

Threebody reactions in AA collisions

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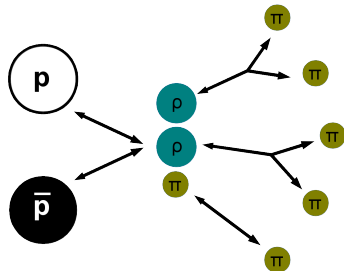
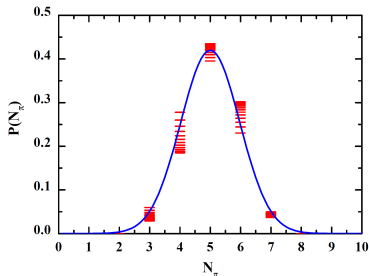
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Motivation

- In heavy-ion collisions the antibaryons formed inside baryonic matter annihilate depending on the energy to a couple of mesons and/or another baryon-antibaryon pair
- A possible description of such a reaction is the rearrangement of the quark content to 3 mesons (0^- , 1^- , ...) \rightarrow decay to many pions and kaons in vacuum



[W. Cassing, NPA700(2002)618]

- $\langle N_\pi \rangle = 5$ realized through initial $\rho\rho\pi$ - with each ρ meson decaying to 2 pions
- For a physically correct description the backward reactions have to be implemented in transport
- Impact of these many-body reactions in heavy-ion collisions has to be checked
- Relative importance for different energy regions from FAIR/NICA to RHIC and LHC energies has to be investigated

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Theory for multi-particle interactions

- Covariant on-shell reaction rate inside a volume element dV and time interval dt for general particle number changing process

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$$\frac{dN_{\text{coll}}[n \rightarrow m]}{dt dV} = \sum_{\nu} \sum_{\lambda} \int \prod_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{d^3 p_j}{(2\pi)^3 2E_j} \right) \prod_{k=1}^m \left(\frac{d^3 p_k}{(2\pi)^3 2E_k} \right) \\ \times W_{n,m}(p_j; \nu | p_k; \lambda) (2\pi)^4 \delta^4 \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j^{\mu} - \sum_{k=1}^m p_k^{\mu} \right) \prod_{j=1}^n (f_j(x, p_j)) \prod_{k=1}^m (\tilde{f}_k(x, p_k))$$

$W_{n,m}$ = Transition matrix element squared

f = phase-space distribution function

$\tilde{f} = 1 \pm f$ accounting for quantum statistics

- m -body phase-space, incorporates dynamics of the system in case of constant transition matrix element

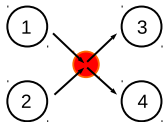
$$R_m(P^{\mu}; M_1, \dots, M_m) = \left(\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \right)^m \int \prod_{k=1}^m \frac{d^3 p_k}{2E_k} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4 \left(P^{\mu} - \sum_{j=1}^m p_j^{\mu} \right)$$

- Relation for a $2 \rightarrow m$ reaction to the cross section for a pair with quantum numbers i, j

$$\sum_m \sum_{\lambda_m} W_{2,m}(P^{\mu} = p_1^{\mu} + p_2^{\mu}; i, j; \lambda_m) R_m(P^{\mu}; M_3, \dots, M_{m+1}) = 4E_1 E_2 v_{\text{rel}} \sigma_{i,j}(\sqrt{s})$$

[E. Byckling, K. Kajantie, *Particle Kinematics*]

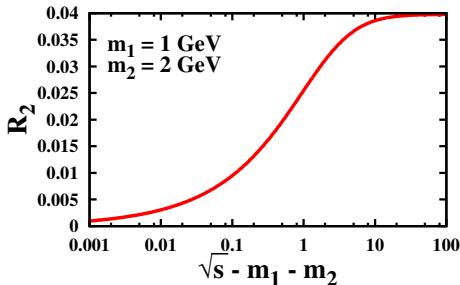
Covariant transition rate for 2→2



$$\frac{dN_{\text{coll}}[2 \rightarrow 2]}{dt dV} = \frac{1}{16(2\pi)^{12}} \sum_{i,j} \sum_{k,l} \int \left(\frac{d^3 p_1 d^3 p_2 d^3 p_3 d^3 p_4}{E_1 E_2 E_3 E_4} \right) \\ \times W_{2,2}(p_1, p_2; i, j | p_3, p_3; j, k) (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1^\mu + p_2^\mu - p_3^\mu - p_4^\mu) \\ \times f_1(x_1, p_1) f_2(x_2, p_2) \tilde{f}_3(x_3, p_3) \tilde{f}_4(x_4, p_4)$$

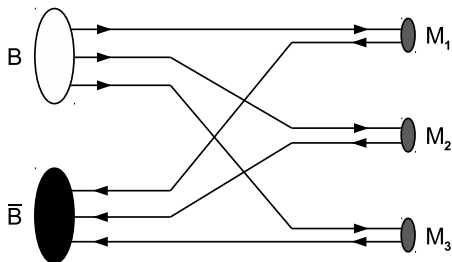
- two-body phase space can be solved analytically

$$R_2(\sqrt{s}; M_1, M_2) = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda(s, m_1^2, m_2^2)}}{8\pi s} \\ \lambda(a, b, c) = (a - b - c)^2 - 4bc$$



