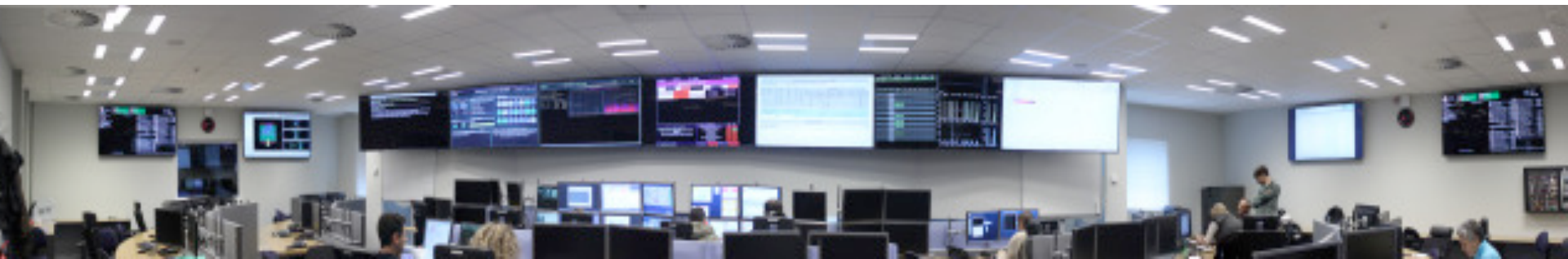




# Основные недавние результаты адронных столкновений в эксперименте ALICE на БАК



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# A wealth of ALICE results in 2023 at major conferences, among them:



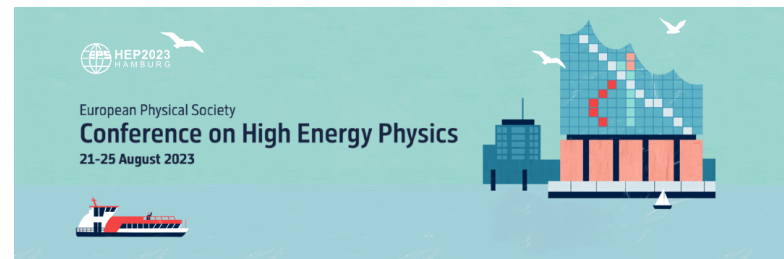
Quark Matter 2023 conference,  
3–9 Sept 2023, Houston, Texas, 77010, USA

1 plenary talk

- 30 parallel talks
- 60 posters

European Physical Society Conference on High  
Energy Physics (EPS-HEP) 2023

Germany, Hamburg, (2023-08-21 -  
2023-08-25 ) -- 27 talks



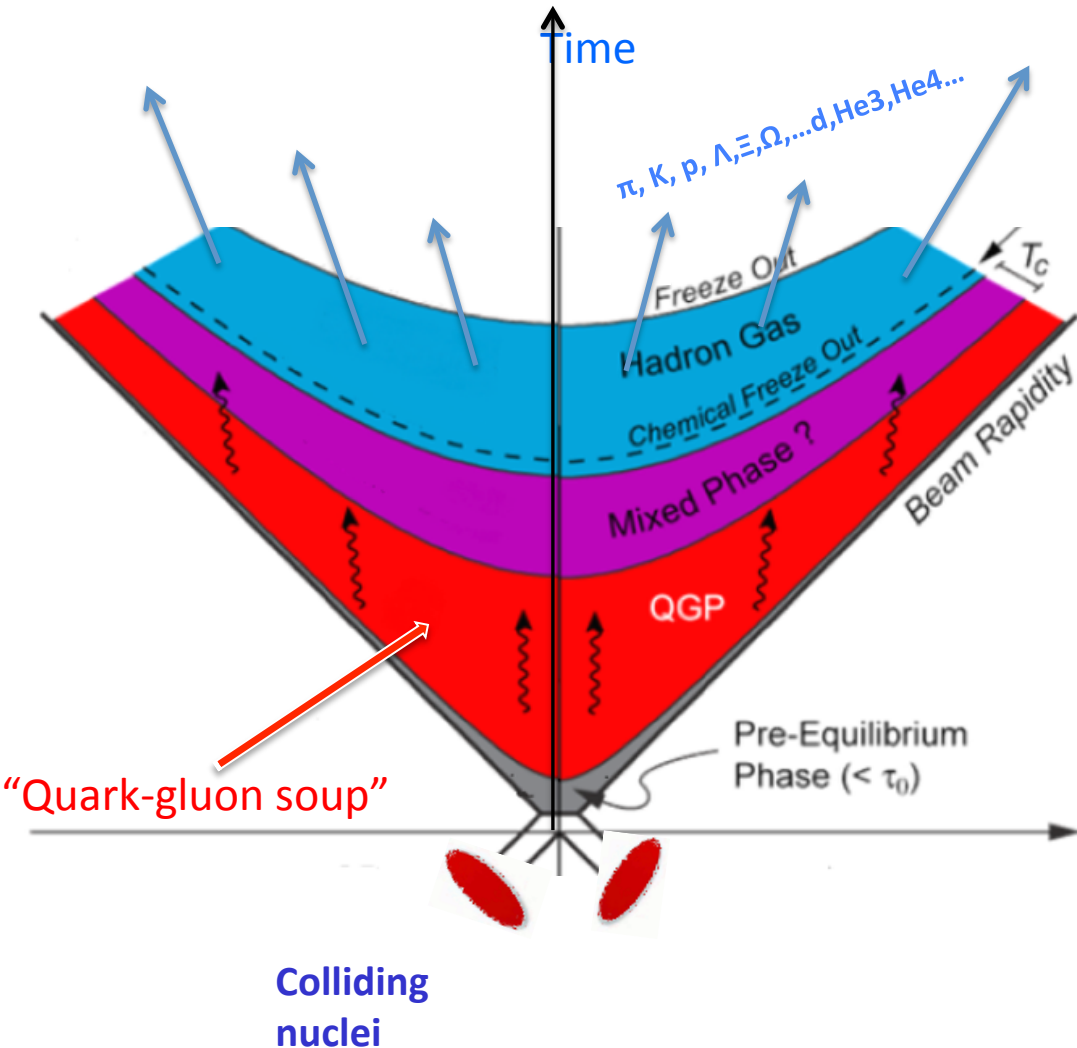
The 7th International Conference on the Initial  
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Stages 2023

Copenhagen, Denmark, (2023-06-19 -  
2023-06-23 ) -- 2 plenary talk + 1 flash plenary,  
10 parallel session talks, 13 posters

➤ [See also “The ALICE experiment. A journey through QCD” , arXiv:2211.04384](#)

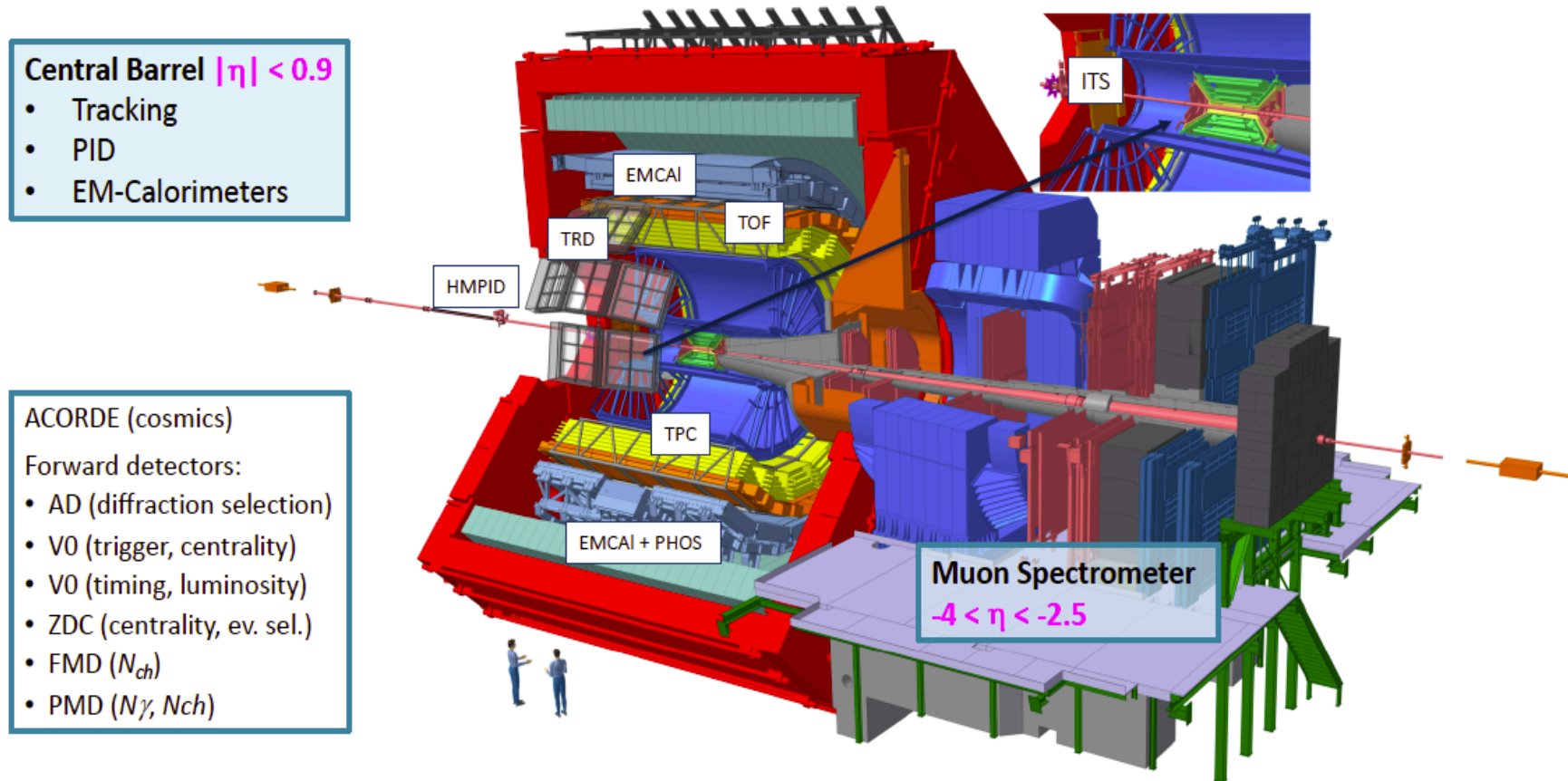
➤ **So, this talk is focused only on just few topics:**

# Space-time stages of nucleus-nucleus collision



- Pre-equilibrium phase
  - $\tau_{eq} < 0.5 \text{ fm}/c$
- QGP medium
  - Almost perfect liquid:  $\eta/s \sim 0.1$
  - Temperature:  $\sim 300 \text{ MeV}$  from the photon spectrum inverse slope
  - Large volume:  $\sim 5000 \text{ fm}^3$
  - Mean life time:  $\tau \sim 10 \text{ fm}/c$
  - Energy density (in central Pb-Pb collisions at 5.02 TeV):  $\approx 20 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$   
( $\gg \epsilon_{crit} \approx 1 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$ )
- Mixed phase
- Chemical freeze-out:
  - particle composition is fixed at  $T_{ch} \sim 155 \text{ MeV}$
- Thermal freeze-out:
  - particle  $p_T$  spectra are fixed at  $T_{tfo} \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$

# ALICE in Run 1 and Run 2 in 2009-2018



- ALICE is optimized for Heavy-Ion Physics - excellent tracking of low momenta particles
- Efficient registration of the hadrons, electrons, muons, and photons produced in pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions at the LHC.

# ALICE in Run 1 and Run 2 in 2009-2018



System	Year(s)	$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (TeV)	$L_{int}$
Pb-Pb	2010, 2011	2.76	$\sim 75 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$
	2015, 2018	5.02	$\sim 800 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$
Xe-Xe	2017	5.44	$\sim 0.3 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$
p-Pb	2013	5.02	$\sim 15 \text{nb}^{-1}$
	2016	5.02, 8.16	$\sim 3 \text{nb}^{-1}, \sim 25 \text{nb}^{-1}$
pp	2009-2013	0.9, 2.76, 7, 8	$\sim 200 \text{mb}^{-1}, \sim 100 \text{nb}^{-1}$ $\sim 1.5 \text{pb}^{-1}, \sim 2.5 \text{pb}^{-1}$
	2015, 2017	5.02	$\sim 1.3 \text{pb}^{-1}$
	2015-2018	13	$\sim 36 \text{pb}^{-1}$

Run 1

Run 2

- **ALICE Collaboration: 40 countries, 169 institutes, 1977 members**
- **Publications: total 475**

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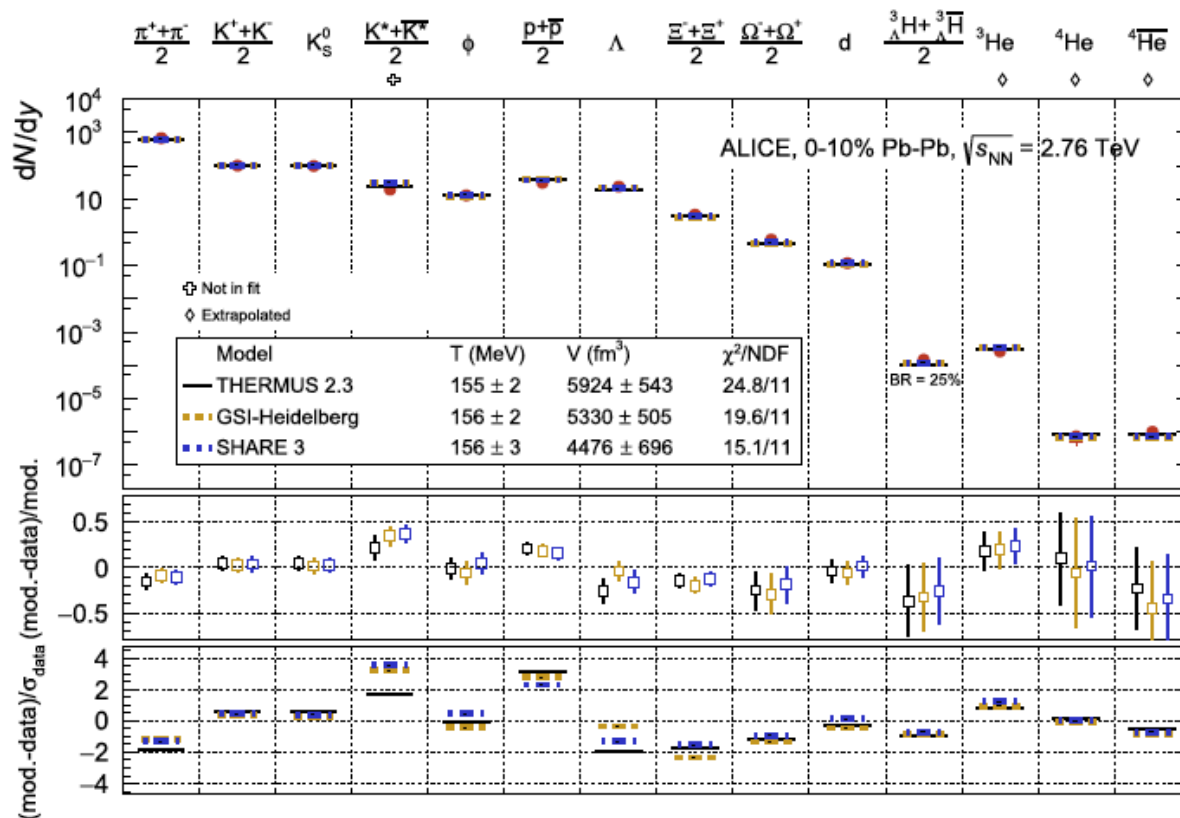
QGP and formation

of light (anti) (hyper) nuclei

# Formation of particles and light (anti) (hyper)nuclei in central Pb-Pb collision at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.76$ TeV



## Pb-Pb collisions



- ${}^4\text{He}$  is the heaviest antinucleus observed
- What is the mechanism of light (anti)nuclei and (anti)hypernuclei production in hadron collisions?
- Statistical hadronisation model (SHM)[2] vs. Coalescence?

Thermal-model fits to the  $p_T$ -integrated yields of many hadron species measured in ALICE[1]

[1] ALICE Collab., Nucl. Phys. A 971 1 (2018) 1-20

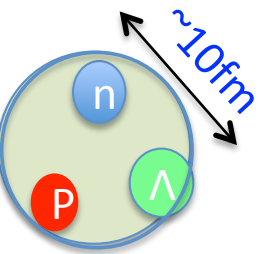
[2] A.Andronic, P.Braun-Munzinger, R. Redlich, J.Stachel, Nature 561 (2018) 321



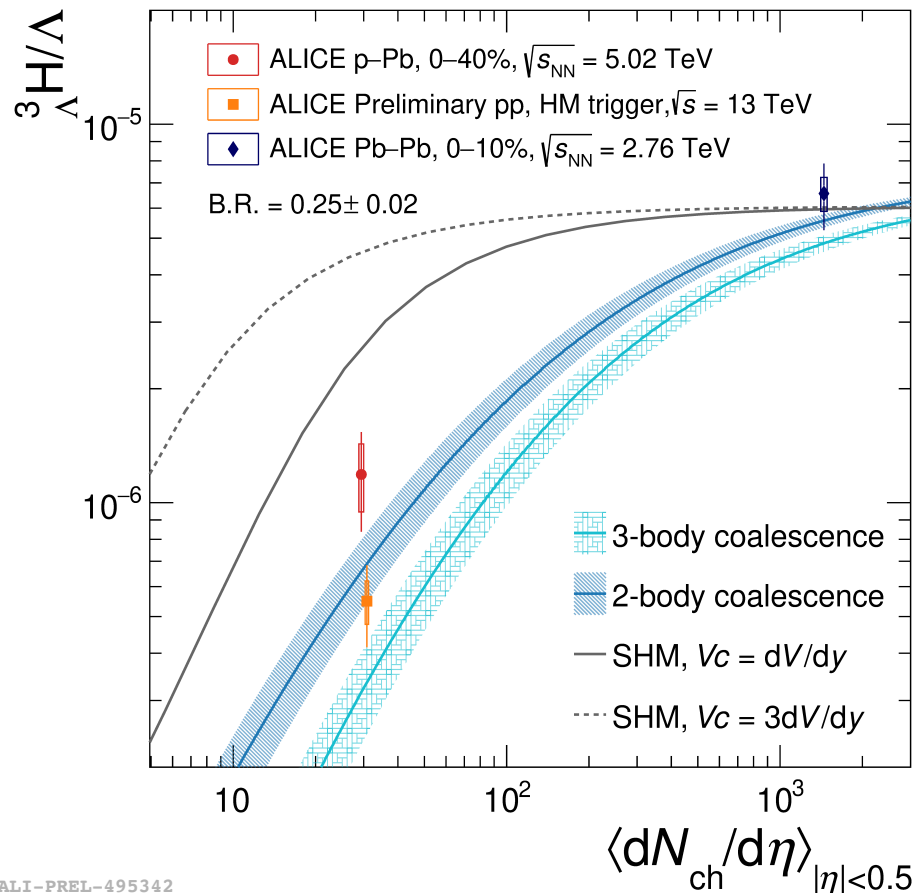
# Formation of light (anti) (hyper) nuclei in pp, p--Pb and Pb--Pb collisions:

## hypertriton

### pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions



arXiv:2107.10627



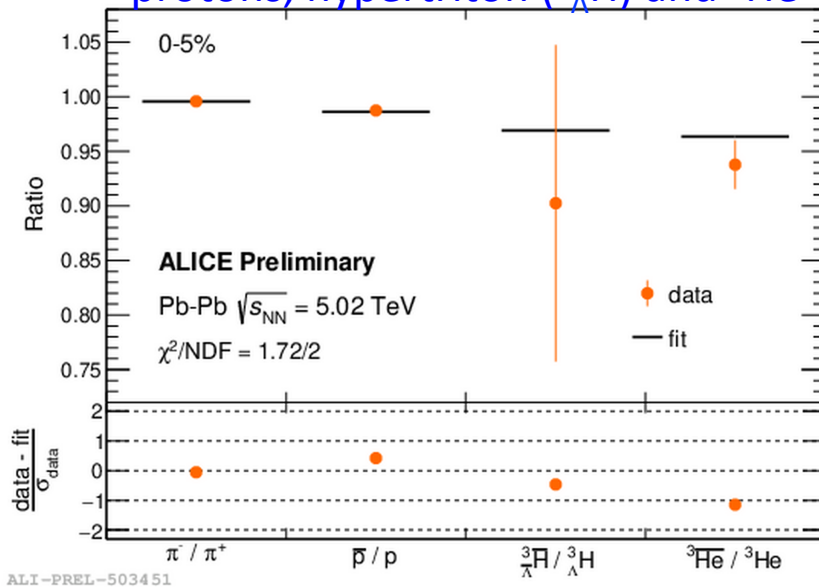
- The 1<sup>st</sup> measurement in p-Pb collisions at the LHC of **hypertriton**, reconstructed via the decay channel  ${}^3_{\Lambda}\text{H} \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + \pi^{-}$ 
  - The lightest hypernucleus (p, n,  $\Lambda$ ) (mass  $\approx 2.991 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ )
  - The binding energy :  $B_{\Lambda} \approx 130 \text{ keV}$
- **Fragile but surviving at chemical freeze-out temperature  $T_{\text{ch}} = 156 \text{ MeV}$  ?**
- **Important to discriminate between nucleosynthesis mechanisms in dense and hot environments**
- **Results are currently in favour of coalescence**
- **Improved statistics – it is expected in the upcoming LHC Run 3 with the upgraded ALICE**

# Formation of light (anti) (hyper) nuclei in Pb--Pb collisions: antimatter-over-matter ratios



**New!**

Antiparticle-to-particle ratios of charged pions,  
protons, hypertriton ( $^3_\Lambda\text{H}$ ) and  $^3\text{He}$



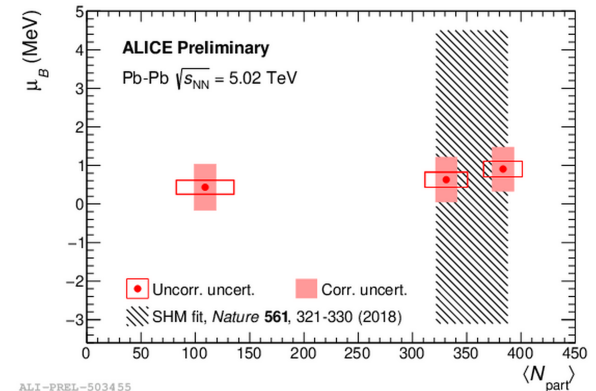
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Fit using the relation obtained from SHM.

- Small but non-zero  $\mu_B$  at LHC
- The analysis will be extended to antimatter-over-matter ratios for strange baryons, such as  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Xi$  and

**Pb--Pb collisions,  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=5.02$  TeV**

- $T = 156.5 \pm 1.5$  MeV, fixed from the Statistical Hadronisation Model (SHM) [A. Andronic et al., Nature 561, (2018) 321]
- Measurement of baryon chemical potential  $\mu_B$
- Most precise measurement in Pb-Pb at LHC



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## ✓ Jets in QGP medium

# Hadron+jet to explore energy loss & deflection

central (0-10%) Pb-Pb collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV

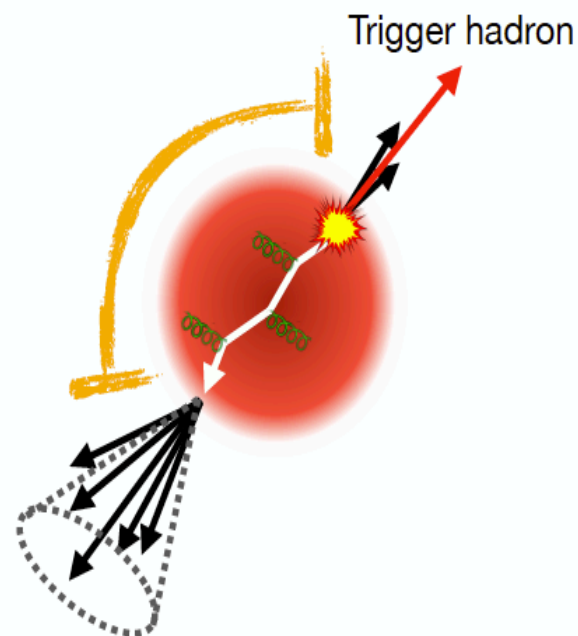
Semi-inclusive yield of jets recoiling from high- $p_T$  hadron

$$\frac{1}{N_{trig}^{AA}} \frac{d^2 N_{jet}^{AA}}{dp_{T,ch}^{jet} d\eta_{jet}} \equiv \frac{1}{\sigma^{AA \rightarrow h+X}} \frac{d^2 \sigma^{AA \rightarrow h+jet+X}}{dp_{T,ch}^{jet} d\eta_{jet}}$$

Perturbatively-calculable observable

Chen et al., PLB 773 (2017) 672

See [poster](#) by Yongzhen Hou for more details and comparison to pQCD



Recoiling jet  
anti- $k_T$  charged jets ( $R = 0.2, 0.4$ )

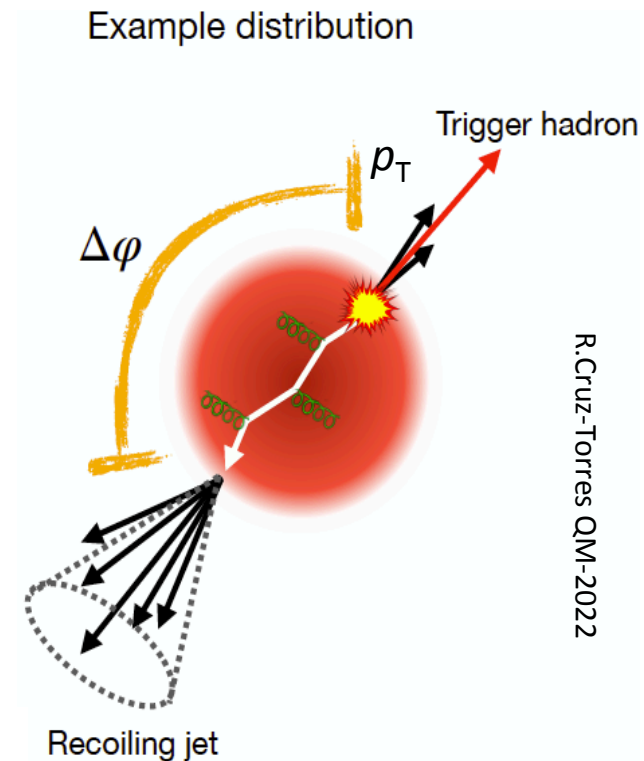
# Jets as probes for the study of the deconfined matter

Charged-particle jets recoiling from a high- $p_T$  trigger hadron

➤ **Observables for recoil jets:**

- Signal Trigger Track ( $TT_{sig}$ ) -- interval 20 to 50 GeV/c  
(labeled as  $TT_{20,50}$ )
- Reference Trigger Track ( $TT_{ref}$ ) -- interval 5 to 7 GeV/c  
(labeled as  $TT_{5,7}$ )
- $\Delta_{recoil}(p_T, \Delta\phi)$ - the azimuthal correlation  
between the trigger hadron and recoil jet

$$\Delta_{recoil}(p_T, \Delta\phi) = \frac{1}{N_{trig}} \frac{d^2 N_{jet}}{dp_{T,jet}^{ch} d\Delta\phi} \Bigg|_{TT_{sig}} - c \cdot \frac{1}{N_{trig}} \frac{d^2 N_{jet}}{dp_{T,jet}^{ch} d\Delta\phi} \Bigg|_{TT_{ref}}$$

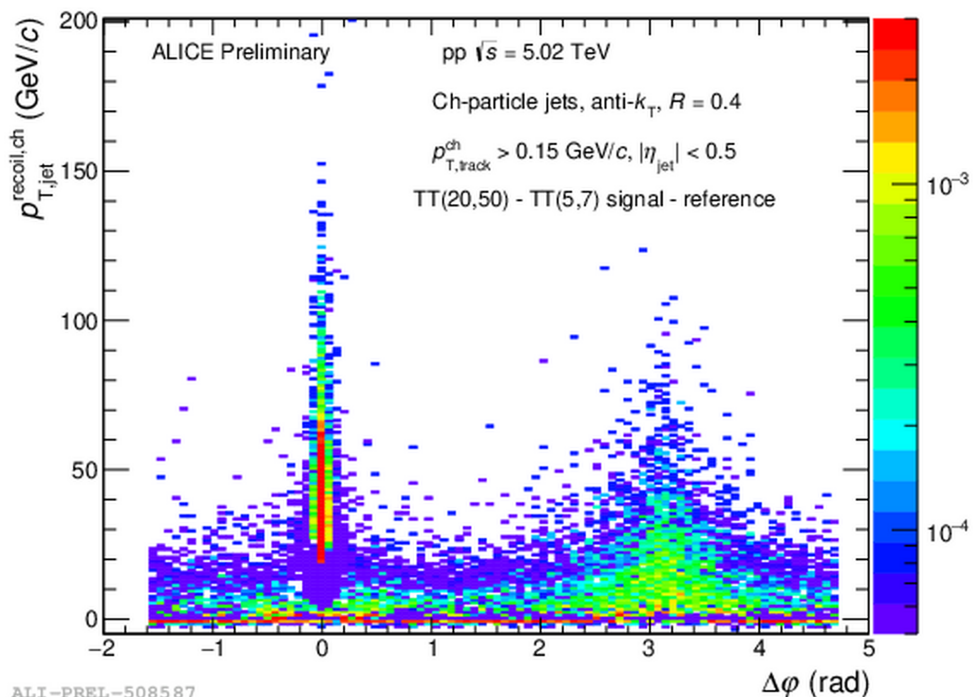


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# Jets in QGP medium: modification of the angular structure of recoil jets

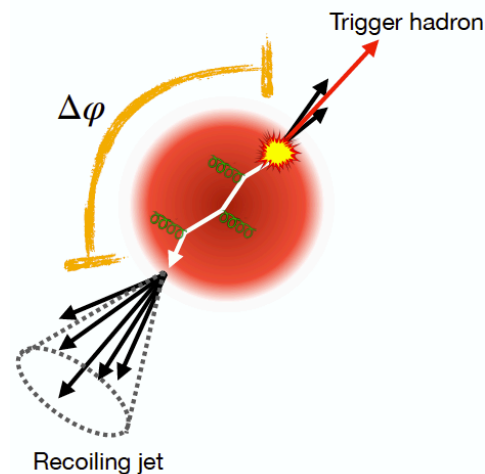


Measurement of the semi-inclusive hadron+jet distributions



pp and Pb–Pb collisions

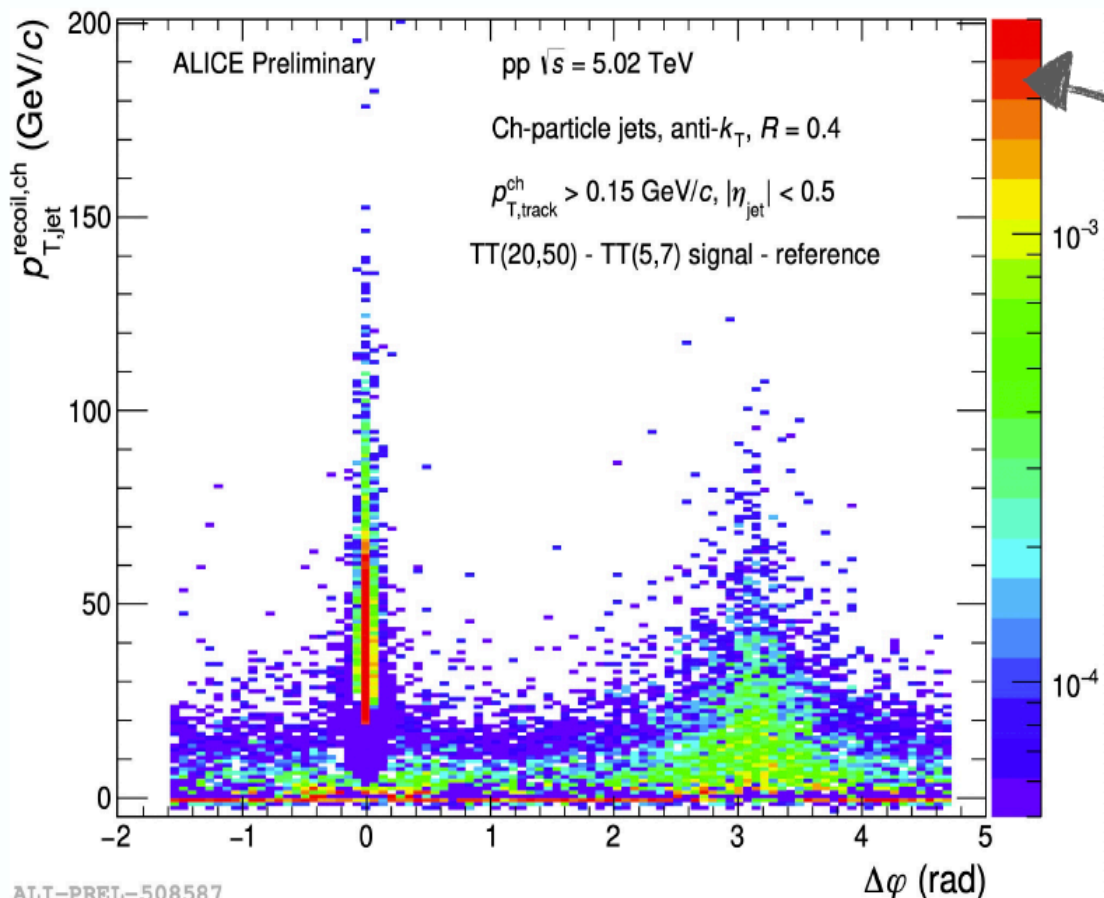
Example distribution



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- Modification of  $\Delta\phi$  distribution for recoil jets
- Medium-induced gluon radiation vs. multiple-scattering-like intra-jet?

# Analysis details

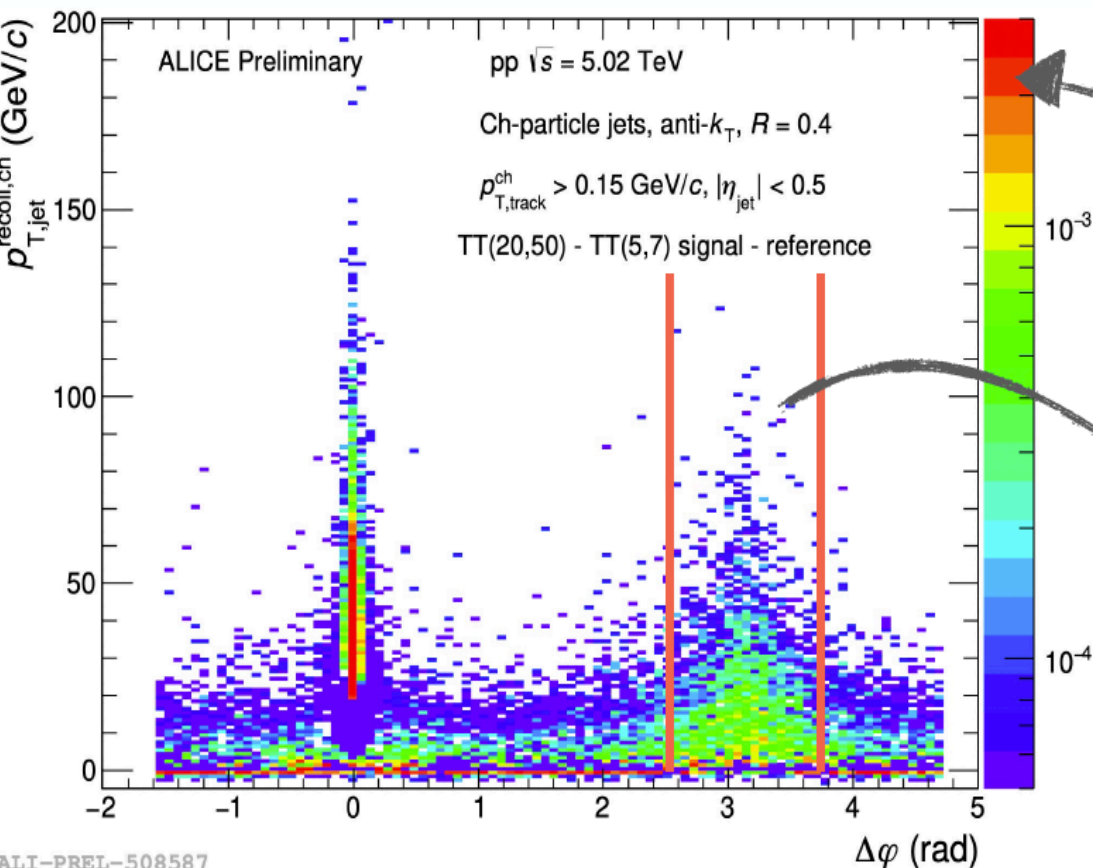


$$n \equiv \frac{1}{N_{trig}^{AA}} \frac{d^2 N_{jet}^{AA}}{dp_{T,ch}^{jet} d\eta_{jet}}$$

$$\Delta_{recoil} = n(p_{T, trig \in TT_{Sig}}) - c_{Ref} \cdot n(p_{T, trig \in TT_{Ref}})$$

SVD (and Bayesian) unfolding to correct for detector effects and (in the case of Pb-Pb) residual UE fluctuations

# Analysis details



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$$\Delta_{\text{recoil}} = n(p_{T, \text{trig}} \in \text{TT}_{\text{Sig}}) - c_{\text{Ref}} \cdot n(p_{T, \text{trig}} \in \text{TT}_{\text{Ref}})$$

projection onto  $p_{T, \text{ch}}^{\text{jet}}$  (with  $\Delta\phi$  cuts)

