

Overview of Minimum-Bias Activities in ALICE and Recent Results

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Content

- LHC exps took HI data...
- Nevertheless some recent MB results from ALICE
 - Identified particle spectra
 - Strangeness + resonances
 - Two-Pion Bose-Einstein Correlations
 - Underlying event
 - π^0 production

pp publications since the last meeting:

- arXiv:1101.3665 ($\pi\pi$ BE corr)
- arXiv:1101.4110 (id. particles)
- arXiv:1012.3257 (strangeness)

HI publications (not discussed today):

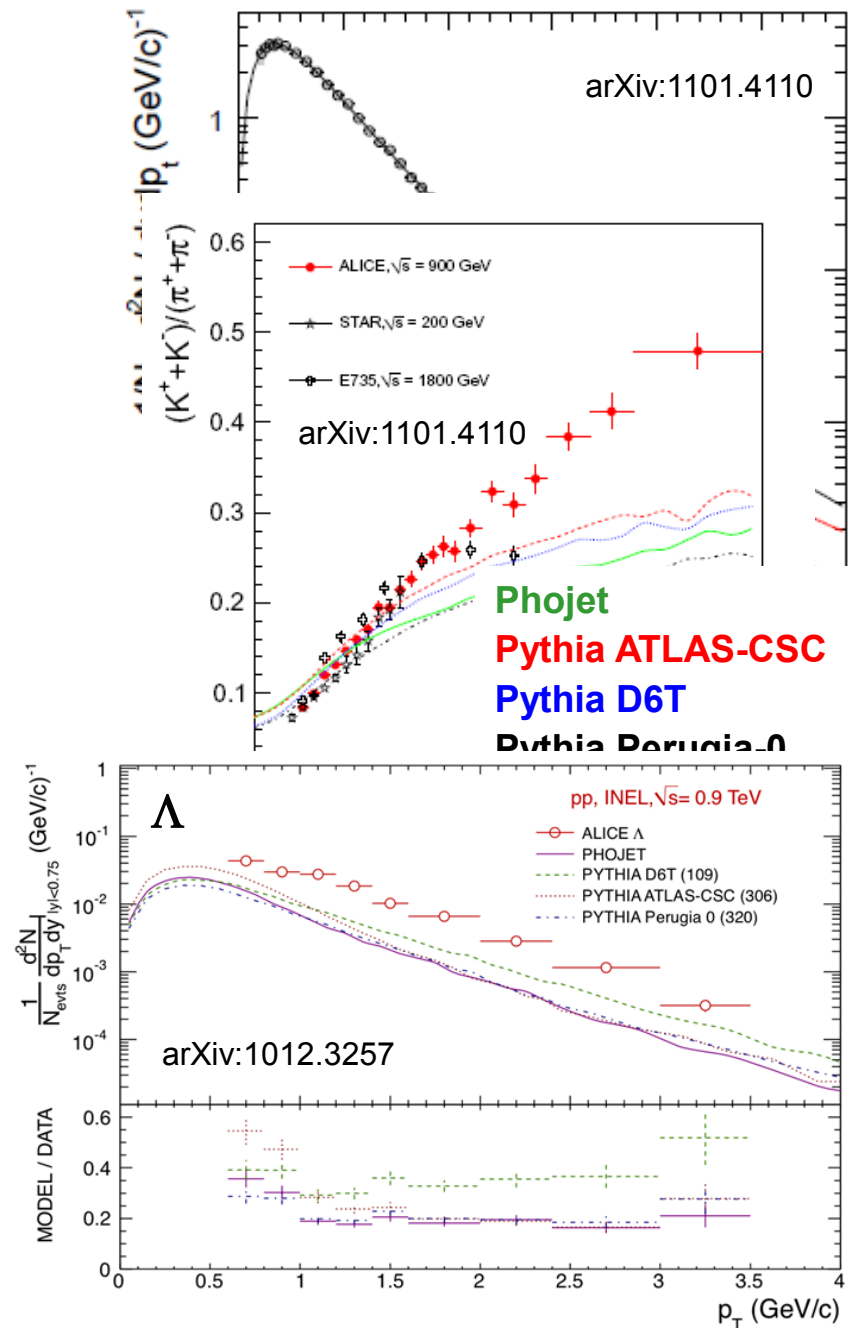
- PRL105, 252301 ($dN_{ch}/d\eta$)
- PRL105, 252302 (elliptic flow)
- PLB696:30 (R_{AA})
- PLB696:328 ($\pi\pi$ BE corr)
- arXiv:1012.1657 ($dN_{ch}/d\eta$ vs. centrality)

