

Recent Results from CERES

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- **Experiment**
- **Electrons at 40 GeV**
- **Hadrons at 40,80,158 GeV**
- **Current activities and plans**



Sources of e^+e^- pairs

Dreit-Yan

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow e^+e^-$$

$$qg \rightarrow q\gamma^* \rightarrow qe^+e^-$$

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow g\gamma^* \rightarrow ge^+e^-$$

0 fm/c



QGP radiation

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow e^+e^-$$

2 fm/c



pion annihilation

$$\pi\pi \rightarrow e^+e^-$$

8 fm/c



meson decays

$$\rho \rightarrow e^+e^-$$

10 fm/c

$$\omega \rightarrow e^+e^-, e^+e^-\pi^0$$

30 fm/c

$$\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$$

50 fm/c

$$\eta' \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$$

1 pm/c

$$J/\Psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$$

2 pm/c

$$\Lambda_c \rightarrow e^+e^-$$

4 pm/c

$$\eta \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$$

0.2 nm/c

$$\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-\gamma$$

25 nm/c



open charm

$$c\bar{c} \rightarrow D\bar{D}, D \rightarrow e^+X, \bar{D} \rightarrow e^-Y \quad 0.1 \text{ mm/c}$$



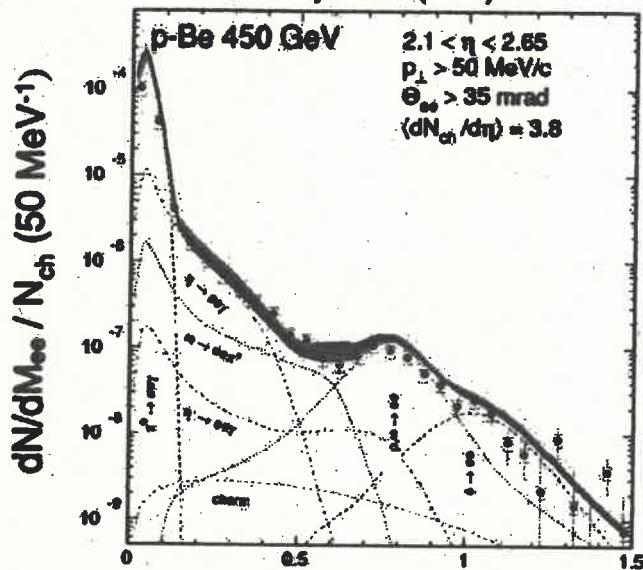
gamma conversion

$$\gamma X \rightarrow e^+e^-X$$

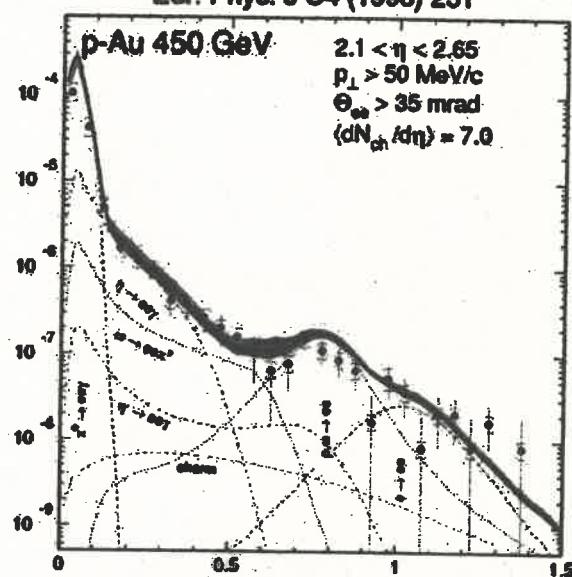
10 cm/c

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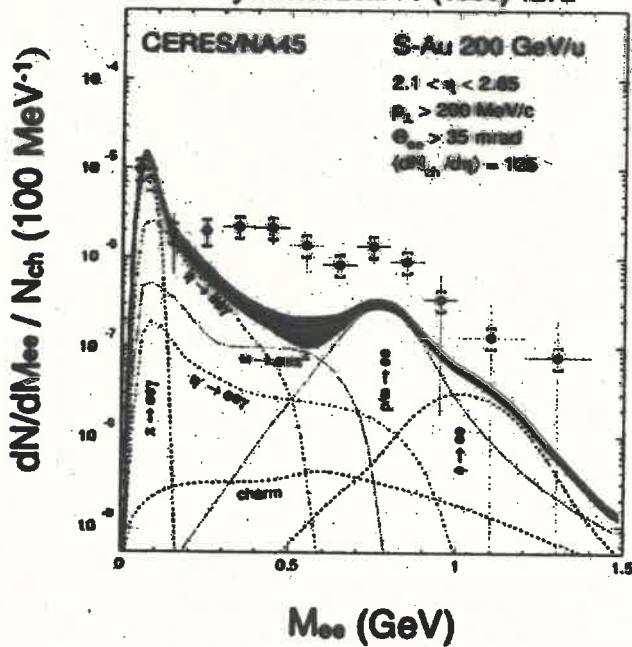
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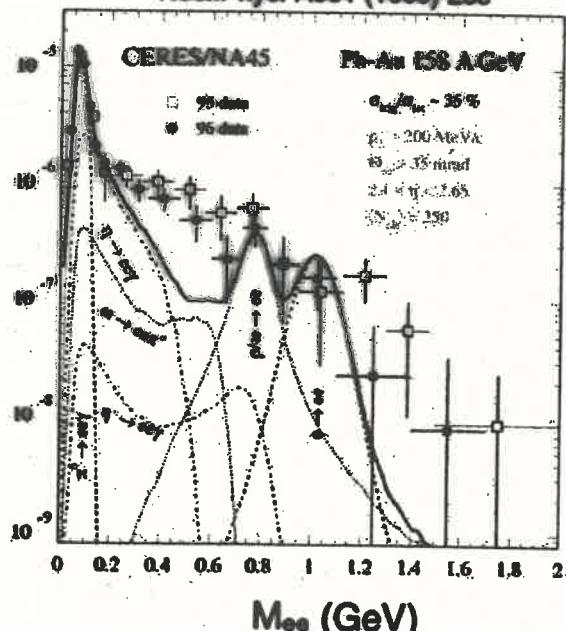
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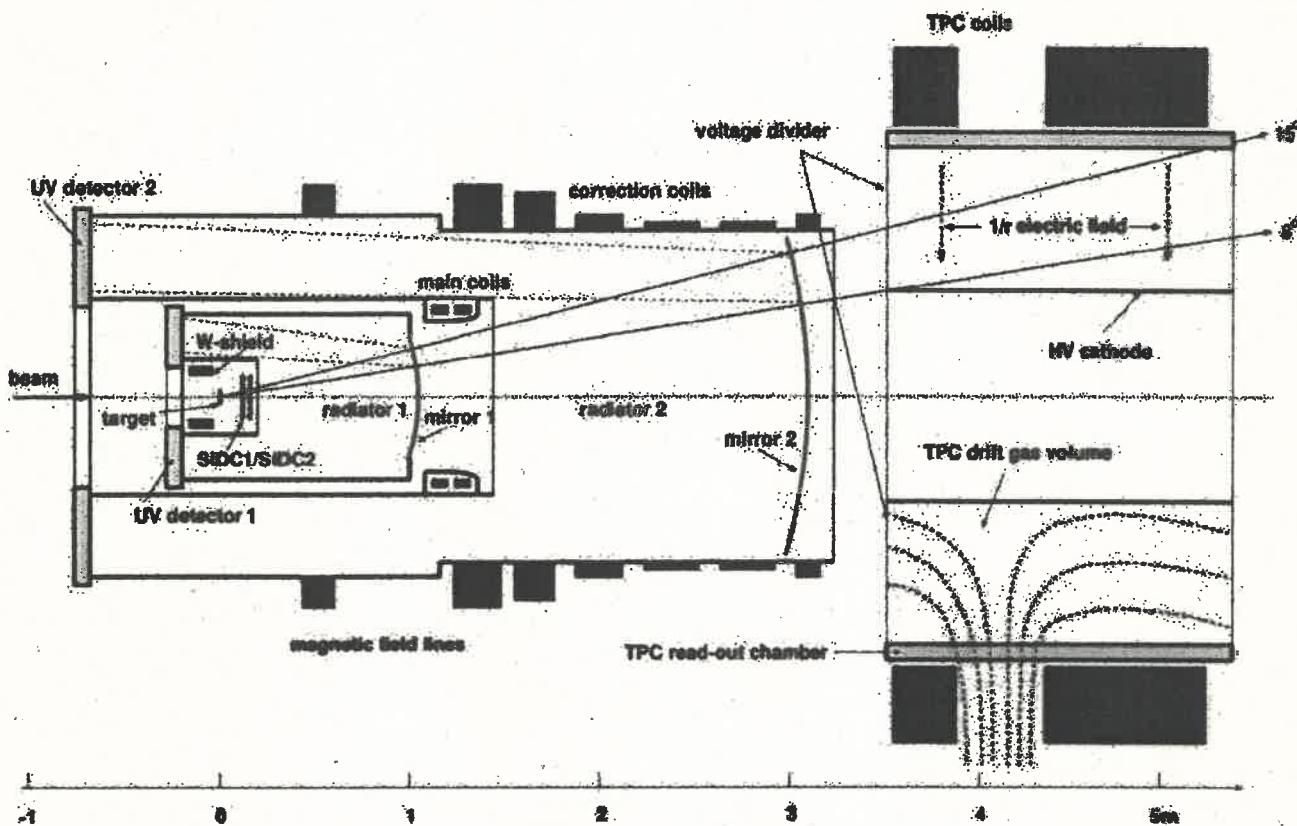


→ excess of e^+e^- pairs in heavy ion collisions

CERES run history

1990	installation	
1991	completed	
1992	200 GeV S+Au	4M central 3M pairs
1993	450 GeV p+Be 450 GeV p+Au	10M pairs 3M pairs
1995	158 GeV Pb+Au	10M central
1996	158 GeV Pb+Au	50M central
1997	TPC construction	
1998	TPC installation	
1999	40 GeV Pb+Au	10M central
2000	80 GeV Pb+Au 158 GeV Pb+Au	1M central 30M central
2002 ?	20 GeV Pb+Au ? 30 GeV Pb+Au ?	

