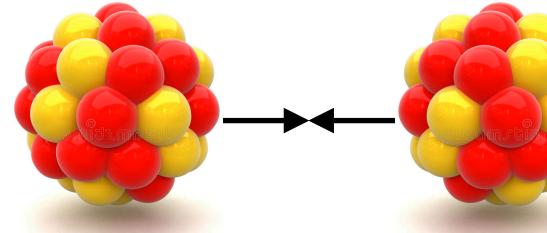


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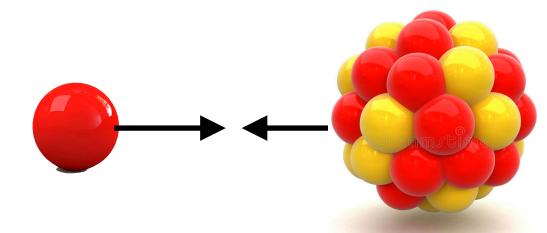
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On behalf of the ALICE Collaboration
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New publications:



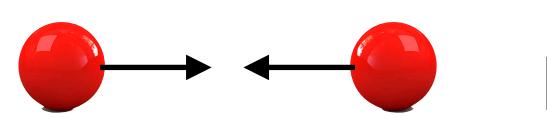
Pb-Pb collisions

- Global polarization of Λ and $\bar{\Lambda}$ hyperons in Pb-Pb collisions at the LHC, submitted to PRC, [arXiv:1909.01281](#)
- (anti-)hypertriton lifetime measurement in Pb-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV via two-body decay, accepted by PLB [arXiv:1907.06906](#)
- Measurement of $\Upsilon(1S)$ elliptic flow at forward rapidity in Pb-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV, submitted to PRL, [arXiv:1907.03169](#)
- Differential study of inclusive J/ψ production at forward rapidity in Pb-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV, submitted to JHEP, [arXiv:1909.03158](#)



p-Pb collisions

- Measurement of prompt D^0 , D^+ , D^{*+} , and D_s^+ production in p-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV, submitted to JHEP, [arXiv:1906.03425](#)
- Multiplicity dependence of light (anti-)nuclei production in p-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV, submitted to PLB, [arXiv:1906.03136](#)
- Measurement of $\Lambda(1520)$ production in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and p-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV, submitted to EPJC, [arXiv:1909.00486](#)



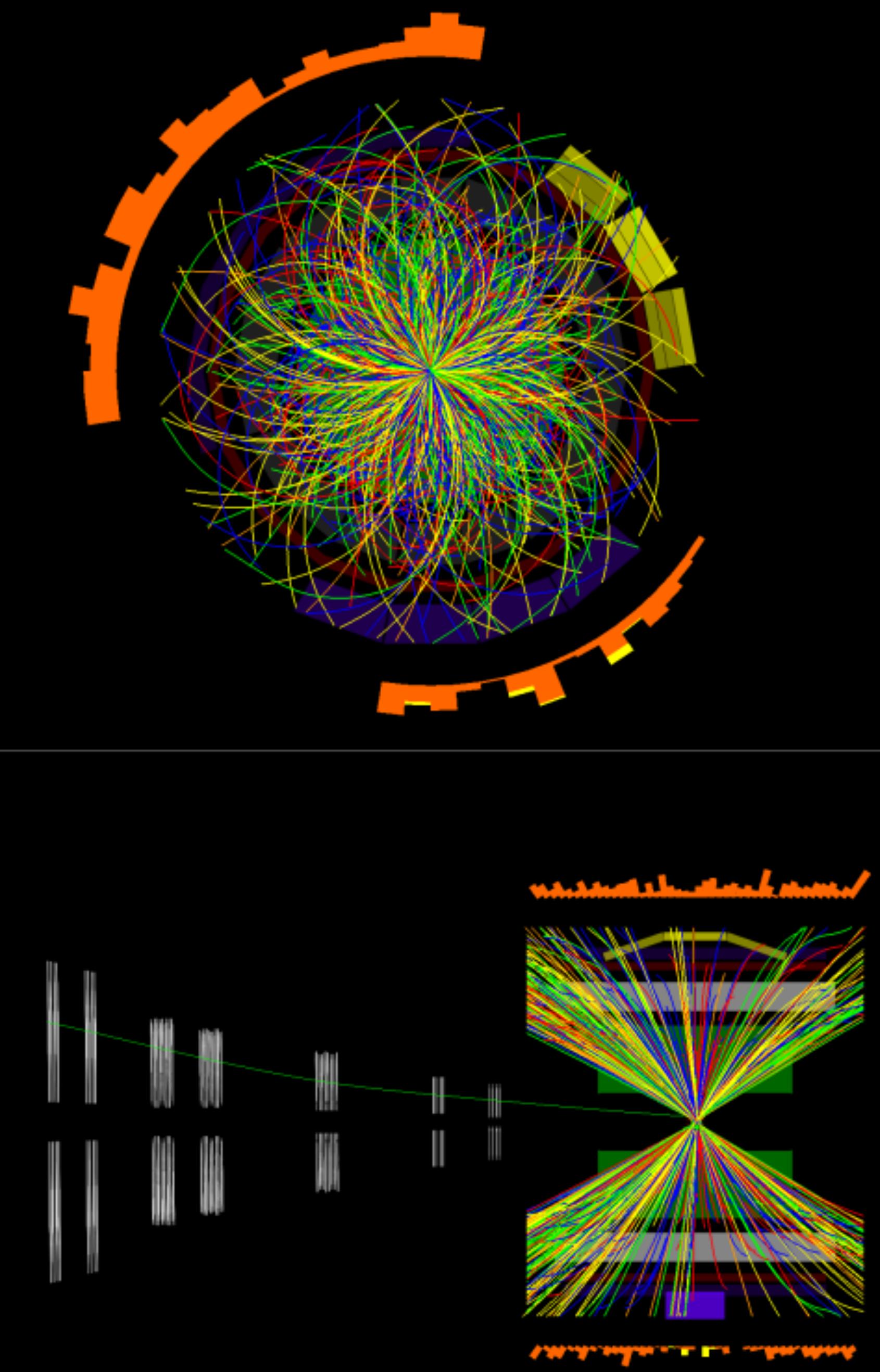
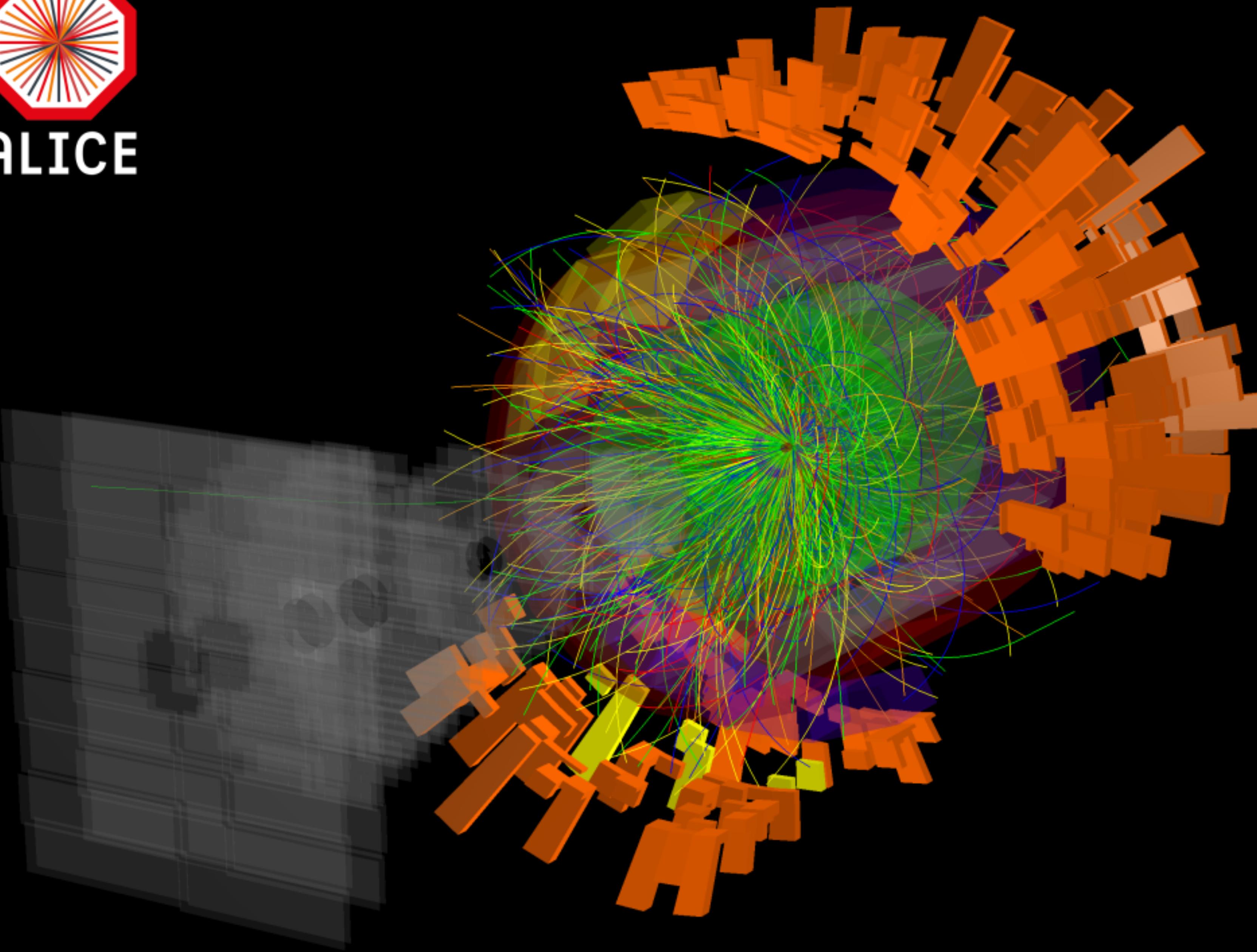
pp collisions

- Multiplicity dependence of (multi-)strange hadron production in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, submitted to EPJC, [arXiv:1908.01861](#)

+ set of new preliminary results presented in the summer conferences



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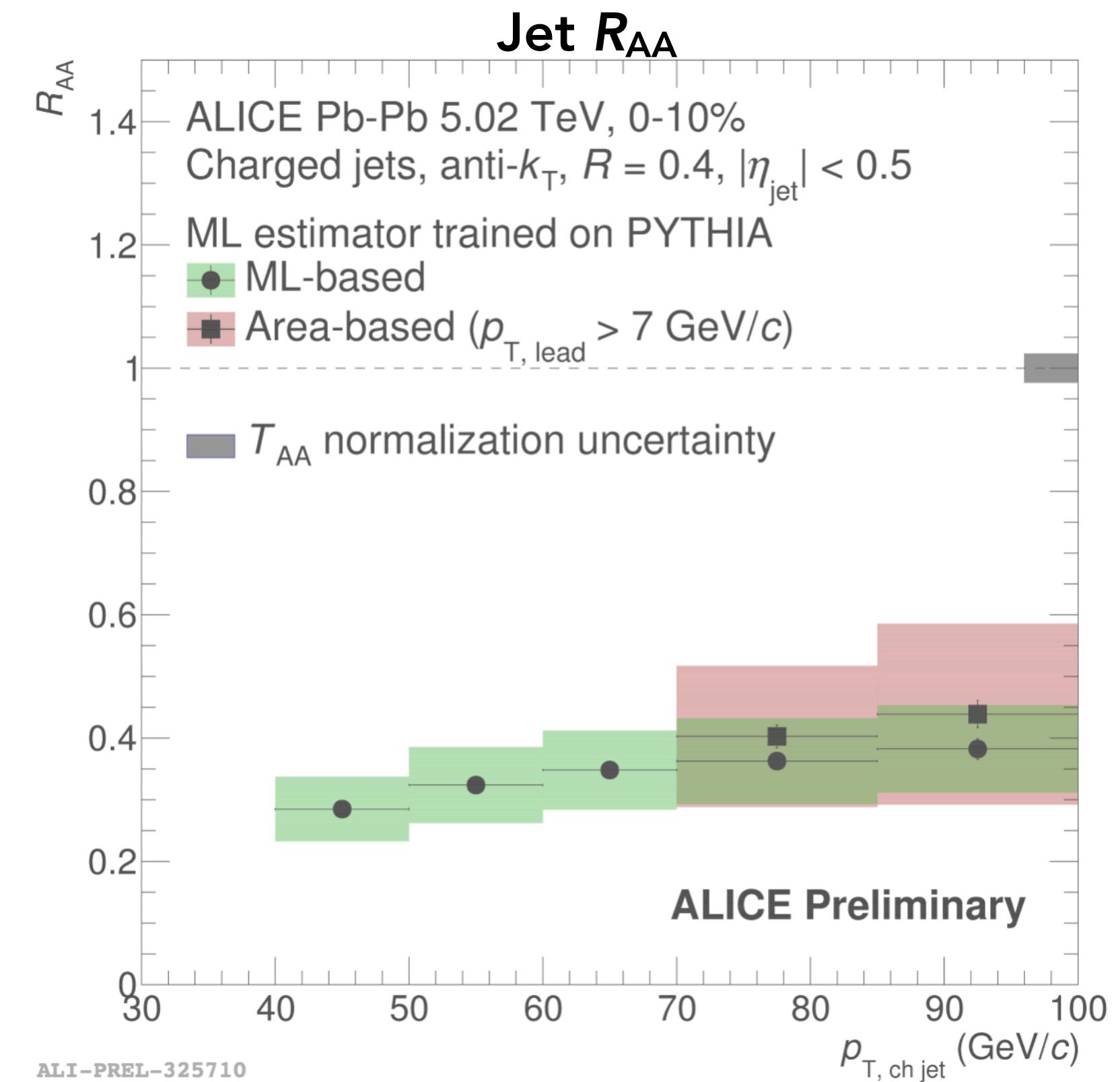
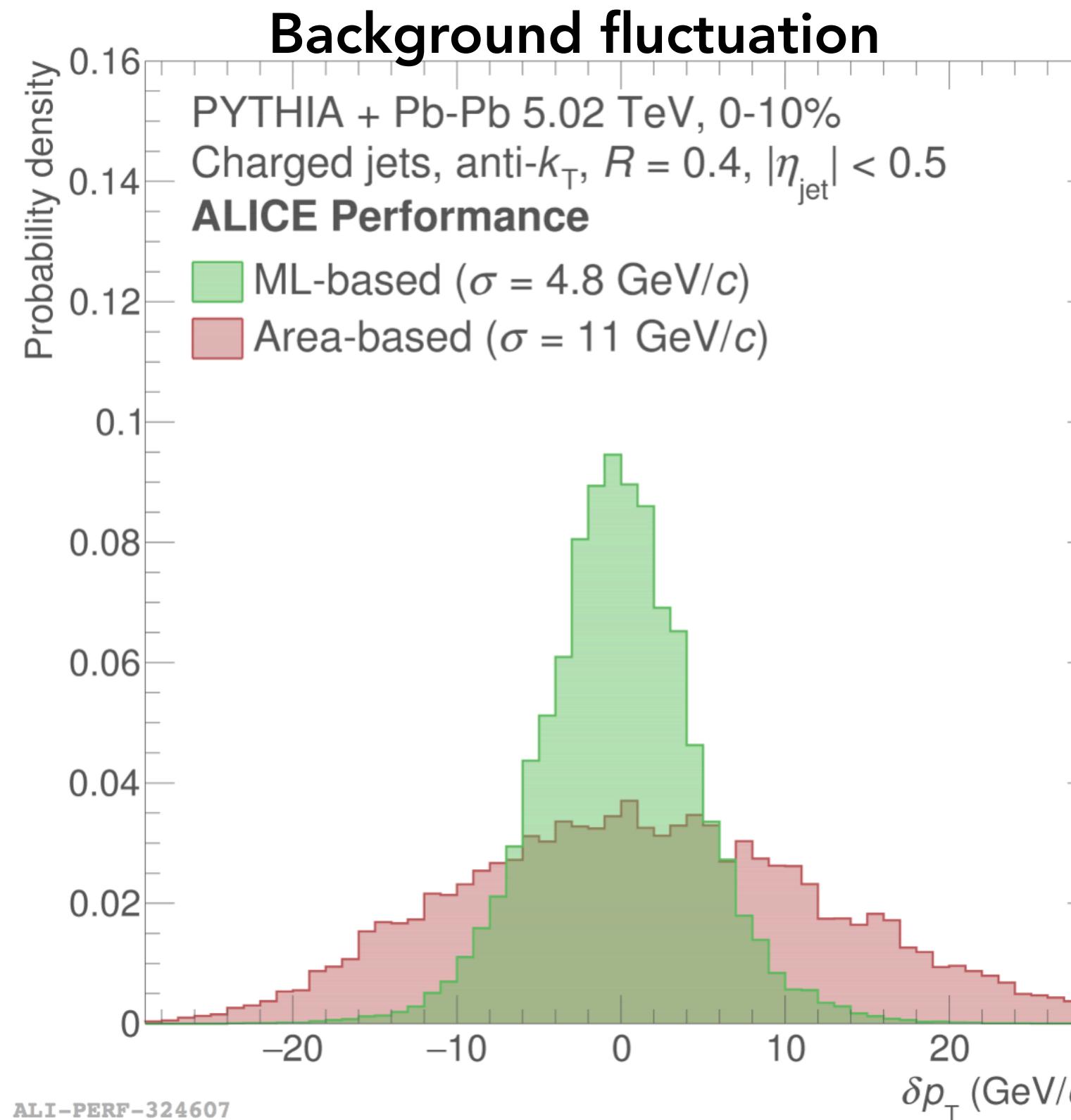


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Recent results in Pb-Pb collisions

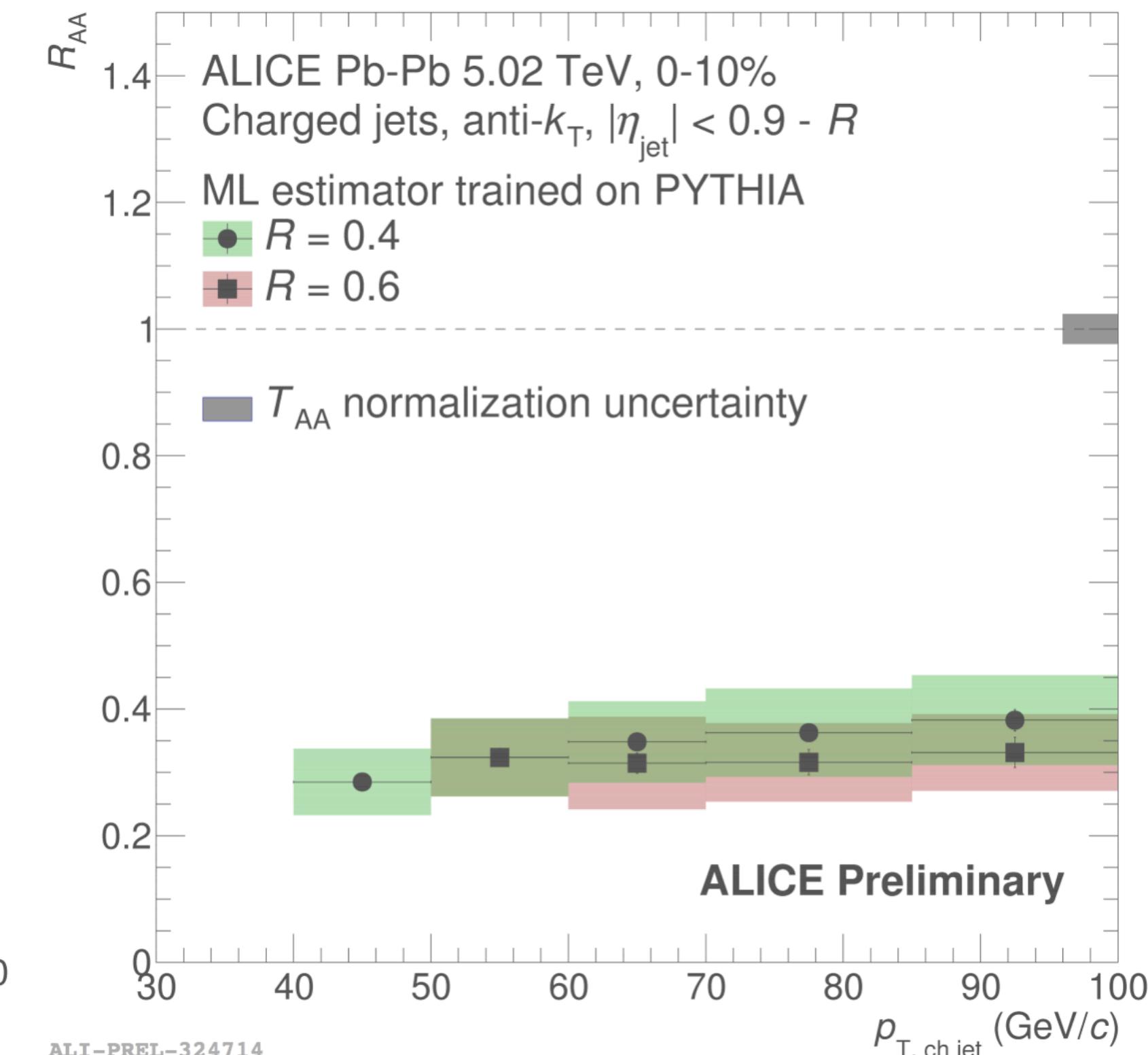
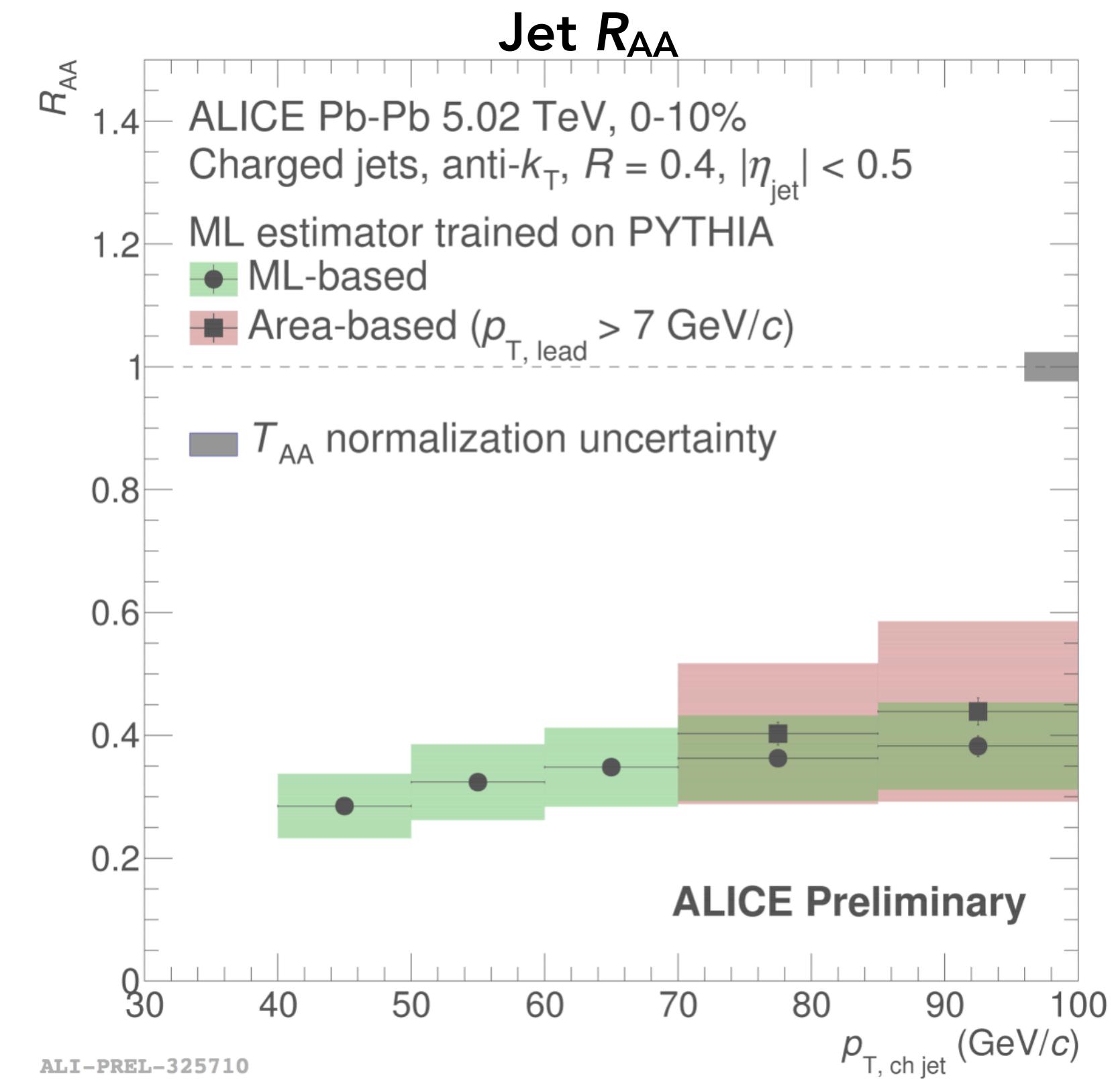
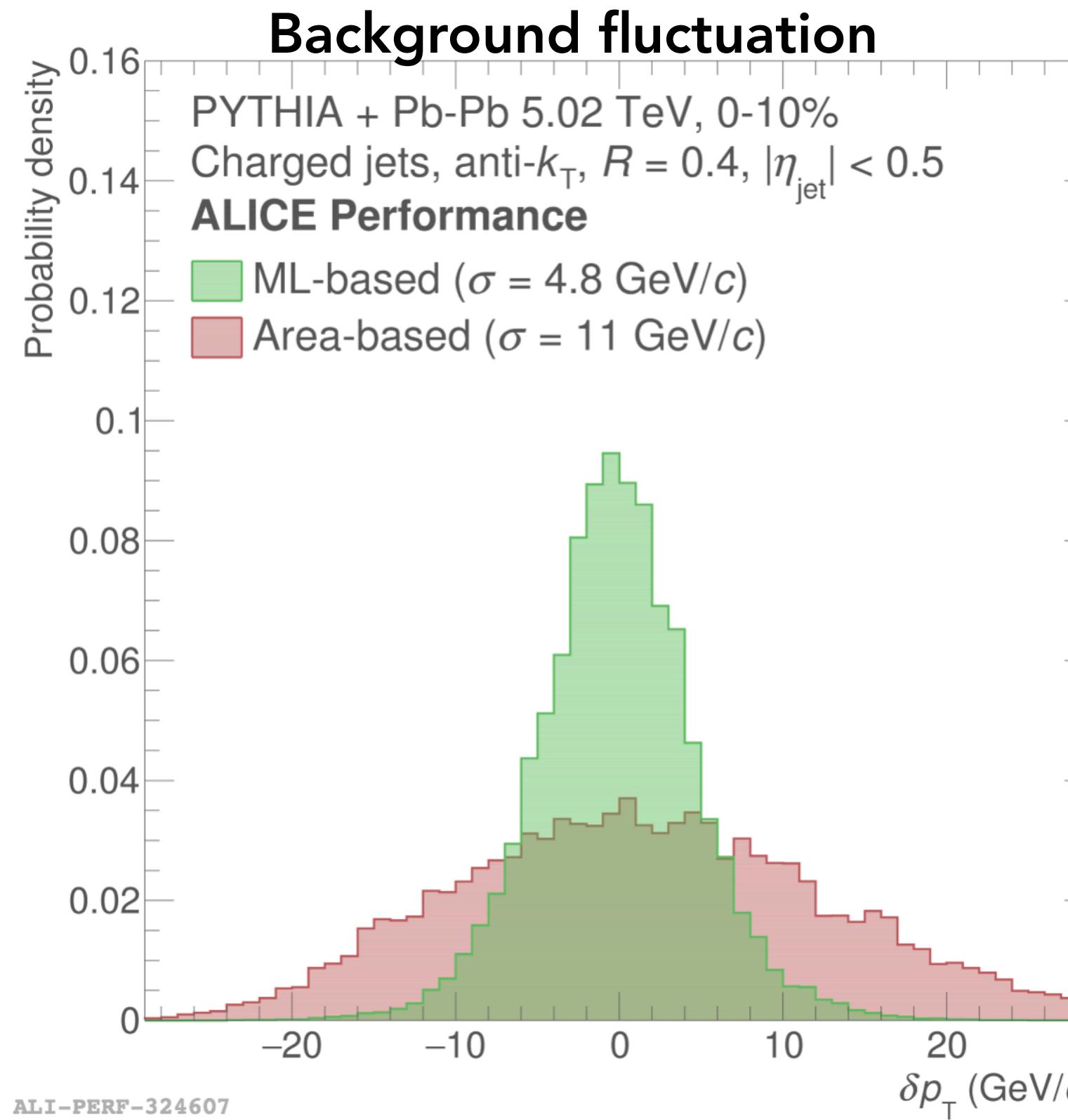
- Jet reconstruction in central Pb-Pb collisions suffers from large amount of background
- Development of new technique based on Machine-Learning
 - Reduces background fluctuations

$$R_{AA} = \frac{dN/dp_T}{N_{\text{event}} \cdot \langle T_{AA} \rangle \cdot d^2\sigma_{pp}/dp_T}$$



