

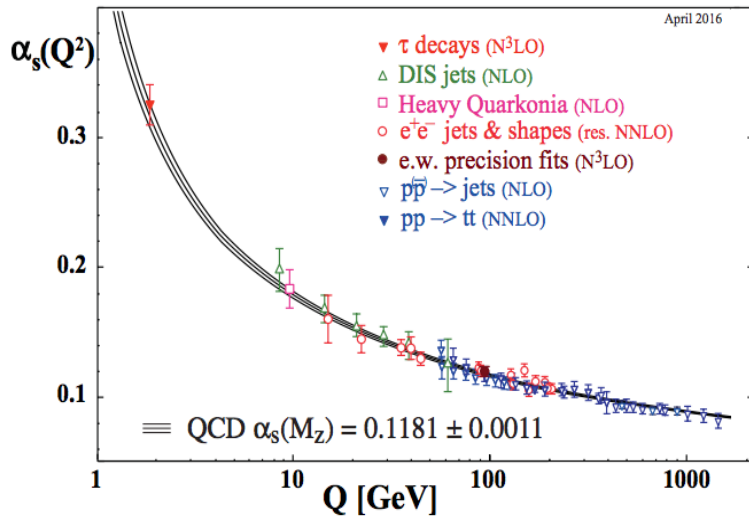
Hadron production in heavy ion collisions

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... and down to
small systems!

QCD and light flavors

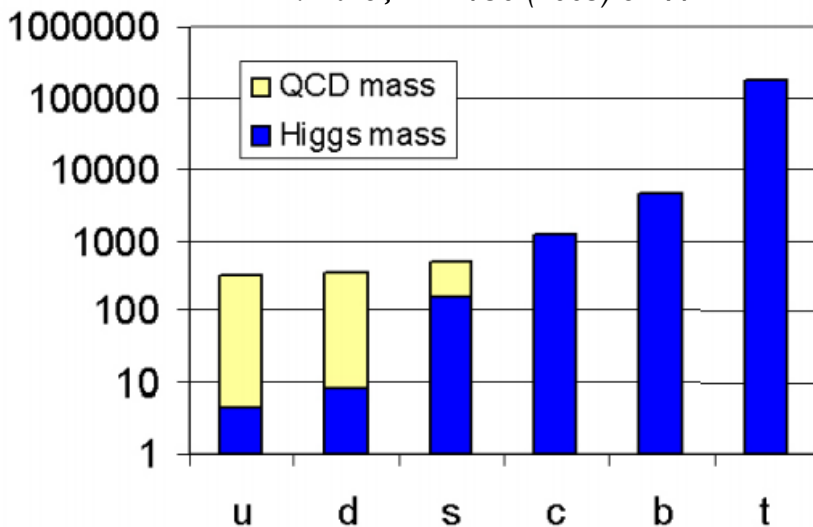
C. Patrignani et al. (PDG), Chin. Phys. C, 40, 100001 (2016)



Confining property of QCD \Rightarrow colorless hadrons
 Asymptotic freedom \Rightarrow deconfinement, QGP
 Confinement and chiral transitions both around the same T_c

Lattice QCD locates the **phase transition** at
 $T_c \sim 145 - 164 \text{ MeV}$
 [A. Bazavov et al., PRD 90 (2014) 094503]

B. Muller, NPA 750 (2005) 84-97



Light flavor (LF) \equiv composed by **u, d** and **s**

$$\left. \begin{aligned} m_u &\approx 2.2 \text{ MeV} \\ m_d &\approx 4.7 \text{ MeV} \\ m_s &\approx 96 \text{ MeV} \end{aligned} \right\} < \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll m_c \approx 1.3 \text{ GeV}$$

u, d, s can be **thermally produced in QGP**,
 as $m_{u,d,s} < T_c$

(Some of) The fundamental questions

1. Can we produce **QGP** in AA collisions? And in pp, pA?
What is the smallest system where we can produce QGP?
2. Can we measure the **chemical freeze-out** temperature T_{ch} ?
Do all (light) flavours freeze-out at the same temperature T_{ch} ?
4. How does the **hadronic phase** affect the measured observables?
5. How are **composite "fragile" objects** such as anti-nuclei formed in AA?

Questions addressed by a comprehensive set of measurements of
identified particle production in all collision systems:

$\pi^\pm, K^\pm, K^0_S, \rho, \Lambda, \Xi, \Lambda, \rho, K^{*0}, \phi, \Sigma^{*\pm}, \Lambda^*, \Xi^{*0},$
(anti)d, (anti) ^3H , (anti) ^3He , (anti) ^4He , (anti) $^3_\Lambda\text{H}$

It's all about production mechanisms

Thermal production

Measure p_T -integrated yields and particle ratios

Hydrodynamics (flow)

Fragmentation +
recombination

Measure p_T spectra, mean p_T , p_T -differential ratios,
flow harmonics, multi-particle correlations

Composite objects
(Anti-)(hyper-)nuclei

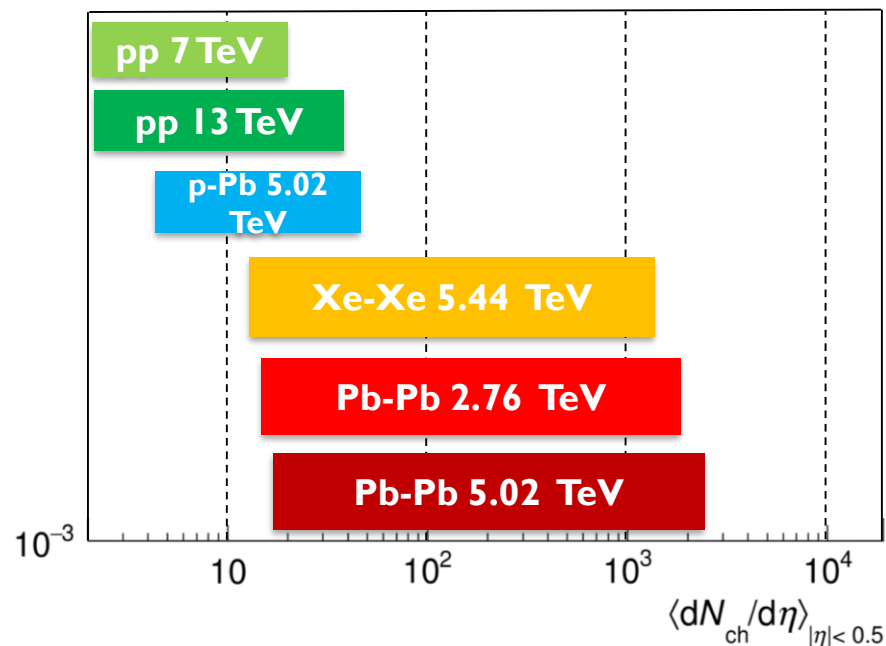
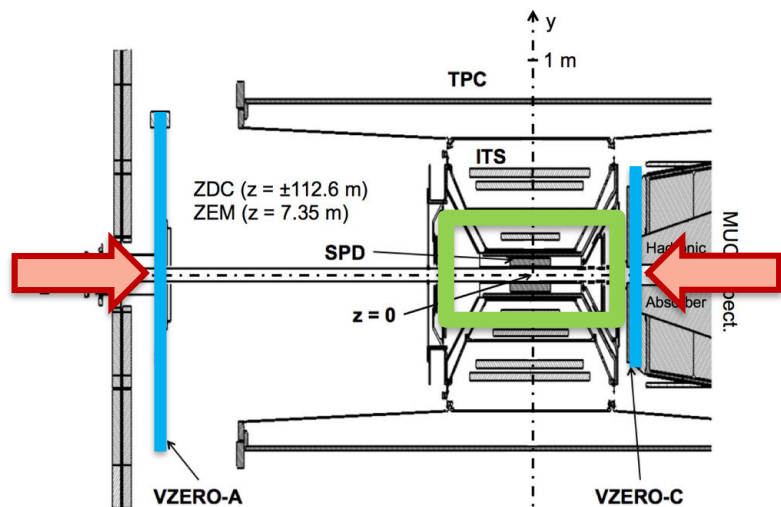
Strangeness

System size \Leftrightarrow charged particle multiplicity

Event multiplicity/centrality **classes** defined “slicing” on the signal amplitude measured in **the forward region** / detectors

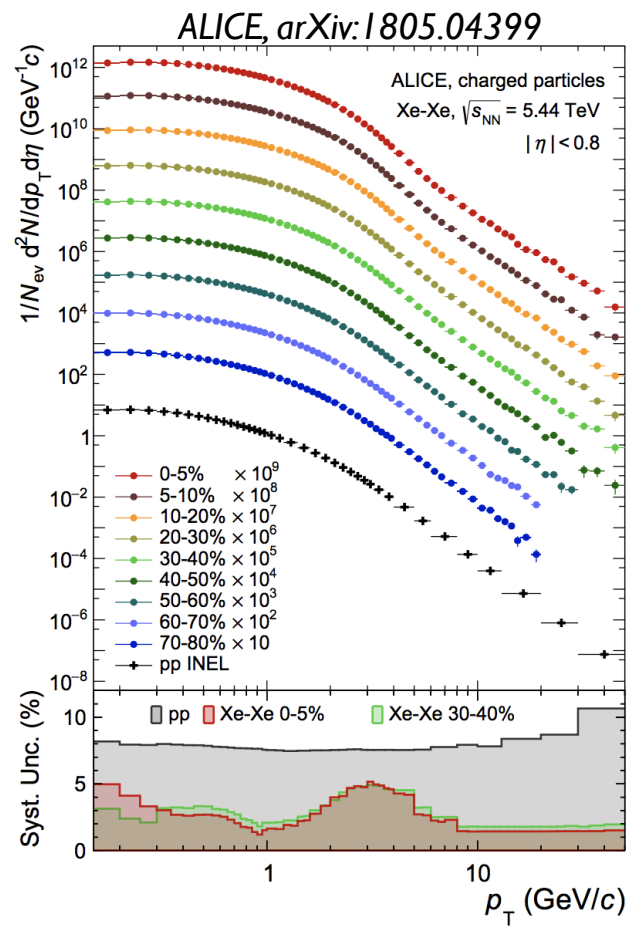
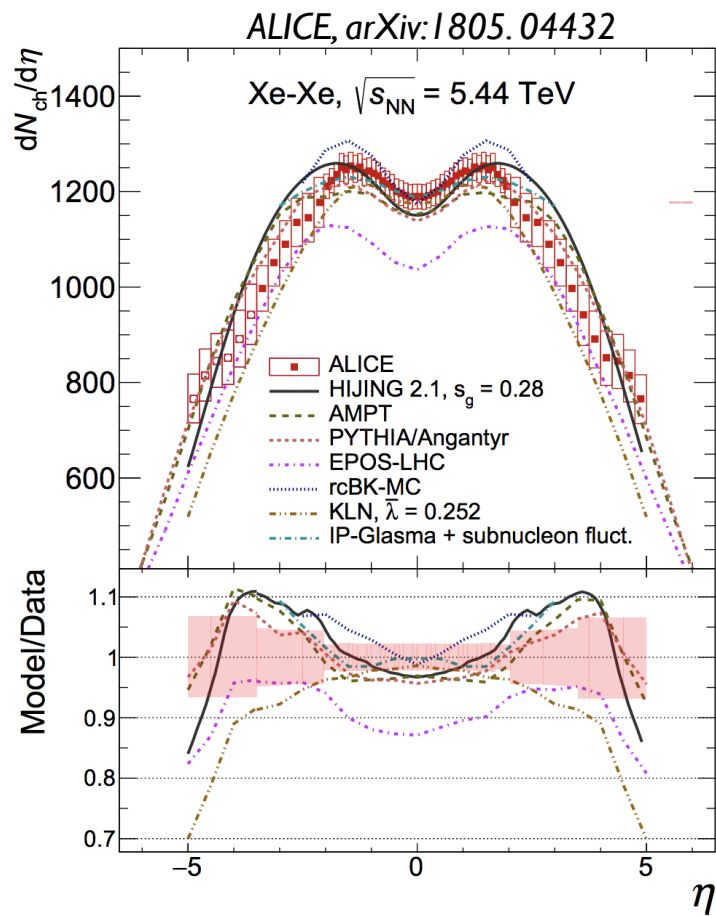
(In ALICE, in **V0 scintillators**, placed at $2.8 < \eta < 5.1$ (V0A) and $-3.7 < \eta < -1.7$ (V0C))

$\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$, N_{ch} measured in **at mid-rapidity** \rightarrow avoid “auto-biases” in multiplicity determination, especially in small systems



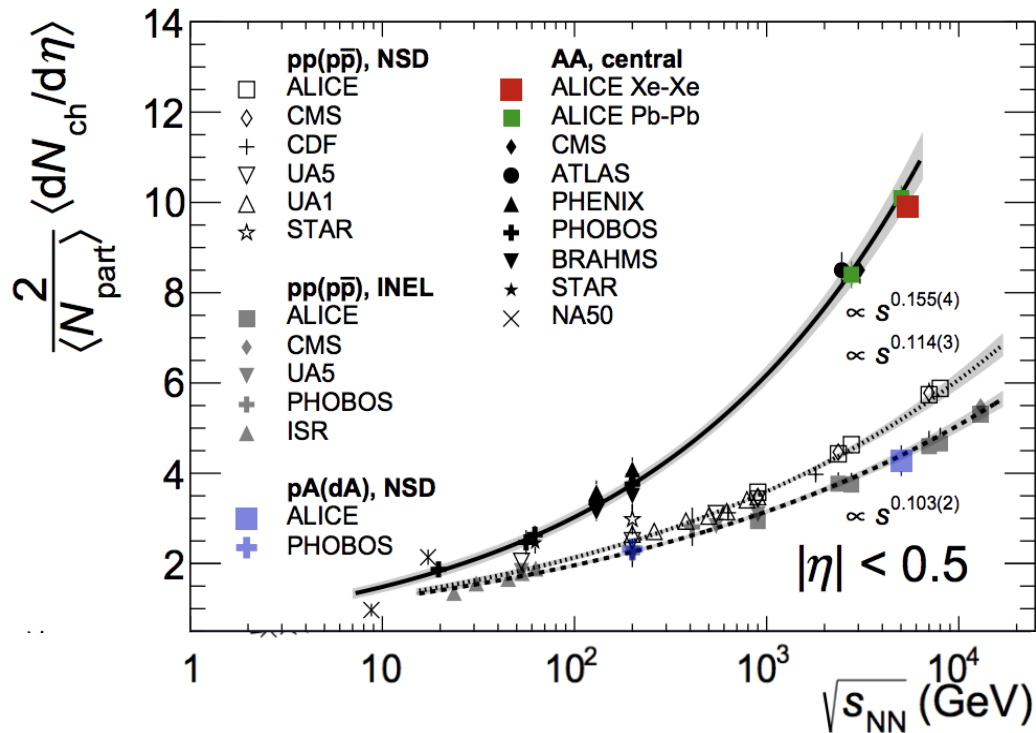
New data in Xe-Xe: test system dependence

A short (~6h) run with ^{129}Xe at $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 5.44 \text{ TeV}$ in Nov. 2017
 ^{129}Xe is smaller nucleus, different geometry wrt ^{208}Pb



Charged particle production in AA collisions

ALICE, arXiv:1805.04432



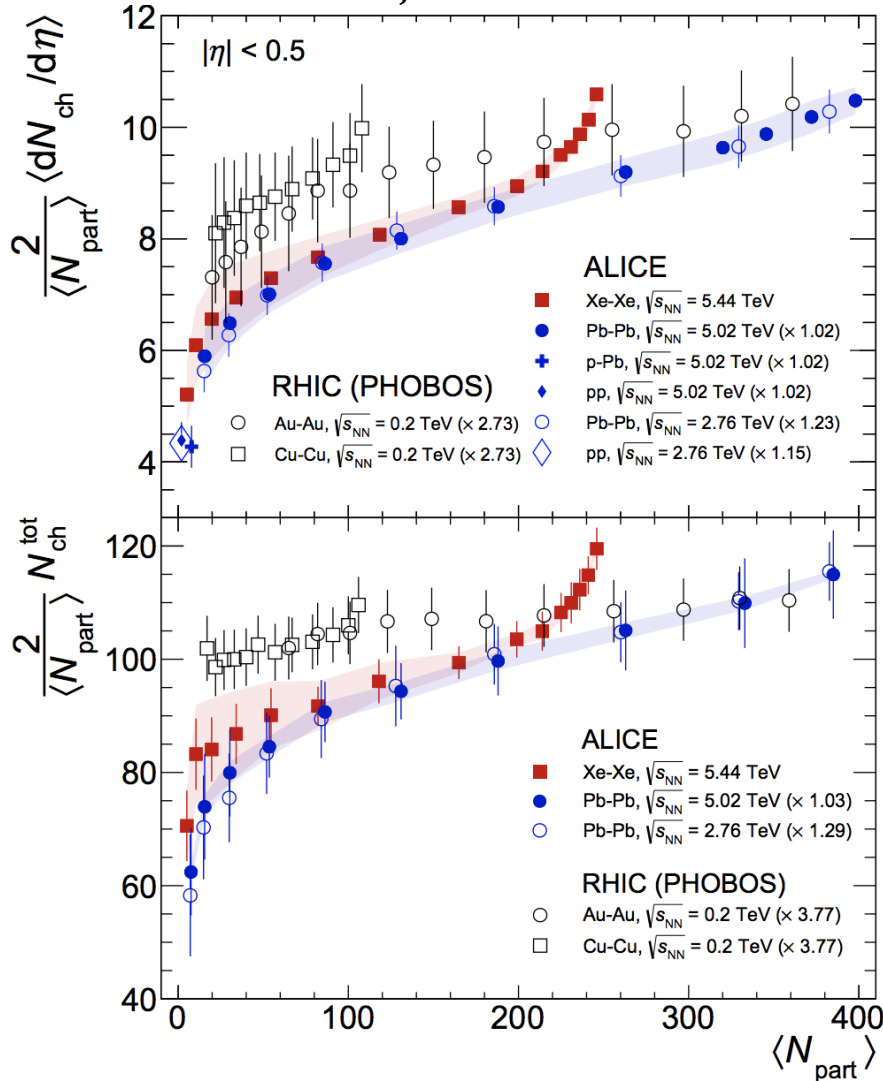
In Pb-Pb $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle / \langle N_{part} \rangle$ increases with \sqrt{s} following a steeper power law than pp

About **20% increase from 2.76 TeV to 5.02 TeV** (similar $\langle N_{part} \rangle$)

Similar $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle / N_{part}$ in most central **Xe-Xe** and Pb-Pb (little difference in energy)

Xe-Xe vs Pb-Pb

ALICE, arXiv:1805.04432



Consistency between **Pb-Pb** at different energies

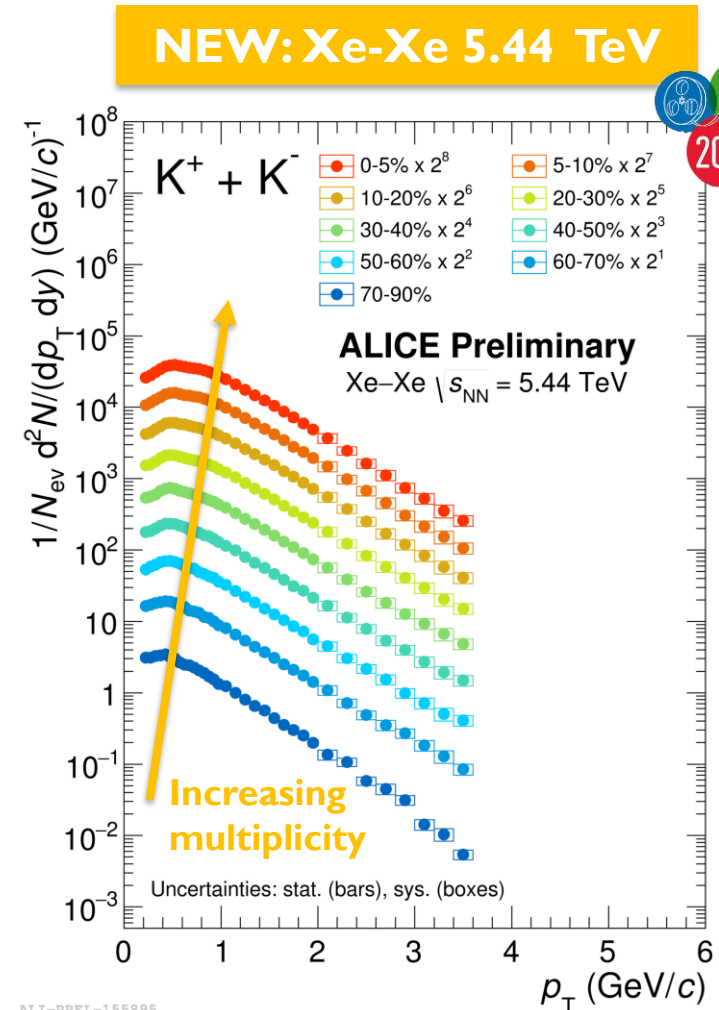
Scaling violations:

- N_{part} scaling violated
- Central collisions of medium-size nuclei (**Xe**) produce more particles per N_{part} than mid-central collisions of large nuclei (**Pb**) at the same N_{part}
→ to be understood

π, K, p spectra in AA collisions

$\pi K p$ constitute the bulk of particle production \rightarrow **fundamental input!**

- p_T spectra:
 - Compare to hydrodynamic models
 - Quantify radial flow
 - Discuss flow effect vs recombination at intermediate p_T
- p_T -integrated particle ratios
 - Study hadro-chemistry and extract chemical freeze-out temperature
- Nuclear modification factors (R_{AA}, R_{pA})
- Reference for resonance and nuclei production studies



Also π, K, p, ϕ, K^* in Xe-Xe
(see backup)

“First-order” look at spectral shapes: $\langle p_T \rangle$

First-moment of the distribution provides first-order characterization of spectral shapes

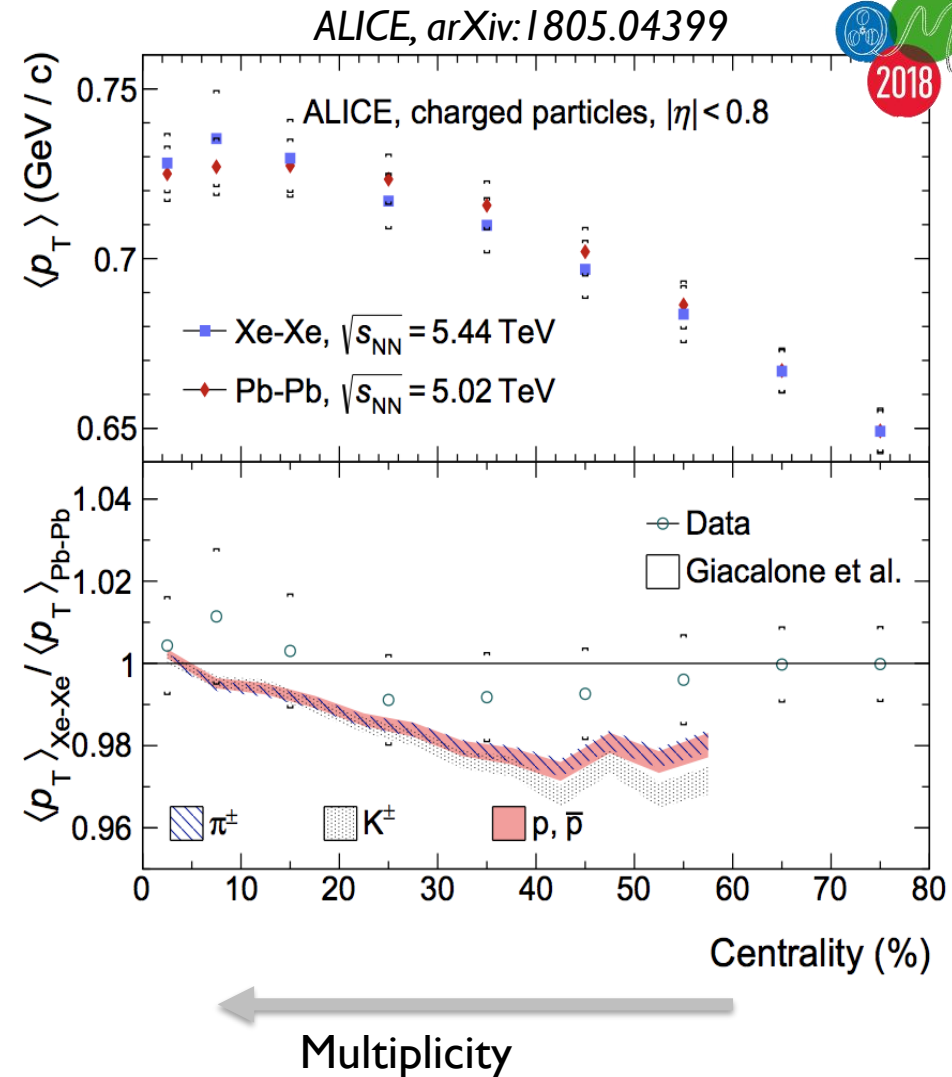
→ “**day-1**” benchmark for models

Hydrodynamics predicts

[G. Giacalone et al., PRC 97, 034904 (2018)]

- weak dependence on centrality in AA collisions
- small difference between Xe-Xe and Pb-Pb, O(3%)
- mass scaling of $\langle p_T \rangle$

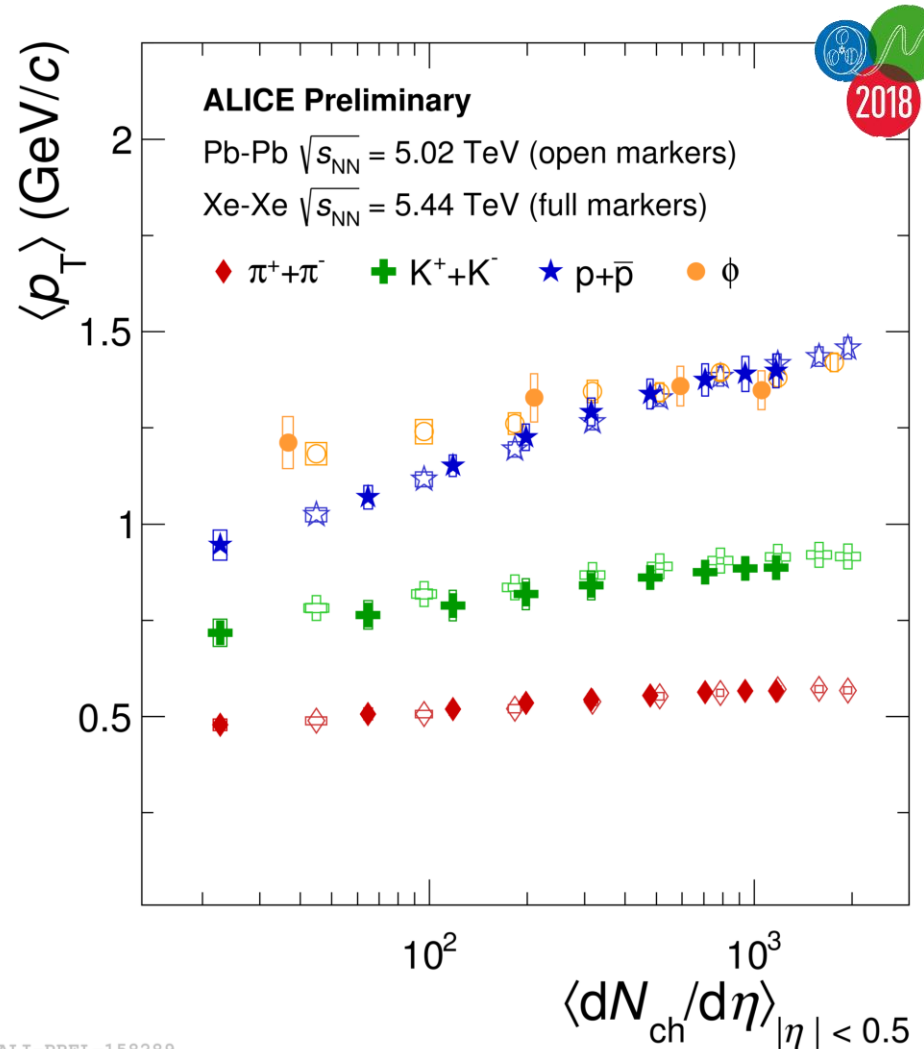
→ New data in Xe-Xe for **charged hadrons** show consistency with Pb-Pb and scaling of charged hadron production with charged particle multiplicity



$\langle p_T \rangle$ of identified hadrons – Pb-Pb, Xe-Xe

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consistent between Xe-Xe and Pb-Pb
at similar multiplicities

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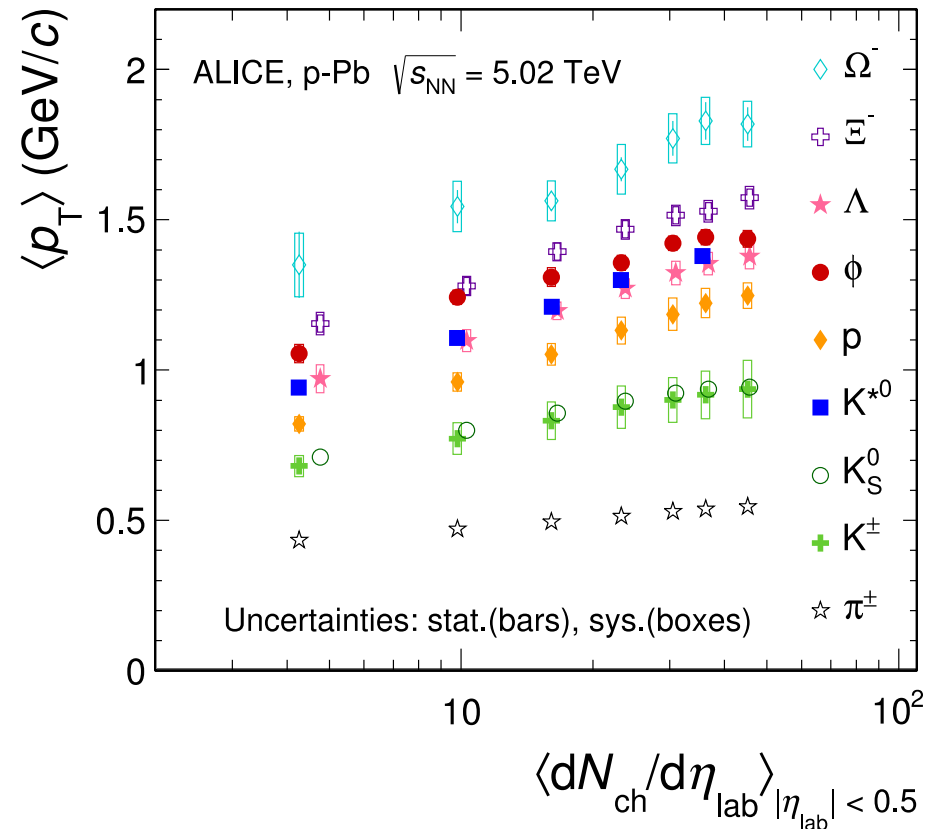
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ALICE, EPJ C 76 (2016) 245



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$\langle p_T \rangle$ of identified hadrons - pp

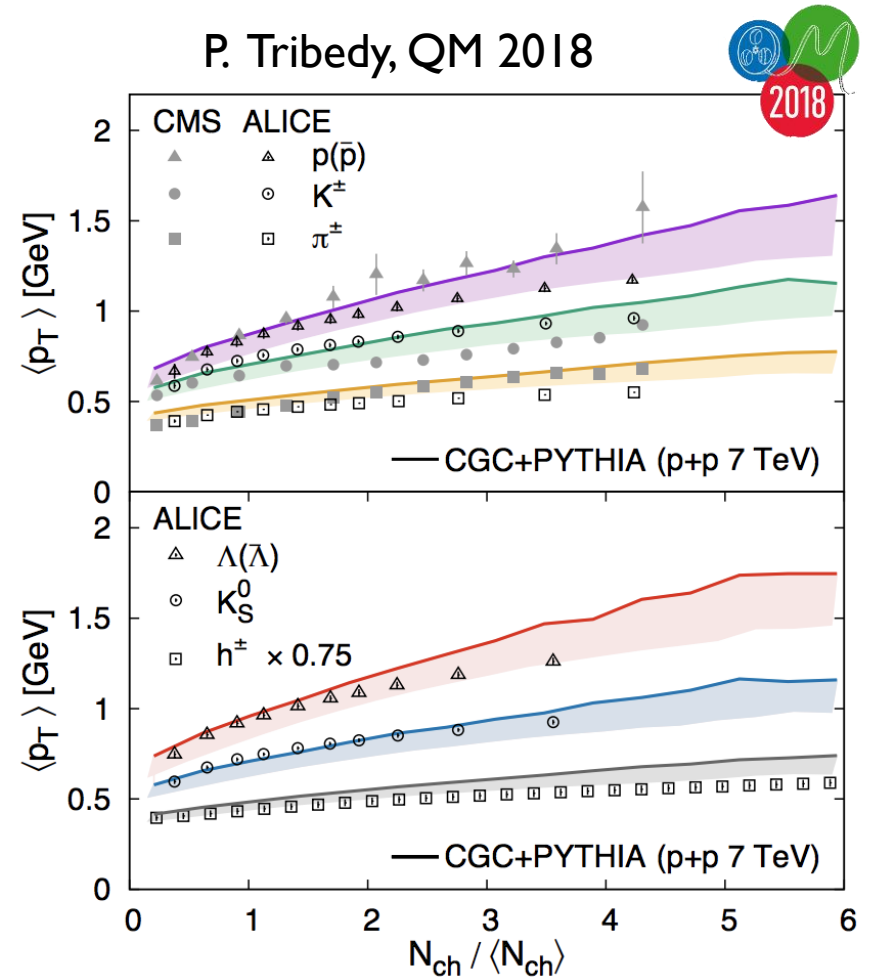
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BUT also models with initial stage effects (e.g. CGC + PYTHIA) can reproduce the mass ordering (also for v_2 !!!)



