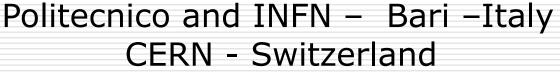
## Recent results from ALICE at LHC





### **Giuseppe E Bruno**

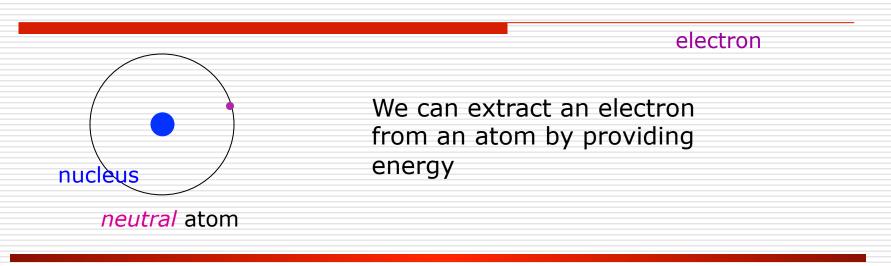




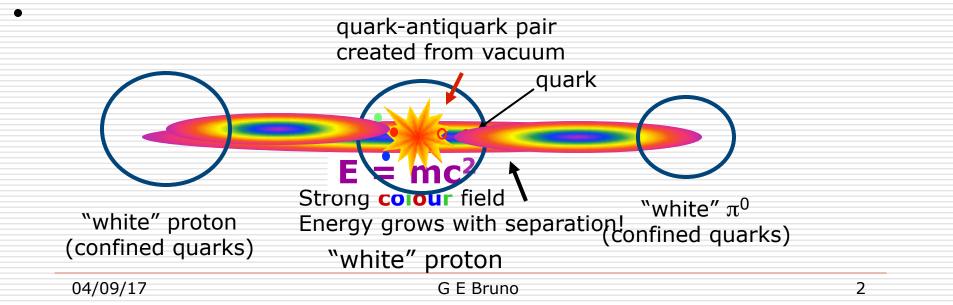
#### Outline:

- Introduction to heavy ion collisions
- recent Pb-Pb results: a selection
- "small systems": pp and p-Pb results
- future
- summary

#### Confinement: a crucial feature of QCD

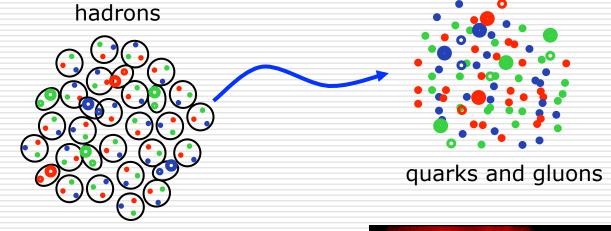


But we cannot get free quarks out of hadrons: "colour confinement"



#### The QCD phase transition

Lattice QCD calculations indicate that, at a *critical* temperature around 160 MeV, strongly interacting matter undergoes a phase transition to a new state where the quarks and gluons are no longer confined into



How hot is a medium of  $T \sim 160 \text{ MeV}$ ?



15 M °K

100,000 times hotter than the Sun core

hadrons

#### EXPONENTIAL HADRONIC SPECTRUM AND QUARK LIBERATION



N. Cabibbo and G. Parisi, Phys. Lett. B59 (1975) 67

The exponentially increasing spectrum proposed by Hagedorn is not necessarily connected with a limiting temperature, but it is present in any system which undergoes a second order phase transition. We suggest that the "observed" exponential spectrum is connected to the existence of a different phase of the vacuum in which quarks are not confined.

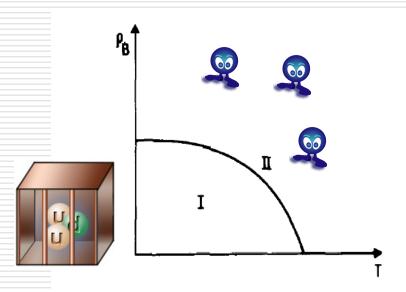
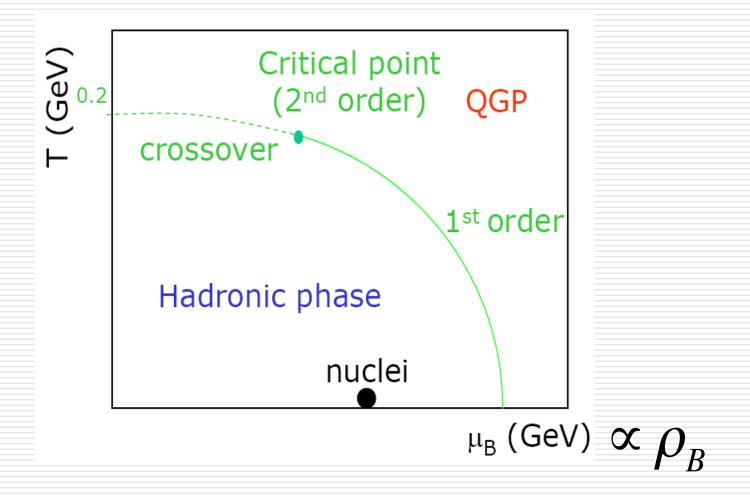
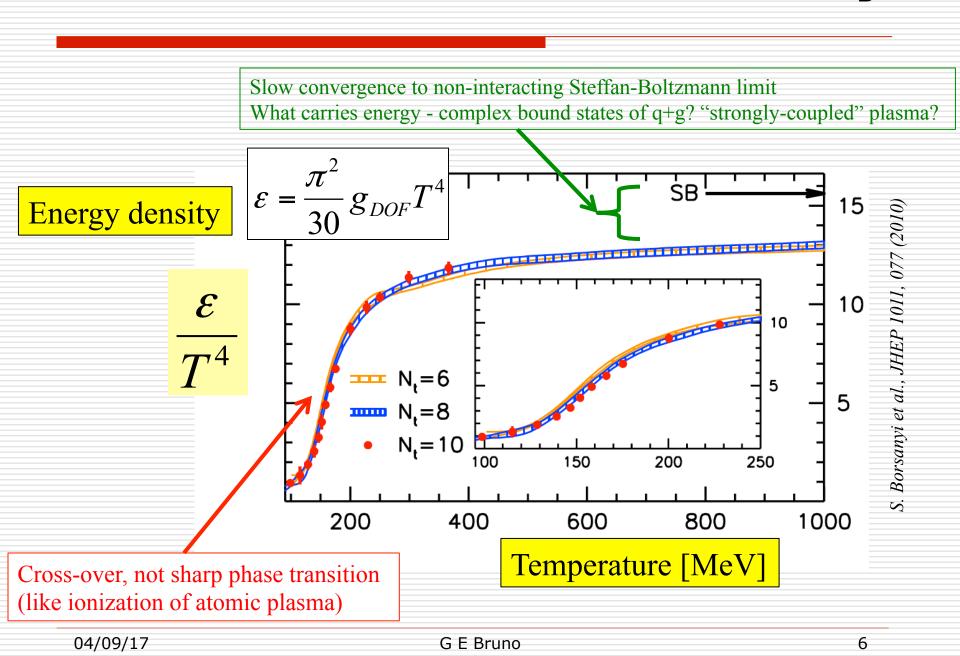


Fig. 1. Schematic phase diagram of hadronic matter.  $\rho_{R}$  is the density of baryonic number. Quarks are confined in phase I and unconfined in phase II.

#### The phase diagram of QCD, today

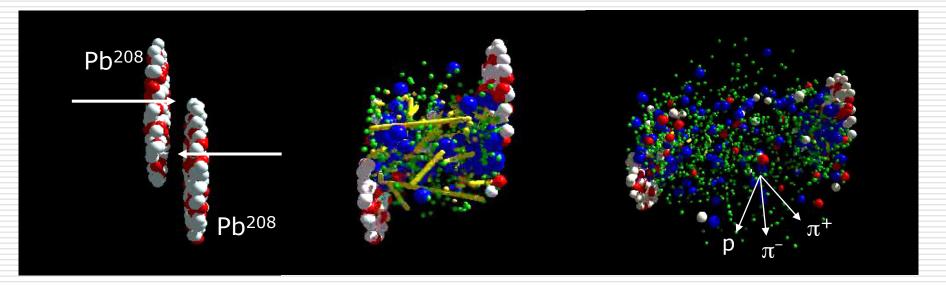


## Finite Temperature QCD on the Lattice ( $\mu_B=0$ )



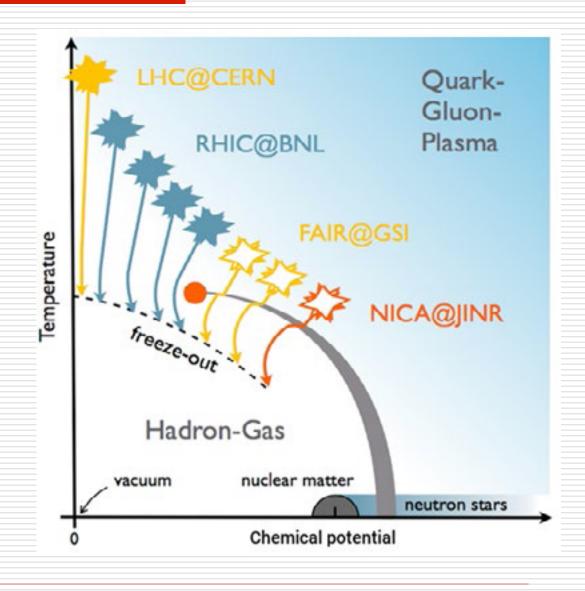
#### How do we study bulk QCD matter?