$\Delta_{\text{recoil}}$  vs  $p_{T, \text{ch}}^{\text{jet}}$

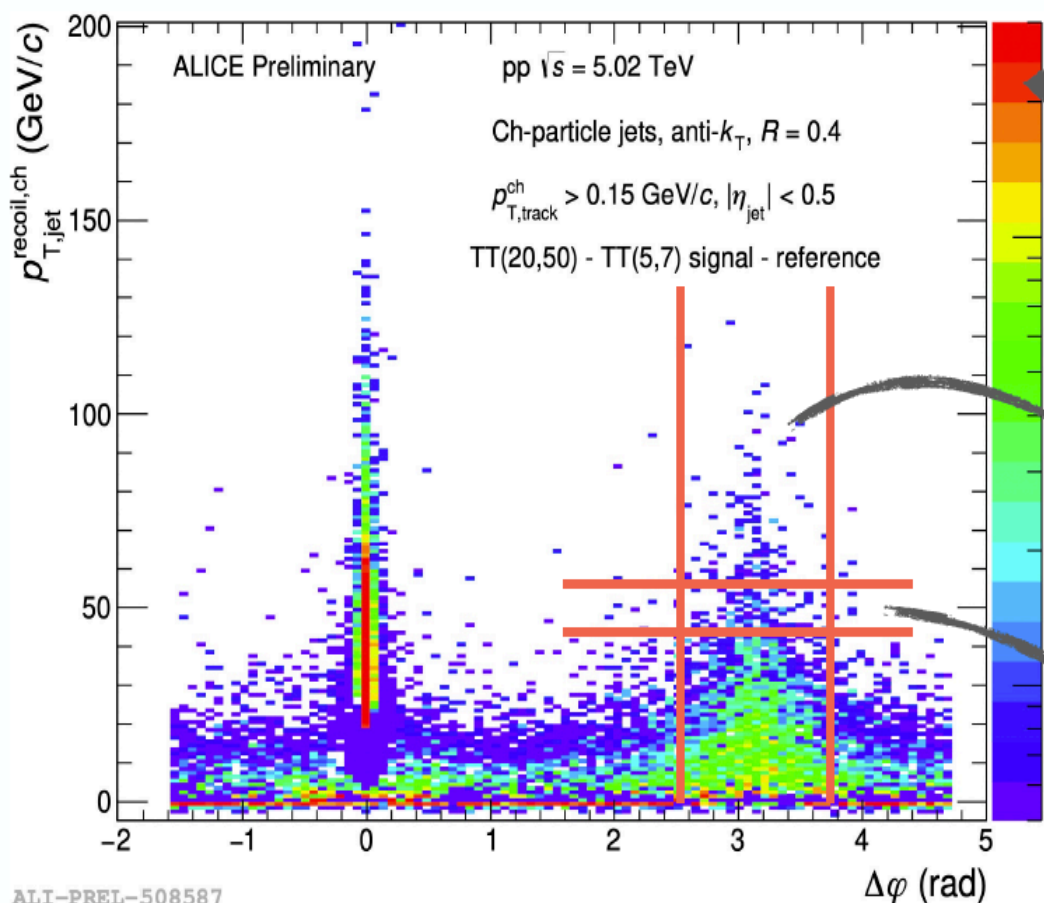
$$I_{\text{AA}} \equiv \frac{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{Pb} - \text{Pb})}{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{pp})}$$

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SVD (and Bayesian) unfolding to correct for detector effects and (in the case of Pb-Pb) residual UE fluctuations



# Analysis details



$$n \equiv \frac{1}{N_{\text{trig}}^{\text{AA}}} \frac{d^2 N_{\text{jet}}^{\text{AA}}}{dp_{T, \text{ch}}^{\text{jet}} d\eta_{\text{jet}}}$$

$$10^{-3} \Delta_{\text{recoil}} = n(p_{T, \text{trig}} \in \text{TT}_{\text{Sig}}) - c_{\text{Ref}} \cdot n(p_{T, \text{trig}} \in \text{TT}_{\text{Ref}})$$

projection onto  $p_{T, \text{ch}}^{\text{jet}}$  (with  $\Delta\phi$  cuts)

$\Delta_{\text{recoil}}$  vs  $p_{T, \text{ch}}^{\text{jet}}$

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projection onto  $\Delta\phi$  (with  $p_{T, \text{ch}}^{\text{jet}}$  cuts)

$\Delta_{\text{recoil}}$  vs  $\Delta\phi$

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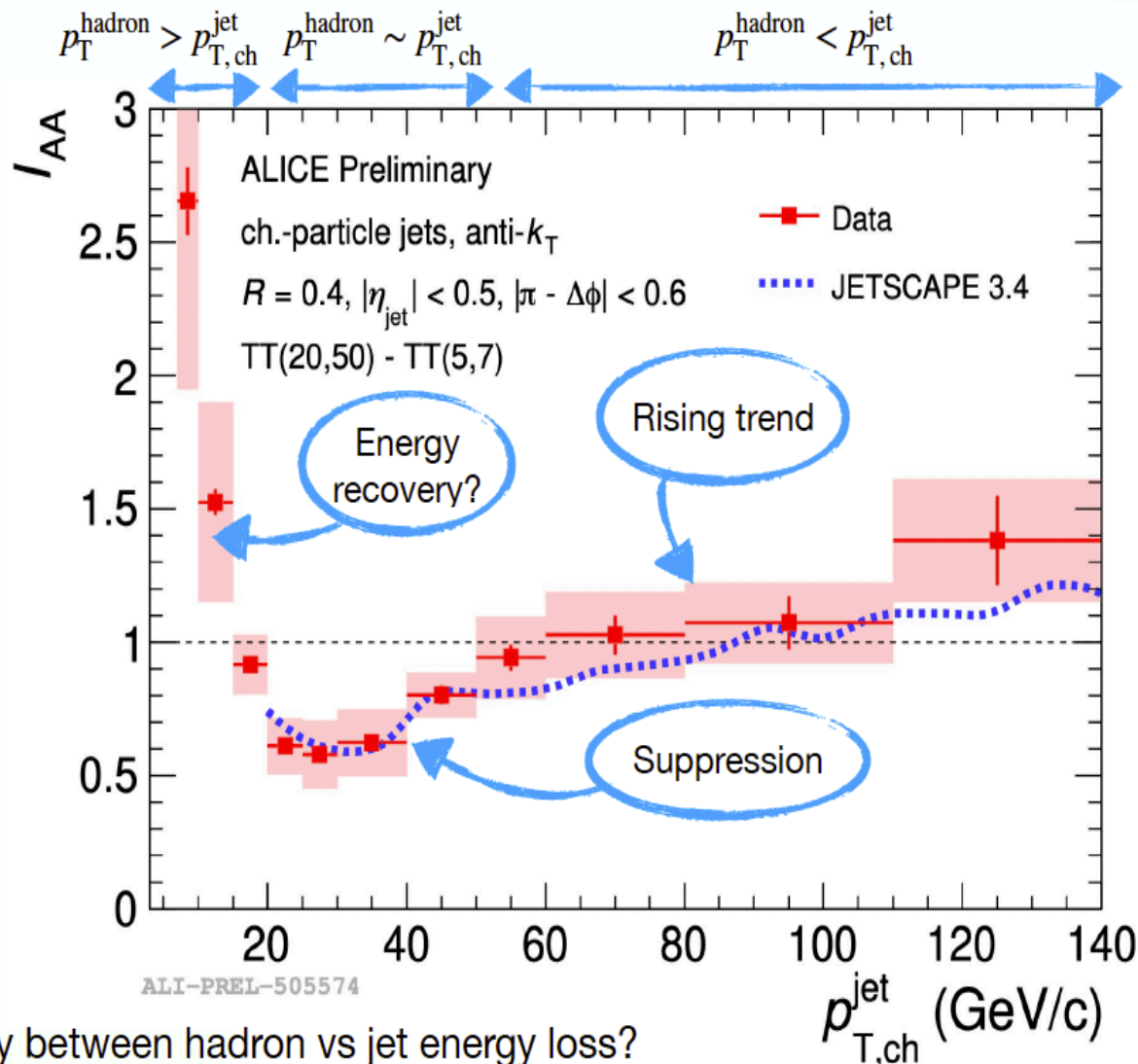
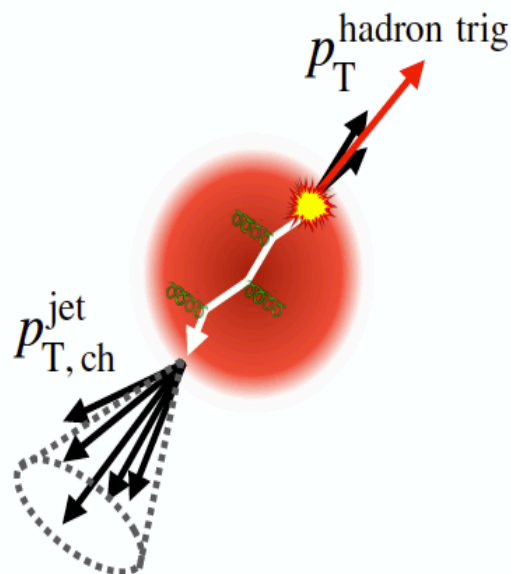
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# $I_{AA}$ results - energy redistribution



$$I_{AA} \equiv \frac{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{Pb} - \text{Pb})}{\Delta_{\text{recoil}}(\text{pp})}$$

JETSCAPE prediction in agreement with measurement



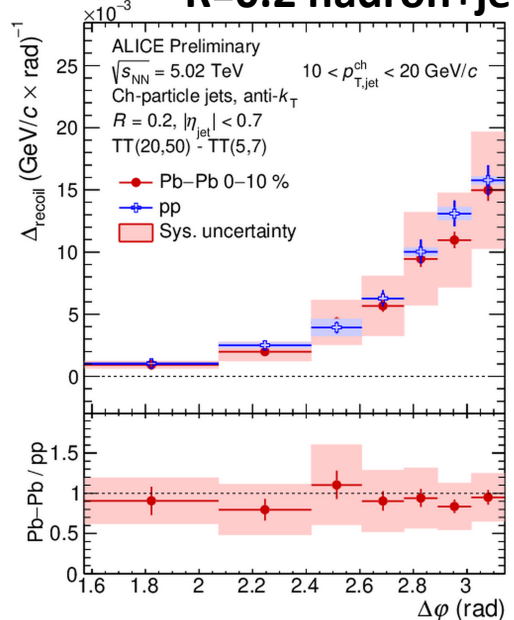
Interplay between hadron vs jet energy loss?

New!

# Jets in QGP medium: modification of the angular structure of recoil jets



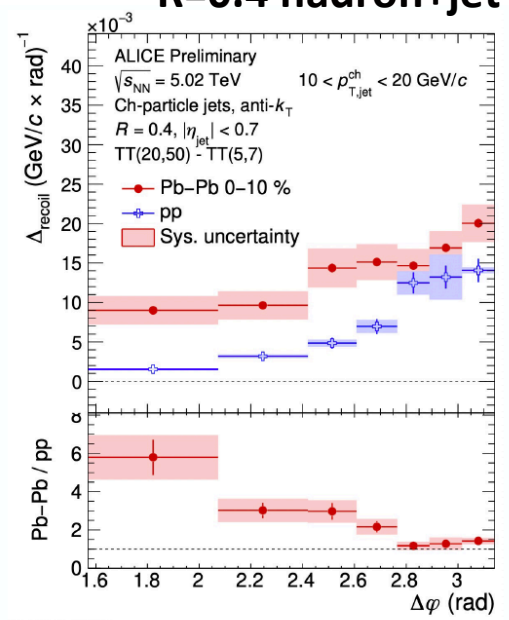
**R=0.2 hadron+jet**



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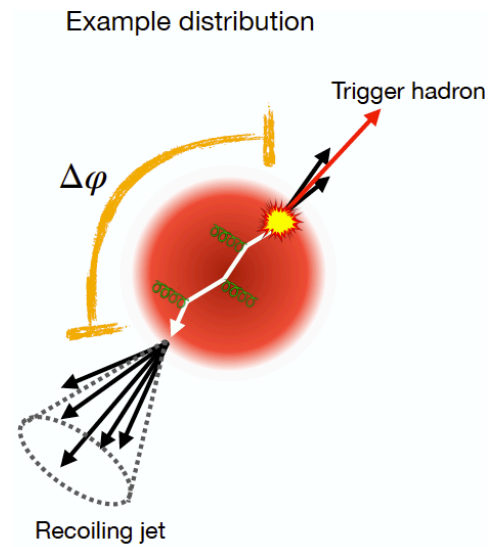
**R=0.4 hadron+jet**



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**pp and Pb-Pb collisions**

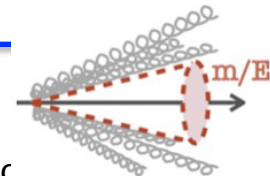


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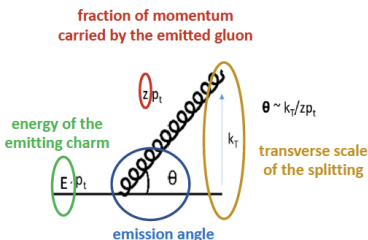
➤ Modification of  $\Delta\phi$  distribution for recoil jets

➤ At high  $p_T$ , the Pb-Pb and pp shapes are consistent within uncertainties.

➤ At low  $p_T$  (R=0.4), a significant azimuthal (in  $\Delta\phi$ ) broadening is seen in Pb-Pb collisions with respect to pp collisions.



# Heavy quark jets in QGP medium: dead cone effect



## Testing of QCD with parton showers

### Difference with QCD jet produced by a heavy quarks?

Yu.L.Dokshitzer, V.A. Khoze, S.I. Troyan: "It is the restriction on the phase space of emitting gluons cc the kinematics of a heavy quark  $Q = c, b, \dots$  . which determines the difference of the QCD jet produced by  $Q$  from that of ordinary light (practically massless) quarks  $q = u, d, s$  "

### The soft-gluon emission probability:

$$d\sigma_{Q \rightarrow Q+g} = \frac{\alpha_S}{\pi} C_F \frac{(2 \sin \Theta/2)^2 d(2 \sin \Theta/2)^2}{[(2 \sin \Theta/2)^2 + \Theta_0^2]^2} \frac{d\omega}{\omega} [1 + O(\Theta_0, \omega)] \quad (1)$$

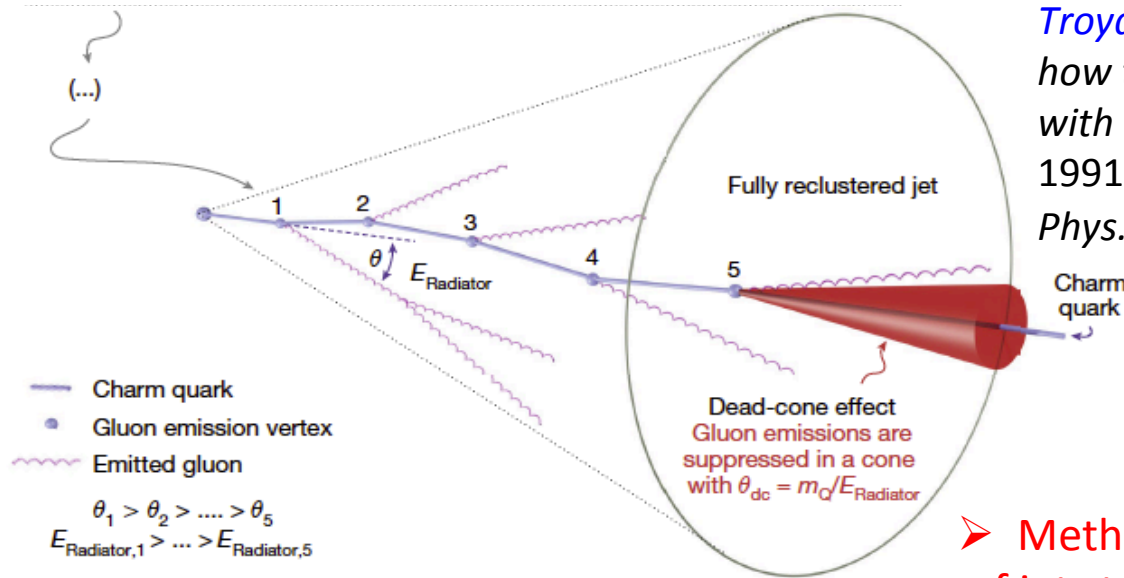
- "Considering the soft-gluon emission probability...(by a massive  $Q$ )... one concludes that the large logarithmic contribution comes only from the region of relatively large radiation angles  $\Theta \gg \Theta_0$ "
- "Since the differential cross section equation (1) vanishes in the forward direction, it is natural to call this region **the 'dead cone'**-the relatively depopulated cone around the  $Q$  direction with an opening angle  $\Theta - \Theta_0, \dots$  "

[1] Yu.L.Dokshitzer, V.A.Khoze, S.I.Troyan 1991 *J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys.* **17** 1602

# Direct observation of the dead-cone effect in quantum chromodynamics[1]

[1] ALICE Collab., Nature 605 (2022) 440-446, 19 May 2022

*Yu.L.Dokshitzer, V.A. Khoze, S.I. Troyan: "...Although it is not clear now how to visualize the dead cone directly with the current experiments, ..."*  
1991 J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. **17** 1602



- Method used: iterative declustering of jets tagged with a fully reconstructed charmed (D0) hadron.
- New declustering technique [2,3]

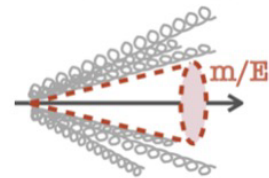
[2]. Frye, C., Larkoski, et al., Casimir meets Poisson: improved quark/gluon discrimination with counting observables. J. High Energy Phys. 9, 083(2017).

[3]. Dreyer, F. A., Salam, G. P. & Soyez, G. The Lund jet plane. J. High Energy Phys. 12, 064 (2018).

# Heavy quark jets in QGP medium: dead cone effect

## Difference with QCD jet produced by a heavy quarks?

- Yu L Dokshitzer: “It is the restriction on the phase space of emitting gluons connected with the kinematics of a heavy quark  $Q = c, b, \dots$ ”
- Angular region with size  $m_Q/E_Q$  within which emissions are suppressed



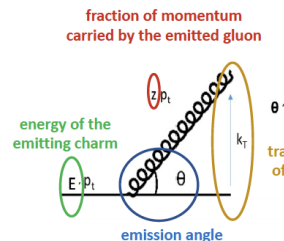
The observable used to reveal the dead cone is built by constructing the ratio of the splitting angle ( $\theta$ ) distributions for D0-meson tagged jets and inclusive jets.

