

# Overview of heavy ion physics at ALICE

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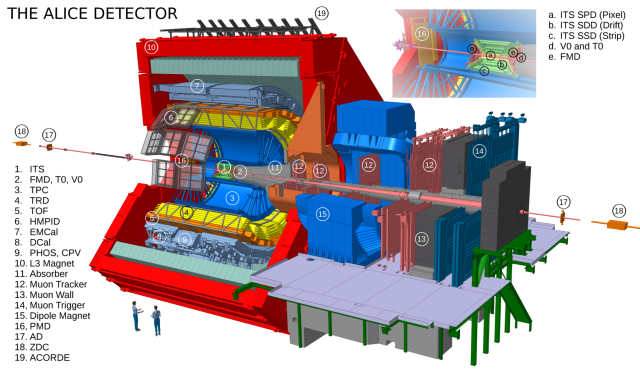
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# ALICE Experiment

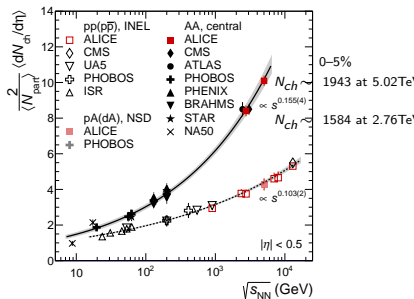
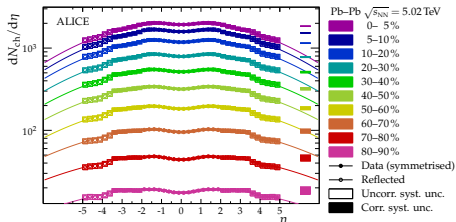
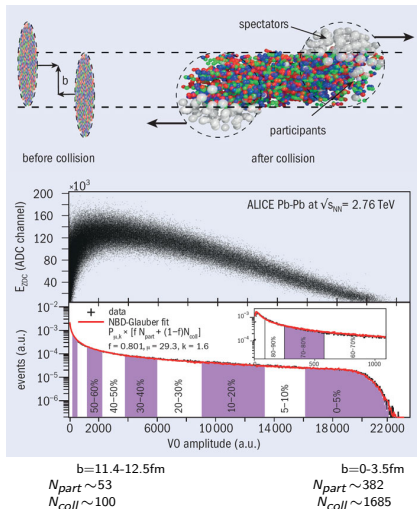
## THE ALICE DETECTOR



Run 1 (2009-2013)		
pp	0.9 TeV	$\sim 200 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$
	2.76 TeV	$\sim 100 \text{nb}^{-1}$
	7.0 TeV	$\sim 1.5 \text{pb}^{-1}$
	8.0 TeV	$\sim 2.5 \text{pb}^{-1}$
p-Pb	5.02 TeV	$\sim 15 \text{nb}^{-1}$
Pb-Pb	2.76 TeV	$\sim 75 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$
Run 2 (2015-2018)		
pp	5.02 TeV	$\sim 1.3 \text{pb}^{-1}$
	13 TeV	$\sim 25 \text{pb}^{-1}$
p-Pb	5.02 TeV	$\sim 3 \text{nb}^{-1}$
	8.16 TeV	$\sim 25 \text{nb}^{-1}$
Xe-Xe	5.44 TeV	$\sim 0.3 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$
Pb-Pb	5.02 TeV	$\sim 1 \text{nb}^{-1}$

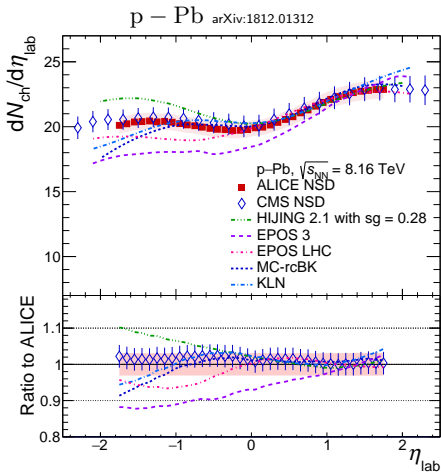
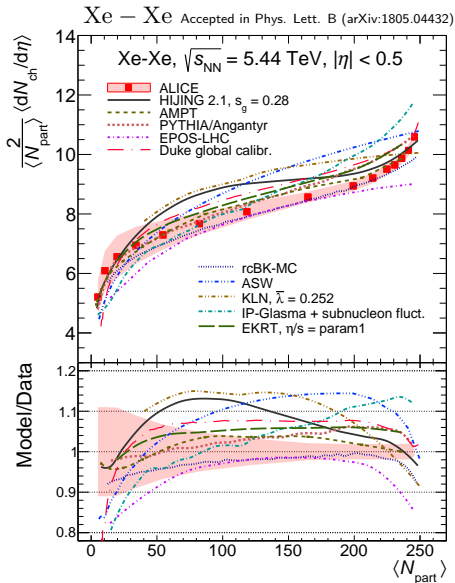
- $26\text{m} \times 16\text{m}$ , 10,000 tons
- Efficient low-momentum tracking, down to  $\sim 100 \text{MeV}/c$
- Particle identification (practically all known techniques)
- Excellent vertexing capability, Centrality resolution  $\sim 1\%$ .
- Different systems and collision energies permit us to study the differences and similarities in particle production processes.

