

Exploring the high-density QCD medium via particle correlations in pA collisions at the LHC



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"Ridge" in pp collisions

Opportunity of studying novel QCD phenomena opened up by the LHC

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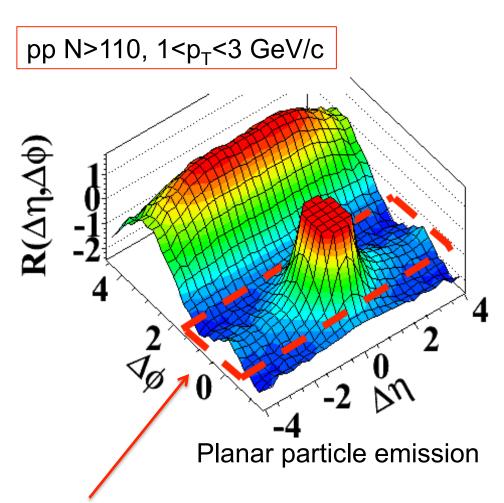
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Observation of long-range, near-side angular correlations in proton-proton collisions at the LHC

The CMS collaboration

ABSTRACT: Results on two-particle angular correlations for charged particles emitted in proton-proton collisions at center-of-mass energies of 0.9, 2.36, and 7 TeV are presented, using data collected with the CMS detector over a broad range of pseudorapidity (η) and azimuthal angle (ϕ). Short-range correlations in $\Delta \eta$, which are studied in minimum bias

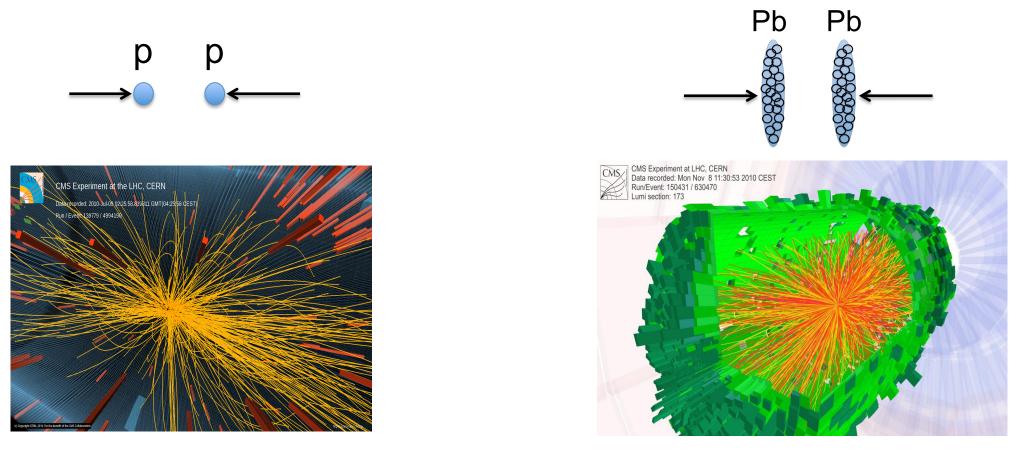
Two-particle $\Delta \eta$ - $\Delta \phi$ correlation



Unexpected ridge-like correlations in high multiplicity pp!

Not in minimum bias pp or pp MC models

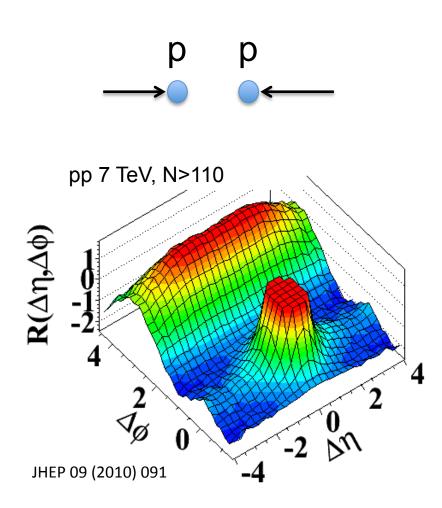
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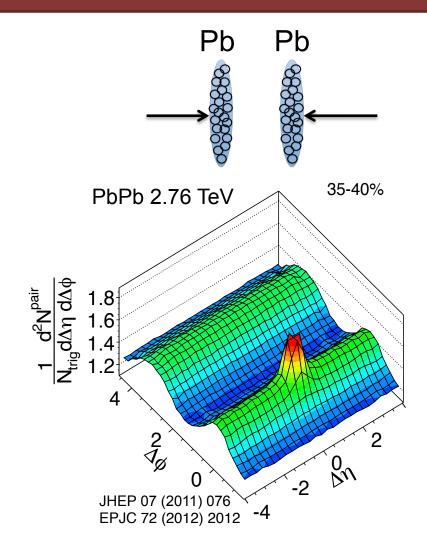


Quark Gluon Plasma (QGP)

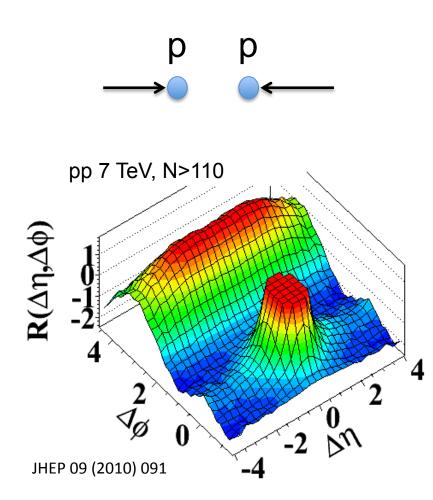
High particle density achieved in both pp and PbPb Is there any similarity between them?

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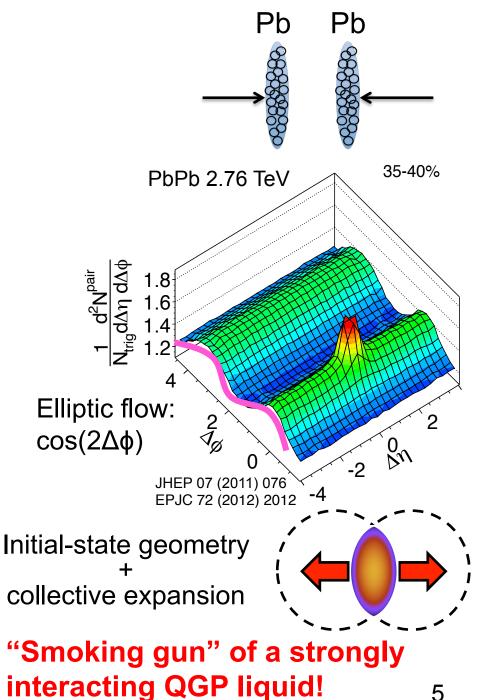




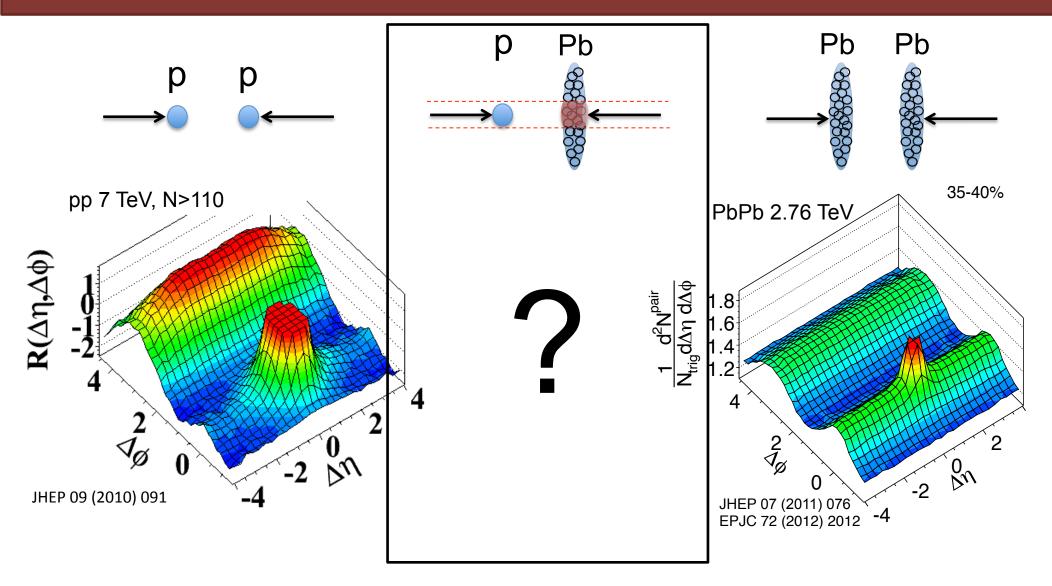
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Physical origin of pp ridge is not completely clear



"Ridge" in pA collisions?



What if colliding a proton and a nucleus? Is there a ridge? how big is it and what makes it?

CERN Site

CMS

ALICE

Large Hadron Collider (LHC) (27 km circumference)

