



Meson and Di-Electron Production: Recent Results from HADES

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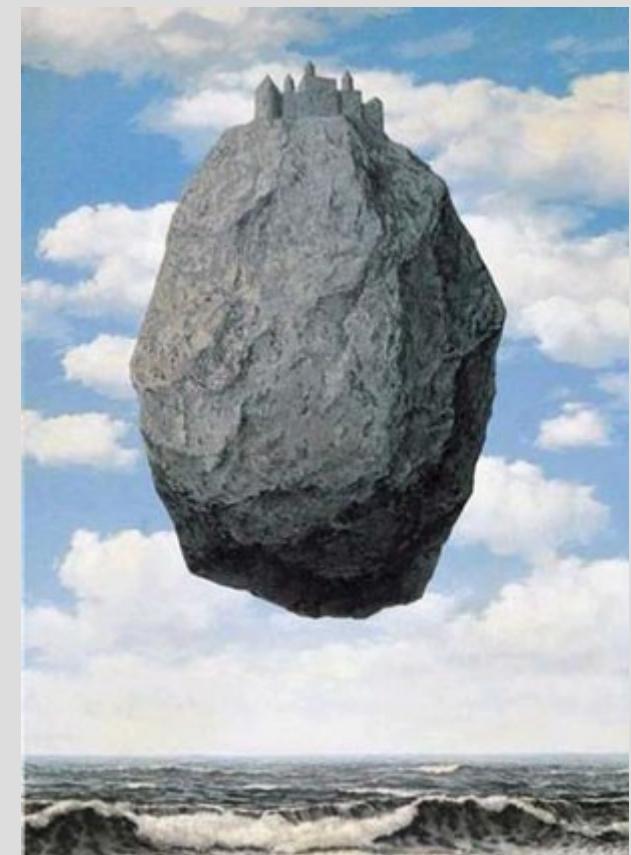
Motivation

- Hadrons ($\eta\alpha\delta\rho\sigma$, heavy objects)
 - Possible mechanism for mass generation: chiral symmetry breaking
(as explained by C. Djalali)
 - Approach: determine properties of hadronic matter
- at:
 - Different temperatures and/or densities
- Examples
 - Normal (“cold”) nuclear matter: ρ_0 , $T=0$
 - Heavy ion reactions,
 - either dense ($\rho > \rho_0$, $T > 0$) or hot ($\rho < \rho_0$, $T >>$)
 - Neutron stars



Outline

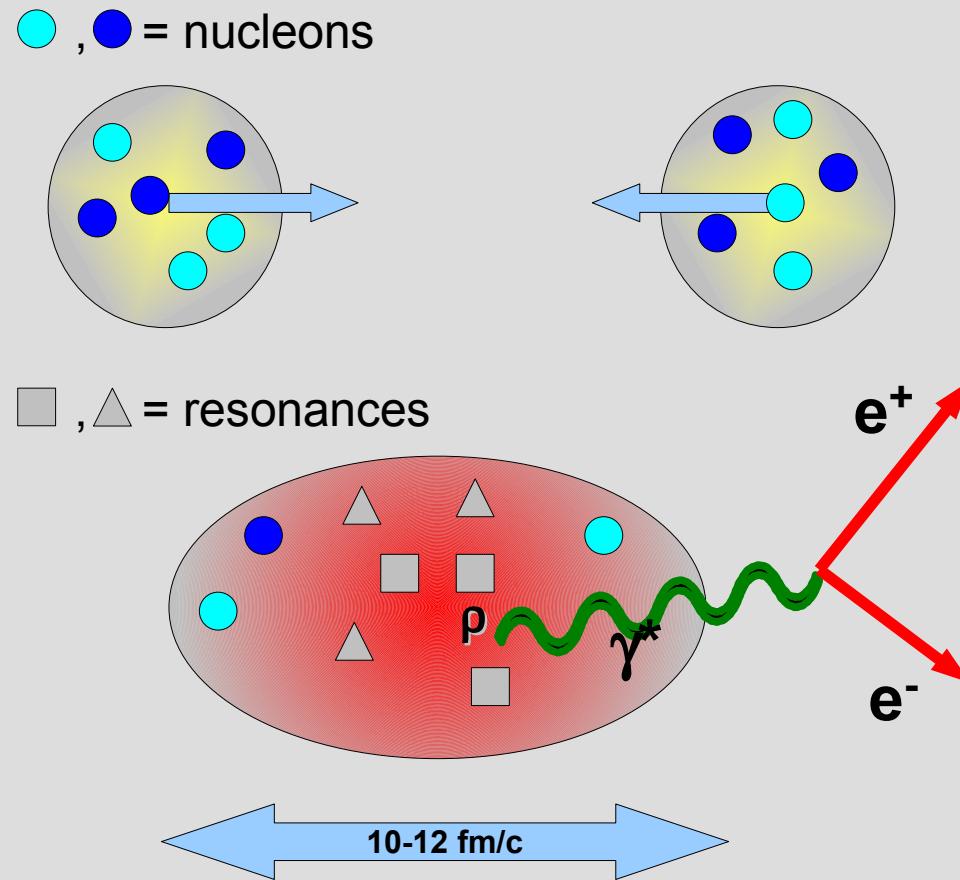
- Introduction (cont.)
- The detector setup & performance
- C+C at 1 and 2 AGeV
- p+p and p+n at 1.25 GeV
- Vector meson production
- Outlook



René Magritte:
Le Château des Pyrenées, 1959



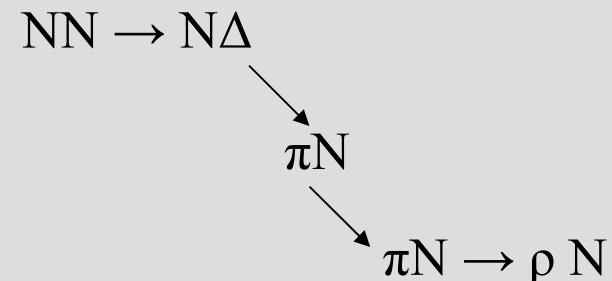
The „Light“ from Dense Matter



Di-leptons are ideal probes
(already outlined by C. Djalali)

- Heavy ion reactions
 - SIS18/GSI: 1-2 AGeV
 - Dense matter
 - Dominated by resonances
 - ρ produced & decayed inside dense phase

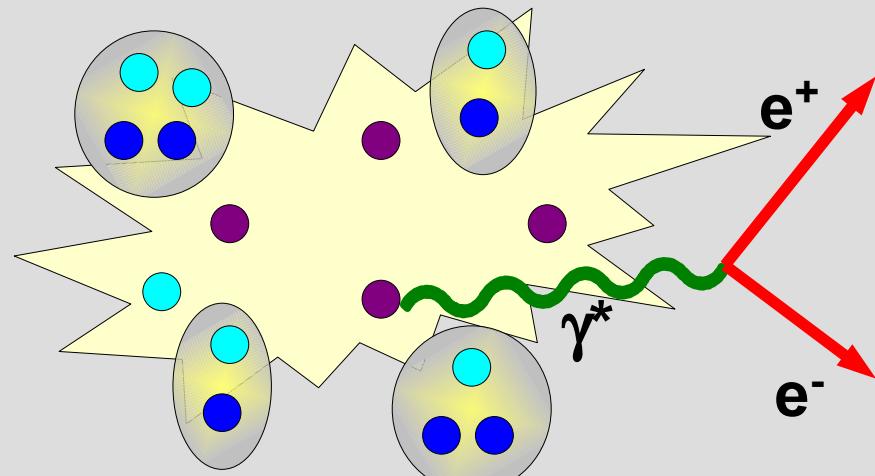
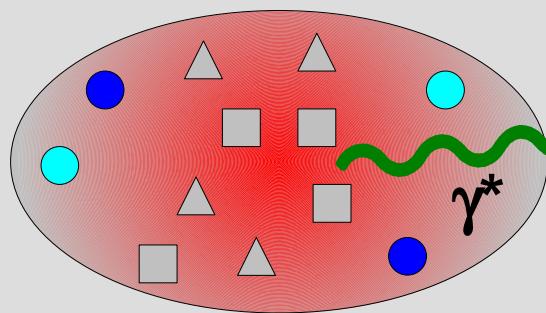
multi step processes: i.e.





Contributions to Cocktail

◻, △ = resonances



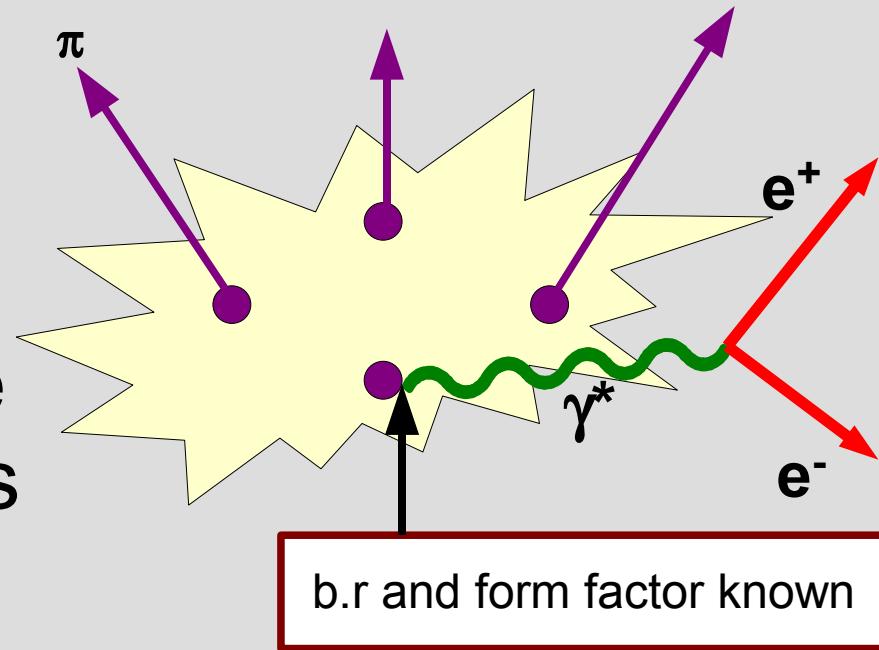
● = π, η, ω

- Short-lived components
 - $\rho \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
 - $\Delta, N^* \rightarrow Ne^+ e^-$
- Long-lived components:
 - $\pi^0/\eta \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$
 - $\omega \rightarrow (\pi^0) e^+ e^-$
- Strategy:
 - Subtract long-lived components
- Key to electromagnetic structure of dense matter



Detector Features

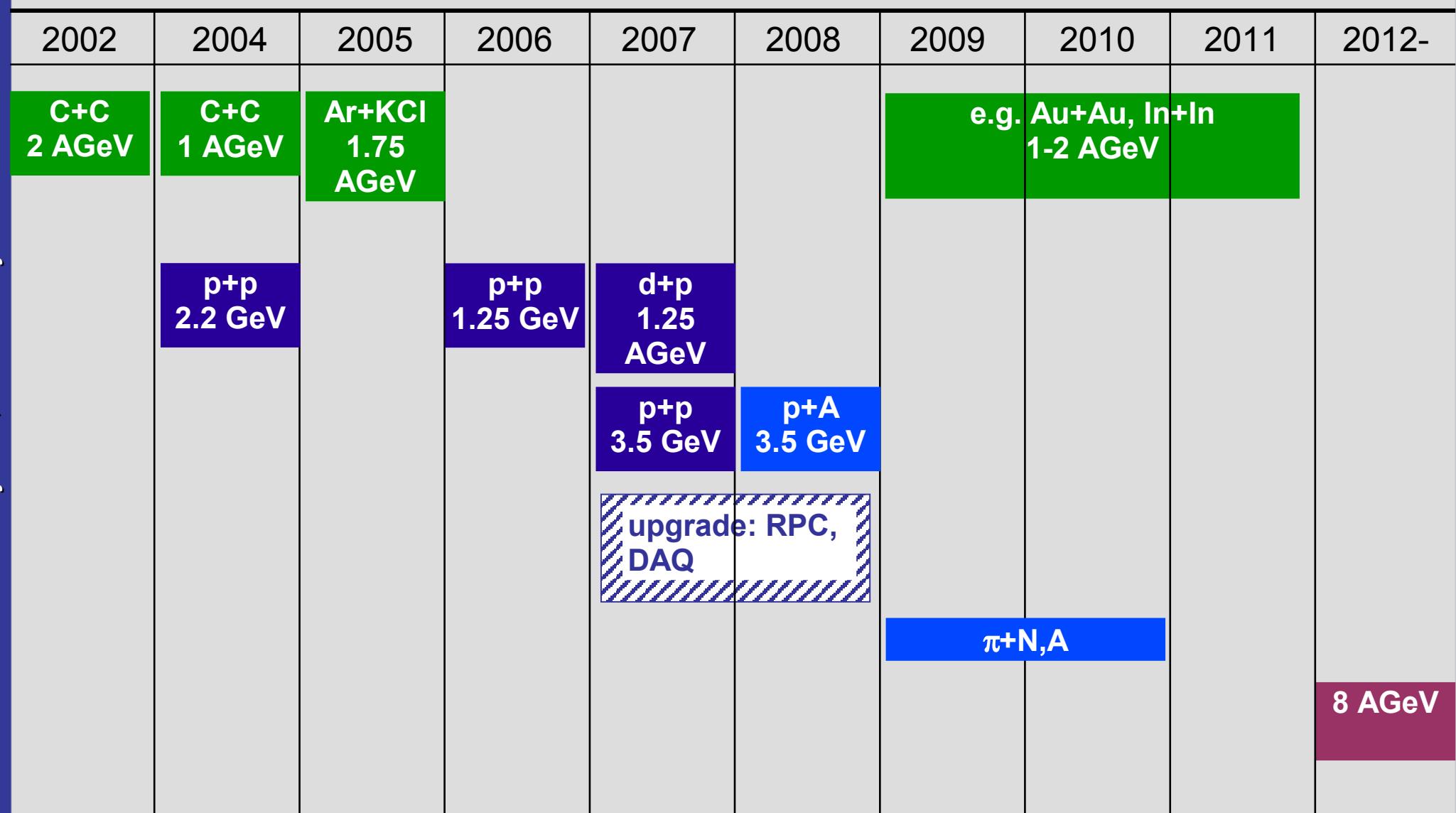
- Normalization:
 - Independent measurement of hadronic products
- Large pair acceptance over (almost) full mass range
- Fixes π^0 contribution



HADES: The High Acceptance Di-Electron Spectrometer
or
Hadron And Di-Electron Spectrometer



