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ALICE

A JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY



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ALICE overview

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Outline

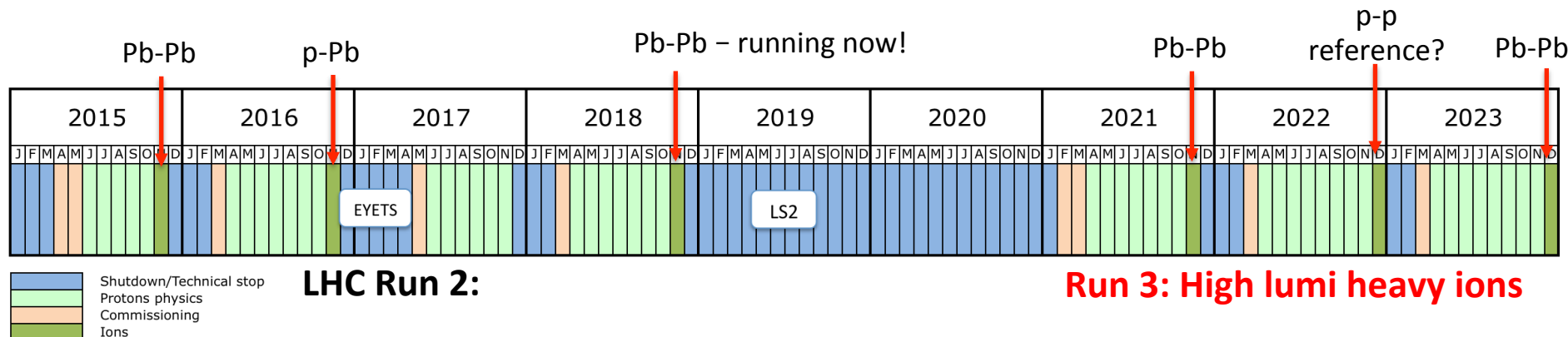
1. Enter high-luminosity era in heavy ion collisions

- particularly Finnish contribution

2. Analysis performed in Jyväskylä

- very limited view to ALICE as a whole

High-luminosity HI starts 2021



ALICE goals: [ALICE Lol: J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 41 \(2014\) 087001](#)

1. Heavy quark measurements down to low- p_T
2. Thermal electromagnetic radiation
3. Light nuclei production in heavy-ion collisions

Three common features:

- Vertexing and particle identification needed
- Low signal/background.
- Cannot be triggered

=> need large minimum bias sample

Long Shutdown 2 (LS2) 2019 – 2020

Major upgrade in ALICE:

- New TPC Readout Chambers
- New Inner tracker
- New Muon Forward Tracker
- New Fast Interaction Trigger –detector (FIT)
- Online-Offline computing system, “O²”



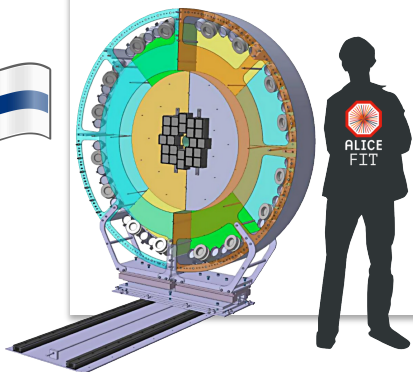
ALICE strategy in high-luminosity running:

When dedicated trigger is not possible:

- Speed up detectors and reduce data size, continuous readout
- Take heavy ion data with 50 kHz interaction rate
 - => write all Pb+Pb at this high rate
 - => 100 times larger MB data sample as compared to Run 1 & 2

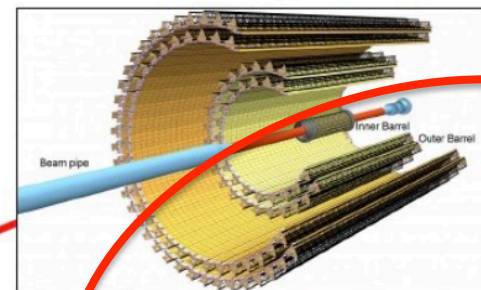
$10/nb \sim 100$ billion events + $3/nb$ low B-field (dielectron)

ALICE upgrade



New Fast Interaction Trigger (FIT)
Project leading and conceptual design
from Finland. 24% (364 kCHF) core.

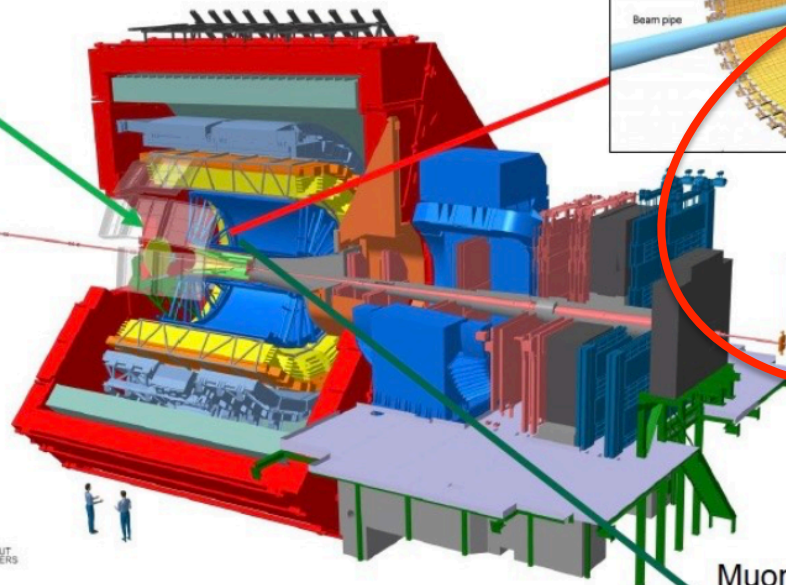
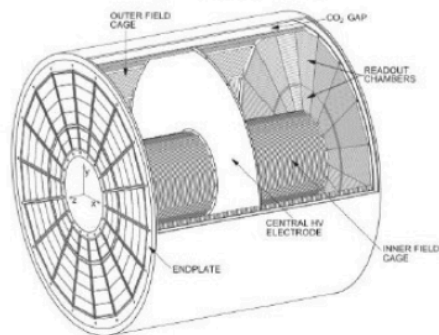
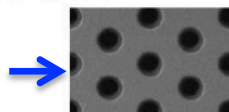
New Inner Tracking System (ITS)



TPC with GEM
based readout

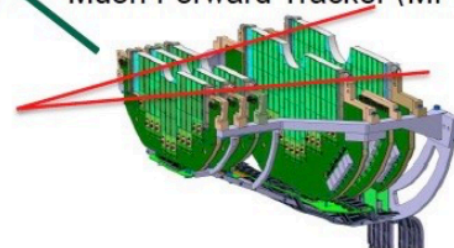


QA of the
GEM foils



Both based on Monolithic
Active Pixel Sensors
(MAPS)

Muon Forward Tracker (MFT)



+ improved readout for TOF, ZDC,
TRD, MUON ARM
+ new Central Trigger Processor
+ new DAQ/Offline architecture

Finland:

- provides 364 kCHF (approx 24%) core contribution to FIT
- more details: see Maciej's talk!

Main branches and personnel

1. Collective flow

2. Medium modifications of jets

- using two particle correlations or reconstructed jet

3. FIT

- design, construct, software, running, expert shifts, ...



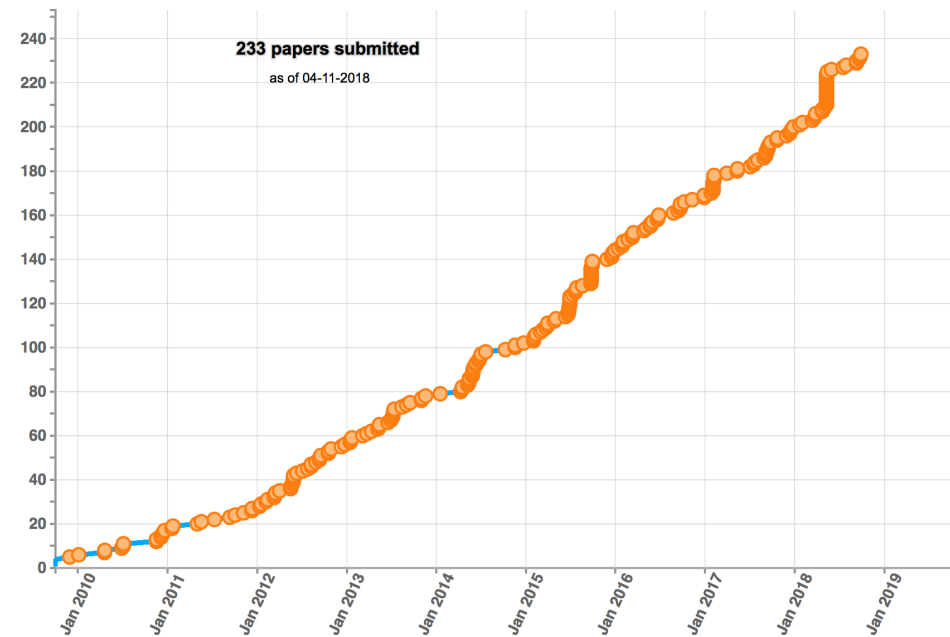
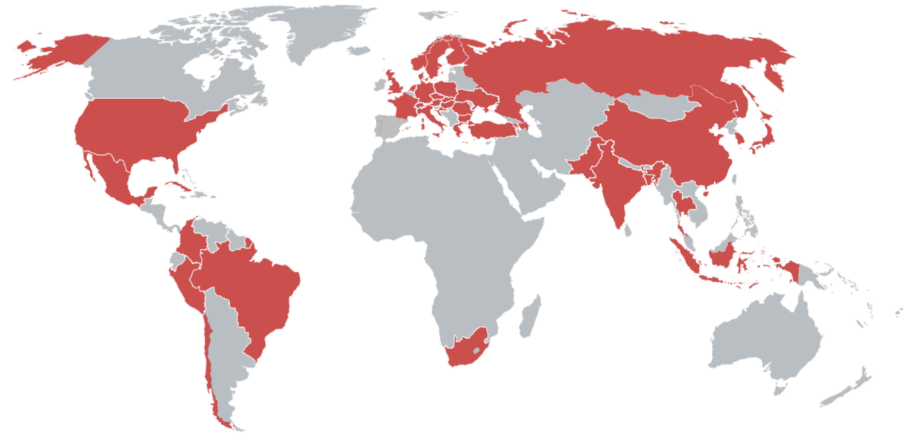
All-male panel broken!

