

Recent ATLAS results on flow measurements in lead-lead and proton-lead collisions

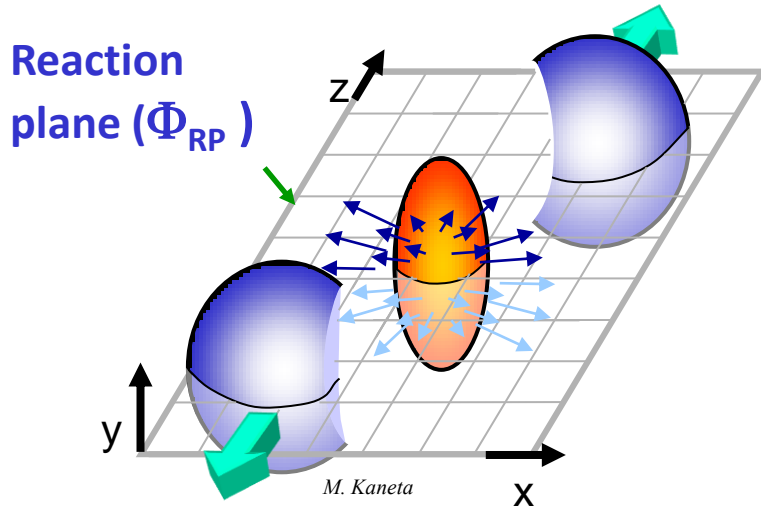
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Azimuthal Anisotropy of Produced Particles

Strongly coupled QGP

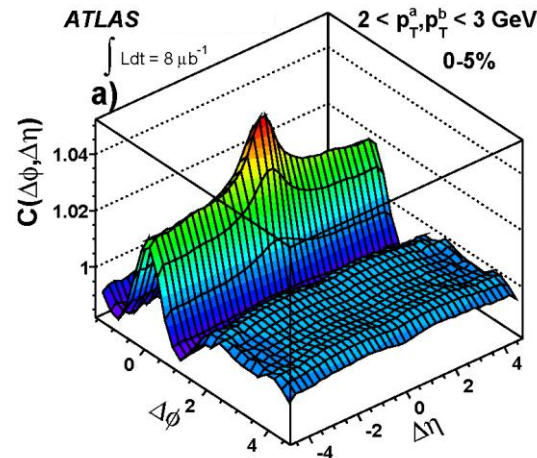
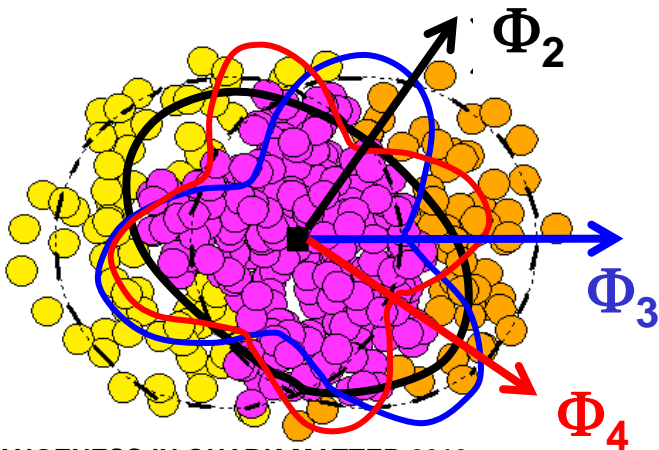


- Pressure gradients lead to azimuthal anisotropy

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} \propto \mathbf{1} + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \cos[n(\phi - \Phi_n)]$$

- Initial shape of the interaction region (v_2 - elliptic flow)

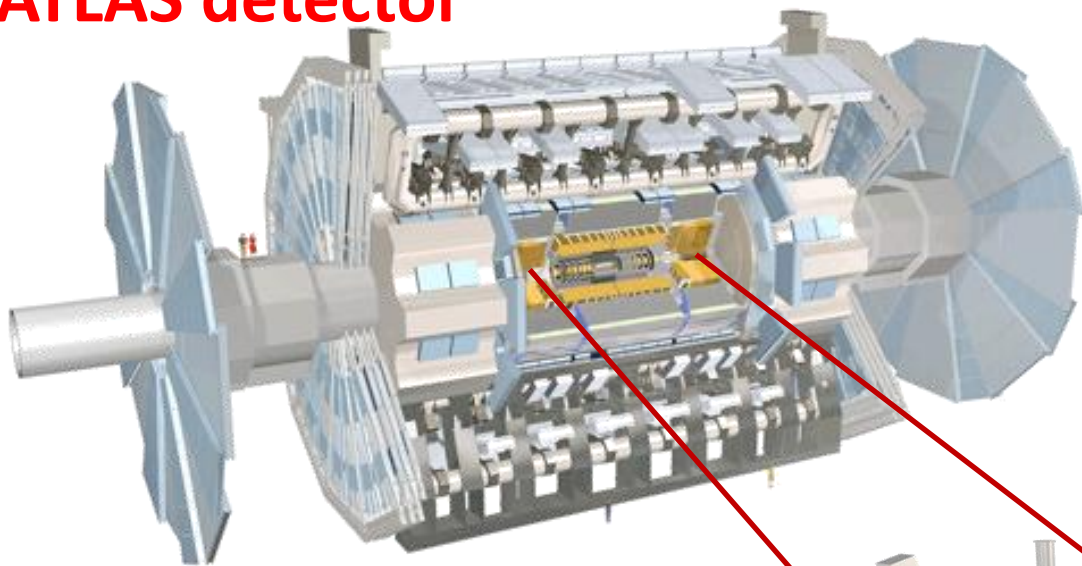
- Initial spatial fluctuations of interacting nucleons (higher orders, v_n)



