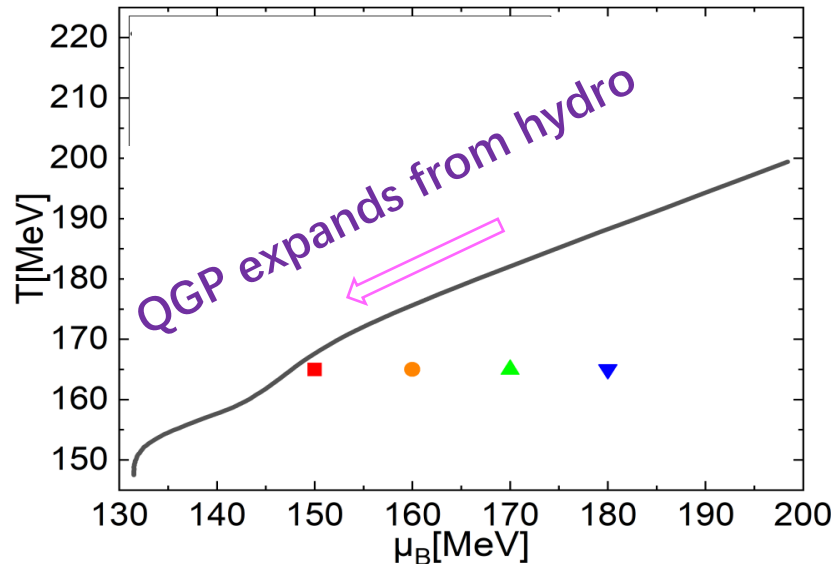
L.Jiang et al., 2112.04667



Largest fluctuations \neq closest to critical point

S.Tang, SW, H.Song, 2303.15017

- Hydro background cools down => **Critical Slowing Down**.
- Critical slowing down effects suppress the fluctuations
- Fireball closer to critical point, Larger fluctuations but **larger suppression**



$$C_2 \sim \xi^2$$

$$\tau_{relax} \sim \xi^z, z = 3$$

Far from CP
Close to CP

Build the dynamical model near QCD critical point

- Near critical point, $\xi \rightarrow \infty$, only some **macroscopic degree of freedoms** are relevant.
- Only needs to build the dynamical model according to **dynamical universality class**.
P. C. Hohenberg and B. I. Halperin, Rev. Mod. Phys. 49, 435 (1977)
- Near QCD critical point, dynamical system belongs to **Model H**.
- Relevant d.o.f for model H:
 - Conserved order parameter ($\sigma + n$)
 - Conserved transverse momentum
 - Poisson bracket between themD. T. Son and M. A. Stephanov, Phys. Rev. D 70, 056001 (2004).

N χ FD

- Non-equilibrium chiral fluid dynamics(N χ FD). Langevin equation for sigma field: damping and noise from the interaction with the quarks:

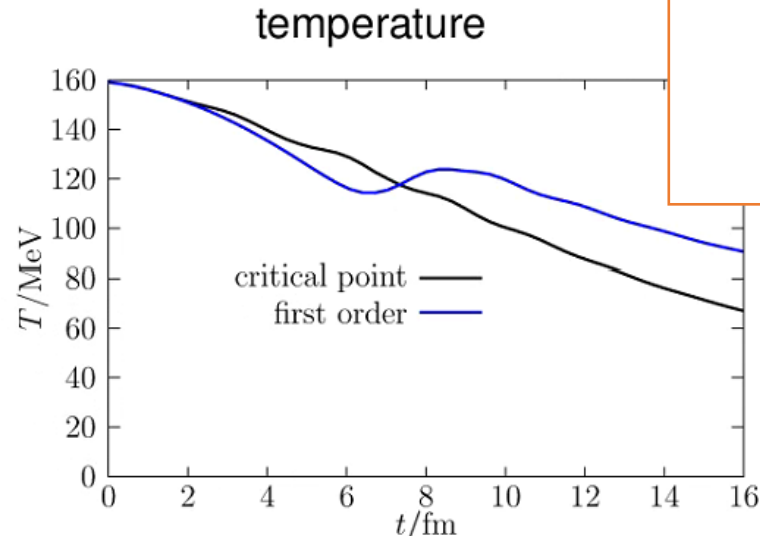
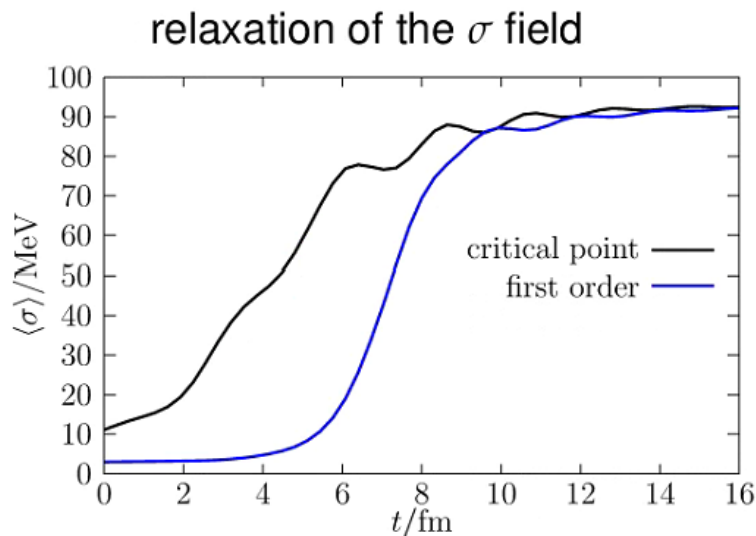
$$\eta \partial_\tau \sigma = \frac{\delta U}{\delta \sigma} + \text{noise}$$

Marlene et al.,
arXiv:1105.1962

- Fluid dynamics expansion of the quark fluid=heat bath

$$\partial_\mu T_q^{\mu\nu} = S^\nu = -\partial_\mu T_\sigma^{\mu\nu}$$

- Relevant d.o.f for model H:
 - ✓ Conserved order parameter ($\sigma + n$)
 - ✓ Conserved transverse momentum
 - ✓ Poisson bracket between them



Model B

- Relevant d.o.f for model H:
 - ✓ Conserved order parameter ($\sigma + n$)
 - ✗ Conserved transverse momentum
 - ✗ Poisson bracket between them

- Dynamics of conserved charge:

$$\partial_\tau n = \nabla^2 n + \text{noise}$$

- Critical slowing down compete with diffusion

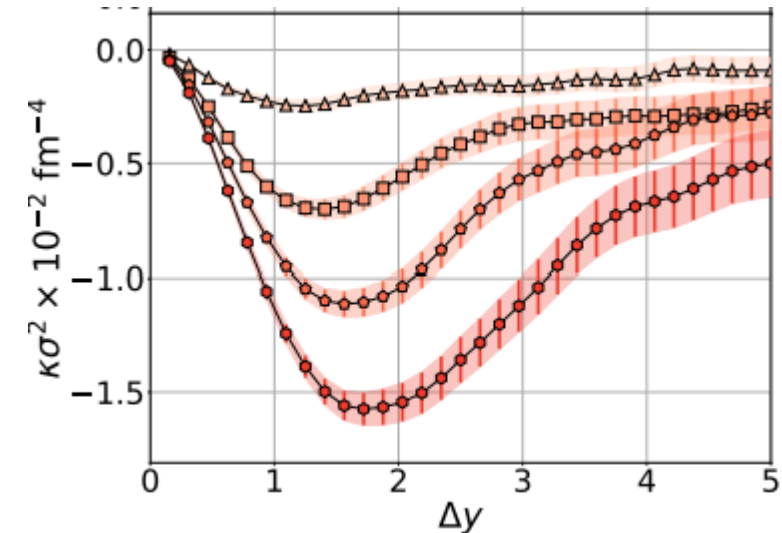
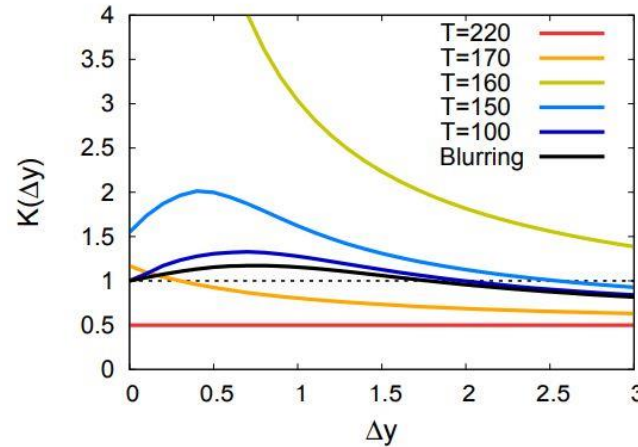
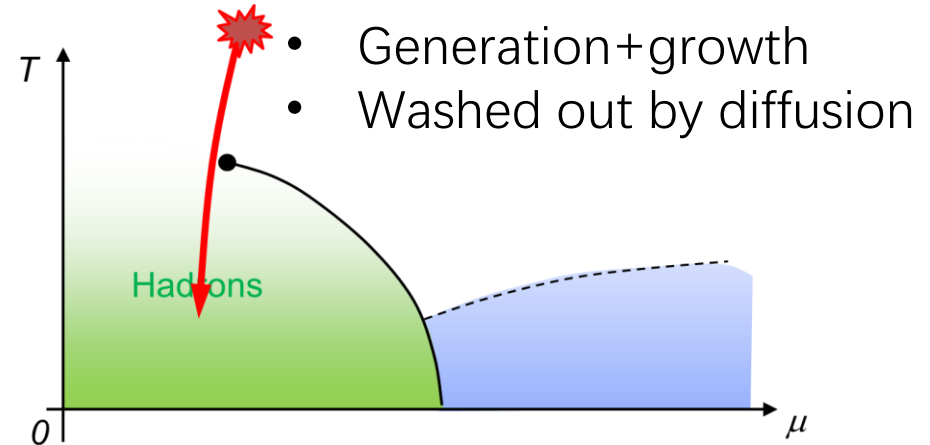
→ non-monotonic

→ Oscillation w.r.t accept.?

