

Predictions for particle production in Ag+Ag collisions at $E_{\text{kin}}=1.58A$ GeV from a hadronic transport approach

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Introduction

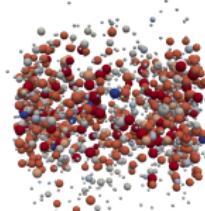
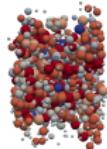
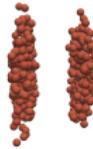
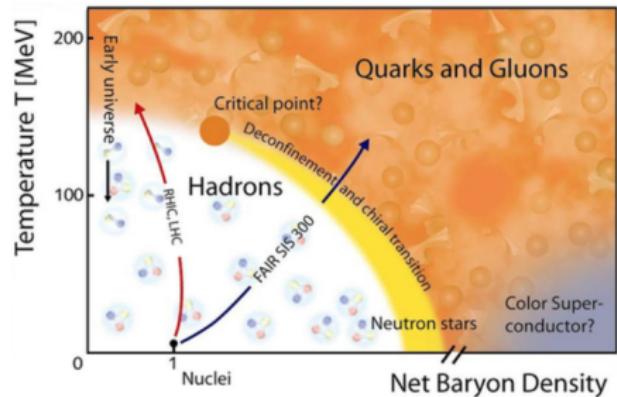
Heavy-ion collisions as a key to the phase diagram of QCD

Why low energies?

- ▶ High net baryon density
- ▶ First order phase transition
- ▶ Search for critical endpoint

Why transport approaches?

- ▶ Microscopic non-equilibrium description
- ▶ Successful in reproducing particle spectra

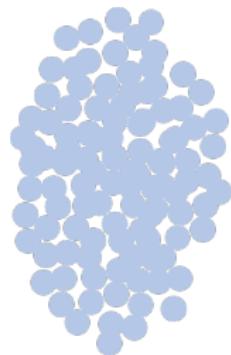


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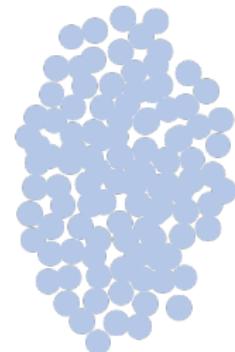
Motivation and Outline

Recent experiment at GSI performed by the HADES Collaboration

- ▶ Transport approaches
- ▶ Ξ^- production – high yields in AuAu collisions
- ▶ System size dependence
- ▶ Dilepton emission



AgAg



HADES Collaboration

SMASH: A Hadronic Transport Approach

Simulating Many Accelerated Strongly-interacting Hadrons^{1,2}



- ▶ Solves the relativistic Boltzmann equation effectively:

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f_i(x, p) + m_i F^\alpha \partial_\alpha^p f_i(x, p) = C_{coll}^i$$

- ▶ Geometrical collision criterion:

$$d_{coll} < \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{tot}}{\pi}}$$

- ▶ All particles in the PDG with masses up to
 ~ 2 GeV included

Find us on GitHub!



github.com/smash-transport/smash

¹J. Weil *et al.* (2016): Phys. Rev. **C94**, 054905

²D. Oliinychenko *et al.* (2019): SMASH-1.6, 10.5281/zenodo.3485108

SMASH: Particle Production

Hadronic degrees of freedom

Mesons	Baryons
π, η, η'	N, N^*
ρ, ω, ϕ	Δ, Δ^*
σ	Λ, Λ^*
f_0, a_0	Σ, Σ^*
K	Ξ, Ξ^*
Higher mesonic resonances	Ω



Processes for particle production

- ▶ $2 \rightarrow 1$ resonance production
- ▶ (In-)Elastic scattering
- ▶ Decay processes
- ▶ String fragmentation

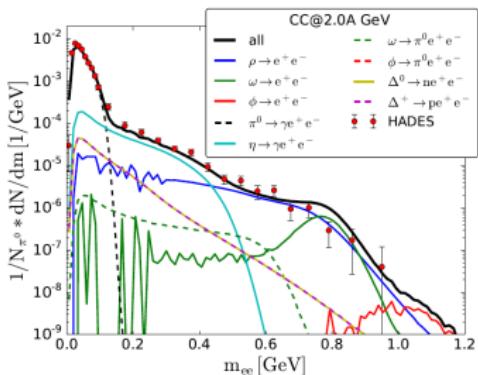
For low energies
dominated by
excitation and decay
of resonances

