

# pA at the LHC and Extensive Air Shower Development

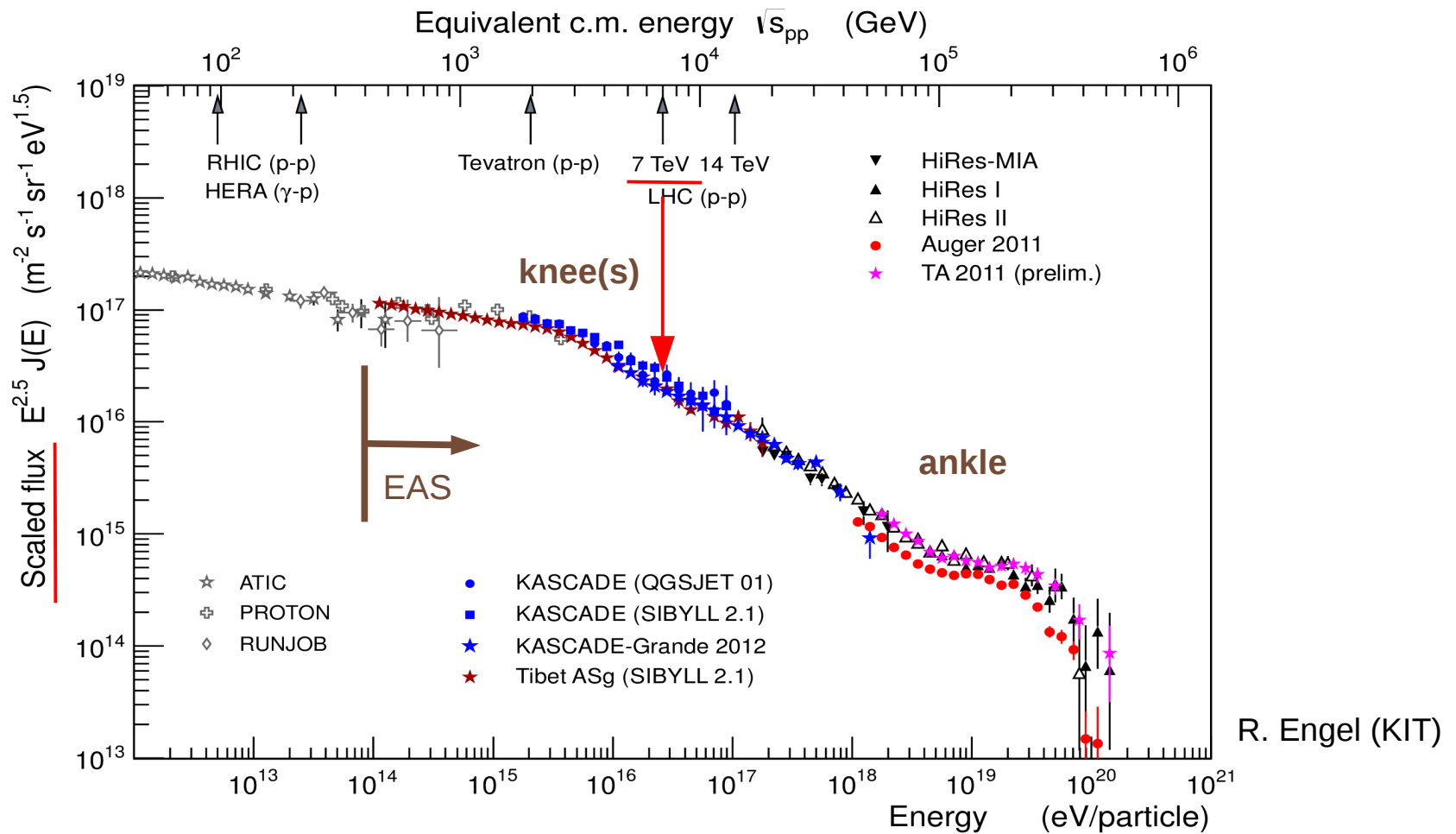
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# Cosmic Ray Spectrum



## ● Origins of spectrum properties

➔ mostly unknown

➔ depend on primary CR mass

## ● Most of analysis based on EAS simulations

➔ CORSIKA

➔ AIRES

➔ COSMOS

➔ CONEX, ...

# Outline

- **Hadronic Interaction Models for CR**
  - ➔ New models
- **Connection with Cosmic Rays (CR)**
  - ➔ Heitler model
- **LHC and Xmax**
  - ➔ Longitudinal development
- **LHC and muons in Extensive Air Showers (EAS)**
  - ➔ Particles at ground
- **Summary**

# Hadronic Interaction Models

## ● Theoretical basis :

→ pQCD (large  $p_t$ )

Pb : CR physic dominated by soft interactions

→ Gribov-Regge (cross section with multiple scattering)

→ energy conservation

Pb : Gribov-Regge do not take into account energy conservation ...

## ● Phenomenology (models) :

→ string fragmentation

→ beam remnants

Need Parameters !

→ diffraction (Good-Walker, ...)

→ higher order effects

## ● Models corrected to take into account LHC data (pp) :

→ QGSJETII-04 : minimum theory requirement with few parameters and limited data set : optimized for CR (S. Ostapchenko).

→ EPOS LHC : more detailed data with more parameters : complete picture (even heavy ion) (K. Werner and TP).

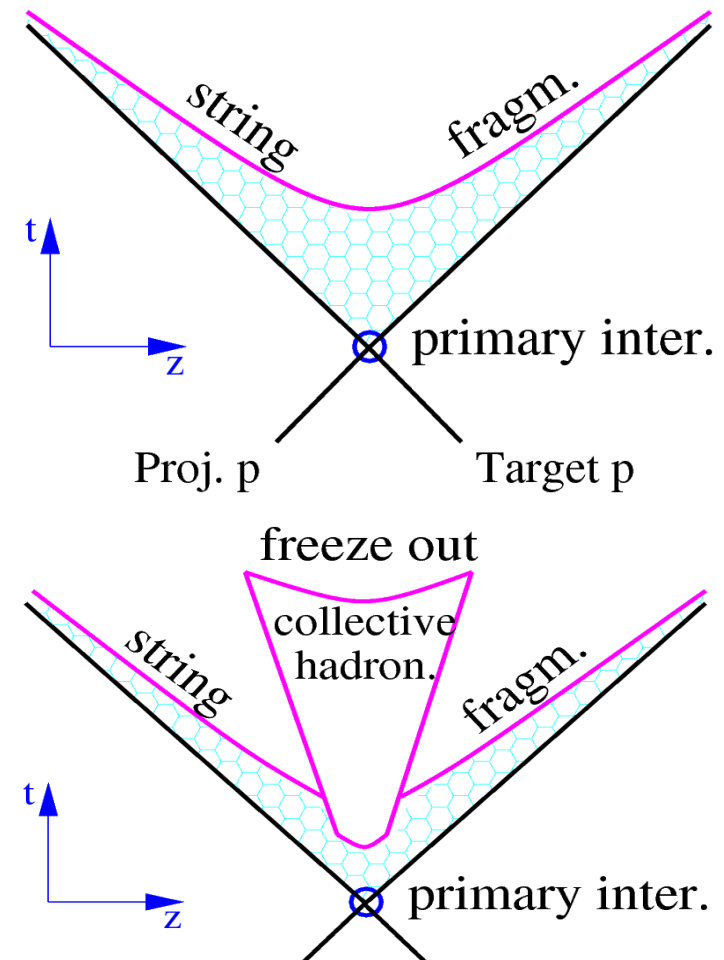
# New Models after LHC

## ● QGSJETII-03 to QGSJETII-04 :

- ➔ loop diagrams
- ➔  $\rho^0$  forward production in pion interaction
- ➔ re-tuning some parameters for LHC and lower energies

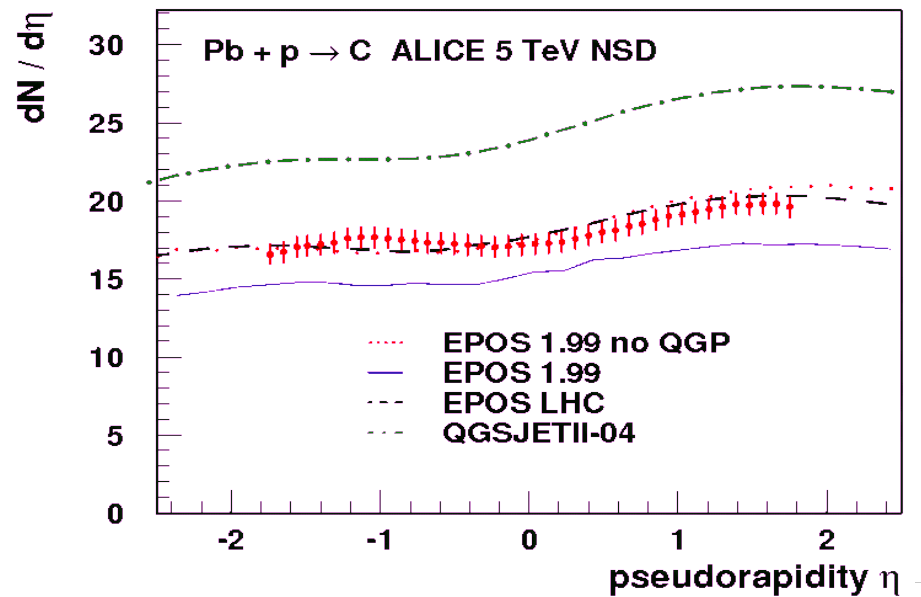
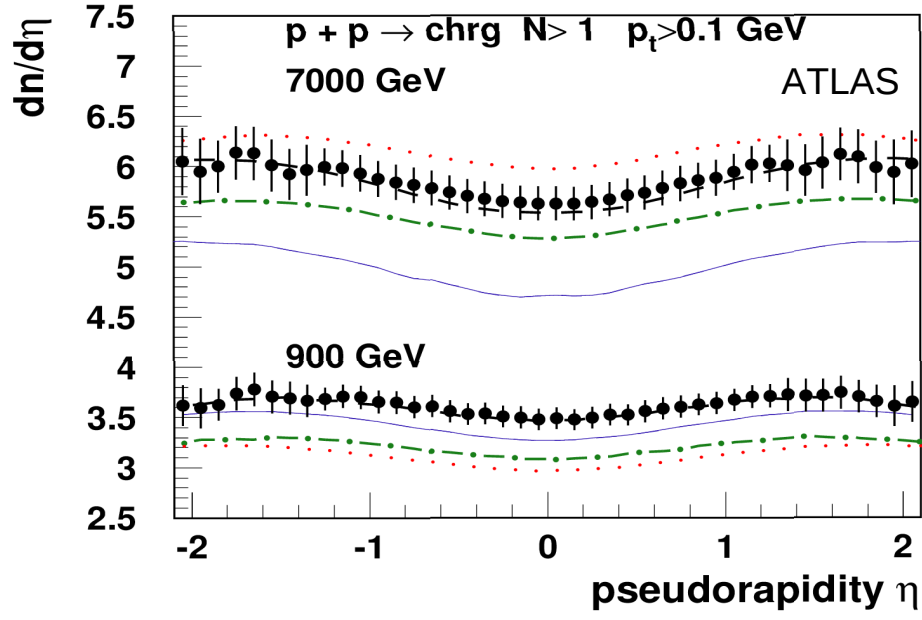
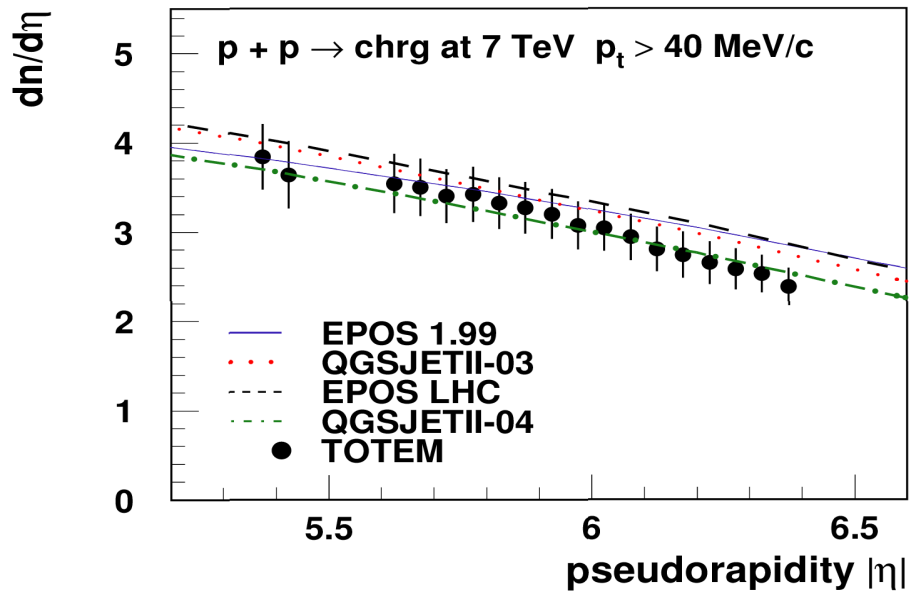
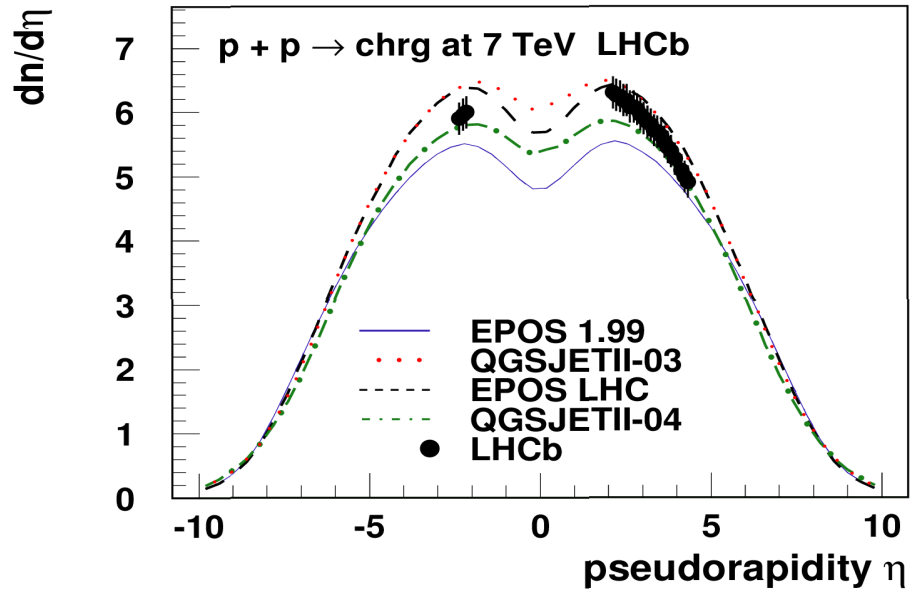
## ● EPOS 1.99 to EPOS LHC

- ➔ tune cross section to TOTEM value
- ➔ change old flow calculation to a more realistic one
- ➔ introduce central diffraction
- ➔ keep compatibility with lower energies

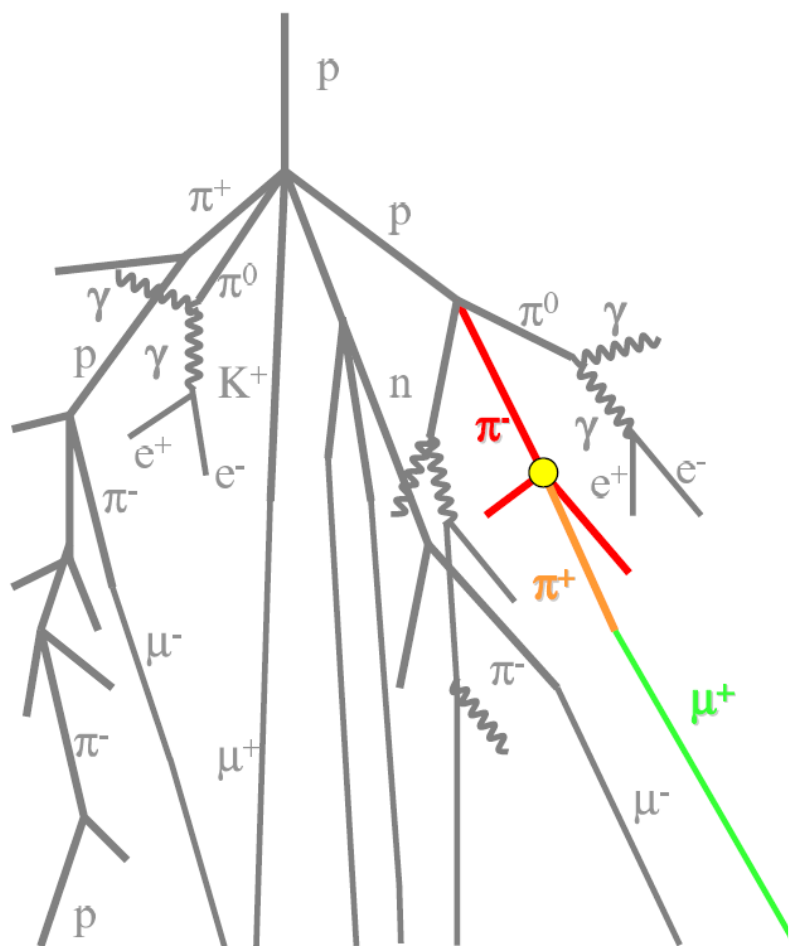


Direct influence of collective effects on EAS simulations to be shown but important to compare to LHC and set parameters properly ( $\langle p_t \rangle$ , ...).

# Pseudorapidity Distributions



# Extensive Air Shower



$$A + air \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$$

main source of uncertainties

$$p + air \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$$

$$\pi + air \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$$

initial  $\gamma$  from  $\pi^0$  decay

$$e^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm + \gamma$$

well known

$$\gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$$

$$\pi^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm + \nu_\mu / \bar{\nu}_\mu$$

## ● Cascade of particle in Earth's atmosphere

Number of particles at maximum

➔ 99,88% of electromagnetic (e/m) particles

➔ 0.1% of muons

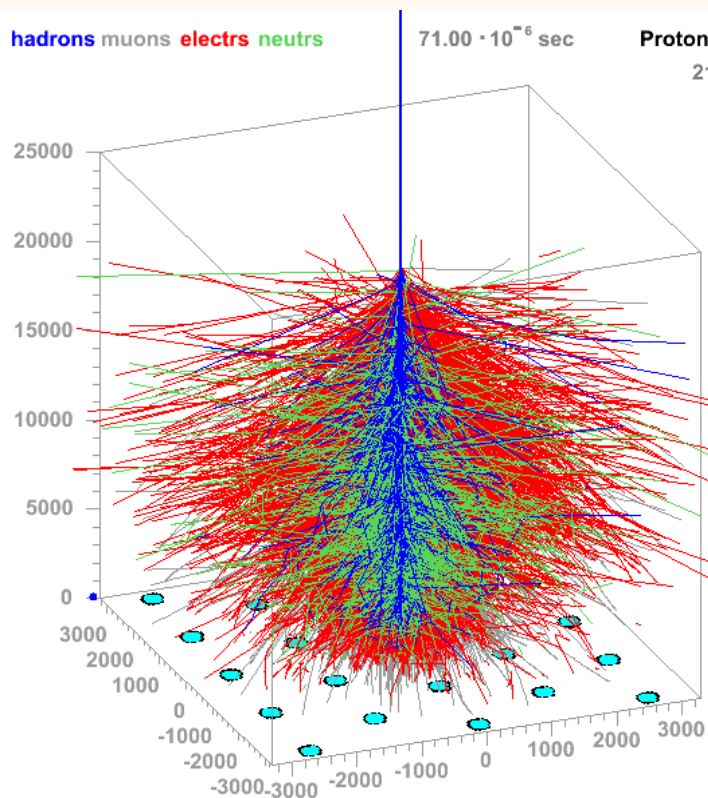
➔ 0.02% hadrons

Energy

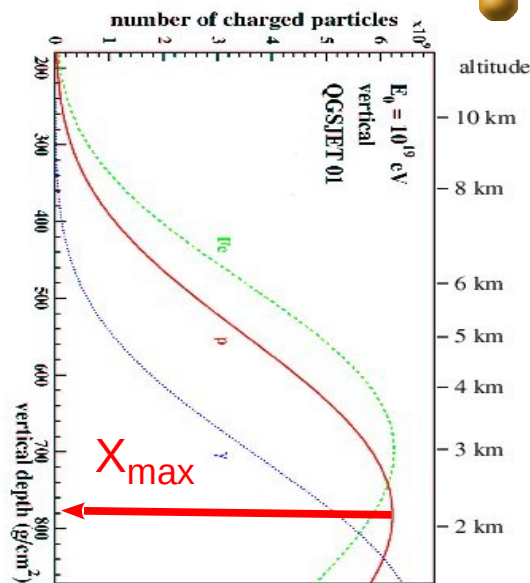
➔ from 100% hadronic to 90% in e/m + 10% in muons at ground (vertical)

From R. Ulrich (KIT)

# Extensive Air Shower Observables



J.Oehlschlaeger,R.Engel,FZKarlsruhe



## ● Longitudinal Development

➔ number of particles vs depth

$$X = \int_h^\infty dz \rho(z)$$

➔ Larger number of particles at  $X_{max}$

For many showers

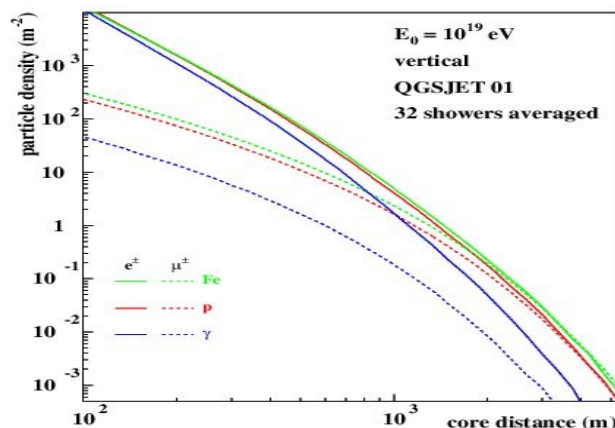
◆ mean :  $\langle X_{max} \rangle$

◆ fluctuations : RMS  $X_{max}$

## ● Lateral distribution function (LDF)

➔ particle density at ground vs distance to the impact point (core)

➔ can be muons or electrons/gammas or a mixture of all.