For details on the model, see backup



Mass ordering of $\langle p_T \rangle$ (and v_2) not be an exclusive product of hydrodynamical flow

$\langle p_T \rangle$ only provides first-order characterization of spectral shapes, physics is in the full spectrum!

Blast-Wave model fit to spectra

Boltzmann-Gibbs Blast-Wave used to quantify radial flow
[E. Schnedermann et al., Phys. Rev. C48 (1993) 2462]

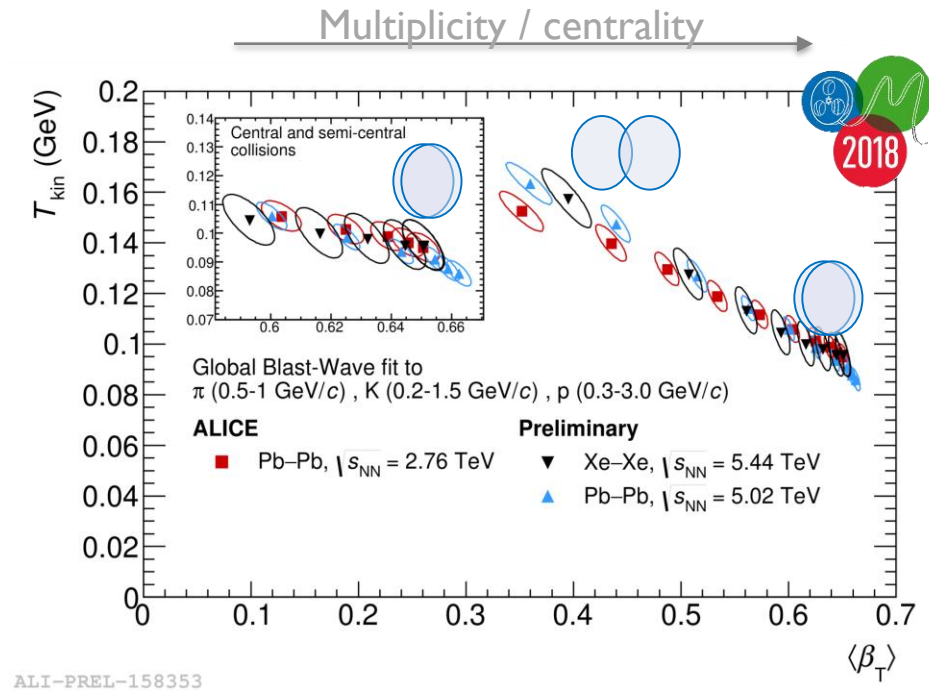
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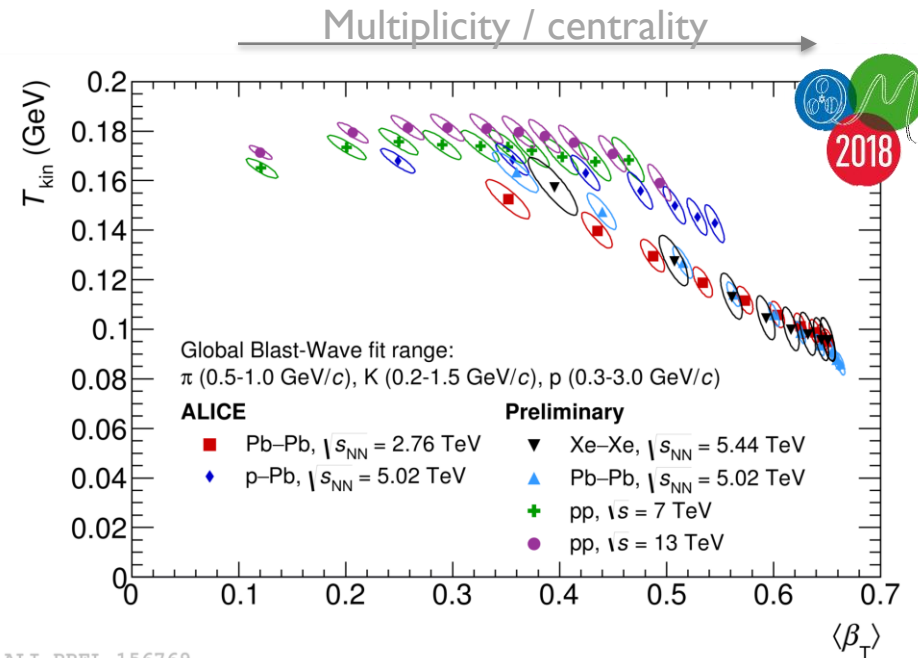
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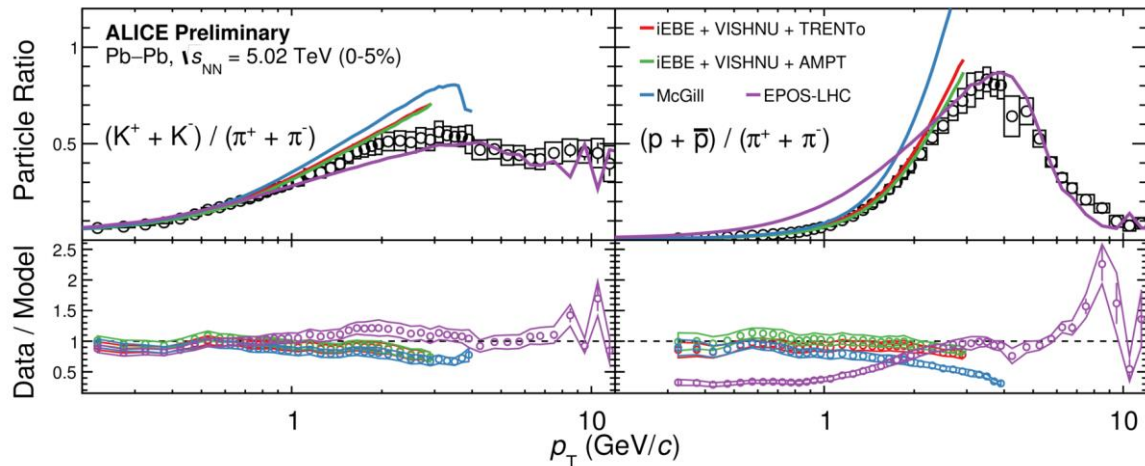
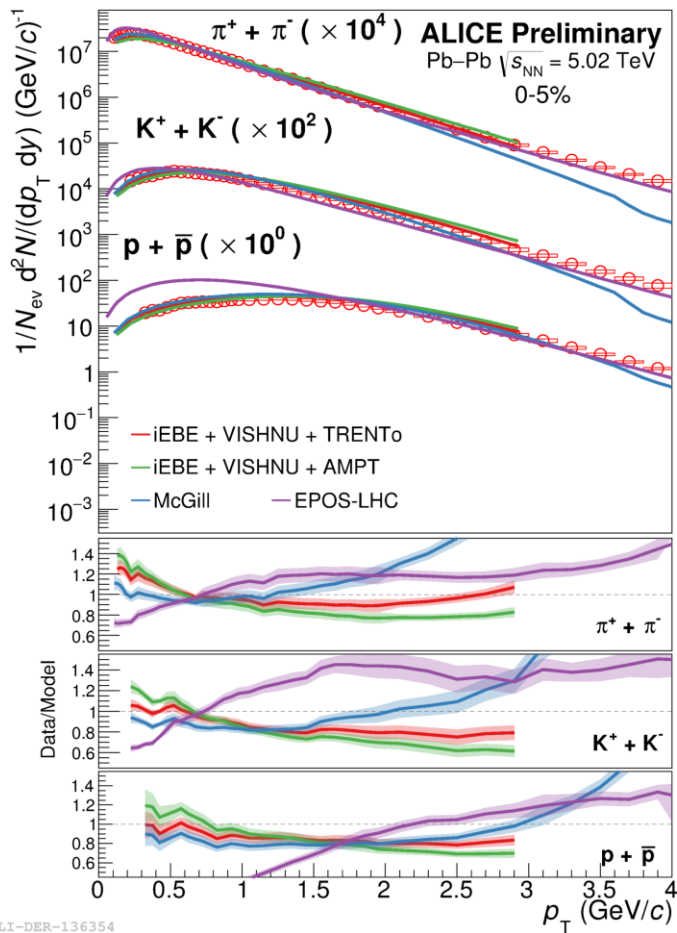
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- in pp and p-Pb, similar evolution with multiplicity
- at similar multiplicity, $\langle\beta_{\text{T}}\rangle$ is larger for smaller systems

Hydro model comparison – Pb-Pb 0-5%



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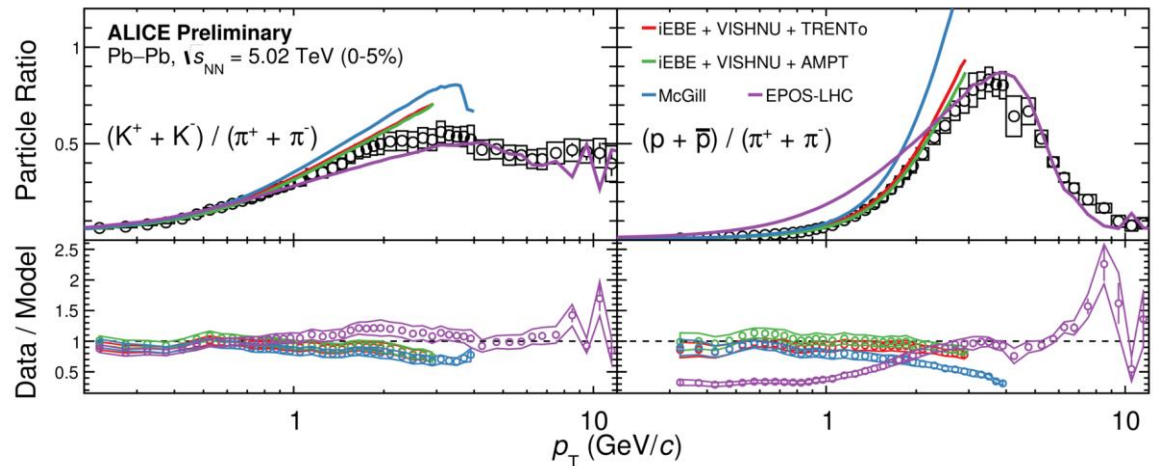
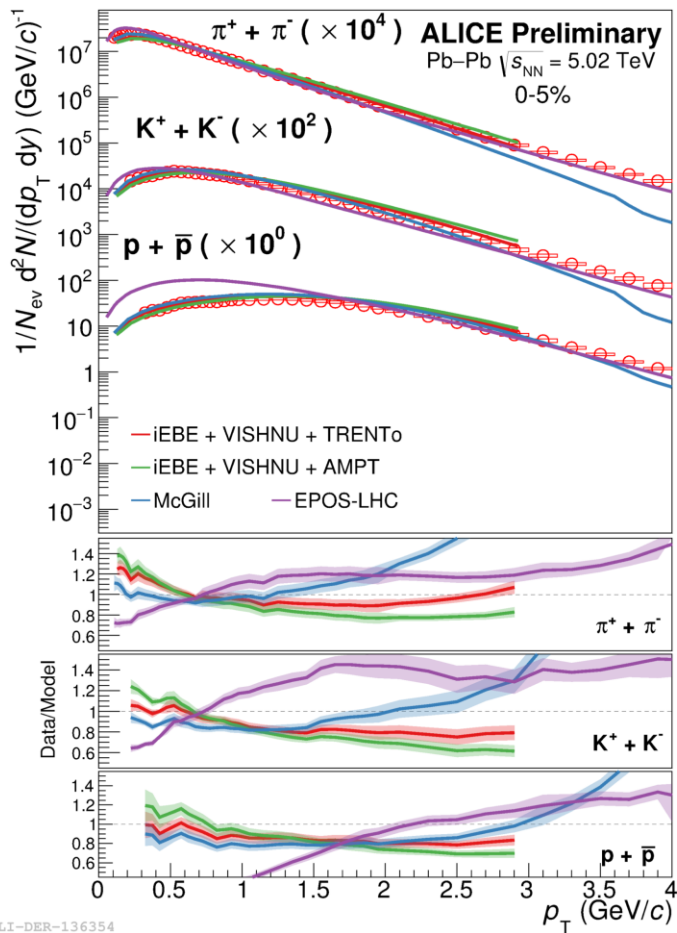
iEbyE + VISHNU + Trento/AMPT: viscous hydro with different initial conditions

[arXiv:1703.10792v1, PRC 92, (2015) 014903, PRC 92 (2015) 011901(R)]

McGill: MUSIC viscous hydro with IP-Glasma initial conditions [PRC 95 (2017) 064913]

“**Full-hydro**” models reproduce features of particle spectra and ratios **below 2 GeV/c at 20-30% level**

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EPOS-LHC: core (hydro) + corona [PRC 92 (2015) 034906]
does not reproduce spectra but **qualitatively** captures
the spectral **ratios up to higher p_T**

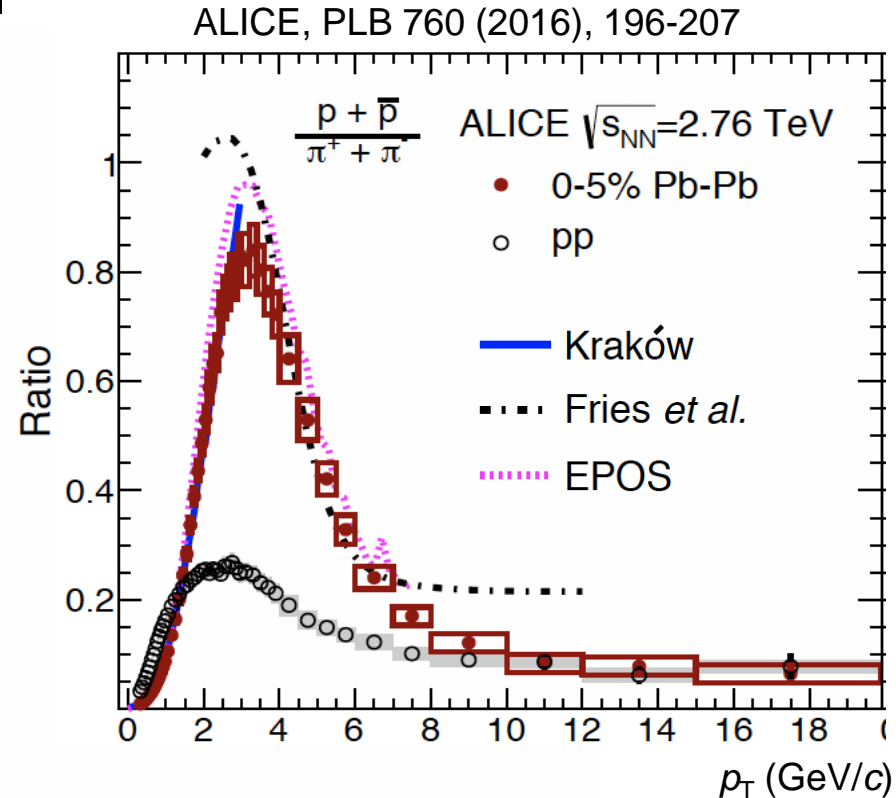
For tested models, agreement **worsens towards peripheral** events / low multiplicity (see backup)

→ **Improvements** are needed to reproduce the evolution with multiplicity, also in view of **extension of hydro description to small systems**

Production mechanisms

Baryon-to-meson ratios are a powerful tool to test production mechanisms and their interplay

- **Low- p_T** rise described by hydro
- Models where **recombination** involves only soft thermal radially **flowing partons** consistent with data
- **High- p_T** p/π is the same in pp and Pb-Pb collisions
→ fragmentation dominates

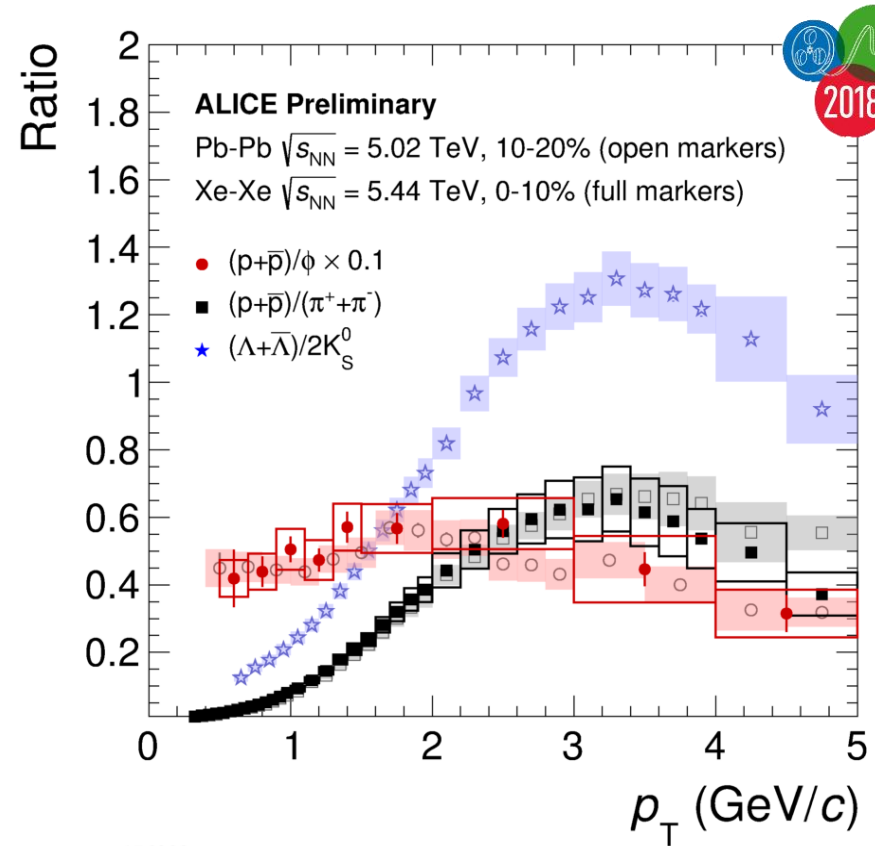
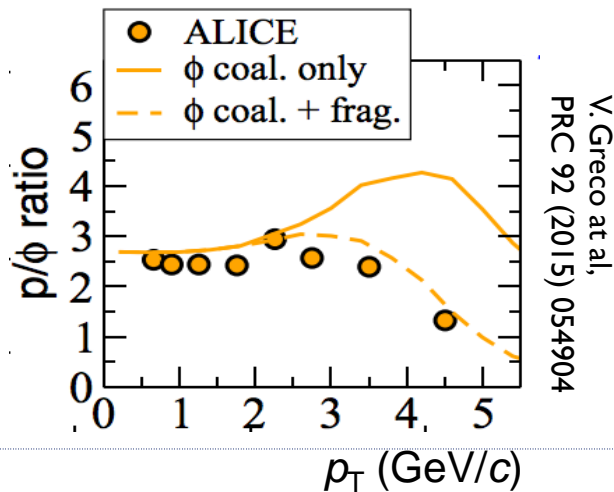


Role of recombination at intermediate p_T

Behaviour in Xe-Xe confirms observations in Pb-Pb at 5.02 TeV (ratios compared at similar multiplicity)

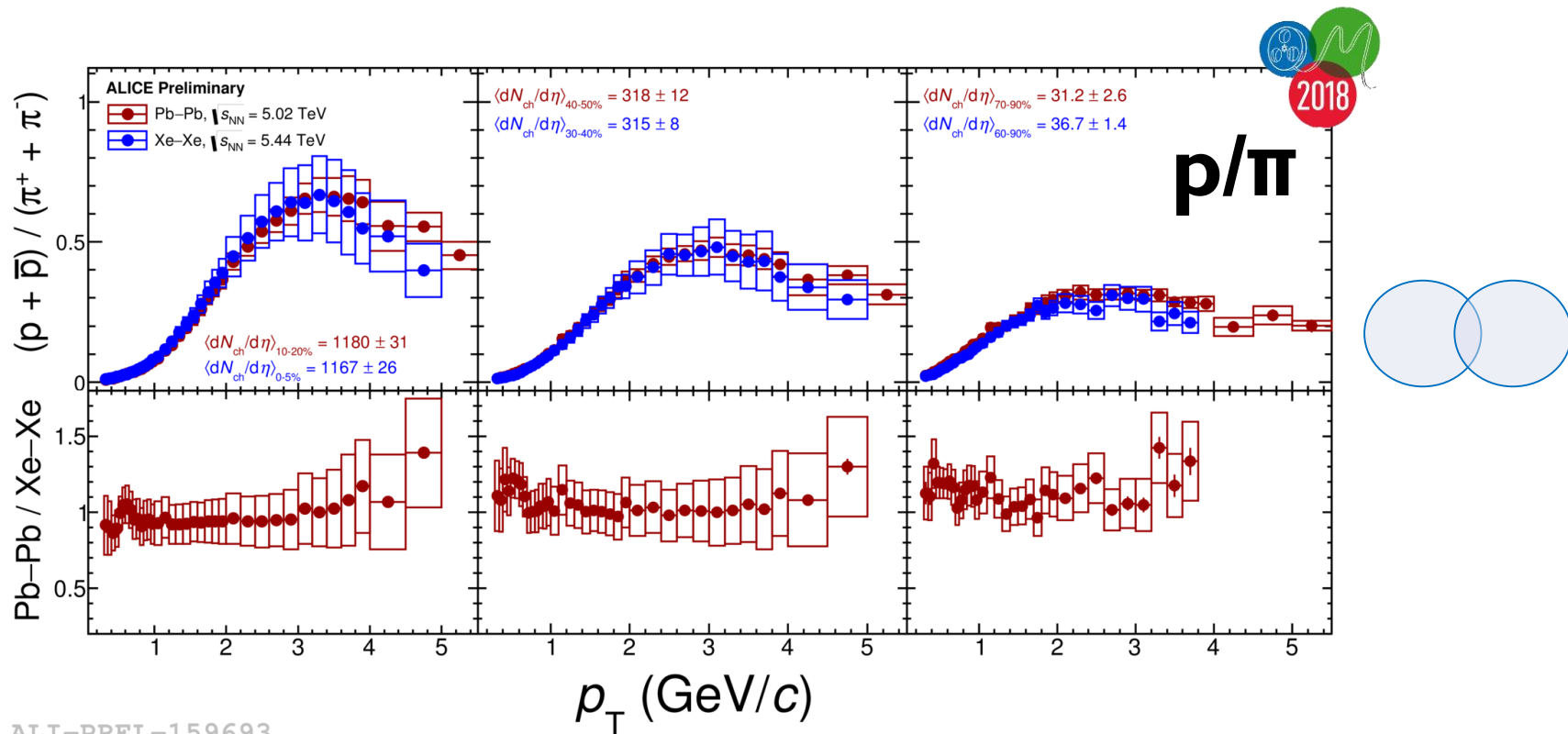
Pivotal role of the ϕ -meson, that has similar mass as the proton

- the **flatness of the p/ϕ** ratio is consistent with hydro but can be accommodated by models with recombination



→ Still an **open point** on whether **recombination or flow** determine the spectral shape **at intermediate p_T**

System size evolution of dynamics

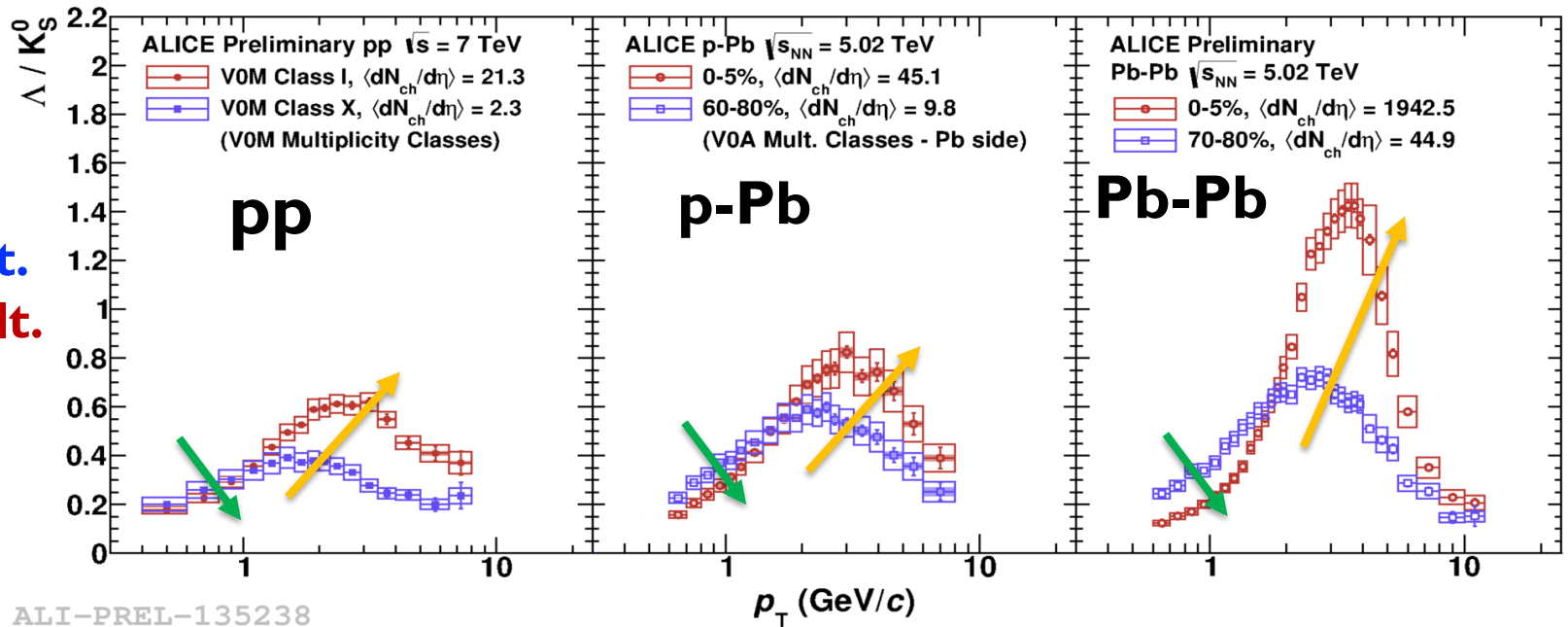


Particle ratios in **Pb-Pb at 5.02 TeV** and **Xe-Xe at 5.44 TeV** are **consistent** within uncertainties once **compared at the same multiplicity** (and not just centrality percentile)

Evolution with centrality in AA collisions and the shape of the p/π ratio are consistent with the presence of **radial flow** (mass dependence of spectral shapes)

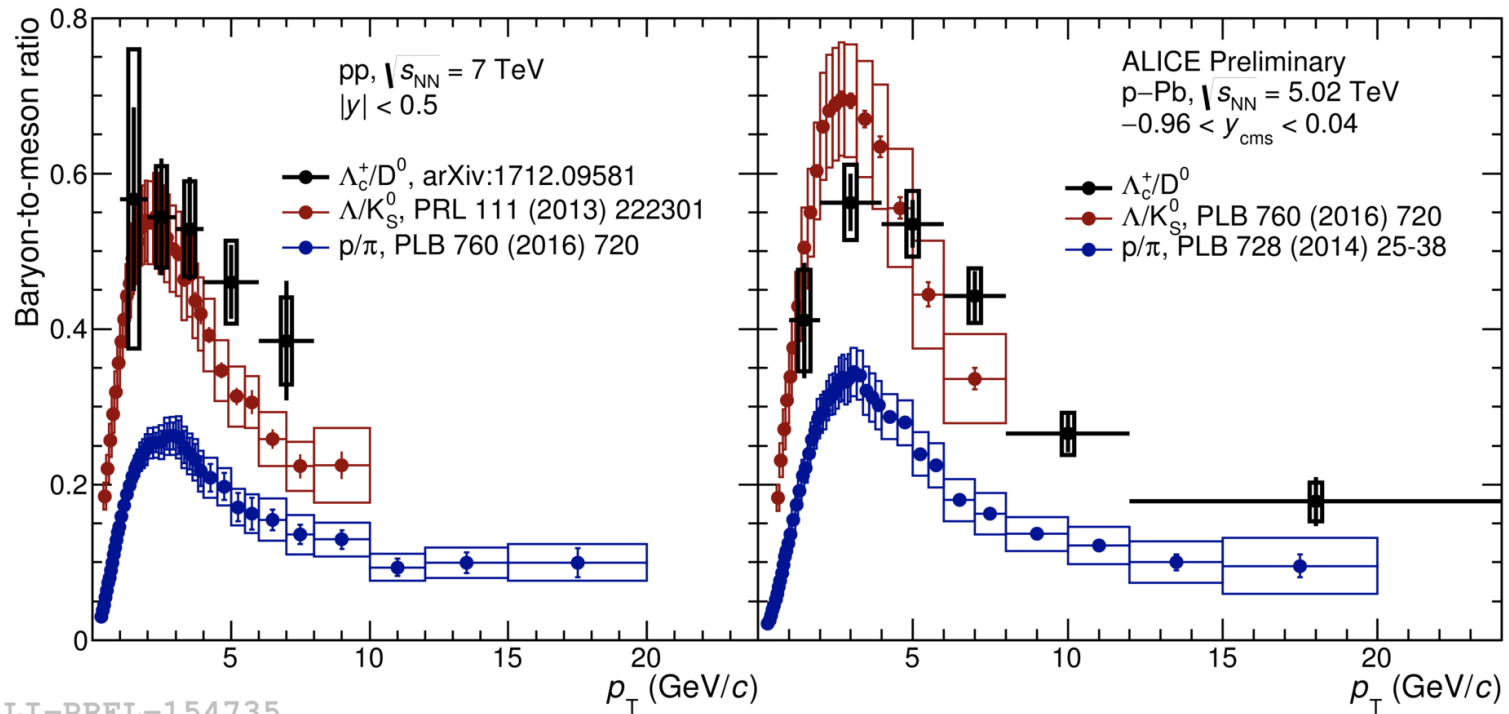
...down to small systems

Low mult.
High mult.



