

$\Xi^{\star 0}$ production in p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions at the LHC with ALICE

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Outline



- Physics motivation
- The **ALICE**(A Large Ion Collider Experiment) @ **LHC** (Large Hadron Collider)
- Results from **p-Pb** collisions
- (Upcoming) Results from **Pb-Pb** collisions
- Summary and Outlook

Physics Motivation

- In **Pb-Pb** collisions resonances probe the evolution of the fireball
 - resonances with their **short lifetime & strong coupling** to the dense and hot medium are suggested as **a signature of the early stage of the fireball** created in a heavy ion collision.
- **pp** and **p-Pb** collisions provide reference for heavy ion measurement
 - **pPb** : contribute to the study of the system size dependence of re-scattering
 - **pp** : are used to build reference spectra for R_{AA} and R_{pPb}

Nuclear modification factor : R_{AA}

- to learn about particle production mechanism

The diagram illustrates the calculation of nuclear modification factors. It shows two main equations:

$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{d^2 N_{ch}^{AA} / d\eta dp_T}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle d^2 \sigma_{ch}^{pp} / d\eta dp_T}$$
$$R_{pPb}(p_T) = \frac{d^2 N_{ch}^{pPb} / d\eta dp_T}{\langle T_{pPb} \rangle d^2 \sigma_{ch}^{pp} / d\eta dp_T}$$

Three boxes explain the components of these equations:

- A pink box labeled "Yield in Pb-Pb collisions" contains the term $d^2 N_{ch}^{AA} / d\eta dp_T$.
- A blue box labeled "cross section of particle production in pp collisions" contains the term $d^2 \sigma_{ch}^{pp} / d\eta dp_T$.
- A purple box labeled "Normalized by geometric nuclear overlap function" contains the term $\langle T_{AA} \rangle$ and $\langle T_{pPb} \rangle$.

Below the equations, a definition for T_{AA} is provided:

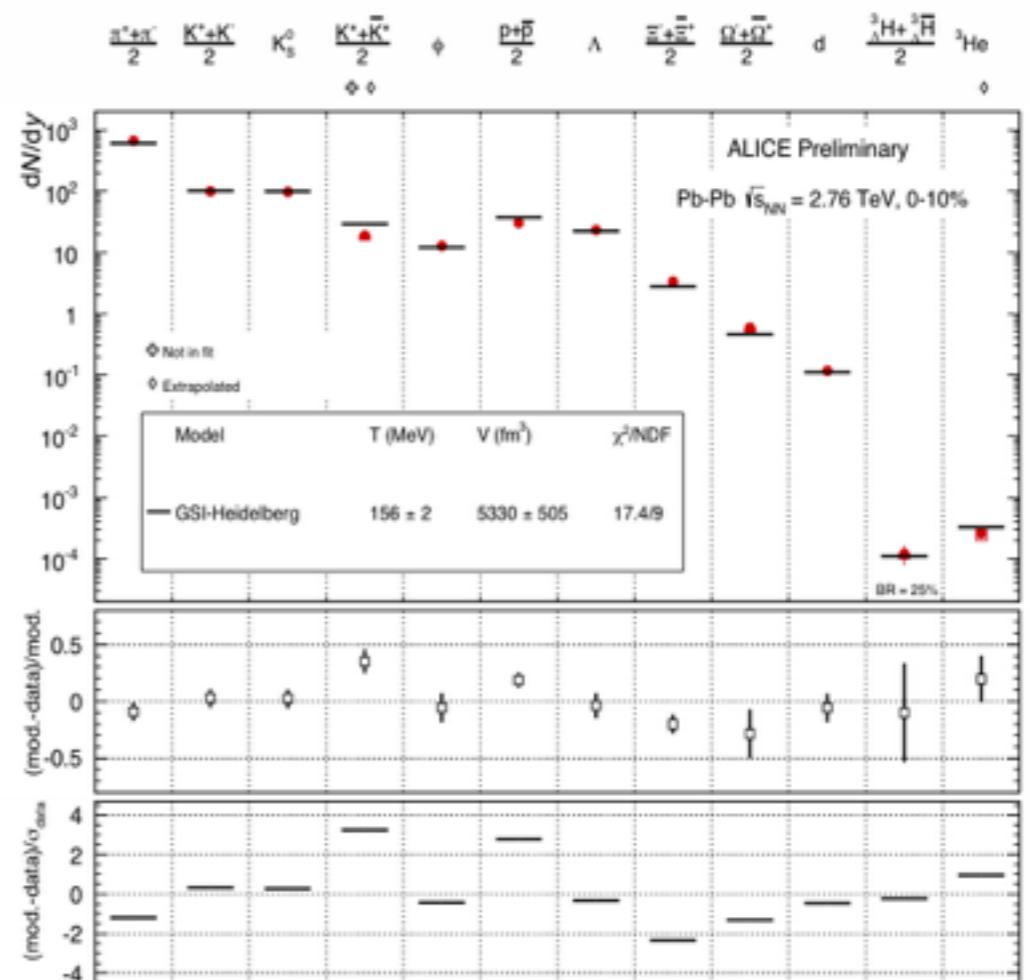
$$T_{AA} = \frac{\langle N_{coll} \rangle}{\sigma_{pp}^{inel}} = \frac{\# \text{ of binary nucleon-nucleon collisions}}{\text{inelastic nucleon-nucleon cross section}}$$

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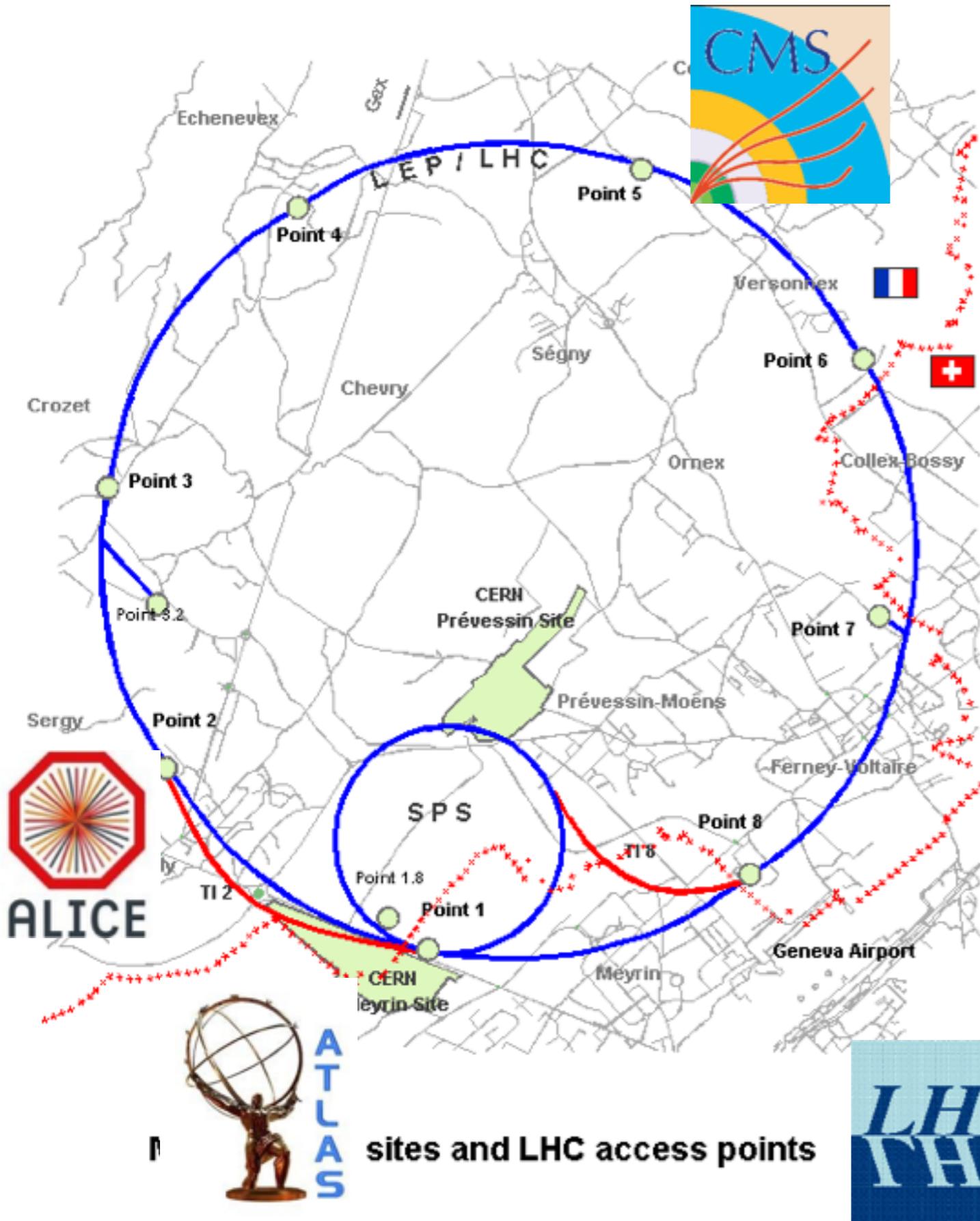
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Data to be compared with thermal model predictions. Yield of Ξ^{*0} will be between Ξ and Ω .

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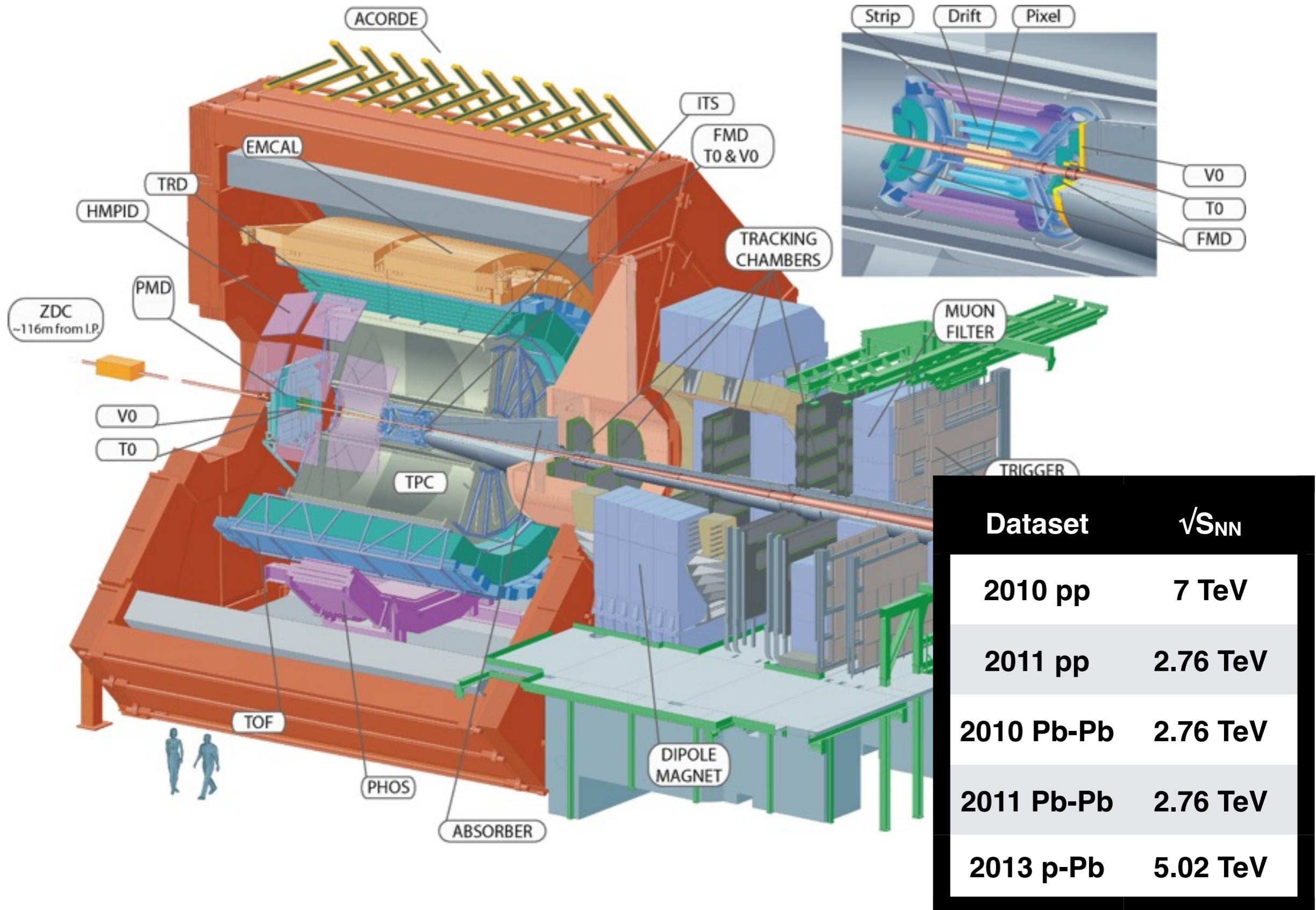


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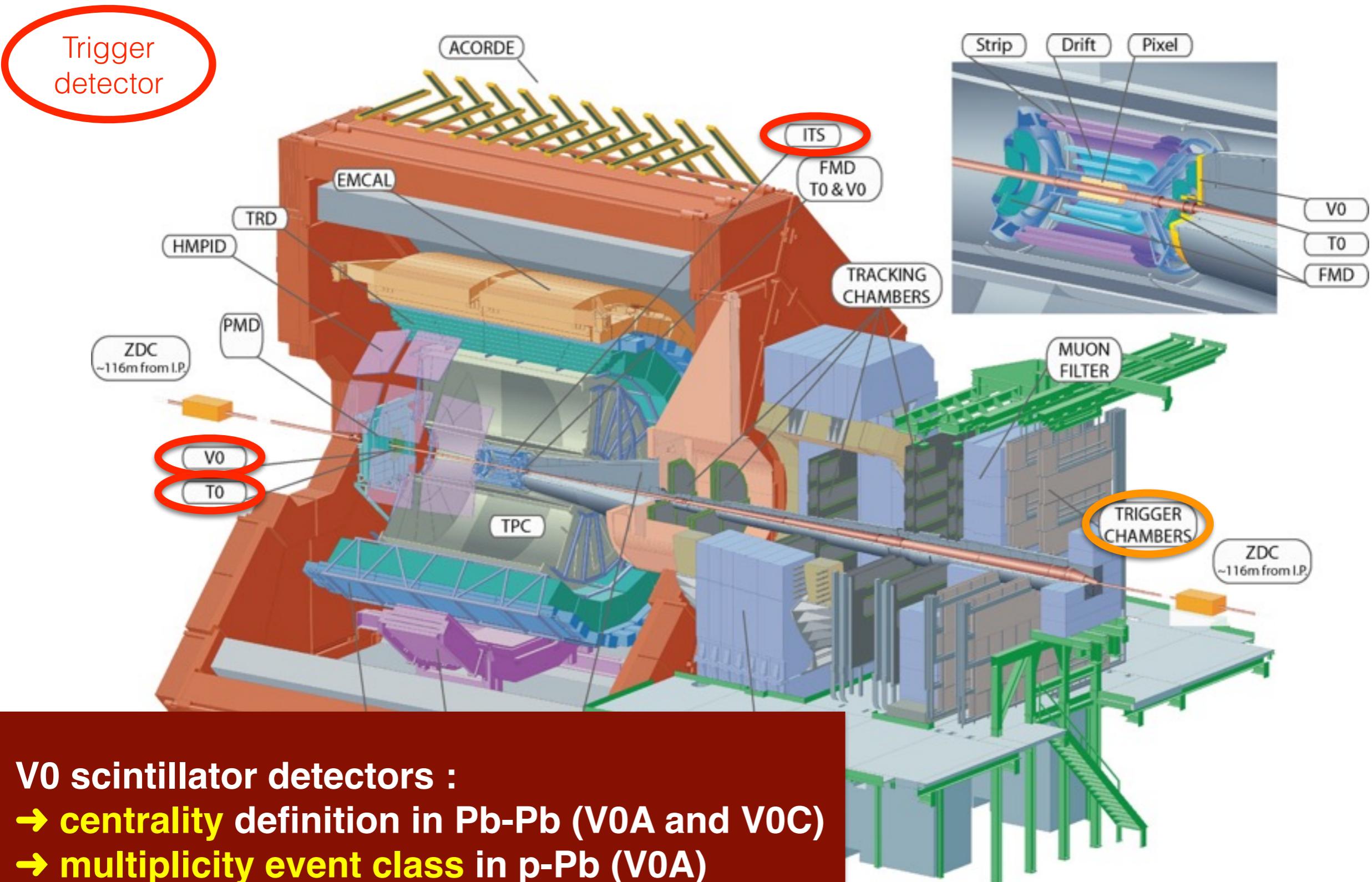


- Heavy-ion experiment designed to study strongly-interacting matter at very high energy density
- Explores..
 - phase transition to the QGP
 - its phase diagram & properties
- Particle identification capability
- Measurement from very low transverse momenta

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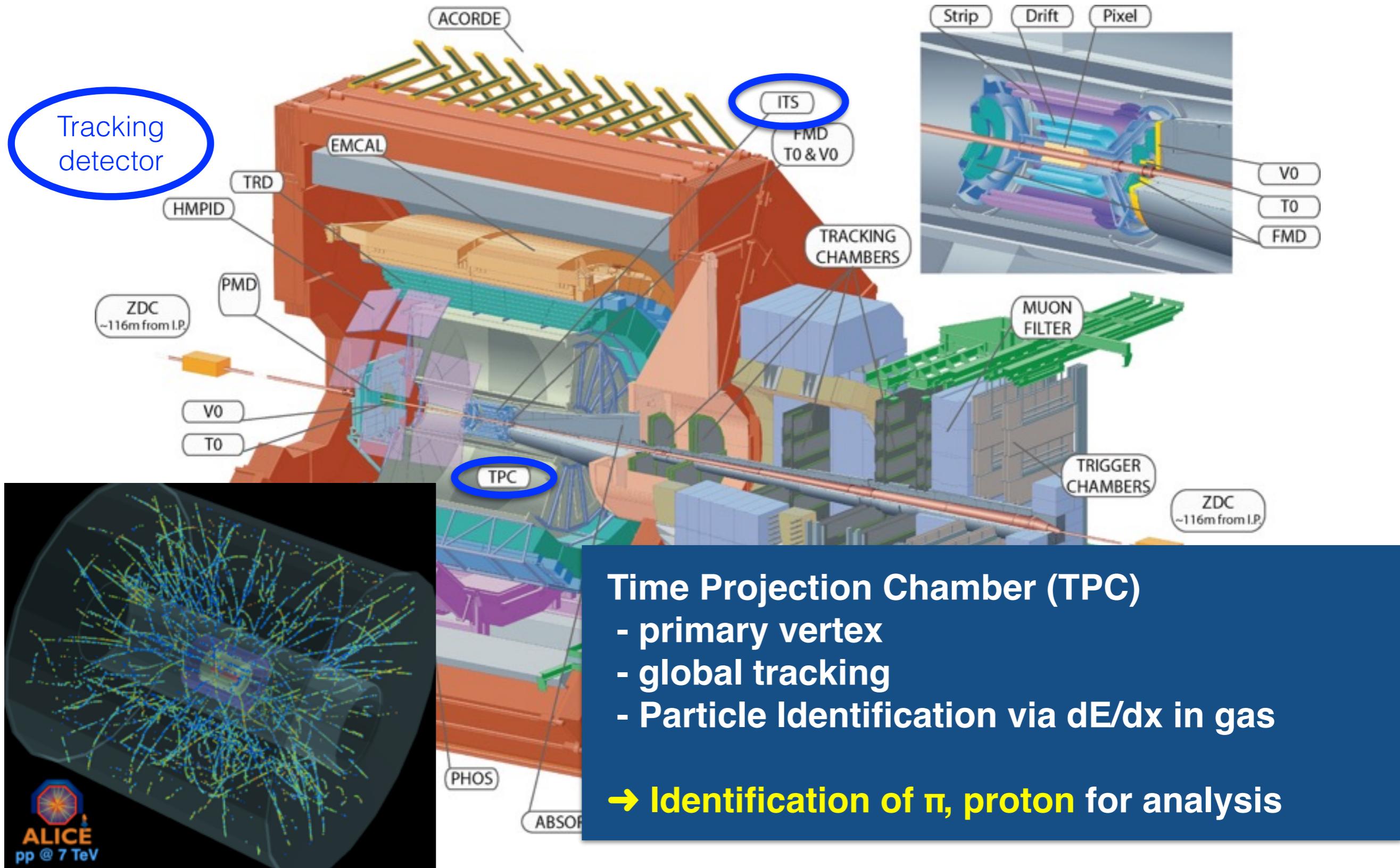