Schedule

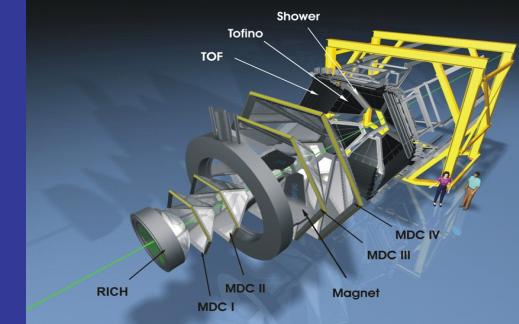




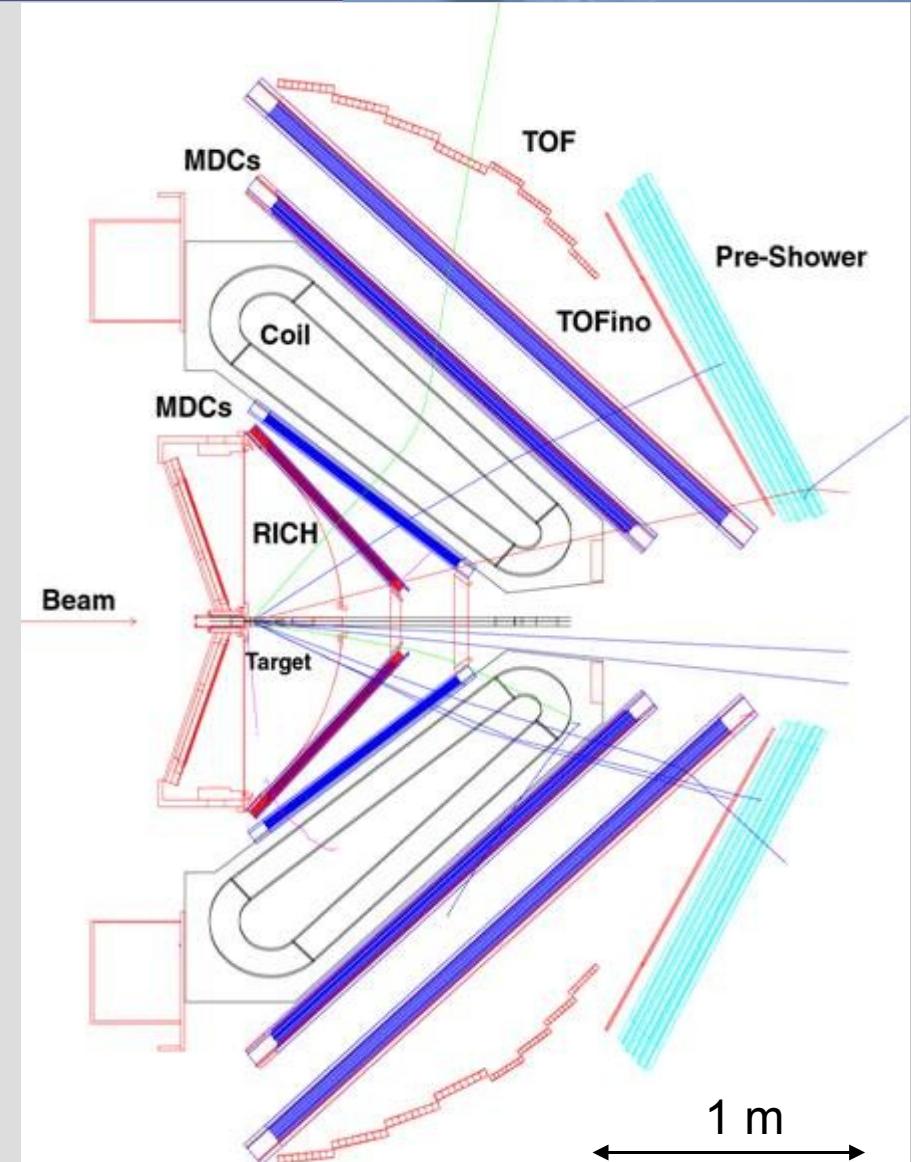
Detector Setup and Performance



HADES Layout

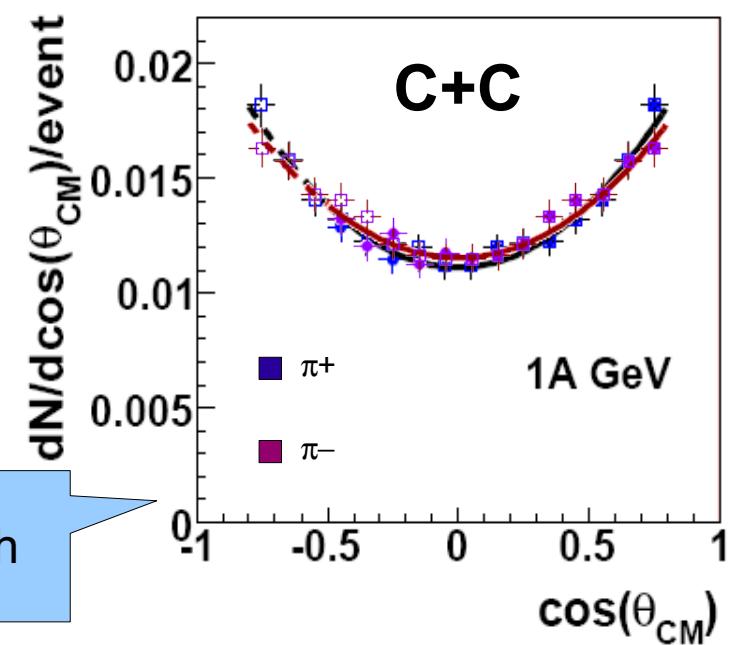
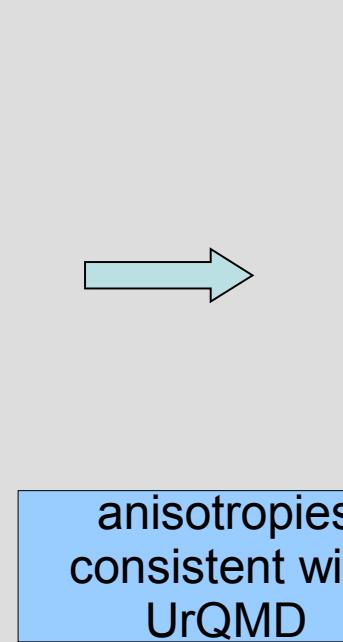
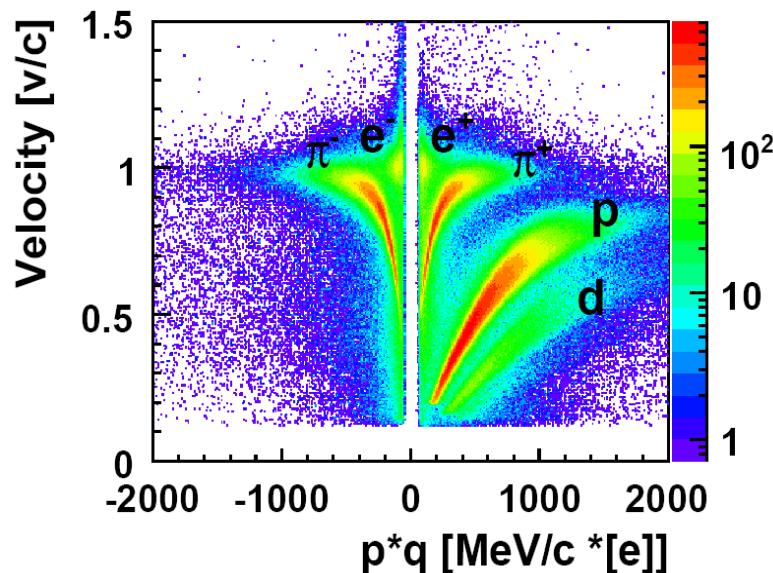


- **Geometry**
 - Full azimuthal coverage, polar angles $18^\circ - 85^\circ$
- **Particle identification**
 - RICH: CsI solid photo cathode, C_4F_{10} radiator
 - TOF
 - TOFino, (RPC in future)
 - Pre-Shower
- **Momentum measurement**
 - Superconducting toroid
 - MDCs: 24 multi-wire drift chambers
(C+C: Only 12 MDCs)
- **Online event selection (level-2 trigger)**





Performance: Pions



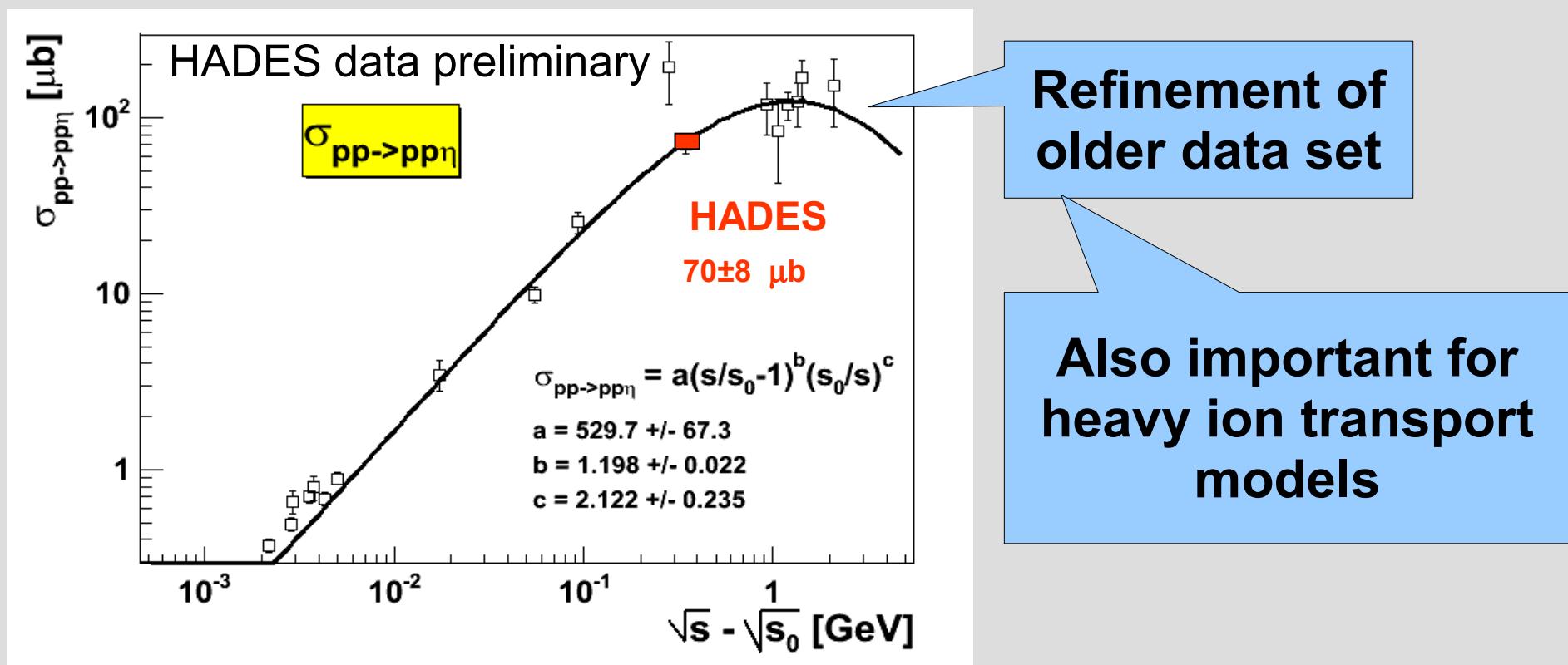
- Charged pion production under control
- NB for C+C
 - $\pi^0 = \frac{1}{2} (\pi^+ + \pi^-)$

Beam energy = 1 AGeV				
Particle	this work	KAOS [20]	TAPS [18]	UrQMD
π^+		0.061 ± 0.009		
$1/2(\pi^+ + \pi^-)$	0.061 ± 0.007			0.059
π^0			0.059 ± 0.005	0.067
Beam energy = 2 AGeV				
Particle	this work	KAOS [20]	TAPS [18]	UrQMD
π^+		0.158 ± 0.014		
$1/2(\pi^+ + \pi^-)$	0.158 ± 0.017			0.137
π^0			0.154 ± 0.015	0.159



Performance: Exclusive Reactions

- Performance studied in (exclusive) pp reactions (here: 2.2 GeV)
- $\text{pp} \rightarrow \text{pp}\eta \rightarrow \text{pp}\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$

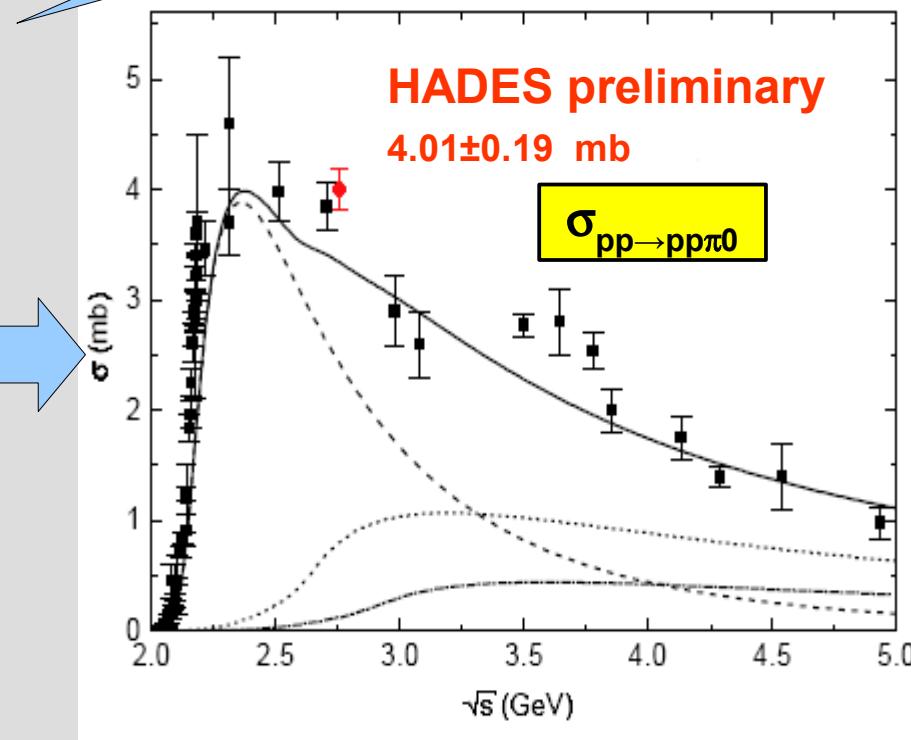
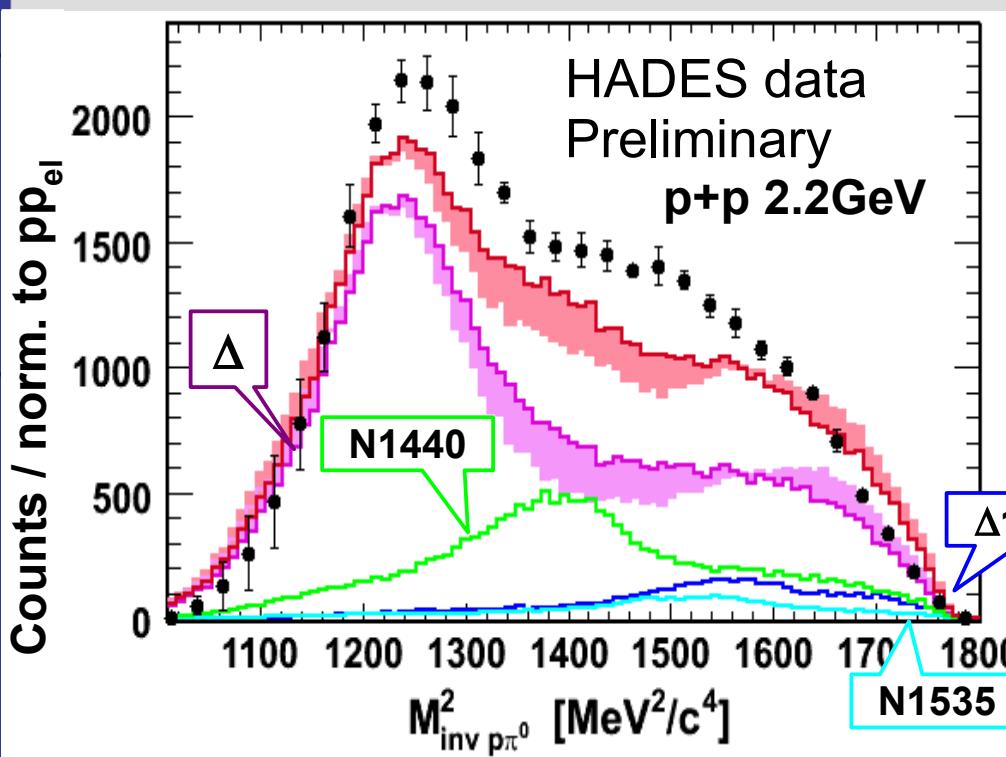




Exclusive Reaction: $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^0$

- π^0 simulation via resonance model [1-4]
- Cross section consistent with [1]

Absolute scale
(via pp elastic)



