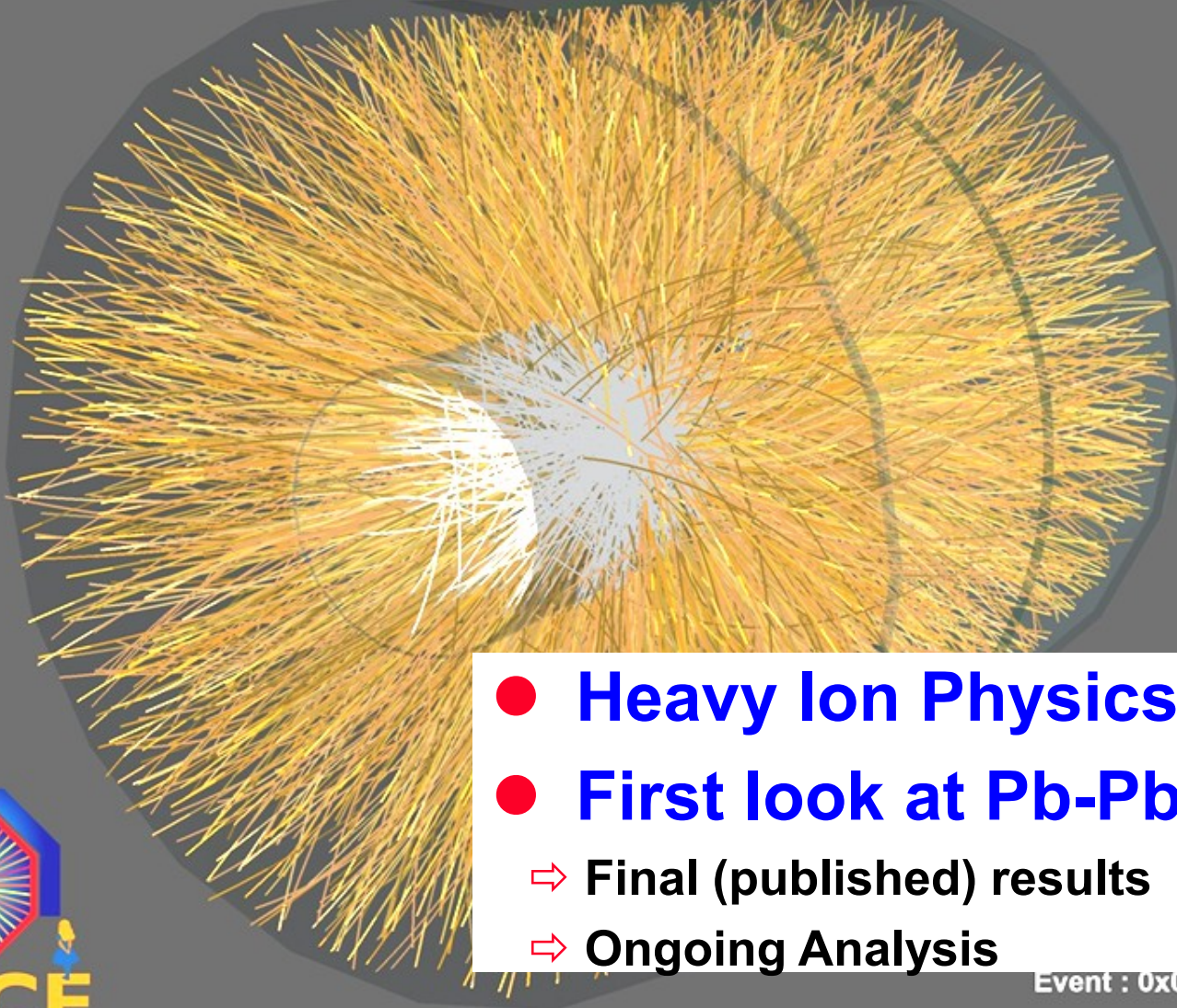


# 'Little Bang'

## The first 3 weeks ...

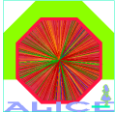


- Heavy Ion Physics at LHC
- First look at Pb-Pb
  - ⇒ Final (published) results
  - ⇒ Ongoing Analysis





# Matter under Extreme Conditions



- 'state of matter' at high temperature & energy density: 'The QGP'

⇒ ground state of QCD & primordial matter of the Universe

- ☆ partons are **deconfined** (not bound into composite particles)

- ☆ **chiral symmetry** is restored (partons are ~ massless)

Theory

⇒ 'the stuff at high T where ordinary hadrons are no longer the relevant d.o.f'

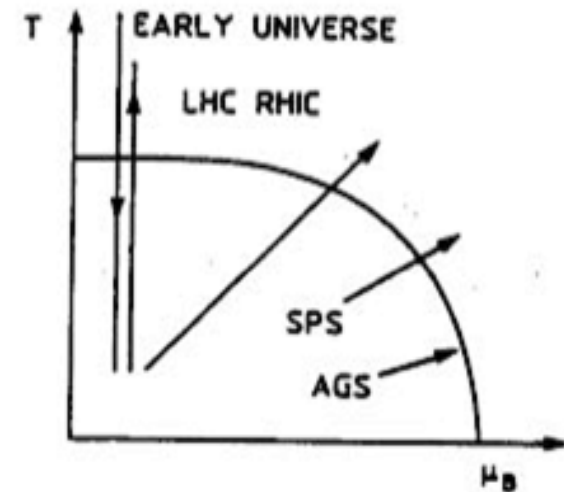
- Mission of URHI

⇒ **search** for the QGP phase

⇒ **measure** its properties

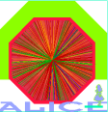
⇒ **discover** new aspects of QCD in the strongly coupled regime

Physics is QCD:  
strong interaction sector of the  
Standard Model  
(where its strong !)





# Role of LHC after RHIC/SPS



- ⇒ **Search** for the 'QGP' is essentially over
- ⇒ **Discovery** of QGP is well under way (with fantastic results & surprises at RHIC)
- ⇒ **Measuring** QGP parameters has just begun

## 1) Quantitative differences

- ⇒ significantly different state of QGP in terms of energy density, lifetime, volume
- ⇒ large rate for 'hard probes' : jets, heavy quark states (b,c,Y,J/Ψ ),...

## 2) Test & validate the HI 'Standard Model' (< 10 years old !)

⇒ **QGP, strong interaction (almost) perfect liquid**

- ⇒ Test prediction
- ☆ examples

**> 10 year program**  
**where are we after 3 weeks ?**

## 3) 'Precision' measurements of QGP parameters

- ⇒ Quantitative and systematic study of the new state of matter
  - ☆ **Equation-of-State**  $f(\epsilon, p, T)$ , **viscosity**  $\eta$  (flow), **transport coefficient**  $\hat{q}$  (jet quenching), Debye **screening mass** (Quarkonia suppression), ...
- ⇒ Confront data with Theory and Models:
  - ☆ **standard tools:** Lattice QCD, pQCD, Thermo- and Hydrodynamics, ...
  - ☆ **new tools:** AdS/CFT ('duality'), Classical QFT ('Colour Glass Condensate')

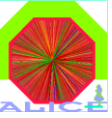
## 4) Surprises ?

- ⇒ **we are dealing with QCD in the strong coupling limit !**

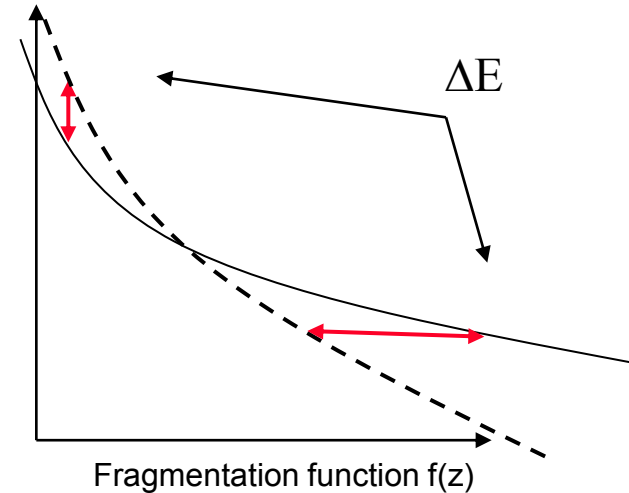




# 'Jet Quenching'



- **Jet quenching: jet  $E \rightarrow$  jet  $E'$  ( $=E-\Delta E$ ) + soft gluons ( $\Delta E$ )**  
**modified jet fragmentation function** via matter induced gluon radiation/scattering  
 $\Rightarrow$  QGP properties



- $\Rightarrow$  **how much energy is lost ?** (measures e.g.  $q^{\wedge}$ )
  - ★ most difficult question, may depend on jet cone  $R$ ,  $p_t$ -cutoff, ..
- $\Rightarrow$  **how is it lost ?** (e.g. multiple soft or few hard gluons ?)
  - ★ look at soft part of  $f(z)$ ,  $p_t < 2-5$  GeV
- $\Rightarrow$  **'response of QGP'** (shock waves, Mach cones ??)
  - ★ properties of bulk matter around jet,  $p_t \sim 1$  GeV



# Charged Jets

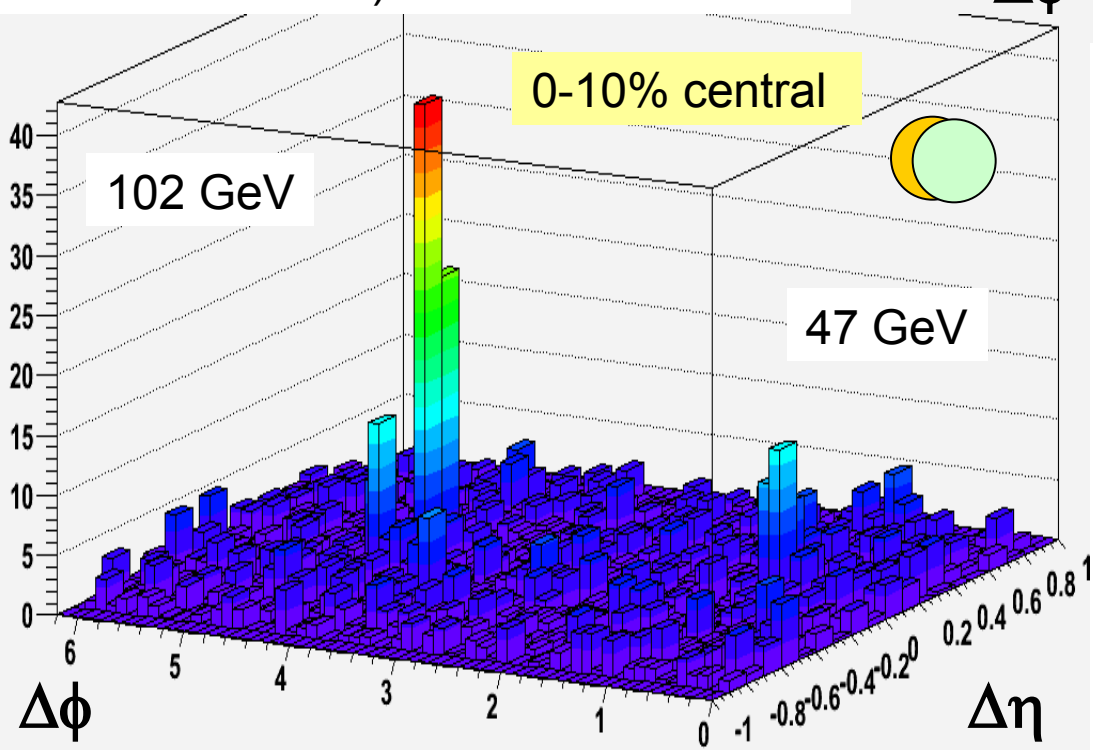
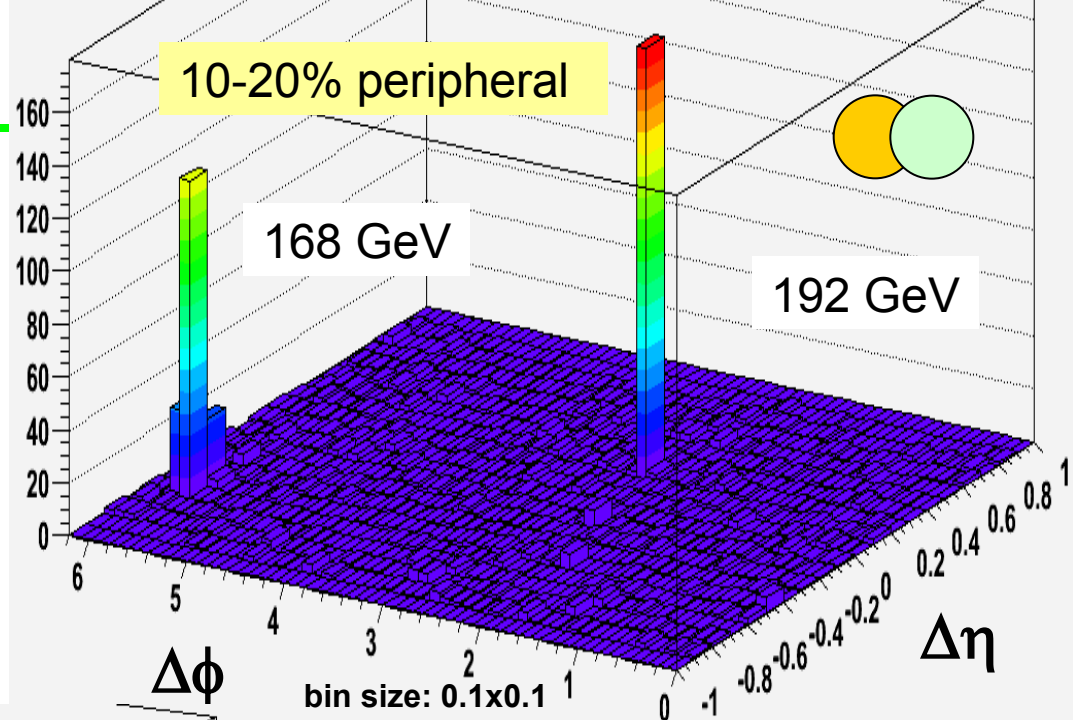
## ● Jets in ALICE (TPC)

