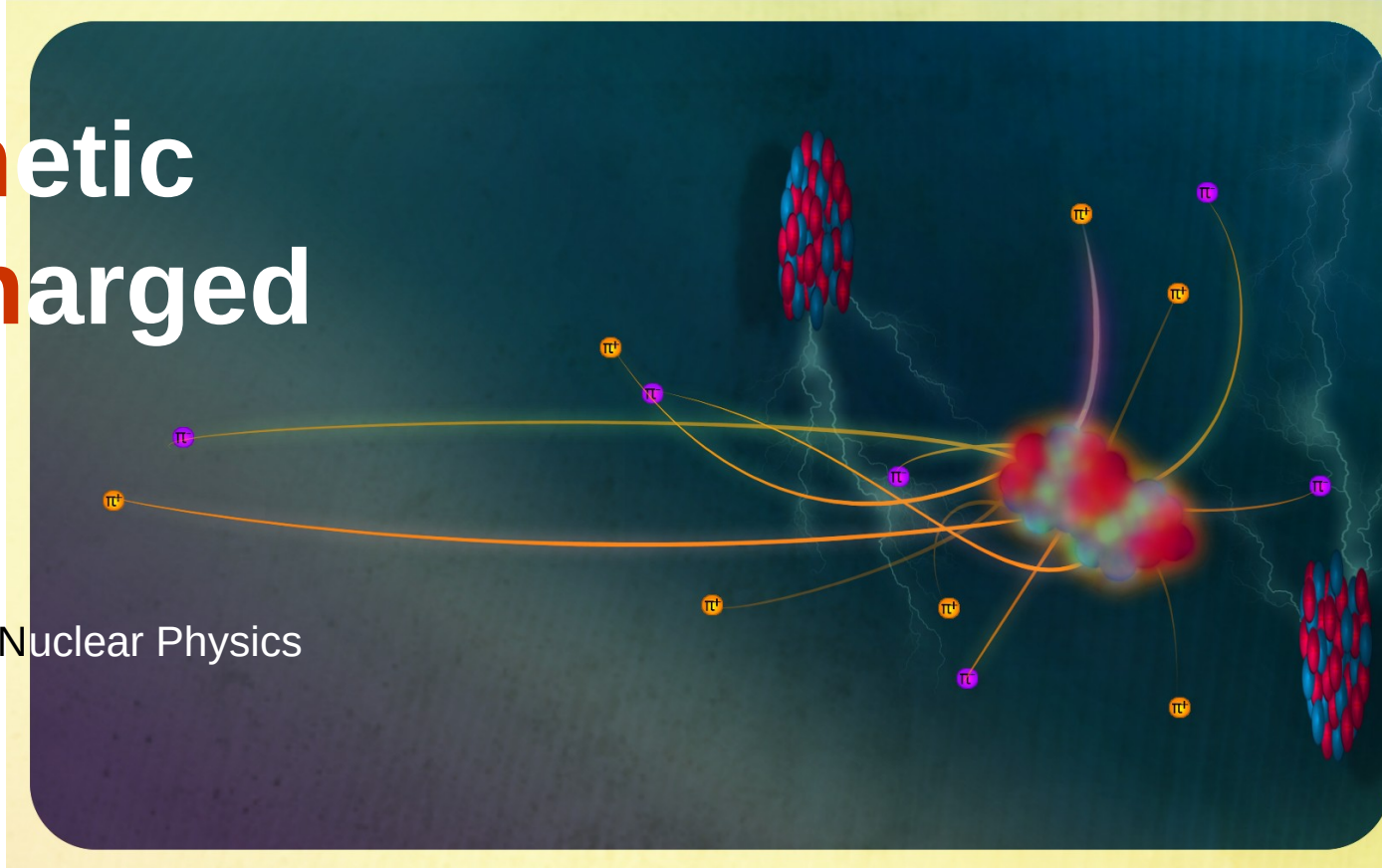


Electromagnetic effects on charged particles

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- 1) Prologue ;
- 2) Do never agree with your boss ;
- 3) EM effects on charged particles ;
- 4) Space-time evolution of the system ;
- 5) EM effects in small systems ;
- 6) UPC's ?
- 7) No epilogue.



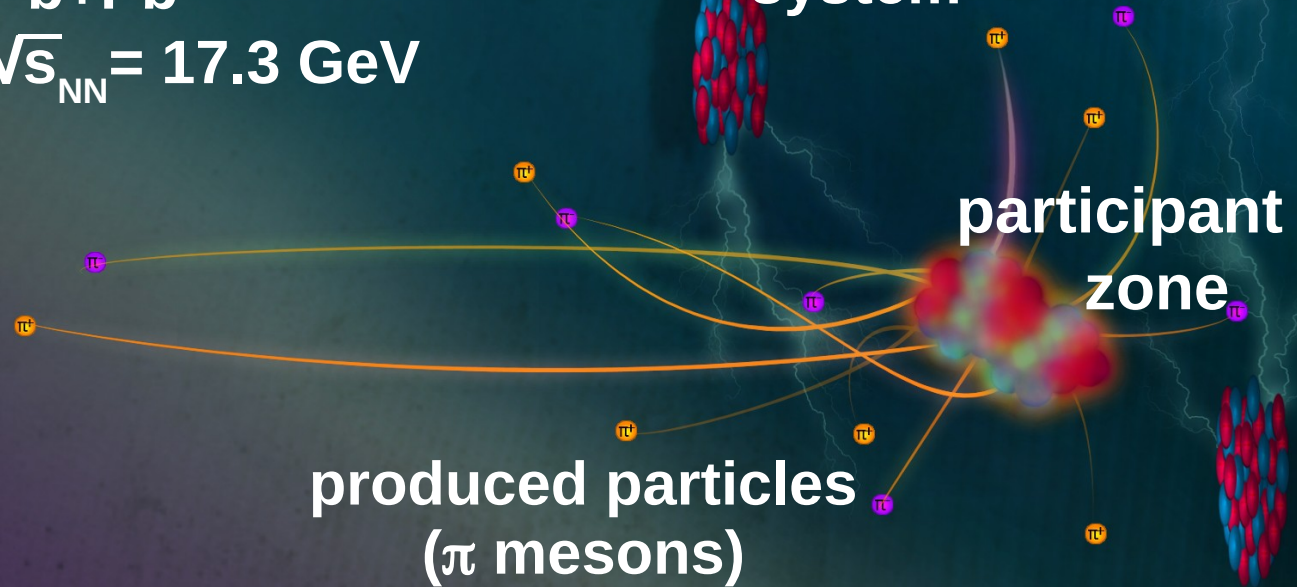
Collision energy in the c.m.s. (center-of-mass system), per one pair of colliding nucleons.

Heavy-ion collisions:

Pb+Pb

$$\sqrt{s}_{NN} = 17.3 \text{ GeV}$$

spectator system



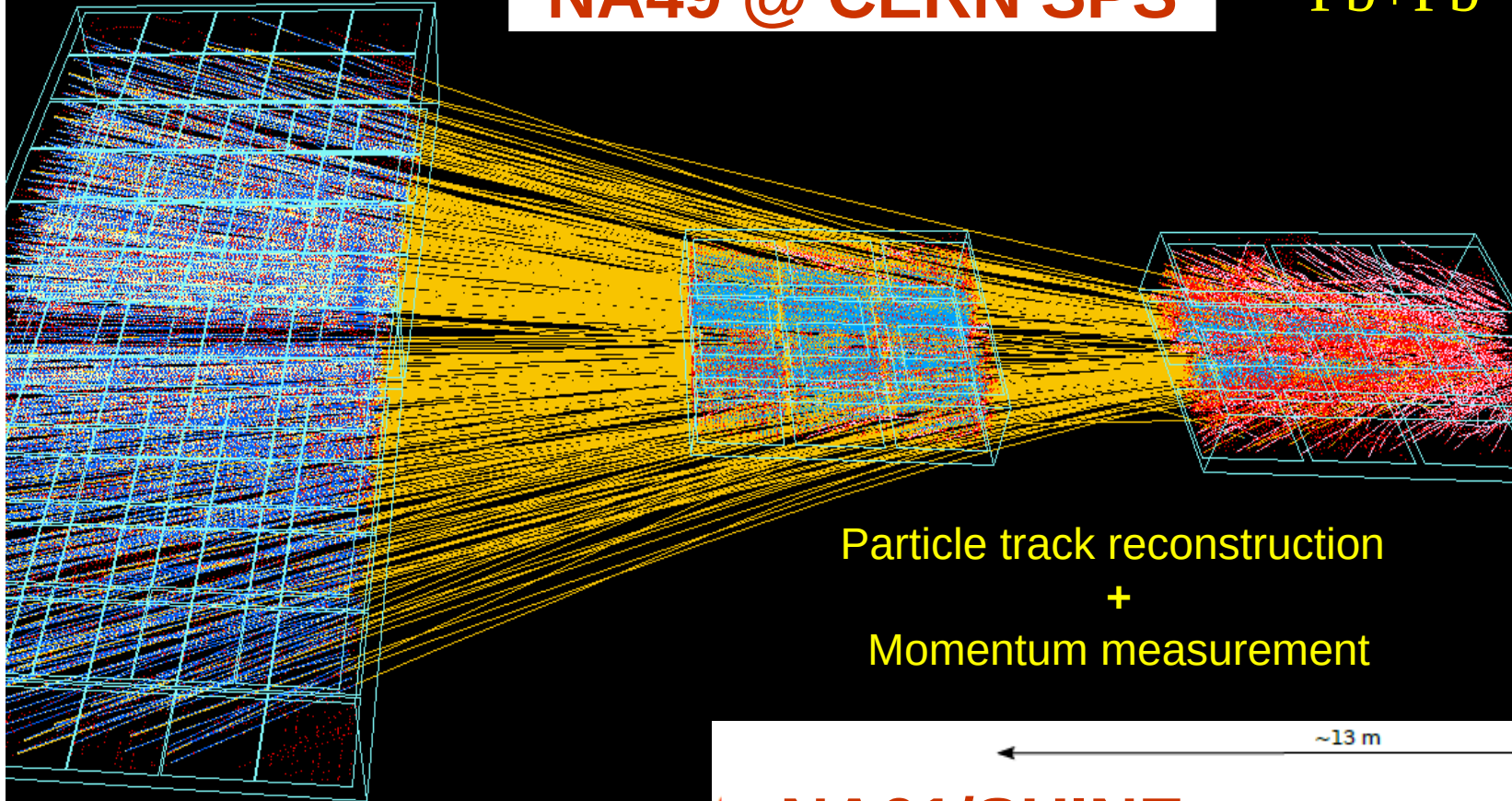
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- Charged spectators generate **electromagnetic fields**.
- These modify charged pion spectra in the **final state**.
- We use this effect as a new source of information on the **space-time evolution of the system**.

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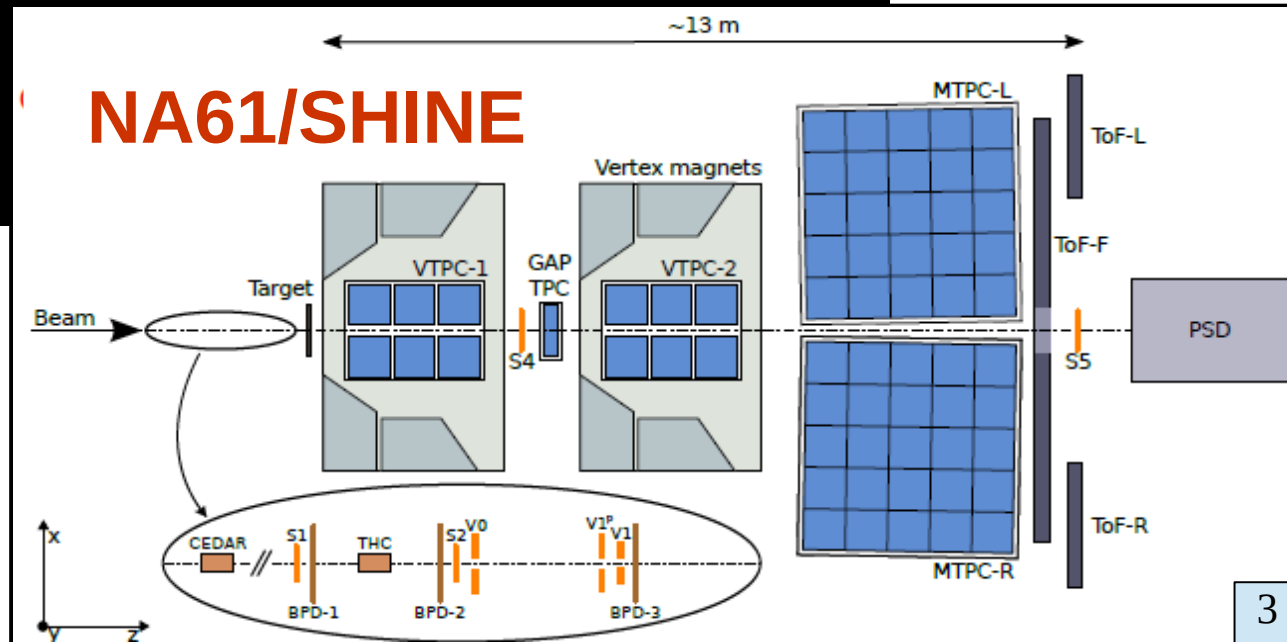
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Pb beam
 $E = 158 \text{ GeV/N}$

Particle track reconstruction
+
Momentum measurement

Particle identification



Please note:

advantages of fixed-target w.r.t. collider experiments:

- typically better coverage of kinematically available phase-space (p_x, p_y, p_z): “forward” hemisphere of the collision.

- Full coverage of low transverse momentum starting from $p_T=0$;

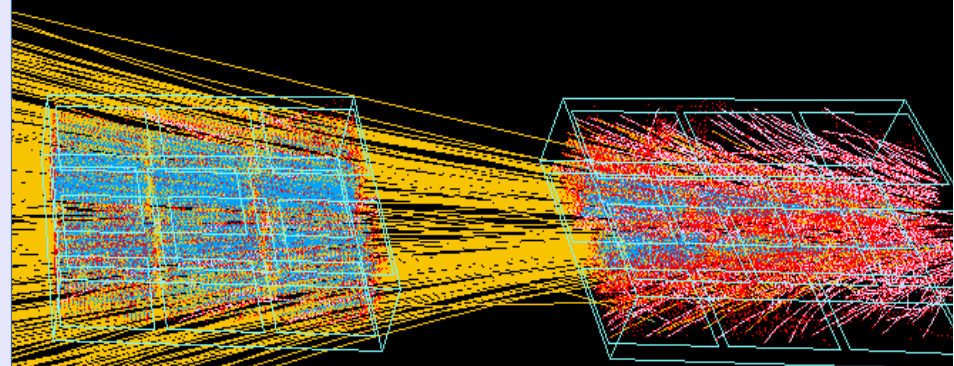
$$(p_T = \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2})$$

- Easier to develop (add new subdetectors) ;

- Cheaper (?)

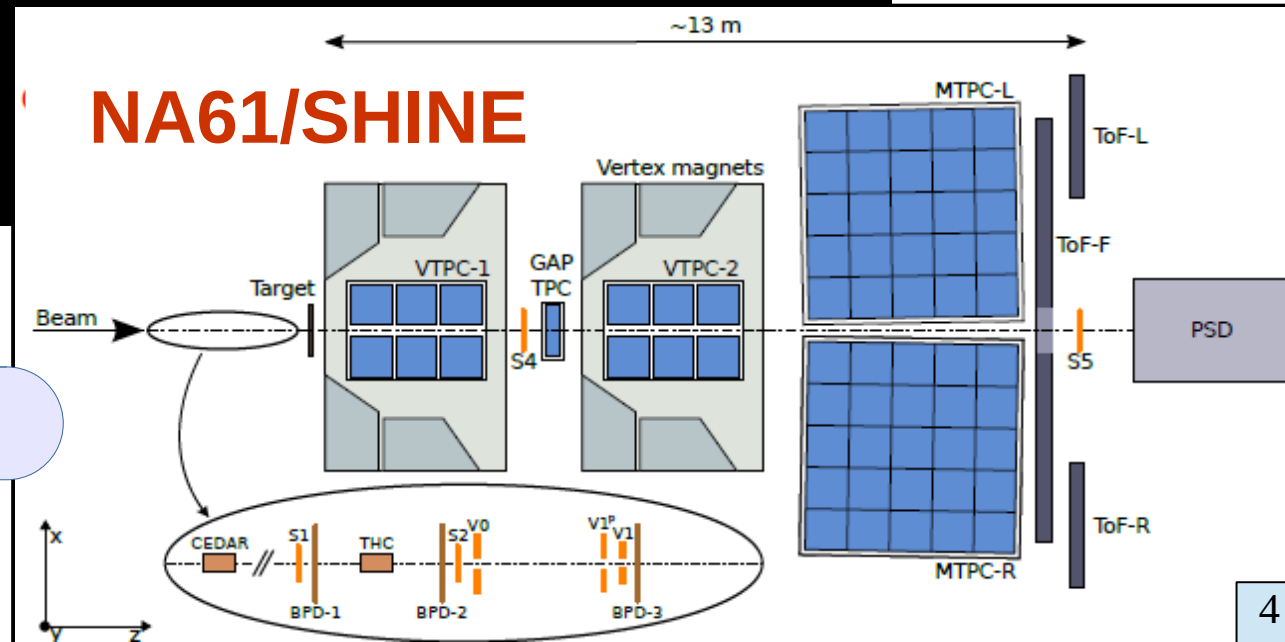
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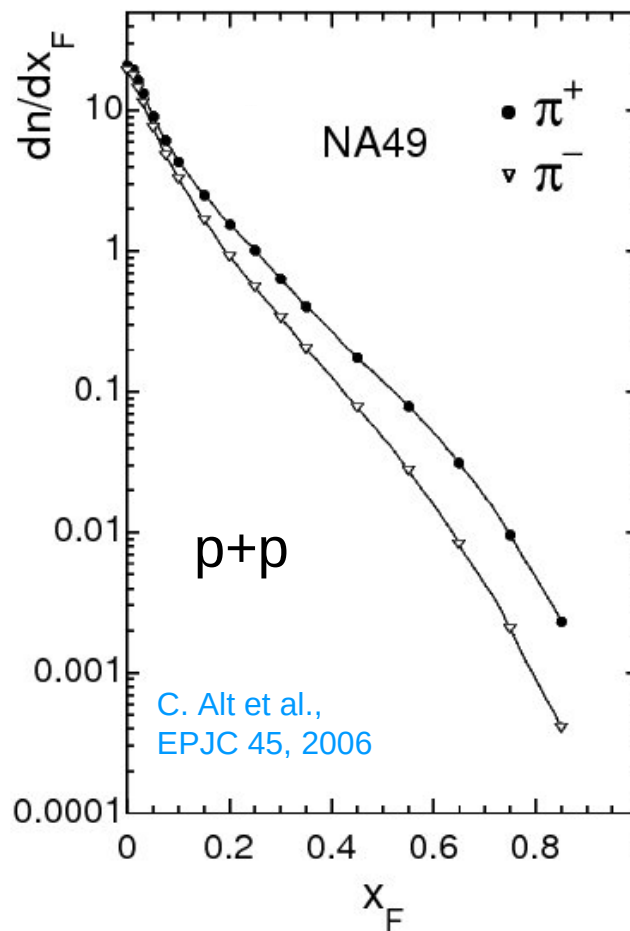
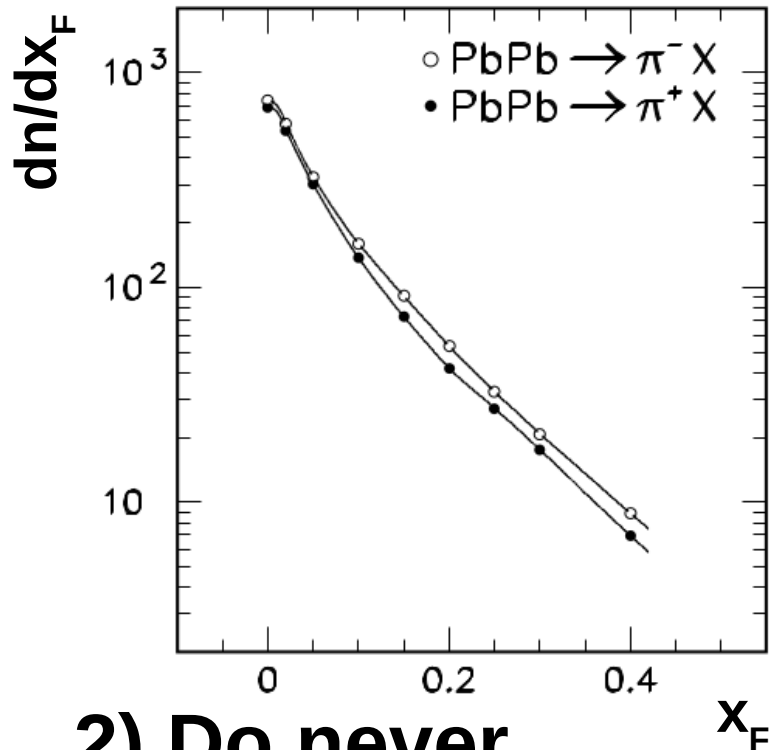
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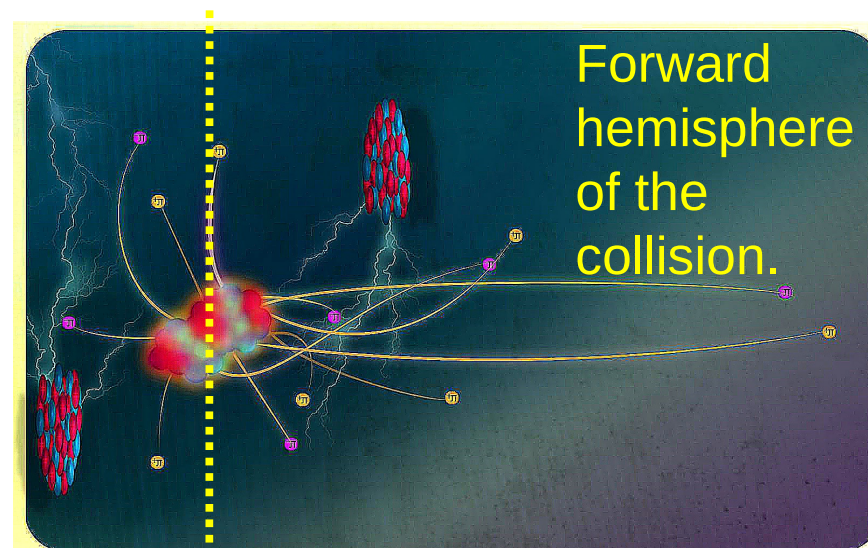
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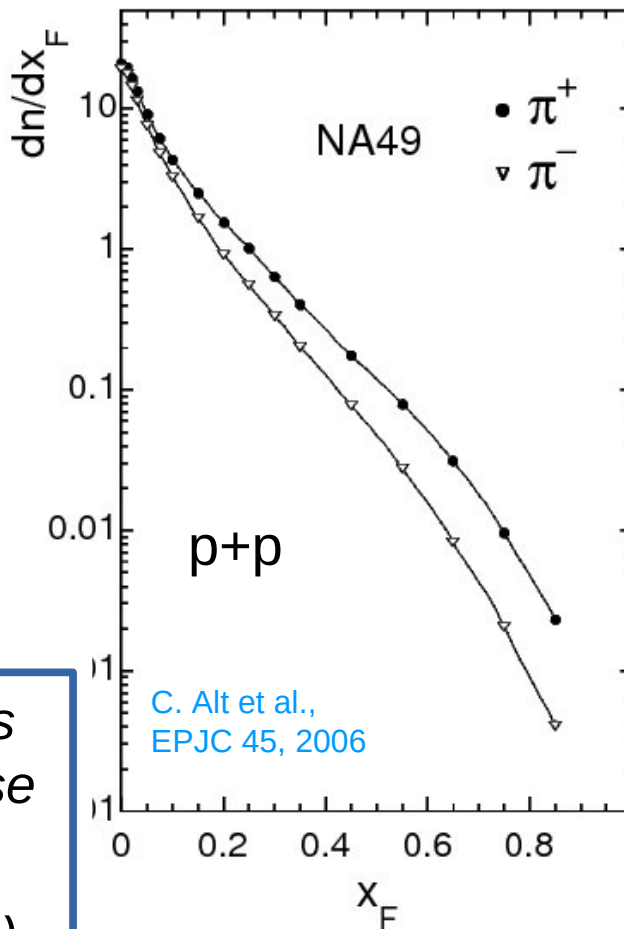
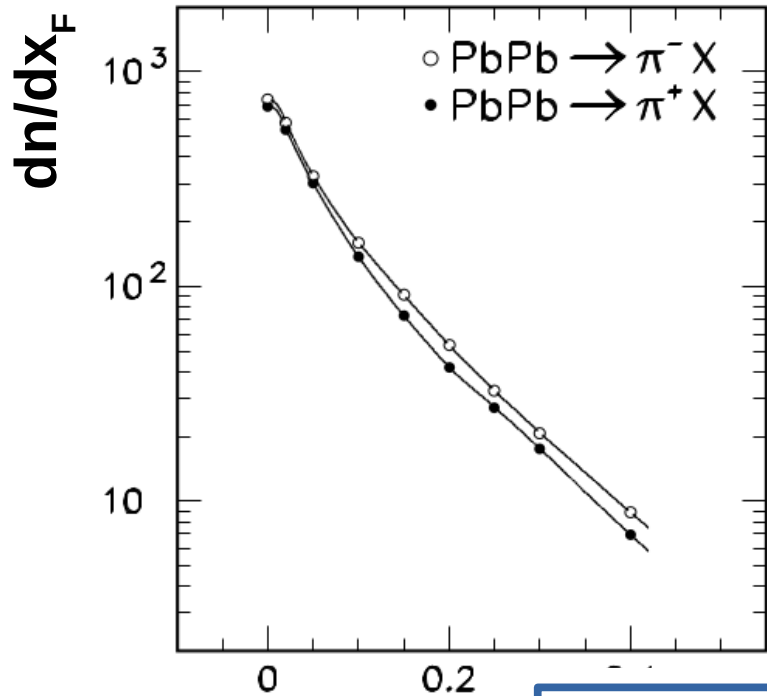
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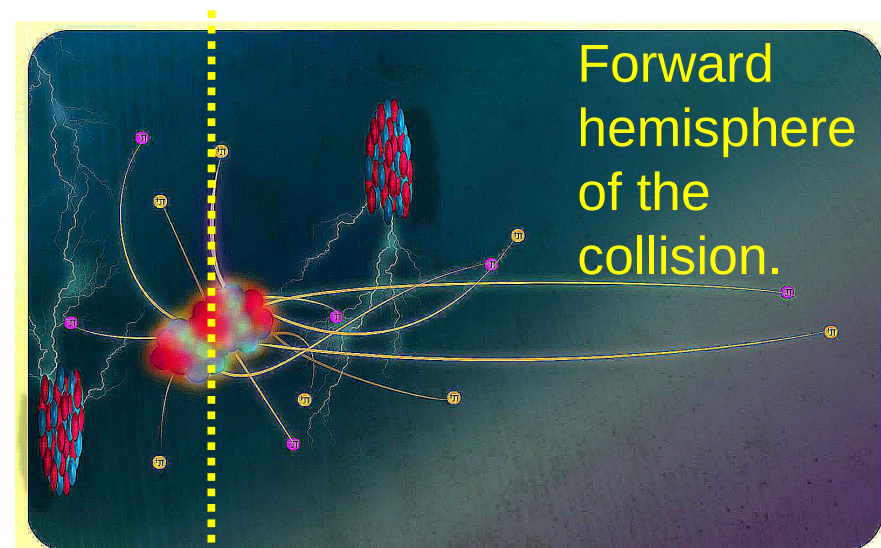
Now I will discuss the *ratios* of these distributions:

