

Collectivity signals in ultra-small collision systems at RHIC and the LHC

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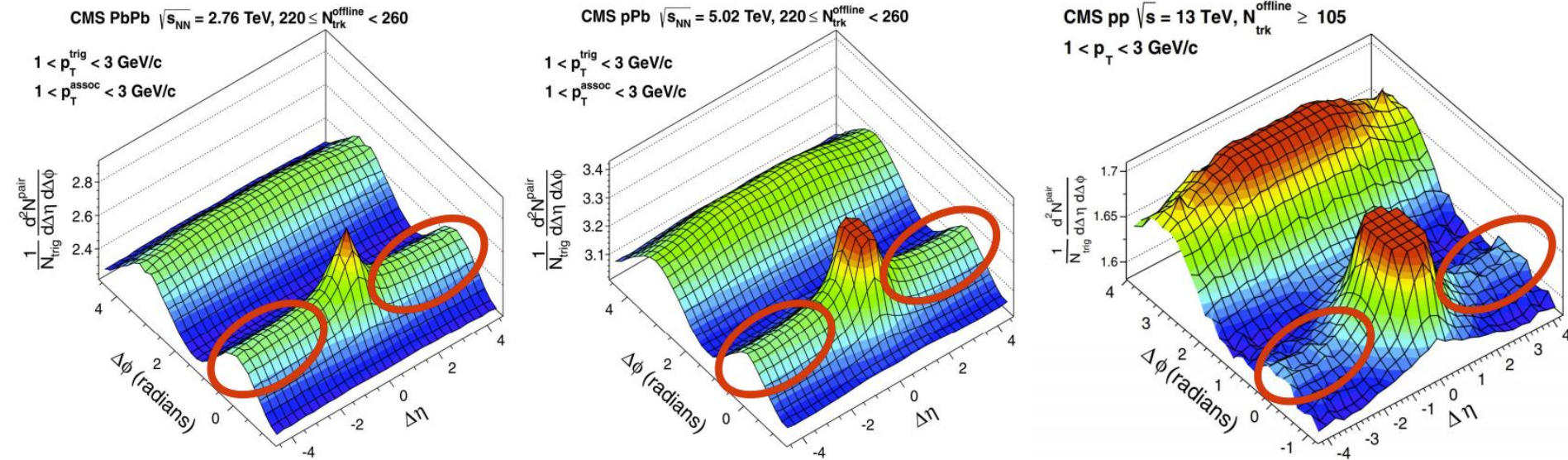
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Azimuthal anisotropy

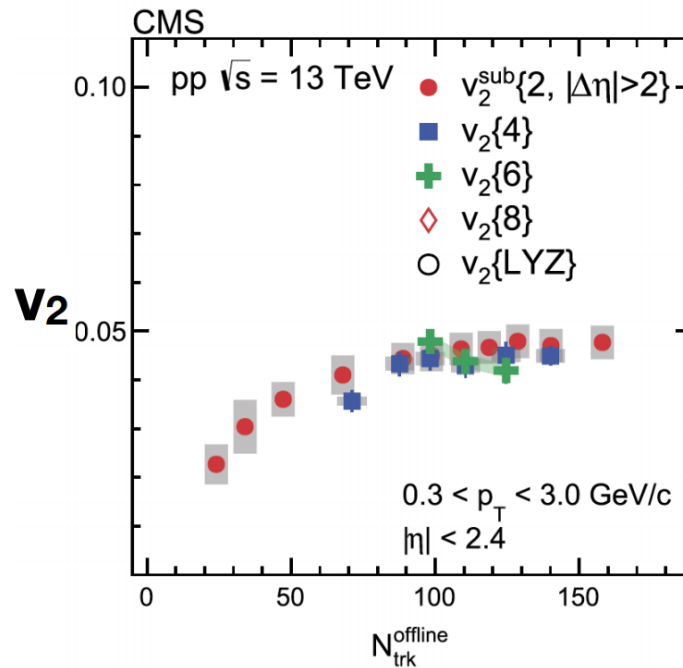
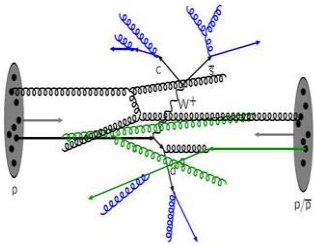


Clear collectivity signatures in many system sizes

- Nearside ridge present in 2-particle correlation
- Precise measurements of v_n
- Multi-particle correlations \rightarrow global correlation

Which small systems do we know flow?

pp



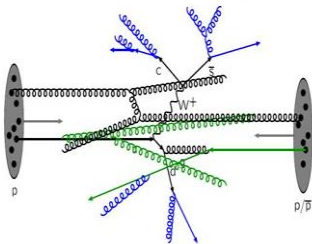
Collectivity in ***pp***

- Near-side ridge
- Multi-particle correlation
- Initial state geometry?

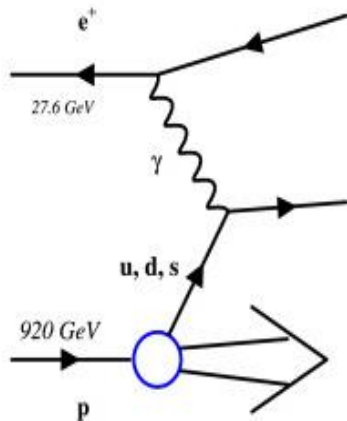
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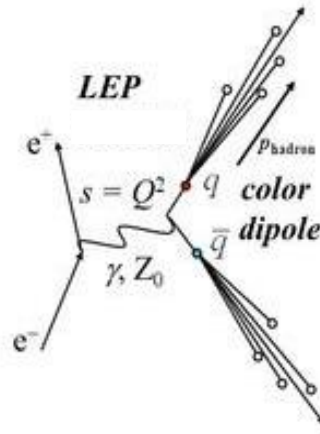
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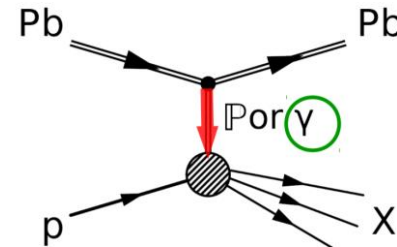
$e+p$



$e^+ + e^-$



$\gamma + p$



Near-side ridge



Cumulants
say $v_2 < 4\%$

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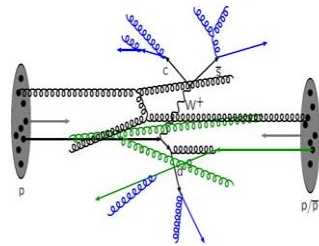


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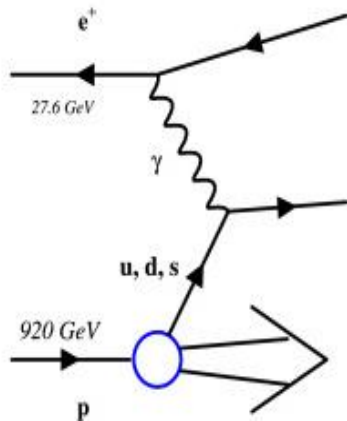
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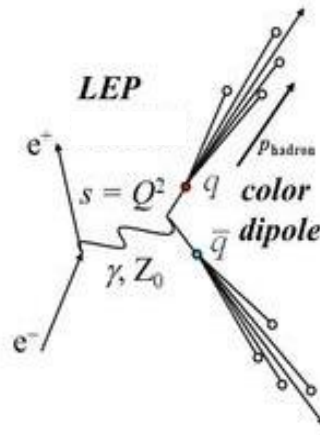
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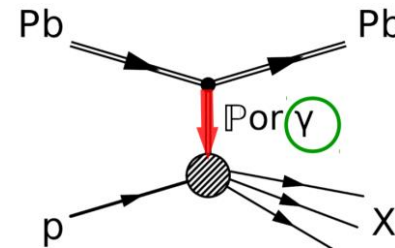
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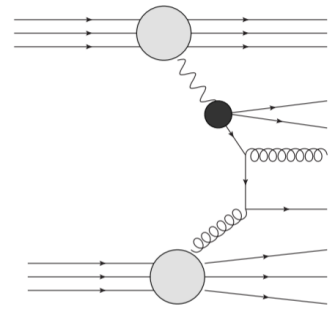
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$\gamma + A$



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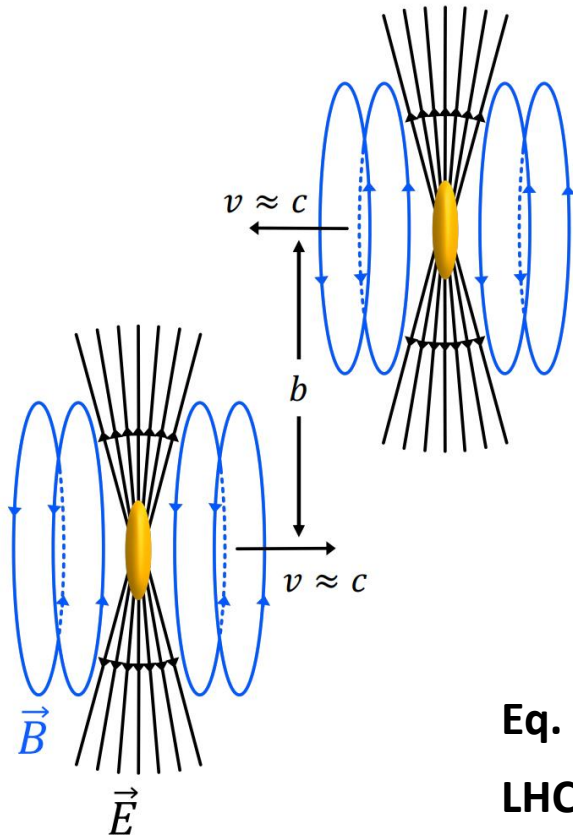


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Photons in heavy ion collisions



Lorentz contracted electromagnetic fields of moving charges can be treated as a flux of photons.

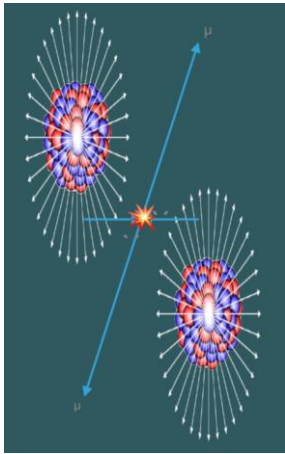
Equivalent photon approximation (EPA)

- EM field are a flux of quasi-real photons
- Developed by [Fermi](#), [Weizäcker](#), and [Williams](#)
- Implemented in STARLIGHT
- Differences with QED calculations

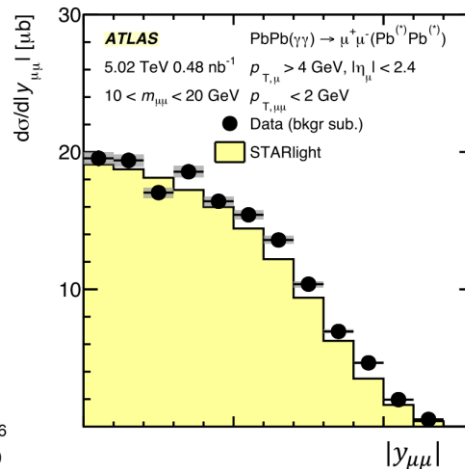
	E_γ proj. frame	E_γ lab frame	$W_{\gamma N}$
Eq.	$1/(2 \cdot 1.2 A^{1/3} \text{ fm})$	$\gamma/(1.2 A^{1/3} \text{ fm})$	$\sqrt{4E_\gamma E_N}$
LHC	30 MeV	160 GeV	1.7 TeV
RHIC	30 MeV	6 GeV	50 GeV

Ultra-peripheral collisions at the LHC

Steinberg, Initial Stages 2019



[arXiv:2011.12211](https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.12211)



Pure EM interactions

- For example, $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow l^+l^-$
 - Precision tests of EPA and QED calculations of photon flux
 - Active area of research
 - b dependence of photon p_T
 - Photon polarization
- [arXiv:2103.16623](https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.16623)

Vector meson quantum fluctuation

$$\Delta t \approx \frac{\hbar}{M_V c^2}$$



collision time

$$\Delta t \simeq b/(\gamma v)$$

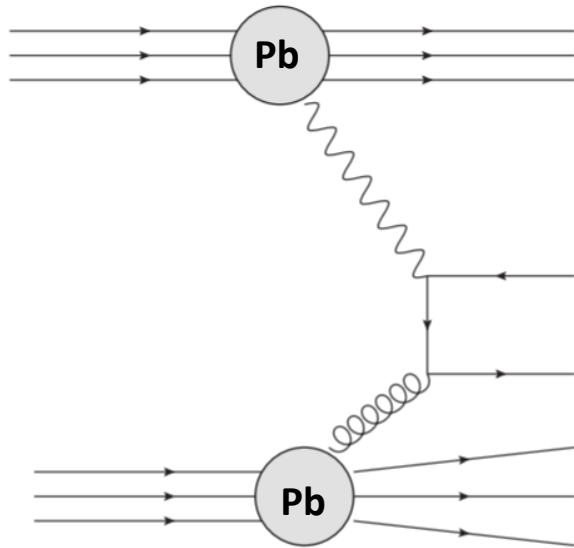
Photo-nucleus interactions

- Bare photon + vector meson wave function
- QCD diffractive vector meson production $\gamma + A \rightarrow A^* + V$
- Non-diffractive $\gamma + A \rightarrow X$

Photonuclear interactions

Direct γA collisions

Photon couples directly to nuclear parton

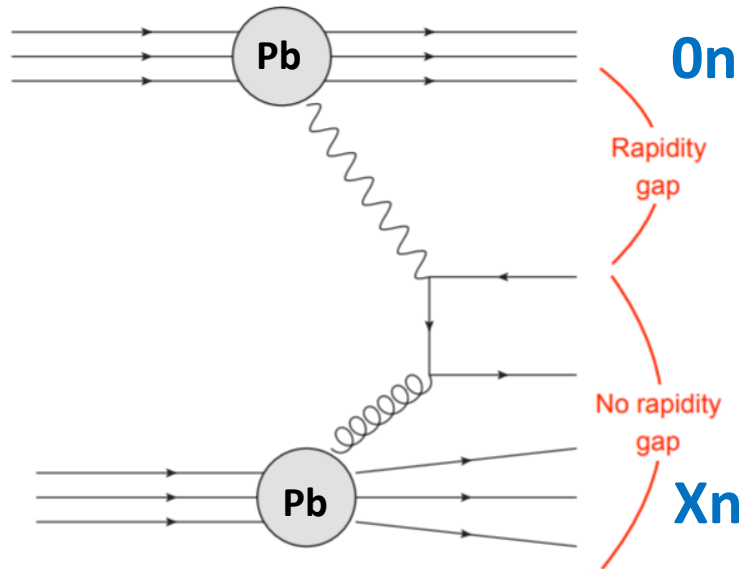


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 $+y$
|
Rapidity
|
 $-y$
 \downarrow

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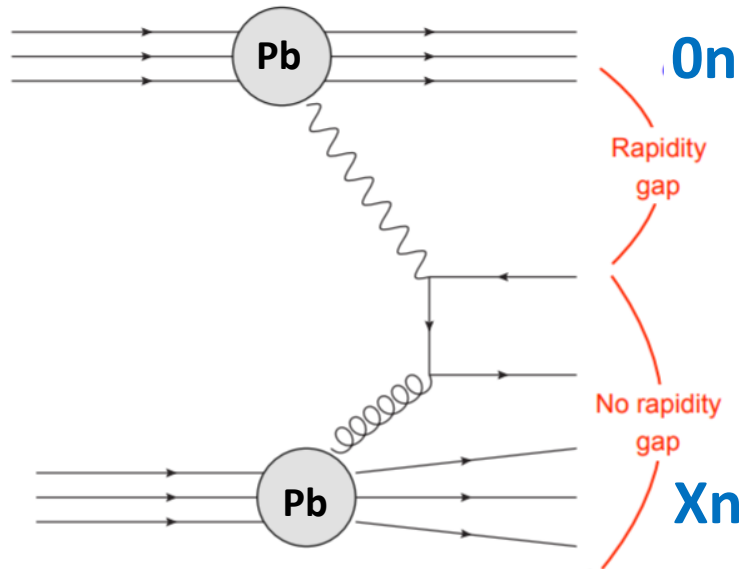
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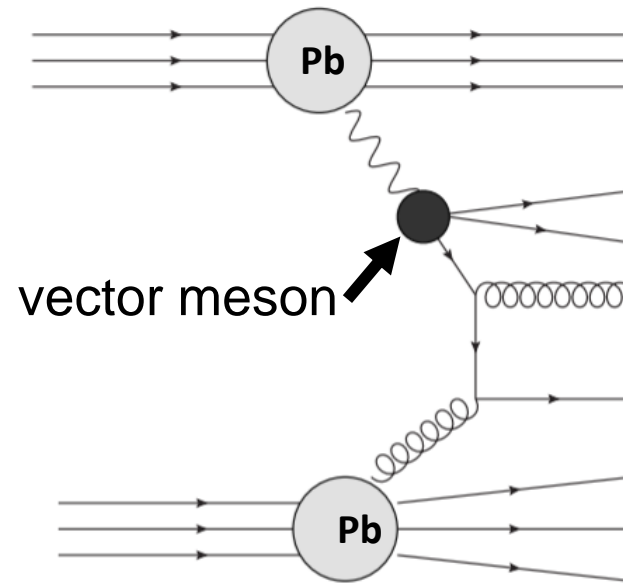
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Resolved γA collisions