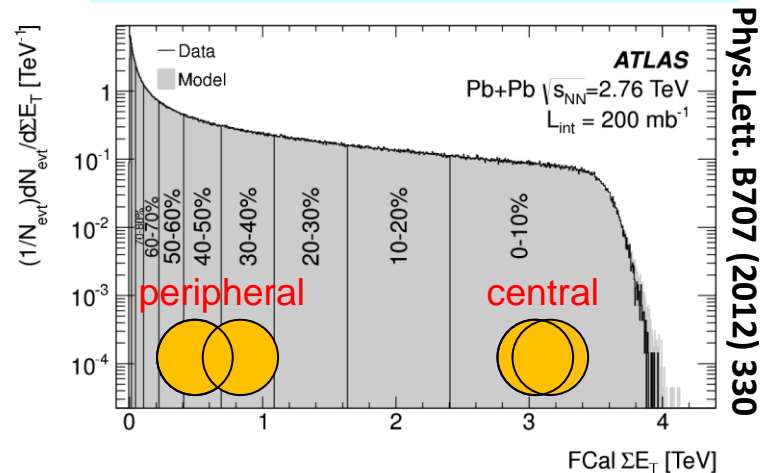
Ridge in Pb+Pb collisions

Event Centrality Measurement in Pb+Pb and p+Pb

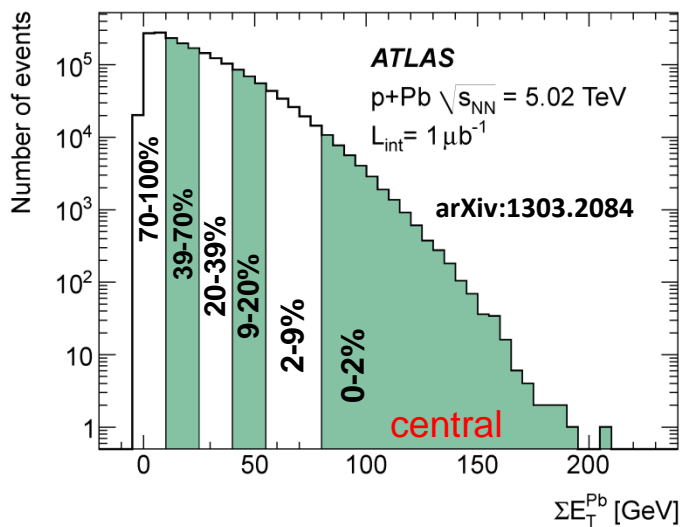
ATLAS detector



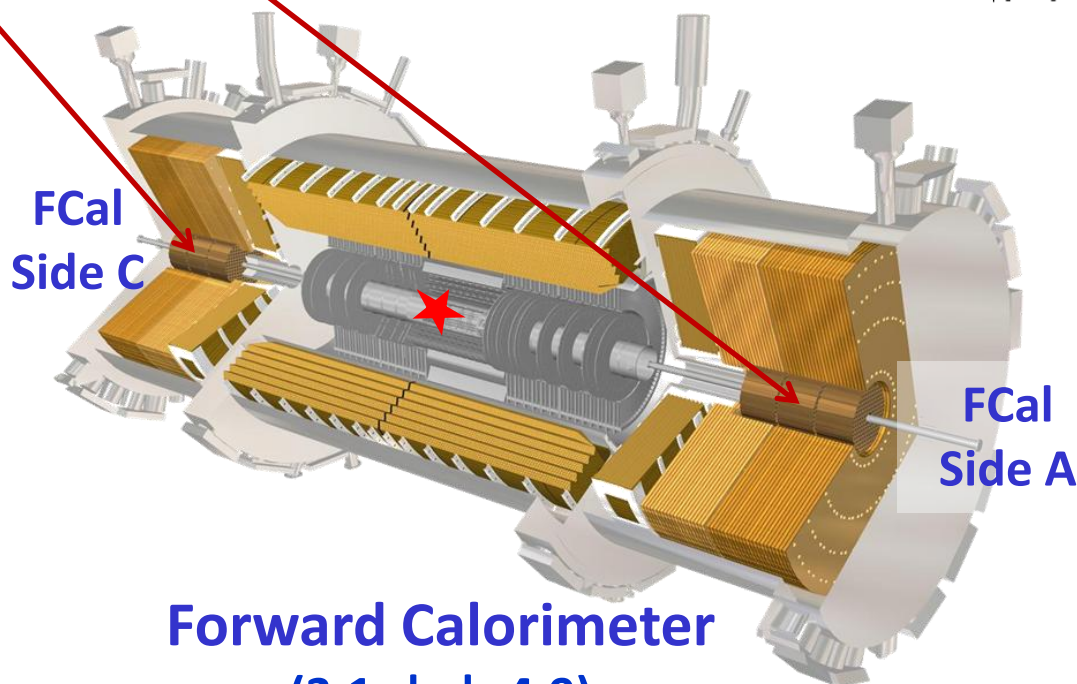
Pb+Pb 2010, ~50 M MB events



p+Pb 2012, ~1.9 M MB events



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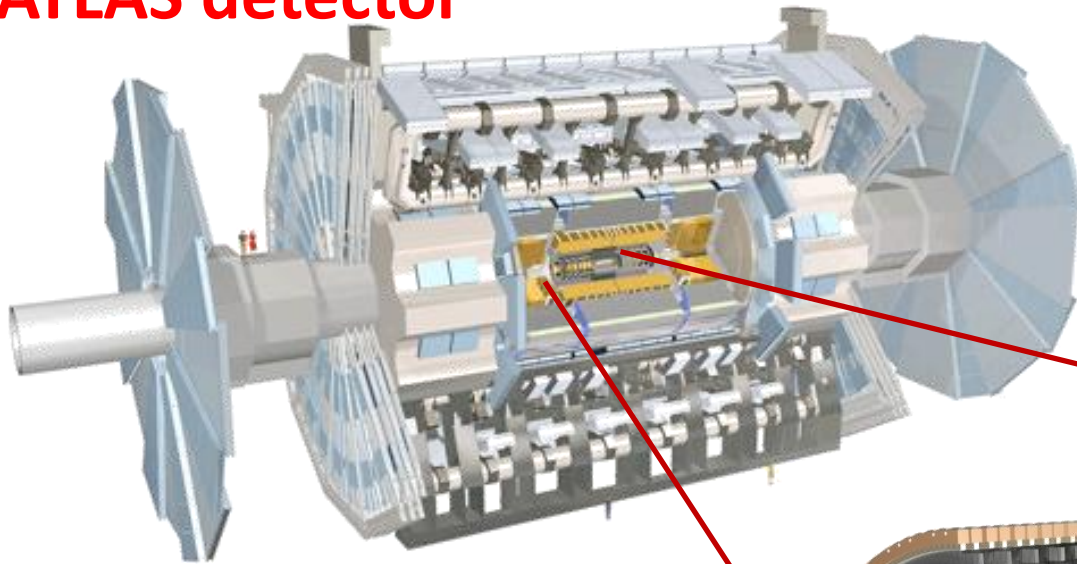


ΣE_T^{Pb} measured at "Pb-side" of FCal (A)

($3.1 < |\eta| < 4.9$)

v_n Harmonics Measurement

ATLAS detector

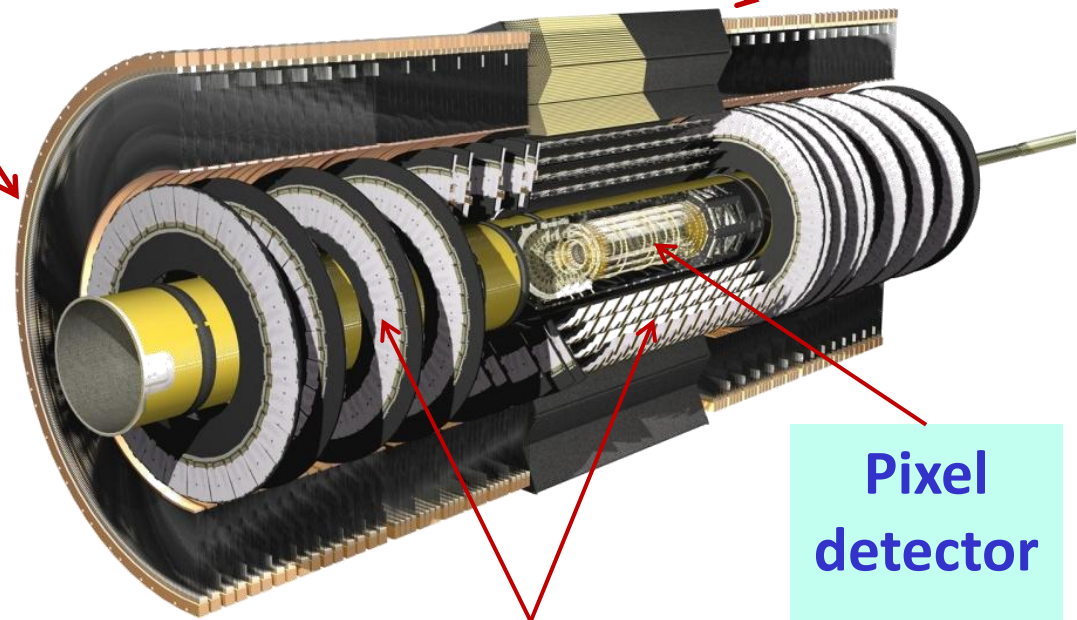


Fourier harmonics are measured with charged particles reconstructed in the inner detector

Inner detector, ID

ID tracks (Pixel+SCT)

- $p_T > 0.5$ GeV
- $-2.5 < \eta < 2.5$
- full ϕ acceptance



Pixel detector

SCT detector

Measurement of Event-by-Event v_n in Pb+Pb

Azimuthal distributions of charged particles in **single events**

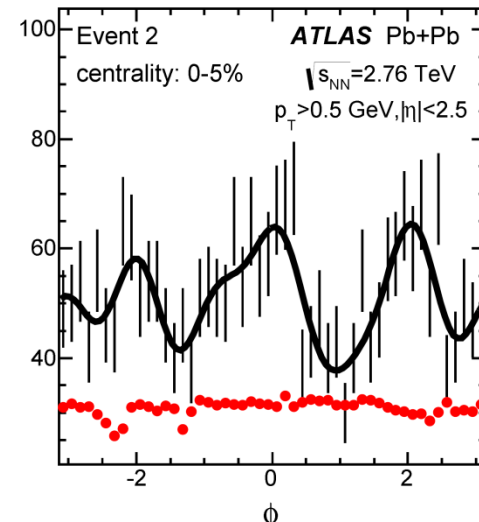
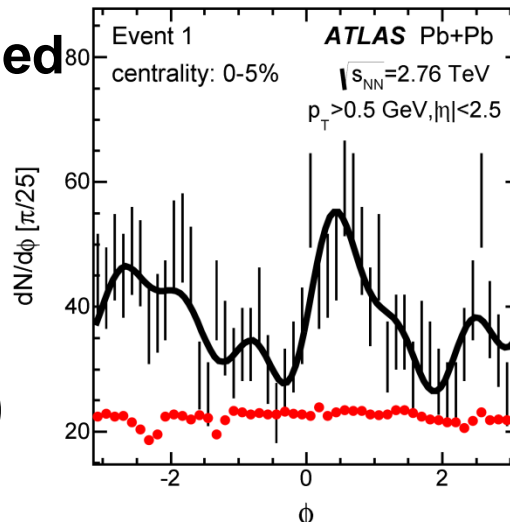
$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} \propto \mathbf{1} + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{v}_n^{\text{obs}} \cos n(\phi - \Phi_n)$$

$$= \mathbf{1} + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\mathbf{v}_{n,x}^{\text{obs}} \cos n\phi + \mathbf{v}_{n,y}^{\text{obs}} \sin n\phi)$$