MC generator versions used:
D6T/Atlas: Pythia 6.4.14
Perugia-0: Pythia 6.4.21
Phojet 1.12 with Pythia 6.2.14

Identified Particles

- Measurement of π^\pm , K^\pm , p , $p(\bar{p})$ at 900 GeV (arXiv:1101.4110)
 - $0.1 < p_T < 2.5$ GeV/c
 - Combining specific energy loss and time of flight information as well as kink topologies
- Strange particle production at 900 GeV (arXiv:1012.3257)
 - K_S^0 , ϕ , Λ , Ξ
 - Yields, ratios and p_T spectra
 - Model comparisons

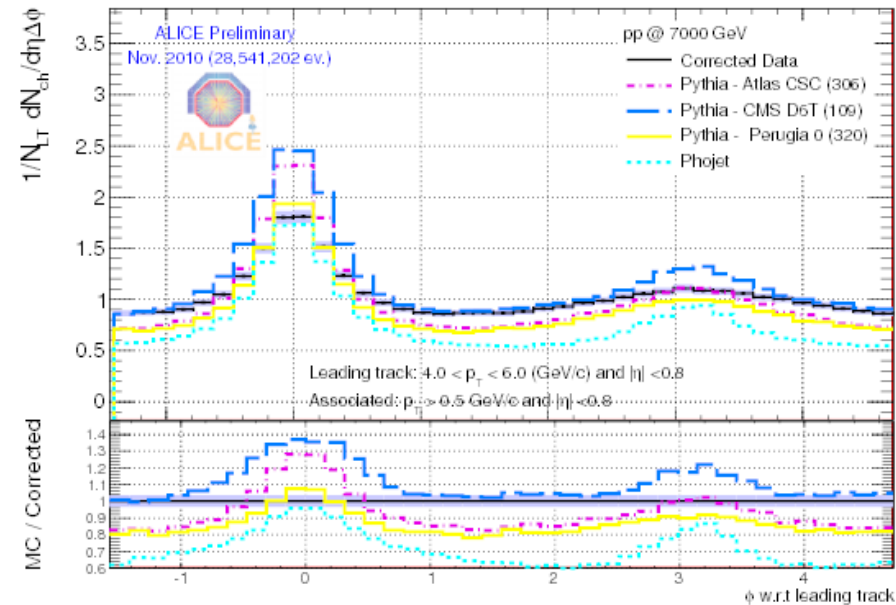
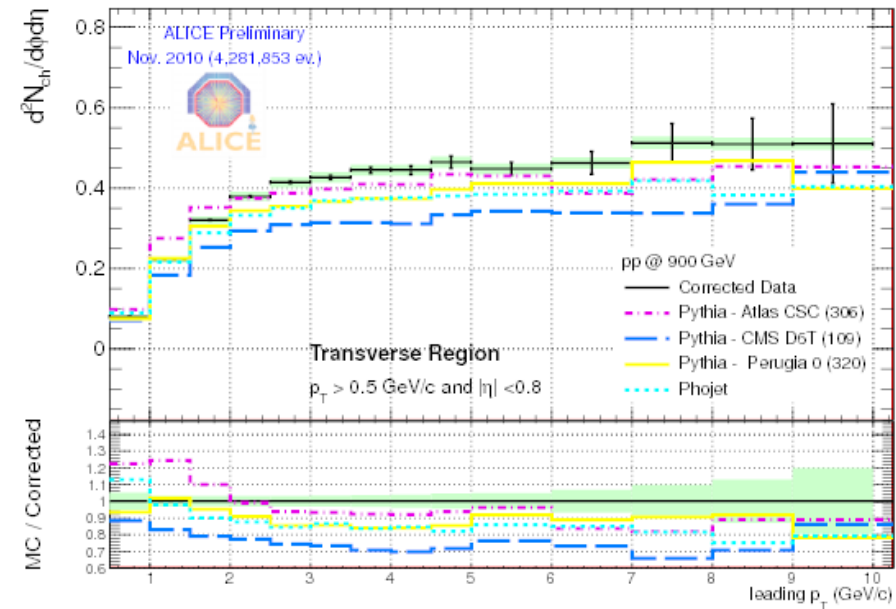
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Underlying Event