D0-meson tagged jets:

$$R(\theta) = \frac{1}{N^{D^0 \text{ jets}}} \frac{dn^{D^0 \text{ jets}}}{d\ln(1/\theta)} / \frac{1}{N^{\text{inclusive jets}}} \frac{dn^{\text{inclusive jets}}}{d\ln(1/\theta)} \Bigg|_{k_T, E_{\text{Radiator}}}$$

Inclusive jets:

$$R(\theta)_{\text{no dead-cone limit}} = \frac{1}{N^{\text{LQ jets}}} \frac{dn^{\text{LQ jets}}}{d\ln(1/\theta)} / \frac{1}{N^{\text{inclusive jets}}} \frac{dn^{\text{inclusive jets}}}{d\ln(1/\theta)} \Bigg|_{k_T, E_{\text{Radiator}}}$$



[1] Yu.L.Dokshitzer, V.A. Khoze, S.I. Troyan, Specific QCD properties of heavy quark fragmentation. 1991 J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 17 1602 (1999)

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# Dead cone effect: ratios $R(\theta)$ of splitting angle probability distribution (pp collisions, $\sqrt{s}=13$ TeV)

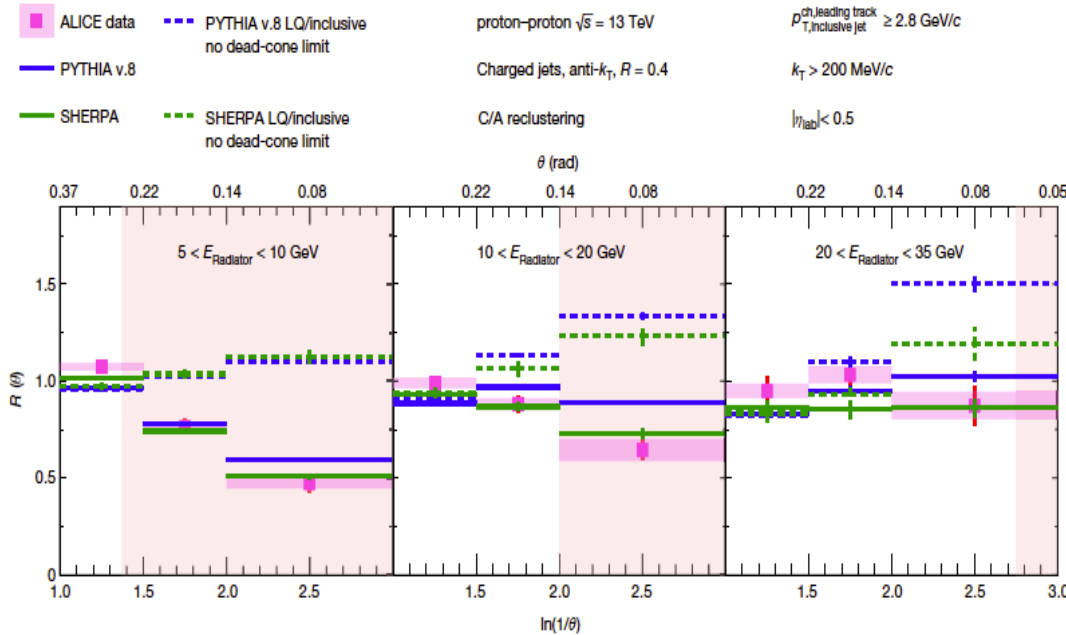
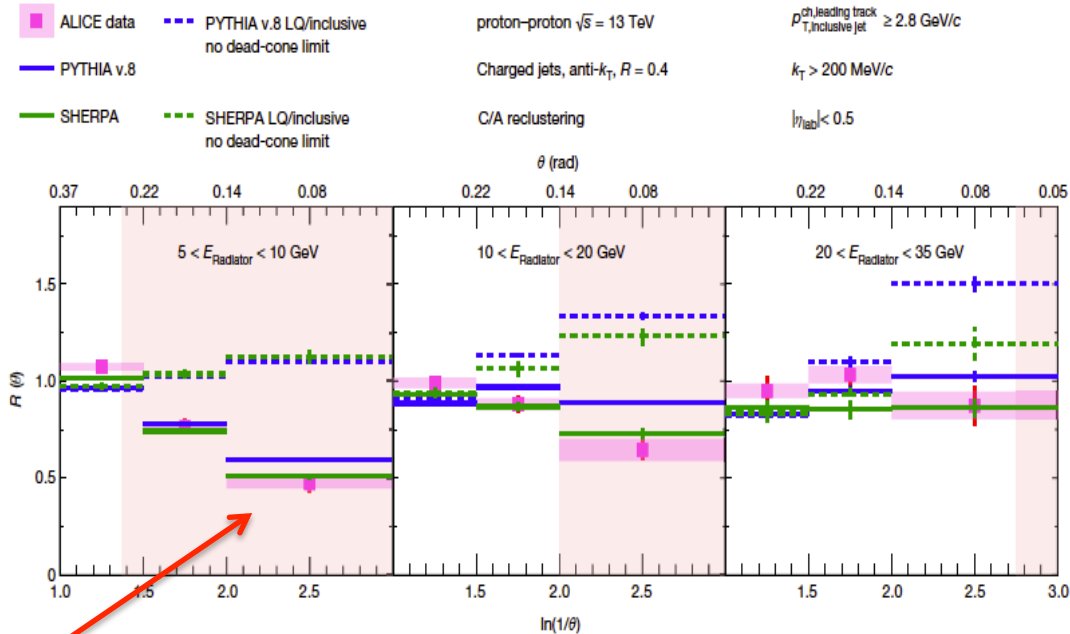


Fig. 2 Ratios of splitting angle probability distributions.

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# Dead cone effect: ratios $R(\theta)$ of splitting angle probability distribution (pp collisions, $\sqrt{s}=13$ TeV)



➤ A significant suppression in the rate of small-angle splittings is observed in D0-meson tagged jets relative to the inclusive jets

Fig. 2 Ratios of splitting angle probability distributions.

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- Novel instrument for QCD studies of influence of mass effects on jet properties
- Future: the dead cone of beauty jets tagged with a reconstructed beauty hadron



✓ Strangeness and charm

in collisions of large and small systems

✧ **Strangeness in  $pp$ ,  $p$ - $Pb$  and  $Pb$ - $Pb$  collisions at midrapidity**

New!

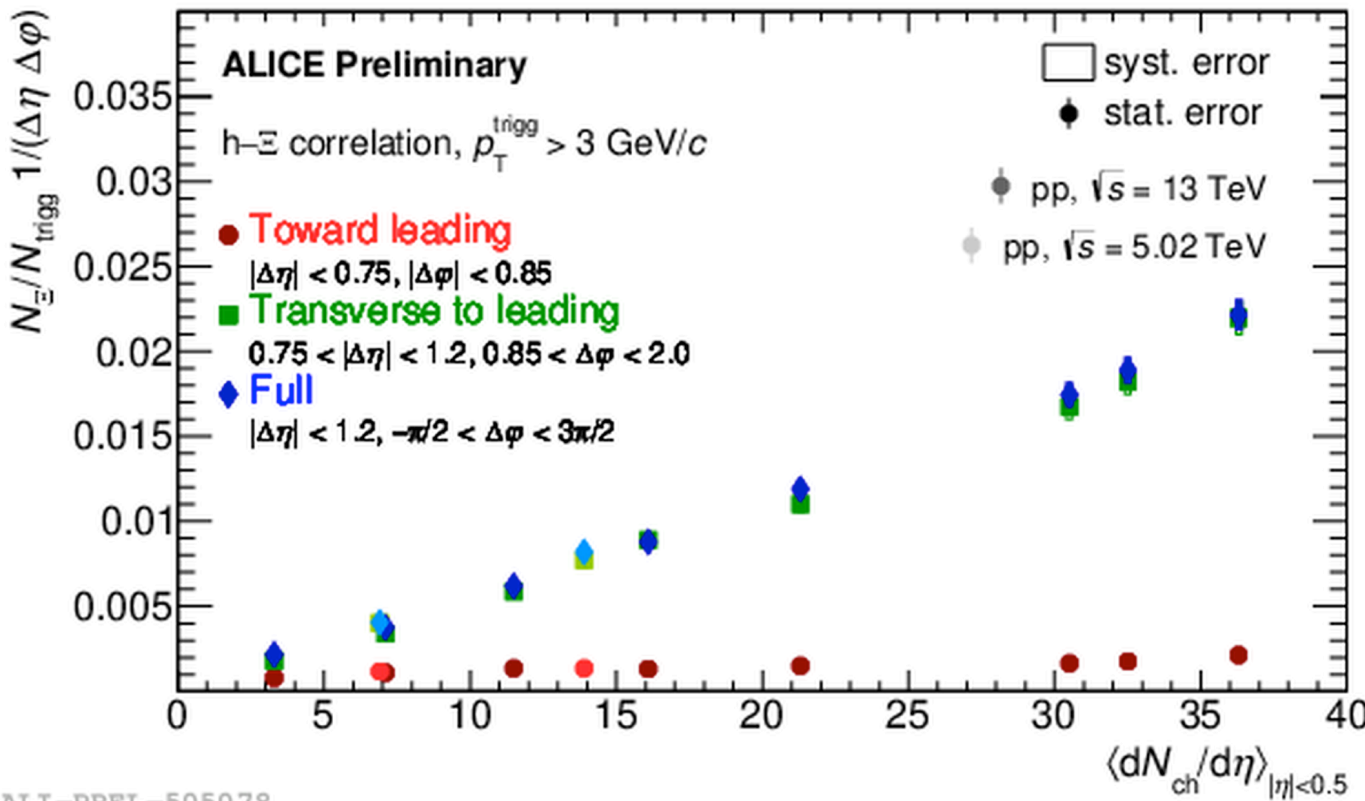
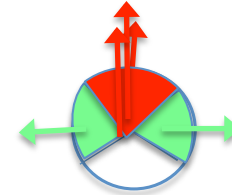
# Strangeness production in jets

## and out of jets



pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV and  $\sqrt{s}=5.02$  TeV

$\Xi$  vs. multiplicity



Near-side jet,  
out-of-jet  
and full yield of  $\Xi$   
vs. multiplicity

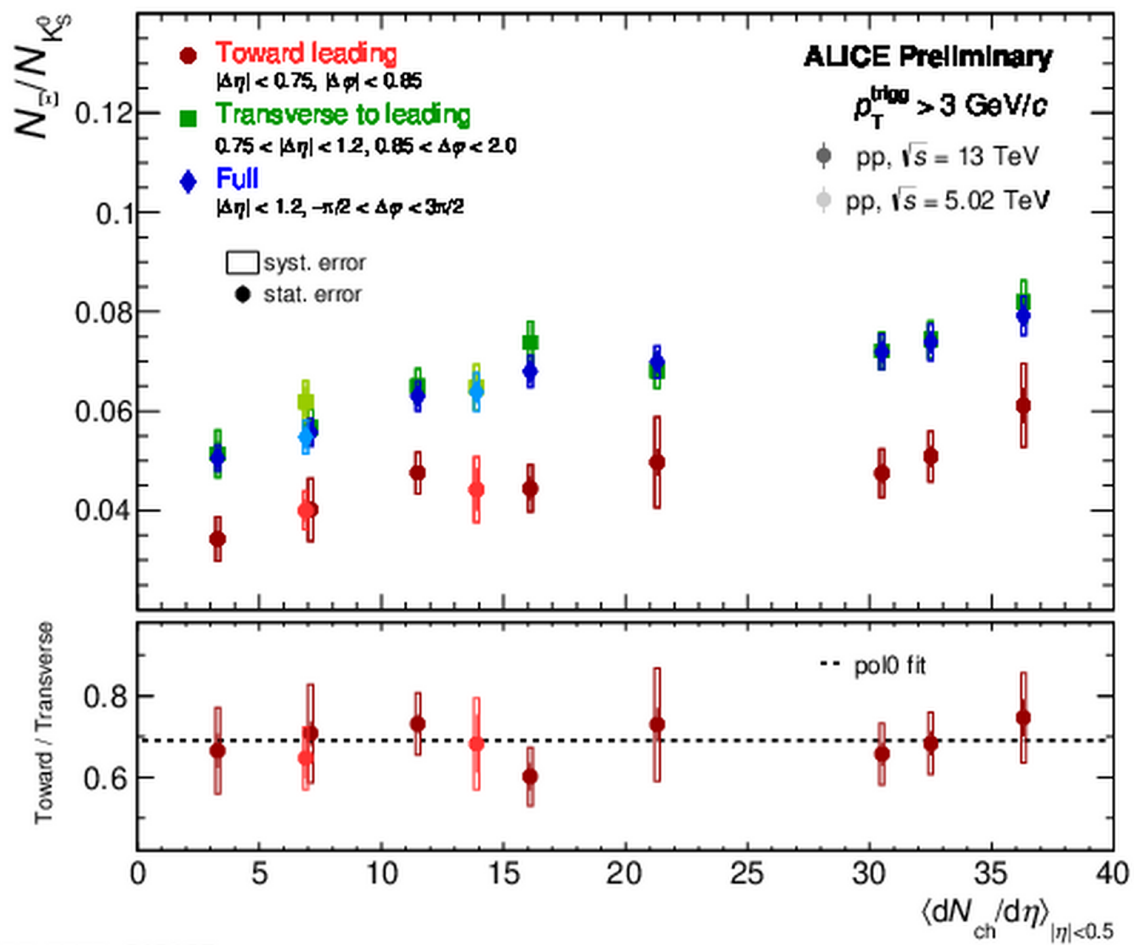
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- For  $\Xi$  mesons the near-side leading jet yield is practically flat with multiplicity
- Linear growth of  $\Xi$  yield with multiplicity in transverse to leading

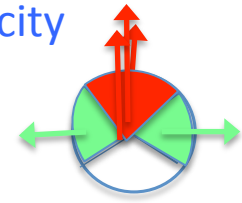
New!

# Strangeness production in jets

## and out of jets



$\Xi/K_s^0$  ratios vs. multiplicity



Near-side jet, out-of-jet and inclusive  $\Xi/K_s^0$  yield ratios vs. multiplicity of charged particles

➤ A weak dependence on multiplicity in both cases

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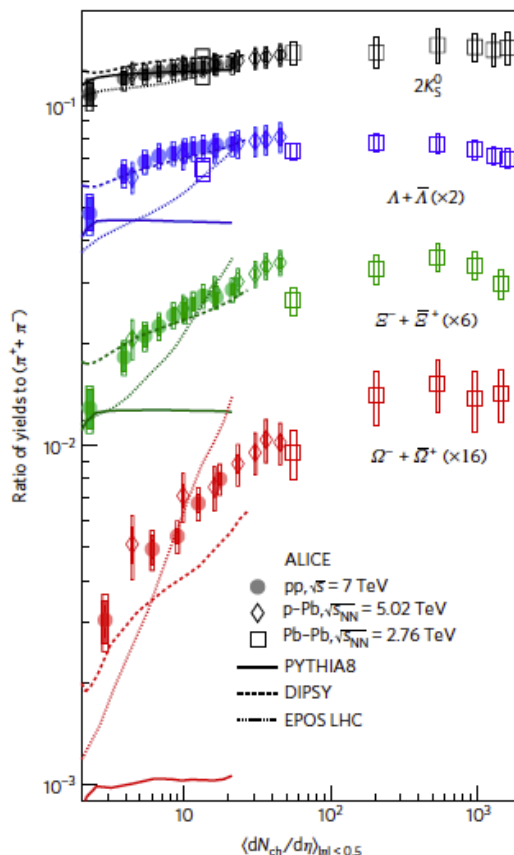
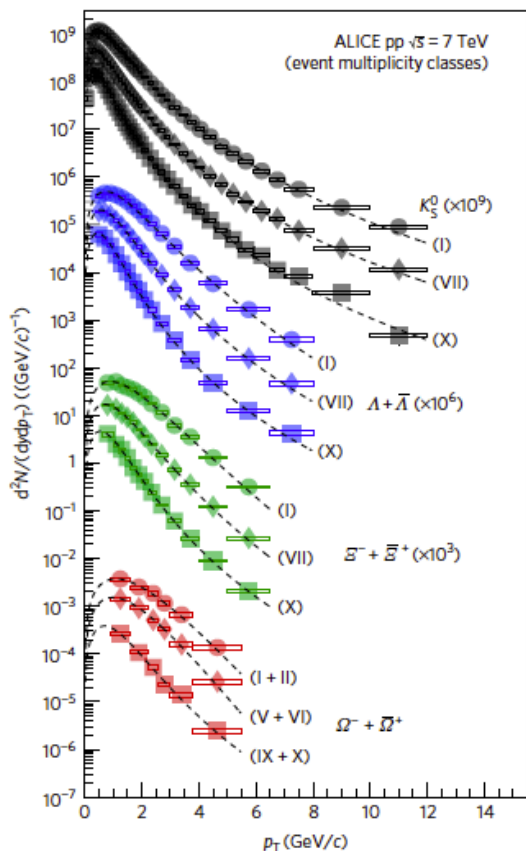
# Enhanced production of multi-strange particles in high-multiplicity pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions



Nature Physics 13,535–539 (2017)

$p_T$ -integrated yield ratios to pions ( $\pi^+ + \pi^-$ ) as a function of  $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$  measured in  $|y| < 0.5$ .

## $p_T$ -differential yields



## pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions

- The enhancement is larger for particles with larger strangeness content
- No dependence on the LHC collision energy
- Striking similarities in strangeness production for large and small systems
- Origin of strangeness enhancement?

# $p_T$ -differential yields of $K^0_s, \Lambda, \Xi$ and $\Omega$ in pp collisions at 7 TeV

(DOI:10.1038/NPHYS/4111)

*NB! The data are scaled by different factors to improve the visibility*

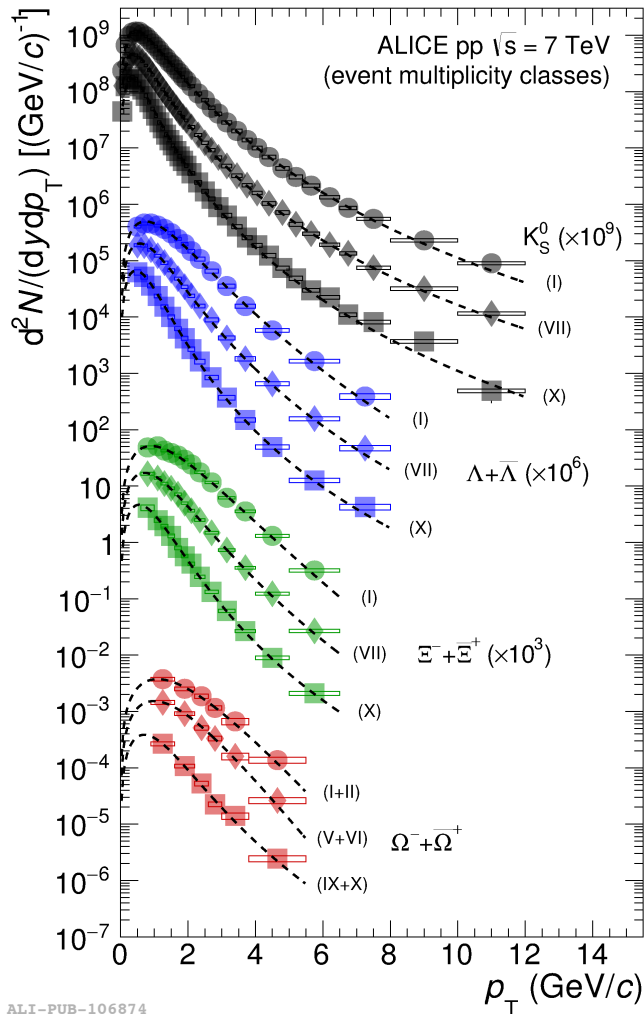
Some observations:

- hardening of  $p_T$  spectra with increasing multiplicity
- the hardening of  $p_T$  spectra is more pronounced for higher-mass particles
- the appearance of collective behaviour at high multiplicity - ?
- particle emission from a collectively expanding thermal source - ?

U.Heinz, <https://inspirehep.net/record/714564>

Some event multiplicity classes in pp collisions, 7 TeV

Class name	I	...	VII	...	X
$\sigma / \sigma_{inel} > 0$	0 - 0.95%		28 - 38%		68 - 100%
$\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$	21.3+0.6		6.72+0.21		2.26+0.01



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# $p_T$ -integrated yield ratios to pions as a function of the $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$

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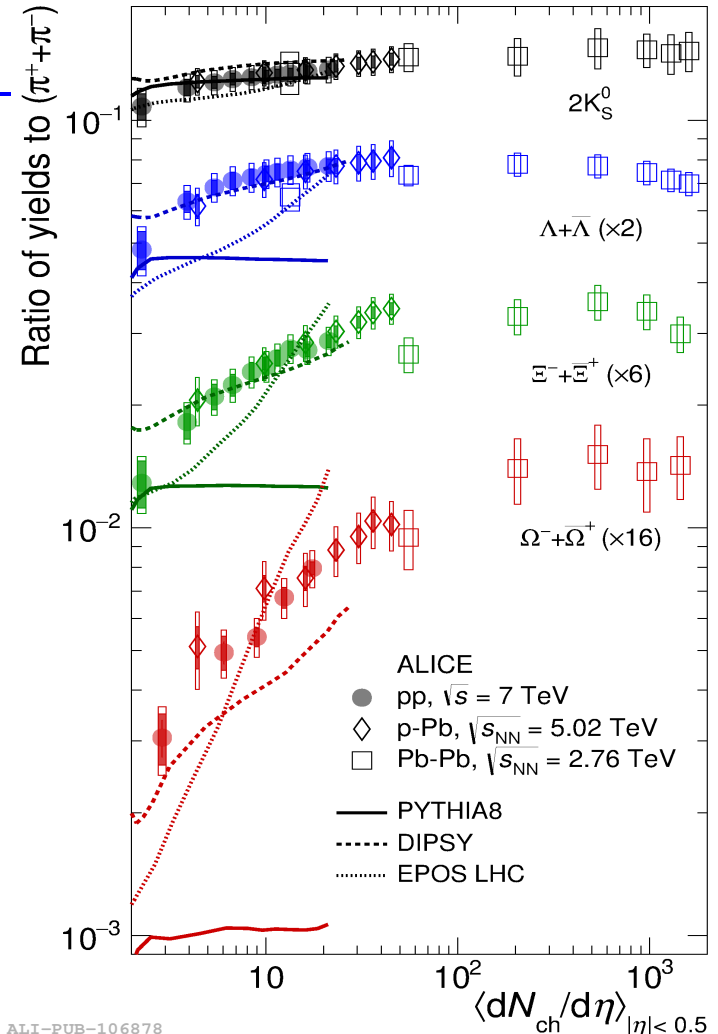
- A significant enhancement of strange to non-strange hadron production with increasing particle multiplicity in pp collisions.
- Smooth behavior of particle ratios with the  $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$  regardless of colliding system and energy
- DIPSY rope hadronization model [1,2] is providing the best description
- PYTHIA8 [3] fails completely

[1] C.Bierlich, G.Gustafson, L.Lonnblad, A.Tarasov, <https://inspirehep.net/record/1335149> (2015)

[2] Bierlich, C. & Christiansen, J. R. *Phys. Rev. D* **92**, 094010 (2015).