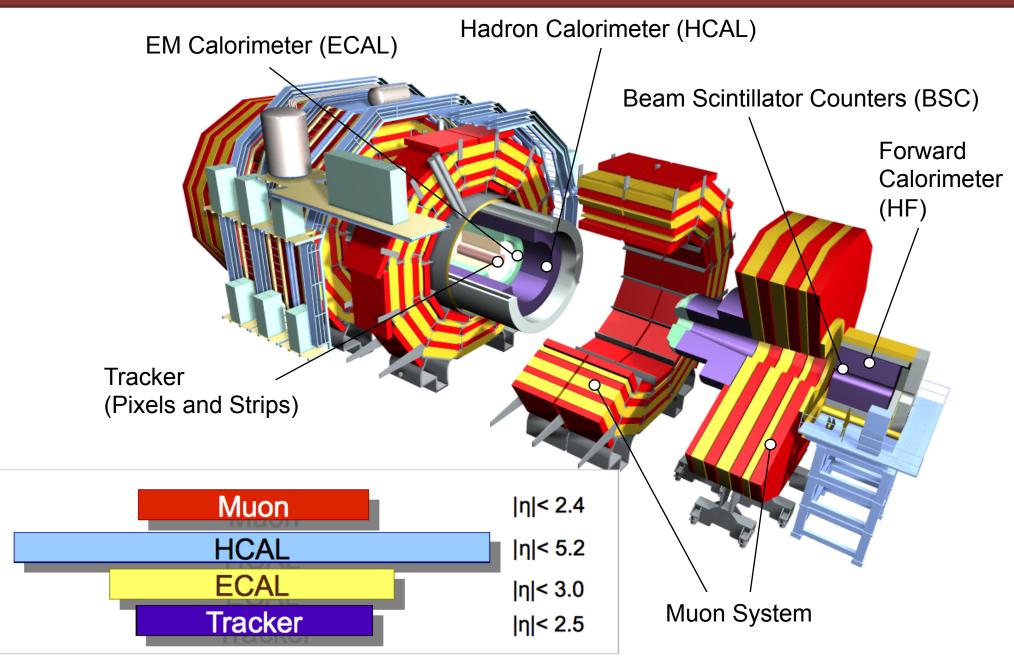
> pp 7 TeV, 8TeV PbPb 2.76 TeV (14 x RH

> > ATLAS

Lake Geneva

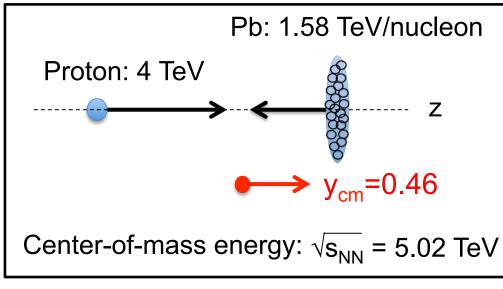
HCb

CMS experiment at the LHC

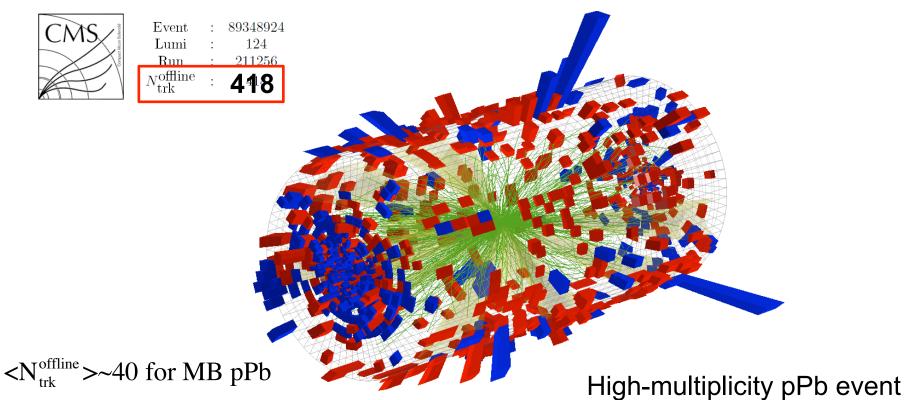


Unprecedented kinematic range and acceptance

Proton-nucleus collisions at the LHC

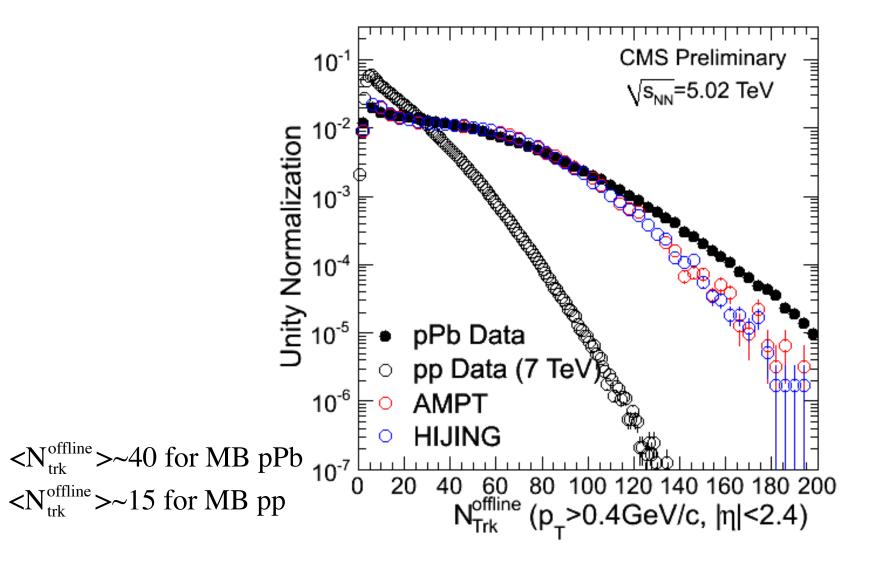


2012 pilot run (8 hours): 1 µb⁻¹ 2013 nominal run (3 weeks): 31 nb⁻¹ (18 nb⁻¹ for pPb and 13 nb⁻¹ for Pbp) 60 billion collisions



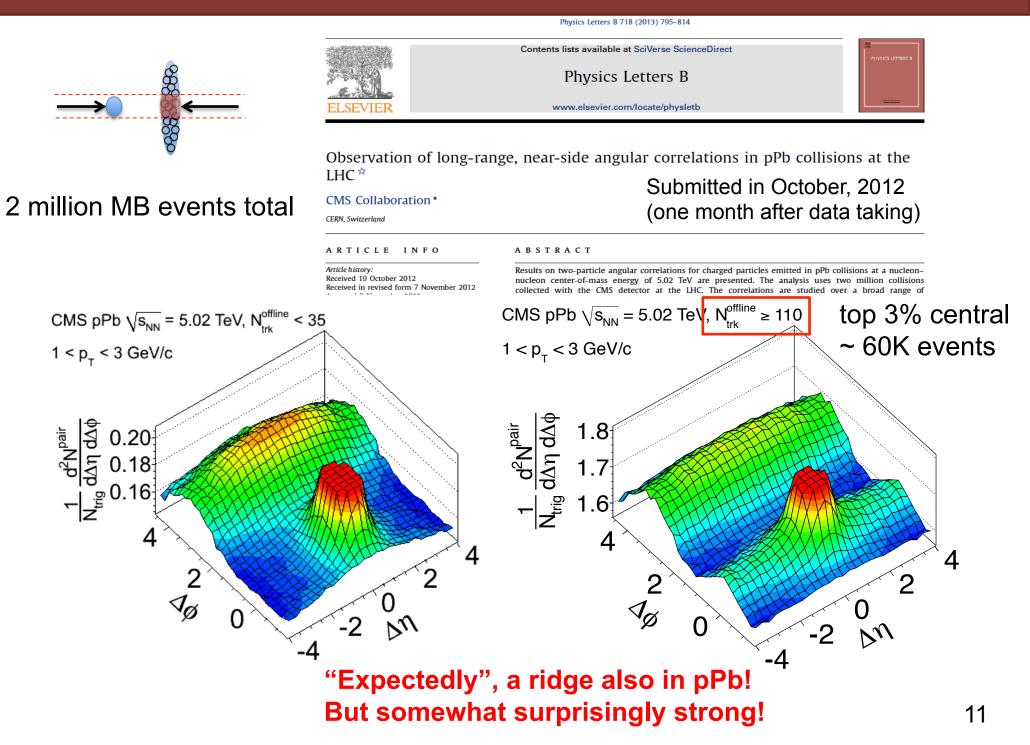
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Interaction rate of 200 Hz, all two million MB pPb events collected

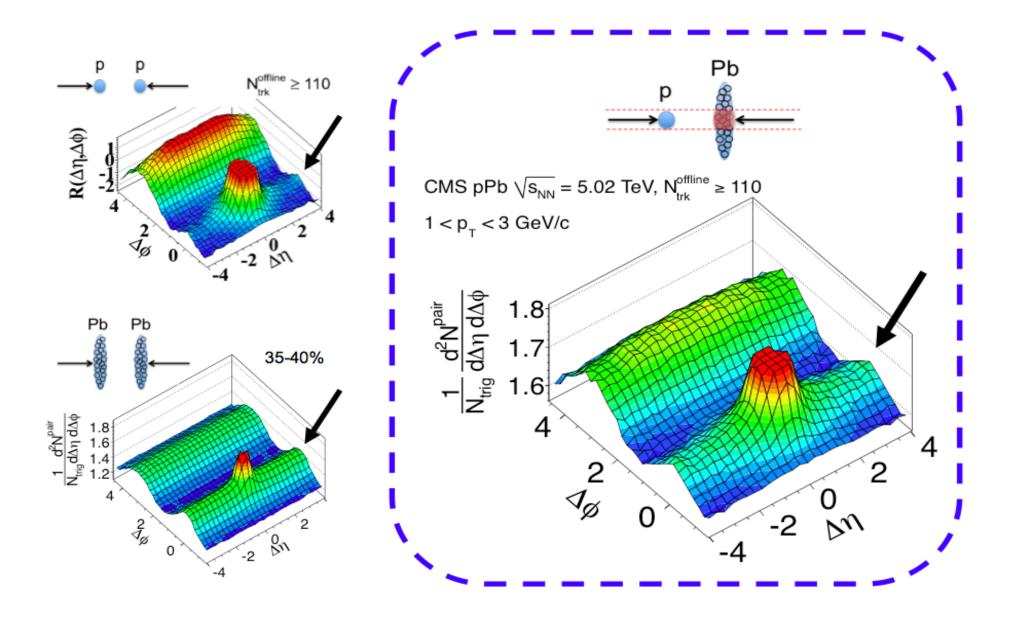


Much easier to reach high multiplicity in pPb, as expected

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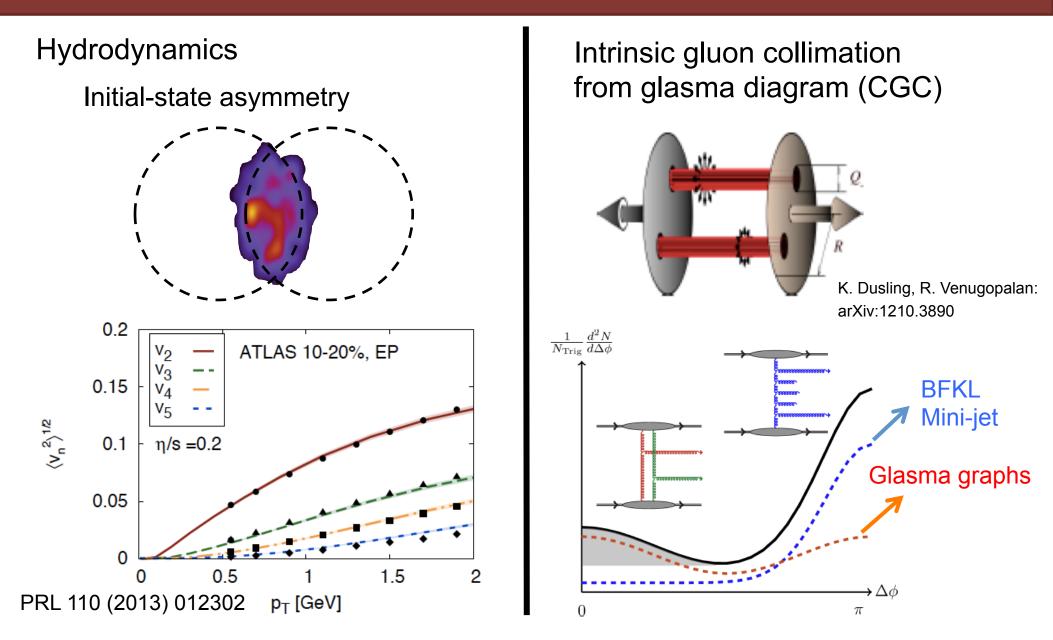


A complete picture of ridge correlations



Is there a common origin of the ridge in all systems?

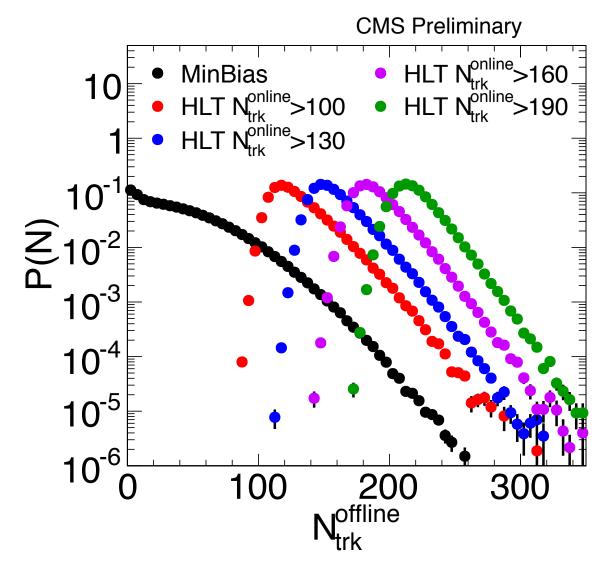
"Perfect Liquid" or Gluon Condensate?



