

Experimental Overview of QGP in small system

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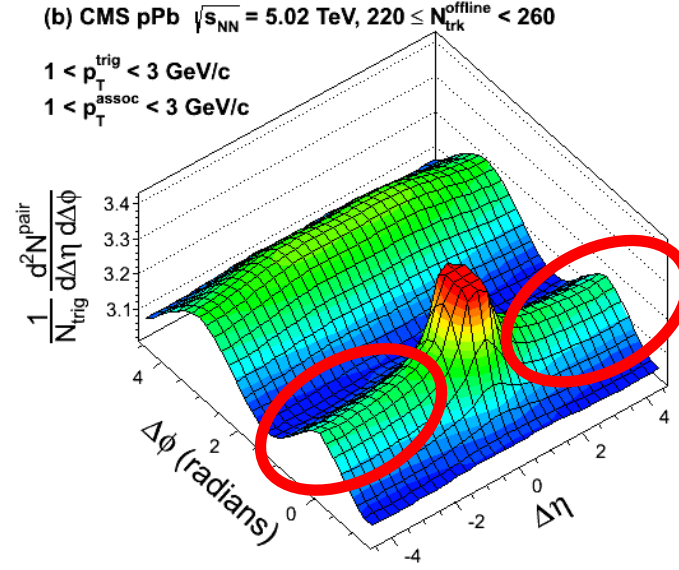
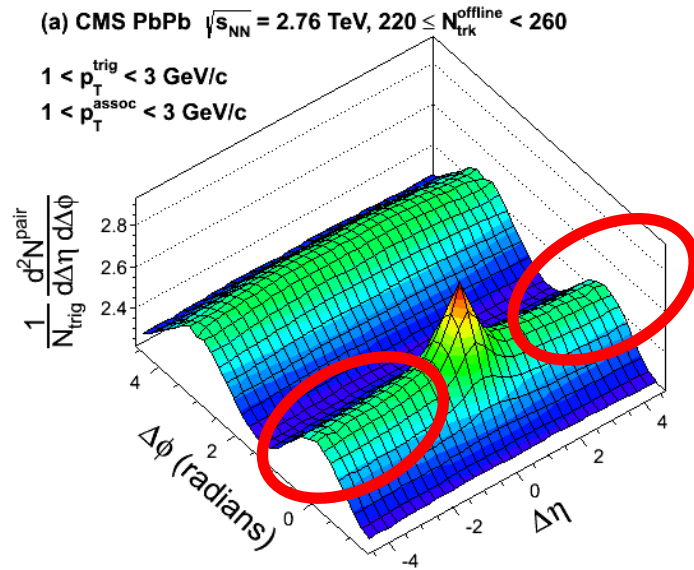
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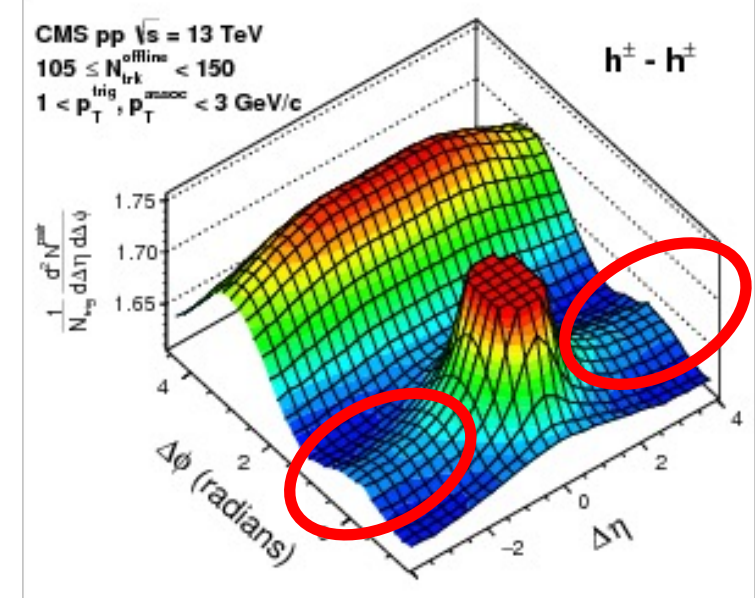
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The first hint of QGP in small system

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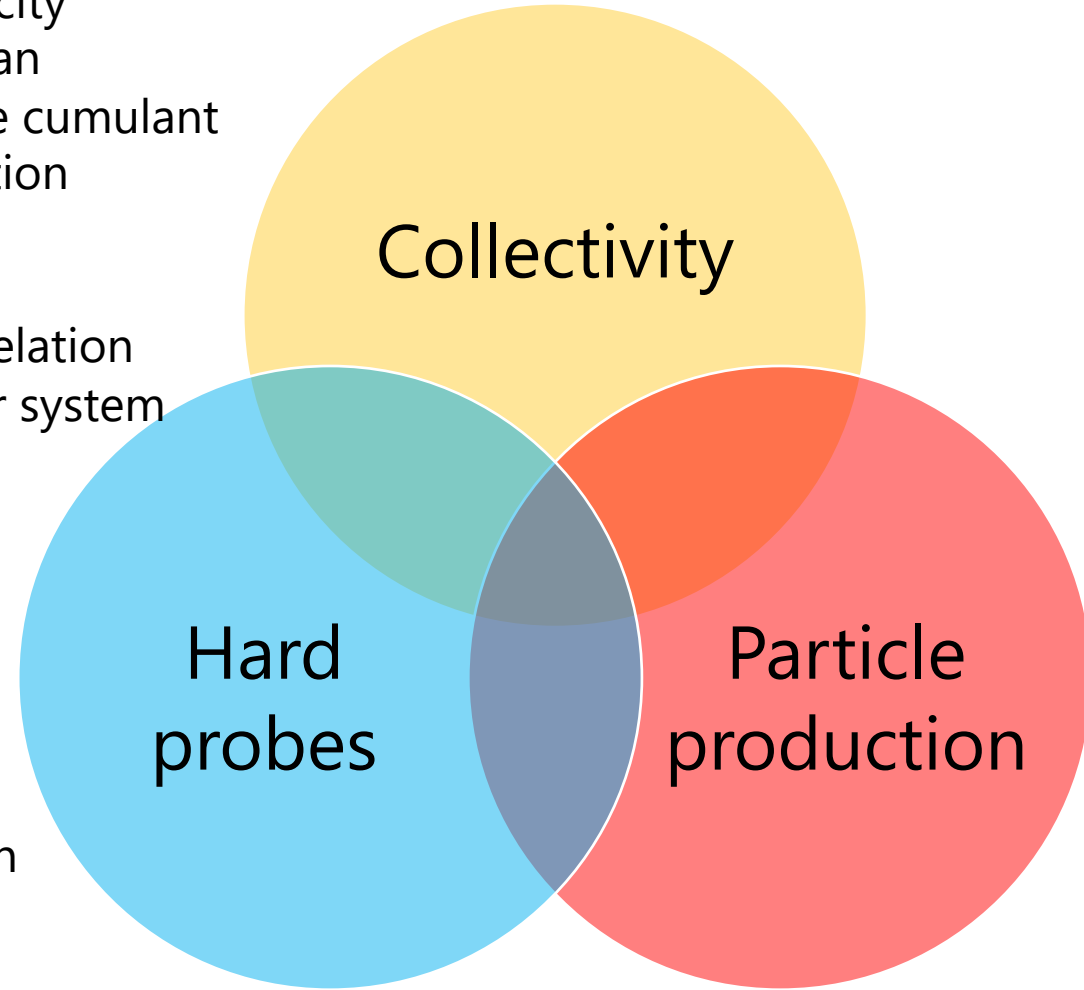


- Observation of long-range correlations at $\Delta\phi \sim 0$, so-called near-side "ridge", in Pb–Pb and high-multiplicity pp and p–Pb collisions.
 - Indication of collectivity in small systems.

Experimental measurements in small systems

- Many systematic measurements to investigate the properties of small system

- v_n vs multiplicity
- Geometry scan
- Multi-particle cumulant
- Flow Fluctuation
- PID v_2
- Energy scan
- v_2 - $\langle p_T \rangle$ correlation
- Much smaller system

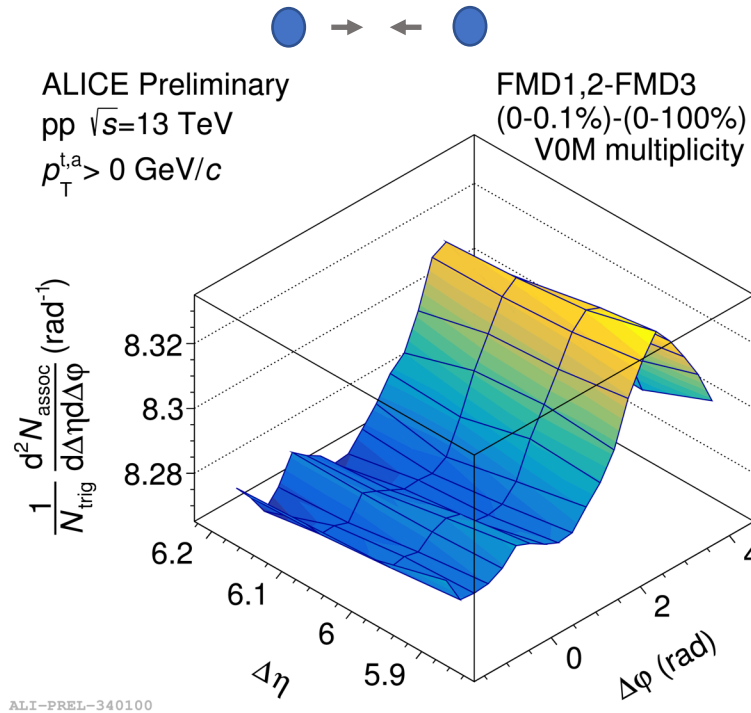
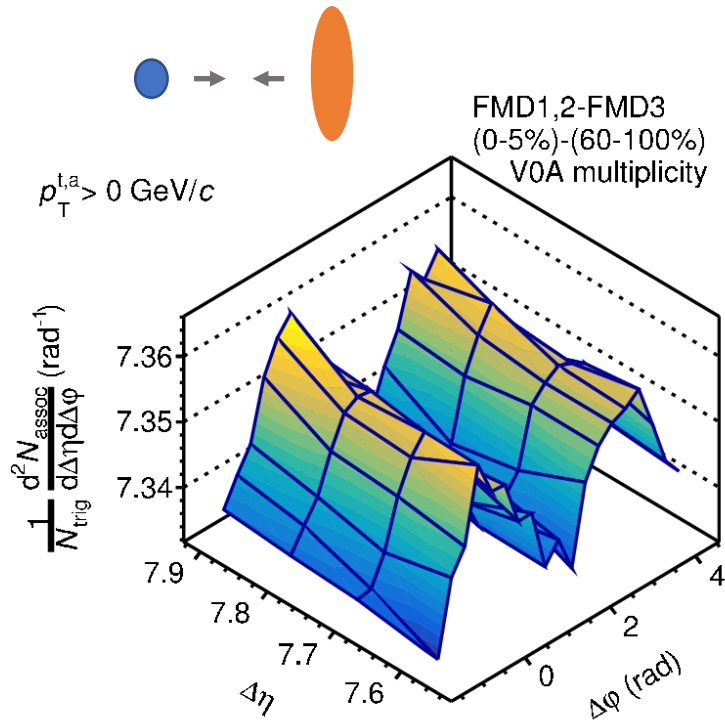


- Open charm production
- HF Flow
- Thermal photon

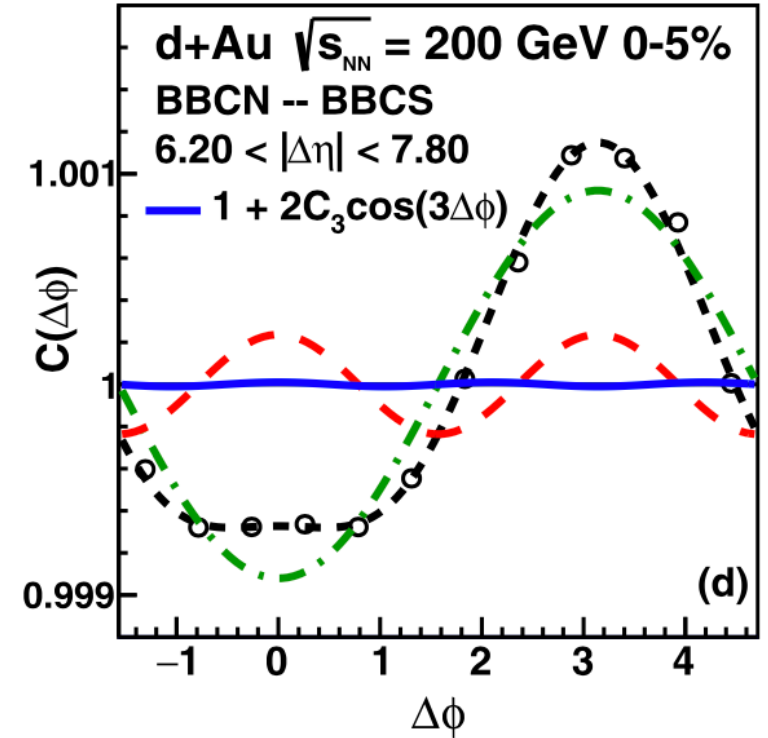
- Strangeness enhancement
- Baryon-to-meson ratio

Systematic Measurements of Collectivity

Long-range two-particle correlation

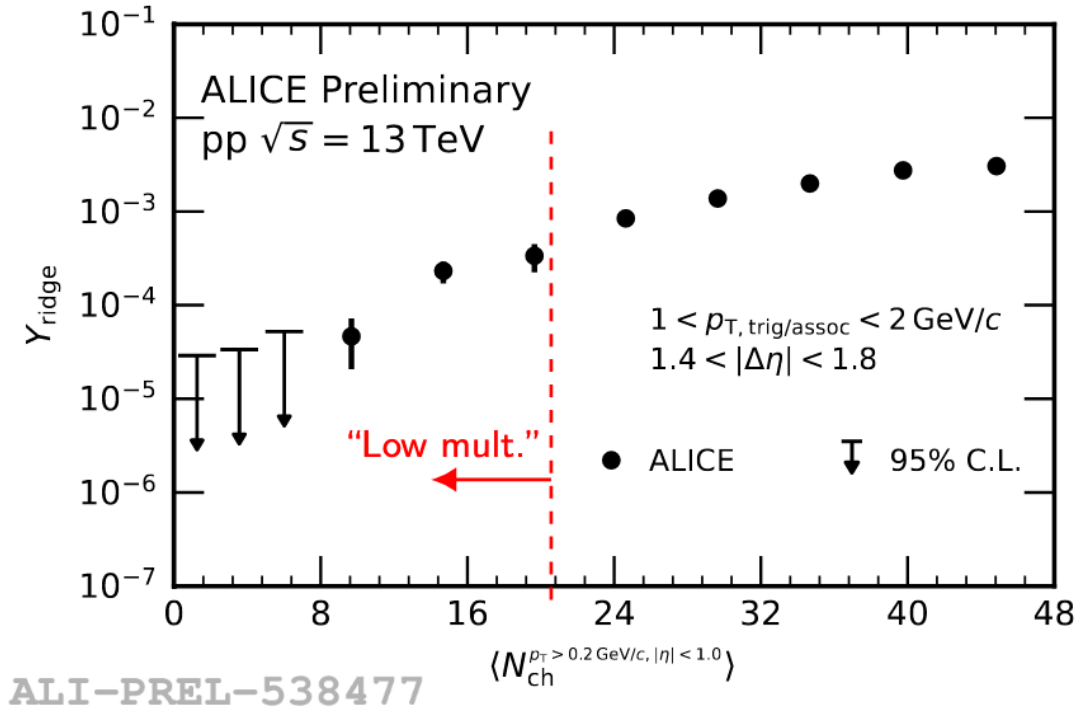
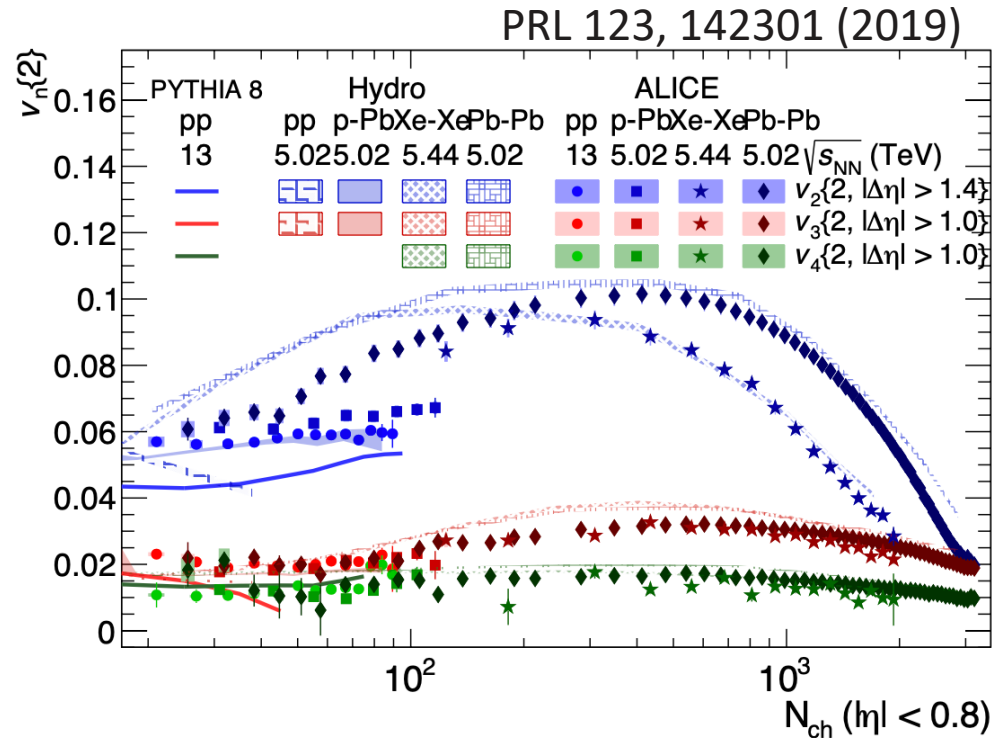


