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# Speed of Sound - Experimental Discussion

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Dashed line: Ideal gas  $c_s^2 = 1/3$

Solid line:  $c_s^2 = 1/5$

Studies using PbPb collisions at SPS energies

- Landau hydrodynamics model

- Rapidity distribution of hadrons related to  $c_s$

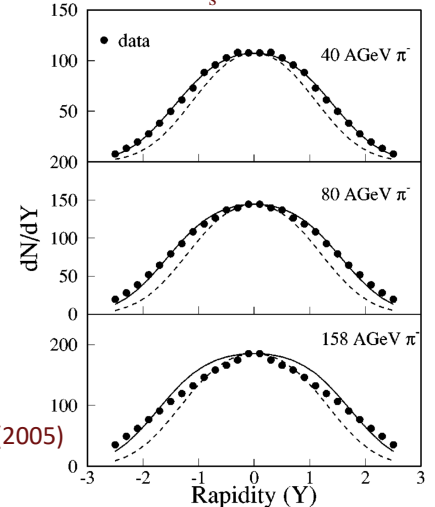
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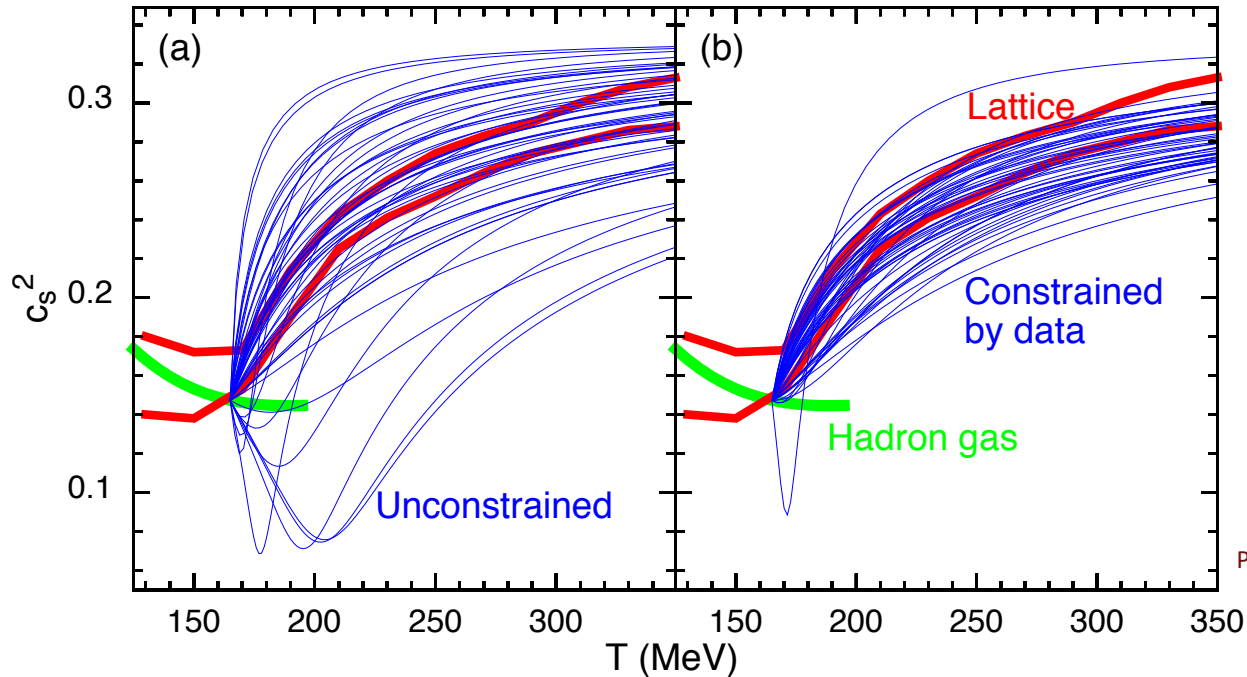
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# Speed of Sound Extraction: RHIC & LHC

Constraints on  $c_s^2$  from data (Bayesian analysis)



Phys. Rev. Lett. **114**, 202301 (2015)

# Speed of Sound Extraction: New Ideas

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From thermodynamics relations and hydrodynamics simulations

$$\square c_s^2(T_{\text{eff}}) = \frac{dP}{d\varepsilon} = \left. \frac{sdT}{Tds} \right|_{T_{\text{eff}}} = \frac{d \ln \langle p_T \rangle}{d \ln N_{ch}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Nat. Phys. **16**, 615 (2020)} \\ \text{Phys. Lett. B **118**, 138 (1982)} \end{array}$$

- $T_{\text{eff}}$  (effective temperature): averaged over the spacetime evolution of the medium
  - Reduced by longitudinal cooling (system expansion)
  - Hydrodynamics simulations:  $T_{\text{eff}} \approx \langle p_T \rangle / 3$  Nat. Phys. **16**, 615 (2020)

# Procedure 1: Different Energies

PbPb ALICE data at 2.76 TeV and 5.02 TeV

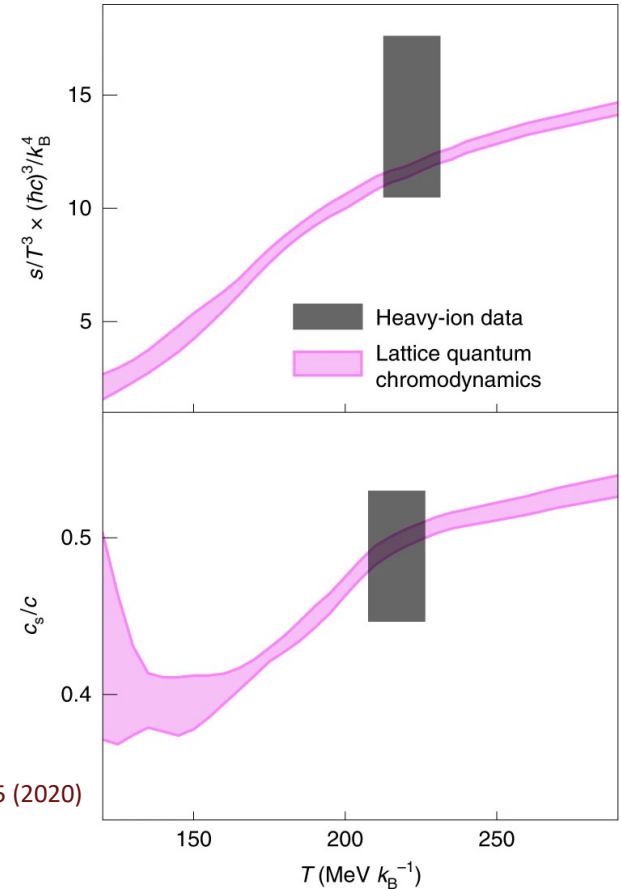
0-5% centrality

Speed of sound squared directly from

$$c_s^2(T_{\text{eff}}) = \frac{d \ln \langle p_T \rangle}{d \ln N_{ch}}$$

Using values of  $\langle p_T \rangle$  and  $N_{ch}$  for the two energies

$$T_{\text{eff}} = 222 \pm 9 \text{ MeV}, \quad c_s^2/c^2 = 0.24 \pm 0.04$$



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# Procedure 2: UCC Events

Non-trivial prediction by relativistic hydrodynamics

□ When impact parameter  $b \approx 0$  (UCC)

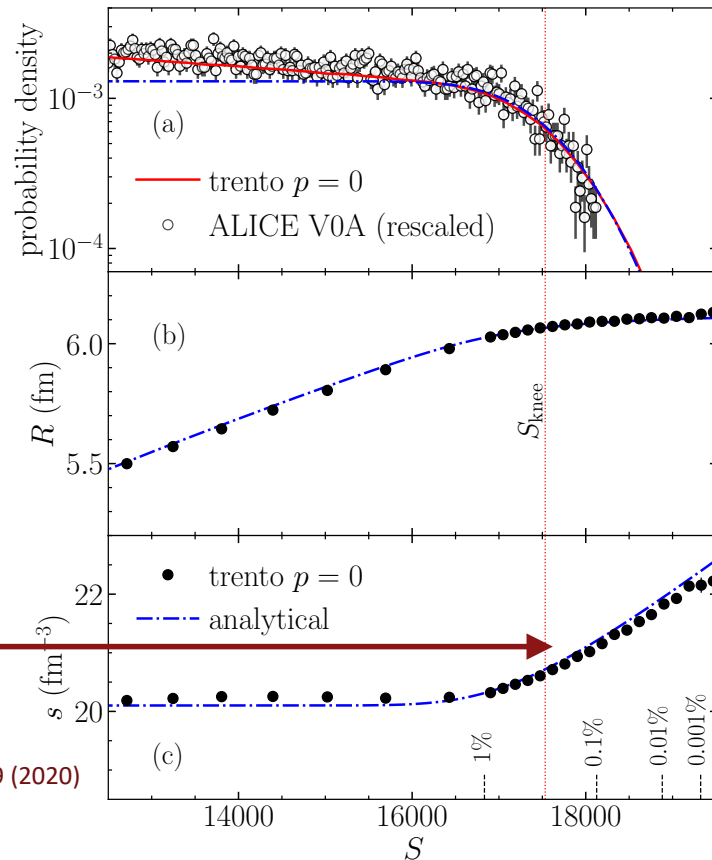
○ Increasing entropy  $S \sim N_{ch}$

○  $\uparrow s \Rightarrow \uparrow T \Rightarrow \uparrow \langle p_T \rangle$

□ Slope associated with

$$c_s^2 = d \ln \langle p_T \rangle / d \ln N_{ch}$$

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# Measurement Using the CMS detector

