

# *Flow-like in small systems.*

(multi-parton interactions and color reconnection effects at the LHC)

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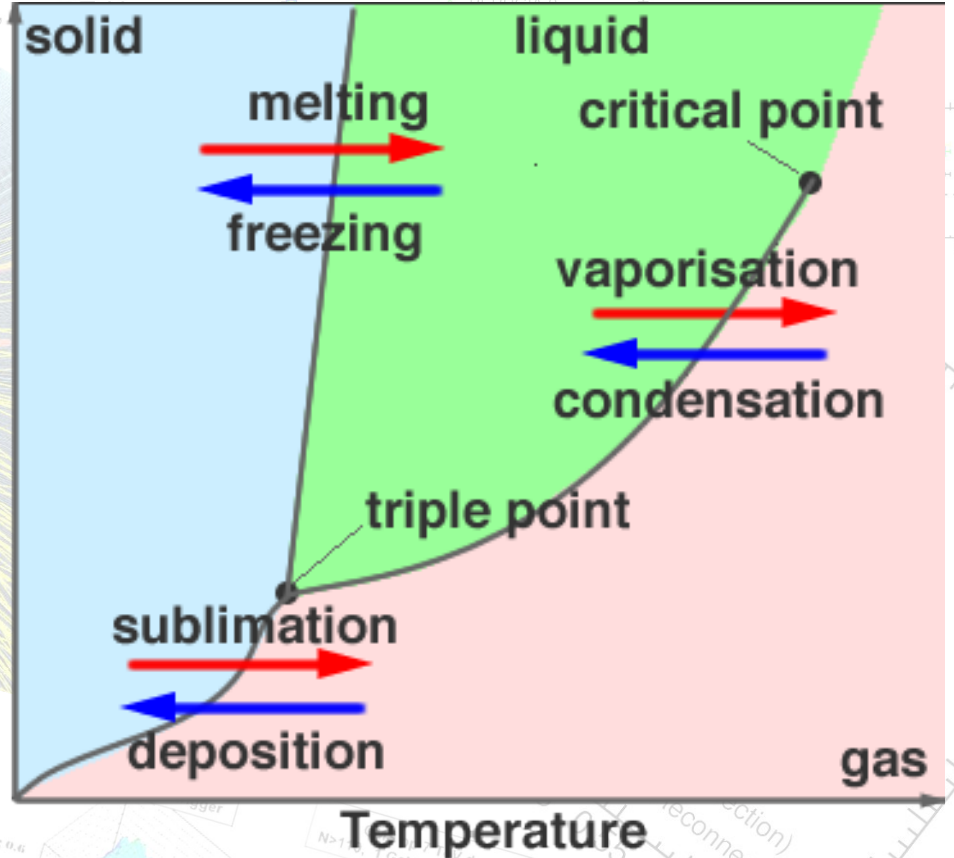
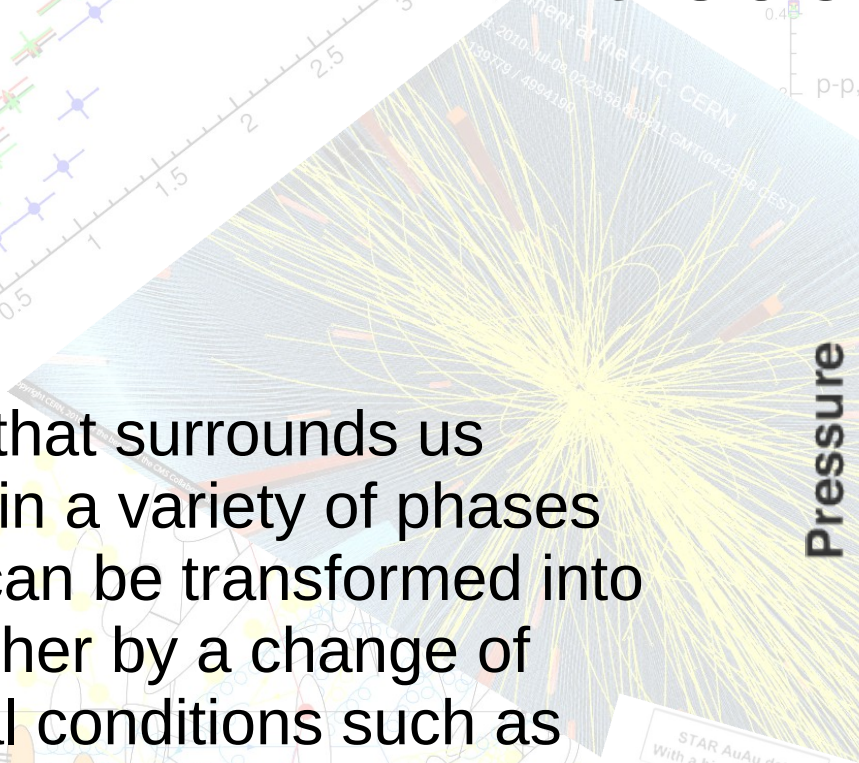
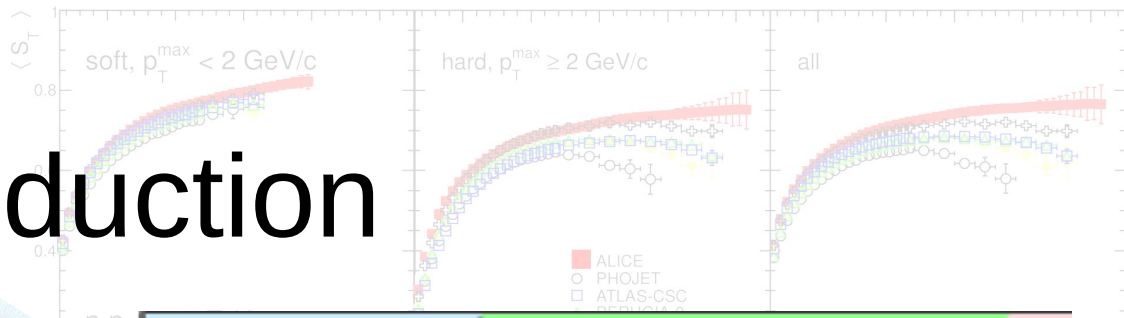
# Outline

- Introduction.
- Goal of the heavy ion collision experiments.
- Results from experiments at RHIC and LHC.
- Properties of the “cold” nuclear matter.
- Multi-parton interactions and color reconnection.
- Study using LHC data.
- Summary.

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# Introduction

Matter that surrounds us comes in a variety of phases which can be transformed into each other by a change of external conditions such as temperature, pressure, composition etc.

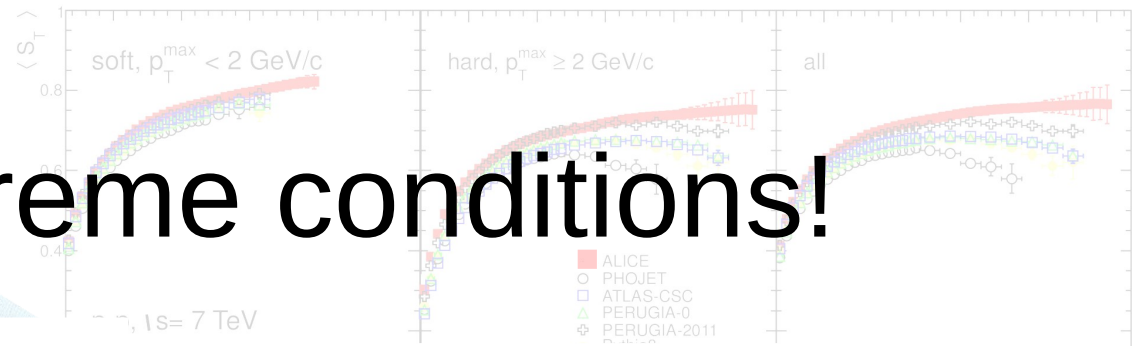


Example: the phase diagram of H<sub>2</sub>O (Besides the liquid and gaseous phases a variety of crystalline and amorphous phases occurs.).

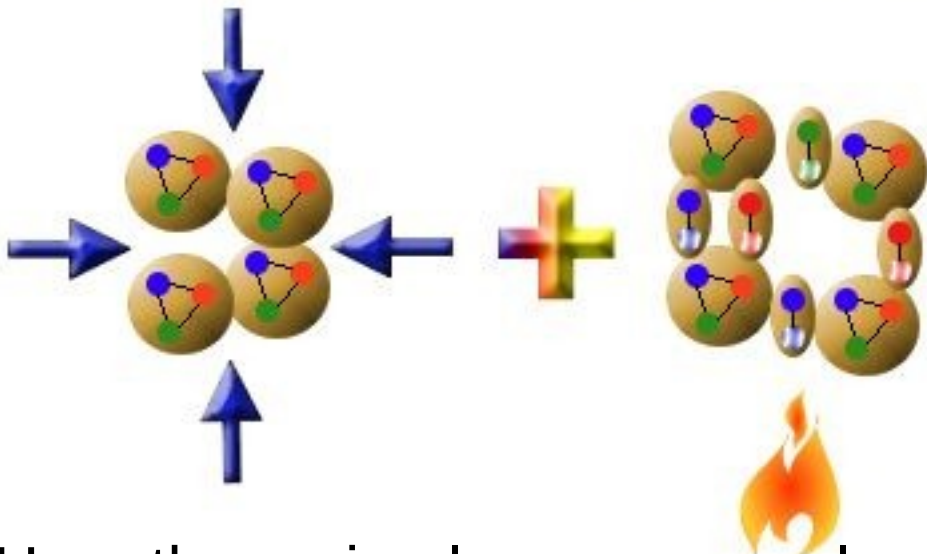
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# Matter at extreme conditions!



**One may ask what ultimately happens when matter is heated and compressed (extreme conditions).**

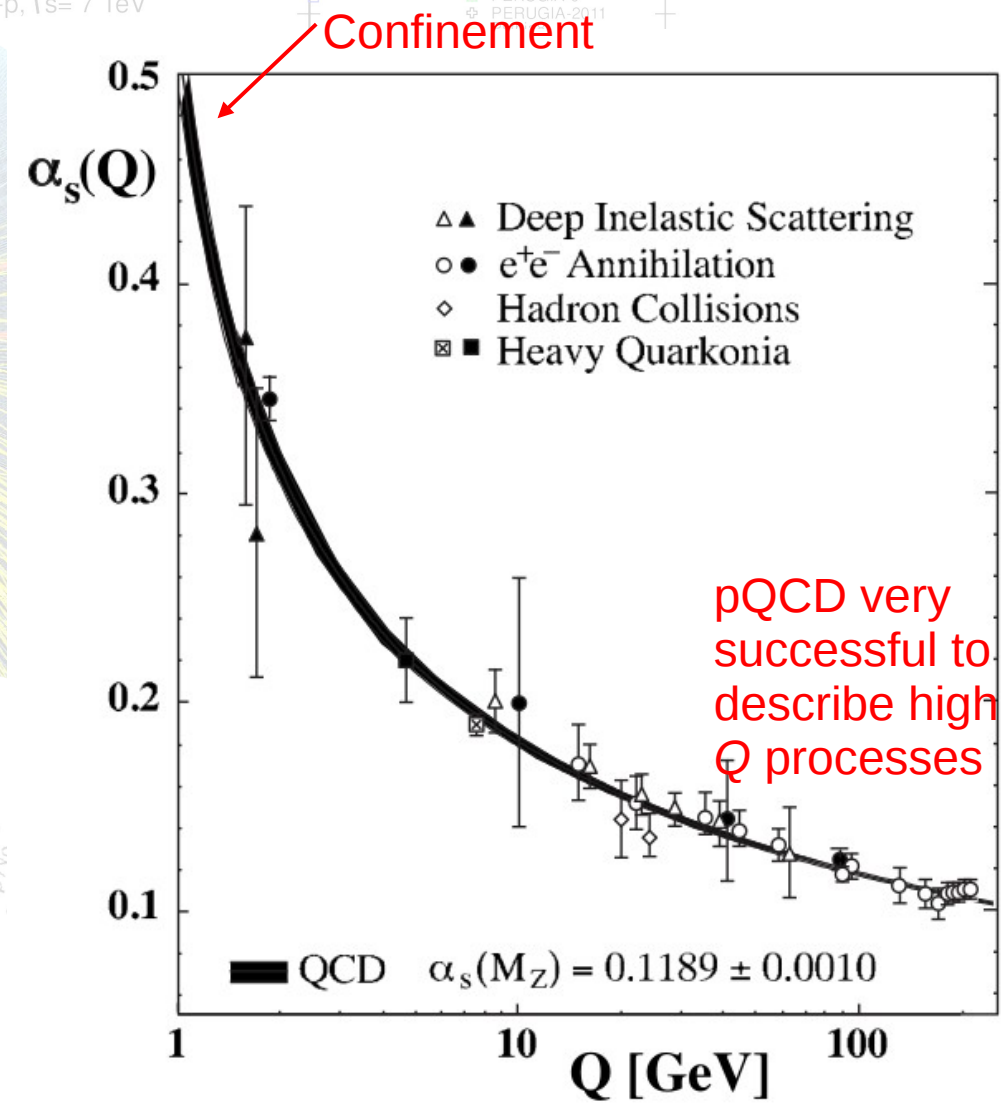
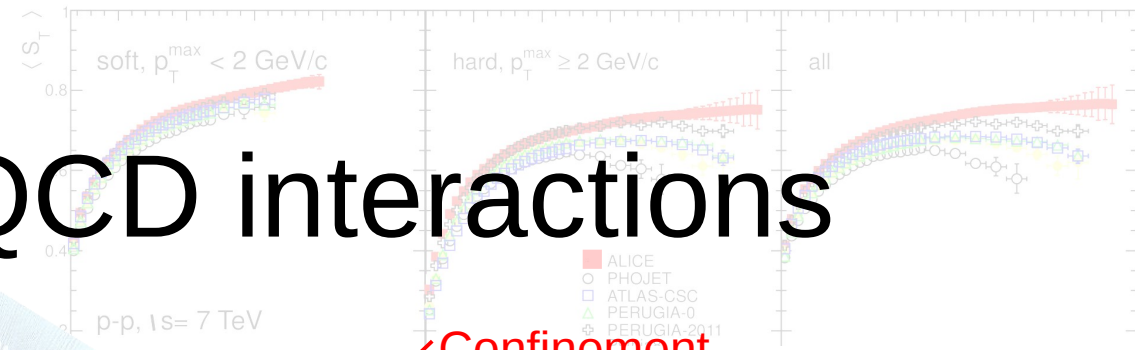


Here the main players are no longer forces of electromagnetic origin but the strong interaction, which is responsible for the binding of **quarks** and **gluons** into hadrons. In the standard model of particle physics, the strong interaction is described by quantum chromodynamics (QCD).

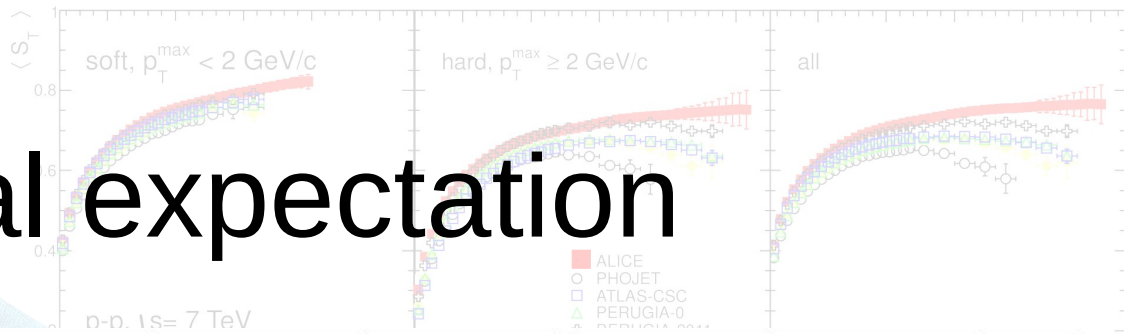
# Strenght of QCD interactions

- In QCD, quarks and gluons are the elementary degrees of freedom.
- Quarks and gluons carry “color charge” as an additional quantum number.
- A pronounced variation (“running”) of the strong fine structure constant with (space-time) distance or momentum transfer  $Q$ .

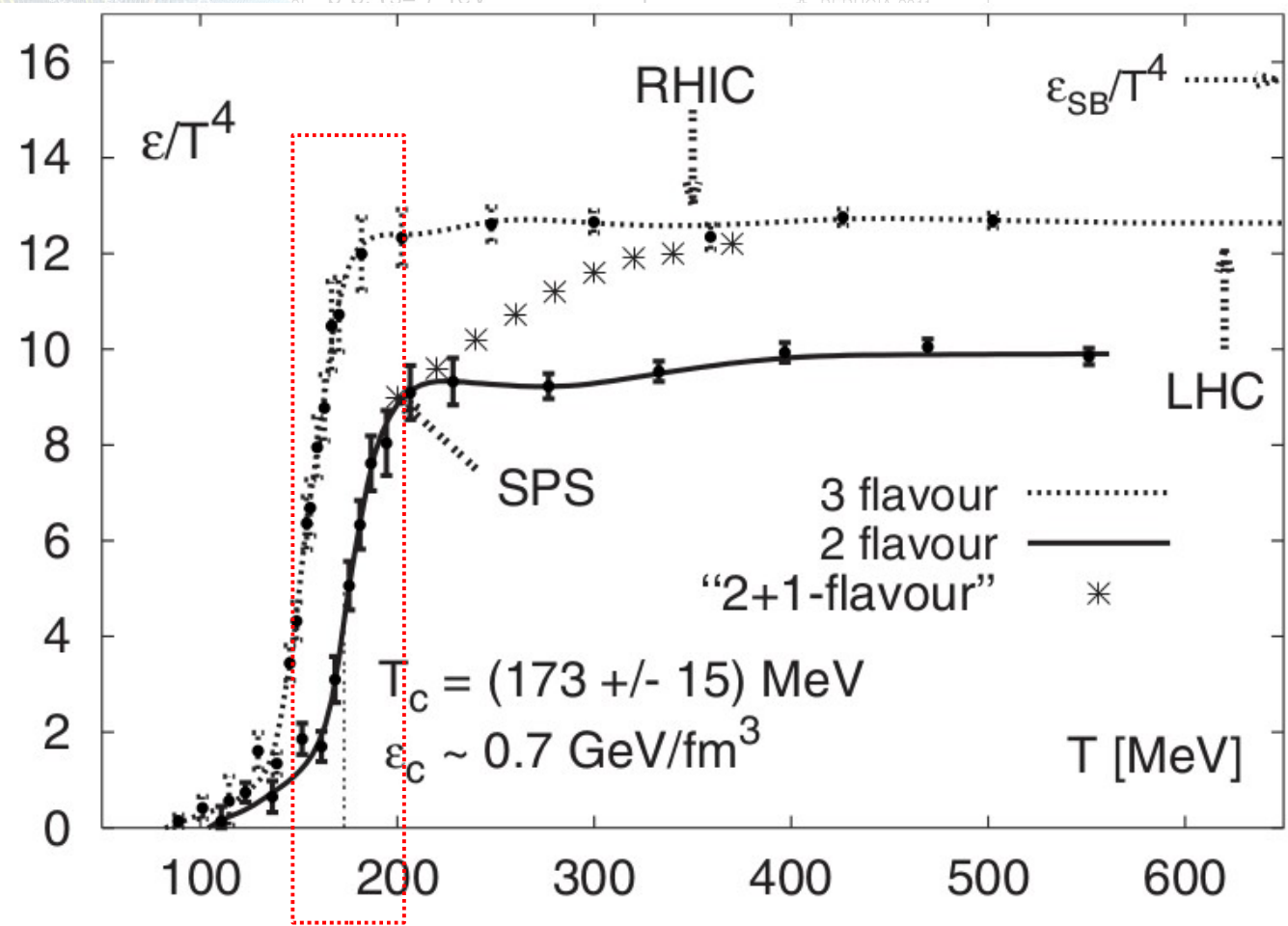
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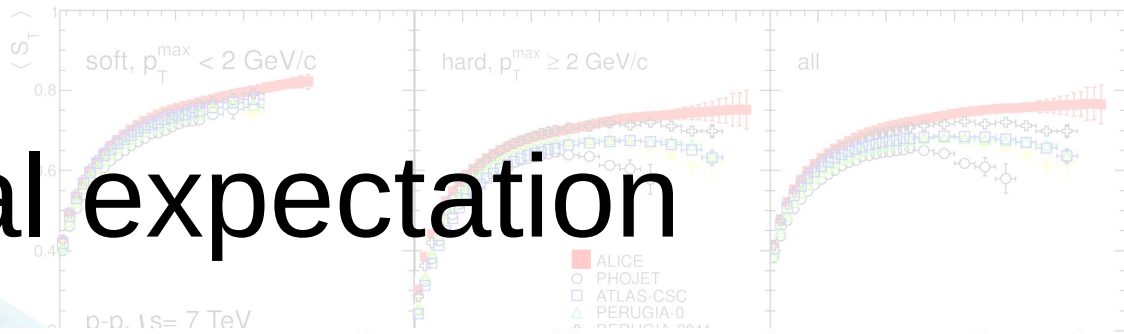
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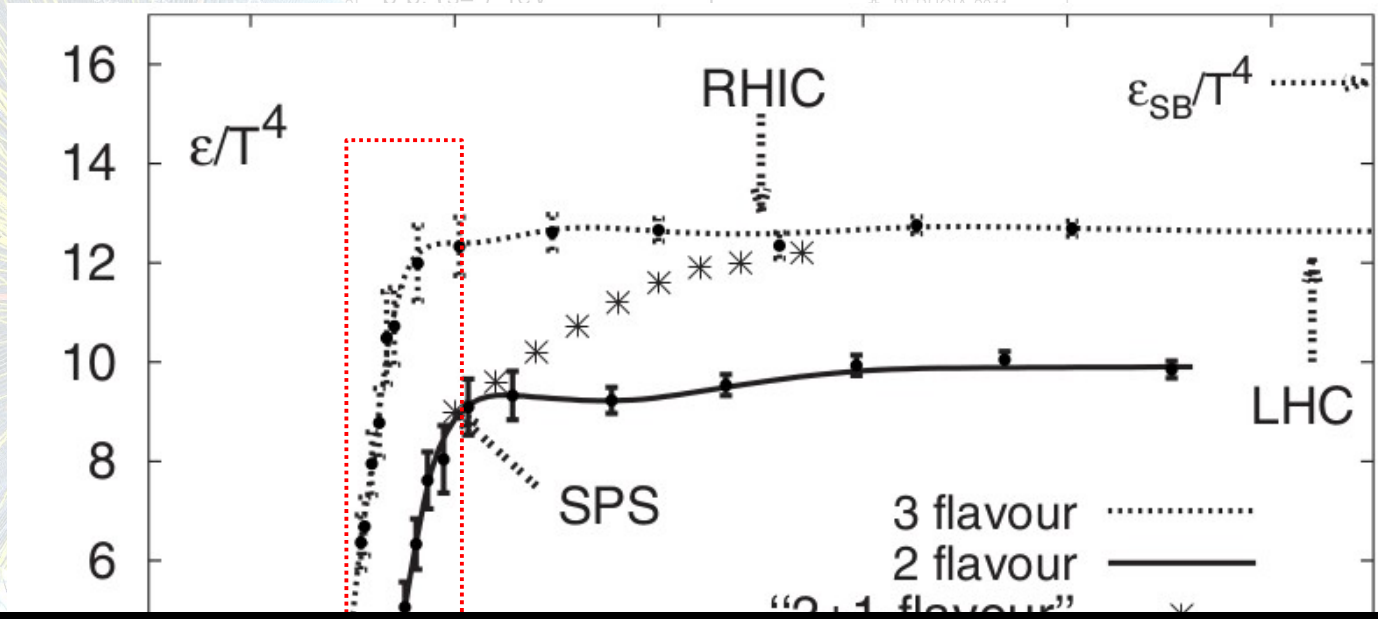
*Rapid variation which signals the transition from hadronic matter to the Quark Gluon "Plasma" (QGP).*

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'State of matter' at high temperature and energy density: 'The QGP'

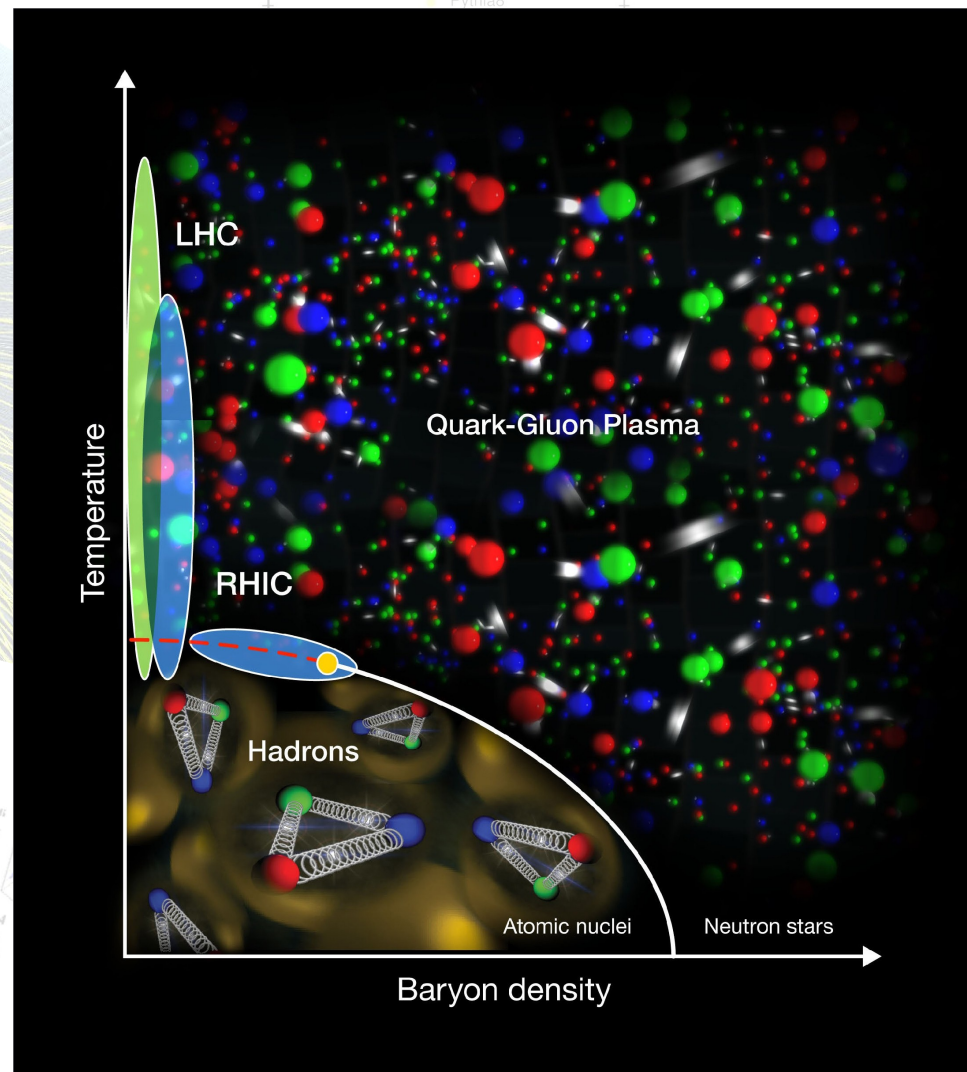
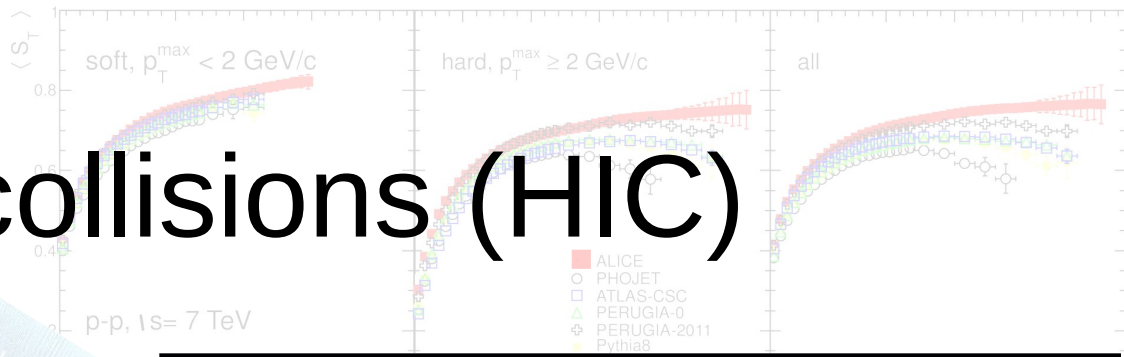
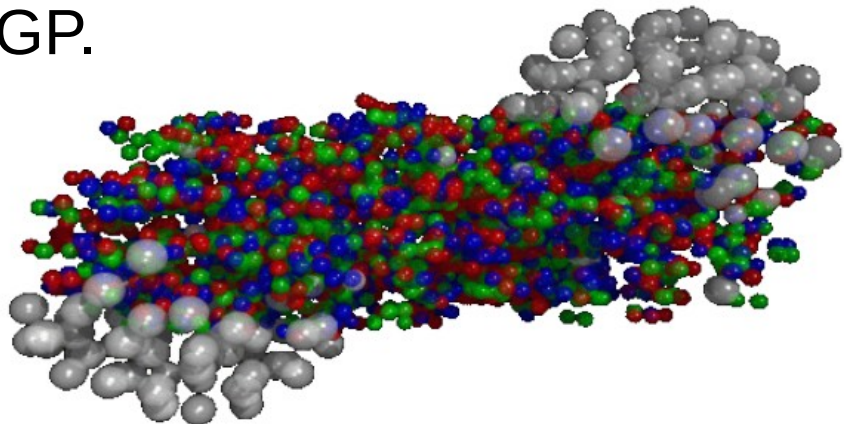
⇒ **theoretical** expectations & predictions :

- ★ **weakly interacting plasma** / ideal gas of (quasi-free) quarks & gluons
- ★ partons are **deconfined** (not bound into composite color neutral hadrons)
- ★ **chiral symmetry** is restored (partons ≈ massless)

⇒ **experimental** definition

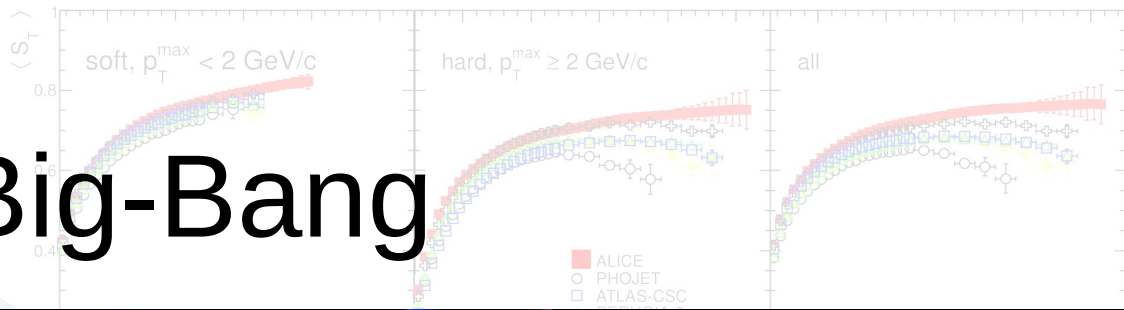
# Heavy ion collisions (HIC)

The main goal of Heavy Ion Collisions is to study the behavior of matter under extreme condition, to explore and test QCD phase diagram and to address the fundamental question of **hadron confinement and chiral symmetry breaking**, which are related to the existence and properties of the QGP.

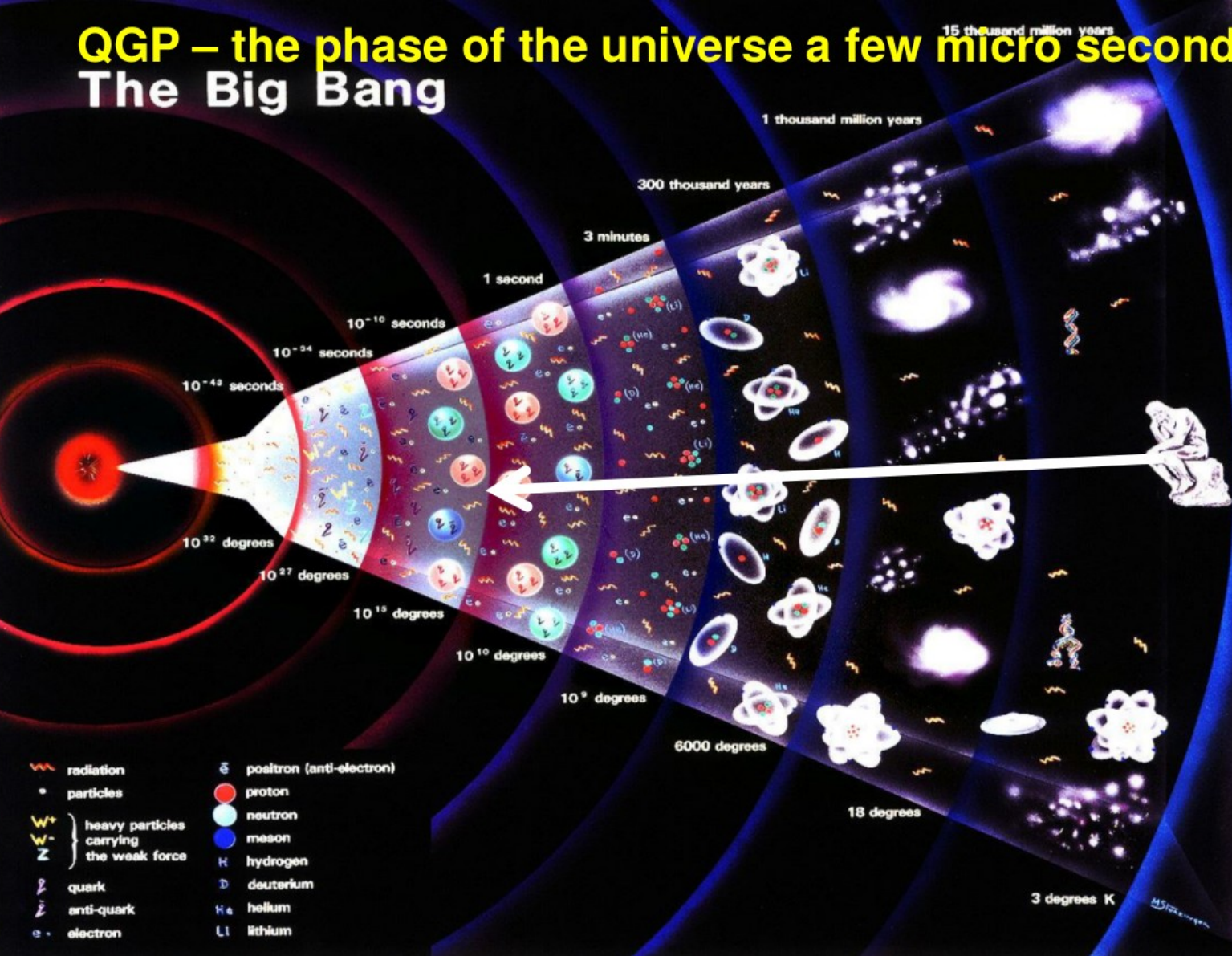




# The Big-Bang



## QGP – the phase of the universe a few micro seconds after The Big Bang

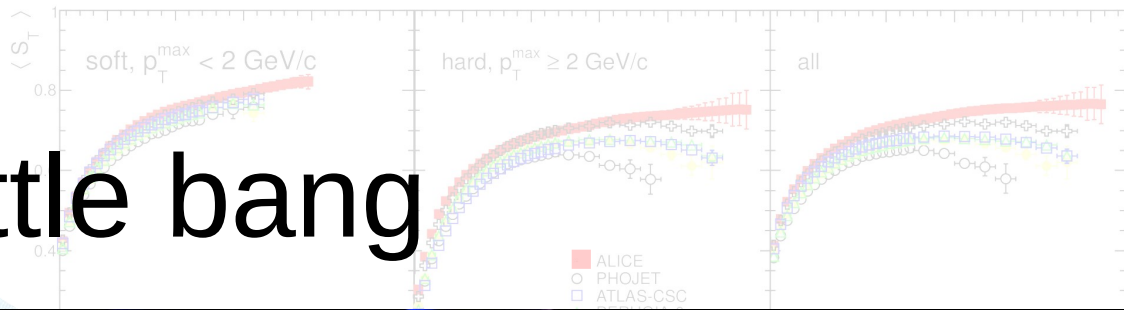


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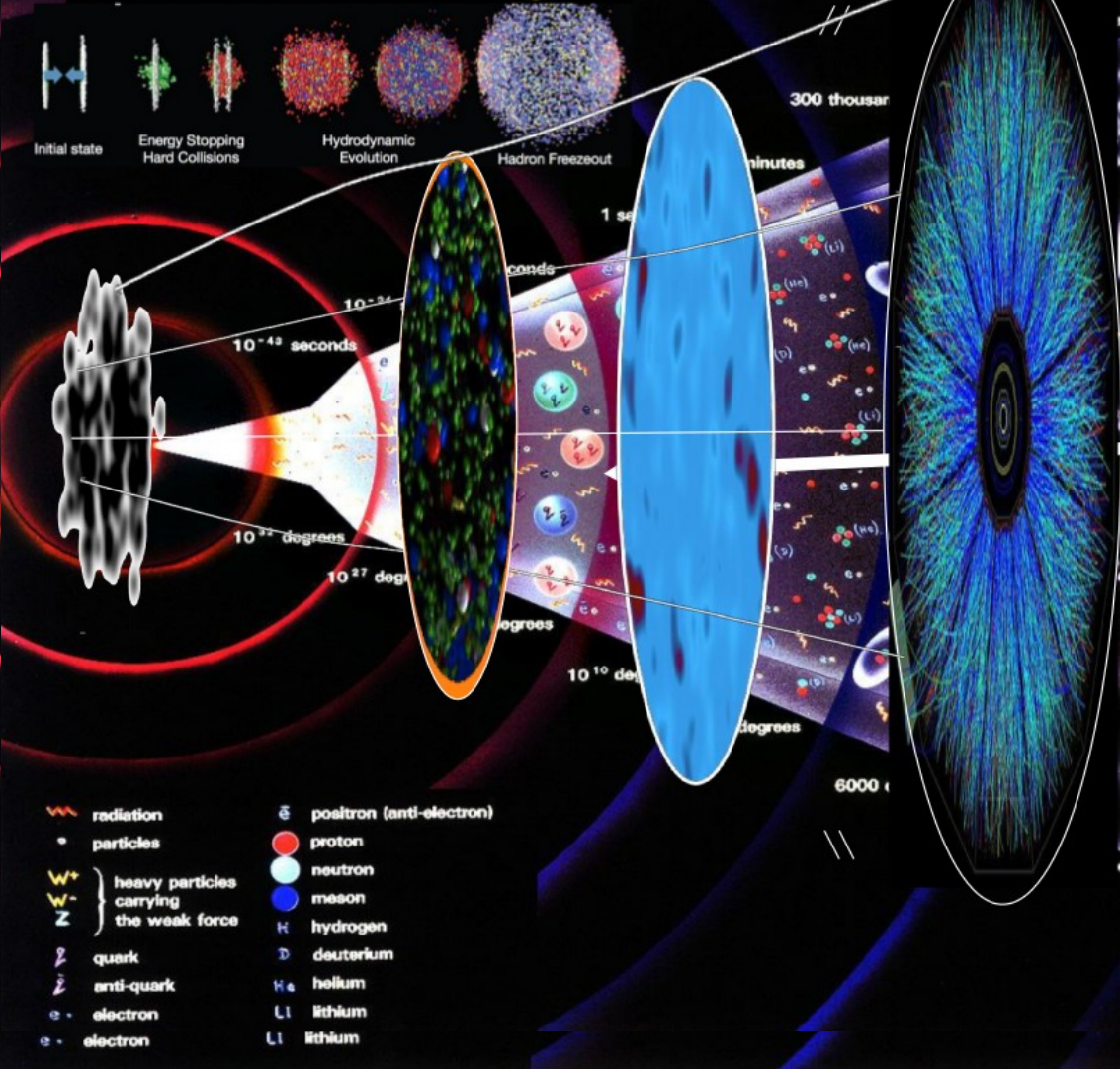
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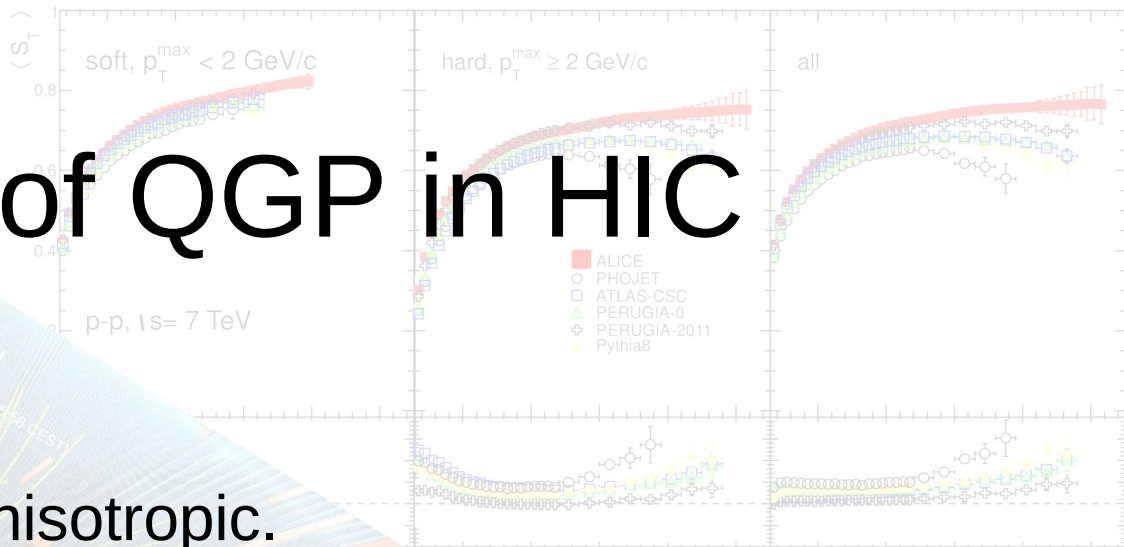


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- How?**
- Heavy ion collisions (hot and dense QCD matter), at the LHC:  $\text{Pb-Pb } \sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$ .
  - Control experiment: p-Pb (access to cold nuclear matter effects, initial state effects and much more...).
  - pp collisions are the benchmark for larger systems.

# Signatures of QGP in HIC

- Collective flow: radial and anisotropic.
- Long-range angular correlations due to the hydrodynamical evolution of the medium.
- Enhanced production of strange and charm from QGP.
- Suppression of high  $p_T$  hadrons due to the energy loss of partons in the medium.
- Modification of the mass and width of the light vector mesons due to the chiral symmetry restoration.
- Enhancement of the thermal photons and dileptons due to the emission from the plasma.