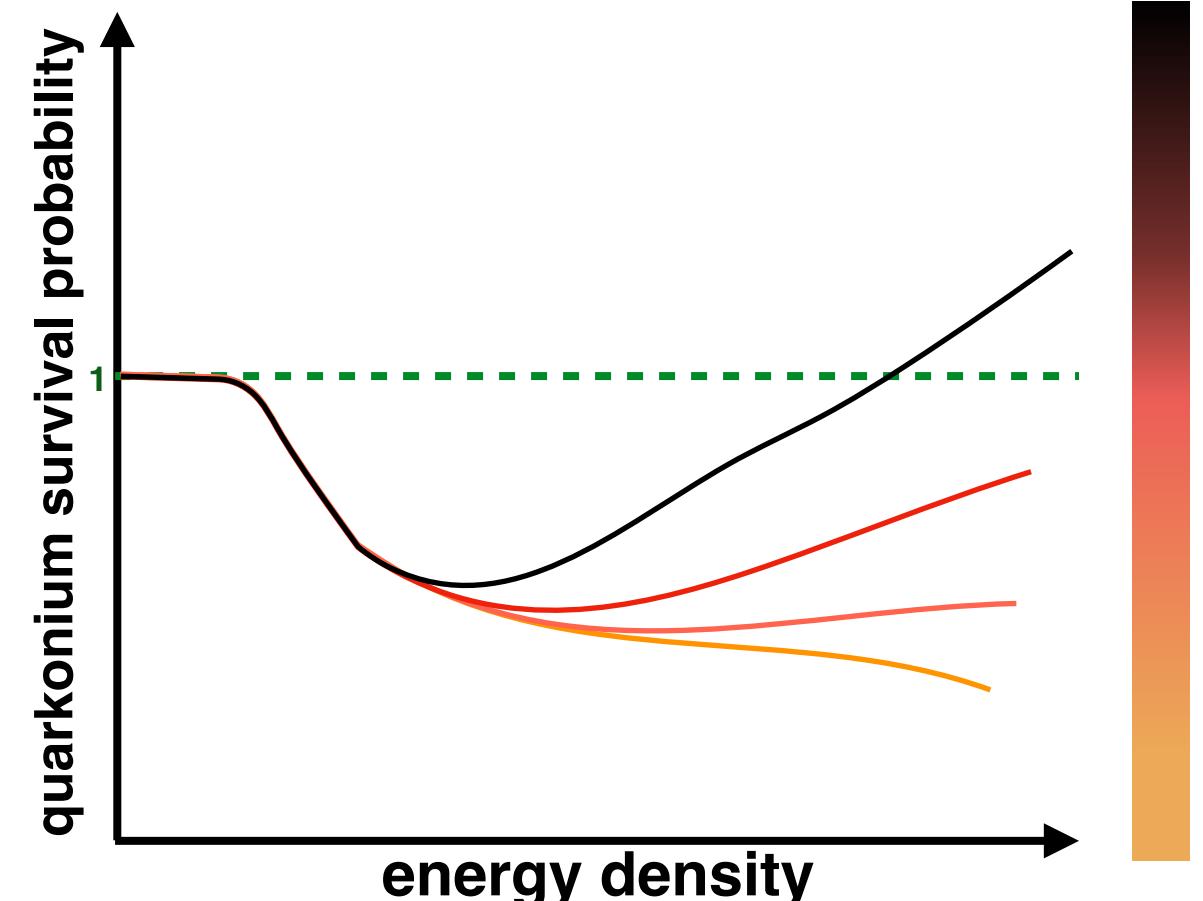
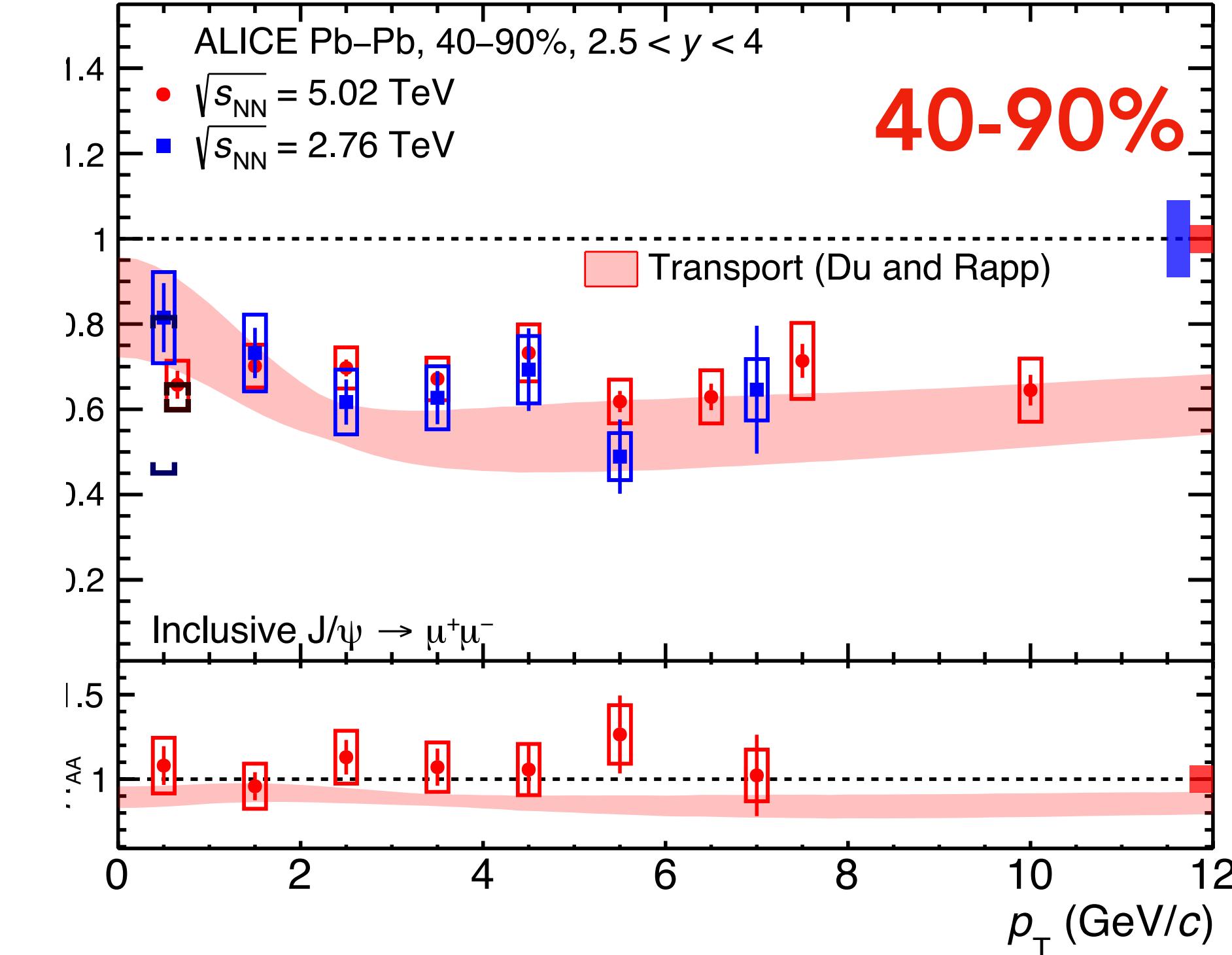
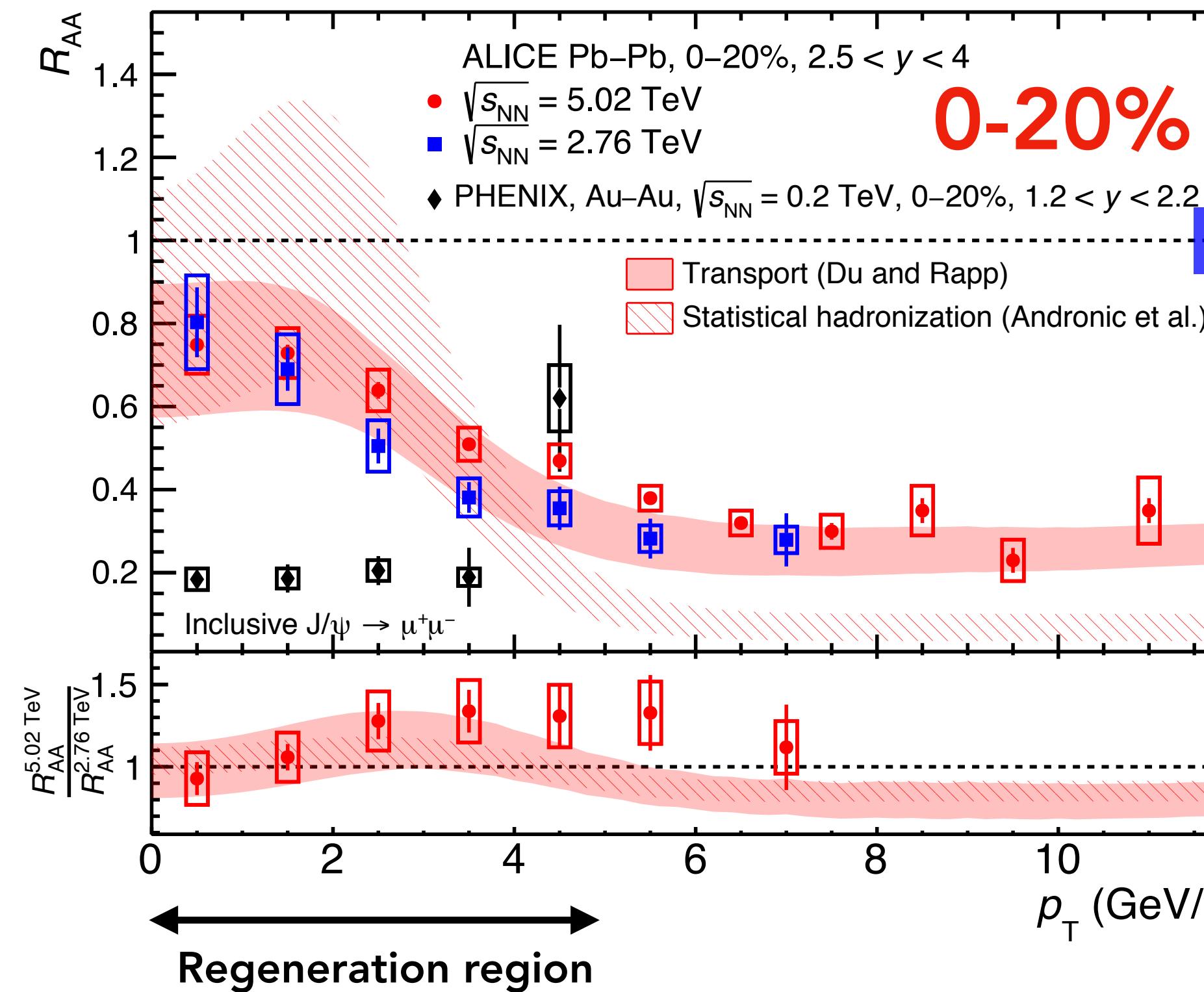
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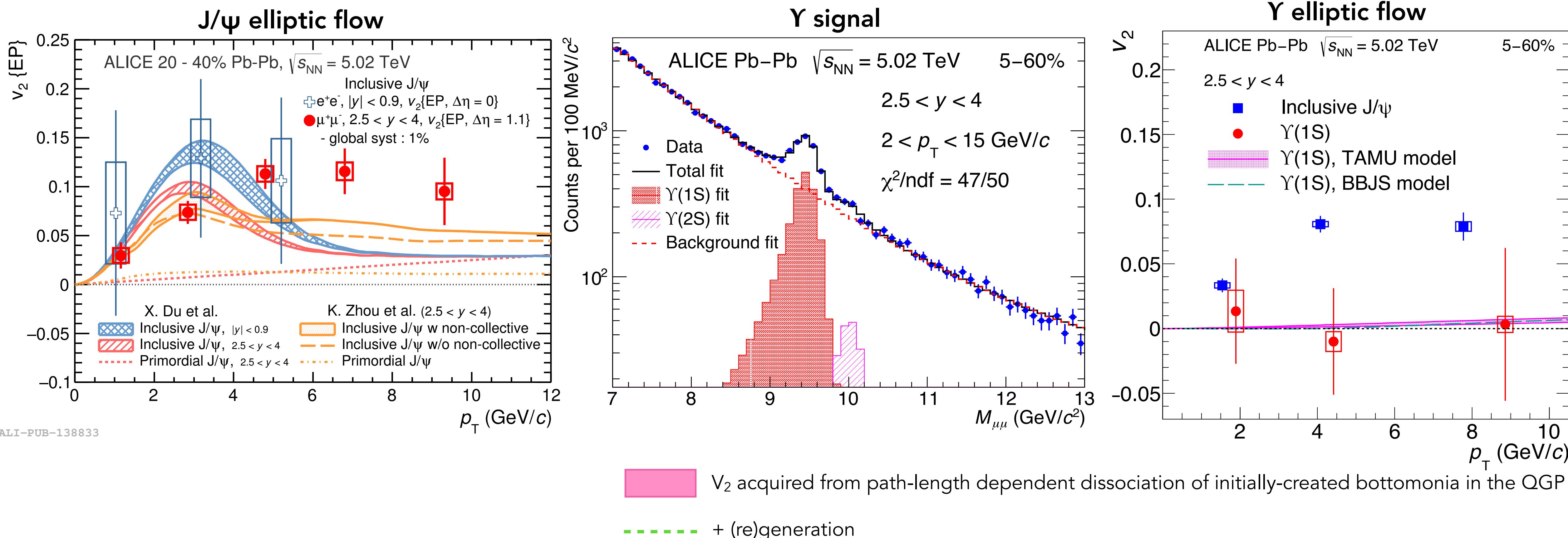
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- New measurement with larger jet resolution at $R=0.6$
- Outlook: training ML estimator with fragmentation models other than PYTHIA

- Quarkonium suppression: probe of de-confinement in the QGP
- Quarkonium production can be enhanced via regeneration



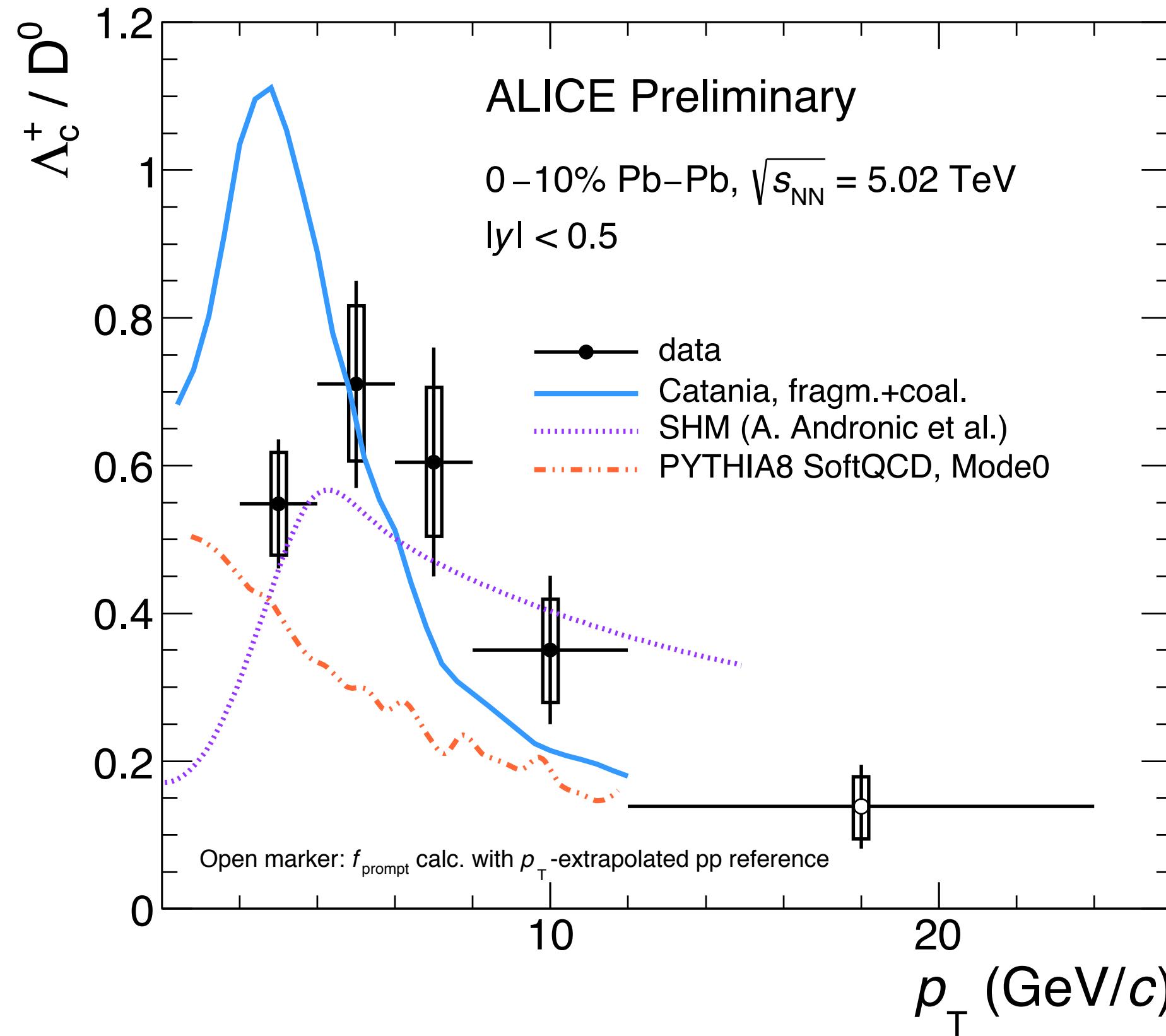
- New double differential results: compatible the two LHC energies in the different centrality, p_T , y regions.
- Models are able to reproduce the results with some tensions at intermediate/high p_T .
- R_{AA} at low p_T + J/ ψ elliptic flow: clear evidence for regeneration

- Regenerated Quarkonia inherit elliptic flow from deconfined heavy quarks

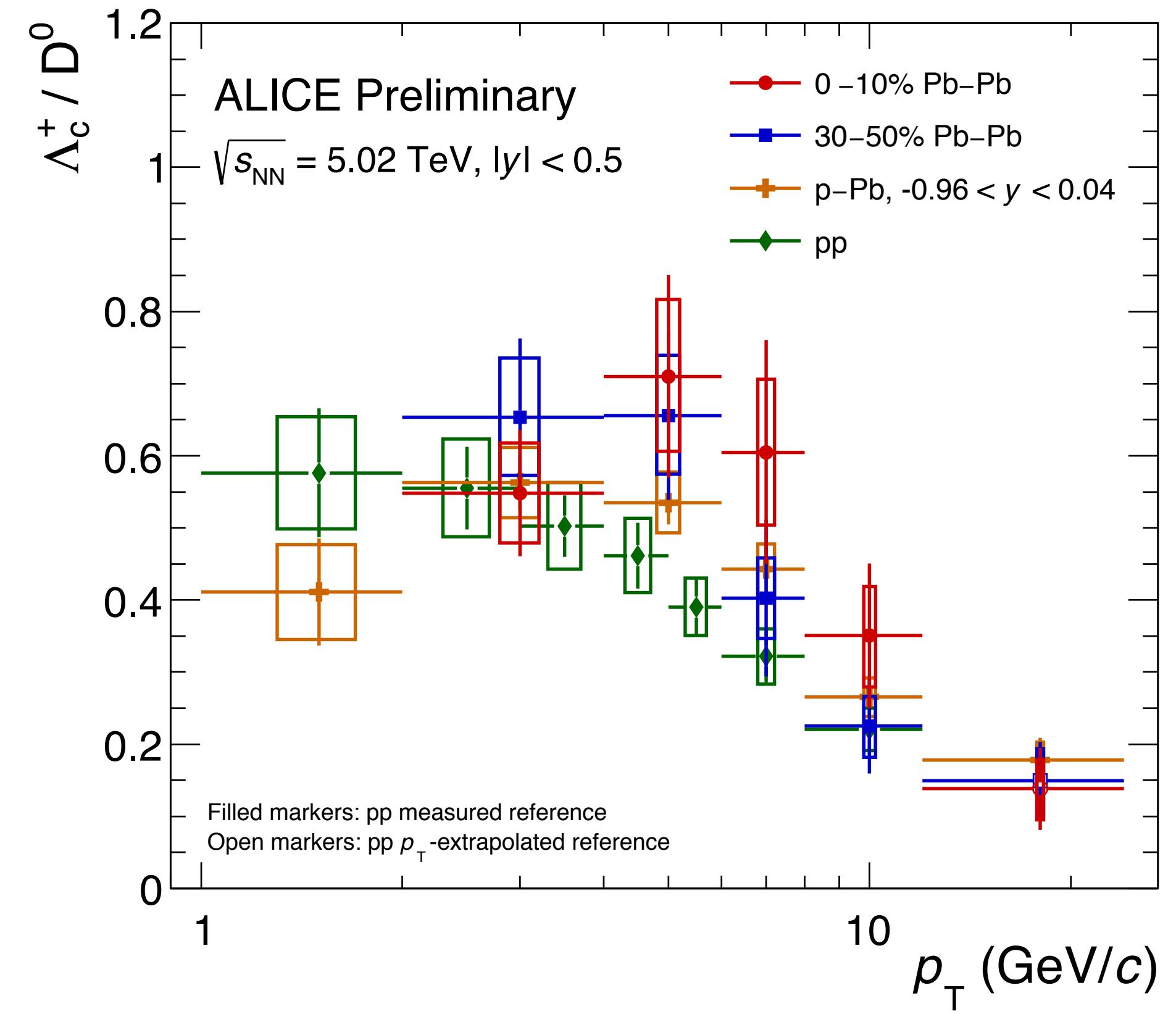


- First measurement of the upsilon flow in Pb-Pb collisions
 - $v_2(\Upsilon) < v_2(J/\psi)$ at 2.6σ
 - Compatible with zero and with models having negligible regeneration

- Λ_c/D^0 ratio is sensitive to the charm quark hadronisation mechanism in the medium
- Larger statistics and higher p_T reach using the 2018 data sample



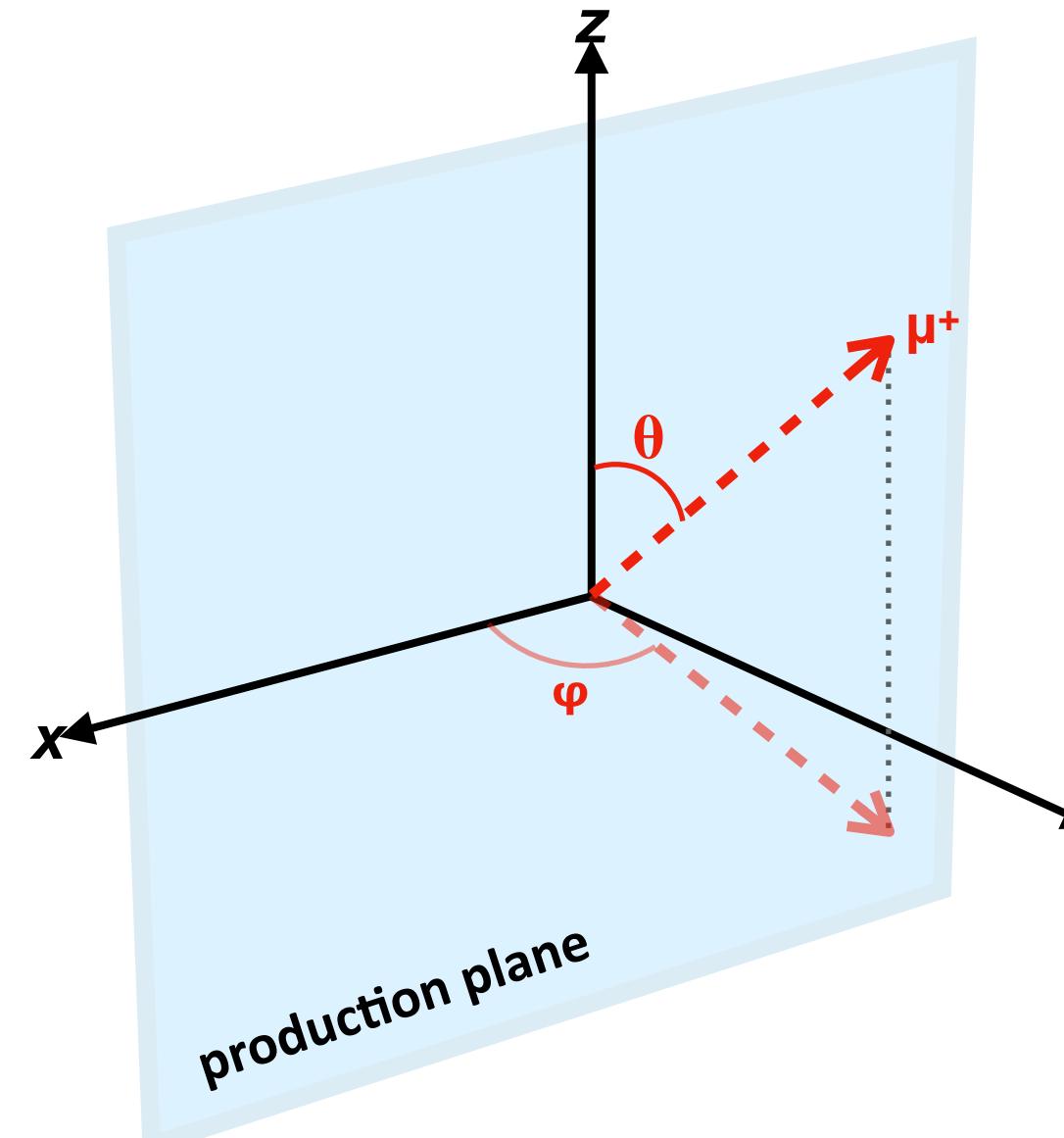
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- Results are qualitatively reproduced by coalescence/thermal models, and underestimated by PYTHIA8 ‘string fragmentation’ model
- Need more data to look for possible differences in pp, pPb, and PbPb collisions