$$\pi^+/\pi^- = \frac{dn/dx_F(\pi^+)}{dn/dx_F(\pi^-)}$$

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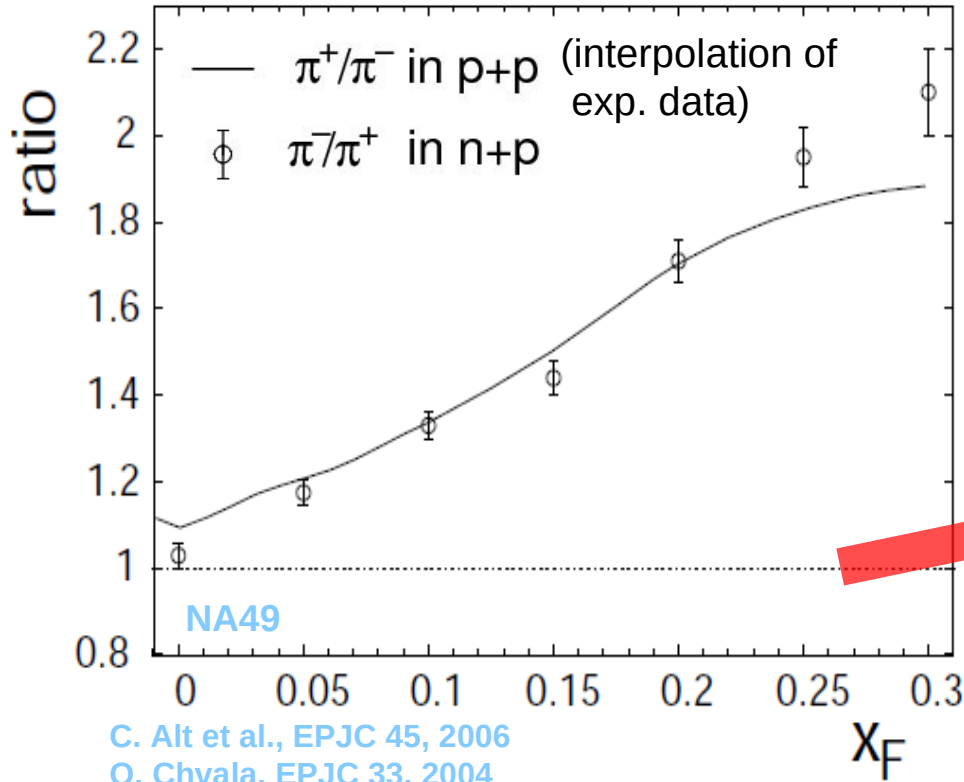


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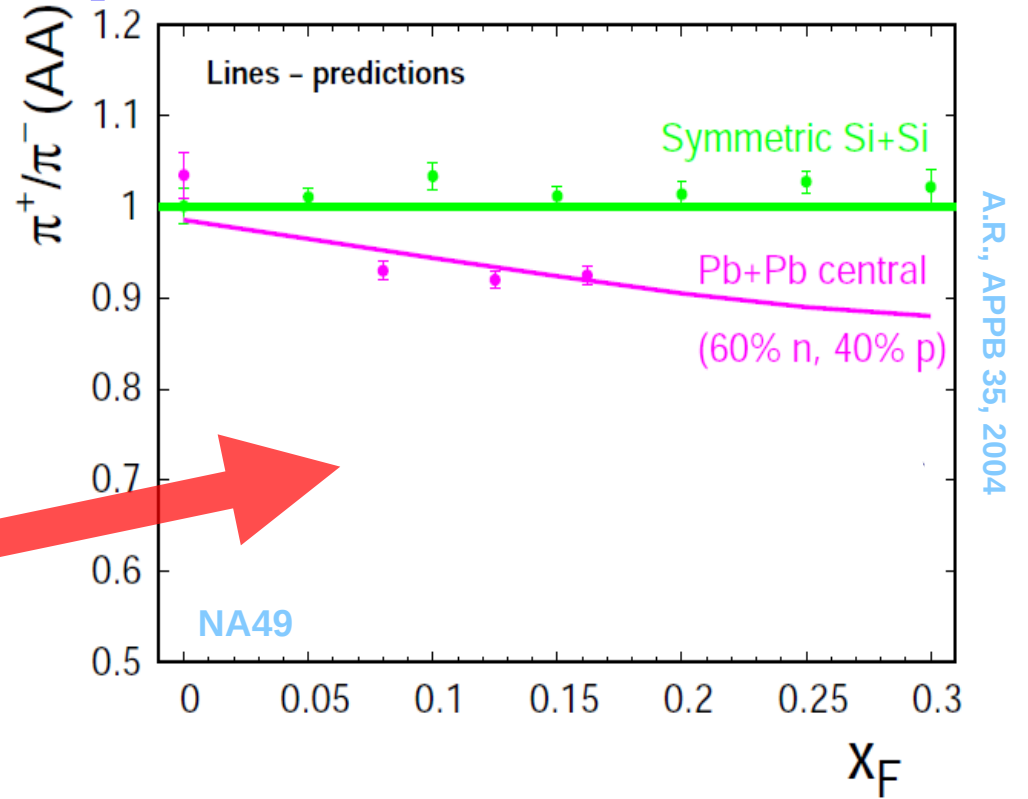
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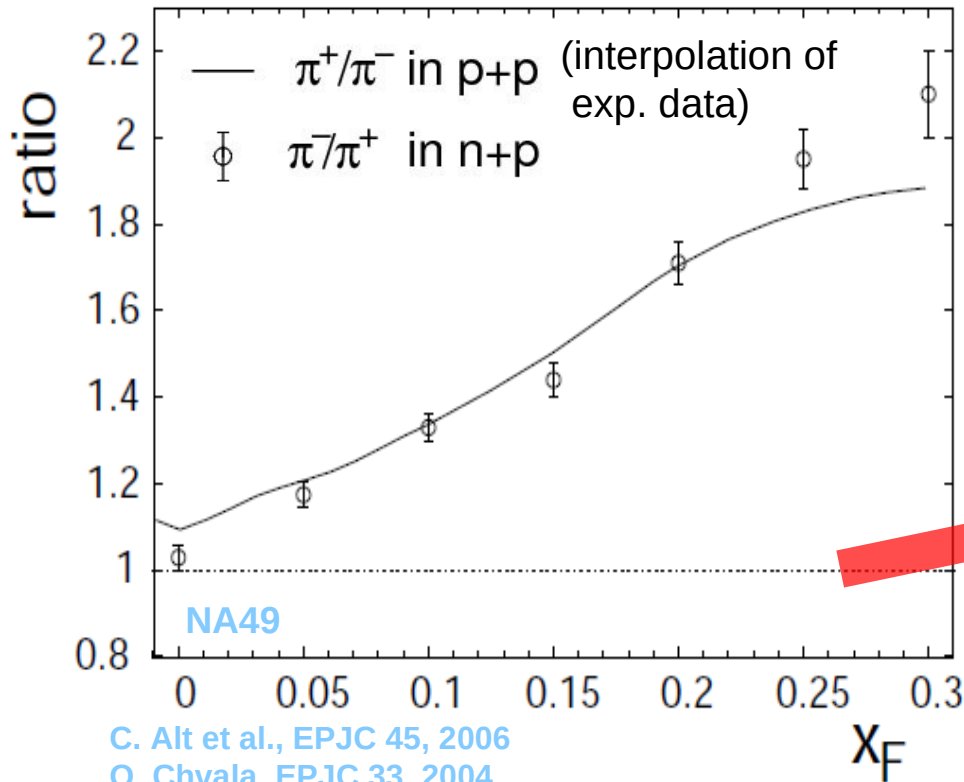
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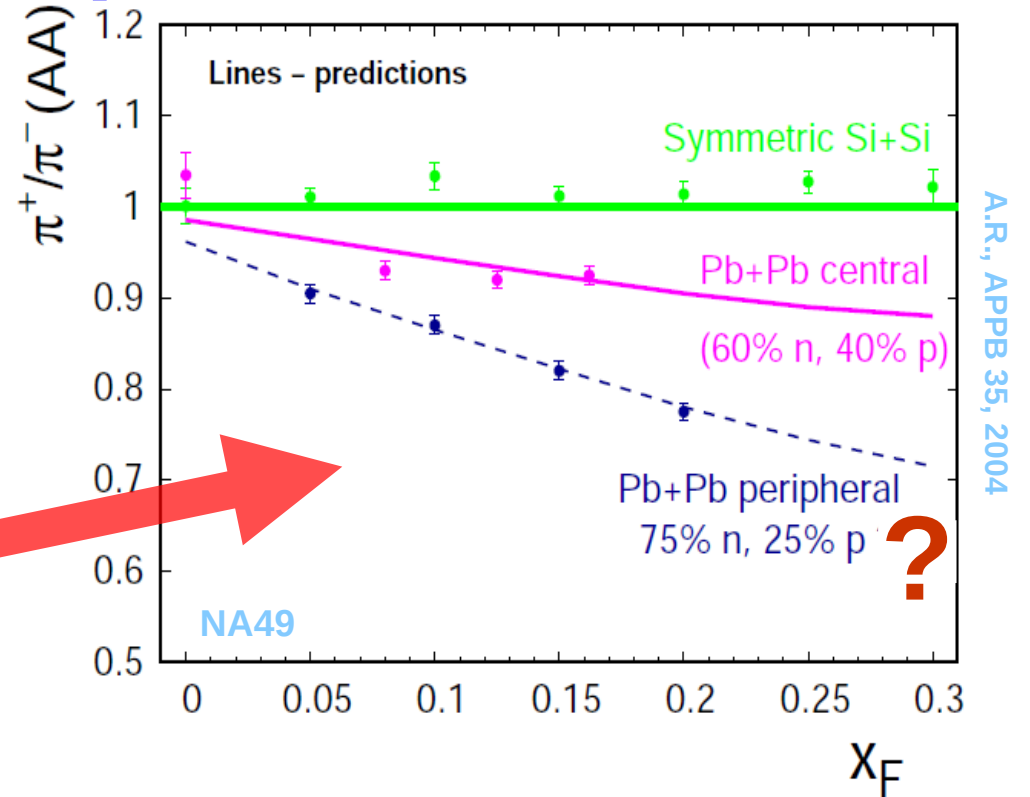
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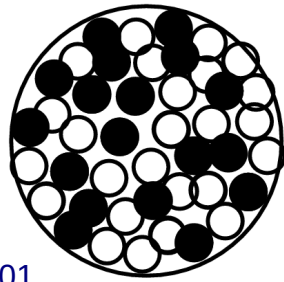


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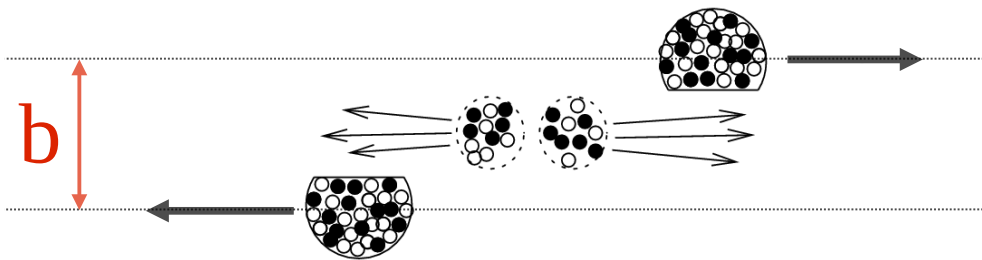
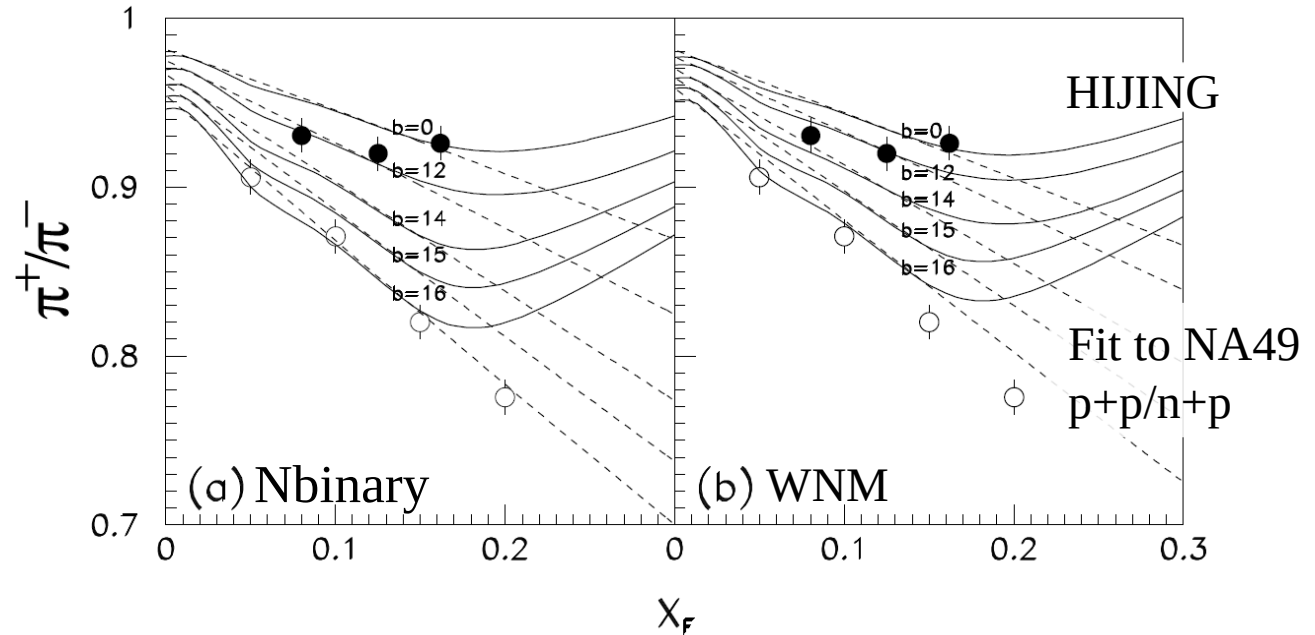
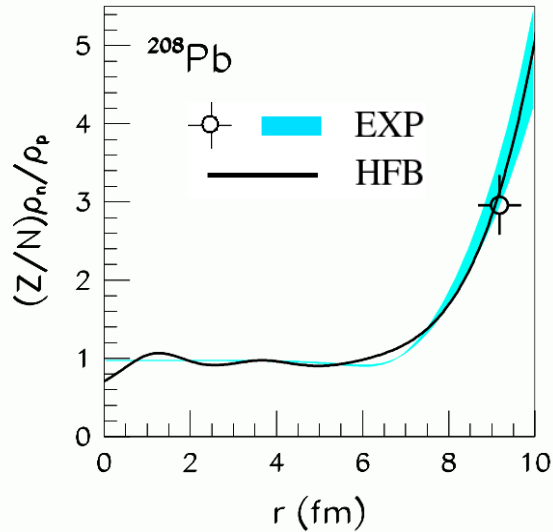
... but what is happening in the *peripheral* Pb+Pb collision ?



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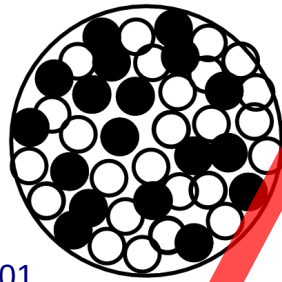
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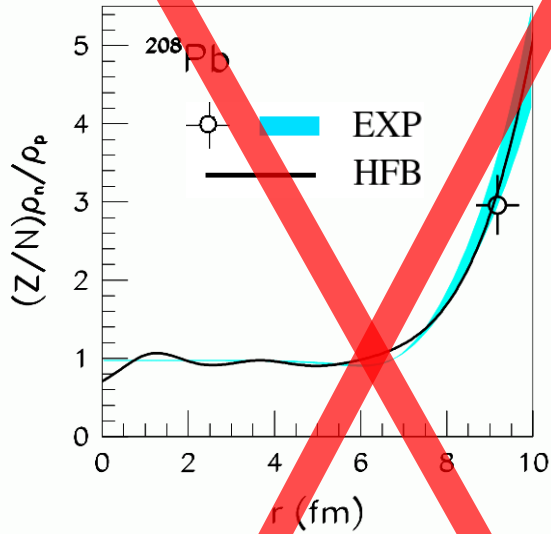


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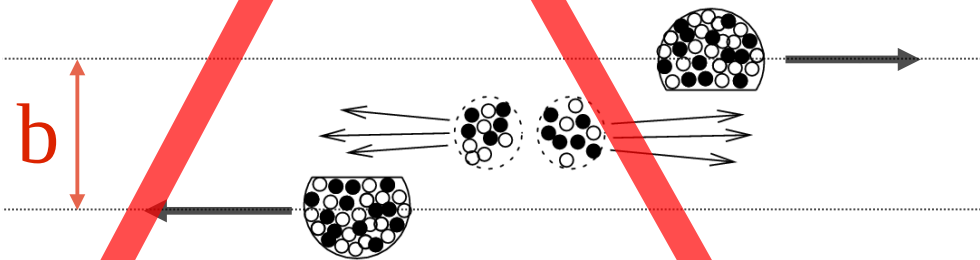
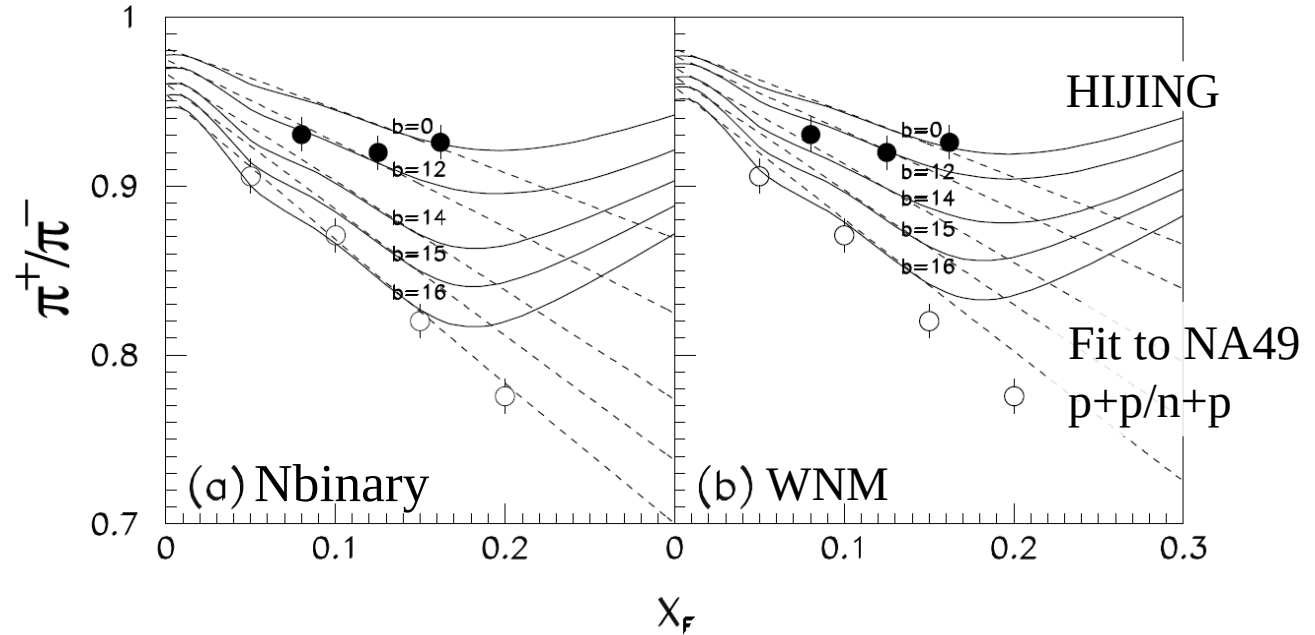
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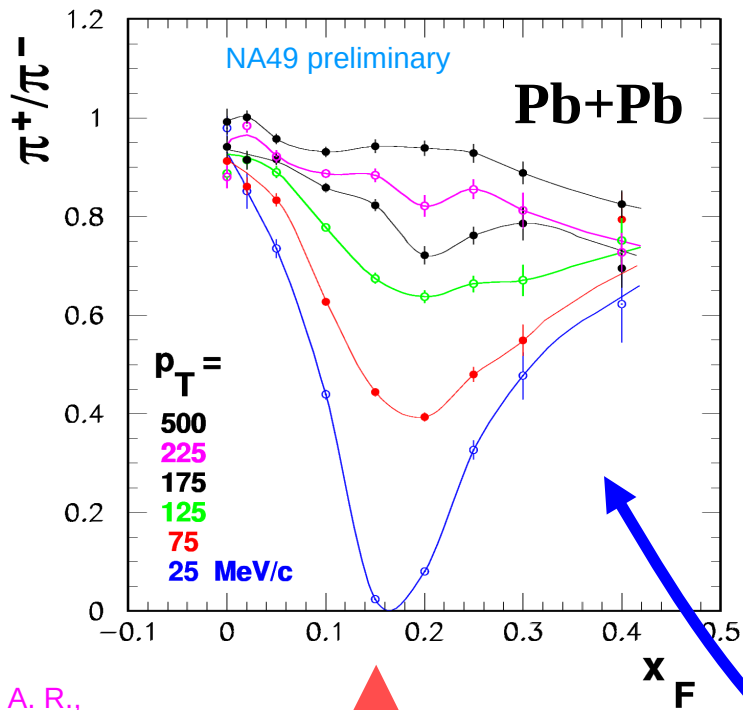