- N_{ch} and Σp_T as function of leading track p_T
 - In towards, away and transverse region
 - For $p_T > 0.15, 0.5$ and 1
 - 900 GeV and 7 TeV
 - Includes the common plot definitions
- $\Delta\phi$ distribution w.r.t the leading track in $p_{T,lead}$ bins
- Plans
 - Additional distributions: standard deviations of N_{ch} and Σp_T as well as $\langle p_T \rangle$
 - Lower associated p_T (0.15 GeV)

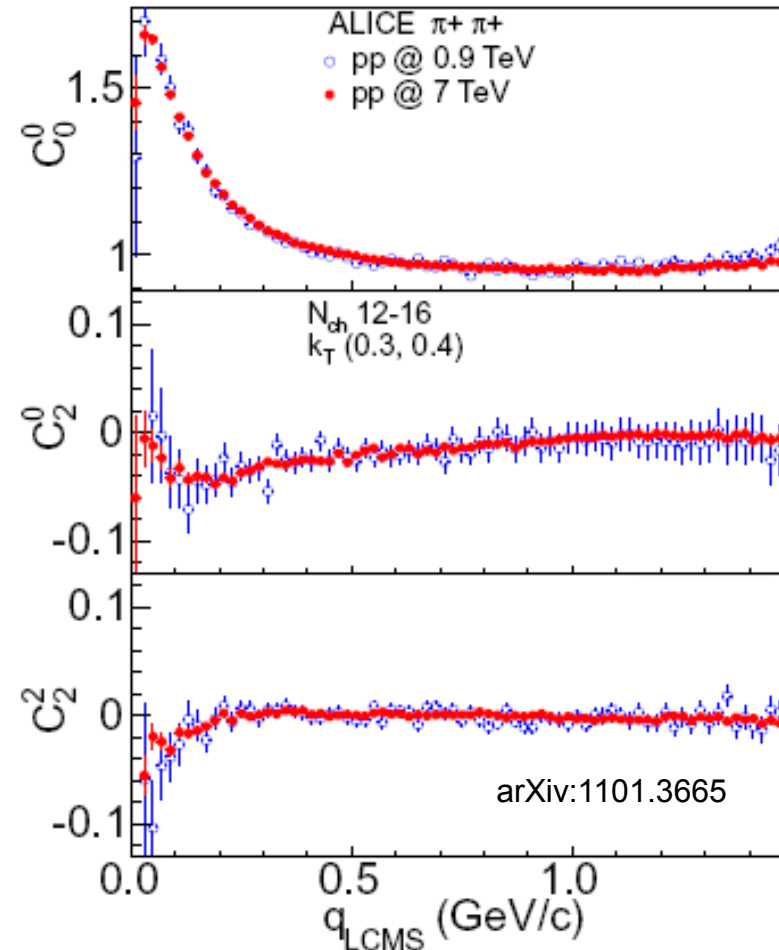
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Two-Pion Bose-Einstein Correlations

(arXiv:1101.3665)