Quark Rearrangement Model

- B, \bar{B} : baryons and antibaryons from the baryon octet and decuplet plus $N(1440)$ and $N(1535)$
- M_1, M_2, M_3 : arbitrary mesons under conservation of the total quantum numbers (here 0^- and 1^- nonets)



- Reshuffle quark content from the baryon + antibaryon pair into 3 mesons or backwards
- Conserve quantum numbers in any combination of channels

Transition probability

- $B\bar{B} \rightarrow 3$ mesons

$$\frac{dN_{\text{coll}}[B\bar{B} \rightarrow 3 \text{ mesons}]}{dtdV} =$$

$$\sum_c \sum_{c'} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^6} \int \frac{d^3 p_1}{2E_1} \frac{d^3 p_2}{2E_2} W_{2,3}(\sqrt{s}; c' = (M_1, M_2; i, j), c = (M_3, M_4, M_5; k, l, m))$$

$$\times R_3(p_1^\mu + p_2^\mu; c) N_{\text{fin}}^c f_i(x, p_1) f_j(x, p_2)$$

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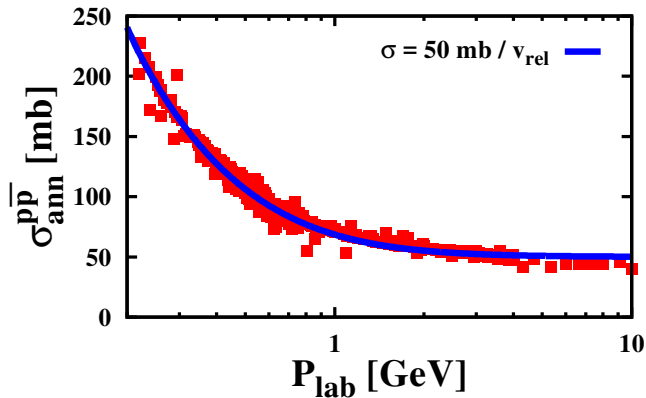
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$p\bar{p}$ annihilation cross section

- Good fit with $\sigma_{p\bar{p}} = 50 \text{ mb} / v_{\text{rel}}$
- Consistent with constant matrix element ($\sigma_{p\bar{p}} v_{\text{rel}} = \text{const.}$)

[<http://pdg.lbl.gov/2015/hadronic-xsections/>]

Tests of n-particle detailed balance

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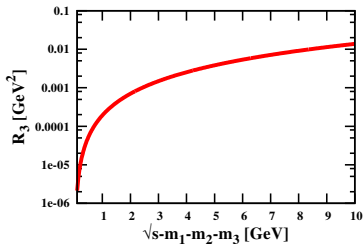
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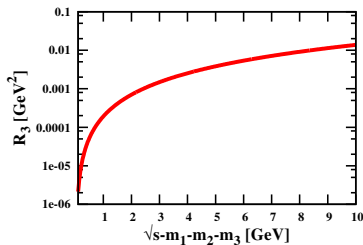
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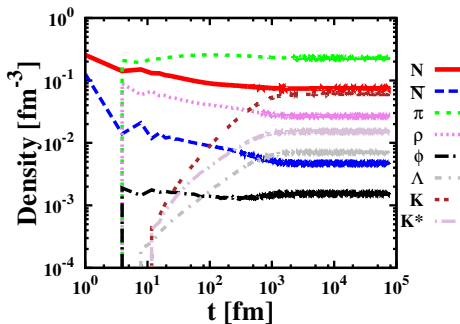
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Actual calculation:

- Divide space-time into 4-dimensional cells: $\Delta x, \Delta y, \Delta z, \Delta t$
- Particles inside the same cell may interact with each other
- Calculate transition probabilities and select via Monte Carlo the partners and final states

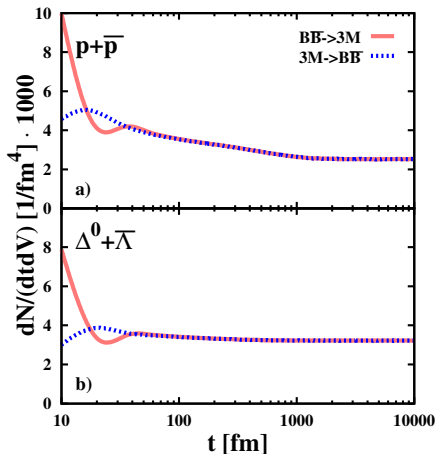
Test of n-particle detailed balance

- Box simulations with volumes around $V = 18000 \text{ fm}^3$
- Periodic boundary condition
- Initialization with only one type of baryon and antibaryon:
 $N, \Delta(1232), N(1440), N(1535), \Lambda, \Sigma, \Sigma^*, \Xi, \Xi^*, \Omega$
- Energy density $\epsilon = 0.4 \text{ GeV fm}^{-3}$, with 10% being kinetic energy
- Ratio baryon/antibaryon set to 2:1 \rightarrow baryon density ρ_B lies around 0.2 fm^{-3}
- Boltzmann-like initial momentum distribution
- No decays of resonances and no elastic scattering; only $B\bar{B} \leftrightarrow 3M$