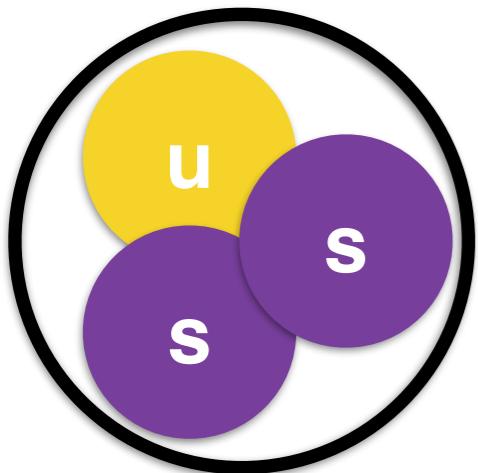
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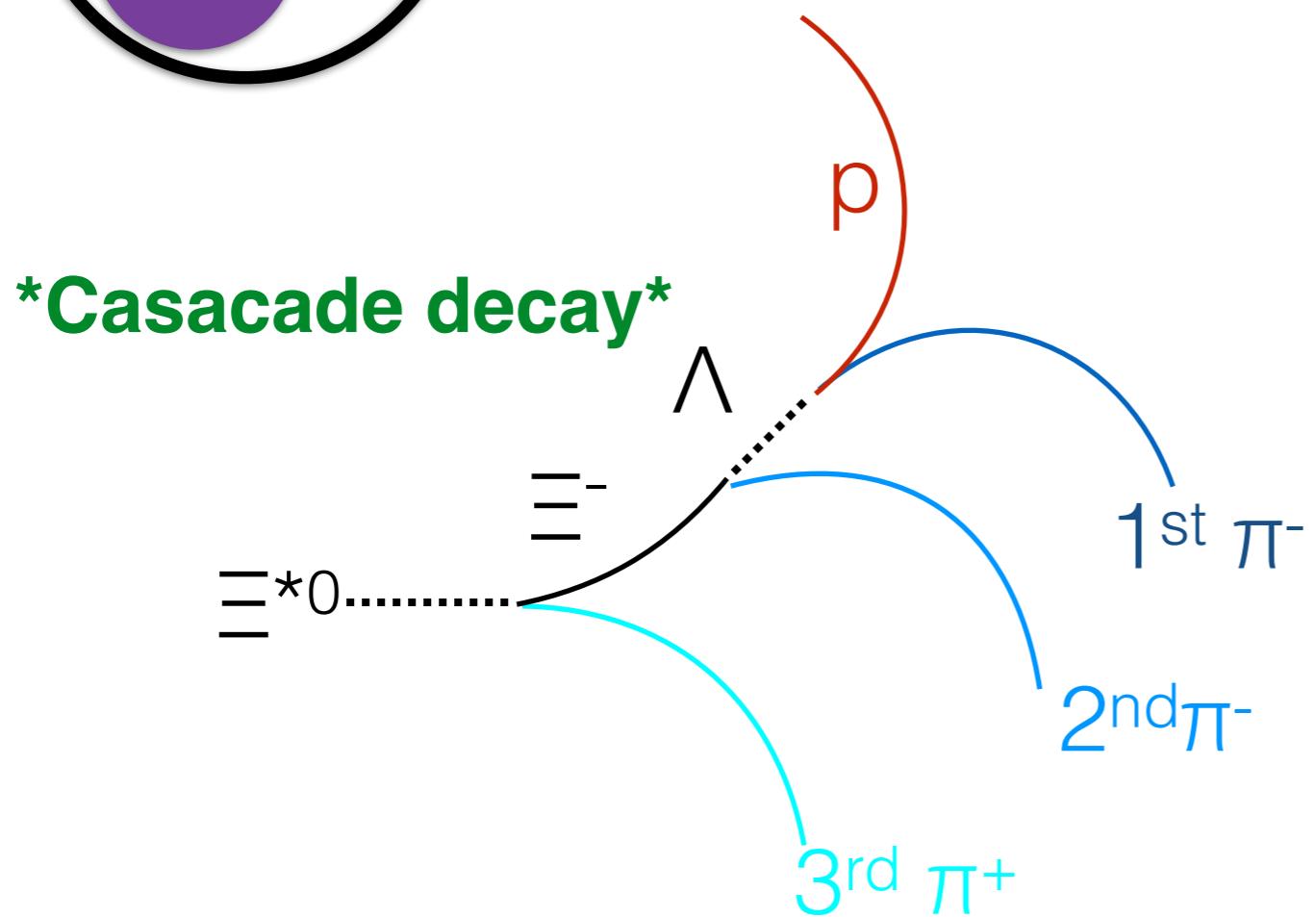
TPC and ITS are mainly used in the analysis

The ALICE experiment





Ξ^{*0} baryon



- Called the cascade particles because of their unstable state
- They decay rapidly into lighter particles through a chain of decays

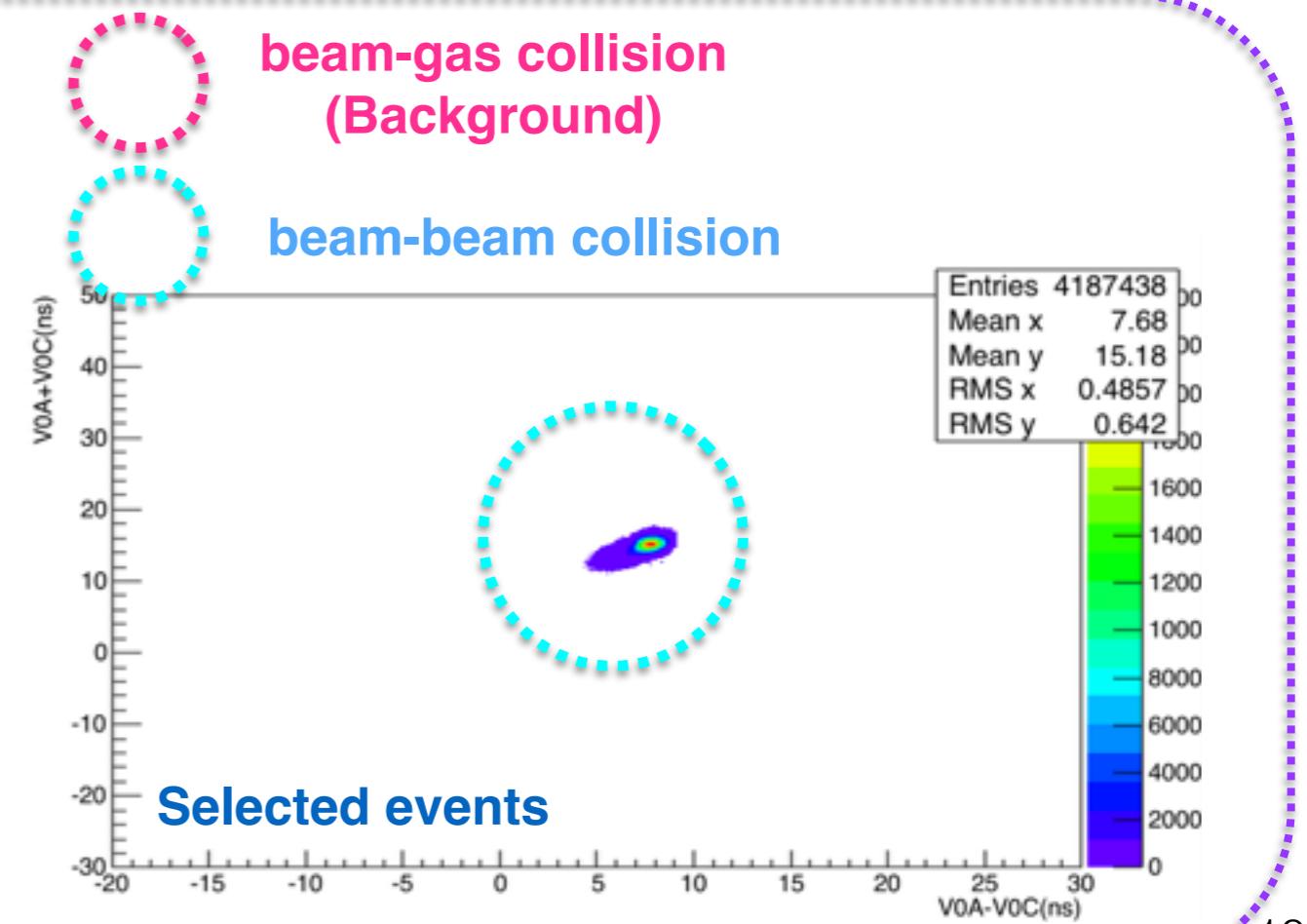
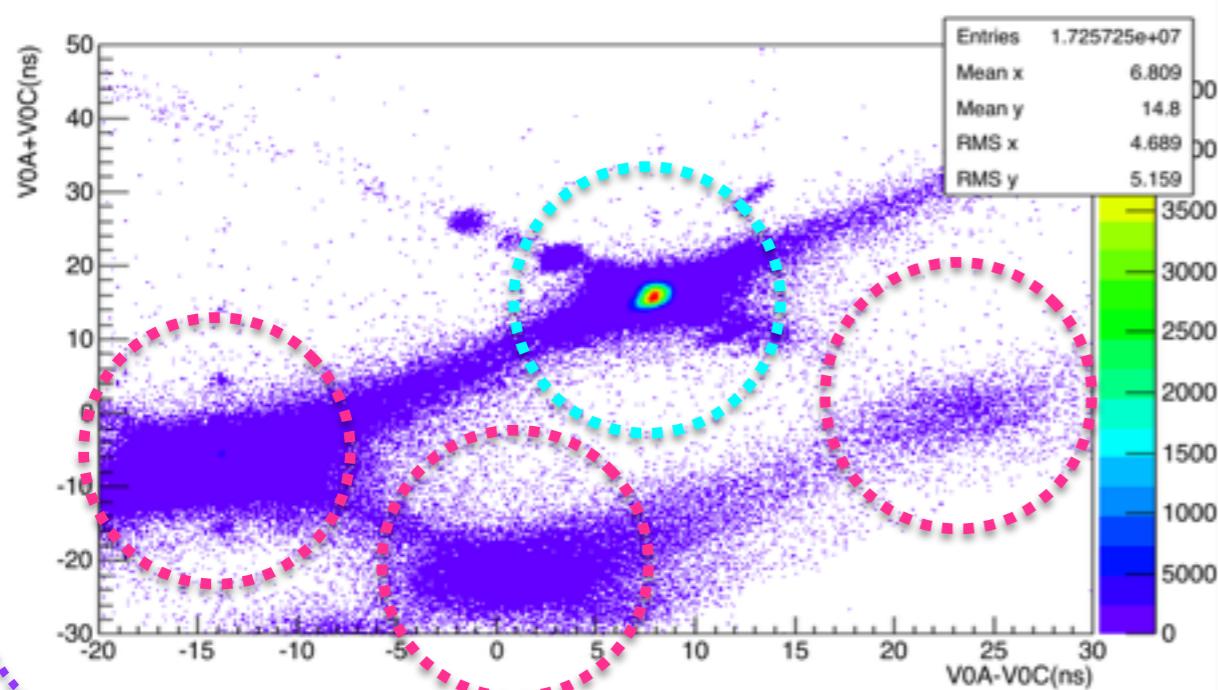
	quarks	Mass (MeV/c ²)	Width/ct (MeV/c ²)	Decay channel	Branching ratio (%)
$\Xi(1530)^0$	uss	1531.80 ± 0.32	9.1 ± 0.5	$\Xi^- + \pi^+$	66.7

Candidates selections

Event selection

- Minimum bias events is selected (p-Pb)
MB, Central, SemiCentral events are selected (Pb-Pb)
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 - via SPD detector
- $-10 < V_z < 10$ cm

MB : VOA & VOC
tool to reject background



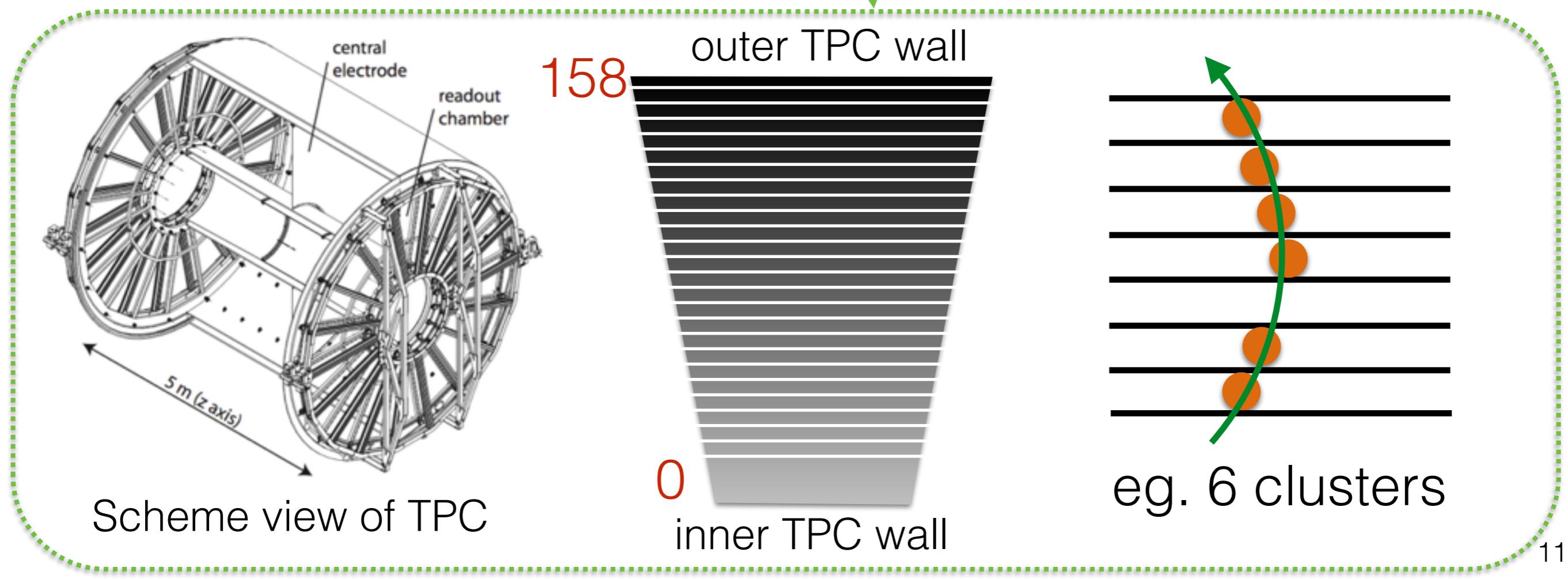
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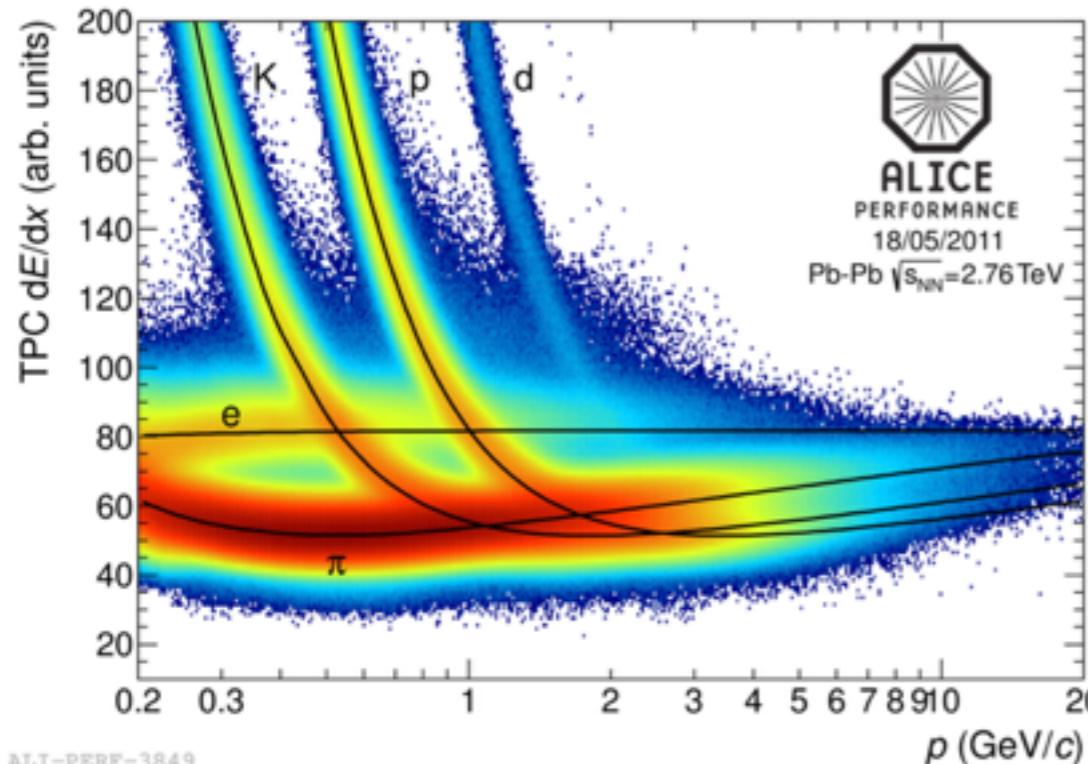
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PID

- Using TPC
 - $N(\sigma) dE/dx < 3$
- for all tracks

Particle Identification



- Specific energy loss in TPC as a function of momentum for Pb-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV
- The Bethe-Bloch curves for various particle species are superimposed with black line

Data samples

p-Pb @ 5.02TeV

Data

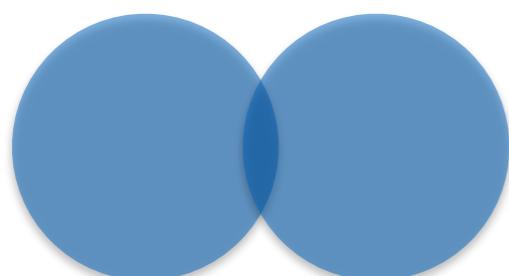
LHC13b + LHC13c

- After physical selection :
~ 91.6 M events

MC

LHC13b2_efix_p1,p2,p3,p4

- After physical selection :
~ 98 M events



(peripheral)

Pb-Pb @ 2.76TeV

Data

LHC11h (20runs, total ~100runs)

- After physical selection :
Central (0-10%) 4 M events
SemiCentral(10-50%)3.5 M events

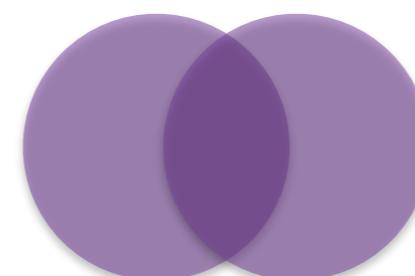
MC

LHC14a1a (0 -10%)

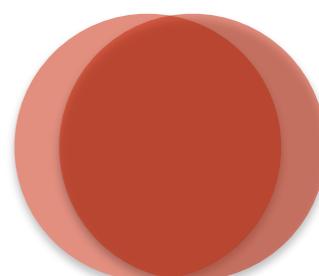
LHC14a1b (10 -50%)

LHC14a1c (50 -90%)

Not yet



10-50% (Semi-central)



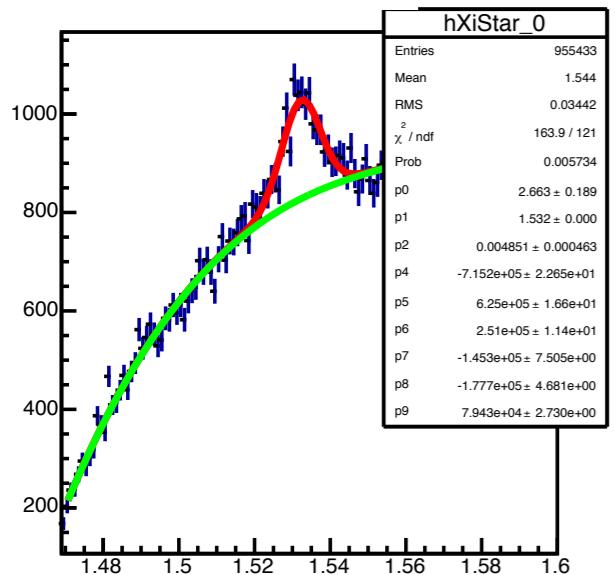
0-10% (Central)