Across the three systems the baryon-to-meson ratios **evolve with multiplicity** in a qualitatively similar way

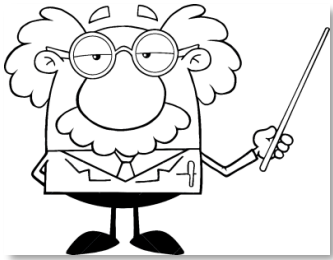
Baryon-to-meson – heavy-flavor sector



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Heavy flavor baryon-to-meson ratio in small systems similar to light-flavors (Λ/K_S^0)

- Not reproduced by models (PYTHIA, etc... see backup)



We observe a continuous evolution of spectral shapes and ratios with multiplicity across different systems

In HI hydrodynamics works at low p_T , interplay with recombination at intermediate p_T is still an open point

In small systems, origin of collectivity is still to be understood

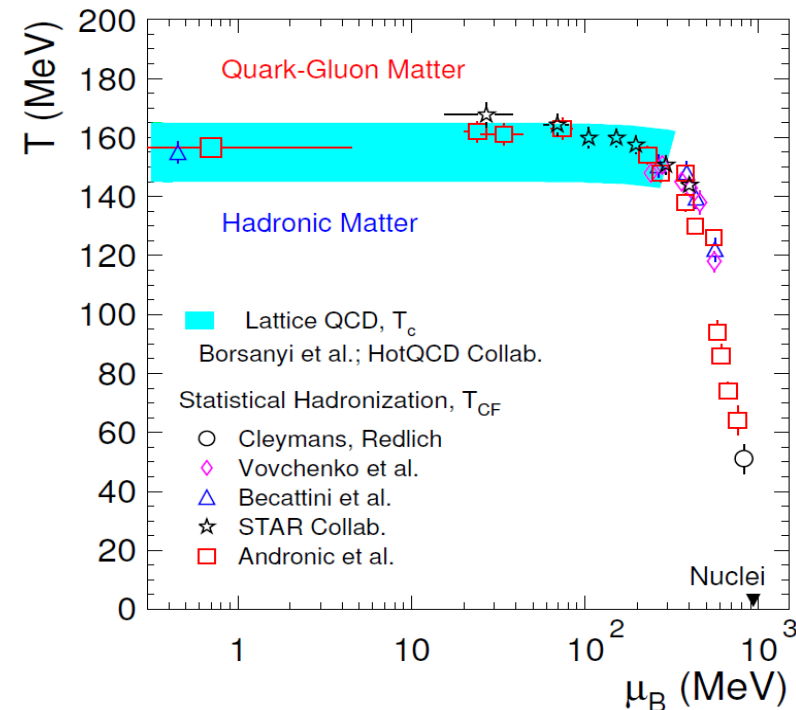
Statistical hadronisation model in a nutshell

Thermal fits map heavy-ion collisions to the QCD phase diagram and allow for comparison with lattice-QCD results.

Conventional picture: (ideal) hadron-resonance gas model in chemical equilibrium (based on Grand Canonical ensemble)

$$n_i = N_i/V = -\frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial \ln Z_i}{\partial \mu} = \frac{g_i}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{p^2 dp}{\exp[(E_i - \mu_i)/T] \pm 1}$$

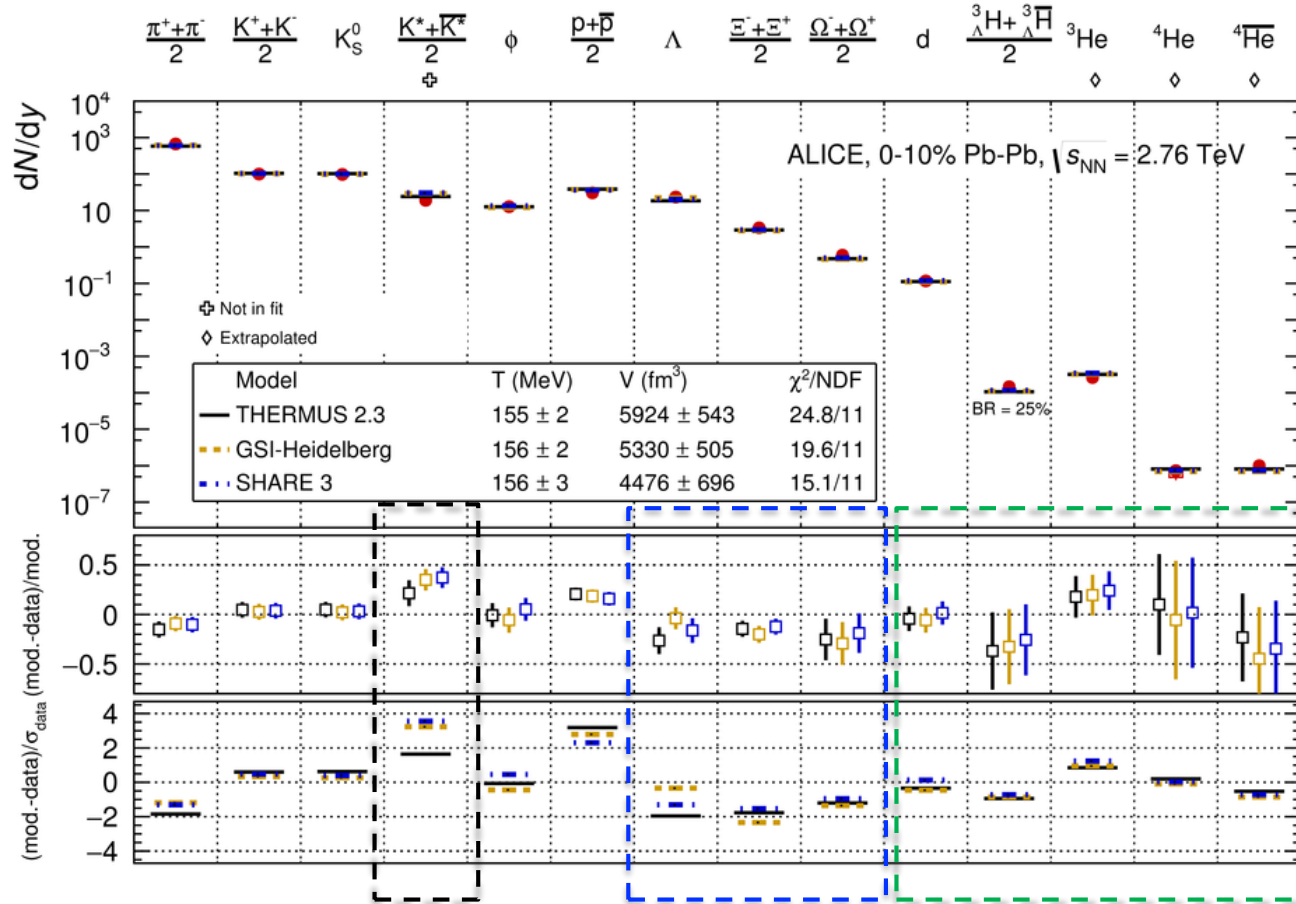
- Fit to yields: parameters μ_B, T_{ch}, V
- Thermal model fit to yields: V cancels out
- Fits based on minimization of χ^2
- Deviations from (GC) equilibrium through empirical under(over)-saturation parameters for strange, charm or light quarks ($\gamma_s, \gamma_c, \gamma_q$)



A. Andronic et al., *arXiv:1710.09425*

V. Vovchenko, *LIGHT UP workshop*

Thermal model fit to Pb-Pb 2.76 TeV (0-10%)



Production of (most) light-flavour hadrons described ($\chi^2/\text{ndf} \sim 2$) by thermal models with a **single chemical freeze-out** temperature,
 $T_{\text{ch}} \approx 156$ MeV

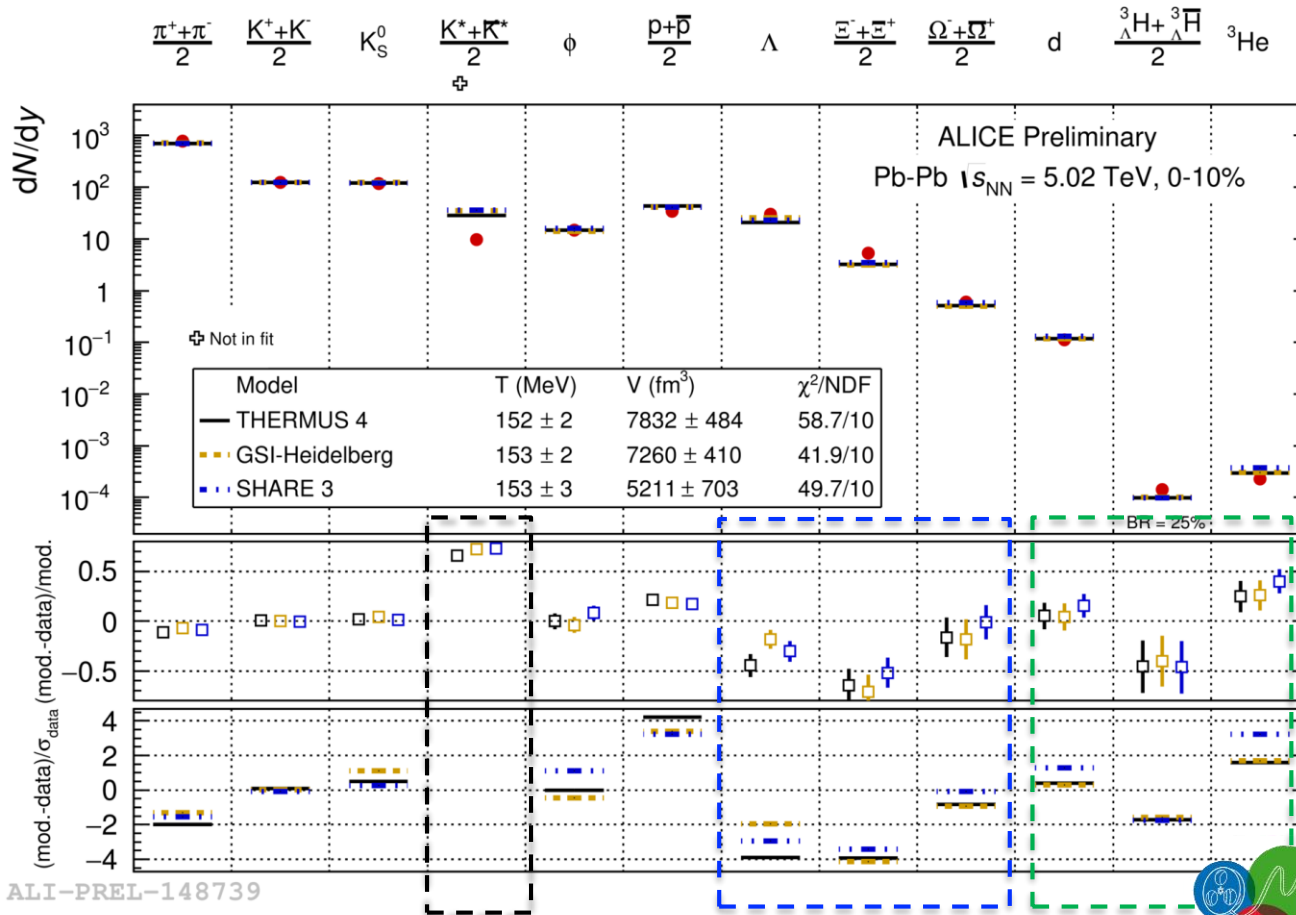
Deviation for short-lived K^{*0} resonance

Tensions between protons and multi-strange

Nuclei included

Figure from *ALICE, Nucl. Phys. A 971 (2018) 1-20*
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New preliminary ALICE data in **0-10% Pb-Pb at 5.02 TeV** can be fitted with a slightly lower temperature, **$T \approx 153$ MeV** and higher $\chi^2/ndf \sim 4-6$

Tensions between protons and multi-strange are **confirmed** at the new energy

- Strange particles prefer a higher temperature.

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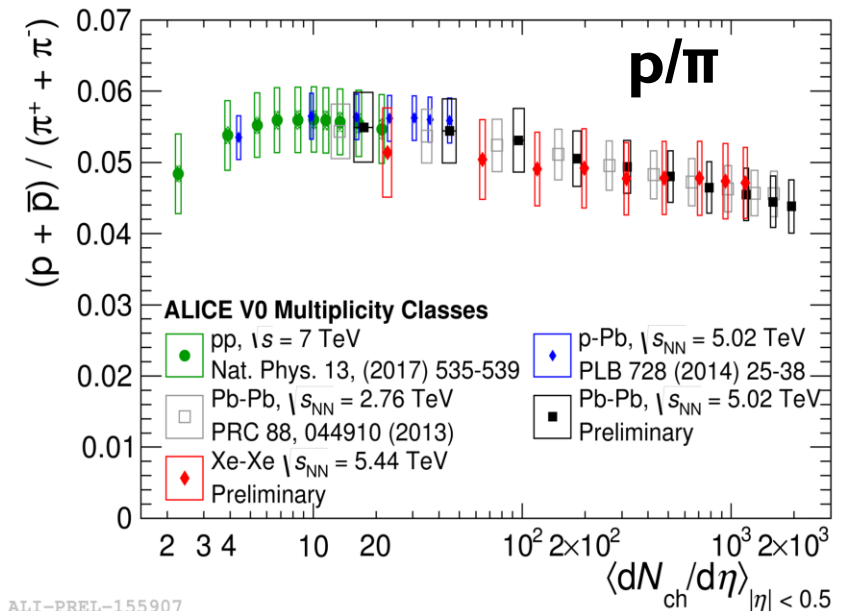
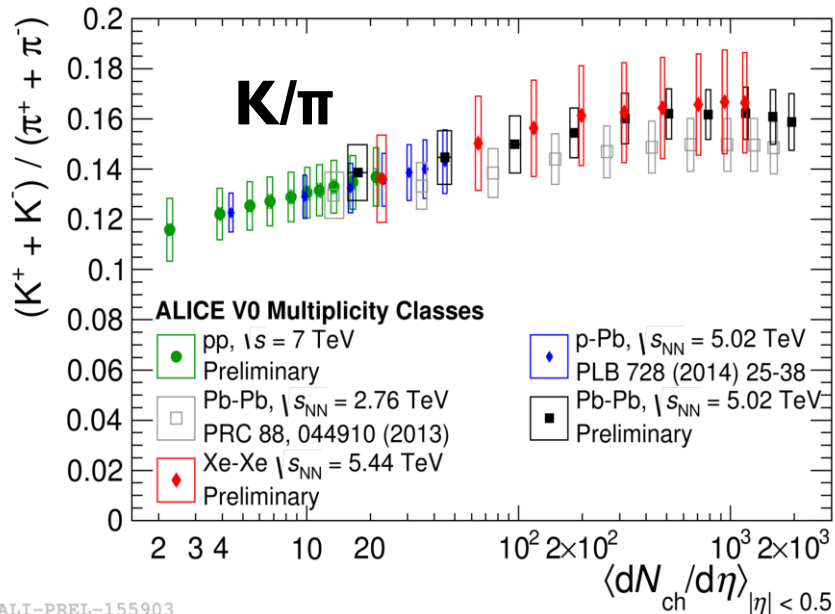
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System size evolution of hadrochemistry



Chemistry is driven by **charged particle multiplicity**, i.e. the size of the system (regardless of its type and \sqrt{s})

→ A further test for thermal model will be the fit to the Xe-Xe data, to check dependence on system size of T_{ch}

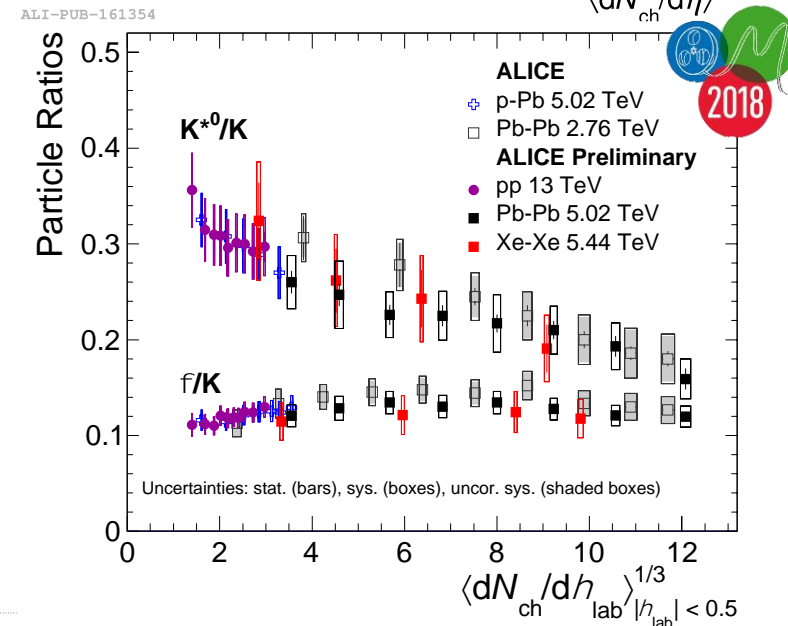
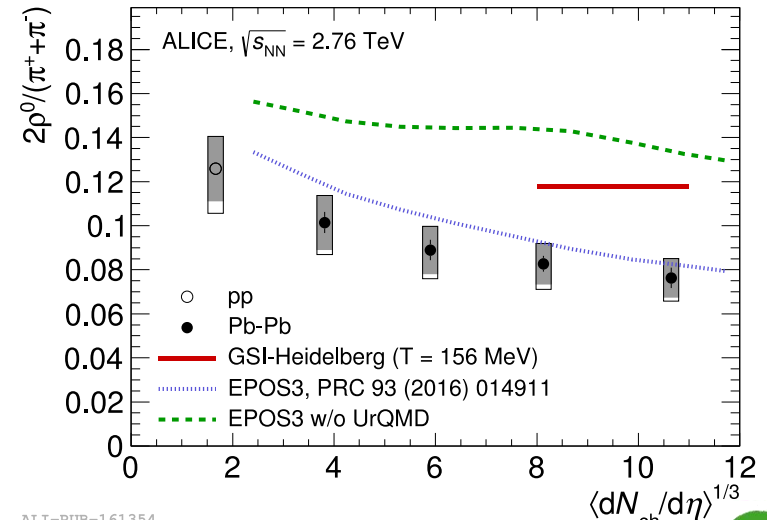
Resonance suppression in central AA

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- ✗ $\phi(1020)/K$ (ϕ lifetime = 45 fm/c)

- Re-scattering effects expected to be stronger in central collisions, as the medium is denser and lasts longer
- Depending on the species, regeneration effects might be dominant → measure Σ^* !

arXiv:1805.04365



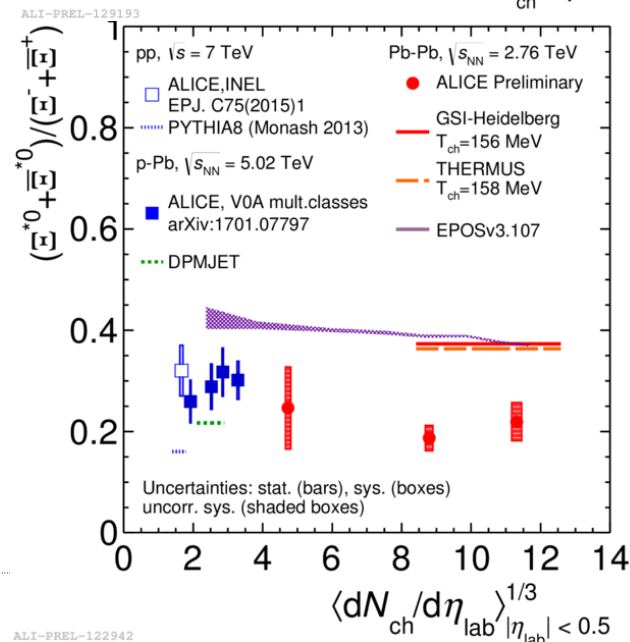
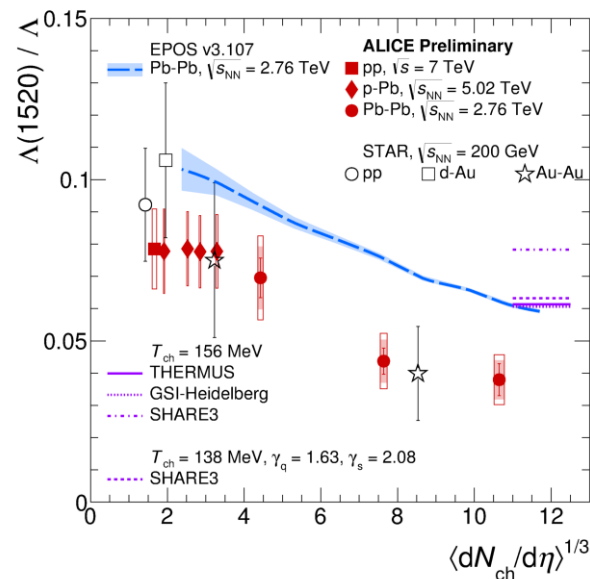
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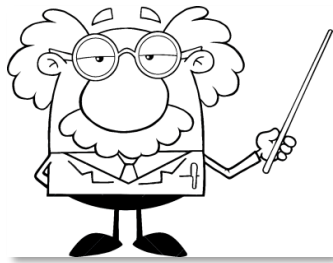
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arXiv:1805.04361





In thermal fits, differences between protons and strangeness sector observed at 2.76 TeV are confirmed at 5.02 TeV

Entering an era of precision tests for thermal model(s)

Important role of the hadronic phase for resonances. Is there more to the story (baryon annihilation for p)?

(Anti-)nuclei production

2 main models give predictions consistent in order of magnitude but based on different parameters:

Thermal production at chemical freeze-out/phase boundary

- Key parameters are mass and chemical freeze-out temperature:

$$dN/dy \sim \exp(-m/T_{\text{ch}})$$

- Model provides yields but no p_T spectra (no dynamics)

Coalescence of nucleons at kinetic freeze-out

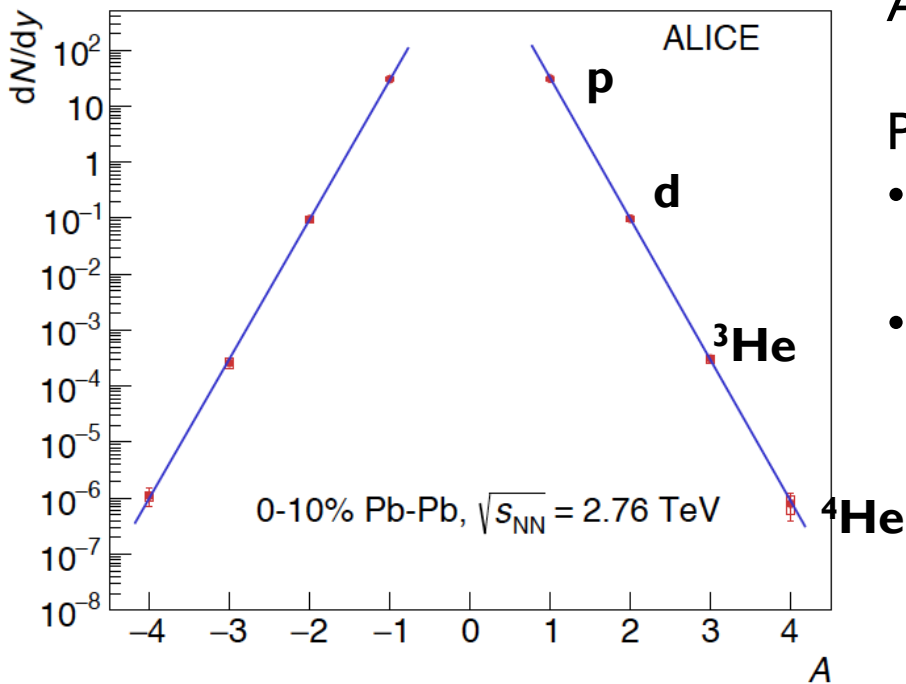
- Key parameters are nuclear wave functions, size of the (hyper)nucleus
- Production probability quantified by **coalescence parameter B_A**
- “Simple” coalescence model limited -- **source size to be included** in modeling
- Model provides spectra

$$E_i \frac{d^3 N_i}{dp_i^3} = B_A \left(E_p \frac{d^3 N_p}{dp_p^3} \right)^A$$

Key measurements: multiplicity-dependence of nuclei with different sizes relative to the system size [F. Bellini, A. Kalweit, in preparation]

Nuclei are rare objects

ALICE Coll., arXiv:1710.07531



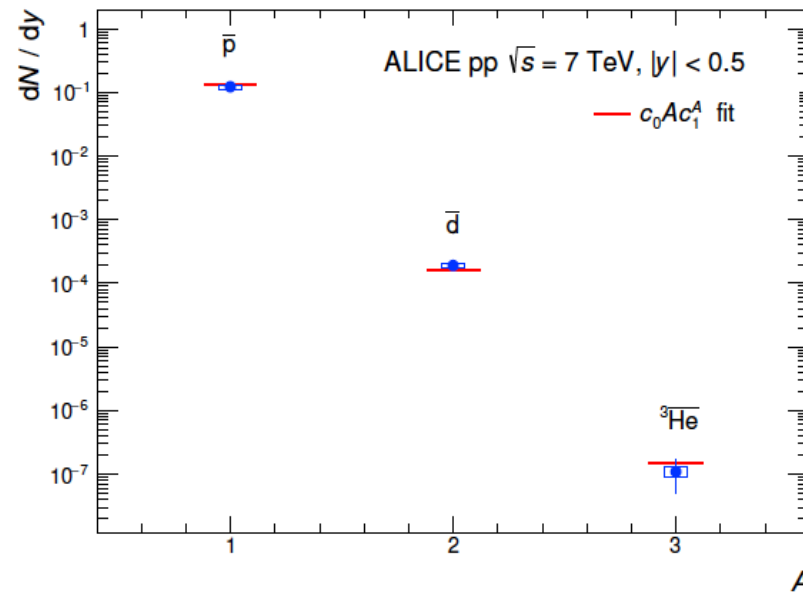
Anti-matter / matter ~ 1 at the LHC

Pb-Pb collisions:

- “penalty factor” for adding one nucleon ~ 300
- Consistency with thermal model expectations

pp/p-Pb collisions:

- “penalty factor” for adding one nucleon $\sim 600-10^3$

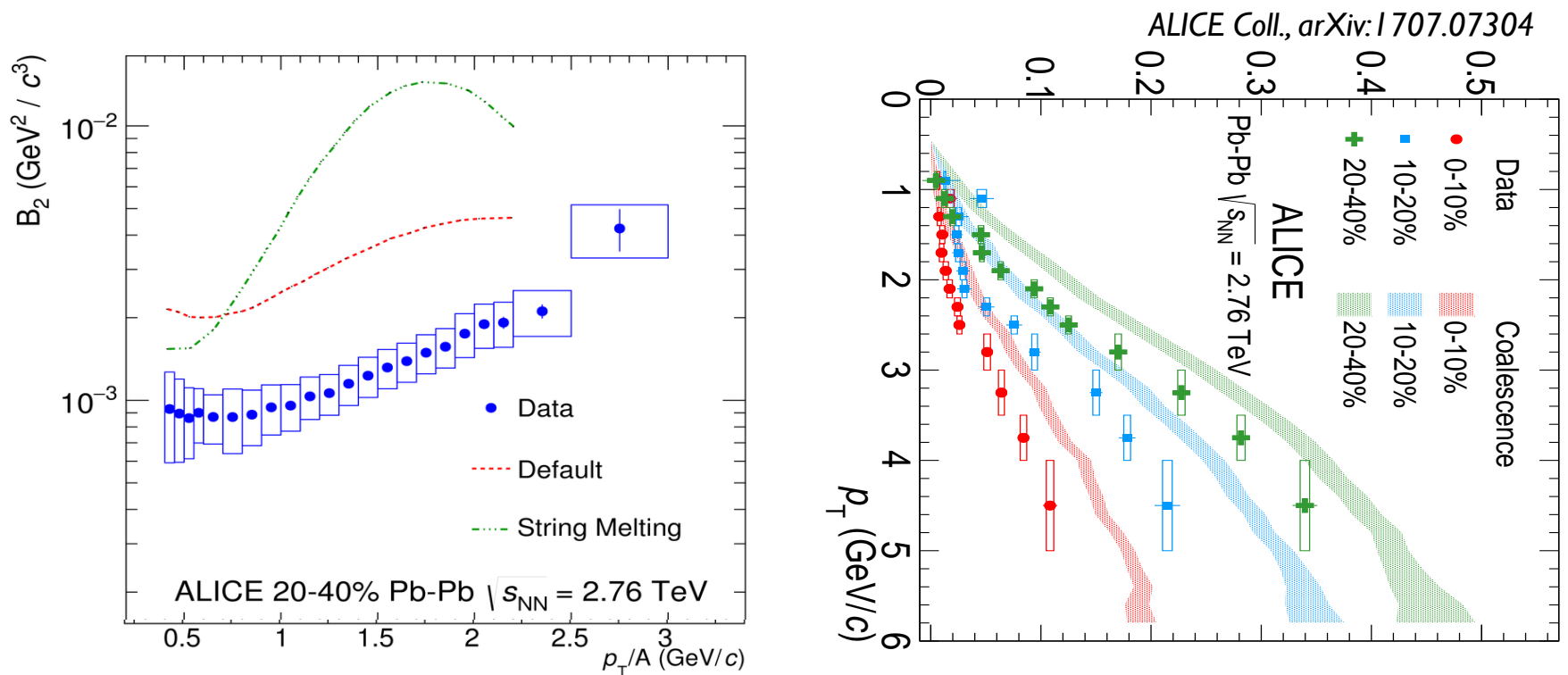


Deuteron flows in AA

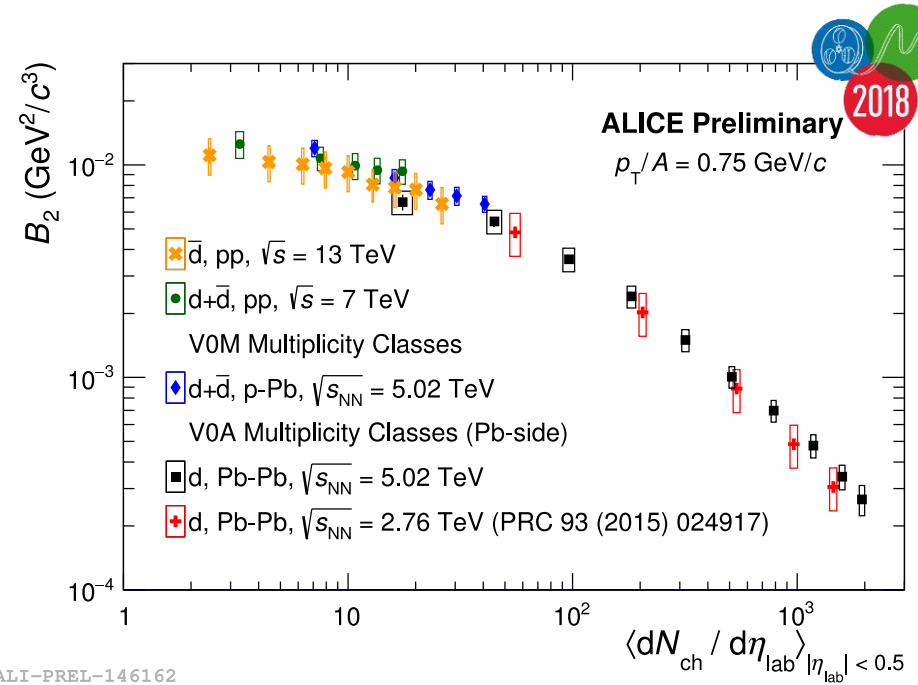
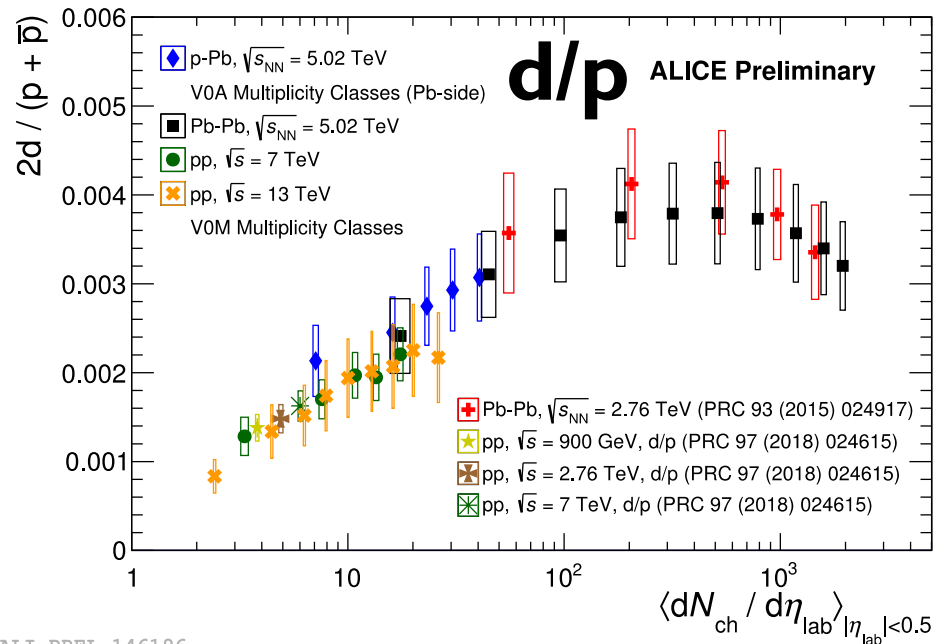
Deuterons develop v_2 , surviving in the fireball despite their low binding energy ($B_E \sim 2.2$ MeV)

→ Proposed deuteron as “6-quarks bag” formed thermally (A. Andronic et al.)

