

What can stop the flow?

Azimuthal anisotropies at large mass, high p_T , and in extremely small systems with ATLAS

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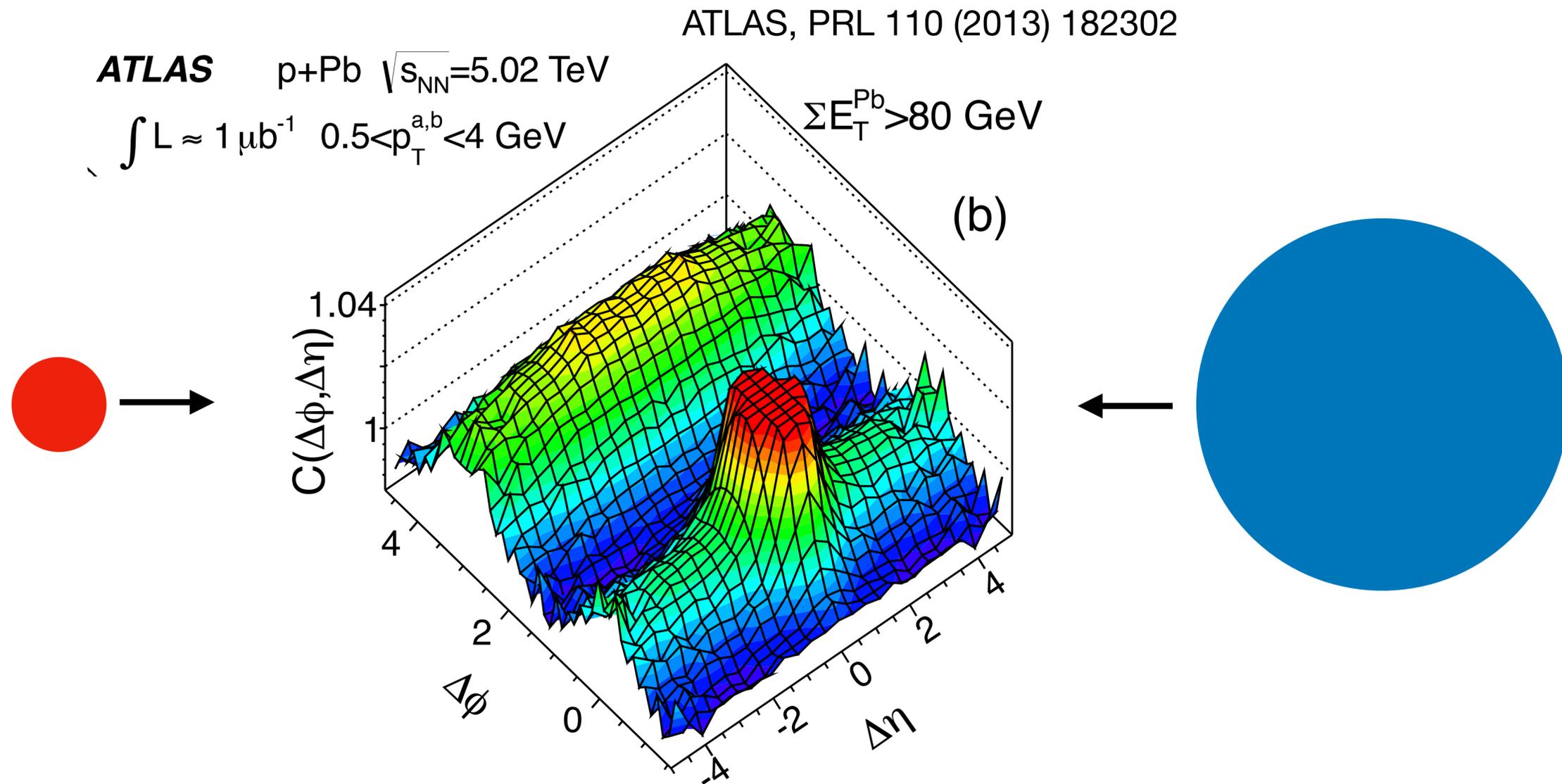




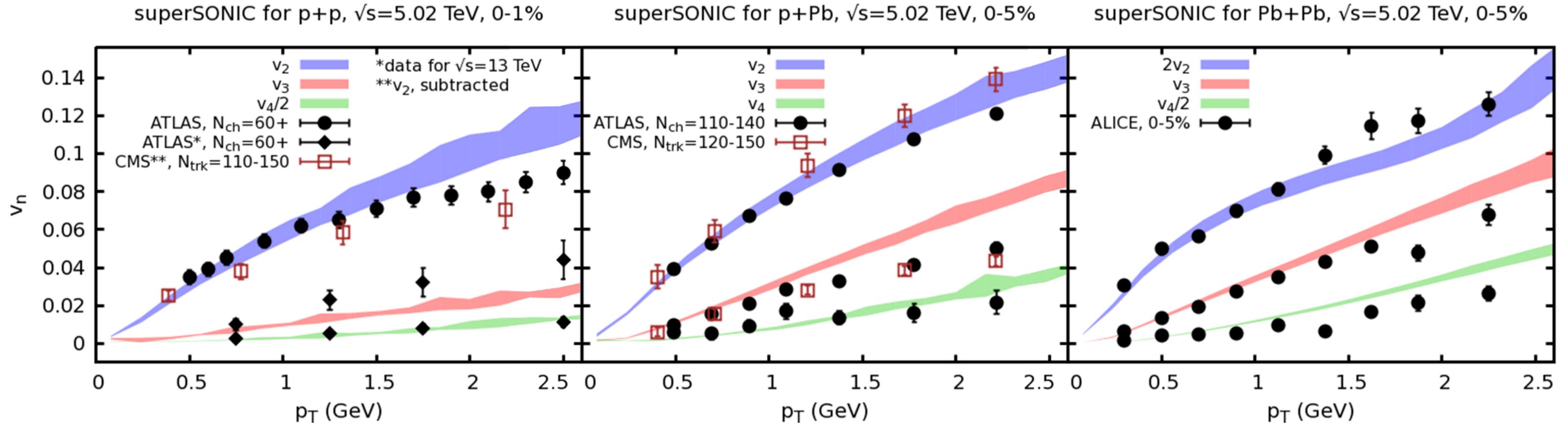
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What is the nature of the QCD system formed in pp or $p+A$ collisions?