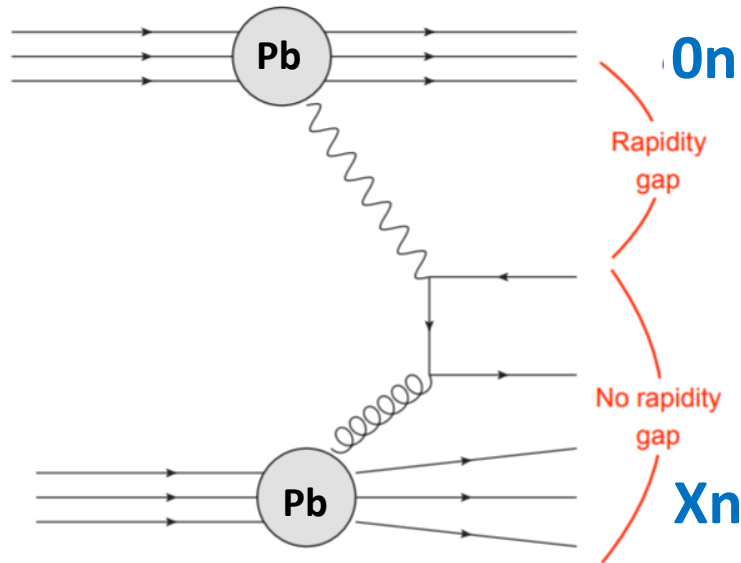
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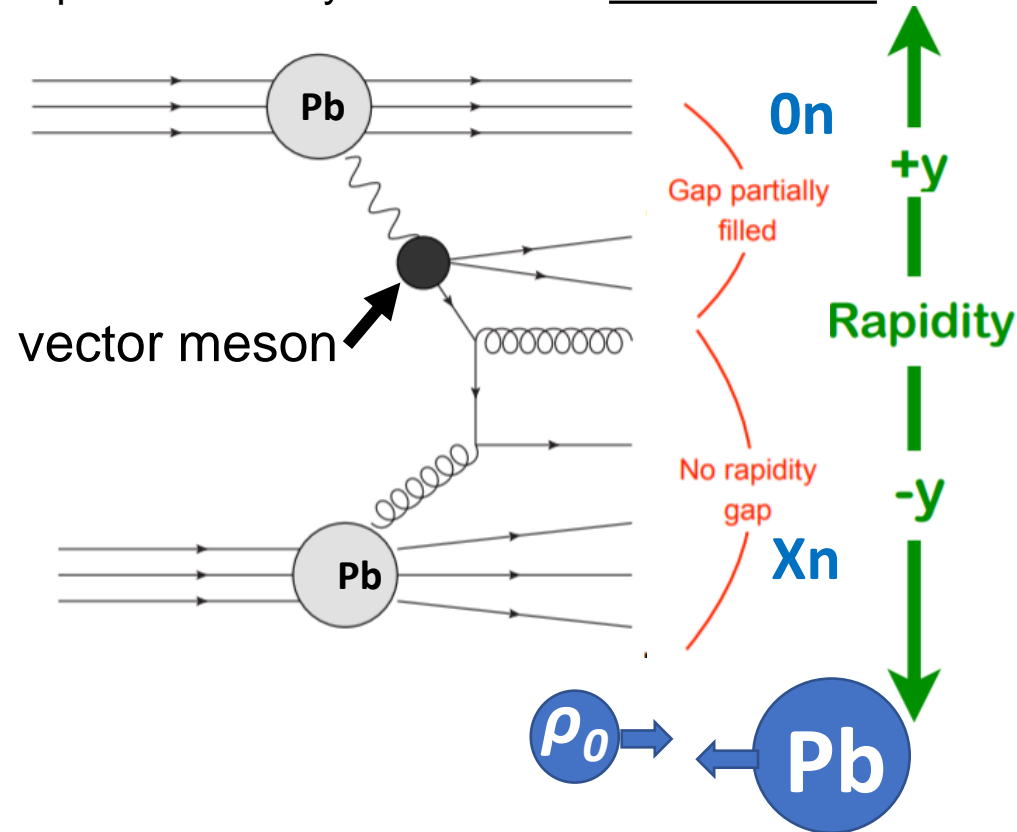
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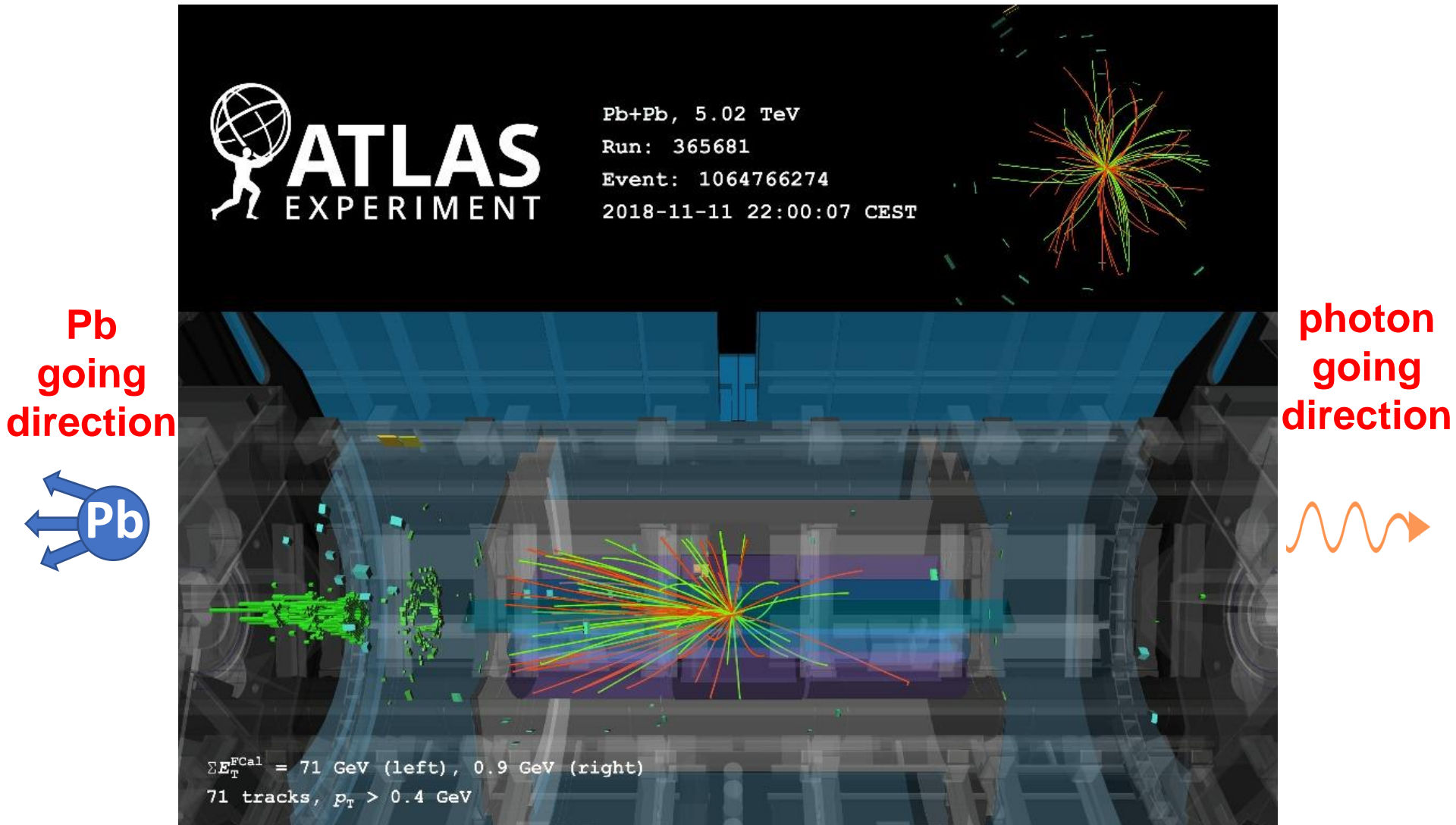


Select events based on primarily

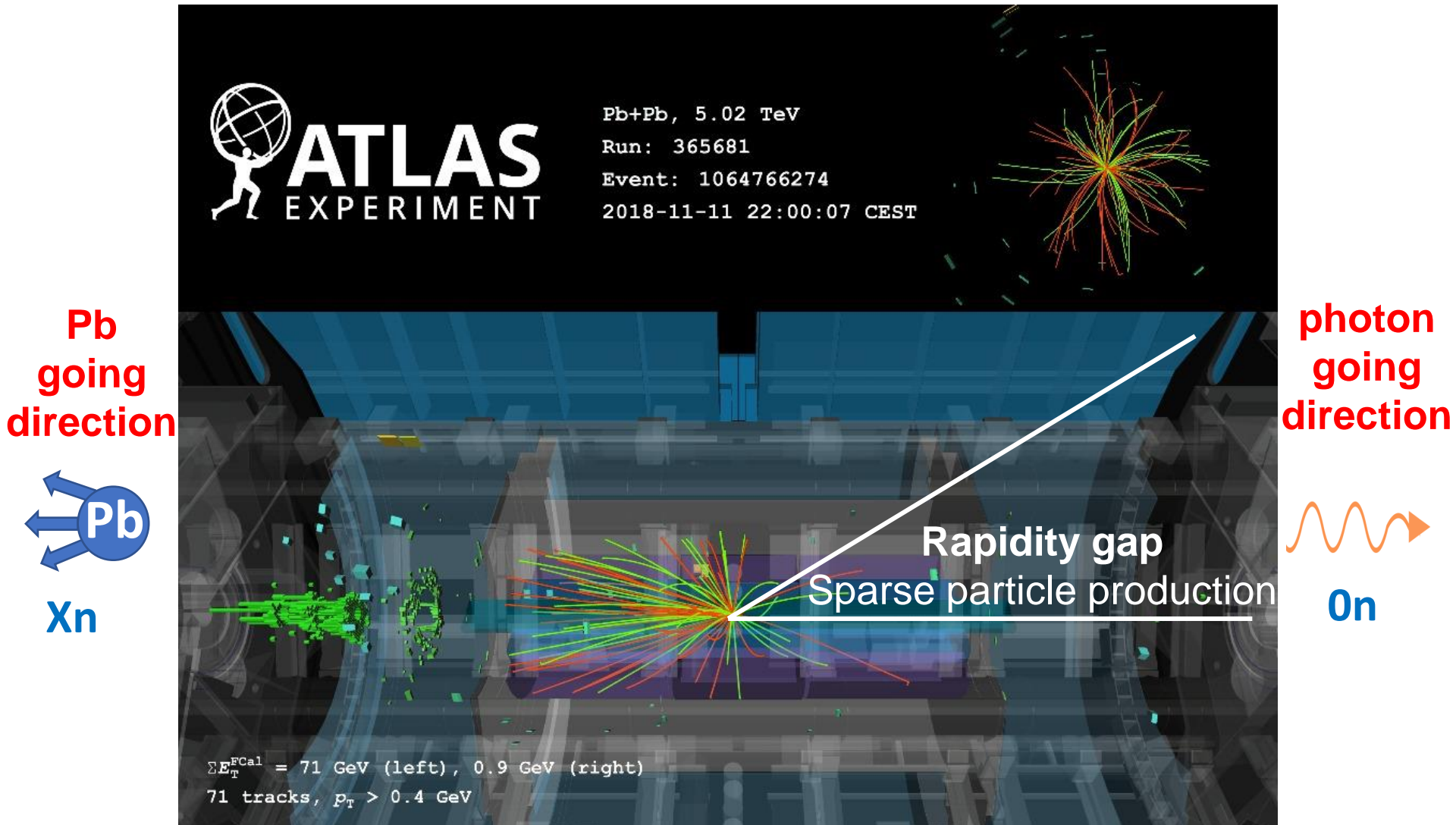
- Single-sided nuclear breakup " $0nXn$ " (zero-degree calorimeter ZDC)
- Rapidity gaps

Minimum bias selection includes both but is dominated by resolved events.

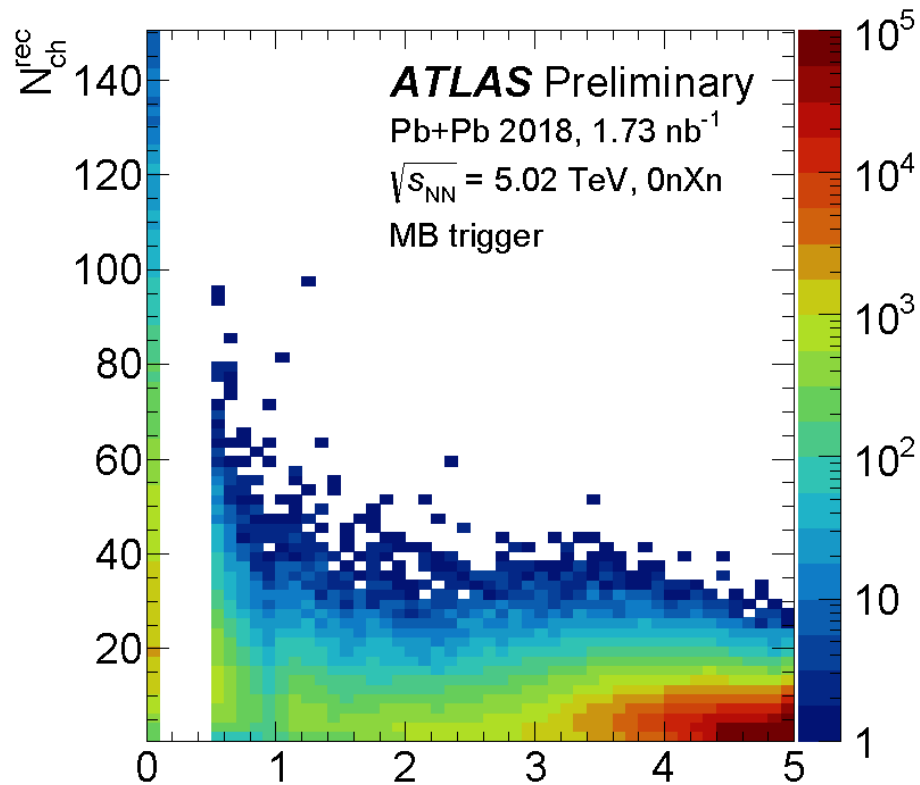
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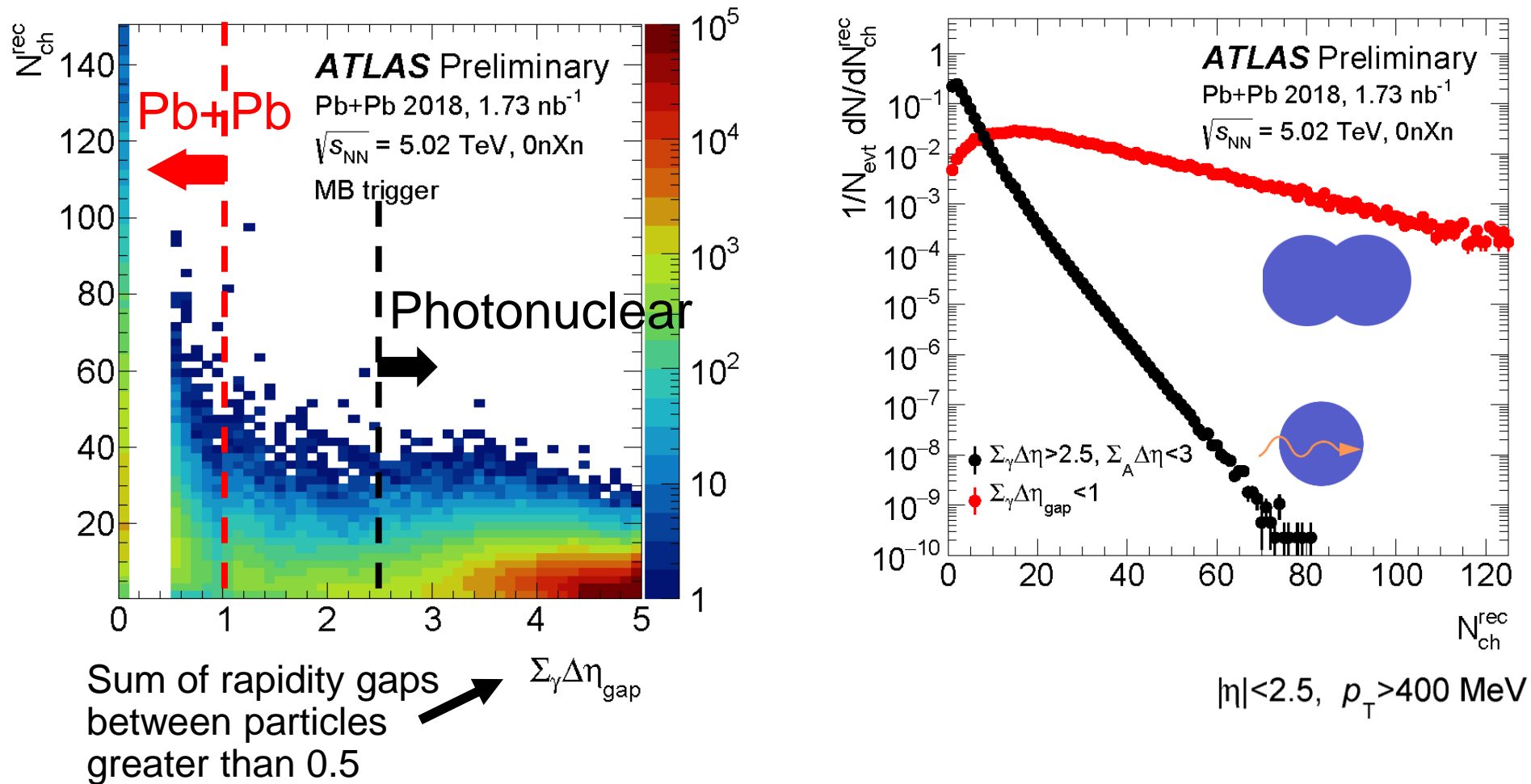
Photonuclear rapidity gaps $\Sigma_{\gamma}\Delta\eta$ and N_{ch}