⇒ we see qualitatively a similar effect

⇒ quantitative analysis is ongoing

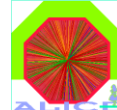
★ small acceptance (statistics),  
=> need full 2010 data

★ try to include low  $p_t$   
(study  $p_t$ -cut off dependence of imbalance)





# 'Jet Quenching' as seen by $p_t$ spectra



- Suppression of high  $p_t$  particles ( ~ leading jet fragments)

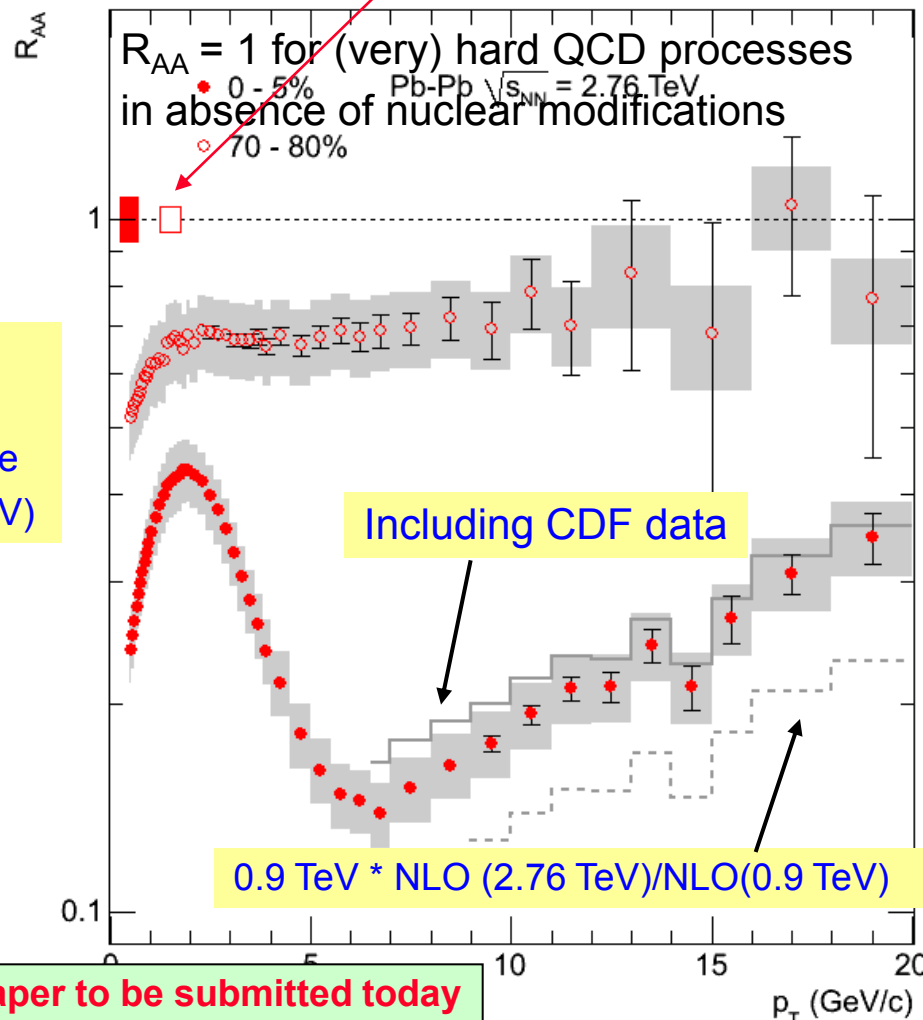
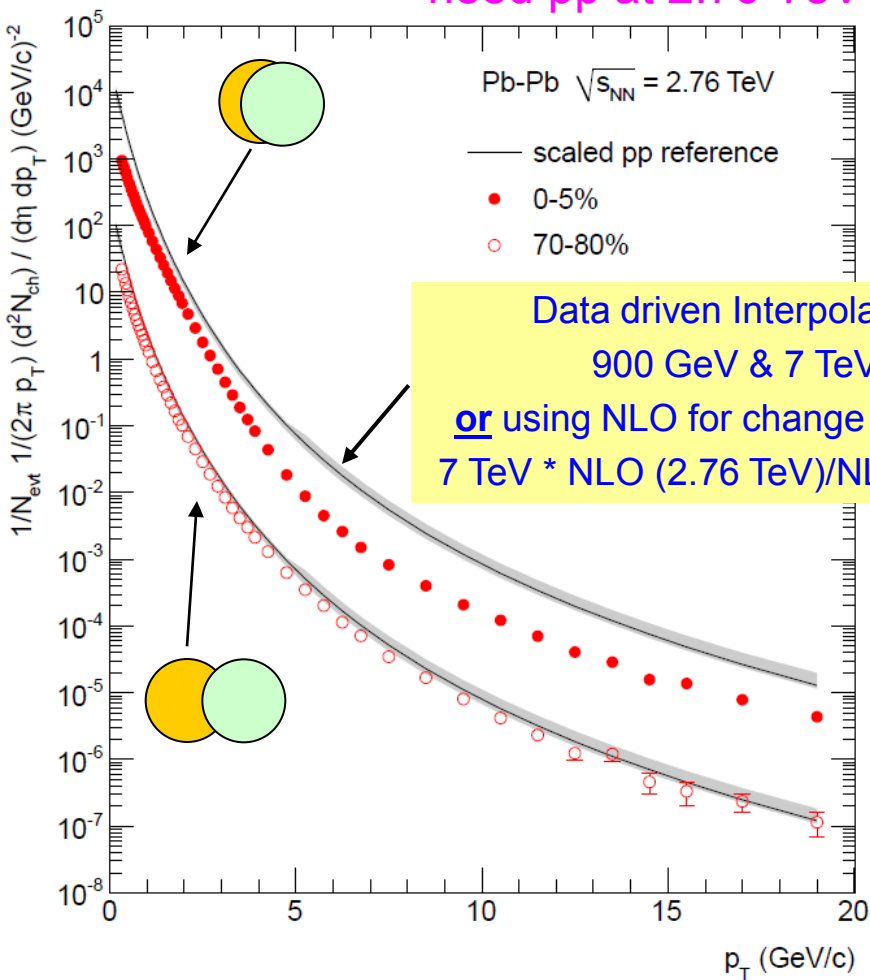
⇒ Minimum  $R_{AA} \sim 1.5 - 2$  x smaller than at RHIC

⇒ Rising with  $p_t$  ! (ambiguous at RHIC !)

⇒ accuracy limited by pp reference

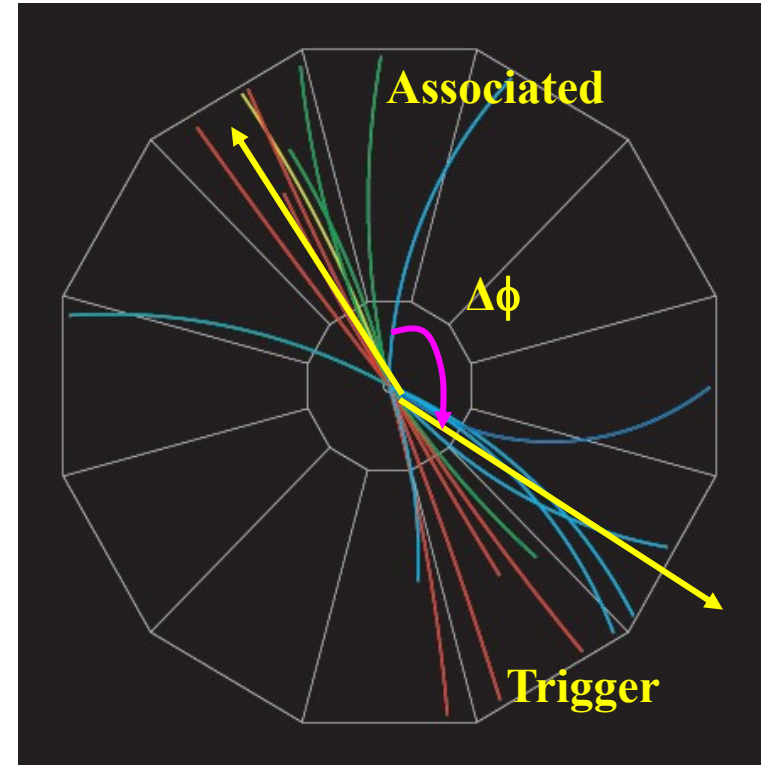
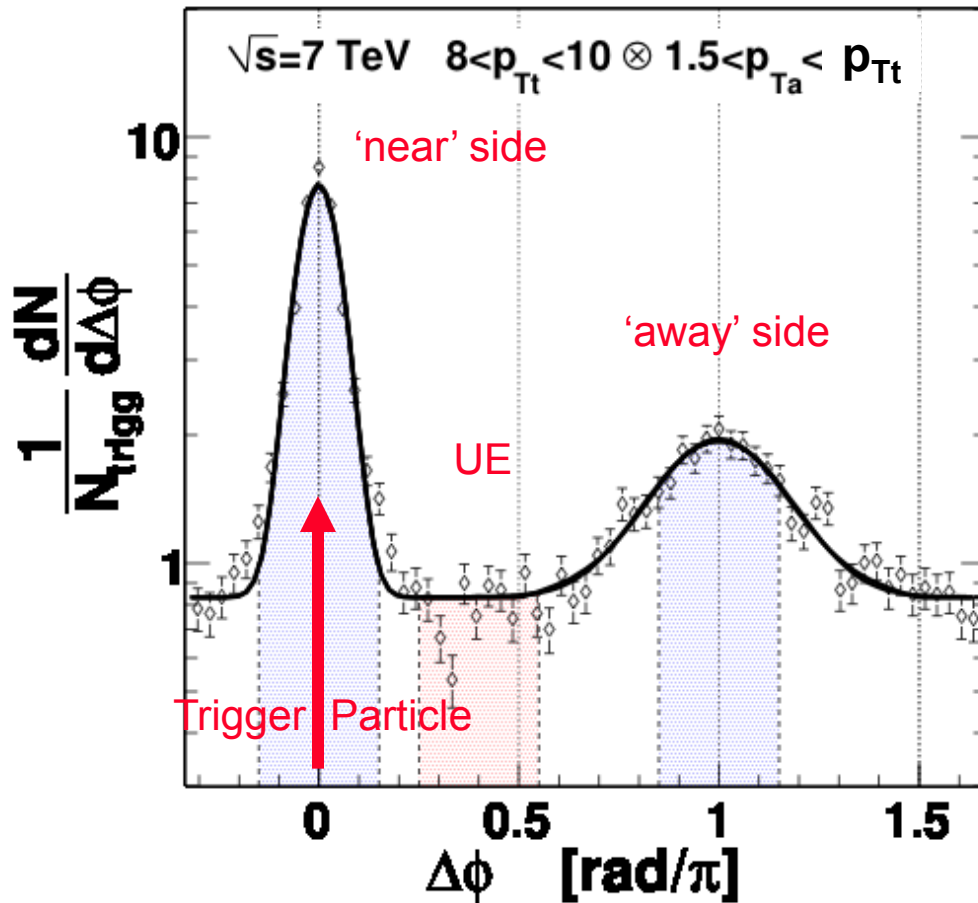
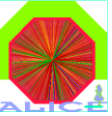
=> need pp at 2.76 TeV !