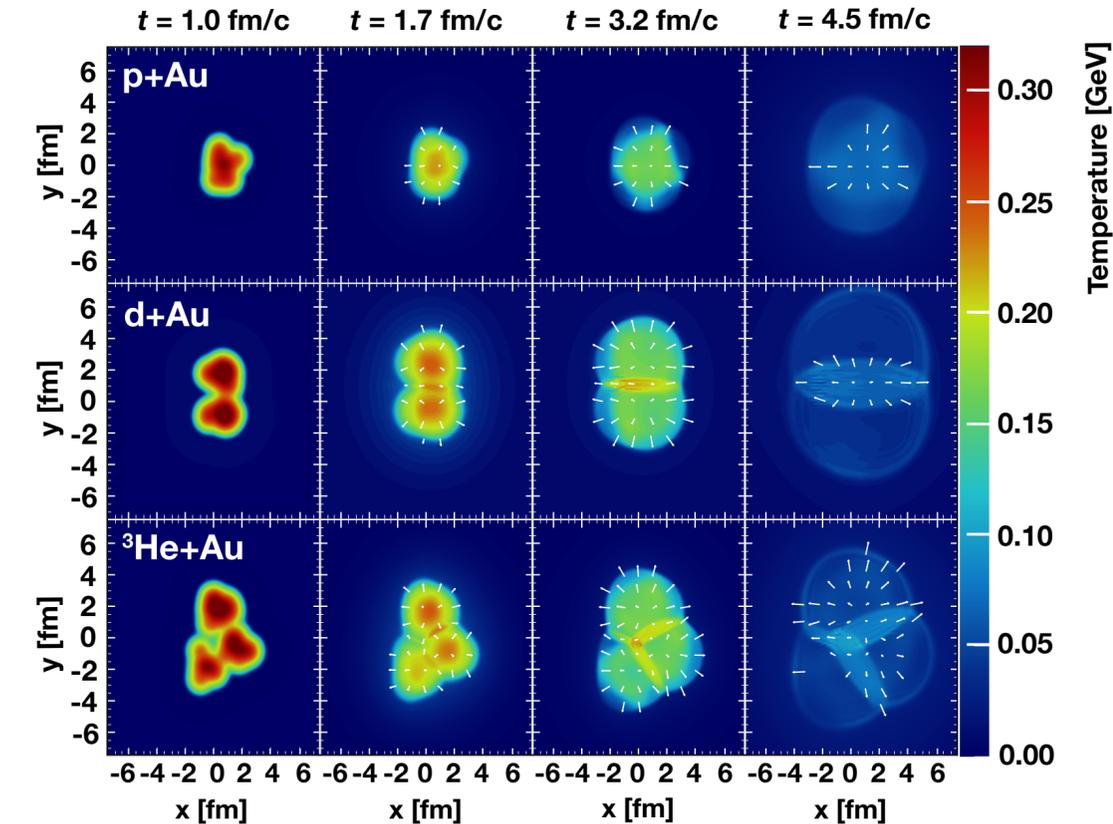
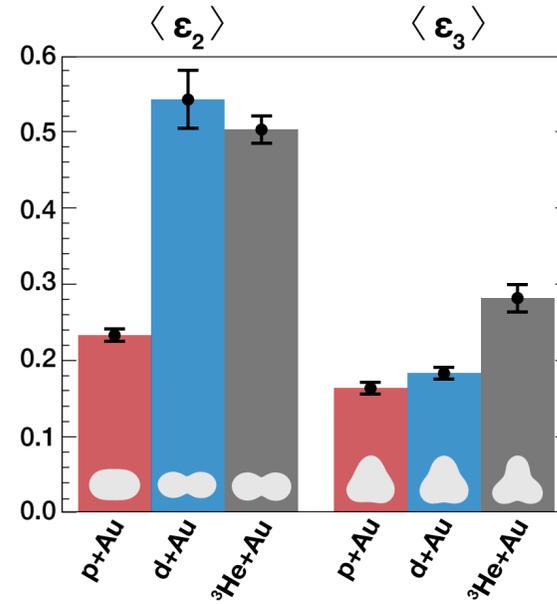
Collective behavior in small systems



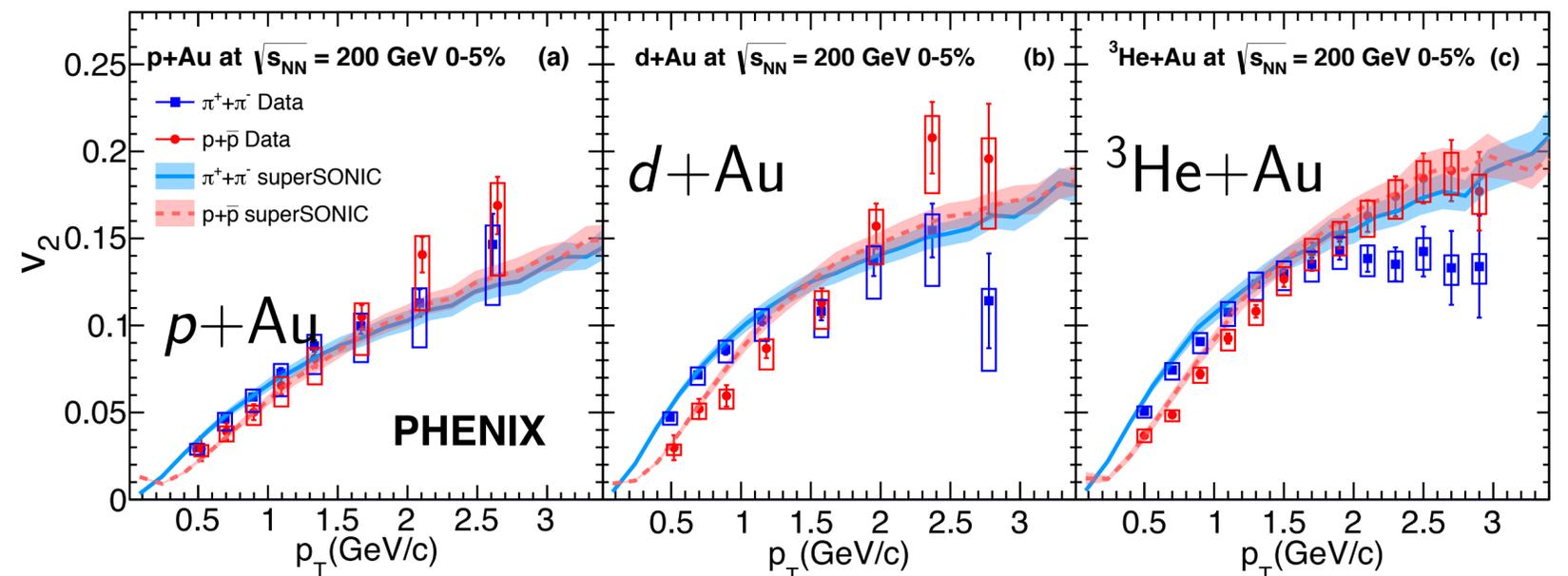
Broadly successful description of v_n in $p+A$ and even high-multiplicity pp systems within AA-like hydrodynamic framework!

