

Heavy-Ion Physics

ALICE + Connections

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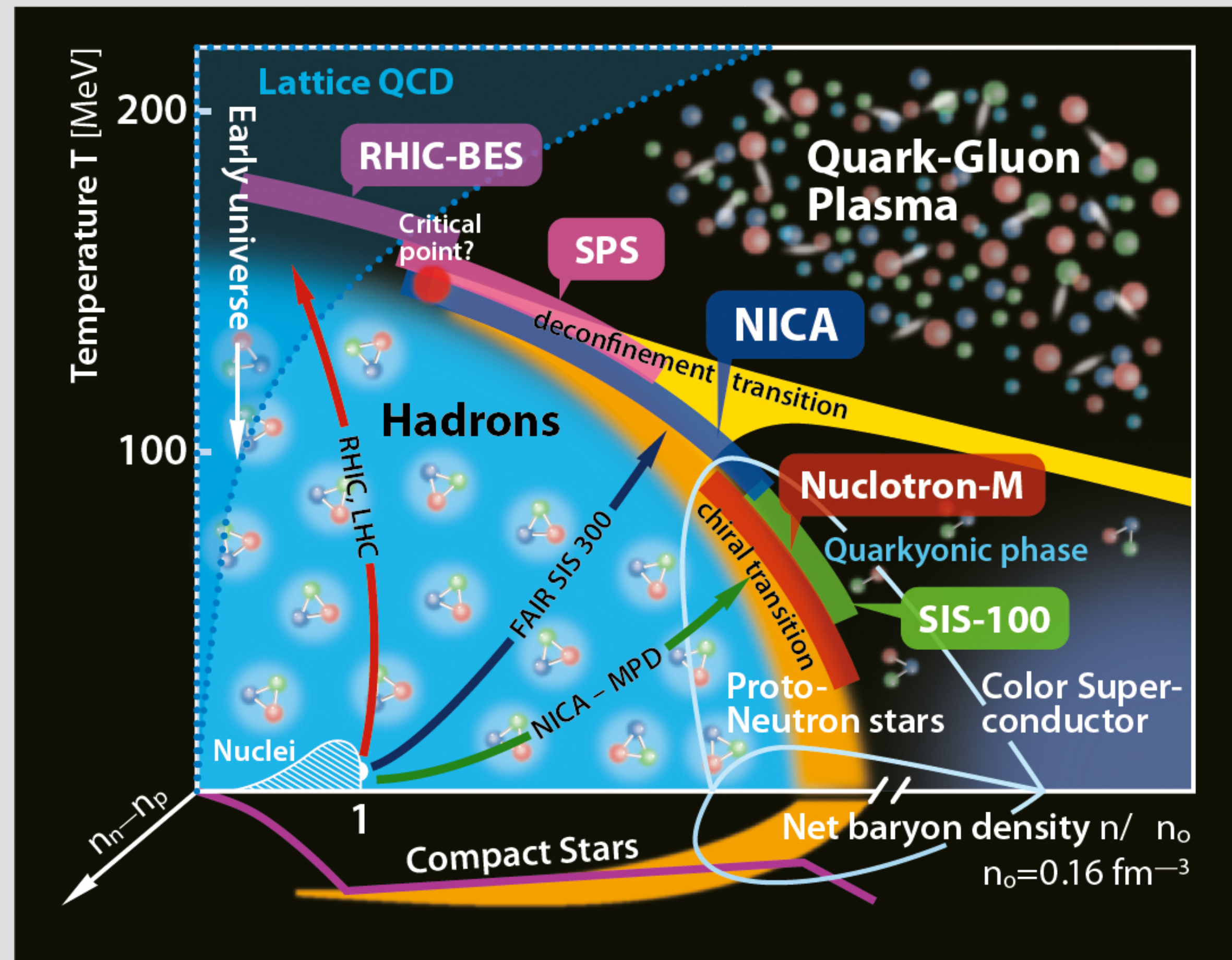


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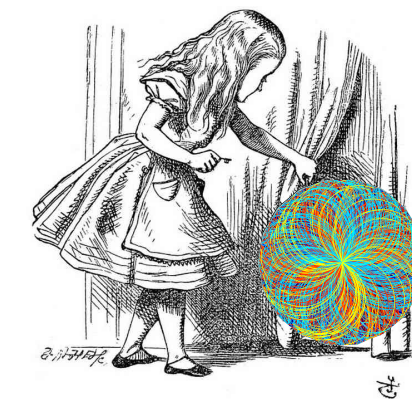
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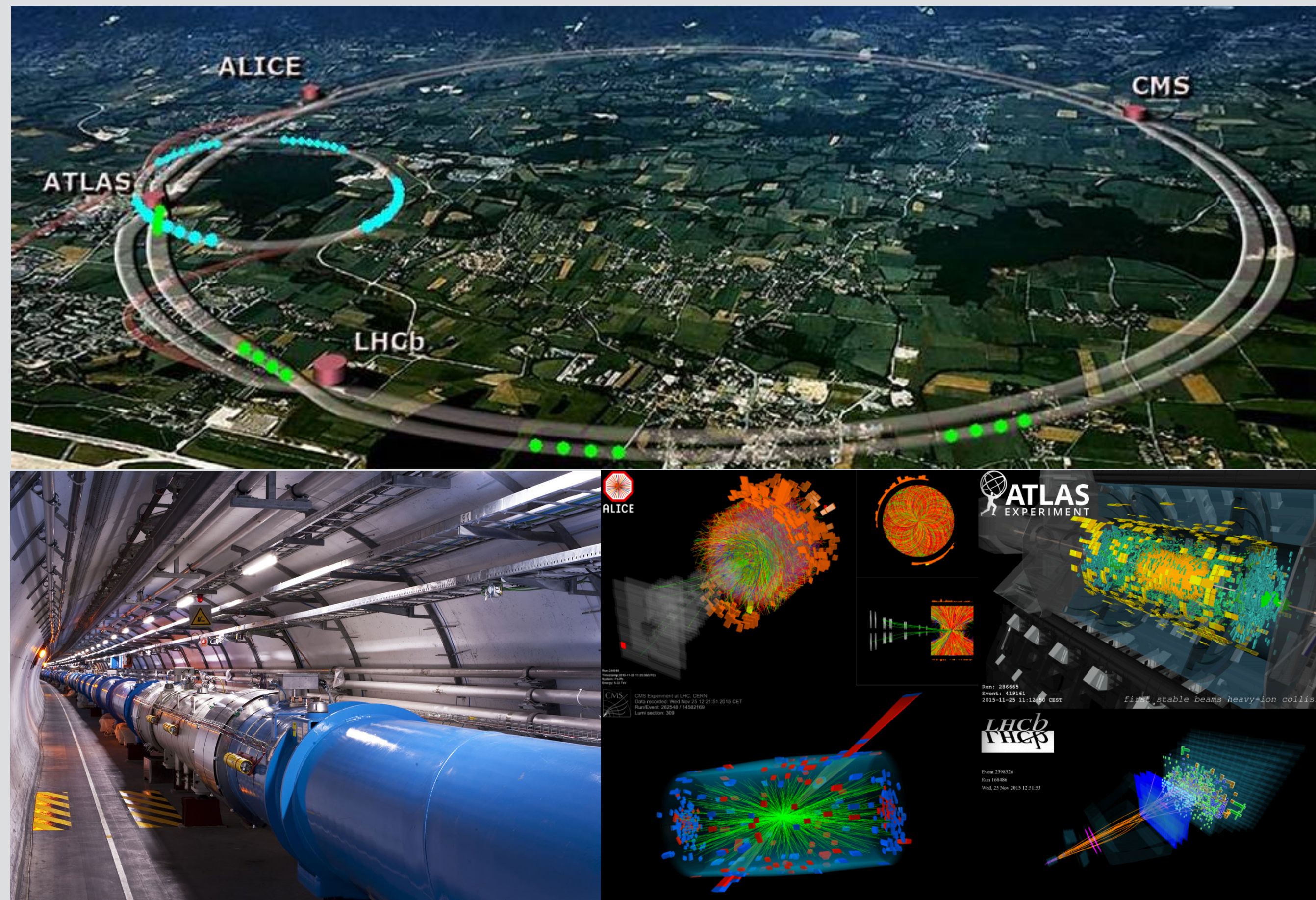
- Scientific Question: What happens to matter when you heat and compress it to extreme magnitudes which existed e.g. in the primordial universe?
- Lattice QCD predicts a phase transition to a quark-gluon-plasma at an energy density of about $1 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$ and at a temperature of about 10^{12} K
 - Temperatures 10^5 larger than the core of the sun (**connections:** early universe)
 - Magnetic fields of order 10^{18} Gauss (strongest magnetic fields known of order 10^8 in the lab and 10^{15} in nature (**connections:** neutron stars))
 - Low-x gluon matter (**connections:** EIC)