Initial-state geometry related or not?
Final-state interaction or quantum interference?

2013 pPb nominal run at the LHC

High-multiplicity trigger in pPb at CMS



Interaction rate of 200 kHz

4 different trigger thresholds, each collecting ~20 million events

- Powerful high-level trigger farm: 16K CPU cores
- Online tracking and vertexing to avoid pileup

Sampled full 31 nb⁻¹ luminosity (60 billion collisions)

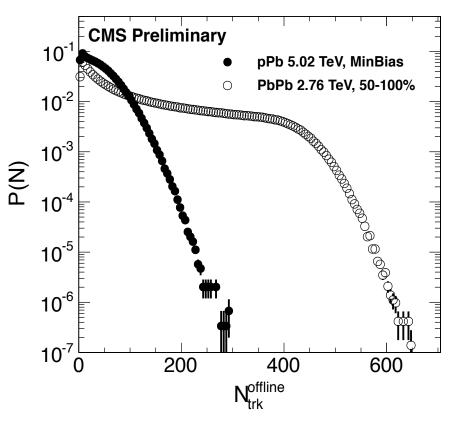
First direct comparison of PbPb and pPb

Overall tracking efficiency:

~ 83% (N_{trk} offline/N_{trk} corrected)

pPb data

Multiplicity distribution in pPb and PbPb



same reconstruction in pPb and PbPb

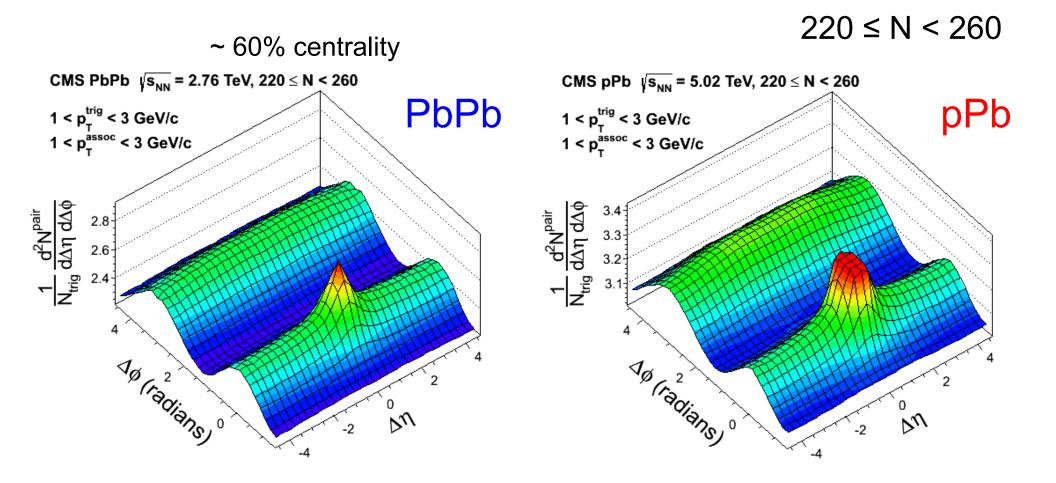
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[0,∞)				1.00	40	50±2
[0, 20)	92±4	10	13±1	0.31	10	12±1
[20,30)	86±4	24	30±1	0.14	25	30±1
[30, 40)	83±4	34	43±2	0.12	35	42±2
[40, 50)	80±4	44	55±2	0.10	45	54 ± 2
[50,60)	78±3	54	68±3	0.09	54	66±3
[60, 80)	75±3	69	87±4	0.12	69	84 ± 4
[80,100)	72±3	89	112±5	0.07	89	108 ± 5
[100, 120)	70±3	109	137±6	0.03	109	132 ± 6
[120, 150)	67±3	134	168±7	0.02	132	159 ± 7
[150, 185)	64±3	167	210±9	4×10^{-3}	162	195 ± 9
[185, 220)	62±2	202	253±11	5×10^{-4}	196	236±10
[220, 260)	59±2	239	299±13	6×10^{-5}	232	280 ± 12
[260, 300)	57+2	279	350 ± 15	3×10^{-6}	271	328 + 14
[300, 350)	55±2	324	405±18	1×10^{-7}	311	374±16

PbPb data

- Highest multiplicity of ~ 370 explored in pPb
- Occurs once in every 10 million events (~ 6000 events recorded)
- Comparable up to 55% mid-central PbPb

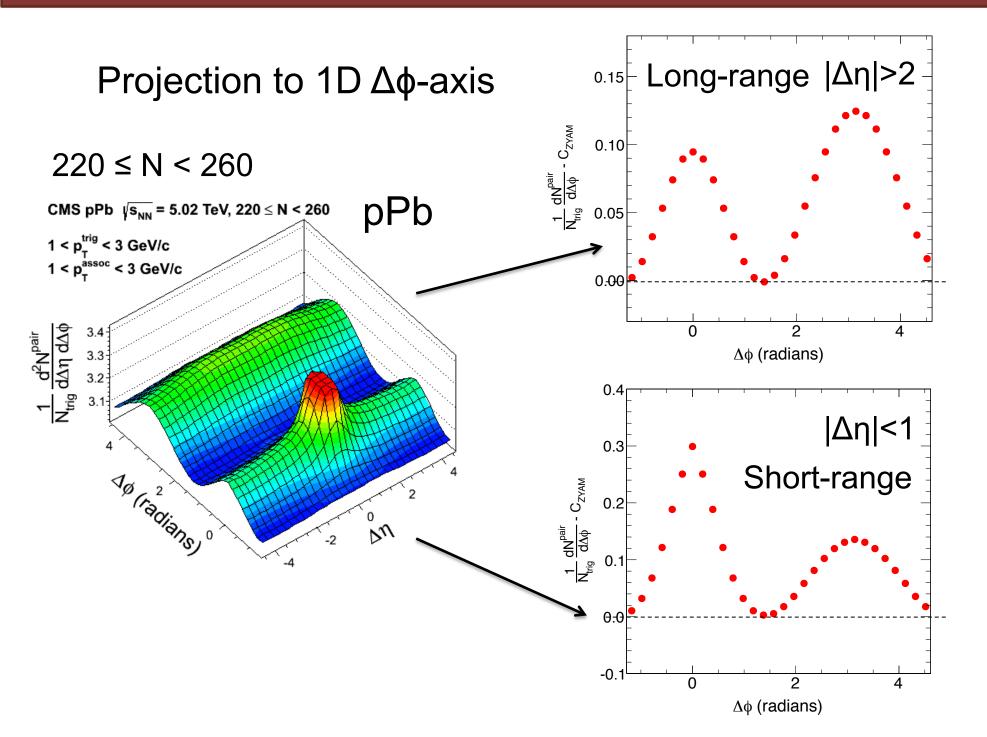
2D correlation structures in PbPb vs pPb

arXiv:1305.0609, submitted to PLB

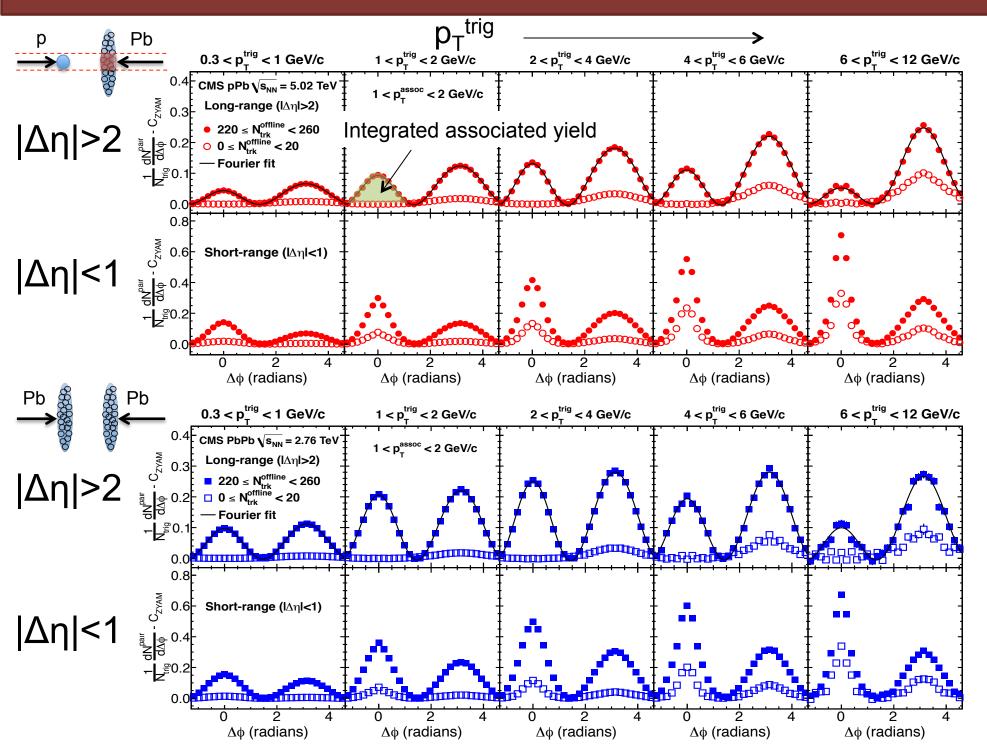


Remarkably similar, who is who's reference?

Quantify the short- and long-range correlations

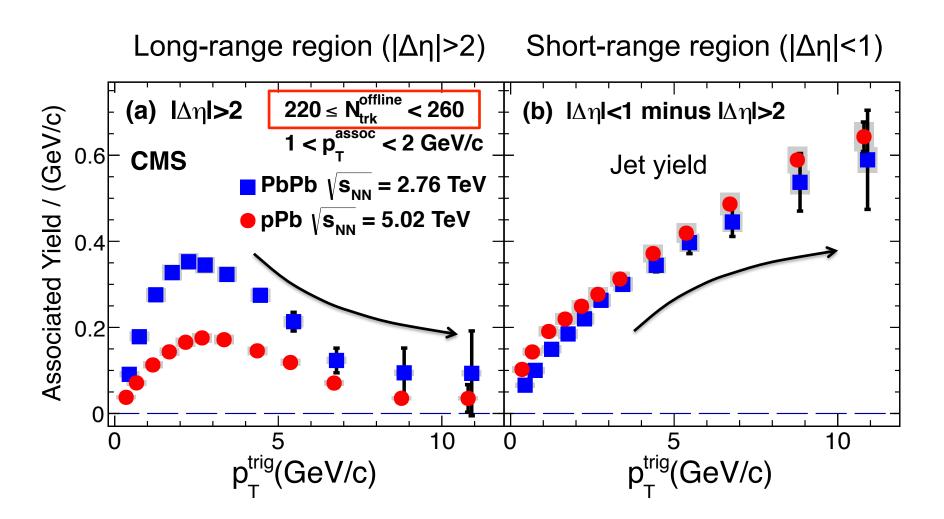


1D $\Delta \phi$ correlation functions



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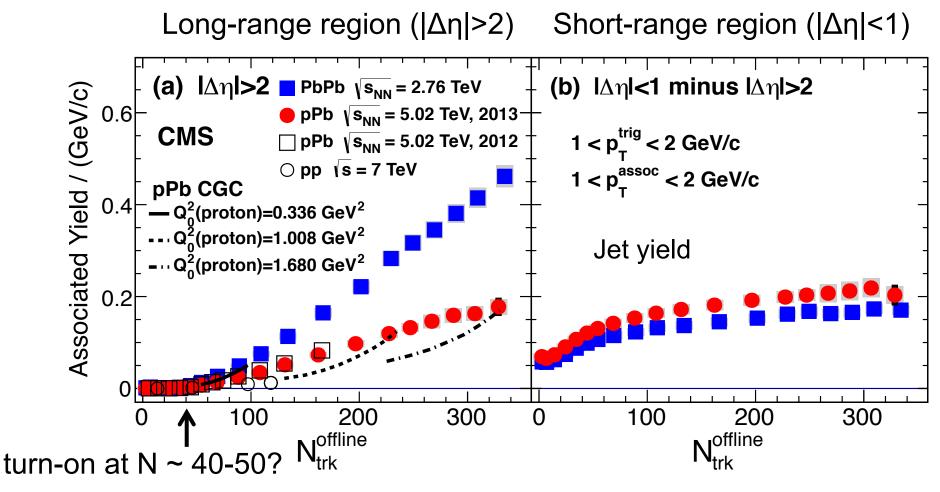
p_{T} dependence of associated yield