[3] Sjöstrand, T., Mrenna, S. & Skands, P. Z. *Comput. Phys. Commun.* **178**, 852–867 (2008).

[4] EPOS LHC: [T. Pierog et al.](#), *Phys. Rev. C* **92**, 034906 (2015).



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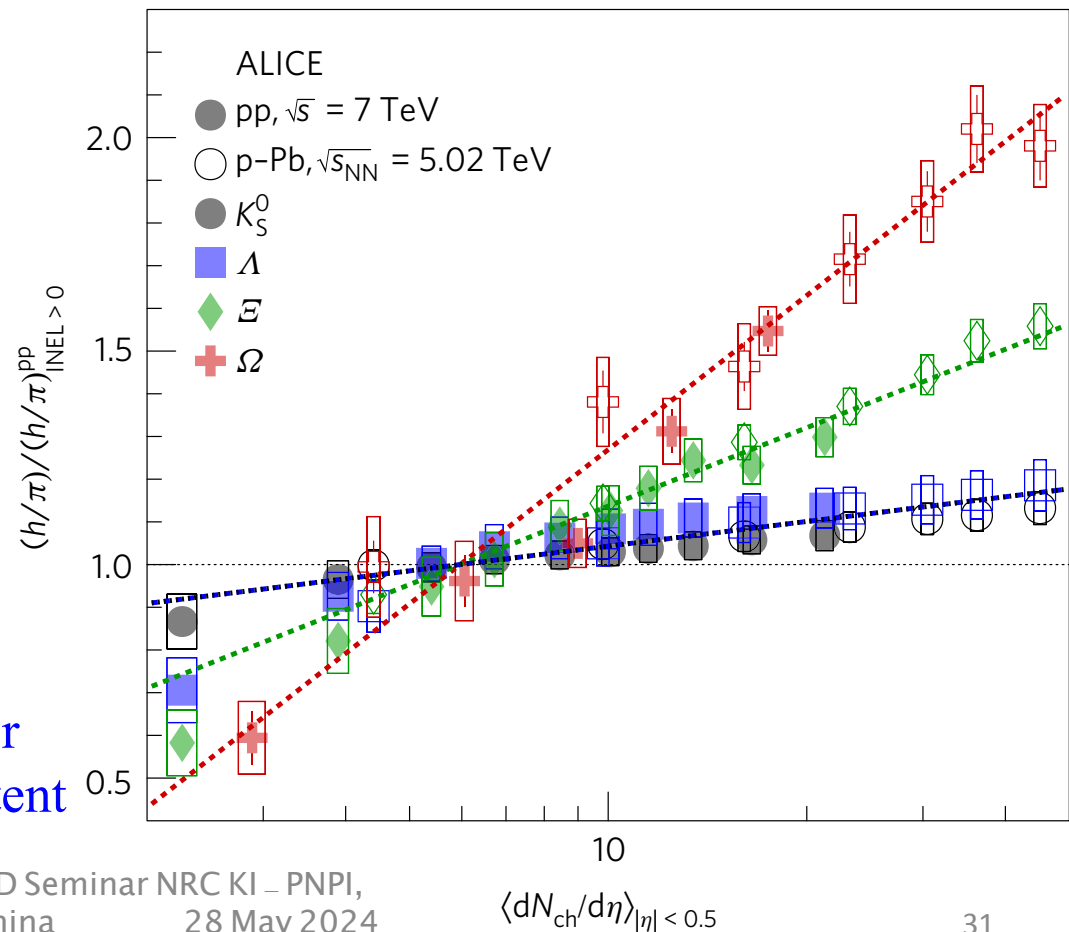
# The hadron strangeness hierarchy in pp and p-Pb collisions

$$\frac{(h/\pi)}{(h/\pi)_{\text{INEL}>0}^{\text{pp}}} = 1 + a S^b \log \left[ \frac{\langle dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta \rangle}{\langle dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta \rangle_{\text{INEL}>0}^{\text{pp}}} \right]$$

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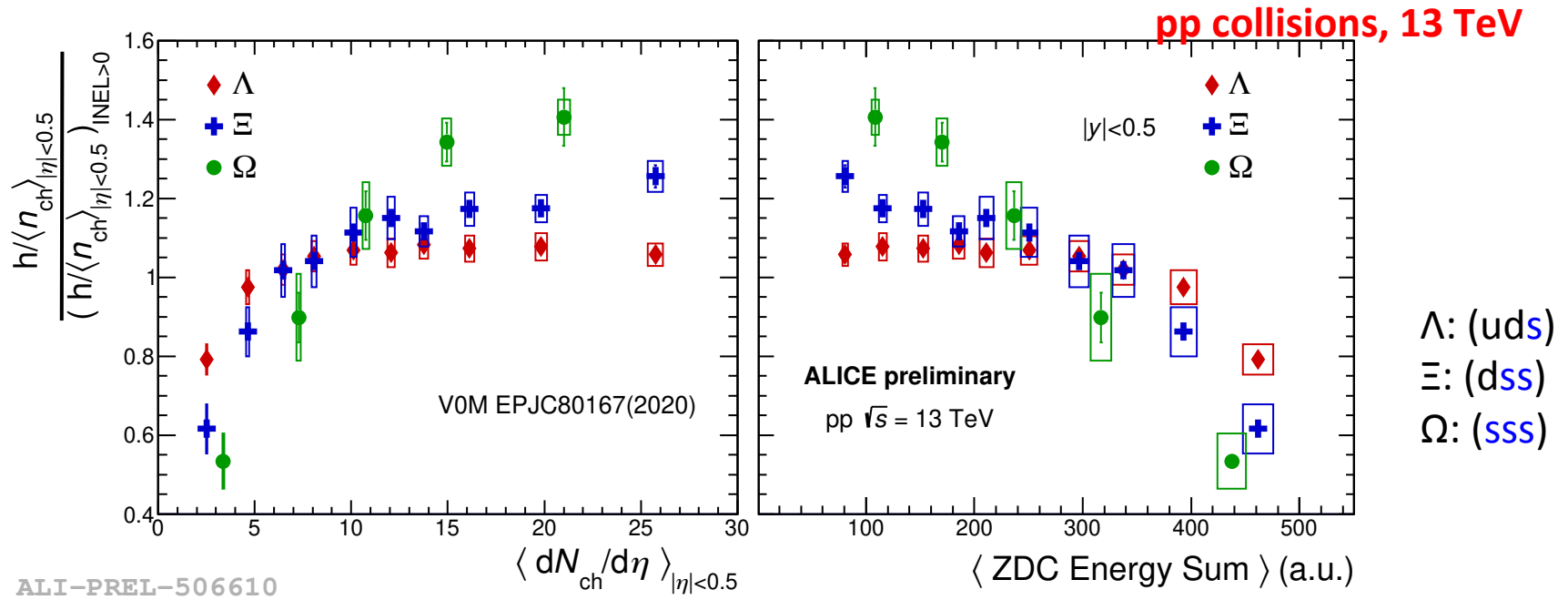
- $S$  is the number of strange or anti-strange valence quarks
- $a$  and  $b$  are free parameters:  
 $a = 0.083 \pm 0.006$ ,  
 $b = 1.67 \pm 0.09$

➤ No enhancement with the  $\langle dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta \rangle$  is observed for particles with no strange quark content



New!

# Strangeness at midrapidity vs multiplicity and effective energy

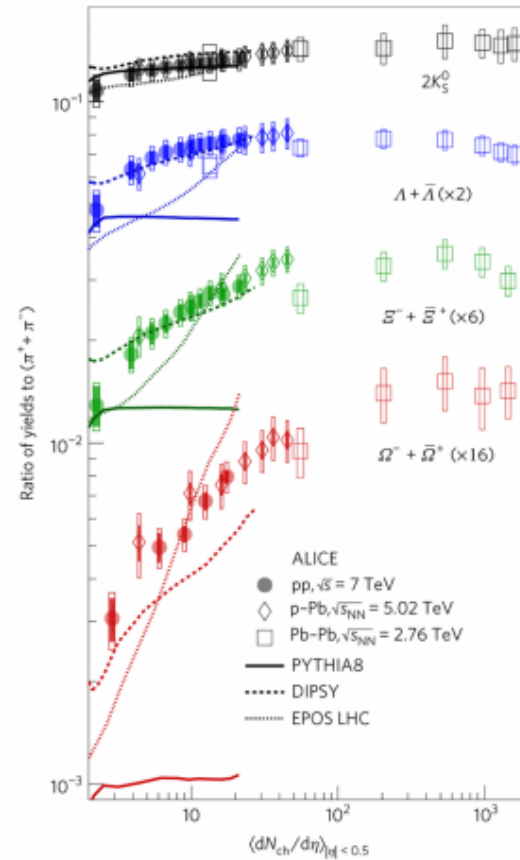
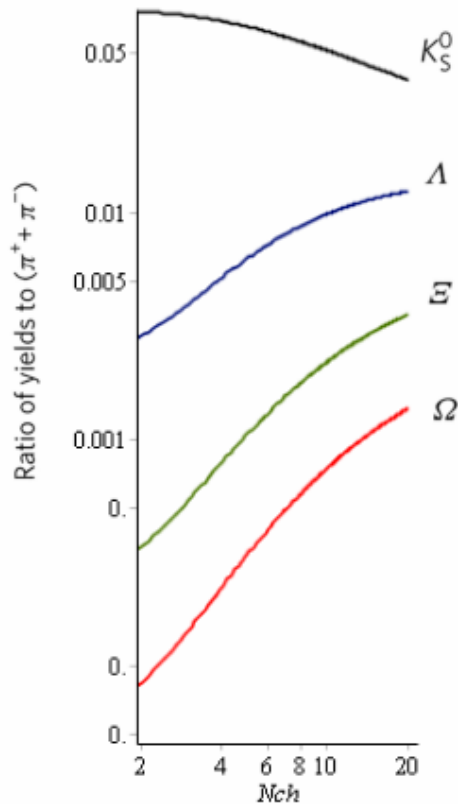


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- $\Lambda$ ,  $\Xi$  and  $\Omega$  production vs midrapidity multiplicity -(left) and vs. energy deposited in ALICE's Zero Degree Calorimeters (ZDC) -(right)
- Yields of multistrange baryons are anticorrelated with the forward energy, measured by ZDC
- **Correlated with the effective energy** available in the event for particle production
- **Role of the initial stages and number of partonic collisions (MPI) in strangeness production?**



# Some theoretical approaches: Multi-Pomeron Exchange Model with *string fusion*



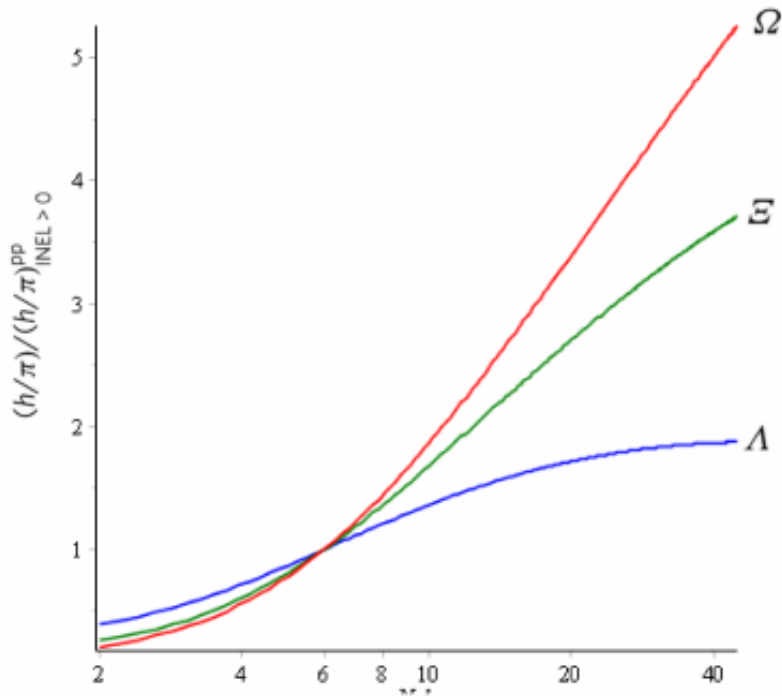
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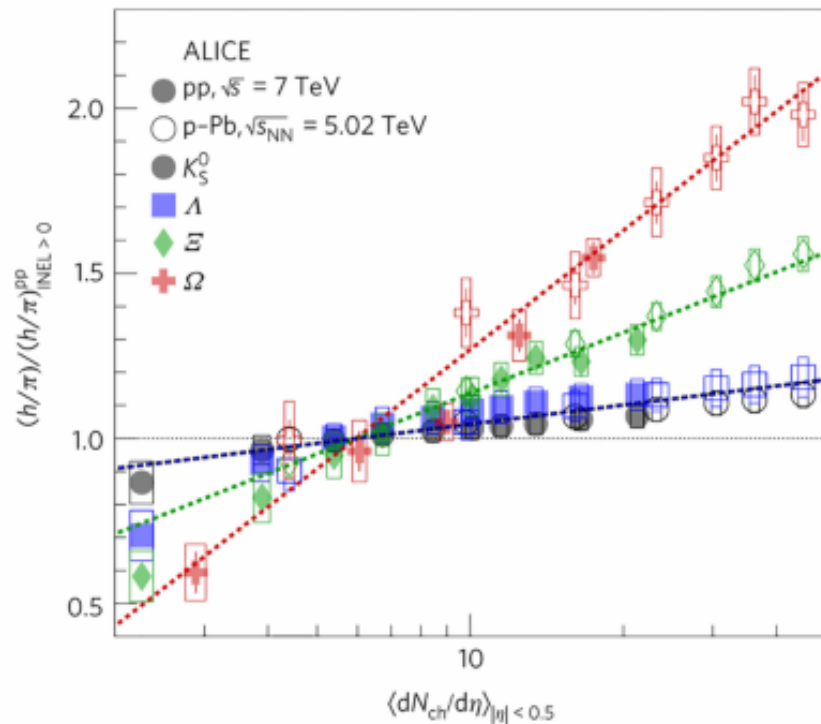
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# Some theoretical approaches:

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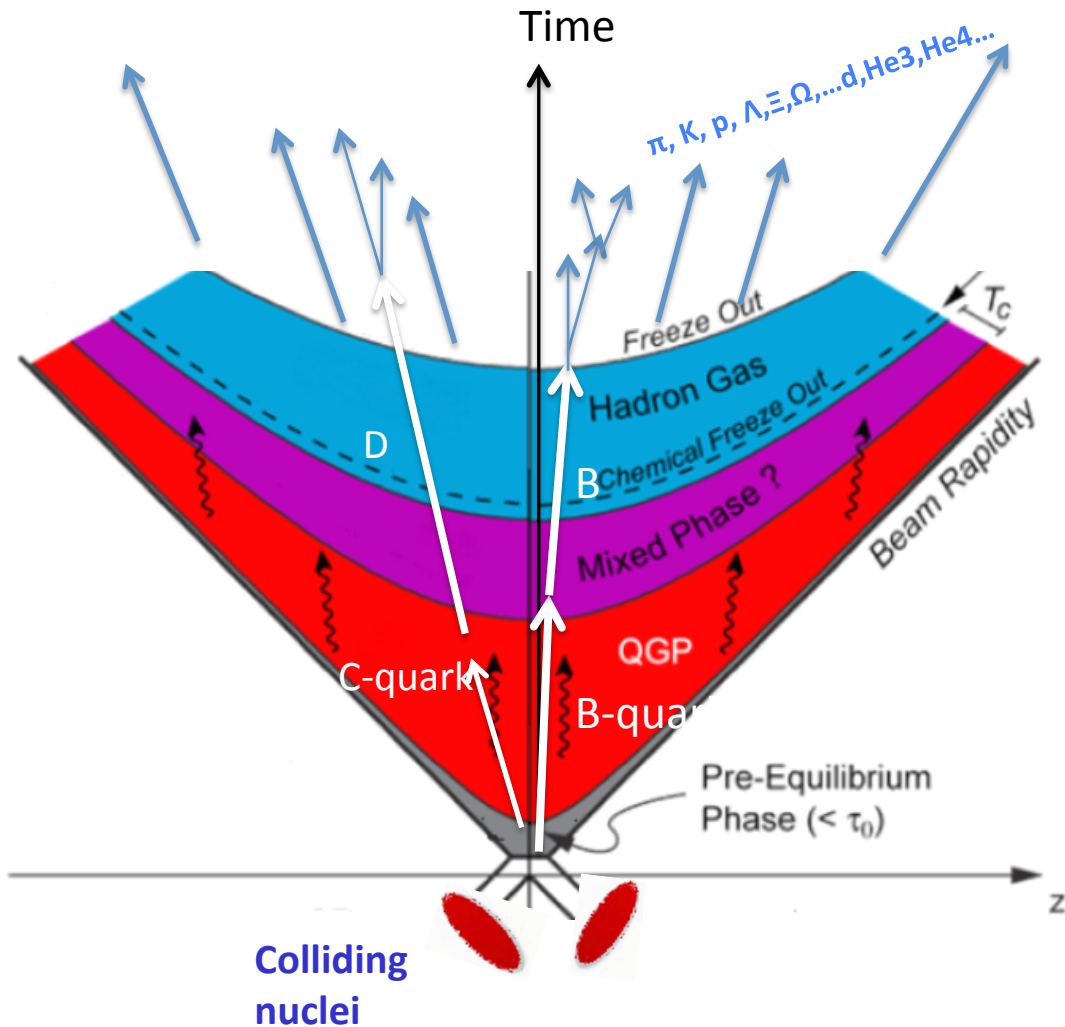
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✓ Strangeness and charm

in collisions of large and small systems

✧ **Charm in pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions**

# Charm in pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions



## Why open heavy flavour is interesting?

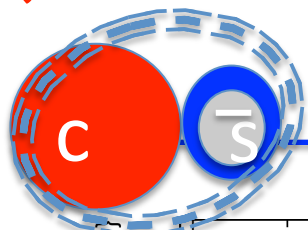
- ✓ Production is relevant to early stages of collision
- ✓ Theoretical calculation of production in perturbative QCD
- ✓ Transport of c-quark through the medium: collisions and radiative e-losses?
- ✓ Hadronisation mechanism?