Sum of rapidity gaps
between particles
greater than 0.5

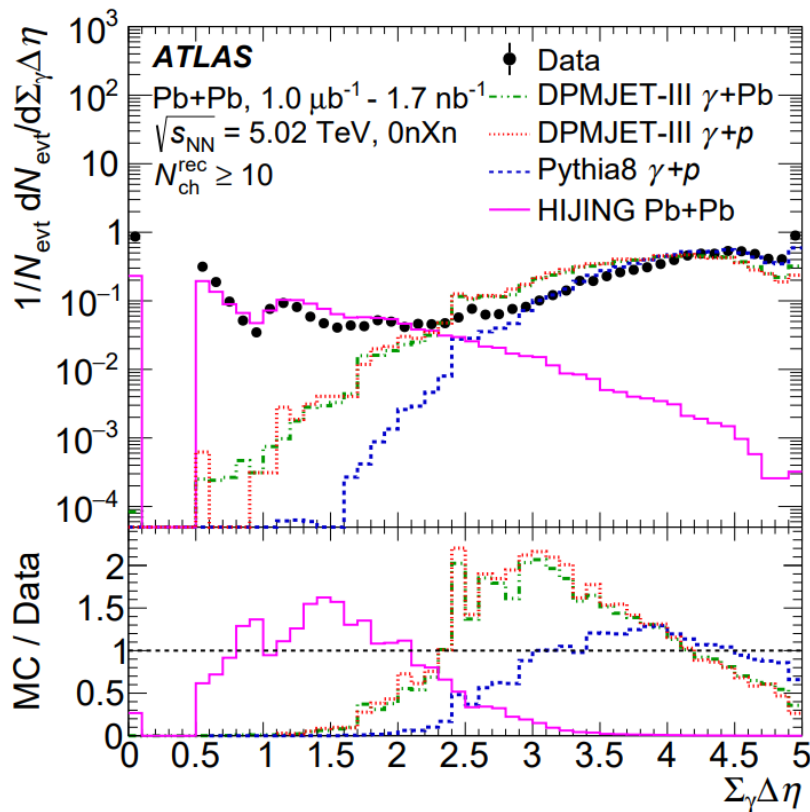
$\Sigma_{\gamma}\Delta\eta_{\text{gap}}$

Photonuclear rapidity gaps $\Sigma_{\gamma}\Delta\eta$ and N_{ch}



Photonuclear events have large rapidity gaps in the photon-going direction and a steeply falling multiplicity distribution. ATLAS-CONF-2019-022

Rapidity gap comparison to MC



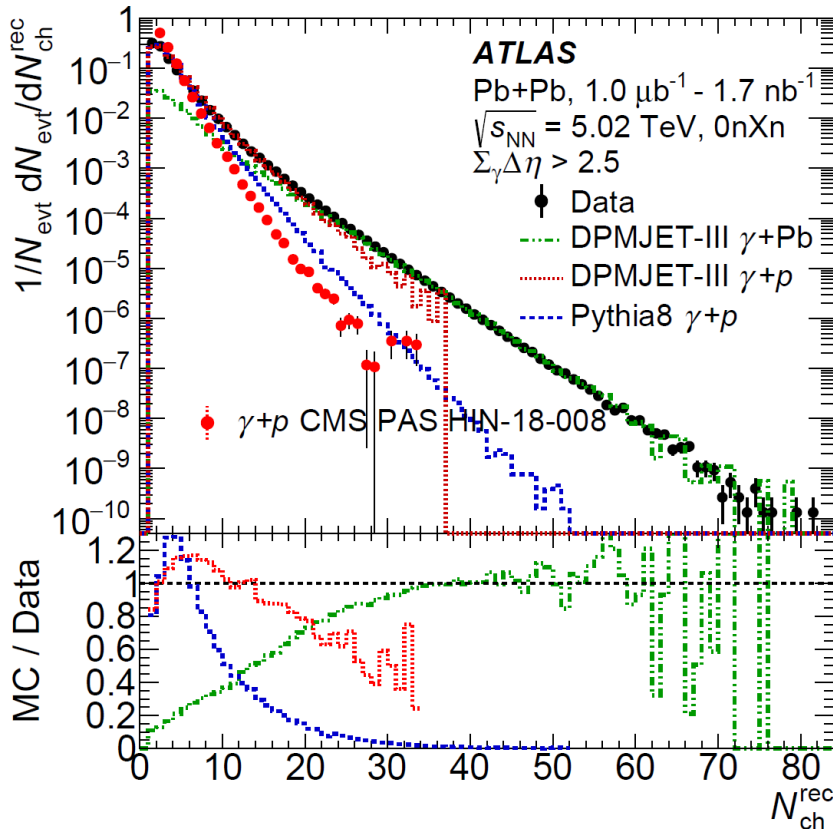
- DPMJET-III γ +A
 - Photon flux generated by STARLIGHT
 - DPMJET simulates γ A collision
- DPMJET-III γ +p
 - Utilizes a Pb+Pb photon flux from STARLIGHT
 - Serves as a comparison to PYTHIA8
- PYTHIA8 γ +p
 - Reweighted to STARLIGHT flux
- HIJING Pb+Pb background MC

MC normalized to data in control regions

Qualitative agreement with MCs, PYTHIA being the most compatible

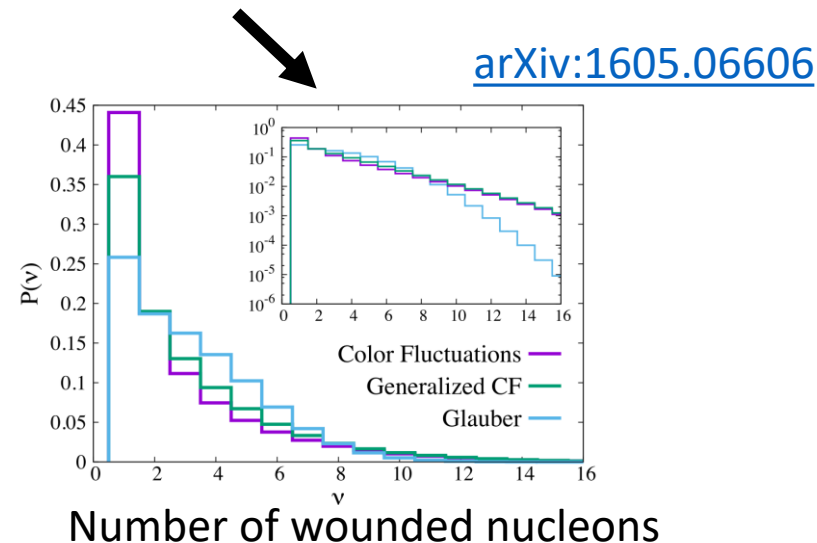
Indicates high purity γ +A sample for $\Sigma_{\gamma}\Delta\eta > 2.5$

Rough N_{ch} comparison $\gamma+A/p$



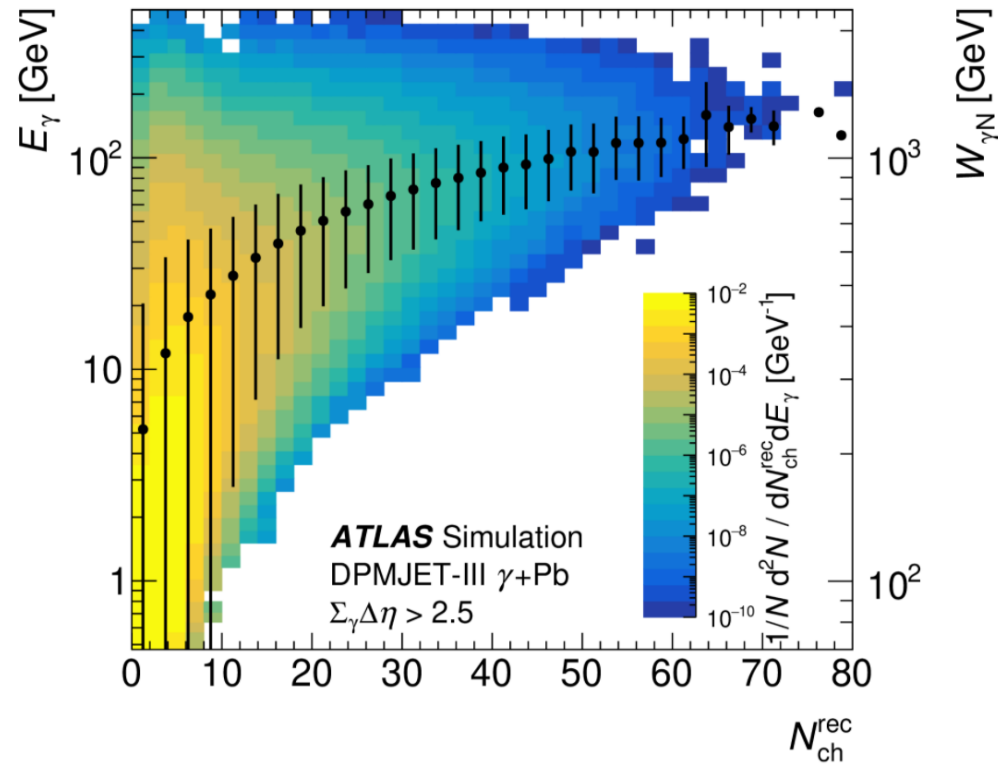
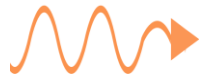
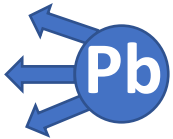
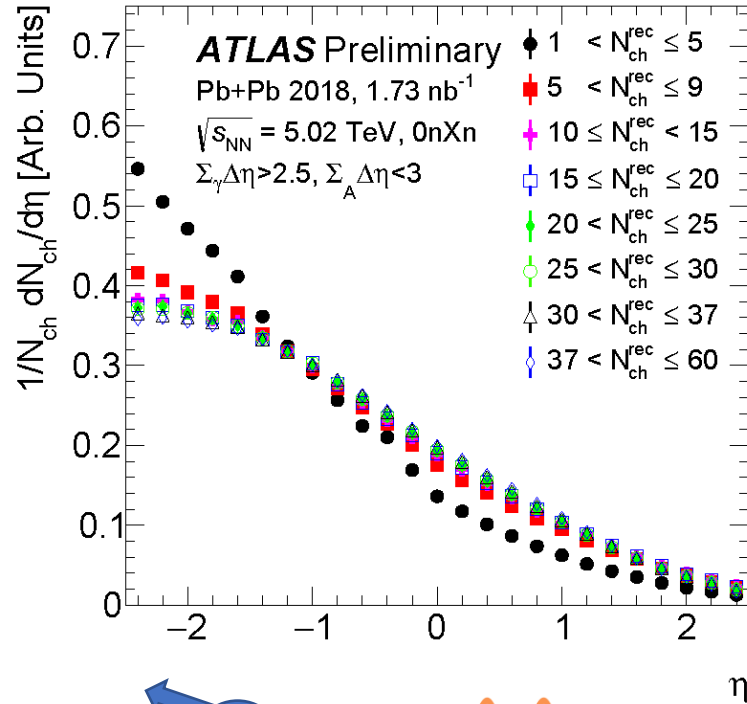
Very rough N_{ch} comparison: different proton energy, acceptance and selection

- Future minimum-bias measurements would add fundamental understanding.
- Such measurements would also add to interesting hadron physics in color fluctuations and more.



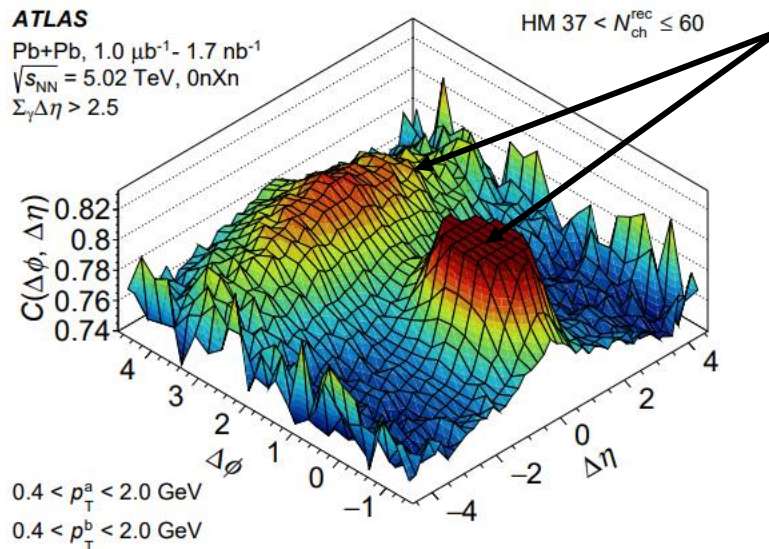
$dN_{ch}/d\eta$ in γA collisions

ATLAS-CONF-2019-022



$dN_{ch}/d\eta$ of photonuclear events - very similar shape with $N_{ch} \geq 10$
 MC comparison show 200 GeV to 1 TeV CM energy ($W_{\gamma N}$)
 $W_{\gamma N}(N_{ch})$ trend comports with N_{ch} trend in data $dN_{ch}/d\eta$

2-particle correlation of charged tracks



No clear
nearside ridge

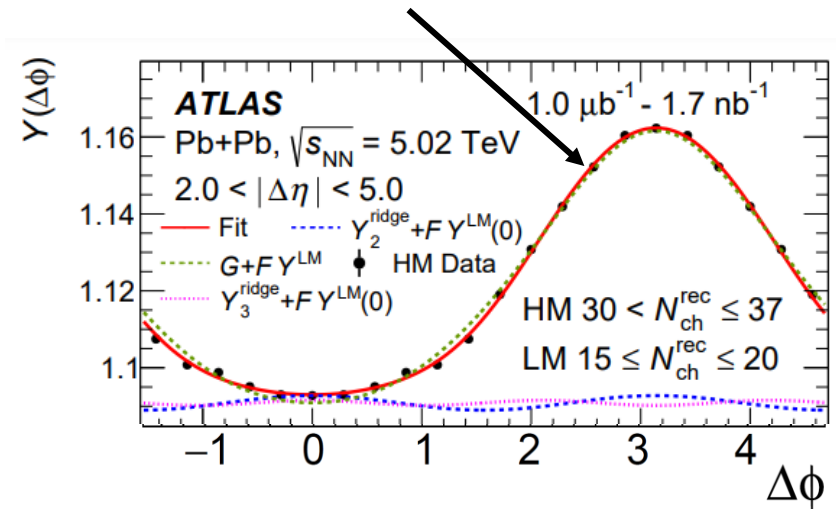
Away-side correlation

Momentum conservation

Jets

Termed “nonflow”