## CMS DETECTOR

Total weight : 14,000 tonnes  
Overall diameter : 15.0 m  
Overall length : 28.7 m  
Magnetic field : 3.8 T

STEEL RETURN YOKE  
12,500 tonnes

### SILICON TRACKERS

Pixel ( $100 \times 150 \mu\text{m}$ )  $\sim 16\text{m}^2 \sim 66\text{M}$  channels  
Microstrips ( $80 \times 180 \mu\text{m}$ )  $\sim 200\text{m}^2 \sim 9.6\text{M}$  channels

## Tracker

### SUPERCONDUCTING SOLENOID

Niobium titanium coil carrying  $\sim 18,000\text{A}$

### MUON CHAMBERS

Barrel: 250 Drift Tube, 480 Resistive Plate Chambers  
Endcaps: 468 Cathode Strip, 432 Resistive Plate Chambers

### PRESHOWER

Silicon strips  $\sim 16\text{m}^2 \sim 137,000$  channels

### FORWARD CALORIMETER

Steel + Quartz fibres  $\sim 2,000$  Channels

## Hadron Forward (HF) Calorimeters

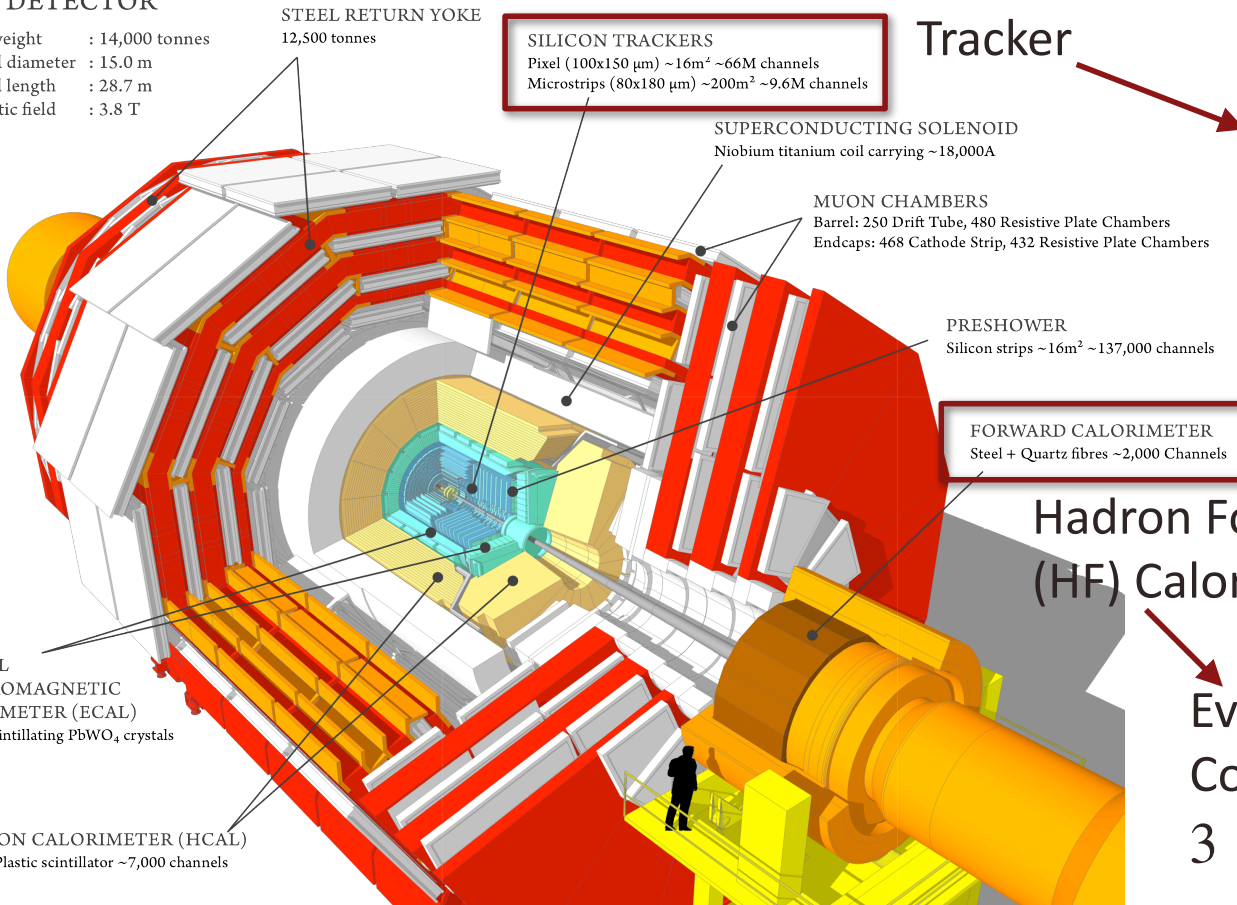
CRYSTAL ELECTROMAGNETIC CALORIMETER (ECAL)  
 $\sim 76,000$  scintillating  $\text{PbWO}_4$  crystals

HADRON CALORIMETER (HCAL)  
Brass + Plastic scintillator  $\sim 7,000$  channels

$N_{\text{ch}}, p_{\text{T}}$

Used tracks in  
 $|\eta| < 0.5$

Event selection  
Collision centrality  
 $3 < |\eta| < 5$



# Analysis method - observables

The  $c_s^2$  depends on the relative variation of  $\langle p_T \rangle$  vs  $N_{\text{ch}}$

□ Extracted using

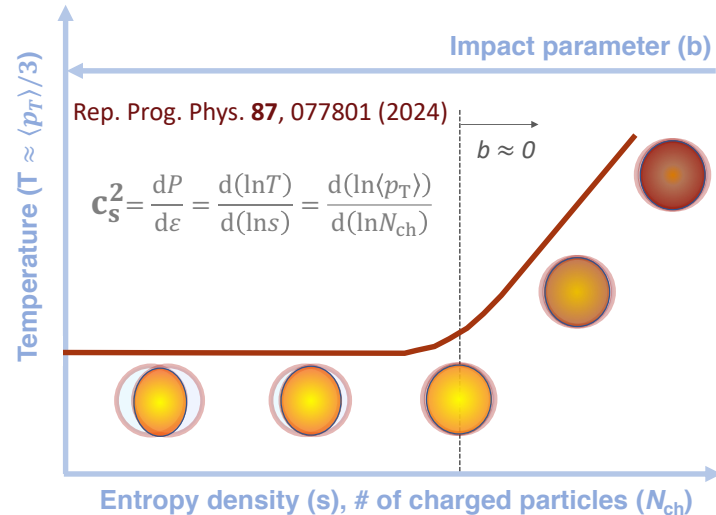
Ratios to cancel some systematic uncertainties

▪  $\frac{\langle p_T \rangle}{\langle p_T \rangle^0} \sim \left( \frac{N_{\text{ch}}}{N_{\text{ch}}^0} \right)^{c_s^2}$ , where  $\langle p_T \rangle^0$  and  $N_{\text{ch}}^0$  are obtained in 0-5%

Analysis observables

$$\langle p_T \rangle^{\text{norm}} = \frac{\langle p_T \rangle}{\langle p_T \rangle^0} \quad \text{vs} \quad N_{\text{ch}}^{\text{norm}} = \frac{N_{\text{ch}}}{N_{\text{ch}}^0}$$