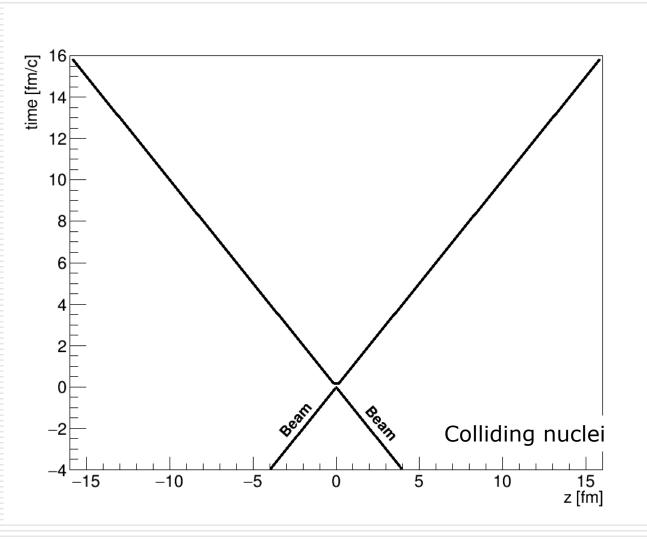
- We can heat and/or compress a large volume of QCD matter
- Done in the lab by colliding heavy nuclei at high energies

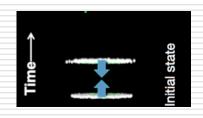


## Exploring the QCD phase diagram

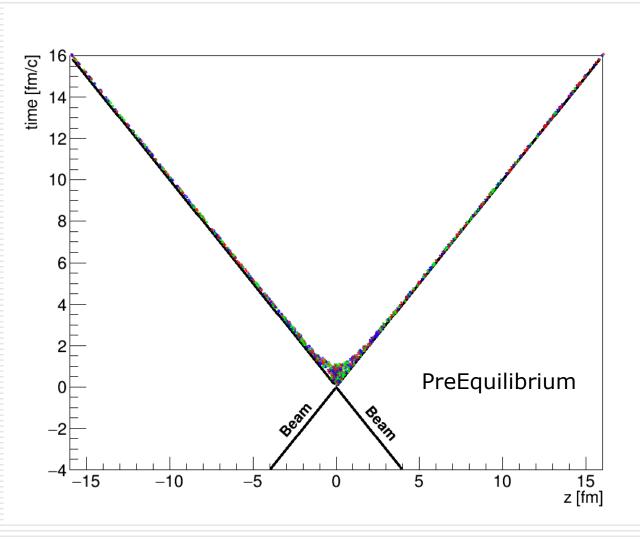
- regime of
  "transparency"
  - very high T, μ<sub>b</sub>≅0
  - LHC and top RHIC energy
- high density regime:
  - partial stopping of the nucleons in collisions
  - physics of FAIR@GSI and NICA@JINR

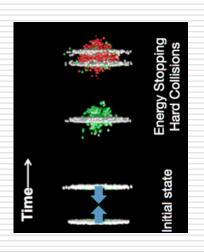




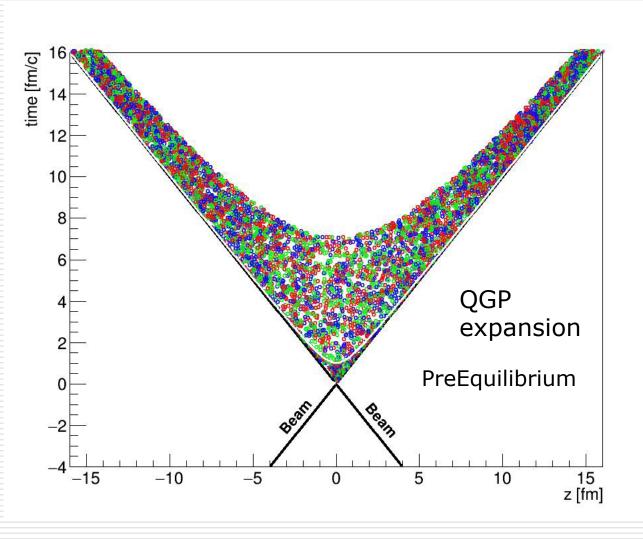


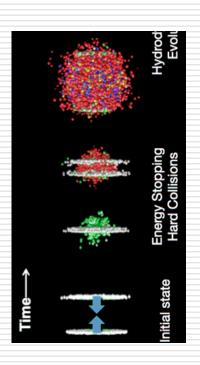
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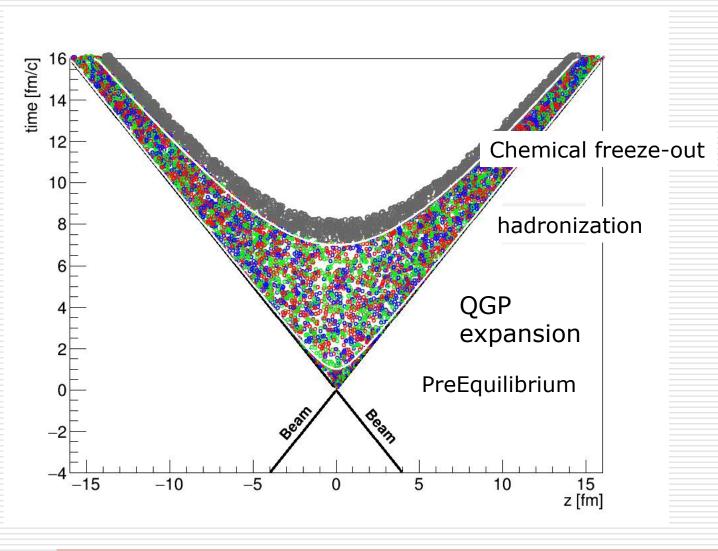


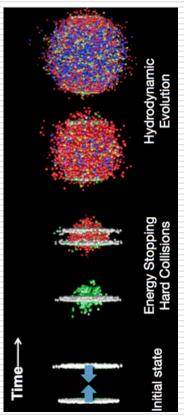


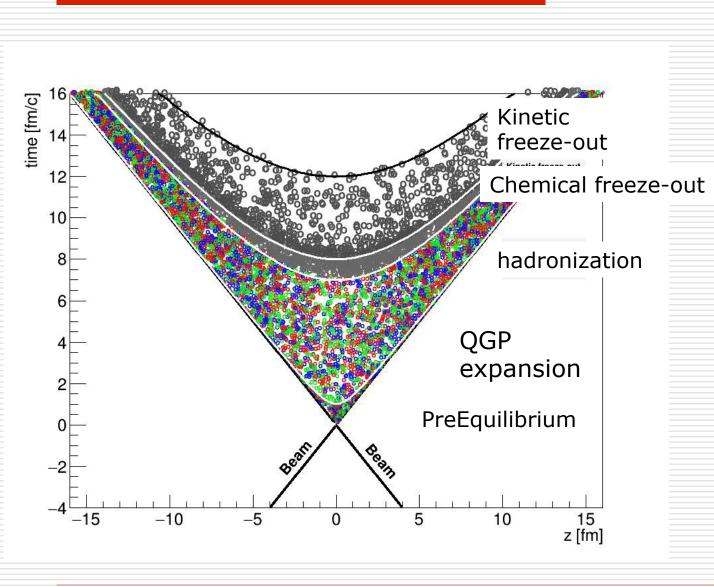
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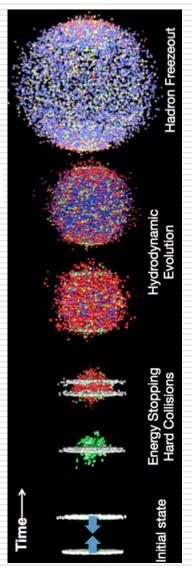


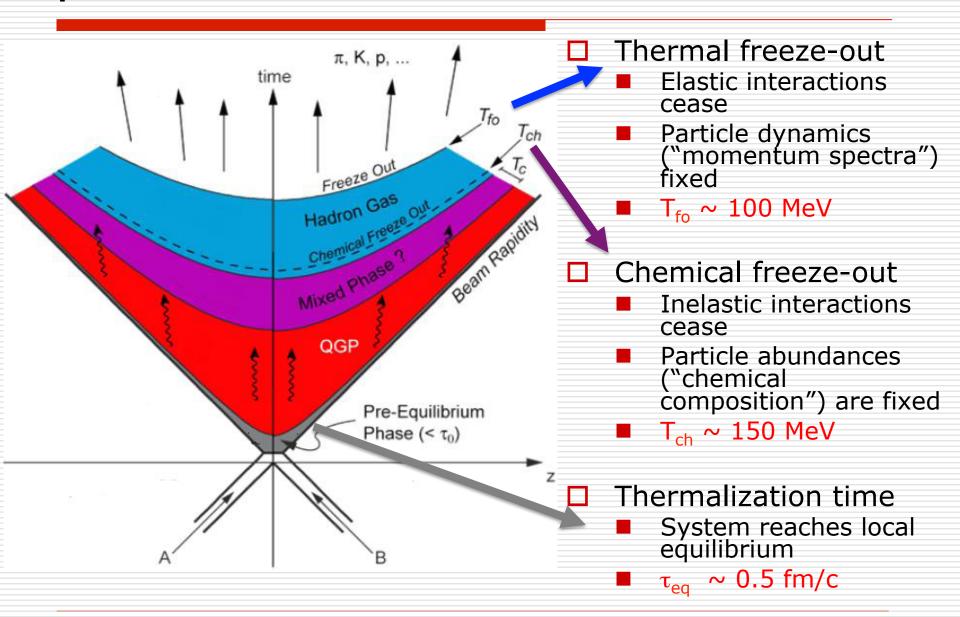




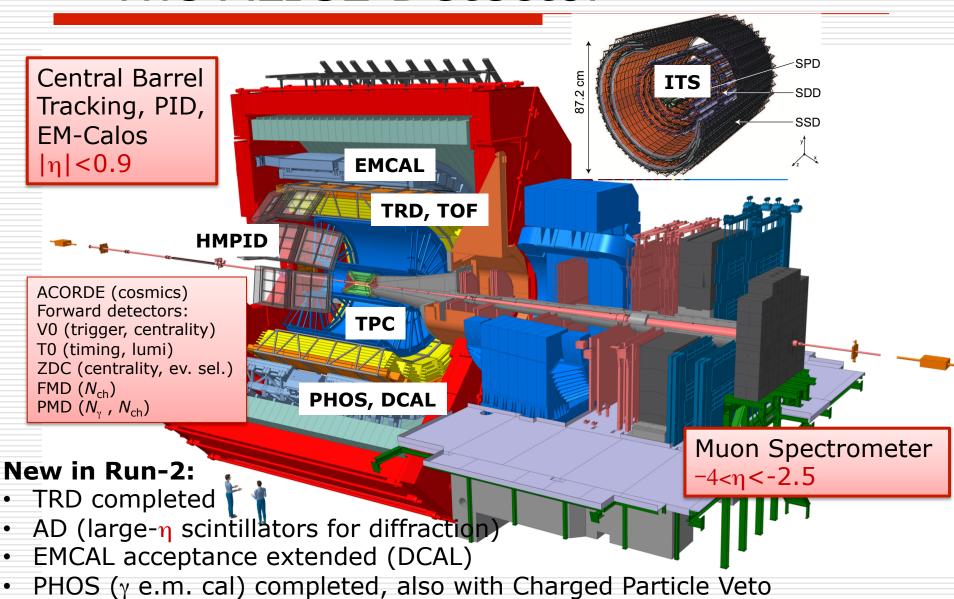








## The ALICE Detector



## ALICE data-taking in Run-2

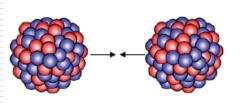
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рр	2015-2016	13	~14 pb <sup>-1</sup>
рр	2015 (~4 days)	5.02	~100 nb <sup>-1</sup>
p-Pb	2016	5.02	~3 nb <sup>-1</sup>
p-Pb	2016	8.16	~20 nb <sup>-1</sup>
Pb-p	2016	8.16	~20 nb <sup>-1</sup>
Pb-Pb	2015	5.02	~0.4 nb <sup>-1</sup>

