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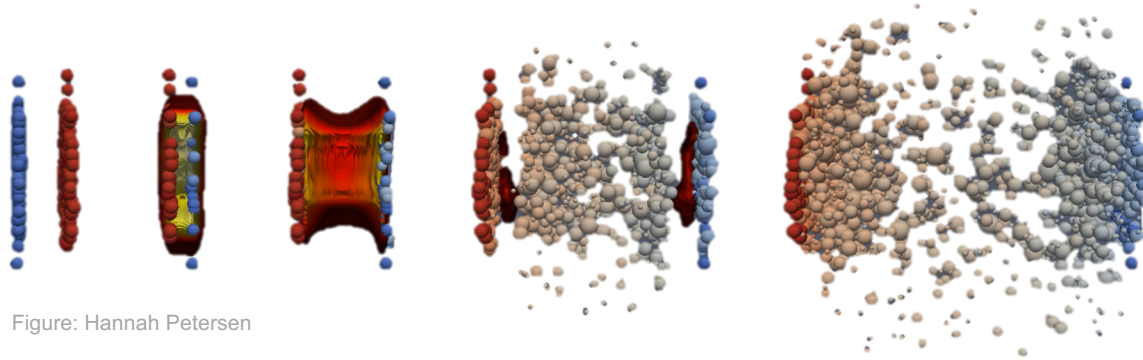


Figure: Hannah Petersen

Introduction to Ultrarelativistic Nuclear Collisions (3)



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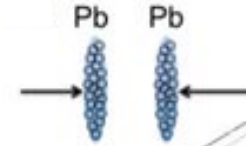
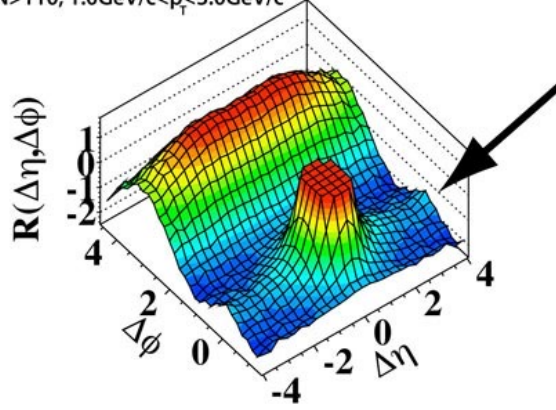
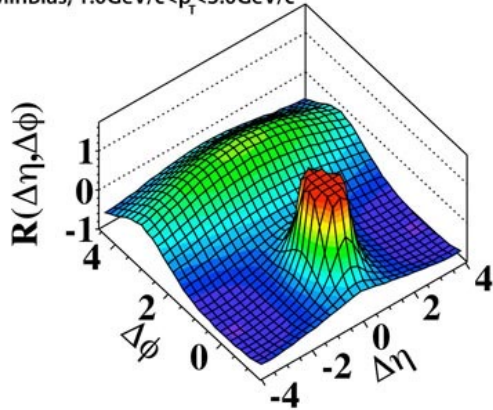
Small systems: a new frontier

- long-range ridge on near side in high-multiplicity pp collisions at the LHC!
- very similar structure as in Pb-Pb collisions
 - where it is connected with v_2

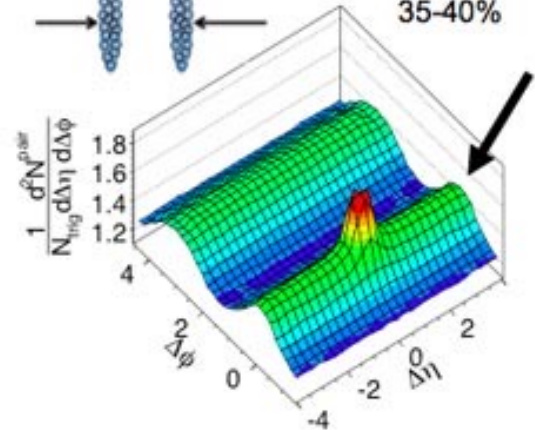
CMS 2010, $\sqrt{s}=7\text{TeV}$
MinBias, $1.0\text{GeV}/c < p_T < 3.0\text{GeV}/c$



$N > 110, 1.0\text{GeV}/c < p_T < 3.0\text{GeV}/c$



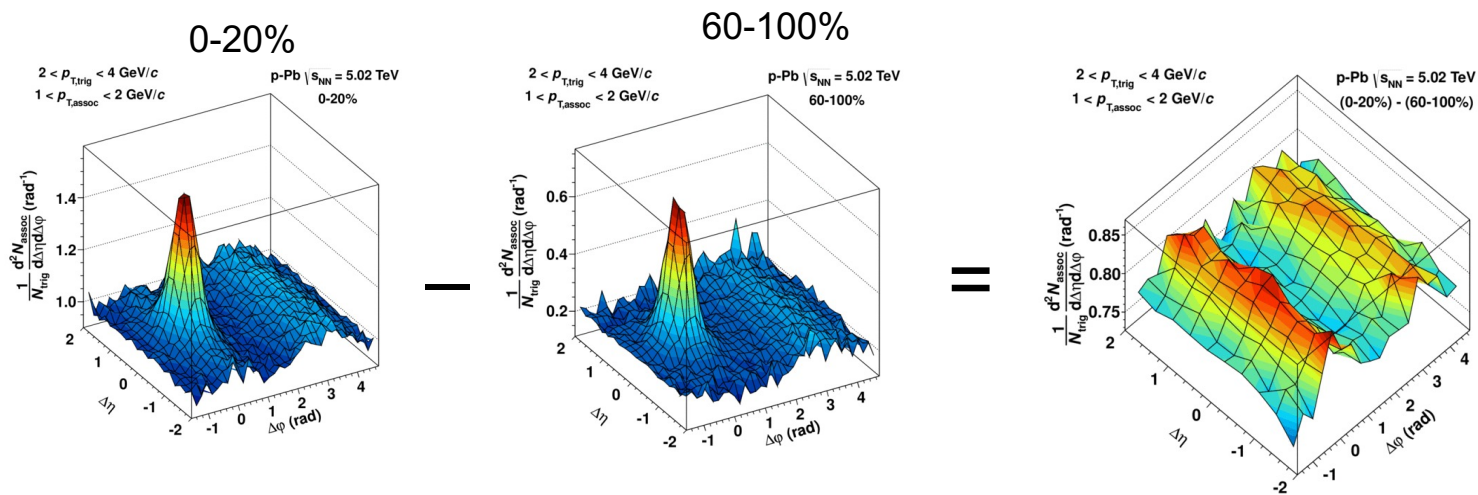
35-40%



CMS: JHEP 1009:091,2010

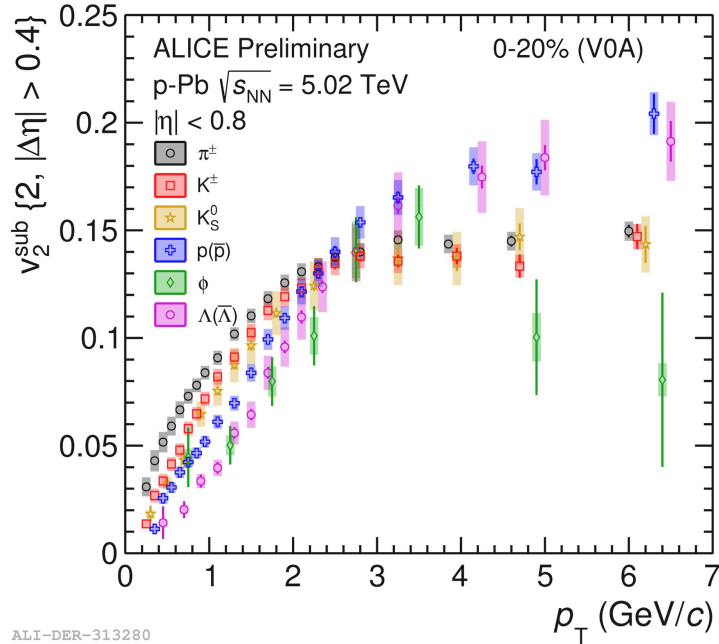
Near- and away-side ridge in p-Pb

- evidence for collective behaviour in high-multiplicity p-Pb,
 - e.g. symmetric double-ridge when subtracting low from high mult'y p-Pb

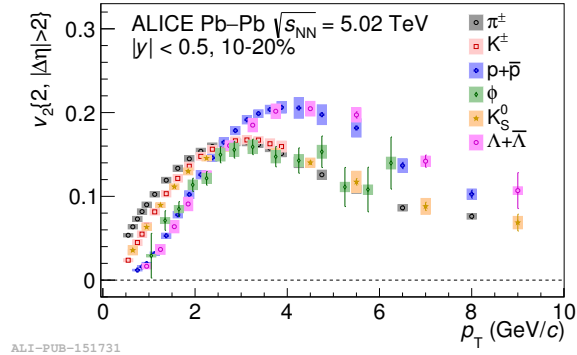


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v2 for identified particles in p-Pb



- clear mass ordering at high multiplicity
 - same as in Pb-Pb

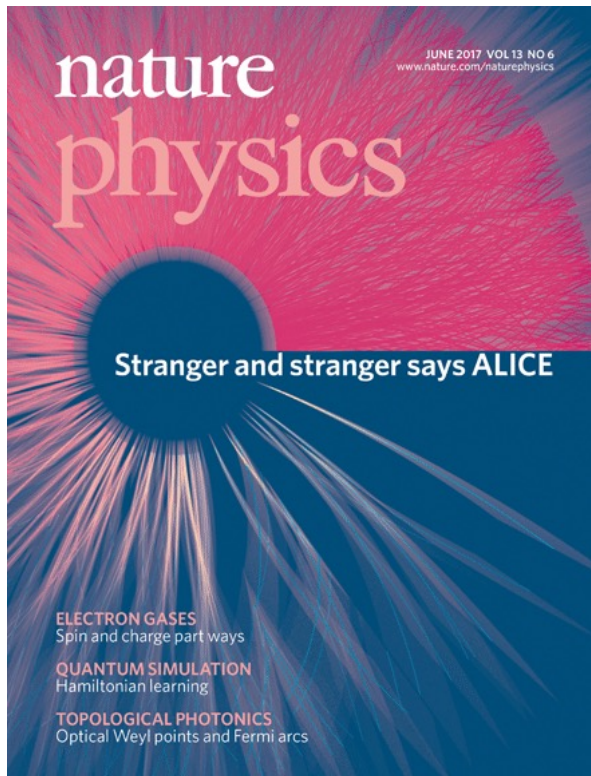


- consistent with common velocity field
- ➔ consistent with hydrodynamic expansion!

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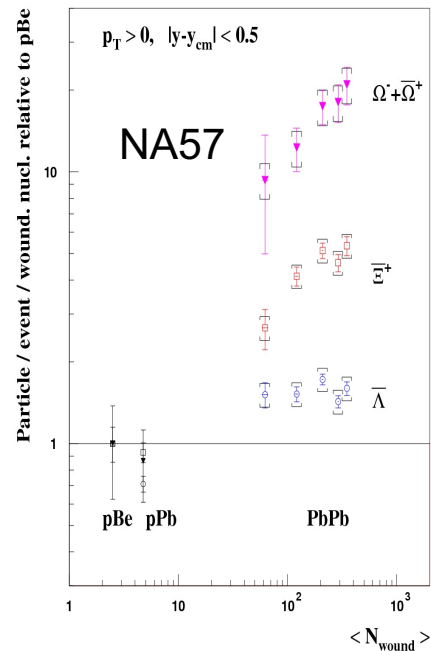
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Strangeness enhancement in pp!

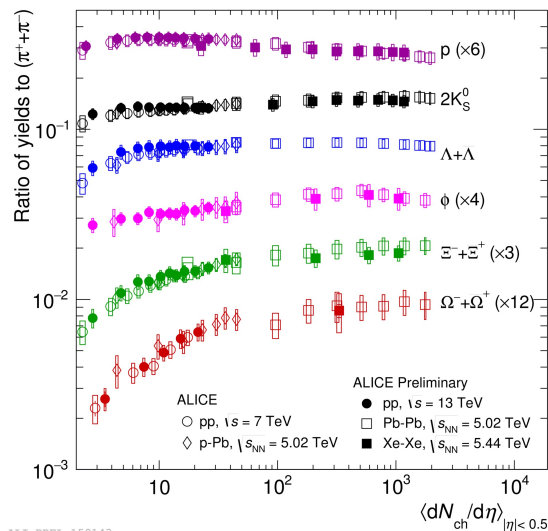


Nature Physics (2017) doi:10.1038/nphys4111

- one of the hallmarks of QGP
- predicted in 1982
J Rafelski & B Müller, PRL 48 (1982) 1066
- observed at SPS in the 90's
WA97, NA57, NA49
- now observed in high-mult pp!
 - not reproduced by models
- a precursor phenomenon?
- QGP in high-mult pp???
- new directions for research!
 - study effects turn-on, evolution
 - new weapon: pp generators!



Hadron chemistry vs system size



ALICE-PREL-159143

- new avenue to microscopic understanding of buildup of collectivity!
- could help resolve muon puzzle in cosmic rays?

T Pierog et al, UHECR 2018, EPJ Web Conf

S Baur et al, arXiv:1902.09265

T Pierog, ESPP Symposium, Granada

T Pierog, ICRC 2019, Madison

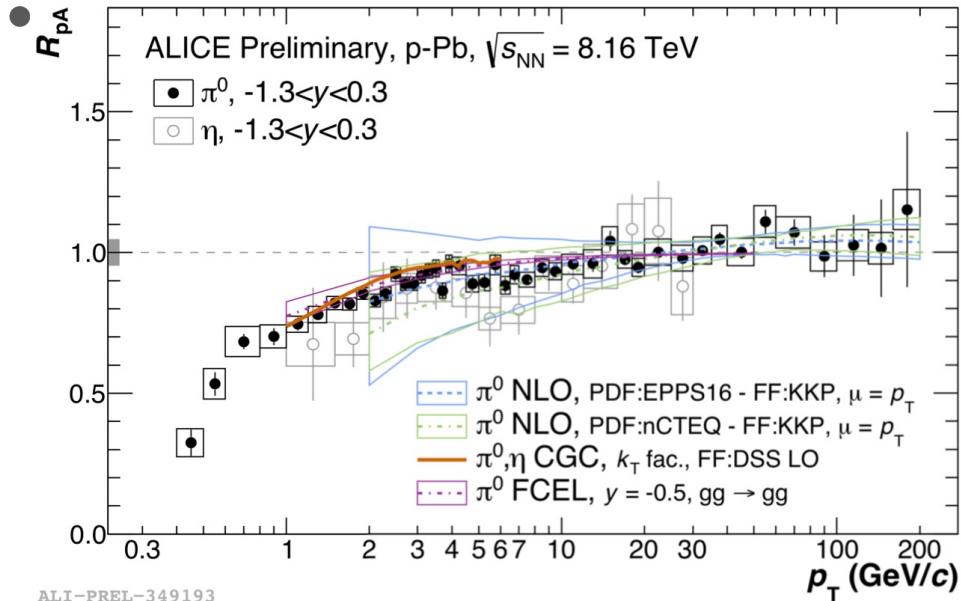
- strangeness enhancement vs size
 - smooth evolution vs event multiplicity
- challenge for pp event generators
 - e.g.: T Sjostrand at Quark Matter 2018

Summary and outlook

- Conventional pp generators successful, with MPI + CR generating some collectivity, but now cracks.
- Need new framework for baryon production.
- String close-packing likely to influence hadronization, before (shoving), during (ropes) and after (rescattering).
- Currently no known unique solution, so free to explore.
- Several recent & ongoing studies look promising, but much work and few active with pp generator outlook.
- Further experimental input crucial!

Whole new field of study opening up!

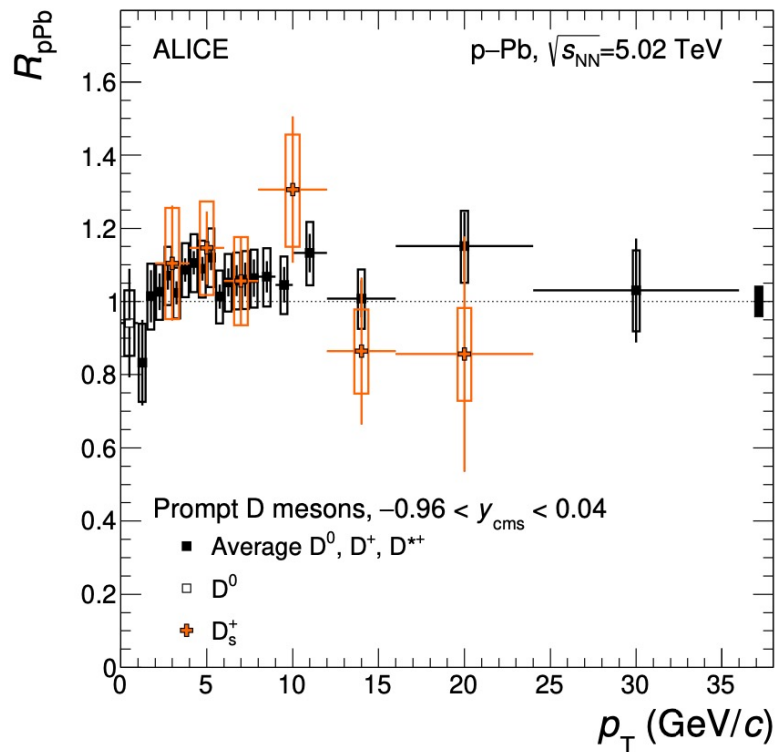
But no sign of quenching yet!