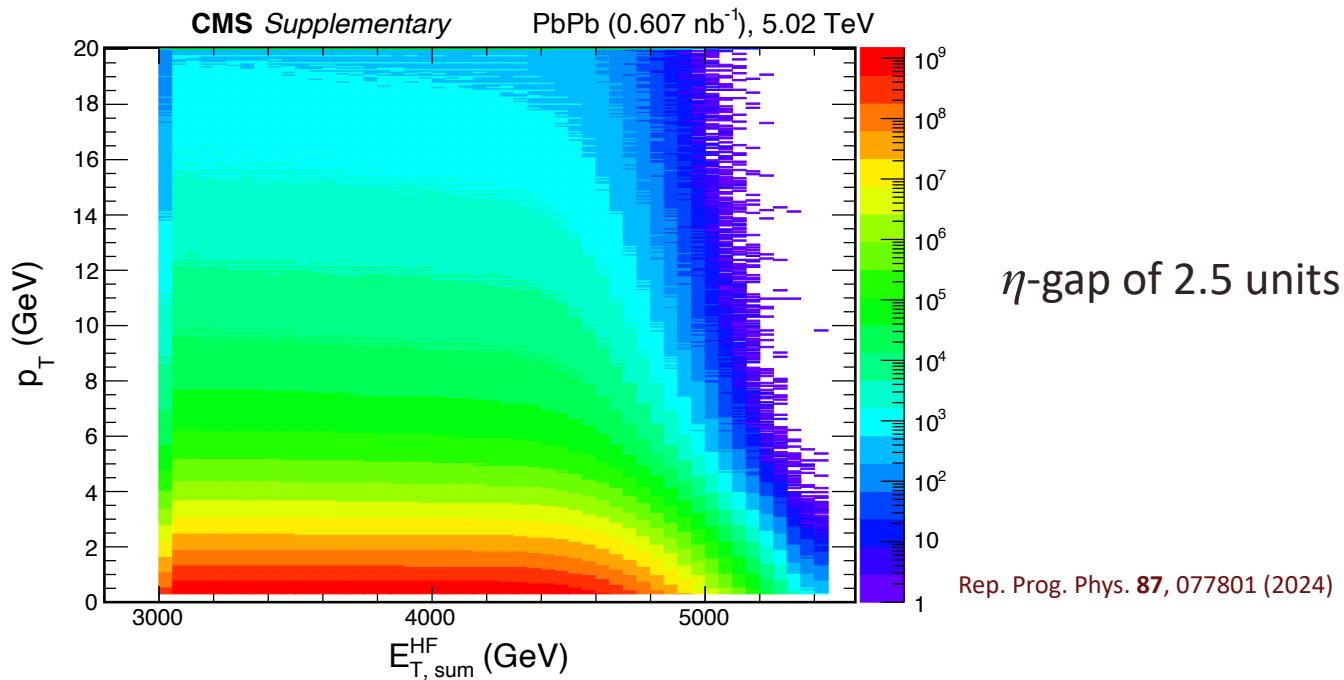
$\langle p_T \rangle^0$  (used to estimate  $T_{\text{eff}}$ )



# Analysis method - $\langle p_T \rangle$ and $N_{ch}$

To avoid other sources of correlations between  $\langle p_T \rangle$  and  $N_{ch}$

- Measured in bins of transverse energy sum in HF  $E_{T,sum}^{HF}$  (bin width 50 GeV)



# Analysis method - $p_T$ extrapolation to zero

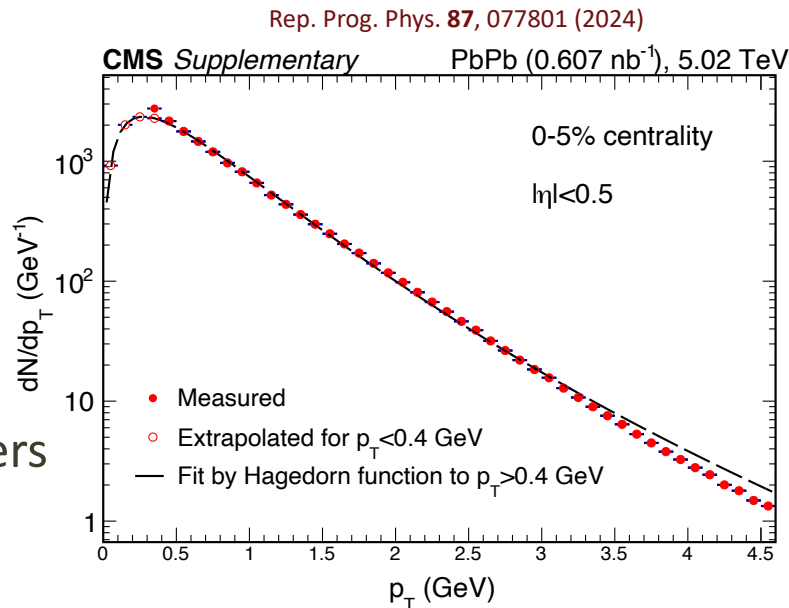
$\langle p_T \rangle$  and  $N_{\text{ch}}$ : corrected for tracking efficiency

Extrapolation to  $p_T = 0$  by fitting the spectrum in  $p_T > 0.4 \text{ GeV}$

□ Hagedorn function

$$\frac{dN_{\text{ch}}}{dp_T} = p_T \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \langle \beta_T \rangle^2}} \frac{\left( \sqrt{p_T^2 + m^2} - \langle \beta_T \rangle p_T \right)}{nT} \right)^{-n}$$

□  $m$ : pion mass &  $\langle \beta_T \rangle$ ,  $n$ ,  $T$  free parameters



After corrections, for each bin of  $E_{T,\text{sum}}^{\text{HF}} \rightarrow \langle p_T \rangle^{\text{norm}}$  vs  $N_{\text{ch}}^{\text{norm}}$

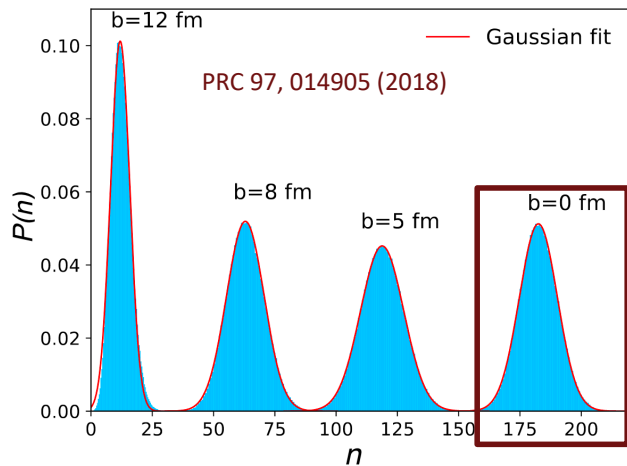
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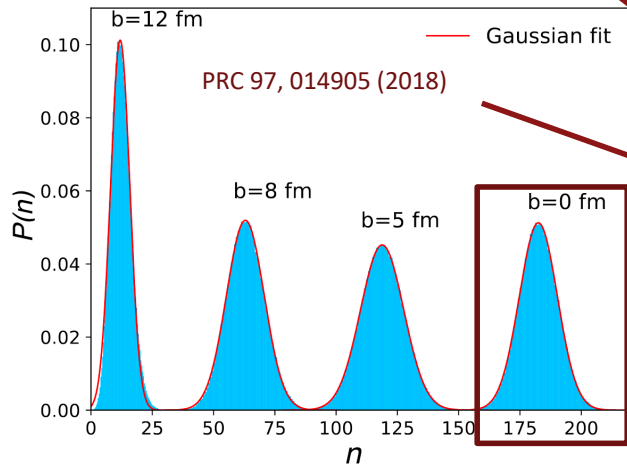
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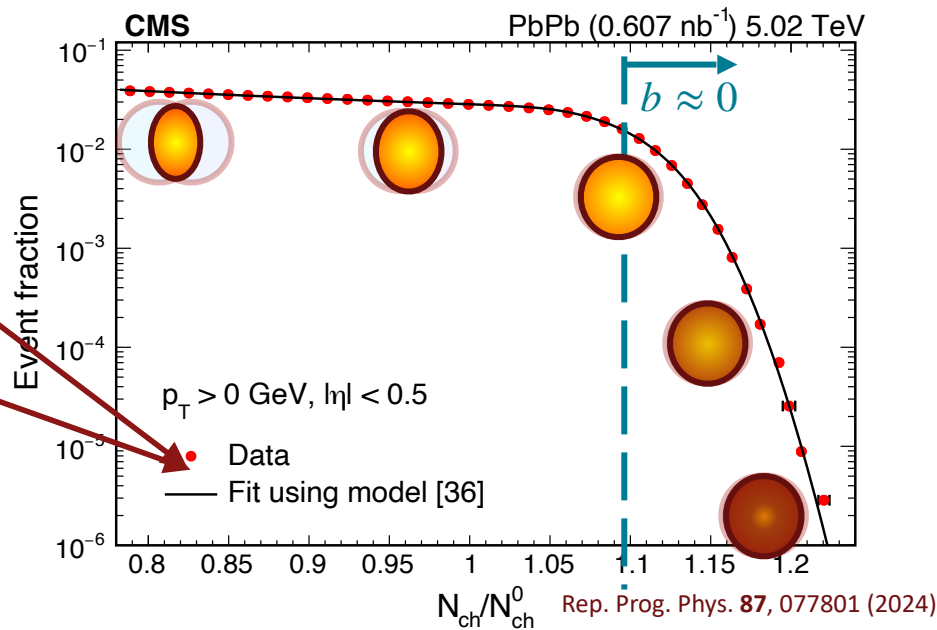
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$Prob(N_{ch}^{norm})$  free parameters values at  $b \approx 0$