Corroborative evidence for hydrodynamic paradigm

- Projectile scan at RHIC - v_2 & v_3 respond to changes in ϵ_2 and ϵ_3 and thus originate from final-state interactions



- Mass-ordering as expected from common fluid velocity



- Other evidence (multi-particle correlations, etc.)

Goal: push measurements of collectivity in small systems into new regimes

- Many possible signatures of collective behavior - focus here on azimuthal anisotropies
- Delineate the boundaries of where we observe collective effects - can we get azimuthal anisotropies to “turn off” in some regime?
- What do our observations imply about the underlying physics mechanisms?



Kurt Hill
(Ph.D. 2020)

1. Behavior of high- p_T particles in $p+Pb$ collisions

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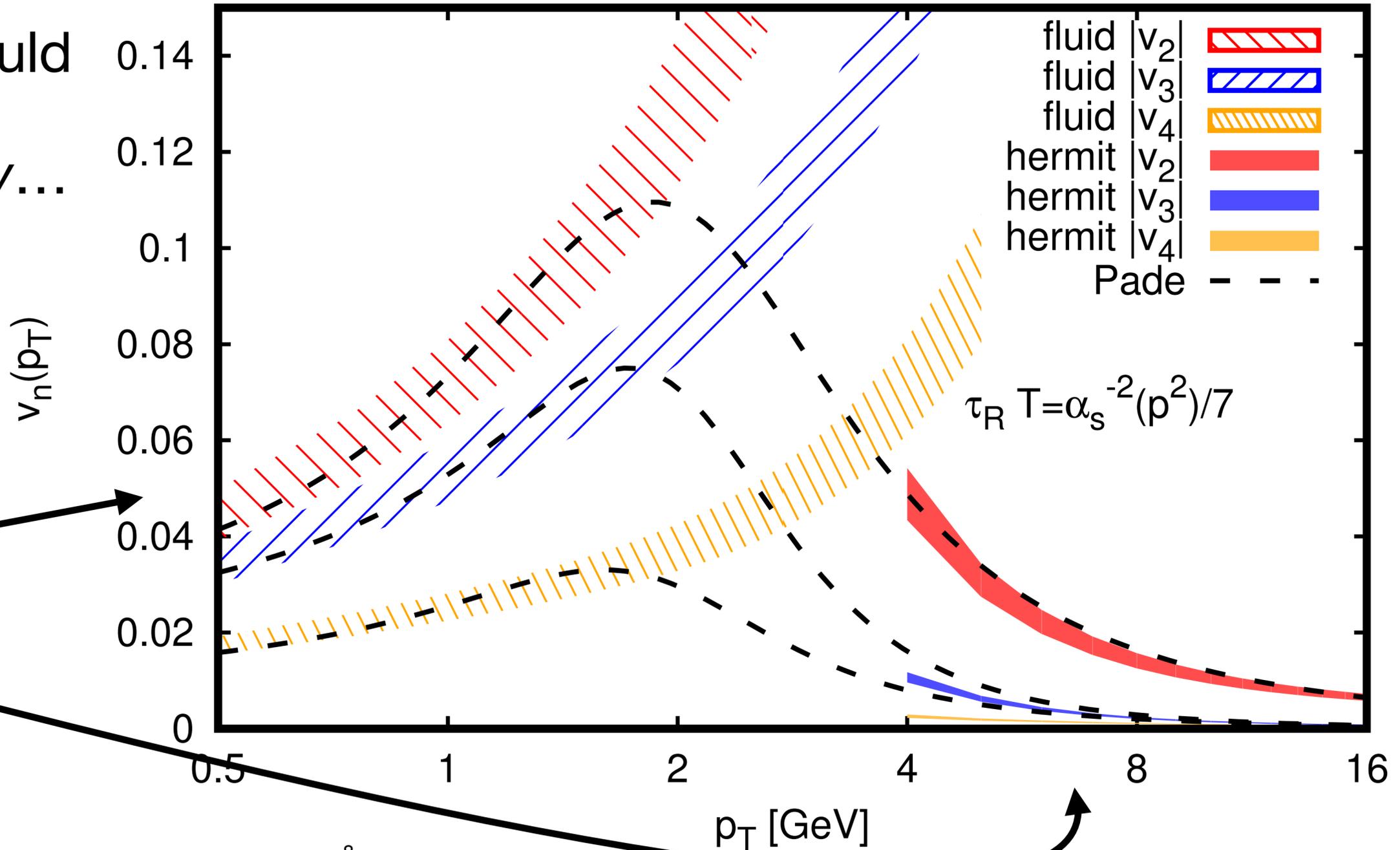
What to expect in the hard sector?