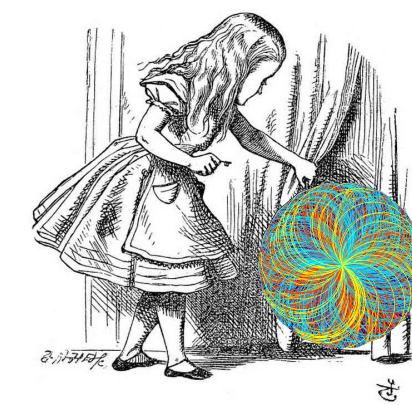
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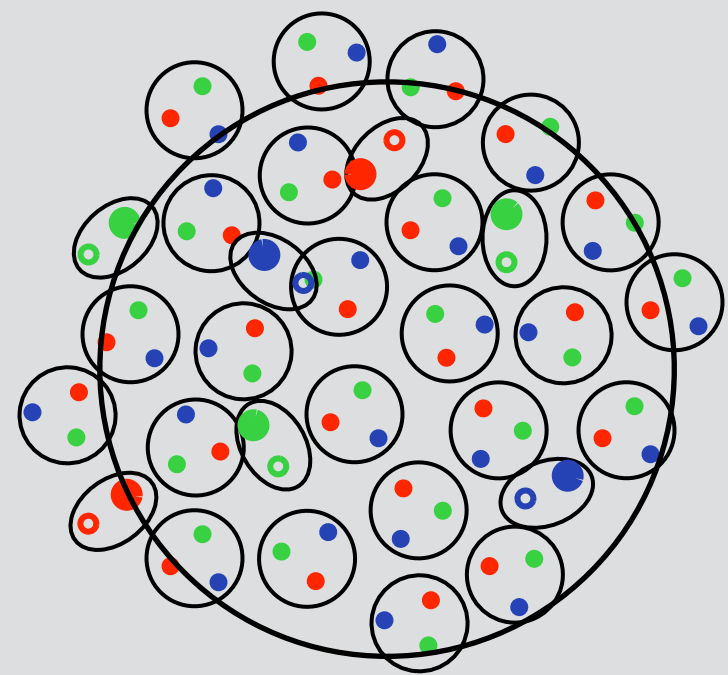
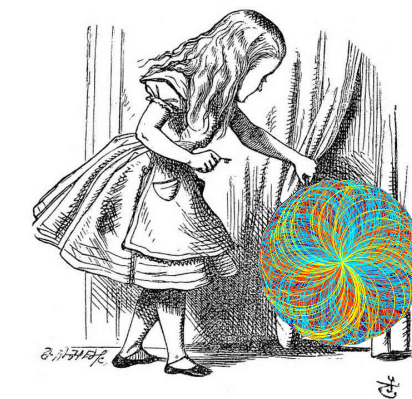
- The properties of the quark-gluon-plasma are in principle calculable from the QCD Lagrangian using lattice QCD
 - However, lattice QCD calculations are currently not yet advanced enough to calculate most dynamical properties
 - Develop new tools e.g. **connections**: AdS/CFT (Utrecht Theory Group)
- Create a hot and dense system in the lab for which hydrodynamics/thermodynamics applies
 - Collide heavy-ions at the highest possible energies
 - Measure what happens with state-of-the-art experimental setups



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Quark-Gluon Plasma
(deconfined)!



Independent quarks and gluons?

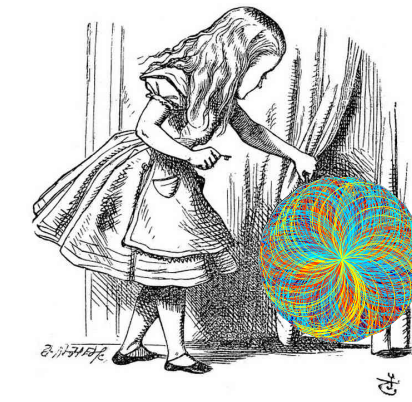


New emerging
collective degrees of
freedom?