Long-range yield goes in the opposite direction as the jet yield at high p_T , not related to hard processes

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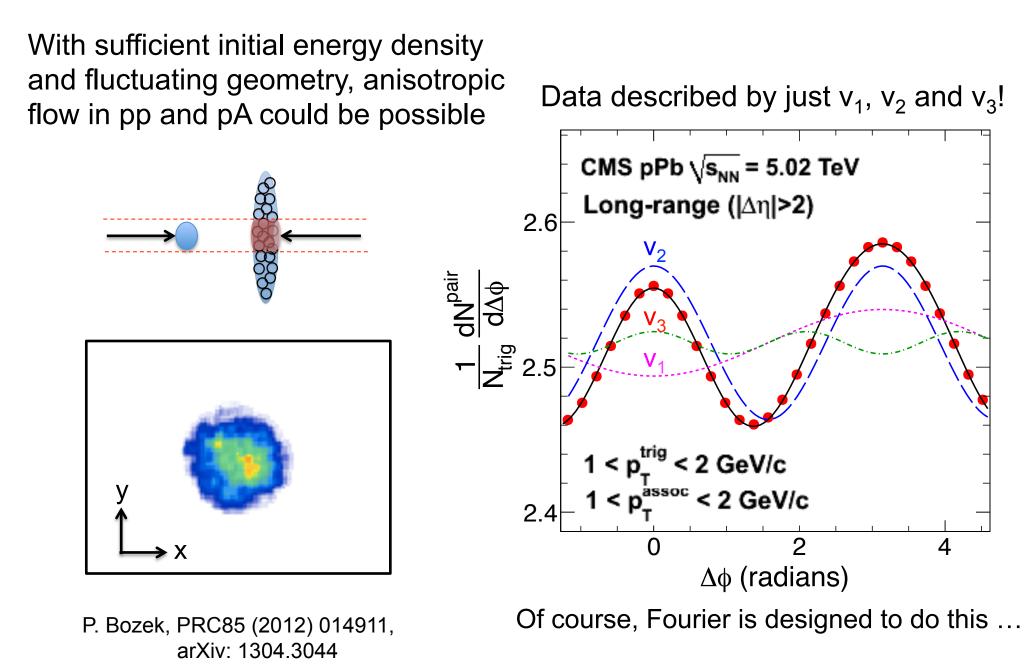
Multiplicity dependence of associated yield



PbPb : pPb : pp ≈ 8 : 4 : 1

Long-range yield is strongly correlated with global multiplicity, behaving differently from the jet yield. Collective phenomena? Very similar trend for pPb and PbPb!

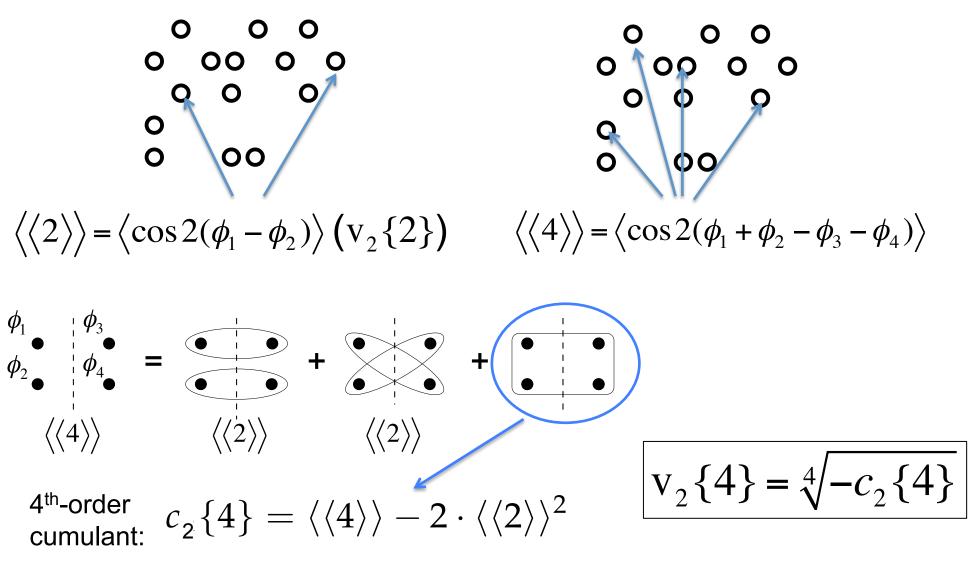
Hydrodynamics in pp and pA?



A. Bzdak. et al., arXiv: 1304.3403

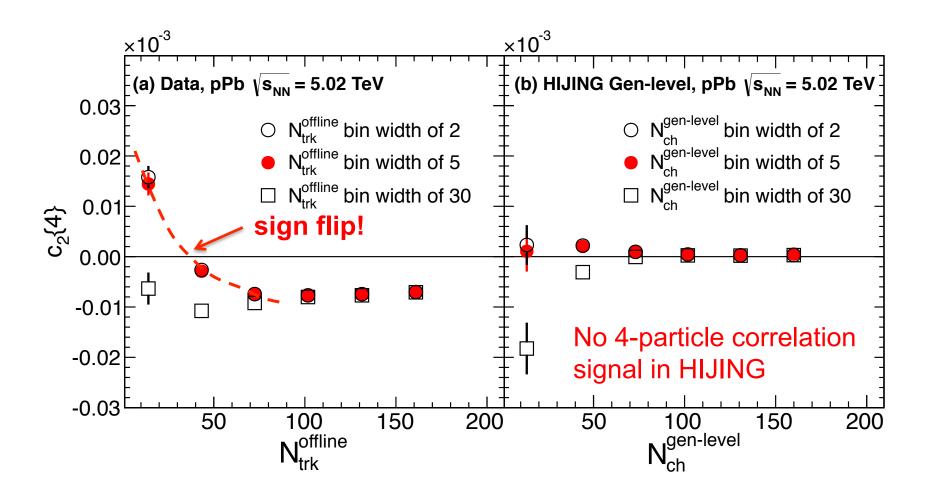
Multi-particle correlations (cumulant)

Is the Ridge just a two-particle effect, or it involves more particles?



average over particles and events

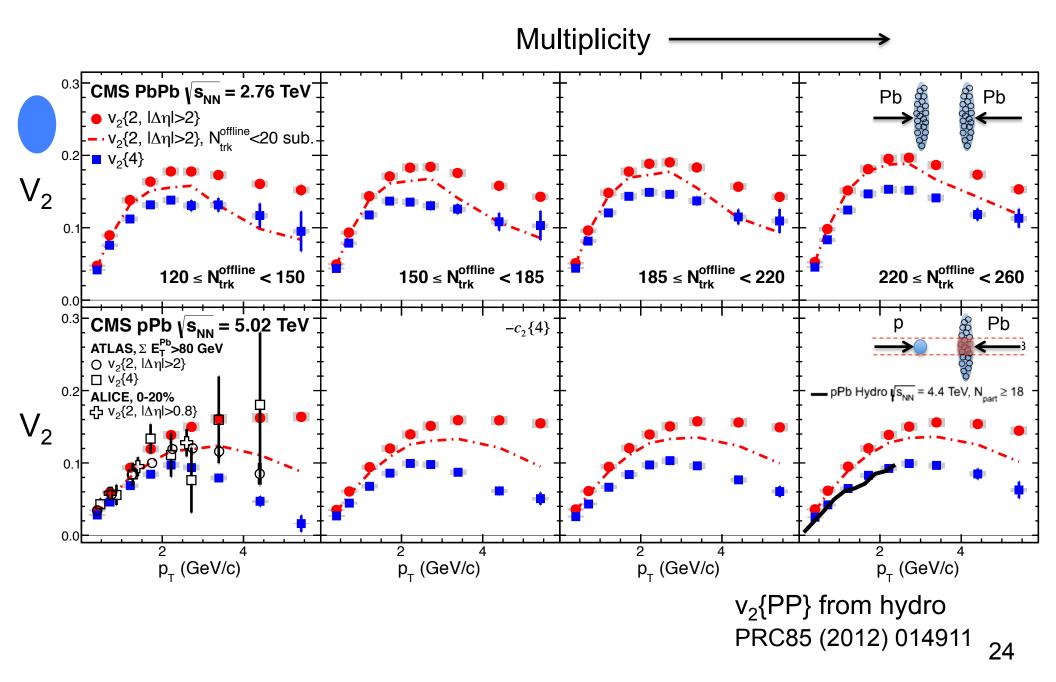
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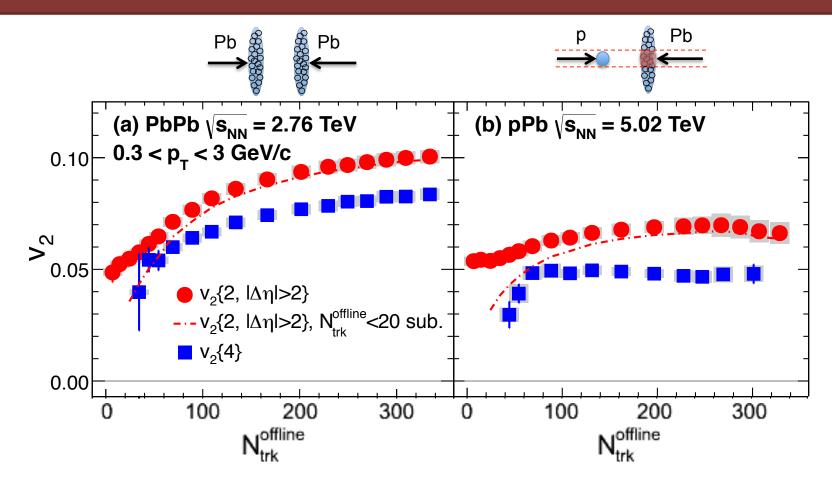