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- Long-range correlations are observed up to very large $\Delta\eta$ in high multiplicity small collision systems at RHIC and LHC.
 - p-Pb at $\Delta\eta \sim 8$
 - pp at $\Delta\eta \sim 6$
 - d-Au at $\Delta\eta \sim 7.8$

v_n vs multiplicity



- Non-zero ridge yield is observed in very low multiplicity regions.
- Smooth transition from small to large system
- ordering $v_2 > v_3 > v_4$
- PYTHIA8 underestimates $v_2\{2\}$ and can not reproduce the ordering in pp collisions.
- Hydro model (IP-Glasma+Music+UrQMD) underestimates $v_2\{2\}$ in pp collisions.

Multi-particle correlation: $C_2\{4\}$

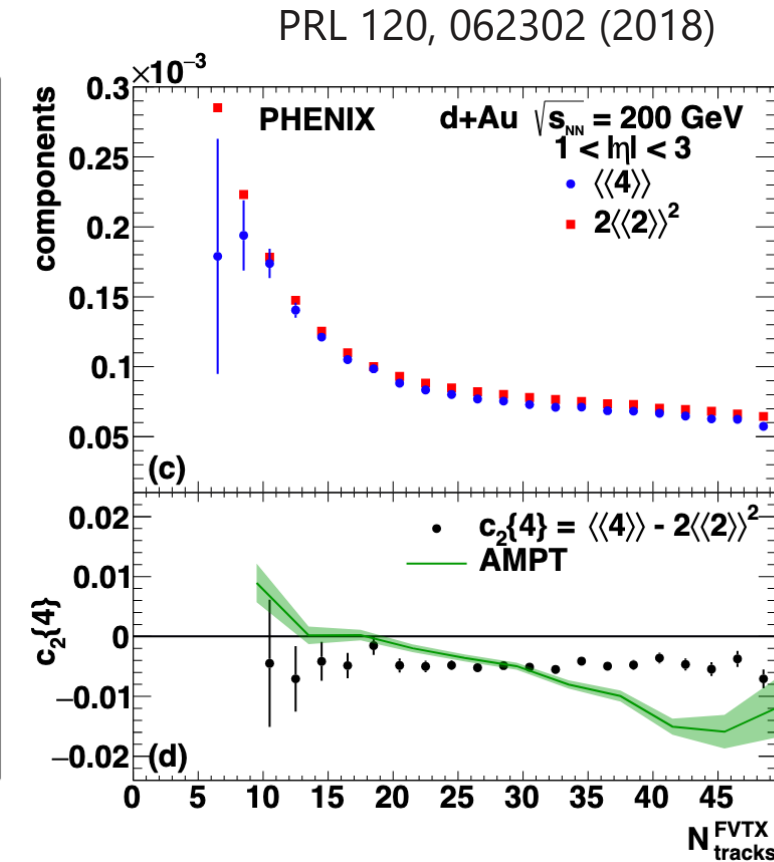
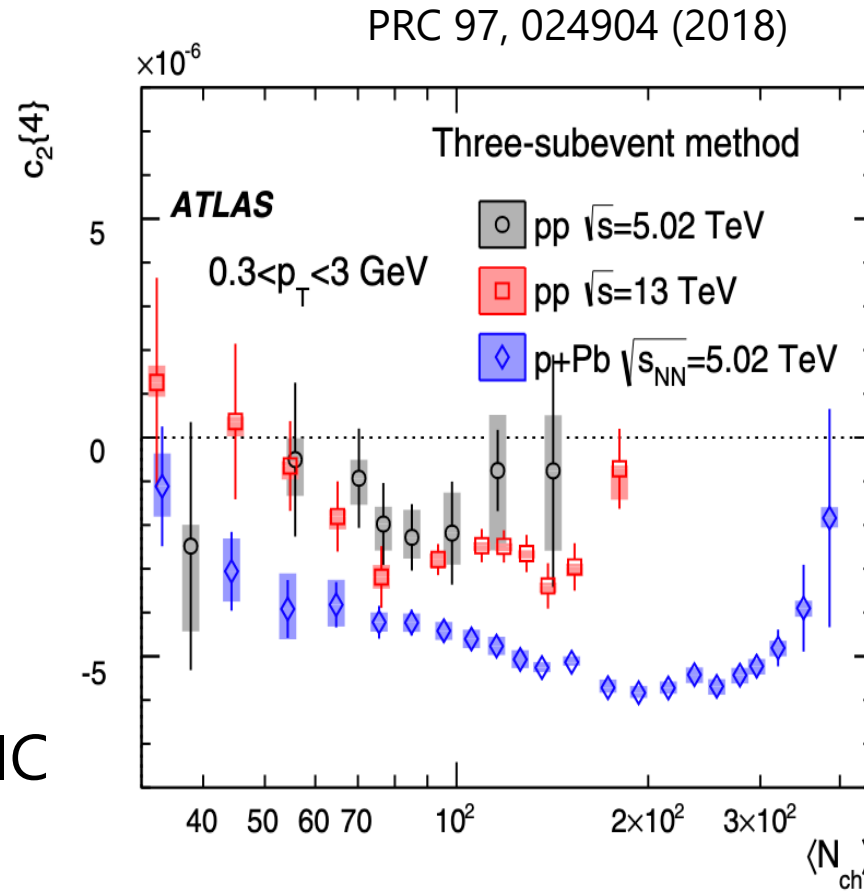
- Negative $c_2\{4\}$ strongly indicates the emergence of collectivity.

$$v_2\{4\} = \sqrt[4]{-c_2\{4\}}$$

$$v_2\{2\} = \langle v_2^2 \rangle + \sigma_2^2$$

$$v_2\{4\} = \langle v_2^2 \rangle - \sigma_2^2$$

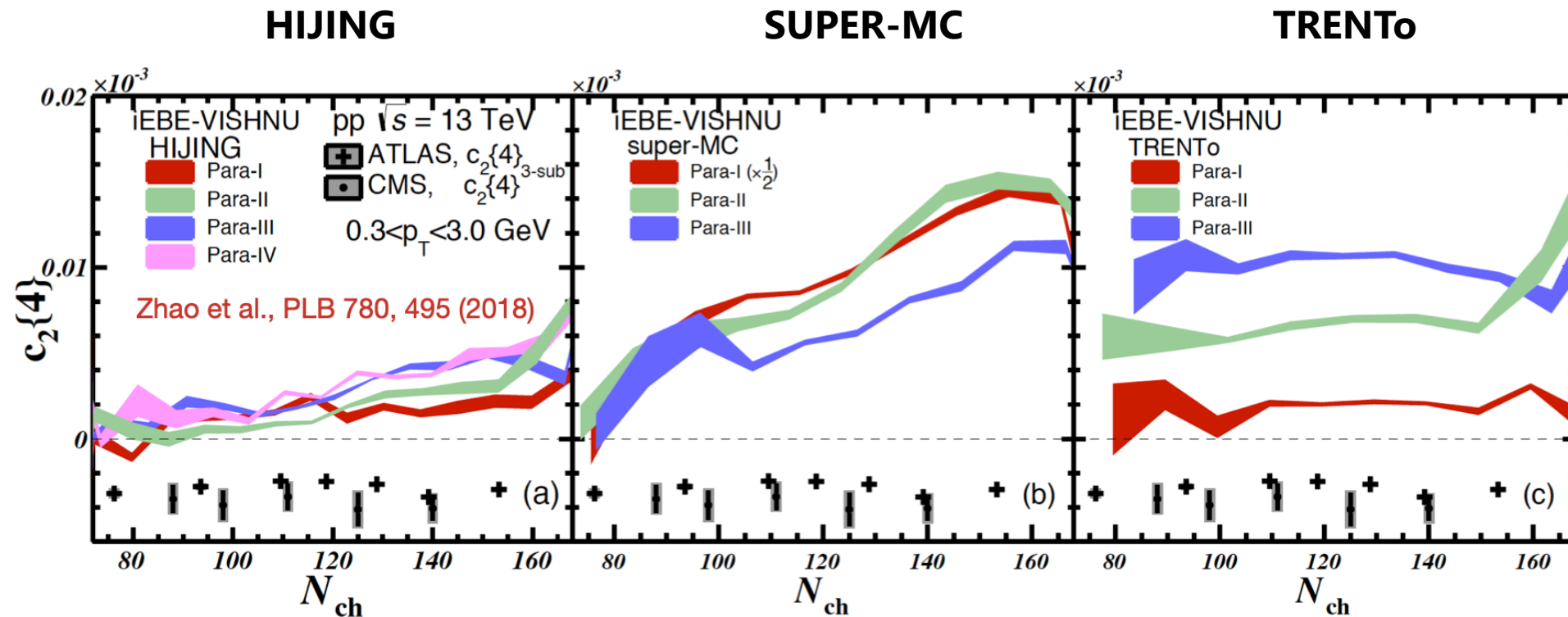
- Negative $c_2\{4\}$ is observed in pp, p-Pb, and Pb-Pb at the LHC.
- Negative $c_2\{4\}$ is observed in d-Au, but not in p-Au at RHIC w/o subevent method.



$c_2\{4\}$ vs hydro

- Negative $c_2\{4\}$ in pp collisions is not reproduced using various initial conditions.
- Importance of understanding Initial state

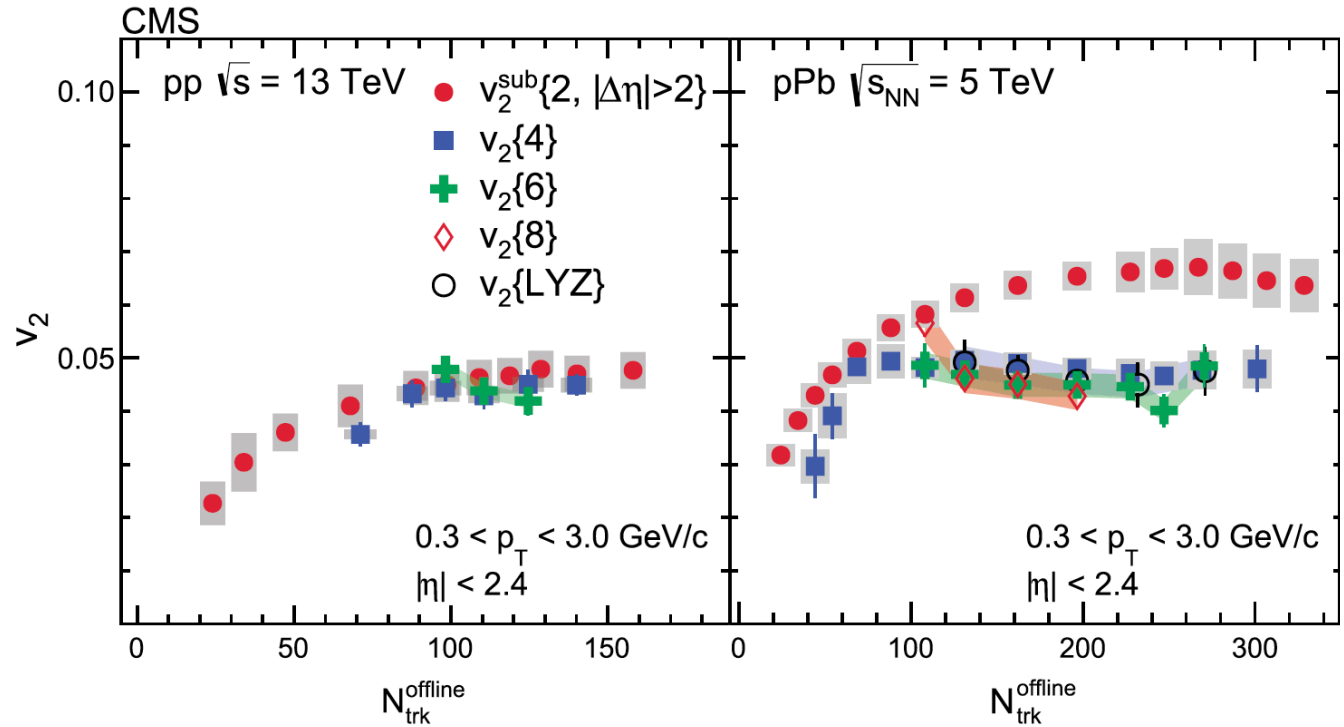
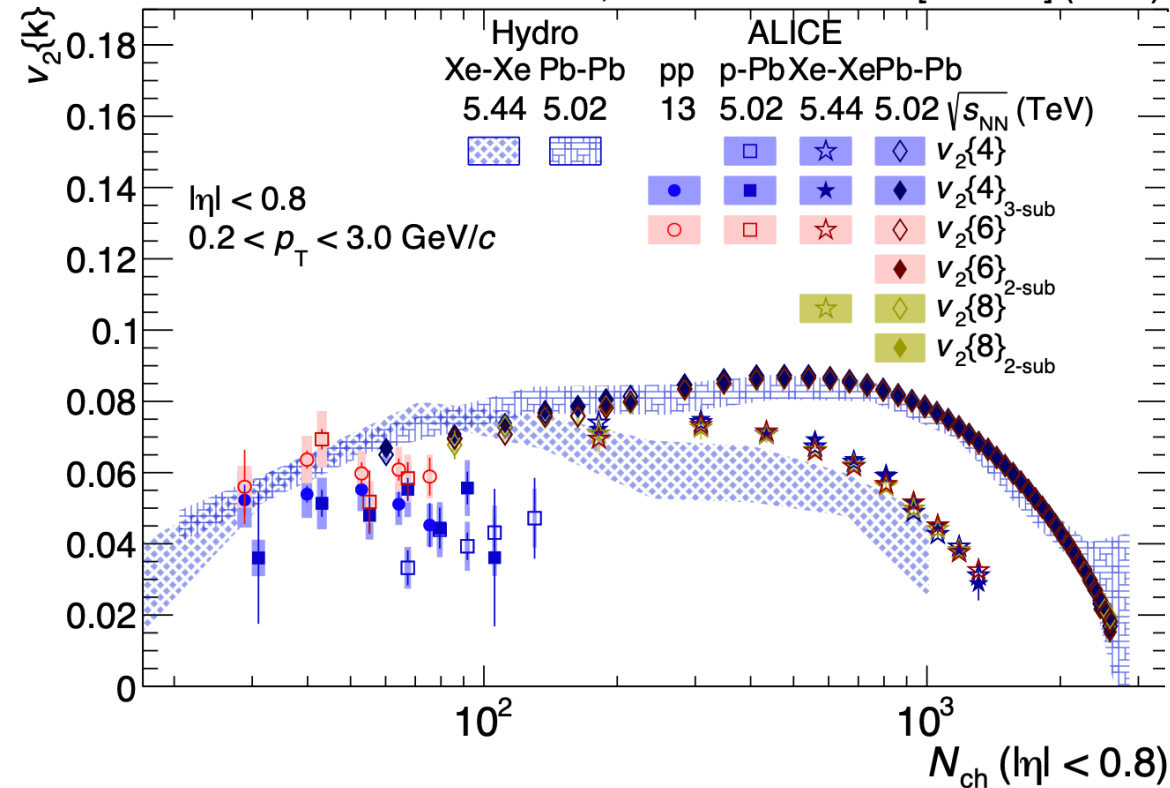
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$v_2\{4,6,8\}$ from small to large system