Simple coalescence fails in reproducing the deuteron B_2 and v_2

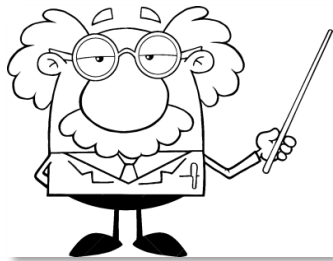


Nuclei production across collision systems



Smooth evolution of d/p ratio across systems and no significant $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ dependence at $\mu_B = 0$

B_2 decrease with centrality in Pb-Pb is explained as an increase in the source volume (in “full” coalescence models, e.g. Scheibl-Heinz, Sato-Yazaki, Nagle, ...)



Many new results in the nuclei sector at the LHC contribute to the systematic study of production mechanisms

Key measurements: multiplicity-dependence of nuclei with different sizes relative to the system size to probe coalescence vs thermal production

Strangeness production

Enhancement of strangeness from low to high multiplicity pp, p-Pb collisions, until saturation in Pb-Pb [ALICE, *Nat. Phys.* 13, 535–539 (2017)]

→ confirmed with new data from LHC Run II

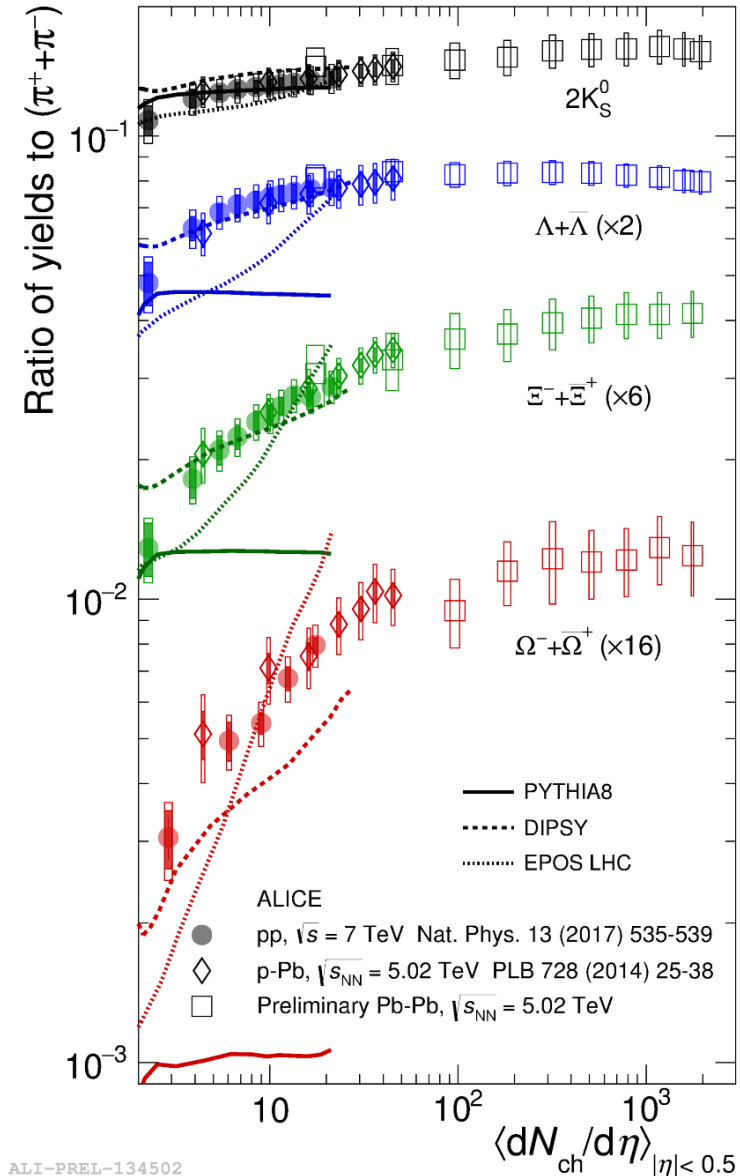
Ongoing efforts to explain behavior with models

- Lund string, color ropes (PYTHIA, DIPSY)
- core-corona (EPOS-LHC)
- thermal-statistical (canonical suppression)

[V.Vislavicius, A. Kalweit, *aXiv:1610.03001*]

- Conventional pp generators successful, with MPI + CR generating some collectivity, but now cracks.
- **Need new framework for baryon production.**

T. Sjostrand, *Quark Matter 2018*



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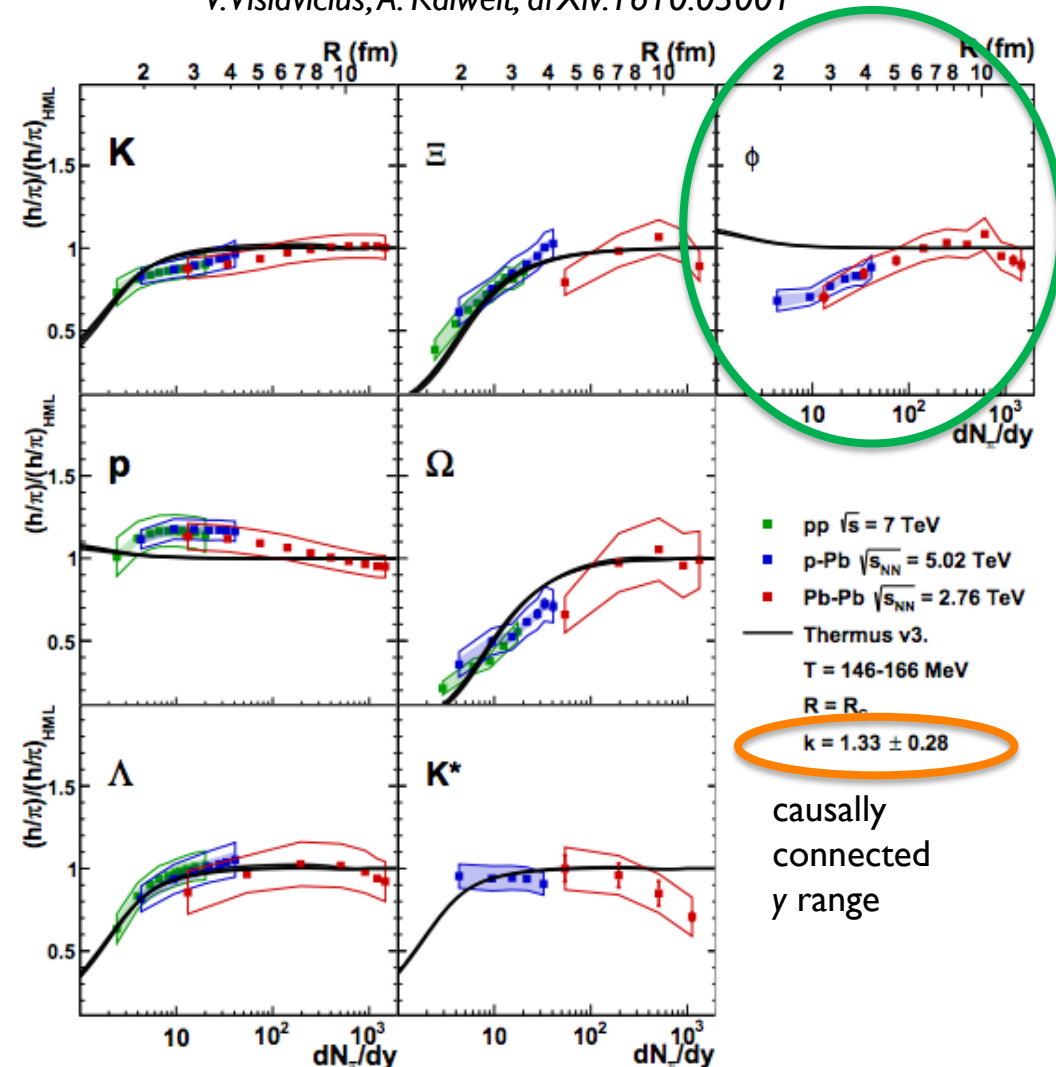
Strangeness canonical suppression

In equilibrium SHM models strangeness enhancement is a result of the **canonical suppression** of strangeness production **in small systems** due to the explicit **conservation** of the **strangeness** quantum number in a finite system

First comparisons to model calculations based on THERMUS code

→ agreement with data within uncertainties, **except for ϕ** meson (also “immune” to canonical suppression)

V.Vislavicius, A. Kalweit, arXiv:1610.03001



causally connected y range

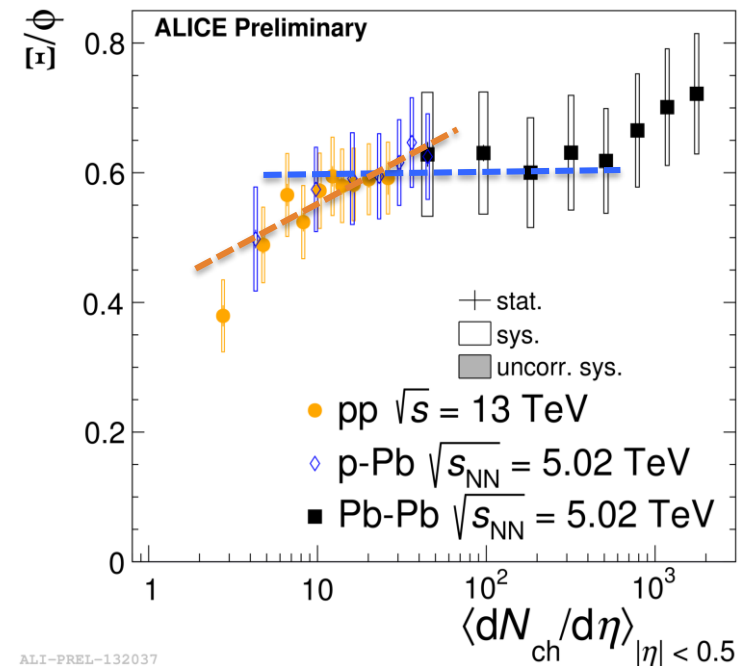
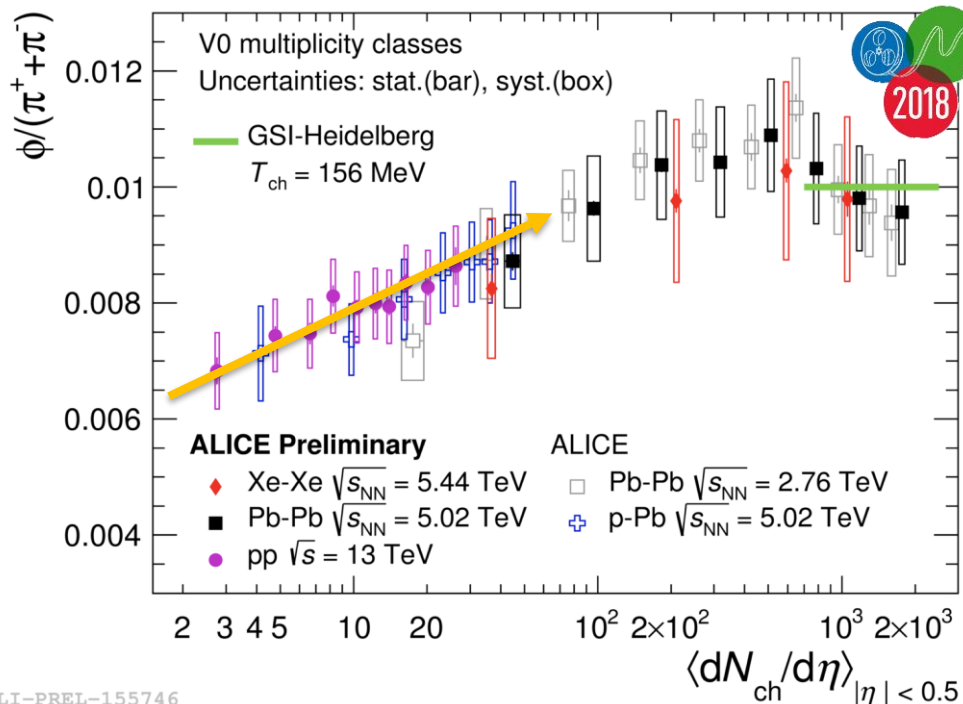
The special role of ϕ meson

As a s-sbar pair ($S=0$) with the same mass as the proton, the ϕ meson is “special”

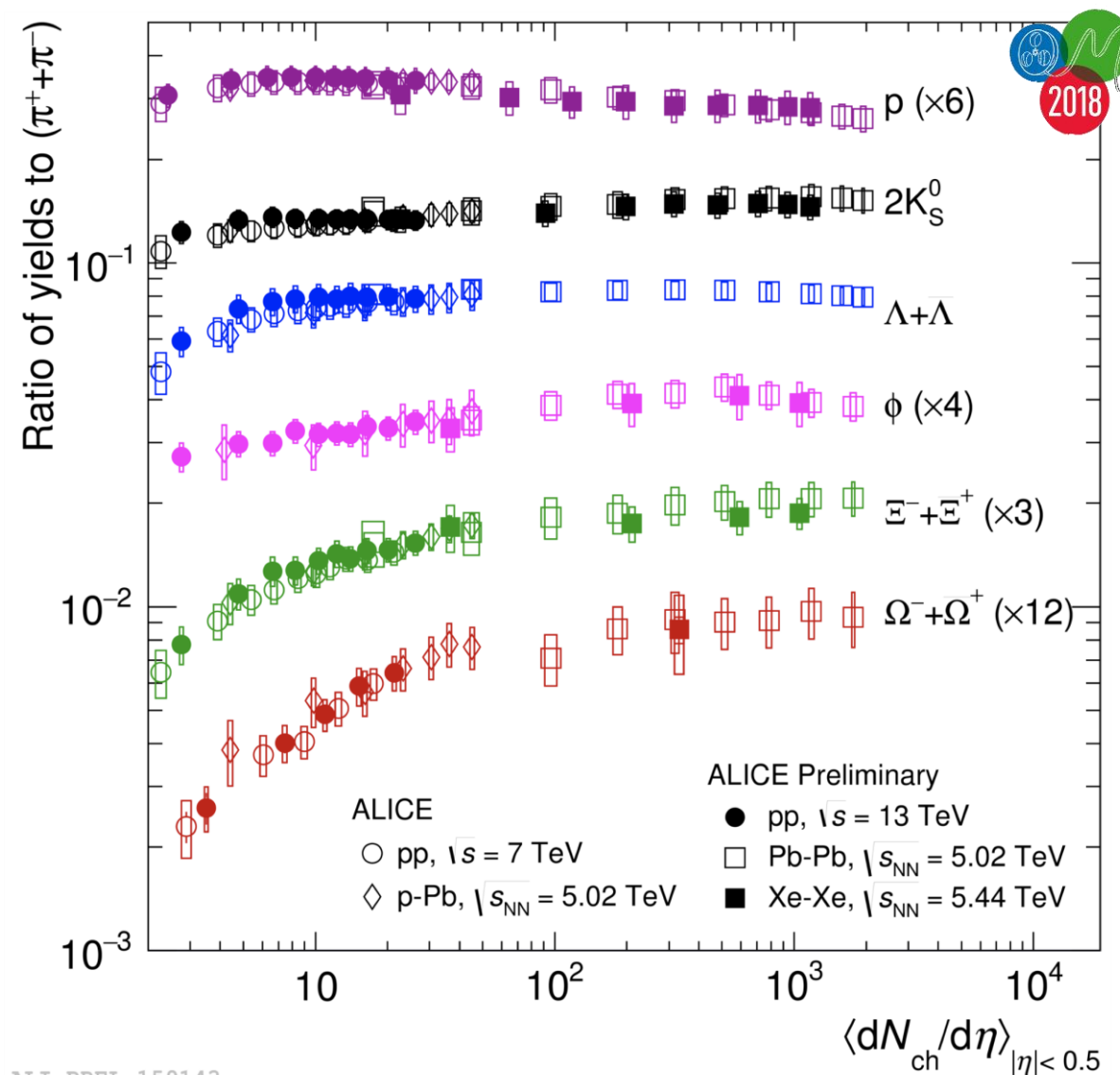
→ **Does ϕ behave like a $S=0$ or $S=2$ particle?**

- Indications of increase of ϕ/π ratio with multiplicity in small systems
- Flat Ξ/ϕ for multiplicities between ~ 6 and ~ 700 ? Or slightly increasing in pp, p-Pb vs multiplicity?

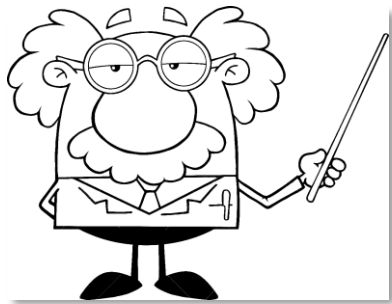
→ **Need more precision from experiment!**



System size evolution of hadrochemistry



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Particle composition evolves smoothly across collision systems, depending on charged particle multiplicity.

Common origin in all systems?

For MC generators, work is still needed to reproduce evolution with system size in view of a unified description of all collision systems

Collectivity but no jet quenching?

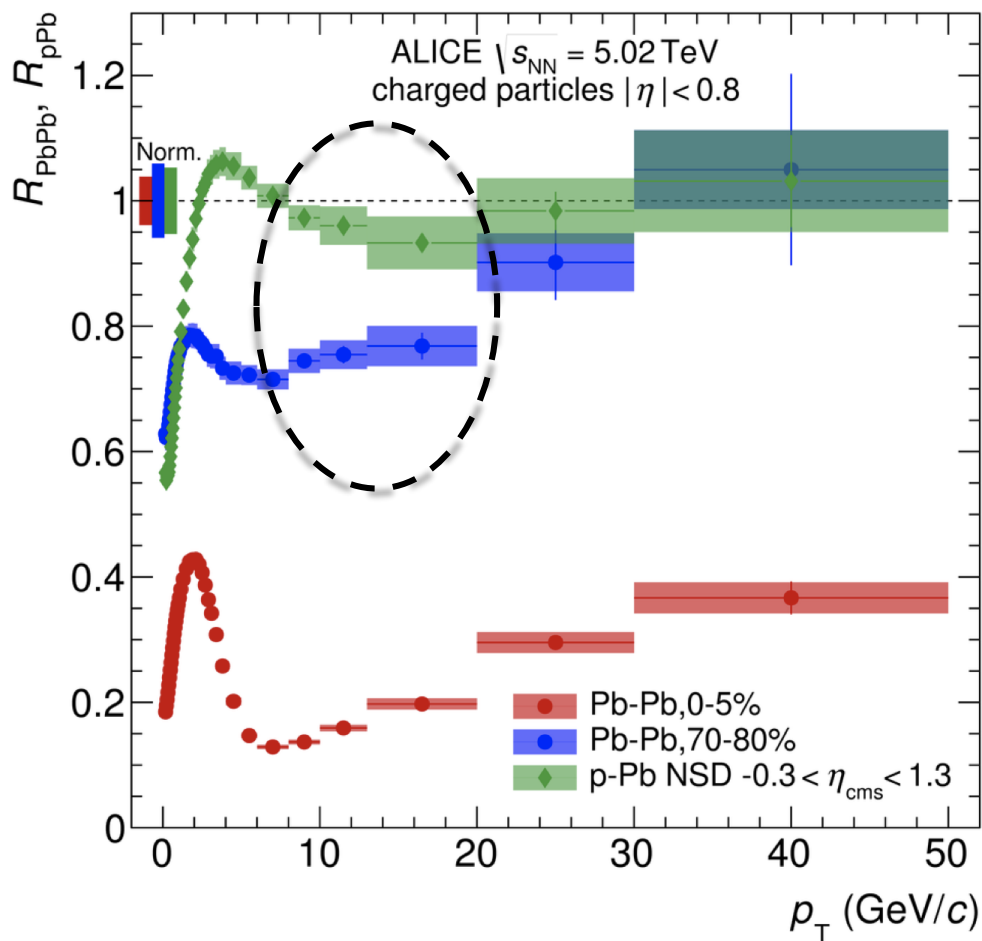
ALICE, arXiv:1802.09145

Similarities are observed for flow observables between **peripheral Pb-Pb** and **high multiplicity p-Pb** collisions.

New and more precise measurements from ALL experiments on nuclear modification factors.

In (minimum bias) **p-Pb**, no suppression at high- p_T is observed, contrary to **peripheral Pb-Pb**.

→ *Do we understand this?*

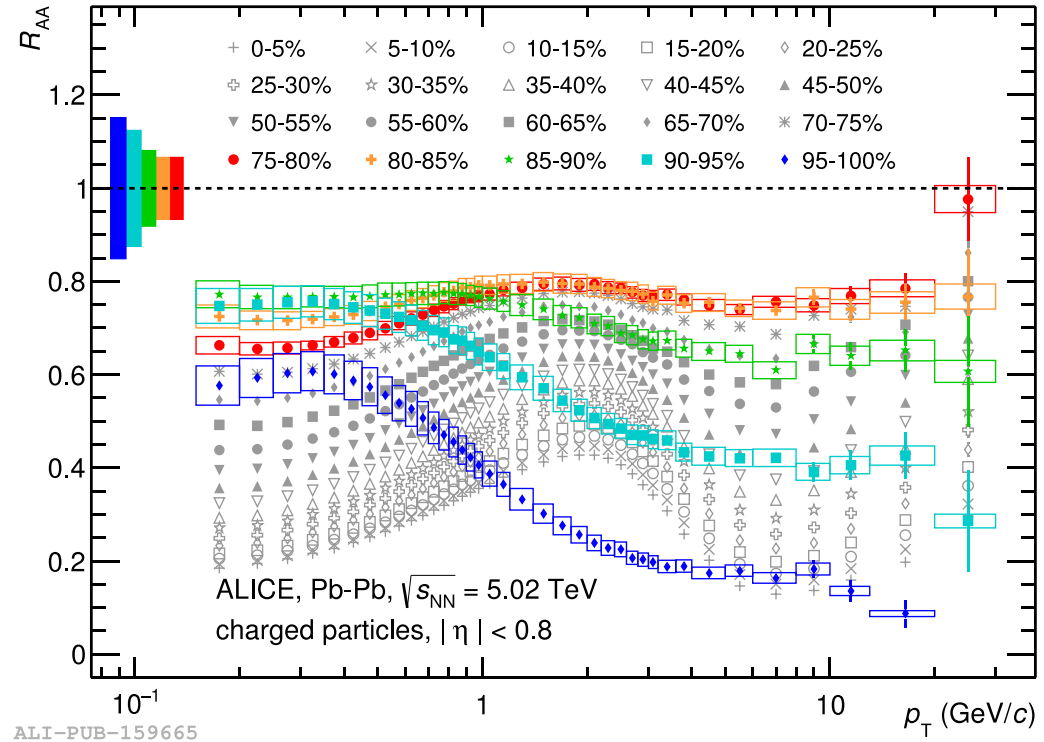


Nuclear modification in very peripheral collisions

New measurement in very fine centrality bins!

Strong change of behaviour of R_{AA} beyond 80% centrality

ALICE, arXiv:1805.05212



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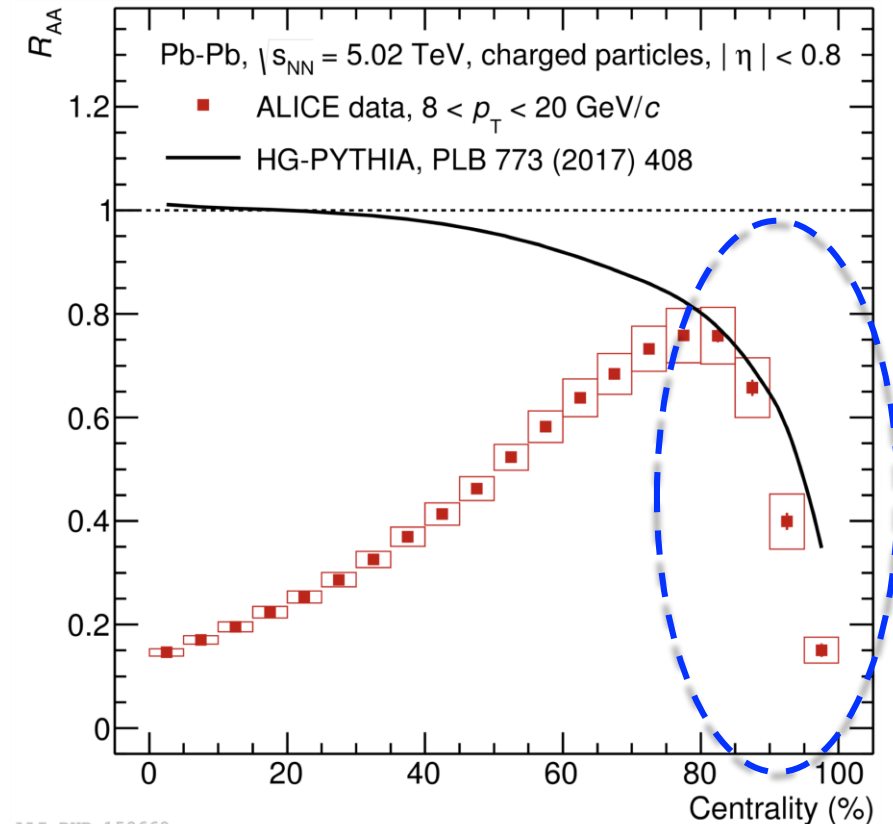
New measurement in very fine centrality bins!

Strong change of behaviour of R_{AA} beyond 80% centrality

→ reproduced by HG-PYTHIA with **biases** in event selection and collision geometry, and no nuclear modification.

Considering this, the jet quenching signal is smaller than typical systematics above ~80% centrality → **consistent with** R_{pPb}

ALICE, arXiv:1805.05212



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Conclusions and outlook



Continuity in chemistry and dynamics across collision systems (dependence on charged particle **multiplicity**) is observed.

pp, p-nucleus collisions are much more than a “reference” for heavy-ion collisions



MC generators can generate collective-like behaviour but **fail in the details** of hadron (baryon) production as a function of multiplicity.

Absence of jet-quenching in small systems remains as the main challenge to the final-state effect interpretation.

Origin of collectivity in small systems is still **to be understood**.