SMASH: Previous Results

- ▶ SMASH has been applied to different collision systems
 - ▶ Dilepton emissions with all available HADES data from elementary collisions to heavy ions
 - ▶ Strangeness production

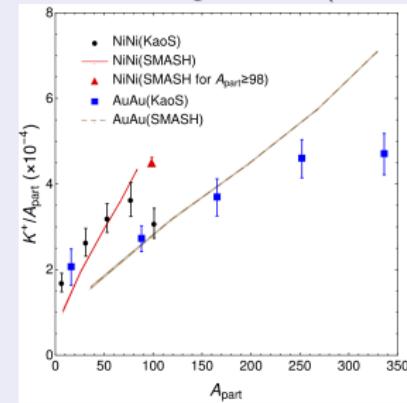


J. Staudenmaier *et al.* (2018)



Phys. Rev. C98 (2018) no.5, 054908

V. Steinberg *et al.* (2019)



Phys. Rev. C99 (2019) no.6, 064908

Ξ^- Implementation in SMASH

Goal: Study Ξ^- production in SMASH

→ Follow ansatz introduced by J. Steinheimer and M. Bleicher in
J.Phys. G43 (2016) no.1, 015104

UrQMD

Additional decay channels:

$$N^* \rightarrow \Xi K K \quad (10\%)$$

For high mass resonances:

N(1990), N(2080), N(2190),
N(2220), N(2250)

SMASH

Pole mass shift:

- ▶ N(2220) \rightsquigarrow N(2350)
- ▶ N(2250) \rightsquigarrow N(2400)

Additional decay channels:

- ▶ N(2350) $\rightarrow \Xi K K$ (50%)
- ▶ N(2400) $\rightarrow \Xi K K$ (50%)

Ξ^- Yield Comparison

Agreement with experimental data?

p+Nb at 3.5A GeV (used to fit branching ratios):

	HADES ¹	UrQMD ²	SMASH
Ξ^-	$(2.0 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-4}$	$(1.44 \pm 0.05) \times 10^{-4}$	2.03×10^{-4}
Ξ^-/Λ	$(1.2 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-2}$	$(0.71 \pm 0.03) \times 10^{-2}$	1.5×10^{-2}

Ar+KCl at 1.76A GeV:

	HADES ^{3,4}	SMASH
Ξ^-	$(2.3 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-4}$	1.95×10^{-4}
Ξ^-/Λ	$(5.6 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.8) \times 10^{-3}$	4.5×10^{-3}

⇒ Agreement with both elementary and larger systems!

¹G. Agakishiev *et al.* (2015): Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 212301

²J. Steinheimer and M. Bleicher (2016): J.Phys. G43 no.1, 015104

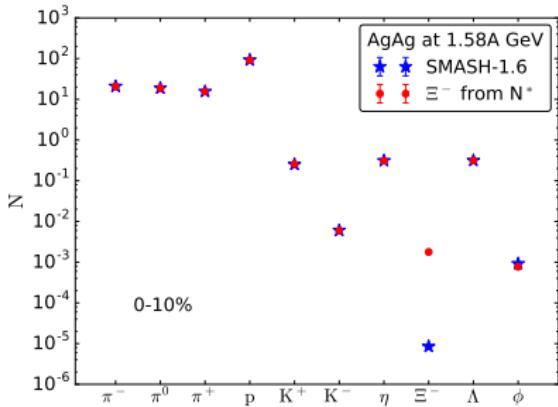
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⁴G. Agakishiev *et al.* (2011): Eur. Phys. J. A (2011) **47**:2

Particle Production for AgAg at 1.58A GeV

Multiplicities

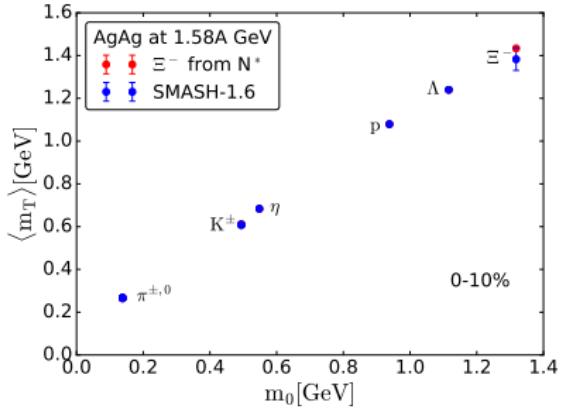
- ▶ Mostly protons
- ▶ Strange particles rare
- ▶ Rough isospin symmetry in pion production