Fit  $N_{ch}^{norm}$  distribution



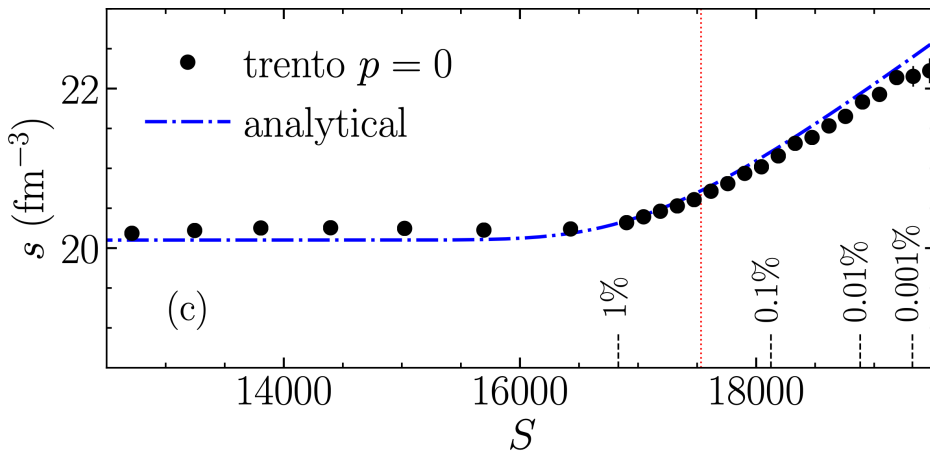
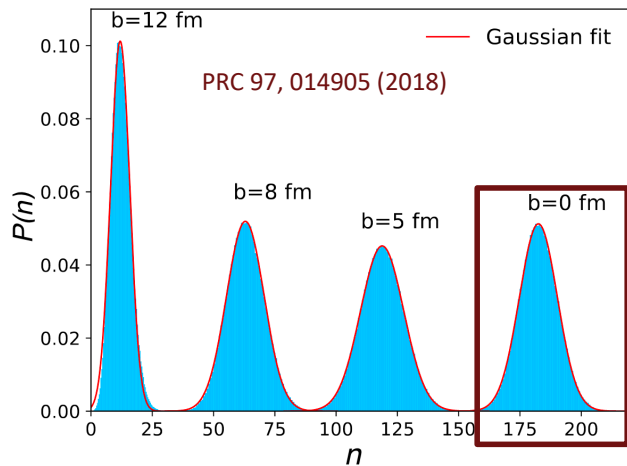
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# Extracting the speed of sound: CMS data

Fit  $\langle p_T \rangle^{\text{norm}}$  vs  $N_{\text{ch}}^{\text{norm}}$  using

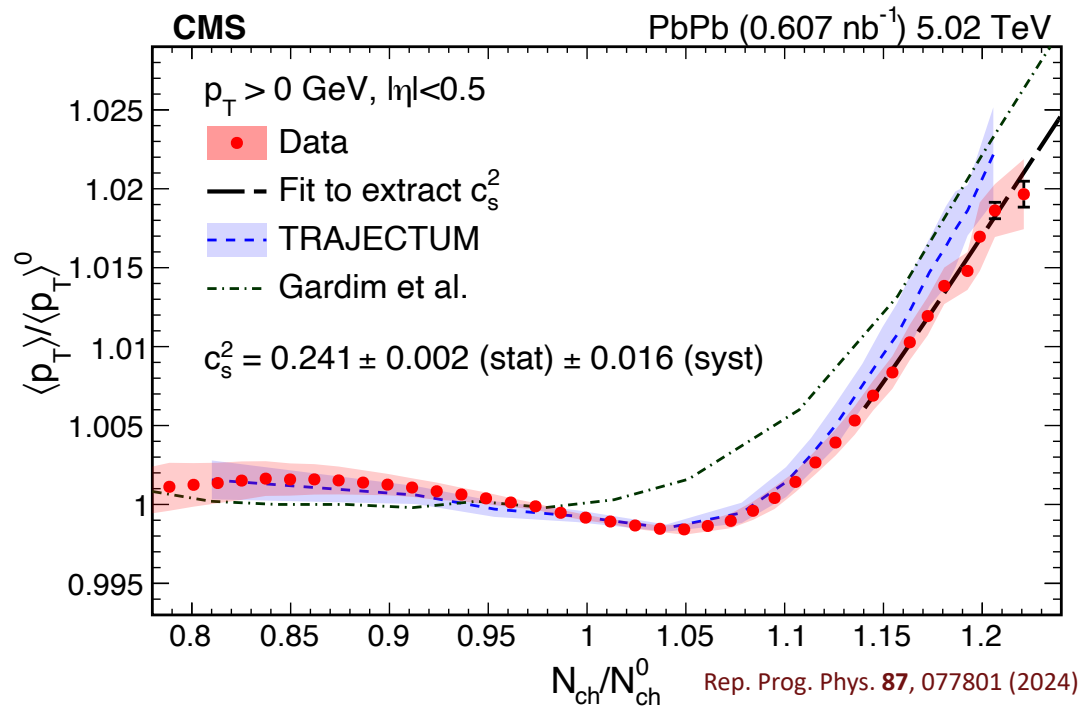
$$\langle p_T \rangle^{\text{norm}} = \left( \frac{N_{\text{ch}}^{\text{norm}}}{\text{Prob}(N_{\text{ch}}^{\text{norm}})} \right)^{c_s^2}$$

Do not model the dip

Fit starts from better  $\chi^2$  at

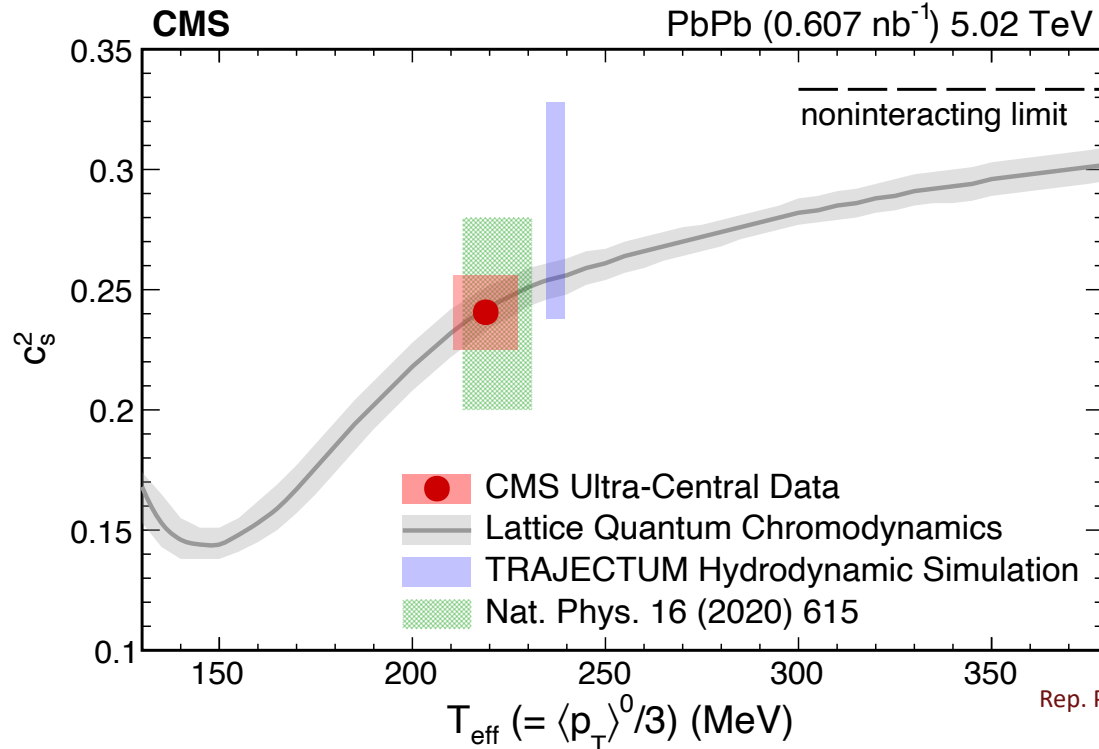
$$N_{\text{ch}}^{\text{norm}} > 1.12$$

$$T_{\text{eff}} \approx \langle p_T \rangle^0 / 3 = 219 \pm 8(\text{syst}) \text{ MeV}$$