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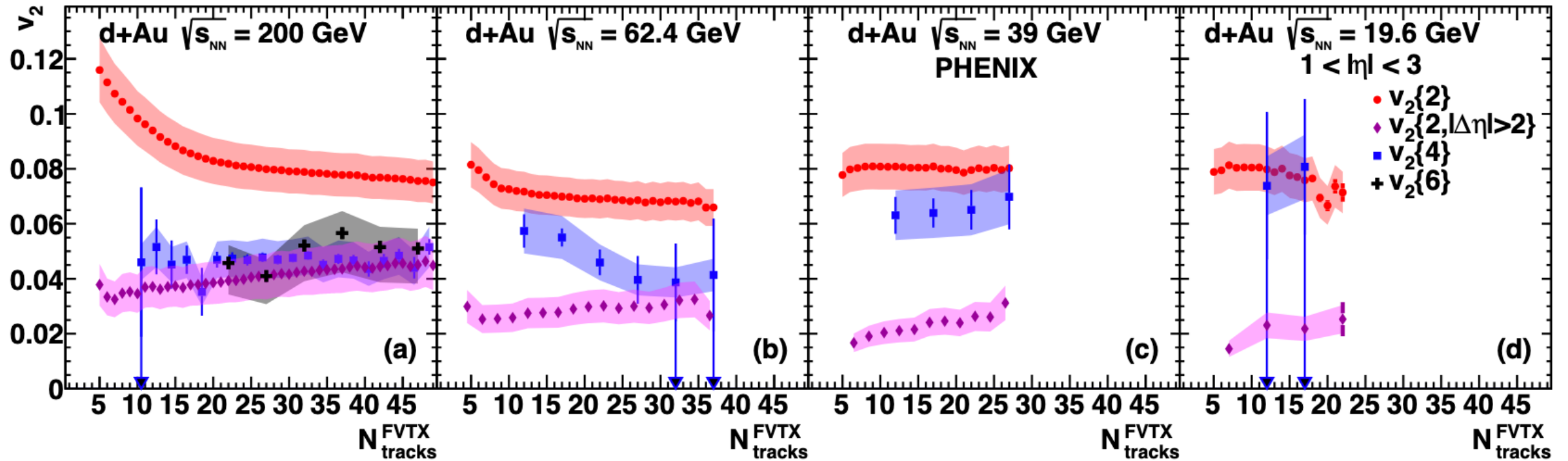
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- v_2 s by multi-particle correlations are comparable in pp and p-Pb same as Pb-Pb: $v_2\{4\} \sim v_2\{6\} \sim v_2\{8\}$
- ↳ Evidence of collectivity in small system

Energy dependence of multi-particle correlation

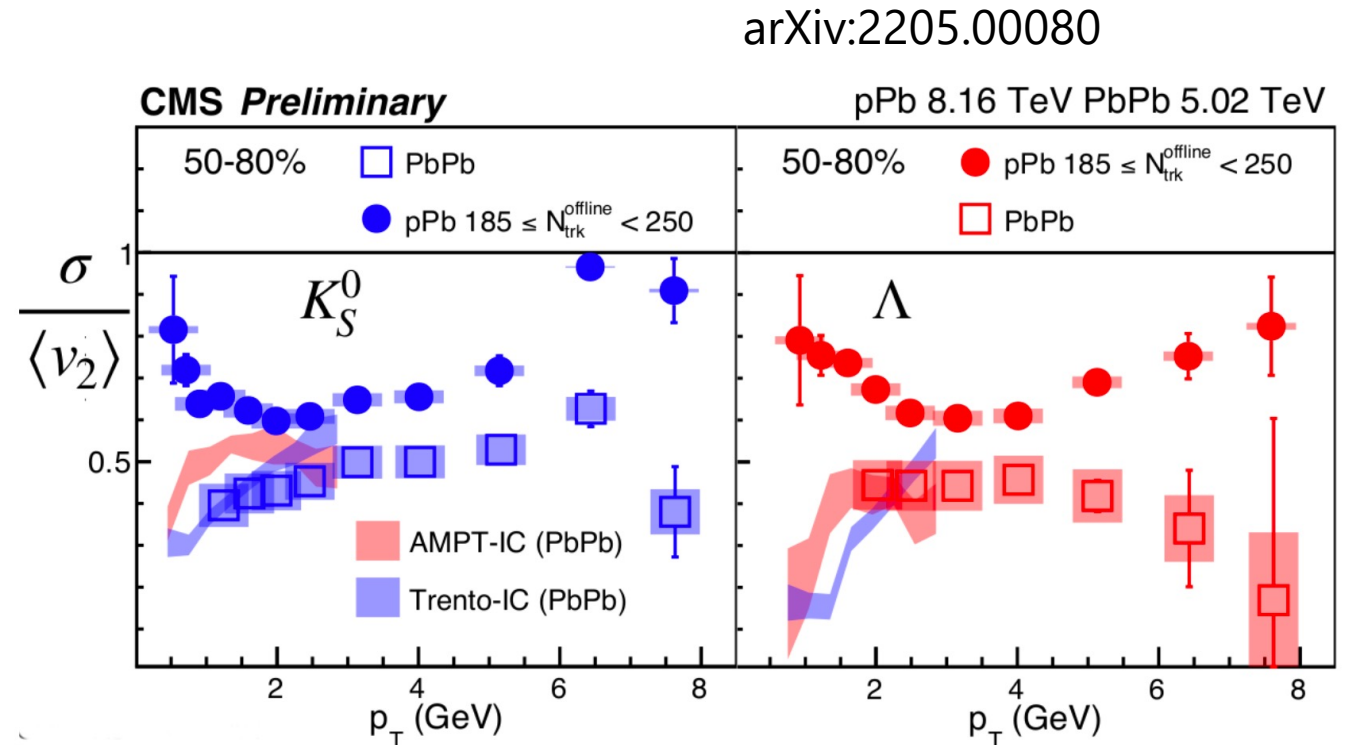
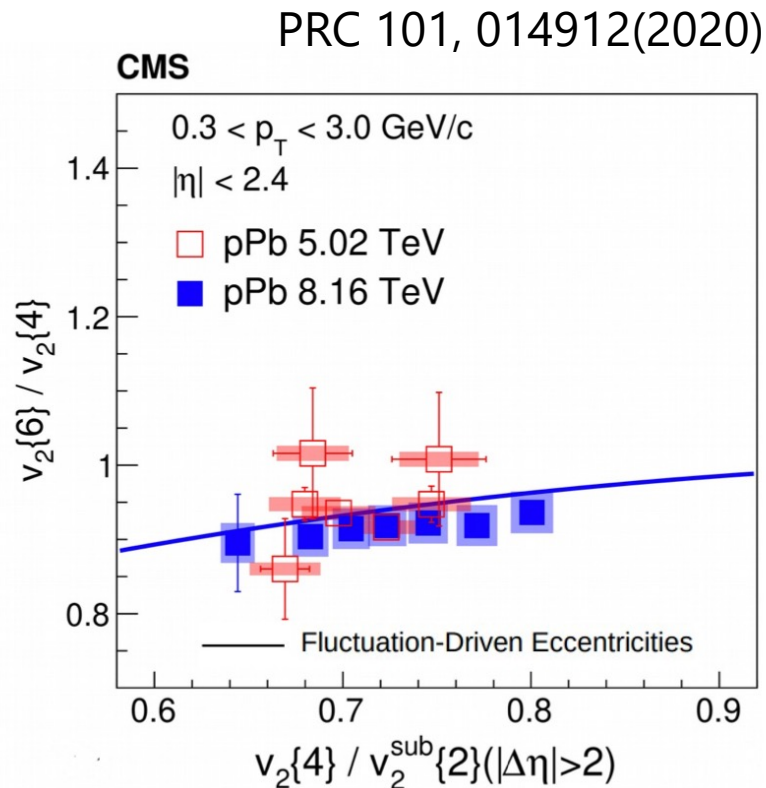
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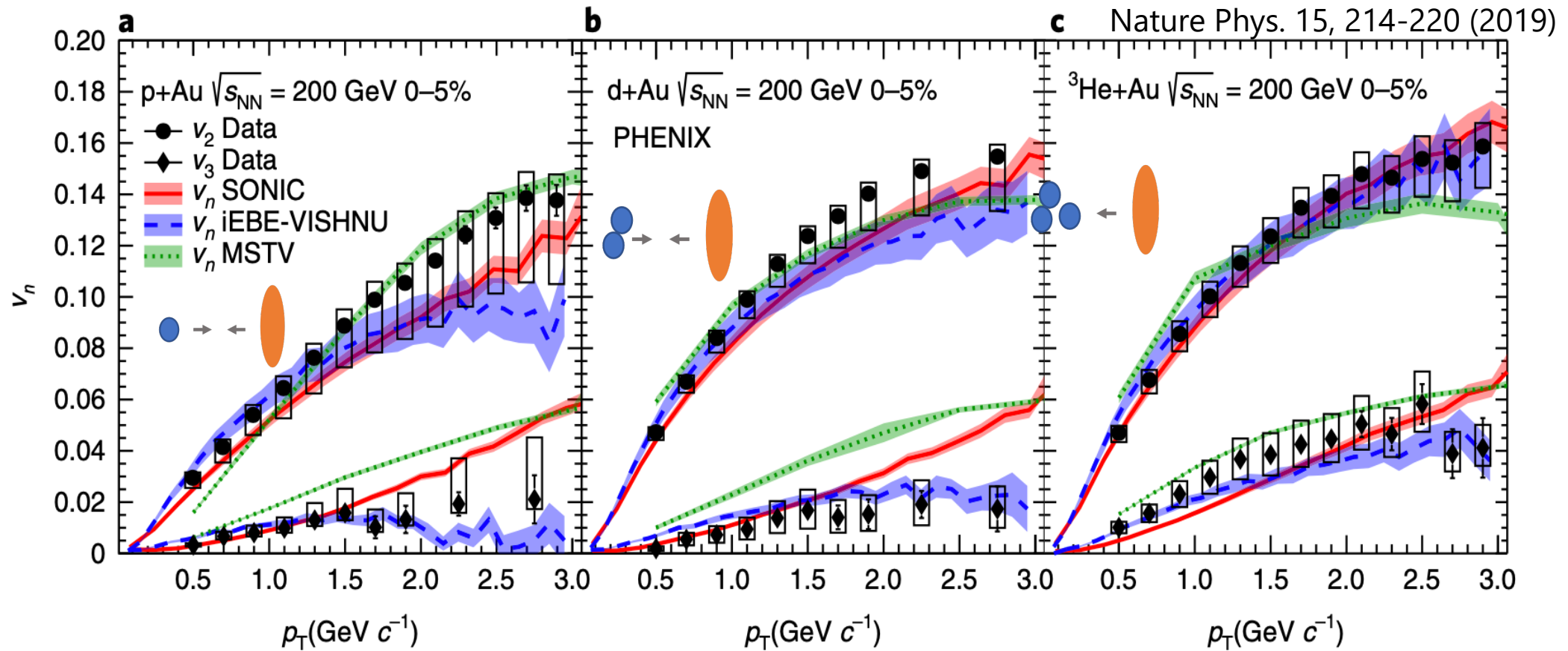
- v_2 s by multi-particle correlations is observed in d–Au collisions down to $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 19.6$ GeV

Flow Fluctuation

- Ratios of multi-particle cumulants are consistent with geometry driven assumptions.
- The fraction of flow fluctuation is larger in p–Pb than Pb–Pb.
- No obvious particle species dependence of fluctuation.
 - Fluctuation is originated from initial-state geometry.



v_n vs initial geometry



- The hydro model describes the data well

$$v_2^{pAu} < v_2^{dAu} \approx v_2^{HeAu}$$

$$\varepsilon_2^{pAu} < \varepsilon_2^{dAu} \approx \varepsilon_2^{HeAu}$$

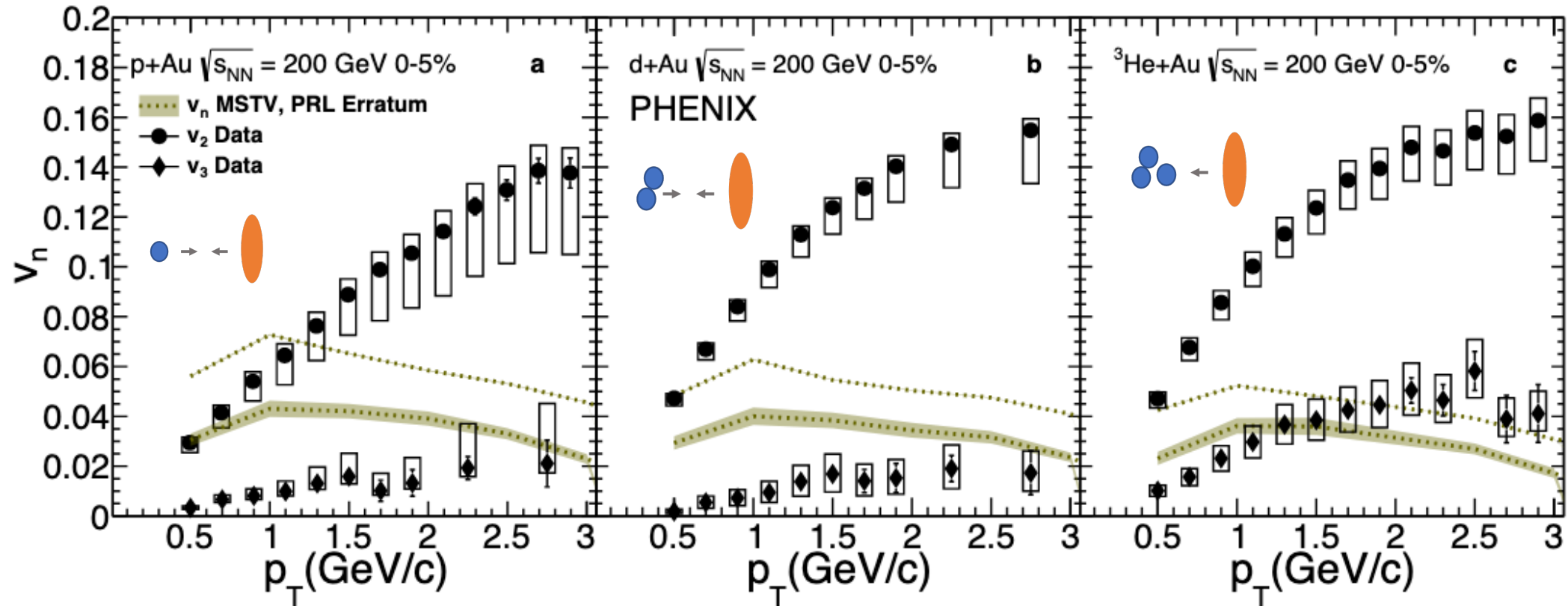


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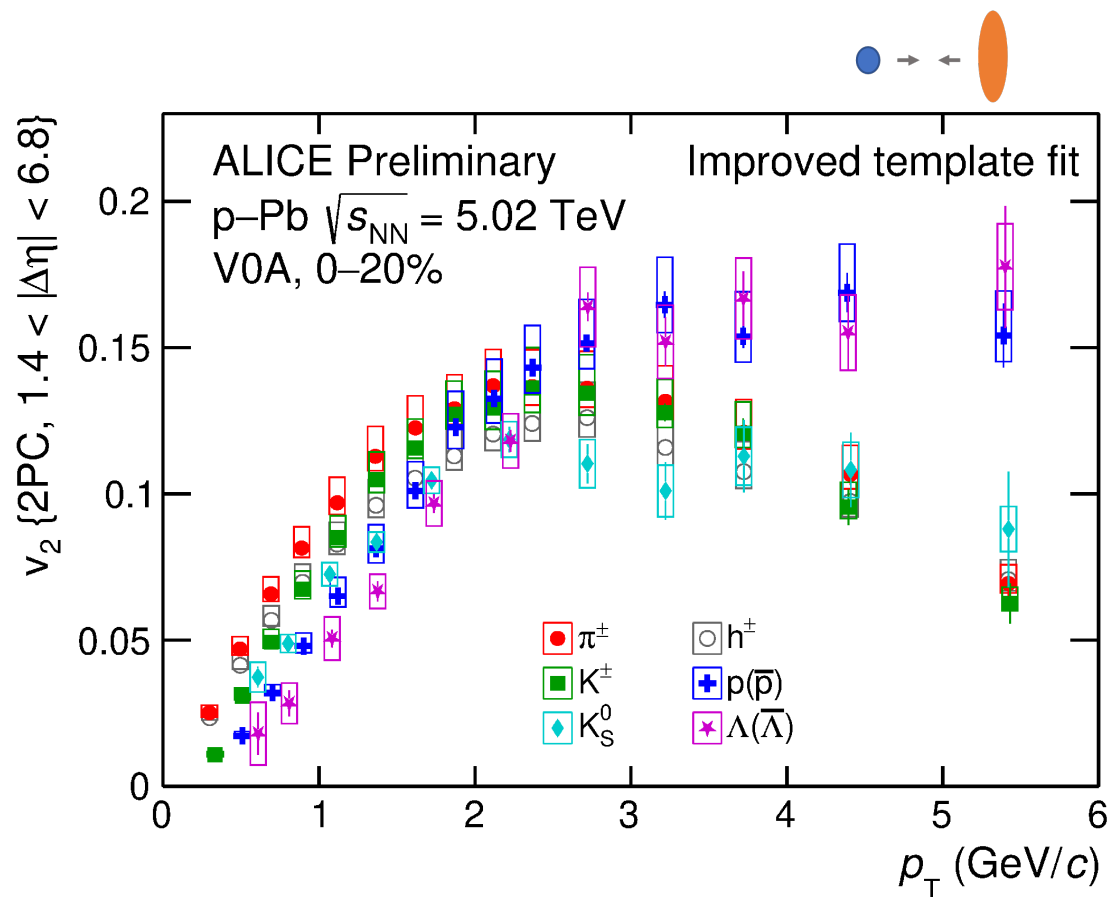
v_n vs initial geometry

