

# Angular correlation results from ALICE

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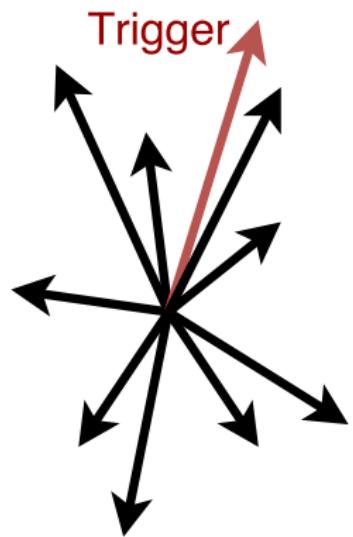
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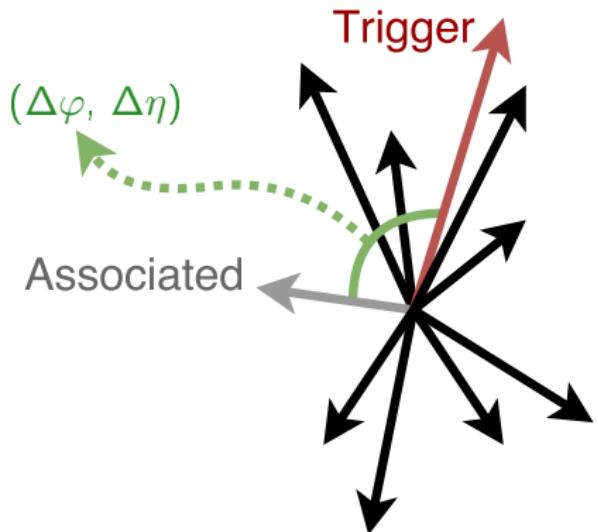
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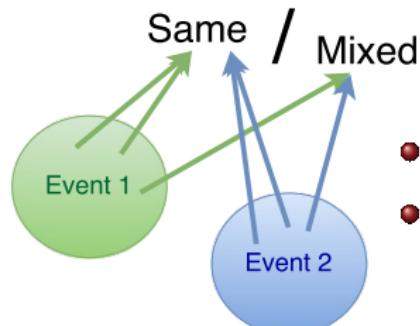
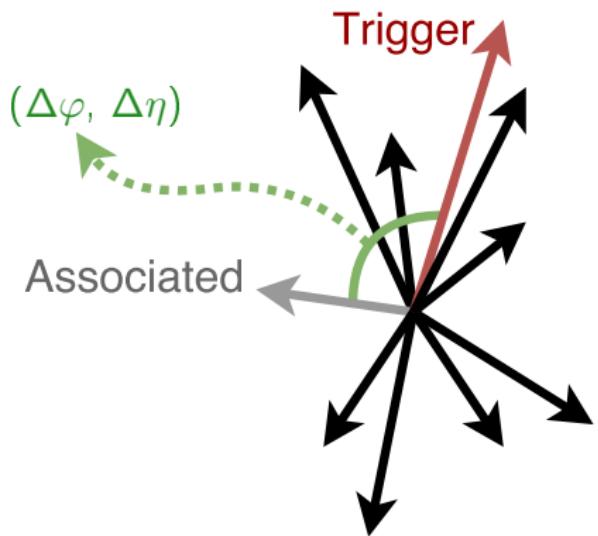


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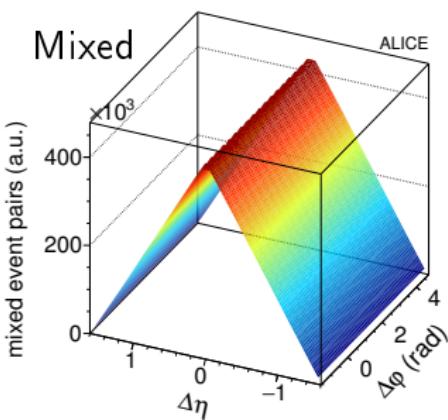
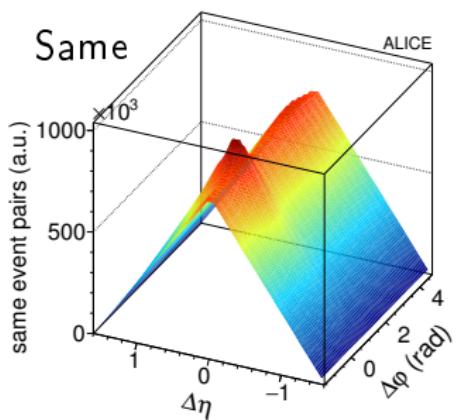
$$\frac{1}{N_{trig}} \frac{d^2 N_{assoc}}{d\Delta\eta d\Delta\varphi} = \frac{S(\Delta\eta, \Delta\varphi)}{\alpha M(\Delta\eta, \Delta\varphi)}$$

- Denominator normalized to 1 by  $\alpha$  at  $(\Delta\varphi, \Delta\eta) = (0, 0)$



- $\Delta\varphi - \Delta\eta$  distribution calculated in both
- Division removes acceptance effects and inefficiencies