[1] Teis et al, ZPA356 (97) 421

[2] Δ angular distrib. from Dmitriev et al, NPA459 (86) 503

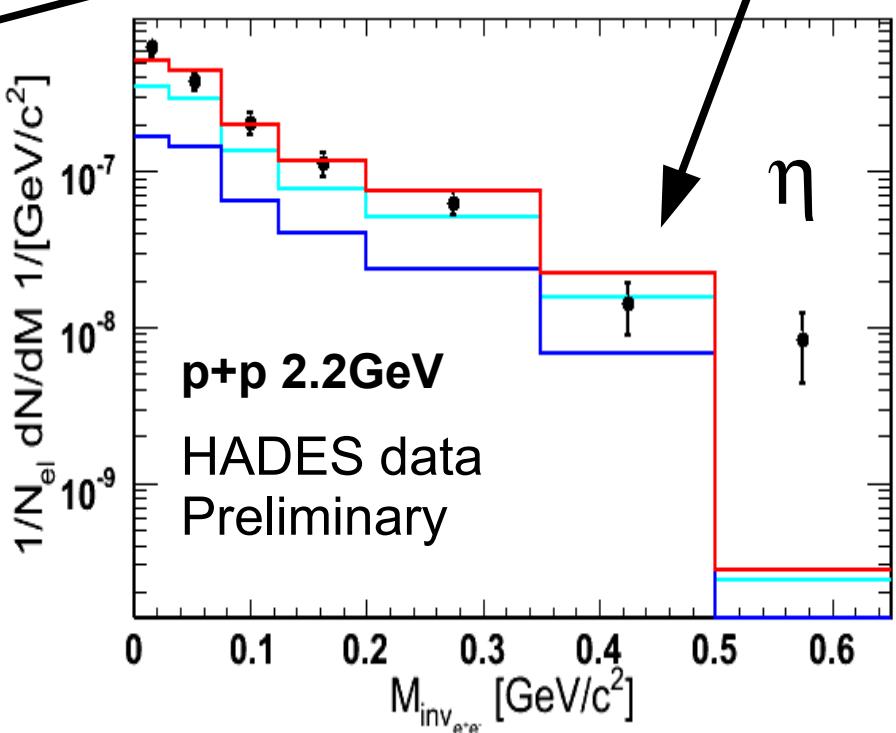
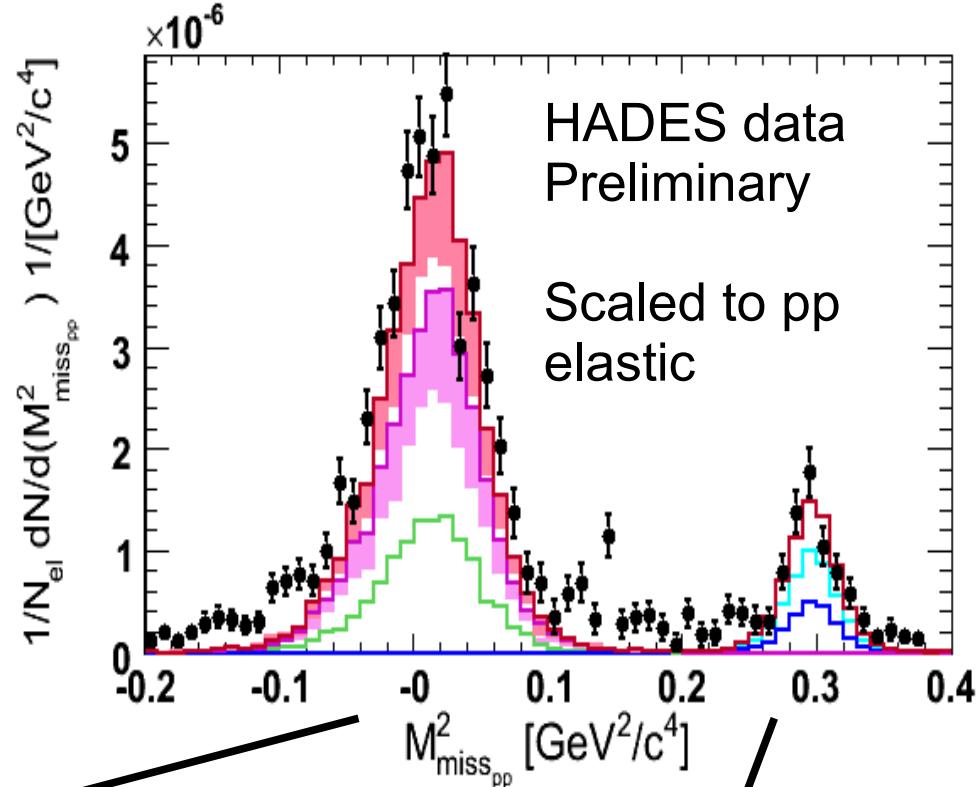
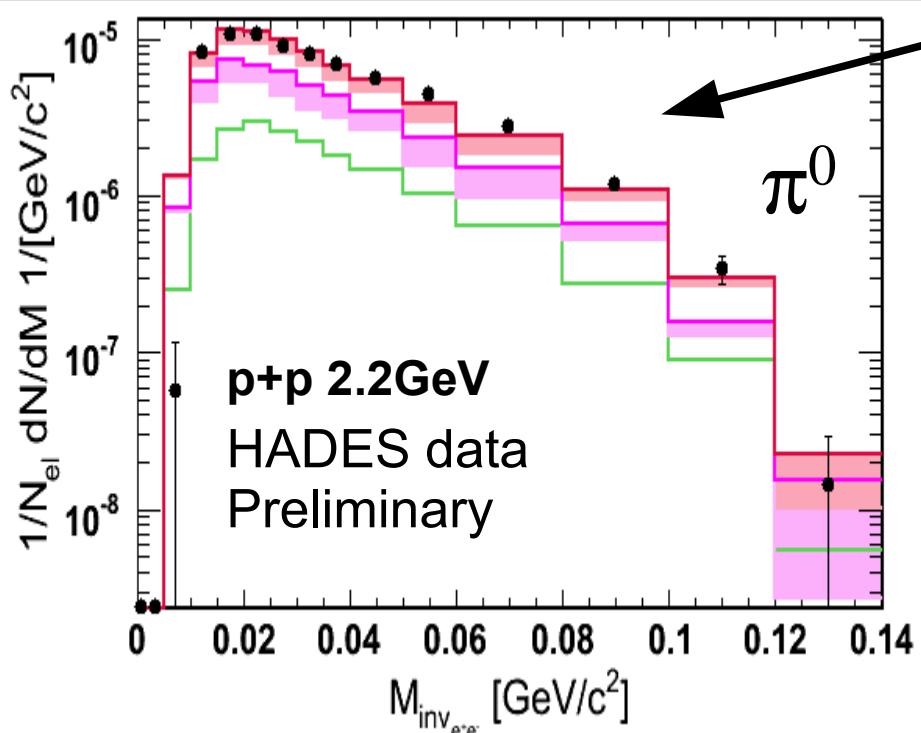
[3] N1440 ang. distr. from Aichelin, priv. comm.

[4] Δ decay angle varied from $1+0.6\cos^2$ (Wicklund et al. PRD 35 (87) 2670) to $1-3\cos^2$



η/π^0 Dalitz Decay

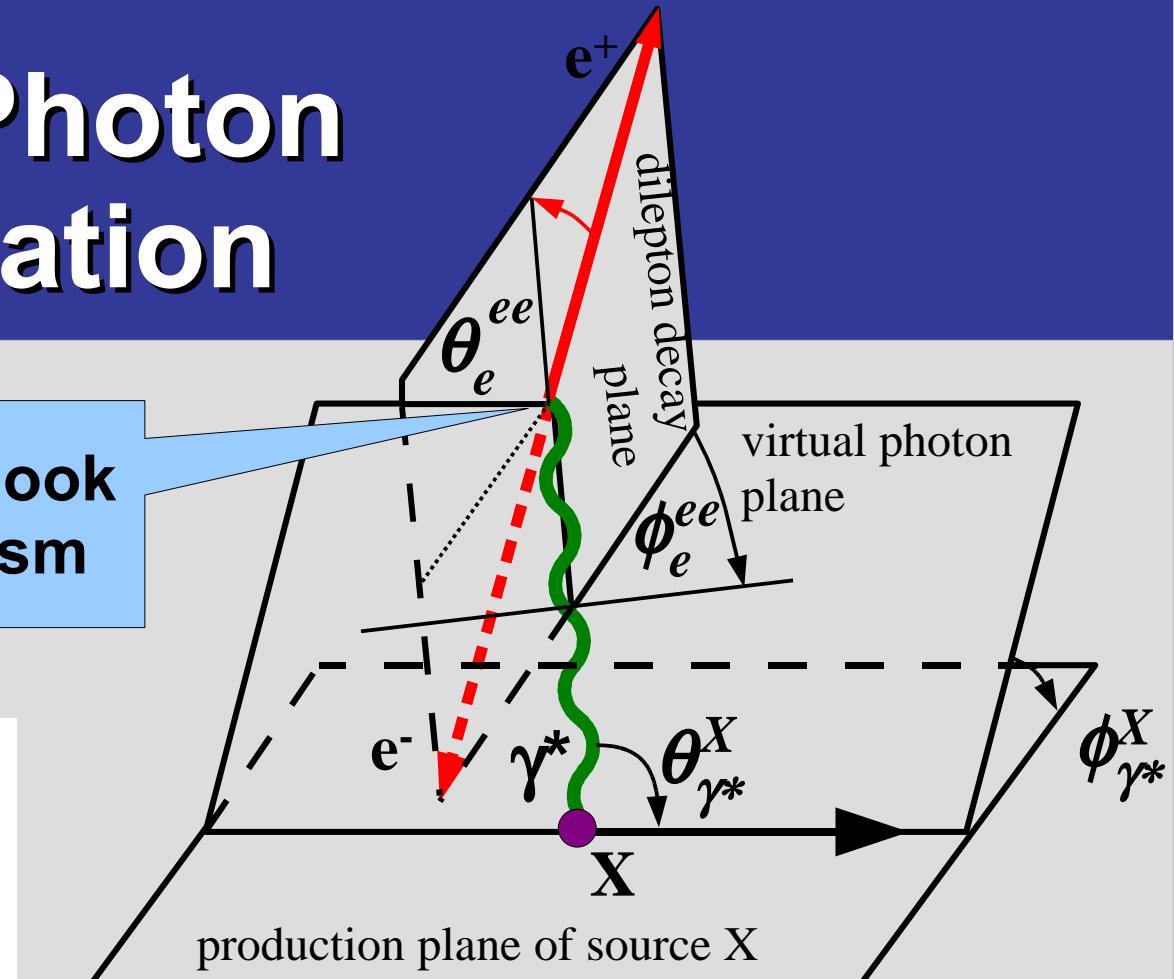
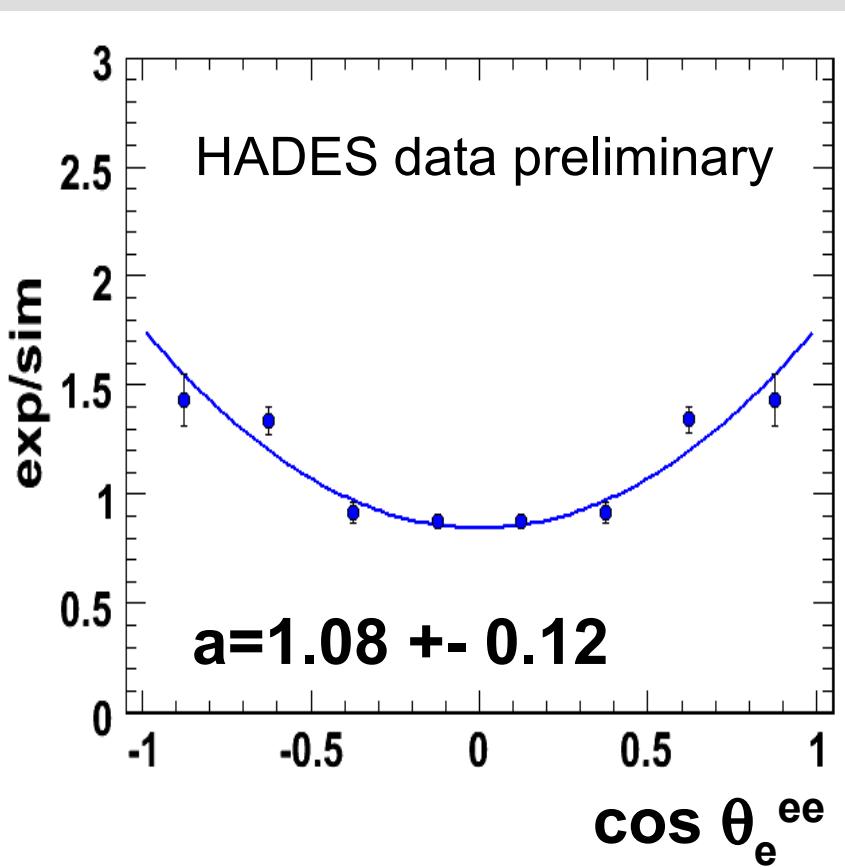
- $p\bar{p} \rightarrow p\bar{p}\eta/\pi^0$
- $p\bar{p}e^+e^-\gamma$
- Efficiency under control





Virtual Photon Polarization

Additional observable to look into production mechanism



- Di-Lepton decay angles
→ Polarizations
- e.g. helicity angle distribution $\sim 1 + a \cdot \cos^2 \theta$
- η : $a = -1$ [1]



C+C @ 1 and 2 AGeV The DLS puzzle

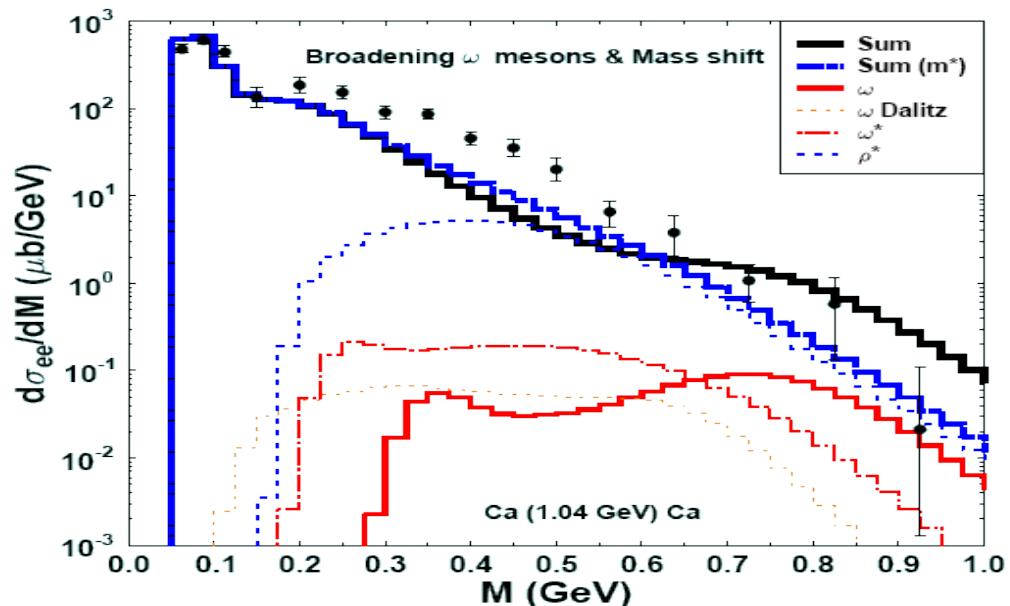
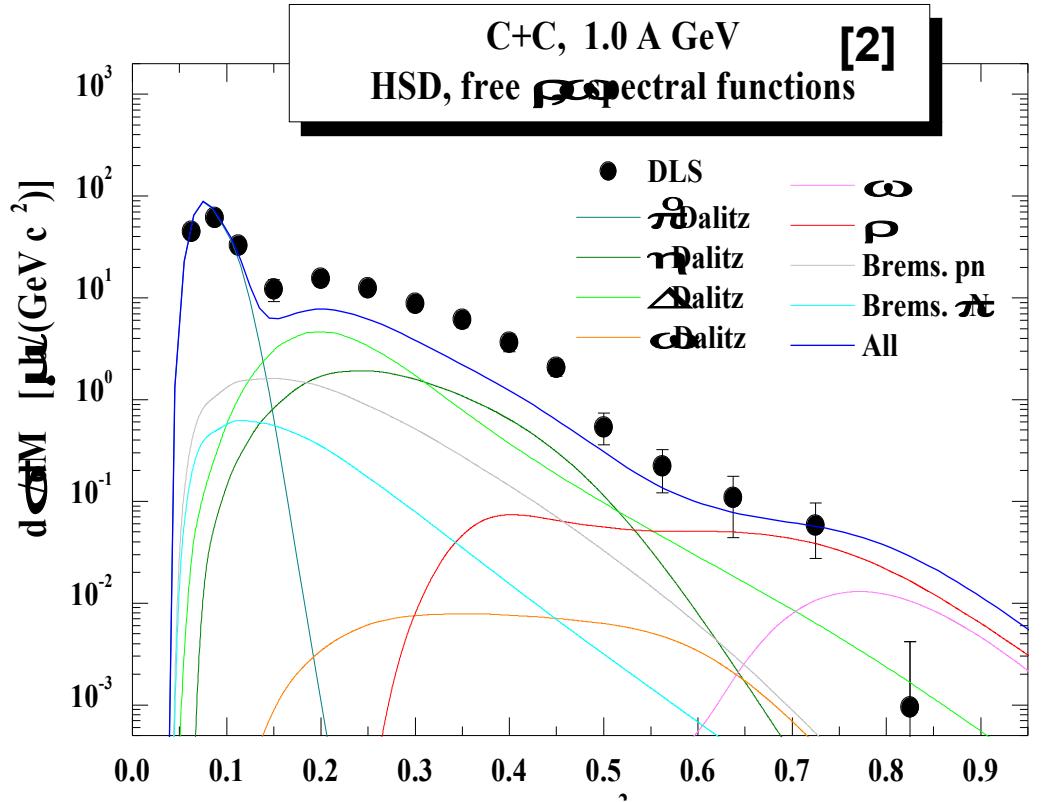


„DLS puzzle“

- DLS heavy ion data
- Enhancement
 - Remained unexplained for a long time
 - Triggered speculations

→ HADES: C+C at 1/2 AGeV

- [1] DLS Data: R.J. Porter et al.: PRL 79 (1997) 1229
 [2] E.L. Bratkovkaya, Trento workshop
 [3] C. Ernst et al., PRC 58 (1998) 447

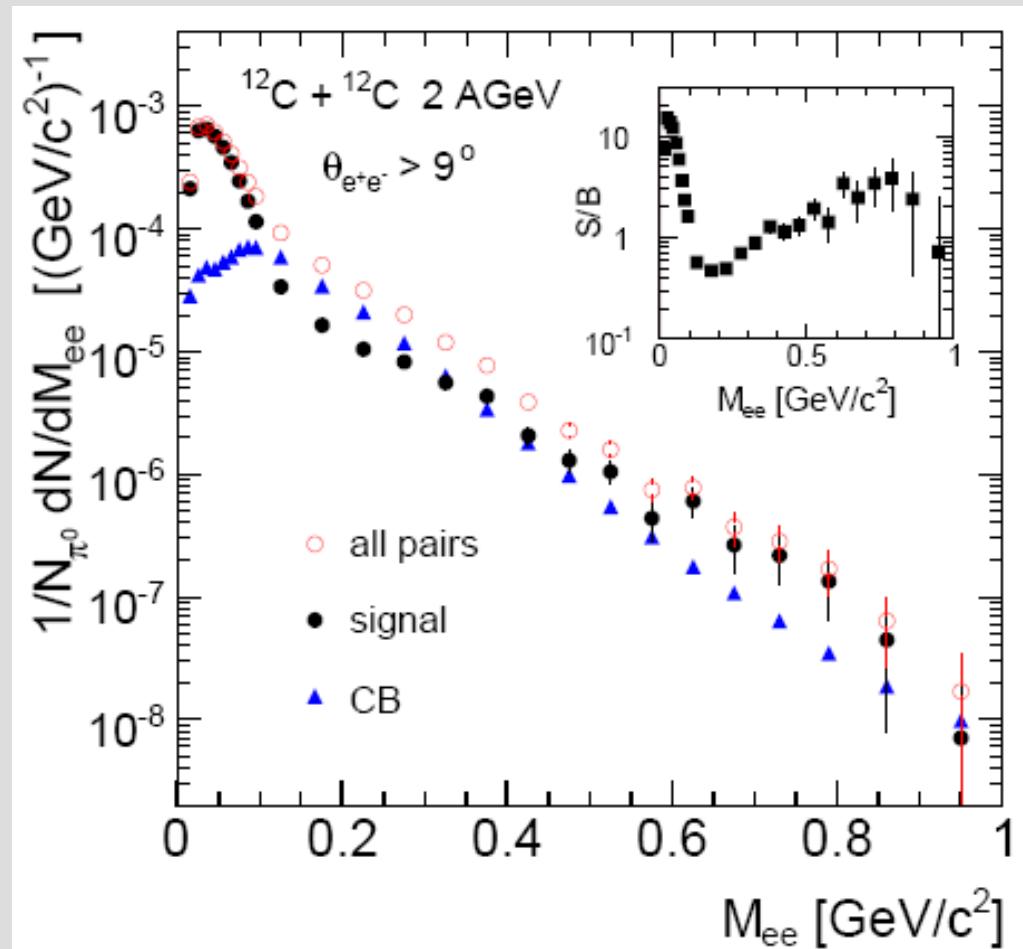




HADES Pair Analysis

- C+C at 2AGeV
 - Lepton & pair selections
 - (e.g. $>9^\circ$ opening angle)
- Subtract combinatorial background
- Efficiency correction

