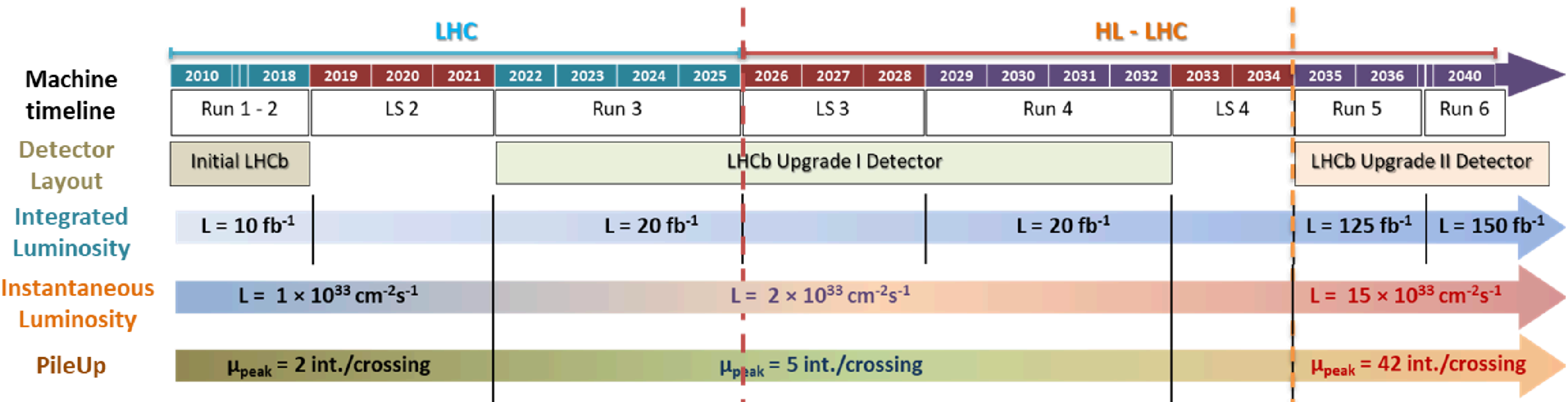


LHCb Upgrade II and heavy-ion physics

Samuel Belin on behalf of the LHCb Collaboration

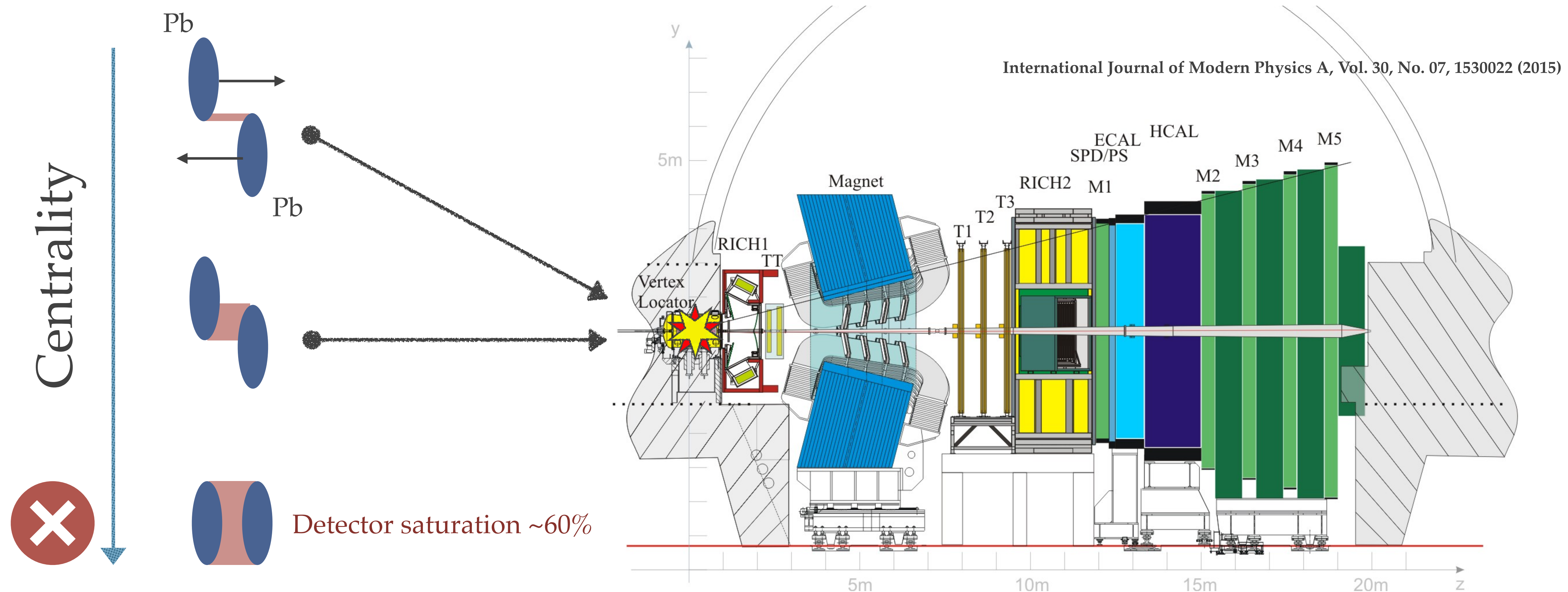
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Goal of Upgrade I and II: keep up the performance with the increased instantaneous luminosity and pile-up

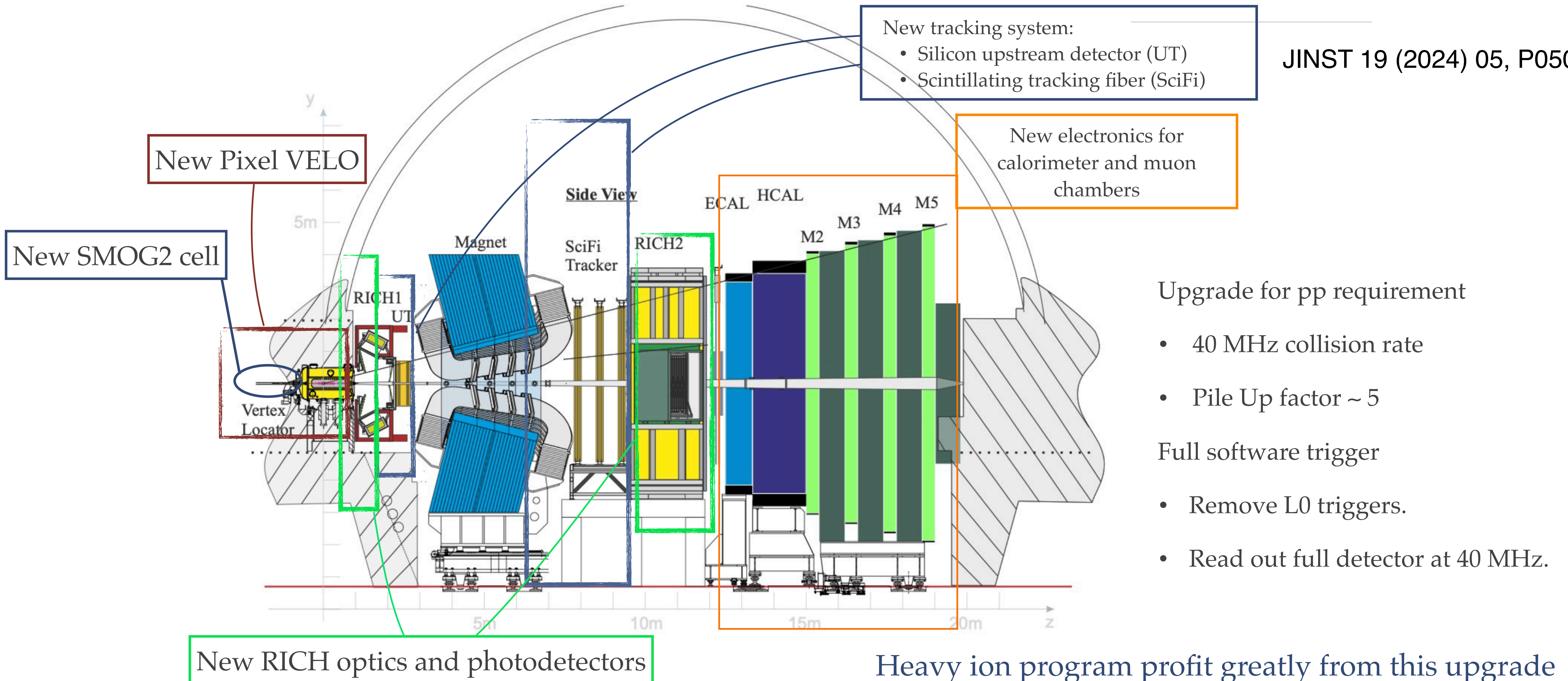
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Excellent tracking and PID performance in fixed target, pp and pPb collisions, but...



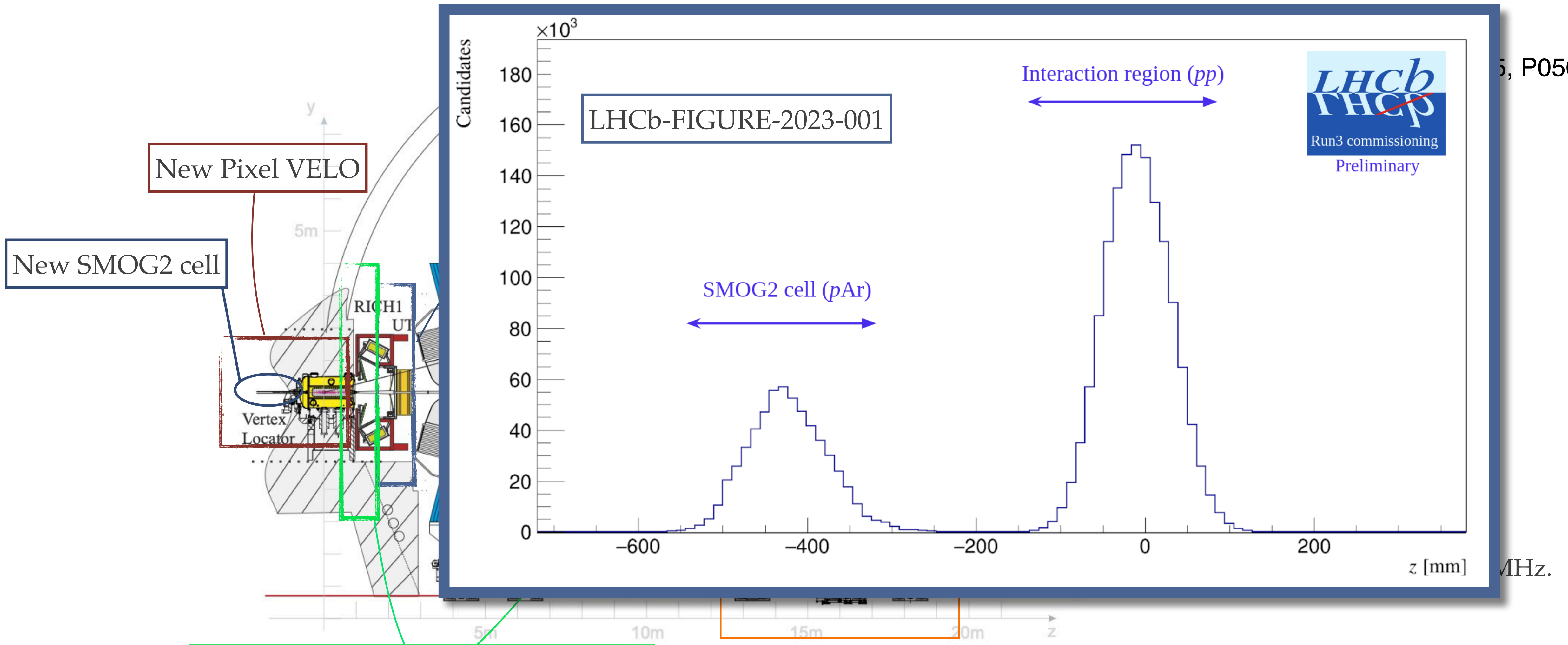
LHCb run 3

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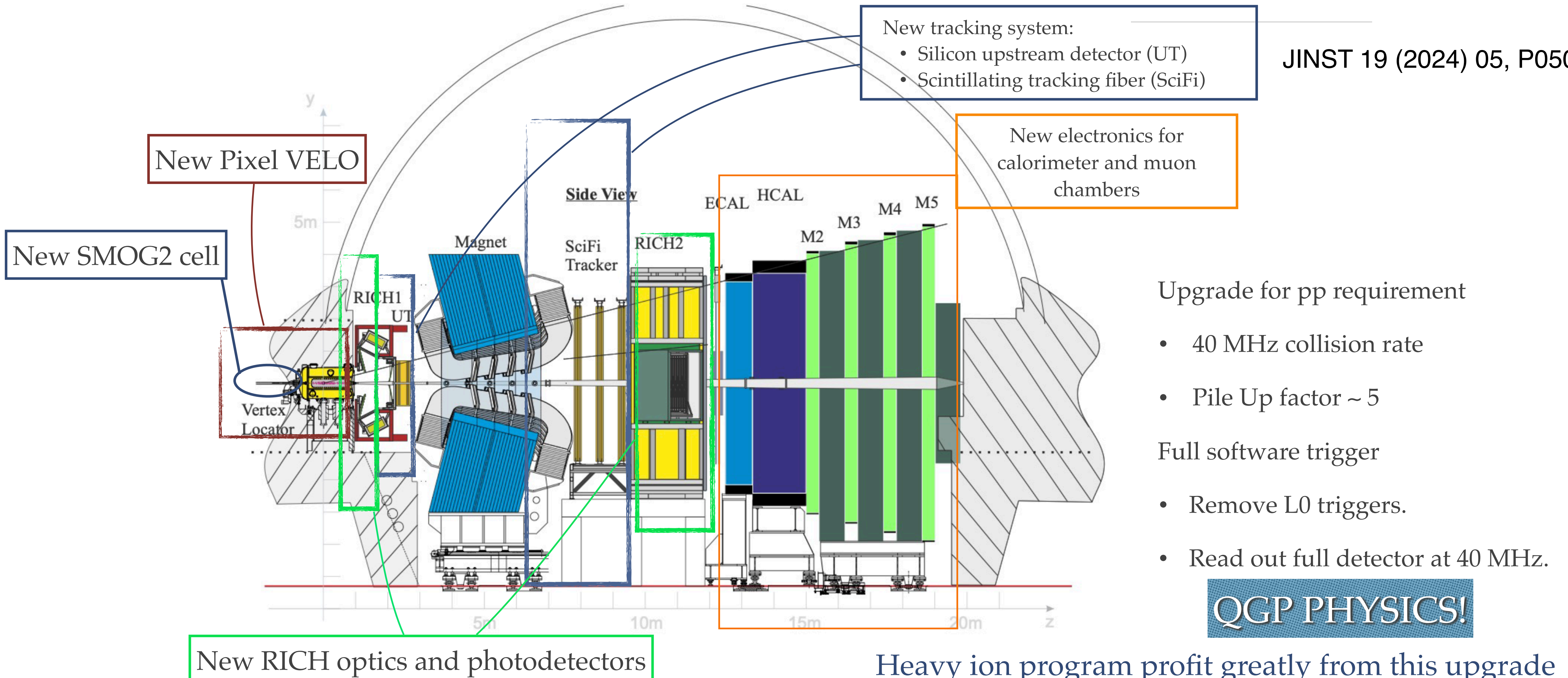
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Heavy ion program profit greatly from this upgrade with now reaching 30% centrality