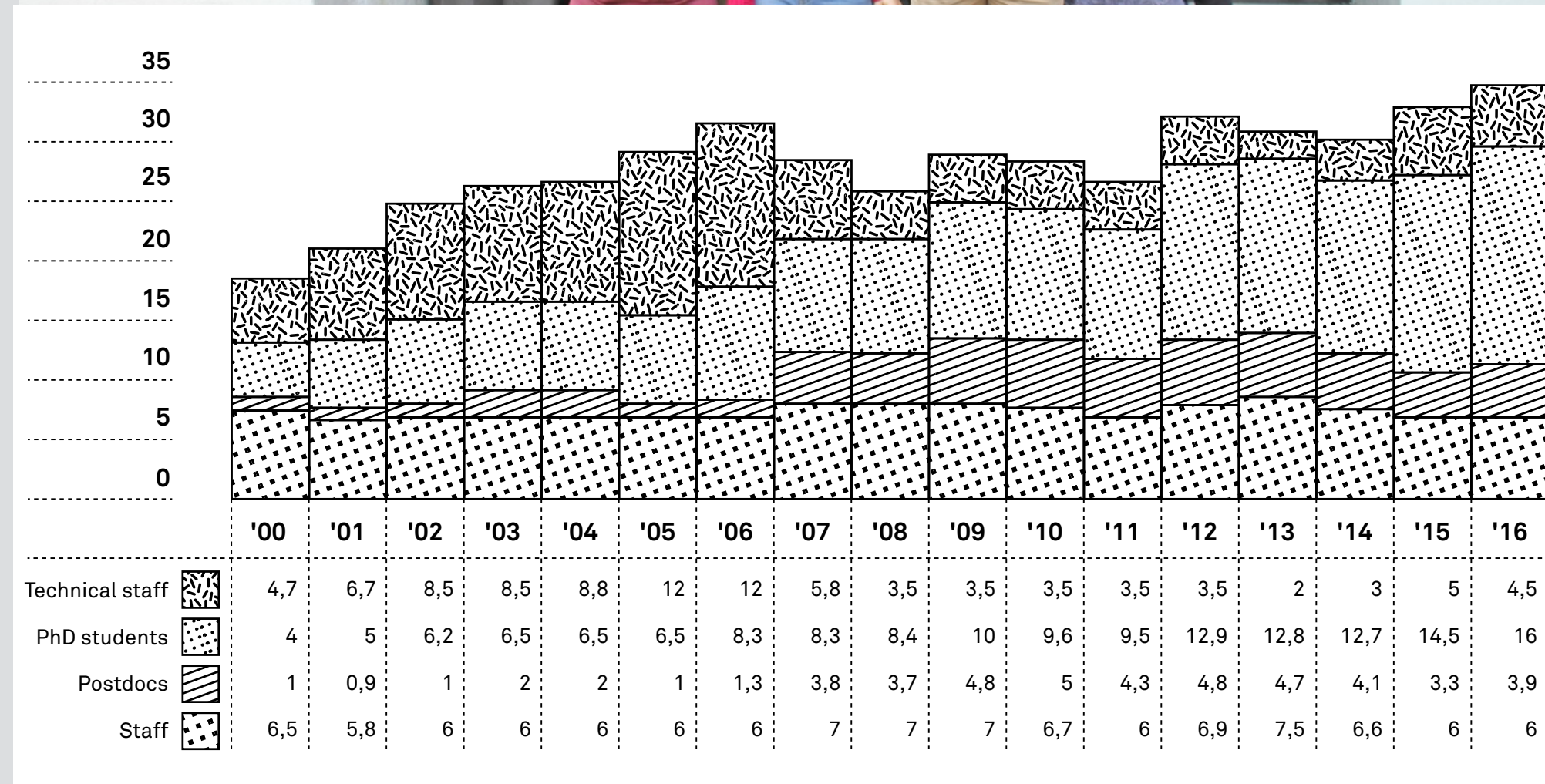
We find strong evidence for new collective degrees of freedom in PbPb, even indications for similar effects in small systems

