

Soft and Hard probes of proton multiple scattering in p+Pb collisions with the ATLAS experiment at the LHC

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Motivation

The study of particle production and scaling properties and underlying nature of $p+Pb$ collisions,

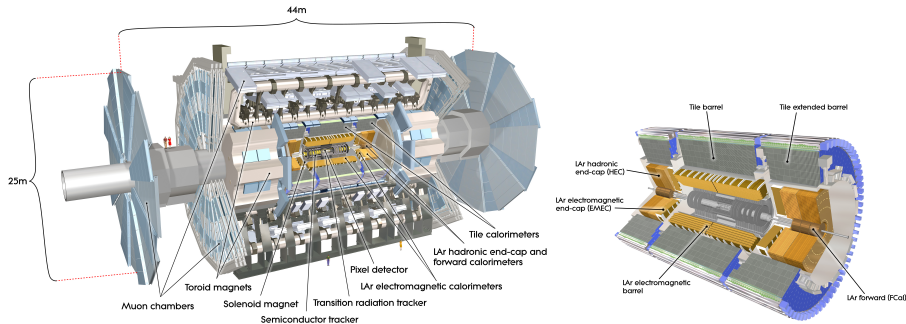
In $p+Pb$, nucleons are struck multiple times. Simply an incoherent sum of nucleon-nucleon interactions?

- Hard Probes: Inclusive Jets and Z bosons
- Soft Probes: Charged particle η distributions.

Allow the study initial state nuclear effects.

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/HeavyIonsPublicResults>

p+Pb data Data: 2012 ($1\mu b^{-1}$) and 2013 (30 nb^{-1}).
 $p = 4\text{ TeV}$, $Pb = 1.57\text{ TeV}/A$, $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02\text{ TeV}$ and $\Delta y \approx \pm 0.47$.



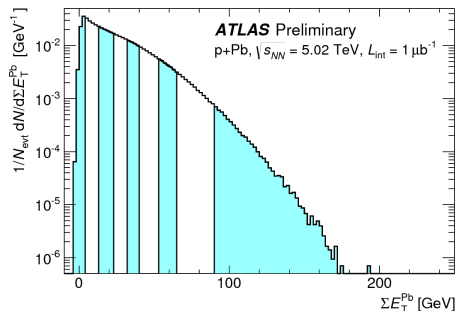
Results presented are based on measurements of:

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| ➊ Electrons (ID, MS, CAL) | ➋ Jets (ID, CAL) |
| ➌ Muons (ID,MS) | ➍ Event activity (FCAL) |
| ➎ Charged particles (ID) | ➏ + trigger system |

Experimental Selection of Centrality

Geometry of the p+Pb collision is indirectly constrained by measurements of soft particle production in Pb going direction.

(sensitive to multiple interactions in Pb nucleus).

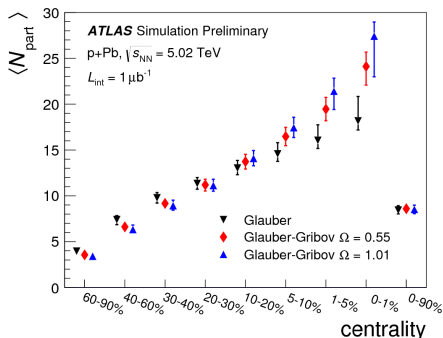


- Centrality characterized by the total E_T deposited in Pb-going Forward Calorimeters.
- Centrality classes defined with percentiles of total E_T : 0-1% (**most central**), 5-10%, 10-20%....60-90% (**most peripheral**).
- Class 90-100% excluded from analysis.

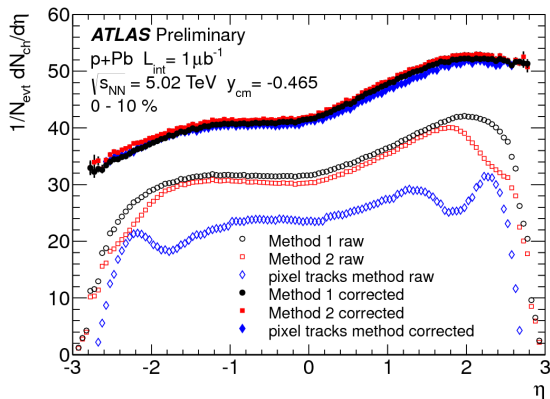
Centrality and Geometry

Estimate the number of nucleons that participate in the p+Pb collision, N_{part} , for each centrality class.