Total Reaction Rates

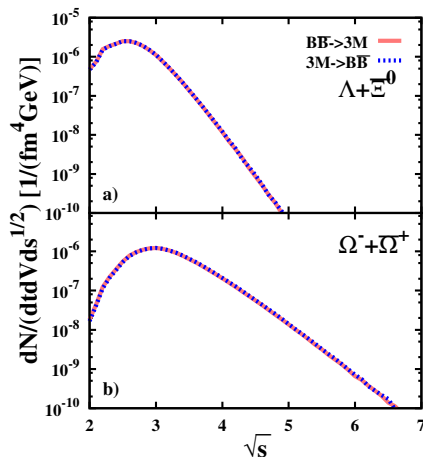
Total reaction rates as a function of time t in forward and backward-direction



- Detailed balance is fulfilled after ≈ 100 fm/c
- Equilibrium is reached the latest after 2000 fm/c

Total Reaction Rates

Total reaction rates as a function of invariant mass \sqrt{s} in forward and backward direction



\Rightarrow Detailed balance is fulfilled also differentially for the total system in equilibrium

Deviation from Detailed Balance

Deviation from Detailed Balance on a channel by channel basis

$$\delta = \left| \frac{\frac{dN}{dt}(B\bar{B} \rightarrow 3M)}{\frac{dN}{dt}(3M \rightarrow B\bar{B})} - 1 \right|$$

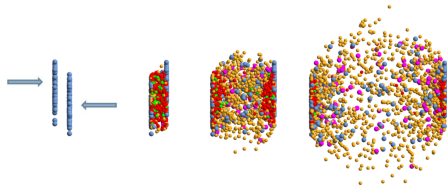
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	channel	δ [%]	channel	δ [%]	channel	δ [%]	
1	$N\bar{N} \leftrightarrow \pi\pi\rho$	0.17	$N\bar{\Xi} \leftrightarrow \pi KK^*$	1.45	$N\bar{N} \leftrightarrow \pi\pi\rho$	0.13	1.24
2	$N\bar{N} \leftrightarrow \pi\rho\rho$	3.06	$N\bar{\Omega} \leftrightarrow KK^*K^*$	3.59	$N\bar{\Delta} \leftrightarrow \pi\rho\rho$	1.70	1.82
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10	$N\bar{\Sigma} \leftrightarrow \pi K^*\rho$	0.96	$N\bar{\Omega} \leftrightarrow KKK$	0.35	$N\bar{\Sigma} \leftrightarrow \pi K\rho$	0.35	2.11

Ranked by interaction rate and averaged over 100 system combinations

⇒ Detailed balance is fulfilled on a channel by channel basis in equilibrium better than 98%

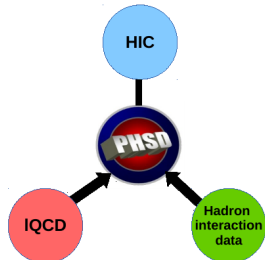
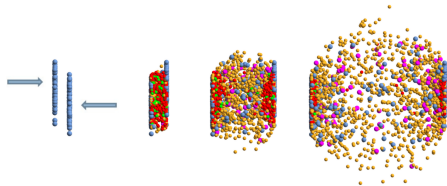
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- Model applicable out-of equilibrium and in agreement with the lattice results in equilibrium as well as with the nuclear physics input.
- Transport theory: off-shell transport equations in phase-space representation based on Kadanoff-Baym equations for the partonic and hadronic phase.

W.Cassing, E.Bratkovskaya, PRC 78 (2008) 034919; NPA831 (2009) 215; W.Cassing, EPJ ST 168 (2009) 3.

Solve generalized transport equations with extended test-particle ansatz

$$F_{XP} = iG^<(X, P) \sim \sum_{i=1}^N \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}_i(t)) \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{P}_i(t)) \delta(P_0 - \epsilon_i(t))$$

The equations of motion extracted from Kadanoff-Baym equations in first order gradient expansion in phase space read:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathbf{X}_i}{dt} &= \frac{1}{2\epsilon_i} \left[2\mathbf{P}_i + \nabla_{P_i} \text{Re}\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret} + \frac{\epsilon_i^2 - \mathbf{P}_i^2 - M_0^2 - \text{Re}\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{\Gamma_{(i)}} \nabla_{P_i} \Gamma_{(i)} \right] \\ \frac{d\mathbf{P}_i}{dt} &= -\frac{1}{2\epsilon_i} \left[\nabla_{X_i} \text{Re}\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret} + \frac{\epsilon_i^2 - \mathbf{P}_i^2 - M_0^2 - \text{Re}\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{\Gamma_{(i)}} \nabla_{X_i} \Gamma_{(i)} \right] \\ \frac{d\epsilon_i}{dt} &= \frac{1}{2\epsilon_i} \left[\frac{\partial \text{Re}\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{\partial t} + \frac{\epsilon_i^2 - \mathbf{P}_i^2 - M_0^2 - \text{Re}\Sigma_{(i)}^{ret}}{\Gamma_{(i)}} \frac{\partial \Gamma_{(i)}}{\partial t} \right] \end{aligned}$$

