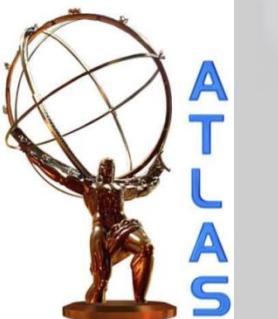




Review of Heavy-Ion Results from the CERN LHC



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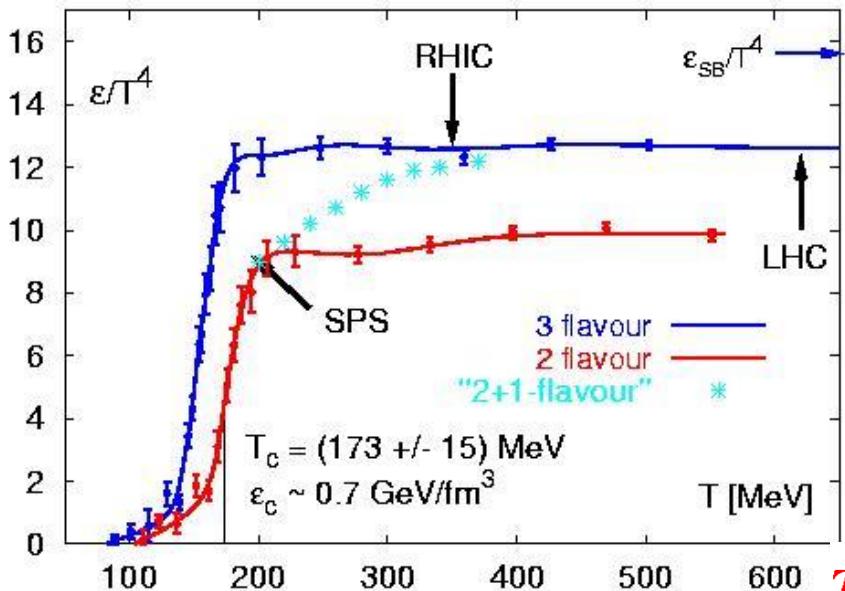
Aims of Heavy-Ion Programme



- Study strongly interacting matter at extreme energy densities over large volumes and long time-scales (**study of QCD at its natural scale, $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sim 200 \text{ MeV}$**).
- Study the **QCD phase transition** from nuclear matter to a deconfined state of quarks and gluons - **The Quark-Gluon Plasma**.
- Study the physics of the **Quark-Gluon Plasma** (QCD under extreme conditions).



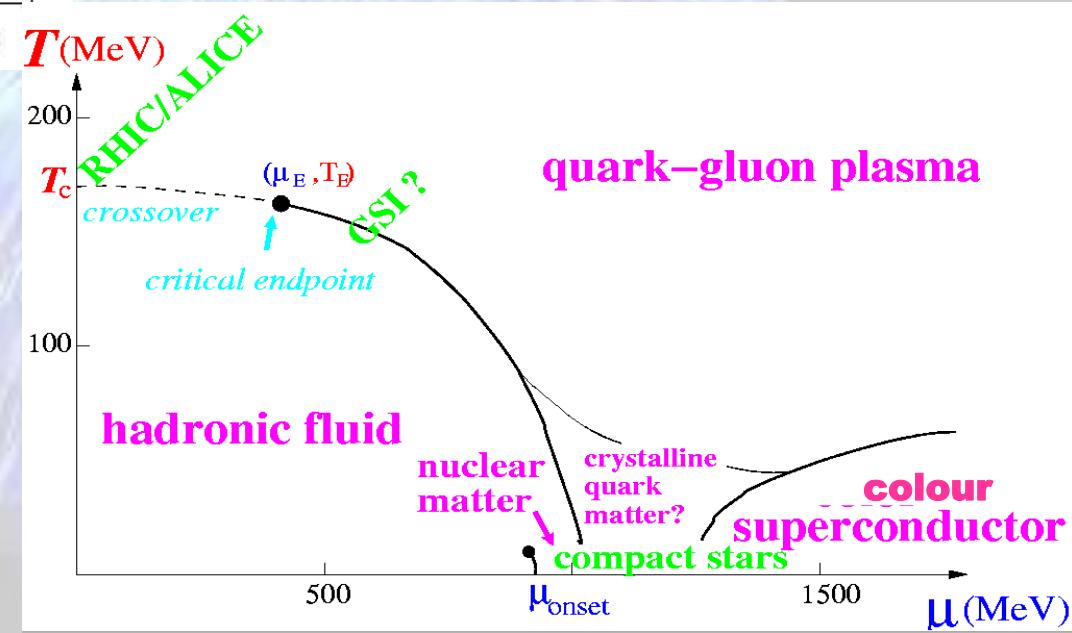
Phases of Strongly Interacting Matter



Lattice QCD, $\mu_B = 0$

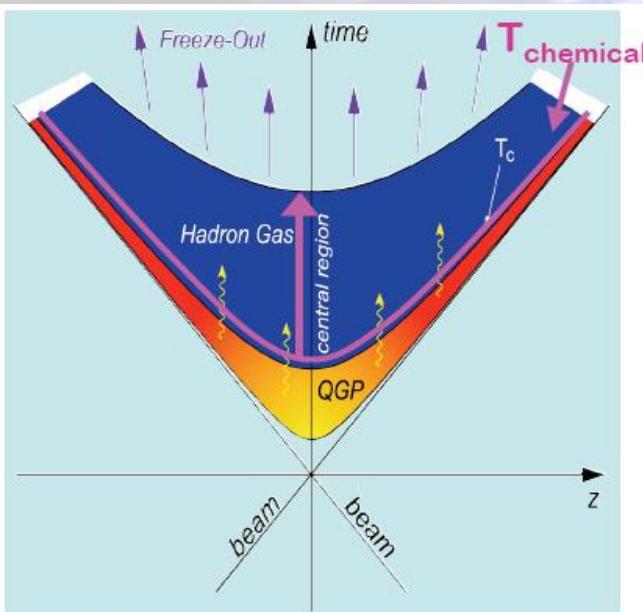
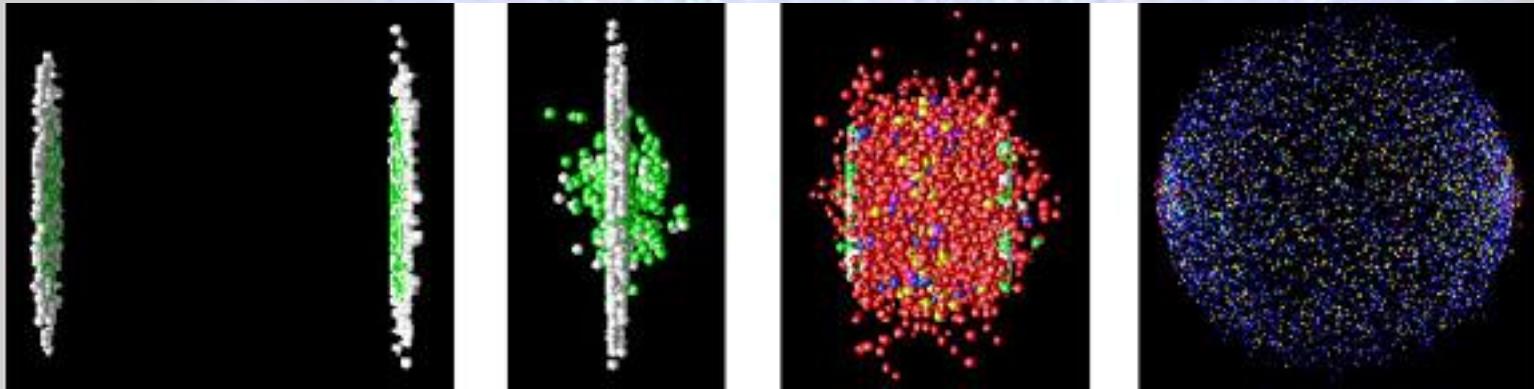
Heavy-ion collisions far exceed these temperatures & densities at the LHC.

Both statistical and lattice QCD predict that nuclear matter will undergo a phase transition, into a deconfined state of quarks and gluons – a quark-gluon plasma, at a temperature of, $T \sim 170$ MeV and energy density, $\varepsilon \sim 1$ GeV/fm³.



Heavy Ion Collisions

Create QGP by colliding ultra-relativistic heavy ions



pre-equilibration \Rightarrow QGP \Rightarrow
hadronisation \Rightarrow freeze out

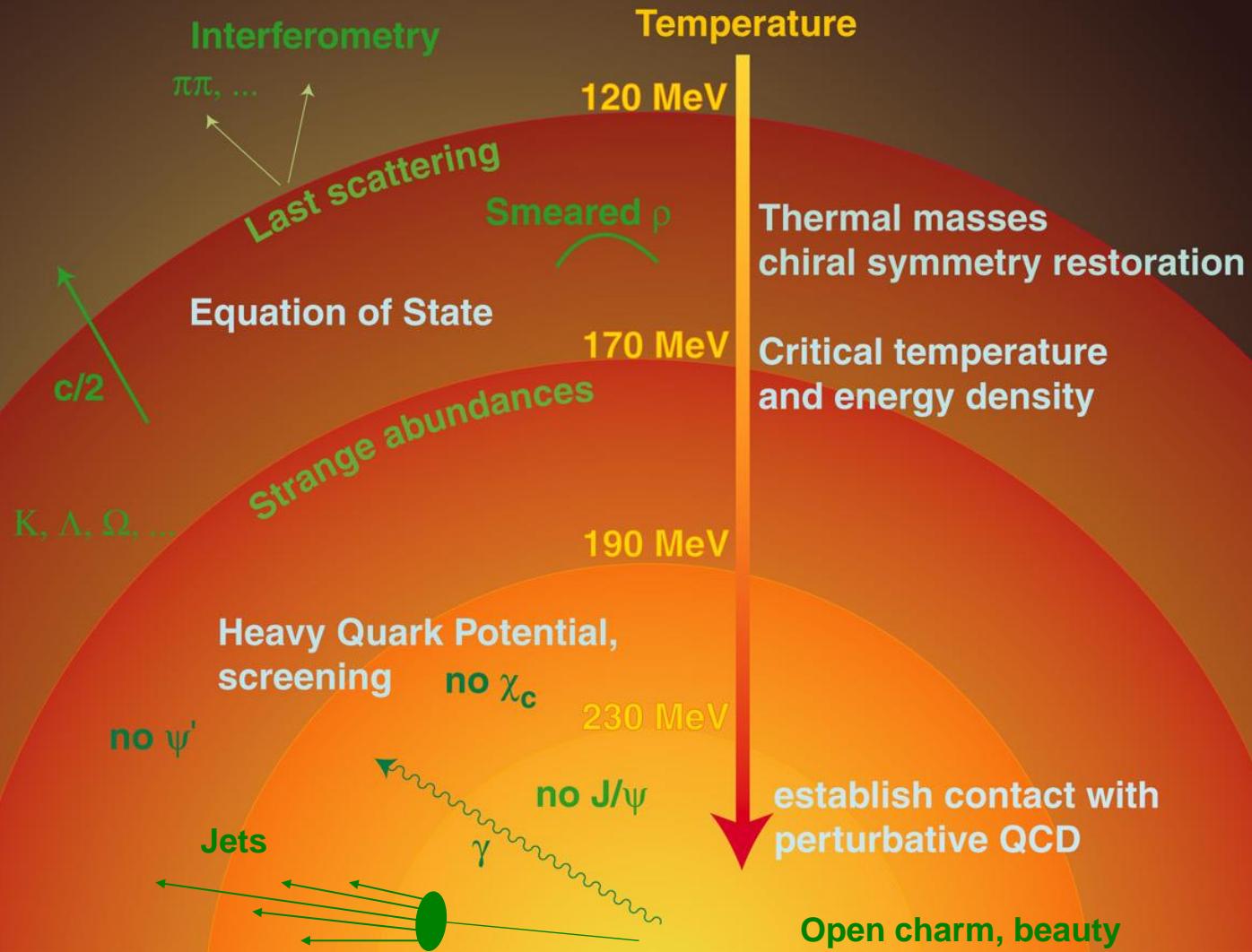
Colliders: AGS, SPS, RHIC, LHC

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} \text{ (GeV)} = \quad 5.4 \quad 19 \quad 200 \quad 2760 \text{ (5500)}$$



