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HF meson production at RHIC and LHC

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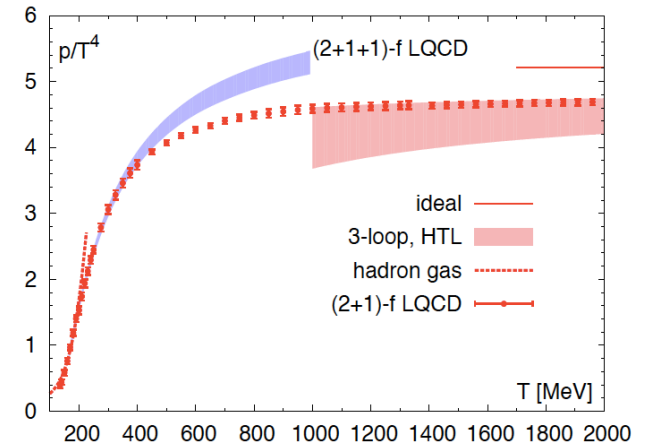
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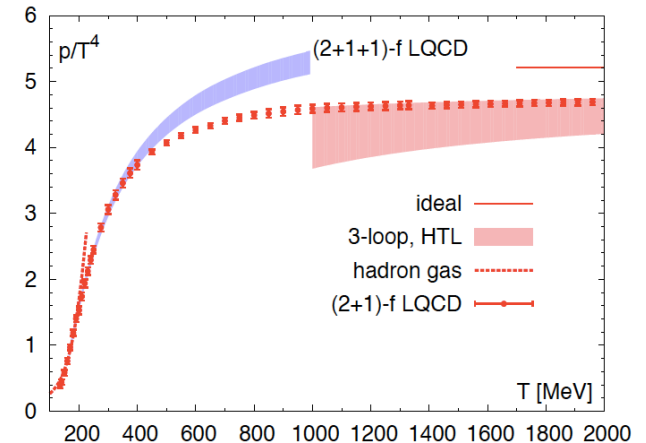


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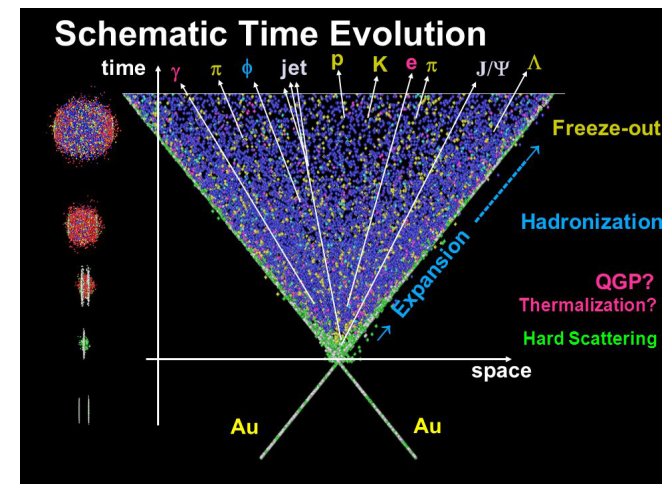
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- Heavy Flavor: $m_{c,b} \gg T_{QGP}, \Lambda_{QCD}$**

- Produced in high- Q^2 scatterings \rightarrow calculable in pQCD; numbers conversed
- Produced at early stage \rightarrow imprint the entire evolution history of QGP
 - $t_{HF}^{form} < t_{QGP}^{form}$; $t_{HF}^{relax} \sim t_{QGP}^{life-time}$



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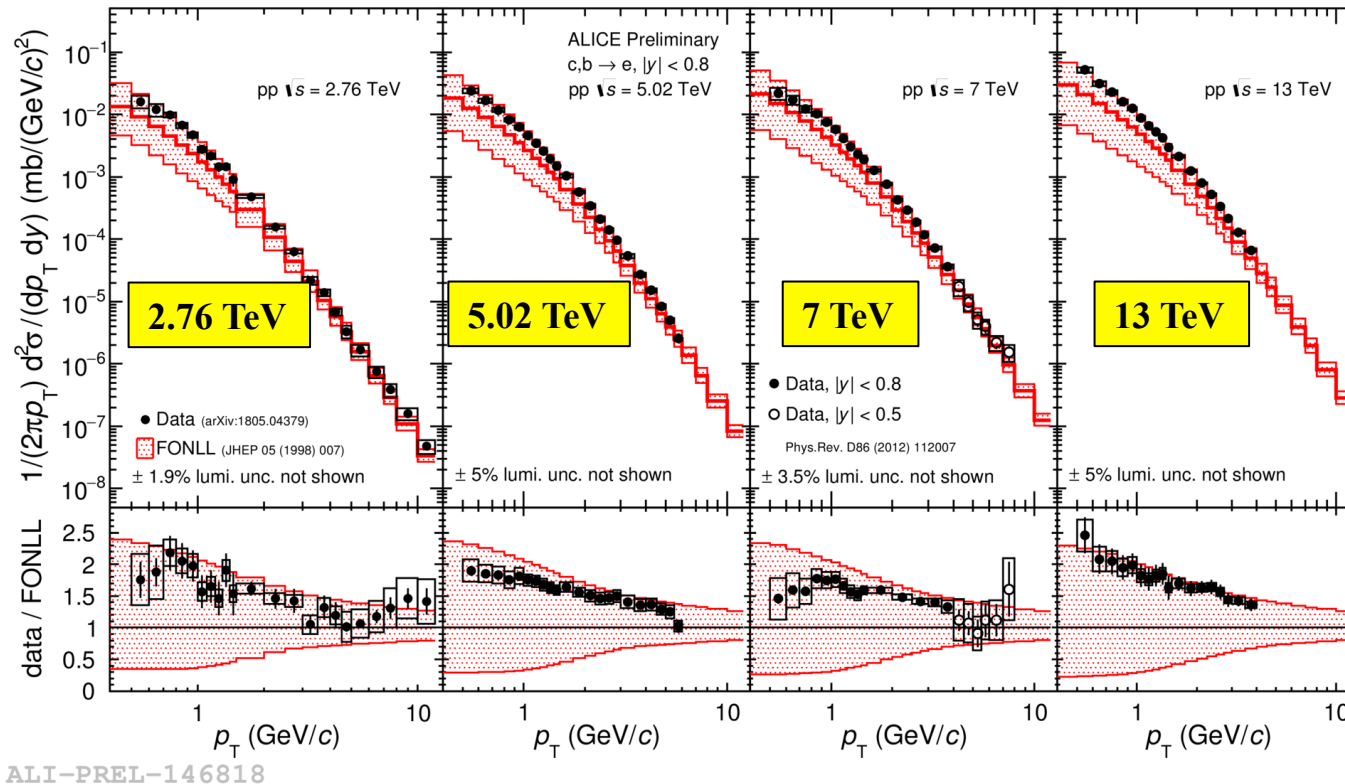
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- p+A: CNM (effects due to presence of a nucleus, but not a medium)
- A+A: medium effects

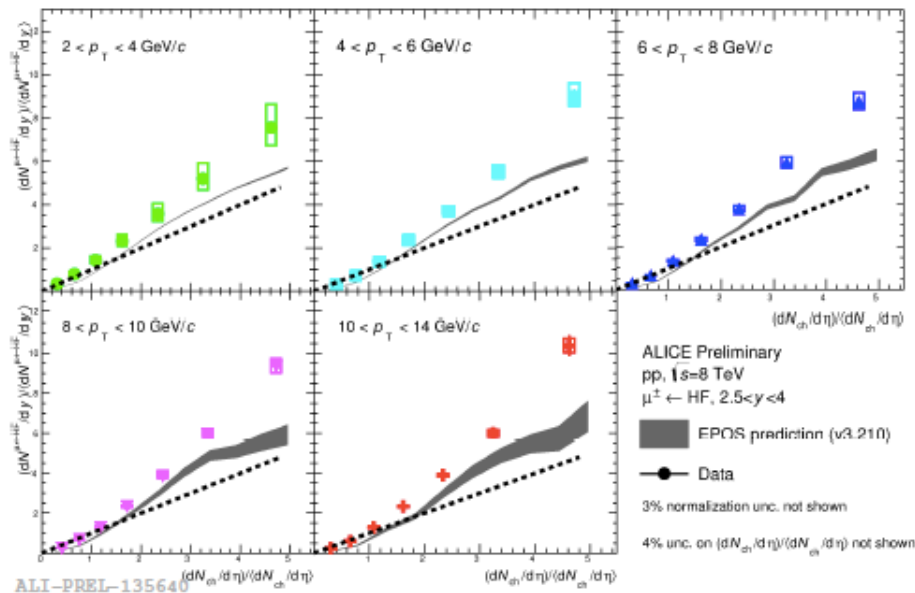
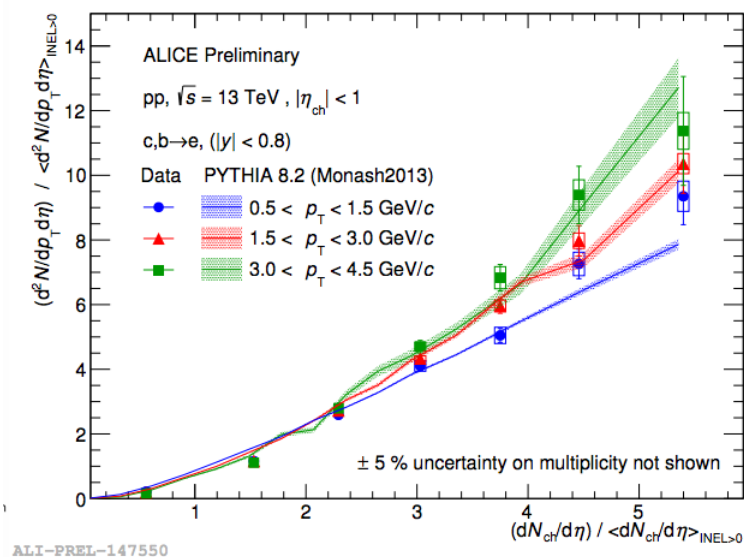
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HF Electron Cross-section



- Inclusive cross-section for HF electron from 2.76 – 13 TeV
 - dominated by charm (bottom) decay at $p_T < (>) 5$ GeV/c
- Data sit at the upper bound of FONLL calculation: good test of pQCD
 - Help to constrain model calculations