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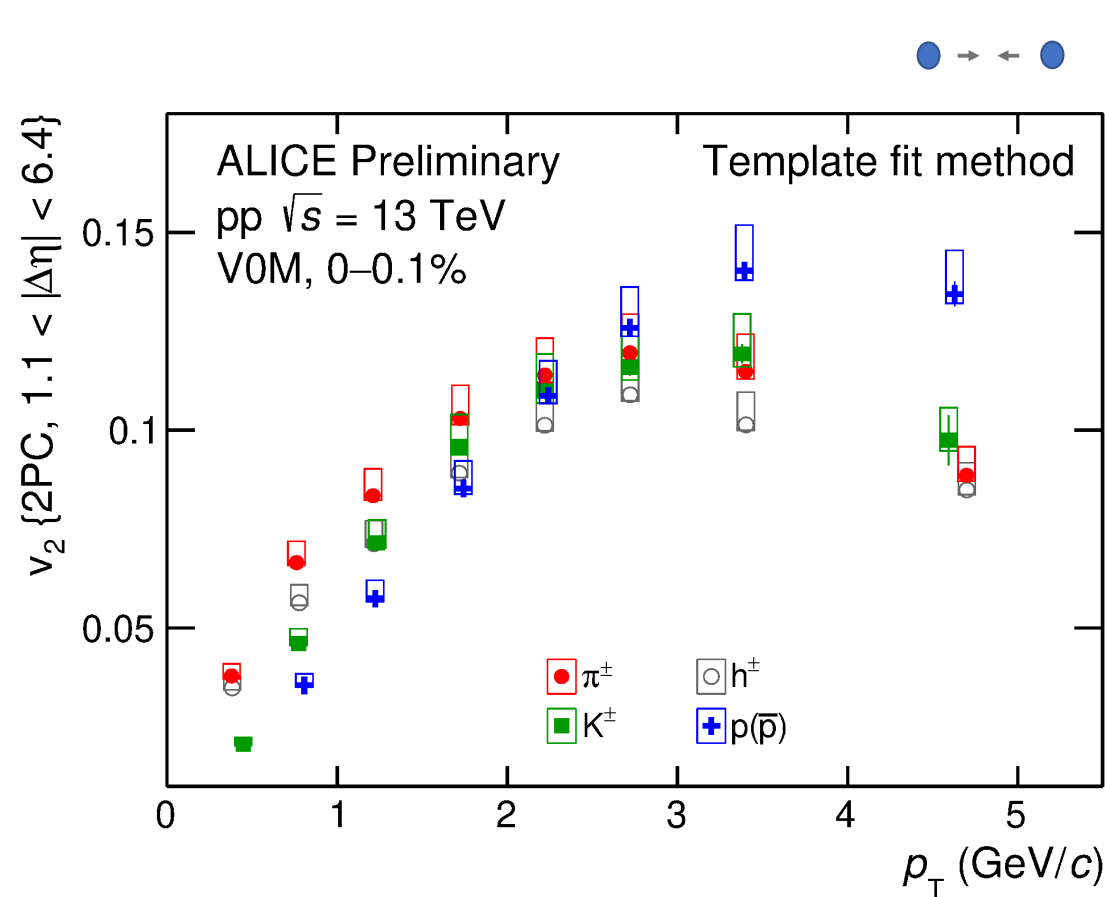


- The initial state model (CGC) alone underestimates the data.
- Interaction in the final state is essential to reproduce v_n

PID v_2 in pp and p-Pb



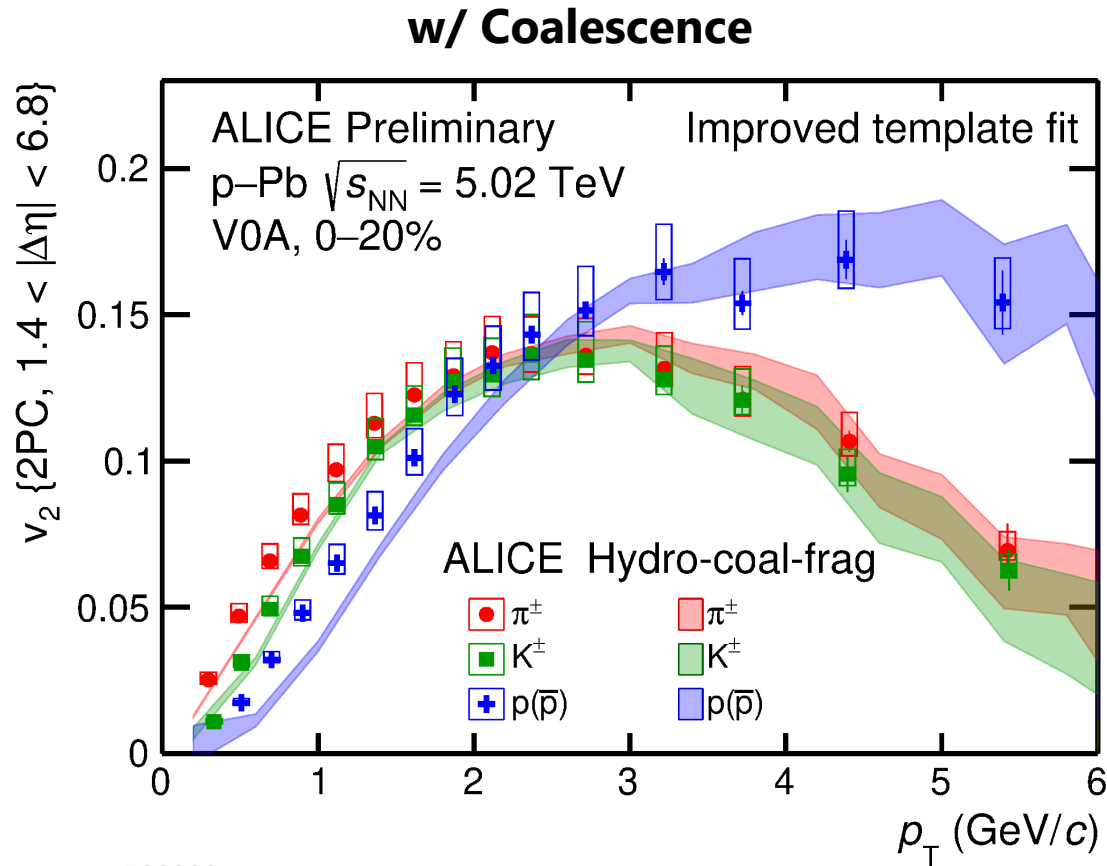
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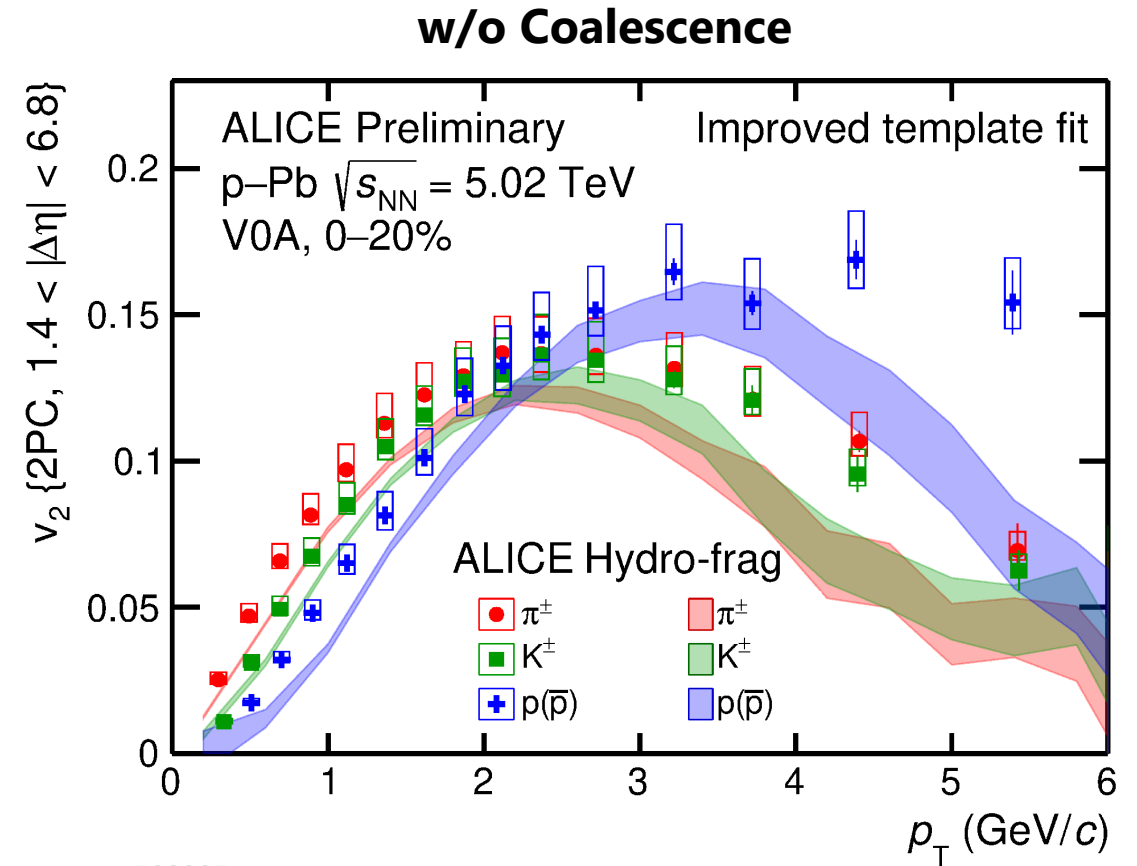
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- v_2 in pp and p-Pb has a similar feature to Pb-Pb
 - Mass ordering at low p_T
 - Baryon/meson grouping at intermediate p_T

Model comparisons of PID v_2 in p-Pb



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- The hydro model with coalescence and jet fragmentation describes the data well (PRL125 7, 072301 (2020)).

☞ Partonic flow in small system

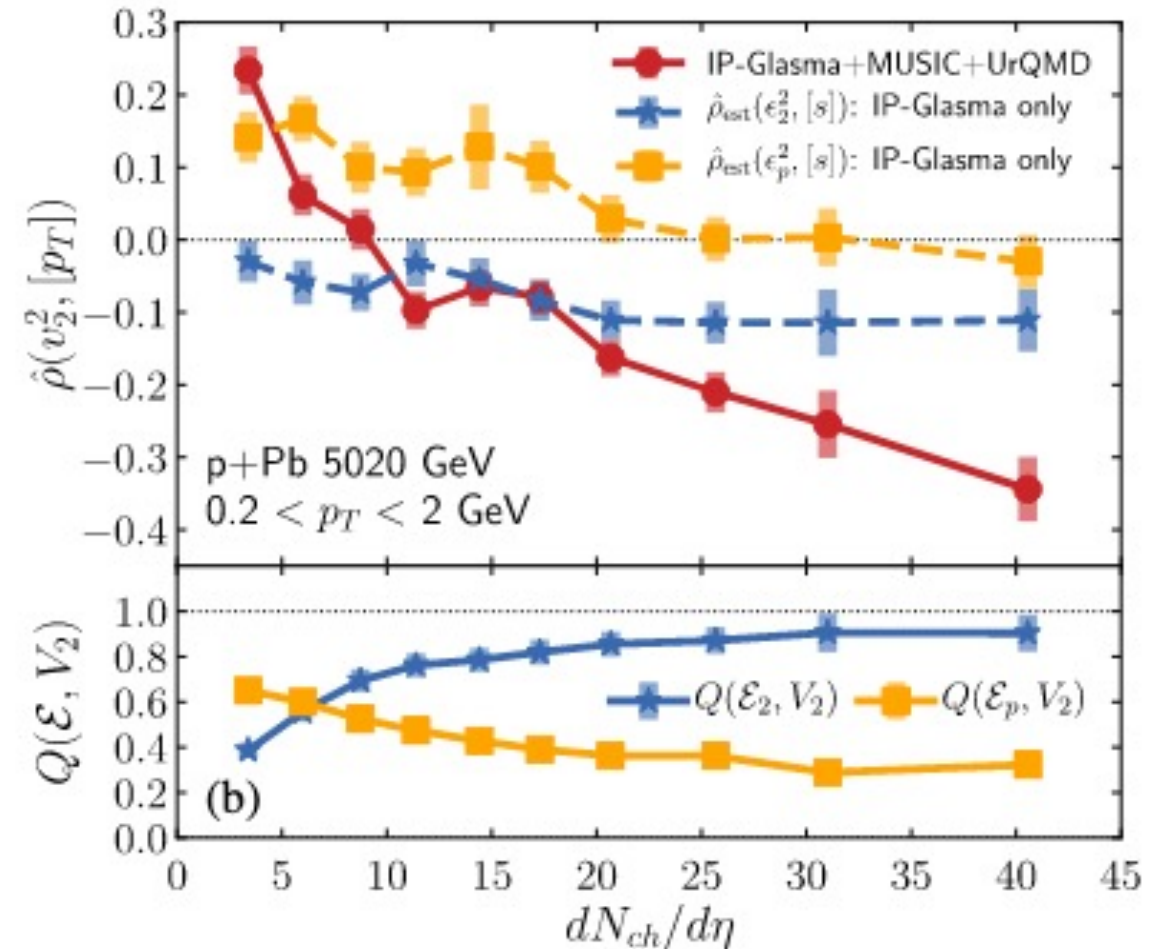
$v_2 - \langle p_T \rangle$ correlation

- At low multiplicity, v_2 is correlated to initial momentum anisotropy rather than initial geometry.
- Correlation between v_2 and $\langle p_T \rangle$

