

Prompt and non-prompt D_s^+ production in pp and Pb–Pb with ALICE

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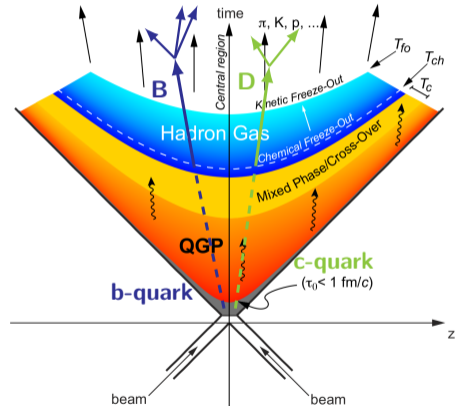
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Heavy flavours in pp and Pb–Pb collisions

- ▶ Large masses of **charm** and **beauty quarks** → produced in hadronic collisions from **hard parton-scattering** processes
- ▶ **proton-proton collisions**
 - test of perturbative-QCD calculations
 - insights on **heavy-flavour hadronisation**
 - reference for p-Pb and Pb–Pb measurements
- ▶ **Pb–Pb collisions**
 - heavy quarks **produced before quark-gluon plasma (QGP) formation**
 - experience the full evolution of the system
 - strongly interacting with the medium



A Large Ion Collider Experiment

Time Projection Chamber

- Track reconstruction
- Particle identification (PID) via specific energy loss

Inner Tracking System

- Tracking
- Reconstruction of primary and decay vertices

Time of Flight detector

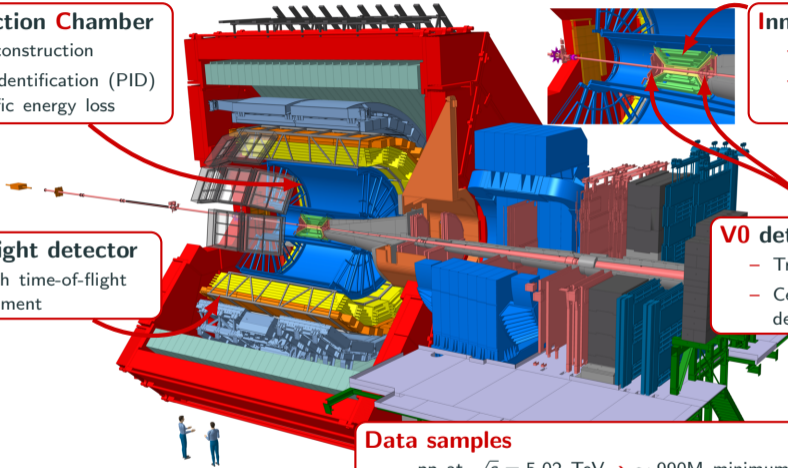
- PID with time-of-flight measurement

V0 detectors

- Trigger
- Centrality and event-plane determination

Data samples

- pp at $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$ TeV \rightarrow ~ 990 M minimum-bias events
- Pb-Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV \rightarrow ~ 100 M central events
 ~ 85 M semicentral events

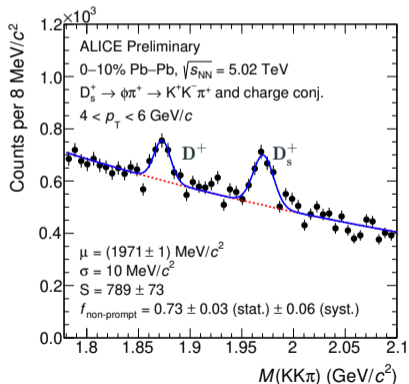


D_s^+ -meson reconstruction

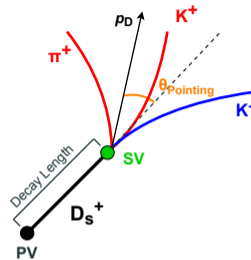
D_s^+ mesons are measured via their **resonant hadronic decay**

Meson	M (GeV/c^2)	$c\tau$ (μm)	Decay	BR (%)
$D_s^+ (c\bar{s})$	~ 1.968	~ 151	$\phi(\rightarrow K^-K^+)\pi^+$	~ 2.24

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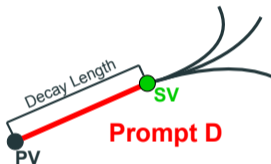
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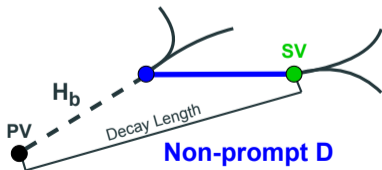
- ▶ Candidates built from **triplets of tracks** at midrapidity ($|\eta| < 0.8$) with proper charge-sign combination
- ▶ To reduce the combinatorial background
 - **particle identification** of decay tracks
 - **geometrical** and **kinematic** selections based on displaced decay-vertex topology
- ▶ **Machine learning** (ML) tools for candidate selection

► D_s^+ mesons

- **Prompt**, from charm-quark hadronisation or excited charm-hadron decays
- **Non-prompt**, from beauty-hadron decays

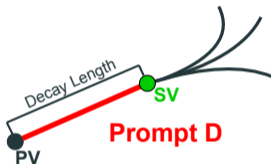


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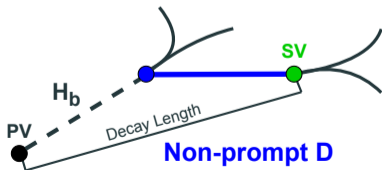
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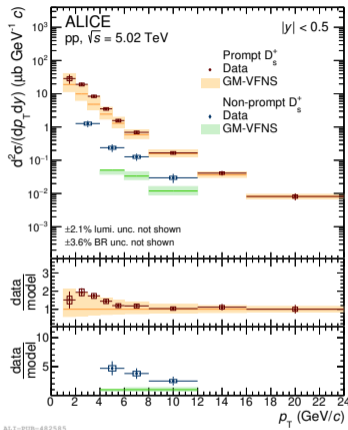
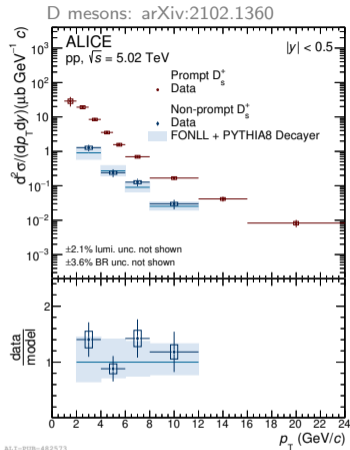
- ▶ **Non-prompt D_s^+ mesons** → B_s^0 -meson production
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- ▶ Possible to **disentangle prompt and non-prompt D_s^+**
 - beauty hadrons have $c\tau \simeq 500 \mu\text{m}$
 - **non-prompt D_s^+ on average more displaced** from the interaction vertex
 - different topology and kinematic features

- ▶ ML to separate prompt D_s^+ mesons, non-prompt D_s^+ mesons and combinatorial background



D_s^+ production in pp collisions at 5 TeV — pQCD calculations



FONLL: M. Cacciari et al. JHEP 1210 137 (2012)
PYTHIA8: T. Sjöstrand et al. JHEP 05 026 (2006)
GM-VFNS: G. Kramer et al. Nucl. Phys. B 925 415-430 (2017)
T. Kneesch et al. Nucl. Phys. B 799 34-59 (2008)