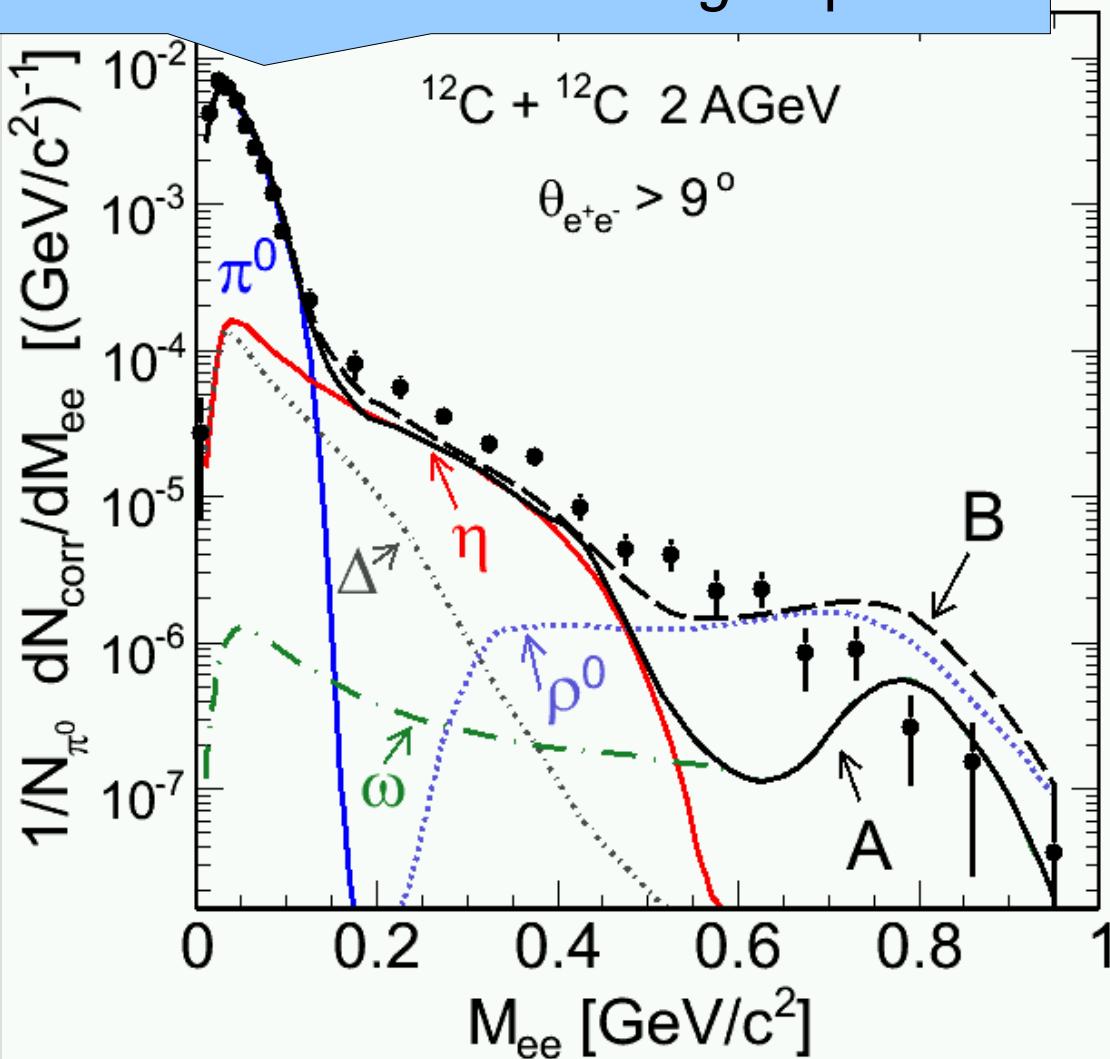
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C+C @ 2AGeV [1]

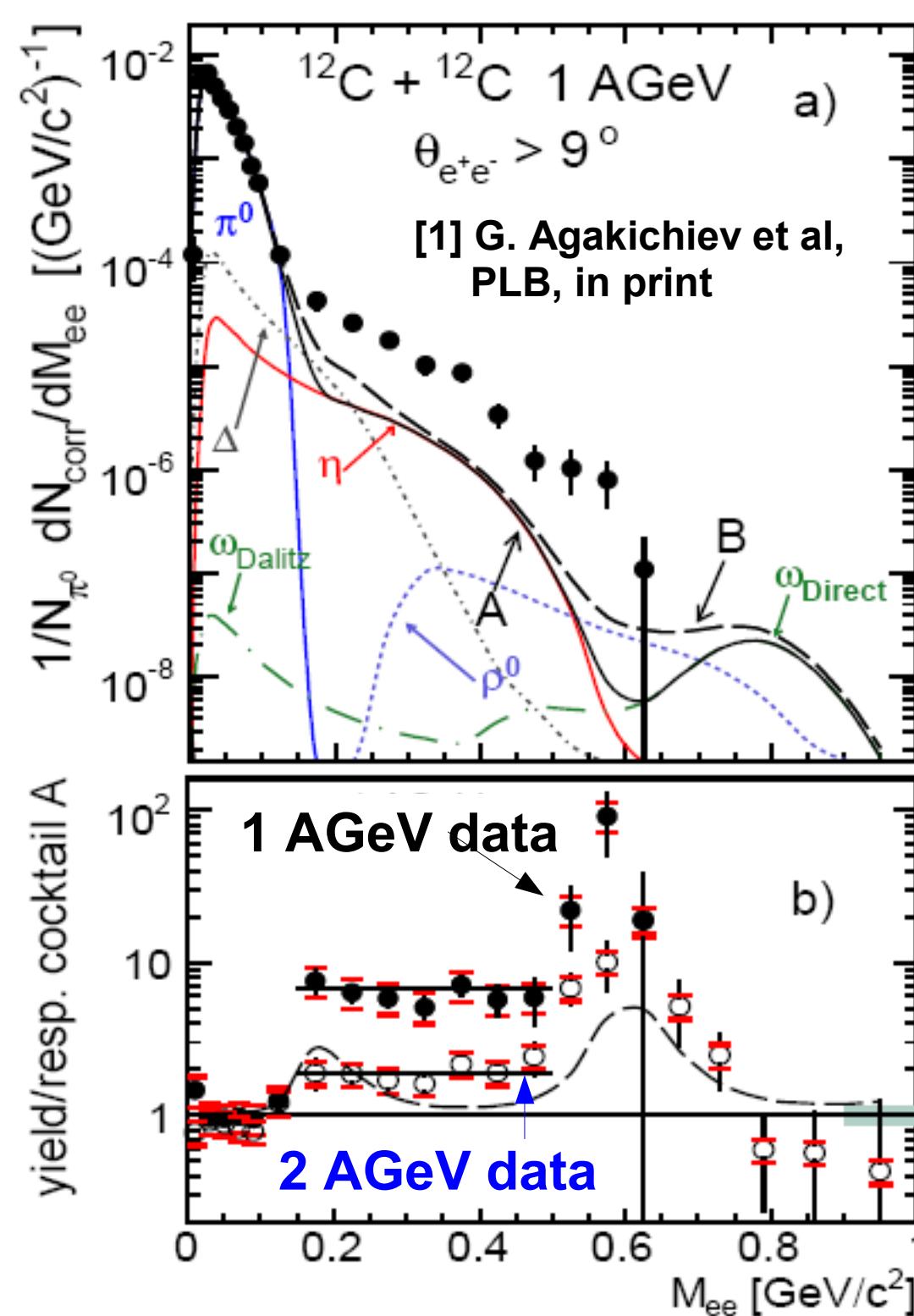
Normalization via *charged* pions



- Simulation **Pluto**
 - Thermal emission of particles
→ No „bremsstrahlung“
- Model A: long-lived sources: π^0, η, ω
- Model B: with short-lived resonances ρ, Δ

[1] G. Agakichiev et al,
PRL 98, 052302 (2007)

2AGeV vs. 1AGeV

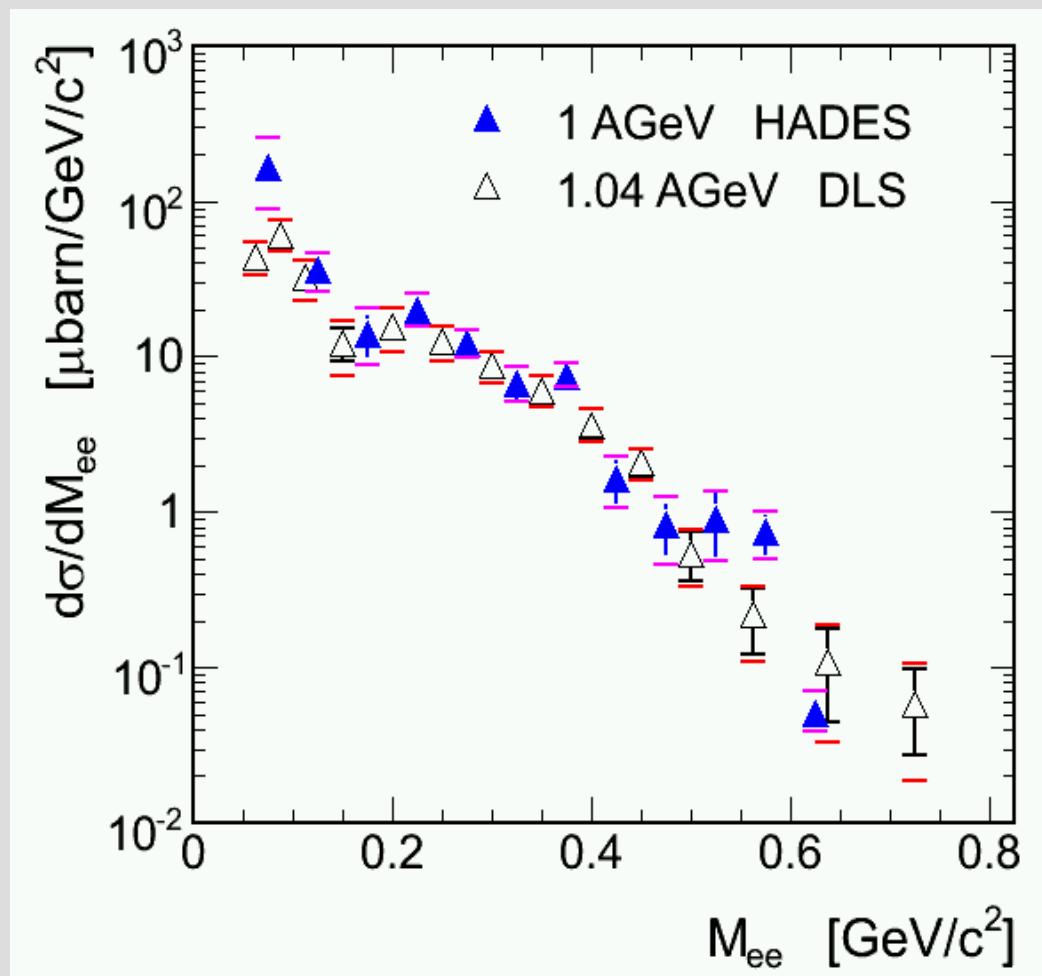


- 1 AGeV data [1] analyzed by same methods
- π^0 region well under control
- Enhancement in η region
 - 6.8 at 1AGeV
 - (DLS: 6.5 at 1.04 AGeV)
 - 1.9 at 2AGeV



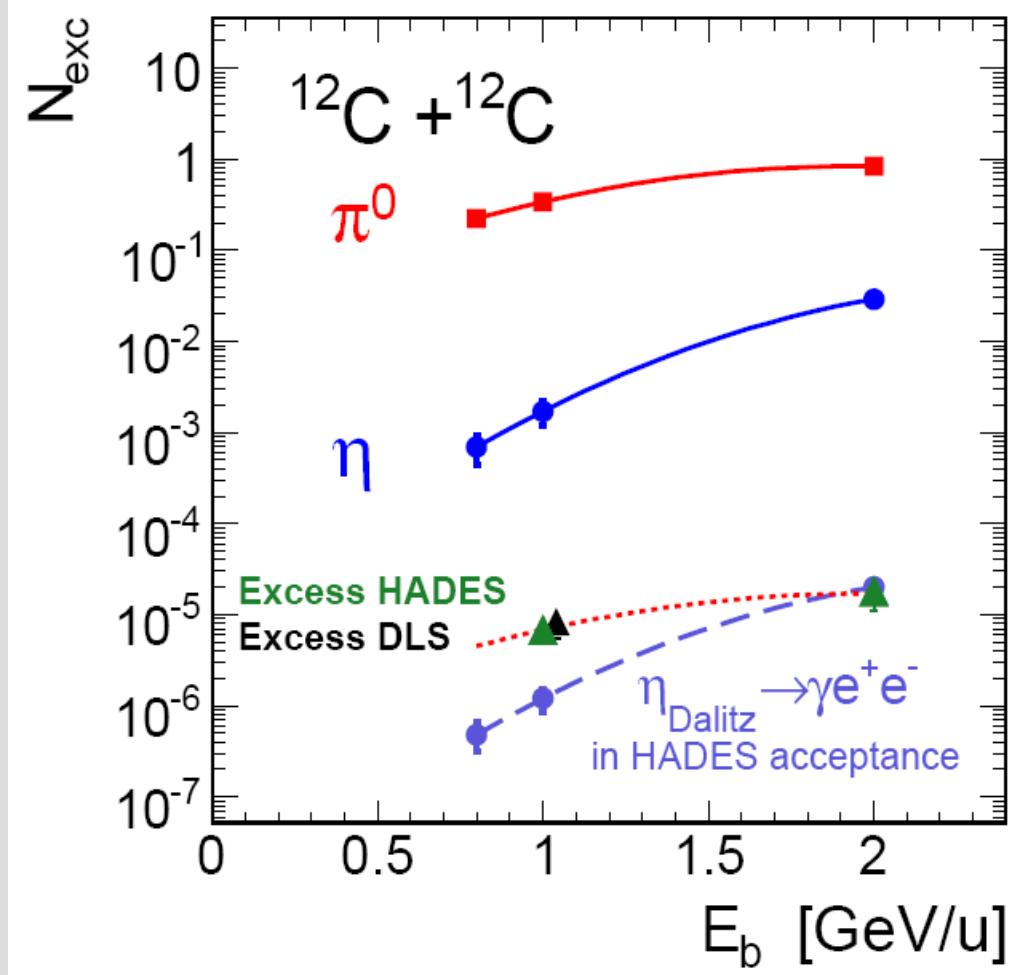
HADES vs DLS

- DLS data confirmed by HADES
- Conclusion: No „DLS“ puzzle
- What else could explain the enhancement?