# Heavy-ion Collisions, Centrality and Particle productions



ALICE, Phys. Rev. Lett. 116 (2016) 222302

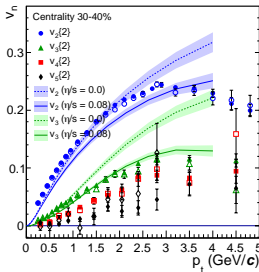
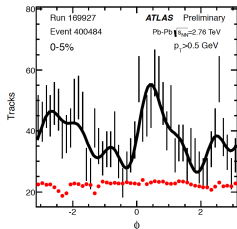
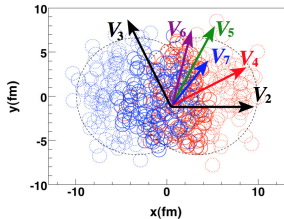
# Multiplicity measurements



All models describe data within  $\pm 15\%$



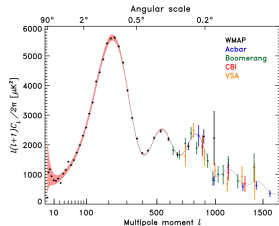
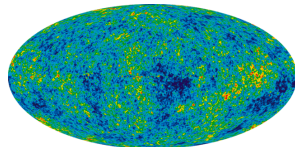
# Higher Flow Harmonics Seen by All Experiments



$$P(\varphi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} V_n e^{-in\varphi}$$

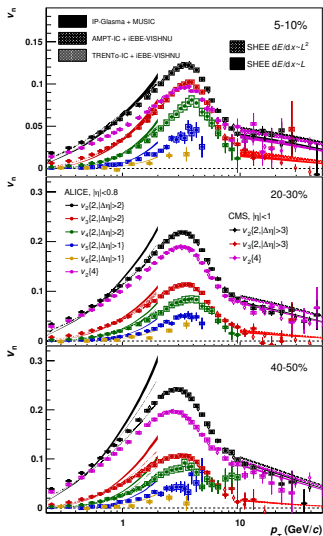
$$V_n \equiv v_n \{ \psi_n \} e^{in(\psi_n - \phi)}$$

$$v_n \equiv v_n \{ \psi_n \} = \sqrt{\langle |V_n|^2 \rangle}$$



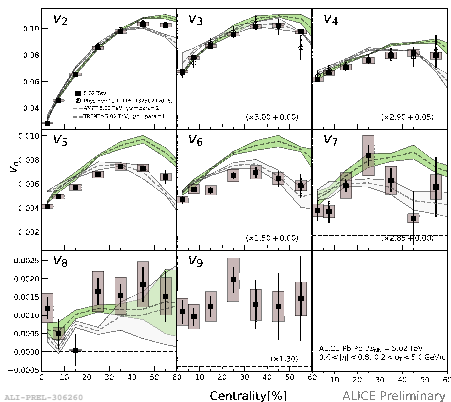
- Like measurements of early universe sound harmonics
- Sensitive to initial state geometry and properties of the expanding QGP (viscosity( $\eta/s$ ), equation of state)

# $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5\text{TeV}$ Pb-Pb new flow results

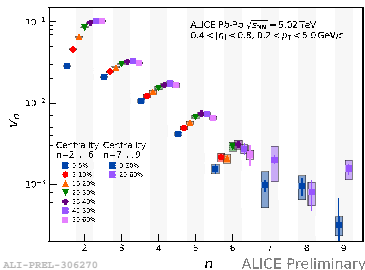


- The  $p_T$  dependence of  $v_n$  and its evolution with respect to centrality and  $n$  are investigated systematically.
- **most precise PID flow paper published<sup>a</sup>.**
  - $v_n$  ( $n=2, 3$  and  $4$ )
  - $\pi^\pm, K^\pm, p + \bar{p}, \Lambda + \bar{\Lambda}, K_S^0$ , and the  $\phi$ .
  - 0-70% including ultra-central (0-1%) collisions.

<sup>a</sup>JHEP 1809 (2018) 006(arXiv:1805.04390)

Higher order  $v_n$ 

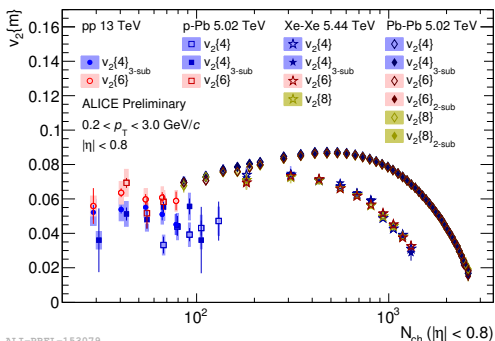
- Shown in Hot Quarks 2018 ([talk](#))
- better constraints on hydrodynamic models, i.e.  $\eta/s(T)$  and initial conditions.