Ξ^* P_T dependence

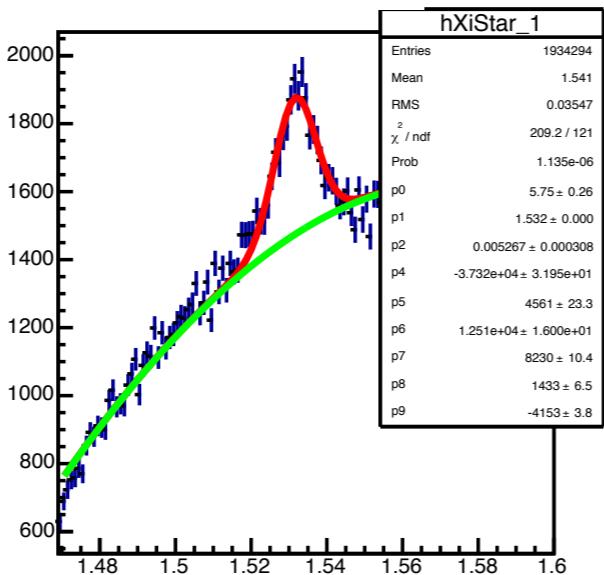
$0 < y_{\text{CMS}} < 0.5$

Centrality **total**

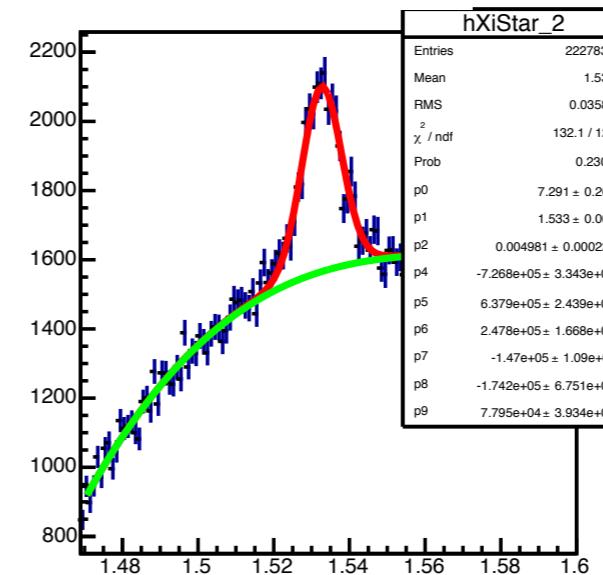
P_T 0.8-1.2



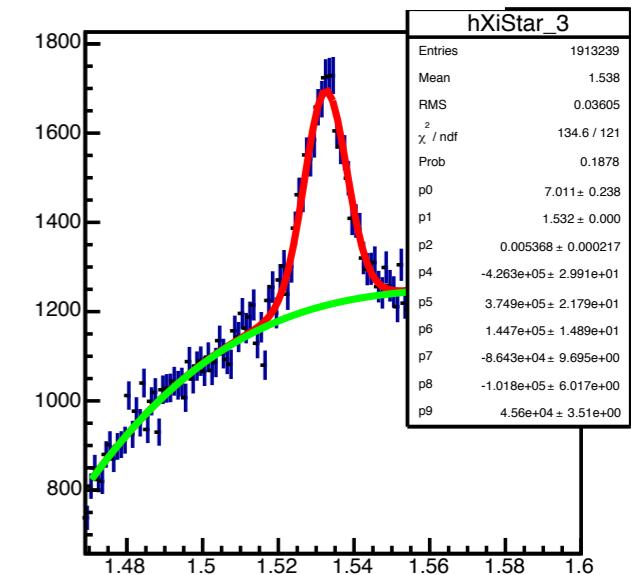
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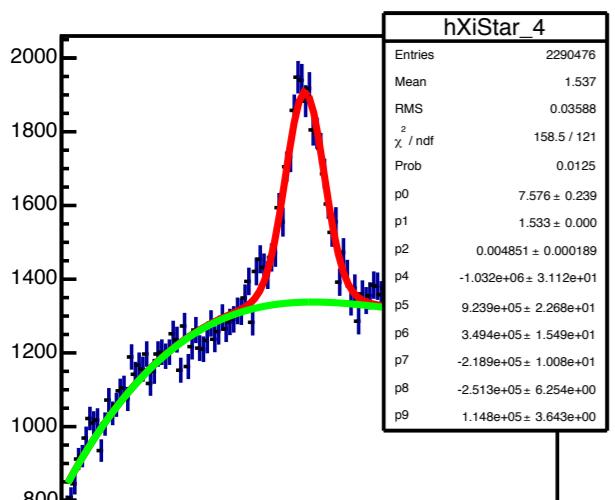
P_T 1.6-2.0



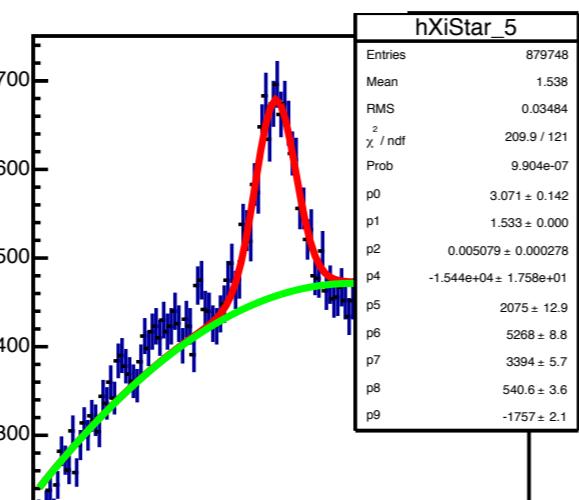
P_T 2.0-2.4



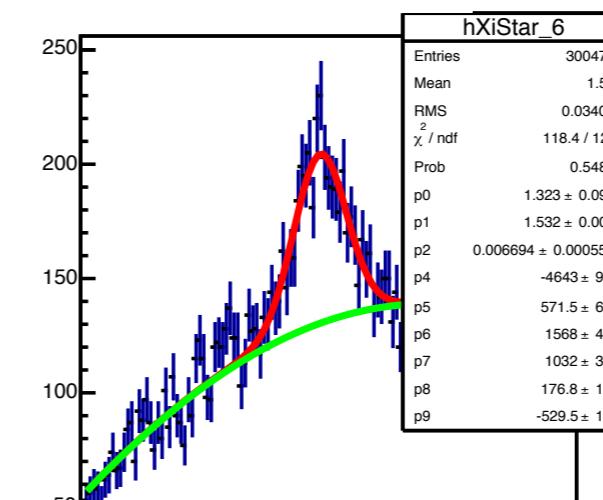
P_T 2.4-3.2



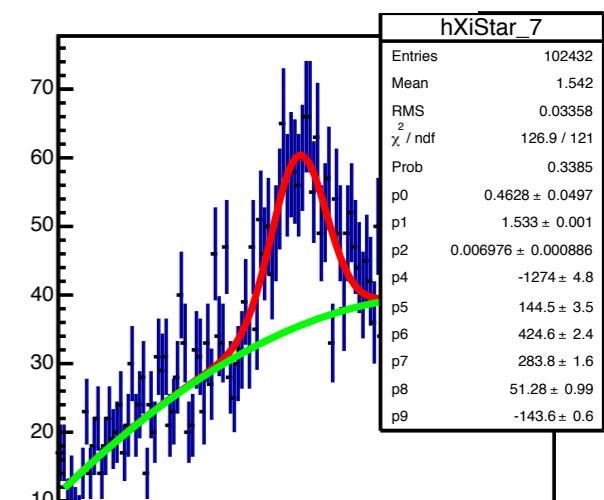
P_T 3.2-4.0



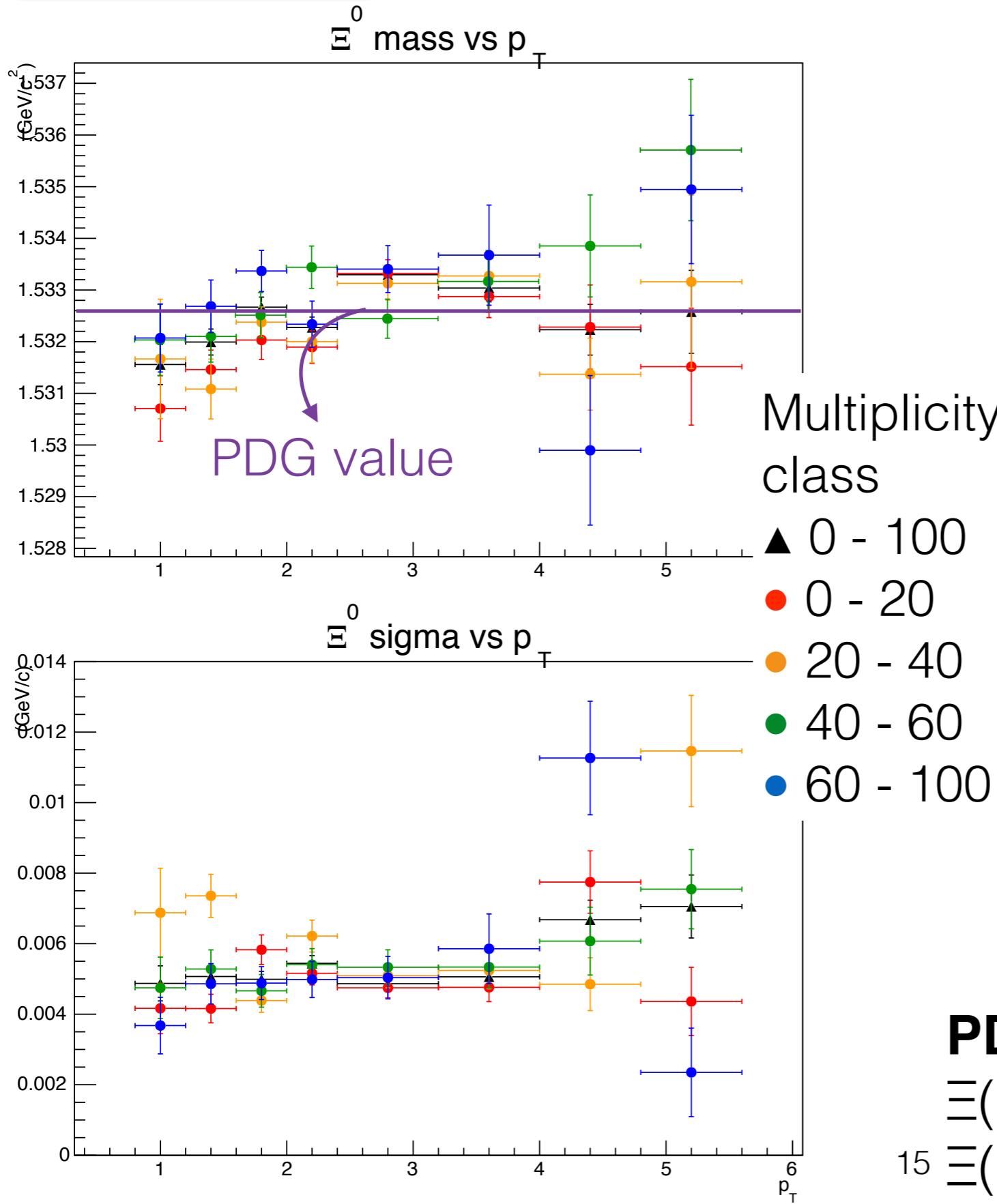
P_T 4.0-4.8



P_T 4.8-5.6



- p-Pb is very clean
- Signal visible before BG subtraction



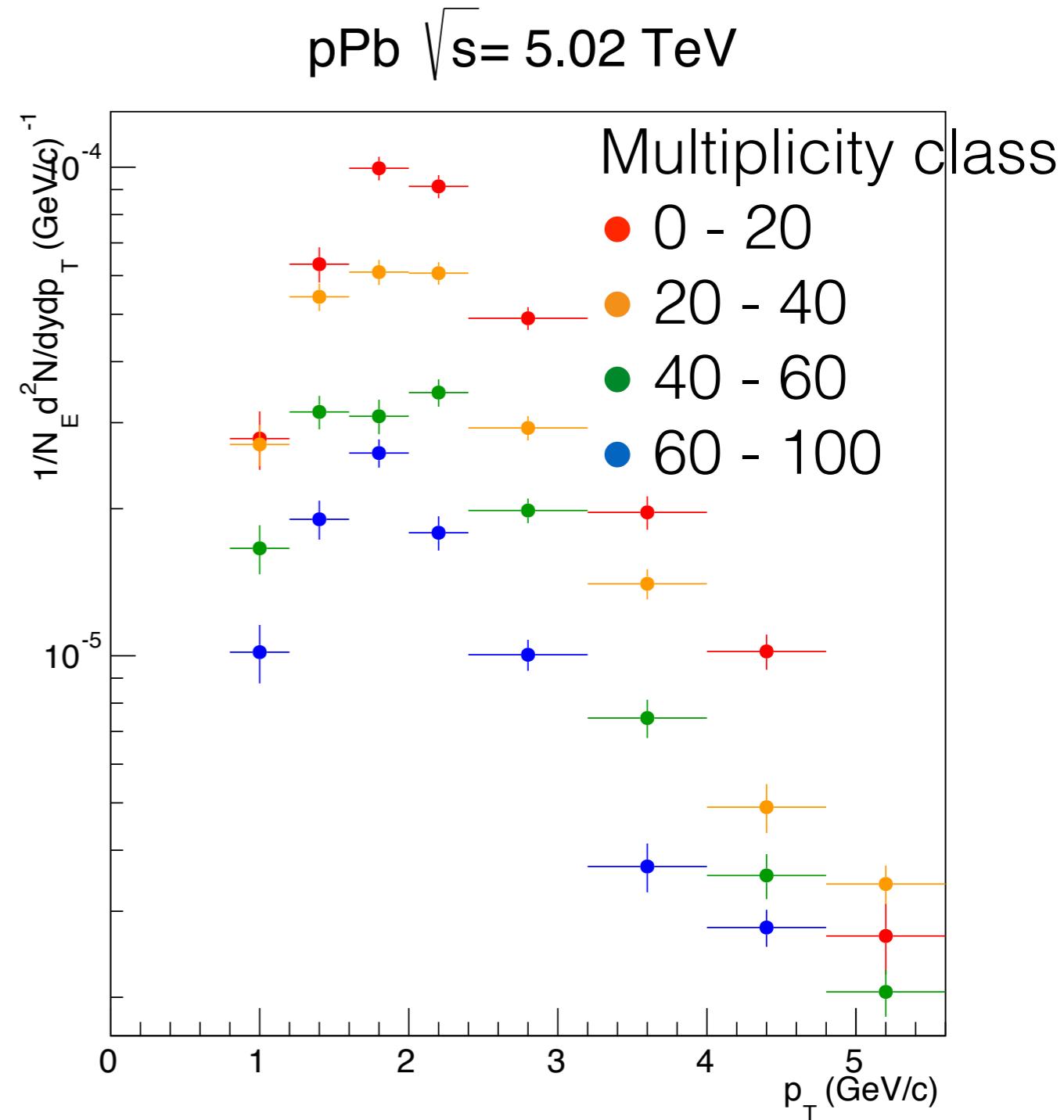
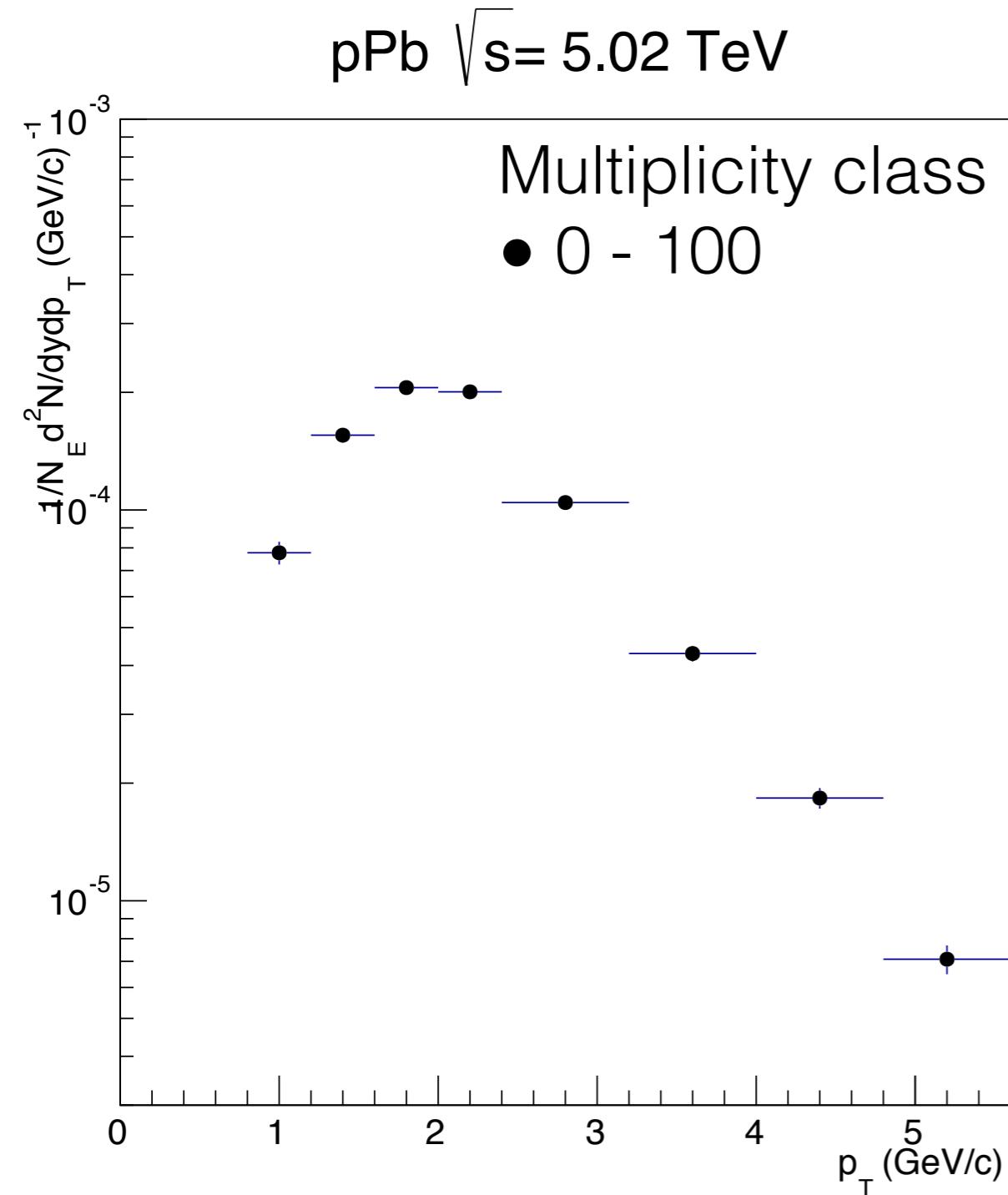
- Uncertainties on fit parameter only
- Mass : small tendency
 - $P_T < 2\text{GeV}/c$: less than PDG
 - $2 < P_T < 4\text{GeV}/c$: higher than PDG
- Sigma
 - in pp : around 0.0025
 - need detailed fit study

PDG

$\Xi(1530)^0$ Mass : $1531.80 \pm 0.32 \text{ MeV}$

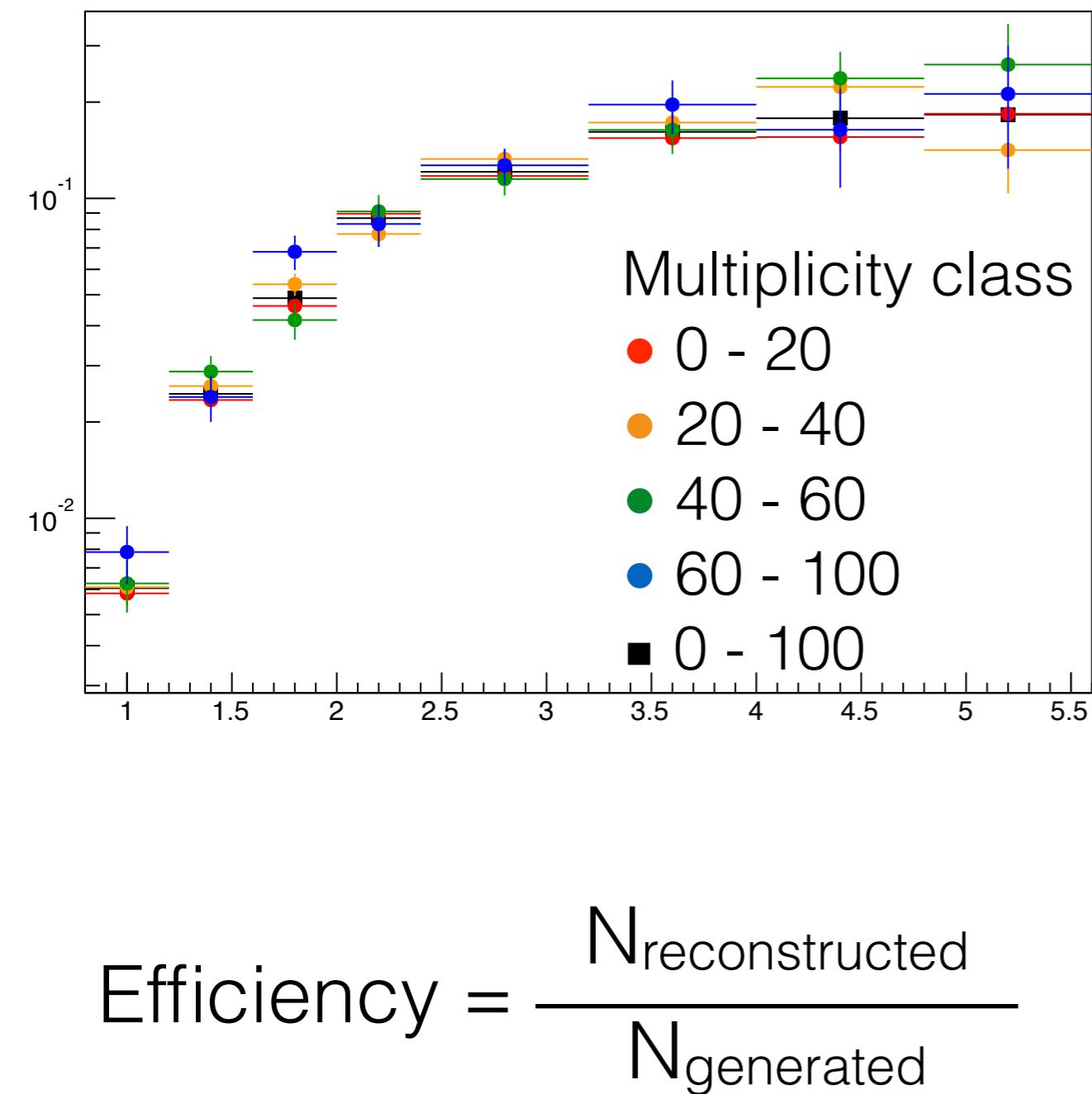
$\Xi(1530)^0$ Width : $9.1 \pm 0.5 \text{ MeV}$