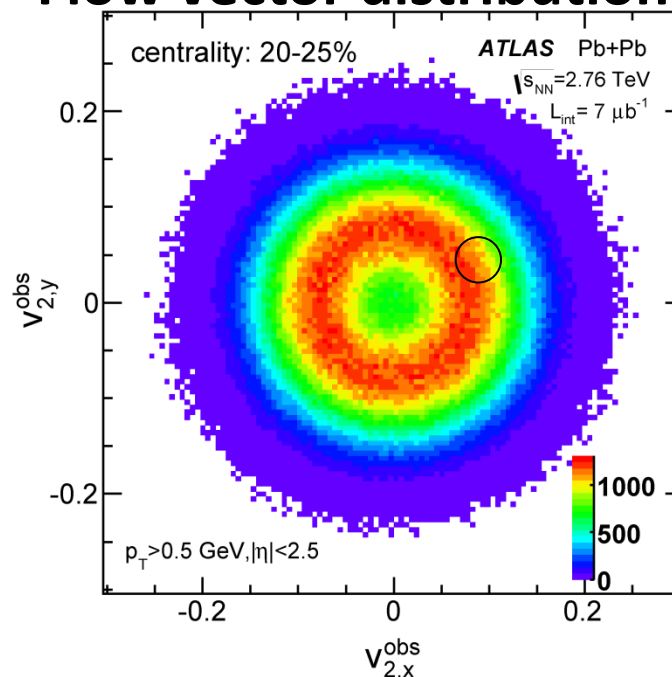
$$\mathbf{v}_n^{\text{obs}} = \sqrt{(\mathbf{v}_{n,x}^{\text{obs}})^2 + (\mathbf{v}_{n,y}^{\text{obs}})^2} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_n$$

Due to finite multiplicity, flow vector is smeared around true flow vector
 → **corrected by unfolding**

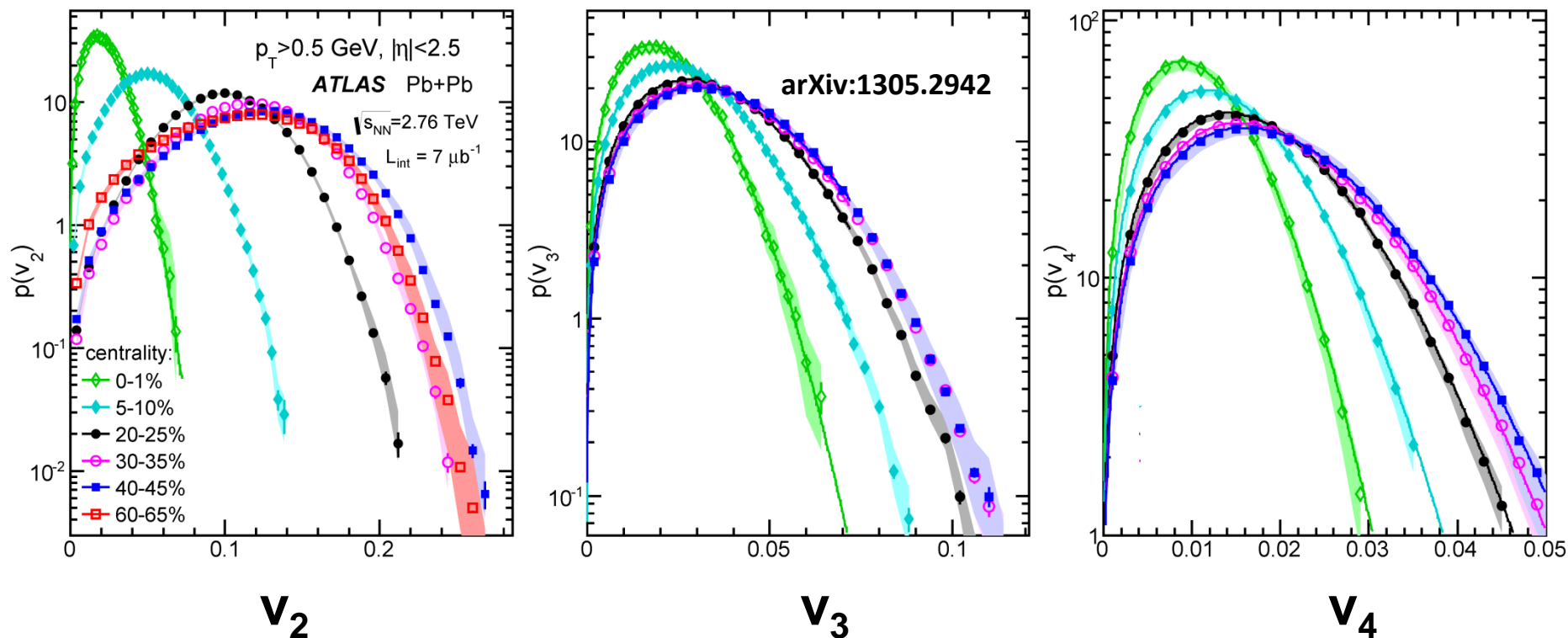
ATLAS, arXiv:1305.2942



Flow vector distribution:



Unfolded Distributions of v_2 , v_3 and v_4 in Pb+Pb



Direct measure of flow harmonics fluctuations

- v_n distributions normalized to unity for $n = 2, 3$ and 4 .

Lines represent radial projections of 2D Gaussians, rescaled to $\langle v_n \rangle$

$$P(v_n) = \frac{v_n}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{v_n^2}{2\sigma^2}},$$

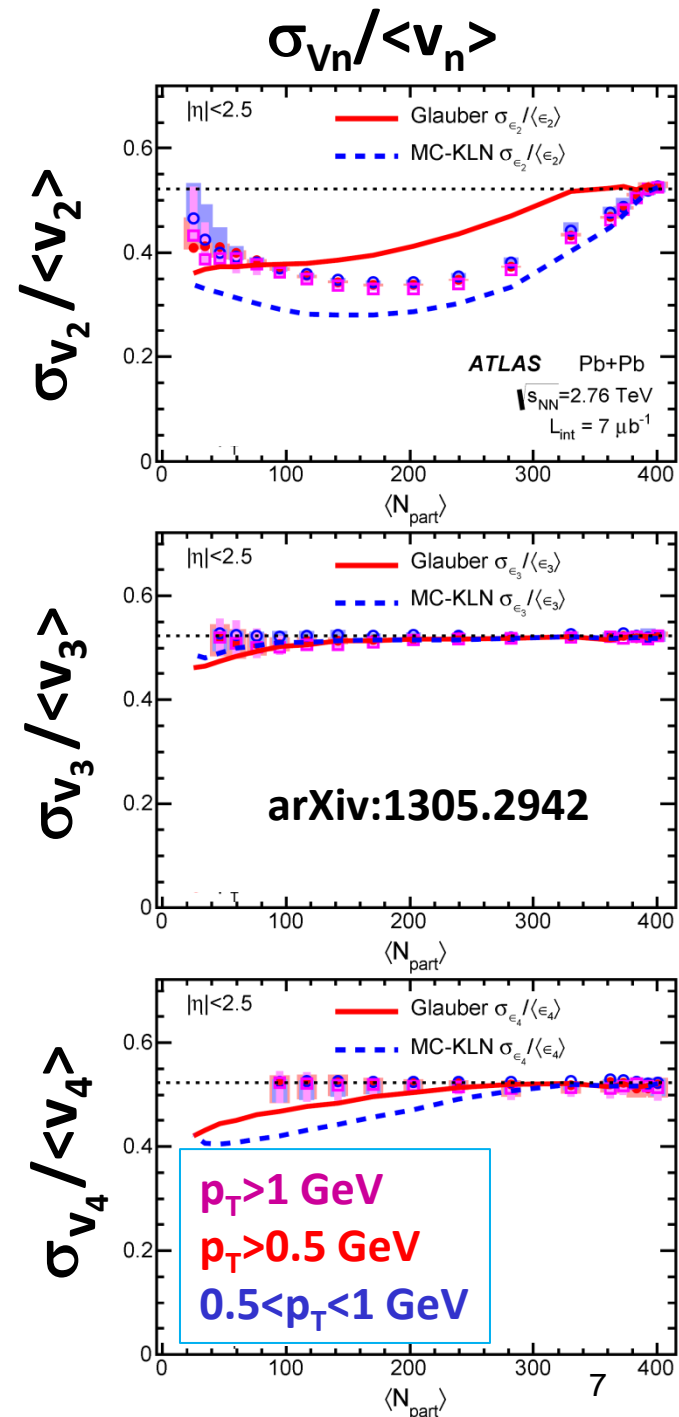
- for v_2 only in 0-2% of most central collisions
- for v_3 and v_4 over all centralities