# Comparison with Lattice QCD & Hydrodynamics Models



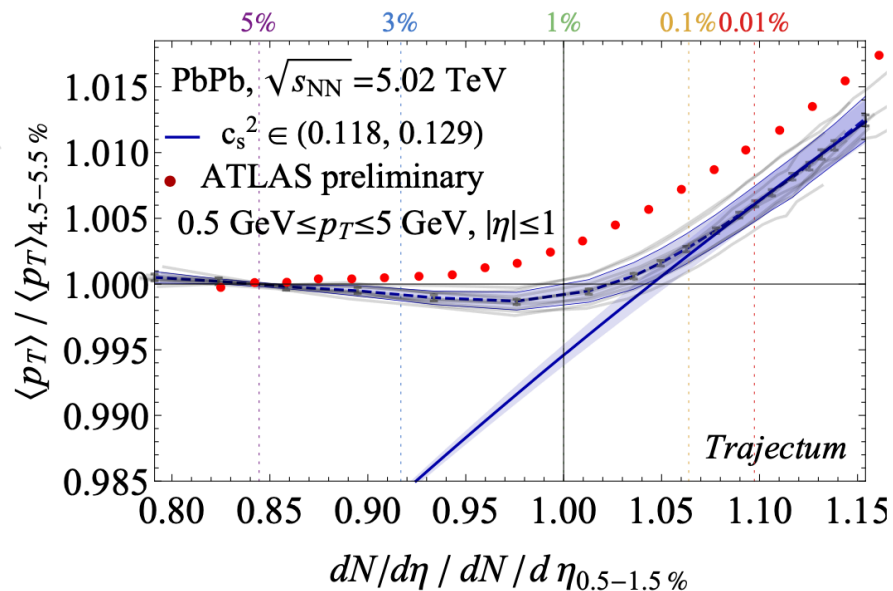
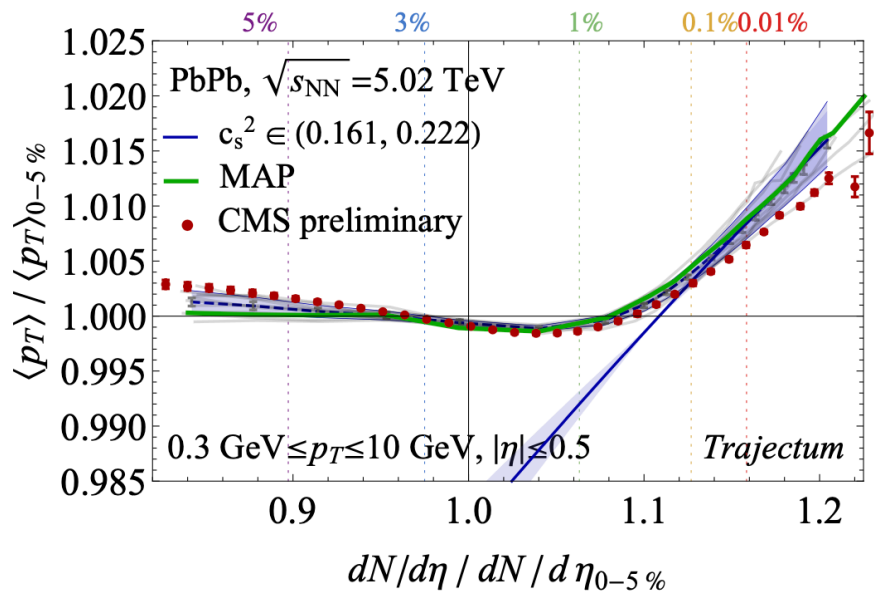
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Lattice QCD ( $\mu_B \approx 0$  and 2+1 flavors)

# No extrapolation to $p_T = 0$

CMS (left) & ATLAS (right) comparison with Trajectum model

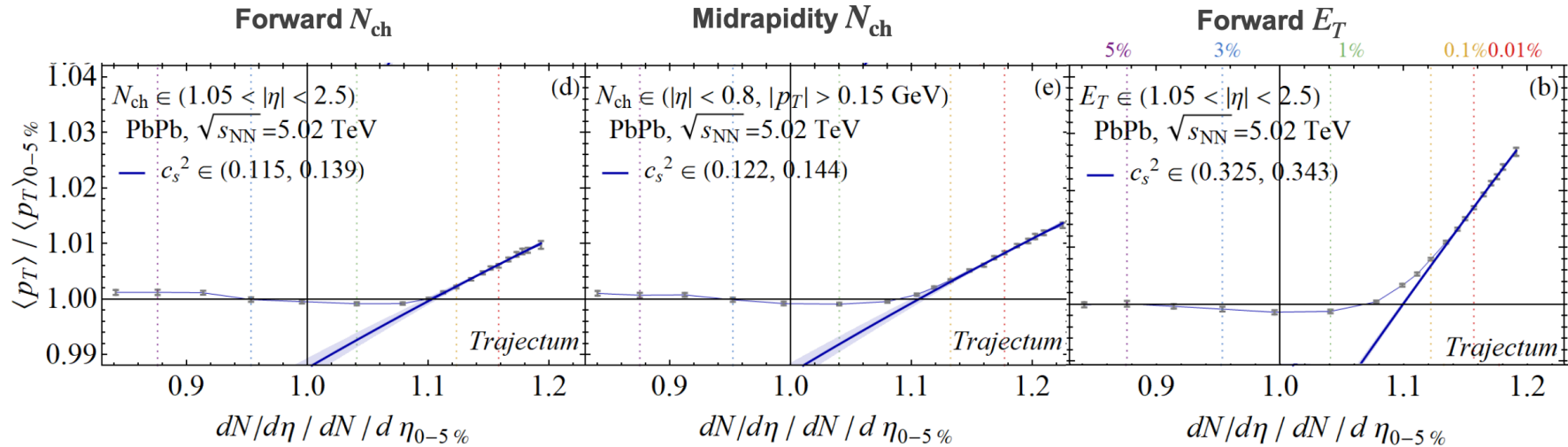
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The slope has a clear dependence on the  $p_T$  cut

