



New measurements of inclusive jet suppression in Pb-Pb collisions with ALICE

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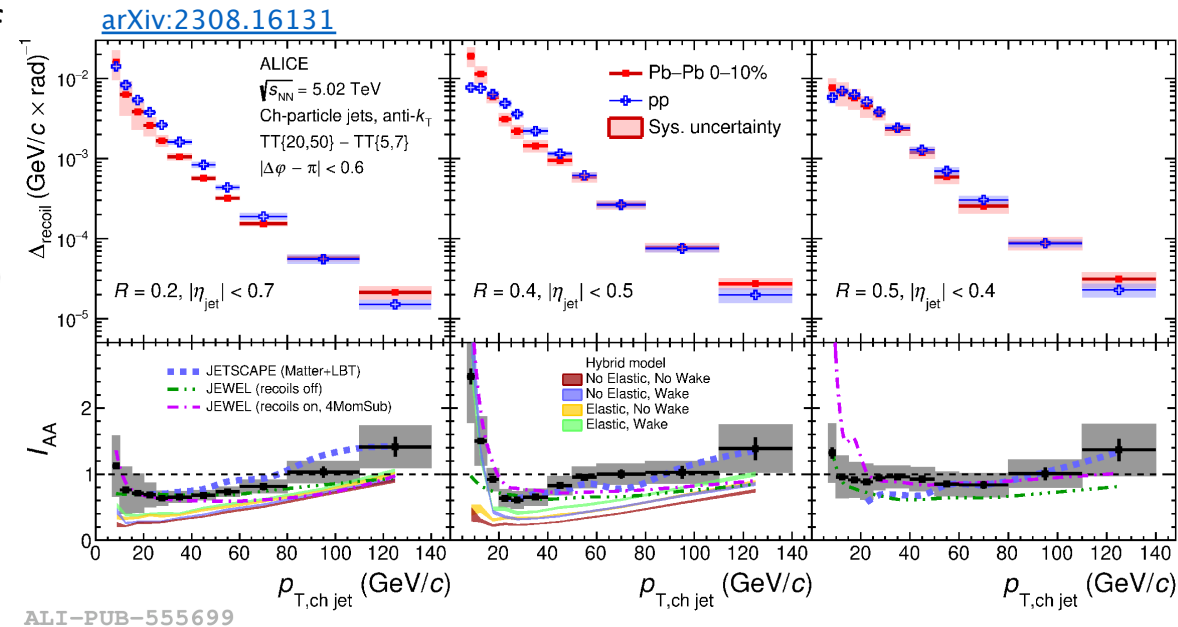
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Jets as probe of the QGP

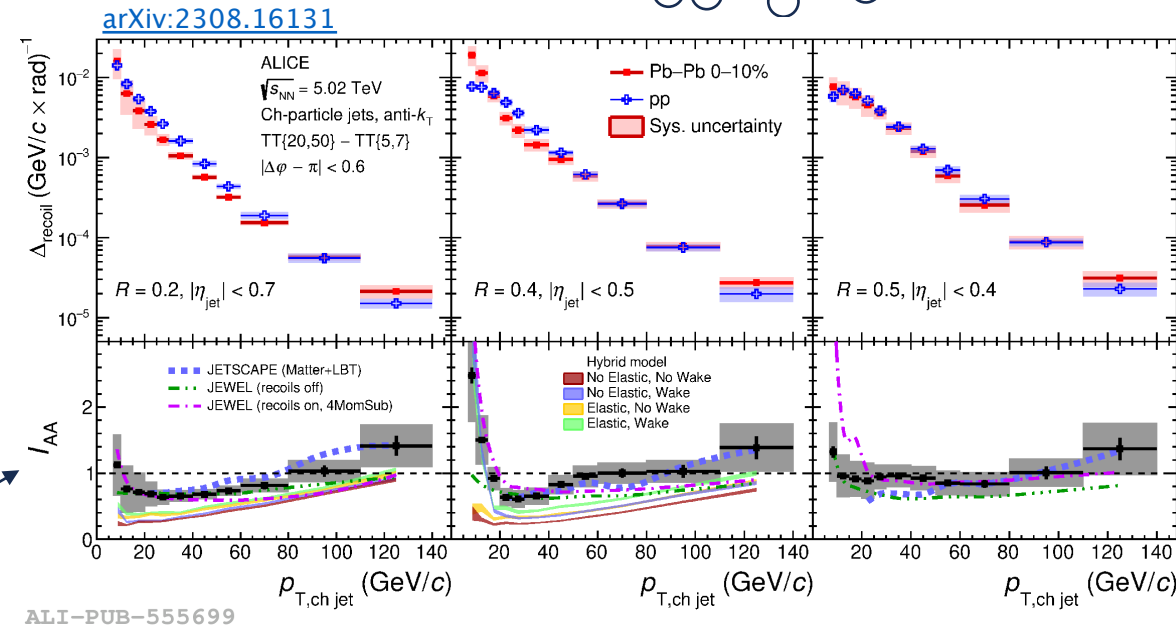
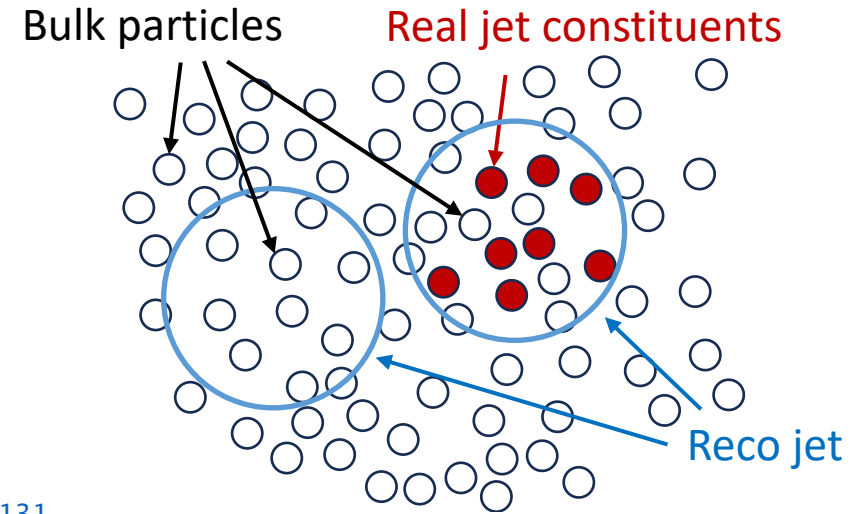
- Jets – hard probes:
 - Access to kinematics of partons scattered in initial stages of the collision (very well described by pQCD)
 - Probe QGP through:
 - **Collisional and radiative energy loss** (this talk)
 - Changes to jet substructure (Bas Hofman 23/09 14:40)
 - Hadrochemistry modification (Sierra Lisa Weyhmler 24/09 11:10)
- ALICE detector: low p_T reach
- This talk covers energy loss:
 - **Statistical approach** to extend inclusive jet measurement to **very low p_T**
 - Performance of ALICE in Run 3 data
 - v_2 measurement did not converge in time, no results to show



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Jet measurements at low p_T

- Jet measurements in Pb-Pb challenging due to large **non-uniform uncorrelated background**
- **Combinatorial (“fake”) jet yield** from jets clustered wholly around products of many soft (low Q^2) interactions
- **Smearing of p_T** of true jets arising from detector effects and bkg fluctuations
- Current ALICE jet R_{AA} measurement: low p_T reached with Machine Learning based background subtraction (10.1016/j.physletb.2023.138412)
- **Data-driven statistical approach** to push to even lower p_T
 - semi-inclusive: hadron correlations
 - can we also extend the low p_T reach for inclusive jets?
This analysis



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Jet analysis with a mixed event technique

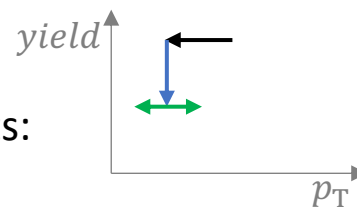
- ALICE 2018 Pb-Pb data, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV, 0-10% centrality
- Jet analysis:
 - charged particle jets: **anti- k_T** , **$R = 0.3$** , **$|\eta| < 0.6$**
- Assembly of mixed events (ME):
 - Categorisation of events into 9600 (multiplicity, z-vertex, event plane, $p_{T,tracks}^{sum}$) categories
 - One track from each real event of a same category (same event, SE)
→ Removes multi-hadron correlations

- Background correction:

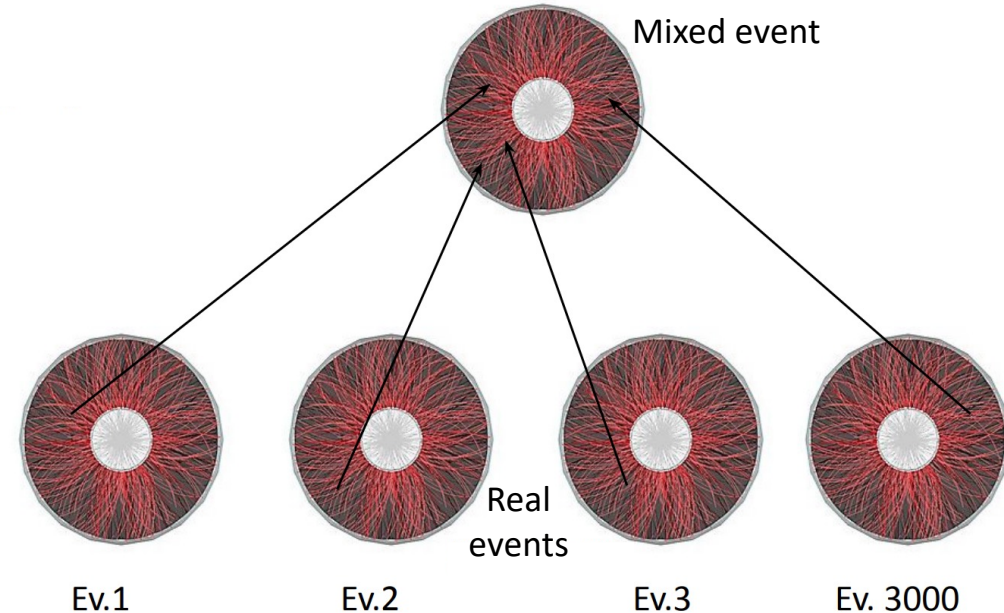
- Remove pedestal underlying event from the jets:

$$\mathbf{p}_{T,jet}^{reco} = \mathbf{p}_{T,jet}^{raw} - A_{jet} * \rho$$

- Use **Mixed Events (ME)** to remove combinatorial jets from the yield
- **Unfolding** to correct for smearing

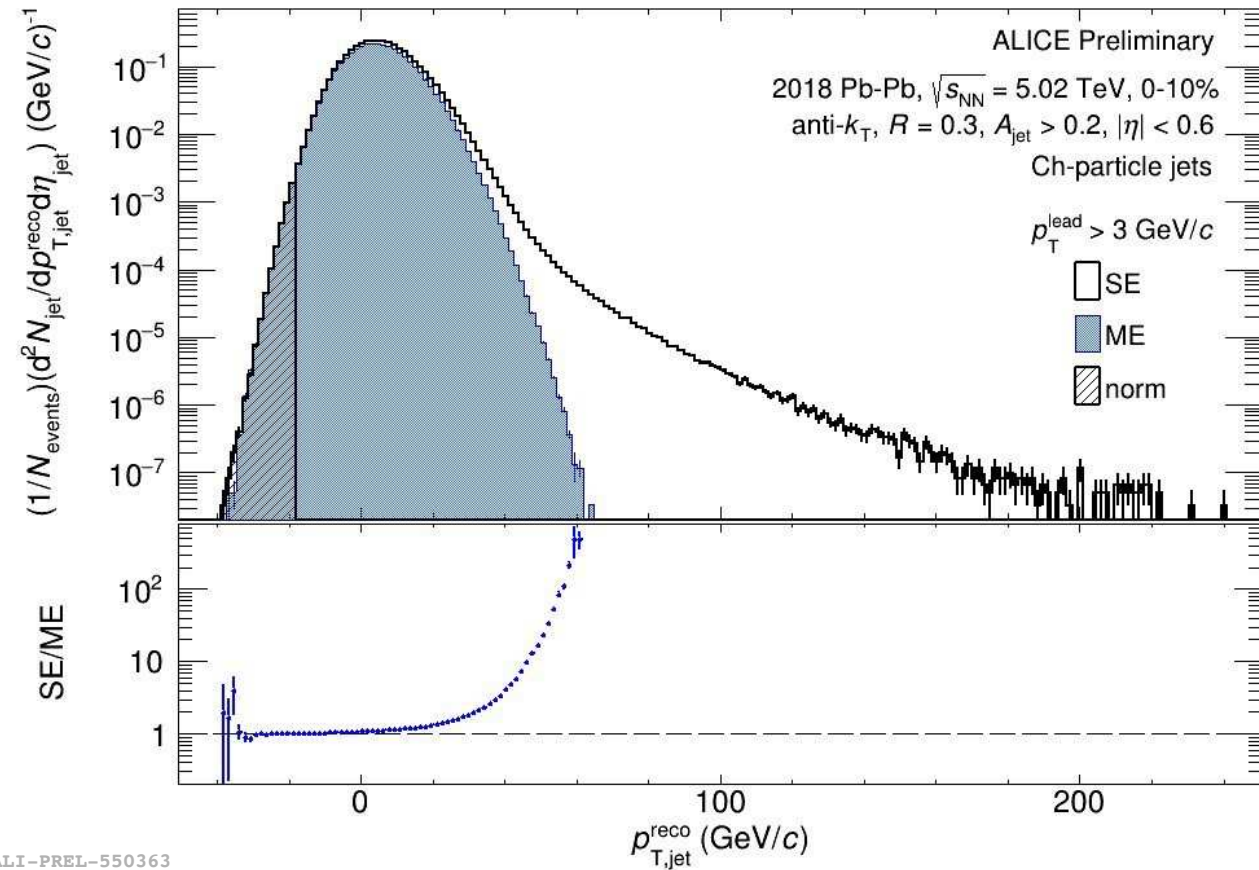


First use of ME technique: in STAR
[10.1103/PhysRevC.96.024905](https://arxiv.org/abs/10.1103/PhysRevC.96.024905)



