

# Our interests in NICA

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## Involvement in physics of high-energy nucleus-nucleus collisions



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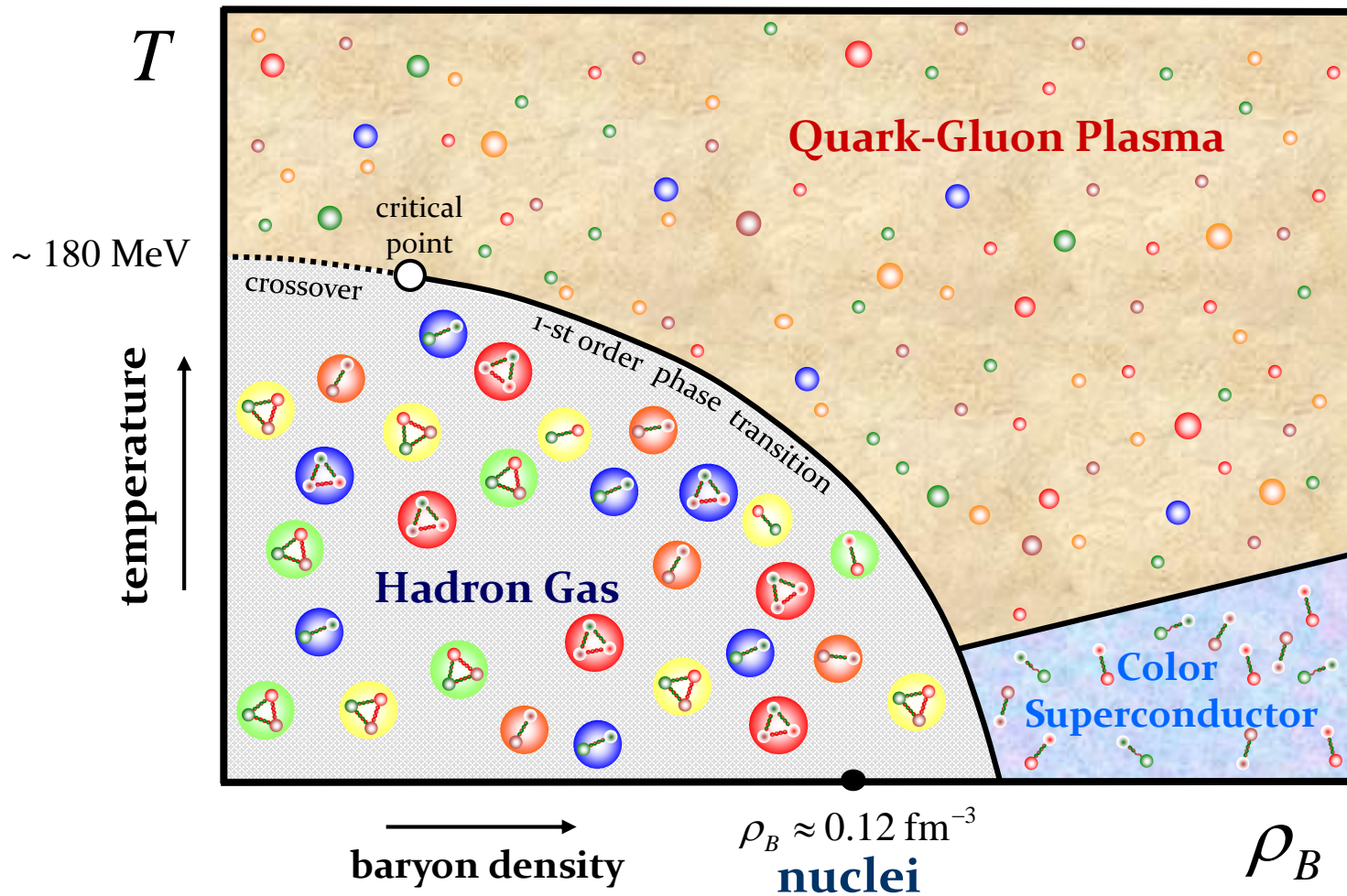
Since 1970s experiments at Dubna, CERN, BNL