***Our current understanding of this new state of matter is still far from complete
(see talks Barbara and Goran)***

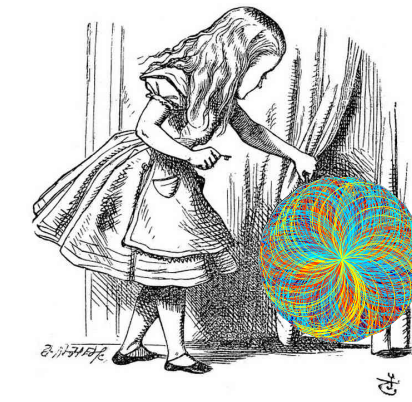
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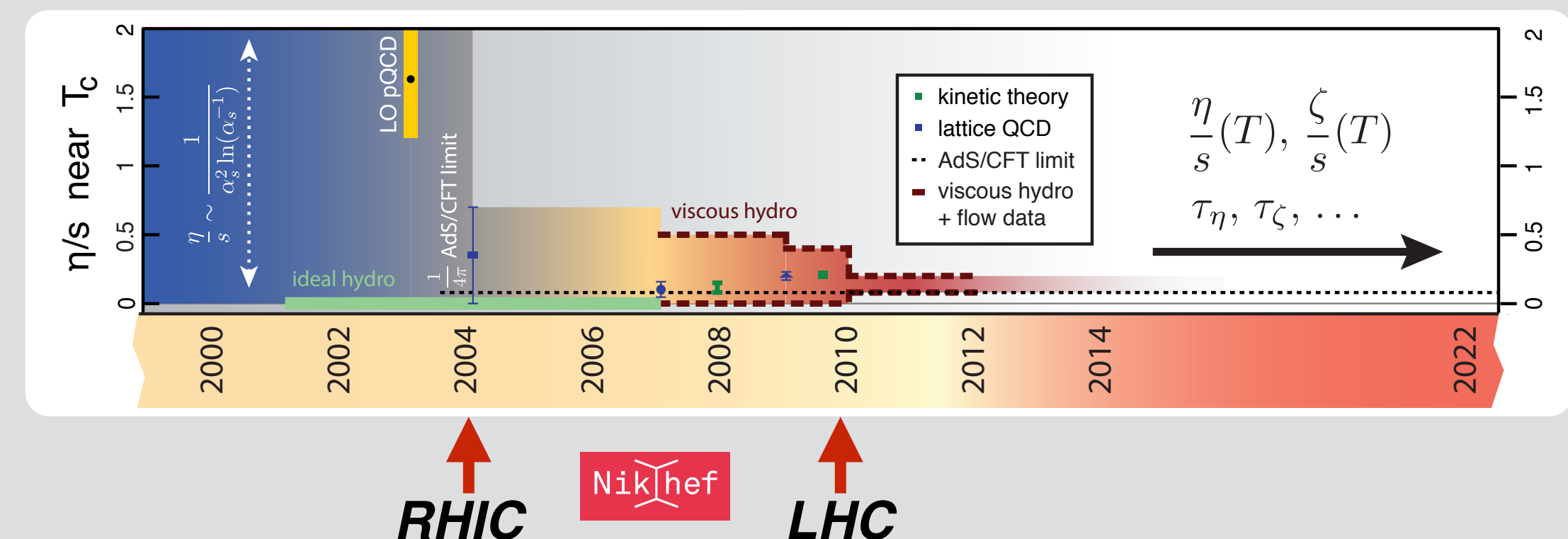
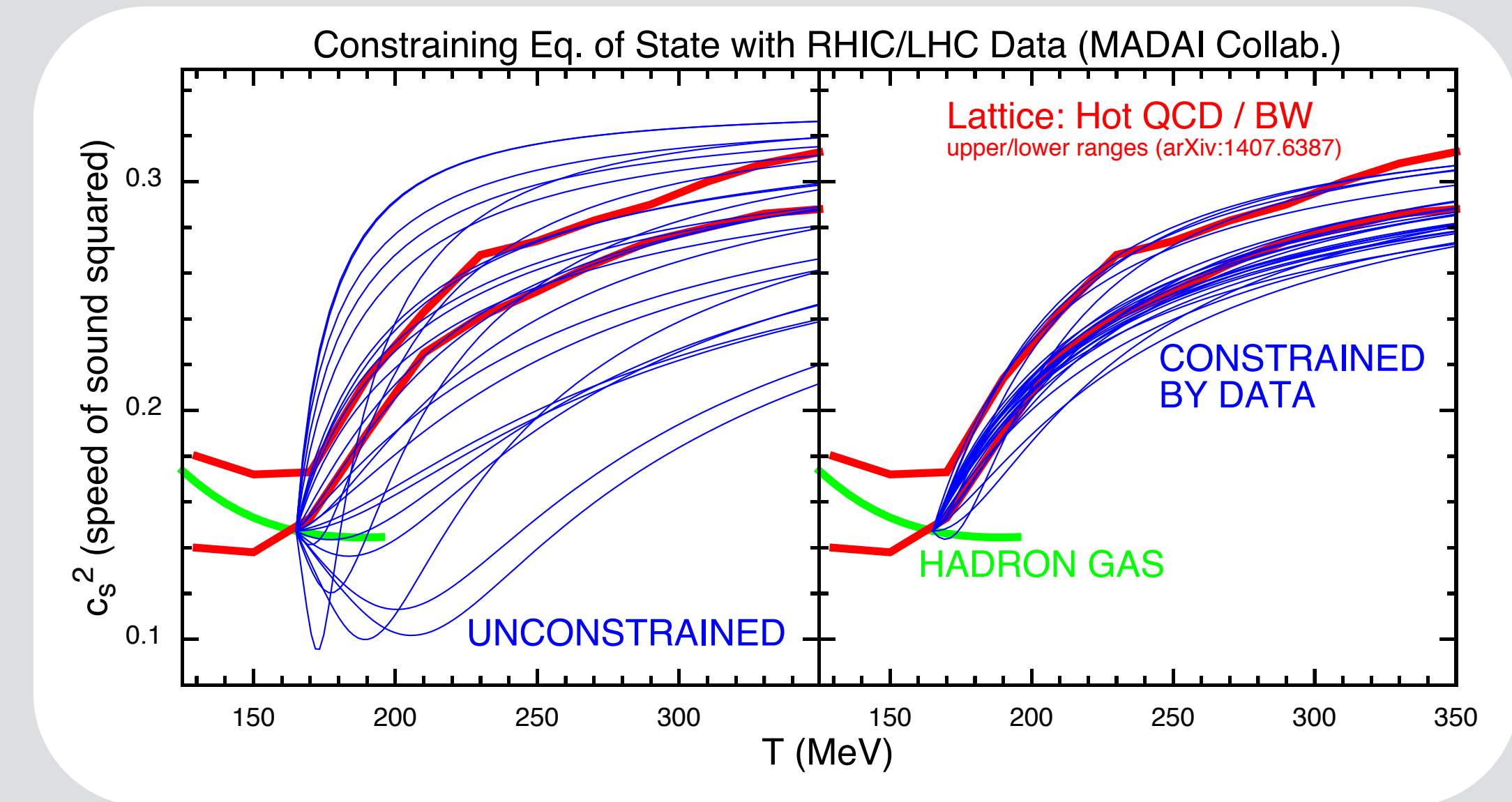
- The Dutch ALICE team (~2% of ALICE) is analysis-wise one of the most productive teams in ALICE (1 or more PA's from our group for 25% of all ALICE published papers)
- Our group produced the highest cited ALICE publications (after the Higgs papers overall coming from the LHC)
- Deputy spokesperson, (2017) Physics coordinator,.....



Some Open Questions:



- Collective Flow 
 - already strong constraints on shear viscosity, open questions initial state, hadronization, ...
- Hard and EM Probes 
 - jet structure measurements can be used to constrain interference in the jets, medium properties, thermalisation, degrees of freedom, ...
- Heavy flavour 
 - special role as it is a well calibrated probe and contributes to better understanding of collective flow and jet-medium interactions
- Correlations 
 - Understanding the magnetic field in these collisions and the strong cp violation



The ALICE Upgrade in LS2



- We would like to characterise this complex almost perfect liquid (EoS, transport parameters) and understand how it emerges from multibody QCD

Rare probes: jets, heavy flavour, electromagnetic probes



Nikhef is leading these Physics Working Groups in ALICE

- Improve statistics: new faster ITS
- Improve S/B: new ITS; smaller pixel size inner layers, less material budget and optimised number of layers



Upgrade to full energy Increase in luminosity 10x more data high luminosity LHC 100x more data

LS1
2014

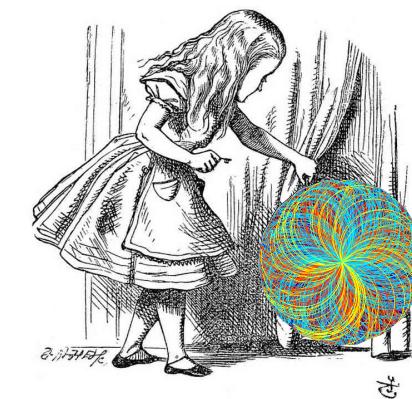
LS2
2019-2020

LS3
2024-2026

See next talks from Goran and Barbara

**Current program (upgrade and people) funded to 2021
ALICE programme approved to 2029**

Meetings in the Netherlands



XII Workshop on Particle Correlations and Femtoscopy Nikhef, Amsterdam, The Netherlands June 12th - 16th 2017



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Scientific Program

- Femtoscopy at RHIC and LHC: links to QGP physics
- Femtoscopy in A+A, p+p, p+A and e+e- collisions at relativistic energies
- Femtoscopy at intermediate energies: links to the EoS of asymmetric nuclear matter
- Charge fluctuations, correlations and balance functions
- Fluctuation in initial conditions
- Collective flow and correlations
- Resonance decays at RHIC and LHC
- Resonance decay spectroscopy in low and intermediate energy reactions
- Chiral magnetic effect and wave
- New methods and facilities

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Utrecht University

17th International Conference on
Strangeness in Quark Matter
Utrecht 2017
10-15 July 2017
Utrecht, the Netherlands

Scientific Program

- Strangeness and heavy-quark production in nuclear collisions and hadronic interactions
- Hadron resonances in the strongly-coupled QGP
- Bulk matter phenomena associated with strange and heavy quarks
- QCD phase structure
- Strangeness in astrophysics
- Open questions and new developments

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ALICE Physics Week in Amsterdam

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The ALICE Physics Week 2017 will be held in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, from 4-8 December 2017. The conference venue is in the De Nieuwe Liefde, a conference centre located in Amsterdam downtown.