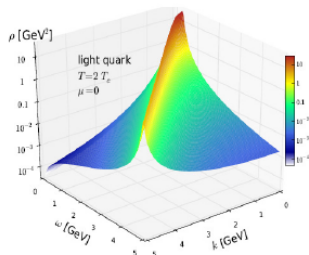
Σ^{ret} : retarded self-energy

$\Gamma = \text{Im}\Sigma^{ret}/2\epsilon$: effective width

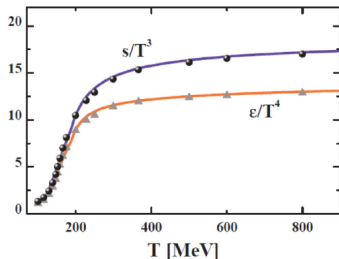
Dynamical Quasi-Particle Model (DQPM)

The QGP phase is described in terms of interacting quasi-particles with Lorentzian spectral functions:

$$\rho_i(\omega, T) = \frac{4\omega\Gamma_i(T)}{(\omega^2 - \mathbf{p}^2 - M_i^2(T))^2 + 4\omega^2\Gamma_i^2(T)}, \quad (i = q, \bar{q}, g).$$

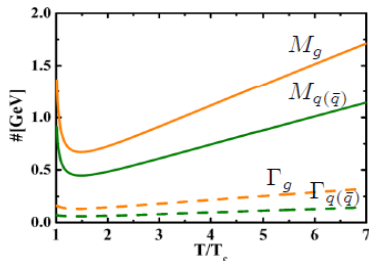


Properties of quasi-particles are fitted to the lattice QCD results:



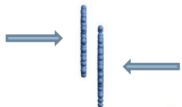
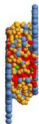
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Masses and widths of partons depend on the temperature T and chemical potential μ_q of the medium:

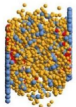


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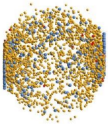
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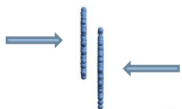


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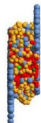


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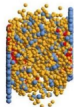
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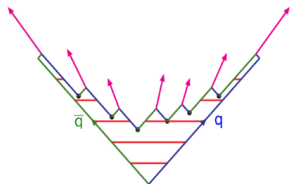
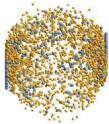
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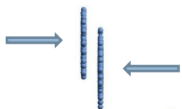
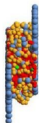


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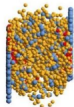


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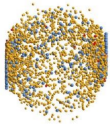
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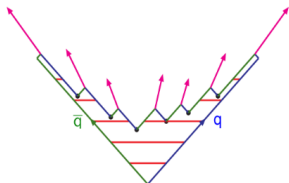
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- Formation of a **QGP state** if the energy density $\epsilon > \epsilon_C \approx 0.5 \text{ GeV fm}^{-3}$.
- Dissolution of newly produced secondary hadrons into **massive colored quarks/antiquarks** and **mean-field energy** U_q :

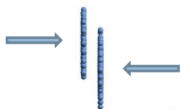
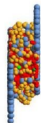


- **DQPM** defines the properties (masses and widths) of partons and mean-field potential at a given local energy density ϵ :

$$m_q(\epsilon) \quad \Gamma_q(\epsilon) \quad U_q(\epsilon).$$

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- Propagation of partons, considered as dynamical quasi-particles, in the self-generated mean-field potential from the DQPM.
- EoS of partonic phase: crossover from Lattice QCD fitted by DQPM.
- (Quasi-)elastic collisions:

$$q + q \Rightarrow q + q$$

$$g + q \Rightarrow g + q$$

$$q + \bar{q} \Rightarrow q + \bar{q}$$

$$g + \bar{q} \Rightarrow g + \bar{q}$$

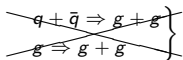
$$\bar{q} + \bar{q} \Rightarrow \bar{q} + \bar{q}$$

$$g + g \Rightarrow g + g$$

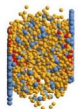
- Inelastic collisions:

$$q + \bar{q} \Rightarrow g$$

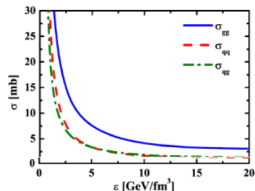
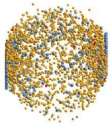
$$g \Rightarrow q + \bar{q}$$



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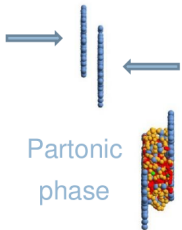
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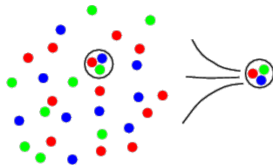
Suppressed due to the large gluon mass.