# Simplified Shower Development

- Using generalized Heitler model and superposition model :

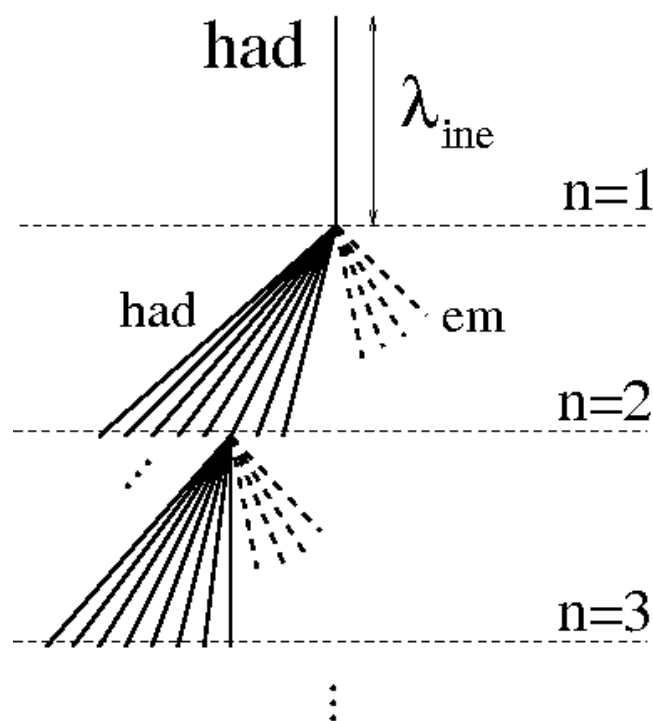
$$X_{max} \sim \lambda_e \ln \left( (1-k) \cdot E_0 / (2 \cdot N_{tot} \cdot A) \right) + \lambda_{ine}$$

- ➔ Model independent parameters :

- $E_0$  = primary energy
- $A$  = primary mass
- $\lambda_e$  = electromagnetic mean free path

- ➔ Model dependent parameters :

- $k$  = elasticity
- $N_{tot}$  = total multiplicity
- $\lambda_{ine}$  = hadronic mean free path (cross section)

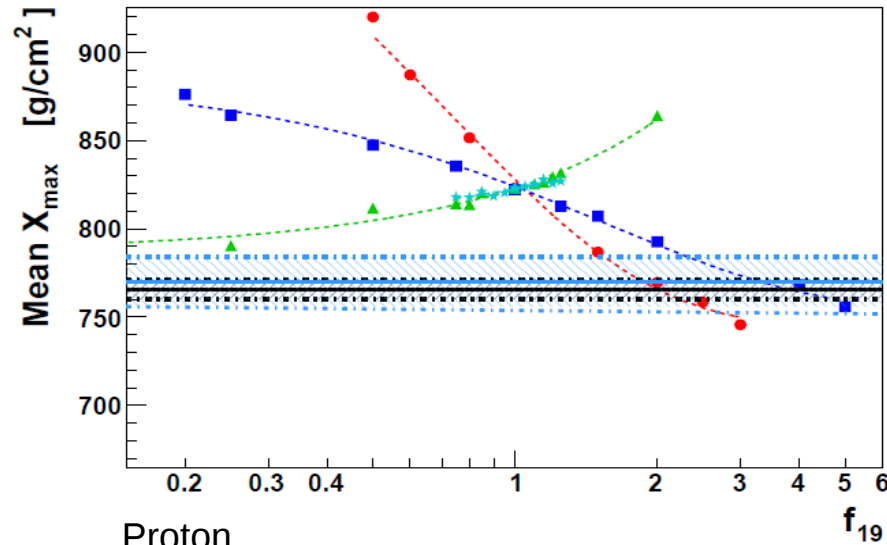


$$N_{tot} = N_{had} + N_{em}$$

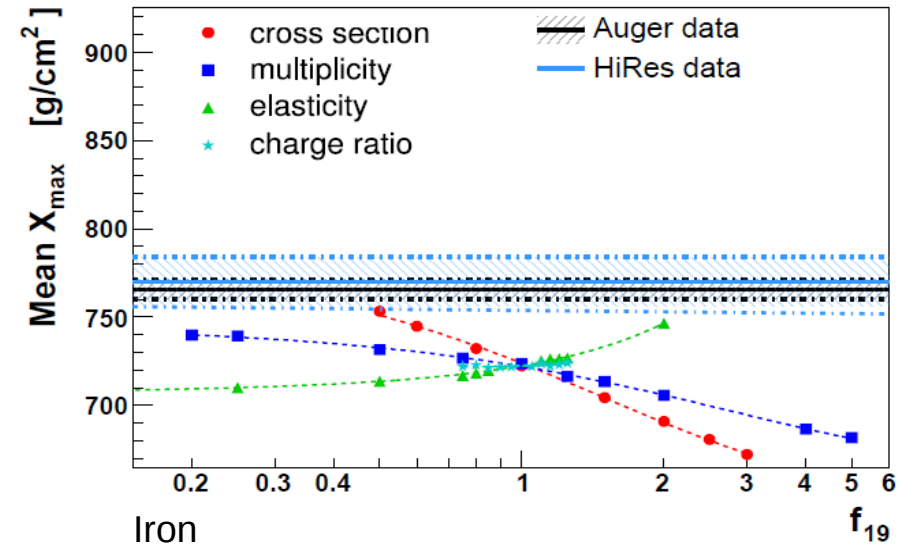
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# Effects of Parameters

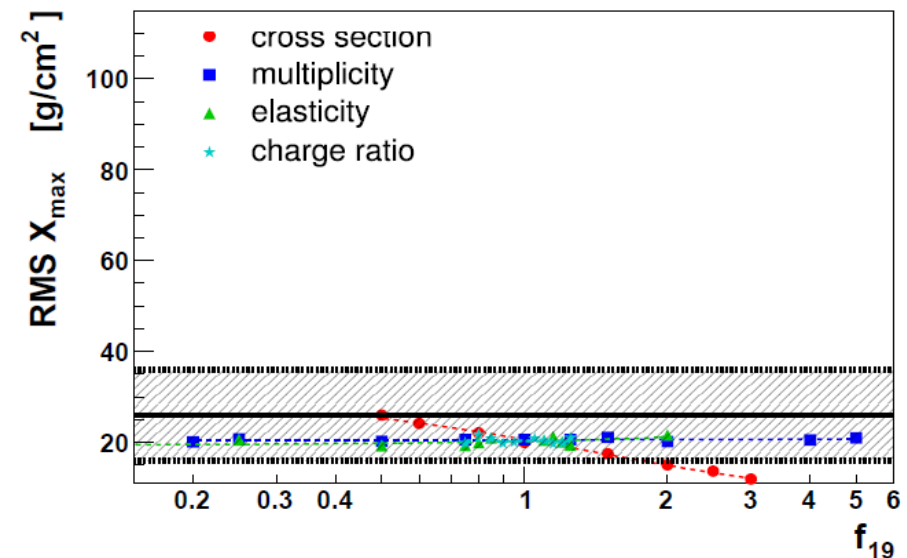
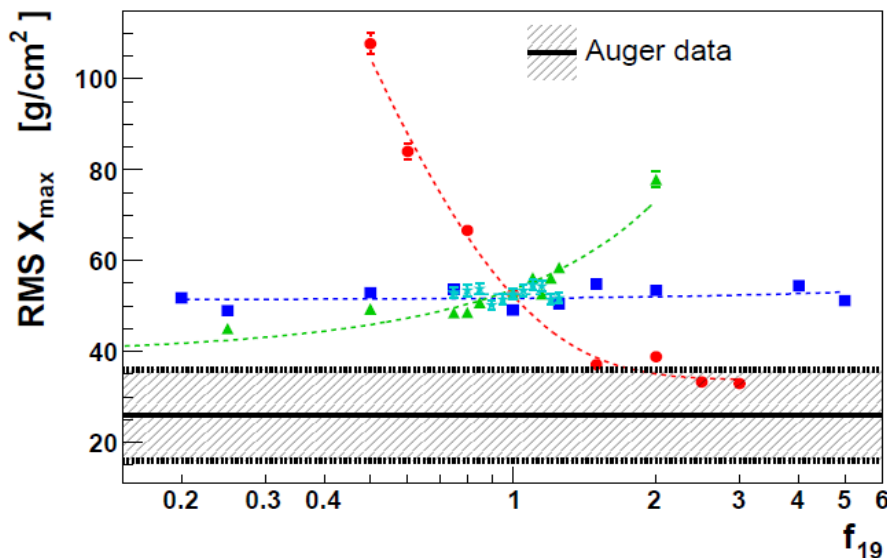
- Sensibility depends on observable and parameter :



Proton



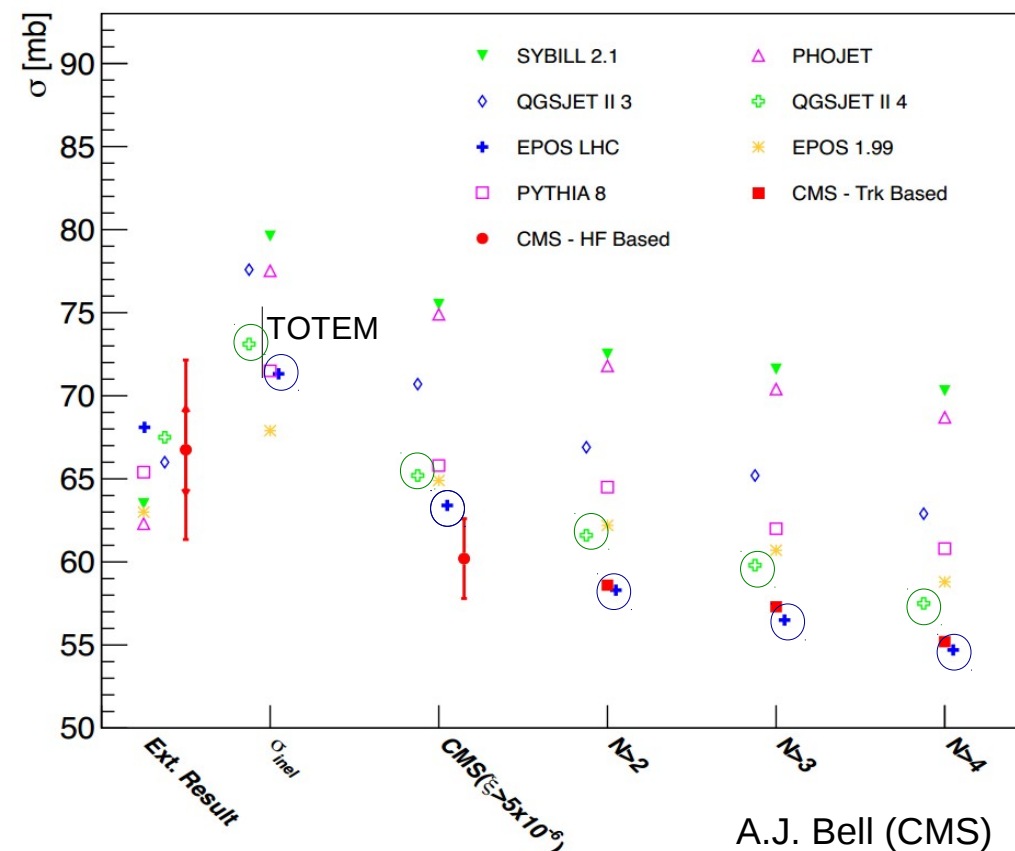
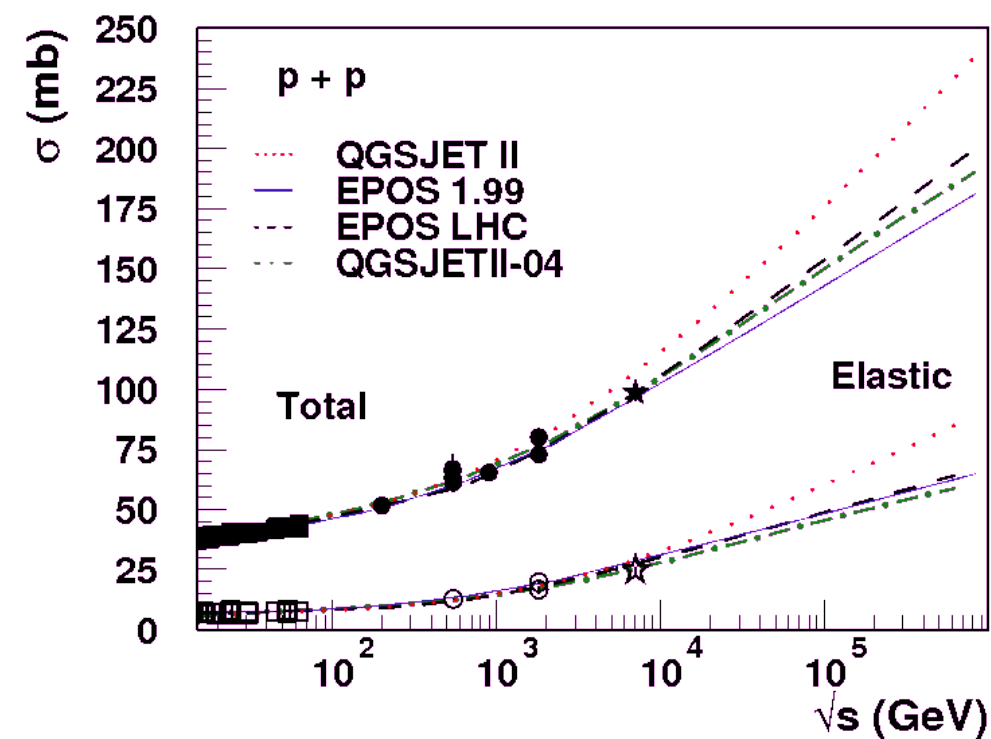
Iron



Plots by R. Ulrich (KIT) with Sibyll model and PAO data @ 10<sup>19</sup> eV

# Cross Sections

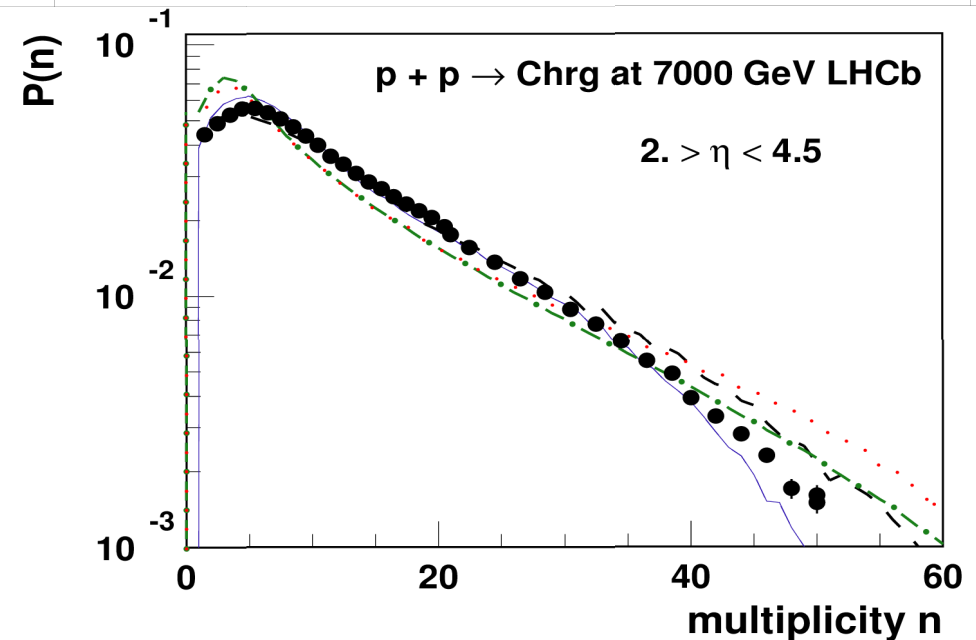
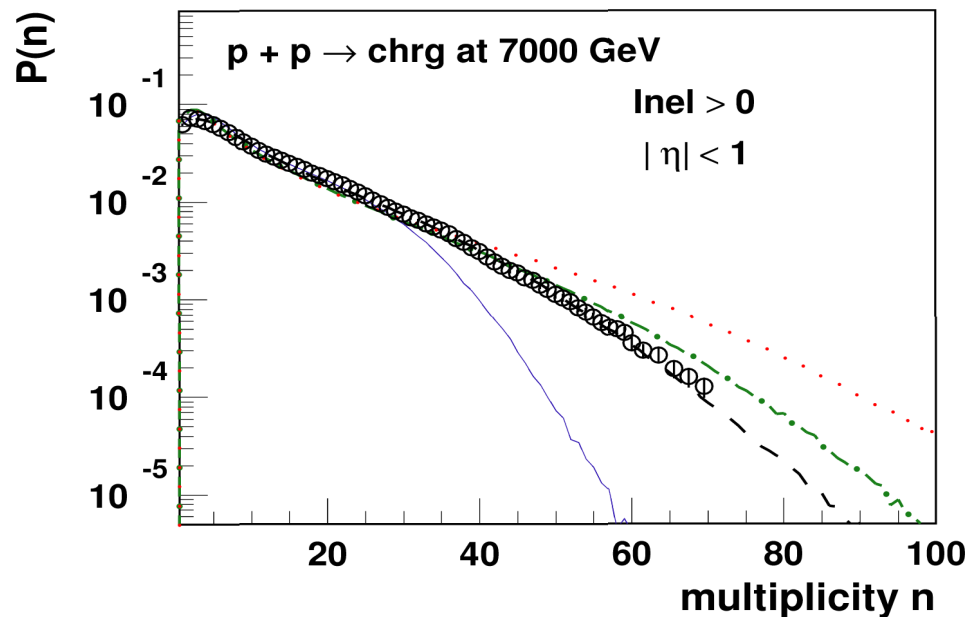
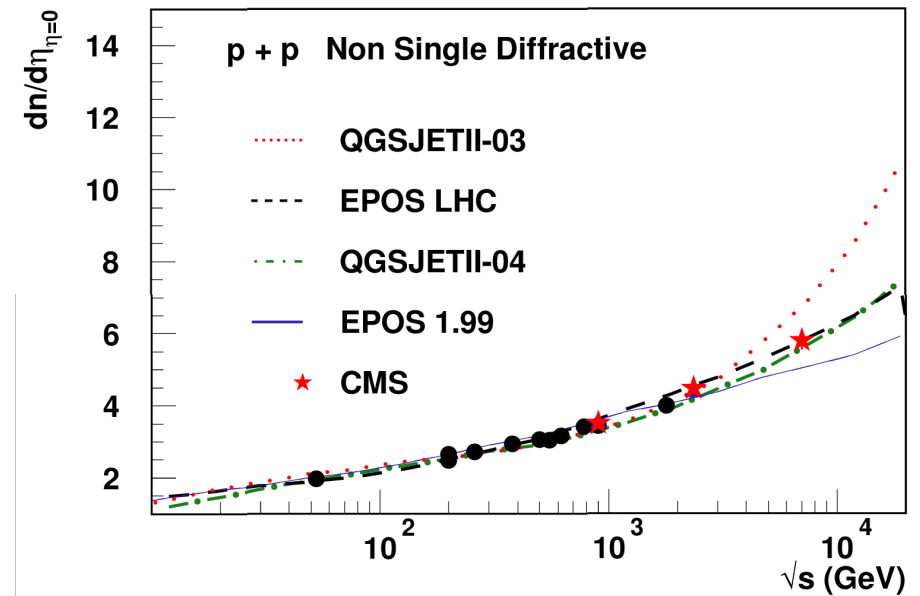
- ➔ Same cross sections at pp level up to LHC
- ➔ extrapolation to pA or to high energy
  - ◆ weak energy dependence : no room for large change beyond LHC
- ➔ LHC measurements test the difference between models (diffraction)



# Multiplicity

## Consistent results

- ➔ Better energy evolution
  - TOTEM cross section
- ➔ Better tail of multiplicity distributions
  - corrections in EPOS LHC (flow) and QGSJETII-04 (minimum string size)



# Inelasticity

## More uncertainty

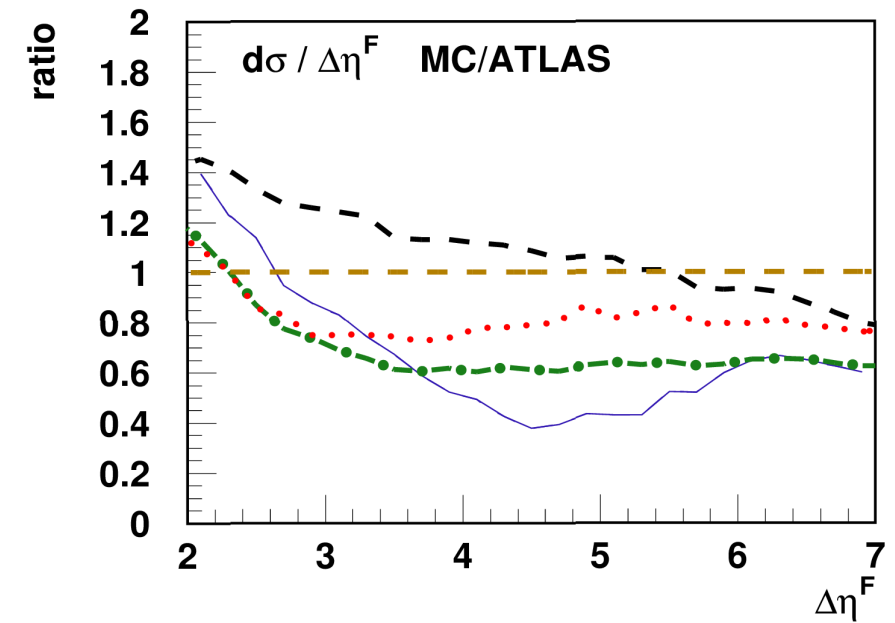
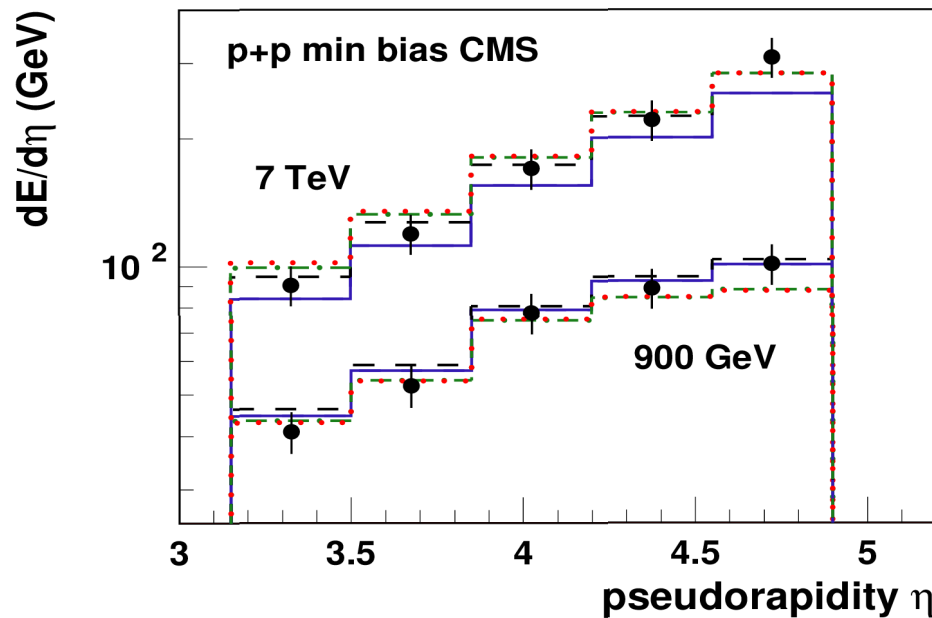
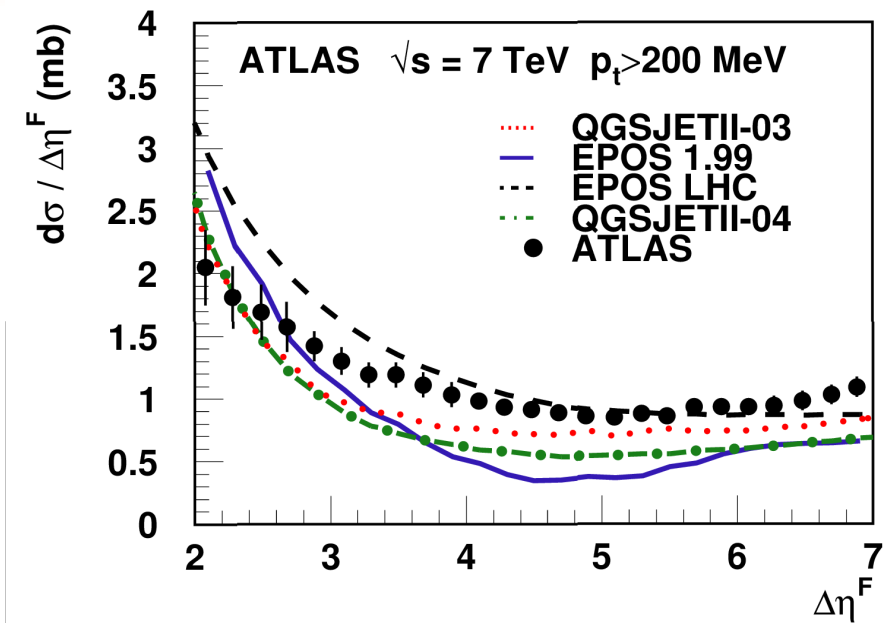
➔ Difference in diffraction