Romatschke, EPJC
78 (2018) 636

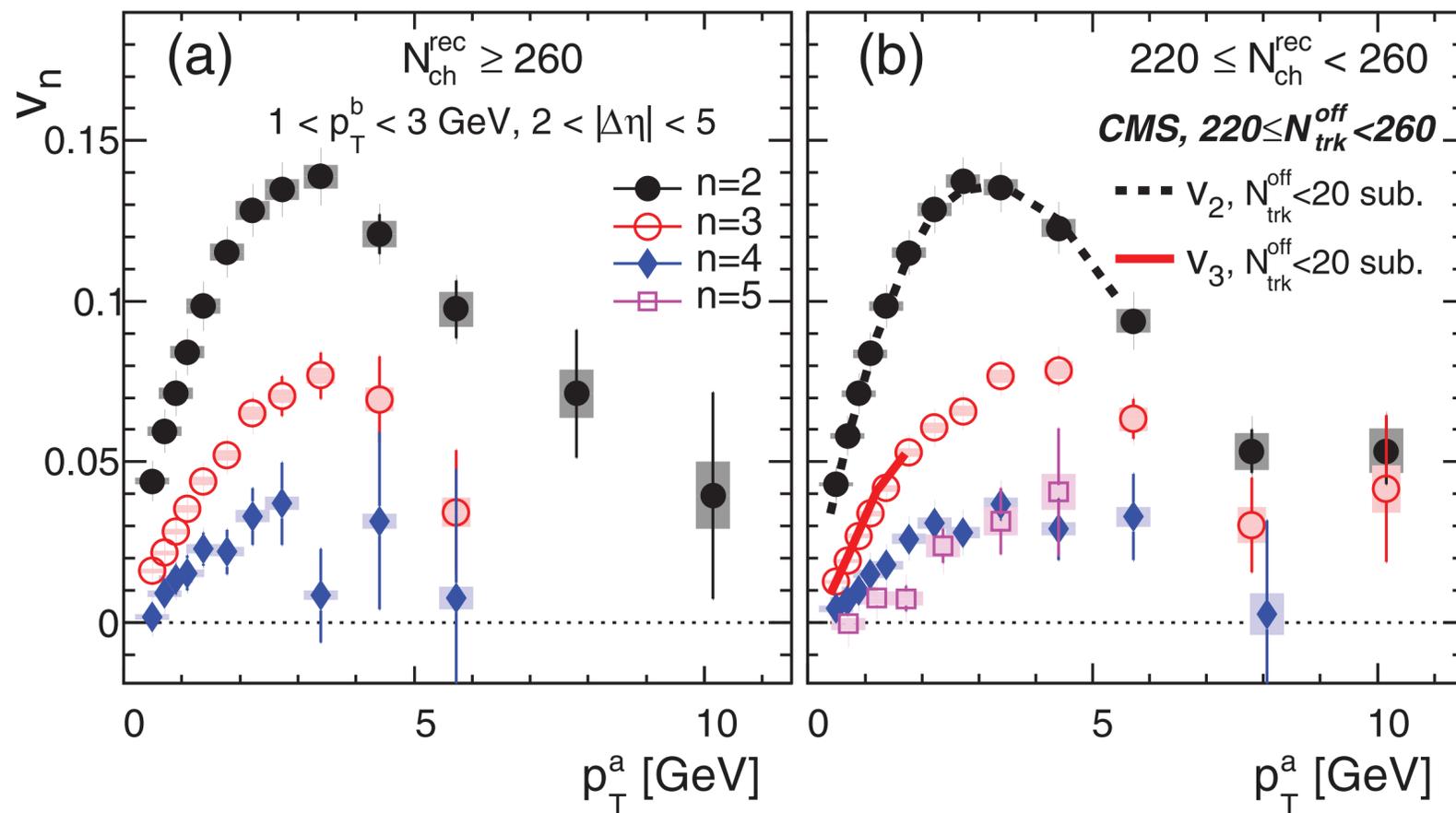
p+Pb $\sqrt{s}=5.02$ TeV, 0-5%, massless partons (Th)

Final-state interactions should result in flow & jet modification *simultaneously*...

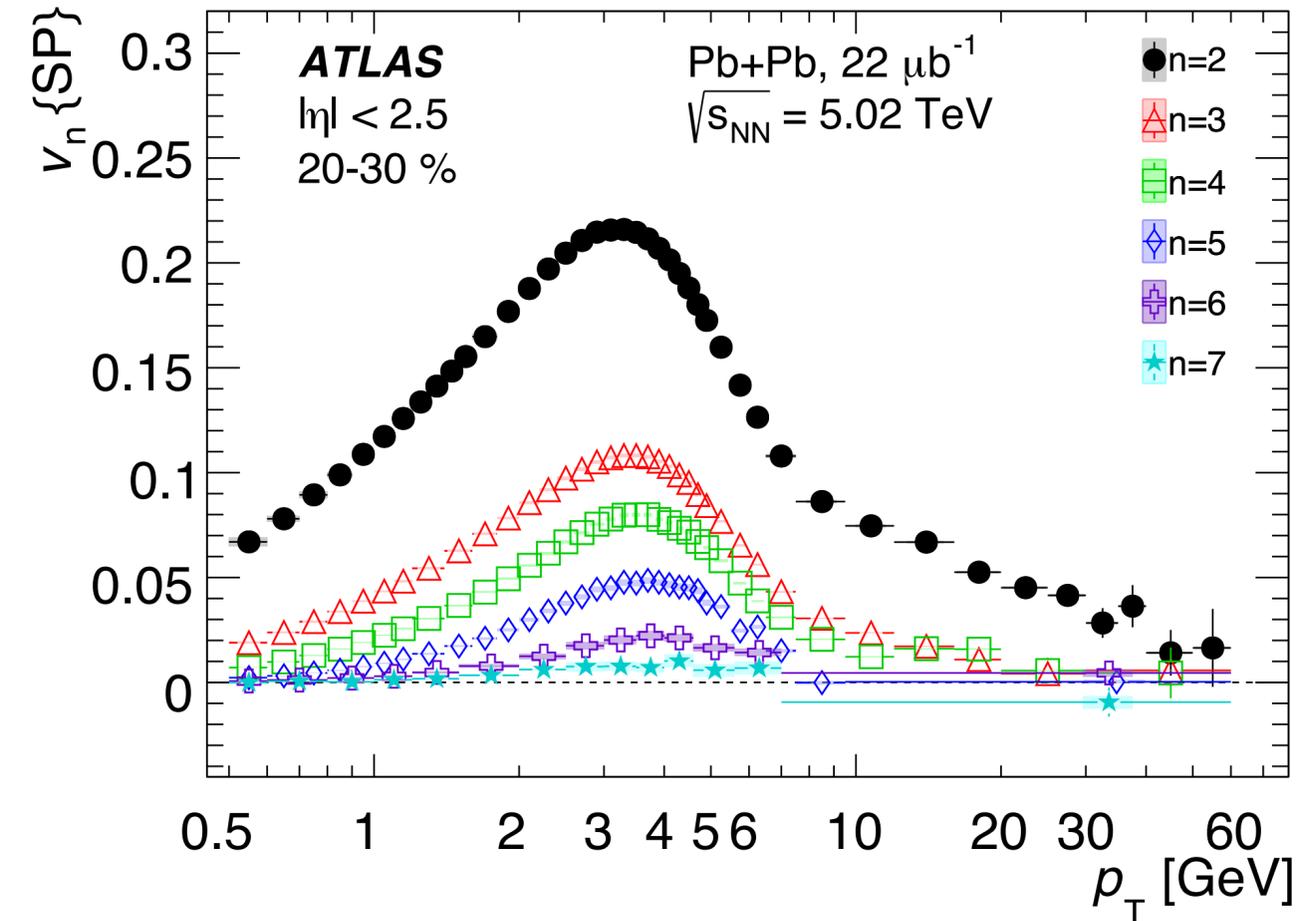
Same QGP fluid in $p+A$, but calculate v_n under many-scatterings and few-scatterings expansions