# Trajectum: possible bias from centrality estimator?

Tested with different  $\eta$  ranges for centrality estimator



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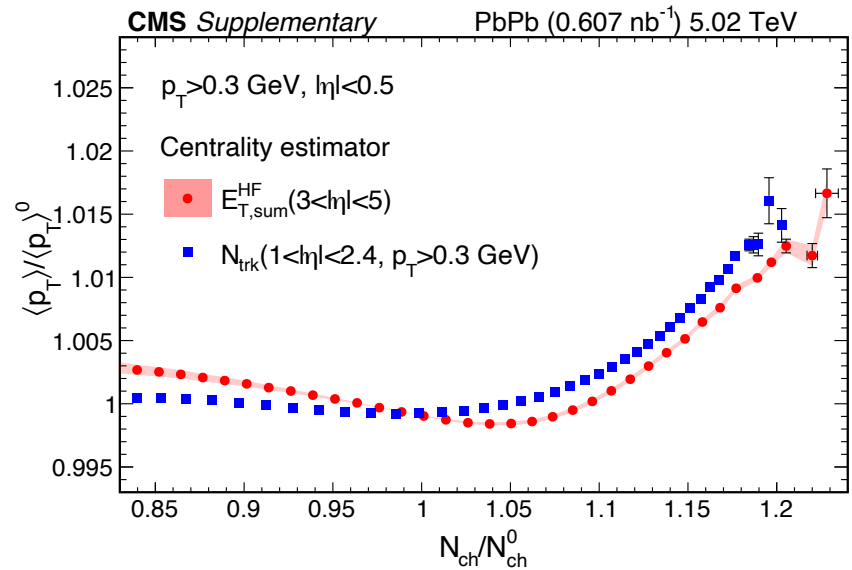
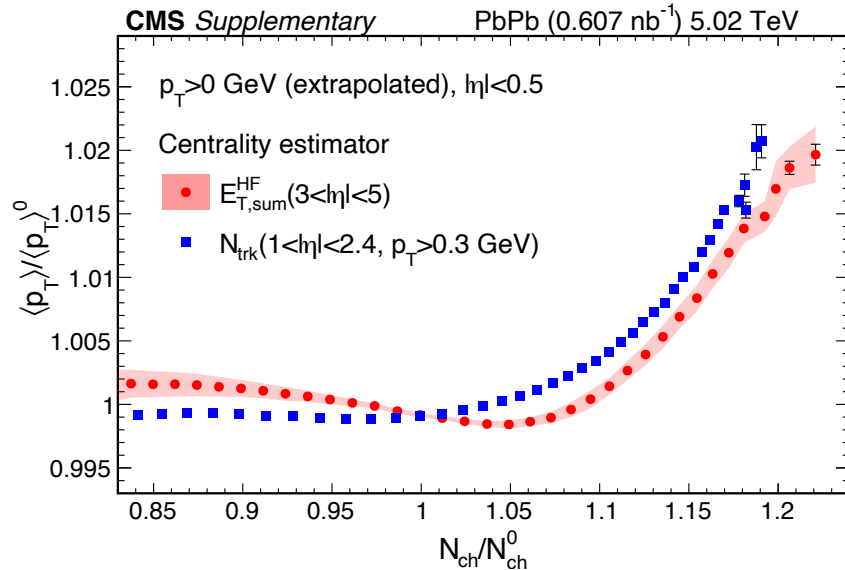
$E_T$  based seems to bias toward higher values of  $\langle p_T \rangle$  with small (or no)  $\eta$ -gap

# CMS: centrality estimator bias

Initial studies from CMS: no considerable bias in the slope

Probably due to large  $\eta$  gap used in  $E_T$  based measurements???

Will perform more studies about the  $\eta$ -gap



# ALICE: centrality estimator bias

Tested several  $\eta$  ranges for centrality estimator and  $\langle p_T \rangle$  &  $N_{\text{ch}}$

Adapted from ALICE Collab., SQM2024

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Ref. arXiv:2403.06052: for centrality estimation region overlapping with the region used for  $\langle p_T \rangle$  &  $N_{\text{ch}} \Rightarrow$  apply correction for self-correlation

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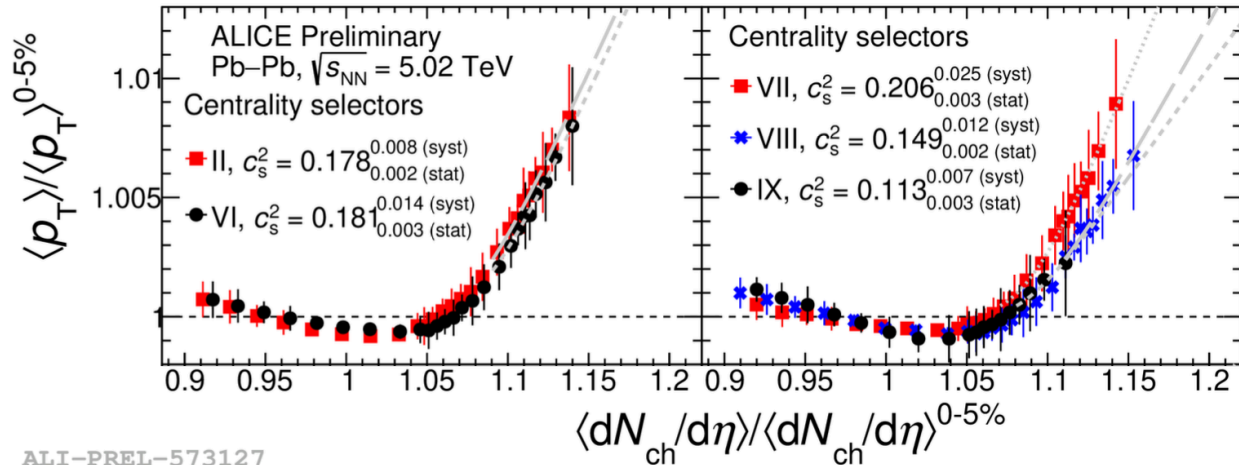
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Non  $E_T$ -based

Lower values compared  
to CMS

Midrapidity:  $N_{ch}$  (II) and  $N_{tracklet}$  (VI)

$N_{tracklet}$  (VII, VIII) and forward  $N_{ch}$  (IX)



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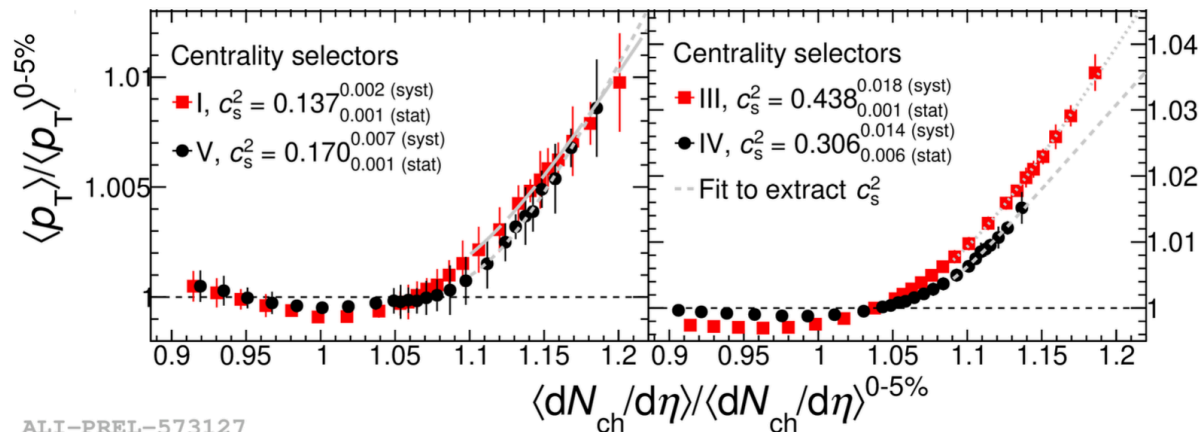
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$E_T$ -based

Higher values compared  
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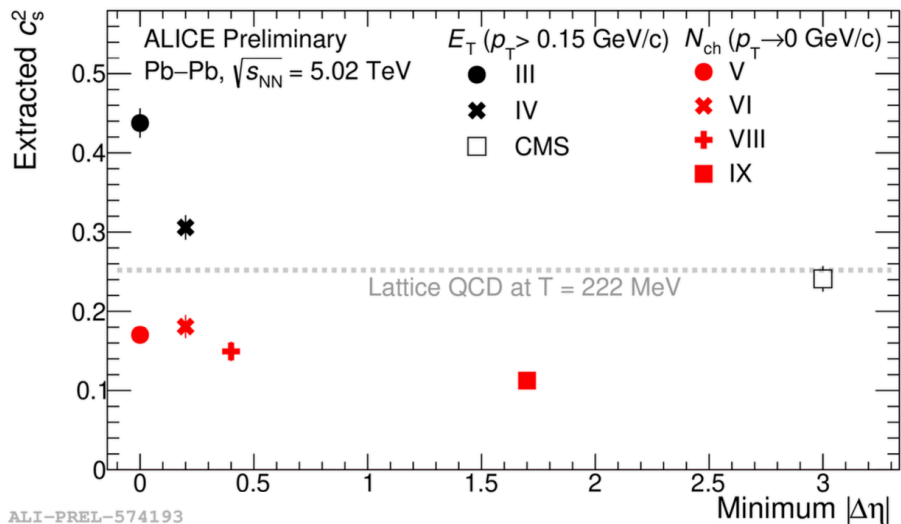
Midrapidity:  $N_{ch}$  (I) and  $N_{tracklet}$  (V)       $E_T$ : No subevent (V) and subevent (IV)