- ▶ GM-VFNS calculations describe within uncertainties the prompt D_s^+ -meson measurement
- ▶ FONLL calculations not available for prompt D_s^+

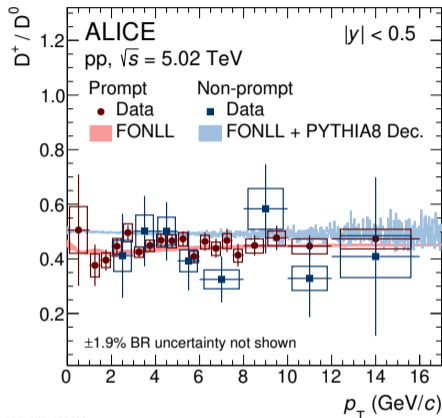
- ▶ Non-prompt D_s^+ compatible with FONLL central values and underestimated by GM-VFNS
 - FONLL $\rightarrow f(b \rightarrow H_b)$ FFs from e^+e^- and PYTHIA8 to describe $H_b \rightarrow D_s^+ + X$ decays
 - GM-VFNS \rightarrow “single-step” description of $b \rightarrow D_s^+ + X$ using FF from e^+e^- measurements

D-meson yield ratios in pp collisions

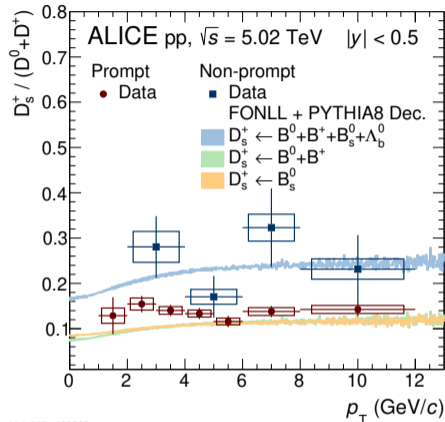
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D mesons: arXiv:2102.1360



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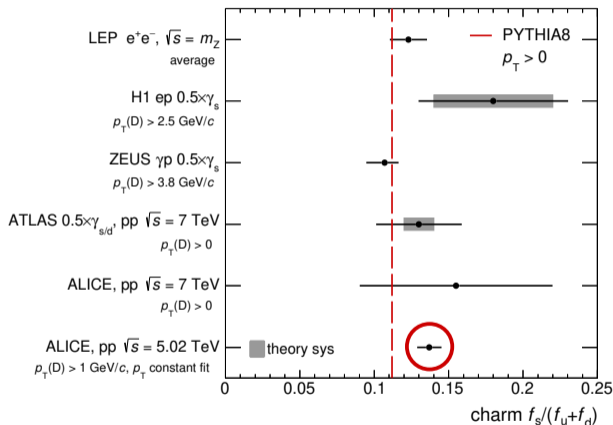
- ▶ **D-meson ratios flat in p_T** and in good agreement with FONLL calculations
 - Compatible prompt and non-prompt D^+/D^0 ratios
 - $D_s^+/(D^0 + D^+)$ ratio higher for non-prompt D mesons. Substantial B_s^0 -decay contribution

Charm-quark fragmentation fractions in pp collisions

PYTHIA8: P. Skands et al. EPJC 74 3024 (2014)
 LEP: L. Gladilin EPJC 75 19 (2015)
 H1: EPJC 38 447-459 (2005)

ZEUS: JHEP 09 058 (2013)
 ATLAS: Nucl. Phys. B 907 717-763 (2016)
 ALICE, 7 TeV: PLB 718 279-294 (2012)

D mesons: arXiv:2102.1360



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- ▶ Charm-quark $f_s/(f_u + f_d)$ ratio from constant fit to prompt $D_s^+/(D^0 + D^+)$
- ▶ Very precise measurement in agreement with previous observations
- ▶ Compatible with PYTHIA8 Monash-13 tune simulations (2.7σ)

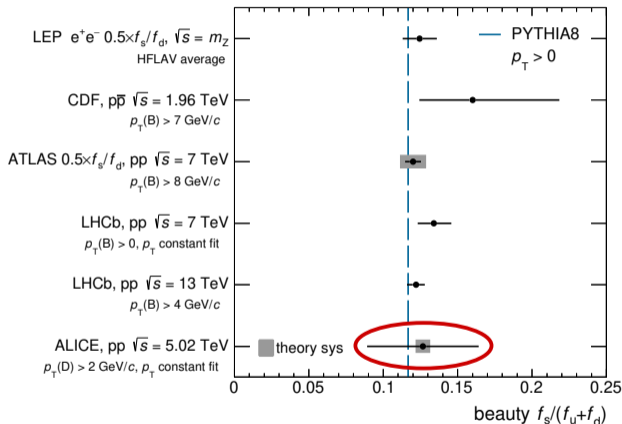
$$\left(\frac{f_s}{f_u + f_d} \right)_{\text{charm}} = 0.137 \pm 0.005 \text{ (stat)} \\ \pm 0.008 \text{ (tot.syst)}$$

Beauty-quark fragmentation fractions in pp collisions

PYTHIA8: P. Skands et al. EPJC 74 3024 (2014)
 LEP: Y. Amhis et al. (HFLAV) arXiv:1909.12524
 CDF: Phys. Rev. D 77 072003 (2008)

ATLAS: PRL 115 262001 (2015)
 LHCb, 7 TeV: Phys. Rev. D 85 032008 (2012)
 LHCb, 13 TeV: Phys. Rev. D 100 031102 (2019)

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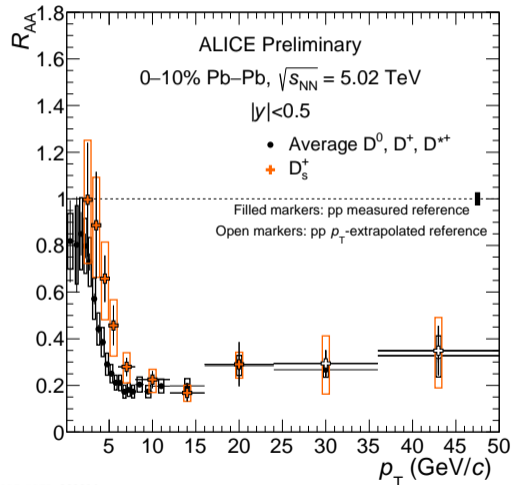
- ▶ Beauty-quark $f_s/(f_u + f_d)$ from constant fit to non-prompt $D_s^+/(D^0 + D^+)$ ratio
- ▶ Correction to account for non-prompt D_s^+ mesons from B^0 and B^+ decays
- ▶ Value compatible with previous measurements and PYTHIA8

$$\left(\frac{f_s}{f_u + f_d} \right)_{\text{beauty}} = 0.127 \pm 0.036 \text{ (stat)}$$

$$\pm 0.014 \text{ (tot.syst)}$$

Strange and non-strange prompt D-meson R_{AA}

- ▶ Strong **suppression of D-meson R_{AA}** in central Pb–Pb collisions
 - factor ~ 5 in magnitude at 8 – 12 GeV/c
 - ▶ Hint of **reduced suppression for D_s^+** w.r.t. non-strange D mesons at $p_T < 8$ GeV/c
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- I. Kuznetsova et al. EPJ C51 113 (2007)