$HF \rightarrow e$ vs. Event Activity

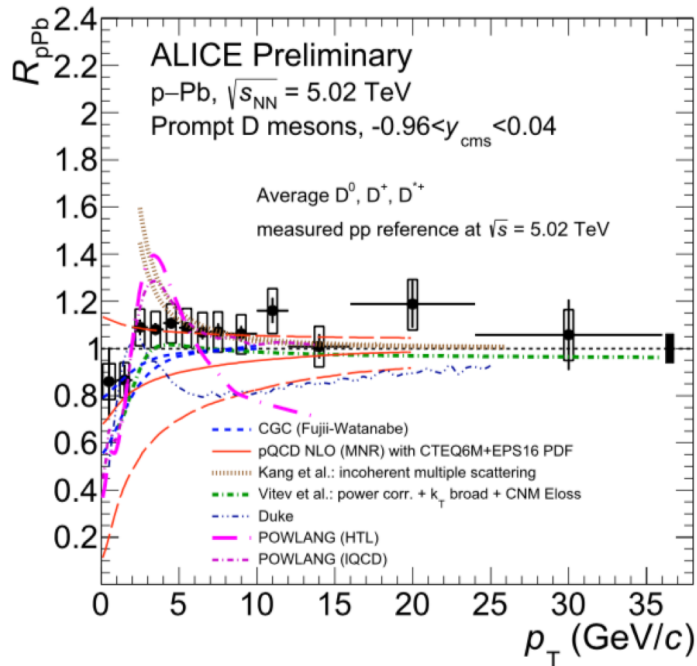


- Self-normalized HE electron yield increases stronger-than-linearly vs. event multiplicity
 - Similar trend observed at RHIC for J/psi *STAR: PLB 786 (2018) 87*
- Model comparison
 - PYTHIA 8 with MPI: describe data fairly well
 - EPOS including hydrodynamics: under-predicts data

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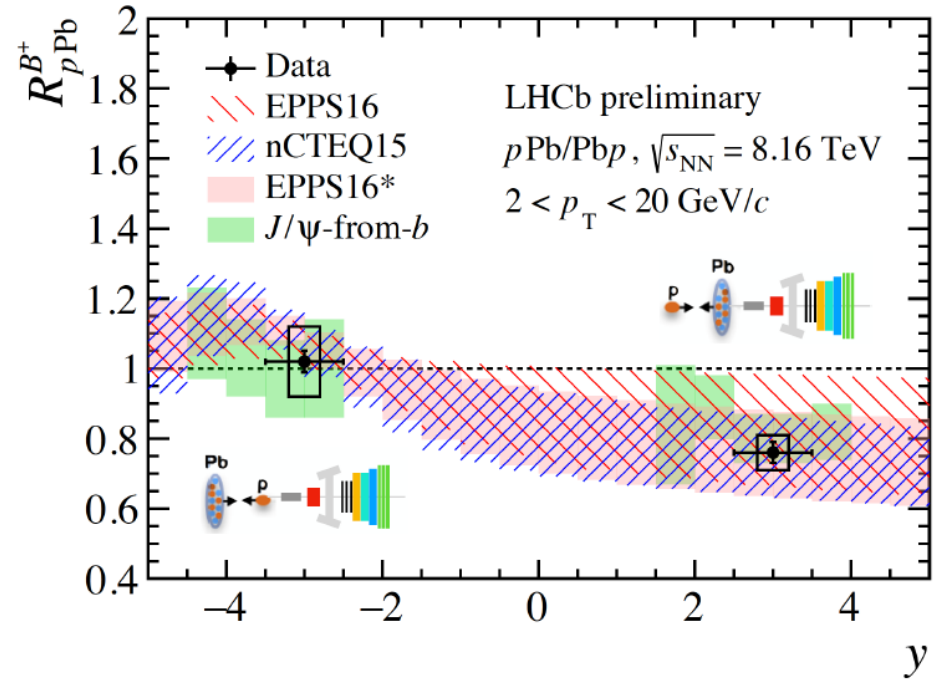
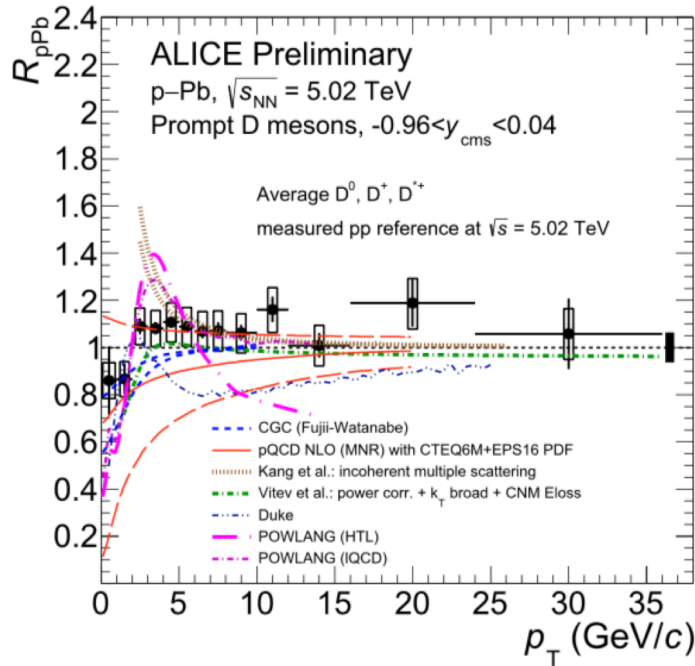
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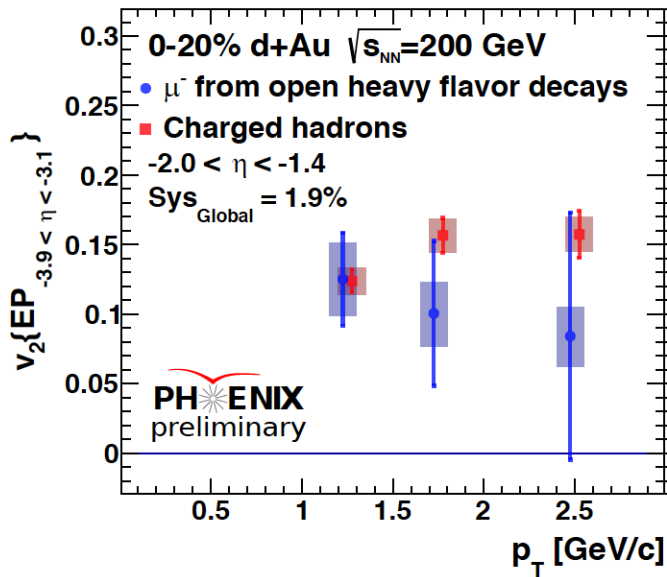


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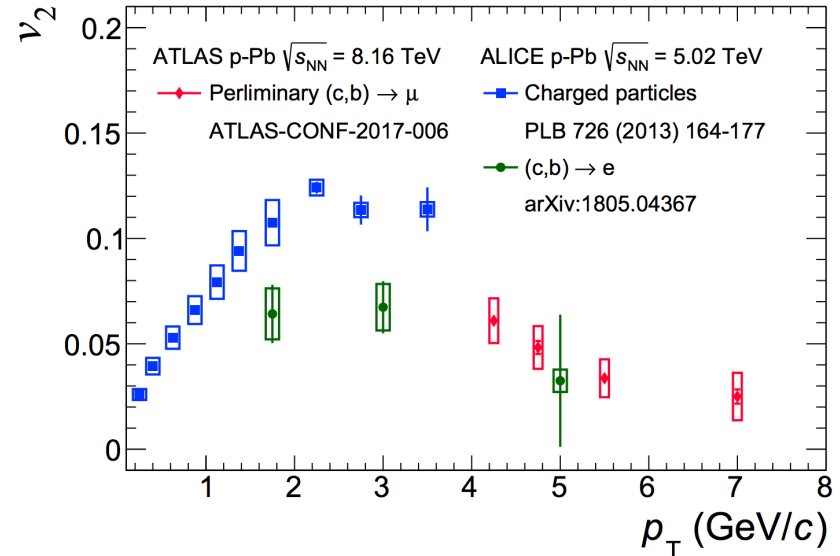
Collective Flow in High-mult Events

d+Au @ 200 GeV

Au-direction



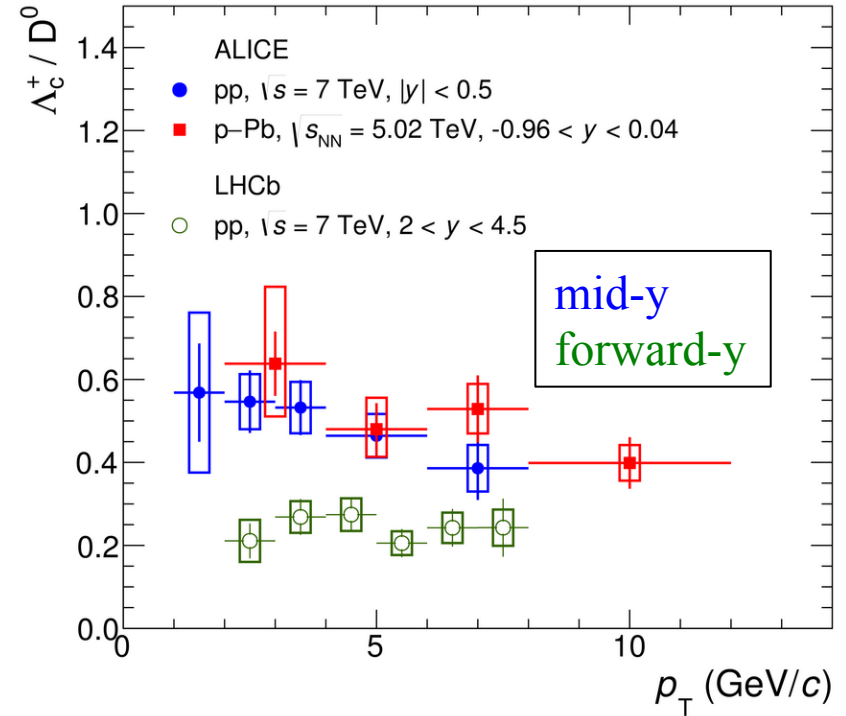
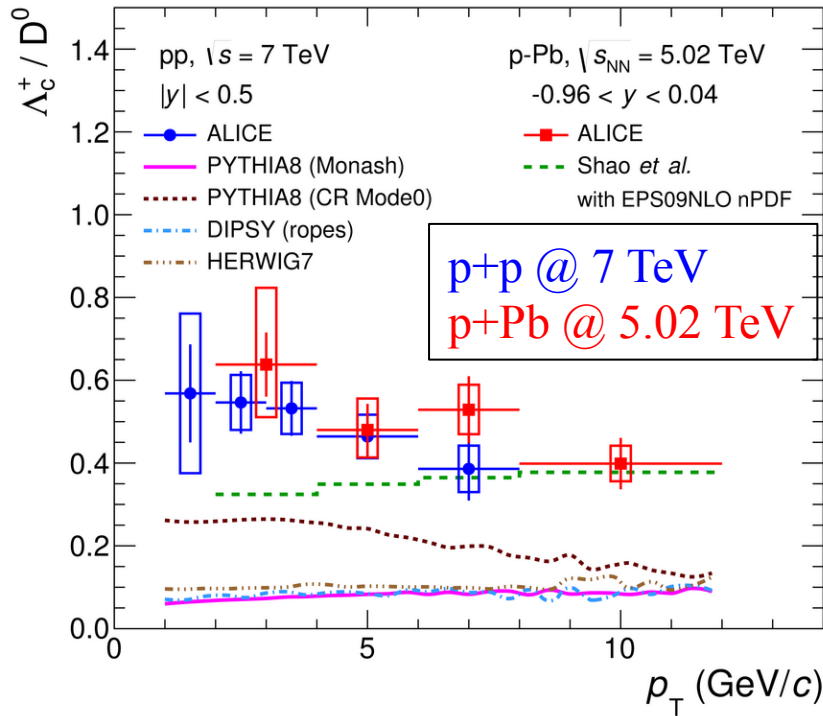
p+Pb @ 5.02, 8.16 TeV