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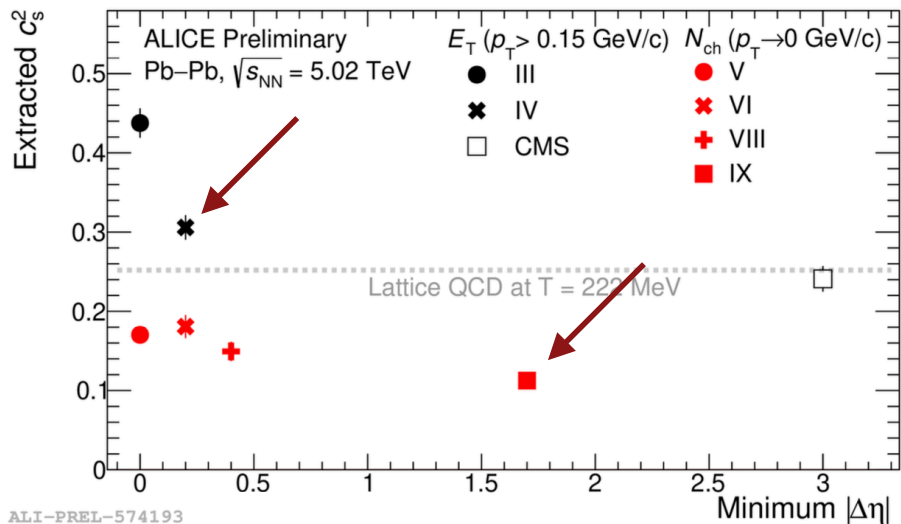
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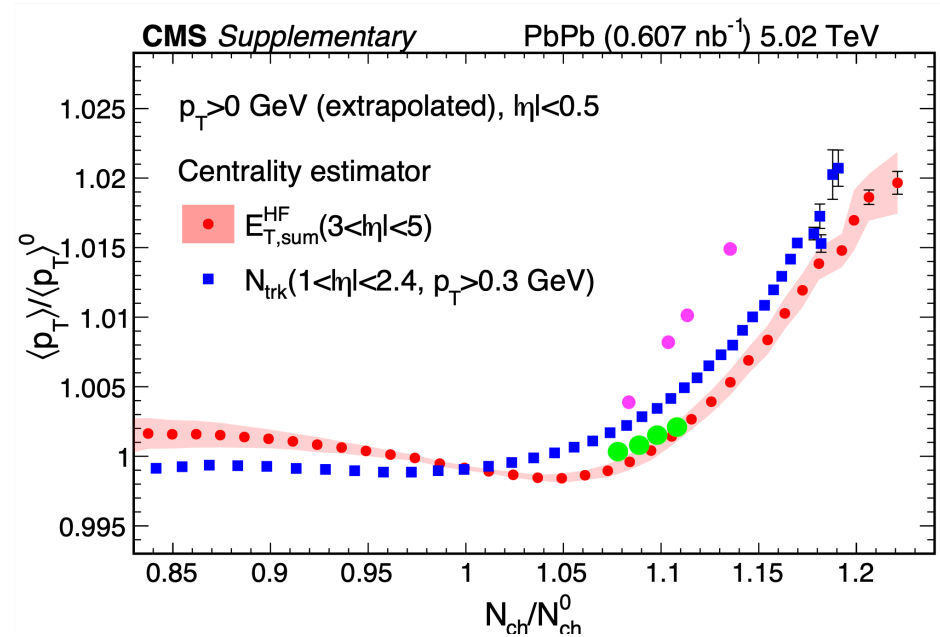
# Rough comparison using few points

No uncertainties included

(IV)  $E_T$  in TPC ( $0.5 < |\eta| < 0.8$ )

(IX)  $N_{ch}$  in V0 ( $-3.7 < \eta < -1.7, +2.8 < \eta < 5.1$ )

For this last one added the 4 points used in the fit



The one with larger eta-gap looks not very far from CMS measurement. It seems (to be checked with the authors) that the  $c_s^2$  was extracted fitting these last four points.

NB.: added few points from ALICE Collaboration by hand.

Any discrepancy from original ALICE values is a fault from the author of this presentation.

# Future Studies & Open Questions

Continue investigation on the effects from centrality estimator

- ❑ NB.: For overlapping regions between centrality estimator and  $\langle p_T \rangle$  &  $N_{\text{ch}}$ 
  - Needed a correction due to self-correlations  
arXiv:2403.06052

Effect of initial density fluctuations profile

- ❑ How initial fluctuations affect the hypotheses:  $\langle p_T \rangle / T_{\text{eff}}$  and  $V_{\text{eff}}$  independent of multiplicity ???
- ❑ Relation between  $\langle p_T \rangle$  &  $T_{\text{eff}}$  seems not to be affected Nucl. Phys. A 1005, 121999 (2021)
- ❑ But effective volume seems not very constant (  $\uparrow N_{\text{ch}} \Rightarrow \downarrow V_{\text{eff}}$  ) Phys. Lett. B **853**, 138636 (2024)
- ❑ Compare increase of  $\langle p_T \rangle$ : as a function of  $N_{\text{ch}}$  in the same collision energy Vs using different collision energies  
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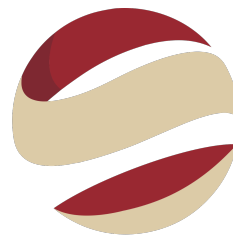
This is a new hydrodynamics probe

- ❑ Study other colliding systems: XeXe, OO, high-multiplicity pPb, etc...  
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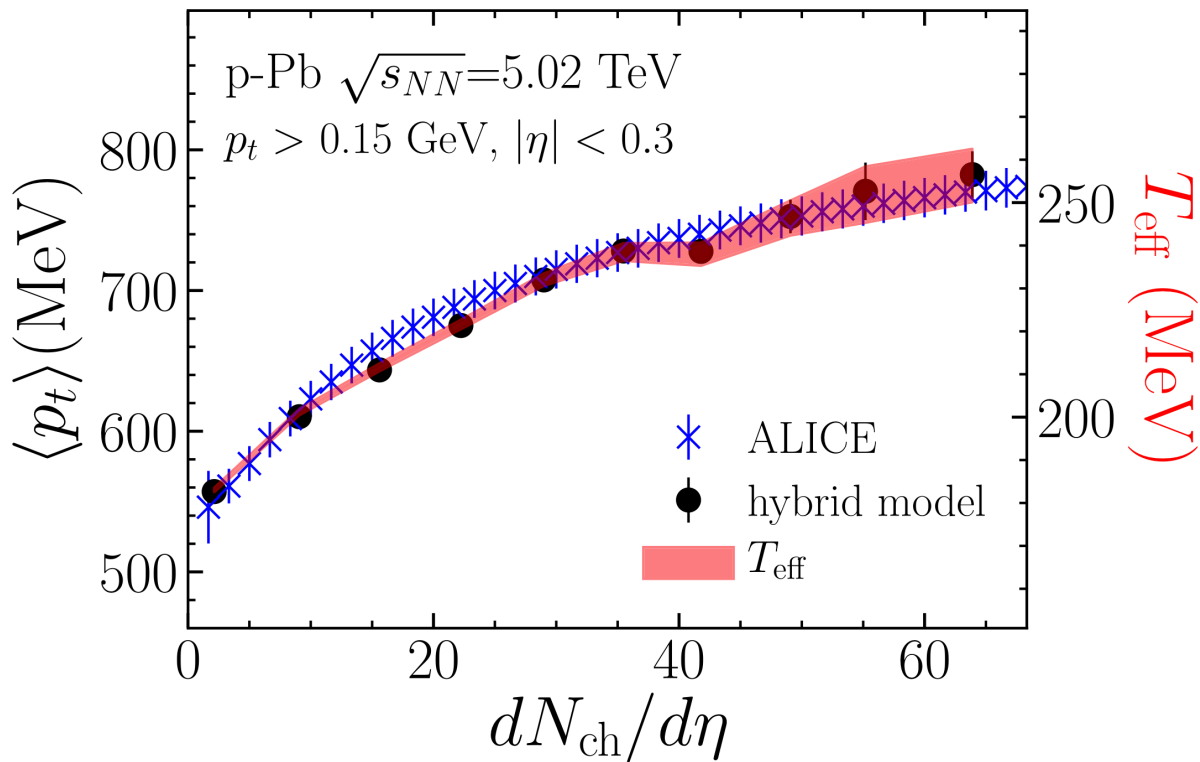
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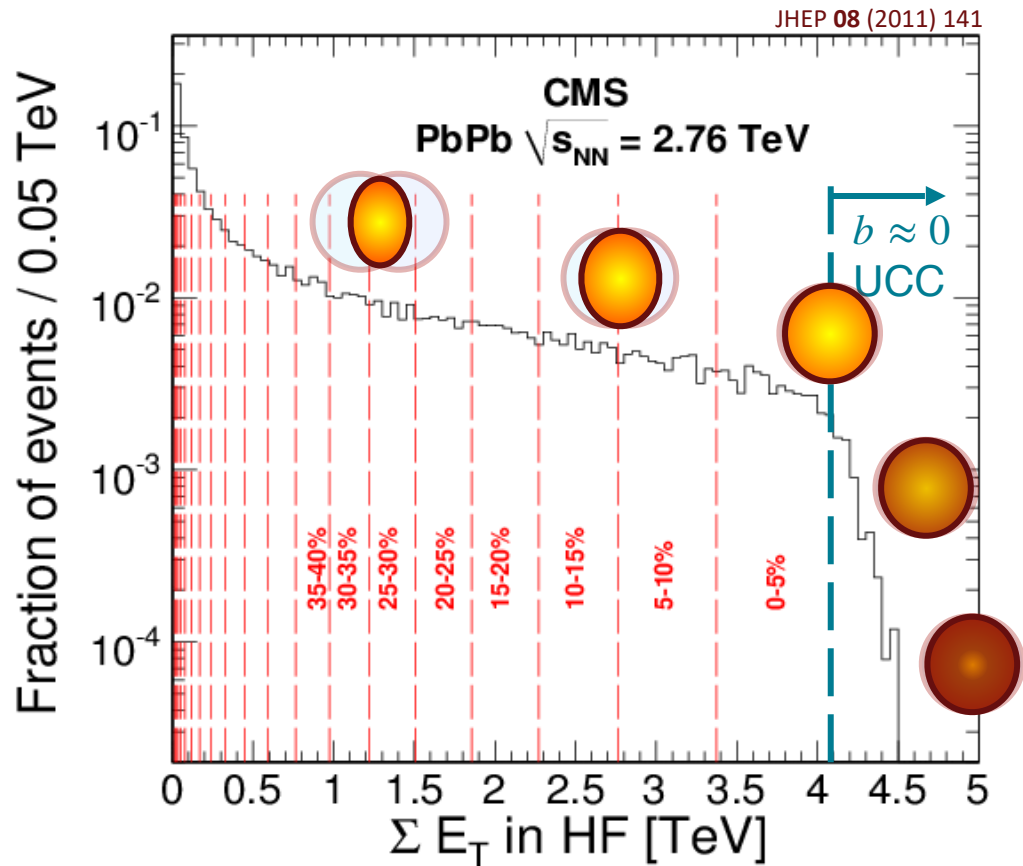
What happens at very high multiplicities?