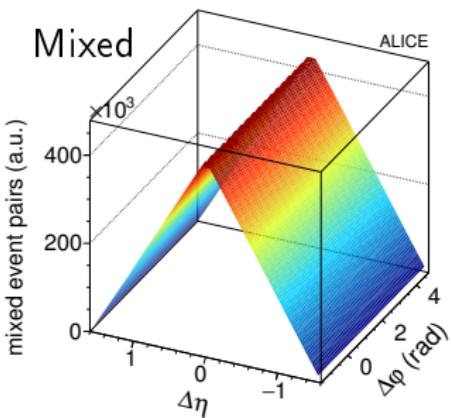
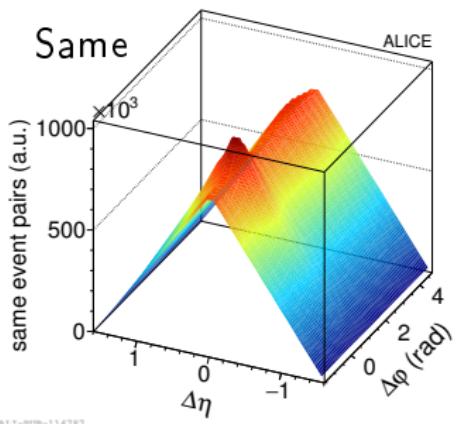
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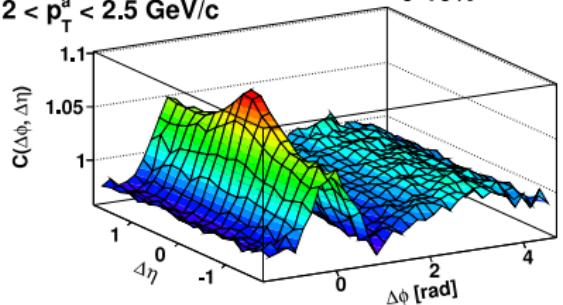
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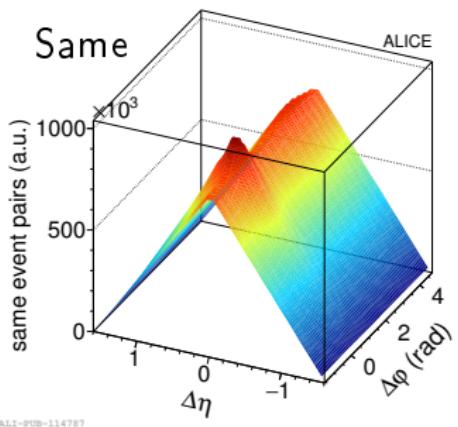
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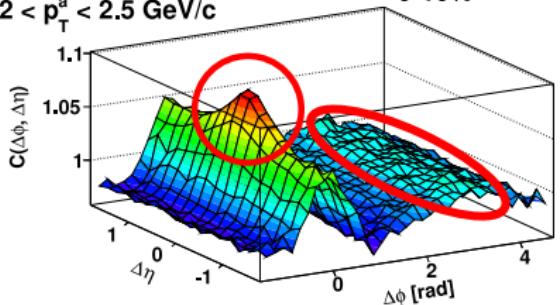
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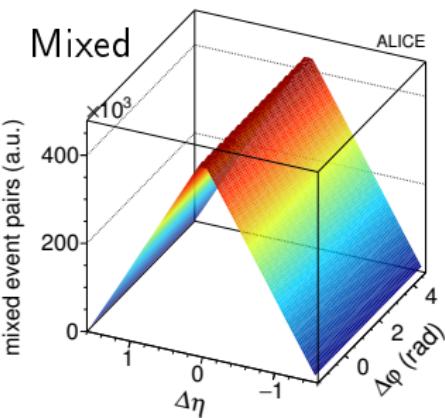
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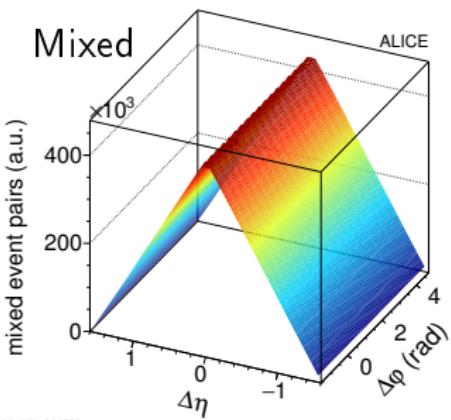
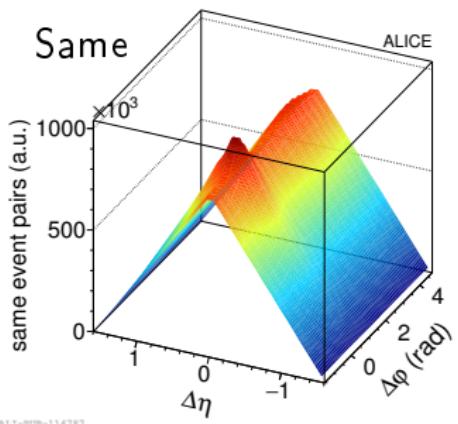
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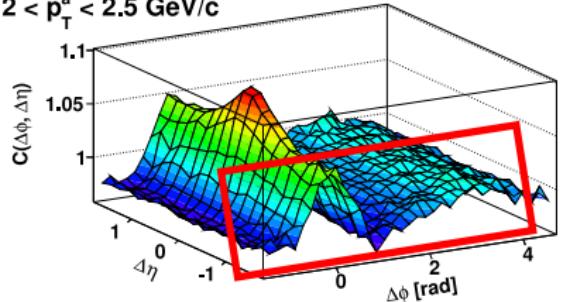
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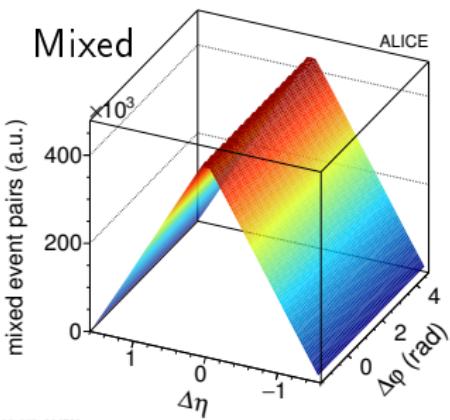
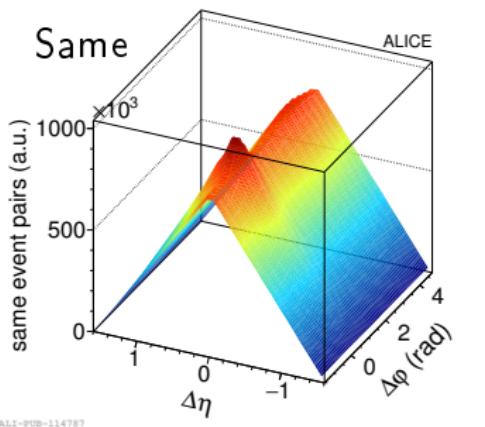
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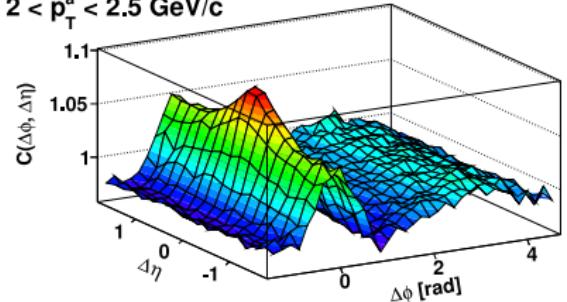
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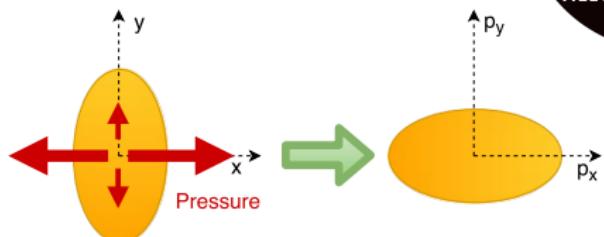
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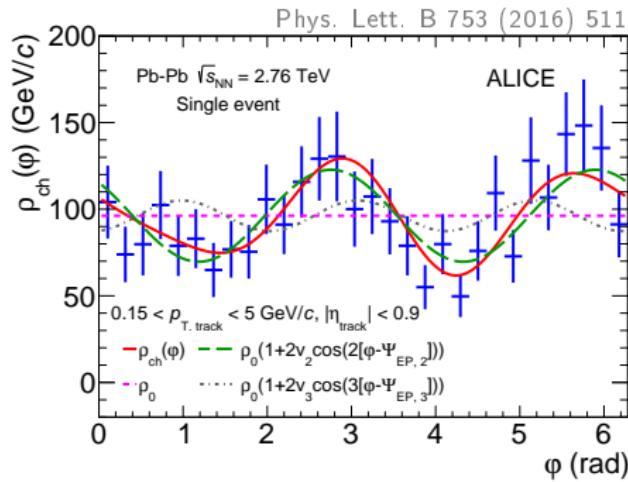
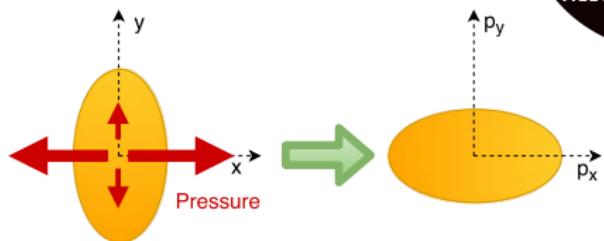


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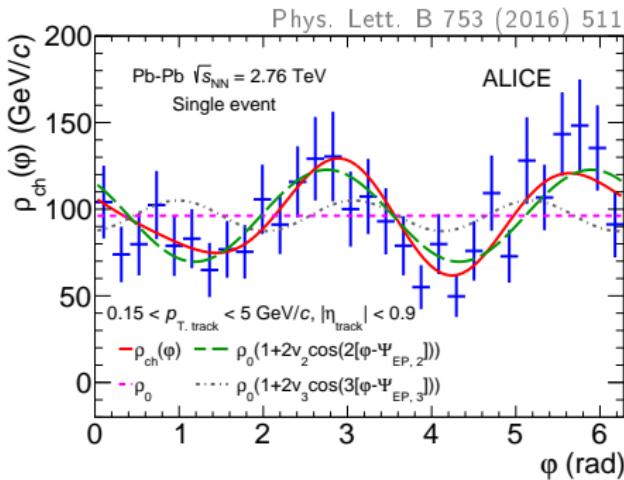
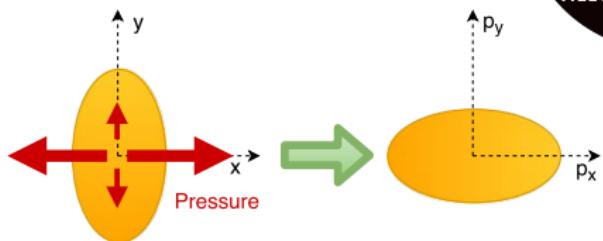


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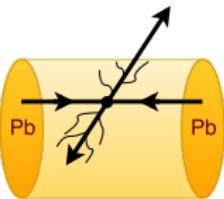
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- In Pb–Pb considered as a sign of collectivity
- Do we see the same in pp or p–Pb?