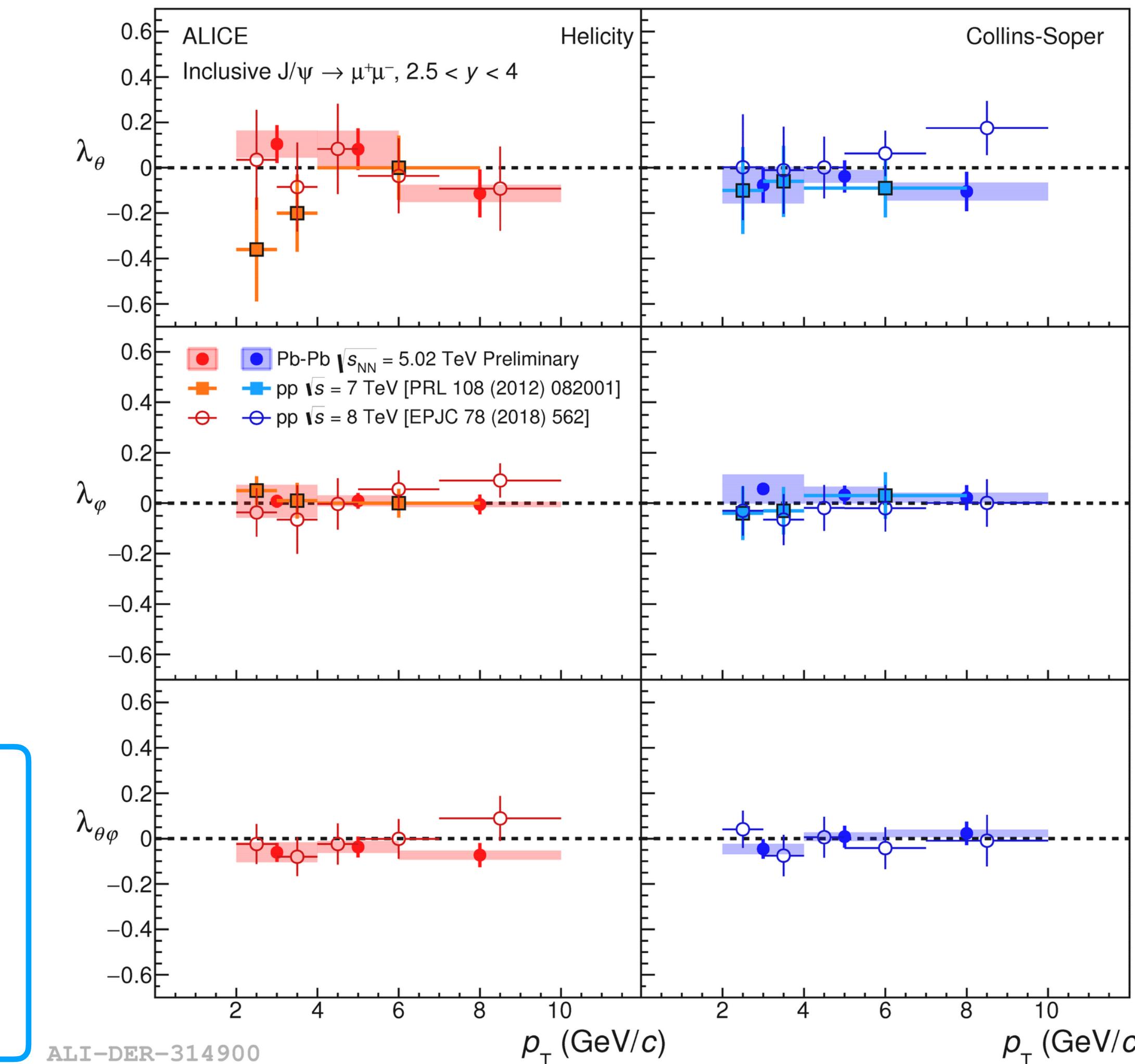
- At the LHC, all the measurements in pp collisions lead to zero polarisation
 - Different models predict non-zero J/ ψ polarisation
- Usually studied using the di-lepton decay angular distributions



$$W(\cos \theta, \varphi)$$

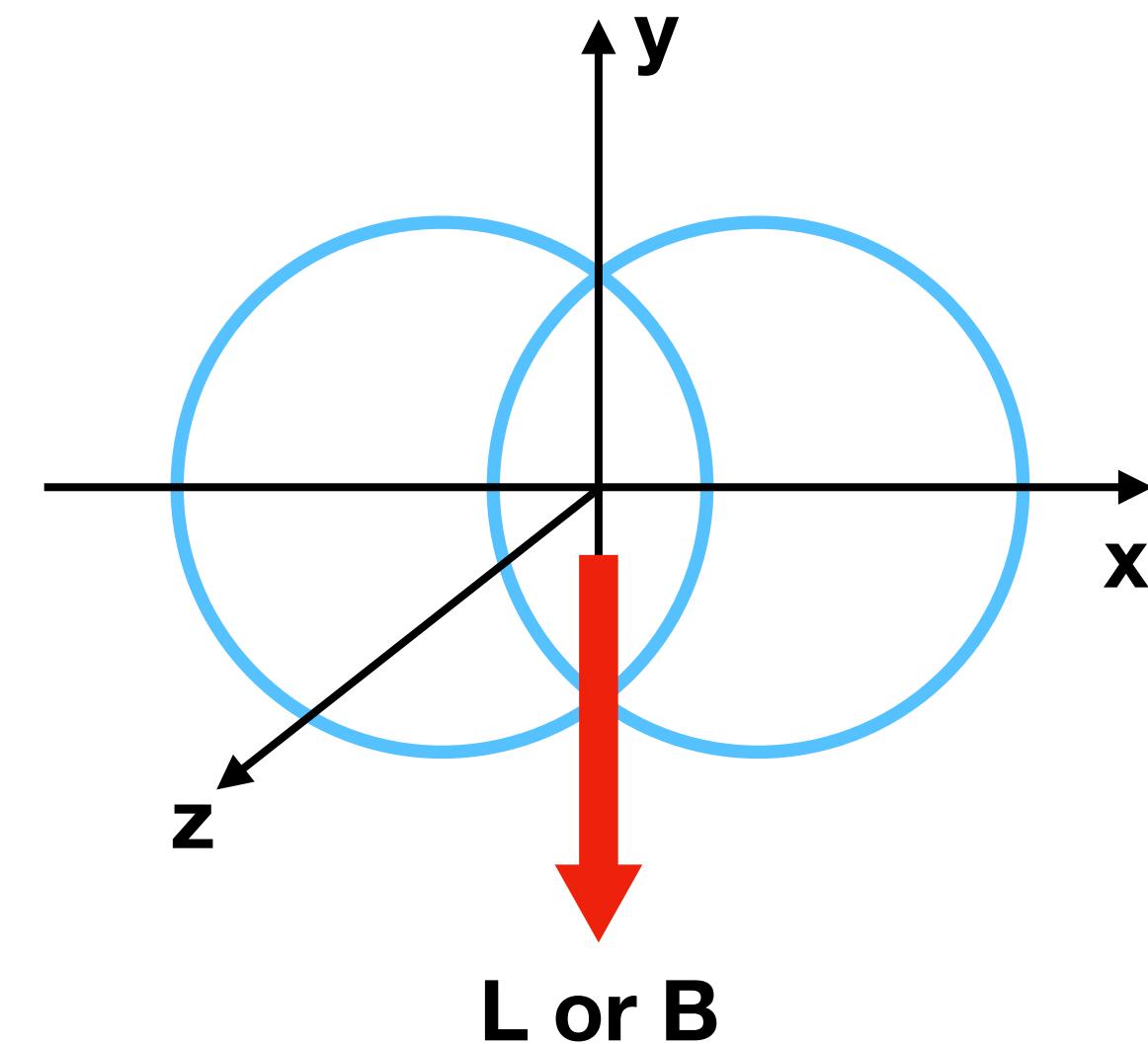
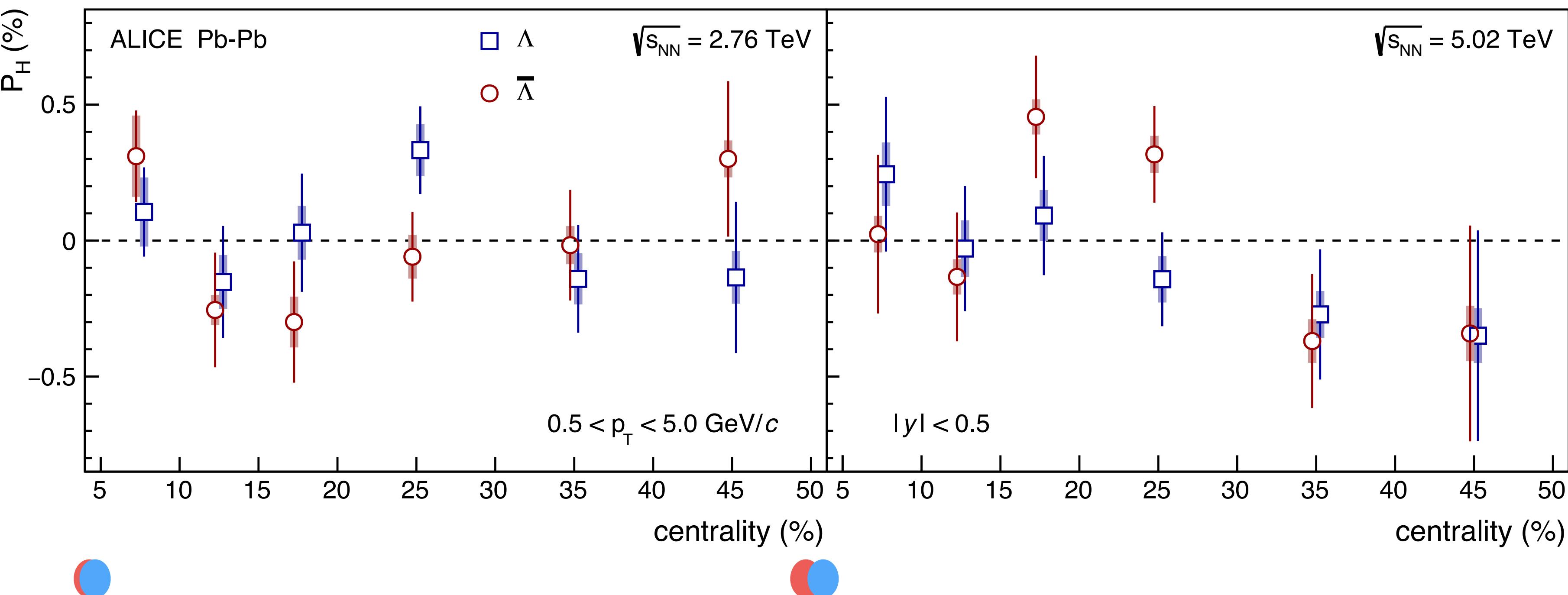
$$\frac{1}{3 + \lambda_\theta} [1 + \lambda_\theta \cos^2 \theta + \lambda_\varphi \sin^2 \theta \cos(2\varphi) + \lambda_{\theta\varphi} \sin(2\varphi)]$$

- $(\lambda_\theta, \lambda_\varphi, \lambda_{\theta\varphi}) = (0, 0, 0)$ → no polarisation
- $(\lambda_\theta, \lambda_\varphi, \lambda_{\theta\varphi}) = (-1, 0, 0)$ → total longitudinal polarisation
- $(\lambda_\theta, \lambda_\varphi, \lambda_{\theta\varphi}) = (+1, 0, 0)$ → total transversal polarisation



- First measurement in Pb-Pb collisions at the LHC
- Within uncertainties, **compatible with zero** and the pp results
- Run-3 and 4: Polarisation measurement for the photo-production excess in peripheral collisions

- Angular momentum + spin-orbit coupling \rightarrow global polarisation
- +, splitting between polarisation of (anti-)particles to study the present magnetic fields

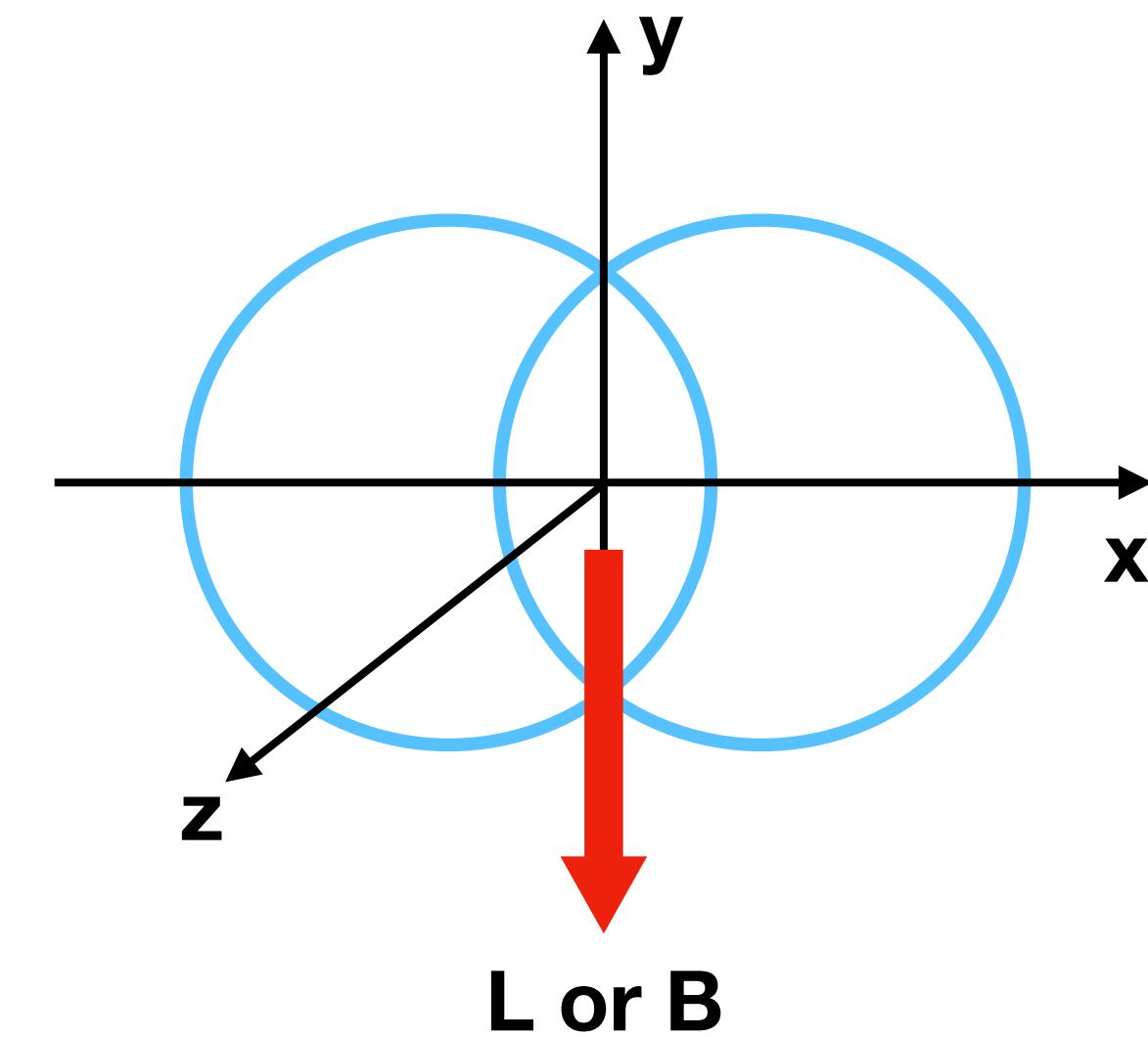
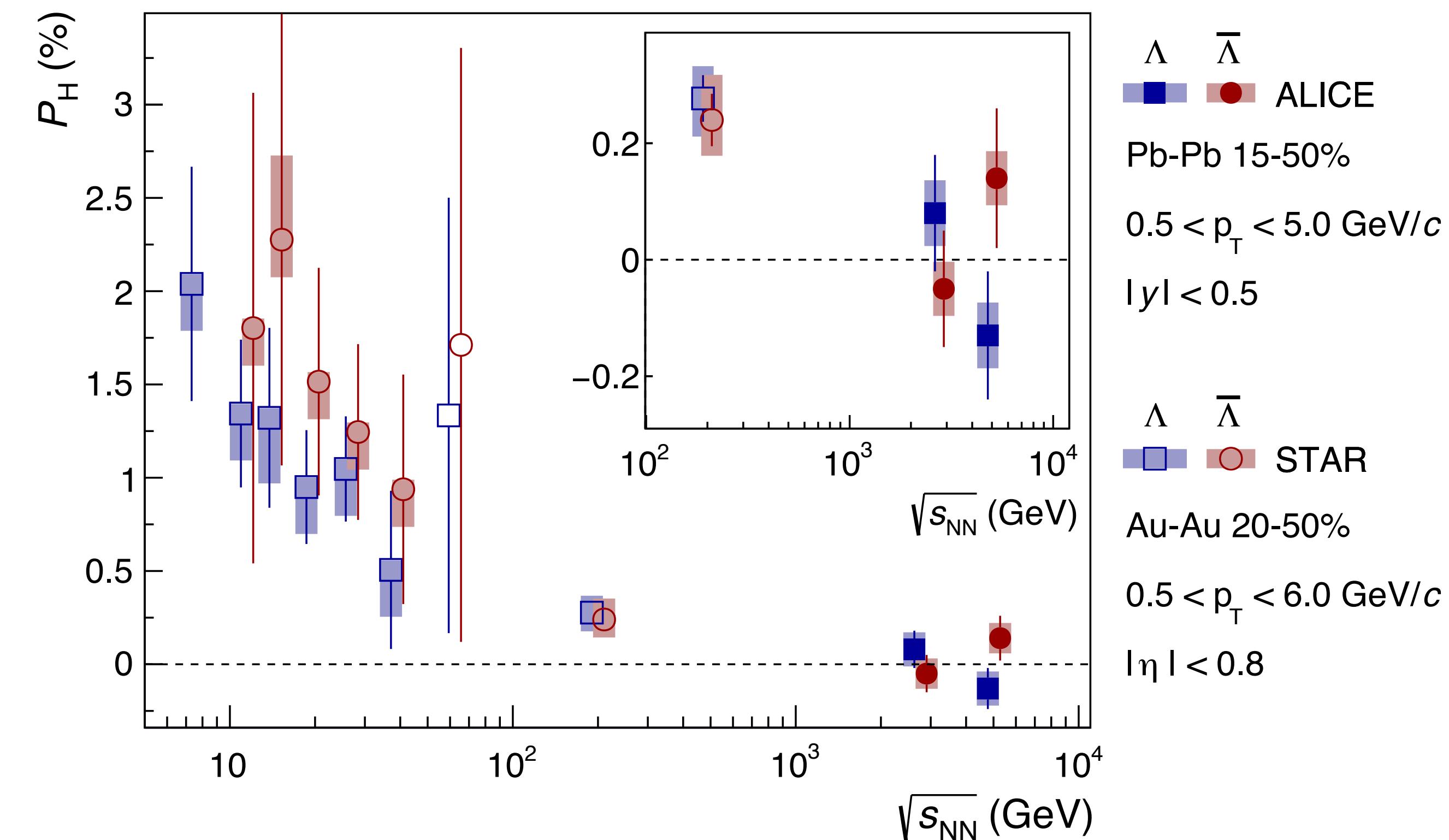


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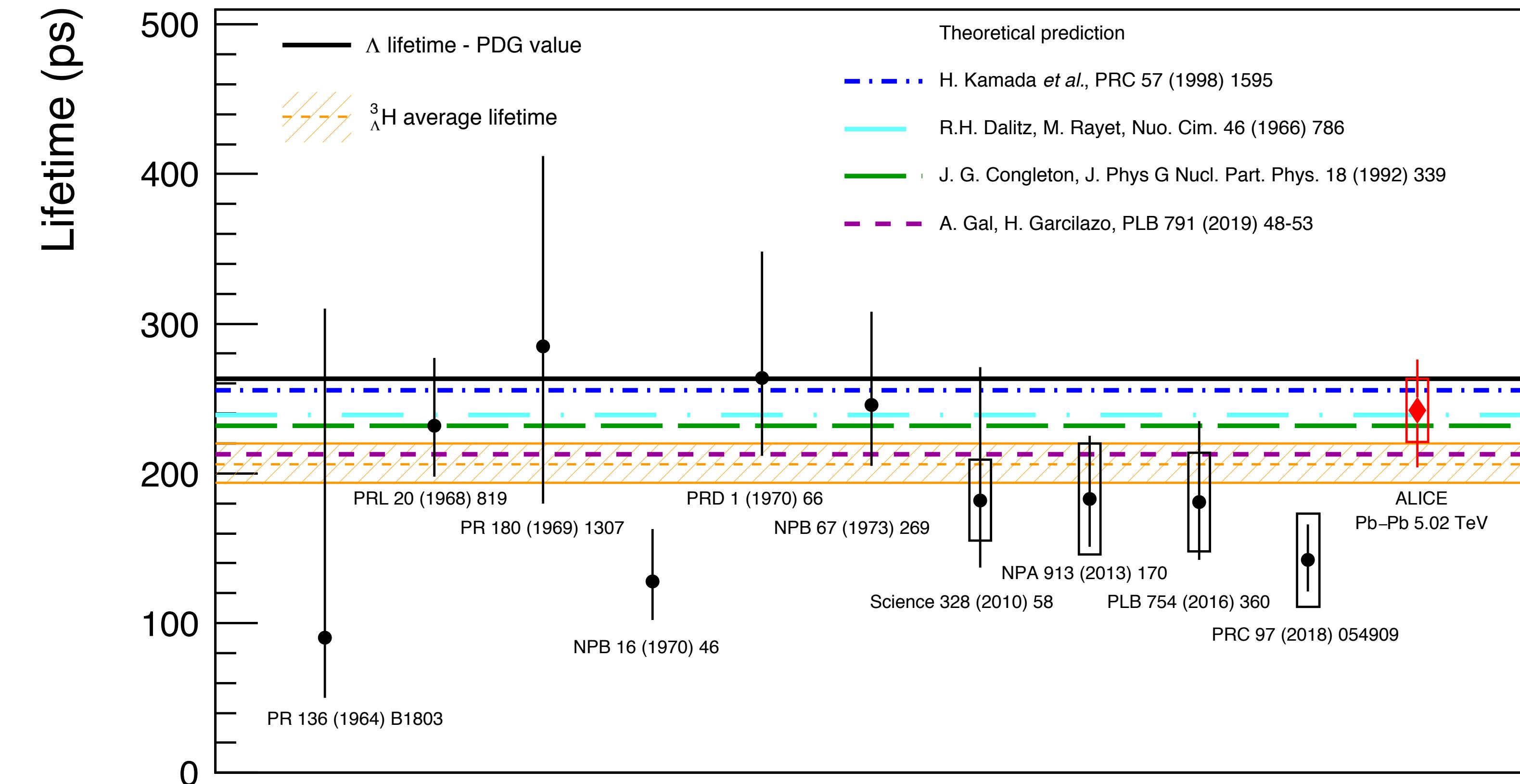
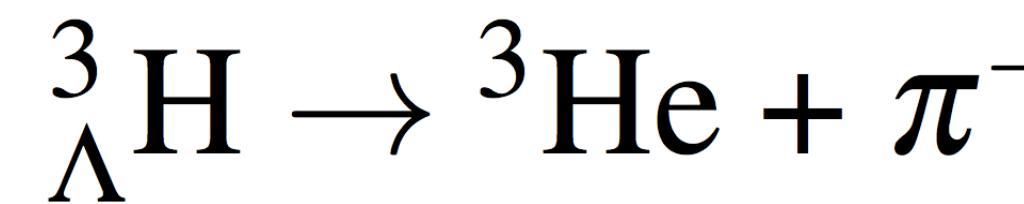
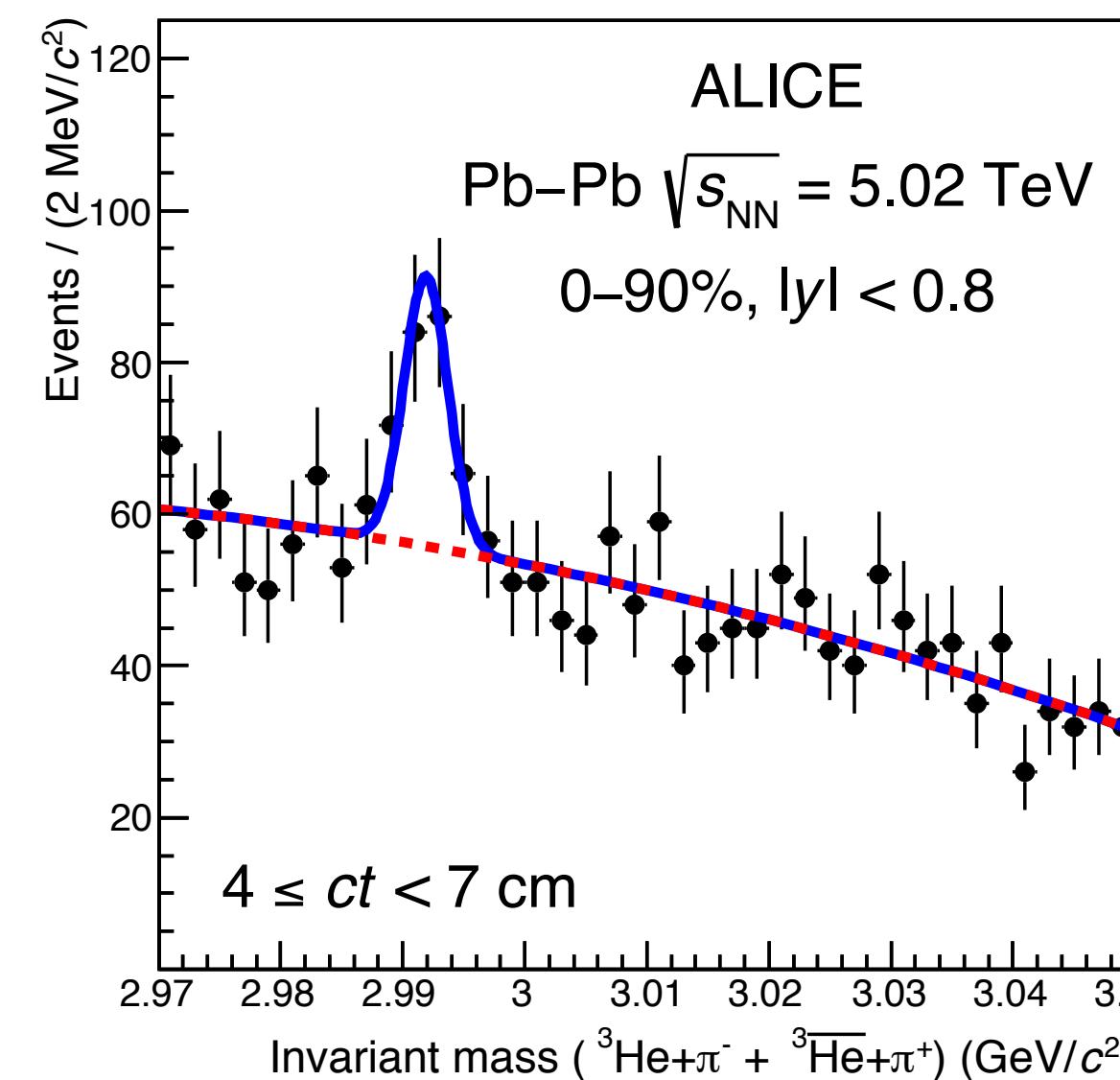
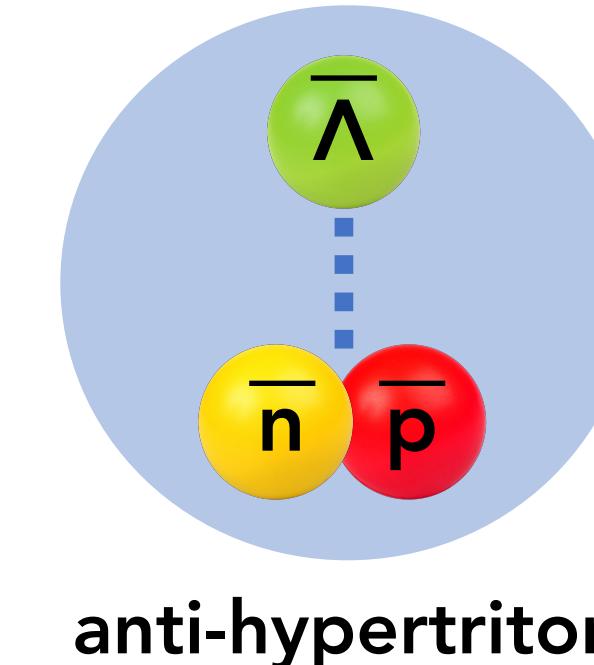


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- Polarisation compatible with zero
- Results compatible with empirical extrapolation relating the global polarisation to the system vorticity

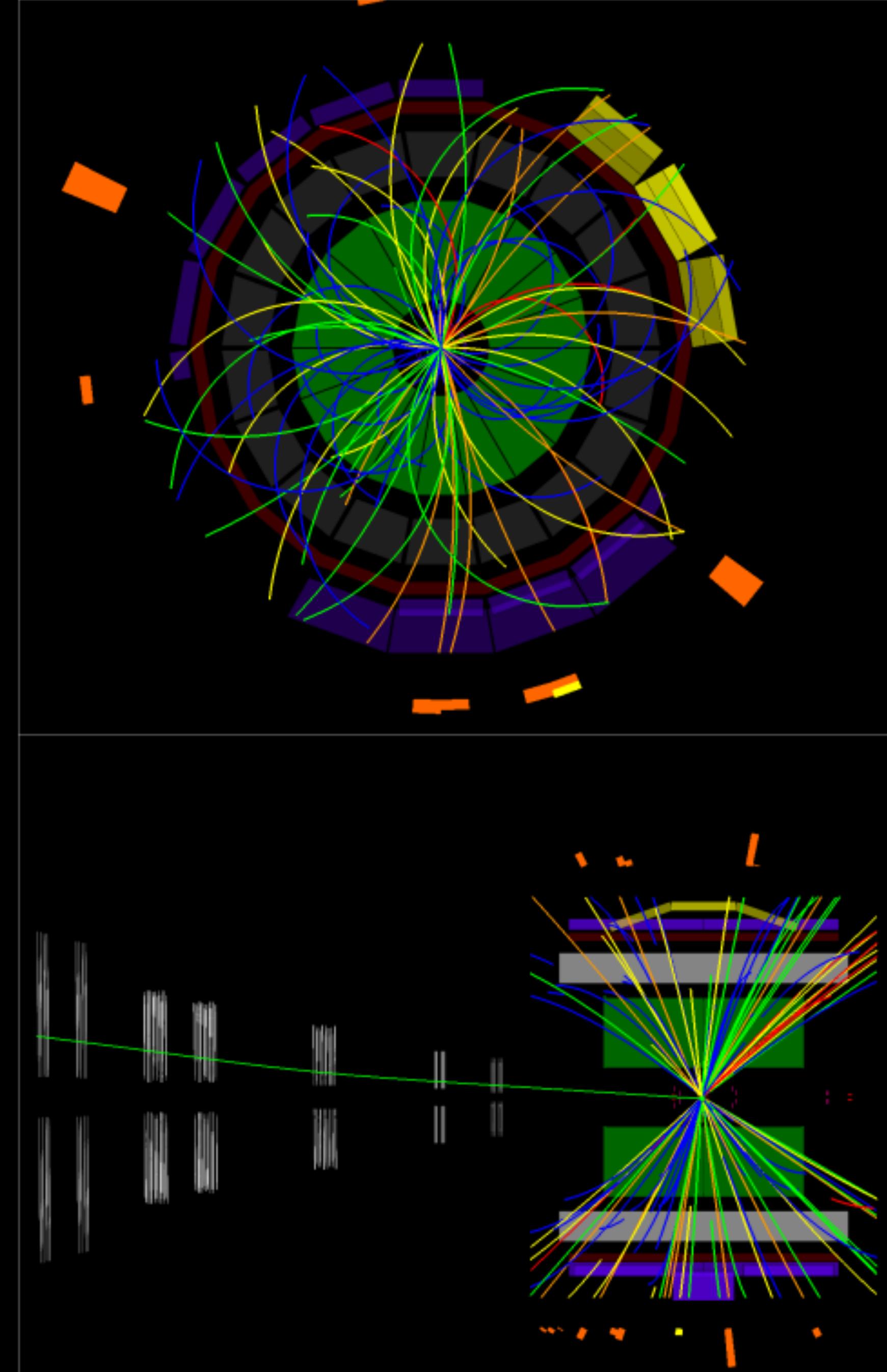
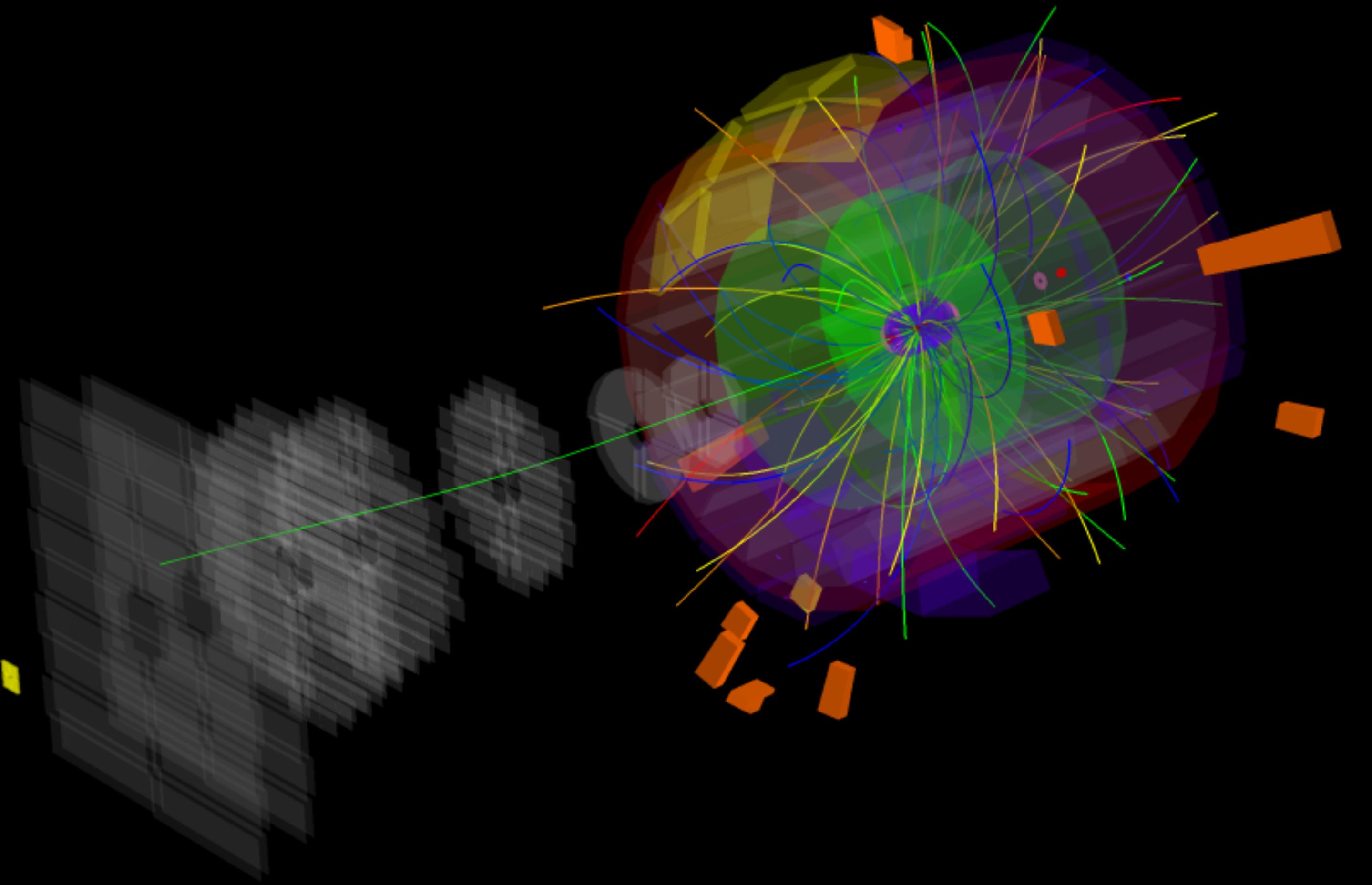
- Properties of exotic nuclei sensitive to hyperon-nucleon interaction potentials: relevant to astrophysics