$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{(1/N_{evt}^{AA}) d^2 N_{ch}^{AA} / d\eta dp_T}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle (1/N_{evt}^{pp}) d^2 N_{ch}^{pp} / d\eta dp_T}$$





# High $p_T$ Particle Correlations

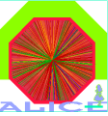


Trigger Particle: highest  $p_T$  particle in event ( $p_{Tt}$ )

Associate Particle: all the others ( $p_{Ta}$ )

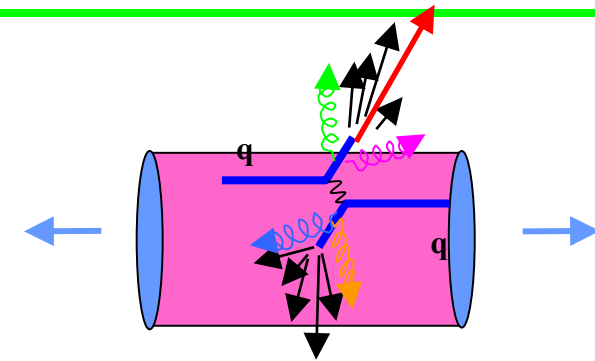


# Jet Quenching seen by High $p_T$ Correlations

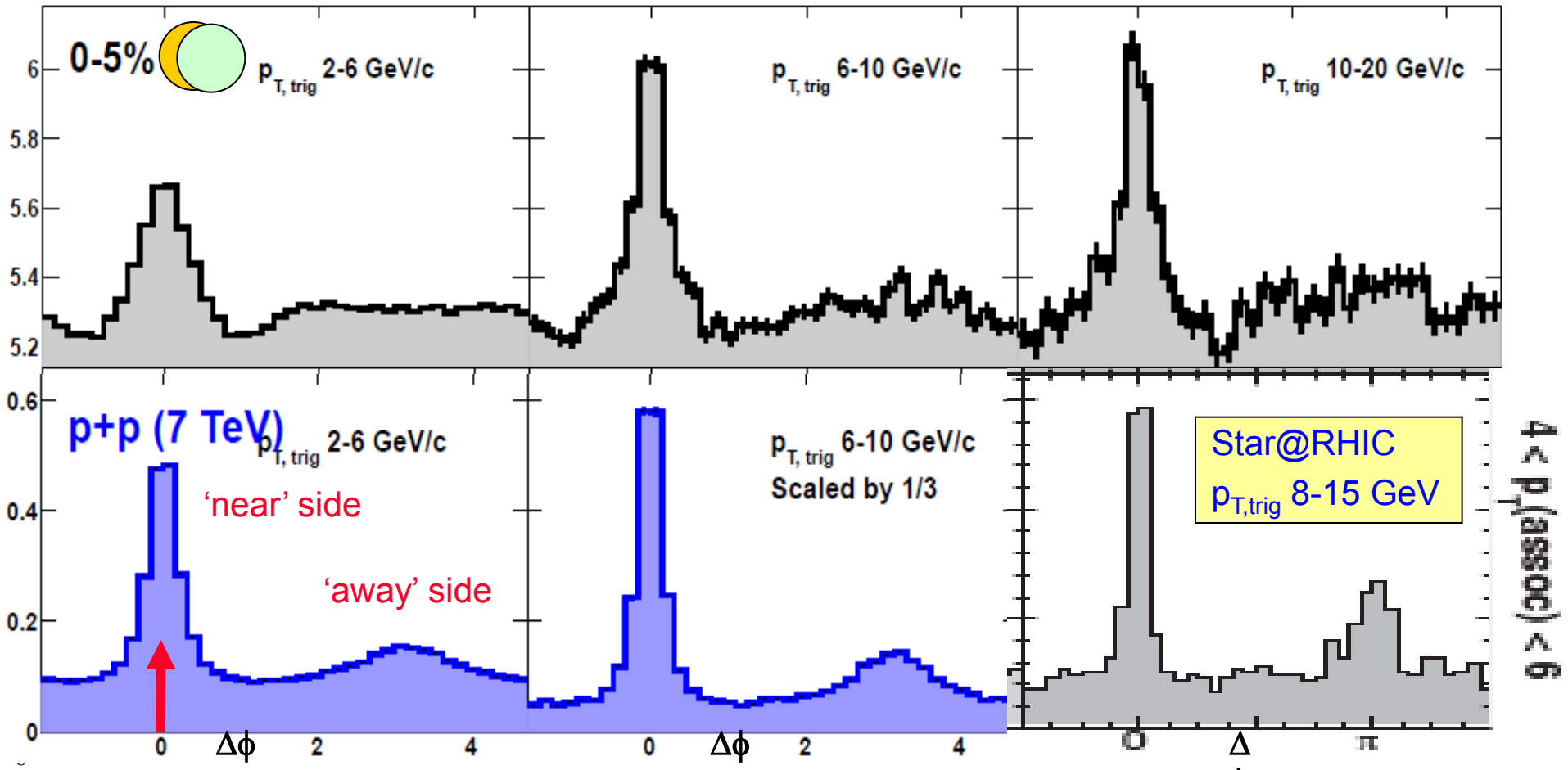


## ● classic 'jet quenching signal'

⇒ away side correlation in central Pb-Pb washed out up to  $p_{T, \text{trig}} > 10$  GeV



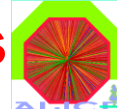
$P_T$  associated 2 – 6 GeV





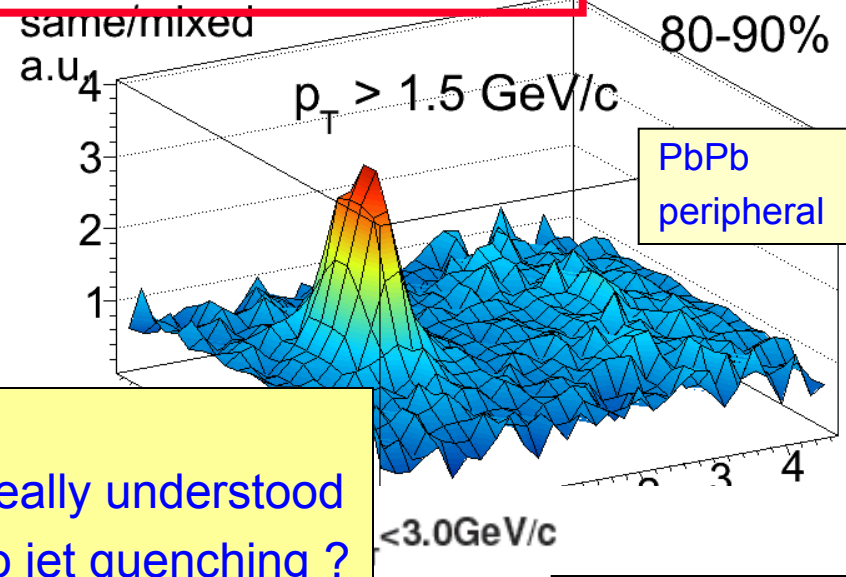
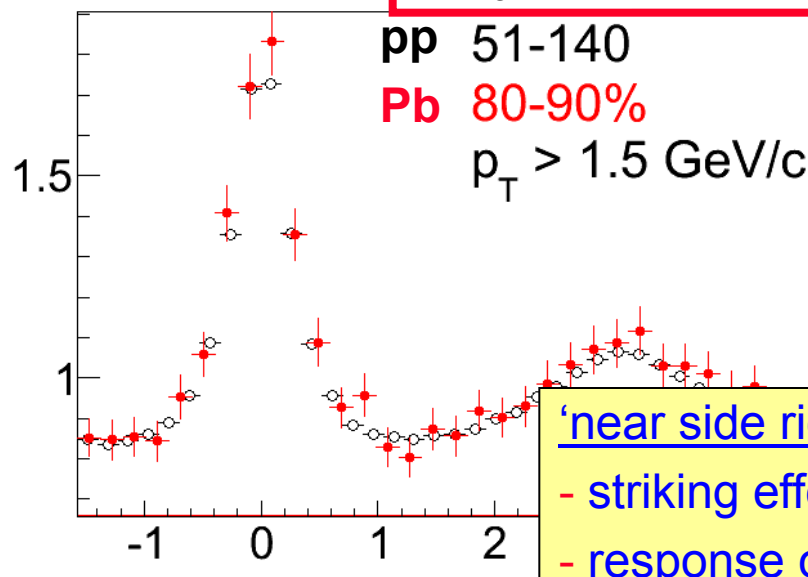


# Jet Quenching (?) seen via Multiparticle Correlations



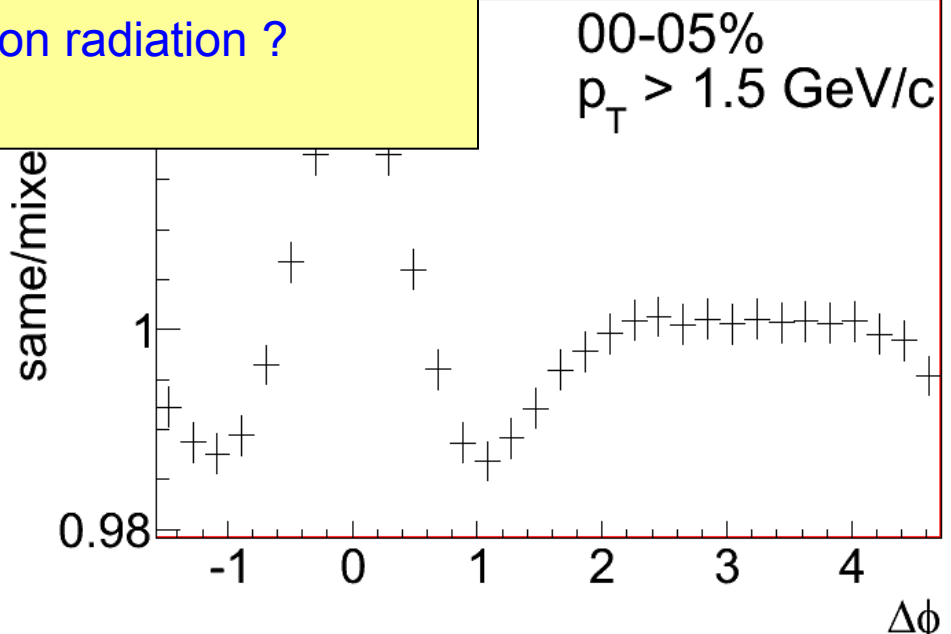
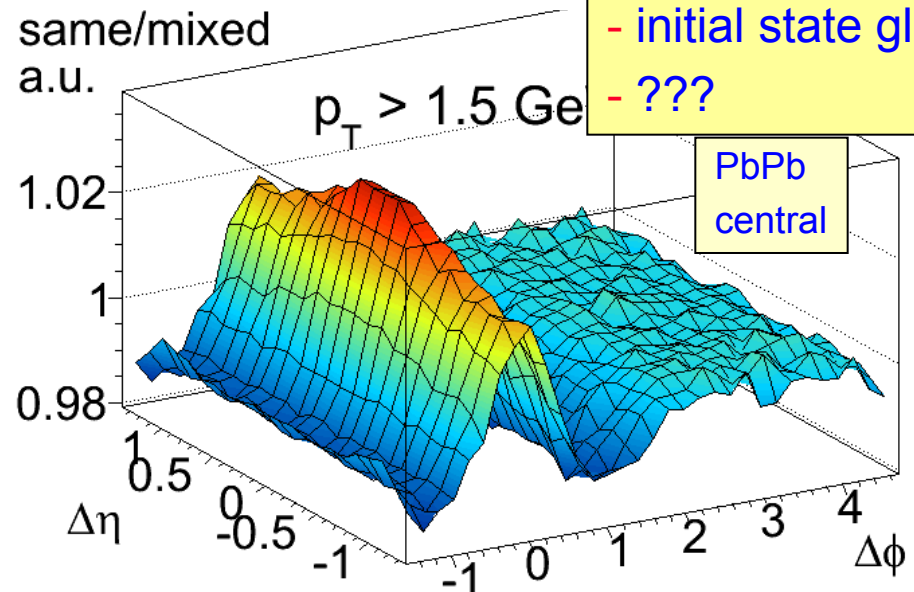
● 'Autocorrelation':  $d^2N_{ch}/d\Delta\eta d\Delta\phi$  (signal) /  $d^2N_{ch}/d\Delta\eta d\Delta\phi$  (mixed events)

same/mixed (a.u.)



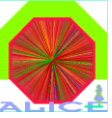
'near side ridge':

- striking effect, not really understood
- response of QGP to jet quenching ?
- initial state gluon radiation ?
- ???





# Role of LHC after RHIC/SPS



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⇒ significantly different state of QGP in terms of energy density, lifetime, volume

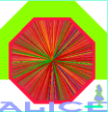
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# 1) What's the Difference ?