ALICE Collaboration

ALICE:

- 41 countries, 177 institutes, 1800 members
- 233 papers since 2010, i.e. order of 30 per year

What do we do here in Jyväskylä?



Flow:

TODAY

Non-linear decomposition and acoustic scaling

Jasper Parkkila (defense goal 2021)

Jets and two-particle correlations:

Jet shape modification in Pb+Pb collisions using two-particle correlations

Márton Vargyas (defense 30.11.2018)

Jet fragmentation transverse momentum in p+Pb using two-particle correlations

Jussi Viinikainen (defense 15.12.2017)

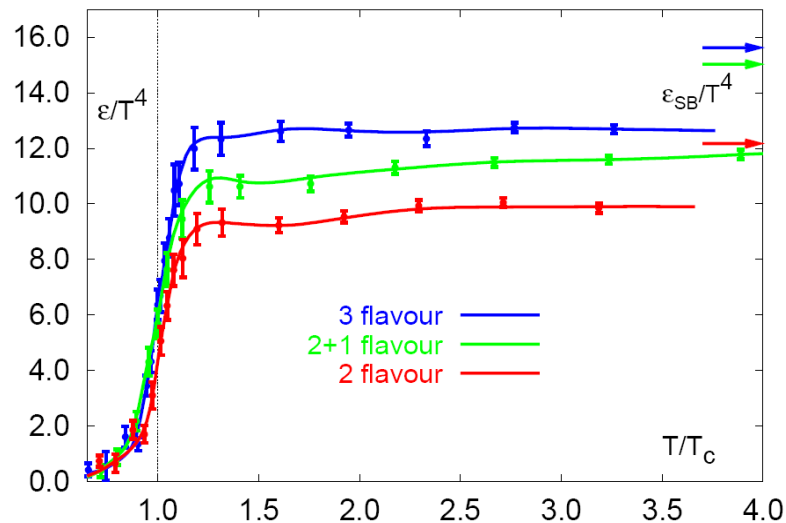
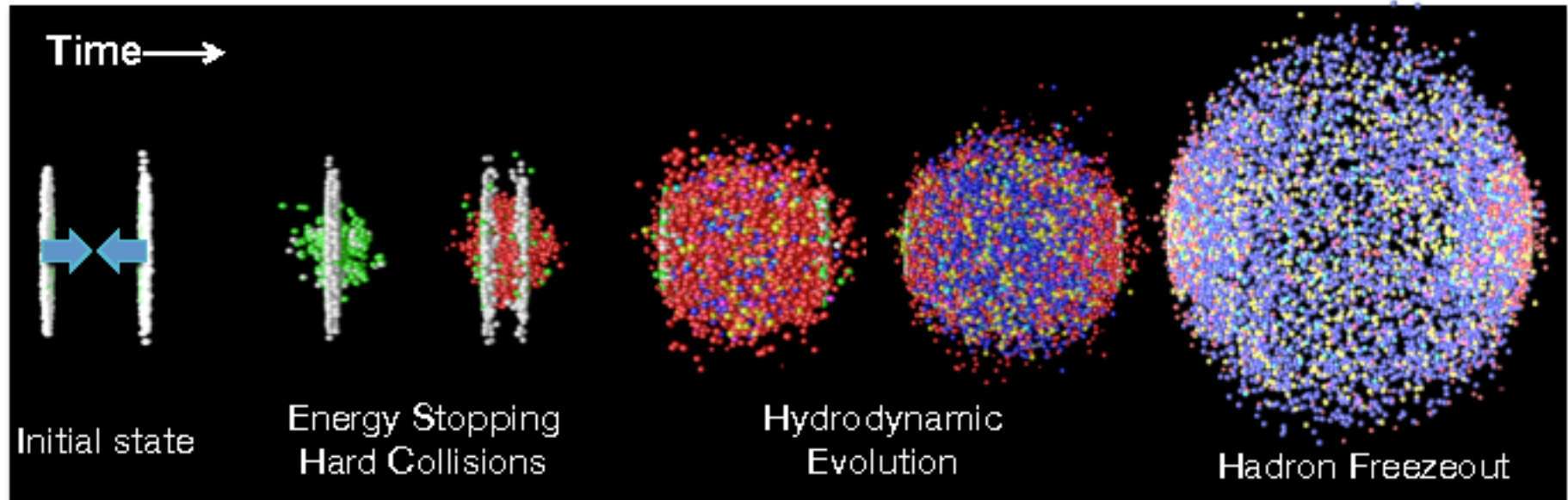
Jet fragmentation transverse momentum in p+Pb using reconstructed jets

Tomas Snellman (defense expected summer 2019)

Di-jet mass modifications in Pb+Pb collisions

Oskari Saarimäki (defense goal 2022) – **NEW**

Heavy ion collisions



Bjorken estimate for energy density after primary interactions in LHC:

$$\mathcal{E}_{Bjorken} \sim \frac{\langle m_T \rangle}{\pi R_A^2 \tau_0} \frac{dN}{dy} = \frac{1}{A \tau_0} \frac{dE^{\text{measured}}}{dy}$$

$$\sim 16 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$$

Critical energy density $\epsilon_c \sim 1 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$

Transport properties

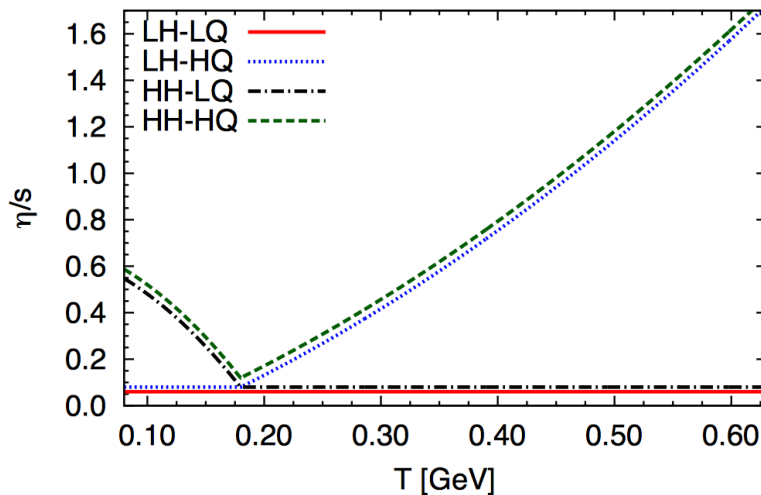
QGP established experimentally \Rightarrow properties, precision measurements

Lower bound of fluidity, shear viscosity to entropy ratio, in nature

- uncertainty relation [Phys.Rev. D31 \(1985\) 53](#)
- string theory techniques [Phys. Rev. Lett. 94 \(2005\) 111601](#)

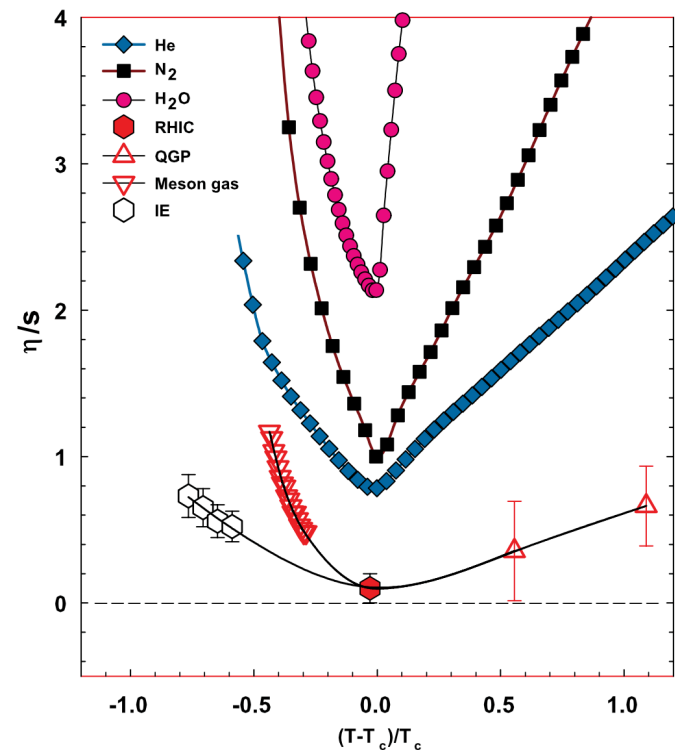
$$\frac{\eta}{s} \geq \frac{1}{4\pi} \approx 0.08$$

Temperature dependence?



[Phys.Rev.Lett. 97 \(2006\) 152303](#)

[Phys.Rev.Lett. 106 \(2011\) 212302](#)



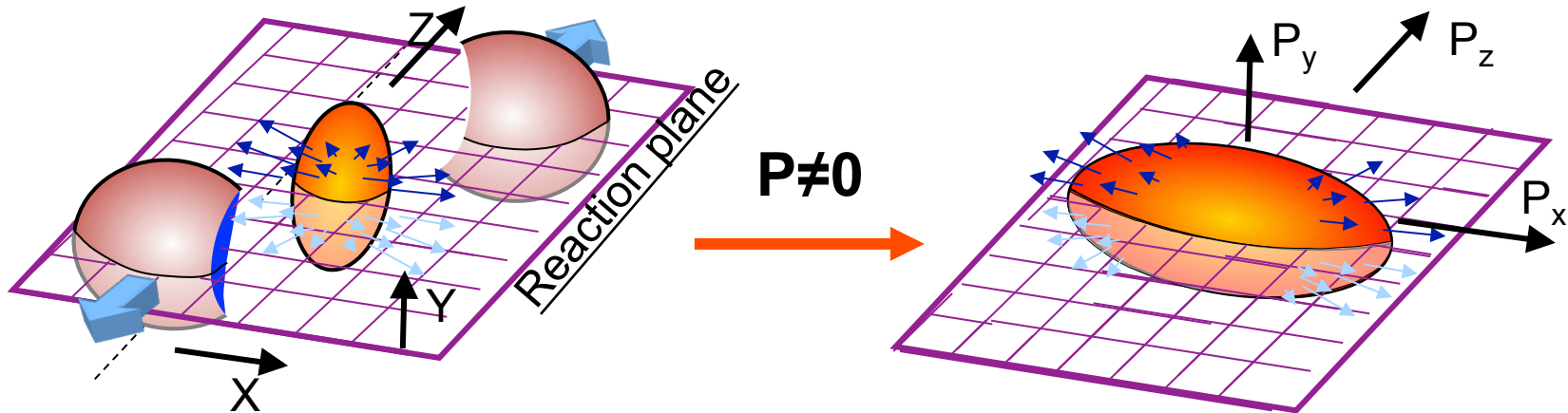
[Phys.Rev.Lett. 98 \(2007\) 092301](#)

Effect of viscosity

How to observe viscosity in heavy ion collisions?