Ξ^*0 Spectrum

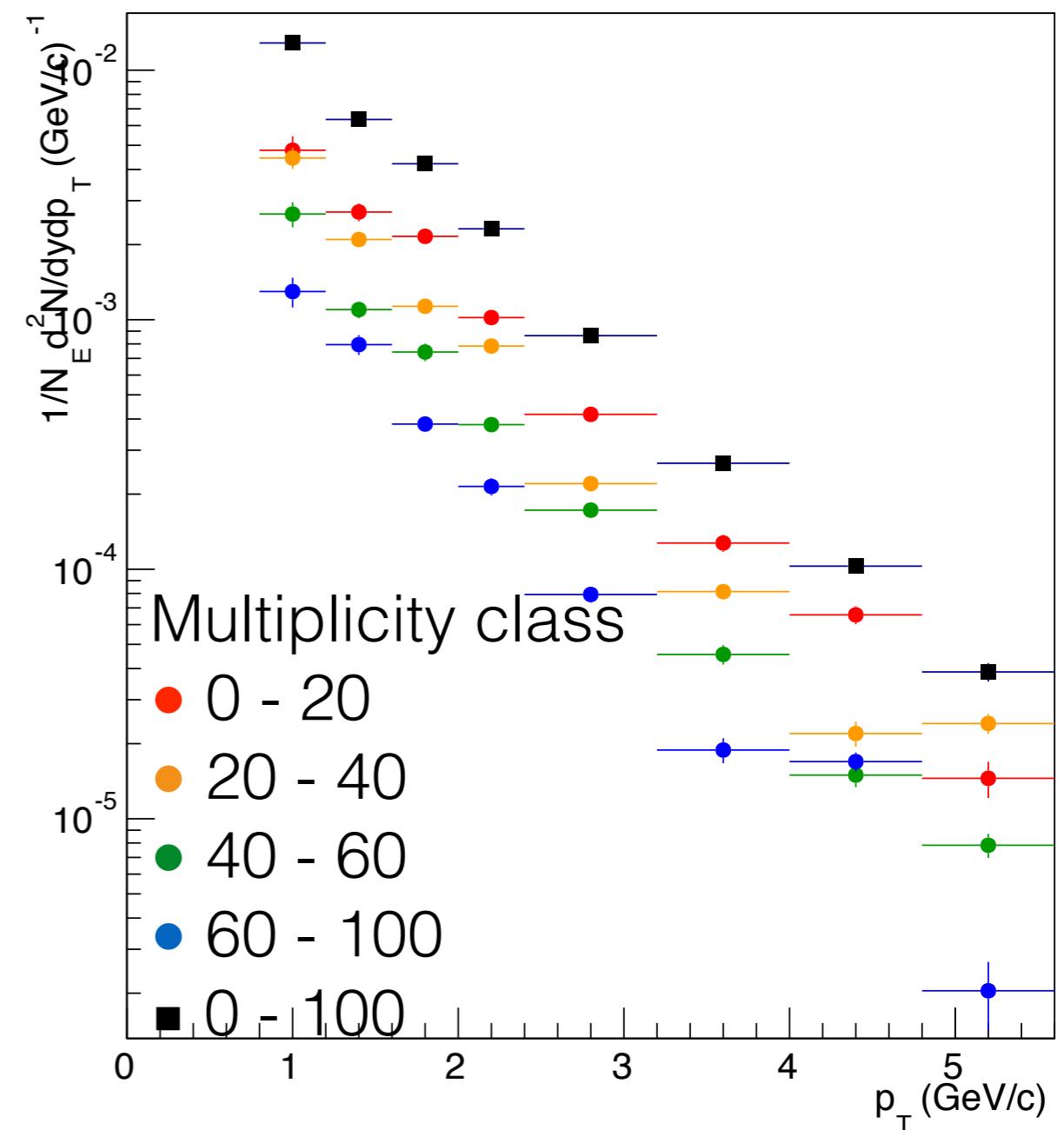


Efficiency & corrected spectrum

Efficiency

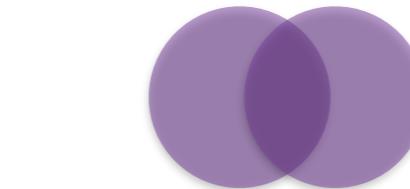
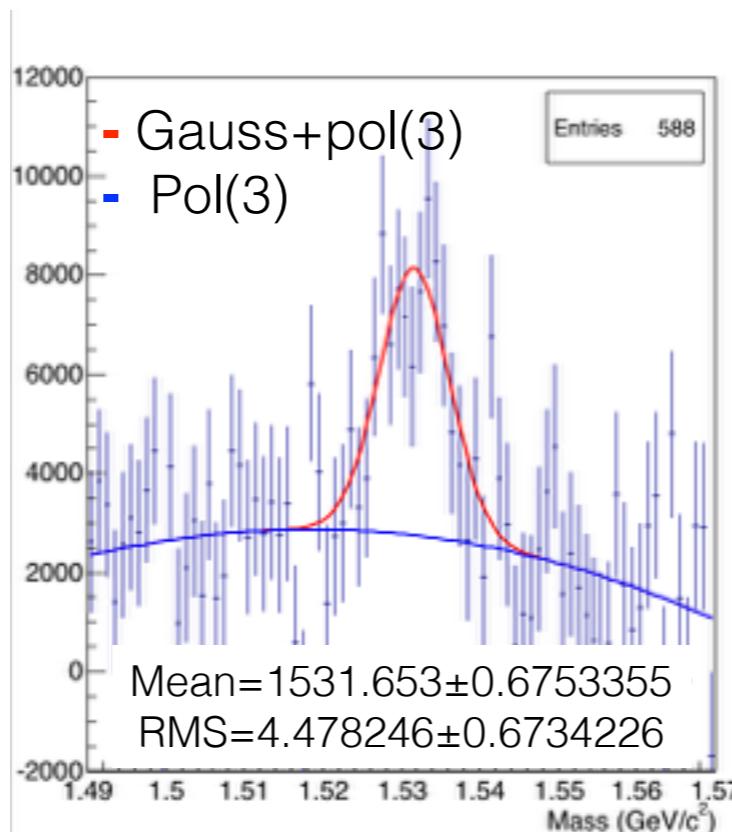
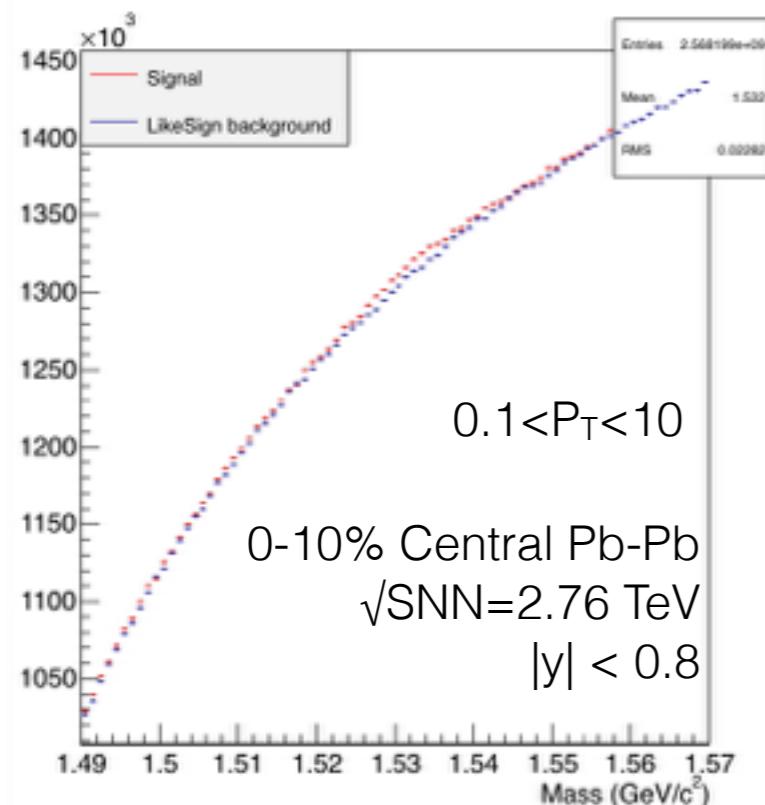
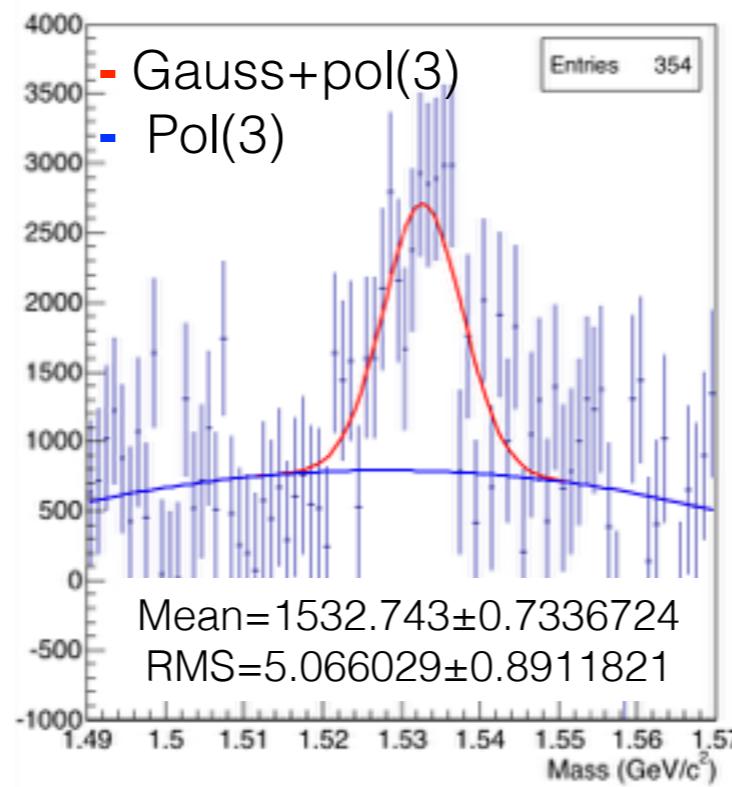
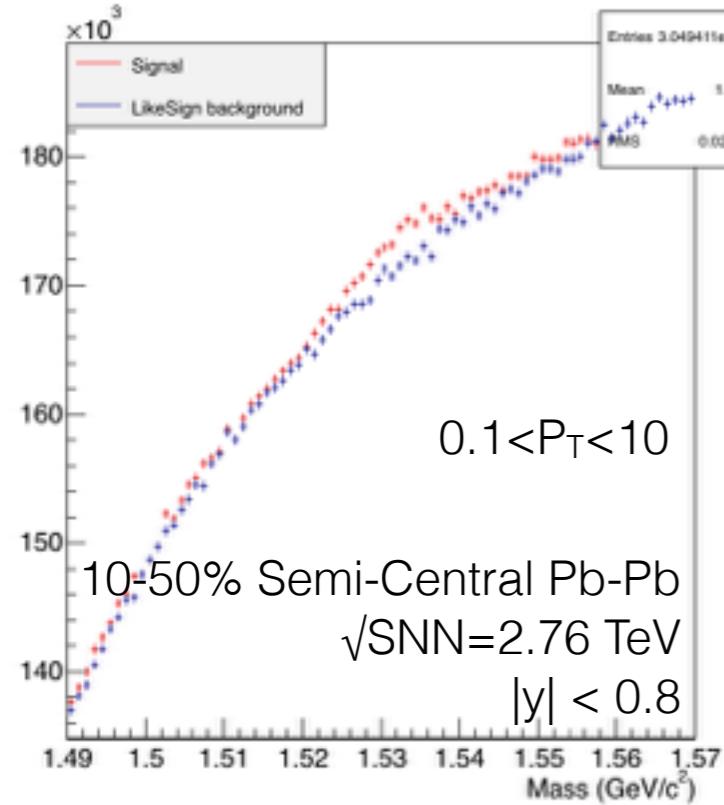


pPb $\sqrt{s} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$



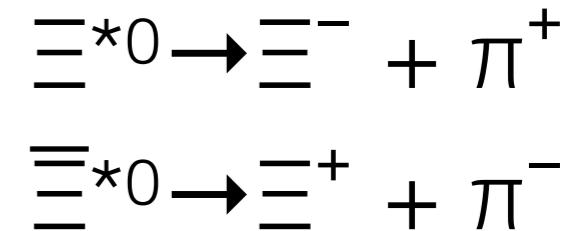
Signal extraction

Integrated P_T

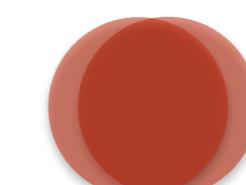


10-50% (Semi-central)

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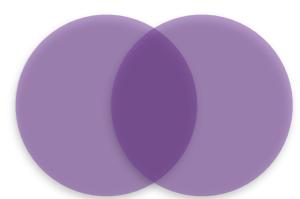
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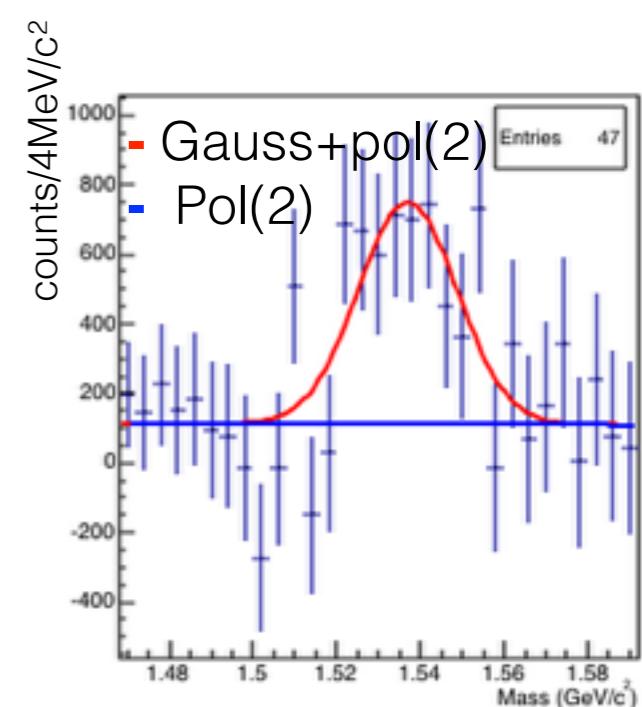
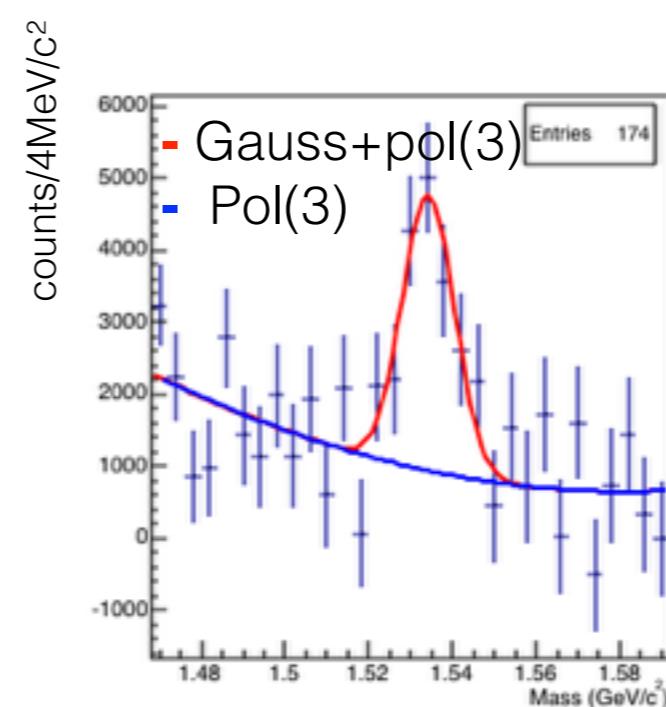
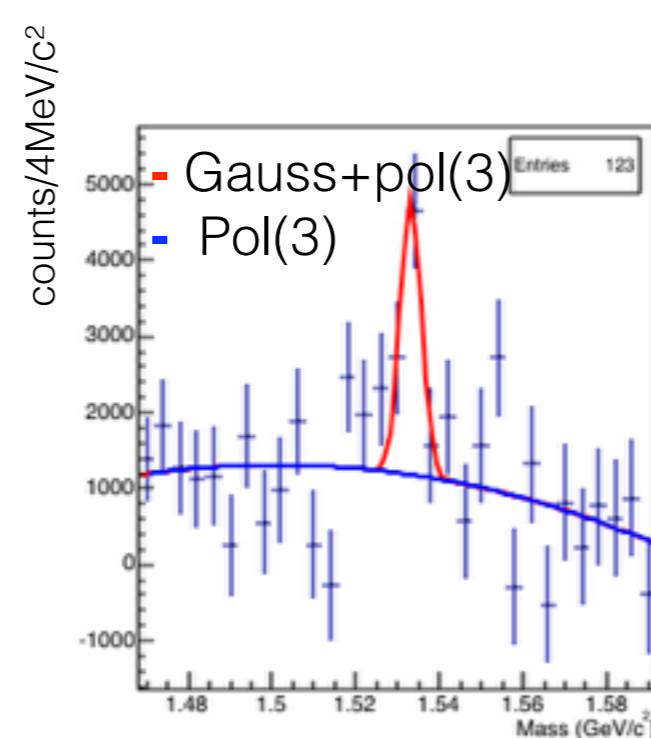
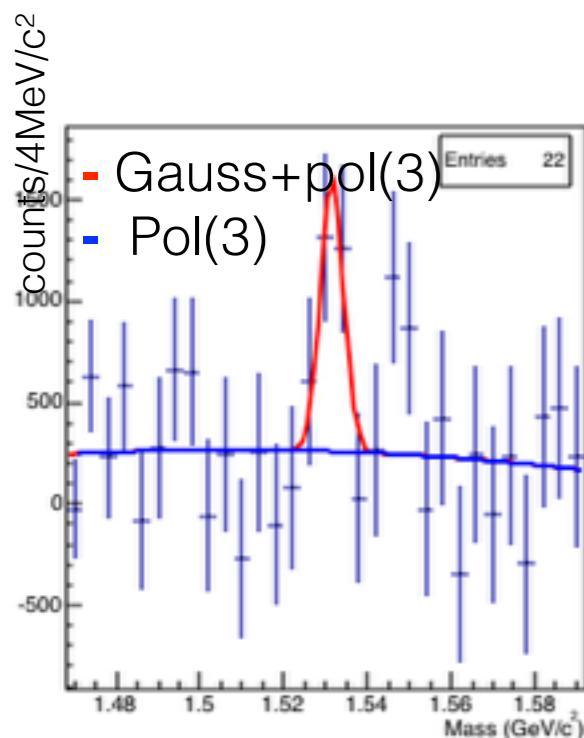
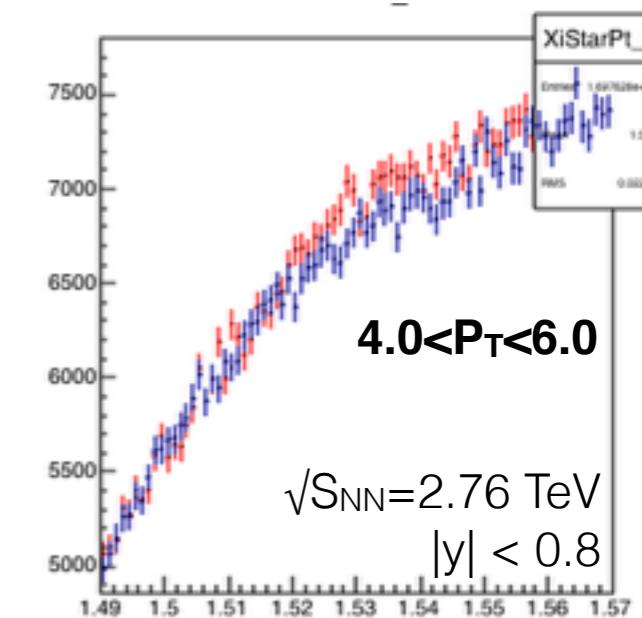
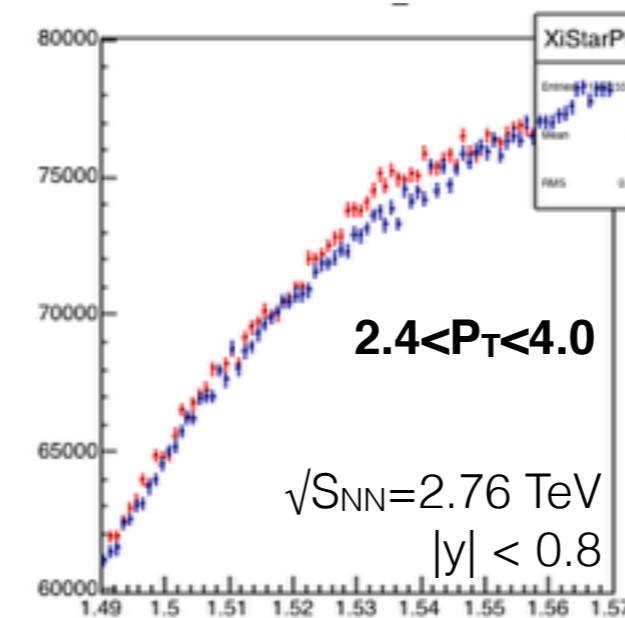
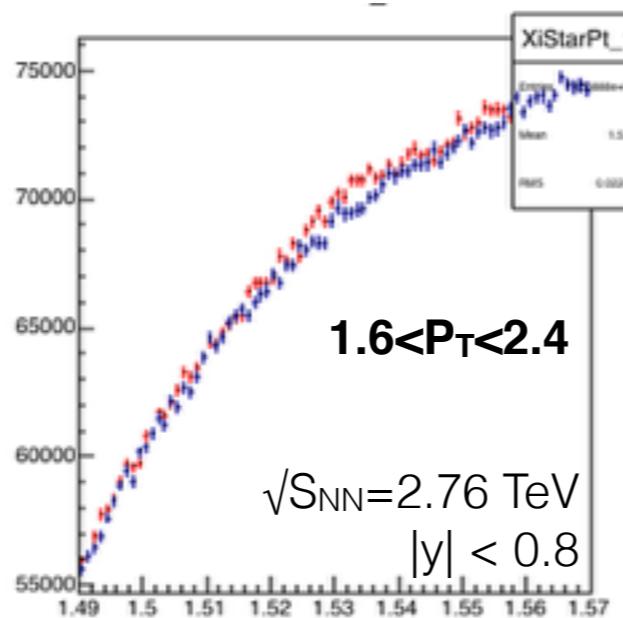
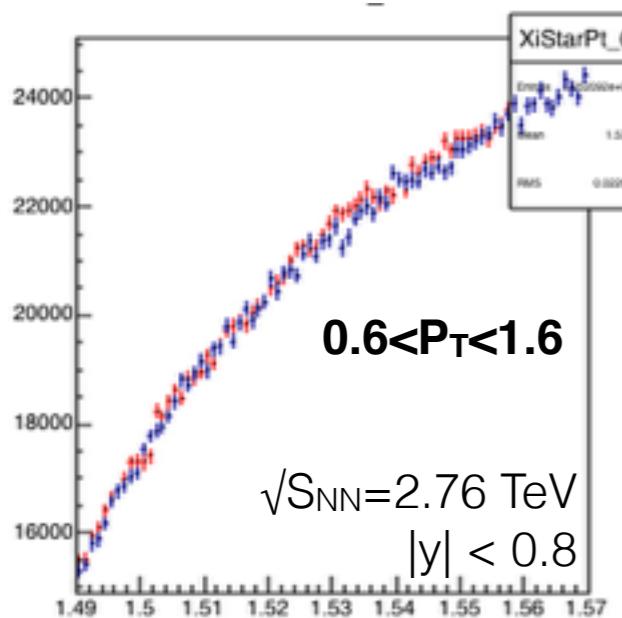
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pentaquark