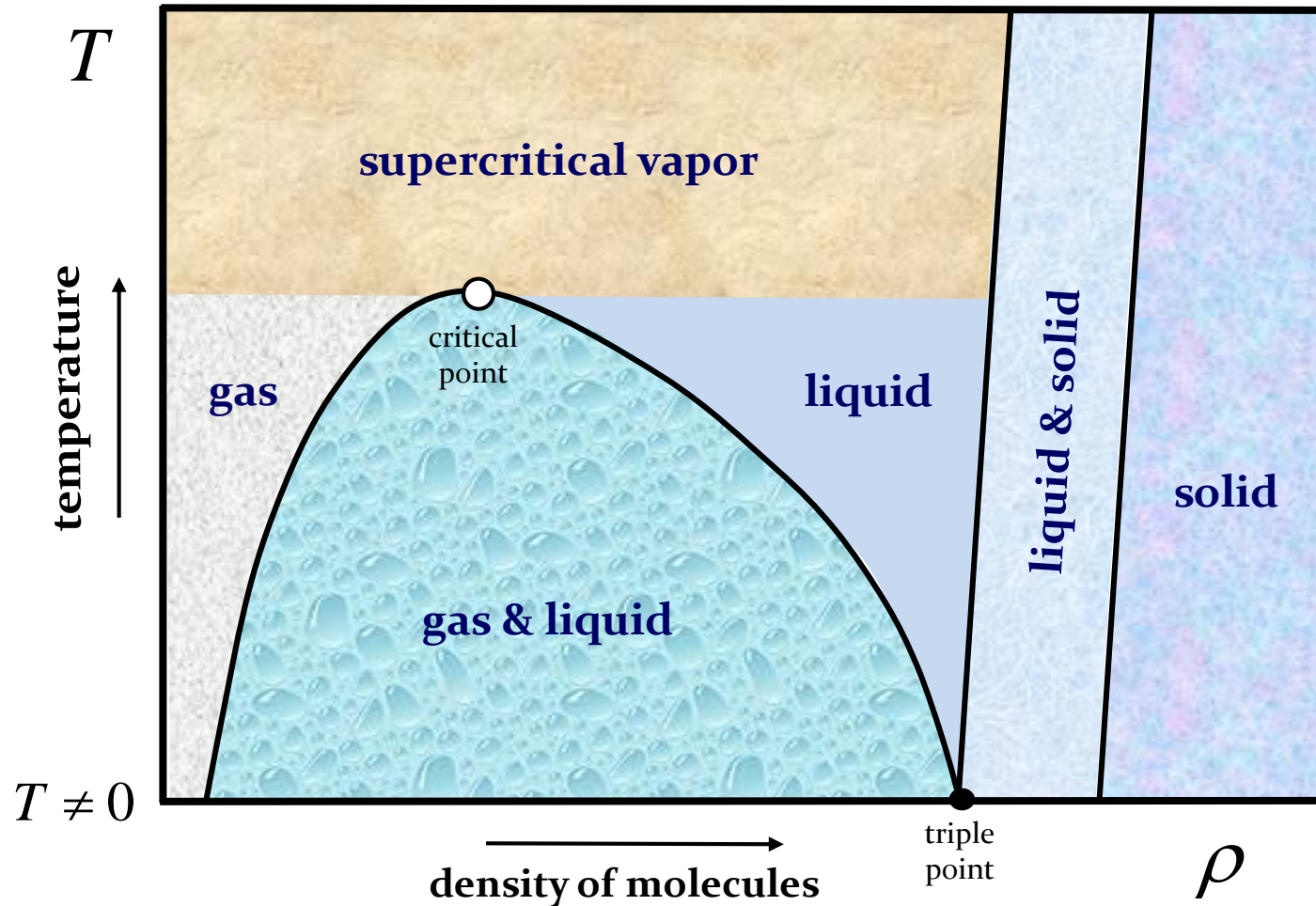
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# Phase diagram of strongly interacting matter



# Schematic phase diagram of a simple fluid



# Compressibility of strongly interacting matter

Isothermal compressibility

$$\beta_T \equiv -\frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial p} \right)_{T, \langle N \rangle} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{incompressible fluid } V = \text{const} \\ \frac{V}{T \langle N \rangle} & \text{ideal gas} \\ \infty & \text{phase coexistence } p = \text{const} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\langle N^2 \rangle - \langle N \rangle^2}{\langle N \rangle} = T \frac{\langle N \rangle}{V} \beta_T$$

Multiplicity fluctuations determine the isothermal compressibility.