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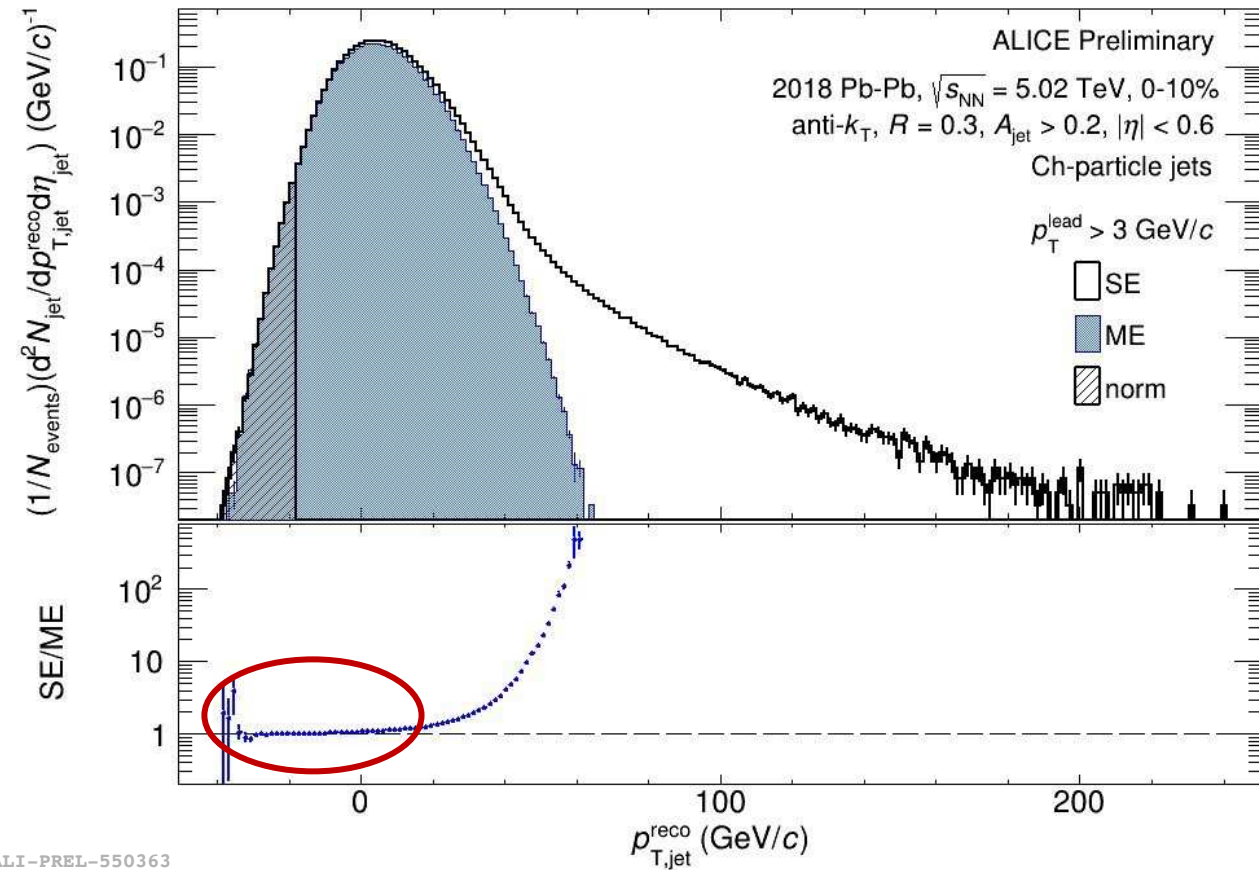
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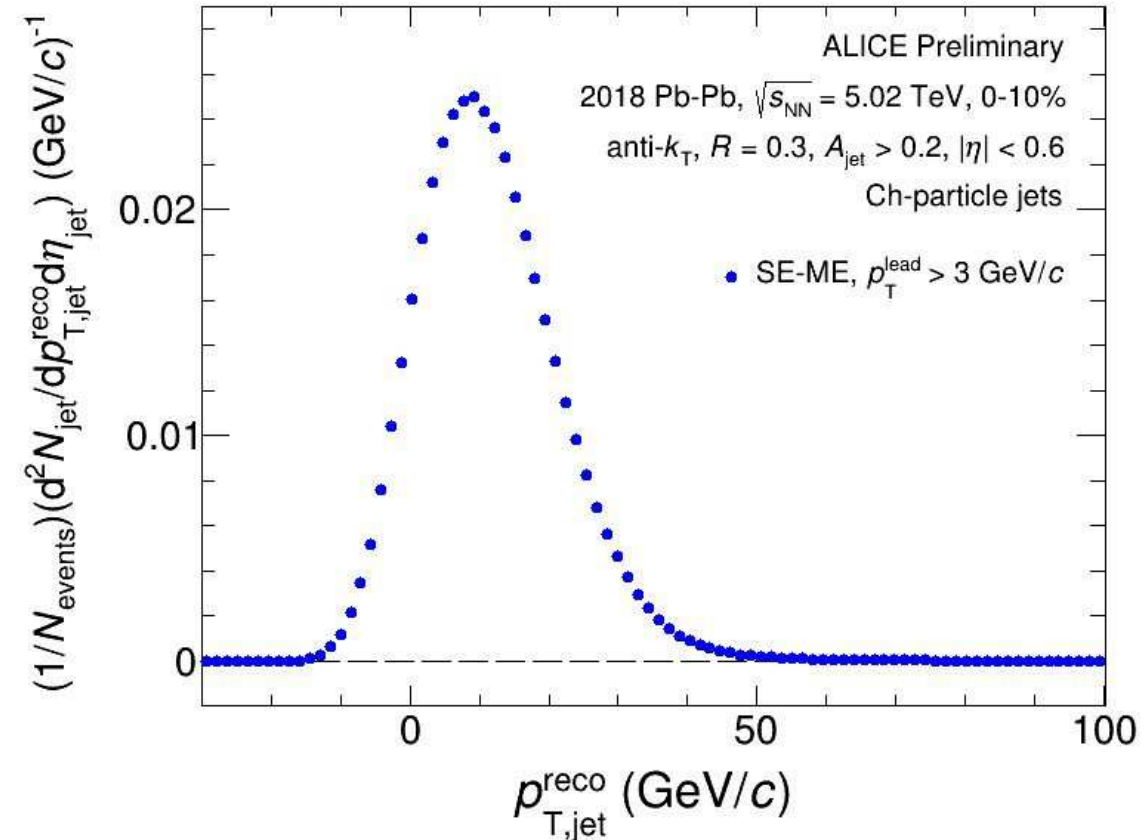
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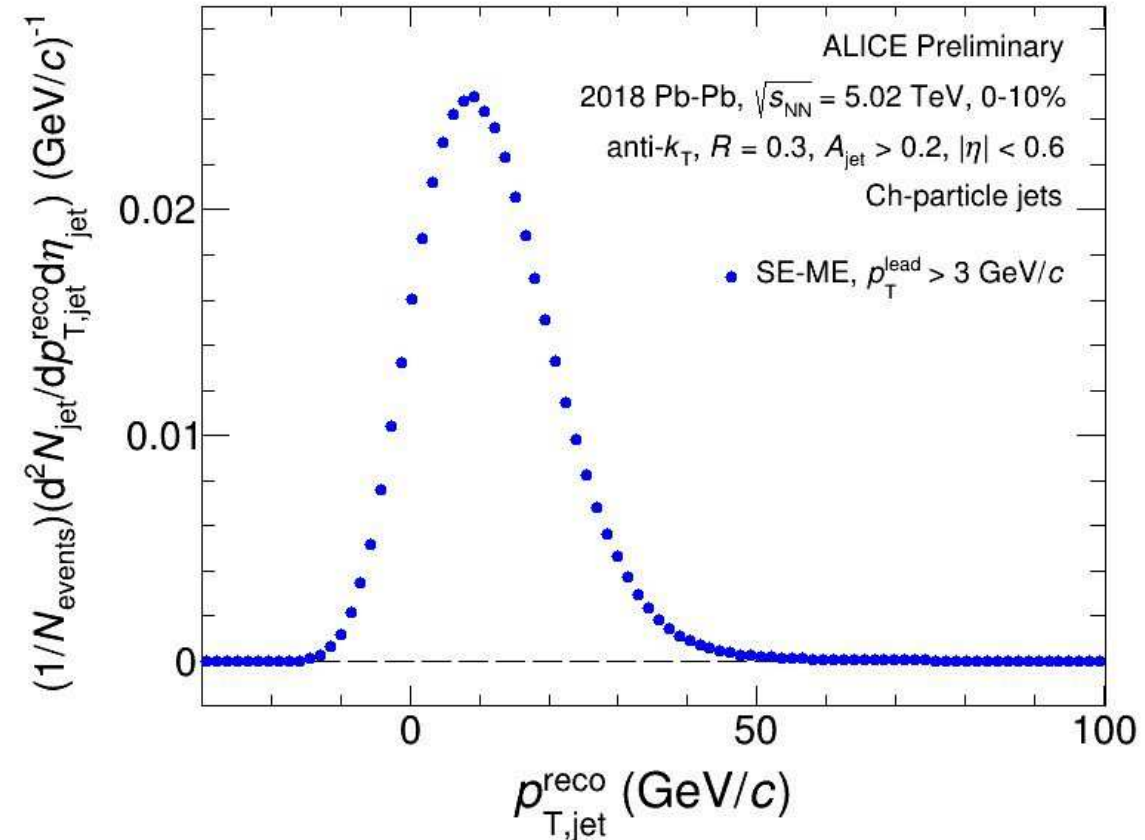
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- ME procedure removes uncorrelated bkg yield
- Leading track p_T cut generates countable objects