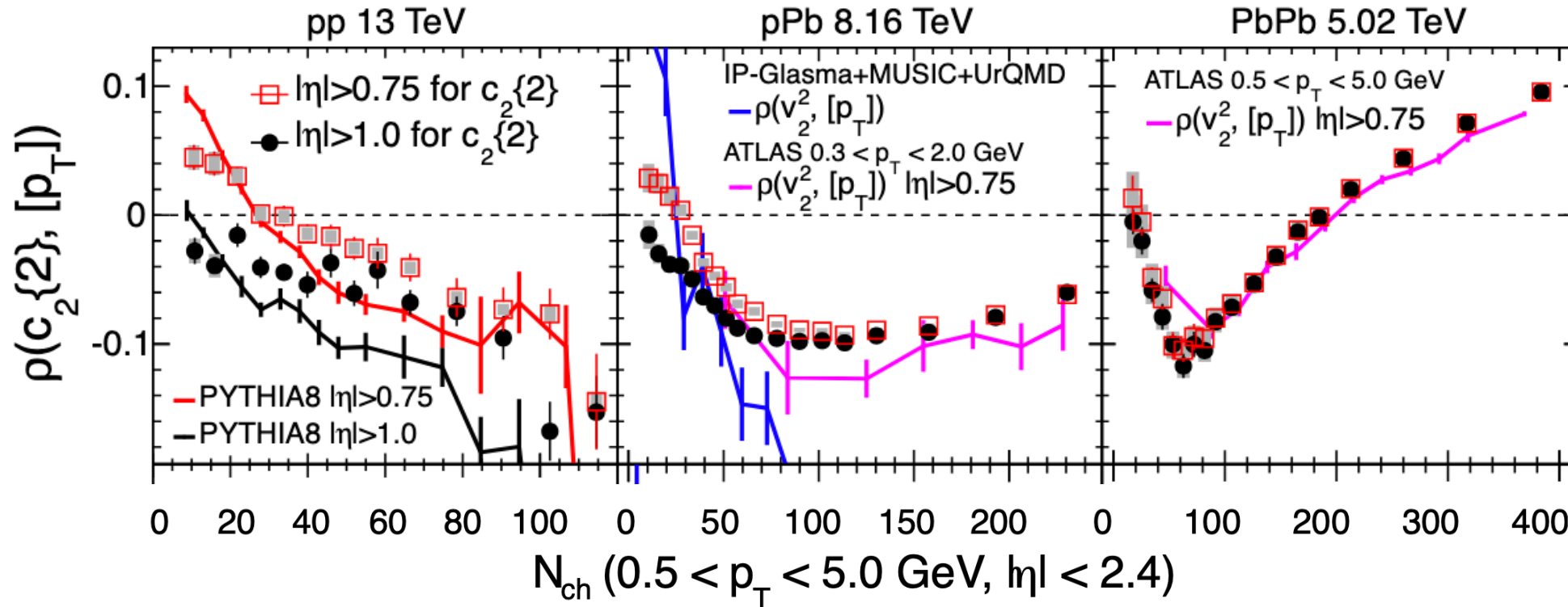
$$\rho_n(v_n^2, [p_T]) = \frac{\text{cov}(v_n^2, [p_T])}{\sqrt{\text{var}(v_n^2)}\sqrt{\text{var}([p_T])}}$$

- Final effect: $v_2 - \langle p_T \rangle$ **correlated**
- Initial effect: $v_2 - \langle p_T \rangle$ **anti-correlate**
- **Sign change** is predicted at $N_{\text{ch}} \sim 10$

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$v_2 - \langle p_T \rangle$ correlation

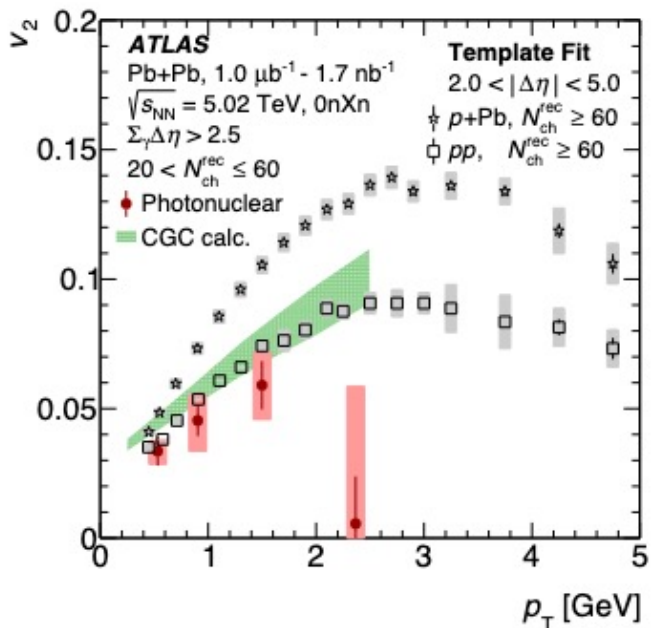


- Sign change of $\rho(c_2\{2\}, [p_T])$ is observed as the model predicted with $|\eta| > 0.75$.
- However, the sign change disappears with a larger rapidity gap.
- Correlations in the initial stage are the short range? (PRD 105,094023 (2022))

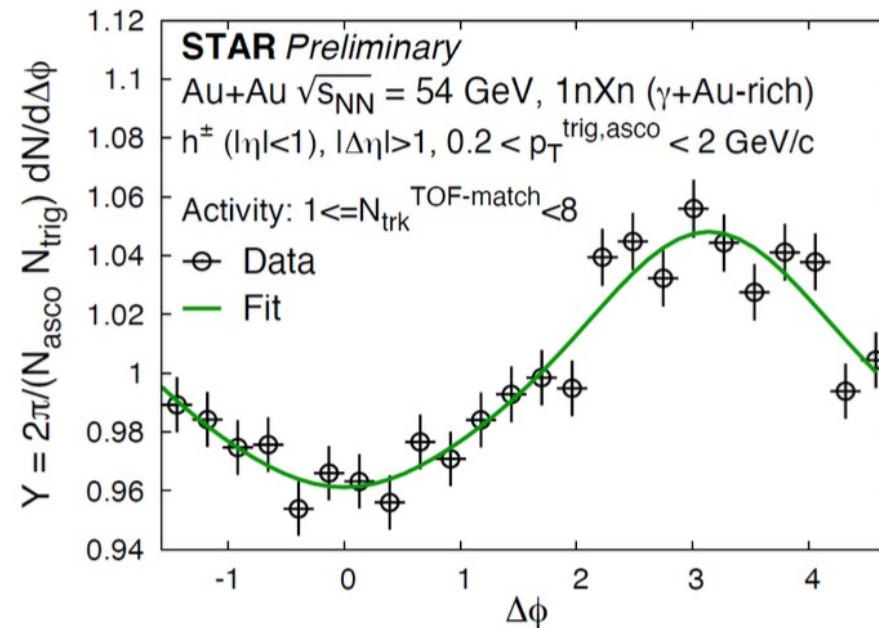
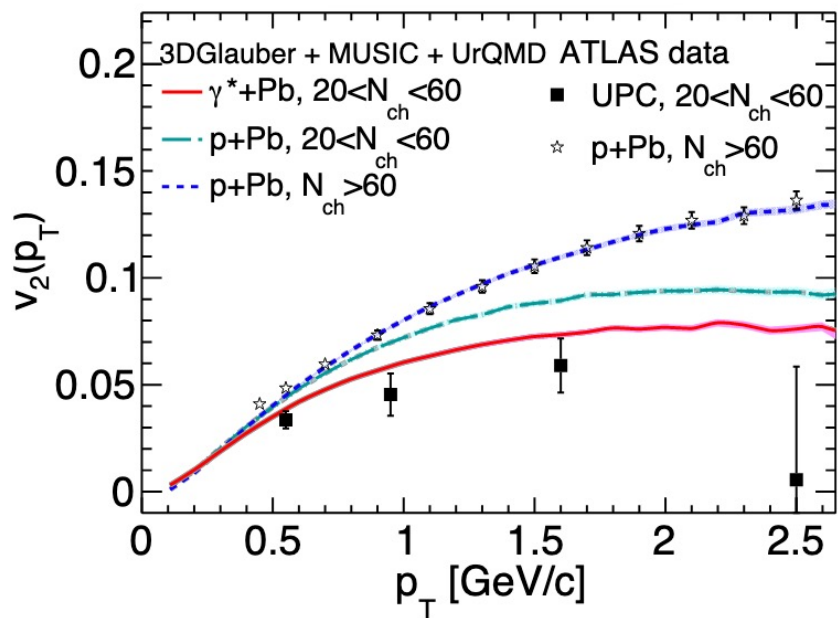
Flow in γ -A

- In UPC A-A collisions, photons coherently emitted from one nuclei interact with the other nuclei.
- Long-range two-particle dihadron correlations are measured in γ -Pb and γ -Au.
- The Initial-only (CGC) and hydro (3DGlauber+MUSIC+UrQMD) models describe v_2 in γ -Pb qualitatively.

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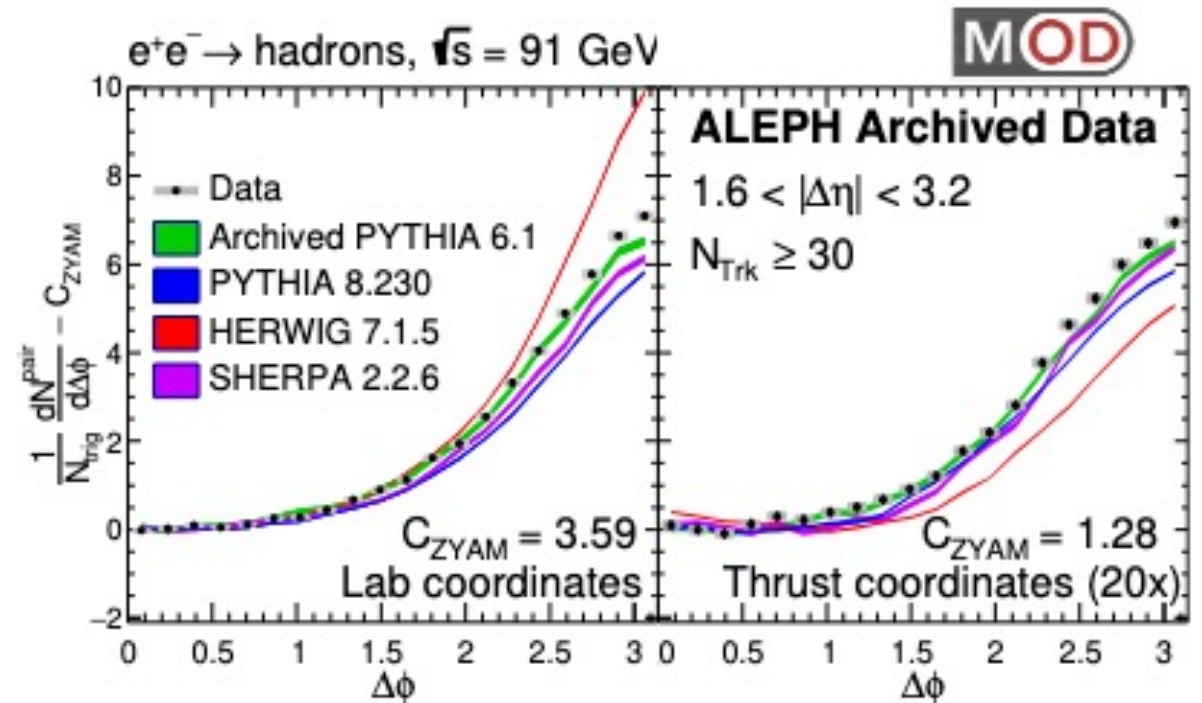
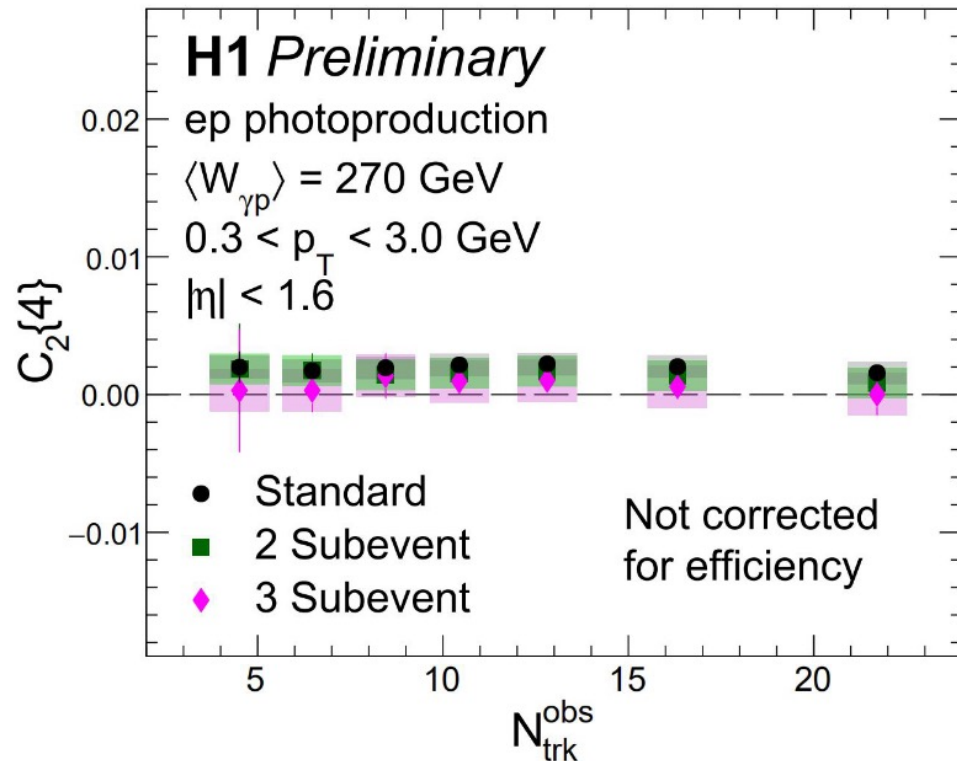
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Collectivity in ep and e^+e^-

- Negative $c_2\{4\}$ is not observed in ep collisions
- Near-side “ridge” is not observed, and PYTHIA reproduces results in e^+e^- collisions.
 - Ridge yield is smaller than pp with more than 3σ in $\langle N \rangle = 10 \sim 20$.
- ☞ No collectivity in ep and e^+e^- collisions.

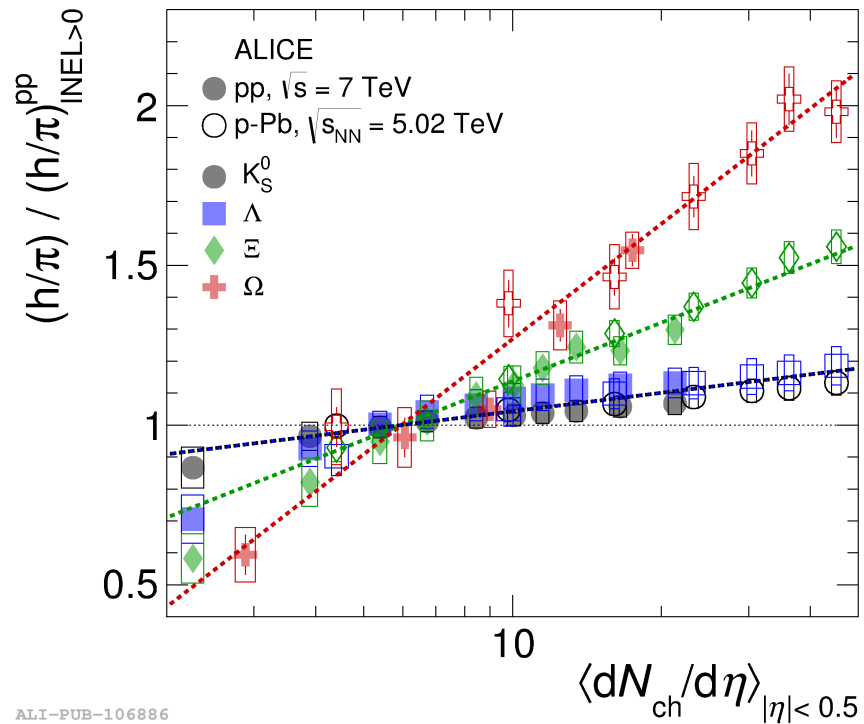
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Particle Production

Strangeness Enhancement

- Smooth transition with multiplicity from small to large system.
- Enhancement is larger for the hadron with larger strangeness.