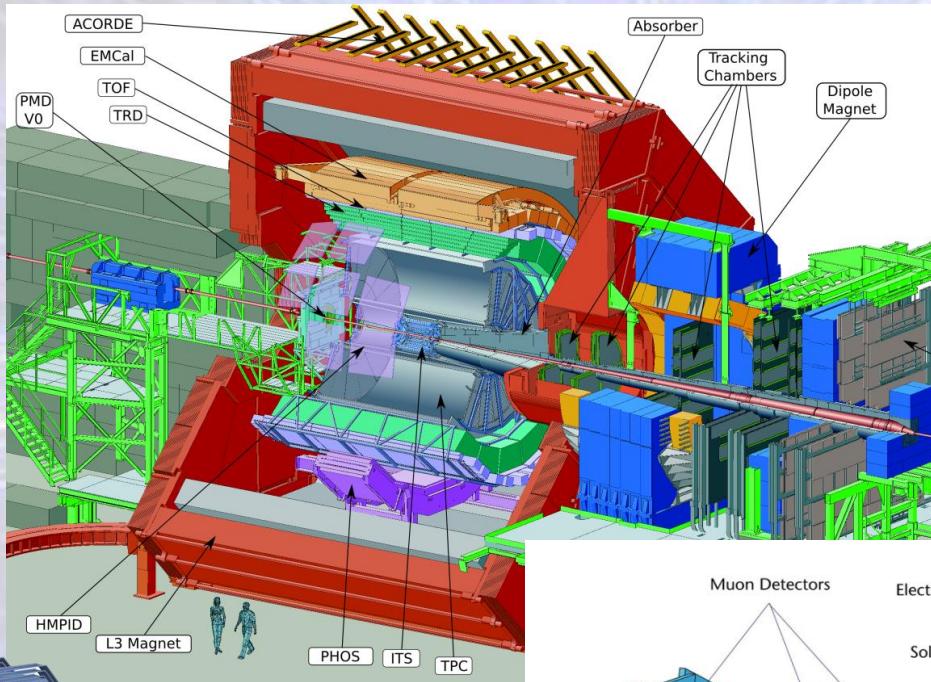
Observables

Observables - Lattice Thermodynamics

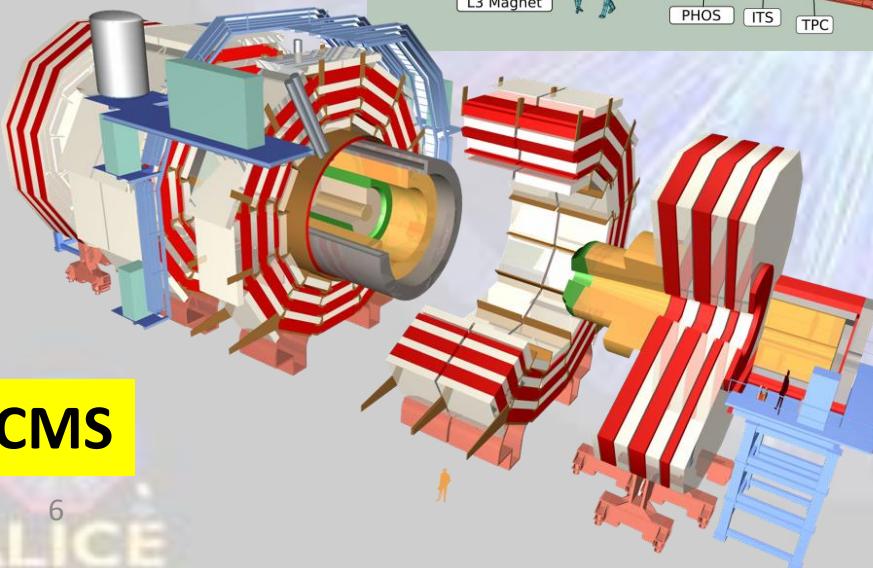




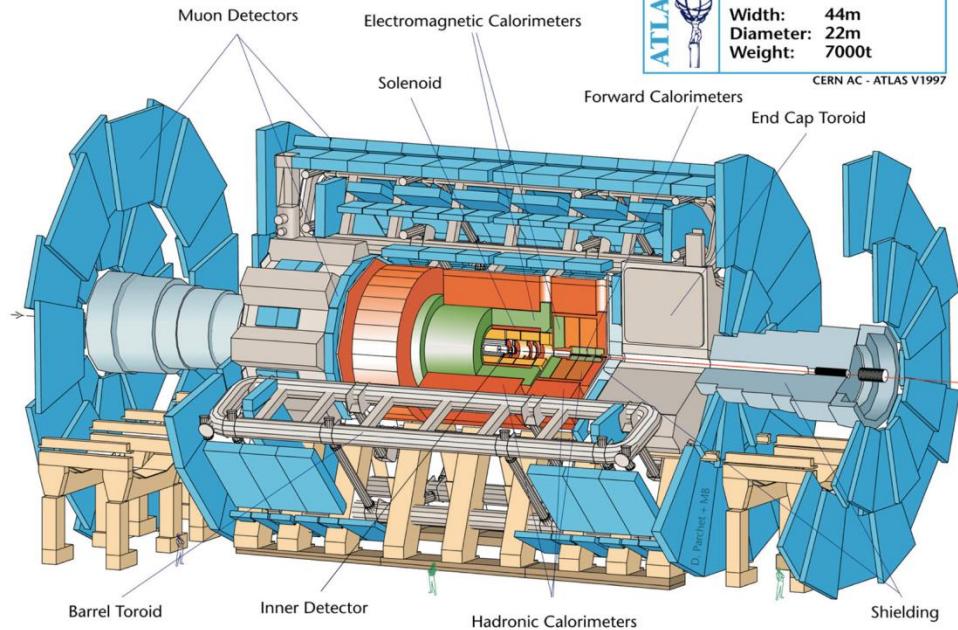
LHC Detectors



ALICE



CMS



ATLAS



Detector characteristics

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Diameter: 22m
Weight: 7000t

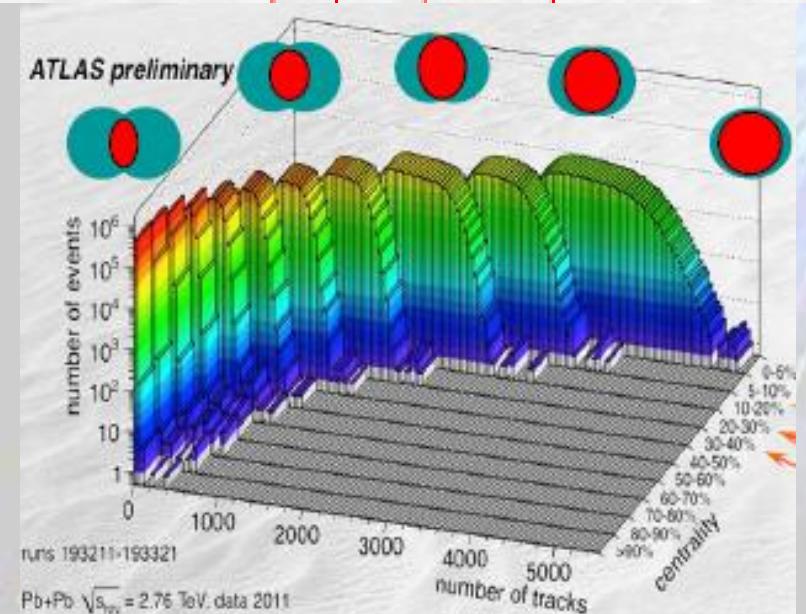
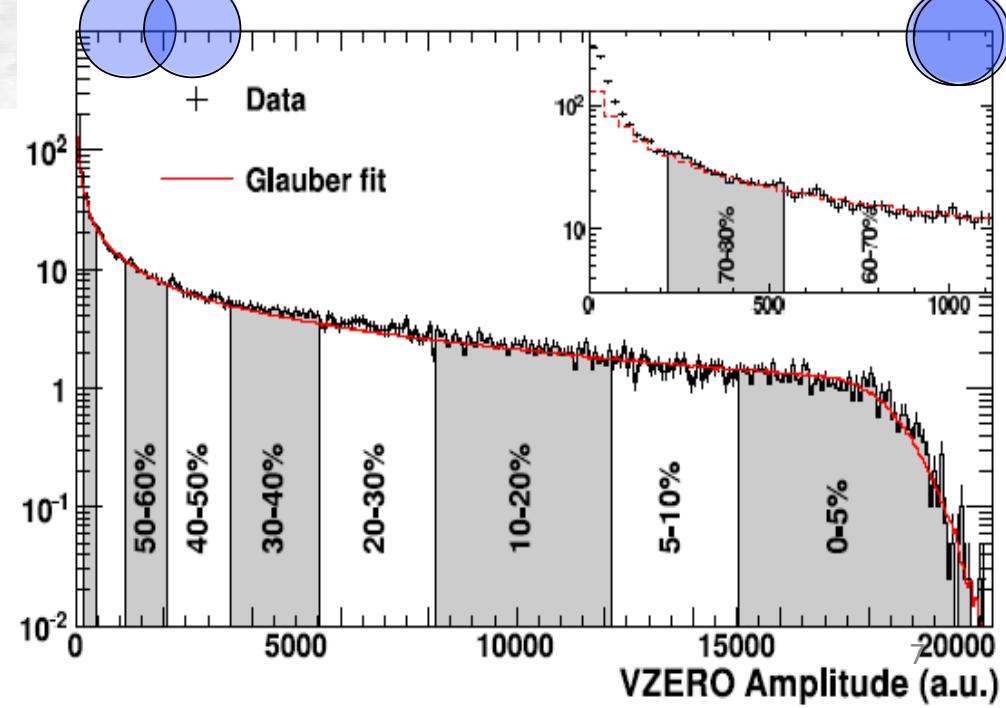
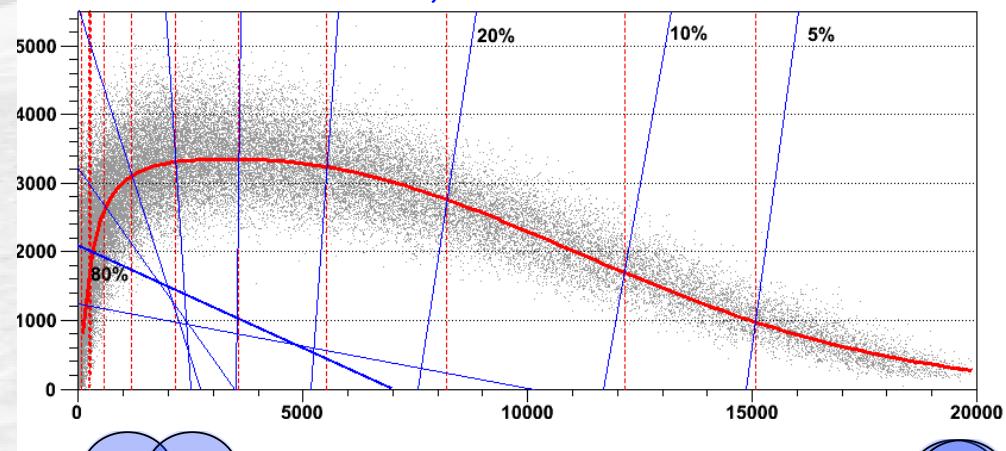
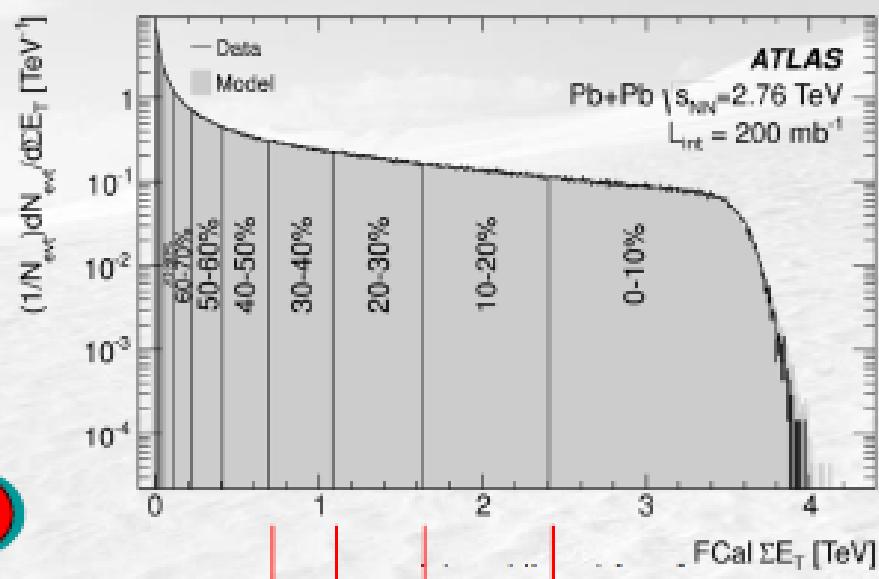
CERN AC - ATLAS V1997



Centrality Selection – Glauber Model



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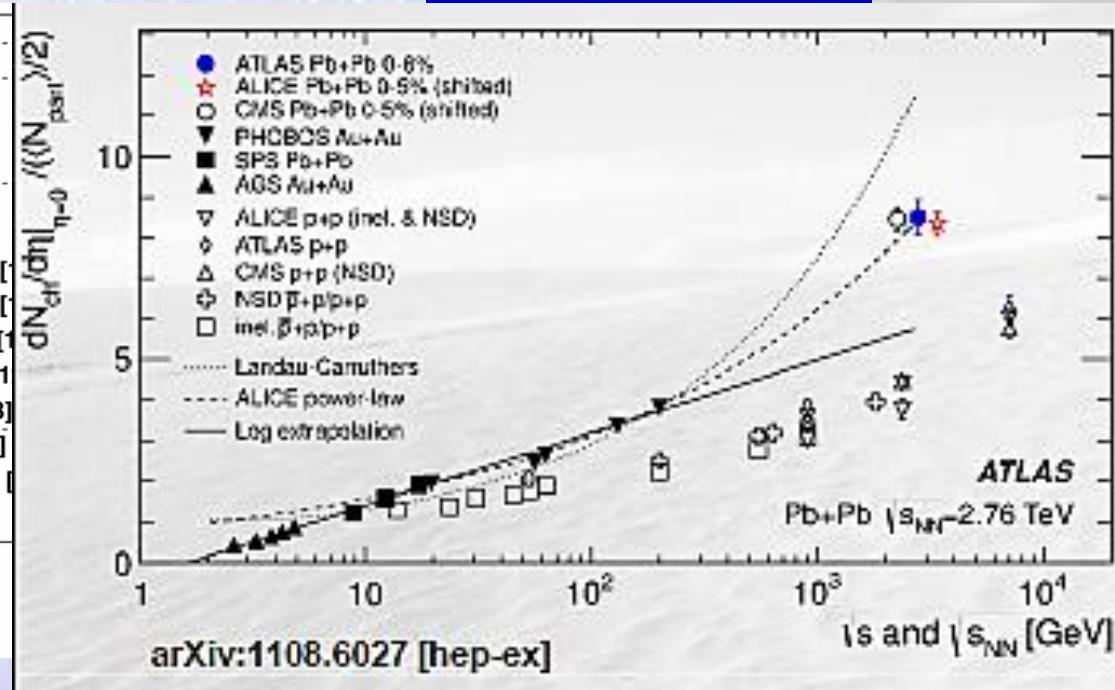
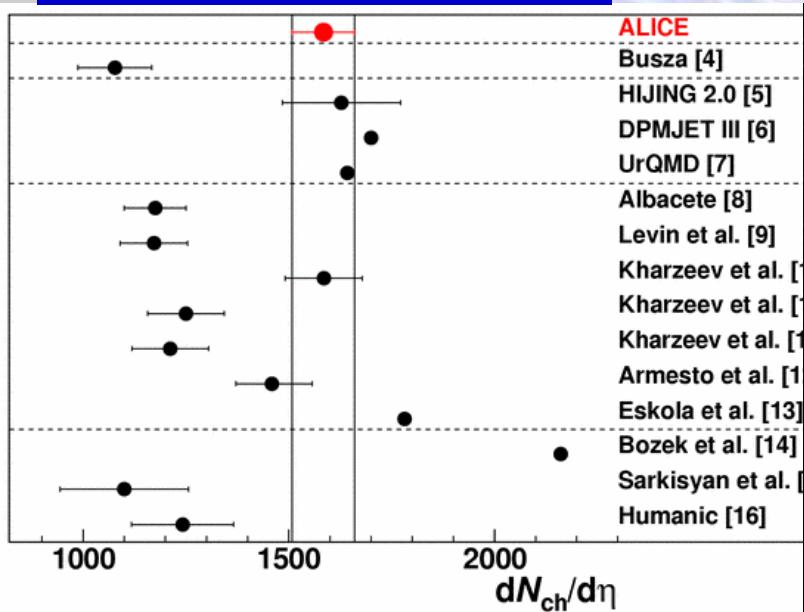
Charged Particle Multiplicity

$dN_{ch}/d\eta$ (Pb-Pb) Theory

Phys. Rev. Lett. 105, 252301 (2010)

Phys. Rev. Lett. 106, 032301 (2011)

$dN_{ch}/d\eta$ versus \sqrt{s}



$$dN_{ch}/d\eta = 1584 \pm 4 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 76 \text{ (syst.)}$$

Rises with \sqrt{s} faster than pp
Fits power law: $Pb-Pb \sim s^{0.15}$

Larger than most model predictions – good agreement between LHC experiments

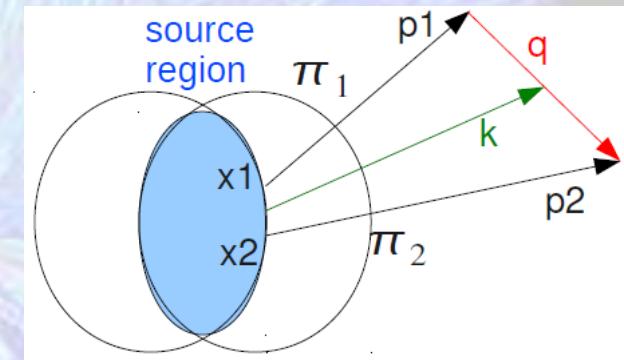
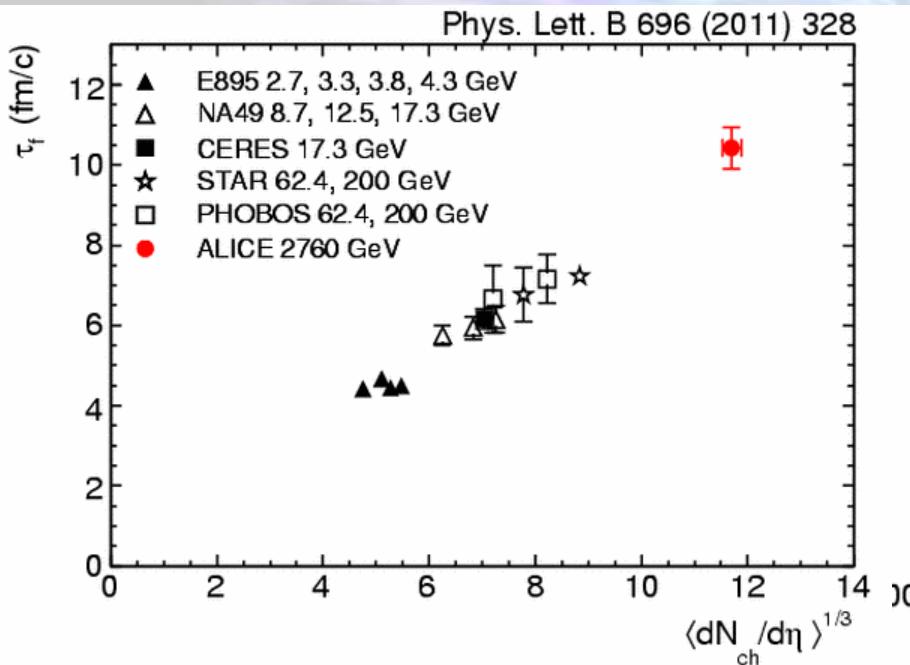
Bjorken formula estimates energy density, $\epsilon > 15 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$ (3 x RHIC)