St. Mrówczyński, Physics Letters **B430**, 9 (1998)



analysis of experimental data

M. Mukherjee, S. Basu, A. Chatterjee, S. Chatterjee, S.P. Adhya, S. Thakur, T.K. Nayak, arXiv:1708.08692

# Multi-component system

$$\frac{\langle N^2 \rangle - \langle N \rangle^2}{\langle N \rangle} = T \frac{\langle N \rangle}{V} \beta_T$$

one-component system



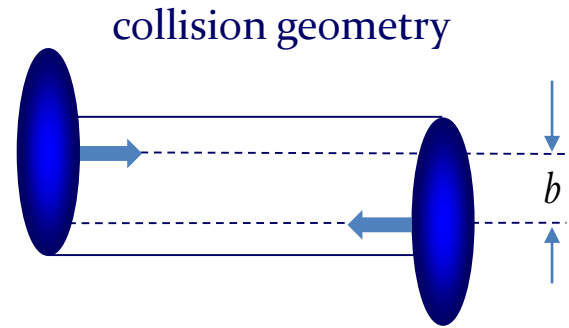
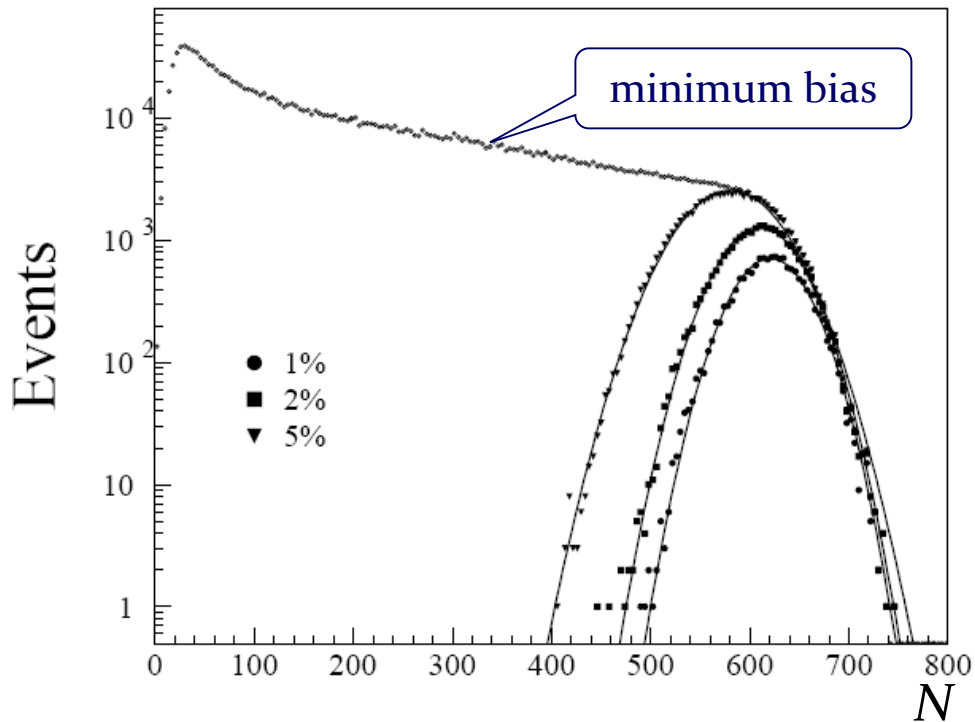
$$\sum_{i,j} \langle N_i \rangle \langle N_j \rangle M_{ij}^{-1} = \frac{V}{T \beta_T}$$

multi-component system

$$M_{ij} \equiv \langle (N_i - \langle N_i \rangle)(N_j - \langle N_j \rangle) \rangle$$

# Multiplicity distribution

Pb-Pb @ 158 AGeV



$\langle N \rangle$  &  $\text{Var}(N)$  strongly depend on trigger conditions

M.M. Aggarwal et al. [WA98 Collaboration], Phys. Rev. **C65**, 054912 (2002)