Stages of a heavy-ion collision in PHSD

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- Massive and off-shell (anti-)quarks hadronize to colorless off-shell mesons and baryons:



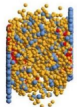
$$g \Rightarrow q + \bar{q}$$

$$q + \bar{q} \Rightarrow \text{meson ('string')}$$

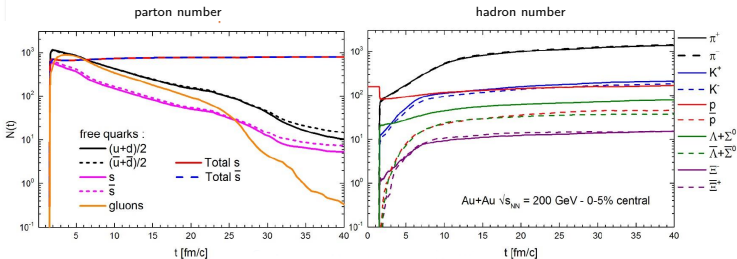
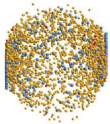
$$q + q + q \Rightarrow \text{baryon ('string')}$$

- Local covariant off-shell transition rate.
- Strict 4-momentum and quantum number conservation.

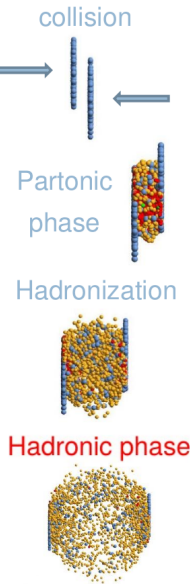
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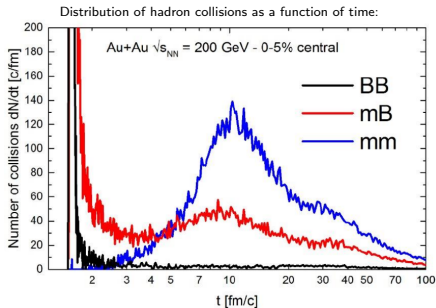
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Stages of a heavy-ion collision in PHSD



- Hadron-string interactions — **off-shell HSD (Hadron String Dynamics)**.
- Elastic and inelastic collisions between baryons (B), mesons (m).

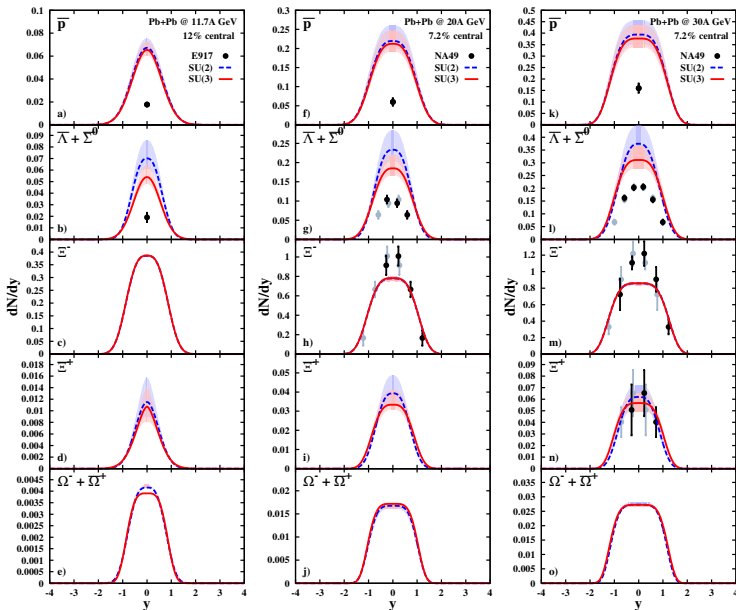


- Large amount of mm and mB collisions at times > 10 fm/c

PHSD simulations with extended many-body reactions

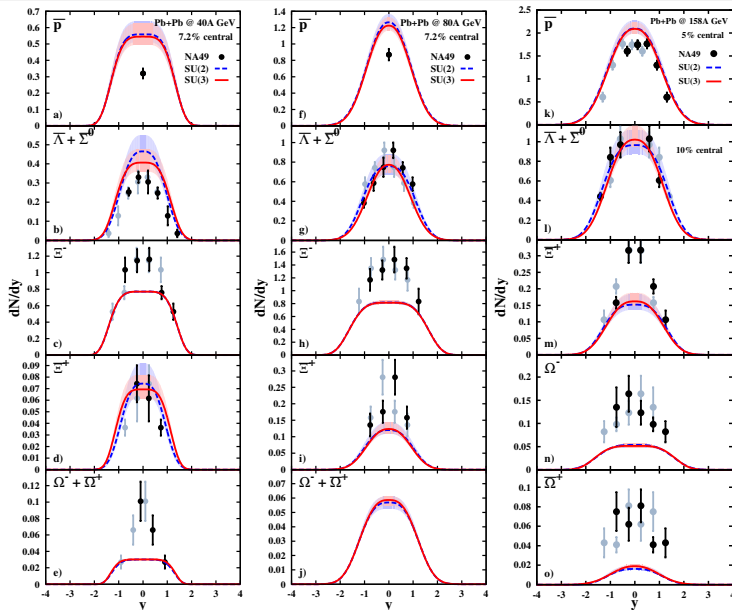
- The introduced many-body reactions have been implemented in PHSD in the light sector
- Now also the strangeness sector is implemented
- Check for sensitive observables in heavy-ion collisions
- Scan complete energy range from AGS to LHC ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2 - 2760$ GeV)