Sakaida et al, PRC.95.064905(2017)

- Dynamics of conserved charge with non-Gaussian terms:

- $\partial_\tau n = \nabla^2 (n + n^2 + n^3) + \text{noise}$



G.Pihan et al., PRC.107.014908(2022), S.Wu et al., in progress

Hydro-Fluctuations

- Relevant d.o.f for model H:
 - ✗ Conserved order parameter ($\sigma + n$)->noise
 - ✓ Conserved transverse momentum
 - ✓ Poisson bracket between them

- Thermal fluctuations in hydrodynamics equations:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T_{\text{ideal}}^{\mu\nu} + T_{\text{viscous}}^{\mu\nu} + S^{\mu\nu}$$

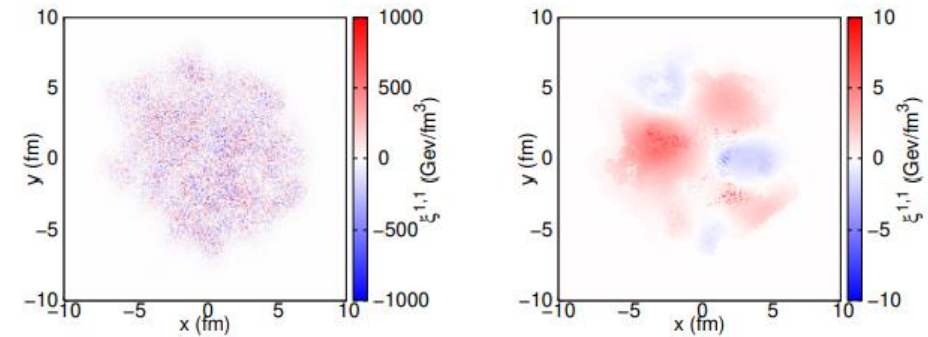
T.Hirano et al., arXiv:1809.04773

M.Singh et al., arXiv:1807.05451

- Thermal noise follows the fluctuation-dissipation theorem

$$\langle S^{\mu\nu}(x_1) S^{\mu\nu}(x_2) \rangle \sim 2T\eta\delta^4(x_1 - x_2) \sim 2T\eta/\Delta t\Delta x^3$$

- Depends the cut-off, requires renormalization



- Hydro-kinetic, deterministic hydro-fluctuations:

$$\left[(u + v) \cdot \bar{\nabla} + f \cdot \partial_q \right] W_+ = -\gamma_L q^2 (W_+ - W^0) + K'' W_+$$

Y.Akamatsu et al., arXiv:1606.07742

X.An et al., arXiv:1902.09517

Hydro+

- Relevant d.o.f for model H:
 - X Conserved order parameter ($\sigma + n$)->slow mode
 - ✓ Conserved transverse momentum
 - ✓ Poisson bracket between them

- Hydrodynamics equations:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T_{\text{ideal}}^{\mu\nu} + T_{\text{viscous}}^{\mu\nu}$$

- Slow mode equation

$$(u^\mu \partial_\mu) \phi(x^\mu; Q) = -\gamma(Q) [\delta s_{(+)}(\epsilon, n, \phi) / \delta \phi]$$

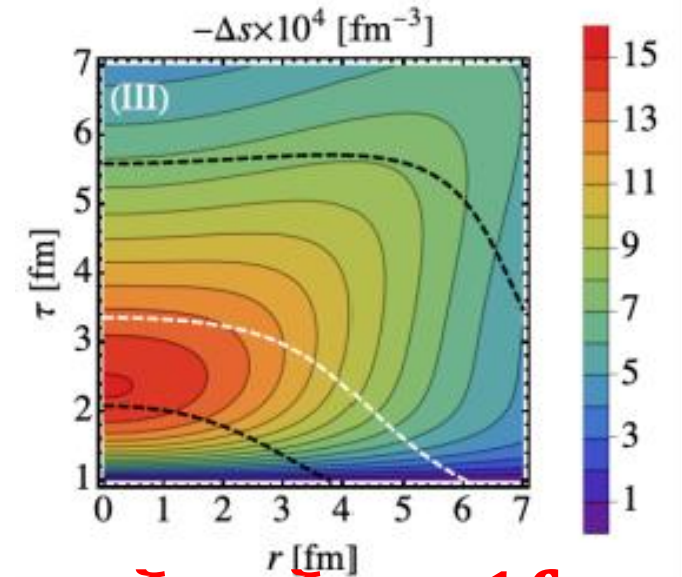
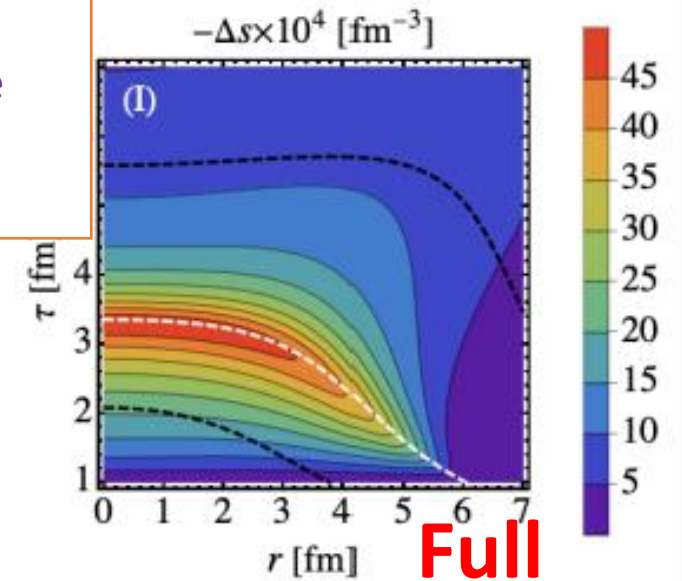
- $s_{(+)}(\epsilon, n, \phi)$ is the renormalized entropy to include the slow mode effects

- Slow mode effects: $\frac{\Delta s}{s} \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-4})$

M.Stephanov et al., arXiv:1712.10305

K.Rajagopal et al., arXiv: 1908.08539

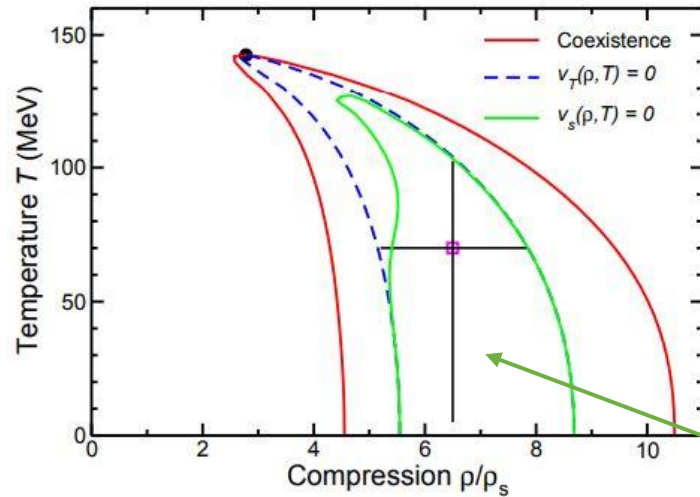
L.Du et al., arXiv:2004.02719



$$\xi = \xi_0 = 1 \text{ fm}$$

Spinodal decomposition at 1st order region

J.Randrup et al, PRC('09,'10,'13,'14),PRL('12)



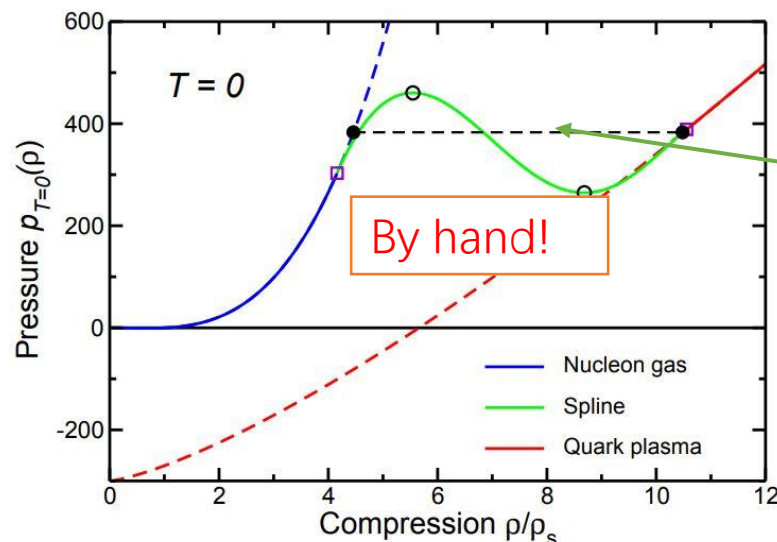
- Confined phase: ideal gas of pions
nucleons+interaction

$$p^H = p_\pi + p_N + p_{\bar{N}} + p_w$$

- Deconfined phase: ideal gas of quarks and gluon:

$$p^Q = p_g + p_q + p_{\bar{q}} - B$$

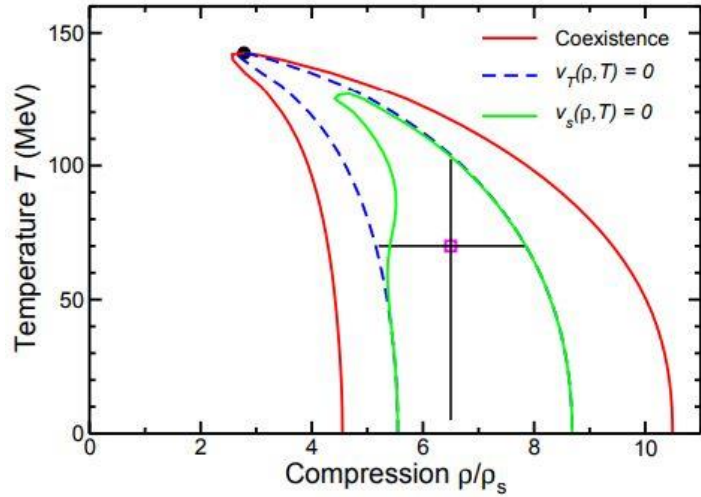
- Interpolation: spline



$c_s^2 < 0$
Unstable!