Bose–Einstein correlations (HBT)

QM enhancement of identical Bosons at small momentum difference

enhancement of e.g. like-sign pions at low momentum difference $q_{\text{inv}} = |\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2|$,



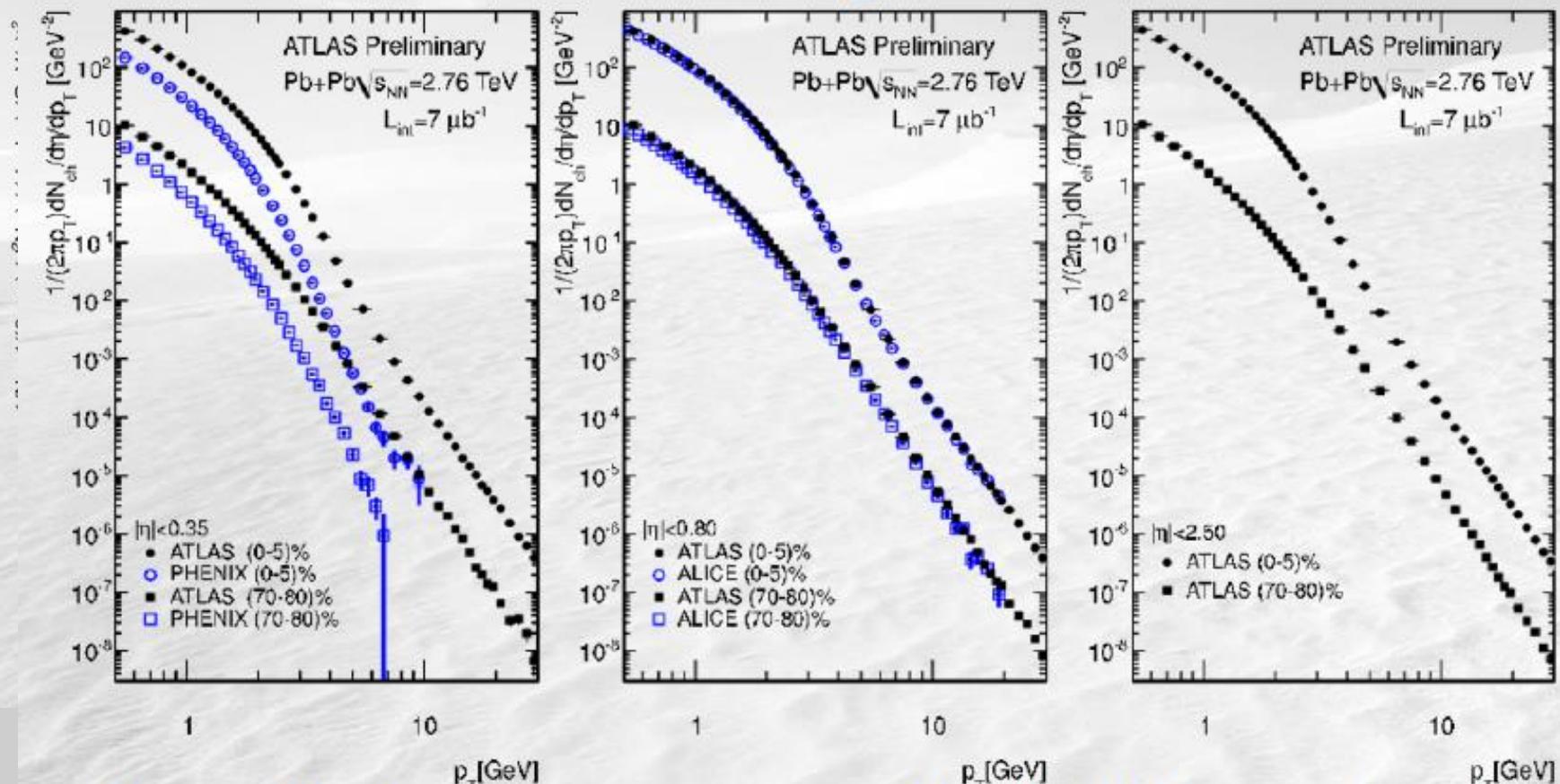
- medium size: 2x larger than at RHIC
 - $R_{\text{out}} R_{\text{side}} R_{\text{long}} \sim 300 \text{ fm}^3$
 - Volume $\sim 5000 \text{ fm}^3$
- medium life time: 40% longer than at RHIC
 - $\tau \sim 10-11 \text{ fm/c}$

ALICE, Phys. Lett. B 696 (2011) 328.



Particle spectra

LHC results agree well between experiments



Very significant changes in slope compared to RHIC

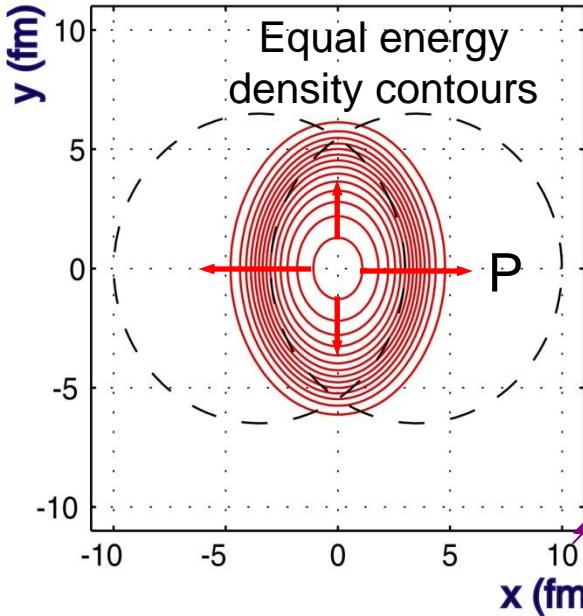
Good agree between experiments e.g. ALICE/ATLAS in this case



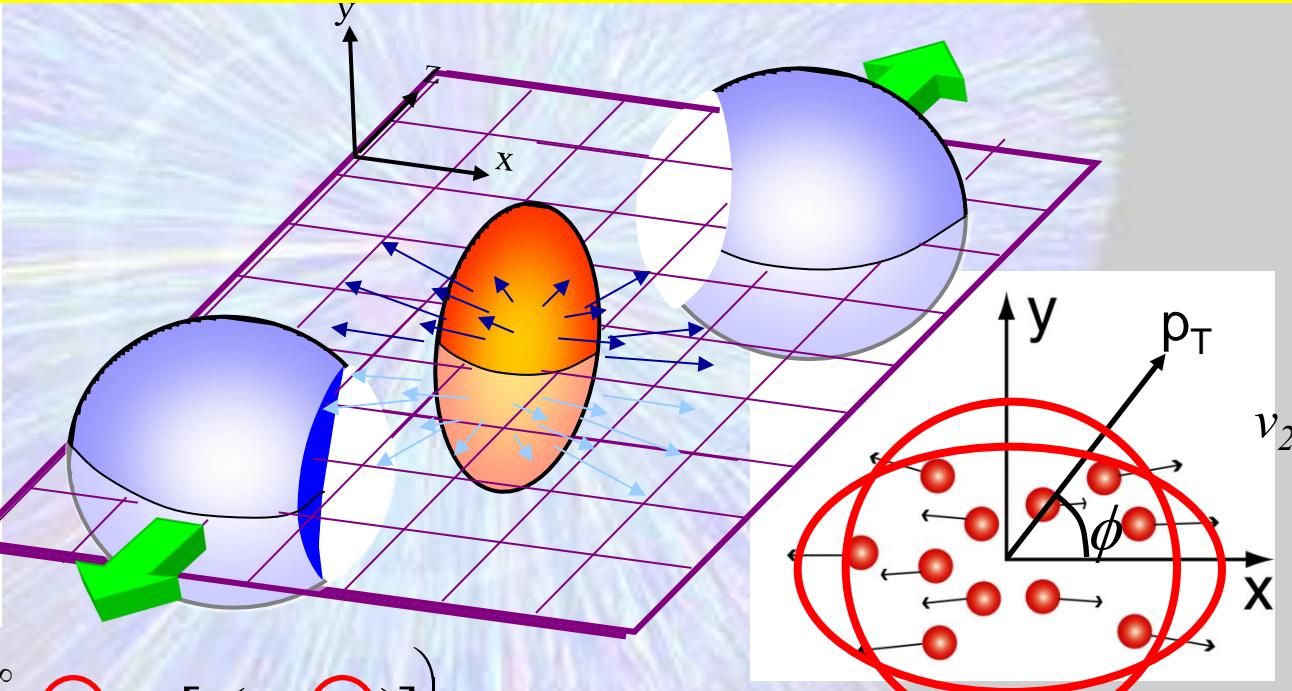
Does QGP have elliptic Flow?



Pb + Pb, $b = 7$ fm



Study angular dependence of emitted particles



$$E \frac{d^3N}{d^3p} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d^2N}{p_T dp_T dy} \left(1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2v_n \cos[n(\phi - \Psi_n)] \right)$$

Fourier coefficient

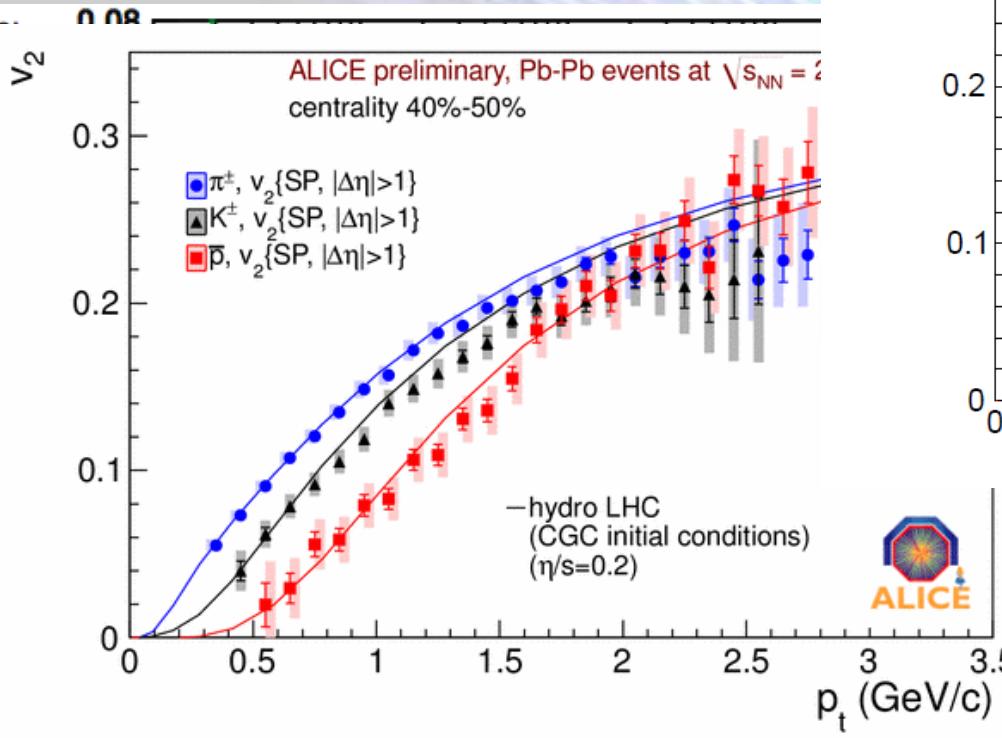
Angle of reaction plane

$$v_2 = \langle \cos 2\phi \rangle$$

\mathbf{V}_1 = directed flow. \mathbf{V}_2 = elliptic flow.



Elliptic flow

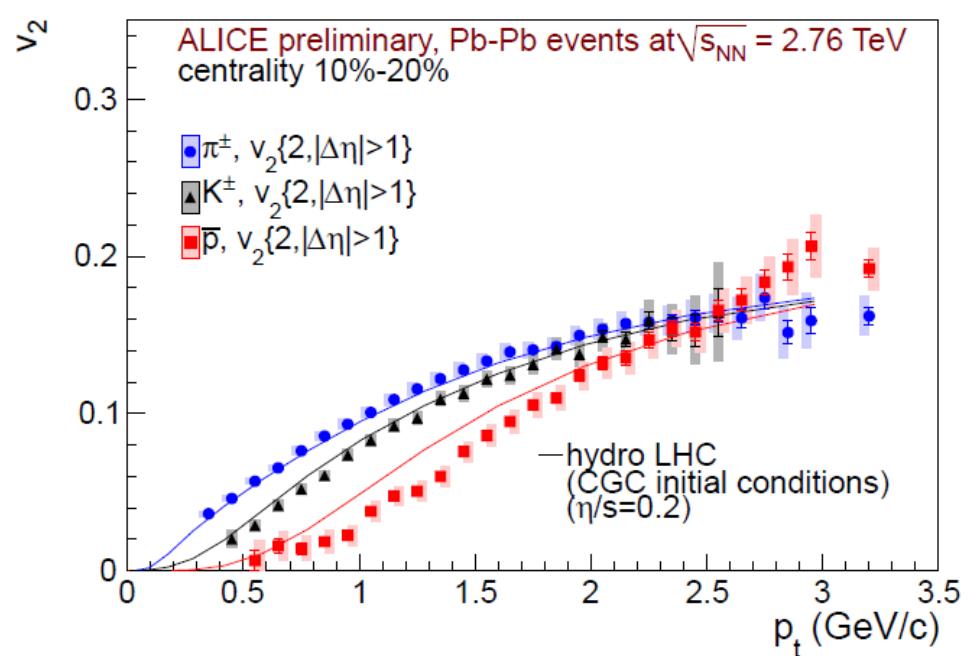


ALI-PREL-2457

p_t (GeV/c)

ALICE, Phys. Rev. Lett. 105 (2010) 252302.

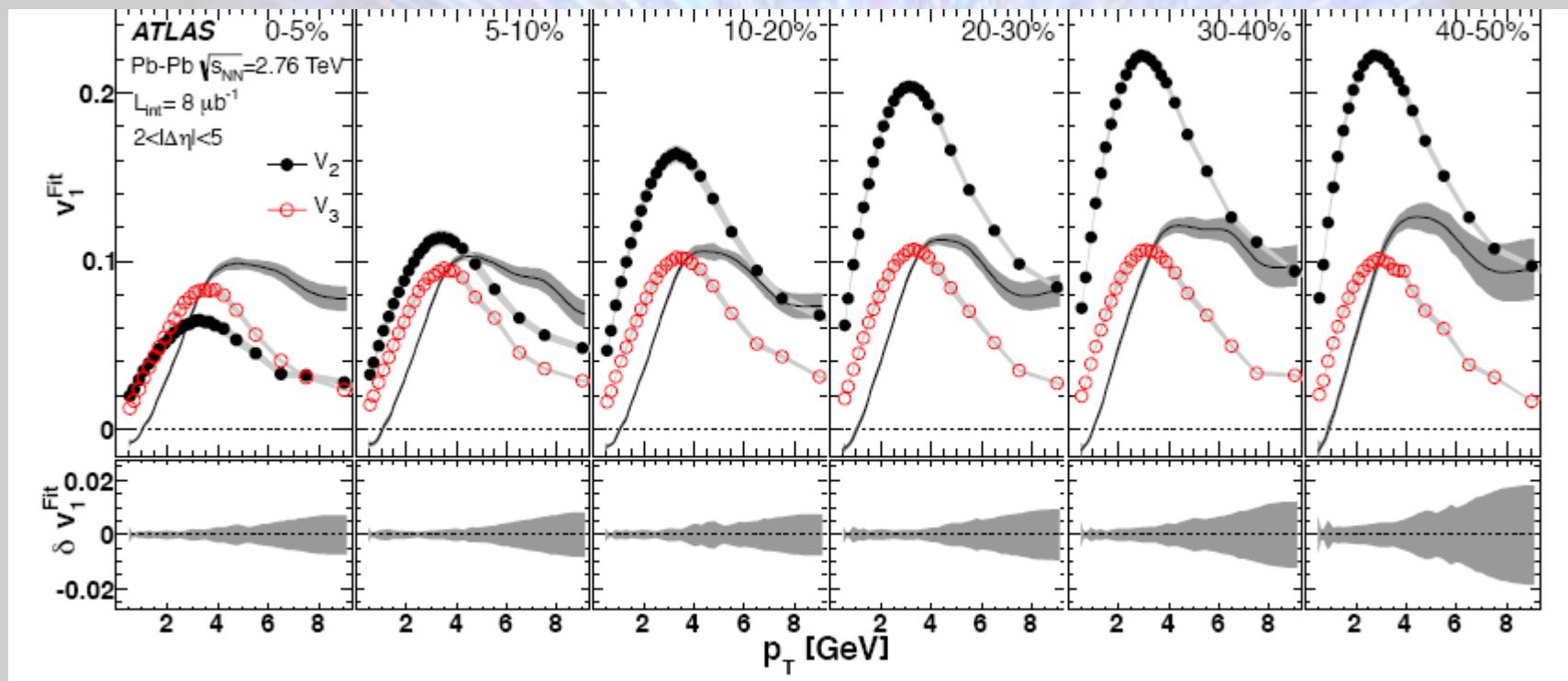
Hydro-calcs.: Shen, Heinz, Huovinen and Song, arXiv:1105.3226.