# UCC PbPb collisions

## Collision centrality

- Experimentally: sum of transversal energy ( $E_T$ ) in HF
- Related to impact parameter, system volume/geometry
- For  $b \approx 0$  ( $\sim 0-1\%$  centrality)
  - Volume almost constant
  - Energy density can fluctuate



# Samples and track selections

## Minimum bias PbPb collisions at 5.02 TeV

- About 4.27 billion events,  $L_{\text{int}} = 0.607 \text{ nb}^{-1}$

## Monte Carlo (MC) simulations: HYDJET generator

- Efficiency corrections, cross-checks, closure tests, etc...

## Track selection: $p_{\text{T}} > 0.3 \text{ GeV}$ , $|\eta| < 0.5$

- Better tracking performance



# Systematic uncertainties and cross-checks

## Systematics

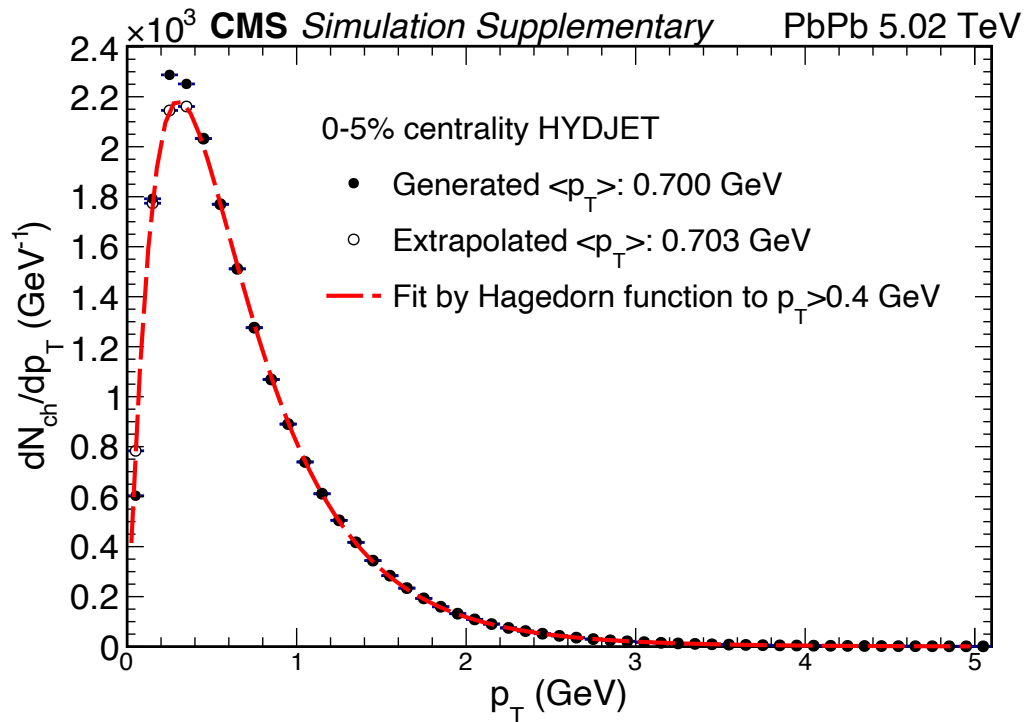
- ❑ Tracking efficiency corrections
- ❑ Extrapolation to  $p_T \approx 0$
- ❑ Choice of fit range (only for  $c_s^2$ )

## Main cross-checks

- ❑ HF energy resolution
  - Data HF energy smearing
  - Vary bin width
    - 50GeV → 25GeV and 100GeV
- ❑ Efficiency correction
  - Dependence on particle species
- ❑ Extrapolation to  $p_T \approx 0$ 
  - Use of different fit function
  - Closure using simulations

# Extrapolation to $p_T \approx 0$ - Monte Carlo

HYDJET generator



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$$P(n) = \int_0^1 P(n|c_b) dc_b.$$

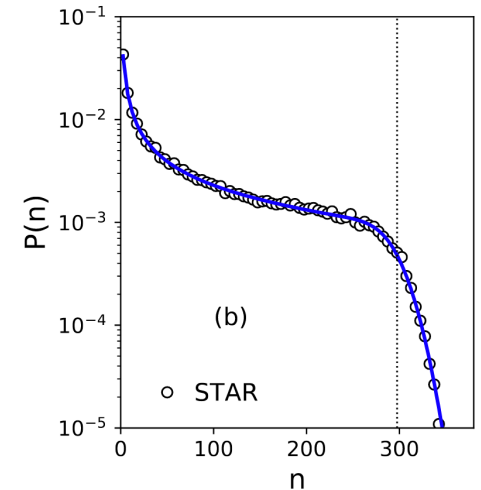
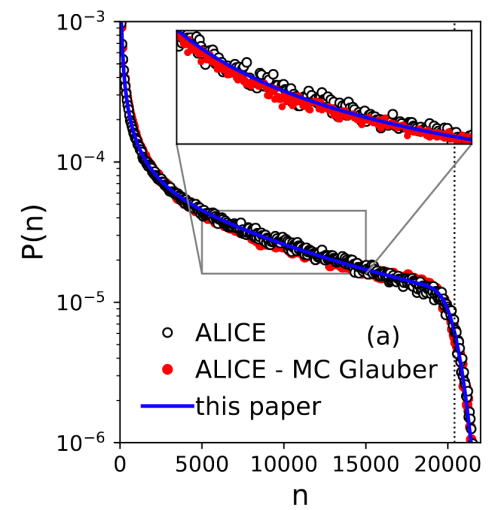
$$P(n|c_b) = \frac{\eta(c_b)}{\sigma(c_b)\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(n - \bar{n}(c_b))^2}{2\sigma(c_b)^2}\right), \quad (3)$$

$$\eta(c_b) = 2 \left[1 + \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{\bar{n}(c_b)}{\sigma(c_b)\sqrt{2}}\right)\right]^{-1}$$

$$\bar{n}(c_b) = n_{\text{knee}} \exp(-a_1 c_b - a_2 c_b^2 - a_3 c_b^3)$$

$$\sigma(c_b) = \sigma(0) \sqrt{\bar{n}(c_b)/\bar{n}(0)}$$

<sup>1</sup> The results in this paper use the variable  $c_b$ , but one can easily express them in terms of  $b$  by using the change of variables  $c_b = \pi b^2 / \sigma_{\text{inel}}$ . The value of  $\sigma_{\text{inel}}$  needs to be taken from either data or some collision model.



# $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs $T$ (Hydrodynamic simulation)

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