## ● Multiplicity and Energy density $\varepsilon$ :

⇒  $dN_{ch}/d\eta \sim 1600 \pm 76$  (syst)

☆ somewhat on high side of expectations

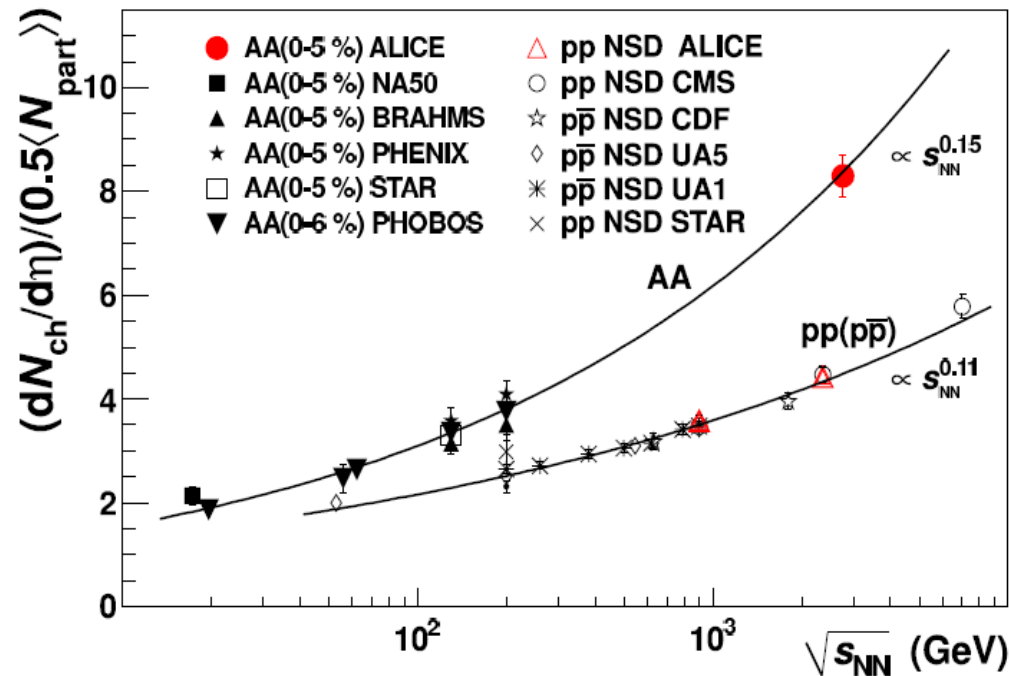
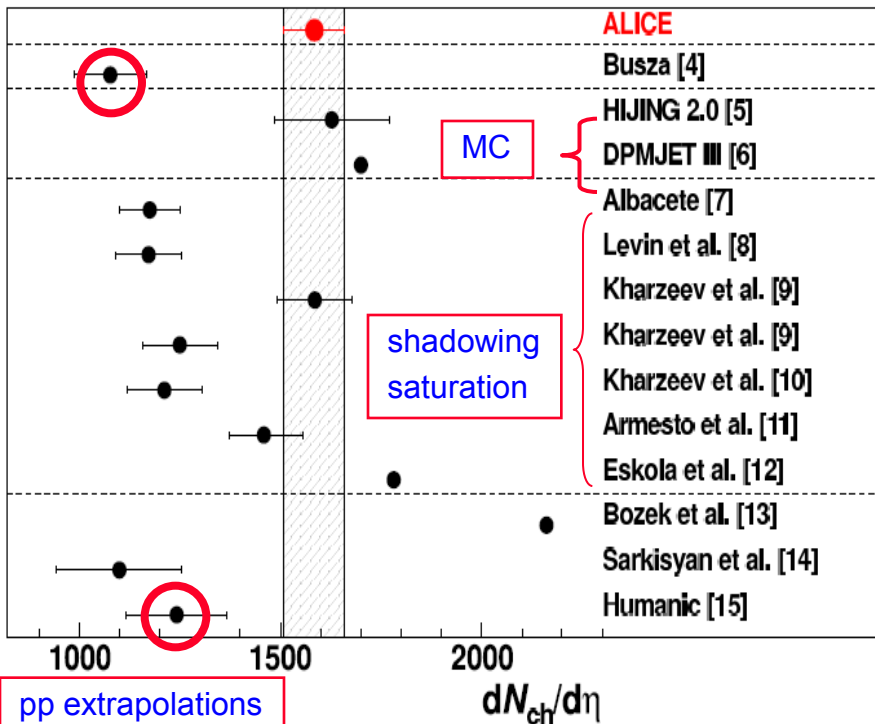
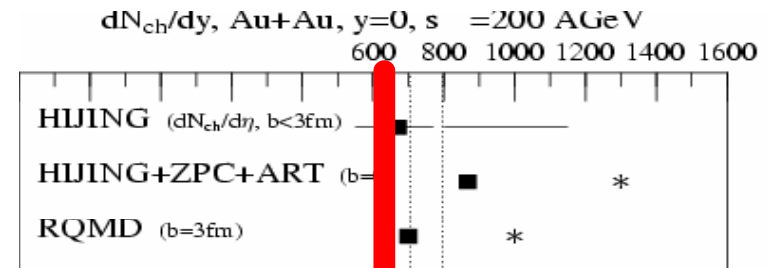
☆ growth with  $\sqrt{s}$  faster in AA than pp ( $\sqrt{s}$  dependent 'nuclear amplification')

⇒ **Energy density  $\approx 3 \times$  RHIC** (fixed  $\tau$ )

☆ lower limit, likely  $\tau_0(\text{LHC}) < \tau_0(\text{RHIC})$

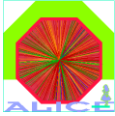
$$\varepsilon(\tau) = \frac{E}{V} = \frac{1}{\tau_0 A} \frac{dN}{dy} \langle m_t \rangle$$

17 Nov: arXiv:1011.3916, acc. PRL





# Who gets it right and why ?



## ● $dN_{ch}/d\eta$ as function of centrality (normalised to 'overlap volume' $\sim N_{participants}$ )

⇒ **soft process**  $dN_{ch}/d\eta \sim$  number of scattered nucleons (strings, participants, ...)

★ 'nuclear amplification' should be energy independent

⇒ (very) **hard processes**  $dN_{ch}/d\eta \sim$  number of nucleon-nucleon collisions

★ getting more important with  $\sqrt{s}$  & with centrality

⇒ DPMJET MC

★ gets it right for the wrong reason

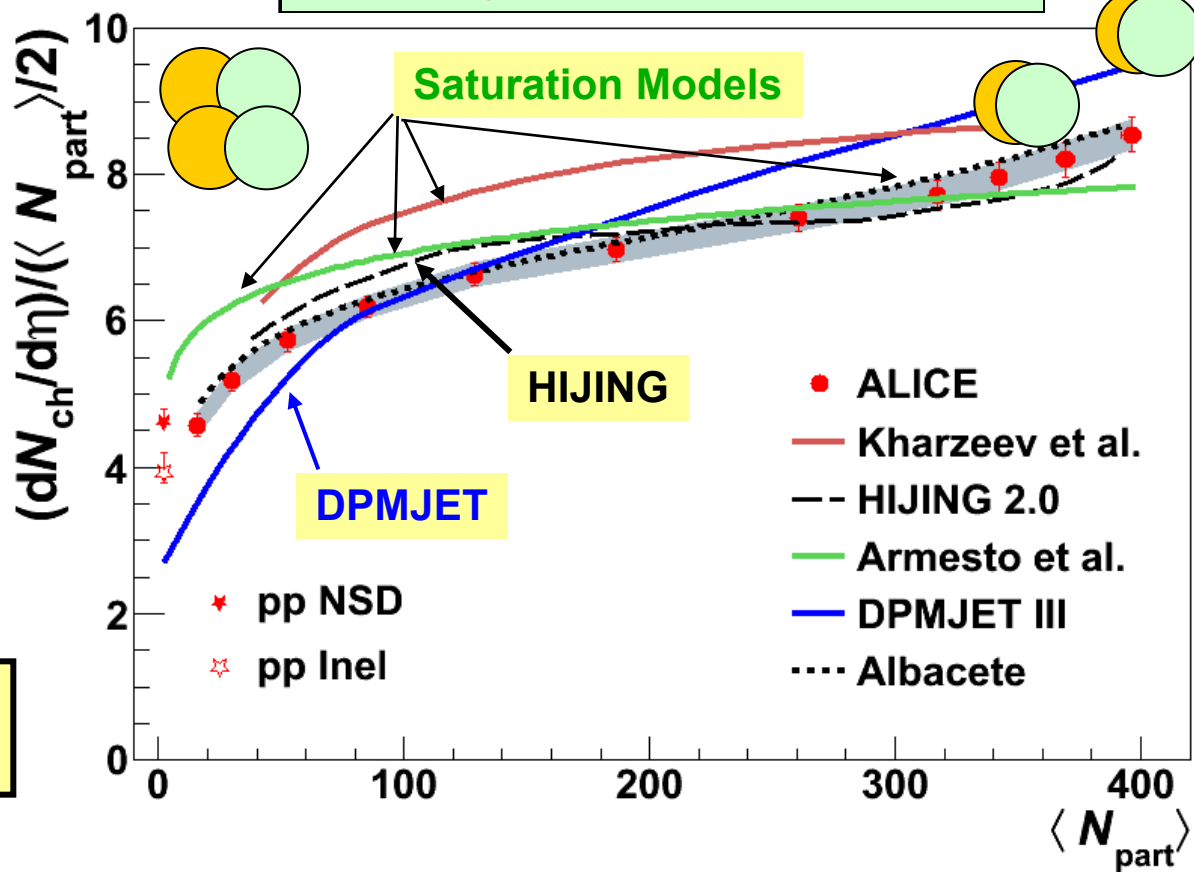
⇒ HIJING MC

★ strong centr. dependent **gluon shadowing**

⇒ Others

★ **saturation models:** Color Glass Condensate, 'geometrical scaling' from HERA/ photonuclear react.

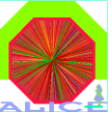
Preliminary: Under Collaboration Review



Important constraint for models sensitive to details of saturation



# What's the Difference ?



## ● Volume and lifetime:

⇒ Identical particle interferometry (HBT, Bose-Einstein correlations)

$$(E, \vec{p}) \xrightarrow{\text{F.T.}} (\tau, \vec{X})$$

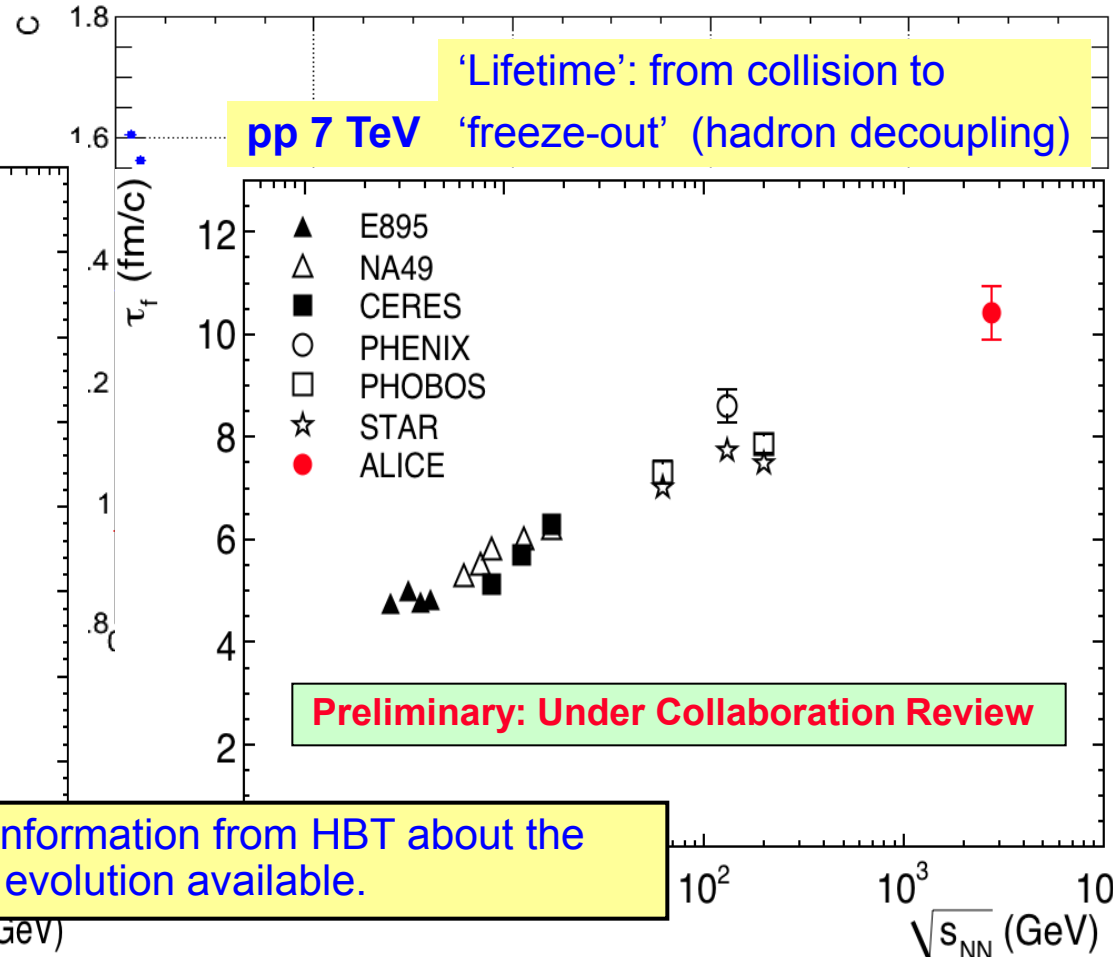
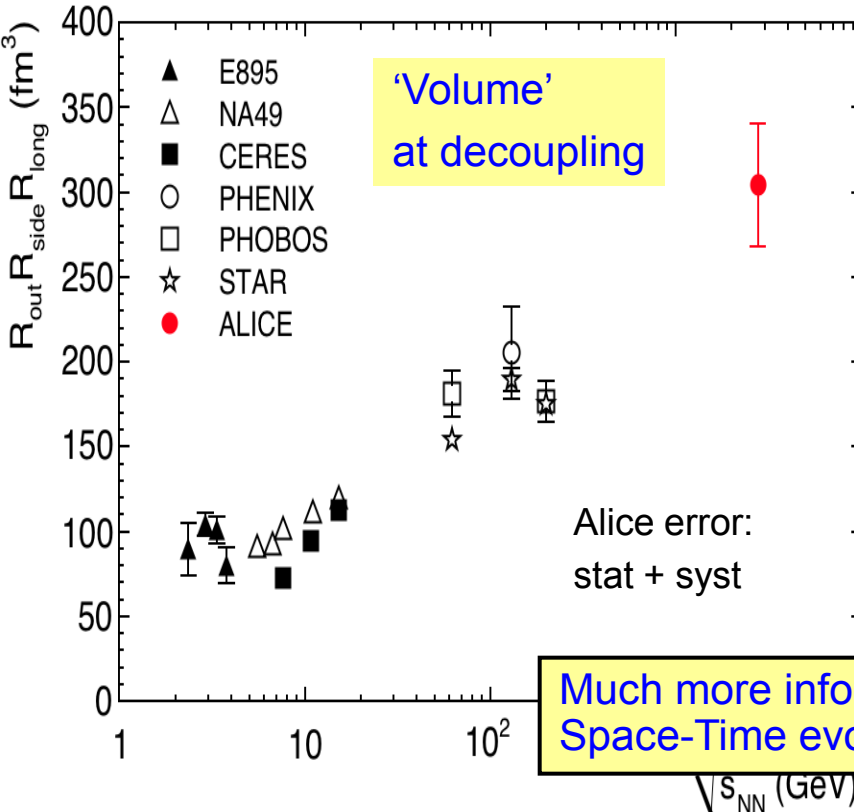
★ QM enhancement of identical Bosons at small momentum difference

★ measures **Space-Time evolution** of the 'dense matter' system in heavy ions coll.