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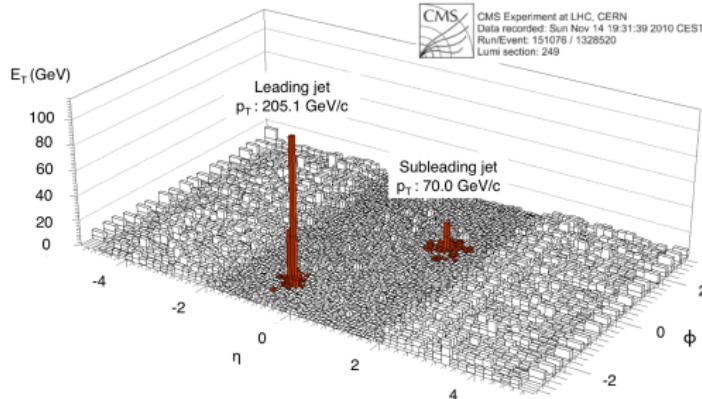
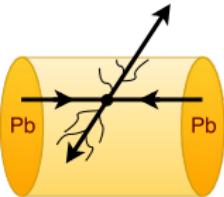


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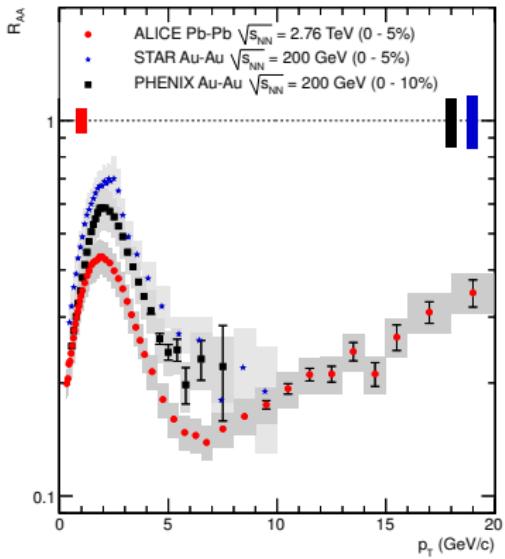


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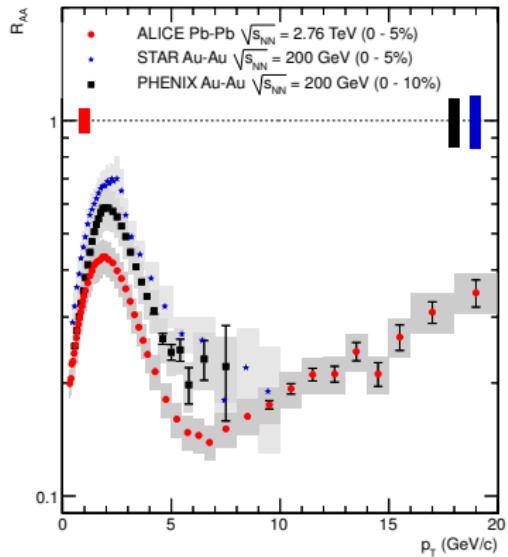
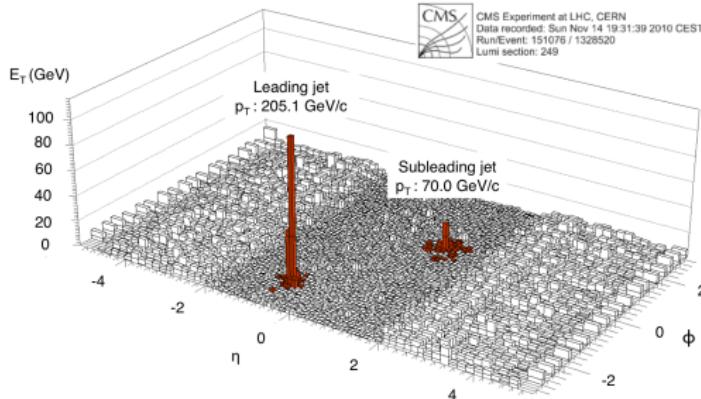
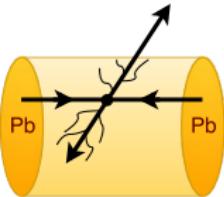


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- How is the quenched energy dissipated?

## Possible studies with angular correlations

- Low-energy processes in the jets
- Large angle scatterings
- Inner structure of the jet
- Path-length dependence
- Collectivity in small systems
- Multiplicity dependence of flow
- Species dependence of flow
- ...

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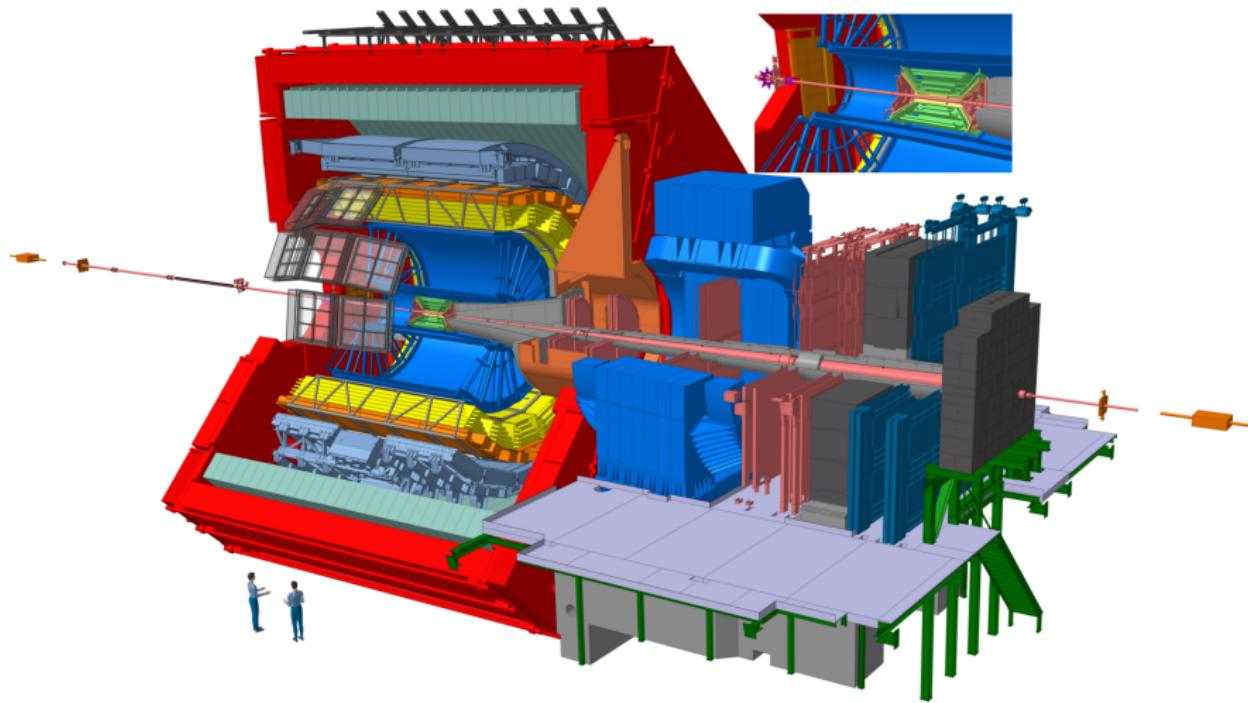
## Observables