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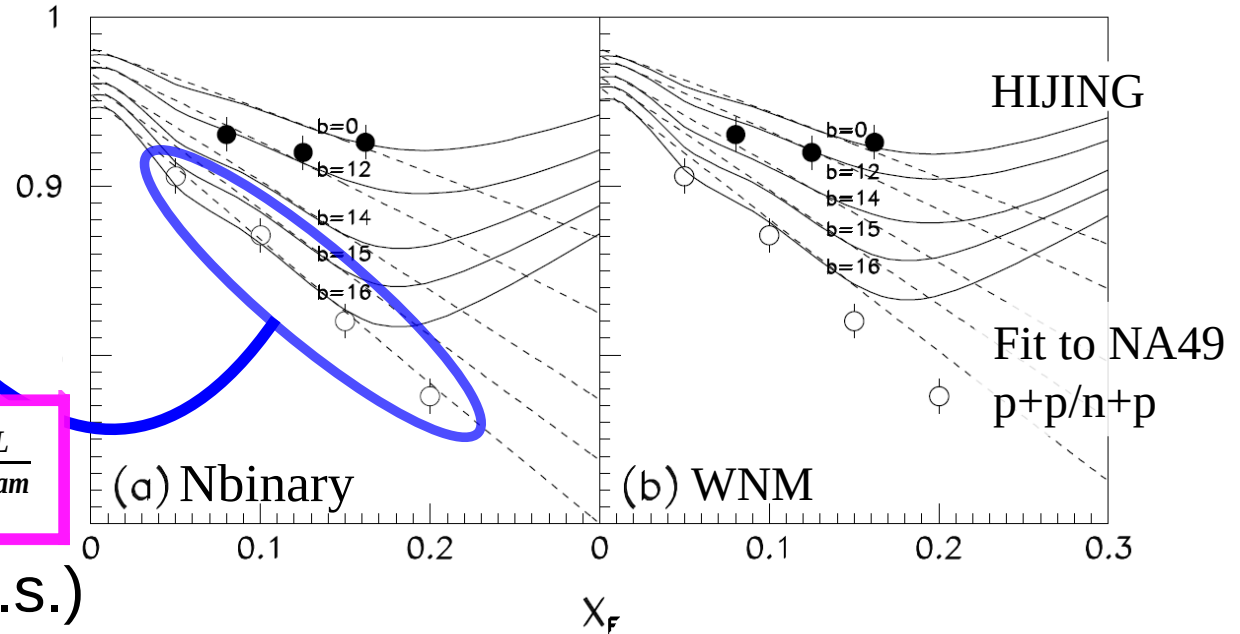
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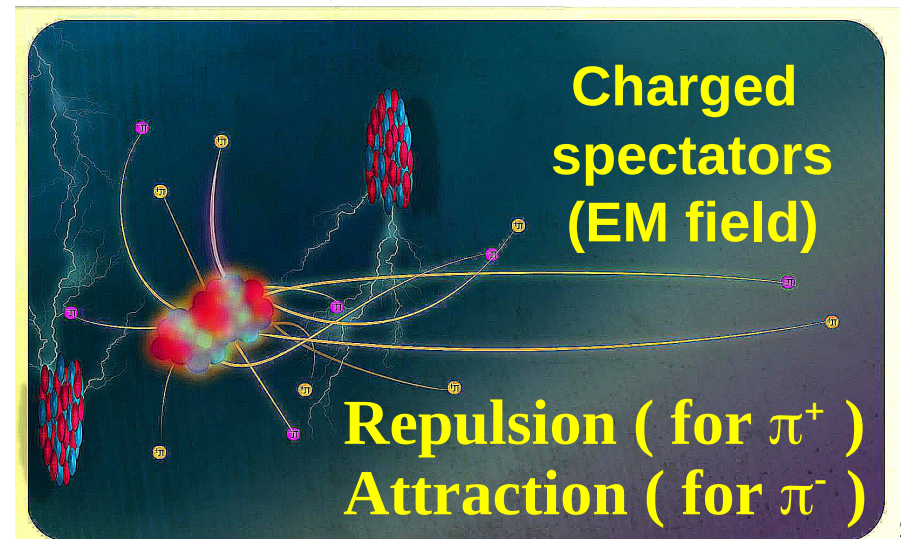
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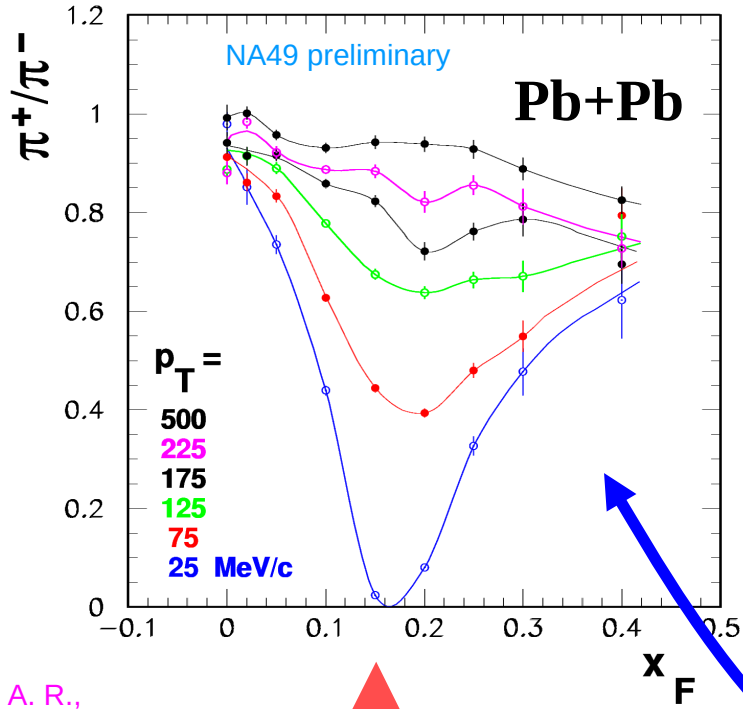
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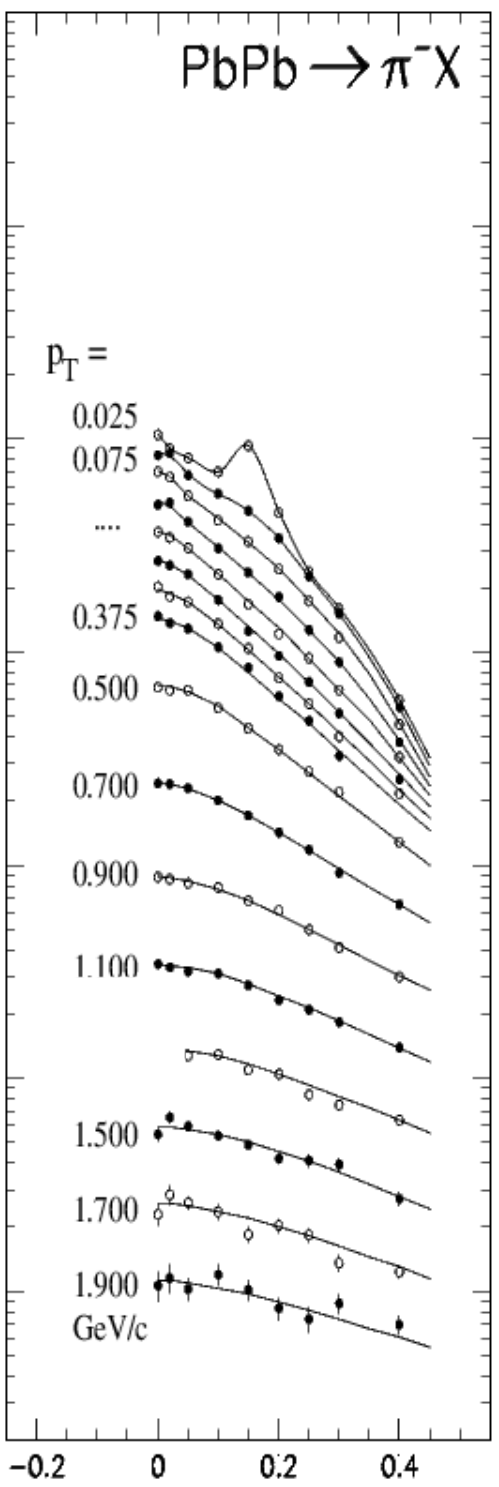
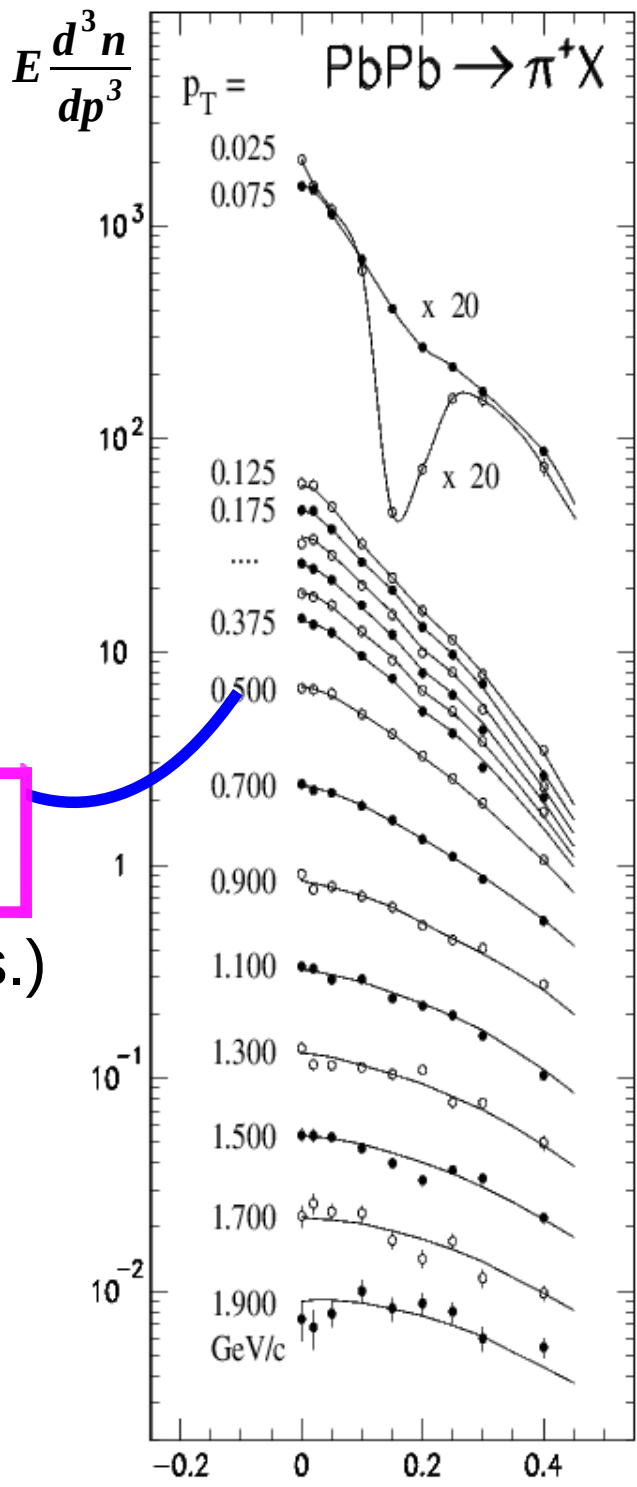
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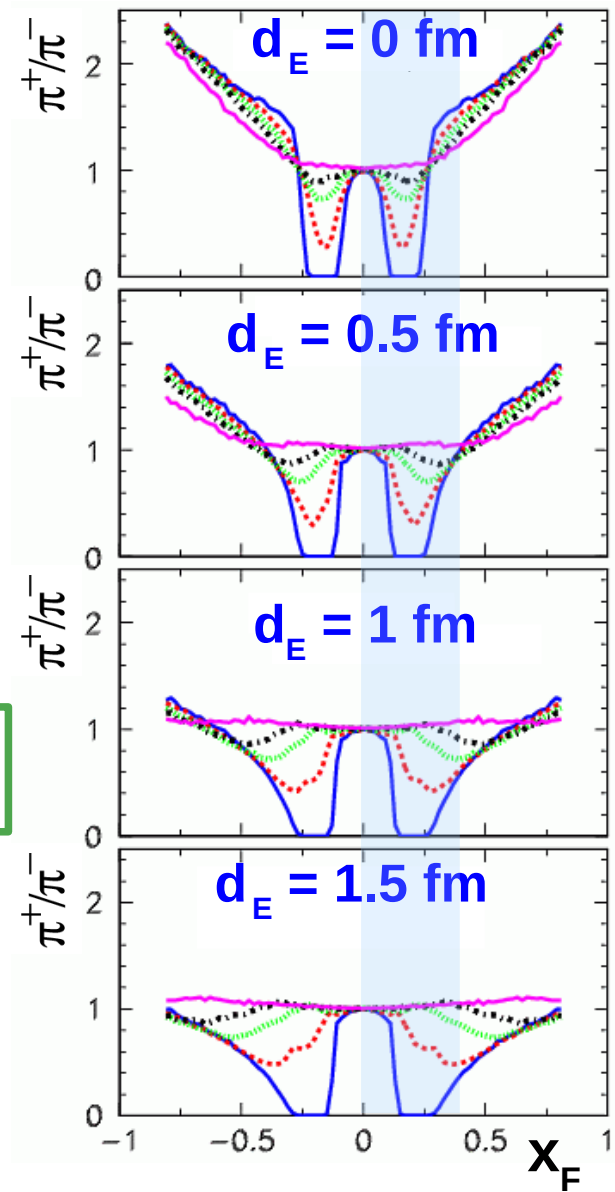
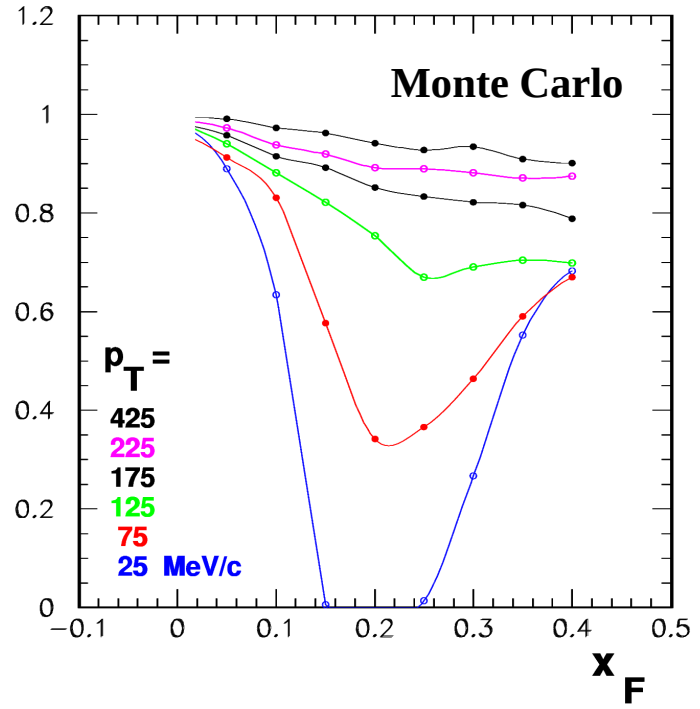
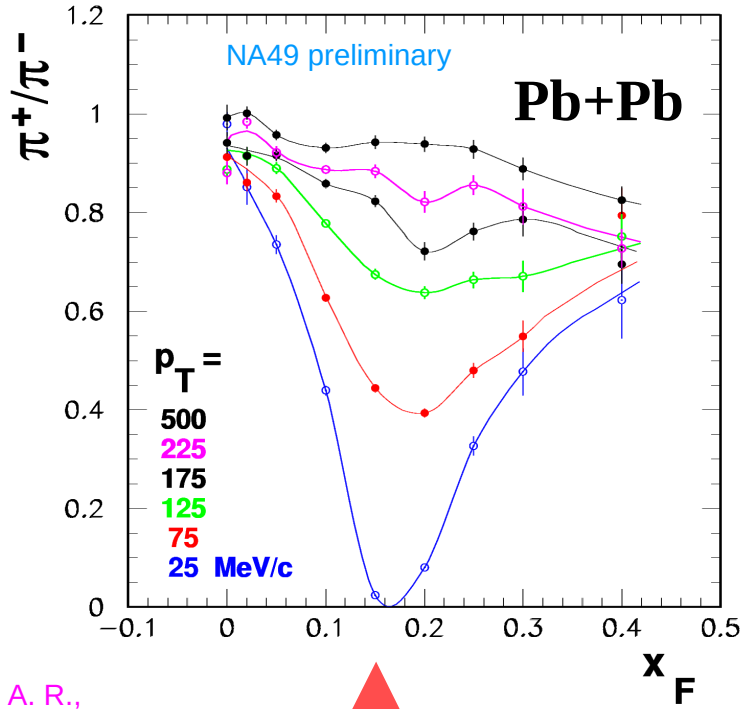
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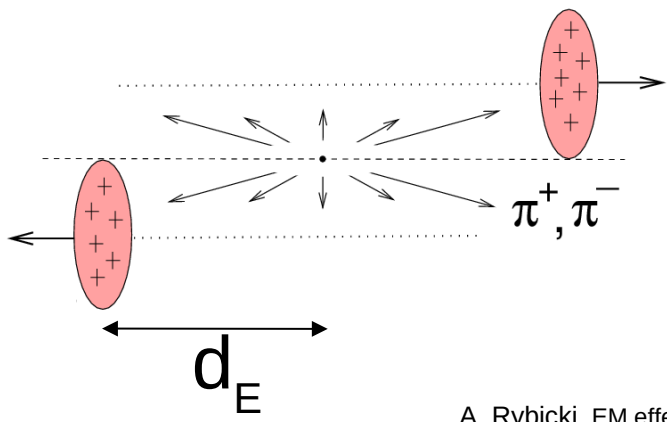
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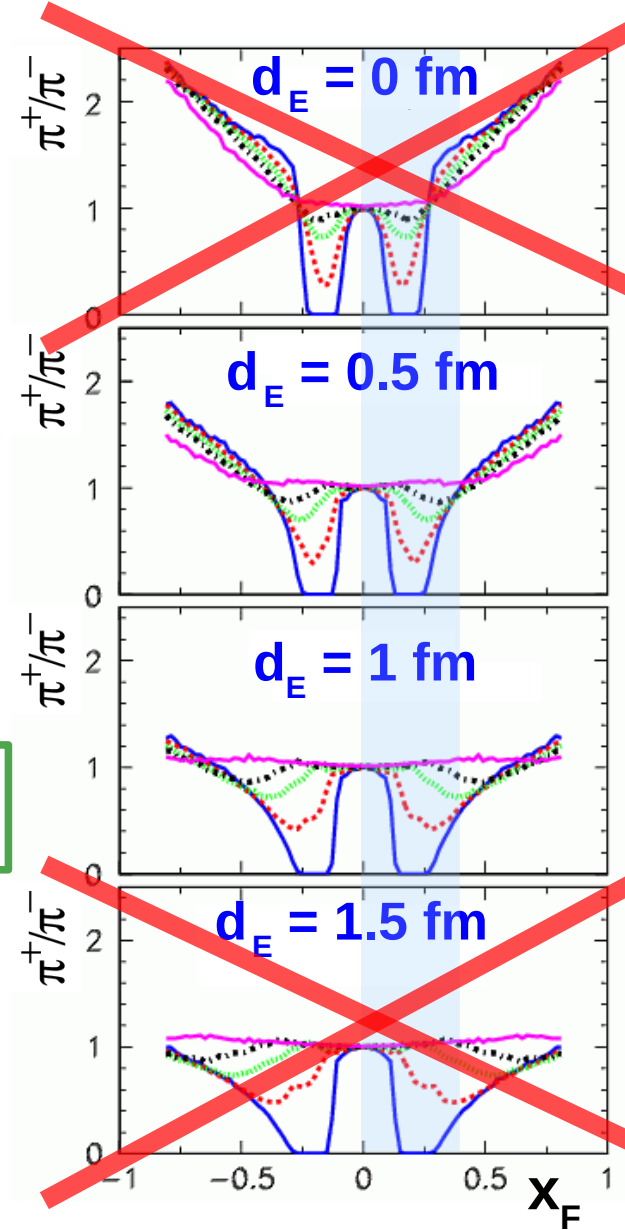
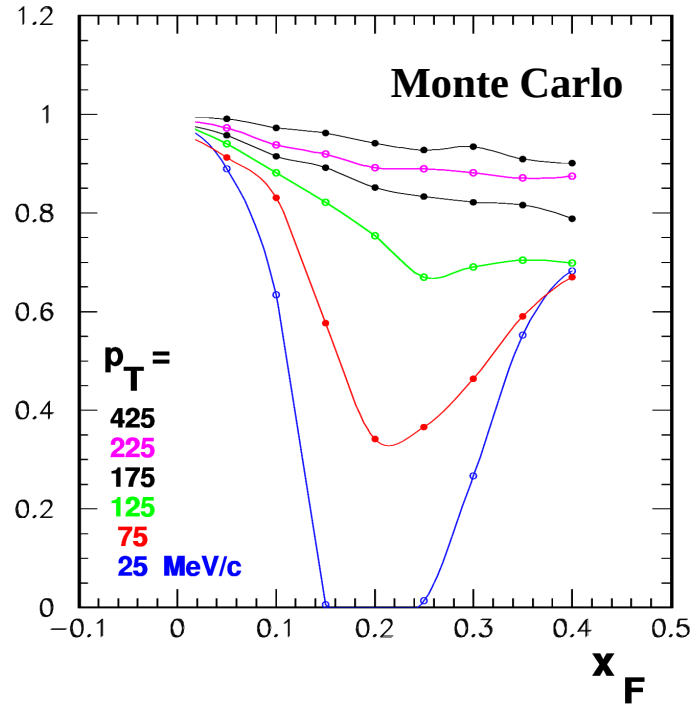
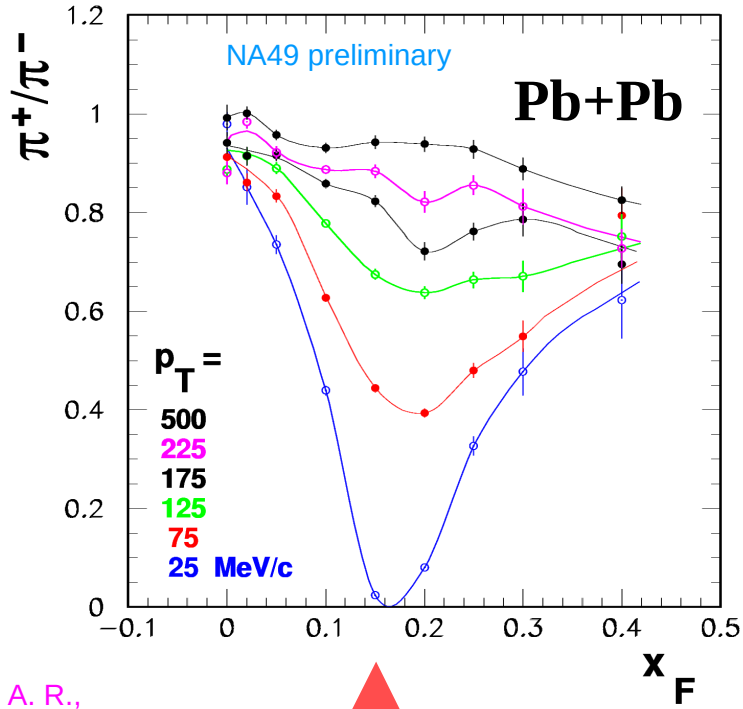
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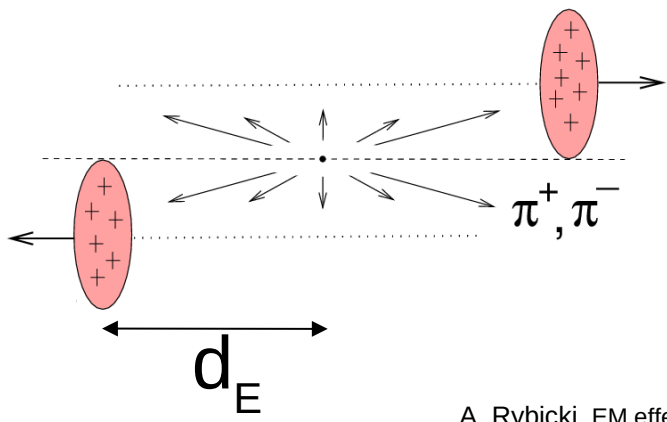