Not collective phenomenon



Need to remove nonflow

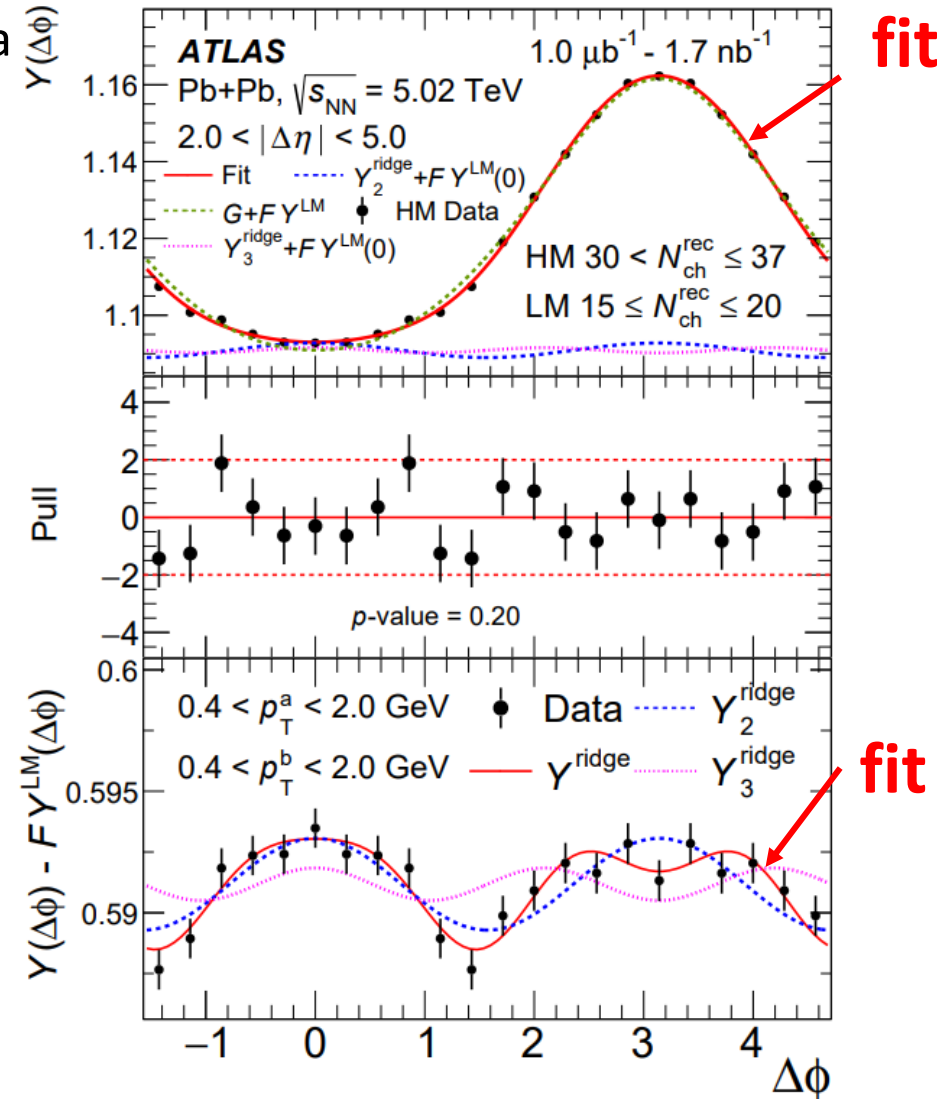
Non-flow removal in γA correlations



High-multiplicity (HM) correlation data

Low multiplicity (LM)

template for jet/non-flow correlation



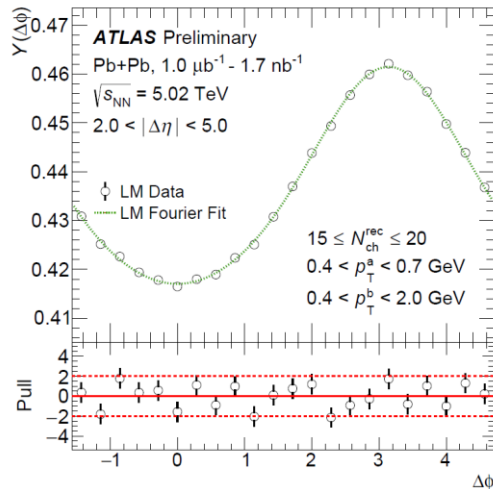
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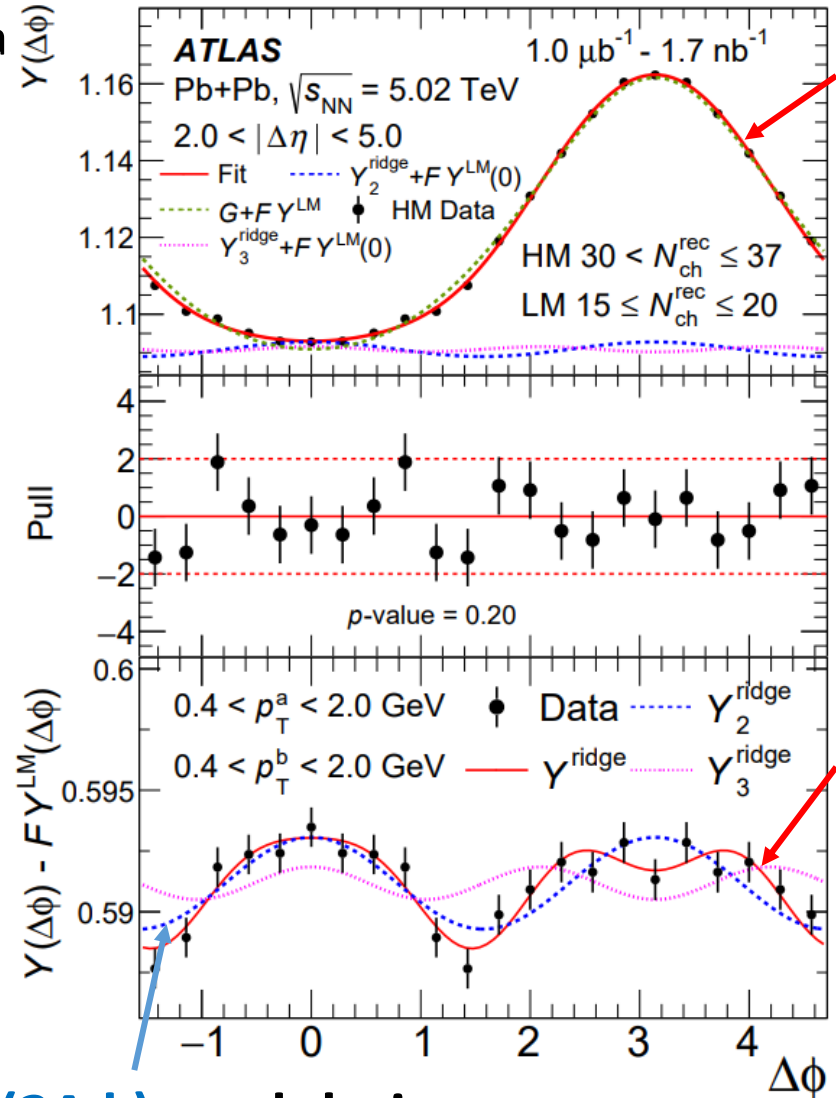
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Nonflow subtraction

- HM fit with LM data and flow coef.
- HM and LM assumed to have same flow shape
- Different LM selection leads to similar results

$$Y^{HM}(\Delta\phi) = FY^{LM}(\Delta\phi) + G \left\{ 1 + 2 \sum_{n=2}^3 v_{n,n} \cos(n\Delta\phi) \right\}$$

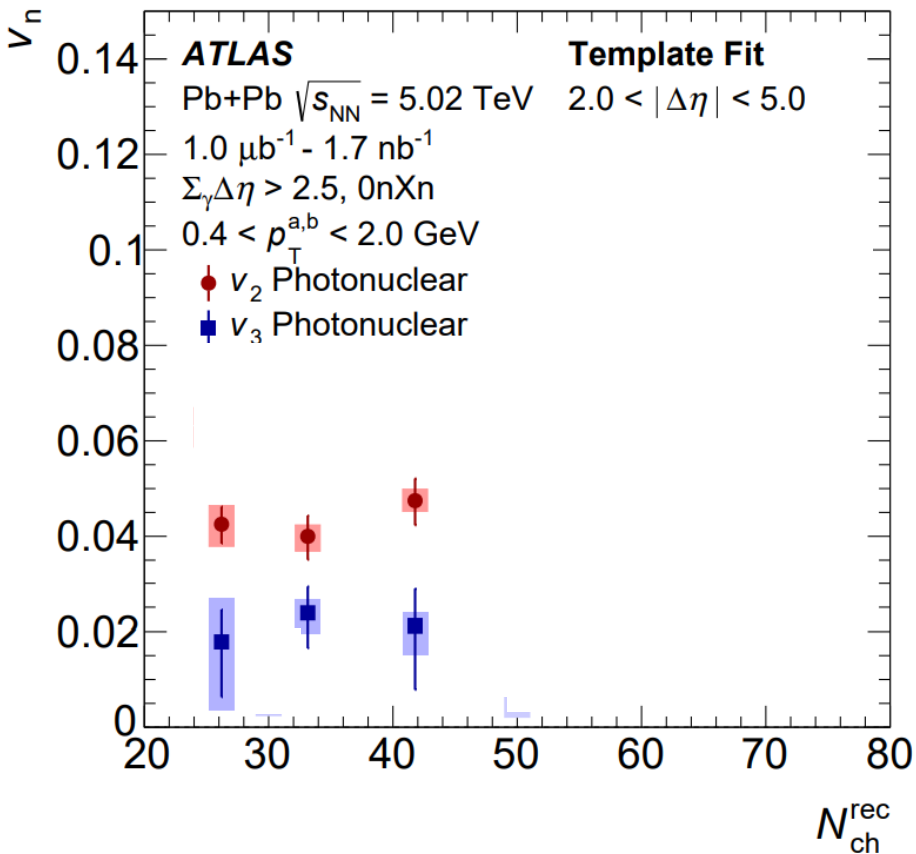


fit

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After nonflow subtraction clear $\cos(2\Delta\phi)$ modulation

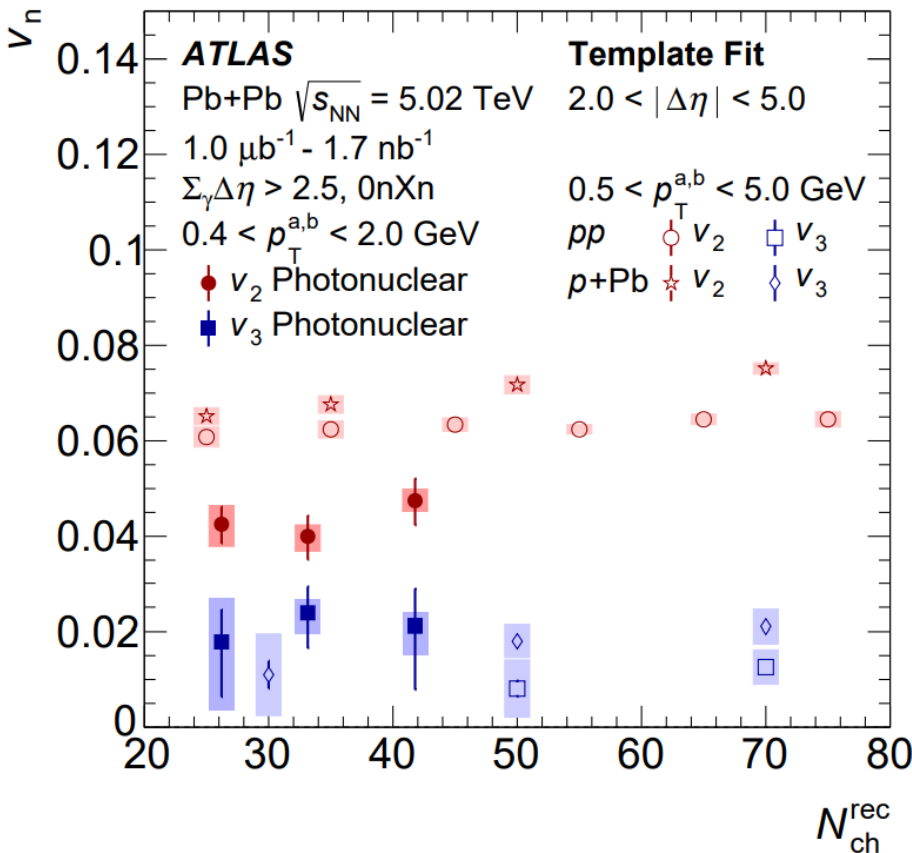
v_n in photonuclear collisions



Significant nonzero v_2 and v_3 in photonuclear collisions

Flat $v_2(N_{ch})$ within statistical precision

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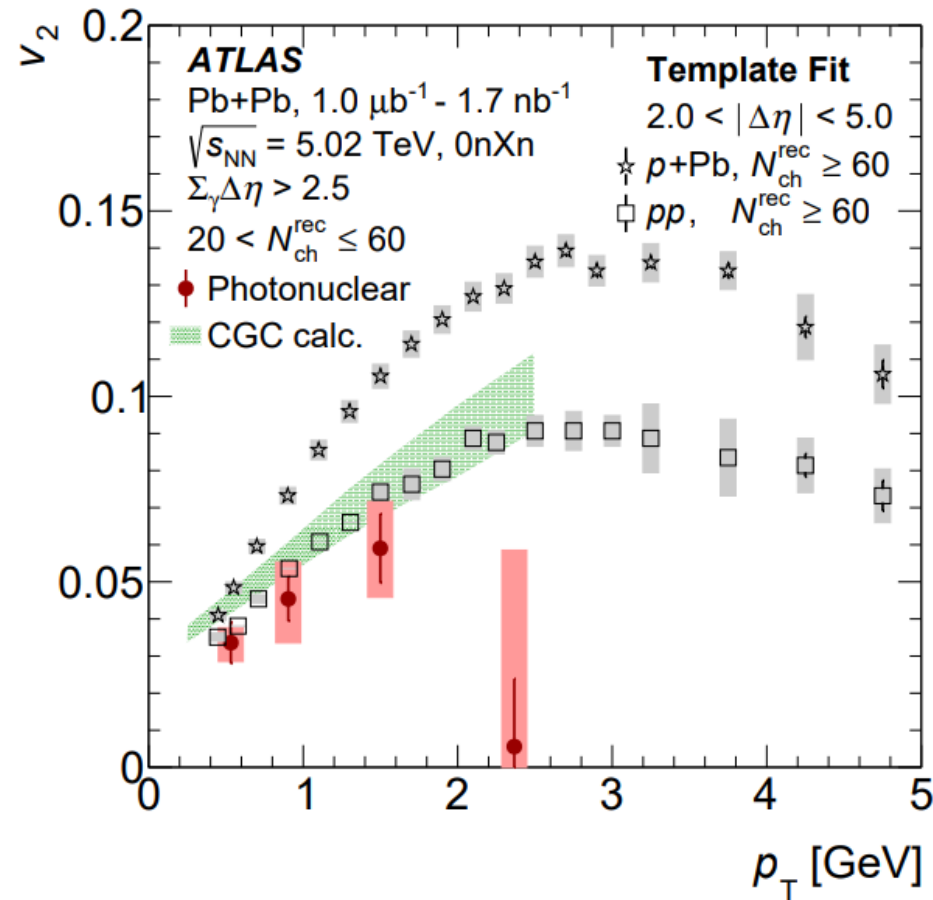
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Changing pp to $0.4 < p_T < 2.0$ is predicted to lower pp v_2 by $\sim 10\%$ which does not lead to agreement between pp and γA