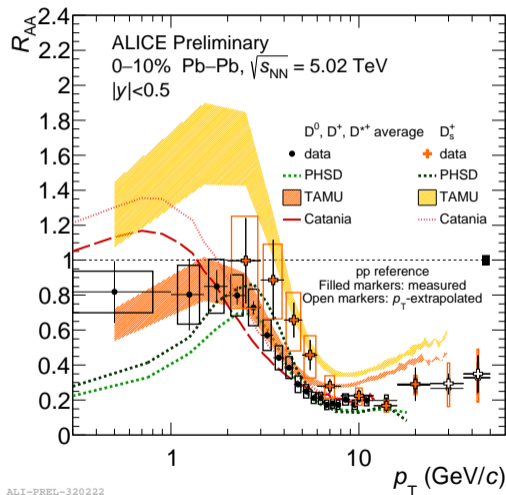
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Strange and non-strange prompt D-meson R_{AA}

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- ▶ Charm-quark transport models including coalescence describe the hierarchy

$$R_{AA}(D_s^+) > R_{AA}(D)$$

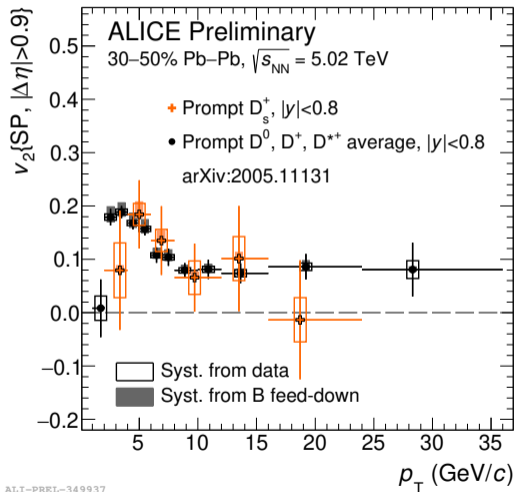


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Strange and non-strange prompt D-meson elliptic flow

Non-strange D: PLB 813 136054 (2021)

- ▶ Positive v_2 of prompt D mesons \rightarrow charm quarks participate in the QGP collective motion
- ▶ No significant difference between strange and non-strange D mesons

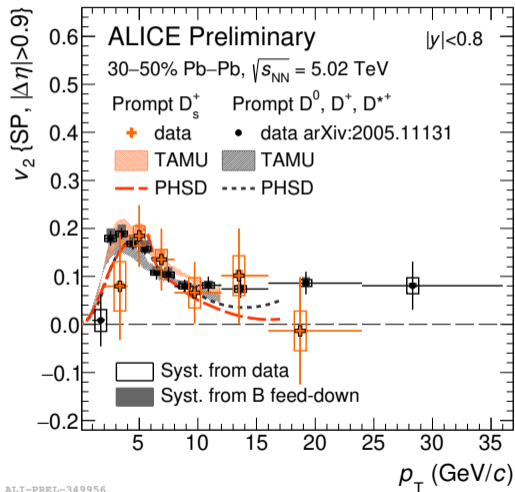


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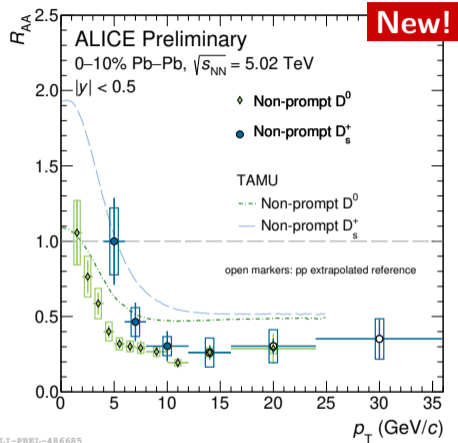
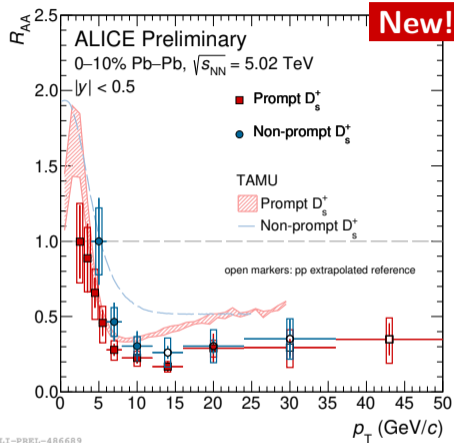
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- ▶ Strange and non-strange D-meson elliptic flow reproduced by TAMU and PHSD models



Non-prompt D_s^+ -meson R_{AA}

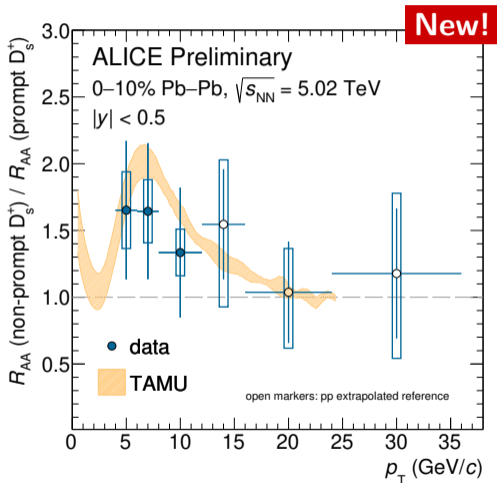
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- ▶ First measurement of non-prompt D_s^+ mesons in central (0-10%) Pb-Pb collisions
- ▶ Hint of larger R_{AA} than prompt D_s^+ and non-prompt D^0 mesons in the low p_T region

Non-prompt and prompt D -meson R_{AA}

TAMU: M. He et al. PLB 735 445-450 (2014)



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- ▶ Indication of **smaller suppression of D_s^+ mesons from B-meson decays** than prompt ones below ~ 8 GeV/c
 - described by TAMU model predictions
- ▶ Interplay of **charm and beauty energy loss and recombination** in the medium

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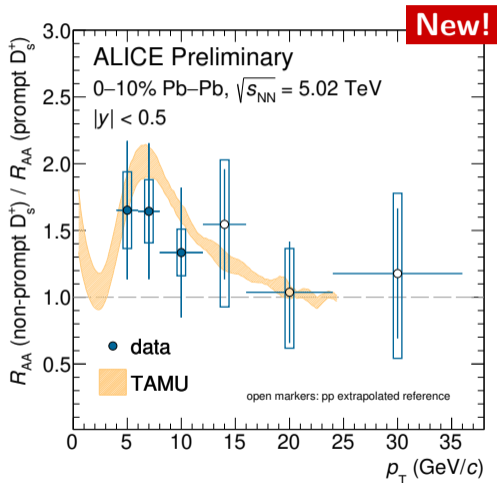
LGR: S. Li et al. EPJC 80 7 671 (2020)

CUJET3.0: J. Xu et al. JHEP 02 169 (2016)

TAMU: M. He et al. PLB 735 445-450 (2014)