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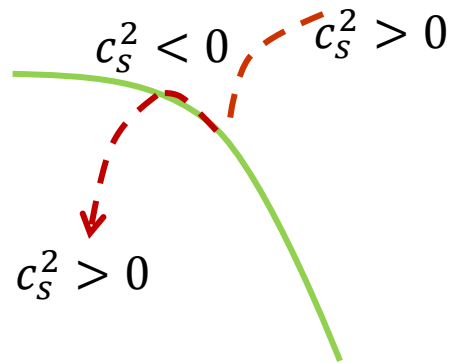
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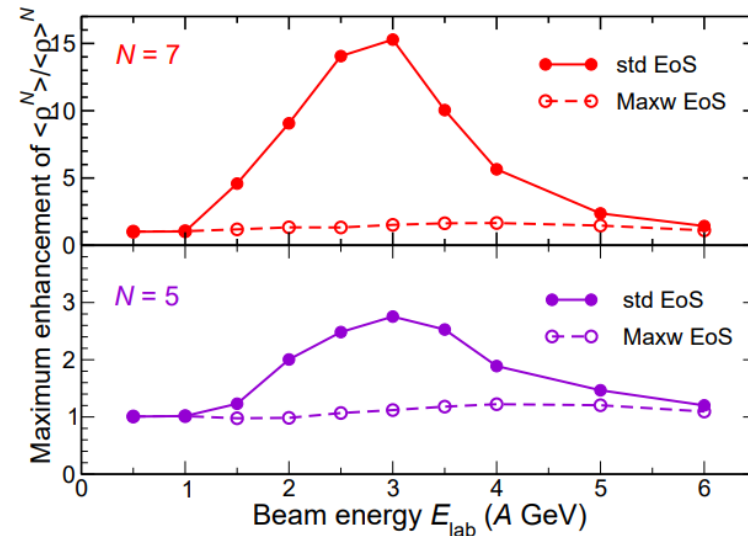
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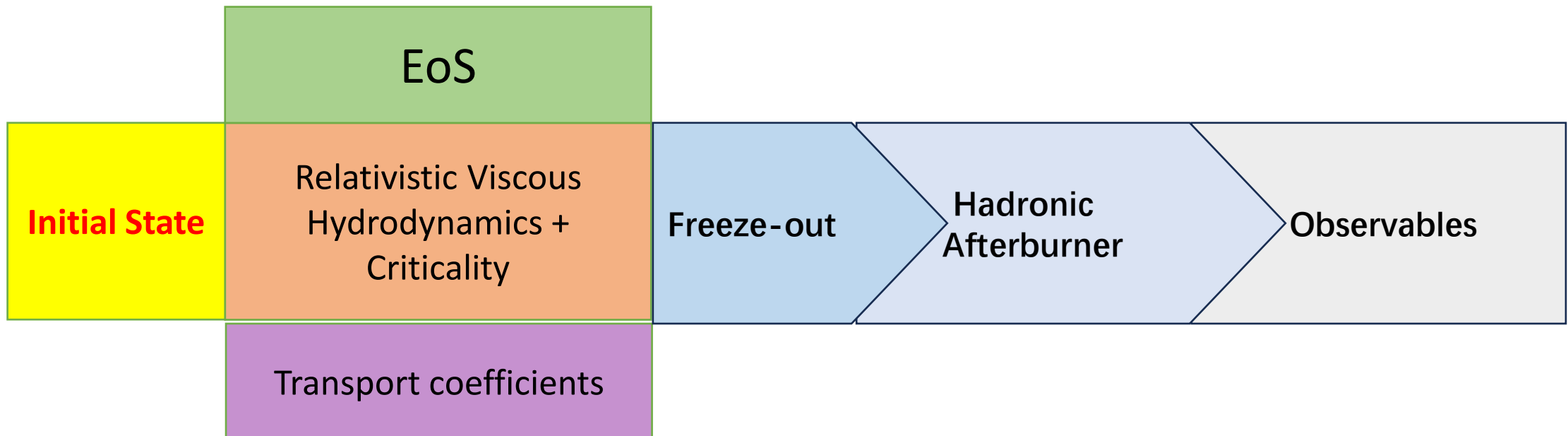


$$e = e_0 \left(\frac{\tau_0}{\tau} \right)^{1+c_s^2}$$



Initial condition

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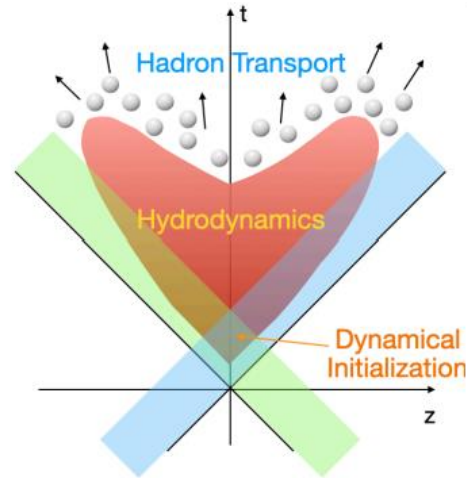
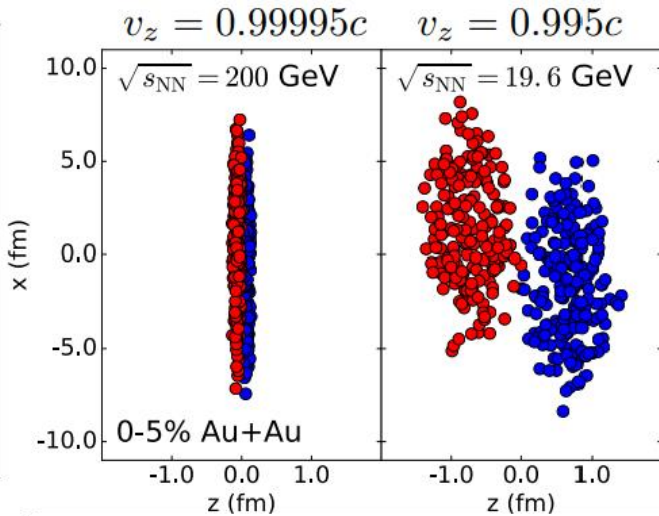
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Dynamical initial condition at lower energies

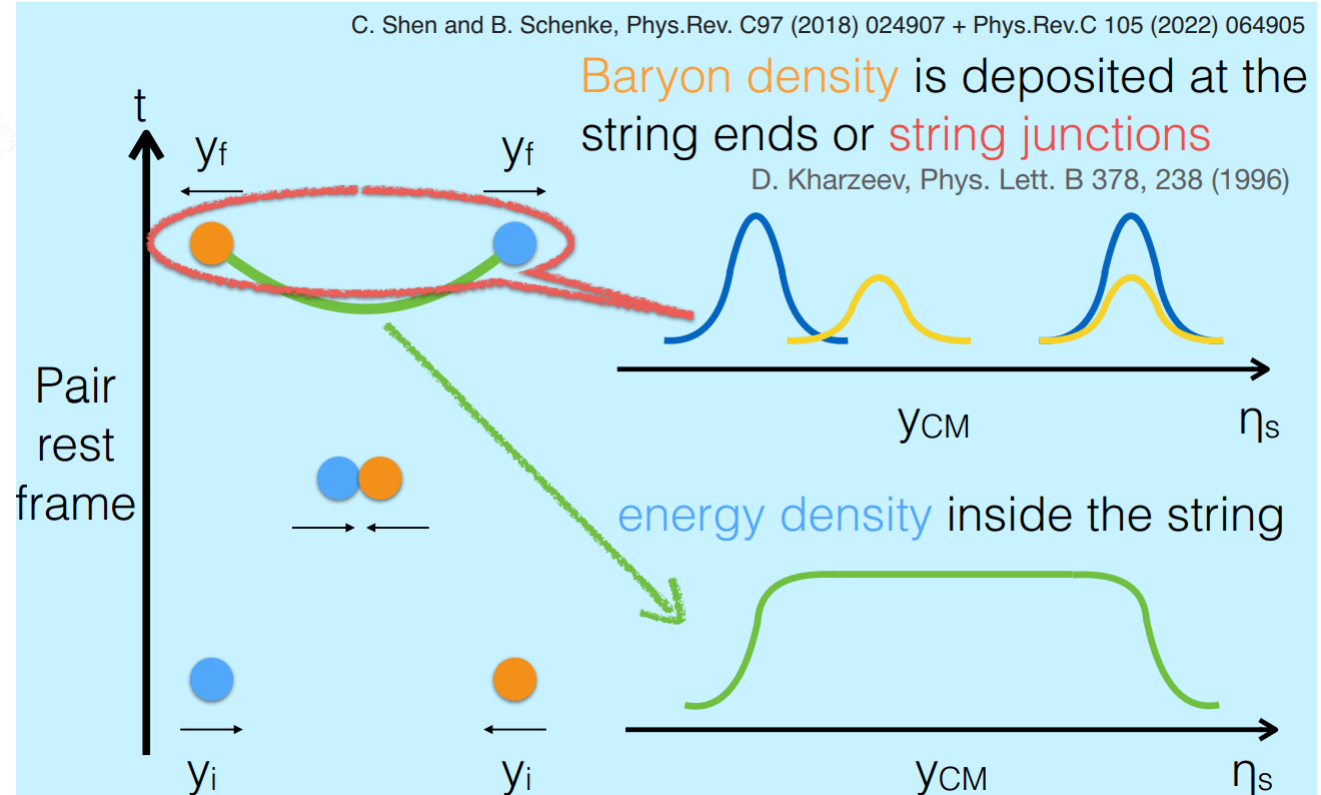
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$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = J_{source}^\nu$$