- Geometry estimated with semi-classical model. “Glauber” with $\sigma_{NN} = 70 \pm 5$ mb, and
- “Glauber-Gribov” extension with event-by-event fluctuations on σ_{NN} controlled by Ω , estimated from data PLB 633 (2006), PLB 722 (2013) .
- Monte Carlo simulation and fit to measured FCAL E_T used to estimate $\langle N_{part} \rangle$ in each centrality class.

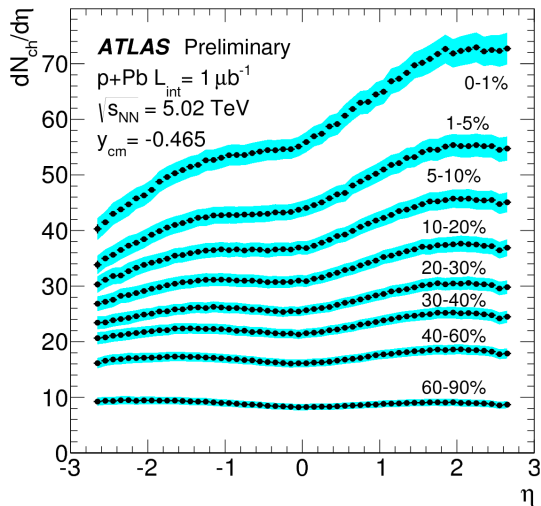


Charged particle reconstruction



- Hits in the first three Pixel detector layers are used.
- Three methods with different systematics and acceptance.
 - Two 2-point tracklet methods. (black and red).
 - 3-point track method (extrapolated to $p_T=0$). (blue)
- Consistency among methods after corrections. ✓

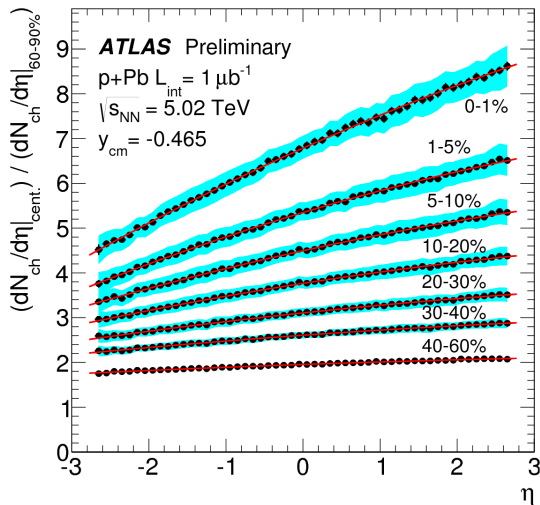
Charged particle multiplicity vs centrality



$\eta < 0$ is proton-going.

- $dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta$ measured for $|\eta| < 2.7$ in eight centrality intervals.
- Visible double peak structure.
- Distribution asymmetry has strong centrality dependence.

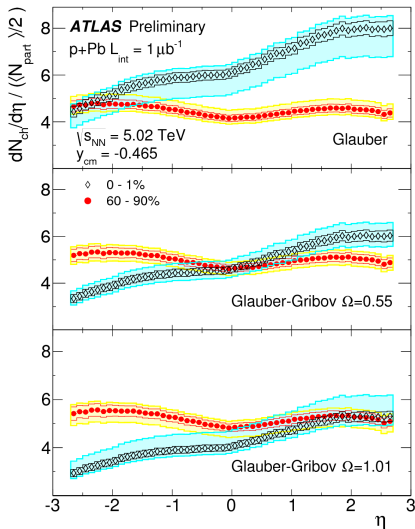
Ratios to the most peripheral distribution



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- Divide by the most peripheral (60-90%) events “*pp* like”.
- Double peak divides out
- Ratio grows linearly with η . Centrality dependent slope