Event-by-Event Fluctuations of v_2 , v_3 and v_4 in Pb+Pb

- $\sigma_{v_2} / \langle v_2 \rangle$ shows strong centrality dependence
- $\sigma_{v_3} / \langle v_3 \rangle$ and $\sigma_{v_4} / \langle v_4 \rangle$ are consistent with Gaussian fluctuations
- Same relative fluctuations for $0.5 < p_T < 1 \text{ GeV}$, $p_T > 0.5 \text{ GeV}$ and $p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}$

Dotted lines indicate the Gaussian limit:

$$P(v_n) = \frac{v_n}{\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{v_n^2}{2\sigma^2}}, \quad \frac{\sigma_{v_n}}{\langle v_n \rangle} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} - 1} \approx 0.523$$



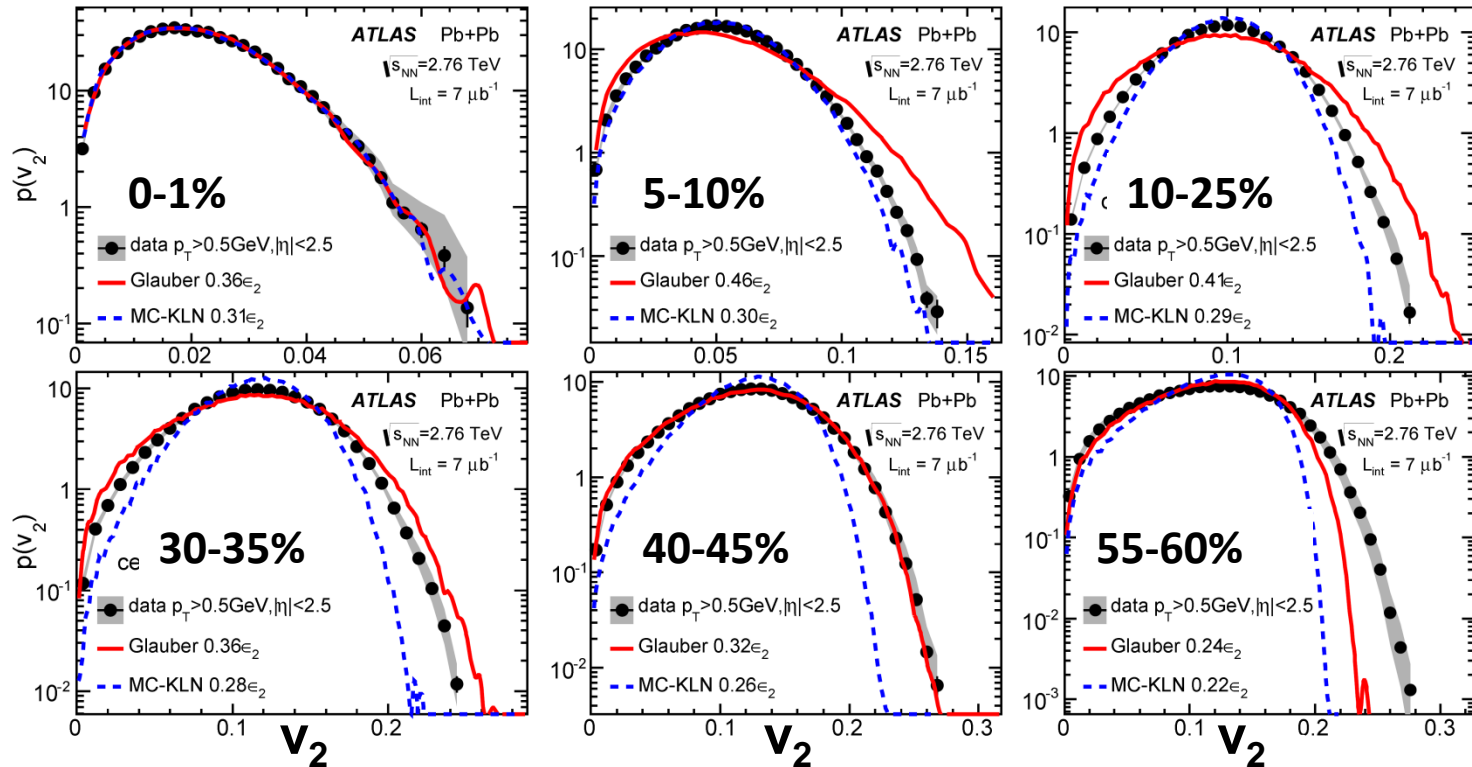
Comparison to MC Glauber and KLN models

Eccentricity distributions from MC Glauber and KLN models

arXiv:nucl-ex/0701025, Phys. Rev. C 74, 044905 (2006)

$$\varepsilon_n = \frac{\sqrt{\langle r^n \cos n\phi \rangle^2 + \langle r^n \sin n\phi \rangle^2}}{\langle r^n \rangle}$$

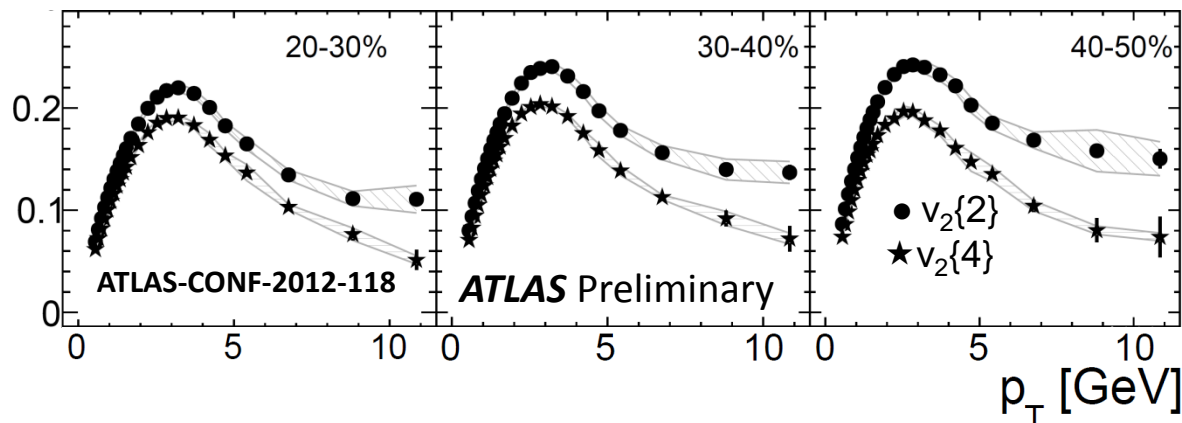
$\langle \varepsilon_2 \rangle$ rescaled to $\langle v_2 \rangle$



- Both work in 0-1%
- **MC KLN** better in 5-10%
- **MC Glauber** better in 30-60%

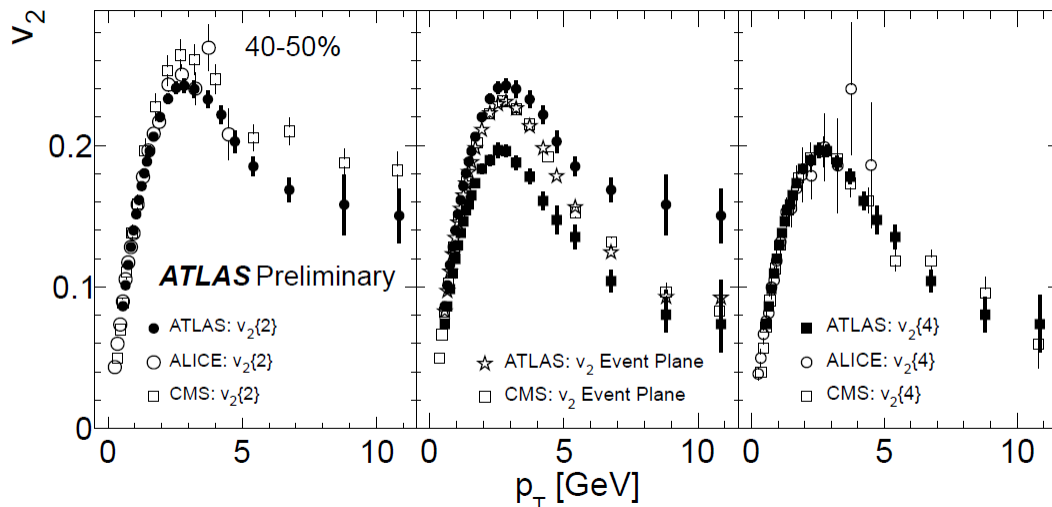
Cumulant Harmonics: $v_2\{2\}$ and $v_2\{4\}$ in Pb+Pb