$$\partial_\mu J^\mu = \rho_{source}$$

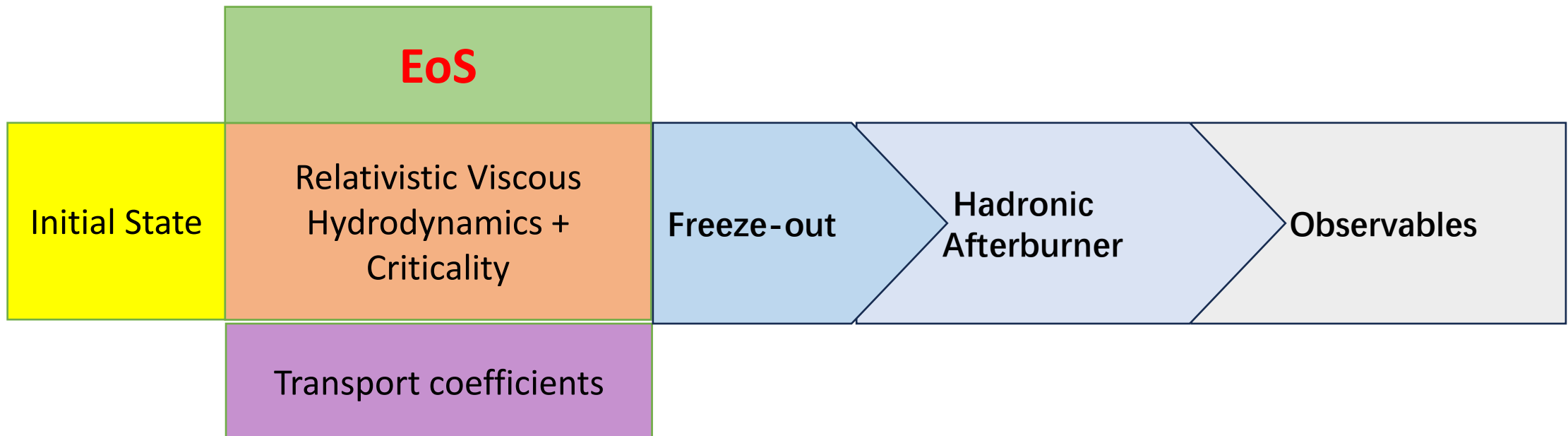


Requires initial condition for critical field



Equation of state

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Equation of state

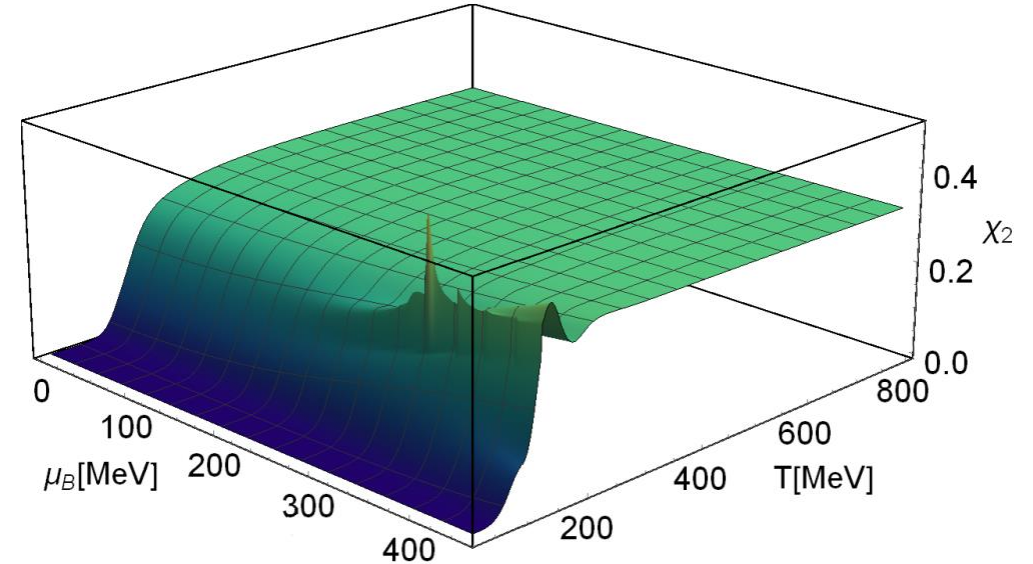
P. Parotto et al., 1805.05249

Lattice-based EoS(3-D Ising, same universality class):

$$P(T, \mu) = P_{\text{Lattice}} + P_{\text{Ising}}$$

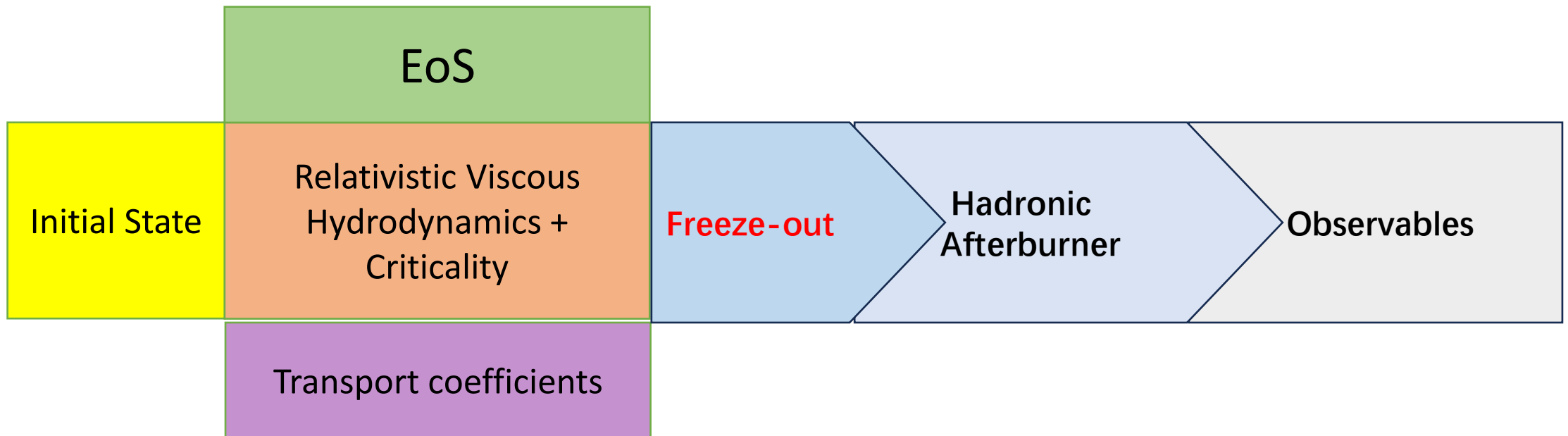
EoS also from QCD-based theories,

See Prof. Fu and Gao's talk



Freeze-out

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Freeze-out hydro+

Maneesha Pradeep QM2023

Particle masses modification due to the interaction with critical sigma field

$$\delta m_A = g_A \sigma$$

Fluctuating particle distribution function

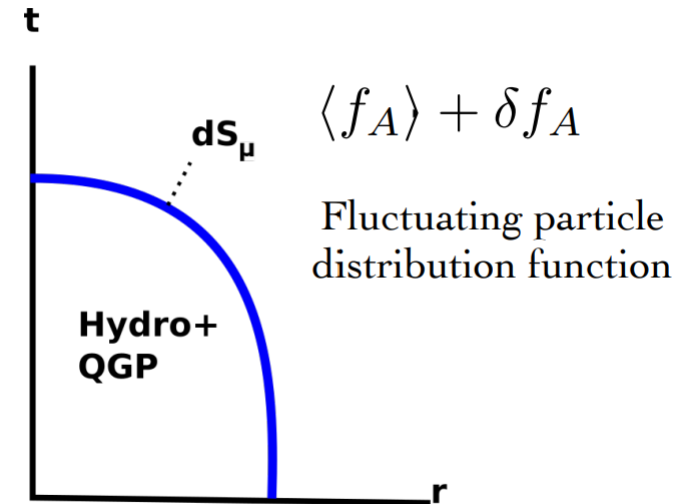
$$f_A = \langle f_A \rangle + g_A \frac{\partial \langle f_A \rangle}{\partial m_A} \sigma$$

Where the critical field:

$$\langle \sigma \rangle = 0, \langle \sigma(x_+) \sigma(x_-) \rangle \sim \text{hydro}_+ \text{ slow mode}$$

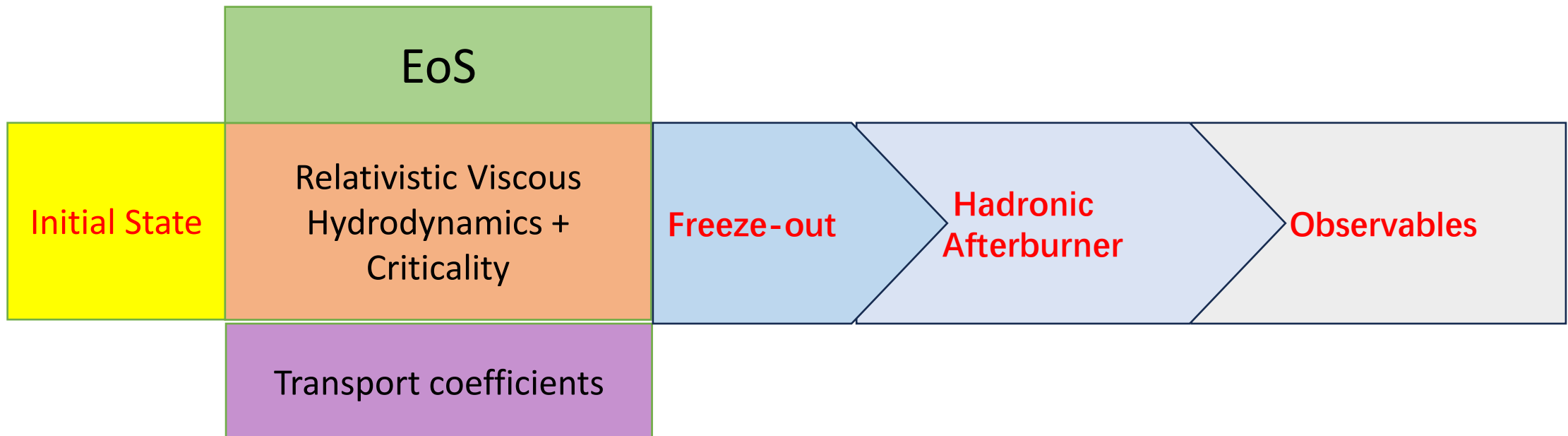
And the proton fluctuations:

$$\langle \delta N_A \delta N_B \rangle = \langle N_A \rangle \delta_{AB} + \# \int_{\Sigma} \int_{\Sigma} \langle \sigma(x_+) \sigma(x_-) \rangle$$