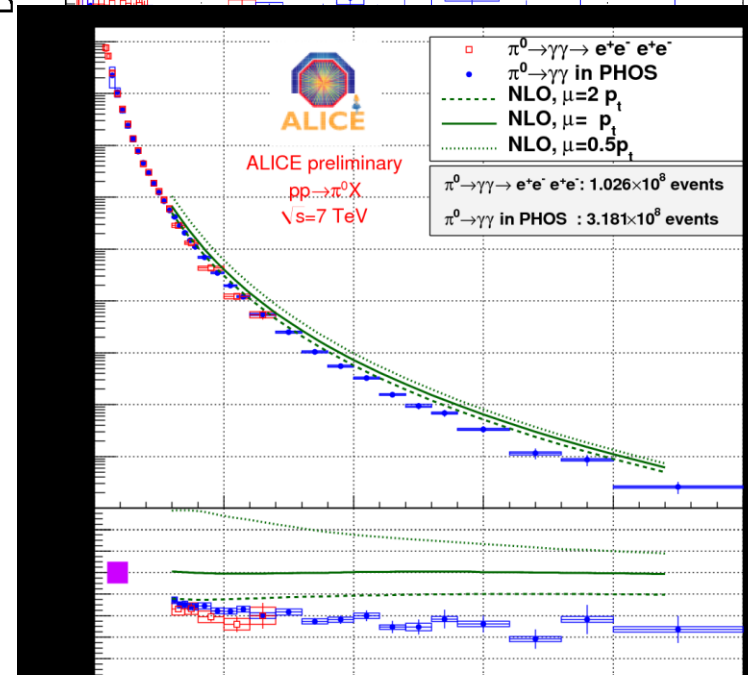
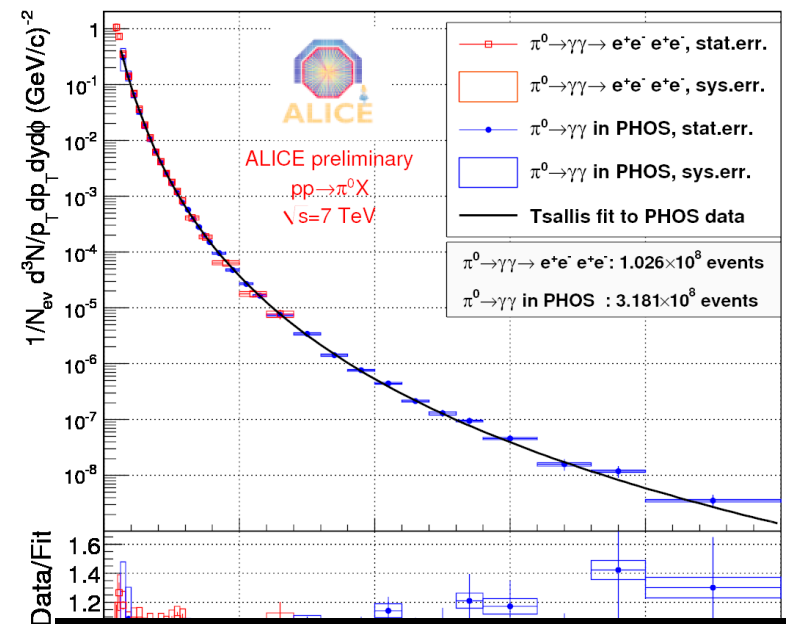
- Measure Bose-Einstein enhancement of identical-pion pairs to assess size of the emitting source
 - At small momentum differences
 - $q = p_2 - p_1$ as function of multiplicity and pair momentum
 - $k_T = |p_{T,1} + p_{T,2}|/2$
- Source sizes are extracted in 3d
- Radii grow with multiplicity
- At high multiplicity, the k_T dependence resembles qualitatively behavior found in HI collisions \rightarrow collectivity in high-multiplicity pp collisions?
- Similar correlation functions in same multiplicity and k_T momentum bin at 0.9 and 7 TeV \rightarrow independent of \sqrt{s}