At the ALICE Physics Week we will review recent analyses and discuss their impact on our understanding of the Quark Gluon Plasma and multi-body QCD. All presentations are in a plenary session, so that results from different groups can be compared and discussed together to provide a broader view of the physics and interpretations.

We will also use this opportunity to discuss the physics program of ALICE for Run 3 and 4, during which we expect to collect large data samples plans with the upgraded detector.

Starts 4 Dec 2017, 09:00
Ends 8 Dec 2017, 17:00
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We took on the organisation of many big meetings this year

Nikhef ALICE group retreat



macroscopic



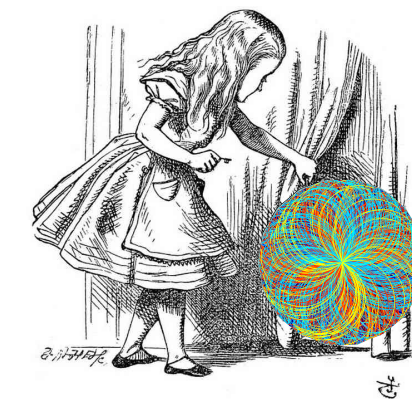
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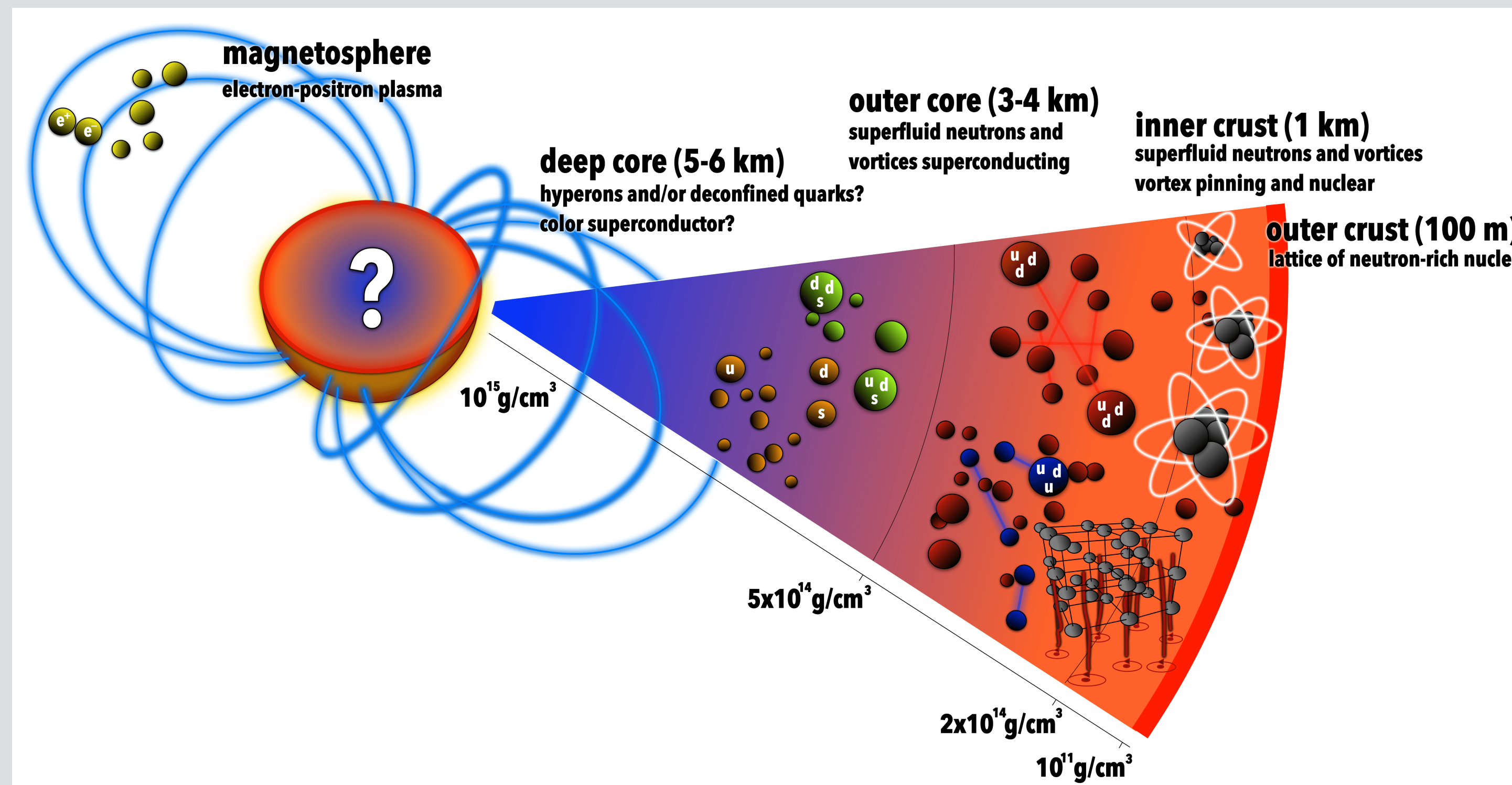
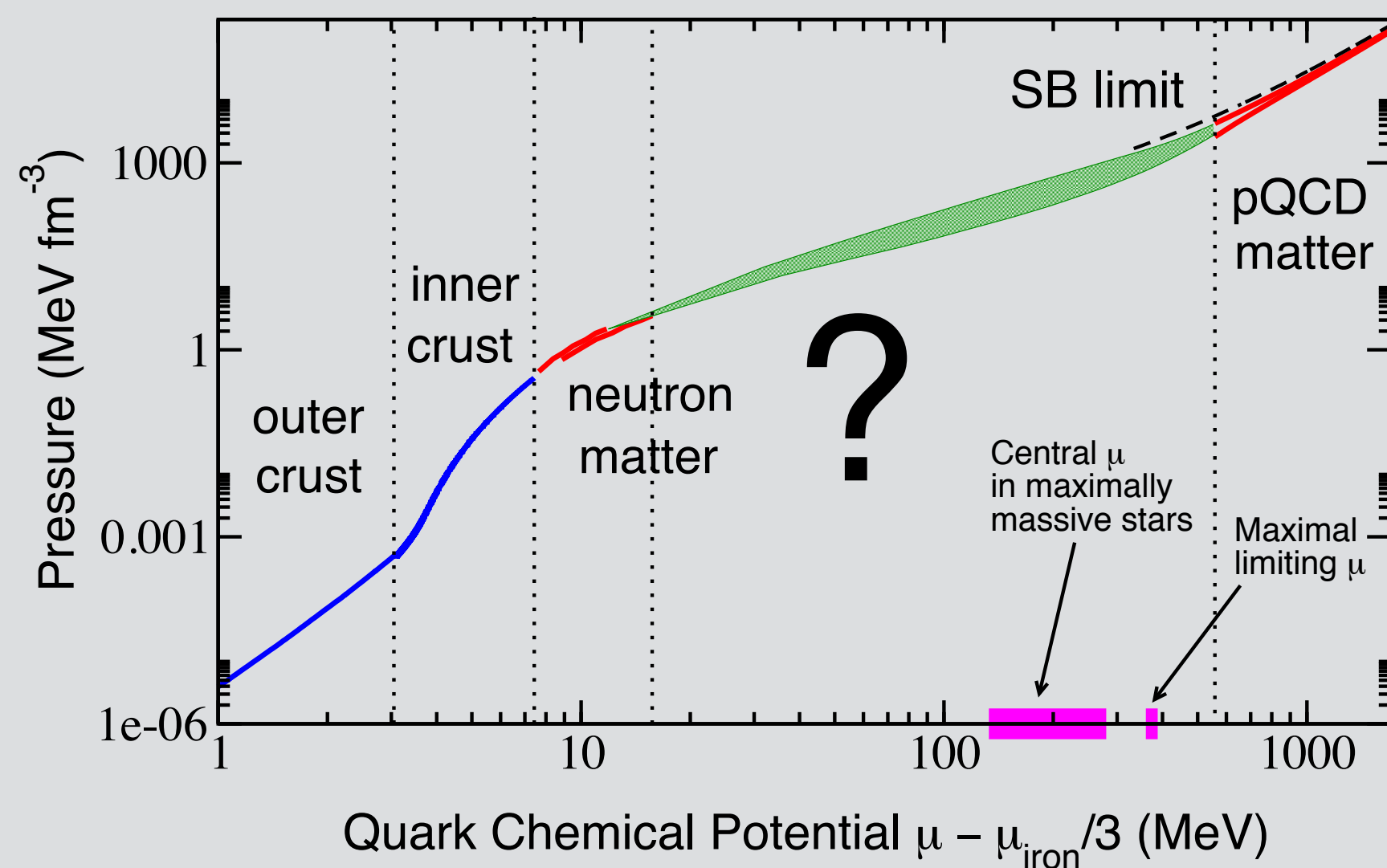
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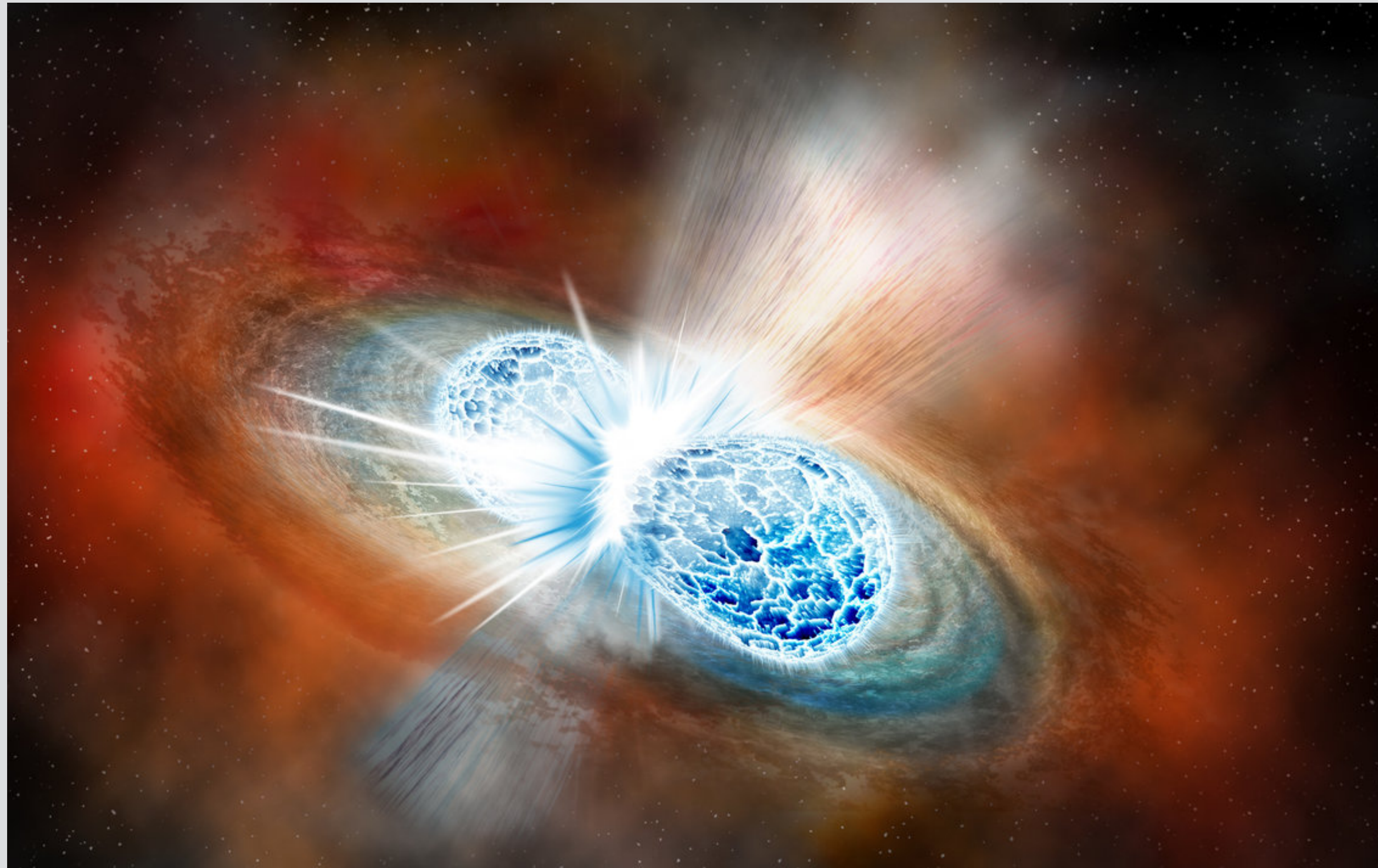
Connections: Neutron Stars