HADES „Scaling Law“



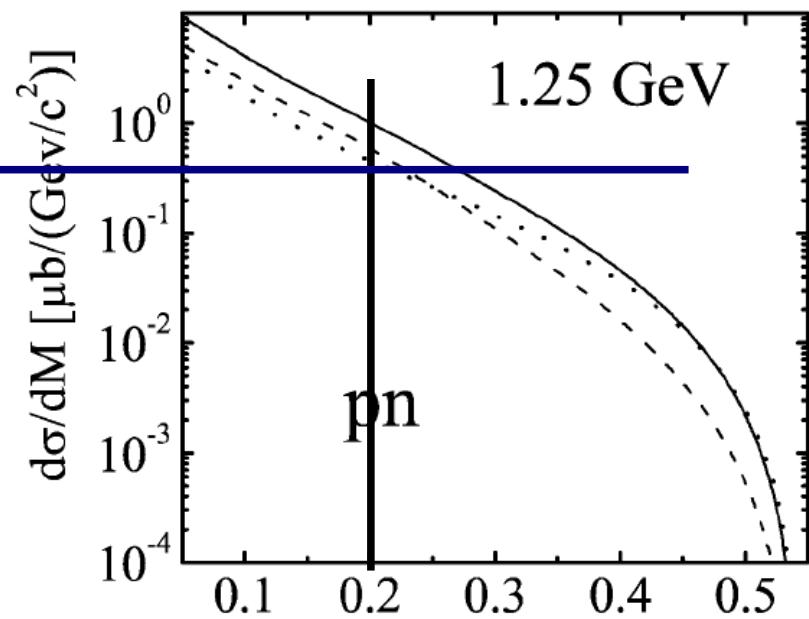
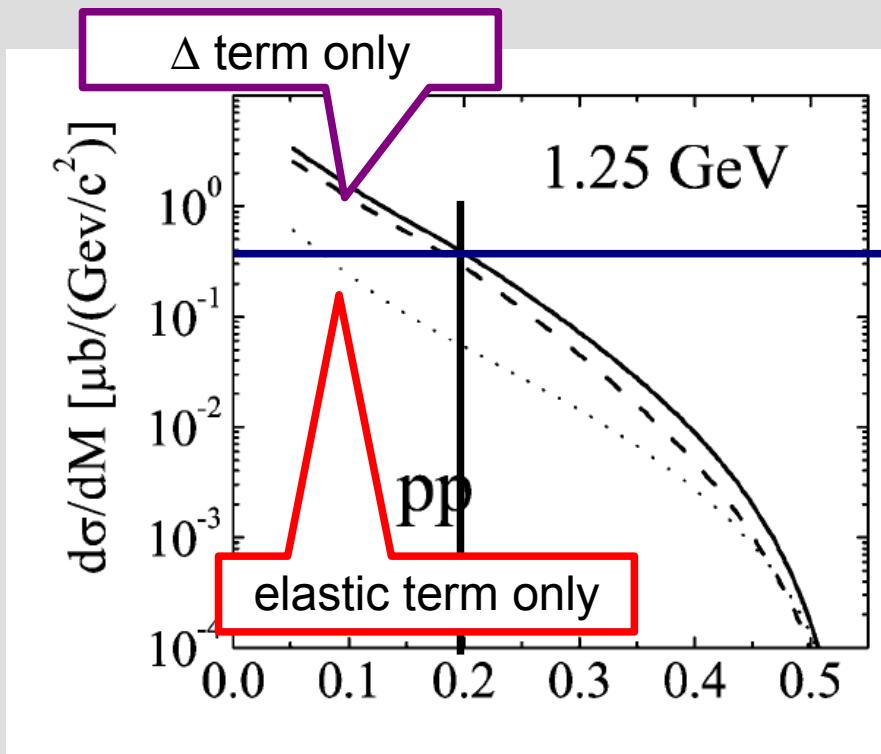
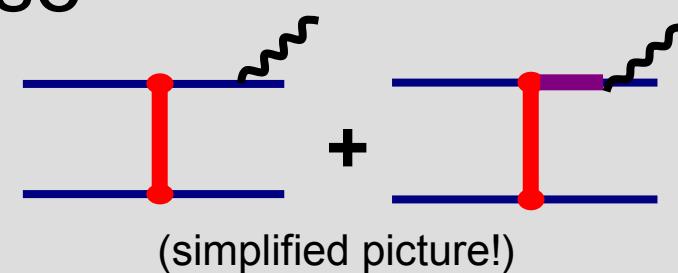
- Enhancement scales like π^0 production
- Pions are produced via (mainly Δ) resonances
 - Additional radiation stems from resonances
 - Would underline the role of „resonant matter“



pn + Δ treatment

- Recent calculation [1] of NN bremsstrahlung + Δ
- Enhancement in the pn case

[1] Kaptari, Kämpfer, NPA 764 (2006) 338

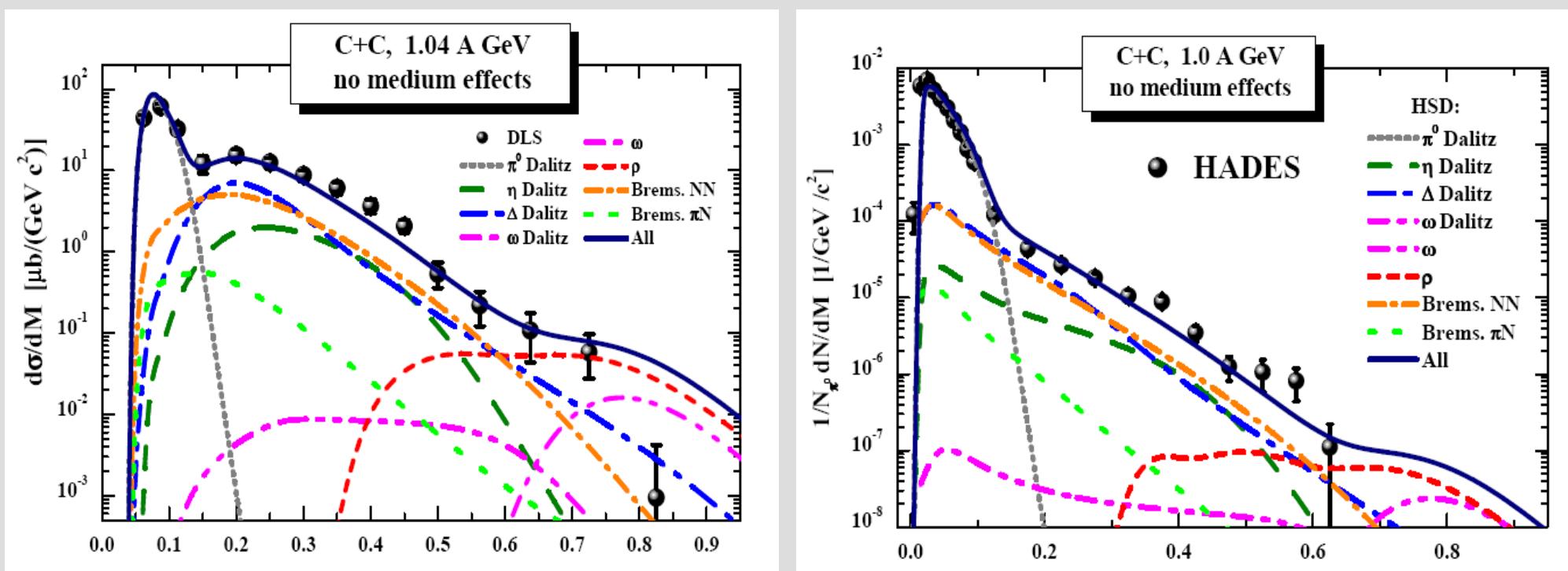




Up-to date Transport [1] for 1 AGeV

- Does larger pn Bremsstrahlung [2] explain excess?

[1] HSD: E.L. Bratkovskaya and W. Cassing arXiv:0712.0635v1 and private communication
[2] L.P. Kaptari and B. Kämpfer, Nucl.Phys. A 764 (2006) 338
[3] DLS Data: R.J. Porter et al. Phys.Rev.Lett. 79 (1997) 1229



- Needs verification in NN collisions!



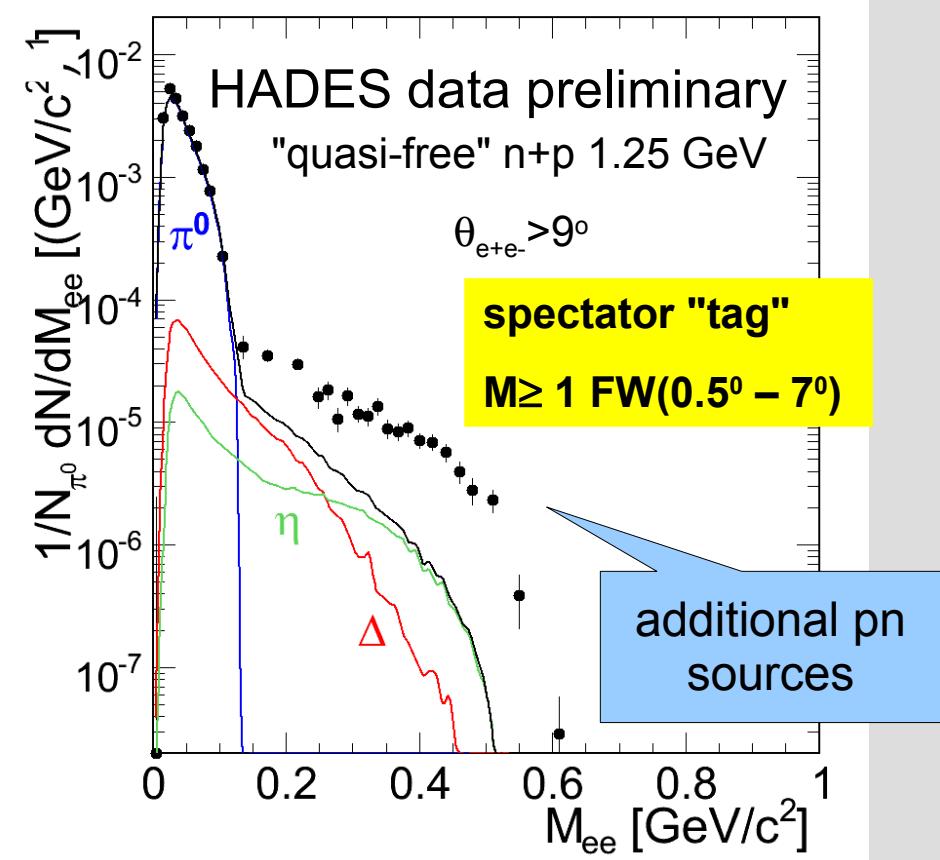
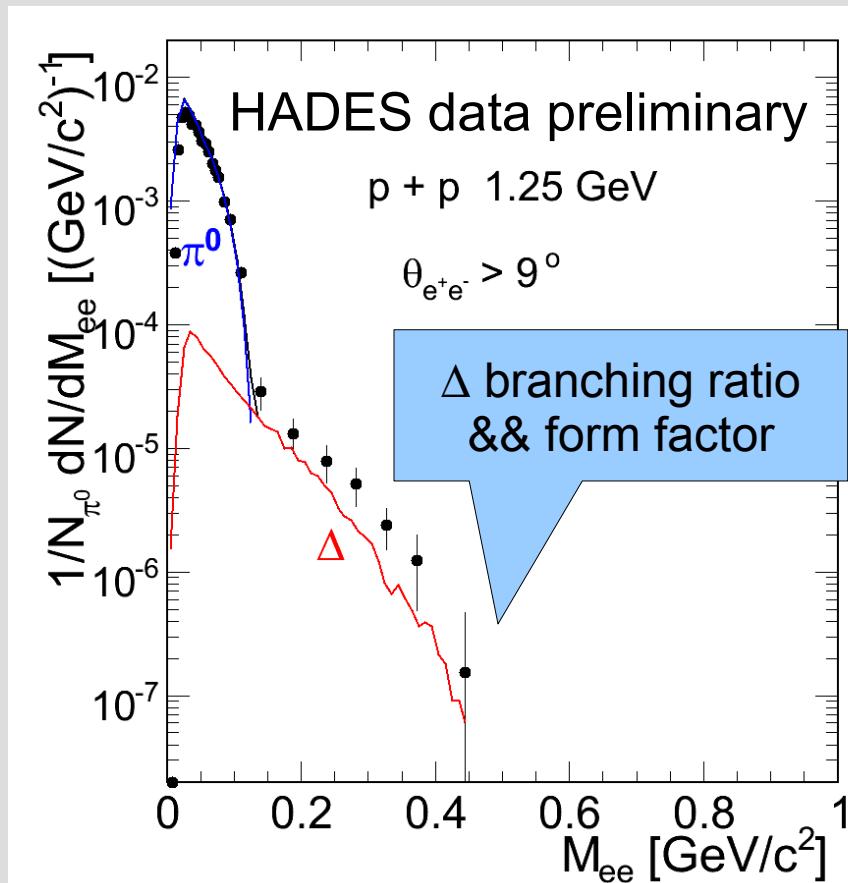
Elementary collisions with HADES

The „Low-Mass“ Puzzle



Di-Leptons from pp/dp at 1.25(A)GeV

- Δ fixed by isospin (assuming π^0 via Δ only)
- pp case: below η threshold
- pn: η contribution est. by COSY/Saturne data

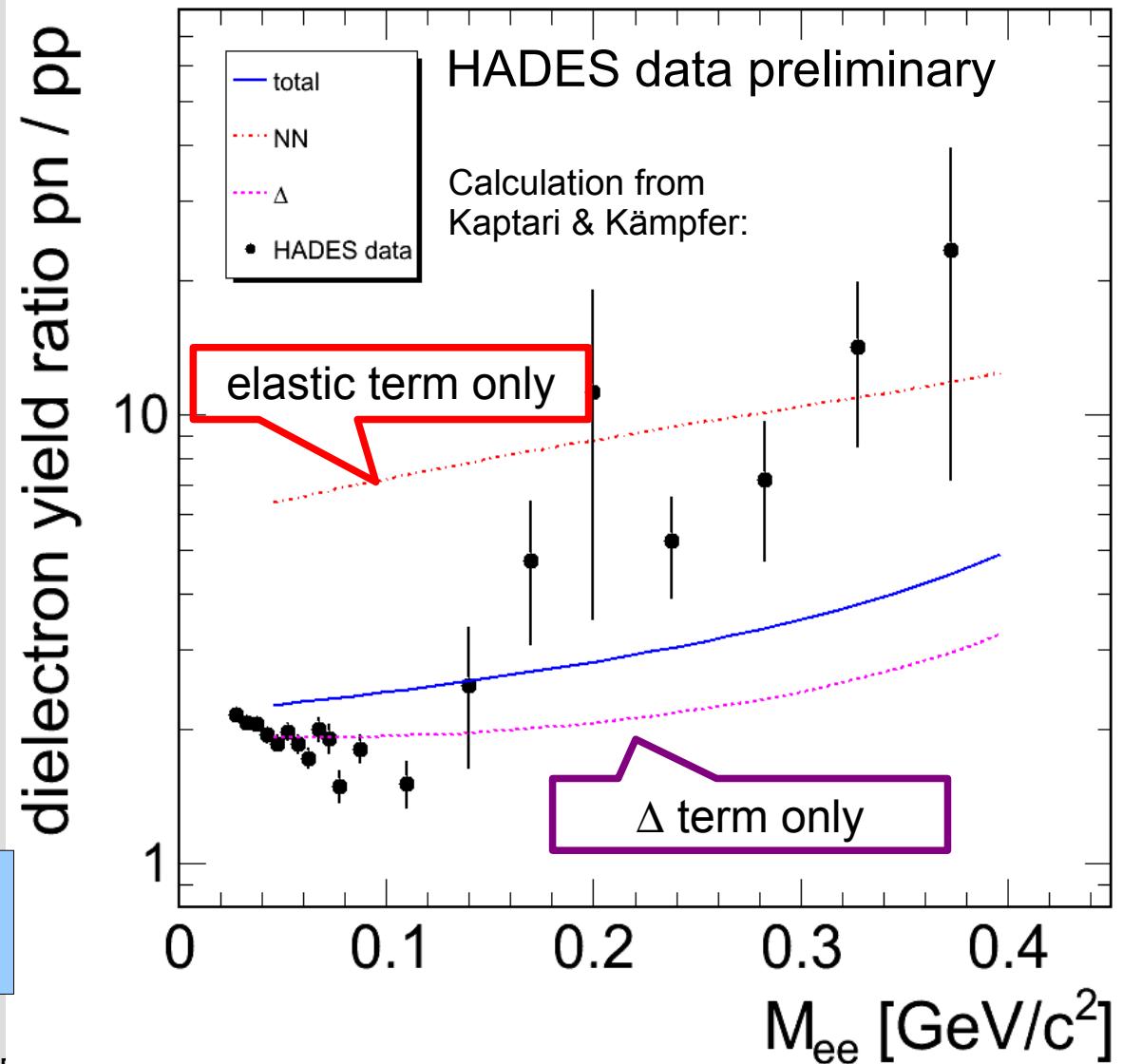




Ratio pp/pn

- OBE calculation from Kaptari is not sufficient
- Hint for additional off-shell resonances?