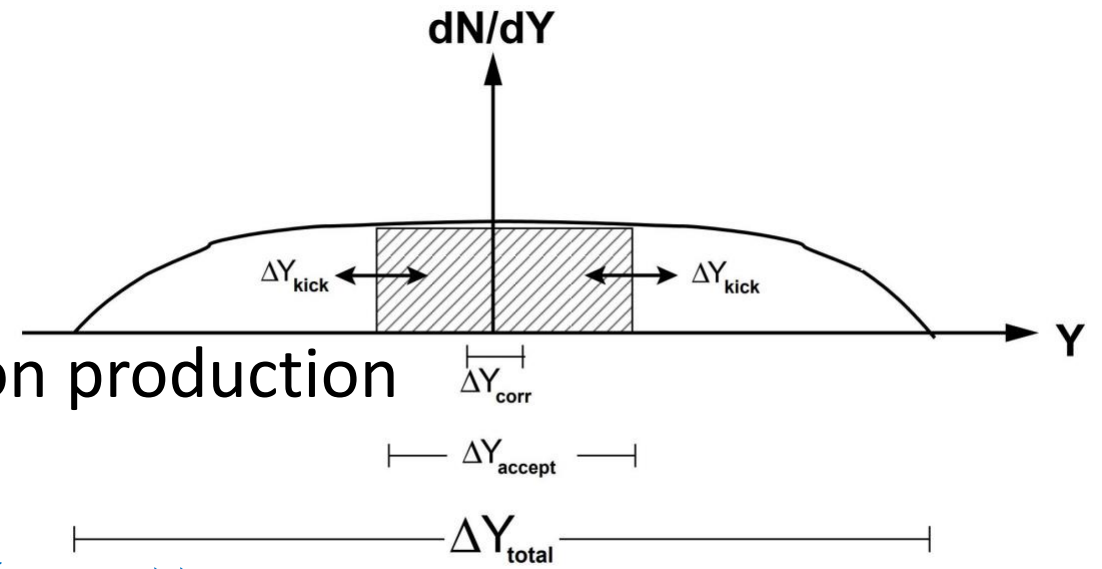
Non-critical fluctuations

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Conservation



- Poisson distribution, uncorrelated proton production

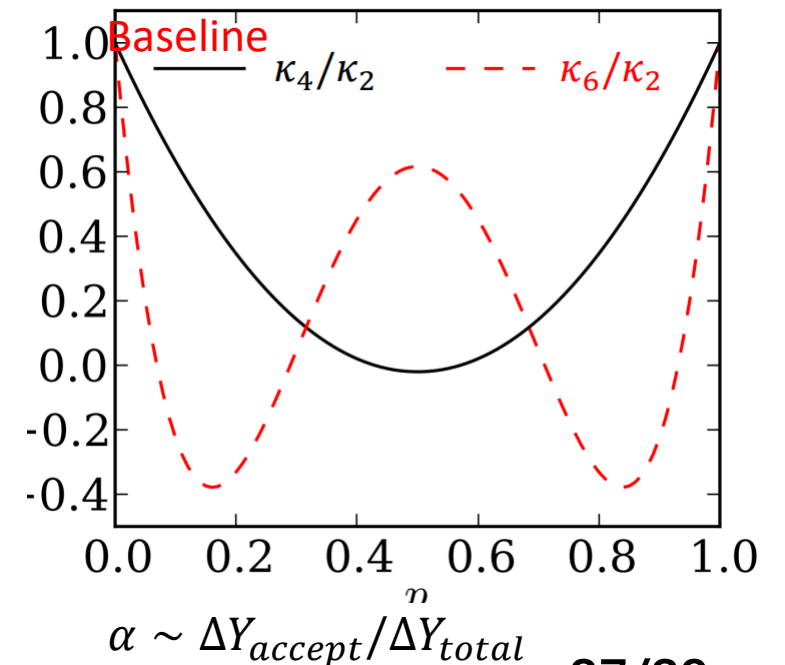
- Grand-canonical ensemble applies if $\Delta Y_{total} \gg \Delta Y_{accept}$. If $\Delta Y_{total} \gg \Delta Y_{accept}$ does not hold, corrections from conservation appear

V. Koch, 0810.2520

scaled variance $\frac{\kappa_2[B_1]}{\kappa_1[B_1]} = (1 - \alpha) \frac{\chi_2^B}{\chi_1^B},$

skewness $\frac{\kappa_3[B_1]}{\kappa_2[B_1]} = (1 - 2\alpha) \frac{\chi_3^B}{\chi_2^B},$

kurtosis $\frac{\kappa_4[B_1]}{\kappa_2[B_1]} = (1 - 3\alpha\beta) \frac{\chi_4^B}{\chi_2^B} - 3\alpha\beta \left(\frac{\chi_3^B}{\chi_2^B} \right)^2 .$



Bzdak et al., 1203.4529

V. Vovchenko et al., 2003.13905

Volume fluctuations

- Relates to the centrality selection, a source of initial fluctuations
- Overcome it by centrality bin width correction

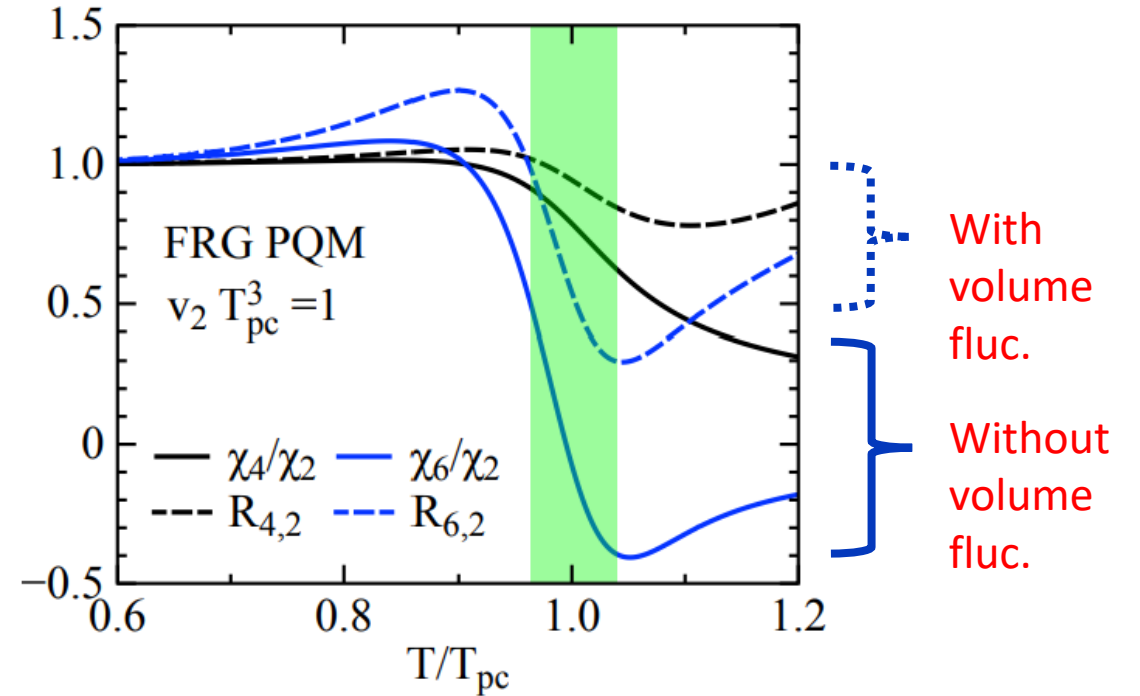
$$\sigma = \sum_r \omega_r \sigma_r, S = \sum_r \omega_r S_r, \kappa = \sum_r \omega_r \kappa_r$$

- $\omega_r = n_r / \sum_r n_r$, n_r is the number of events for r^{th} multiplicity

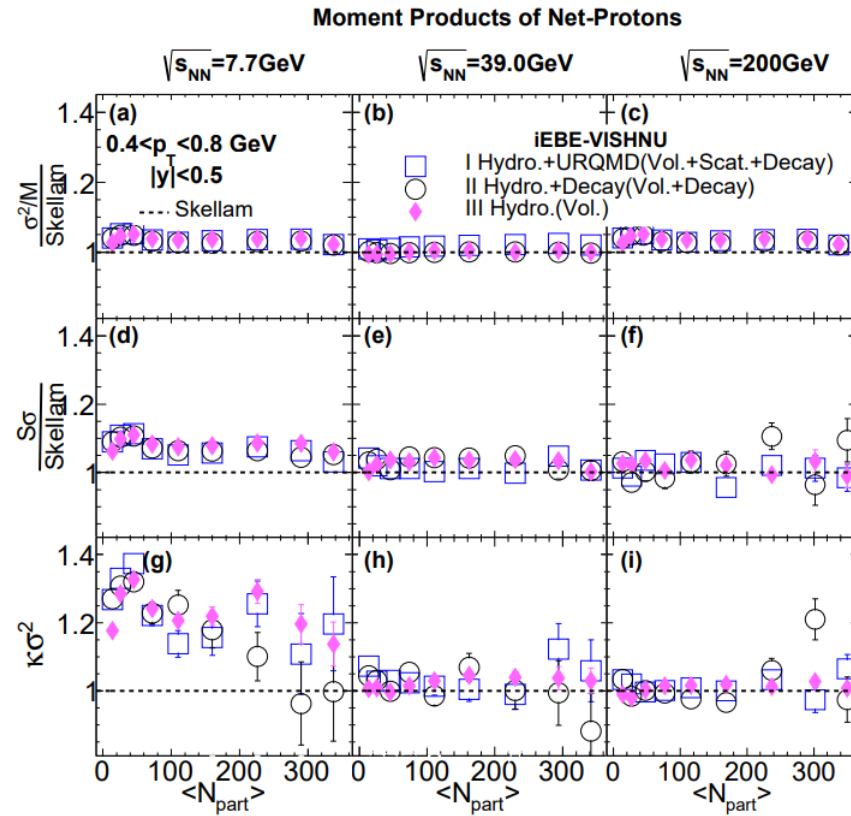
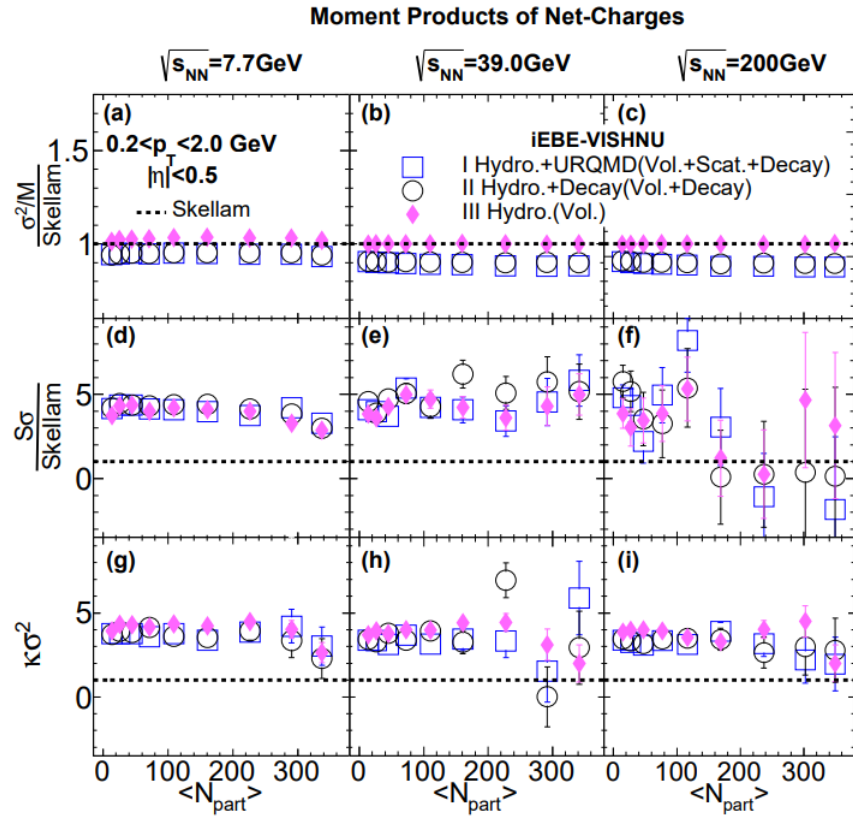
X.Luo et al., 1302.2332