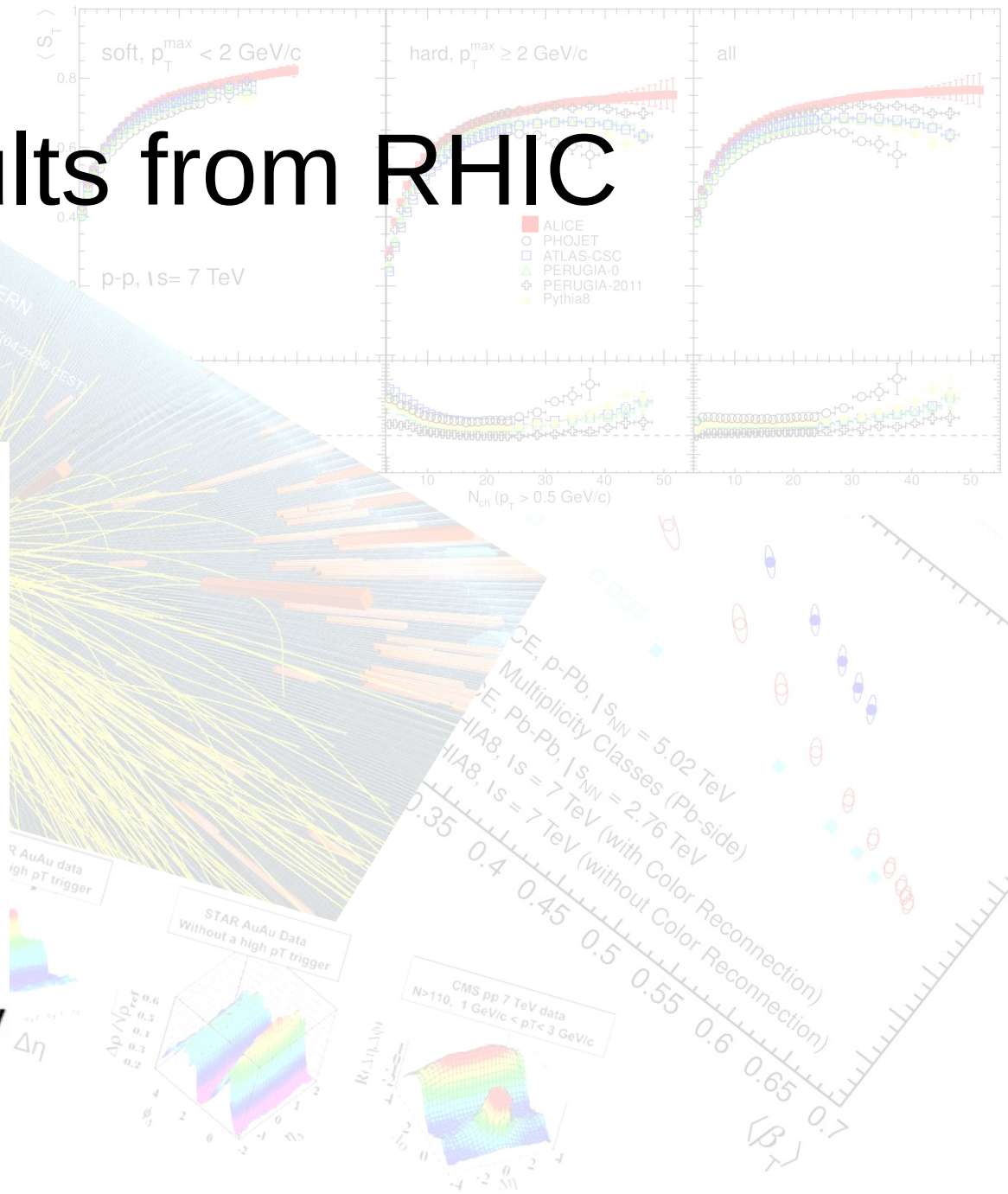
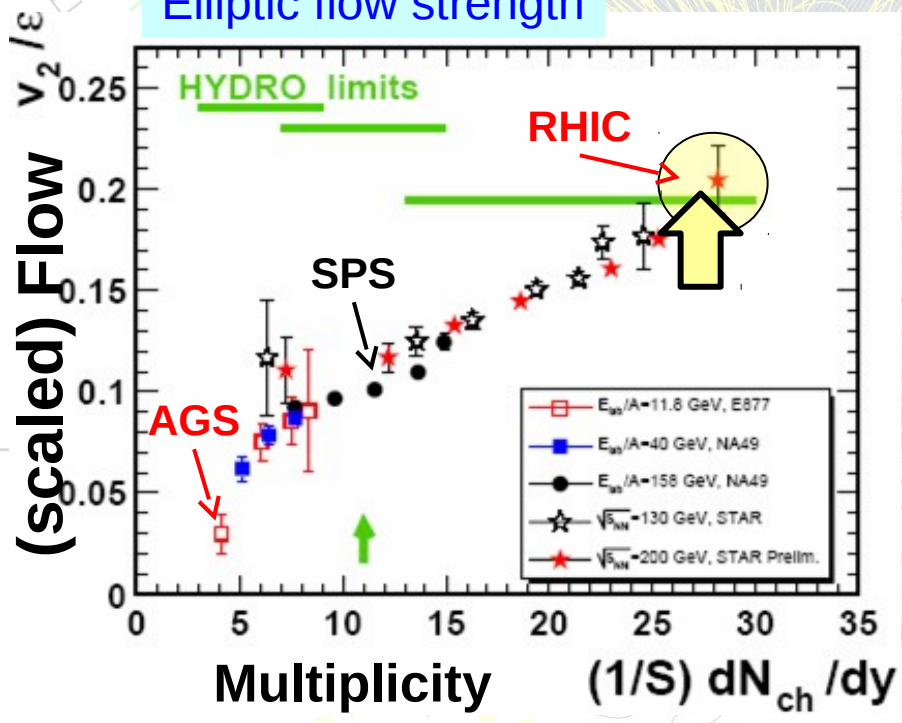


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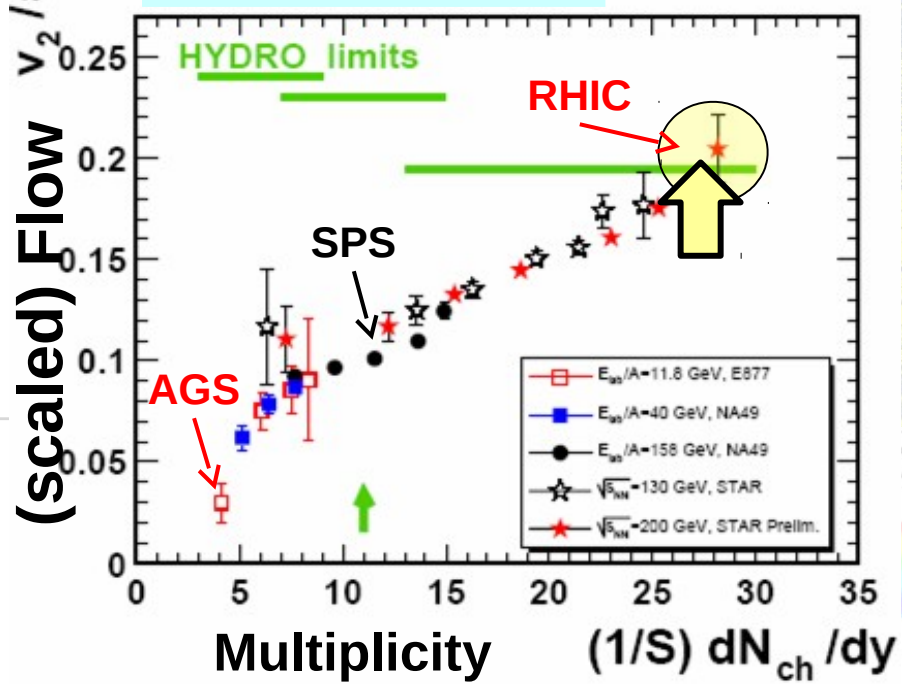


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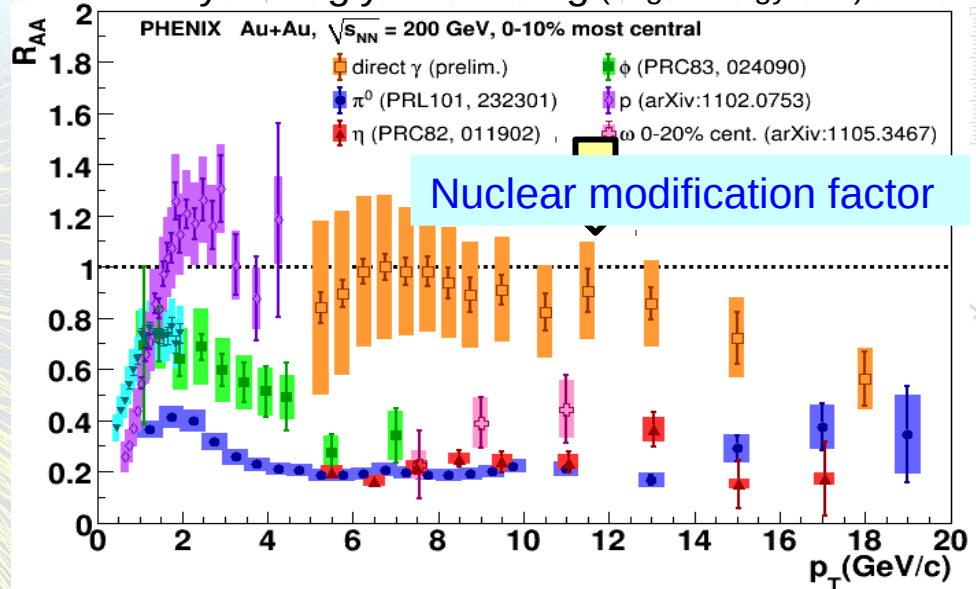
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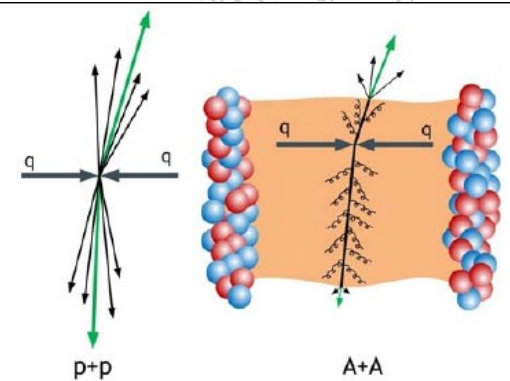
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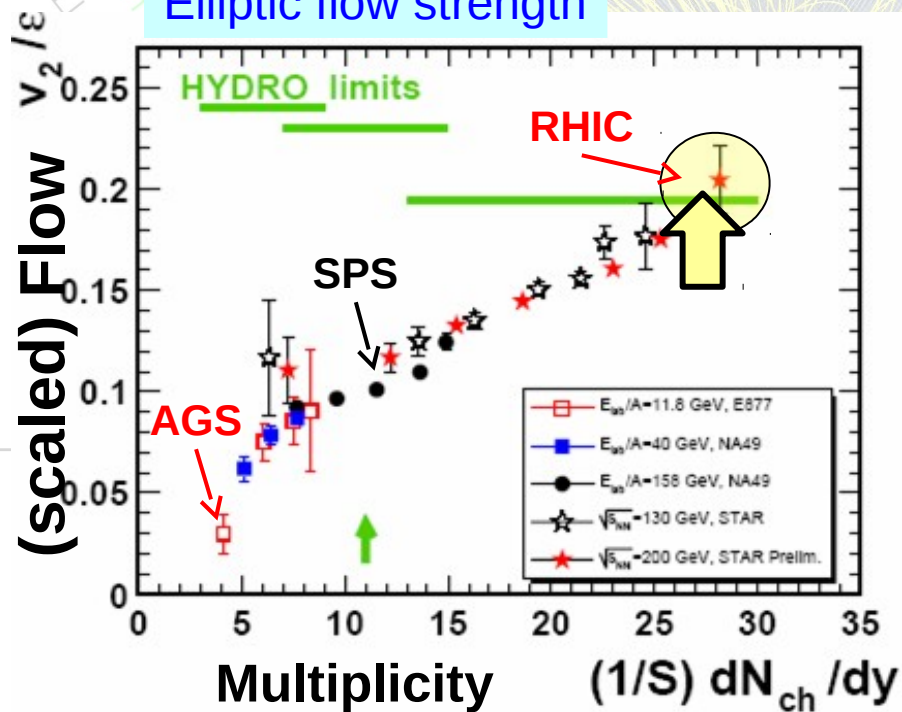
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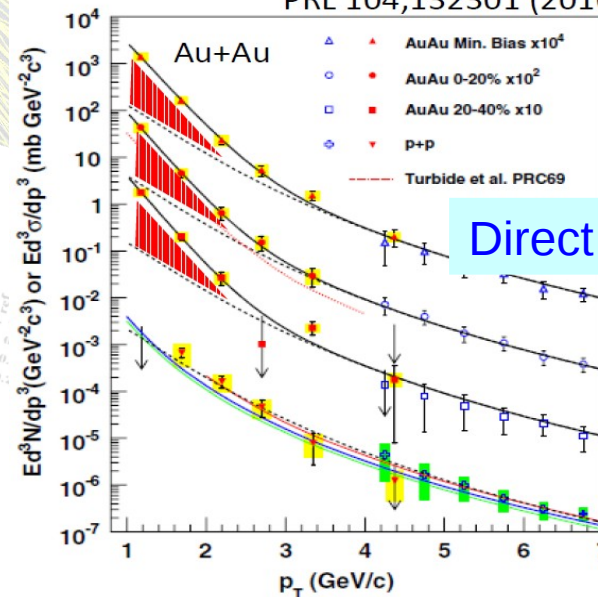
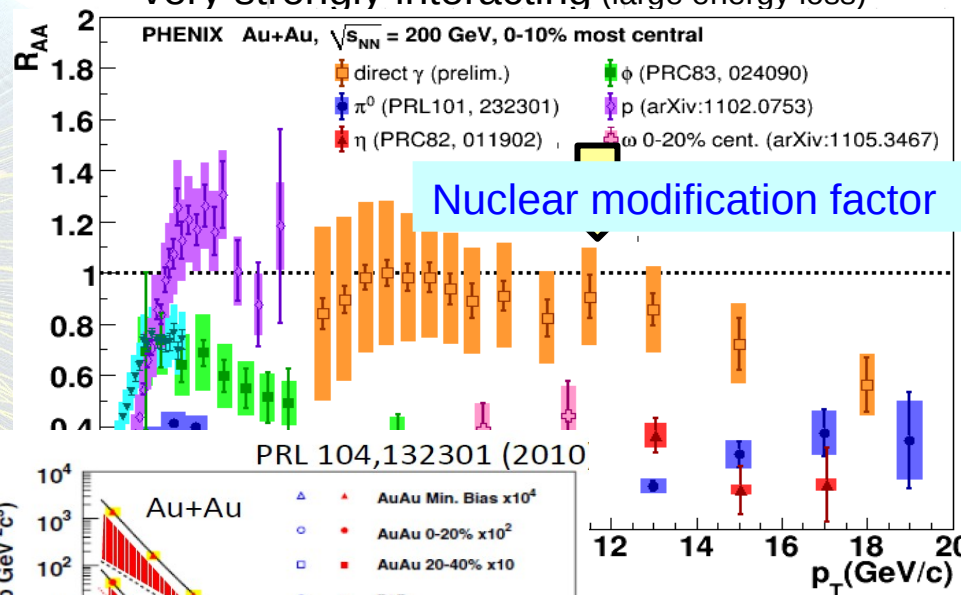
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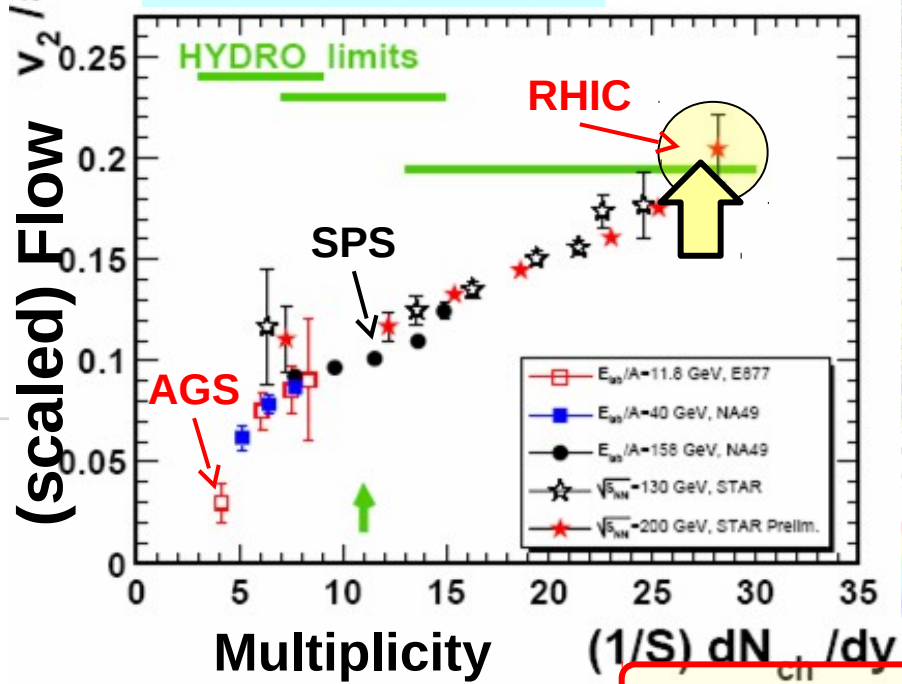


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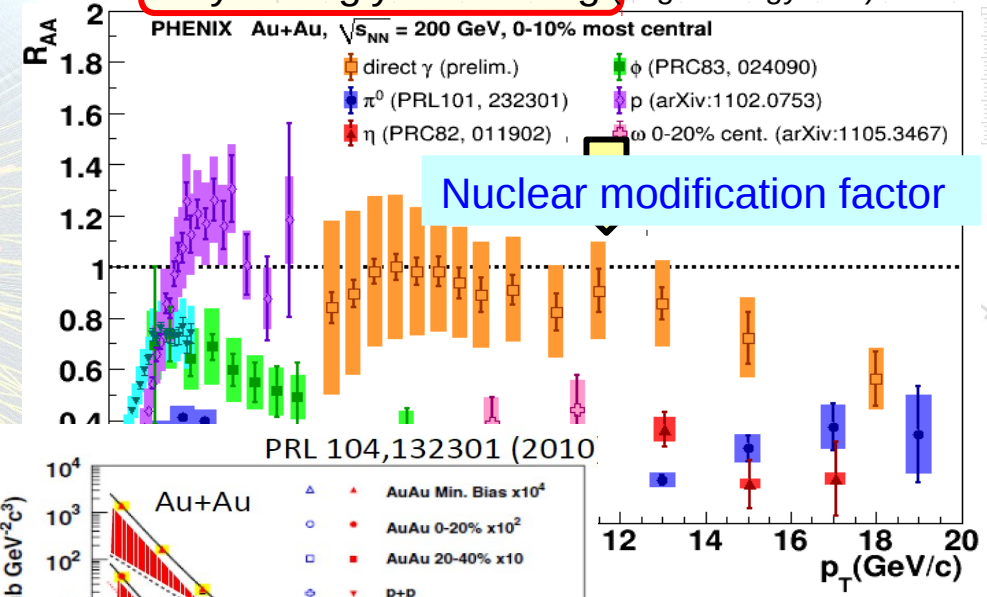


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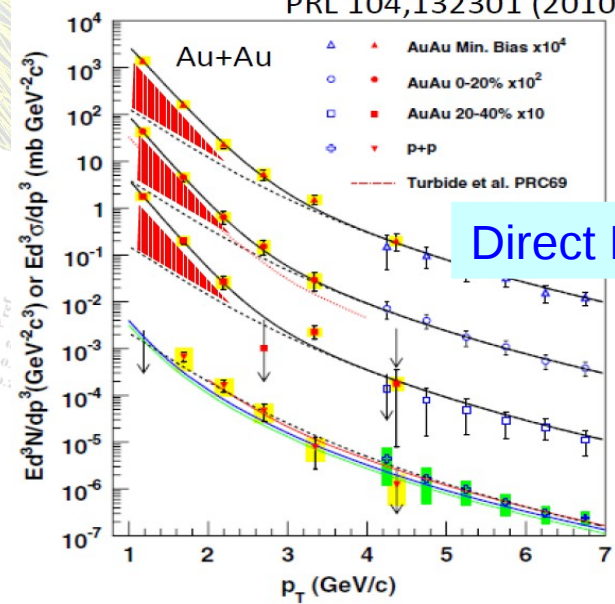
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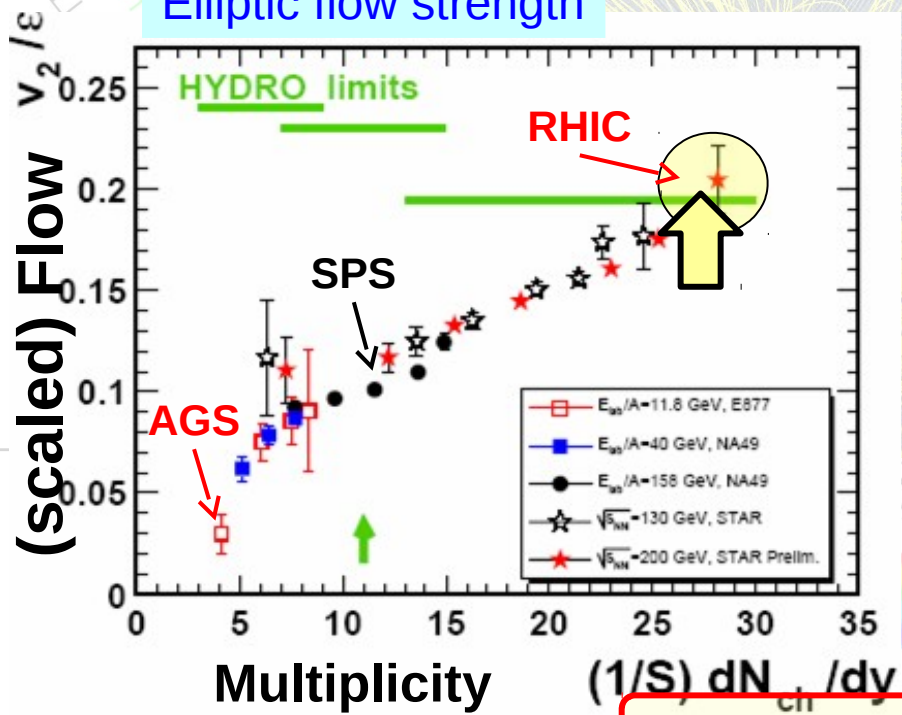


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Experimental and theoretical challenges in the search for the quark–gluon plasma: The STAR Collaboration’s critical assessment of the evidence from RHIC collisions

### Abstract

We review the most important experimental results from the first three years of nucleus–nucleus collision studies at RHIC, with emphasis on results from the STAR experiment, and we assess their interpretation and comparison to theory. The theory–experiment comparison suggests that central

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**This is not the expected QGP, but a QGP: sQGP.**

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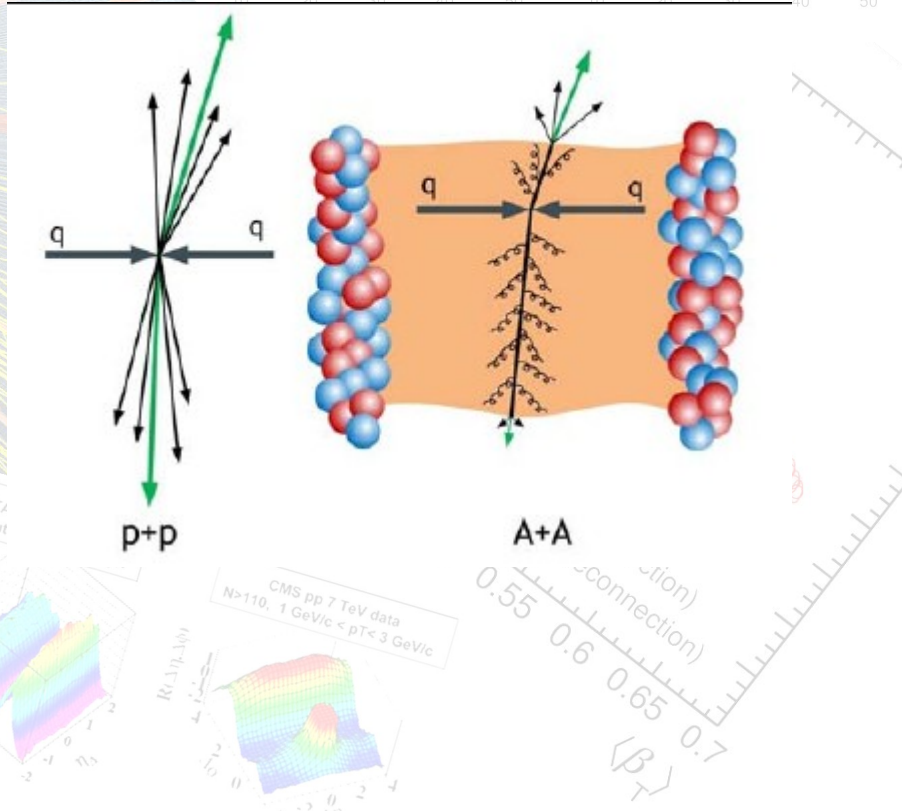
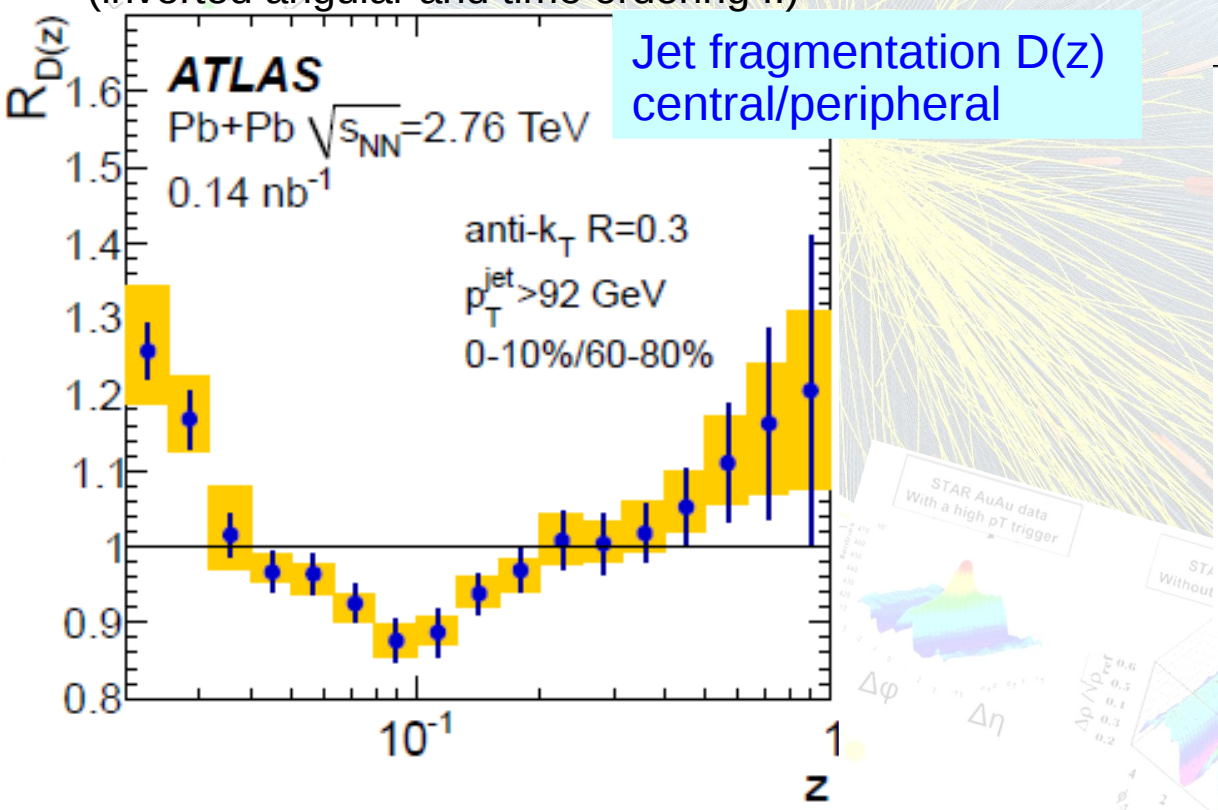
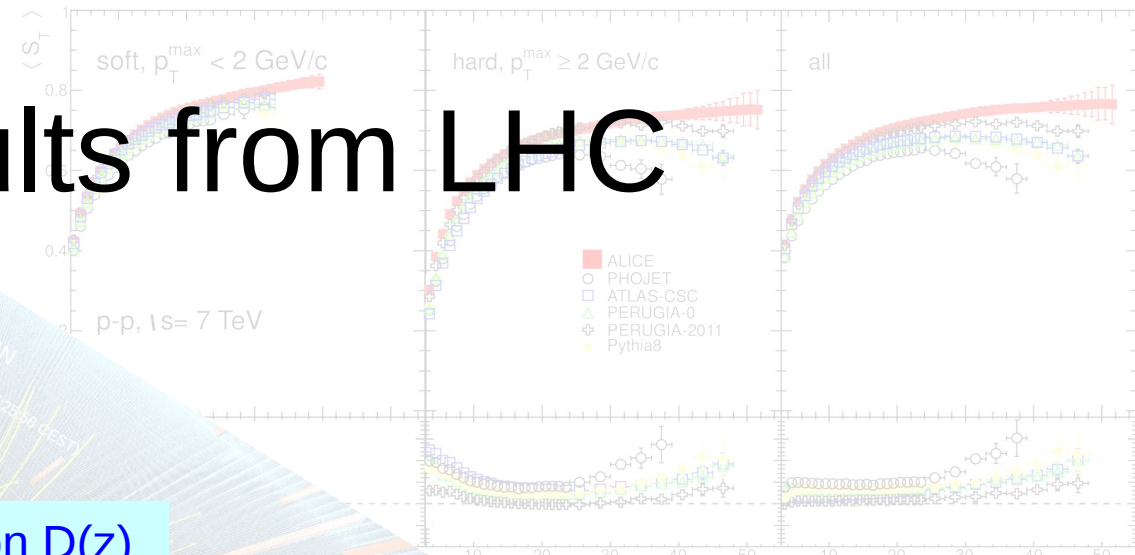
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Au + Au collisions at RHIC produce dense, rapidly thermalizing matter characterized by: (1) initial energy densities above the critical values predicted by lattice QCD for establishment of a quark–gluon plasma (QGP); (2) nearly ideal fluid flow, marked by constituent interactions of very short mean free path, established most probably at a stage preceding hadron formation; and (3) opacity to jets. Many of the observations are consistent with models incorporating QGP formation in the early collision stages, and have not found ready explanation in a hadronic framework. However, the measurements themselves do not yet establish unequivocal evidence for a transition to this new form of matter. The theoretical treatment of the collision evolution, despite impressive successes, invokes a suite of distinct models, degrees of freedom and assumptions of as yet unknown quantitative con-



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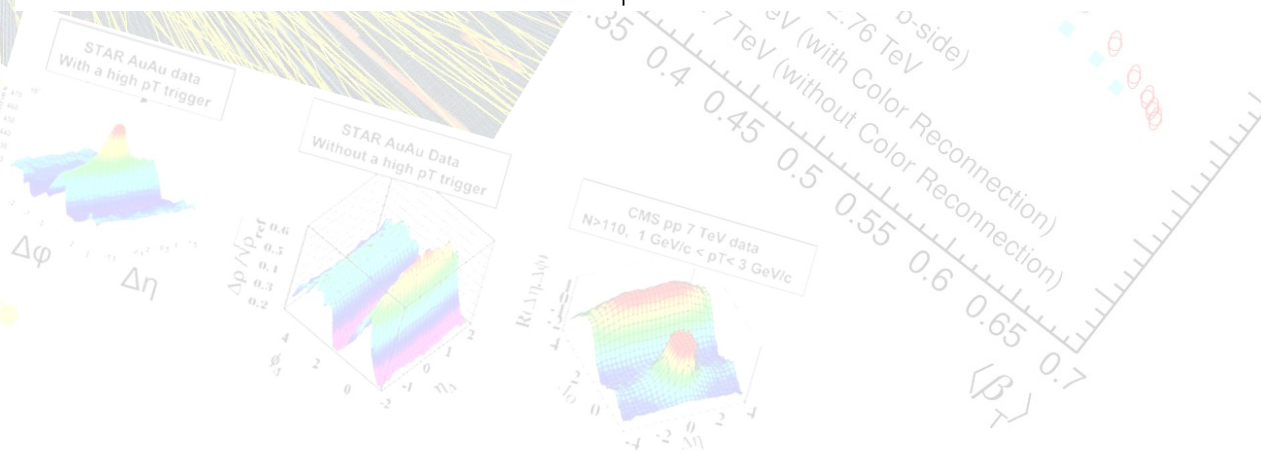
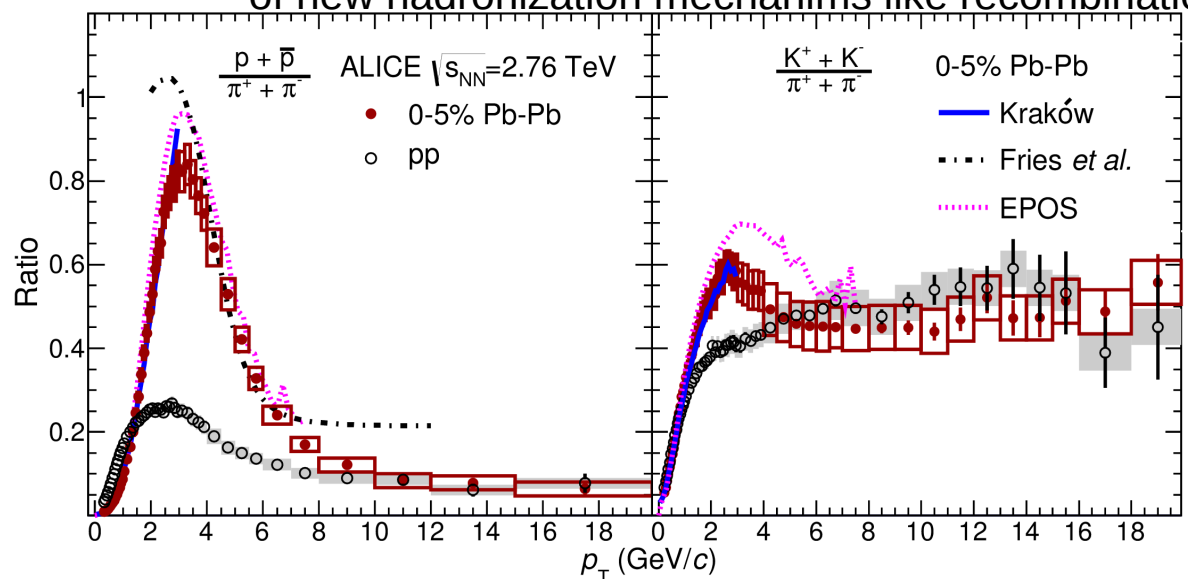
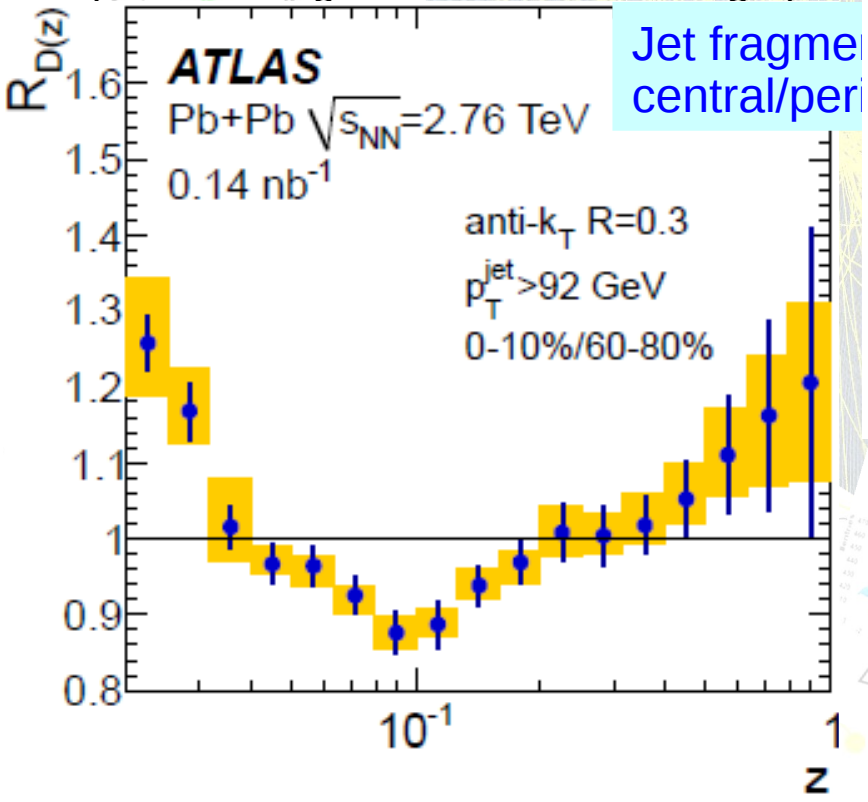


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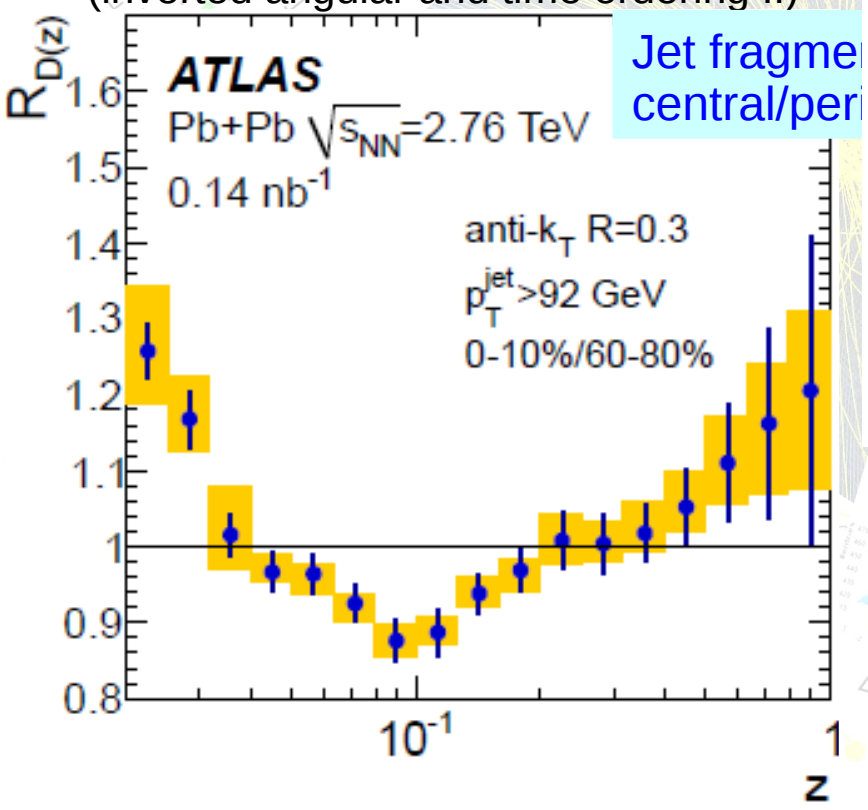
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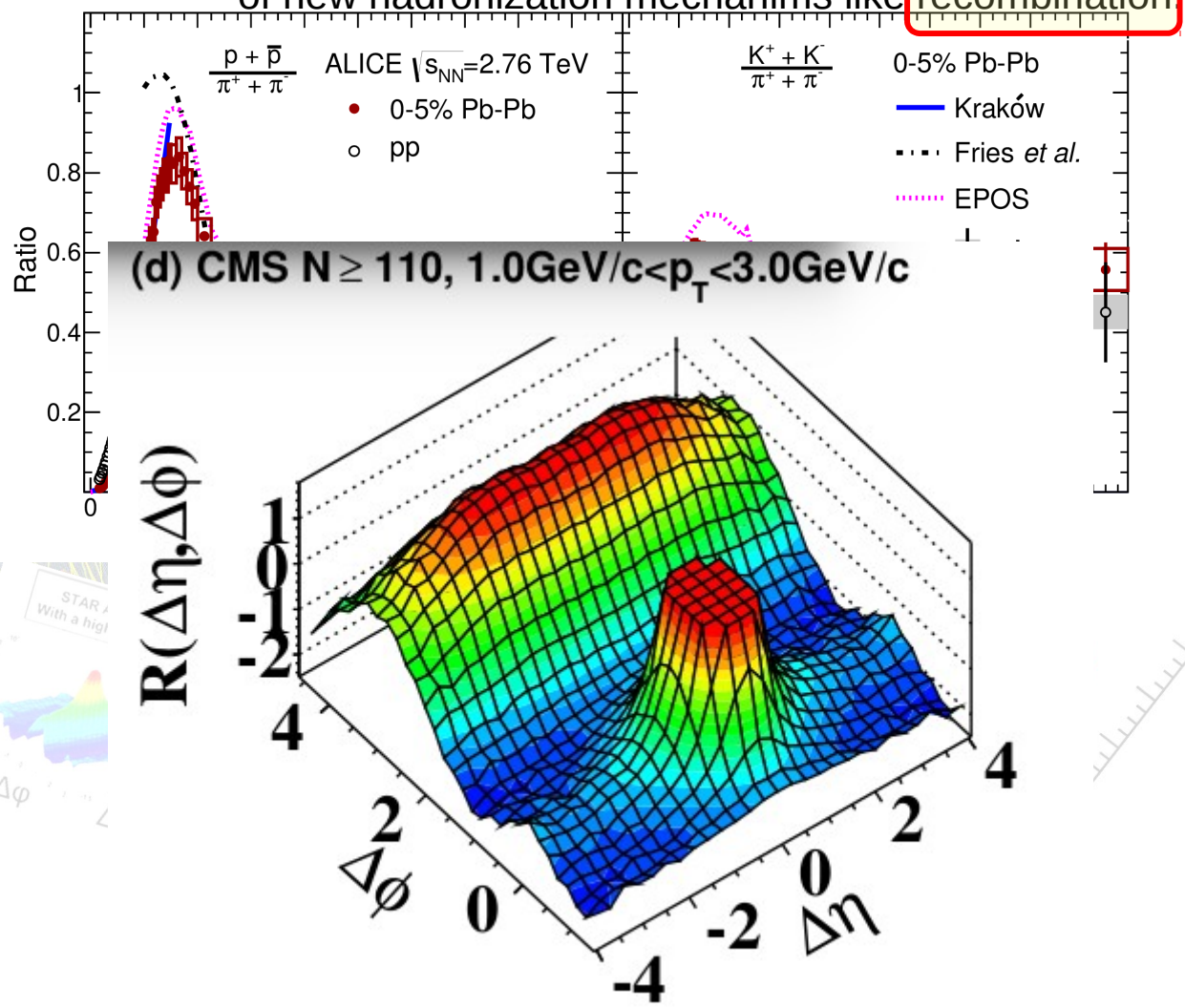
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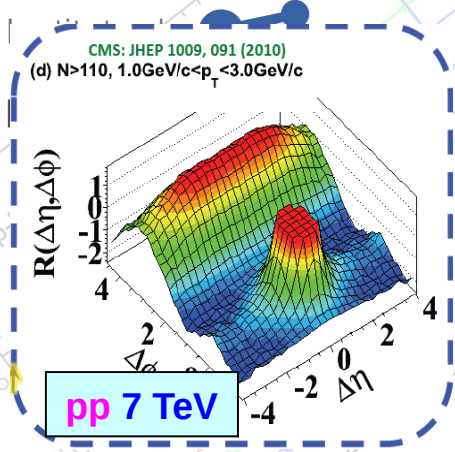
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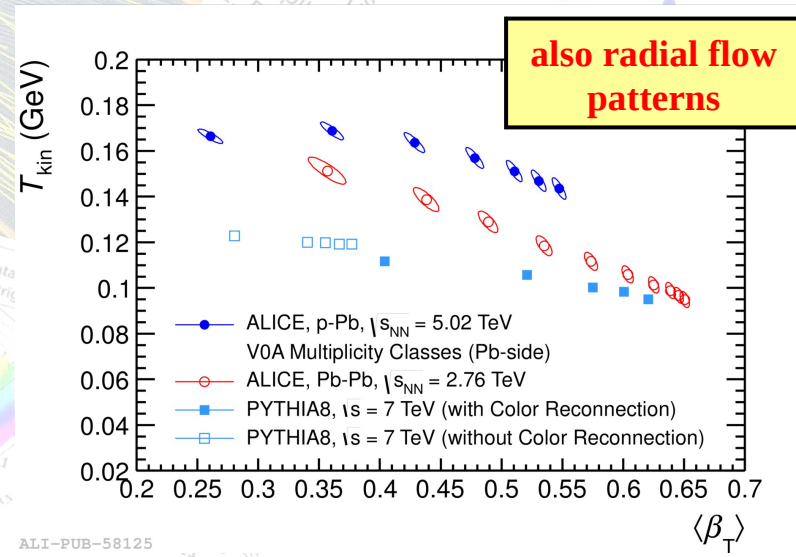
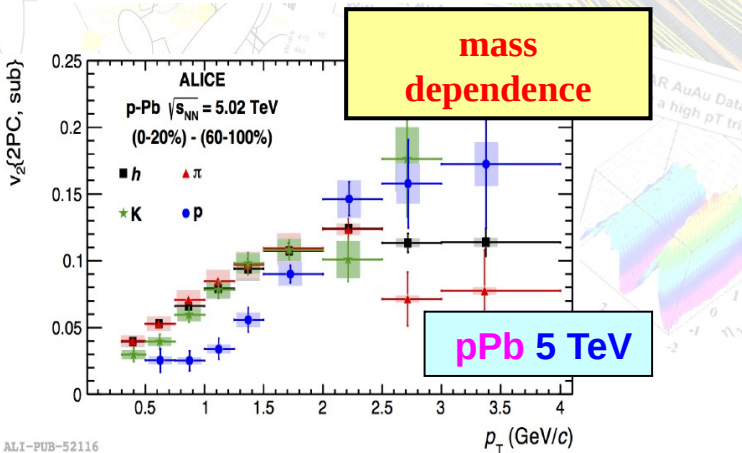
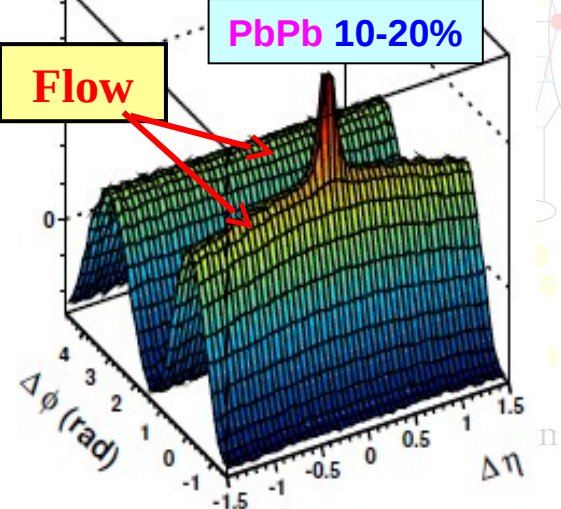
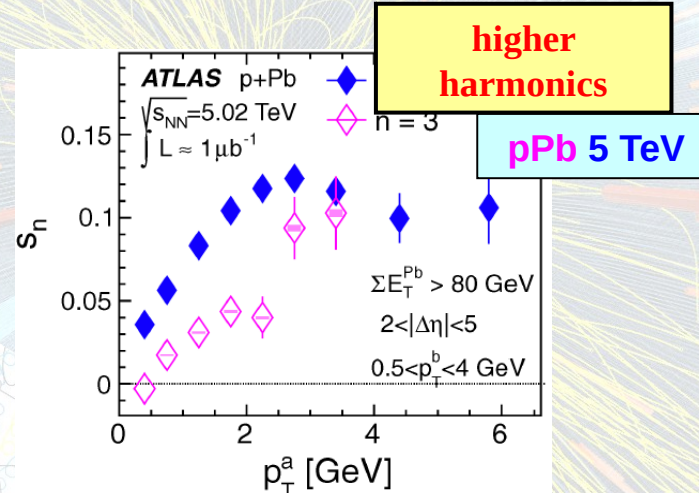
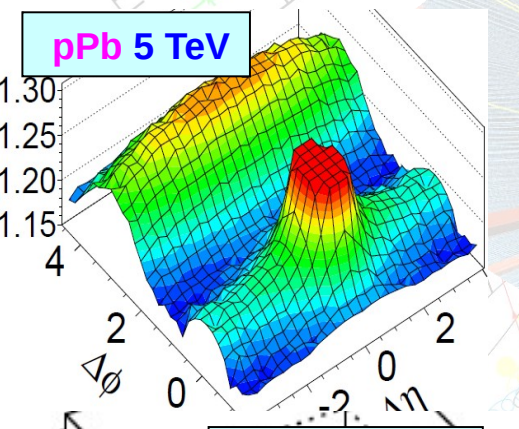
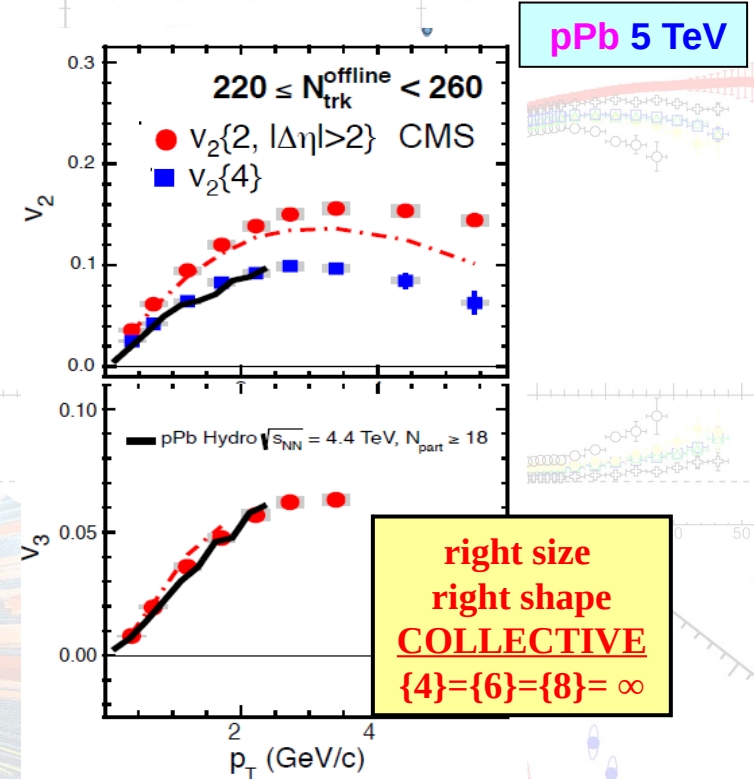
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- The first LHC discovery (2010)!