- 1D or 2D per trigger yield
- $I_{AA}$  or  $I_{CP}$
- Peak width
- Peak shape

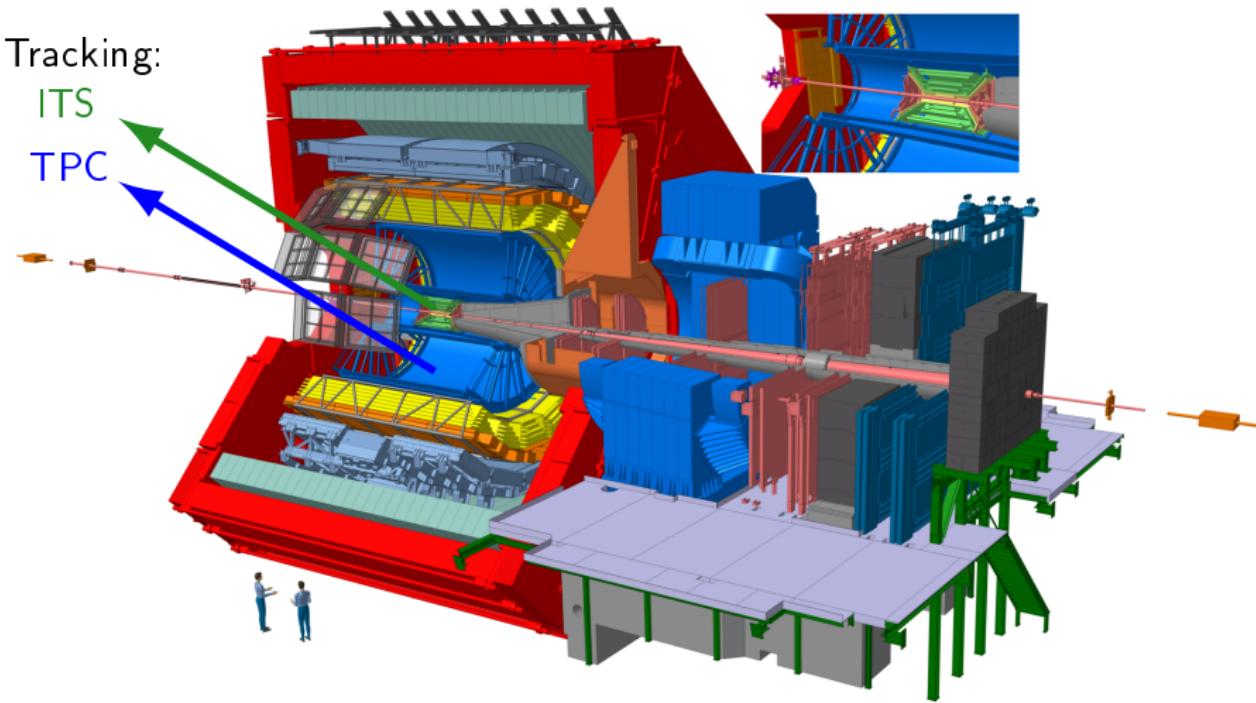
## As a function of

- Multiplicity or centrality
- $p_T$
- Event plane
- Energy
- Collision system

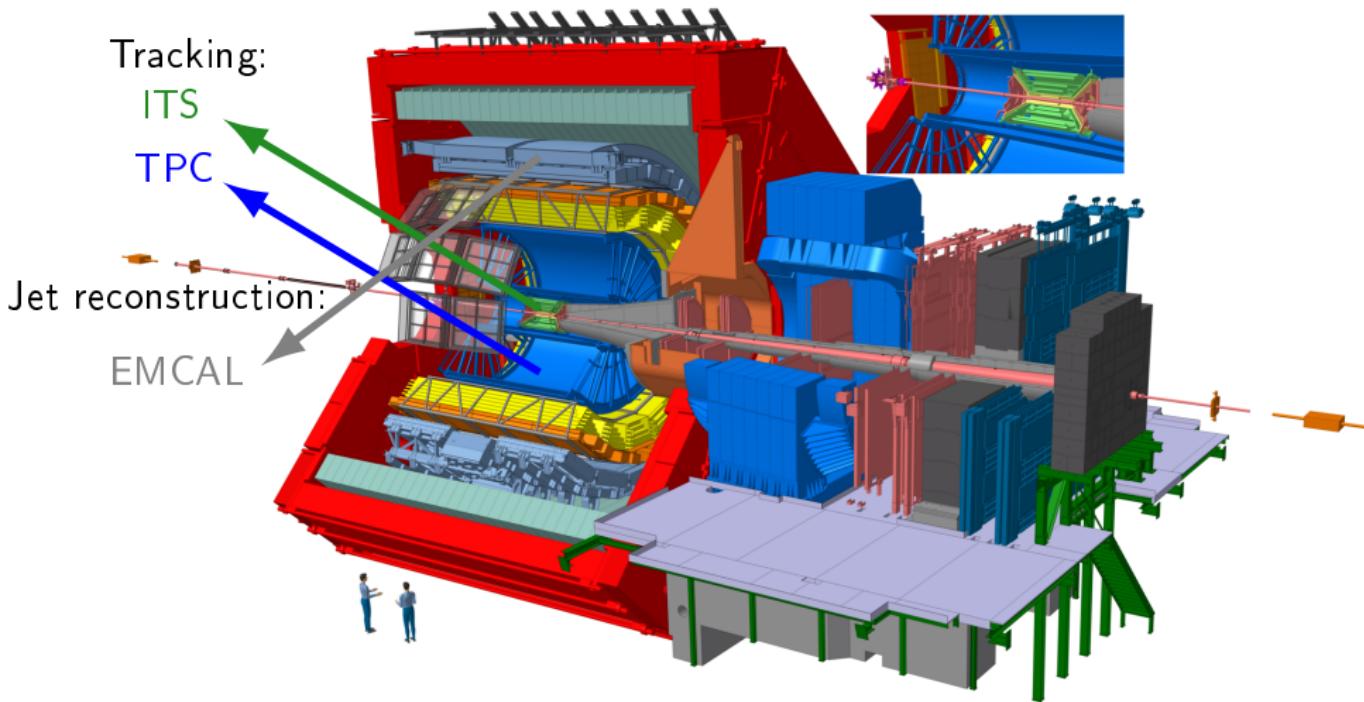
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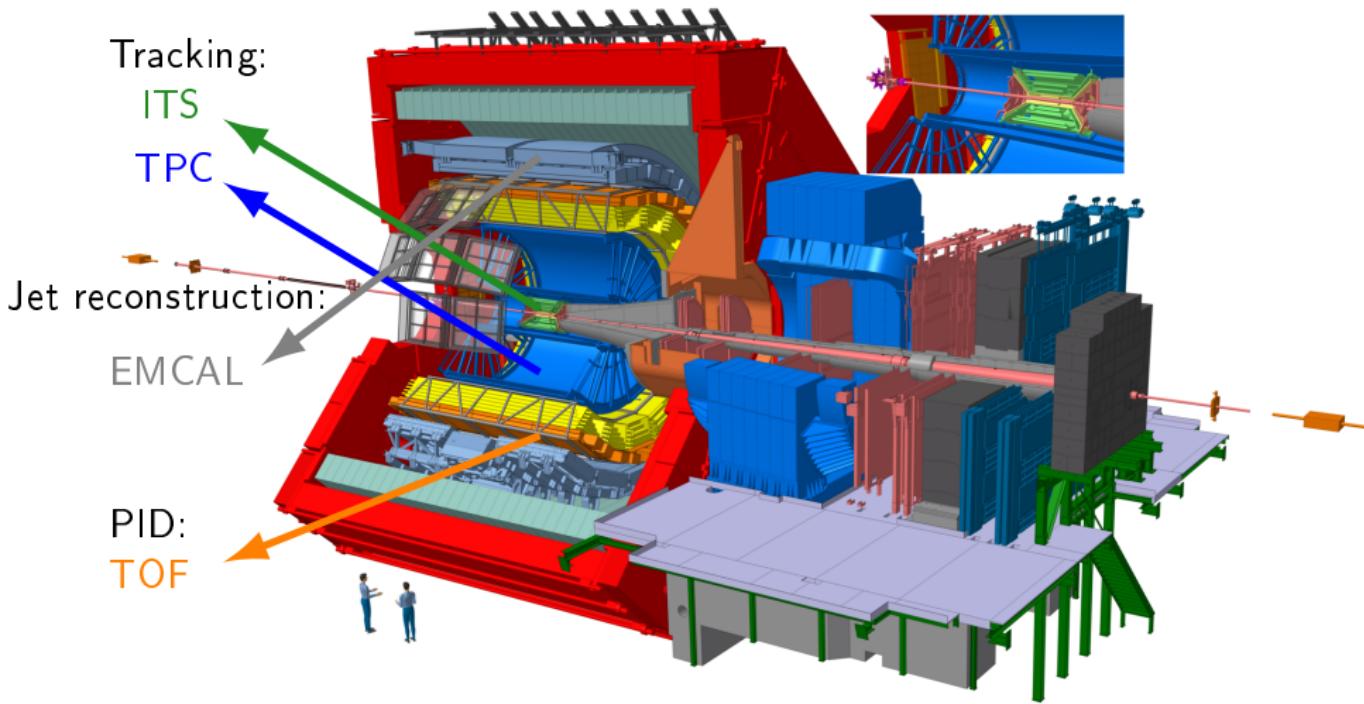
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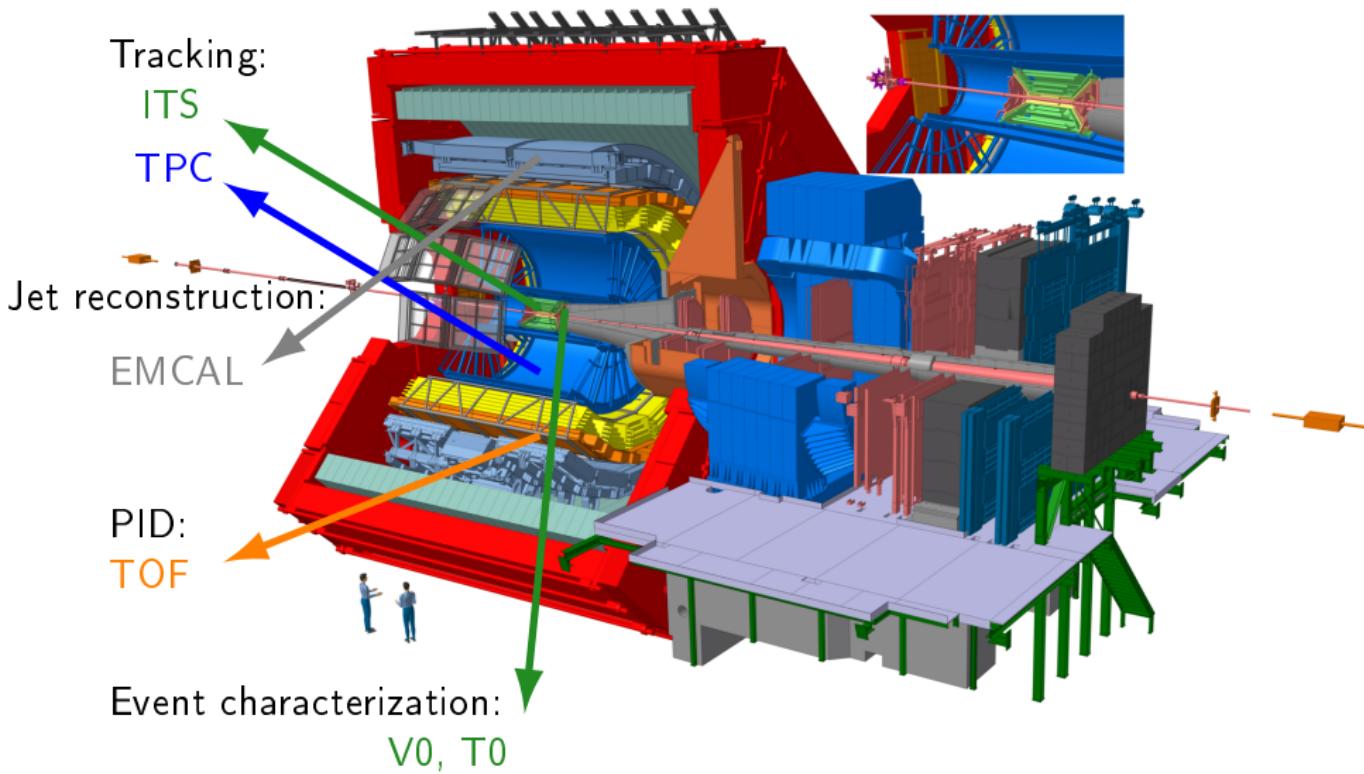
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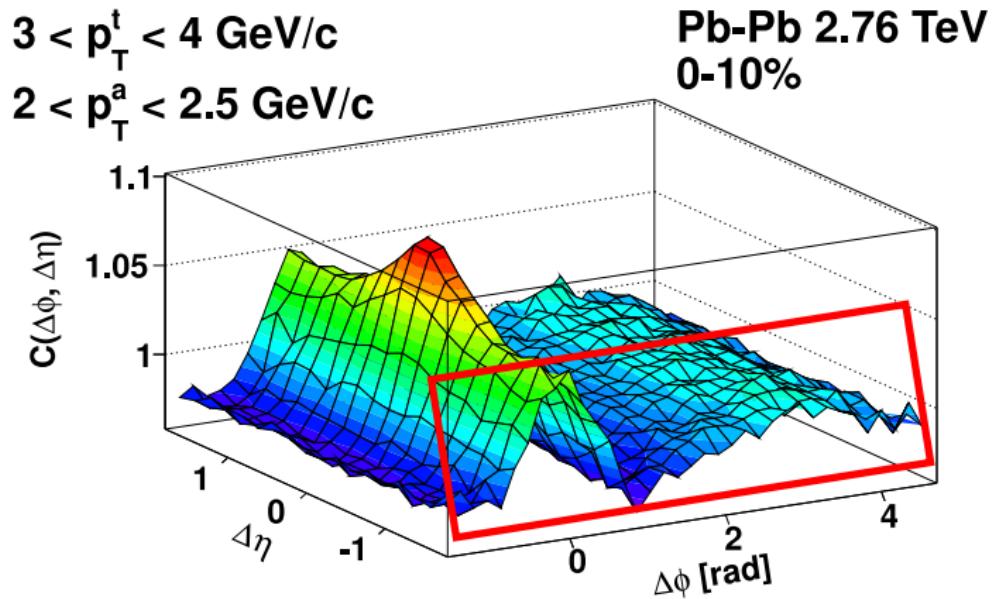
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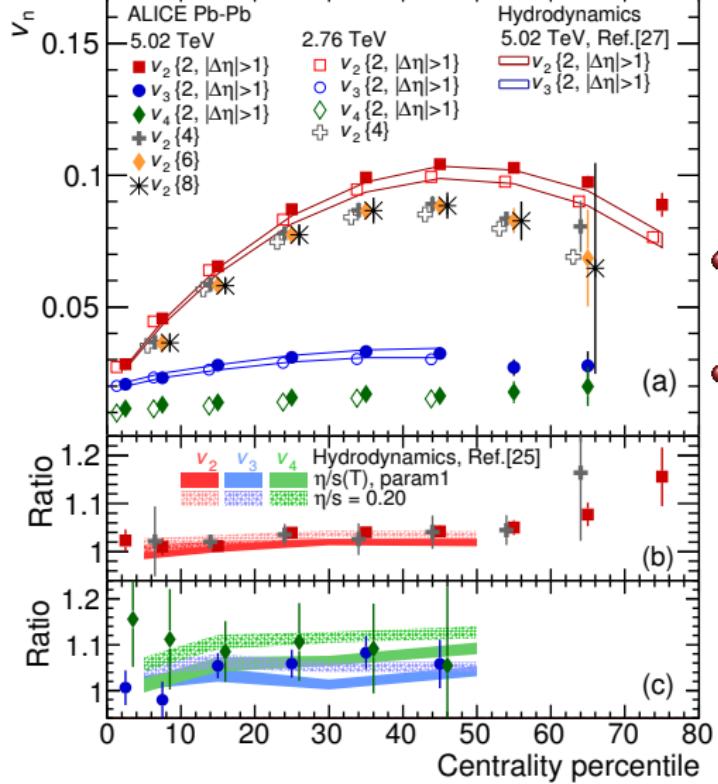