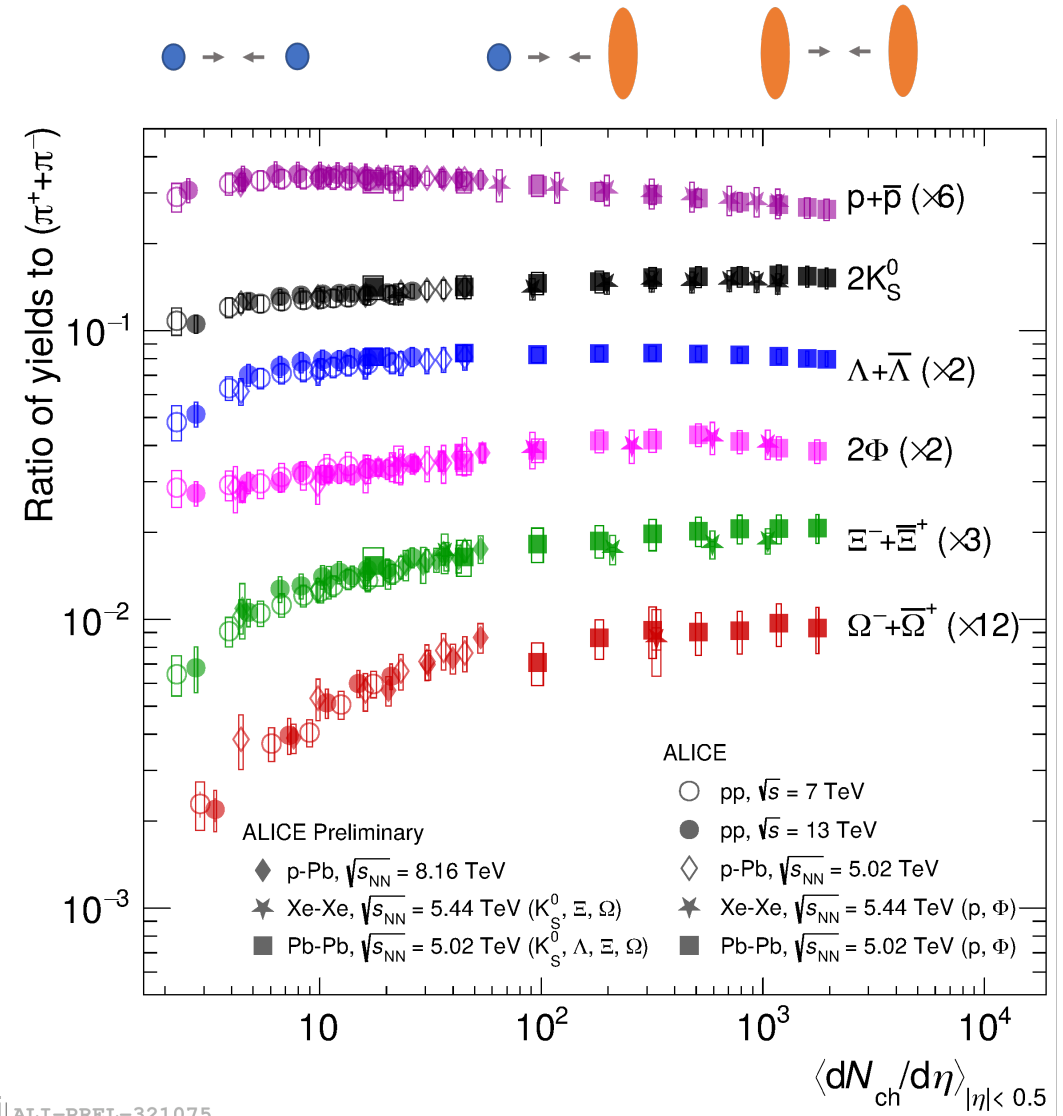
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S=1

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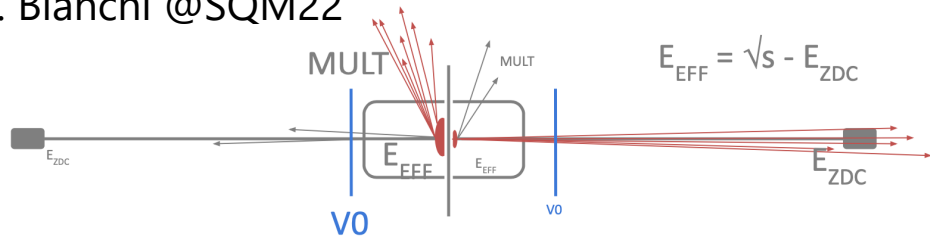


Initial effect for strangeness production

- Is the final particle multiplicity related only to the enhancement of strangeness, or does the initial stage play a role?

The initial stage effect is investigated via effective energy

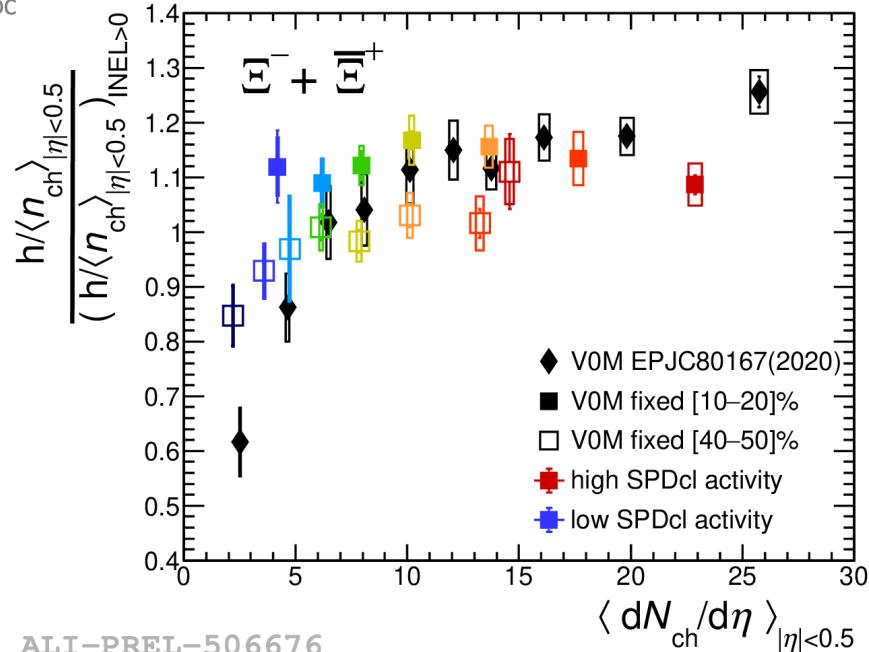
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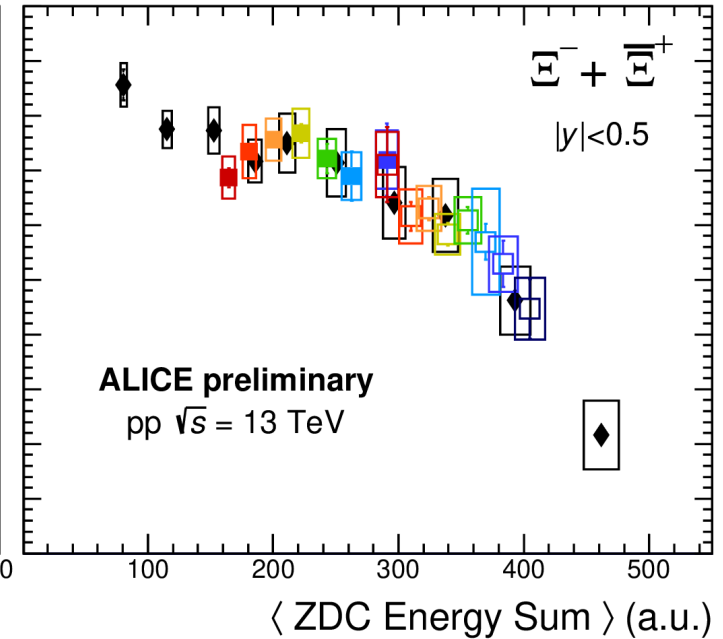
$$E_{EFF} \simeq \sqrt{s} - \langle \text{ZDC energy sum} \rangle$$

Larger E_{EFF} \rightarrow

Smaller E_{EFF} \rightarrow



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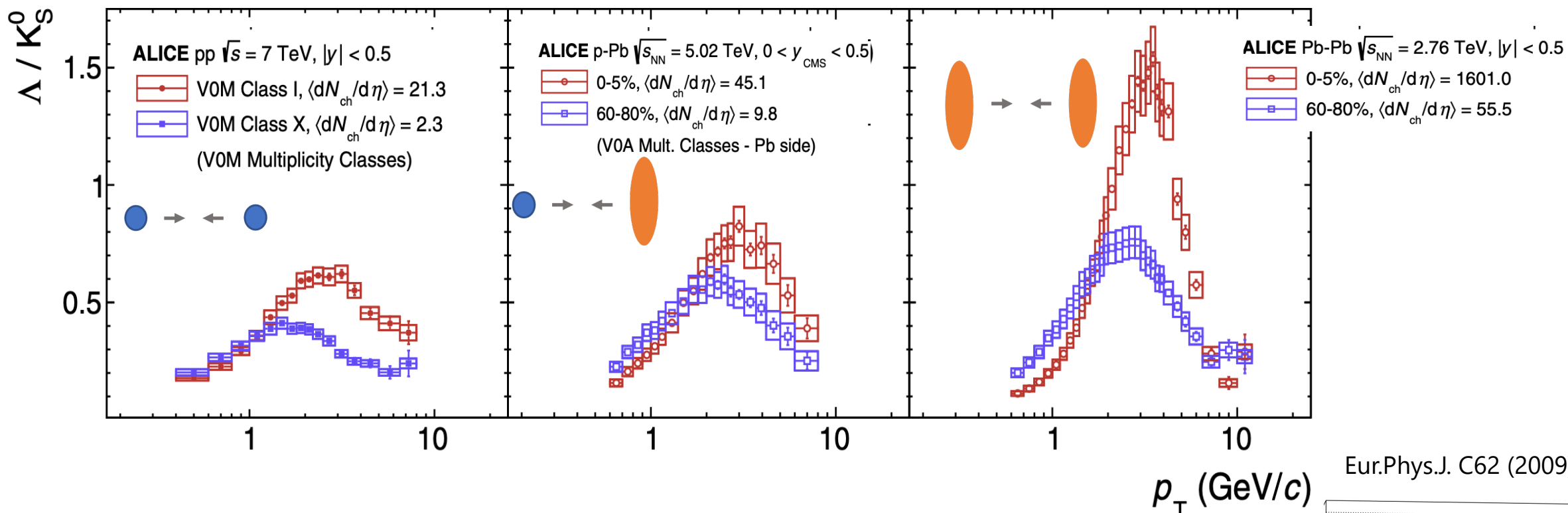


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The initial stage plays an important role in the strangeness enhancement.

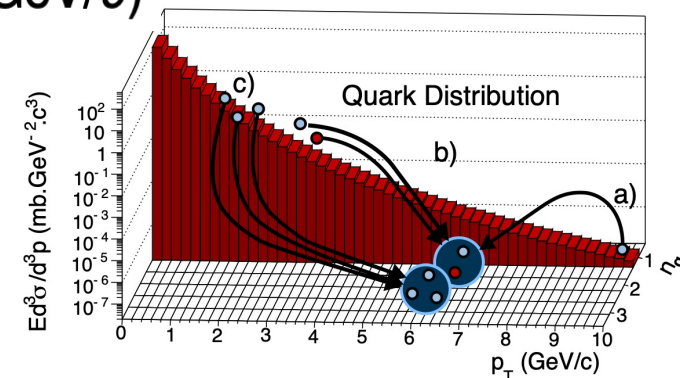
Baryon-meson ratio

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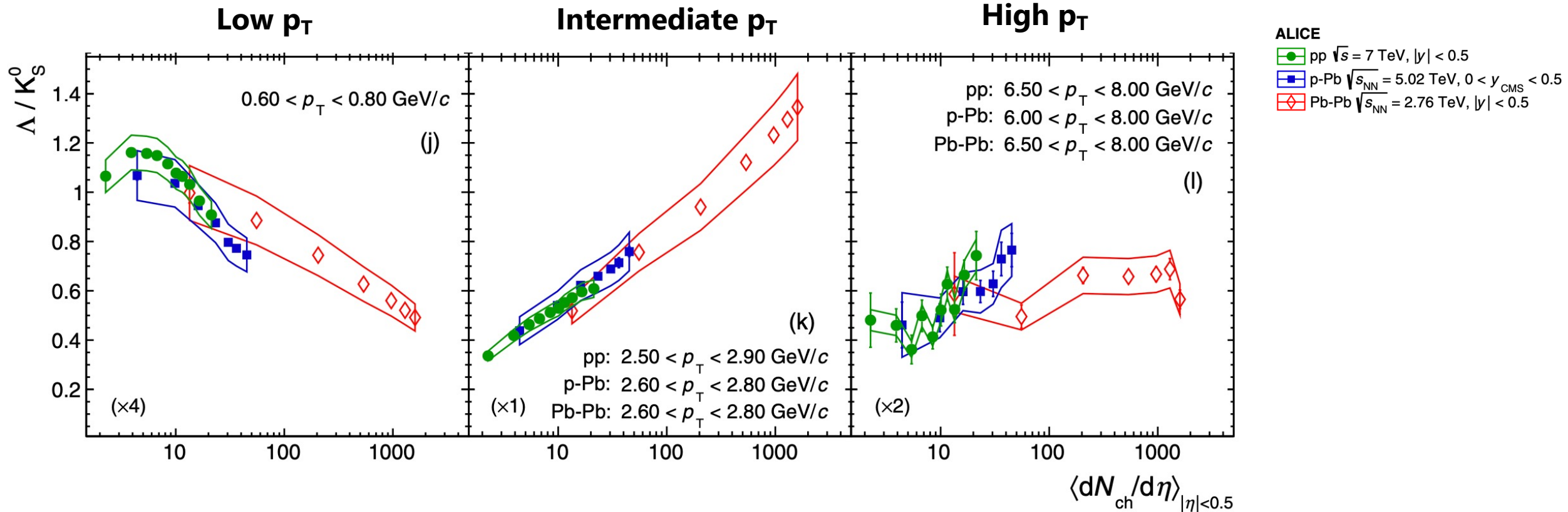
- Enhancement of baryon to meson ratio is observed at intermediate p_T in pp, p-Pb.

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Baryon-meson ratio

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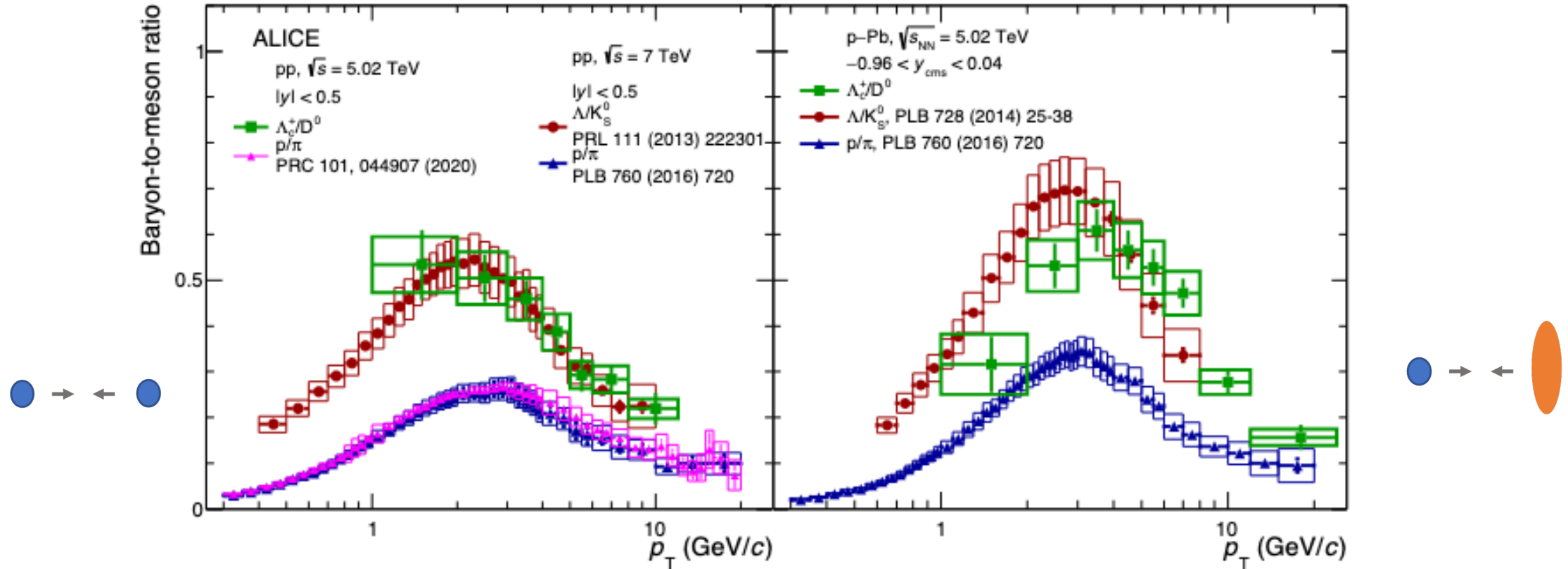


- Smooth transition from pp to Pb–Pb.
- Indication of common hadronization mechanism.