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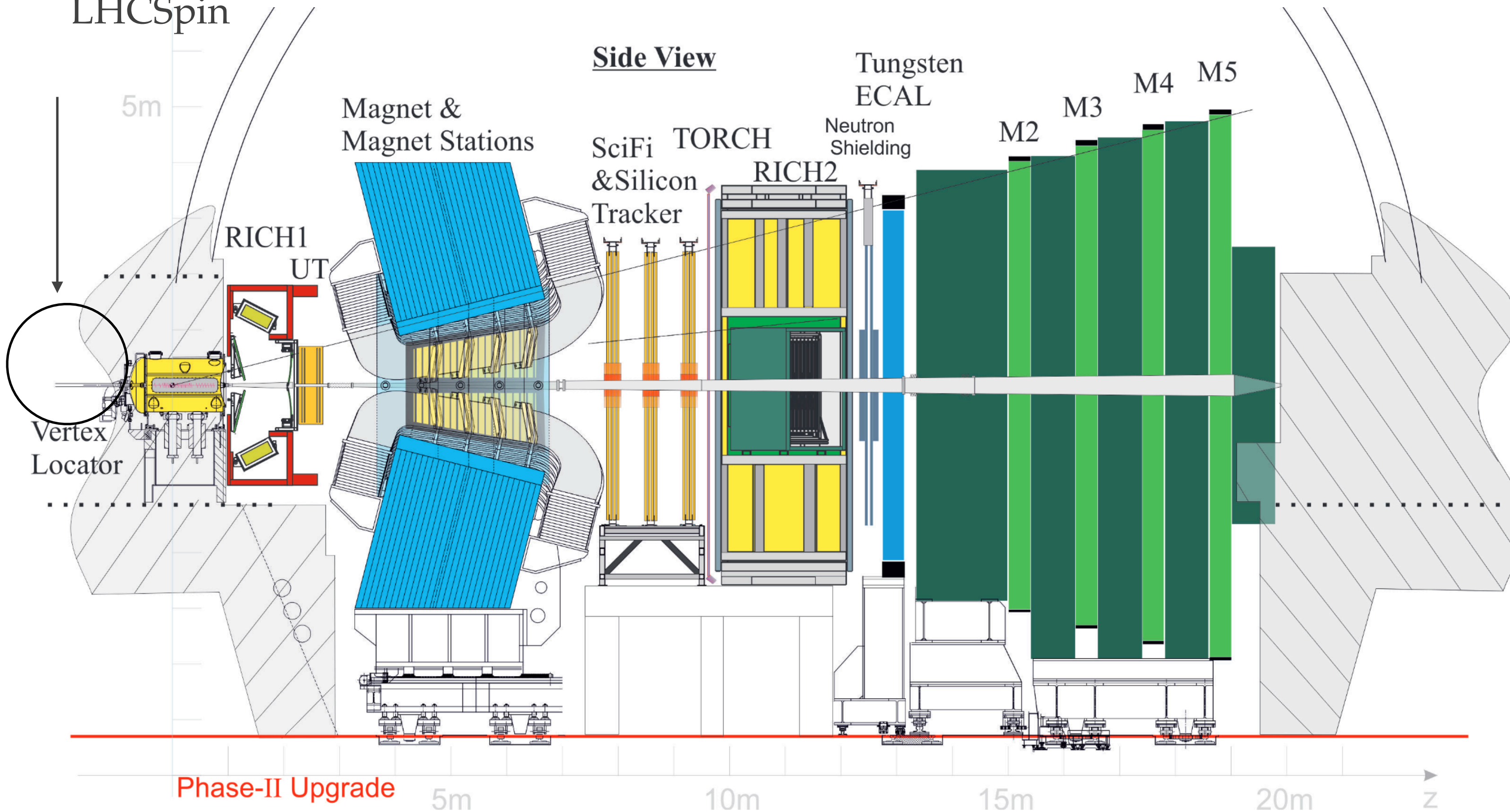
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LHCb Upgrade II

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R&D polarized
Target with
LHCSpin



Upgrade for pp requirement

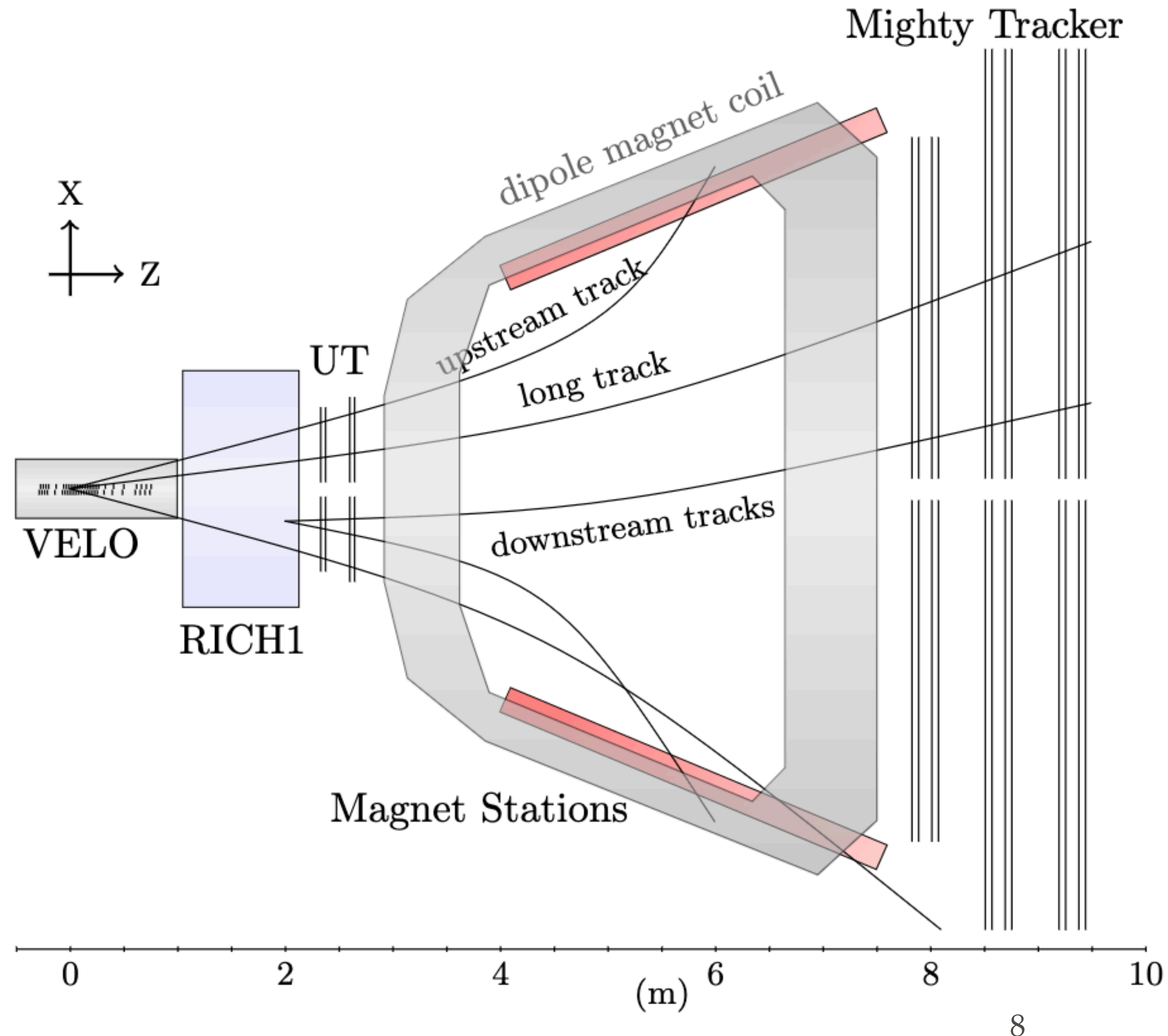
- Instantaneous luminosity $1.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Pile Up factor ~ 42
- 1500 to 3500 charged particles produced per bunch crossing. Basically a PbPb collision!

Heavy ion program will profit greatly from this upgrade !

No saturation of the detector and excellent efficiency to 0% centrality PbPb

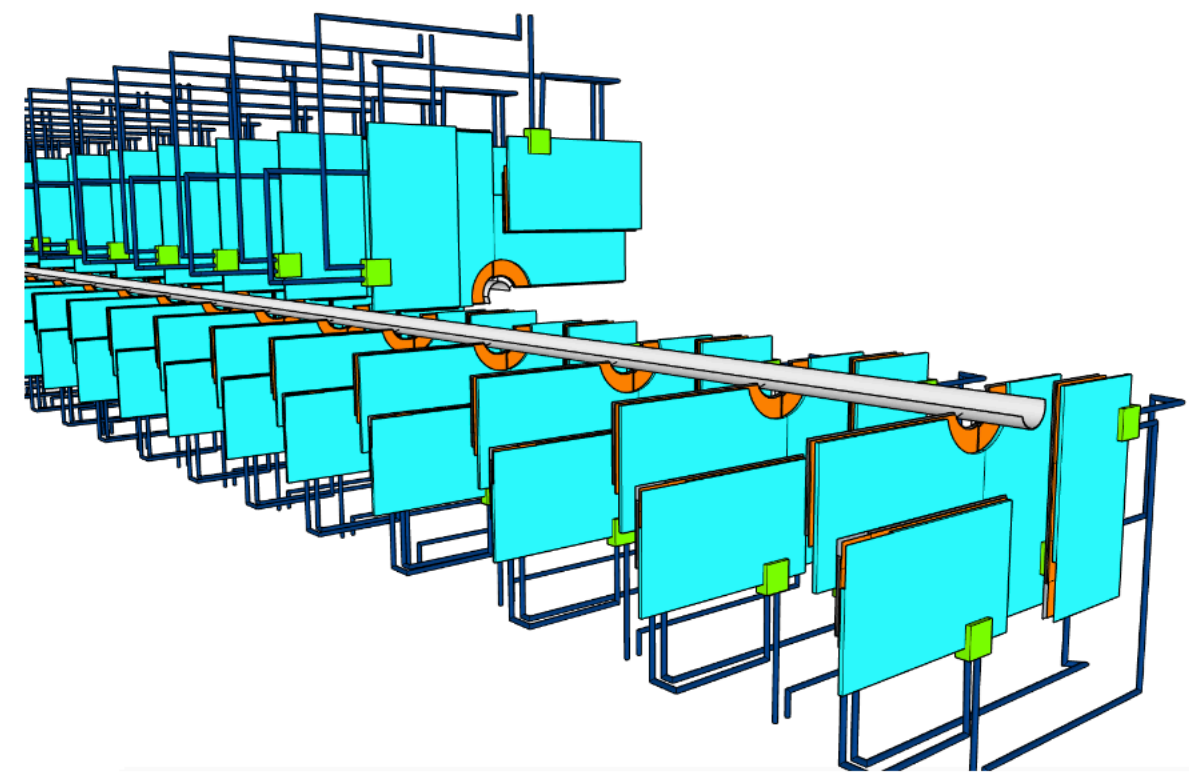
Tracking system

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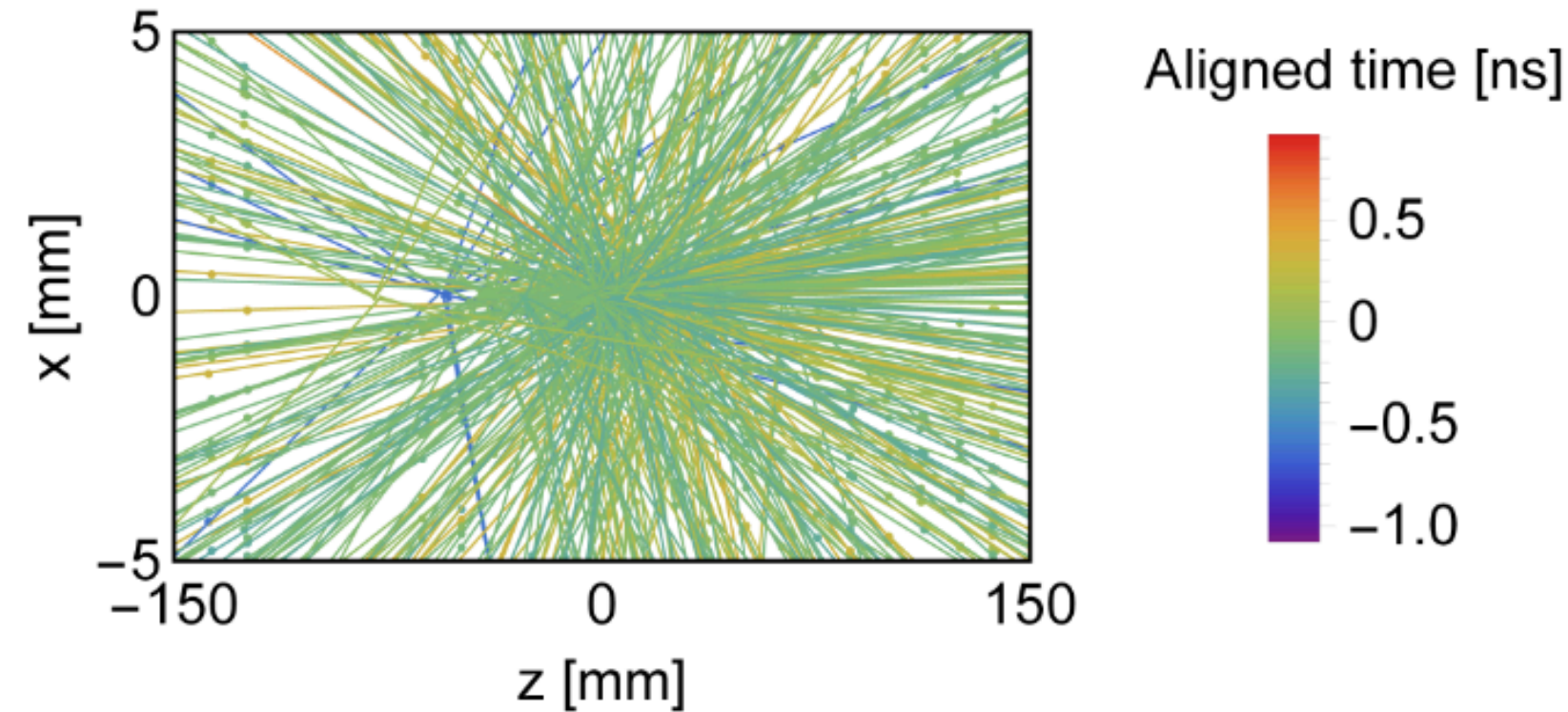