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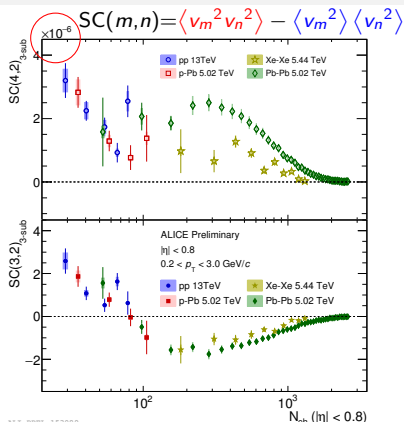
- Up to  $n=8$ , nonlinear hydrodynamic response ( $n > 3$ ) and searches for acoustic peak (E. Shuryak (arXiv:1710.03776), P. Sorensen et al (arXiv:1008.3381)).
- $v_n (n > 3)$  are quantified as nonlinear flow mode, more with Jasper Parkkila's Talk (Wed Morning).

## $v_n$ and flow correlations in small and large systems



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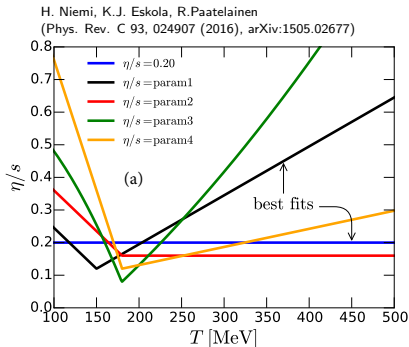
- $n=2, 3$  and  $4$  :  $m$  to 8.
- Higher harmonics, mostly due to fluctuations in the initial geometry, show weak multiplicity dependence.
- The origin of the flow in small system, initial conditions, collectivity or non-flow (minimized) : You Zhou's talk this afternoon.



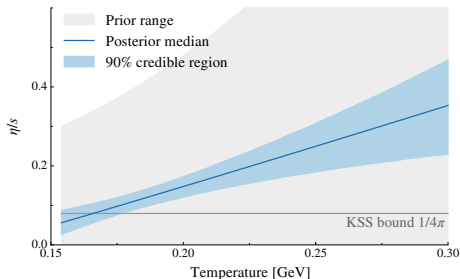
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- Extensive studies on Symmetric cumulant up to  $n=5$ .
  - Phys. Rev. Lett. 117, 182301 (2016)(arXiv:1604.07663)
  - Phys. Rev. C 97 (2018) 024906(arXiv:1709.01127)
- Measured also in small systems.

## Implications of the flow and spectra measurements



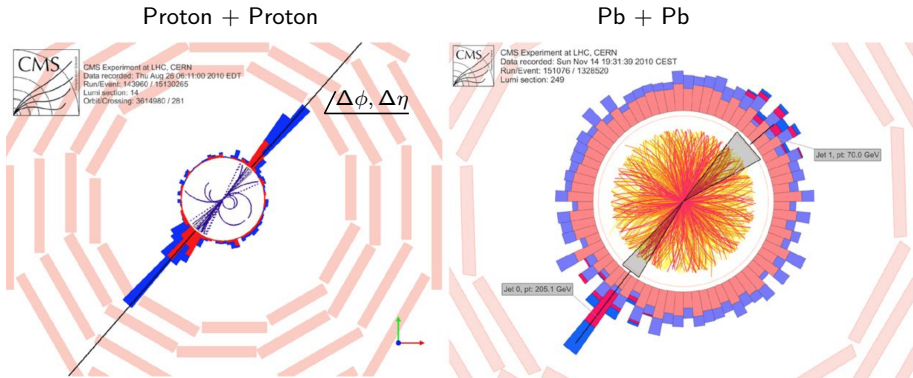
Steffen A. Bass et. al, Global Bayesian Analysis  
(Nucl.Phys. A967 (2017) 67-73 , arXiv:1704.07671)



- ALICE data on multiplicity, spectra and flow are key inputs to estimate the properties of the QGP, i.e Global Bayesian Analysis and other theory groups.
- Best fit seems to indicate  $\eta/s \approx 0.12$  around  $T_c \approx 150$  MeV, very close to  $1/4\pi (\approx 0.08)$  from string theory <sup>1</sup>(AdS/CFT correspondence).
- $\eta/s(T)$  can be constrained further, new observables(SC and flow modes) with  $v_n$  : separate the effects of  $\eta/s(T)$  from the initial conditions.

