

# $\Xi_c^0$ production vs multiplicity via hadronic decay in pp at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV



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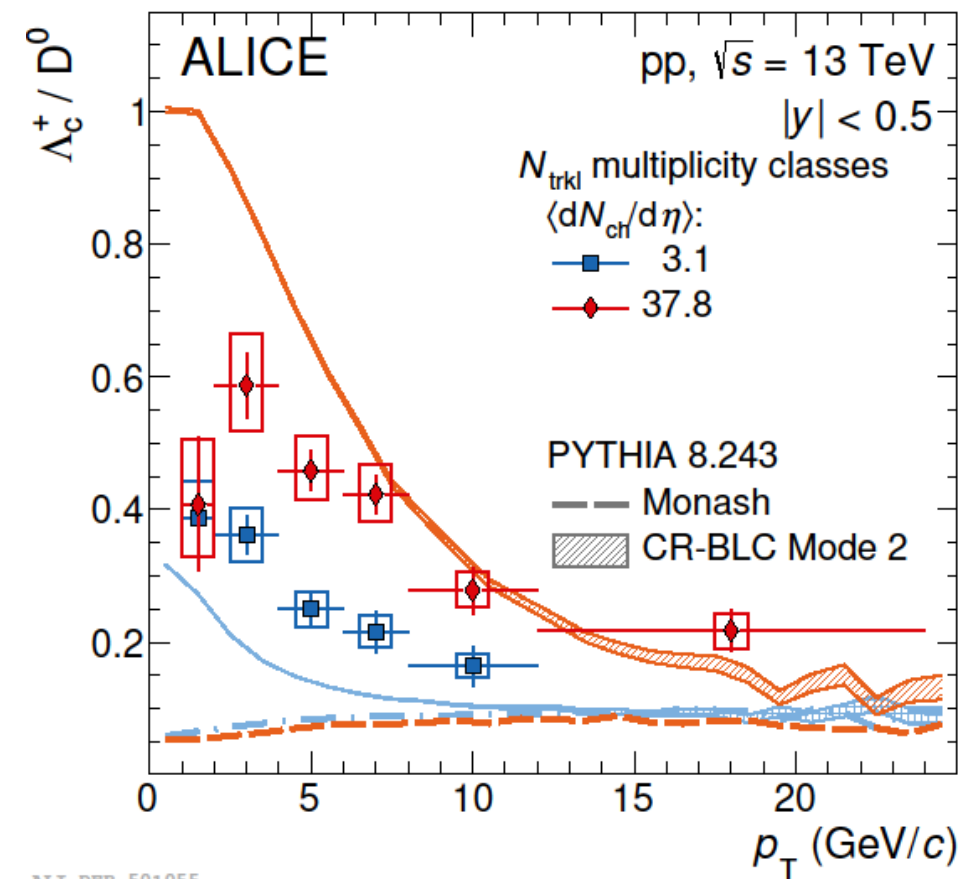


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## Motivation

The heavy-flavour production cross section can be calculated as a convolution of three terms