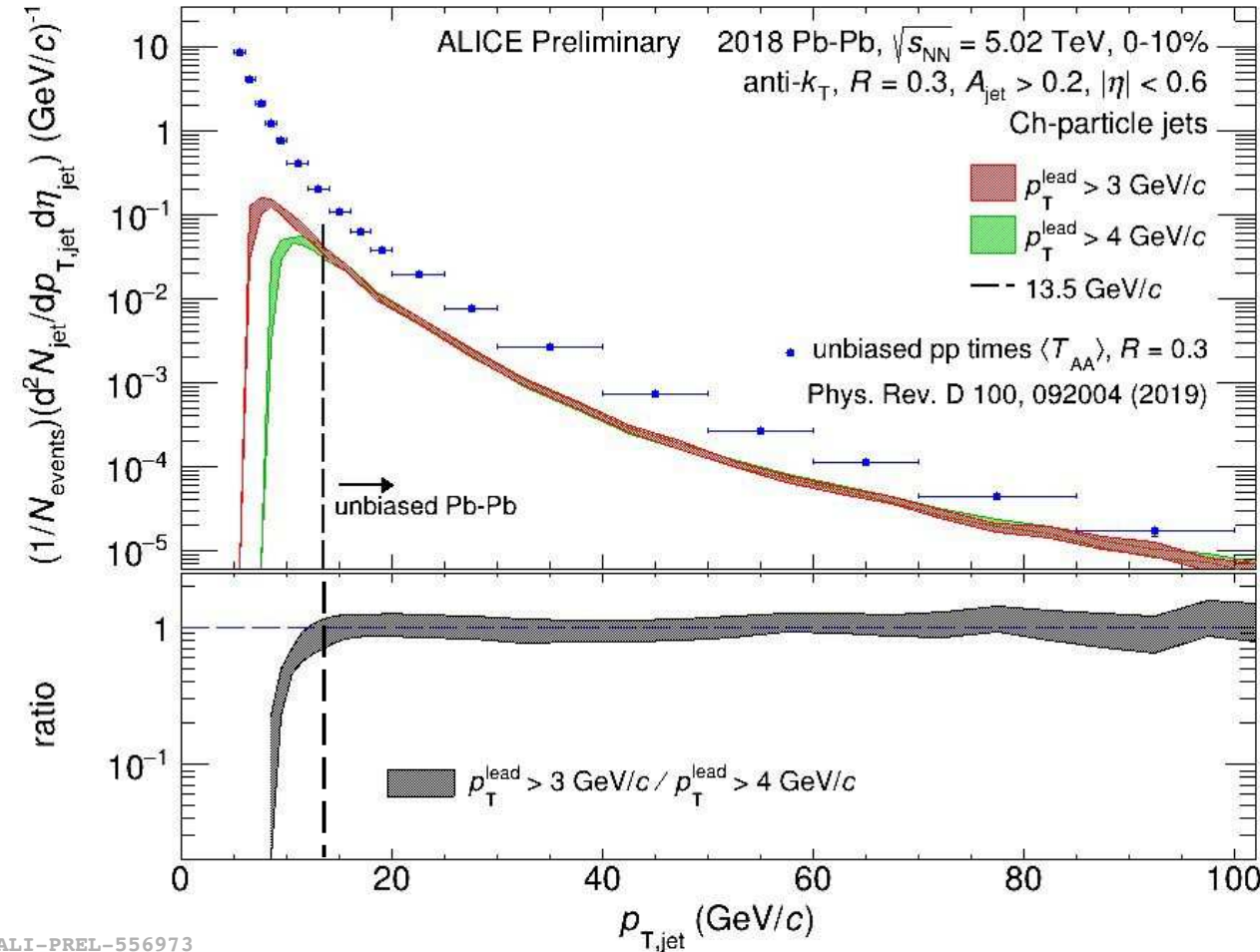
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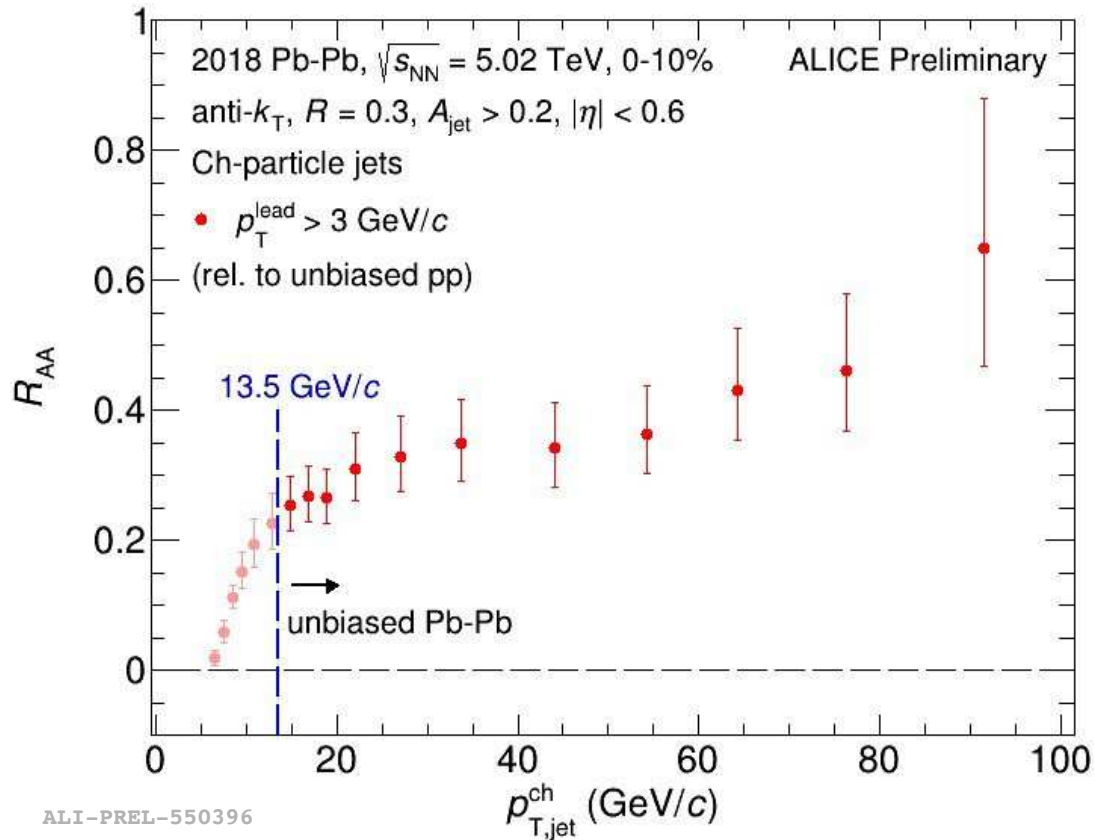
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Corrected jet distributions, $R = 0.3$

- Once the yield is subtracted, smearing of jets due to residual background fluctuations and detector effects is corrected → **Unfolding**
- Fully corrected quasi-incl. charged-particle jet distributions with $p_T^{\text{lead}} > 3 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $p_T^{\text{lead}} > 4 \text{ GeV}/c$
- Systematic uncertainties from ME, DCA, tracking efficiency & unfolding
- Determining where the bias is small
- Effect of the leading track bias: **no bias within uncertainties for $p_{T,jet} > 13.5 \text{ GeV}/c$**
- unbiased Pb–Pb at $p_{T,jet} > 13.5 \text{ GeV}/c$



Charged-particle jet R_{AA}



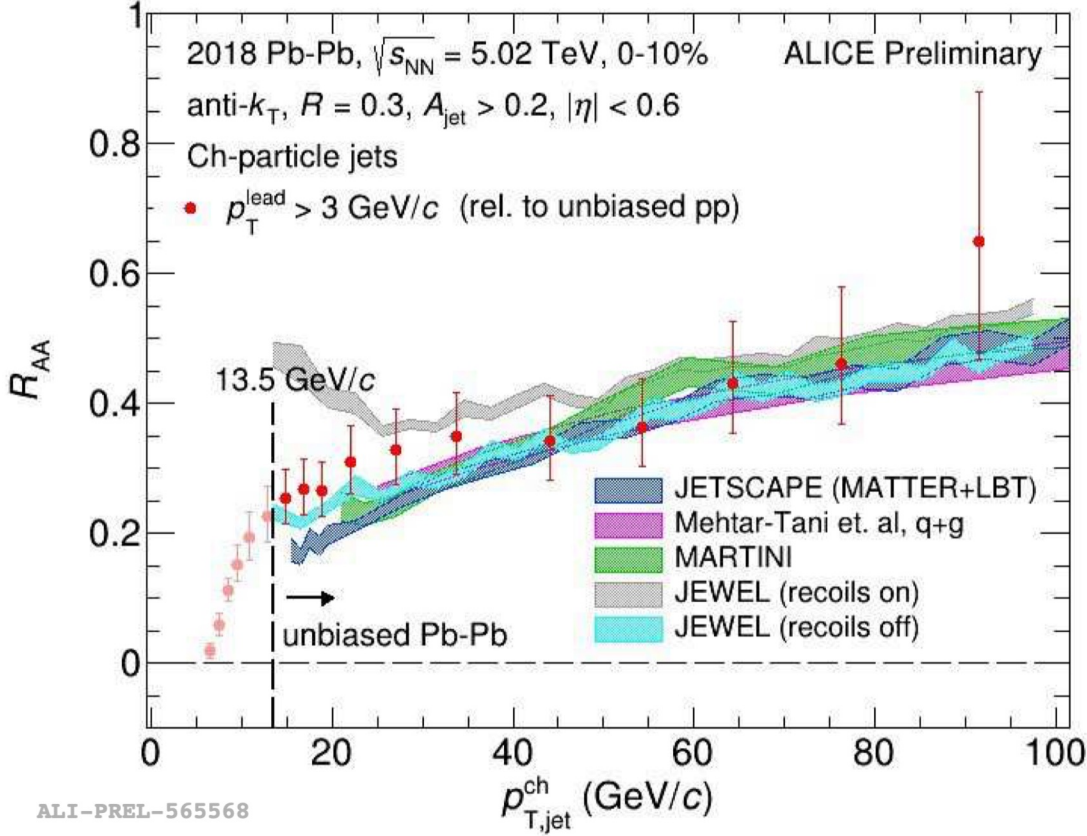
$$R_{AA} = \frac{1}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle} \frac{d^2 N_{jets}^{AA} / dp_T d\eta}{d^2 \sigma_{jets}^{pp} / dp_T d\eta}$$

- R_{AA} is calculated relative to unbiased pp charged-particle jets¹
- Combined pp and Pb–Pb uncertainties
- Syst. + stat. uncertainties added in quadrature