# How to eliminate trivial fluctuations?

## Wounded nucleon model

- $N$  – number of particles produced in a nucleus-nucleus collision
- $N_w$  – number of wounded nucleons
- $n$  – number of particles coming from a single wounded nucleon

▶  $\langle N \rangle = \langle n \rangle \langle N_w \rangle$

trivial fluctuations

▶  $\text{Var}(N) = \text{Var}(n) \langle N_w \rangle + \langle n \rangle^2 \text{Var}(N_w)$

variance

$$\text{Var}(N) \equiv \langle N^2 \rangle - \langle N \rangle^2$$

$$\omega(N) = \omega(n) + \langle n \rangle \omega(N_w)$$

scaled variance

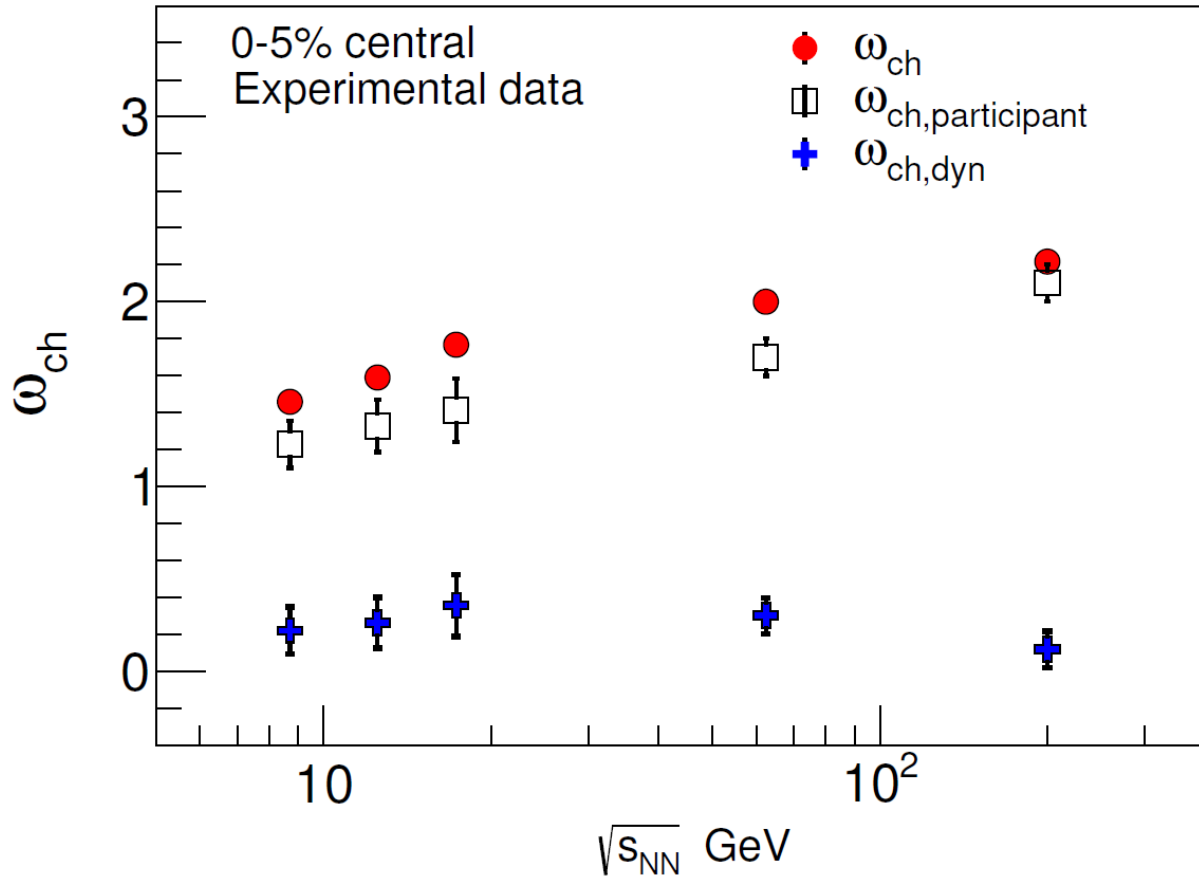
$$\omega(N) \equiv \frac{\text{Var}(N)}{\langle N \rangle}$$