STRANGENESS

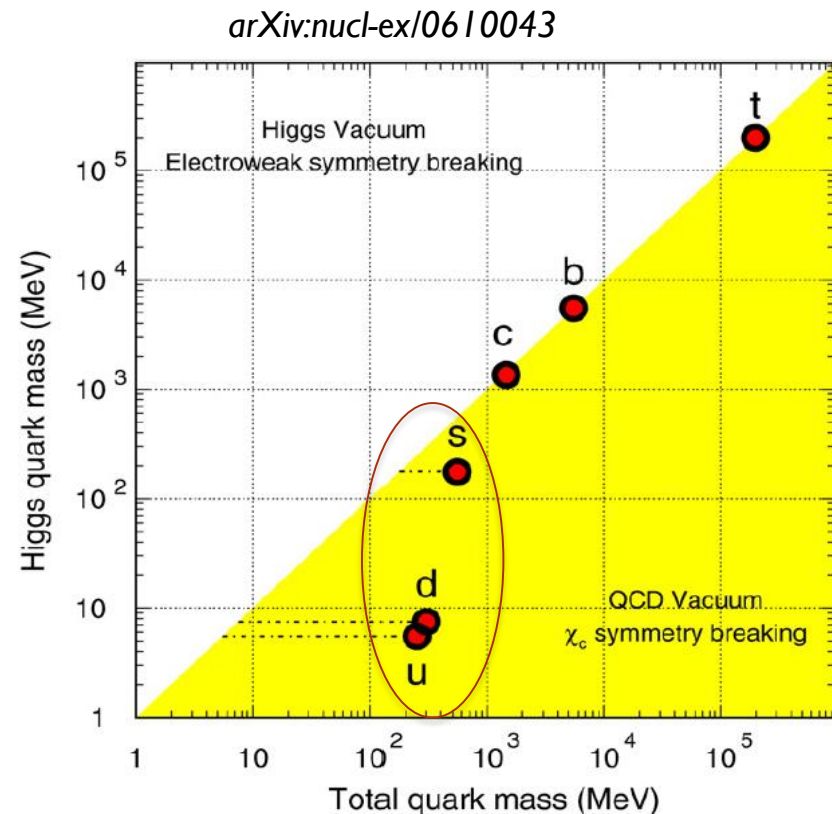
Strangeness from the HI perspective

- ~ 300 MeV are enough to create an $s\bar{s}$ pair^[1] (even less if $m_s^{\text{QCD}} \rightarrow m_s^{\text{Higgs}}$ by restoration of chiral symmetry in the QGP phase)
- Strange quarks are dominantly produced by (thermalised^[2]) gluon fusion in QGP
- Strangeness enhancement wrt pp collisions historically proposed as signature for a deconfined QGP^[3]
- pp collisions as reference

[1] PDG group, *Chin. Phys. C* 38 (2014) 090001

[2] E. Shuryak, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 68 (1992) 3270

[3] J. Rafelski and B. Muller, *PRL* 48 (1982) 1066



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} m_u \approx 2.3 \text{ MeV} \\ m_d \approx 4.8 \text{ MeV} \\ m_s \approx 96 \text{ MeV} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} < \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \\ \ll m_c \approx 1.3 \text{ GeV} \end{array}$$

Strangeness from the pp perspective

- Producing strangeness is “expensive”
→ threshold problem

E.g. in the Lund String model

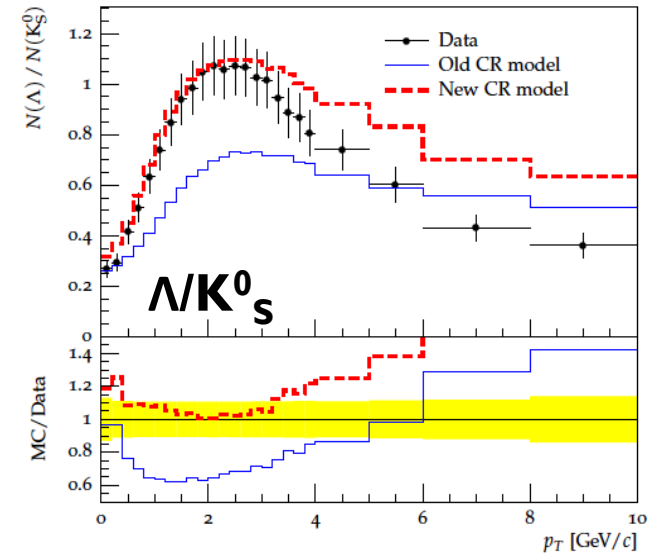
$$\text{Prob}(m_q^2, p_{\perp q}^2) \propto \exp\left(\frac{-\pi m_q^2}{\kappa}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-\pi p_{\perp q}^2}{\kappa}\right)$$

E.g. in a hadron gas

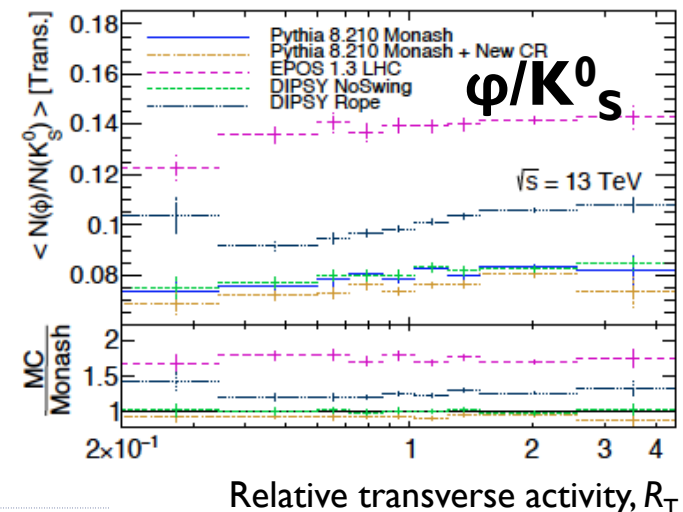
$$\pi + \pi \rightarrow \pi + \pi + \Lambda + \Lambda\text{-bar}, E_{\text{th}} \sim 2200 \text{ MeV}$$

- Measurements of strange hadron production used as input for tuning Monte Carlo generators
- Contribute to the understanding of the rich structure of the underlying event arising from MPI in pp, p-Pb collisions

J.R. Christiansen, P. Skands, JHEP 08 (2015) 003



P. Skands et al. arXiv:1603.05298



Strangeness production in QGP

- ~ 300 MeV are enough to create an s-sbar pair (even less if $m_s^{\text{QCD}} \rightarrow m_s^{\text{Higgs}}$ by restoration of chiral symmetry)

- gluon fusion (a) is the dominant mechanism for strangeness production over quark annihilation (b)

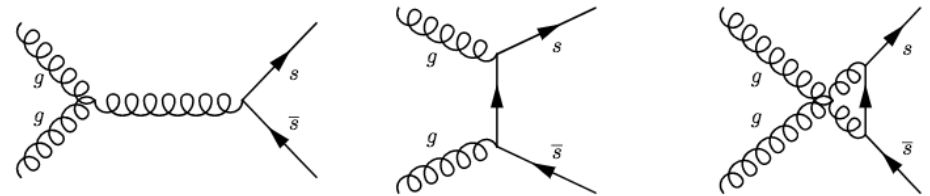
- Gluons quickly thermalise in $\tau < 1$ fm/c [E. Shuryak, Phys. Rev. Lett. 68 (1992) 3270]

- The backward reaction of (b) depends on the s quark density, thus on the QGP lifetime \rightarrow saturation of strangeness abundance

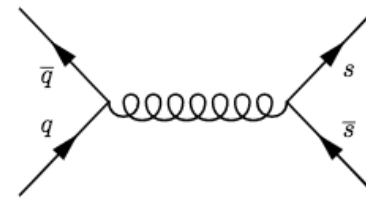
- After hadronisation, the abundance of (multi)strange hadrons reflects that of strangeness in the partonic phase

- If the hadronic phase is short enough to avoid re-diffusion
- For small hadronic cross sections

(a) $gg \rightarrow s\bar{s}$



(b) $q\bar{q} \rightarrow s\bar{s}$



J. Rafelski, B. Müller, Phys. Rev. Lett. 48 (1982) 1066

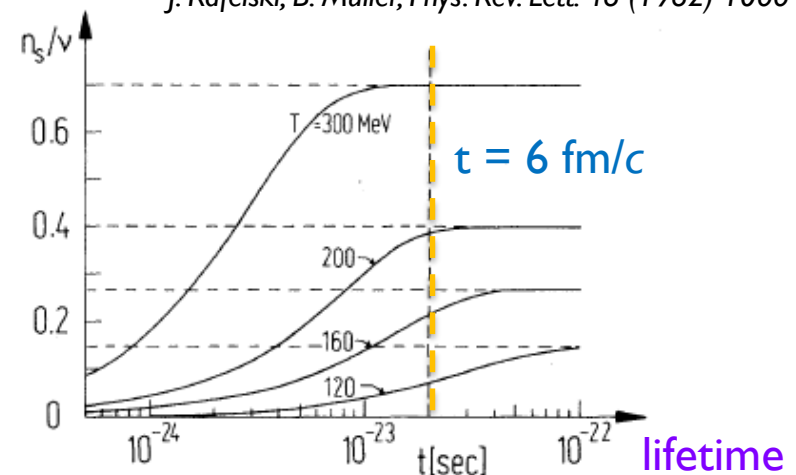
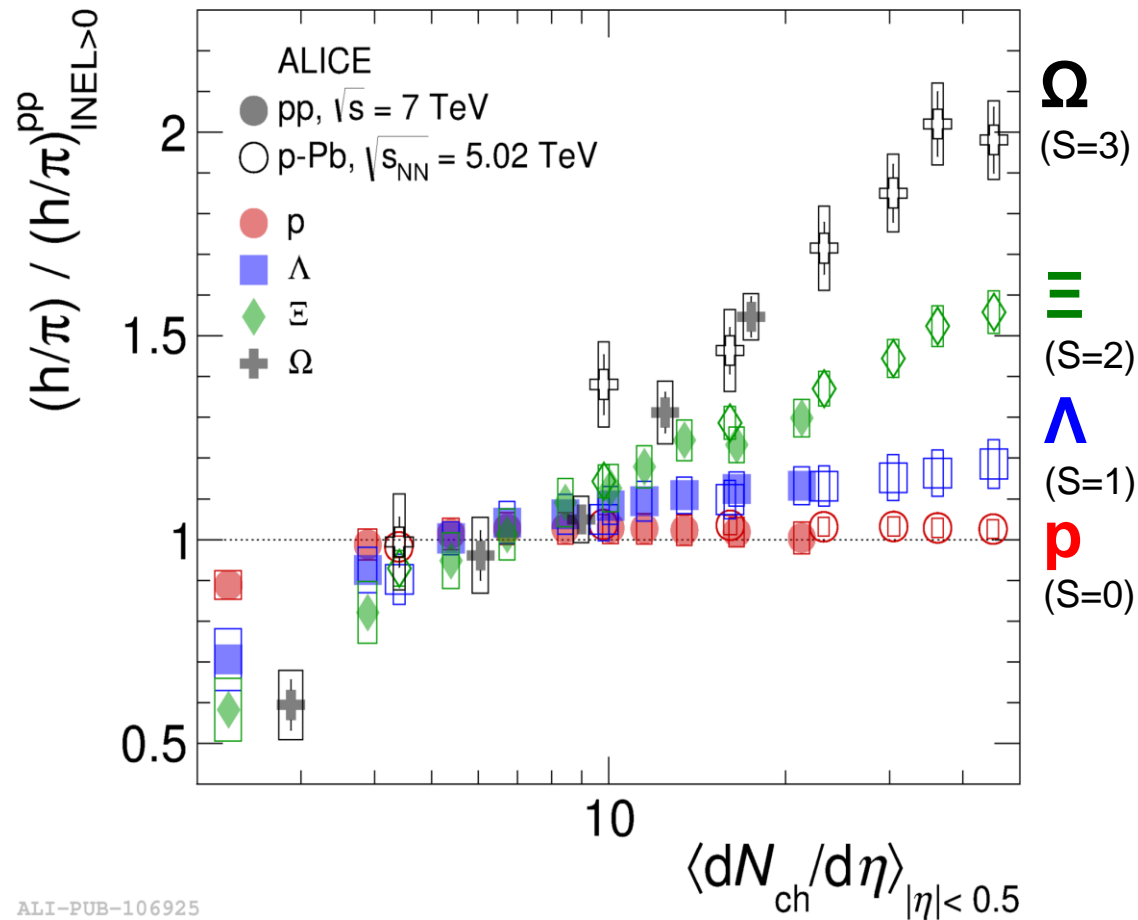


FIG. 3. Time evolution of the relative strange-quark to baryon-number abundance in the plasma for various

Strangeness enhancement in pp



No increase for p/ π is observed

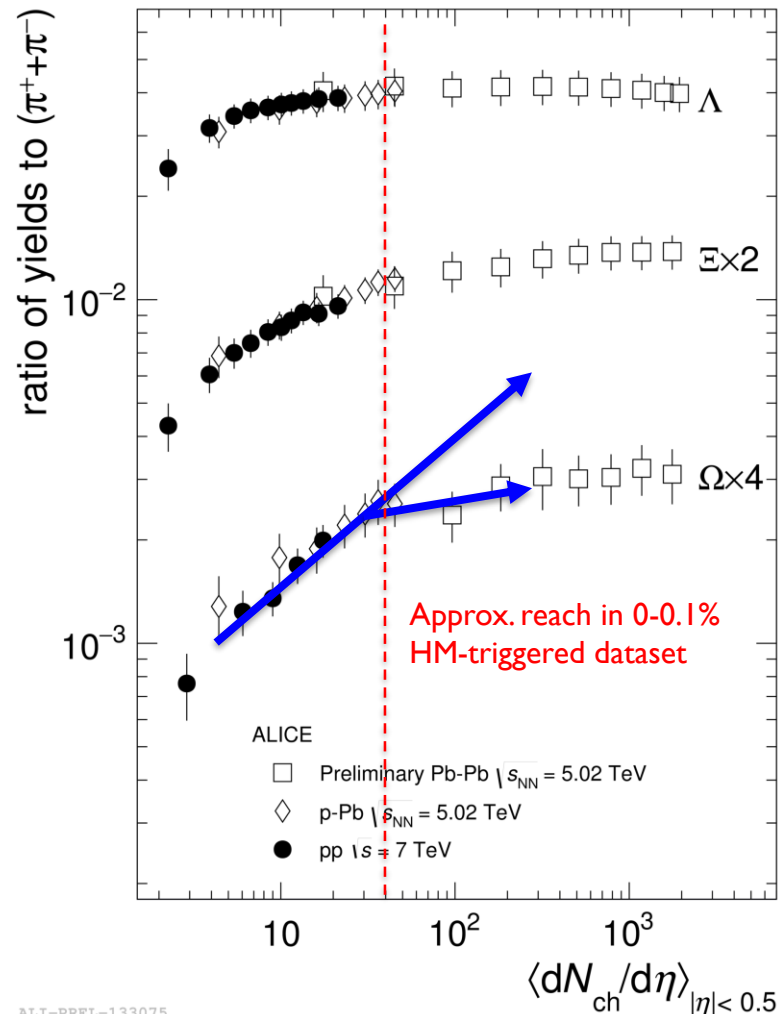
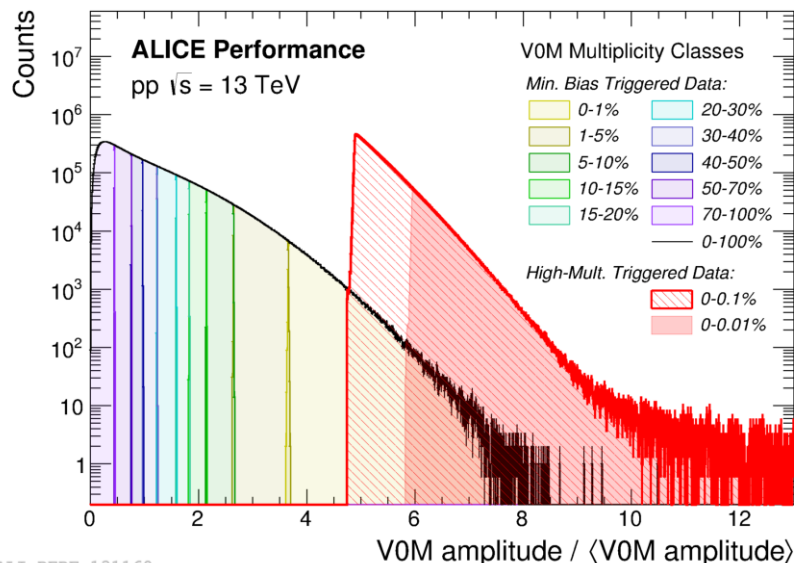
Hierarchy of the increase associated with the strangeness content

What's next?

① Does strangeness keep increasing with multiplicity or saturate?

High multiplicity-triggered data sample in pp 13 TeV (2016, 2017) being analysed

Measure in p-Pb at 8.16 TeV, Xe-Xe at 5.44 TeV, more differential in peripheral Pb-Pb collisions (2018)



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What's next?

② Can we relate high multiplicity with soft- or hard-QCD dominated processes?

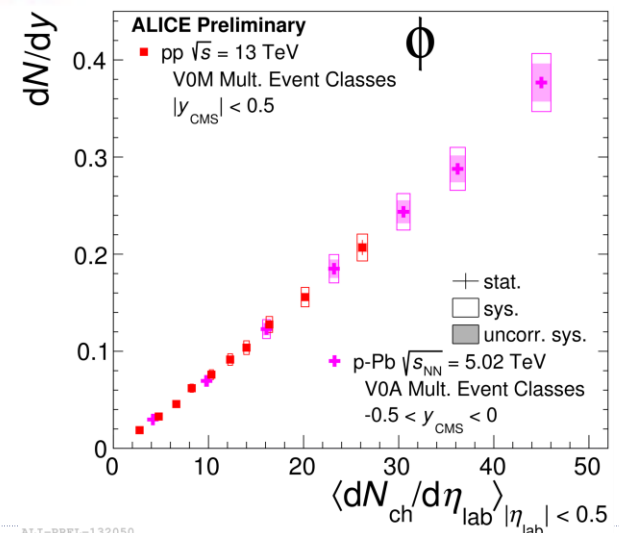
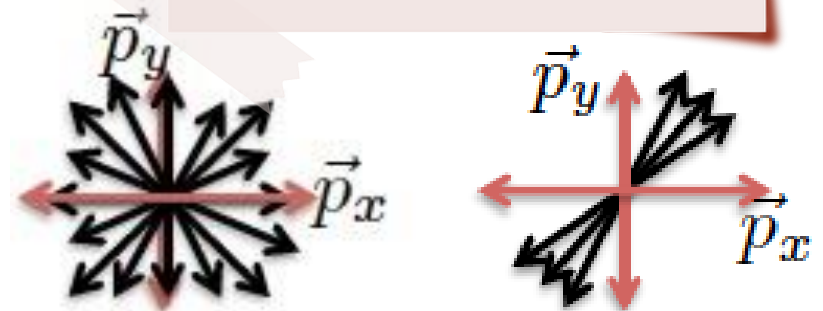
Use event shapes as tools to select jetty/isotropic events in high multiplicity PP

② Can the ϕ meson provide further insights on strangeness production vs multiplicity?

Measure more differential (event shapes?), extract ϕ/π , improve precision

③ New observables...

Ongoing studies on inclusive charged and identified particle production vs transverse sphericity and multiplicity



COLLECTIVITY IN SMALL SYSTEMS

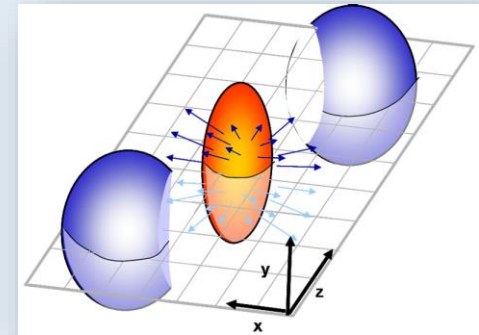
Collectivity (in short)

“Loose” definition: correlations of (more than 2) particles across rapidity due to a common source

Origin of collectivity:

- **Initial state** correlations \rightarrow among hadrons in the final state arise from momentum correlations at partonic level [gluon saturation, CGC]
- **Final state** correlations \rightarrow anisotropies and correlations in space converted into anisotropies in momentum space, e.g. via hydrodynamic flow [established in Pb-Pb collisions]

Flow in heavy-ion collisions



$$E \frac{d^3N}{dp^3} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d^2N}{p_T dp_T dy} \left(1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \cos[n(\varphi - \Psi_n)] \right),$$

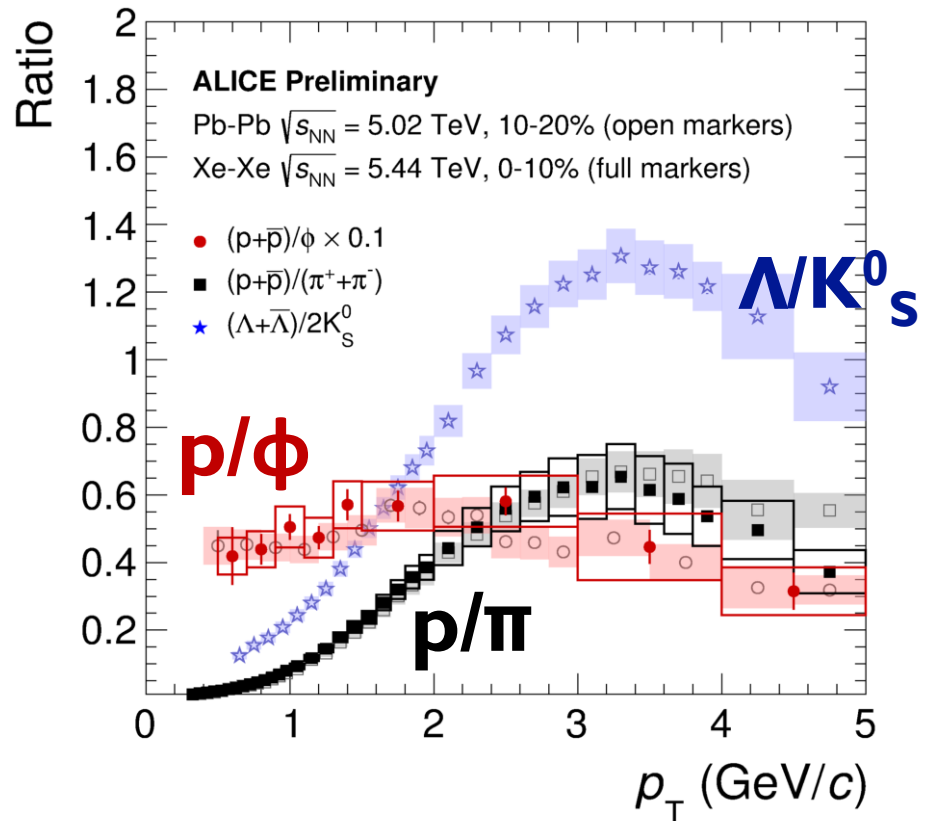
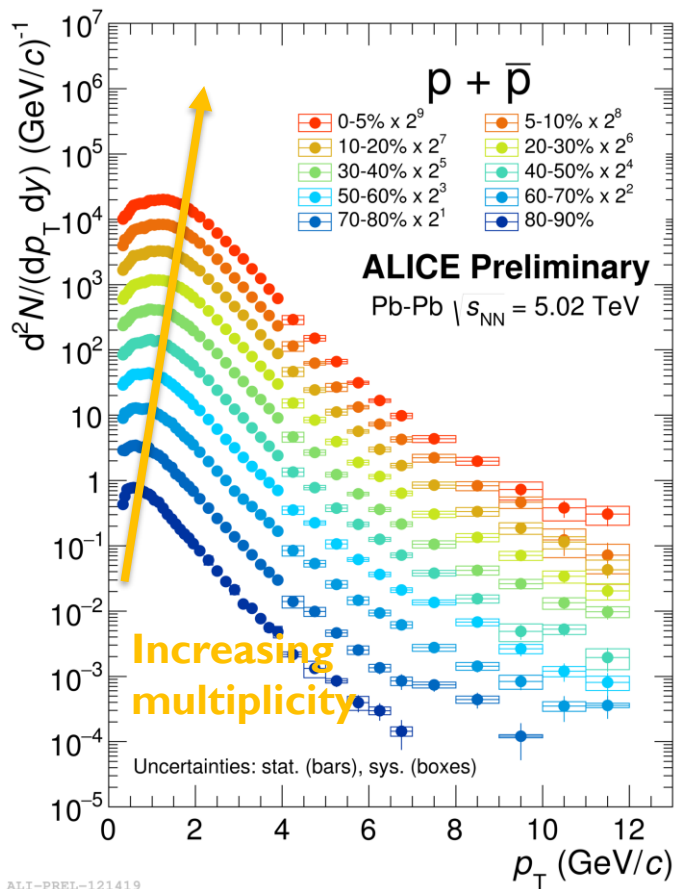
Characteristic features:

- Multiplicity dependence
- Higher harmonics azimuthal flow
- Mass scaling of v_2
- Correlations between harmonics

The hallmarks of flow in AA collisions

Increase in mean p_T with increasing centrality \rightarrow Push from radial flow affects low p_T part of spectra

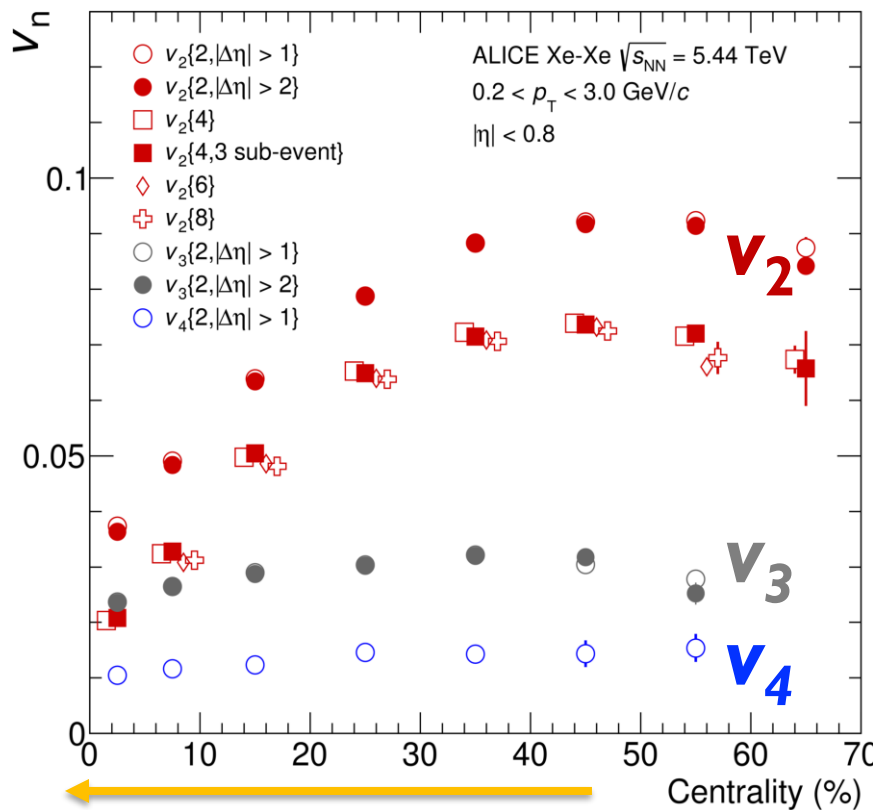
Baryon-to-meson ratios (with Δm) \rightarrow sensitive to particle production mechanisms (radial flow at low p_T , recombination at mid- p_T)



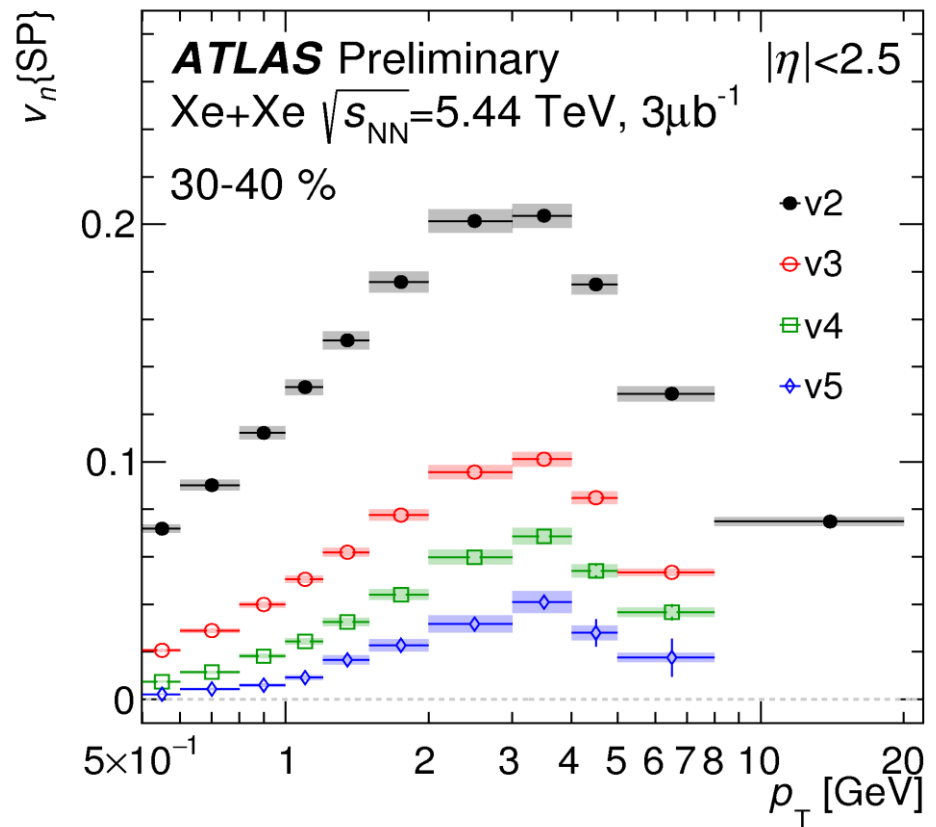
The hallmarks of flow in AA collisions

Centrality / multiplicity dependence
 → reflects the degree of “anisotropy”
 in the initial geometry of the collision

Non-zero higher-order flow coefficients
 (“harmonics”) → sensitivity to
 fluctuations of initial geometry



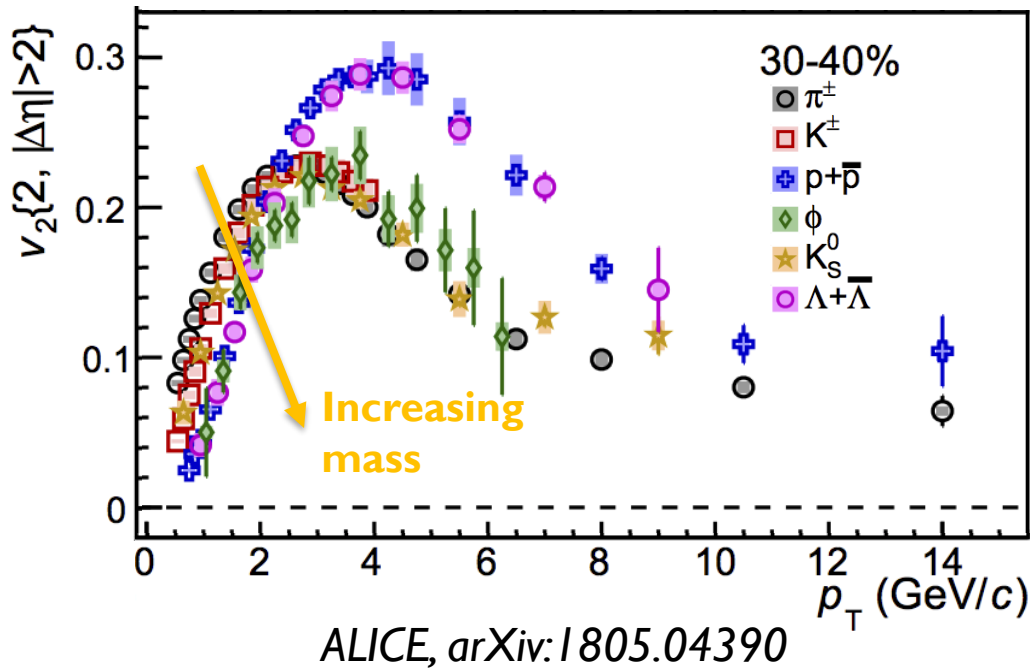
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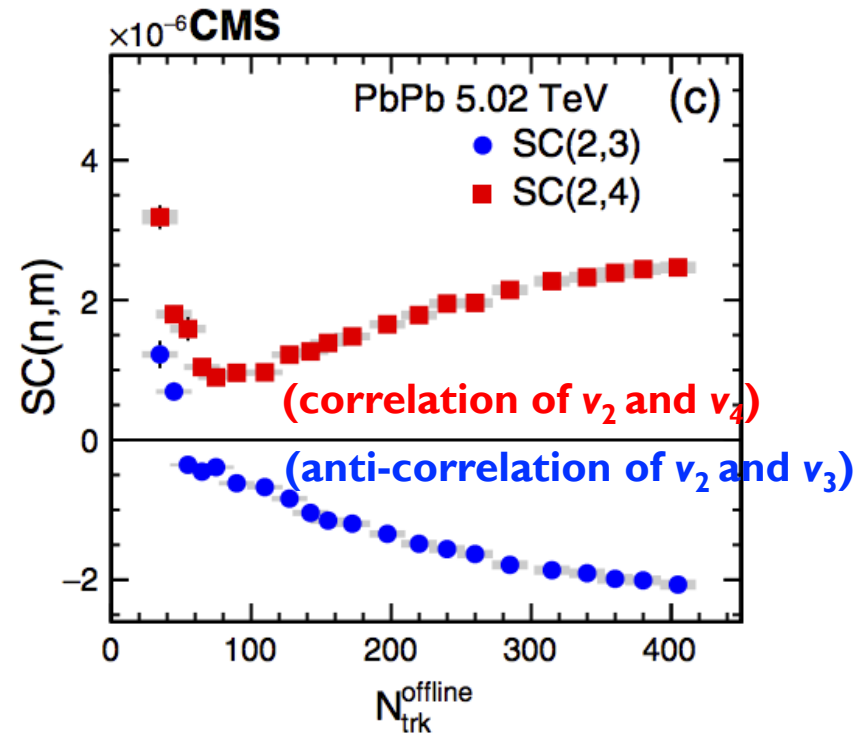
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The hallmarks of flow in AA collisions