■ low mass

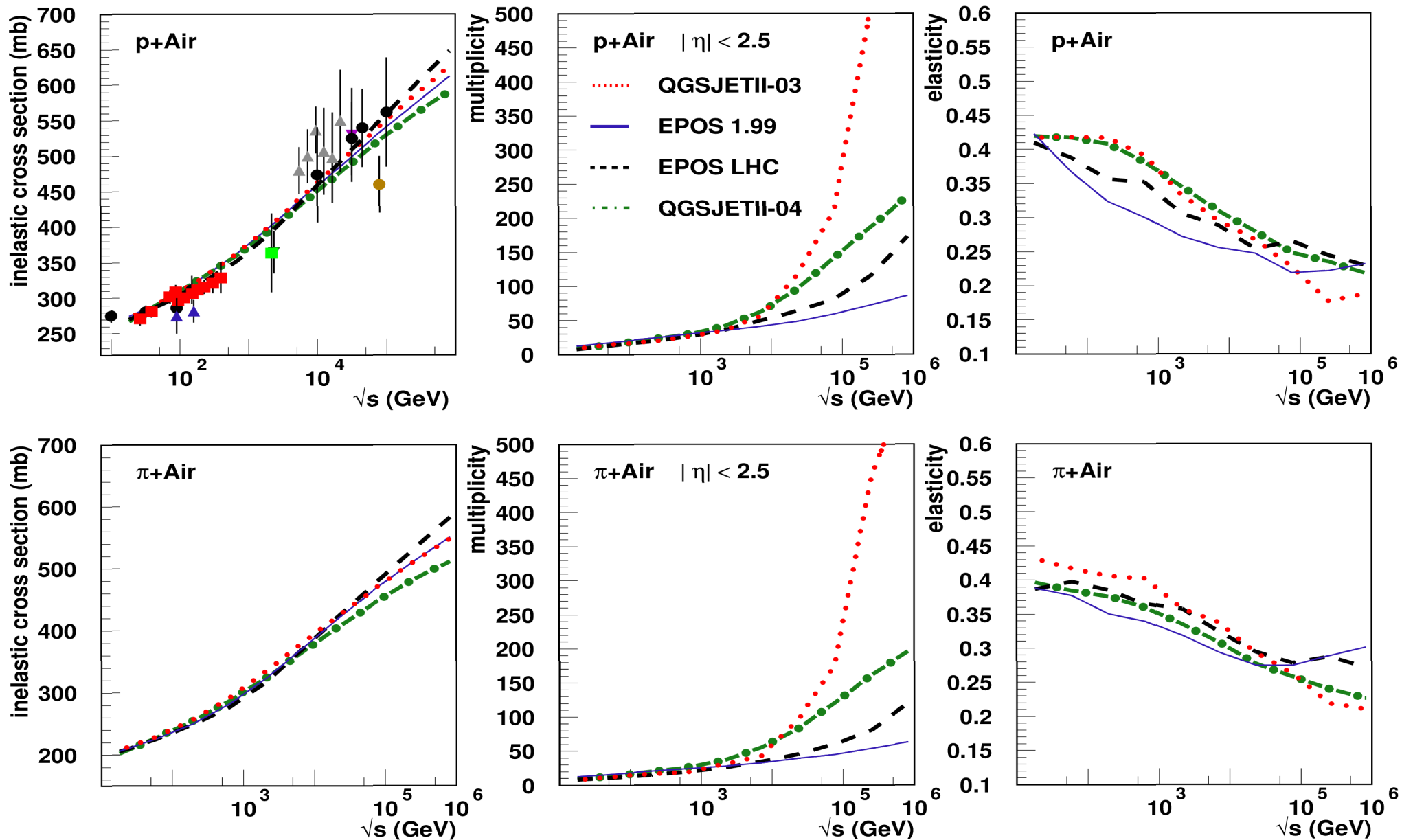
■ high mass

■ central

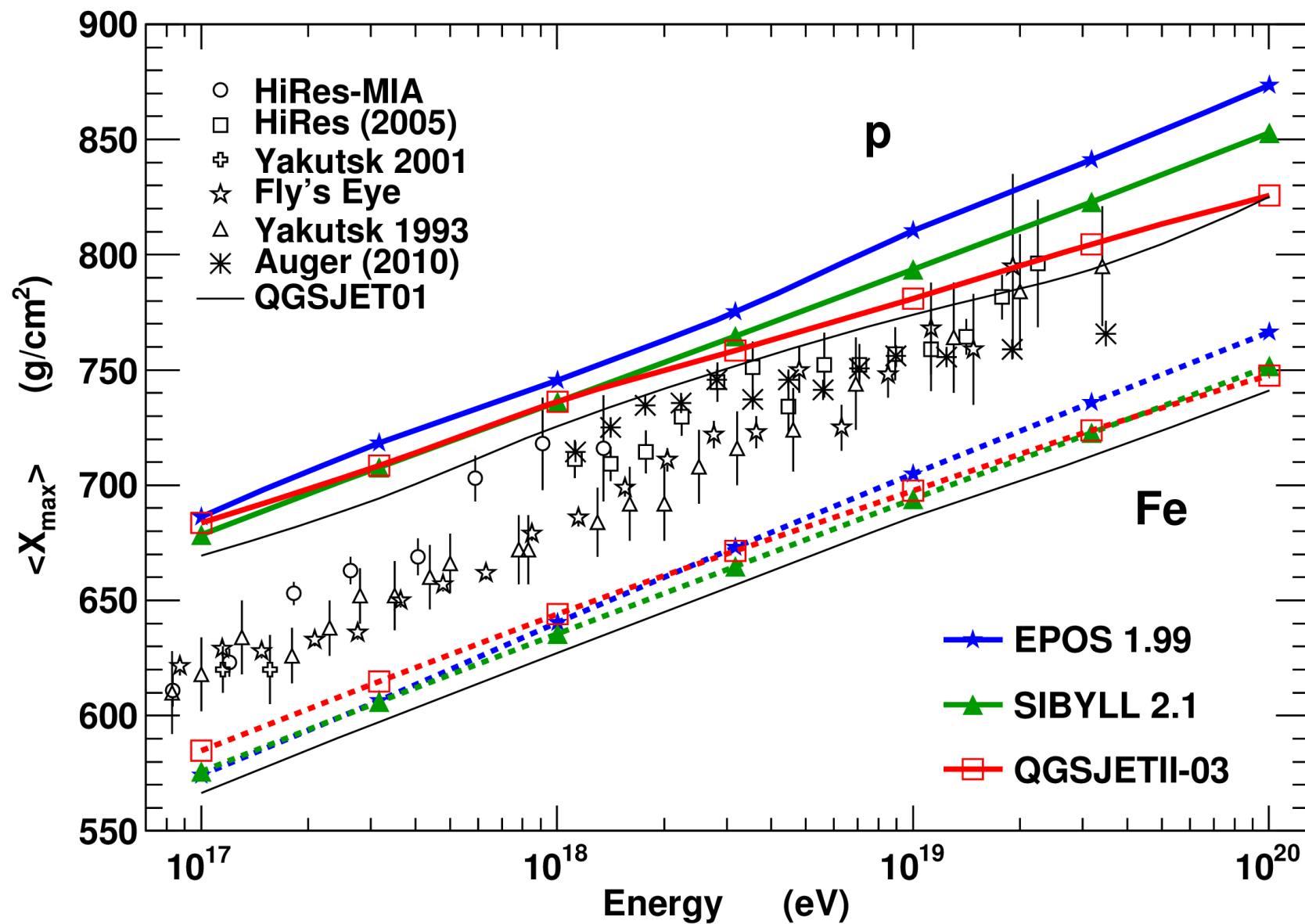
➔ very similar energy flow



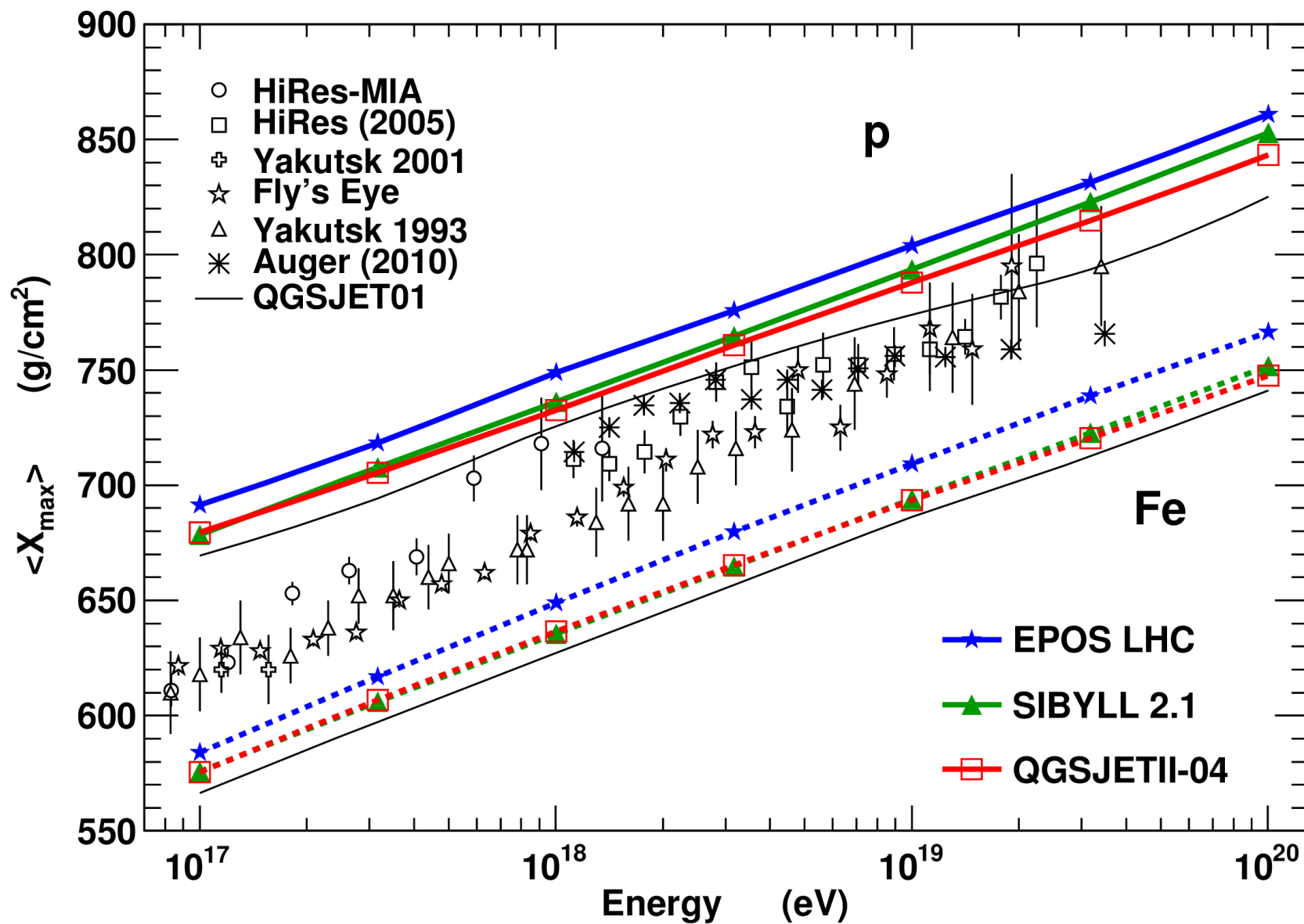
# Predictions with retuned models



# EAS with old CR Models : $X_{\max}$



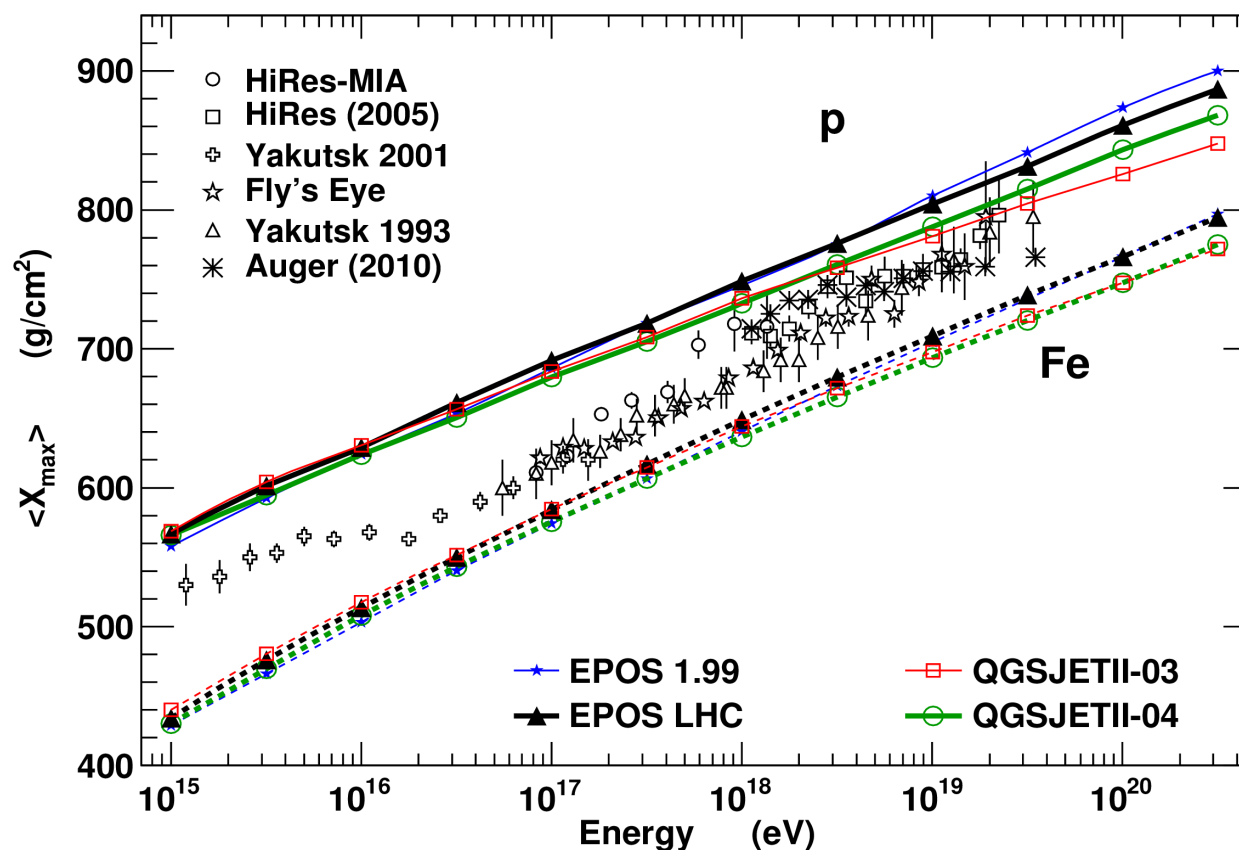
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# EAS with Re-tuned CR models : $X_{\max}$

- **Cross section and multiplicity fixed at 7 TeV**
  - ➔ smaller slope for EPOS and larger for QGSJETII
  - ➔ re-tuned model converge to old Sibyll 2.1 predictions
    - ◆ reduced uncertainty from  $\sim 50 \text{ g/cm}^2$  to  $\sim 20 \text{ g/cm}^2$  (difference proton/iron is about  $100 \text{ g/cm}^2$ )

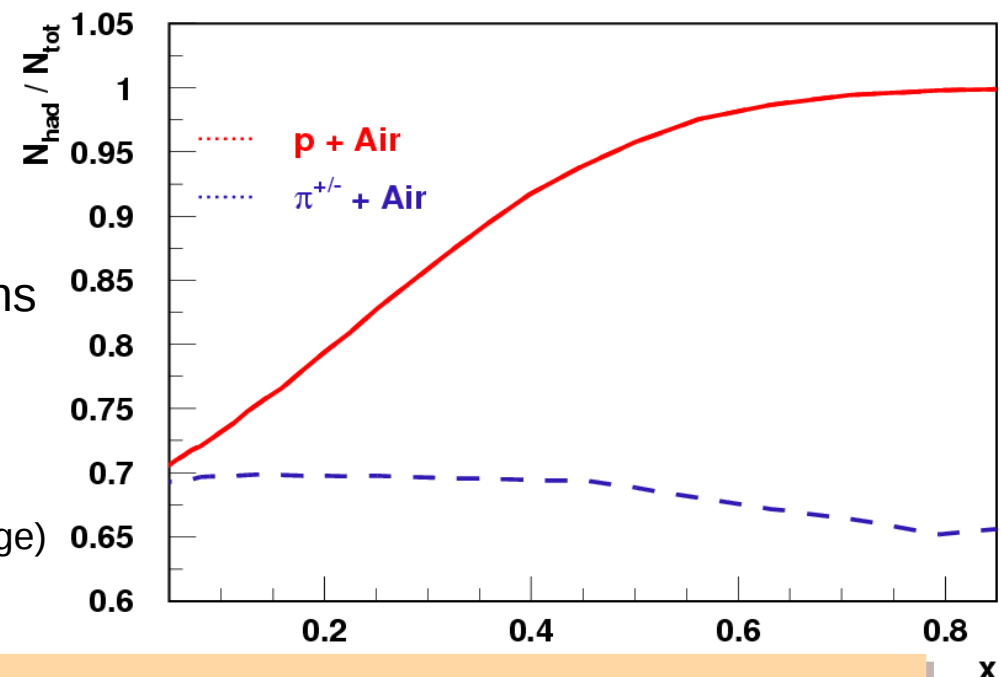


# Muon Number

## From Heitler

$$N_{\mu} = \left( \frac{E_0}{E_{dec}} \right)^{\alpha}, \quad \alpha = \frac{\ln N_{\pi^{ch}}}{\ln (N_{\pi^{ch}} + N_{\pi^0})}$$

- ➔ In real shower, not only pions : Kaons and (anti)Baryons (but 10 times less ...)
- ➔ Baryons do not produce leading  $\pi^0$
- ➔ With leading baryon, energy kept in hadronic channel = muon production
- ➔ Cumulative effect for low energy muons
- ➔ High energy muons
  - ◆ important effect of first interactions and baryon spectrum (LHC energy range)



**Muon number depends on the number of (anti)B in p- or π-Air interactions at all energies**

**More fast (anti)baryons = more muons**

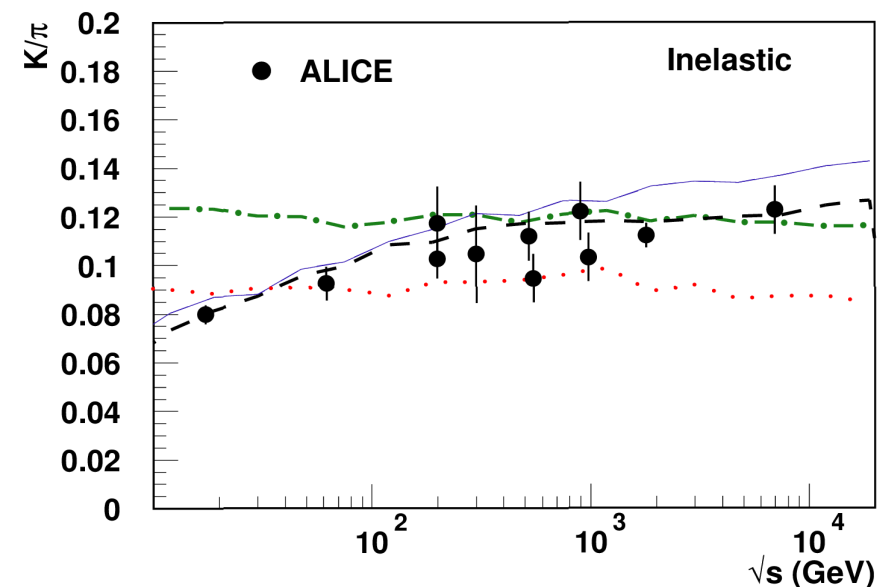
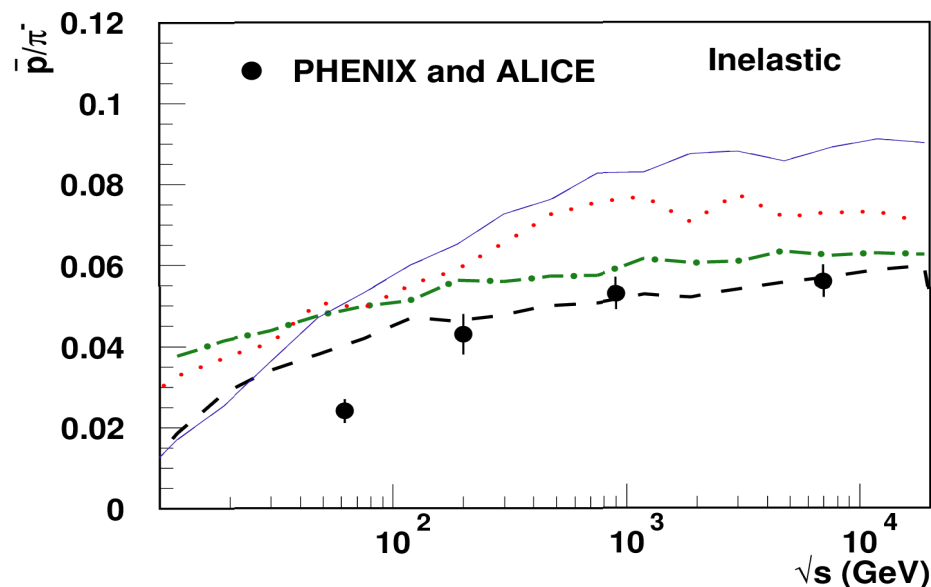
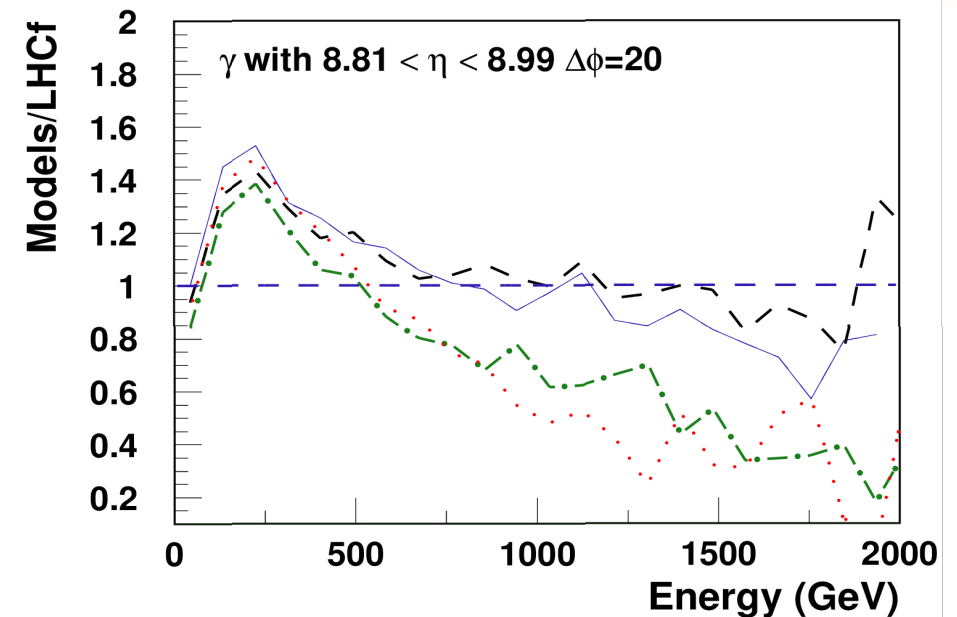
# Identified particles

- **Large improvement at mid-rapidity**

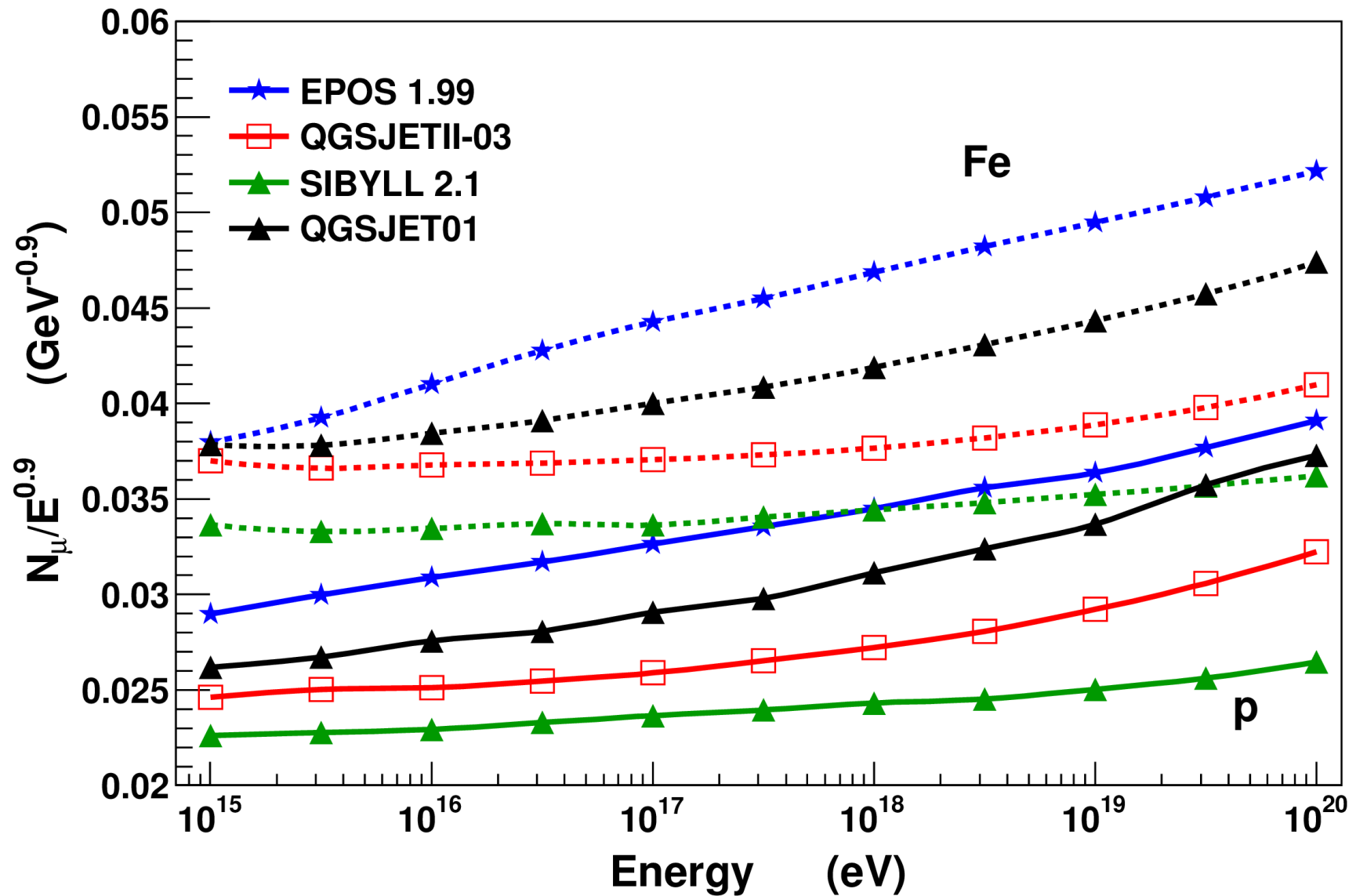
- ➔ very similar results for particle ratios
- ➔ overestimation of baryon production before due to wrong interpretation of Tevatron data

- **Only small changes very forward**

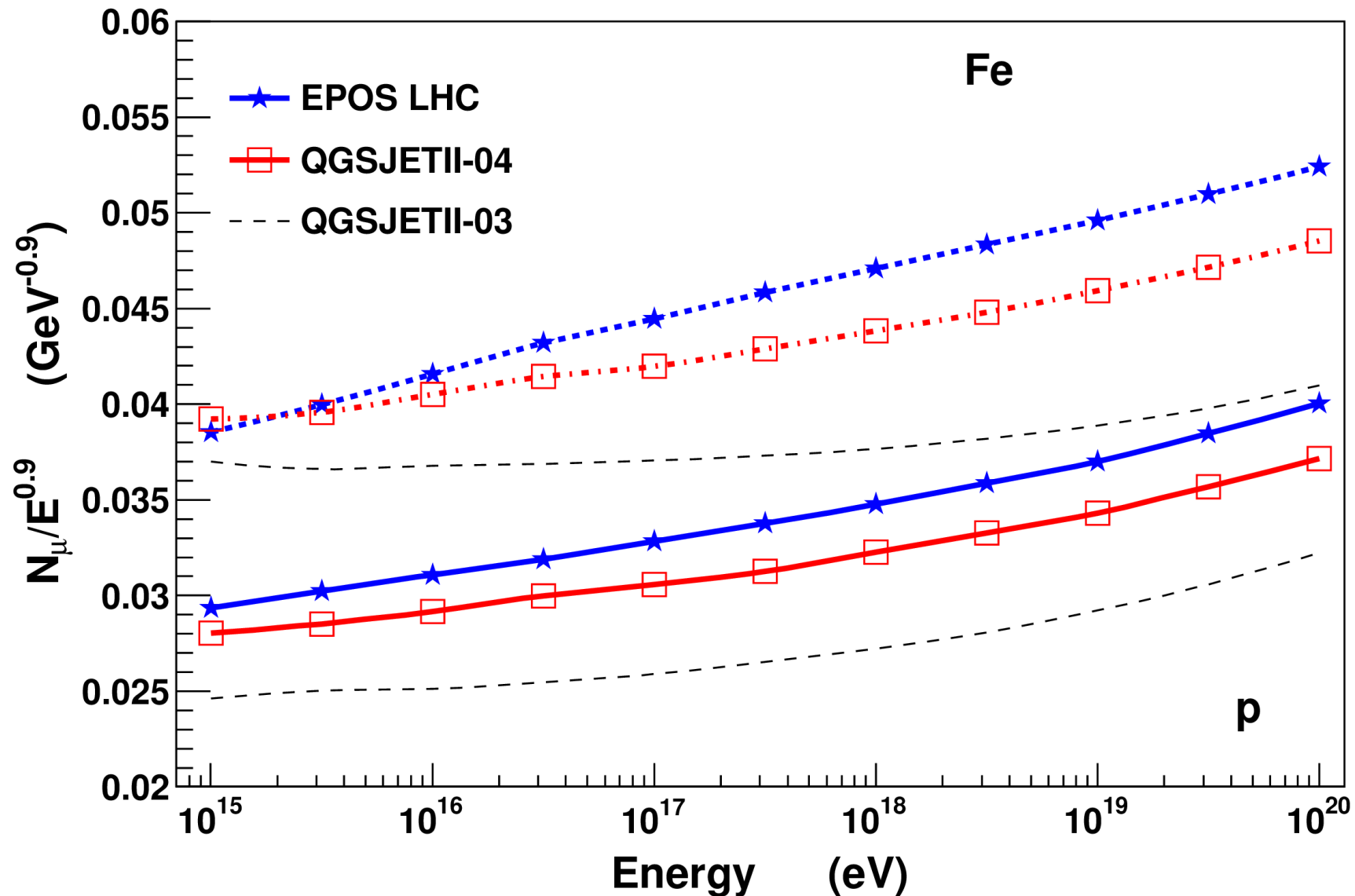
- ➔ no try to tune LHCf data yet (difficult)