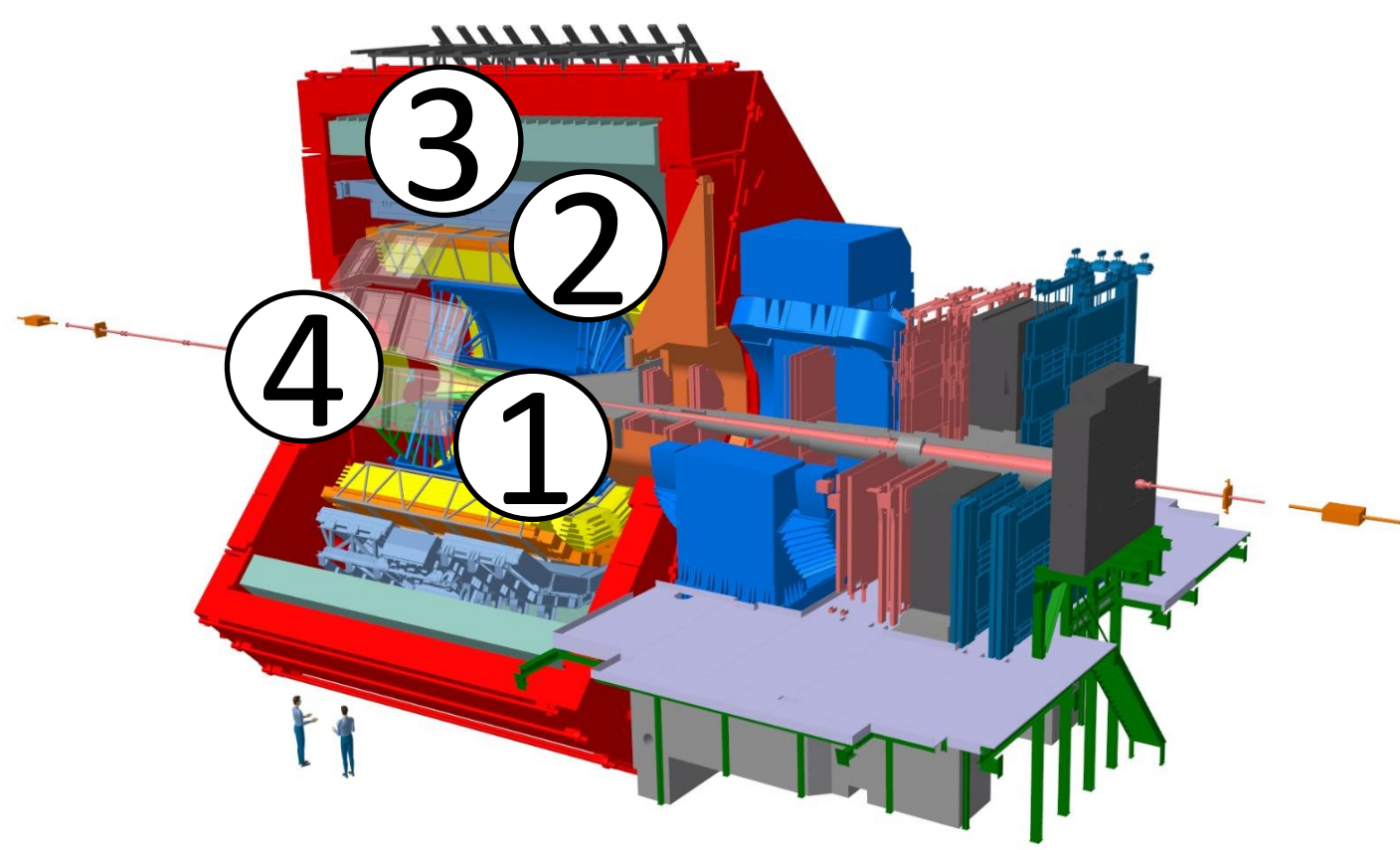
$$\frac{d\sigma^D}{dp_T}(p_T; u_F; u_R) = \text{PDF}(x_1, u_F) \text{PDF}(x_2, u_F) \otimes \frac{d\sigma^c}{dp_T^c}(x_1, x_2, u_R, u_F) \otimes D_{c \rightarrow D}(z = p_D/p_c, u_F)$$



- The measurements of the  $\Lambda_c^0/D^0$  and  $\Xi_c^{0,+}/D^0$  cross section ratios in pp collisions are systematically larger with respect to measurements in  $e^+e^-$  and ep collision
- The  $p_T$ -differential yield ratio of  $\Lambda_c^+/D^0$  shows a significant multiplicity dependence.

The measurement of the multiplicity dependence of  $\Xi_c^0/D^0$  yield ratio can provide further constraints on the study of charm hadronization.

## The ALICE detector and data set (Run 2)



1. Inner Tracking System (ITS): trigger, tracking, vertexing
2. Time Projection Chamber (TPC): tracking, PID via  $dE/dx$
3. Time Of Flight (TOF): PID via time-of-flight measurement
4. V0: trigger, multiplicity

Data set: pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV collected by ALICE in 2016, 2017, 2018. The measured charge-particle multiplicity classes are [0-100], [30-100], [0.1-30], [0-0.1]