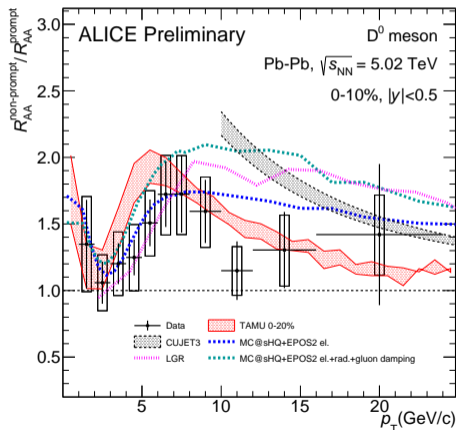
MC@sHQ+EPOS: M. Nahrgang et al. PRC 89 014905 (2014)

J. Park, earlier today

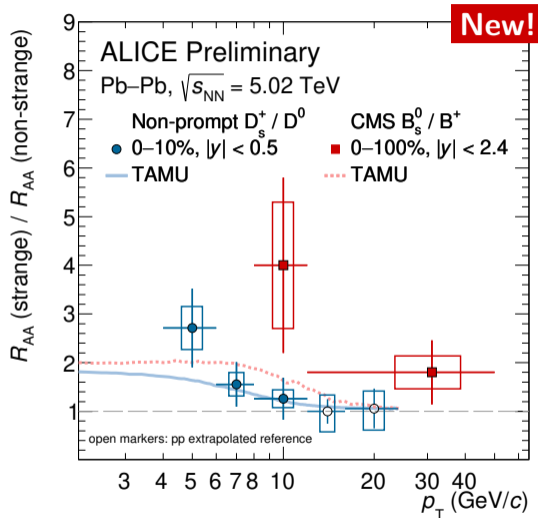


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► D^0 -meson $R_{AA} \rightarrow$ hint of $\Delta E_c > \Delta E_b$



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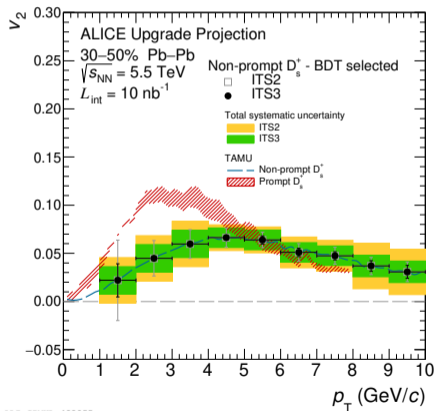
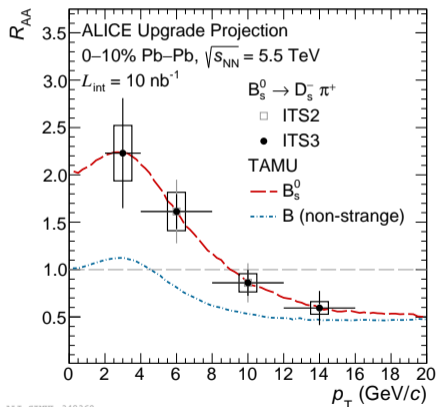
Strange and non-strange meson R_{AA} 

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CMS: PLB 796 168-190 (2019) TAMU: M. He et al. PLB 735 445-450 (2014)

- ▶ $R_{AA}(D_s^+)/R_{AA}(D^0)$ ratio for non-prompt above one at low p_T
 - B_s^0 -production enhanced by beauty hadronisation via coalescence
- ▶ TAMU model describes the observed trend
- ▶ Larger $R_{AA}(B_s^0)/R_{AA}(B^+)$ ratio than non-prompt D
 - D_s^+ from non-strange B-meson decays
 - different decay kinematics

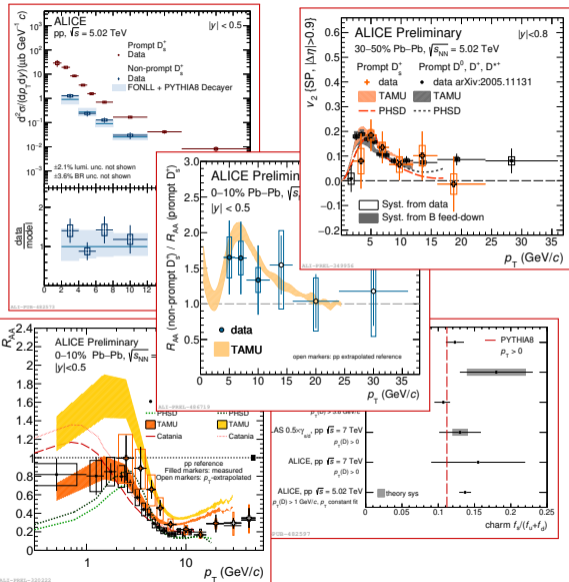
- ▶ Major upgrade of ALICE detectors and read-out electronics ongoing
 - increase collected Pb-Pb luminosity by more than 50 times
 - upgraded Inner Tracking System (ITS2) → improved track and secondary-vertex resolution

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- ▶ Measurements of B_s^0 R_{AA} and non-prompt D_s^+ v_2 possible with good precision

Conclusions

- ▶ Prompt and non-prompt D_s^+ mesons measured in pp collisions
 - potential to constrain pQCD calculations
 - precise study of charm and beauty hadronisation
- ▶ In Pb-Pb collisions
 - non-prompt D_s^+ measured for the first time
 - insights into heavy-flavour recombination
 - charm quarks participate in the QGP collective motion
- ▶ Just an appetizer for ALICE measurements of Run 3 with upgraded detectors and larger data samples



Backup

Heavy flavours in proton-proton collisions

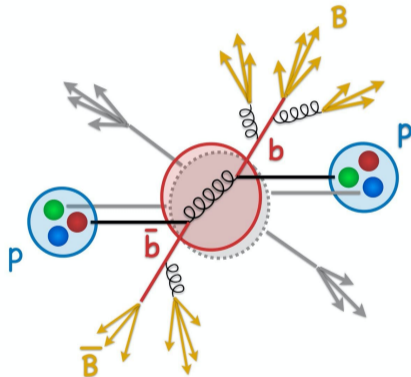
- ▶ Heavy flavours (c and b quarks) produced in hadronic collisions from **hard-scattering processes**
- ▶ Production described with **perturbative QCD calculations** based on the **factorisation theorem**

$$\sigma_{hh \rightarrow Hh} = PDF(x_a, Q^2) PDF(x_b, Q^2) \otimes \sigma_{ab \rightarrow q\bar{q}} \otimes D_{q \rightarrow h}(z_q, Q^2)$$

Parton distribution functions (non perturbative)

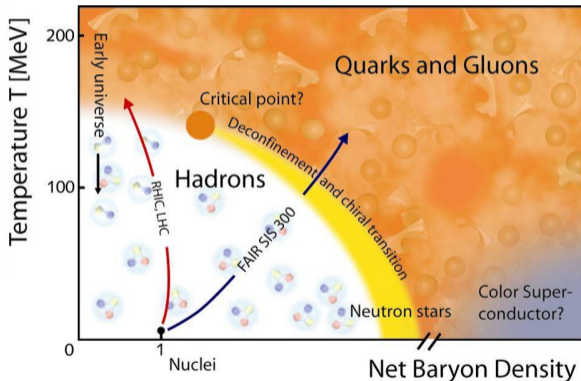
Partonic cross section (perturbative)

Fragmentation functions (non perturbative)



Quark-Gluon Plasma in ultra-relativistic heavy-ion collisions

Quantum chromodynamics (QCD) calculations predict a phase transition of nuclear matter to a colour-deconfined medium, the **quark-gluon plasma** (QGP), under extreme conditions of temperature and/or density