High- p_T v_2 in early LHC p +Pb data



In 2013 p +Pb data, large v_2
@ $p_T \sim 10$ GeV in 0-1% p +Pb...



In AA systems, high- p_T ($> 5-10$ GeV) v_2
understood as energy loss (diff. energy
loss in vs. out of plane)

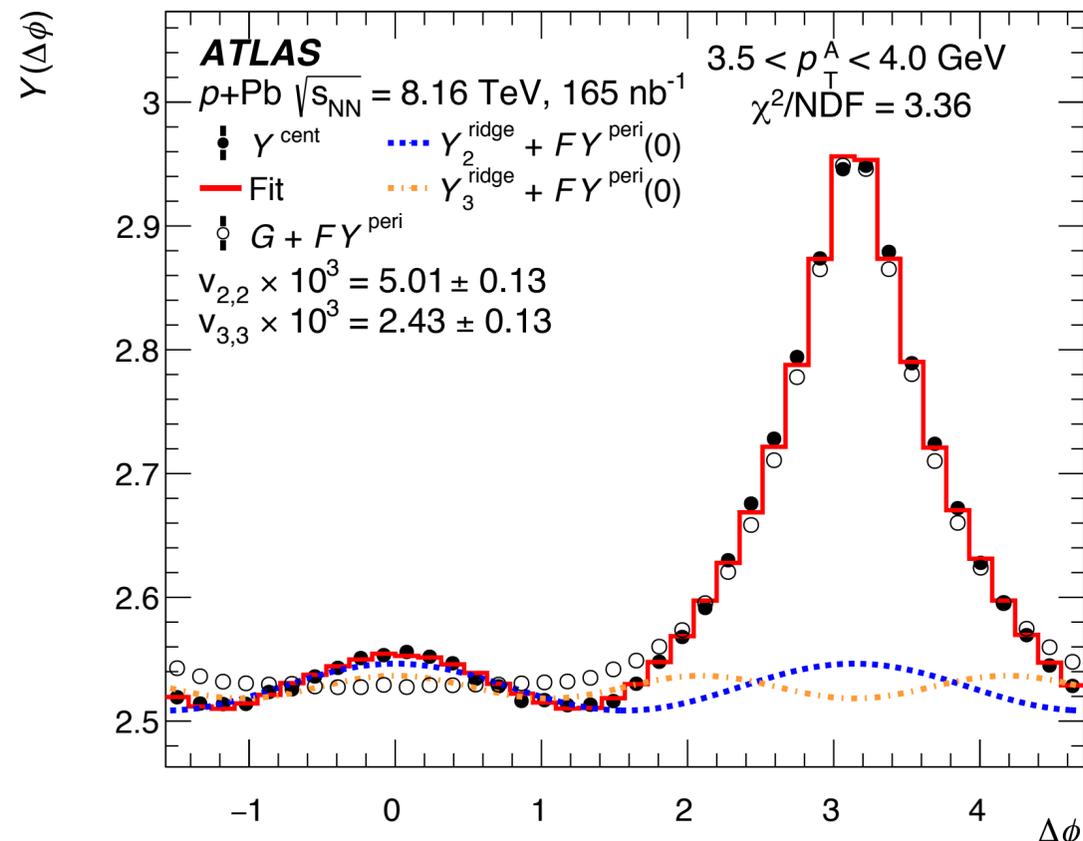
Using 2016 p +Pb data, push much farther in centrality and p_T !