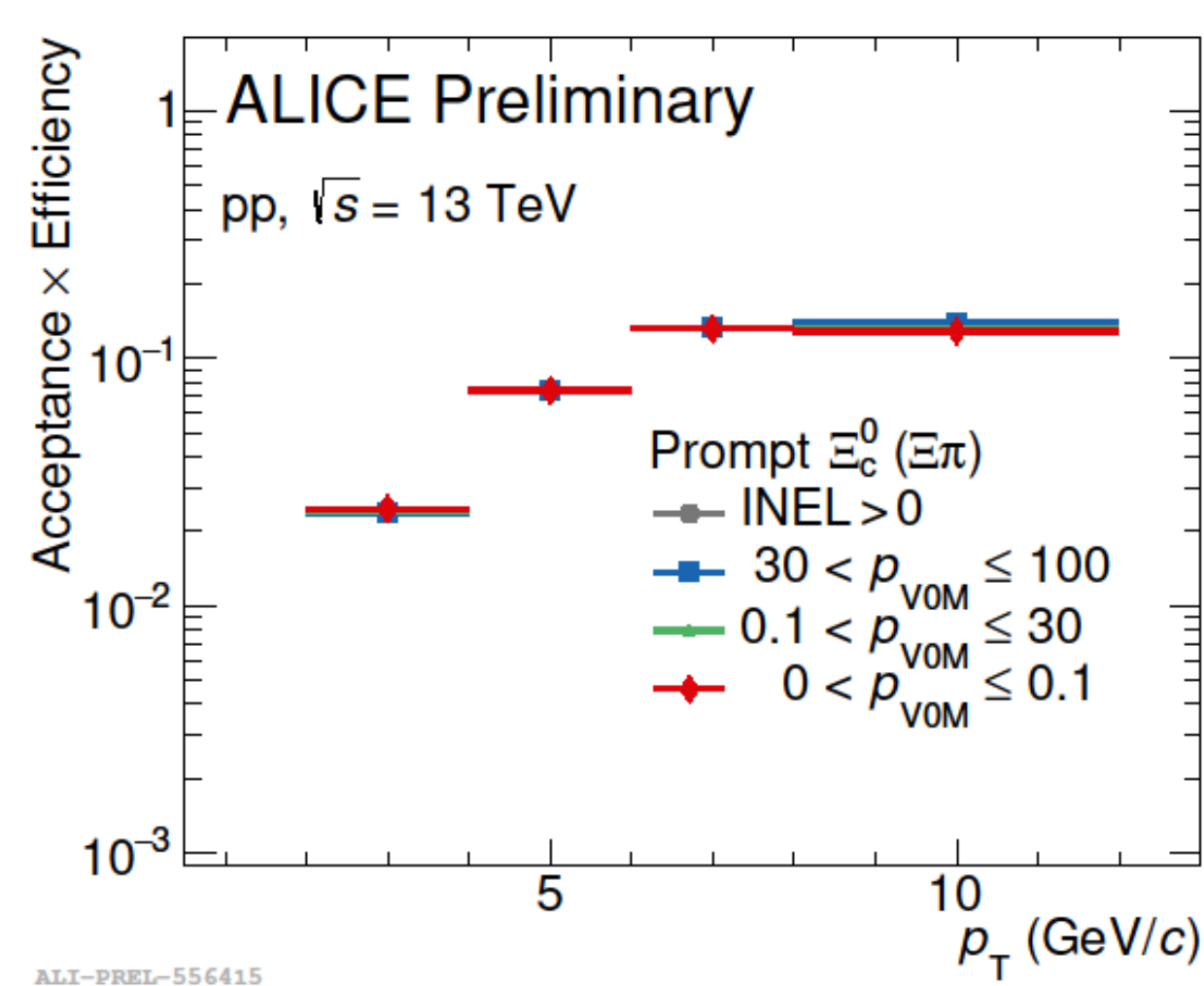