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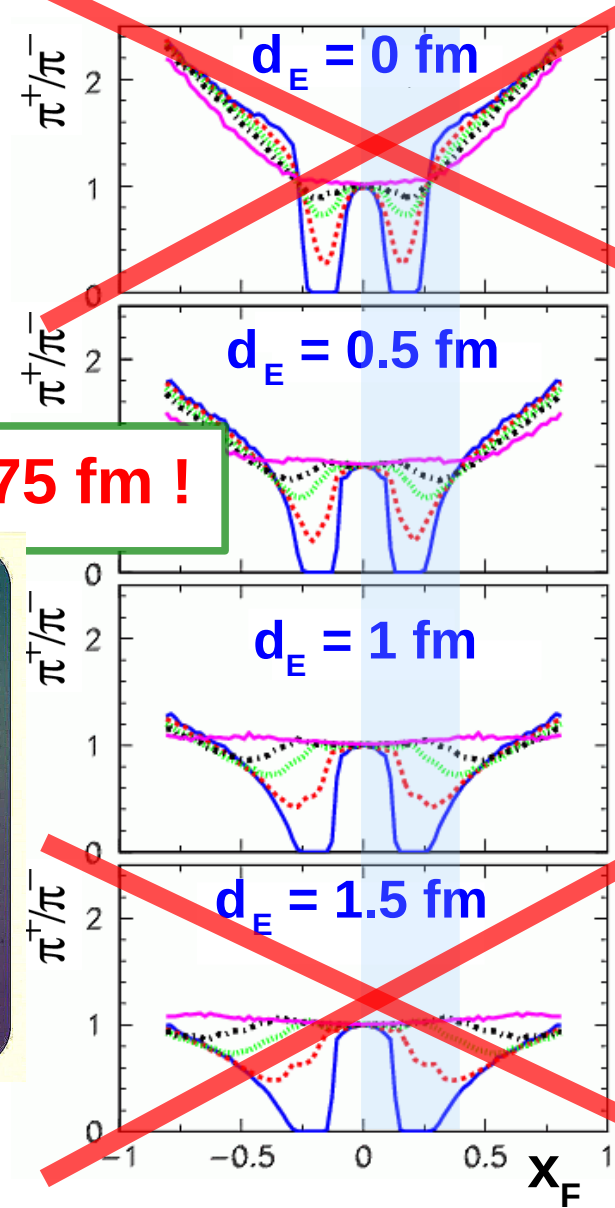
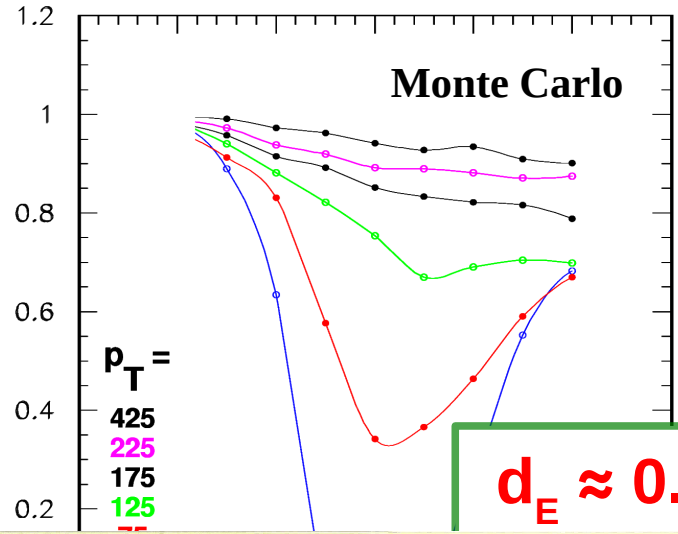
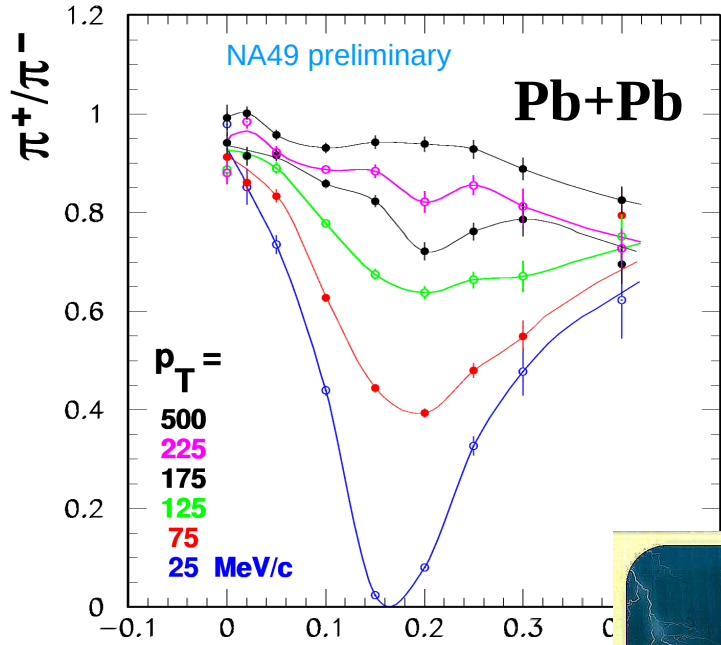
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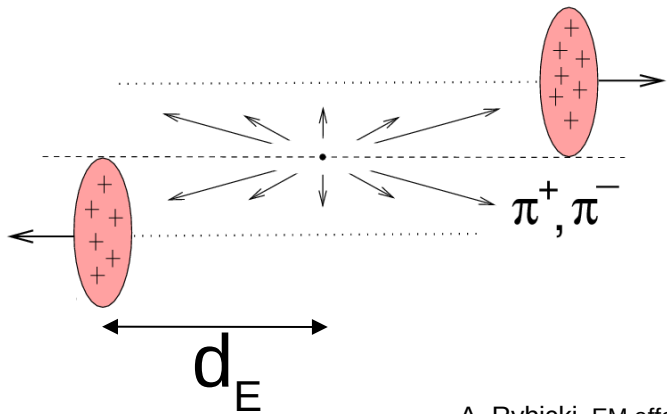
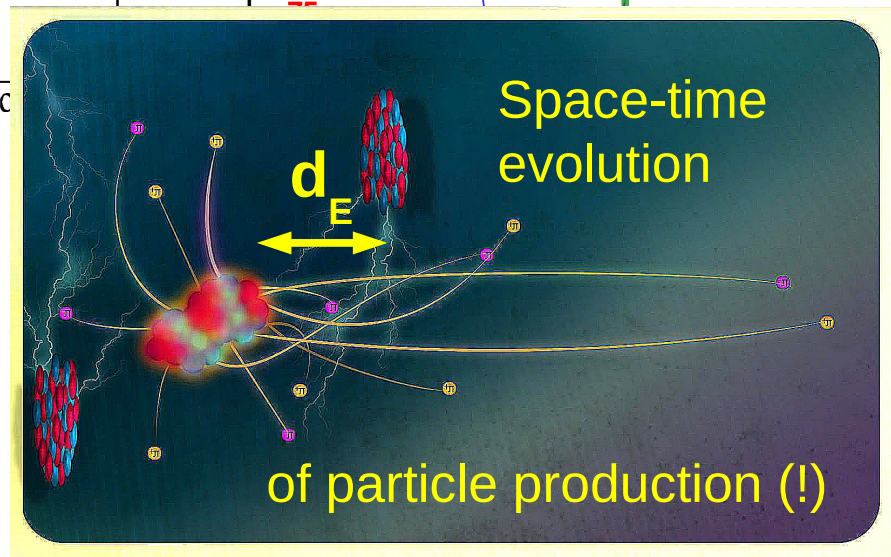
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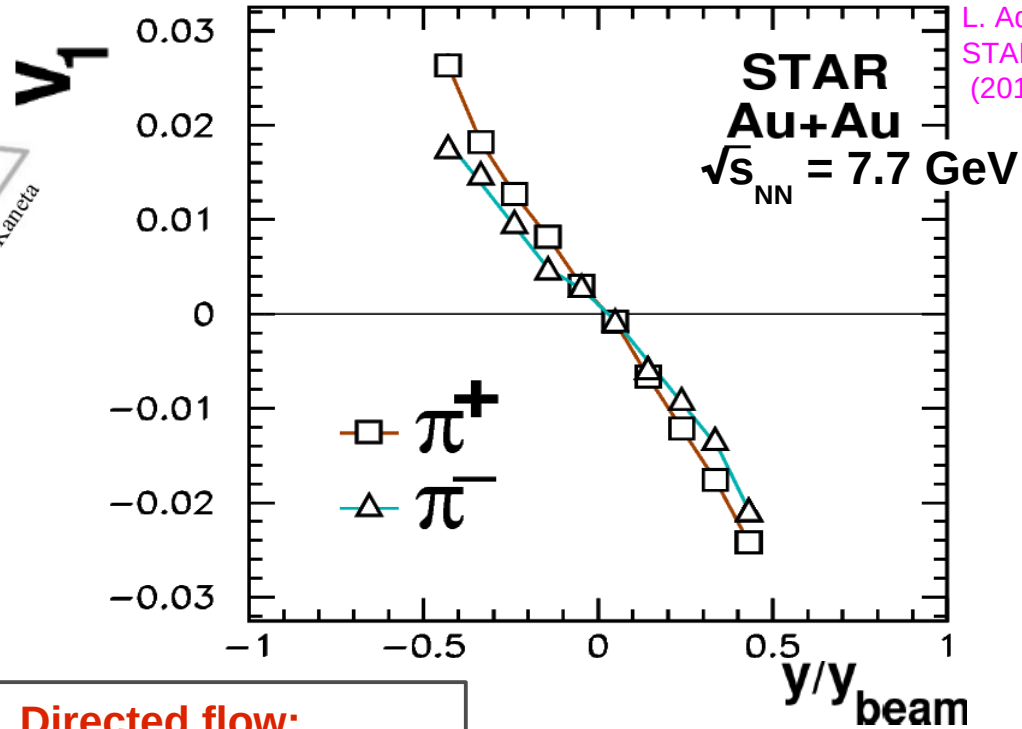
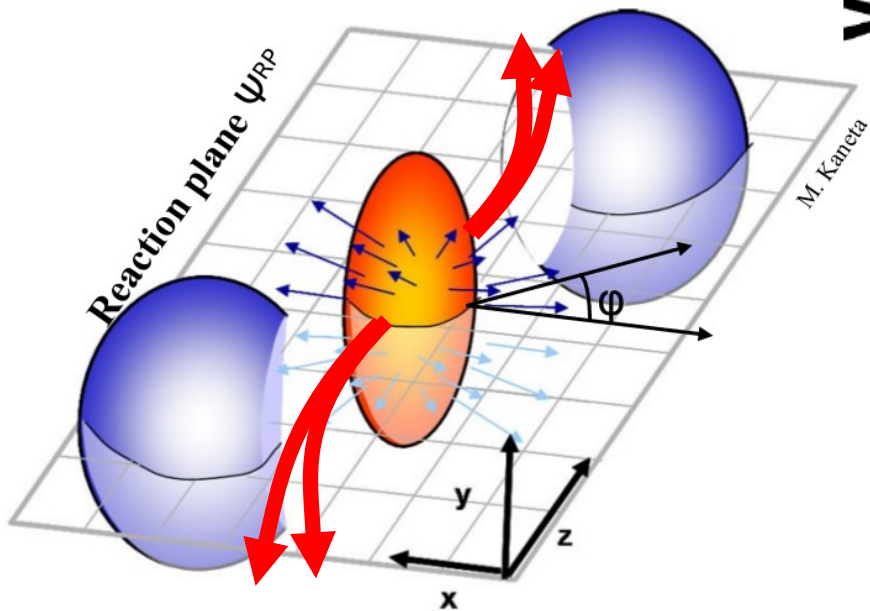
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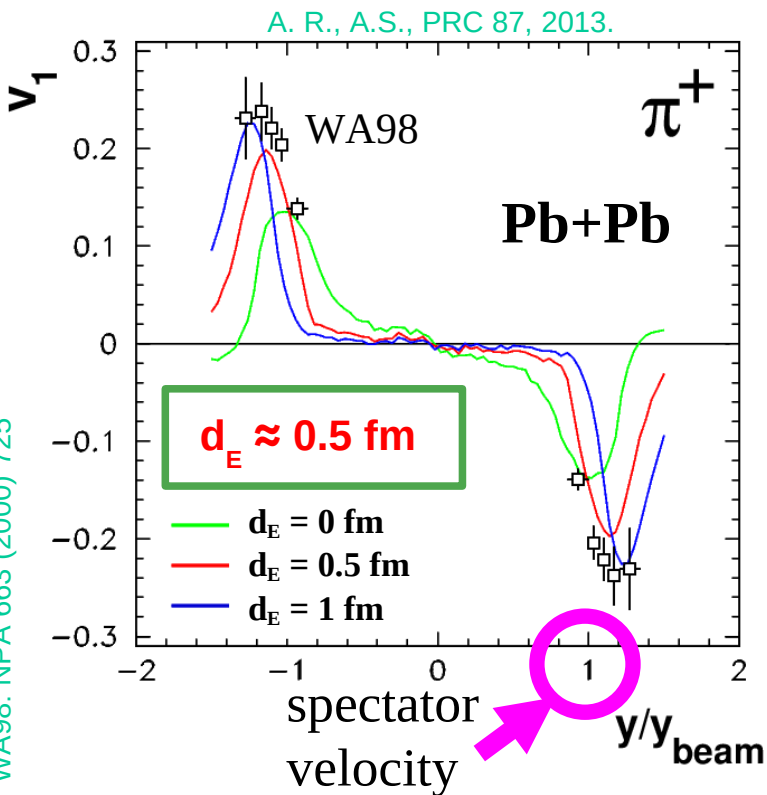
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Directed flow:

$$V_1 = \langle \cos(\phi - \Psi_{RP}) \rangle$$

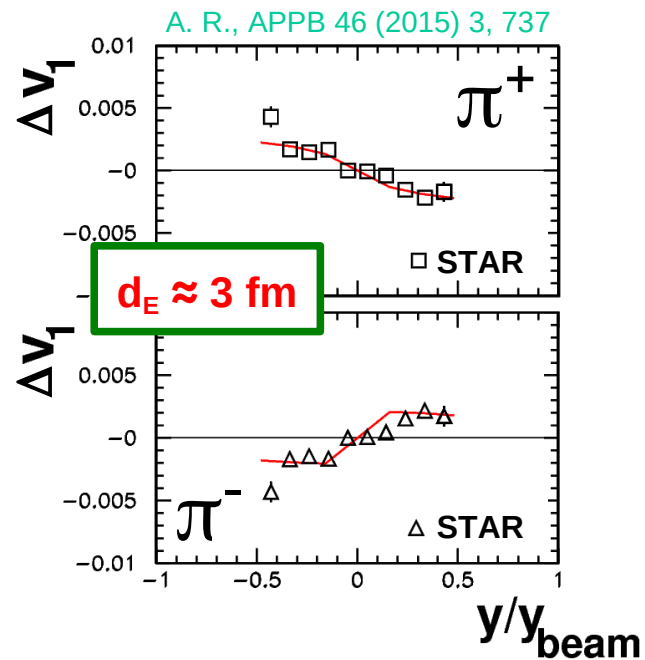
reflects **sideways**
collective motion of
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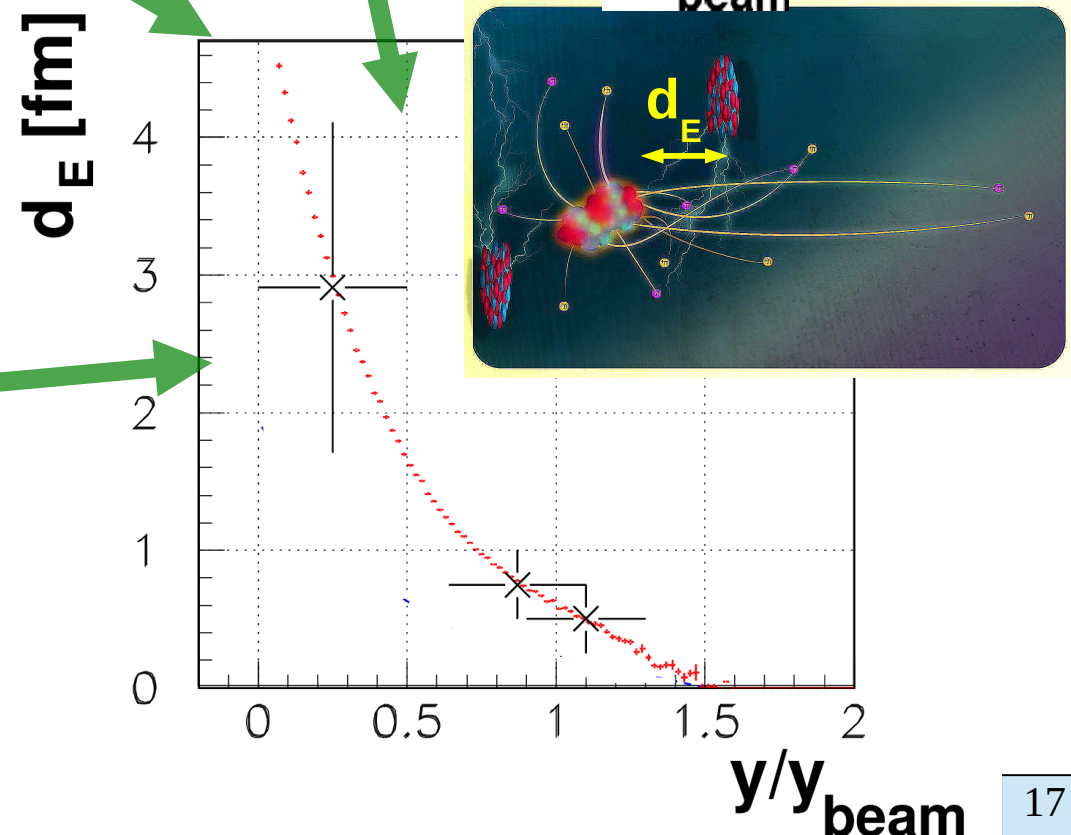
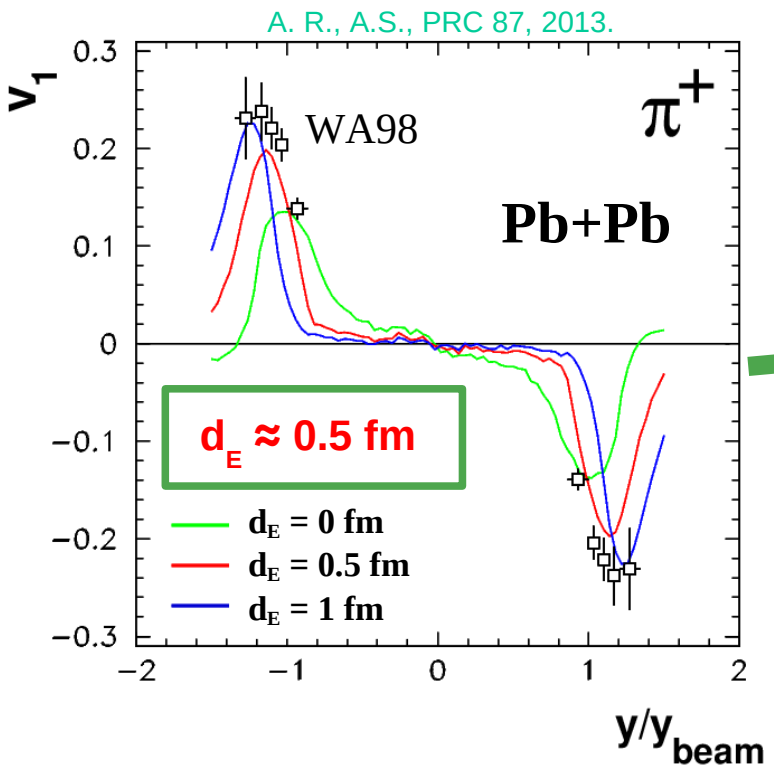
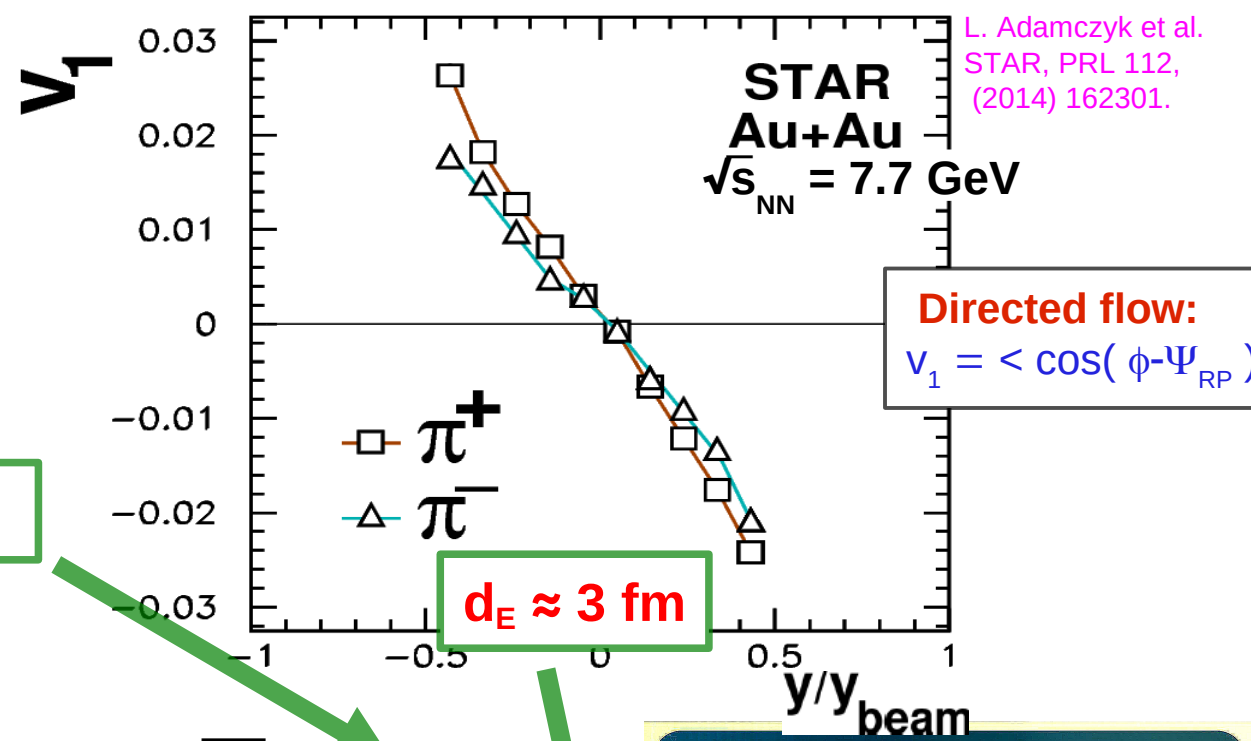
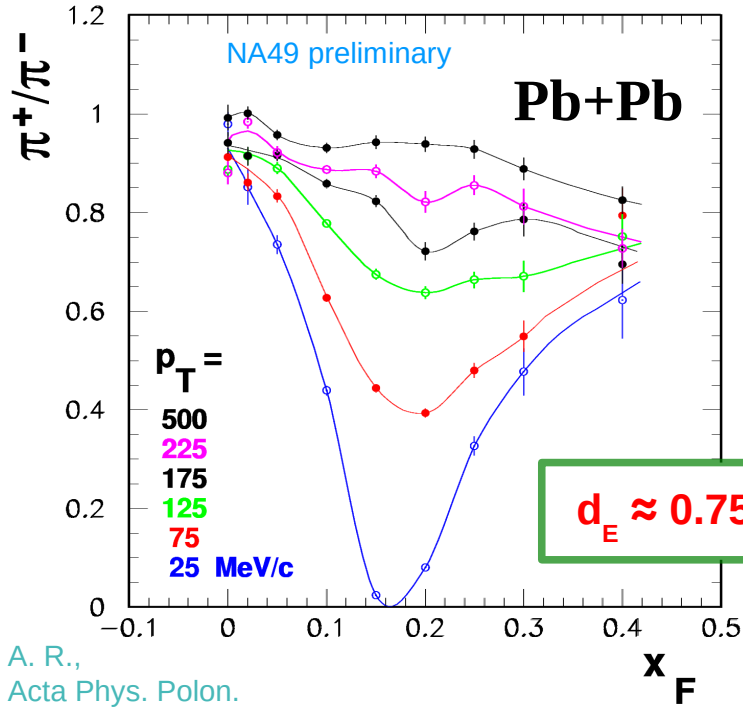
EM effects induce
charge splitting
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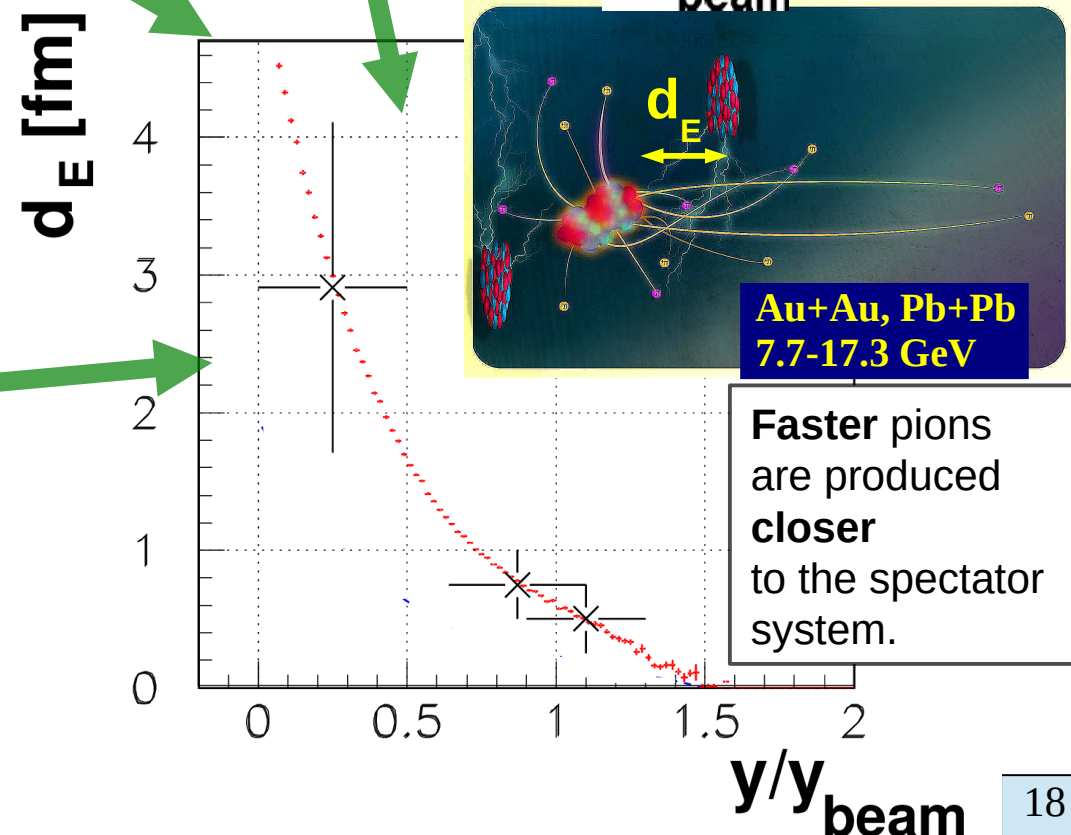
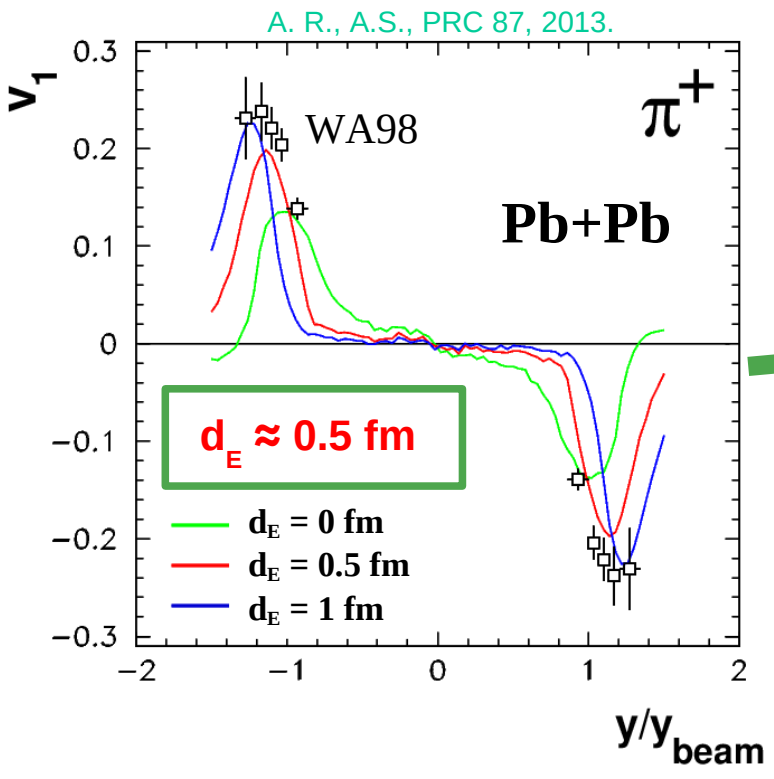
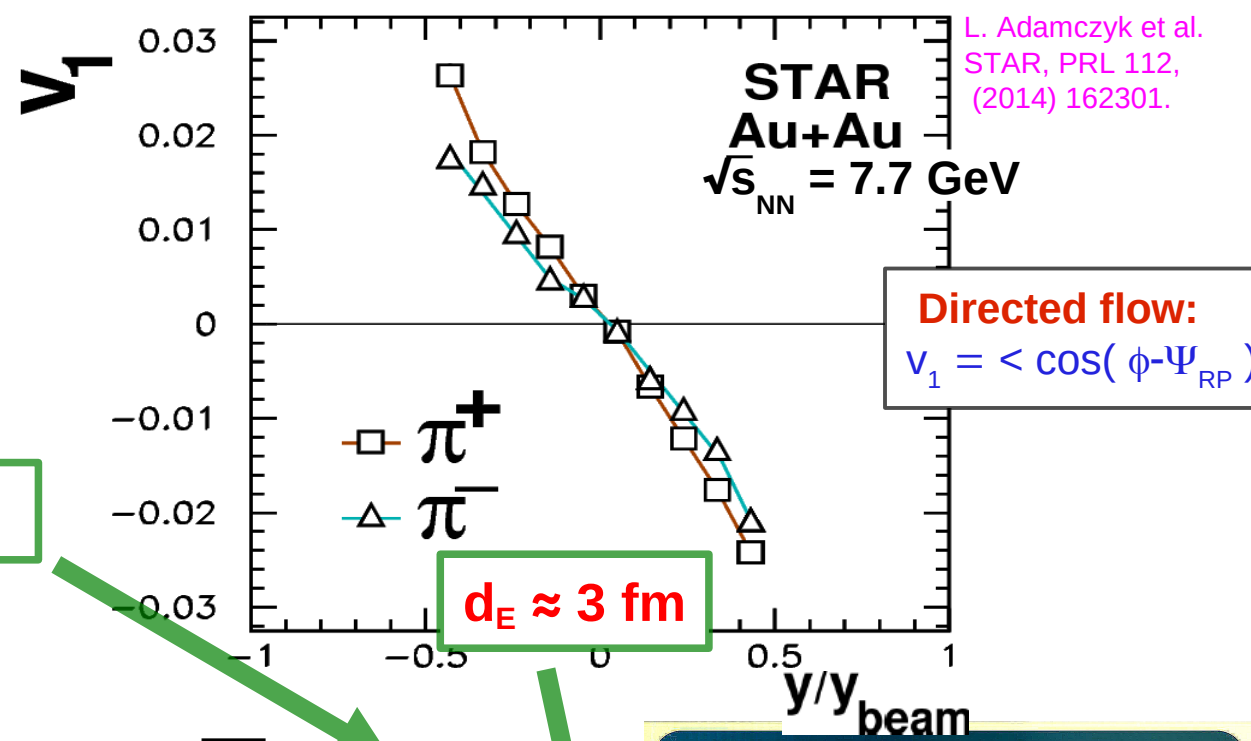
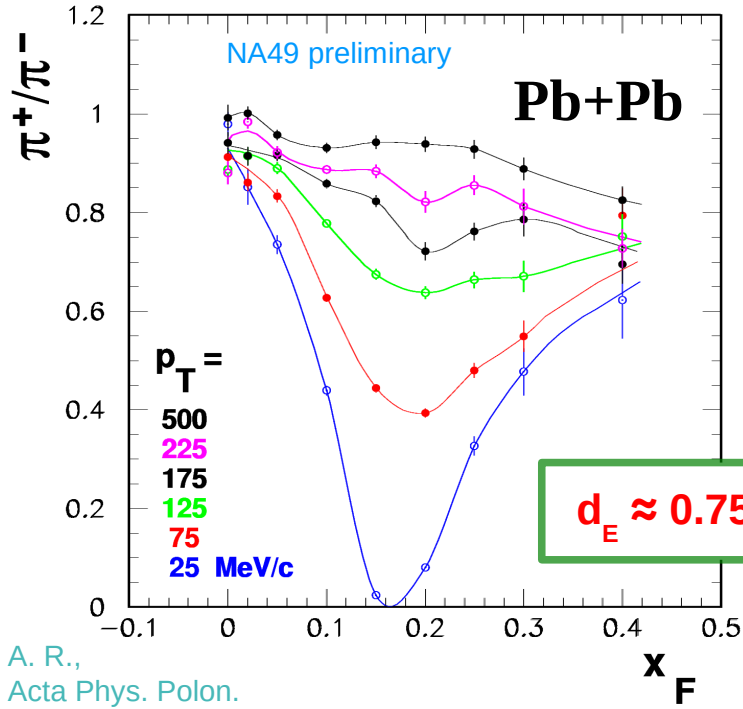
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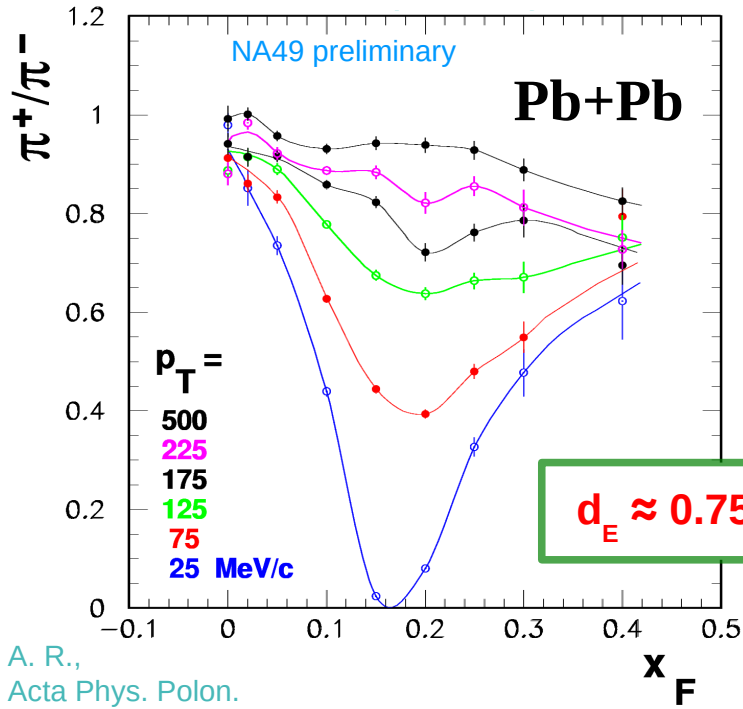
$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right)$$