- ALICE measurement agrees with the different theoretical predictions and with the Λ lifetime
- With Runs-3 and 4 data: expected ALICE precision ~1% and measurement of higher states



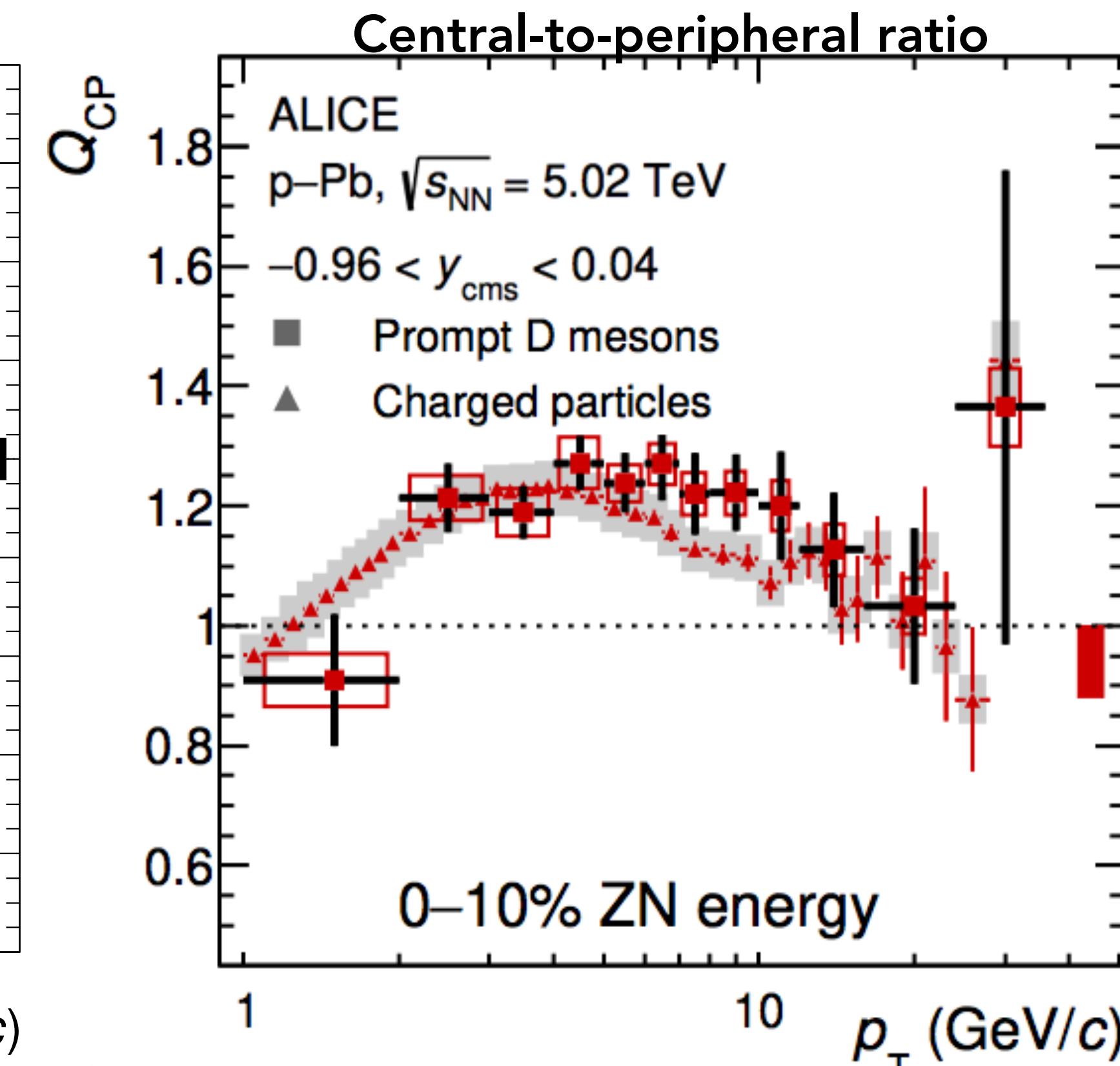
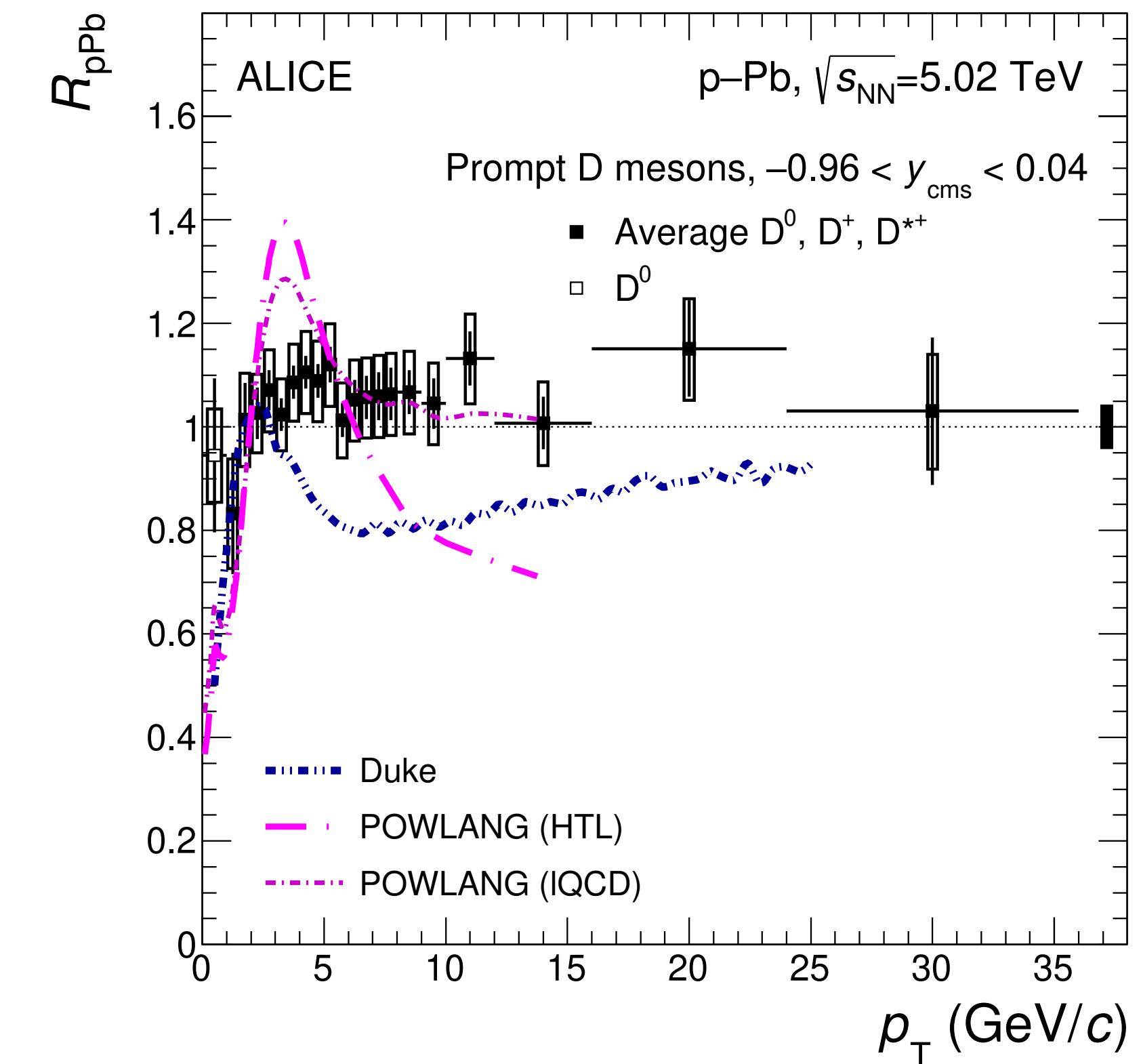
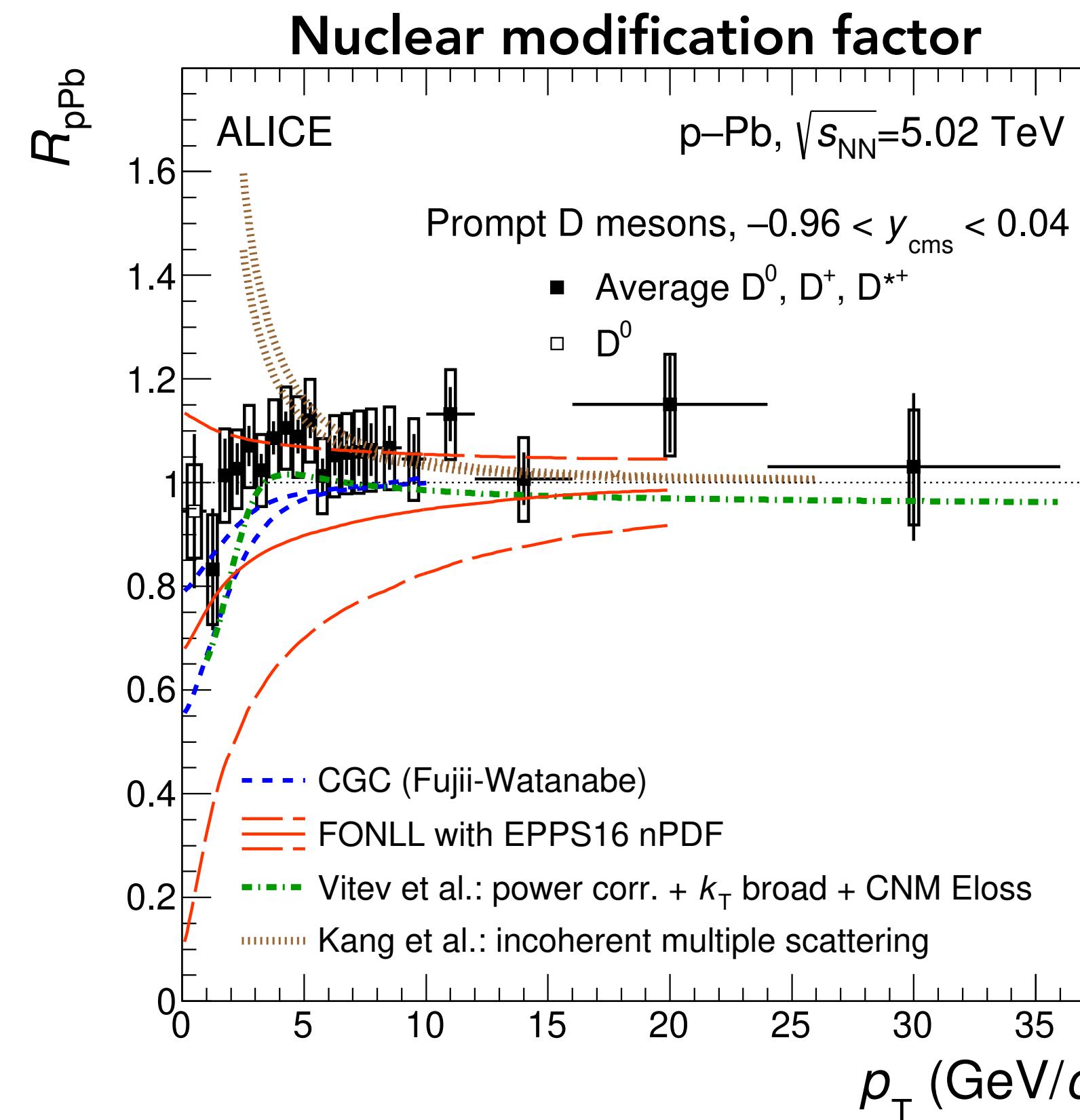
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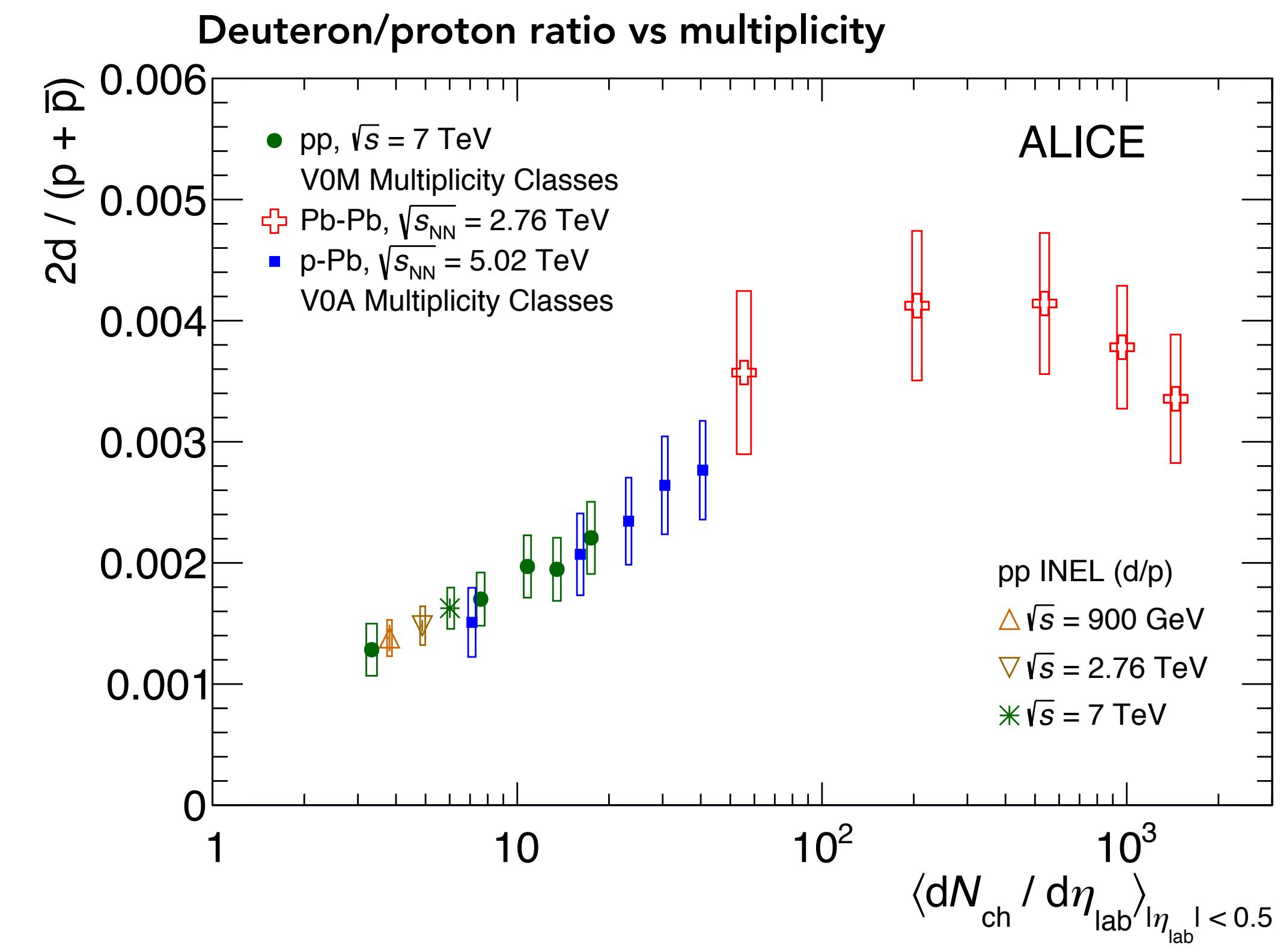
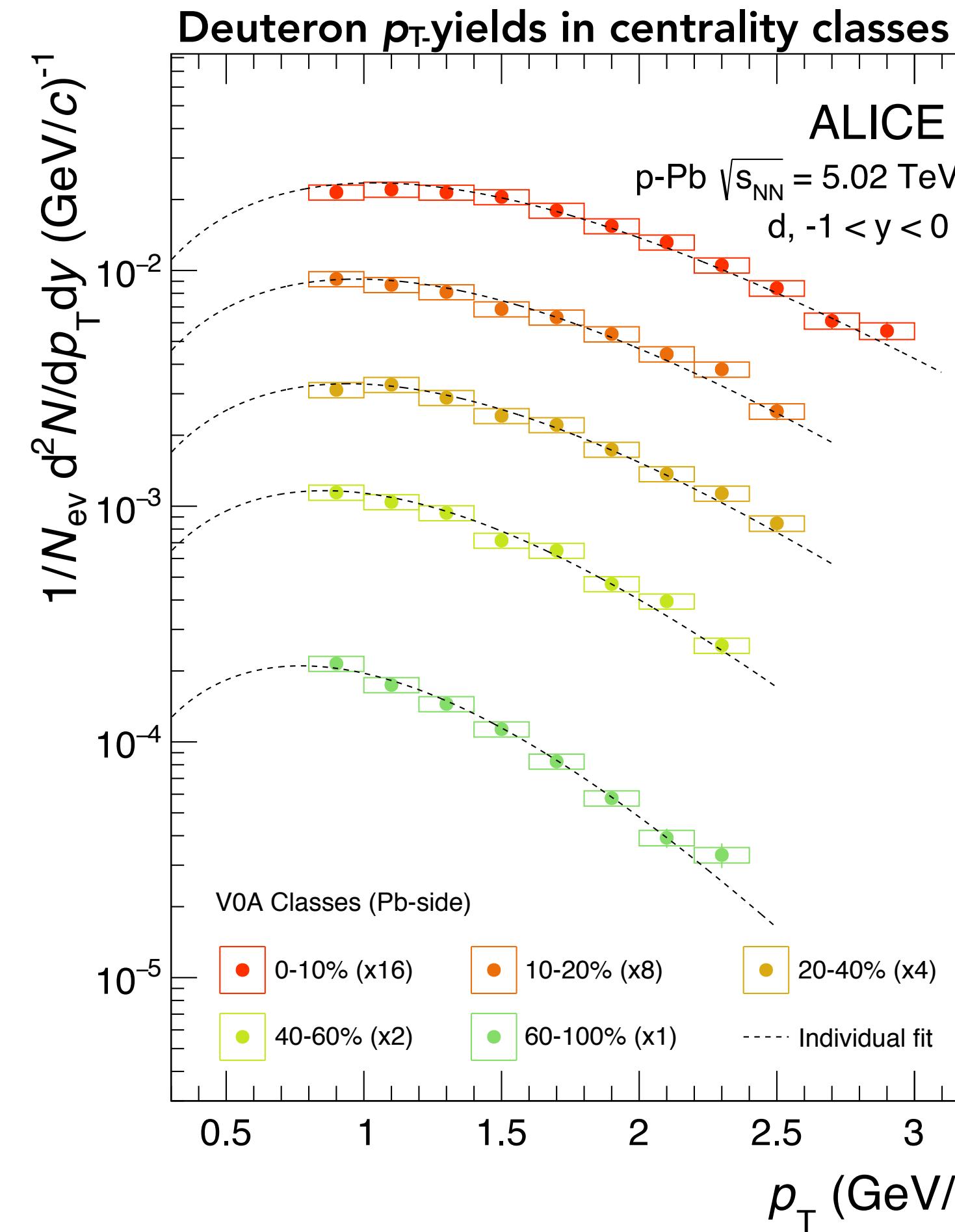
Recent results in p-Pb collisions

- Measurement in p-A collisions as baseline for initial state effects (e.g gluon shadowing) in A-A
- Final state effects in p-A (e.g energy loss, radial flow) ?



- Models with initial state effects can describe the data
- Models with large energy loss are disfavoured
- The Q_{cp} for D-mesons is compatible with that for charged particle
- **Enhancement at intermediate p_T suggests radial flow ?**

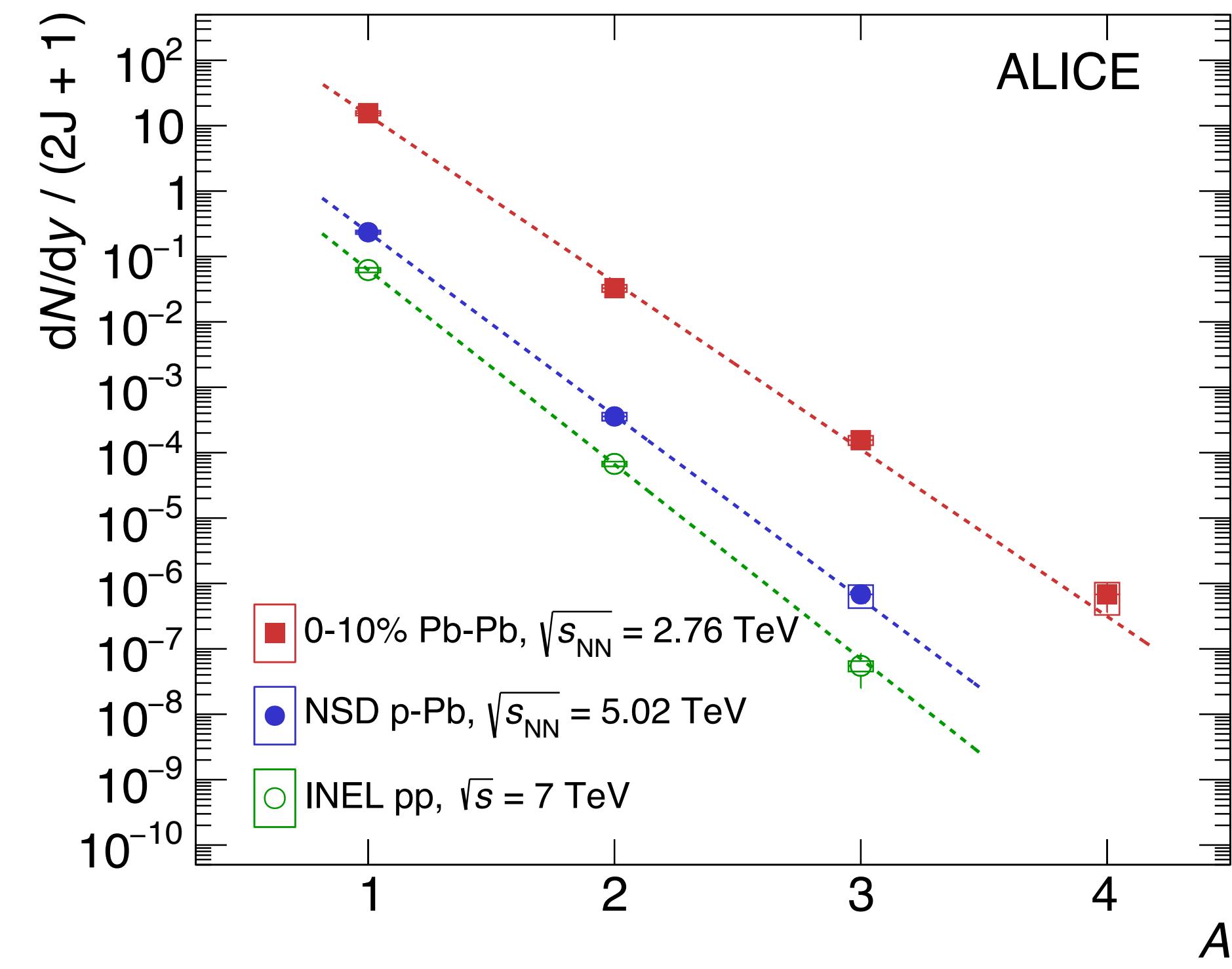
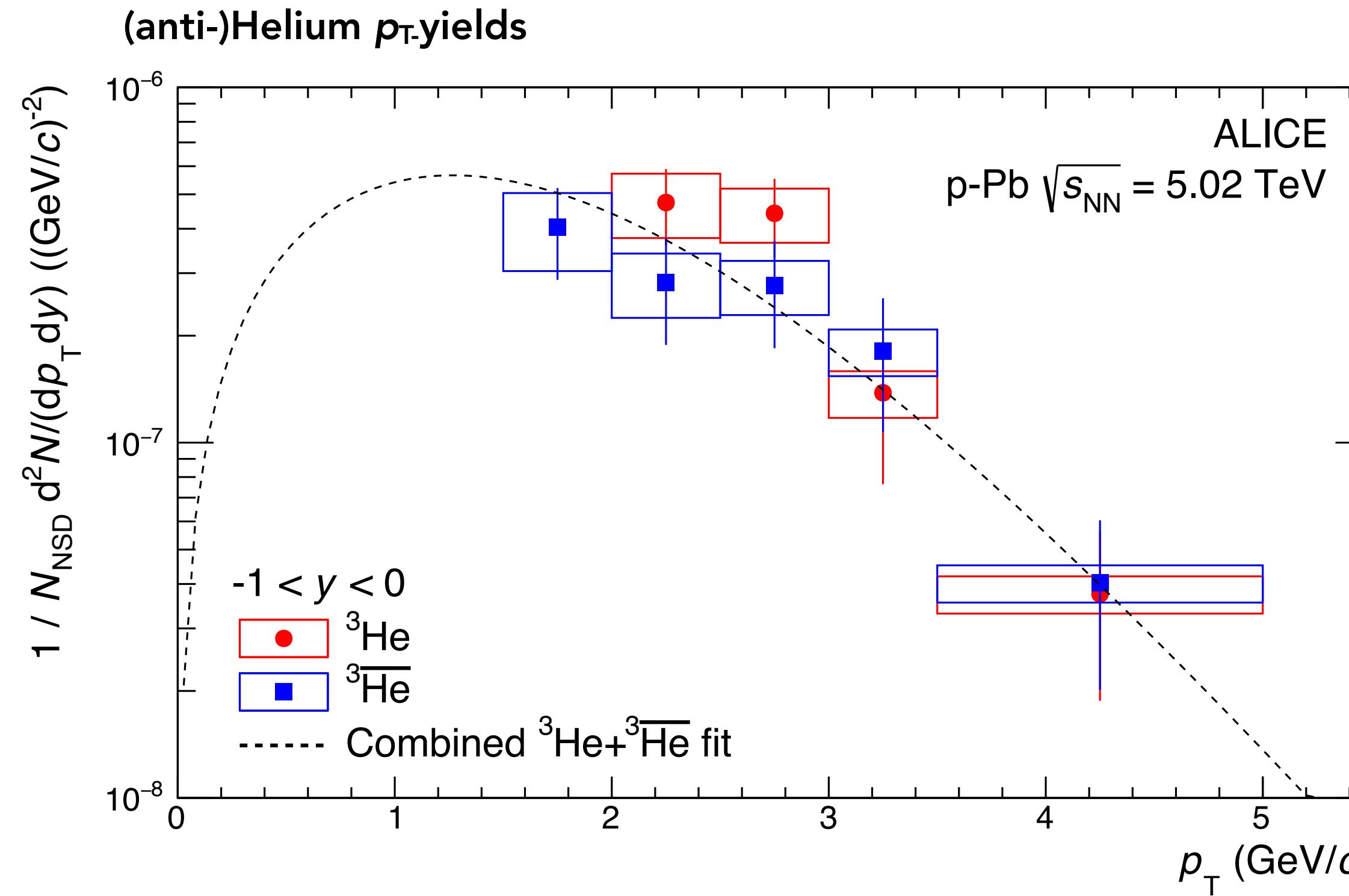
- Understanding the production mechanism provide inputs for background determination in searches for anti-nuclei in space
- Measurement in p-Pb to bridge the available results in pp and Pb-Pb