Hard Probes

Λ_c^+/D^0 ratio compared to Λ/K_S^0

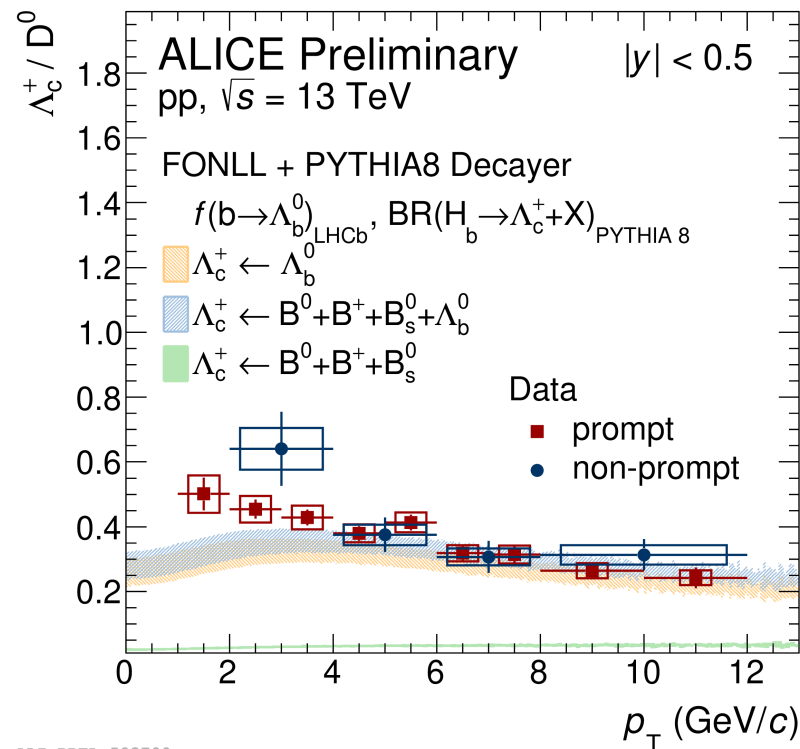
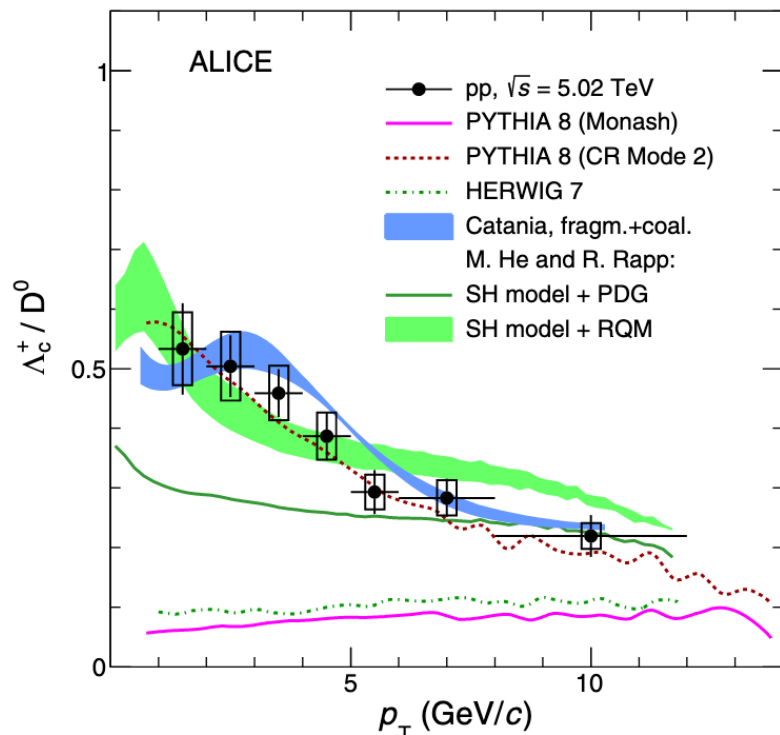
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- Λ_c^+/D^0 is comparable with Λ/K_S^0
- A hint of common production mechanism for light- and charm- hadrons

HF baryon-meson ratio vs models

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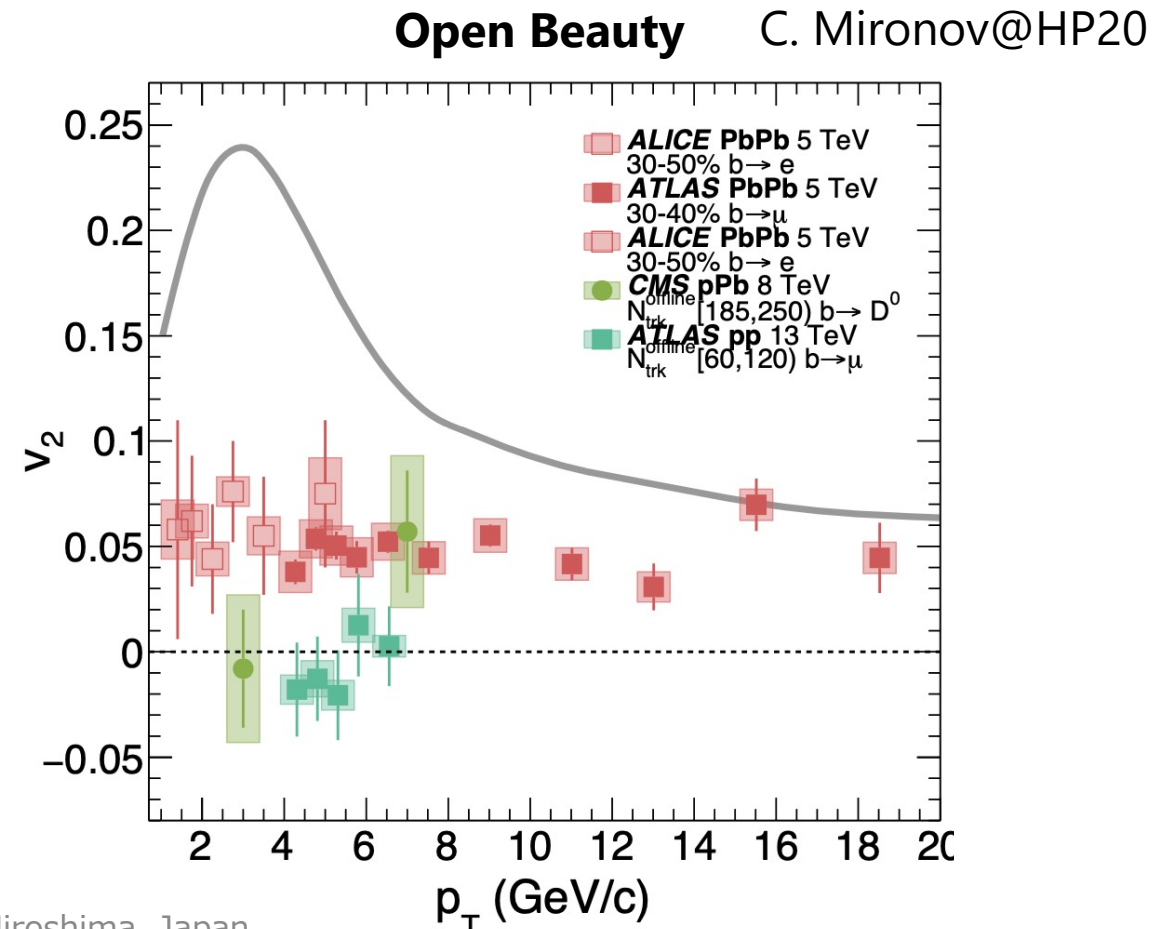
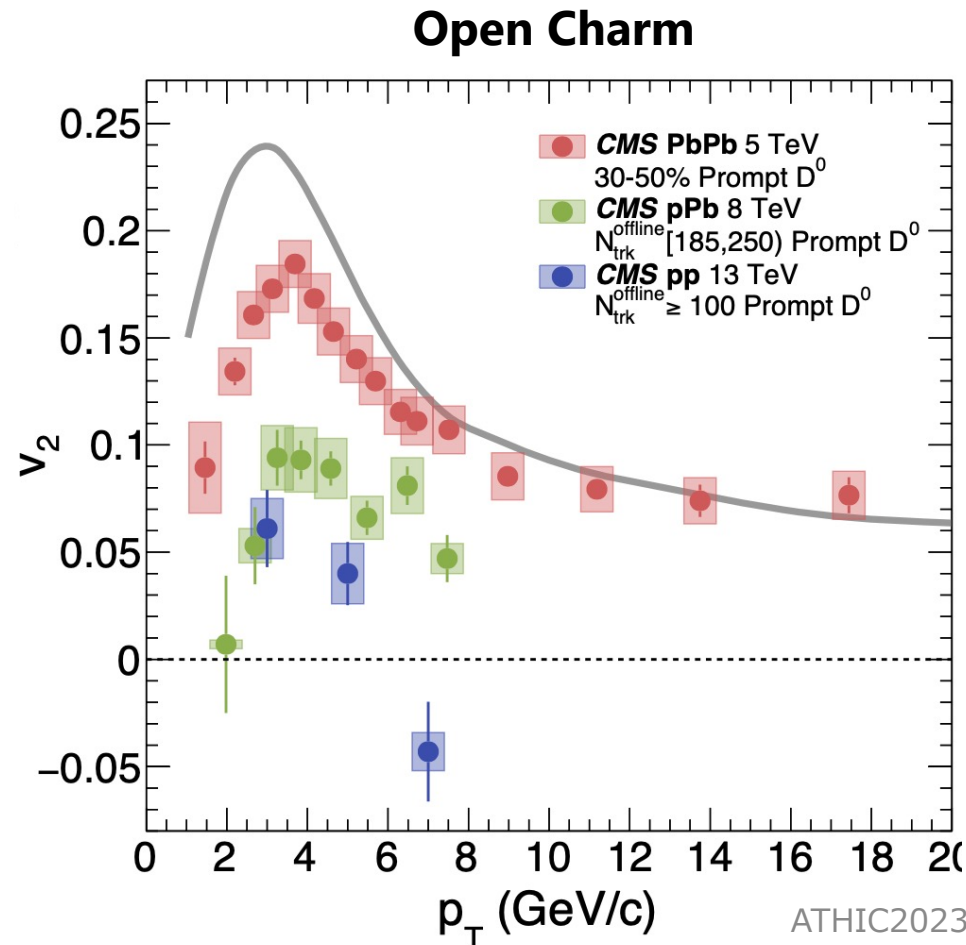


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- Λ_c^+ / D^0 is enhanced from simple fragmentation model
- Models with color reconnection or quark coalescence describe the data qualitatively
- Non-prompt Λ_c^+ / D^0 is also enhanced at low p_T
 - Precision measurements of beauty baryons in Run3+Run4

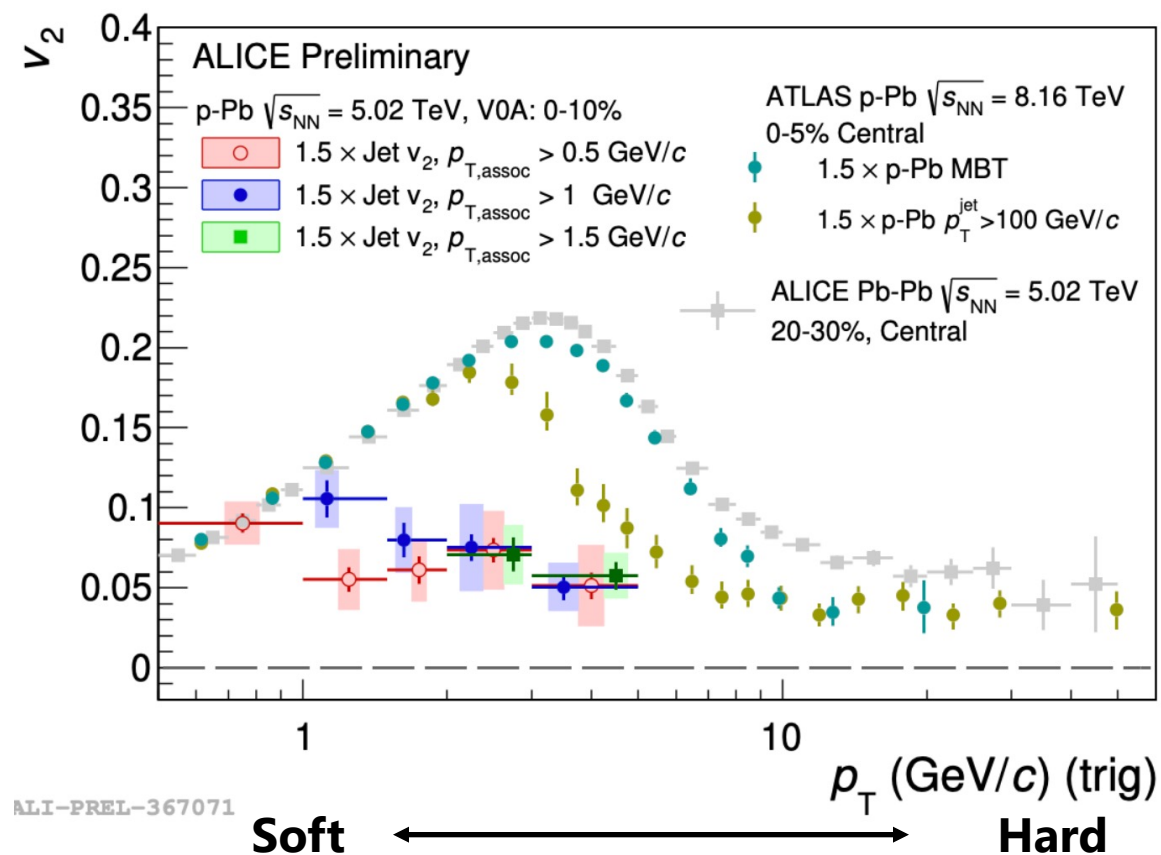
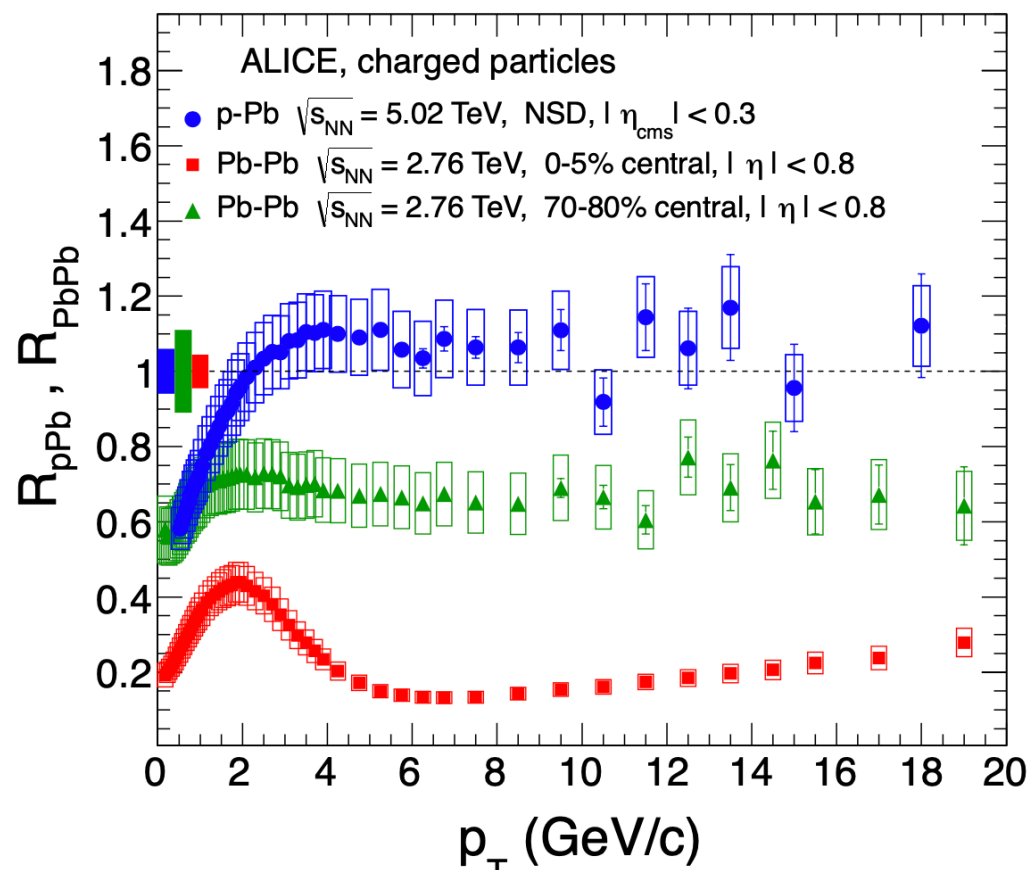
Open HF Flow