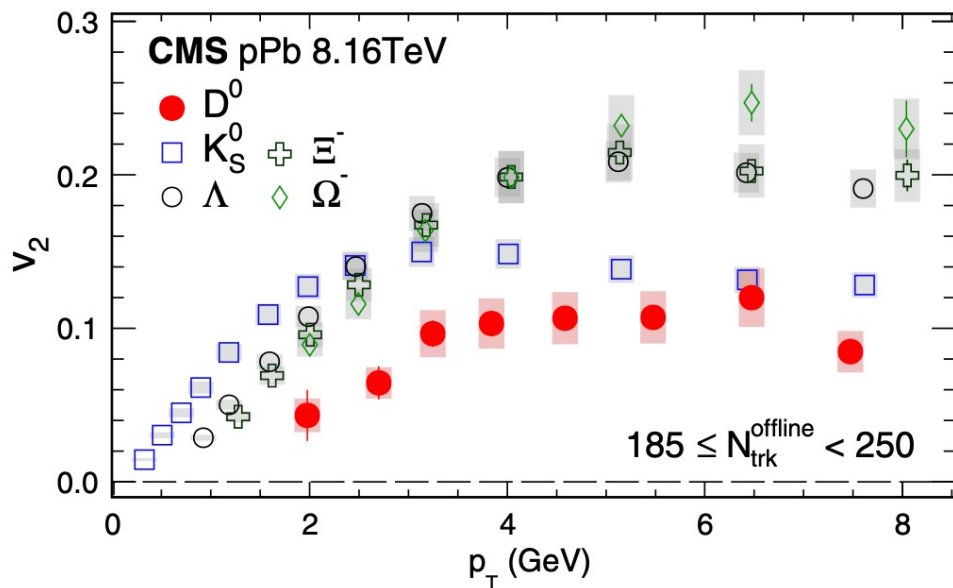
[ALICE: PLB 827 (2022) 136943]

How about heavy flavour in small systems?

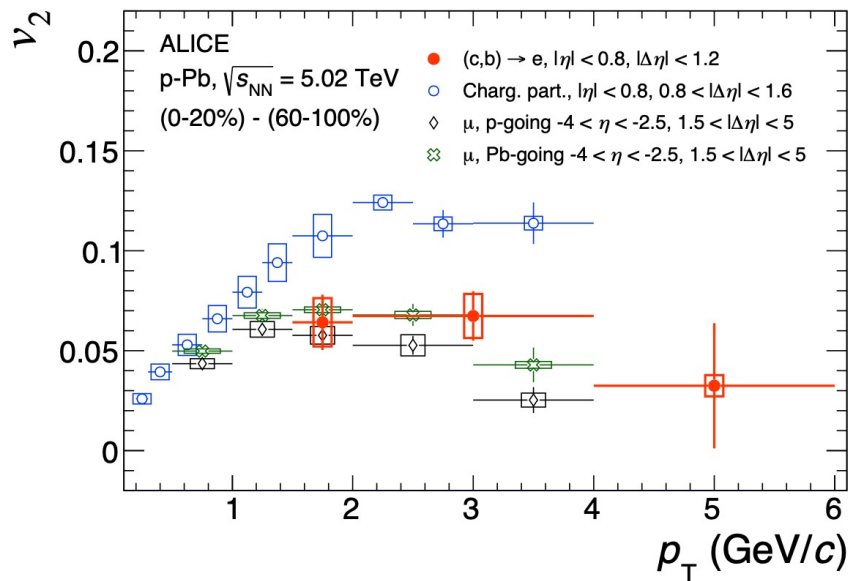
- no sign of quenching for charm (like for everything else...)



...but flow seems to be there...!



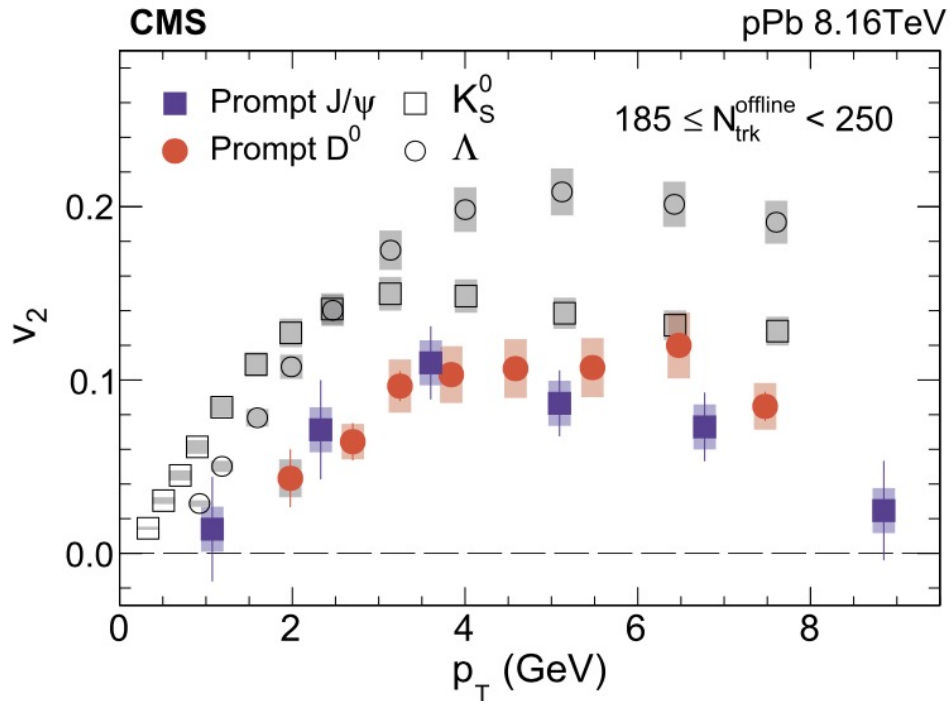
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- ... what's this??? (isn't charm produced isotropically in initial parton-parton scattering?)
 - a sign of azimuthally-dependent energy loss??? 🤔 ...
- could it just be the light quarks...?

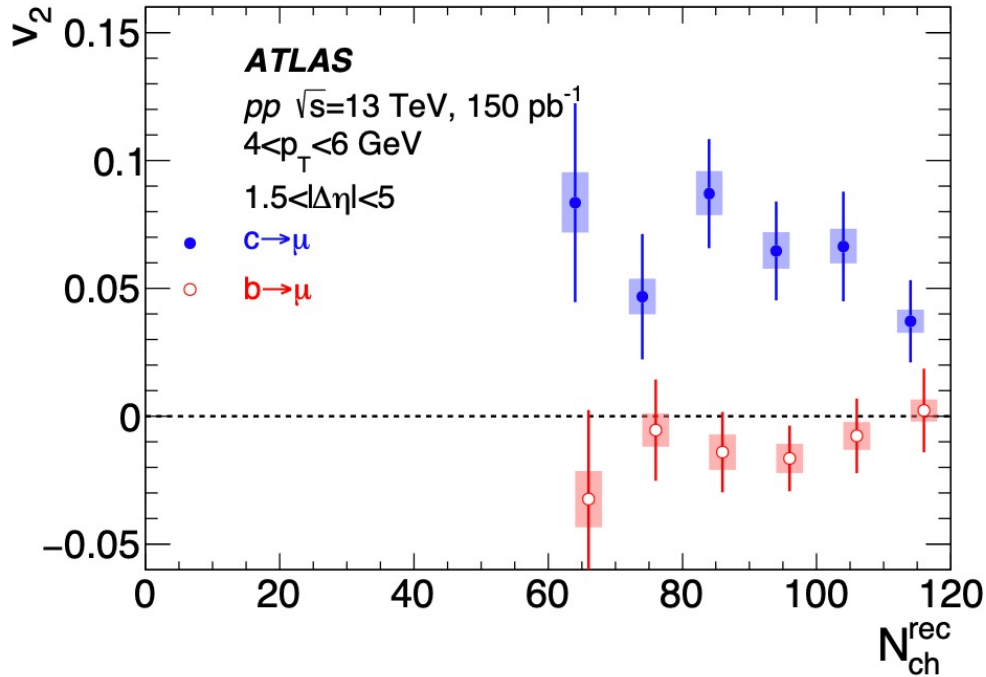
... also for prompt J/ψ ...



CMS: PLB 791 (2019) 172

- ... no, it's not just the light quarks...
 - it seems to be the c themselves...
- consistent with R_{pPb} measurements?
- these are supposed to be mostly pair-produced $c\bar{c}$, propagating together... right? 🤔 ...
- if v_2 is due to energy loss, does its amount carry information about octet v singlet?

... but not for beauty...

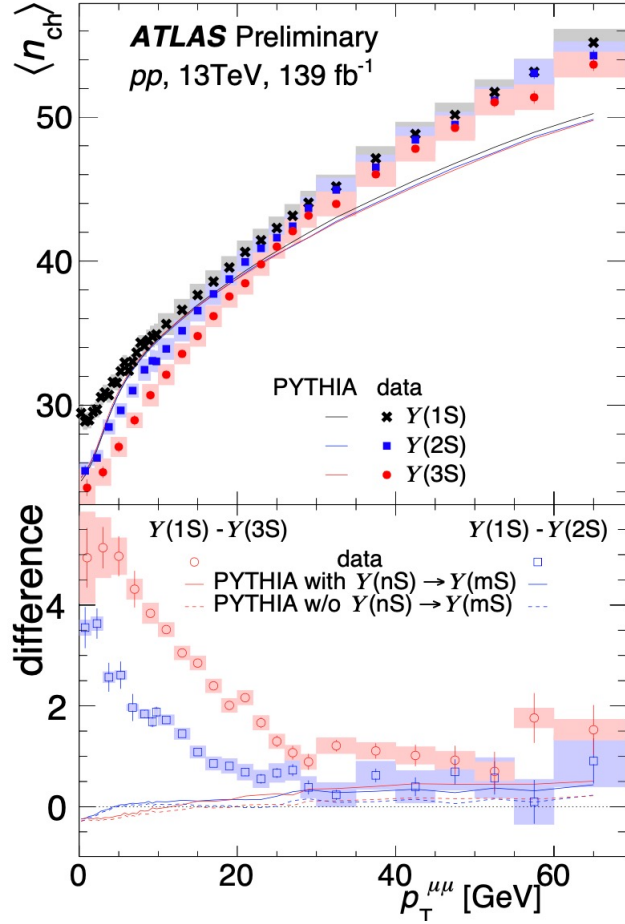


ATLAS: PRL 124 (2020) 082301

- another one of those beauty things...

... a sign of life...?

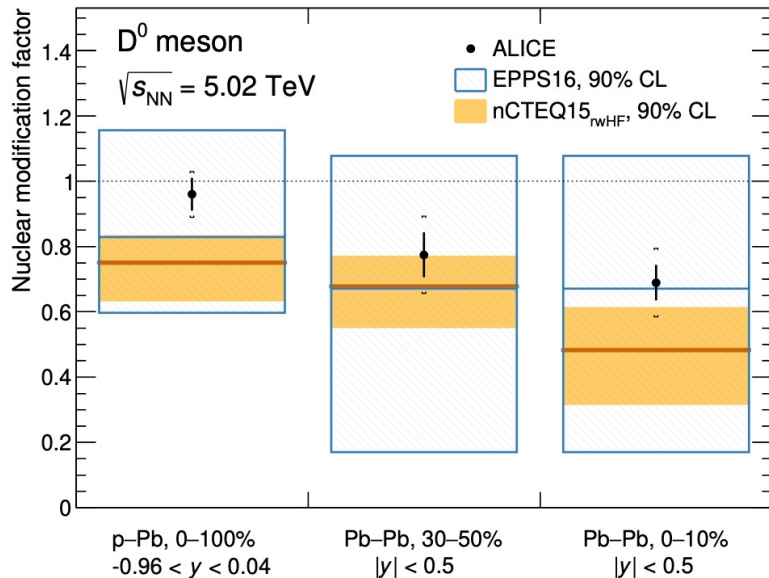
ATLAS-CONF-2022-023



- ATLAS @ QM 2022
- multiplicity of underlying event for Y events
- a hierarchy at low p_{T} ...
- ... or just an MPI bias not reproduced in PYTHIA?

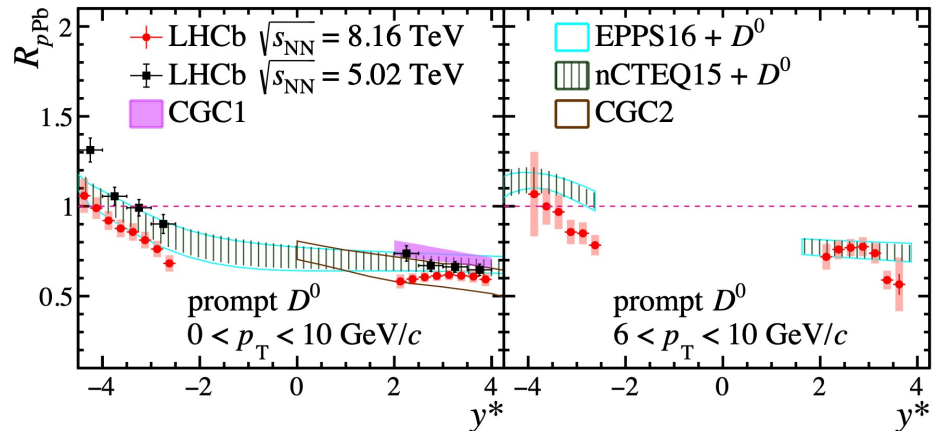
By the way: nPDFs seem to be doing not too bad...

p_T -integrated $D^0 R_{pPb} R_{PbPb}$



ALICE: JHEP01 (2022) 174

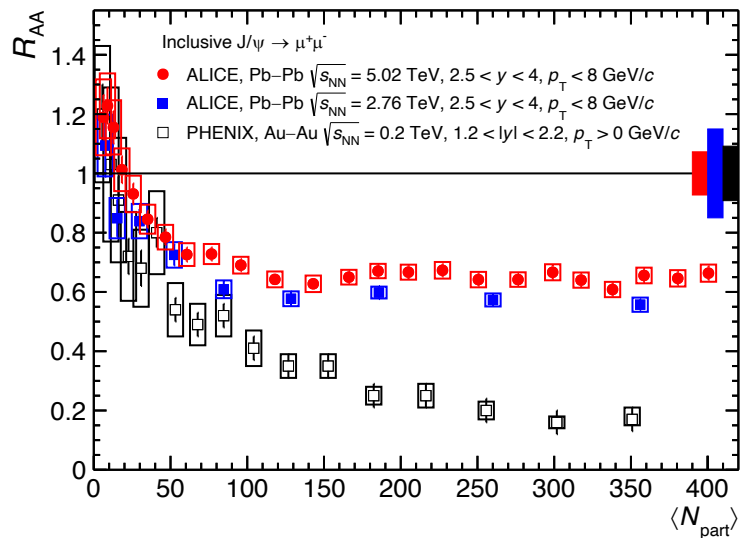
$D^0 R_{pPb}$ vs y



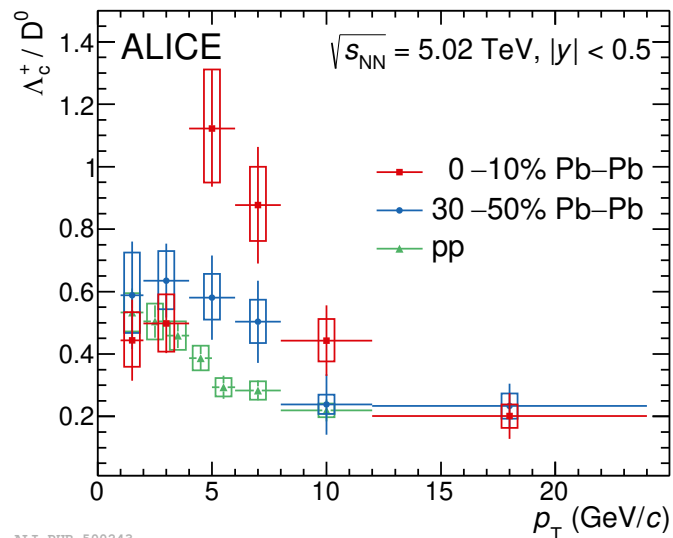
LHCb: arXiv:2205.03936

In-medium hadronisation, a rich sector!

charmonium



HF baryons

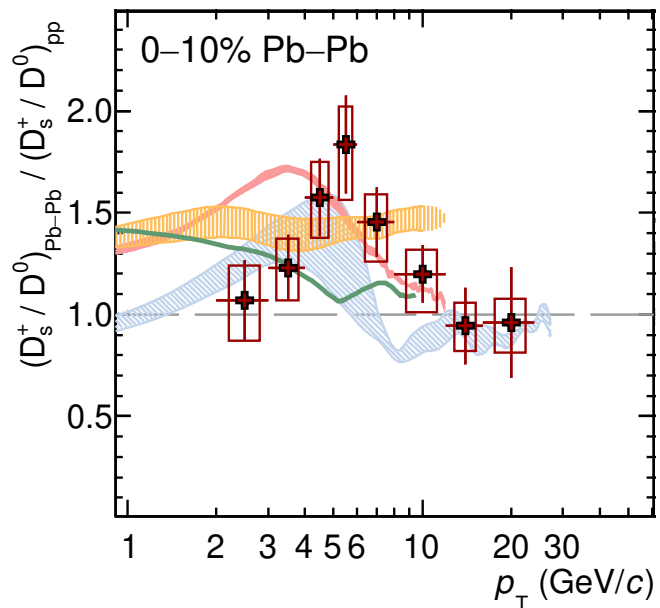


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Strangeness enhancement in Pb-Pb!