- The spectra of d and \bar{d} harden with increasing multiplicity

- **p-Pb results at low (high) multiplicity compatible with the pp (Pb-Pb) ones**
 - Pb-Pb: Agreement with thermal models
 - p-Pb, pp: Qualitatively agree with expectations from coalescence models

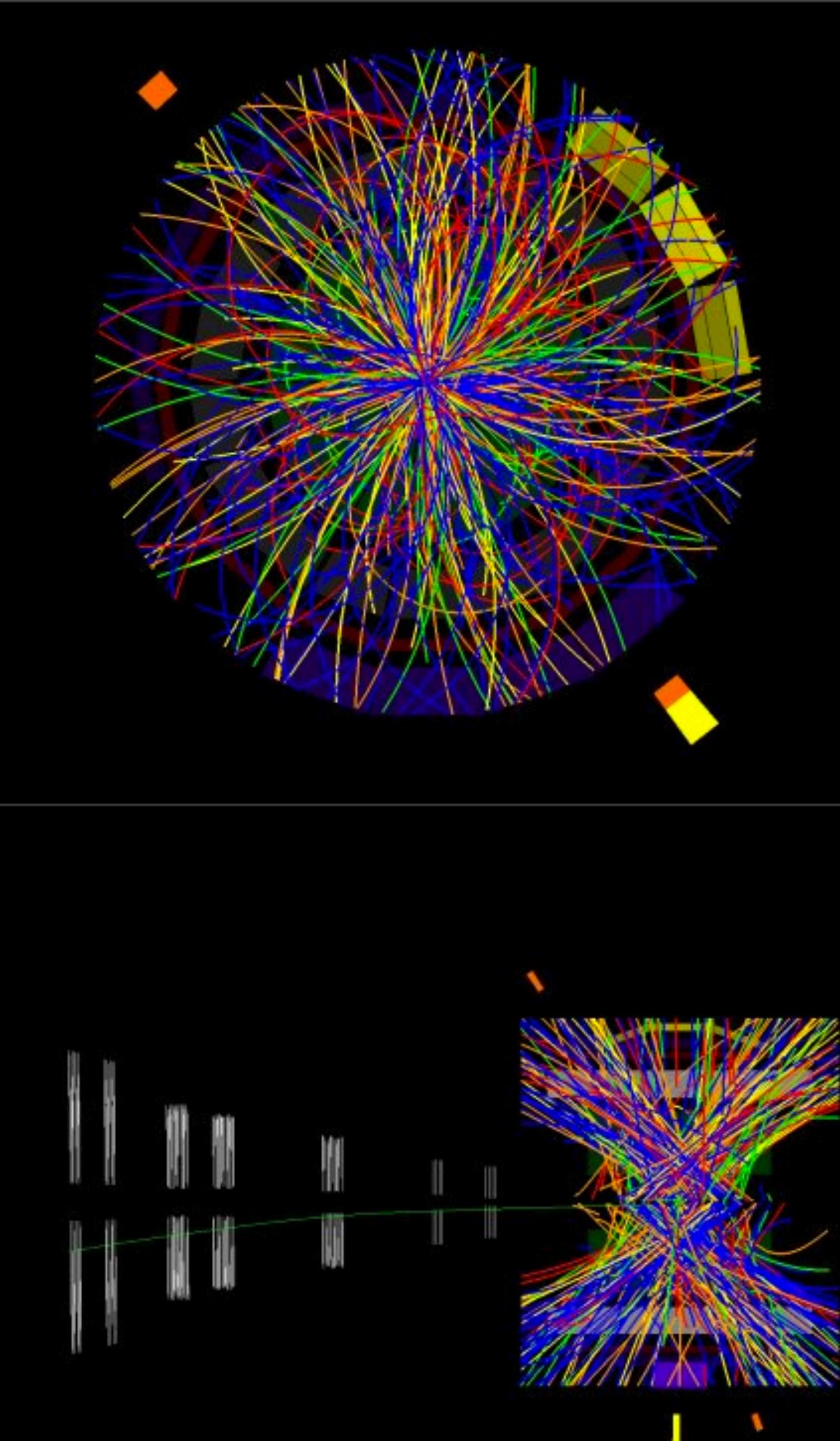
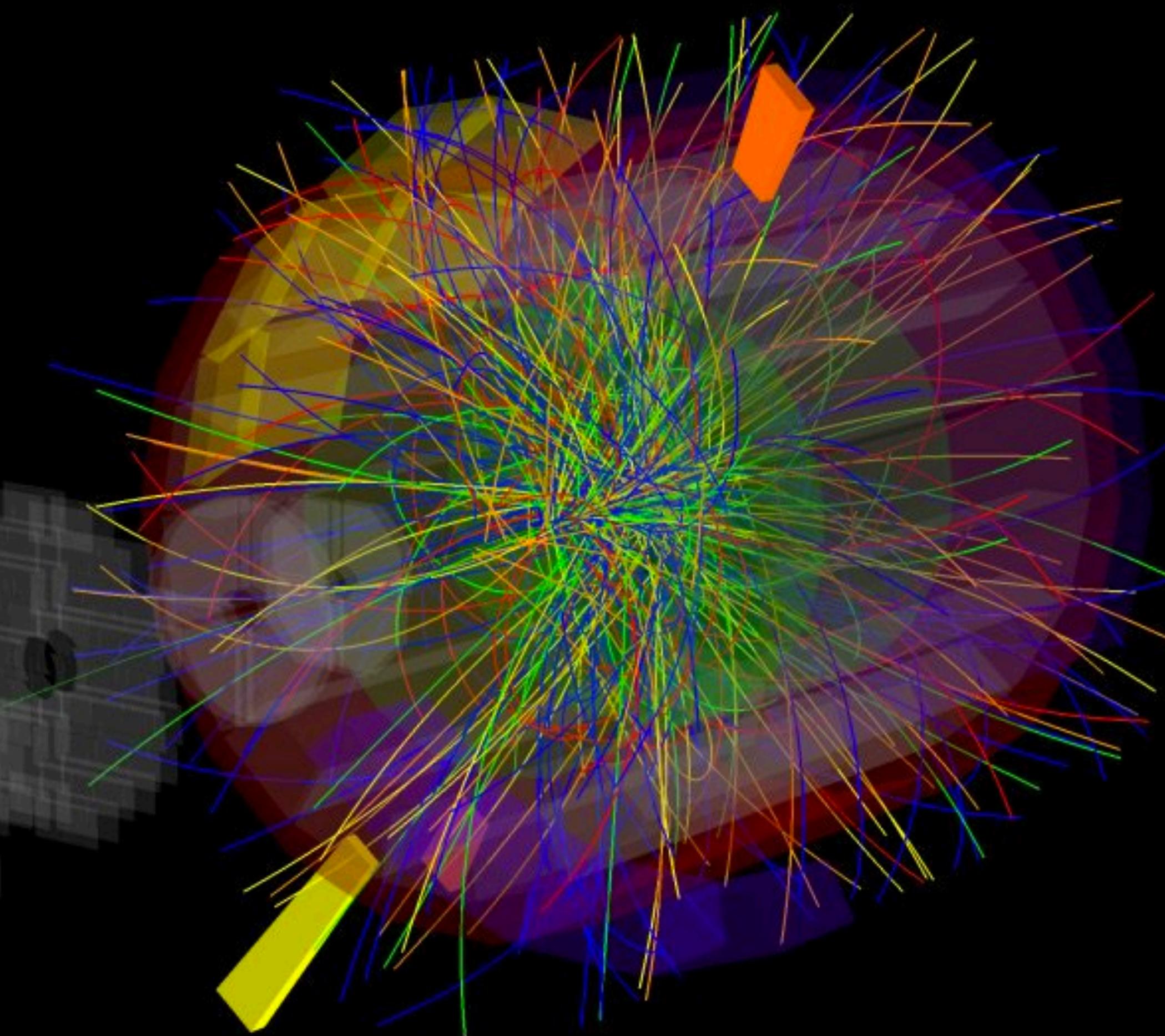
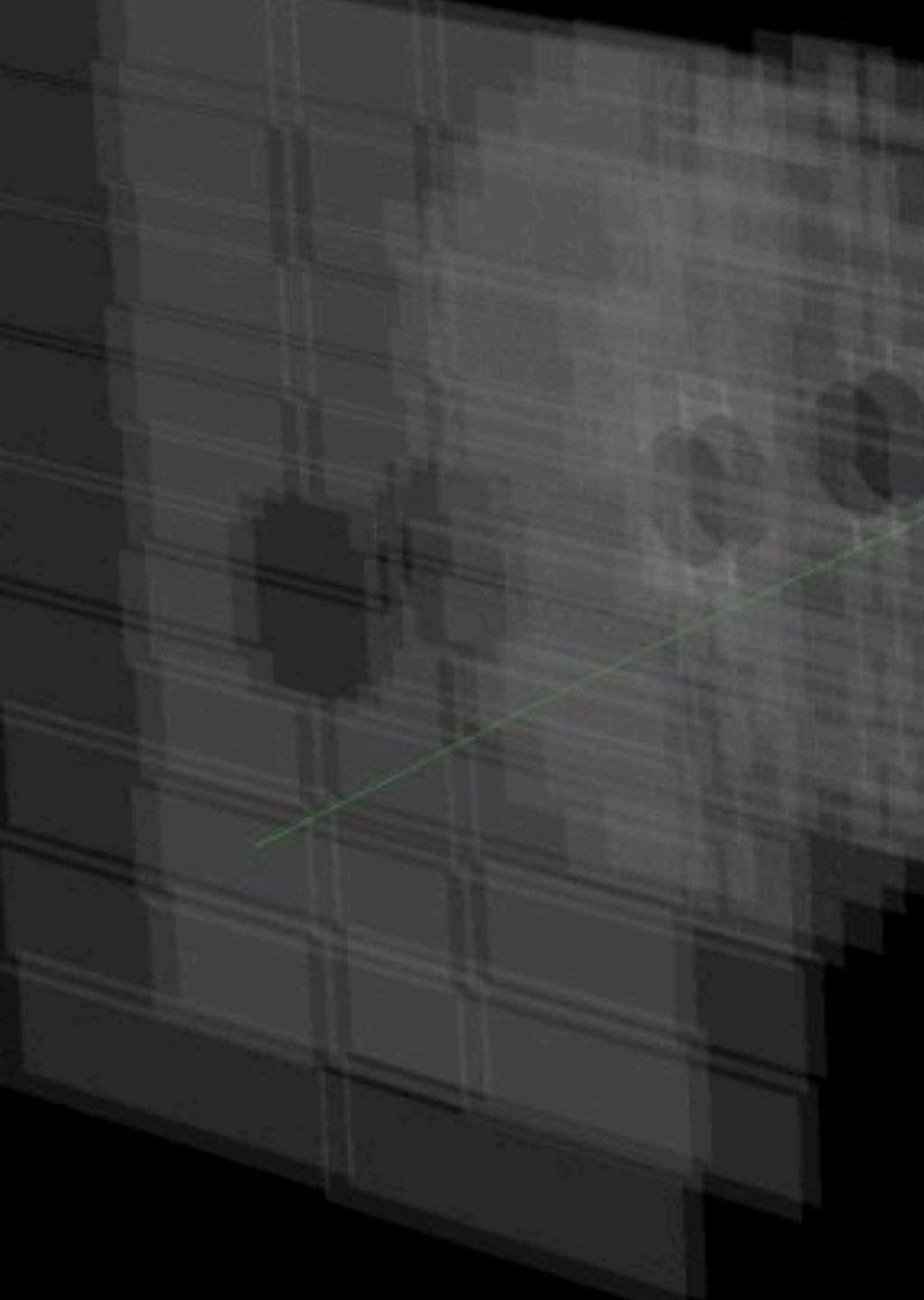
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- More ${}^3\text{He}$ differential results expected when exploiting the whole Run-2 data samples
- Exponential decrease vs A with different slopes
- Penalty factor = yield reduction for every extra nucleon: 942 \pm 107, 635 \pm 90, 359 \pm 41

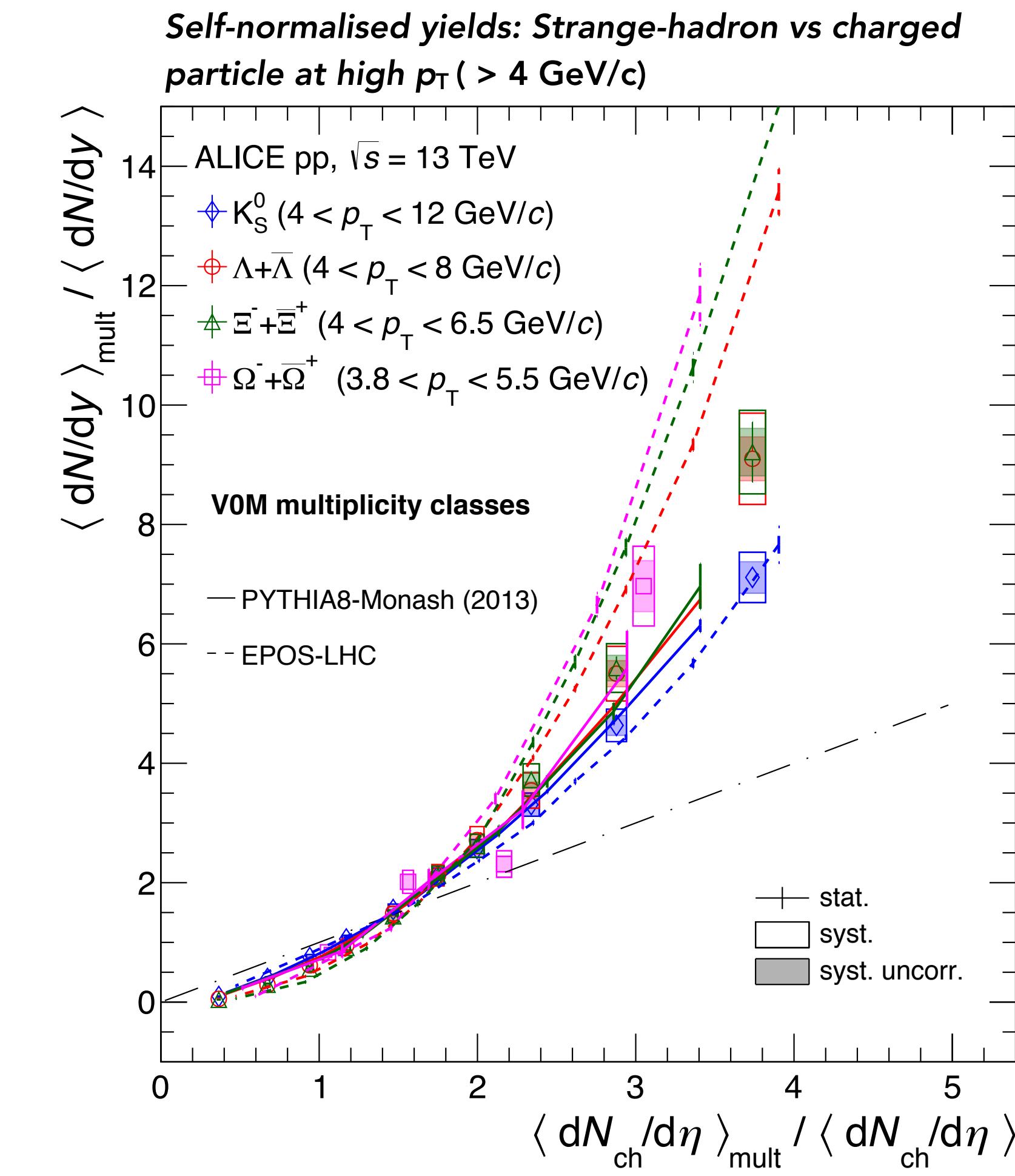
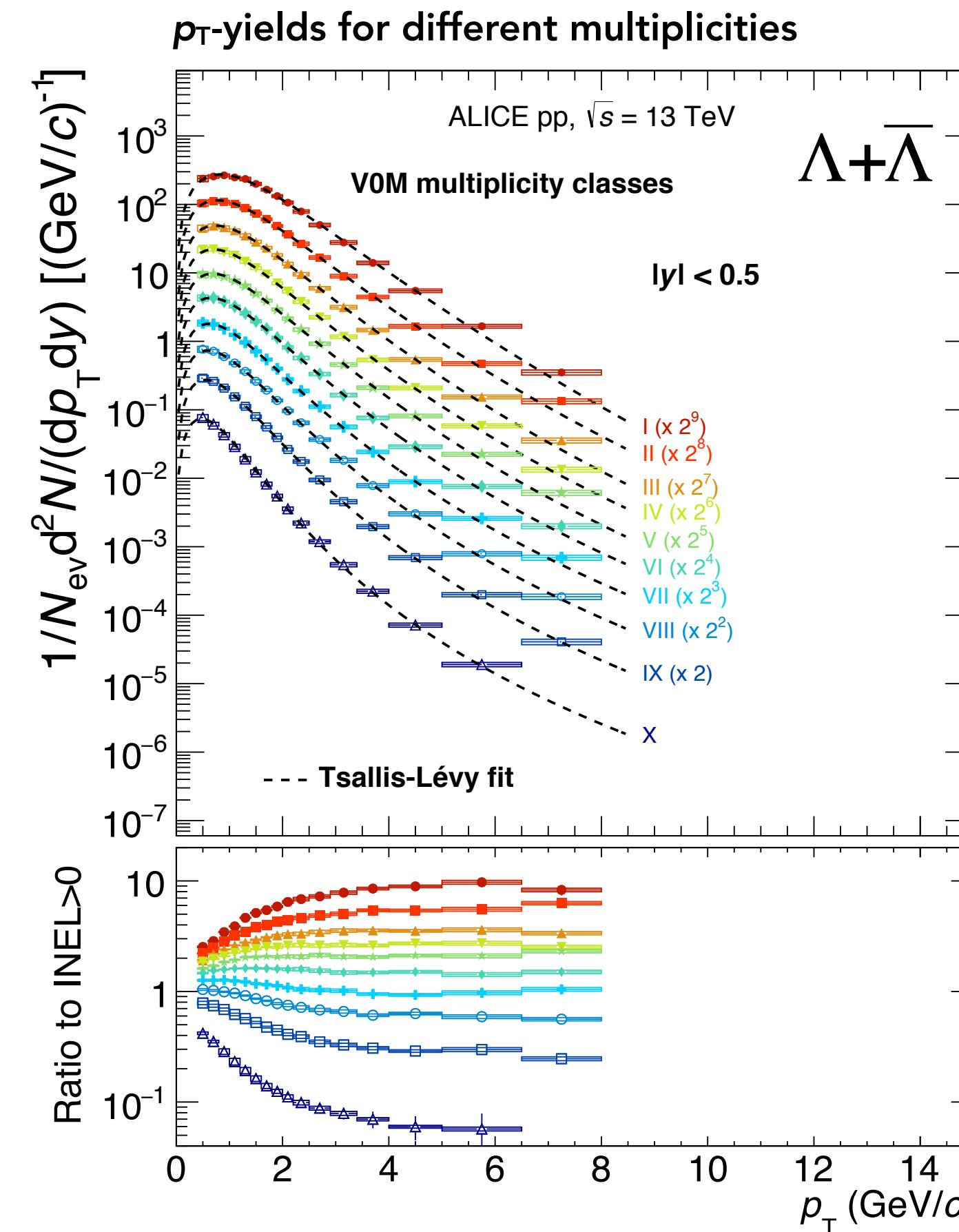
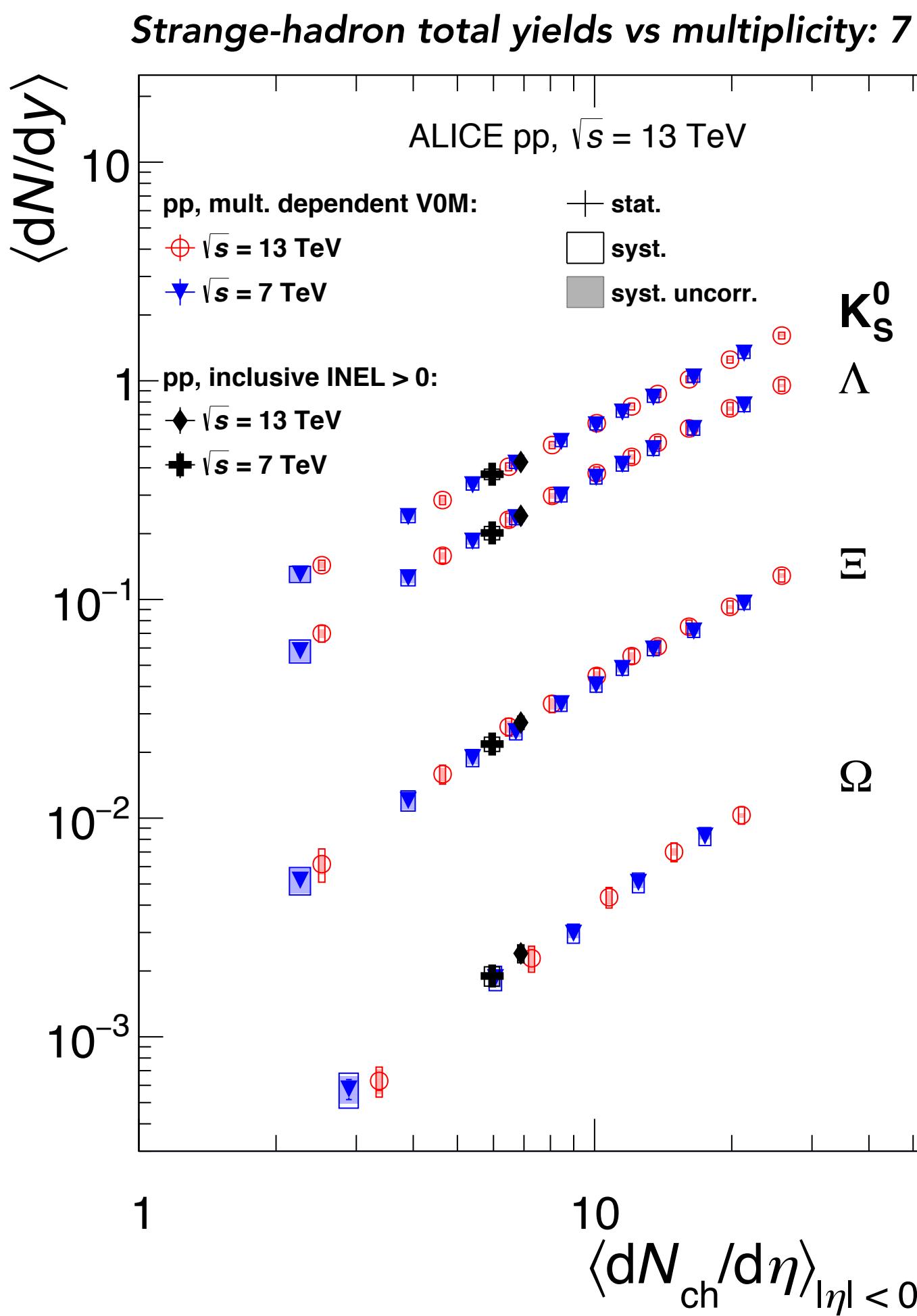


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Energy: 13 TeV

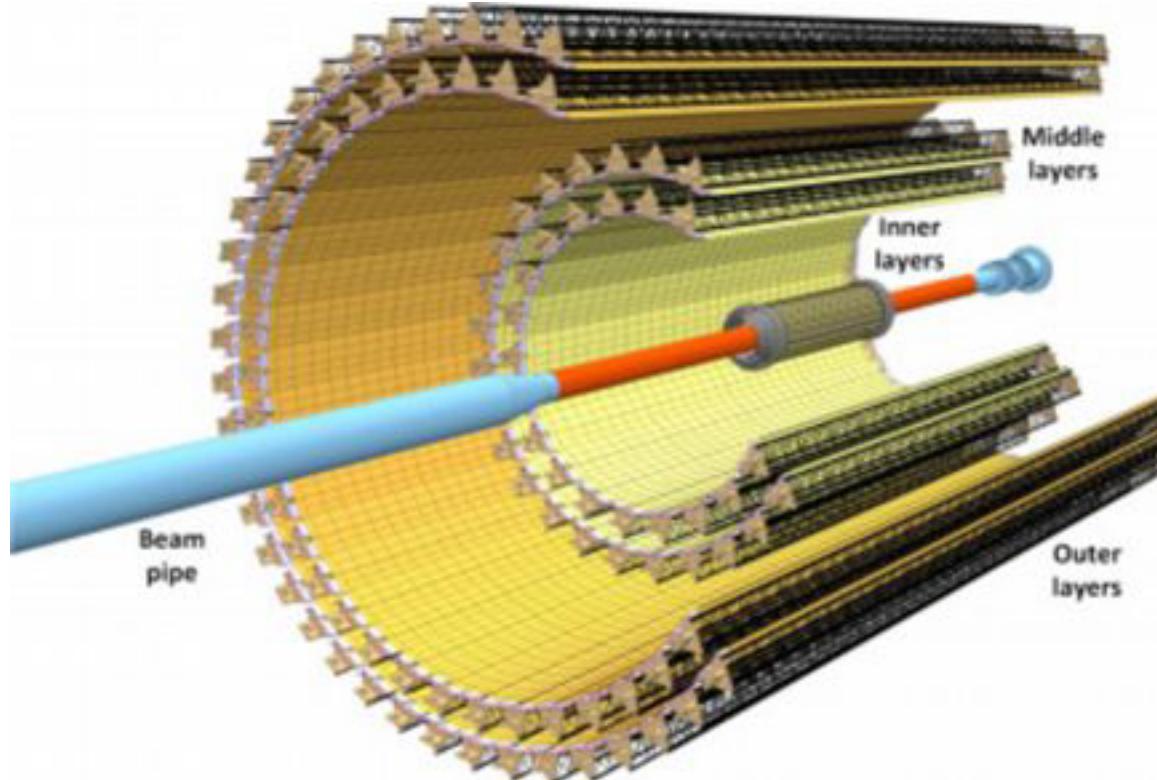
Recent results in p-p collisions



- The p_T spectra harden with increasing multiplicity
- At high- p_T , strange hadron yields increase (non-linearly) faster than charged particle vs multiplicity
- **Strangeness-content driven by multiplicity, not collision energy**

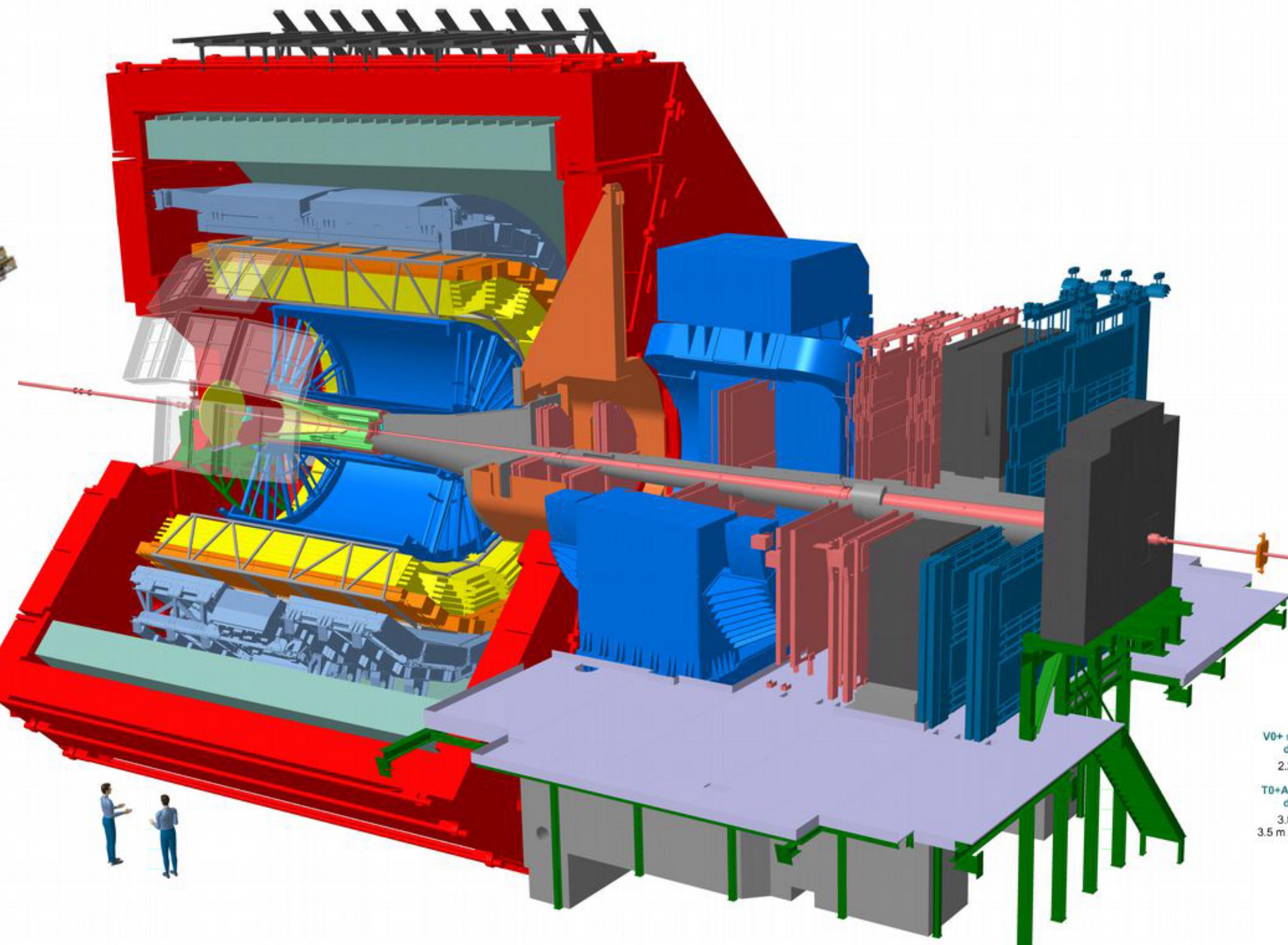
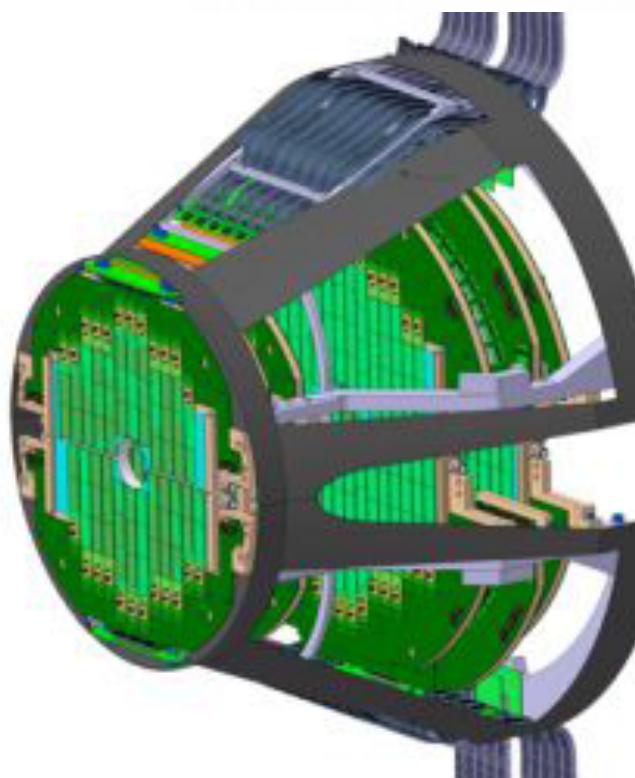
Operation at high interaction rates (50 kHz for Pb-Pb collisions, Run 2 was 8kHz) and continuous (i.e. untriggered) read-out for core detectors