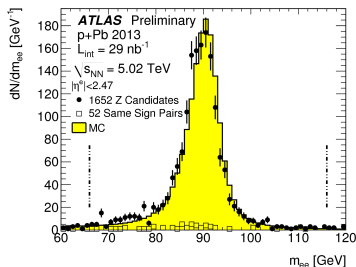
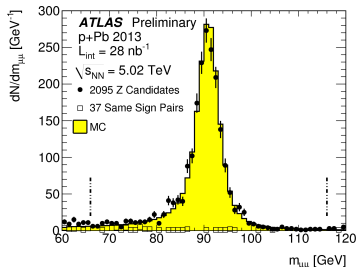
N_{part} scaling



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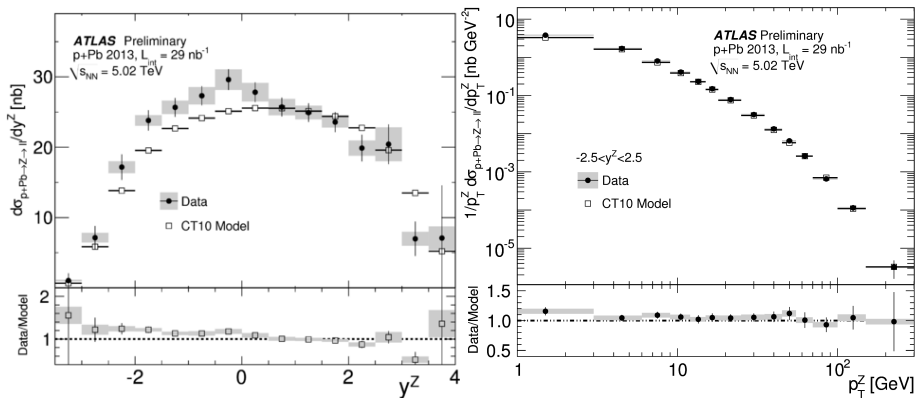
- Normalized to $\langle N_{part} \rangle / 2$ for 0-1% and 60-90% events.
- Same data but different $\langle N_{part} \rangle$ according to three geometrical models
- Intercept (scaling) occurs at different η for the different models.
- Central events show enhancement at Pb-going side, or suppression at p-going side depending on model.

Z boson reconstruction: $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and $Z \rightarrow ee$



- Dimuon and dielectron channel used. Good agreement; results are combined.
- MC: Powheg CT10, PYTHIA8 showering. Used to correct data. Checked with data-driven methods.
- MC is normalized to total NNLO prediction, used as baseline.

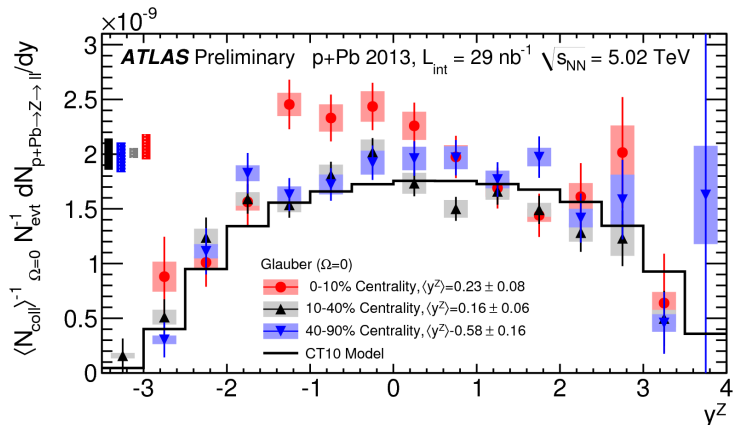
Z boson differential cross-sections



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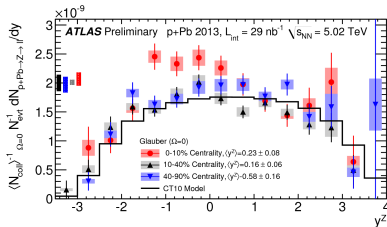
- Significant excess at Pb going side with respect to CT10.