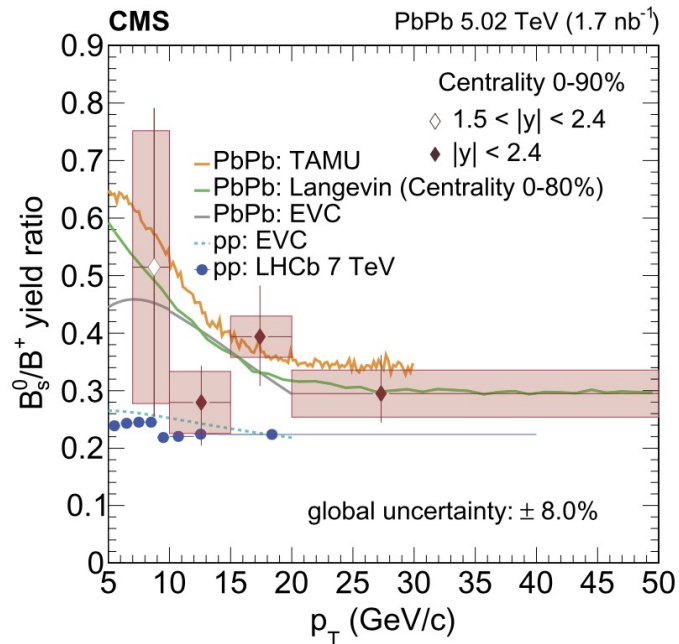
D_s



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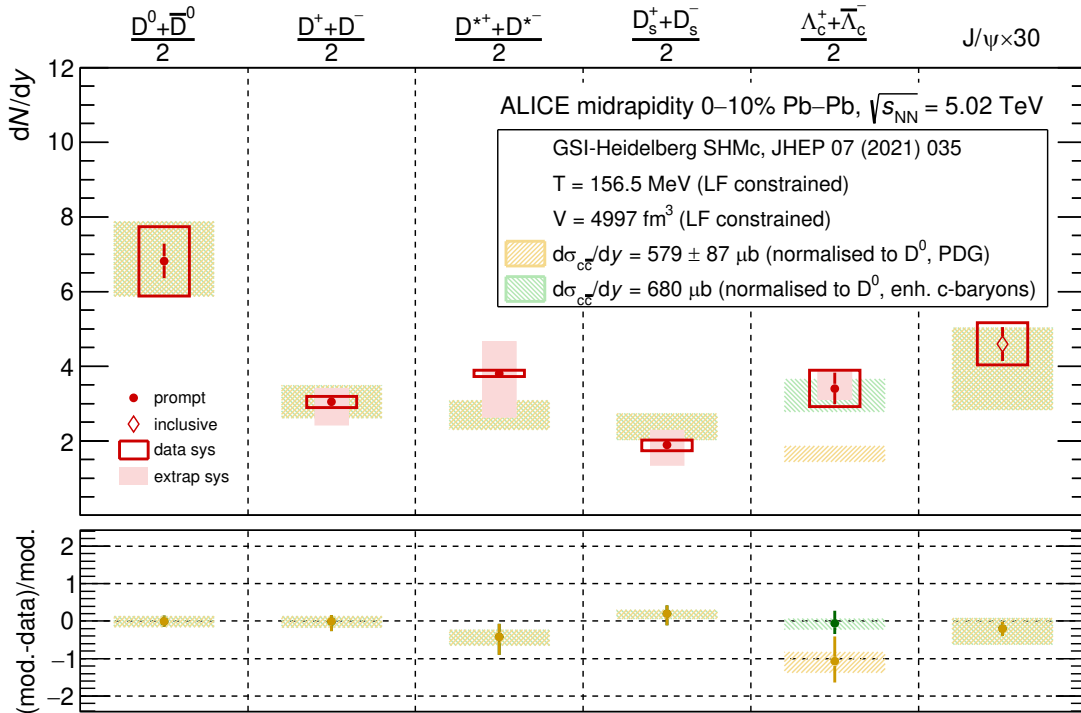
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$B_s?$



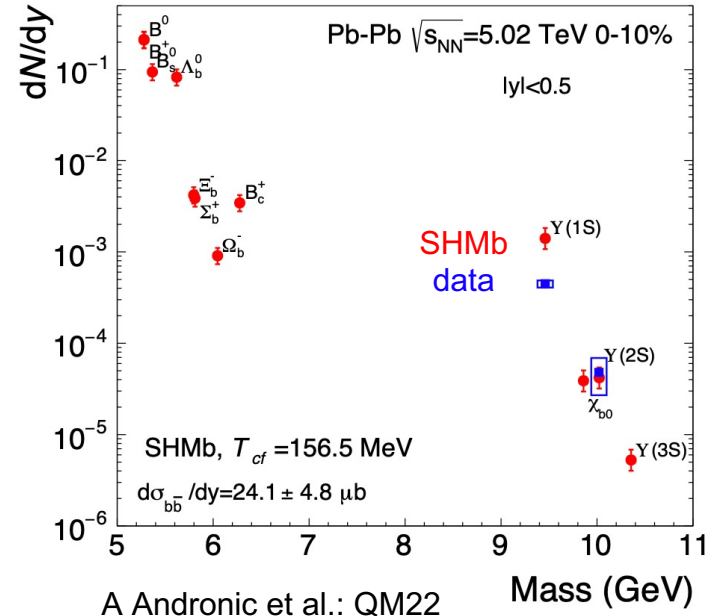
CMS: PLB 829 (2022) 137062

Chemical equilibrium for HF hadrons?



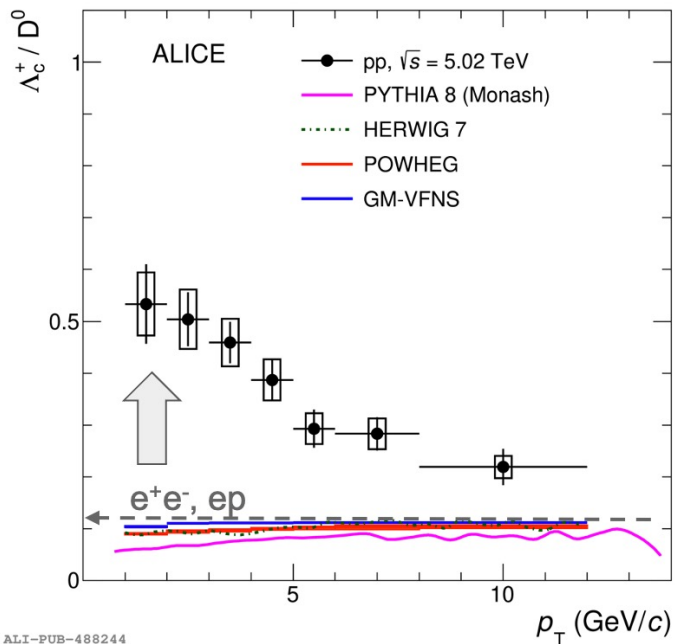
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- for charm, looks like...
 - not for absolute σ , of course...
 - $\gamma_c \sim 30$ for 0-10%
- and, once again, b is different...
 - SHMb ~ 3 x data for $\Upsilon(1S)$

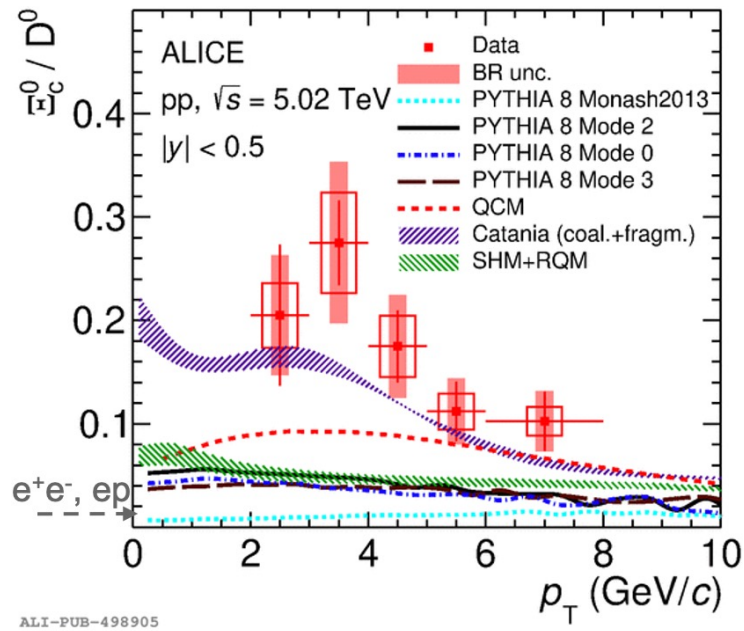


Already in pp, p-Pb...

- HF baryon/meson enhanced wrt e^+e^- (especially at low p_T)

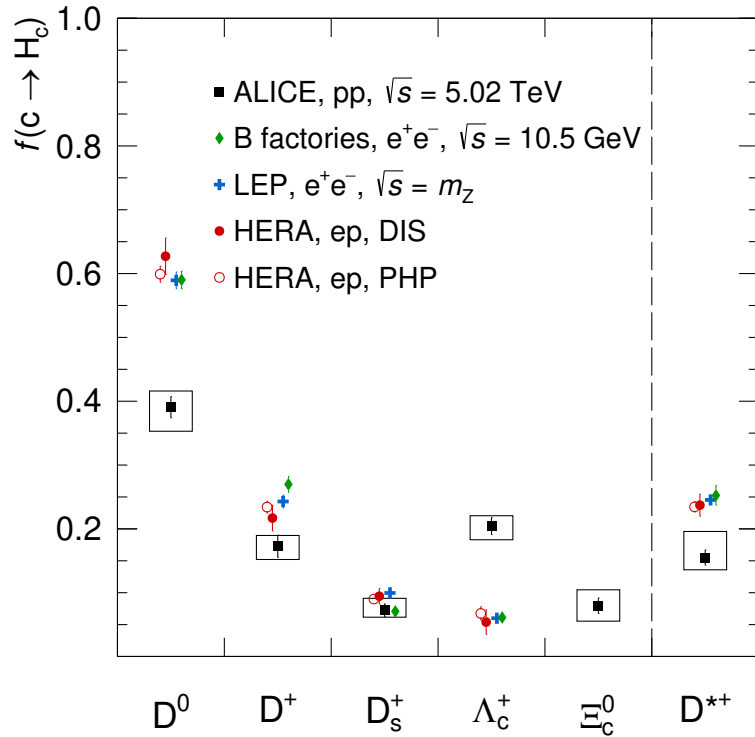


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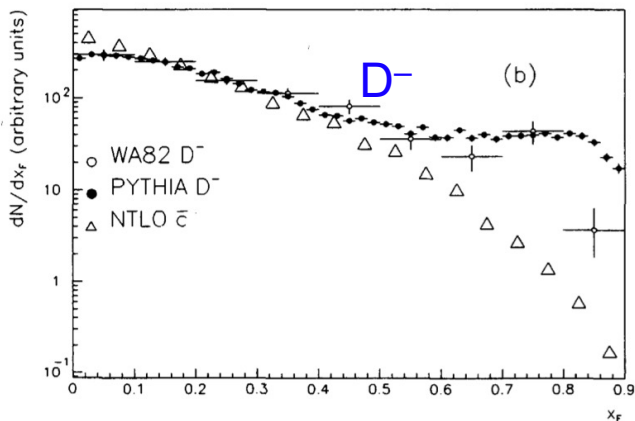
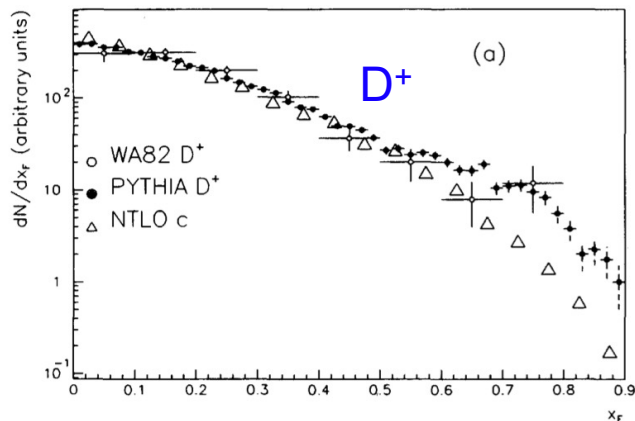
ALICE: JHEP 10 (2021) 159

Fragmentation Fractions: $pp \neq e^+e^-$



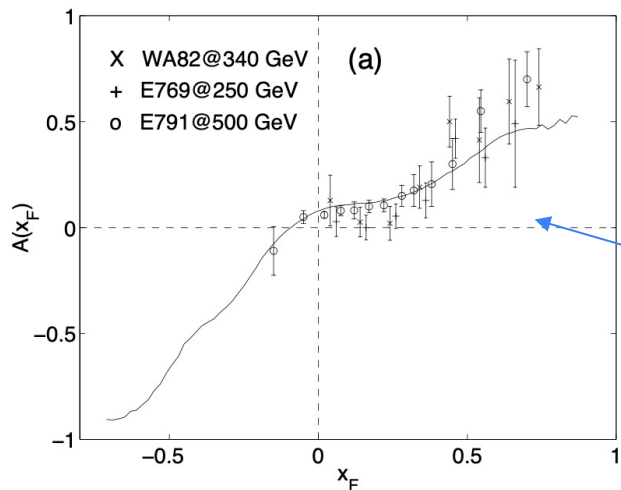
- fragmentation factorisation is violated
 - already in pp
- hadronisation in hadronic environments is a different game than in e^+e^-

But already at the SPS... (my thesis 😊!)



WA82: PLB 305 (1993) 402

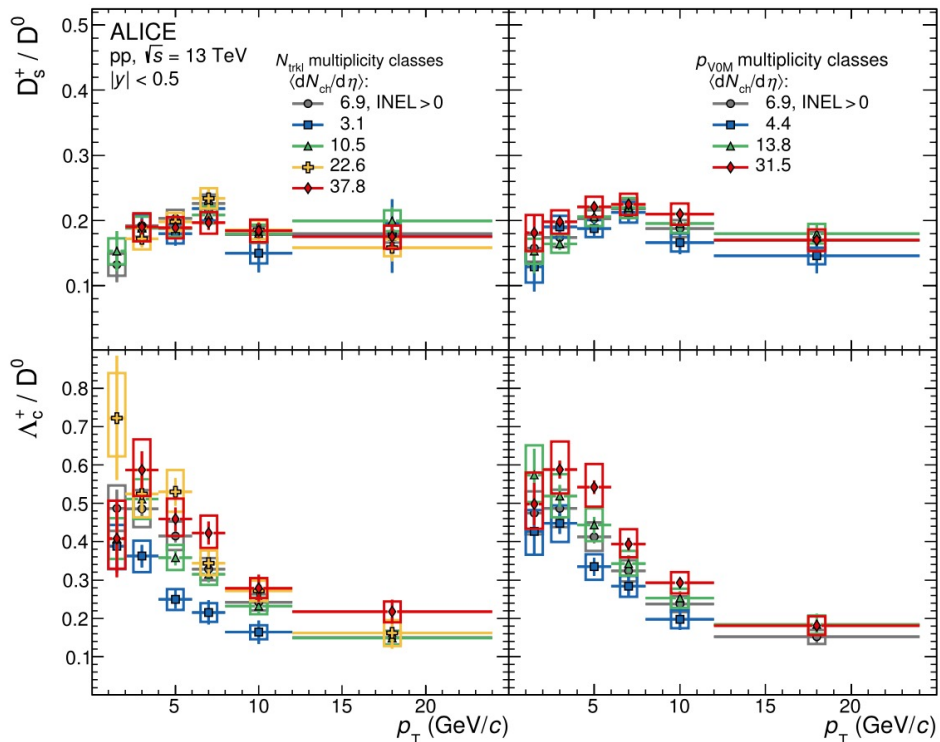
- WA82 (OMEGA): π^- -A collisions
 - charm production in forward hemisphere
- beam valence: $d\bar{u}$ (π^-)
- excess of D^- ($\bar{c}d$) over D^+ ($c\bar{d}$)
 - $D^-/D^+ = 1.34 \pm 0.13$
- particularly pronounced close to beam x_F
- (try and do this with Peterson's fragmentation...)
- modified PYTHIA tune:



E Norrbin and T Sjöstrand:
PLB 442 (1998) 407

(asymmetry vs x_F)

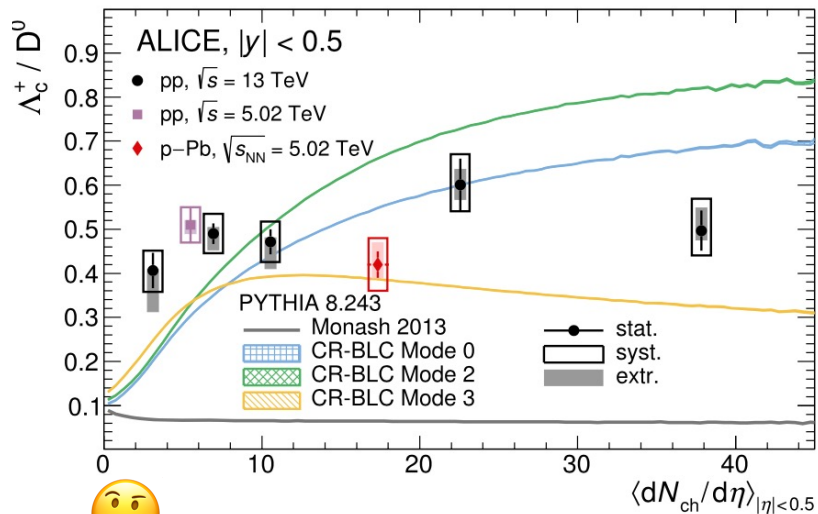
Multiplicity evolution?