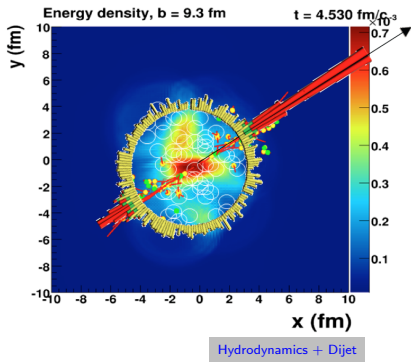
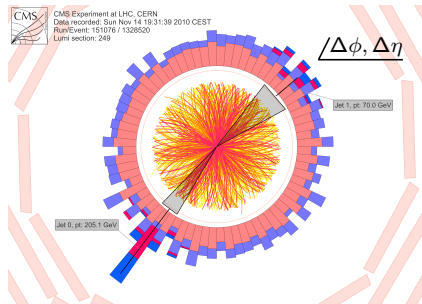
<sup>1</sup>D. T. Son et. al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 94 (2005) 111601

# Di-Jet, Jet quenching can be seen visually



- We can see a clear away side jet suppression for this special event (Jet Quenching in QGP).

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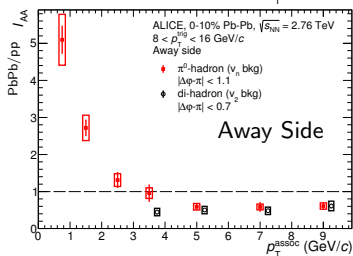
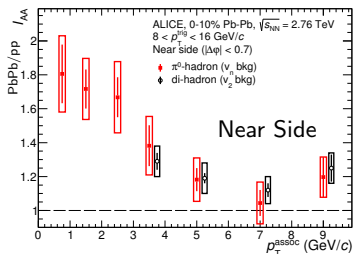


- It had been studied by the measurements by
  - Inclusive spectra of single particle or jet,  $R_{AA}$ .
  - Jet fragmentation of jet  $\rightarrow$  correlation function from particle pairs or jet shape in  $\eta$  and  $\phi$  spaces,  $I_{AA}$  or PbPb/pp.

$$R_{AA} = \frac{dN^{AA}/dp_T d\eta}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle dN^{PP}/dp_T d\eta} \quad (1)$$

# Medium induced gluon radiation

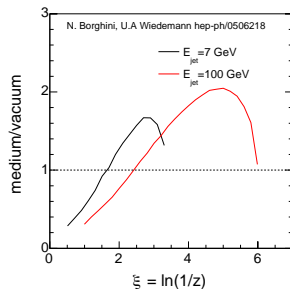
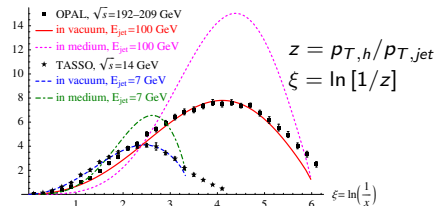
ALICE, PLB 763 (2016) 238-250



- At low  $p_T$ , both for Near and Away side  $\approx \times 2-5 \rightarrow$  **Enhancement**
- At high  $p_T$ , moderate **Enhancement** for Near side and large **Suppression** for Away side.

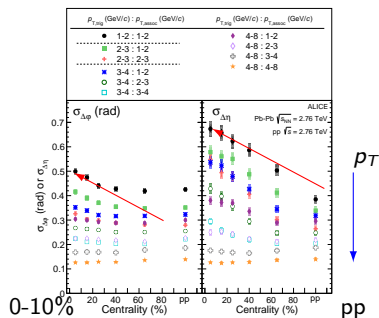
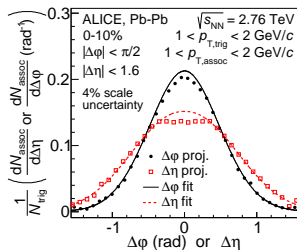
 $\frac{dN^h}{d\xi}(\xi, \tau)$ 