Consistent v_3 between γA and pp given large uncertainties on both

$v_2(p_T)$ comparison with pp and $p+Pb$



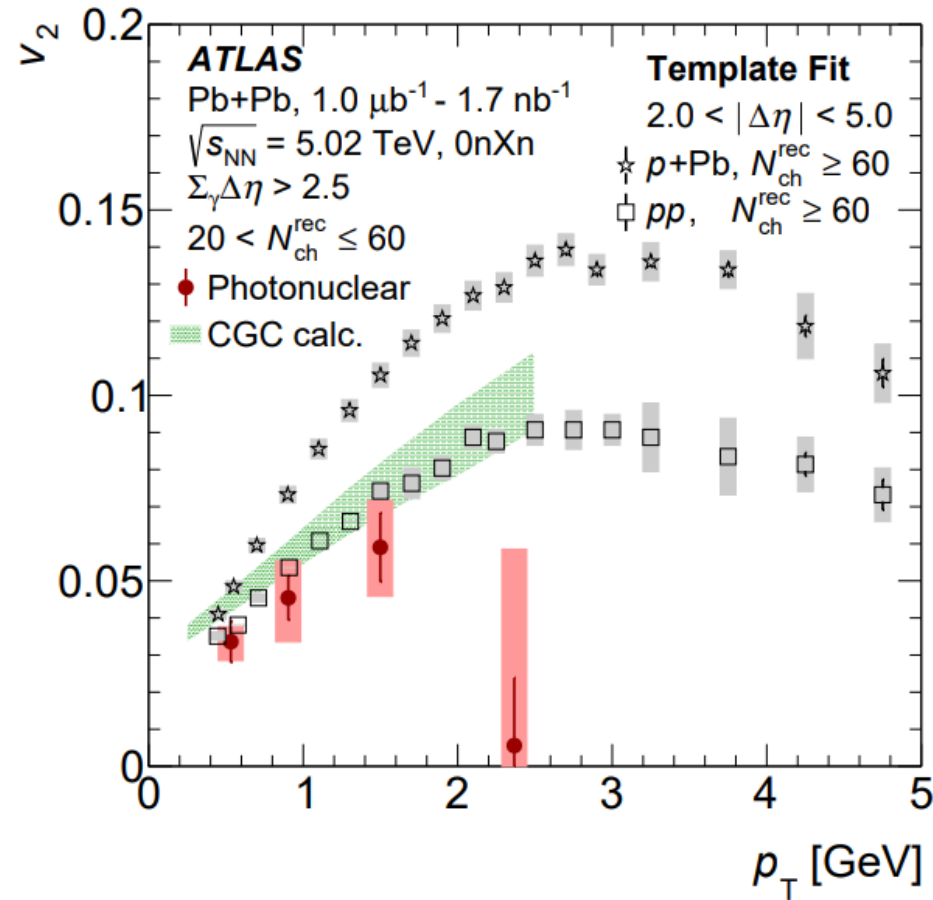
Similar trend in $v_2(p_T)$ as other hadronic systems.

Similar low- p_T behavior as pp and $p+Pb$ but systematically lower.

High- p_T v_2 is falling to large negative values (see backup) which is from the over-subtraction of nonflow.

This effect is present in pp but is larger and sets in at lower p_T in γA (ATLAS-CONF-2020-018)

$v_2(p_T)$ comparison with CGC calc.



Compared to
**Color Glass Condensate
(CGC) framework**
calculation of $\gamma A v_2(p_T)$ with
 $Q_s^2 = 5 \text{ GeV}^2$ and $B_p^2 = 25 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

Model is consistent with data
at low- p_T

Theory uncertainty from
hadron fragmentation

[arXiv:2008.03569](https://arxiv.org/abs/2008.03569)

Origin of γ A ridge

Final state effects

Initial-state geometry \rightarrow hydro \rightarrow final-state anisotropy has described simultaneously many systems

- In small systems the initial geometry is largely determined by fluctuation
- We ran a constituent quark model, 2 vs 3 quarks on Pb and found almost no difference in ε_2 and ε_3 .
- In that sense, one might expect similar results for p +Pb and rho+Pb at fixed multiplicity.
- A more complete calculation is needed also considering the bare photon portion of the wave function, color fluctuations, possible correlations between the impact parameter and photon energy etc.

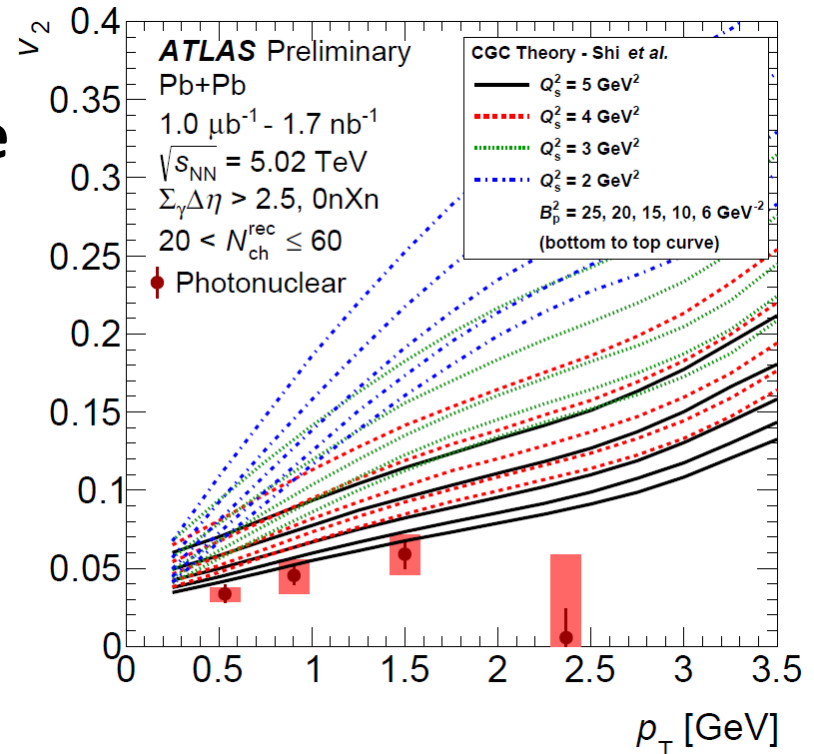
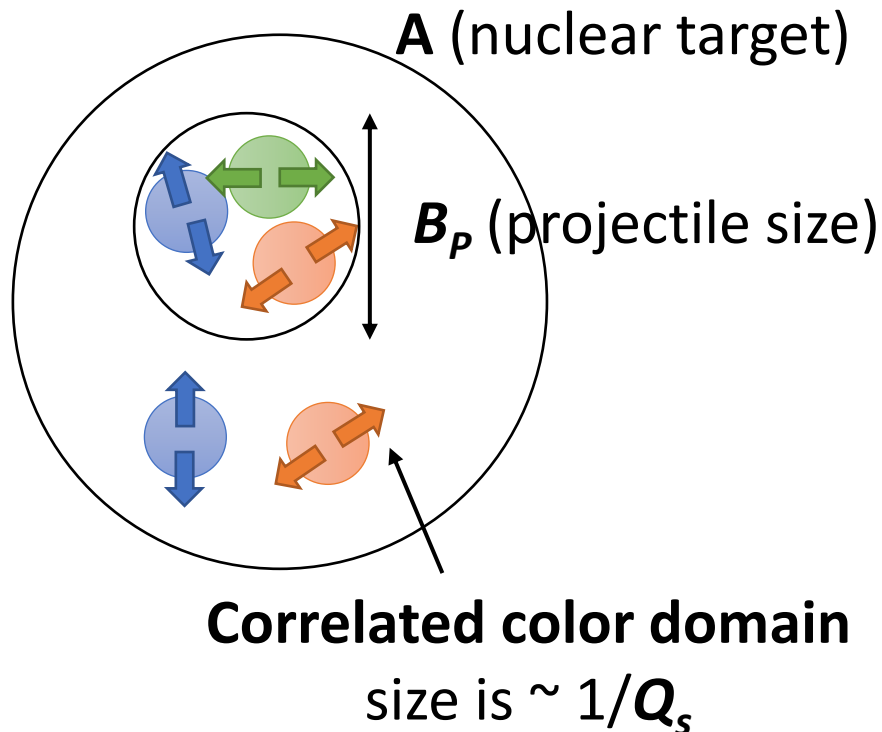
Initial state correlation

Less success in the description of a diverse set of observables.

- A schematic CGC calculation is discussed in the next slide.

CGC model comparison

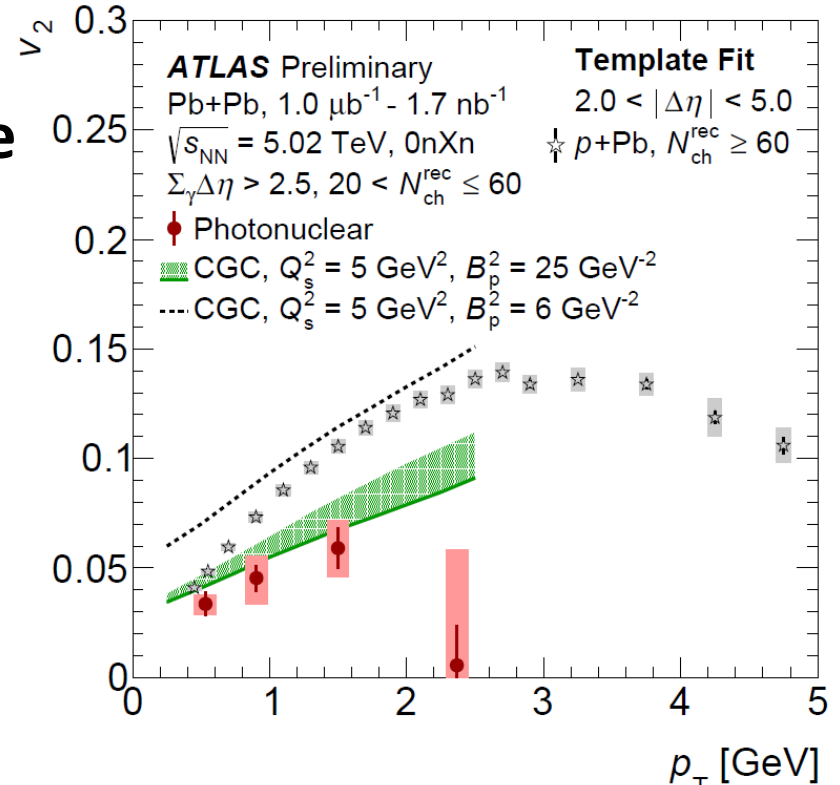
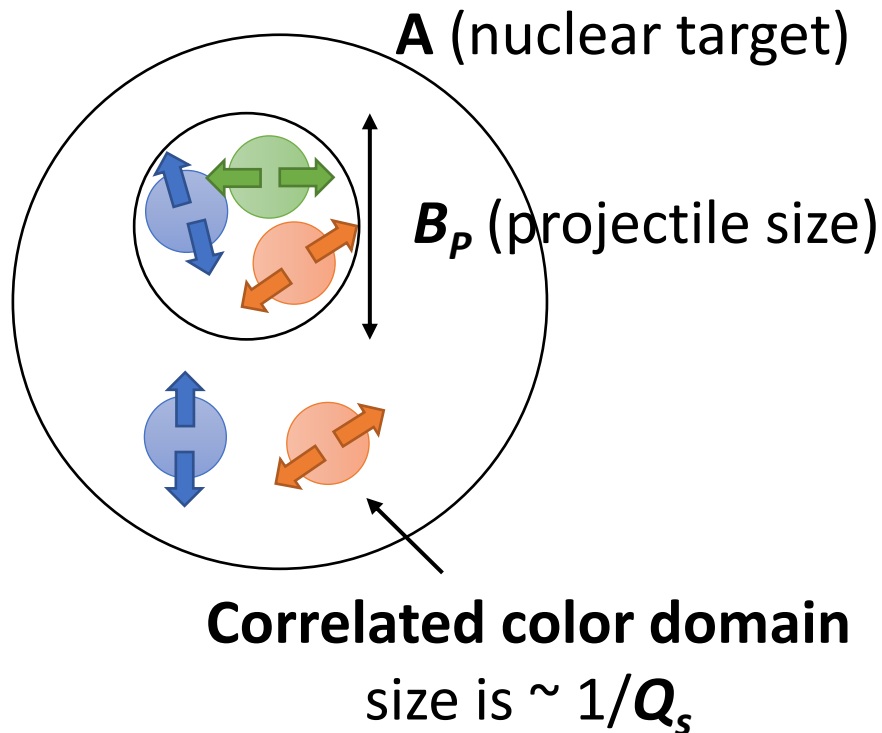
Color Glass Condensate model calculation containing **initial-state correlations** which gives rise to nonzero v_2



- Larger number of domains struck \rightarrow lower v_2
- Quasi-real photon is predicted to have large B_p

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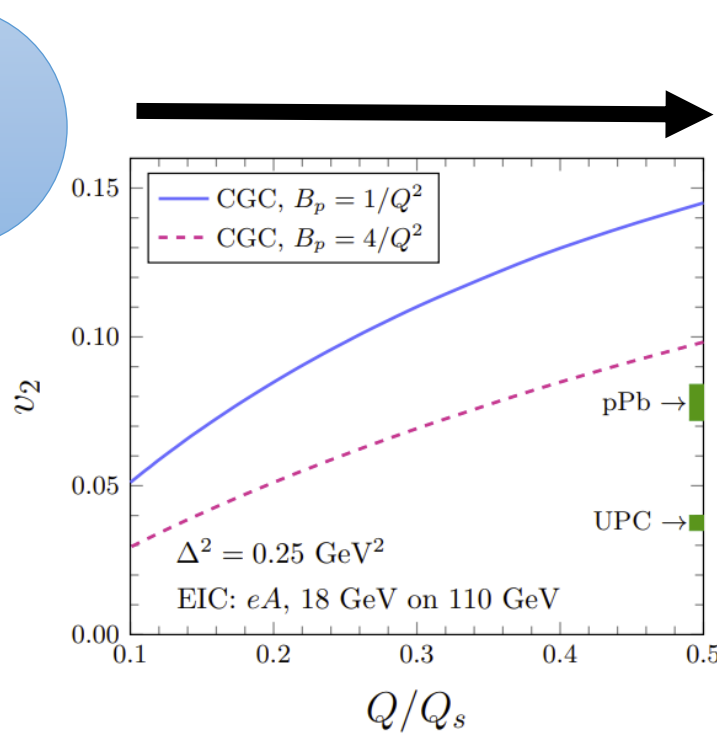
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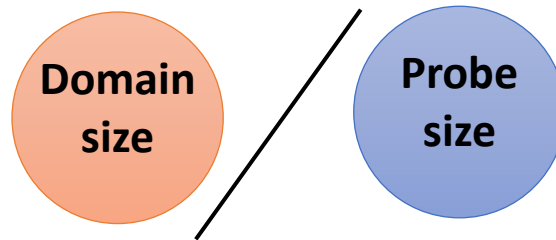
- Similar calculations describing $p\text{-Pb}$ (arXiv:1808.09851)
- Difference in v_2 is a result of a smaller B_p^2 for a proton where $B_p^2 \sim 1/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2$

CGC prediction at the EIC

[arXiv:2101.10771](https://arxiv.org/abs/2101.10771)