CERES setup 1999-2000



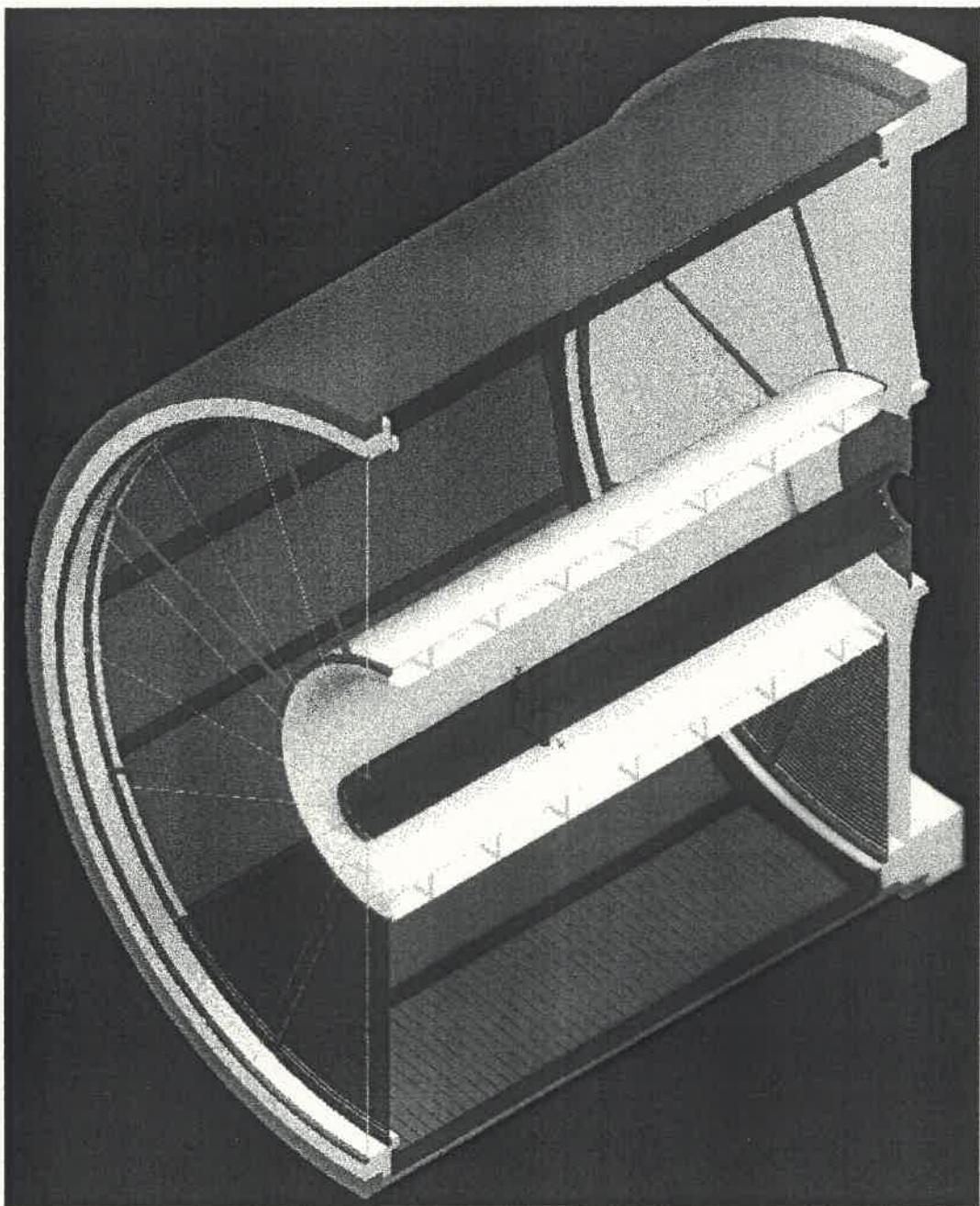
SD's angle

RICH's electron PID

TPC: momentum, dE/dx

- better mass resolution (2% at ω mass)
- better electron PID
- hadron measurement

CERES TPC



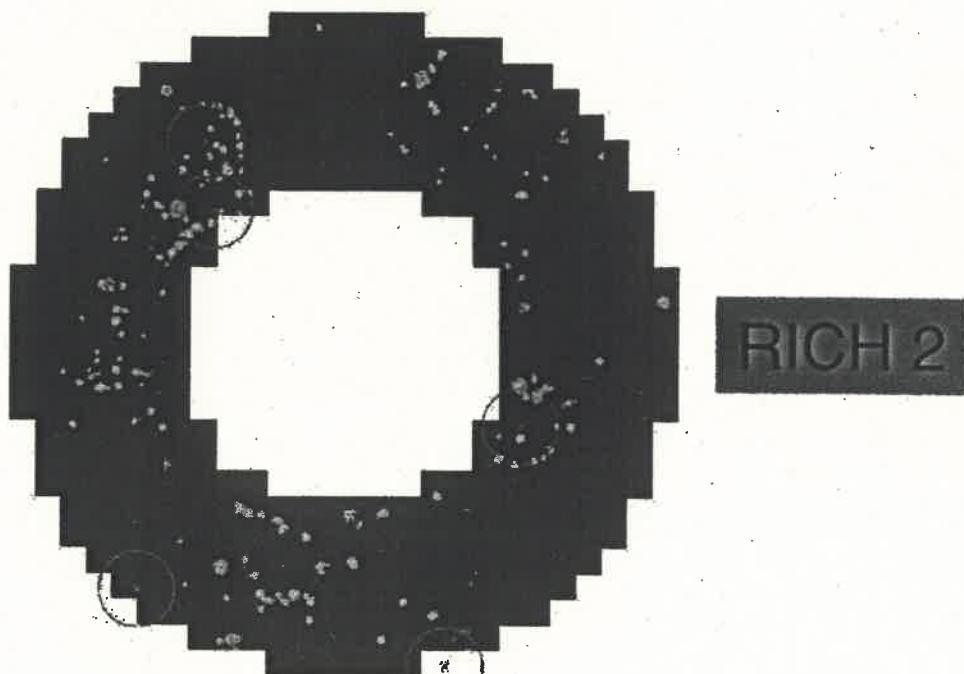
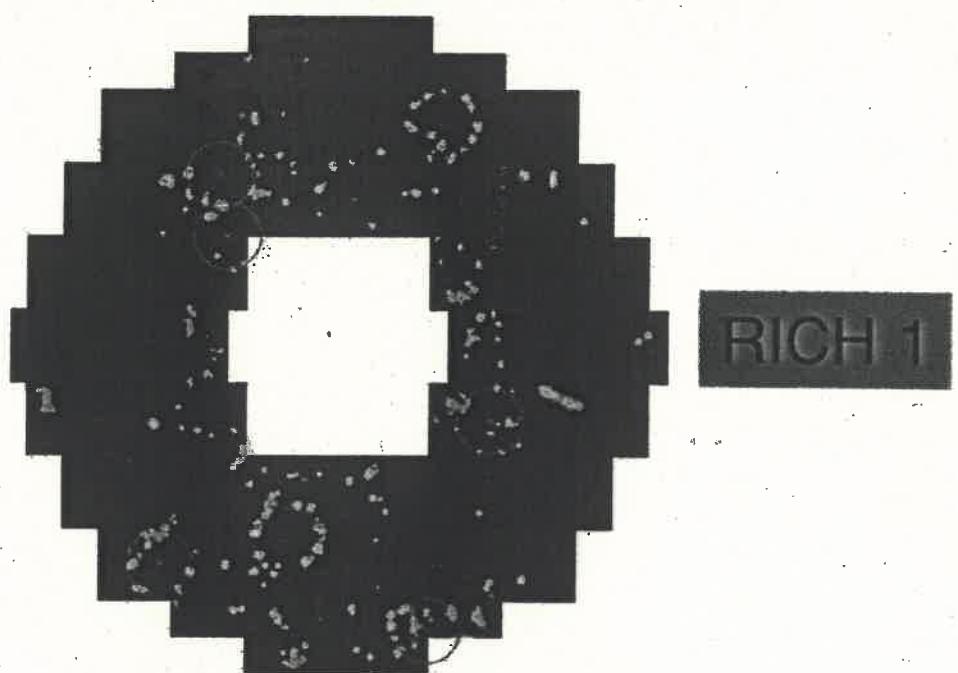
- cylinder $\Phi 2.6\text{ m} \times 2\text{ m}$
- gas Ne:CO₂ (80:20)
- radial E-field $E_R \sim 1/r$ with $E=200\text{-}600\text{ V/cm}$
- radial drift with $v=0.7\text{-}2.4\text{ cm}/\mu\text{s}$

CERES 1999-2000

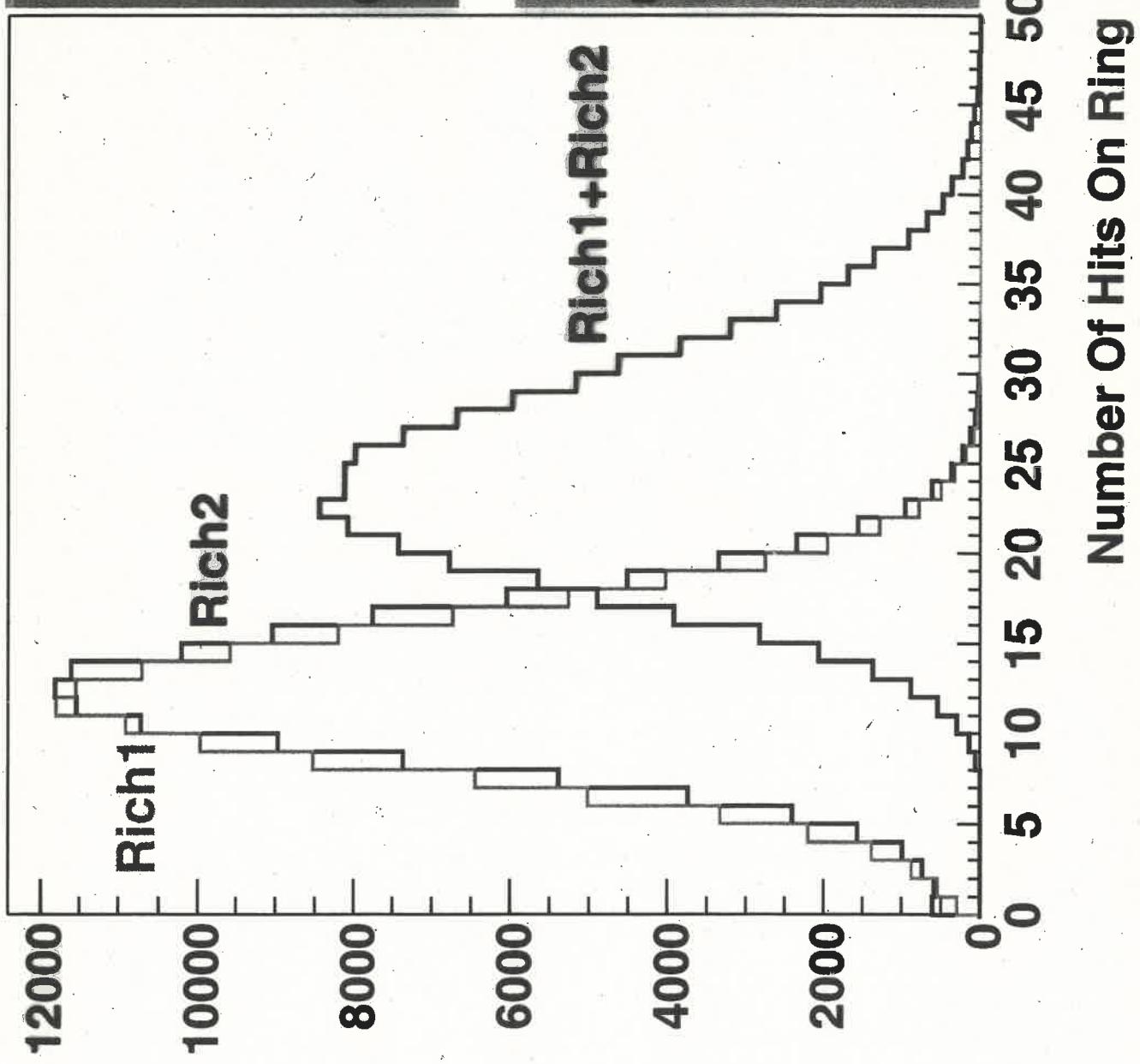
Pb+Au results

- 40 GeV dileptons
- 40 GeV hadrons vs centrality
- 40 GeV Λ
- 40,80,158 GeV pt fluctuations
- 158 GeV charge fluctuations