- ❖ The tracking system will be improved a lot
- ❖ New VELO
- ❖ Upgraded SciFi with silicon pixel Mighty Tracker in the inner part
- ❖ Upgraded Sci-Fi
- ❖ Addition of Magnet stations for low momentum charged particle

New VELO Design

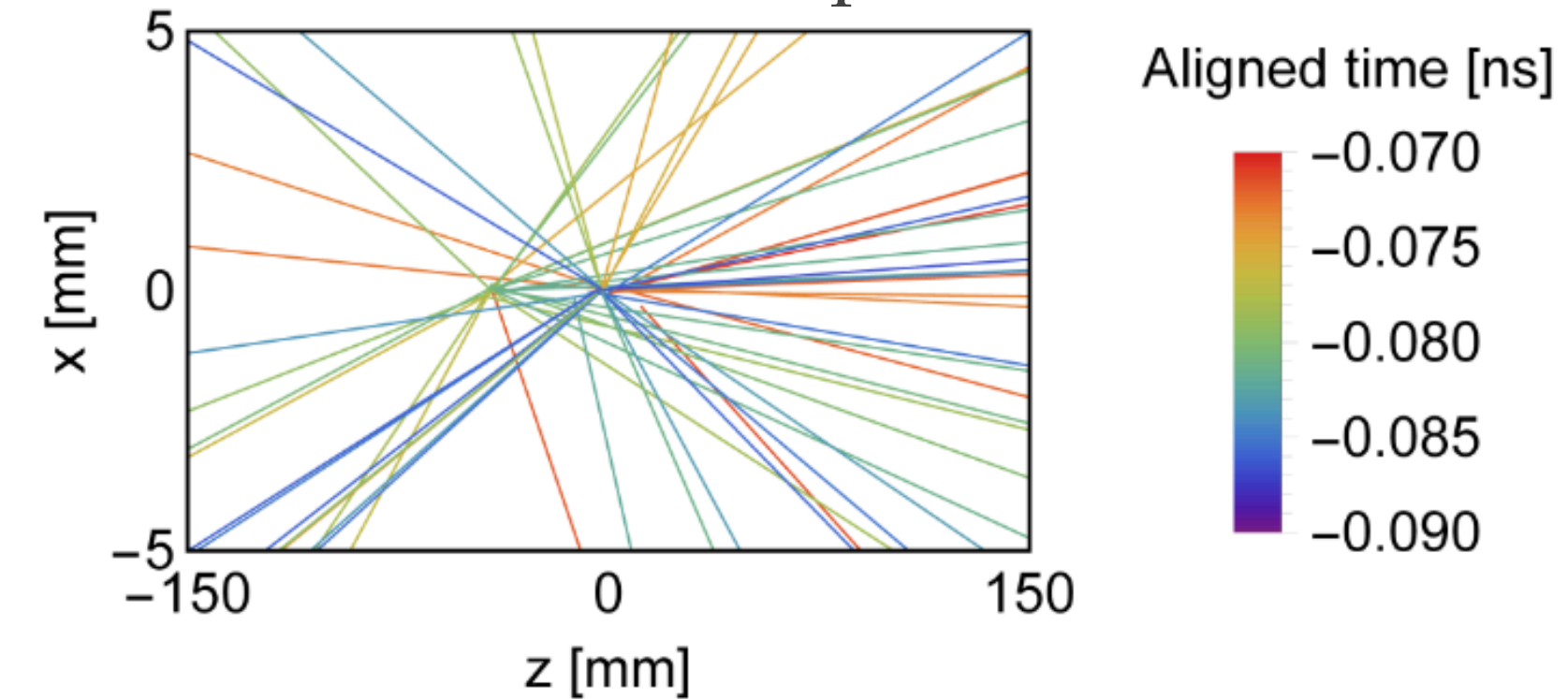


42 collisions in 1ns window



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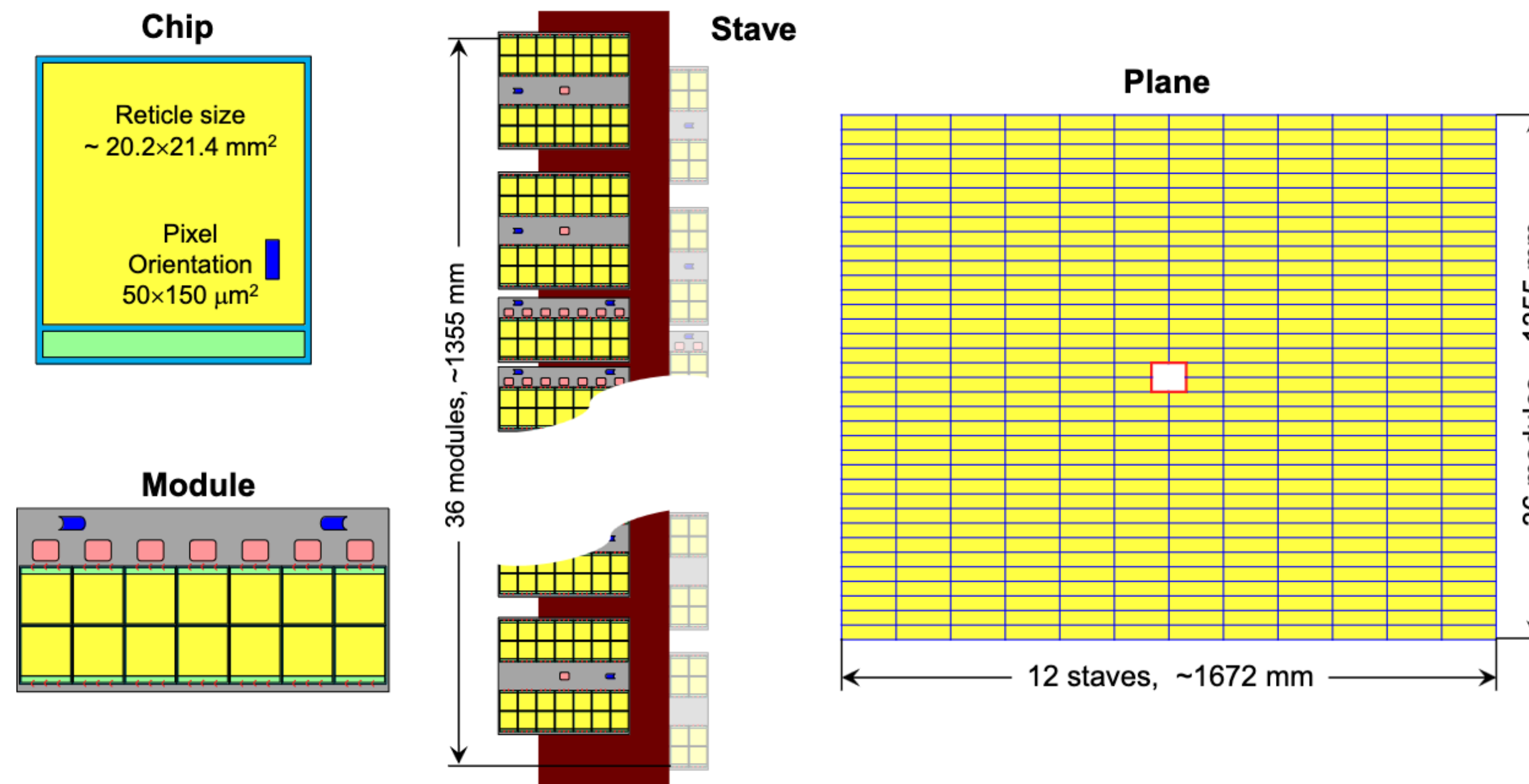
Same but with 20ps



- ❖ Design improved from last VELO. Smaller pixel size, reduced sensor silicon thickness. Better shielding for radiation hardness.
- ❖ Excellent timing to assign each track to the correct primary vertex (PV). Below 20 ps time resolution.
- ❖ Overall better granularity of the detector will benefit the heavy-ion program.

Upstream Tracker (UT)

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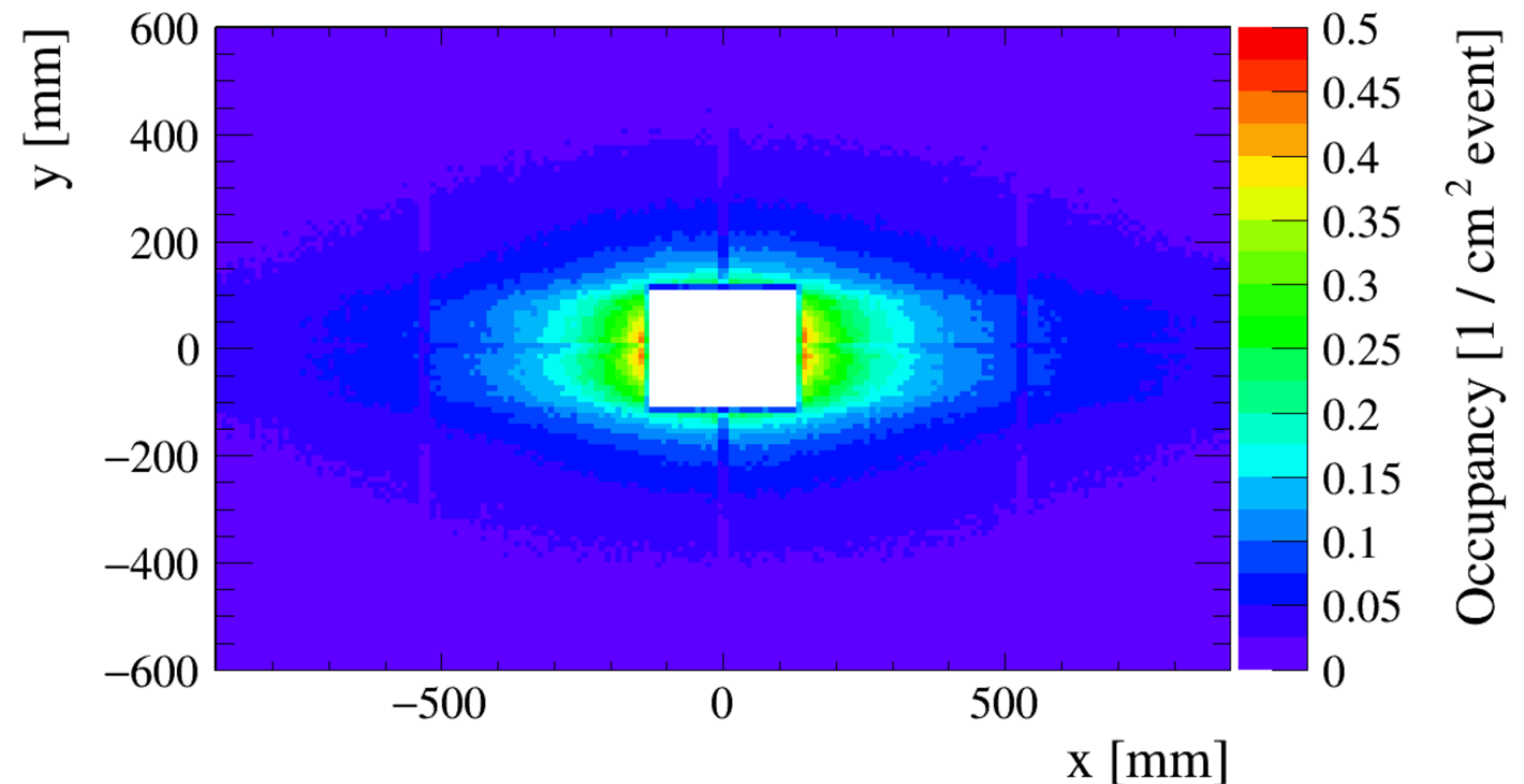
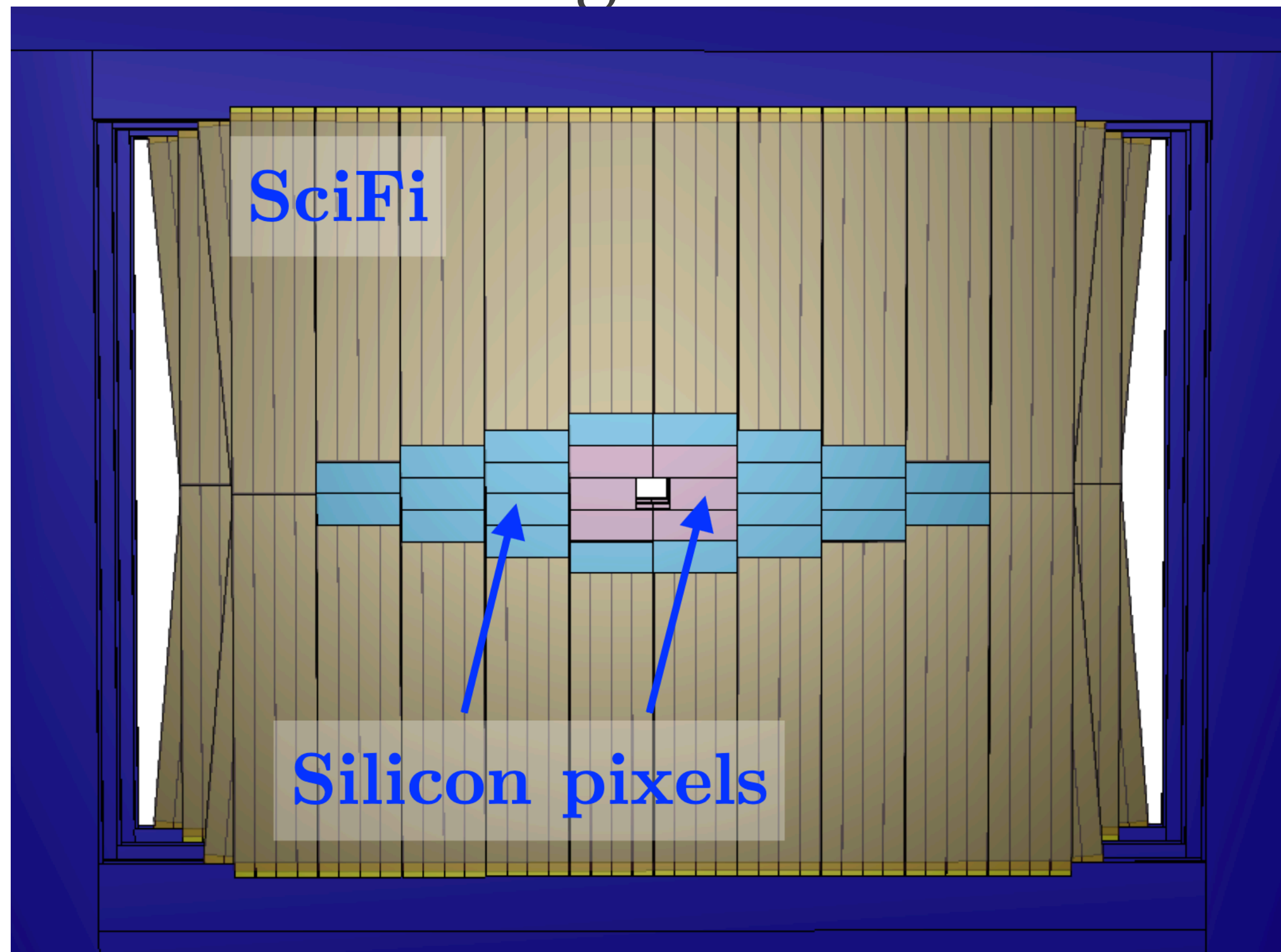