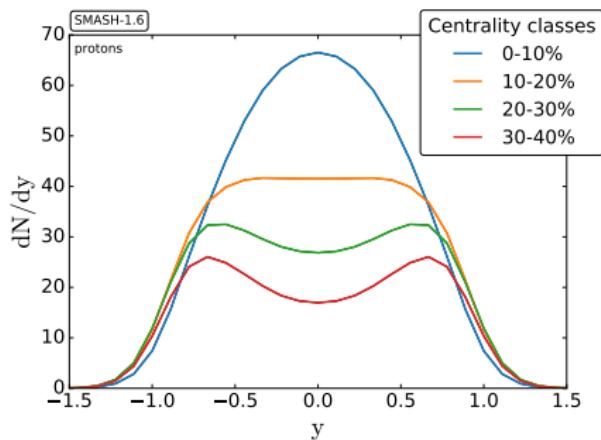
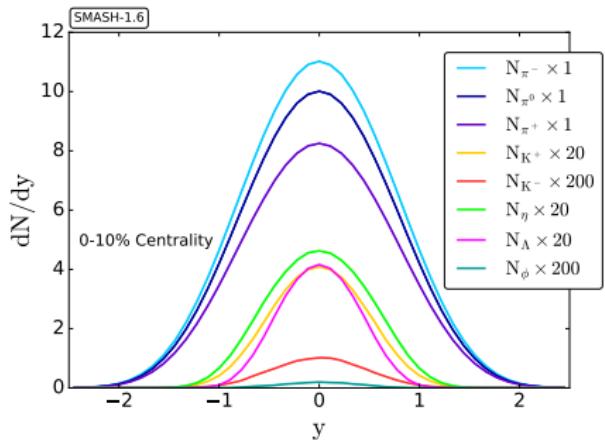
Mean transverse mass

- ▶ Higher pole mass \Rightarrow higher $\langle m_T \rangle$

Note: $N^* \rightarrow \Xi^-$ decays do not affect other yields, except ϕ slightly



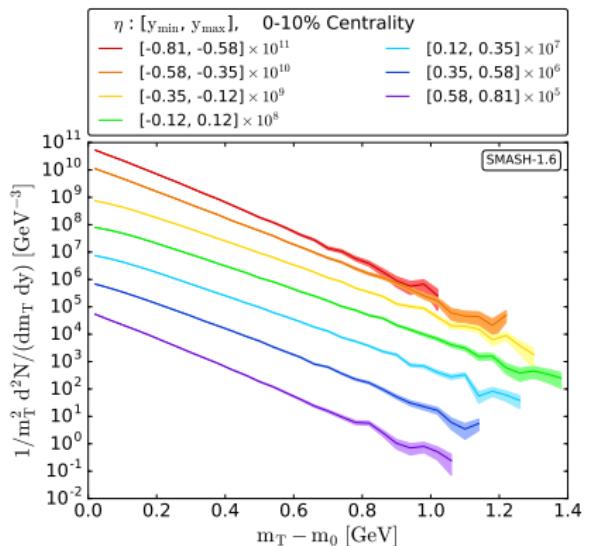
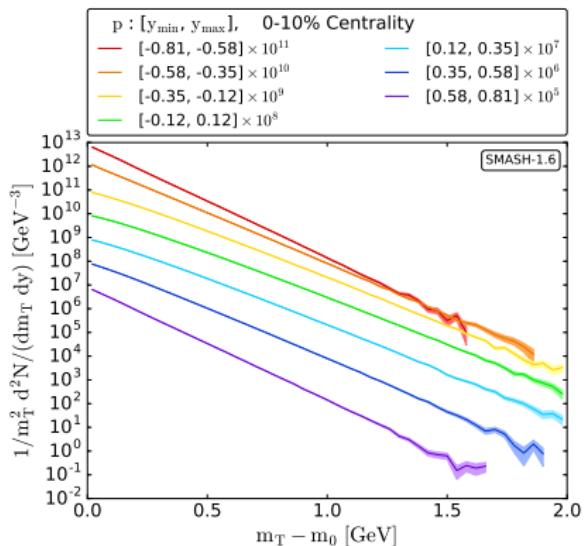
Rapidity Spectra