V.Skokov et al., 1205.4756

M.I.Gorenstein et al., 1101.4865



Other sources of non-critical fluctuations



J.Li et al., 1707.09742

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Volume fluc. for σ

Volume fluc. for $S\sigma$

Volume fluc. For $\kappa\sigma^2$

Scatt. and decay

Net-charge

small

Large

Large

Small

Net-proton

small

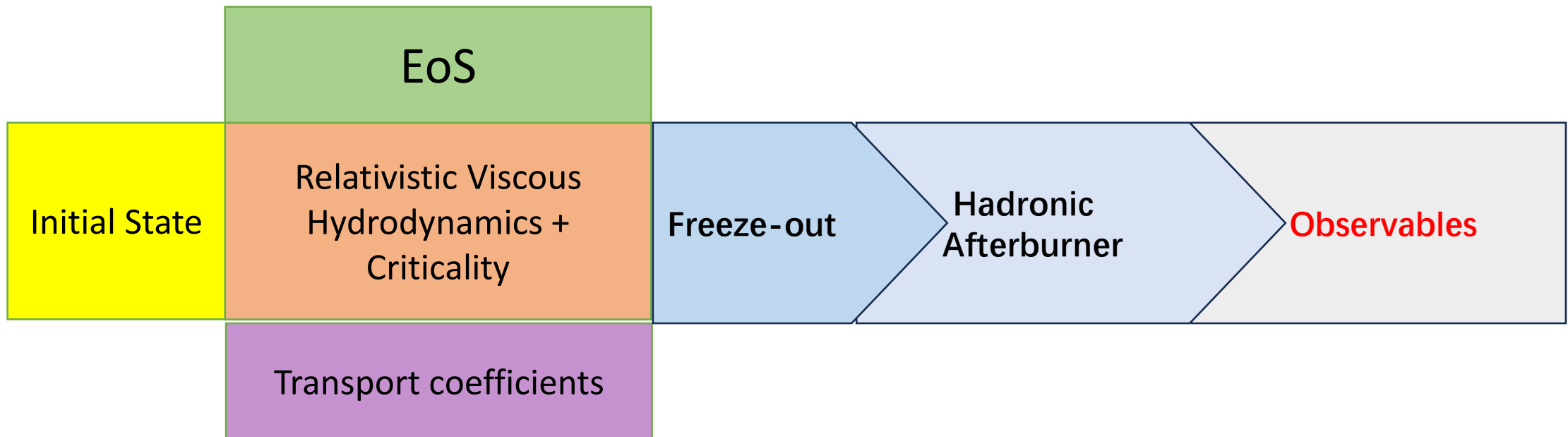
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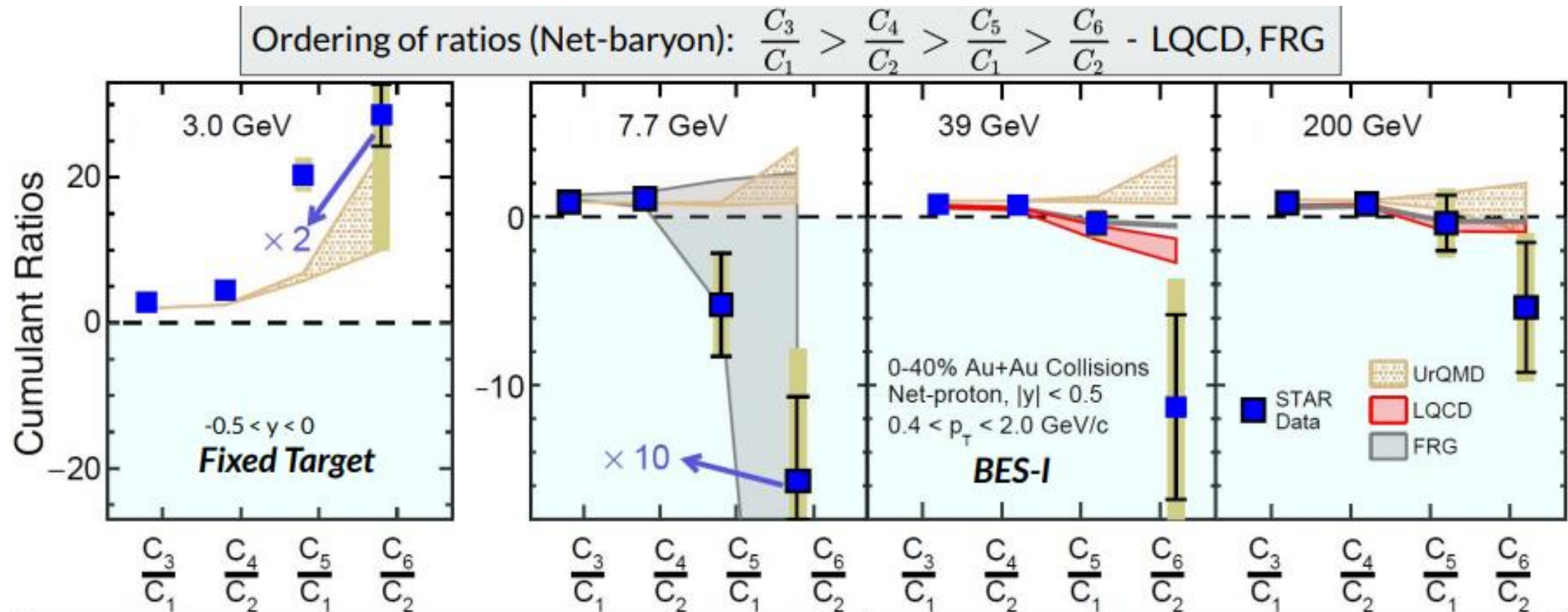
Observables

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Higher-order cumulants (C_5, C_6)

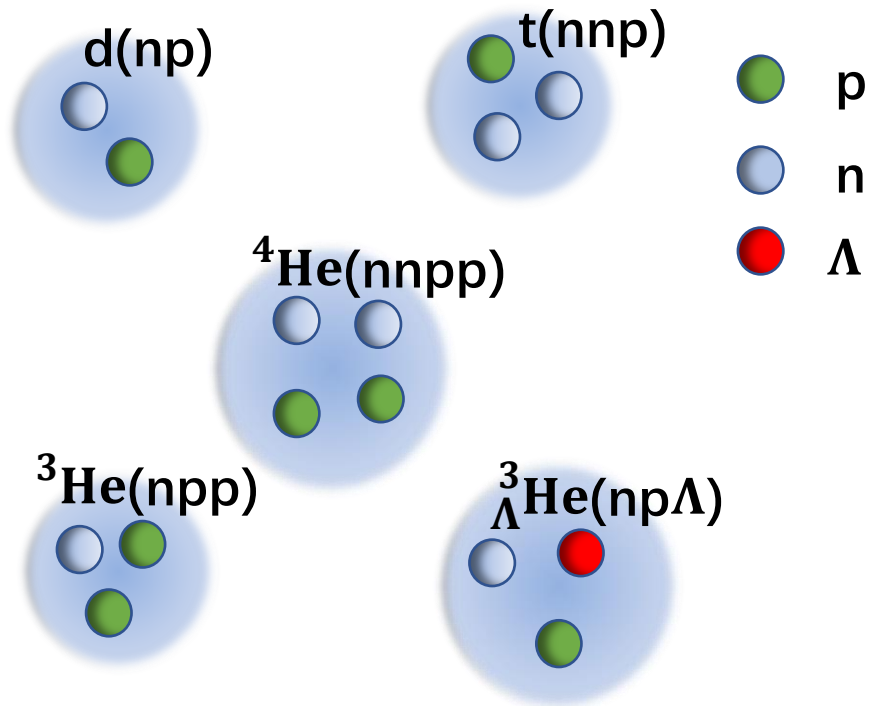


Violation of ordering found at fixed target $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 3$ GeV
 Trend reproduced by UrQMD
 Suggests hadronic matter

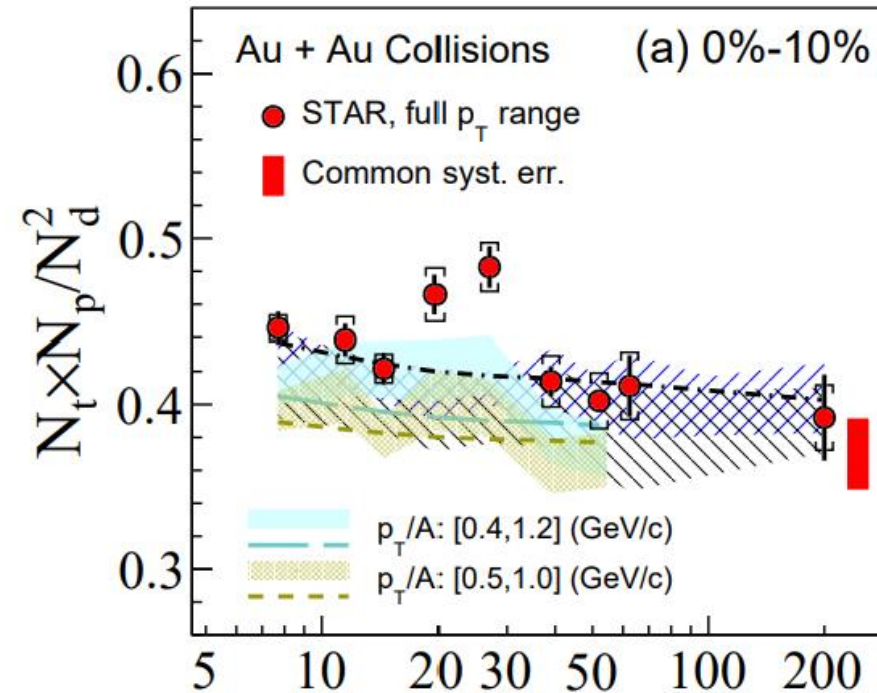
Data trends appear consistent with predicted hierarchy between $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7$ and 200 GeV

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Light Nuclei Production



STAR Collaboration, PRL 130.202301



- **Non-monotonic behavior** also been observed

K-J.Sun et al., PRC (2021) ... K-J.Sun et al., Phys. Lett. B, 781:499–504(2018)

K-J.Sun et al., Phys. Lett. B, 774:103–107(2017)

W.Zhao et al., PRC (2018), S.Wu et al., PRC(2022).....