- HF-decayed leptons: non-zero flow observed in high-multiplicity p+A collisions at both RHIC and LHC
 - Smaller values than charged hadrons
- What is the origin?
 - CGC: correlation in the emitted gluons (Can it be observed at EIC? Unlikely)
 - Small drop of QGP?
 - Other mechanisms?

Charm Baryon Production

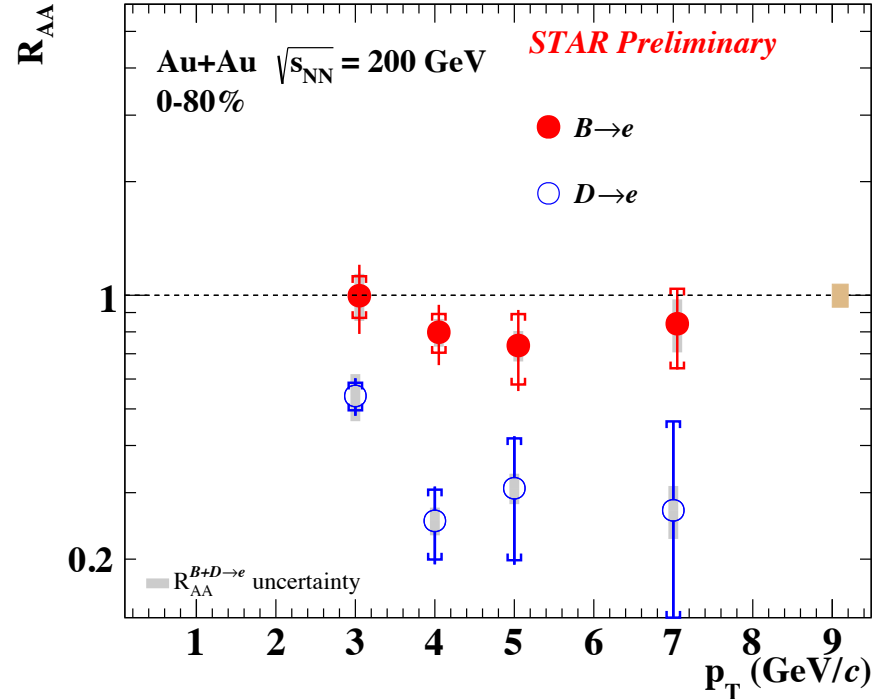
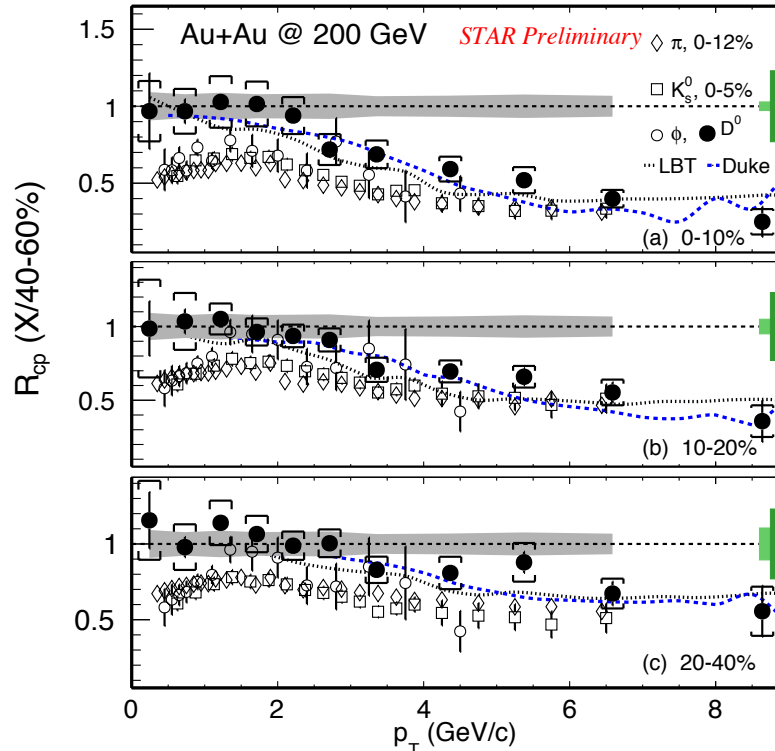
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- Mid-y: Λ_c / D^0 ratio in p+p collisions is significantly higher than model calculations
 - PYTHIA with CR is closer to data
- Similar ratios in p+Pb and p+p collisions
- *However, there seems strong rapidity dependence for the ratio. Different mechanism for hadronization?*

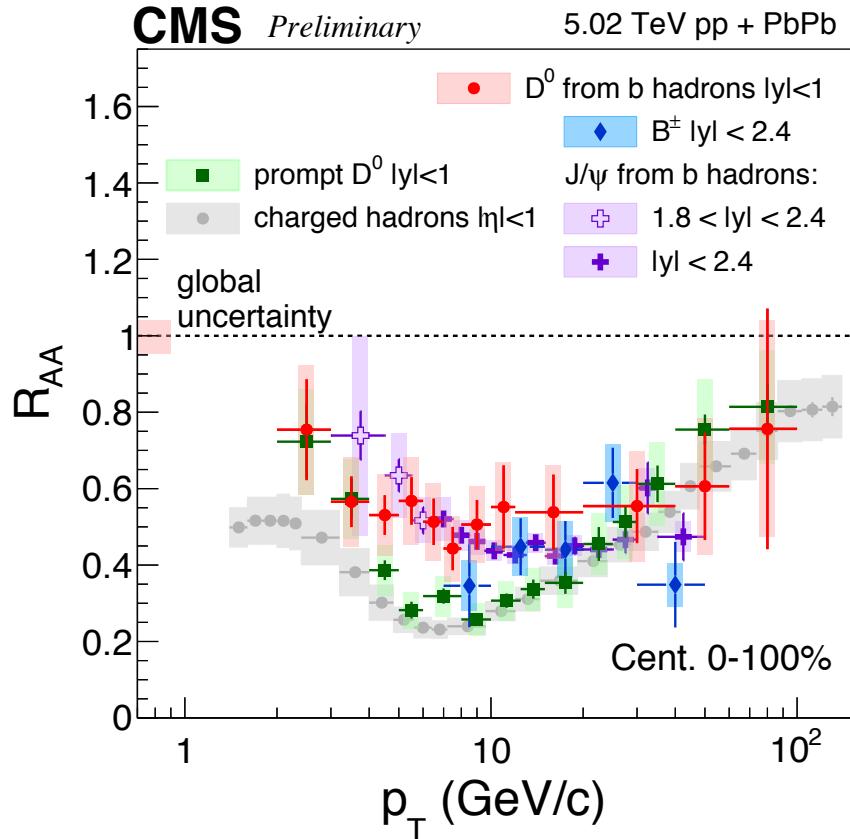
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HF Suppression at RHIC



- Strong suppression of D^0 and HF e at high $p_T \rightarrow$ **strong interactions between charm and medium**
 - Bottom quarks also seem to lose energy
- Indication of energy loss hierarchy: $R_{CP}^\pi < R_{CP}^D$, $R_{AA}^{c \rightarrow e} < R_{AA}^{b \rightarrow e}$
- Help to extract transport coefficient of the QGP