Trivial fluctuations can be measured



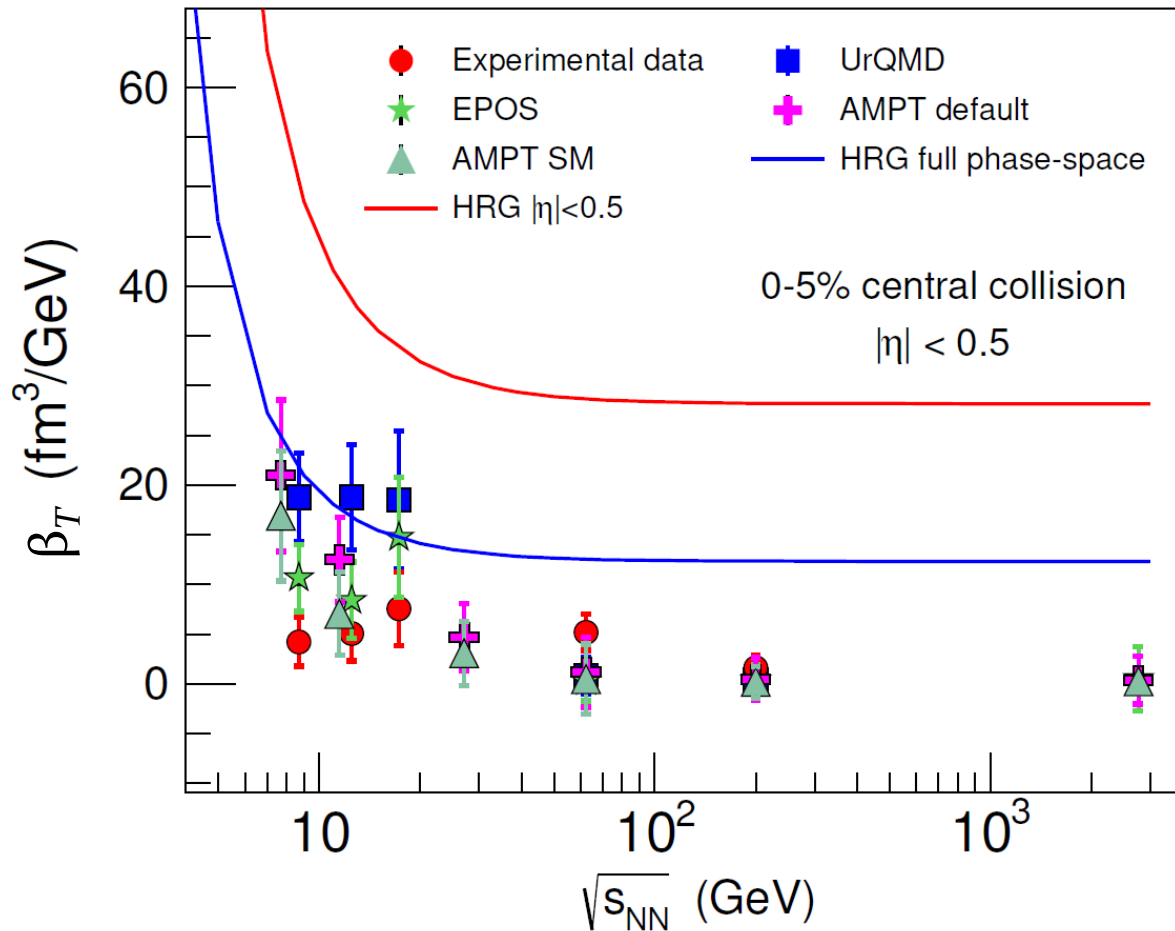
# Dynamical fluctuations

Scaled variance of multiplicity of charged particles  $\omega_{\text{ch}} \equiv \frac{\text{Var}(N_{\text{ch}})}{\langle N_{\text{ch}} \rangle}$



# Extracted compressibility

Very first results!



# Summary & Conclusions

- ▶ NCBJ & UJK are greatly interested in NICA.
- ▶ The isothermal compressibility of strongly interacting matter is measurable.