- ▶ Typical Gaussian behavior for 0-10% centrality
 - ▶ Protons: expected behaviour as a function of centrality is observed
- ⇒ Longitudinal dynamics seem reasonable

Transverse Mass

Normalized m_T distributions



⇒ Noticeable difference in slopes of each rapidity bin

Inverse Slope Parameter

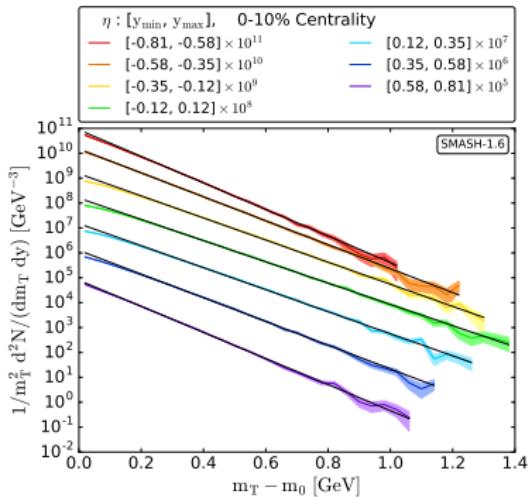
Applying the **Boltzmann fit** for each rapidity bin

$$\frac{1}{m_T^2} \frac{d^2N}{dm_T dy} = C(y) \exp\left(-\frac{(m_T - m_0)}{T_B(y)}\right)$$

yields **inverse slope parameter $T_B(y)$** :

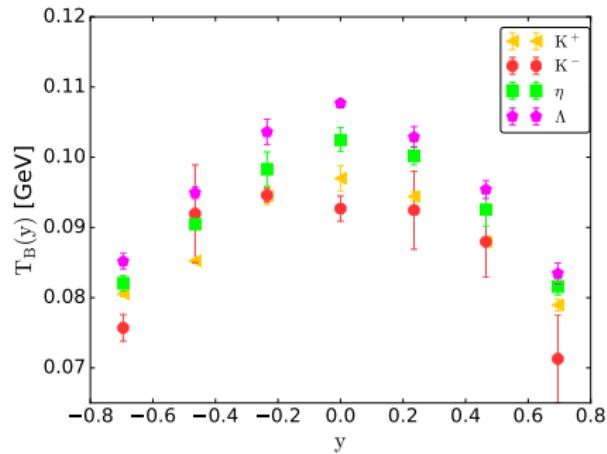
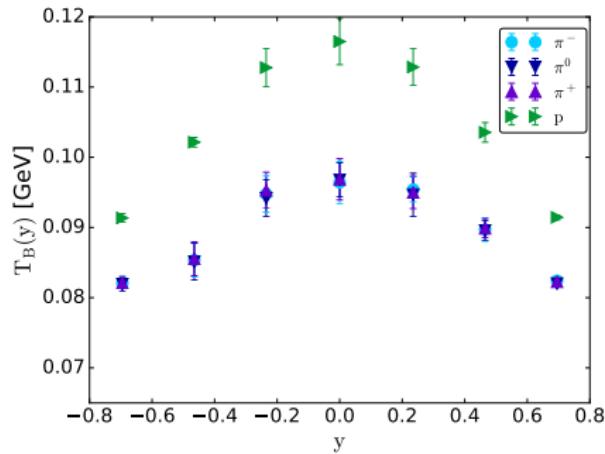
$$T_B(y) = \frac{T_{\text{eff}}}{\cosh(y)}$$

which is connected to the **effective temperature $T_{\text{eff}}(y)$** .



Inverse Slope Parameter and Effective Temperature

Inverse Slope Parameters:



Effective Temperatures:

	π^-	π^0	π^+	p	K^+	K^-	η	Λ
$T_{\text{eff}}(y)$ [MeV]	102.6	101.6	102.8	114.3	97.6	96.0	100.8	106.8