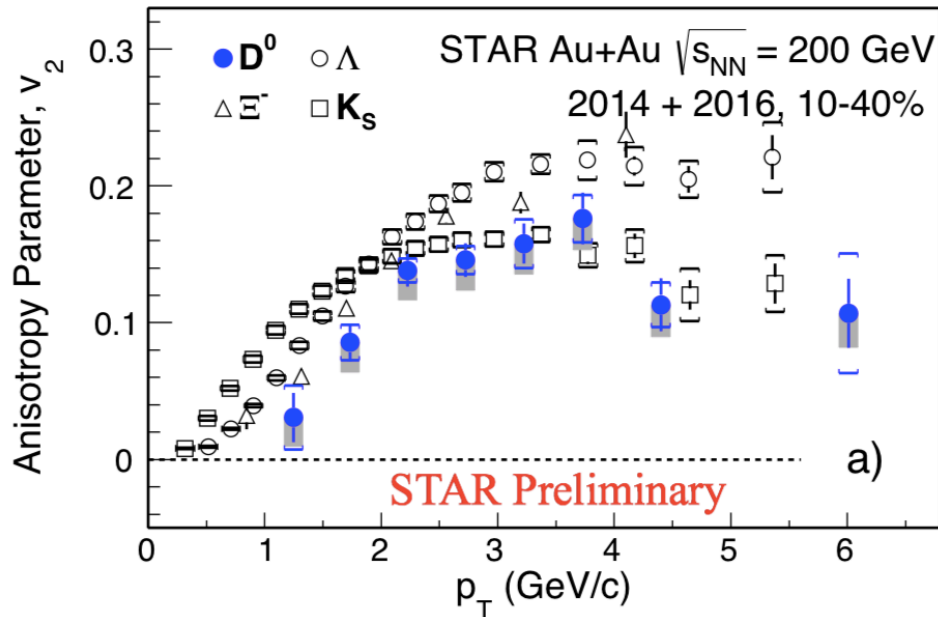
A Similar Picture at the LHC



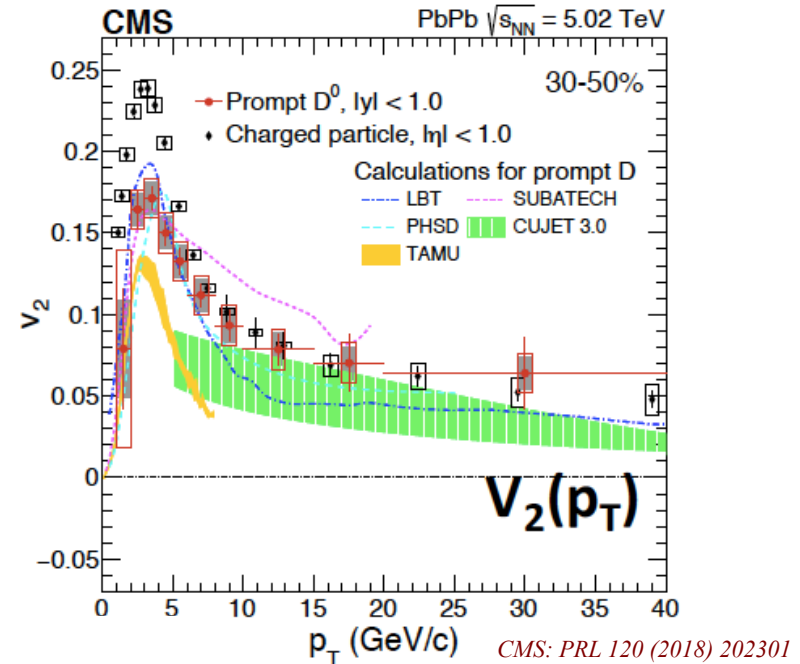
- $p_T < 10$ GeV/c or so: mass hierarchy of energy loss
- $p_T > 20$ GeV/c: all R_{AA} start to converge as the parton mass becomes less important compared to momentum
 - Spectrum shape needs to be taken into account
- Precision will be improved with more data to come

Charm Quark Flows in the Medium

RHIC: Au+Au @ 200 GeV



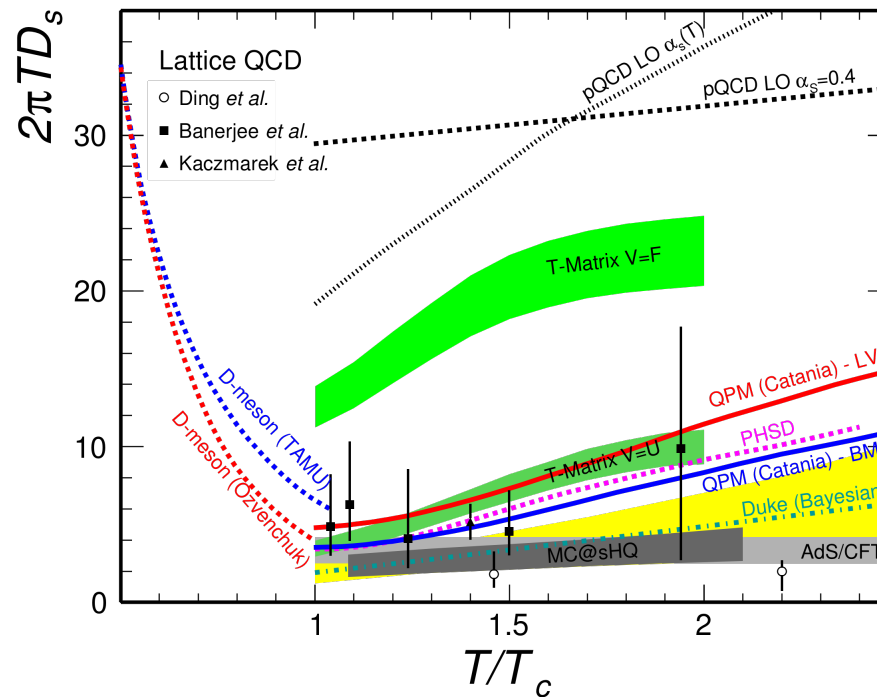
LHC: Pb+Pb @ 5.02 TeV



- Significant $v_2 \rightarrow$ strong collective behavior of charm quarks in the medium
- Smaller value compared to LF hadron at low p_T
 - Mass dependence?
 - Charm quarks do not flow as strong as light quarks?
- LHC: models with strong charm-medium interaction (low p_T), and collisional and radiative energy losses (high p_T) can qualitatively describe data

Diffusion Coefficient vs. T

X. Dong and V. Greco, Progr. Part. Nucl. Phys. (2018)

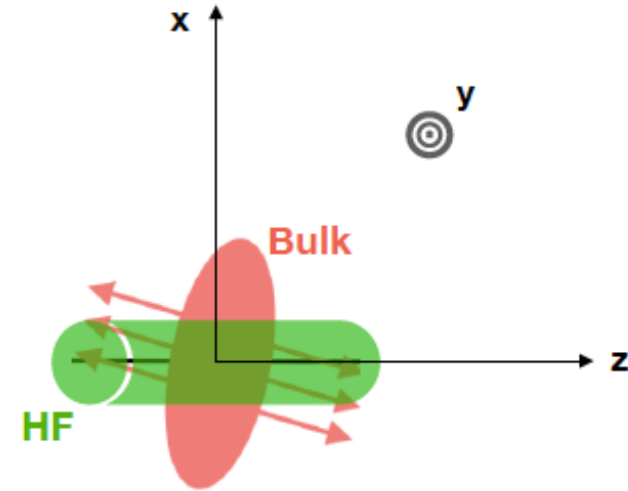


- $2\pi TD_s$: fundamental properties of the medium. Large discrepancy among different models.
- $D^0 v_2$ can help to constrain:
 - RHIC: $2 \sim 12$ within T_c to $2T_c$ *STAR: PRL 118 (2017) 212301*
 - LHC: $1.5 \sim 7$ at T_c *ALICE: PRL 120 (2018) 102301*

$D^0 v_1$: A Different Perspective

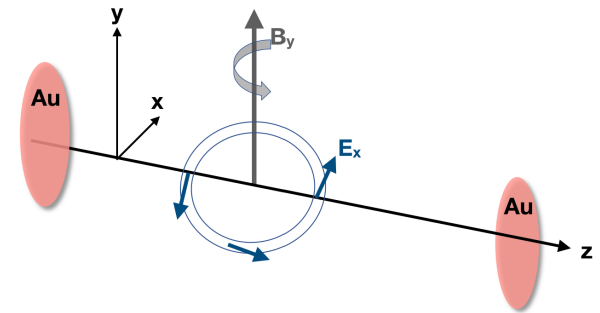
1. HF drag: mis-match between symmetric production profile for HF and tilted bulk medium

- $v_1^{\text{HF}} > v_1^{\text{LF}}$
- Same effect for HF and anti-HF



2. Initial EM field: strong impact for HF as they are produced early

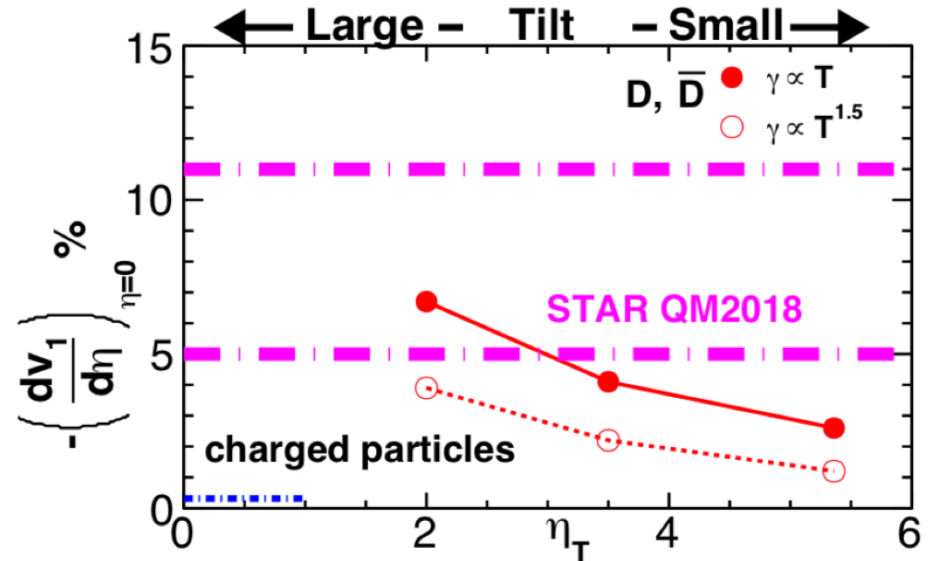
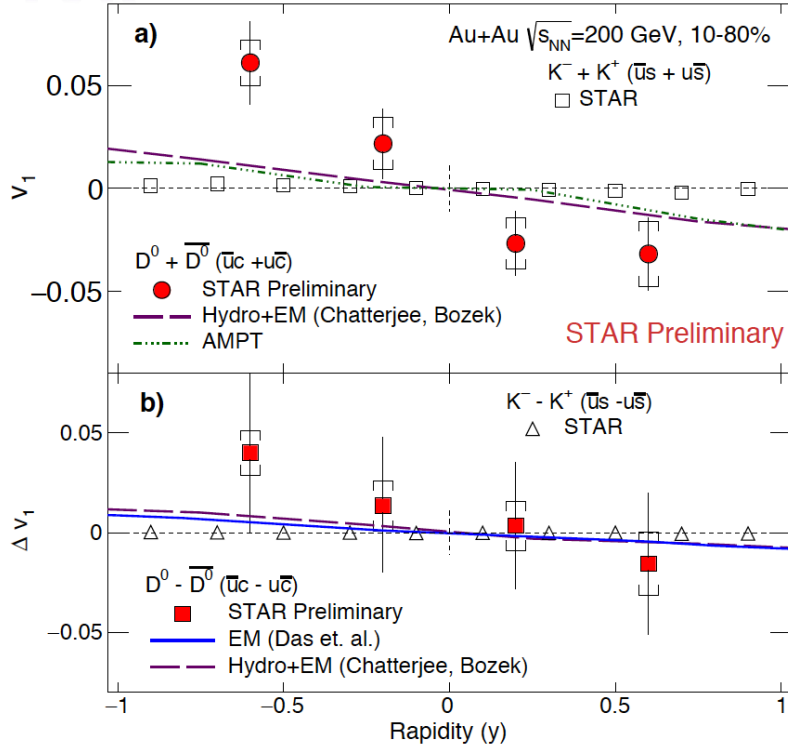
- $v_1^{\text{HF}} \gg v_1^{\text{LF}}$ (EM field decays rapidly)
- Opposite effect for HF and anti-HF