Z boson: N_{coll} -scaled centrality differential yield

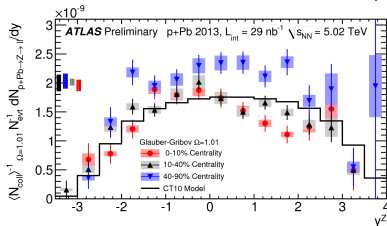
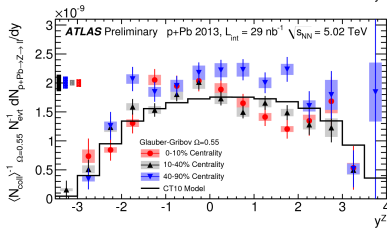


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- Significant excess at Pb going side only seen at central events. (Standard Glauber...)



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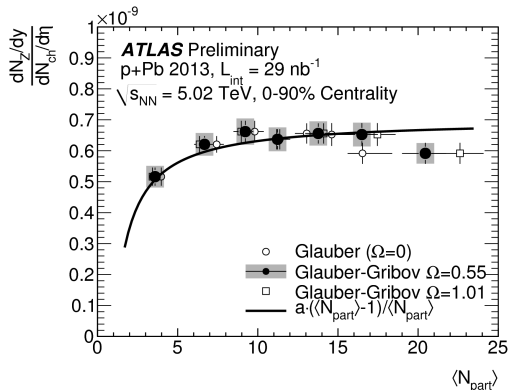
- Same data but different N_{coll} according to three geometric models
- Central events show enhancement at Pb going side, or suppression at p going side depending on geometric model.
- Similar trend as in charged particle multiplicity

Ratio: Z bosons / charged particle multiplicity

Expectation

Z bosons \propto number of binary nucleon-nucleon collisions. $\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle$

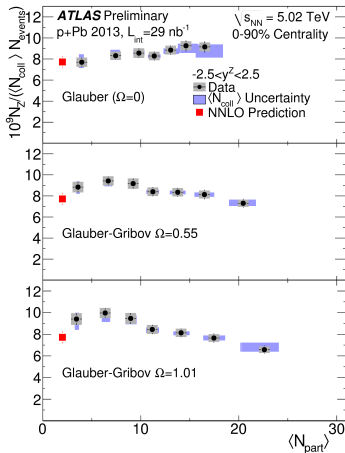
$dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta \propto$ number of participants nucleons $\langle N_{\text{part}} \rangle$



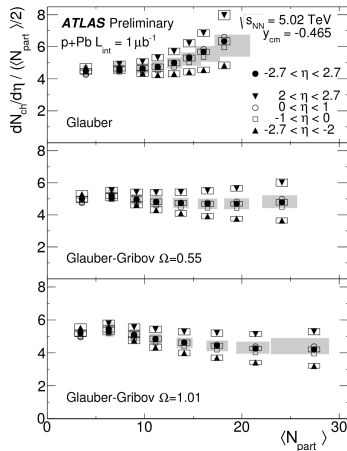
- In p+Pb collisions
 $\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle = \langle N_{\text{part}} \rangle - 1$
- Ratio (model independent)
is plotted three times.
Glauber model and two
extensions.
- Data consistent with
expectations

Geometric scaling

Z bosons



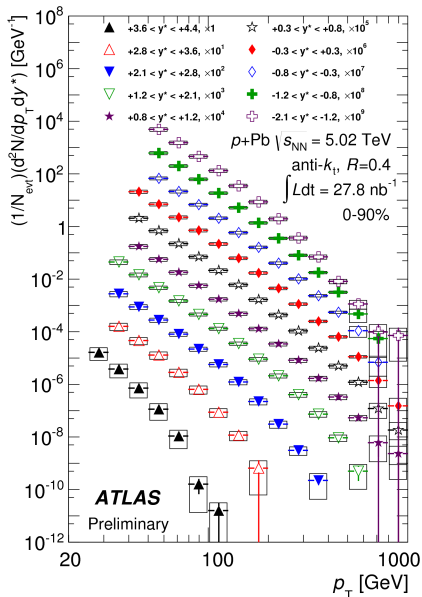
Charged Particles



Scaling behaviour quite sensitive to geometric modelling.
 Similar trends in these two different observables.

Jets in p+Pb

- anti-kt $R=0.4$ calorimeter jets.
- Underlying Event estimated and subtracted with technique designed for Pb+Pb, checked with pp
- Measured in intervals of $y^* = y - \Delta y$, p_T and centrality.