Mass scaling of flow coefficients
 → Expansion under a common velocity field



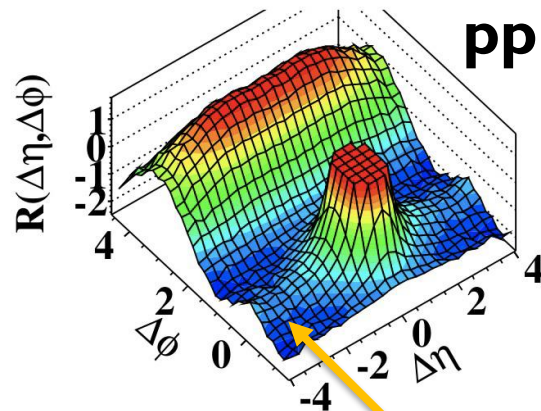
Correlations between harmonics
 → Sensitivity to fluctuations in initial geometry (v_2, v_3) and medium-transport properties (v_2, v_4)



CMS, PRL 120, 092301 (2018)

Signs of collectivity in small systems

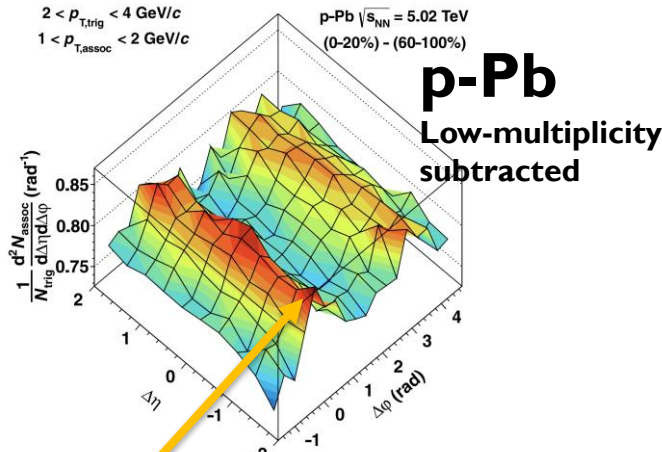
(d) CMS $N \geq 110$, $1.0 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 3.0 \text{ GeV}/c$



pp

$2 < p_{T, \text{trig}} < 4 \text{ GeV}/c$
 $1 < p_{T, \text{assoc}} < 2 \text{ GeV}/c$

p-Pb $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$
 (0-20%) - (60-100%)



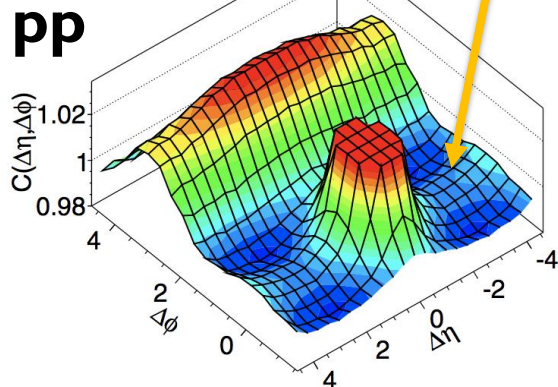
p-Pb
 Low-multiplicity
 subtracted

Signs of collectivity in **small systems** “discovered” at the LHC in terms of long-range ($2 < |\Delta\eta| < 4$) near-side ($\Delta\phi = 0$) “ridge” in 2-particle correlations, visible in **high multiplicity** pp, p-Pb, Pb-p collisions

Near side ridge

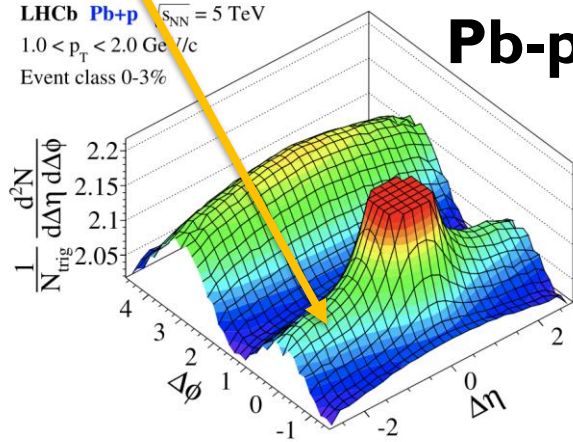
ATLAS pp
 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$, 64 nb^{-1}

$0.5 < p_T^{a,b} < 5 \text{ GeV}$
 $N_{ch}^{rec} \geq 120$



pp

LHCb Pb+p $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5 \text{ TeV}$
 $1.0 < p_T < 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c$
 Event class 0-3%



Pb-p

Are these long-range correlations coming from (hydrodynamic) flow?

→ Investigated with new measurements with run 2 data, new analysis techniques

ATLAS, PRC 96, (2017) 024908

LHCb, PLB 762 (2016) 473–483

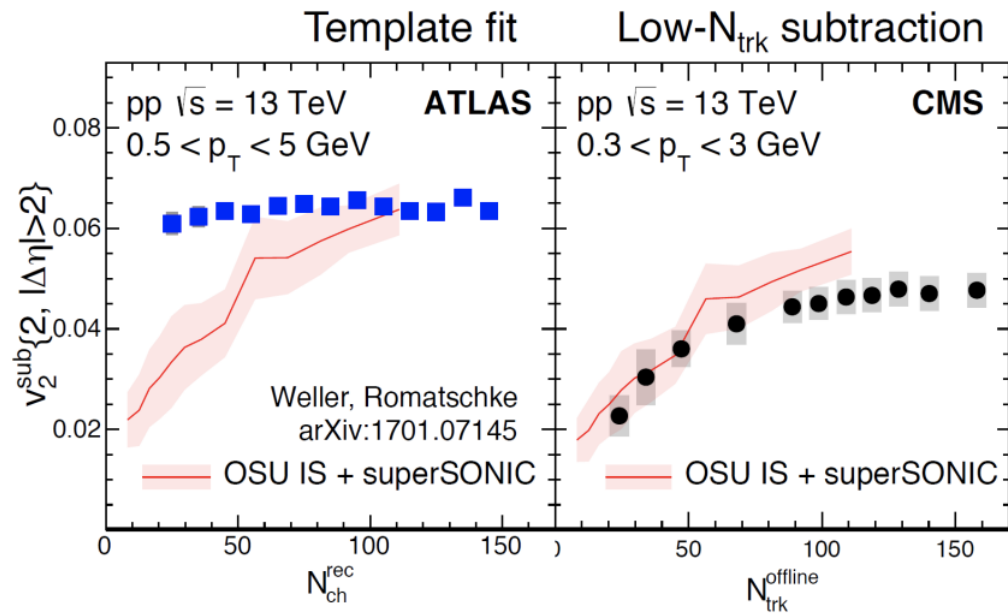
The challenge of removing “non-flow”

In **small systems** the contribution of **non-flow** cannot be neglected:

- Different contribution from jets
- Larger fluctuations in the number of particle sources

A word of **caution**:

- Sensitivity to the event class definitions used in analysis
[ATLAS, EPJ C (2017) 77-428]
- Sensitivity to strategy for non-flow background subtraction



**Non-flow subtraction / suppression is a delicate business in pp, p-Pb!
Big effort ongoing in defining “smart” observables / new techniques**

If collectivity, it involves more than 2 particles

Measure elliptic flow v_2 using correlations among k particles in a single event, subtracting correlations from smaller number of particles

[A. Bilanvic et al., PRC 83 (2011) 044913]

Multi-particle cumulants, $c_n\{k\}$

$$c_n\{2\} = \langle\langle 2 \rangle\rangle = \langle\langle \cos n(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2) \rangle\rangle$$

$$c_n\{4\} = \langle\langle 4 \rangle\rangle - 2 \langle\langle 2 \rangle\rangle^2$$

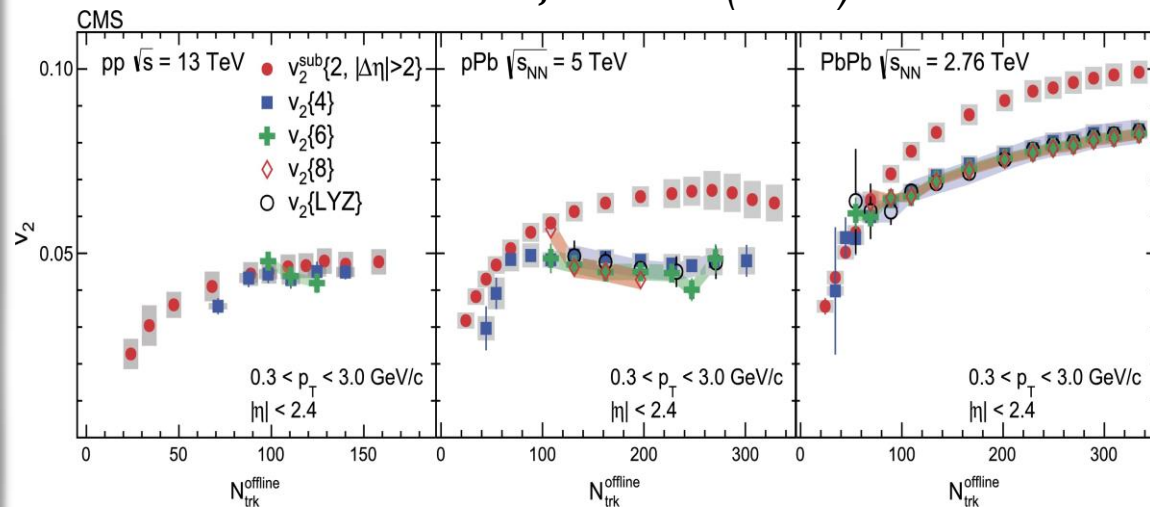
$$c_n\{6\} = \langle\langle 6 \rangle\rangle - 9 \langle\langle 4 \rangle\rangle \langle\langle 2 \rangle\rangle + 12 \langle\langle 2 \rangle\rangle^3$$

Related to the flow harmonics, $v_n\{k\}$

$$v_n\{2\} = \sqrt{c_n\{2\}}, \quad v_n\{4\} = \sqrt[4]{-c_n\{4\}},$$

$$v_n\{6\} = \sqrt[6]{c_n\{6\}/4}.$$

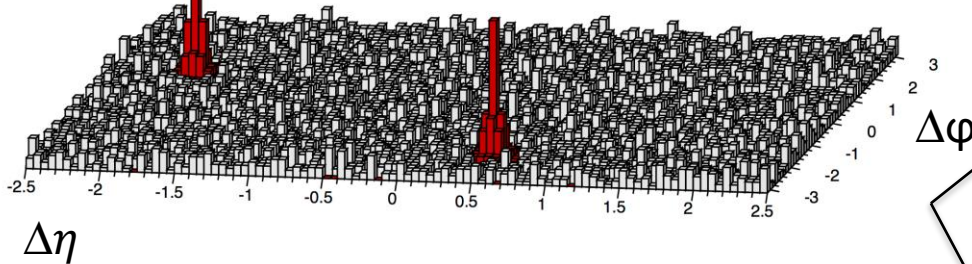
CMS, PLB 765 (2017) 193



If long-range, correlations stay across sub-events

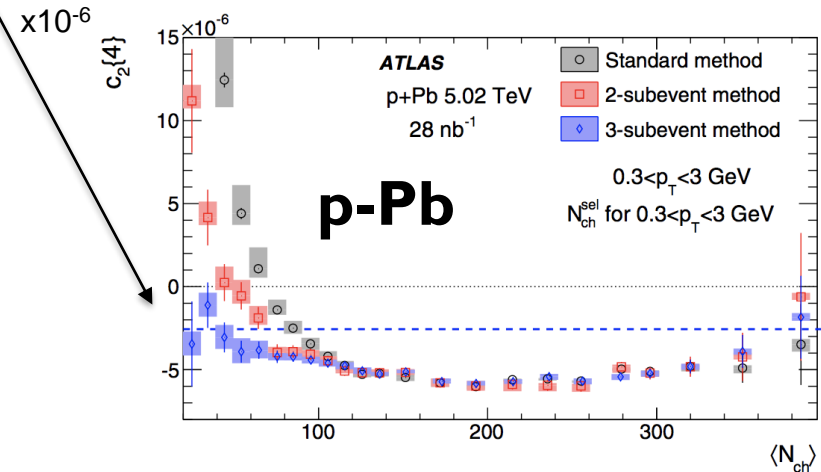
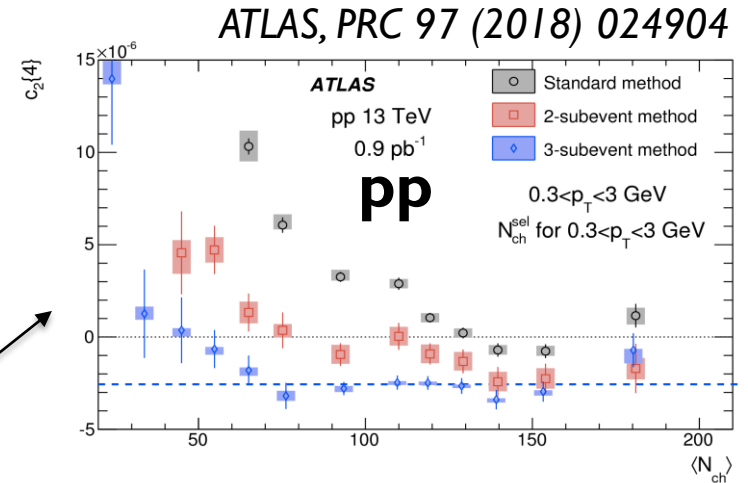
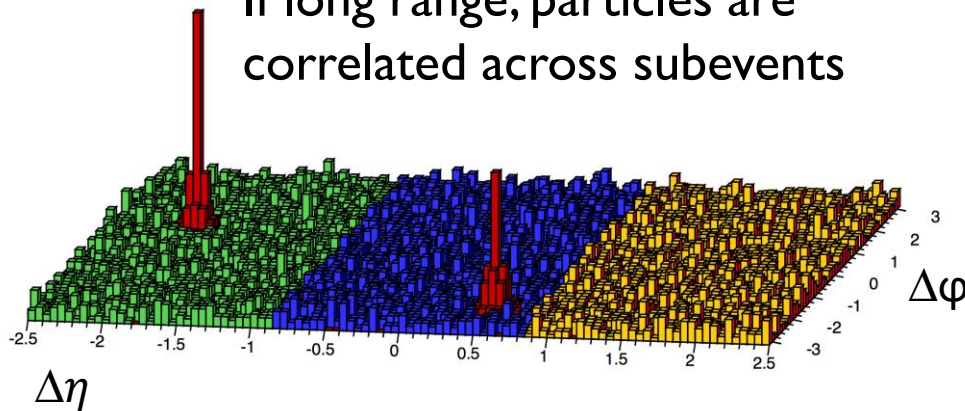
Whole event

Jets (short-range) contribute to correlations (e.g. 4-particle corr.)



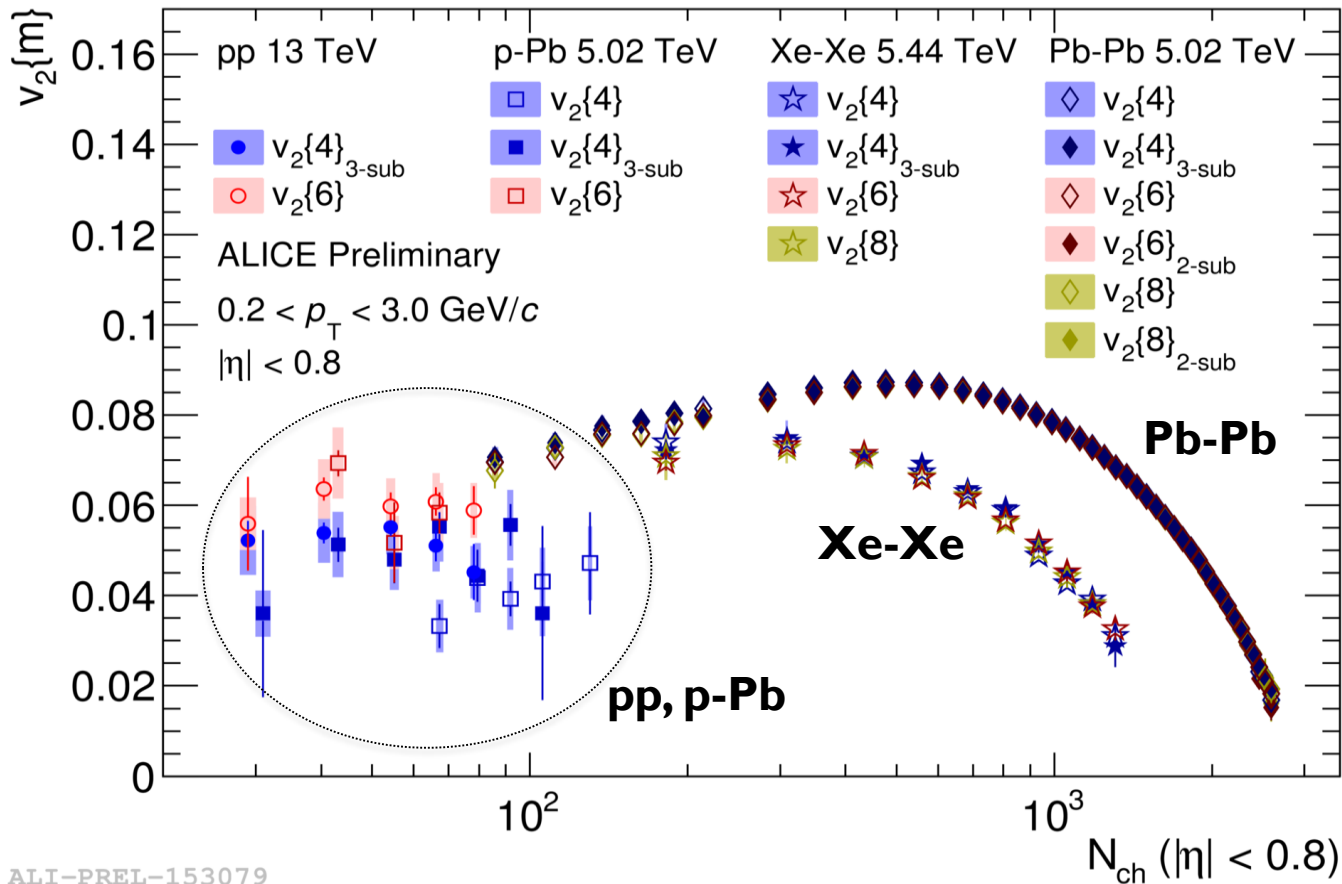
≥ 2 Sub-events

If long range, particles are correlated across subevents



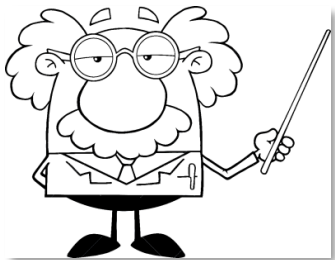
Figures from M. Zhou, QM 2017
J. Jia et al., PRC 96, 034906 (2017)

True collectivity in small systems!

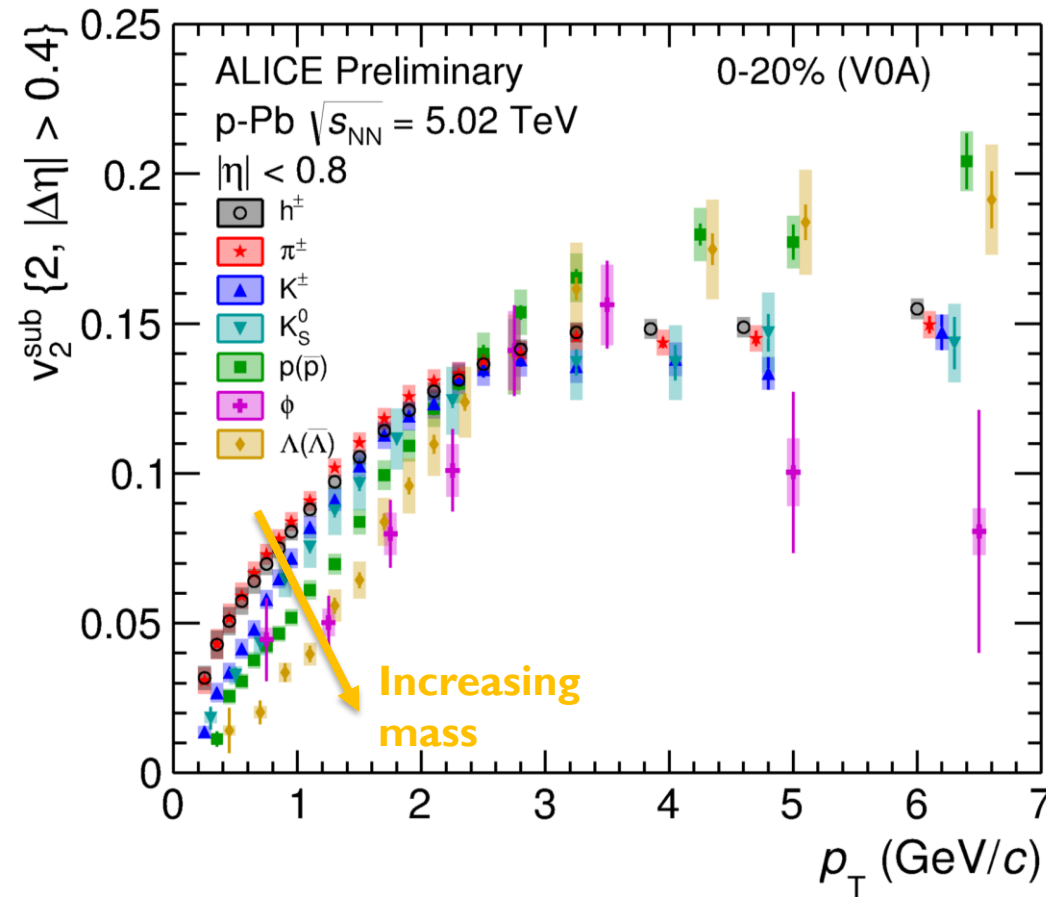


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$v_2\{4\} \approx v_2\{6\} \approx v_2\{8\} \rightarrow$ true collectivity (even) in smallest systems
 $v_2\{2\}$ larger \rightarrow residual “non-flow”



Light-flavor particle v_2



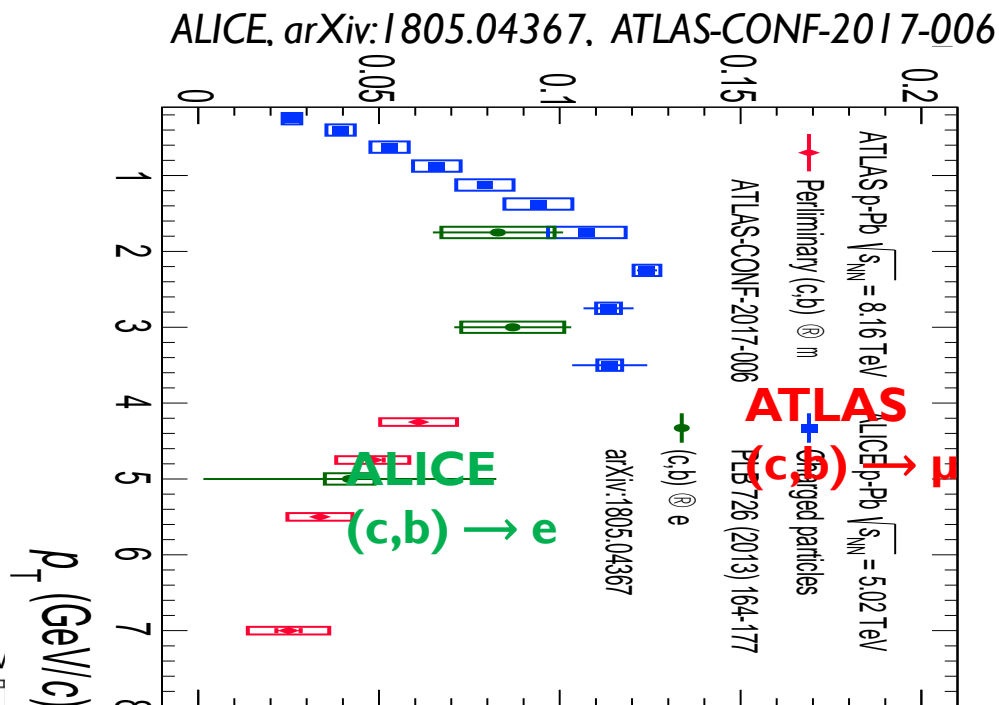
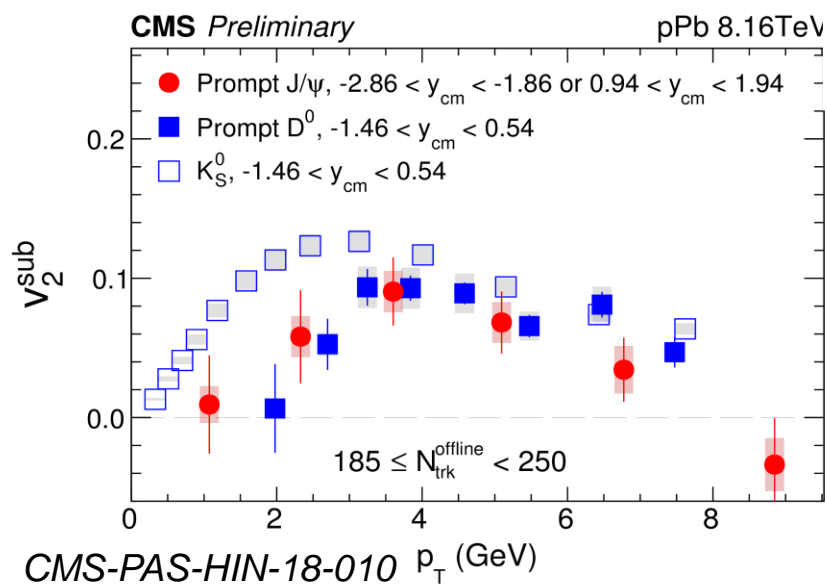
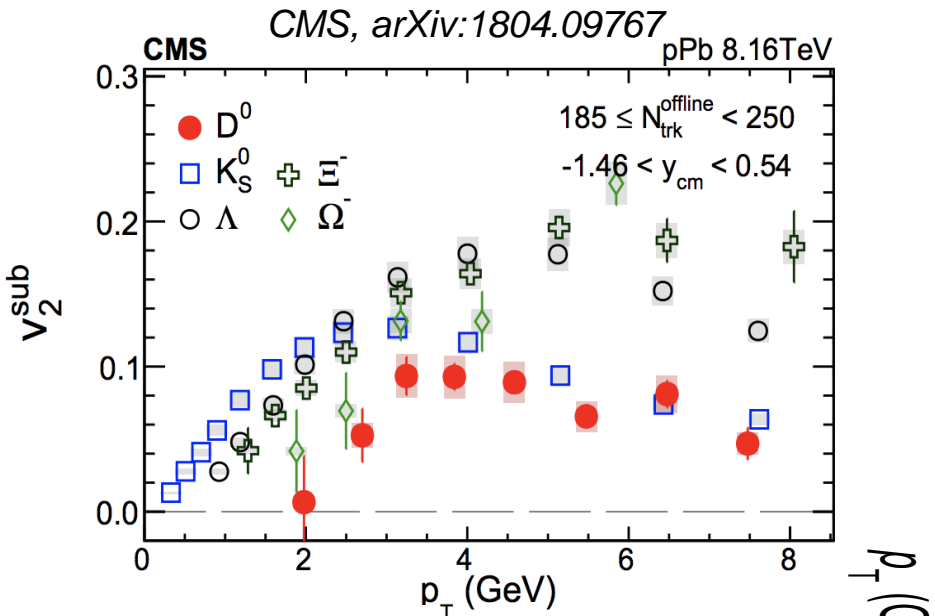
Clear **mass ordering** at low p_T in p-Pb from new results on v_2^{sub} for identified hadrons

Consistent with hydrodynamics (and AA)

BUT also reproducible with other model with initial state effects!!!