- ❖ Detector based on CMOS MAPs (Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors)
- ❖ Improves track matching between VELO and Forward Tracker
- ❖ Reduces a lot the ghost rate

Mighty Tracker

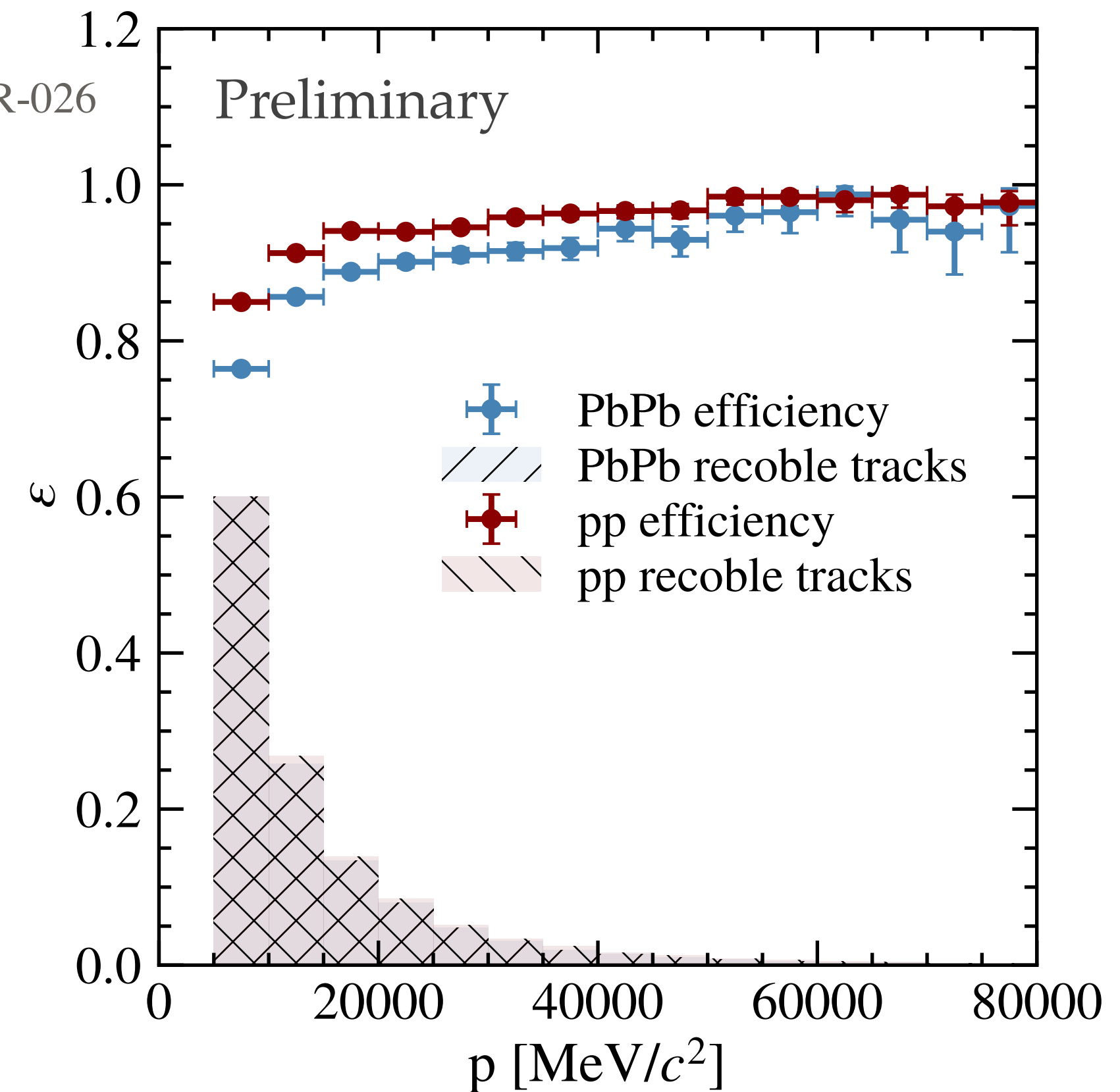
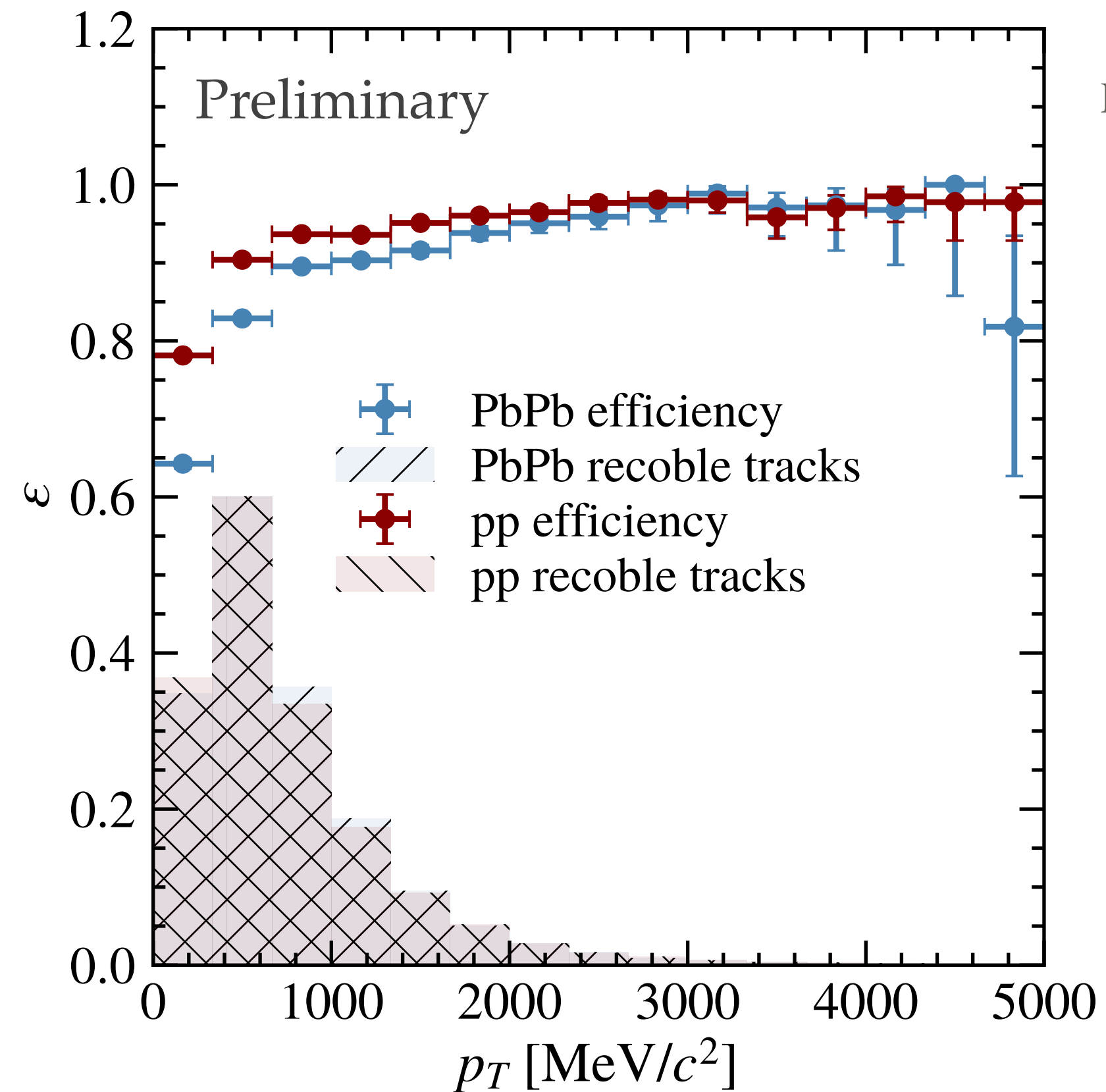
- ❖ Scintillating Fiber and CMOS MAPs close to the beam
- ❖ Better tracking for central PbPb collisions

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First estimation of detector performance

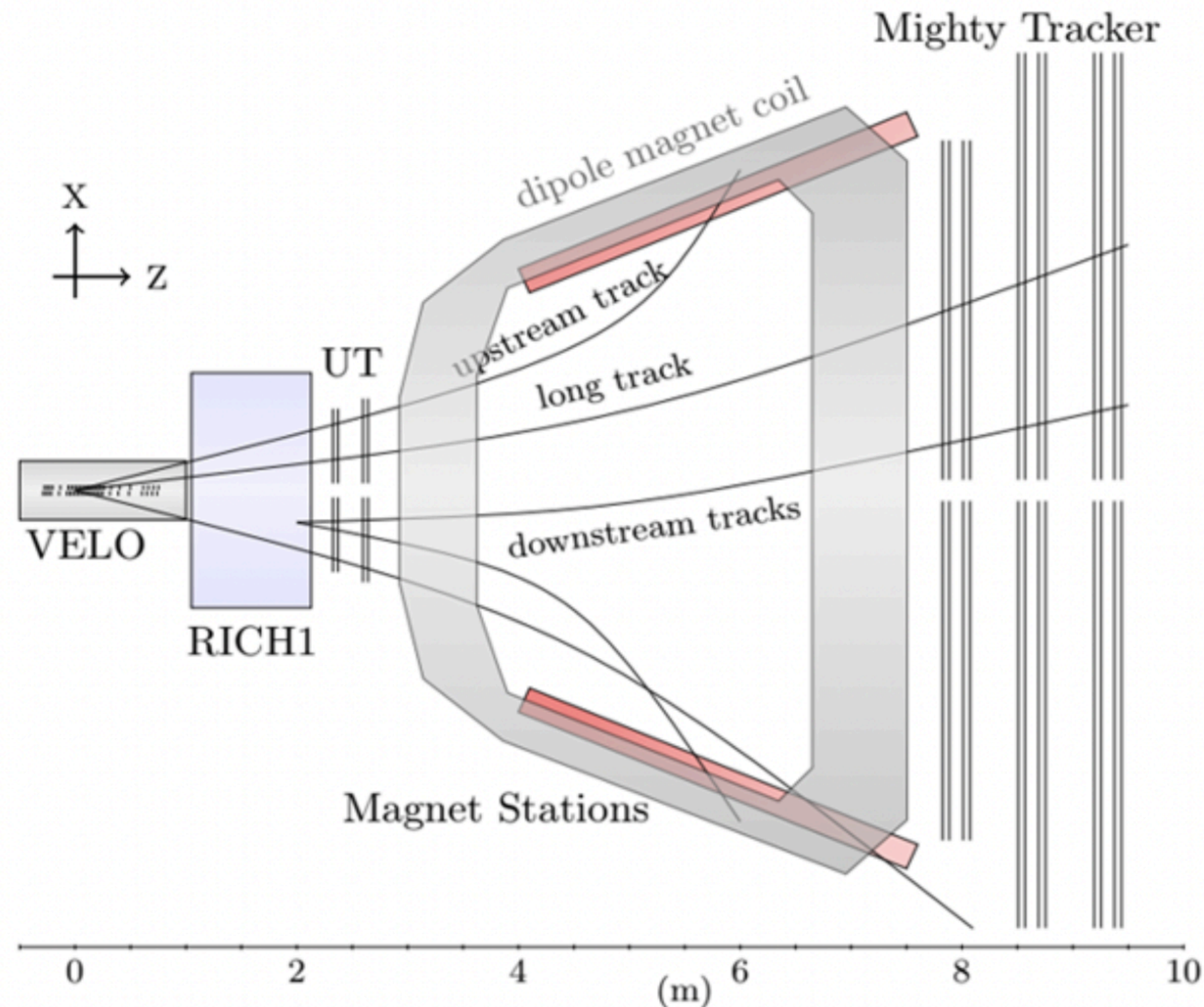
Tracking efficiency in pp collisions compared to PbPb 0-5% centrality



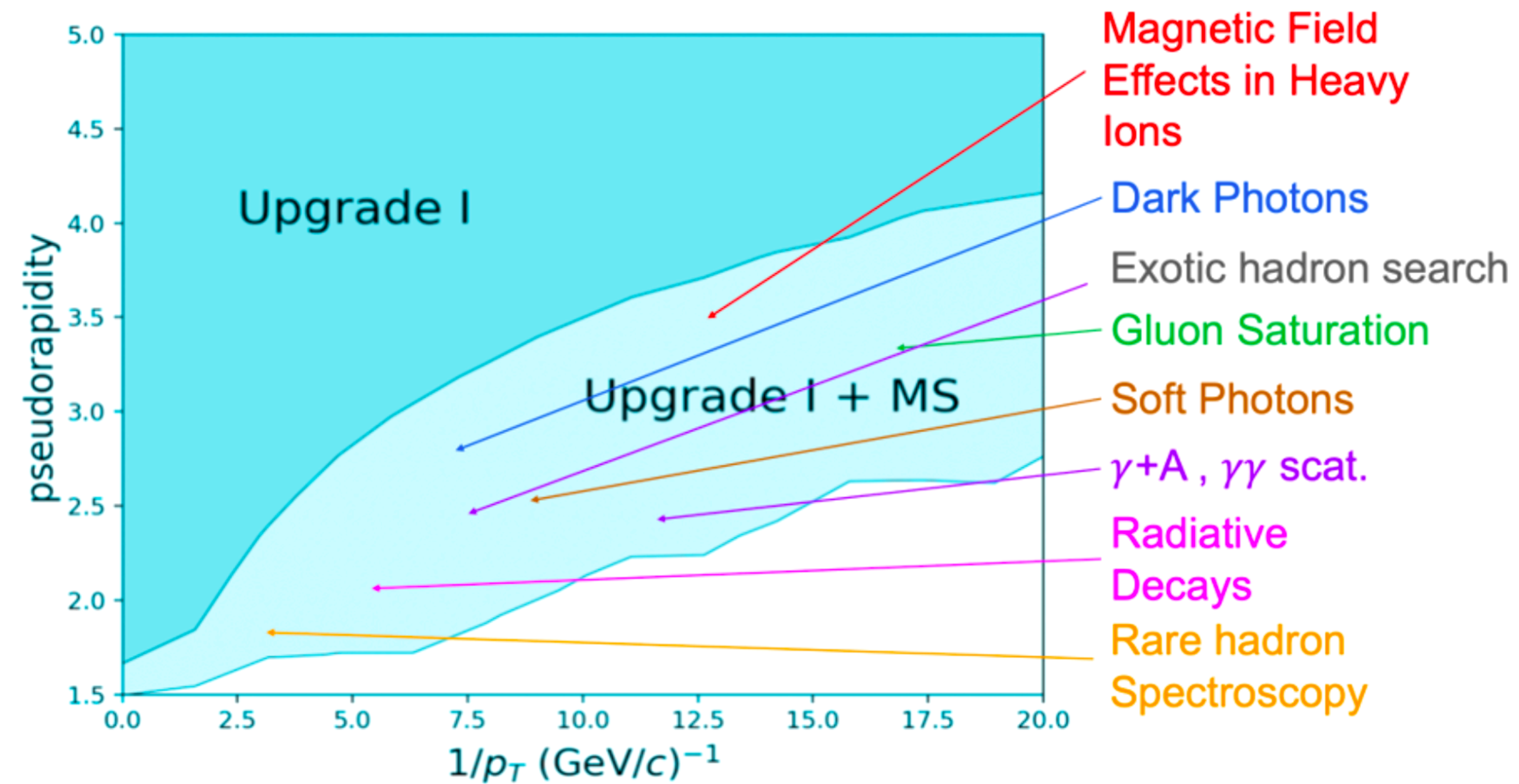
High precision for central collisions!