⇒ **Volume  $\approx 2 \times \text{RHIC}$**  ( $\approx 300 \text{ fm}^3$ )

★ 'comoving' volume !

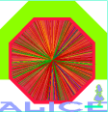
⇒ **Lifetime  $\approx +20\%$**  ( $\approx 10 \text{ fm}/c$ )



Much more information from HBT about the Space-Time evolution available.



# Role of LHC after RHIC/SPS



- 1) Quantitative differences

- 2) Test & validate the HI 'Standard Model'

QGP = very strongly interacting (almost) perfect liquid

⇒ Test predictions/extrapolations from RHIC to LHC

☆ examples: **flow** ('soft') **Quarkonia suppression** ('hard')

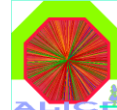


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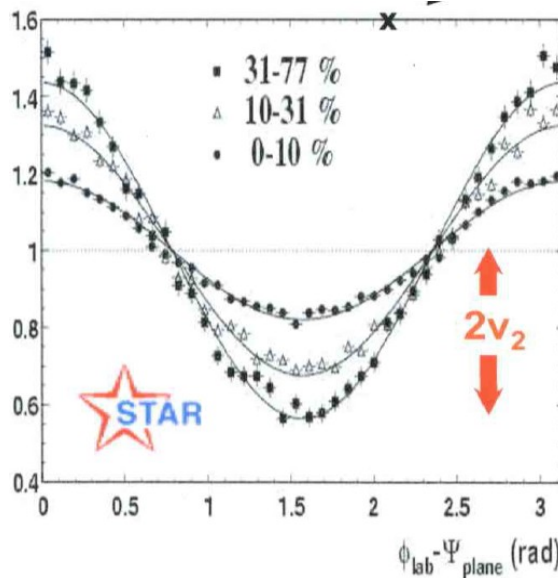
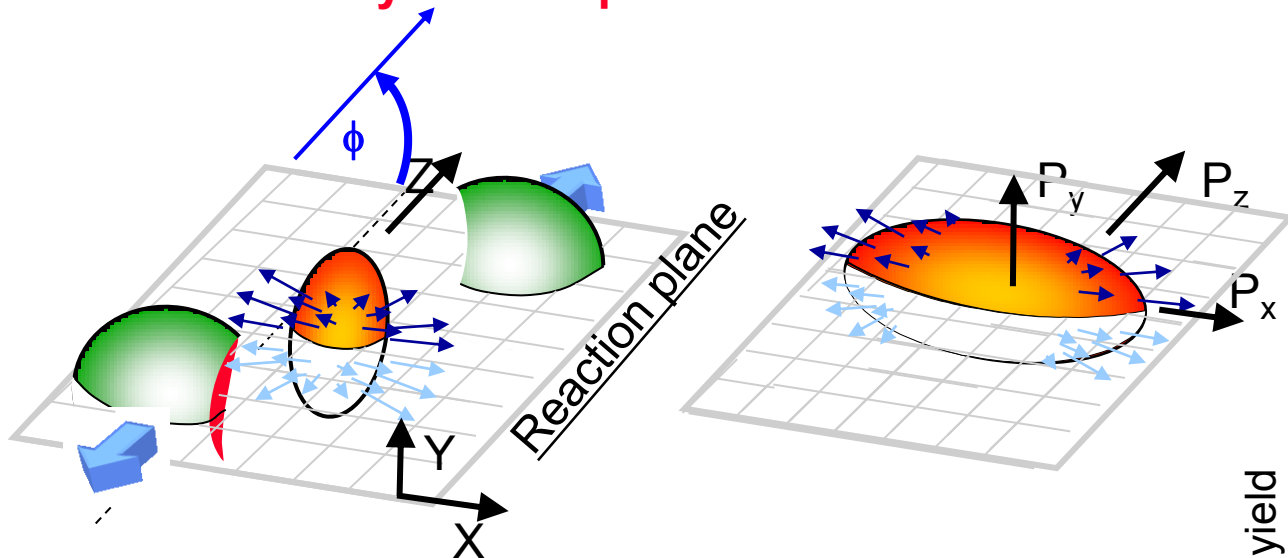
# 2) Testing the HI 'Standard Model'



## ● Elliptic Flow: one of the most anticipated answers from LHC

⇒ **experimental observation:** particles are distributed with azimuthally anisotropic around the scattering plane

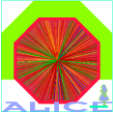
⇒ **Are we sure Hydro interpretation is correct ?**



Elliptic Flow  $v_2$  as interpreted by **Hydrodynamics**  
 Pressure gradient converts  
 spatial anisotropy → momentum anisotropy  
 → particle yield anisotropy

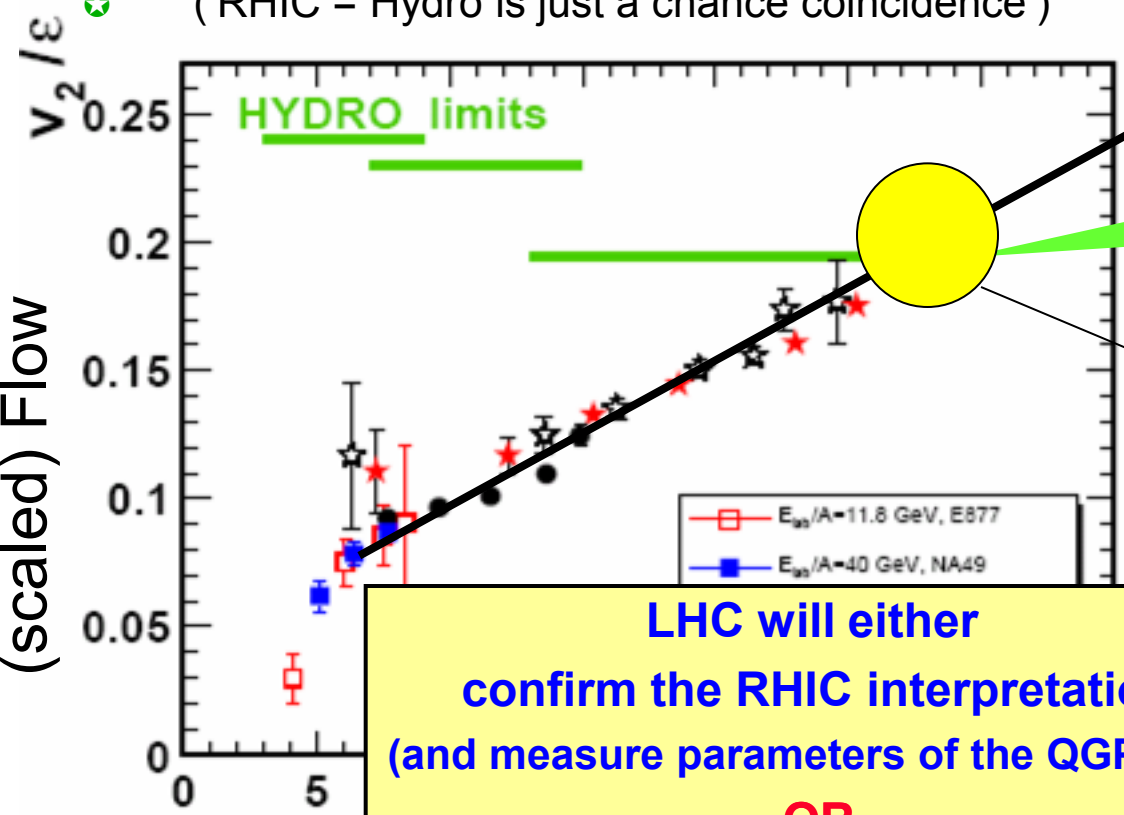


# Testing the HI 'Standard Model'



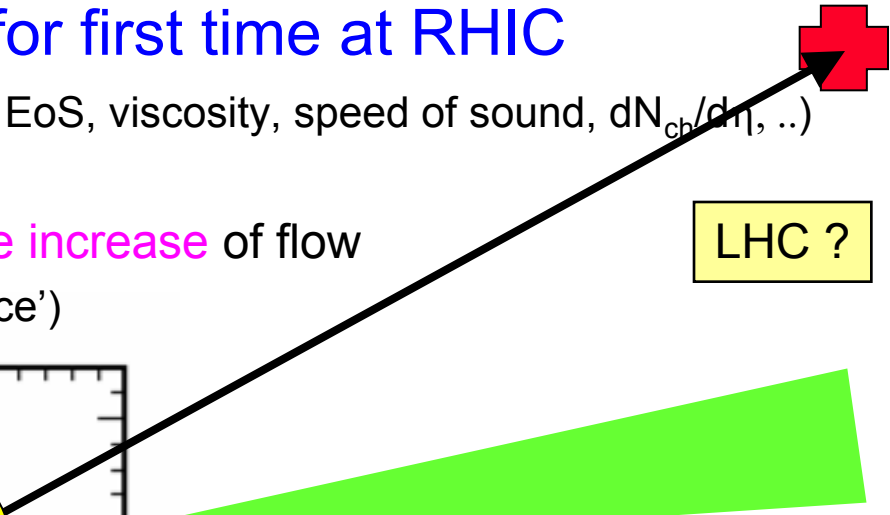
- Hydro seems to work very well for first time at RHIC
  - ⇒ LHC prediction: **modest rise** (Depending on EoS, viscosity, speed of sound,  $dN_{ch}/d\eta$ , ..)
    - ⊕ ('better than ideal is impossible')
  - ⇒ experimental trend & scaling predicts **large increase** of flow
    - ⊕ ('RHIC = Hydro is just a chance coincidence')

LHC ?