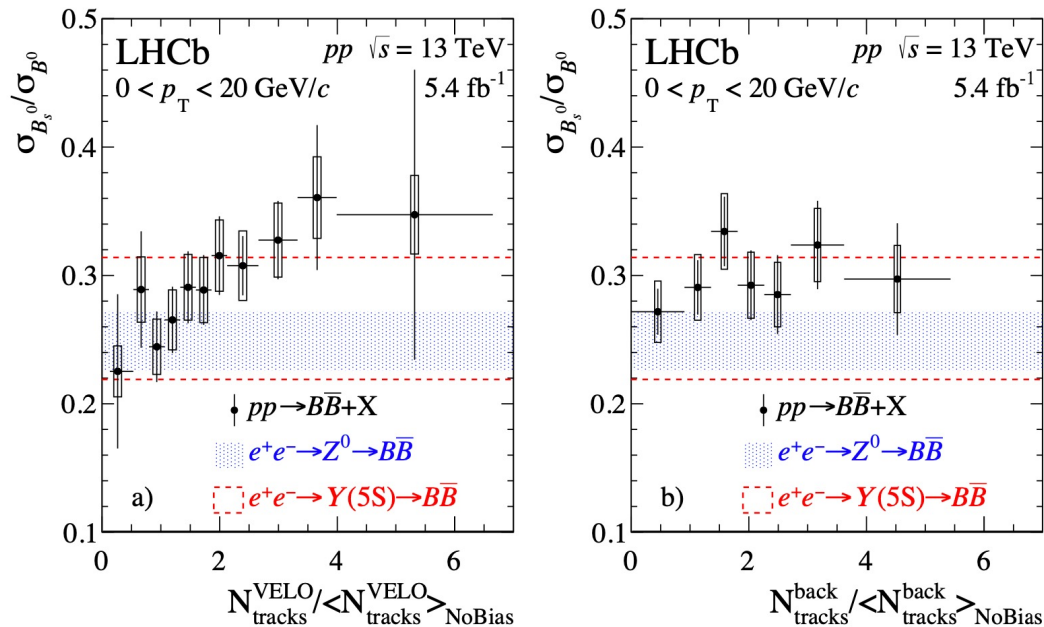
ALICE: PLB 829 (2022) 137065

- clear evolution for Λ_c/D
 - (not so much for $D_s/D...$)
 - (wrt neither to cent nor to fwd mult'y)

- and not much for the integrated yields?



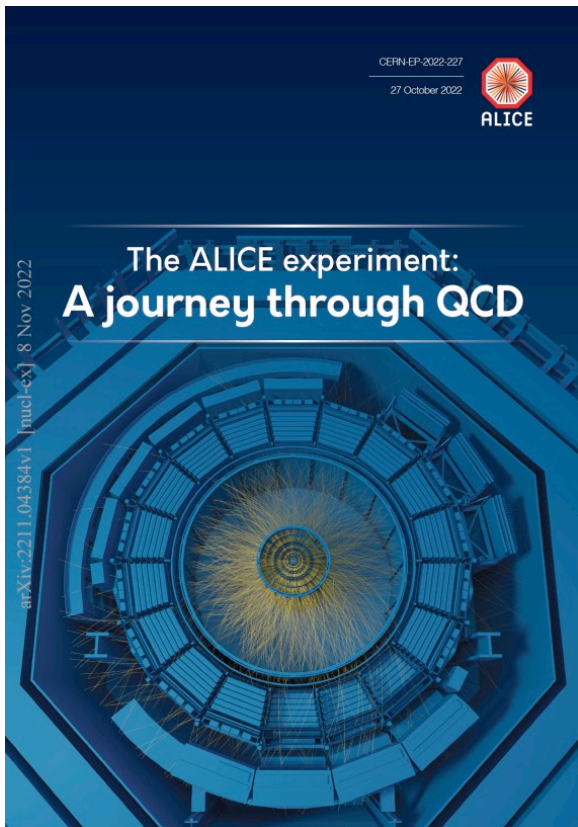
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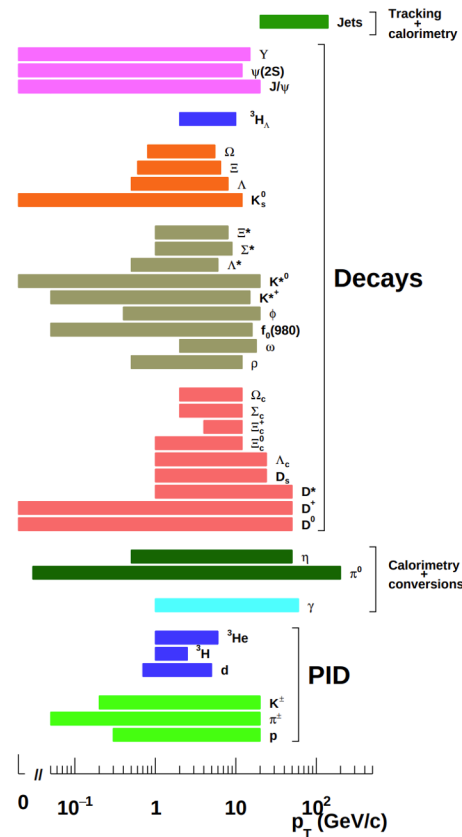
LHCb: arXiv:2204.13042

- evolution with local mult'y (VELO)
 - unlike for D_s ...?!
 - 🤔 ...
- not much with backward mult'y

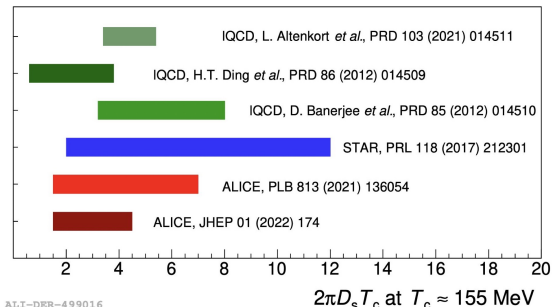
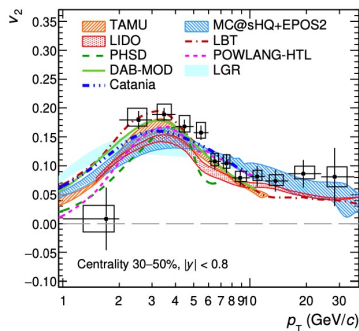
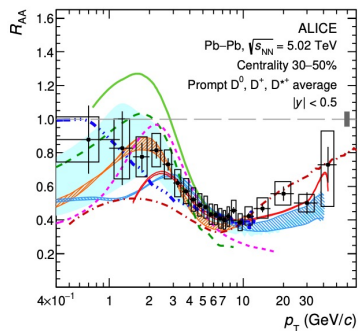
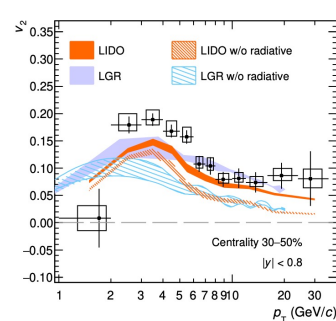
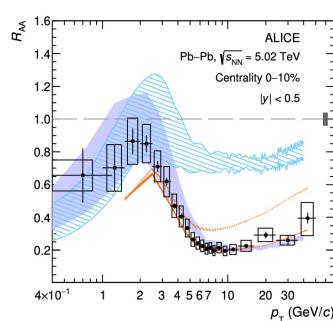
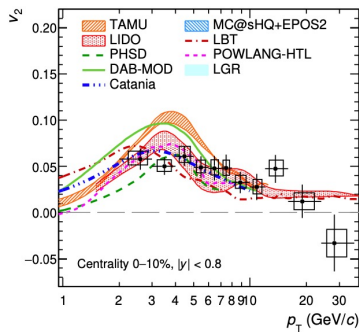
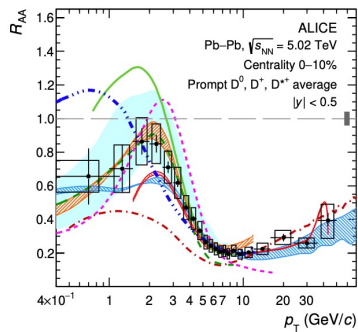
ALICE results from LHC Run 1, 2: full review



arXiv:2211.04384



Where do we go from here...?



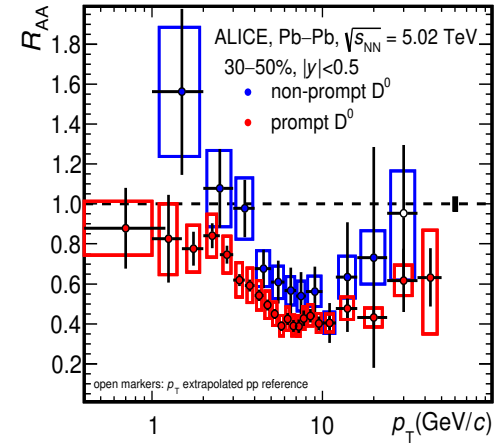
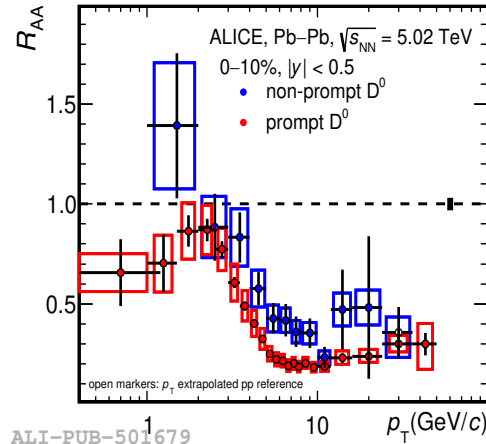
- 10-100 x expected from Run 3, 4 → entering high-precision era!
- ➔ in the following: a few of my personal favourites

Low- p_T beauty!

- beauty not fully equilibrated?
 - less suppression than for charm
 - less flow than for charm
 - SHM seems to fail
- relaxation ~ 3 times slower than charm
 - $\tau_Q = \left(\frac{m_Q}{T}\right) D_S$ (with $m_b \sim 3m_c$)
 - of course this does not imply that b cannot fully equilibrate...
 - given enough volume/time...
 -but experimentally it looks like it doesn't...

→ b mass just at the right spot?

- to see equilibration on the move...?

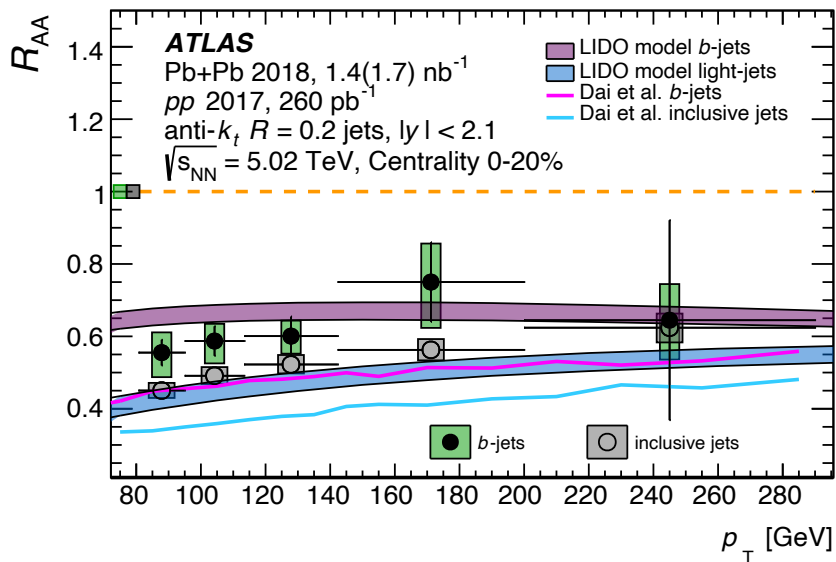


→ need high-precision b down to $p_T=0$

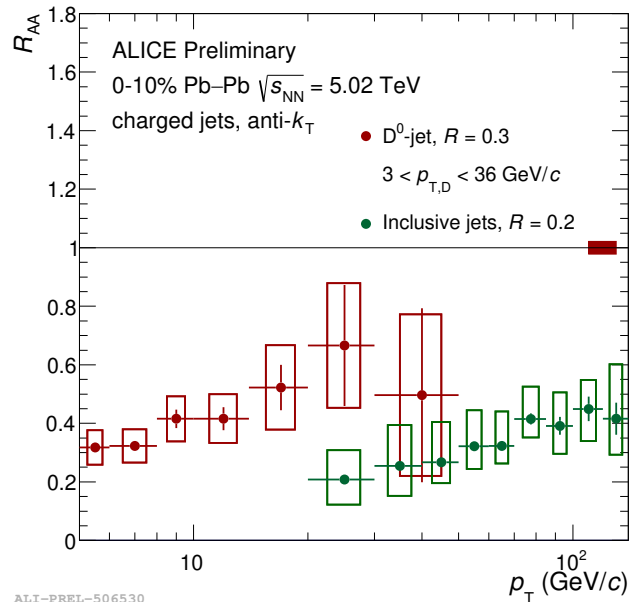
→ (and watch the hadrochemistry!)

Jets as quark proxy

- direct access to parton (ideally, at least...)



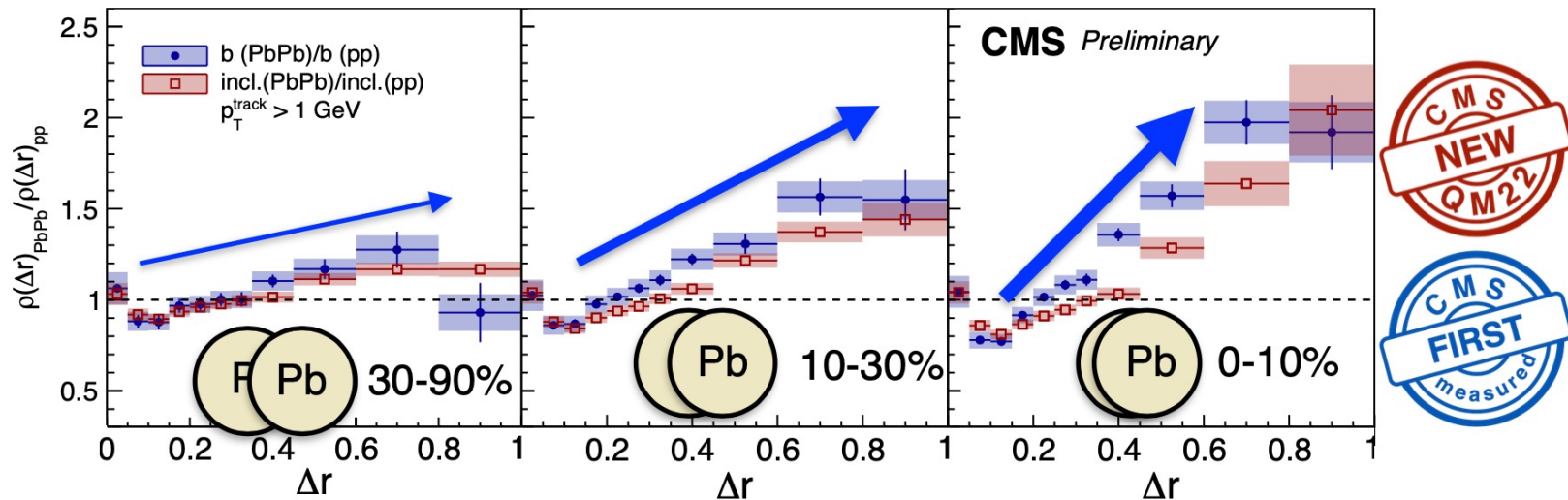
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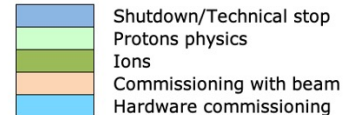
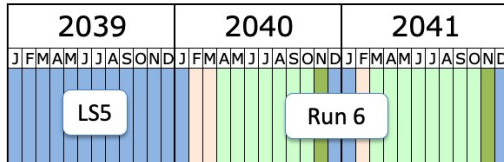
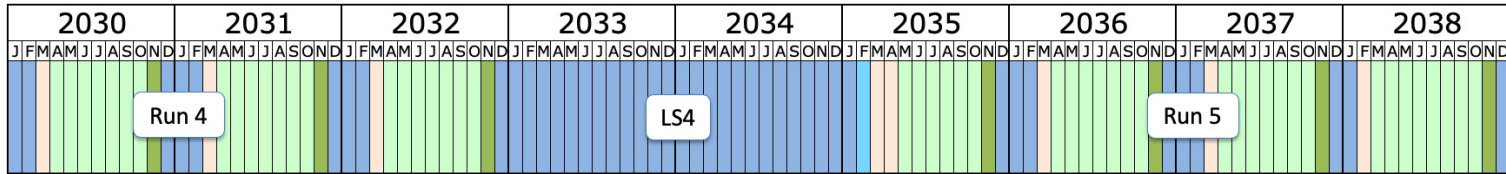
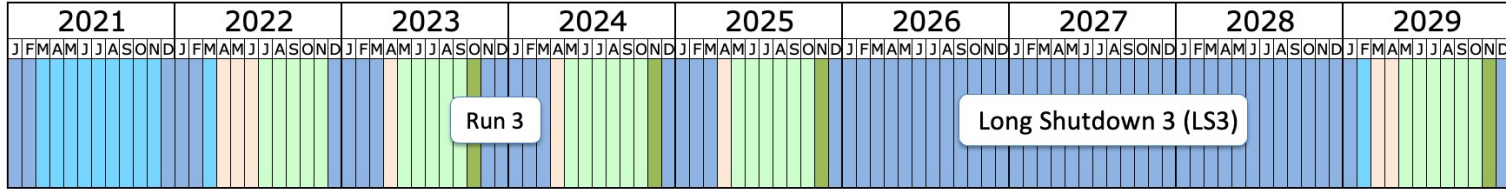
ALICE: SQM 2022