## Charm measurements in ALICE:

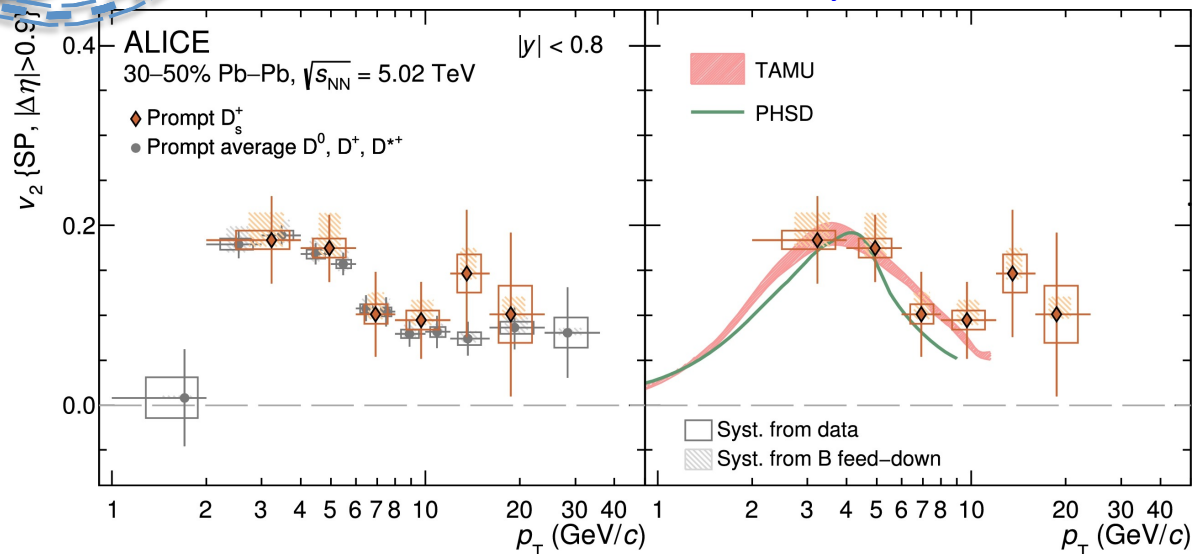
D-mesons ( $D^0, D^+, D_s^+, D^*$ ) and charm baryons ( $\Lambda_c^+, \Sigma_c^{++}, \Sigma_c^+, \Sigma_c^0, \Xi_c^+, \Xi_c^0, \Xi_c^-, \Omega_c^0$ )

New!

# Flow of prompt $D_s^+$ -mesons in Pb-Pb collisions



Physics Letters B 827 (2022)

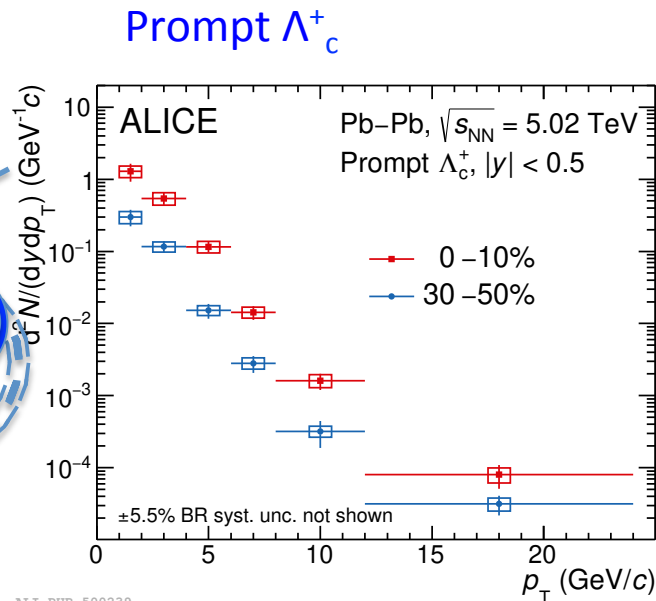
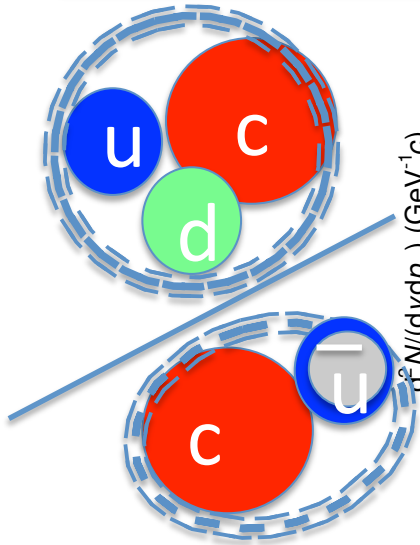


Pb–Pb collisions

- For prompt  $D_s^+$  mesons  $v_2$  is compatible with that of non-strange D mesons
- Charm participates in collective expansion/motion: noticeable elliptic flow is in line with TAMU and PHSD models with charm-quark coalescence
- Future data samples will be collected in Run 3 extended to lower  $p_T$  with the upgraded ALICE detector

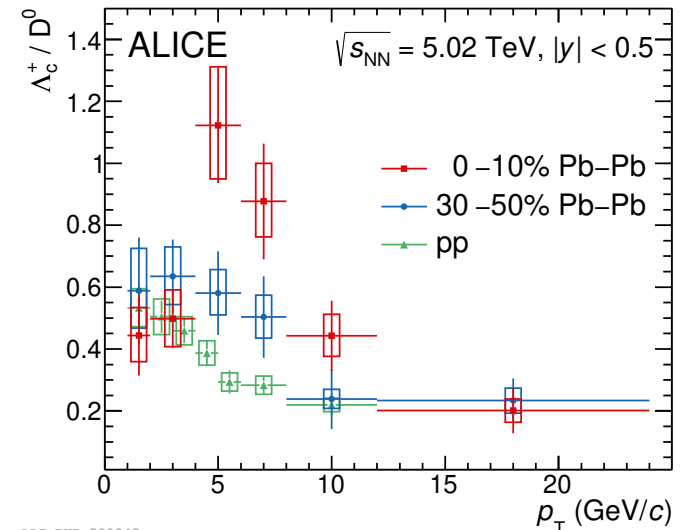
New!

# Constraining hadronization mechanisms with $\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$ production ratios



The  $p_T$ -differential production yields of prompt  $\Lambda_c^+$  in central (0-10%) and mid-central (30-50%) Pb-Pb collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV.

$\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$  pp and Pb-Pb collisions



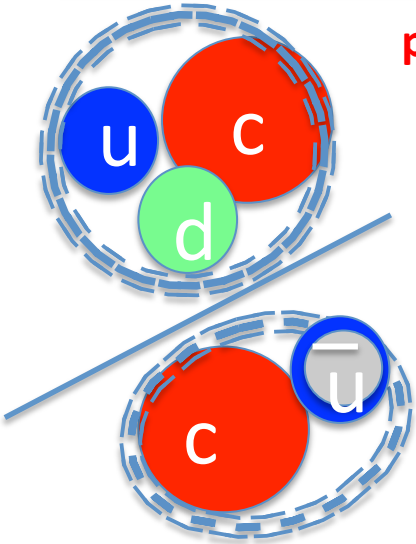
The  $\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$  ratio in central and mid-central Pb-Pb collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV compared with the results obtained from pp collisions [1]

➤  $\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$  - ratio is sensitive to hadronisation mechanism

[1] ALICE Collaboration, S. Acharya et al., Phys. Rev. C 104 (2021) 054905.

New!

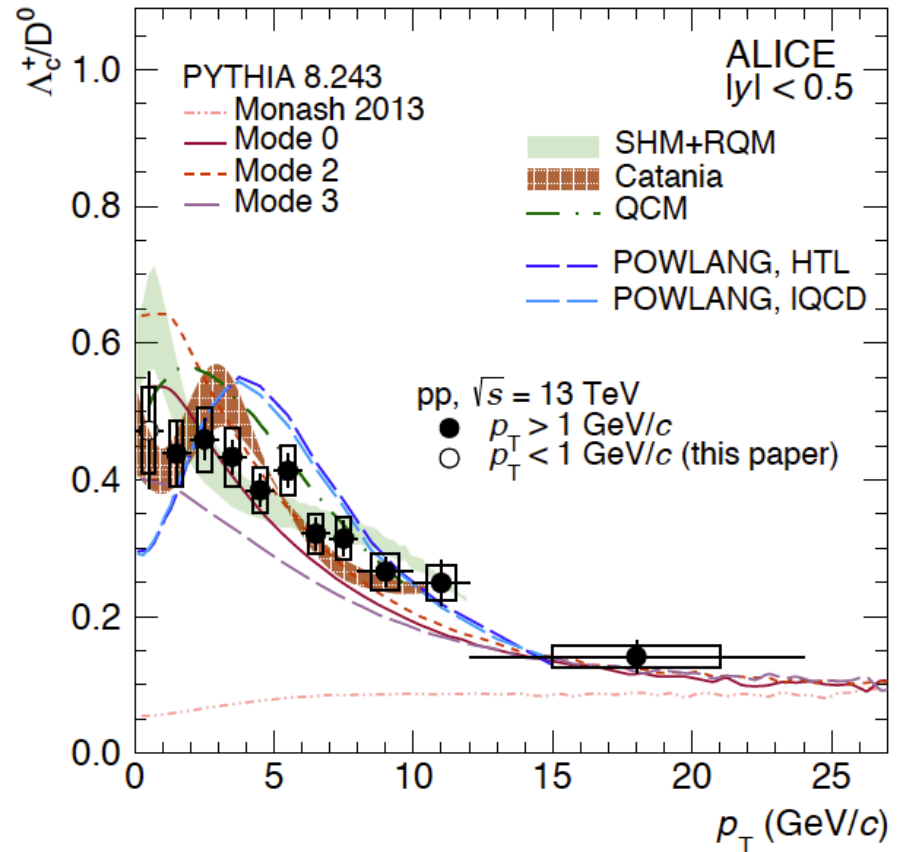
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## p-p collisions

The  $\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$  ratio as a function of  $p_T$  is measured in p-p collisions at 7 TeV (Run1), 5.02 TeV (Run2) and at 13 TeV. It is also measured in p-Pb collisions at 5.02 TeV (Run2) and compared with models.

- Behavior is similar to Pb—Pb case
- $\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$  - ratio is sensitive to hadronisation mechanism
- So far, standard hadronization models fail to reproduce the baryon enhancement[1].



[1] ALICE Collaboration, JHEP 12 (2023) 086. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.04877>,

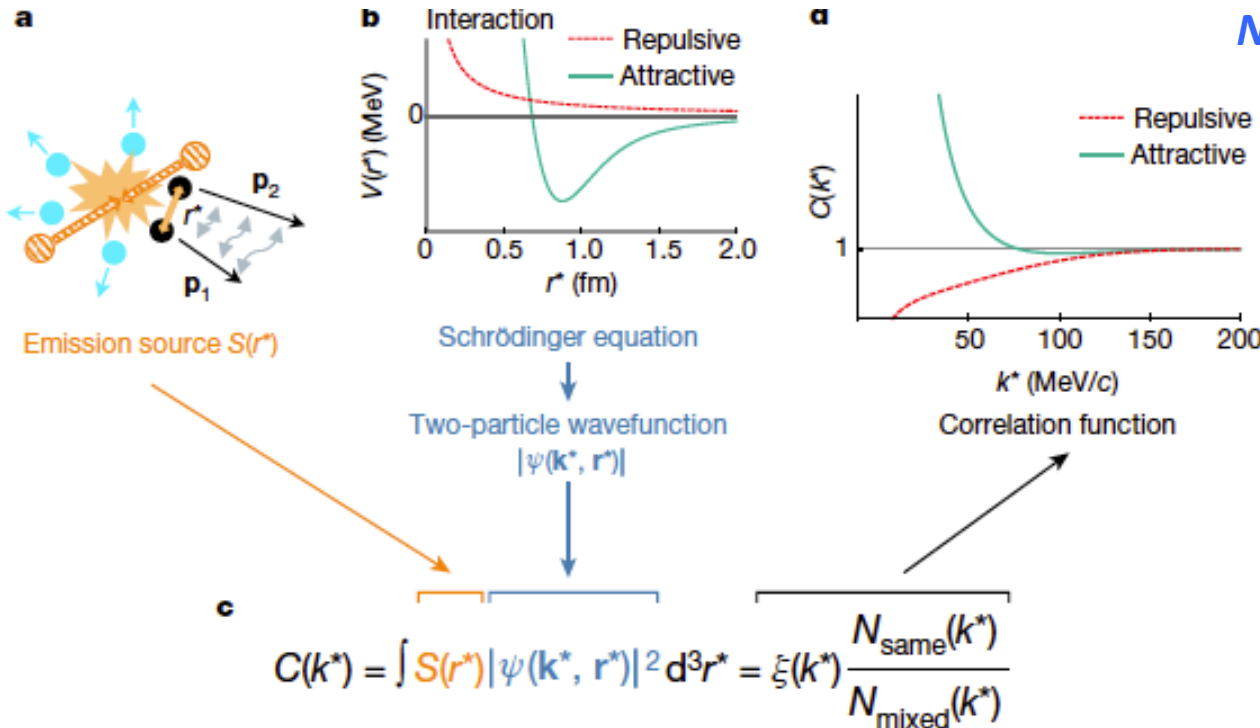
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✓ Two-body scattering involving strange and charm hyperons



# Two-body scattering and study of strong interaction involving *strange* hyperons

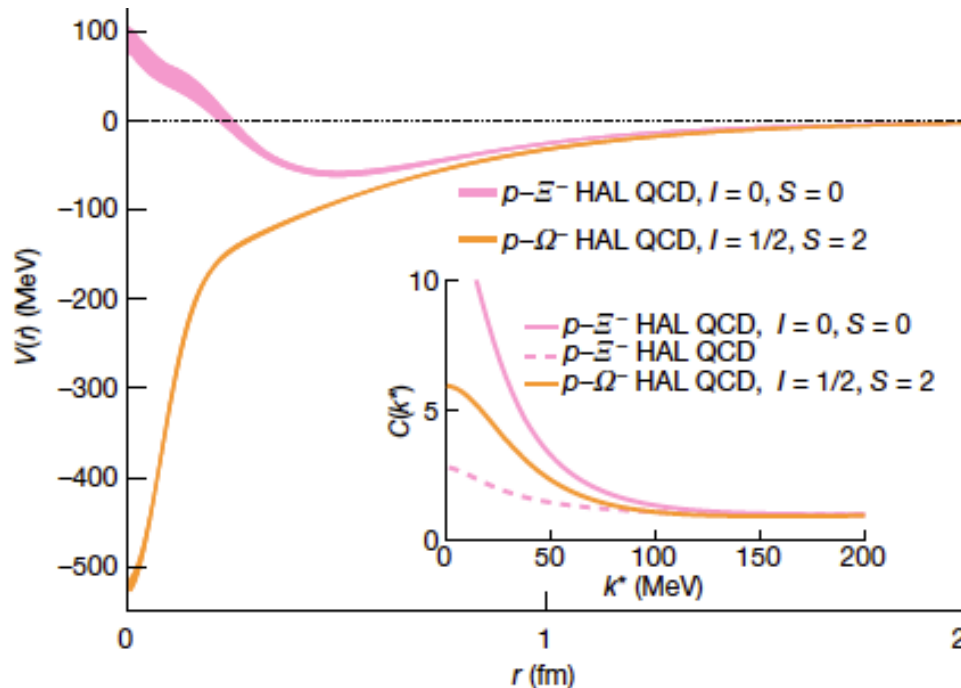
*Nature* 588, 232–238 (2020)



- Absence of interaction  $C(k^*) = 1$
- Attractive potential  $C(k^*) > 1$
- Repulsive potential  $C(k^*) < 1$
- Bound-state formation  $C(k^*) \ll 1$

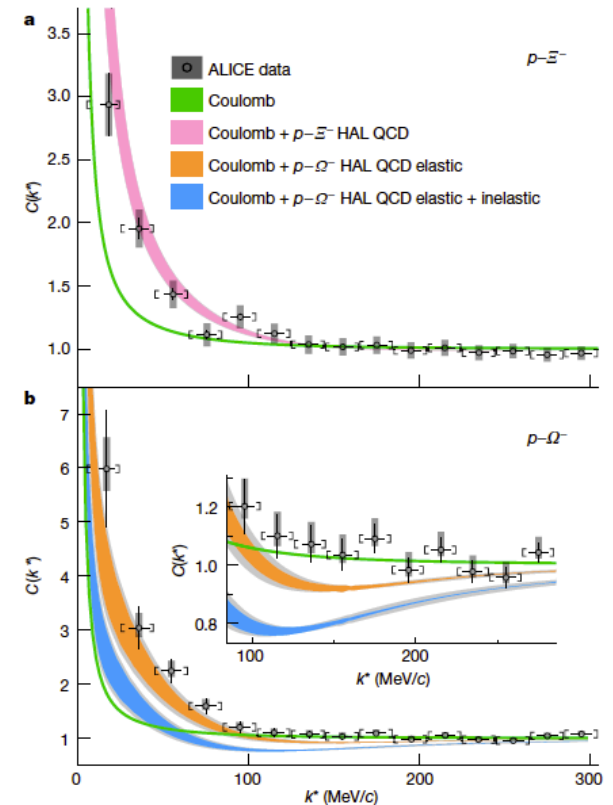
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Potentials for the  $p-\Xi^-$  and  $p-\Omega^-$  interactions predicted by the HAL QCD collaboration.

[Phys.Lett. B 792, 284–289 (2019);  
Nucl.Phys. A 998, 121737 (2020)].



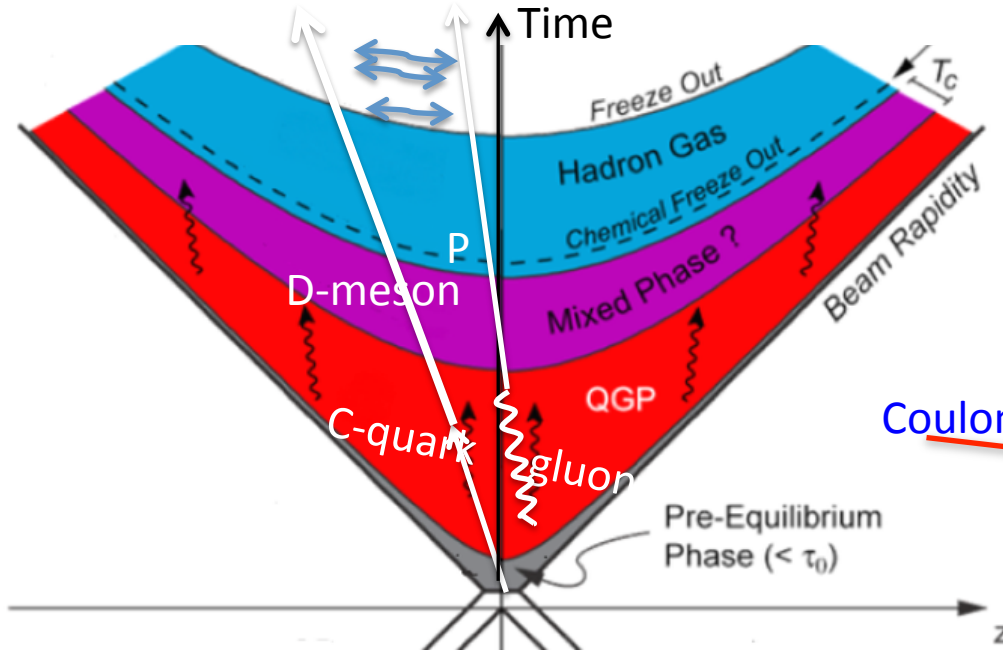
➤ Important input for the equation of state of neutron stars

New!