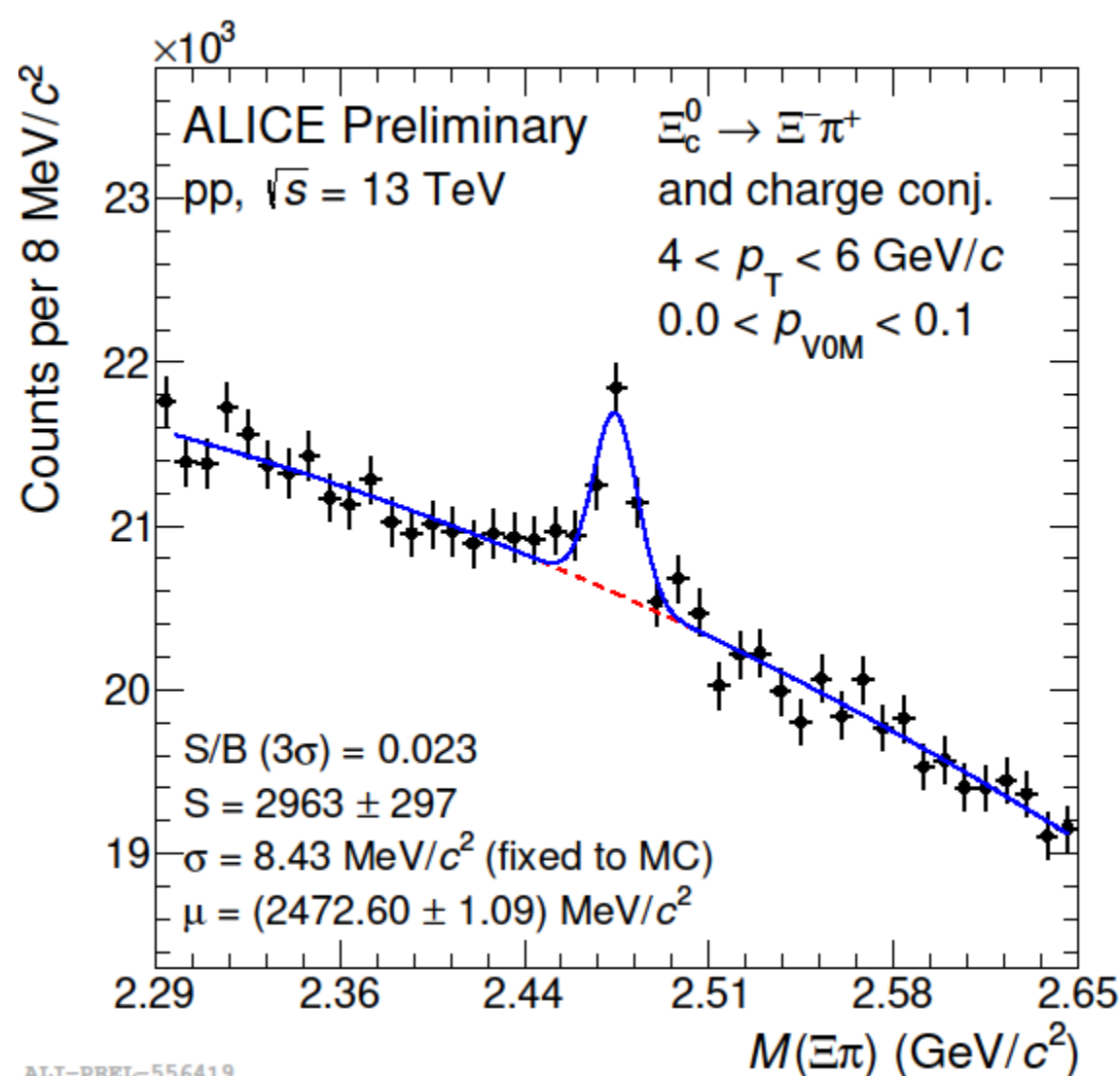
## Analysis strategy