Jets as imaging of in-medium parton processes



LHC timeline

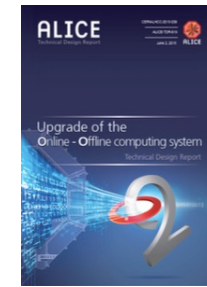
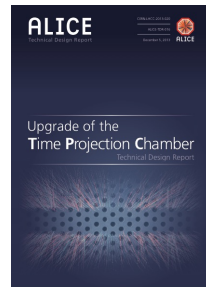
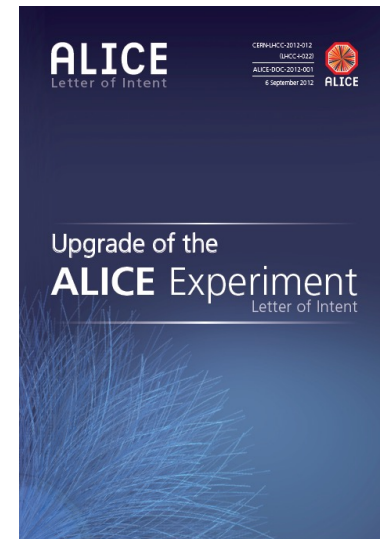
- during LS2:
 - LHC injector upgrades, Pb-Pb rate \rightarrow 50 kHz (now \sim 10 kHz)
 - major ALICE upgrades campaign (vertexing, data collection speed)
- aim for $> 13/\text{nb}$ Pb-Pb collisions (Run 3 + Run 4)



ALICE LS2 upgrades

Main physics goals

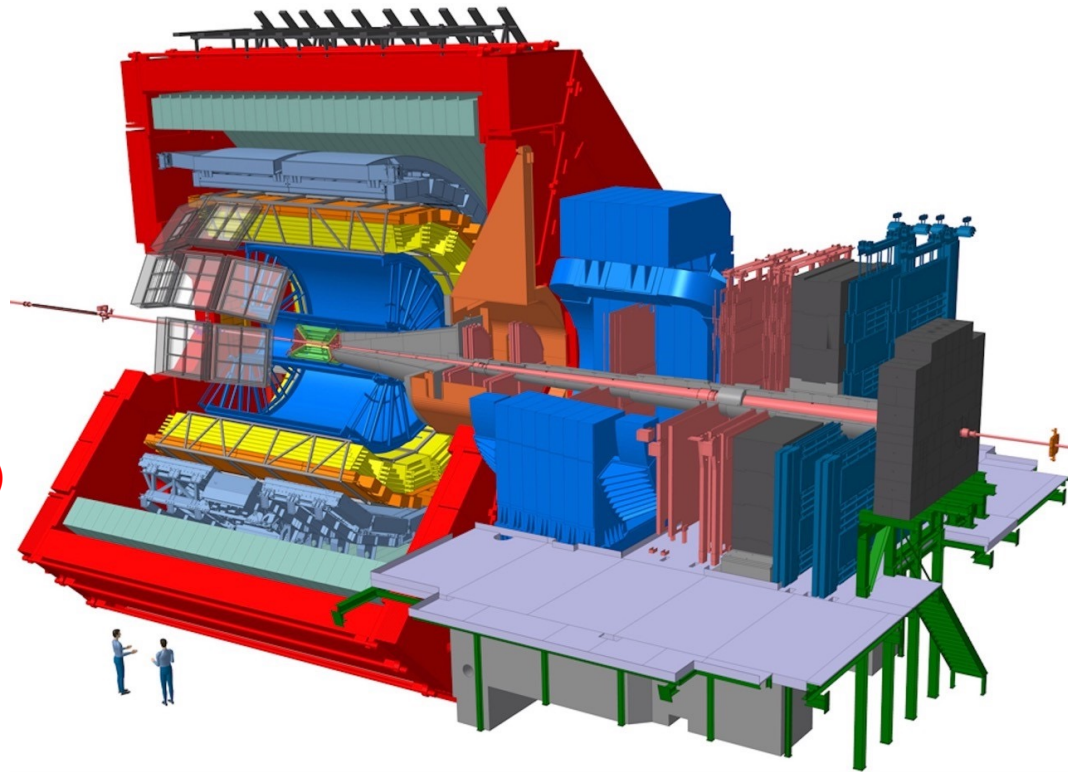
- study heavy quark interaction in QCD medium
→ heavy flavour dynamics and hadronisation at low p_T
- study charmonium regeneration in QGP
→ charmonium down to zero p_T
- chiral symmetry restoration and QGP radiation
→ vector mesons and virtual thermal photons (di-leptons)
- production of nuclei in QGP
→ high-precision measurement



ALICE LS2 upgrades

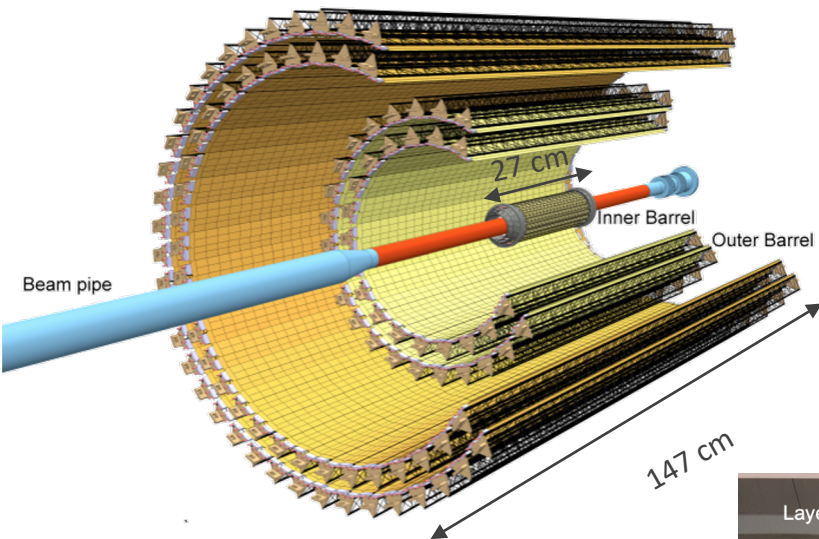
Layout

- **New Inner Tracking System (ITS)**
 - MAPS: improved resolution, less material, faster readout
- **New Muon Forward Tracker (MFT)**
 - vertex tracker at forward rapidity
- **New TPC Readout Chambers**
 - 4-GEM detectors → continuous r/o
- **New forward trigger detectors (FIT)**
 - centrality, event plane
- **Upgraded read-out for TOF, TRD, MUON, ZDC, EMCal, PHOS, new Online-Offline system (O²)**
 - record minimum-bias Pb-Pb data at 50 kHz (currently <1 kHz)





ITS upgrade: Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors



7-layer geometry (23 – 400mm, $|\eta| \leq 1.5$)

10 m² active silicon area (12.5 G-pixels)

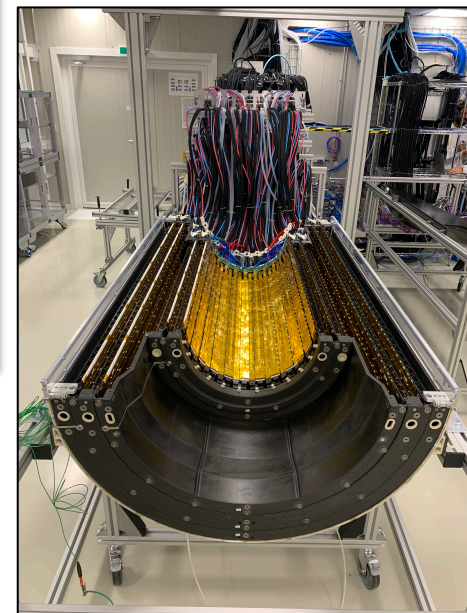
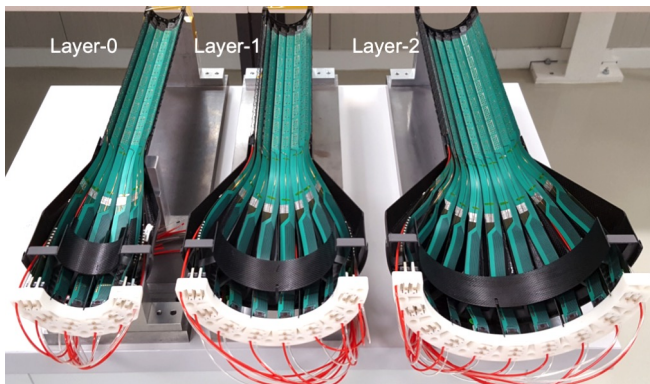
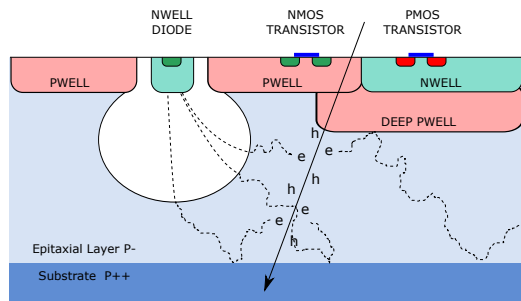
Pixel pitch 28 x 28 μm^2

Spatial resolution $\sim 5\mu\text{m}$

Power density < 40mW / cm²

Material thickness: $\sim 0.3\%$ / layer (IB)

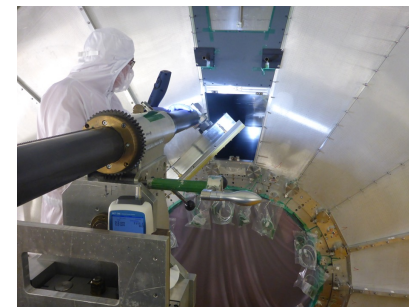
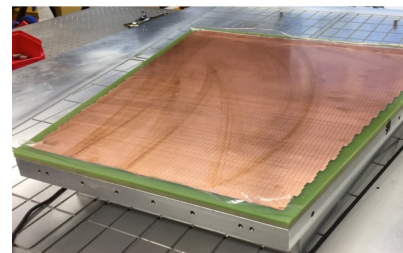
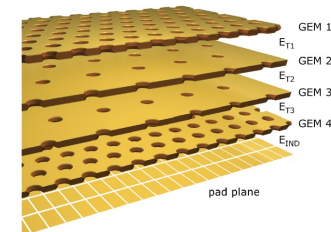
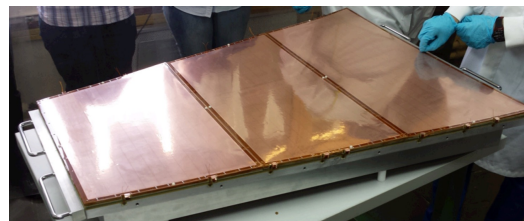
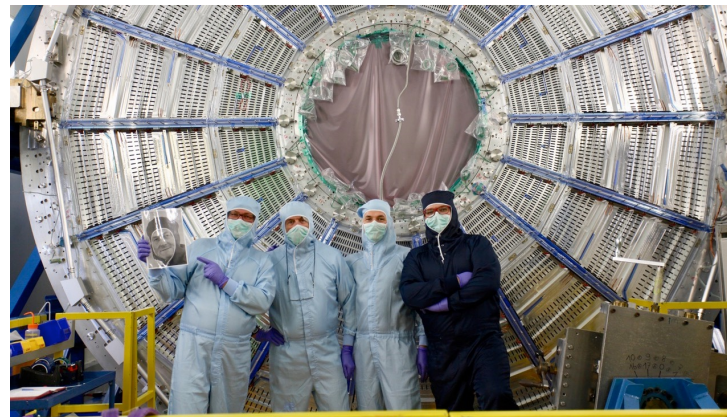
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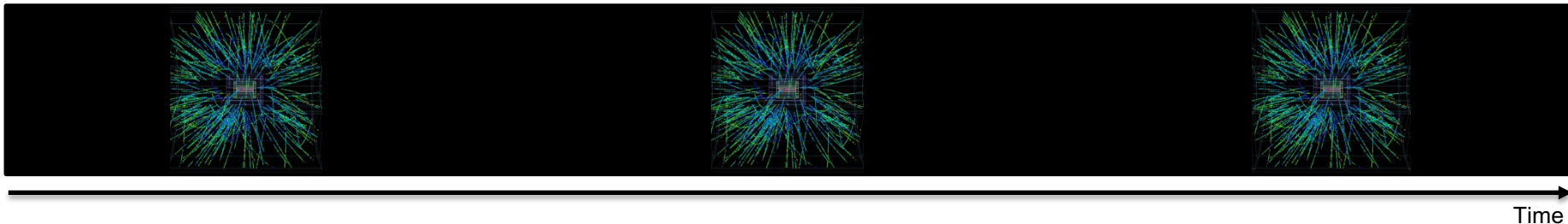
TPC upgrade: GEM readout

- with current MWPC r/o rate $< \text{kHz}$ (Pb-Pb)
 - limited by ion backflow, gating grid
- GEM: ion backflow suppressed to $< 1\%$
→ replace MWPC with 4-GEM stacks
- 100 m² single-mask GEM foils
- 524 000 pads
- continuous readout at 50 kHz (Pb-Pb)
→ 3.4 TB/s!

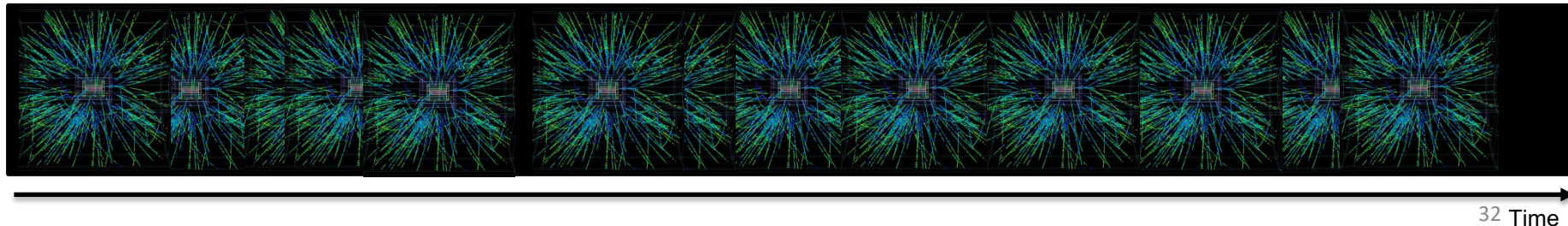


TPC at 50 kHz

- Run1, Run2: average time between collisions $\sim 125 \mu\text{s} \sim$ TPC drift time
 - 1 event in TPC at any given time \rightarrow triggerable



- after upgrade: average time between collision $\sim 20 \mu\text{s} \ll$ TPC drift time
 - 5 events in TPC at any given time \rightarrow continuous readout