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- ▶ Two types of possible explanations are in the market: i) A medium is created and the system can be described with hydrodynamics. ii) A medium is not required: final state partonic interactions produce the effects (flow-like).
- ▶ However, the applicability of hydrodynamics in small systems is not easy to digest. Though, the calculations describe qualitatively well the features of data.
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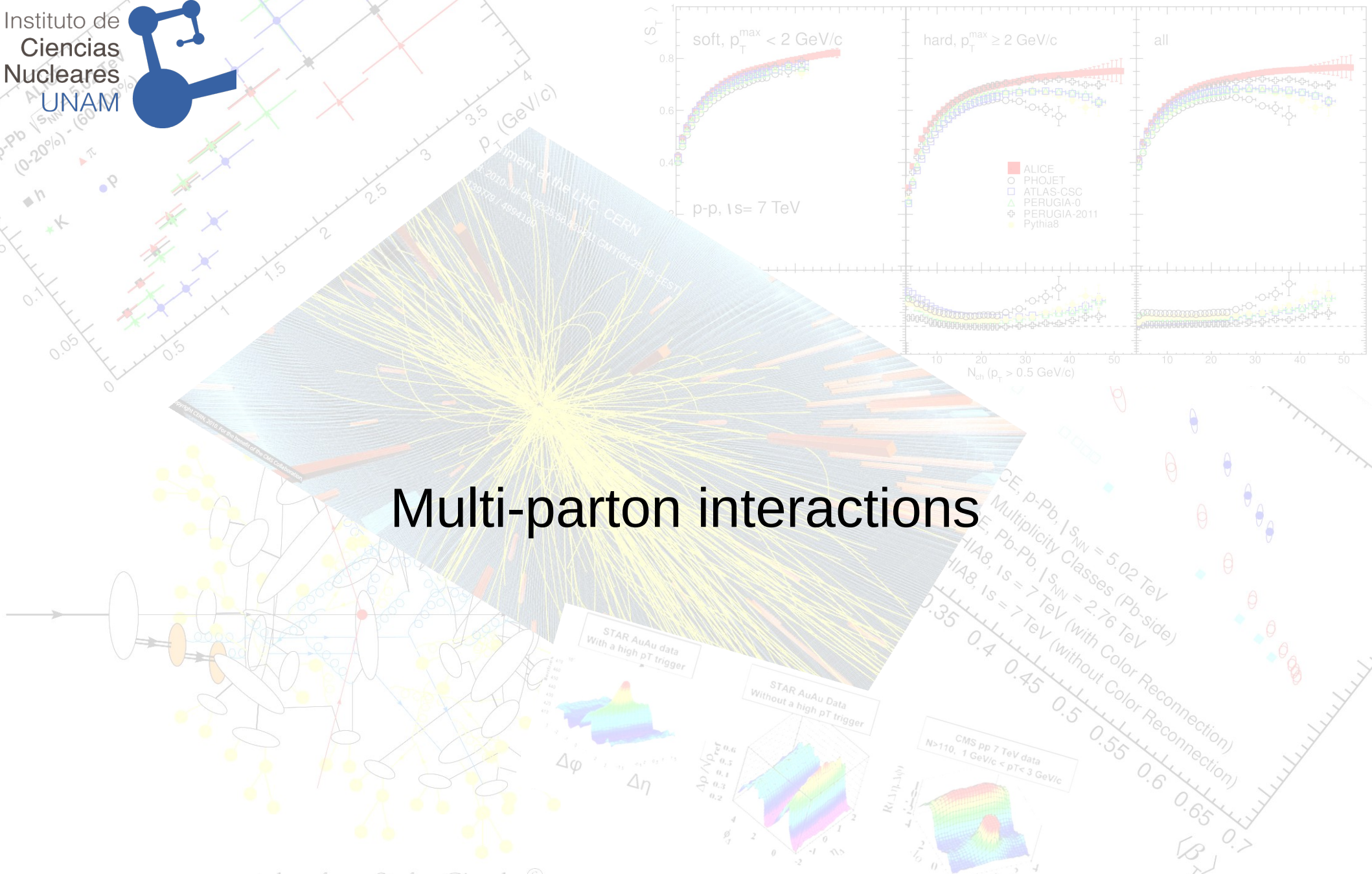
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**This talk: look for multi-parton interactions and color reconnection effects in data, specifically, study  $\langle p_T \rangle$  vs  $m$  and  $N_{ch}$ .**

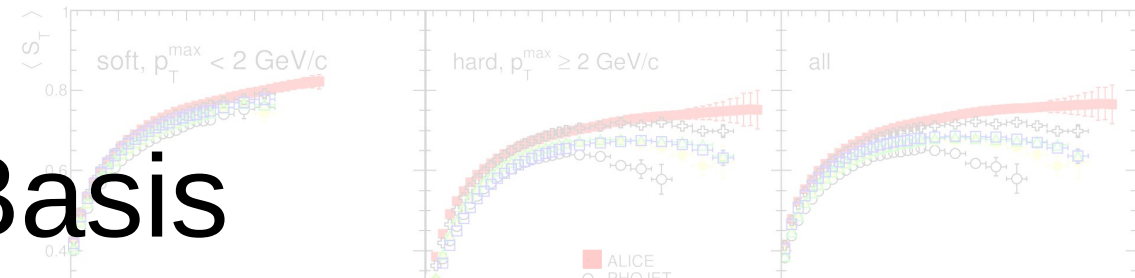
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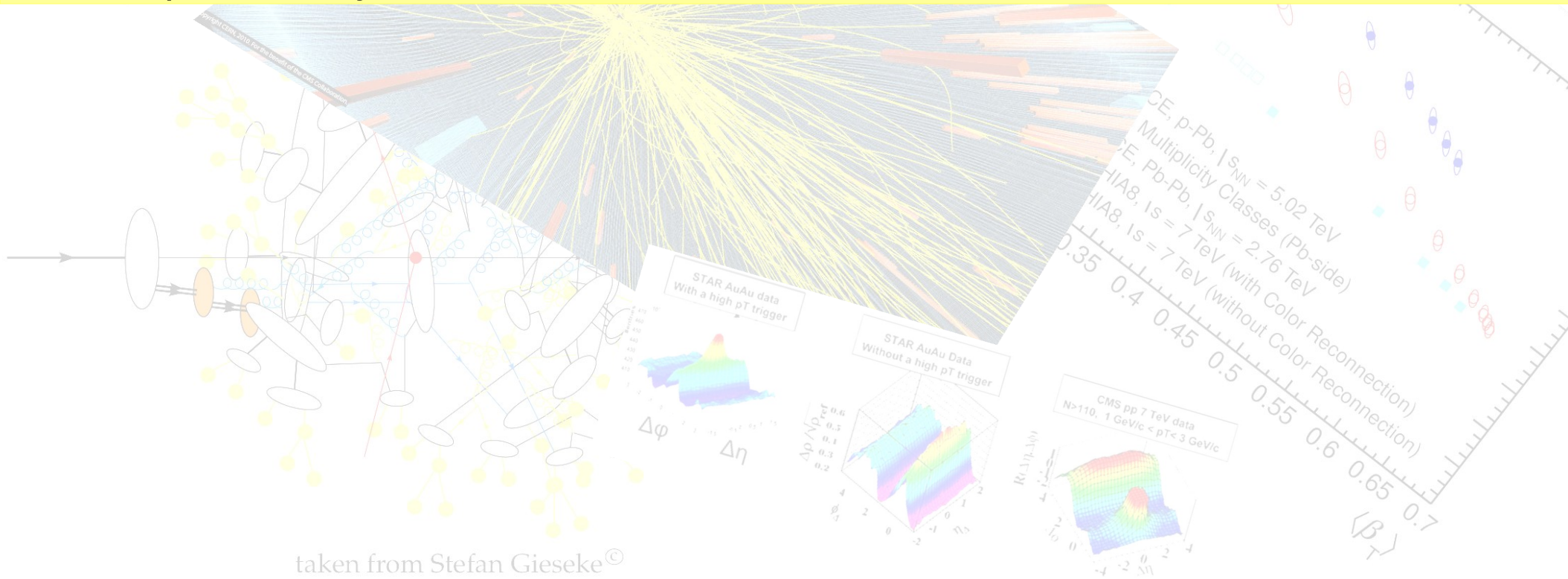
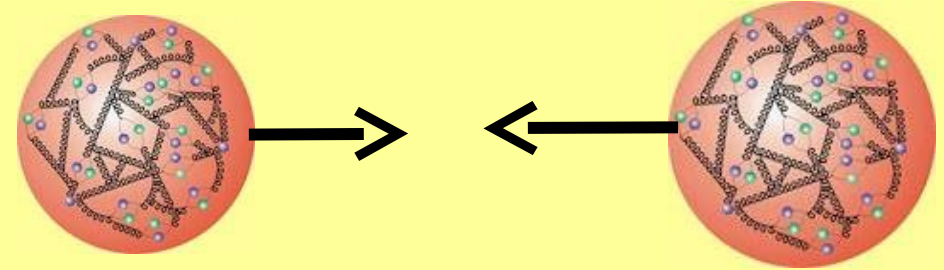


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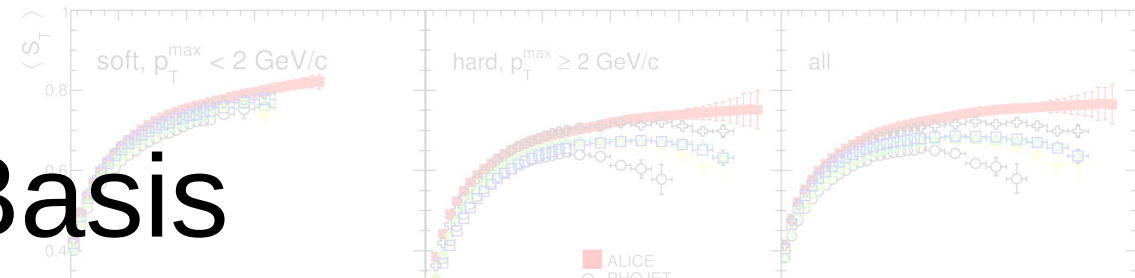


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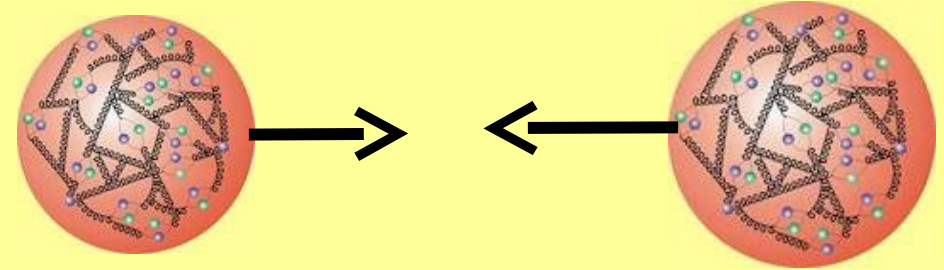




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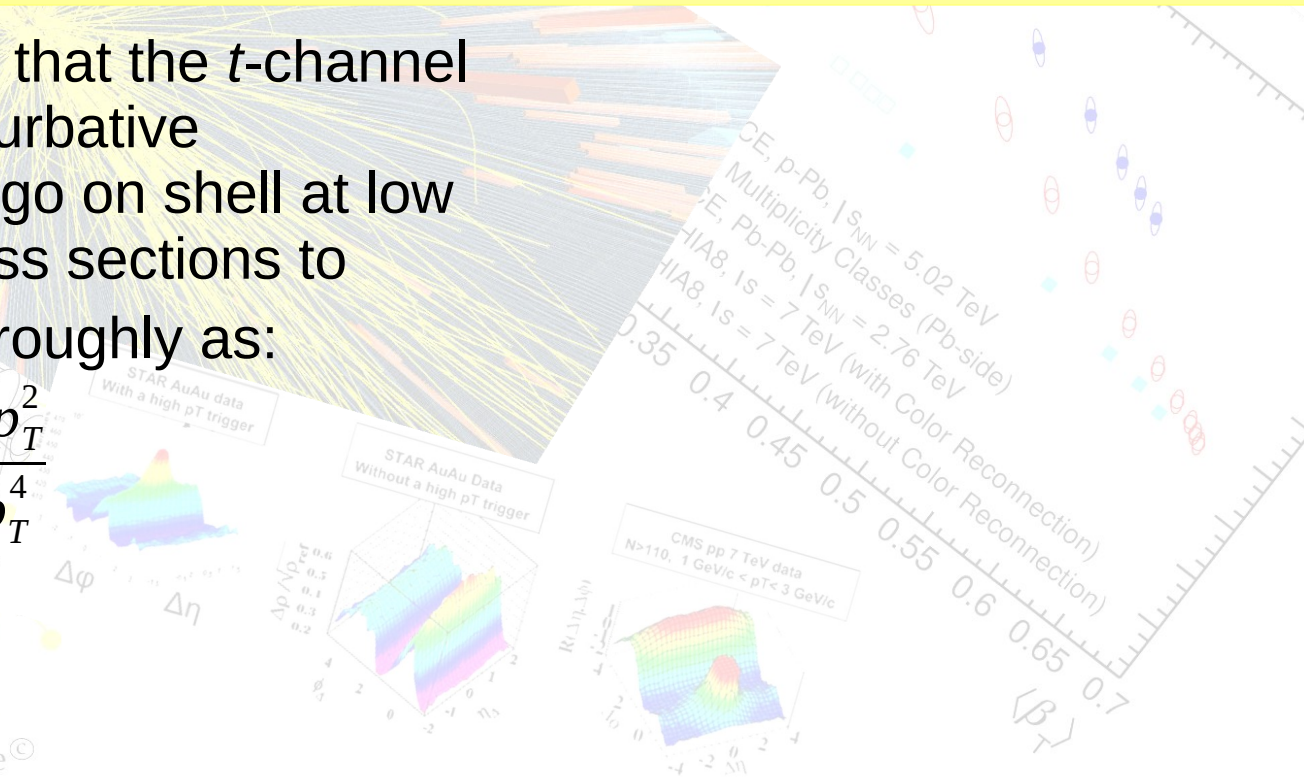
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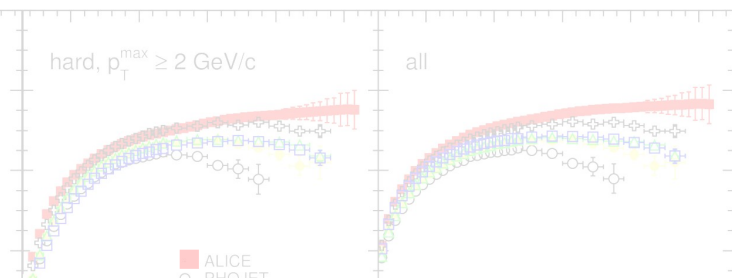
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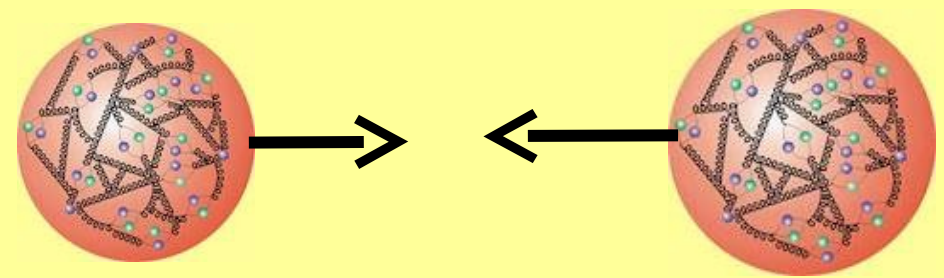




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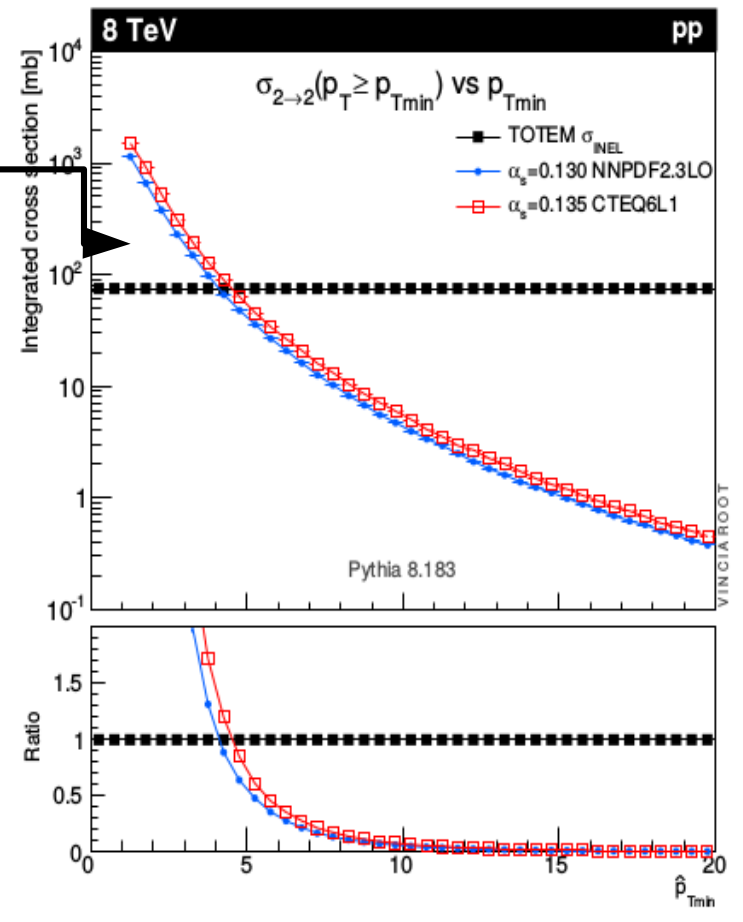


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At LHC energies, the parton-parton cross section becomes larger than the total hadron-hadron cross section at  $p_T$  scales of order 4-5 GeV.



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In the limit that all the partonic interactions are independent and equivalent, one would simply have a Poisson distribution in the number of MPI, with average:

$$\langle n \rangle(p_{Tmin}) = \frac{\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2}(p_{Tmin})}{\sigma_{tot}}$$

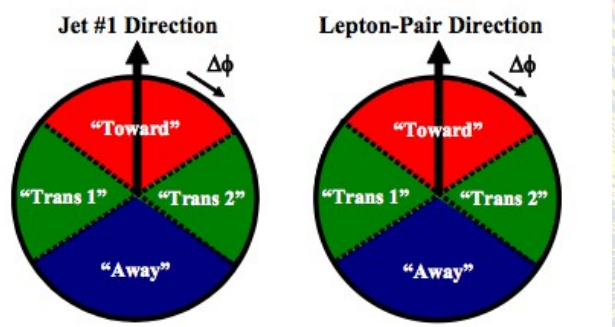
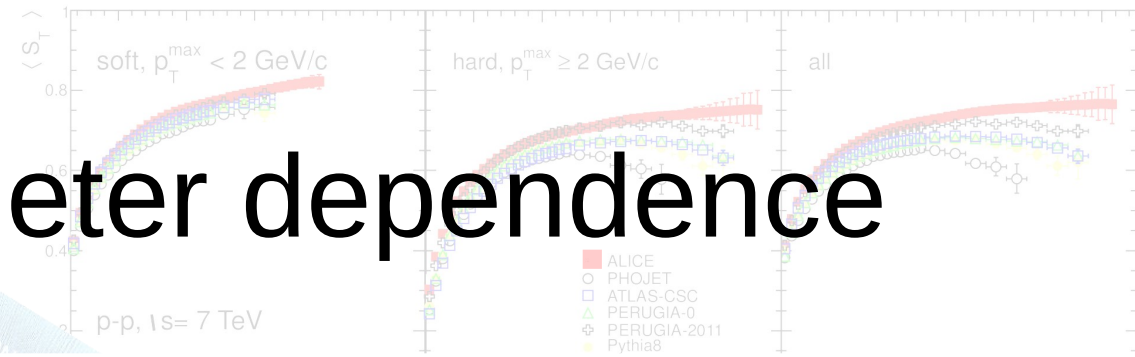
$\sigma_{tot}$  is the inelastic hadron-hadron cross section and  $p_{Tmin}$  is a lower cutoff scale.

Some considerations:

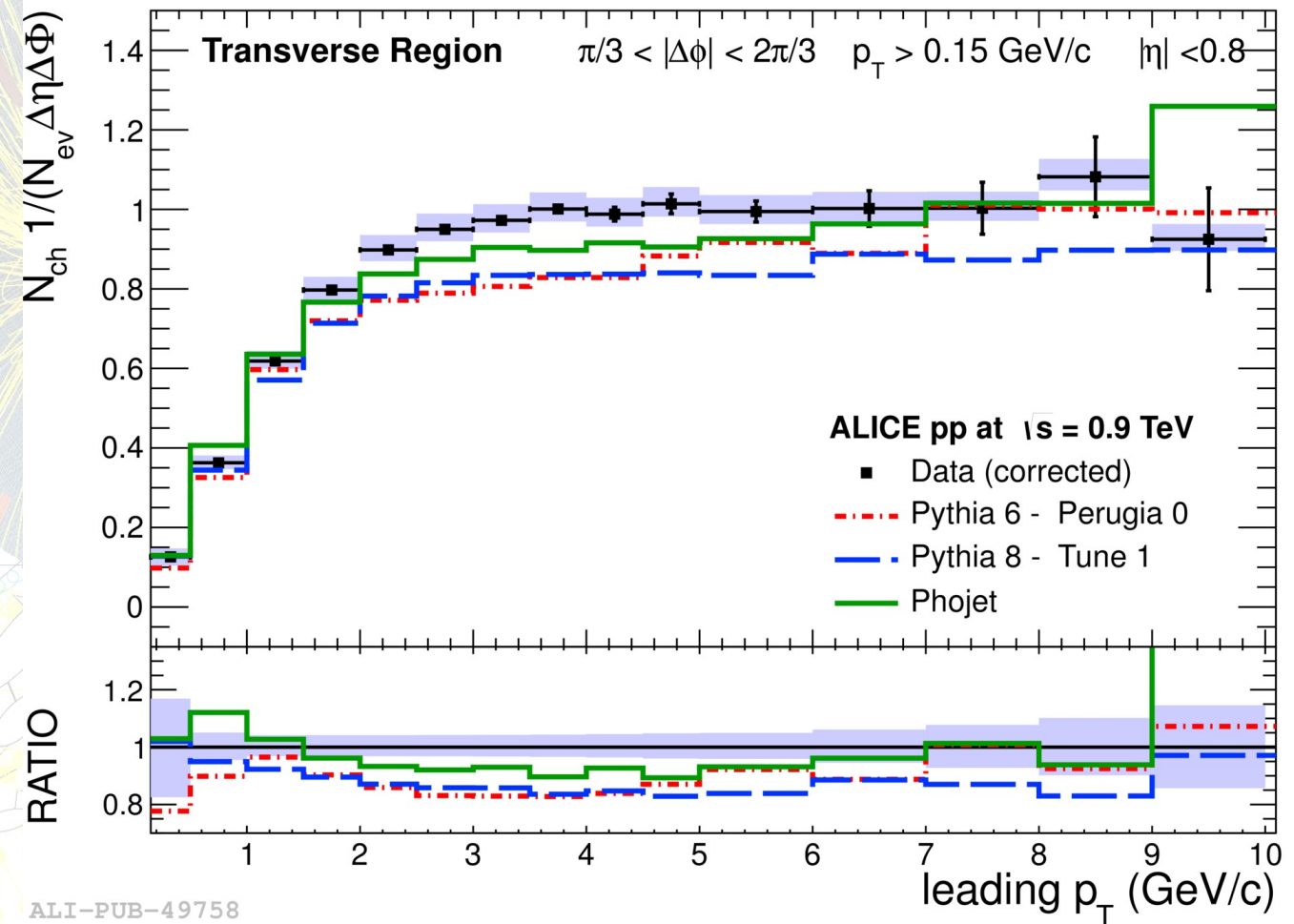
- The interactions can not use up more momentum than is available in the parent hadron.
- In Pythia-based models, the MPI are ordered in  $p_T$ , and the parton densities for each successive interaction are explicitly constructed so that the sum of x fractions can never be greater than one.

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# Impact-parameter dependence



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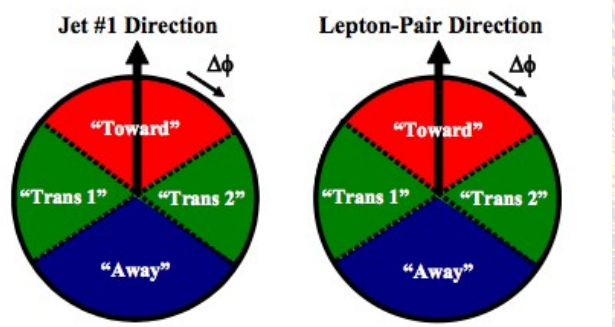
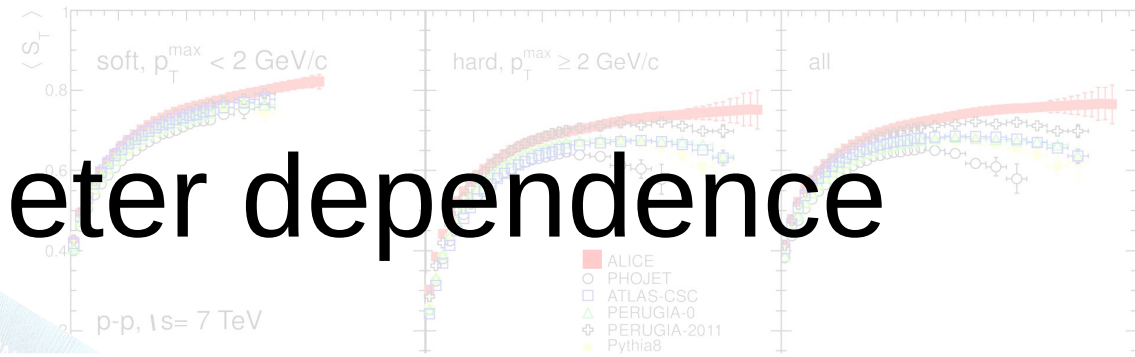


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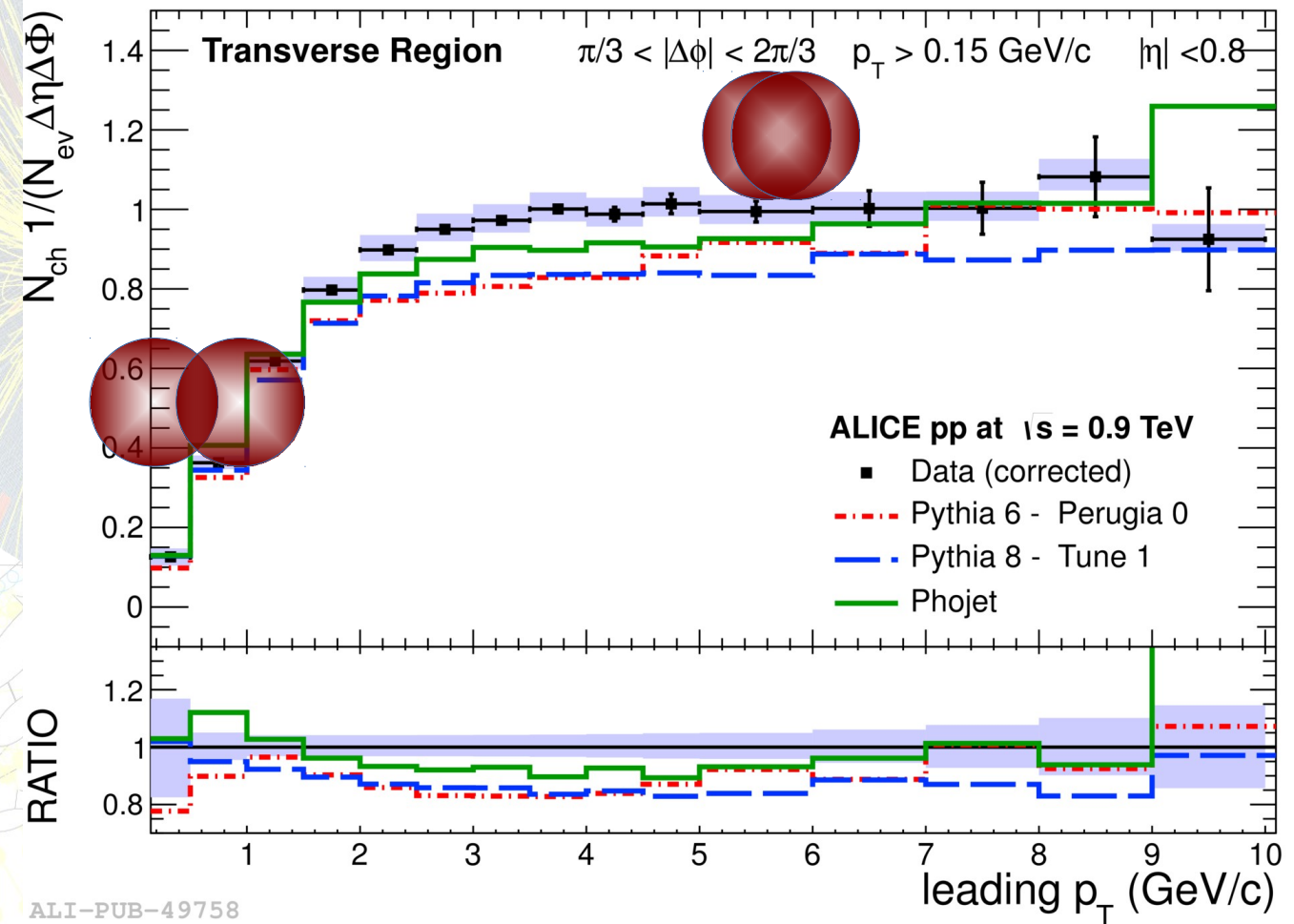
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The ALICE Collaboration, JHEP 116, 2012.

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 ➔ Centrality bias in pp collisions!



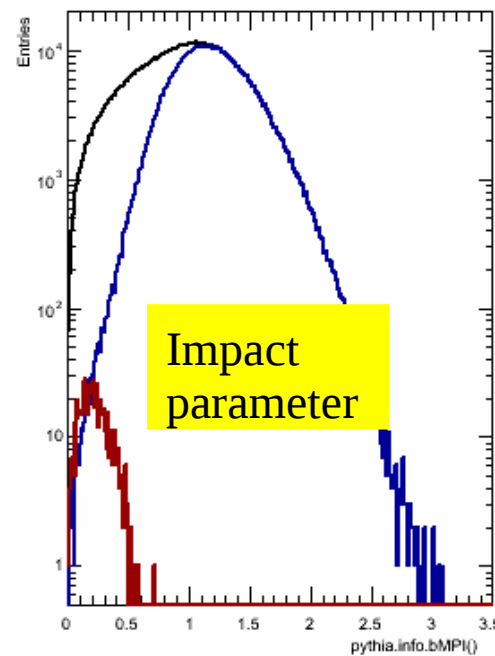
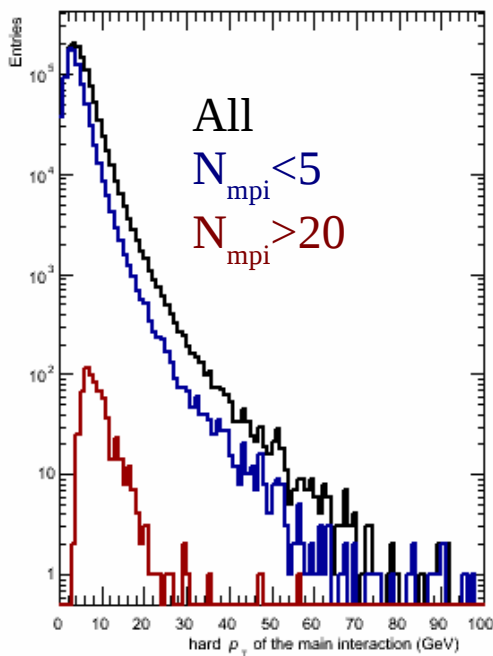
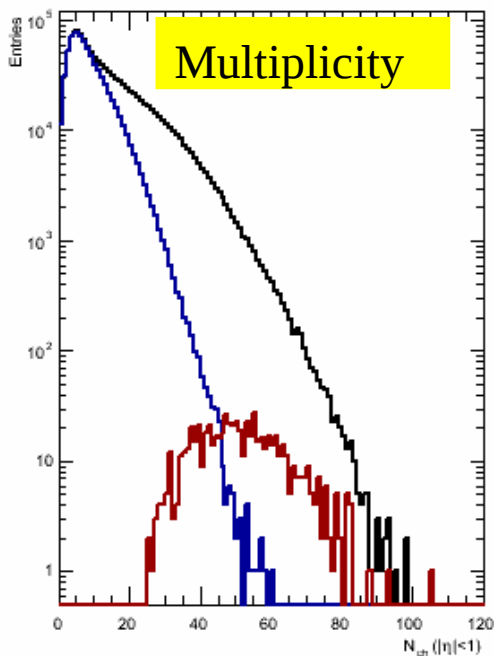
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# Simulations with Pythia 8

$pp \sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$

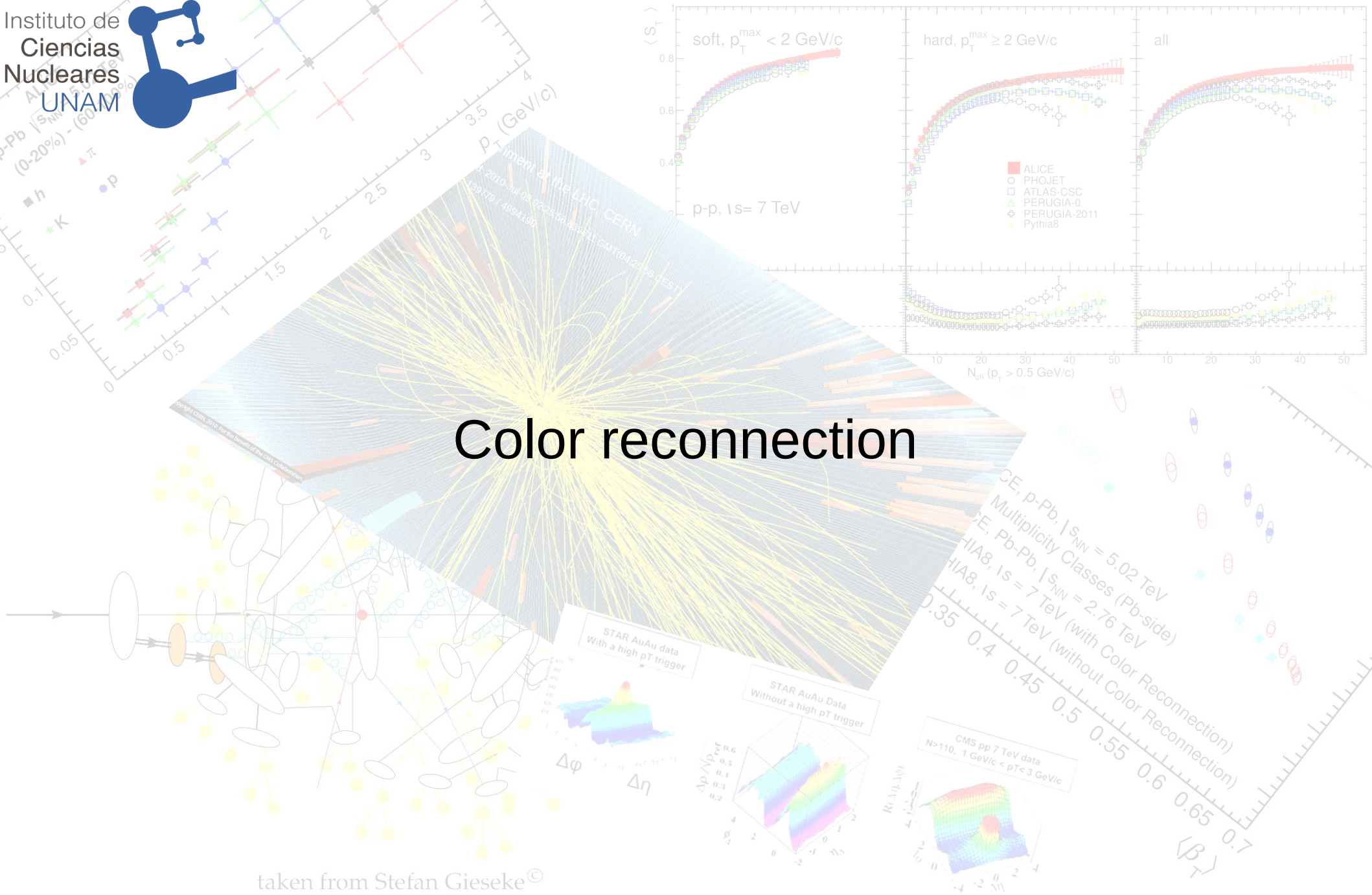


**Central collisions:**

- ★ Hard  $p_T$  scale.
- ★ Many MPI -  $\rightarrow$  High Multiplicity Events

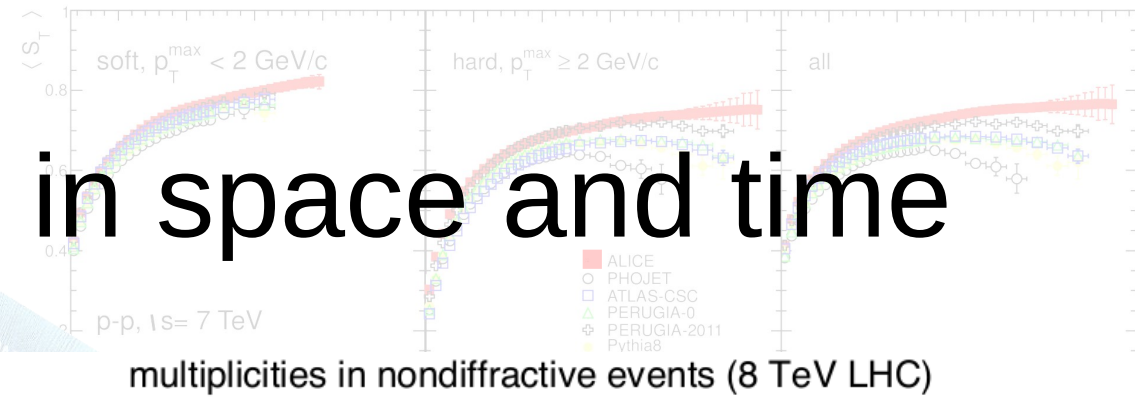
**Peripheral collisions:**

- ★ Smaller hard  $p_T$  scale.
- ★ Few MPI -  $\rightarrow$  Smaller Multiplicity



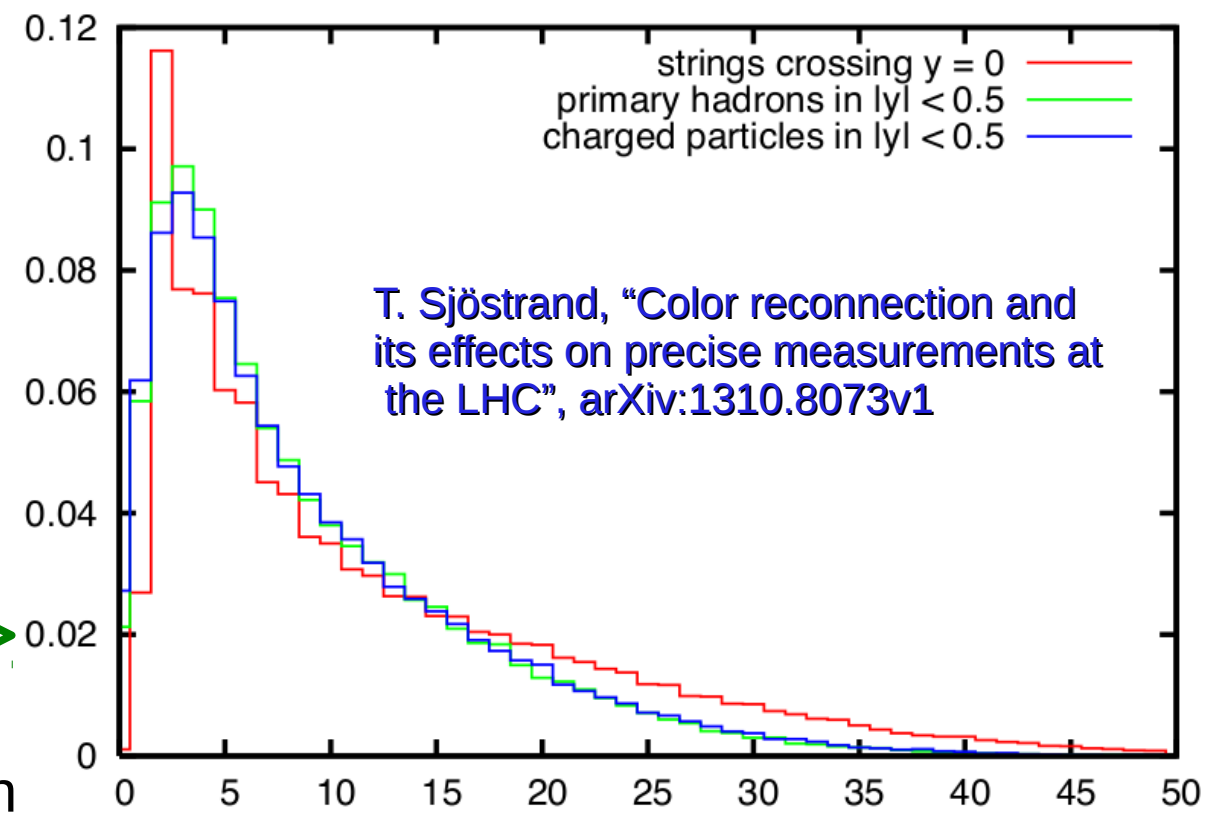
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# Strings overlap in space and time



LHC events have complicated structure, the different physics components (MPI, ISR, FSR, BR) may produce high density of color charges, that may interact (color reconnection) in a nontrivial nonlinear manner.