Elliptic flow harmonics of charged particles were obtained with the cumulant generating function method



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and J.Y. Ollitrault Phys.Rev.C
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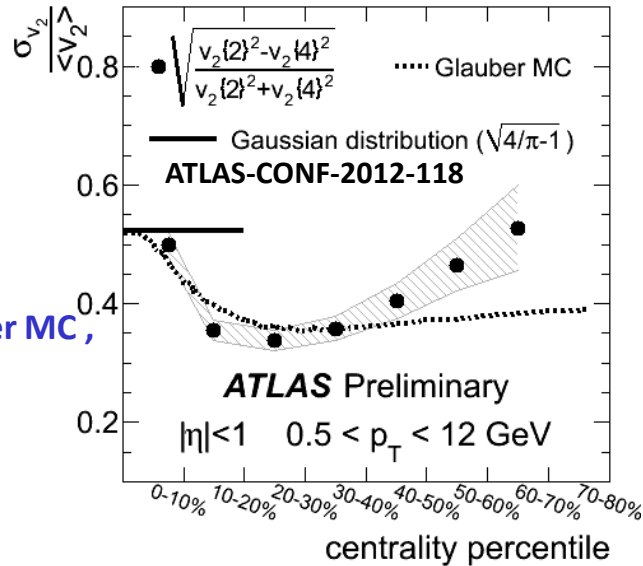
Strong reduction of v_2 is observed by using four-particle cumulants



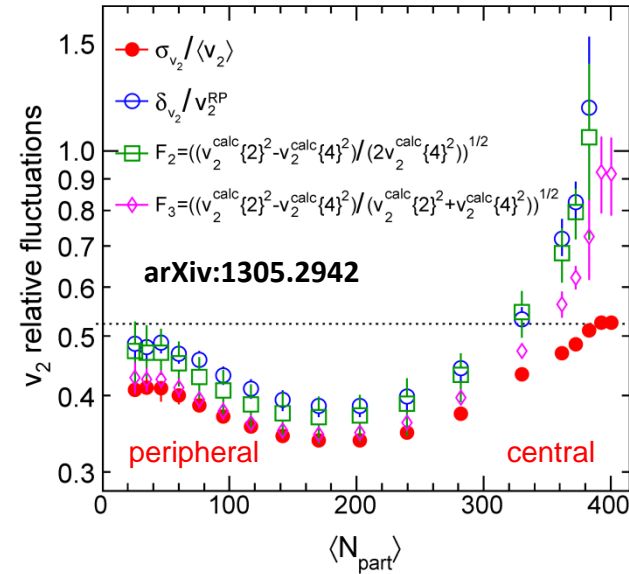
- Excellent agreement of $v_2\{4\}$ between ATLAS, ALICE and CMS

Event-by-Event Fluctuations from $v_2\{2\}$ and $v_2\{4\}$

Cumulants method:



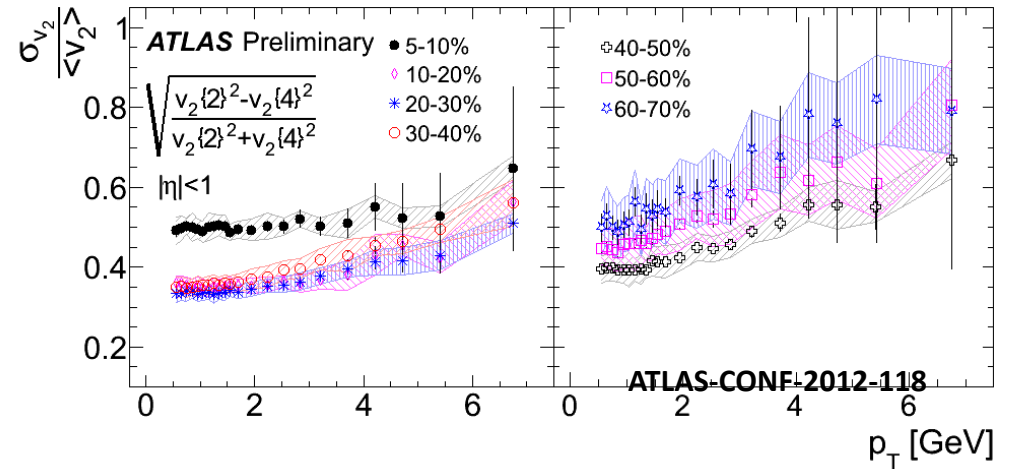
Event-by-event method:



Glissando Glauber MC, arXiv:0710.5731

• $\sigma_{v_2} / \langle v_2 \rangle$ from cumulants is consistent with MC Glauber and EbyE results (in 5-50%)

- Relative flow fluctuations are independent of p_T for 5-10% cent. bin
- For less central collisions $\sigma_{v_2} / \langle v_2 \rangle$ increases with p_T



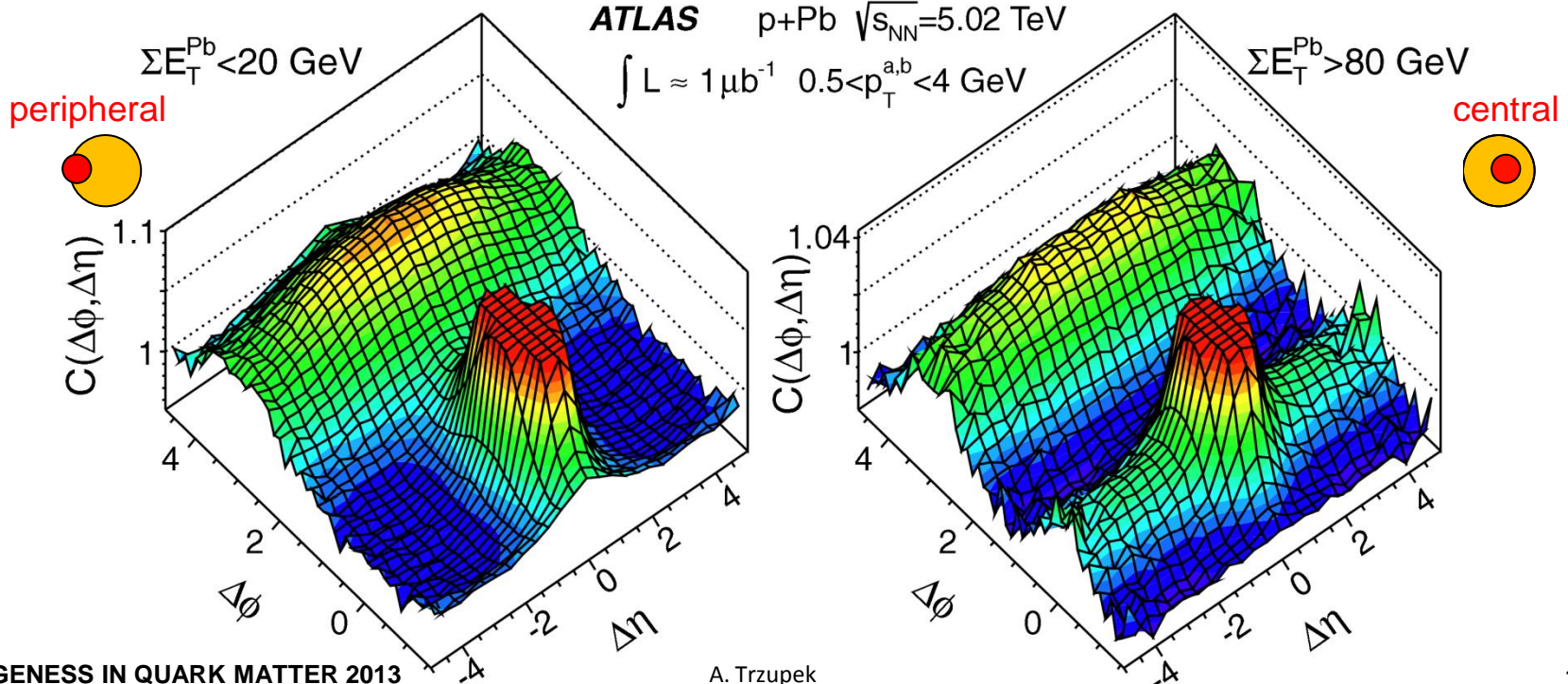
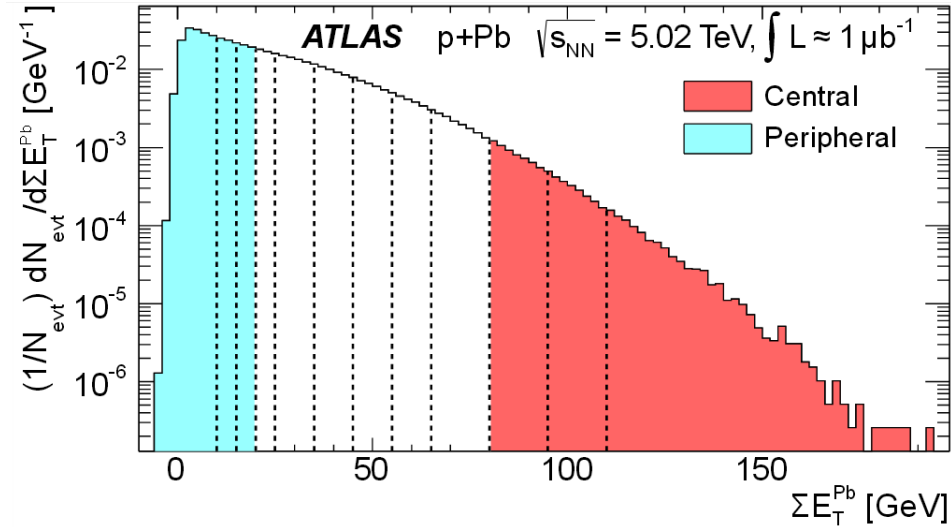
Collective flow in p+Pb?