$$y = \tanh^{-1}(v_z/c)$$

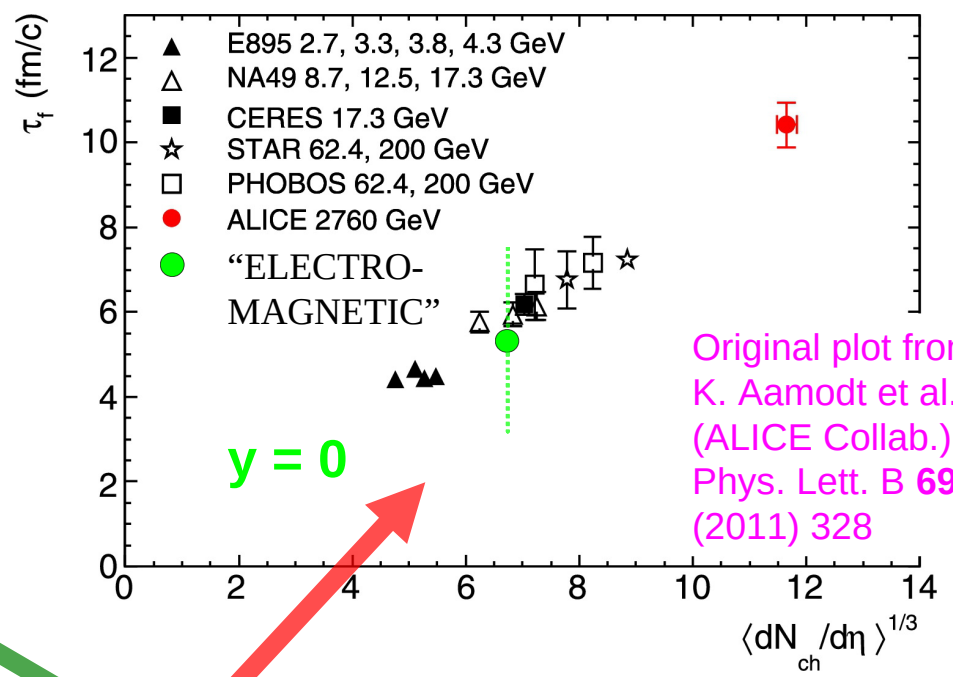






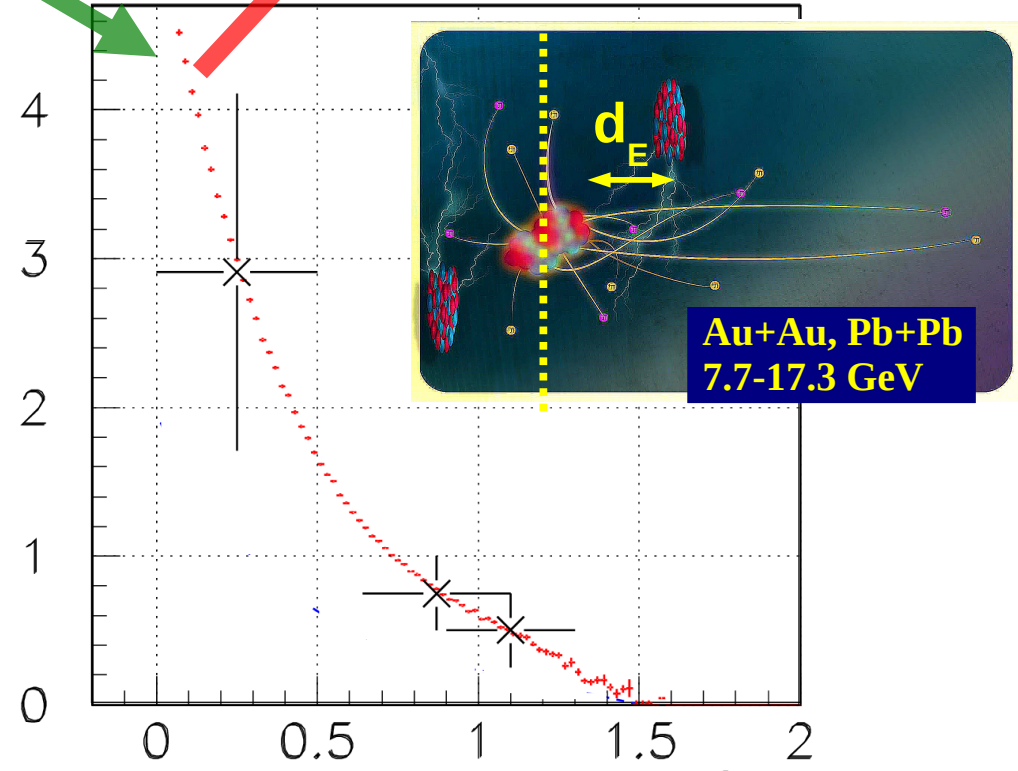


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Original plot from:
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 (ALICE Collab.),
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$d_E \text{ [fm]}$



- EM effects provide **their own estimate** for the time of pion creation, at $y=0$.

4) Space-time evolution of forward pion production

Plan:

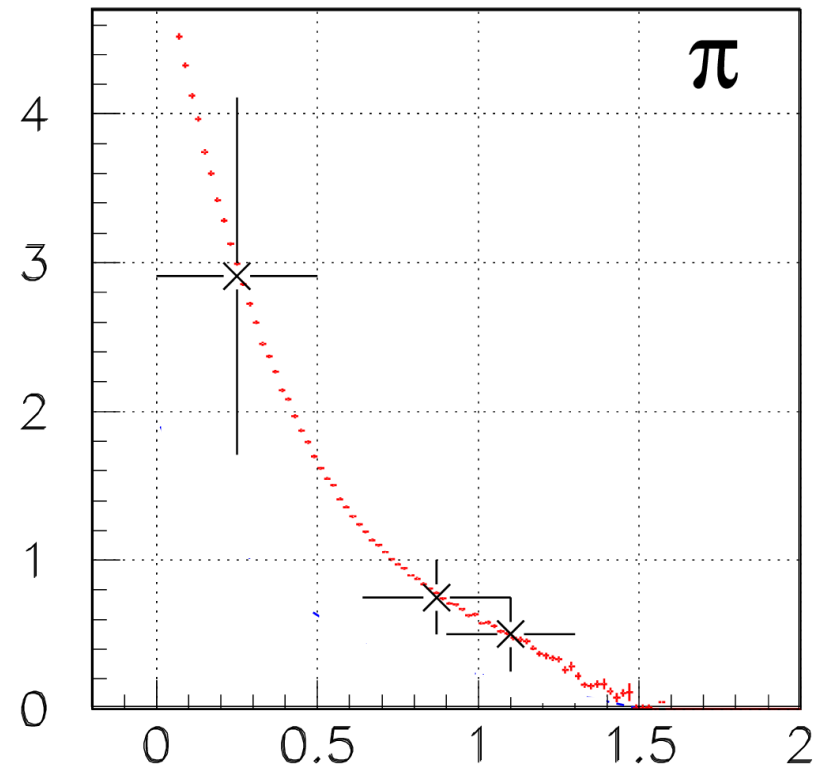
- Formulation of a simple model ;
- Validation with exp. data on rapidity distributions ;
- Application to EM effects.

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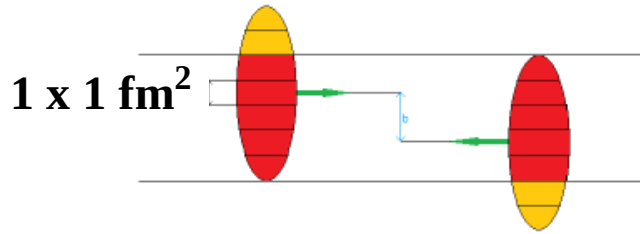
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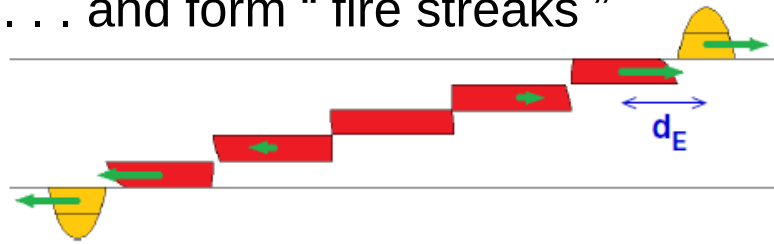
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Bricks collide ...



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... and form "fire streaks"



Each fire streak fragments independently into pions

available energy

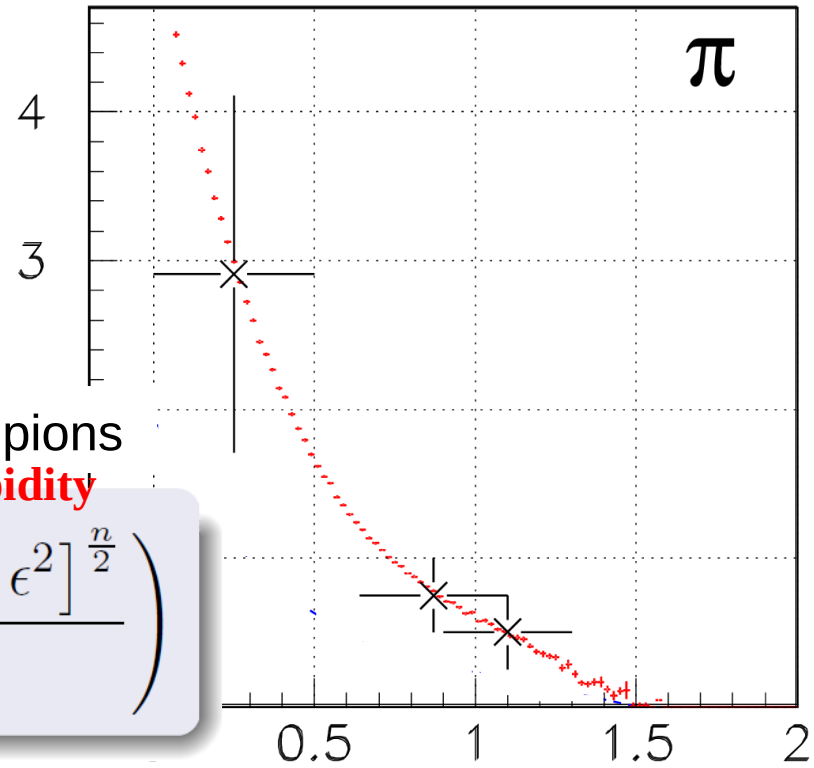
fire streak rapidity

$$\frac{dn}{dy} = A \cdot (E_s^* - m_s) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{[(y - y_s)^2 + \epsilon^2]^{\frac{n}{2}}}{n\sigma_y^n}\right)$$

total fire streak energy

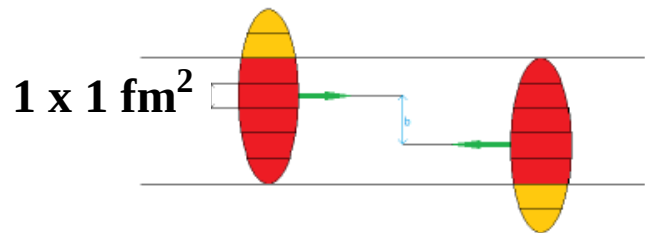
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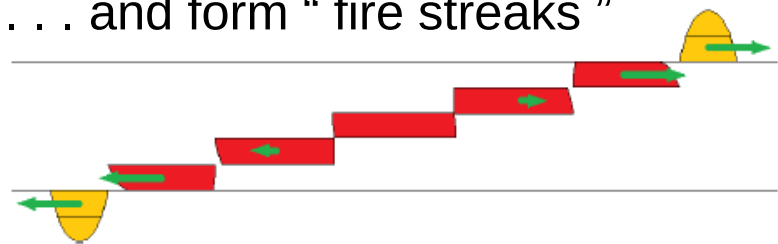
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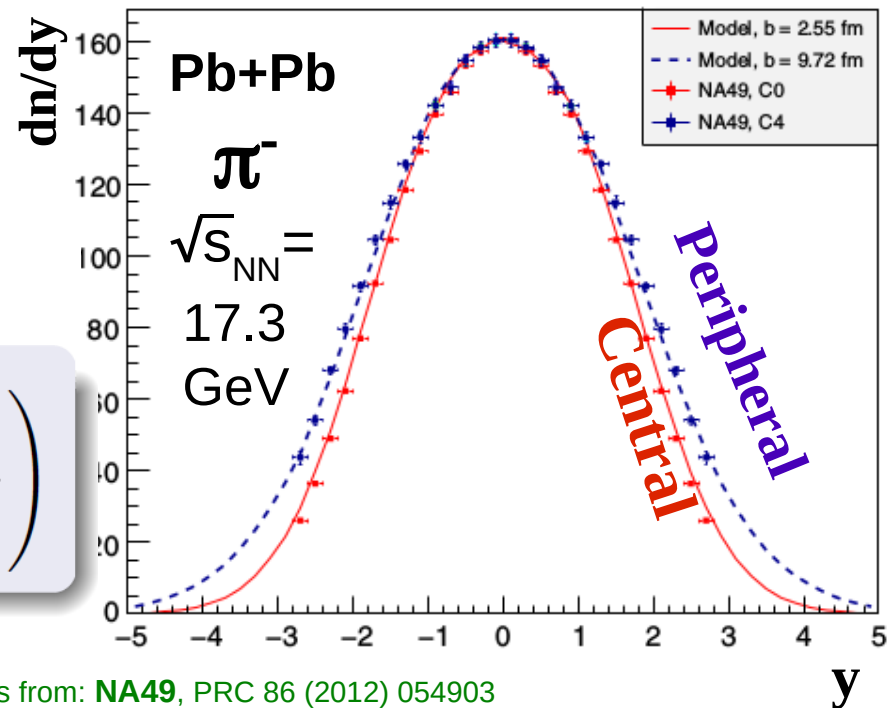
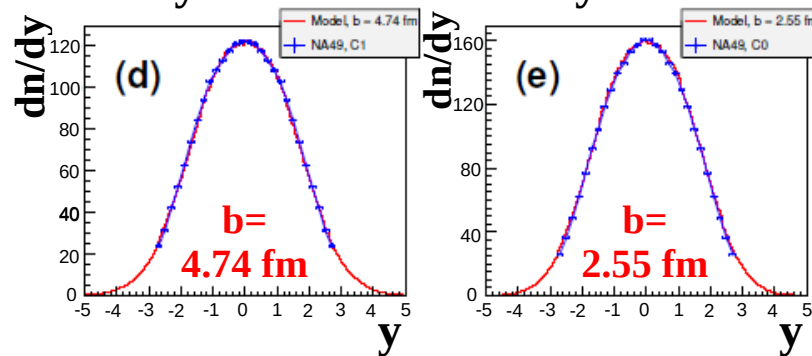
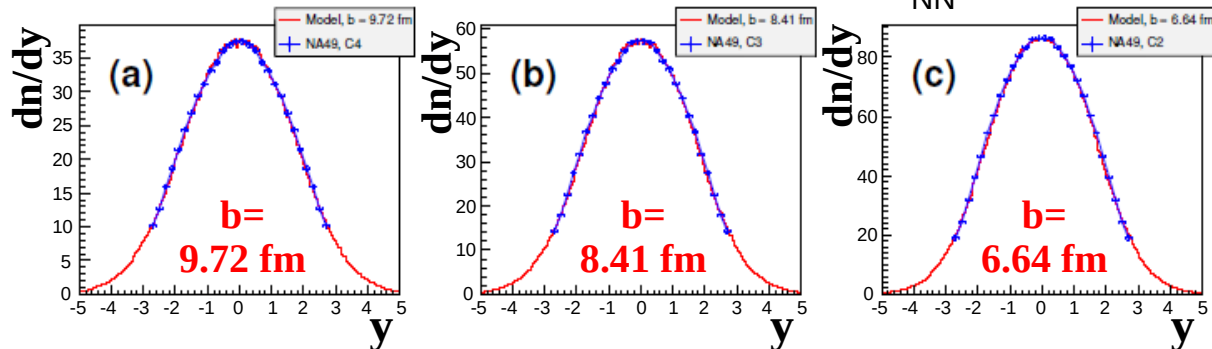
Each fire streak fragments independently into pions

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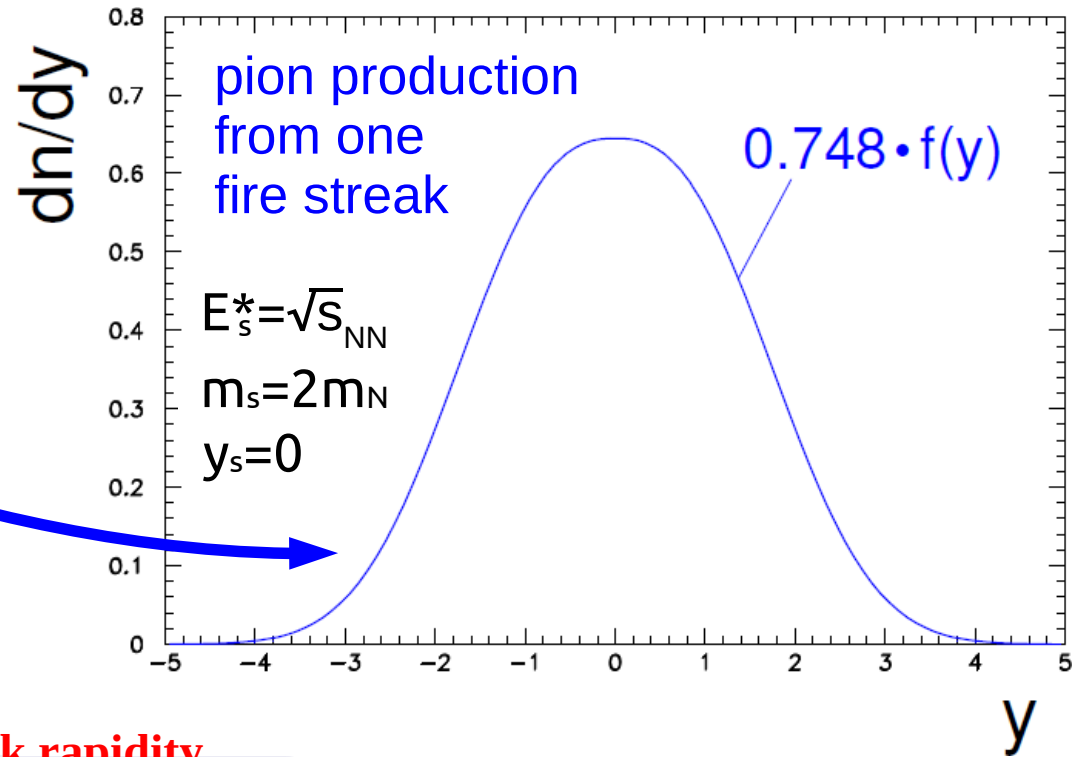
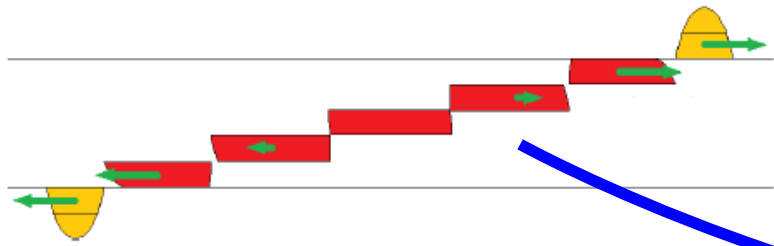
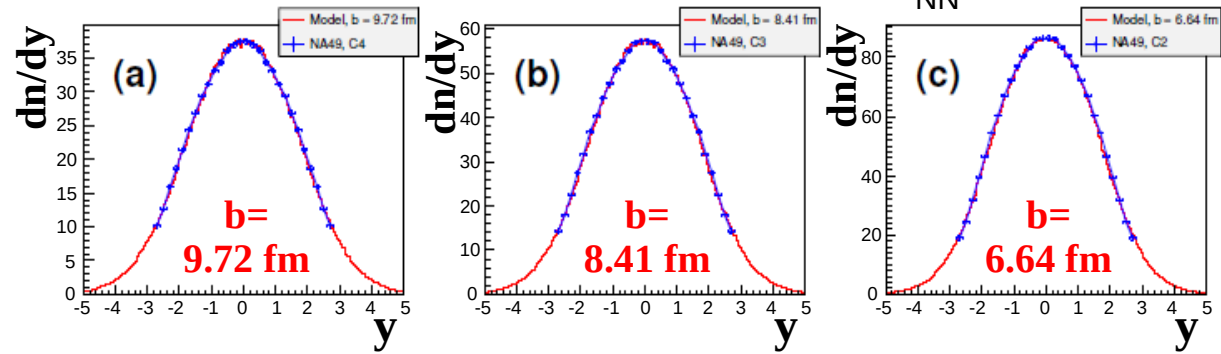
total fire streak energy

sum of brick masses

NA49, π^- , Pb+Pb, $\sqrt{s}_{NN} = 17.3$ GeV



data points from: NA49, PRC 86 (2012) 054903



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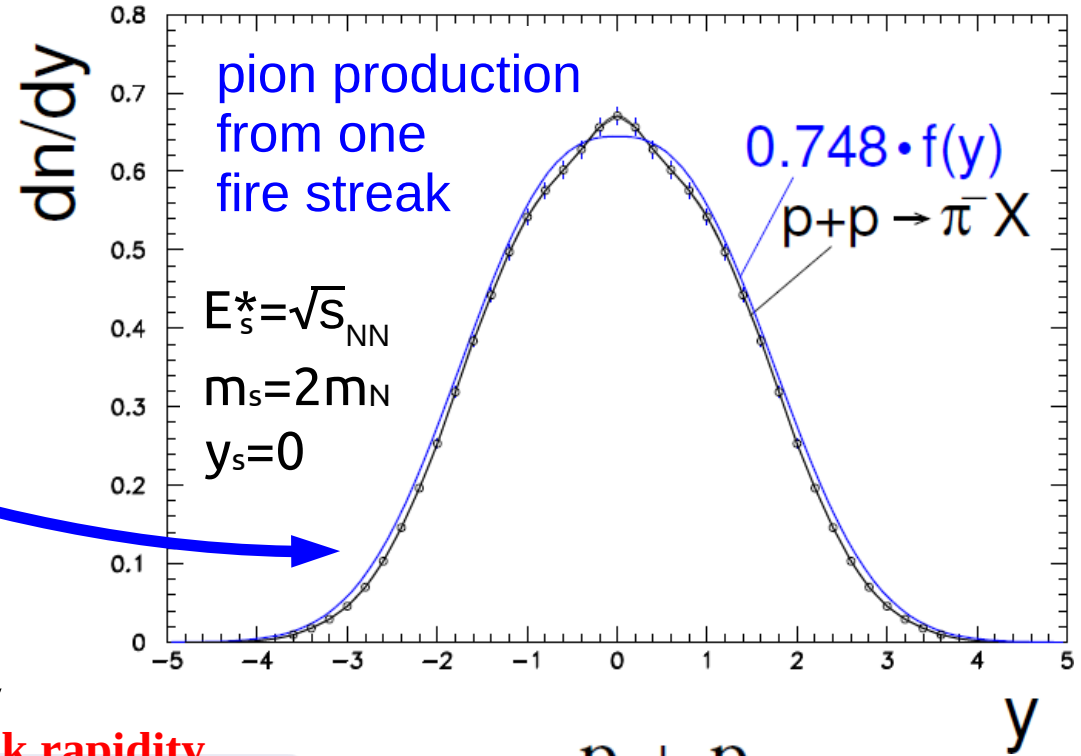
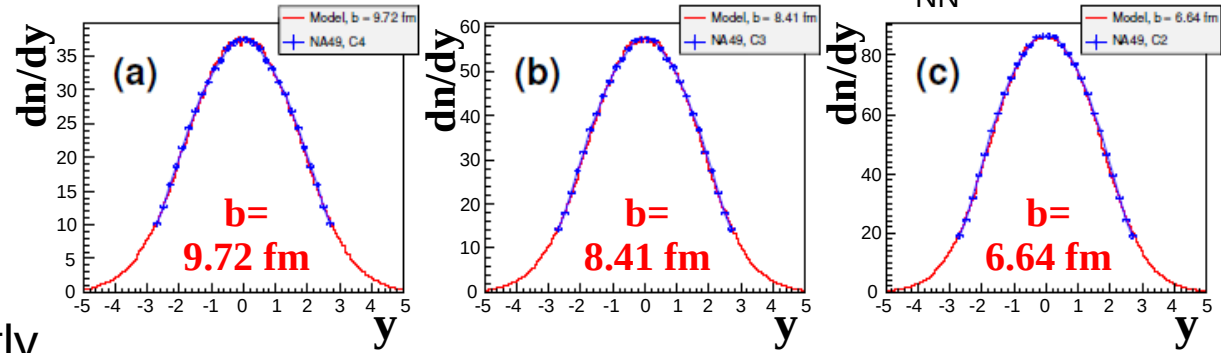
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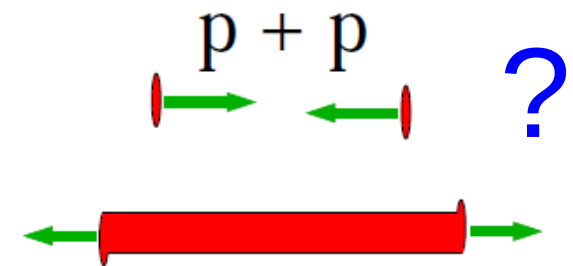