- The QGP can be created in the laboratory by **ultra-relativistic heavy-ion collisions**

Heavy flavours in Pb–Pb collisions — Observables

Heavy flavours propagate through the QGP and interact with the medium constituents

► Energy loss via **elastic scatterings** and **gluon radiation**

- nuclear modification factor R_{AA}

$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{1}{\langle N_{coll}^{AA} \rangle} \frac{dN_{AA}/p_T}{dN_{PP}/p_T}$$

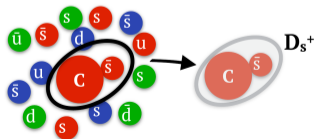
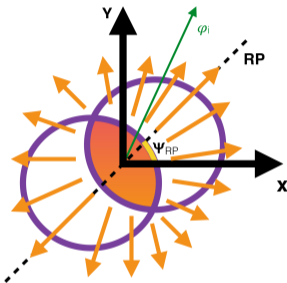
► Participation in the fireball **collective motion**

- **azimuthal anisotropy** of produced particle momenta

$$v_2 = \langle \cos[2(\varphi - \Psi_2)] \rangle$$

► **Hadronisation via recombination** in the medium

- p_T -dependent **yield ratios**, R_{AA} and v_2 of different hadron species

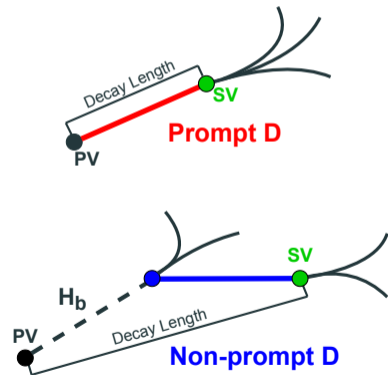


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▶ Non-prompt D mesons → beauty-quark production and hadronisation

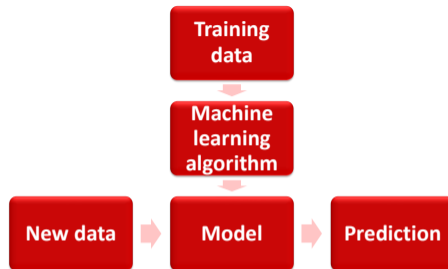
- different **B-meson contributions** for each D species

	from B^0	from B^+	from B_s^0
non-prompt D^0	~ 40%	~ 60%	-
non-prompt D^+	~ 75%	~ 25%	-
non-prompt D_s^+	~ 25%	~ 20%	~ 55%

(PDG BRs and FFs from $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ decays, contributions from baryons negligible)

Analysis tools — Supervised machine learning

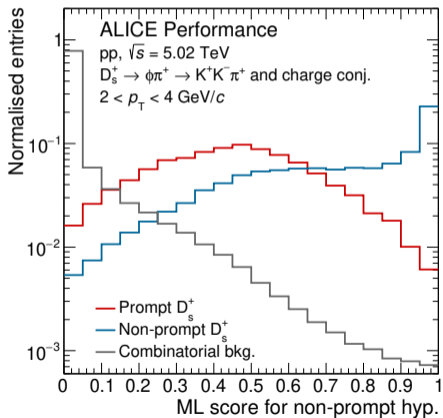
- ▶ Supervised ML models "learn" to make predictions from a set of examples, where the **correct classification** is known
- ▶ They can perform **more complex selections** w.r.t. the linear selections traditionally used



- ▶ To train the model a **training set** is needed. It is built from
 - Monte Carlo productions → **prompt and non-prompt D mesons**
 - data collected by the experiment → **combinatorial background** from sidebands of invariant-mass distribution
- ▶ After the training, the **ML model** is used to **predict the class of unknown particle candidates**

Analysis tools — Multi-class classification

- ▶ **Multi-class Boosted Decision Trees (BDT)** employed to separate prompt D mesons, non-prompt D mesons and combinatorial background
 - different BDTs for D^0 , D^+ and D_s^+ mesons and for different transverse-momentum (p_T) intervals

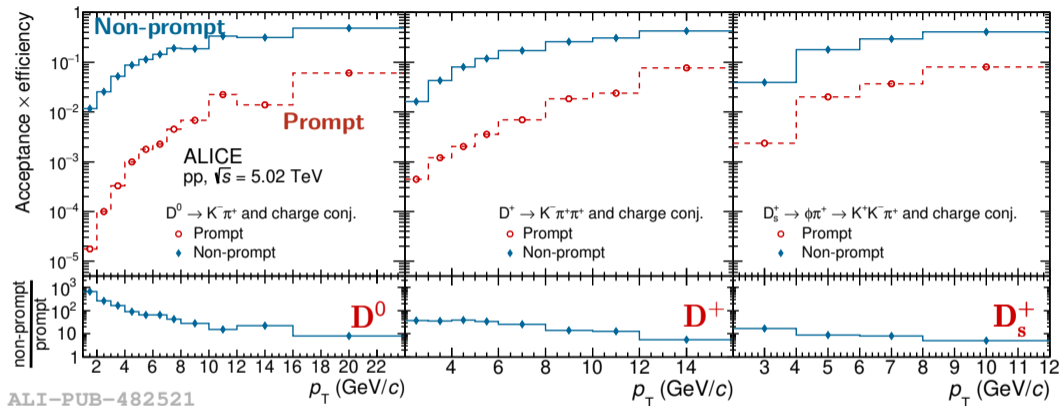


- ▶ **BDT input:** candidate kinematic, geometrical and PID quantities
- ▶ **BDT output:** 3 scores related to the candidate probability to be prompt, non-prompt and background
- ▶ Selections applied on these scores to reduce combinatorial background and reject prompt or non-prompt D mesons

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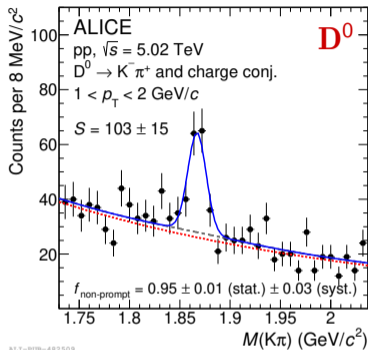
Prompt/Non-prompt D_s^+ from MC, bkg. from data

Non-prompt D mesons — Selection efficiencies

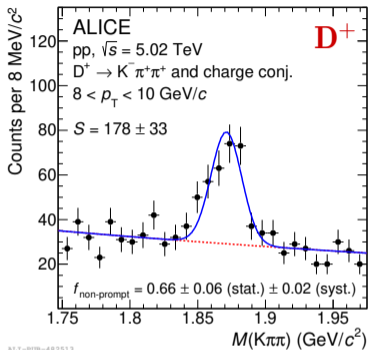


- ▶ Non-prompt D-meson measurements \rightarrow selections on BDT scores tuned to suppress the prompt contribution and enhance the non-prompt one in the raw yields
- ▶ Prompt efficiencies smaller by a factor $\sim 5 - 700$ depending on the species and p_T

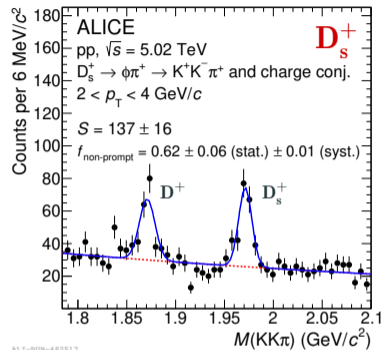
Non-prompt D mesons — Raw-yield extraction