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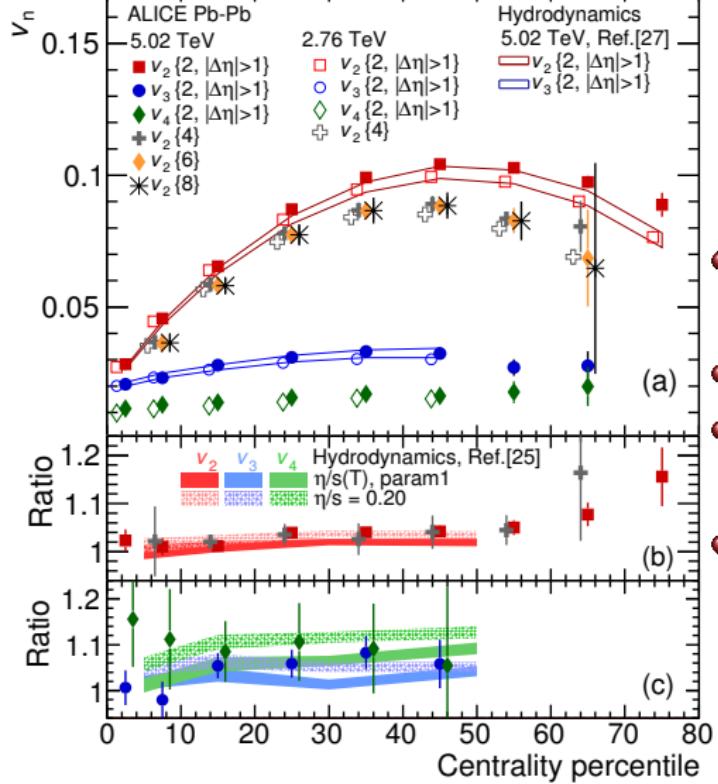