Prediction only in
low Q/Q_s regime

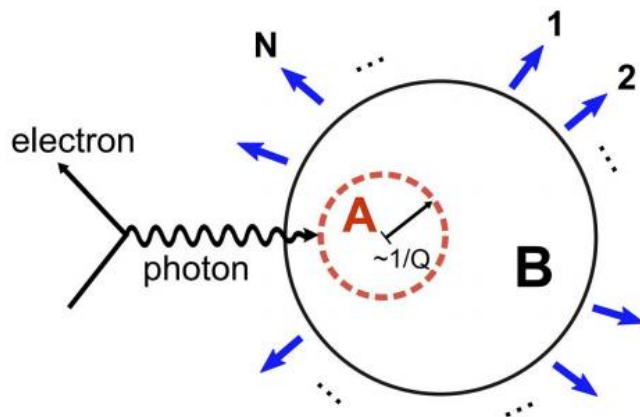


Deferring probe size would affect v_2 in a CGC or hydro picture

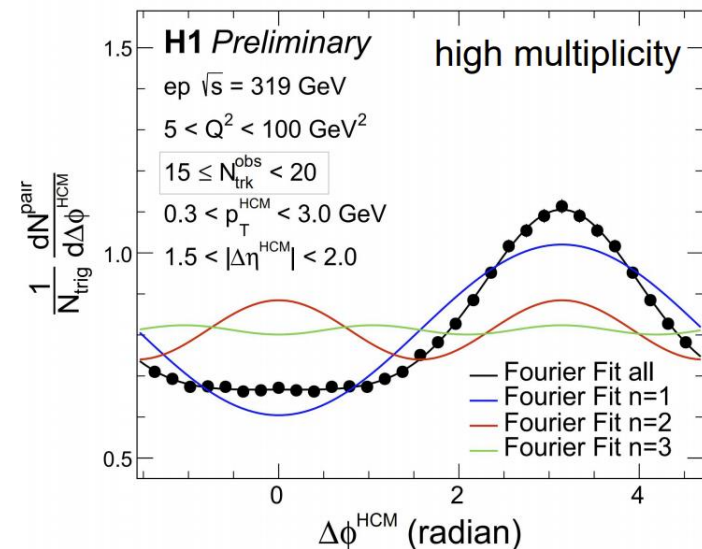
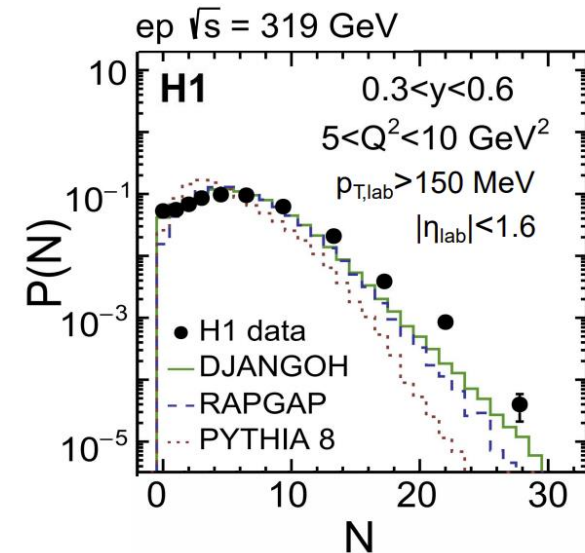
Constraints from DIS: ep at HERA

H1 detector at HERA ep collisions

- Dataset: 2006-2007
- Beam energy: $E_e = 27.6$ GeV, $E_p = 920$ GeV
- Much higher beam energy than CGC EIC predictions
- Lower multiplicities than LHC $\gamma A \rightarrow$



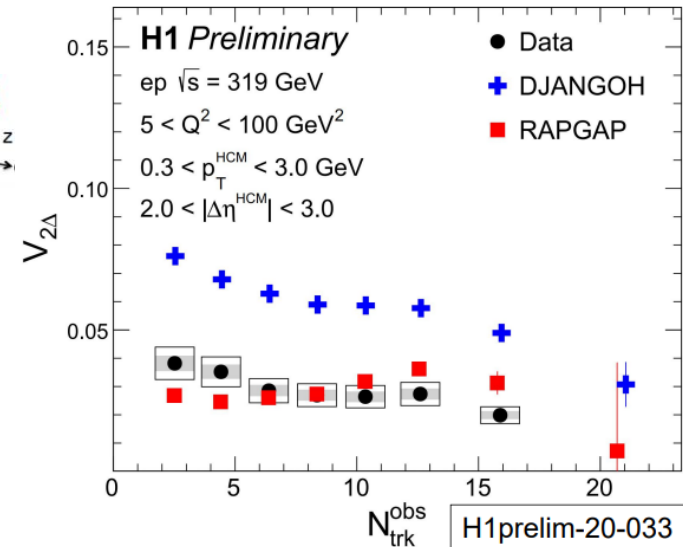
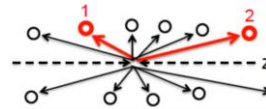
No near-side ridge \rightarrow



H1 searches in DIS and photoproduction

2-particle correlation \rightarrow

- No nonflow removal
- Results **consistent with MC with no collectivity** (RAPGAP)

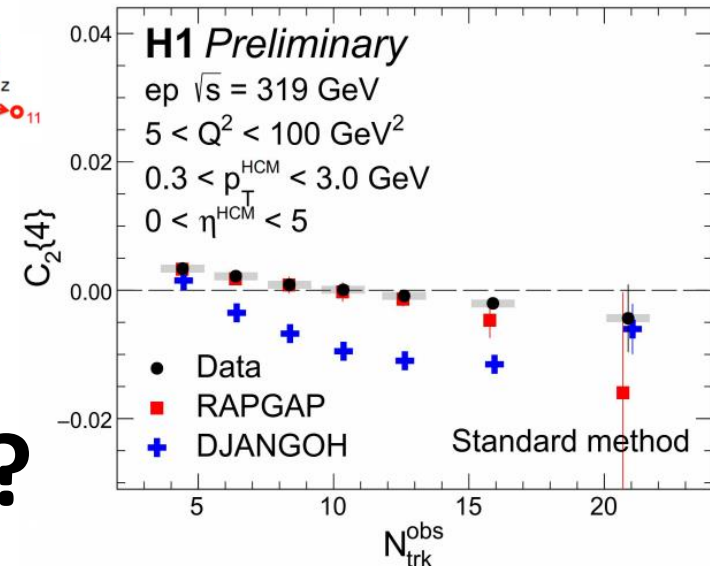
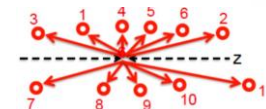


Multi-particle correlations \rightarrow

- Suppresses nonflow
- Negative $C_2\{4\}$ is associated with flow-like signal

$$v_n\{4\} = \sqrt[4]{-c_n\{4\}}.$$

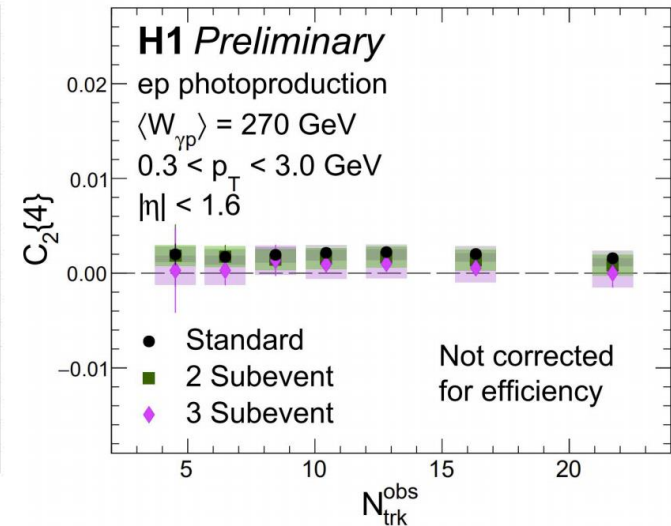
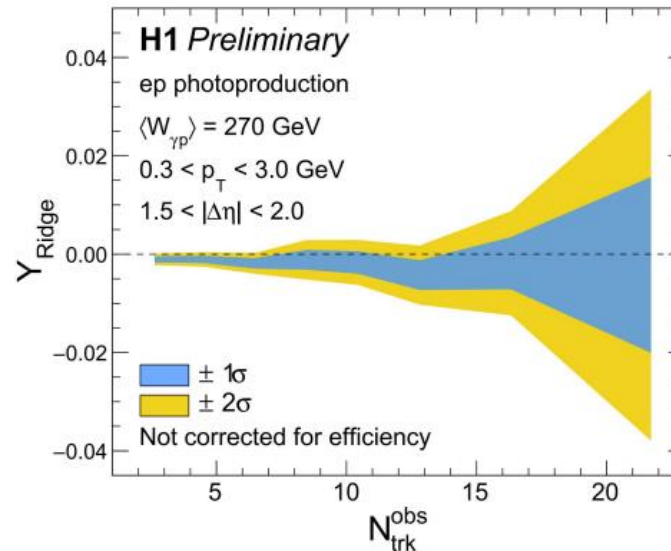
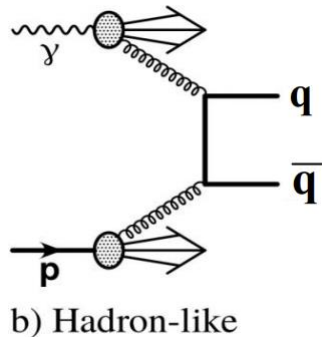
- Consistent with MC w/o collectivity



Extended geometry in DIS?

H1 photoproduction results

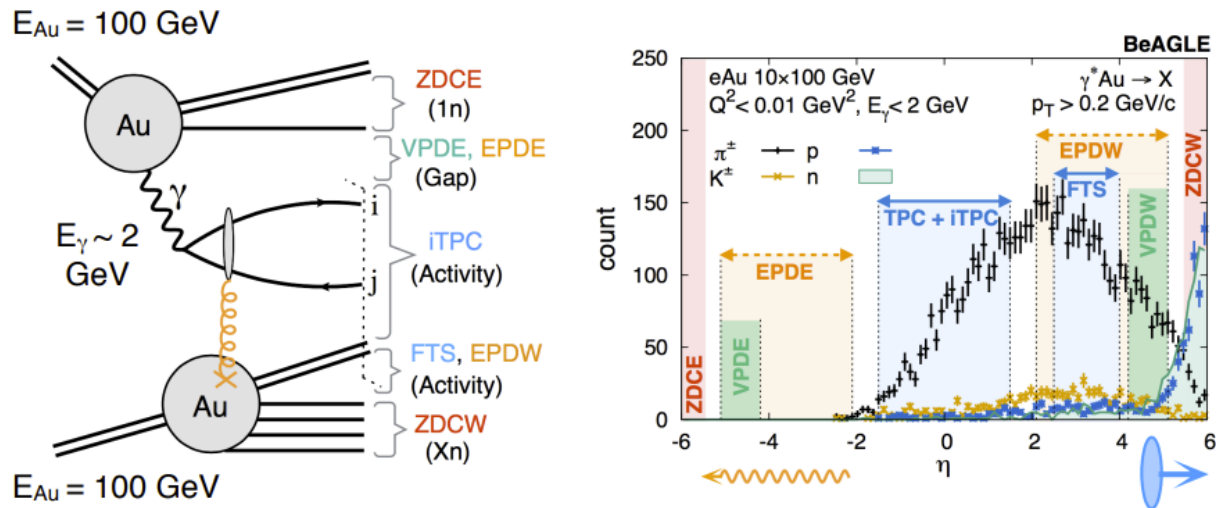
ep photoproduction



- 2-particle and multi-particle correlations indicate similar results as DIS (no obvious ridge yield)
- Q/Q_s is larger in ep photoproduction compared to γA at the LHC
- If applicable, the CGC calculation shown earlier would naively predict a larger v_2 ?
- Further studies could be more directly comparable such as similar treatment of nonflow in ep and multi-particle correlations in γA

γ +Au with STAR

Anticipated Run 2023 with Au+Au 200 GeV



If a high statistics Au+Au 200 GeV dataset is accumulated by STAR from the anticipated 2023 run of RHIC it will provide a golden opportunity to study photonuclear events with the forward upgrades. The same can be done in the photo production limit of e+A at EIC. Key measurements: 1. ridge 2. chemistry (pi/k/p yield) and how they change when compared to hadronic events at the same multiplicity.

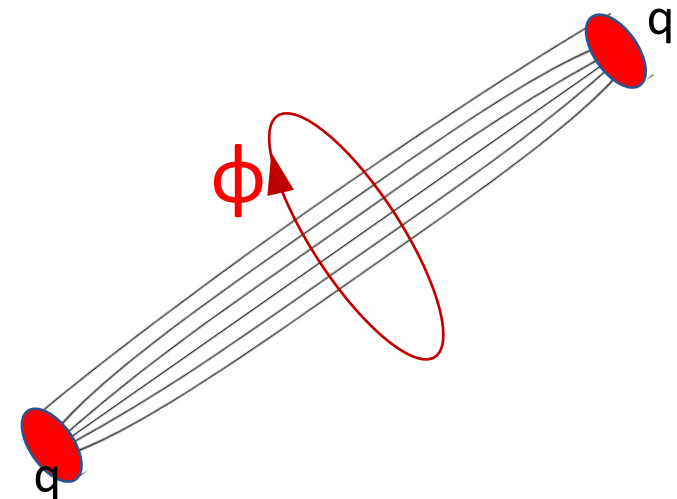
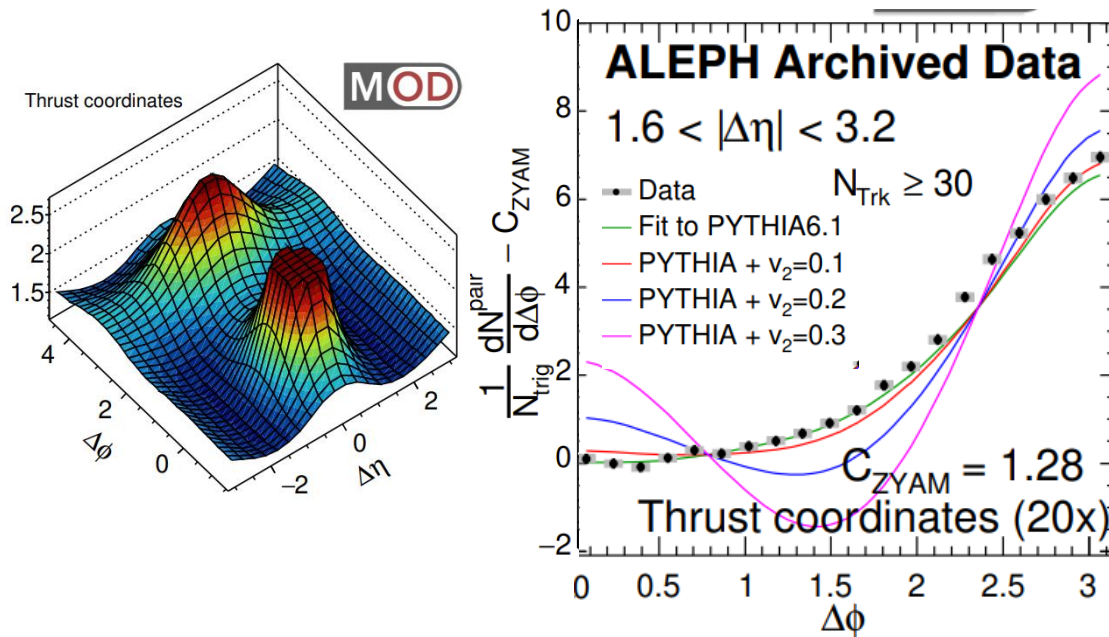
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Collectivity searches in e^+e^-

[arXiv:1906.00489](https://arxiv.org/abs/1906.00489)

2-particle correlation in e^+e^-

- Utilizes both detector coordinates and thrust coordinates (below)
- Large amount of nonflow – could it be removed?



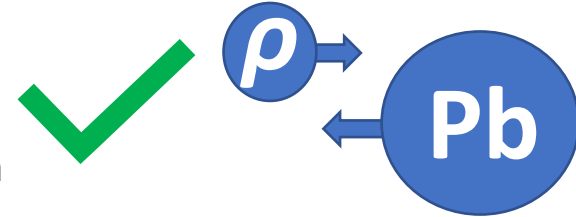
No obvious extended (in η) geometry in e^+e^-
Would not necessarily expect ridge even if collective effects exist

Conclusions

Results

Photonuclear v_n has a similar order of magnitude and trends as other previously measured hadronic systems

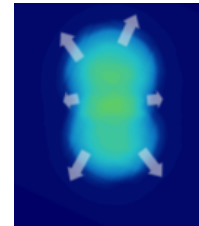
Intuitive property of hadronic-like photonuclear collisions (photon \rightarrow vector meson).



Theory

Compared to CGC model and are interested in models which include **final-state effects**.