Two-particle correlations for high- p_T particles

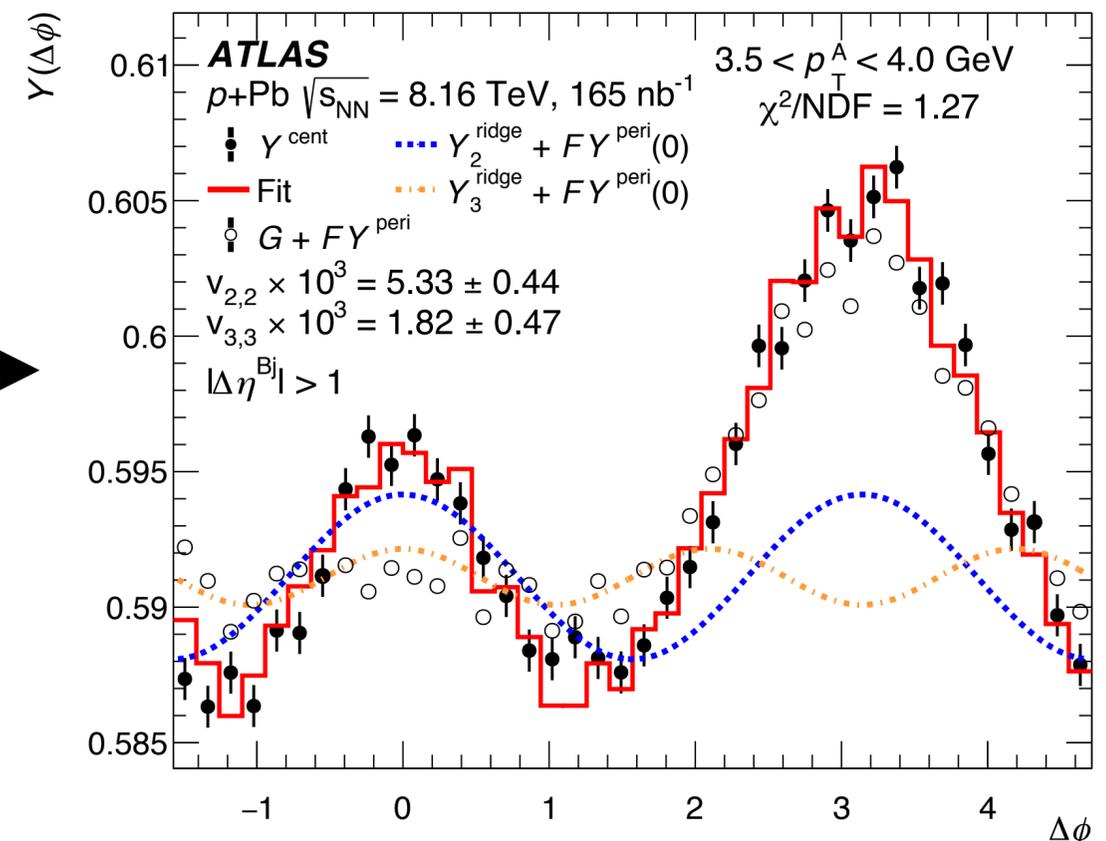
Two-particle $\Delta\phi$ correlation analysis with $|\Delta\eta| > 2$, with “template fit” to subtract low-multiplicity-like non-flow component

Use jet-triggered events for a large high- p_T particle yield (far above what would be obtained in minimum-bias collisions)