System Size Dependence

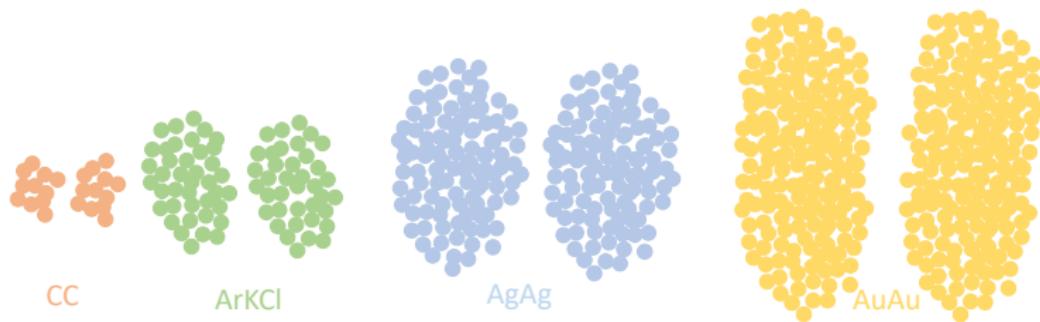
Analysis of additional collision systems of different sizes at **same energy**

	HADES [A GeV]	This Work [A GeV]
CC ¹	2.0	1.58
ArKCl ²	1.76	1.58
AuAu ³	1.23	1.58
AgAg	1.58	1.58

¹ HADES Collab. (2009): arXiv:0906.2309v1
[nucl-ex]

² G. Agakishiev *et al.* (2013): Eur. Phys. J. A 49, 34

³ C. Franco (2017): JPS Conf. Proc. 13, 020003



N_{part} Scaling

AuAu collisions at 1.23A GeV:

$$\frac{N}{N_{\text{part}}} \sim (N_{\text{part}})^{\alpha}$$

⇒ Strange particles scale with same α exponent!

HADES Paper

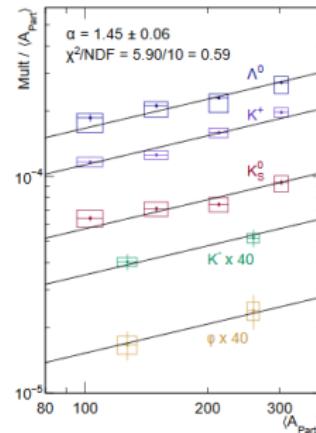
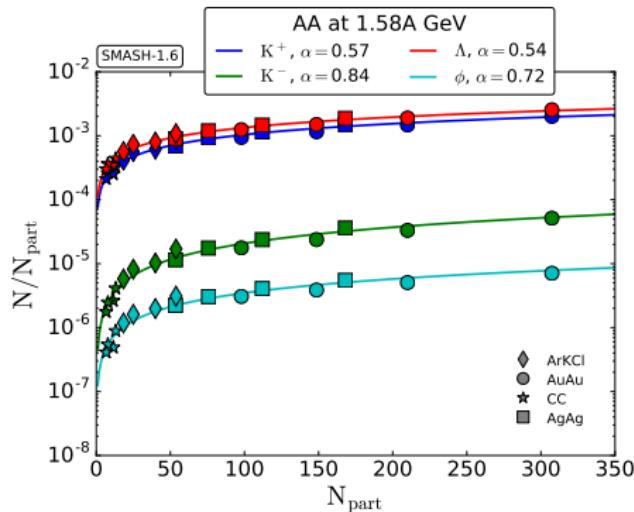


FIG. 5: Multiplicities per mean number of participants $\text{Mult}/\langle A_{\text{part}} \rangle$ as a function of $\langle A_{\text{part}} \rangle$. All hadron yields are fitted simultaneously with a function of the form $\text{Mult} \propto \langle A_{\text{part}} \rangle^\alpha$ with the result: $\alpha = 1.45 \pm 0.06$.

HADES Collab. (2019): Phys.Lett. B793, 457-463

N_{part} Scaling



Here: cross system behavior
⇒ different α 's – why?

- ▶ Different energy
- ▶ Depend on definition of participants and centrality classes

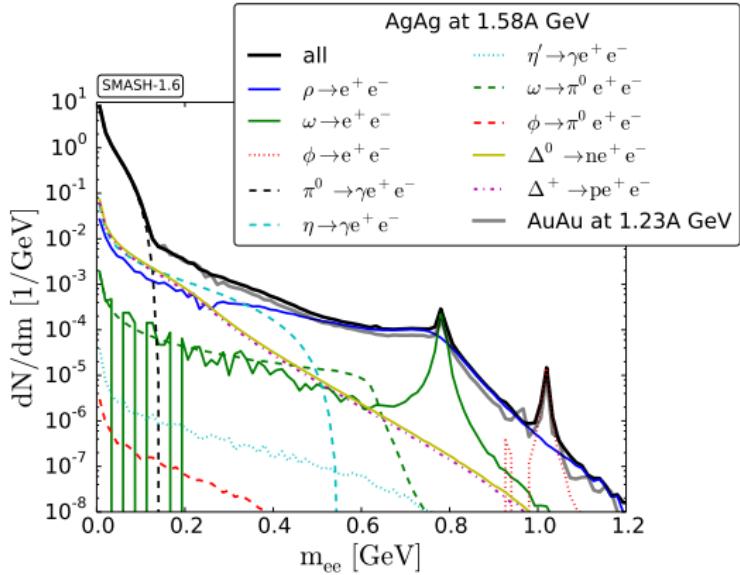
Number of participants
 N_{part} from MC Glauber