$D^0 v_1$ at RHIC

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Chatterjee, Bozek,
arXiv: 1804.04893

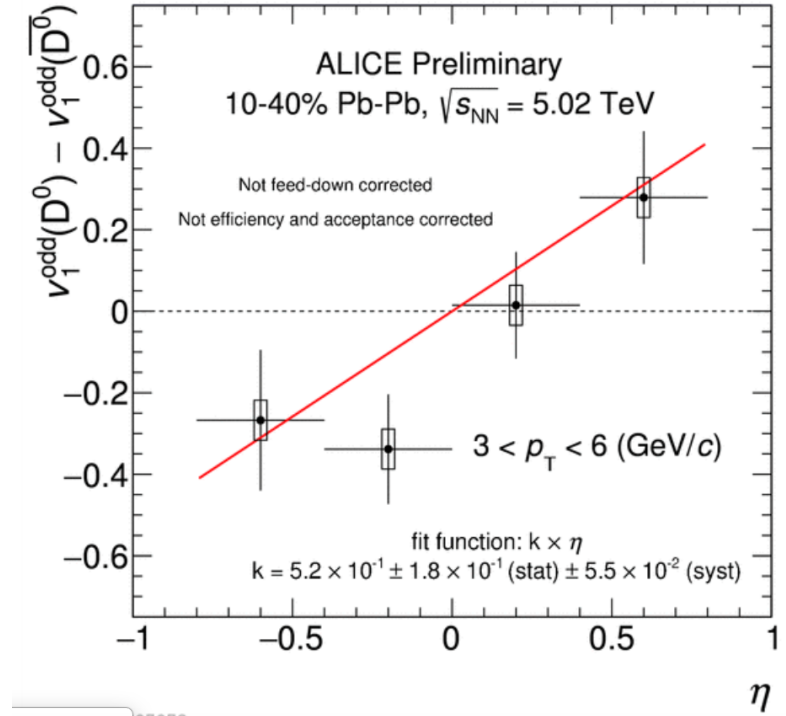
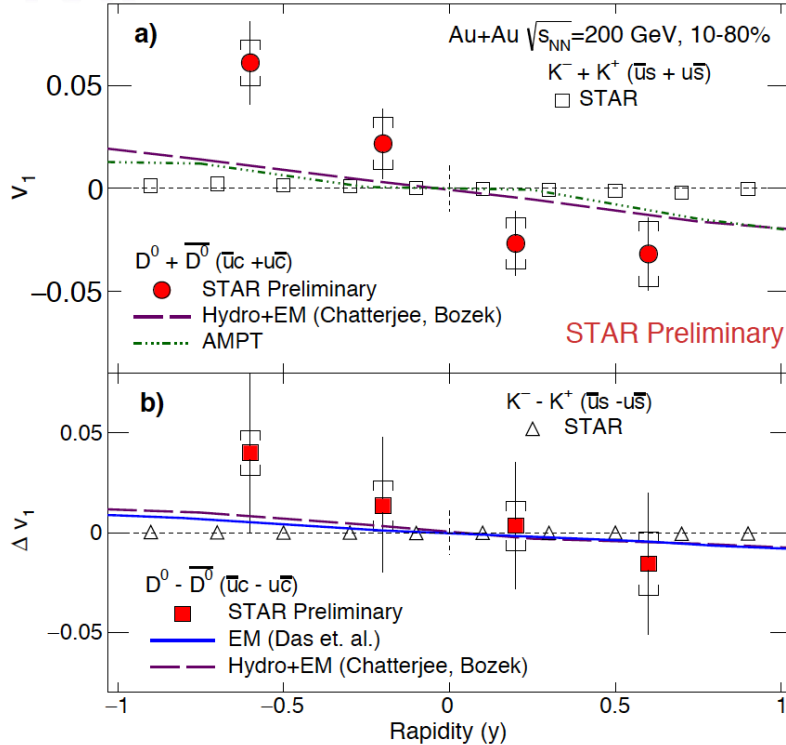


- $v_1(D^0 + \text{anti-}D^0)$: much larger than Kaon v_1
 – Model predicts correct sign but lower magnitude
- $v_1(D^0) - v_1(\text{anti-}D^0)$: hint of splitting, but not precise enough
- Data seem to favor larger drag coefficient.

$D^0 v_1$: RHIC vs. LHC

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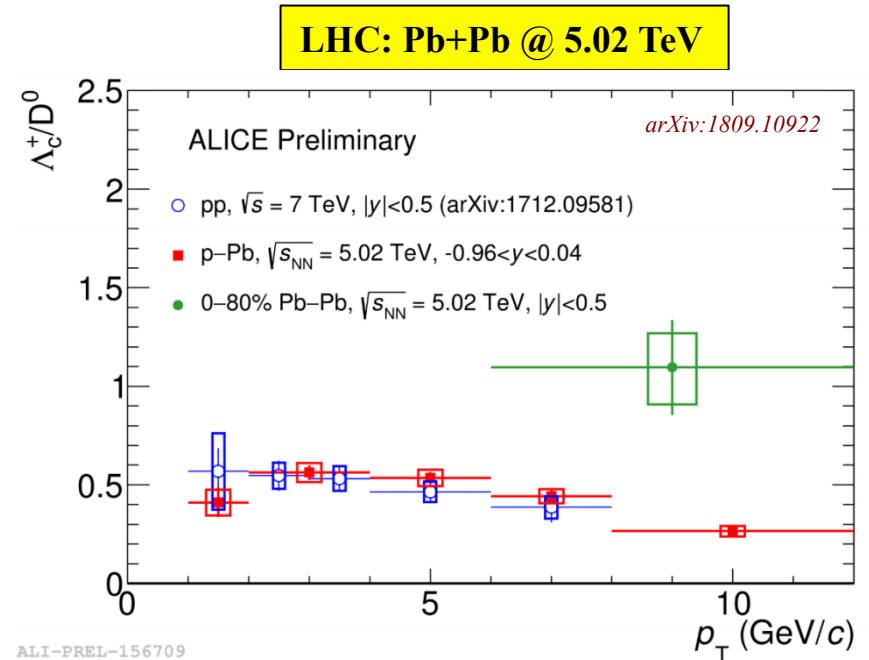
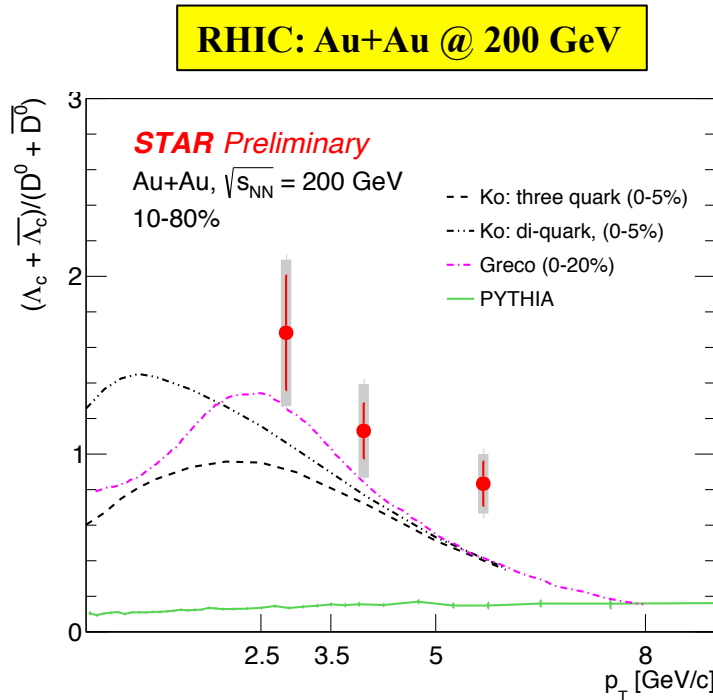
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- $v_1(D^0) - v_1(\text{anti-}D^0)$: opposite splitting between RHIC and LHC
- Model calculation and better experimental precision are needed to understand the apparent difference

HF Hadronization: Λ_c

- Baryon-to-meson ratio enhanced for LF, and explained by coalescence hadronization



- Strongly enhanced Λ_c/D^0 ratio in A+A collisions compared to baseline
 - Decrease with increasing p_T
 - Level of enhancement is similar to LF
- RHIC: model calculations with coalescence hadronization are closer to data, but still not sufficient

Summary

- *Open HF has served as an important probe in understanding the properties of the QGP*
- **p+p**: charm cross section agrees with pQCD
 - Yield increases rapidly with event multiplicity → MPI
- **p+A**: consistent with nPDF expectation
 - Origin of the collective motion
 - Rapidity dependence of fragmentation
- **A+A**: strong interactions between charm quarks and medium
 - transport/diffusion/drag coefficients
 - Expected mass/flavor hierarchy of energy loss
 - Charm quark coalescence in the medium