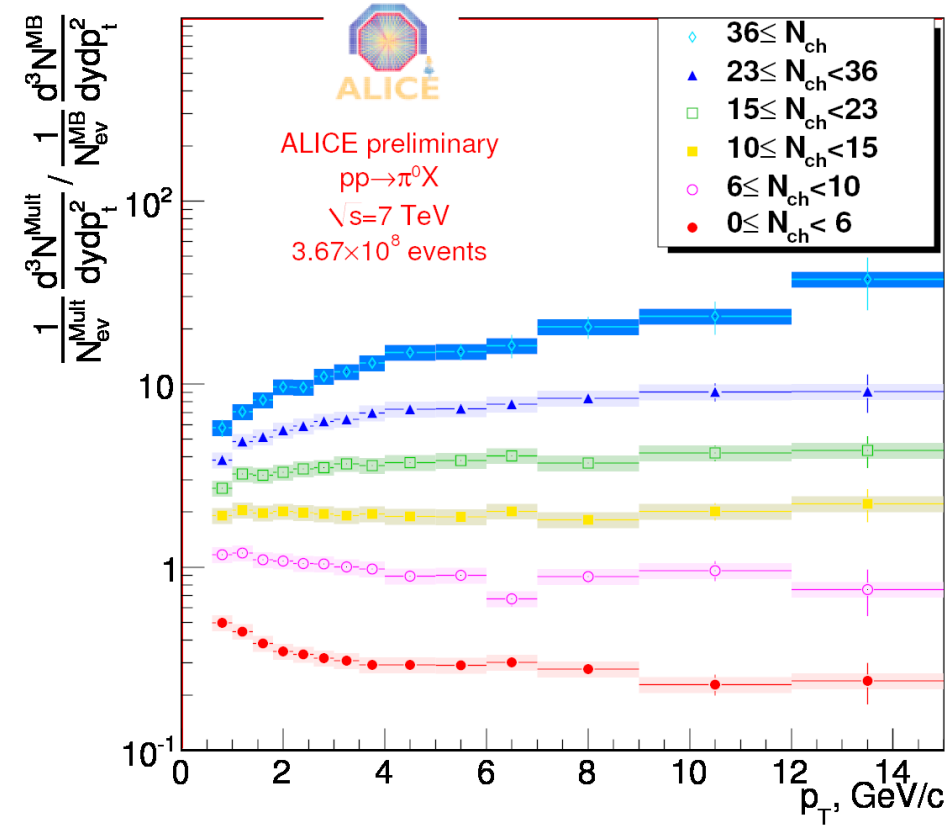
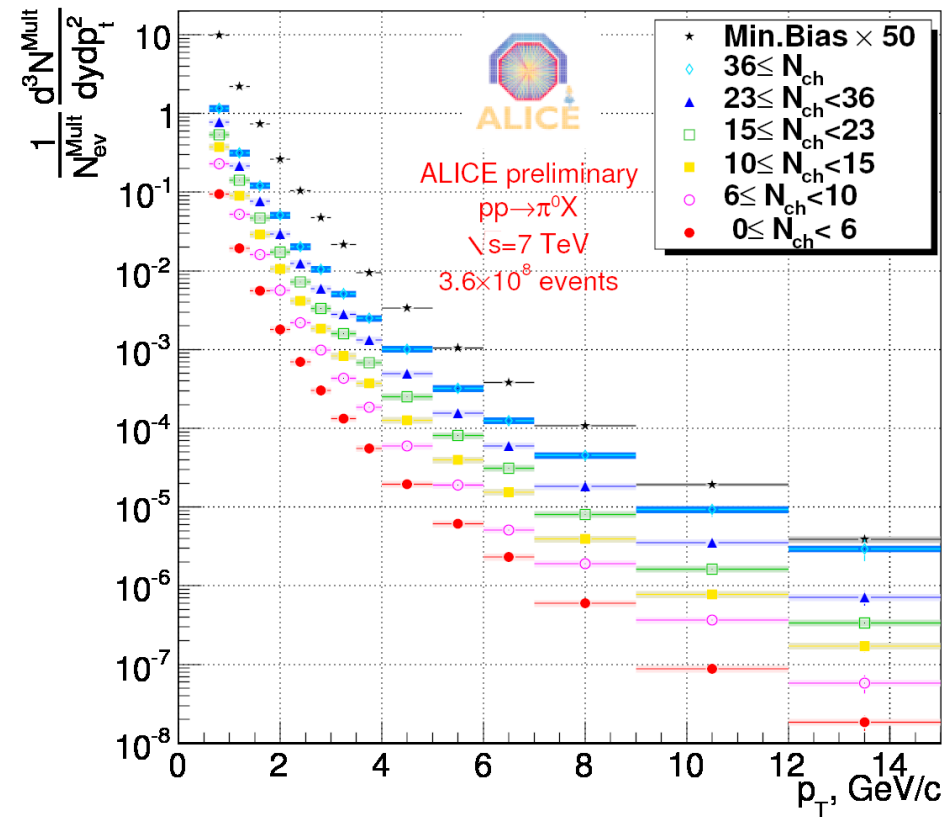
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π^0 Production