#### ☐ Goals for 2017-18:

- Pb-Pb: reach 1/nb target
- pp 13 TeV: reach 40/pb target
- High statistics pp 5 TeV sample

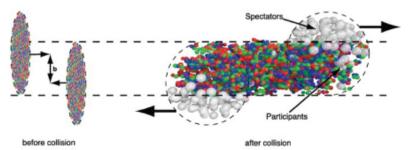
## from pp to Pb-Pb collisions at LHC

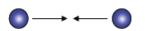
The paradigm



#### Pb-Pb Collisions (√s<sub>NN</sub> = 2.76, 5 TeV)

- Core business: create and characterize the QGP
- Centrality

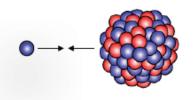




#### **pp Collisions** ( $\sqrt{s} = 0.9 - 13 \text{ TeV}$ )

Reference data

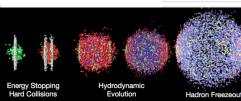
to be revised later on !



#### p-Pb Collisions (\subseteq SNN = 5, 8 TeV)

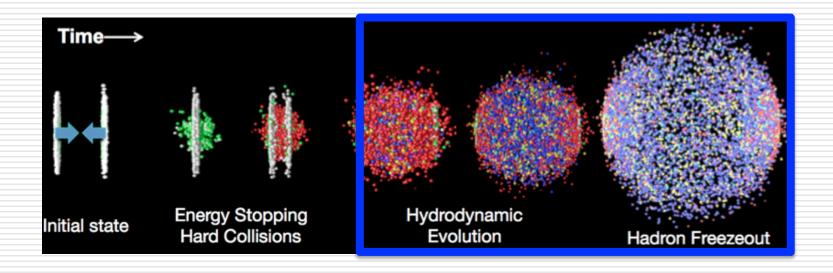
- Control experiment
- "Cold nuclear matter" effects (e.g. modifications to PDF)





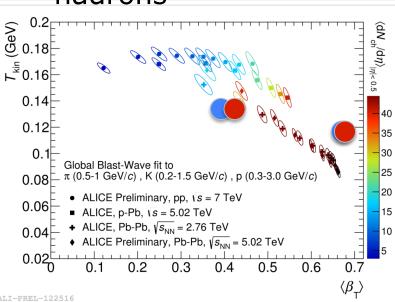
## Recent Pb-Pb results

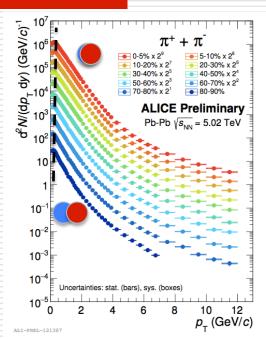
Hadron production and flow in Pb-Pb collisions at 5 TeV

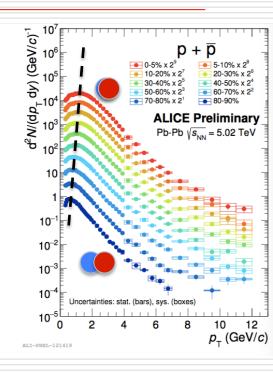


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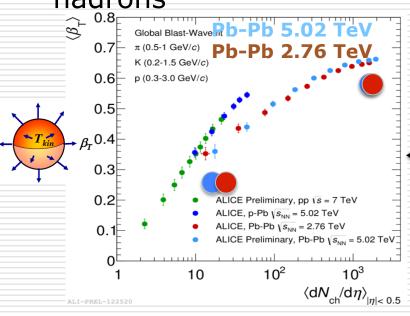


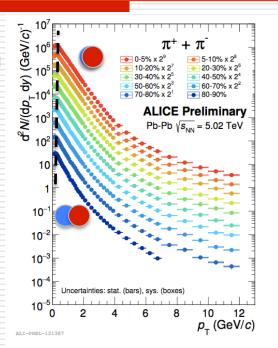
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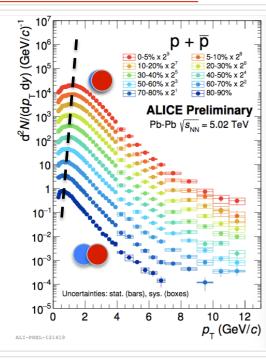
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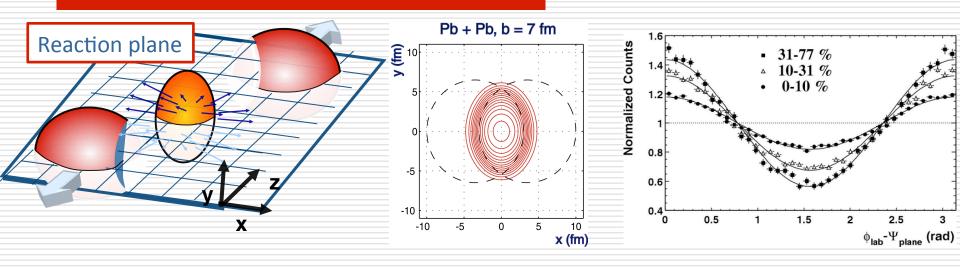




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## Azimuthal anisotropy



Almond shaped overlap region in geom. space



strong in-plane expansion due to pressure gradients



anisotropy in momentum space

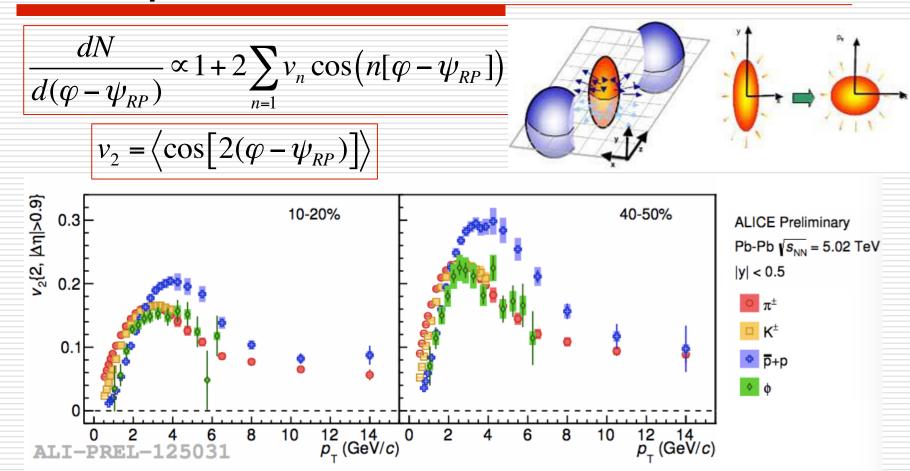
$$\frac{dN}{d(\varphi - \psi_{RP})} \propto 1 + 2\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \cos(n[\varphi - \psi_{RP}])$$

$$v_2 = \left\langle \cos \left[ 2(\varphi - \psi_{RP}) \right] \right\rangle$$

100μs 600μs 1000μs 2000μs

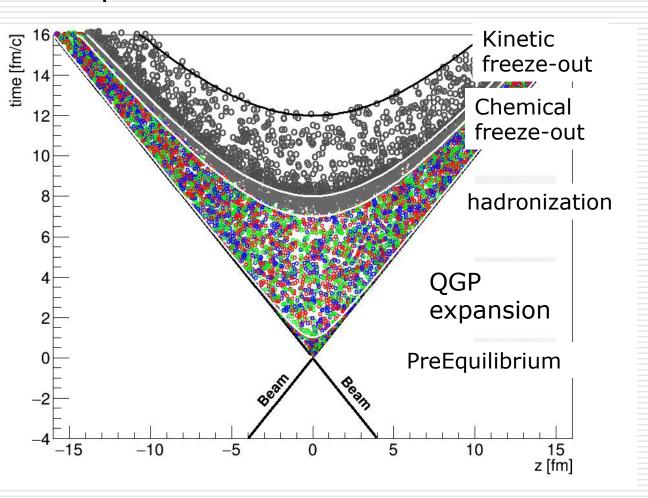
Fermionic lithium-6 atoms

## Elliptic flow at 5 TeV

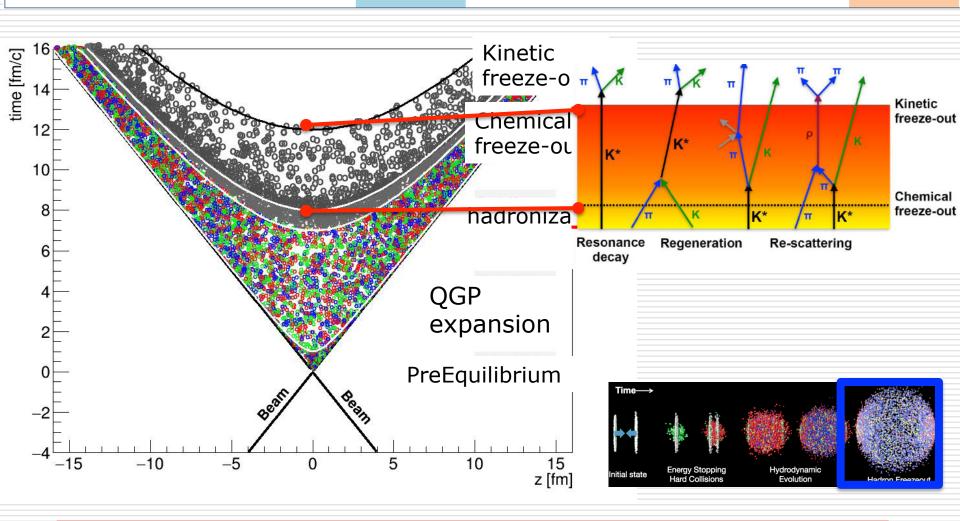


Mass ordering at  $p_T$ <2 GeV/c → hydro-dynamic flow, very small viscosity More precise Run-2 data (esp.  $\phi$  meson) reveal baryon vs. meson grouping at higher pT (2-6 GeV/c) → quark-level flow + recombination?