→ unbiased Pb–Pb R_{AA} at $p_{T,jet} > 13.5$ GeV/c

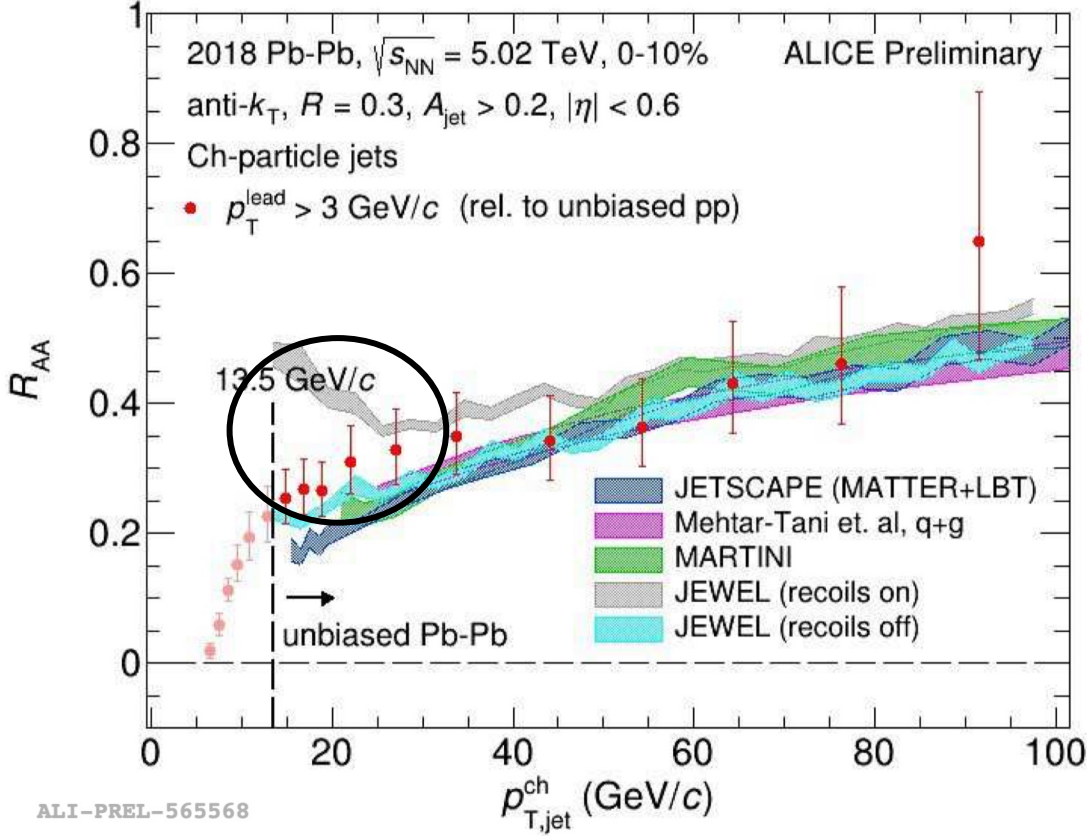
¹ Unbiased pp: ALICE collaboration, Phys. Rev. D, 100, 092004, 2019. arXiv: 1905.02536 [nucl-ex].

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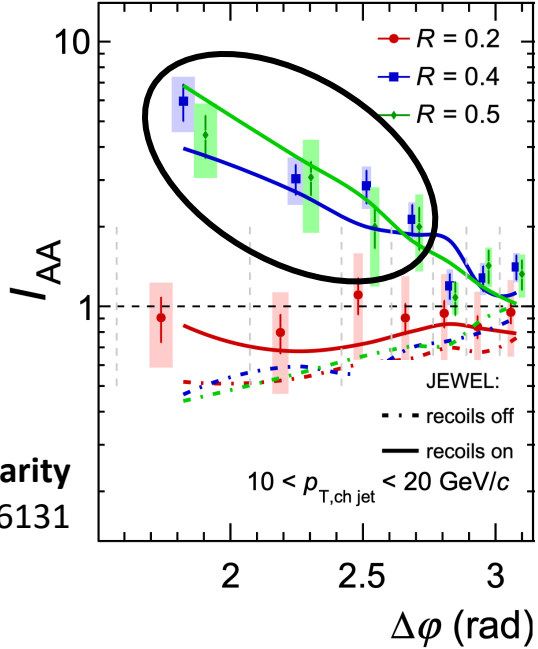


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Hard Probes

- Models describe R_{AA} at high p_T , disagree with each other at low p_T
- Jewel with recoil ON at low p_T :
 - reproduces features in semi-inclusive
 - fails in inclusive

→ Modelling still needs work



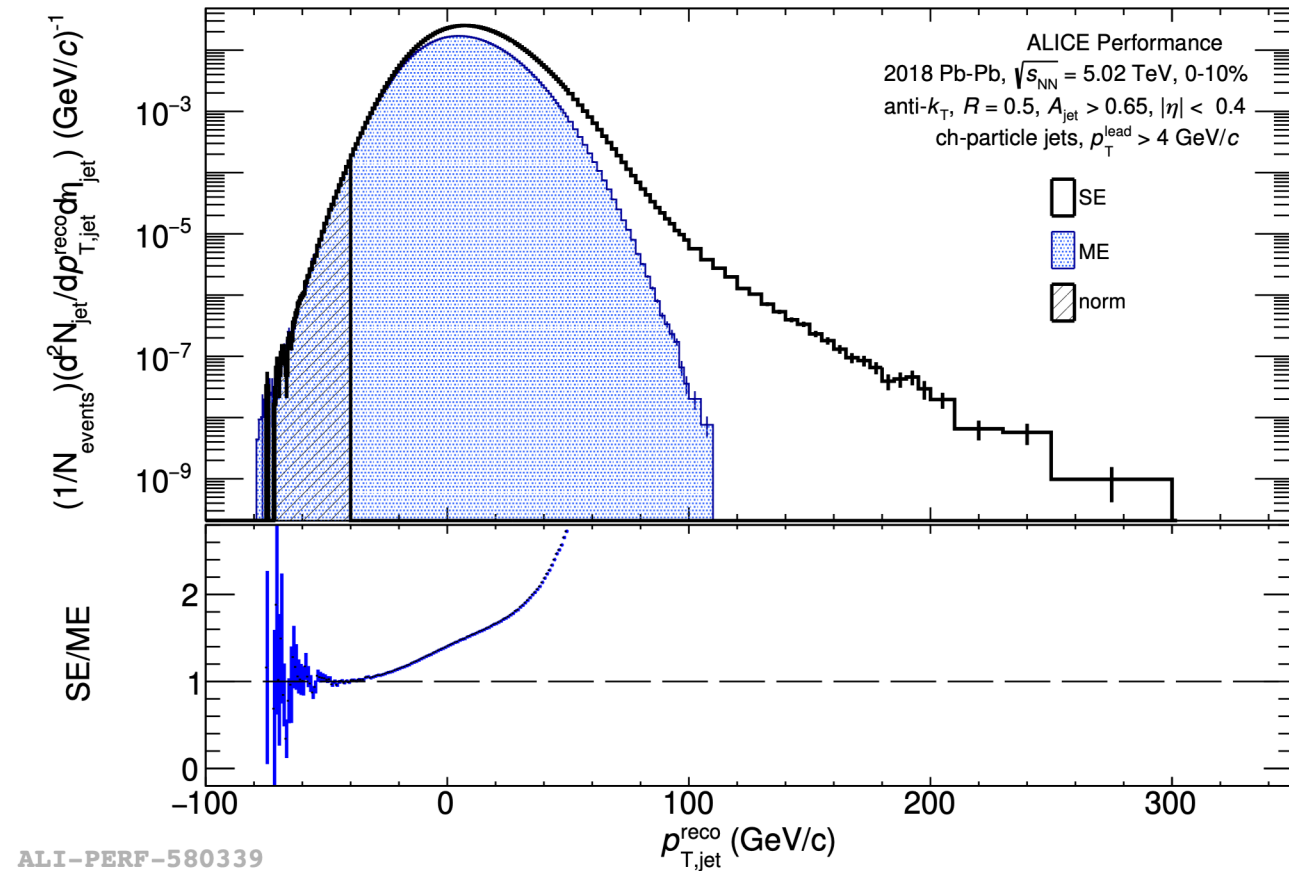
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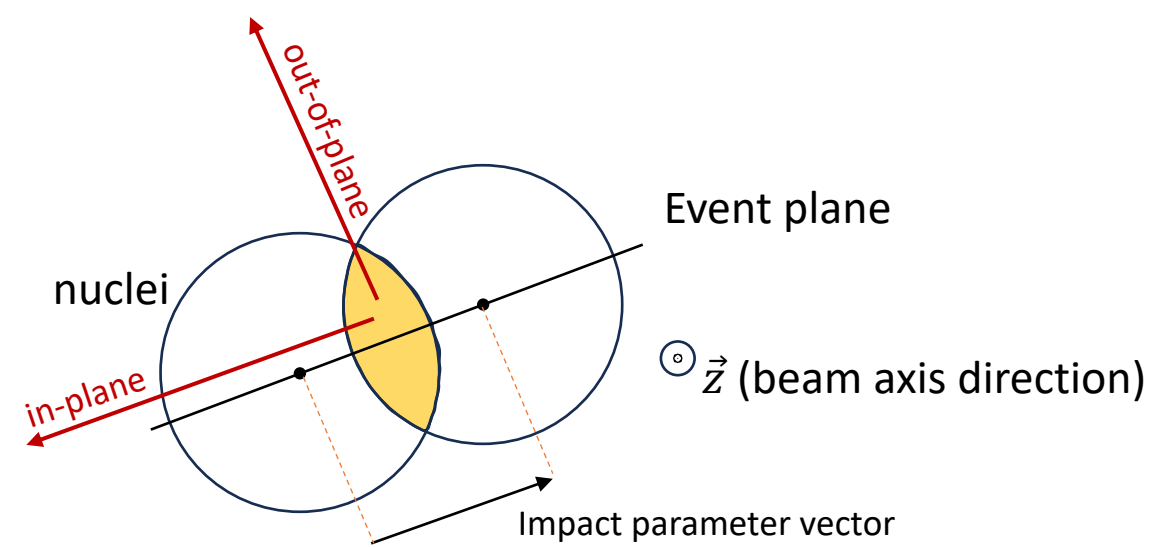
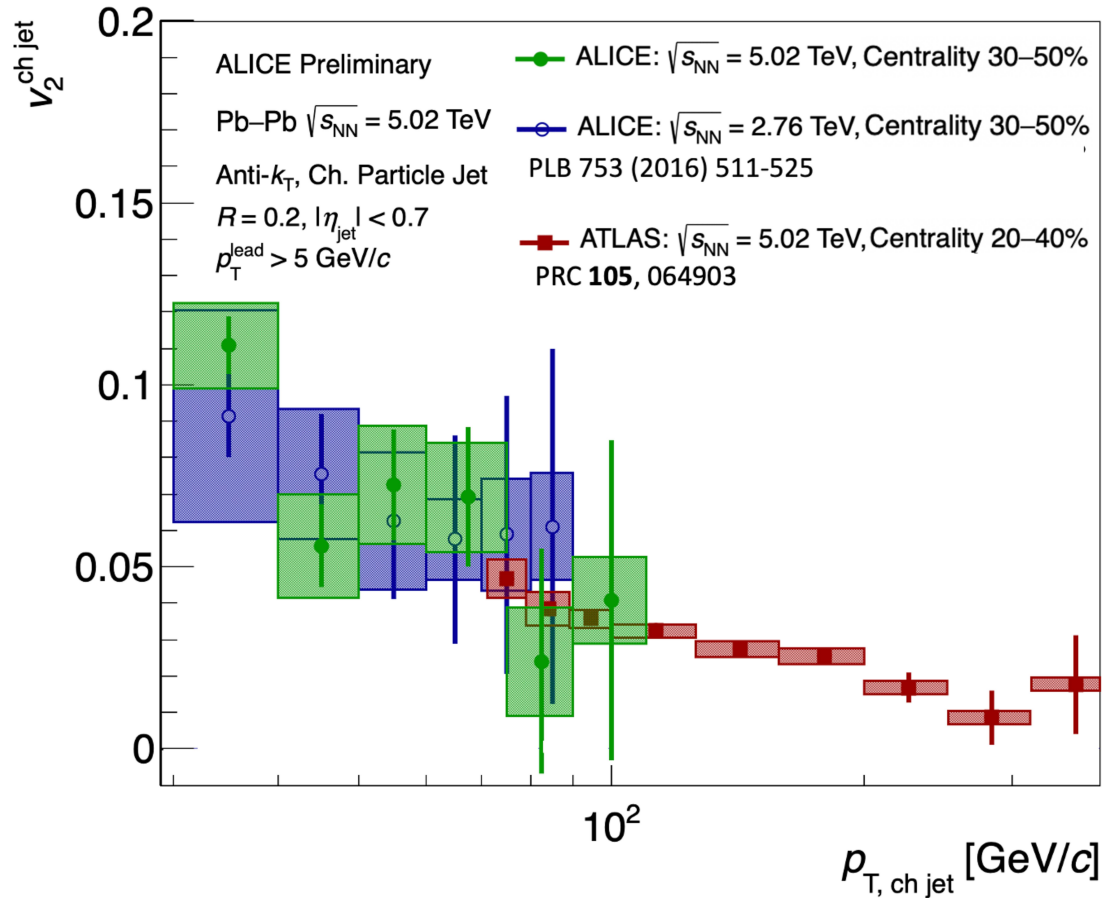
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Ongoing work:

- Pushing measurement to large radius **$R = 0.5$**
- More challenging due to larger background in jet area
- Unbiased above 23 GeV/c



Charged-particle jet v_2



$$v_2 = \frac{N_{in} - N_{out}}{N_{in} + N_{out}}$$

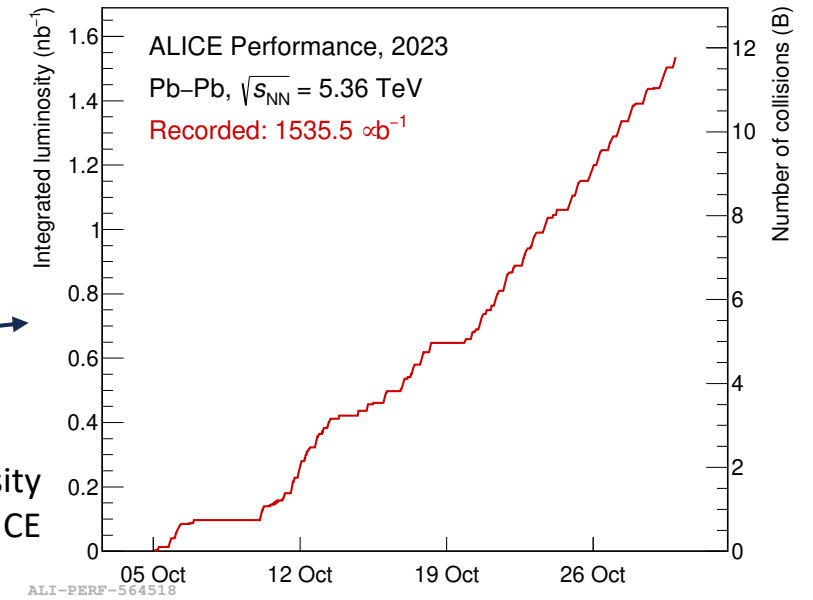
- Suppression of out-of-plane jets
- Larger **positive charged-particle jet v_2** at low p_T
- Consistent with ATLAS in the p_T overlap
- Run 3 measurement will come with increased statistics:
 - smaller stat. errors
 - **more centrality intervals**

Run 3 Analysis is ongoing

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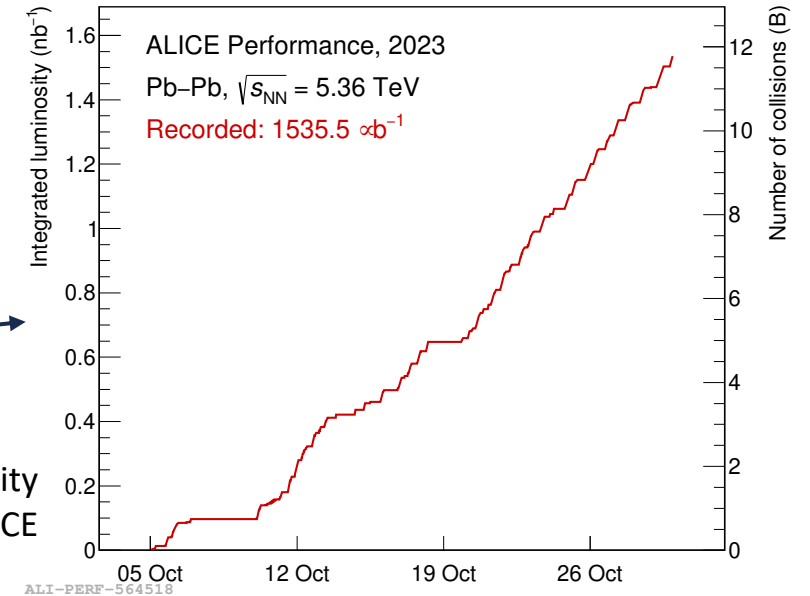
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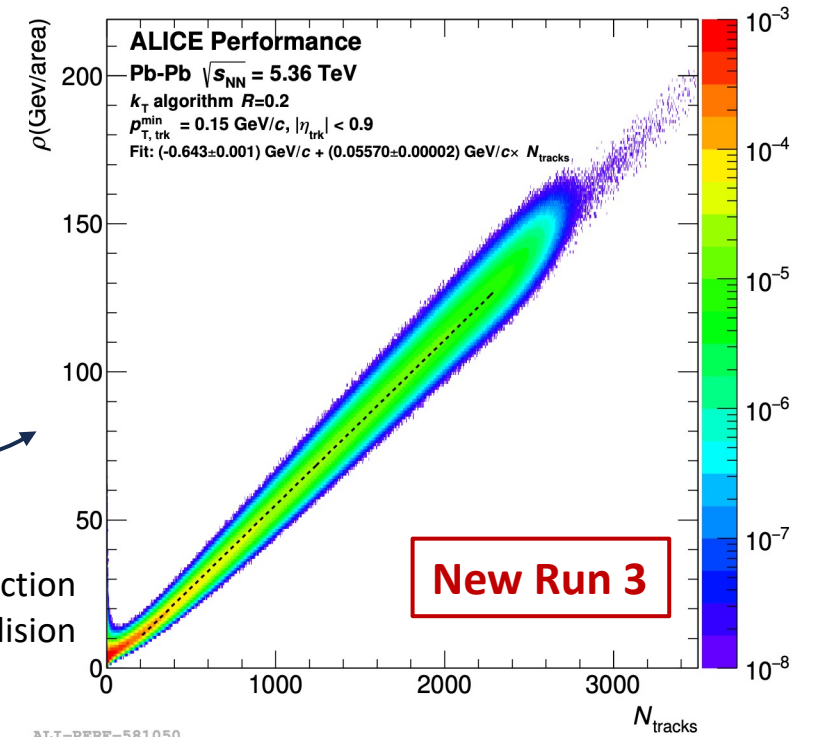
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- Ongoing jet yield analysis for R_{CP} and R_{AA} measurements in Pb-Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.36$ GeV
- Careful consideration of new challenges introduced by continuous readout