Reconstruction of  $\Xi_c^0$  in the hadronic decay channel

$$\Xi_c^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \Xi^- \rightarrow \pi^+ (K^- \Lambda) \rightarrow \pi^+ (K^- (\pi \pi^-))$$

1. Machine learning to separate signal and background
2. Raw yield extraction via invariant-mass fit

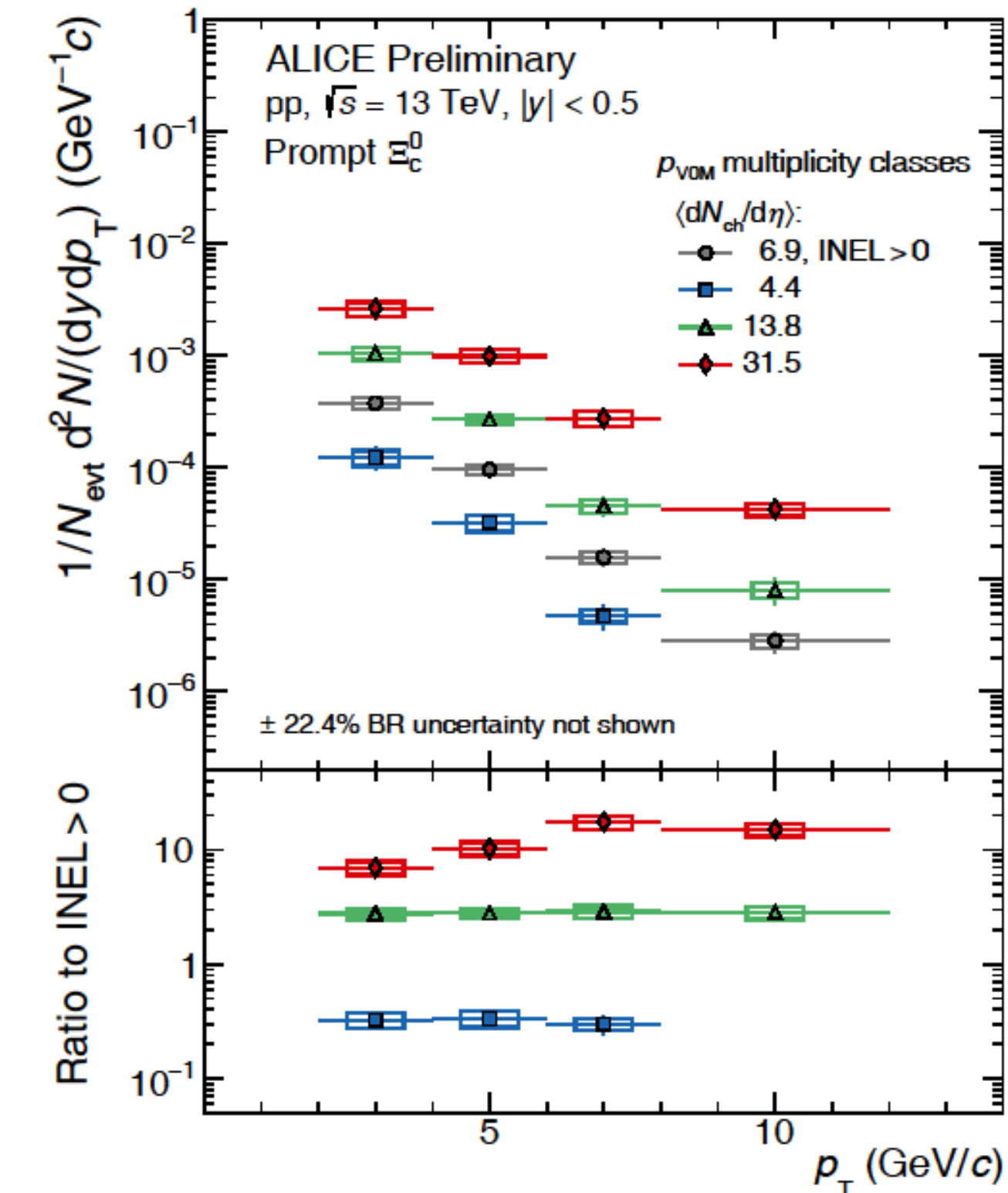
The  $\Xi_c^0$  signal is extracted from the  $\Xi^- \pi^+$  invariant mass