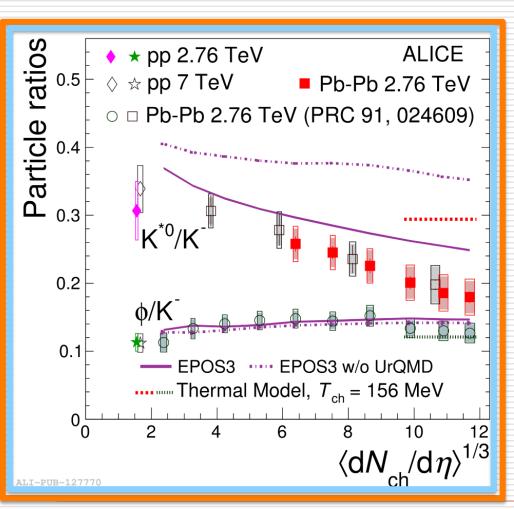
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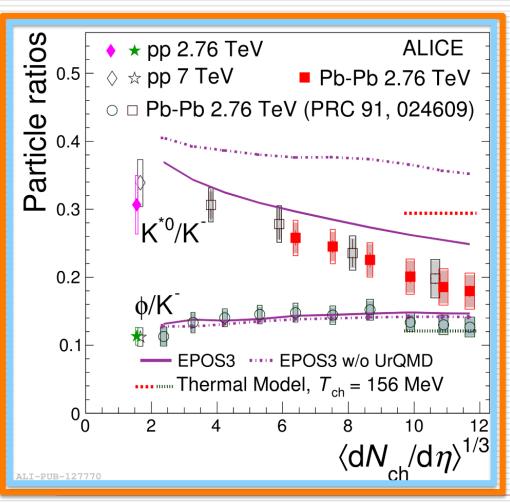


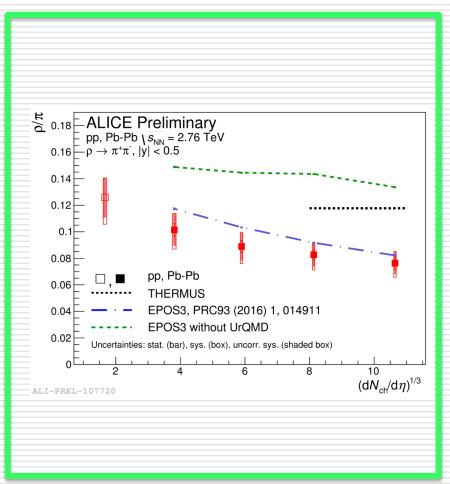
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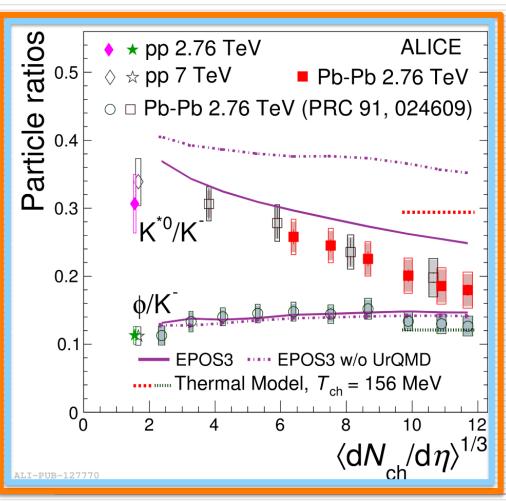


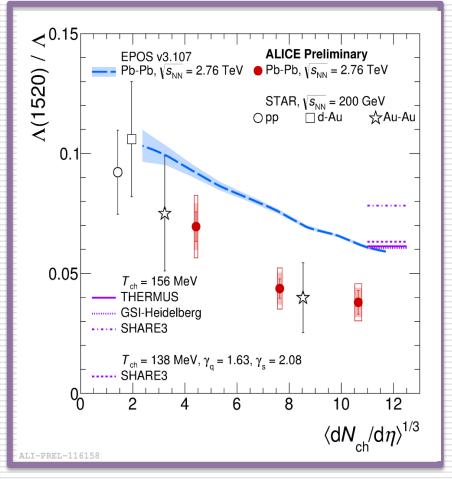


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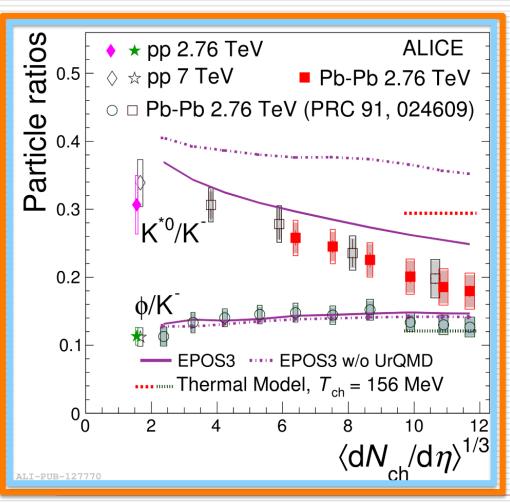


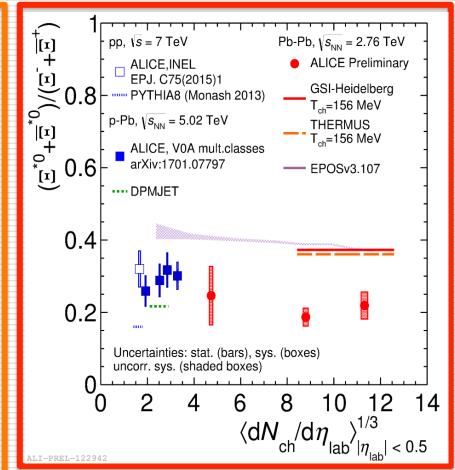


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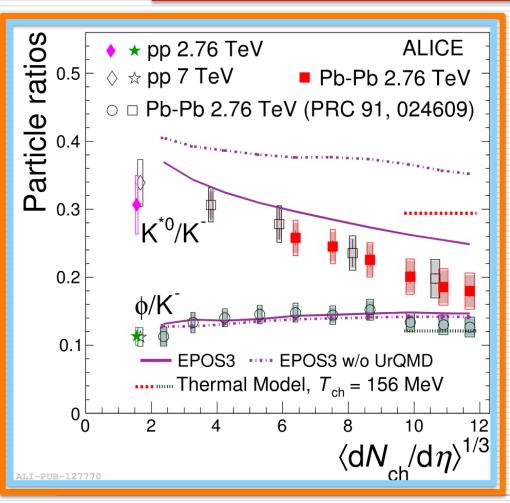
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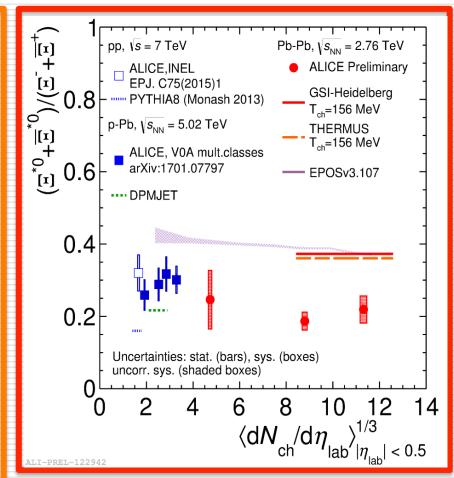




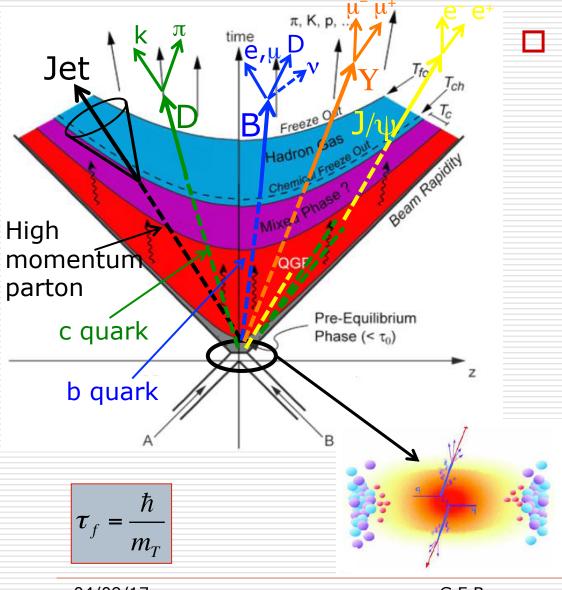
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Short-lived resonances exhibit suppression→ suggests elastic scattering as dominant mechanism

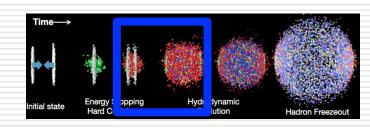




## Hard probes of A-A collision



- Hard probes in nucleusnucleus collisions:
  - produced at the very early stage of the collisions in partonic processes with large Q<sup>2</sup>
  - pQCD can be used to calculate initial cross sections
  - traverse the hot and dense medium
  - can be used to probe the properties of the medium