Analysis should be done in small N bins first to avoid multiplicity fluctuations

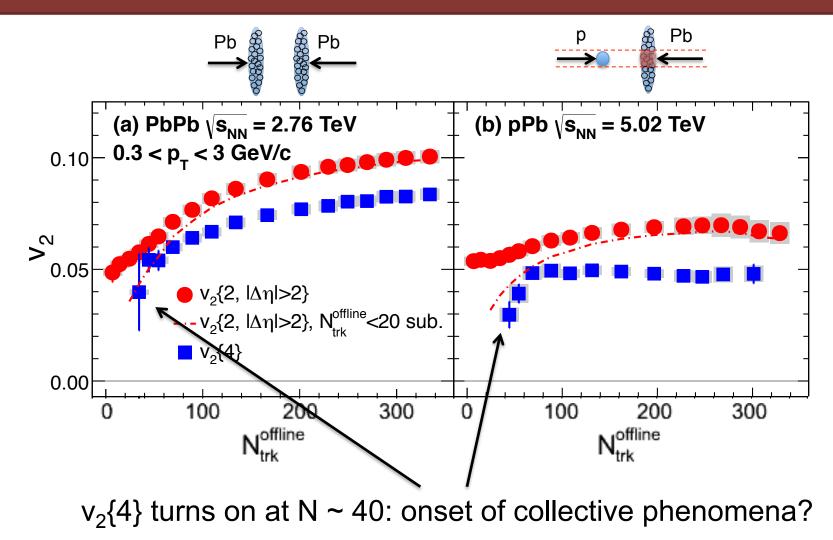
p_T dependence of elliptic flow (v_2)

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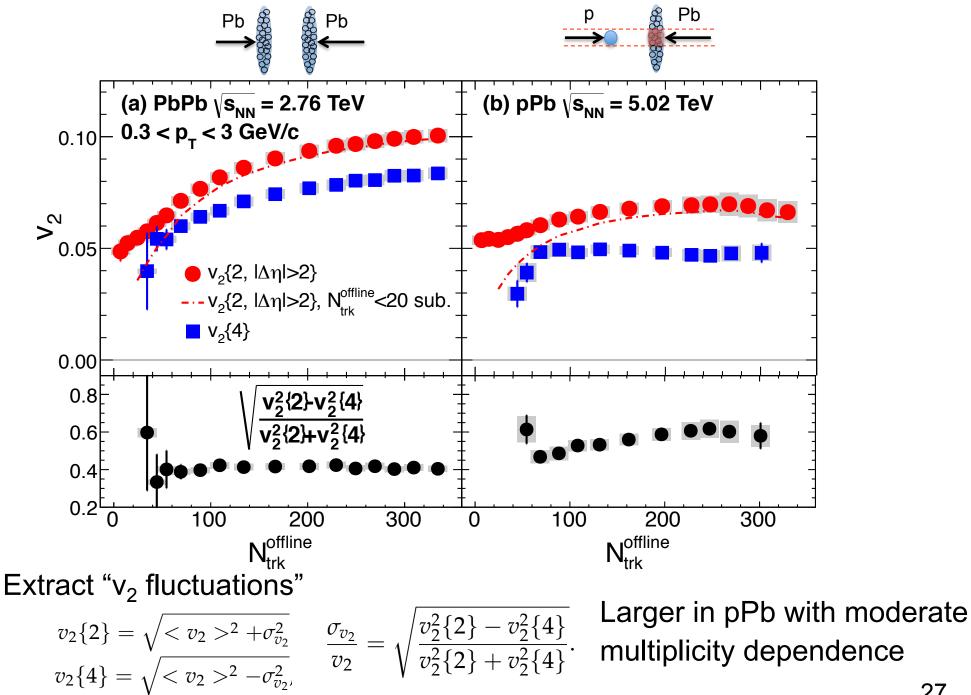




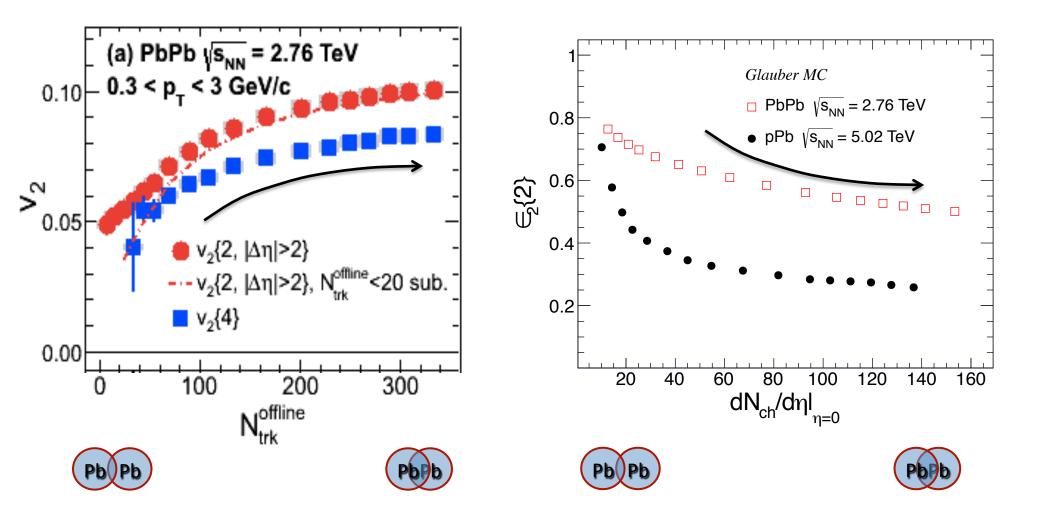
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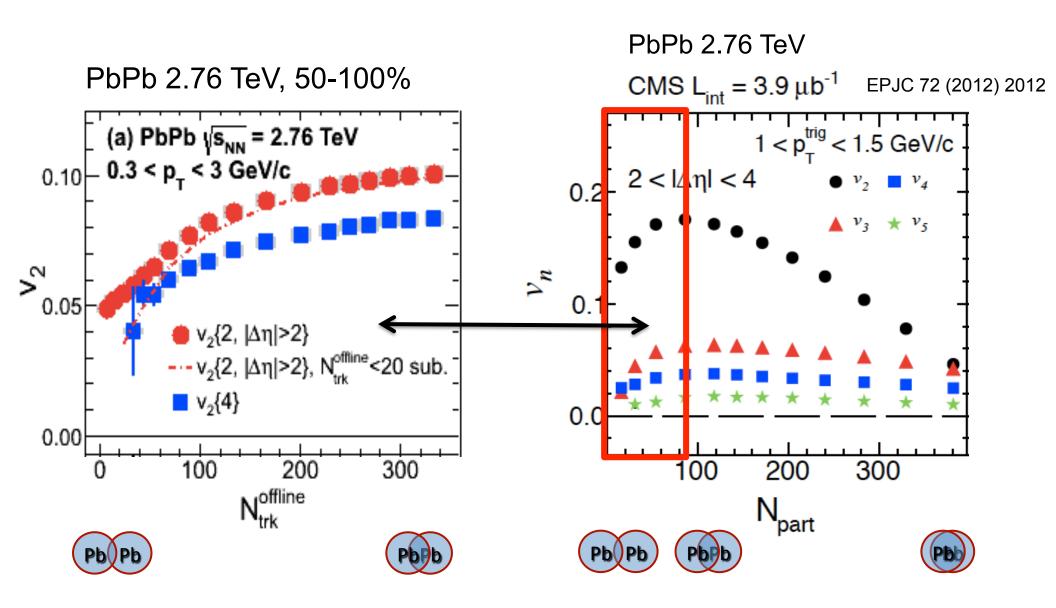


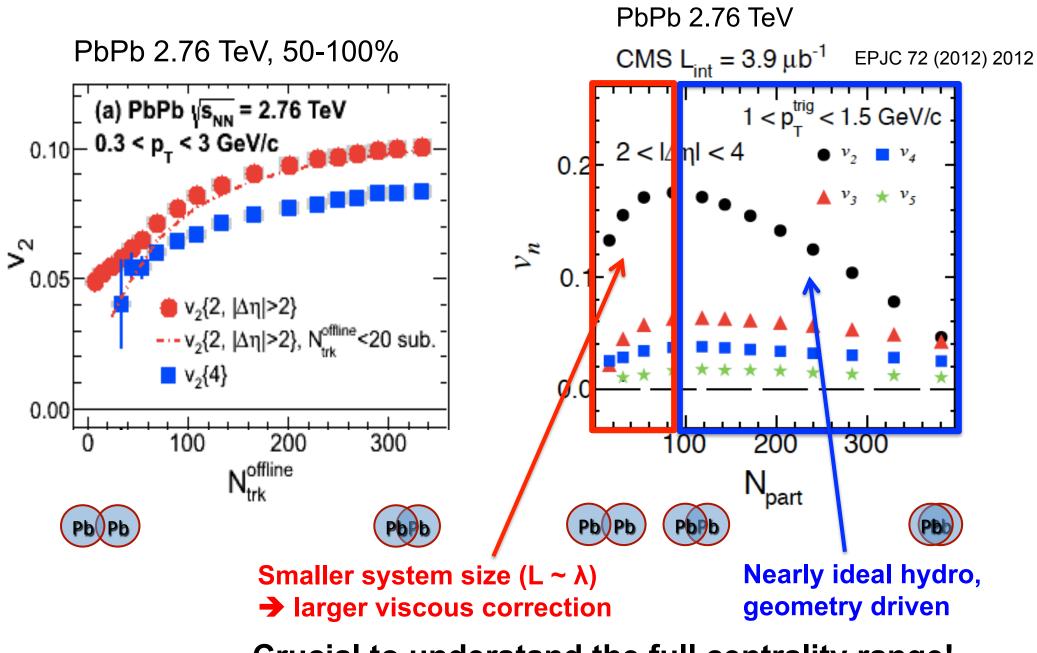
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 v_2 in PbPb increases as eccentricity decreases?