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## EAS with Re-tuned CR models : Muons

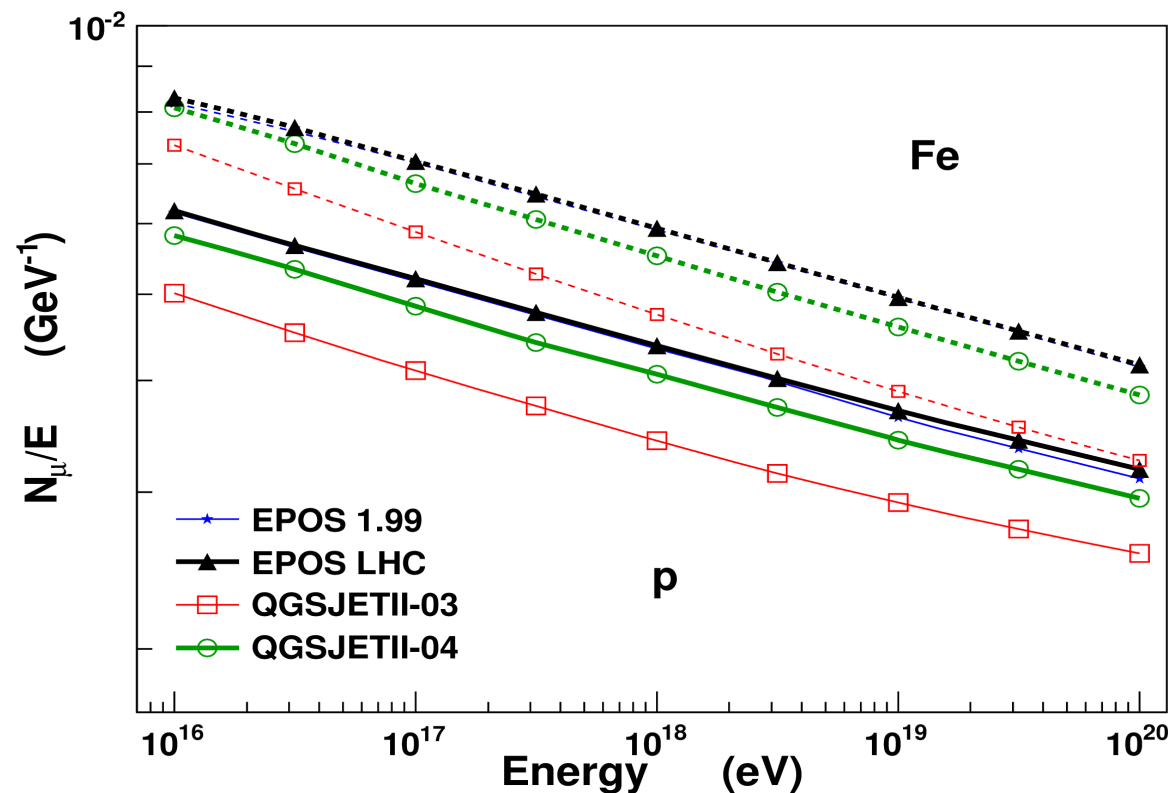


# EAS with Re-tuned CR models : Muons

## ● Weak effect of LHC

- ➔ Corrections at mid-rapidity thanks to LHC
- ➔ Changes in QGSJETII motivated by pion induced data (SPS)
- ➔ Changes for forward production in EPOS LHC can not be checked by LHC (yet ?) (motivated by model consistency)

## ● NA61 data wanted to check old data set



# Muon Production Depth

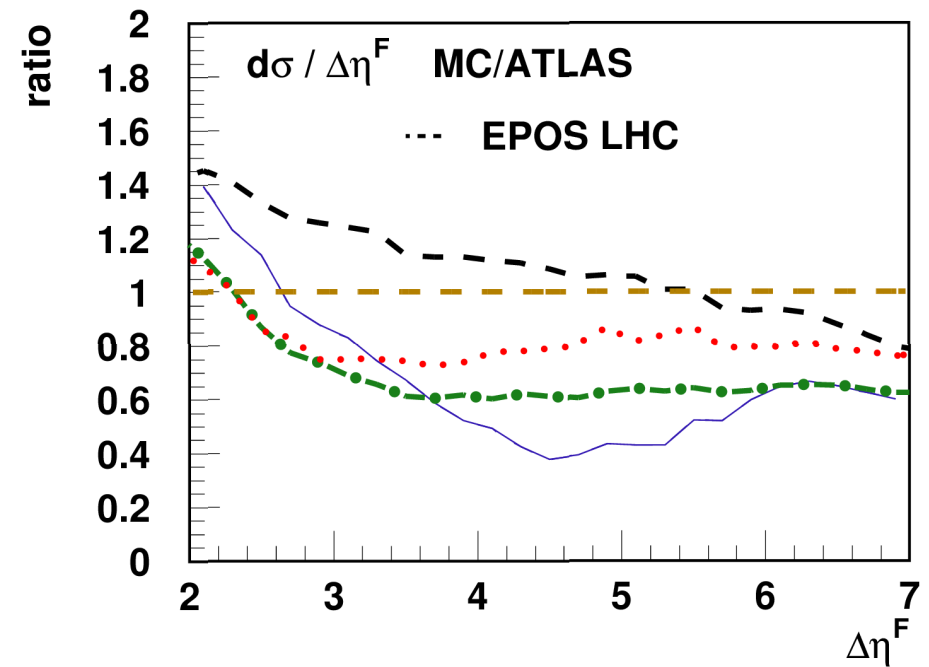
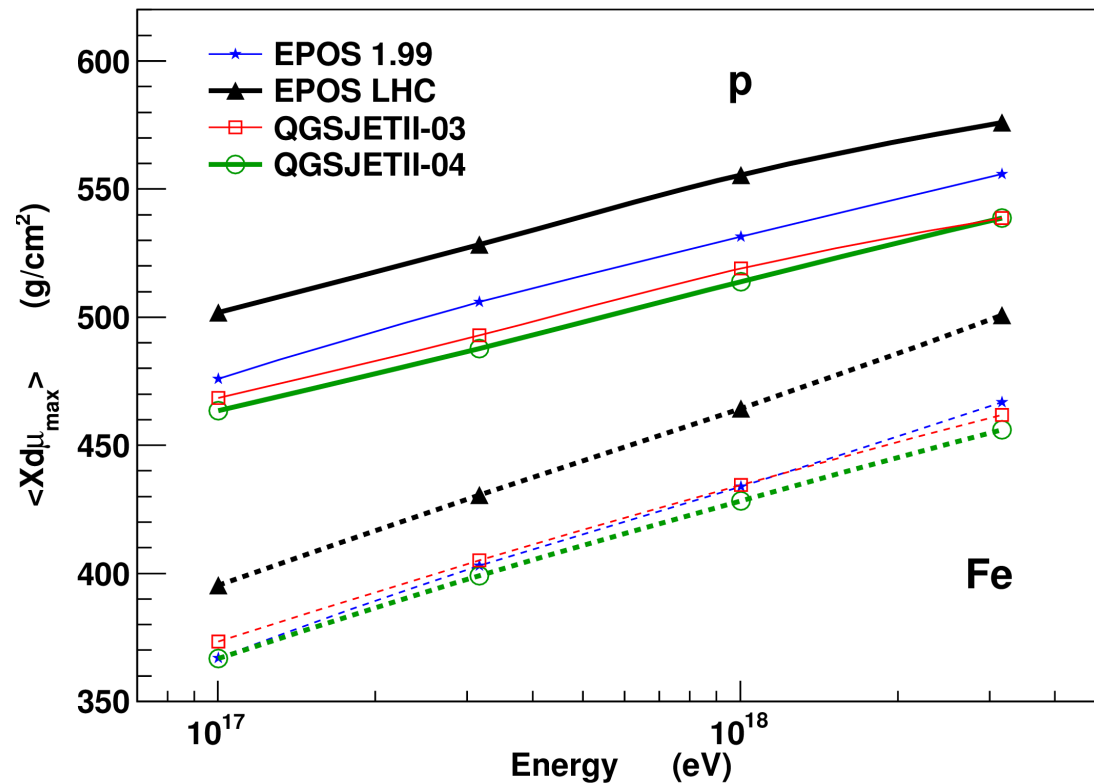
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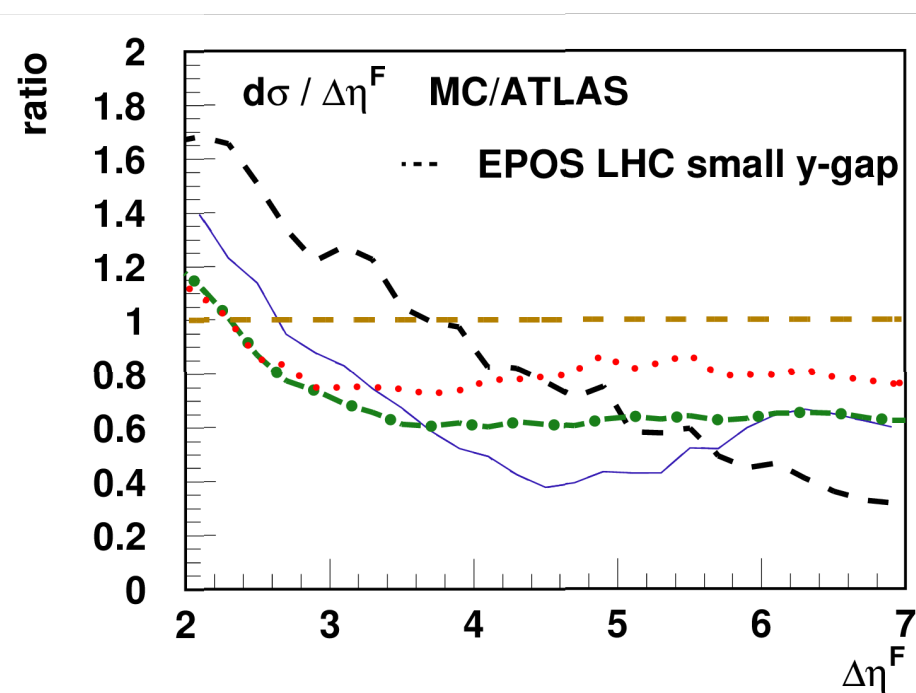
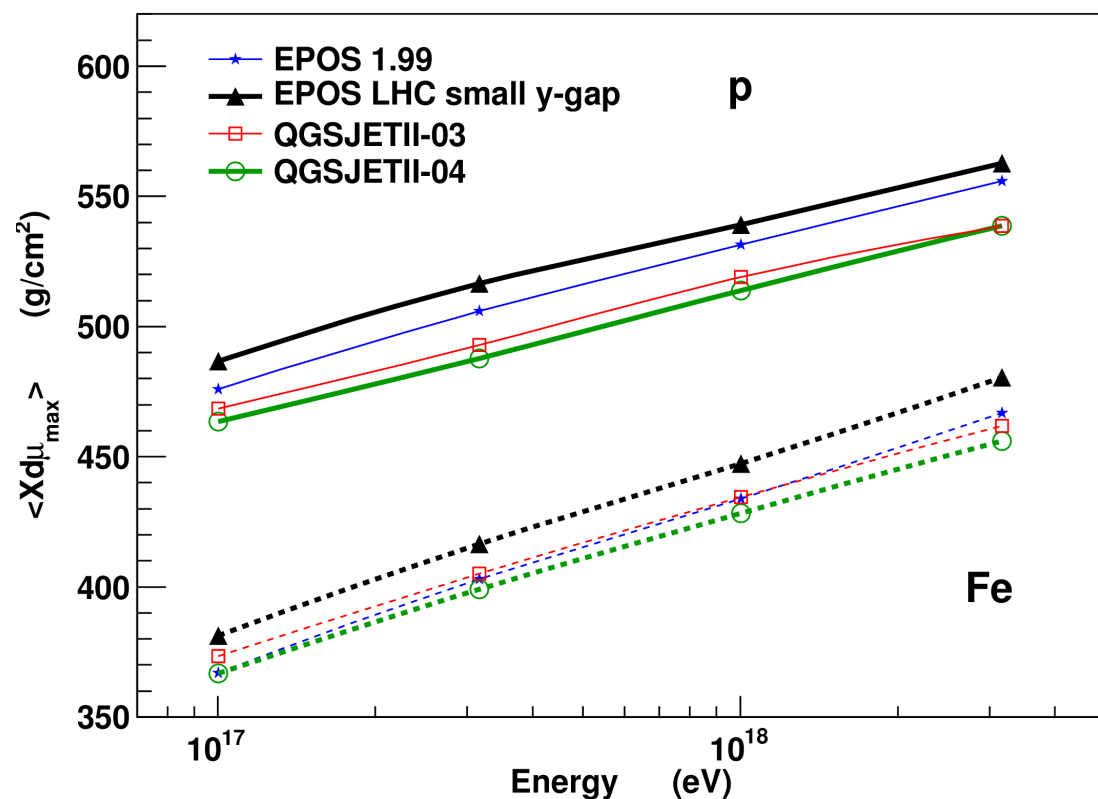
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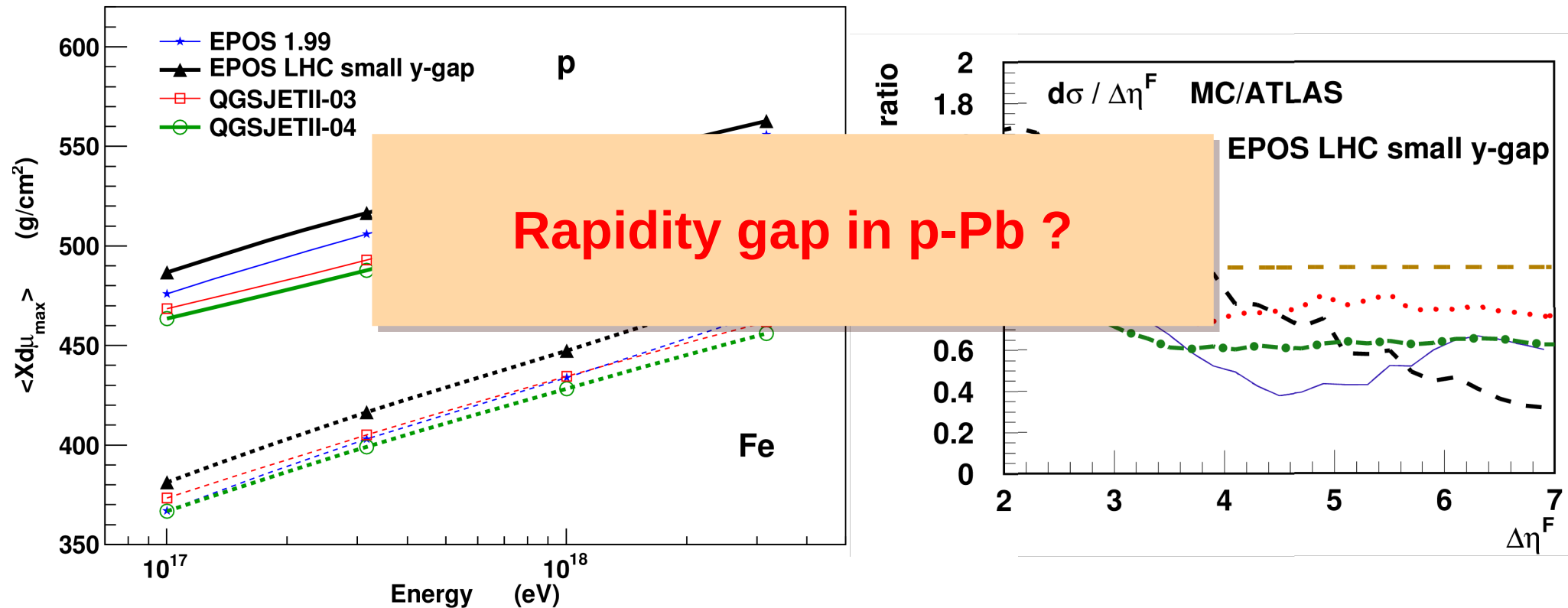


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# Summary

## ● Hadronic interaction models for CR reproduce LHC data in a reasonable way

- ➔ No change of hadronic physics around the knee ( $10^{15}$  eV)
- ➔ Large uncertainties in  $\langle X_{\max} \rangle$  simulations due to hadronic models reduced by precise fit of LHC data to the value of the exp. resolution
  - ➔ Low mass composition UNLIKELY at highest energy (PAO)
- ➔ Muon number converging to high value
  - NA61 will help for precise muon energy spectrum below 100 GeV.
  - LHC energies important for high energy muons and muon production depth
    - ➔ Low mass composition LIKELY at lowest energy (KASCADE)

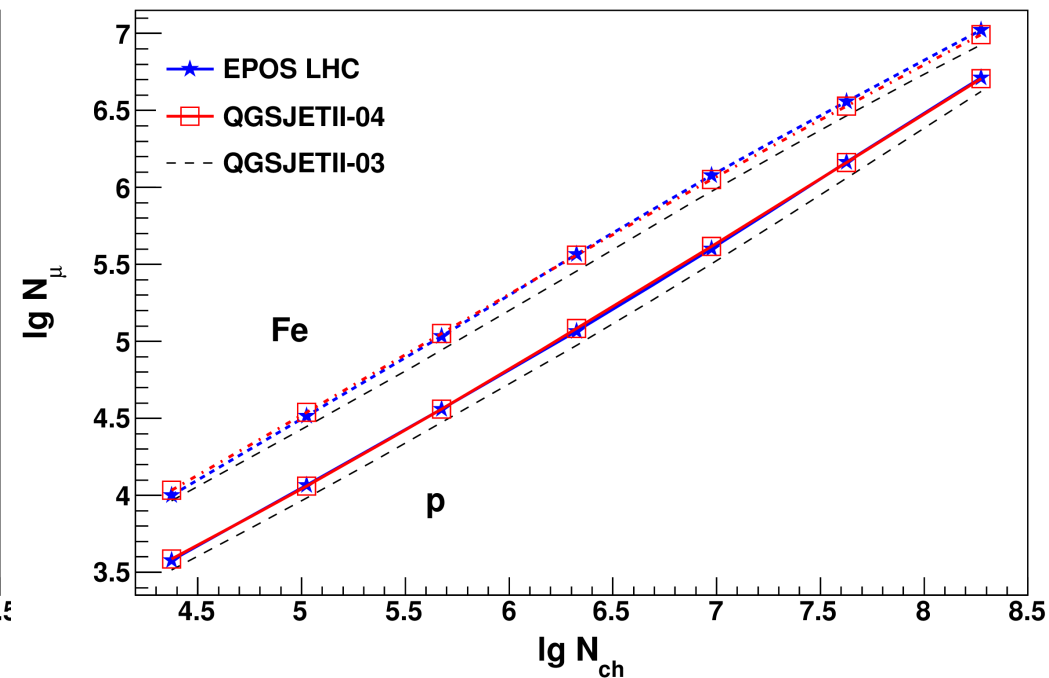
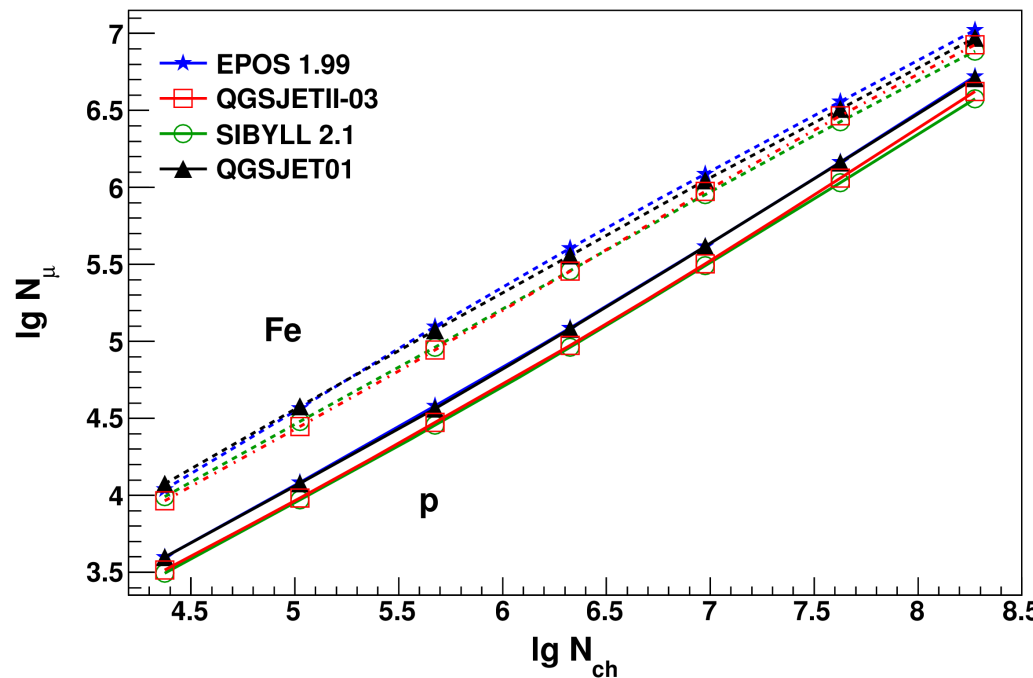
## ● Hadronic interaction models for CR can be re-tuned to LHC data without too many changes

- ➔ Better predictive power than HEP MC models
- ➔ All CR models available with hepMC interface to be compared with LHC !
  - ➔ CR models for LHC

# EAS with Re-tuned CR Models : Correlations

## ● QGSJETII-04 and EPOS LHC similar to EPOS 1.99

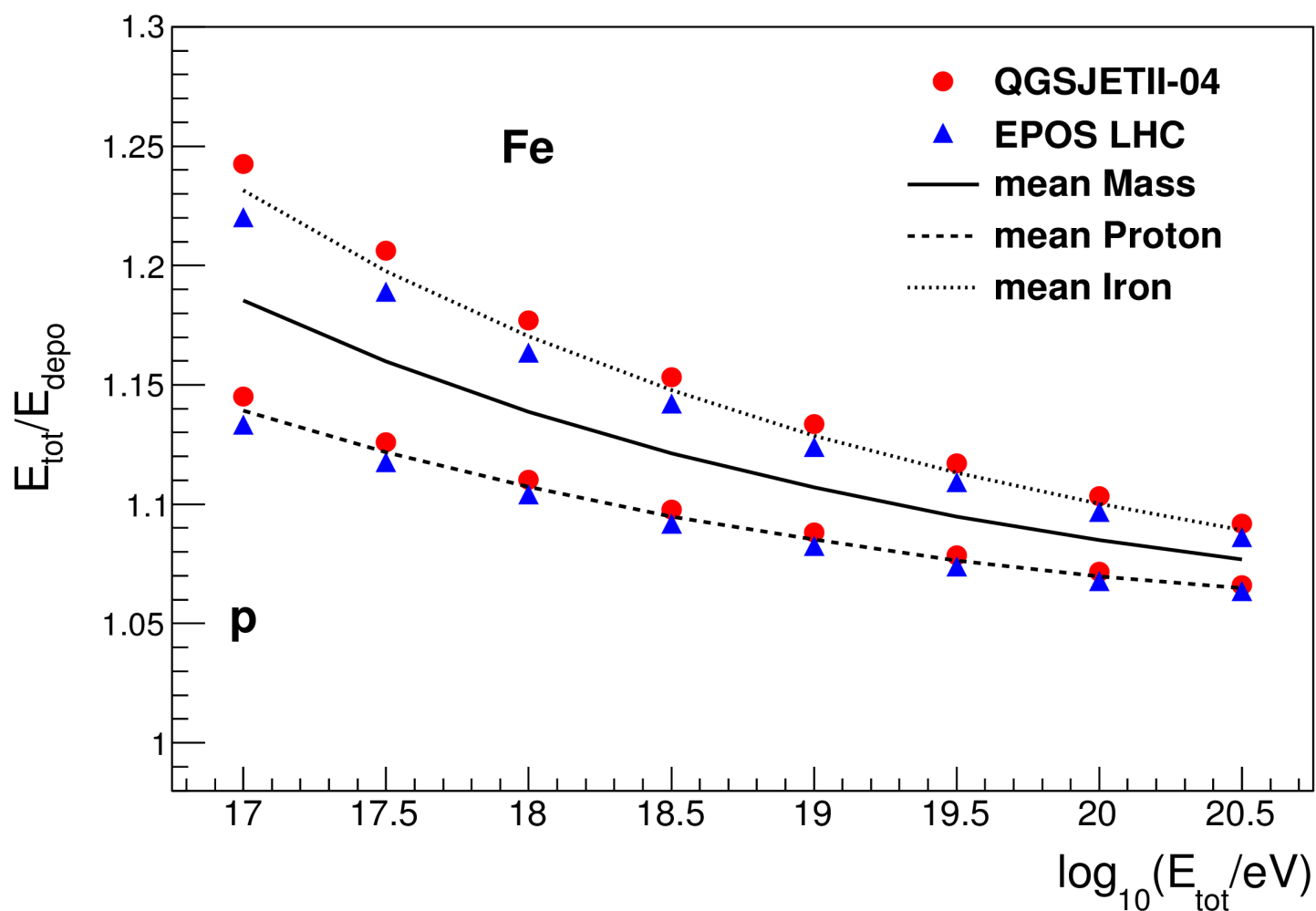
- ➔ More muons AND more electrons in EPOS LHC than in QGSJETII-04
- ➔ More muons and less electrons in QGSJETII-04 than in QGSJETII-03
- ➔ Same correlations in EPOS LHC and QGSJETII-04
- ➔ Lighter composition than with QGSJETII-03