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## Nuclear modification factor

- Without nuclear effects, the production of hard probes in A-A is expected to scale with the number of nucleon-nucleon collisions N<sub>coll</sub> (binary scaling)
- □ Observable: nuclear modification factor

$$R_{\rm AA} = \frac{1}{N_{\rm coll}} \frac{\mathrm{d}N_{\rm AA} / \mathrm{d}p_{\rm T}}{\mathrm{d}N_{\rm pp} / \mathrm{d}p_{\rm T}} = \frac{1}{T_{\rm AA}} \frac{\mathrm{d}N_{\rm AA} / \mathrm{d}p_{\rm T}}{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\rm pp} / \mathrm{d}p_{\rm T}} \sim \frac{\rm QCD\ medium}{\rm QCD\ vacuum}$$

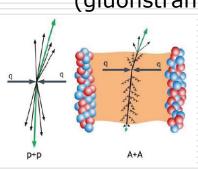


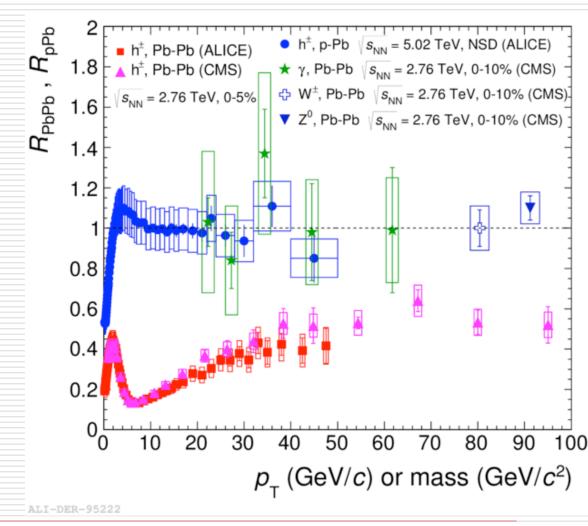
- Effects from the hot and deconfined medium created in the collision → breakup of binary scaling → R<sub>AA</sub>≠1
  - Parton energy loss via gluon radiation and collisions in the medium
- But also initial state effects (e.g. nuclear modification of PDFs) may lead to R<sub>AA</sub>≠1
  - Need control experiments: p-A collisions + medium-blind probes (photons, W, Z)

PbPb measurement

# Nuclear modification of unidentified particles

- The easiest way to study "jet quenching"
- physics interpretation:
  - scattered parton (high p<sub>t</sub>) looses energy while traversing the medium
    - collisional energy loss
    - radiative energy loss (gluonstrahlung)





# Nuclear modification of identified particles

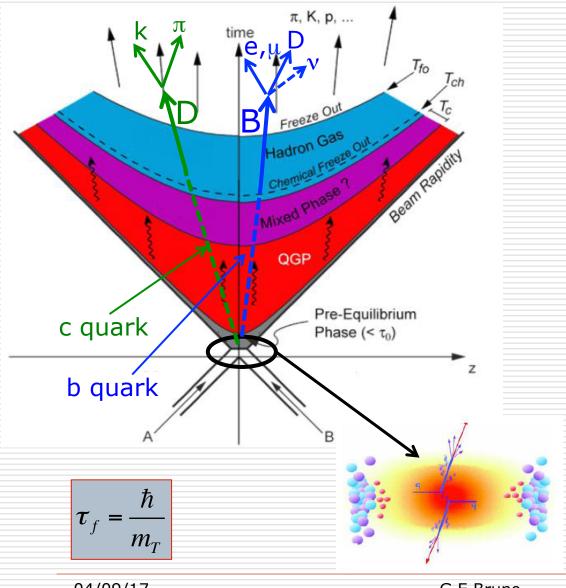
light flavour vs. charm vs. beauty hadrons (or jets)

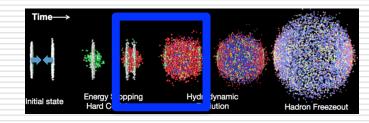
- quenching vs. colour charge of partons
  - heavy flavour hadron comes from quark ( $C_R = 4/3$ )
  - light flavour from (p<sub>T</sub>-dep) mix of quark and gluon (C<sub>R</sub> = 3) jets
- , **,**
- quenching vs. mass of partons
  - heavy flavour predicted to suffer less energy loss
    - □gluonstrahlung (dead cone effect)
    - □collisional loss
  - beauty vs charm
- □ Expectations:  $\Delta E_g > \Delta E_q > \Delta E_c > \Delta E_b$  → naively:  $R_{AA}^h < R_{AA}^D < R_{AA}^B$

considering different pt distributions and fragmentations:

$$R_{AA}^{h} \approx R_{AA}^{D} < R_{AA}^{B}$$

## Open heavy Flavour



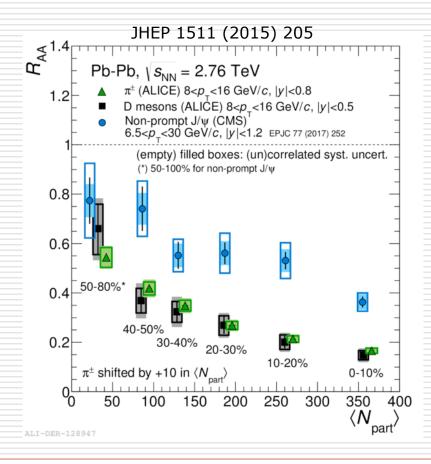


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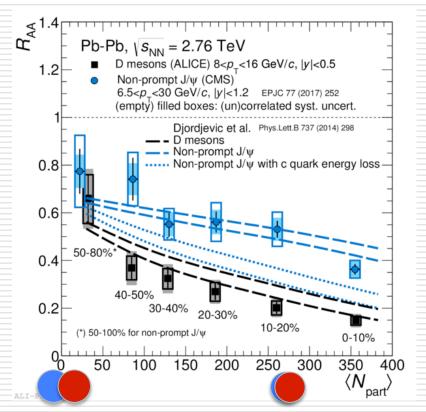
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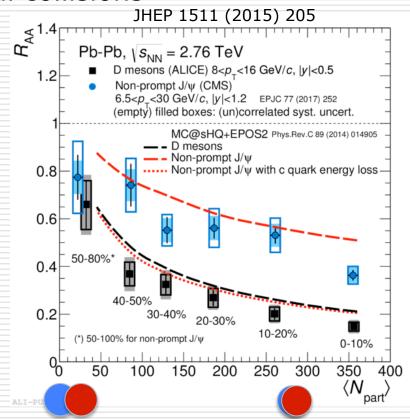
- □ Indication of mass dependent suppression  $R_{AA}(b) > R_{AA}(c)$ 
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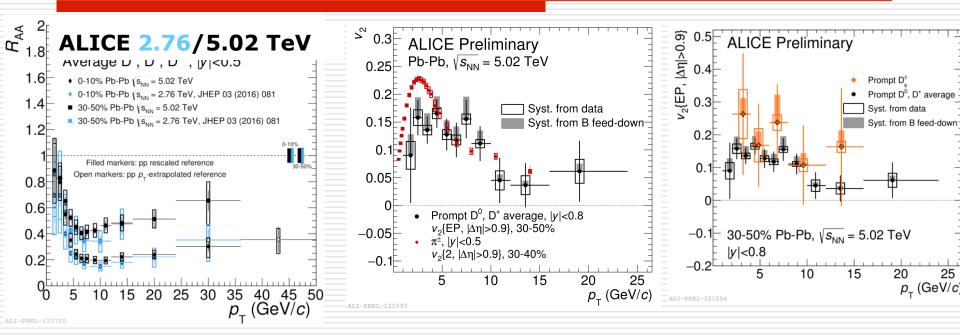
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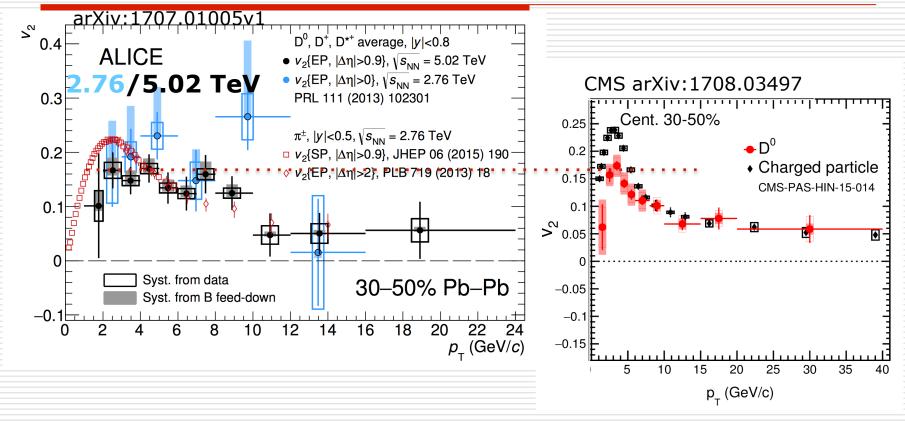
Examples of 2 models describing the mass dependence of the energy loss in the QGP

#### Run-2 results



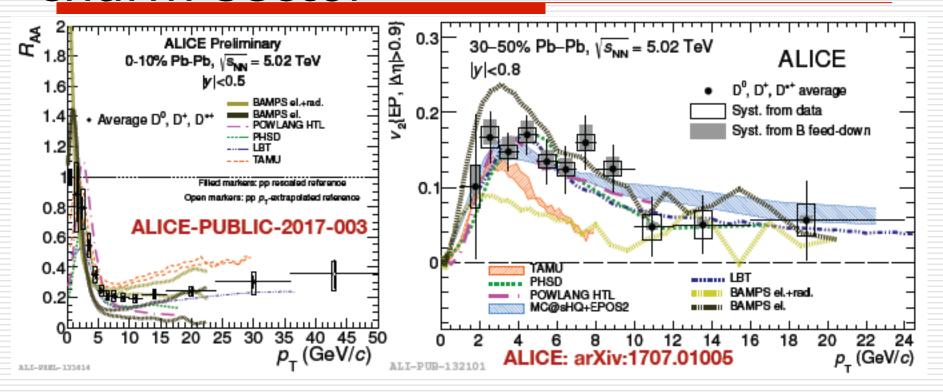
- $\square$  D meson nuclear modification factor  $R_{AA}$  at 5 TeV
  - Uncertainties reduced by a factor ~2 (in 30-50%)
  - Similar  $R_{AA}$  as at 2.76 TeV: consistent with higher QGP opacity, given the harder  $dN/dp_{T}$
- □ Charm flows → models describe data with thermalisation time ~3-8 fm/c
- $\square$  First ever measurement of  $D_s$  flow (large uncertainties)