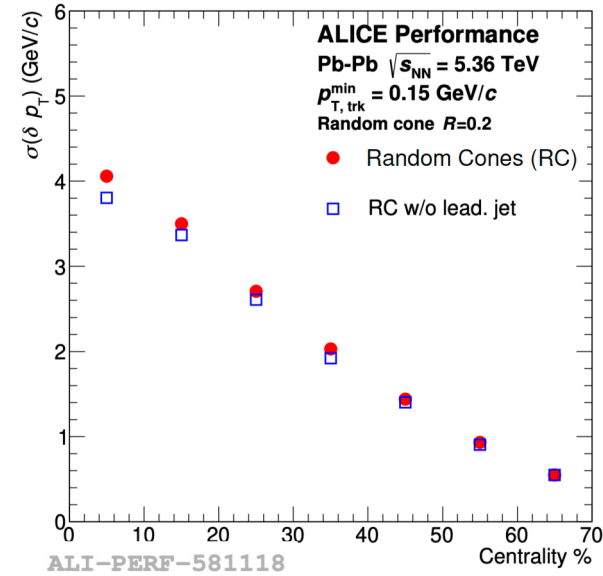
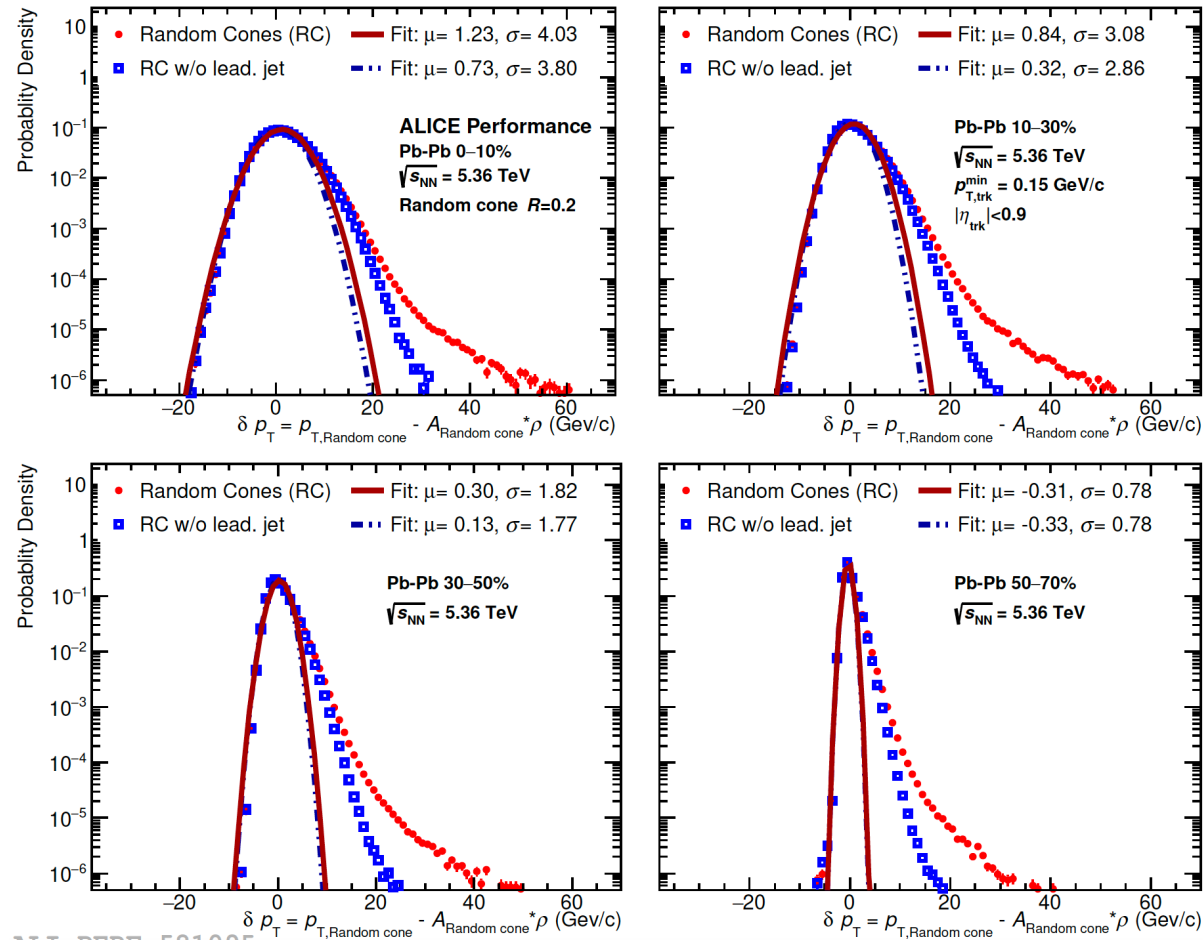
- **Background effects in Run 3: poster by Wenhui Feng**

Median background density per unit area ρ as a function of the number of selected tracks in the collision



Background fluctuations in Run 3 Pb-Pb data

- Important assessment of detector response in heavy-ion collisions for jet studies
 - Similar shapes and widths as in Run 2
- progress in understanding detector behaviour for jets



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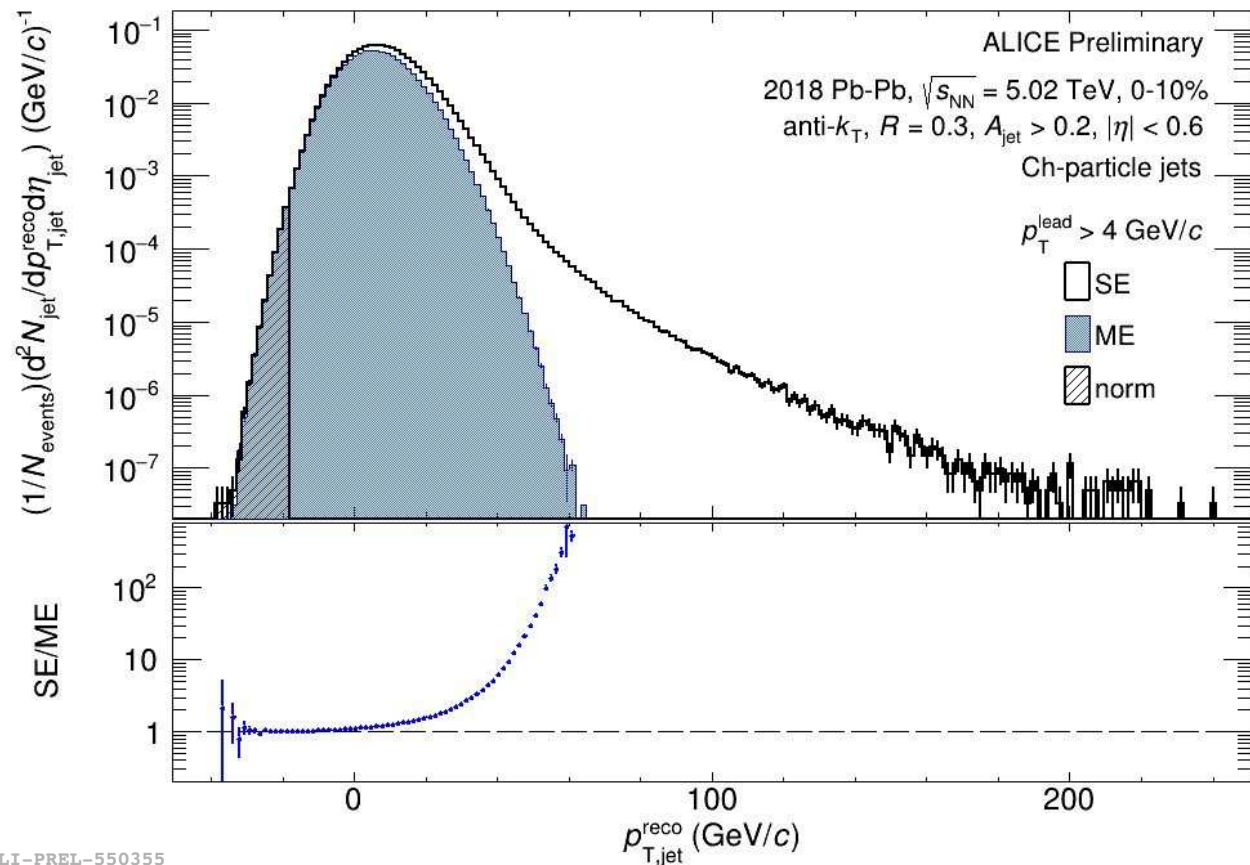
New Run 3