- Open charm flow is observed from small system to large system, while open beauty flow is observed in Pb–Pb but not in small system.
- ☞ A hint of "Onset" between charm and beauty processes in small system?



v_2 at high p_T

- v_2 at high p_T is due to jet energy loss in Pb–Pb collisions.
- $R_{pA} \sim 1$ and non-zero high p_T and jet particle v_2 in p–Pb collisions.
 - Indication of additional contribution to energy loss



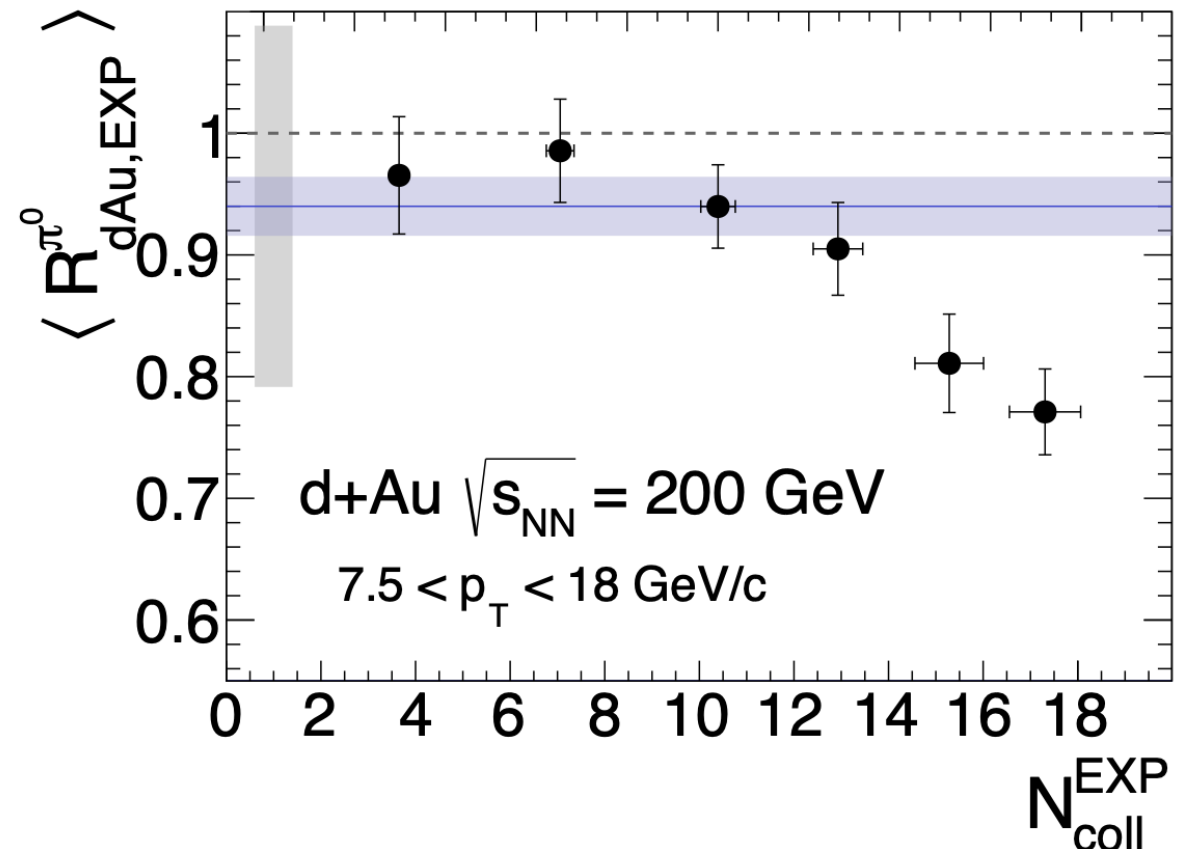
Energy loss in small system

- High- p_T π^0 R_{pA} using direct γ in d–Au collisions vs N_{coll}
 - Significant suppression at $N_{\text{coll}} > 14$

$$\frac{R_{dAu,EXP}^{\pi^0}(0\%-5\%)}{R_{dAu,EXP}^{\pi^0}(0\%-100\%)} = 0.806 \pm 0.042$$

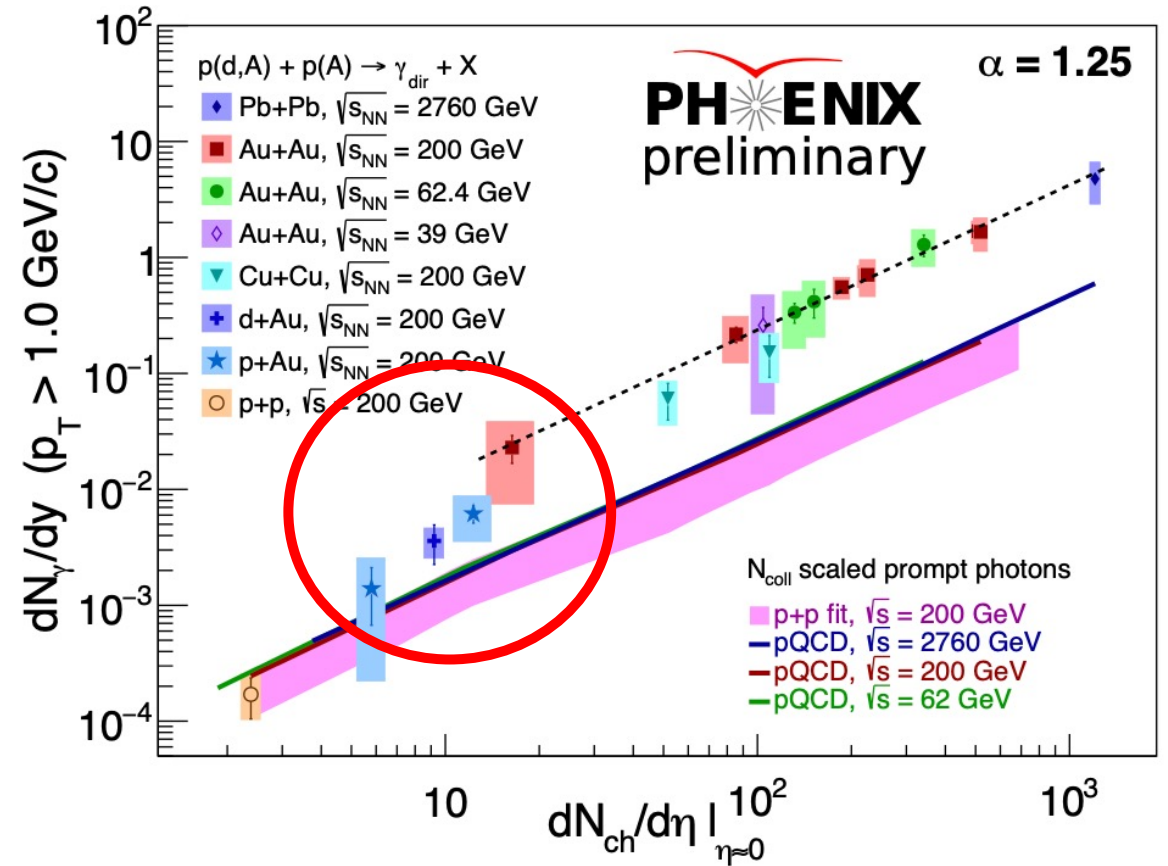
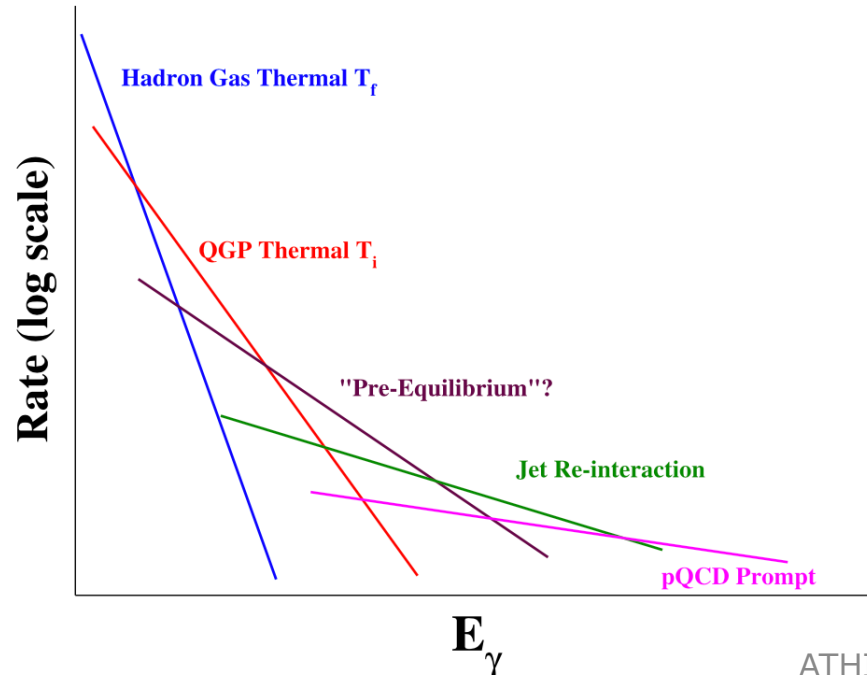
- ☞ Hint of Energy loss in QGP in small system?

arxiv:2303.12899



Thermal photon

- If the system is thermalized, photons from thermal radiation are emitted.
- Excess for pQCD calculation at $N_{ch} > 10$ in small system at RHIC
- A Hint of thermalization in small system?



Future measurements:

PHENIX: d+Au (2016) BES, $^3\text{He}+\text{Au}$ (2014)

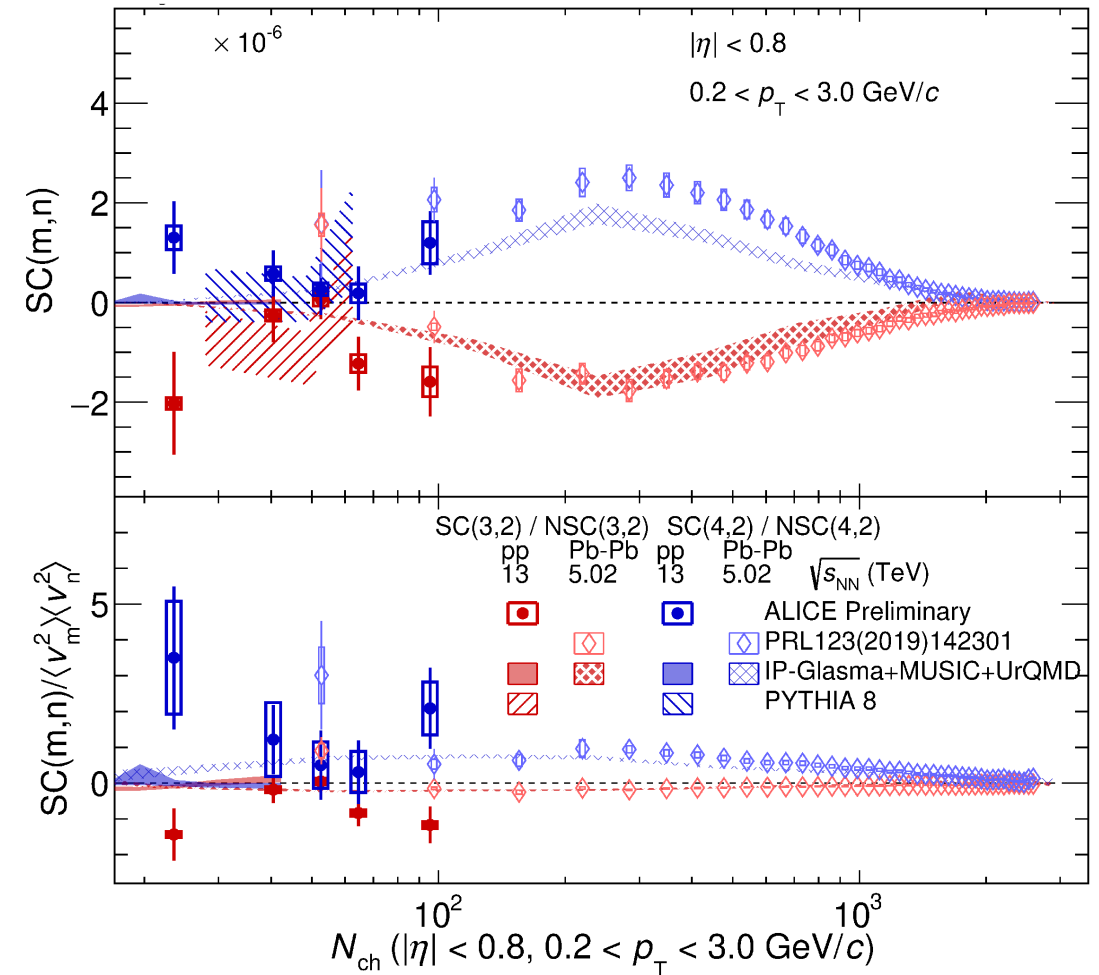
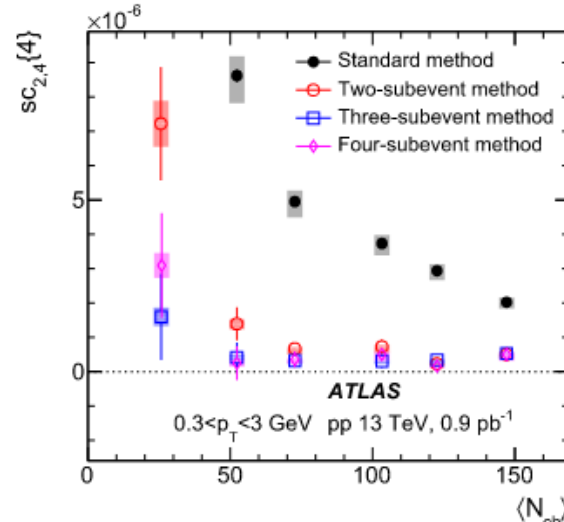
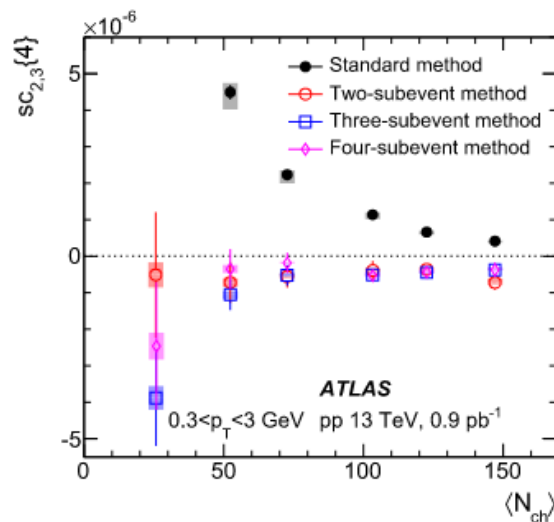
ALICE: HM and MB pp

- Many systematic measurements to understand small system
 - The final state effect is essential to describe the flow measurement in small system, however, the initial state is also important.
 - Hints of unique features of small system
 - non-zero v_2 is observed in γ -Pb collisions
 - No collectivity is observed in much smaller systems such as ep and ee.
 - Charm v_2 is observed and zero beauty v_2 in small system.
 - Energy loss signal in d–Au
- Future measurements:
 - Precise measurements in Run3+4 at the LHC
 - charm and beauty hadron
 - Direct photon
 - O–O collision in Run3 at the LHC
 - Simple initial geometry and similar multiplicity to p–Pb
 - Energy loss
 - HF flow in small system by sPHENIX at RHIC

Backup

Symmetric cumulant

- Correlation between different flow harmonics
 - SC(4,2): Sensitive to the initial condition and the medium evolution
 - SC(3,2): Sensitive to the initial condition
- Same sign in pp and Pb–Pb collisions
 - Non-flow subtraction is very sensitive



Long-range correlations in γ -p

- Long-range two-particle correlations are measured in γ -p events in UPC p-Pb collisions at 8.16 TeV without low multiplicity subtraction
- At low p_T , v_2 is reproduced by PYTHIA and HIJING, which have no collective effect.

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