Quantitative comparison between ep photoproduction and γA



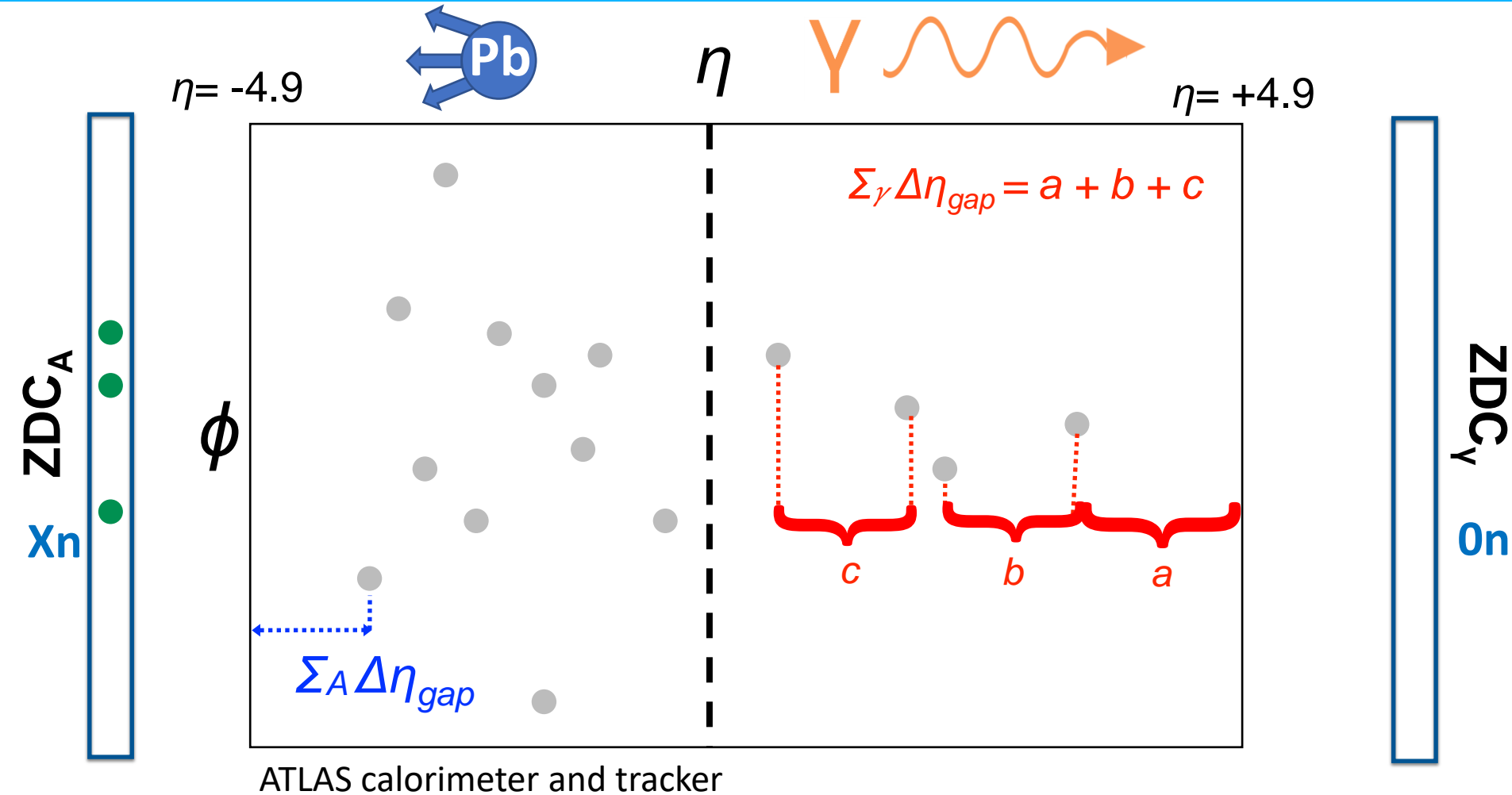
Future study in γA

Difference with pp might be a consequence of (and further studied by) CM energy, CM-frame rapidity acceptance, decorrelations effects, and multi-particle correlations



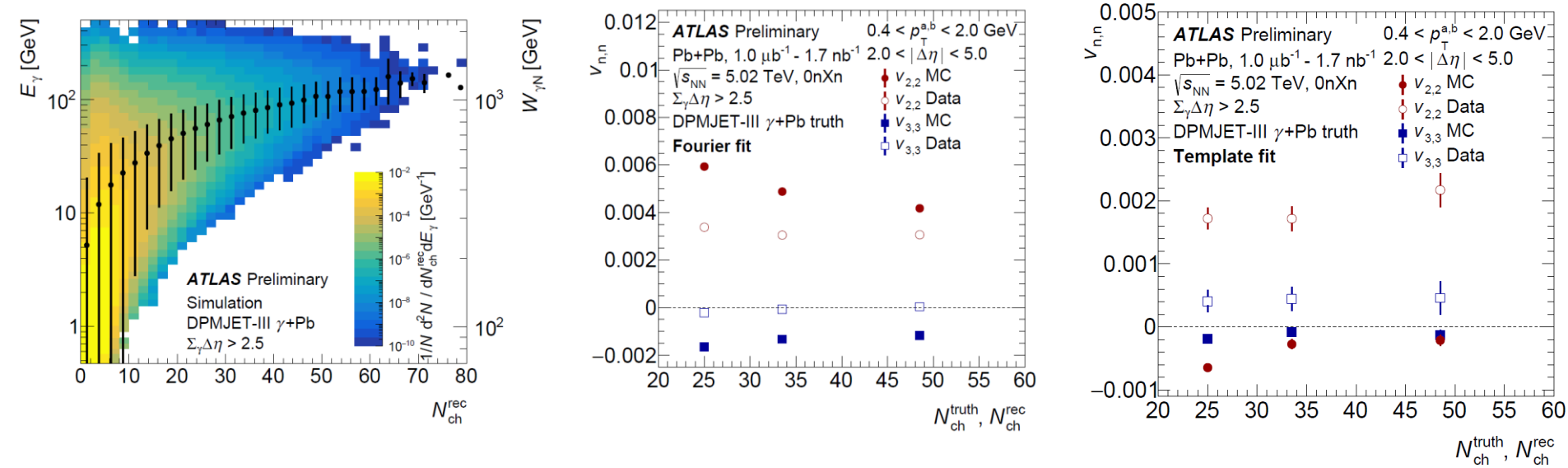
Thank you

Gap definition (detector roll-out)



Event Selection: $\Sigma \Sigma_\gamma \Delta\eta_{gap} > 2.5$

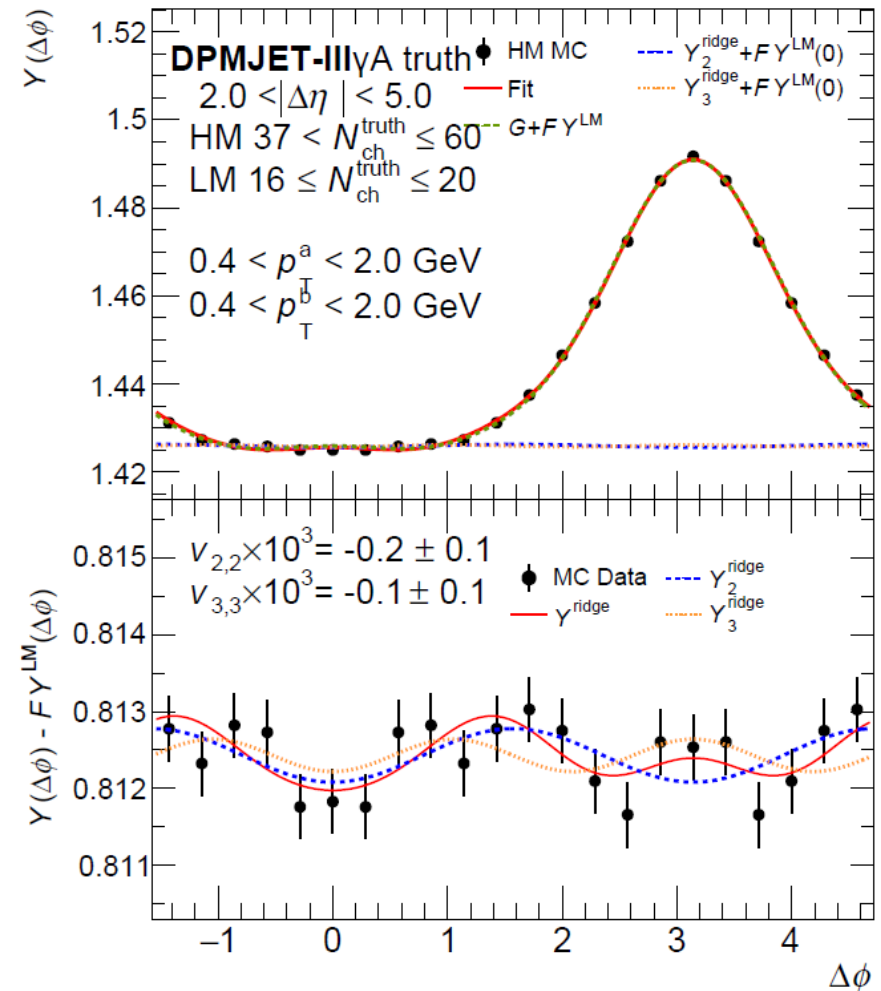
Comparison to DPMJET-III



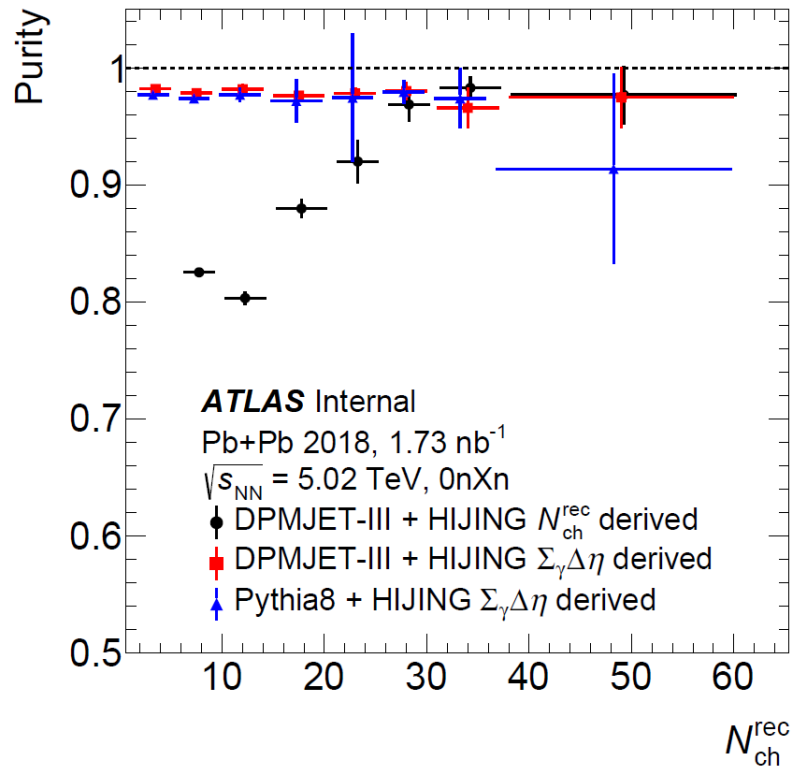
- DPMJET-III predicts the photon energy changes by about 1-2 standard deviations over the multiplicity range of the measurement and a doubling of the mean $W_{\gamma N}$ for 10 to 60 N_{ch}^{rec} .
- Large difference between measured $v_{n,n}$ before and after template nonflow subtraction for data and DPMJET-III.
- Small negative $v_{2,2}$ after template fit

DPMJET-III 2PC example

More jet-like away side in DPMJET-III than in data. This produces the larger unsubtracted $v_{2,2}$ seen on the previous slide. Small remaining modulation after nonflow subtraction seen in the lower panel. DPMJET-III is of limited use in modeling the soft correlations in photonuclear events.

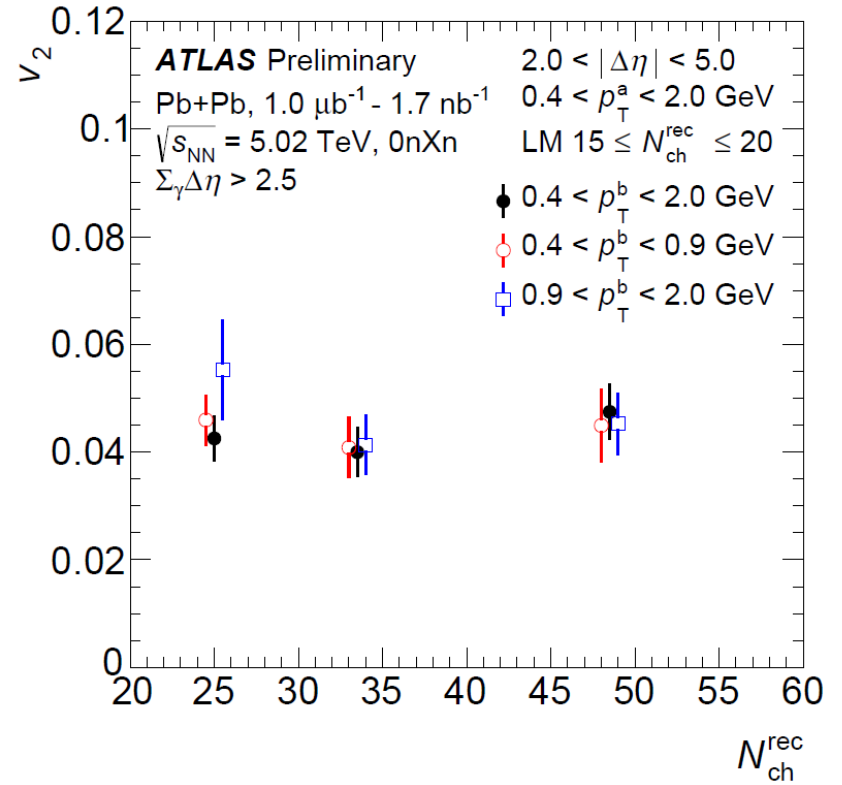
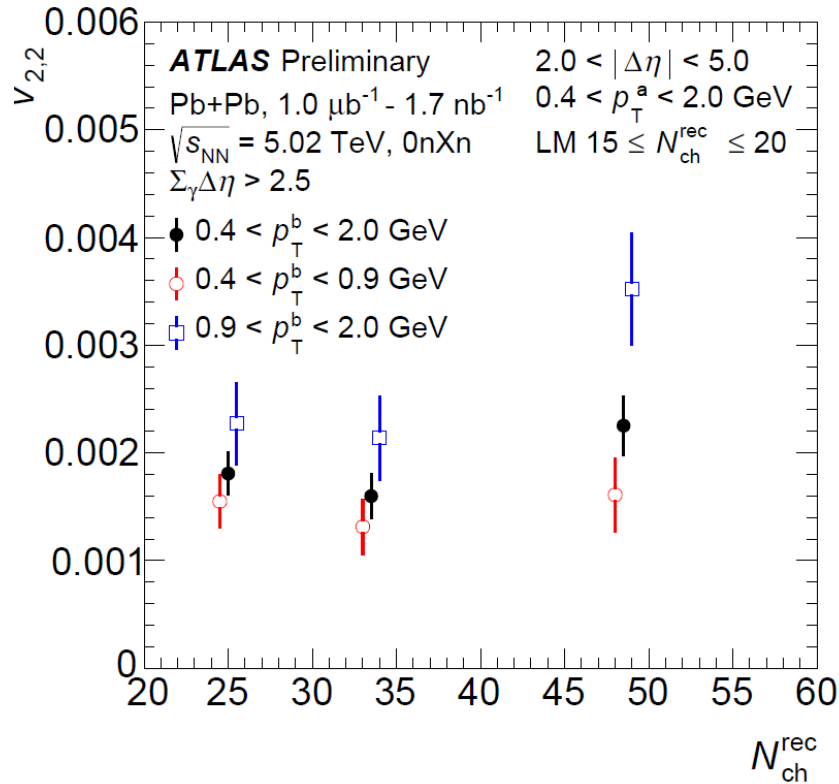


Purity of the photonuclear selection



- A two-component fit was performed (signal MC) + (background MC) to data distributions to determine the purity.
- The N_{ch} and $\Sigma_v \Delta\eta$ distributions were used.
- A conservative approach was taken and the worst purities were used to assess possible effects.
- A pp $\Delta\phi$ correlation with the same selections was subtracted (according to the bins purity) from the photonuclear data as a systematic variation and the sensitivity is included in the final result.