To quantify the effect, let us consider MB events. 



T. Sjöstrand, "Color reconnection and its effects on precise measurements at the LHC", arXiv:1310.8073v1

String width  $\sim$  hadronic width  
 $\Rightarrow$  Overlap factor  $\sim 10!$   
 Larger for hard collisions (small impact parameter)



# Color reconnection

In Pythia, the final step at parton level before the hadronization is the color reconnection CR, its aim is to describe the hadronization of a many parton system in a single event with multiple hard sub collisions.

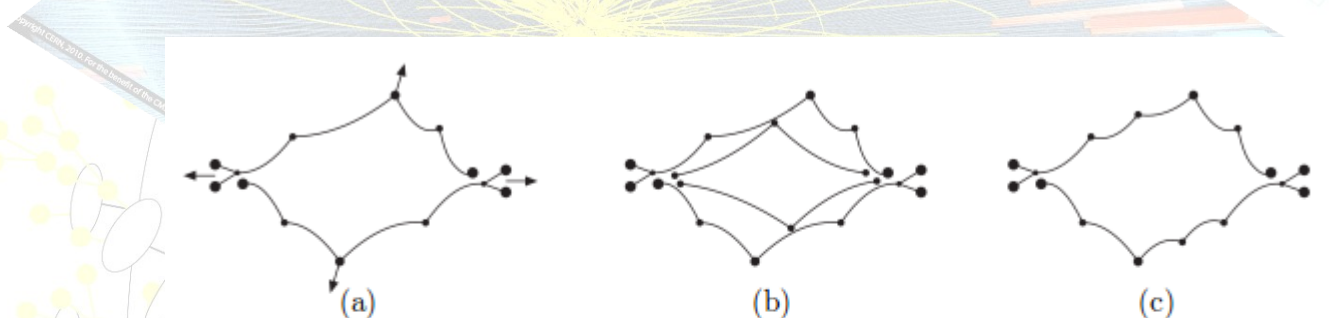
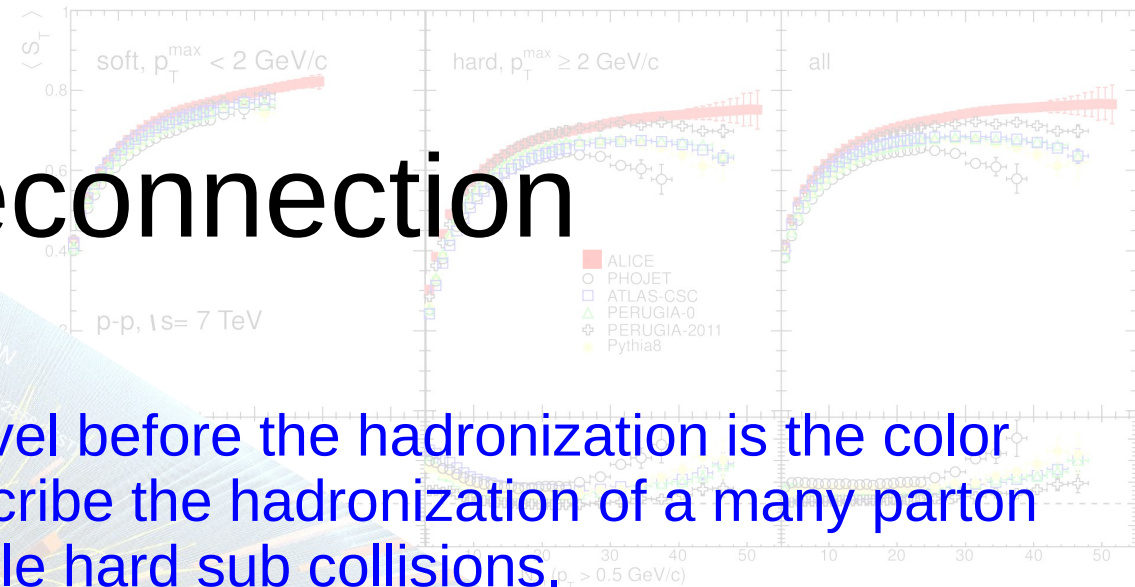


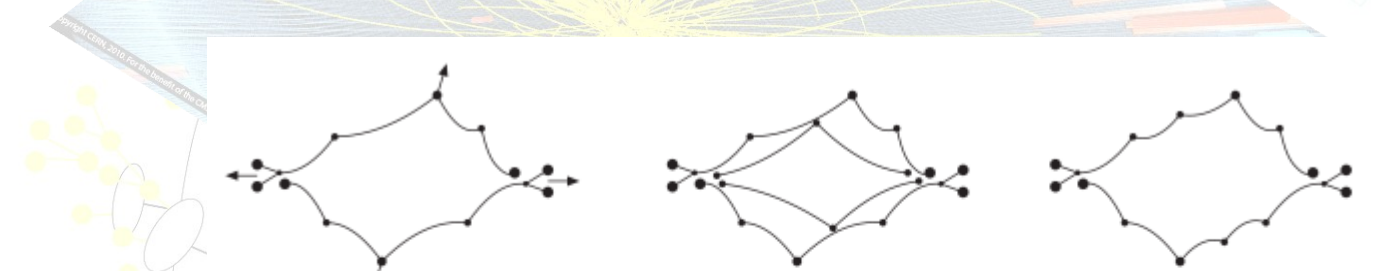
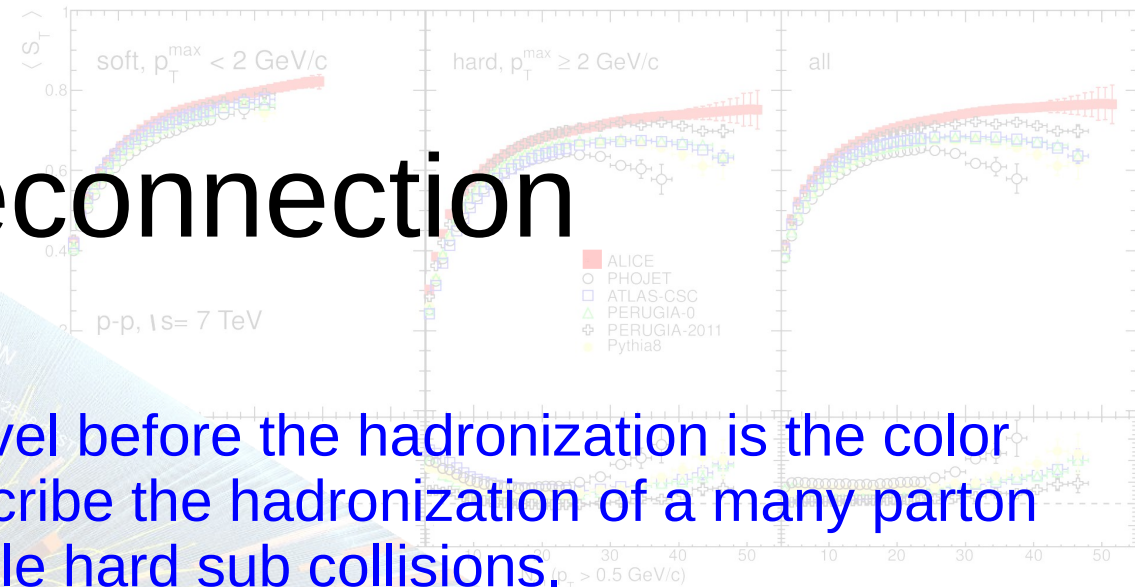
Fig. 2. (a) In a hard gluon-gluon subcollision the outgoing gluons will be colour-connected to the projectile and target remnants. Initial state radiation may give extra gluon kinks, which are ordered in rapidity. (b) A second hard scattering would naively be expected to give two new strings connected to the remnants. (c) In the fits to data the gluons are colour reconnected, so that the total string length becomes as short as possible.

G. Gustafson, Acta Phys.Polon.B40:1981-1996,2009

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The tune 4C (Pythia 8.1.2), uses a model where either all or none of the final-state partons of a MPI system are attached to the string pieces of a higher- $p_T$  system, in a way so as to keep the total string length minimal.

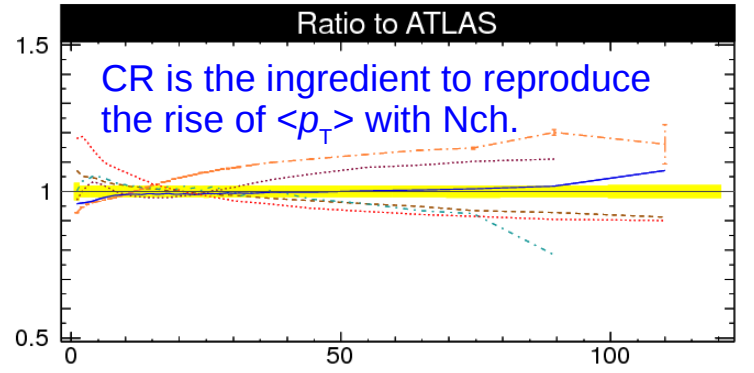
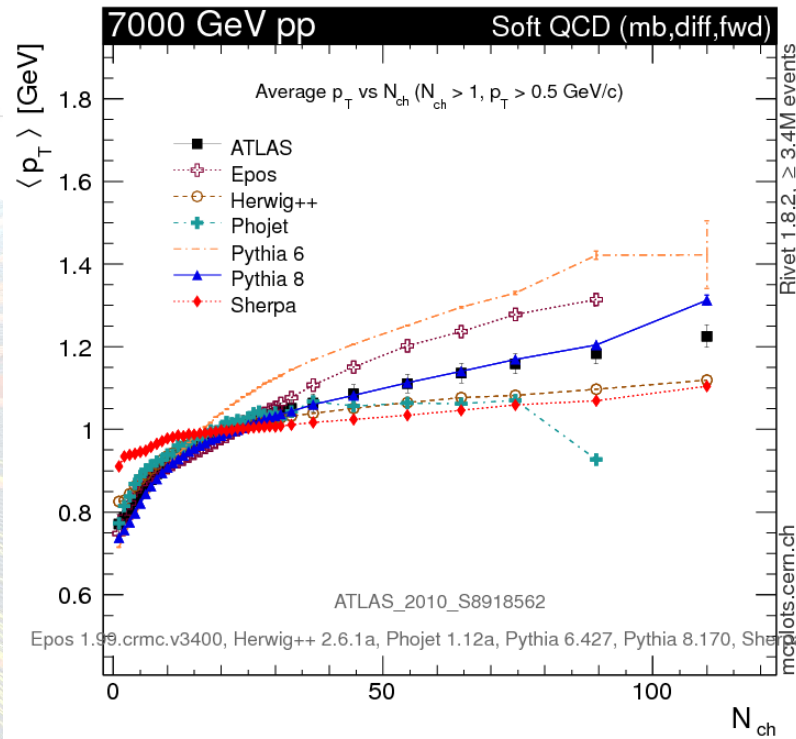
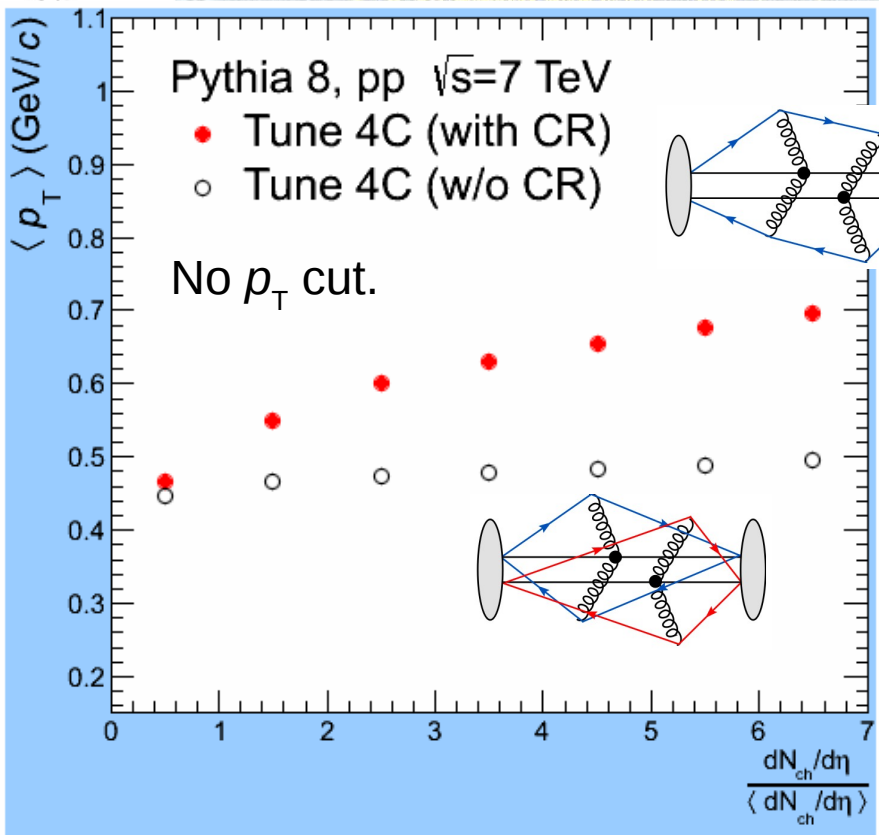
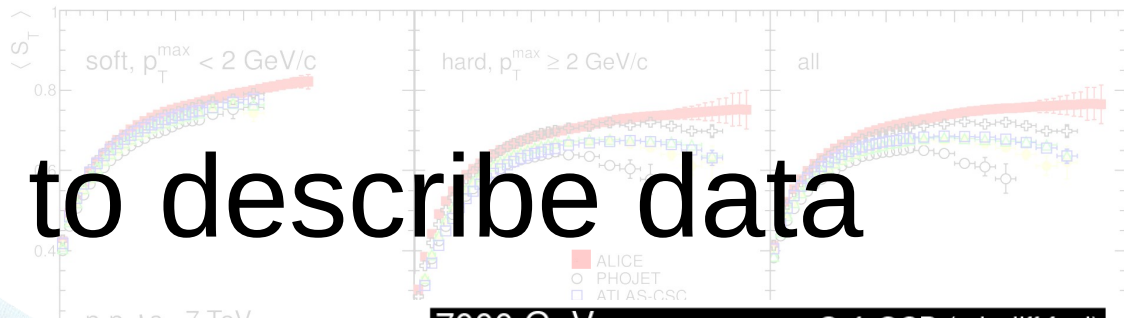
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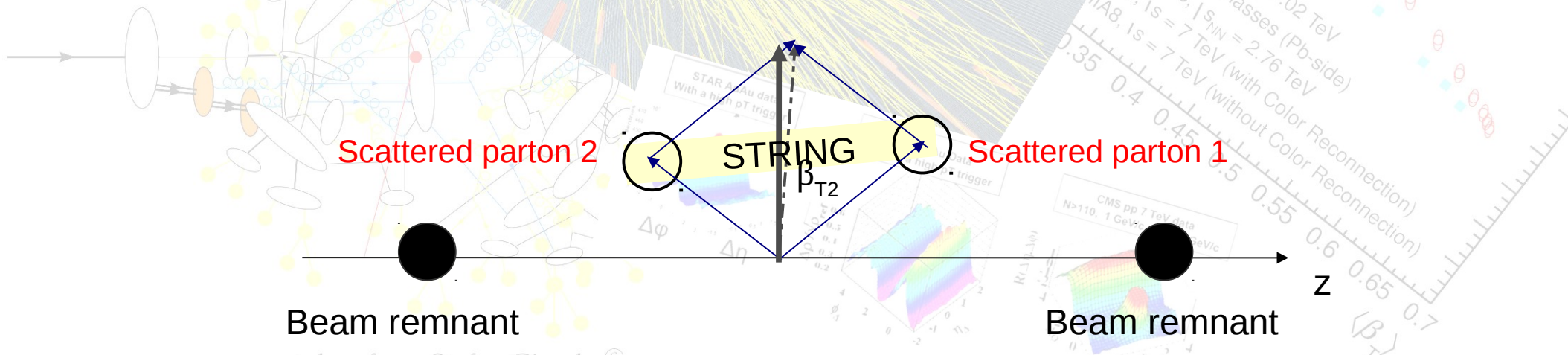
# CR is needed to describe data

CR is the mechanism which produces the rise of  $\langle p_T \rangle$  with multiplicity



# But also we discovered that CR produces flow-like effects

- A string piece moving with some transverse velocity tends to transfer that velocity to the particle produced from it, albeit with large fluctuations, thereby giving larger transverse momenta to heavier hadrons.
- A string piece has a larger transverse velocity the closer to each other the two endpoint partons are moving, which is precisely what is favored by CR scenarios intended to reduce the string length.

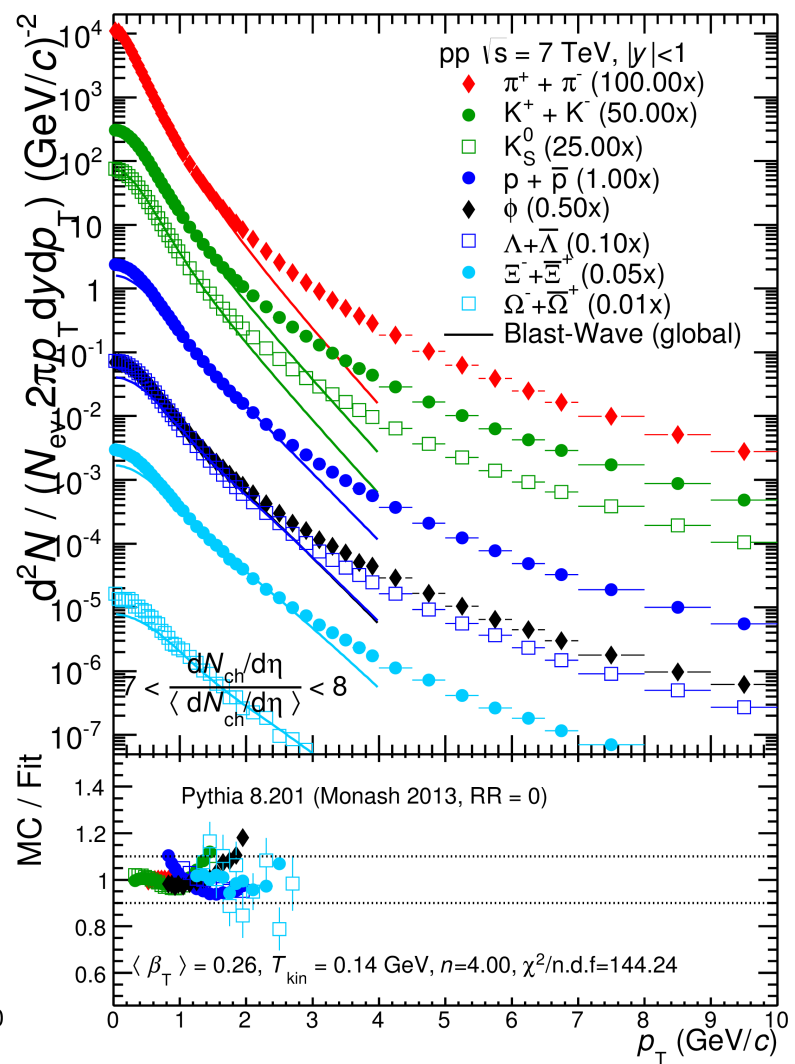
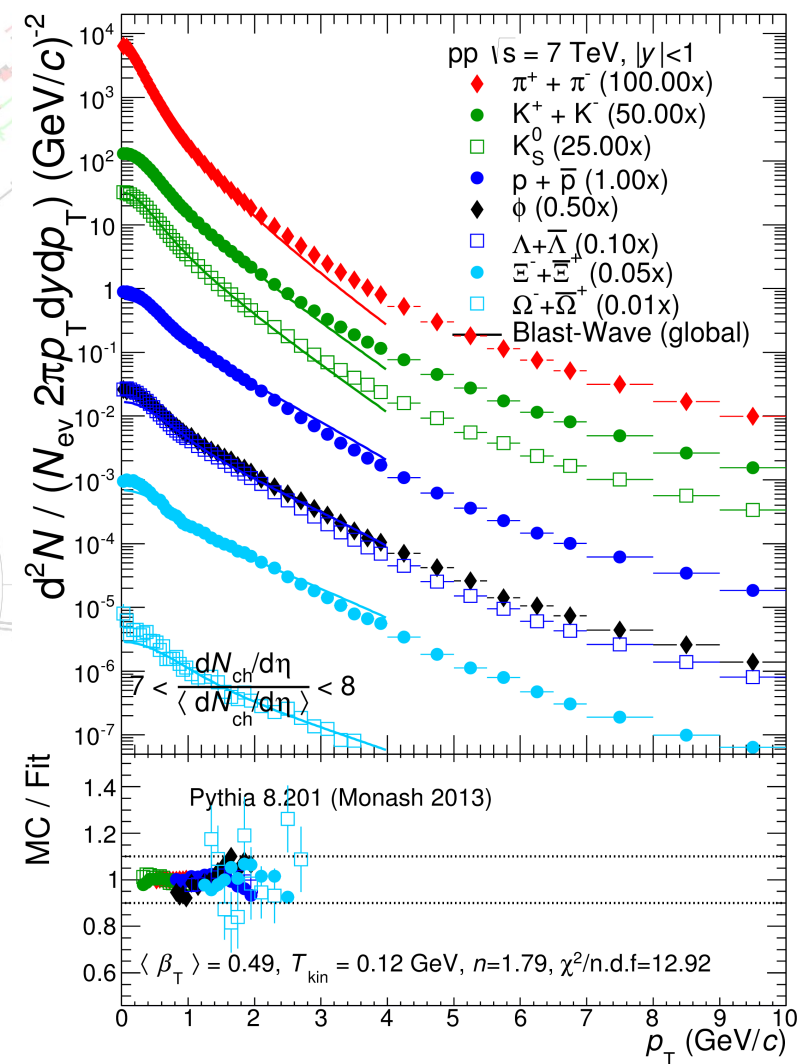


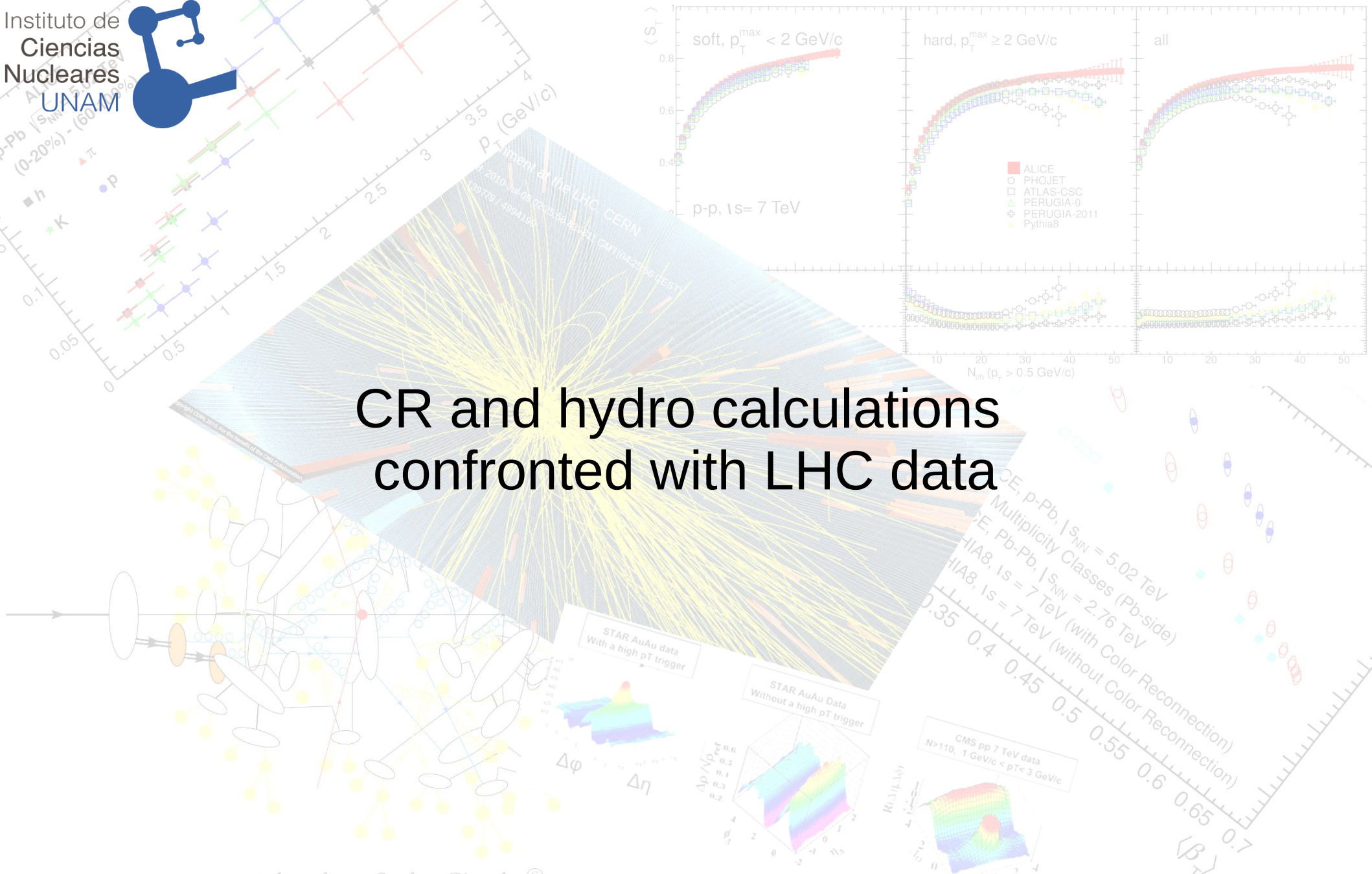
A. Ortiz et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 111, 042001, 2013.

# Hydro model fitted to $p_T$ spectra

MC, Pythia CR, pp

MC, Pythia no CR, pp

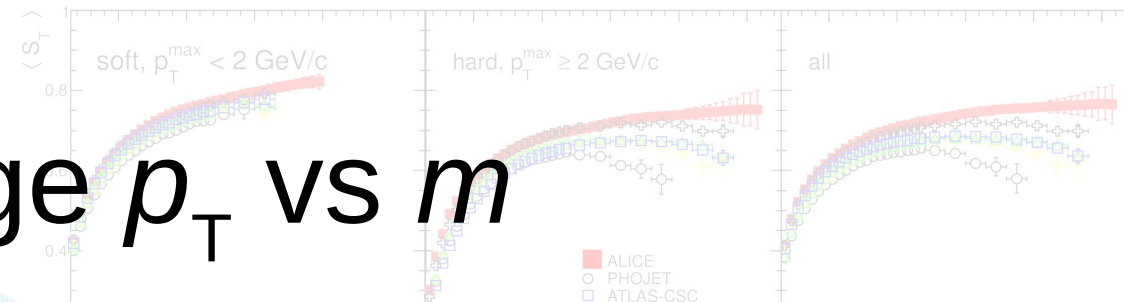




# CR and hydro calculations confronted with LHC data

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# Average $p_T$ vs $m$

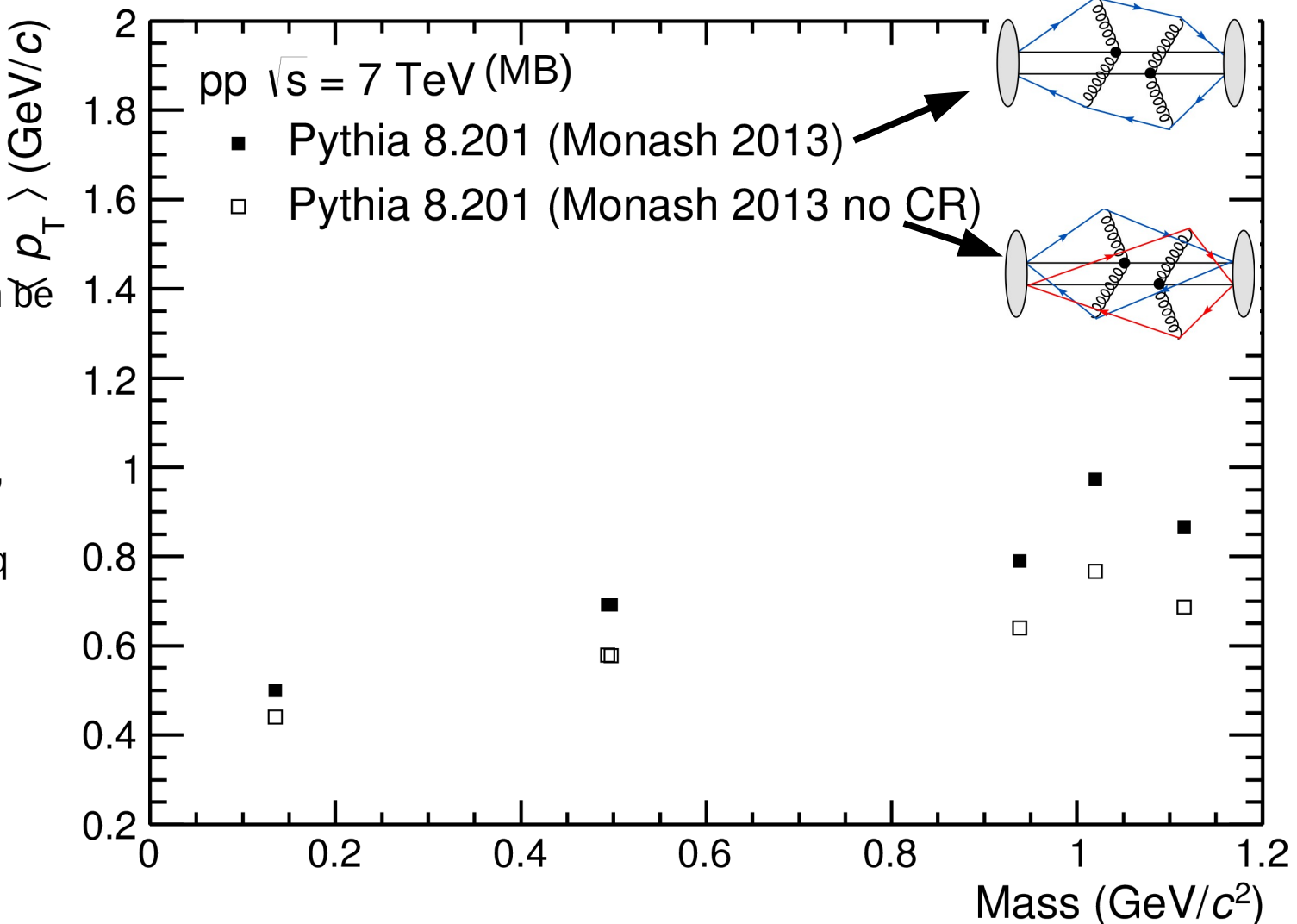


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In Pythia 8, the average  $p_T$  can be affected by:

- Collective flow-like due to transversely boosted string pieces ( $\langle p_T \rangle \sim k \cdot m$ , PRL 11, 042001, 2013).
- At each string breaking the  $q$  and  $qbar$  are supposed to receive opposite and compensating  $p_T$  kicks according to a Gaussian distribution in  $p_x$  and  $p_y$  separately (Gaussian fragmentation  $p_T$ ).



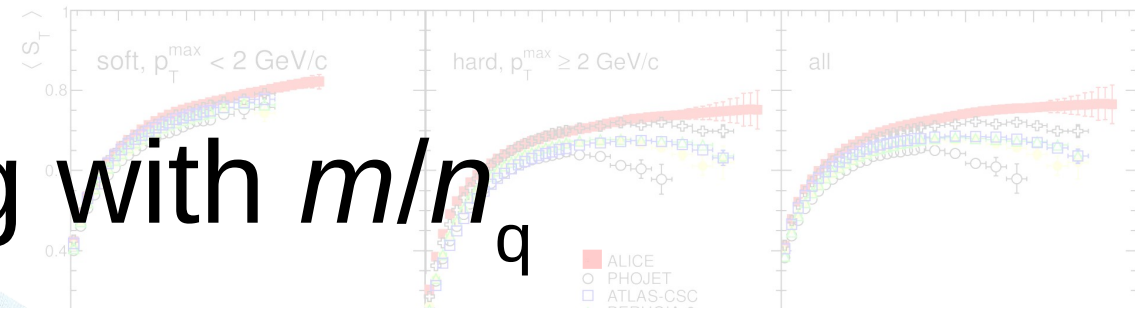
**Different scaling for baryons and mesons?**

March 4, 2015

<http://home.thep.lu.se/~torbjorn/pythia82html/Fragmentation.html>

A. Ortiz (Seminario del CA-PCyRG, BUAP)

# Scaling with $m/n_q$



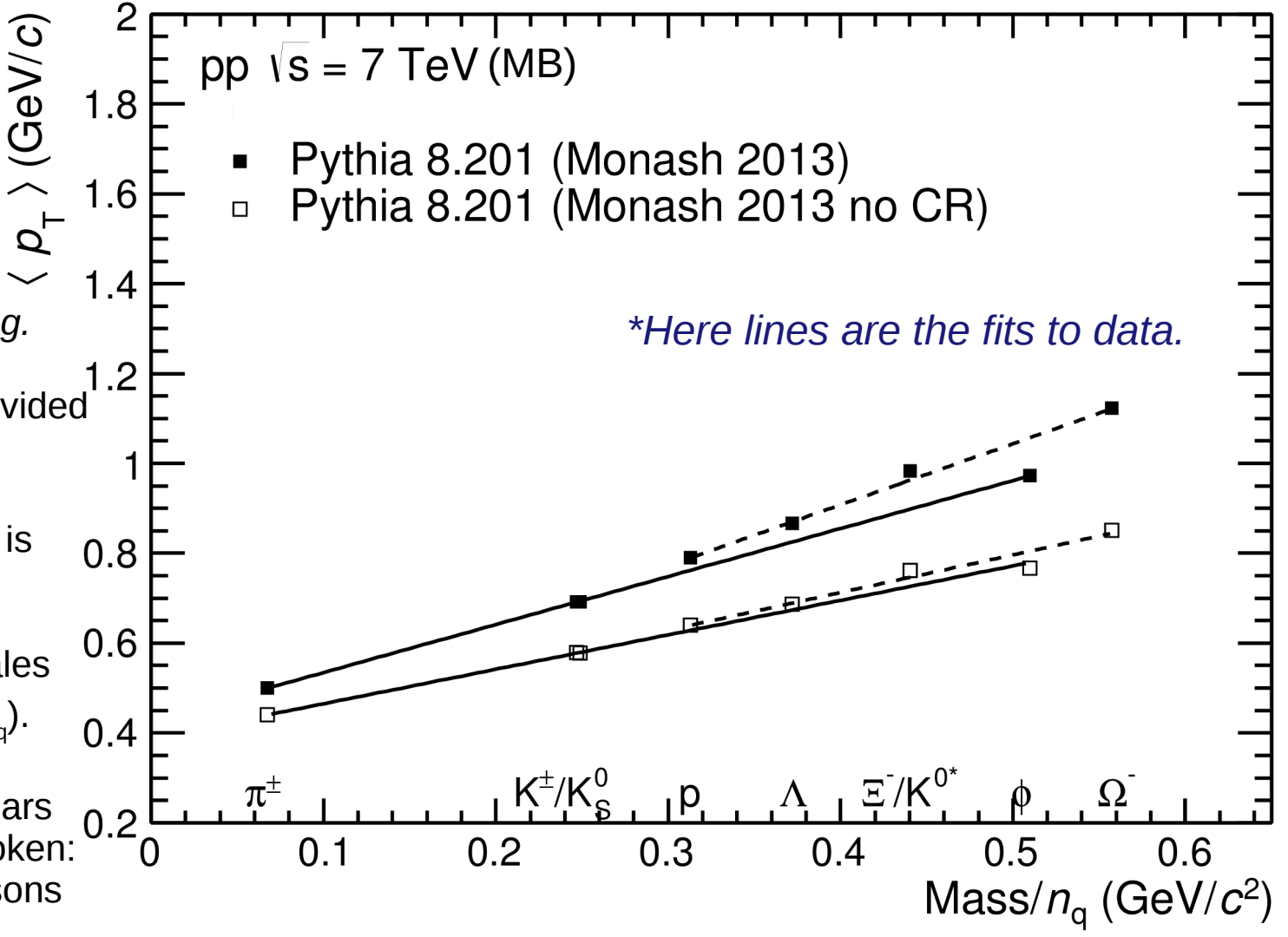
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To facilitate the comparison (e.g. slopes) between baryons and mesons, the hadron mass is divided by the number of quark ( $n_q$ ).

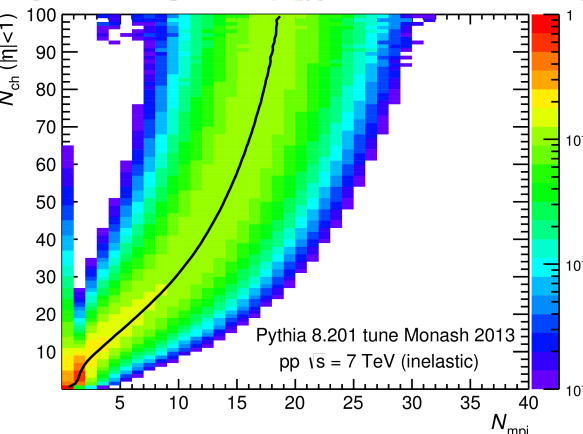
When color reconnection (CR) is switched off (independent fragmentation of the partonic systems), mean  $p_T$  roughly scales with  $m/n_q$ ,  $\langle p_T \rangle \sim \text{constant} \cdot (m/n_q)$ .

With CR, flow-like effects appears and the universal scaling is broken: the  $\langle p_T \rangle$ s for baryons and mesons scale with  $m/n_q$ , independently.