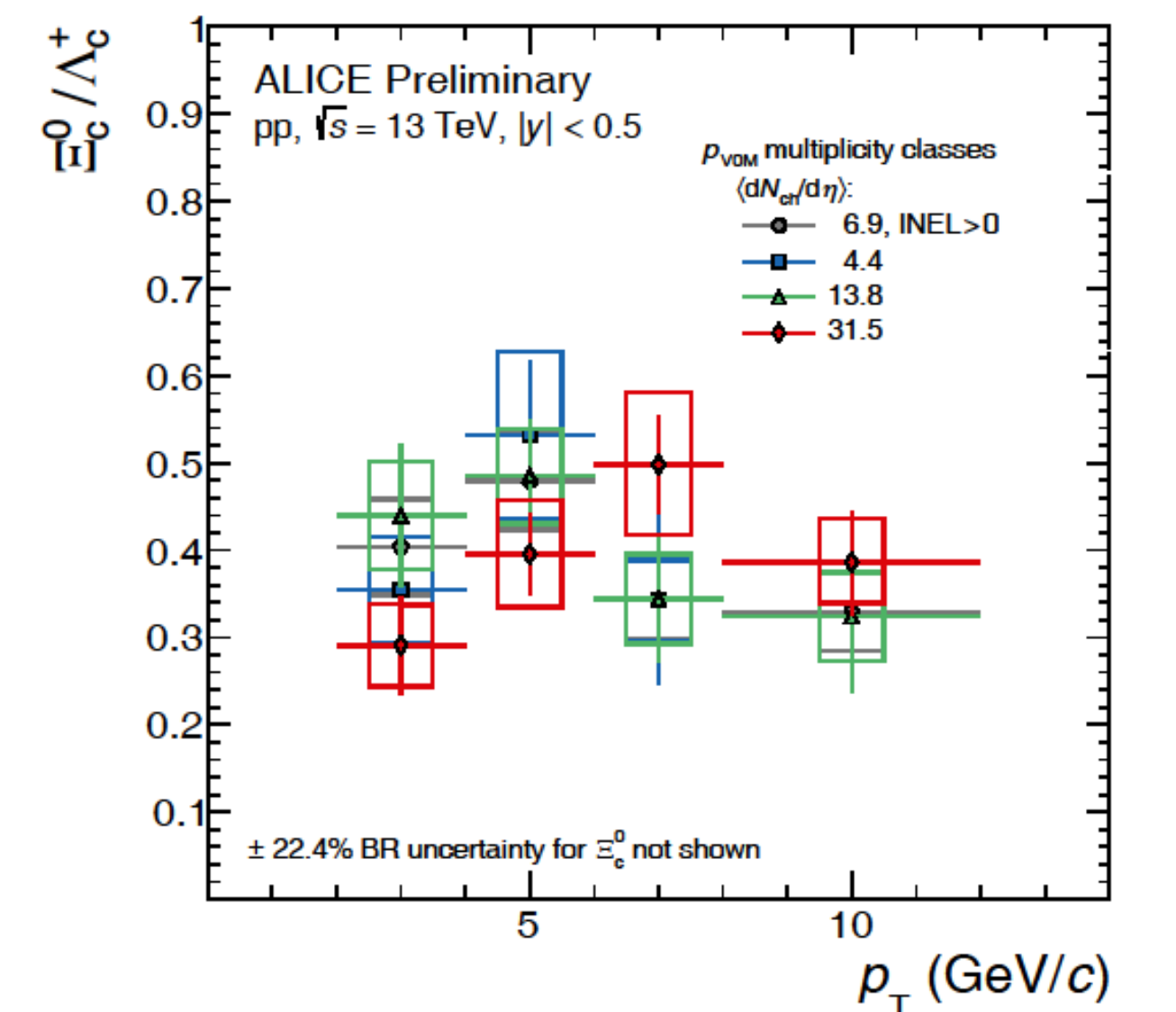
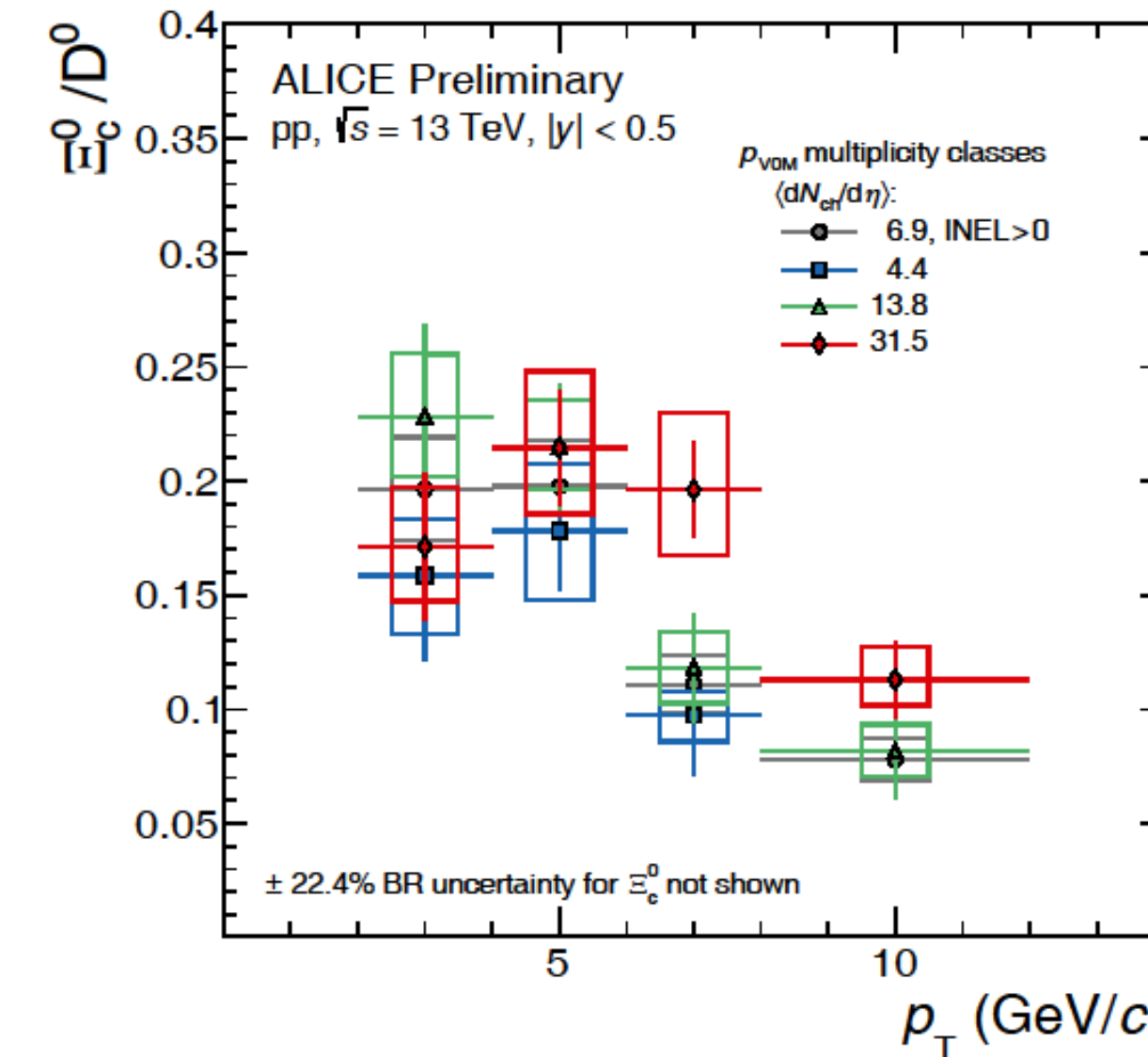
3. Acceptance  $\times$  efficiency and non-prompt correction
4. Calculate the cross section of  $\Xi_c^0$  as a function of  $p_T$