ATLAS, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 182302 (2013)

The near-side ridge is clearly visible in the central events while it is absent in peripheral one

$$C(\Delta\phi) = \frac{S(\Delta\phi)}{B(\Delta\phi)}$$

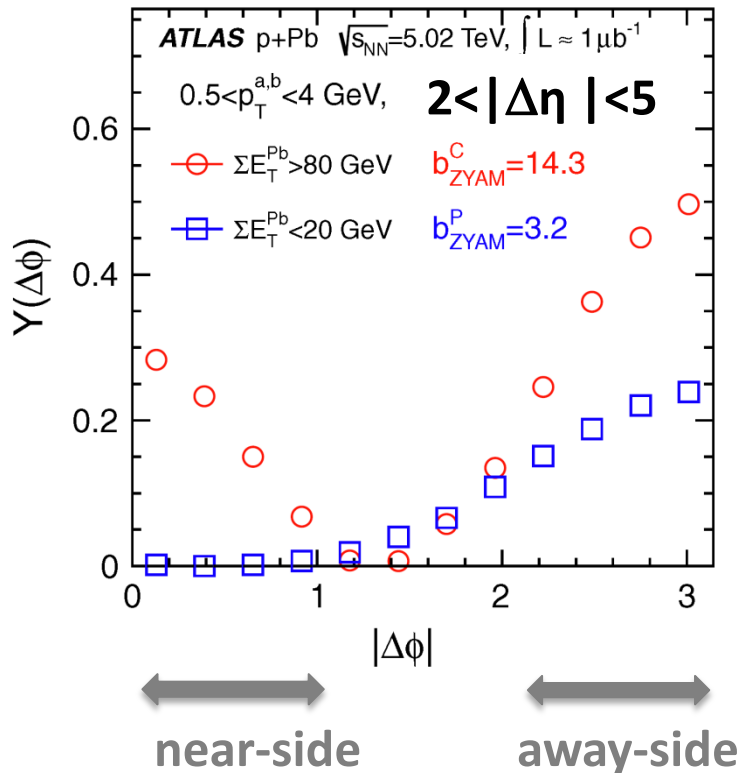
\leftarrow Same event pairs
 \leftarrow Mixed events pairs



Two-particle Correlations in p+Pb Collisions

”Per trigger yield” corrected for combinatorial background (b_{ZYAM}):

$$Y(\Delta\varphi) = \frac{\int B(\Delta\varphi)d\Delta\varphi}{\pi N_a} C(\Delta\varphi) - b_{ZYAM}$$



For central events $Y(\Delta\varphi)^{\text{cent}}$ has two near-side and (larger) away-side peaks

For peripheral events $Y(\Delta\varphi)^{\text{periph}}$ has only one, away-side peak, characteristic for recoil contribution

Recoil subtraction:

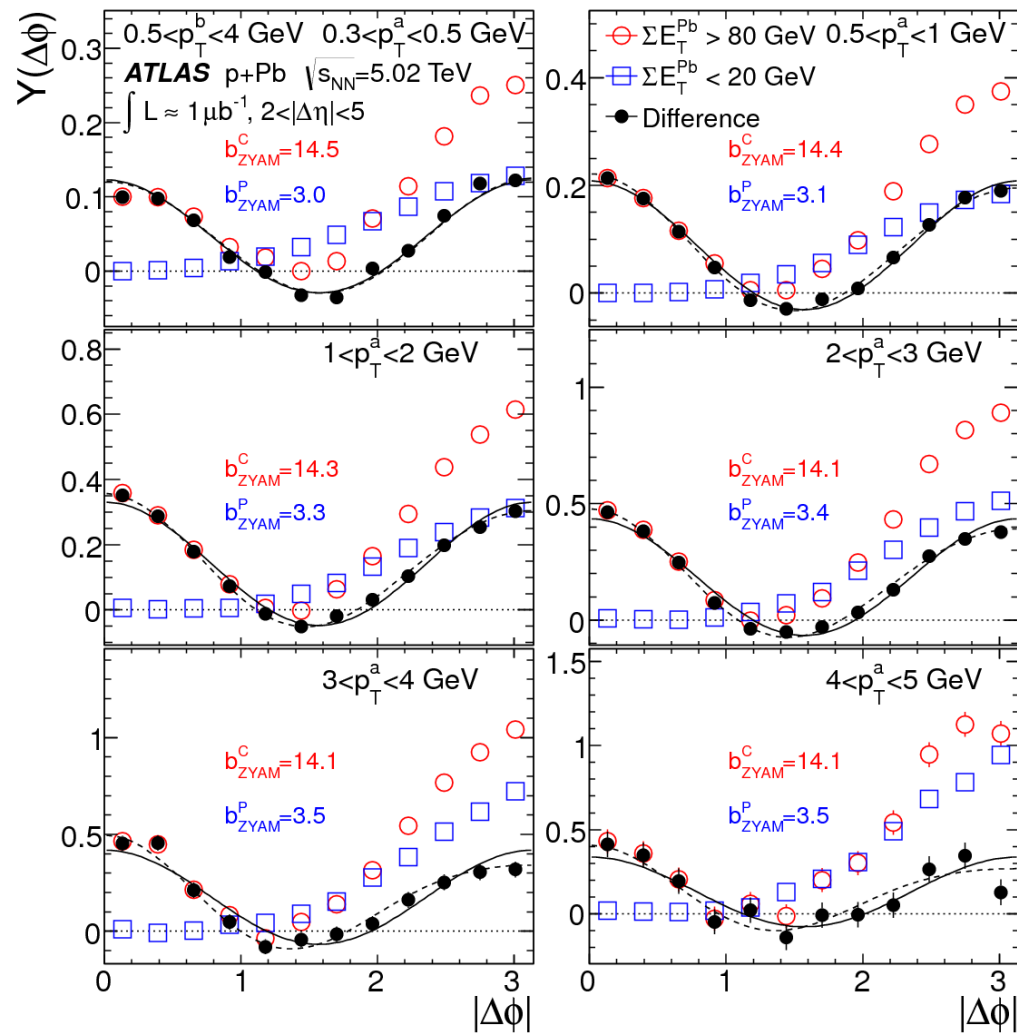
$$\Delta Y(\Delta\varphi) = Y(\Delta\varphi)^{\text{cent}} - Y(\Delta\varphi)^{\text{periph}}$$

central : $\Sigma E_T^{Pb} > 80$ GeV (0-2%)

peripheral: $\Sigma E_T^{Pb} < 20$ GeV (48-100%)