# Evidence of charm flowing with the medium at LHC



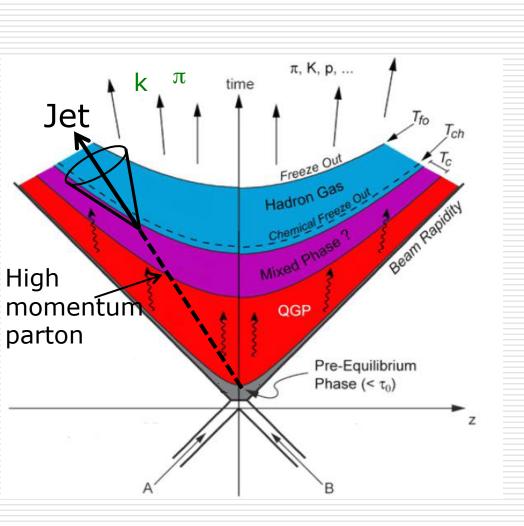
- final results from ALICE
  - much improved with respect to RUN2 data
- in agreement with CMS results (covering higher p<sub>t</sub> range)
- $\square$  D<sup>0</sup>  $v_2$  < charged particle  $v_2$

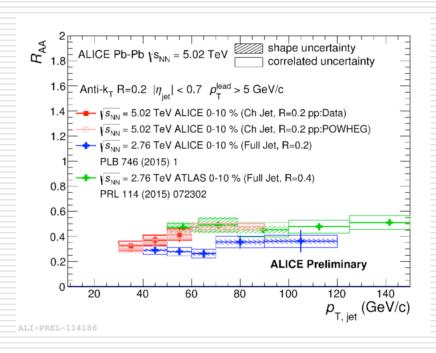
# Constraining the models in the charm sector

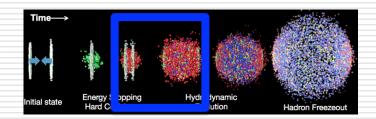


- $\square$  stringent constraint to models aiming at describing both  $R_{AA}$  and  $V_2$ 
  - both radiative energy loss (e.g., needed to describe the high  $p_{\rm T}$  region) and collisional one necessary to match the results

#### **JETS**





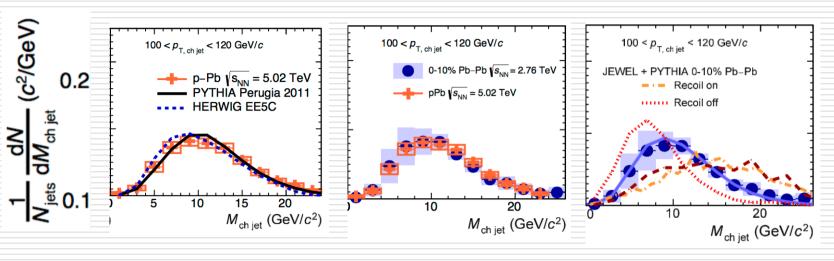


#### Jet-structure modifications

☐ First measurement of jet mass in Pb-Pb (and in p-Pb):

$$M = \sqrt{p^2 - p_T^2 - p_z^2}.$$
  $p_z = \sum_{i=1}^n p_{T_i} \sinh \eta_i, \;\; p = \sum_{i=1}^n p_{T_i} \cosh \eta_i$ 

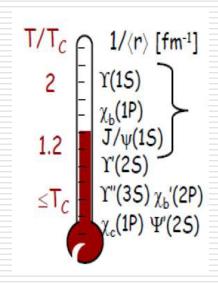
- Large M: soft constituents far from jet axis
- Small M: few hard constituents close to axis
- $\langle M_{\text{quark jet}} \rangle < \langle M_{\text{gluon jet}} \rangle$

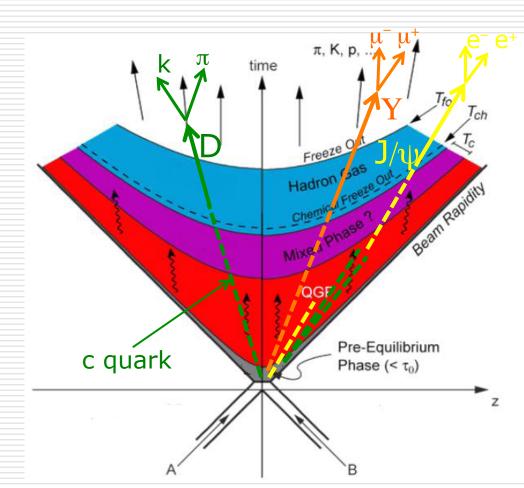


- p-Pb baseline described by PYTHIA and HERWIG
- No significant modification of jet structure in central Pb-Pb wrt p-Pb
- Pb-Pb better described by PYTHIA than by generators with gluon radiation in a QGP

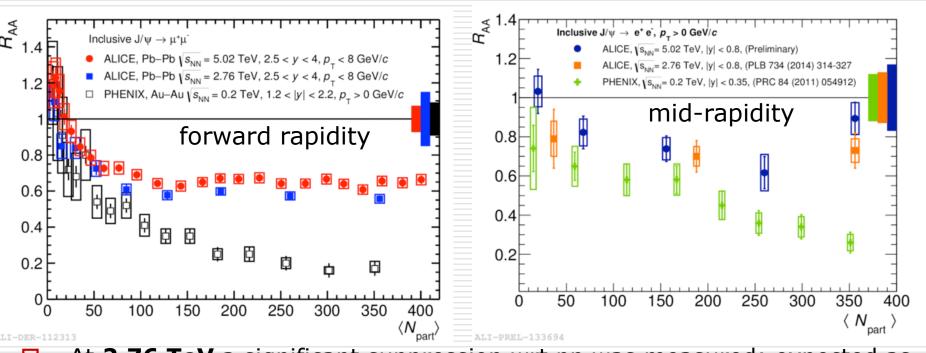
## Heavy Flavour: quarkonia

colour screening in QGP and ccreening in QGP and cc



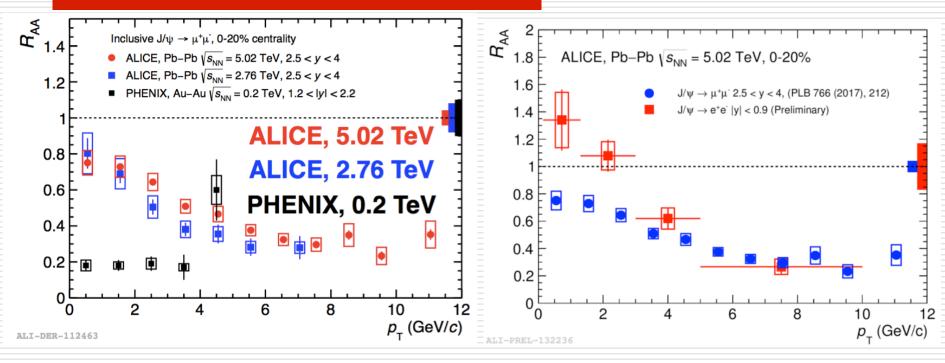


## $J/\psi$ production at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV



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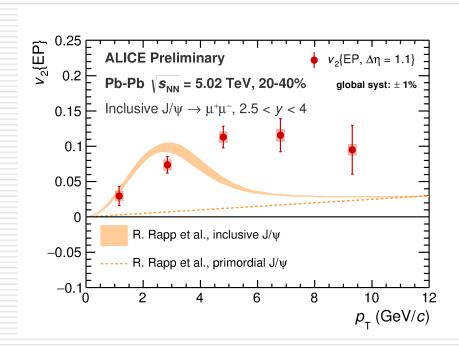
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  - hint of lower reduction at  $p_T$  2-6 GeV/c at forward rapidity
  - at low p<sub>T</sub> lower reduction at mid- than forward rapidity
     → consistent with regeneration scenario

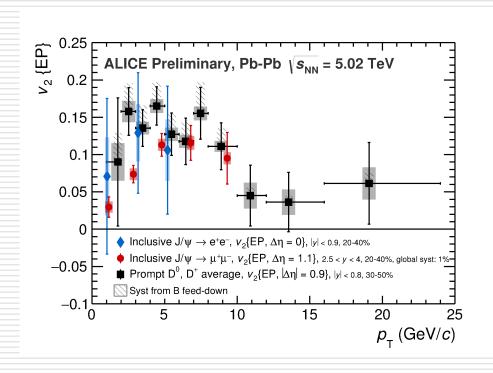
#### J/ψ elliptic flow at 5 TeV

- Unambiguous observation of non-zero J/ $\psi$  v<sub>2</sub> in semi-central (20-40%) Pb-Pb collisions at 5 TeV for J/ $\psi$  with 0 < p<sub>T</sub> < 12 GeV/c
- $\Box$  J/ψ v<sub>2</sub>(p<sub>T</sub>) increases with p<sub>T</sub> up to about 0.11 at 4 < p<sub>T</sub> < 6 GeV/c



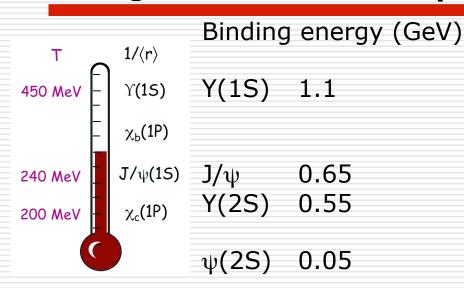
- In the framework of transport models, the large  $v_2$  values measured can only be achieved by including a strong J/ $\psi$  regeneration component from recombination of thermalized charm quarks in the QGP
  - Dominant at low  $p_T$  (< 4 GeV/c), dying out at high  $p_T$
- The large values of the  $J/\psi$  v<sub>2</sub> at high p<sub>T</sub> are a challenge to models ...