N. Borghini, U.A Wiedemann hep-ph/0506218

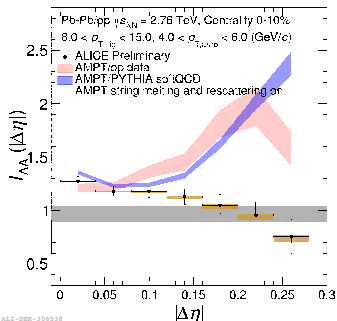




# Broadening and Narrowing of jets



ALICE, Phys.Rev.Lett. 119 (2017) 102301

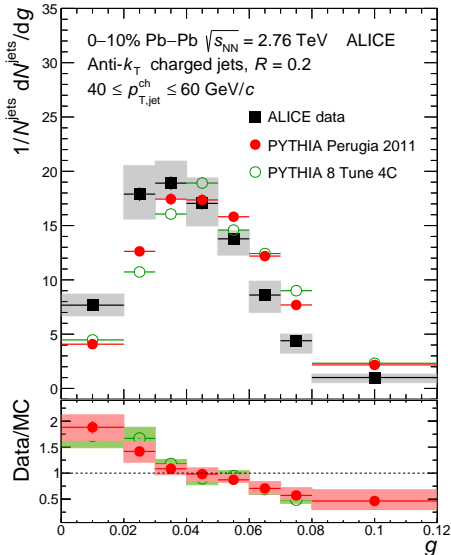


- Broadening and narrowing in different kinematic regions.
- The origins are still being debated
  - low  $p_T$ , jet medium interaction, effect of radial flow?
  - Intermediate  $p_T$ , effective quark/gluon contributions?
  - Multi-scale problem during jet shower in the medium <sup>a</sup>.

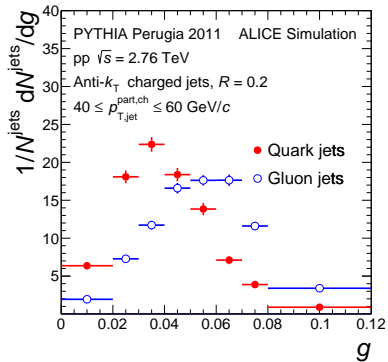
<sup>a</sup><http://jetscape.wayne.edu>

# Jet Shape modifications in Pb-Pb

ALICE, JHEP 10 (2018) 139, arXiv:1807.06854



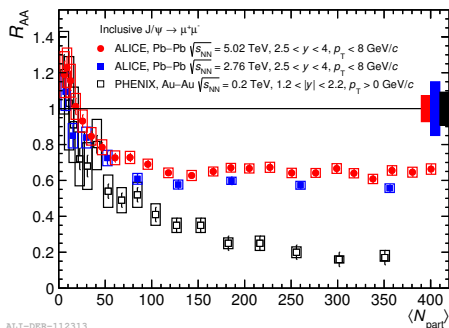
$$g = \sum_{i \in jet} \frac{p_{T,i}}{p_{T,jet}} \Delta R_{jet,i}, \quad (2)$$



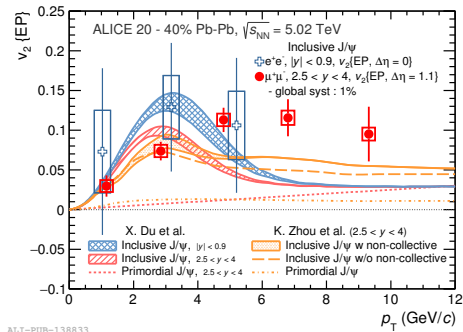
- The jet core is more collimated and fragments harder than in pp collisions
- More quark-like jet

## $J/\psi$ Suppression and Regeneration

Bound states of  $c\bar{c}$  and  $b\bar{b}$  can be Debye color screened in the QGP as one increases the temperature (melting)



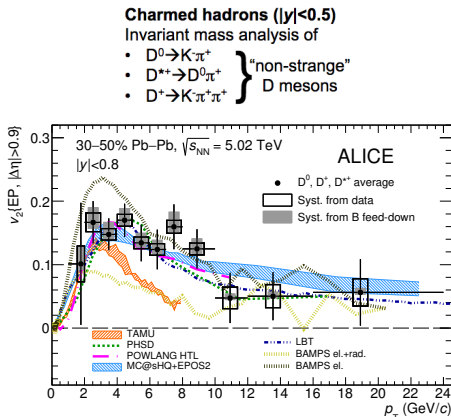
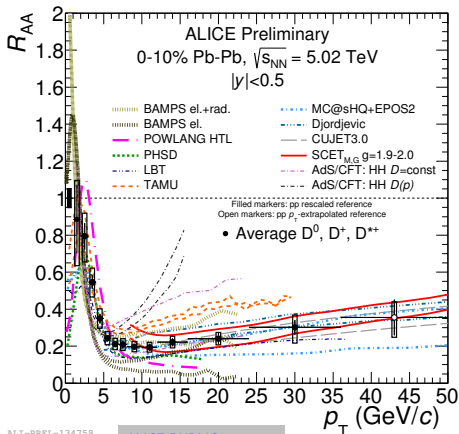
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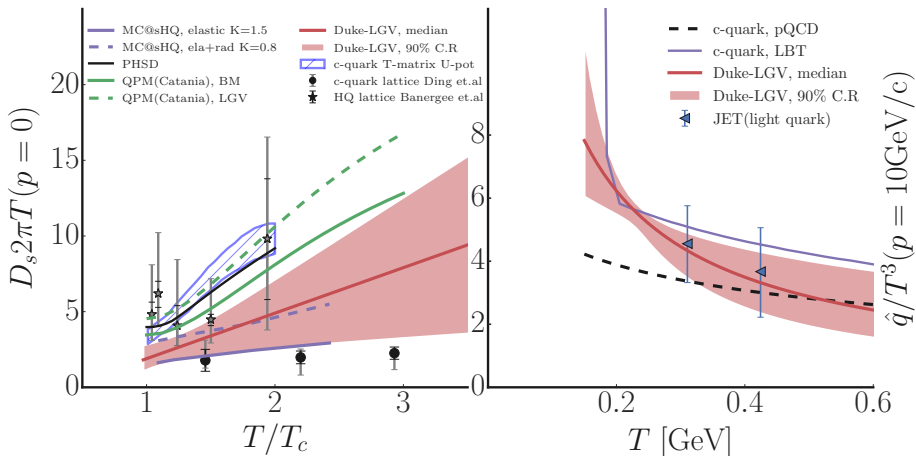
- Regeneration is more dominant in LHC energies.
- Regeneration gives rise a significant primordial  $J/\psi$  give minimal effect (high  $p_T$  not explained by models).
- -Precision run 2 data allow us to measure  $v_3$  and  $v_2$  in fine centrality bins, submitted to JHEP, arXiv:1811.12727.
- - $J/\psi$   $v_2$  in p-Pb, ALICE, Phys. Lett. B 780 (2018) 7-20 arXiv:1709.06807.