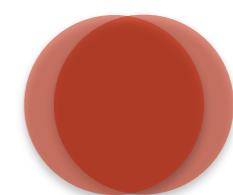
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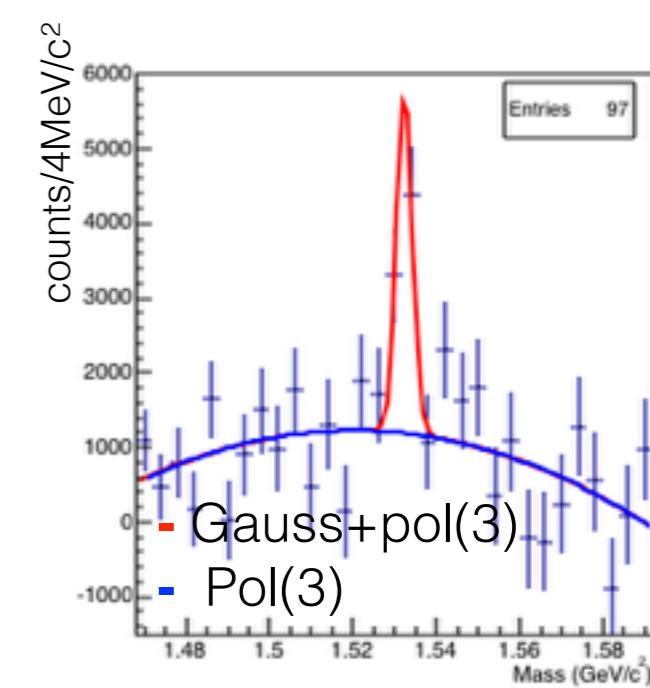
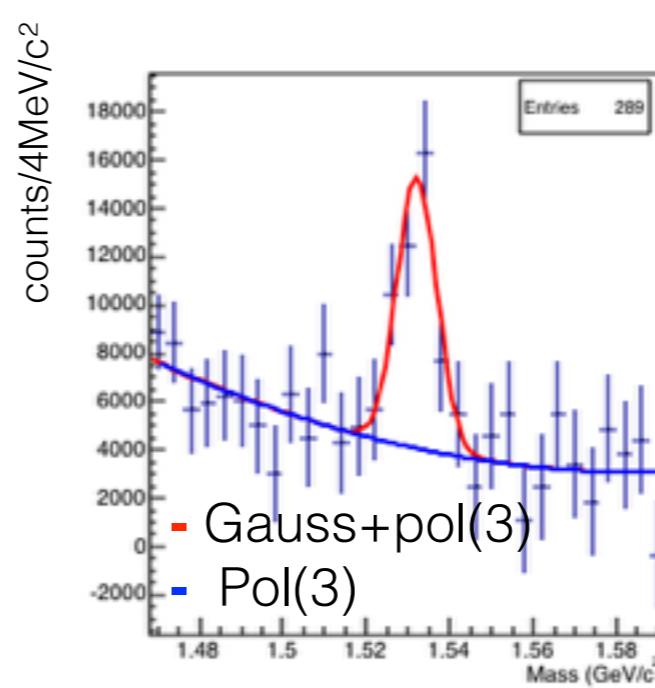
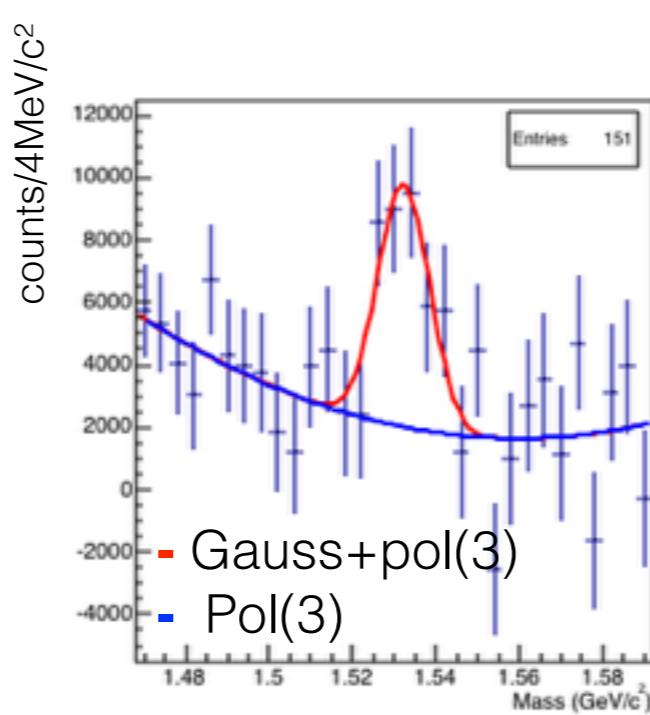
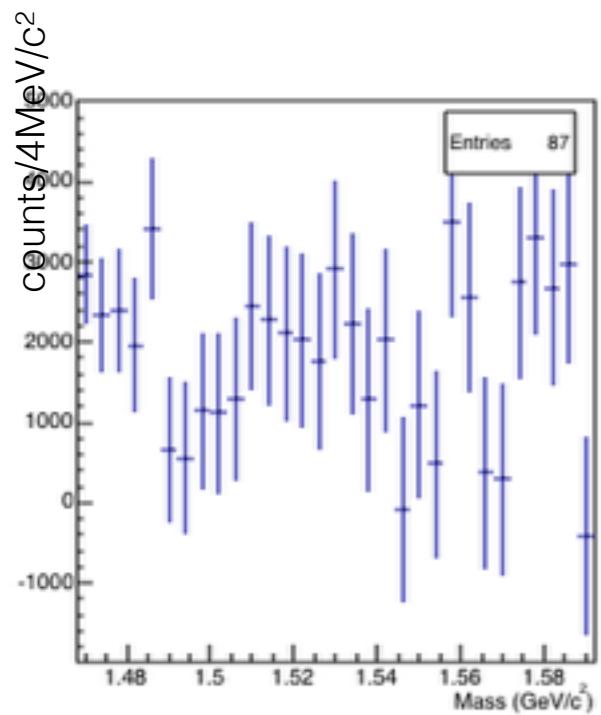
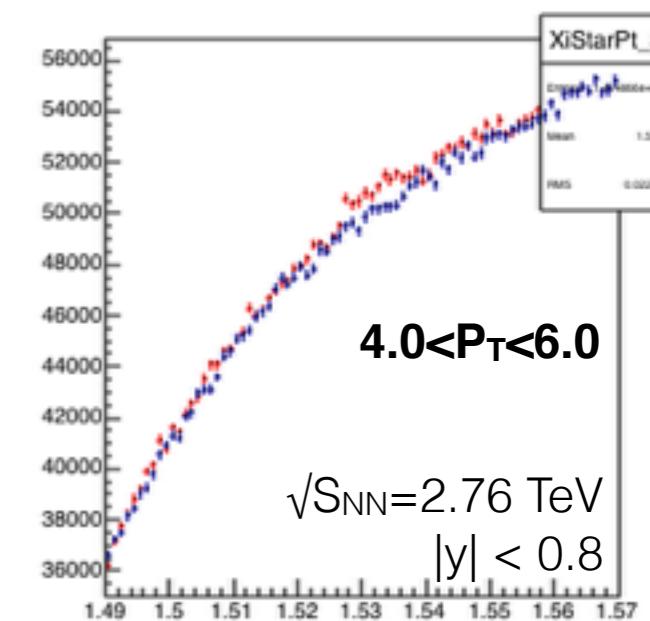
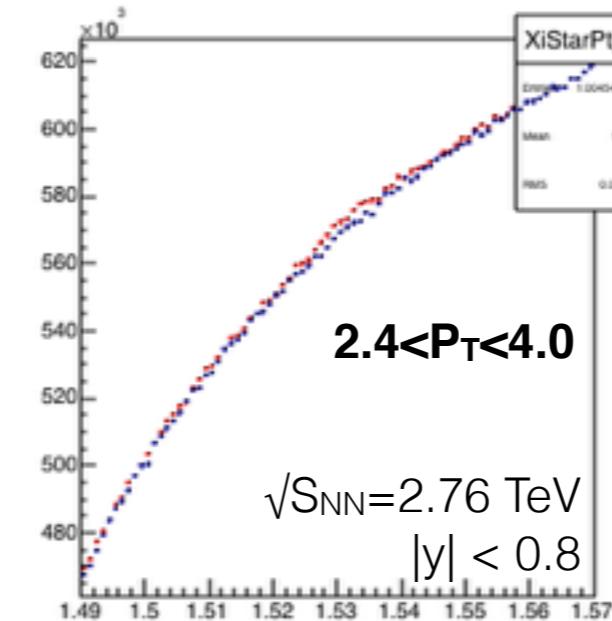
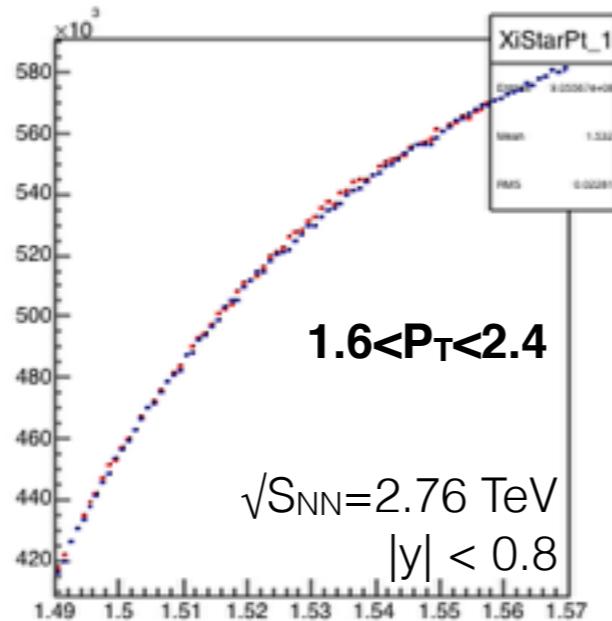
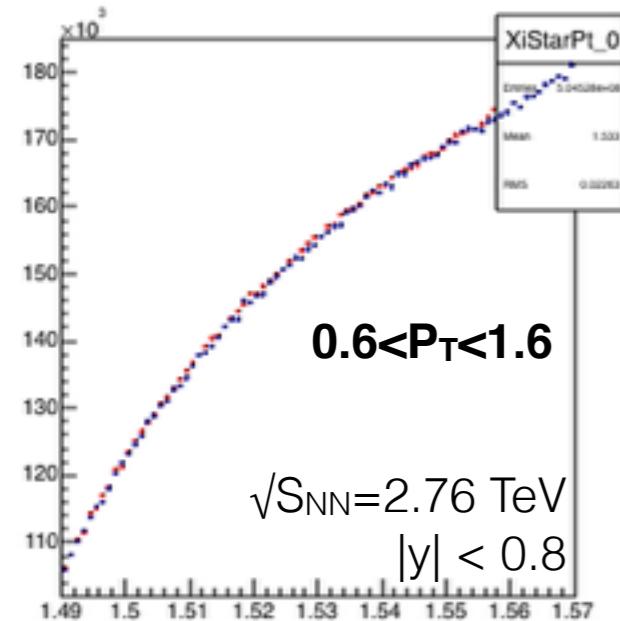
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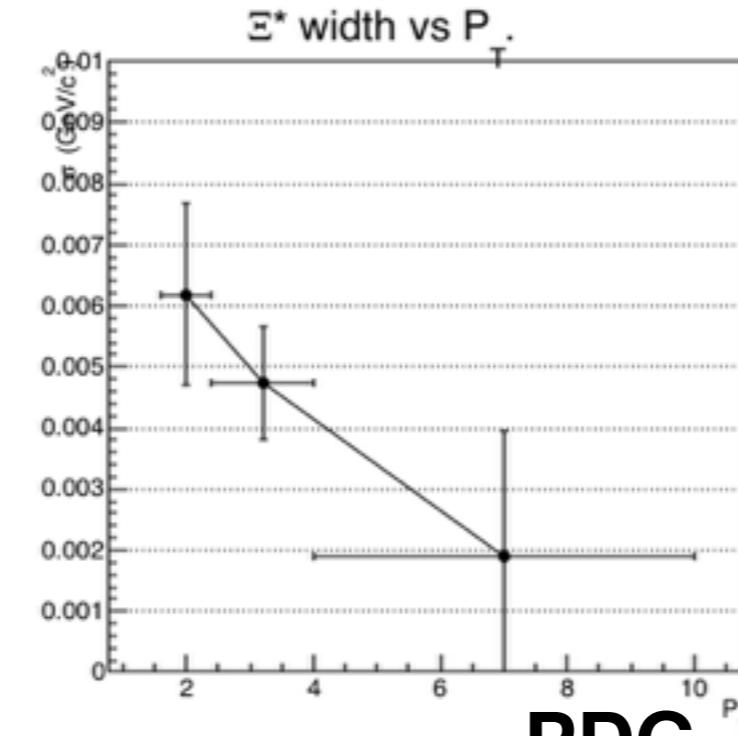
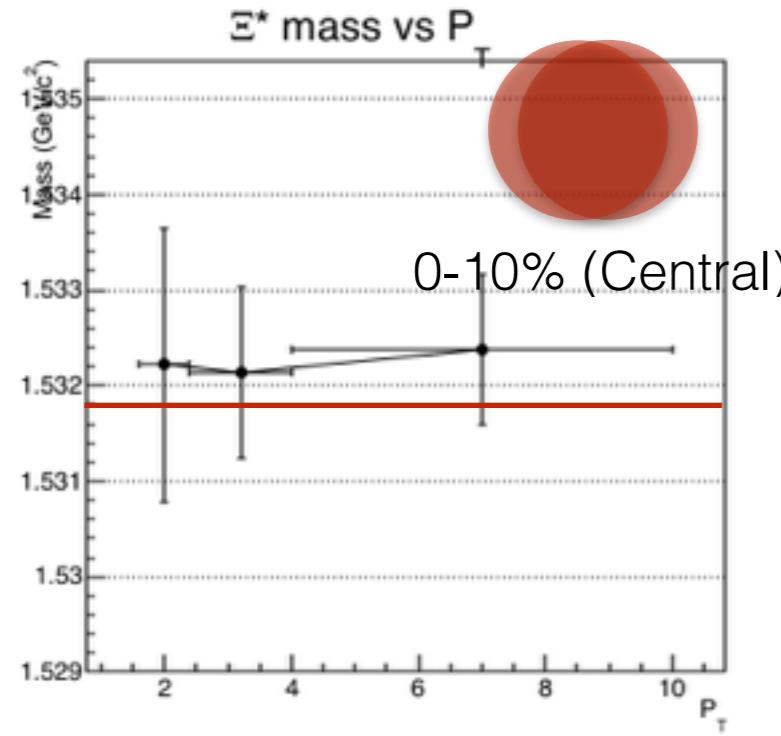
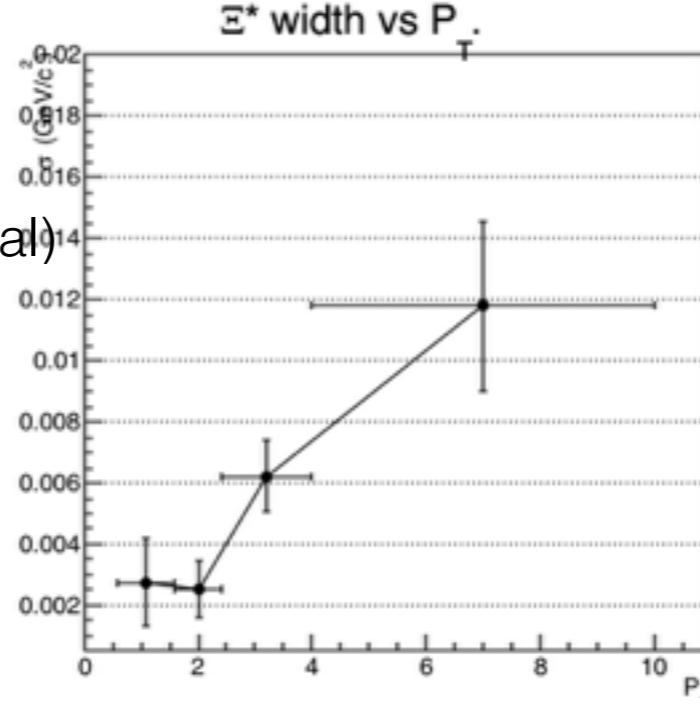
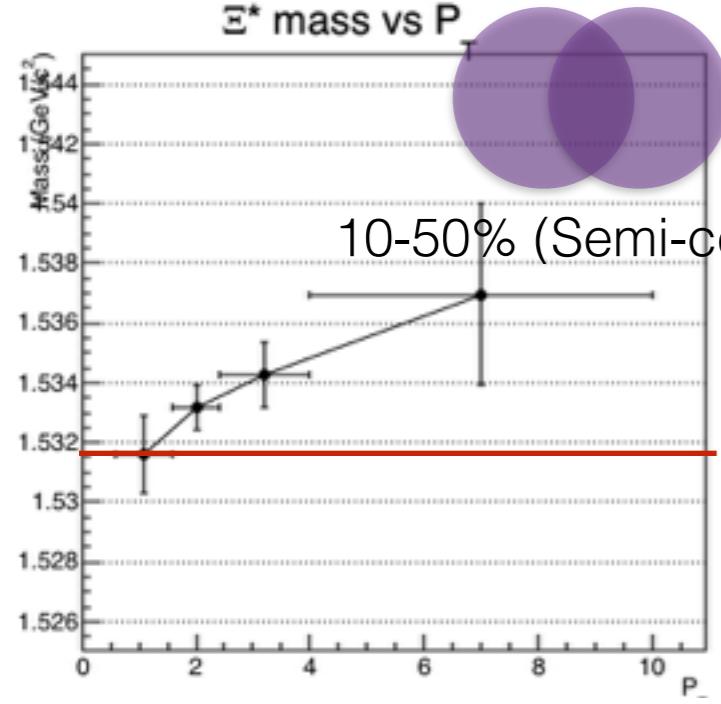