Light-Nuclei Yield with E-by-E Fluctuations

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Single Event

- Non-trivial background distribution in a single event

$$f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = f_0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p})$$

Assumption: No(Critical) fluctuations



Event-by-Event

$$f^{(1)}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}), f^{(2)}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}), f^{(3)}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) \dots$$



$$N_A^{(1)},$$



$$N_A^{(2)},$$



$$N_A^{(3)} \dots \rightarrow \langle N_A \rangle$$

Event average

- Initial fluctuations
- Hydro fluctuations
- Fluctuations induced by hard process
- etc..

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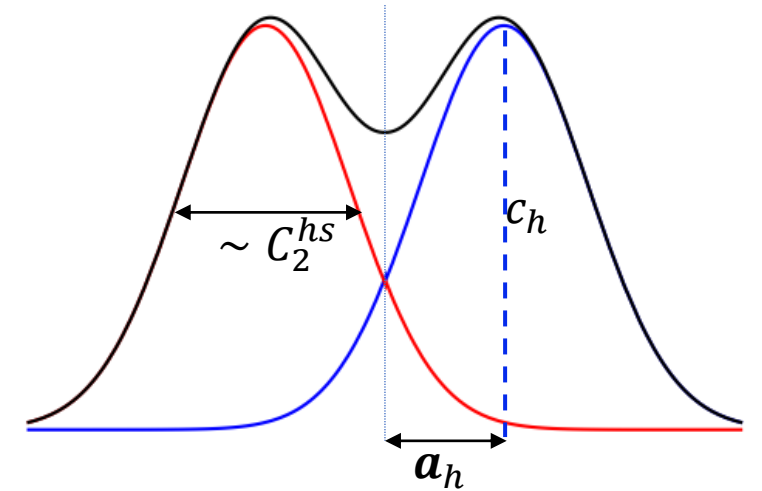
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Light Nuclei in Single Event

$$N_A^f(\{c_h, \mathbf{a}_h\}) = g_A \int \left[\prod_i^A d^6 z_i f(z_i)_{\{c_{h_i}, \mathbf{a}_{h_i}\}} \right] W_A(\{\mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^A)$$

Fluctuating Gaussian Profile

$$f(\mathbf{z})_{\{c_h, \mathbf{a}_h\}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{h=1}^n c_h \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(2\pi C_2^{hs})}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{a}_h)^T (C_2^{hs})^{-1} (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{a}_h)\right]$$



Light Nuclei in Event-Averaged

$$N_A = \int \left[\prod_{h=1}^n dc_h d^6 \mathbf{a}_h \right] \Pr(\{c_h, \mathbf{a}_h\}) N_A^f(\{c_h, \mathbf{a}_h\})$$

Distribution of Hot Spots

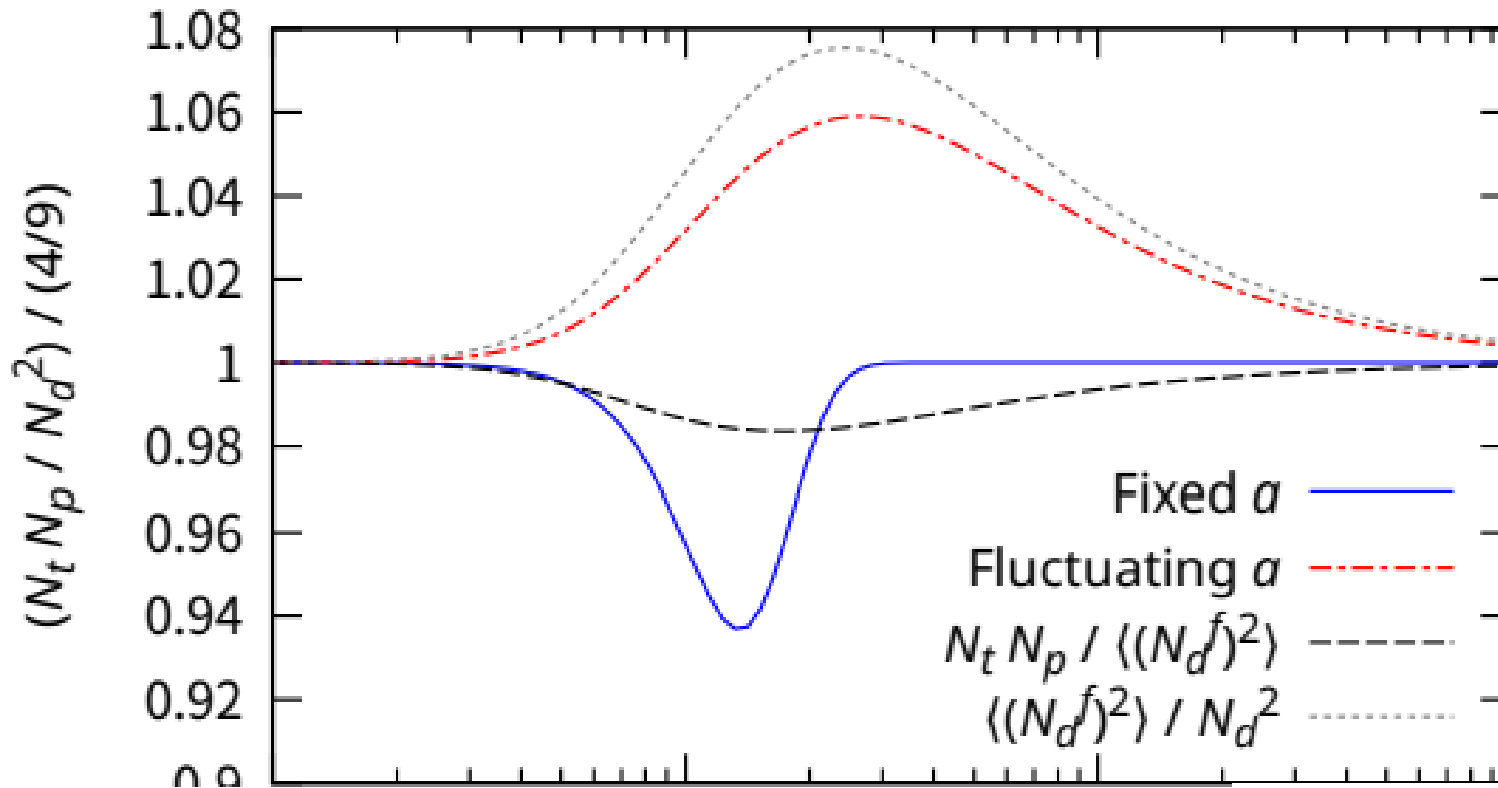
$$\Pr(\{c_h, \mathbf{a}_h\}) = \prod_{h=1}^n p(c_h) \frac{\exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a}_h^T (C_2^{hc})^{-1} \mathbf{a}_h\right]}{\sqrt{\det(2\pi C_2^{hc})}}$$

$p(c_h)$: Distribution of hot spot magnitude c_h

C_2^{hc} : Covariance of hot-spot centers

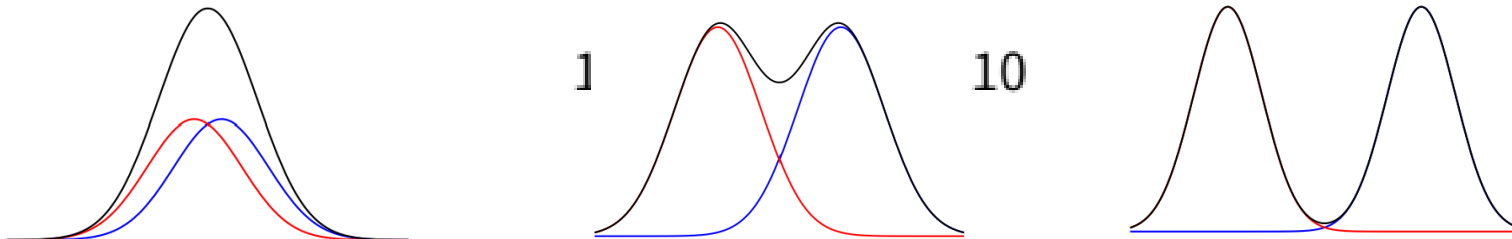
Double-Gaussian(n=2) in 1d

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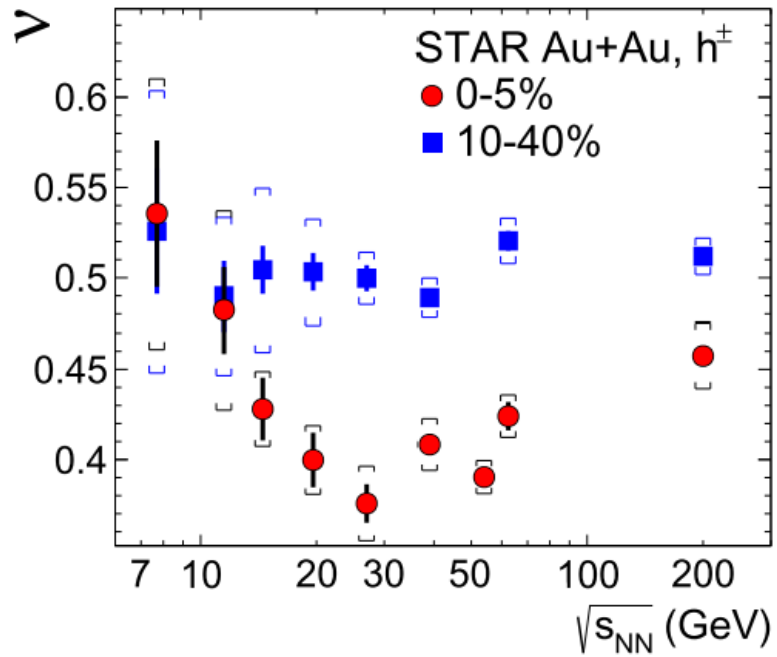
- Small $a \sim 1$ Gaussian
- Large $a \sim$ sum of Gaussian
- Intermediate $a \Rightarrow$ Non-Gaussian