Centrality	CC	ArKCl	AgAg	AuAu
0-10%	13.1	53.8	168.1	307.4
10-20%	11.5	39.9	112	210
20-30%	7.8	25	75.8	148.6
30-40%	5.7	18.4	53.4	97.9

D. Miskowiec: <http://web-docs.gsi.de/misko/overlap/>

Dilepton Emission

- ▶ Collisional broadening
- ▶ (Vacuum) Breit-Wigner distributions for all resonances
- ▶ Larger systems require additional medium modifications
- ▶ Similar to AuAu at 1.23A GeV



Summary and Outlook

Summary

- ▶ Predictions for Ξ^- yields with SMASH
- ▶ Determination of T_{eff} between 96 and 114.3 MeV, depending on particle species
- ▶ Analysis of cross system N_{part} scaling, found α 's between 0.54 and 0.84
- ▶ Invariant mass spectra for dileptons similar to Au+Au collisions at 1.23 AGeV

Outlook

- ▶ Comparison to experimental data
- ▶ Further constraint particle production (ϕ, Ξ^-)
- ▶ Publication of results

Backup: Resonance Shift

Why is it necessary?

SMASH follows resonance treatment introduced by Manley and Saleski¹ to calculate the decay widths:

$$\Gamma_{R \rightarrow ab} = \Gamma_{R \rightarrow ab}^0 \frac{\rho_{ab}(m)}{\rho_{ab}(M_0)}$$

⇒ Calculation of ρ does not work if sum of decay products is larger than resonance pole mass!

Why is it reasonable?

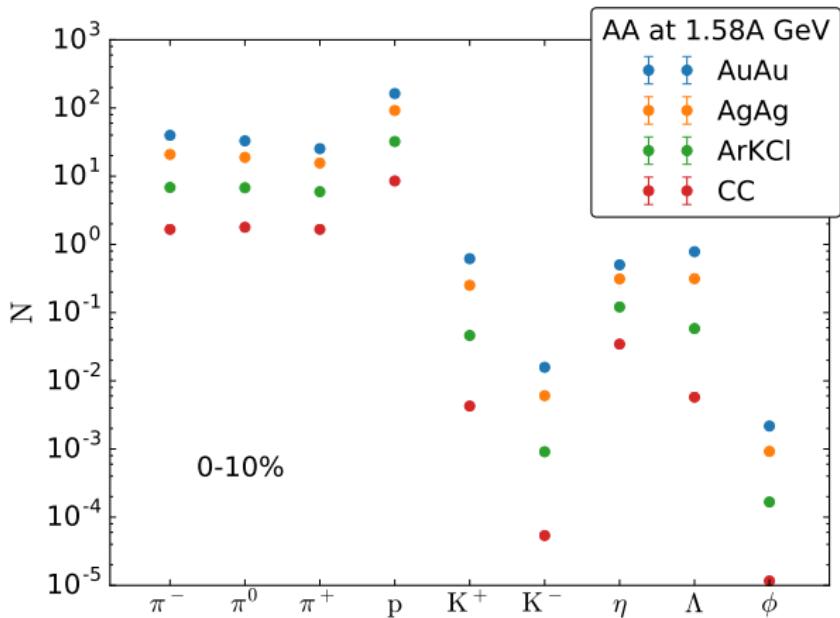
Resonances N(2220) and N(2250) are experimentally not well constrained and have a broad width²:

- ▶ Width of 300 MeV
- ▶ Errorbars of \sim 100 MeV

¹D. M. Manley and E. M. Saleski, Phys. Rev. D **45**, 4002 (1992)

²http://pdg.lbl.gov/2019/listings/contents_listings.html

Backup: System Size Dependence



Backup: Spectators