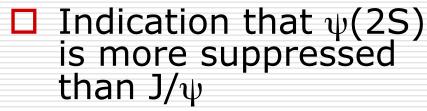
#### Hidden versus Open charm v2



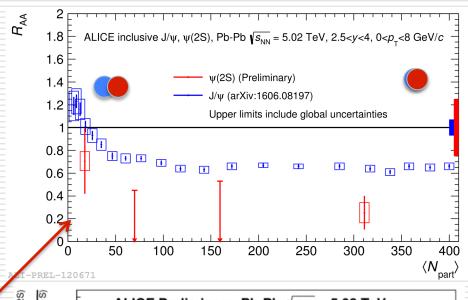
- Similar magnitude
- Consistently suggesting that charm quark flows!

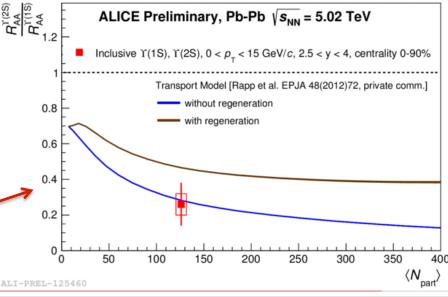
### Quarkonium production





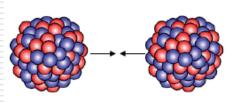
- role of regeneration to be understood
- Y(2S) is 4 times more suppressed than Y(1S)





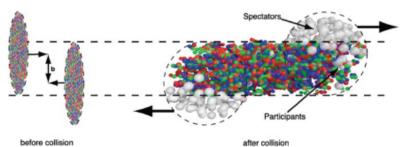
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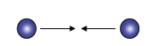
#### The paradigm





- Core business: create and characterize the QGP
- Centrality

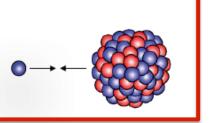




**pp Collisions** ( $\sqrt{s} = 0.9 - 13 \text{ TeV}$ )

Reference data

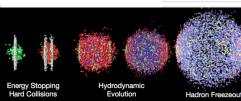
to be revised later on!



p-Pb Collisions (\squares snn = 5, 8 TeV)

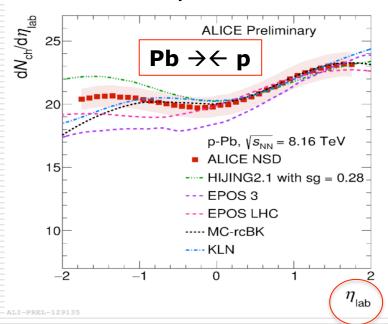
- Control experiment
- "Cold nuclear matter" effects (e.g. modifications to PDF)

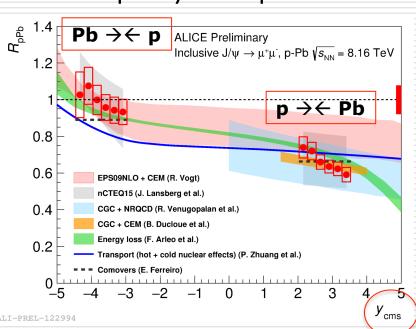




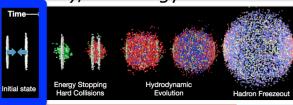
# Two recent examples within the paradigm: p-Pb at 8 TeV

- Charged-particle multiplicity distribution,  $dN_{ch}/d\eta$ , measured using tracklets in the pixel detector
- $\square$  Inclusive J/ $\psi$  at forward and backward rapidity with p-Pb and Pb-p





- Reduction of particle production in the "p-going" direction, where small-x gluons in the Pb nucleus are probed
  - Described by models with nuclear-PDFs or gluon saturation (CGC), or energy loss
- Essential reference for the role of these effects in Pb-Pb



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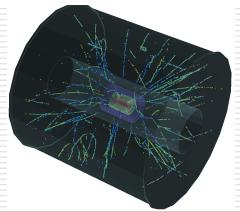
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Revisiting the paradigm

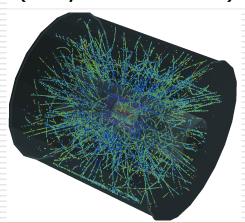
striking properties observed in very high multiplicity p-Pb and pp collisions at LHC, which resemble those due to collectivity/ QGP-like properties of the Pb-Pb systems

one of the major surprise at the LHC so far

low multiplicity pp (majority of events)

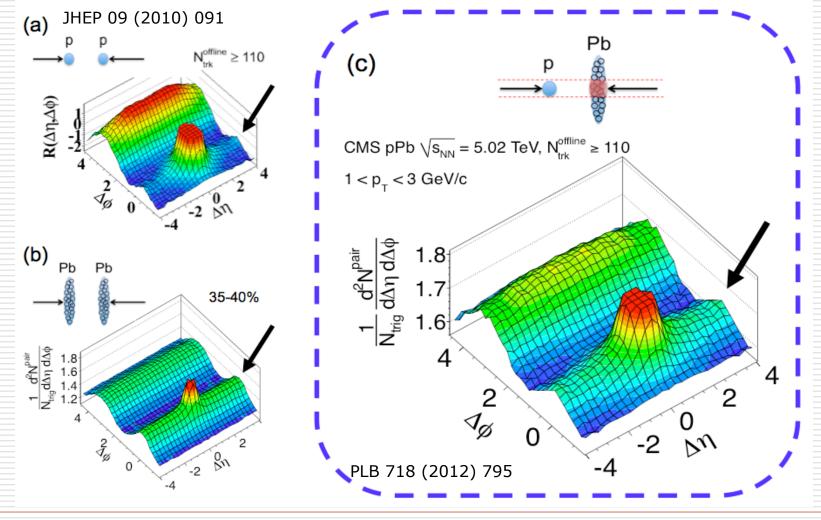


high multiplicity pp (very rare events)

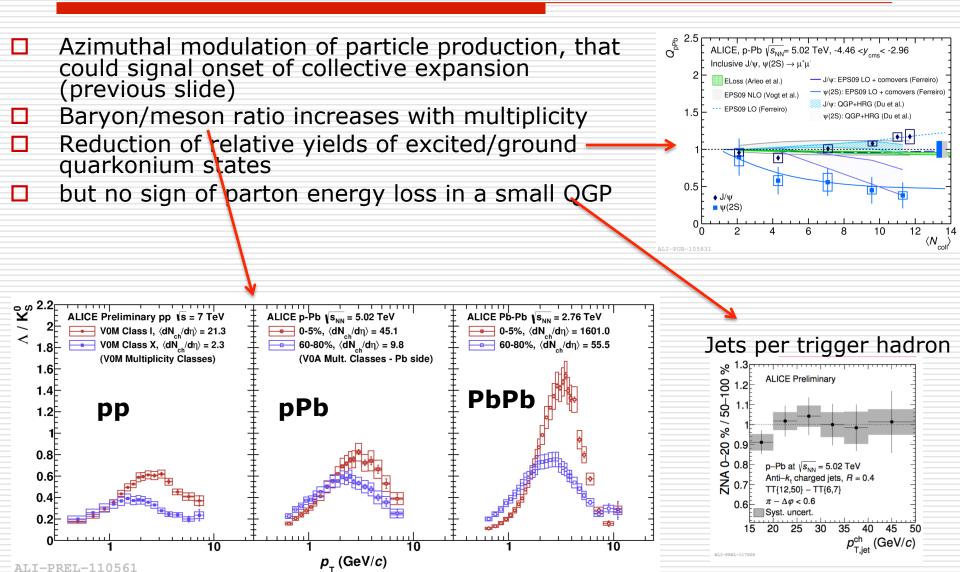


## ... not only ALICE

CMS famous papers of 2010 (pp) and 2012 (pPb)

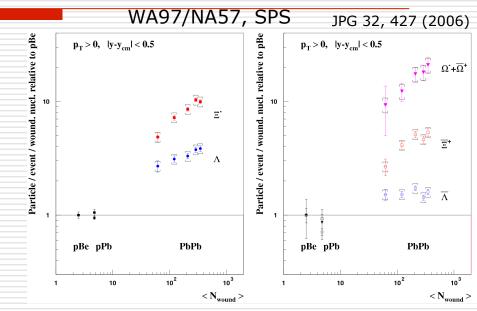


## The intriguing small systems



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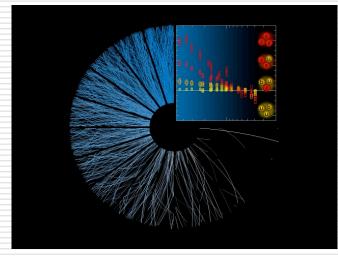