# Simultaneous fit of $R_{AA}$ and $v_2$ for D-mesons : Constraining models



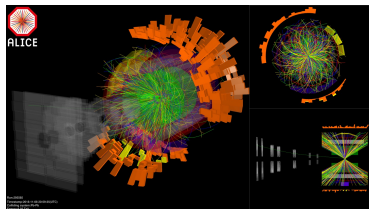
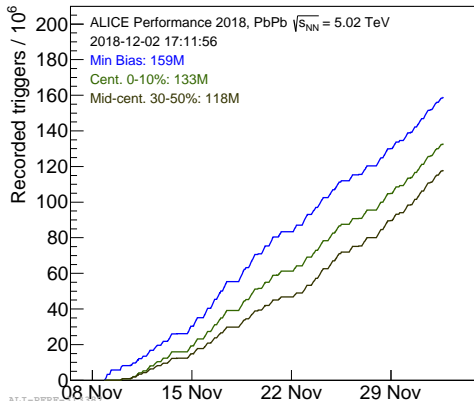
- Strong suppression of high  $p_T$  D-meson production in central Pb-Pb collisions.
- Similar for 2.76 TeV and 5 TeV.
- Challenging models with simultaneous fit of  $R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$ .
- Run1 2.76 TeV data were used for a Bayesian model-to-data analysis.

## Global analysis and Uncertainty in Theory, utilizing heavy flavor data



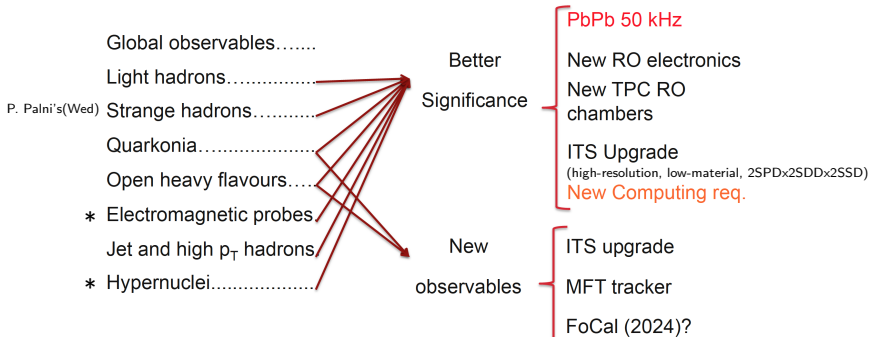
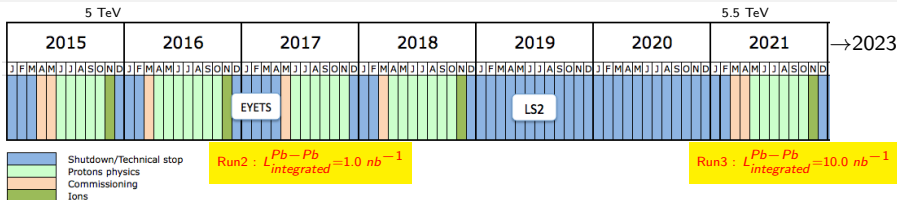
M. Nahrgang, S. A. Bass et. al., Phys. Rev. C 97, 014907 (2018)(arXiv:1710.00807)

## ALICE Run2 ended with Pb-Pb last month



- Smooth operation at max. int. rate of 8 kHz.
- Run-2 goal was achieved.
- 2018 vs 2015 : 9x larger sample of central collisions.
- pp 13 TeV:  $10.4 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  in 2018 ( $36 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  in total during Run 2)

# ALICE Upgrade for Run3 and Beyond



upgrade of the forward trigger detectors(FIT) and ZDC

- x10 with respect to Run 2, but actually x100 in minimum bias Pb-Pb collisions.