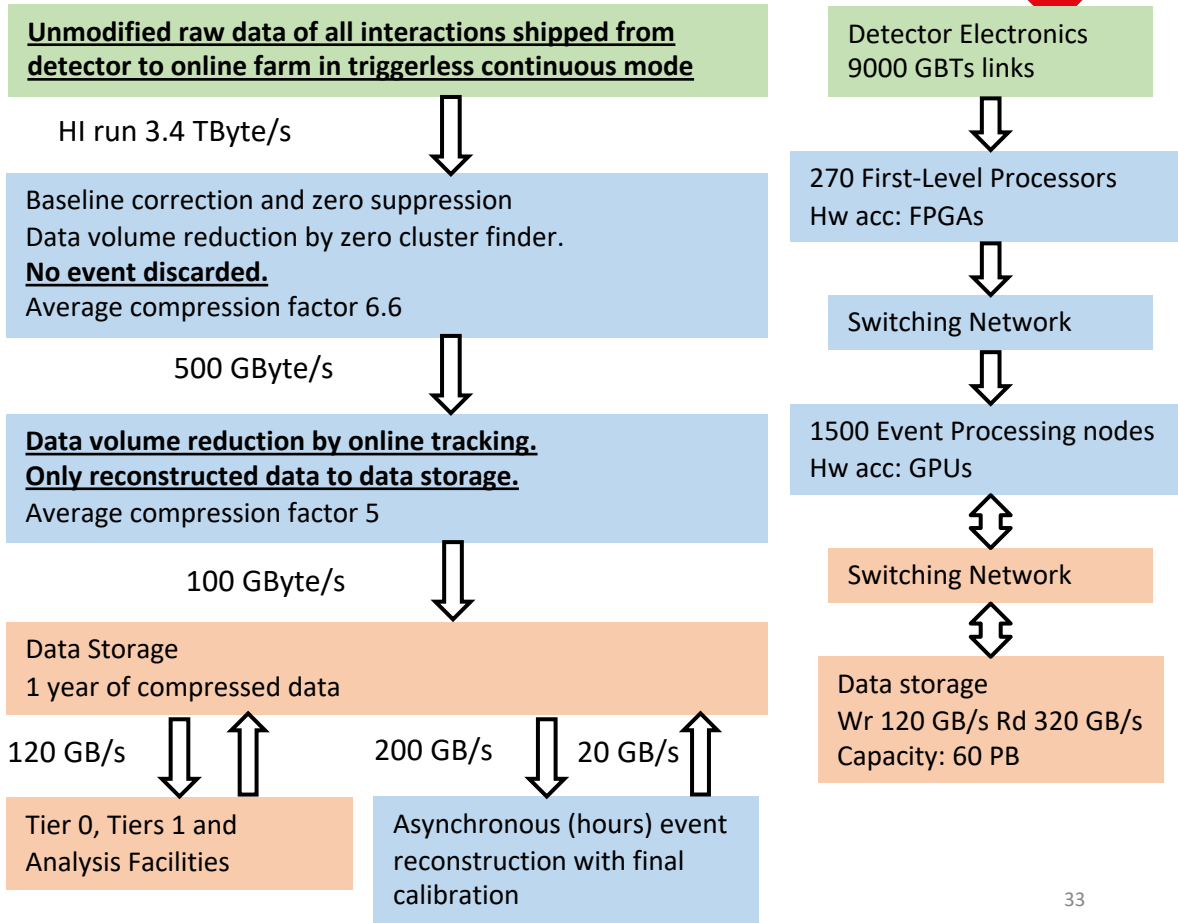
O² System

Requirements

1. LHC min bias Pb-Pb at 50 kHz
2. very small signal over background
→ triggering not possible
3. support for continuous read-out

New computing system

- read-out the data of all interactions
- compress data intelligently
→ online reconstruction
- common online-offline computing system
→ O²
- 2.2 MW Computer Centre on site

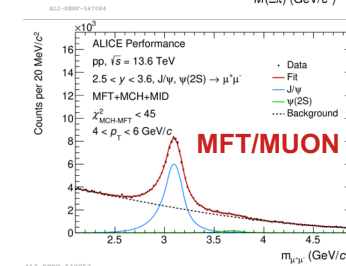
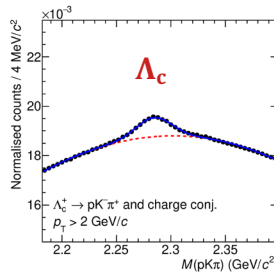
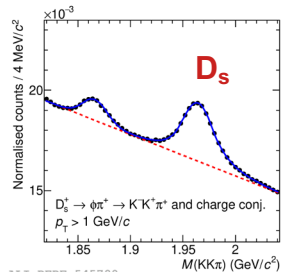
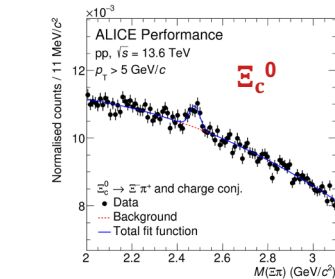
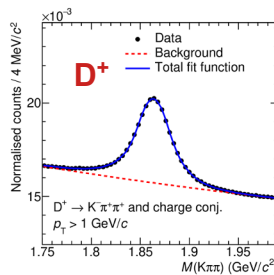
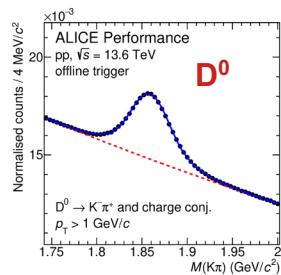
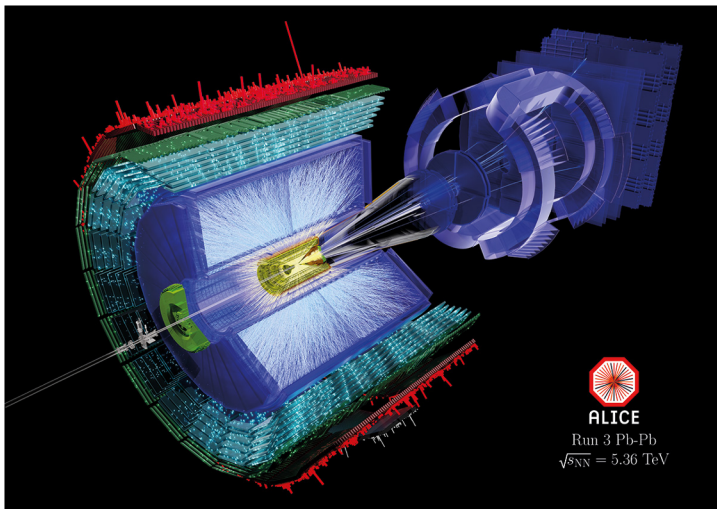
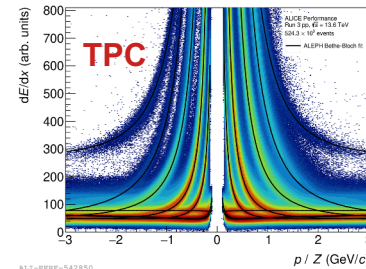
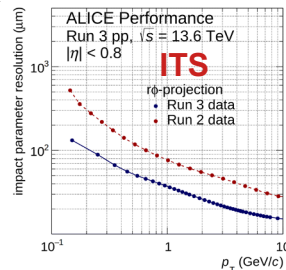
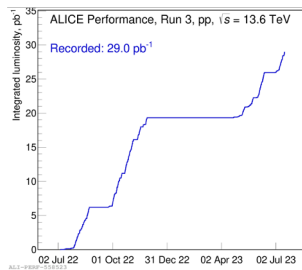




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Run 3 is here!

- huge increase in statistics
 - Pb-Pb x 100
 - pp, p-Pb x 1000
- analysis-level event selection
 - 10^4 compression factor

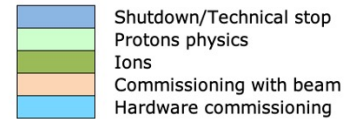
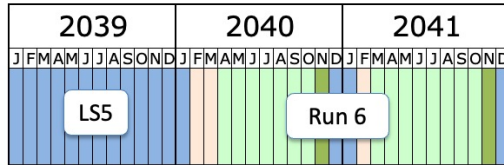
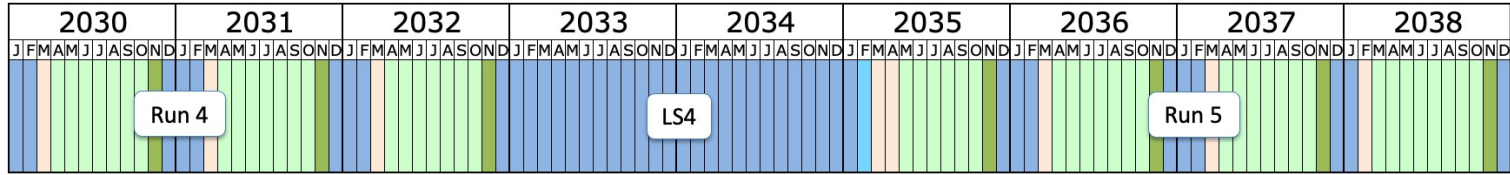


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Plans for LS3, LS4



Last update: April 2023

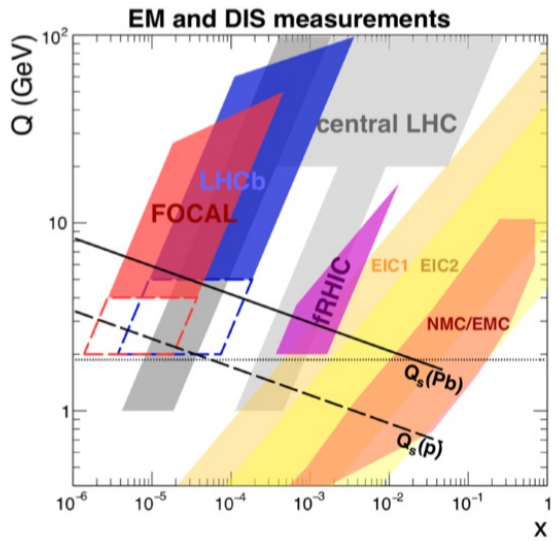
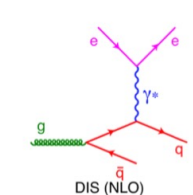
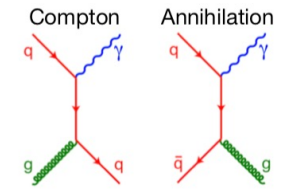
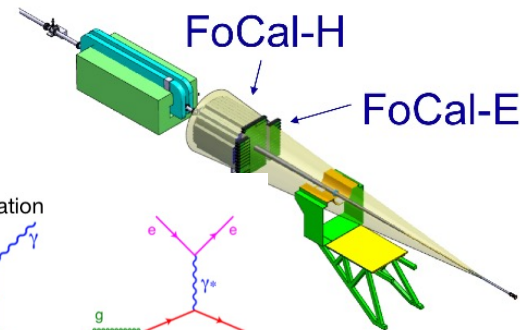


FoCal

- proposal to instrument ALICE with a Forward Calorimeter in LS3 [ALICE-PUBLIC-2019-005](#)

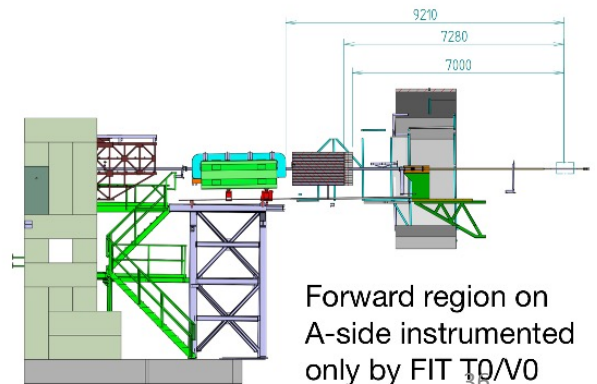
- FoCal-E: high-granularity Si-W sampling calorimeter
 - photons, π^0
- FoCal-H: sampling hadronic calorimeter
 - photon isolation, jets

→ access to gluon parton distribution functions



+ other observables

- π^0
- jets (and di-jets)
- J/ψ , Y in UPC
- W , Z
- event plane and centrality
- ...

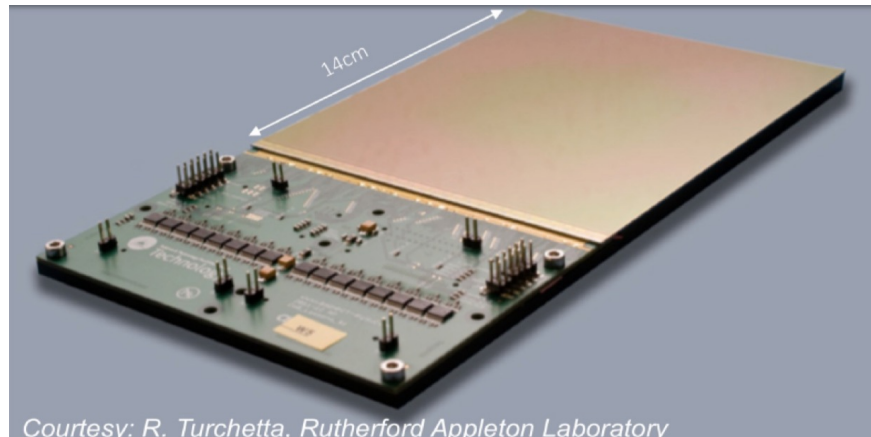


Beyond LS4

- ongoing upgrade will bring us to maximum rate for a TPC spectrometer
 - @ 50 kHz: space-charge distortions ~ 10 cm, track density $\sim 40\%$ (inner region)
- advances in CMOS technology open new opportunities
 - vertexing, tracking, calorimetry, ...



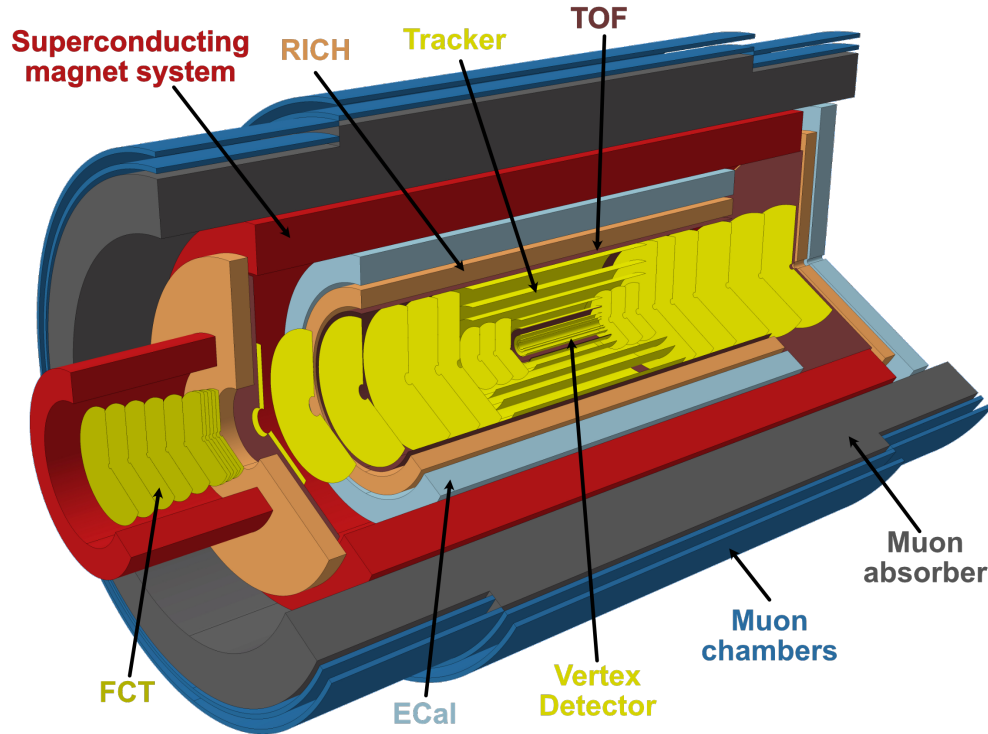
flexible wafers



wafer-size circuits (stitching)

A new dream: ALICE 3!

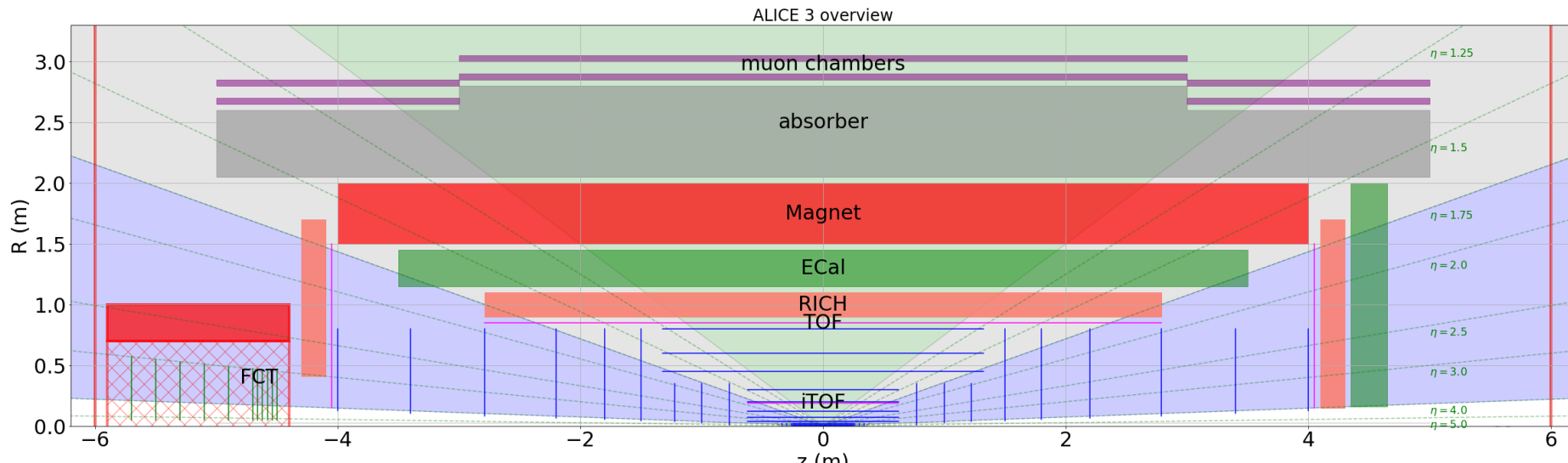
a next-generation heavy-ion experiment at the LHC



- compact, “all-silicon” tracker
- wide rapidity acceptance (8 units)
- high-resolution vertex detector
 - as close as possible to beams!
- superconducting magnet system
- hadron, muon, electron identification
- electromagnetic calorimeter
- forward conversion tracker