➤ π, K reproduced by hydro calculation
➤ p ok for semi-peripheral but is a remaining challenge for central collisions



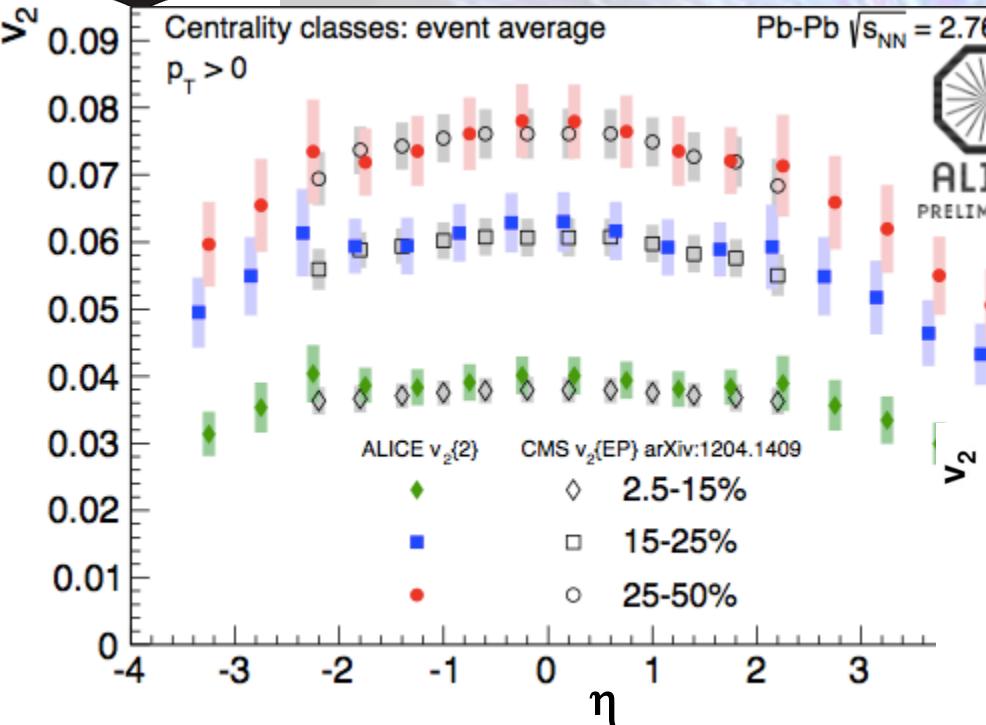
Flow vs Centrality



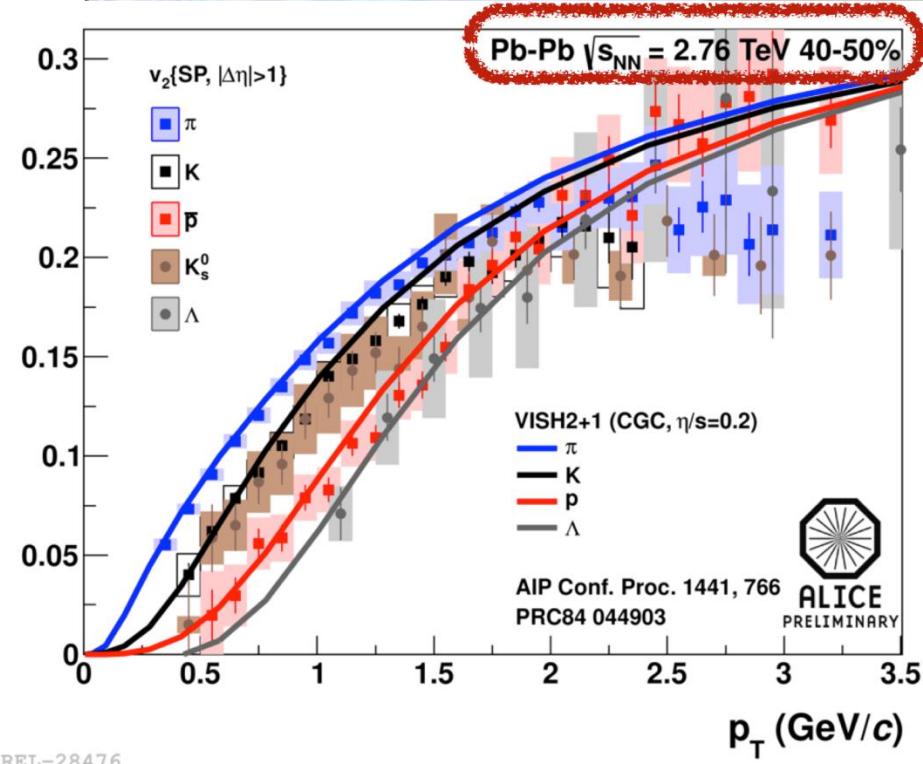
Flow strongest for semi-peripheral collisions (central collisions too symmetric).



Elliptic Flow



- v_2 decreases with centrality (as expected)
- ALICE and CMS data agree



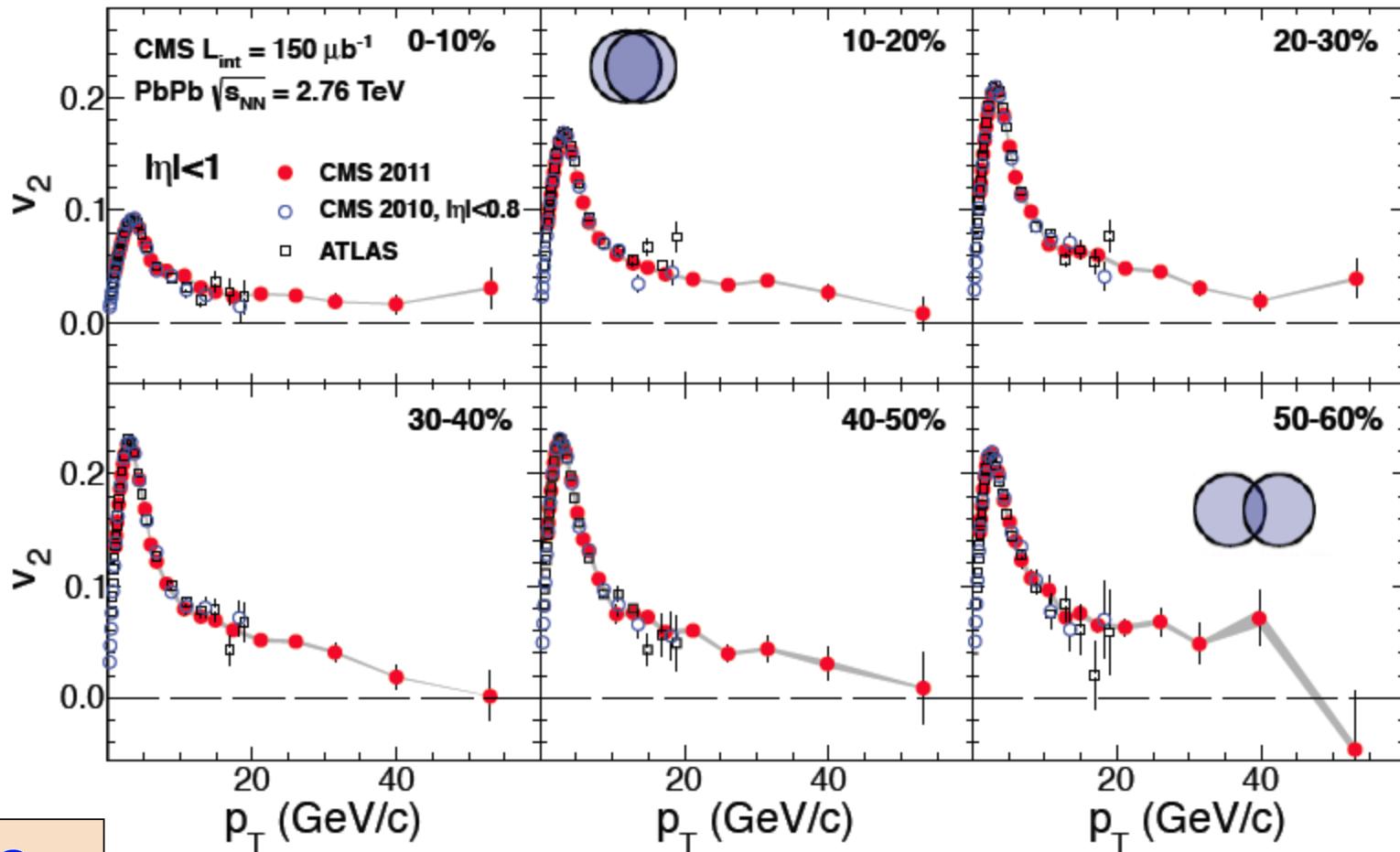
v_2 and spectra show clear mass ordering, in AA, expected in collective expansion scenario: elliptic and radial flow



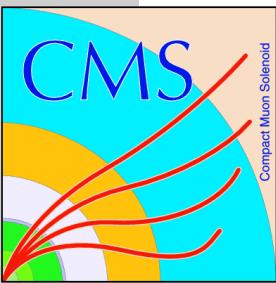
V_2 at High P_T



arXiv:1204.1850



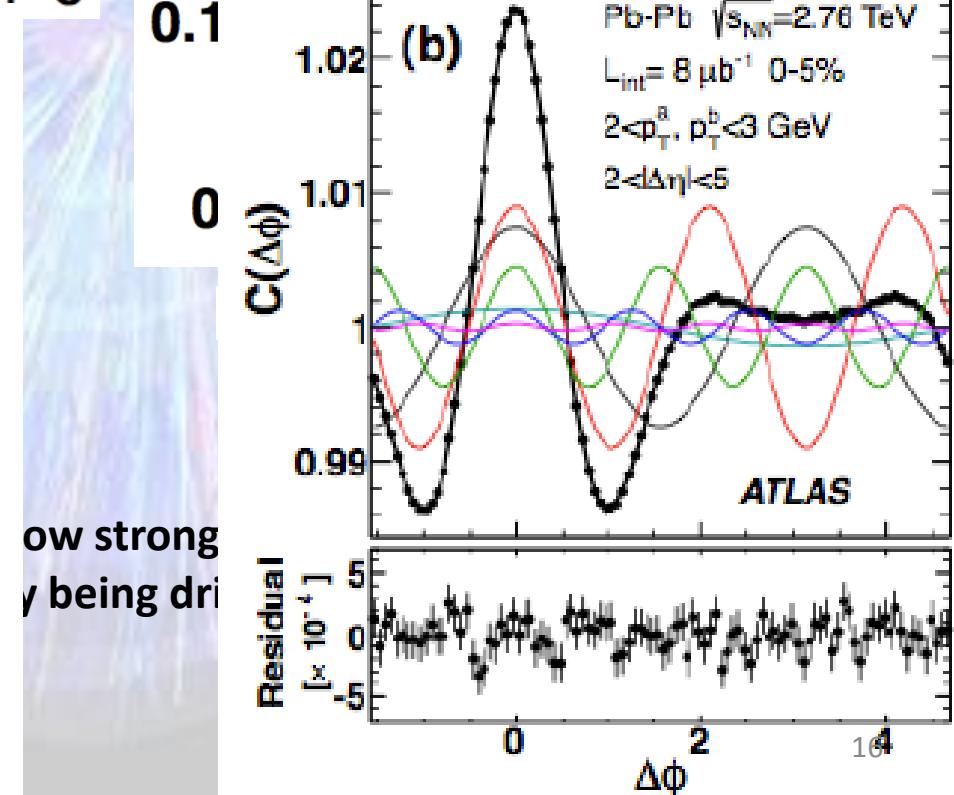
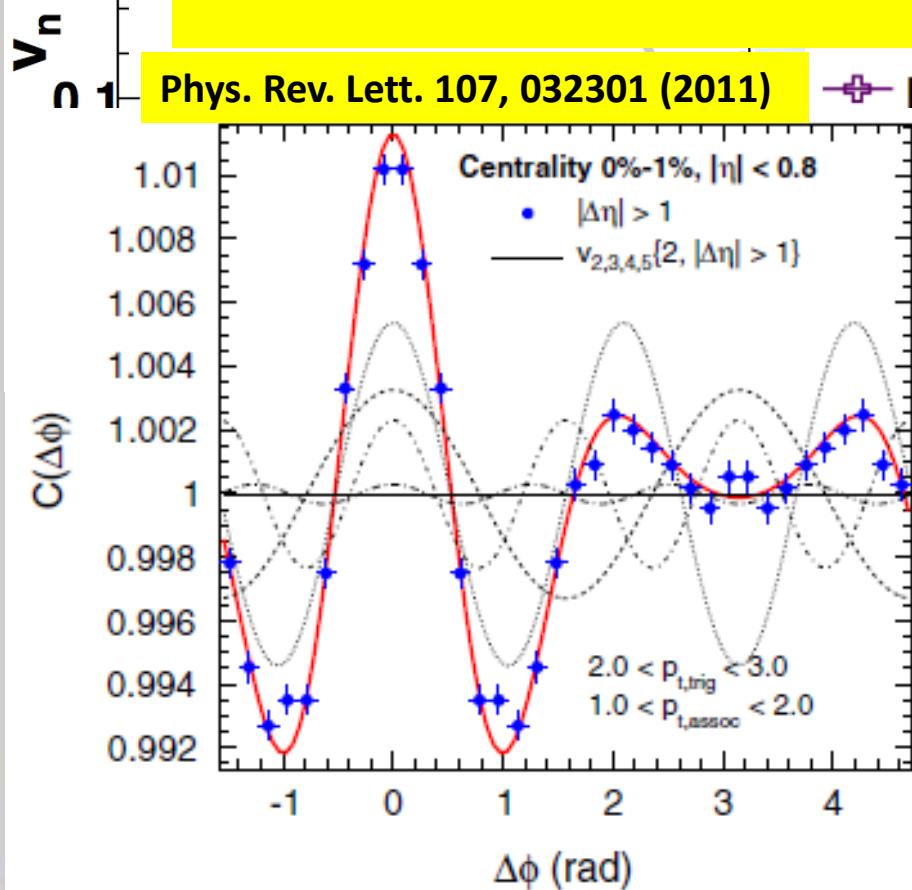
V_2 drops to zero at high P_T





Elliptic Flow – Higher Orders

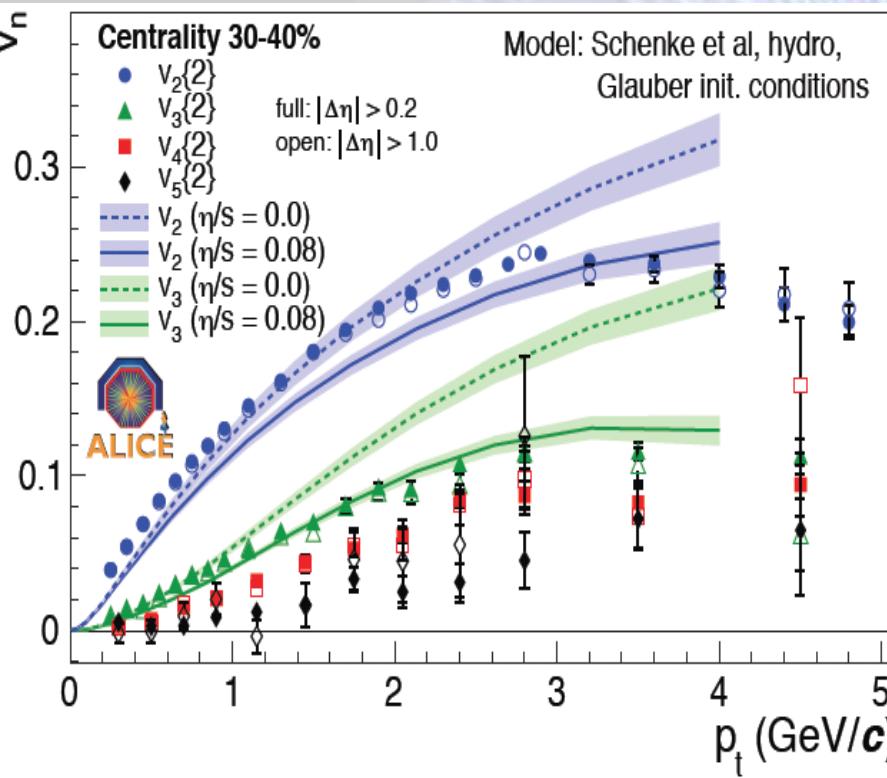
Superposition of flow harmonics, including higher orders, is sufficient to describe Ridge and Cone effects without implying medium response.