Event in RICH



RICH Efficiency



1996

Rich1,Rich2 separate

total efficiency

$0.81 * 0.86 = 0.70$

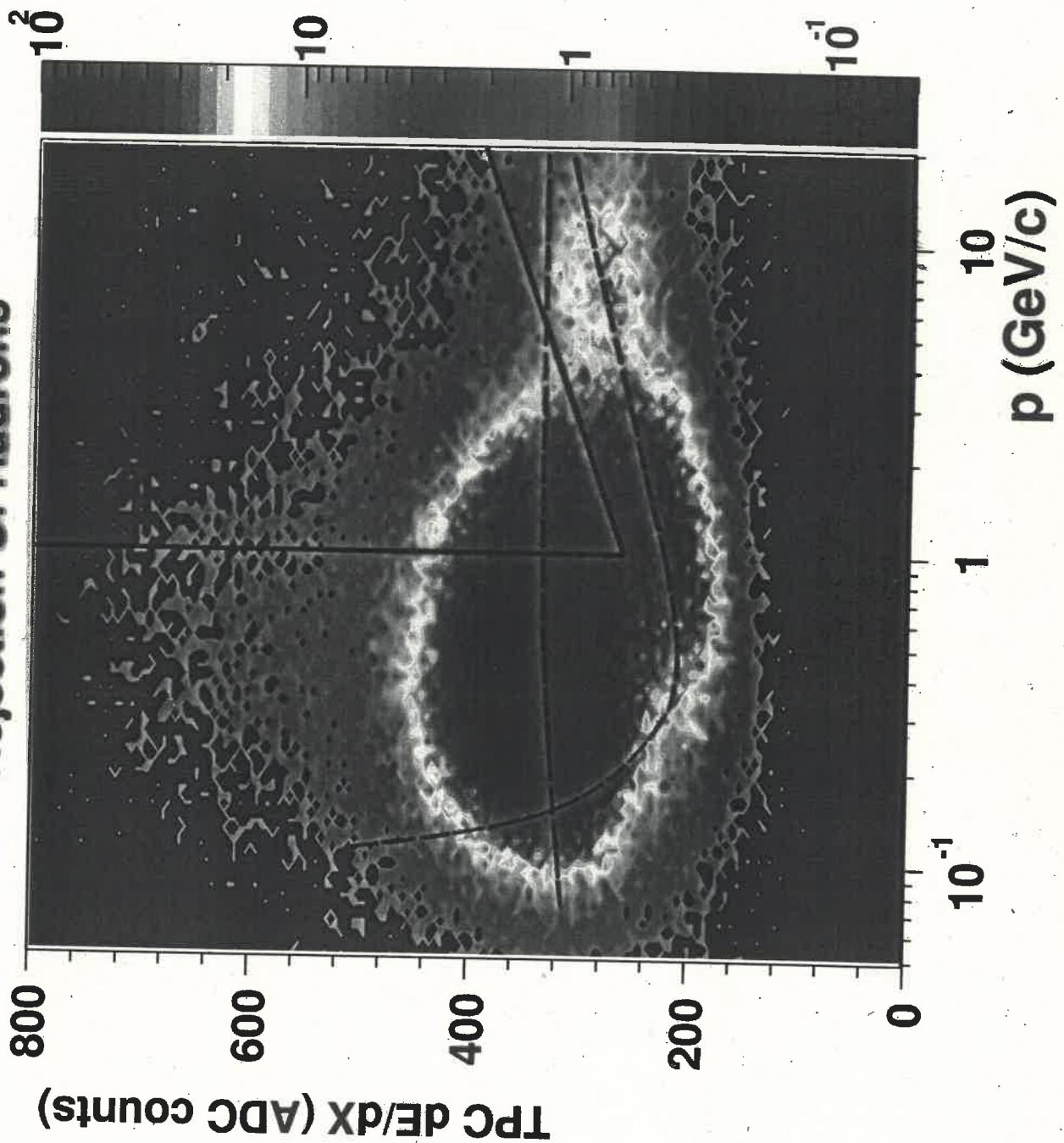
1999

Rich1,Rich2 combined

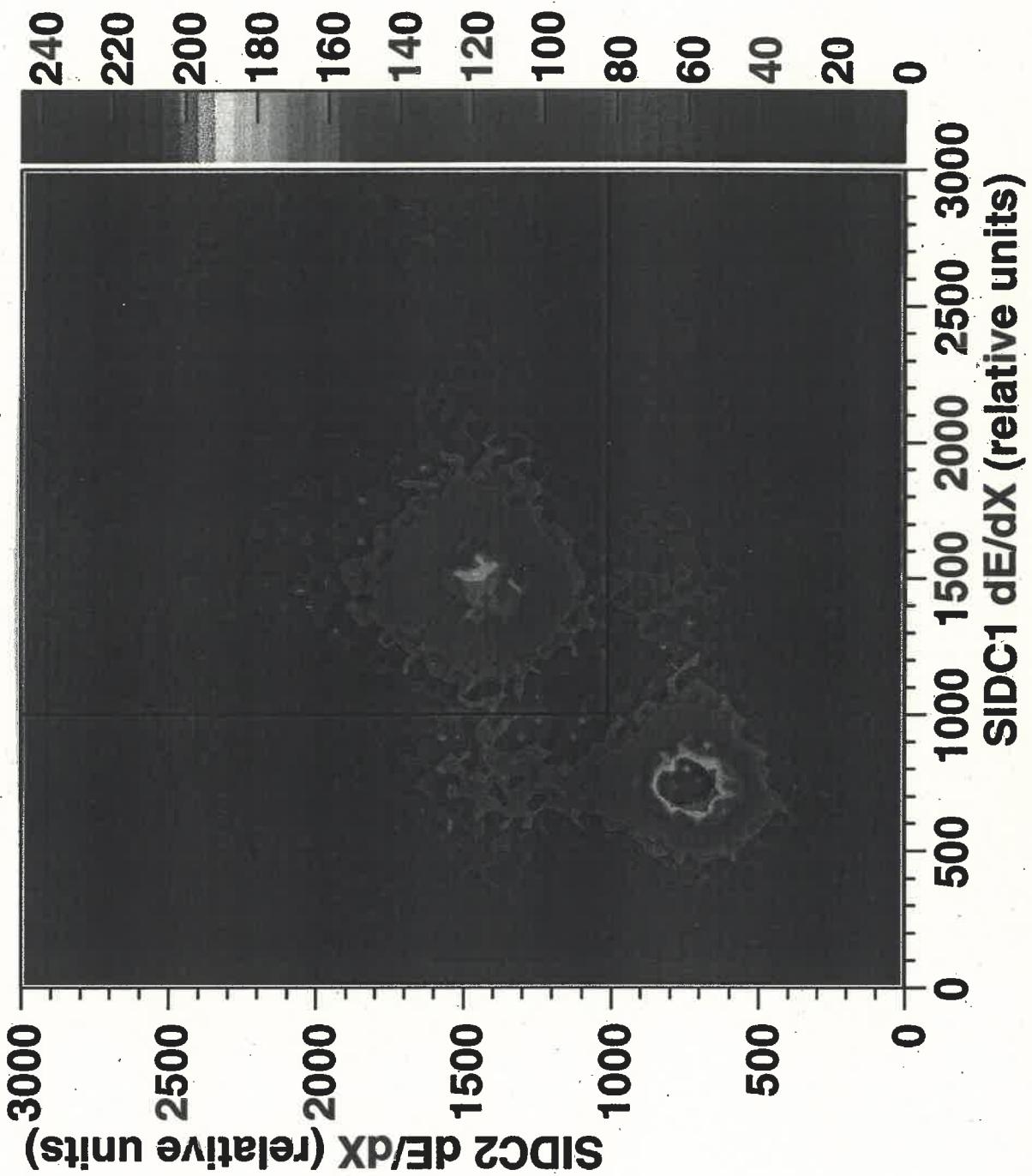
total efficiency

0.94

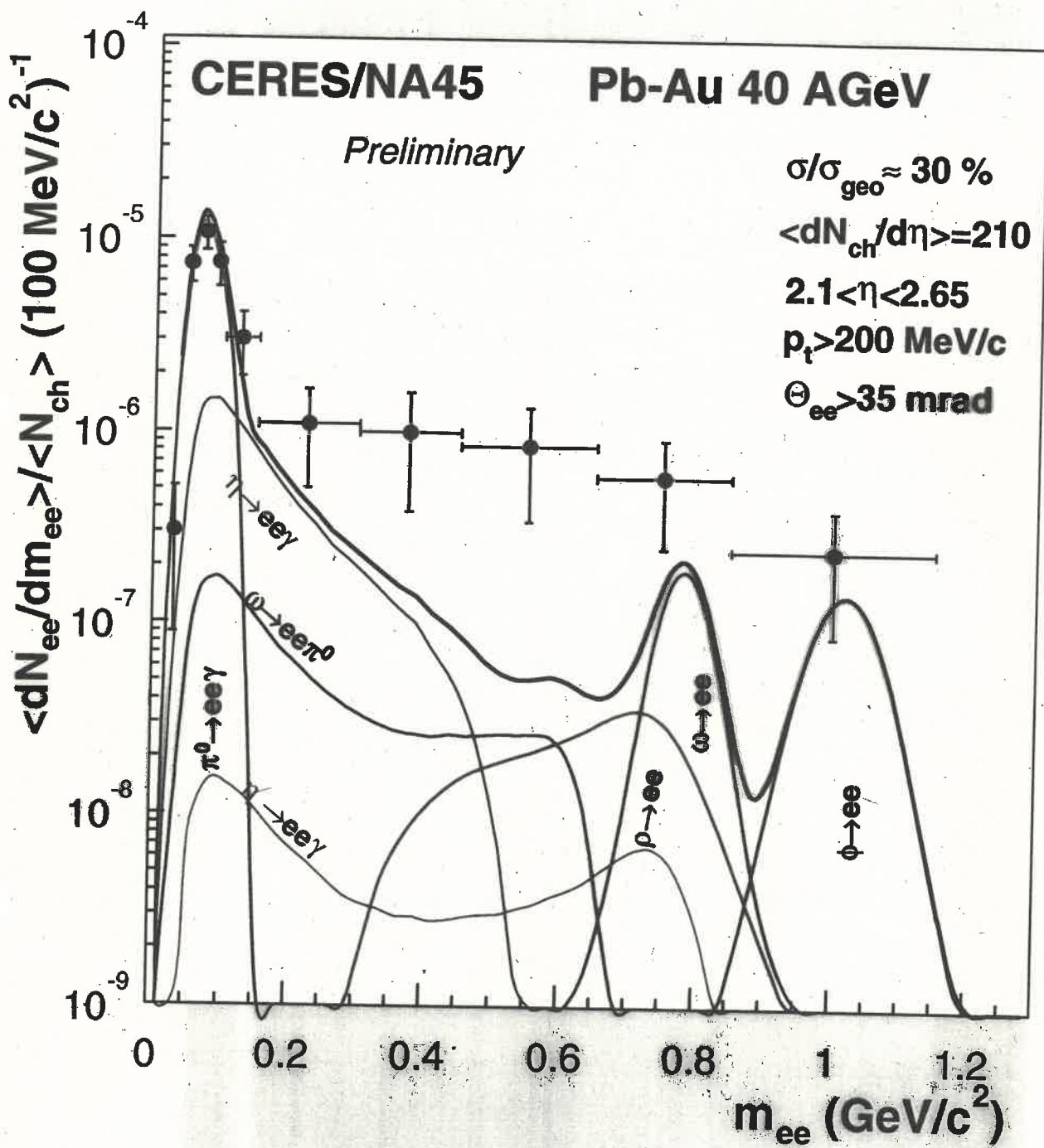
Rejection Of Hadrons



Rejection Of Close Conversion and Dallitz Pairs



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Number of pairs for $m > 0.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$: 180 ± 48

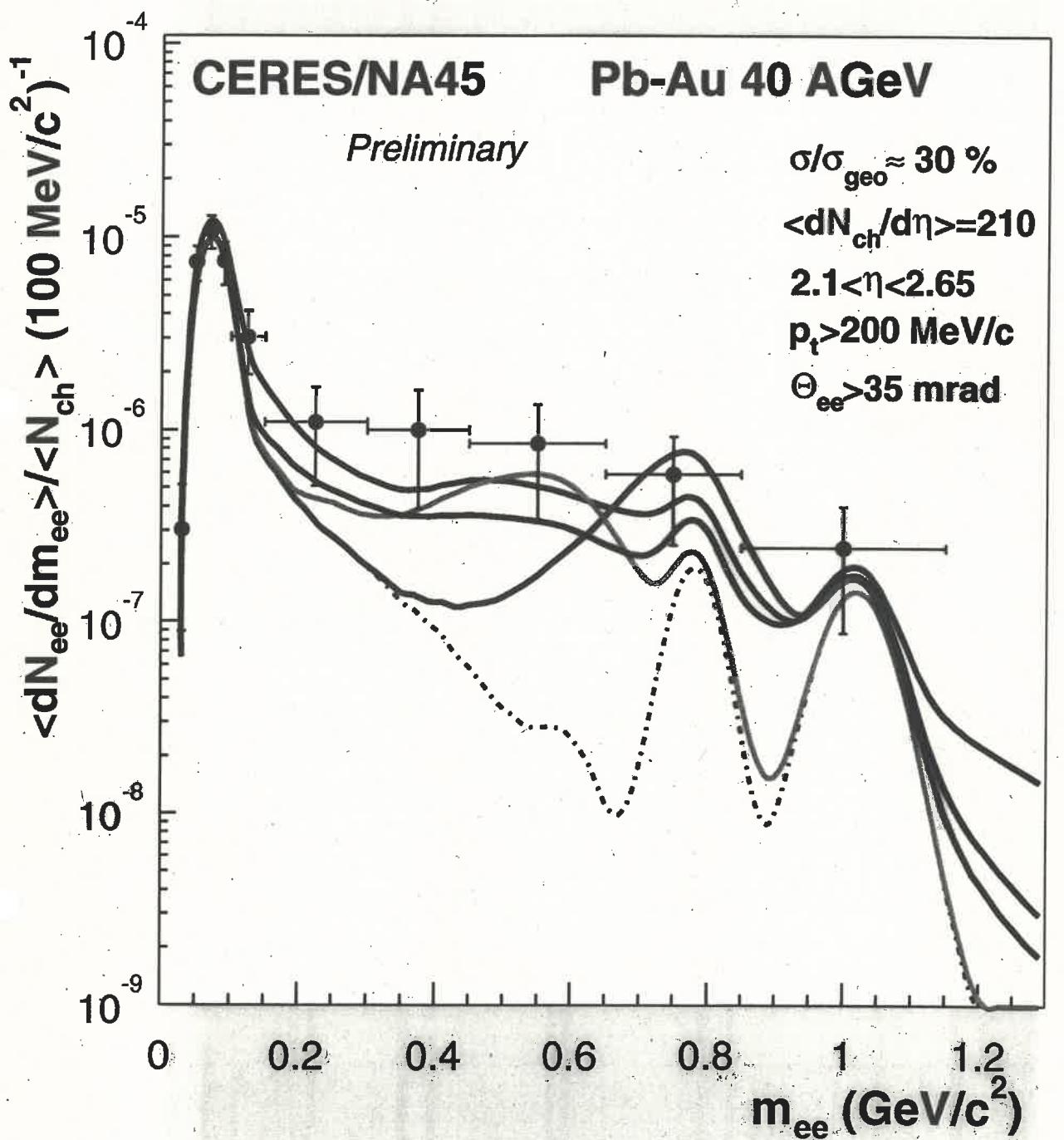
Ratio Signal/Background: 1/6

Hadronic decay cocktail:

- particle ratios taken from thermal model for Pb-Pb