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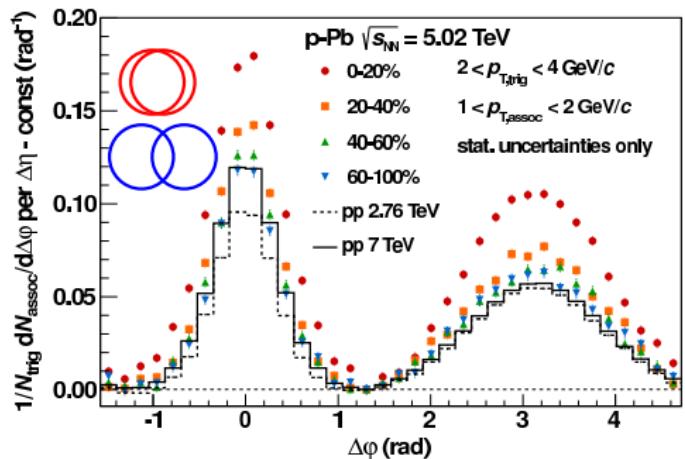


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- Values slightly higher at 5.02 TeV
  - From average  $p_T$  difference
- Hydro models describe data

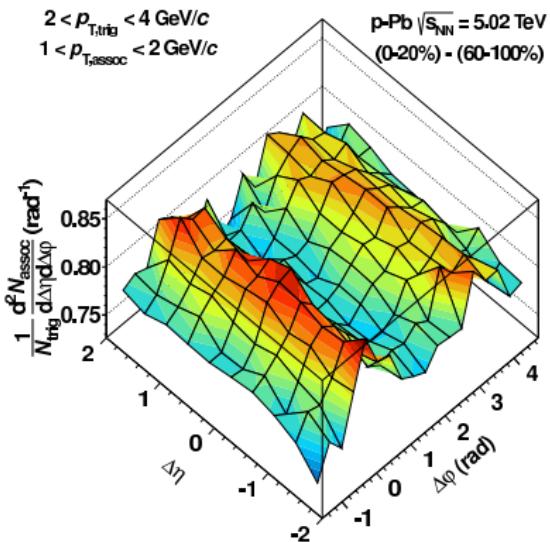
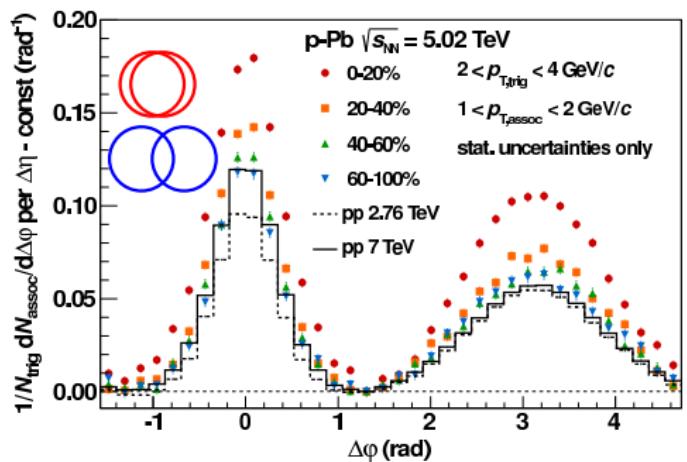
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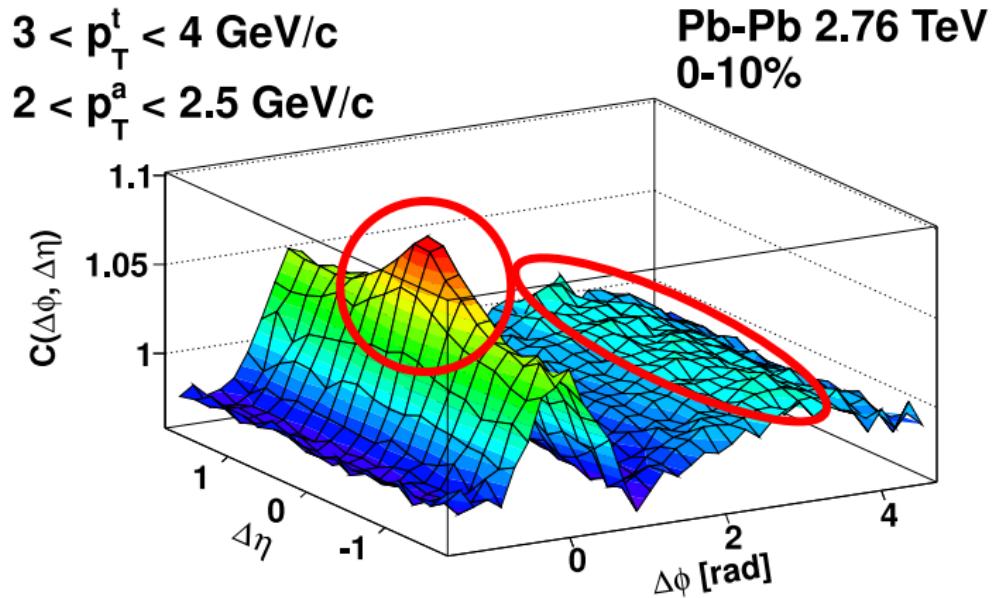
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- (High - low) shows double ridge structure, elongated in  $\Delta\eta$
- Origin?

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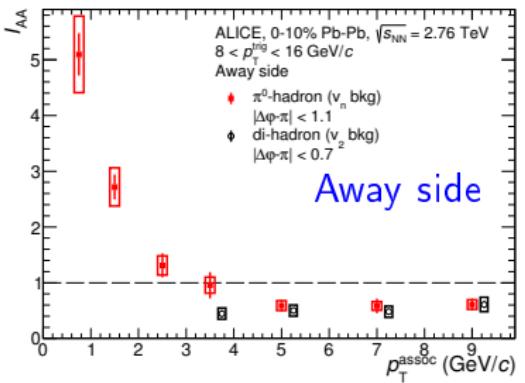
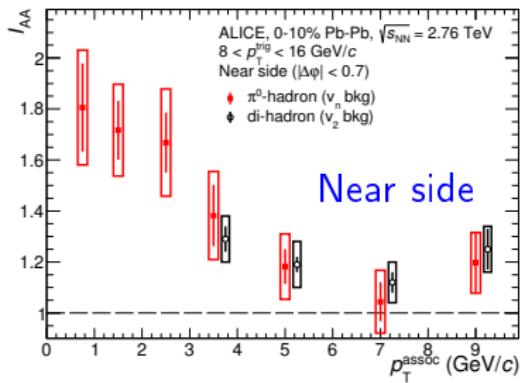
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# Relative yield in Pb–Pb

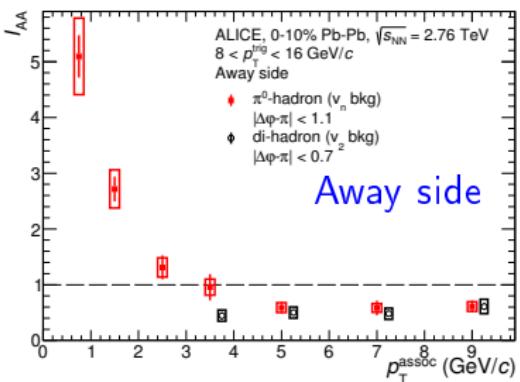
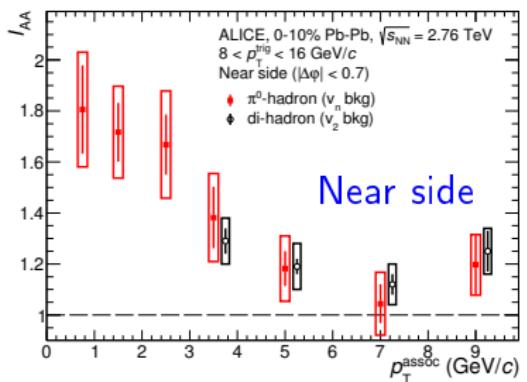