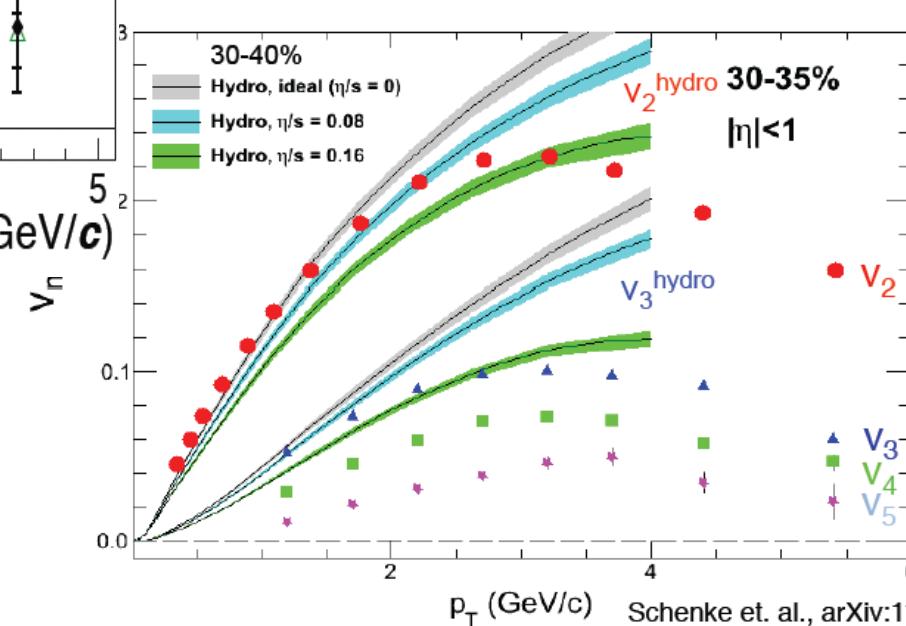
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Full Harmonic Spectrum

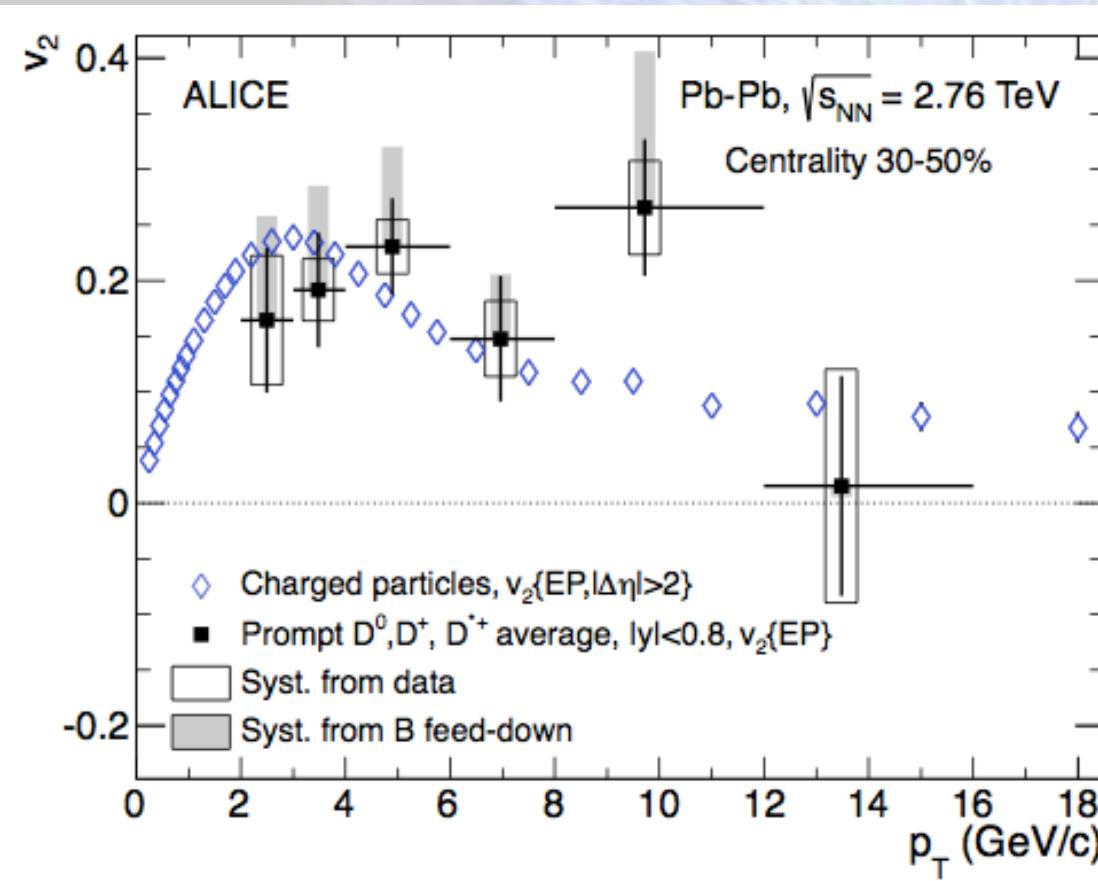


Measure multi V_n - Over-constrain Hydro Models to get η/s , initial conditions etc.





Elliptic Flow Charm



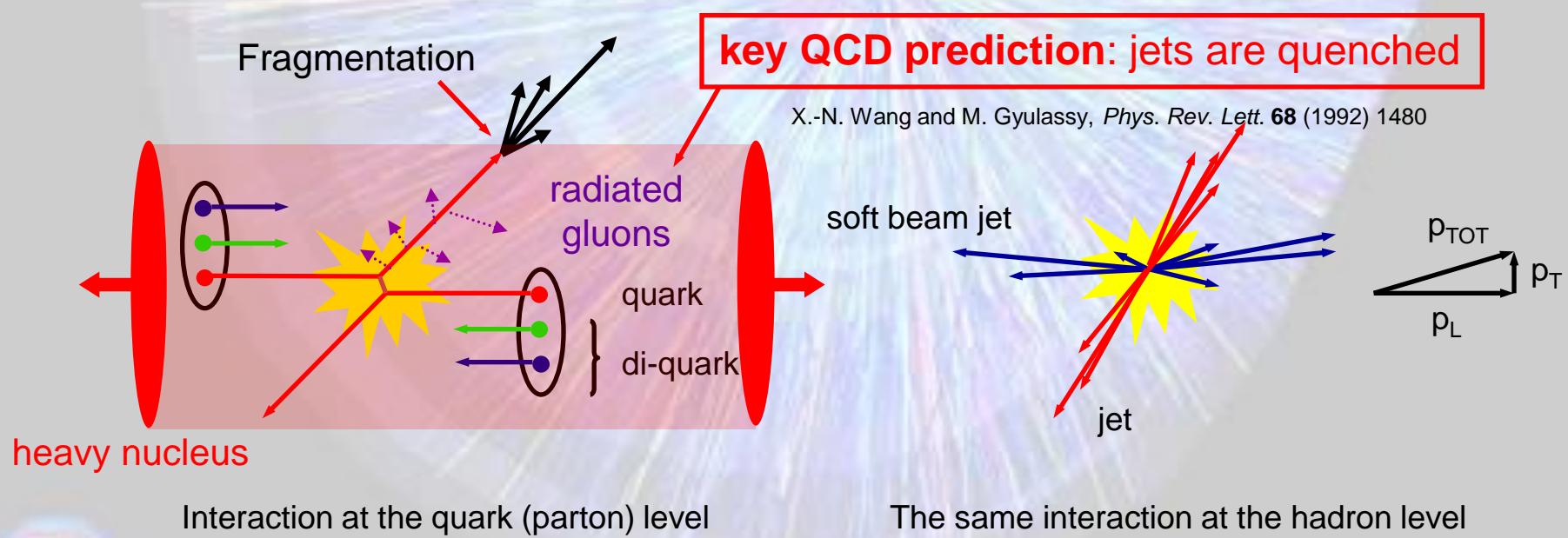
- Non zero D meson v_2 (3σ in $2 < p_T < 6 \text{ GeV}/c$)
- Comparable with charged hadrons elliptic flow



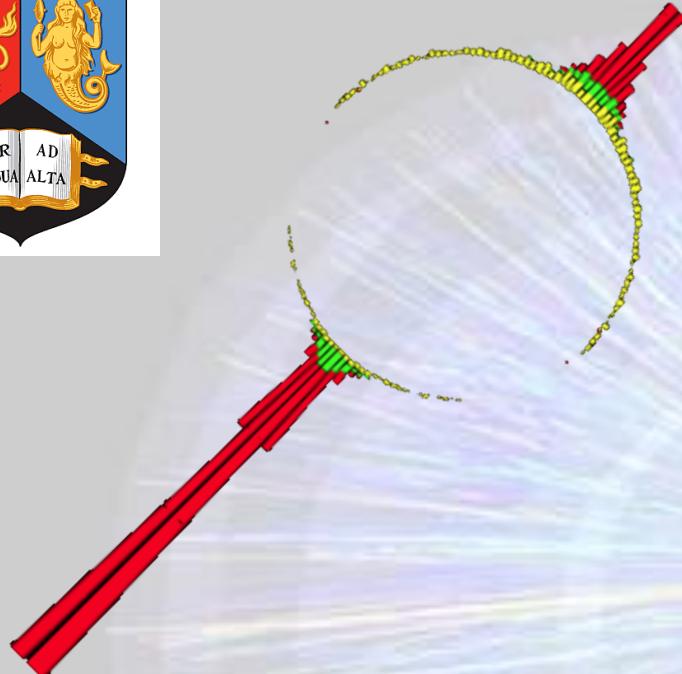
Jets in heavy ion collisions

- Studying deconfinement with jets

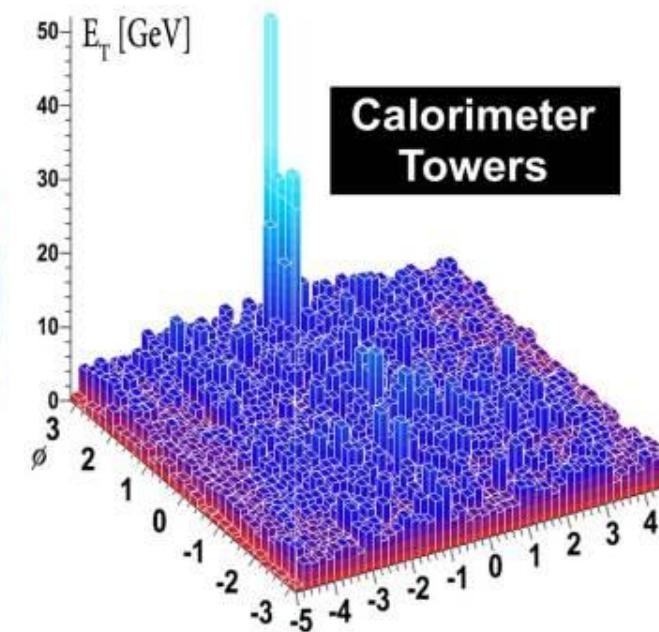
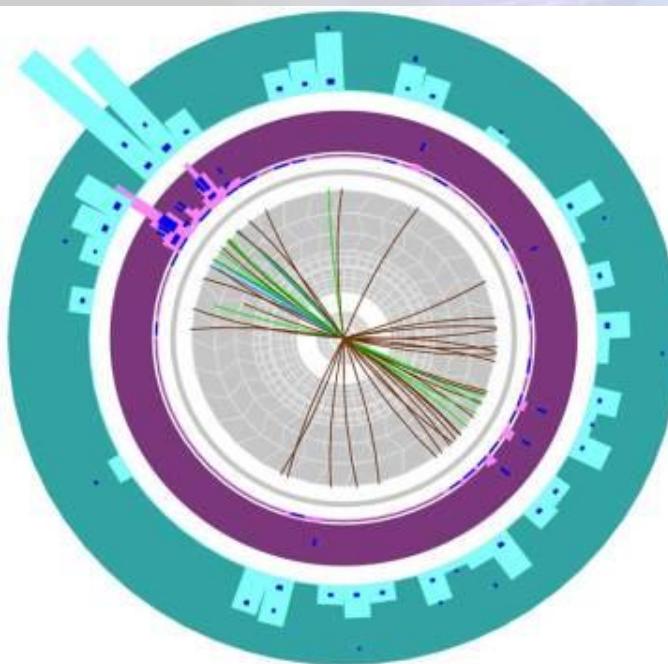
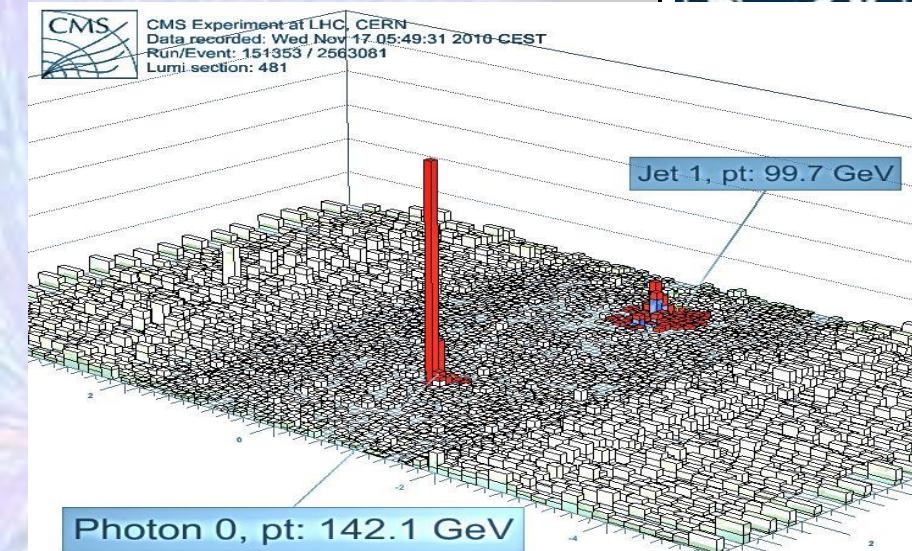
Free quarks not allowed
when quark, anti-quark pairs are produced they fly apart
producing back-to-back ‘jets’ of particles



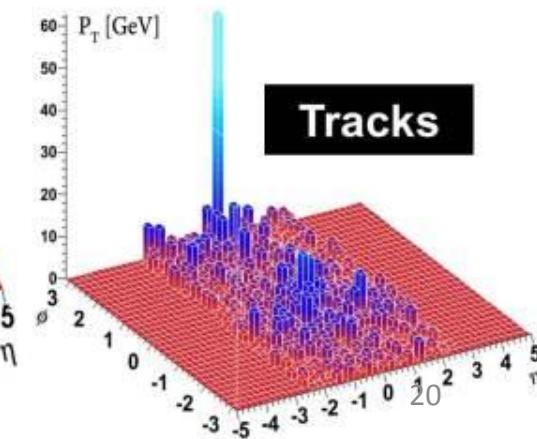
Quarks remain free in QGP and lose energy while travelling through