# EAS Energy Deposit

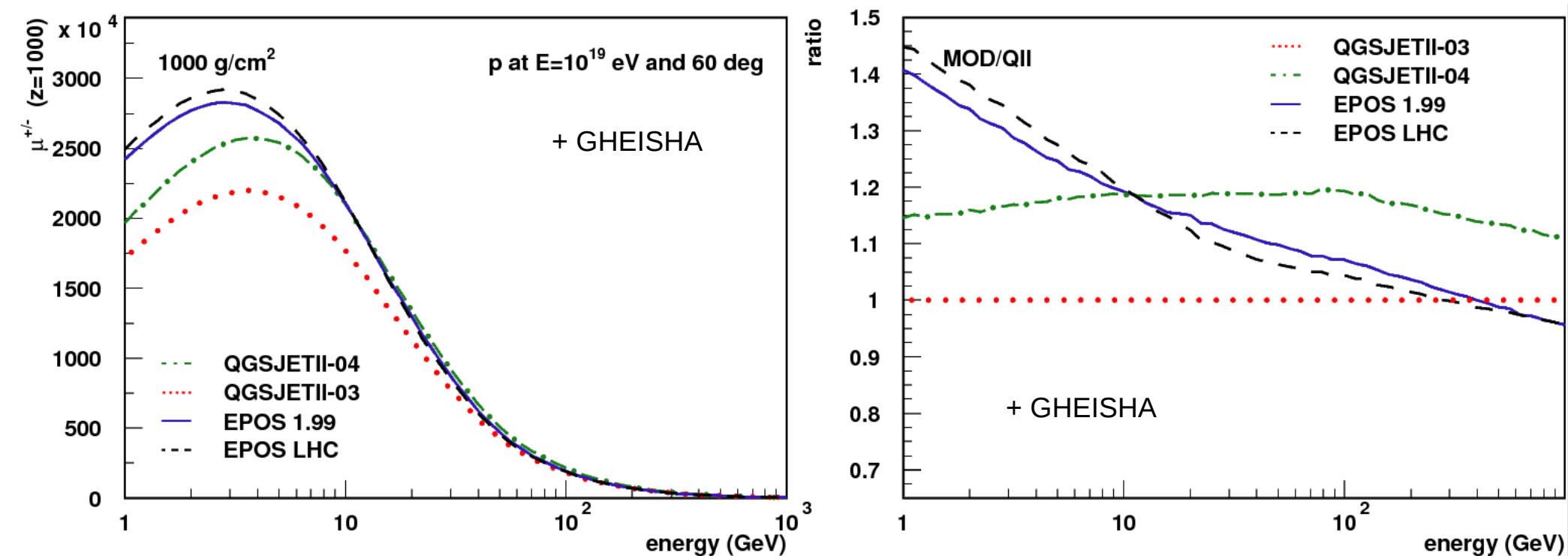
## ● Increase of muons in QII04

➔ larger correction factor from missing energy



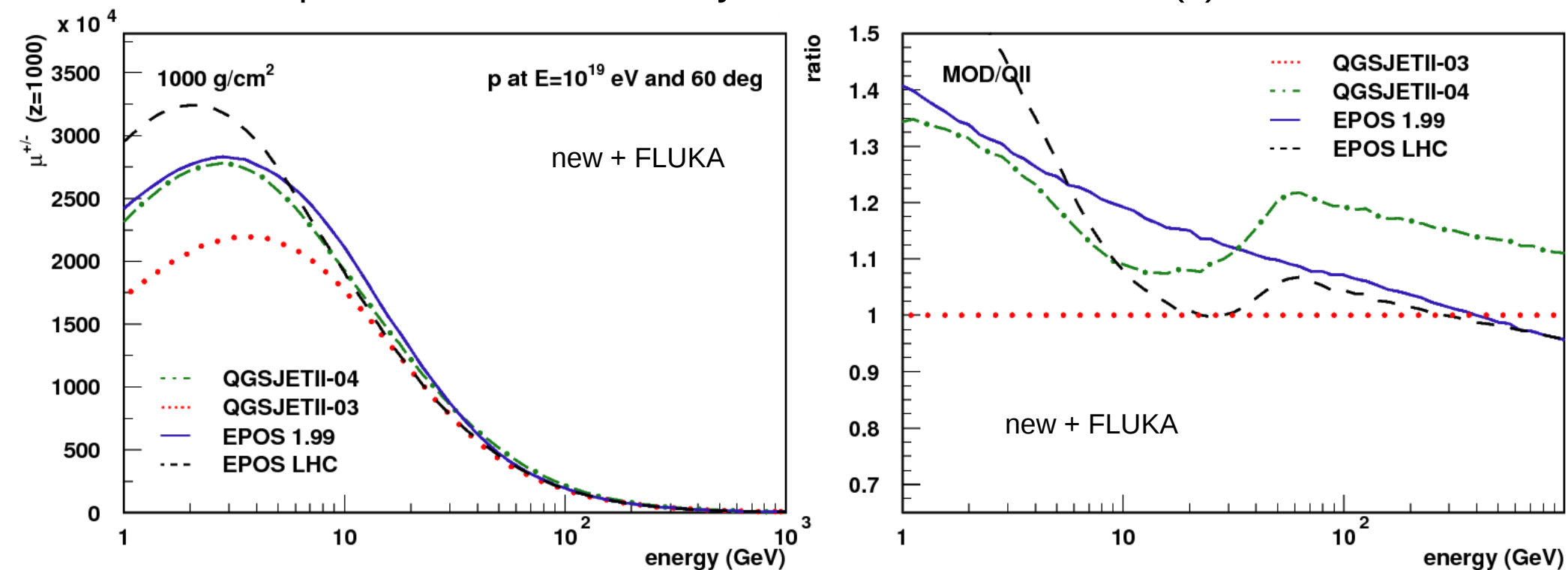
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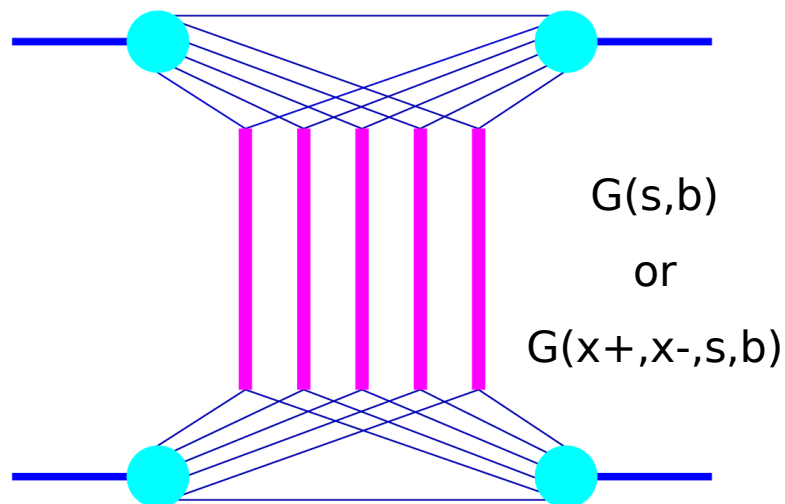


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# Differences between Models



## ● Gribov-Regge and optical theorem

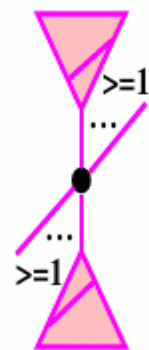
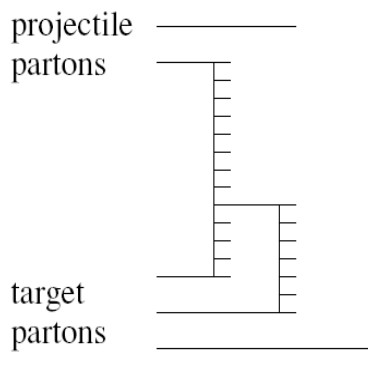
- ➔ Basis of all models (multiple scattering) but
  - Classical approach for QGSJET and SIBYLL (no energy conservation for cross section calculation)
  - ◆ Parton based Gribov-Regge theory for EPOS (**energy conservation at amplitude level**)

## ● pQCD

- ➔ Minijets with cutoff in SIBYLL
- ➔ Same semi-hard Pomeron (**DGLAP convoluted with soft part : not cutoff**) in QGS and EPOS but
  - No enhanced diagram in Q01 (old PDF)
  - ◆ Generalized enhanced diagram in QII
  - ◆ Simplified non linear effect in EPOS
    - Phenomenological approach

EPOS

QGSJET II



# Cross Section Calculation : SIBYLL / QGSJET

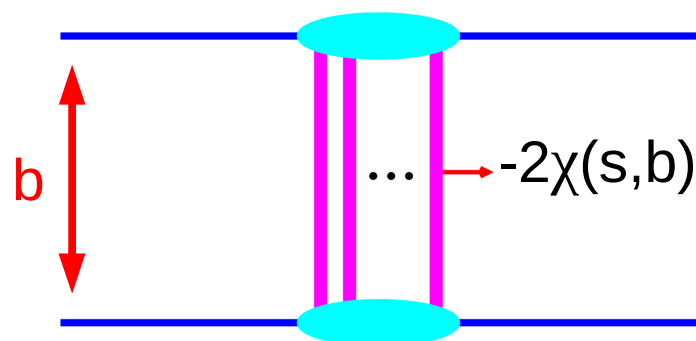
Interaction amplitude given by parameterization (soft) or pQCD (hard) and Gribov-Regge for multiple scattering :

→ elastic amplitude :  $-2\chi(s,b)$

$s = (\text{cms energy})^2$   
 $b = \text{impact parameter}$

→ sum n interactions :

■ optical theorem :  $\frac{(-2\chi)^n}{n!} \rightarrow \exp(-2\chi)$



$$\sigma \sim 1 - \exp(-2\chi)$$

← Not the same  $\chi$  in  
 QGSJET01,  
 QGSJETII and  
 SIBYLL

→  $\chi(s,b)$  parameters for a given model fixed by pp cross-section

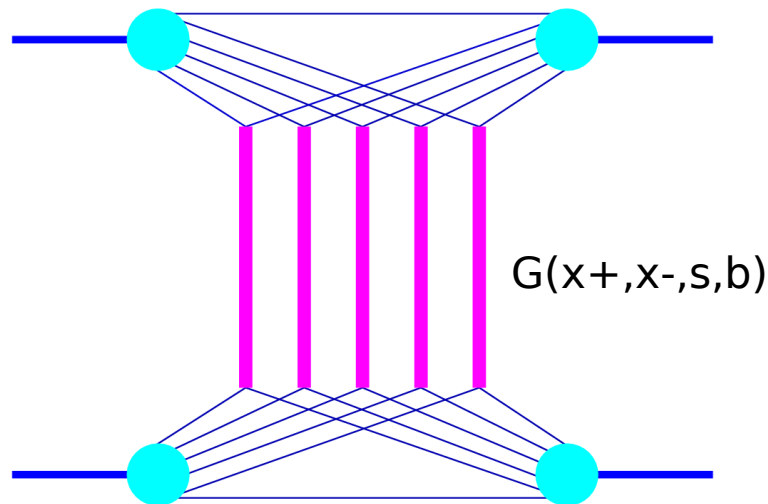
→ pp to pA or AA cross section from Glauber

→ energy conservation not taken into account at this level



# Cross Section Calculation : EPOS

## Different approach in EPOS :



- ➔ Gribov-Regge but with energy sharing at parton level : **MPI with energy conservation !**
- ➔ amplitude parameters fixed from QCD and pp cross section
- ➔ cross section calculation take into account interference term

$$\Phi_{pp}(x^+, x^-, s, b) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \int dx_1^+ dx_1^- \dots dx_l^+ dx_l^- \left\{ \frac{1}{l!} \prod_{\lambda=1}^l -G(x_\lambda^+, x_\lambda^-, s, b) \right\}$$

$$\times F_{\text{proj}}\left(x^+ - \sum x_\lambda^+\right) F_{\text{targ}}\left(x^- - \sum x_\lambda^-\right).$$

$$\sigma_{\text{ine}}(s) = \int d^2b (1 - \Phi_{pp}(1, 1, s, b))$$

- ➔ can not use complex diagram like QII with energy sharing

- ◆ non linear effects taken into account as correction of single amplitude G

# Particle Production in SIBYLL and QGSJET

Number  $n$  of exchanged elementary interaction per event fixed from elastic amplitude (cross section) :

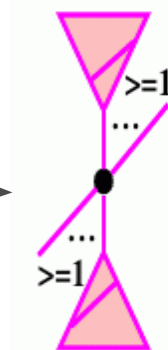
→  $n$  from :

$$P(n) = \frac{(2\chi)^n}{n!} \cdot \exp(-2\chi)$$

- no energy sharing accounted for (interference term)
- $2n$  strings formed from the  $n$  elementary interactions
- in QGSJET II,  $n$  is increased by the sub-diagrams
- energy conservation : energy shared between the  $2n$  strings
- particles from string fragmentation

→ **inconsistency** : energy sharing should be taken into account when fixing  $n$

→ EPOS approach



# Particle Production in EPOS

**m number of exchanged elementary interaction per event fixed from elastic amplitude taking into account energy sharing :**

➔ m from :

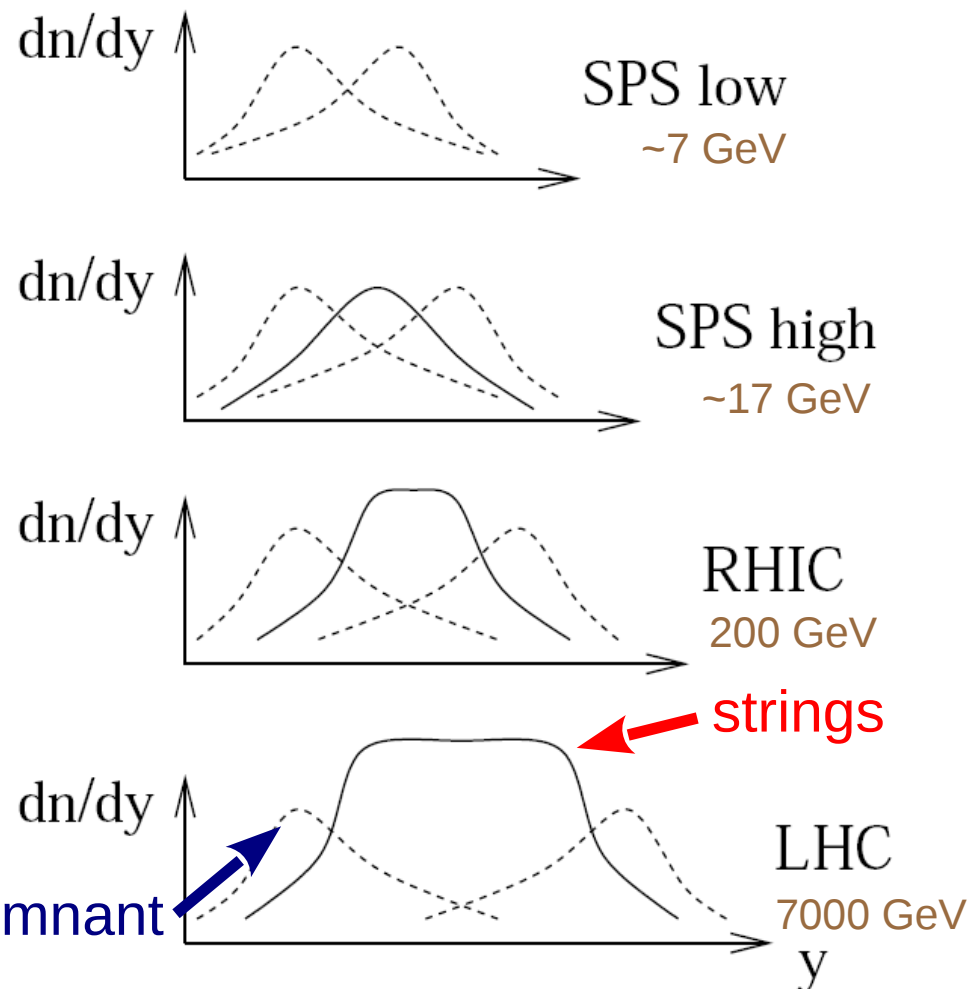
$$\Omega_{AB}^{(s,b)}(m, X^+, X^-) = \prod_{k=1}^{AB} \left\{ \frac{1}{m_k!} \prod_{\mu=1}^{m_k} G(x_{k,\mu}^+, x_{k,\mu}^-, s, b_k) \right\} \Phi_{AB}(x^{\text{proj}}, x^{\text{targ}}, s, b)$$

- m and X fixed together by a complex Metropolis (Markov Chain)
- ➔ 2m strings formed from the m elementary interactions
- **energy conservation** : energy fraction of the 2m strings given by X
- ➔ consistent scheme : energy sharing reduce the probability to have large m
- ➔ modified hadronization due to high density effect
- statistical hadronization instead of string fragmentation
  - ➔ larger Pt (flow)

# Forward Spectra

Forward particles mainly from projectile remnant

The (in)elasticity is closely related to diffraction and forward spectra



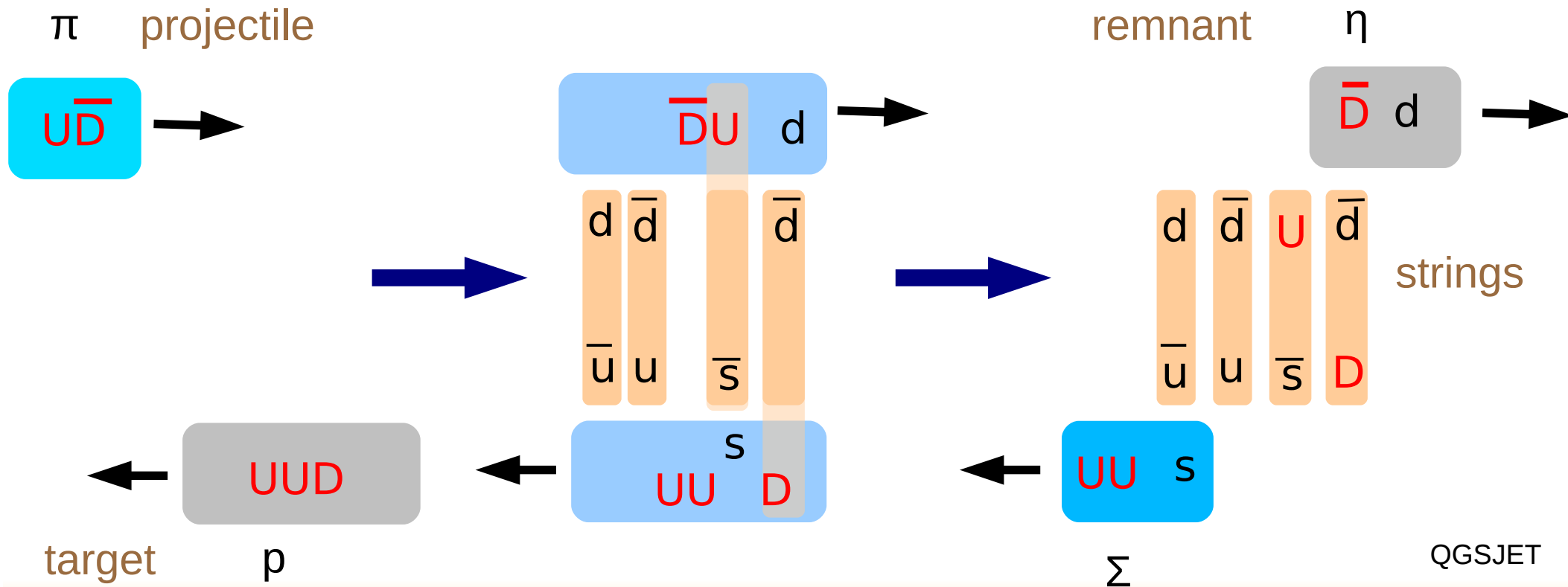
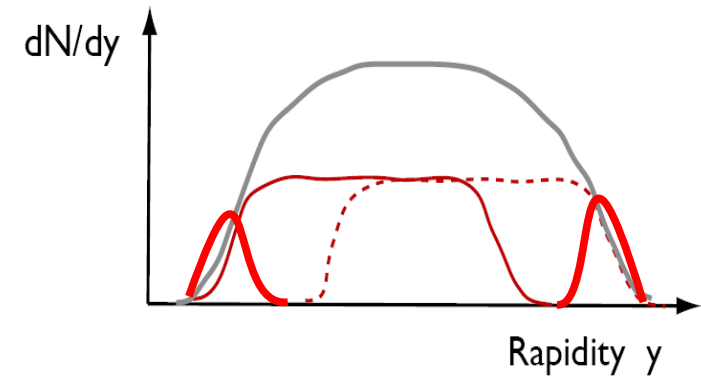
- ➔ At very low energy only particles from remnants
- ➔ At low energy (fixed target experiments) (SPS) strong mixing
- ➔ At intermediate energy (RHIC) mainly string contribution at mid-rapidity with tail of remnants.
- ➔ At high energy (LHC) only strings at mid-rapidity (baryon free)

Different contributions of particle production at different energies or rapidities

# Beam Remnants

## Forward particle production dominated by beam remnants

- ➔ No strong theory
- ➔ Each model has its own approach
- ➔ Can be tested at low energy



# Baryons and Remnants

## Parton ladder string ends :

➔ Problem of multi-strange baryons at low energy (Bleicher et al., Phys.Rev.Lett.88:202501,2002)

◆ 2 strings approach :

➔  $\Omega / \Omega$  always  $> 1$   $\bar{\quad}$

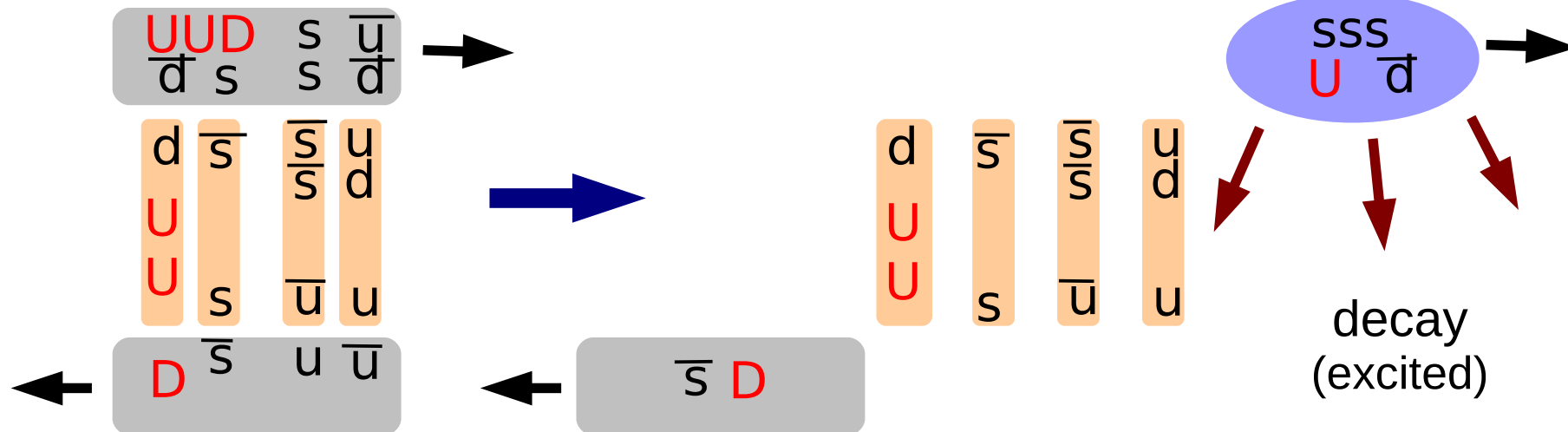
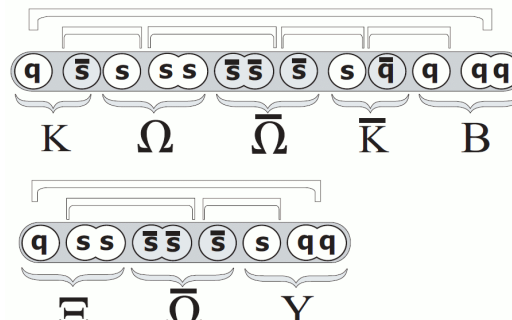
➔ But data  $< 1$  (Na49)