Summary

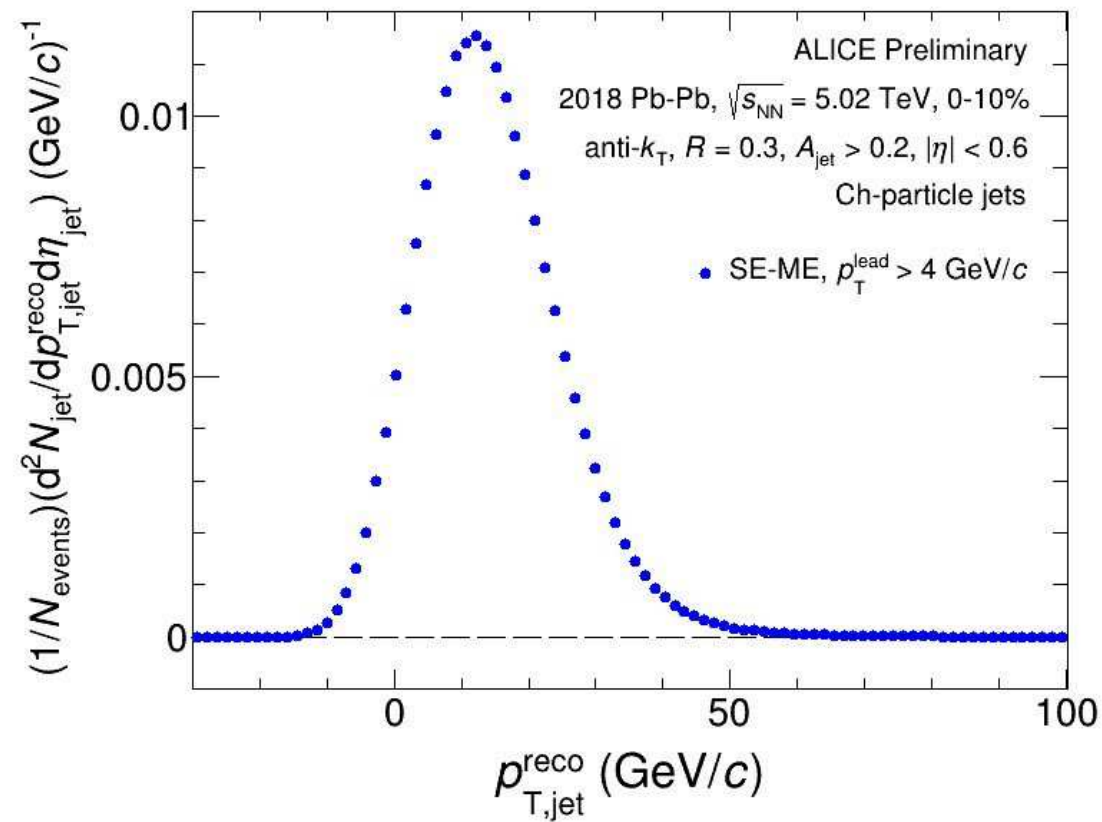
- **ME technique:**
 - **Unbiased** exploration of jets at **very low p_T** in heavy-ion collisions
 - Upcoming measurement is pushing low p_T jets to **large radius of $R = 0.5$**
- **Jet $v_2 > 0$** → Out-of-plane jet suppression at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV
- Run 3 Pb-Pb analysis:
 - response of new detector for jets being understood
 - jet yield, R_{AA} , v_2 soon

Backup

Backup, leading track cut 4 GeV/c



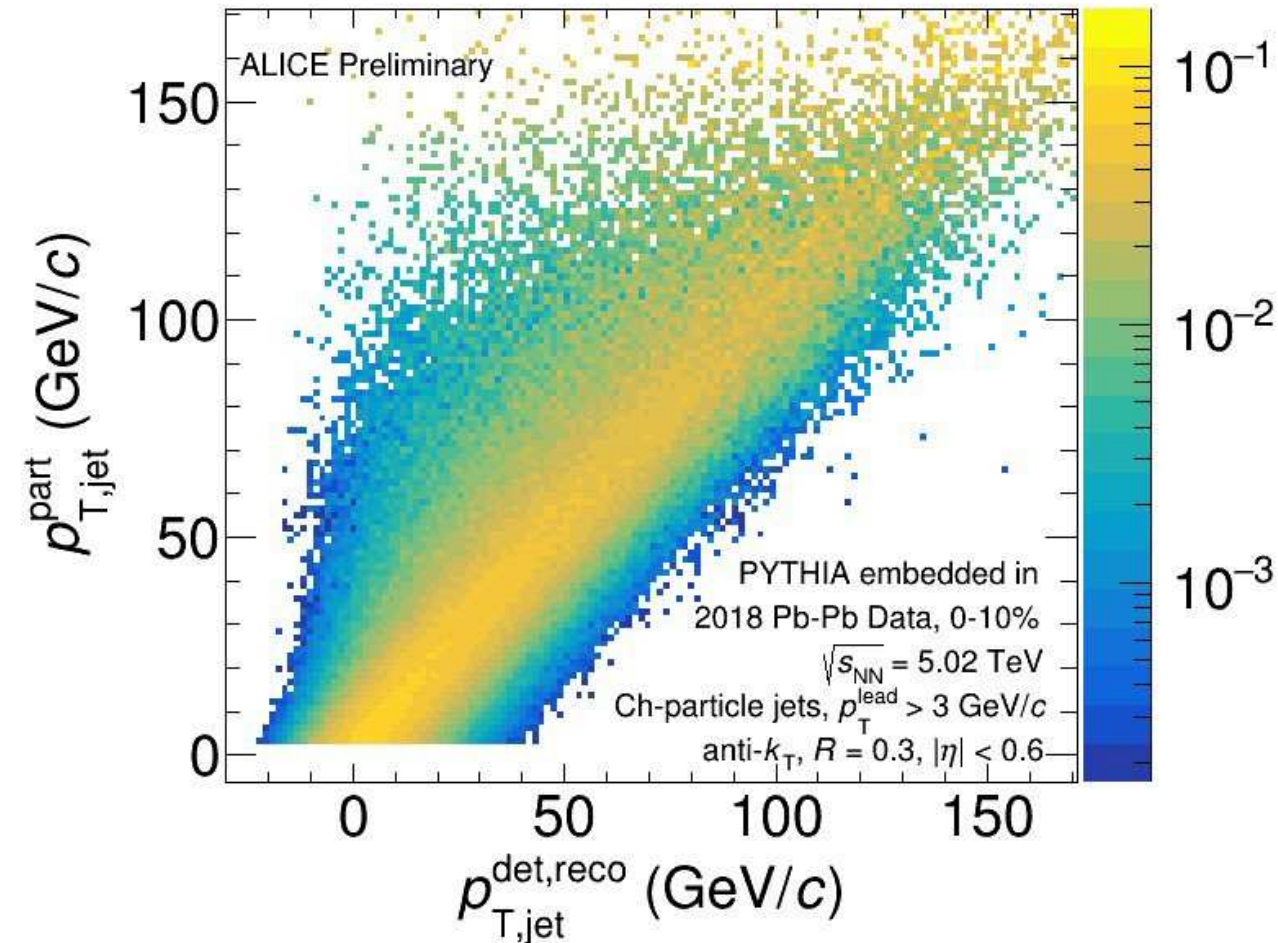
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Correction of p_T -smearing

- After yield correction: Correction of p_T -smearing due to background and instrumental effects → **Unfolding**
- **Instrumental effects:** Corrections for efficiency & p_T resolution
- **Background effects:** Correction for local fluctuations
- Response matrix calculation with embedding of PYTHIA jets into SE
- ROOT unfolding framework **RooUnfold** with **Bayesian unfolding** method & 7 iterations
- Prior: PYTHIA particle level
- Additional correction after unfolding: **Jet reconstruction efficiency**



Model comparisons

- **JETSCAPE:** Framework for pp and heavy-ion event simulation and Bayesian inference
- **Jet interactions, no medium response:**
 - **MATTER:** High virtuality shower
 - **MARTINI:** Low virtuality shower. Includes elastic scattering processes similar to LBT and radiative energy loss according to AMY formalism
- **Jet interactions with medium response:**
 - **LBT:** Transport of parton in QGP is described by linear Boltzmann equation. Medium particles can become part of the jet due to scattering: “recoiled partons”
 - **JEWEL:** PYTHIA based, microscopic response, energy-momentum locally conserved
 - **Hybrid:** PYTHIA based, hard (soft) jet-medium interaction based on DGLAP evolution (AdS/CFT)
- **Mehtar-Tani et. al:** Analytic calculation based on BDMPS/GLV and hydrodynamics