- rapidity and p_t distributions from systematics in Pb-Pb

Enhancement: measured pairs/decay cocktail: 5.0 ± 1.3

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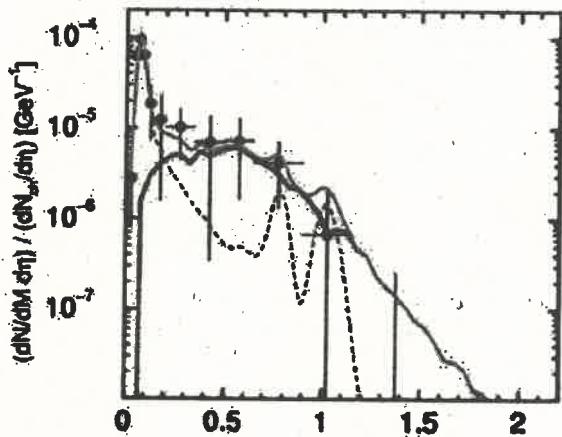


- Hadronic decay cocktail
- + Vacuum rho spectral function
- + Rho spectral function with dropping mass
- + In-medium rho spectral function
- + Lowest order pQCD rate

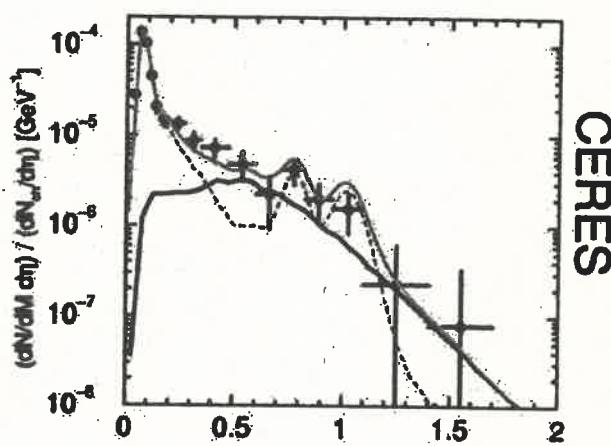
Thermal radiation from QGP

D. Kämpfer et al, hep-ph/0102192, Feb. 2001

40 GeV per nucleon



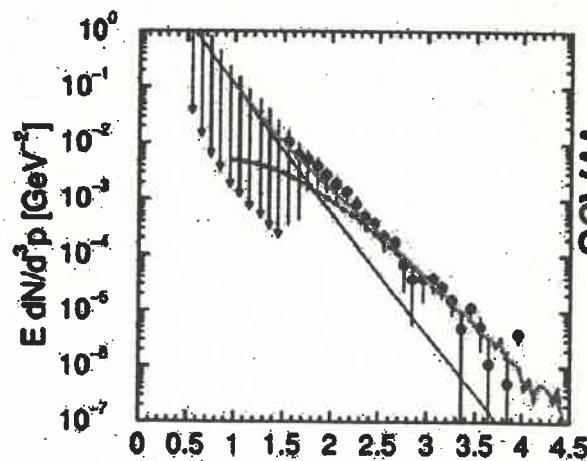
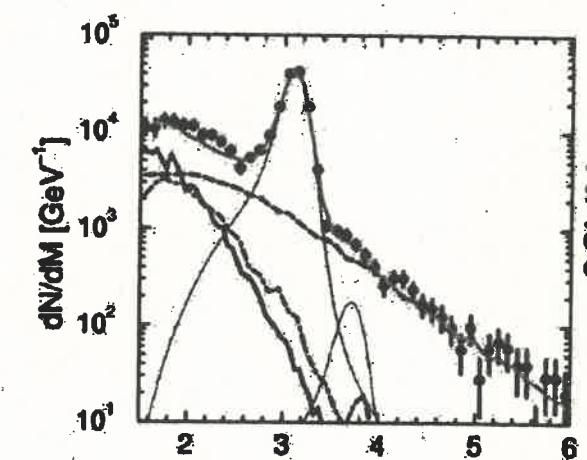
160 GeV per nucleon