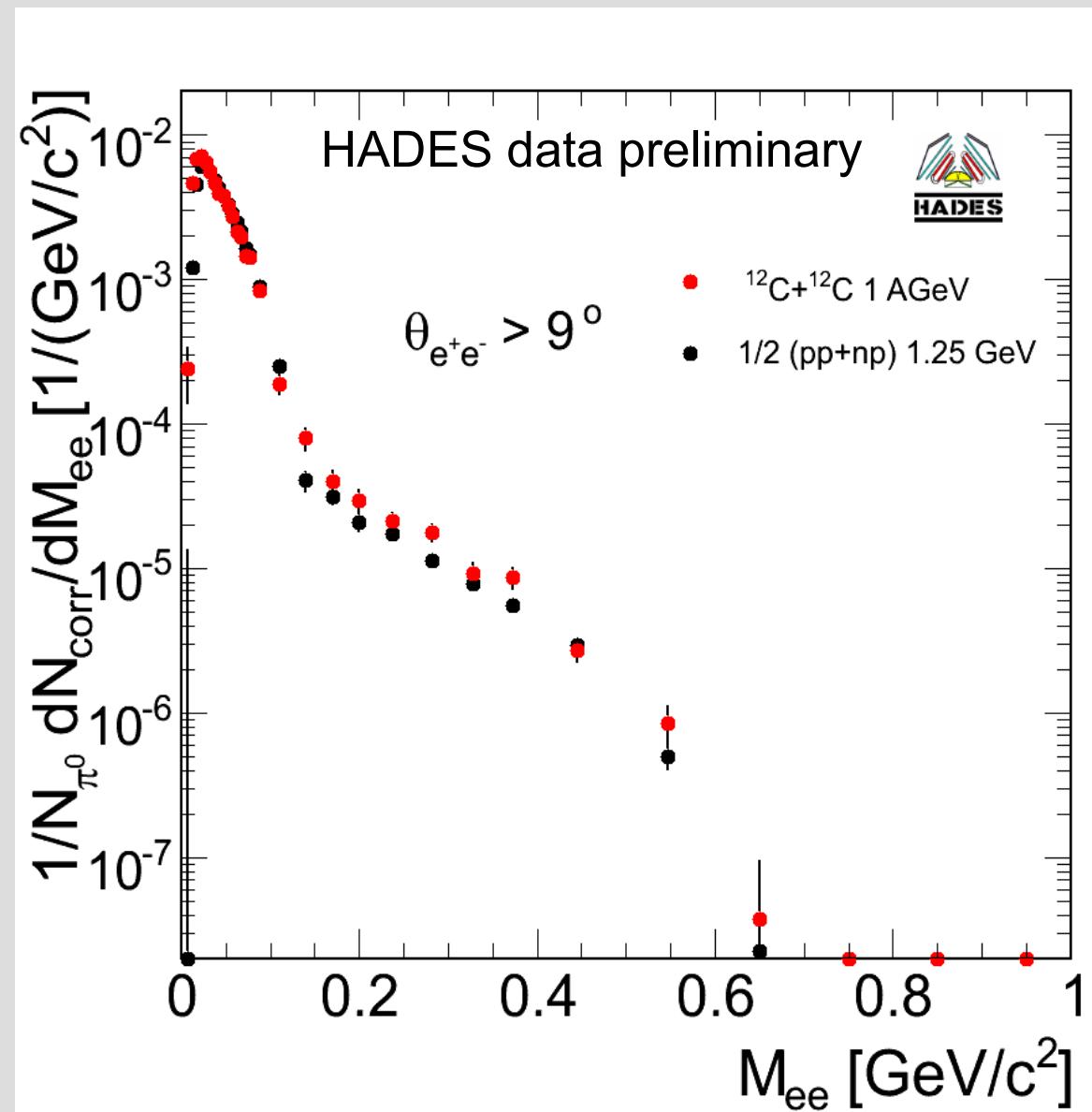
see talk of T. Galatyuk,
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C+C vs. pp/pn

- Elementary reactions (1.25GeV)
- Compared to C+C data at 1 AGeV
- C+C data almost explained by pure NN interactions



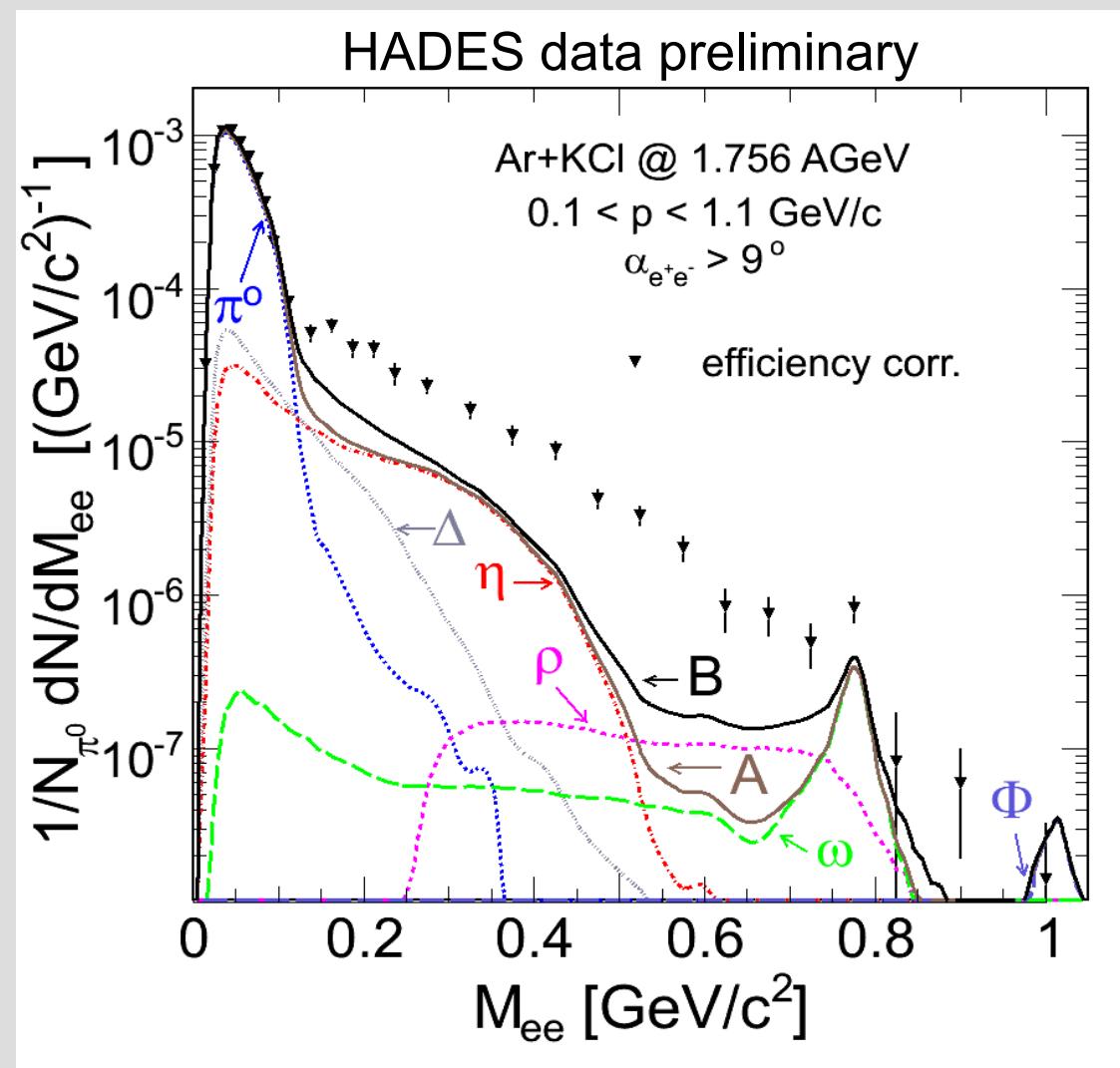


Vector Meson Production with HADES (High-Mass Resolution)



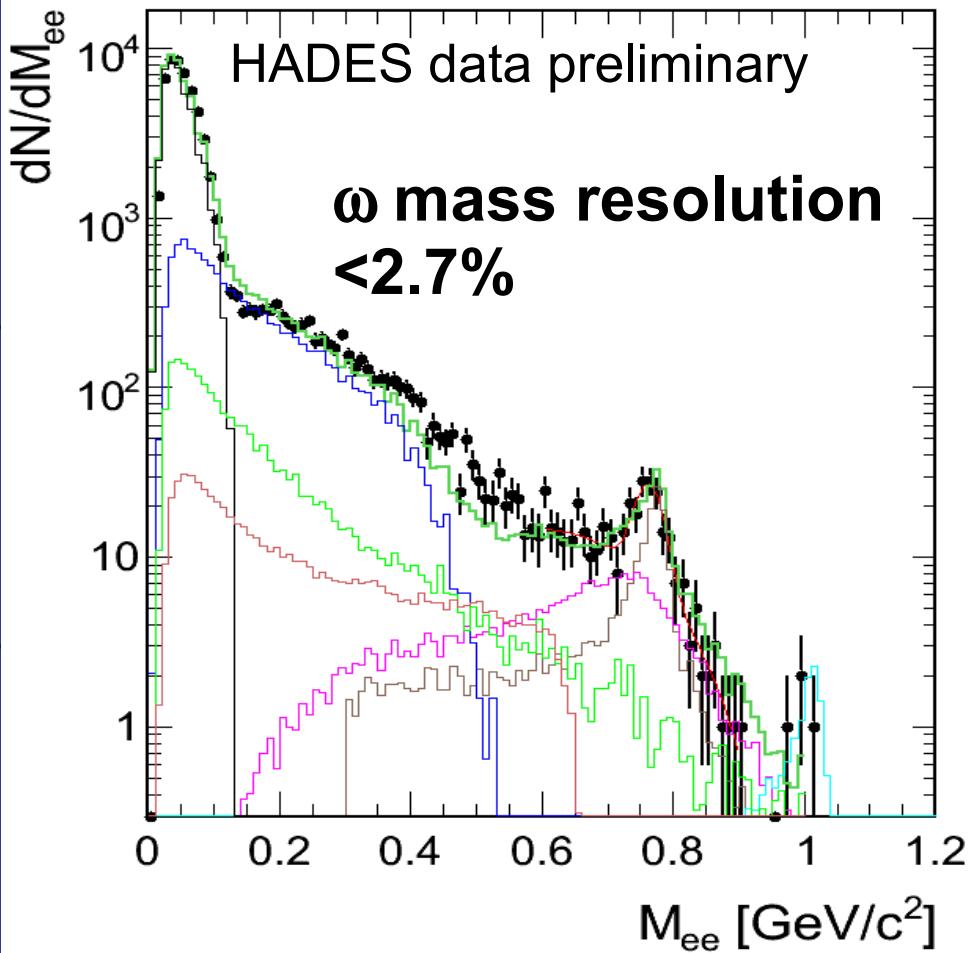
Ar+KCl @ 1.756 AGeV

- Higher mass resolution
- Good statistics of pairs above 0.5 GeV
- Large excess over Pluto cocktail in the mass region 0.15-0.6 GeV
- ω peak
→ first time at SIS/
Bevalac energy regime





pp @ 3.5 GeV (Apr 07)



- ρ mass shape
 - Production mechanisms
 - Resonance model
- ω line shape
 - Reference to p+Nb done at the same energy
- Inclusive vector meson production
 - ω factor 2 lower than prediction [1]

[1] see: E.L. Bratkovskaya and W. Cassing P.Rpt. 308 (1999) 65



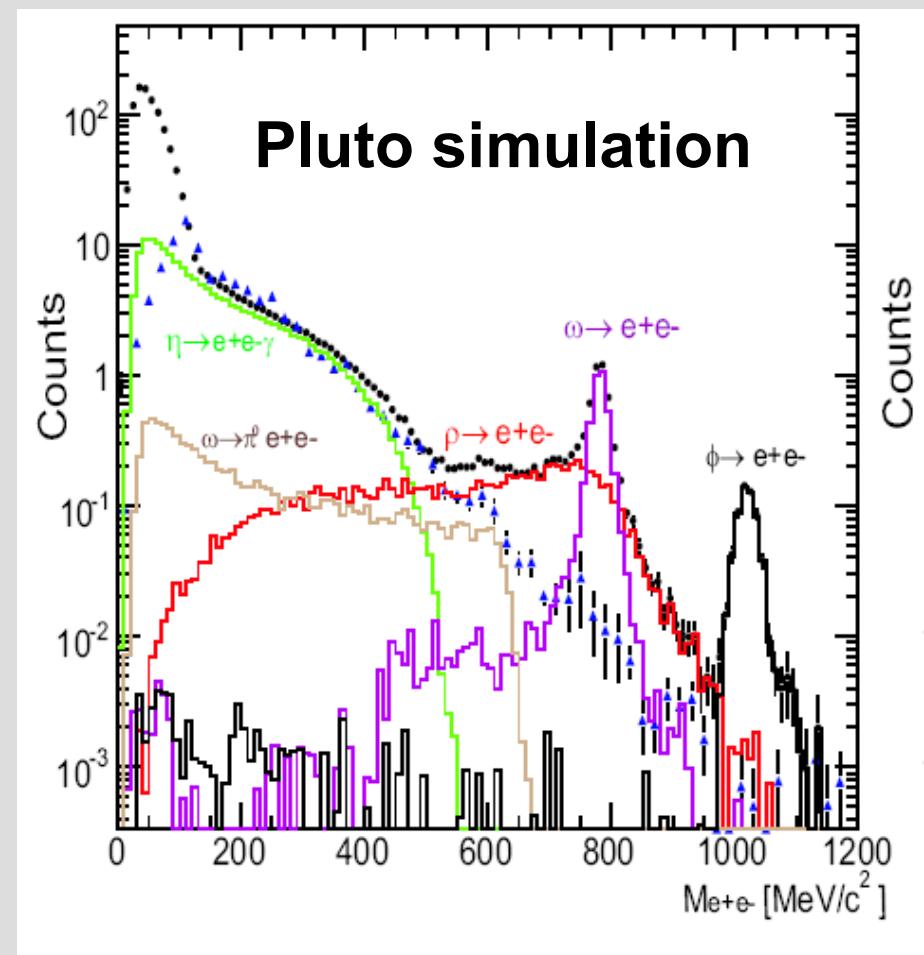
Outlook



p + Nb Experiment

...coming soon...

- Sep/Oct 2008
- Exp. situation at normal nuclear density
 - Not conclusive
 - Verification needed
- Same target as CB/Taps (Nb)
- Same energy as HADES pp (3.5 GeV)
 - Model-independent extraction of modifications

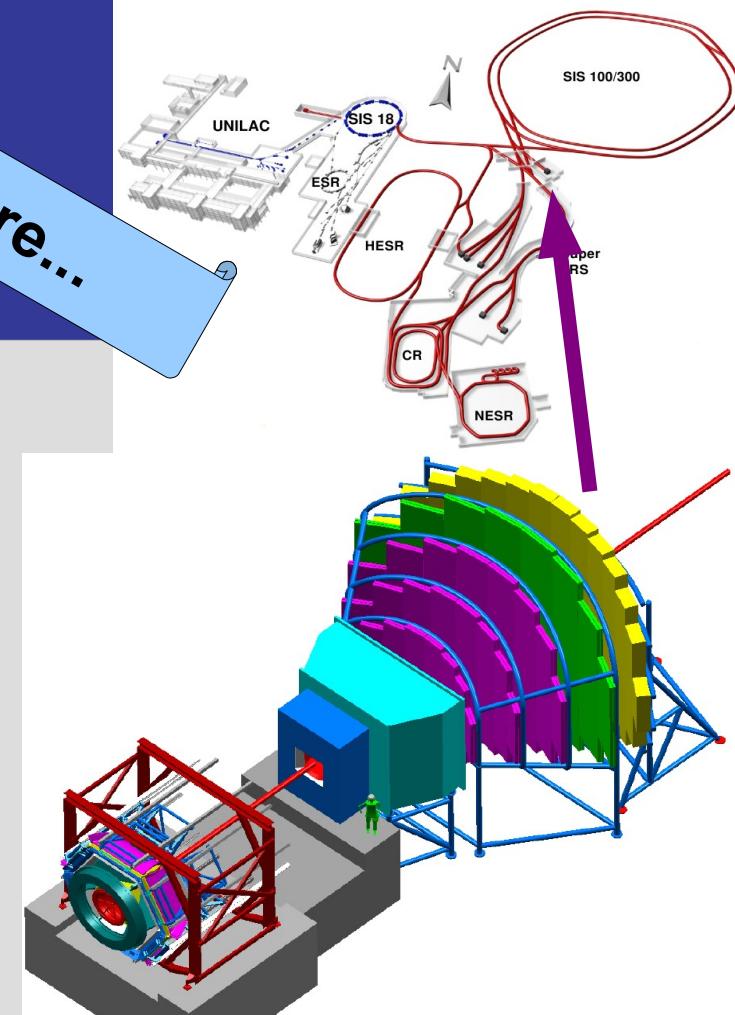
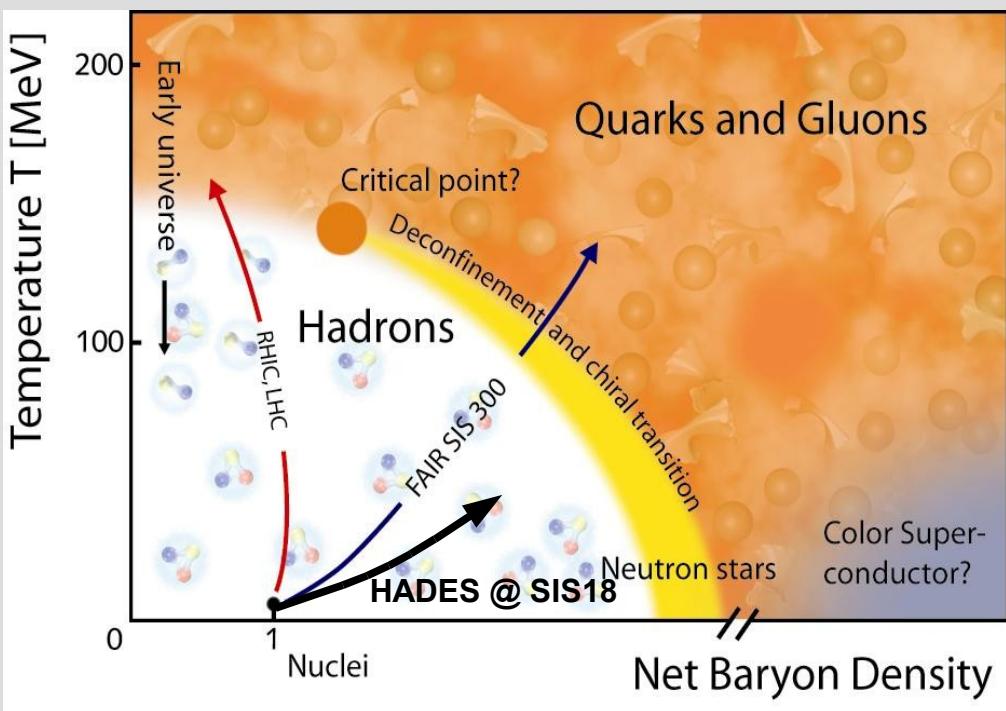




HADES @ FAIR

...future...