Anisotropic flow



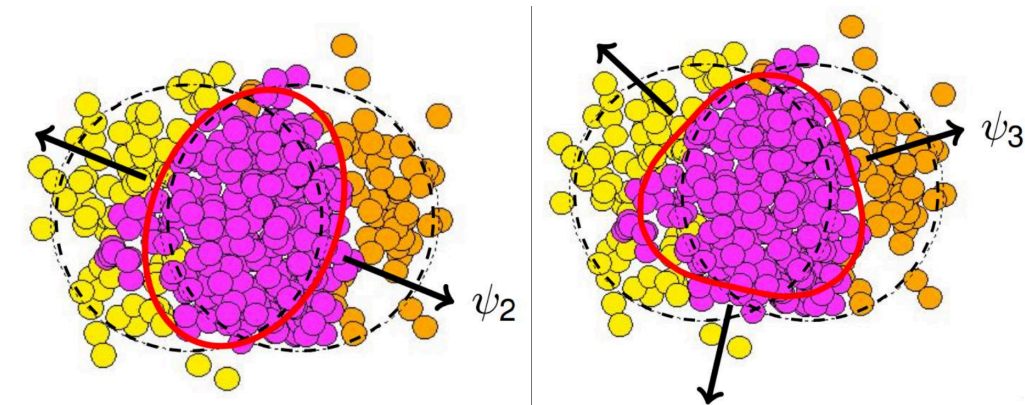
Collectivity: initial geometrical asymmetry turns asymmetric particle spectra

Fourier expansion in azimuth:

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} \propto 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \cos[n(\phi - \psi_n)]$$

“Flow coefficients”:

elliptic flow v_2 , triangular flow v_3 , ...



Elliptic flow \Leftrightarrow geometry

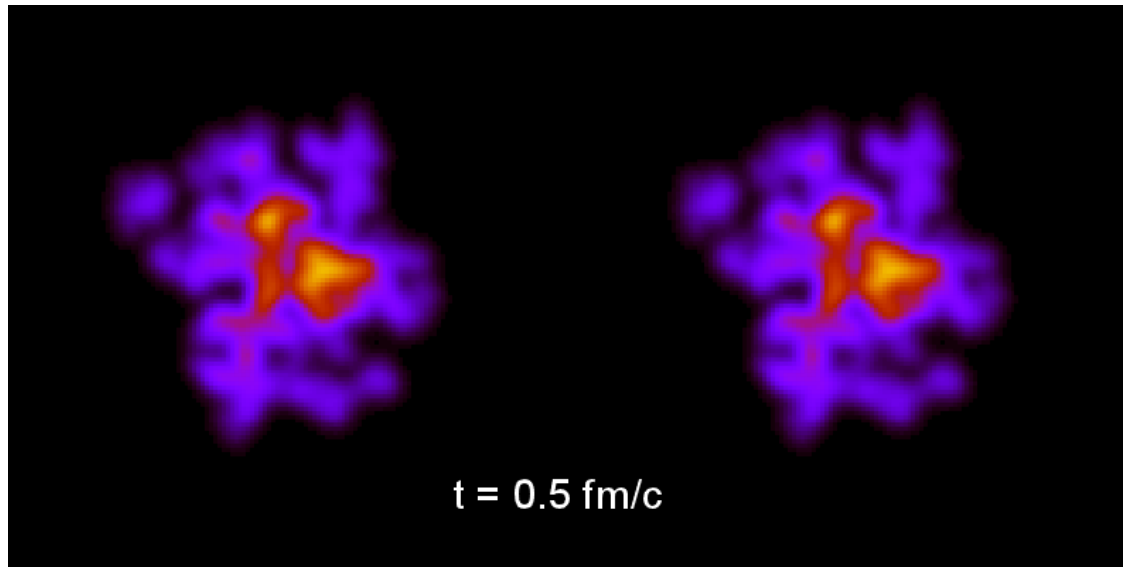
Triangular flow \Leftrightarrow fluctuations

FIT: Collision centrality!

Effect of viscosity

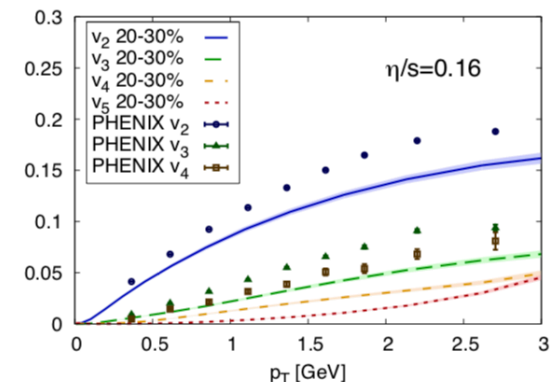
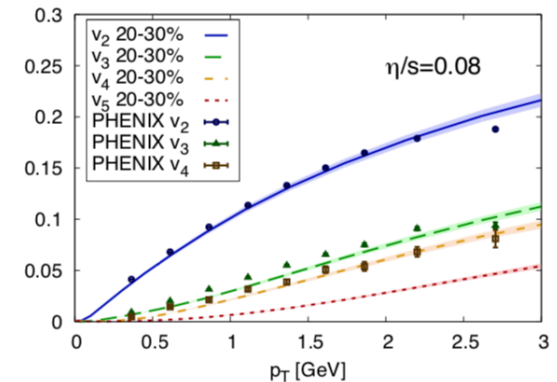
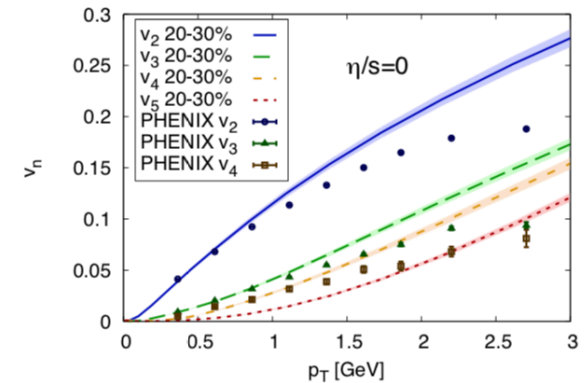
Simulation: Bjoern Schenke
results: Phys. Rev. C85 (2012) 024901

Viscosity damps finer structures in evolution
=> particularly higher flow harmonics v_n suppress



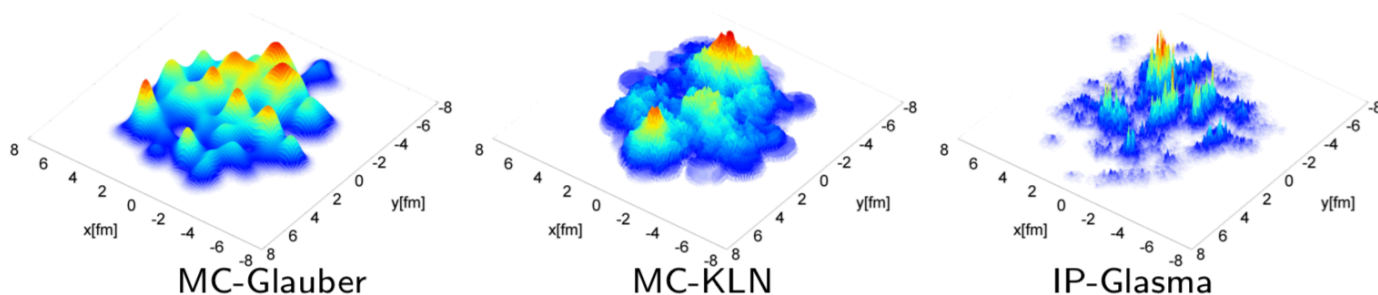
$\eta/s = 0$

$\eta/s > 0$

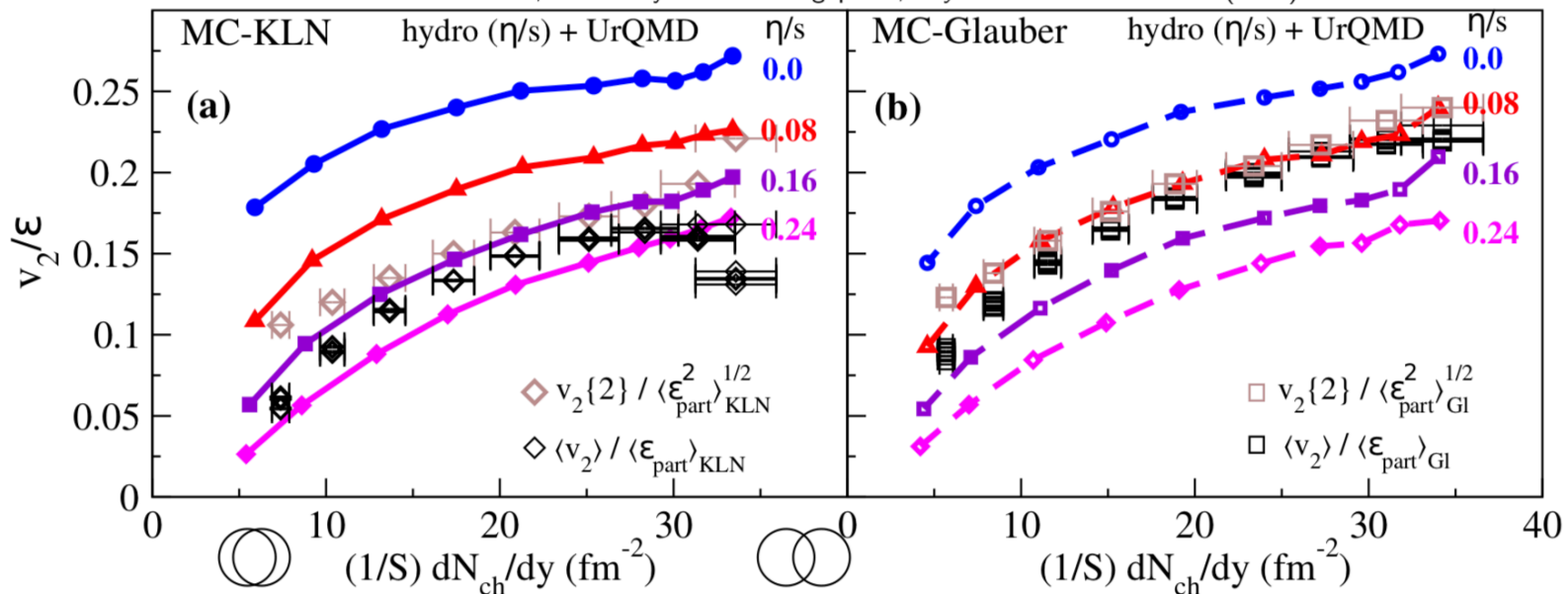


Initial state vs. evolution

Complication: different initial states favour different values of η/s
=> need more sensitive observables