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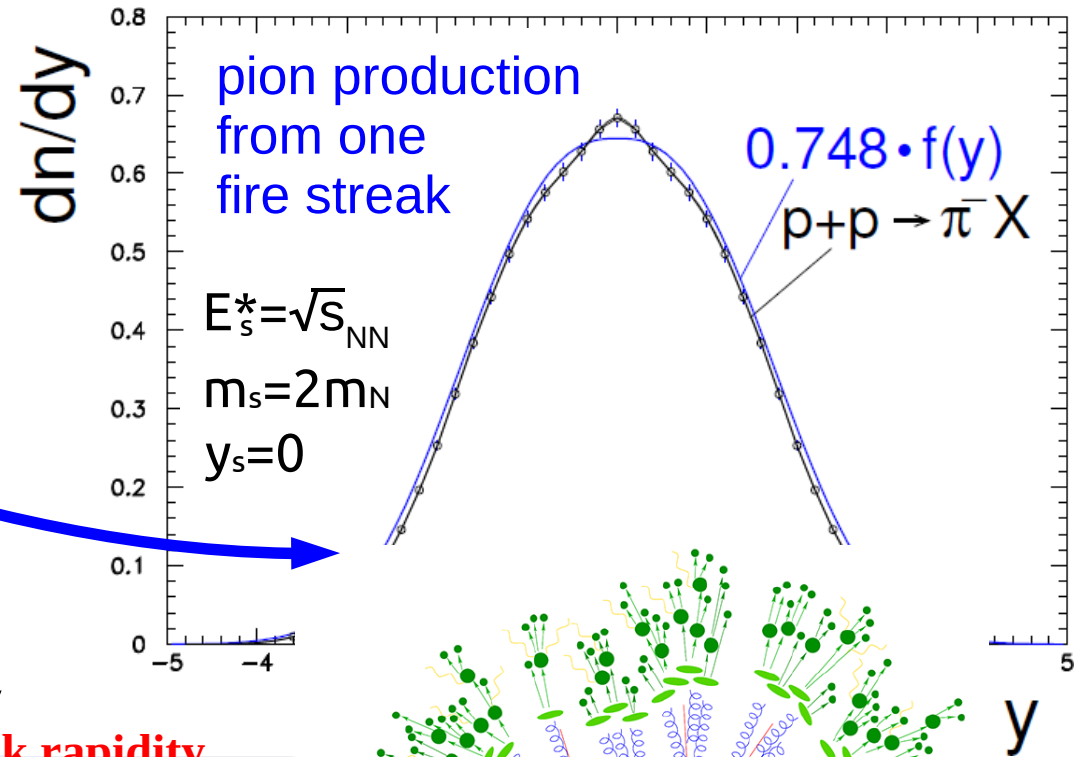
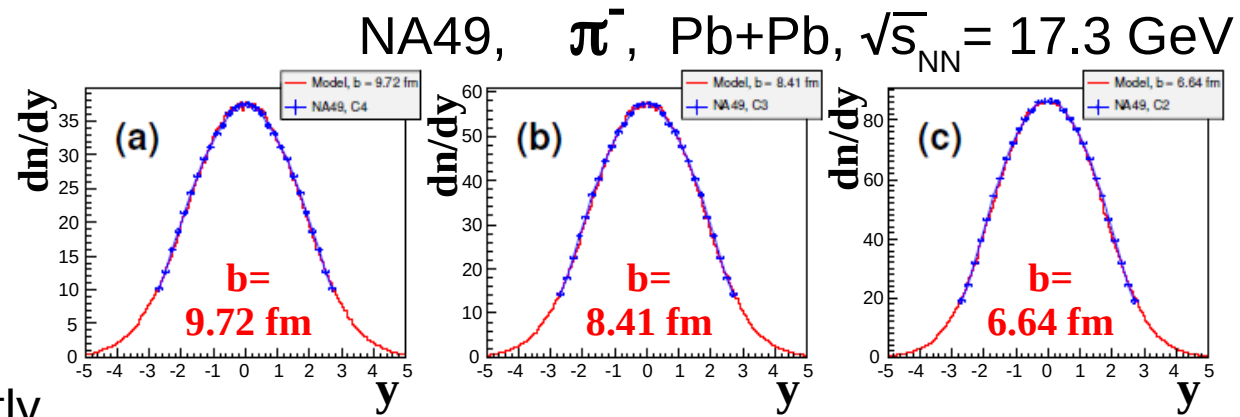
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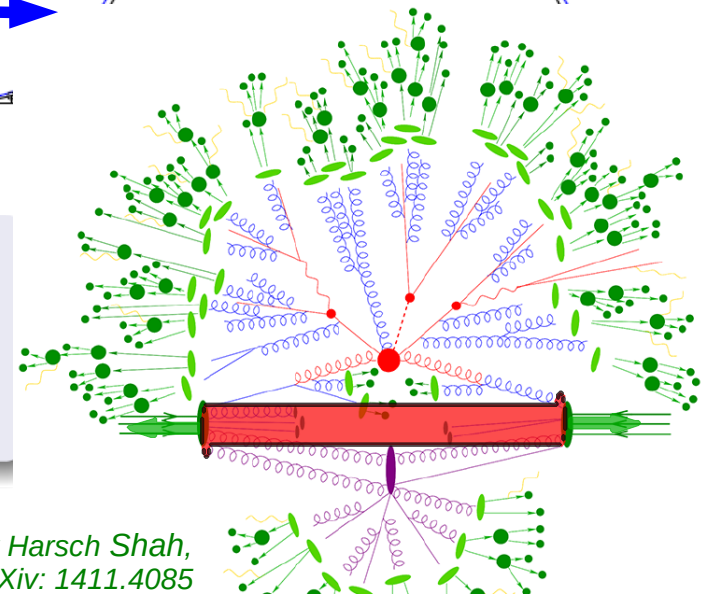


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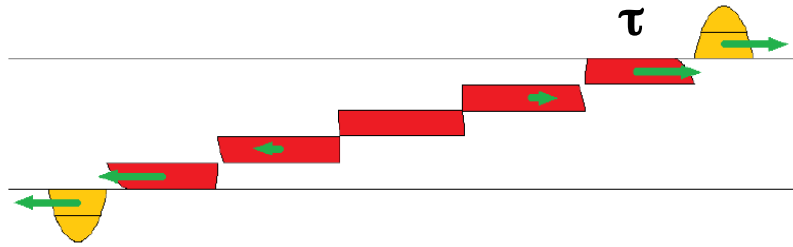
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Courtesy by Harsch Shah, S.Hoche, arXiv: 1411.4085

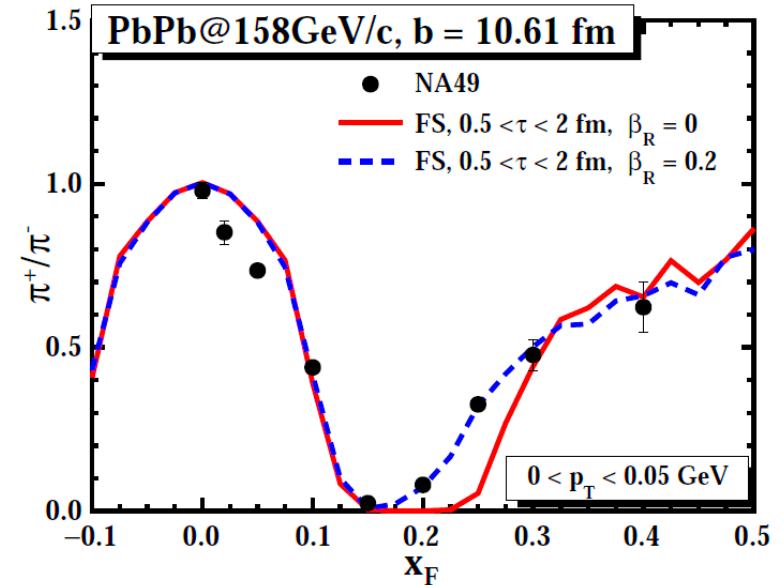
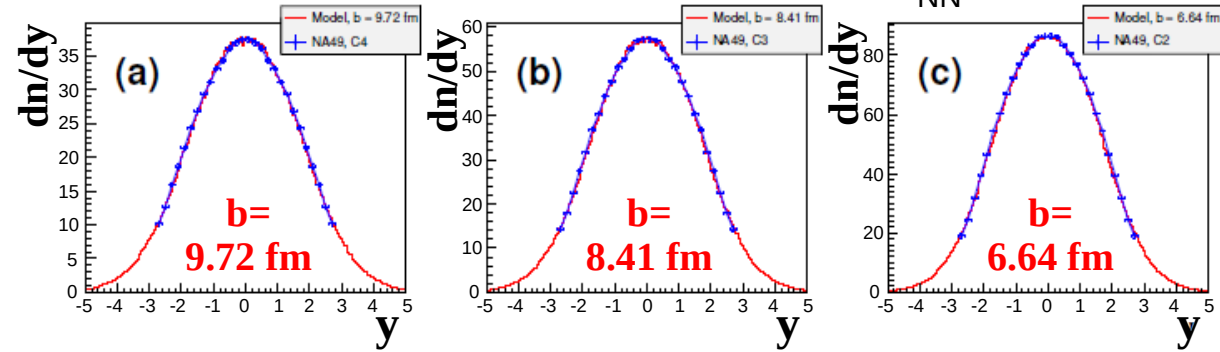
Application to EM effects

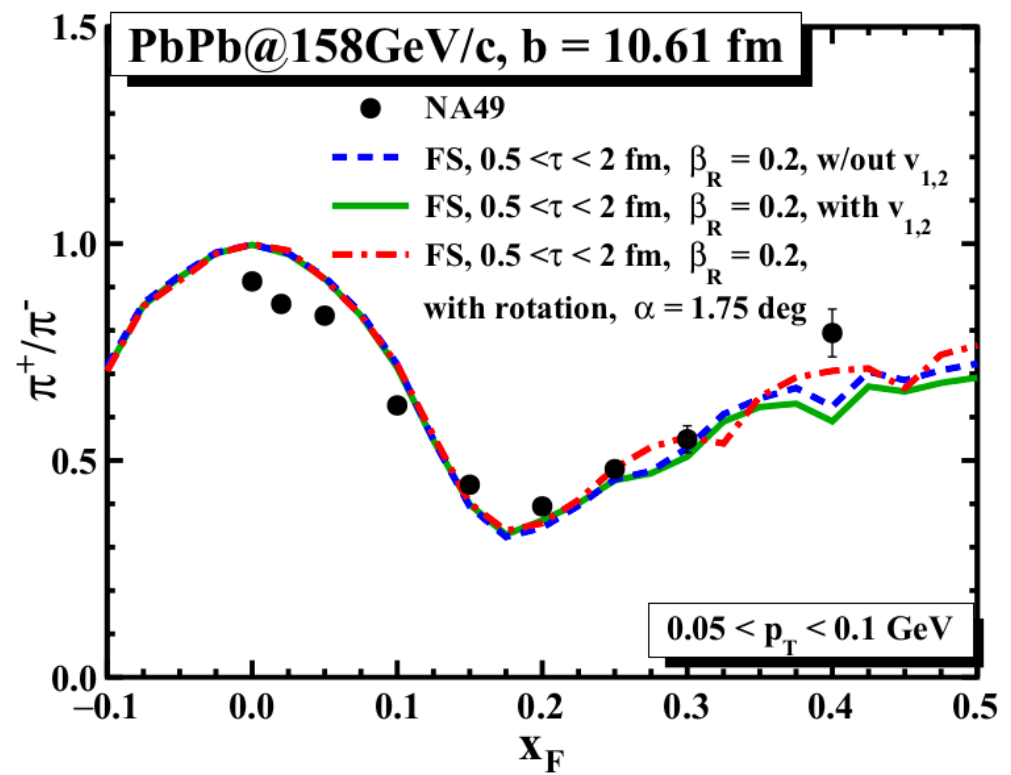
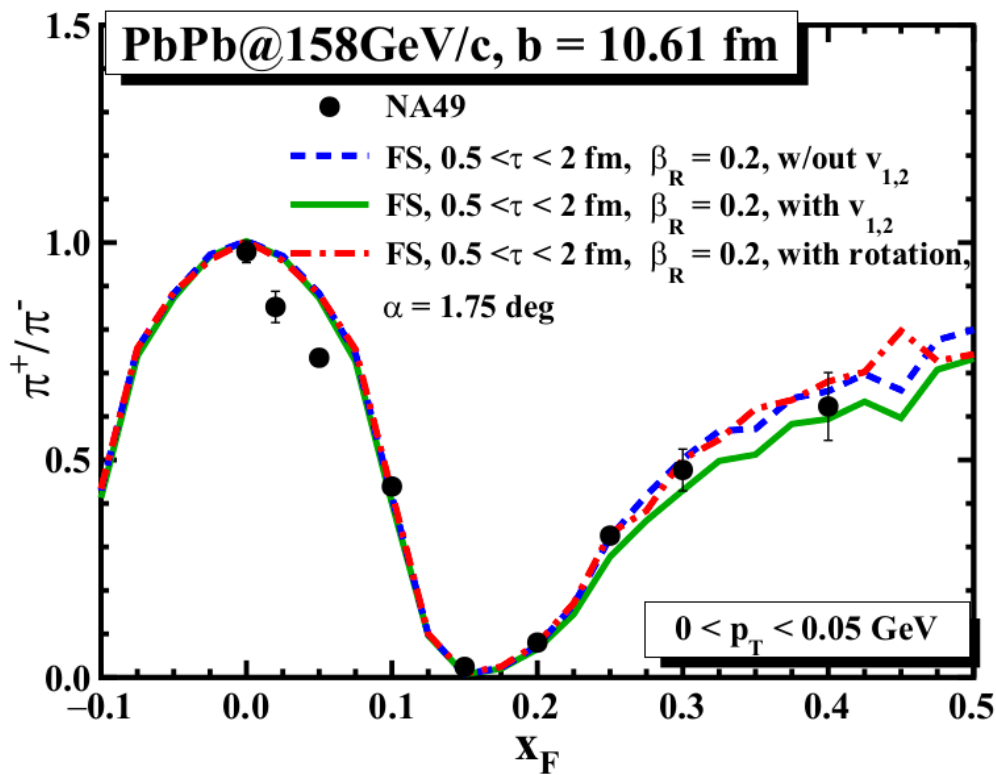
- Longitudinal evolution of the system → from our model ;
- Initial (before the action of the EM field) rapidity distribution of pions from our model ;



- Initial p_T distribution of pions → from UrQMD v3.4 ;
- Fragmentation (expansion) of the spectator charge → included ;
- Isospin (p/n) effects between π^+ and π^- → included → PRC 99 (2019) 024908 ;
- Azimuthal anisotropies (flow), vorticity, transverse expansion → included optionally ;
- The pion creation time τ (taken in the fire streak c.m.s.) → taken as free parameter .

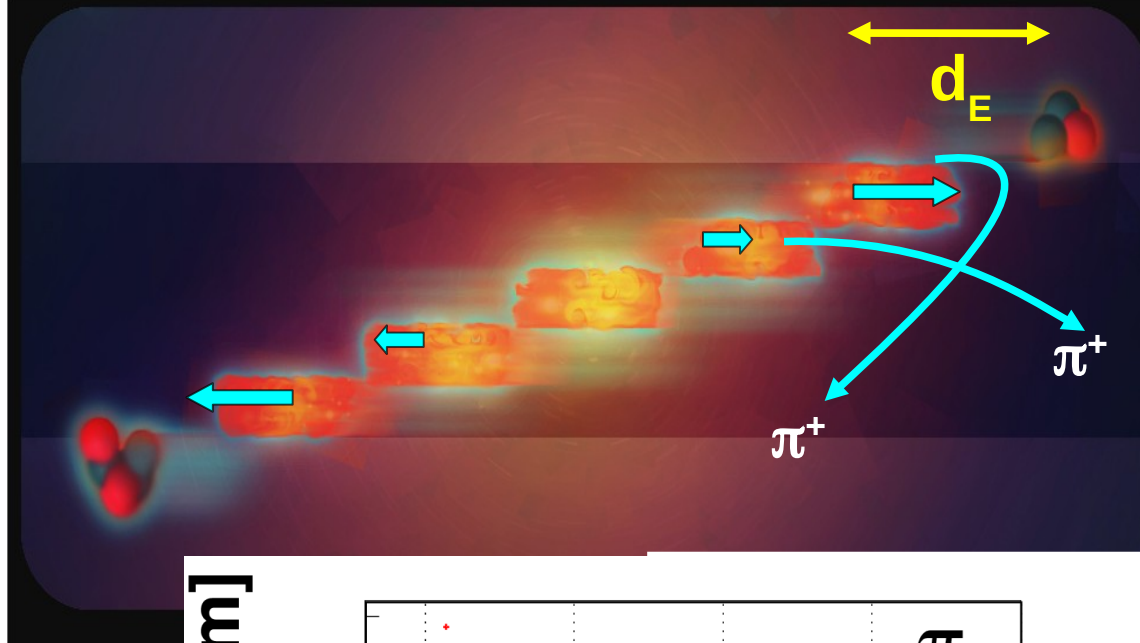
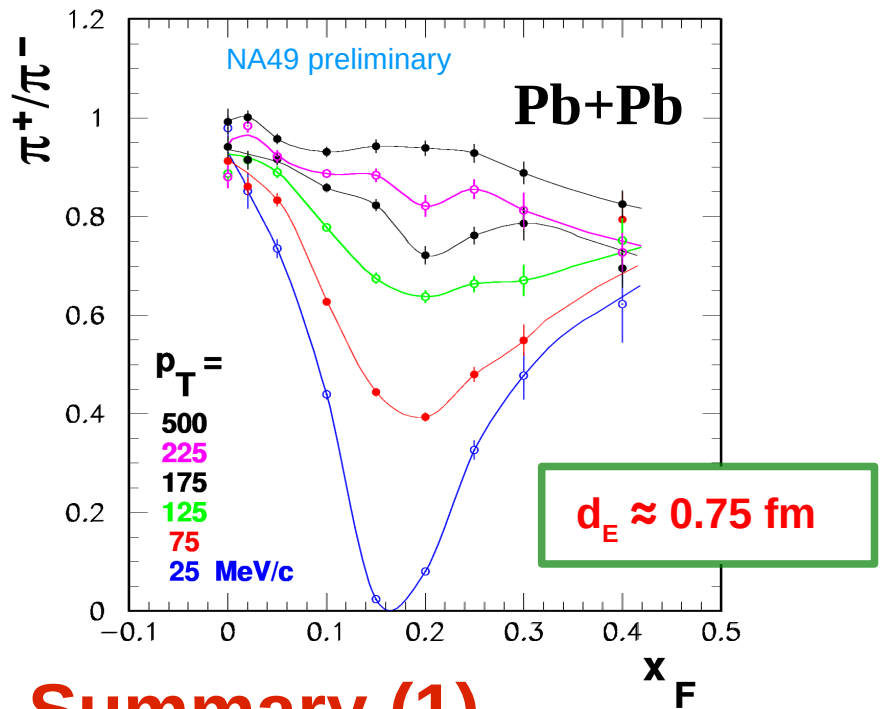
NA49, π^- , Pb+Pb, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17.3$ GeV





First quantitative description of the electromagnetic distortion of π^+/π^- ratios in Pb+Pb collisions at 158 GeV/nucleon beam energy ($\sqrt{s_{NN}}=17.3$ GeV) [PRC102 (2020) 014901].

- ➔ Reasonable agreement with experimental data for $x_F \geq 0.1$;
- ➔ Inclusion of spectator expansion improves the description of exp. data ;
- ➔ **Short pion creation times ($0.5 < \tau < 2$ fm/c, to be compared with ~ 5.5 fm/c at $y=0$).**



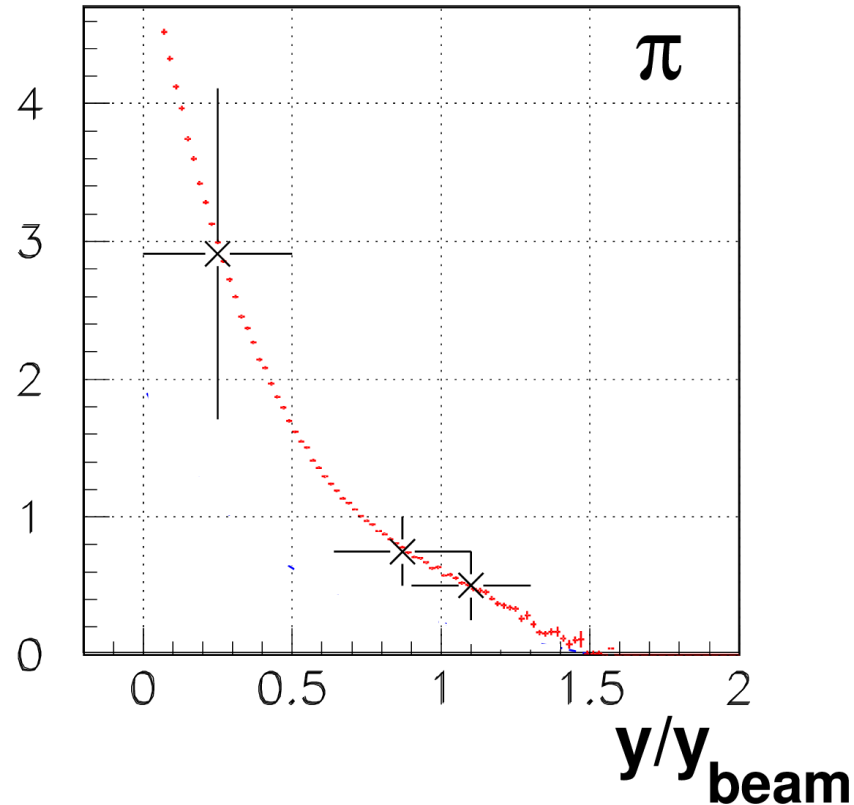
Summary (1)

- EM effects induced by spectators bring **new information** on the **space-time evolution** of the process of (fast) pion production ;
- We obtained this information and used it ;
- Results look reasonable.