Inner Tracking System



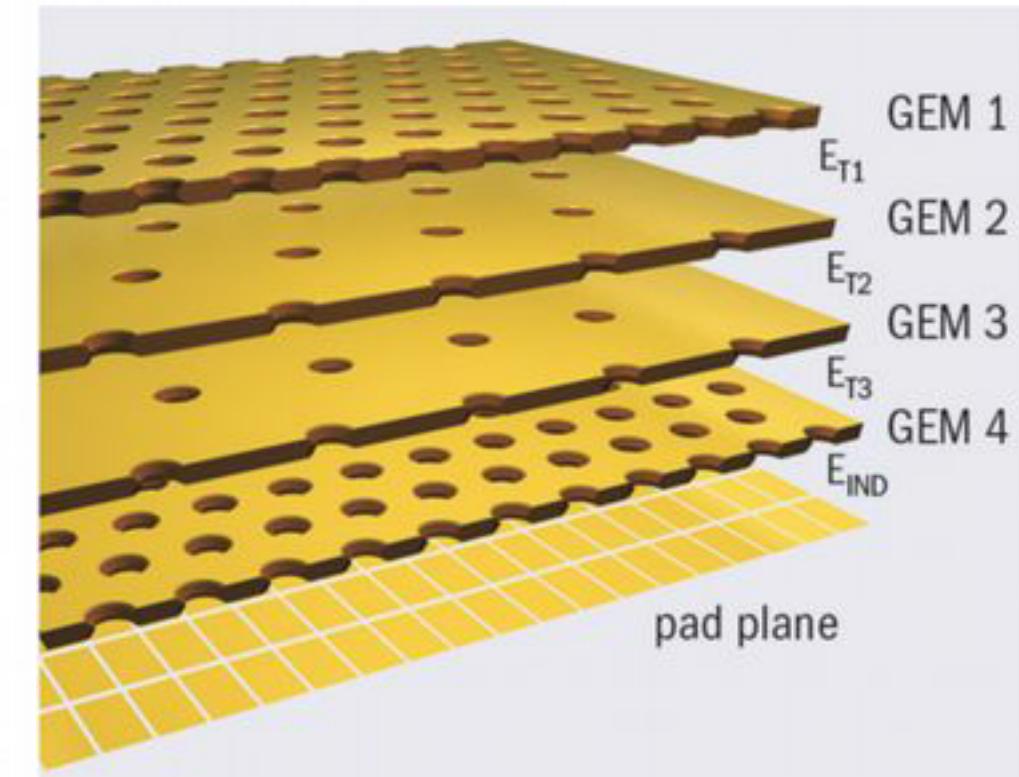
Both based on Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors

Muon Forward Tracker



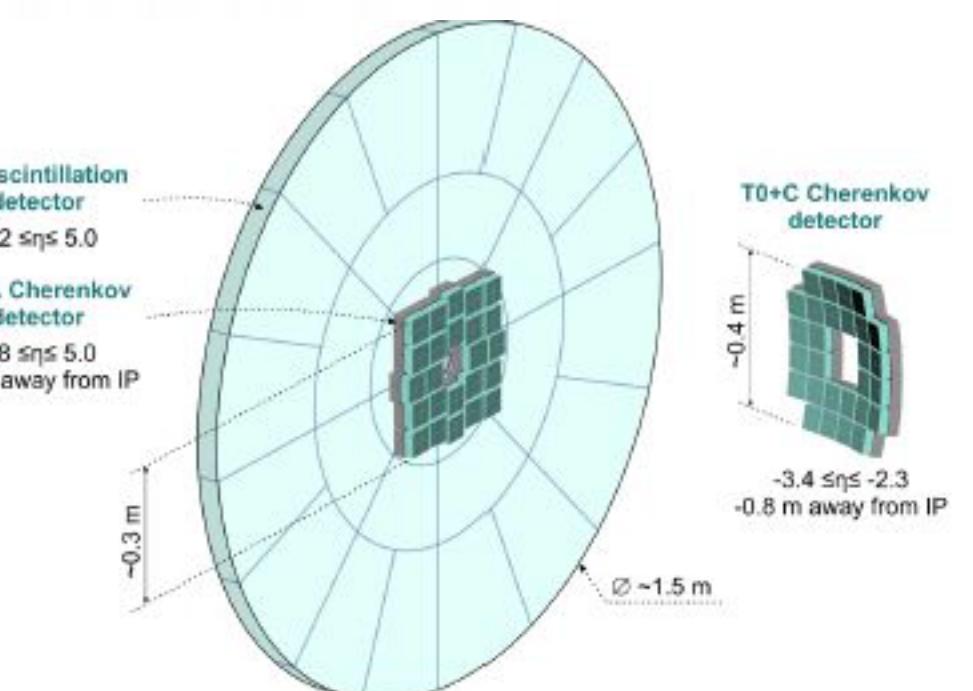
- + improved readout for calorimeters, TOF, TRD, Muon arm, ZDC
- + new Central trigger Processor
- + new DAQ and Online-Offline System (O^2)

Time Projection Chamber

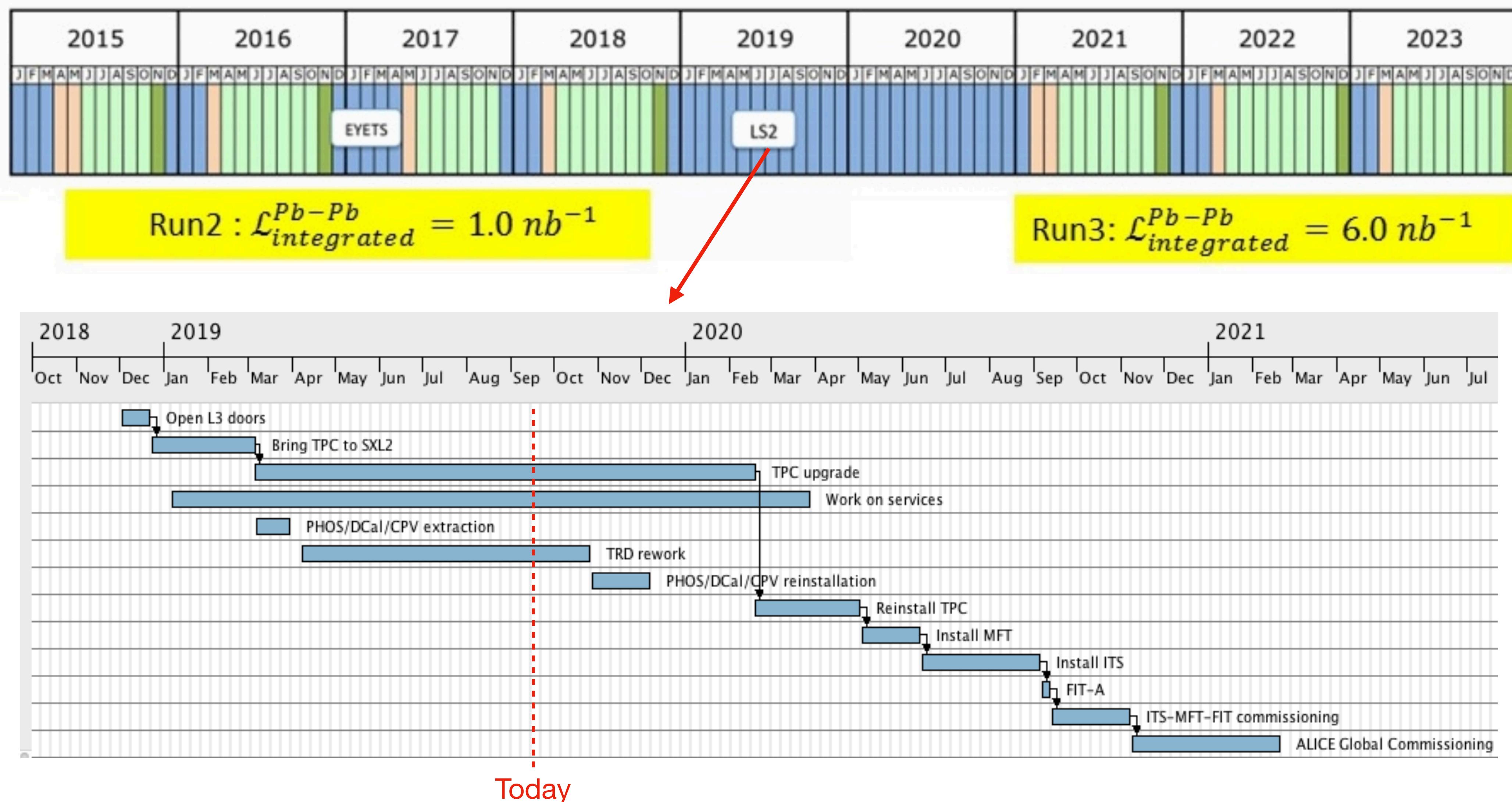


GEM readout chambers

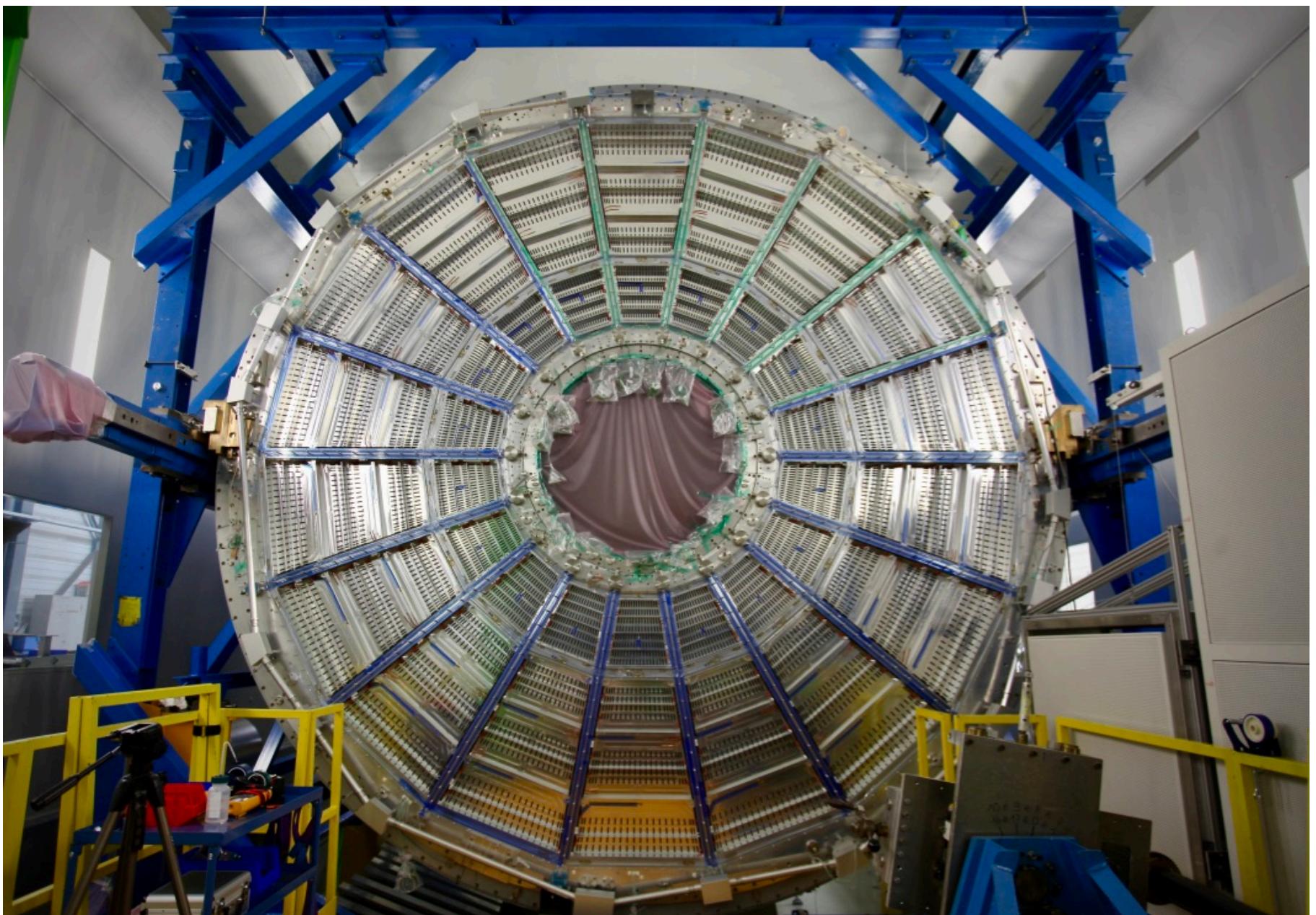
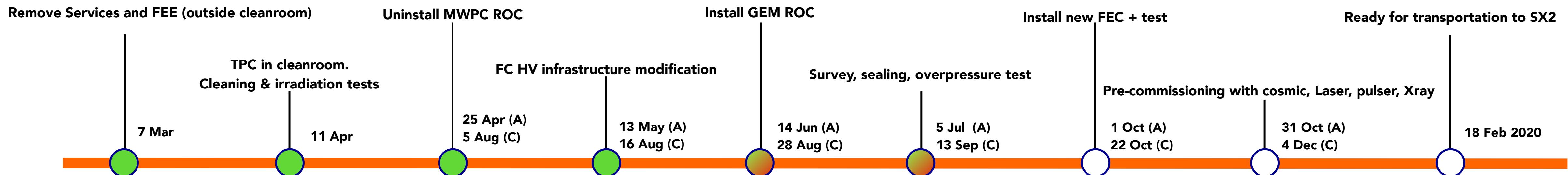
Forward Interaction Trigger



To replace the V0 and T0 detector

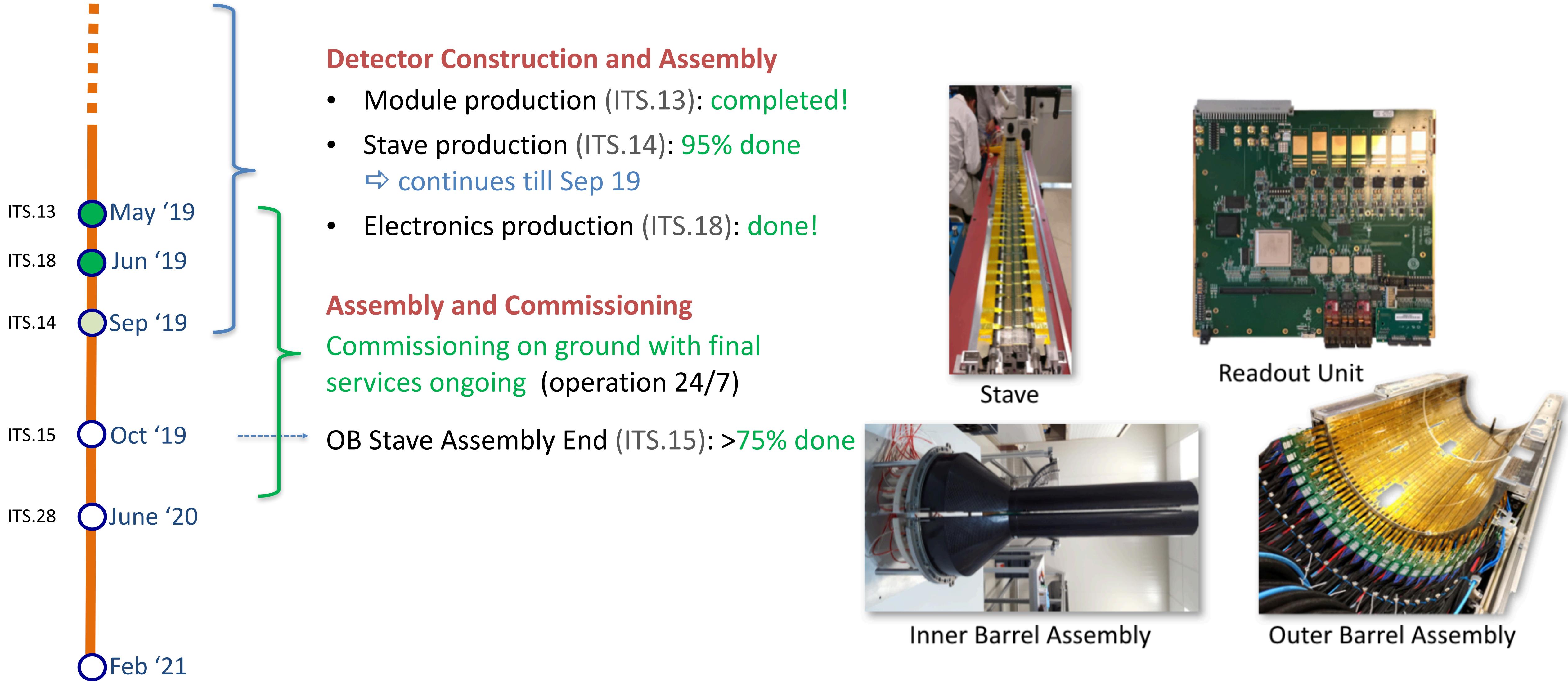


- ALICE is getting ready for the Run-3

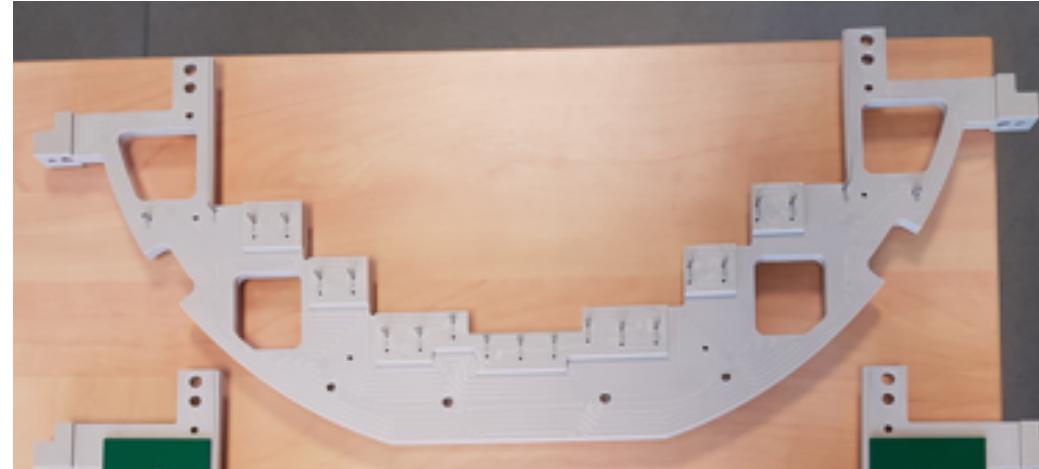


- Chamber uninstallation on both sides completed successfully

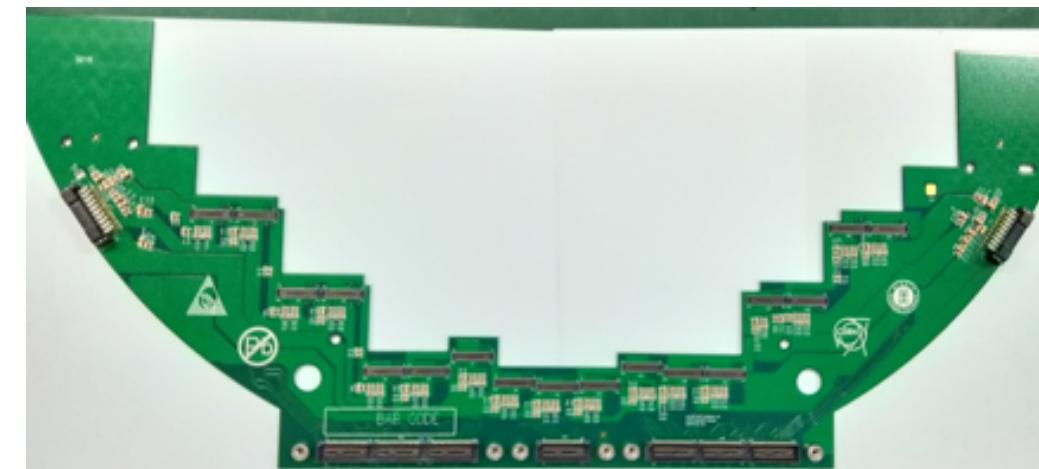
- GEM installation on the A-side completed successfully
- C-side installation to be completed soon



MFT disk production process:



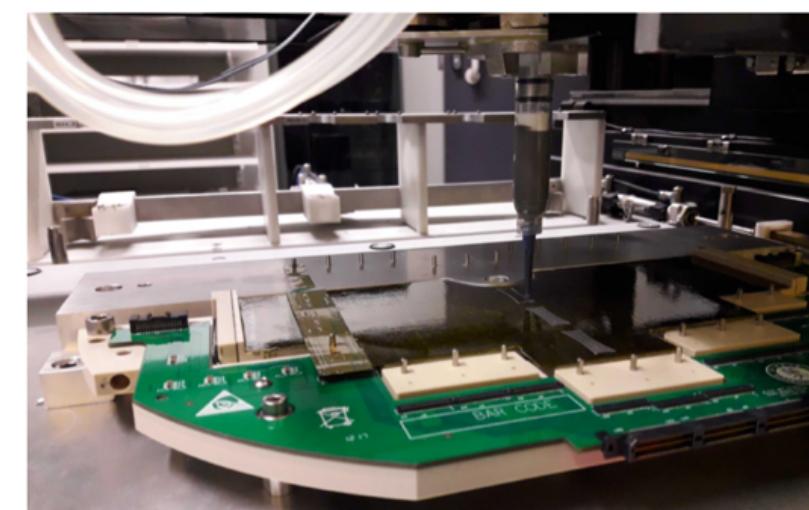
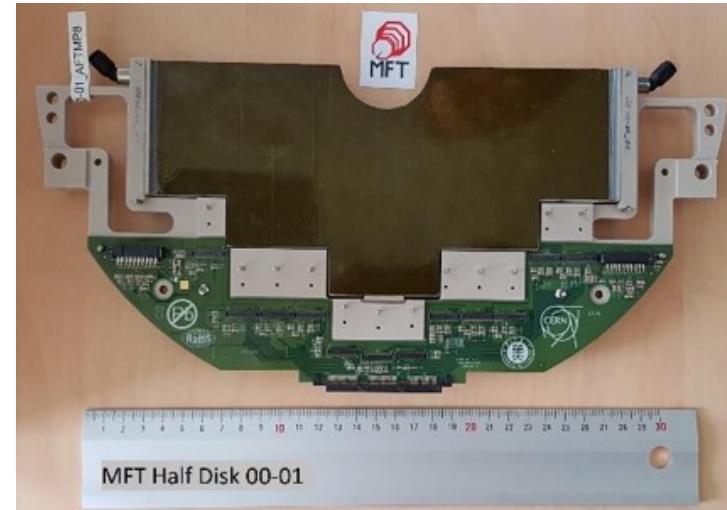
Disk support: production completed



Heat exchanger: production completed

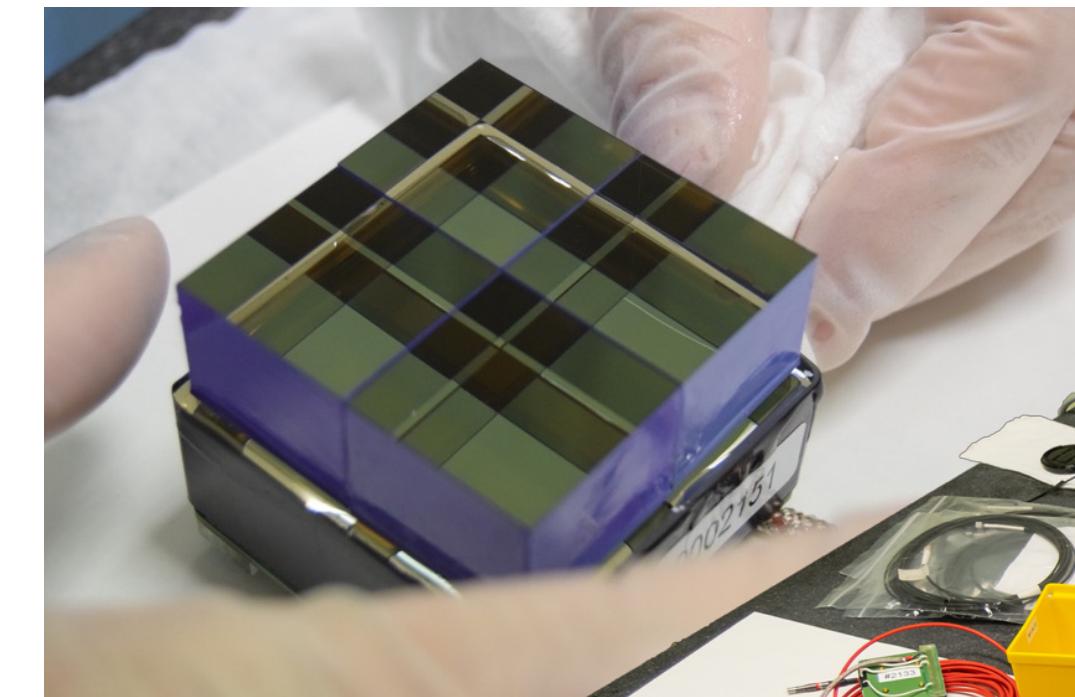


Disk PCB: production completed



Gluing ladders on disk: ongoing

FIT: New trigger setup to benefit from the LHC increasing luminosity



FT0C assembly at CERN in the Departmental Silicon Facility
July 2019



- FT0C array is now fully assembled, tested, and ready for integration with MFT



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**Letter of Intent
for an
ALICE ITS Upgrade in LS3**