JETS

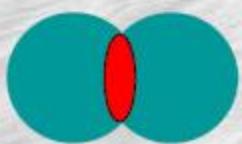
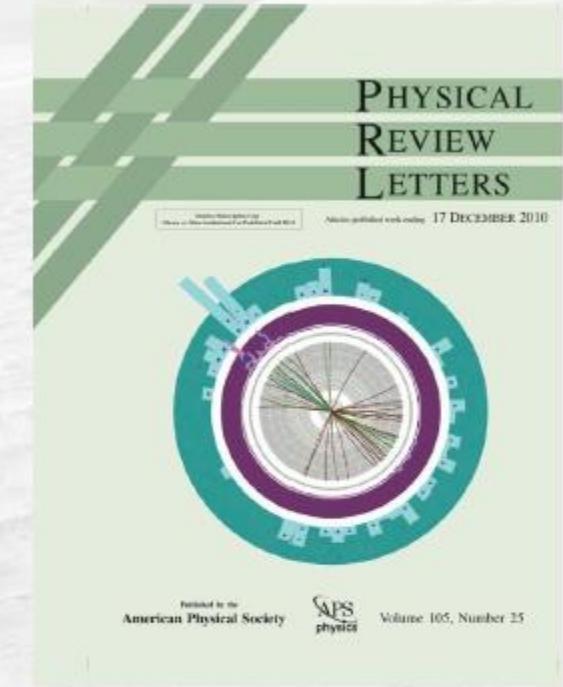
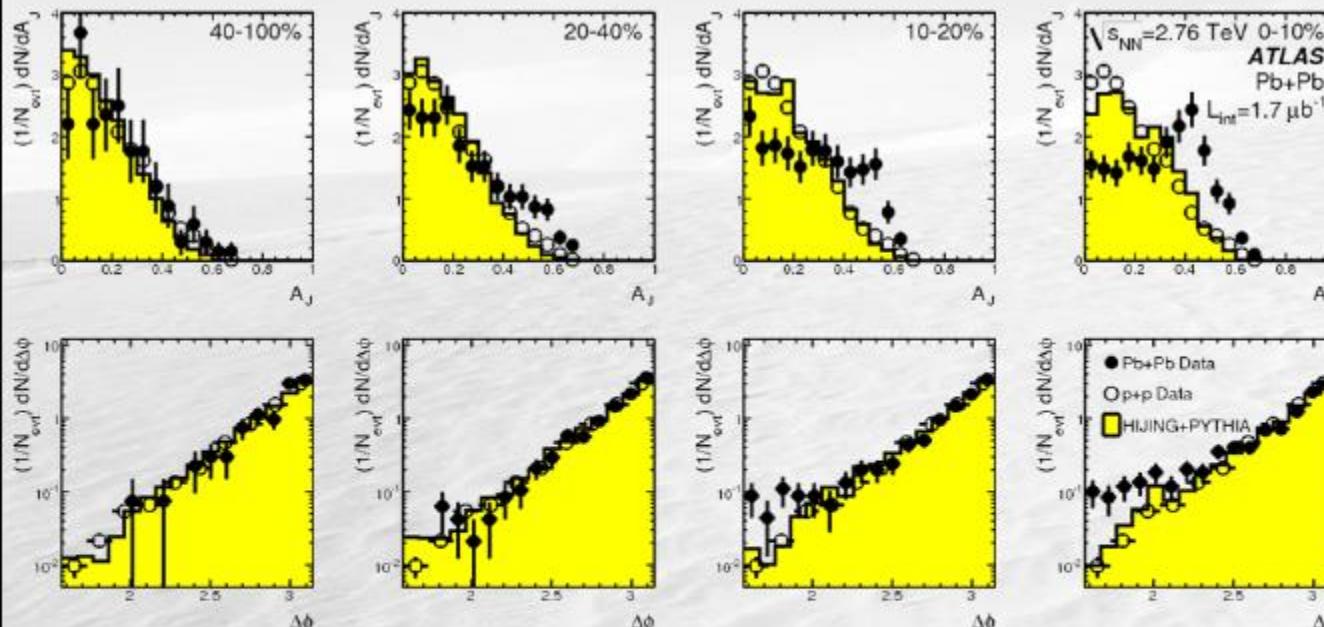


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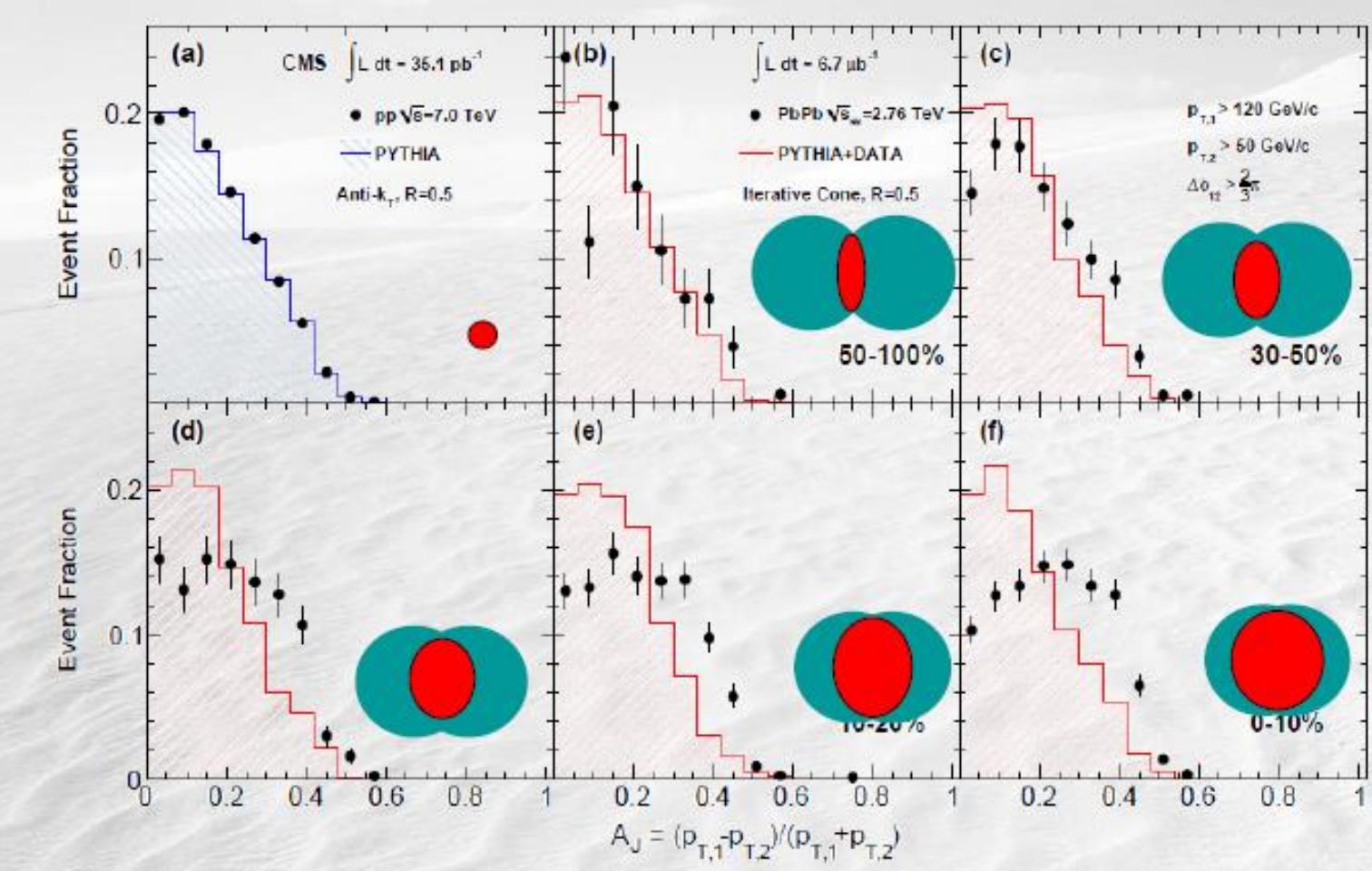
Jet Suppression



Significant imbalance between leading and sub-leading jets for central collisions



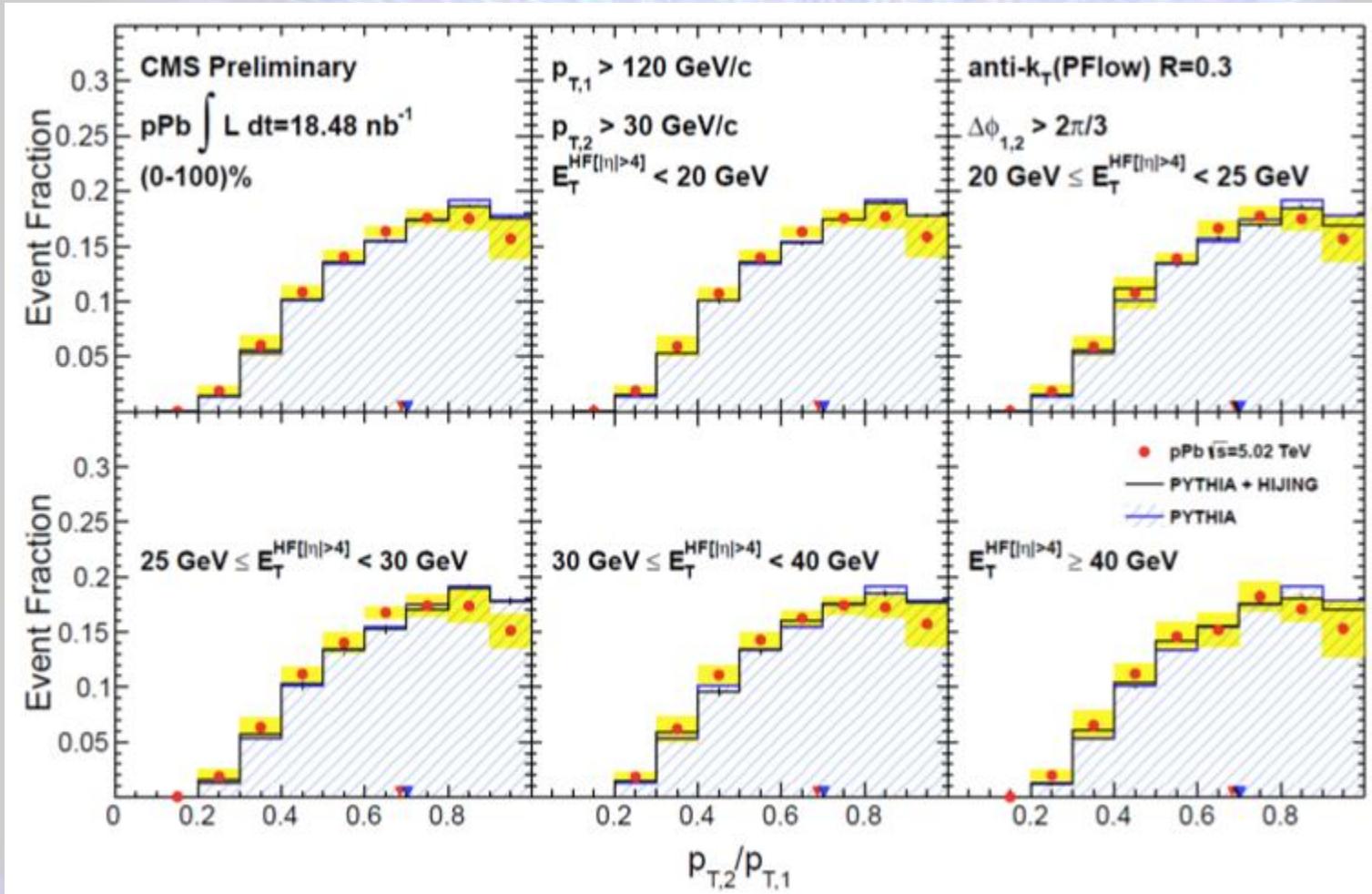
Jet Suppression



Also seen by CMS



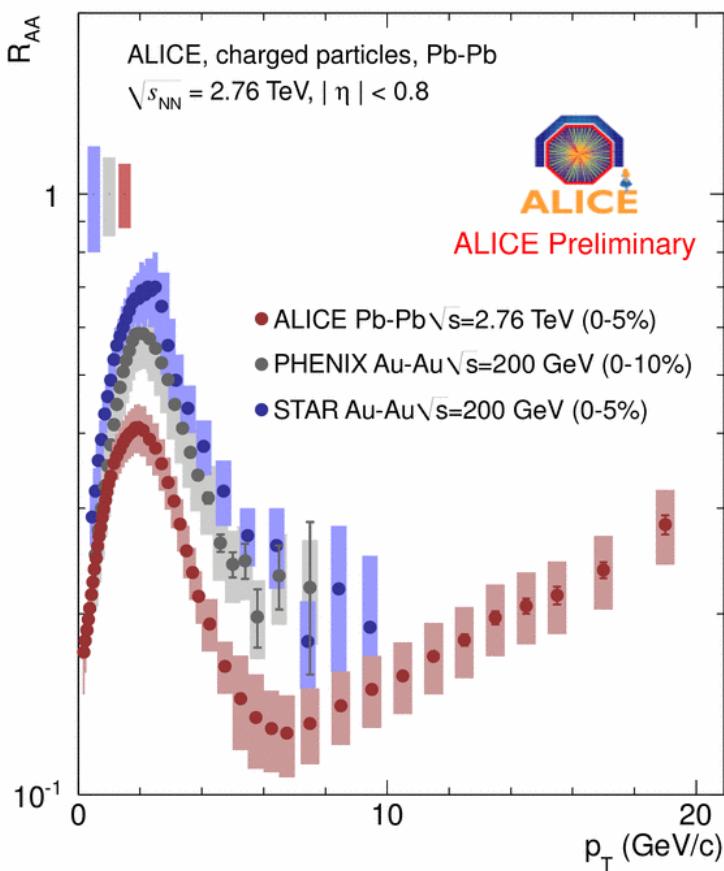
No Jet Suppression in p-Pb





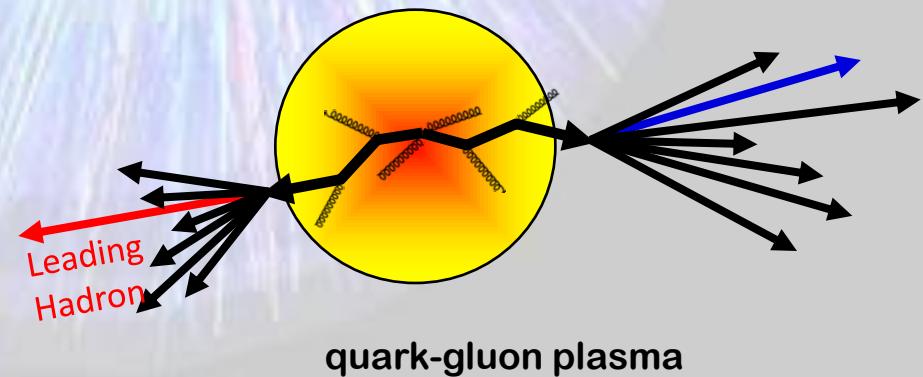
Nuclear Modification Factor

Divide p_T spectra in Pb-Pb by p-p
(with suitable normalisation factor)