BNL Press release, April 18, 2005:  
**Data = ideal Hydro**  
**"Perfect" Liquid**  
 New state of matter more remarkable than predicted –  
 raising many new questions

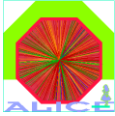
**LHC will either**  
**confirm the RHIC interpretation**  
**(and measure parameters of the QGP EoS)**  
**OR**  
**Multiplicity ??????????**



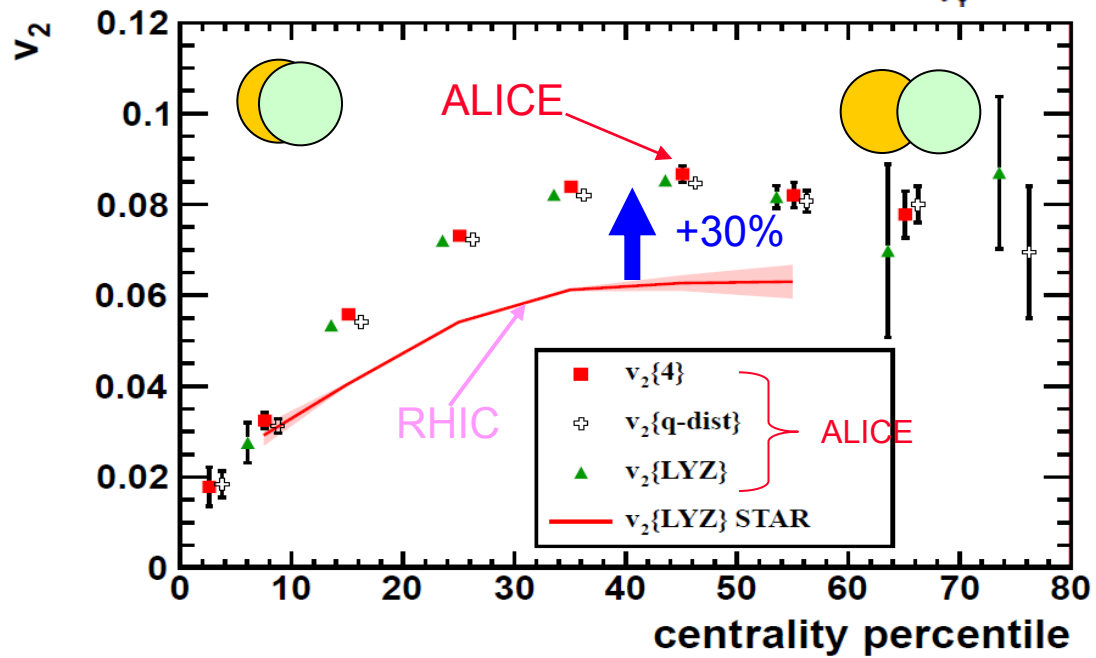
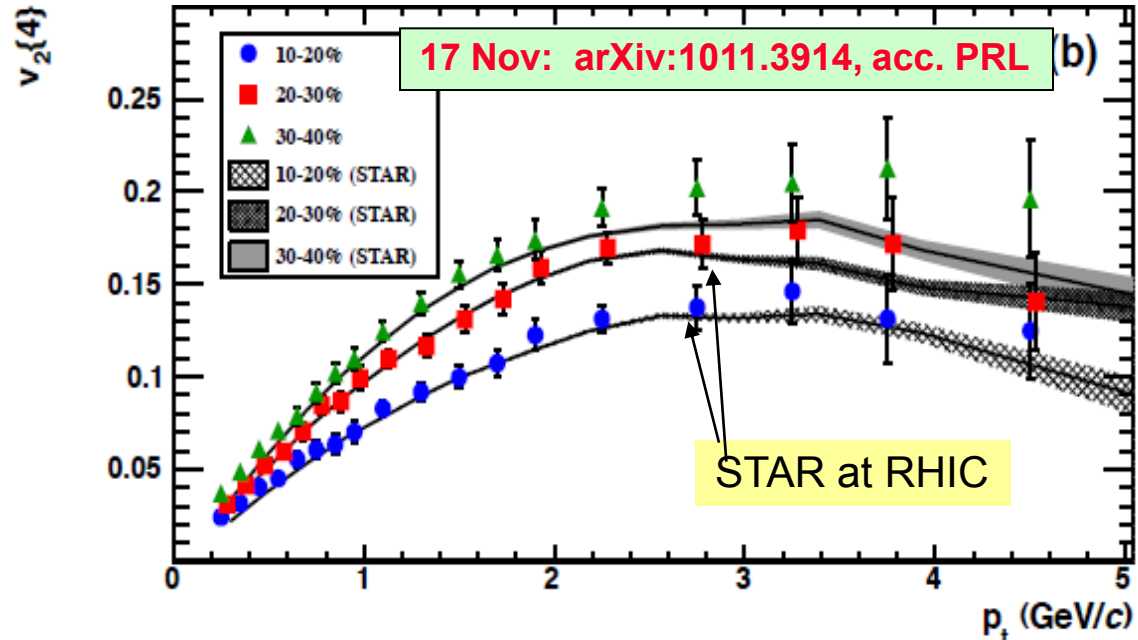




# First Elliptic Flow Measurement at LHC

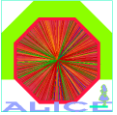


- $v_2$  as function of  $p_t$ 
  - ⇒ **practically no change with energy !**
  - ☆ extends towards larger centrality/higher  $p_t$  ?
- $v_2$  integrated over  $p_t$ 
  - ⇒ **30% increase from RHIC**
  - ⇒  $\langle p_t \rangle$  increases with  $\sqrt{s}$
  - ☆ pQCD powerlaw tail ?
  - ⇒ Hydro predicts increased 'radial flow'
  - ☆ very characteristic  $p_t$  and mass dependence; **to be confirmed !**



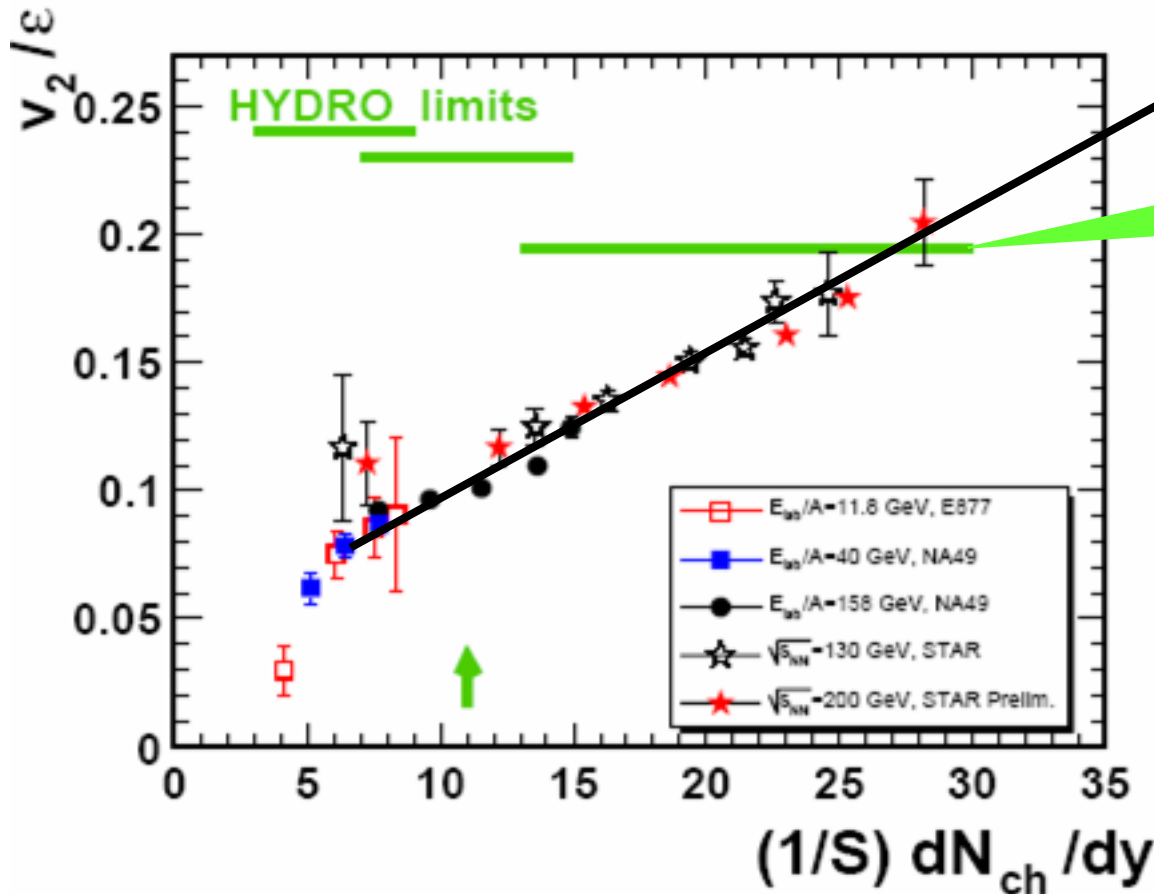


# Testing the HI 'Standard Model'



● Hydro passed the first test !

⇒ many more tests of Hydro and the HI-SM to come....

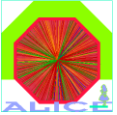


LHC !

CERN Press release, November 26, 2010:  
 'confirms that the much hotter plasma produced at the LHC behaves as a very low viscosity liquid (a perfect fluid)..'



# Testing Quarkonia Suppression

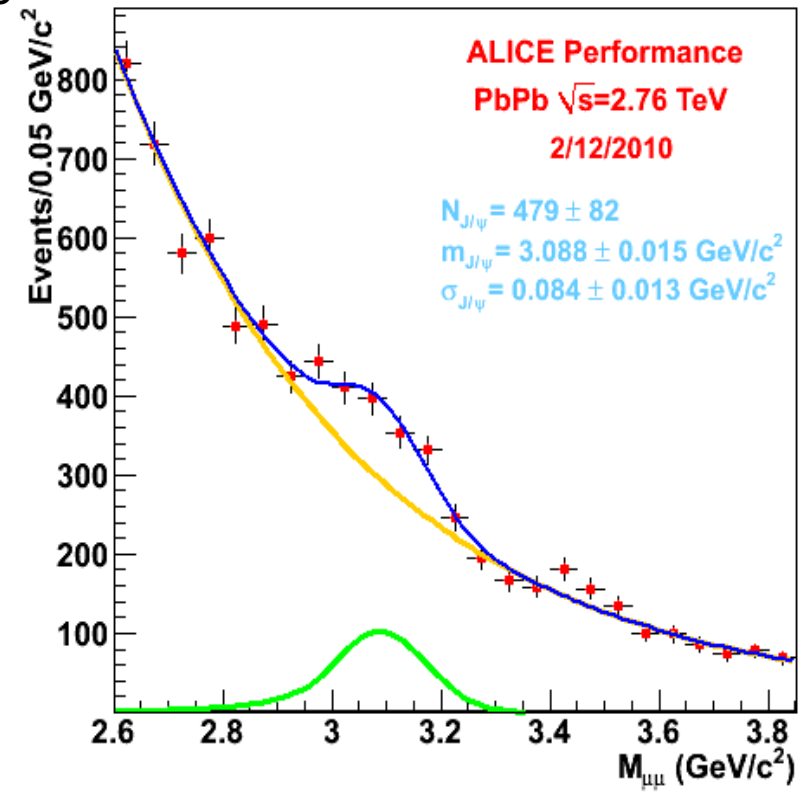


- Interpretation of SPS & RHIC results ambiguous
  - ⇒ **HI-SM** :  $J/\Psi$  ( $Y'$ ,  $Y''$ ) suppression stronger at LHC,  $Y$  suppression depends on T
  - ⇒ **extension** to HISM:  $J/\Psi$  enhancement,  $Y'$ ,  $Y''$  suppression
    - ★ recombination of charm pairs to  $J/\Psi$  may mask suppression at RHIC

- Partial answer expected from this years data

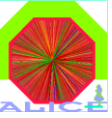
- ⇒ normalisation (measured/expected) ongoing
- ⇒  $Y$  family will need integrated  $L \sim 1-2 \text{ nb}^{-1}$

Pb-Pb Min. Bias  
fraction of data  
expect few 1000  $J/\Psi$   
total by end 2010





# Role of LHC after RHIC/SPS



- 1) Quantitative differences
- 2) Test & validate the HI 'Standard Model'

Precision measurements  
are still a long way ahead,  
but it looks like  
we will get there !

- 3) 'Precision' measurements of QGP parameters

⇒ **Quantitative and systematic study** of the new state of matter

☆ **Equation-of-State**  $f(\varepsilon, p, T)$ , **viscosity**  $\eta$  (flow), **transport coefficient**  $q$  (jet quenching),  
Debye **screening mass** (Quarkonia suppression), ...

⇒ **Confront with Theory and Models:**

☆ **standard tools:** Lattice QCD, pQCD, Thermo- and Hydrodynamics, ...