# Summary

- Precision measurements on soft observables
  - Higher precision data on  $\langle dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta \rangle$ , spectra and  $v_n$  become “Run”-ly routine.
  - The new observables like Symmetric Cumulants and the nonlinear mode of higher harmonic flows have different sensitivities to the initial conditions and the system properties. → Strong constraint on the  $\eta/s(T)$
- Jet Quenching
  - Medium induced gluon radiation and quark/gluon suppression can be accessed via experimental data.
  - At low  $p_T$ , Broadening of jet is clearly observed.
  - Precision data to lower momentum jet and hadrons and to larger angles become available to explore the physics of jet quenching.
  - Improved precision on heavy flavor measurements helps to improve the modeling of heavy flavor dynamics.
- ALICE is being prepared for the future.
  - Pb-Pb 2018 run goals were achieved.
  - Upgrade will be prepared during Long Shutdown 2 to fully exploit the higher rate and to improve the physics performance.
    - x 3 more precise tracking
    - x 100 statistics increase for Run3 and Run4



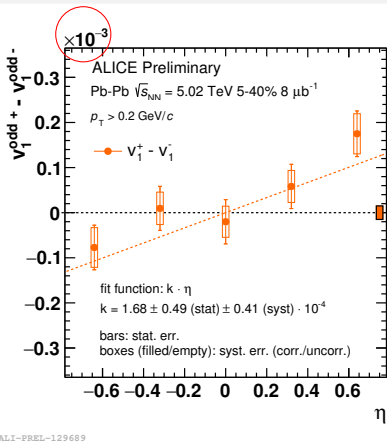
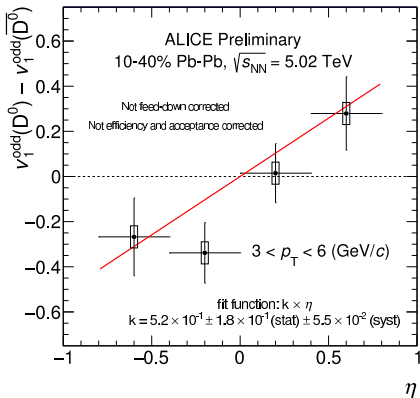
# Thank You!

## PbPb Papers in 2018, not covered in this talk

Direct photon elliptic flow in Pb-Pb collisions at 2.76 TeV	Accepted by: PLB	arXiv:1805.044
Inclusive $J/\psi$ production in Xe-Xe collisions	Phys. Lett. B 785 (2018) 419-428	arXiv:1805.043
Flow in Xe-Xe collisions	Phys.Lett. B784 (2018) 82-95	arXiv:1805.018
CME searches via ESE	Phys. Lett. B 777 (2018) 151-162	arXiv:1709.047
$p_T$ spectra and nuclear modification factors of charged particles in Xe-Xe collisions	Phys. Lett. B 788 (2019) 166-179	arXiv:1805.043
$p_T$ spectra and nuclear modification factors of charged particles in pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions	JHEP 1811 (2018) 013	arXiv:1802.091
Suppression of $\Lambda(1520)$ resonance production in central Pb-Pb collisions a	submitted to PRL	arXiv:1805.043
Azimuthally-differential pion femtoscopy relative to $\psi_3$ in Pb-Pb at 2.76 TeV	Phys.Lett. B785 (2018) 320-331	arXiv:1803.105
Neutral pion and $\eta$ meson production in PbPb at 2.76 TeV	Phys. Rev. C 98, 044901 (2018)	arXiv:1803.054

The full list of paper status can be found [here](#).

# Heavy flavor and charged particle $v_1$



- Charge dependent directed flow is sensitive to the EM fields in the early stages of the collision.
- First measurement on D meson, hint of positive slope with a significance of  $2.7\sigma$  (HP2018, talk).
- Similar trend observed for charged particles, but different magnitude.
- Large effect expected for heavy flavor due to the shorter formation time  $\approx$  the time scale when B is maximum (K. Das et. al, Phys.Lett. B768 (2017) 260-264)

## $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$ study at ALICE

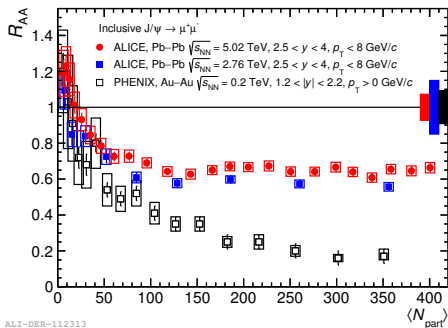
- System-size dependent study  
proton (A=1) — p-Pb ——— Xe (A=129) ——— Pb (A=208)
- Published multiplicity papers for inclusive charged particles