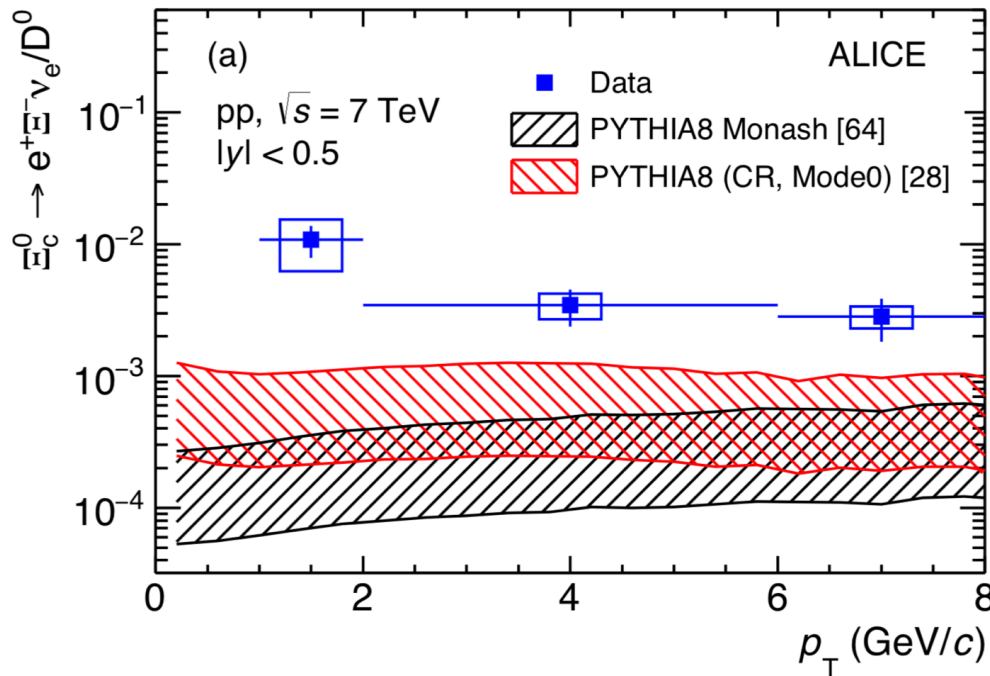
What Can EIC Bring?

- Precise determination of 3D spatial and momentum distributions of partons as well as their fluctuations in the nucleus
 - Initial condition for hydrodynamic modeling for extracting fundamental properties of the QGP
 - Baseline for interpreting energy loss measurement
 - Shed lights on emerging phenomena in pA collisions

Backup

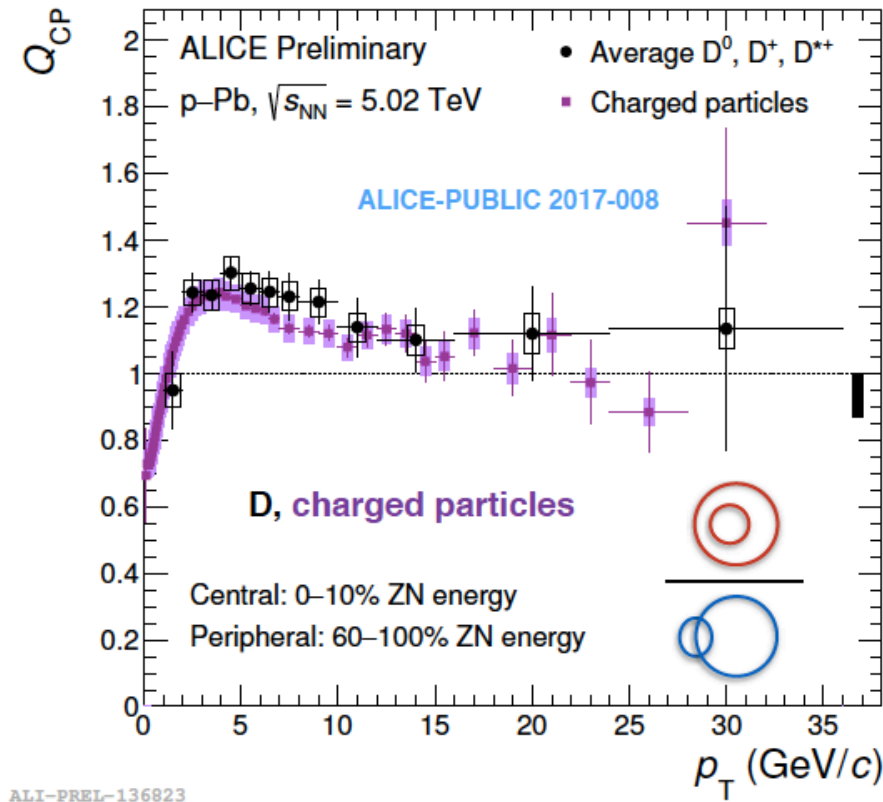
HF Hadronization in $p+p$ Collisions

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- First measurement of Ξ_c^0 at the LHC
- Measured Ξ_c^0/D^0 in 7 TeV $p+p$ collisions is significantly larger than PYTHIA prediction

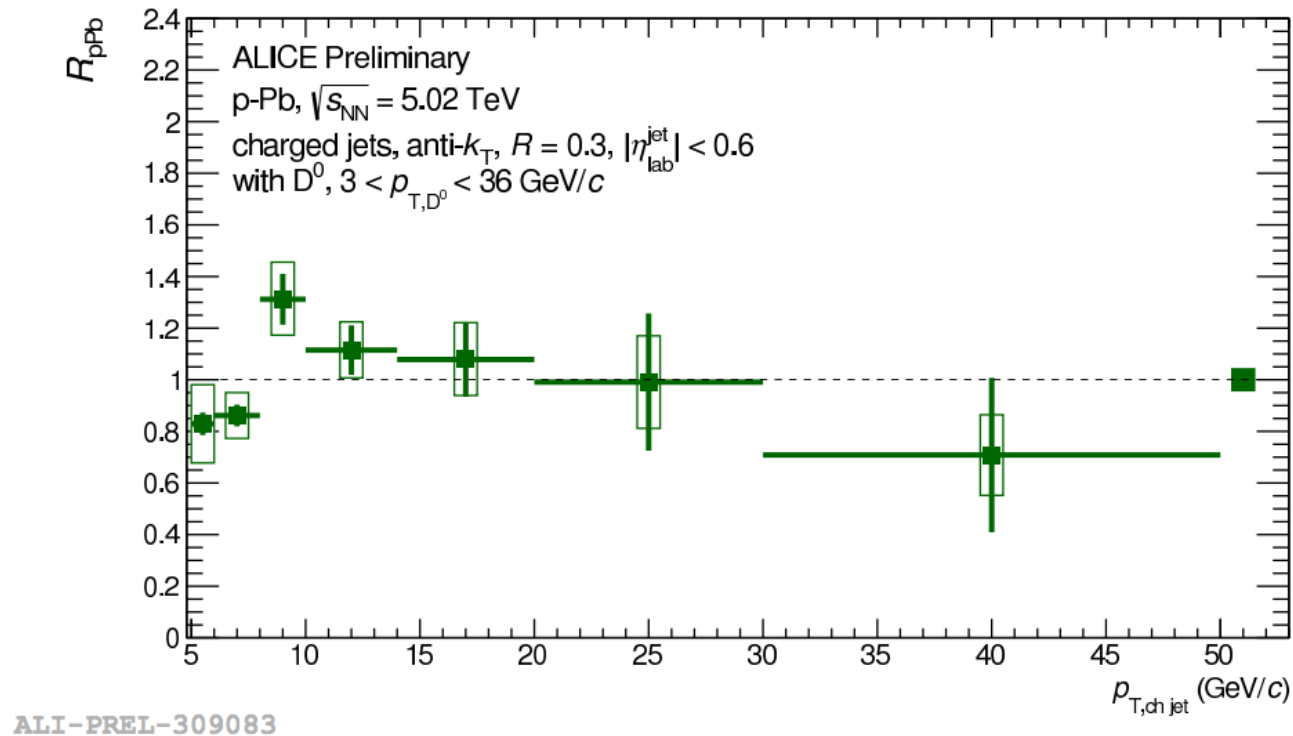
D Meson in High-mult Events



PRC 91 (2015) 064905

- D^0 : enhancement in high-mult p+Pb events compared to low-mult events
 - *Magnitude similar to charged hadrons*
 - *Effects of radial flow?*
- Not inline with the existence of QGP

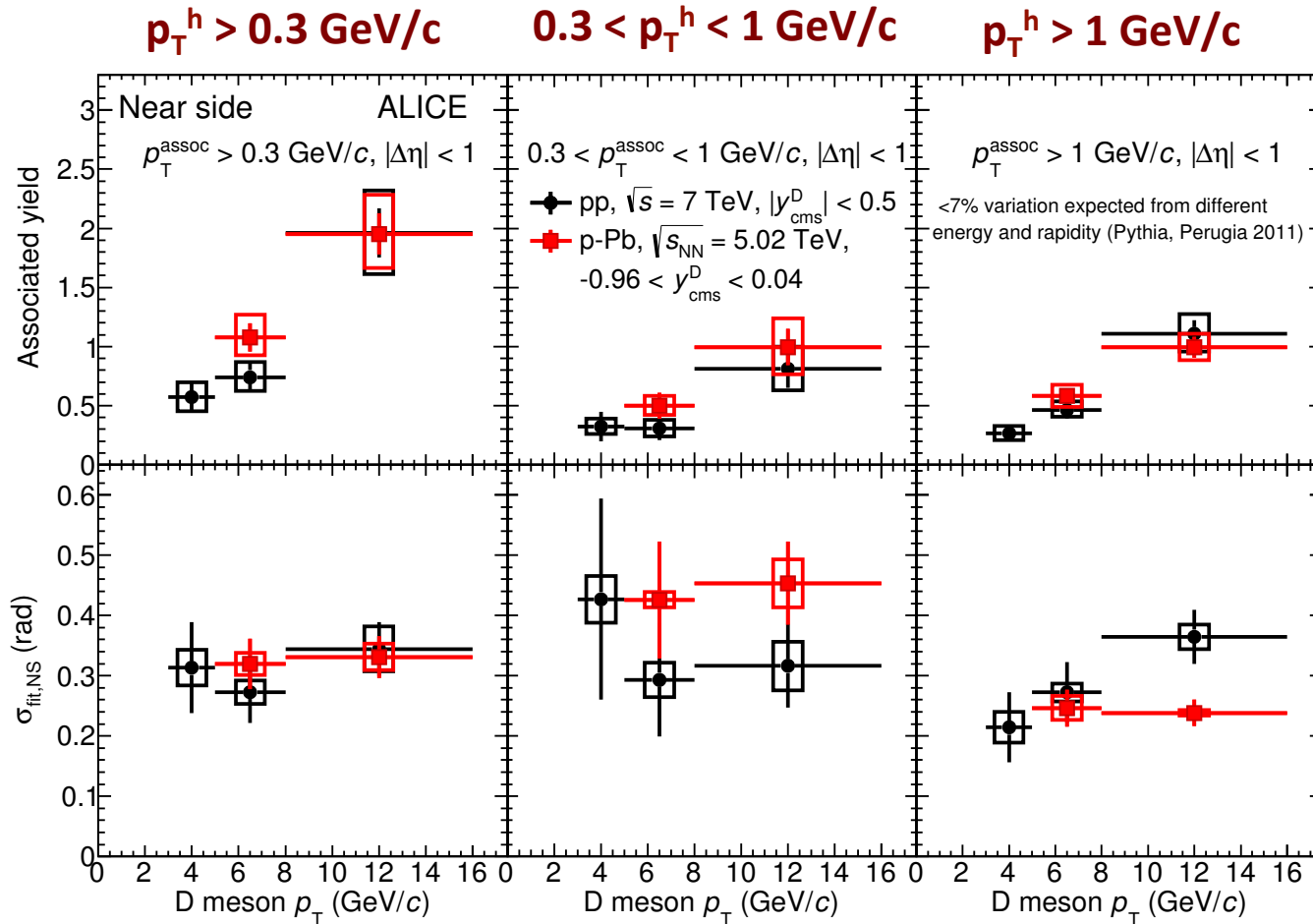
Jets with D -meson



- $R_{pPb} \sim 1$ for jets with D^0 , $3 < p_T^D < 6$ GeV/c
- **No strong CNM effects for charm quarks**