Design Magnet Stations

- ❖ Scintillators inside the magnet and photomultipliers outside
- ❖ Better acceptance and low- p_T reach



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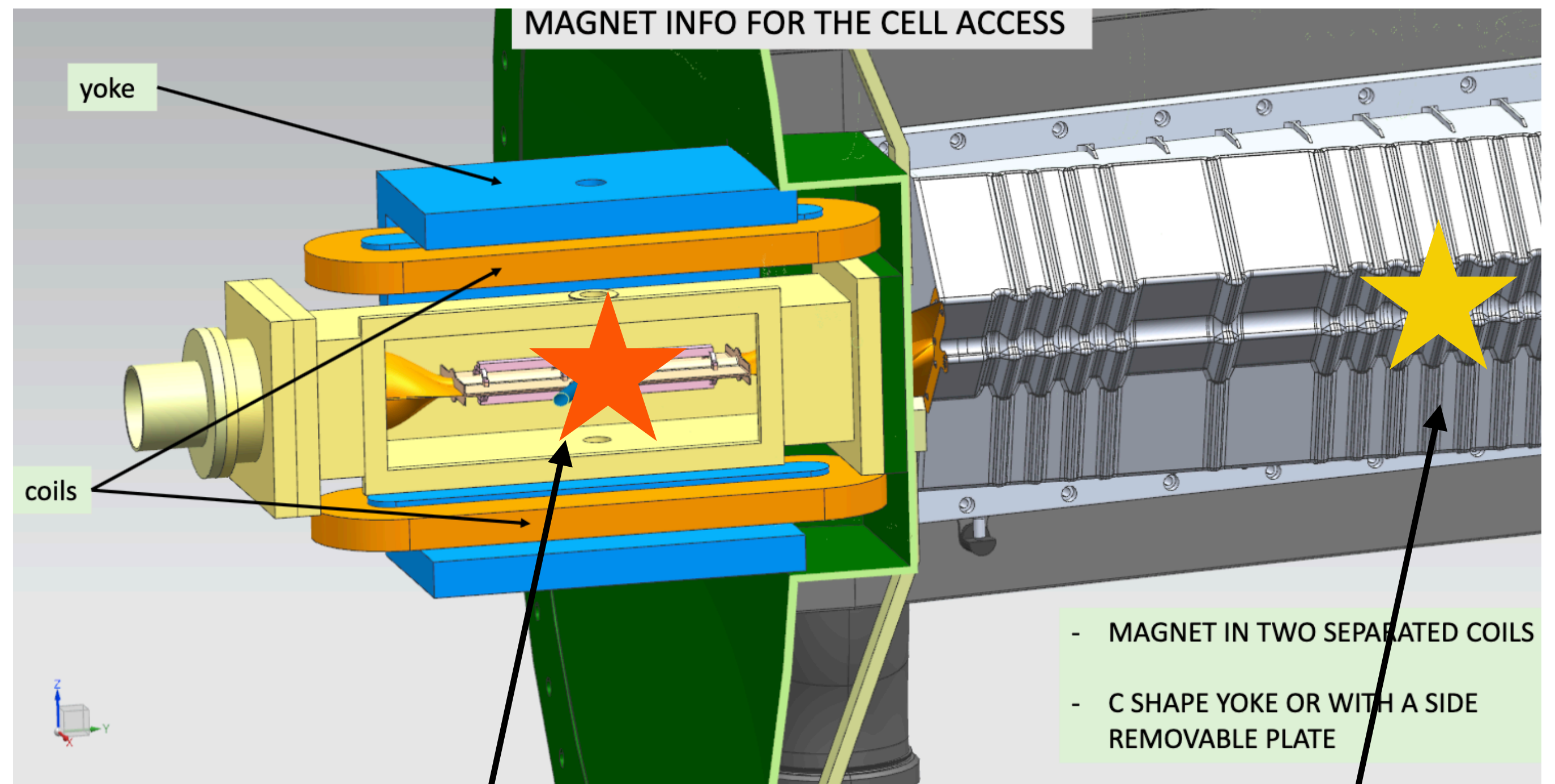


LHCSpin

R&D officially supported by LHCb, but not included in the UII plans yet

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- ❖ Improved SMOG2 system
- ❖ Can work with or without polarized target
- ❖ When polarized target only hydrogen and deuterium
- ❖ Work in parallel of the collider mode -> high statistic



BeamGas interaction

BeamBeam interaction

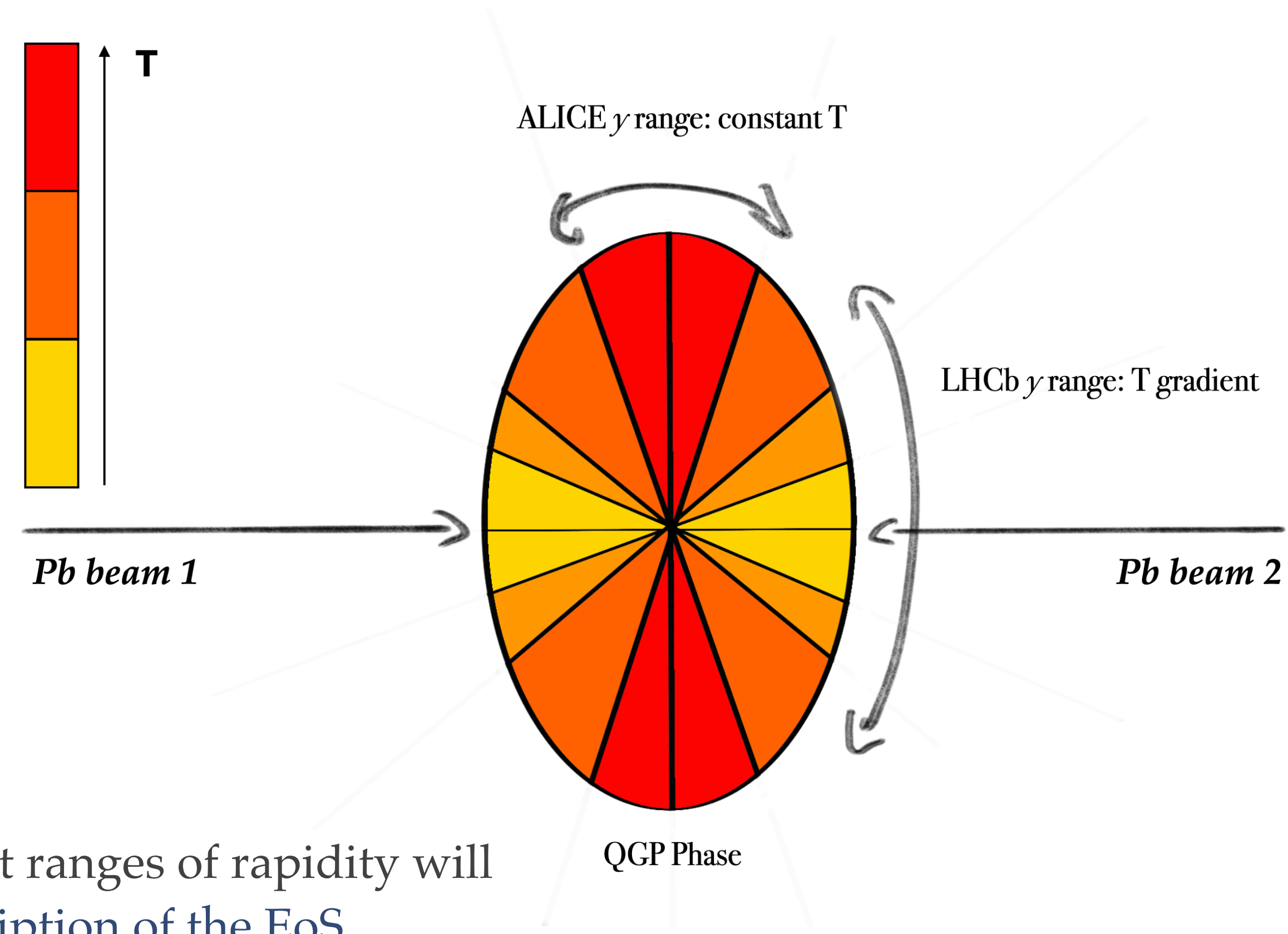
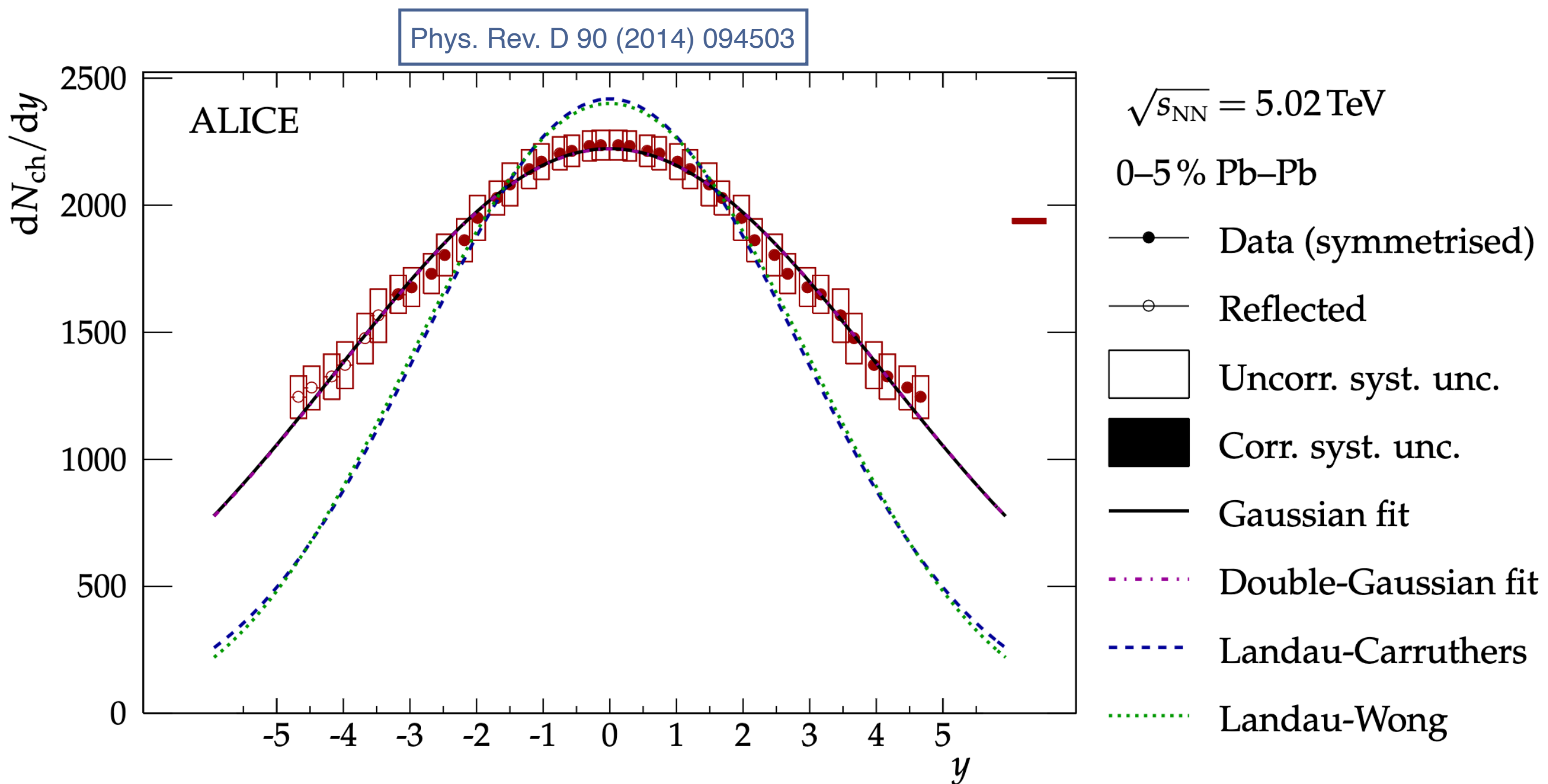
What does it mean for the heavy-ion physics program?