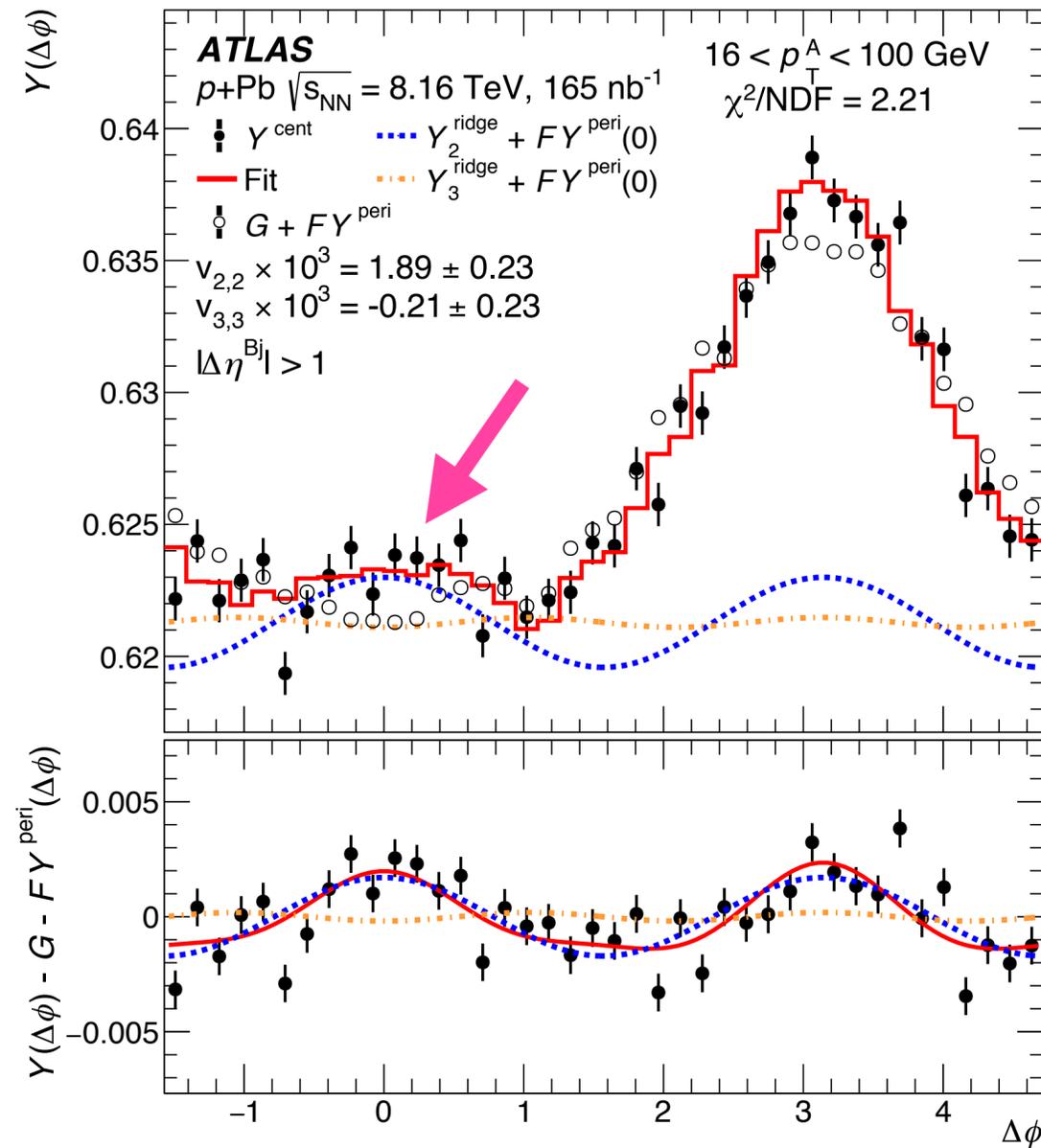
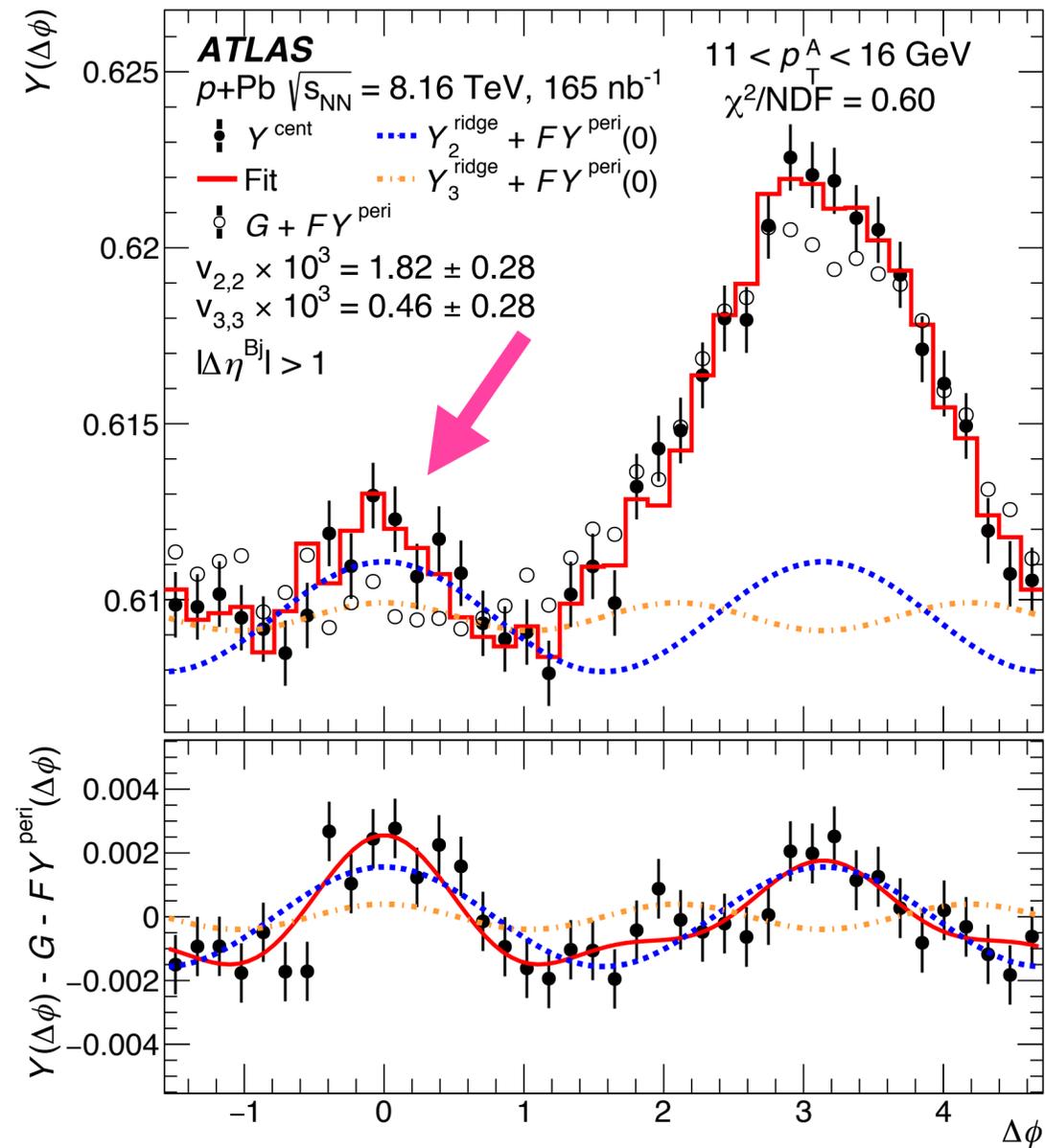
Further reduce non-flow by requiring associated particles to be separated from any jets in the event...