➔ EPOS

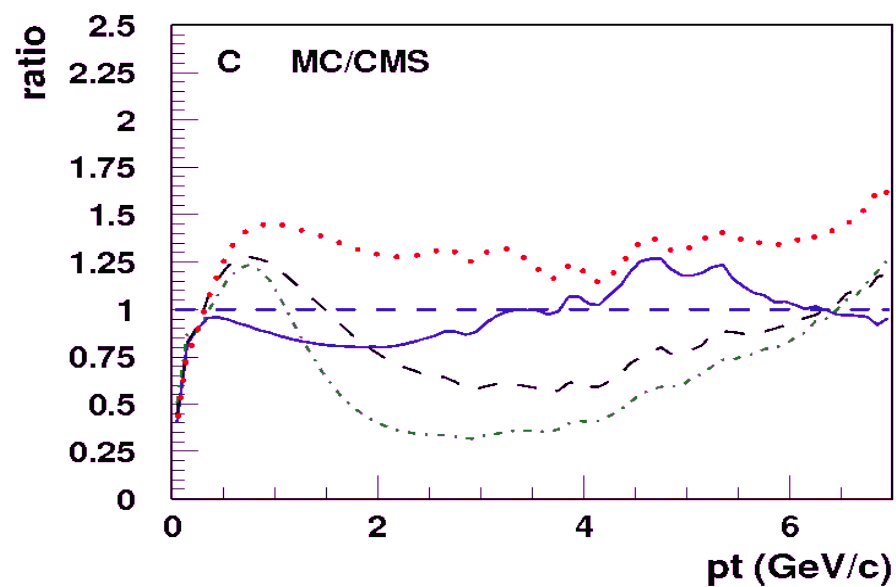
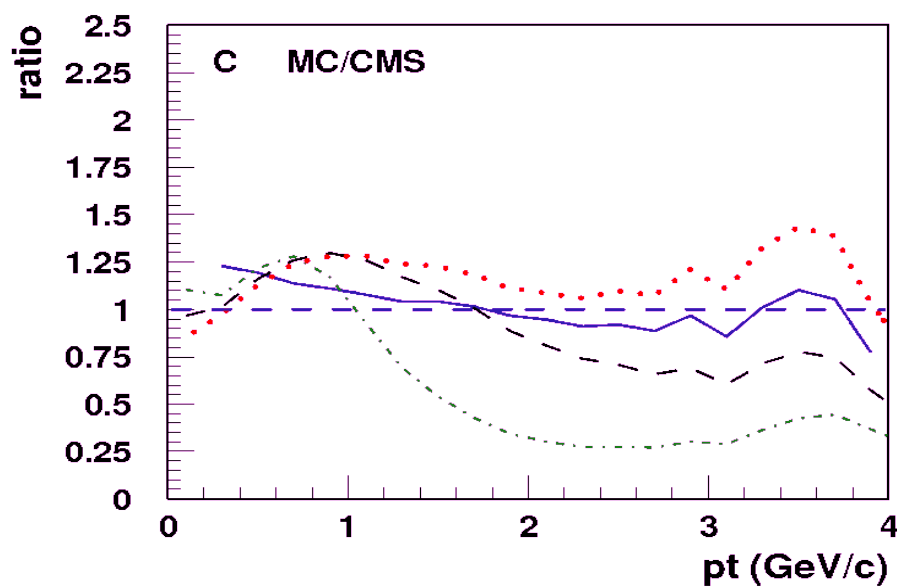
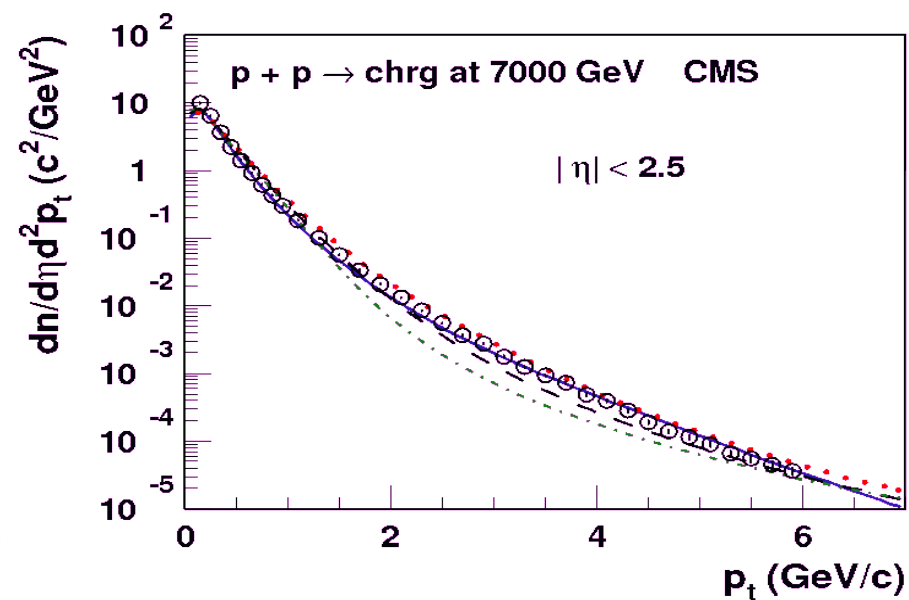
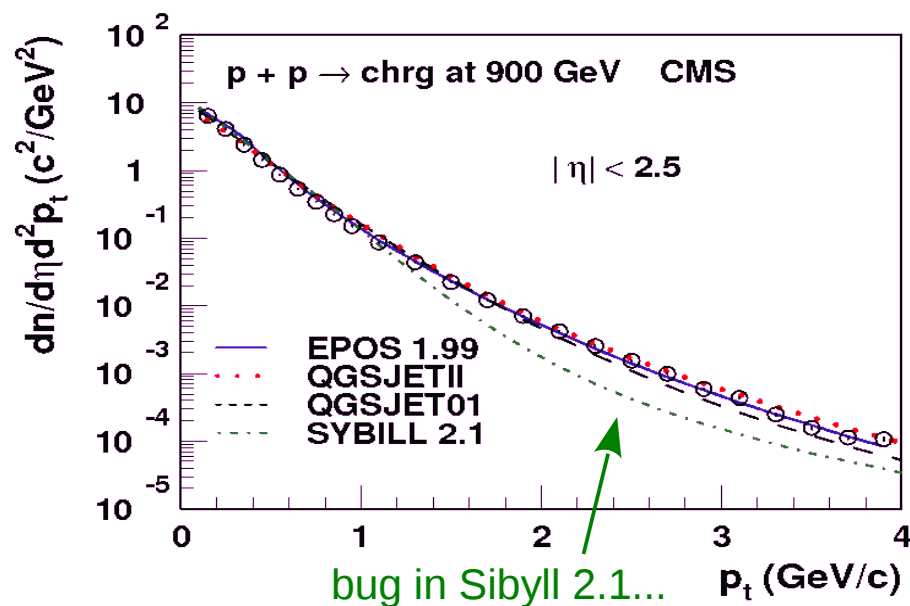
◆ No “first string” with valence quarks : all strings equivalent

◆ Wide range of excited remnants (from light resonances to heavy quark-bag)

➔  $\Omega / \Omega$  always  $< 1$   $\bar{\quad}$



## Pt @ LHC



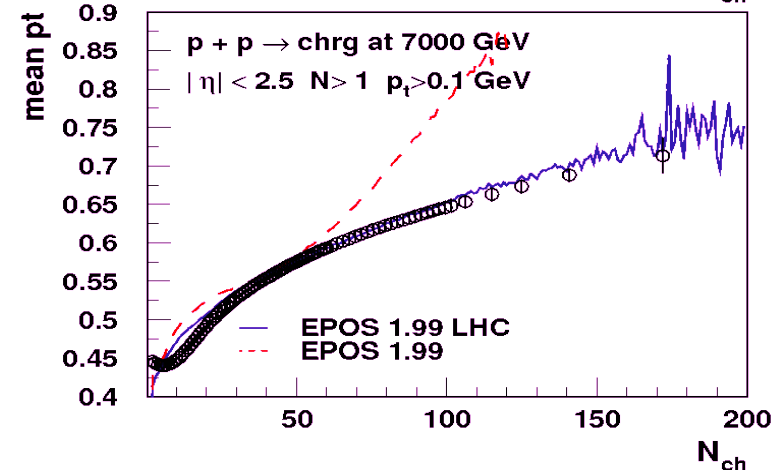
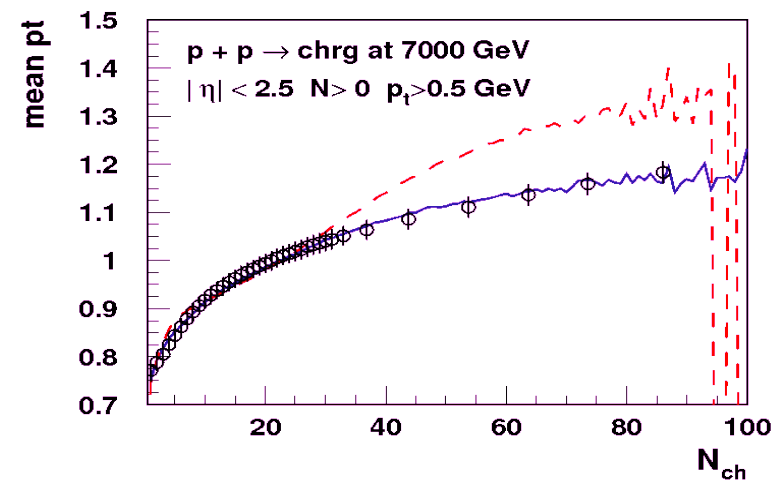
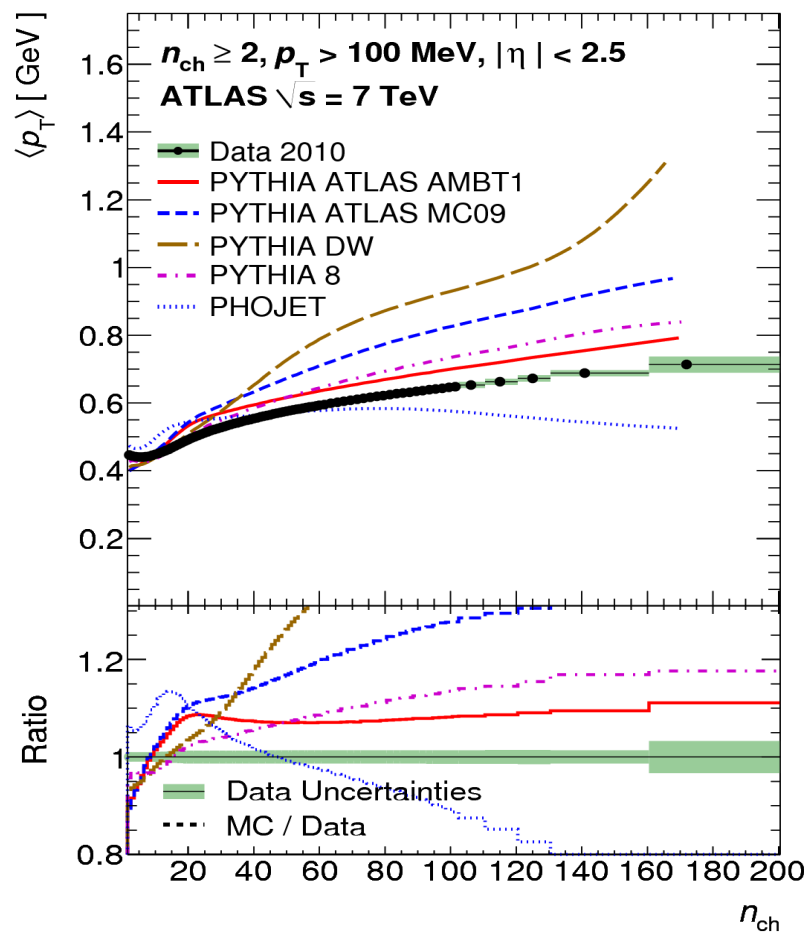
# EPOS LHC

## ● Detailed description can be achieved

➔ better than HEP MC used by LHC collaborations

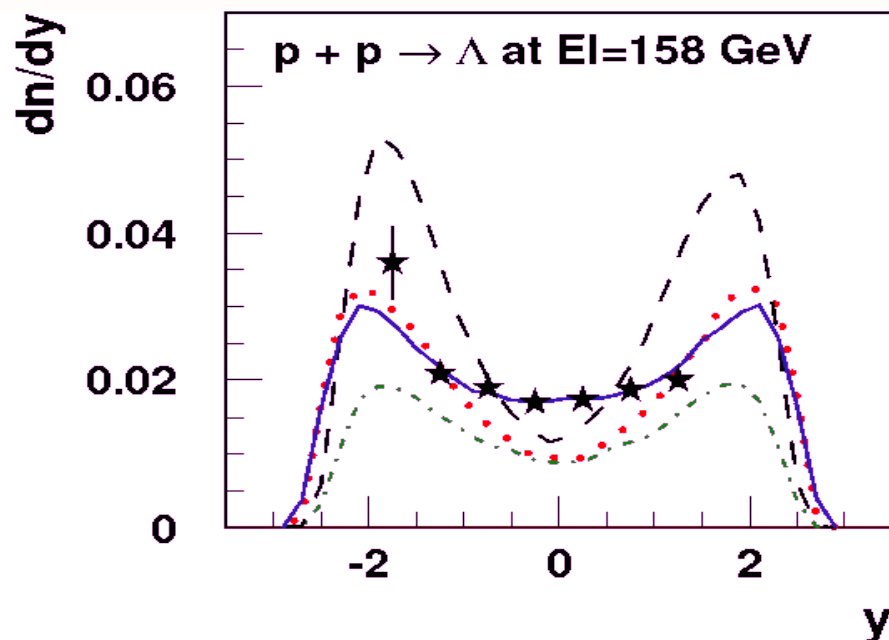
➔ can be used as min bias generator at LHC

■ not suitable for rare events (high  $p_t$  jets or electroweak)

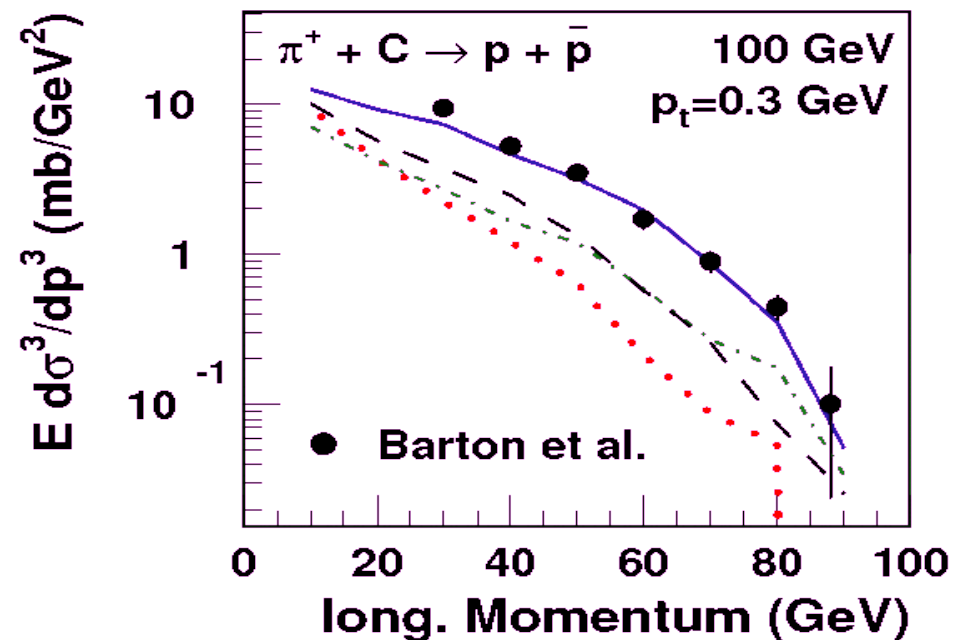
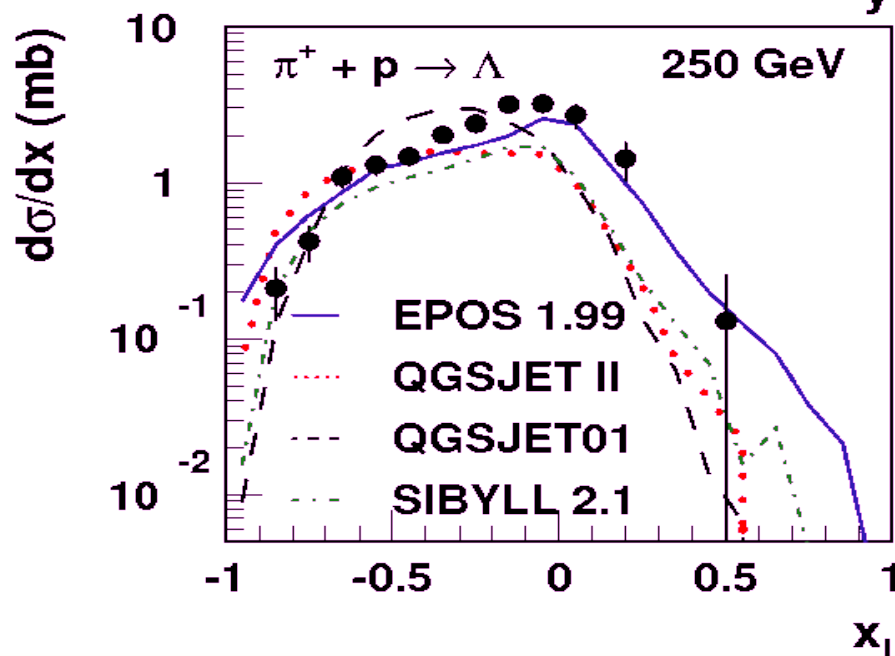




# Baryon Forward Spectra



- ➔ Large differences between models
- ➔ Need a new remnant approach for a complete description (EPOS)
- ➔ Problems even at low energy
- ➔ No measurement at high energy !



# Basic Observables

## ● Pseudorapidity

→ emission angle of a particle from interaction point (“mid-rapidity” :  $\eta=0$ ) :

$$\eta = -\ln \left[ \tan \left( \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \right] \quad \eta = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{|\mathbf{p}| + p_L}{|\mathbf{p}| - p_L} \right)$$

→ when the mass of the particle is known the **rapidity** is used :

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{E + p_L}{E - p_L} \right)$$

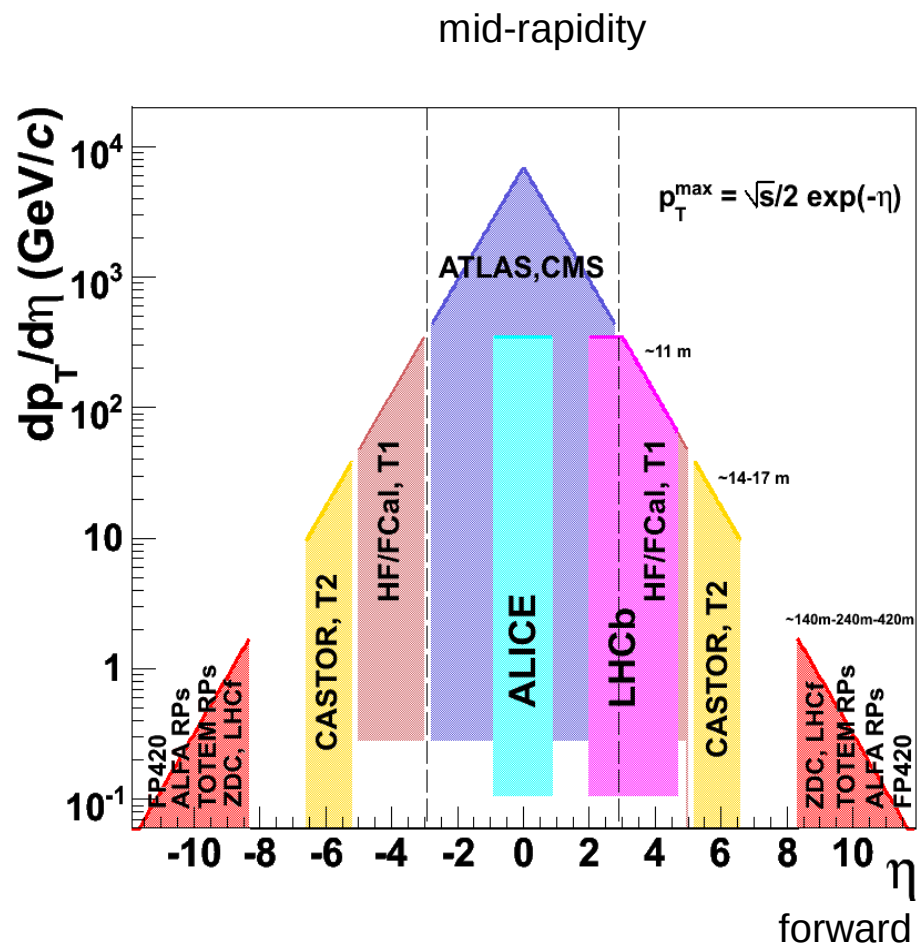
→ for EAS development, “forward” particles (with large  $\eta$ ) are most important