$$\frac{1}{N_{mult}} \frac{dN_{mult}^{hadron}}{dp_T} \Big|_{|y| < 0.5} = \frac{1}{N_{mult}} \frac{1}{\Delta p_T} \frac{1}{BR_{channel}} \frac{f_{prompt} \epsilon_{trigger} N_{mult}^{hadron, raw} \Big|_{|y| < 0.5}}{2 y_{fid} (Acc \times \epsilon)_{prompt}}$$

## Result

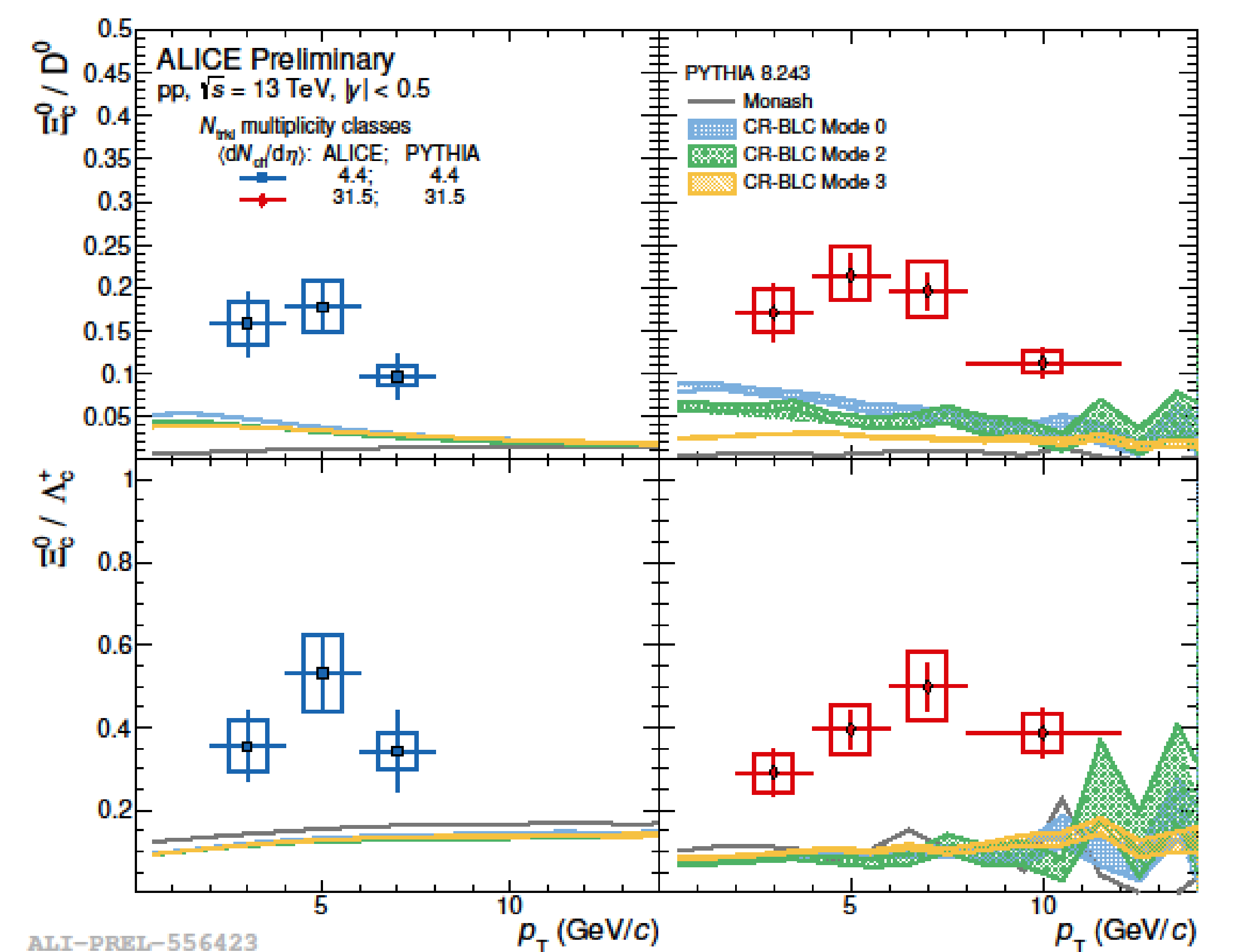


Transverse-momentum spectra of  $\Xi_c^0$  measured in different multiplicity classes selected with V0M at forward rapidity. The corresponding ratios to inelastic collisions event with at least one charged particle in the pseudorapidity range  $|\eta| < 1$  (INEL > 0) are shown in the bottom panel



The  $\Xi_c^0/D^0$  and  $\Xi_c^0/\Lambda_c^+$  ratios measured in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV for different multiplicity classes are shown

The multiplicity dependence of  $\Xi_c^0/D^0$  and  $\Xi_c^0/\Lambda_c^+$  is not observed with the current uncertainties, but the new Run 3 data will allow making a significant statement.



The  $\Xi_c^0/D^0$  (top) and  $\Xi_c^0/\Lambda_c^+$  (bottom) ratios measured in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV for the lowest (left) and highest (right) multiplicity. The measurements are compared to PYTHIA 8 predictions with the Monash estimated in similar multiplicity classes.

The Monash and CR-BLC tune does not reproduce the  $\Xi_c^0/D^0$  and  $\Xi_c^0/\Lambda_c^+$  ratio, and does not show a multiplicity dependence.

## Summary & Outlook

- The first measurement of  $\Xi_c^0/D^0$  and  $\Xi_c^0/\Lambda_c^+$  ratios as a function of charged-particle multiplicity in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV are shown. The  $p_T$ -differential  $\Xi_c^0/D^0$  and  $\Xi_c^0/\Lambda_c^+$  yield ratio does not show a strong multiplicity dependence as function of  $p_T$  with the uncertainties.
- More precise measurements with the data sample collected during the Run 3 of the LHC will allow us to further investigate the shape of the  $p_T$ -integrated baryon-to-meson ratios versus multiplicity, extending the multiplicity reach to lower and higher multiplicity intervals.