P. Tribedy, QM2018

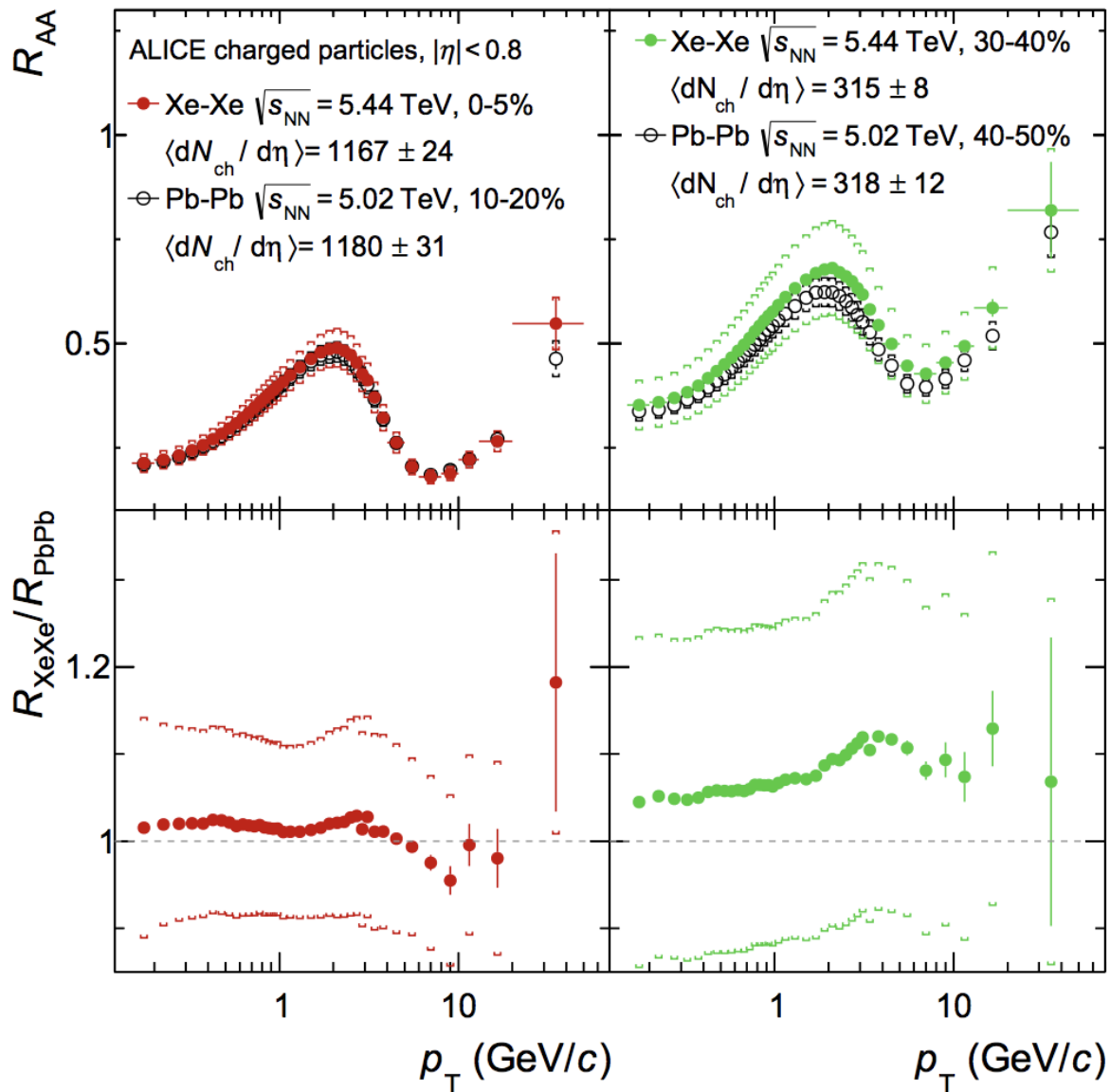
Heavy-flavor particle v_2 in p-Pb



Both light- and heavy-flavour hadrons show large azimuthal anisotropy in p-Pb collisions, up to 7-8 GeV/c

ADDITIONAL SLIDES

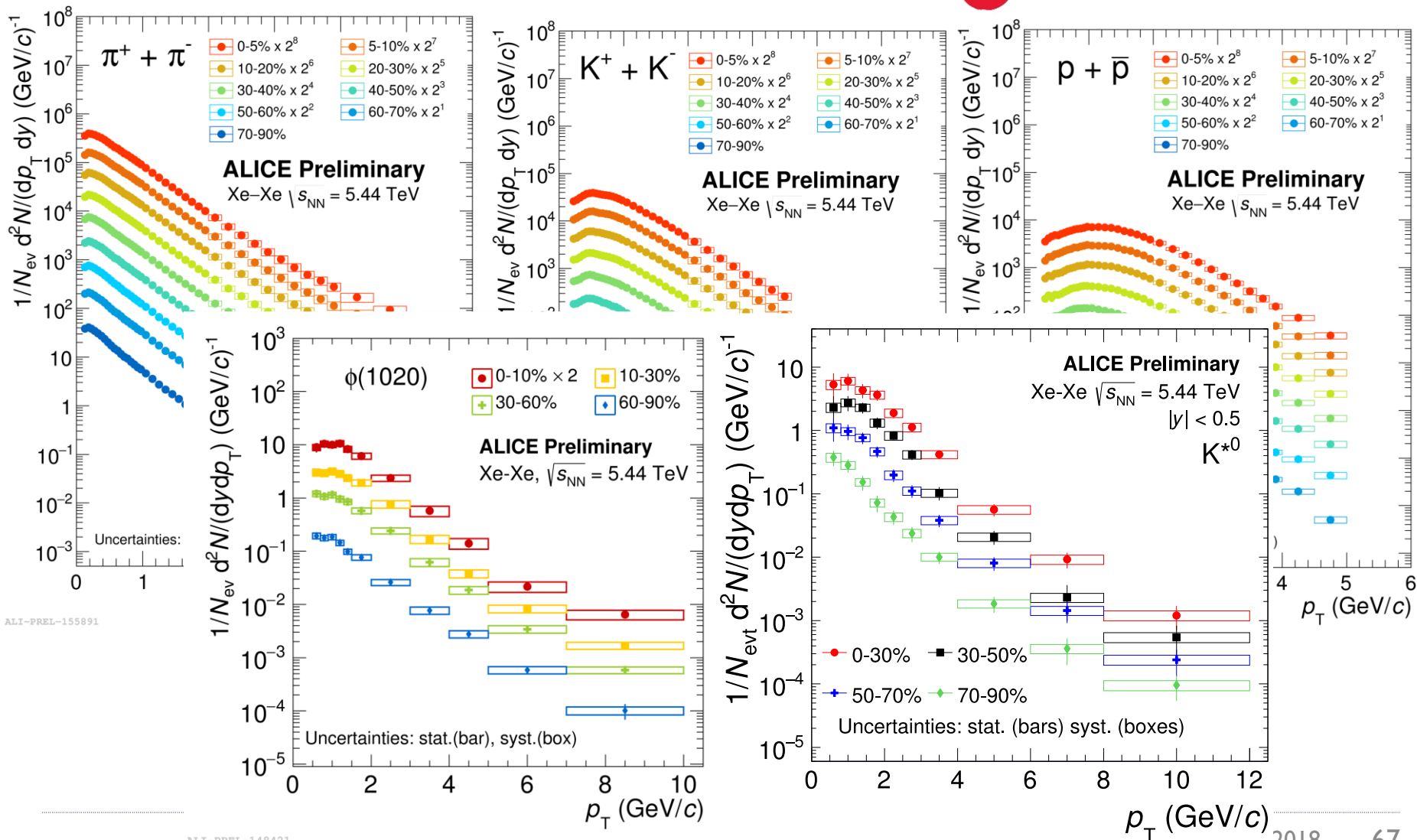
$R_{\Delta\Delta}$ in Pb-Pb and Xe-Xe



R_{AA} in Xe-Xe and Pb-Pb consistent if compared at similar charged particle multiplicity

Identified particle production in $|y| < 0.5$

NEW: Xe-Xe 5.44 TeV



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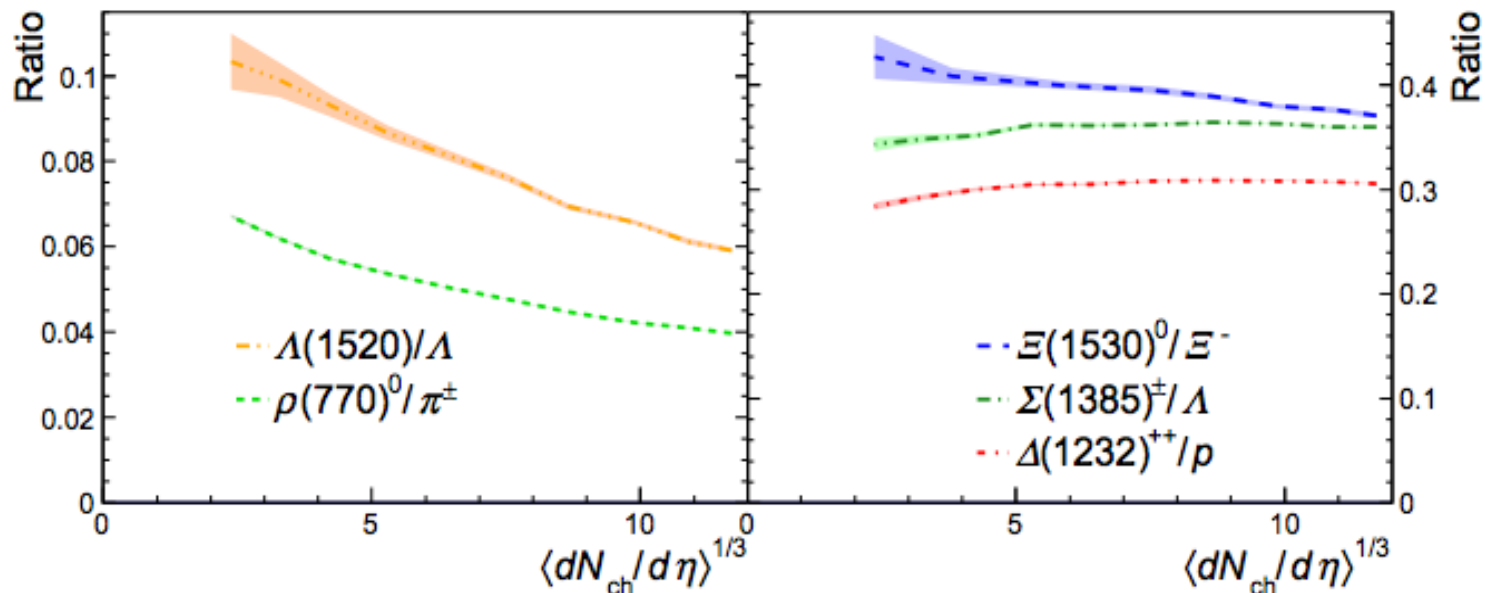
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Probing the hadronic phase with resonances

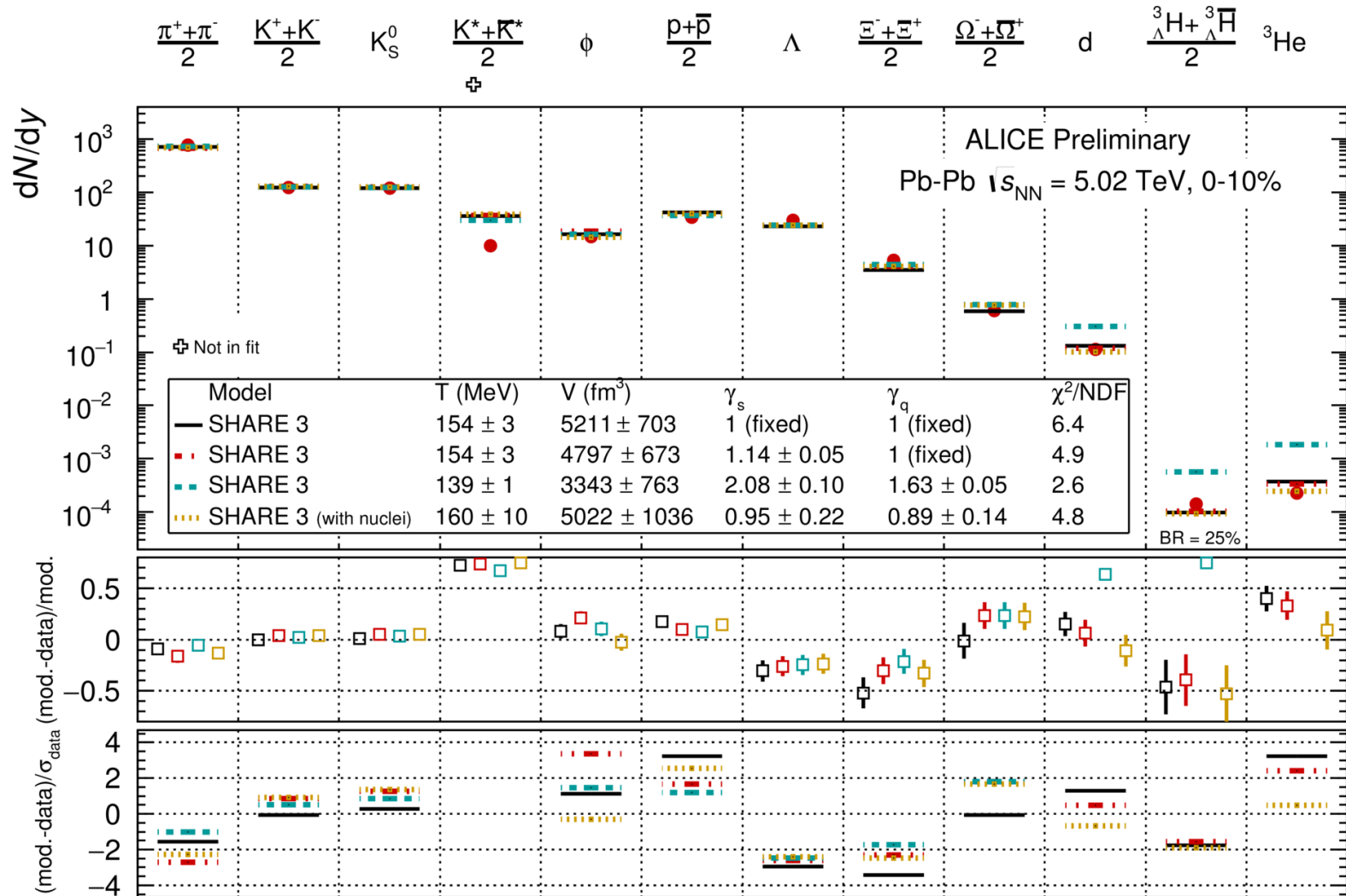
Key measurements:

- Resonance yields and **ratios to long-lived particles vs. centrality**
 - Re-scattering effects expected to be stronger in central collisions, as the medium is denser and lasts longer
 - Depending on the species, regeneration effects might be dominant (e.g. Σ^*)
- Spectra **down to low p_T**
 - Improve precision on the yields by minimising the extrapolated fraction
 - UrQMD predicts the largest effects for $p_T < 2$ GeV/c

A. Knospe et al. Phys. Rev. C 93 (2016) 014911



SHARE fit – Pb-Pb 5.02 TeV (0-10%)

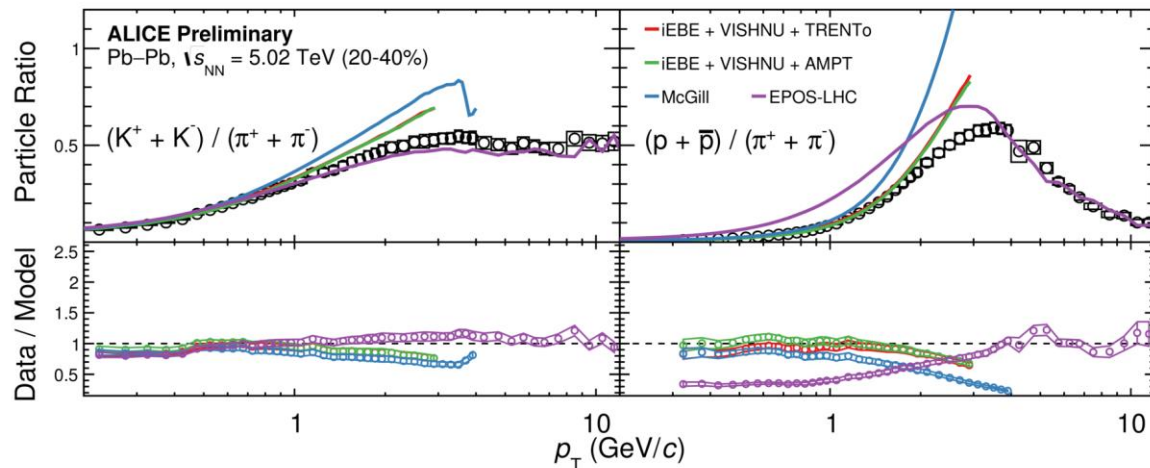
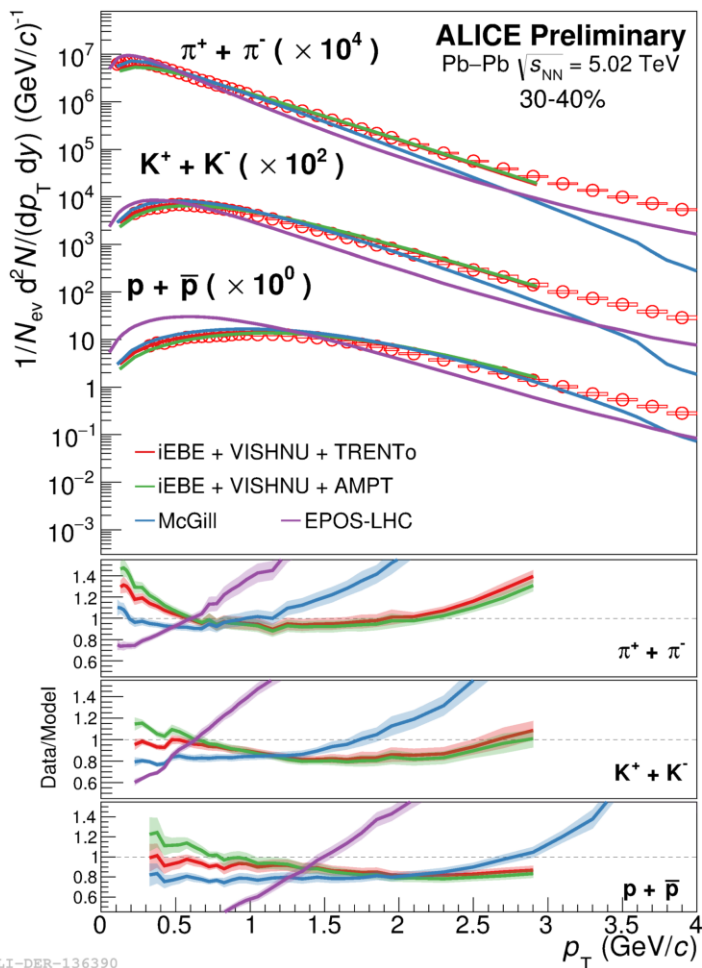


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SHARE: M. Petran et al. PRC88 (2013) 3, 034907

Hydro model comparison

– semi-central Pb-Pb

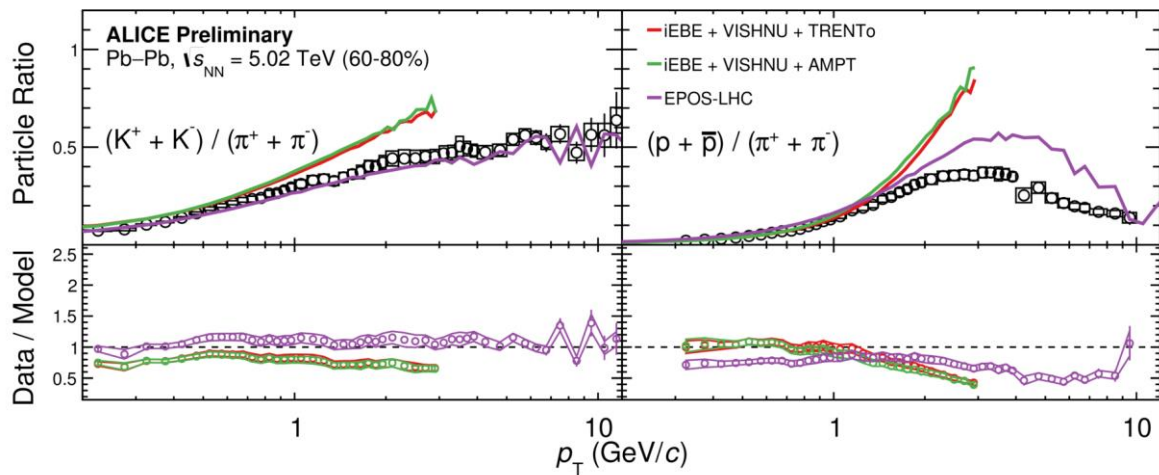
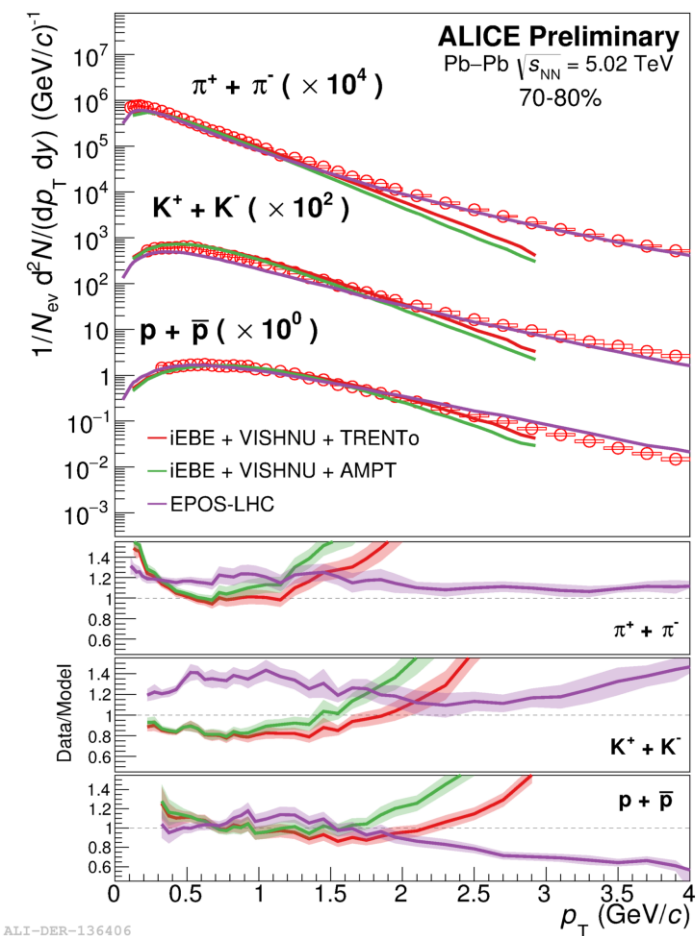


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Hydro model comparison

- peripheral Pb-Pb



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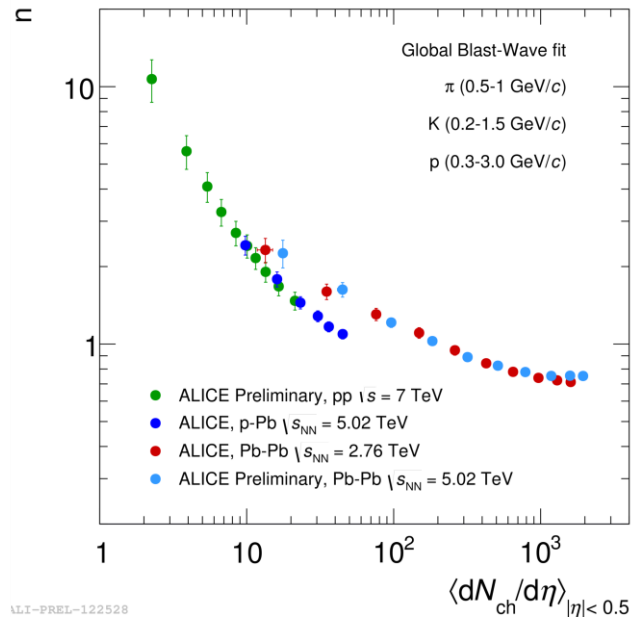
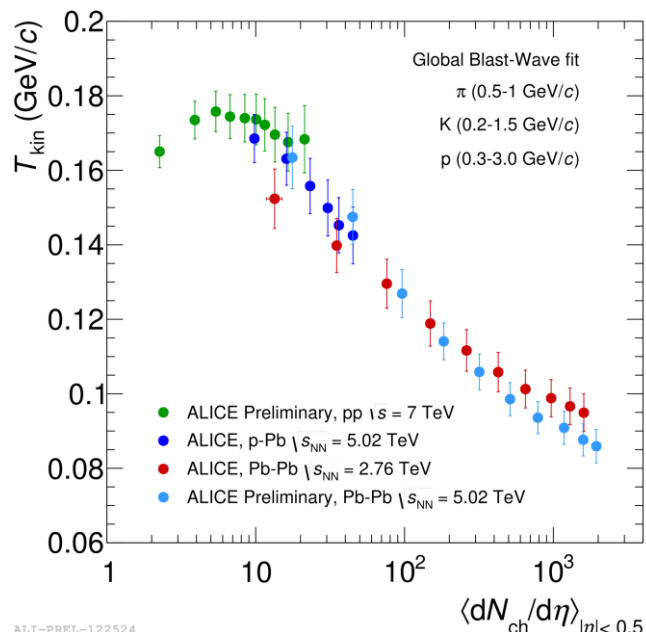
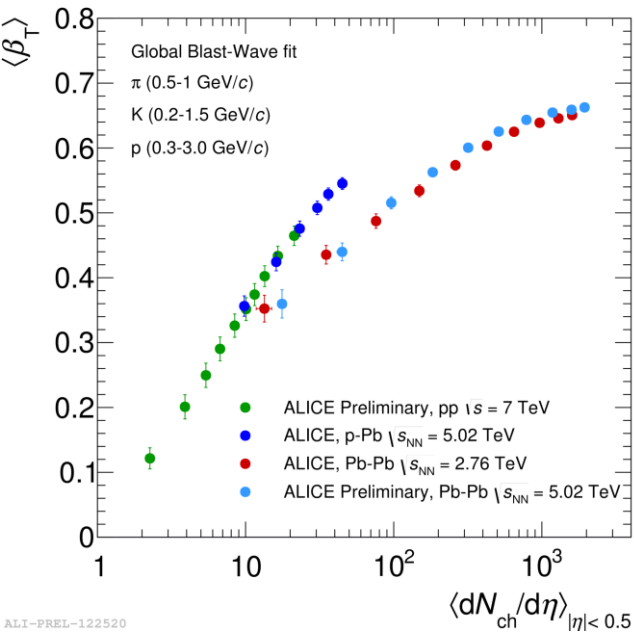
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Blast-Wave fits to particle spectra

Boltzmann-Gibbs Blast-Wave model [E. Schnedermann et al., Phys. Rev. C48 (1993) 2462]

A simplified hydrodynamic model with 3 free fit parameters:

- β_T : transverse radial flow velocity
- T_{kin} = kinetic freeze-out temperature
- n : velocity profile



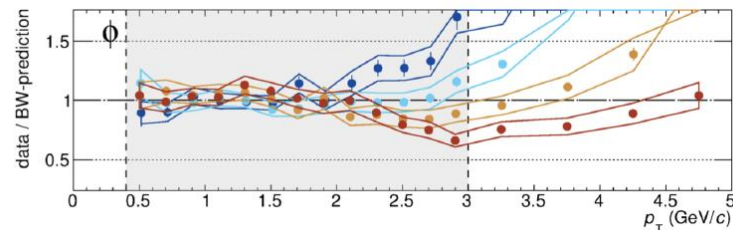
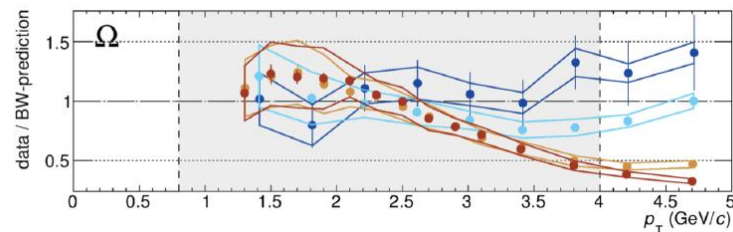
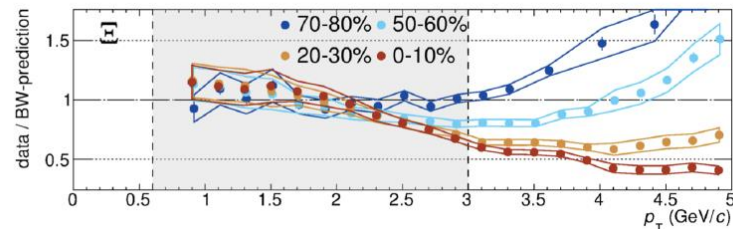
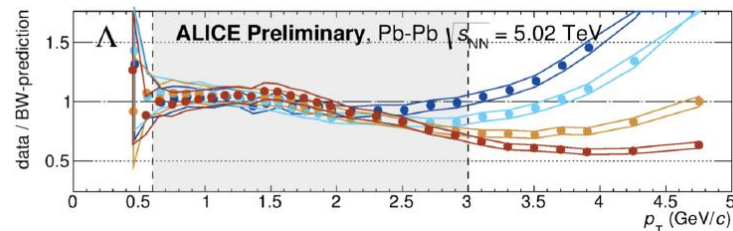
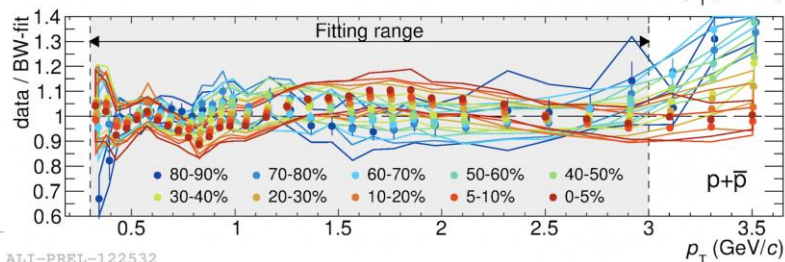
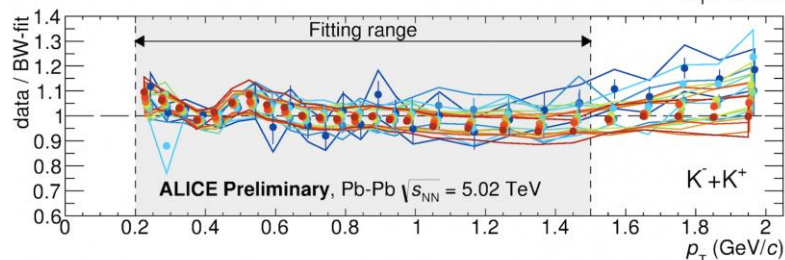
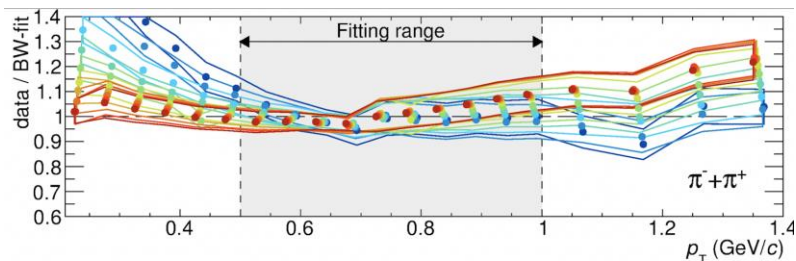
Blast-Wave fits - Pb-Pb

Caveats:

- Sensitivity to fit range: low p_T particle spectra affected by resonance decay in the hadronic phase
- Sensitivity to the set of particles included in the fit

π, K, p fitted

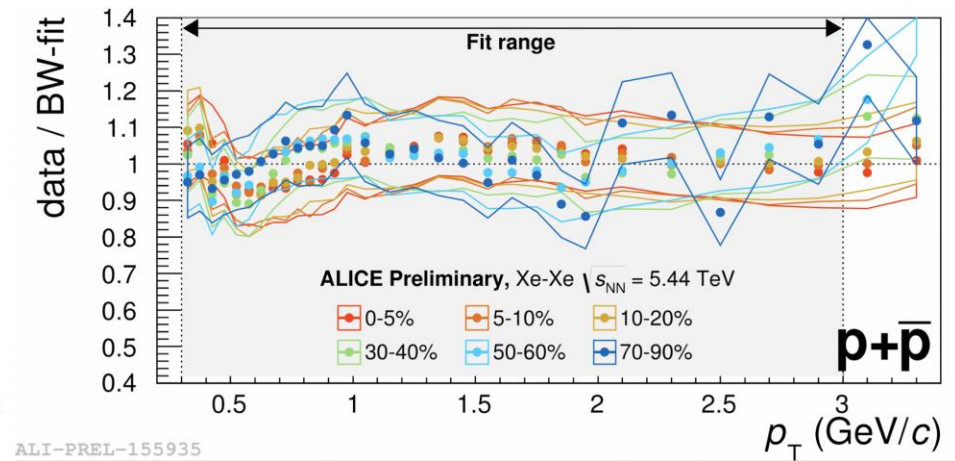
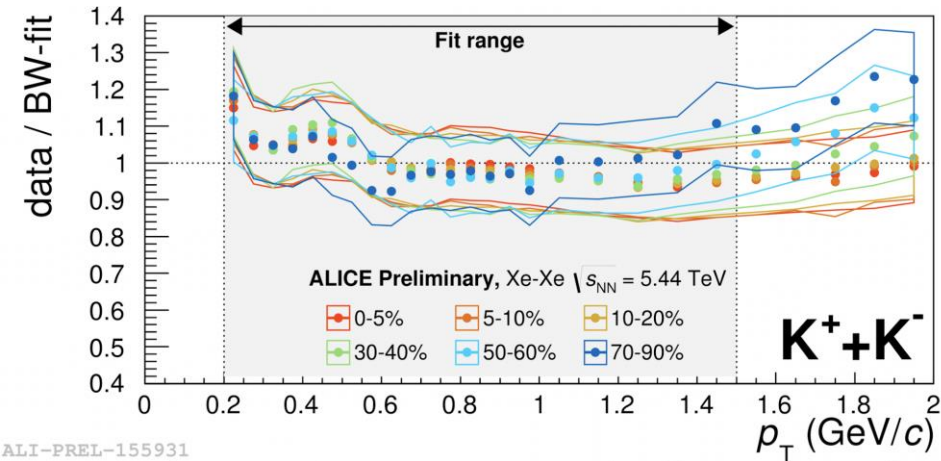
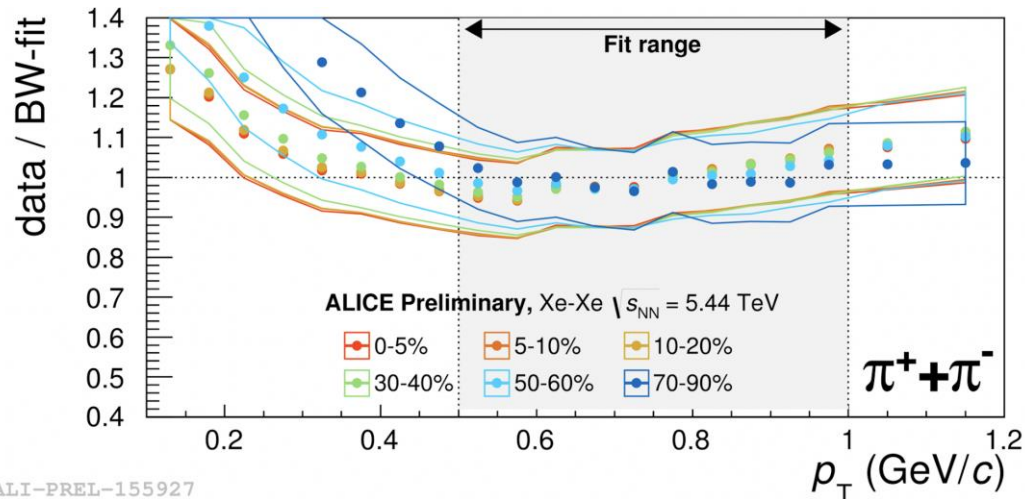
(gray bands indicate used fitting range)