CERES

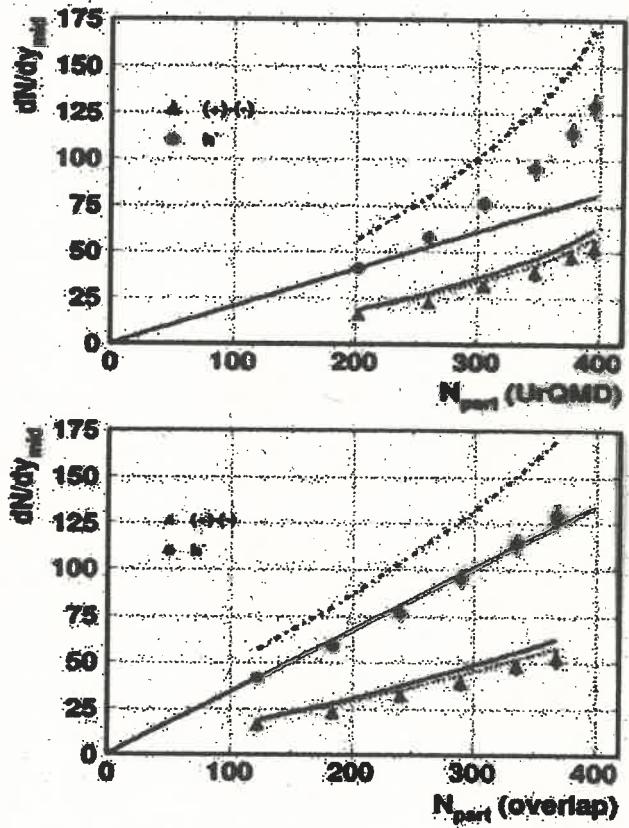
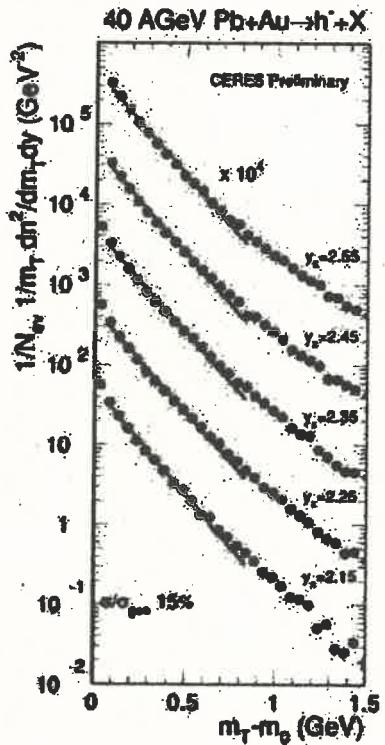
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40 GeV h⁻ spectra

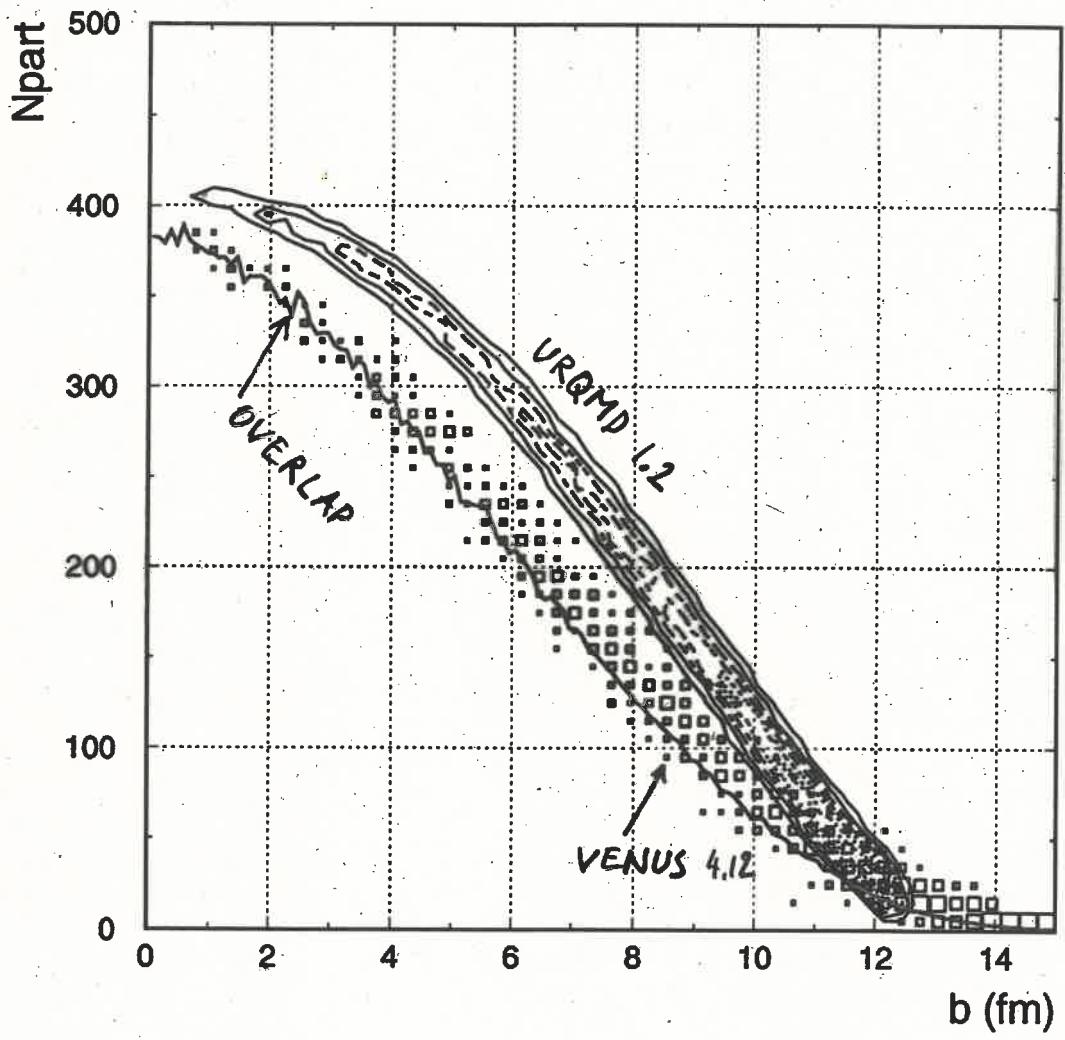
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VERY PRELIMINARY



<http://www.gsi.de/~misko/overlap>



Nuclear overlap via web



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Web interface for a nuclear overlap calculation code

This nuclear overlap code will calculate the number of participants and the number of binary collisions in an nucleus-nucleus collision via the mass distribution within the two colliding nuclei. Please enter the input parameters below.

A: (mass number of the projectile nucleus)

B: (mass number of the target nucleus)

Which density profile do you want?

sharp sphere

Woods-Saxon

sigma: (inelastic NN cross section in mb, recommended values are 30 for 10-200 GeV LAB, 37, 41, 42, 60 for s=54, 130, 200, 3500 GeV, respectively)

Statistics: (number of trials per integral, 1000 is good for a quick test)



A lead lead collision calculation takes typically 10 seconds per thousand trials.

Web interface by Jens Elgeti, Bielefeld

Average number of participants and collisions

from: b- fm or centrality

to: b- fm or centrality

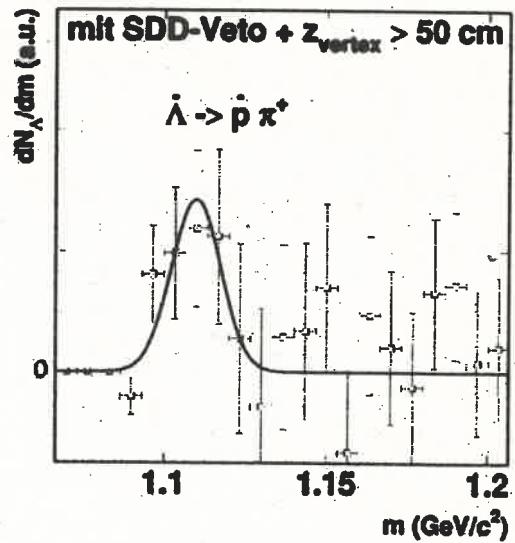
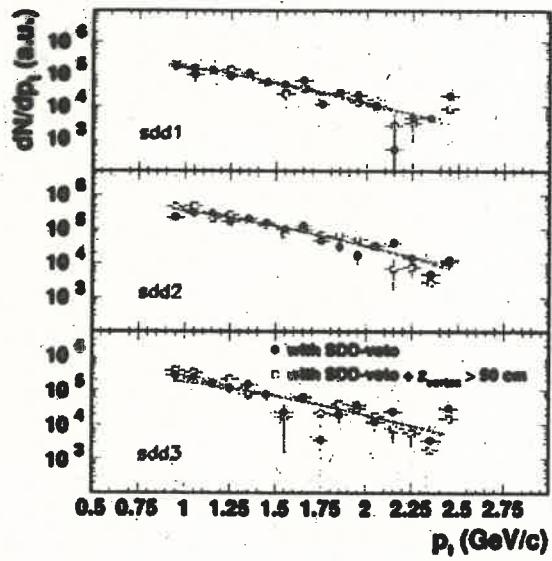
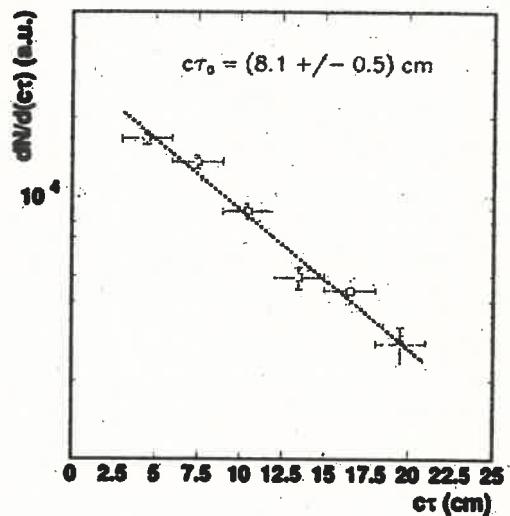
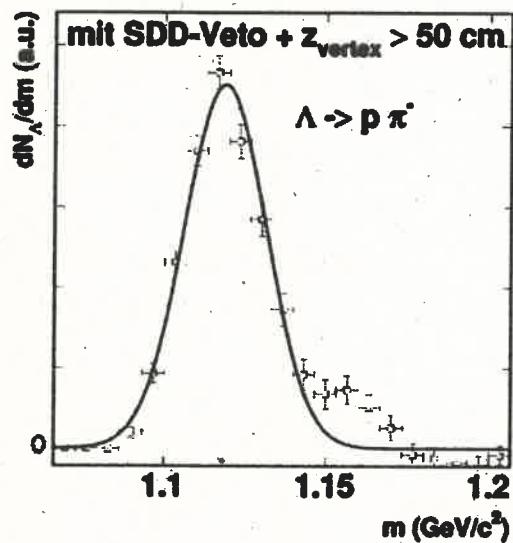


Number of participants:

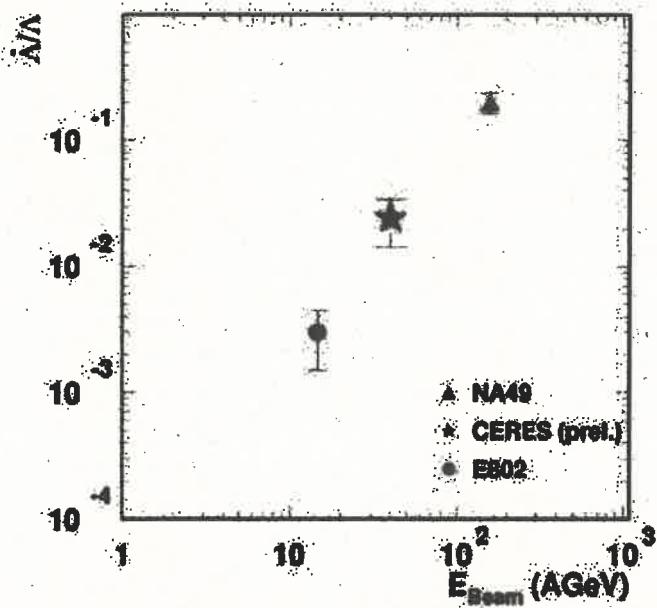
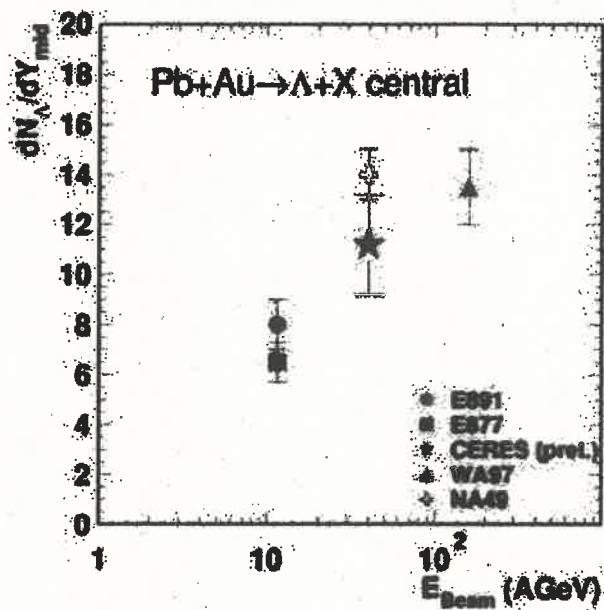
Number of collisions:

Λ Production at 40 GeV

W.Schmitz, nucl-ex/0201002, Jan. 2002



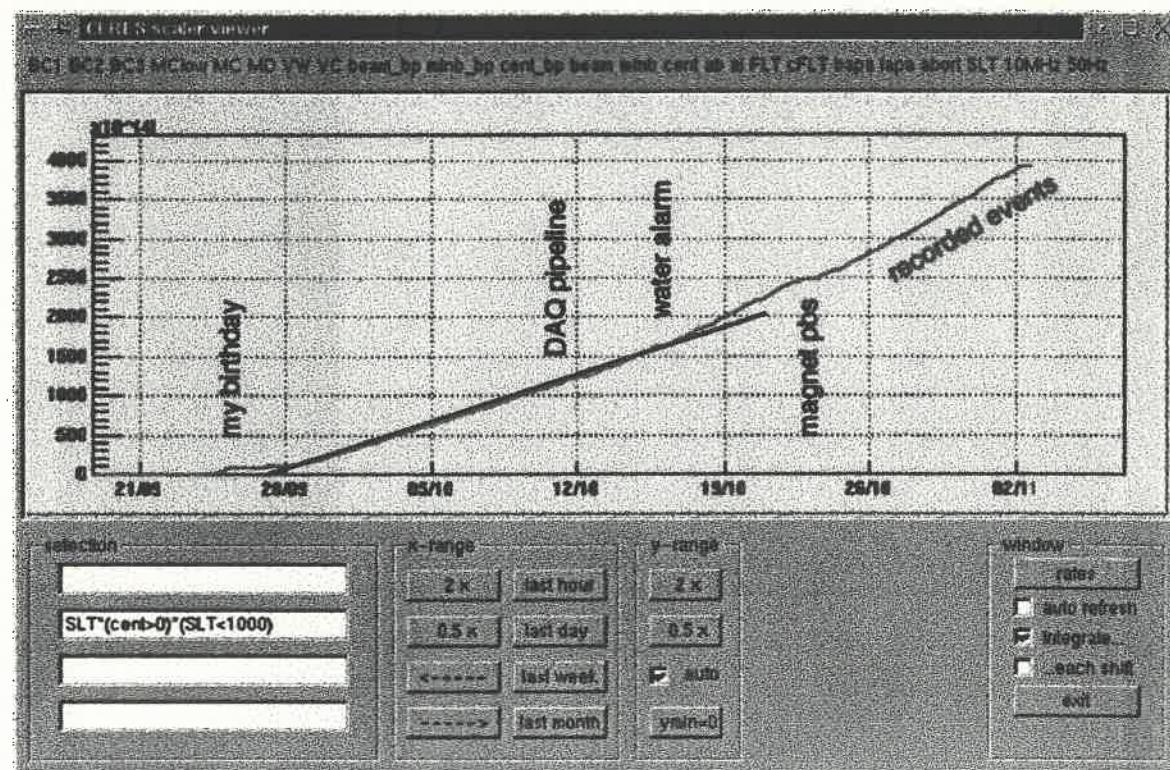
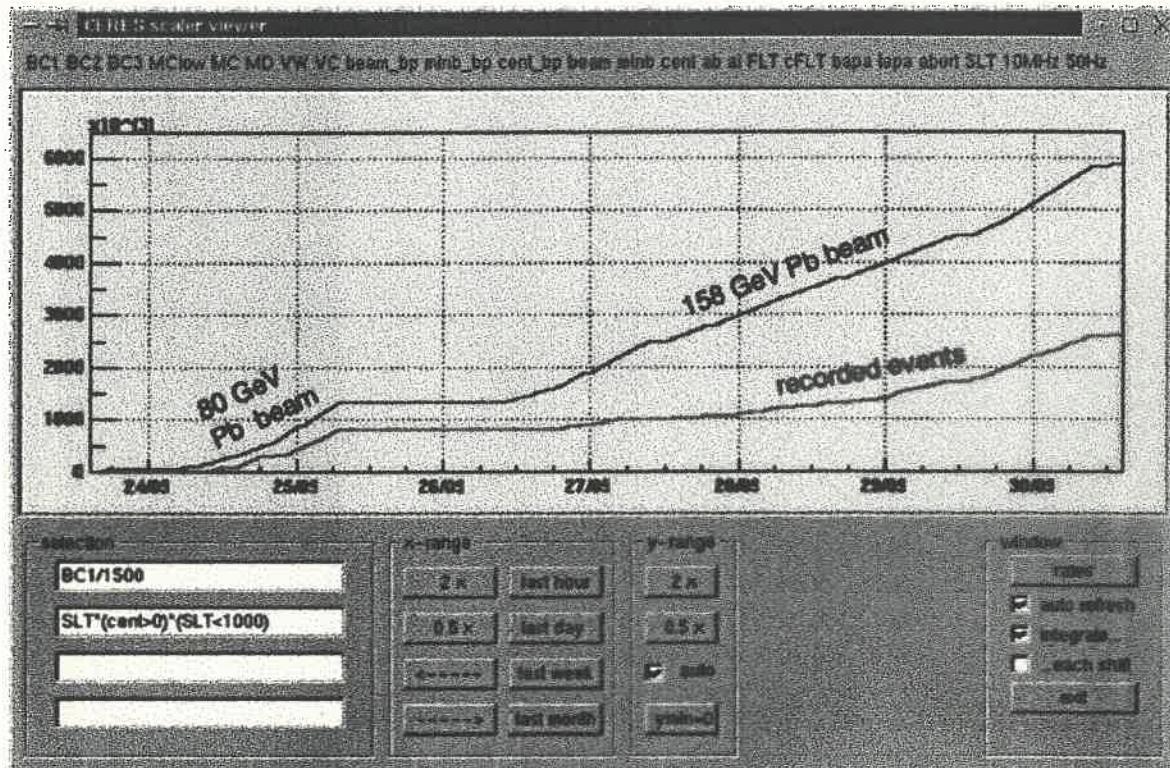
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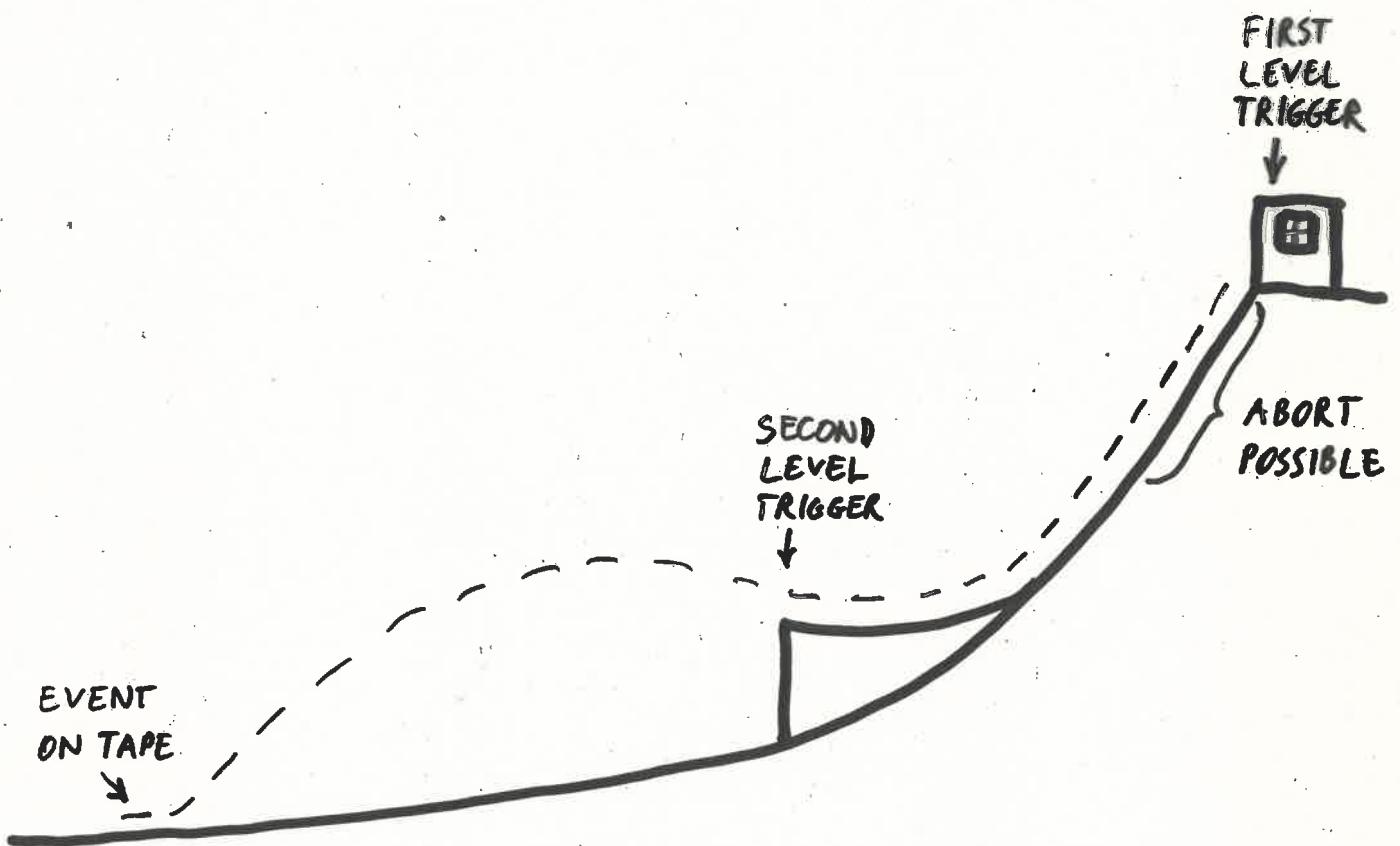