AGS to SPS



- No visible change in baryons and mesons
- Strangeness sector has weak influence on \bar{p}
- Pushes PHSD results closer to experiment

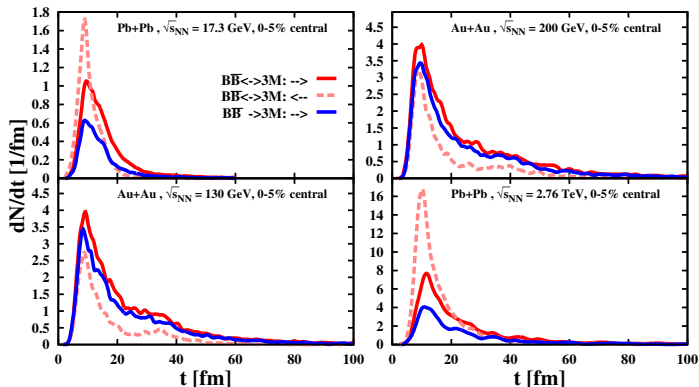
AGS to SPS



- With rising energy up to 158A GeV the sensitivity to the strangeness sector diminishes

Reaction rates

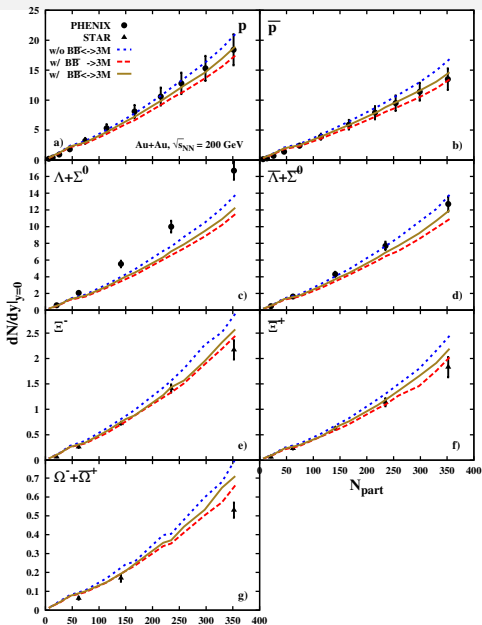
- Simulations with energies above $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 20.4$ GeV do not use $B\bar{B} \leftrightarrow 3M$ reactions in standard PHSD



Looking at the total $B\bar{B} \leftrightarrow 3M$ reaction rates we find:

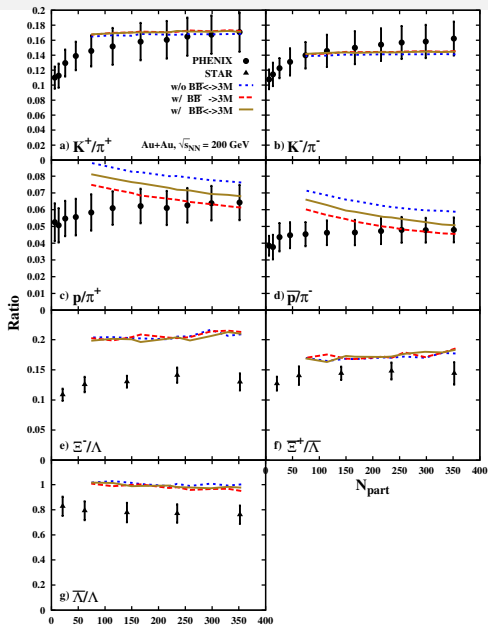
- Below 130 GeV almost balance of annihilation and reproduction
- At RHIC energies net annihilation
- For energies higher than RHIC net reproduction
- Annihilation rates without reproduction are always below the full dynamics

RHIC

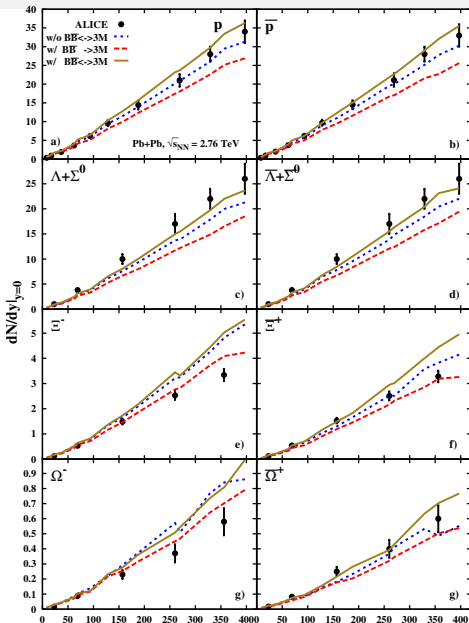


- Comparison of calculations without $B\bar{B} \leftrightarrow 3M$ (blue dotted), with only annihilation (red dashed) and annihilation and recreation (olive solid)
- Au+Au, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV
- Centrality dependence of central rapidity density is generally reproduced well
- Full $B\bar{B} \leftrightarrow 3M$ calculations lie always between the results of only annihilation and no such reactions considered
- Better agreement with recreation than without