Observables

- heavy-flavour hadrons ($p_T \rightarrow 0$, wide η range)
 - \rightarrow vertexing, tracking, hadron id
- dileptons ($p_T \sim 0.1 - 3 \text{ GeV}/c$, $M_{ee} \sim 0.1 - 4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$)
 - \rightarrow vertexing, tracking, lepton id
- photons ($100 \text{ MeV}/c - 50 \text{ GeV}/c$, wide η range)
 - \rightarrow electromagnetic calorimetry
- quarkonia and exotica ($p_T \rightarrow 0$)
 - \rightarrow muon id
- jets
 - \rightarrow tracking and calorimetry, hadron id
- ultrasoft photons ($p_T \sim 1 - 50 \text{ MeV}/c$)
 - \rightarrow dedicated forward detector
- nuclei
 - \rightarrow identification of $z > 1$ particles

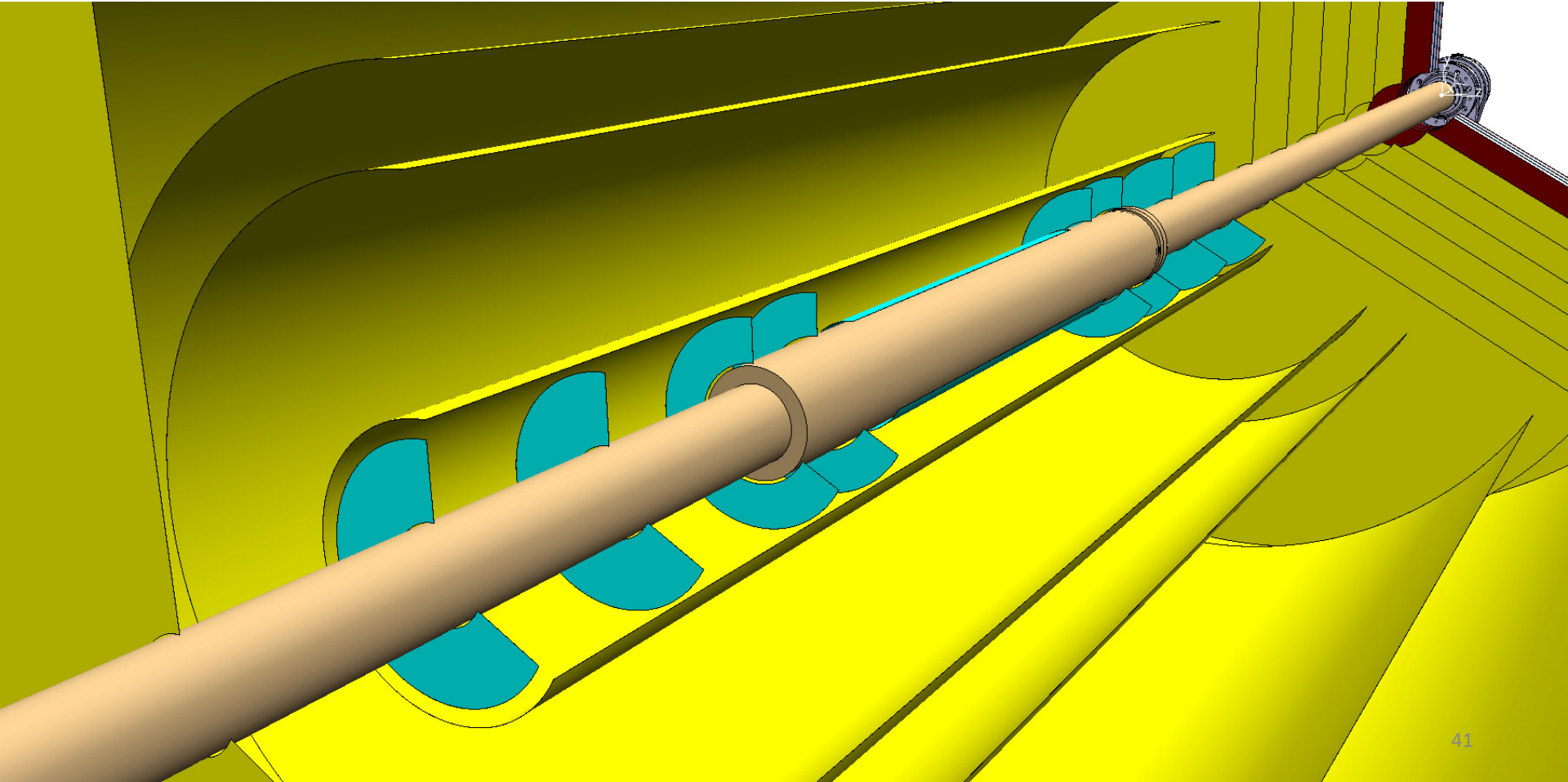




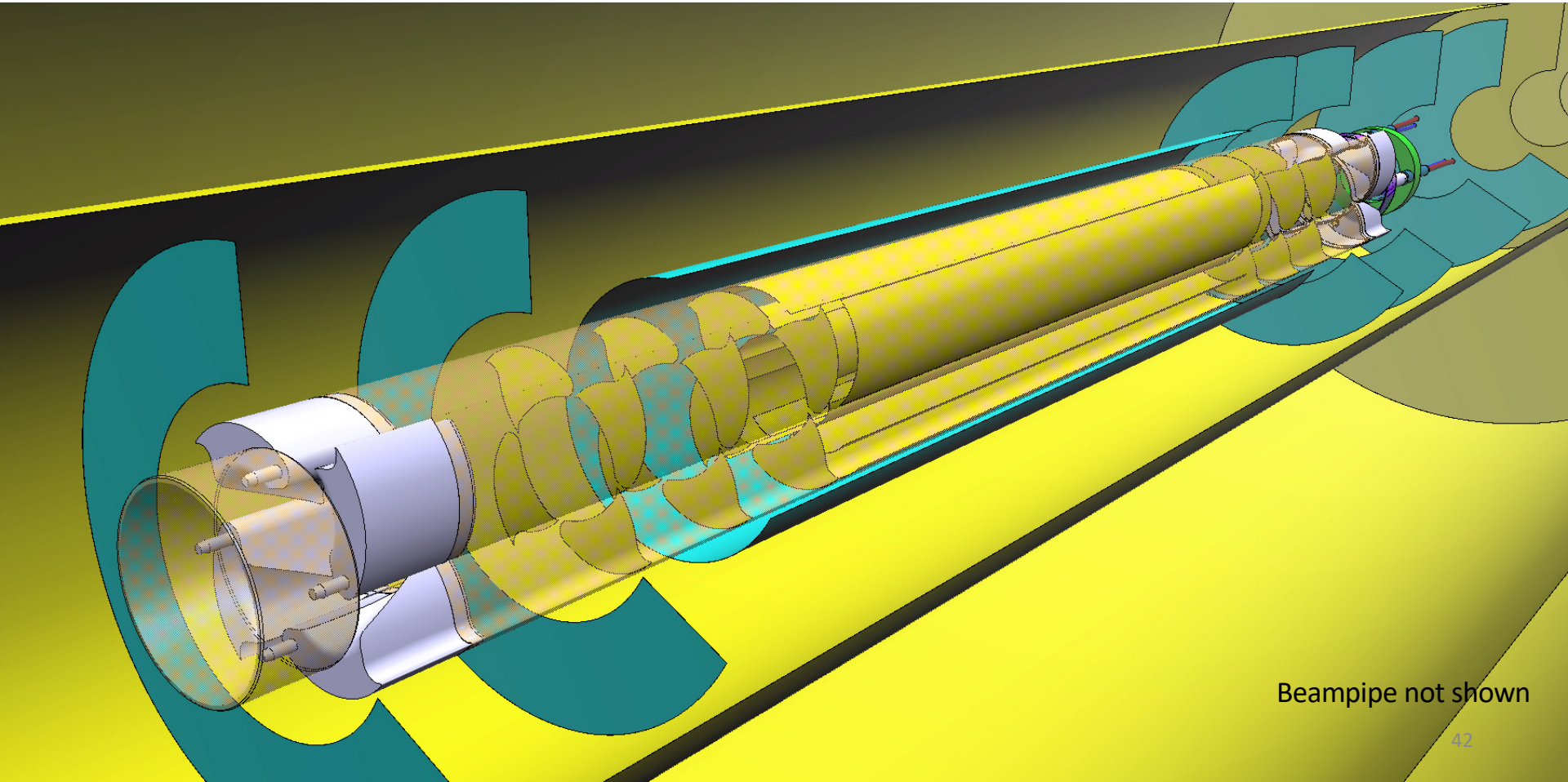
Detector requirements

Component	Observables	$ \eta < 1.75$ (barrel)	$1.75 < \eta < 4$ (forward)	Detectors
Vertexing	Multi-charm baryons, dielectrons	Best possible DCA resolution, $\sigma_{DCA} \approx 10 \mu\text{m}$ at 200 MeV/c	Best possible DCA resolution, $\sigma_{DCA} \approx 30 \mu\text{m}$ at 200 MeV/c	Retractable silicon pixel tracker: $\sigma_{\text{pos}} \approx 2.5 \mu\text{m}$, $R_{\text{in}} \approx 5 \text{ mm}$, $X/X_0 \approx 0.1 \%$ for first layer
Tracking	Multi-charm baryons, dielectrons		$\sigma_{\text{pT}} / \text{pT} \sim 1\text{-}2 \%$	Silicon pixel tracker: $\sigma_{\text{pos}} \approx 10 \mu\text{m}$, $R_{\text{out}} \approx 80 \text{ cm}$, $X/X_0 \approx 1 \%$ / layer
Hadron ID	Multi-charm baryons		$\pi/\text{K}/\text{p}$ separation up to a few GeV/c	Time of flight: $\sigma_{\text{tof}} \approx 20 \text{ ps}$ RICH: aerogel, $\sigma_{\theta} \approx 1.5 \text{ mrad}$
Electron ID	Dielectrons, quarkonia, $\chi_{c1}(3872)$	pion rejection by 1000x up to $\sim 2 - 3 \text{ GeV}/c$		Time of flight: $\sigma_{\text{tof}} \approx 20 \text{ ps}$ RICH: aerogel, $\sigma_{\theta} \approx 1.5 \text{ mrad}$ possibly preshower detector
Muon ID	Quarkonia, $\chi_{c1}(3872)$		reconstruction of J/ψ at rest, i.e. muons from 1.5 GeV/c	steel absorber: $L \approx 70 \text{ cm}$ muon detectors
Electromagnetic calorimetry	Photons, jets		large acceptance	Pb-Sci calorimeter
	χ_c	high-resolution segment		PbWO ₄ calorimeter
Ultrasoft photon detection	Ultra-soft photons		measurement of photons in pT range 1 - 50 MeV/c	Forward Conversion Tracker based on silicon pixel sensors

IRIS: inside the beam pipe

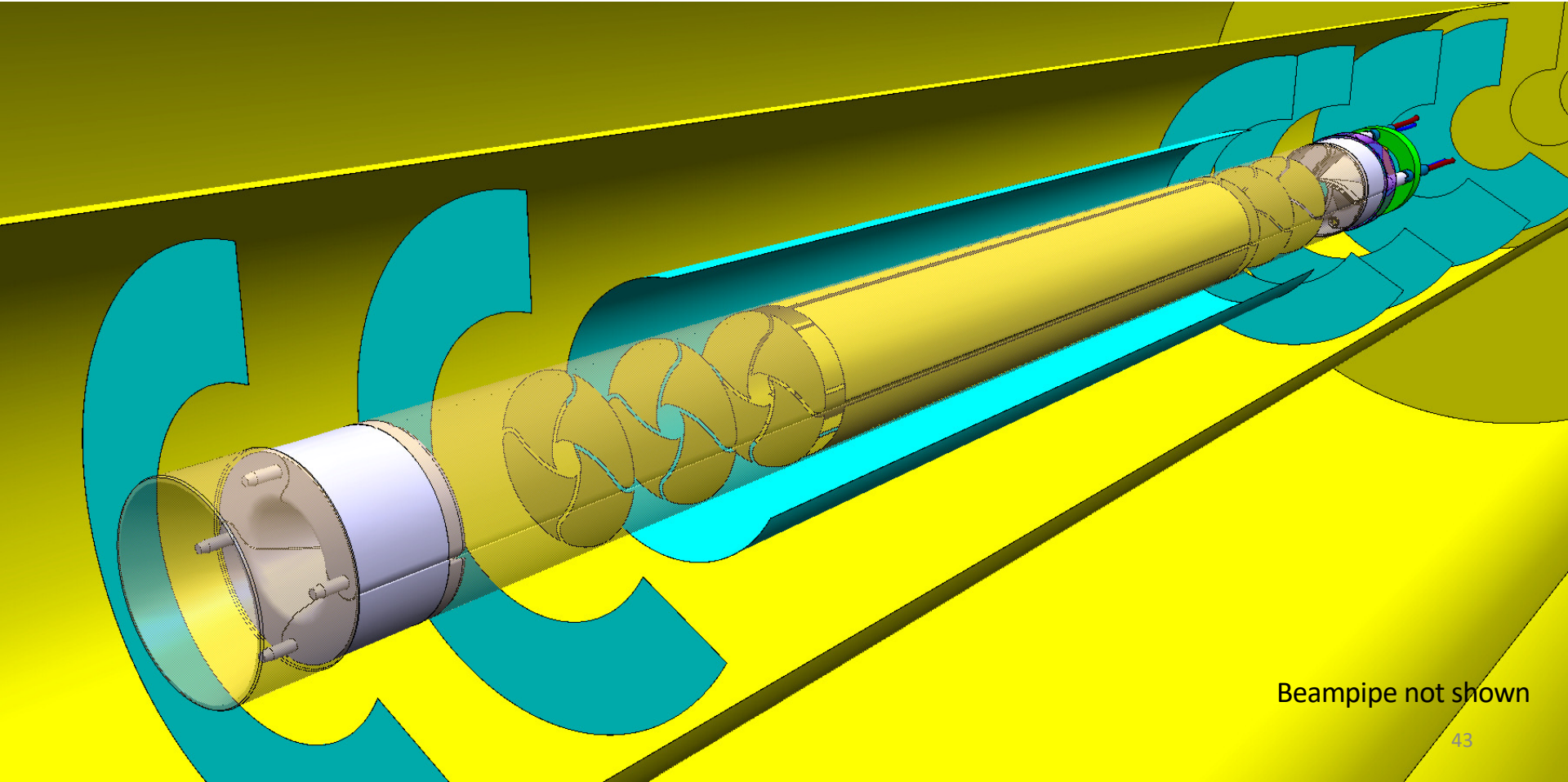


IRIS: inside the beam pipe



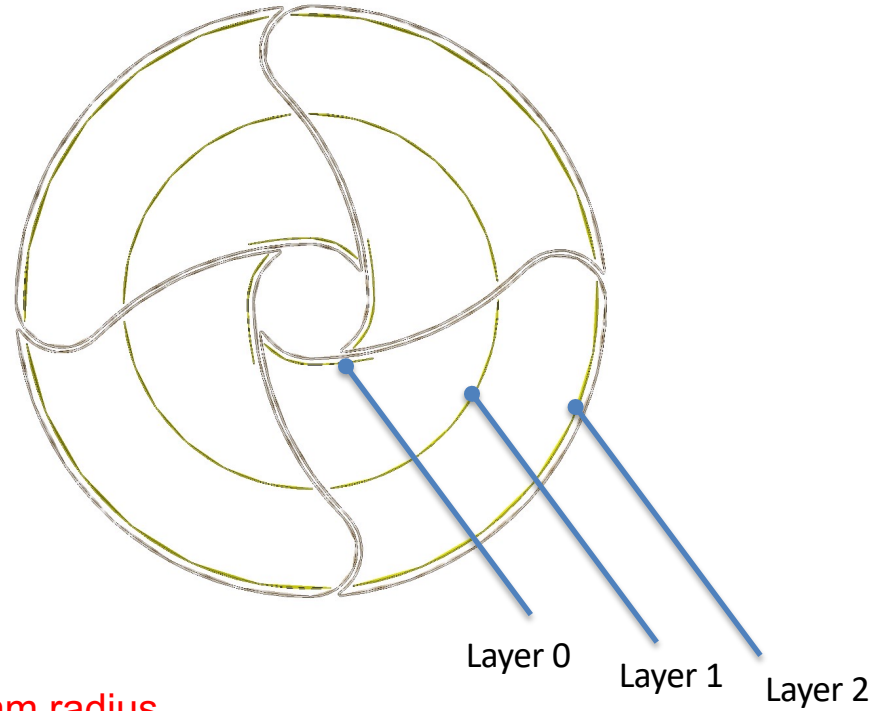
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IRIS: inside the beam pipe