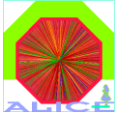
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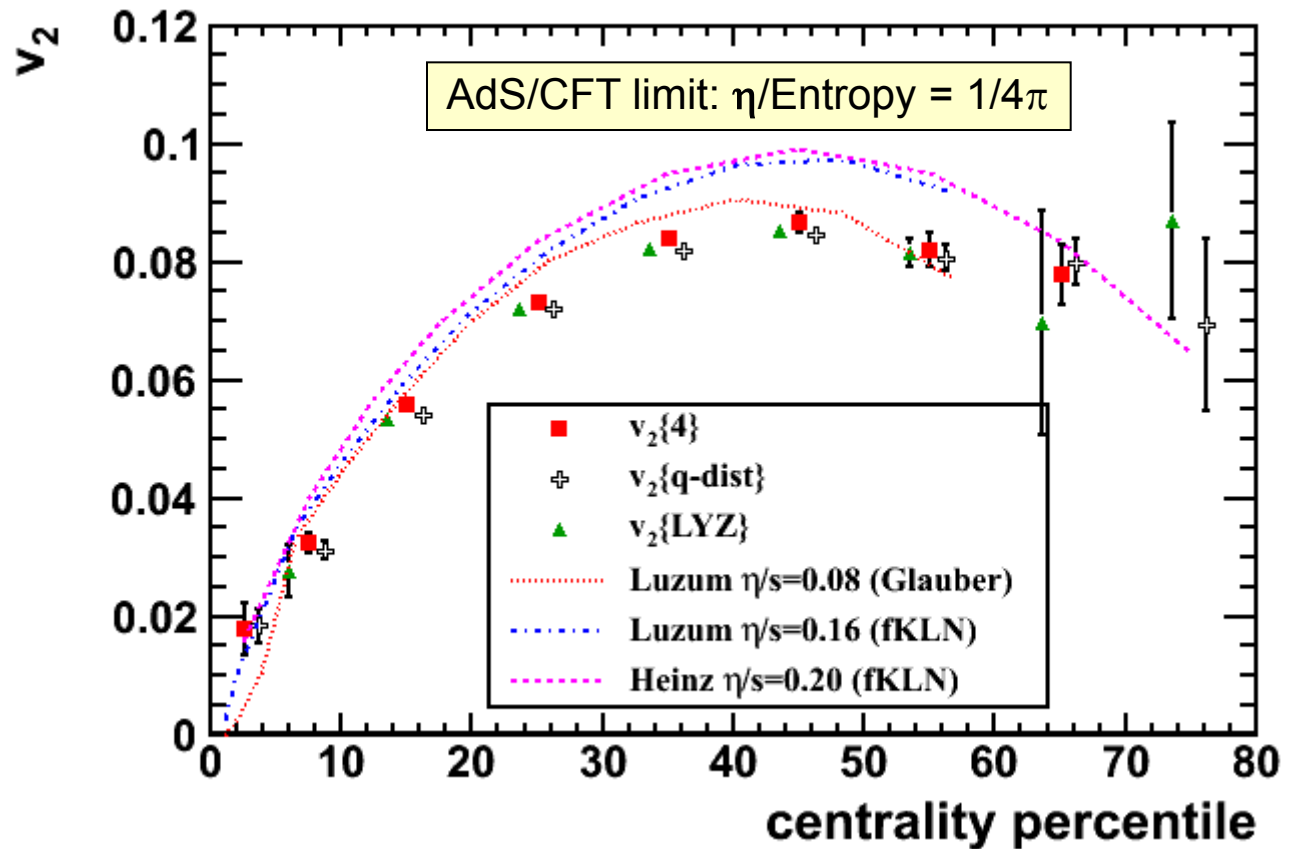
# 3) Towards Precision Measurements



## ● Sensitivity to fluid viscosity $\eta$

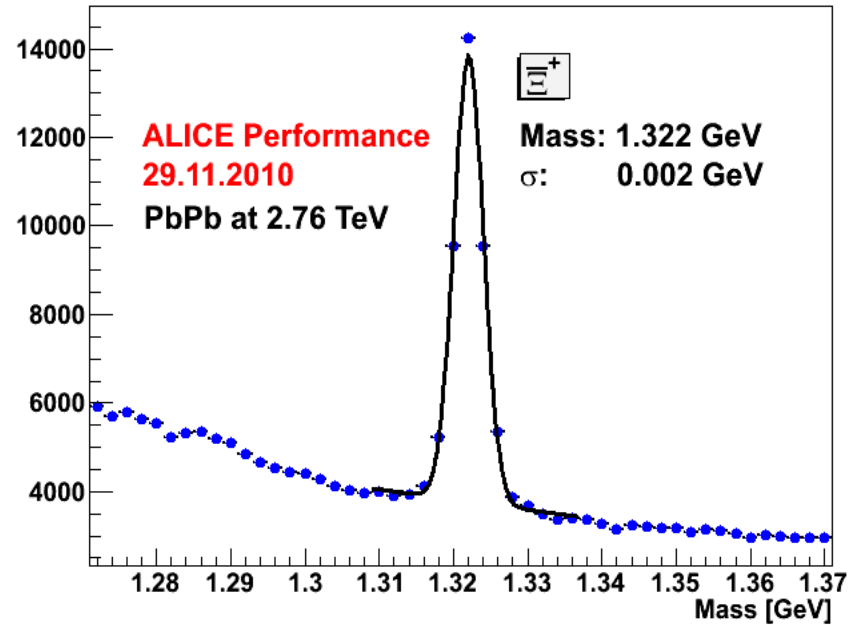
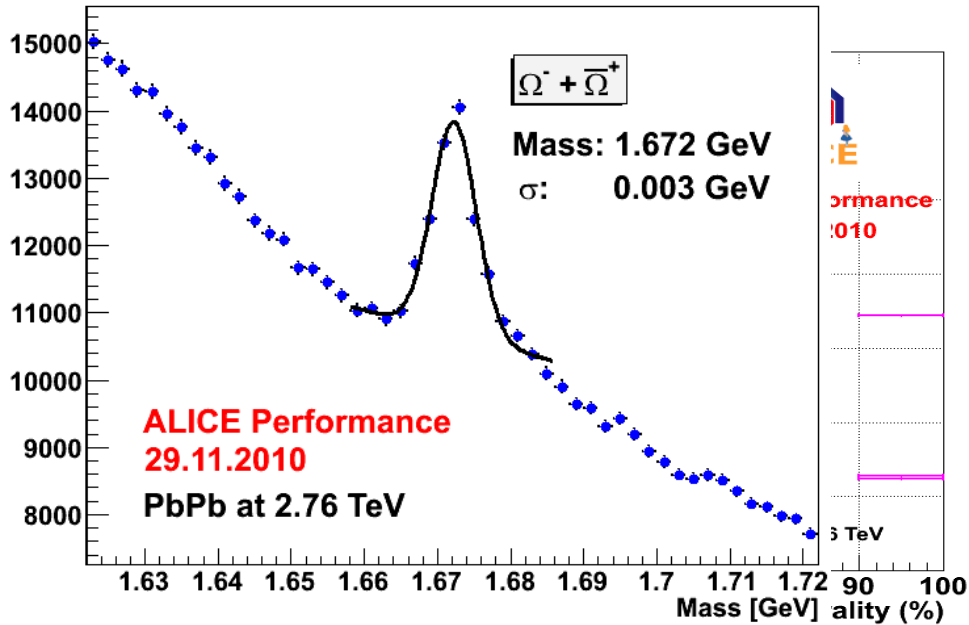
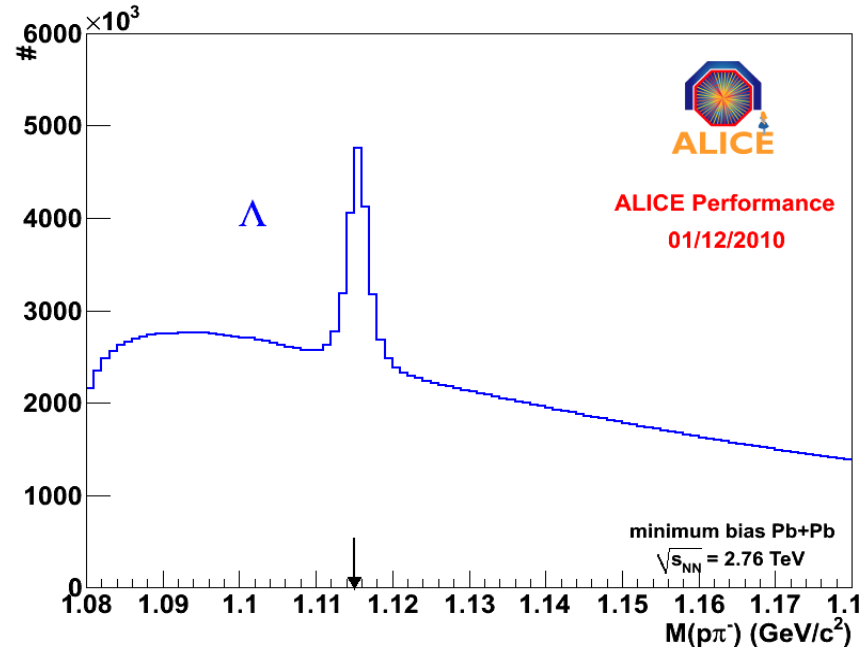
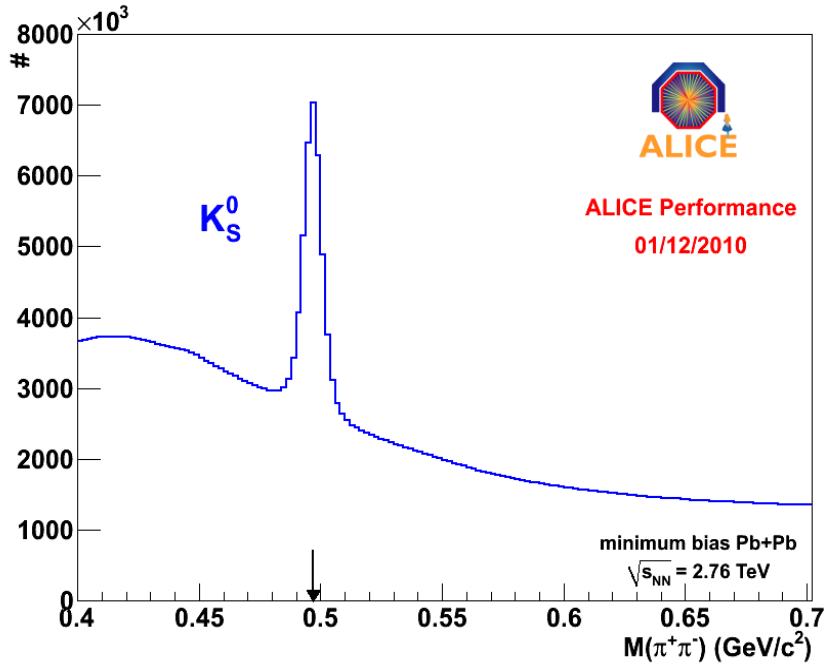
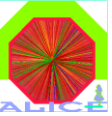
⇒ Quantitative results will need much more time and more experimental input ...

- ⊕ elliptic flow with identified particles, radial flow ('radial expansion'), better determination of initial geometry, .....



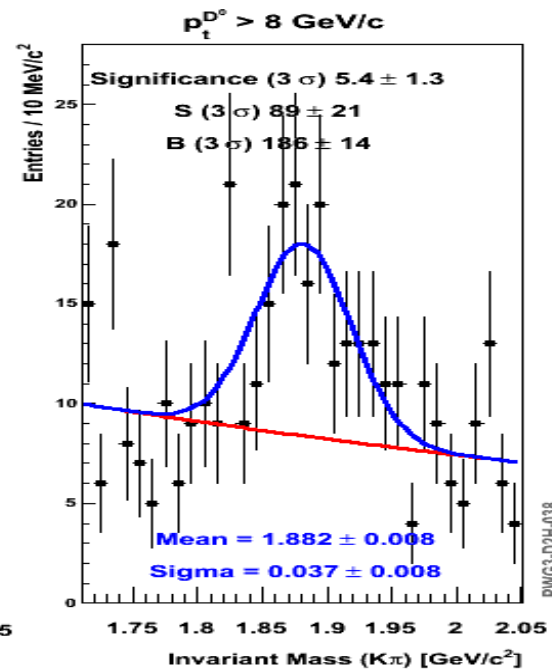
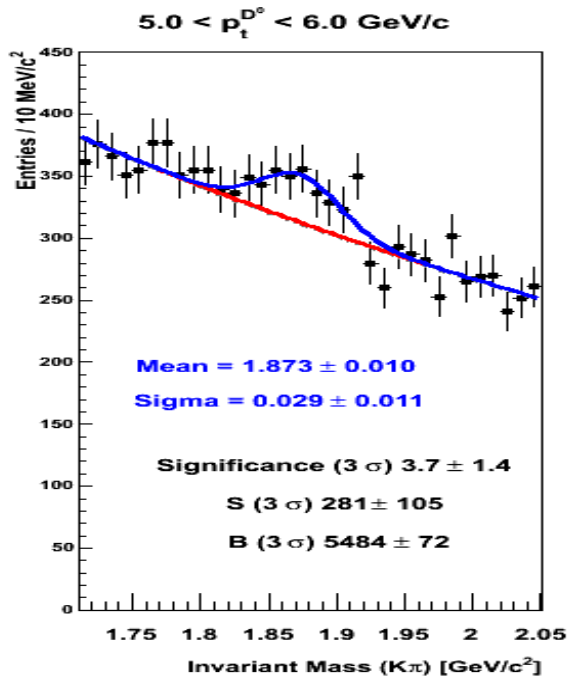
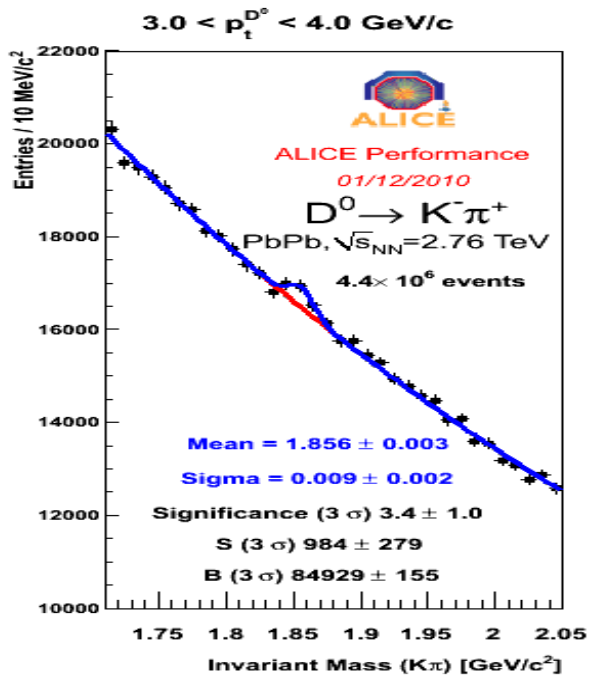
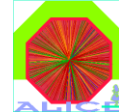