RHIC

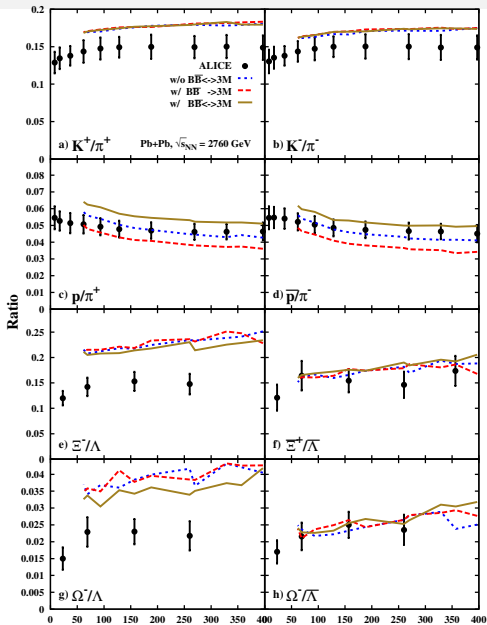


- Particle ratios are close to data for all versions
- Only p/π^+ and \bar{p}/π^- are sensitive to different versions

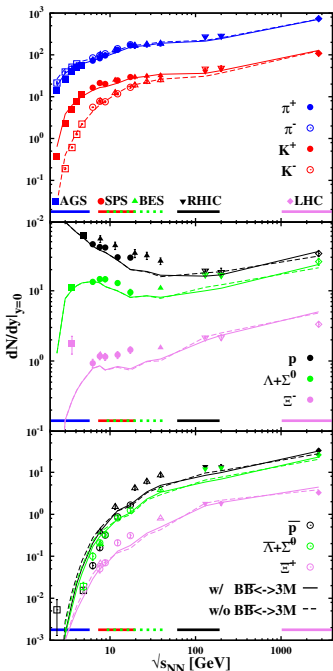


- Pb+Pb, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV
- Full $B\bar{B} \leftrightarrow 3M$ lie now always above the calculations without these reactions and only annihilation considered
- Description of Ξ 's and Ω^- is a little off

LHC



- Again only ratios p/π^+ and \bar{p}/π^- are sensitive to different calculations
- Particle ratios lie very close to experimental data



From AGS to LHC:

- Calculations are done using full $B\bar{B} \leftrightarrow 3M$ reactions (solid) and no $B\bar{B} \leftrightarrow 3M$ reactions (dashed)
 - AGS: Au+Au, SPS: Pb+Pb, BES: Au+Au, RHIC: Au+Au, LHC: Pb+Pb
 - Centrality classes for each point are chosen to be in line with experimental analysis
 - In SPS/BES overlap region the parameters match SPS
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- Overall good agreement with data
 - $\Lambda + \Sigma^0$ and $\bar{\Lambda} + \bar{\Sigma}^0$ are slightly too low at RHIC energies
 - Ξ^- and Ξ^+ are overshot at LHC and slightly too low at SPS/BES
 - possible reason: a single universal matrix element taken from $p + \bar{p}$ annihilation

Summary

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- We described $B\bar{B} \leftrightarrow 3M$ reactions as a rearrangement of the quark content
- Implementation is proven to fulfil detailed balance relation using box simulations
- Strangeness sector affects mostly anti-hyperons and pushes results closer to data
- At low energies we find initially a balance between annihilation and recreation
- With rising energy we see at first a net annihilation at RHIC energies
- With even higher energies we find a strong net reformation at LHC energies
- Investigation of the central rapidity density as a function of centrality shows that the recreation of $B\bar{B}$ pairs through 3 meson fusion is needed to reproduce most of the data
- Particle ratios other than p/π^+ and \bar{p}/π^- are not sensitive to the difference of the three versions investigated: only annihilation, annihilation+recreation reactions and no $B\bar{B} \leftrightarrow 3M$
- The excitation functions show that PHSD with the $B\bar{B} \leftrightarrow 3M$ including the strangeness sector are in good agreement with experimental data
- Deviations are only seen in Ξ^- , $\Lambda + \Sigma^0$ and $\bar{\Lambda} + \bar{\Sigma}^0$ at some energies

Thank you for your attention!