## ● Transverse momentum

→  $p_t = \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2}$

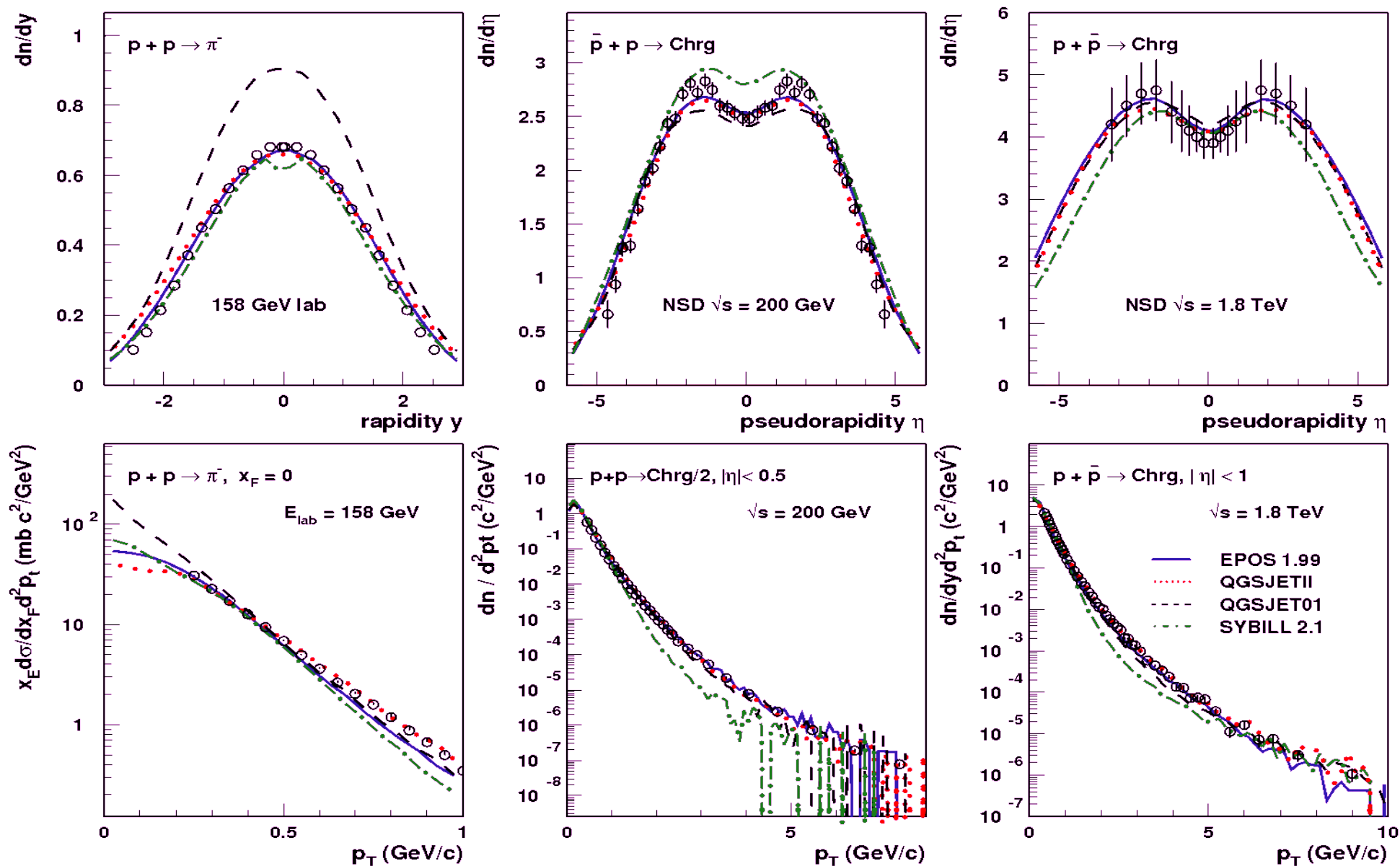
## ● Multiplicity

→ number of particles in a given  $\eta$  and  $p_t$  range

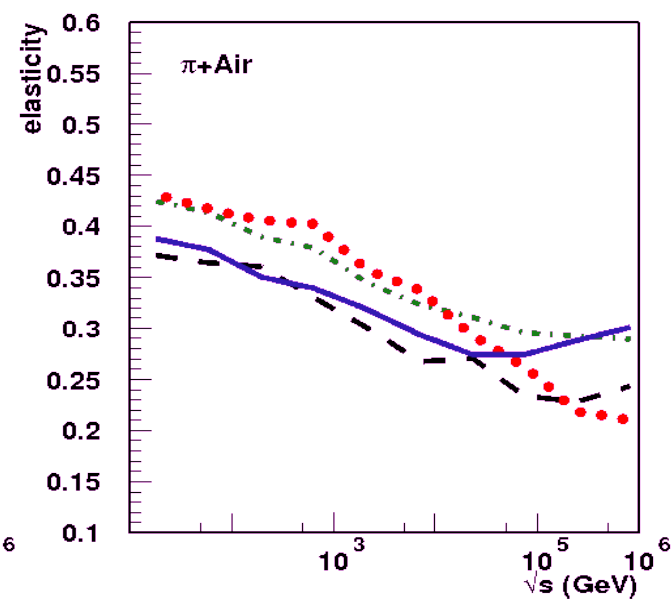
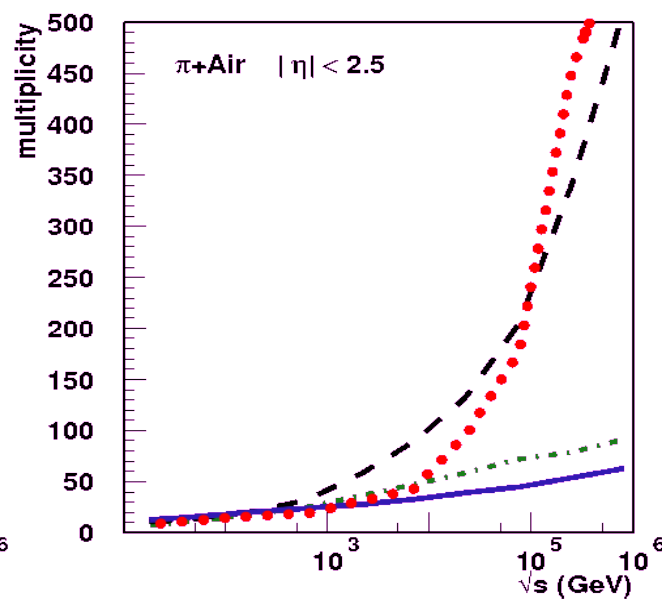
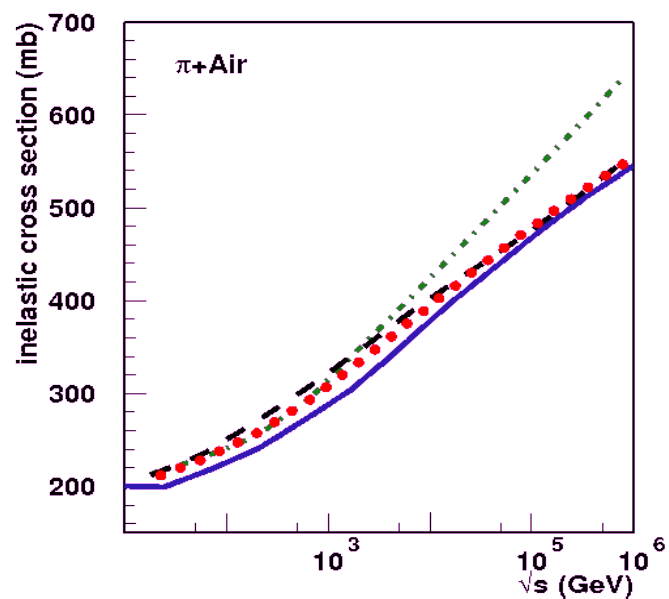
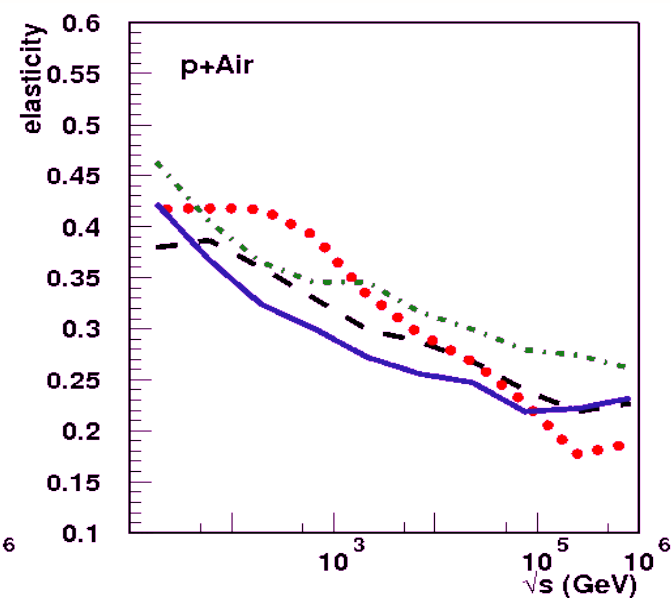
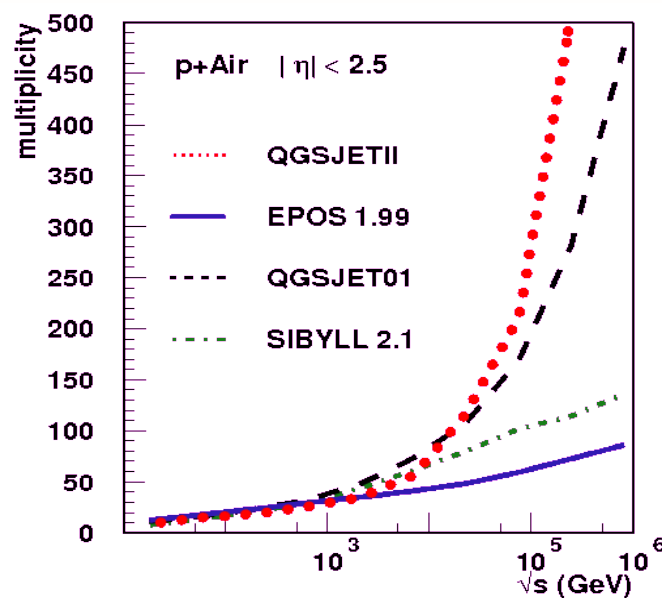
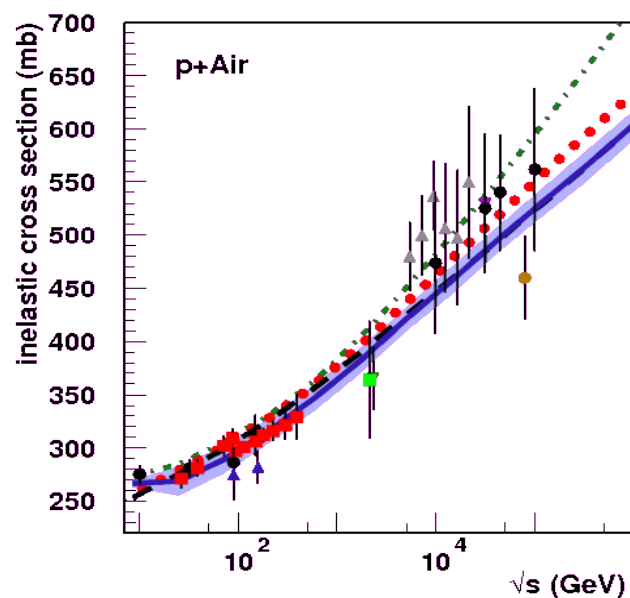


LHC : First hadron collider with full coverage.

# Pseudorapidity and $p_T$

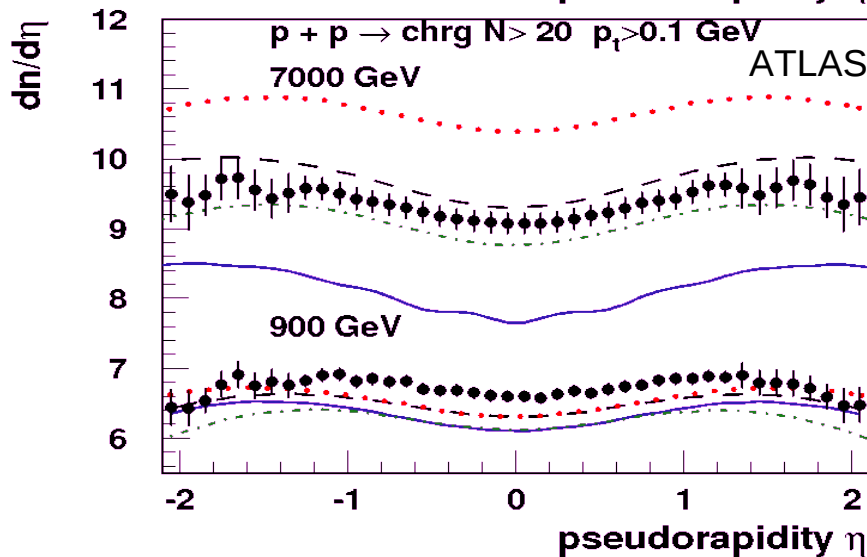
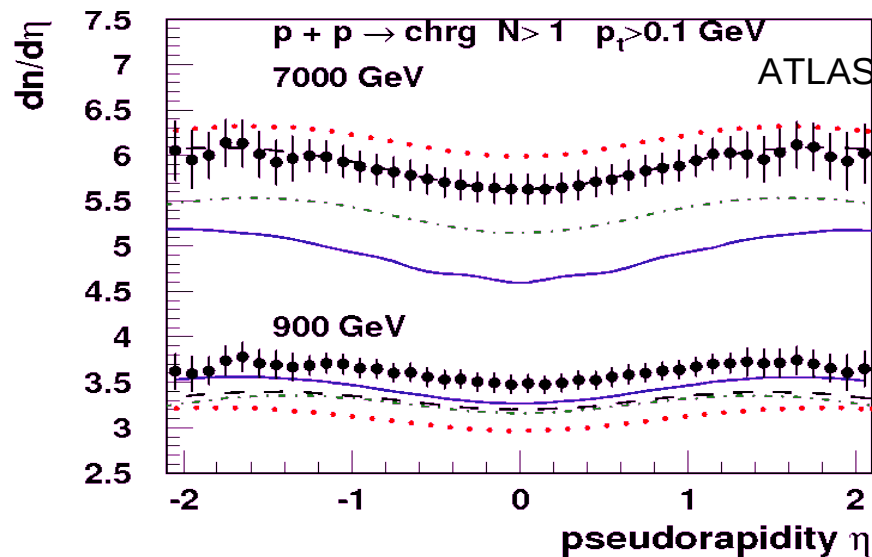
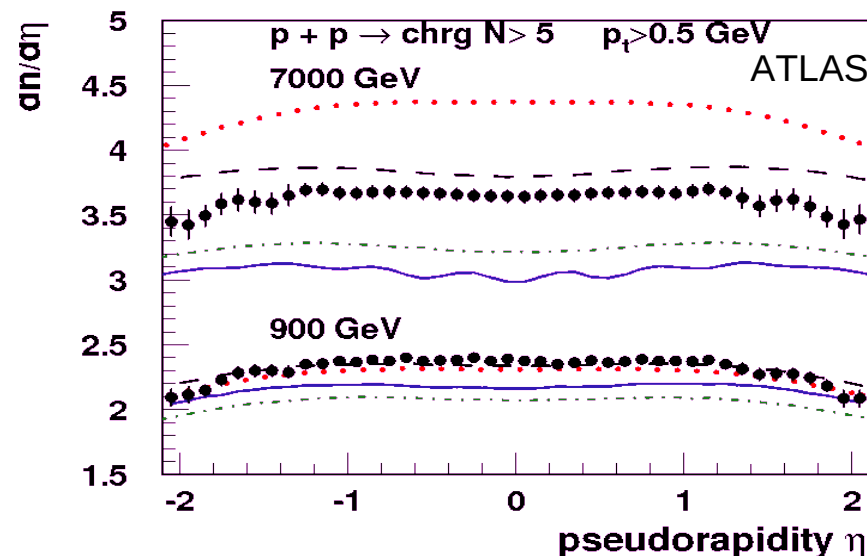
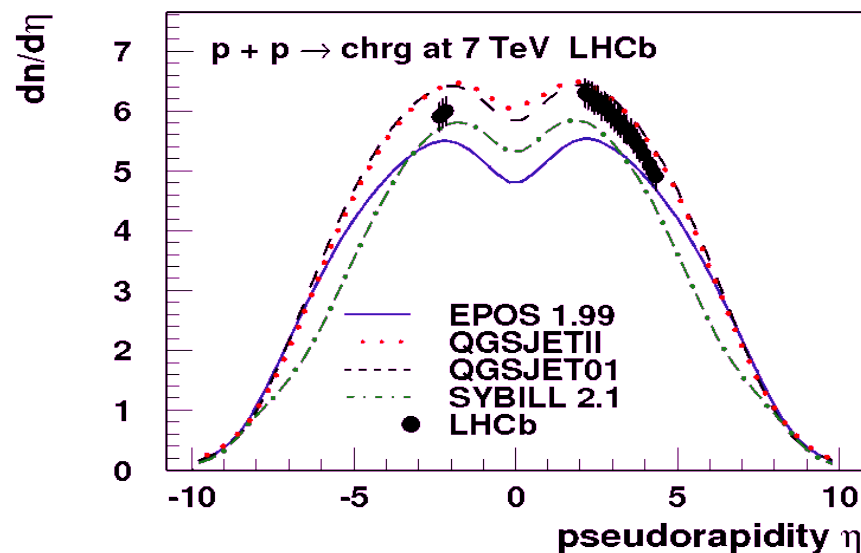


# Ultra-High Energy Hadronic Model Predictions



# Pseudorapidity Distributions

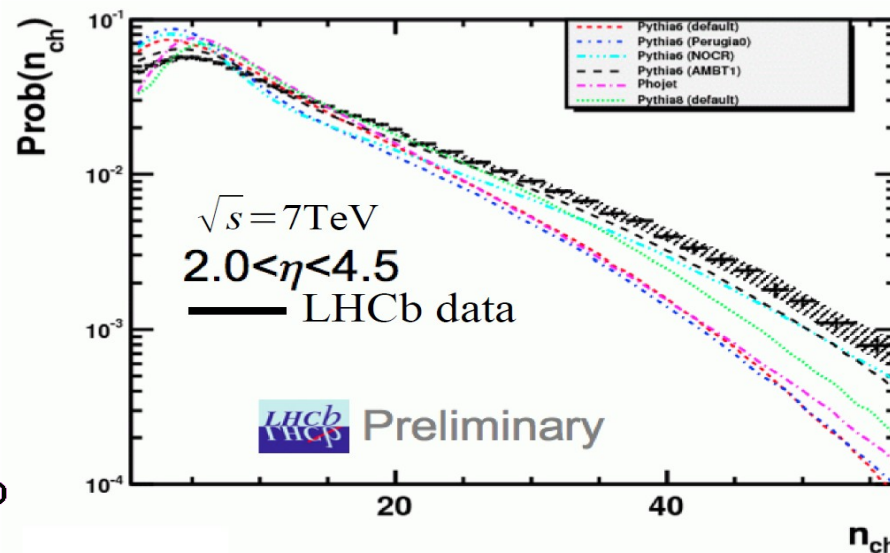
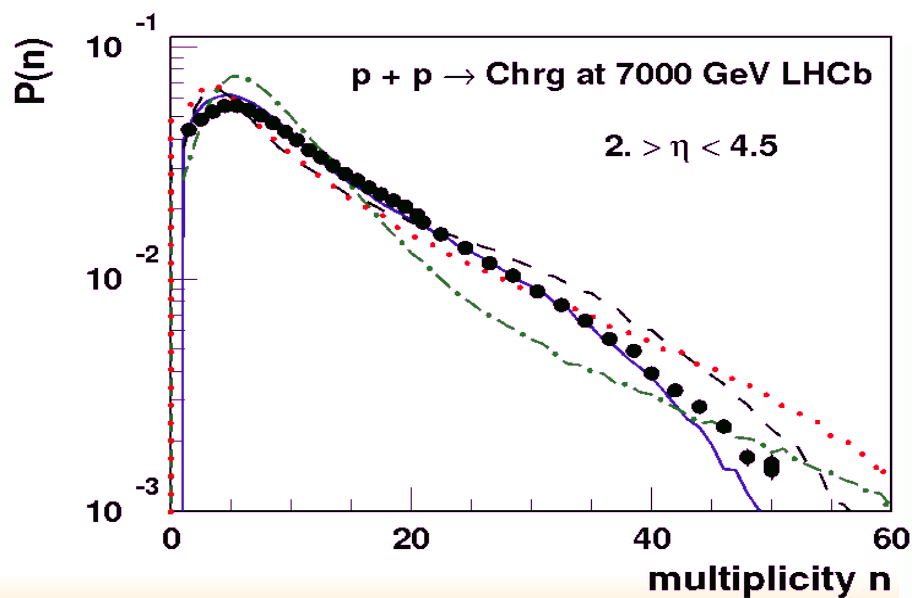
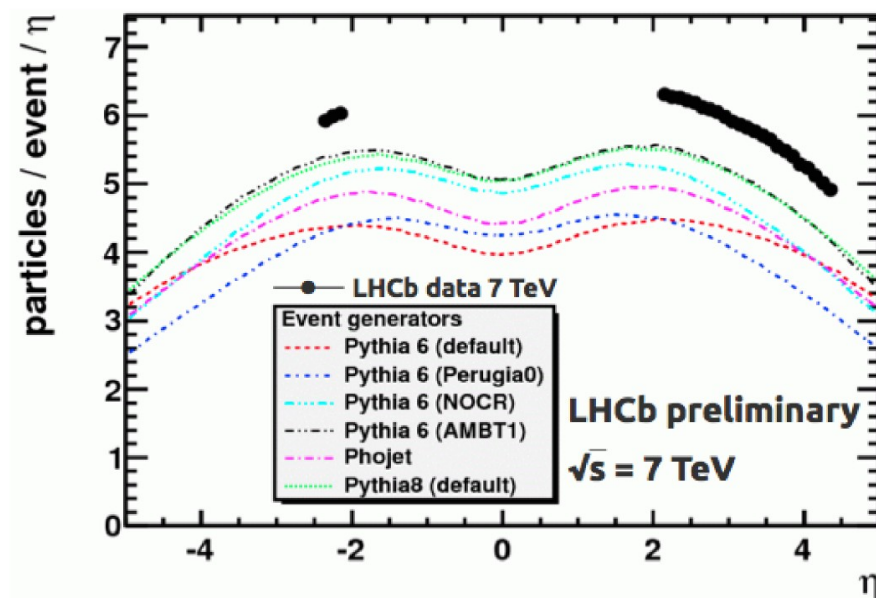
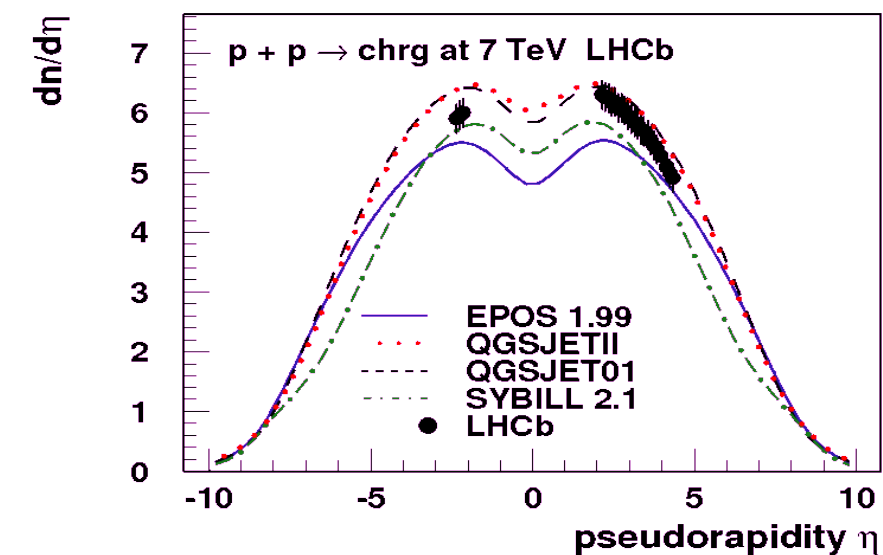
- No model with perfect prediction : **but data well bracketed**



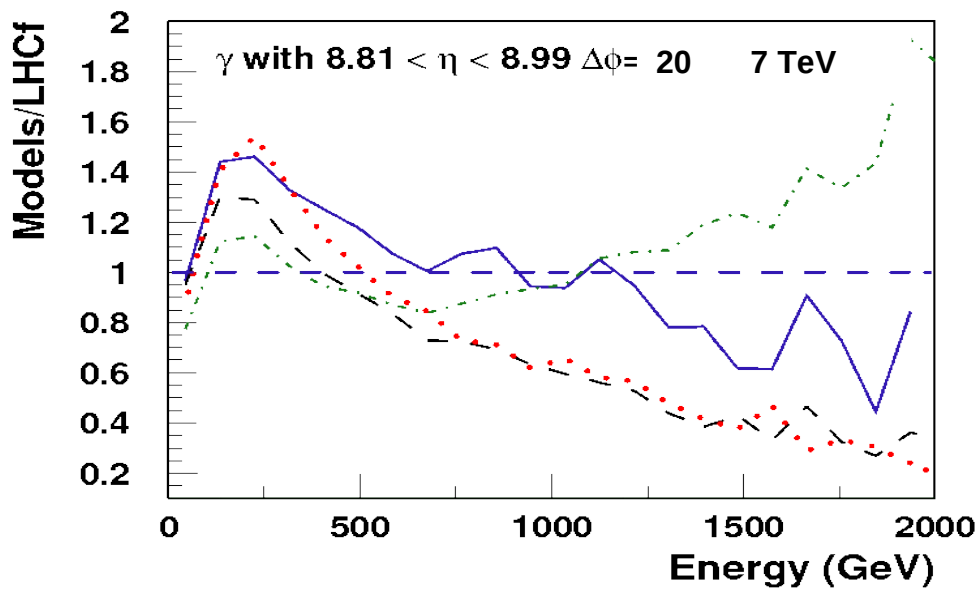
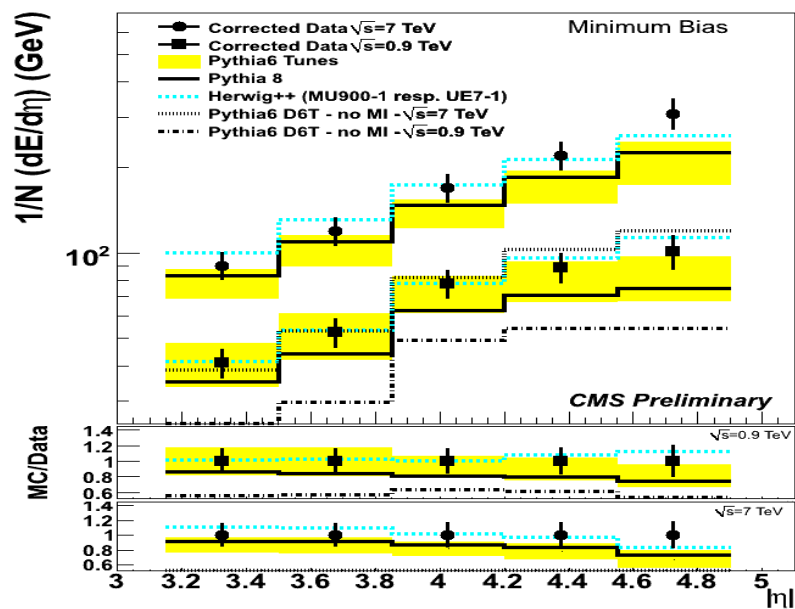
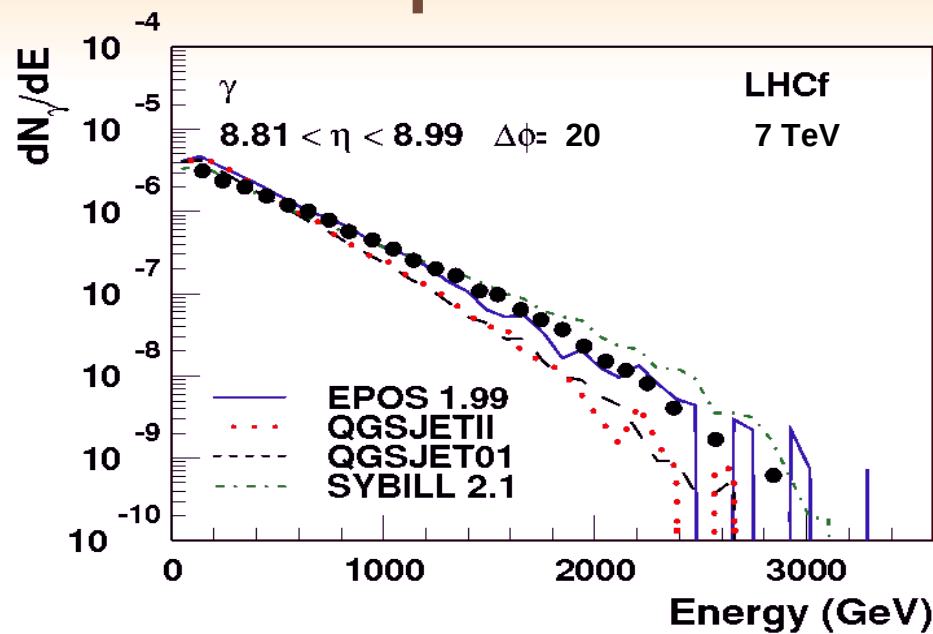
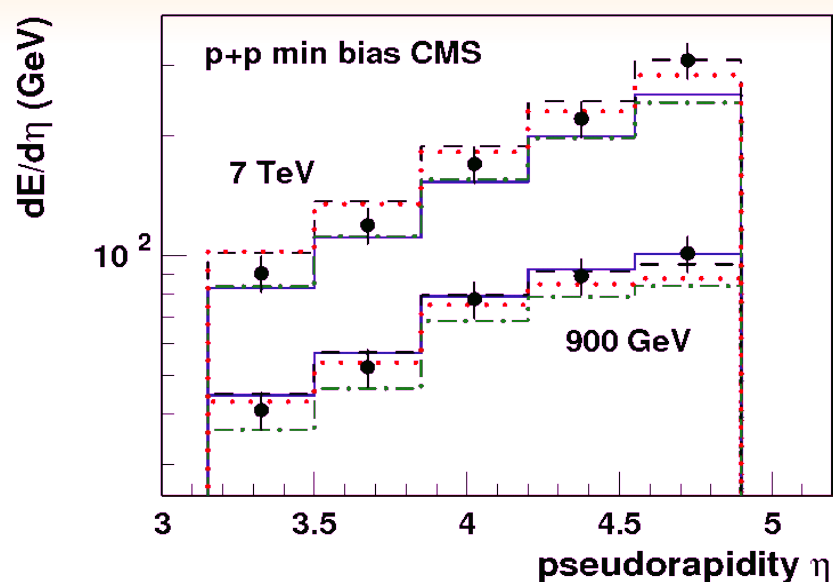
Predictions ! ... newest model released in march 2009