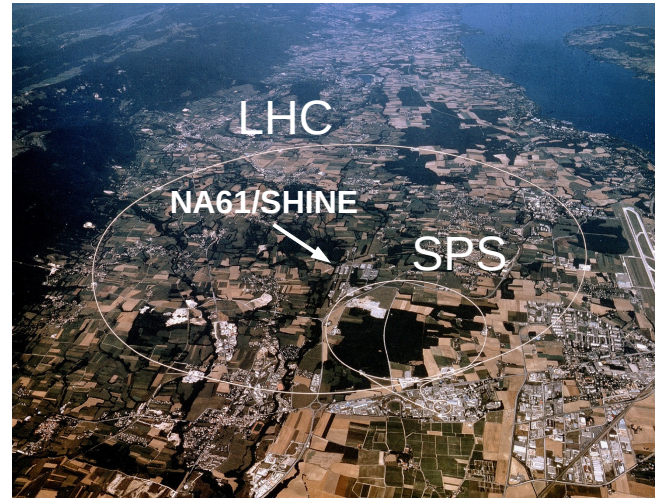
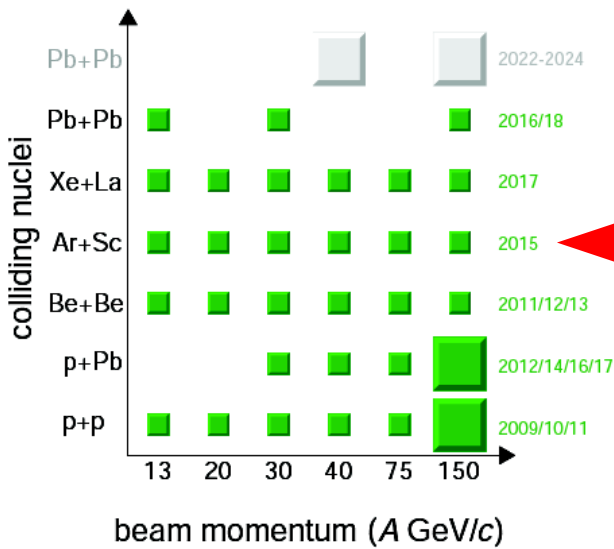
→ Small systems ;

→ UPC (gamma-gamma) .

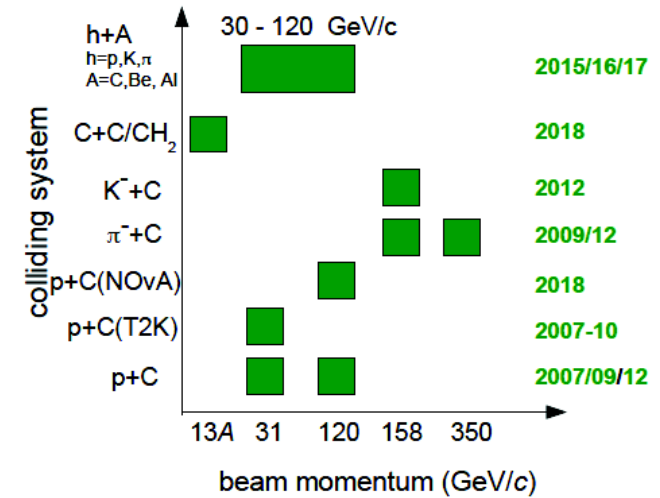
d_E [fm]



SHINE = SPS Heavy Ion and Neutrino Experiment



$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.1-17.3(27.4) \text{ GeV}$$



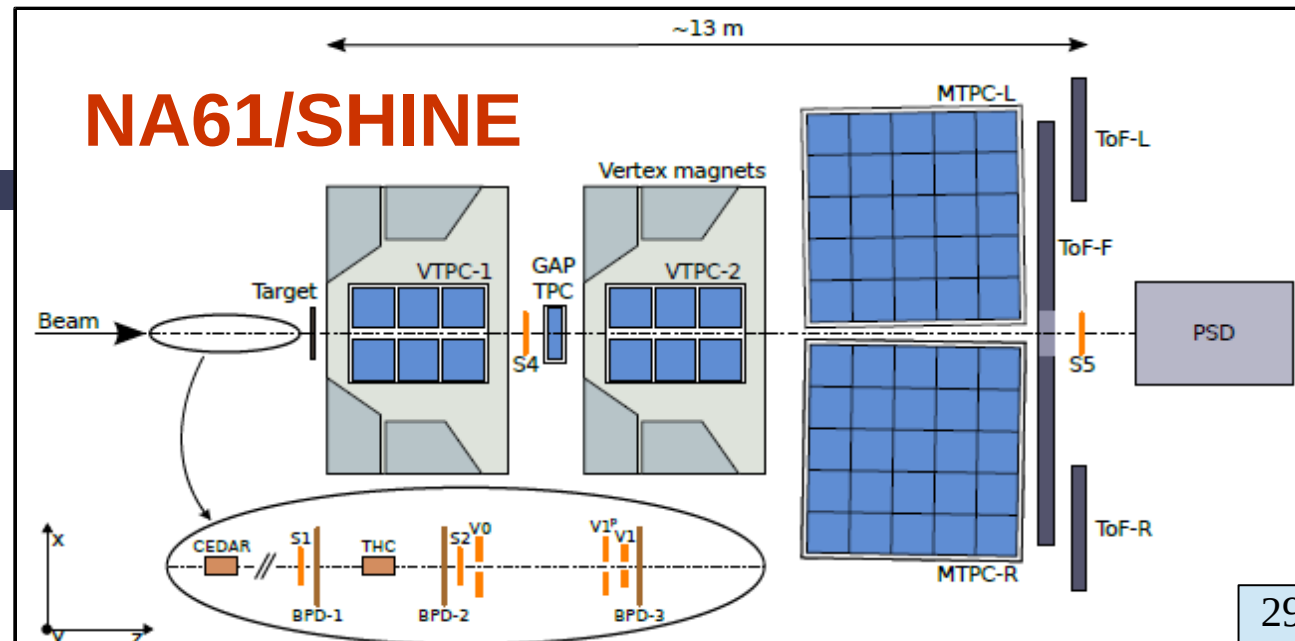
Strong interactions

- study the onset of deconfinement
- search for the critical point

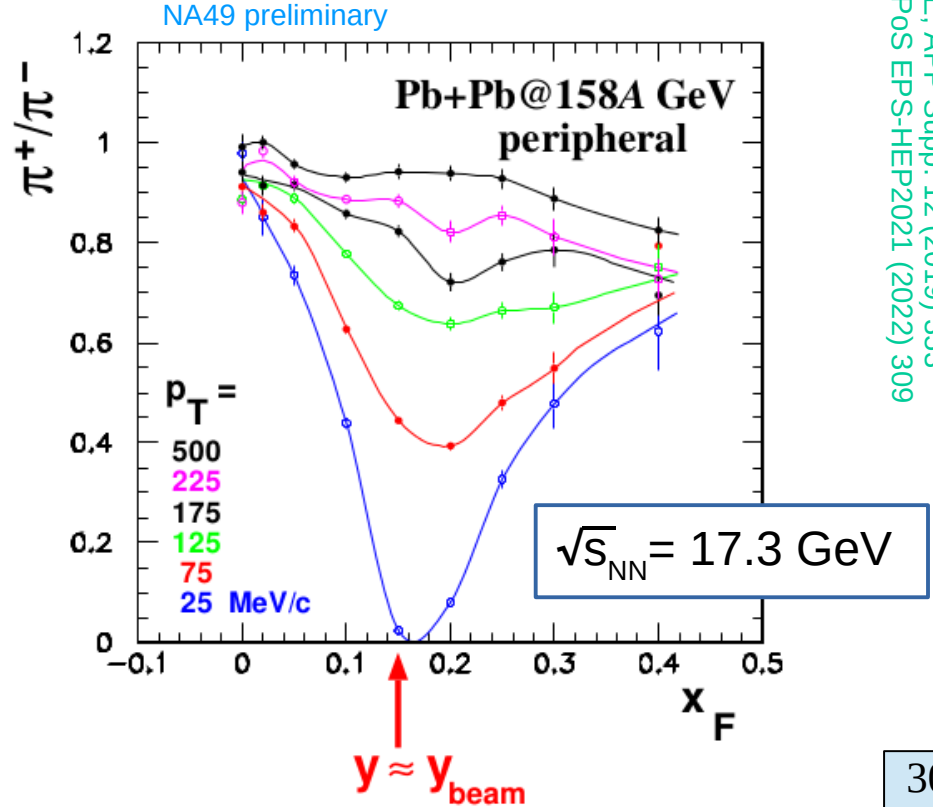
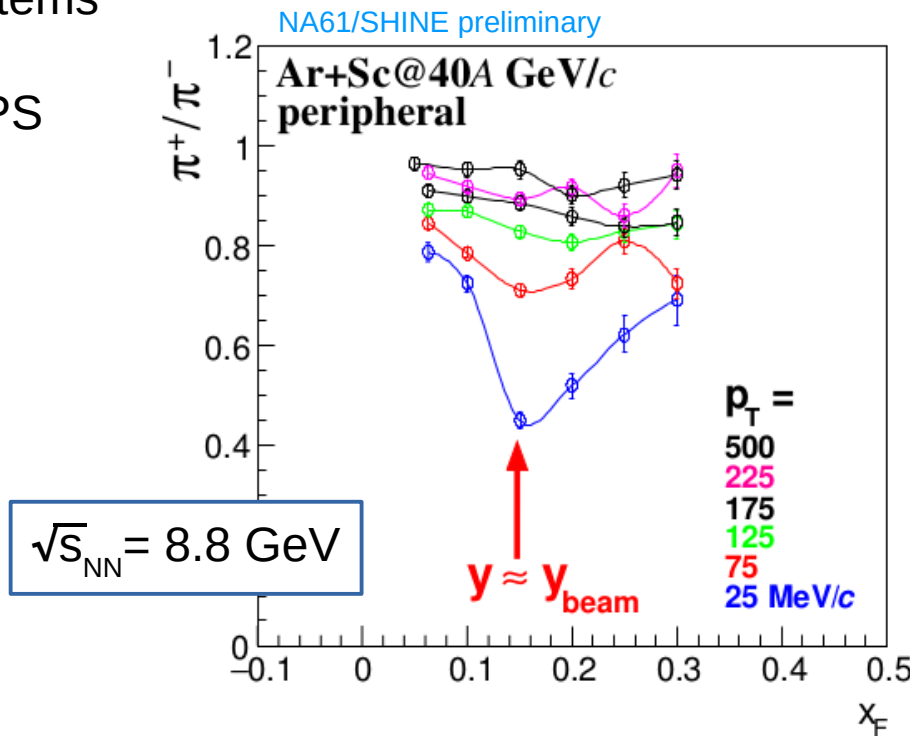
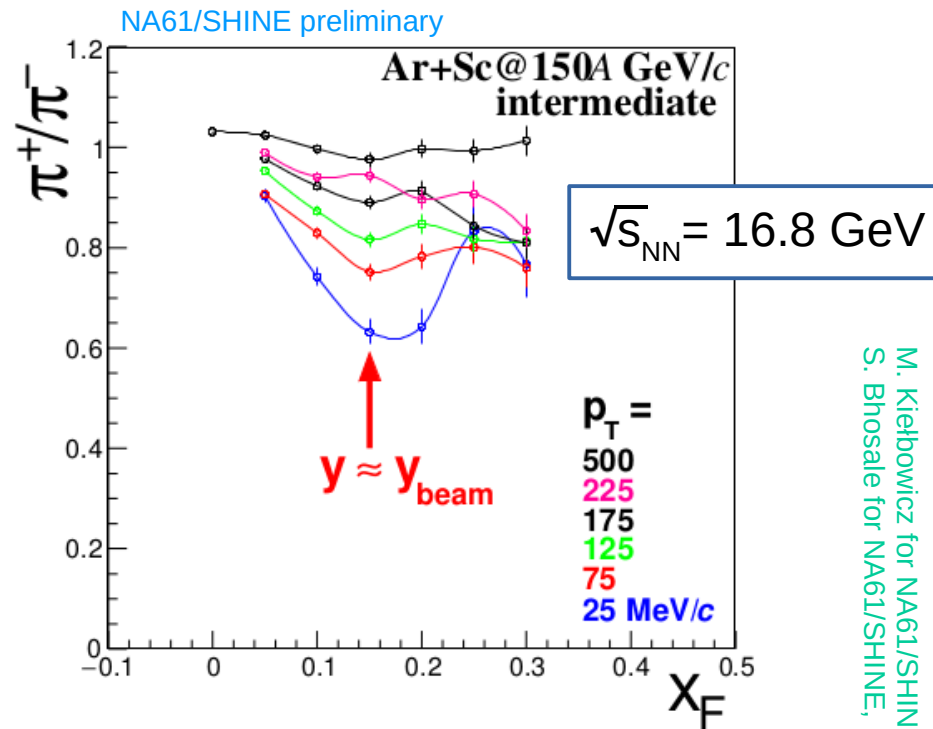
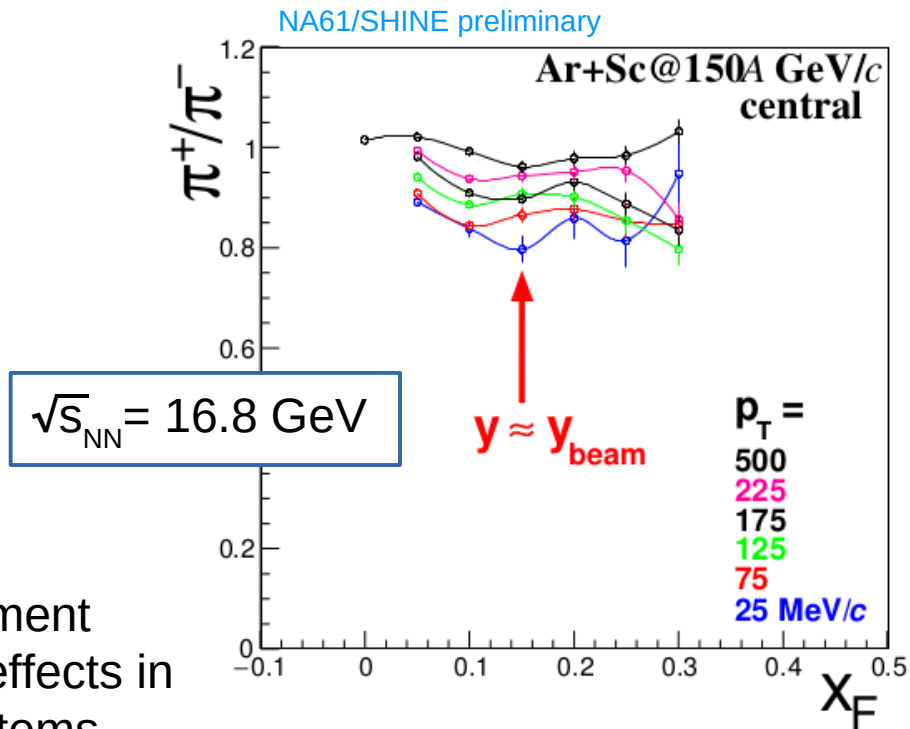
Cosmic rays and neutrinos

Adapted from Antoni Marcinek, QM22

5) Small systems

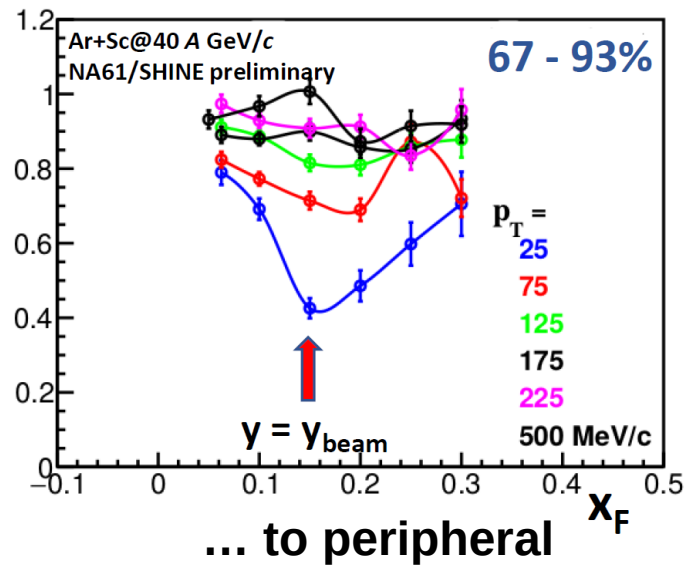
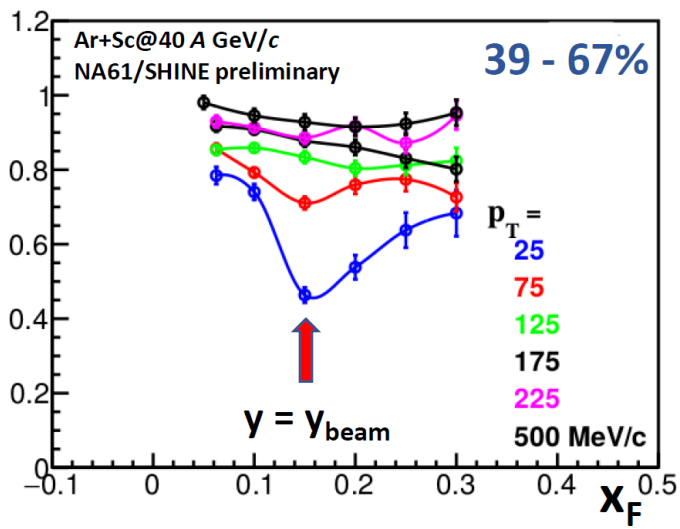
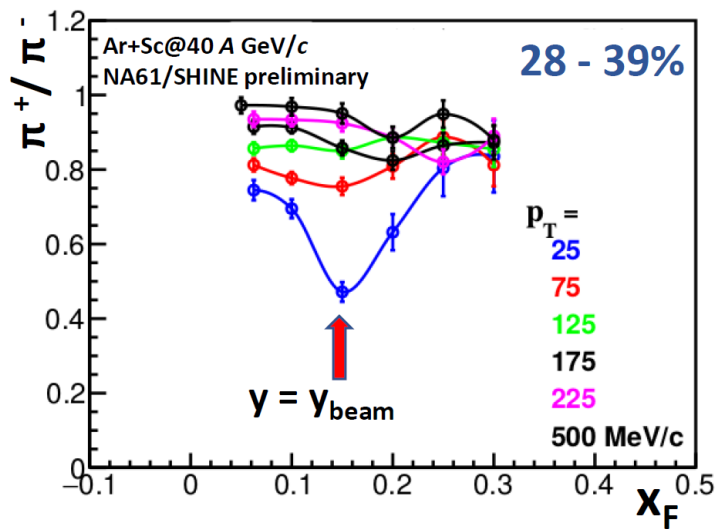
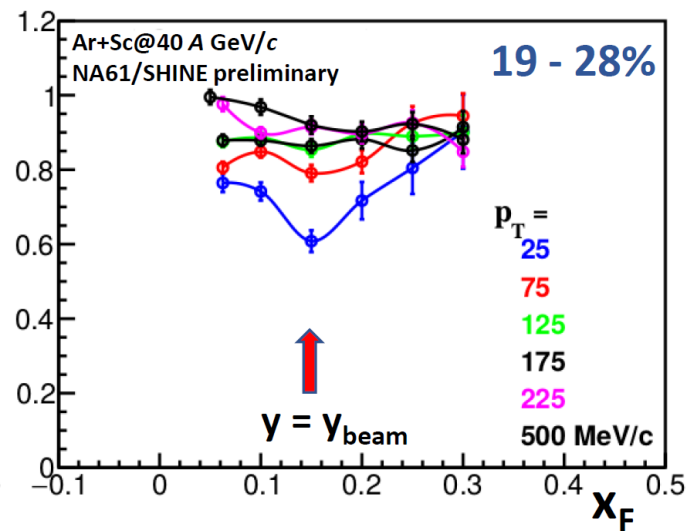
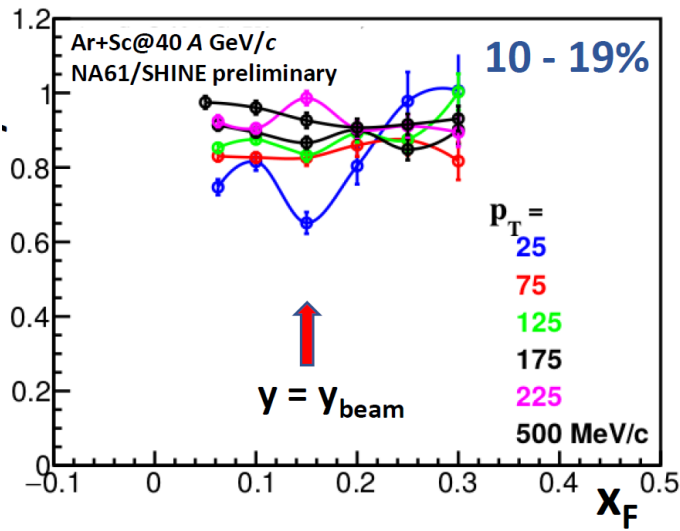
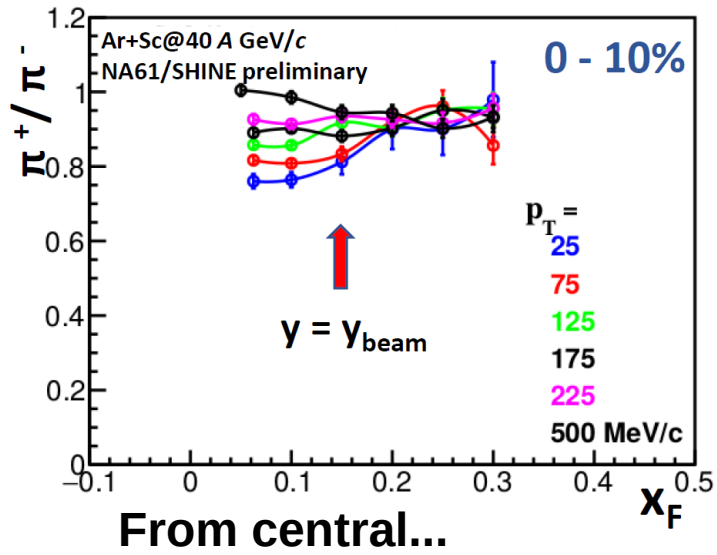


First ever measurement of these effects in small systems at the CERN SPS



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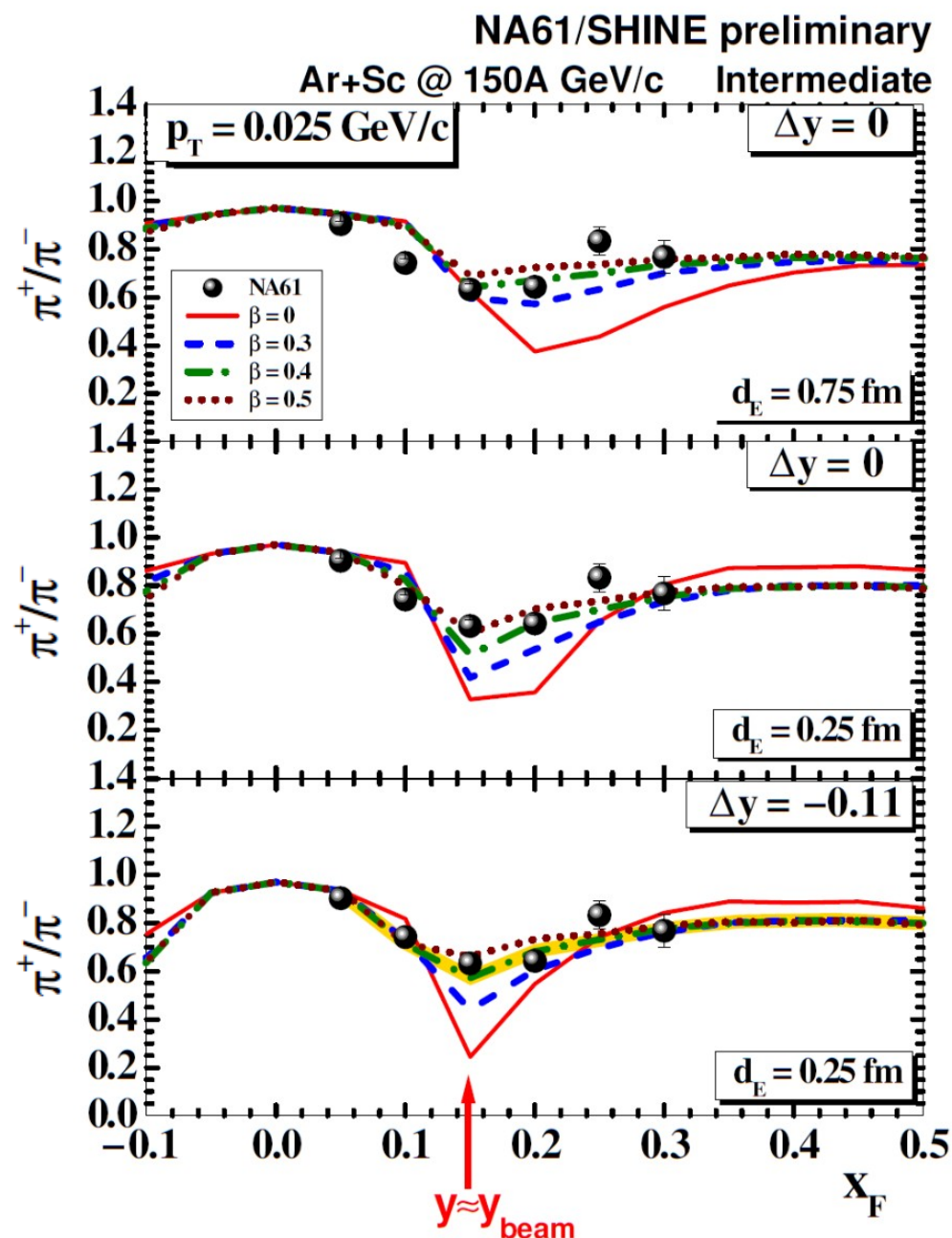
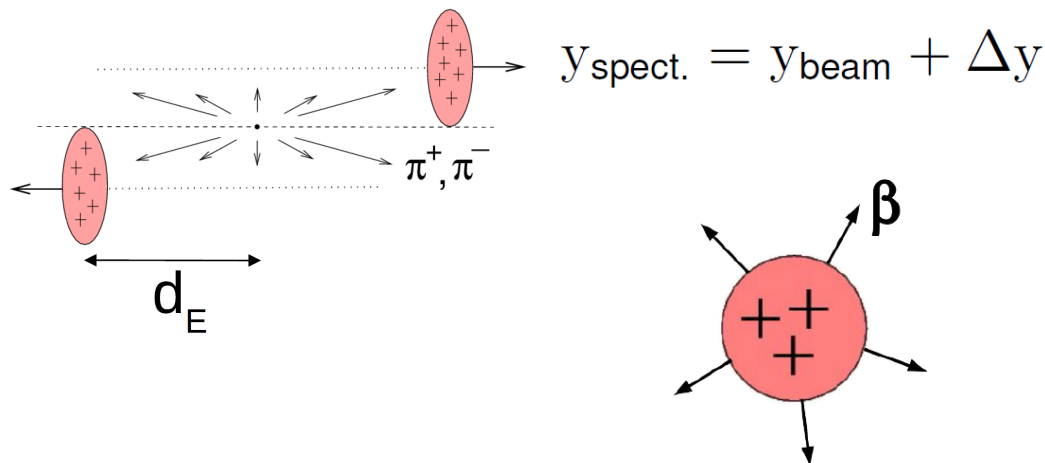
$$\sqrt{s}_{NN} = 8.8 \text{ GeV}$$