Backup-Slides

Reactionrate

$$\frac{dN_{\text{coll}}[n \rightarrow m]}{dt dV} = \sum_{\nu} \sum_{\lambda} \int \prod_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{d^3 p_j}{(2\pi)^3 2E_j} \right) \prod_{k=1}^m \left(\frac{d^3 p_k}{(2\pi)^3 2E_k} \right) \\ \times W_{n,m}(p_j; \nu | p_k; \lambda) (2\pi)^4 \delta^4 \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j^\mu - \sum_{k=1}^m p_k^\mu \right) \prod_{j=1}^n (f_j(x, p_j)) \prod_{k=1}^m (\tilde{f}_k(x, p_k))$$

Annihilation cross section

$$\sum_m \sum_{\lambda_m} W_{2,m}(P^\mu = p_1^\mu + p_2^\mu; i, j; \lambda_m) R_m(P^\mu; M_3, \dots, M_{m+1}) = 2\sqrt{\lambda(s, M_1^2, M_2^2)} \sigma_{i,j}(\sqrt{s}) = 4E_1 E_2 v_{\text{rel}} \sigma_{i,j}(\sqrt{s})$$

$$R_m(P^\mu; M_1, \dots, M_m) = \left(\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \right)^m \int \prod_{k=1}^m \frac{d^3 p_k}{2E_k} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4 \left(P^\mu - \sum_{j=1}^m p_j^\mu \right)$$

$$\lambda(a, b, c) = (a - b - c)^2 - 4bc$$

$$v_{\text{rel}} = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda(s, M_1^2, M_2^2)}}{2E_1 E_2}$$

$B\bar{B} \rightarrow 3$ mesons

$$\frac{dN_{\text{coll}}[B\bar{B} \rightarrow 3 \text{ mesons}]}{dtdV} = \sum_c \sum_{c'} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^6} \int \frac{d^3 p_1}{2E_1} \frac{d^3 p_2}{2E_2} W_{2,3}(\sqrt{s}; c') = (M_1, M_2; i, j), c = (M_3, M_4, M_5; k, l, m)$$

$$\times R_3(p_1^\mu + p_2^\mu; c) N_{\text{fin}}^c f_i(x, p_1) f_j(x, p_2)$$

$$N_{\text{fin}}^c = (2s_3 + 1)(2s_4 + 1)(2s_5 + 1) \frac{F_{\text{iso}}}{N_{\text{id}}!}$$

Probability $B\bar{B} \rightarrow 3$ mesons

$$P_{cc'}^{2,3} = \frac{1}{4E_1 E_2} W_{2,3}(\sqrt{s}, c, c') R_3(\sqrt{s}, c) N_{\text{fin}}^c$$

$$\sum_c P_{cc'}^{2,3}(\sqrt{s}) = v_{\text{rel}} \sigma_{\text{ann}}^{c'}(\sqrt{s})$$

$$\bar{P}^c(\sqrt{s}) = N_3(\sqrt{s}, c') R_3(\sqrt{s}, c) N_{\text{fin}}^c$$

$$N_3^{-1}(\sqrt{s}, c') = \sum_c R_3(\sqrt{s}, c) N_{\text{fin}}^c$$

3 mesons $\rightarrow B\bar{B}$

$$\frac{dN_{\text{coll}}[3 \text{ mesons} \rightarrow B\bar{B}]}{dt dV} = \sum_c \sum_{c'} \int \frac{d^3 p_3}{(2\pi)^3 2E_3} \frac{d^3 p_4}{(2\pi)^3 2E_4} \frac{d^3 p_5}{(2\pi)^3 2E_5} W_{3,2}(\sqrt{s}) R_2(\sqrt{s}, c') N_B^{c'} f_k(x, p_3) f_l(x, p_4) f_m(x, p_5)$$

Probability 3 mesons $\rightarrow B\bar{B}$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{c'c}^{3,2} &= \frac{1}{8E_3 E_4 E_5} W_{2,3}(\sqrt{s}, c', c) R_2(\sqrt{s}, c') N_B^{c'} \\ v_{\text{rel}} \sigma_{\text{ann}}^{c'}(\sqrt{s}) &= \sum_c \frac{1}{4E_1 E_2} W_{2,3}(\sqrt{s}, c', c) R_3(\sqrt{s}, c) N_{\text{fin}}^c \\ &= \frac{1}{4E_1 E_2} W_{2,3}(\sqrt{s}, c', c) N_3^{-1}(\sqrt{s}, c') \\ \Rightarrow P_{c'c}^{3,2} &= \frac{4E_1 E_2}{8E_3 E_4 E_5} \sigma_{\text{ann}}^{c'}(\sqrt{s}) v_{\text{rel}} N_3(\sqrt{s}, c') R_2(\sqrt{s}, c') N_B^{c'} \end{aligned}$$

Dimensionless probabilities

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{P}_{\text{tot}}^{2,3} &= \sum_c P_{cc'}^{2,3} = \sigma_{\text{ann}}^{c'} v_{\text{rel}} \frac{dt}{dV} \\ \bar{P}_{c'c}^{3,2} &= \frac{1}{4E_3 E_4 E_5} \sigma_{\text{ann}}^{c'}(\sqrt{s}) N_3(\sqrt{s}, c') \frac{\lambda(s, M_1^2, M_2^2)}{8\pi s} N_B^{c'} (\hbar c)^3 \frac{dt}{dV^2} \end{aligned}$$