- Densest objects in nature
- The balance of gravity and QCD
 - A neutron star is a macroscopic laboratory of QCD
 - Deep core could be QGP

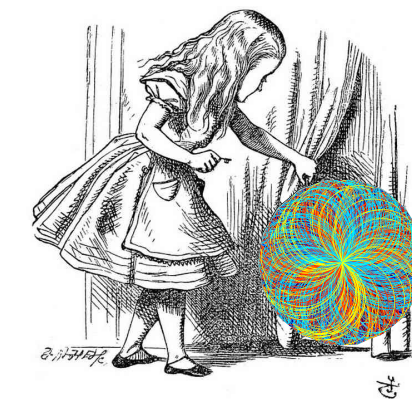


Connections: Neutron Star Mergers

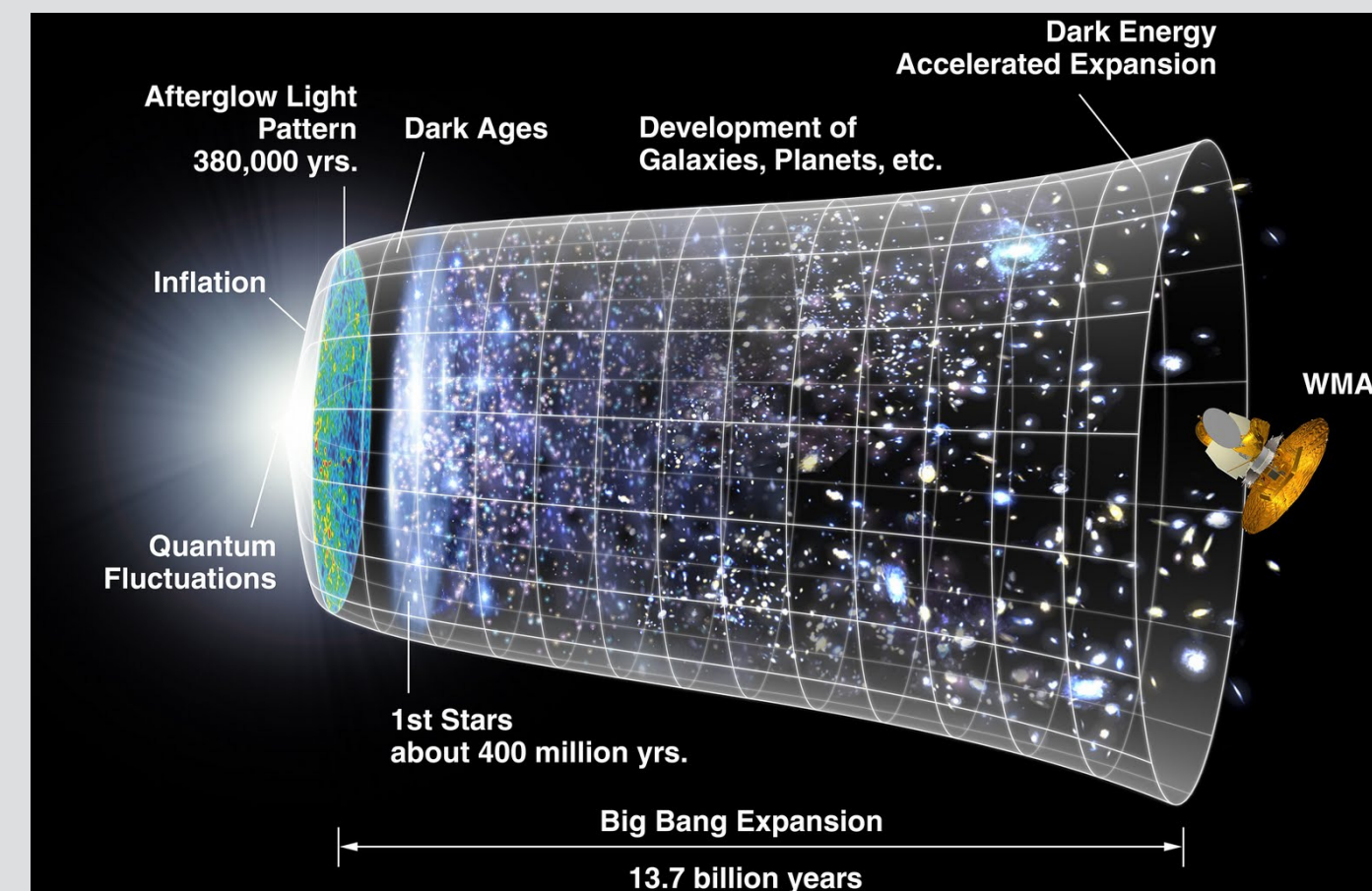
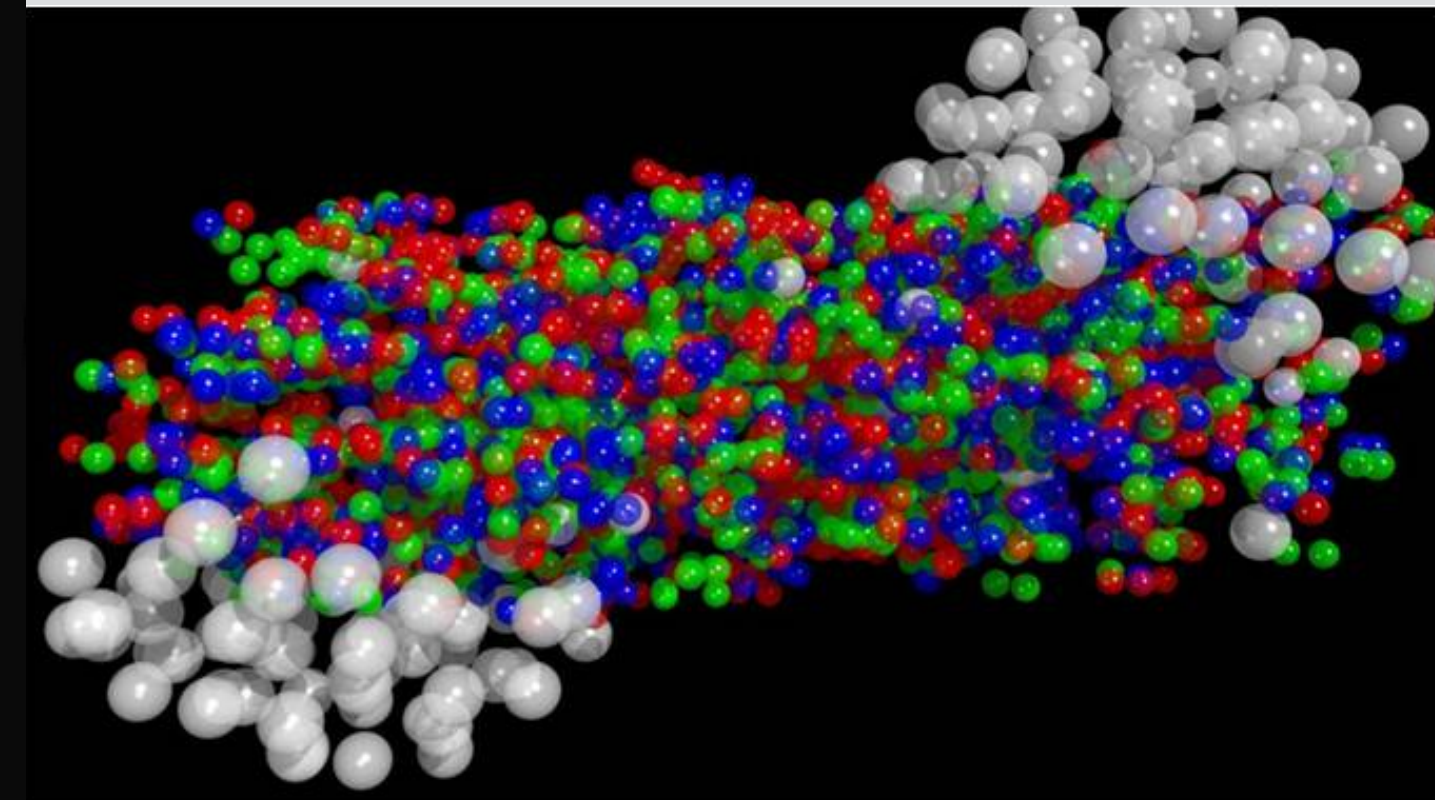
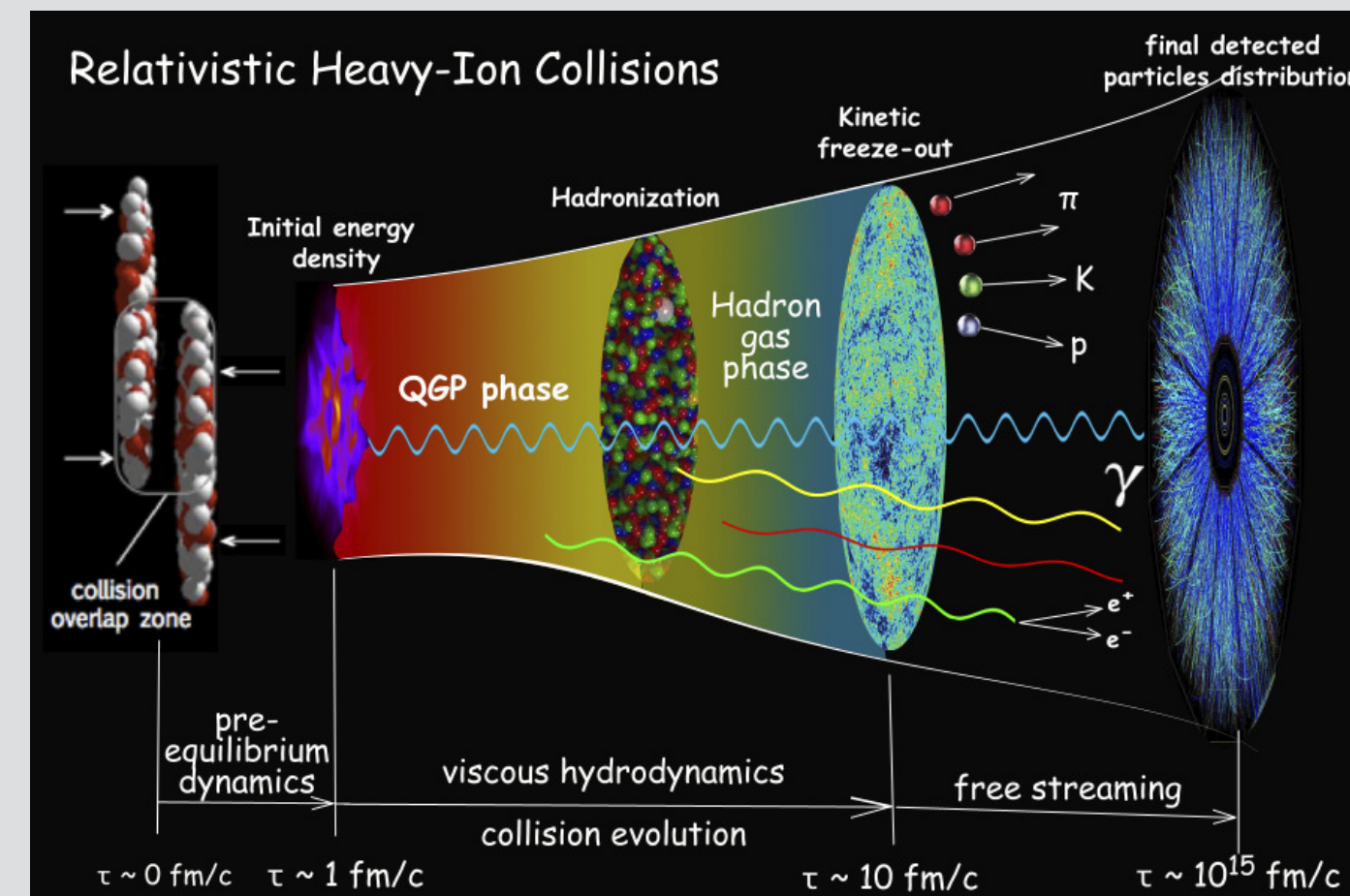