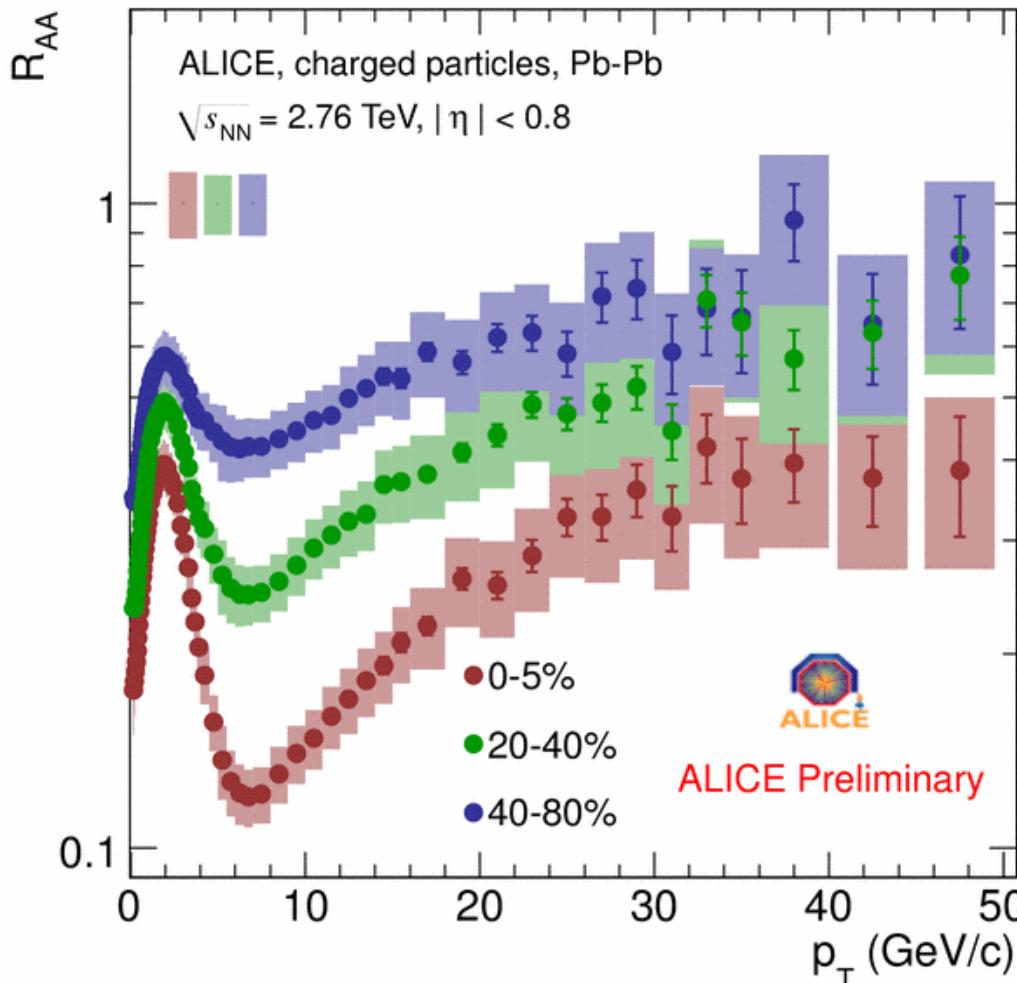
$$R_{AA}^D(p_T) = \frac{d\sigma_{AA}^D / dp_T}{< N_{coll} > \times d\sigma_{pp}^D / dp_T}$$

- particle interaction with medium
- stronger suppression at LHC
- ~factor 7 at 7 GeV/c





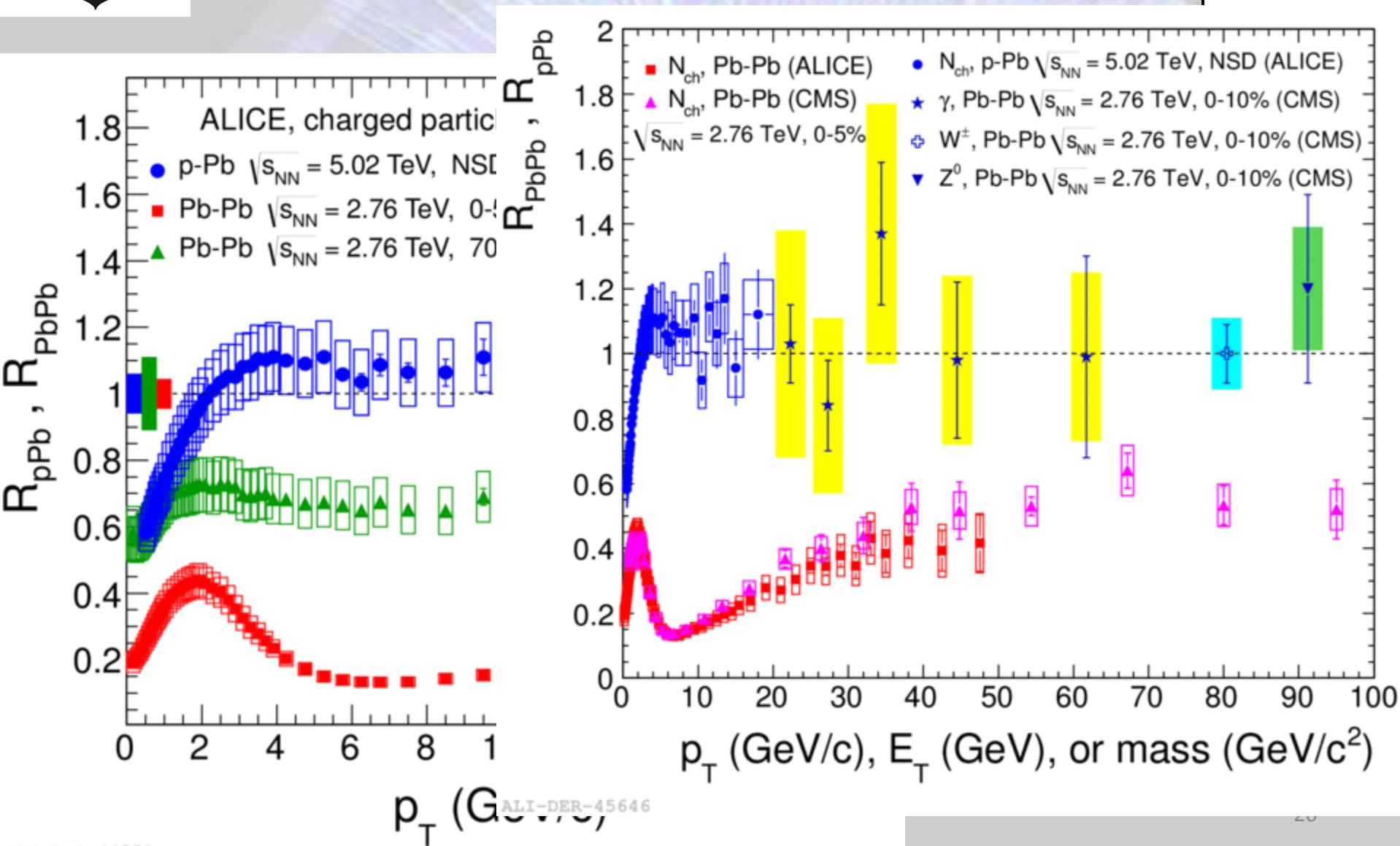
R_{AA} vs centrality



- Suppression increases with centrality.
- Minimum remains around 6-7 GeV/c

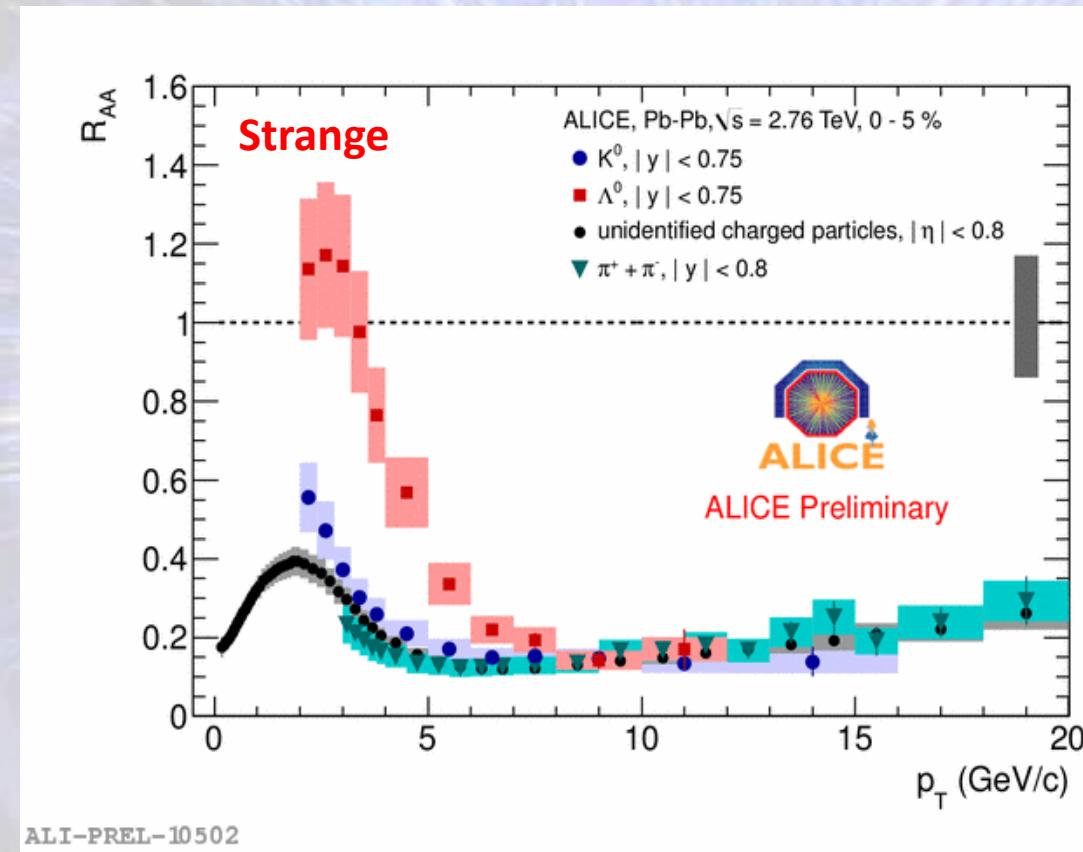


R_{pA} & R_{AA} for γ s, Ws & Zs





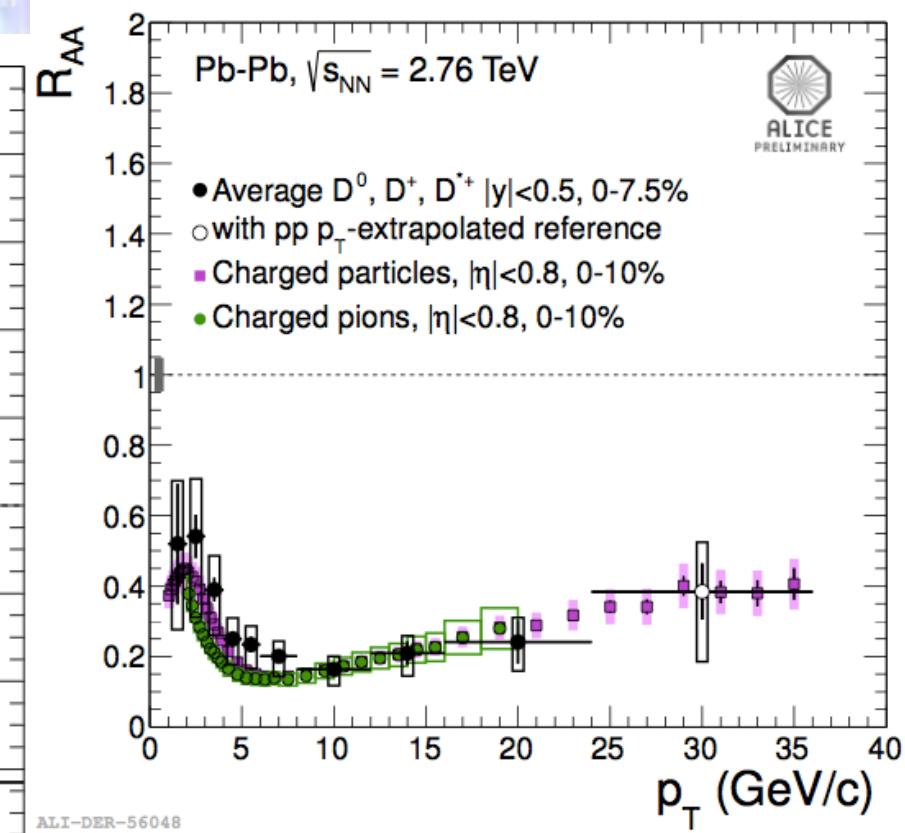
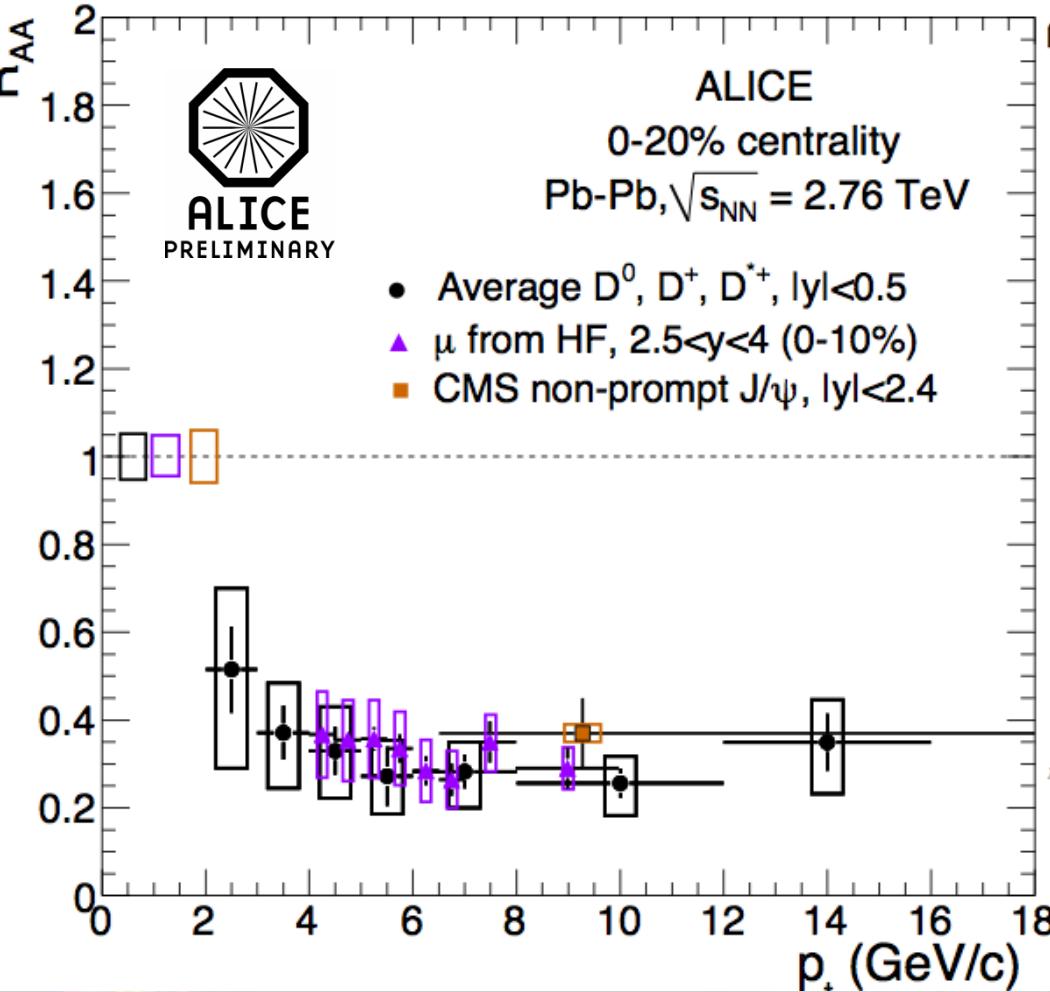
R_{AA} for different particles



- For hadrons containing heavy quarks, smaller suppression expected
- Enhancement of Λ/K clearly seen
- At high p_T ($>8-10$ GeV/c) R_{AA} universality for light hadrons