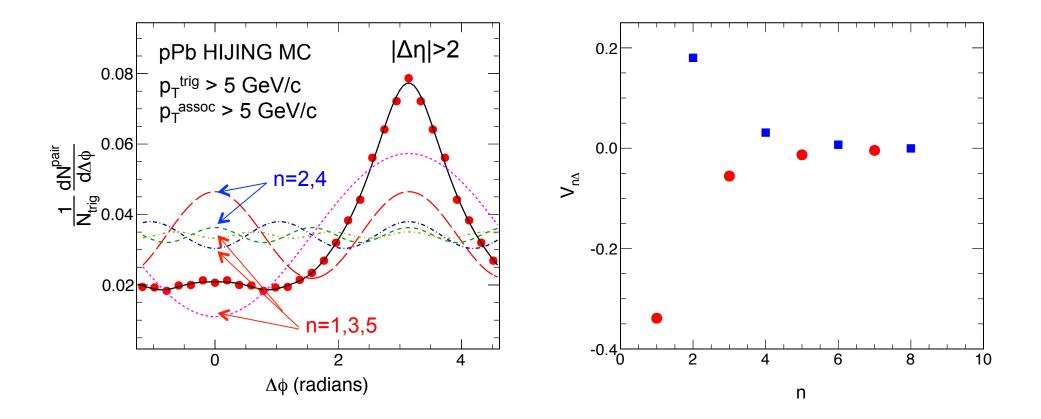




Crucial to understand the full centrality range! 30

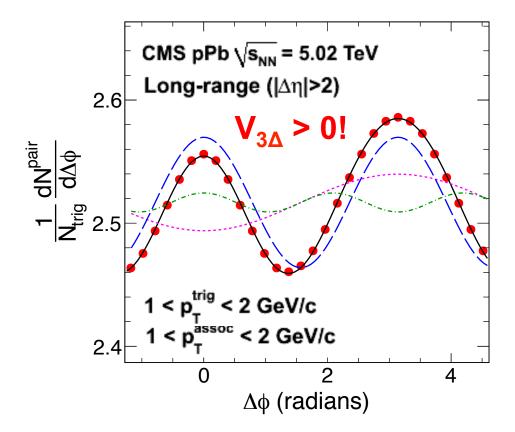
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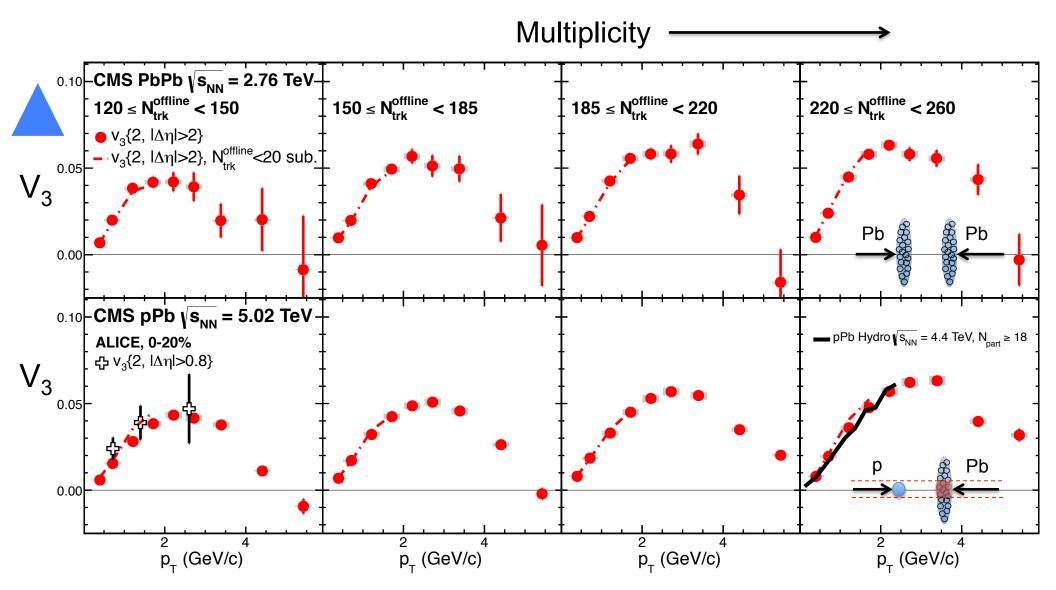
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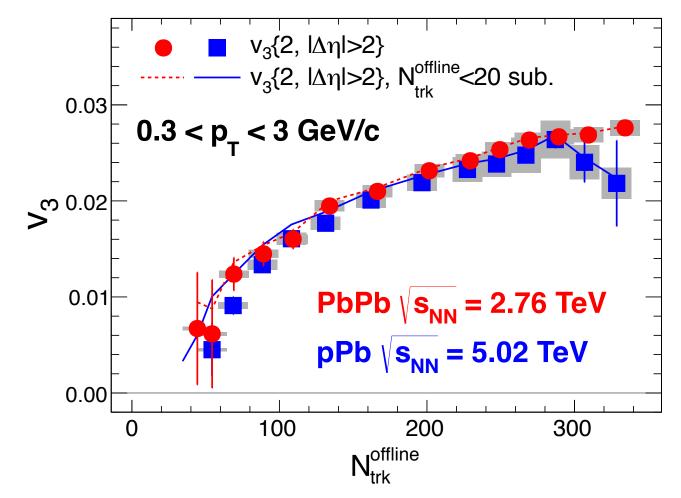
Positive long-range $V_{3\Delta}$ must indicate "new physics"

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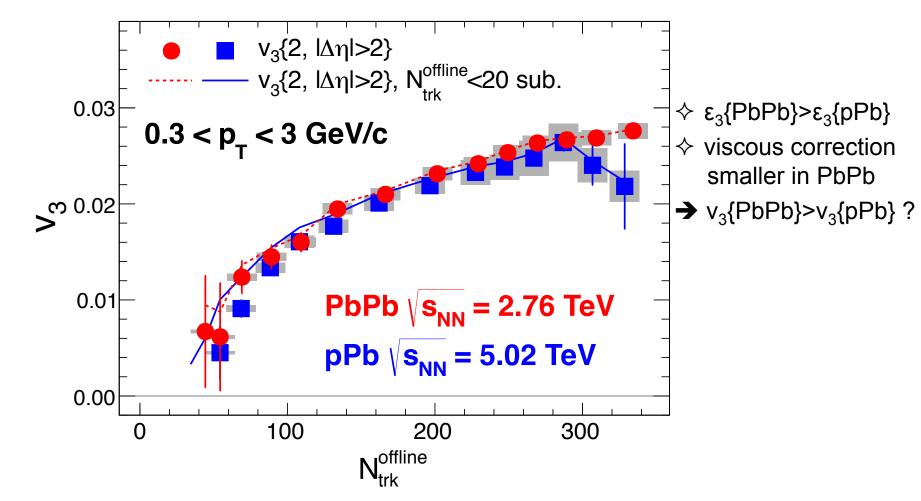
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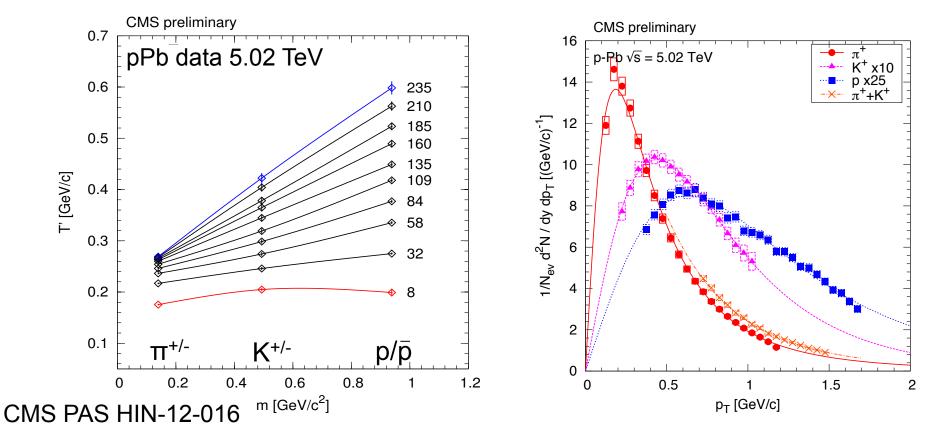
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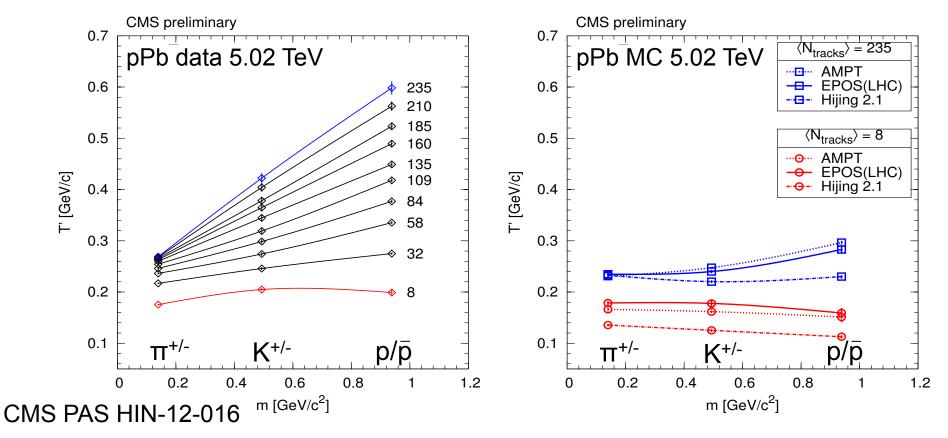
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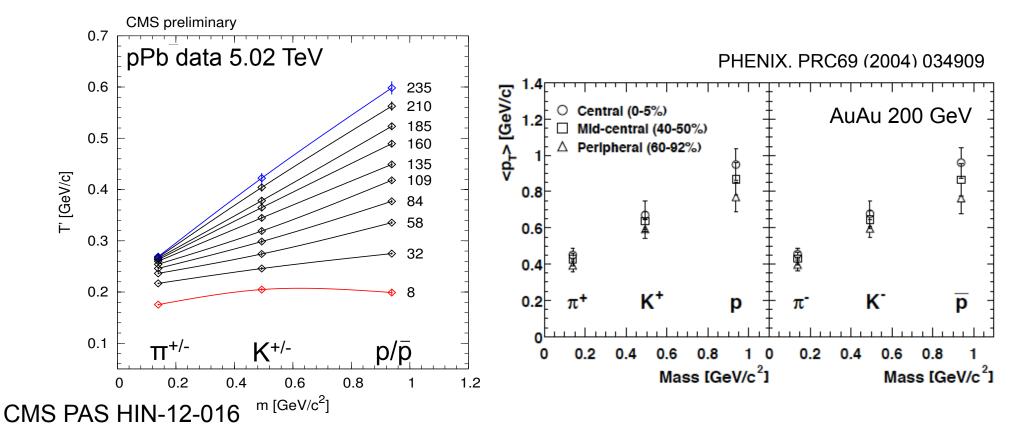
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No such trend observed in MC models (AMPT, HIJING)

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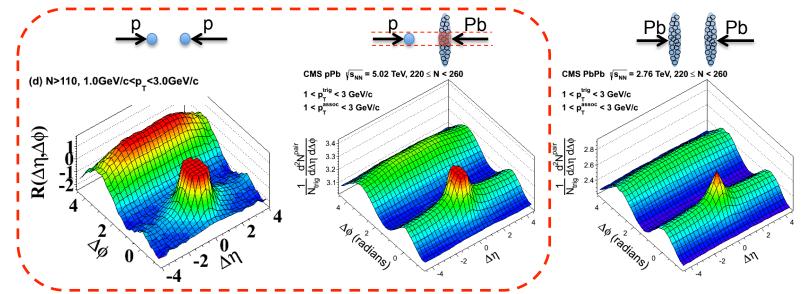


- Similar trend as observed in AA collisions
- > Onset of radial flow effect: $T_{slope} \approx T_{freeze-out} + m < u \geq^2$?