# Strangeness in Pb-Pb

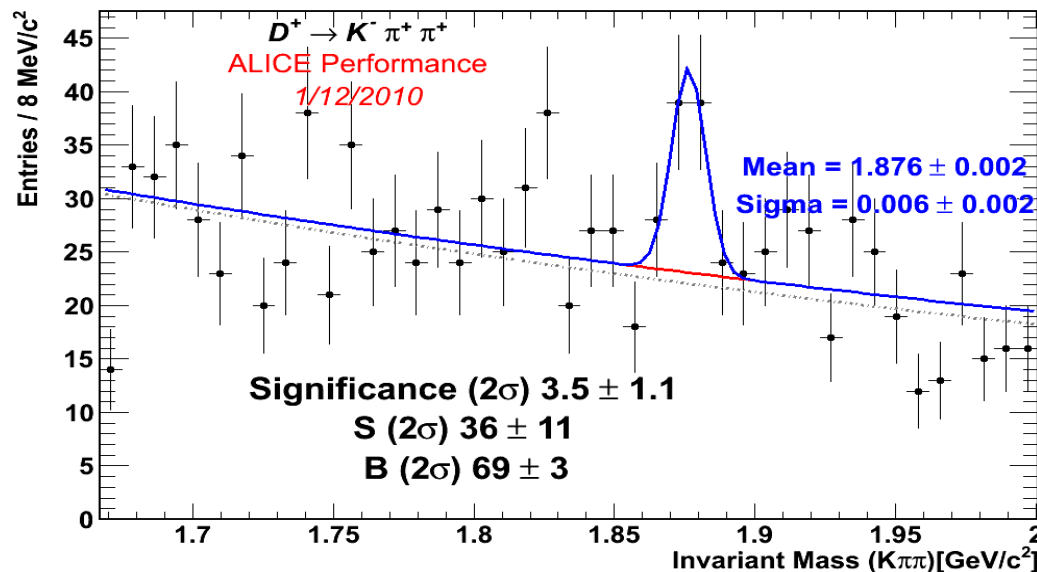




# Charm in Pb-Pb



Pb-Pb  $\sqrt{s}=2.76$  TeV,  $1.7 \times 10^6$  events, p<sub>t</sub><sup>D<sup>+</sup></sup> > 6 GeV/c



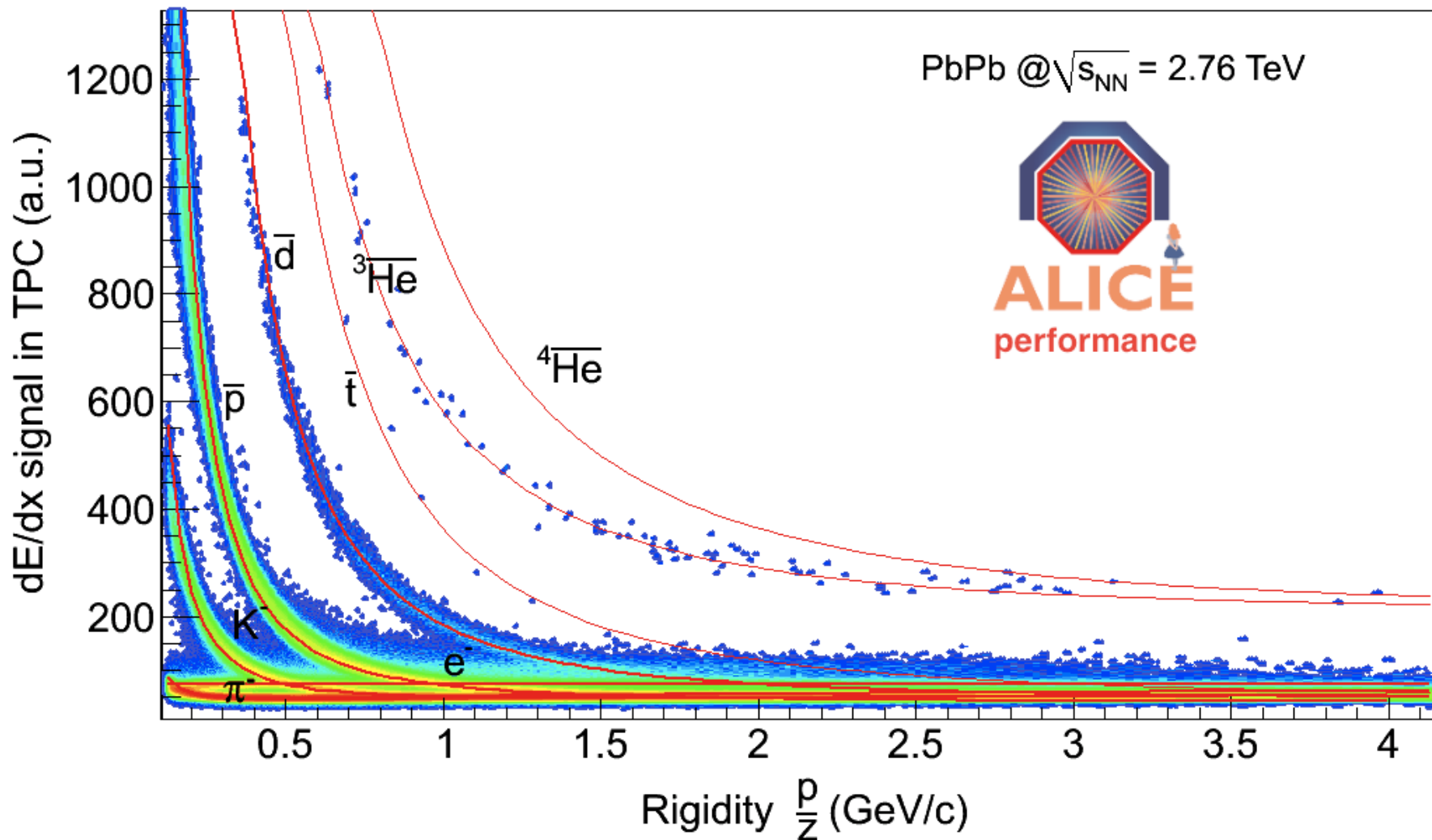
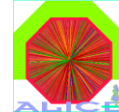
'Jet quenching' with heavy quarks:

Energy loss depends on

- color charge (quark/gluon)
- mass (light/heavy quarks)



# Anti-Nuclei

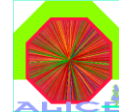


~ 2 M Pb-Pb Min Bias events

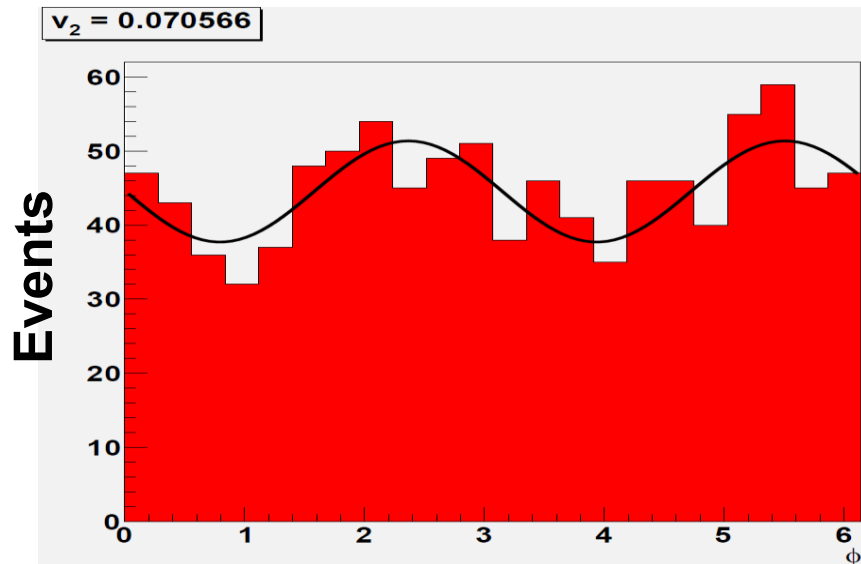
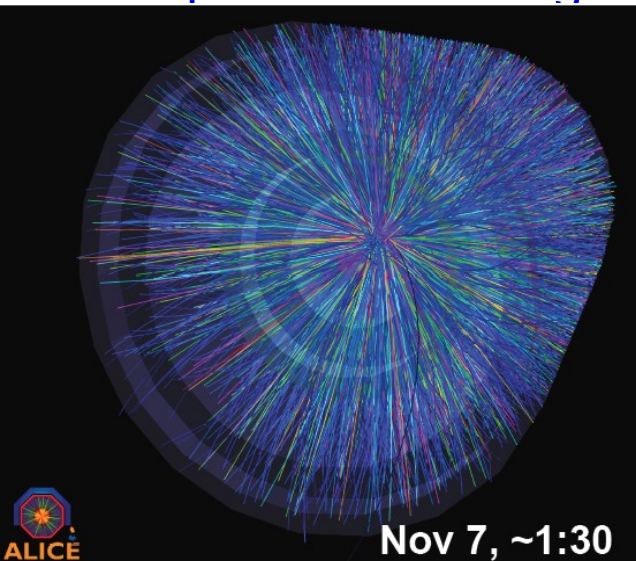




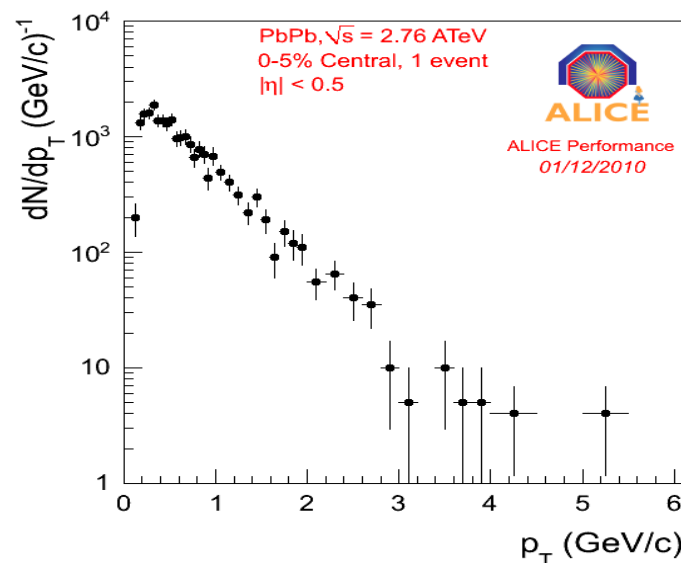
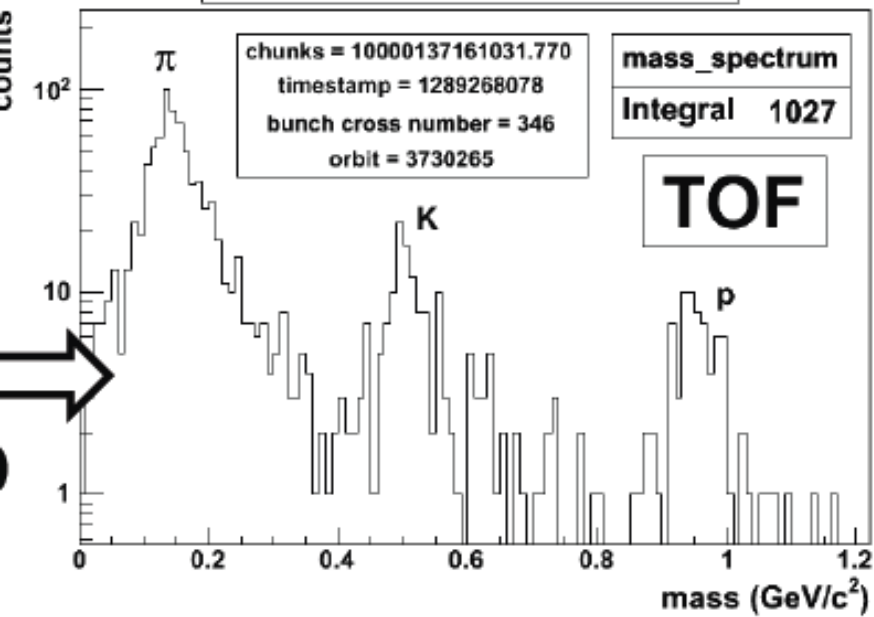
# 'Single Events'



- 'Properties of average events instead of average event properties'

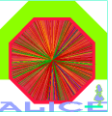


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# Summary



## ● LHC is a fantastic ‘Big Bang’ machine

- ⇒ even for LHC standards, speed and quality of ion run is outstanding
- ⇒ unprecedented powerful and complementary set of detectors
- ⇒ physics looks to be even more interesting than anticipated

(LHCb, wanna join ?)

While waiting for Mr. Higgs and Ms. Susy, there is plenty of exciting physics (and fun) exploring QCD in a new domain, where the strong interaction is really strong !



## ● Looking forward to the ‘terra incognita’ of HI at LHC

**Big THANKS** to the **CERN crew** from ion source all the way to LHC

Hic sunt Leones !