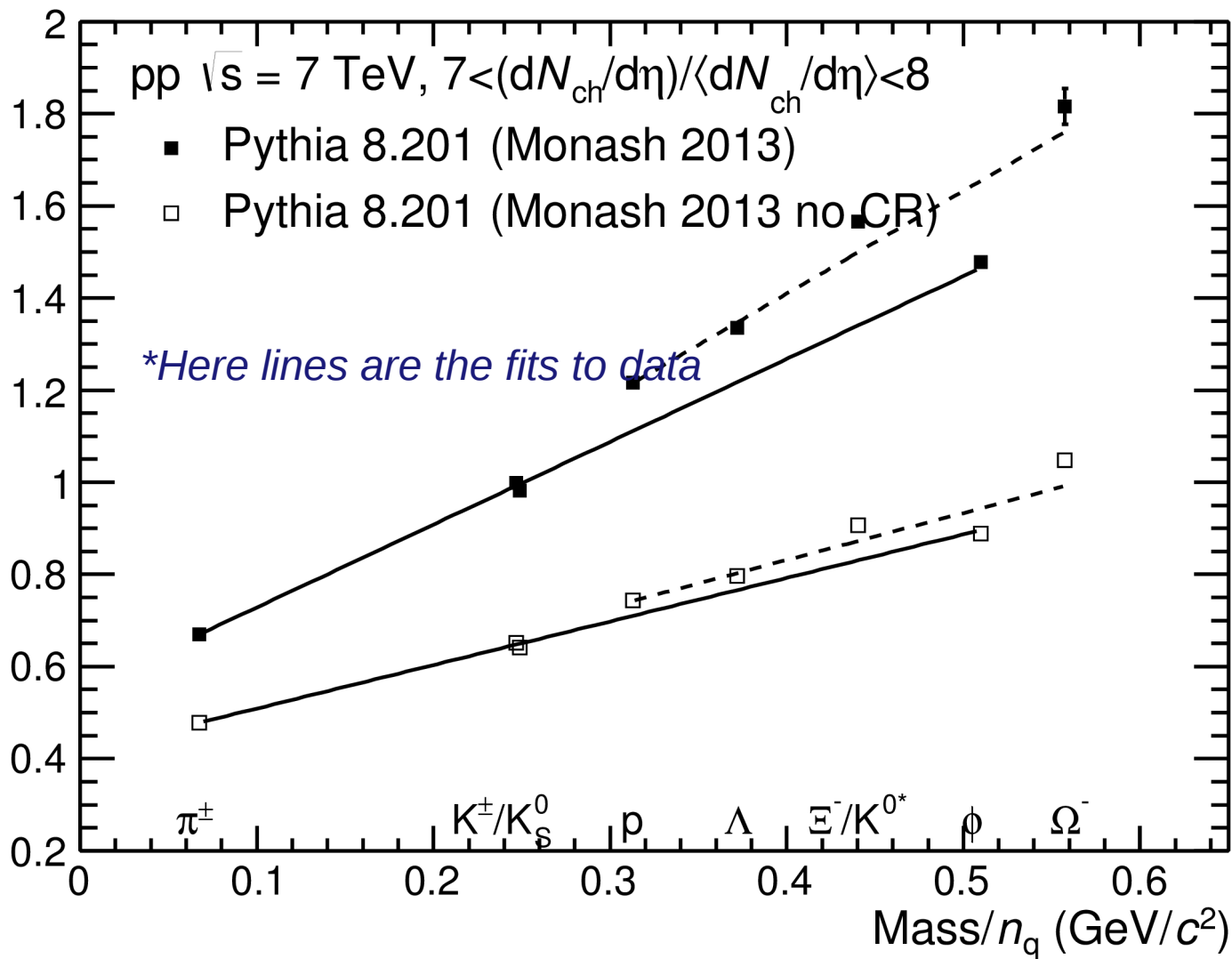




# Pythia: high multiplicity



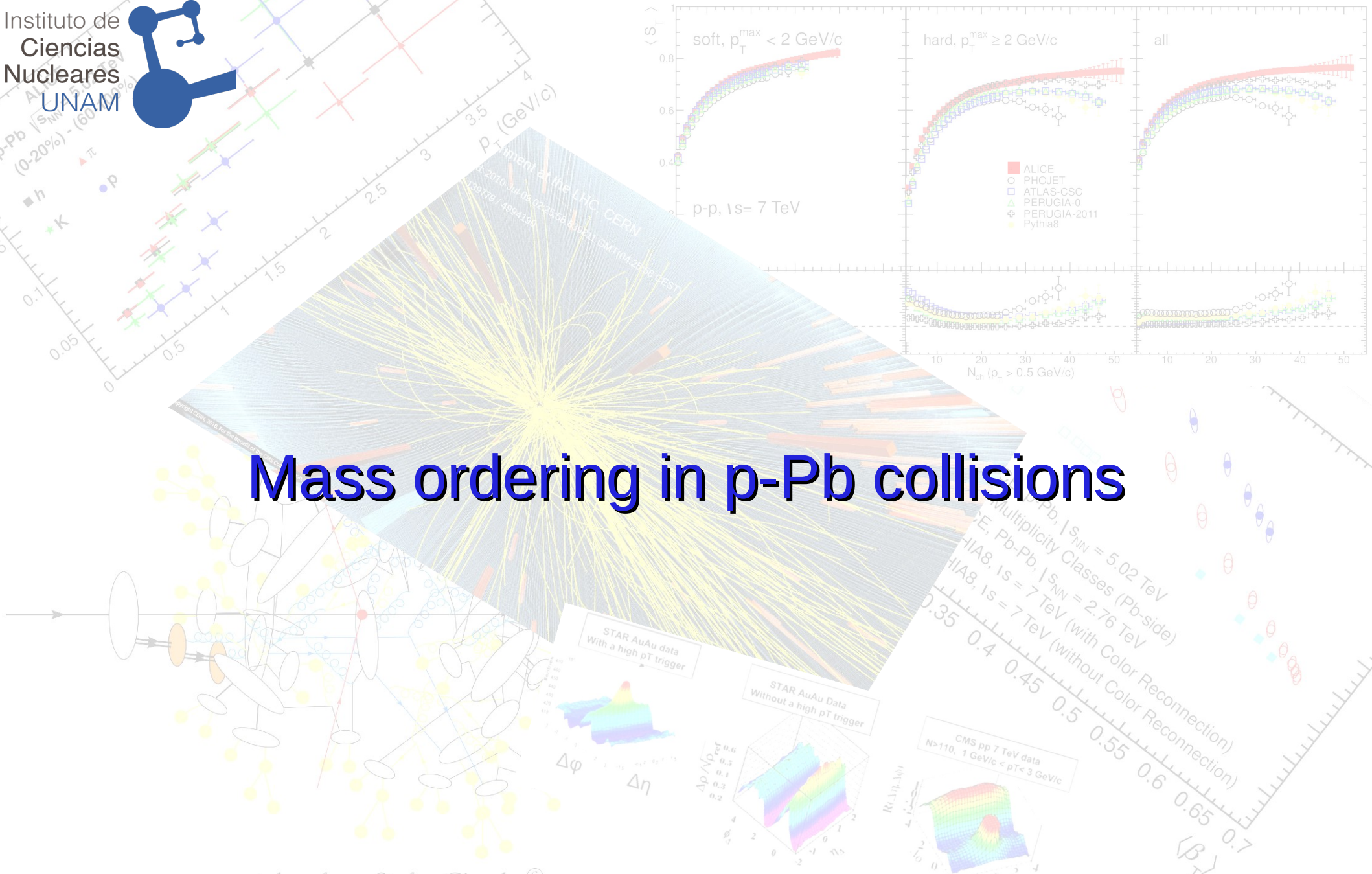
$\langle p_T \rangle$  (GeV/c)



When the number of multiparton interactions is increased (large multiplicity) we observe an overall increase of the average  $p_T$ .

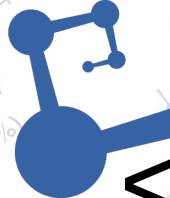
The mean  $p_T$  is larger when CR is activated. Baryons have an overall larger mean  $p_T$  than mesons.

Without CR,  $\langle p_T \rangle$  is still closer to the universal scaling with  $m/n_q$ .

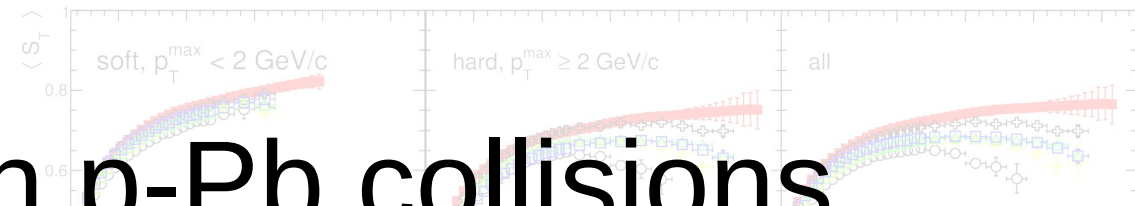


# Mass ordering in p-Pb collisions

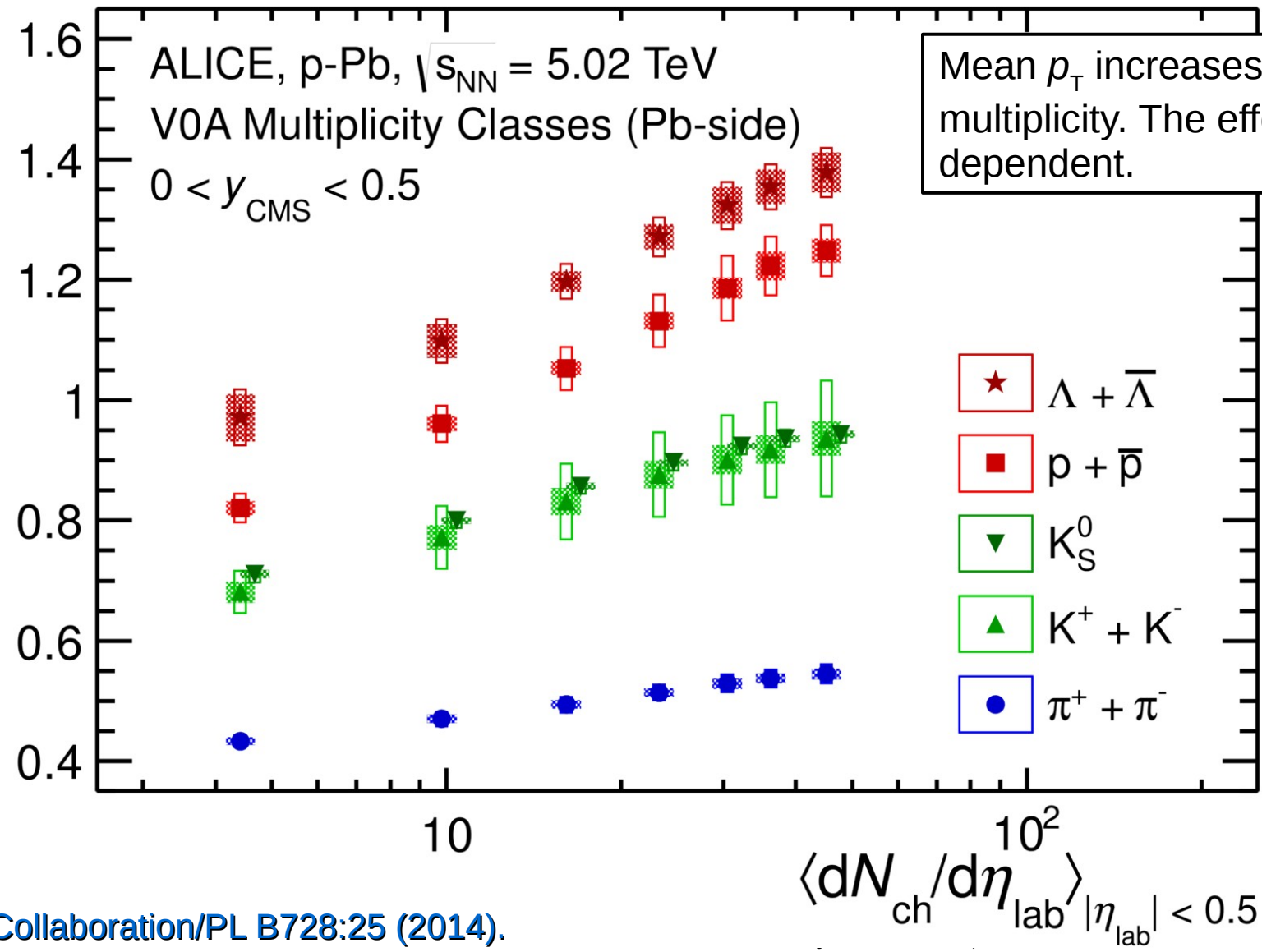
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# $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs $N_{ch}$ in p-Pb collisions

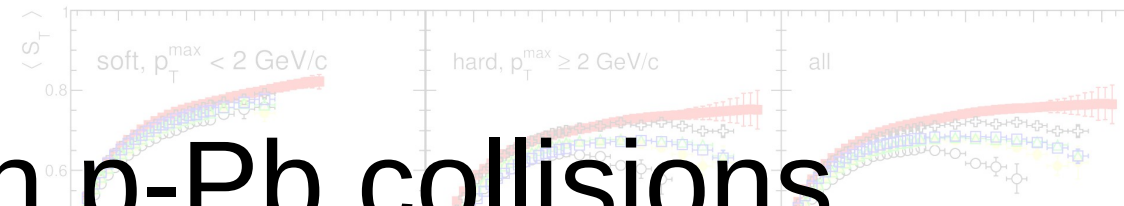


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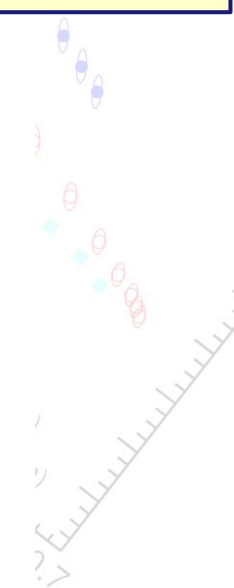
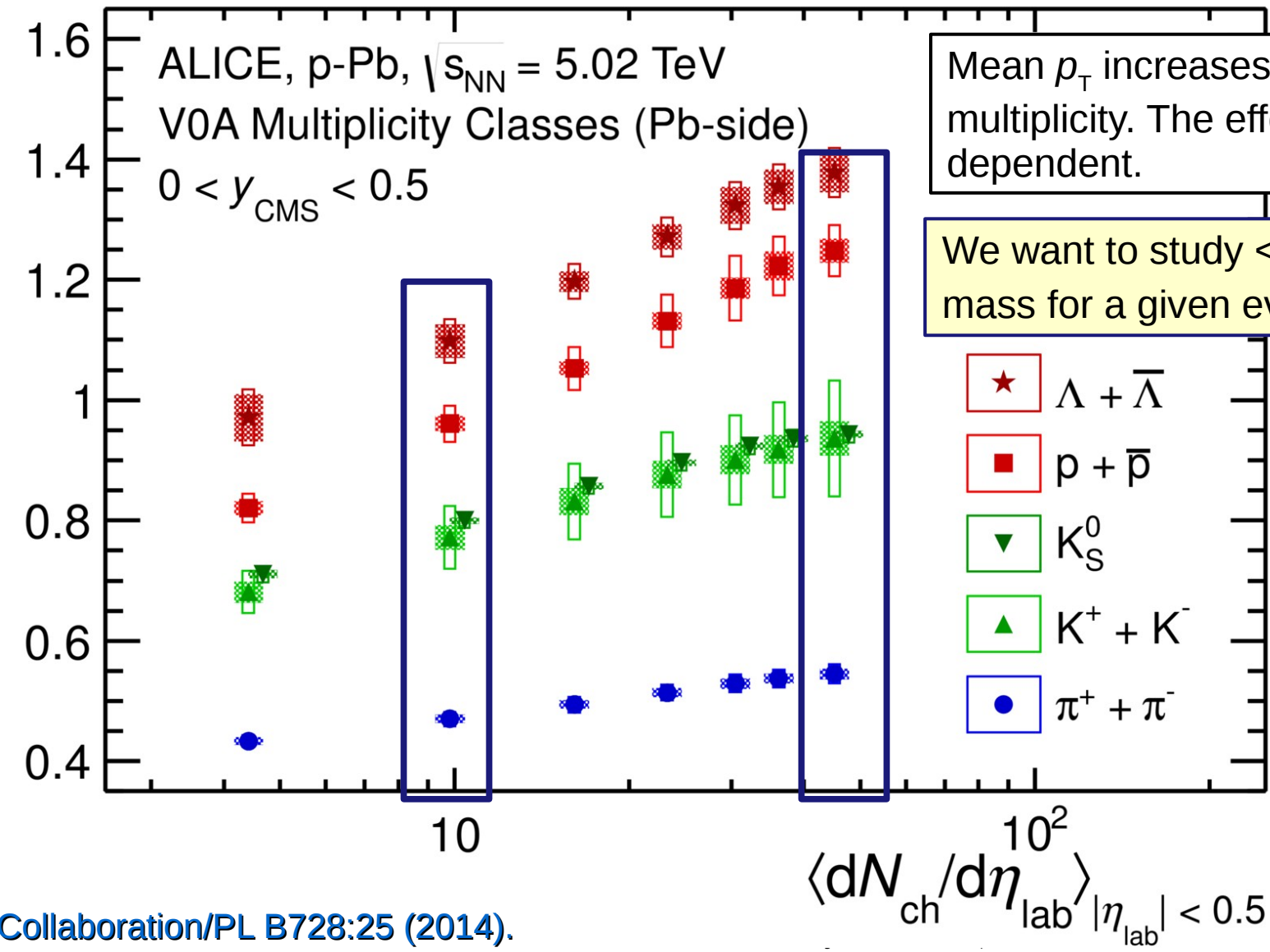




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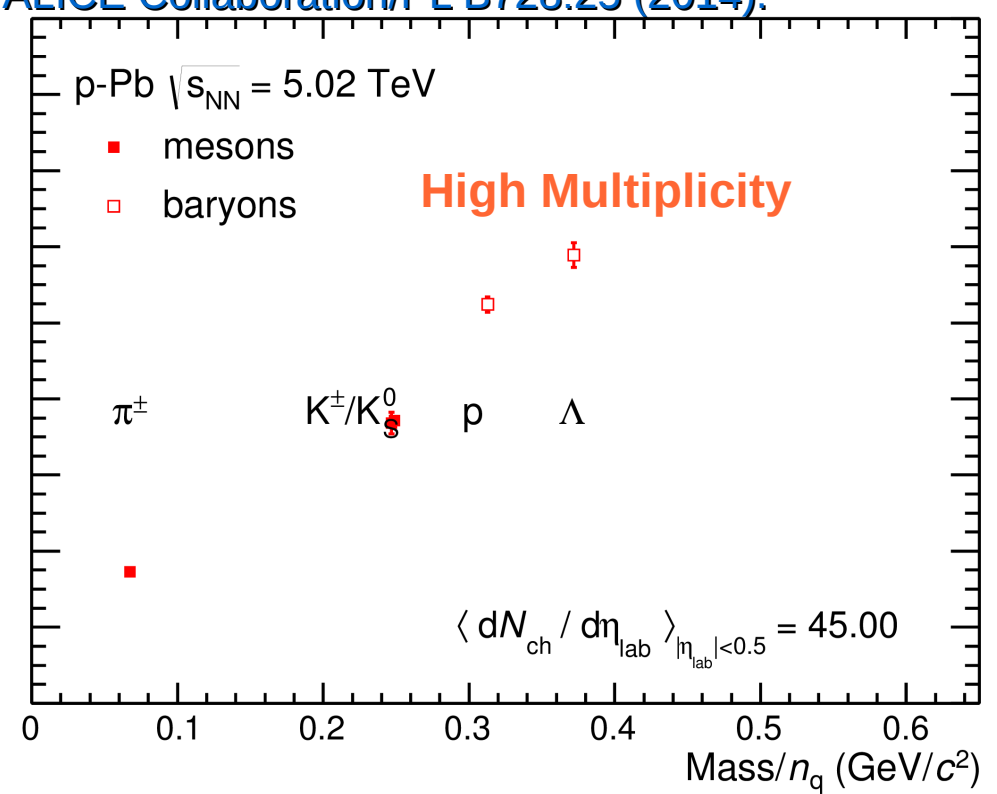
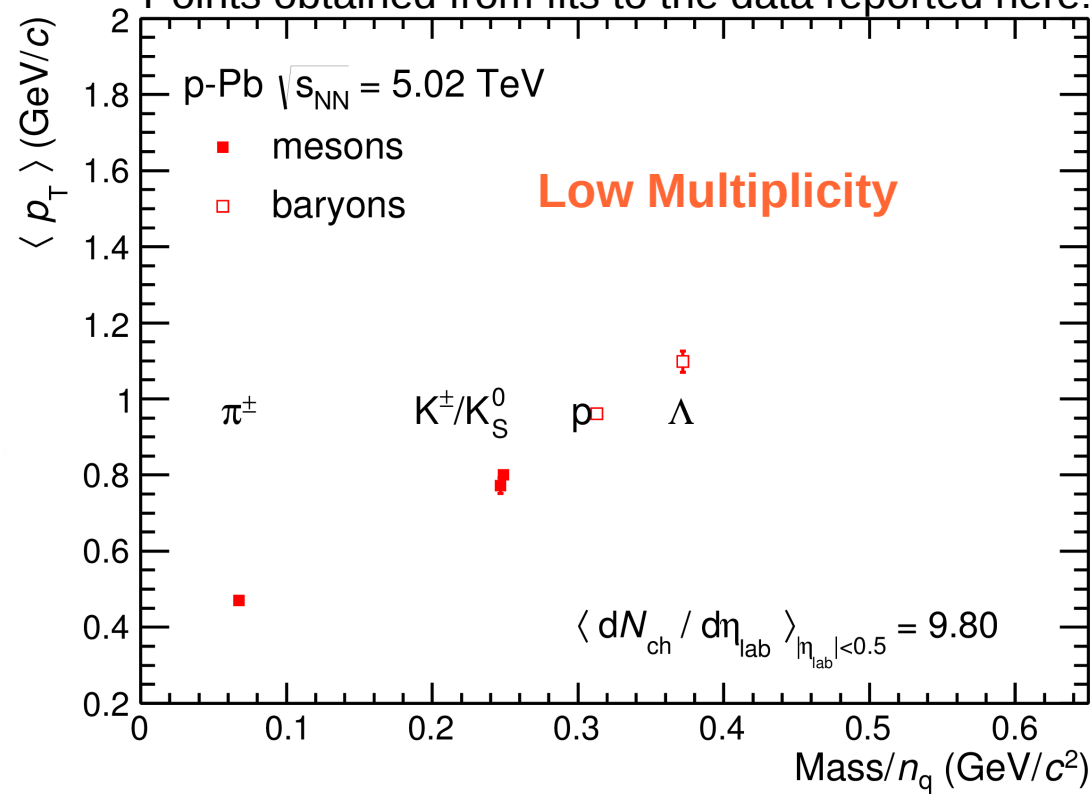
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# $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs hadron mass

Mass ( $m$ ) is divided by the number of quarks constituents ( $n_q$ ).

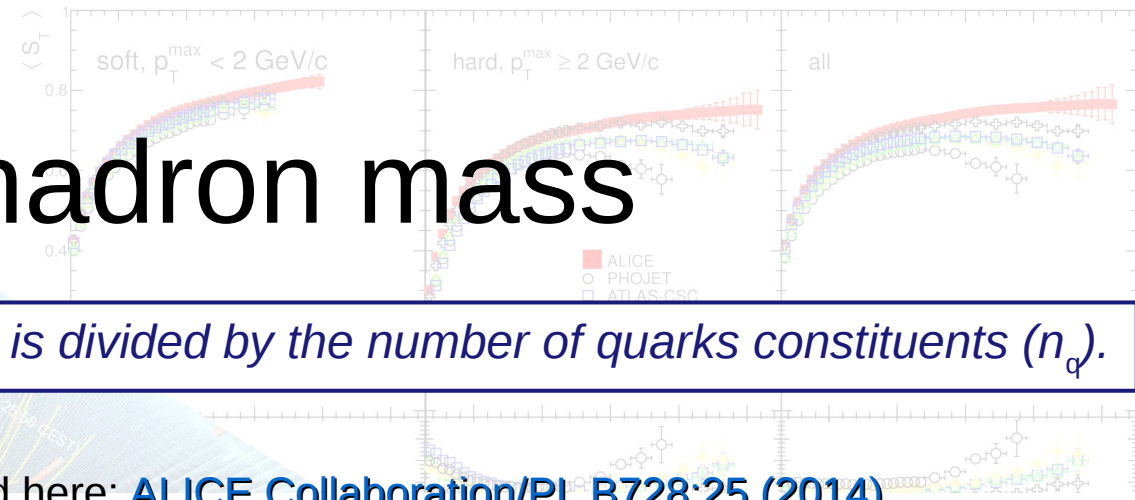
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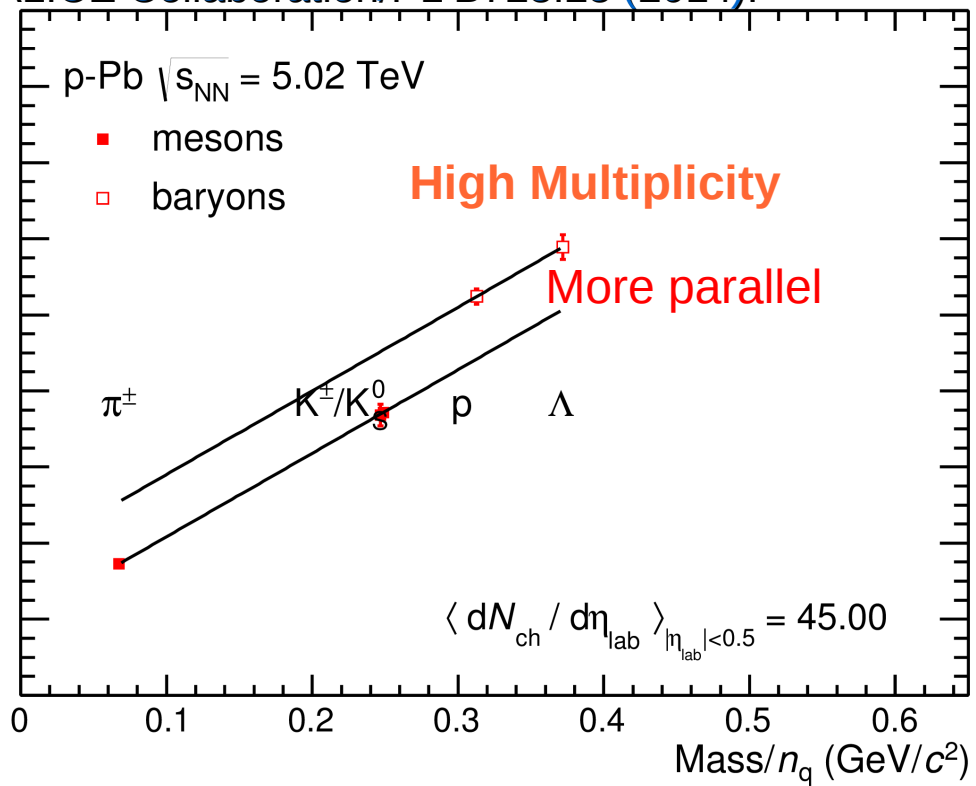
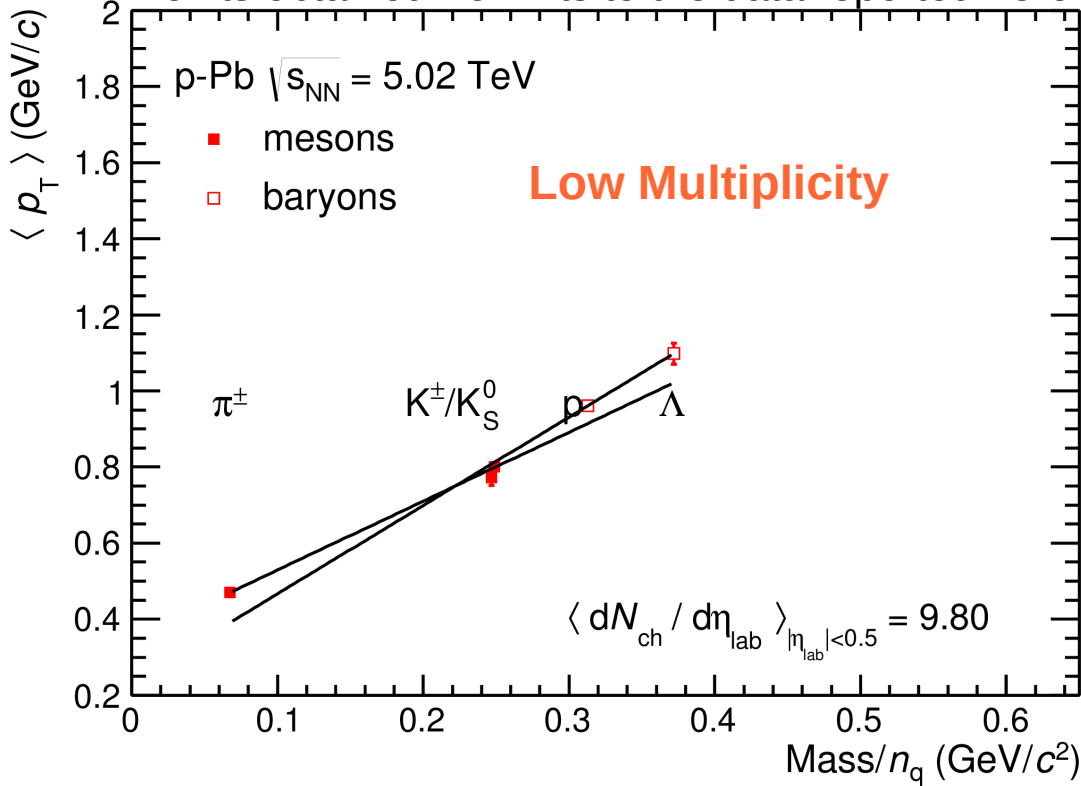
Mean  $p_T$  seem to scale with  $m/n_q$ ,  $\langle p_T \rangle \sim c(m/n_q)$ .

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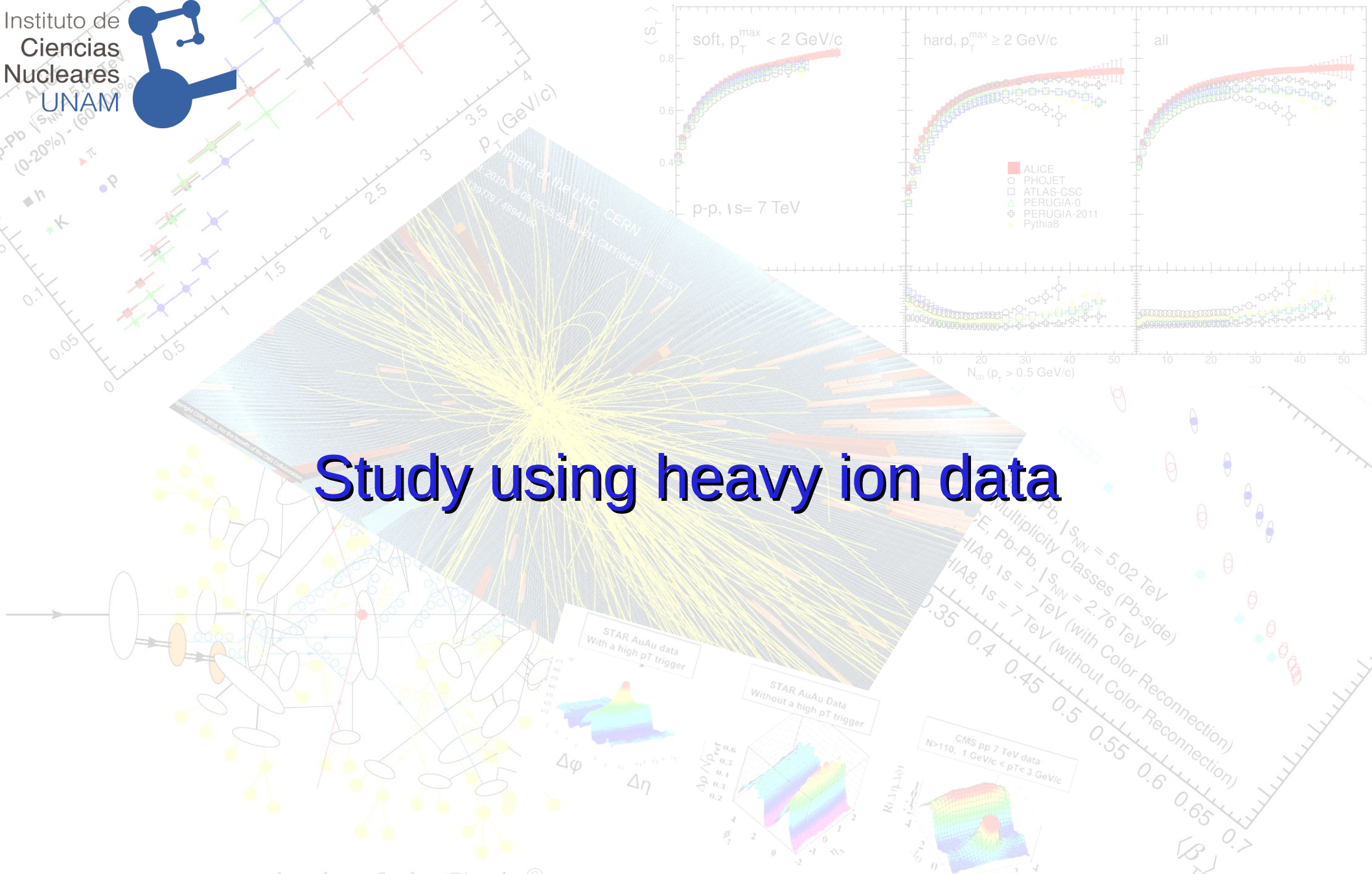
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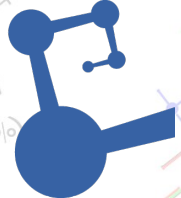


Larger  $c$  is obtained for baryons than for mesons. The data are fitted to linear functions, the parameters as a function of multiplicity are studied in the next slides ...



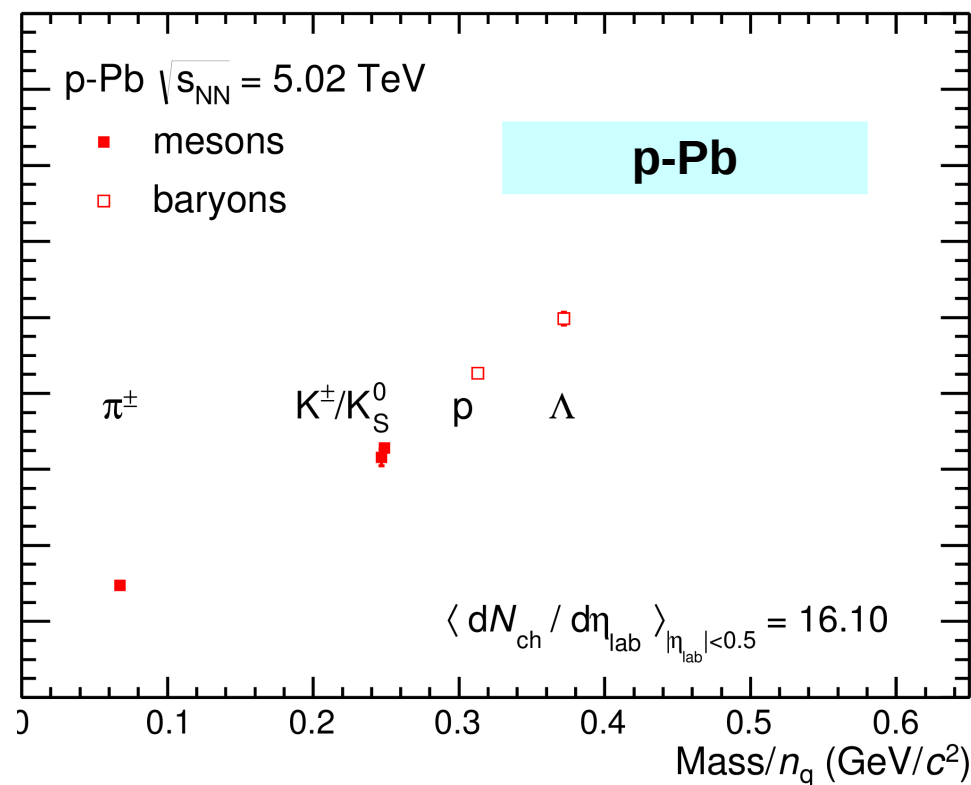
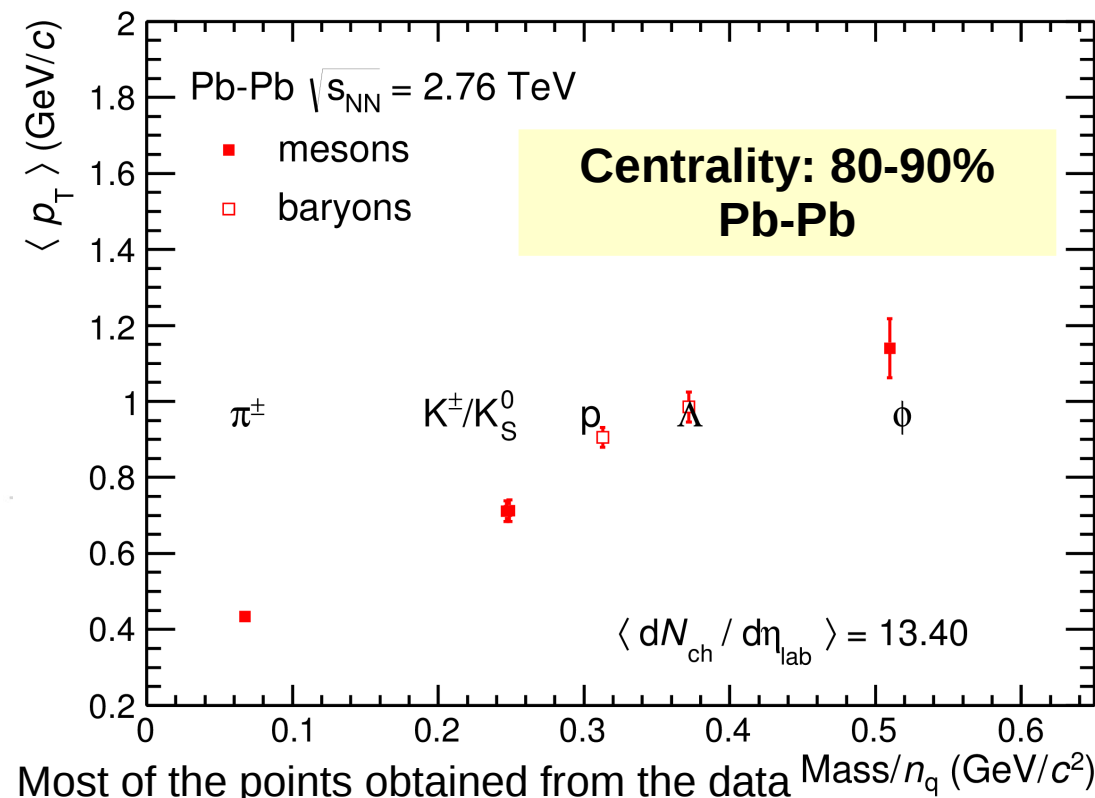
# Study using heavy ion data

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# $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs $m/n_q$ , comparison with Pb-Pb

Low multiplicity events



Most of the points obtained from the data reported here:

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[ALICE Collaboration/PL B728:25 \(2014\).](#)

[ALICE Collaboration/arXiv:1404.0495](#)

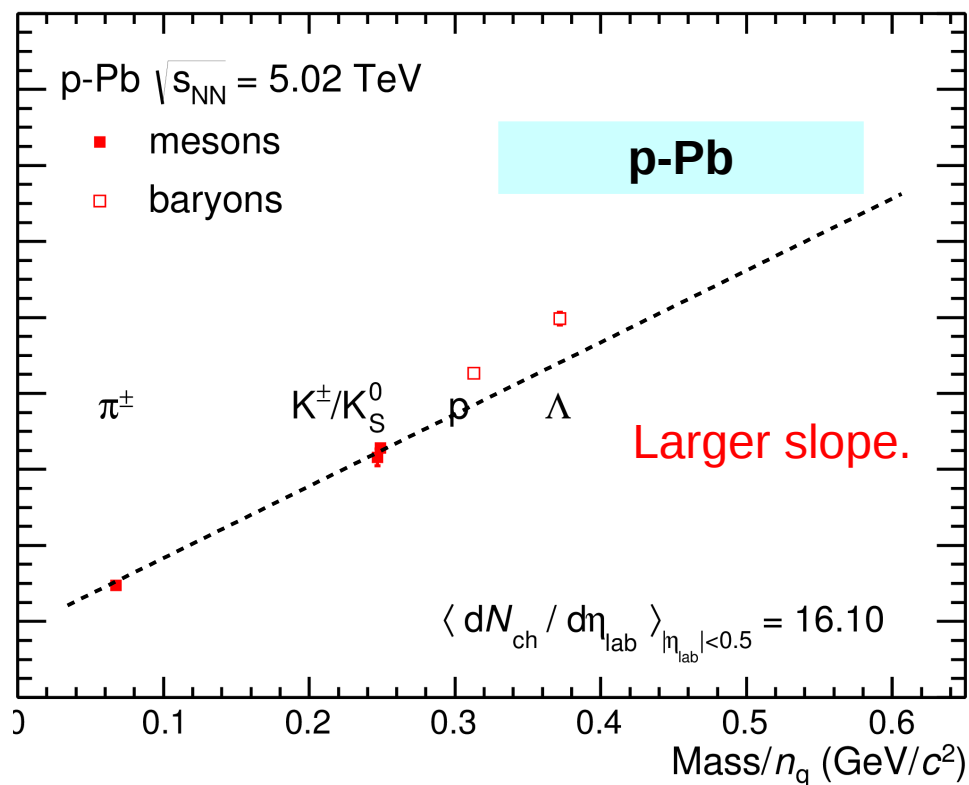
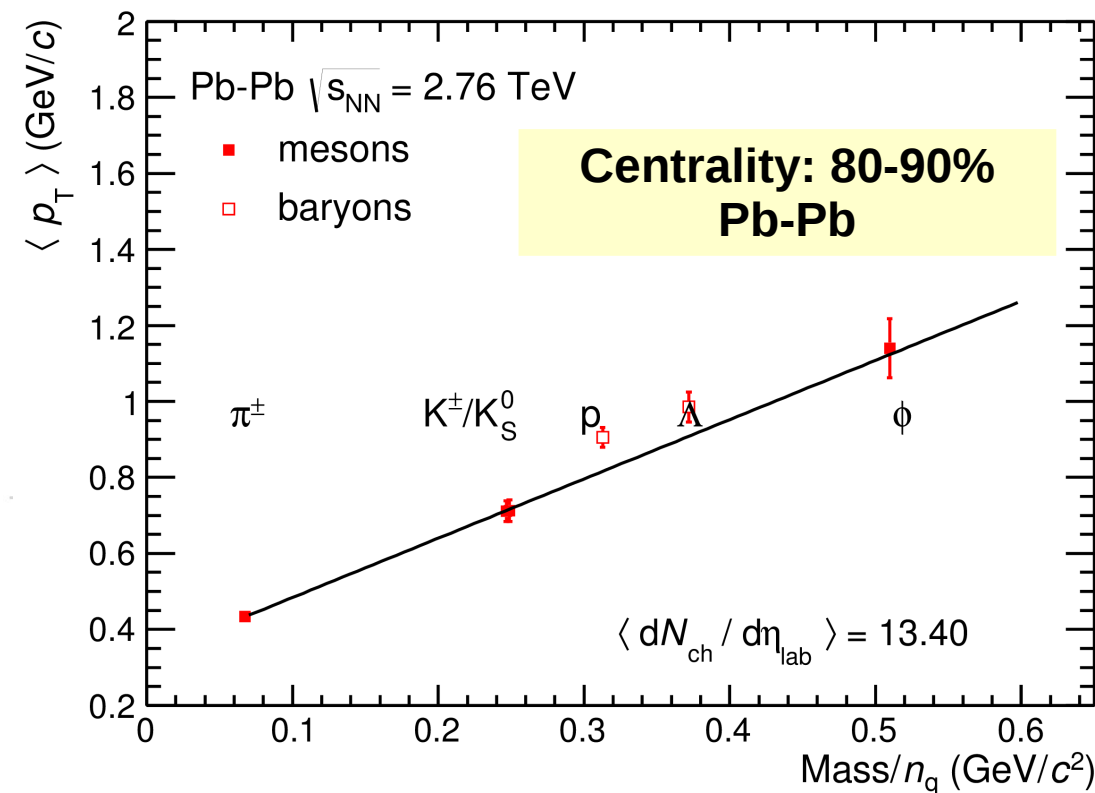
Mean  $p_T$  for  $\Lambda$  and  $K_S^0$  in Pb-Pb collisions are derived from spectra reported here:

[ALICE Collaboration/PRL. 111 \(2013\) 222301.](#)



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Low multiplicity events



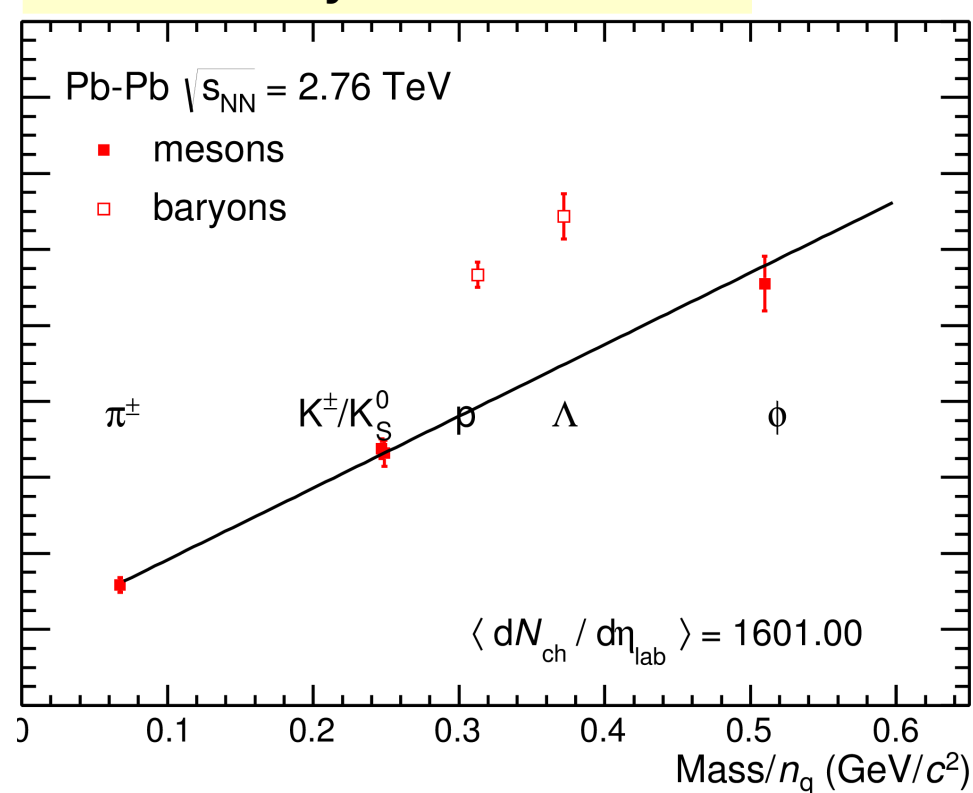
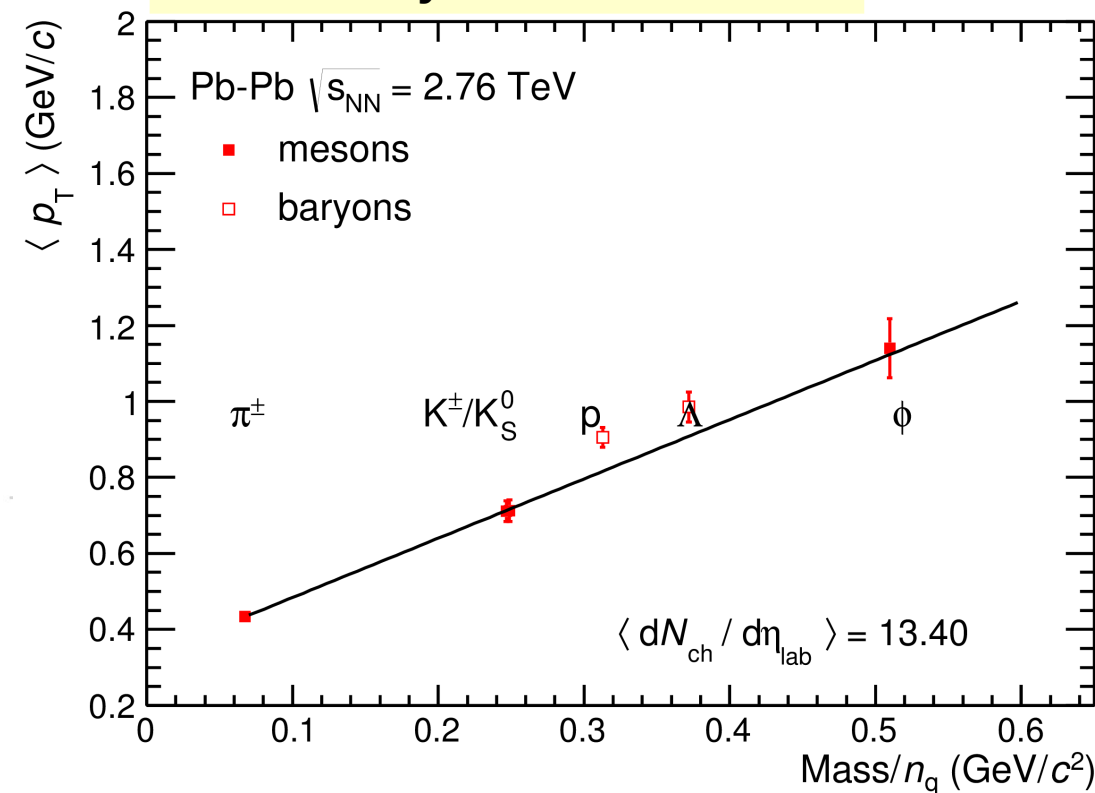
Close to the universal scaling:  $\langle p_T \rangle \sim \text{constant} * (m/n_q)$

# $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs $m/n_q$ , comparison with Pb-Pb

Central vs Peripheral Pb-Pb collisions

Centrality: 80-90% Pb-Pb

Centrality: 0-5% Pb-Pb



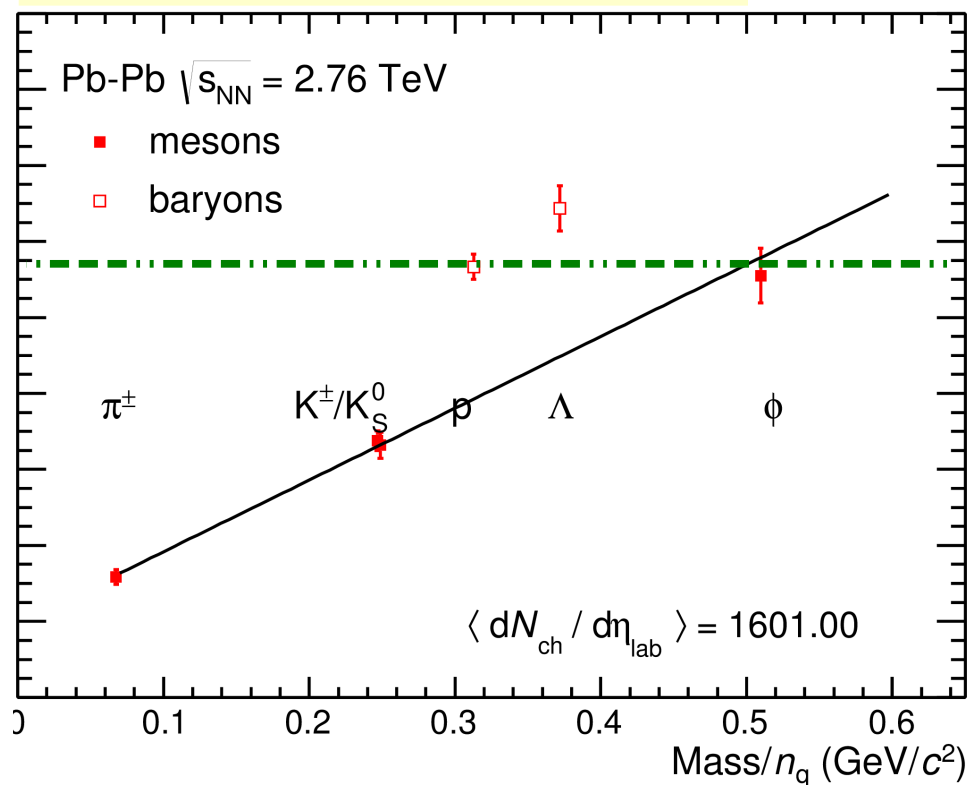
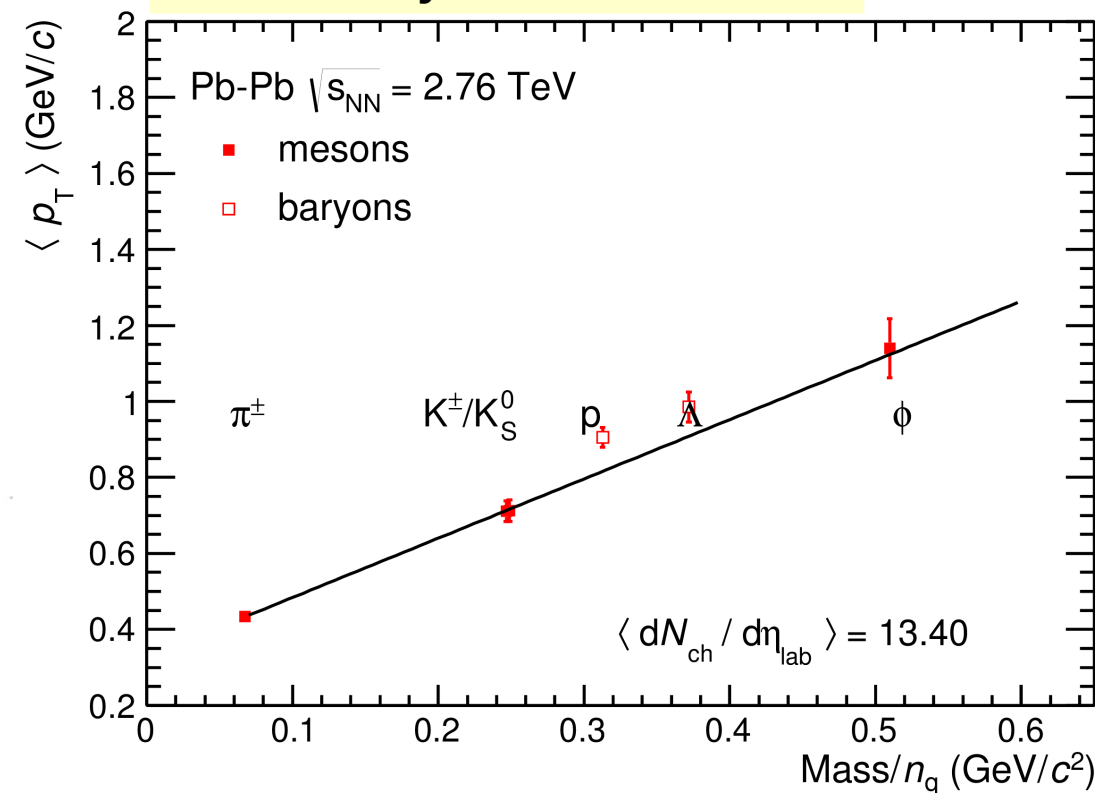
In the most central Pb-Pb collisions a deviation from the universal scaling,  $\langle p_T \rangle \sim \text{constant} \cdot (m/n_q)$ , is observed.

# $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs $m/n_q$ , comparison with Pb-Pb

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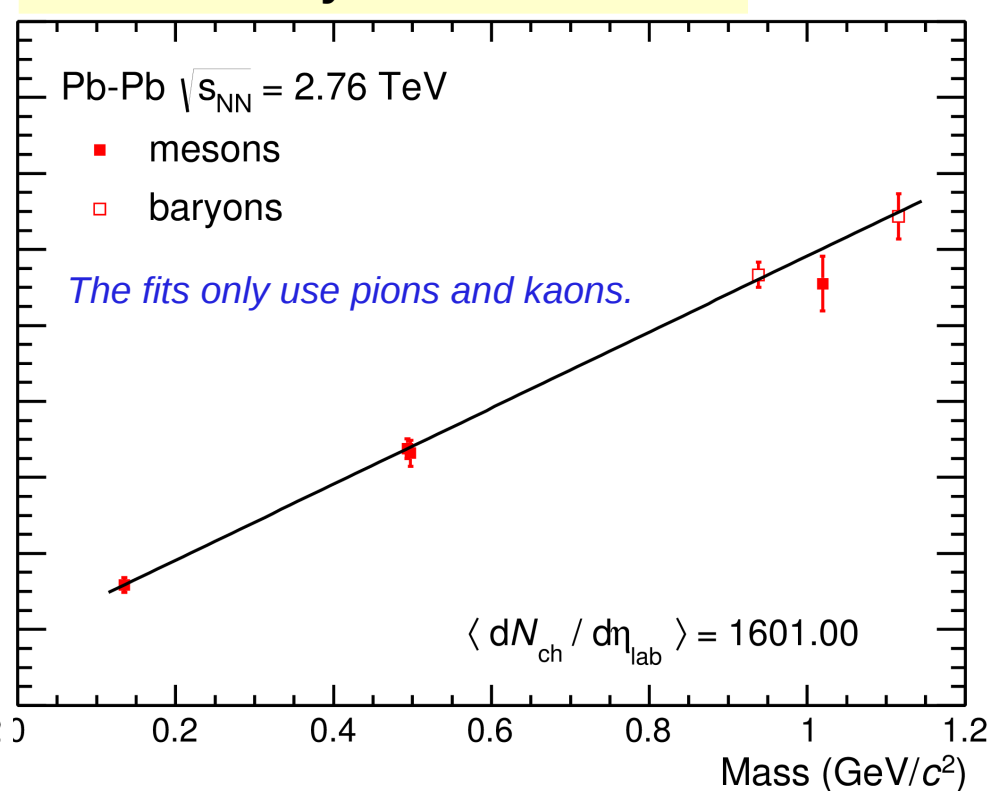
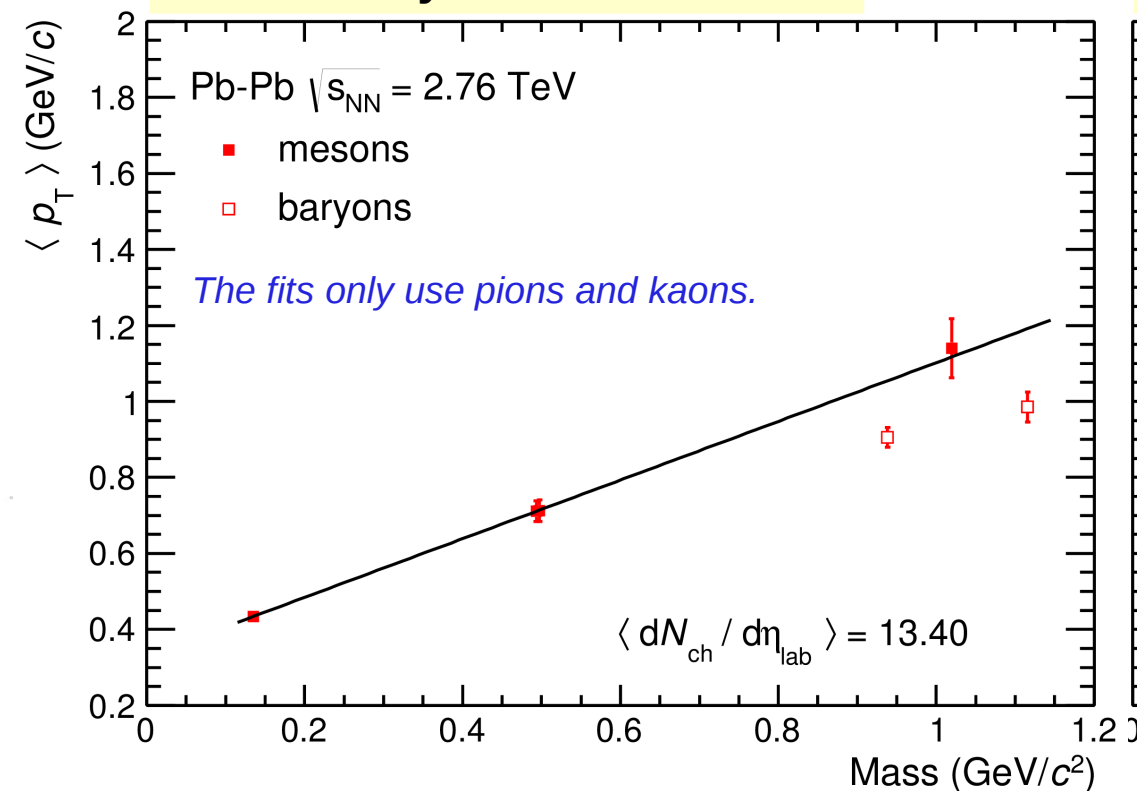
In central Pb-Pb collisions, the  $\phi$  meson  $\langle p_T \rangle$  is the same to that for protons.  
**Is this an universal scaling with hadron mass and not with  $m/n_q$ ?**

# $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs $m/n_q$ , comparison with Pb-Pb

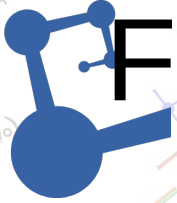
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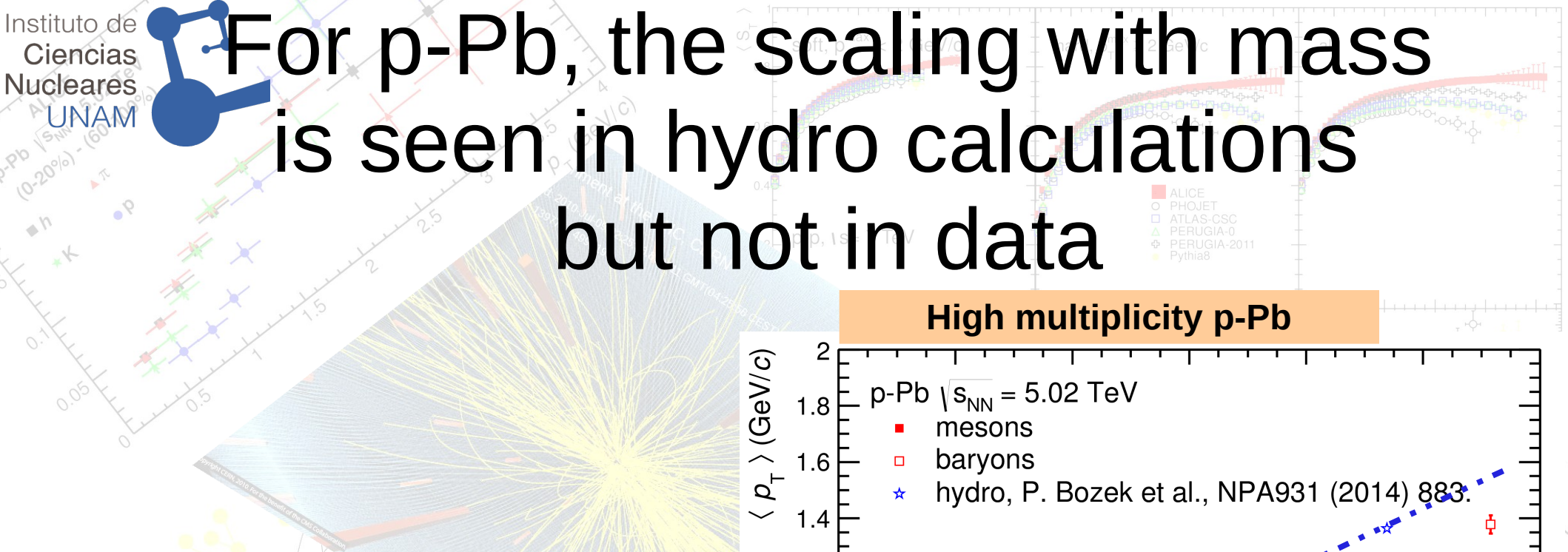
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Actually, the answer is YES, but this scaling is only observed in central (0-40%) Pb-Pb collisions (the effect is not present in p-Pb events).



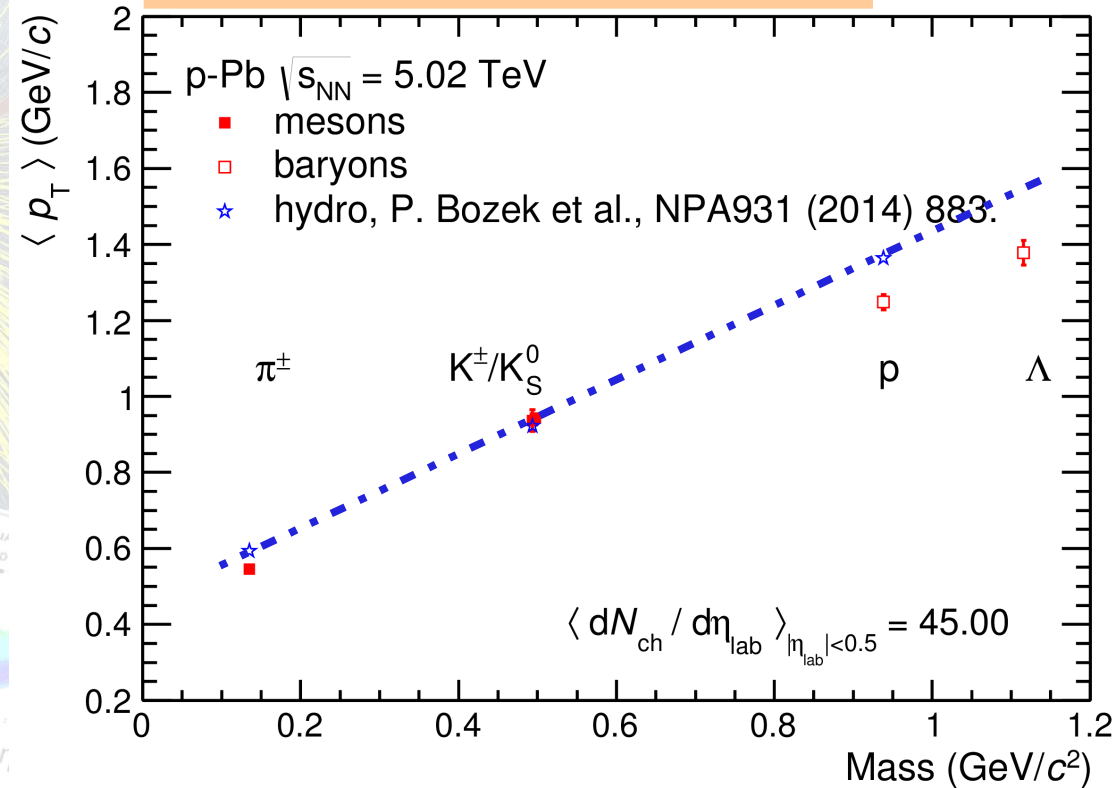
# For p-Pb, the scaling with mass is seen in hydro calculations but not in data



Actually, the calculations for p-Pb collisions gives a scaling of  $\langle p_T \rangle$  with the hadron mass. Here we do not observe the dependence with the number of quark constituents.

→ p-Pb data behave like Pythia with MPI and color reconnection.

## High multiplicity p-Pb



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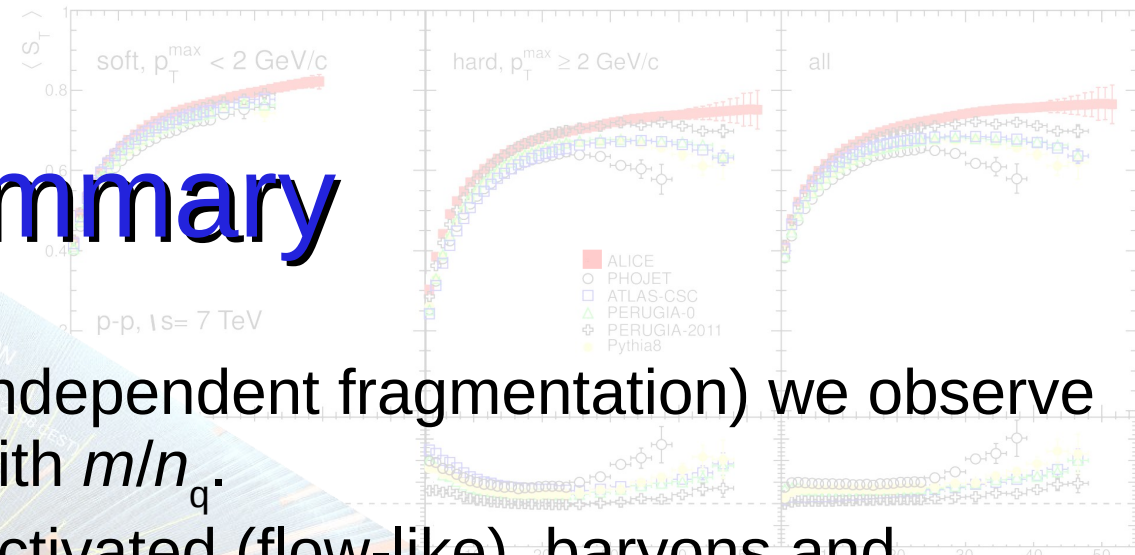
# Summary

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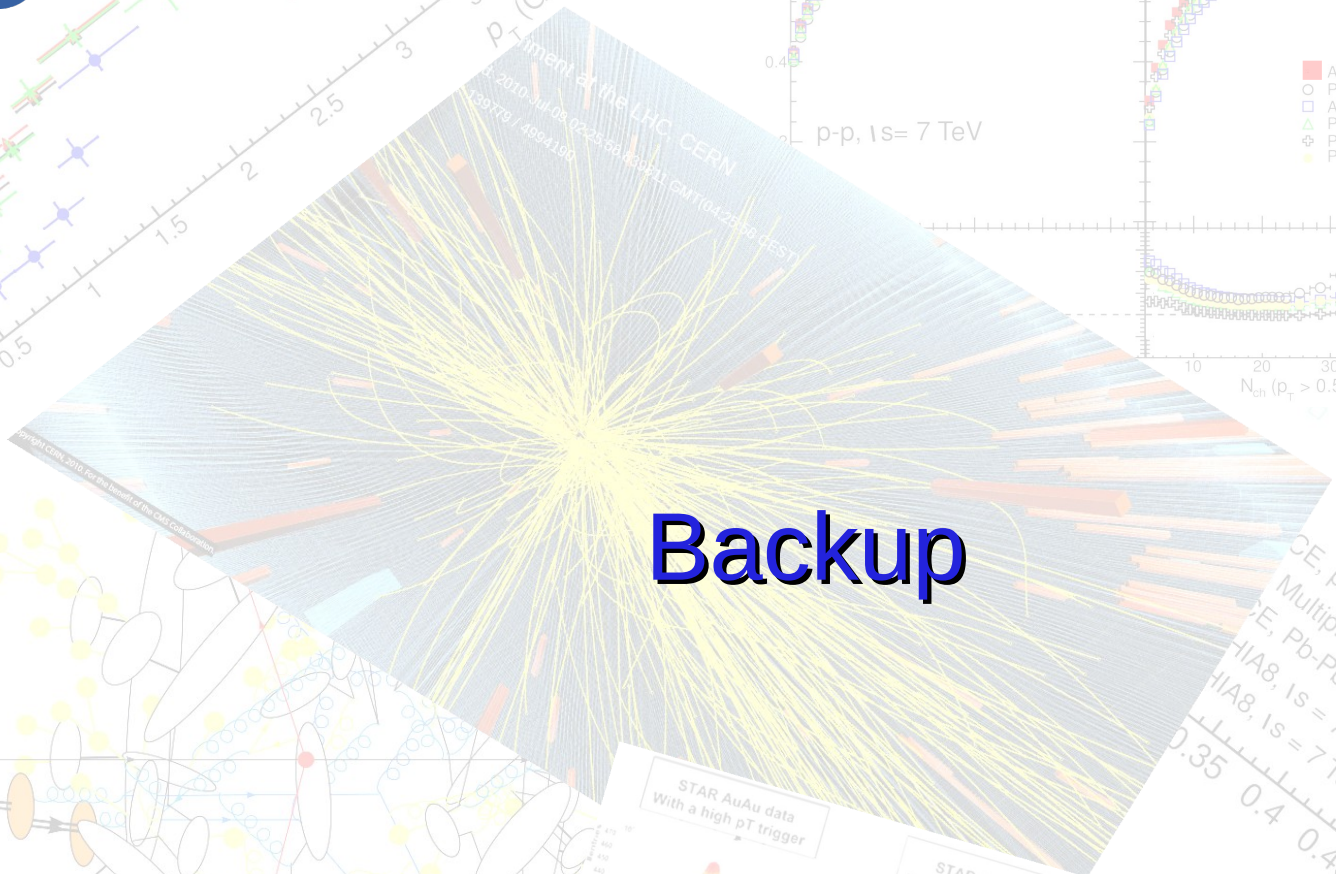
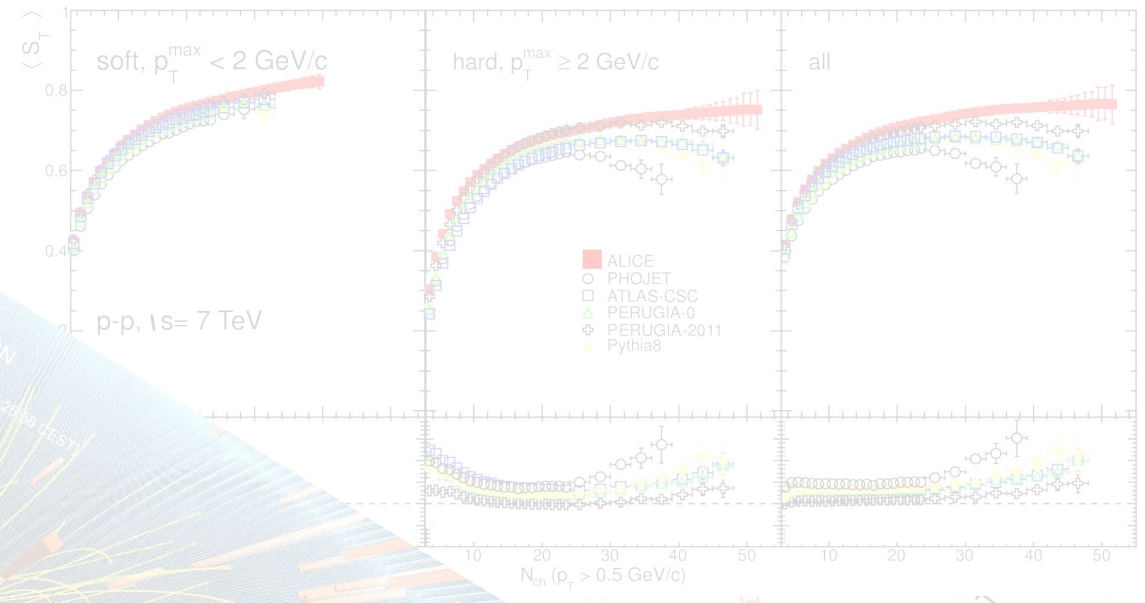
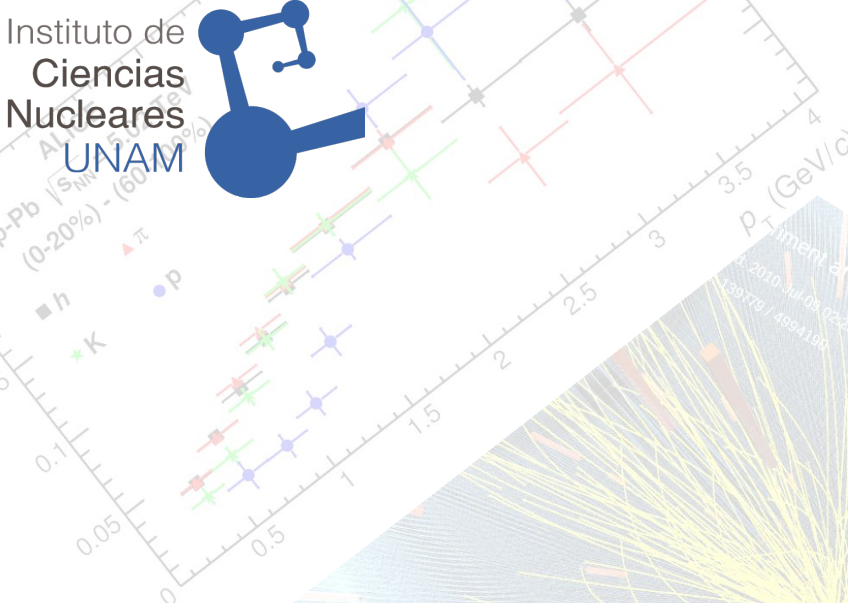
- Without color reconnection (independent fragmentation) we observe an universal scaling of  $\langle p_T \rangle$  with  $m/n_q$ .
- When color reconnection is activated (flow-like), baryons and mesons follow different linear trends,  $c_B > c_M$ , for low to semi-high multiplicity. At high multiplicity,  $c_B = c_M$ .

## From studies with data:

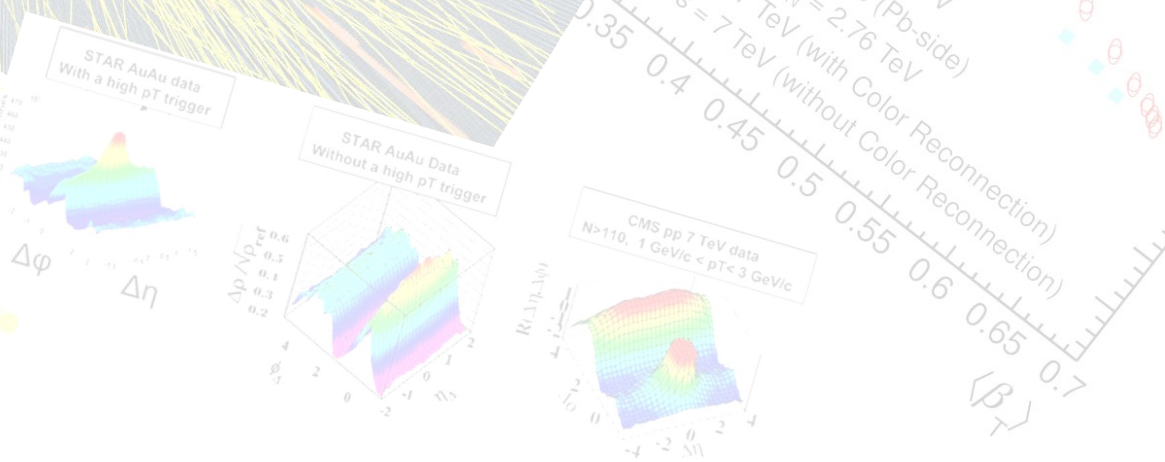
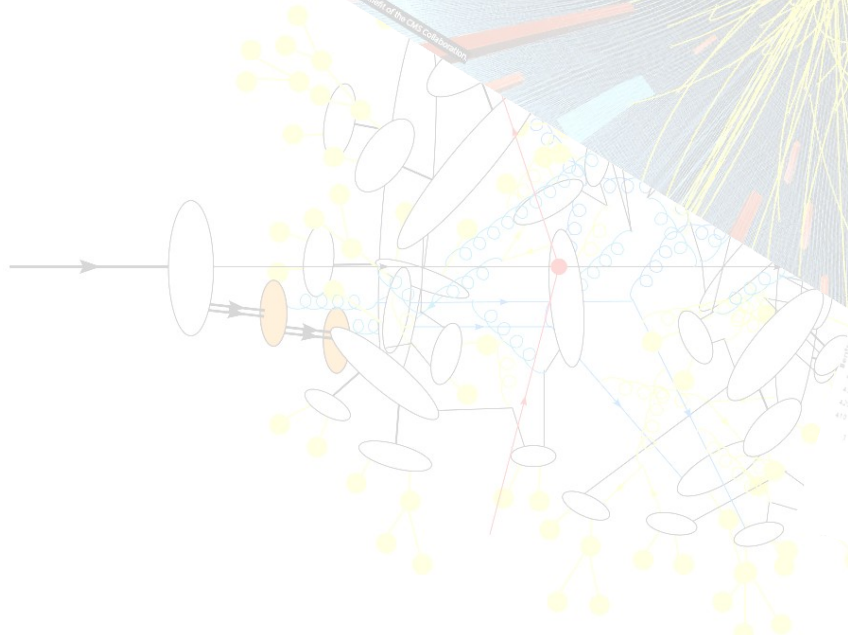
- pp, p-Pb and peripheral Pb-Pb data behave like Pythia with color reconnection. Is this an indication of flow-like in small systems?
- The central Pb-Pb collisions indicate an universal scaling of  $\langle p_T \rangle$  with  $m$ , and not with  $m/n_q$ .