Type	$\sqrt{s}, \sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (TeV)	paper
pp	0.9, 2.76, 7 and 8	Eur. Phys. J. C 77 (2017) 33
pp	13	Phys. Lett. B 753 (2016) 319-329
p-Pb	5.02	Phys. Rev. Lett. 110 (2013) 032301
p-Pb	8.16	arXiv:1812.01312 (Centrality with ZDC)
Pb-Pb	2.76	Phys. Rev. Lett. 106, 032301 (2011)
Pb-Pb	5.02	Phys. Rev. Lett. 116 (2016) 222302
Xe-Xe	5.44	Accepted in Phys. Lett. B (arXiv:1805.04432)

Prabhakar Palni's Talk on charged particles and Strangeness (Wed Morning)

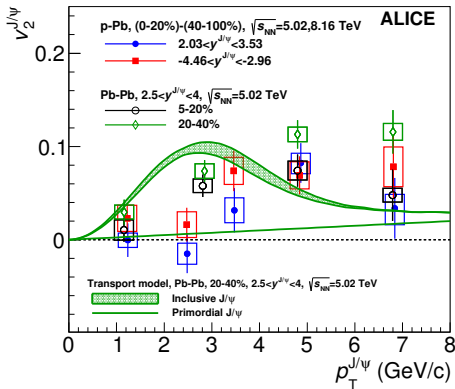
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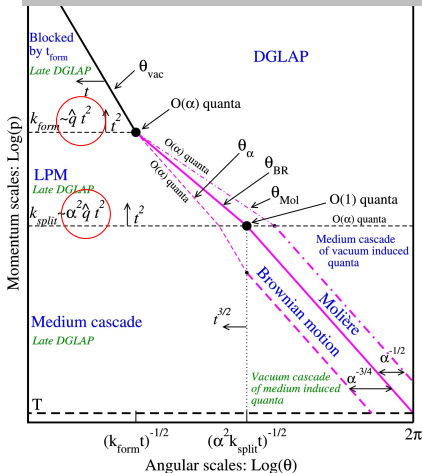
- Huge improvement on the measurements in LHC.
- Regeneration is more dominant in LHC energies.
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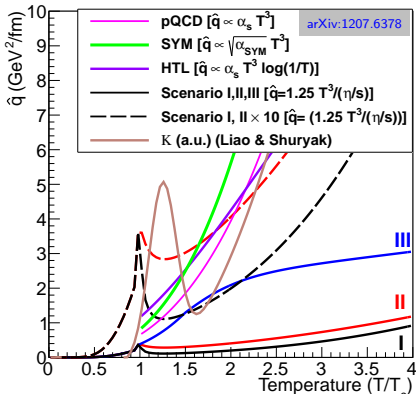
# Data permit a model independent, quantitative assessment?

A. Kurkela, U. A. Wiedemann, Phys.Lett. B740 (2015) 172-178



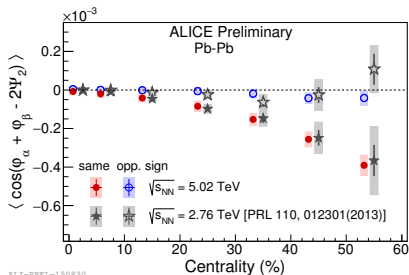
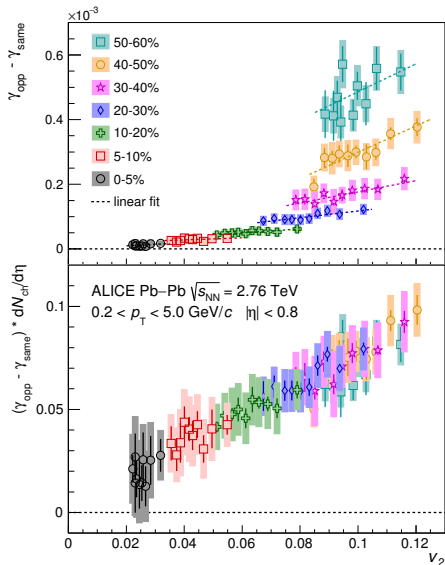
- constituents of medium accessible via large angle scattering

$$\frac{\eta}{s} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \approx \\ \gg \end{array} \right\} 1.25 \frac{T^3}{\hat{q}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for weak coupling,} \\ \text{for strong coupling.} \end{array} \right.$$



- How do  $T$  or scale dependent features translate to final state ?
- Medium influence becomes significant as virtuality of parton shower and medium become comparable.
- An unambiguous determination of both sides of [the equation] from experimental data ? (Phys. Rev. Lett., 99:192301, 2007)

# Extensive CME searches



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- Estimated CME fraction based on linear dependence of backgrounds to elliptic flow, the upper limit 16-33%, at 95% confidence level.
- 5TeV results in QM18.
- CME analyses in various collisions system XeXe, 5TeV PbPb and pPb are ongoing.