- 2-40 GeV: terra incognita ($>8\text{AGeV}$ covered by CBM)
- Transition from resonance matter to pionic environment



- **HADES upgrade:**
 - Forward wall
 - Data acquisition
 - High granularity RPC replaces Tofino
 - RICH modification

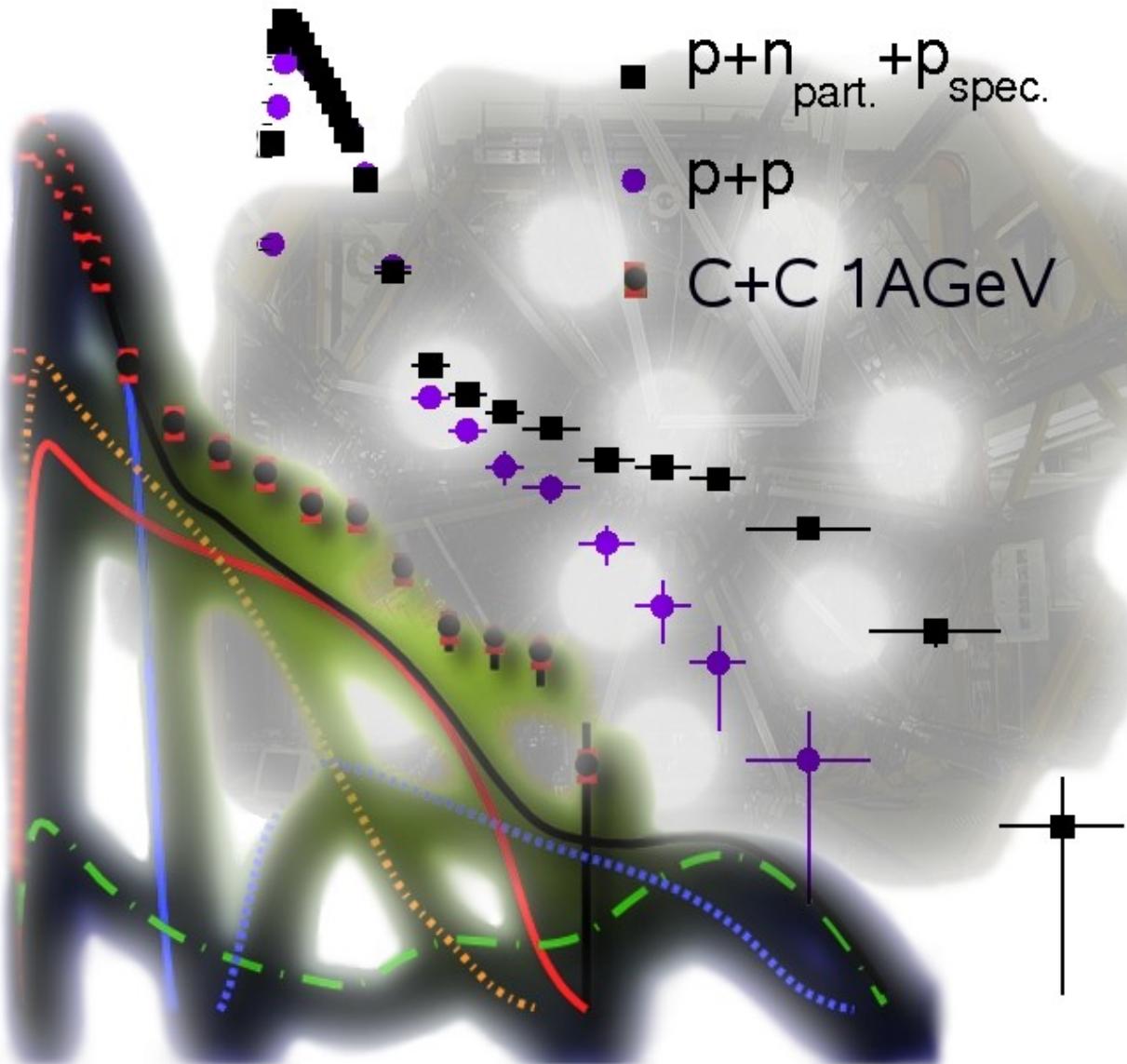


Summary

- Di-Lepton spectroscopy with HADES
- Comprehensive program:
- Heavy ion reactions
 - C+C (low resolution) at 1/2AGeV
 - Ar+KCl (high resolution) at 1.756AGeV: ω clearly seen
- Elementary reactions
 - p+p and n+p at 1.25 GeV
 - Sufficient to describe C+C at 1AGeV
 - p+p at 3.5 GeV (ω mass shape)
- Outlook:
 - p+A at 3.5 GeV (vector meson modifications)
 - Heavier systems (Au+Au, Ni+Ni)



The Collaboration



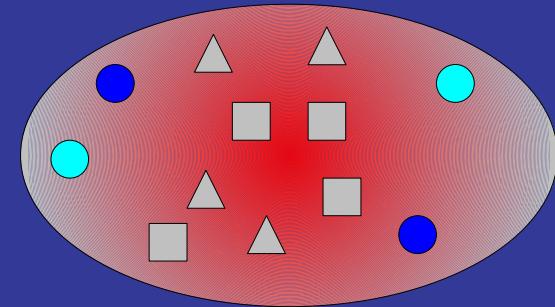
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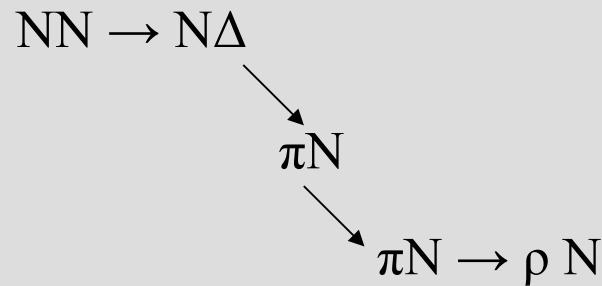
Backup



High Density Phase



multi step processes: i.e.



- Particle production at or below threshold
- $\rho \rightarrow e^+e^-$ decay inside fireball
- Direct access to in-medium properties

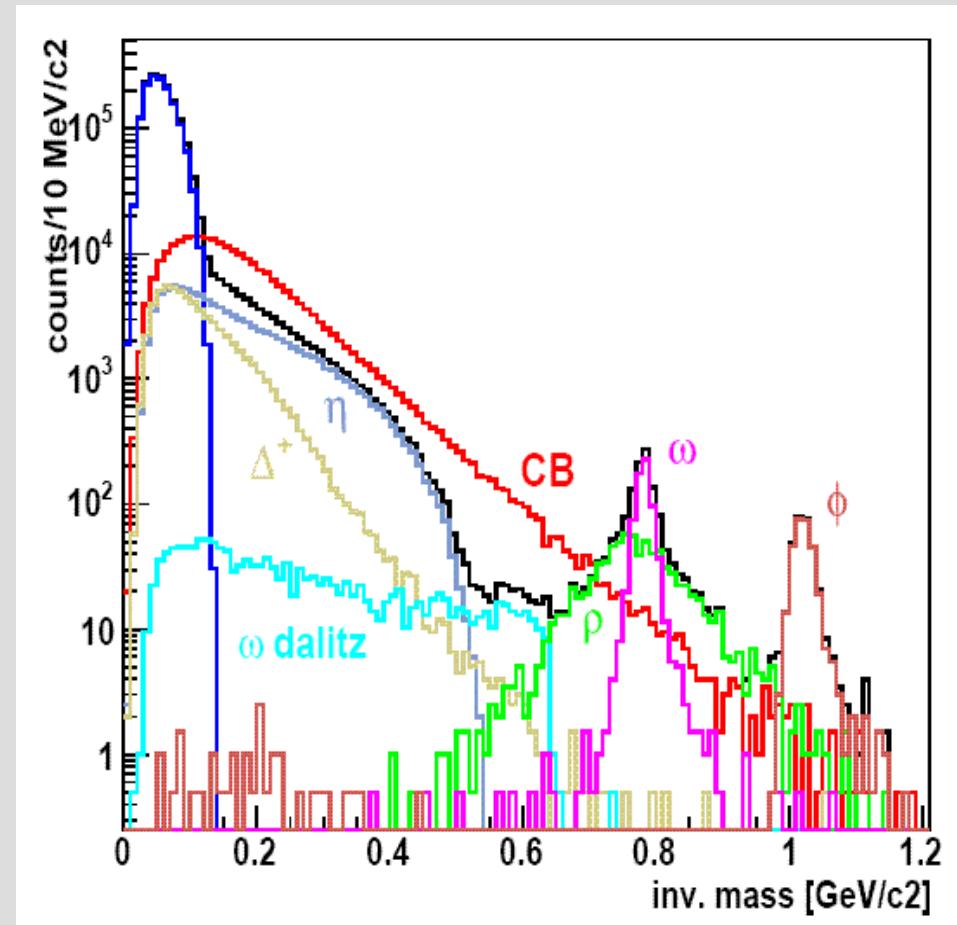
Rare probes at bombarding energies of 1 – 2 AGeV !!!

Meson	Mass (MeV/c ²)	Γ (MeV/c ²)	$c\tau$ (fm)	Main decay	e ⁺ e ⁻ BR
ρ	768	152	1.3	$\pi^+\pi^-$	4.4×10^{-5}
ω	782	8.43	23.4	$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	7.2×10^{-5}
ϕ	1019	4.43	44.4	K^+K^-	3.1×10^{-4}



Cocktail

- Consequence:
- long-lived particles (π , η , ω) have no uncertainty
- Subtract „trivial“ sources to get ρ mass shape

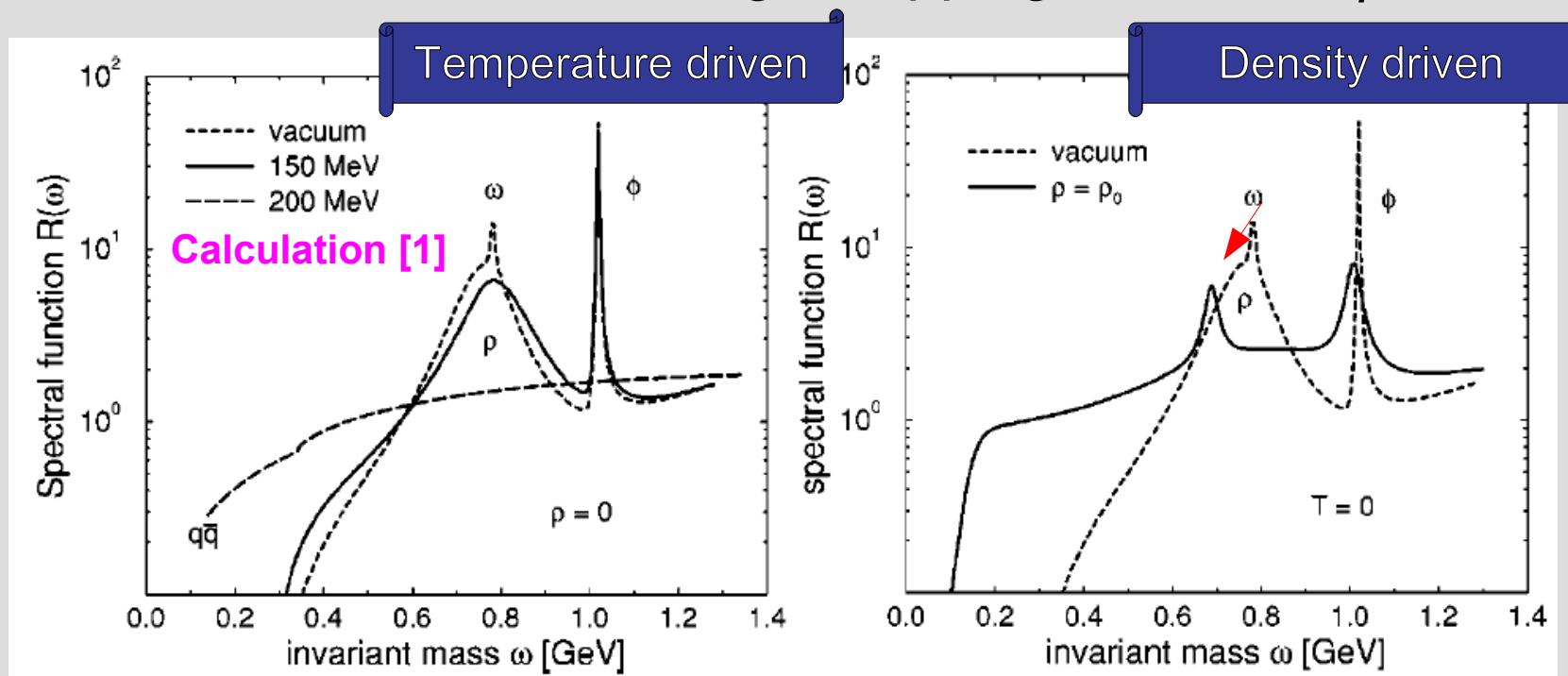




Vector Mesons in Medium

- Hadrons
 - Expected to change properties in dense medium (e.g. mass, width)
 - Vector mesons: controversial discussion
 - Brown/Rho scaling: Dropping mass of ω, ρ

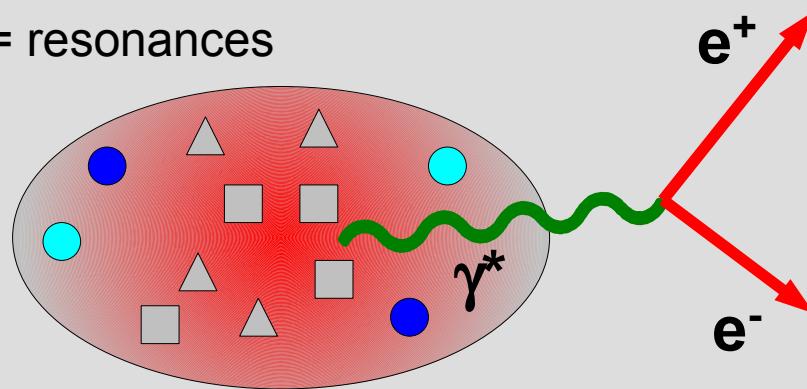
[1] T. Renk et al., PRC 66 (2002) 014902