- Consistent measurement with calorimeter and conversions
- Invariant normalized π^0 yield fitted by Tsallis parameterization
- Cross-section compared to NLO pQCD
 - Main uncertainty is the pp cross section



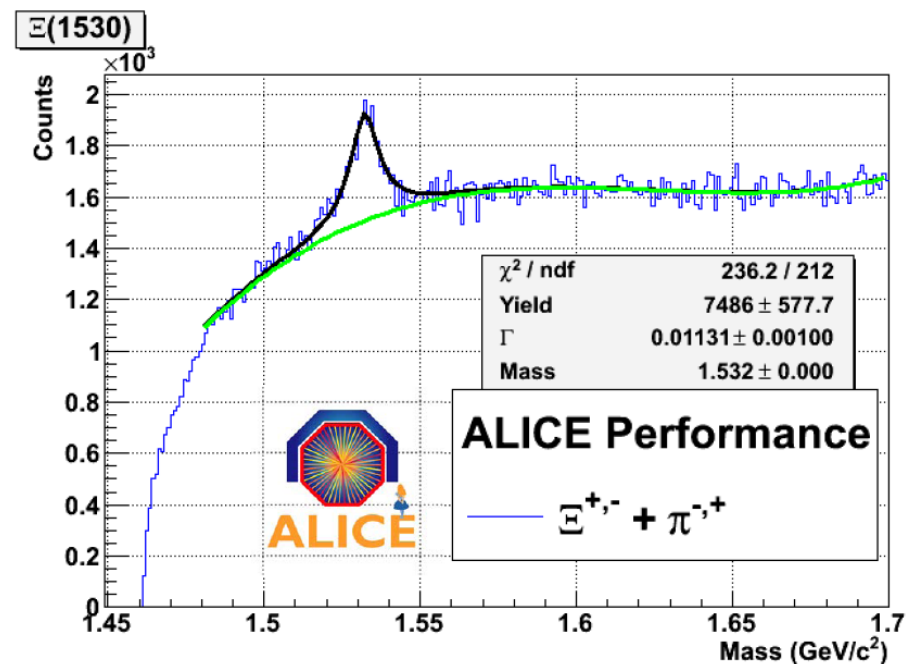
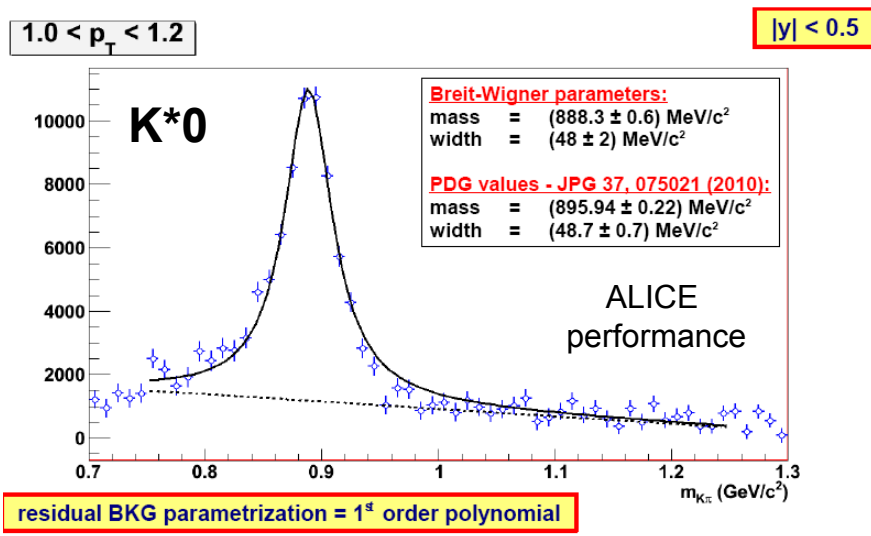
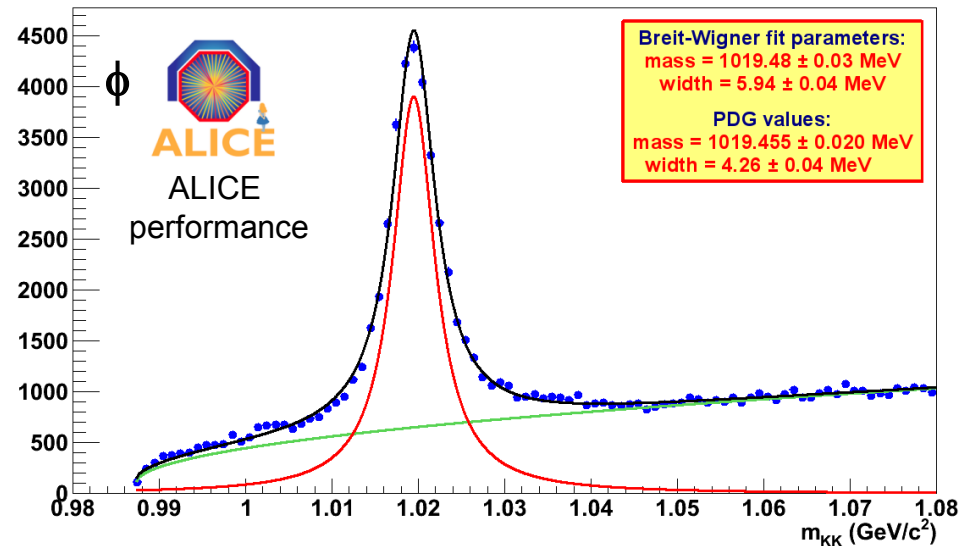
π^0 vs. Multiplicity