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These results are very !!
first look.
Need deeper & detailed
analysis

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Summary & Outlook

- Ξ^{*0} analysis with p-Pb collisions and Pb-Pb collisions to get R_{AA} and R_{pPb}

p-Pb

@ 5.02TeV

- Under cross checking
- Systematic study is feasible

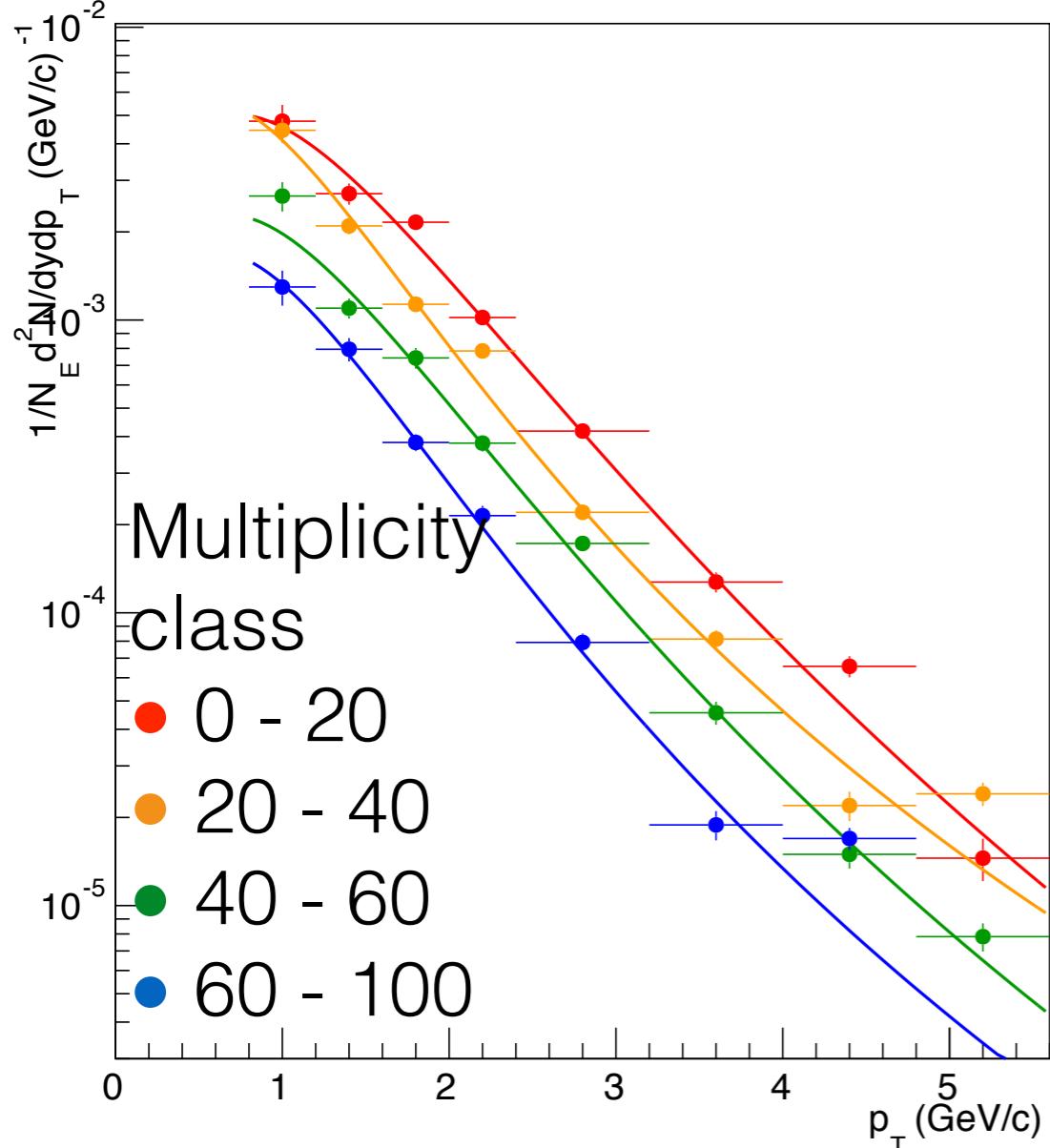
Pb-Pb @
2.76 TeV

- 1st look on Pb-Pb (2011) datasets
- Promising results
- Full statistics are needed
- MC simulation is on the way

Backup

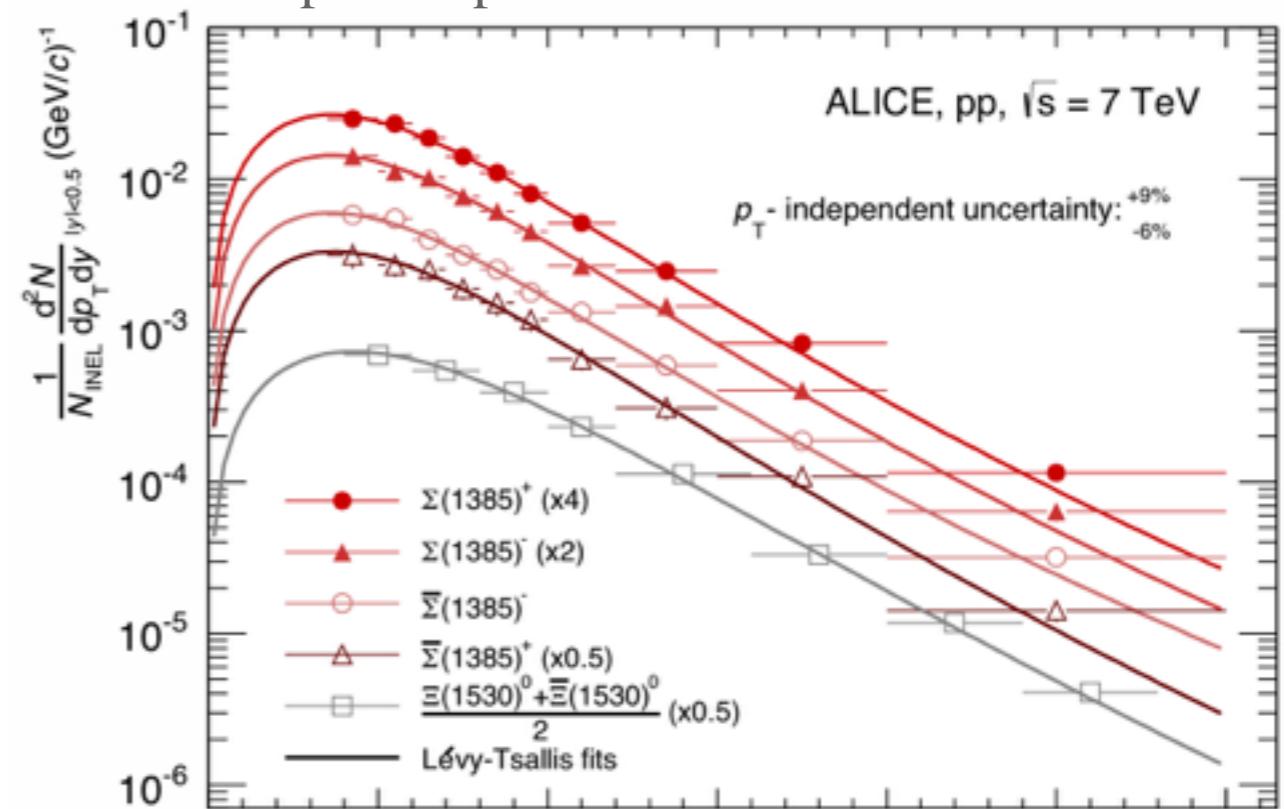
Levy fit of Ξ^*0 yields

pPb $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$ TeV



$$\frac{1}{N_E} \frac{d^2N}{dydp_T} = \frac{dN}{dy} p_T \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{nC(nC + M(n-2))} \left[1 + \frac{\sqrt{p_T^2 + M^2} - M}{nC} \right]^{-n}$$

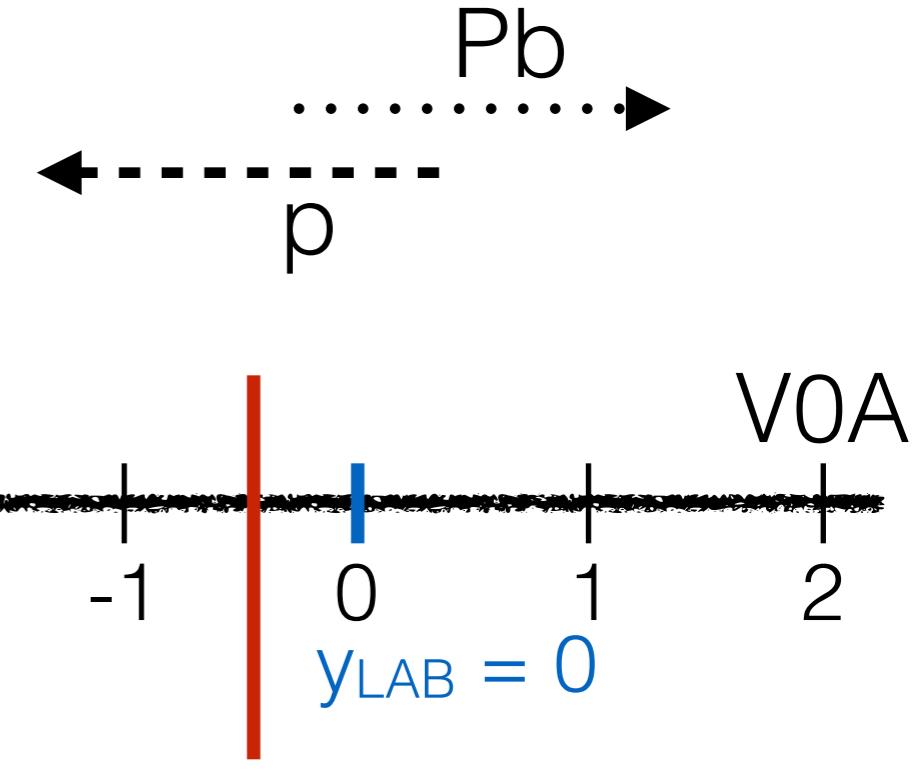
Production of $\Sigma(1385)\pm$ and $\Xi(1530)0$
in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV



	$dN/dy(10^{-3})$	C (MeV)	n
pp	$2.48 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.24$	$404 \pm 20 \pm 21$	$16.9 \pm 3.9 \pm 1.9$
p-Pb	18.25 ± 0.82	259 ± 10	7.97 ± 0.54



Map of CERN sites and LHC access points



$$y_{CMS} = 0 \text{ } (y_{LAB} = -0.465)$$

$$0 < y_{CMS} < 0.5$$

$$-0.5 < y_{CMS} < 0$$

$$-0.3 < y_{CMS} < 0.3$$

$$-0.465 < y_{LAB} < 0.035$$

$$-0.965 < y_{LAB} < -0.465$$

$$-0.765 < y_{LAB} < -0.165$$

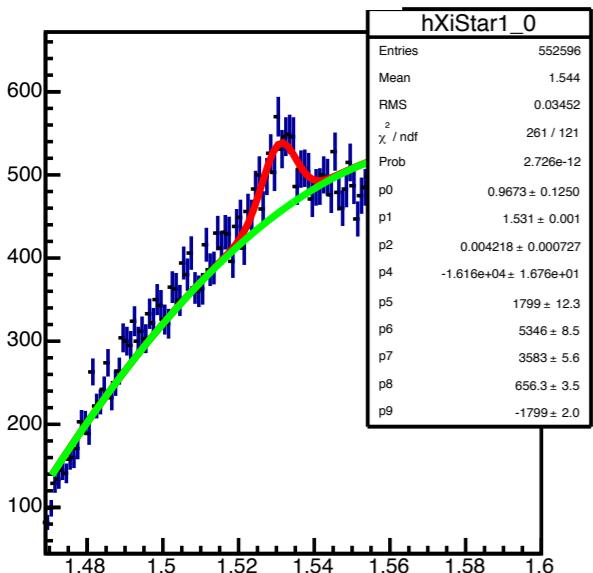
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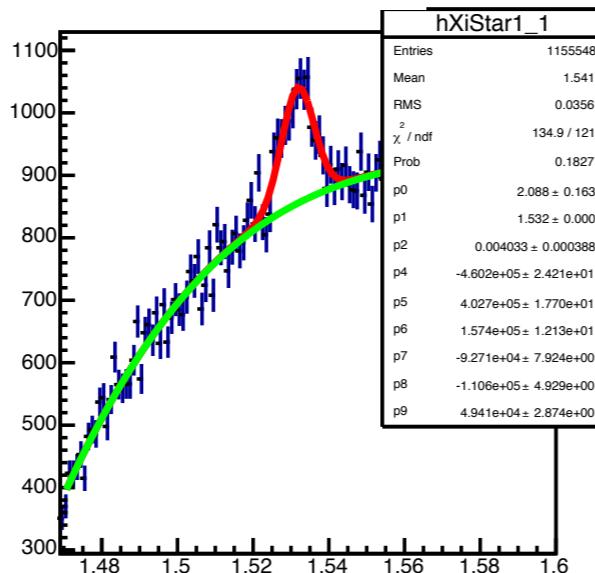
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Centrality **0-20%**

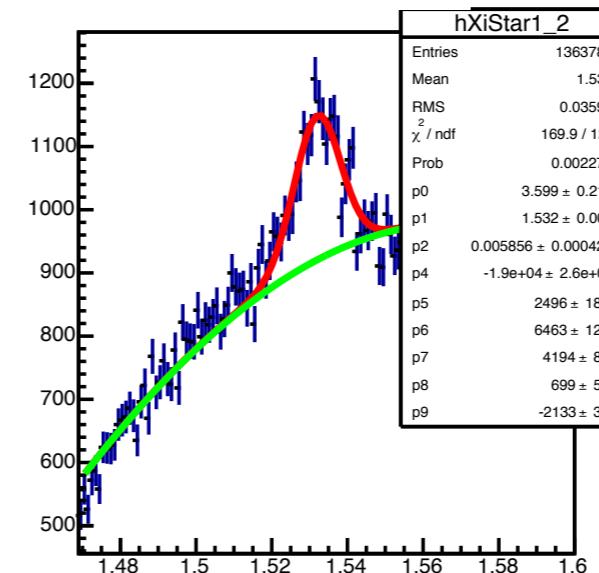
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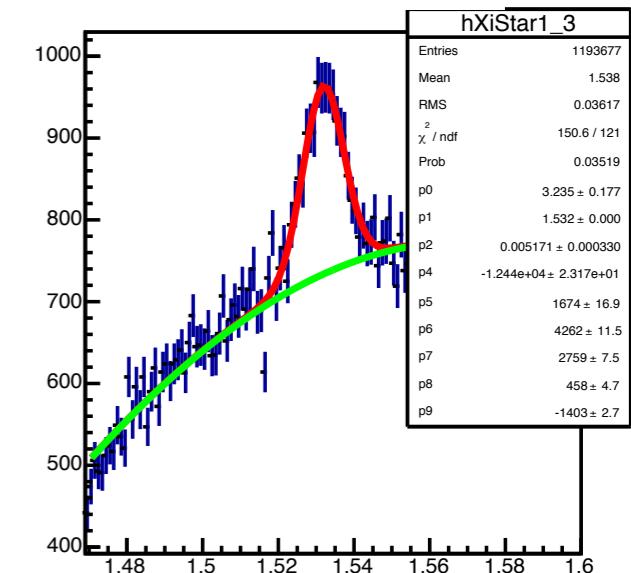
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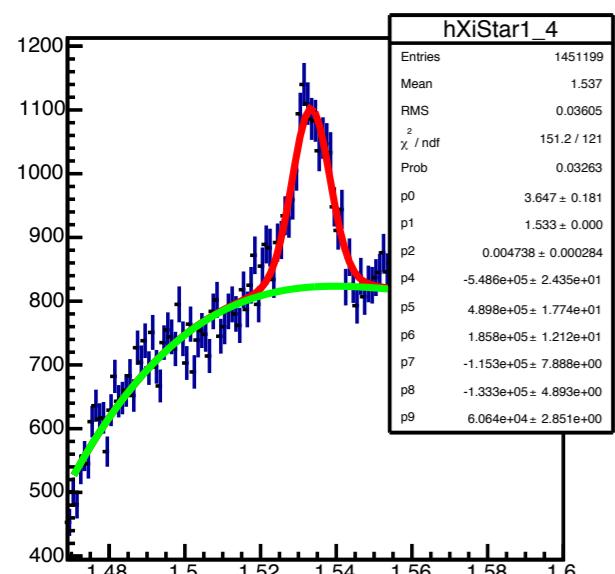
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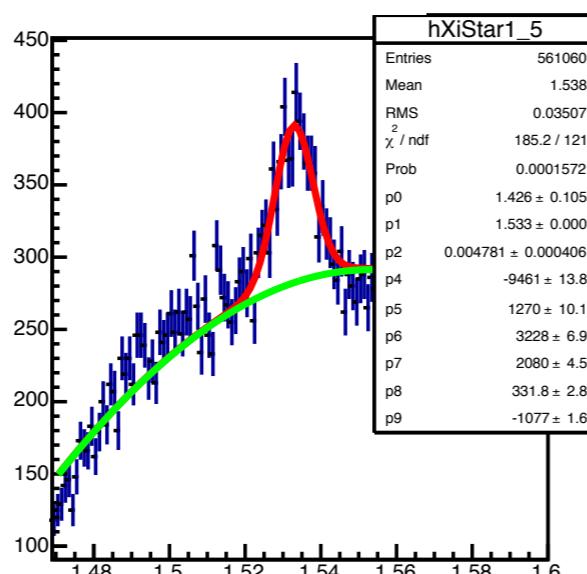
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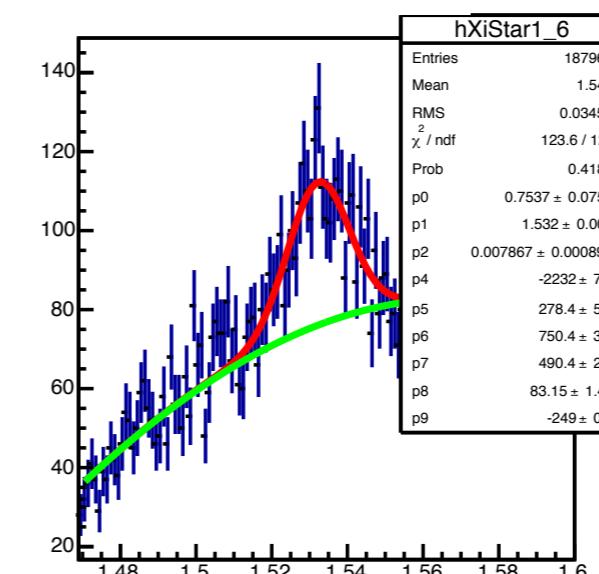
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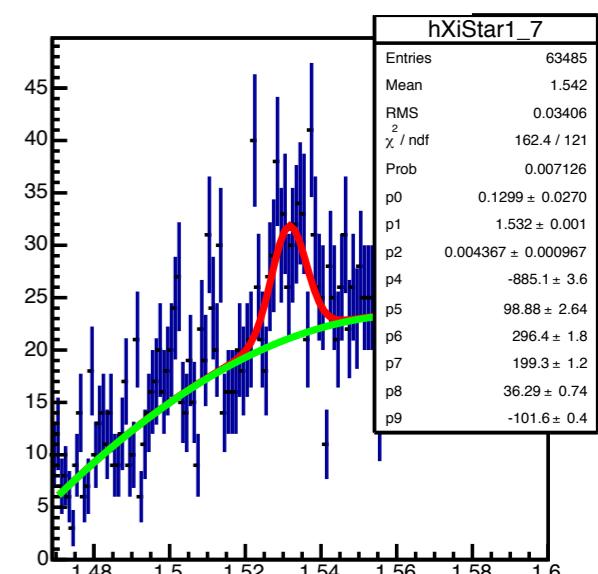
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P_T 4.0-4.8