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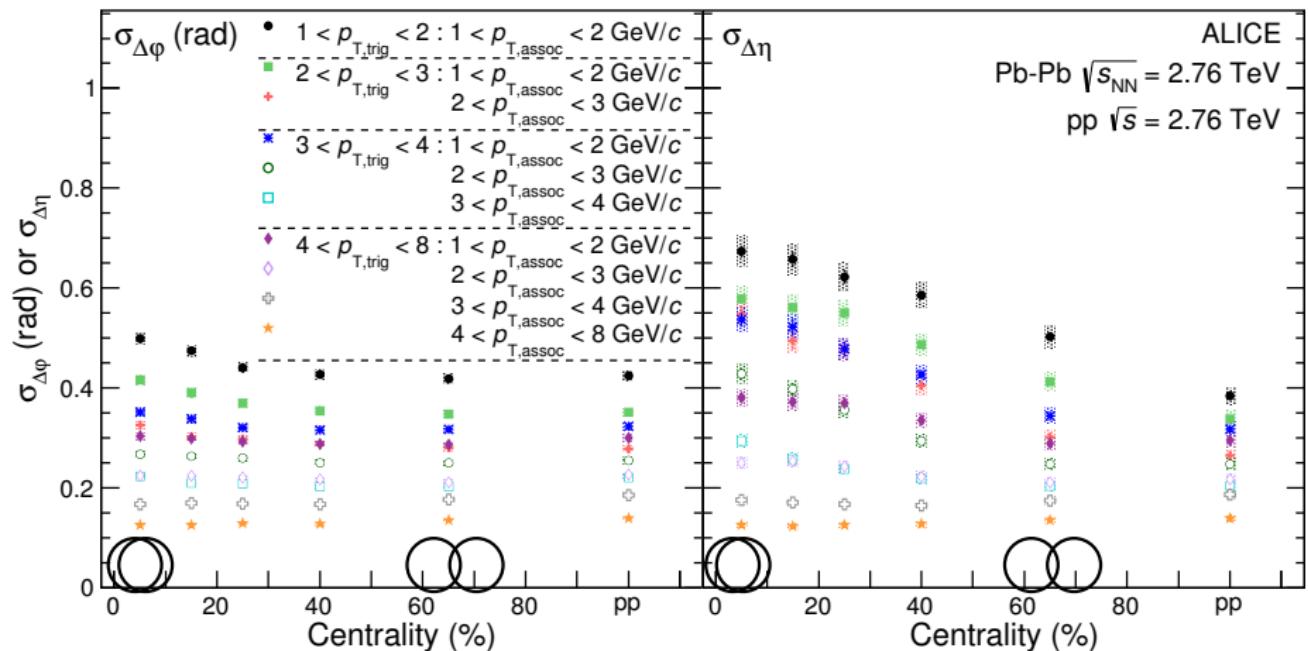


- Enhancement on near side
- Suppression on away side
- $\pi^0$  triggers agree with unidentified hadrons
- Suppression on away side above 4 GeV/c, enhancement below

# Shape of the near-side peak in Pb–Pb

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- Direct characterization of the peak  $\Rightarrow$  fit by generalized Gaussian

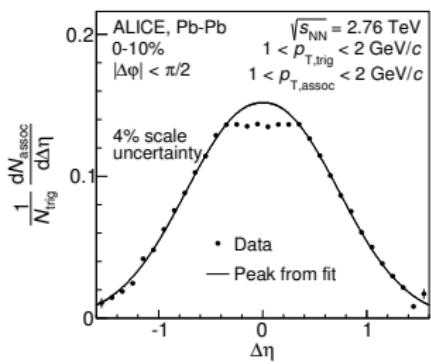
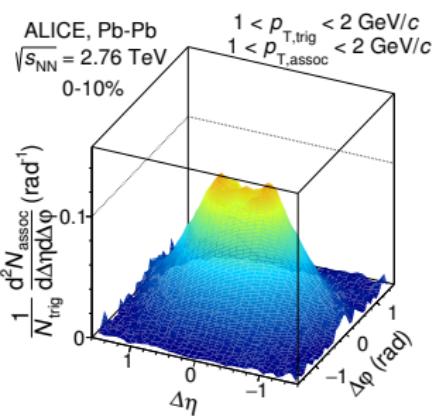


- Asymmetric broadening ( $\sigma_{\Delta\varphi} < \sigma_{\Delta\eta}$ ) towards central collisions

# Depletion

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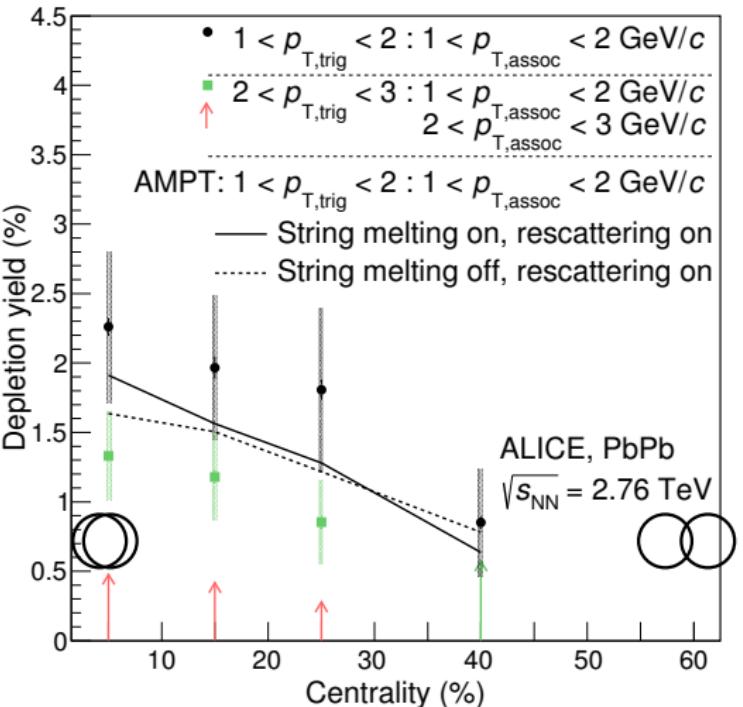
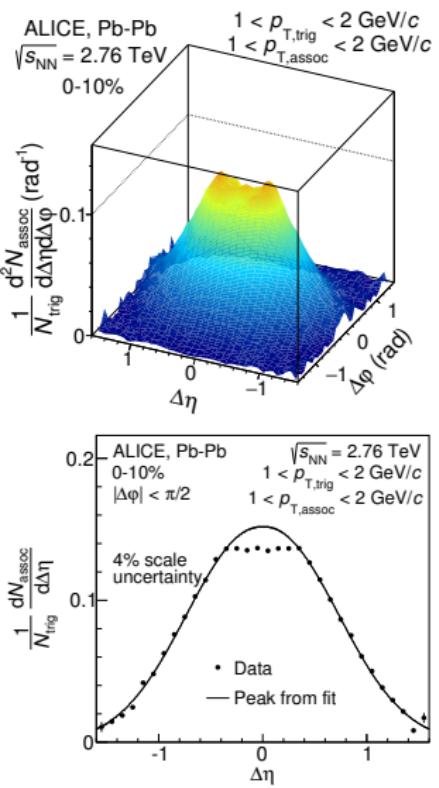
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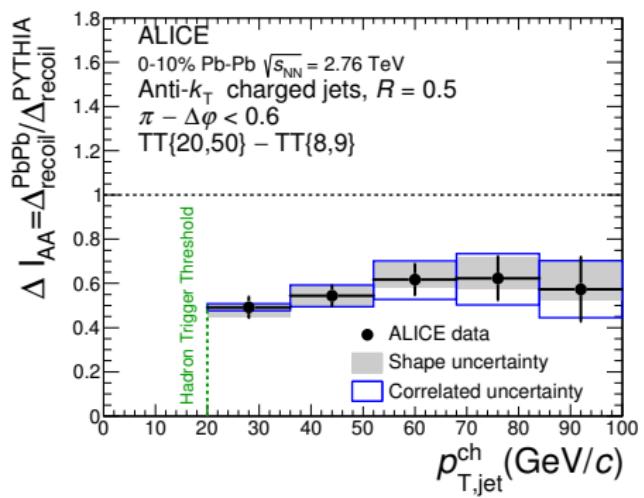
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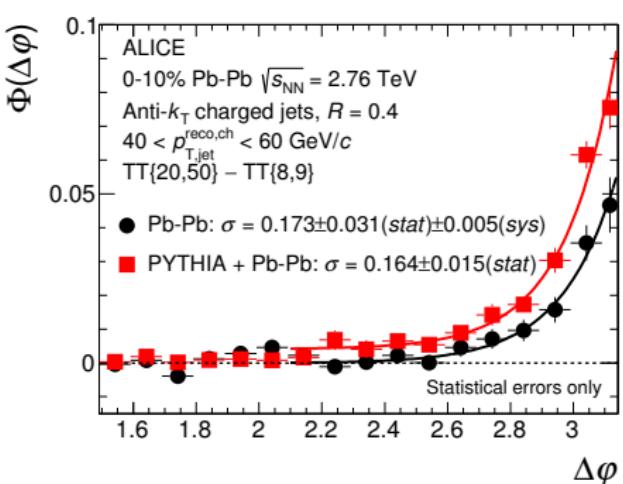
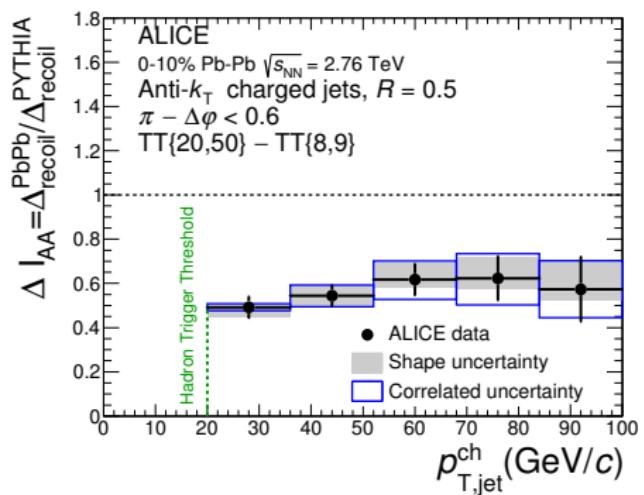
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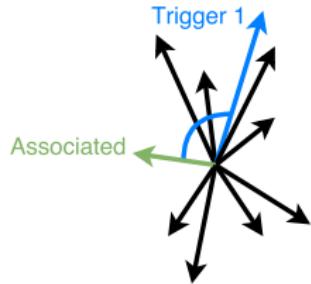