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{N_t N_p}{N_d^2} &= \frac{N_t N_p}{\langle (N_d^f)^2 \rangle_f} \frac{\langle (N_d^f)^2 \rangle_f}{N_d^2} \\ &= \frac{N_t N_p}{\langle (N_d^f)^2 \rangle_f} \left[1 + \frac{\langle (N_d^f - N_d)^2 \rangle_f}{N_d^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$



Position fluctuations increase the ratio

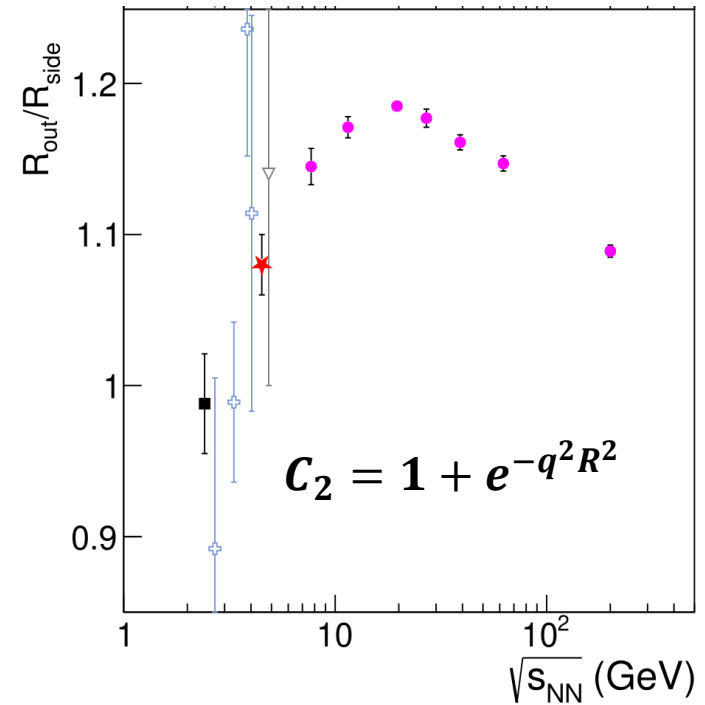
Other possible observables



- $v \sim$ strength of intermittency,
- Intermittency \sim moments

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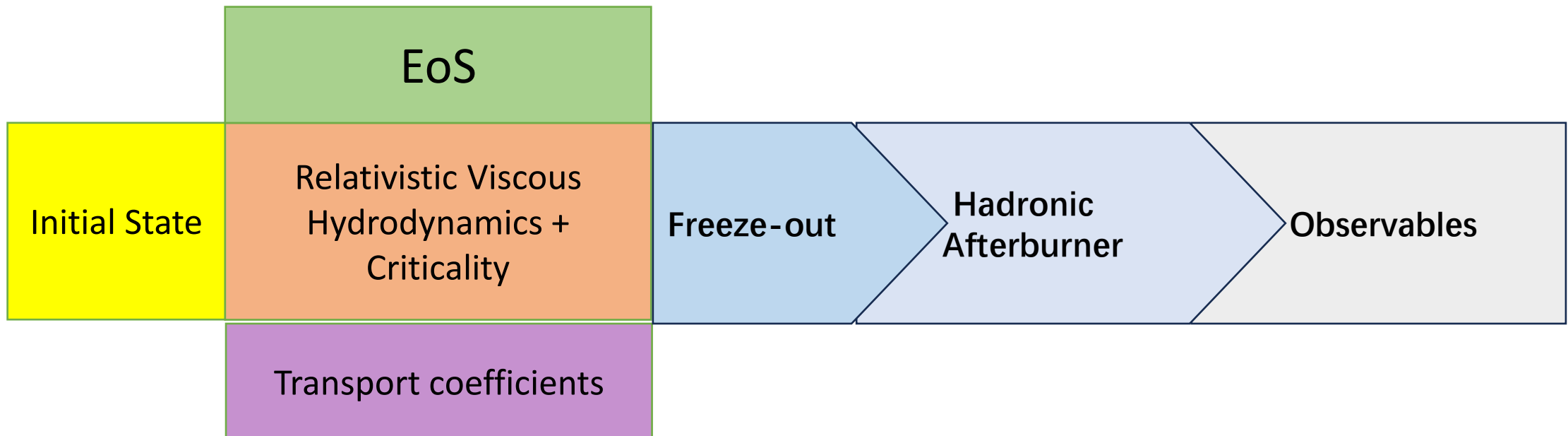
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- HBT-radius

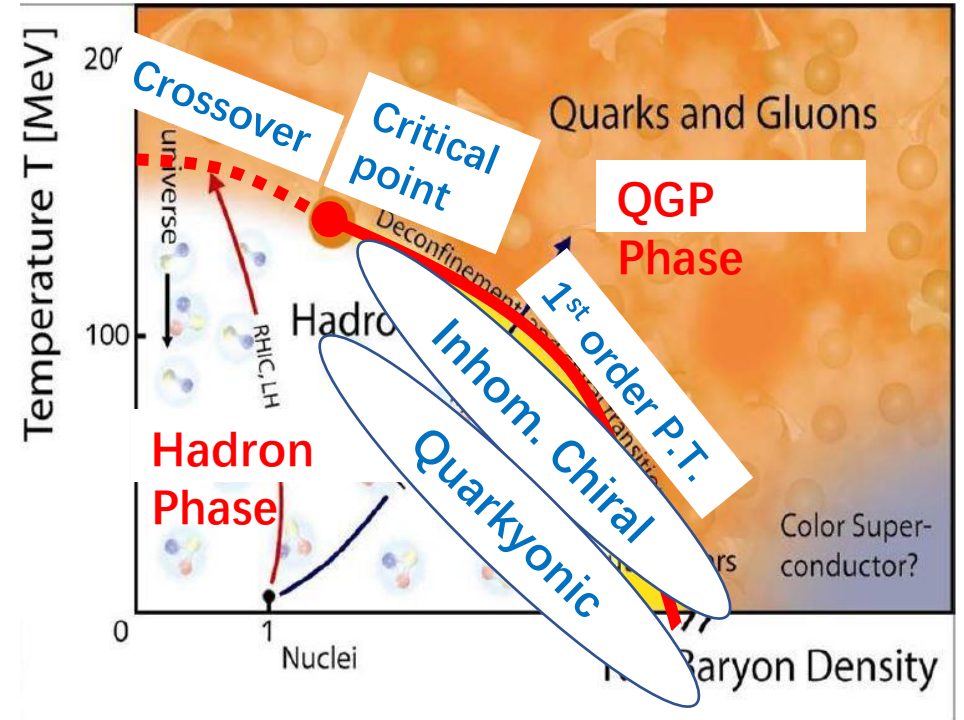
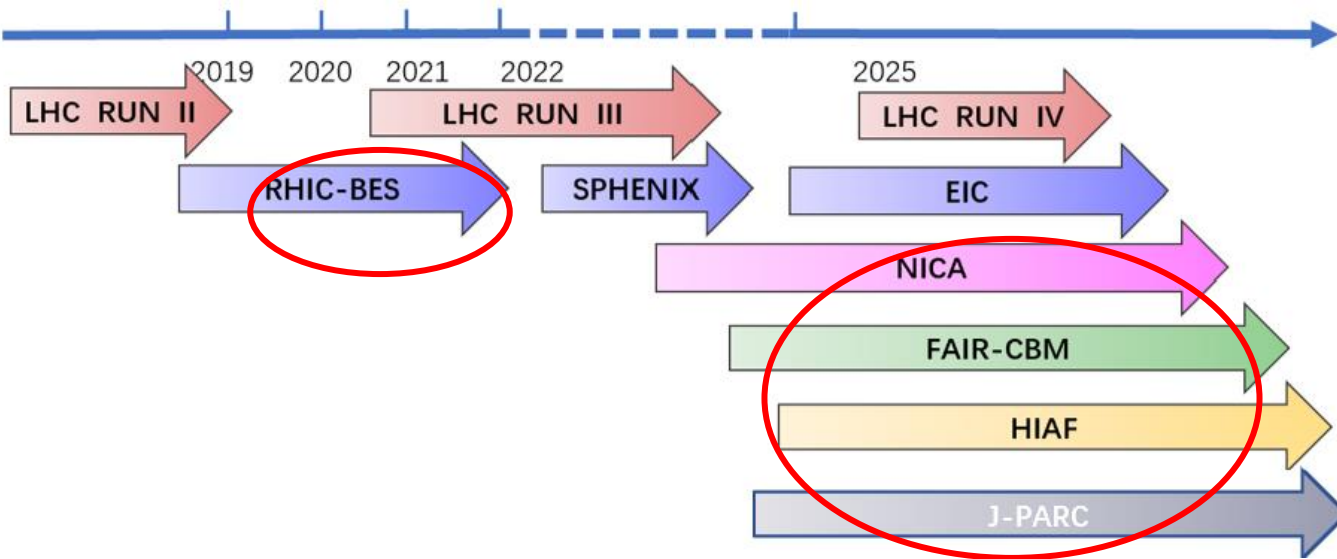
Bayesian analysis

Jacquelyn Noronha-Hostler, CPOD2022



=> Bayesian analysis

Other topics and opportunities on QCD phase diagram



Larry McLerran
Fabian Rennecke, W.J.Fu, Fukushima
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Conclusion and Outlook

- Exploring the QCD structure is one of the most important goals in Beam Energy Scan program at RHIC. Preliminary theoretical and experimental researches indicate the possible existence of QCD critical point.
- Theoretically, great efforts have been made approaching the hybrid model near the QCD critical point in heavy-ion collisions, including the studies on non-equilibrium critical fluctuations and non-critical fluctuations.
- Looking forward for the coming higher statistic data from BES-II and more exciting theoretical progress.

Thank You!