Central to Peripheral Ratio

Null Hypothesis

p+Pb collisions behave like an incoherent superposition of nucleon-nucleon collisions. That is, there is *geometric scaling*

Observable

$$R_{CP} = \frac{(1/N_{\text{evt}})dN^2/dp_T dy^*}{(1/N_{\text{evt}})dN^2/dp_T dy^*} \times R_{\text{coll}}$$

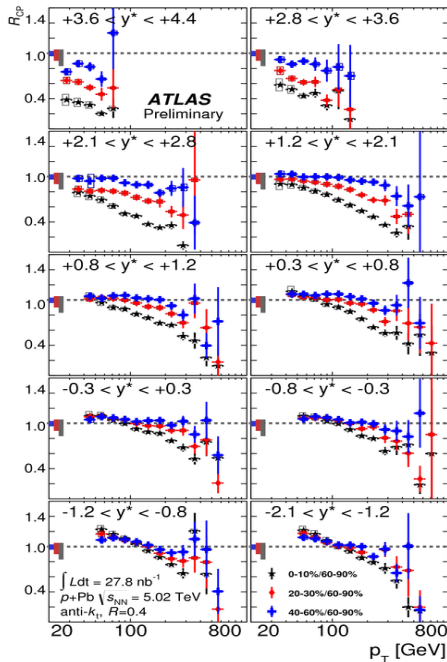
- Per-event yield in Central p+Pb collisions.
- Per-event yield in Peripheral p+Pb collisions.
- Ratio of $\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle$ at central and peripheral. Glauber model

In the absence of nuclear effects, $R_{CP} \approx 1$.

Jet R_{CP}

$y^* > 0$ is proton-going.

- Larger suppression at large p_T .
- Smooth centrality dependence.
- Suppression more pronounced at large y^* , present even at negative y^*



Nuclear modification factor

Null Hypothesis

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Observable

$$R_{\text{pPb}} = \frac{(1/N_{\text{evt}})dN^2/dp_{\text{T}}dy^*}{T_{\text{pA}} \times d\sigma^2/dp_{\text{T}}dy^*}$$

- Per-event yield in p+Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$ TeV
- Cross-section in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 2.76$ TeV x_T -scaled to $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$ TeV .
- Nuclear thickness function $\propto \langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle$, from Glauber Model.

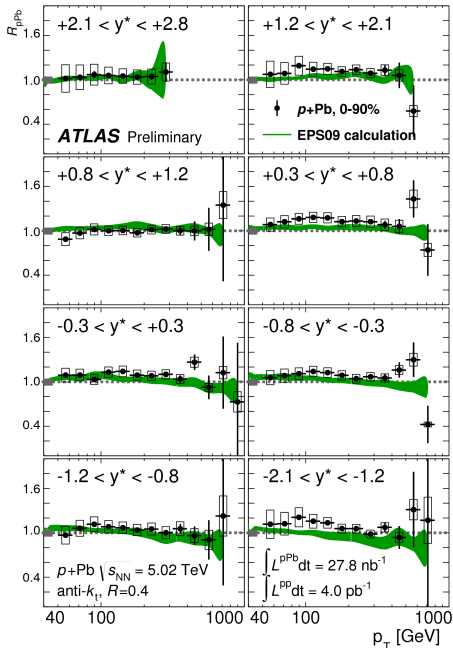
In absence of nuclear effects

$$R_{\text{pPb}} = 1$$

Jet $R_{p\text{Pb}}$ integrated in centrality.

$y^* > 0$ is proton-going.

- Includes events in 0-90% centrality.
- $\approx 5\text{--}10\%$ enhancement over geometric scaling.
- Consistent with predictions, nPDF EPS09.



Jet R_{pPb} vs centrality.