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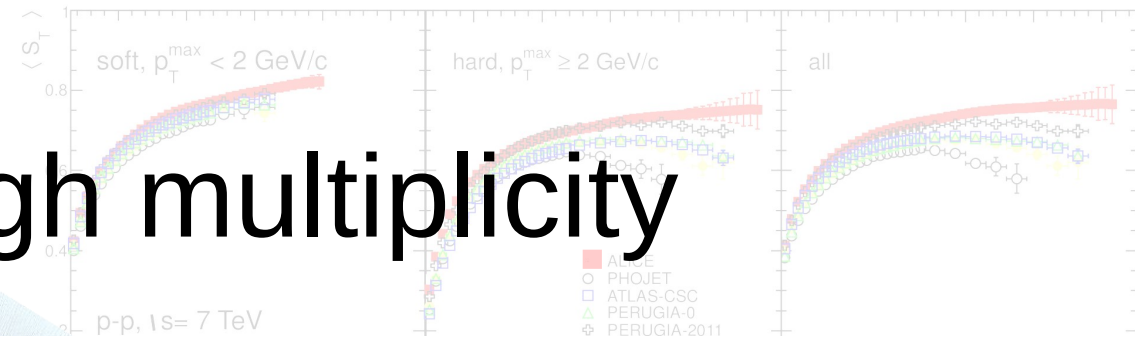
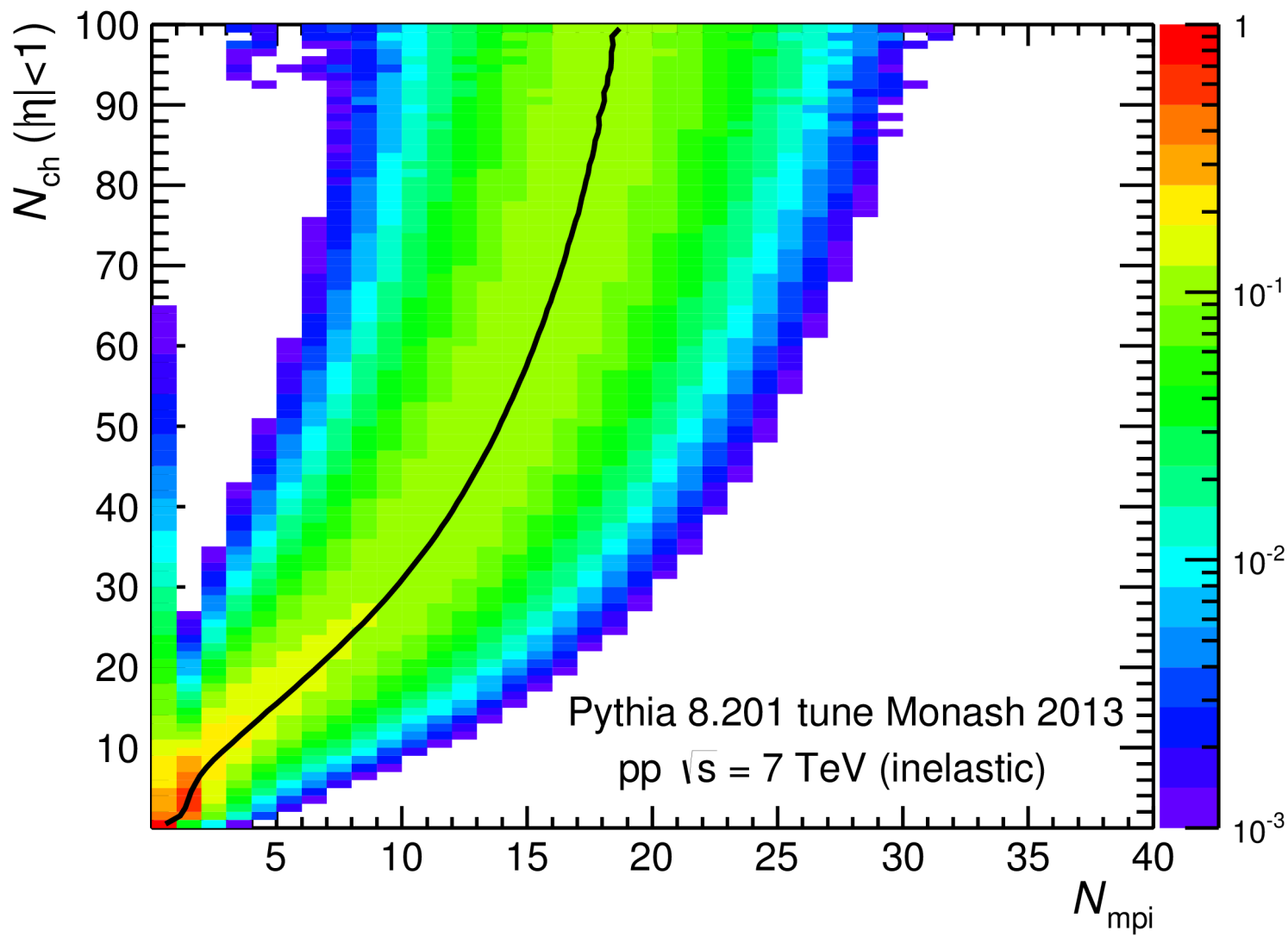


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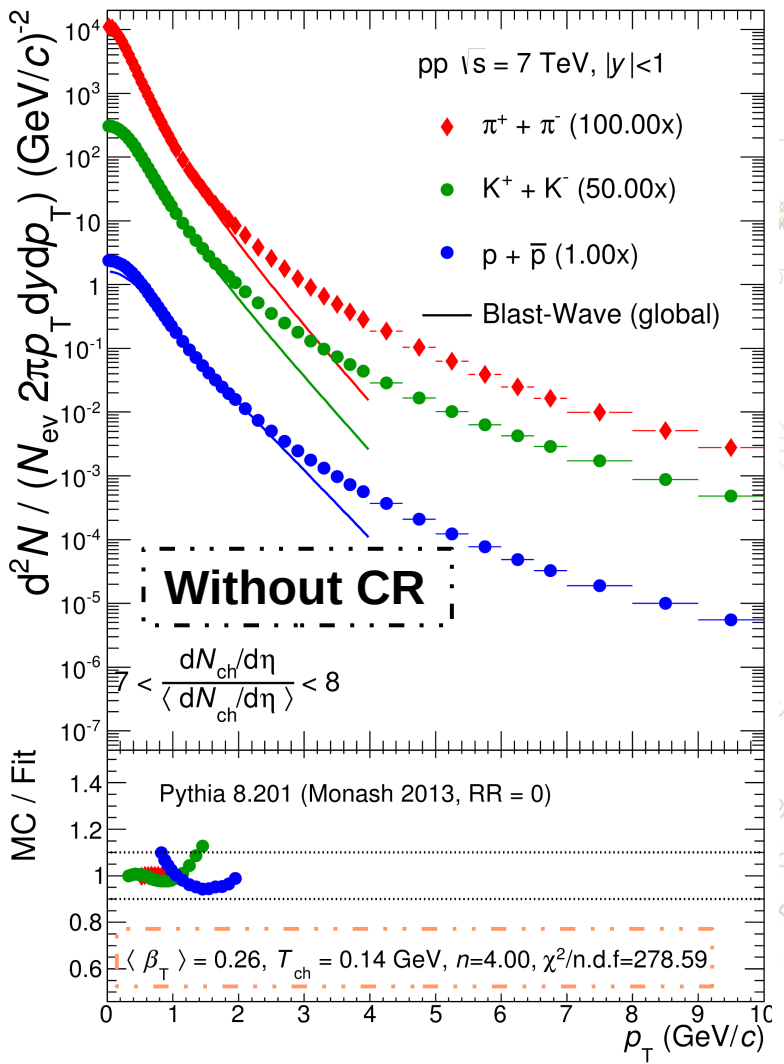
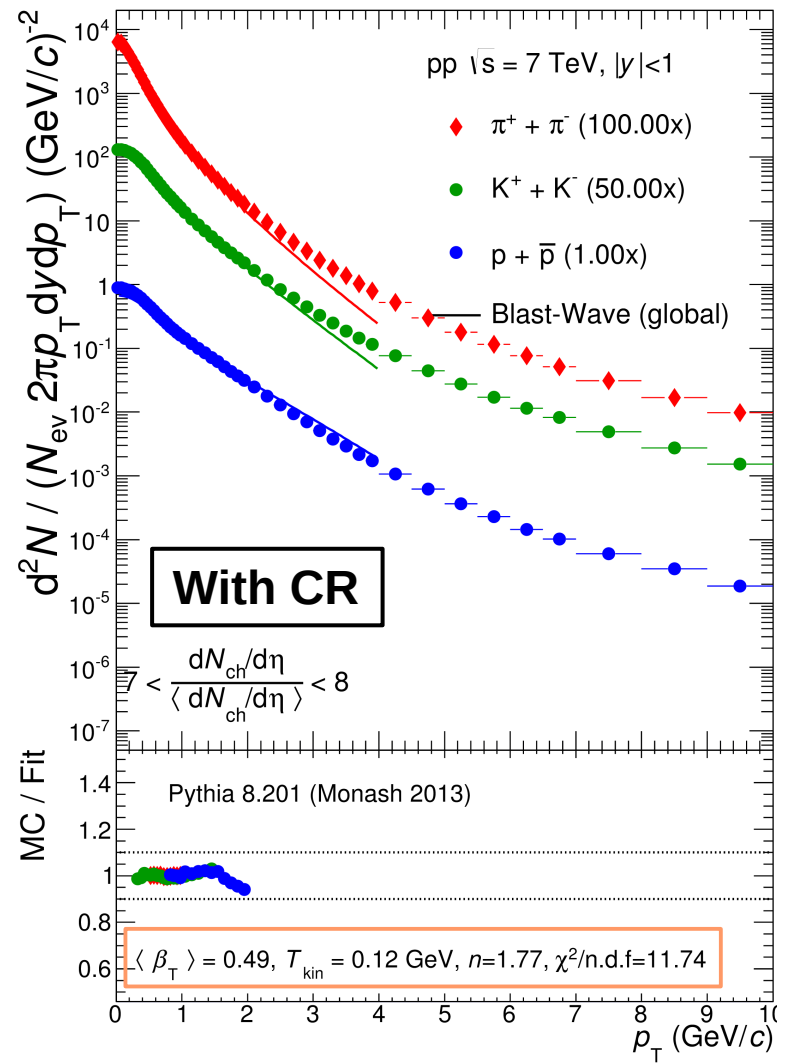
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# Pythia: high multiplicity



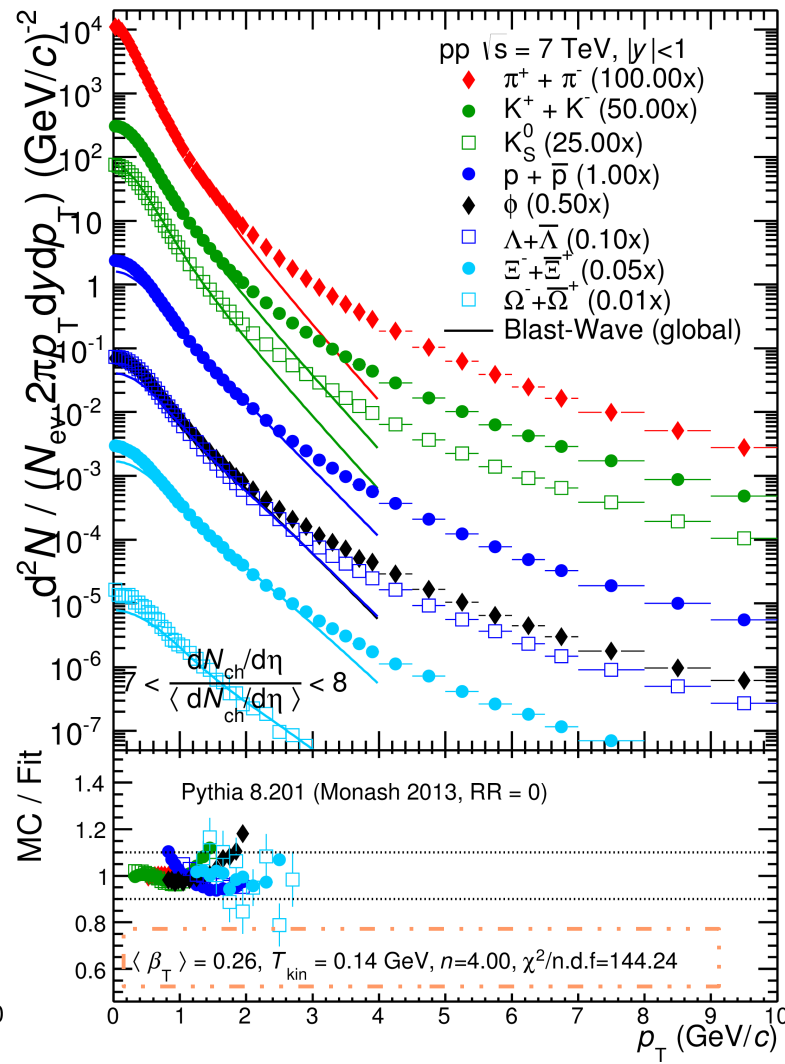
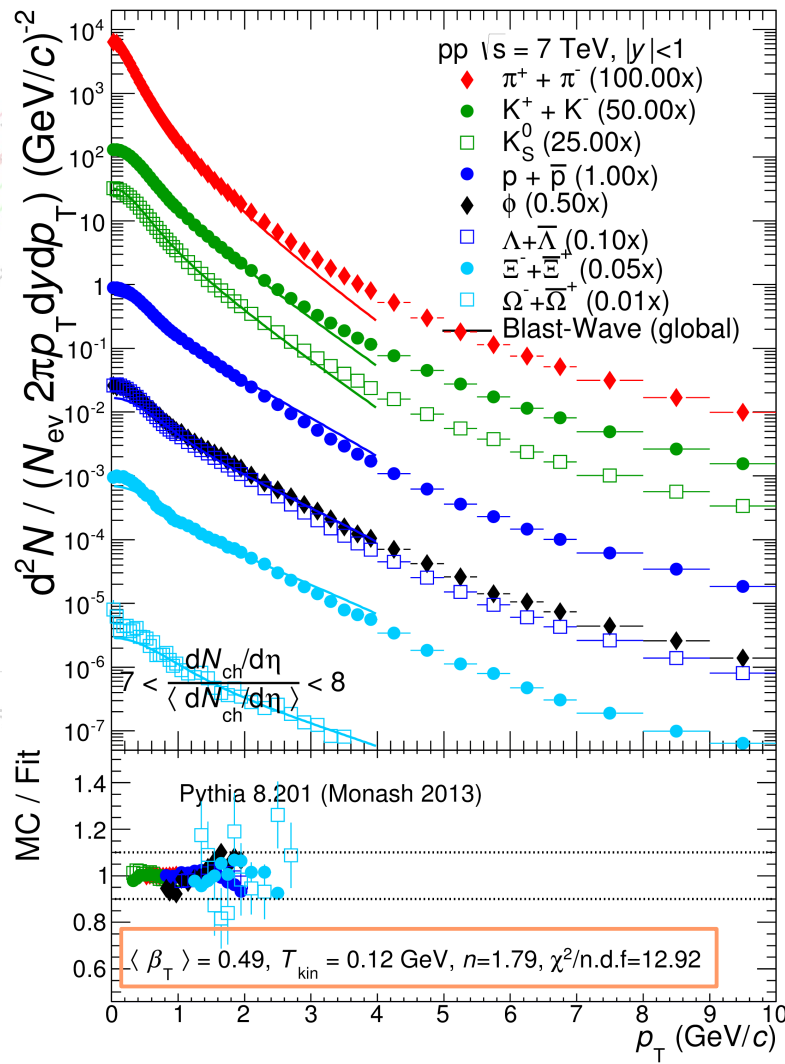


# Spectra at high multiplicity



Simultaneous blast-wave fit to the pion, kaon and proton spectra. Within 10% the spectra are well described by the model when color reconnection is on.

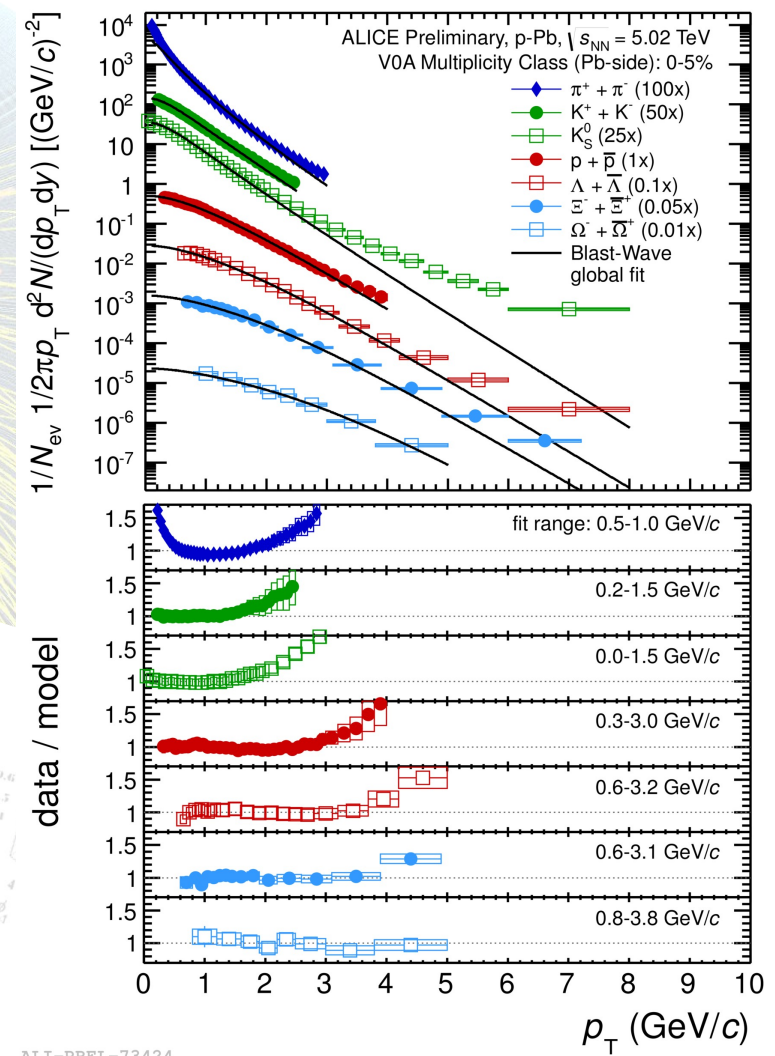
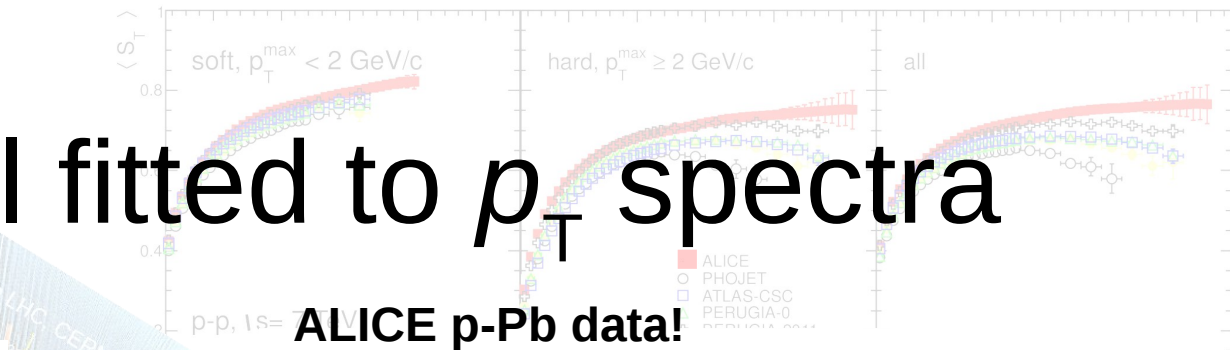
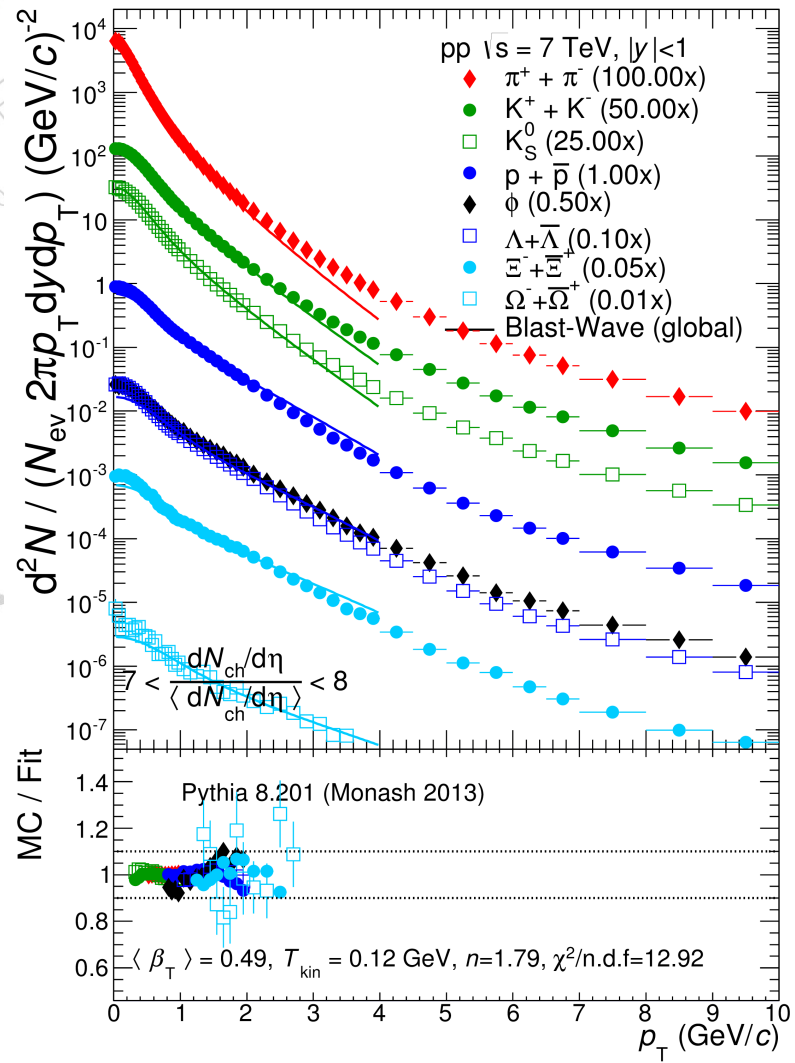
# Spectra at high multiplicity



Same result when heavier hadrons are included.

# Hydro model fitted to $p_T$ spectra

MC, Pythia CR, pp



# Color screening

Used to suppress the number of interactions, at low  $p_T$  and  $x$ ; if the wavelength  $\sim 1/p_T$  of an exchanged coloured parton becomes larger than a typical color-anticolor separation distance, it will only see an average colour charge that vanishes in the limit  $p_T \rightarrow 0$ , hence leading to suppressed interactions. This provides an infrared cutoff for MPI ( $p_{Tmin}$ ).

$$\frac{dp_T^2}{p_T^4} \rightarrow \frac{dp_T^2}{(p_T^2 + p_{Tmin}^2)^2}$$

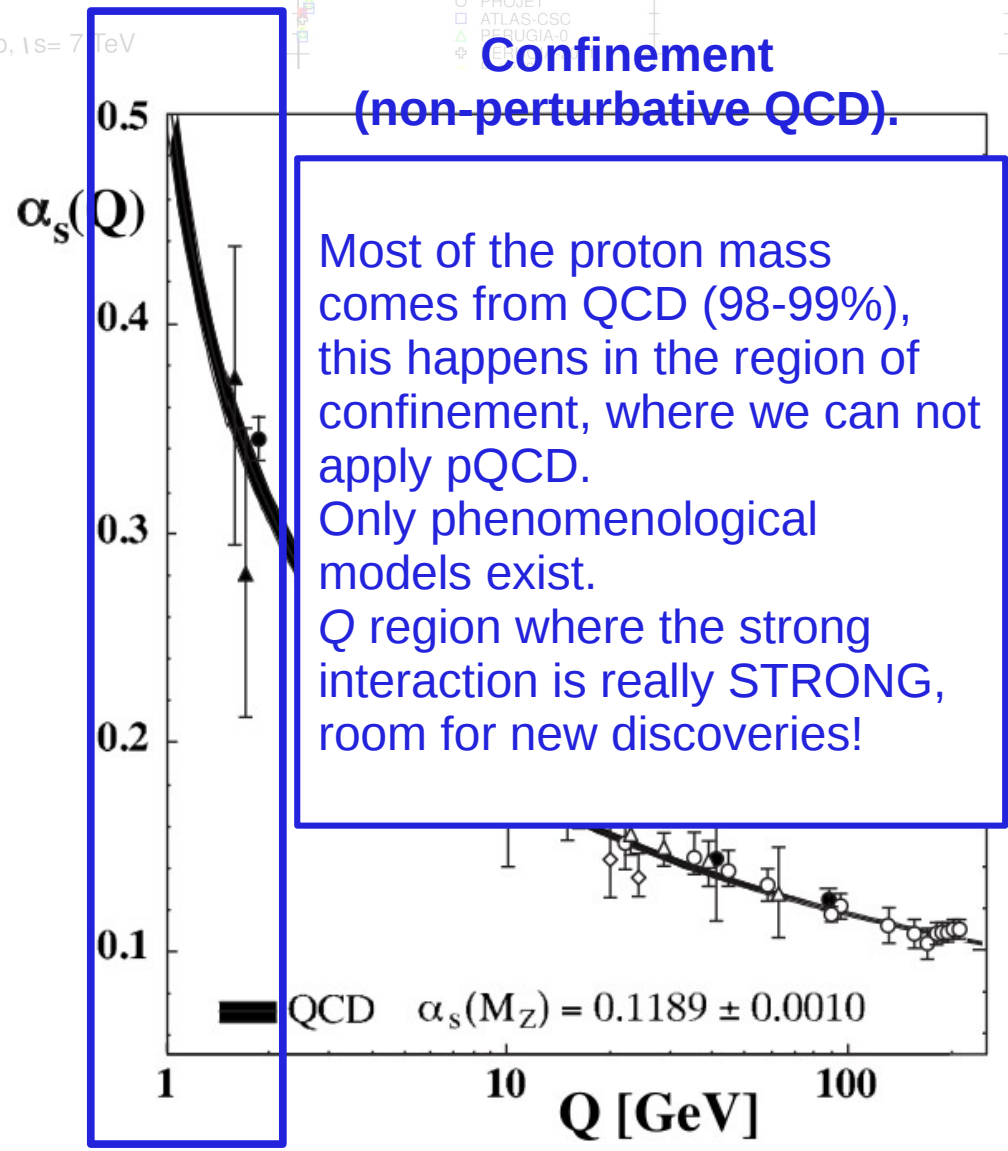
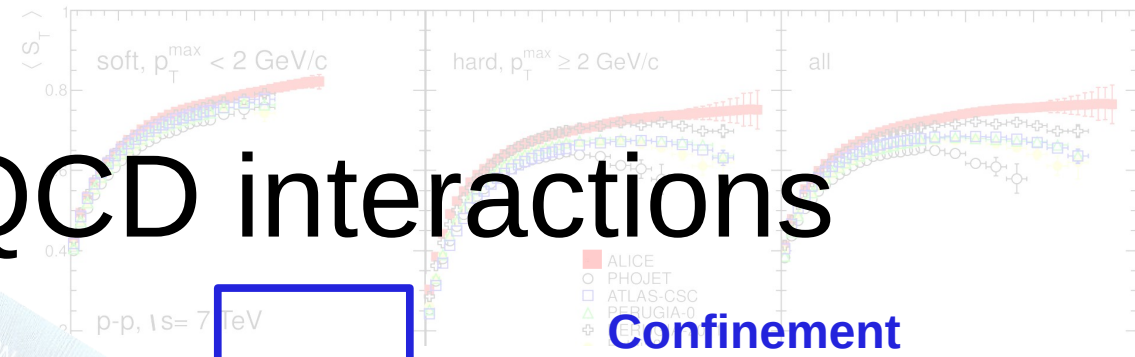
With  $p_{Tmin} \approx 1.5-2.0 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow$  finite MPI number.

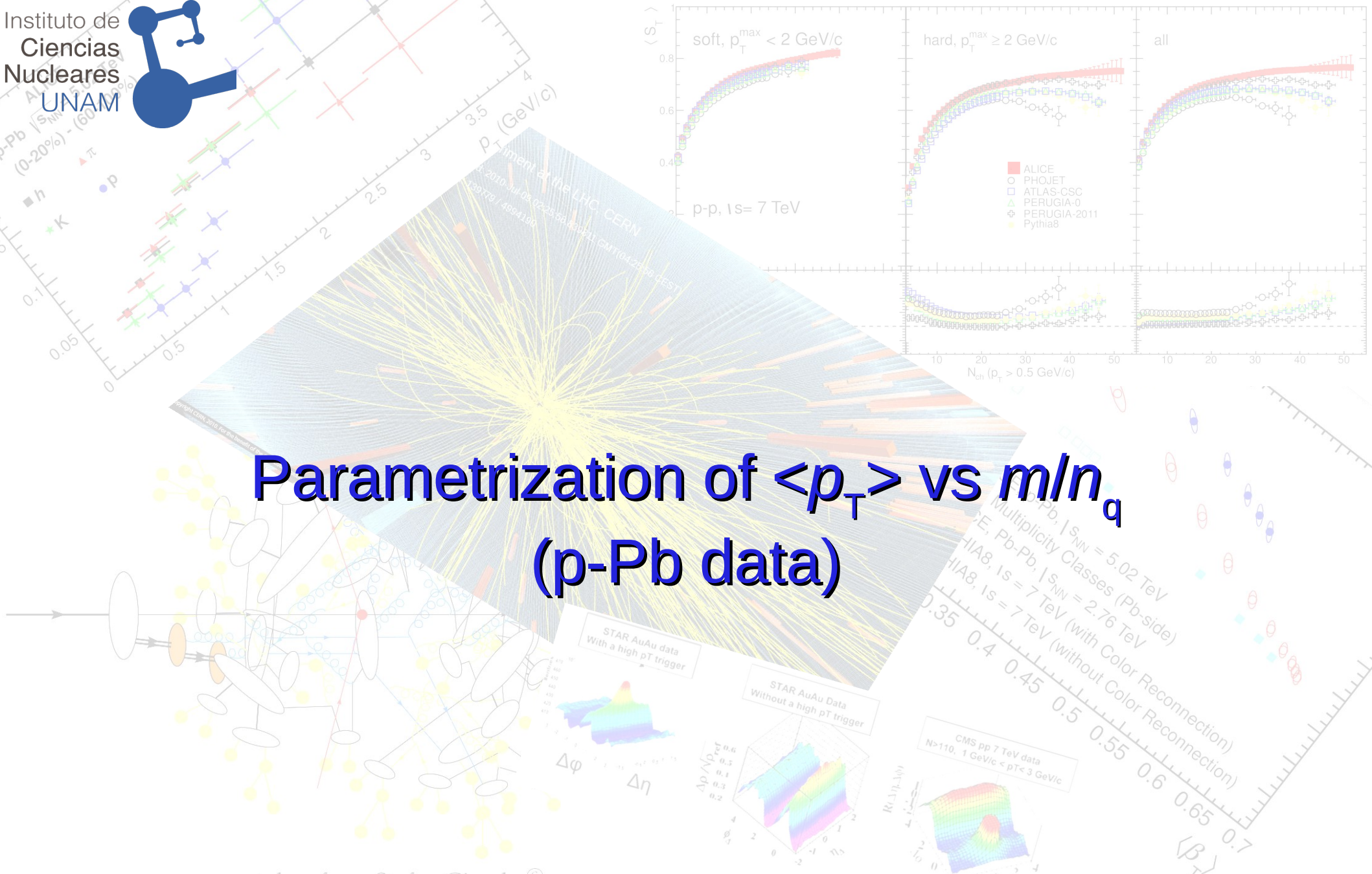
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# Strength of QCD interactions

- In QCD, quarks and gluons are the elementary degrees of freedom.
- Quarks and gluons carry “color charge” as an additional quantum number.
- A pronounced variation (“running”) of the strong fine structure constant with (space-time) distance or momentum transfer  $Q$ .

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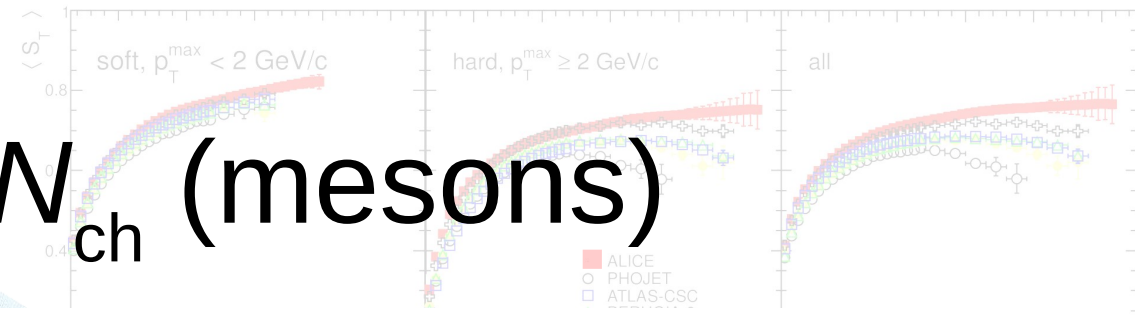




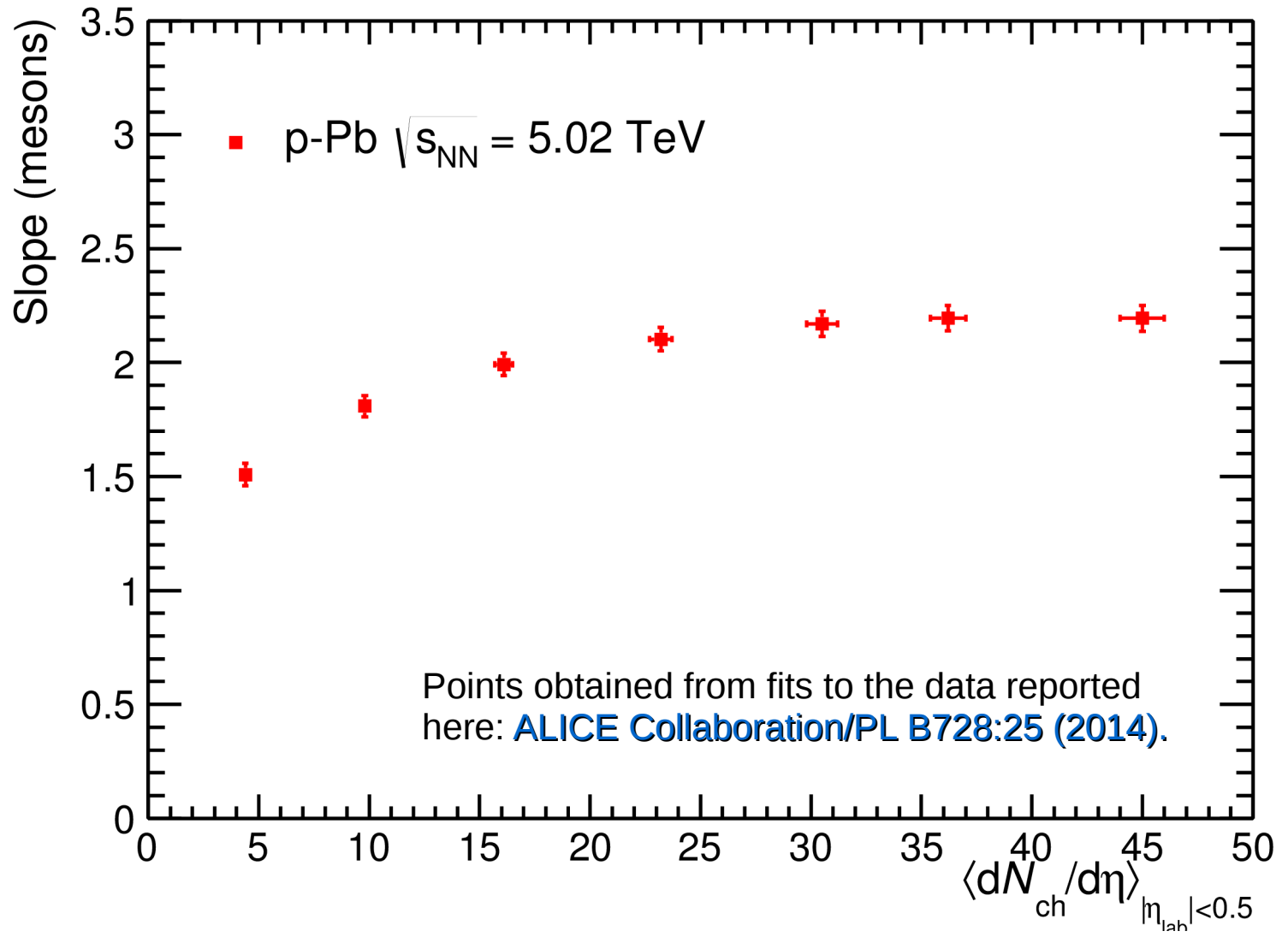
# Parametrization of $\langle p_T \rangle$ vs $m/\ln q$ (p-Pb data)

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# Slope vs $N_{ch}$ (mesons)

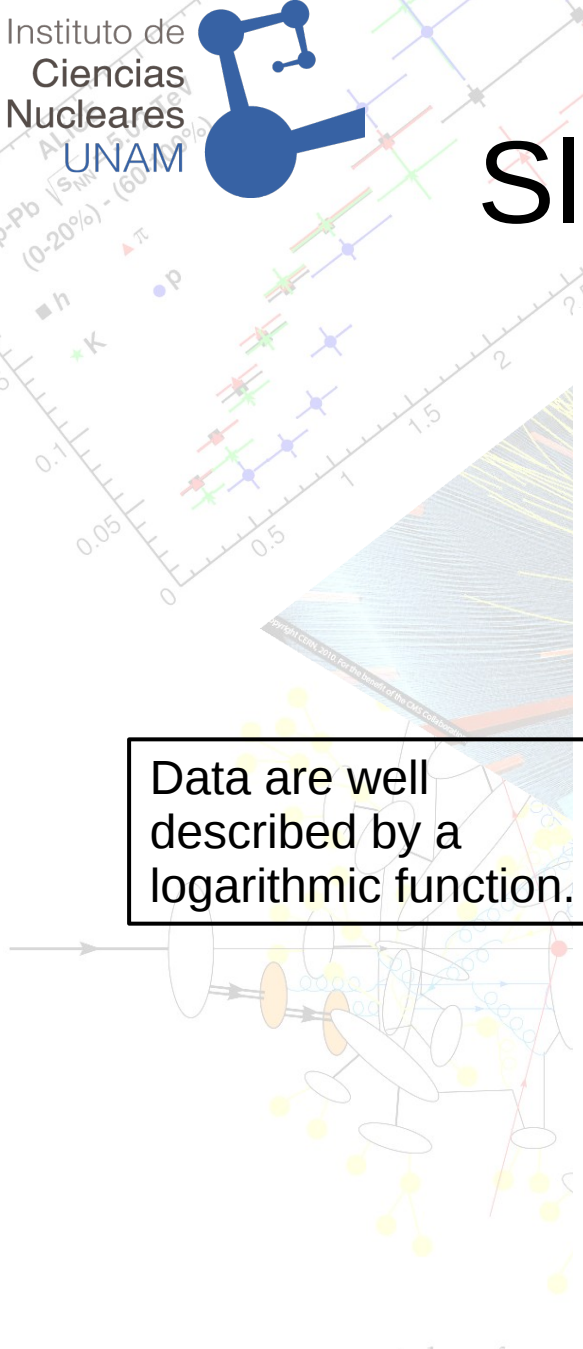
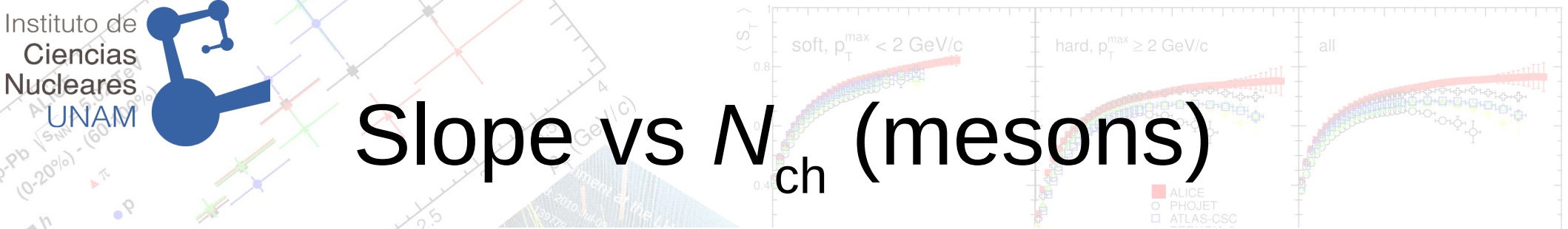


The slope increases with the event multiplicity, then it shows a weaker rise.

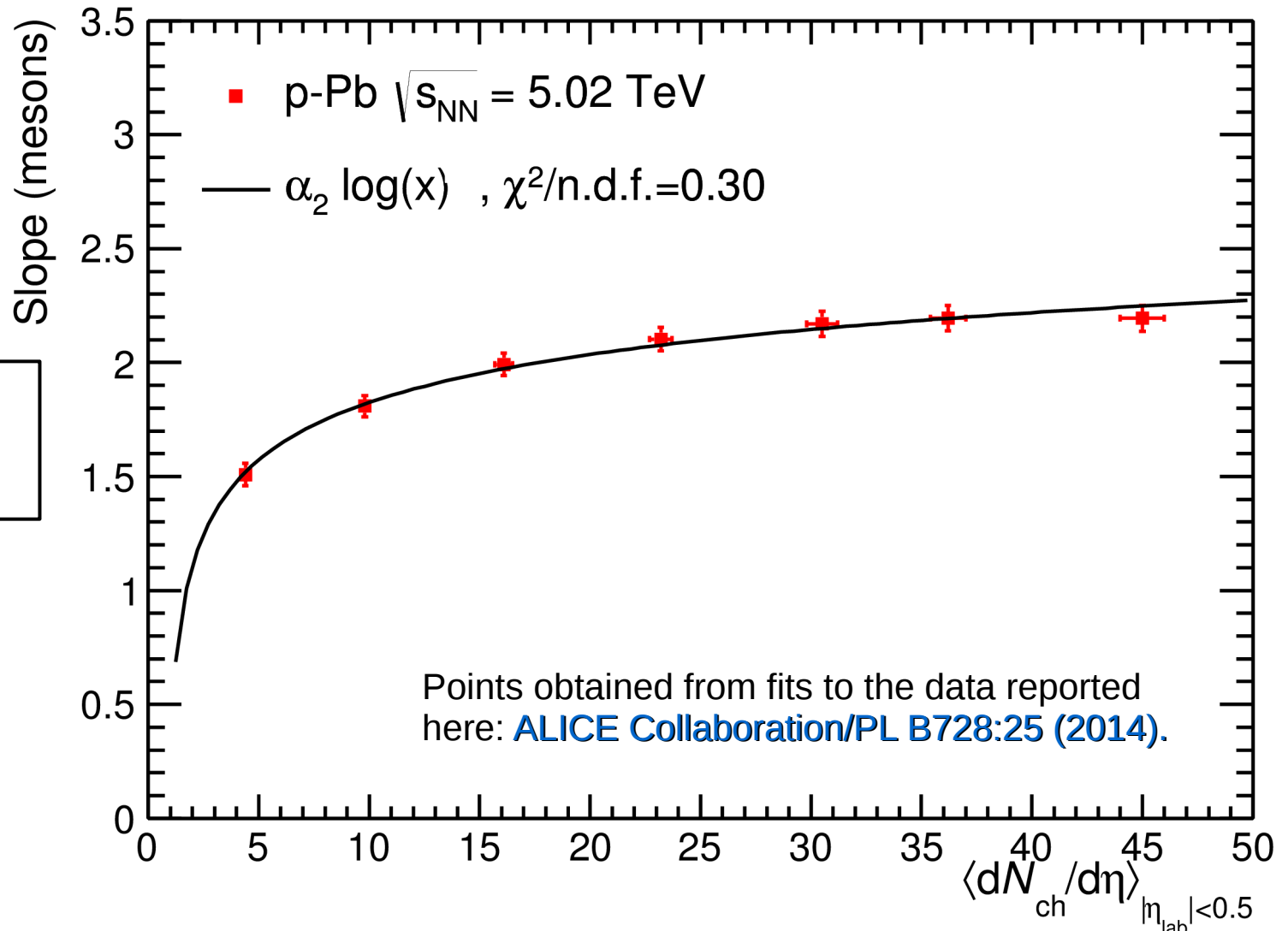


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# Slope vs $N_{ch}$ (mesons)

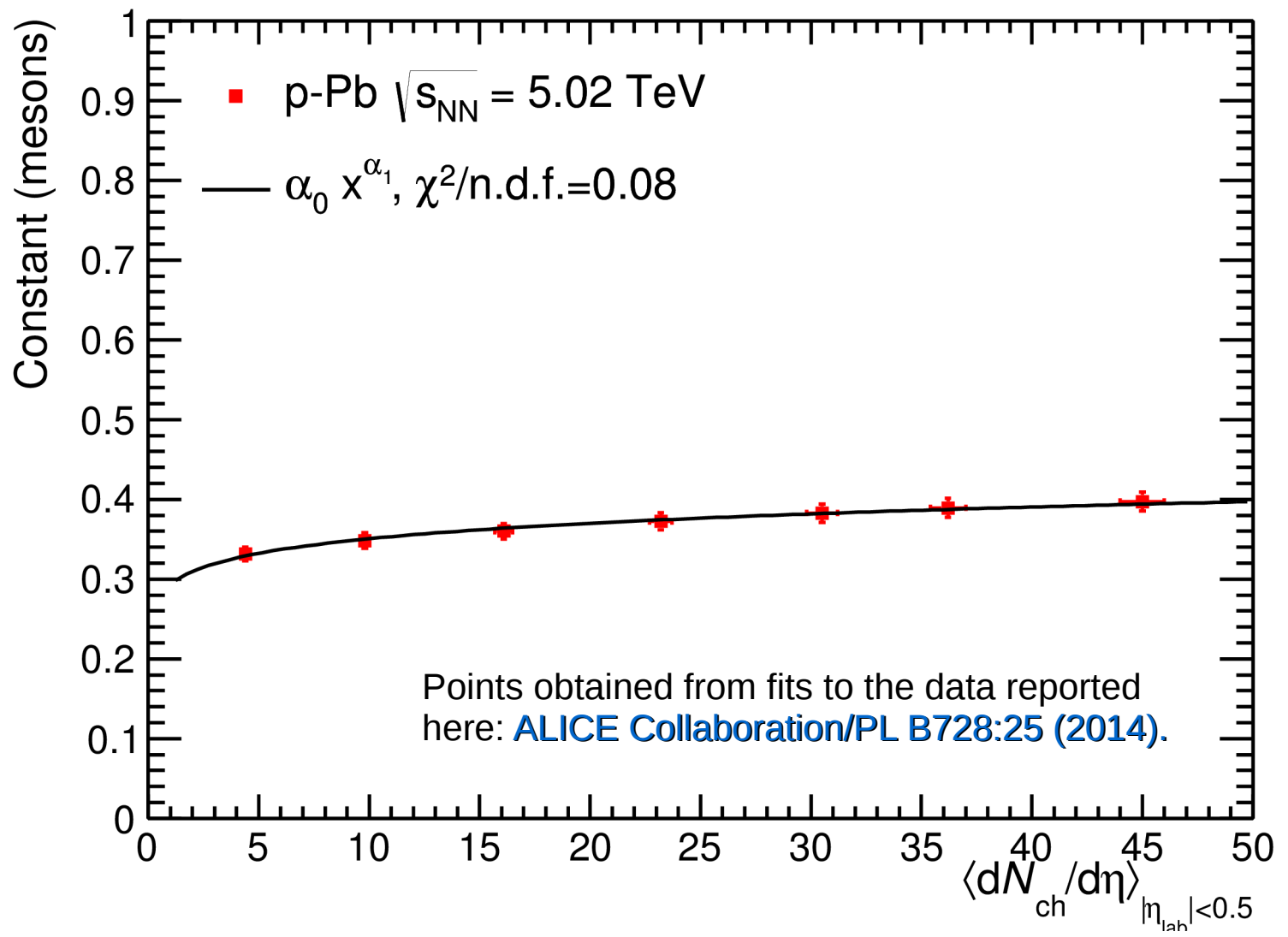
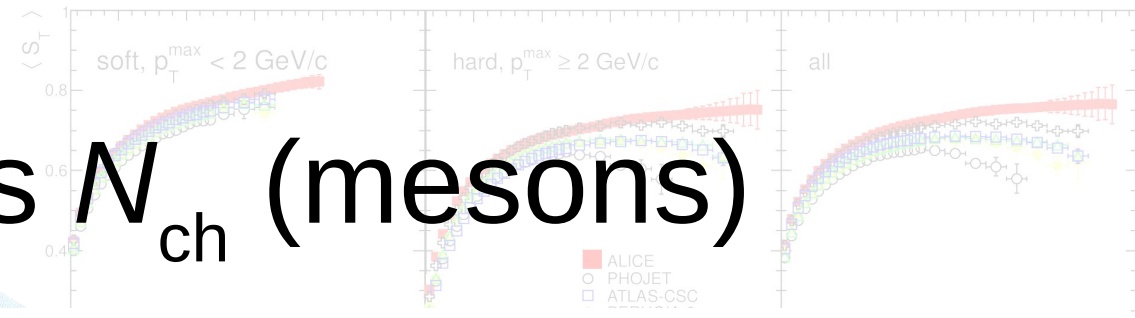


Data are well described by a logarithmic function.