→ Spectra become harder (up to 4-5 GeV) with multiplicity
 → Independent of multiplicity above 6 GeV

Strange Resonances

- $K^*(892)^0$, $\phi(1020)$, $\Sigma(1385)^\pm$, $\Xi(1530)^0$
- Yields, ratios, multiplicity dependence



Summary MB & UE Results

	Other Normalization		<i>Common Plot</i> Normalization	
	0.9 TeV	7 TeV	0.9 TeV	7 TeV
MB1 $dN_{ch}/d\eta$	INEL/NSD/INEL>0 ($p_T>0$) EPJC 68 (2010) 89 and 345	INEL>0 EPJC 68 (2010) 345	Preliminary (since Sep 10) Public note in preparation	Preliminary in preparation
MB2 dN_{ch}/dp_T	INEL/NSD arXiv:1007.0719	Publication in preparation	In progress	
MB3 multiplicity	INEL/NSD/INEL>0 ($p_T>0$) EPJC Vol. 68 (2010) 89 and 345	INEL>0 EPJC 68 (2010) 345	In progress	
MB4 $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs. N_{ch}	INEL ($p_T>0.15$) PLB693:53 (2010)		In progress	
UE $N_{ch}, \langle P_{T,sum} \rangle$			Preliminary (since Dec 10) Public note in preparation	

Summary

- New published results on Two-pion Bose-Einstein correlations (at 7 TeV), charged hadron production (at 900 GeV) and strangeness production (at 900 GeV)
- Preliminary results on underlying event and π^0 production
- Charged hadron and strangeness production (including further resonances) at 7 TeV in progress

ALICE is a happy girl right now...