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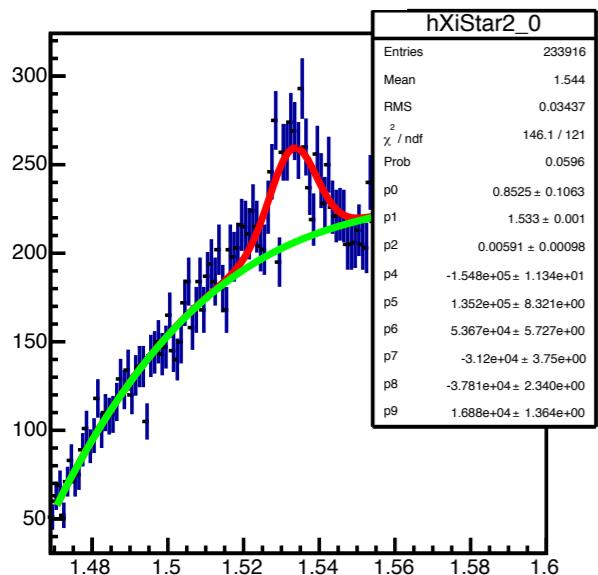
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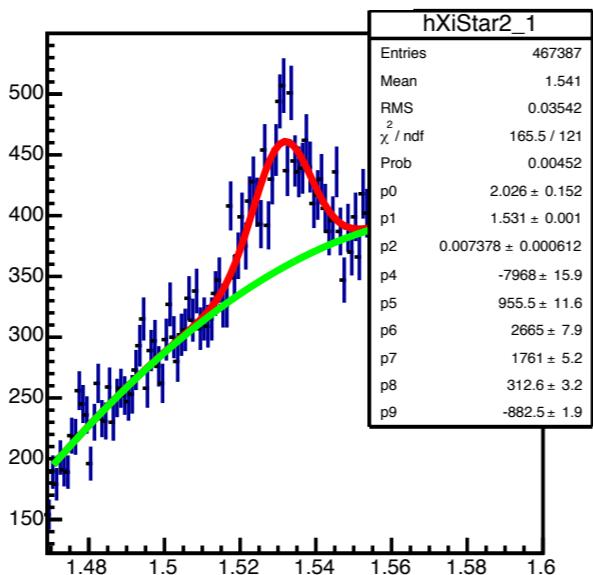
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Centrality **20-40%**

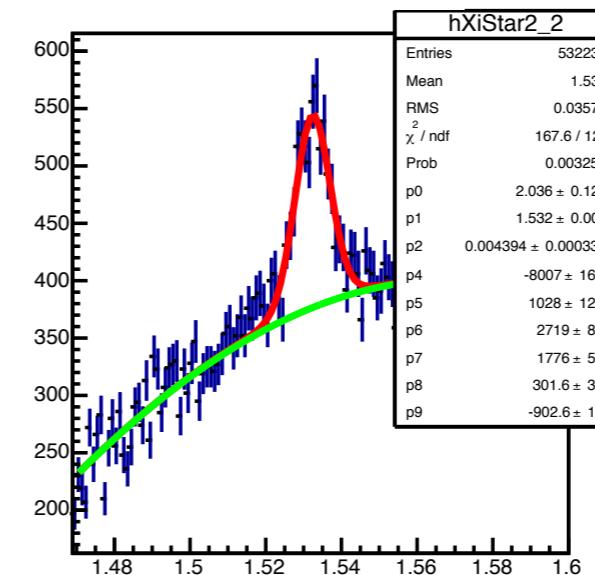
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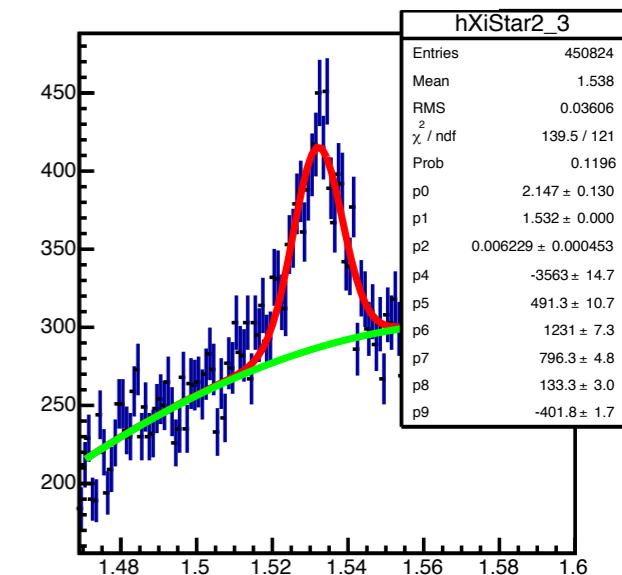
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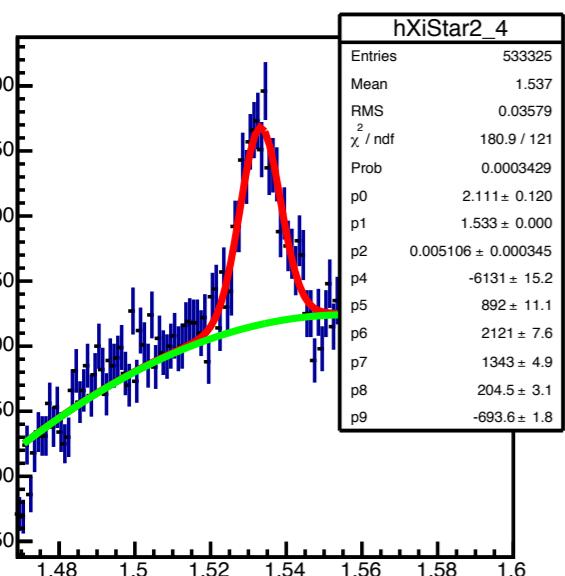
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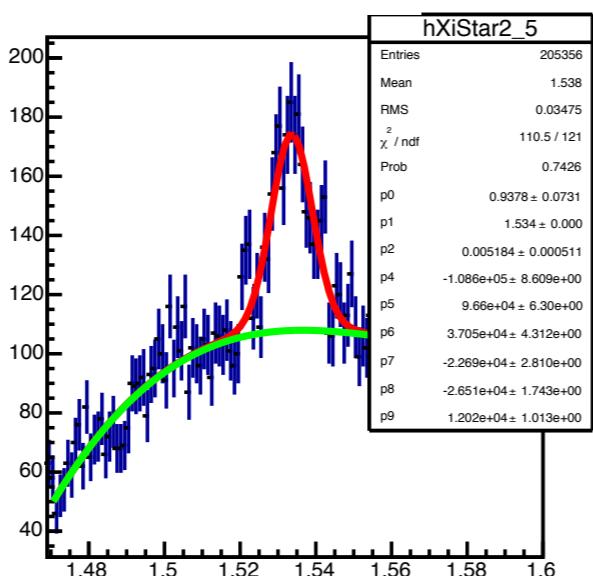
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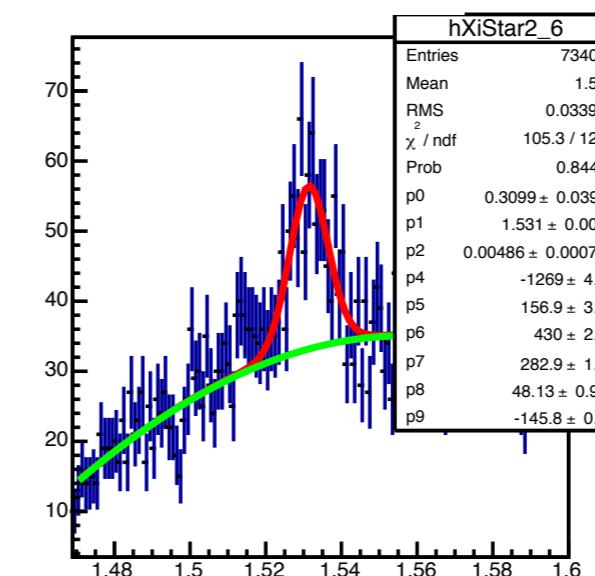
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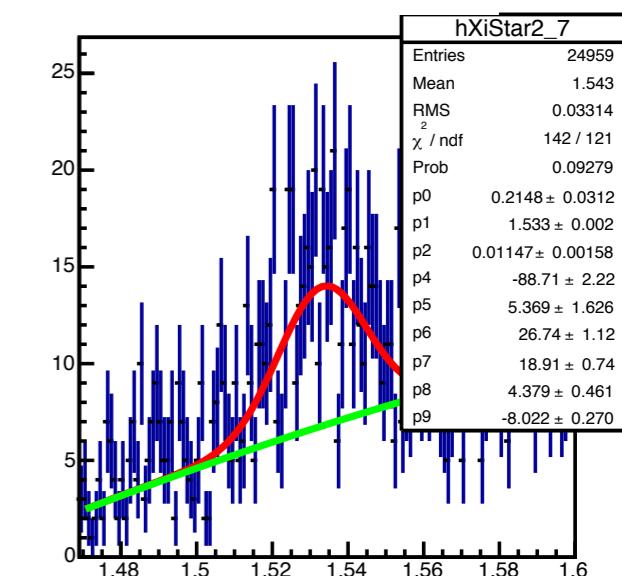
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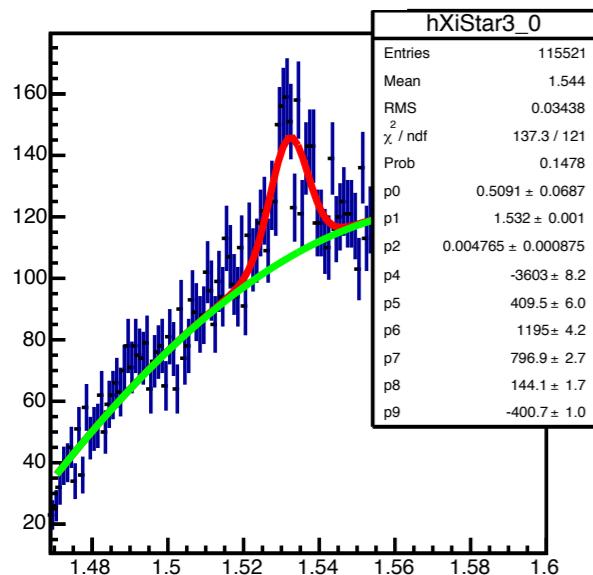
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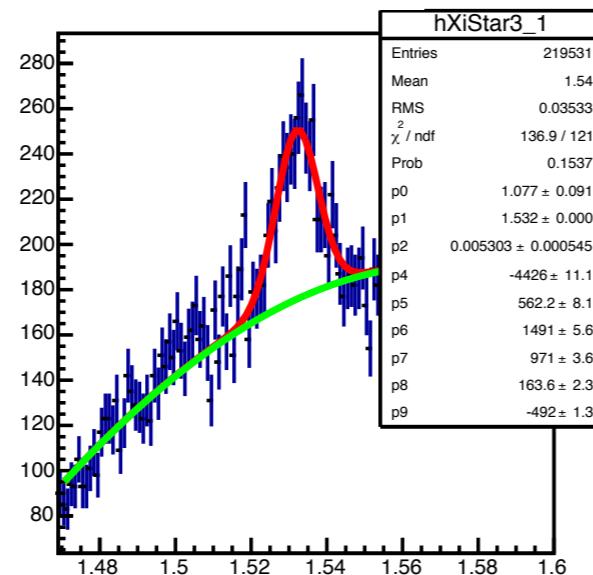
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Centrality **40-60%**

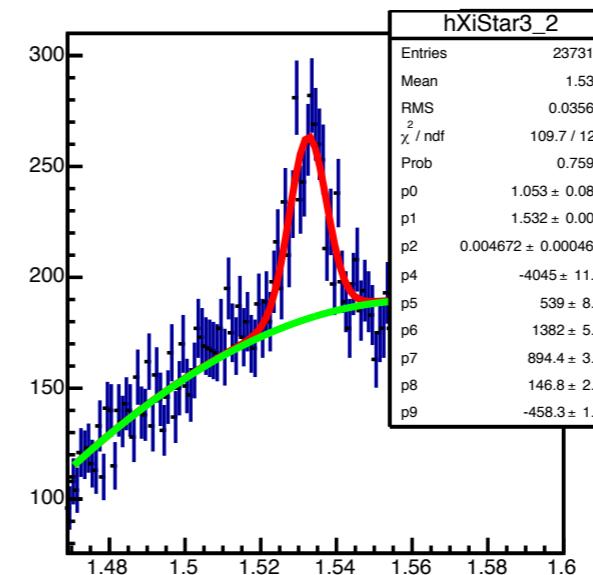
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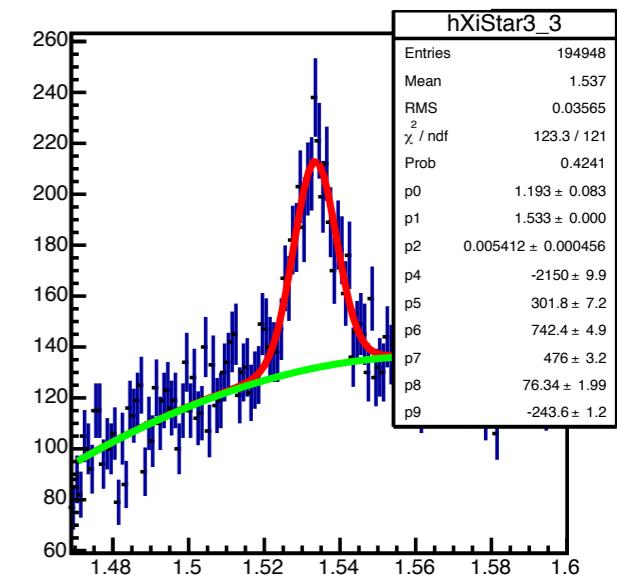
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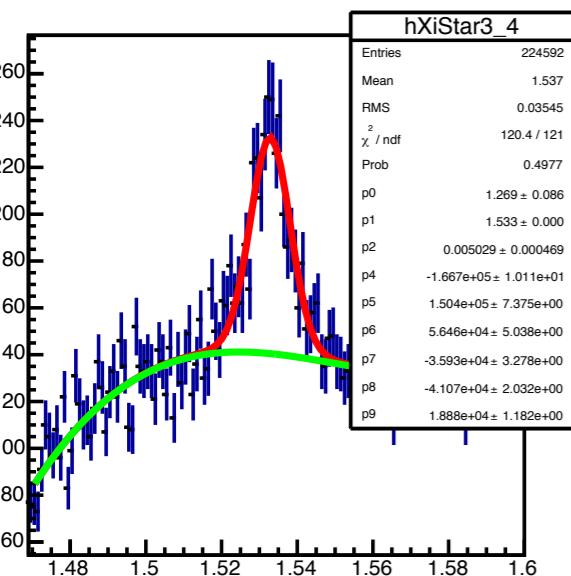
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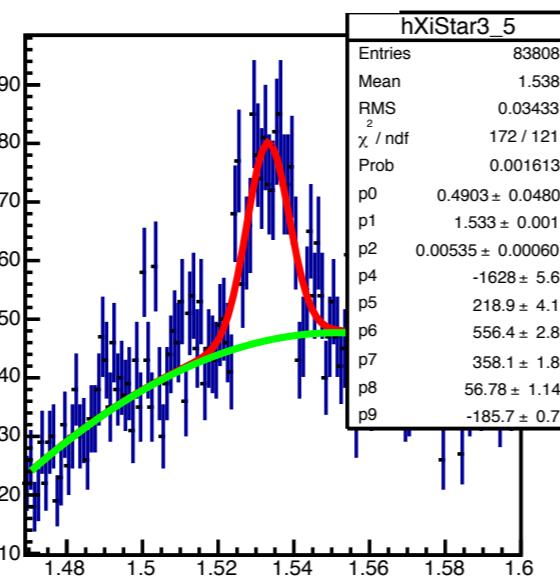
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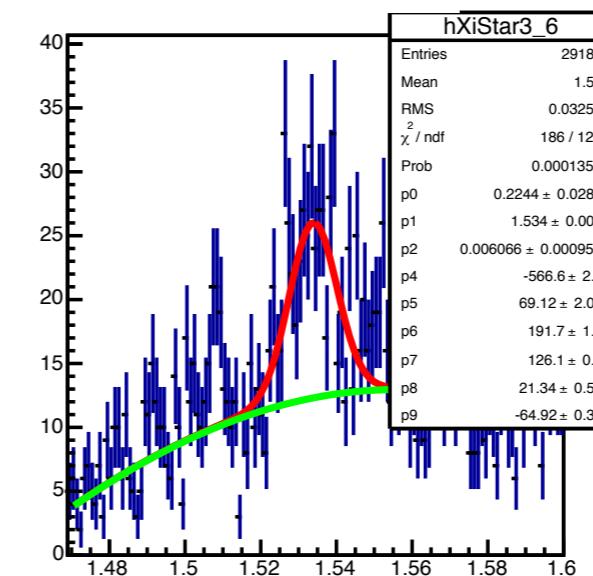
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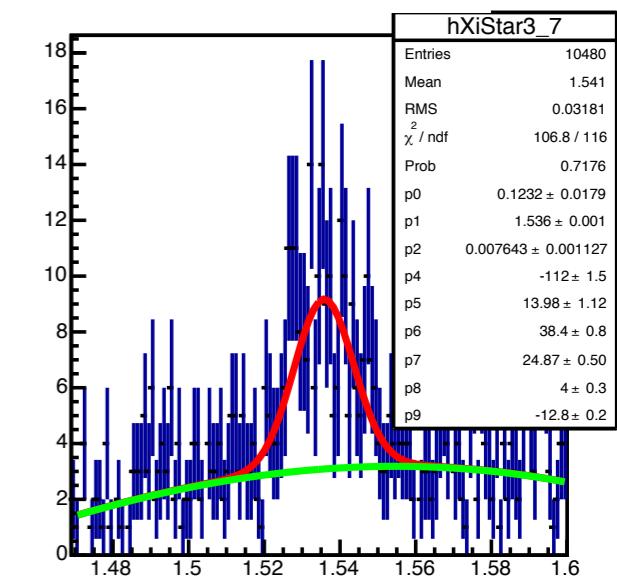
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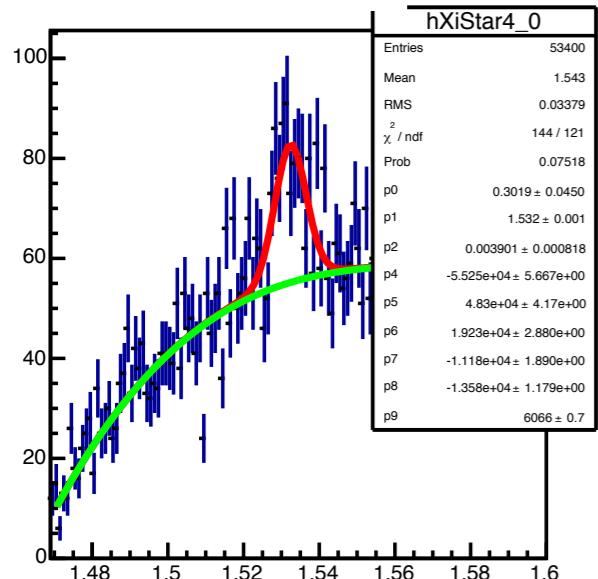
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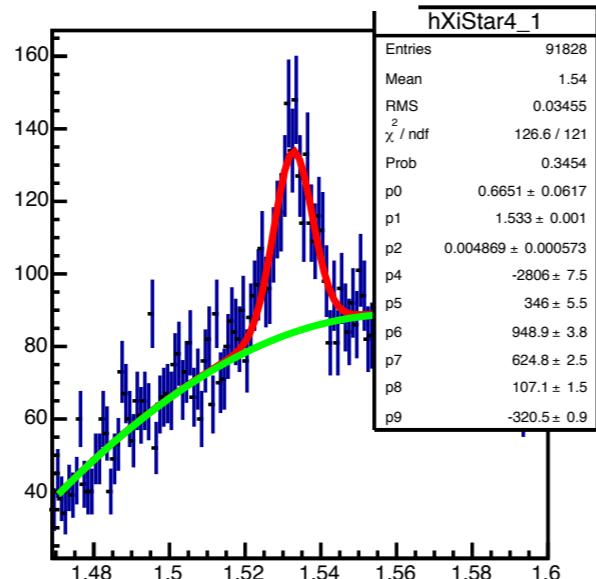
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Centrality **60-100%**