B. Schenke, P. Tribedy and R. Venugopalan, *Phys.Rev.Lett.* **108** 252301 (2012)

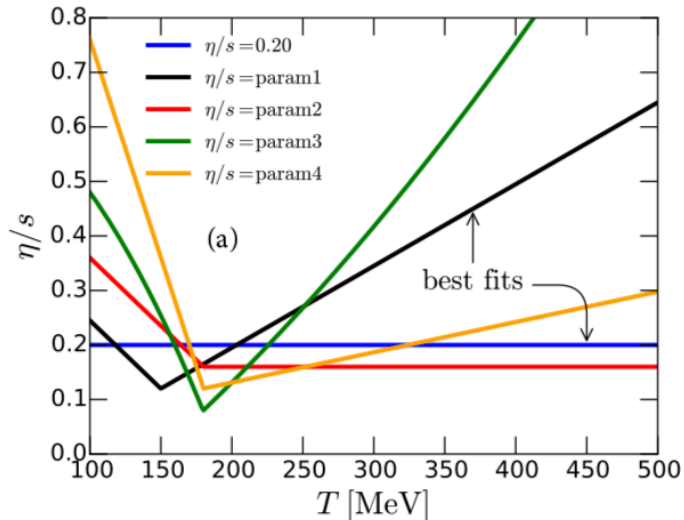


Symmetric cumulants

Correlations among flow harmonics

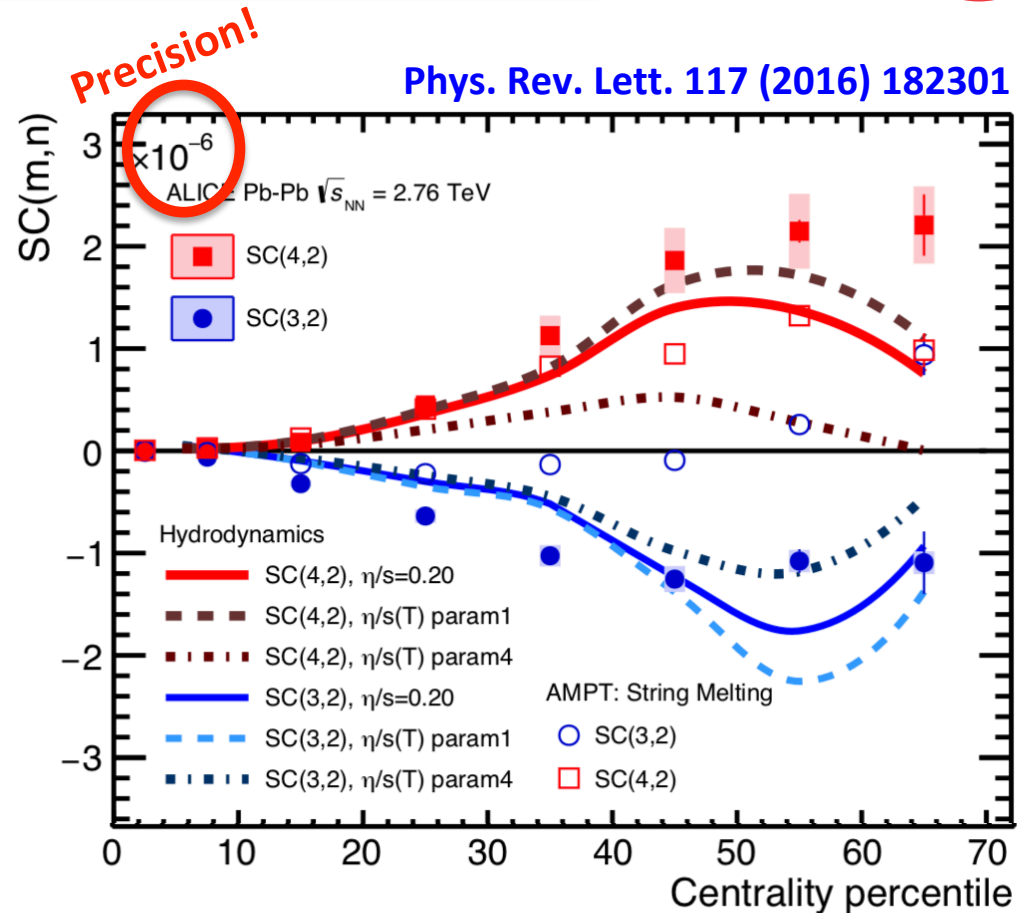
$$SC(m, n) \equiv \langle v_m v_n \rangle - \langle v_m \rangle \langle v_n \rangle$$

In hydrodynamical simulations:



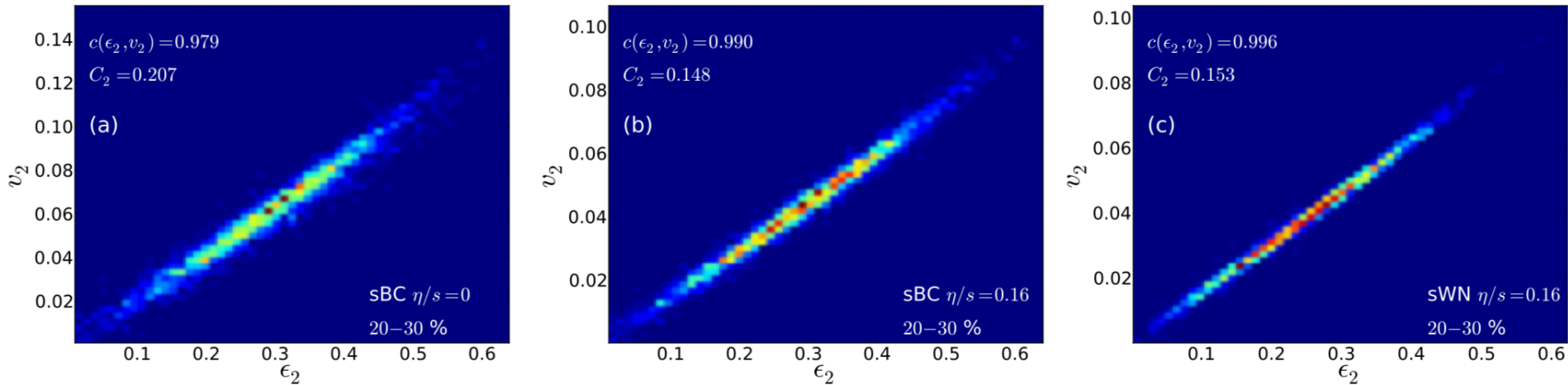
Phys. Rev. C93 (2016) no. 2, 024907

First time sensitivity to the temperature dependence of η/s !



Non-linear decomposition

Hydrodynamics: [Phys. Rev. C87 \(2013\) no. 5, 054901](#)



Response of initial state eccentricity to flow is fairly linear for v_2 and v_3 .
Non-linearity grows when moving to higher flow harmonics v_n , $n > 3$.

Decompose flow vector $V_n = v_n e^{in\psi_n}$ into linear (nL) and non-linear contributions:

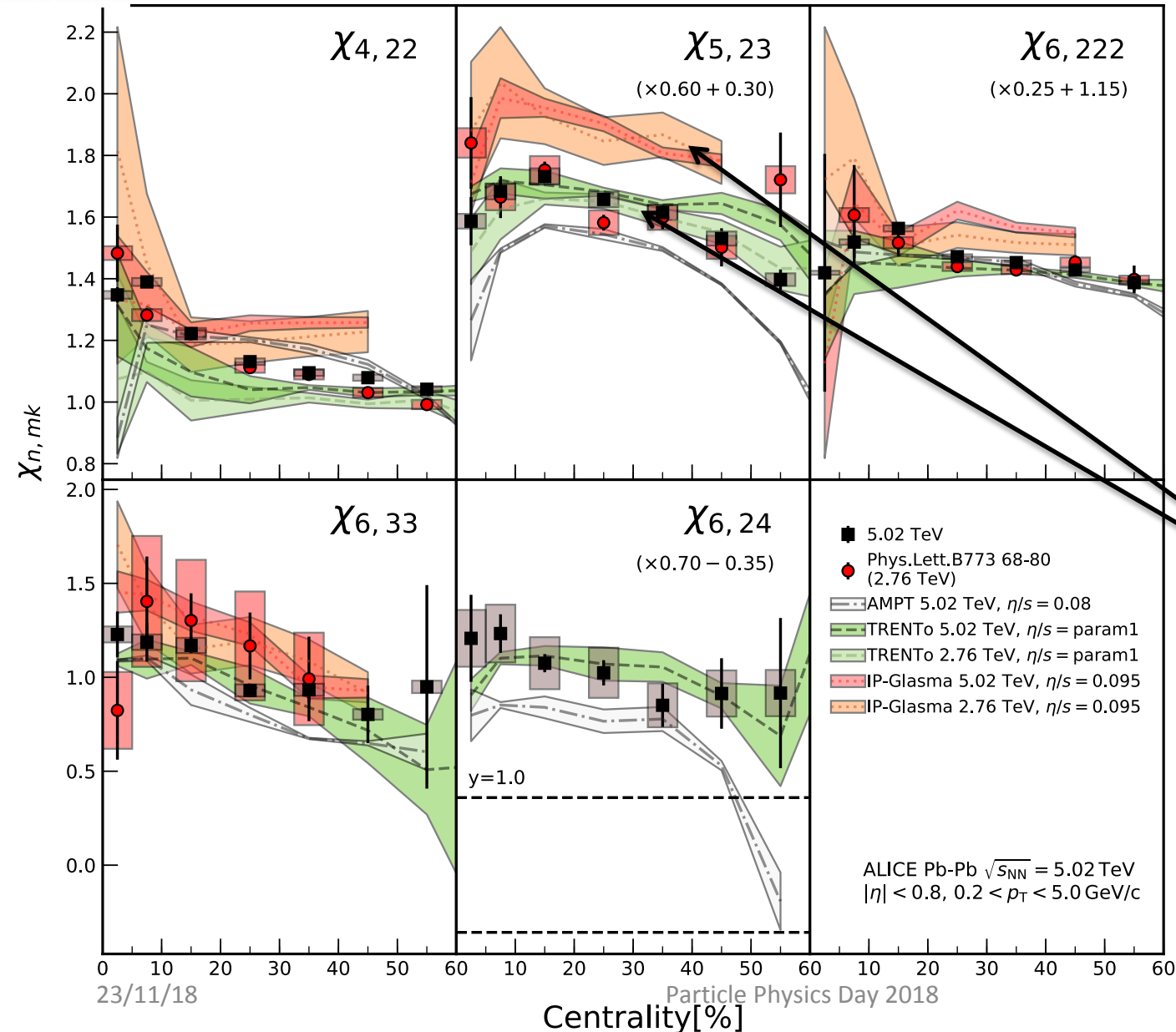
$$V_4 = V_{4L} + \chi_{4,22} V_2^2$$

[Phys. Lett. B773 \(2017\) 68](#)

$$V_5 = V_{5L} + \chi_{5,32} V_2 V_3$$

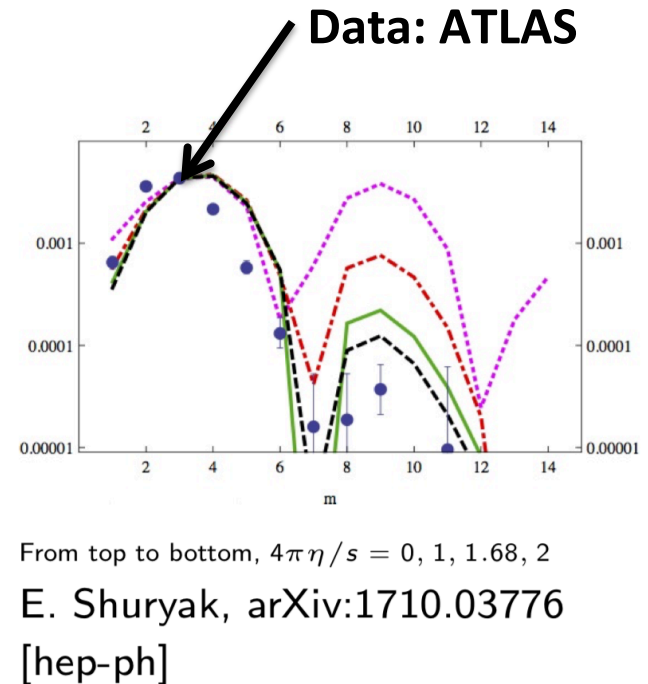
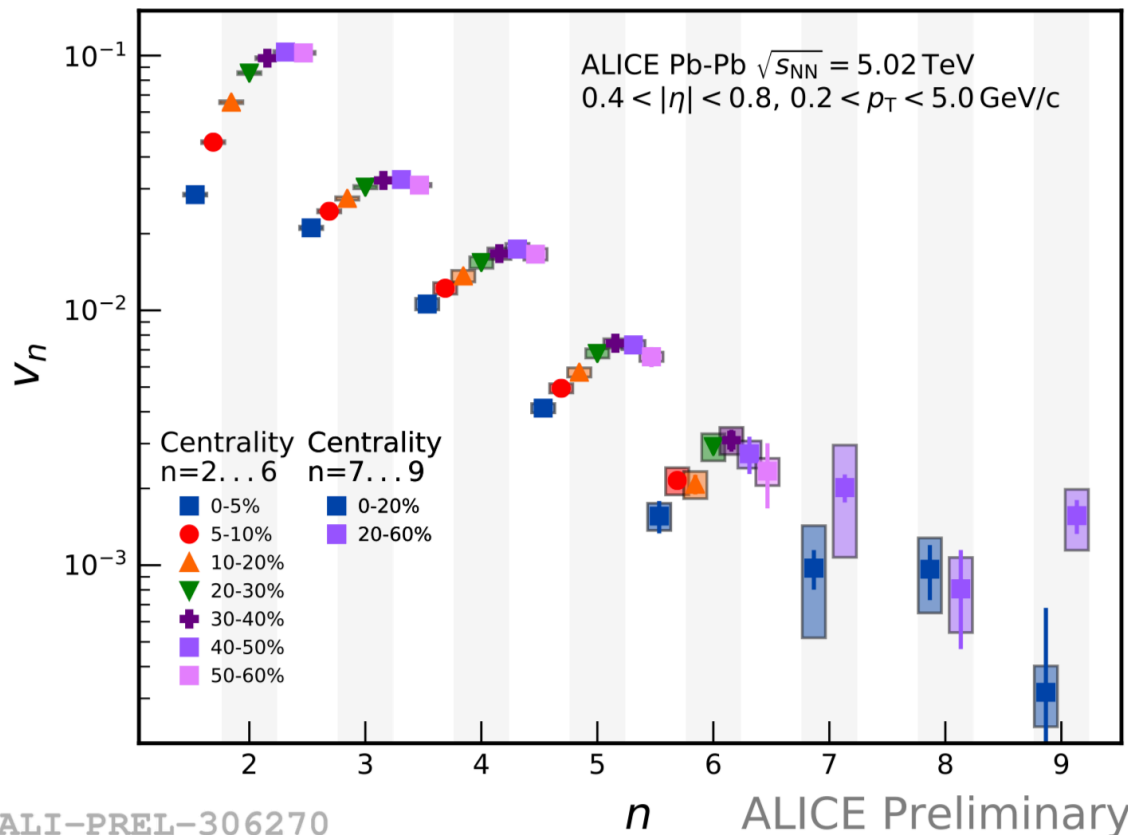
$$V_6 = V_{6L} + \chi_{6,222} V_2^3 + \chi_{6,33} V_3^2 + \chi_{6,24} V_2 V_{4L}$$

Non-linear decomposition



Sensitivity to
initial state

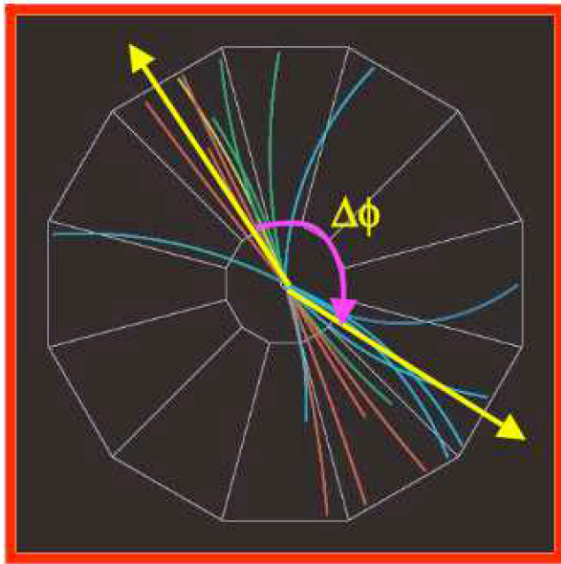
Acoustic peak



Theoretical model: $v_9 > v_8$ because initial state perturbations

Very statistics hungry analysis.

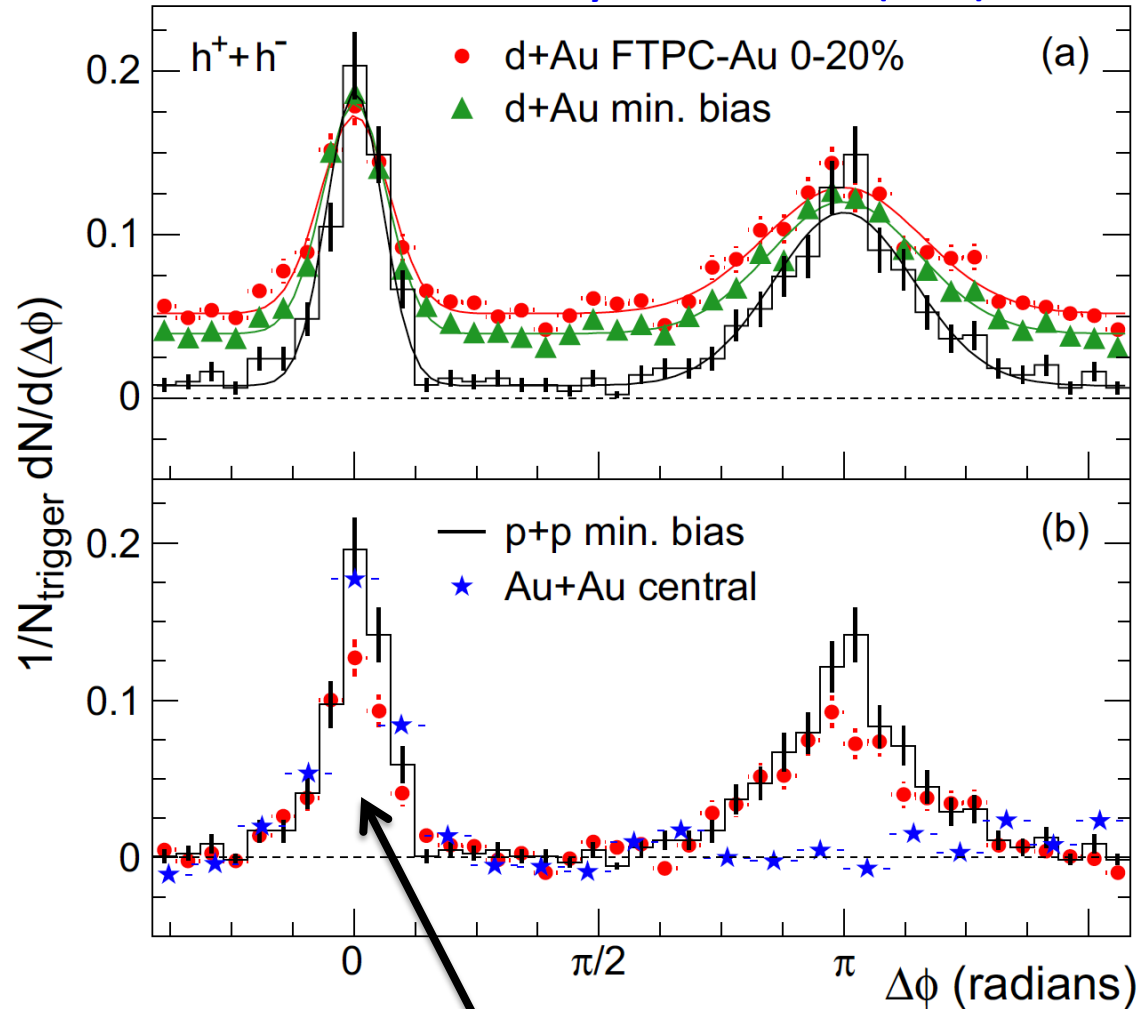
Modification of jets in Pb+Pb



Classic observation by STAR:
Away side jet associated yield
is suppressed.