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- No modification of the acoplanarity is observed

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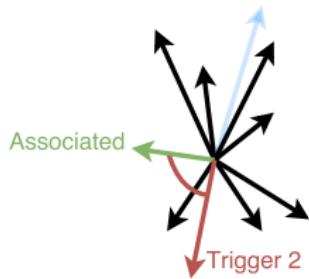
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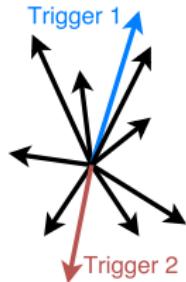


- Trigger 2 and associates  $\Rightarrow$  away-side jet

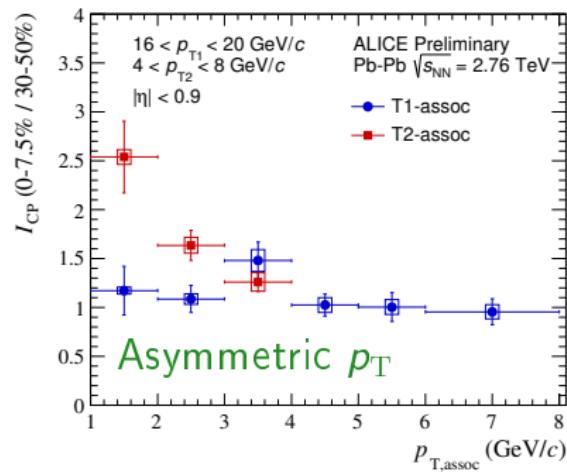
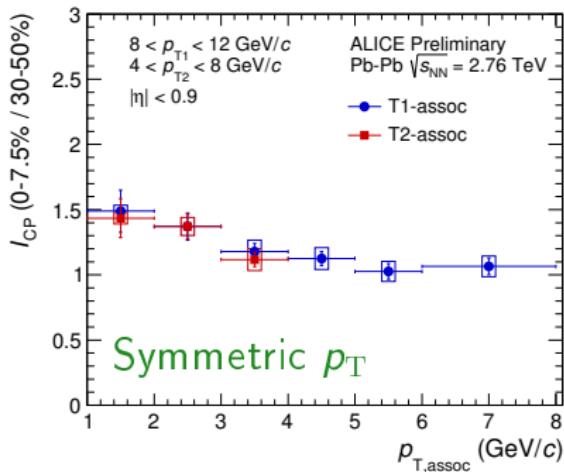
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- $p_T$  of two triggers are close  $\Rightarrow$  no difference
- $p_T$  is asymmetric  $\Rightarrow$  large modification for T2



- **Angular correlations**

- Trigger and associated object
- Study the distribution of  $\Delta\varphi$  and  $\Delta\eta$
- Can be used for soft and hard probes

- **Studying flow**

- Flow in Pb–Pb higher in 5.02 TeV than 2.76 TeV  
⇒ Arising from higher average  $p_T$
- Double ridge in p–Pb

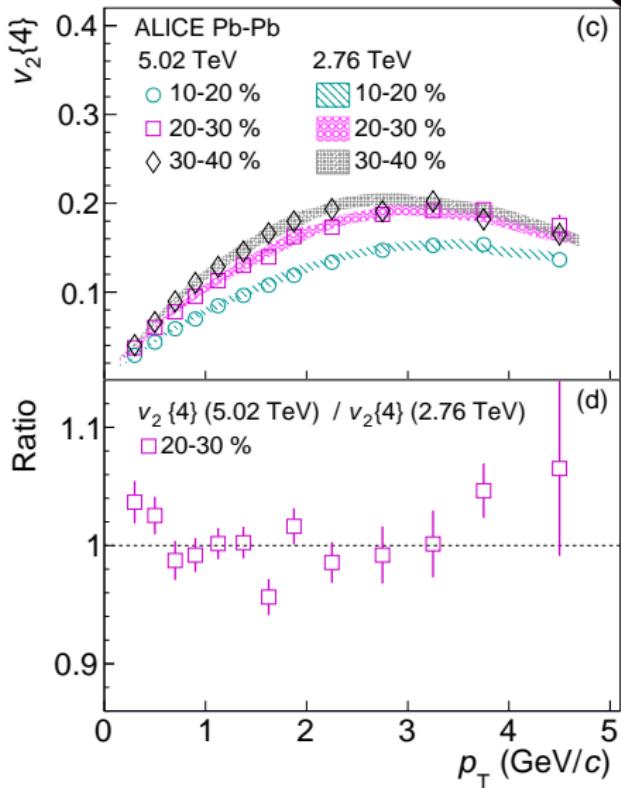
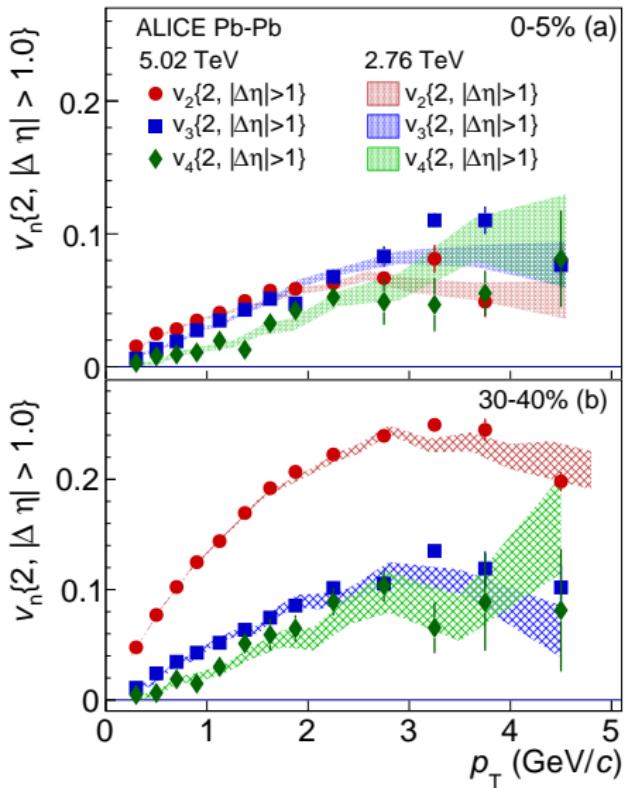
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- Yield at low  $p_T$  enhanced on both near- and away-side
- At higher  $p_T$  suppression on away-side
- Peak broadened and asymmetric at low  $p_T$
- Depletion around  $(\Delta\varphi, \Delta\eta) = (0, 0)$
- Recoil jet yield is suppressed
- Enhancement of yield if  $p_T$  of T1 and T2 asymmetric

Thank you for your attention!

# BACKUP

# Flow vs $p_T$



● No significant difference between 2.76 TeV and 5.02 TeV

# Angular correlations vs femtoscopy



	Femtoscopy	Angular correlations
Physics	HBT, FSI, resonancies freeze out dynamics	Jets, flow, HBT, resonancies
What to correlate	Identified particles	Anything
Correlating in	Momentum	Angles $\Delta\varphi$ and/or $\Delta\eta$
Source function	Well defined, Levy distribution widely used	?
Correlation function	Stretched exponential or Generalized Gaussian widely used	
Limits	$0 < \text{Exponent} \leq 2$	Exponent positive