→ Λ and anti- Λ yields fit into the beam energy systematics

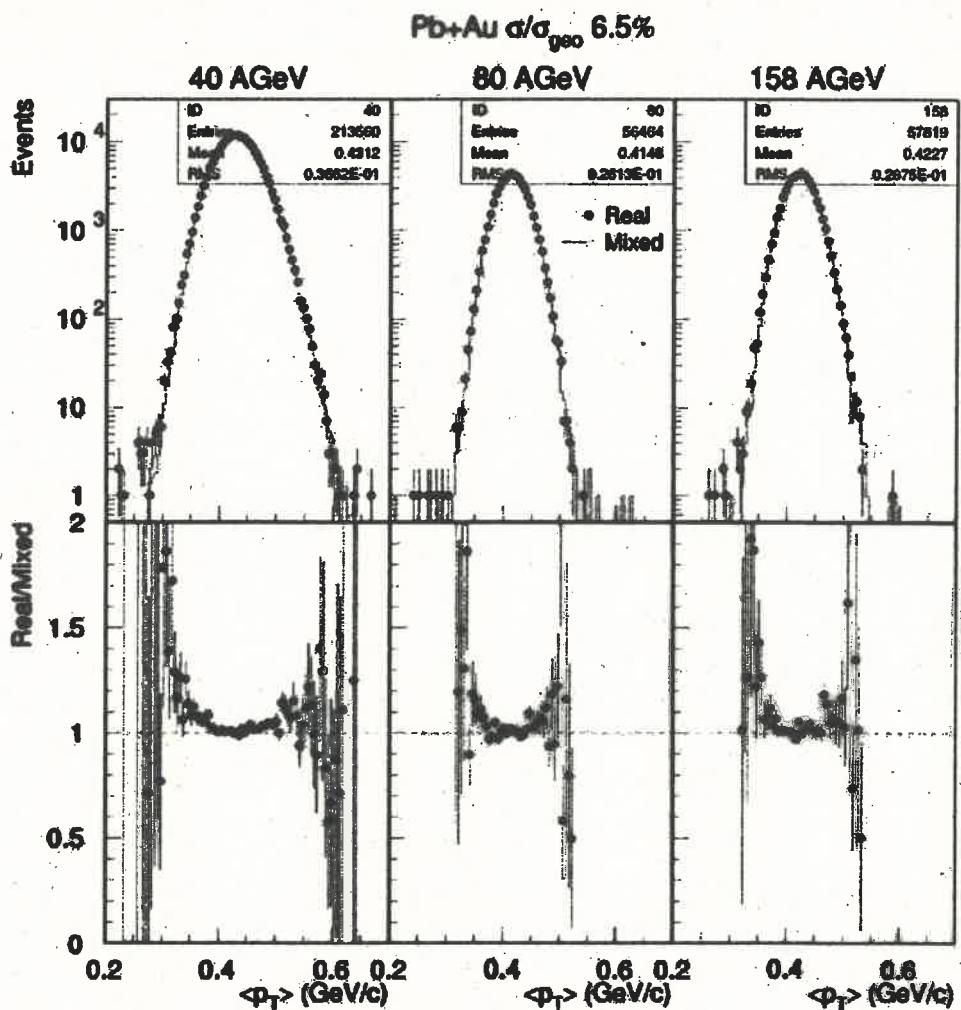
2000 run of CERES

Total events vs time

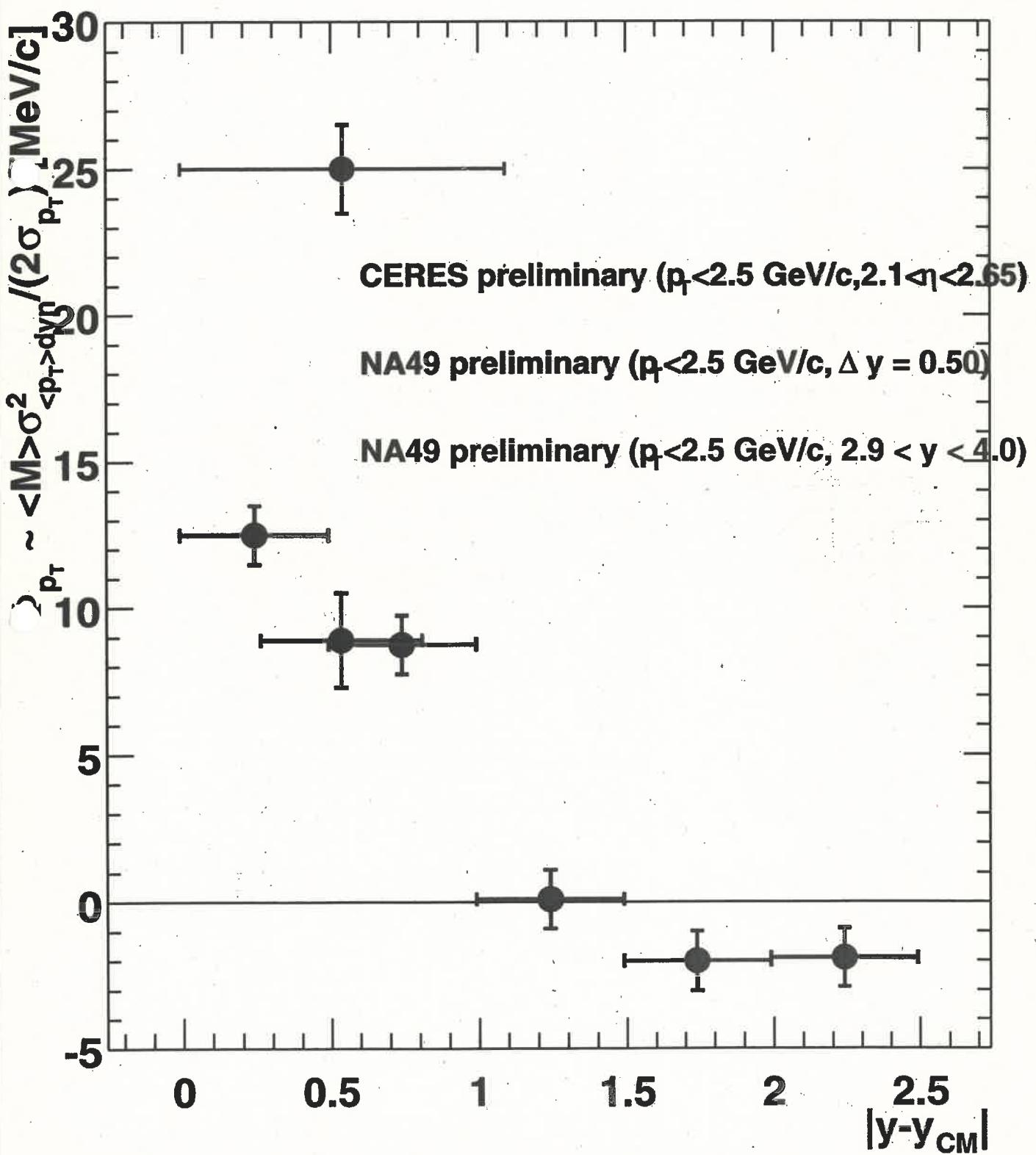




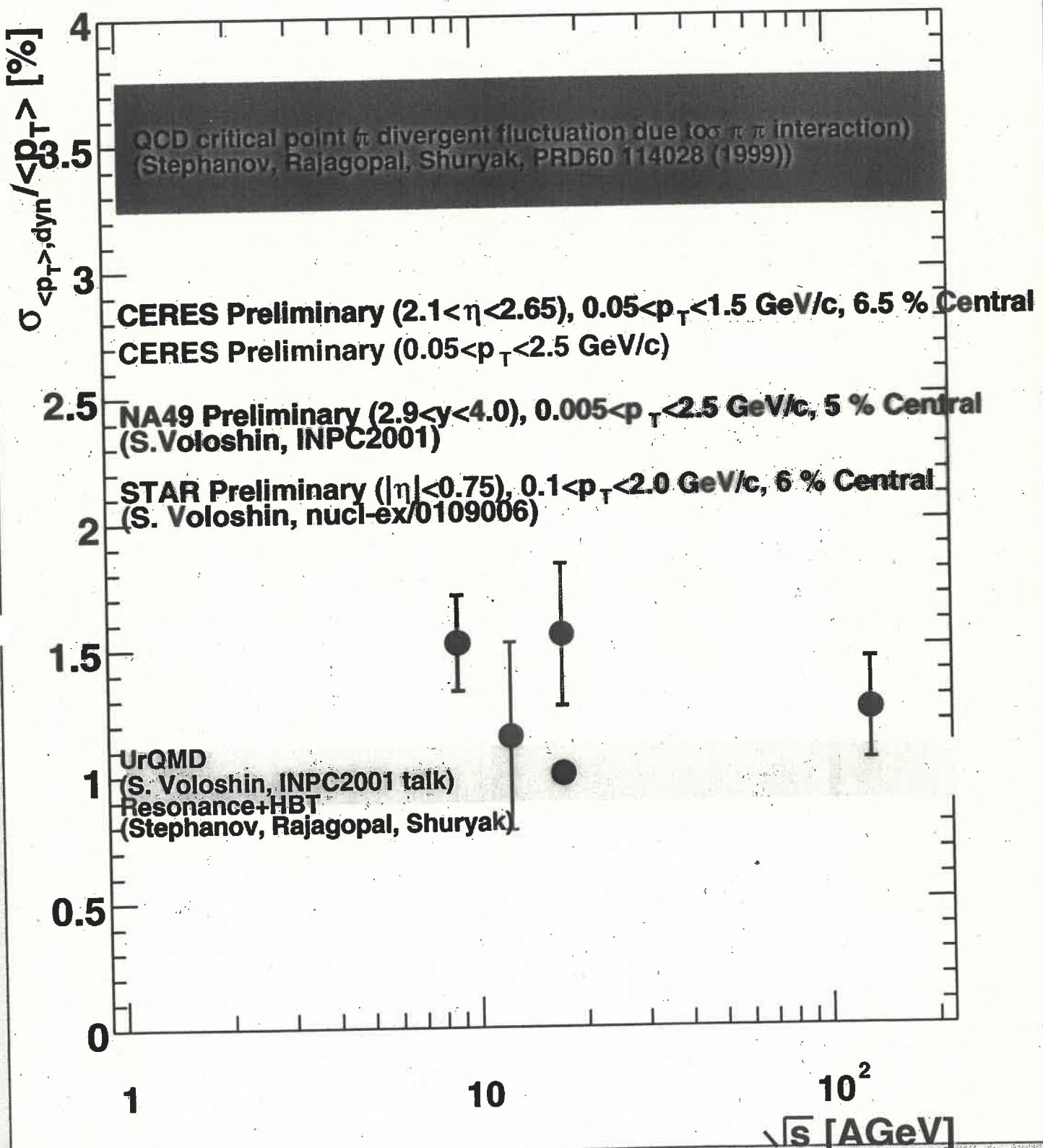
Event by event mean $\langle p_T \rangle$