After Recoil Subtraction: $\Delta Y(\Delta\phi)$

$\Delta Y(\Delta\phi) = Y(\Delta\phi)^{\text{cent}} - Y(\Delta\phi)^{\text{periph}}$ for different ranges in p_T^a



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$\Delta Y(\Delta\phi)$ is symmetric around $|\Delta\phi| = \pi/2$

Long-range component
 = Recoil + $\Delta\phi$ -symmetric

$\Delta\phi$ -symmetric component fits:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{---} a_0 + 2a_2 \cos 2\Delta\phi \\ & \text{- - -} a_0 + 2a_2 \cos 2\Delta\phi + 2a_3 \cos 3\Delta\phi \end{aligned}$$

$$a_n = \langle \Delta Y(\Delta\phi) \cos n\Delta\phi \rangle$$

Harmonics of Recoil Subtracted Correlation in p+Pb

$$c_n = \langle C_{R.S.}(\Delta\phi) \cos(n\Delta\phi) \rangle = a_n / (b_{ZYAM}^c + a_0), n = 2,3 \leftrightarrow v_{n,n}$$

Convert to a single-particle level assuming factorization

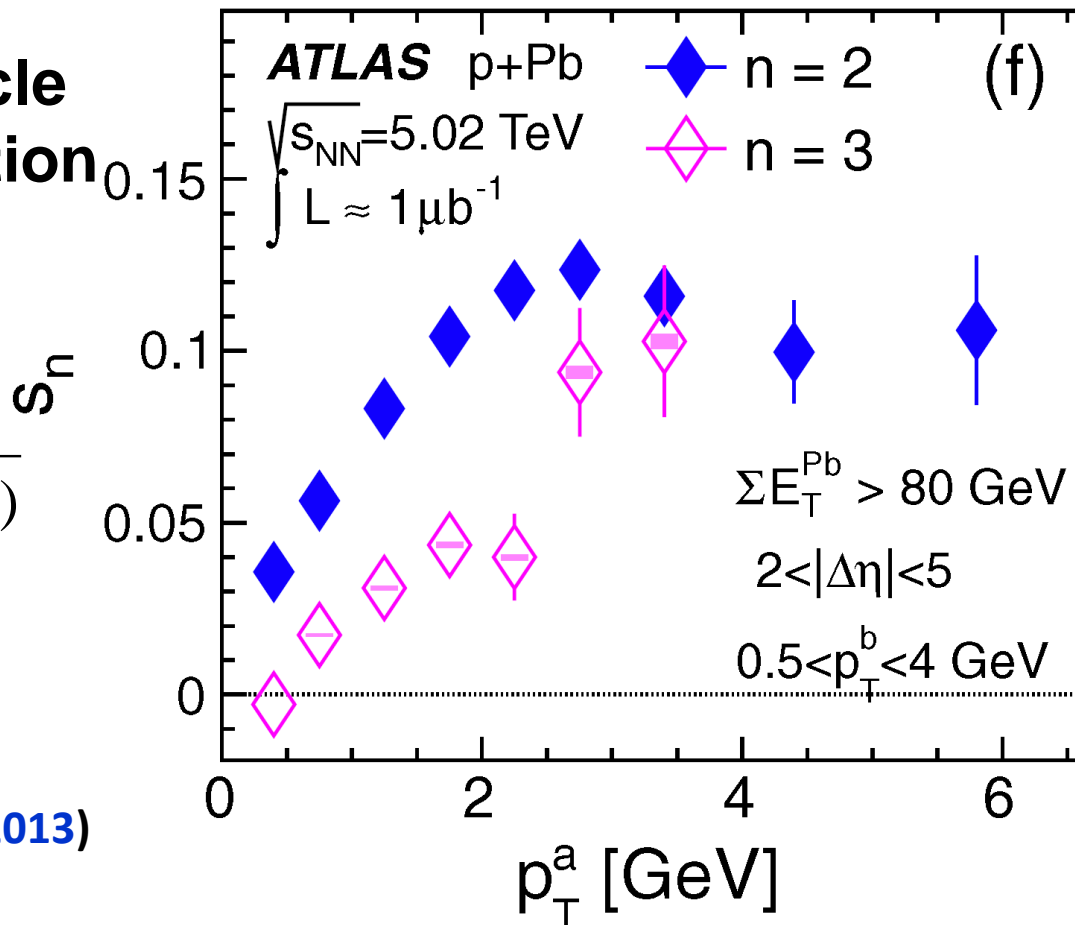
$$c_n(p_T^a, p_T^b) = s_n(p_T^a) \cdot s_n(p_T^b)$$

$$s_n(p_T^a) = c_n(p_T^a, p_T^b) / \sqrt{c_n(p_T^b, p_T^b)}$$

$$s_n \leftrightarrow v_n \{2PC\}$$

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- s_2 increases with p_T up to ~ 3 GeV, then drops
- $s_3 < s_2$ over the measured p_T



Four-particle Cumulants in p+Pb Collisions

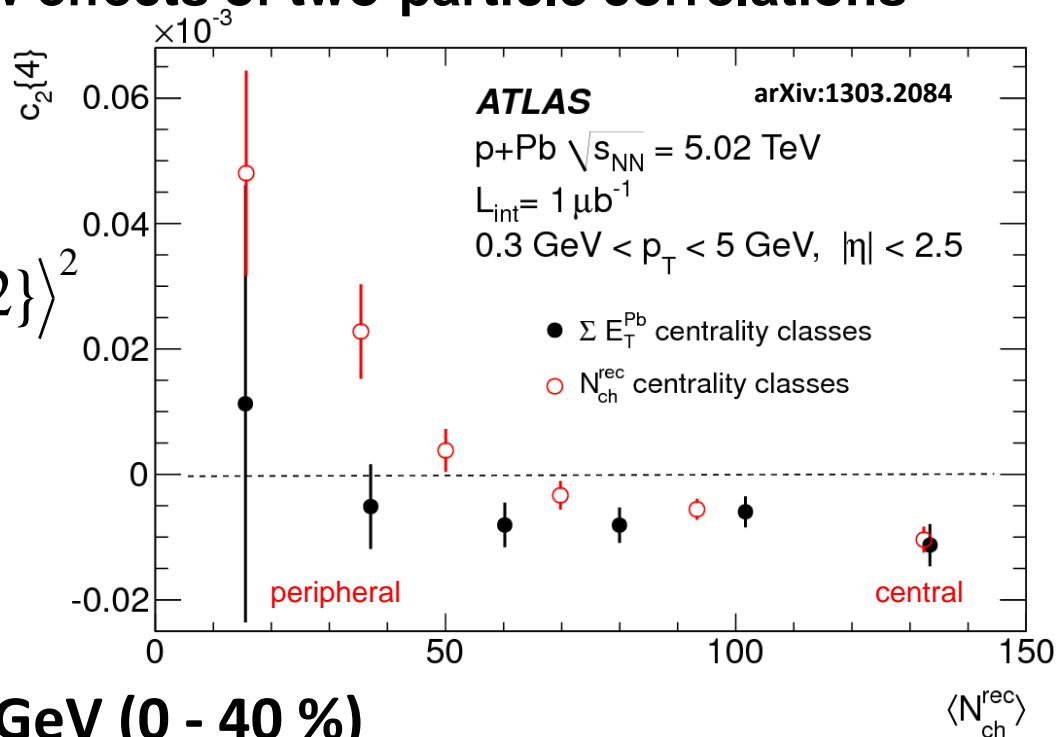
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$c_2\{4\}$ – free from non-flow effects of two-particle correlations