- ❖ After interesting discussion with the theory community during a [*workshop*](#), we pinned down flagship measurements
- ❖ Most of them will take advantage of a fully operational detector for PbPb collisions in the forward region but obviously the improvement will benefit smaller system (lower p_T reach, better precision, pile-up in pA)
- ❖ We considered $\sim 10 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ luminosity for PbPb during run 5-6, so we expect a large production of c and b particles

Equation of State of QGP

From relativistic hydrodynamic $dN_{ch}/dy \leftrightarrow$ Entropy density

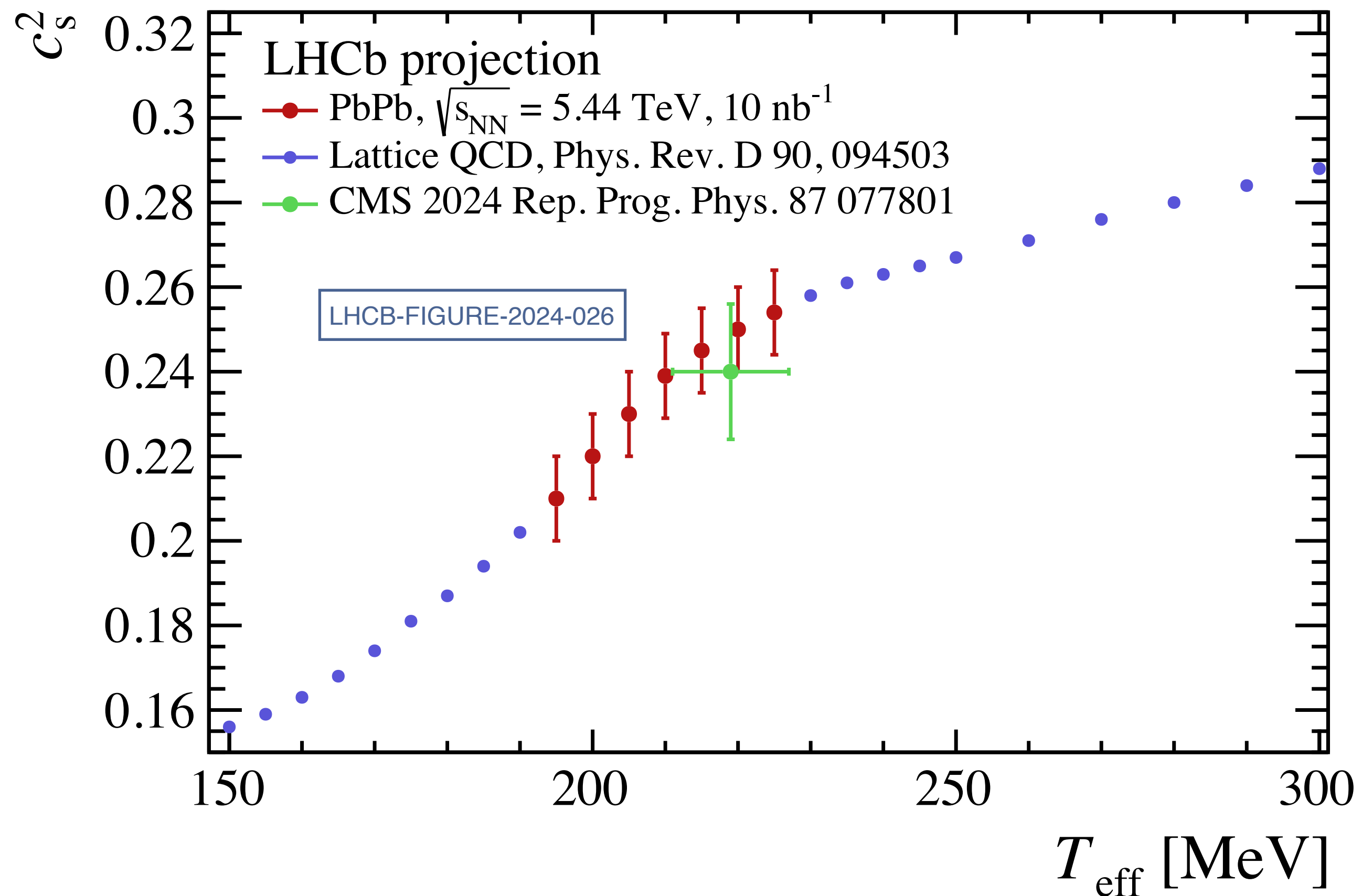
$\langle p_T \rangle$ of Charged particle $\leftrightarrow T^{eff}$



Measurement of $\langle p_T \rangle$ for different ranges of rapidity will give an unprecedented description of the EoS

Equation of State of QGP

A LHCb projection on the speed of sound for different temperatures

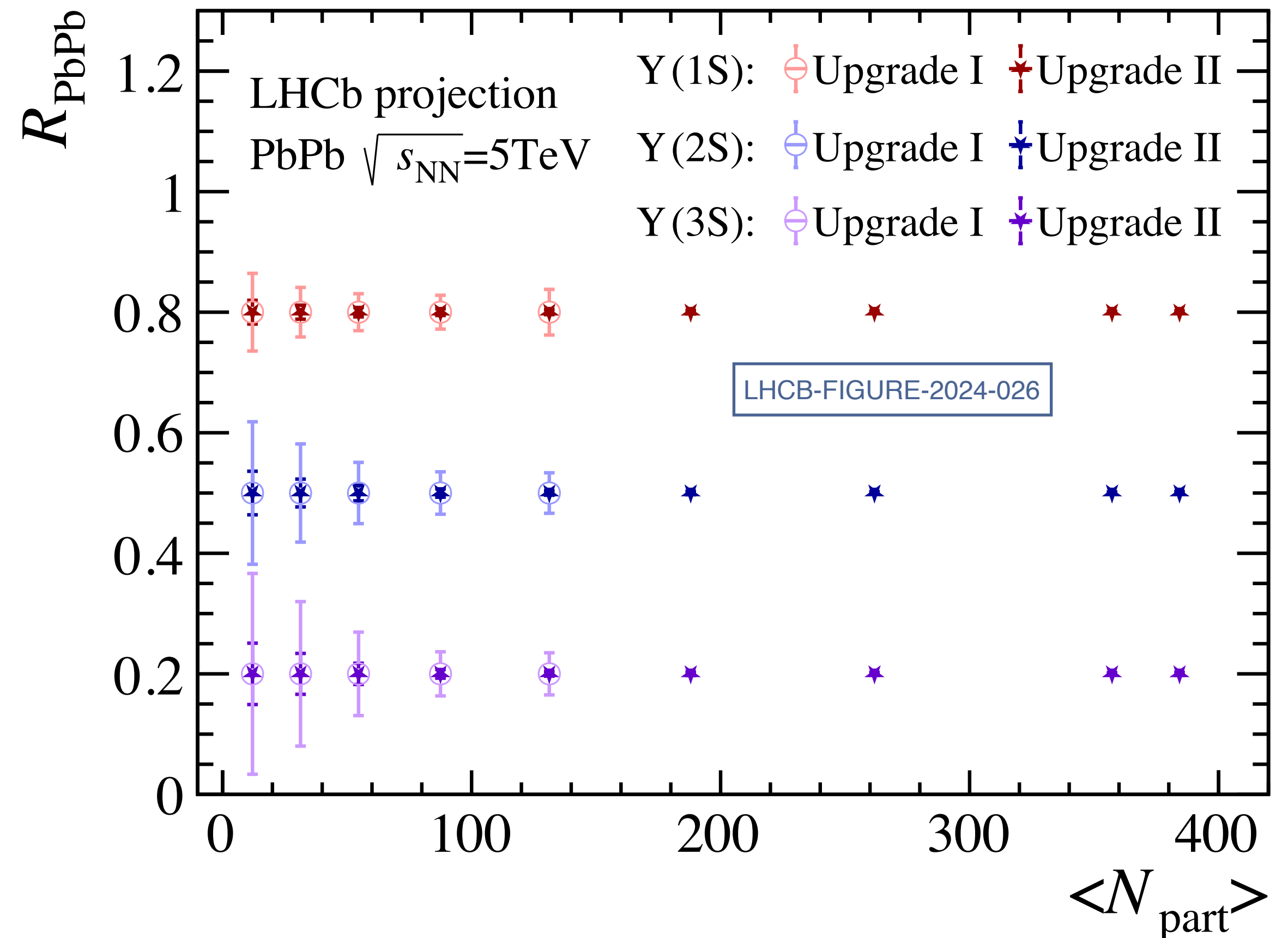


- ❖ Many study as a function of measured temperature!
- ❖ Quarkonia suppression
- ❖ Jet quenching
- ❖ Link between temperature and hadronisation?

Quarkonia suppression

- ❖ Use bottomonia to study the QGP temperature through colour screening
- ❖ Much less recombination than for charmonia
- ❖ However, η_c , $\chi_{c,b}$ production might be better understood in the reference pp collisions.
- ❖ LHCb's robust PID and high statistic in PbPb collisions will make η_c , $\chi_{c,b}$ R_{PbPb} measurements possible!

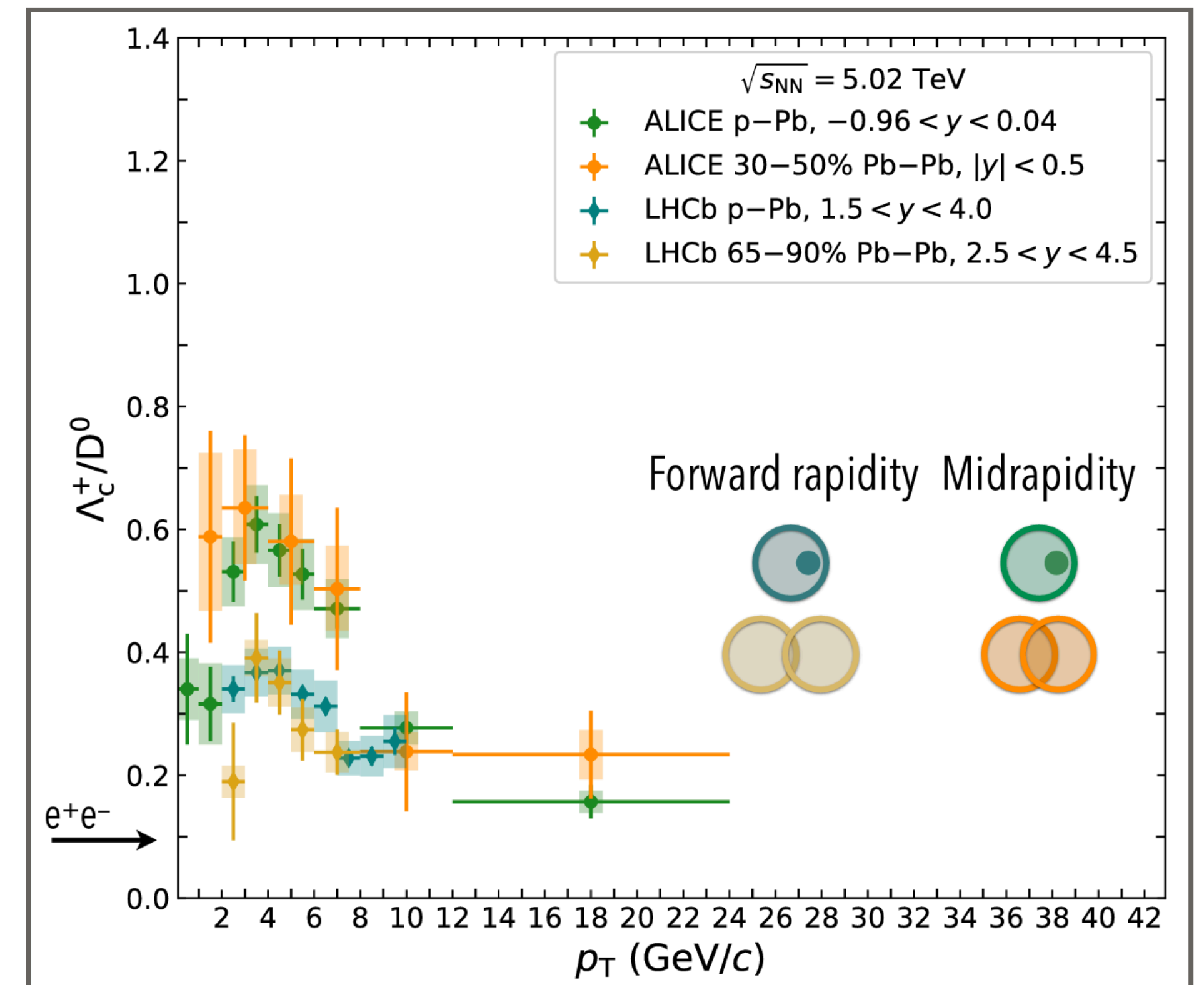
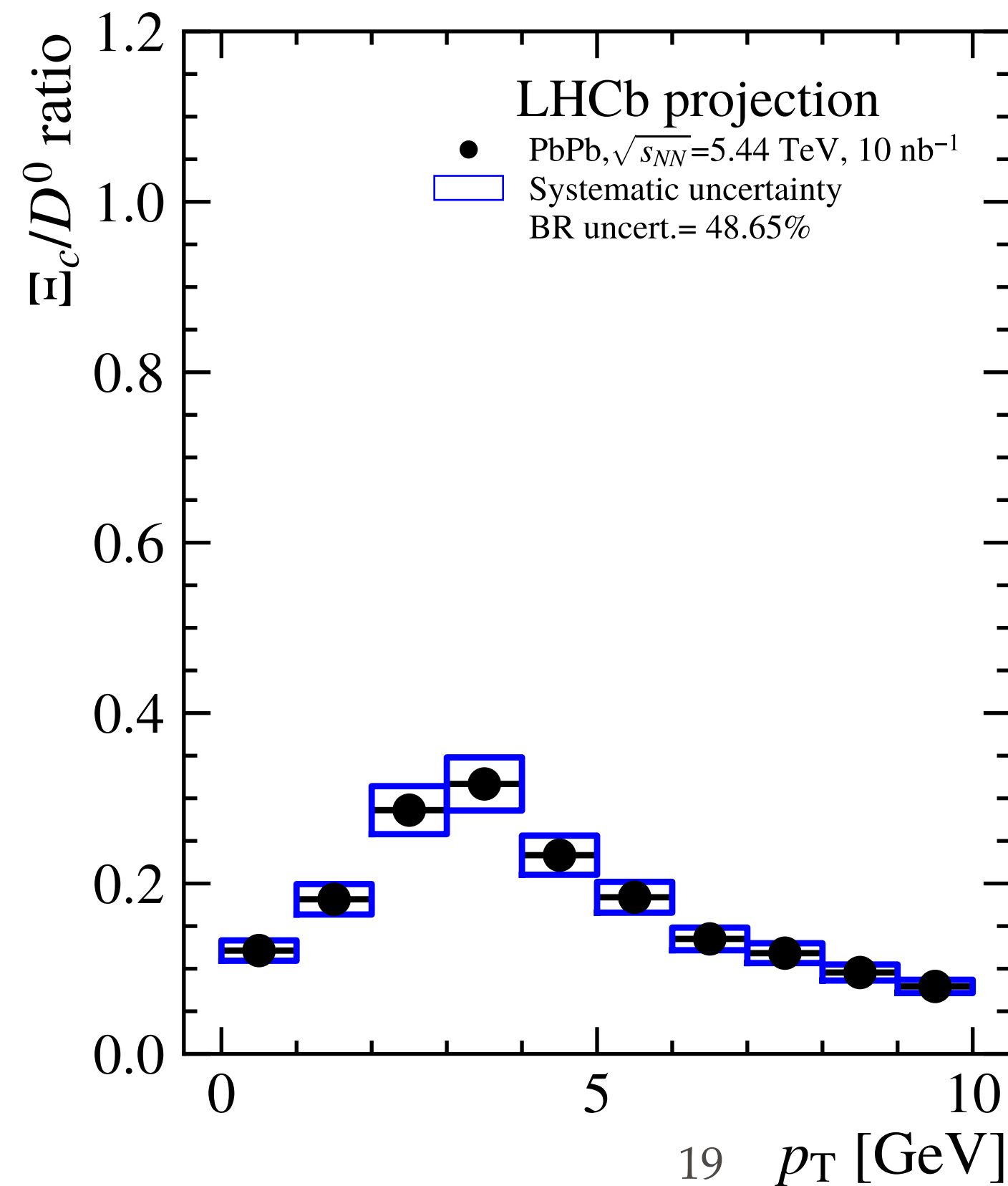
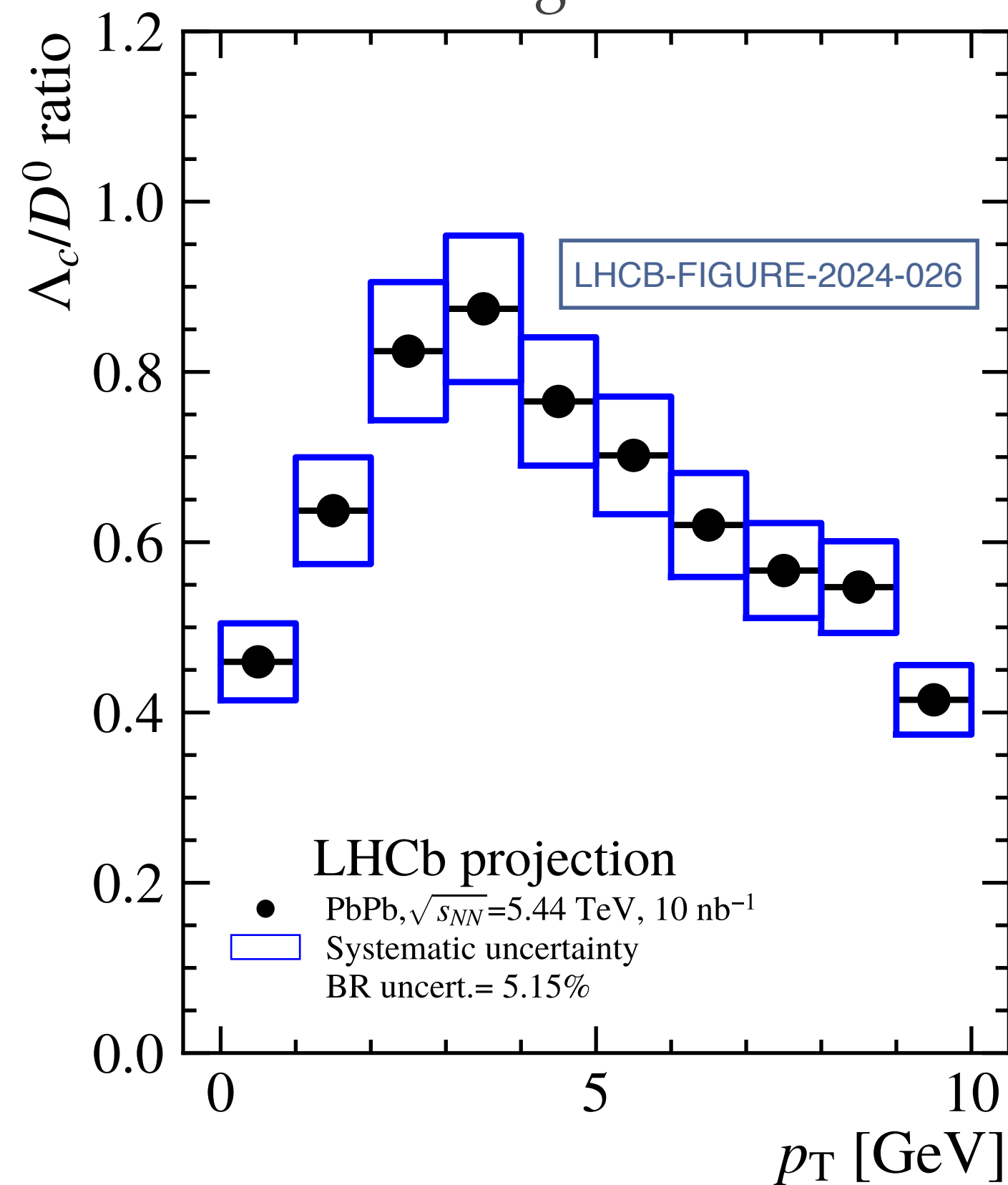
Excellent resolution, no overlap between states