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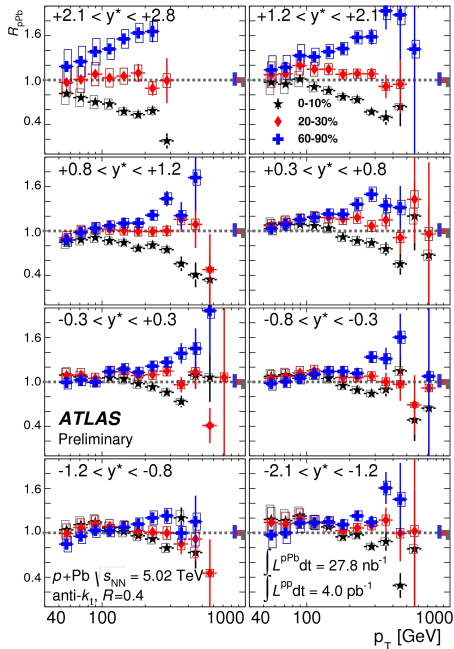
0-10% centrality.

Suppressed.

60-90% centrality

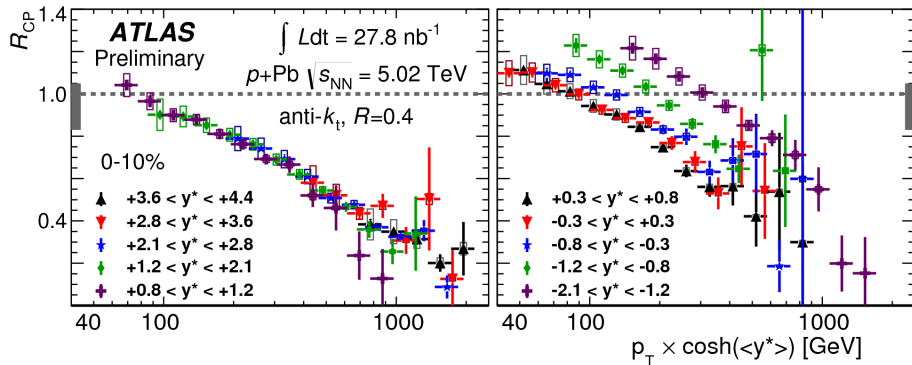
Enhanced!

- Larger modifications at large p_T and forward y^*
- Geometric scaling at low p_T and backward y^*



R_{CP} vs p

If the data is presented vs $p = p_T \cosh(y^*)$ (total jet energy)

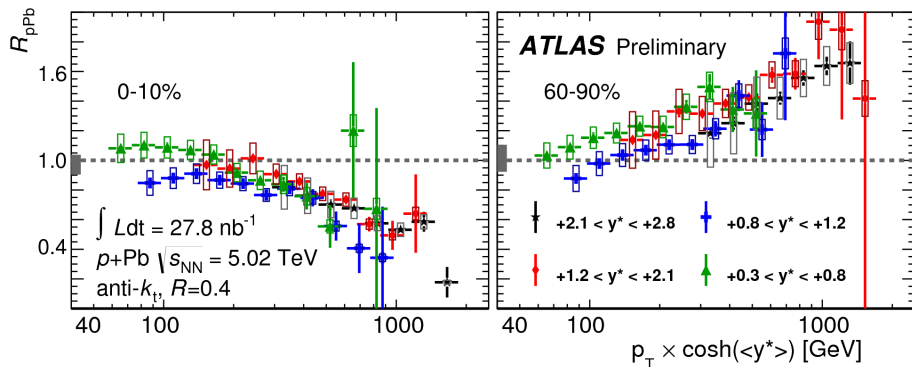


$y^* > 0$ is proton-going.

- Data at forward y^* follow same trend.
- Implications for underlying suppression mechanism?

R_{pPb} vs p in central and peripheral events.

If the data is presented vs $p = p_T \cosh(y^*)$ (total jet energy)



- Jet energy scaling less perfect, but present in both central and peripheral events.

Conclusions

- $dN/d\eta$ shows strong centrality dependent asymmetry.
 - Almost linear η dependence when scaled by peripheral (proxy to pp).
- Z rapidity cross-sections show significant asymmetry.
 - Centrality dependent.
- Scaled Z bosons and $dN/d\eta$ show similar N_{part} dependence.
 - Behaviour dependent on geometric model.
 - Show the importance of considering fluctuations in σ_{NN}
- Jet rates mildly enhanced in 0-90% centrality.
 - Consistent with nPDFs expectations
- Strong centrality dependence effects in jets yields.
 - At high p_T , **suppression for central events** and **enhancement for peripheral events**.

Stay tuned for more p+Pb results: <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/HeavyIonsPublicResults>