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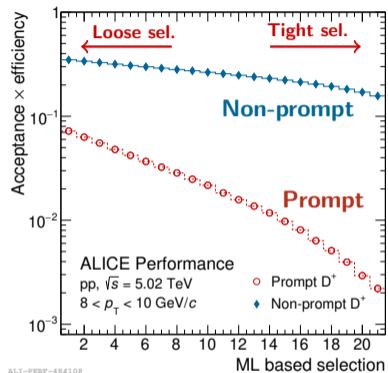
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- ▶ D^0 , D^+ and D_s^+ yields extracted from fit to the invariant-mass distributions of particle candidates
- ▶ **Enhanced fraction of non-prompt D mesons** in the raw yields \rightarrow estimated with a data-driven approach

Data-driven estimation of non-prompt fraction

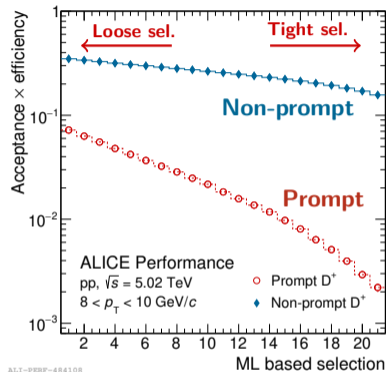
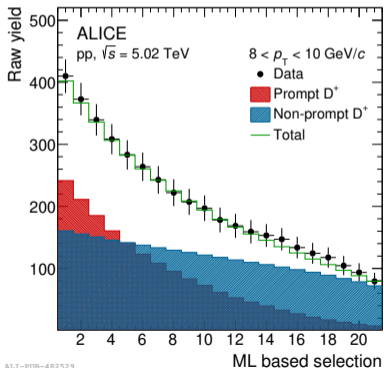
- ▶ Define n sets of selections with different prompt and non-prompt D-meson contributions
- ▶ For each selection set the raw yield and the efficiencies are related to the corrected yields of prompt N_{prompt} and non-prompt $N_{\text{non-prompt}}$ D mesons
- ▶ An algebraic system is obtained

$$\begin{cases} (\text{Acc} \times \epsilon)_1^{\text{prompt}} \cdot N_{\text{prompt}} + (\text{Acc} \times \epsilon)_1^{\text{non-prompt}} \cdot N_{\text{non-prompt}} = Y_1 \\ \dots \\ (\text{Acc} \times \epsilon)_n^{\text{prompt}} \cdot N_{\text{prompt}} + (\text{Acc} \times \epsilon)_n^{\text{non-prompt}} \cdot N_{\text{non-prompt}} = Y_n \end{cases}$$



Data-driven estimation of non-prompt fraction

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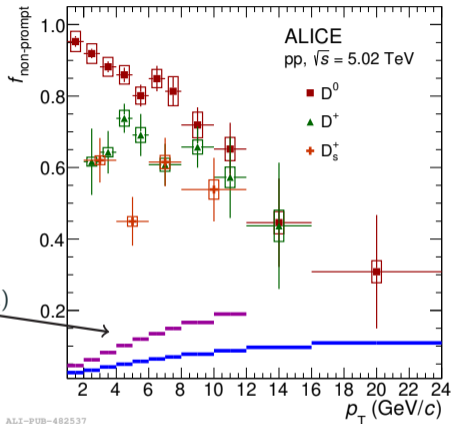
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"Natural" $f_{\text{non-prompt}}$ (FONLL + PYTHIA)
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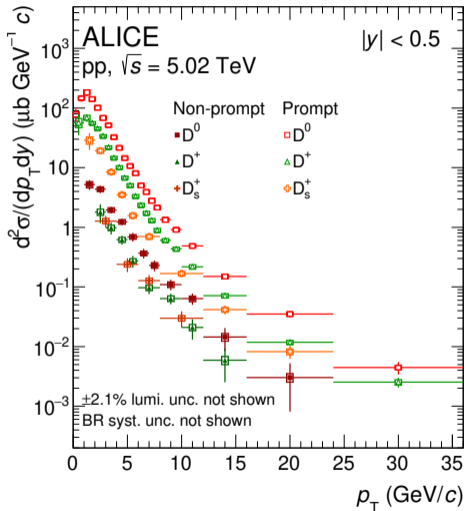
- ▶ **Non-prompt fraction** $f_{\text{non-prompt}}$ evaluated for a given set of selections as

$$f_{\text{non-prompt}}^i = \frac{(\text{Acc} \times \epsilon)_i^{\text{non-prompt}} \cdot N_{\text{non-prompt}}}{(\text{Acc} \times \epsilon)_i^{\text{non-prompt}} \cdot N_{\text{non-prompt}} + (\text{Acc} \times \epsilon)_i^{\text{prompt}} \cdot N_{\text{prompt}}}$$



b-hadron	Fraction at Z (%)	Fraction at $p\bar{p}$ (%)
B^0, B^+	40.8 ± 0.7	34.4 ± 2.1
B_s^0	10.0 ± 0.8	11.5 ± 1.3
Λ_b^0	8.4 ± 1.1	19.8 ± 4.6

Results — Cross sections



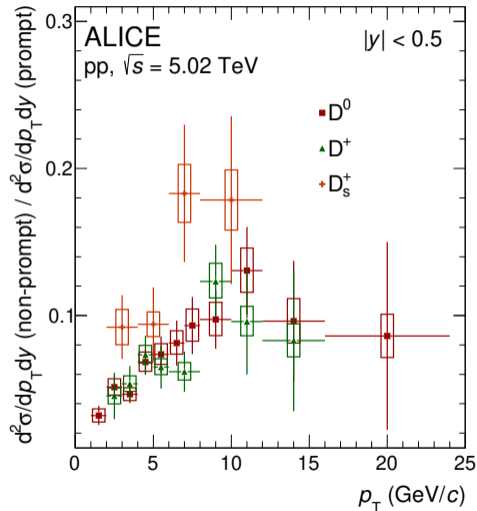
- ▶ Prompt and non-prompt D mesons measured down to very **low transverse momenta**
- ▶ Prompt D^0 from EPJC 79 388 (2019)
- ▶ Prompt D^+ and D_s^+ measurements updated using ML \rightarrow **larger p_T reach** w.r.t. previous results

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Results — Non-prompt over prompt ratios

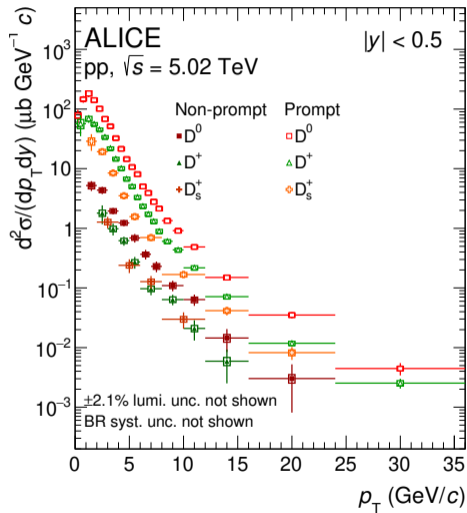
Prompt D^0 : EPJC 79 388 (2019)