Heavy Flavor and Hadronisation

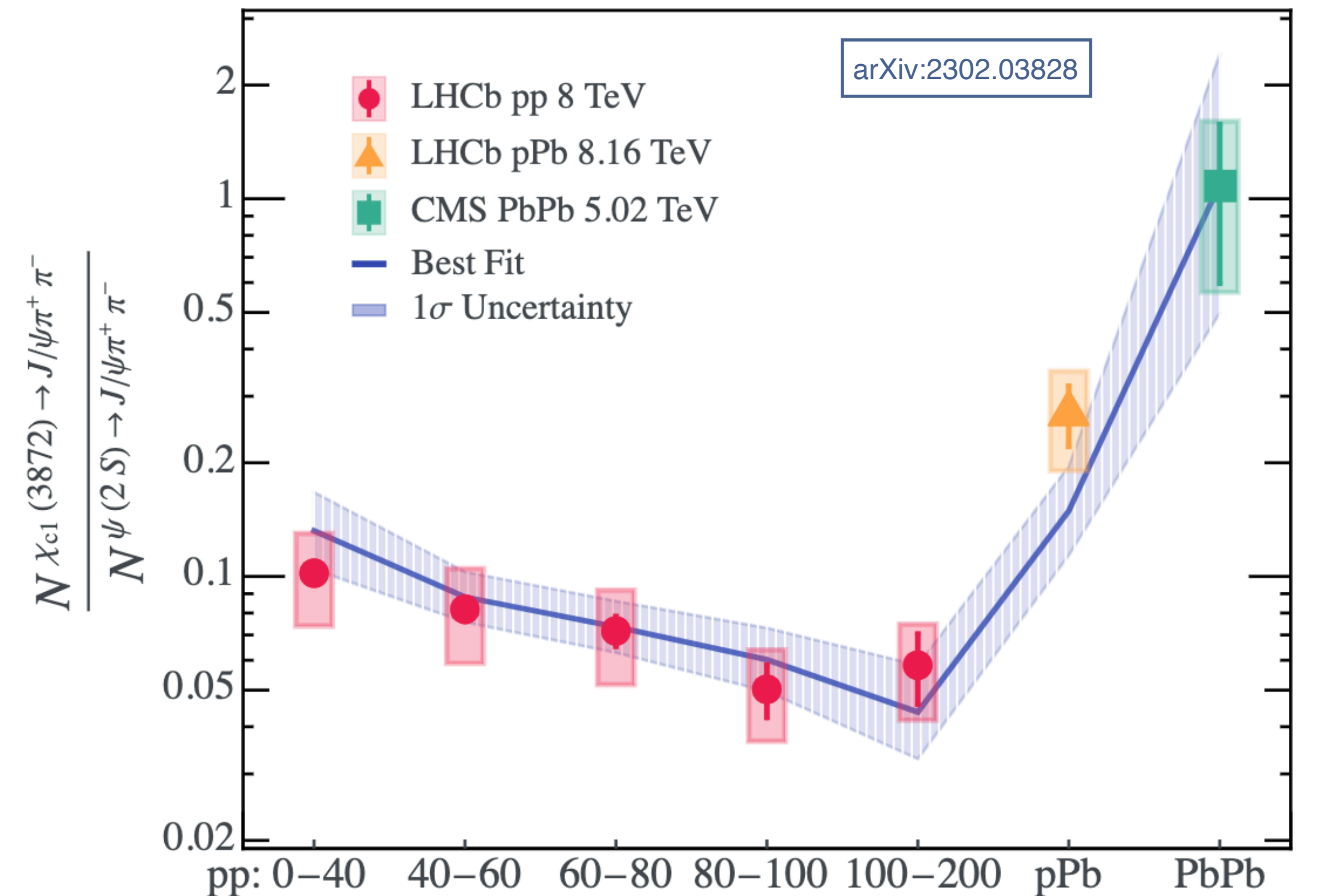
- ❖ Measurement of heavy flavor baryon-to-meson ratio to study hadronization mechanisms.
- ❖ The description of this mechanisms still at his beginning and more experimental results are needed as discrepancy in pPb and PbPb between ALICE and LHCb is not yet understood.

Enough stat. for double differential measurement!



Exotica particles

- ❖ Thanks to its PID capabilities and b vertex identification, LHCb discovered many exotic states.
- ❖ Most of those states are considered to be made of 4 quarks whether in a compact or molecular form.
- ❖ Yield of $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ in a hot medium will depend on its hadronisation (increased yield if coalescence...)