Factorization $v_2(N_{\text{ch}})$



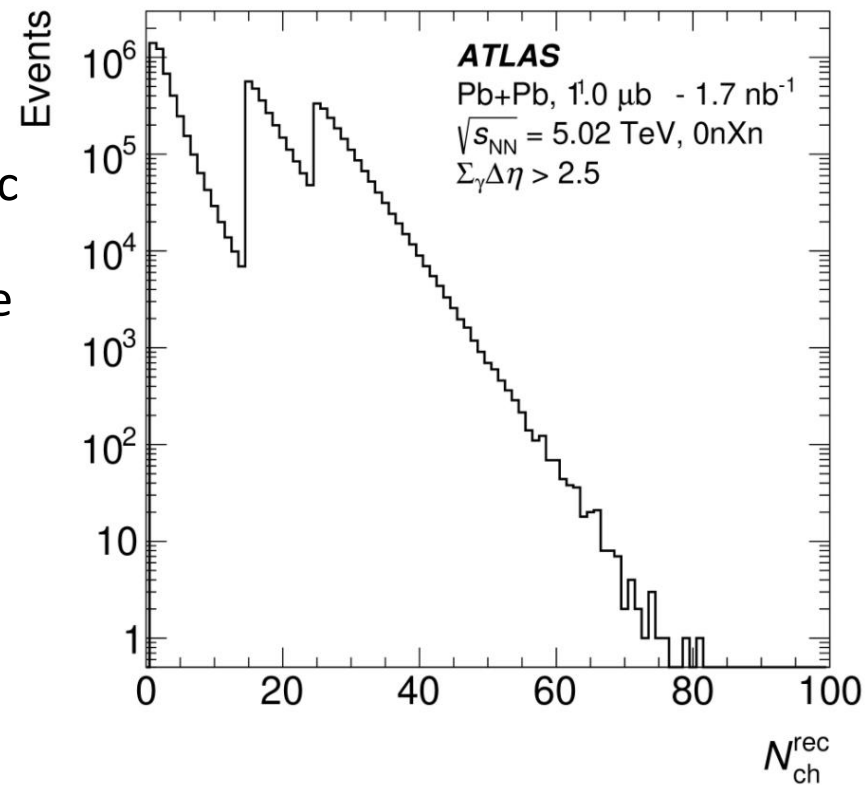
$$v_n(p_{\text{T}}^a) = v_{n,n}(p_{\text{T}}^a, p_{\text{T}}^b) / v_n(p_{\text{T}}^b) = v_{n,n}(p_{\text{T}}^a, p_{\text{T}}^b) / \sqrt{v_{n,n}(p_{\text{T}}^b, p_{\text{T}}^b)}$$

$v_2(N_{\text{ch}})$ shows insensitivity to associated particle p_{T} range. This is consistent with a hydrodynamic paradigm where particle anisotropies are generated from a single-particle flow vector for all p_{T} .

Triggering on photonuclear events

Triggering included

- Level-1 requirements on
 - Minimum event activity to collect high-multiplicity γ A events
 - Maximum event activity to reject hadronic Pb+Pb collisions
 - Single-sided nuclear breakup (zero-degree calorimeter).
- High-level trigger requirements on
 - Minimum number of tracks to collect high-multiplicity events
 - Maximum energy in photon-going FCAL ($3.2 < \eta < 4.9$)

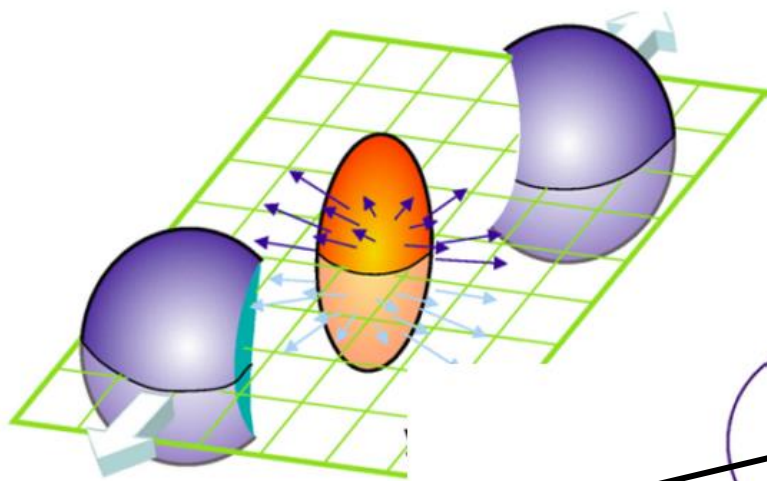


Due to trigger strategy, the high-statistics portion of the N_{ch} range is for $N_{ch} > 15$

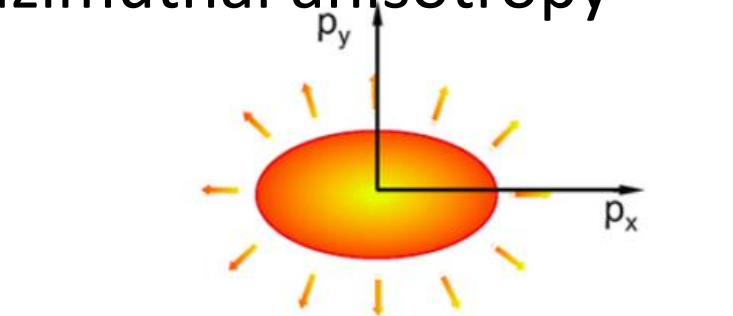
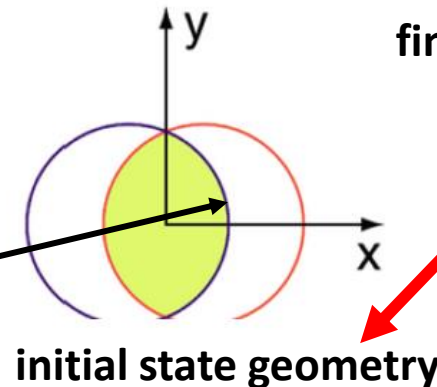
Origin of azimuthal anisotropy

It has been largely established that hydrodynamic properties of the QGP governs many of the emergent phenomenon in HI

Initial geometry \rightarrow Hydro \rightarrow azimuthal anisotropy



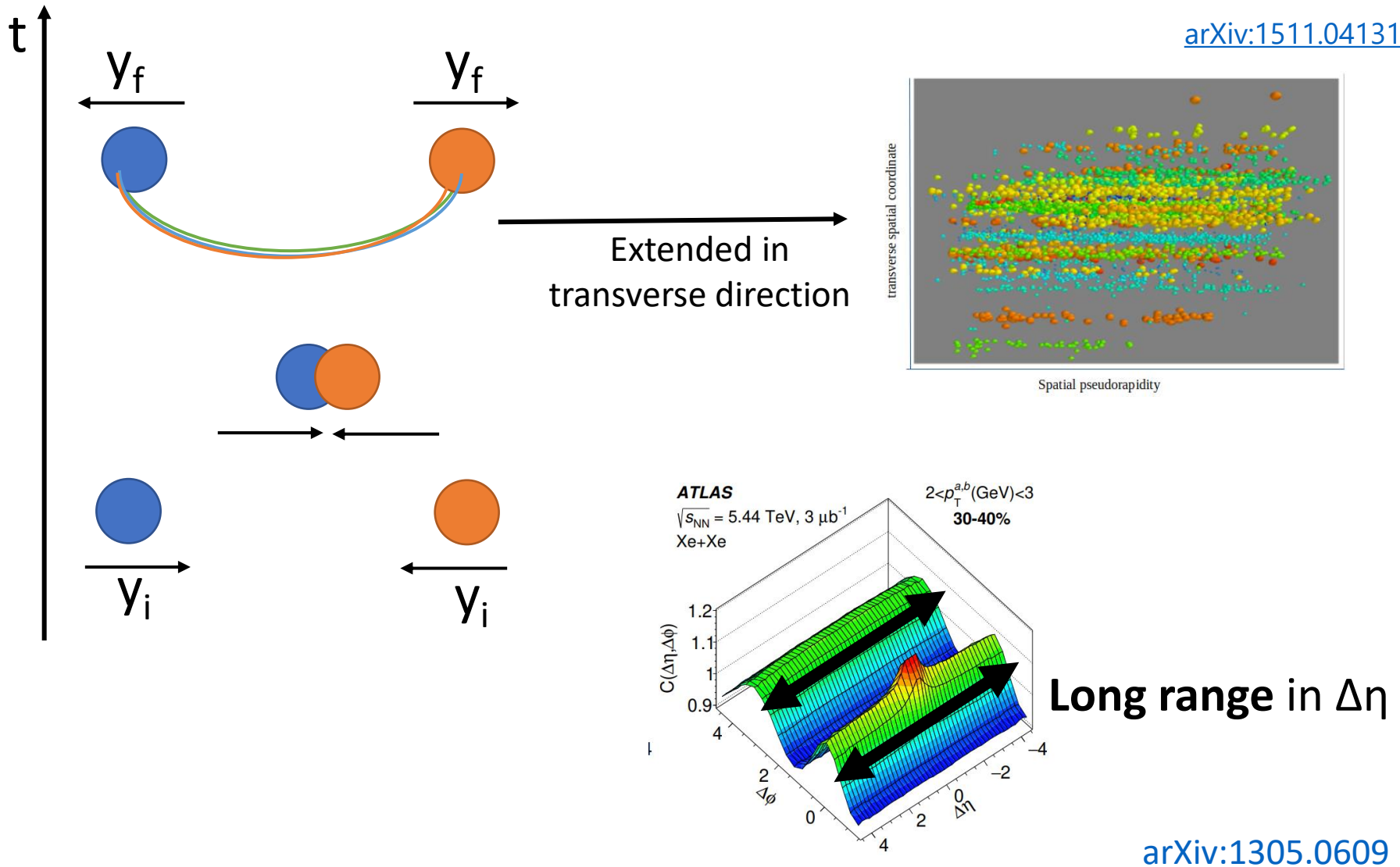
Average HI collision has elliptic initial energy deposition



final-state momentum anisotropies

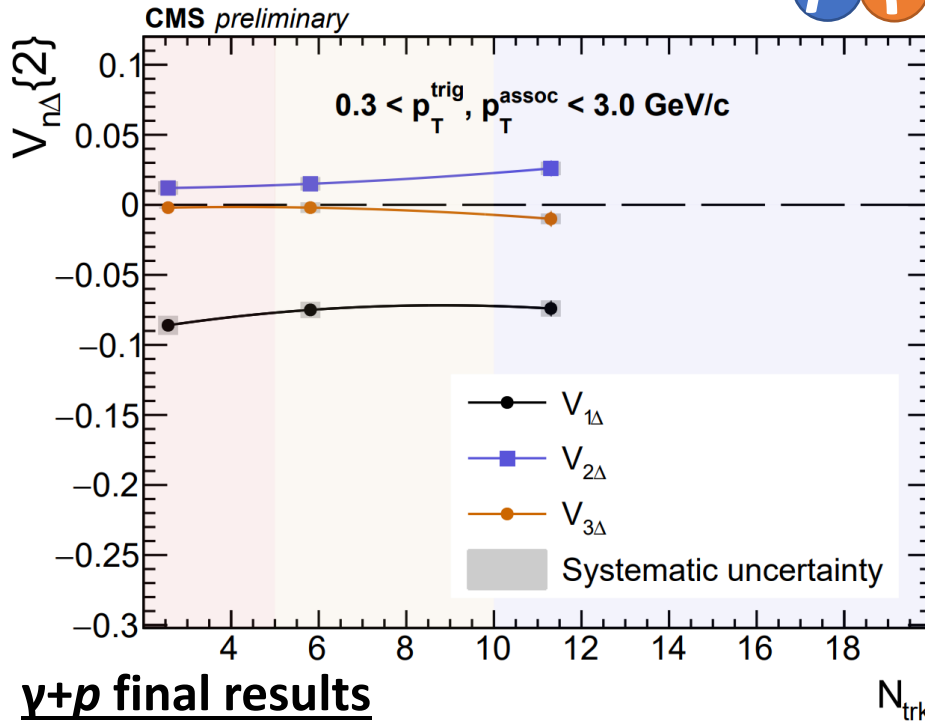
Hydrodynamic expansion

Long-range azimuthal anisotropy



Raw moments of 2PC (no non-flow removal)

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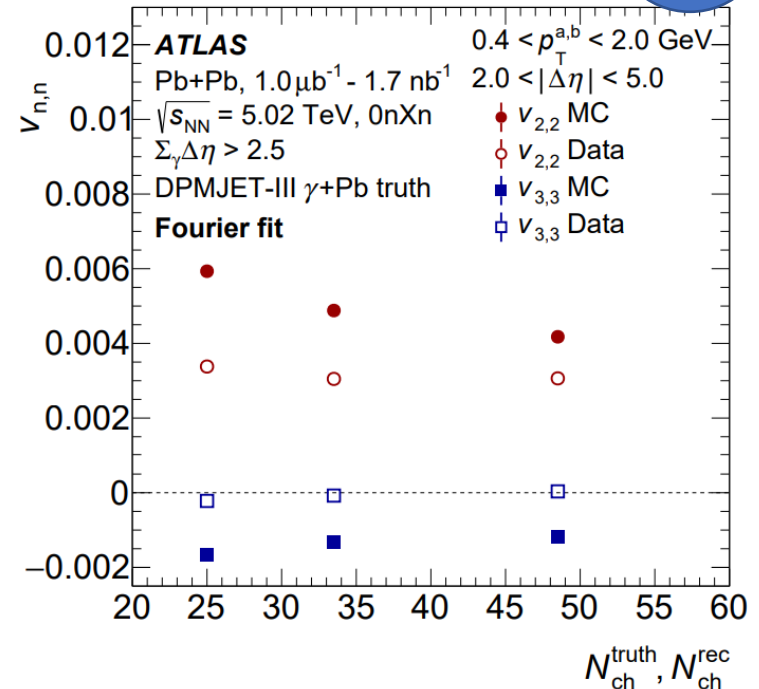


$\gamma+p$ final results

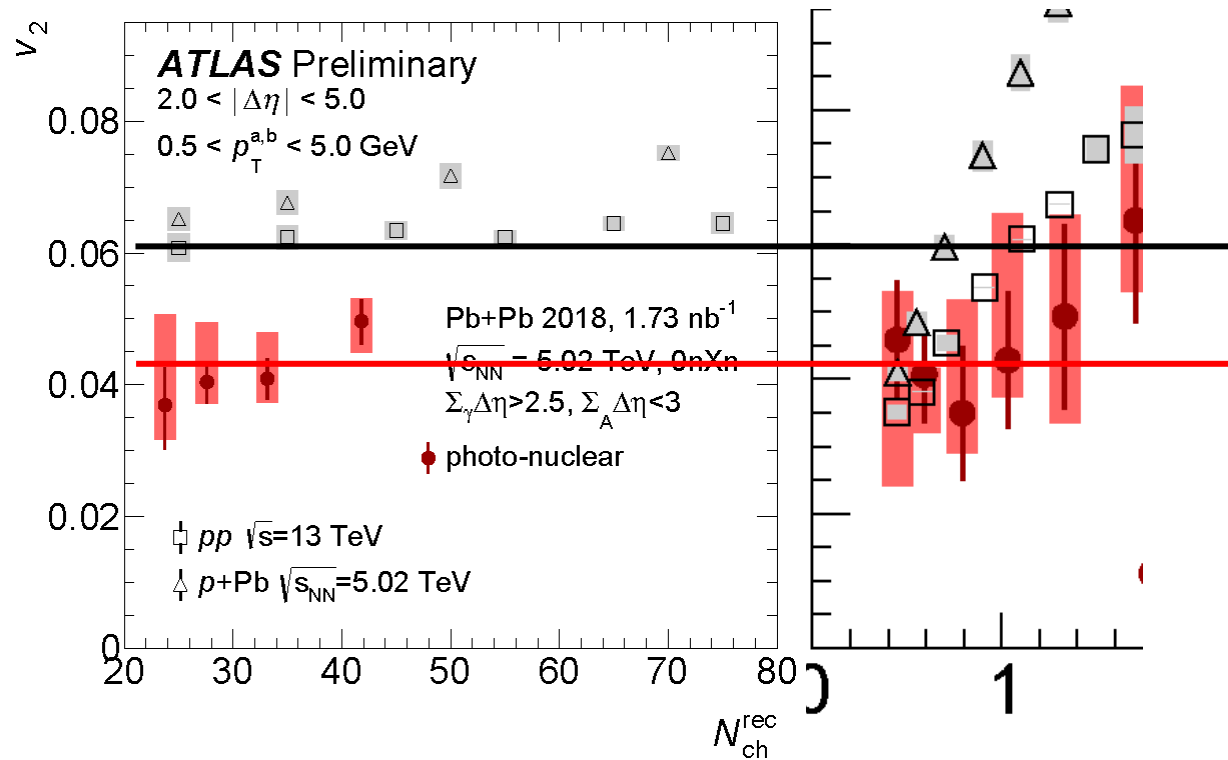
- $v_{2,2}$ grows with N_{ch} – evidence of a dominant and N_{ch} -dependent-hardening jet shape
- Similar conclusion for $v_{3,3}$
- Although very different multiplicities, $\gamma+p$ has a much stronger correlation than $\gamma+A$.

No trivial way of removing non-flow and require further study!

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Consistency of N_{ch} and p_T in γA



Now on same y-axis scale

$dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta$ in γA collisions