D-h Correlation

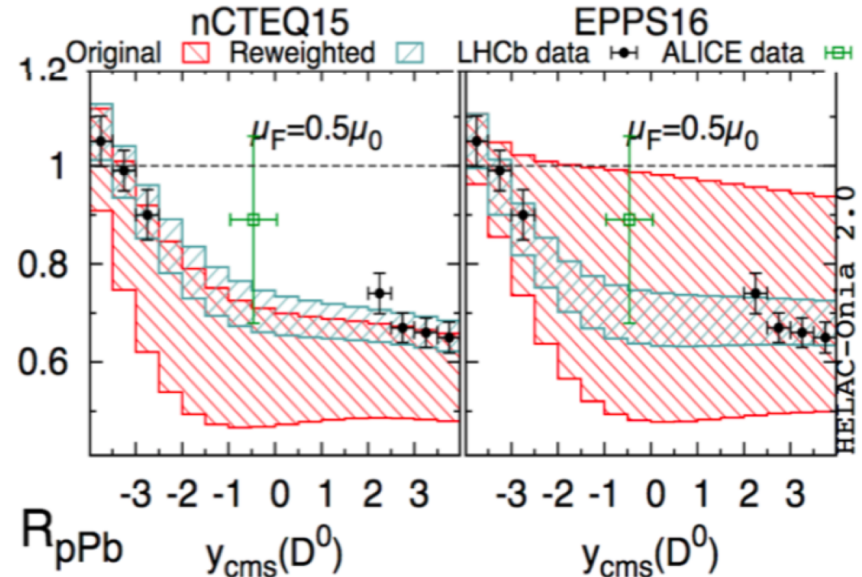
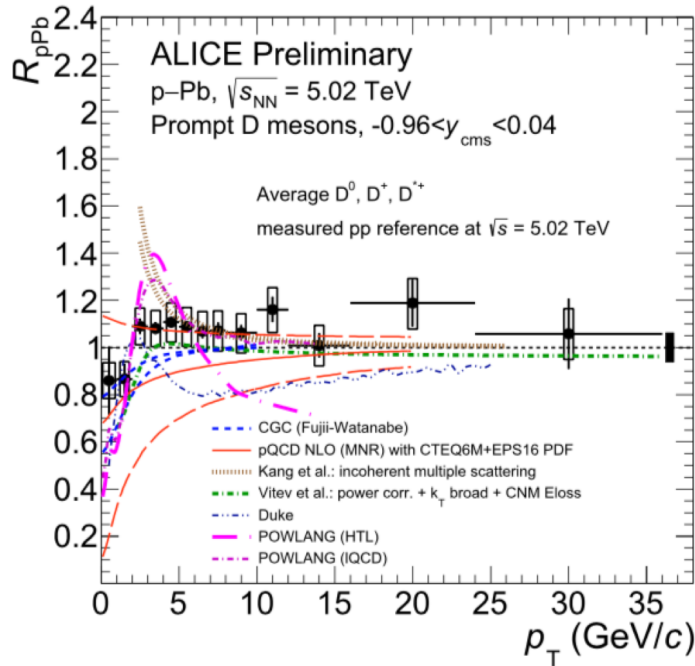
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- Near-side peak is compatible between pp and pPb
- Fragmentation to D meson seems largely unaltered in pPb

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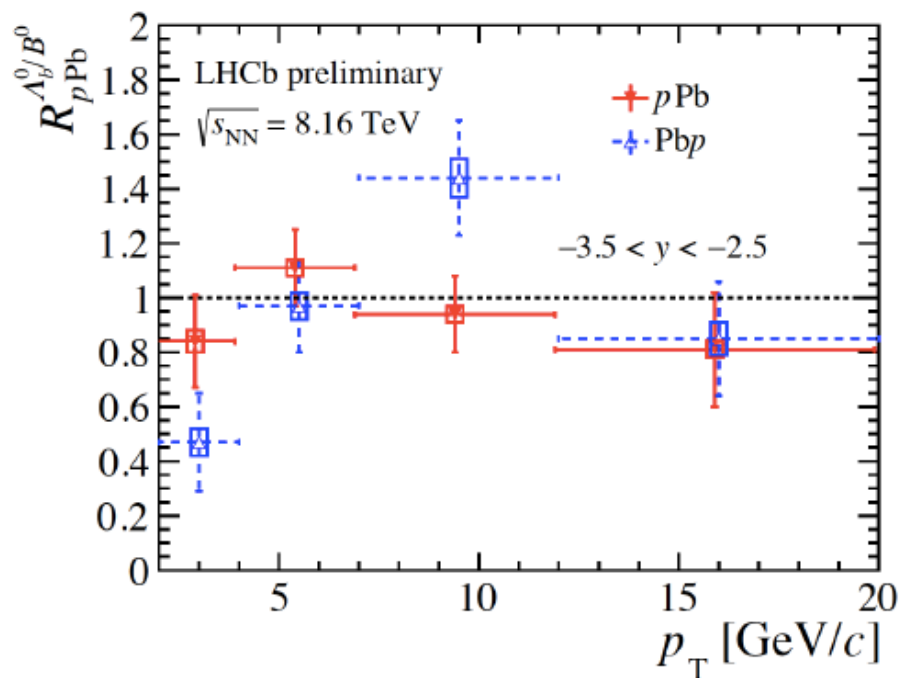
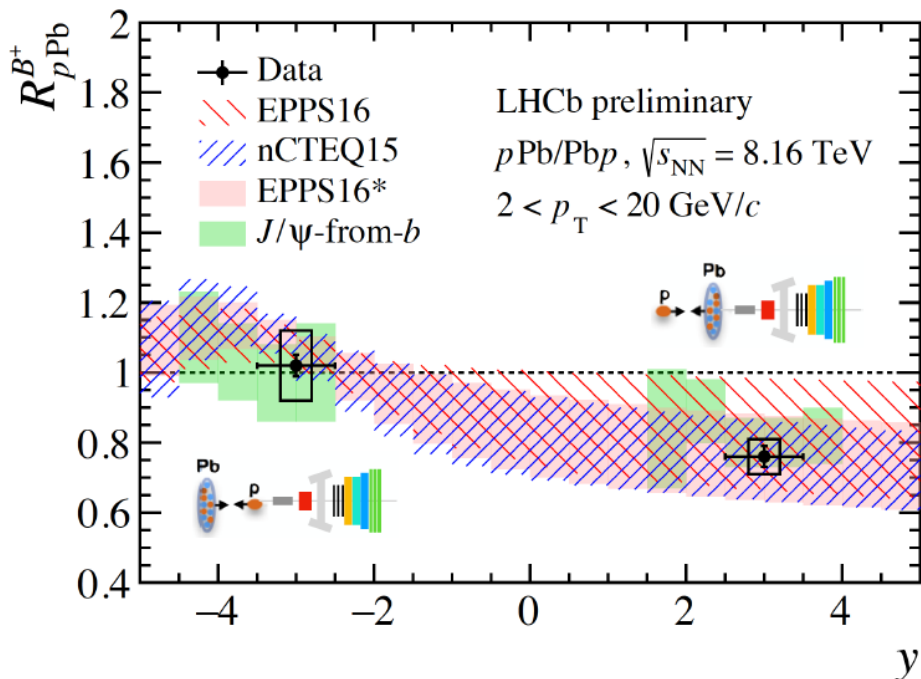
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A. Kusina, et al.
PRL 121 (2018) 052004

- **R_{pPb} is consistent with unity**
 - Low p_T : hint of showering?
 - High p_T : not much room for >20% suppression
- Models of small QGP predicts too much suppression at high p_T
- **Provide valuable constraints to nPDF**