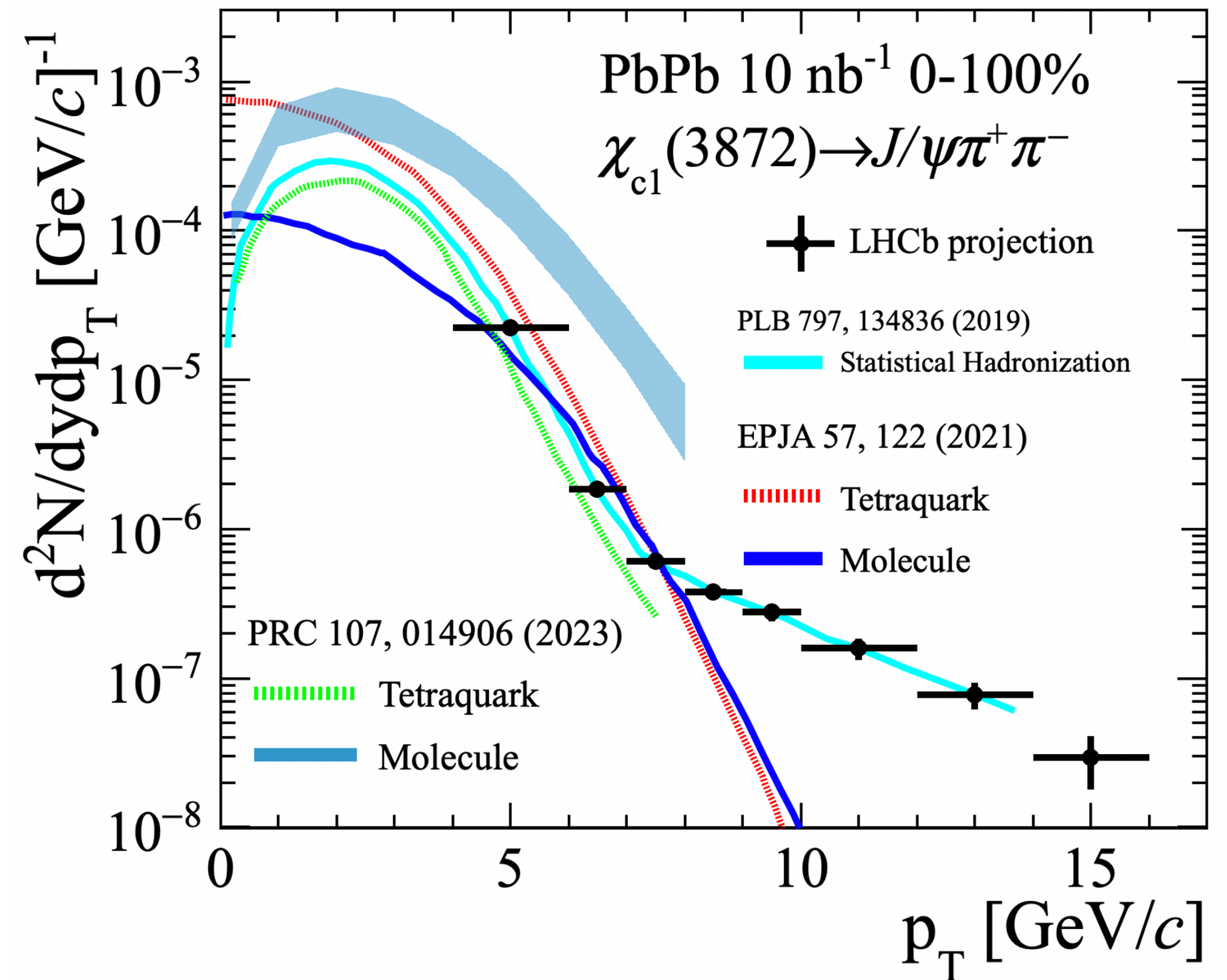


Projection done without the inclusion of the Magnet Station

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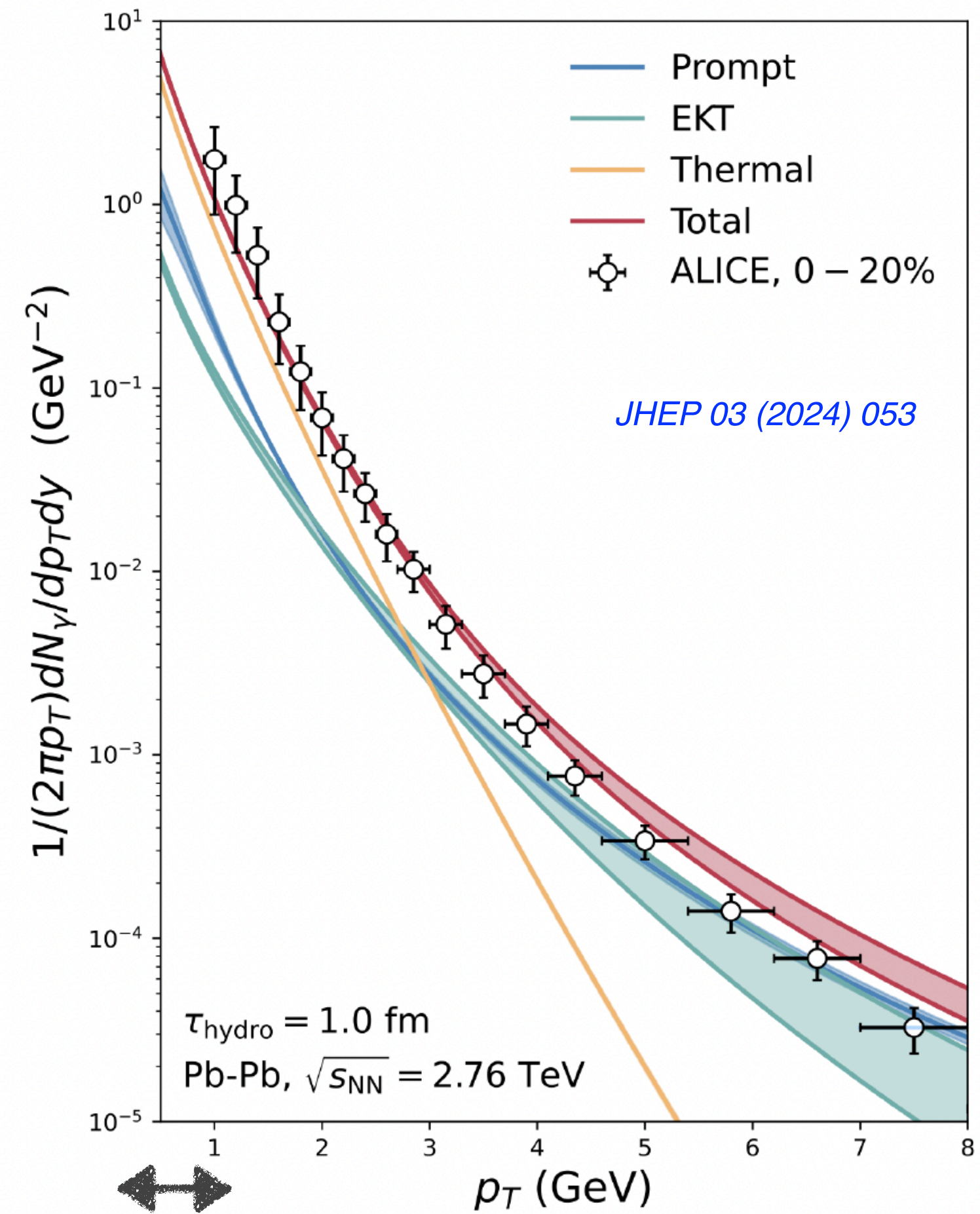
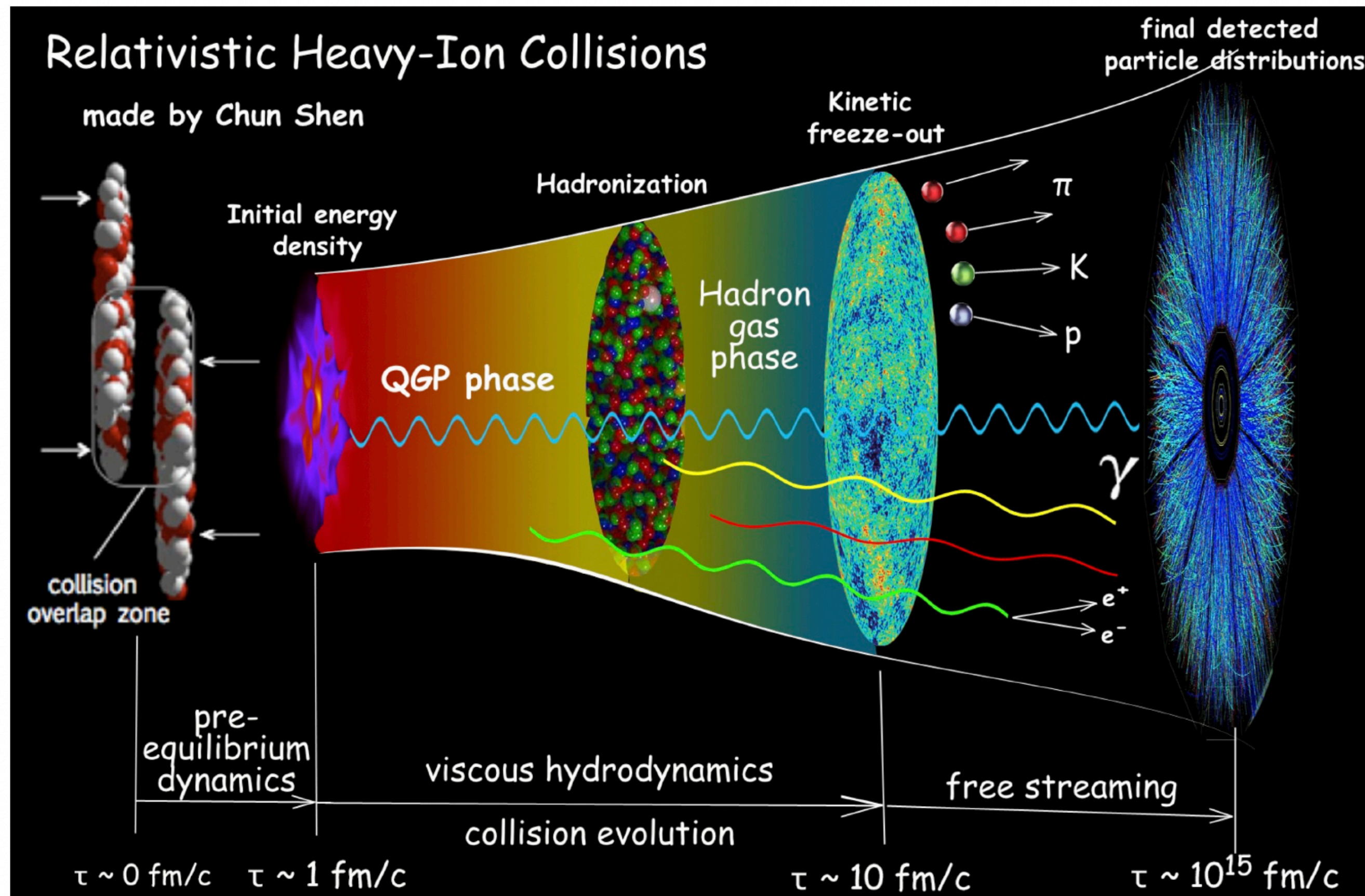
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Electromagnetic probes

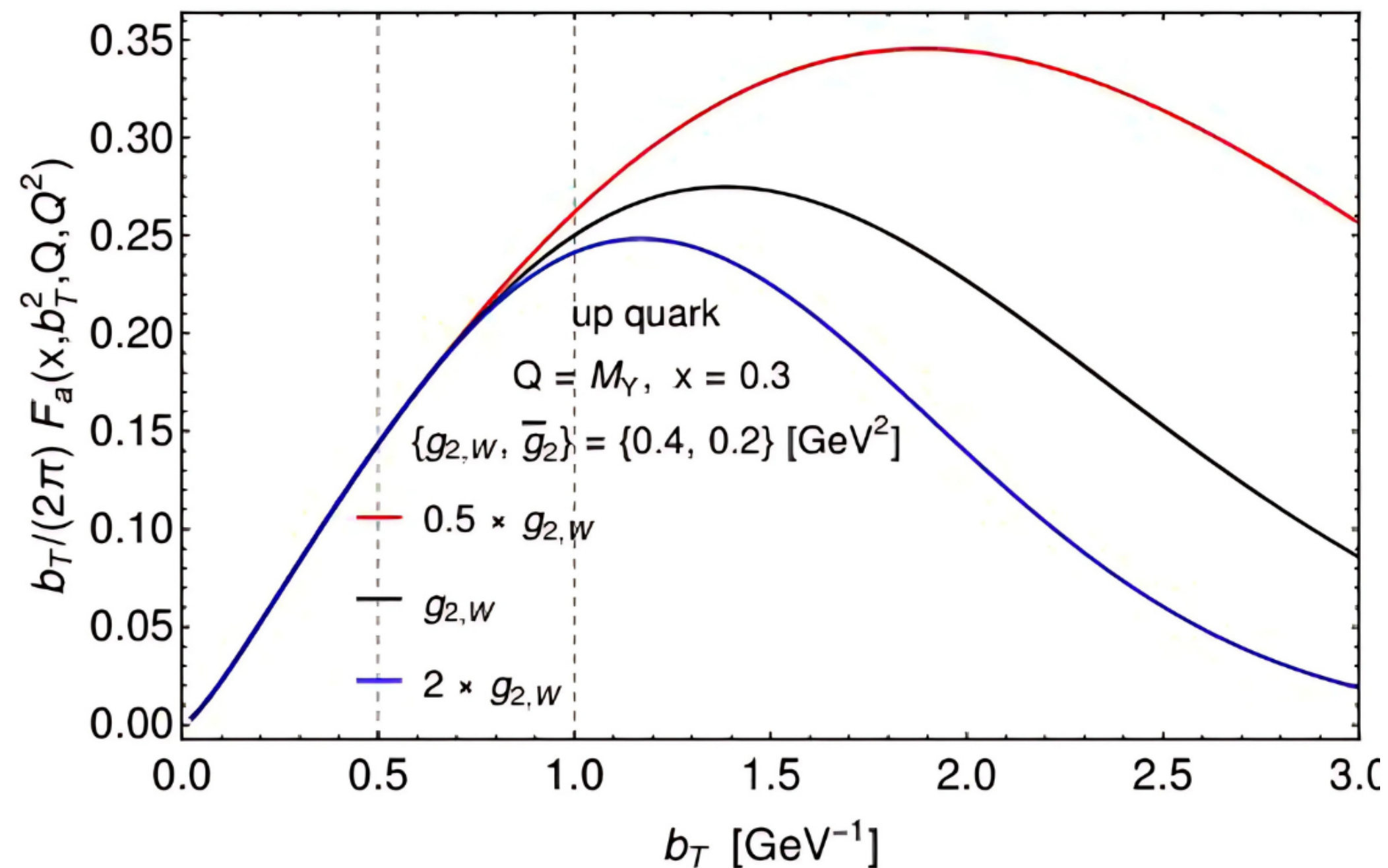


Reach low transverse momentum photon thanks to the Magnet Stations and photon conversion

LHCSpin

- ❖ Unique system complementary to future EIC
- ❖ Study non perturbative parameters in TMDs with Drell Yan and heavy quarks
- ❖ Measure η_c in different polarization configuration

At Mid Q and Large x



unpolarized

$$\frac{d\sigma_{UU}(\eta_Q)}{dy d^2\mathbf{q}_T} = \frac{2 \pi^3 \alpha_s^2}{9 M_h^3 s} \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_1^{\eta_Q} (^1S_0) | 0 \rangle \left\{ \mathcal{C} [f_1^g f_1^g] - \mathcal{C} [w_{UU} h_1^{\perp g} h_1^{\perp g}] \right\}$$

Transversely polarized

$$\frac{d\sigma_{UT}(\eta_b)}{dy d^2\mathbf{q}_T} = \frac{2 \pi^3 \alpha_s^2}{9 M_h^3 s} \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_1^{\eta_b} (^1S_0) | 0 \rangle |\mathbf{S}_{TB}| \sin\phi_S \times \left\{ \mathcal{C} [w_{UT}^{(A)} f_1^g f_{1T}^{\perp g}] - \mathcal{C} [w_{UT}^{(B)} h_1^{\perp g} h_1^g] - \mathcal{C} [w_{UT}^{(C)} h_1^{\perp g} h_{1T}^{\perp g}] \right\}$$

Longitudinally polarized

$$\frac{d\sigma_{UL}}{dy d^2\mathbf{q}_T} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \text{non-zero signal..? Twist 3 gluon TMDs}$$

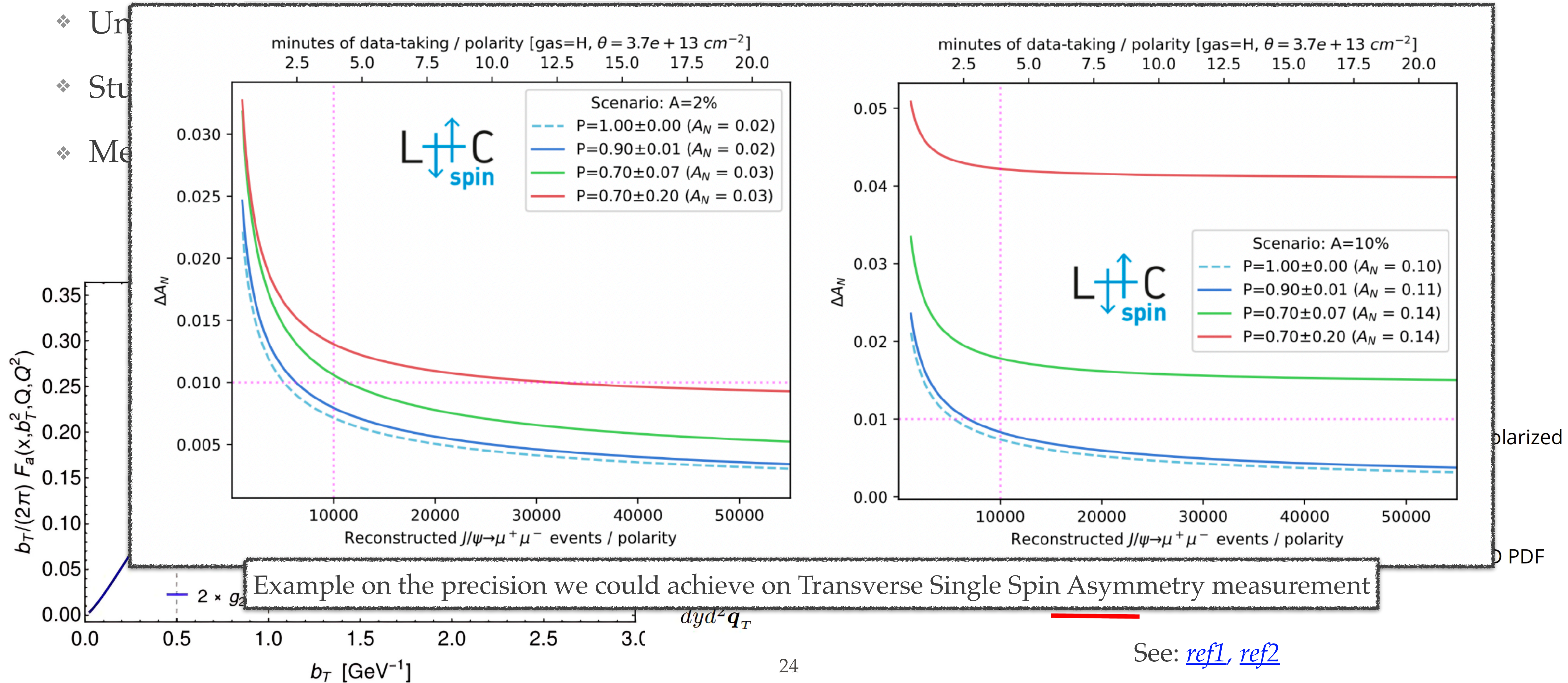
Unpolarized gluons

Longitudinally polarized gluons

Sivers gluon TMD PDF

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Nuclei structure

- ❖ High statistic pA collisions will be also crucial to study saturation effect in the forward direction. In particular if the Upgrade II allows to have **pile-up for pA collisions**
- ❖ High statistic as well for exclusive measurement in pPb and $PbPb$
- ❖ Partonic distribution in small system collision thanks to **low- p_T photon isolation measurement using the Magnet Station**

Conclusion

- ❖ The upgrade II of the LHCb detector will unlock high precision heavy-ion physics in the forward direction, making it a unique detector to study mechanisms of saturation, thermalization, and hadronization.
- ❖ The addition of the LHCSpin will unlock many studies to understand nuclear structure distribution, showing great complementarities to the future EIC.
- ❖ A public note is being prepared