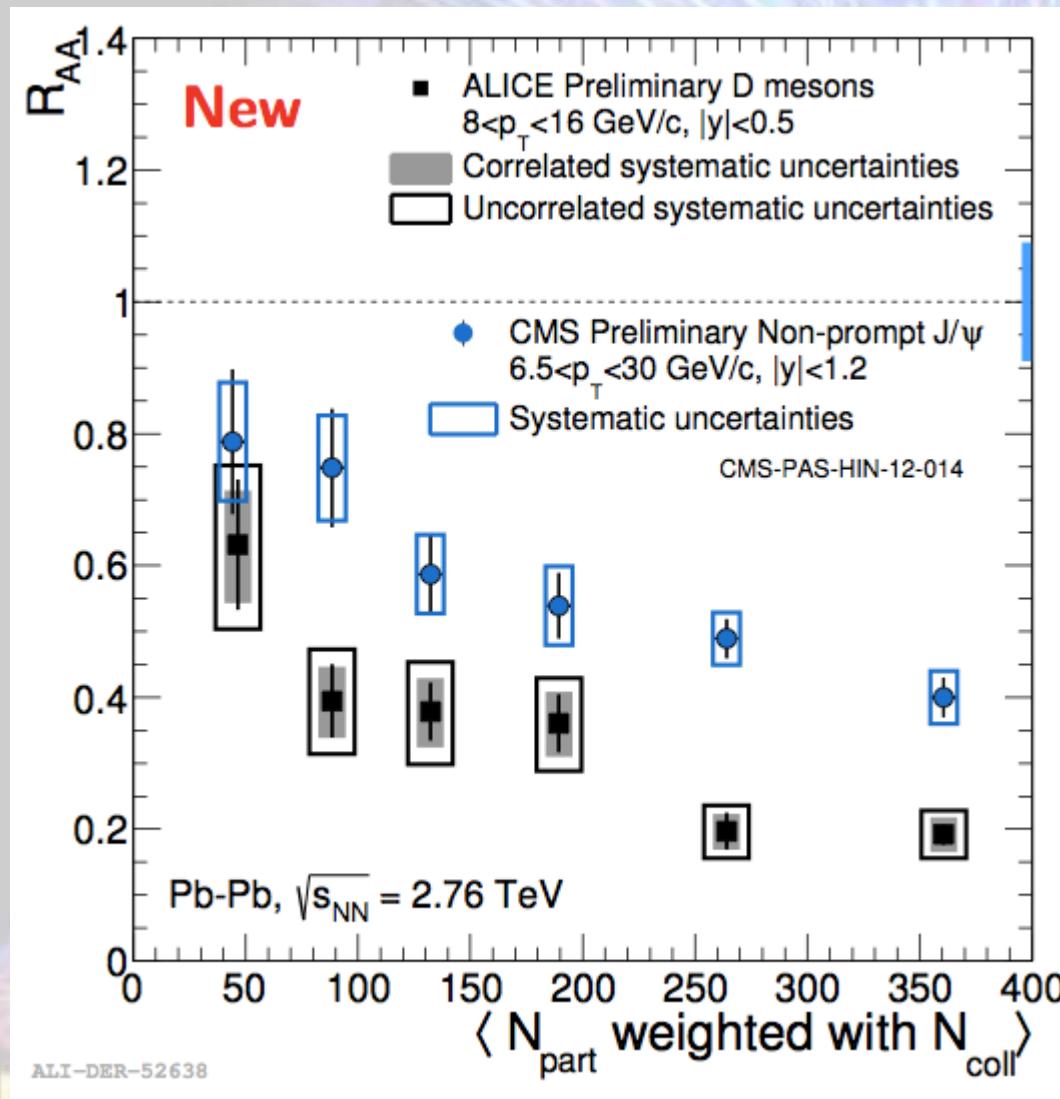
R_{AA} for Heavy Flavour



- Maybe a hint of hierarchy w.r.t pions!



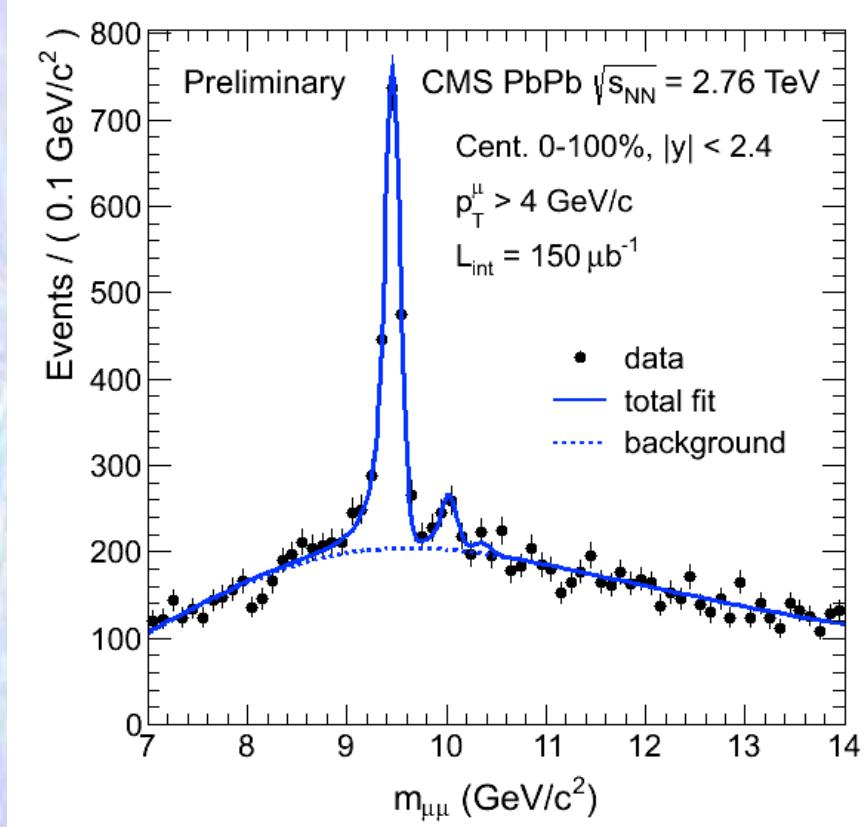
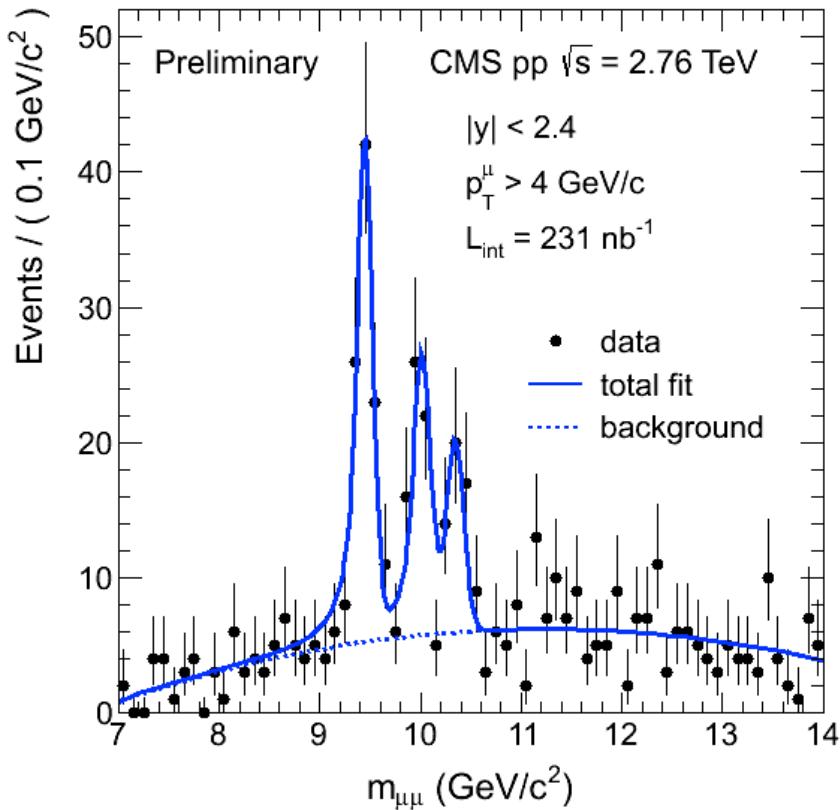
R_{AA} Charm vs Bottom



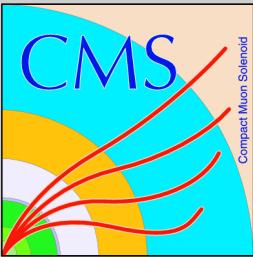
- Comparing charm from ALICE and bottom (beauty) from CMS.
- First hint of flavour hierarchy



Υ Suppression



$$\frac{N_{\Upsilon(2S)}}{N_{\Upsilon(1S)}}|_{\text{pp}} = 0.56 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.01 \quad \frac{N_{\Upsilon(2S)}}{N_{\Upsilon(1S)}}|_{\text{PbPb}} = 0.12 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.01$$
$$\frac{N_{\Upsilon(3S)}}{N_{\Upsilon(1S)}}|_{\text{pp}} = 0.21 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.02 \quad \frac{N_{\Upsilon(3S)}}{N_{\Upsilon(1S)}}|_{\text{PbPb}} < 0.07$$



Ratios not corrected for acceptance and efficiency



Summary

- We have started to piece together the standard model of heavy-ion collisions
- We have measured many of the global features
 - Phase transition temperature - Agrees with theory $T_c \sim 164$ MeV
 - Energy density - Over 10x critical energy density, $\varepsilon > 15$ GeV/fm³
 - size & lifetime of system ~ 5000 fm³, $\tau \sim 10\text{-}11$ fm/c
- Started to measure dynamical features
 - Strong elliptical flow – ideal liquid
 - Strong suppression of jets and high p_T particles
 - Little evidence of quark mass dependence on energy loss for lighter quarks (unlike predictions – although dependence seen between charm and bottom)
 - Υ' and Υ'' suppressed.
- We are at the early stages of a 10+ year programme and have just scratched the surface.
- lots of work and exciting physics to look forward to.
- Thank you for listening

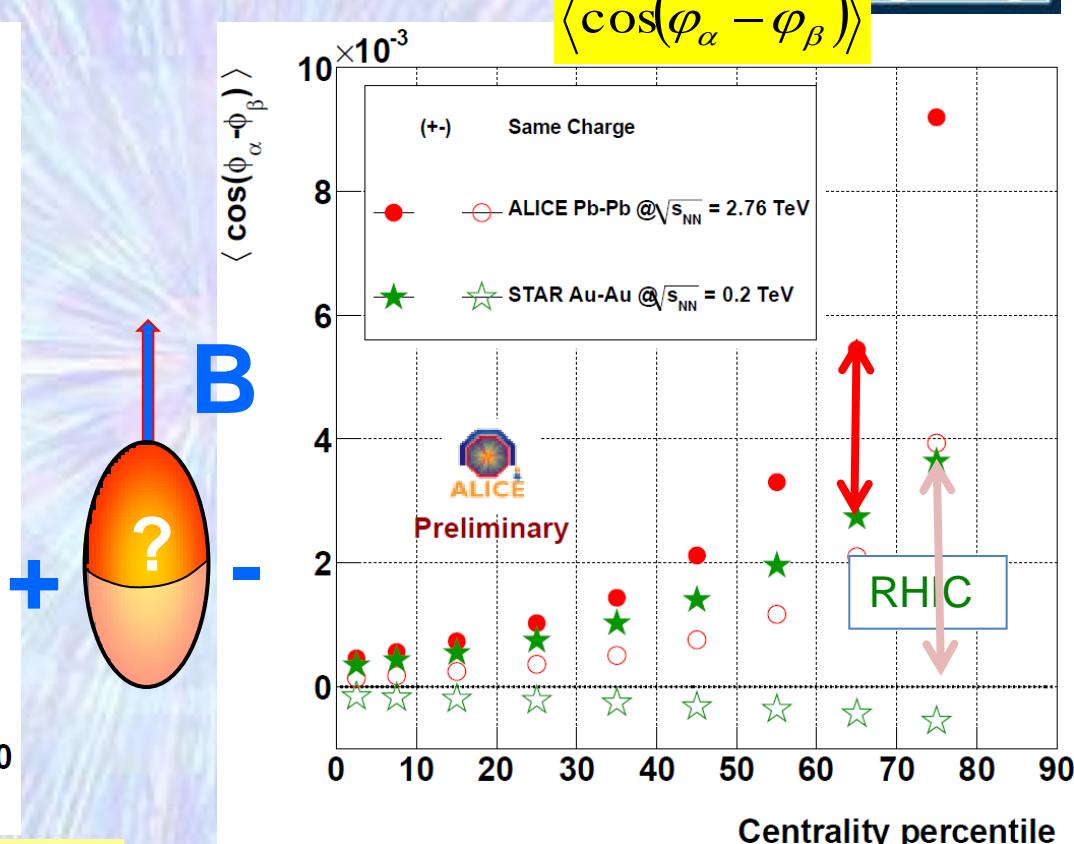
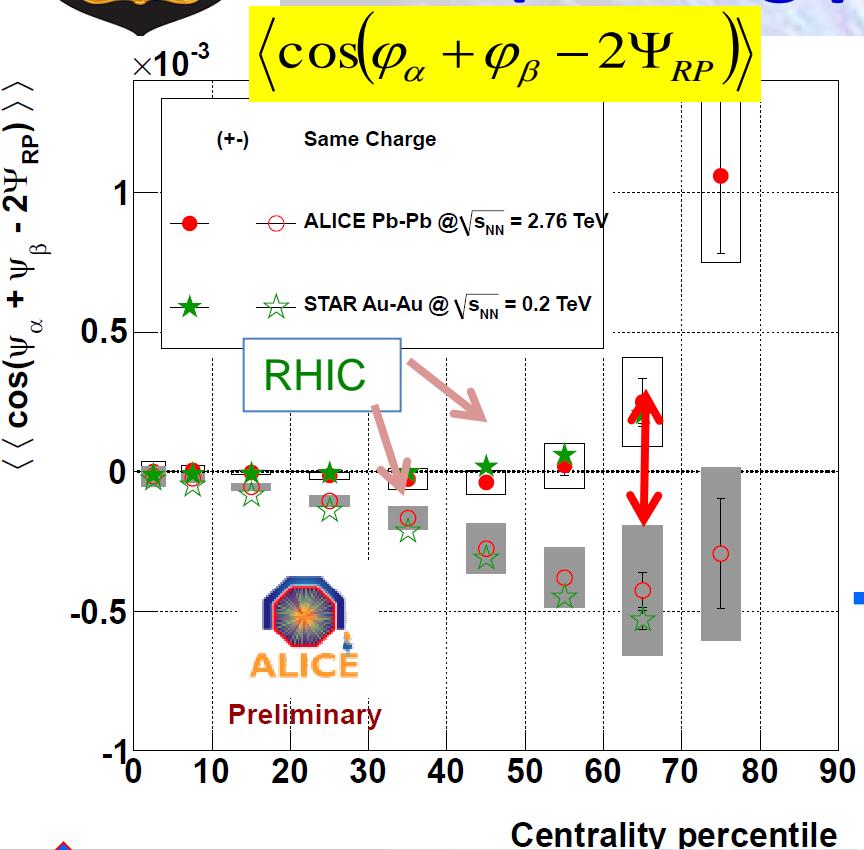


Backup Slides



Chiral Magnetic Effect

('strong parity violation')



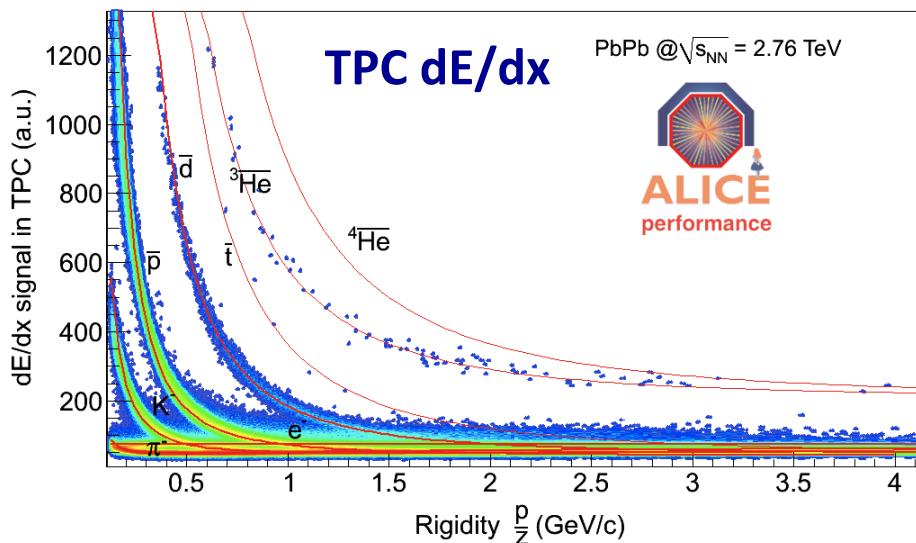
B
Same charge correlations **positive**
Opposite charge correlations **negative**
RHIC \approx LHC
so Local Parity Violation
in strong magnetic Field ?

RHIC : (+), (-) different sign and magnitude
LHC: (+), (+) same sign, similar magnitude





Particle Identification



ITS Silicon Drift/Strip dE/dx