- ▶ **Cross section ratios** of non-prompt and prompt D mesons **increase with p_T** up to 12 GeV/c
 - beauty-hadron p_T distribution harder than D mesons
- ▶ Hint of **larger ratio for D_s^+** mesons
 - larger contribution of beauty-hadron decays compared to non-strange D mesons



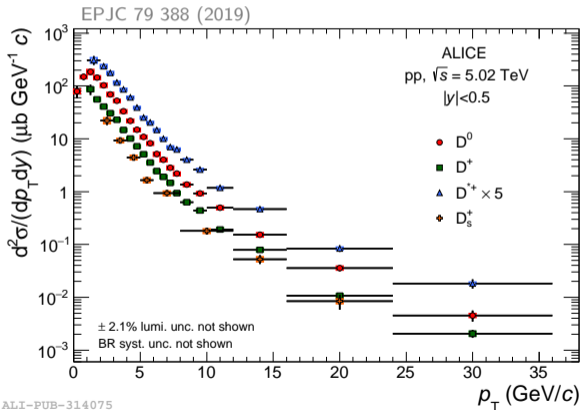
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Prompt D^+ and D_s^+ cross sections vs. 2019 paper



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- ▶ Measurement of prompt D^+ and D_s^+ mesons updated using ML \rightarrow extension to **lower transverse momenta** w.r.t. 2019 result

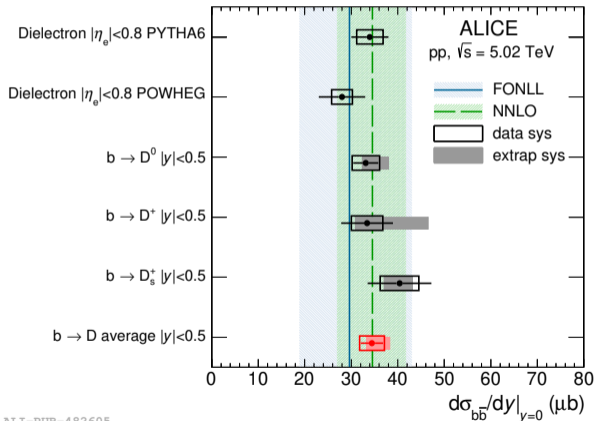


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Results — Beauty-quark production cross section

Dielectron: Phys. Rev. C 102 055204 (2020) FONLL: M. Cacciari et al. JHEP 1210 137 (2012) NNLO: S. Catani et al. JHEP 03 029 (2021)

- ▶ p_T -differential non-prompt D-meson measurement $\rightarrow p_T$ -integrated cross section $\rightarrow b\bar{b}$ production cross section at midrapidity



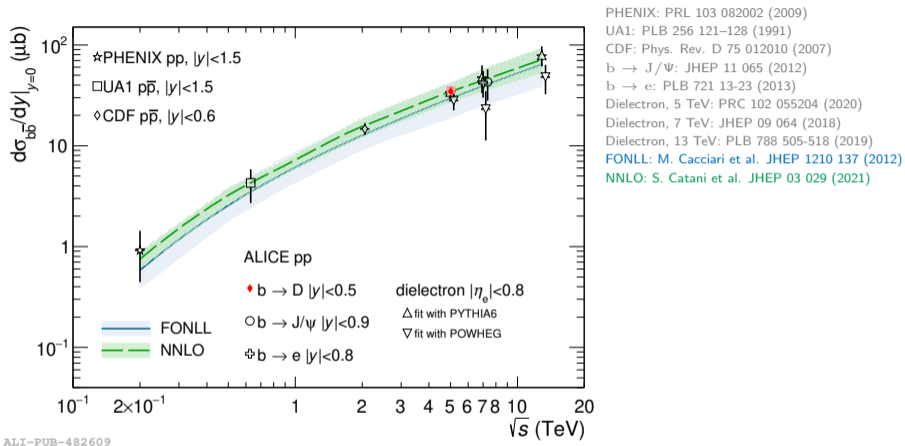
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- ▶ D-meson average compatible with previous ALICE measurements
- ▶ Good agreement with FONLL and calculations including NNLO QCD radiative corrections

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma_{b\bar{b}}}{dy} \right|_{|y| < 0.5} = 34.5 \pm 2.4(\text{stat})$$

$${}^{+4.7}_{-2.9}(\text{tot. syst}) \mu\text{b}$$

Results — Beauty-quark production cross section



- ▶ Beauty-quark production described by FONLL and NNLO calculations over a wide interval of center-of-mass energies

Beauty FF ratio and cross section corrections

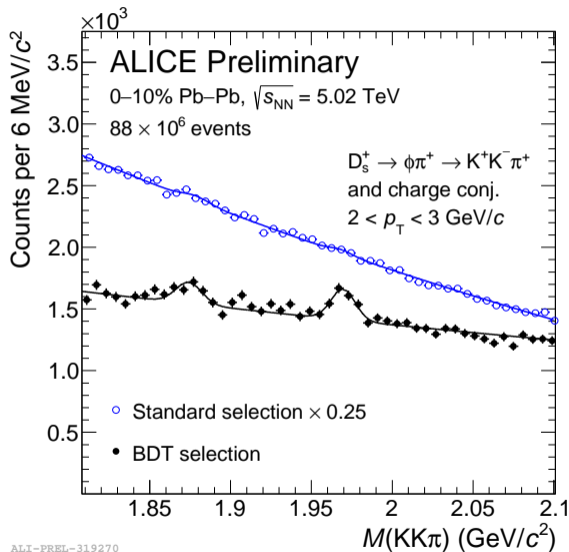
- ▶ Correction for beauty-quark FF ratio

$$\left(\frac{f_s}{f_u + f_d}\right)_{\text{beauty}} = \left[\frac{N(D_s^+ \leftarrow B_s^0)}{N(D_s^+ \leftarrow H_b)} \cdot \frac{N(D^0, D^+ \leftarrow H_b)}{N(D^0, D^+ \leftarrow B^{0,+})} \right]^{\text{FONLL+PYTHIA 8}} \cdot \left(\frac{D_s^+}{D^0 + D^+}\right)_{\text{non-prompt}}$$

- ▶ Extrapolation factor for beauty-quark cross section

$$\alpha_{\text{extr}}^{\text{bb}} = \frac{d\sigma_{\text{bb}}/dy|_{|y|<0.5}^{\text{FONLL}}}{\sigma_{\text{b} \rightarrow \text{D}}^{\text{FONLL+PYTHIA 8}}(p_T^{\text{min}} < p_T < p_T^{\text{max}}, |y| < 0.5)}$$

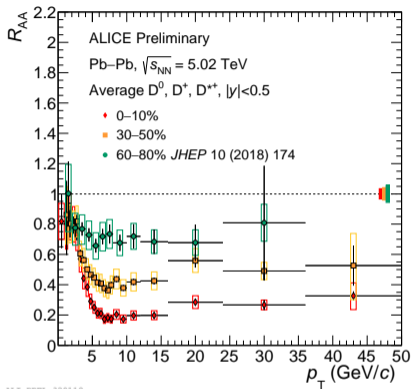
Selections improved with machine learning