→ Non-zero event-by-event fluctuations

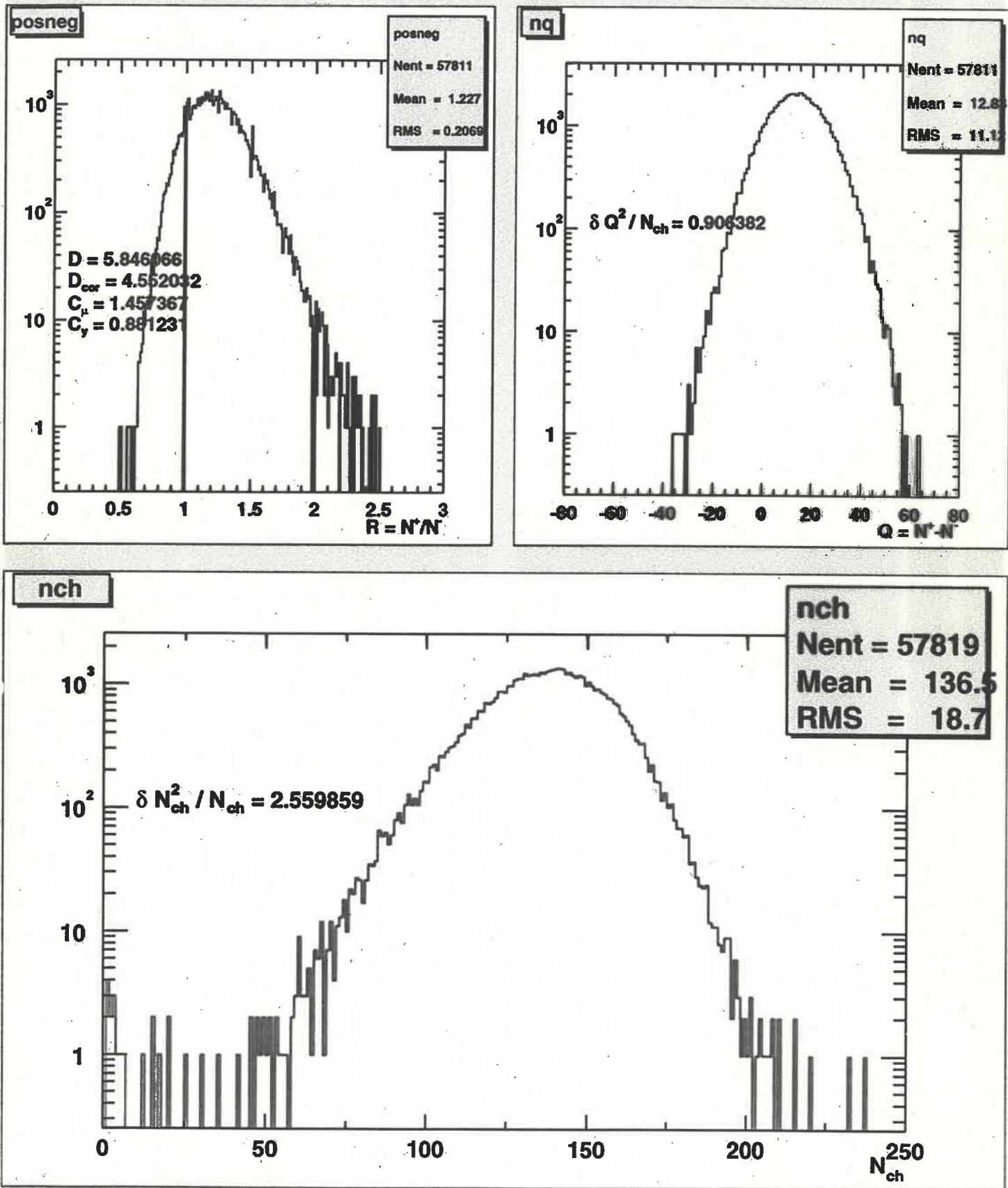
Φ_{p_T} Comparison (158 AGeV/c)

$\sigma_{\langle p_T \rangle, \text{dyn}} / \langle p_T \rangle$ vs beam energy



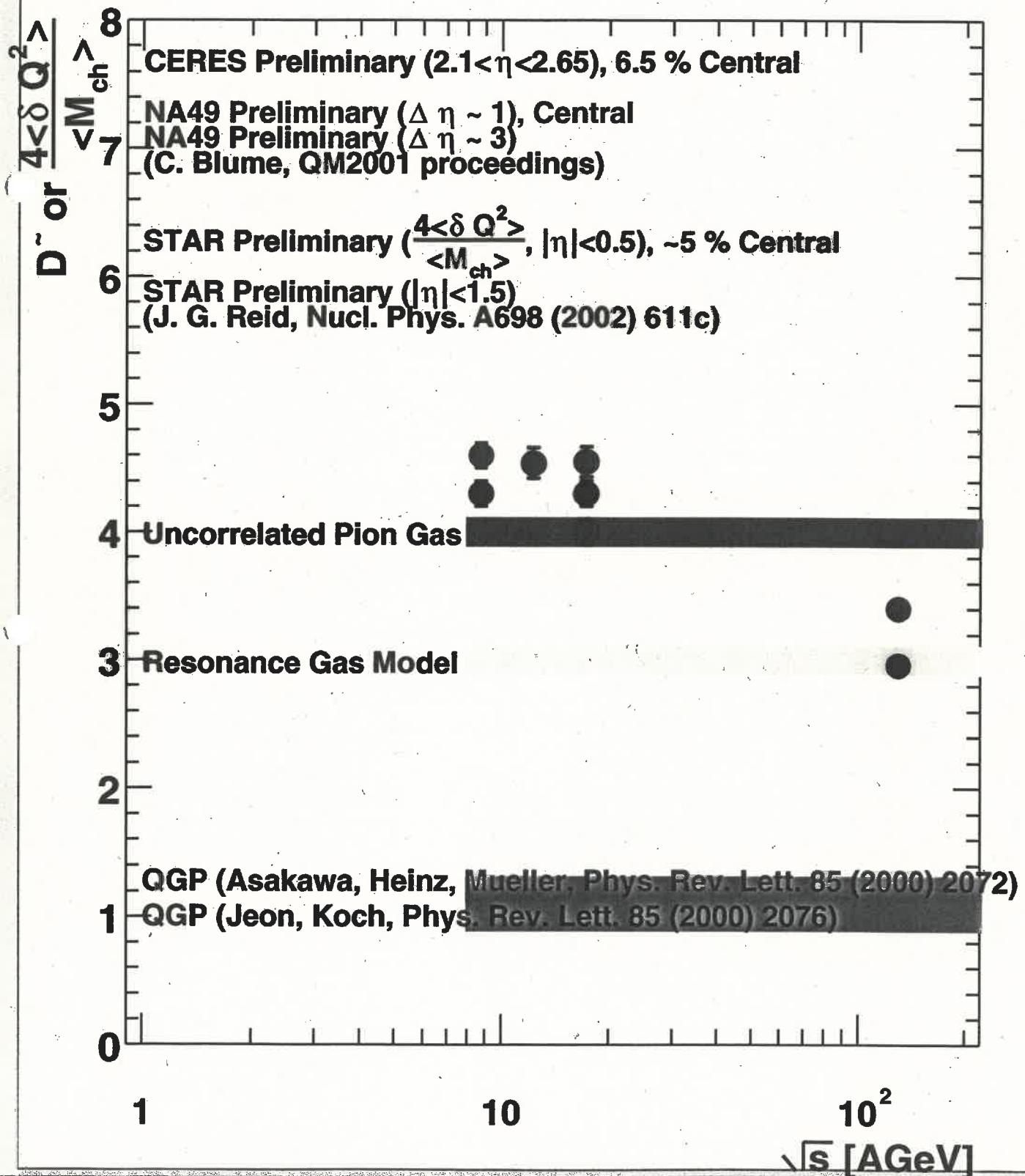
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Preliminary CERES D (158 AGeV, 6.5% central)



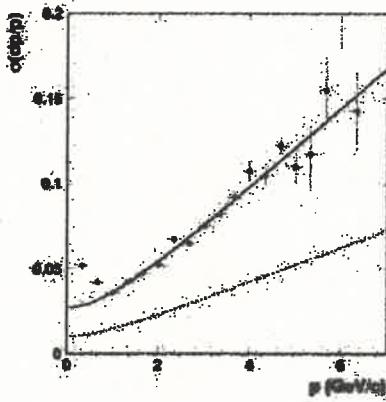
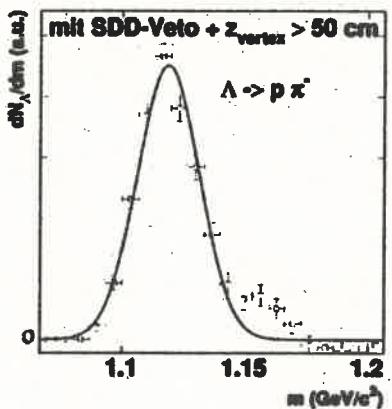
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Charge ratio fluctuation vs beam energy



Current activities

λ at 40 GeV



λ peak too wide
→ Δp too high
→ better calibration needed

calibration of 2000 data

- TPC detailed calculation of E-field
- TPC detailed calculation of B-field
- TPC new hit finding algorithm
- TPC improved tracking algorithm
- RICH event by event monitoring
- SD careful drift velocity calibration
- new 3-d event display

Summary and outlook

- ❖ excess in low mass e+e- spectrum at 40 GeV
 - ❖ no enhanced Lambda production at 40 GeV
 - ❖ over-statistical pt fluctuations at 40-158 GeV
but less than expected around critical point
 - ❖ charge fluctuation like for pion gas
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- ❖ High precision 158 GeV data under way
 - ❖ 20/30 GeV in 2002 to be accepted