Next: study trigger jet at LHC

Phys. Rev. Lett. 91 (2003) 072304



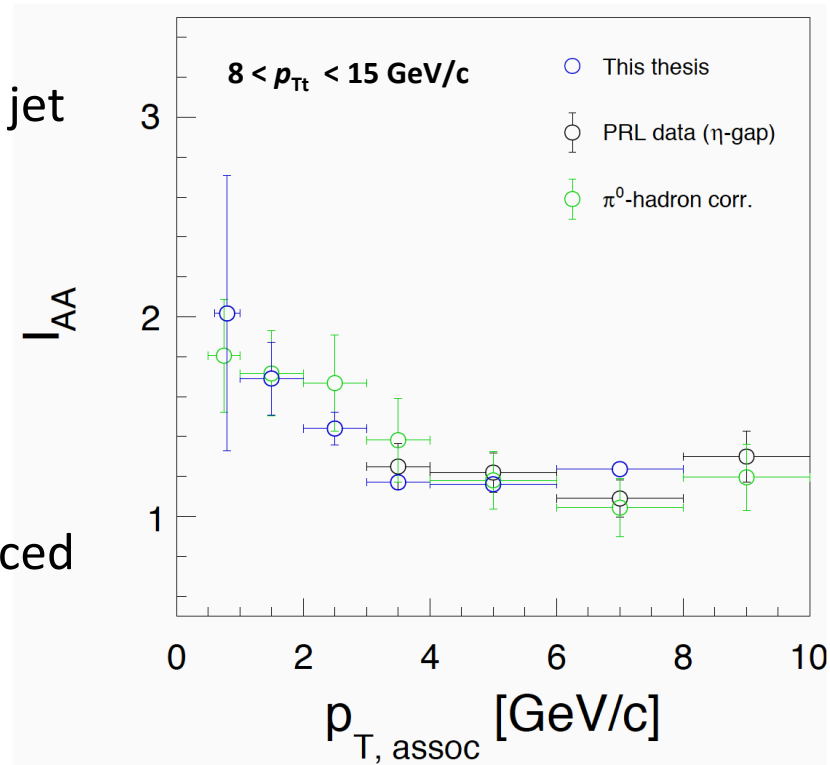
Modification of yield in jet

Medium modification of yield associated with jet

$$I_{AA} = \frac{(\text{per trigger yield in PbPb})}{(\text{per trigger yield in pp})}$$

Physical implication:

Rise at low-pT gives evidence to medium induced radiation.



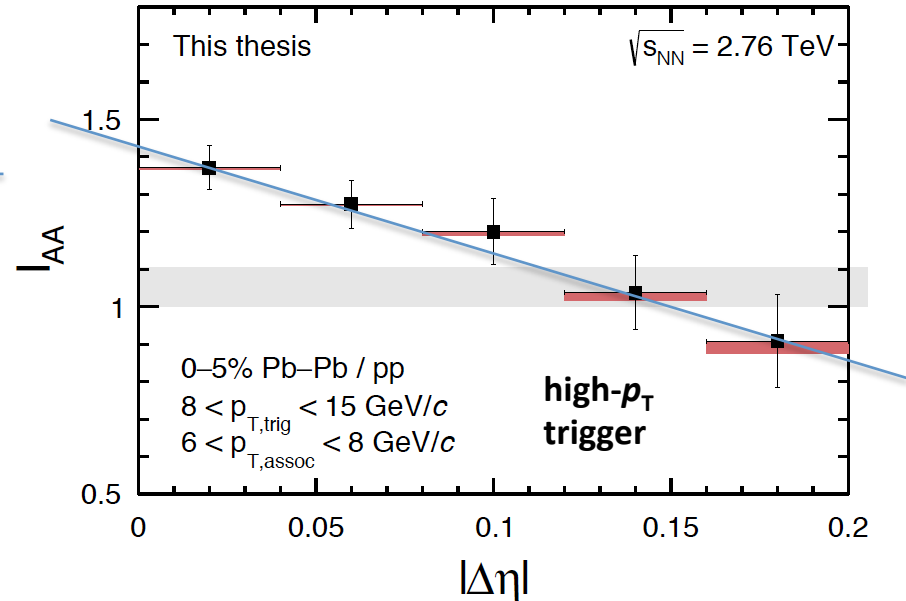
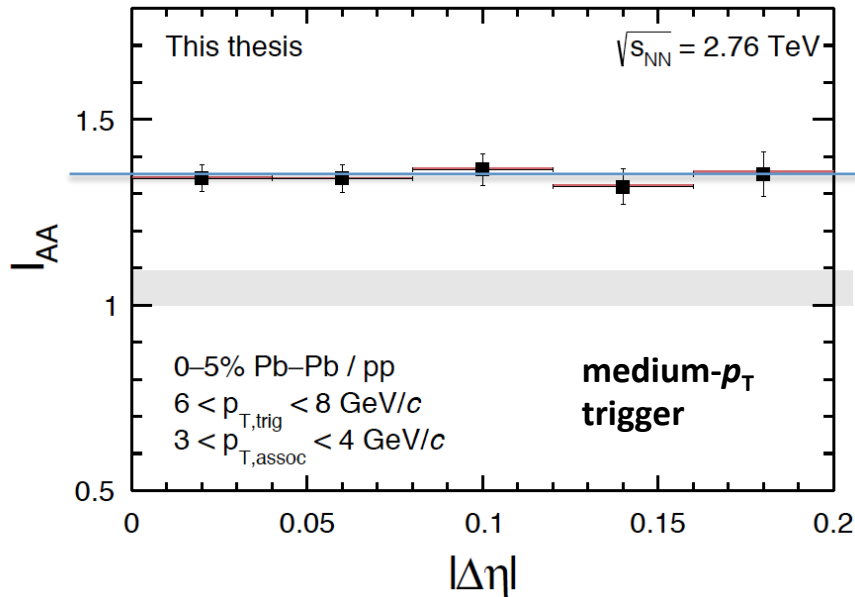
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Phys. Lett. B763 (2016) 238

Marton Vargyas, PhD-thesis

Jet narrowing in HI collisions

Márton Vargyas, PhD-thesis



Study the I_{AA} as a function of $\Delta\eta \Leftrightarrow$ modification of jet shape in PbPb

Observation: dropping trend with high- p_T trigger and associated
 \Rightarrow hard jets are narrower in PbPb as compared to pp

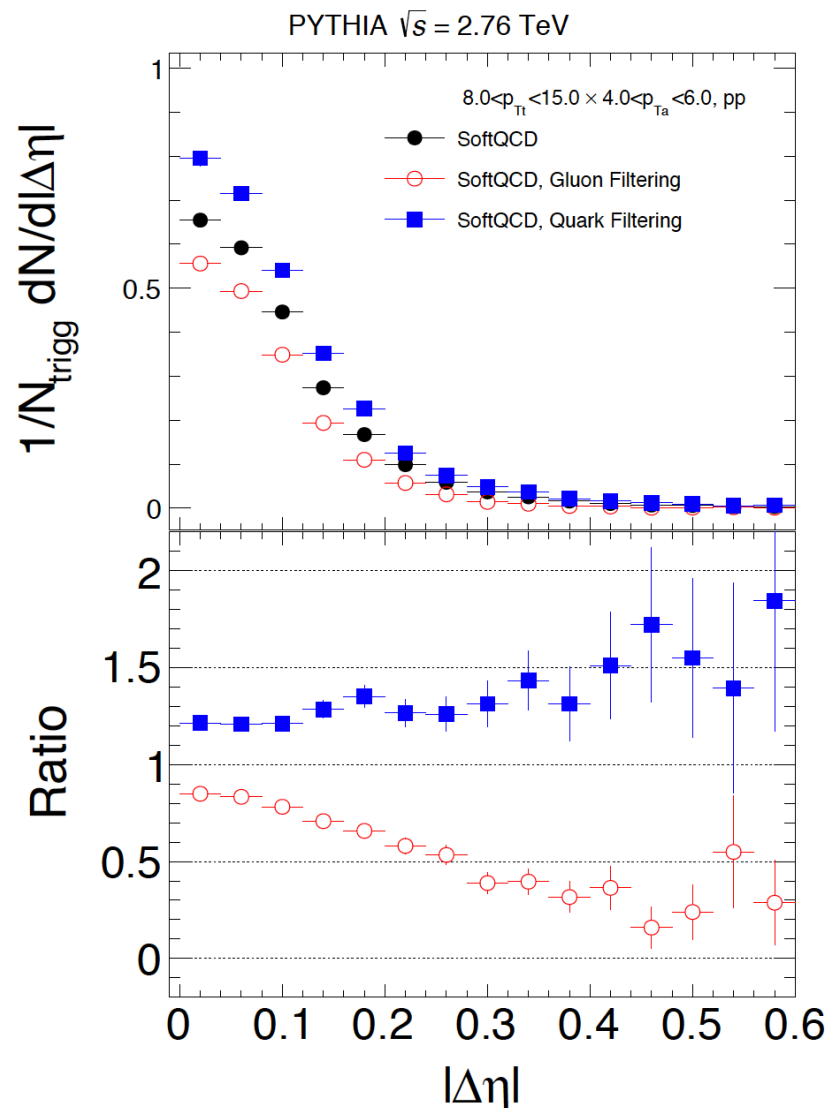
Interpretation: "gluon filtering"?