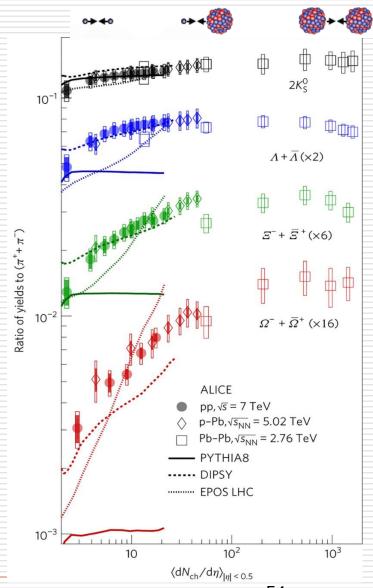
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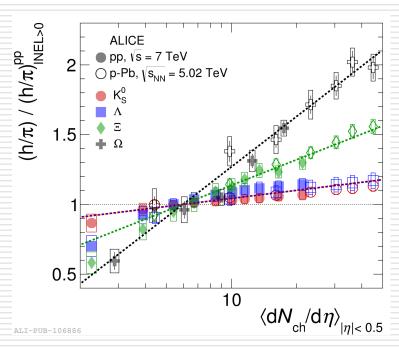
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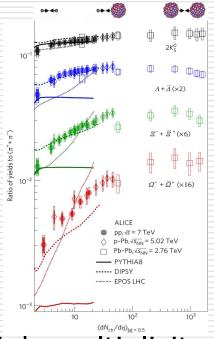
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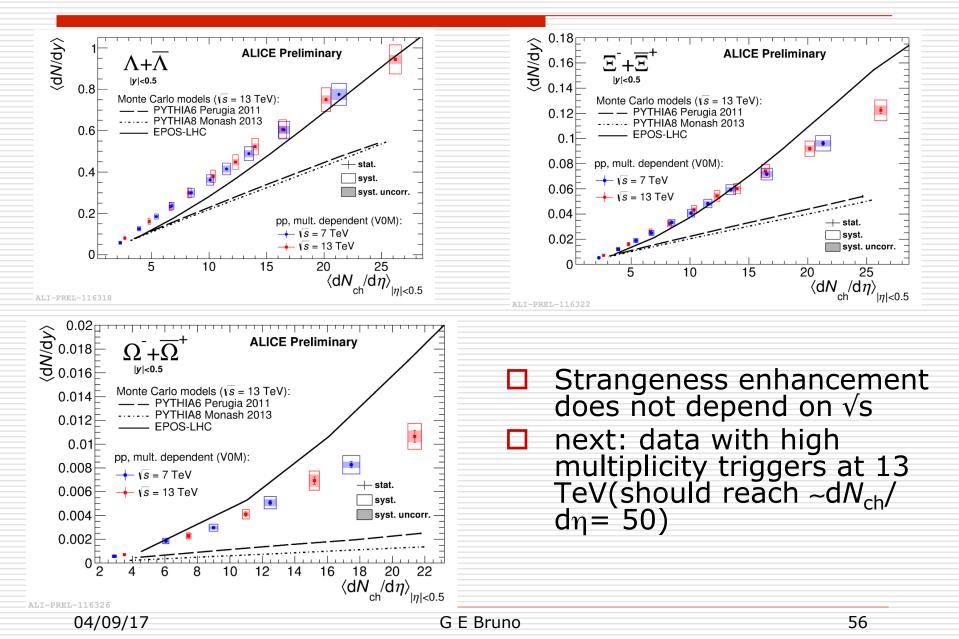




- Now in high-multiplicity pp (and p-Pb)!
- Adds to other similarities, also seen by the other experiments, e.g. collectivity
- QGP in high-mult. pp?
- New directions for research!

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#### Strangeness enhancement: energy dependence?

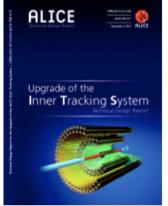


#### ALICE after Run-2

- Major upgrade during LS2
- Strategy driven by these main physics goals:
  - HF mesons and baryons
  - Charmonium states
  - Di-leptons from QGP radiation and low-mass vector mesons
  - Light nuclei and Hyper-nuclei
- $\square$  Improve tracking resolution at low  $p_{\scriptscriptstyle au}$ 
  - increase granularity, reduce material thickness
- Large minimum-bias statistics (no dedicated trigger possible)
  - write all Pb-Pb interactions at 50 kHz (x50 faster)

Run 3+4: increase of MB sample **x100** wrt Run2



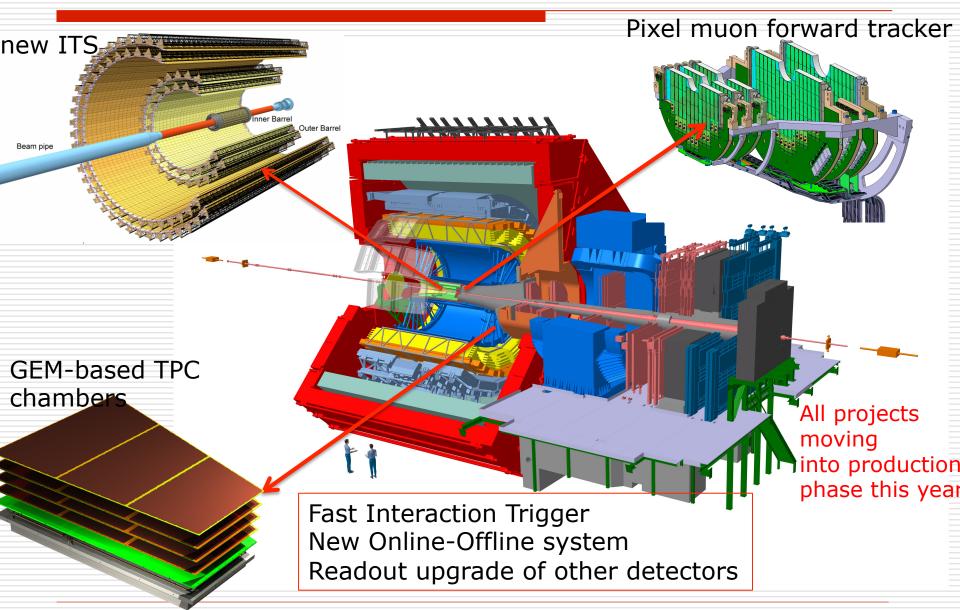








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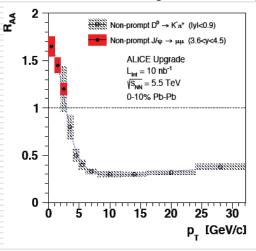


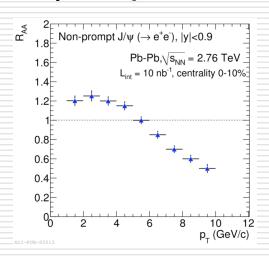
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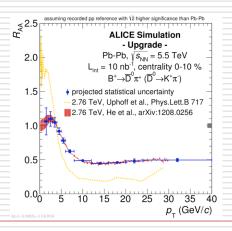
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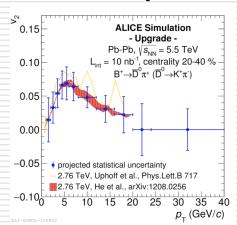
 $\square$  B $\rightarrow$ D<sup>0</sup>+X (barrel) and B $\rightarrow$  J/ $\psi$ +X (barrel & MFT)





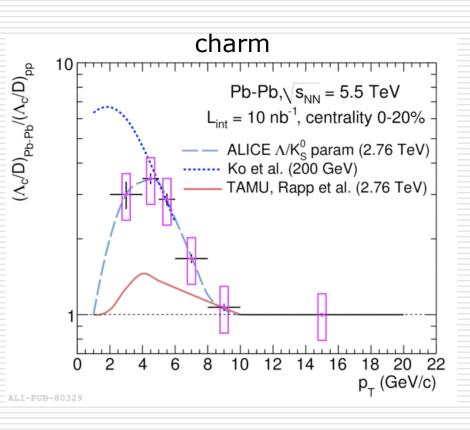
 $\square$  fully reconstructed beauty mesons (B- $\rightarrow$ D<sup>0</sup> $\pi$ +)

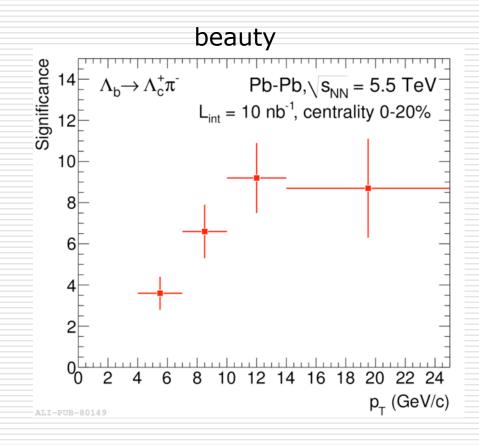




#### bechmark studies: HF baryons

#### $\square$ $\Lambda_c$ and $\Lambda_b$





#### Summary

- ALICE is producing a large number of results from Run-2
- Measurements in Pb-Pb collisions with improved precision are providing a more detailed insight on the QGP workings
- Small systems (pp and p-Pb) continue to reveal unexpected results that open the search for the smallest droplet of QGP
- The ALICE Upgrade is gearing up in view of installation in the next LS

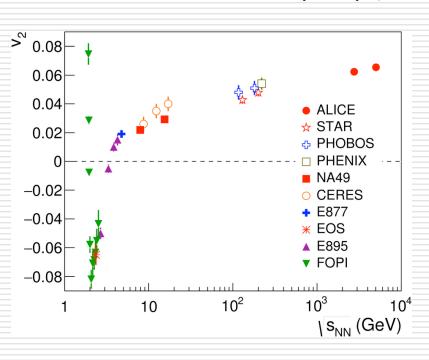
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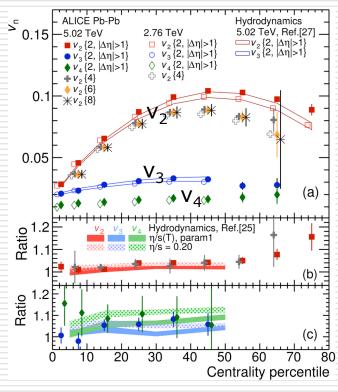
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#### Flow of unidentified charged particles

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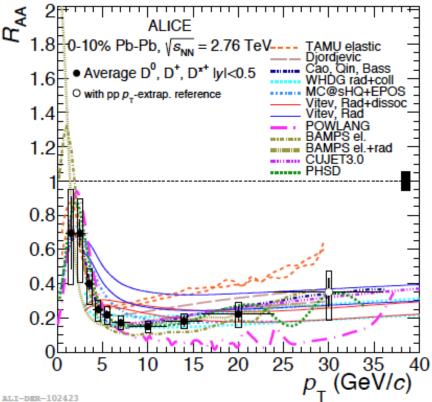




- ☐ The flow increases by about 30% w.r.t. RHIC. The system produced at the LHC behaves as a very low viscosity fluid (a perfect fluid)
  - $\blacksquare$  constraints dependence of  $\eta$ /s versus temperature

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#### ${\sf J/\psi}$ in p-Pb at 8 TeV