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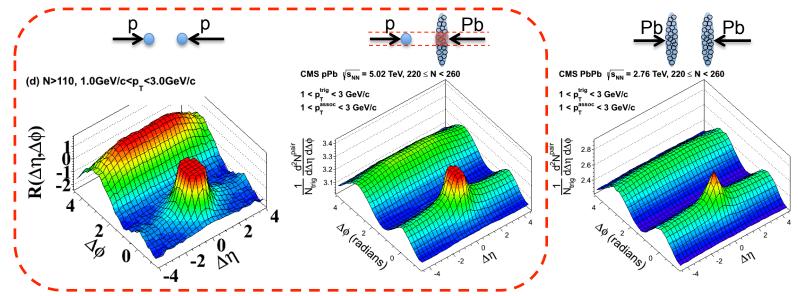
radial flow velocity

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A comprehensive investigation of AA observables in pA will provide us the definitive answer in the next few years:

- HBT radii, as big as in AA?
- Identified particles spectra and correlations, hadron chemistry
- > Jet-medium interaction (where does $v_2 p_T \sim 6$ GeV/c come from?)
- Quarkonia melting

None of these could be imagined a couple of years ago

Future pA program at the LHC beyond 2015:

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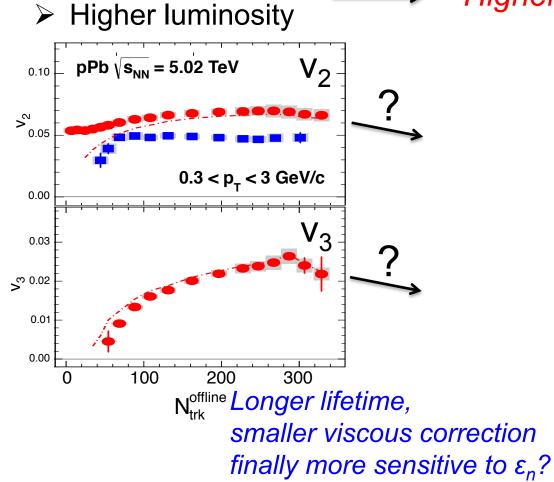
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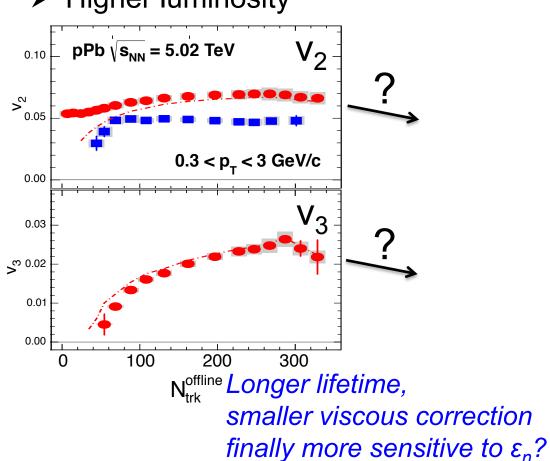
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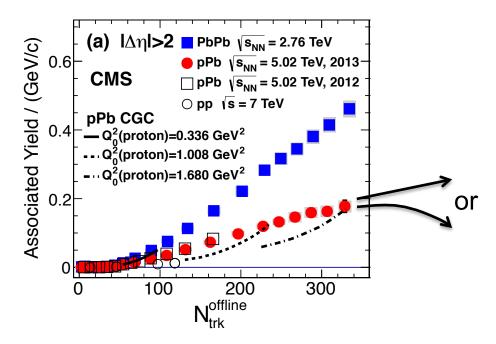


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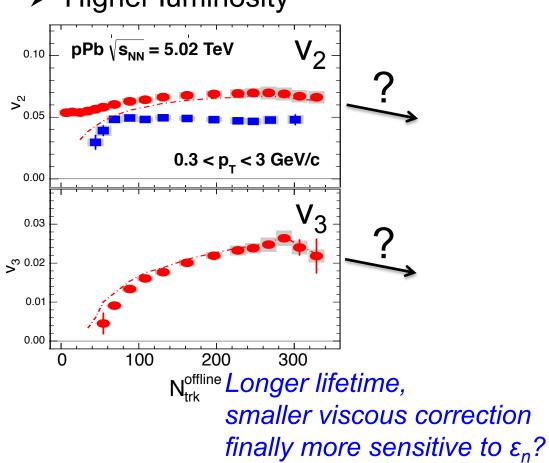
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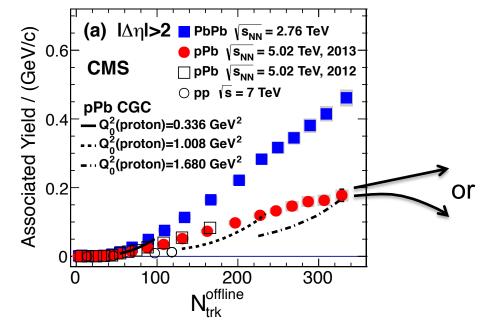
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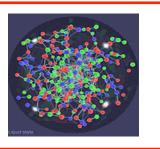


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If many features of high multiplicity pp and pA appear to be consistent with AA,

QGP liquid also in pp and pA?!

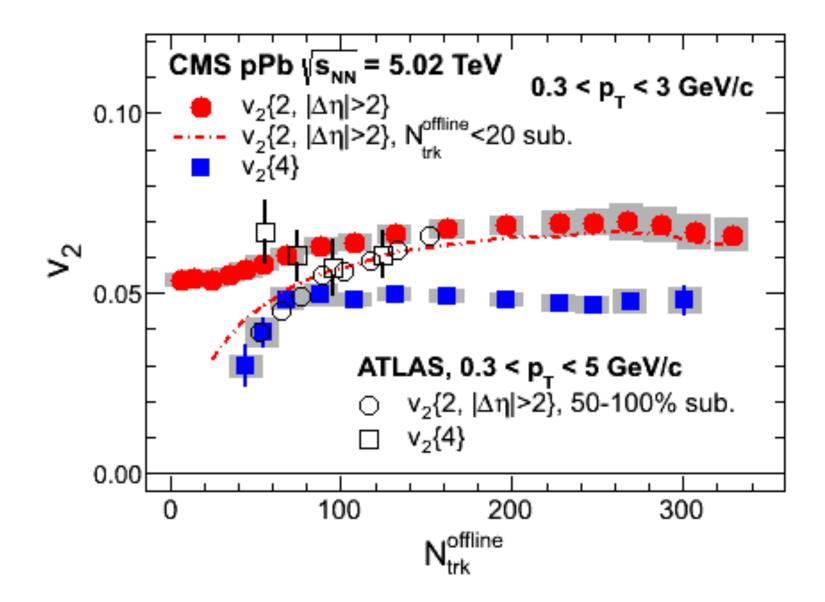


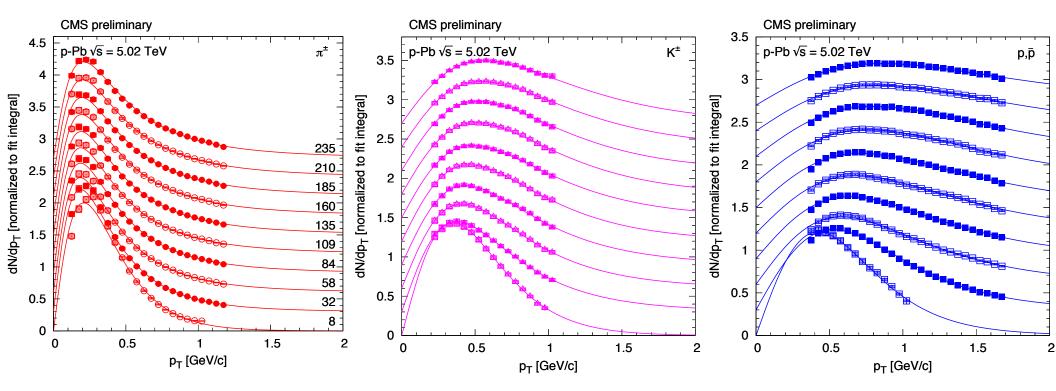
"pA is like a litmus test. Until we understand pA from our understanding of pp and AA, we cannot claim to have a deep understanding of pp and AA."

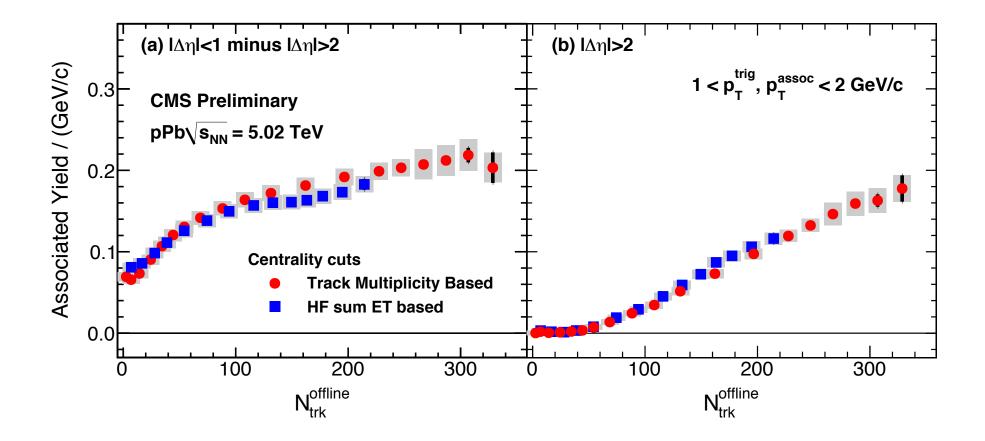
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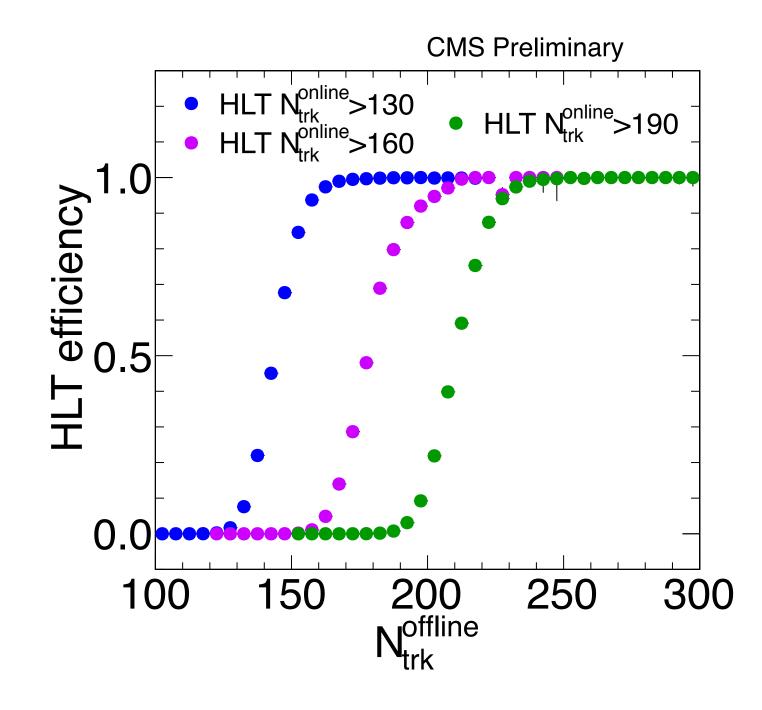
Stay tuned!