# Pseudorapidity Distributions

- No model with perfect prediction : **but better than HEP MC**



# CMS and LHCf Forward Spectra

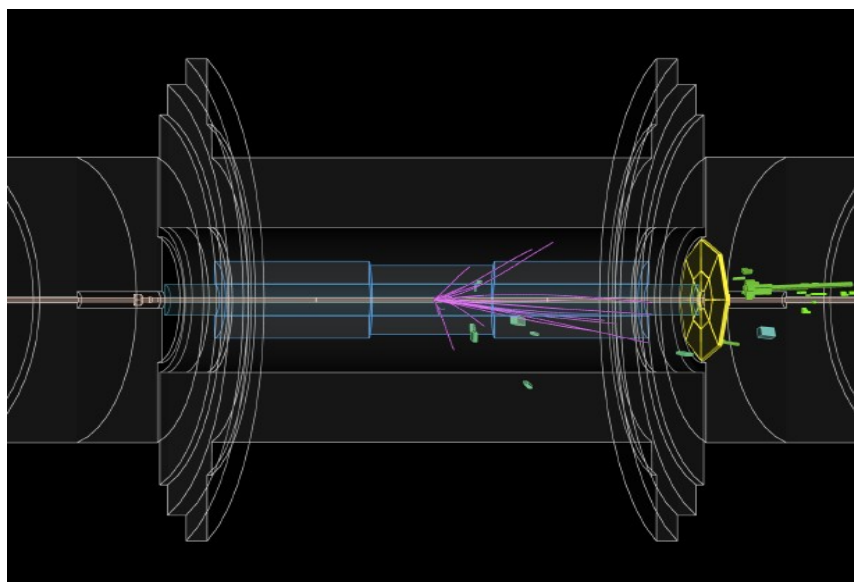


● Forward calorimeter → better than HEP models



# Rapidity Gap

ATLAS detector



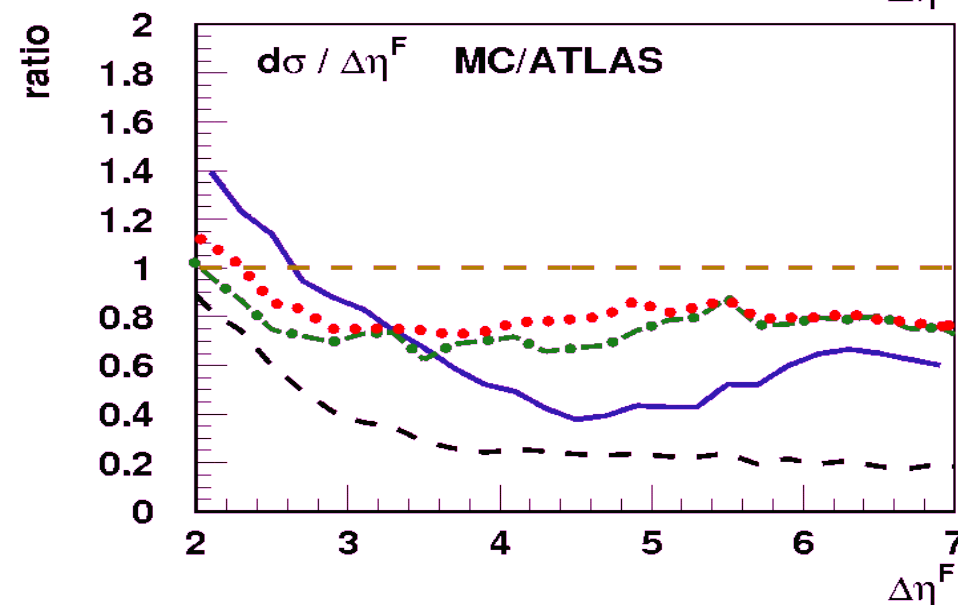
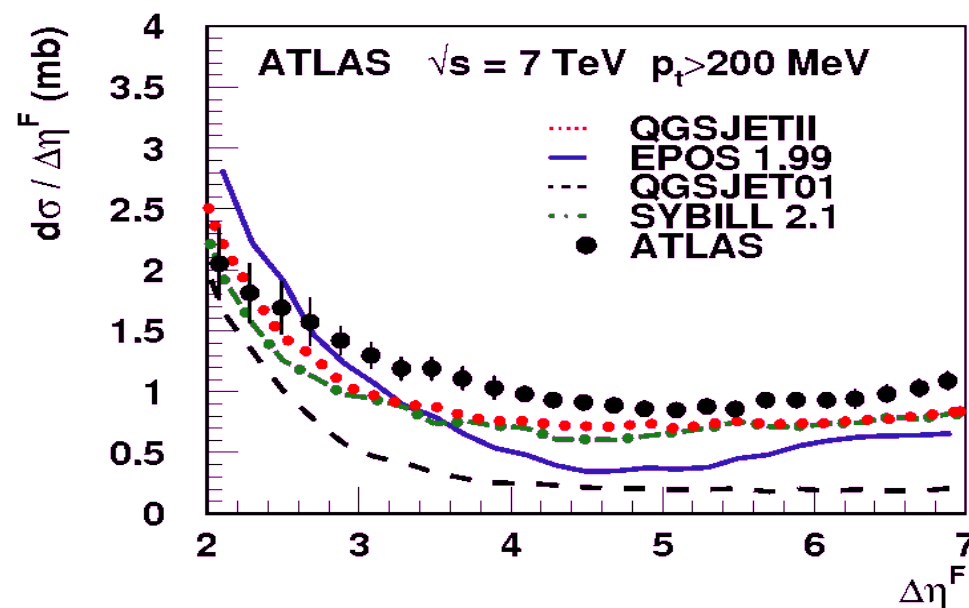
ATLAS Collaboration

- **Rapidity gap closely related to diffraction**

- ➔ diffractive cross-section
- ➔ AND diffractive mass distribution

- **Hard constraint for CR**

- ➔ change elasticity



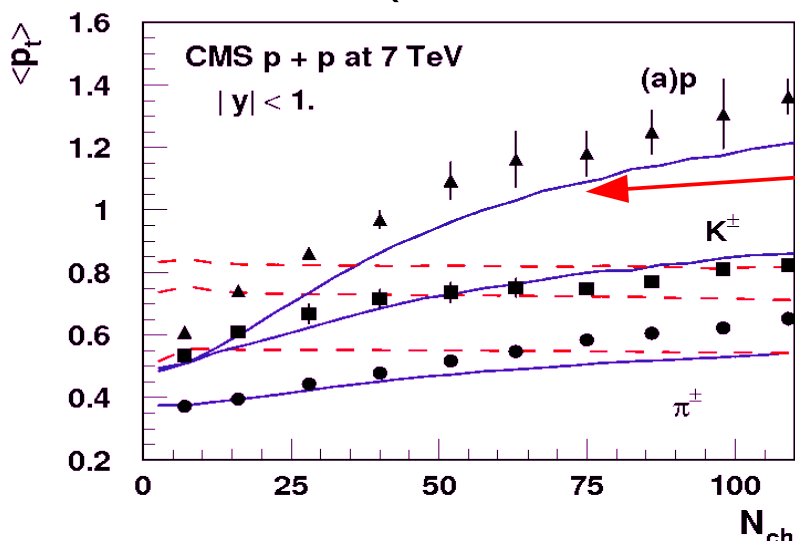
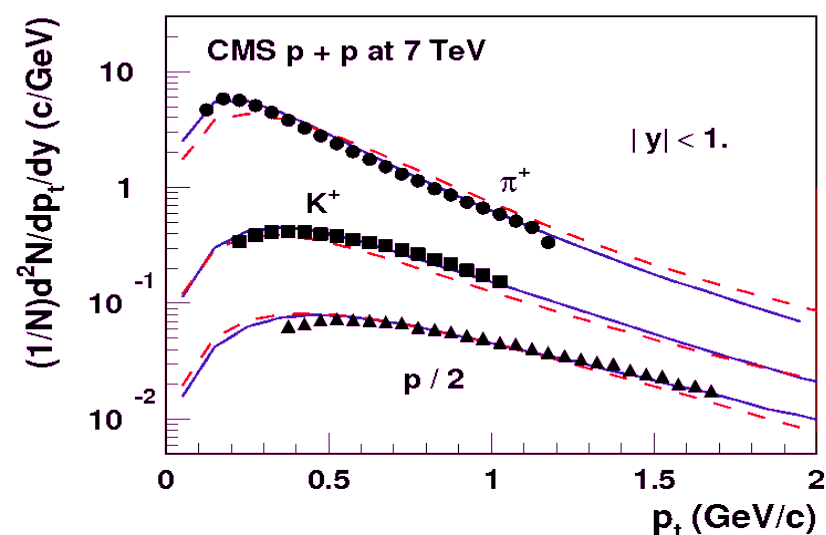


# Identified Particle Spectra

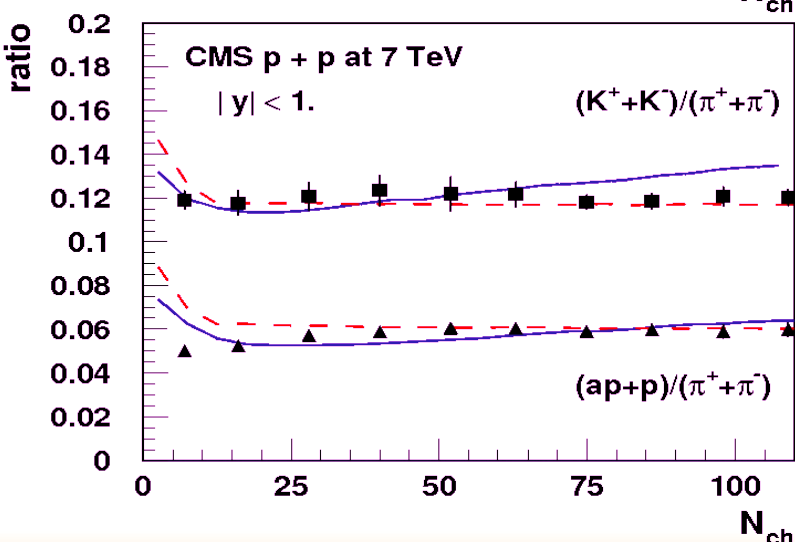
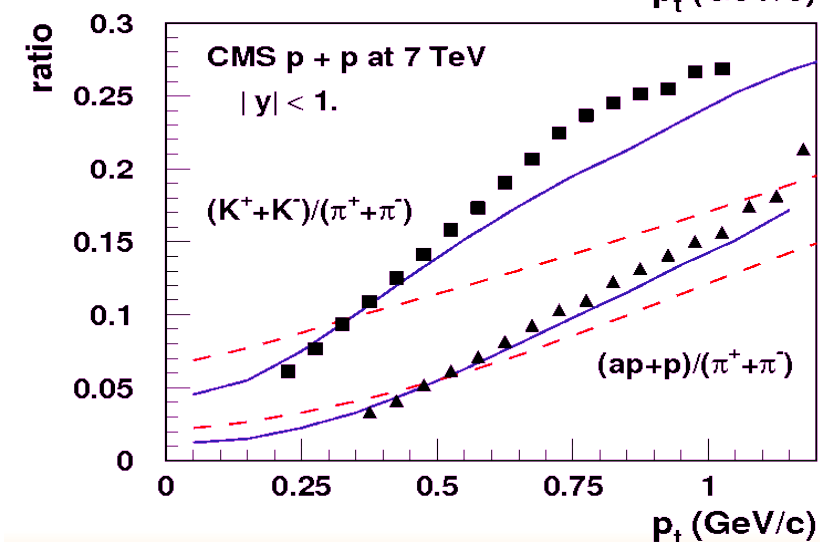
● Detailed description can be achieved (tested by ATLAS for publications)

➔ identified spectra

➔  $p_t$  behavior driven by collective effects (statistical hadronization + flow)



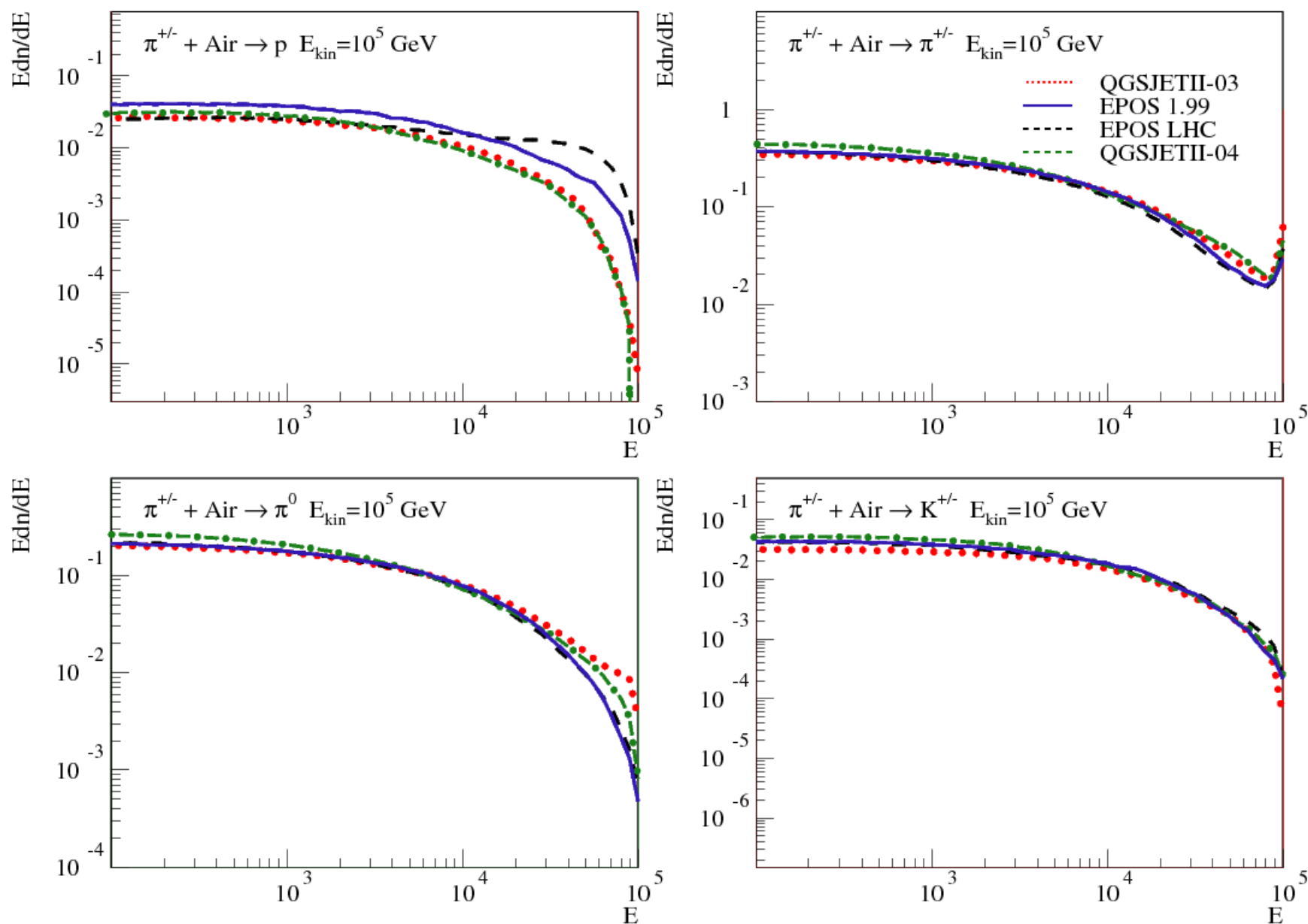
Collective flow effect only in EPOS



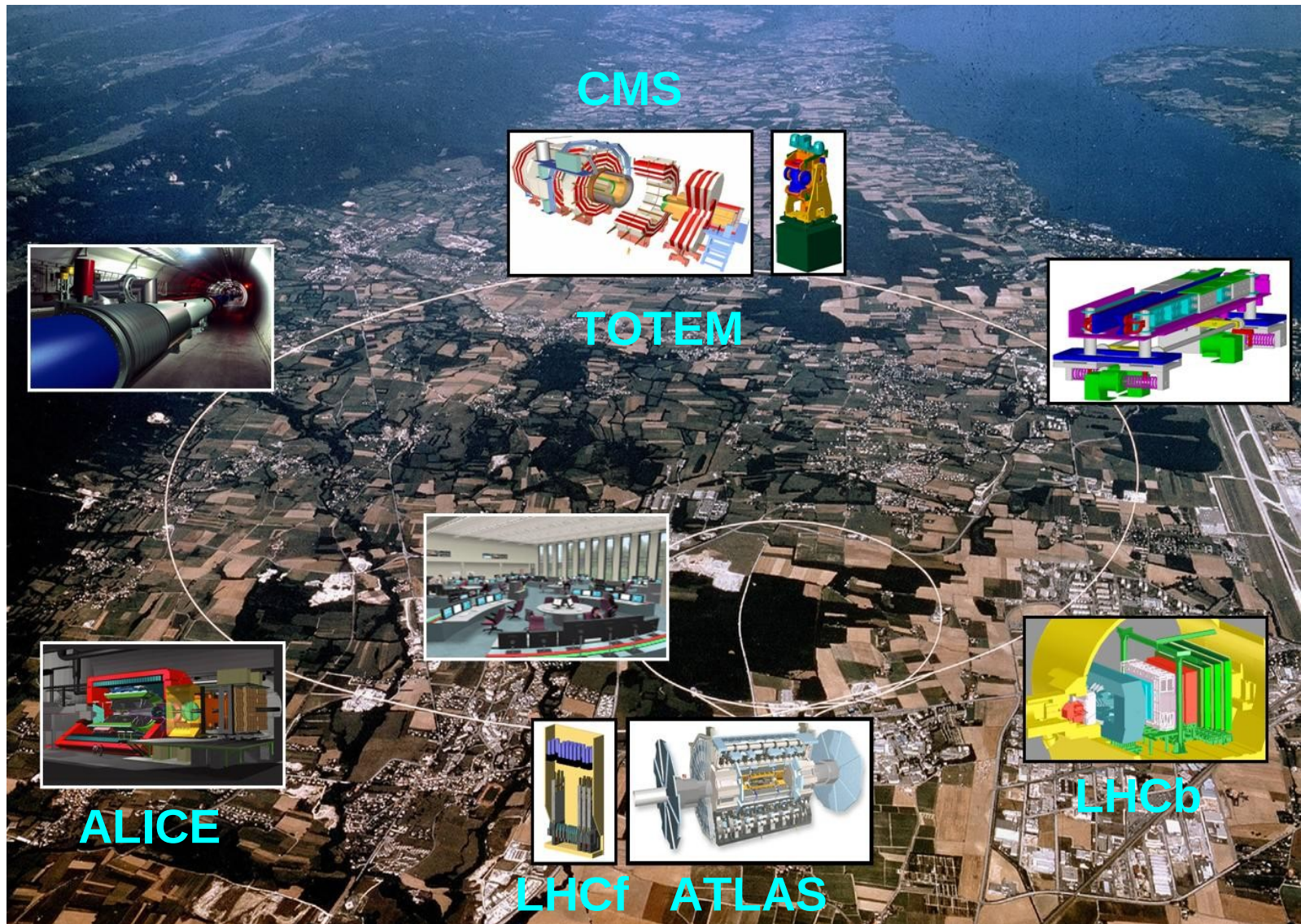
Baryon number now fixed at mid-rapidity.

— EPOS LHC  
- - QGSJETII-04

# Particle Spectra



# LHC Detectors



# Hadronic Interaction Models in CORSIKA

(HDPM)

Old generation : QGSJET01 SIBYLL 2.1 DPMJET 2.55 VENUS (<1999)

All Glauber based

But differences in hard, remnants, diffraction ...

semi-hard

soft

NEXUS 3.97

Attempt to get everything described in a consistent way (energy sharing)

New generation : (QGSJET II-03) (DPMJET III) (EPOS 1.99) (2005-2012)

LHC tuned : **QGSJET II-04** **EPOS LHC** (2013-)

Theory ++ :

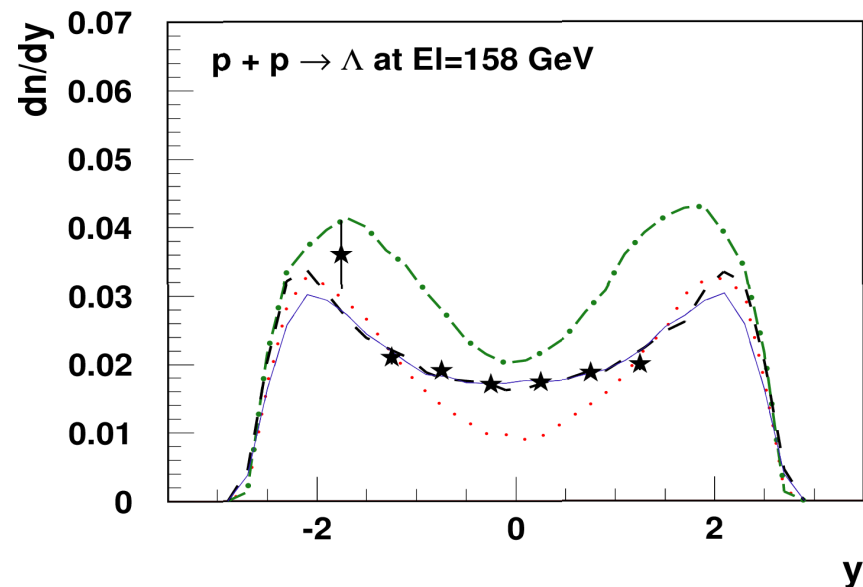
- Loop diagrams
- rho0 resonance
- optimized for CR

Phenomenology ++ :

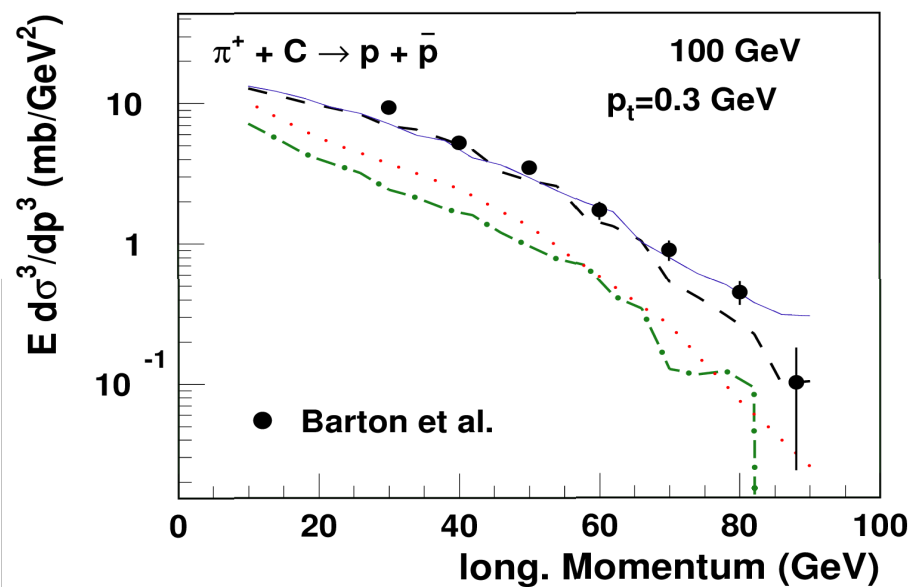
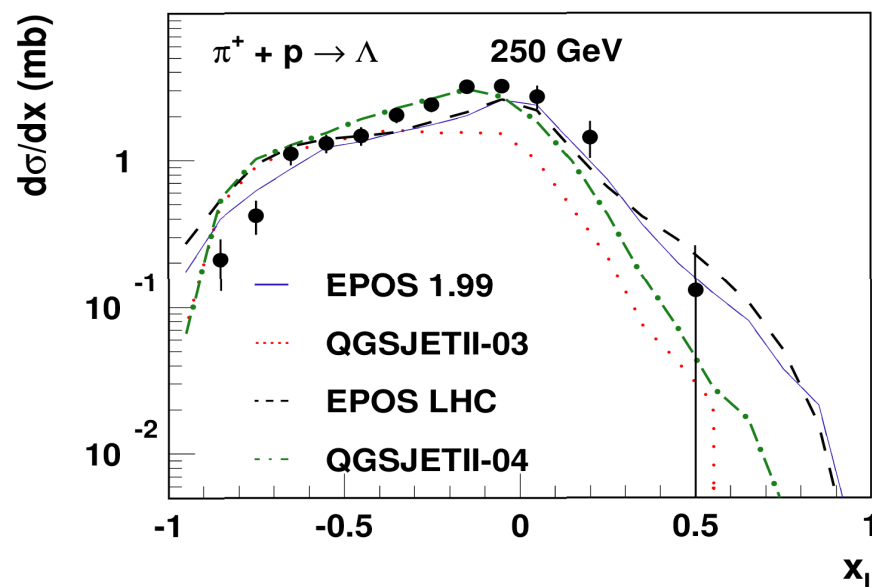
- all type of data studied
- high density effect (QGP)
- multi-purpose model (SPS, RHIC, LHC analysis)



# Baryon Forward Spectra



- ➔ Large differences between models
- ➔ Need a new remnant approach for a complete description (EPOS)
- ➔ Problems even at low energy
  - check data with NA61
- ➔ No measurement at high energy !
  - neutron spectra from LHCf ?



# Pion Leading Particle Effect

- Rho meson production added in QGSJETII to take into account leading particle effect in pion-Air interaction

- ➔ same effect as baryon production : forward  $\pi^0$  replaced by charged pions (reduced leading  $\pi^0$ )
- ➔ increase muon production
- ➔ already in EPOS

Not only Rho0 should be taken into account !