# Two-body scattering involving *charm* hadrons

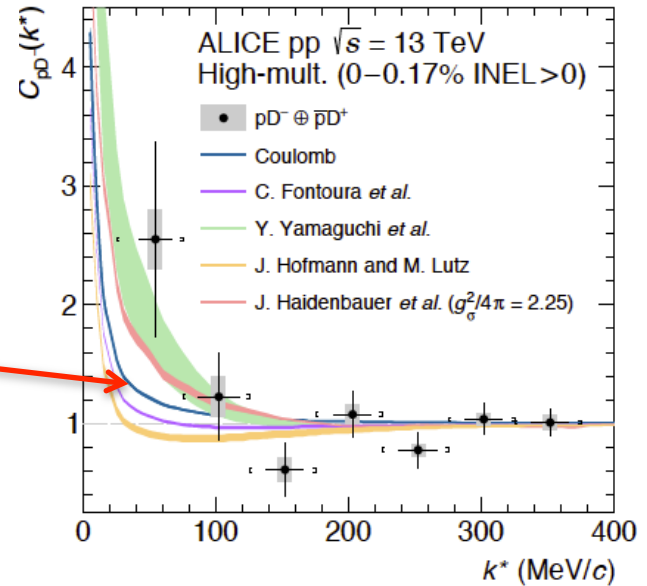


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**pp collisions**

Phys.Rev.D 106 (2022) 052010, arxiv:2201.05352



Coulomb

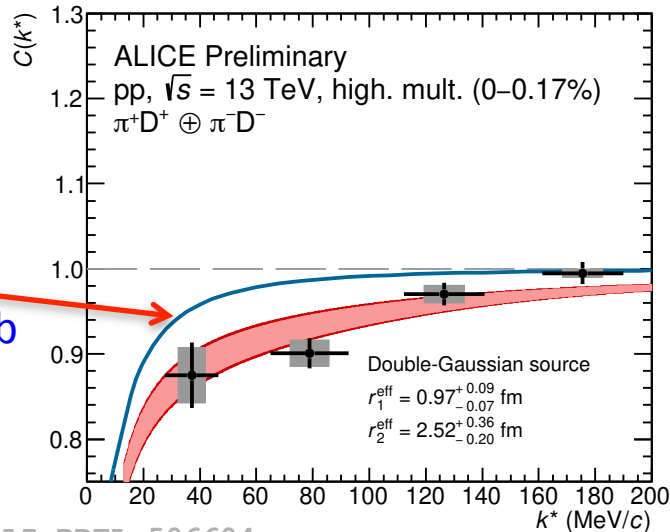
- The data are compatible with the Coulomb-only interaction hypothesis within  $(1.1-1.5) \sigma$ .
- The scattering parameters of charm hadrons with non-charm hadrons are important for models based on charm-quark transport in the expanding QGP
- Precision studies during the LHC Runs 3 and 4 are planned with 10 times increased statistics

New!

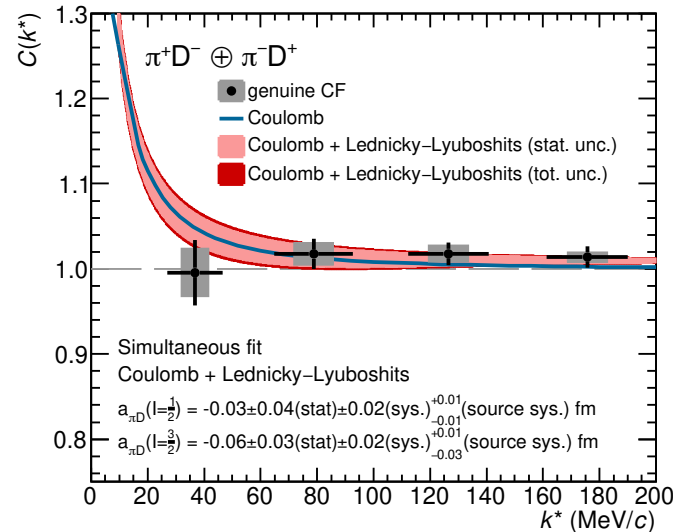
# Two-body scattering involving *charm* hadrons



$\pi^+D^+ \oplus \pi^-D^-$



$\pi^+D^- \oplus \pi^-D^+$



pp collisions

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## D- $\pi$ femtoscopy in high multiplicity pp collisions at $\sqrt{s}=13$ TeV

- The first studies of residual strong interaction between charm and light hadrons performed with Run 2 data
- Some deviation from the Coulomb baseline, indication on a shallow repulsive potential (left)
- **Significant improvement is foreseen with Run 3 data**

✓ Run 3 data taking, performance  
and the 1st results

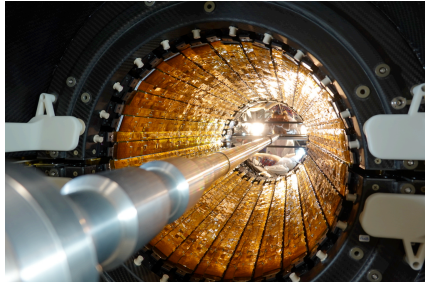
# ALICE upgrade for Run 3:

## Inner Tracking System (ITS2)

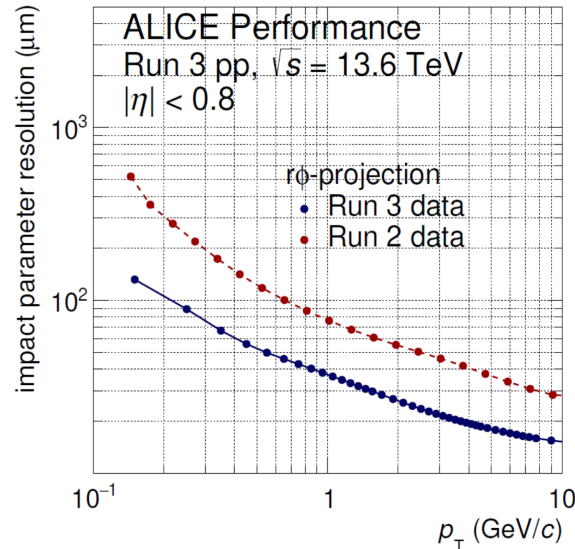
## and GEM TPC



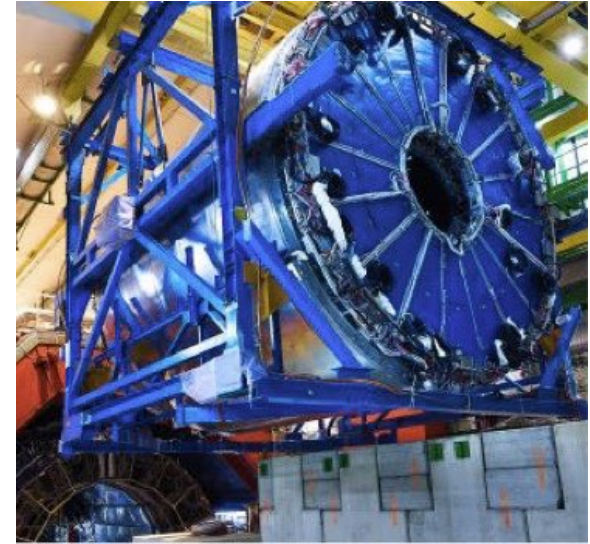
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ITS 2 - the new Inner Tracking System (26 May, 2021)



ITS impact parameter resolution



- ITS 2 is the largest pixel detector ever built in CMOS (MAPS) technology: 12,5 Gpixel camera of  $\sim 10$  m<sup>2</sup> area.
- High tracking precision and vertex resolution,
- Fast readout
- Closer to the IP: first layer at  $\approx 22$  mm
- Smaller pixels:  $28 \times 29 \mu\text{m}^2$
- Lower material budget of the Inner Barrel:  $0.35\% X_0$

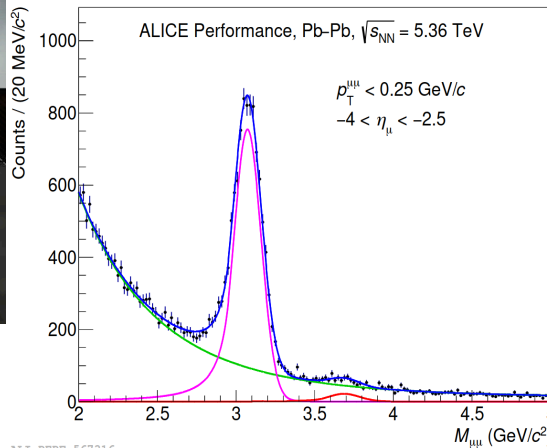
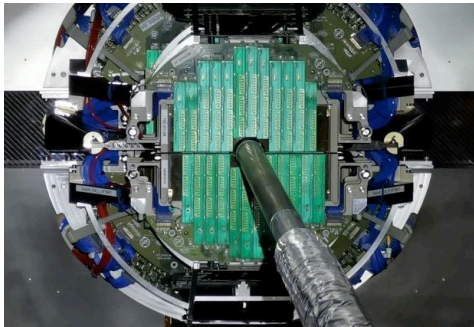
- TPC with new Gas Electron Multiplier (GEM) technology
  - New electronics (SAMPA),
  - continuous readout

# Pixel Muon Forward Tracker (MFT) and Fast Interaction Trigger (FIT)



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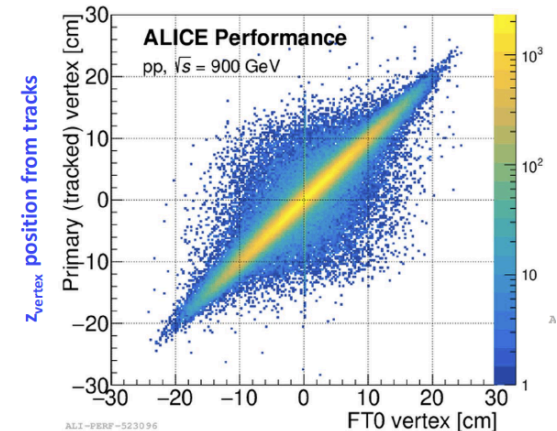
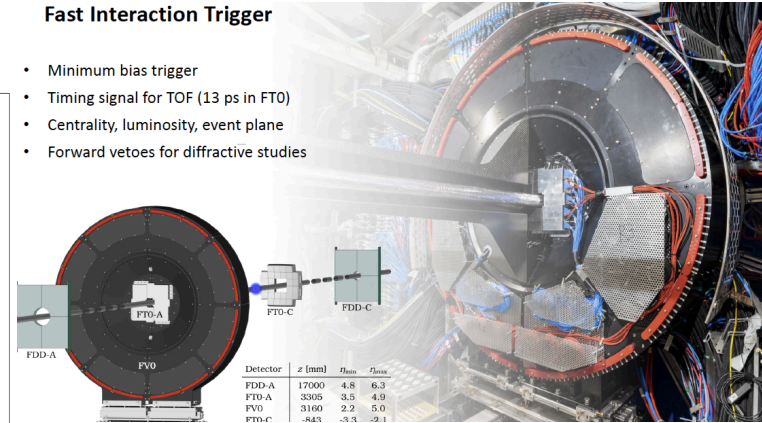


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J/ $\psi$  signal extraction  
di-muon spectra  
in Pb-Pb UPCs at 5.36 TeV

## Fast Interaction Trigger

- Minimum bias trigger
- Timing signal for TOF (13 ps in FTO)
- Centrality, luminosity, event plane
- Forward vetoes for diffractive studies



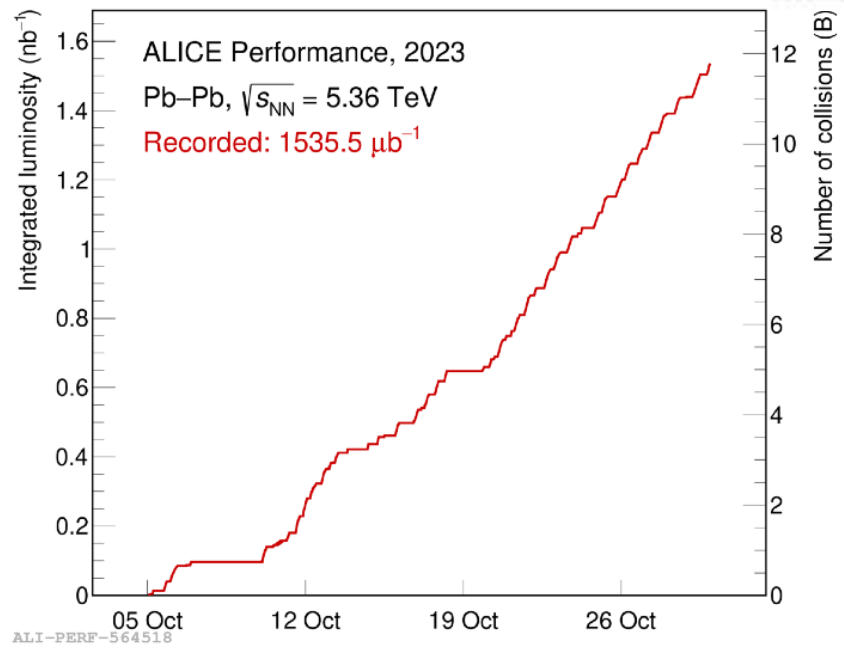
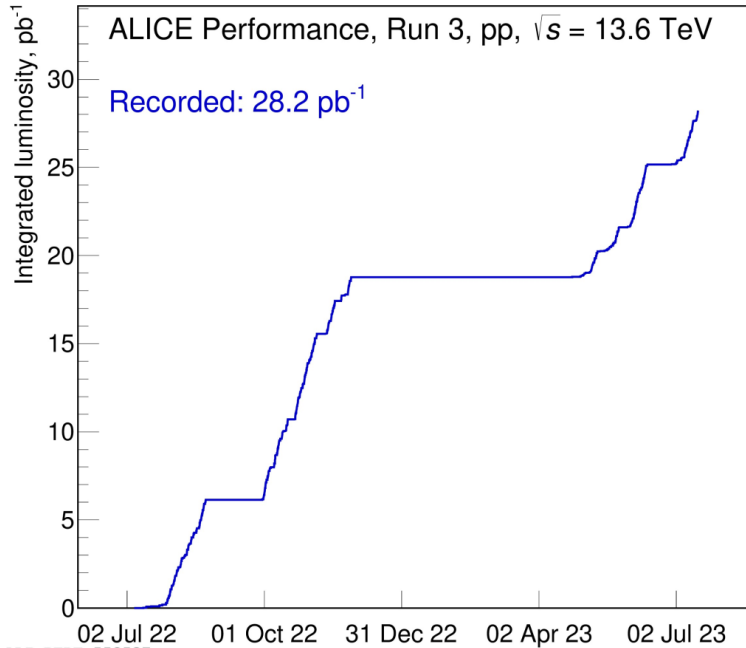
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- The new Muon Forward Tracker, one of ALICE's main subdetectors, was installed in the cavern in December 2020
- Substantial increase in pseudorapidity coverage for ALICE
- High pointing resolution for muon tracking

# ALICE Data taking in Run 3



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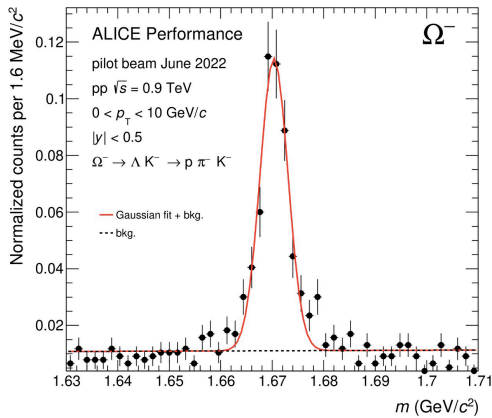
## Run 3 (2022 - now)

- 2022 pp:  $19.3/\text{pb}$  or 1000 billion minimum bias collisions
- 2023 pp:  $9.7/\text{pb}$  or 500 billion minimum bias collisions  
(~800 larger sample compared to Run 1-2)
- 2023 Pb-Pb:  $1.5/\text{nb}$  or 12 billion minimum bias collisions  
(x40 larger minimum bias sample compared to Run 1-2)

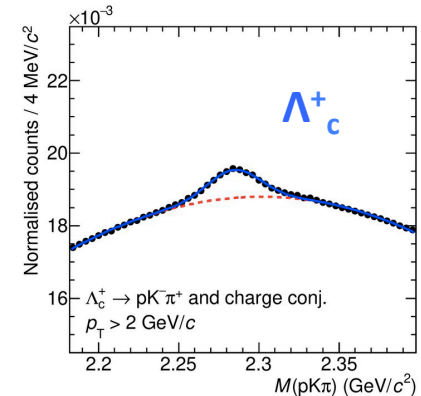
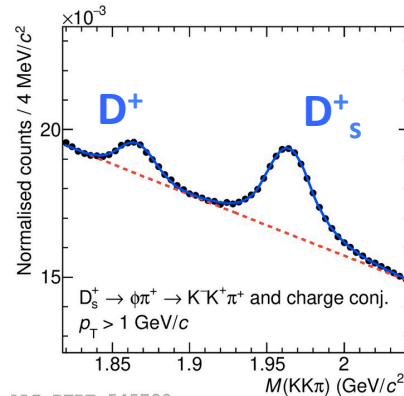
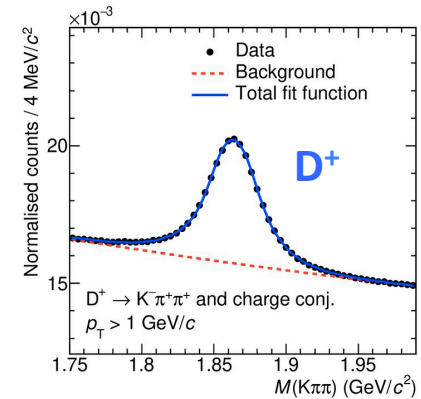
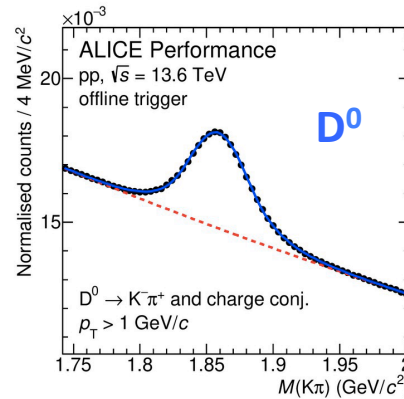


# The 1<sup>st</sup> results in Run 3: $\Omega$ and open heavy flavor in $pp$ at $\sqrt{s}=13.6$ TeV

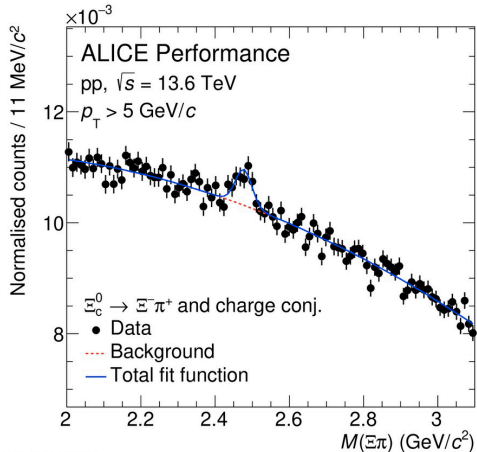
## ➤ First $\Omega^-$ baryon yields



## ➤ $D^0, D^+, D_s^+$ , and $\Lambda_c^+$ signals obtained from the HF software trigger in $pp$ collisions at $\sqrt{s}=13.6$ TeV