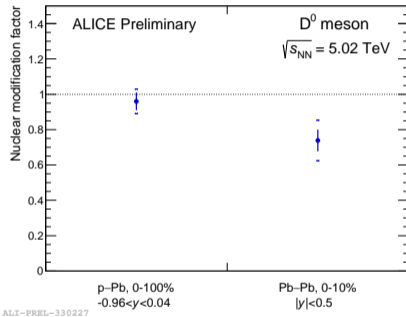
- ▶ Example from Pb–Pb collisions
- ▶ Using ML selections it is possible to extract the signal in a region ($2 < p_T < 3$ GeV/c) where the linear selections do not give a clear D_s^+ peak

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Non-strange D-meson R_{AA}



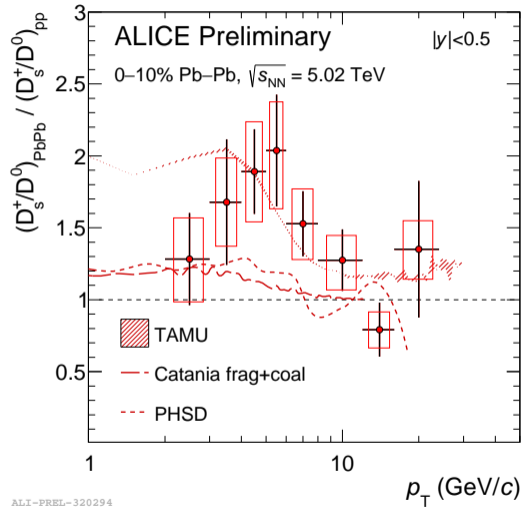
- Hierarchy in the D-meson R_{AA} suppression: increasing from peripheral to semi-central and central Pb-Pb collisions



- Integrated R_{AA} around (below) unity in p-Pb (Pb-Pb) \rightarrow observed suppression due to final state effects

Prompt D_s^+ -meson abundance in Pb–Pb collisions

PHSD: T. Song et al. PRC 92 014910 (2015) TAMU: M. He et al. PLB 735 445-450 (2014) Catania: S. Plumari et al. EPJC 78 348 (2018)



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- ▶ Indication of **higher D_s^+/D^0 ratio** in Pb–Pb compared to pp **at $p_T < 8$ GeV/c**
- ▶ D_s^+ enhancement **qualitatively described by transport models** including charm-quark recombination in a strangeness-rich medium
- ▶ **Quantitative differences** between TAMU, PHSD and Catania
 - more precise Run 3 data will permit to discriminate

D-meson elliptic flow in Pb-Pb collisions

- ▶ D-meson v_2 measured at mid-rapidity ($|\eta| < 0.8$) with the scalar-product (SP) method

$$v_2\{SP\} = \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{Q}_2^A / M^A \rangle}{\sqrt{\frac{\langle \mathbf{Q}_2^A / M^A \cdot \mathbf{Q}_2^B / M^B \rangle \langle \mathbf{Q}_2^A / M^A \cdot \mathbf{Q}_2^C / M^C \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{Q}_2^B / M^B \cdot \mathbf{Q}_2^C / M^C \rangle}}$$

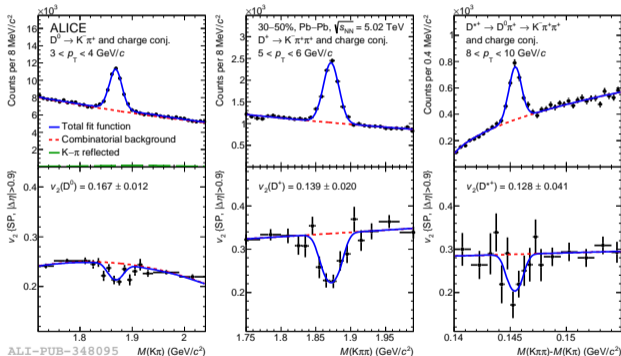
where $\mathbf{Q}_2 = \sum_{j=0}^M w_j e^{i2\varphi_j}$ and $\mathbf{u}_{2,D} = e^{i2\varphi_D}$

- ▶ Sub-events:

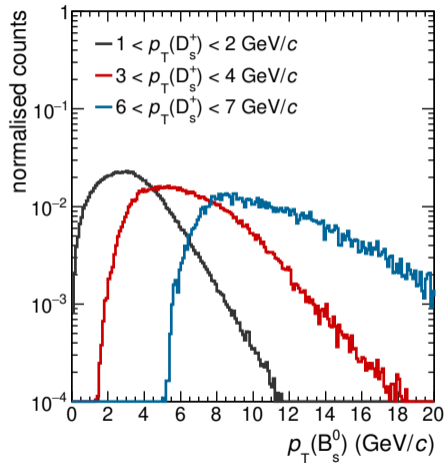
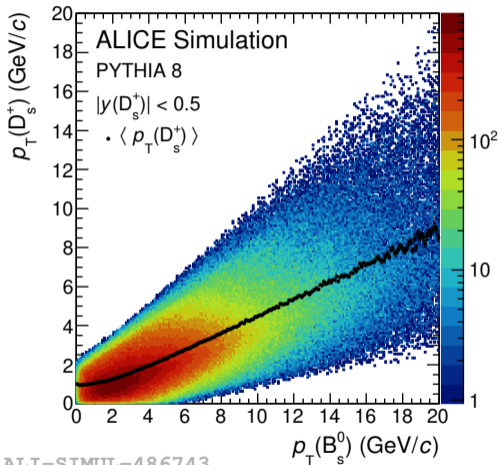
- A: V0C ($-3.7 < \eta < -1.7$)
- B: V0A ($2.8 < \eta < 5.1$)
- C: TPC ($|\eta| < 0.8$)

- ▶ v_2 of the signal extracted from a v_2 vs mass fit

$$v_2(M) = \frac{S}{S+B} v_2^{sig} + \frac{B}{S+B} v_2^{bkg}$$

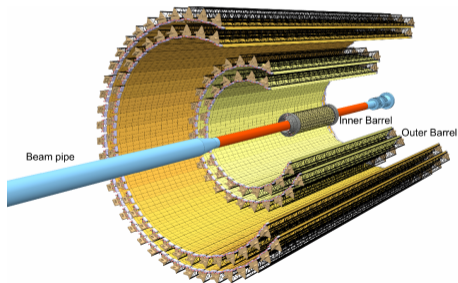


D_s^+ vs B_s^0 transverse momentum



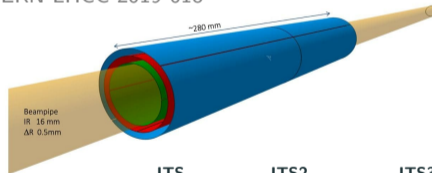
Prospects for Run 3 and beyond

- ▶ Major upgrade of ALICE detectors and read-out electronics ongoing
 - increase collected Pb-Pb luminosity by more than one order of magnitude
- ▶ Inner Tracking System (ITS) upgrades crucial for heavy-flavour measurements
- ▶ Run 3 → completely new detector (ITS2)
- ▶ Run 4 → three truly cylindrical layers based on ultra-thin curved silicon-pixel sensors (ITS3)



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	ITS	ITS2	ITS3
# of layers	6	7	7
X/X_0	1.14%	0.38%	0.05%
innermost radius	39 mm	22 mm	18 mm
pixel size	$50 \times 425 \mu\text{m}^2$	$30 \times 30 \mu\text{m}^2$	$\mathcal{O}(15 \times 15 \mu\text{m}^2)$