A. Bilandzic, R. Snellings, S. Voloshin,
Phys. Rev. C83,044913(2011)

$$c_2\{4\} = \langle corr_2\{4\} \rangle - 2\langle corr_2\{2\} \rangle^2$$

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



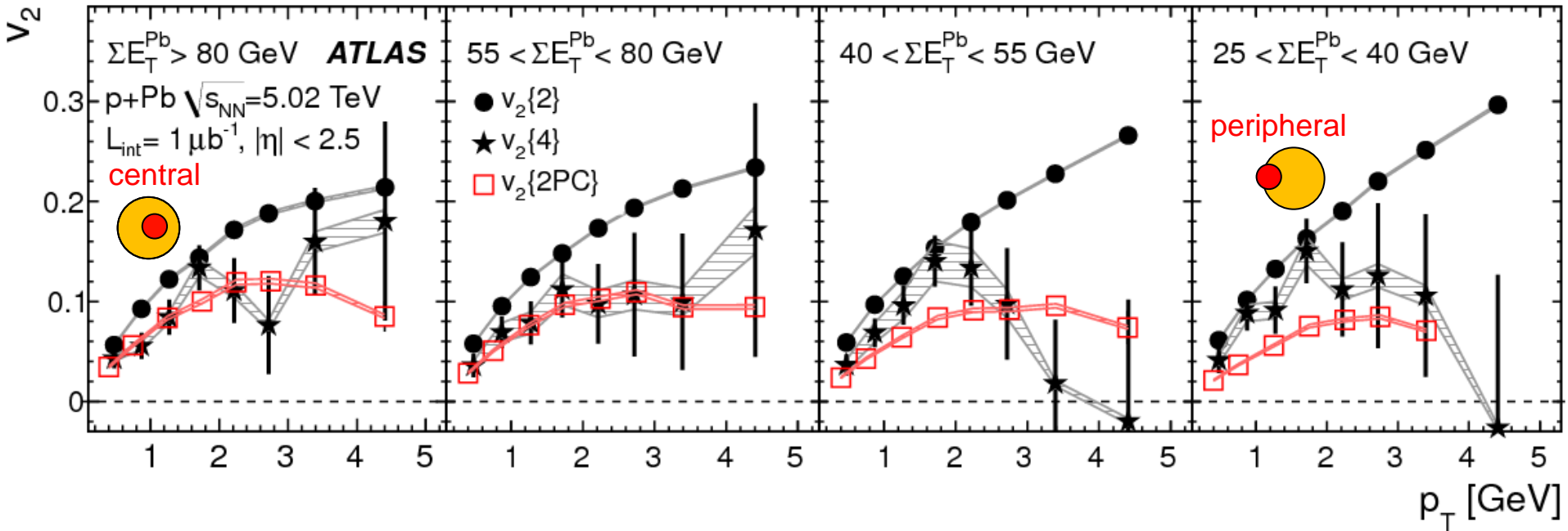
- $c_2\{4\}(+2\sigma) < 0$ for $\Sigma E_T^{Pb} > 25$ GeV (0 - 40 %)
- $c_2\{4\}$ (ΣE_T^{Pb} centrality) agree with $c_2\{4\}$ (N_{ch}^{rec} centrality) for $N_{ch}^{rec} > 70$

**Clear sign of significant flow-like 4-particle correlations
in central (high multiplicity) p+Pb collisions**

p_T - dependence of $v_2\{4\}$ in p+Pb

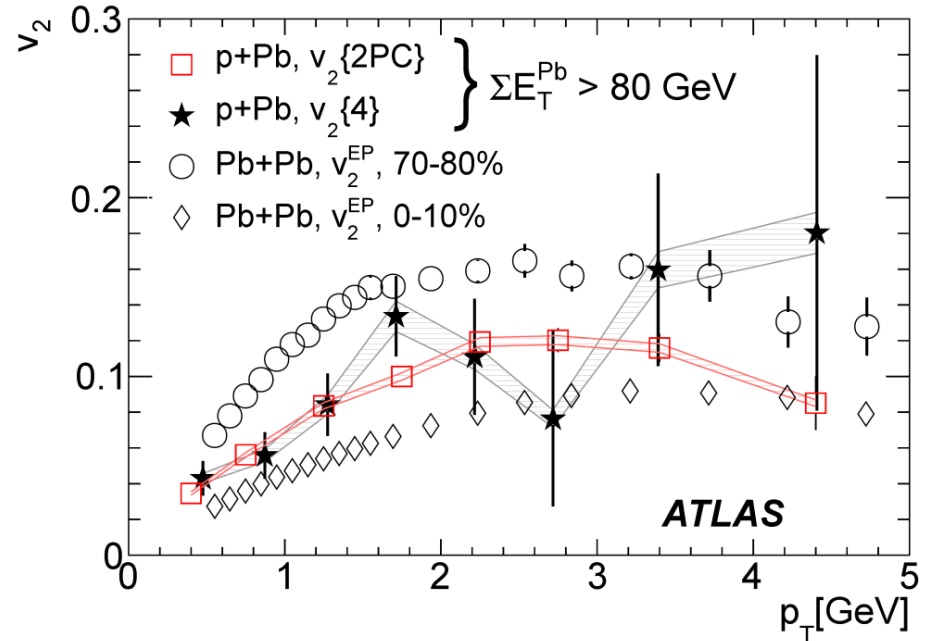
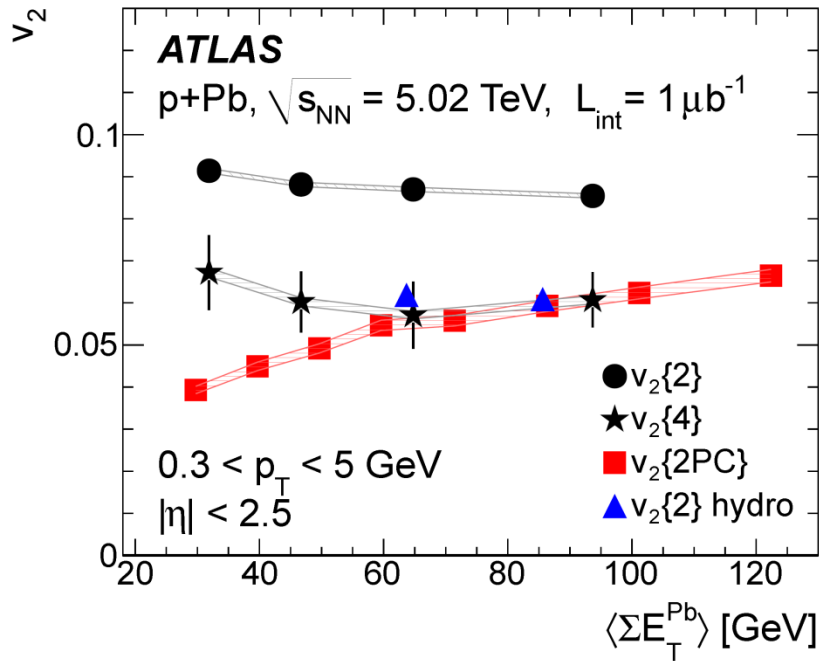
$$v_2\{4\}(p_T) = \frac{-d_2\{4\}(p_T)}{3^{1/4}\sqrt{-c_2\{4\}}}$$

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- Strong reduction of v_2 when using four-particle cumulants
- Good agreement with $v_2\{2\text{PC}\}$ for $\Sigma E_T^{\text{Pb}} > 55 \text{ GeV}$ (0 - 20 %)
- Differences for $\Sigma E_T^{\text{Pb}} < 55 \text{ GeV}$:
 - recoil subtraction, non-flow in $v_2\{4\}$ or both

Centrality Dependence of $v_2\{4\}$ in p+Pb



- **Significant $v_2\{4\} \approx 0.06$**
 - Weaker/stronger than in peripheral/central Pb+Pb collisions
 - Systematically larger, by 15-20%, than $v_2\{4\}_{CMS}$ arXiv:1305.0609
- **Good agreement with the hydrodynamic predictions**
 (P. Bożek, W. Broniowski Phys. Lett. B718,1557 (2013))

Summary

- High-precision measurements on azimuthal anisotropy in Pb+Pb and p+Pb collisions were performed by ATLAS
- Unfolded event-by-event v_2 , v_3 and v_4 distributions provide direct information on relative flow fluctuations:
 - $\sigma_2/\langle v_2 \rangle$ shows strong centrality dependence
- v_n distributions are not fully consistent with the eccentricity distributions from the Glauber and/or KLN MC models.
- Elliptic flow $v_2\{2\}$ and $v_2\{4\}$ were measured in broad range of centrality, η ($|\eta| < 2.5$) and p_T ($0.5 < p_T < 12$ GeV)
 - Relative fluctuations of elliptic flow from 2- and 4-particle cumulants are consistent with the MC Glauber model and E-by-E (in 5-50% centrality bin)
- Collective flow in p+Pb?
 - Long Range azimuthal correlations (ridge) observed in p+Pb
 - Symmetric near side and away side ridge(s) with similar p_T and centrality dependence are measured
 - $v_2\{4\}$ and $v_2\{2PC\}$ show similar p_T and centrality dependence, consistent with v_2 for HI collisions