## ➤ First $\Xi_c^0$ baryon yields



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# ALICE @LHC Schedule



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## ALICE LS2 Upgrade

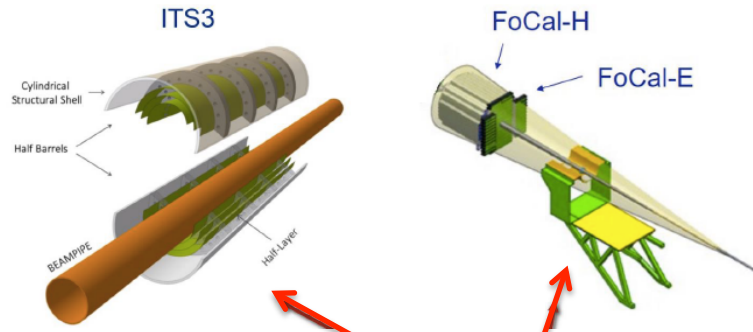
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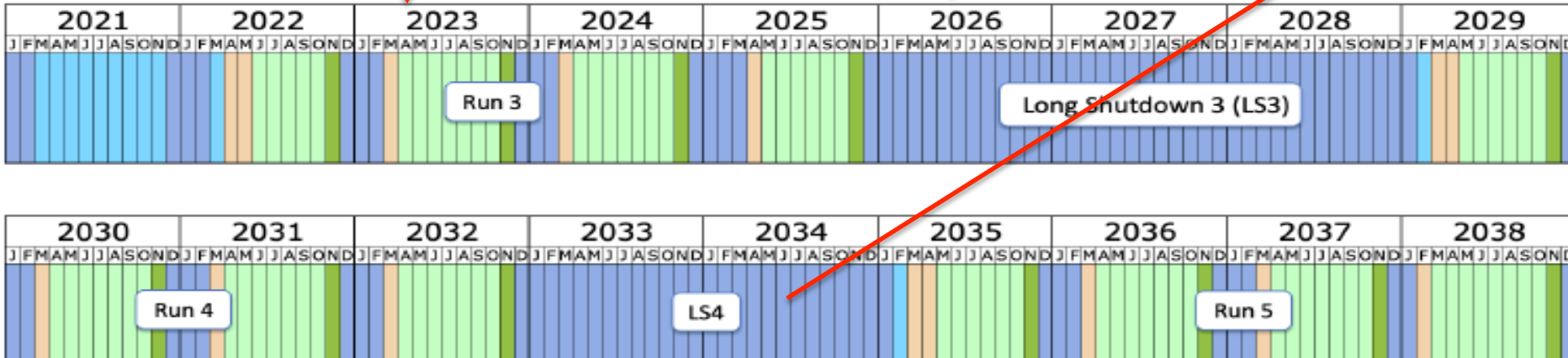
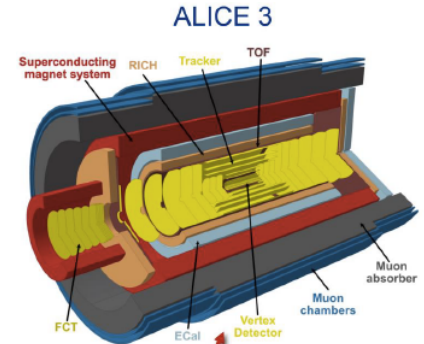
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## ALICE LS3 Upgrade



## ALICE LS4 Upgrade ALICE 3

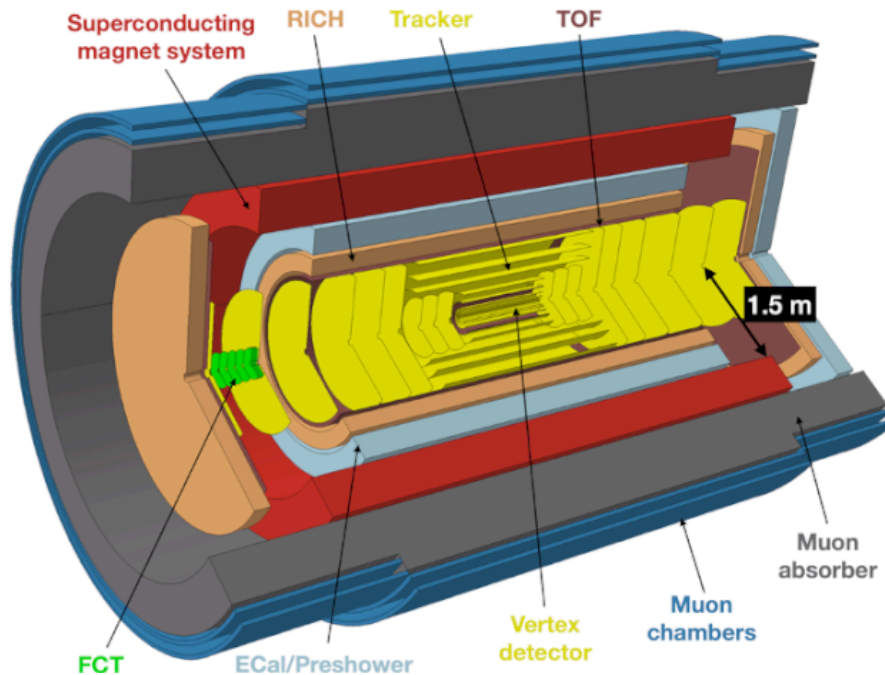


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# ALICE 3 in Run 5

expected > 2035

- ALICE 3 -- a completely new experiment, fast with precise tracking and timing.
- A large-acceptance ( $|\eta| < 4$ ), ultra-low material budget, all-pixel silicon tracking system



- Future HI programme at the LHC:
  - ✧ Low-mass dileptons and soft hadrons (<50 MeV)
  - ✧ Evolution of QGP and chiral symmetry restoration
  - ✧ Exotic (multi-)heavy-flavoured hadrons, hadronisation mechanisms
  - ✧ Hadron correlations and interaction potentials
  - ✧ Long-range correlation studies
  - ✧ Searches beyond-the-Standard-Model

Letter of Intent for ALICE 3

<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2803563/>

[files/2211.02491.pdf](https://cds.cern.ch/record/2803563/files/2211.02491.pdf)

# Beauty and multi-charm studies

with ALICE 3



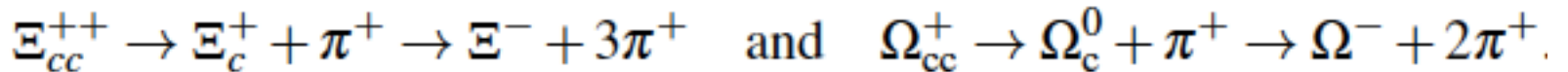
Particle	Mass (GeV/c)	$c\tau$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Decay Channel	Branching Ratio (%)
$\Omega_{cc}^+$	3.746	50 (assumed)	$\Omega_c^0 + \pi^+$	5.0 (assumed)
$\Omega_c^0$	2.695	80	$\Omega^- + \pi^+$	5.0 (assumed)
$\Xi_{cc}^{++}$	3.621	76	$\Xi_c^+ + \pi^+$	5.0 (assumed)
$\Xi_c^+$	2.468	137	$\Xi^- + 2\pi^+$	$(2.86 \pm 1.27)$
$\Xi_c^+$	2.468	137	$p + K^- + \pi^+$	$(6.2 \pm 3.0)10^{-3}$

**Table 6:** Particles and decay channels used in the reconstruction of the  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$  and  $\Omega_{cc}^+$  analyses using strangeness tracking. Values from [227]. Where no measurement is available, a branching ratio of 5% is assumed.

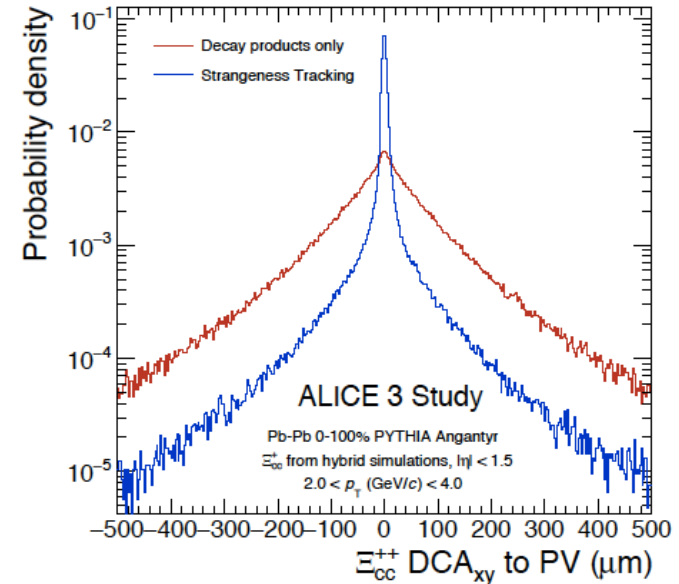
[arXiv:2211.02491](https://arxiv.org/abs/2211.02491)

- Measurements of the multi-charm baryons are a central part of the ALICE 3 physics
- Challenge: small life time  $c\tau$  and BR

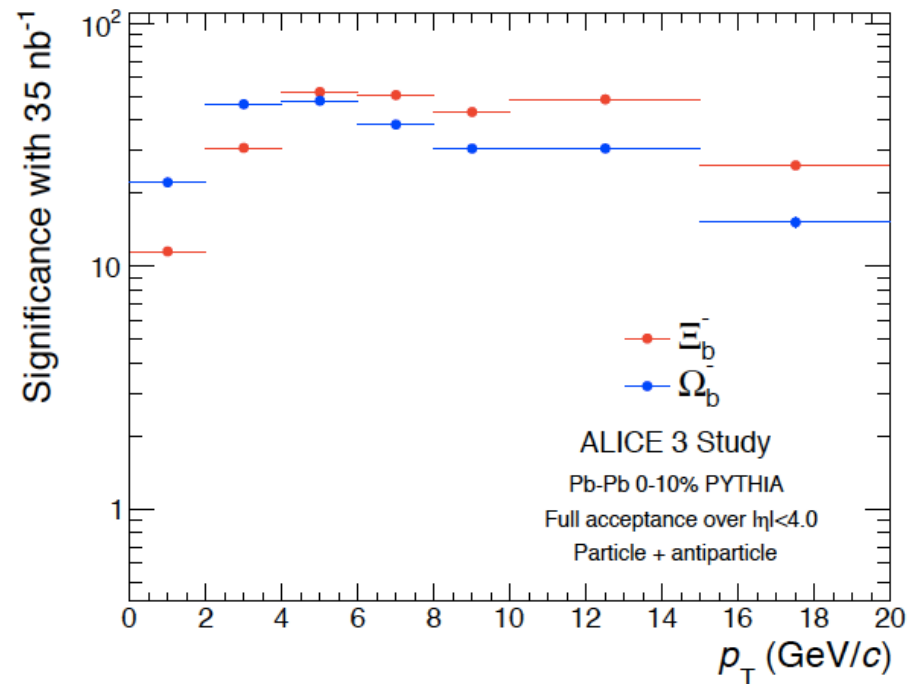
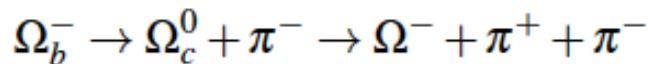
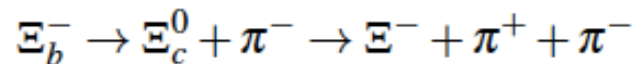
➤ Effective reconstruction using strangeness tracking : example for



See Section 3.2.1.3 in [arXiv:2211.02491](https://arxiv.org/abs/2211.02491)



# Beauty hadrons $\Xi_b^-$ and $\Omega_b^-$ with ALICE 3



- Masses of  $\Xi_b^-$  and  $\Omega_b^-$  are assumed to be 5,797 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> and 6.046, respectively, as measured by the LHCb.
- BR are unknown so far (<5%)
- Large life time  $\tau \sim 500 \mu\text{m}$  --- it is beneficial for background discrimination  
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# Summary

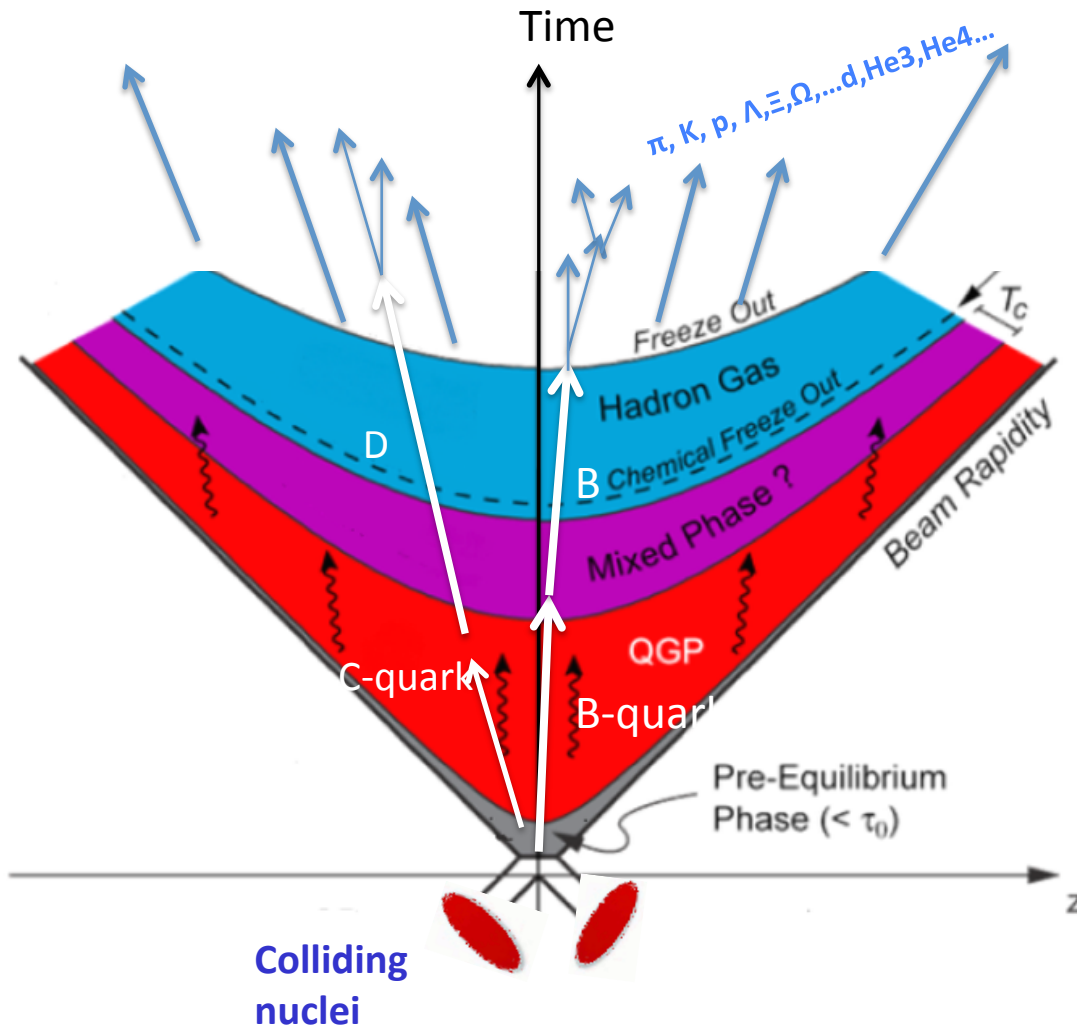


1. Production of loosely bound light (anti)(hyper)nuclei --Still puzzling.
2. Progress in results on the medium induced effects on strange and charm particle yields and on the shape of jets
3. Studies of the residual strong interaction between strange, charm, and light hadrons
  - The new physics lab
  - 10 times increased statistics during the LHC Runs 3 and 4
4. The intriguing similarities in collision of small systems and in heavy-ion collisions are still to be investigated.
5. Run 3 has started successfully:
  - New tracking detectors and higher pointing resolution
  - Higher counting rate and the extended rapidity coverage
  - Better muon measurements in the forward arm
7. Future upgrades are in progress for Run 4: ITS3 and FoCal
8. ALICE 3 with a completely new detector in Run 5 will be focused on rare processes of multi-charm and beauty baryon production aimed at the precise evaluation of the QGP properties.

# Back-up

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# Charm in pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb collisions



## Why open heavy flavour is interesting?

- ✓ Production is relevant to early collision stages
- ✓ Theoretical calculation of production in perturbative QCD
- ✓ Transport of c-quark through the medium: collisions and radiative e-losses?
- ✓ Hadronisation mechanism?

## Charm measurements in ALICE:

$$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$$

$$D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$$

$$D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi \pi^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+$$

$$D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$$

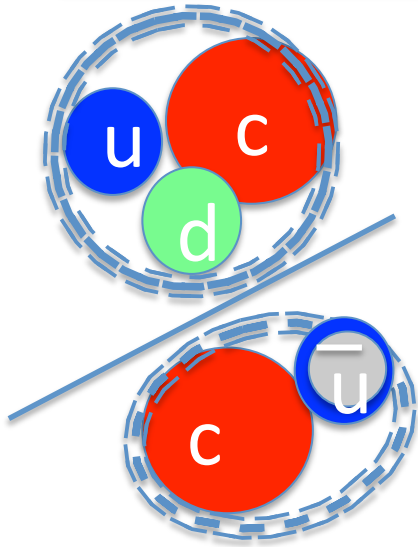
$$\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow K_s^0 p \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- p$$

$$c \rightarrow \mu^\pm X \text{ (with muon spectrometer)}$$



New!

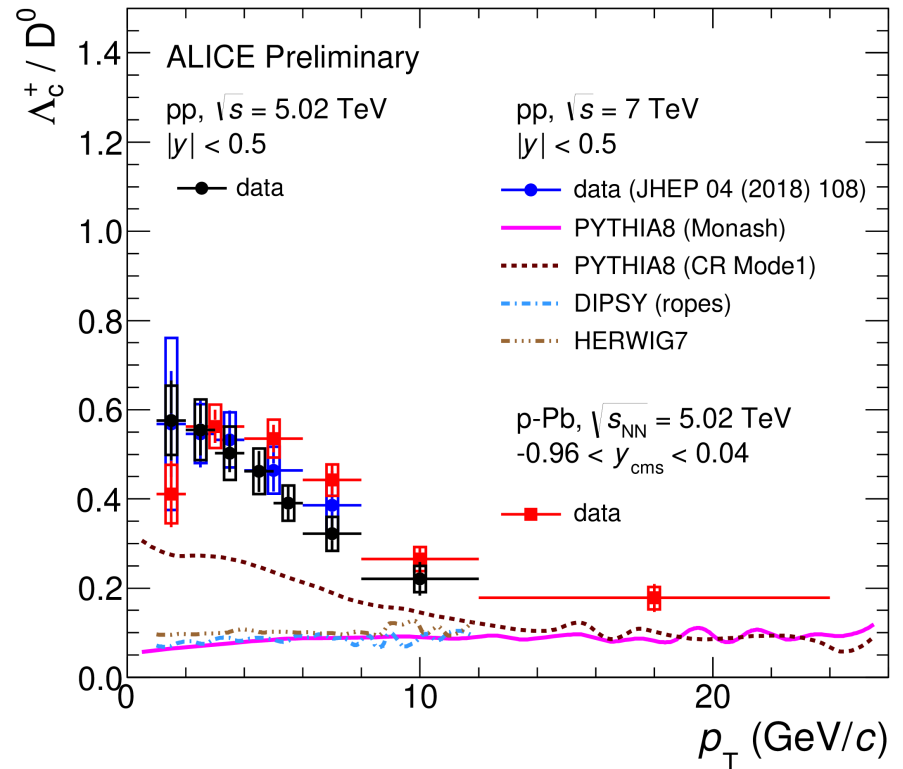
# Constraining hadronization mechanisms with $\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$ production ratios



$\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$

The  $\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$  ratio as a function of  $p_T$  measured in pp collisions at 7 TeV (Run1) and 5.02 TeV (Run2) and 13 TeV and in p-Pb collisions at 5.02 TeV (Run2) compared with models.

p-p and p-Pb collisions



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- Similar behavior
- $\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$  - ratio is sensitive to hadronisation mechanism
- So far, standard hadronization models fail to reproduce the baryon enhancement