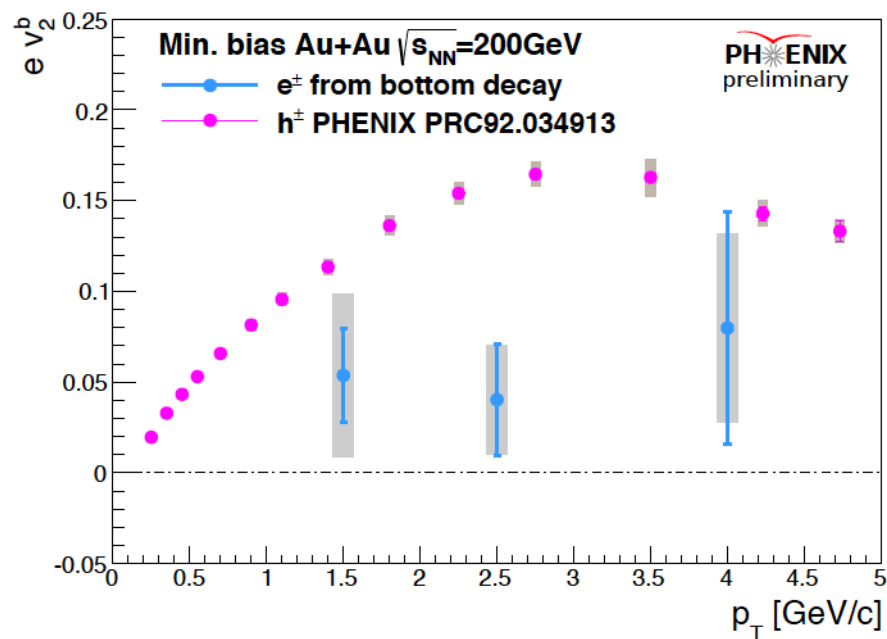
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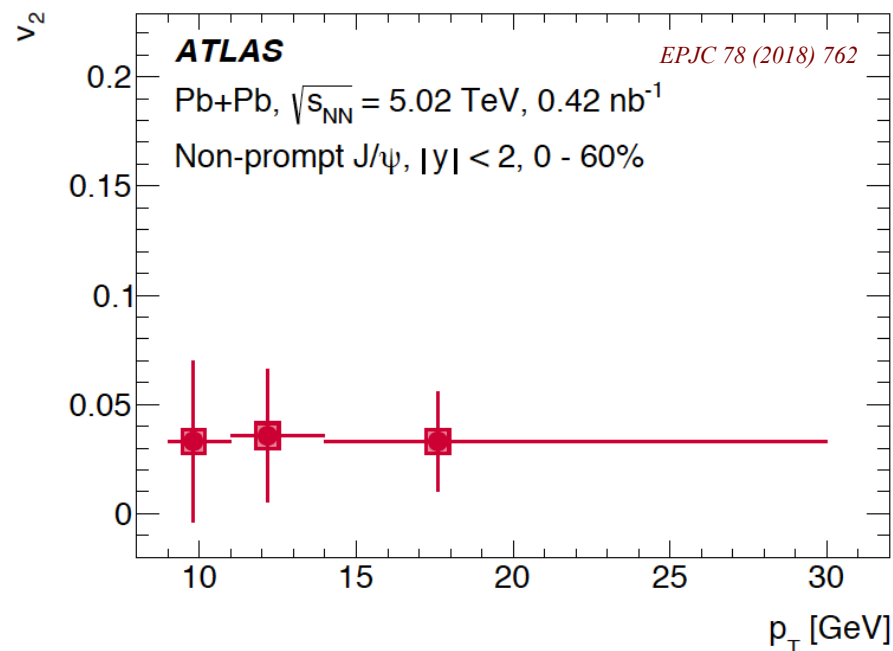
- **B^+**
 - **Forward rapidity: strong suppression explained by shadowing effect**
 - **Backward rapidity: consistent with unity**
- Λ_b : similar level of CNM effects as B^0 at forward/backward rapidities

Does Bottom Quark Flow?

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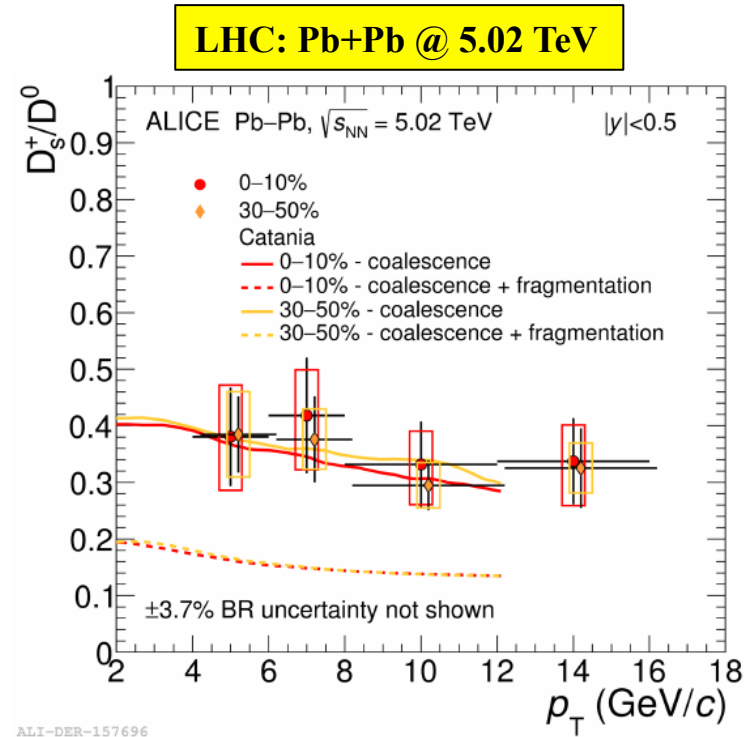
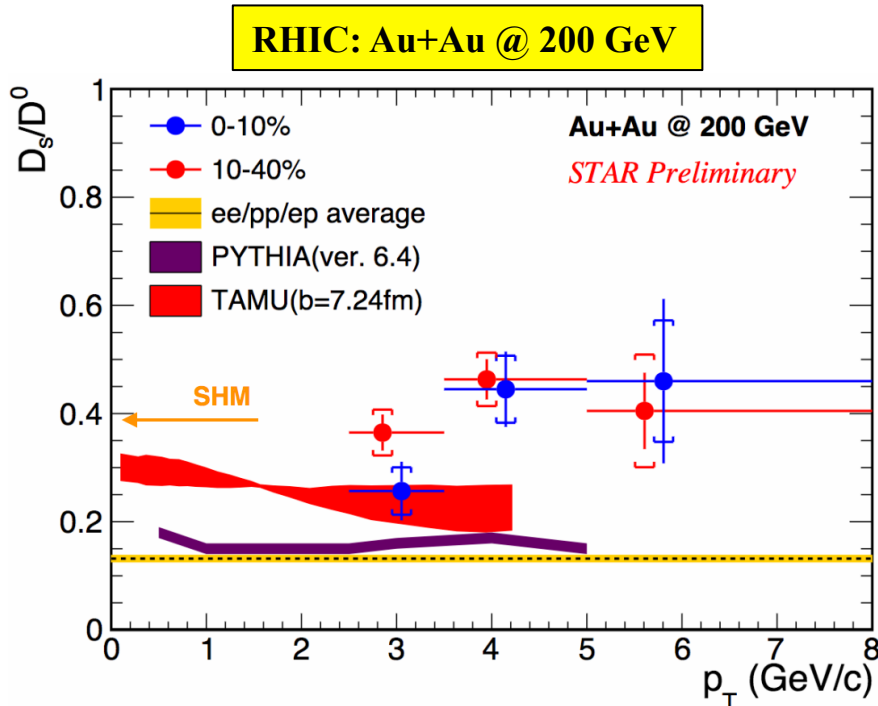
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- Hint of non-zero v_2 for bottom quarks at both RHIC and LHC.
- Improved precision on measurement is needed.

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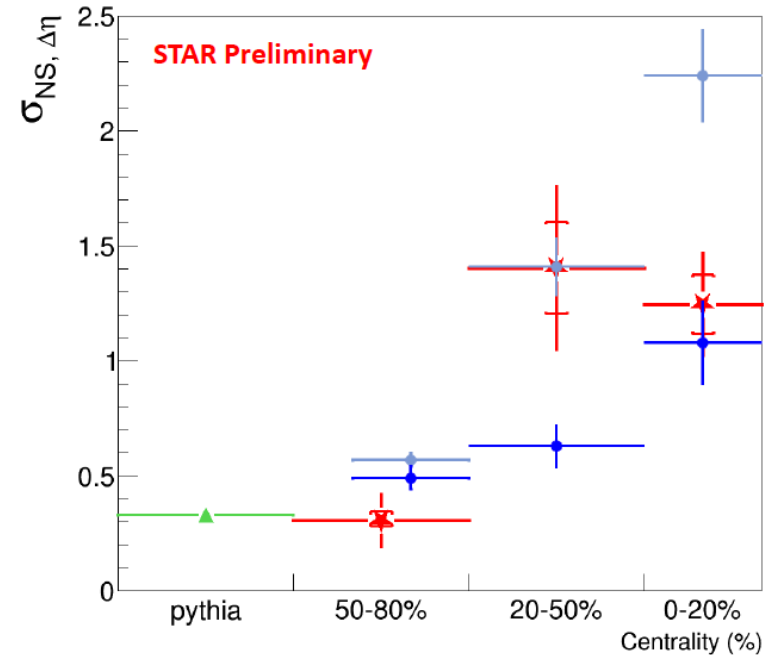
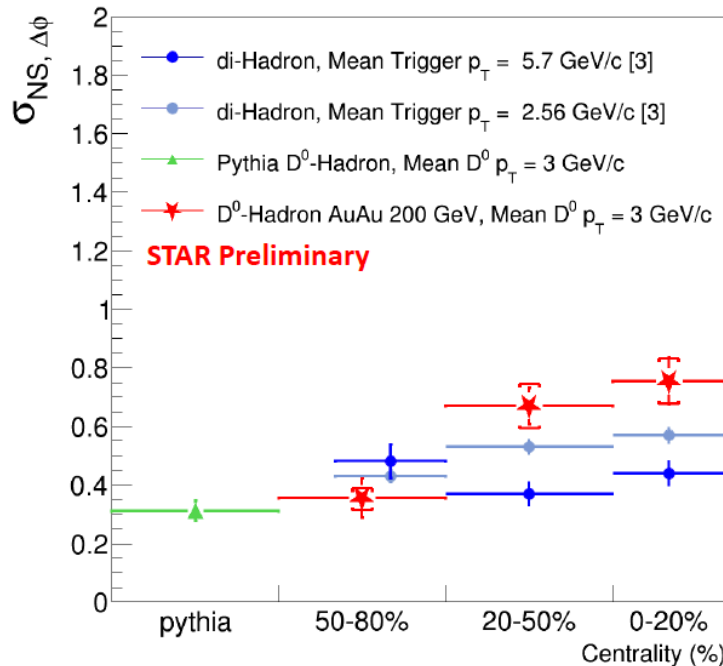
- Expect enhanced D_s production in the medium: i) strangeness enhancement; ii) coalescence



- Enhanced D_s/D^0 ratio compared to fragmentation baseline
- No strong centrality dependence, and persists to high p_T
- Model calculation with coalescence hadronization is closer to data, but not able to do so at high p_T

How Do HF Jets Modified?

- RHIC: extract near-side widths from D^0 -h correlation



- Widths in peripheral events are similar to those in PYTHIA
- **In central and semi-central collisions, substantial broadening of near-side jets along both η and ϕ directions**
- Levels of broadening is similar to those for charged hadrons at similar mean p_T