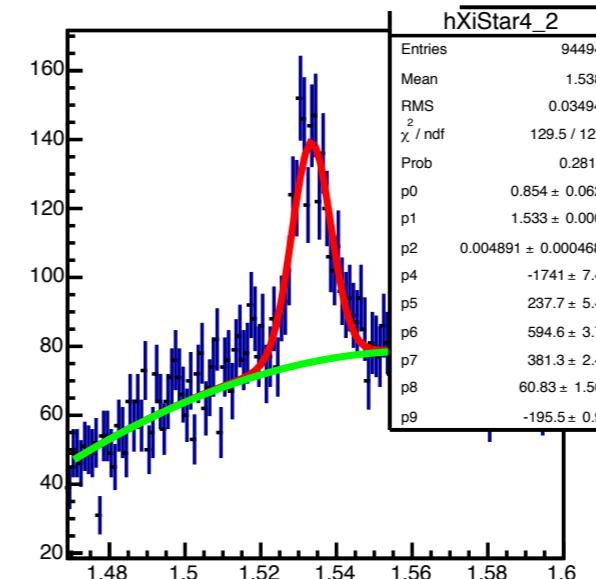
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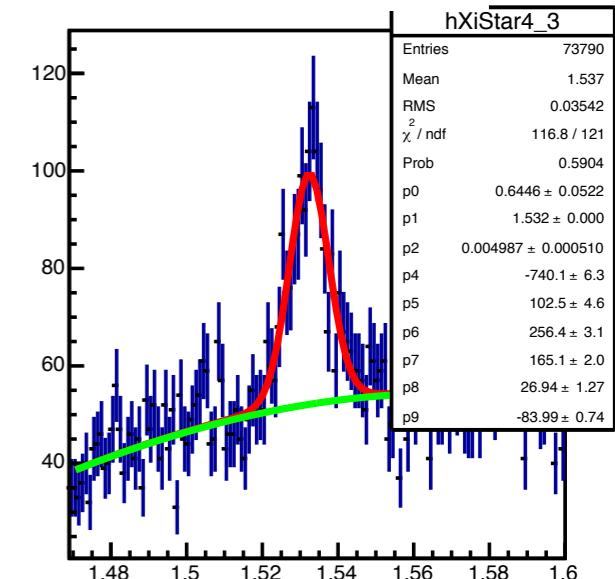
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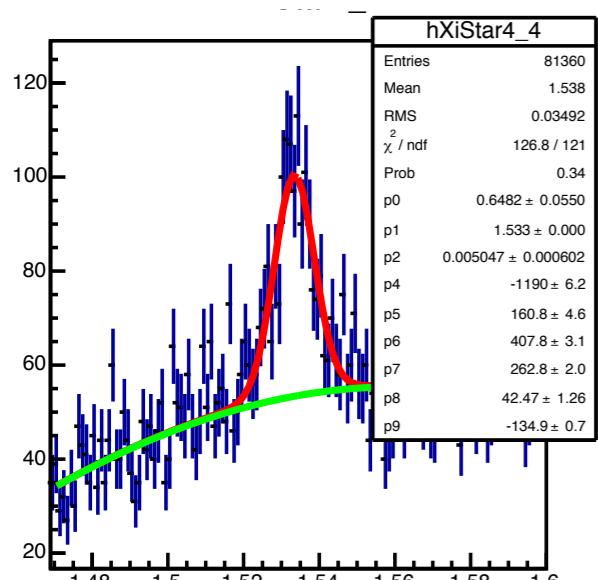
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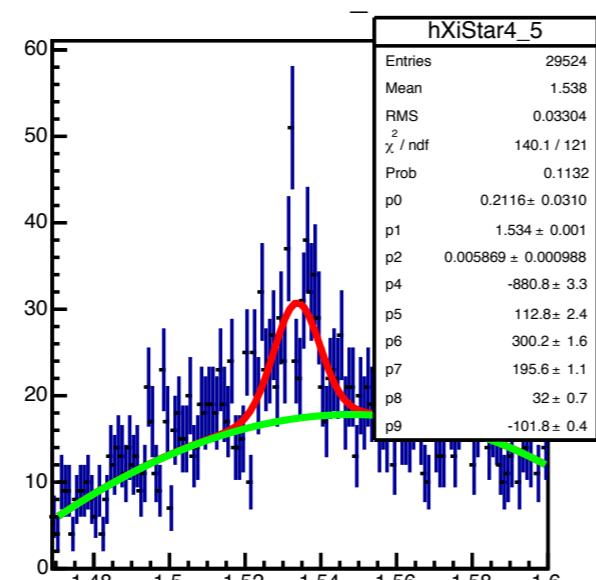
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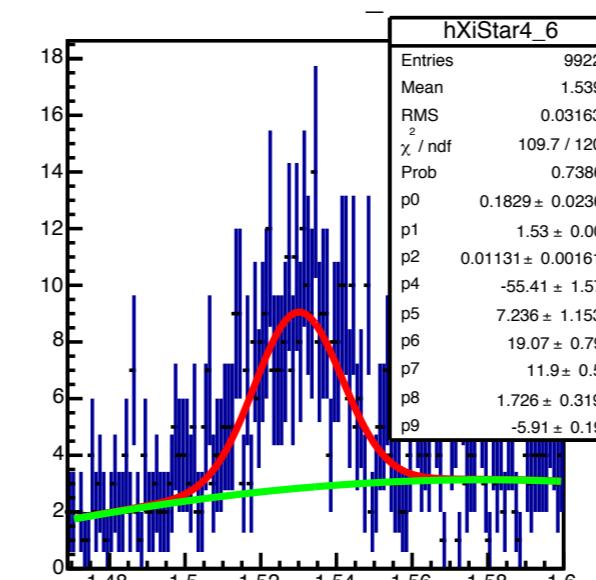
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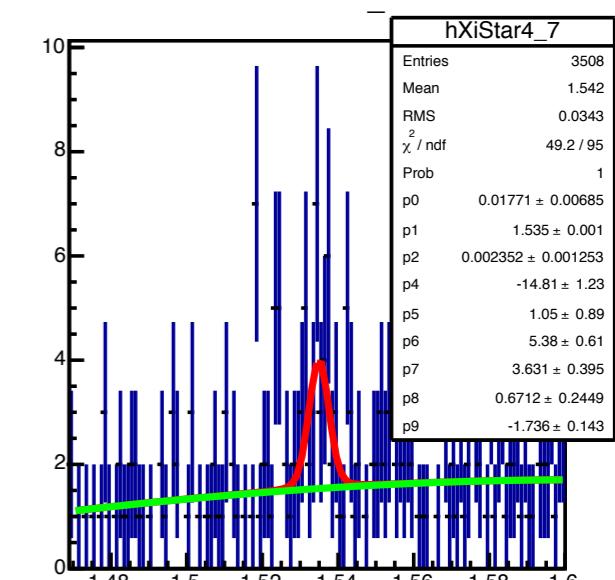
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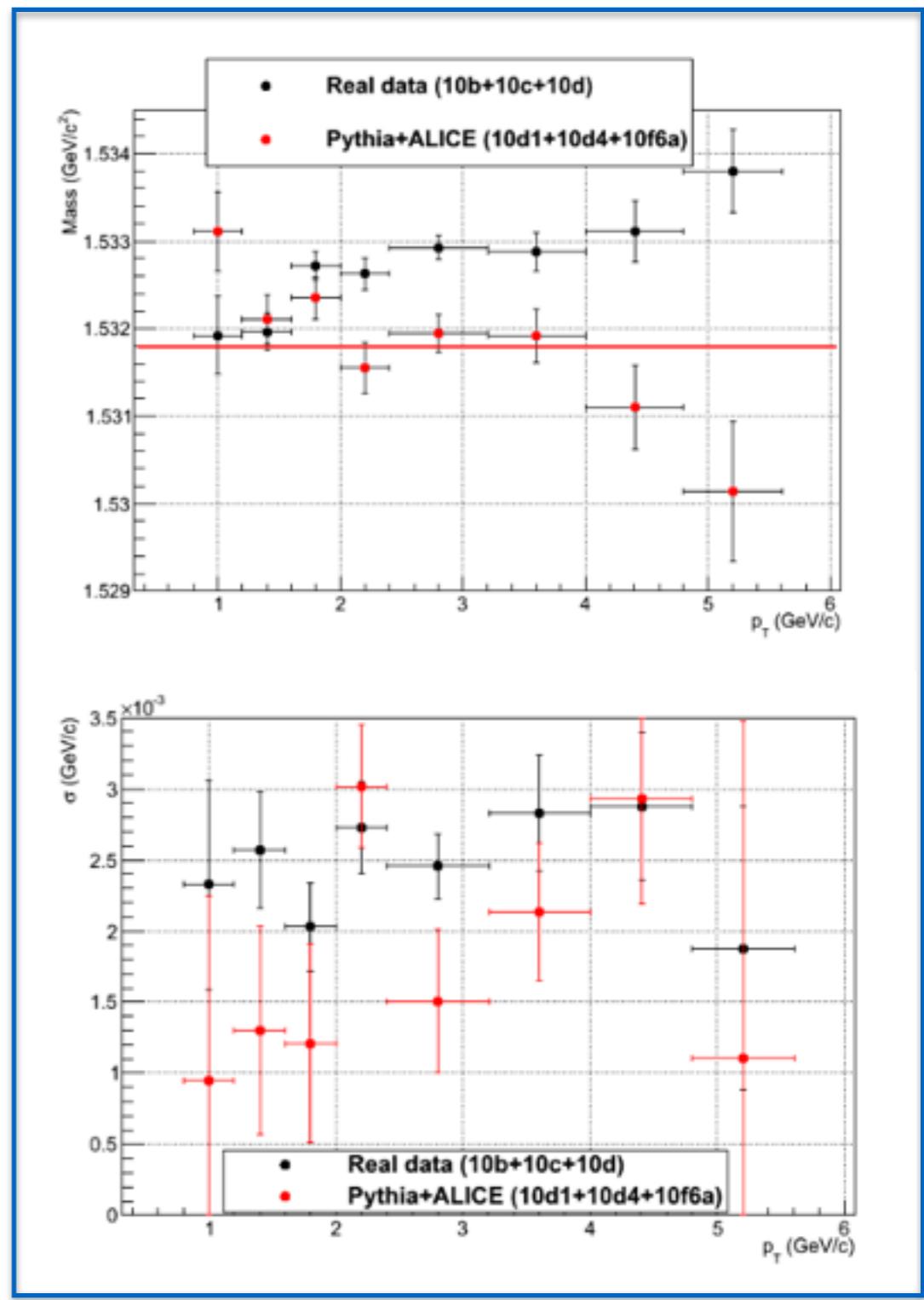
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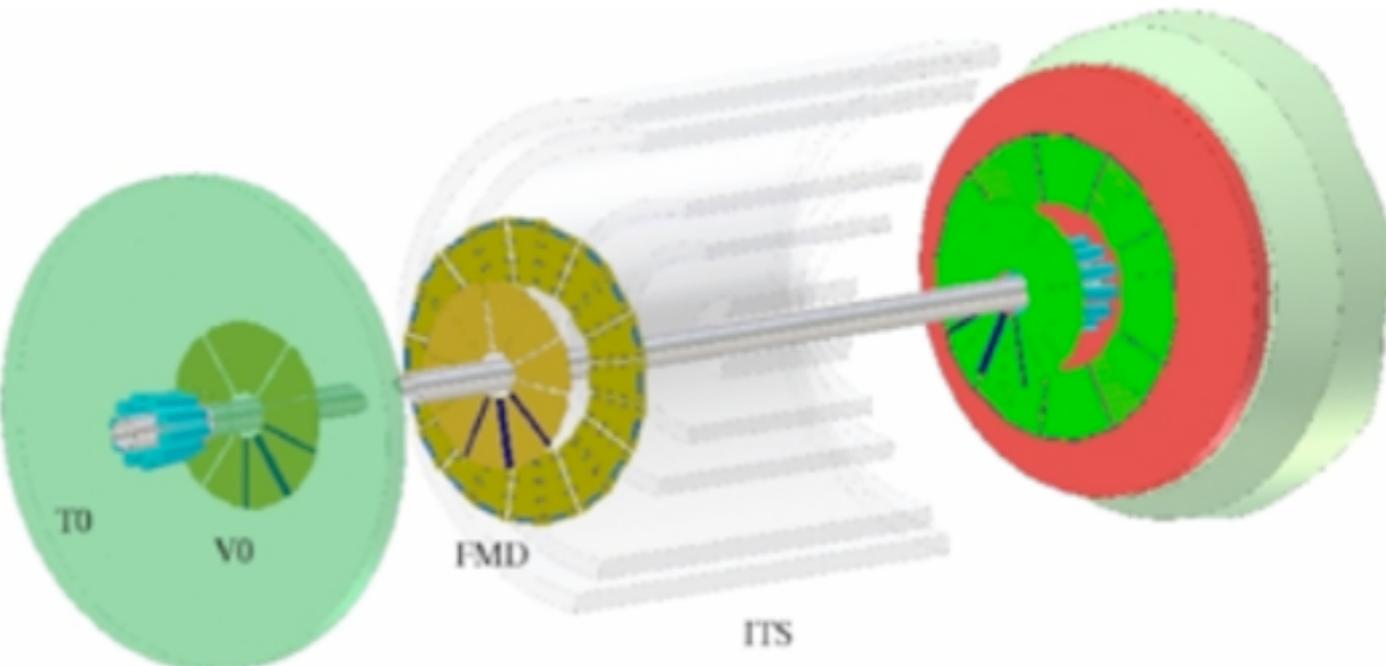
ALICE trigger detectors

The VZERO detector

- Two arrays of scintillator hodoscopes
 - Located at $z \sim 340\text{cm}$ (V0A) and -90cm (V0C)
 - Segmented in four rings and eight sectors each
- Trigger algorithm / criteria:
 - minimum number of clusters on V0A | V0C
 - minimum number of clusters on V0A & V0C
 - on HIC (2011) two thresholds were considered (increased) to use it as centrality trigger
 - 0-10% CC maximum stats
 - 0-50% CC downscaling



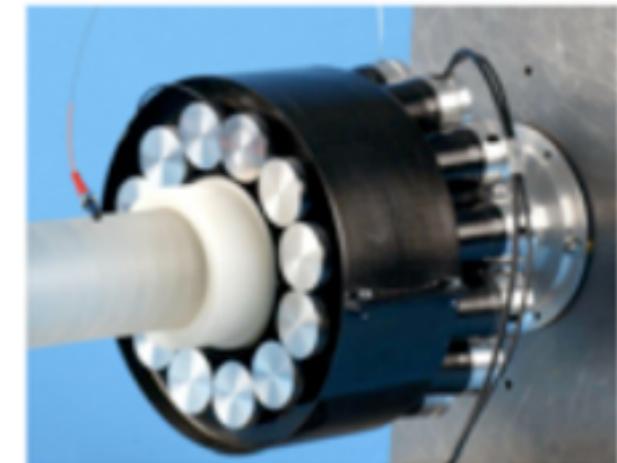
V0 scheme.



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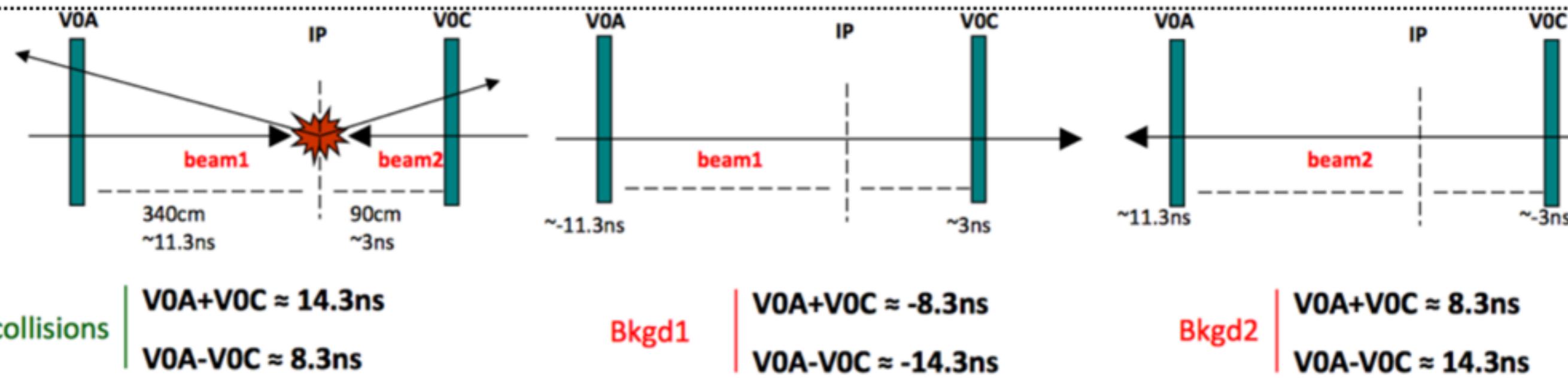
The T0 detector

- Two arrays of Cherenkov counters
 - 12 counters (photomultiplier + radiator) per array
 - located at $z \sim 350\text{cm}$ (T0A) and -70cm (T0C)



T0 prototype.

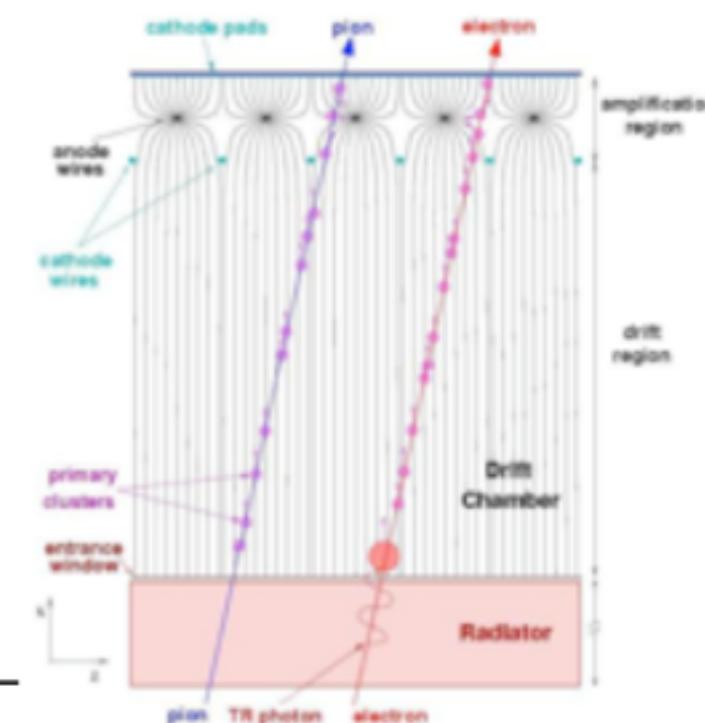
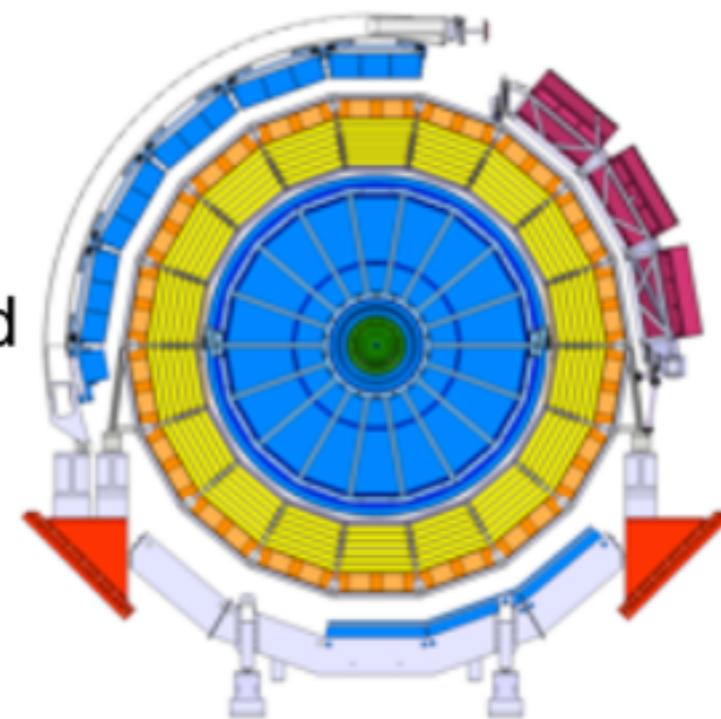
- Trigger algorithm / criteria:
 - Measurement of the particles arrival time at T0A & T0C evaluates the vertex position (time of the interaction)
 - Interaction time should match the



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The TRD & EMCAL detectors

- EMCAL
 - Lead-scintillator sampling calorimeter ($|\Delta\eta|<0.7$, 100° in azimuth, towers of $\Delta\eta \times \Delta\phi = 0.014 \times 0.014$)
 - Trigger algorithm / criteria: threshold on the energy deposited
 - Gamma (single shower) trigger (2x2 towers)
 - Jet trigger (8x8, 16x16... towers)
 - Energy thresholds are adapted per data taking period
- TRD
 - 18 sectors (x 6 layers x 5 segments along z) of a radiator of $\sim 4.8\text{cm}$ and a multi-wire proportional chamber (MRPC)
 - Trigger algorithm / criteria: threshold on the track pt
 - Single electron and di-electron triggers
 - Jet-like trigger also present
 - Energy thresholds are adapted per data taking period



Schema of a TRD.