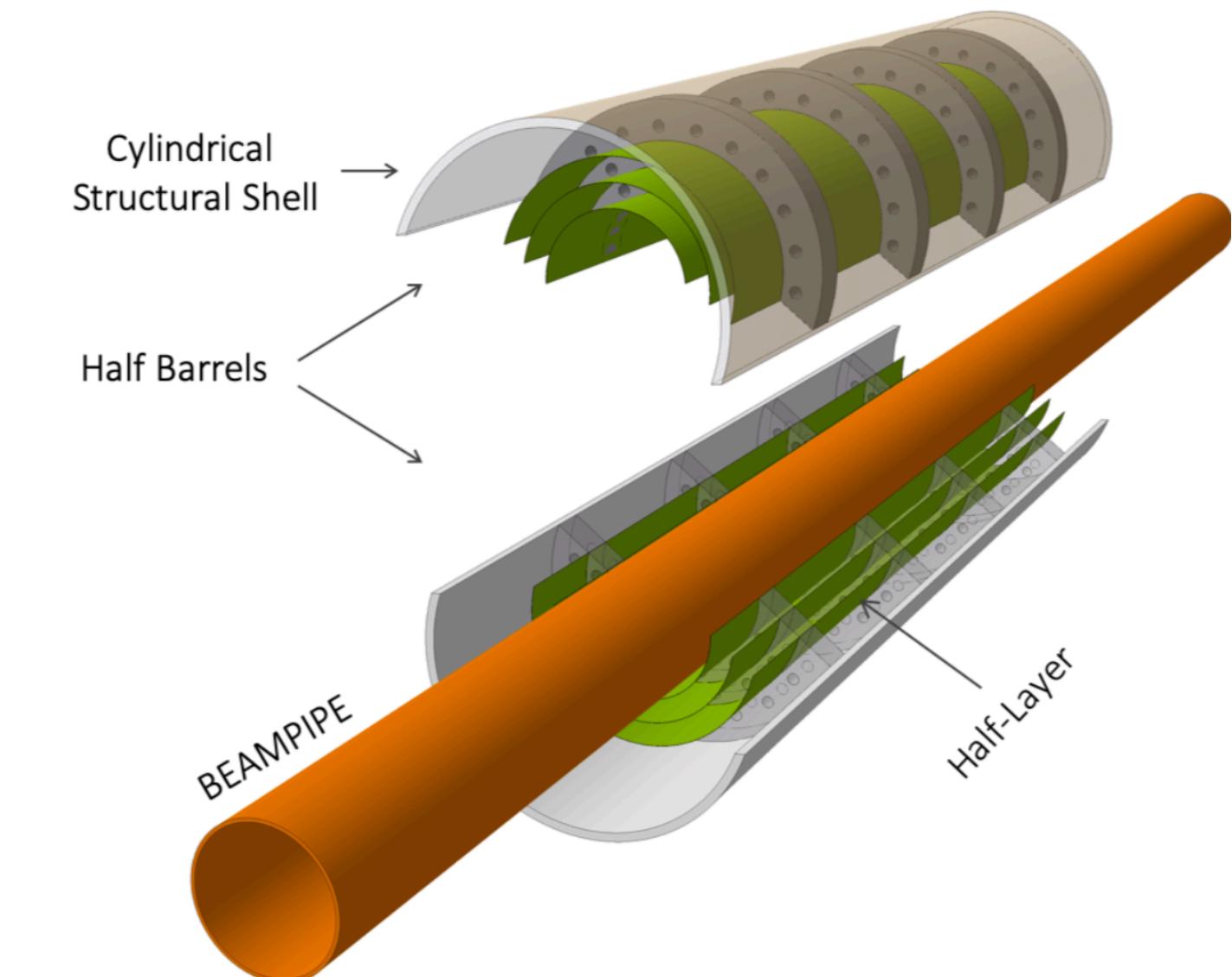
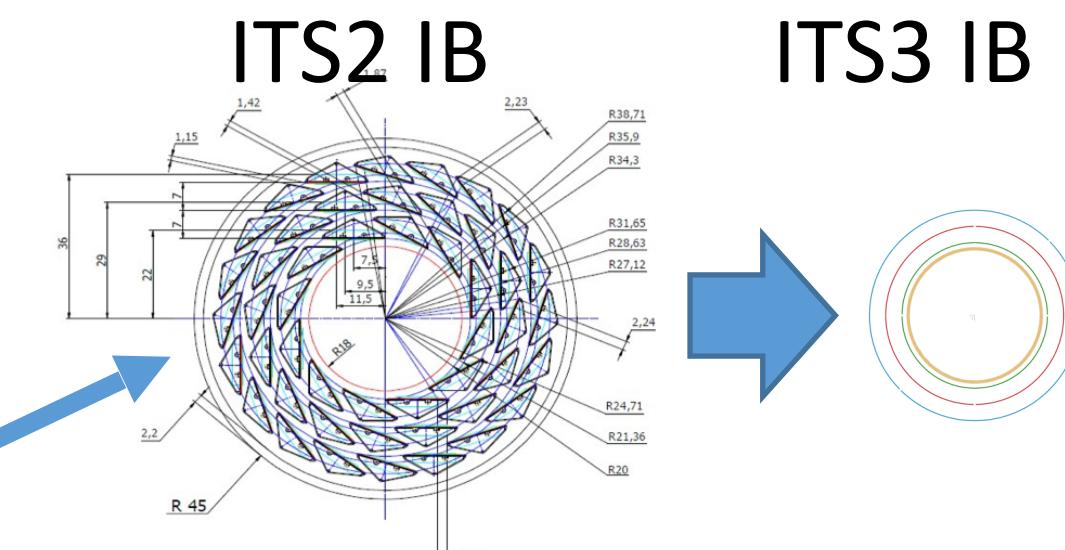
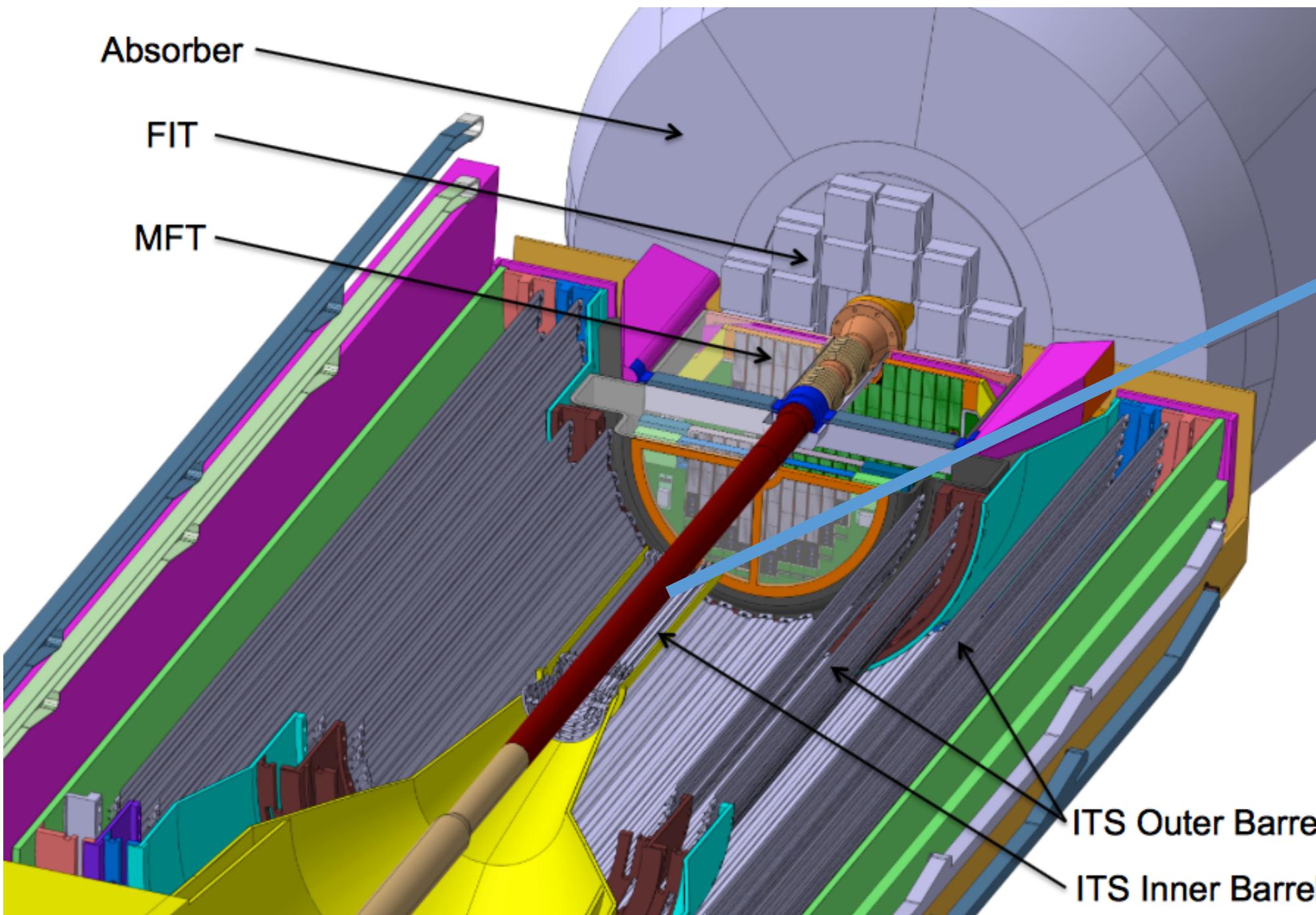
ALICE Collaboration, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

Abstract

Recent innovations in the field of silicon imaging technology for consumer applications open extraordinary opportunities for new detector concepts, and hence offer strongly improved physics scope. This document presents a proposal for the construction of a novel vertex detector consisting of curved wafer-scale ultra-thin silicon sensors arranged in perfectly cylindrical layers, featuring an unprecedented low material budget of $0.05\% X_0$ per layer, with the innermost layer positioned at only 18 mm radial distance from the interaction point. This new vertex detector is planned to be installed during the LHC LS3 to replace the innermost three layers of the ALICE Inner Tracking System. It will provide a large reduction of the material budget in the region close to the interaction point and a large improvement of the tracking precision and efficiency at low transverse momentum. The combination of these two improvements will lead to a significant advancement in the measurement of low momentum charm and beauty hadrons and low-mass dielectrons in heavy-ion collisions at the LHC, which are among the main objectives of the ALICE physics programme in the next decade.

Geneva, Switzerland
September 8, 2019



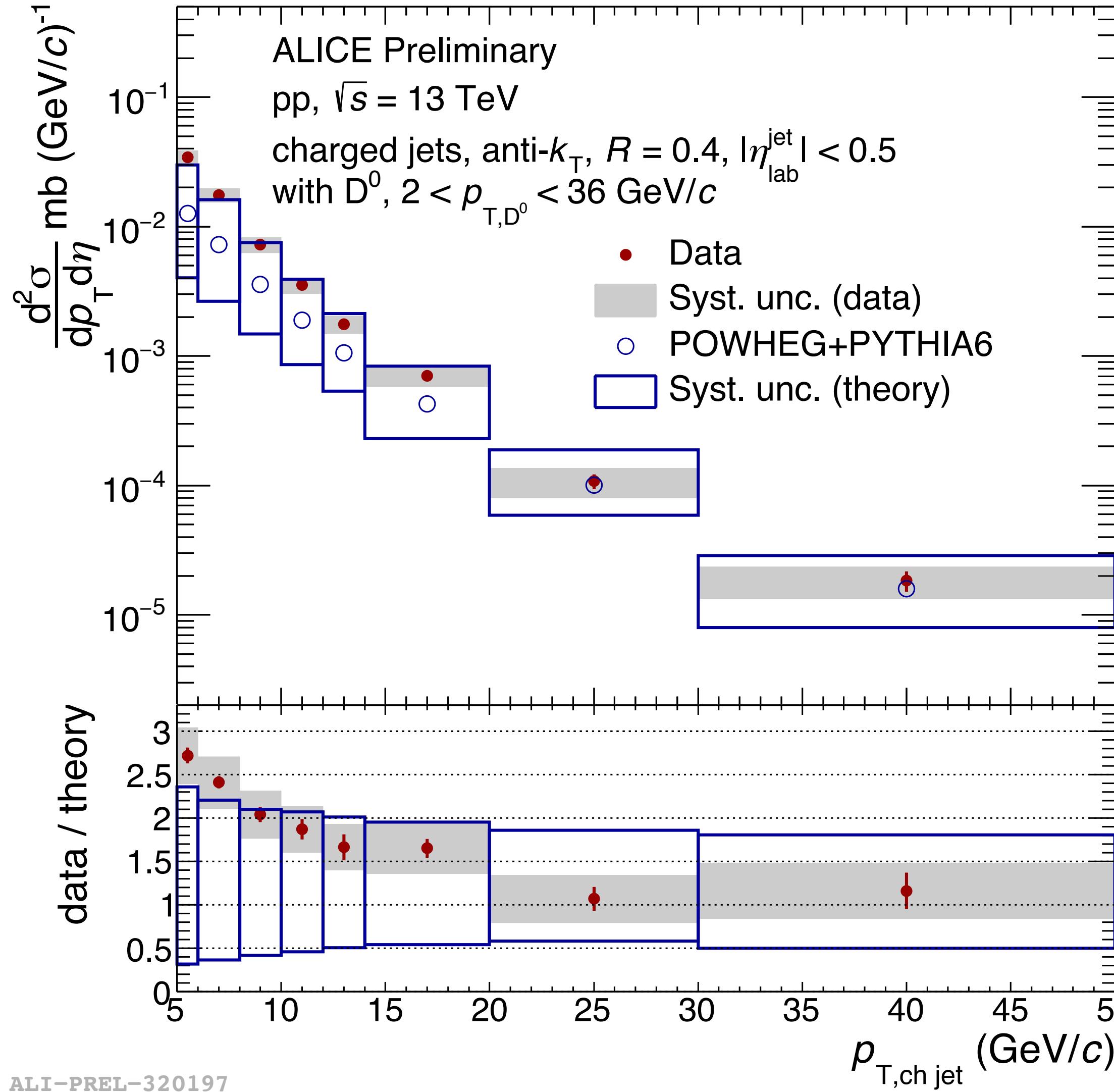


- Strong benefit for low-mass dielectron measurement (QGP radiation) and low- p_T heavy flavour (QGP transport coefficients and hadronisation dynamics)
- 3 layers made of $\sim 7 \times 14 \text{ cm}^2$ sensors thinned to $\sim 30 \mu\text{m}$
- No water cooling, minimal support structure in acceptance
- **Total material at $R < 4 \text{ cm}$: $\sim 1.3\% \rightarrow \sim 0.3\%$**
- **Tracking precision improved by a factor ~ 2**

- New results for different observables in different collision systems
 - 2018 Pb-Pb being analysed: new results on charmed baryons and upsilon flow
 - More results in preparation for the next Quark-Matter conference
 - ALICE LS2 activities are progressing on track
 - Plan for a new detector (ITS3) to improve the tracking precision

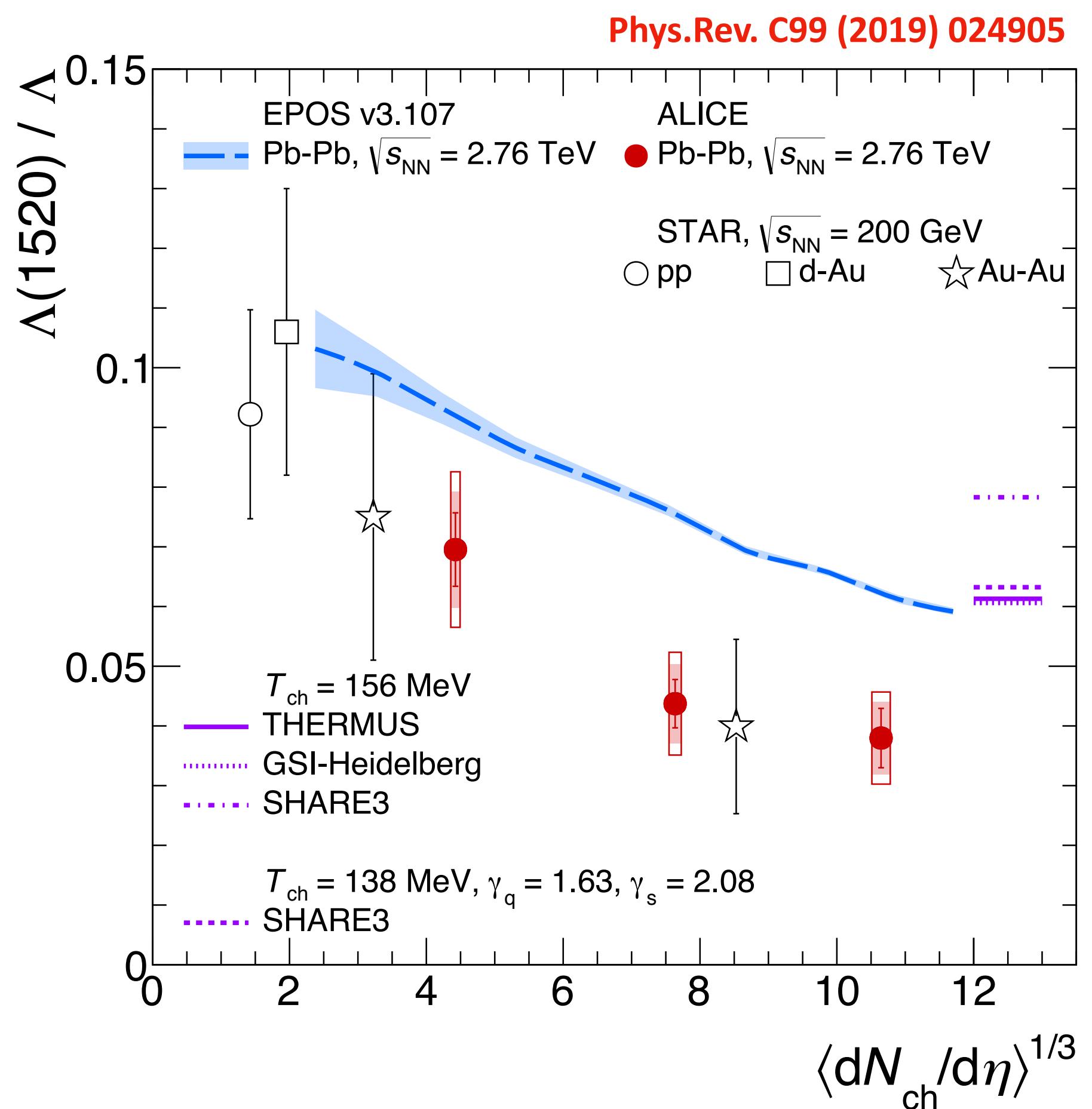
Extra slides

- Measurement of D-tagged jet (containing fully reconstructed D-hadron) is powerful tool to study charm fragmentation

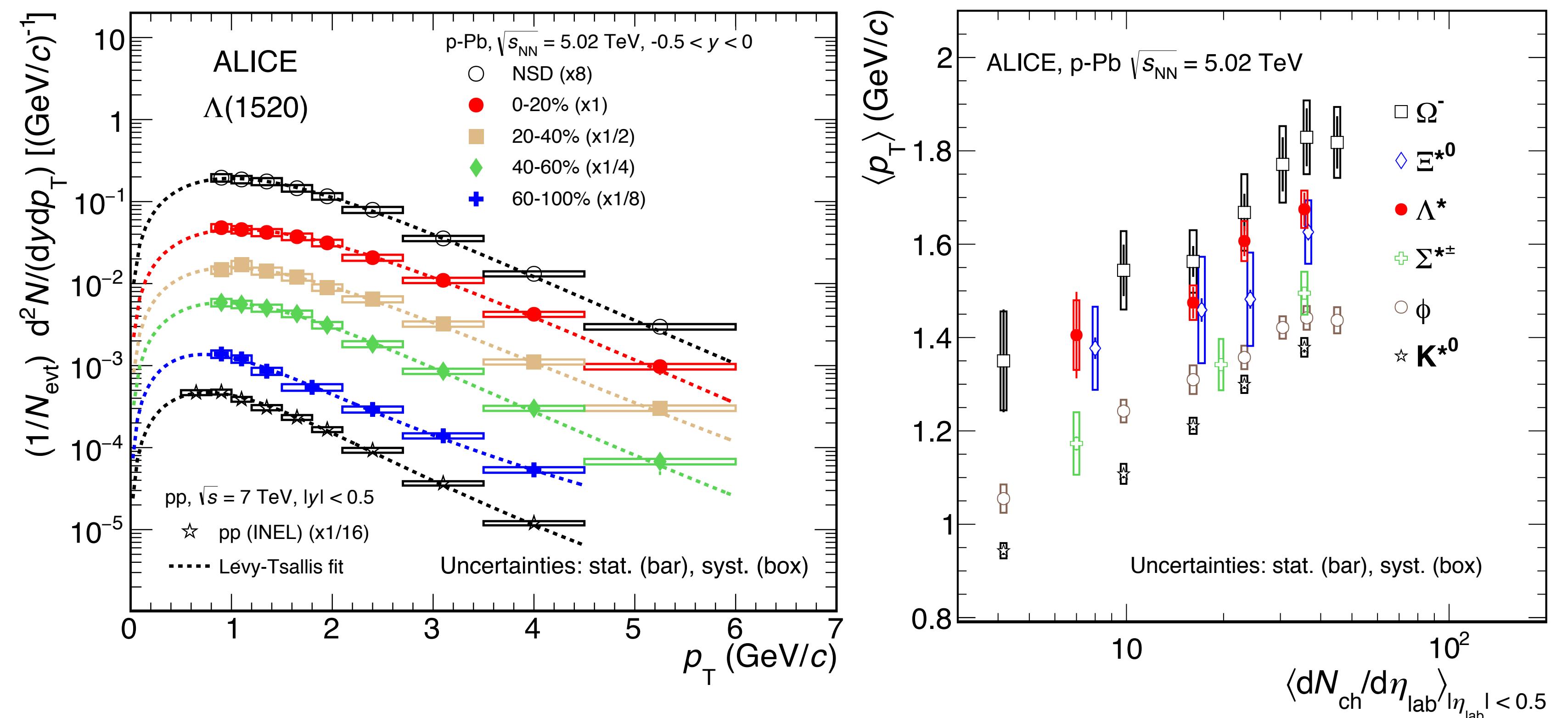


- w.r.t 1905.02510 at 7 TeV
 - $D^0 p_T$ down to 2 GeV/c (3 GeV/c)
 - Jet p_T up to 50 GeV/c (30 GeV/c)
- POWHEG+PYTHIA6 describes reasonably well the differential cross section
 - Better agreement at higher p_T
 - Ongoing work on the momentum fraction carried by the D-hadrons.

- Λ^*/Λ is suppressed in central Pb-Pb collisions with respect to peripheral ones
 - The suppression is larger than the predictions
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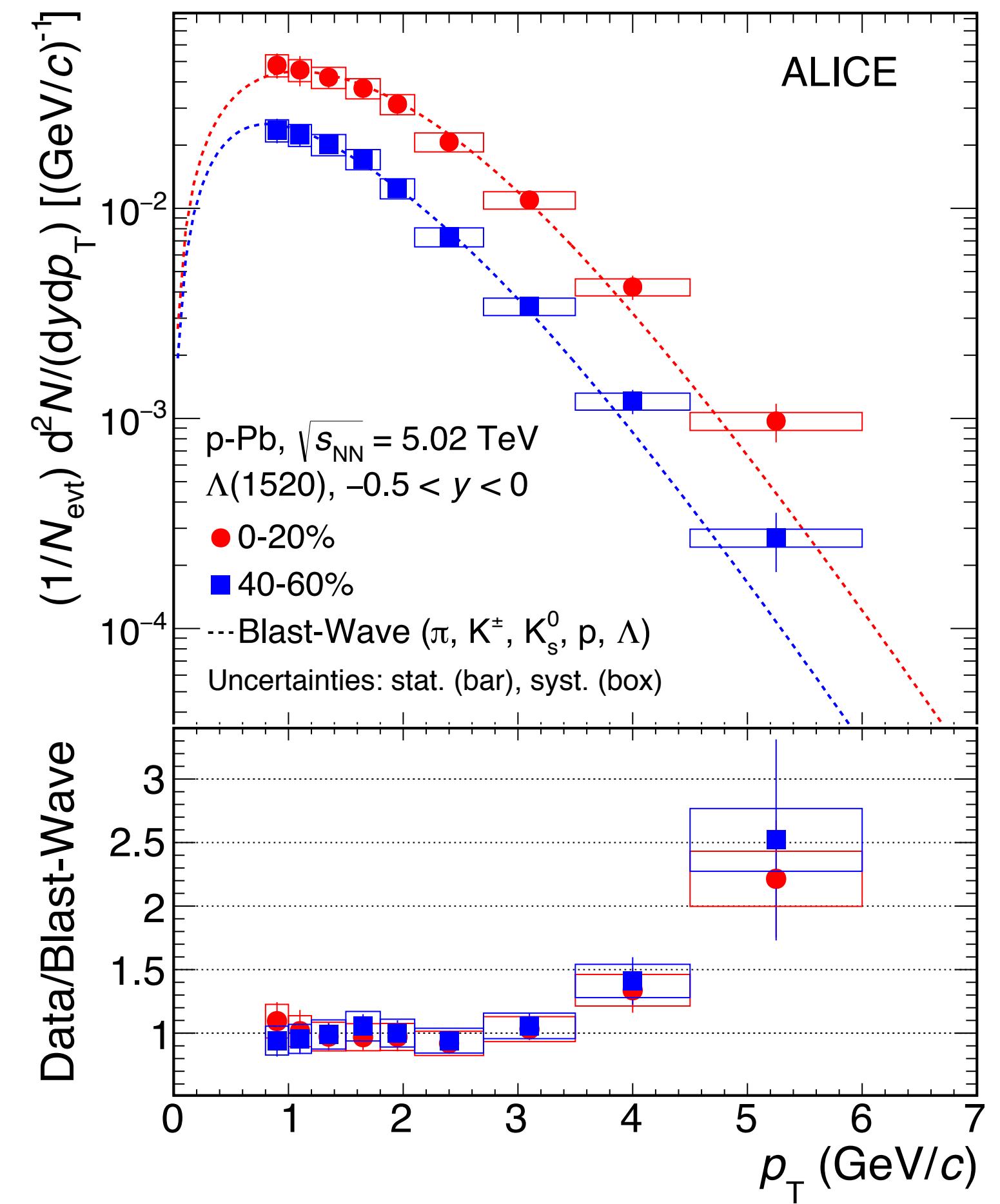
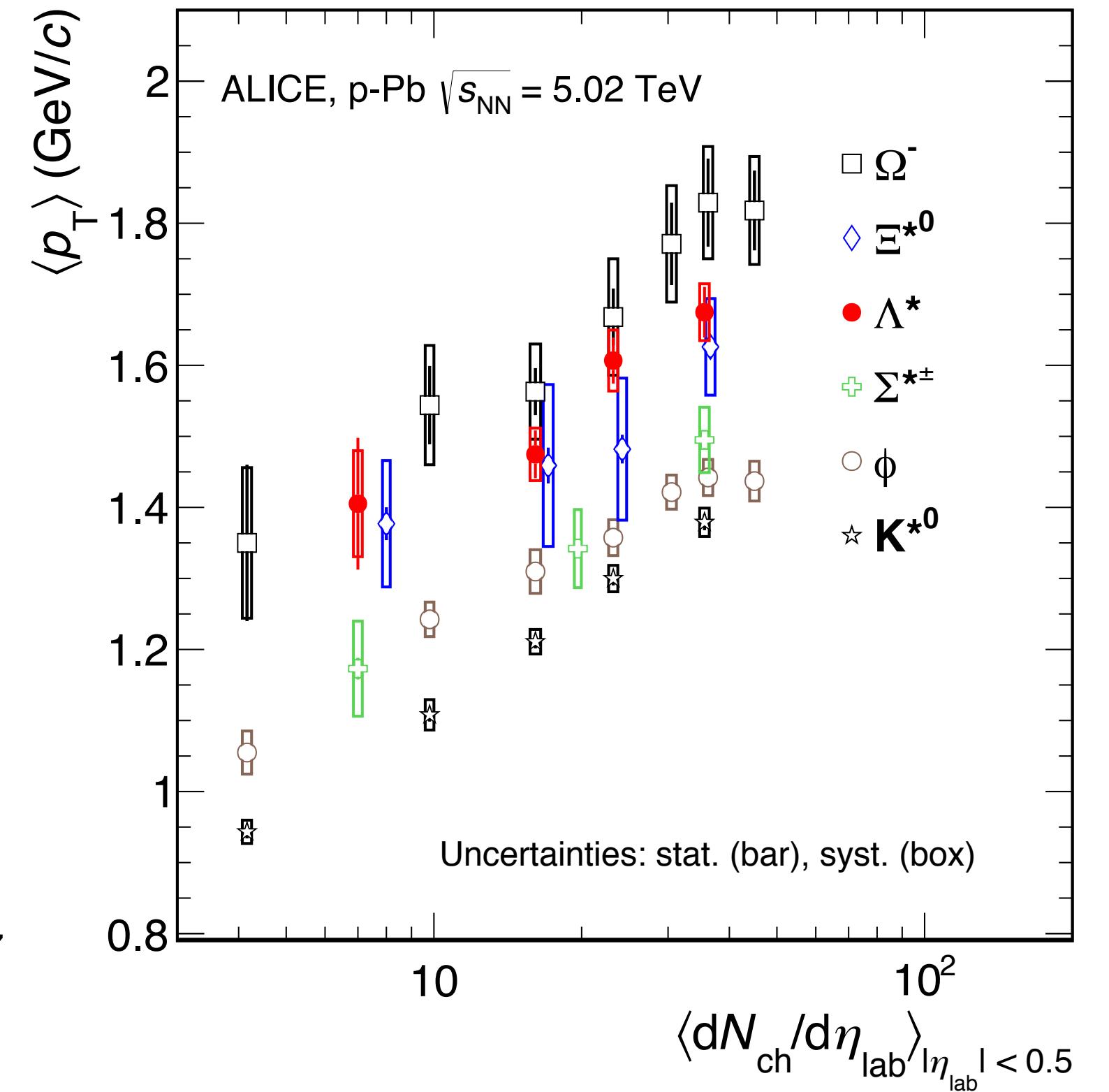
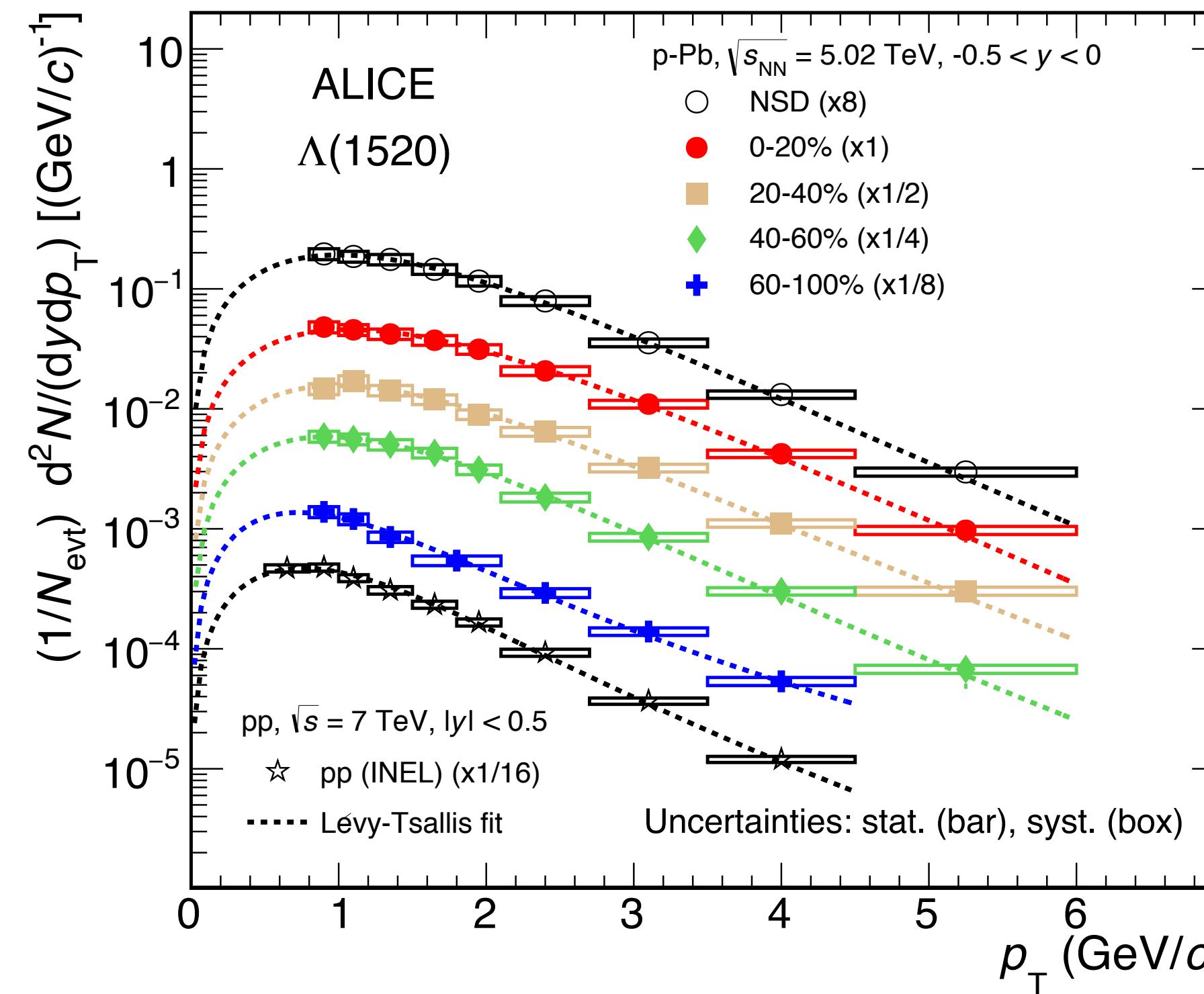