- First neutron star merger observed in Virgo/Ligo
 - Already providing constraints on the EoS
- Detailed understanding of the dynamics is required to understand the properties of the neutron star interior
 - EoS, transport parameters, ..
 - Very similar to heavy-ion collisions

ALICE in the LHC Wonderland



- Colliding heavy-ions at the LHC allows us to create a new state of matter
 - Still many important open questions
- Its emergent properties are surprising and completely different than predicted, now they can be measured and modelled for the first time
- The Nikhef ALICE group is one of the most productive groups with strong contributions to the collaboration
 - Physics analysis, hardware contributions, and writing high-impact papers
 - Leadership roles in the collaboration (hardware and management)
- Currently most exciting time in our field, for which we had to prepare for decades



Backup:



Leadership



Our group members have had leading positions in many physics- as well as detector hardware topics in ALICE.

Physics Working Group Convenors (A. Grelli, R. Snellings, T. Peitzmann, M. van Leeuwen and P. Christakoglou)

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Azimuthal Anisotropy of Strange and Charm Hadrons
 Measured in Pb-Pb Collisions at 2.76 TeV

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Jet-like heavy-flavour particle correlations in proton-proton and lead-lead collisions in ALICE

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Higher Harmonic Anisotropic Flow of Identified Particles

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Elliptic Flow Measurement at ALICE

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Open charm analysis with the ALICE detector in pp collisions at LHC

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BALANCE FUNCTIONS: Multiplicity and transverse momentum dependence of the charge dependent correlations in ALICE

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Elliptic flow at different collision stages

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Identified particle yield associated with a high-pT trigger particle at the LHC

Misha Veldhoen

Two-particle azimuthal correlation in d+Au and p+p collisions at sqrt(sNN) = 200 GeV in STAR

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Jet-like two-particle correlations in p-Pb collisions
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Low-mass dielectron measurement in Pb-Pb collisions at sqrt(sNN) = 2.76 TeV with ALICE at the LHC

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Anisotropic flow of identified hadrons in heavy-ion collisions at the LHC: from detector alignment and calibration to measurement

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Making the QGP soup?
 Anisotropic Flow and Flow Fluctuations at the Large Hadron Collider

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Measurement of pions, kaons and protons with the ALICE detector in pp collisions at the LHC

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