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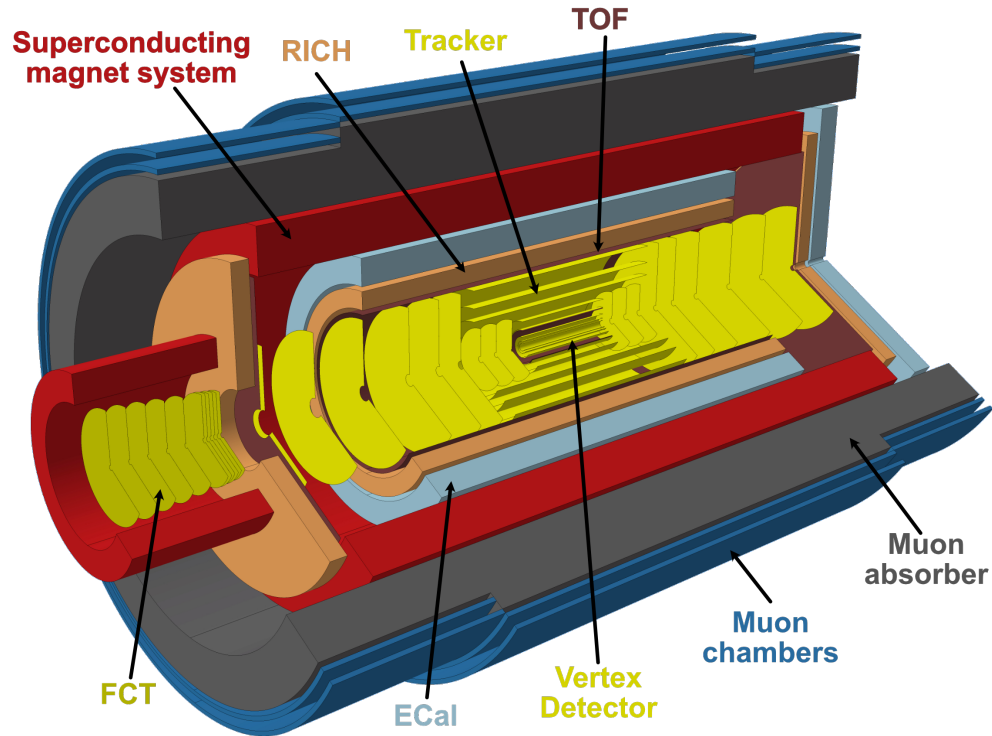
IRIS: aperture



Minimum aperture at injection: 16mm radius
Closes to 5mm radius during operation

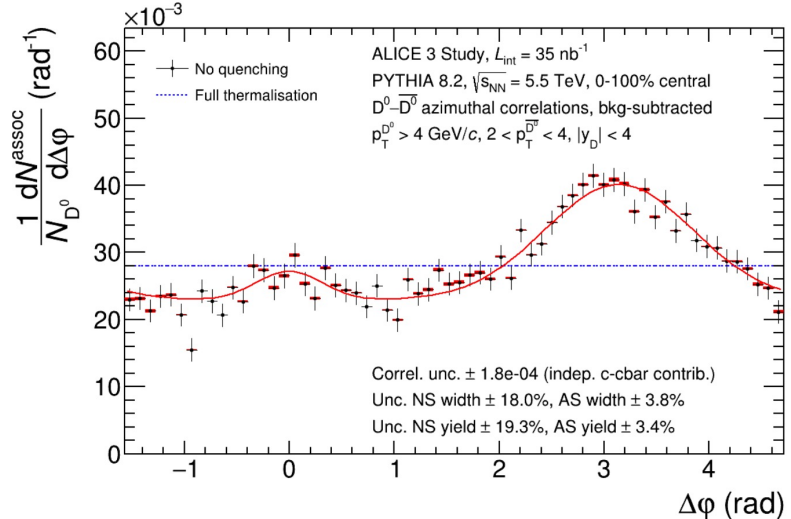
Physics potential

- some personal favourites...

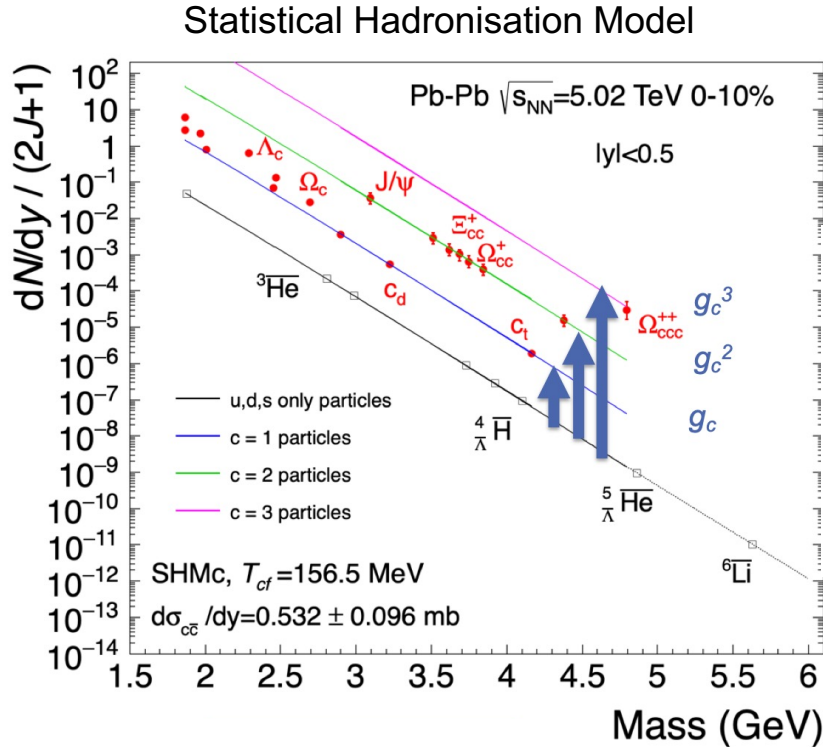


$D\bar{D}$ correlations

- ~ Rutherford experiment on QGP!
- constrain energy loss and angular decorrelation simultaneously
- collisional vs radiative eloss vs momentum scale
- full isotropisation at low p_T ?
- e.g.: ALICE 3 Lol →

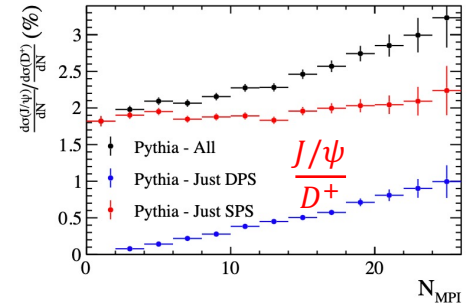
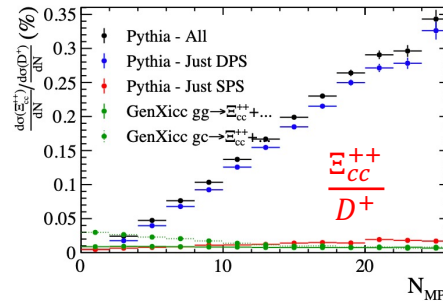


Multi-charm: the final frontier?



A Andronic et al.: JHEP 07 (2021) 035

- huge enhancements predicted
 - up to 10^3 wrt pQCD for the Ω_{ccc} !
- negligible production in Single-Parton Scattering
 - unlike J/ψ



P Skands & C: arXiv:2205.15681

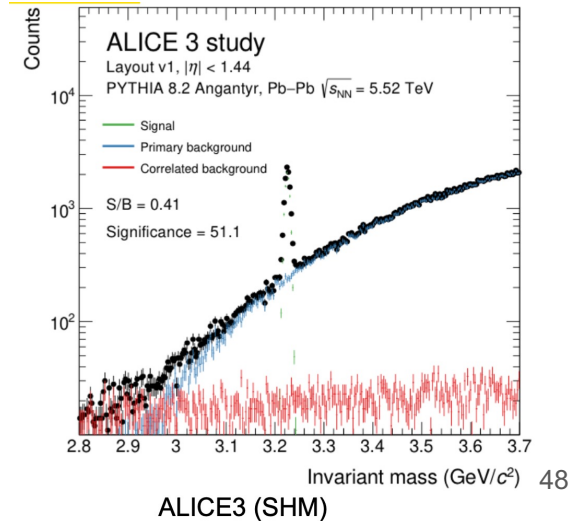
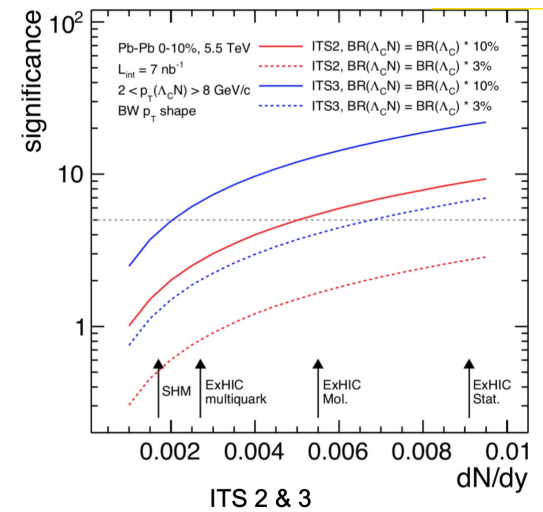
- only “exogamous” production
 - unlike J/ψ
- ultimate sensitivity to degree of c thermalisation

Charmed hypernuclei?

- nuclei containing a charm baryon
 - sometimes called *supernuclei*
- e.g.: c-deuteron ($\Lambda_c^+ n$), c-triton ($\Lambda_c^+ nn$)
- first suggested in the 70's
 - C B Dover and S H Kahana, PRL 39 (1977) 1506
- existence/stability debated ever since

- at SHM abundances \rightarrow expected to come into view at LHC
- if full equilibration confirmed both for c and for nuclear states...
 \rightarrow discover or exclude existence!

- + direct study of Λ_c^+ -N potential via femtoscopy?



An old dream: thermal charm?

- $\gamma_c \sim 30 \rightarrow$ thermal component only $\sim 3\%$
- but that's for central Pb-Pb...
- initial production: $Y_{in}(c\bar{c}) \propto A^{4/3}$
- thermal production: $Y_{th}(c\bar{c}) \propto A$
- $\gamma_c \propto \frac{Y_{in}}{Y_{th}} \propto A^{1/3}$
- e.g. for central Ar-Ar (or $\sim 60\%$ Pb-Pb) $\gamma_c \sim 15$
- \rightarrow thermal component already 6%
 - + centrality / A dependence different from initial component
- \rightarrow can it be separated from other centrality-dependent effects with very-large stats?
- **btw: already in our minds at time of ALICE TP**
 - (but theory predictions were overestimated...)

E V Shuryak: Yadernaya Fizika 28 (1978) 403

**КВАРК-ГЛЮОННАЯ ПЛАЗМА И РОЖДЕНИЕ ЛЕПТОНОВ,
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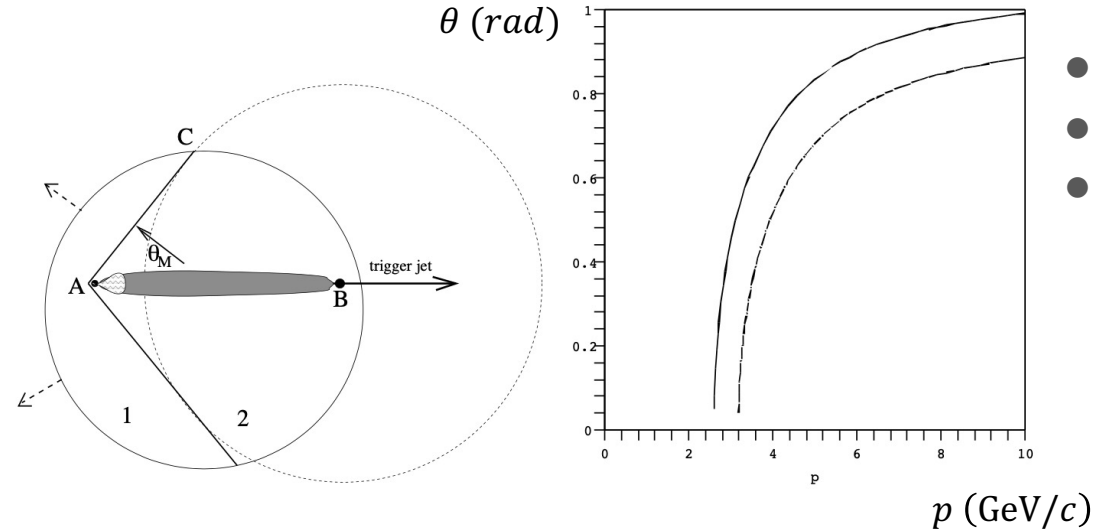
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(Поступила в редакцию 14 марта 1978 г.)

Предлагается теория явлений, связанных с массами M и поперечными импульсами p_{\perp} , такими, что $1 \text{ Гэв} \ll M, p_{\perp} \ll \sqrt{s}$. Для их описания применяется модель локально-равновесной кварк-глюонной плазмы, разлетающейся по определенному закону. Применение квантовой хромодинамики для вычисления скоростей ряда реакций в такой плазме позволяет вычислить спектры масс дилептонов, распределение по p_{\perp} лептонов, фотонов, пионов и адронных струй, сечения рождения пар очарованных кварков и различных состояний чармония (псионов): J/ψ , χ , ψ' -мезонов. Результаты согласуются с экспериментальными данными.

An old dream: beauty shock waves?

- low momentum b quarks are slow! (e.g.: at 10 GeV $\beta \sim 0.9$)
- angle of shock wave emitted by propagating b quark should depend on p

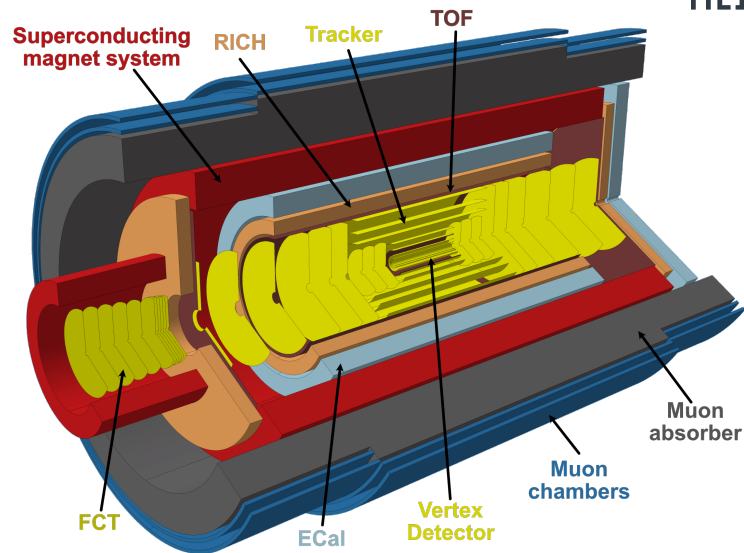


- taking $\bar{c}_s \sim 1/\sqrt{3} \dots 1/2$
- b subsonic for $p < \sim 3$ GeV/c
- p-dependent wake in multi-GeV range?
 - $\sim 40^\circ$ at 5 GeV, $\sim 55^\circ$ at 10 GeV!



Physics potential (examples)

- heavy flavours, quarkonia
 - multi-heavy flavoured hadrons (Ξ_{cc} , Ω_{cc} , Ω_{ccc})
 - D D correlations
 - B mesons at low p_T
 - χ_c , X, Y, Z states and exotic hadrons
- low-mass dielectrons
 - chiral symmetry restoration
 - thermal continuum (virtual photons)
- fluctuations of conserved charges
 - over wide rapidity range
- ultra-soft photons
 - down to MeV scale with dedicated forward spectrometer
- nuclei, hyper-nuclei, search for super-nuclei (with c baryons)
- BSM searches
 - dark photons
 - axion-like particles
 - ...



Letter of Intent: <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2803563>

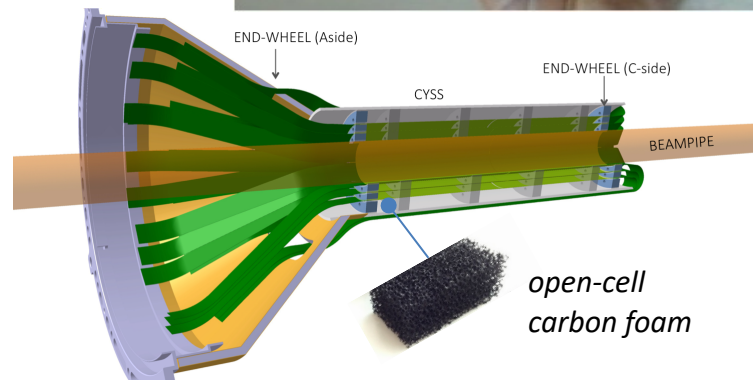
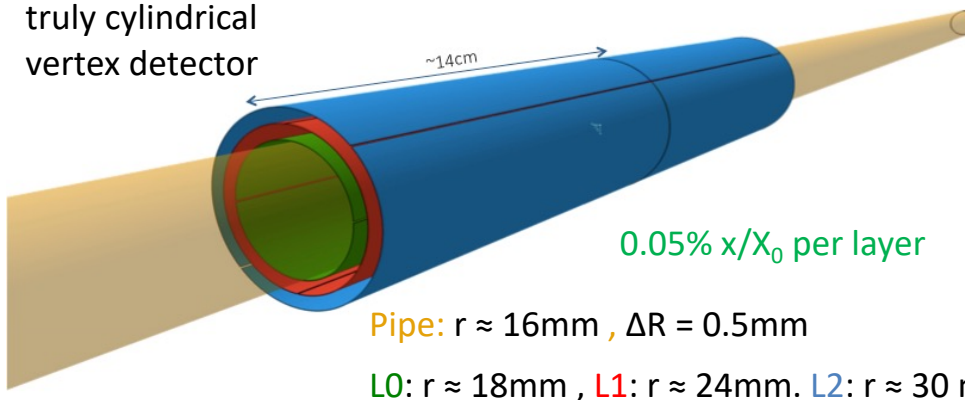
ITS3 Vertex detector (3 inner layers)

a new, ultra-light Inner Barrel in LS3

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- advances in Silicon technology: ultra-thin, wafer-scale sensors
 - eliminate active cooling (for power < 20 mW/cm²)
 - eliminate electrical substrate (if sensor covers full stave length)
 - perfectly cylindrical geometry
(30 μm thick can be curved to 10-20 mm radius)

truly cylindrical
vertex detector



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