# Constant vs $N_{ch}$ (mesons)



The constant vs multiplicity can be described by a power law function.

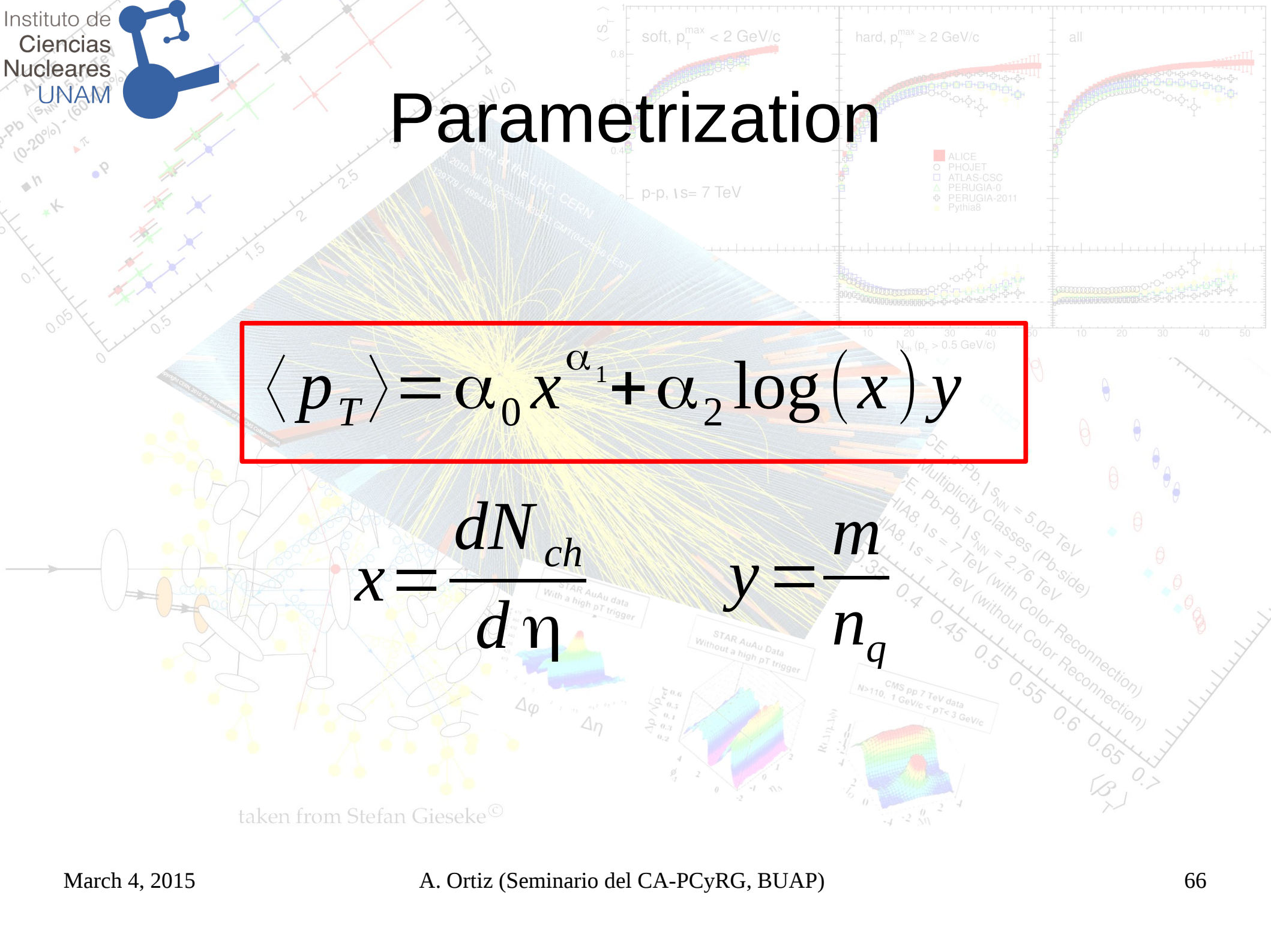
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# Parametrization

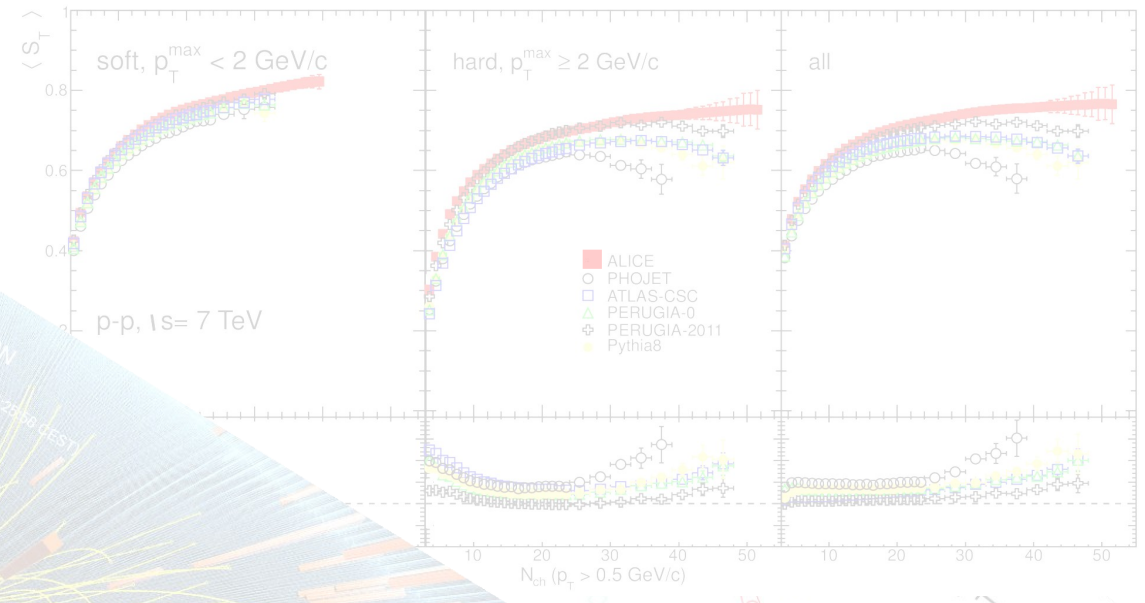
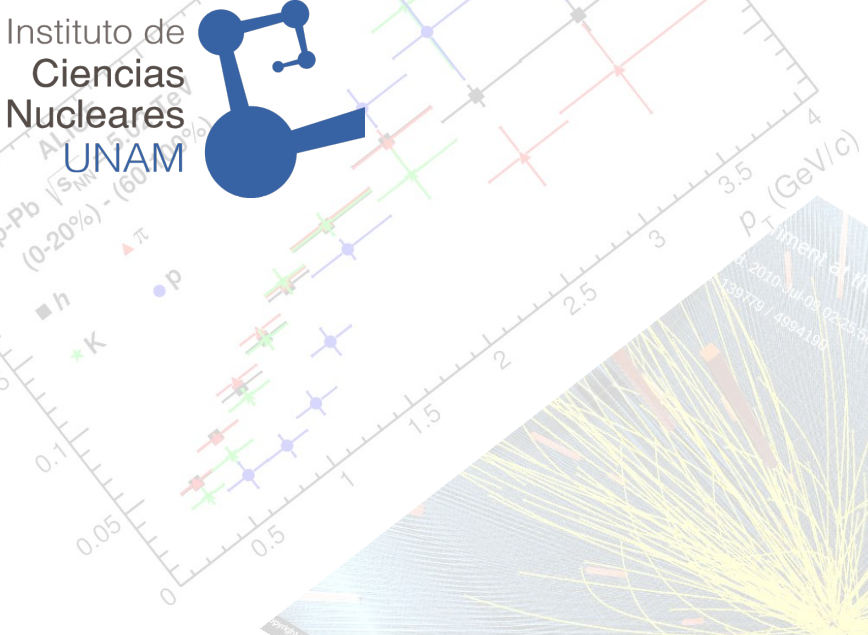
$$\langle p_T \rangle = \alpha_0 x^{\alpha_1} + \alpha_2 \log(x) y$$

$$x = \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta}$$

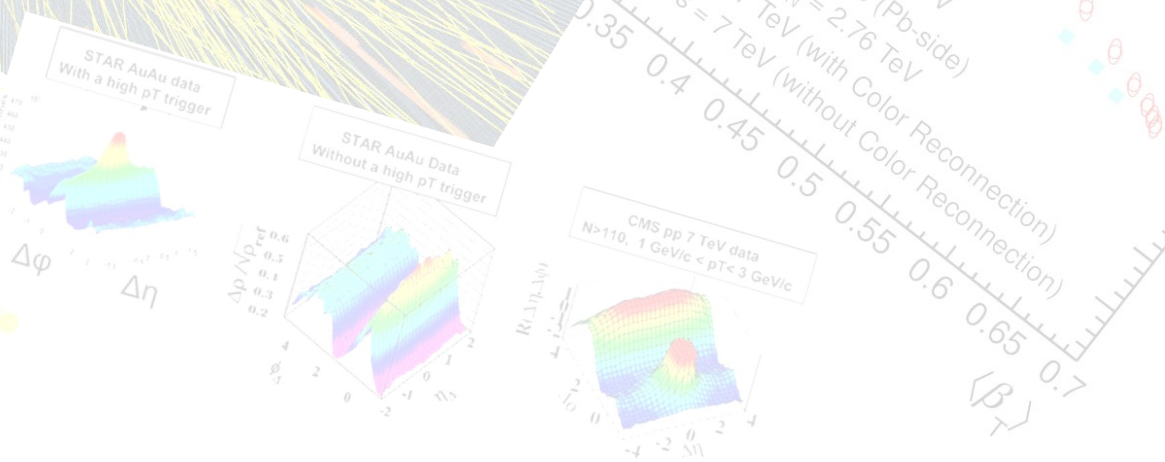
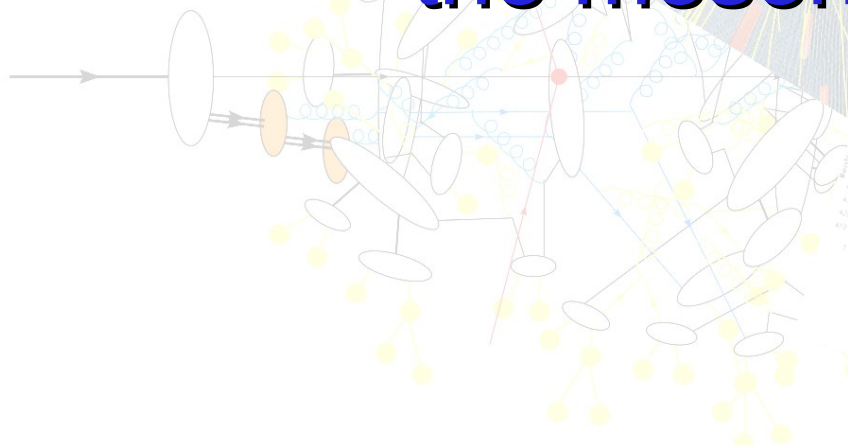
$$y = \frac{m}{n_q}$$



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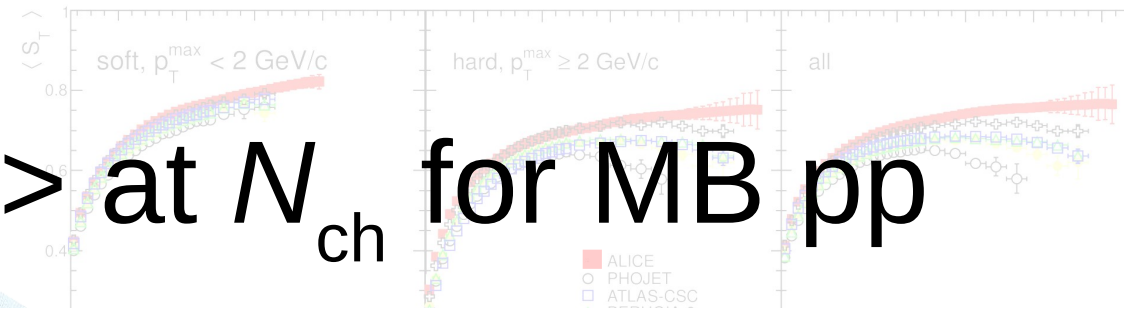
# Using the parametrization to explain the meson $\langle p_T \rangle$ in MB pp data



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# Evaluating $\langle p_T \rangle$ at $N_{ch}$ for MB pp

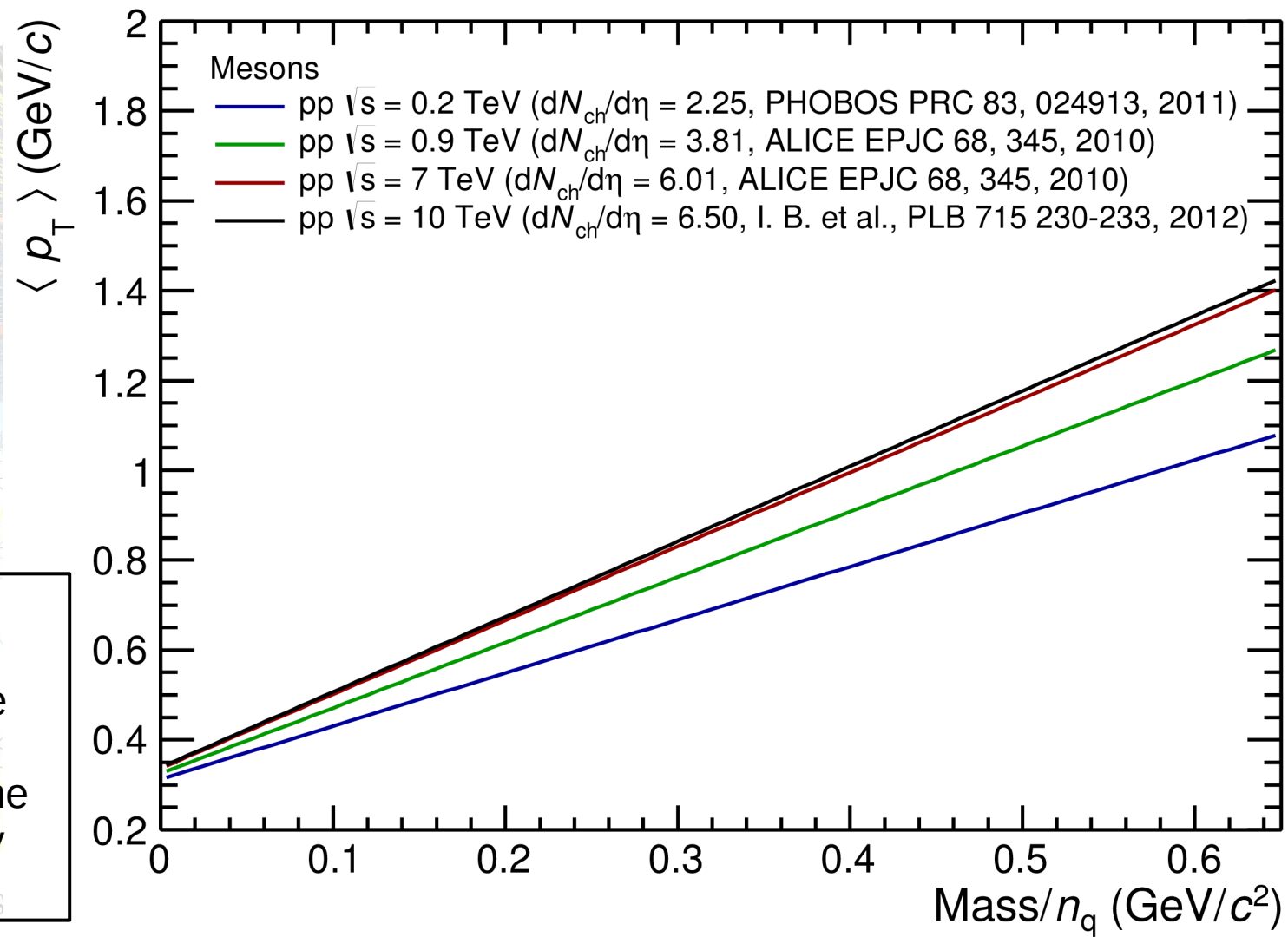


$$\langle p_T \rangle = \alpha_0 x^{\alpha_1} + \alpha_2 \log(x) y$$

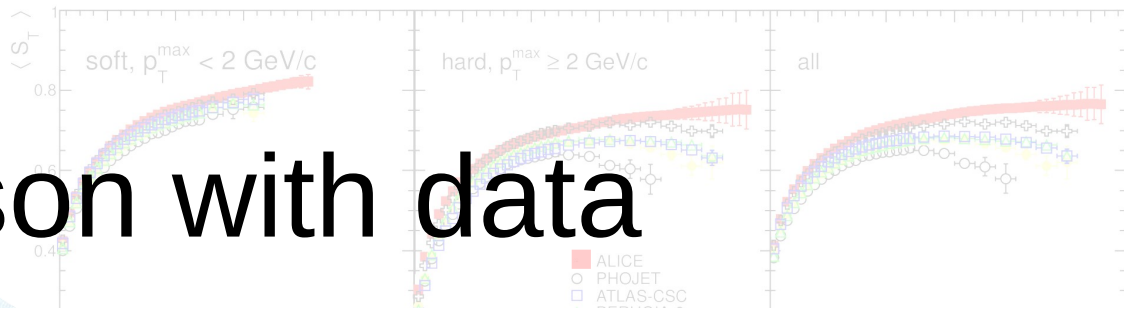
$$x = \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \quad y = \frac{m}{n_q}$$

A prediction for higher center-of-mass energy is included. Modest increase for pp at  $\sqrt{s} = 10$  TeV, with respect to 7 TeV, due to the expected small multiplicity increase.

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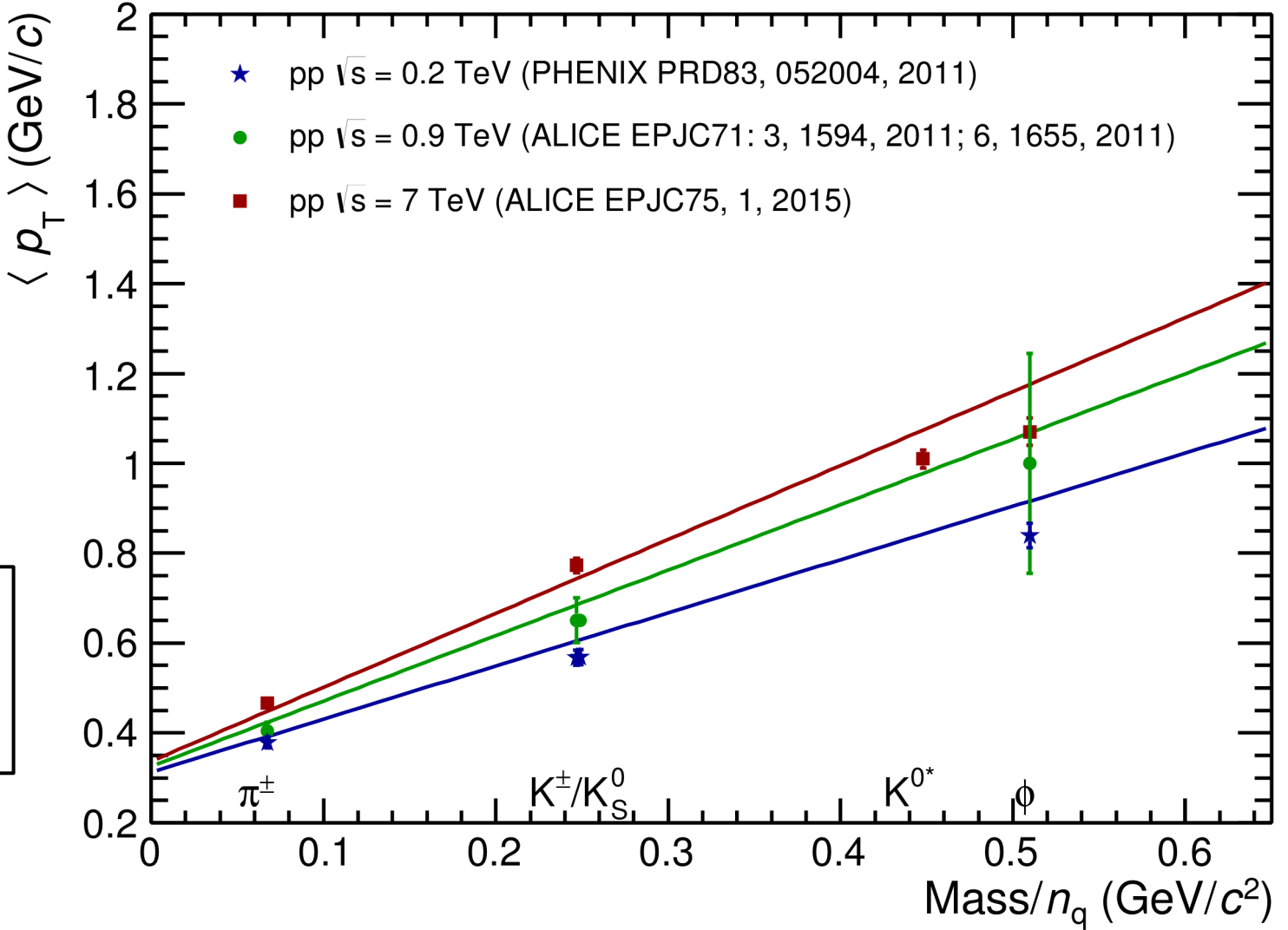
# Comparison with data



$$\langle p_T \rangle = \alpha_0 x^{\alpha_1} + \alpha_2 \log(x) y$$

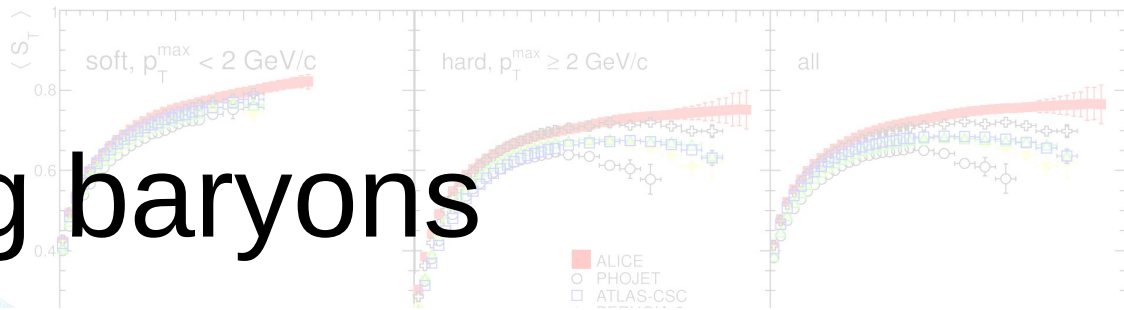
$$x = \frac{dN_{ch}}{d\eta} \quad y = \frac{m}{n_q}$$

The multiplicity-based parametrization describes qualitatively well the behavior of data.

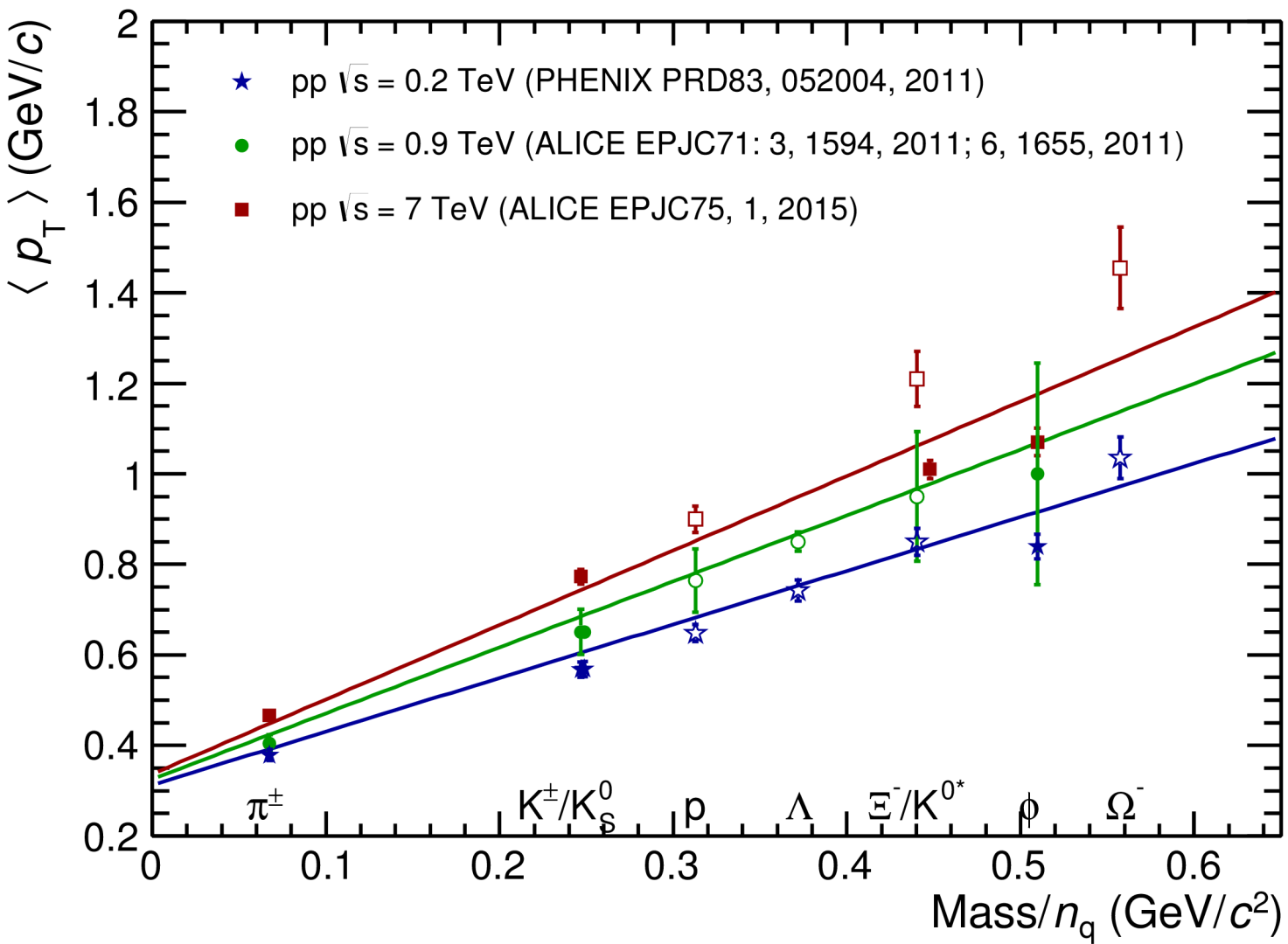


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# Adding baryons

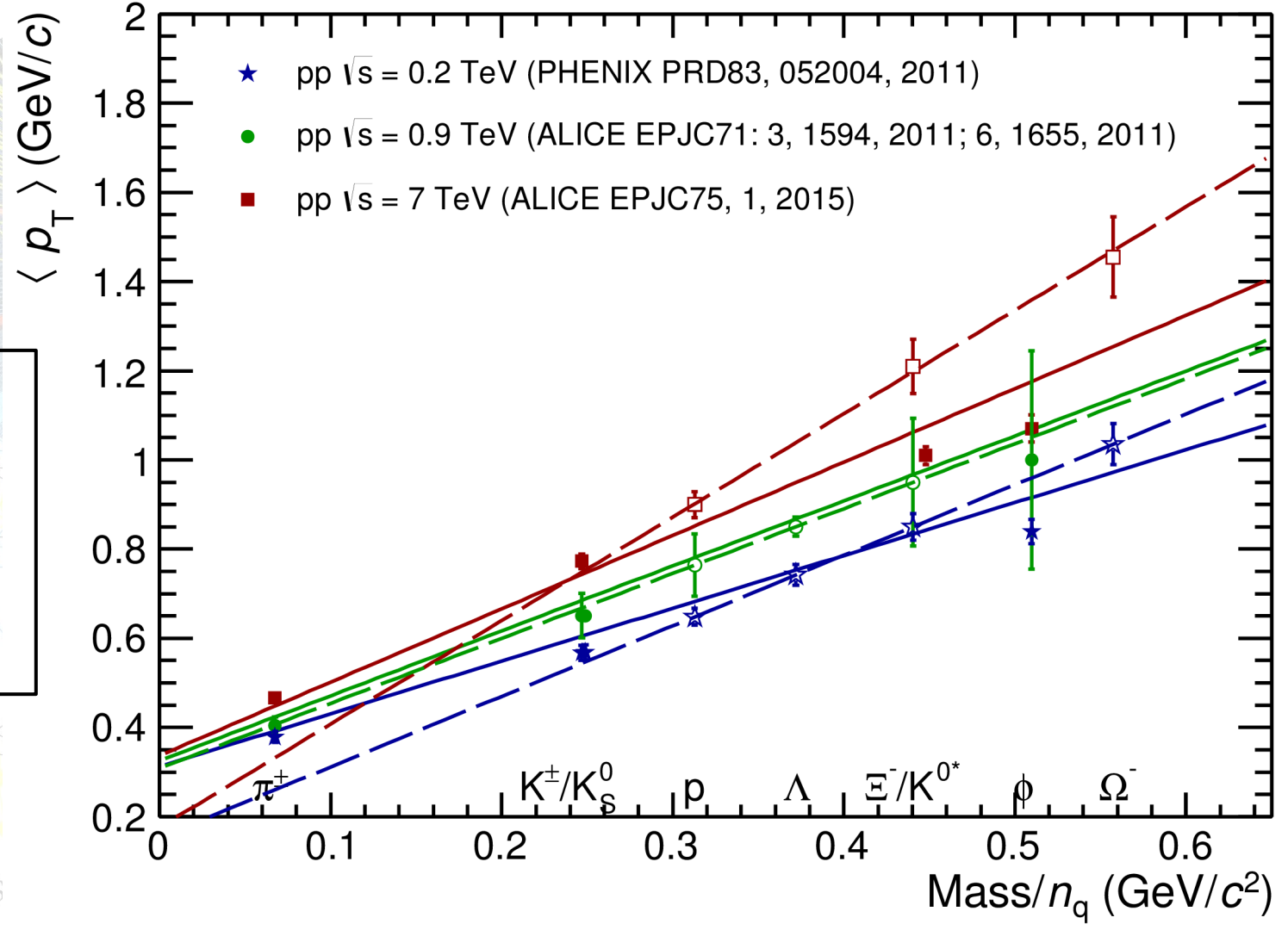
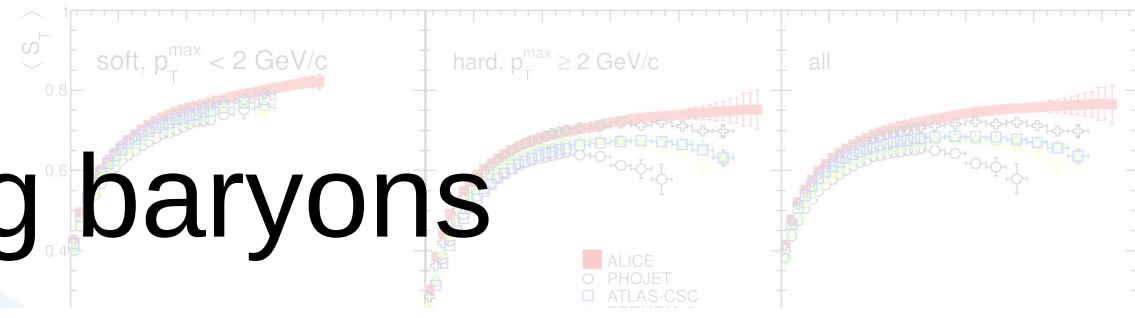


The large uncertainties on the baryon  $\langle p_T \rangle$  measured in p-Pb data do not allow to extract the parametrization. Here we only show the behavior of pp data.



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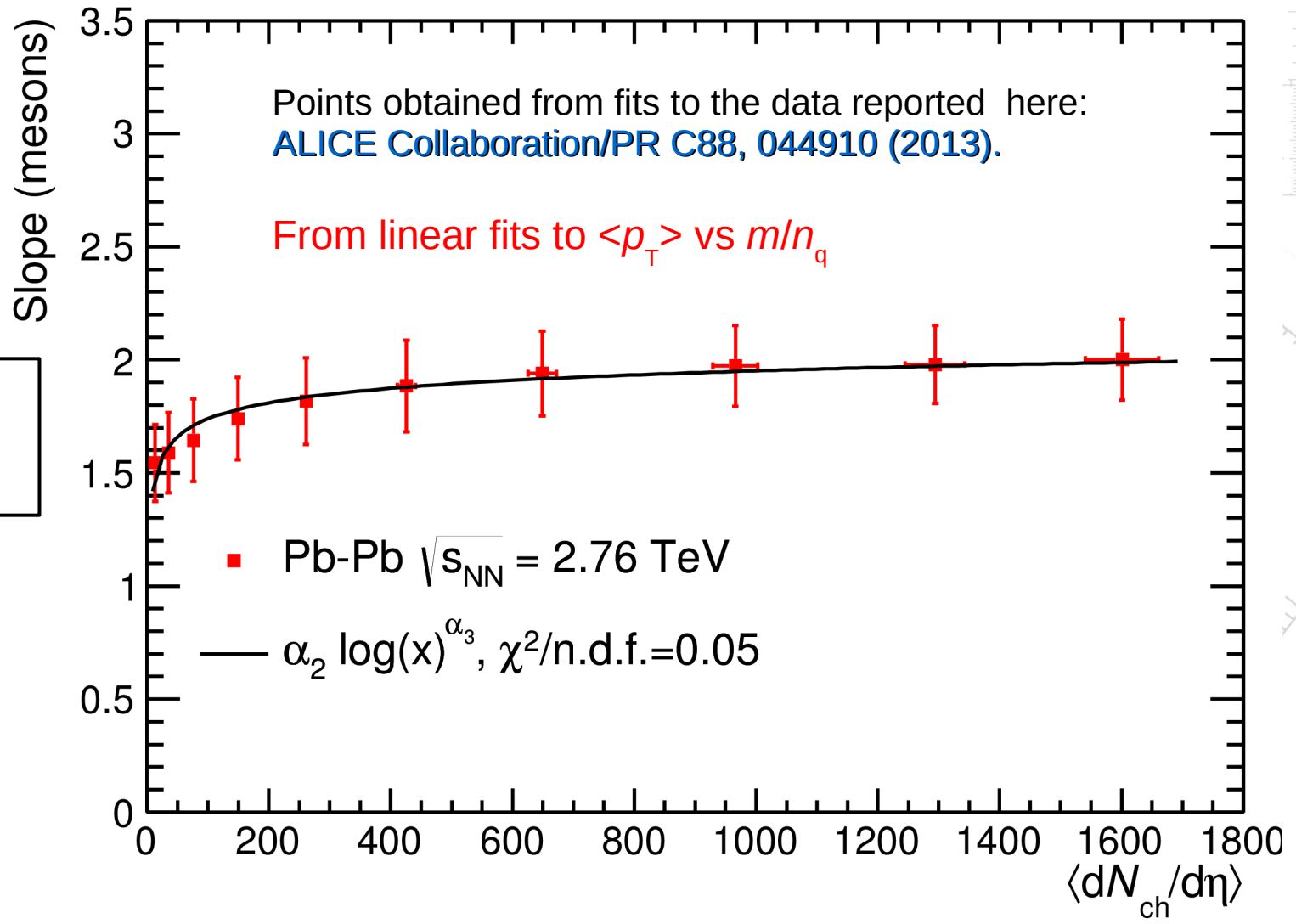
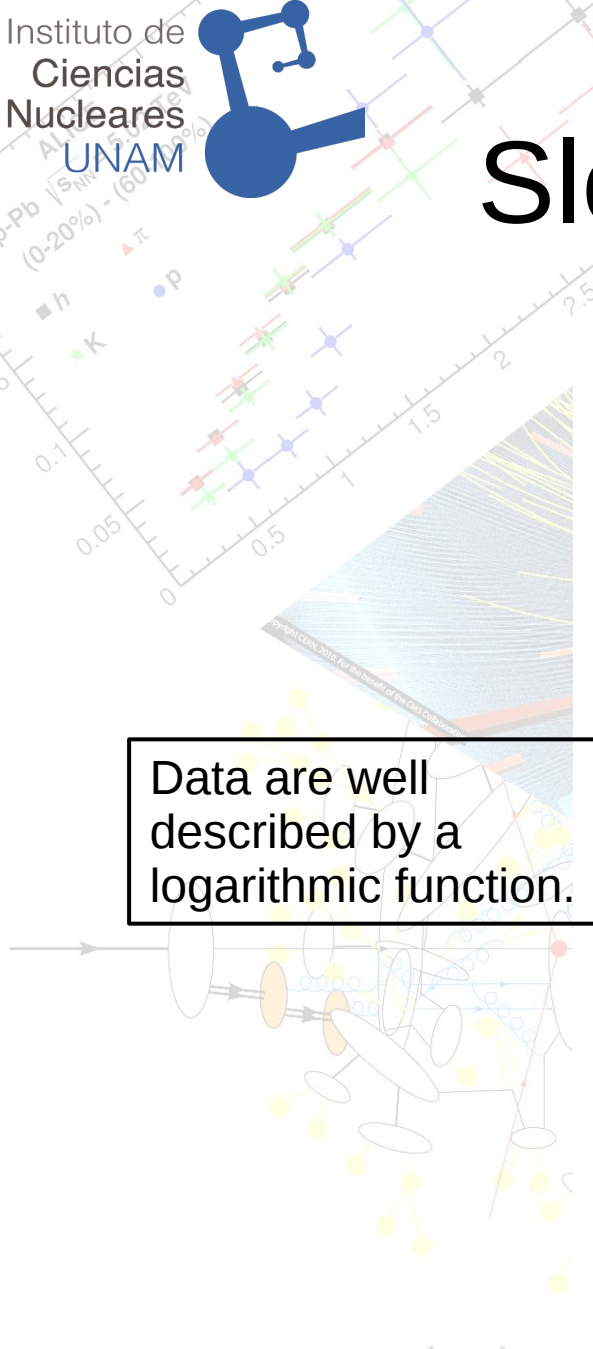
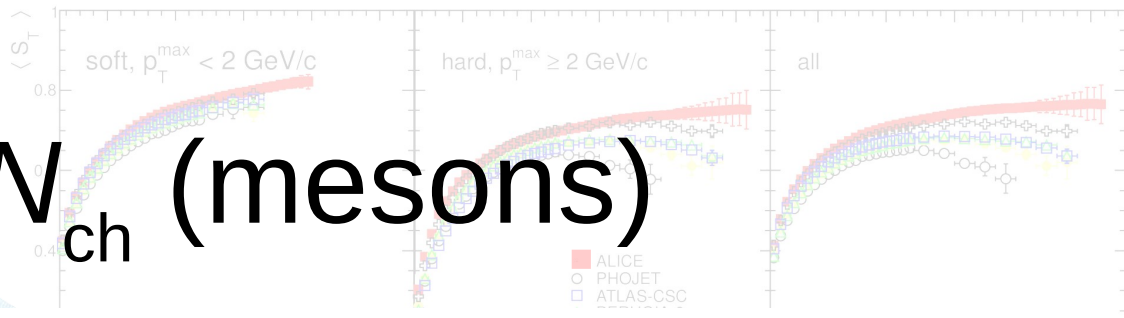
# Adding baryons



As seen in low multiplicity p-Pb collisions, baryons are described by a linear function with a larger slope than the one obtained for mesons.

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# Slope vs $N_{ch}$ (mesons)



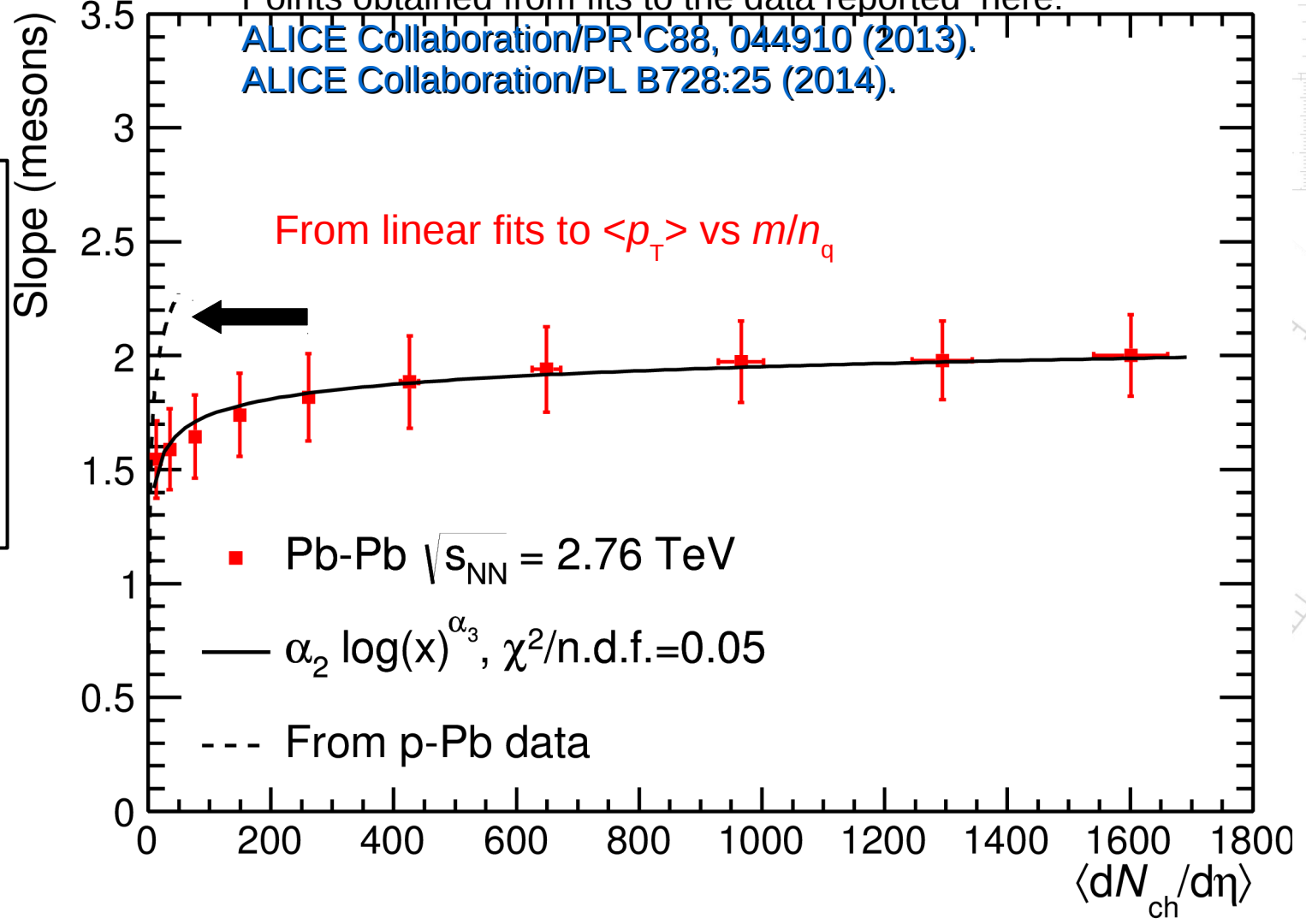
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# Slope vs $N_{ch}$ (mesons)

Points obtained from fits to the data reported here:  
[ALICE Collaboration/PR C88, 044910 \(2013\).](#)  
[ALICE Collaboration/PL B728:25 \(2014\).](#)

A larger slope is obtained for p-Pb data.  
 The Pb-Pb parametrization fails to reproduce the MB pp results.



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# Thanks!