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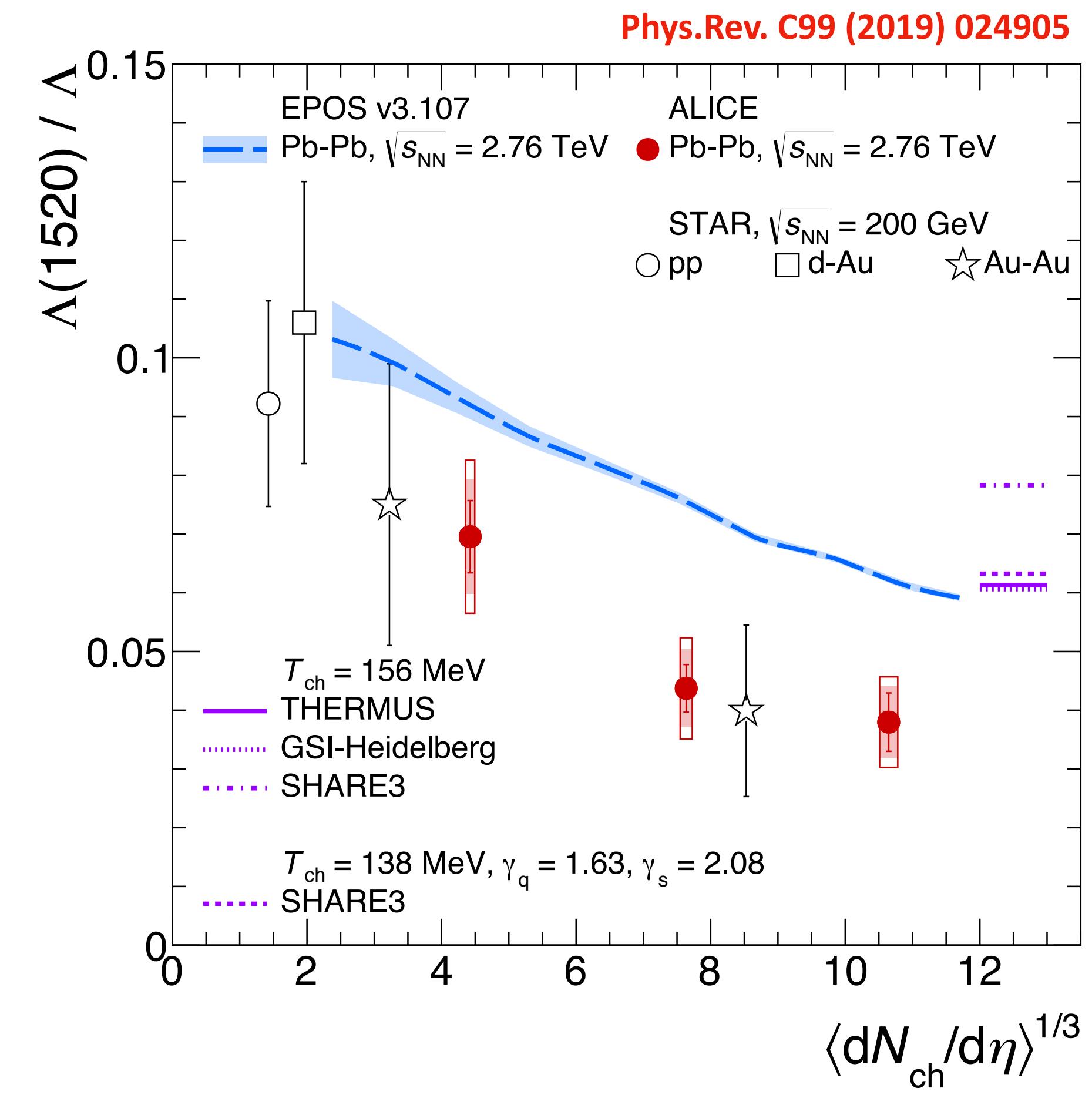
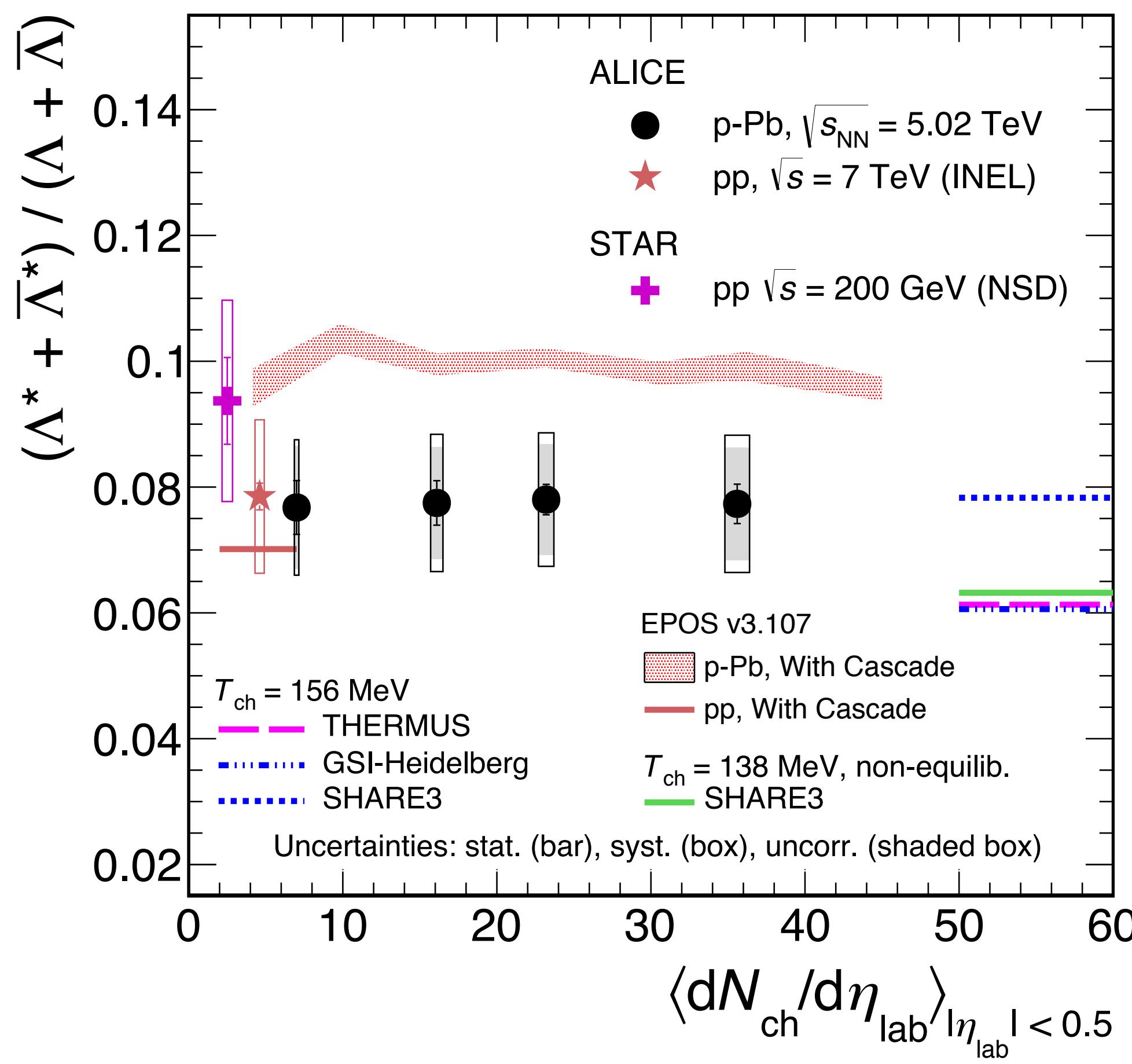
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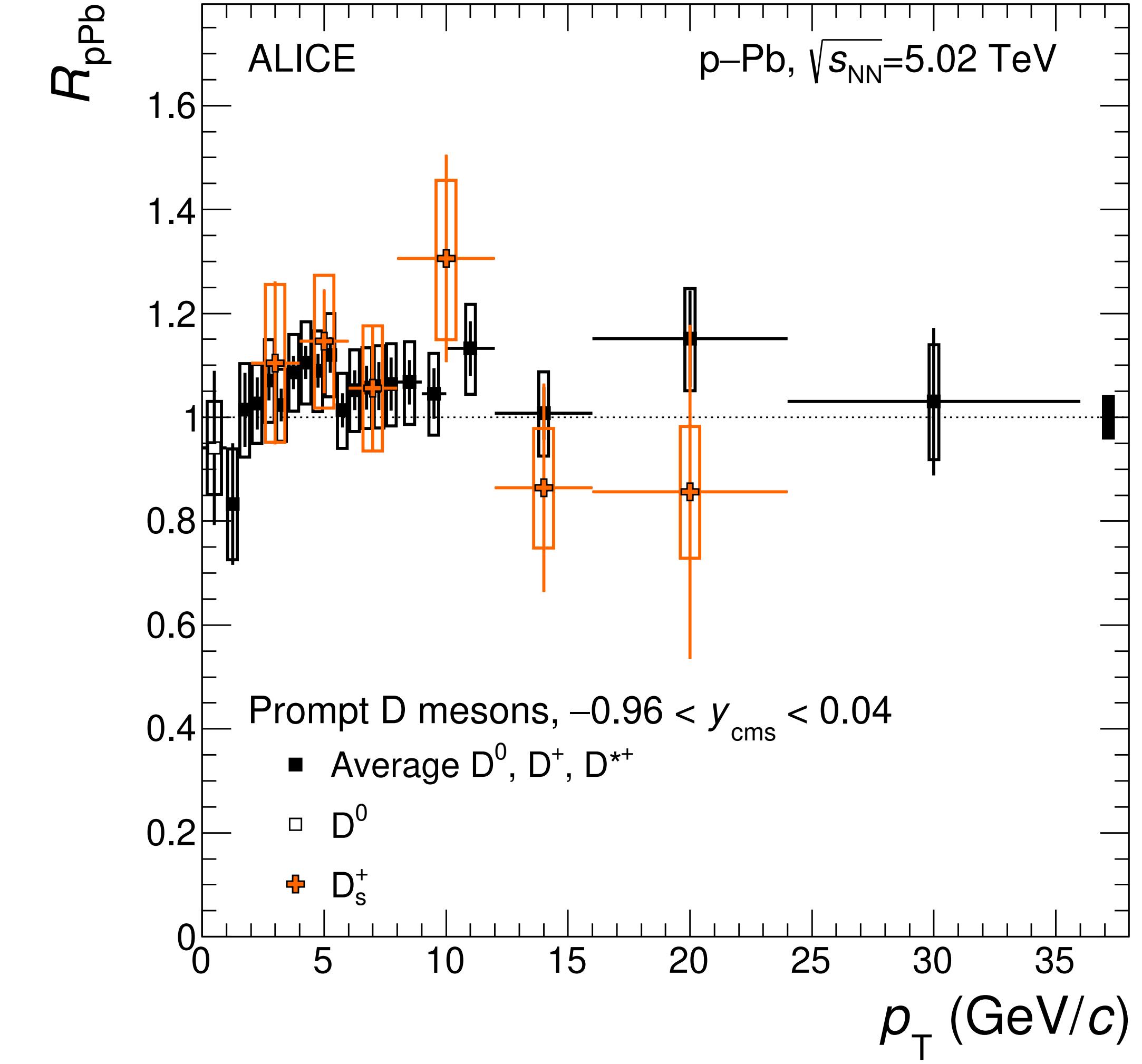
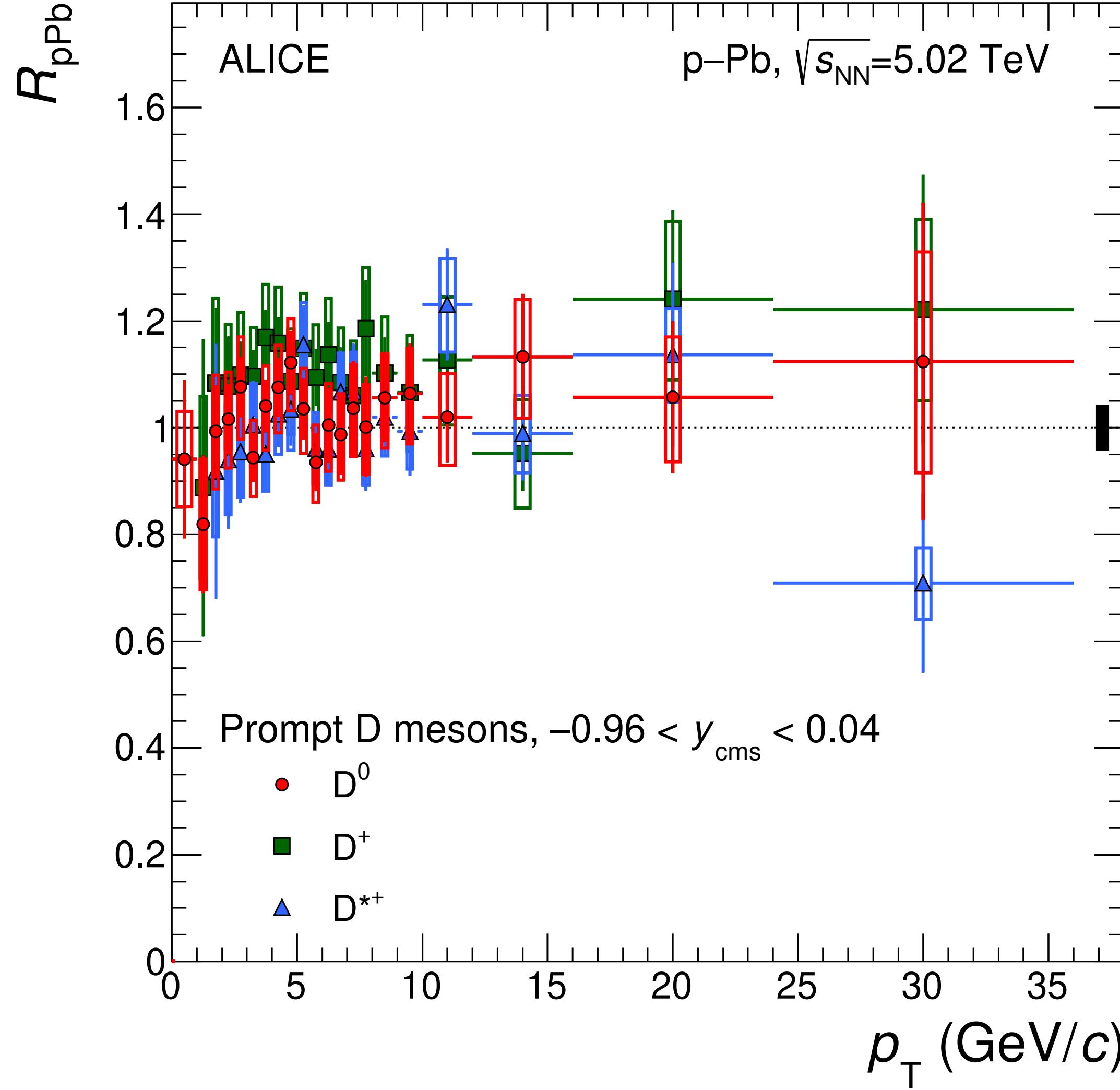


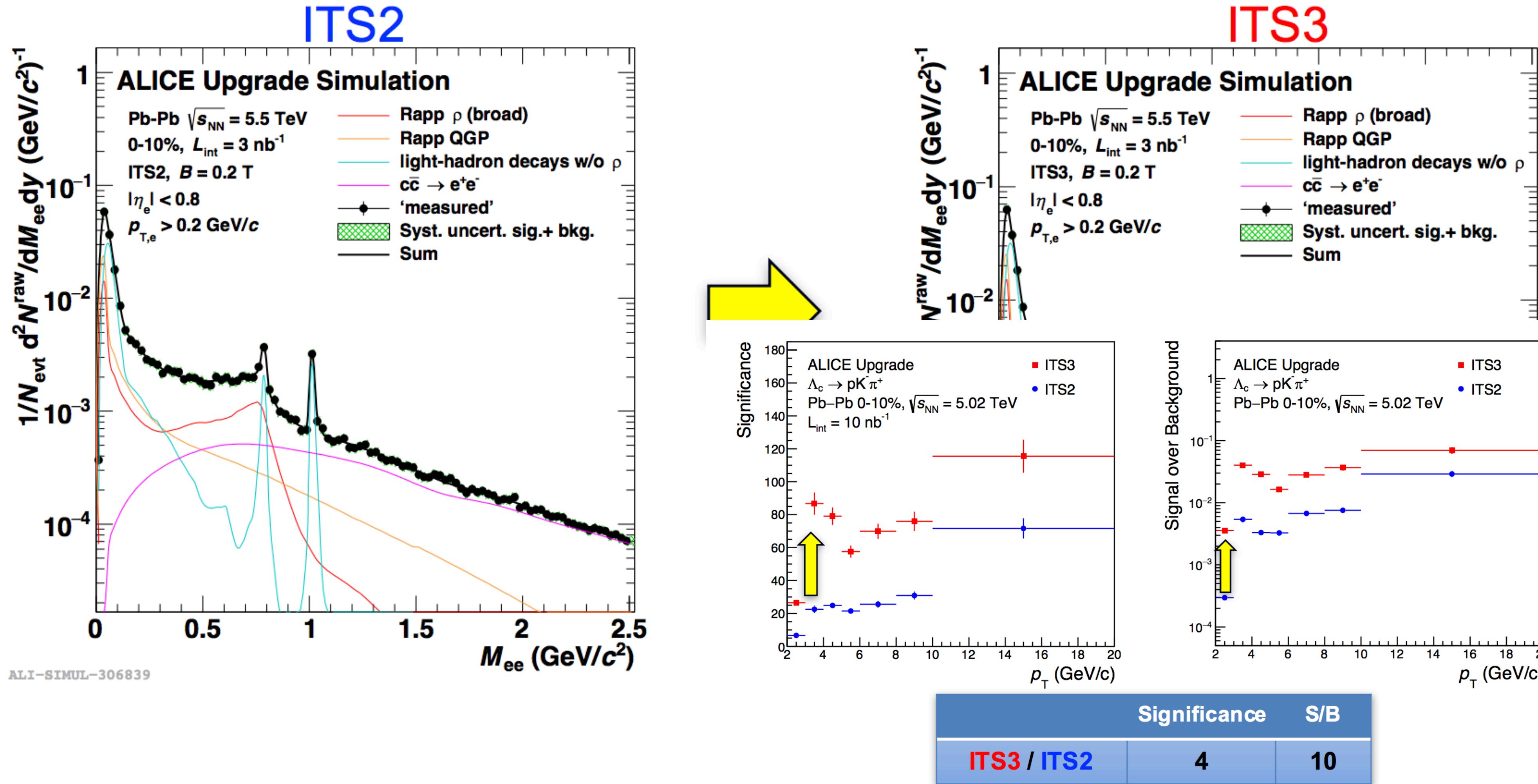
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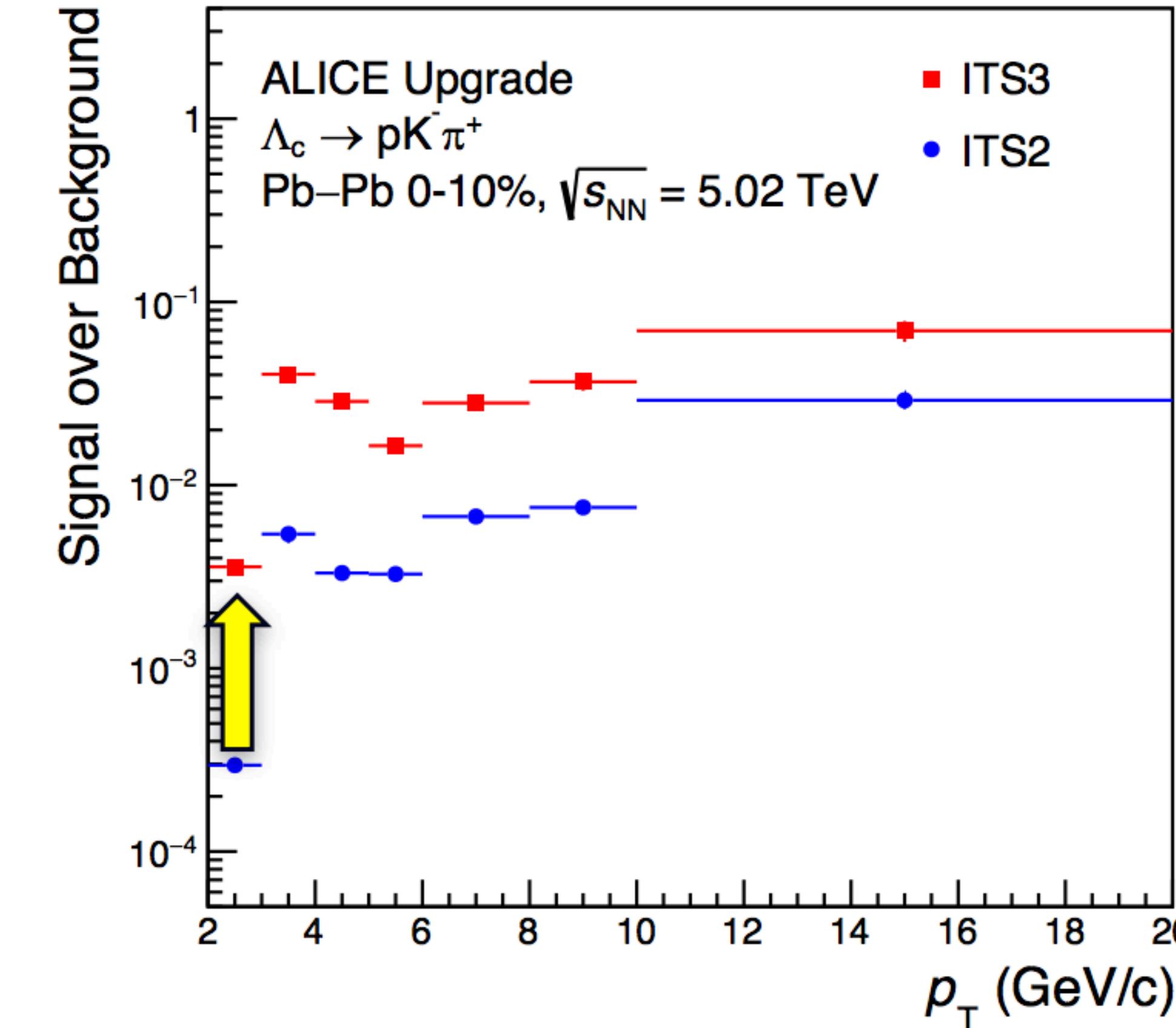
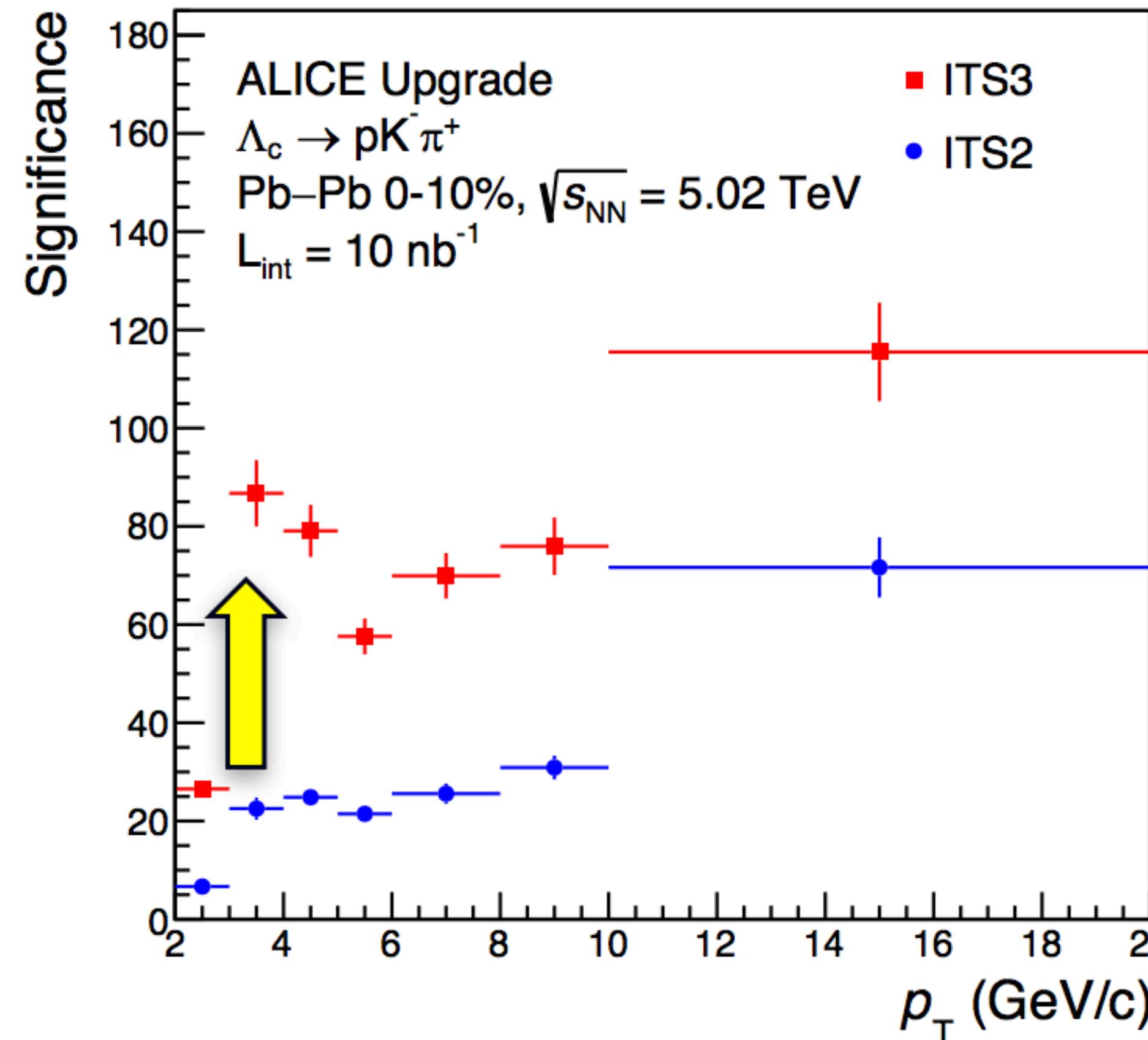
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