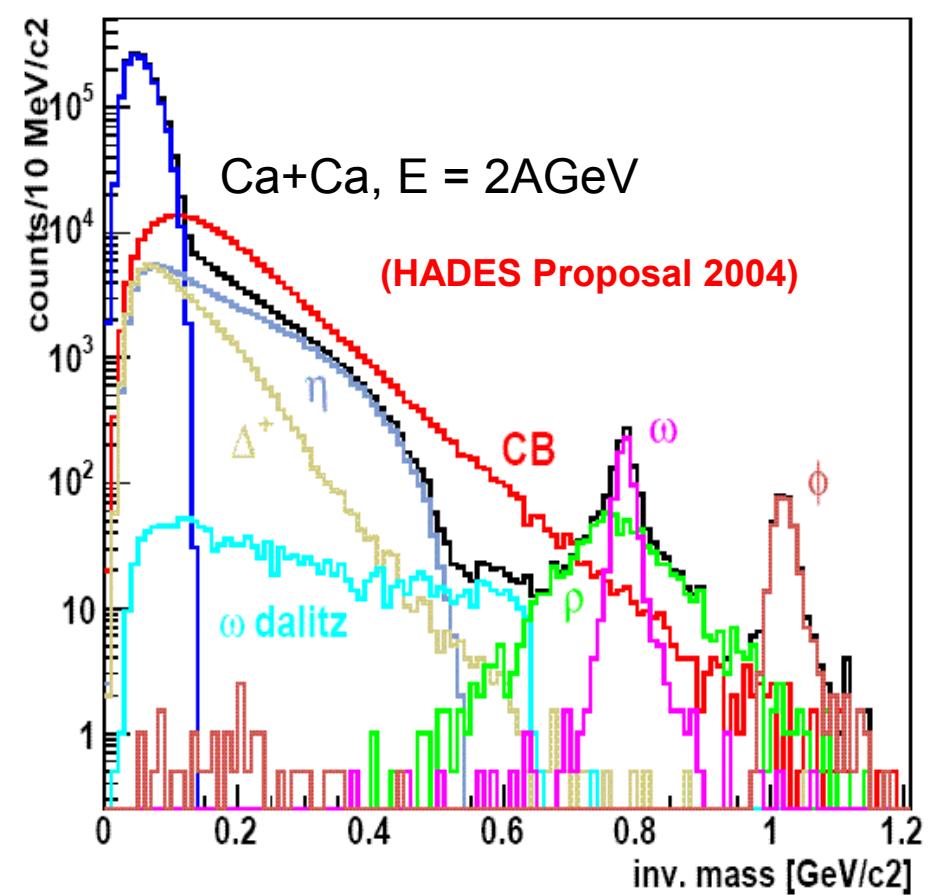


Continuum

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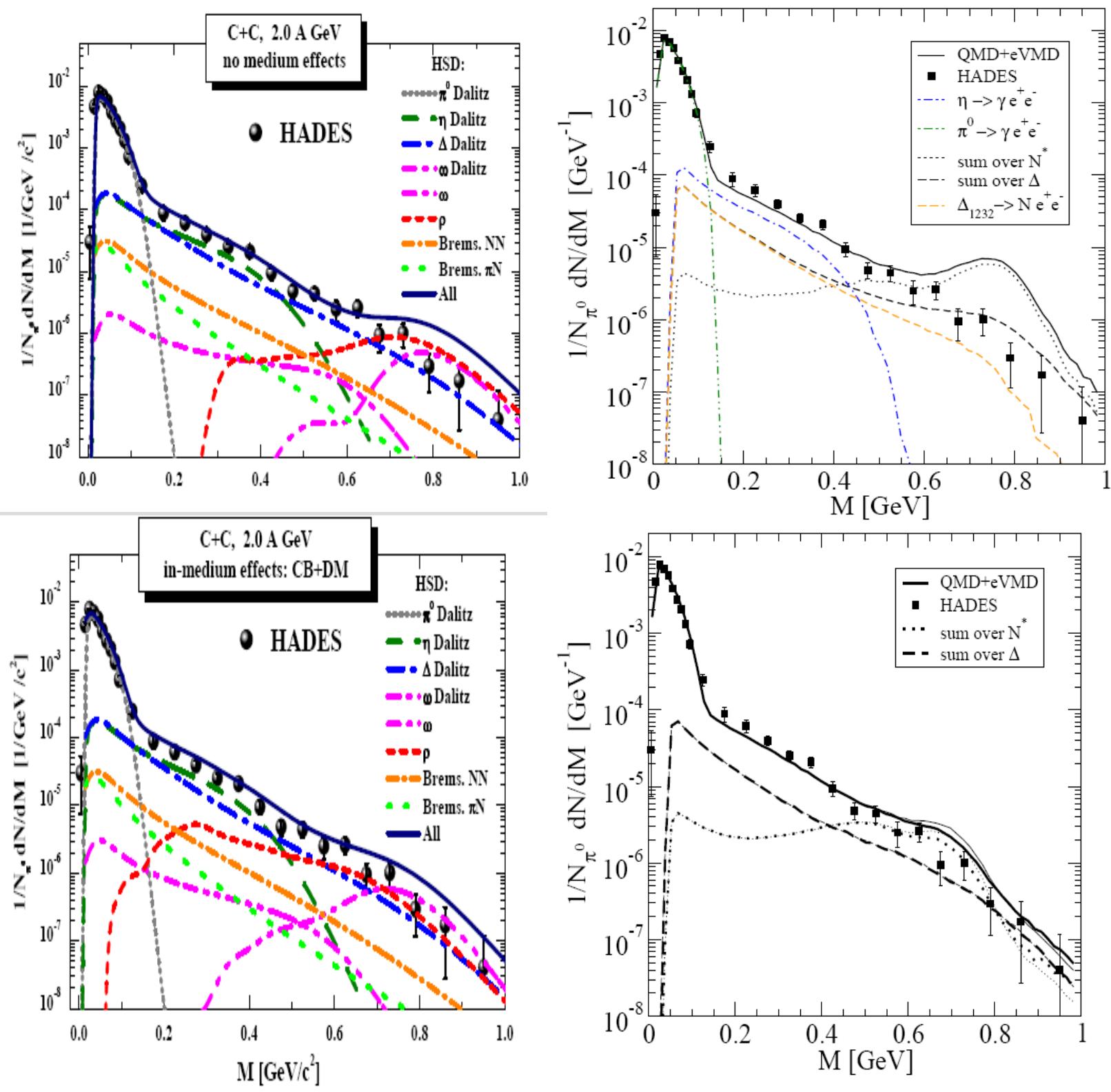


- Continuum dilepton sources: $\pi^0, \eta, \omega, \Delta$
 - $\pi^0/\eta \rightarrow \gamma e^+ e^-$
 - $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+ e^-$
 - $\Delta \rightarrow N e^+ e^-$



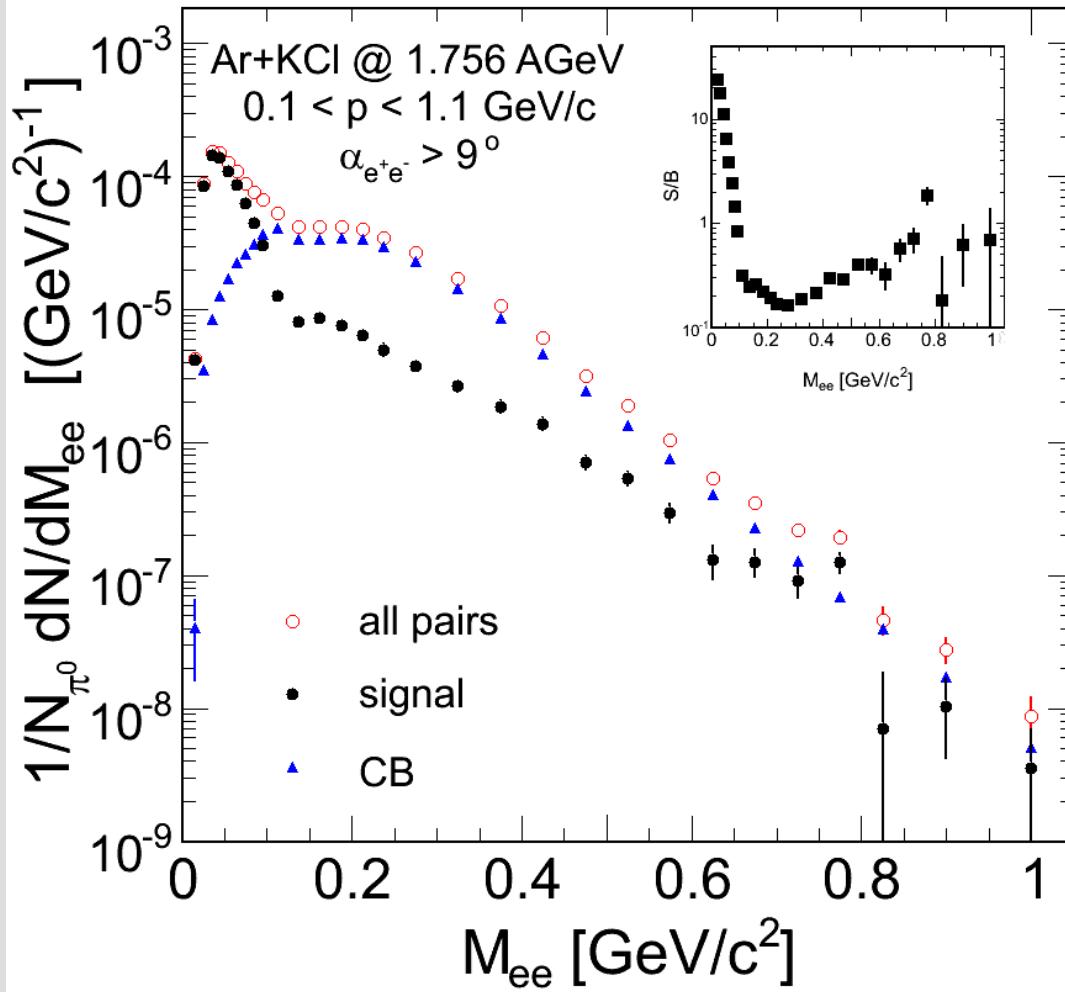


[1] E. Santini et al
arXiv:0804.3702





PRELIMINARY





Excess above η :

$$F = \frac{Y_{tot}}{Y_\eta}$$

C+C @ 1 AGeV

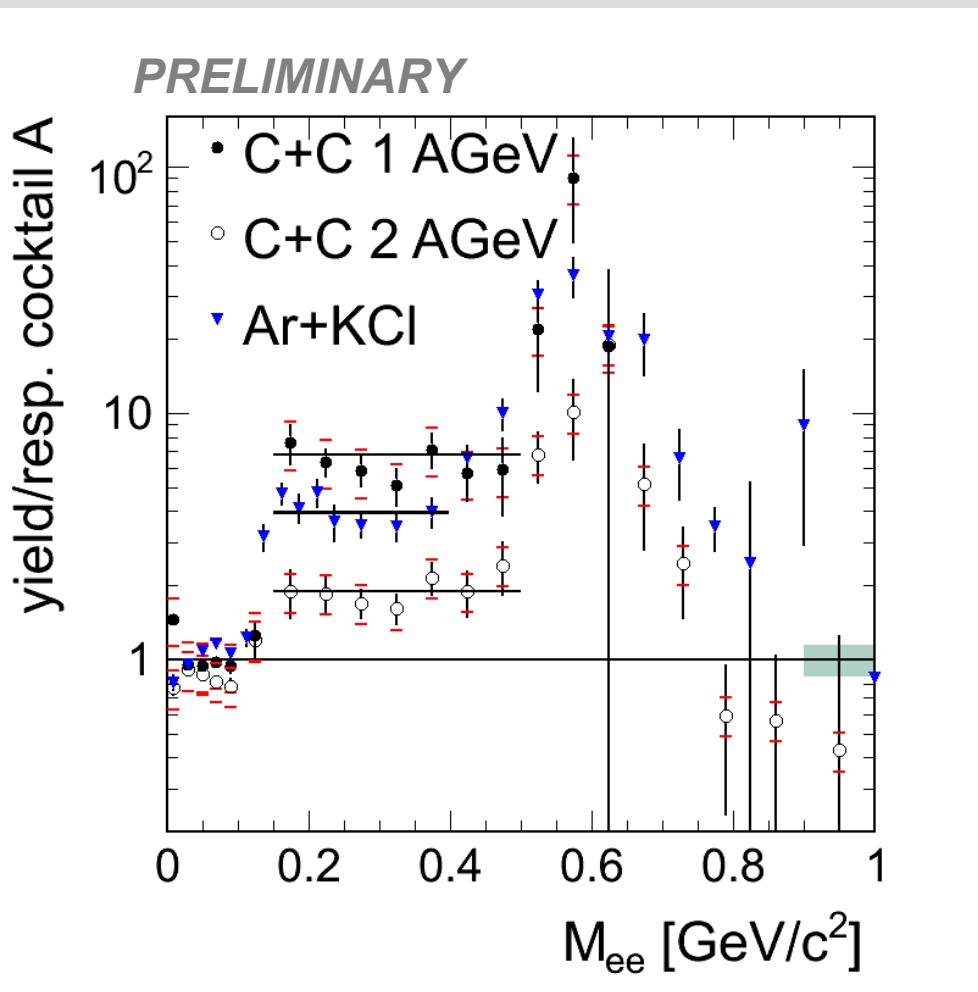
F=6.8 ± 0.6 (stat) ± 1.3 (sys) ± 2.0 (η)

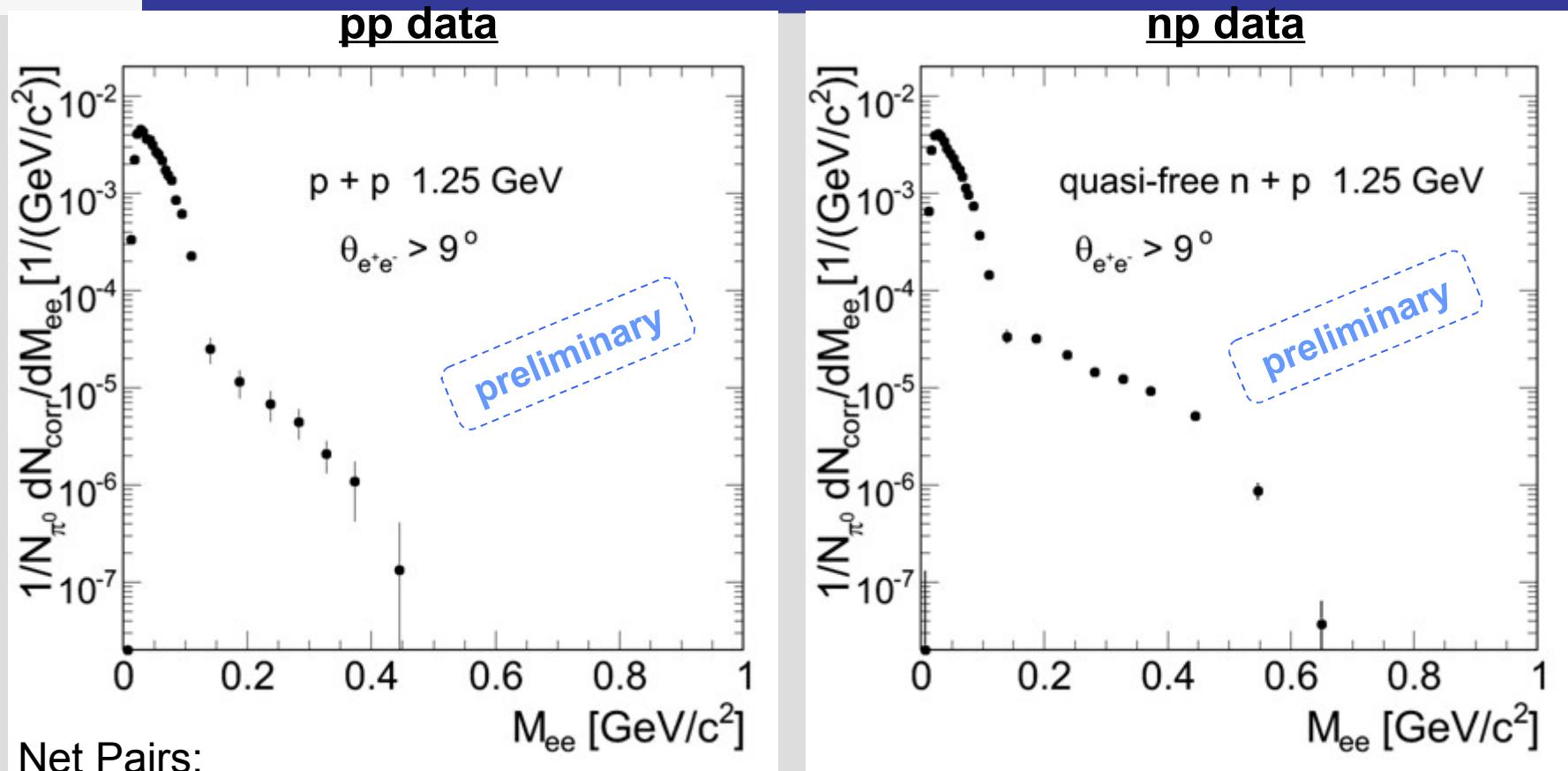
C+C @ 2 AGeV

F=1.9 ± 0.2 (stat) ± 0.3 (sys) ± 0.3 (η)

Ar+KCl @ 1.756 AGeV (prelim.)

F=4.3 ± 0.2 (stat) ± 1.3 (sys) ± 1.0 (η)





Total systematic error is about 28 %

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{efficiency correction } \sim 20\% \\ \text{normalization to } \pi^0 \sim 20\% \end{array} \right\}$



Thermal model

- Elementary collisions & ***heavy ion reactions*** in one tool → Pluto

- Thermal model: Particles

produced with Boltzmann distribution $\frac{dN}{dE} \propto p E e^{\frac{-E}{T}}$

- Options: 2 temperatures, radial flow

- Anisotropic sampling

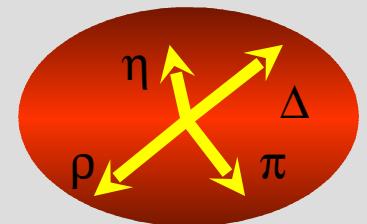
$$\frac{dN}{d\Omega} \propto 1 + A_2 \cos^2 \theta_{cm} + A_4 \cos^2 \theta_{cm}$$

A_1, A_2, T_1, T_2 are free parameters

- Broad mesons & resonance

$$\frac{d^2 N}{dEdM} \propto \text{Boltzmann}(E) * \text{BreitWigner}(M), E \geq M$$

Mass sampling





Mass sampling of hadrons

- Spectral shape of collision products (e.g. N^*1535): Breit Wigner

$$\frac{dN}{dM} \propto \frac{M^2 \Gamma_{tot}(M)}{(M^2 - M_0^2)^2 + M^2 \Gamma_{tot}^2(M)}$$

Here, q, q_0 are
fixed by m_1, m_2

- Decay into stable hadrons $N^* \rightarrow p\pi$

$$\Gamma_{m_0, m_1, m_2}(M) = \Gamma_0 \frac{M_0}{M} \left(\frac{q}{q_0} \right)^{2l+1} \left(\frac{q_p^2 + \delta^2}{q^2 + \delta^2} \right), \quad \Gamma_{tot} = \sum \Gamma_i$$

- Unstable products: fold & integrate over m

$$\Gamma_i = \int_{m_{min}}^{m-m_2} \frac{dN}{dM} p_{cm}(m, m_1, m_2) \Gamma_{m_2}(m, m_1)$$

consequences:
 • have to take all BRs into account
 • recursive width calculation



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- HADES upgrade:
- Forward wall for spectators (done)
- Data acquisition (ongoing)
- High granularity RPC replaces Tofino (ongoing)
- RICH modification to compensate boost