From: Sneha Bhosale for the
NA61/SHINE collaboration,
MESON2021, 18 May 2021

Modelling EM effects in new Ar+Sc data

A. Rybicki, A. Szczurek, Phys. Rev. C 75, 054903 (2007)



- Non-expanding spectator system cannot describe data (contrary to Pb+Pb, see A. Rybicki et al., APPB 46,737 (2015))

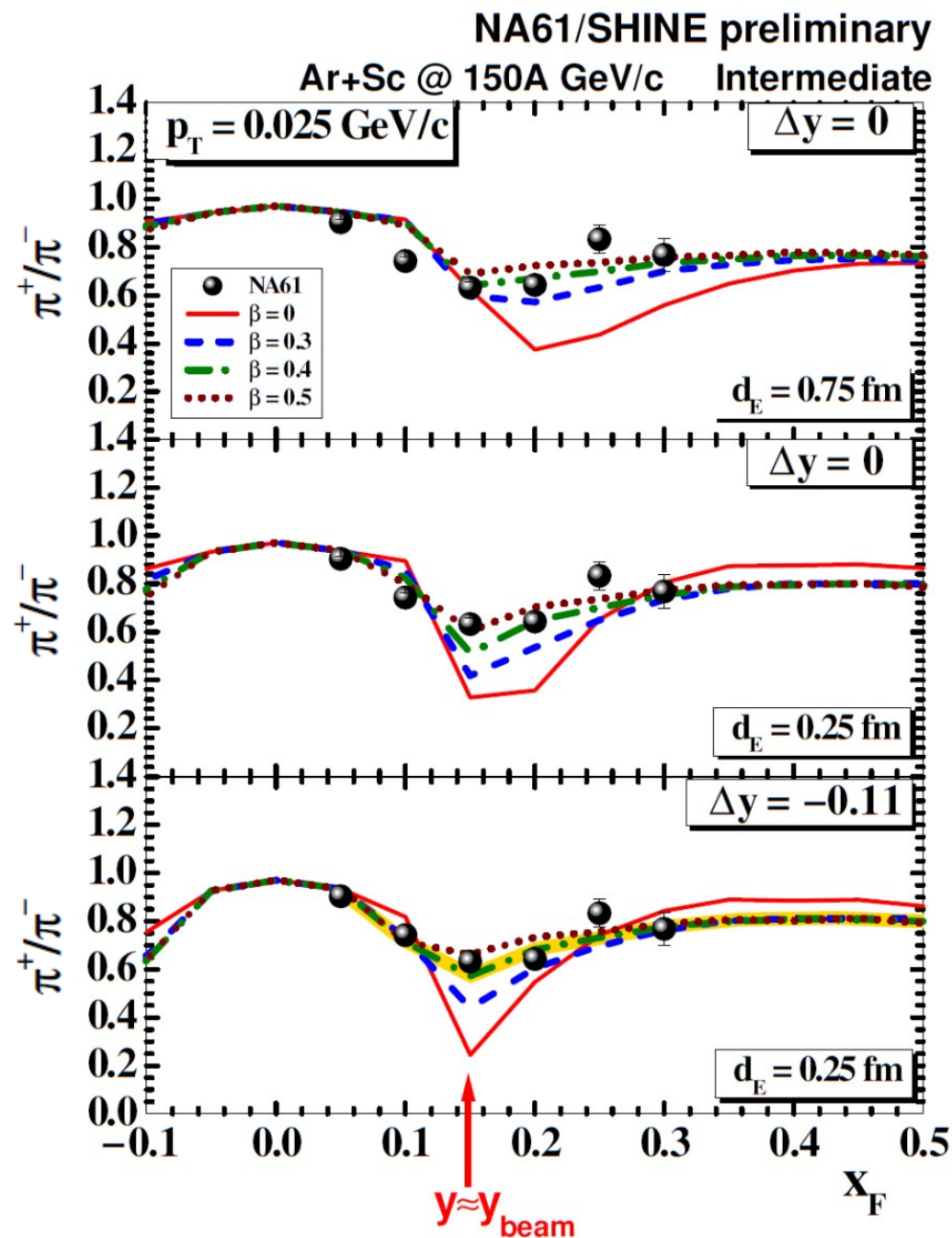
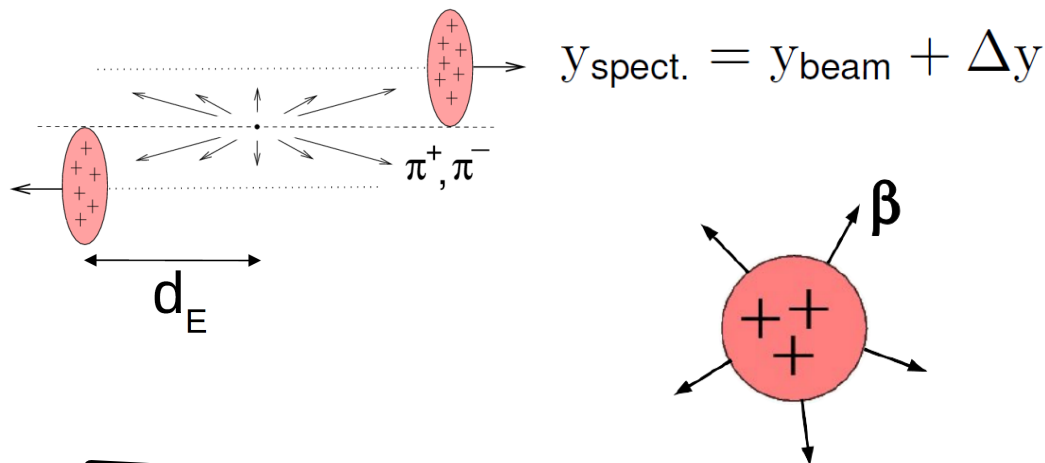


need significant expansion velocity β of the charge cloud

- Optimal description: charge cloud moves slower than spectator system → presence of participant charge?

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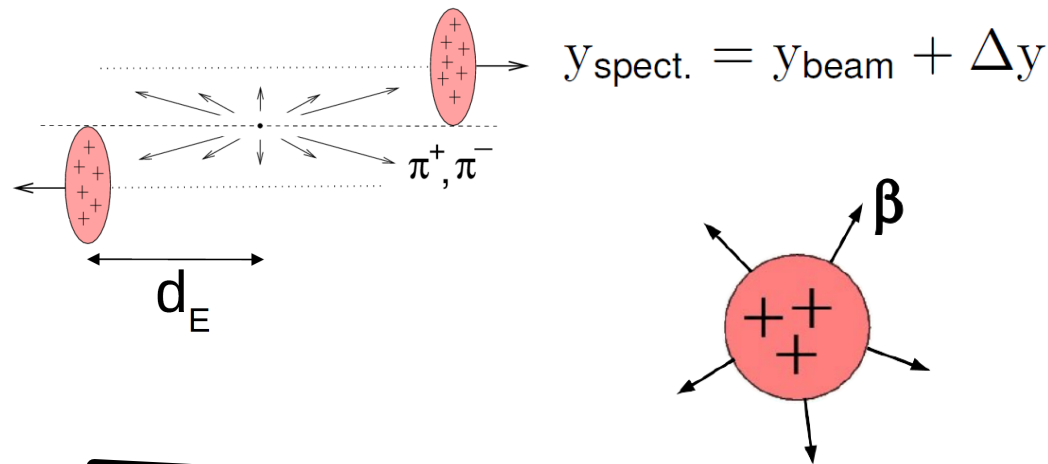
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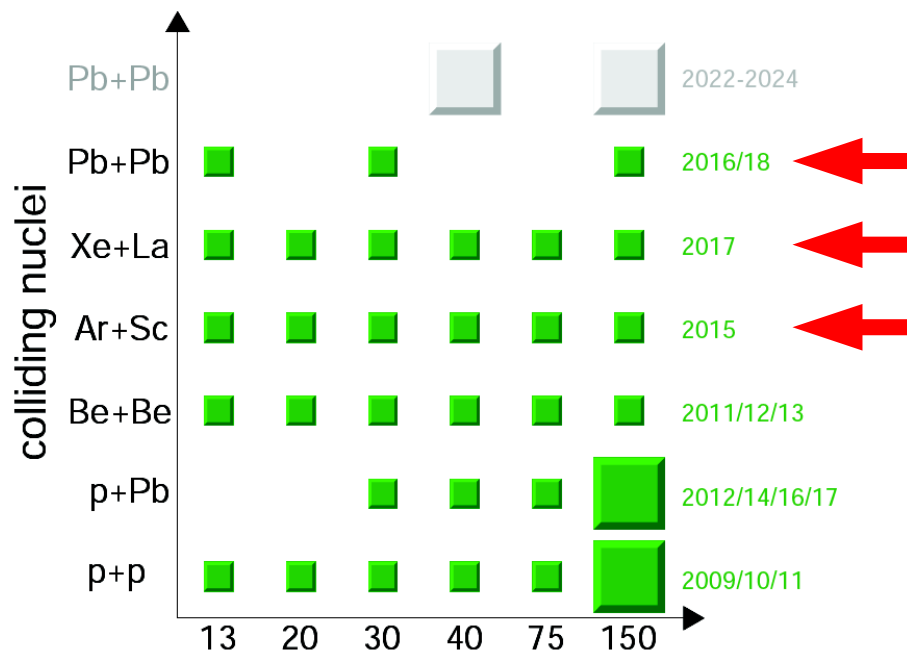
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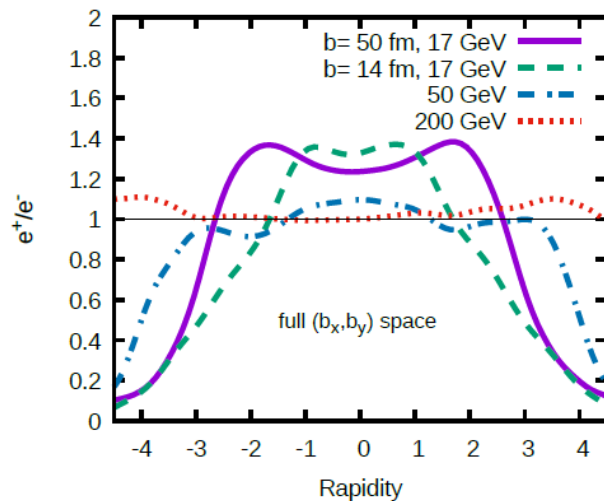
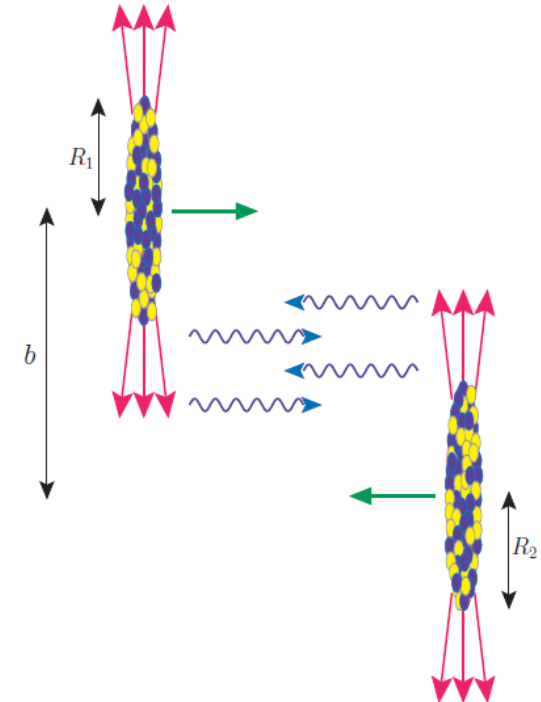
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6) Comment: how about gamma-gamma processes in ultra-peripheral collisions ?

- Think about **Pb+Pb** ($\gamma \gamma$) \rightarrow **e⁺e⁻** ;
- What happens to leptons once created ?
- Subject of long discussions (here in Kraków) ;
- Conceptual difficulties ;
- Never measured.

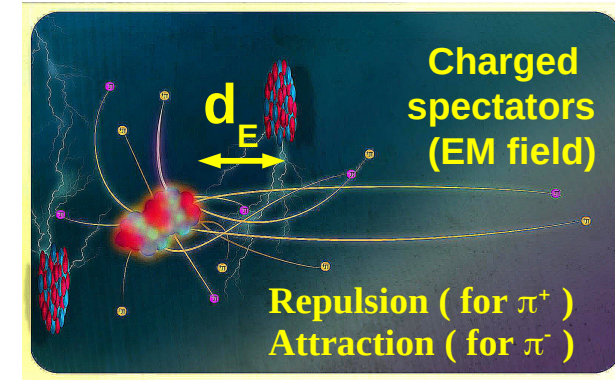


See talk by
Kasia Mazurek
(Tuesday).

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6) No epilogue

The electromagnetic (EM) fields resulting from the presence of charged spectators induce **distortions** in spectra of charged particles, and result in **charge splitting of directed flow**.



These **spectator-induced EM effects** can be used to study the **space-time evolution of particle production**.

Such studies have shown that in high energy heavy-ion collisions, **faster** pions are produced **closer** to the spectator system. They also provided an **independent estimate** for the time of pion creation, at $y=0$.

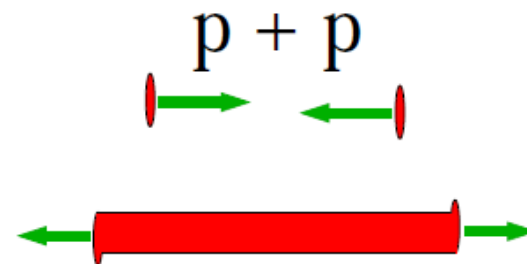
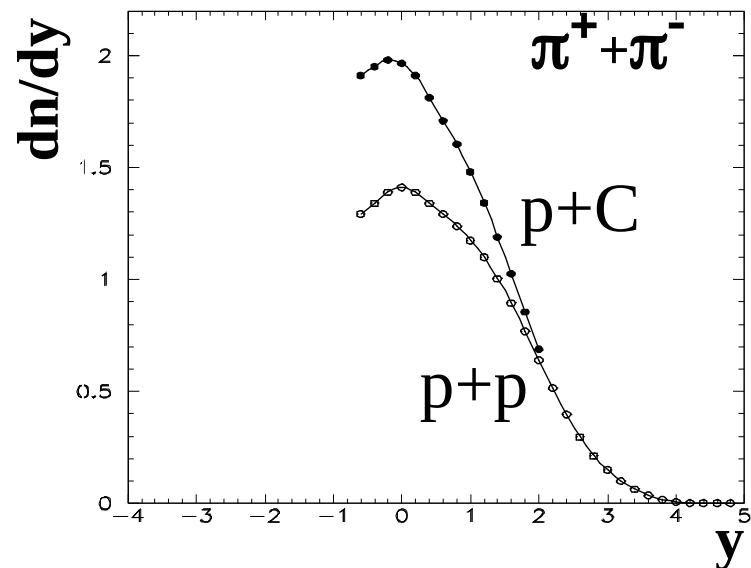
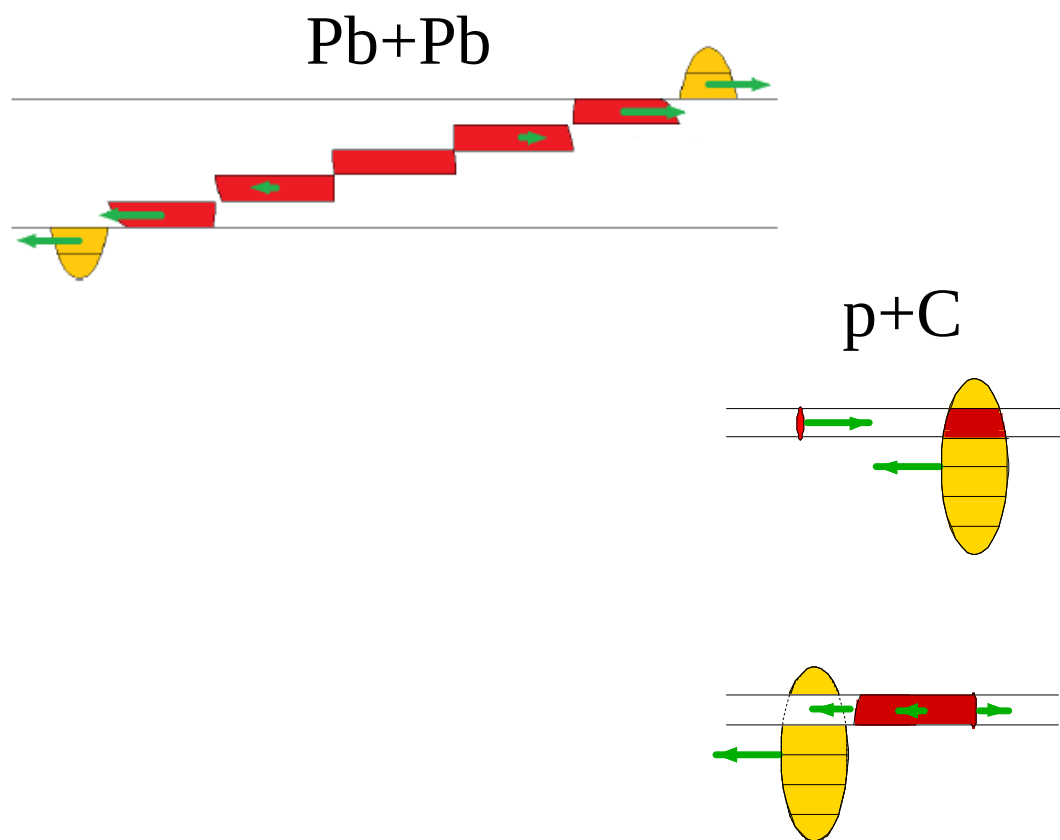
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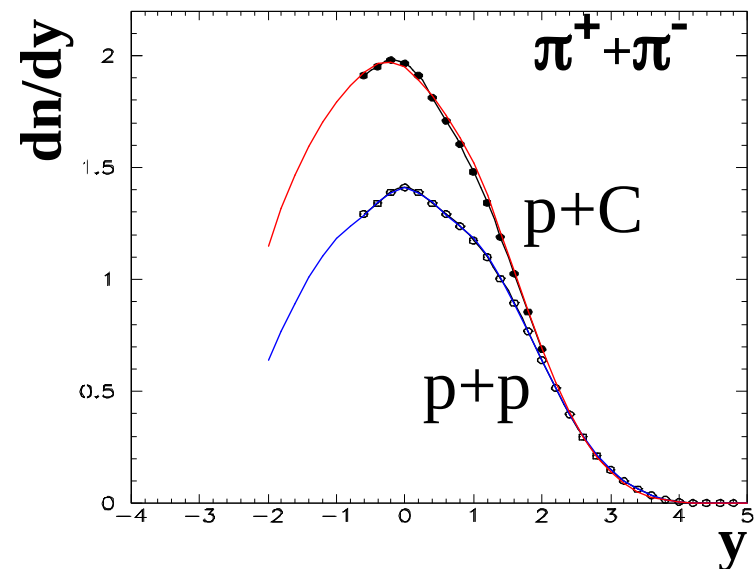
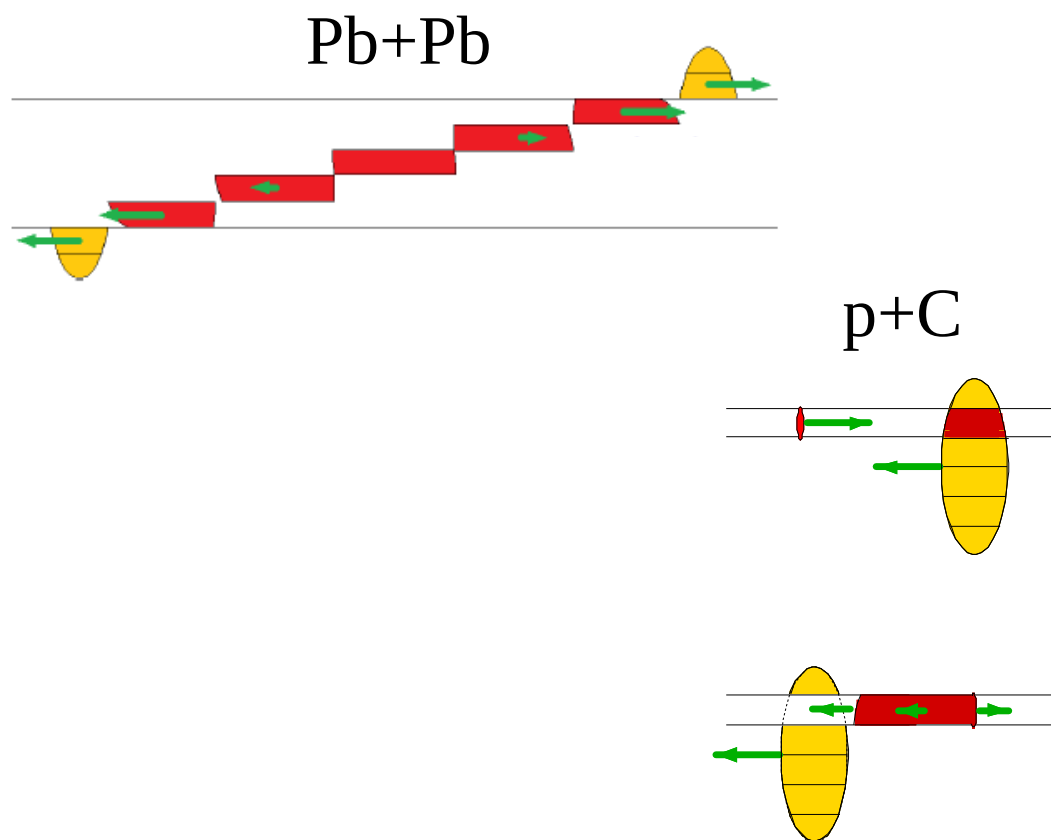
Thank you !

Extra slides

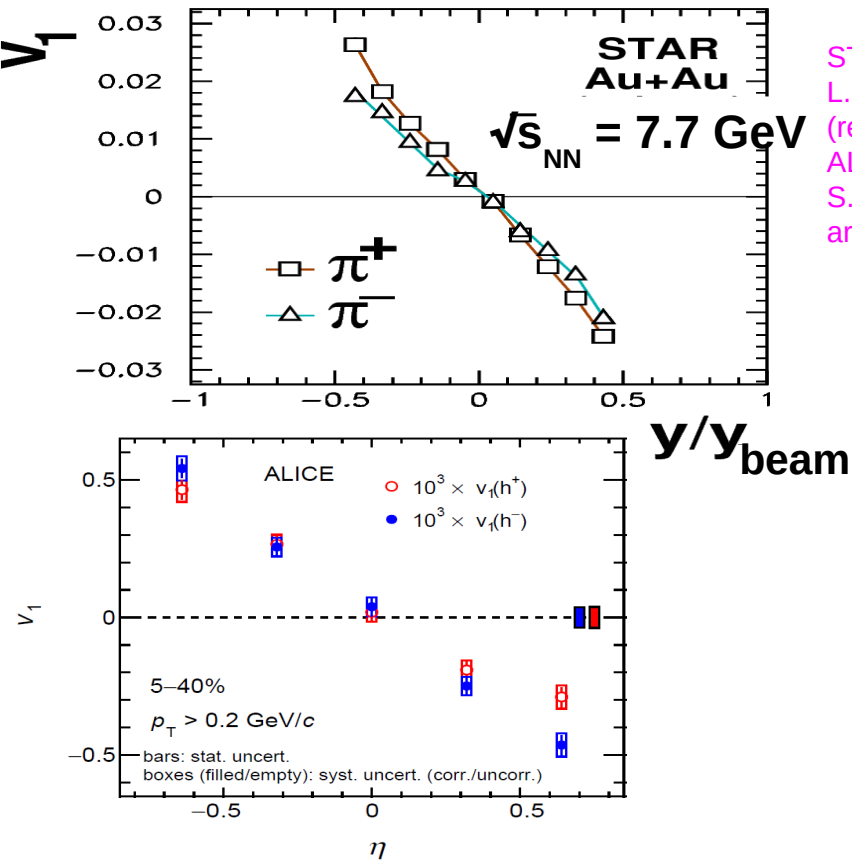
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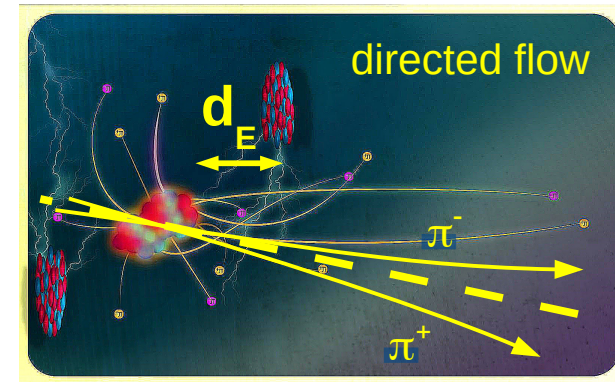
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- More on directed flow.



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 S. Acharya et al., PRL 125 (2020) 2, 022301,
 arXiv:1910.14406 [nucl-ex]



- v_1 (“directed flow”) is the sideways deflection of pions in the reaction plane :

$$v_1 \equiv \langle \cos(\varphi \text{ w.r.t. reaction plane}) \rangle$$
- the spectator charge induces *charge splitting* of v_1 .