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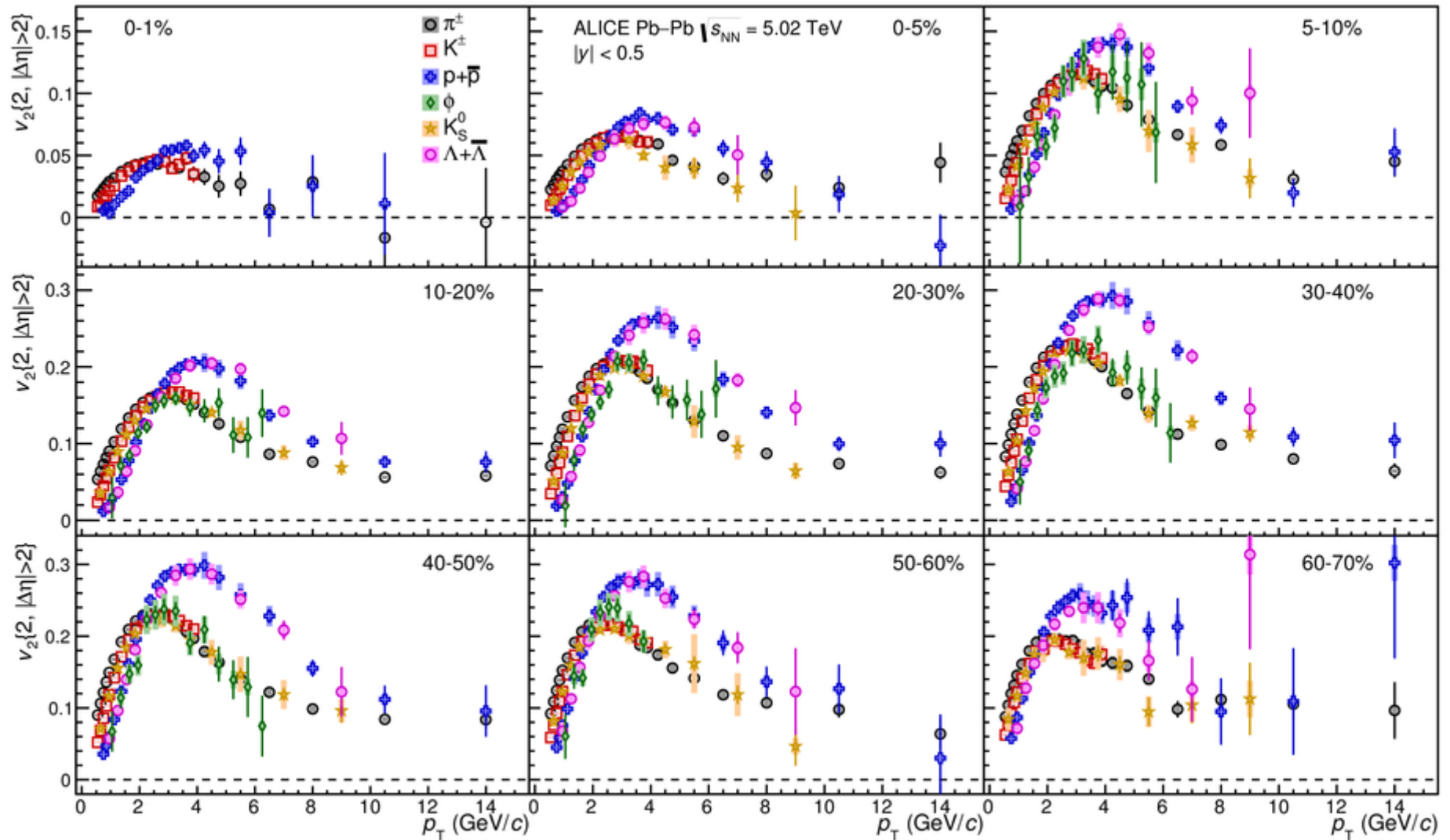
$\Lambda, \Xi, \Omega, \phi$ compared to prediction obtained from fit parameters resulting from π, K, p (gray bands indicate range in which fit works ok in Pb-Pb 2.76 TeV)

Blast-Wave fits - Xe-Xe

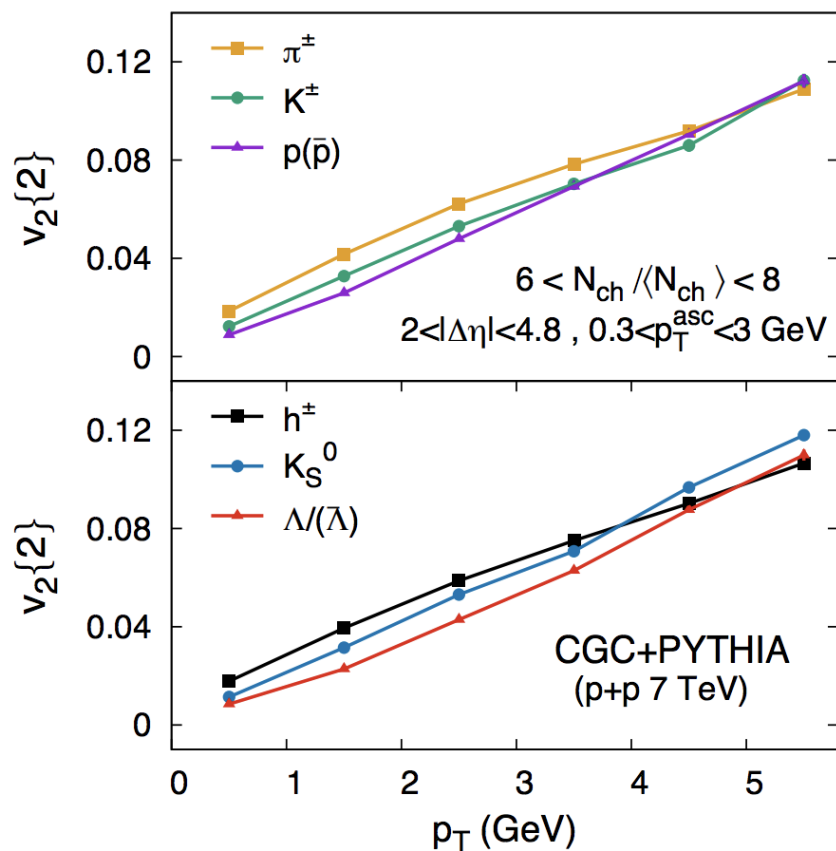


v_2 of identified hadrons in Pb-Pb 5.02 TeV

[arXiv:1805.04390](https://arxiv.org/abs/1805.04390)



Light-flavor particle v_2



P.Tribedy, Quark Matter 2018

Clear **mass ordering** at **low p_T** in p-Pb from new results on v_2^{sub} for identified hadrons

→ Consistent with hydrodynamics (and AA)

BUT it could also be due to other effects

- Initial stage effects (CGC + PYTHIA)
- Parton escape (AMPT)
- Hadronic rescattering (UrQMD)



Is mass ordering no longer an exclusive product of hydrodynamic flow?

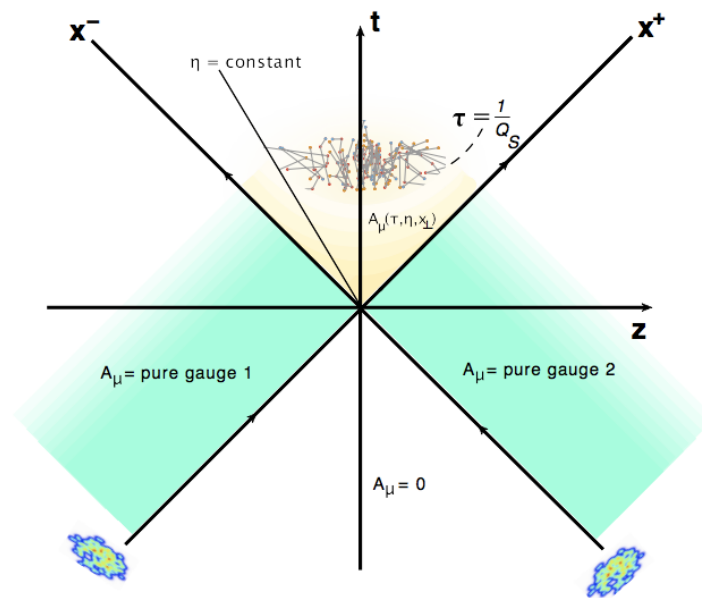
CGC + Pythia

CGC meets Lund String fragmentation of PYTHIA

CGC + PYTHIA : A new approach to simulate p+p & p+A collisions

- 1) Output distribution of Gluons from CGC based IP-Glasma model
- 2) Sample gluons in momentum space
- 3) Connect the gluons close in phase space to color neutral strings
- 4) Input to **PYTHIA** and fragment into final particles

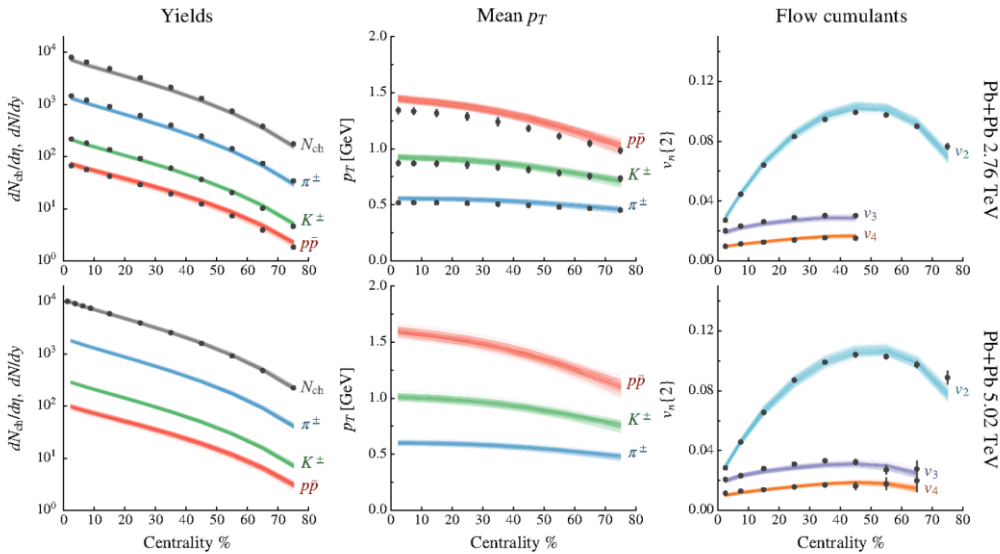
Schenke, PT, Venugopalan Phys. Rev. Lett. 108 (2012) 252301



PYTHIA (realistic mechanism of hadronization) → partonic correlations
from initial state dynamics → correlated production of final-state particles

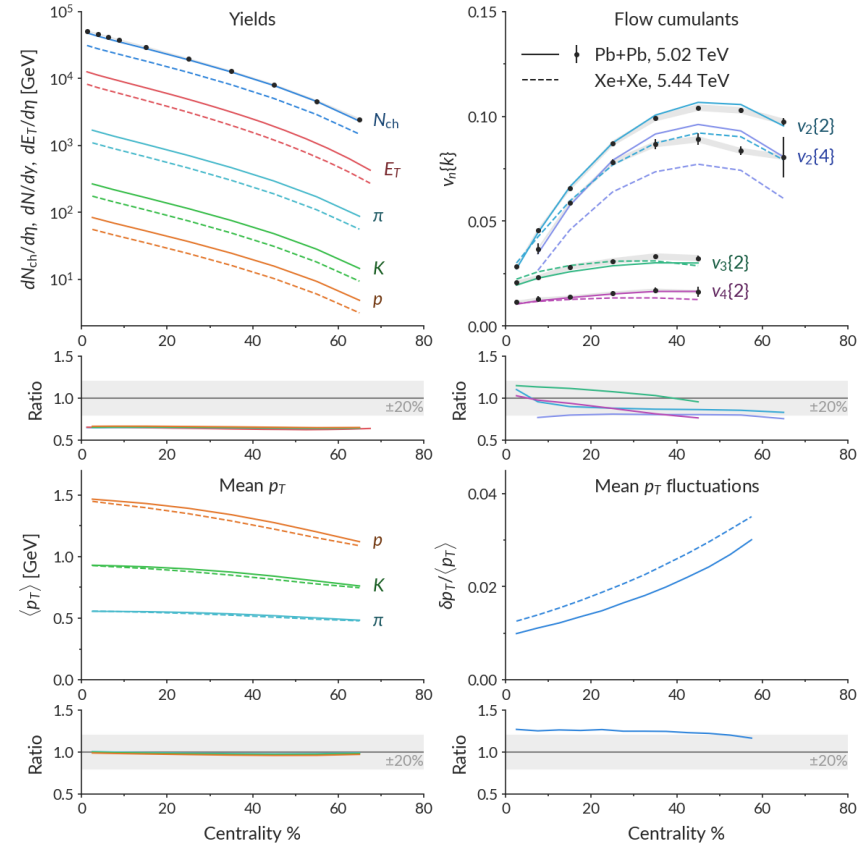
Bayesian analysis, Pb-Pb and Xe-Xe

QM 2017

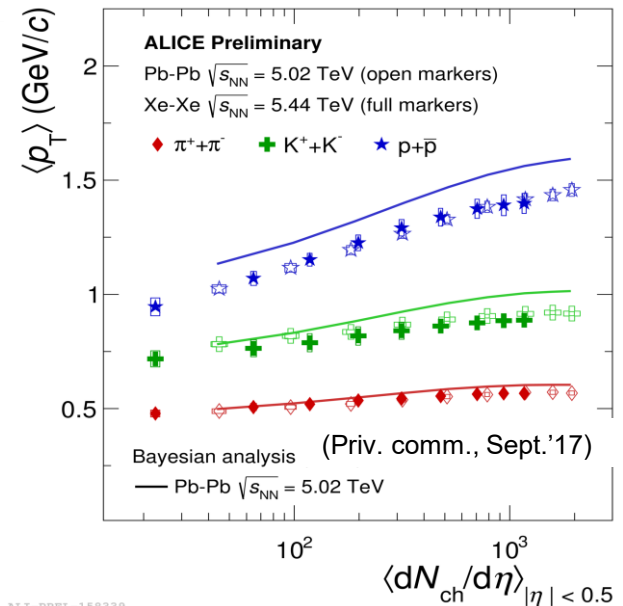
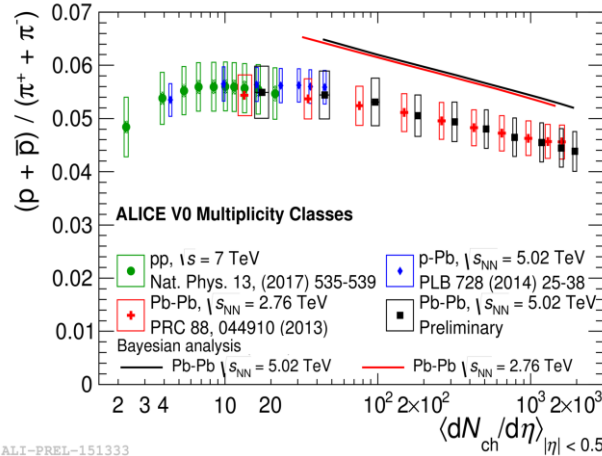
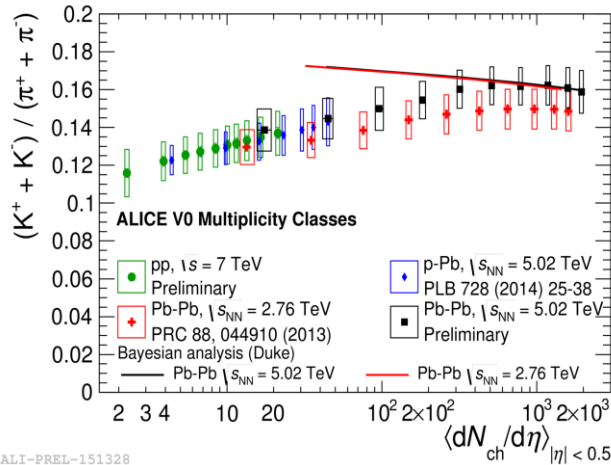


G. Bernhardt et al., NPA 967 (2017) 293–296 (top)
 J.S. Moreland et al., priv. comm. (right)

2018, new



Comparison to Bayesian analysis



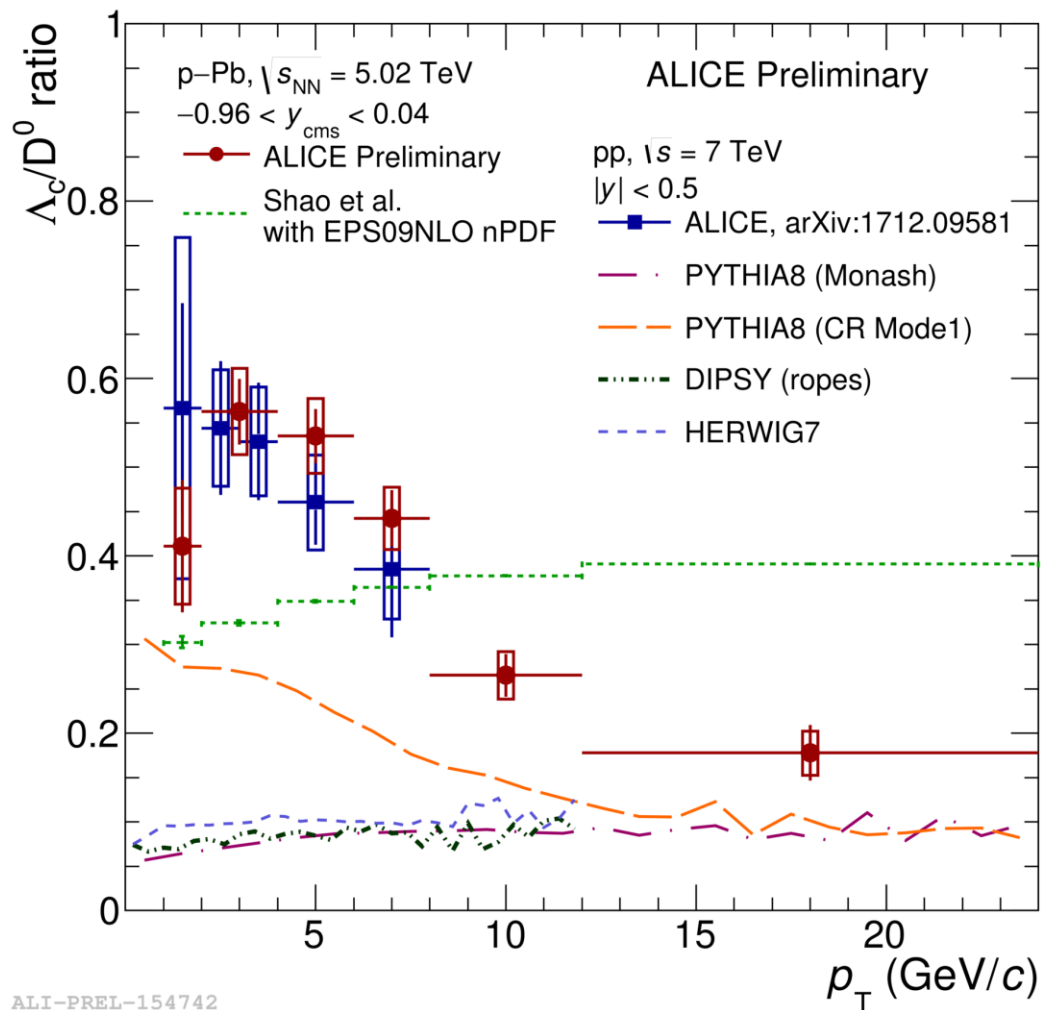
Mean p_T and integrated yields in Pb-Pb at 2.76 TeV are used as input to a multi-parameter **Bayesian analysis** to extract predictions for 5.02 TeV
 [G. Bernhardt et al., NPA 967 (2017) 293–296]

Comparison with ALICE results at 5 TeV indicate that

- the K/π ratio is reproduced in most central collisions, but description fails in peripheral
- p/π and mean transverse momenta overestimated, trend with multiplicity described qualitatively \rightarrow model improvements since 2017

Lc/D ratio in small systems vs MC

ALICE, arXiv:1712.09581



The ALICE detector at the LHC

ALICE

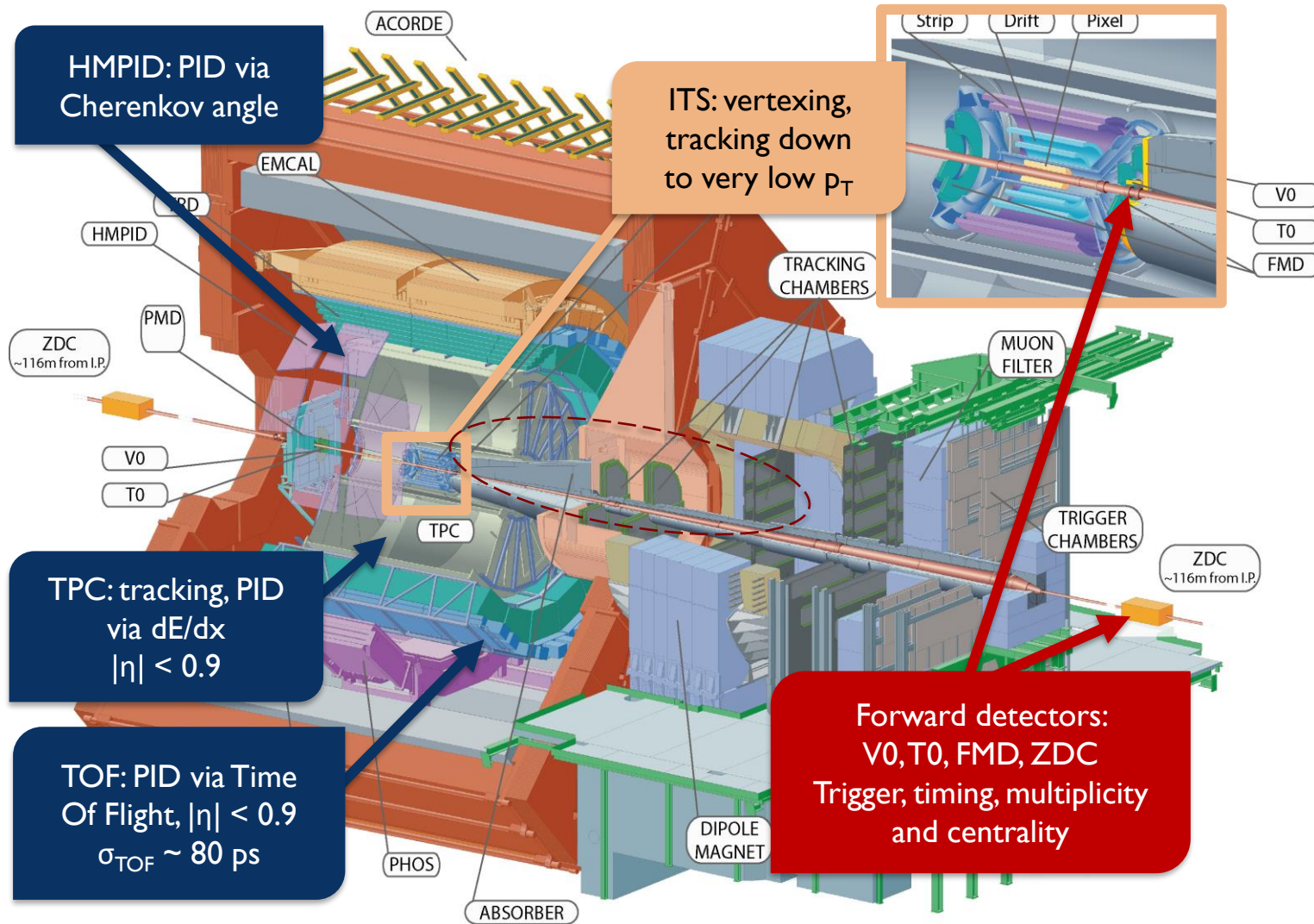
- Low p_T
- PID

ATLAS/CMS

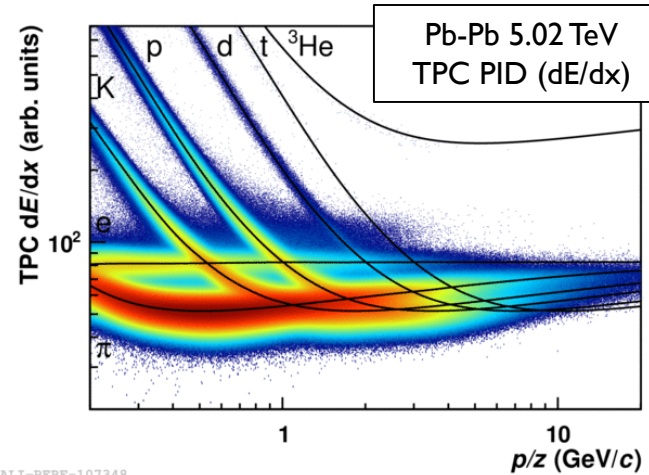
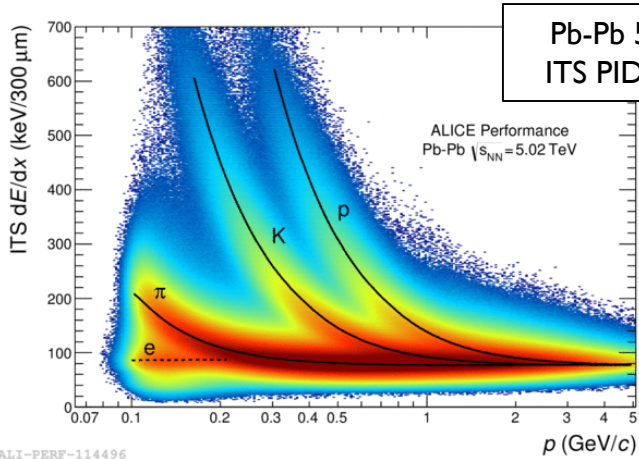
- Wide η
- High p_T

LHCb

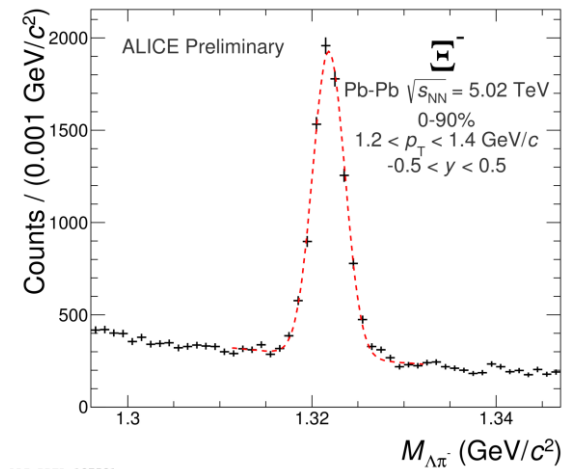
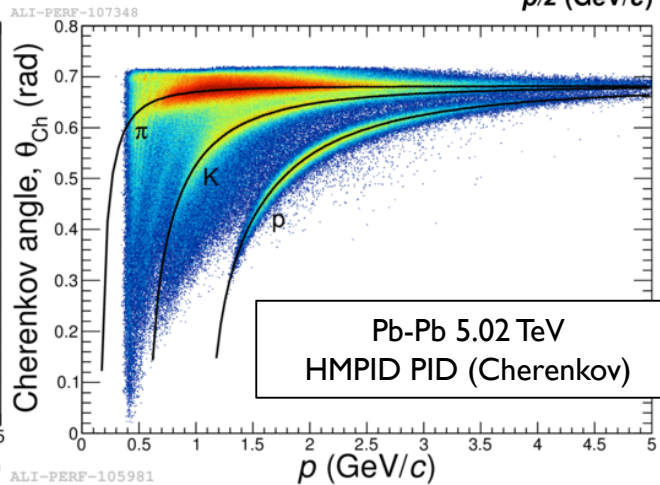
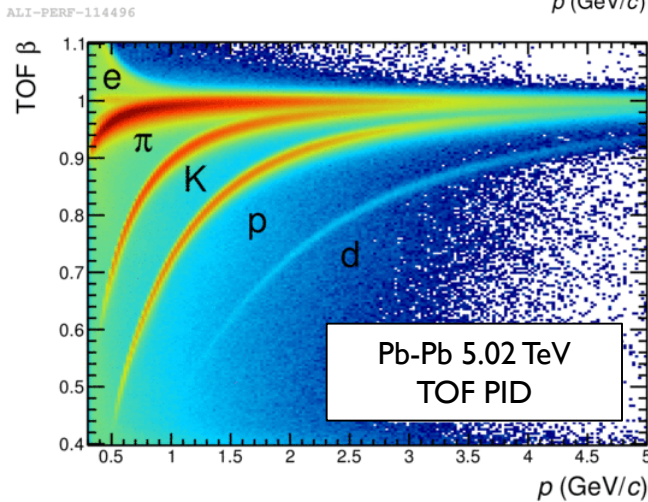
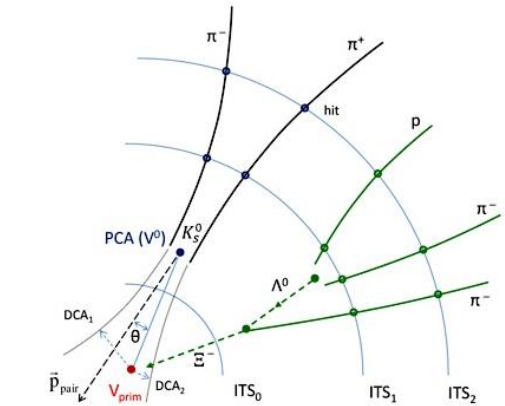
- Forward η
- Fixed target



Particle identification in ALICE



Decay topology
secondary vertex reconstruction +
invariant mass analysis



Identification of light flavour hadrons and light (anti-)nuclei via practically all known PID techniques in $0.1 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 30 \text{ GeV}/c$