Simple PYTHIA study:

- Form $\Delta\eta$ -correlation function for quark and gluon initiated jets separately
- Make " I_{AA} " such that "quark" or "gluon" is divided by "all"
- Observe: narrowing (broadening), when gluons (quarks) are filtered out. (Quark jets known to be narrower.)
- Qualitatively similar behaviour

Enrichment of quark jets in PbPb?

Similar conclusion with jet reconstruction [JHEP 1810 \(2018\) 139](#)



Conclusions

- Long Shutdown 2 is very important upgrade to ALICE
- Run 3, starting 2021, provides high-luminosity in PbPb
- Large statistics at the LHC has enabled flow measurements with unprecedented accuracy
- Jyväskylä:
 - project leadership in Fast Interaction Trigger –detector
 - flow analysis
 - jets using both two-particle correlations and jet reconstruction

Backup

Lower bound of viscosity

Kinetic theory:

Danielewicz, Gyulassy, Phys.Rev. D31 (1985) 53
W. A. Zajc, talk in “Strings to Things” workshop, 2008

$$\eta \approx \frac{1}{3} n \langle p \rangle \lambda$$

Smallest meaningful mean free path from formation time

$$\lambda \geq \frac{1}{\langle p \rangle}$$

For relativistic bose-gas:

$$s = \frac{\varepsilon + P}{T} \sim \frac{4}{3} \frac{\varepsilon}{T} \sim \frac{4}{3} \frac{\pi^2}{30} \frac{\pi^2}{\zeta(3)} \left[g_B \frac{\zeta(3)}{\pi^2} T^3 \right] \sim 3.6 n$$

Together gives a lower bound for viscosity to entropy ratio

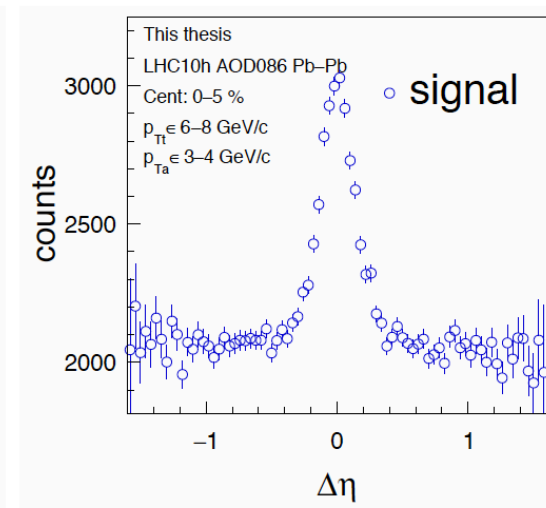
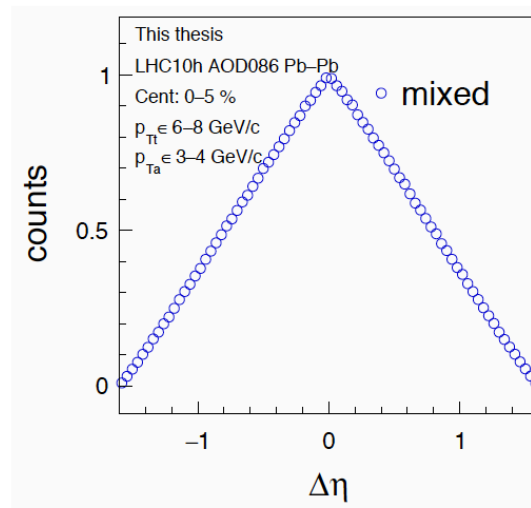
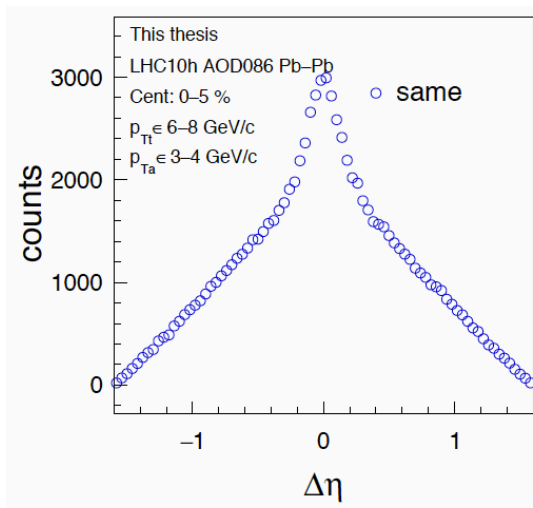
$$\eta \geq \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{s}{3.6} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\eta}{s} \geq 0.1 \approx 0.08 \approx \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

Note: not too strict constraints on underlying microscopic theory!

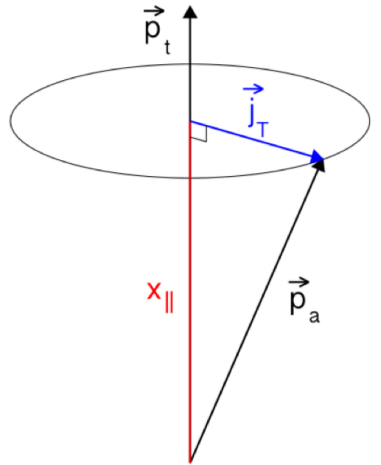
Jet associated yield

Treat finite acceptance with mixed event technique.
Fit generalized gaussian + constant to extract yield and describe combinatorial background.

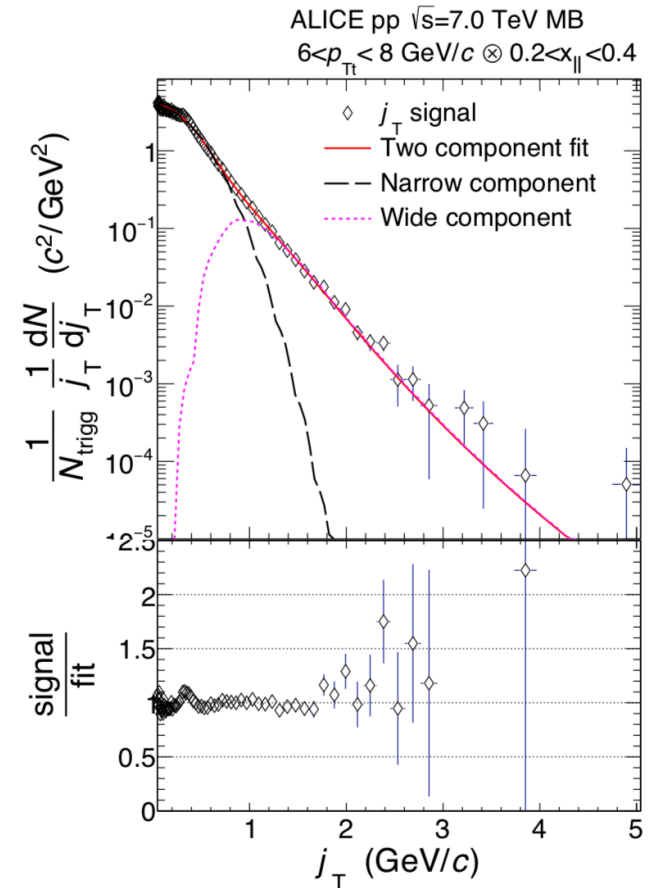
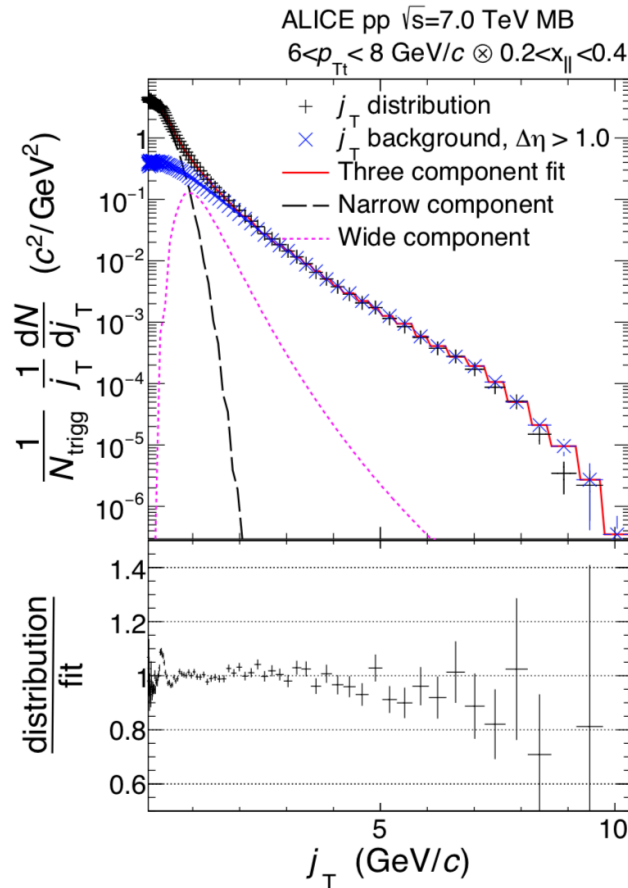
$$Y(\Delta\eta) = C_{\text{single}}(p_{T\text{a}}) \frac{1}{N_{\text{trigg}}} \frac{dN_{\text{same}}/d\Delta\eta}{B \times dN_{\text{mixed}}/d\Delta\eta} = C_{\text{single}}(p_{T\text{a}}) \frac{1}{N_{\text{trigg}}} \frac{dN}{d\Delta\eta}. \quad (28)$$