Backups

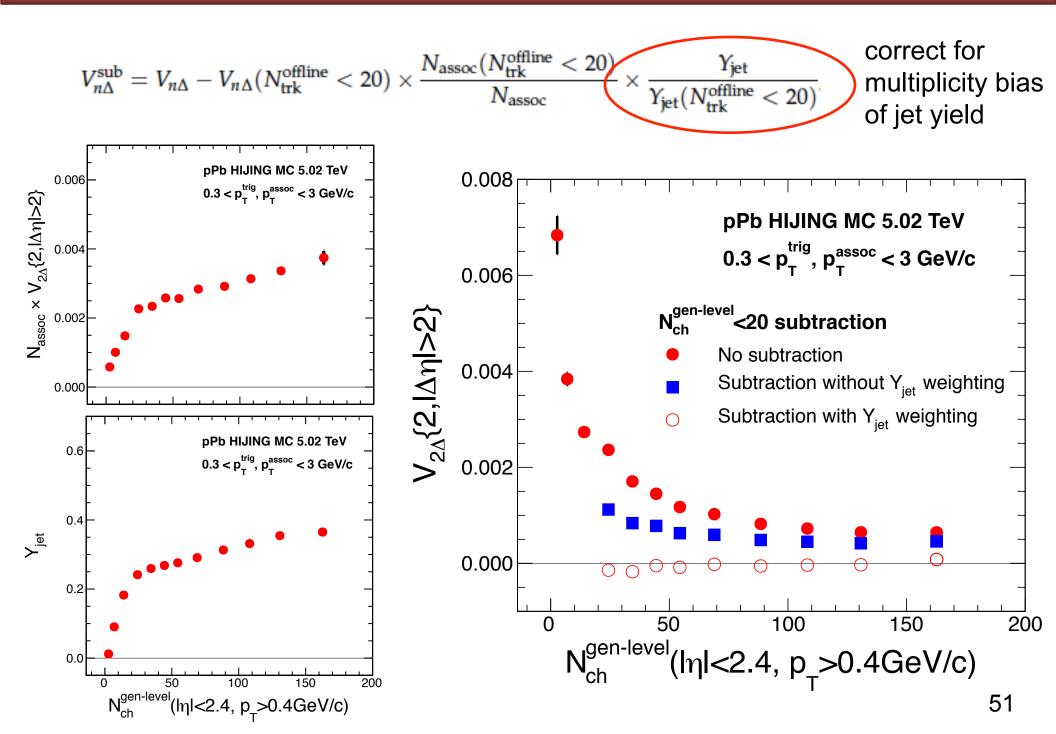




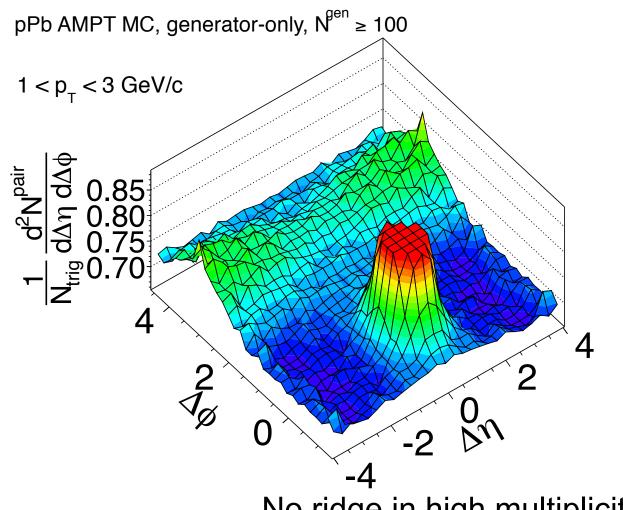




Peripheral subtraction



Correlations from AMPT pPb

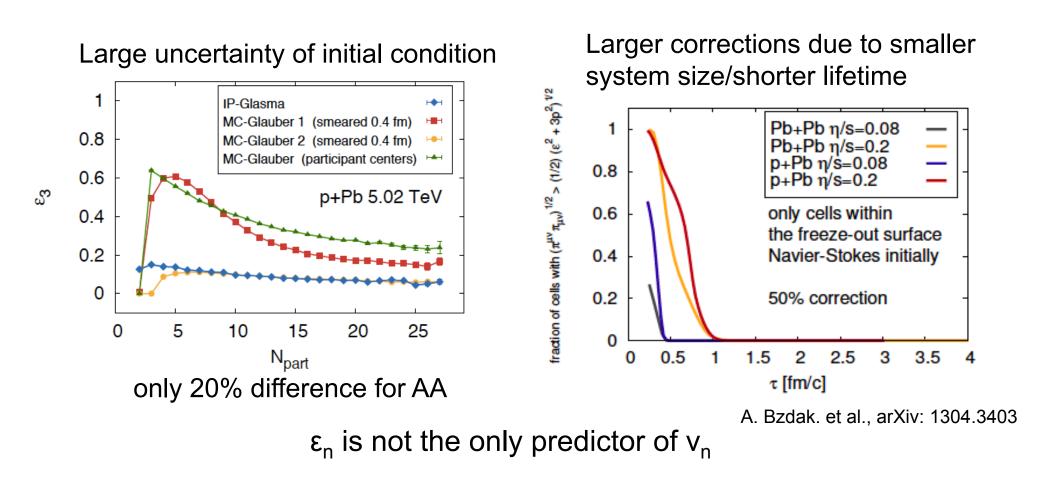


No ridge in high multiplicity AMPT pPb

Reason to be understood as AMPT can describe the ridge in AA:

- Transport model not applicable for small system?
- Process turned off?
- Not enough high multiplicity?

Hydrodynamics in small systems

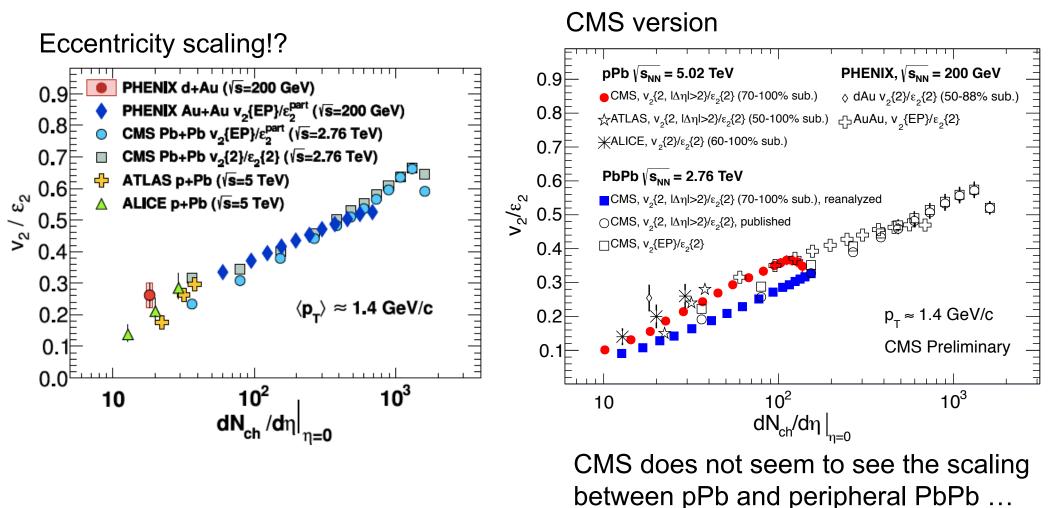


If we are confident with hydro + viscosity for central AA, we must test it in the regime where viscous correction is more significant

If IP-glasma model is the right description of initial condition, pp/pA provides an ideal testing ground of it

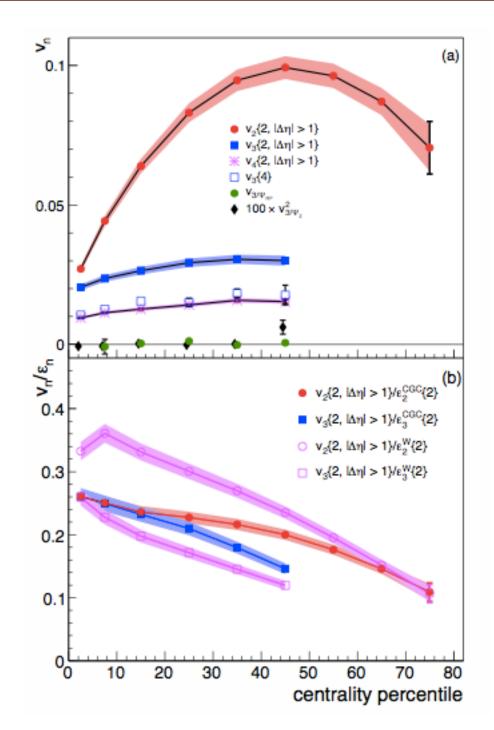
The Ridge in dA at RHIC

 ϵ_n from MC Glauber



Given the large uncertainty, we should be careful when dividing by $\varepsilon_n!$

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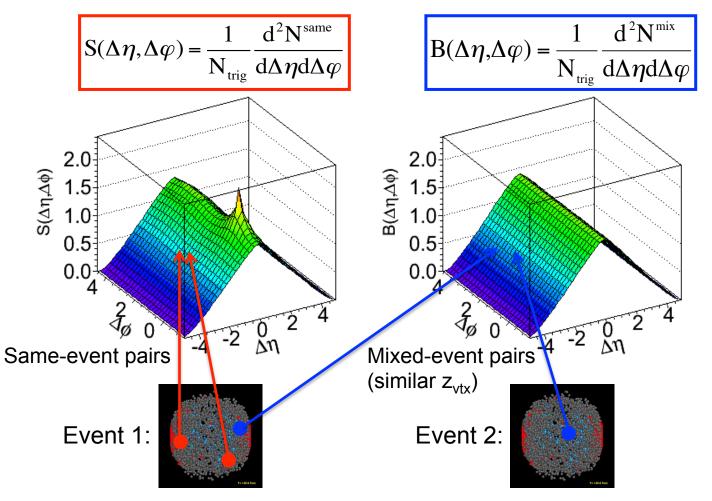
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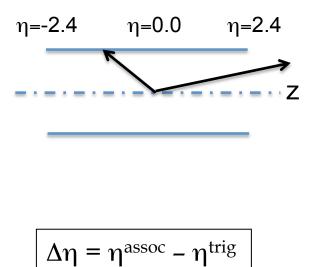
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Background-pair distribution



Triangular shape in $\Delta \eta$ due to limited acceptance



 $\Delta \phi = \phi^{assoc} - \phi^{trig}$

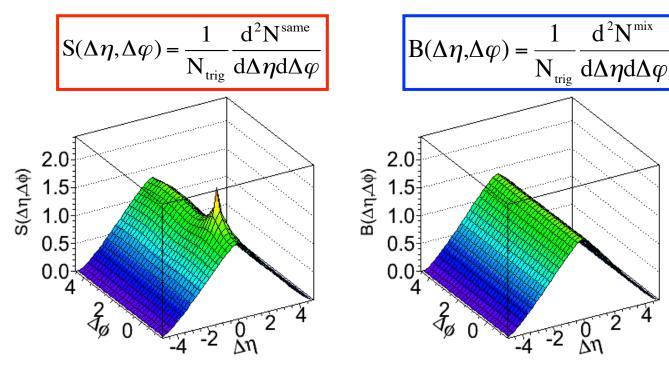
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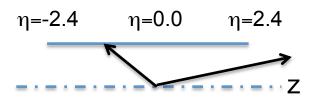
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Pair yield per trigger particle:

$$\frac{1}{N_{trg}} \frac{d^2 N}{d\Delta \eta d\Delta \phi} = B(0,0) \times \frac{S(\Delta \eta, \Delta \phi)}{B(\Delta \eta, \Delta \phi)}$$

$$\begin{split} \Delta \eta &= \eta^{assoc} - \eta^{trig} \\ \Delta \phi &= \phi^{assoc} - \phi^{trig} \end{split}$$