Jet transverse fragmentation momentum j_T in pPb – di-hadrons



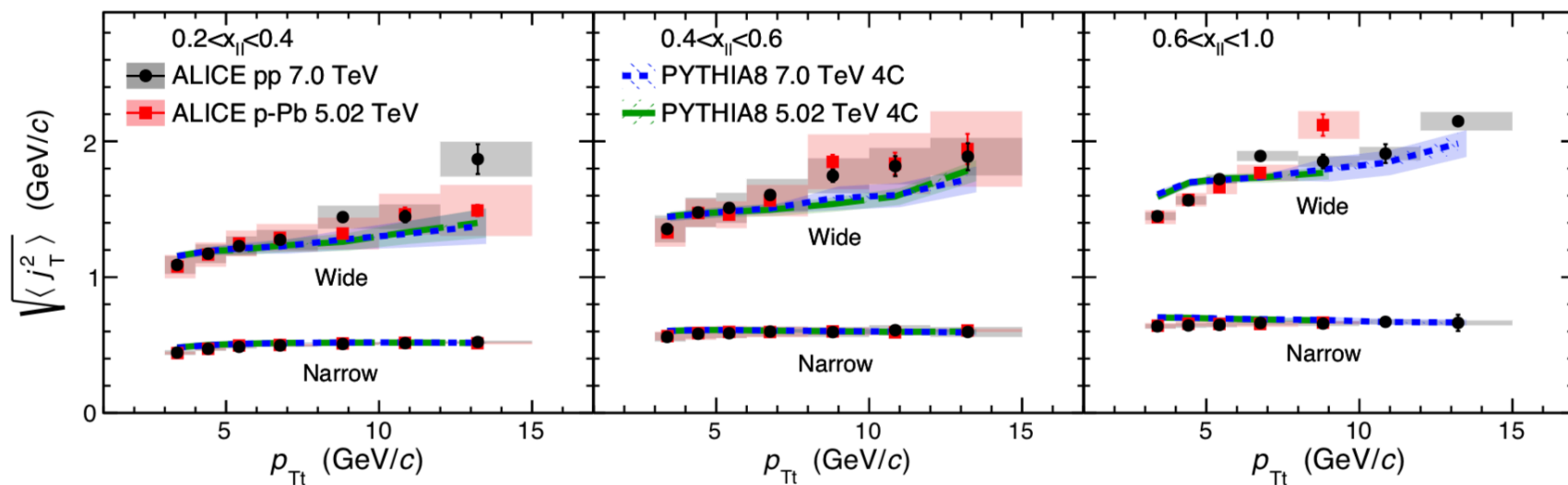
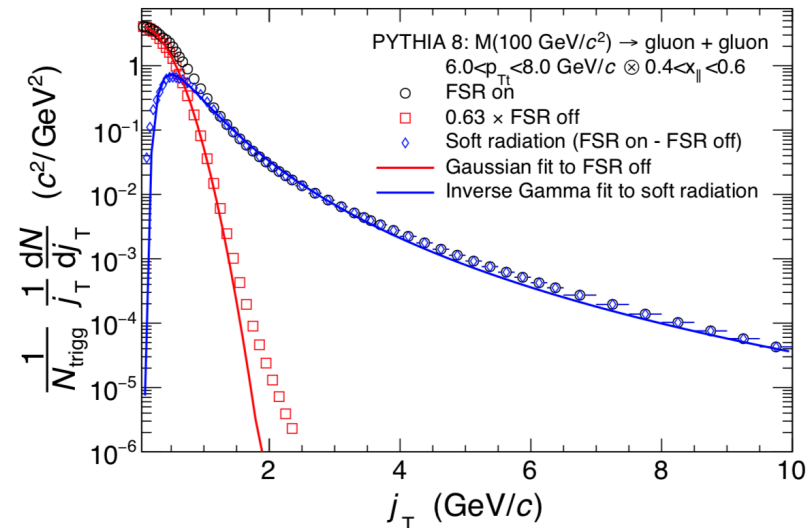
$$j_T = \frac{|\vec{p}_{T,\text{trigg}} \times \vec{p}_{T,\text{assoc}}|}{|\vec{p}_{T,\text{trigg}}|}$$



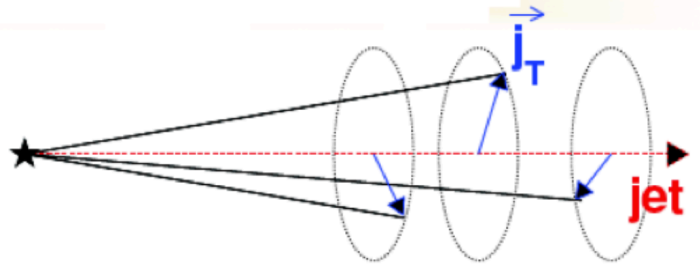
Clear narrow and wide components observed in j_T signal

Jet transverse fragmentation momentum j_T in pPb – di-hadrons

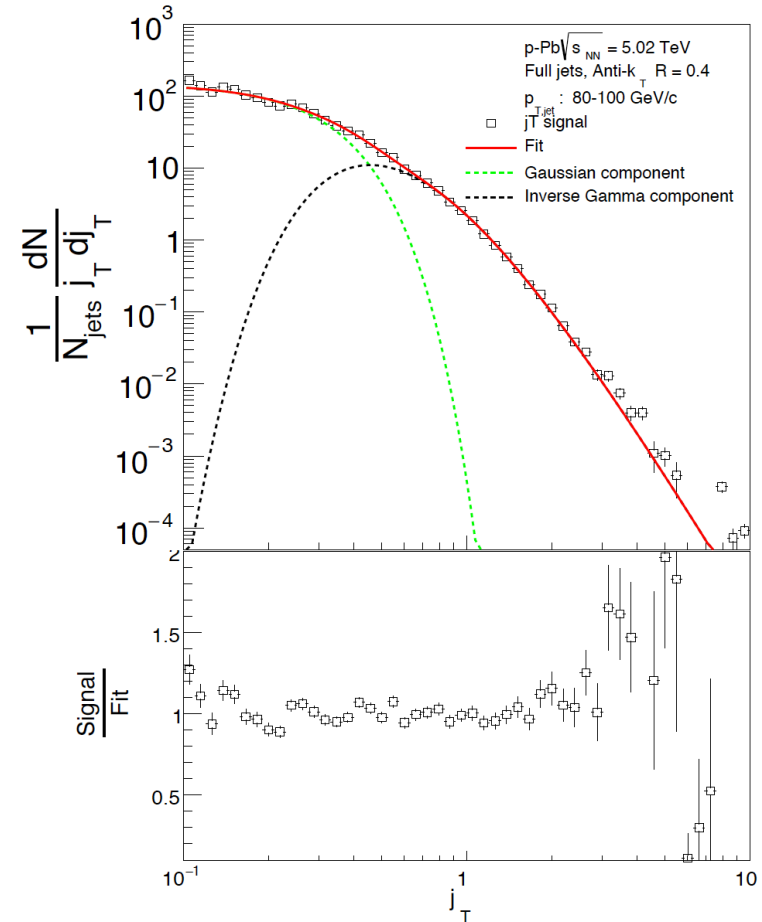
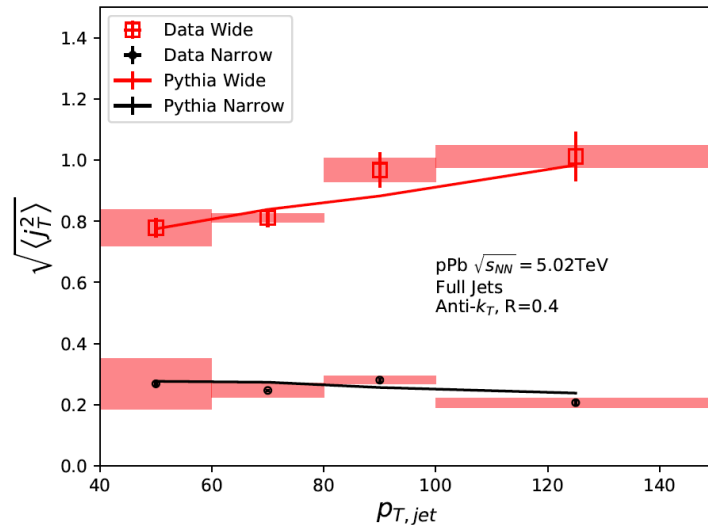
- clear wide & narrow components
- PYTHIA based interpretation:
 - wide: soft QCD shower
 - narrow: non-perturbative hadronization



Jet transverse fragmentation momentum j_T in pPb – reconstructed jets

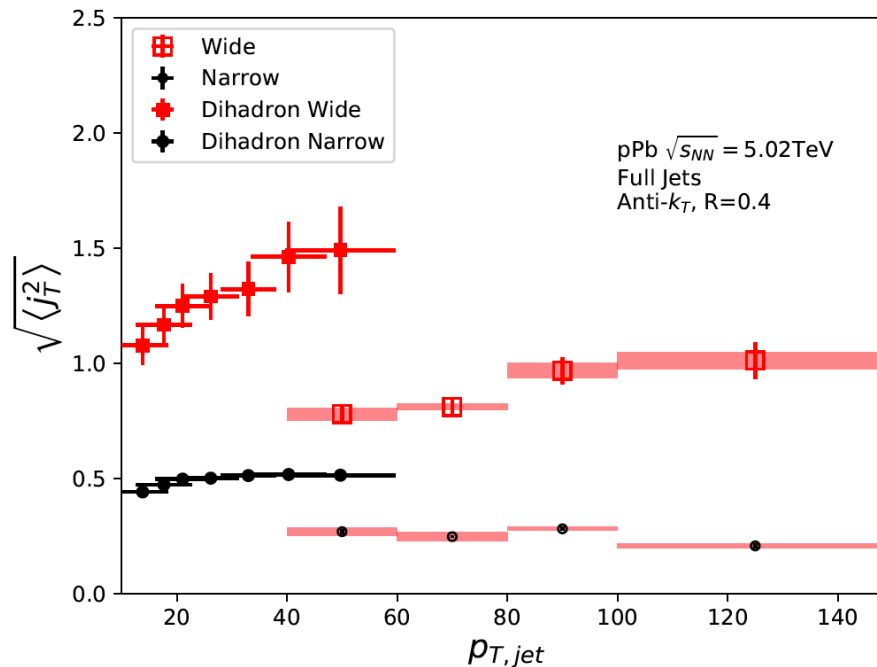


$$j_T = \frac{|\vec{p}_{T,jet} \times \vec{p}_{T,track}|}{|\vec{p}_{T,jet}|}$$



The same observation using reconstructed jets

Compare di-hadron and jet j_T :



Jet results smaller, because:

- Jets have finite “radius” $\Rightarrow j_{T,max} \sim R p_{T,const}$
- Direction of the leading hadron deviates from jet axis
- Jet algorithm finds compact objects by definition

"Gluon filtering"

ALICE study with reconstructed jets: [JHEP 1810 \(2018\) 139](#)

Study jet angularity and p_T -dispersion in pp and in PbPb.

Data shows:

In PbPb, angularity distribution is more narrow but pTD-broder.

PYTHIA:

Kinematical collimation:

↔ both angularity and pTD narrower

Enrichment of quark jets:

↔ angularity narrower but pTD broader