Require
 $|\Delta\eta^{\text{B,jet}}| > 1$



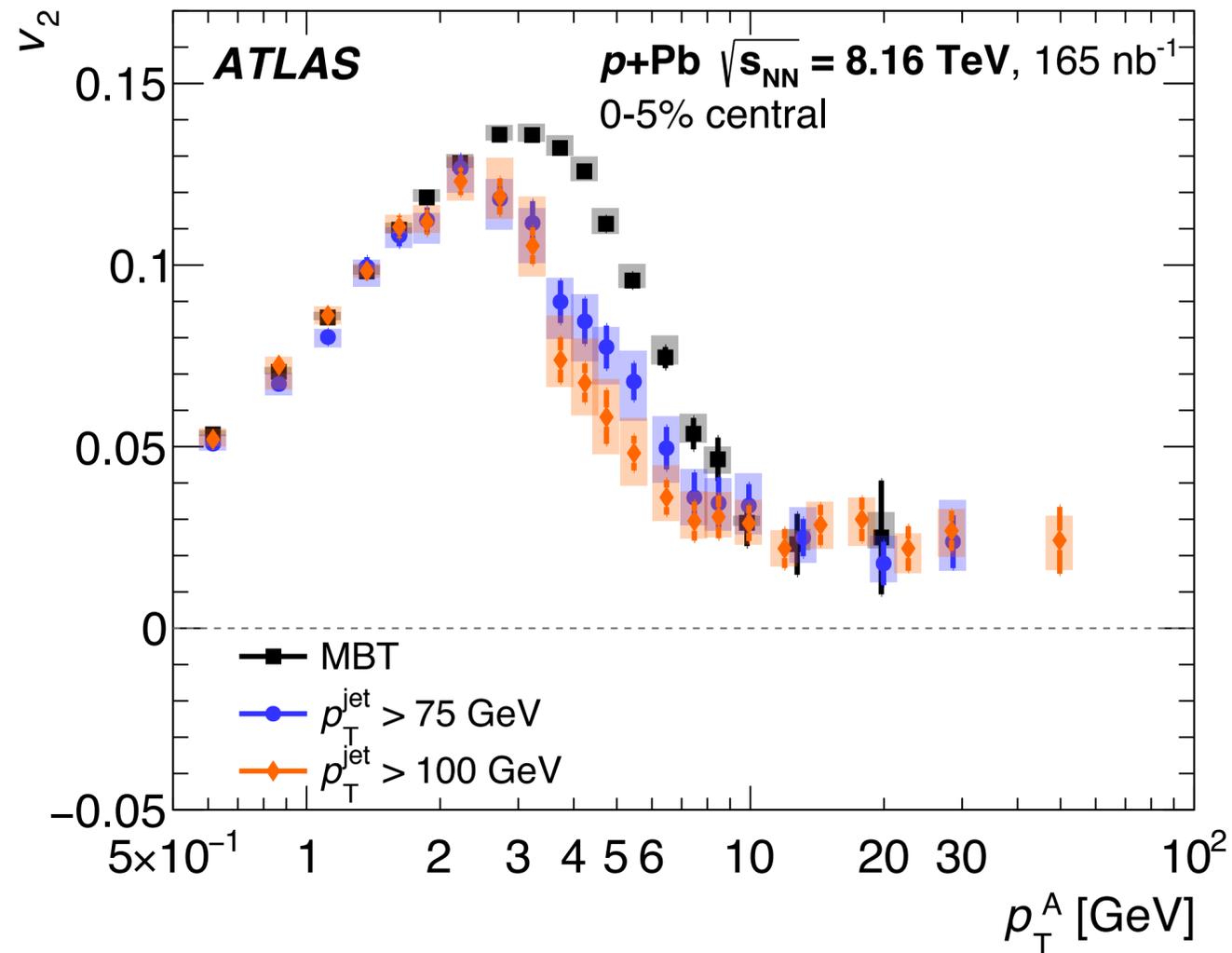
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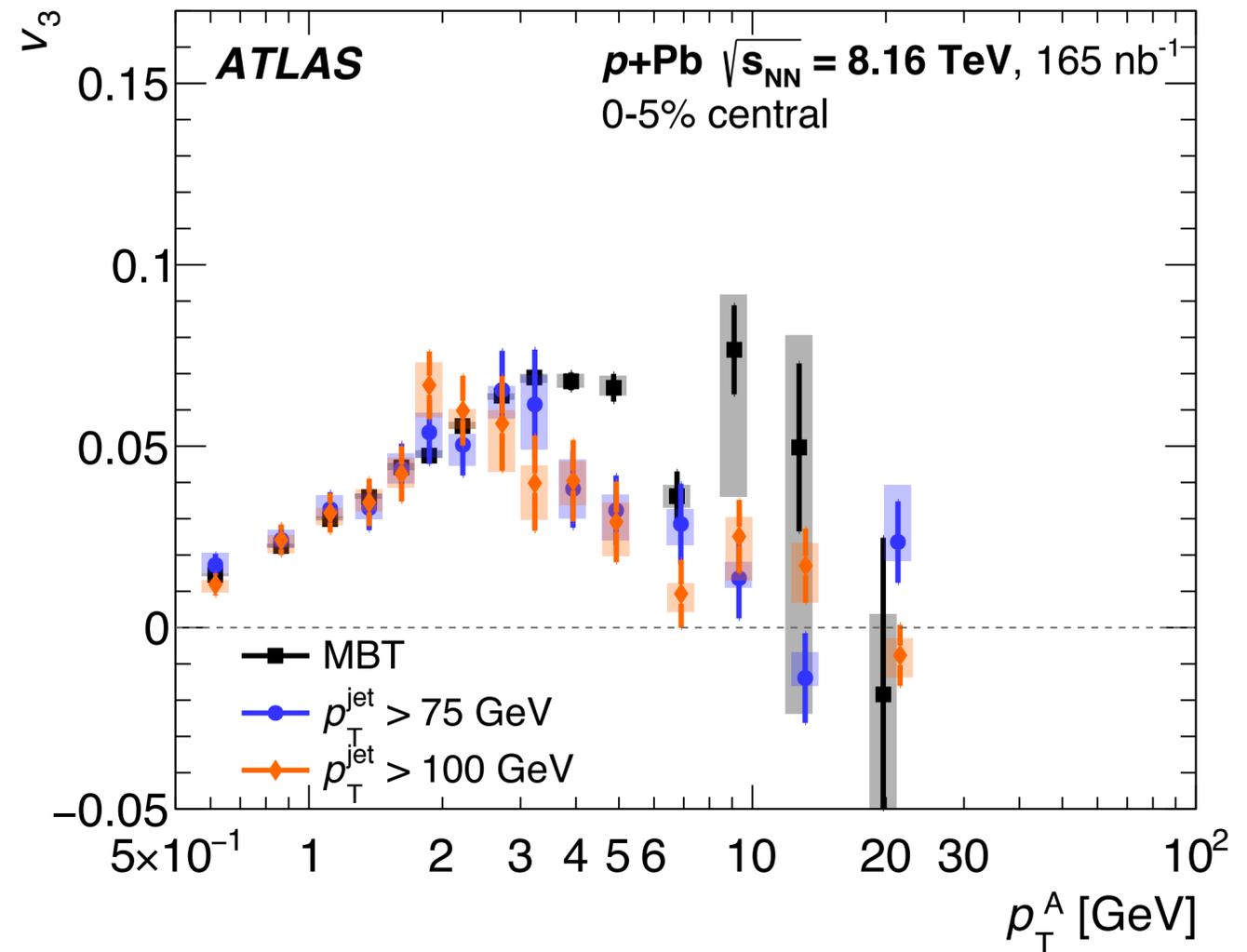
bottom panels show modulation after non-flow subtraction

Two high- p_T selections shown here - visible near-side enhancement!

v_2 and v_3 results



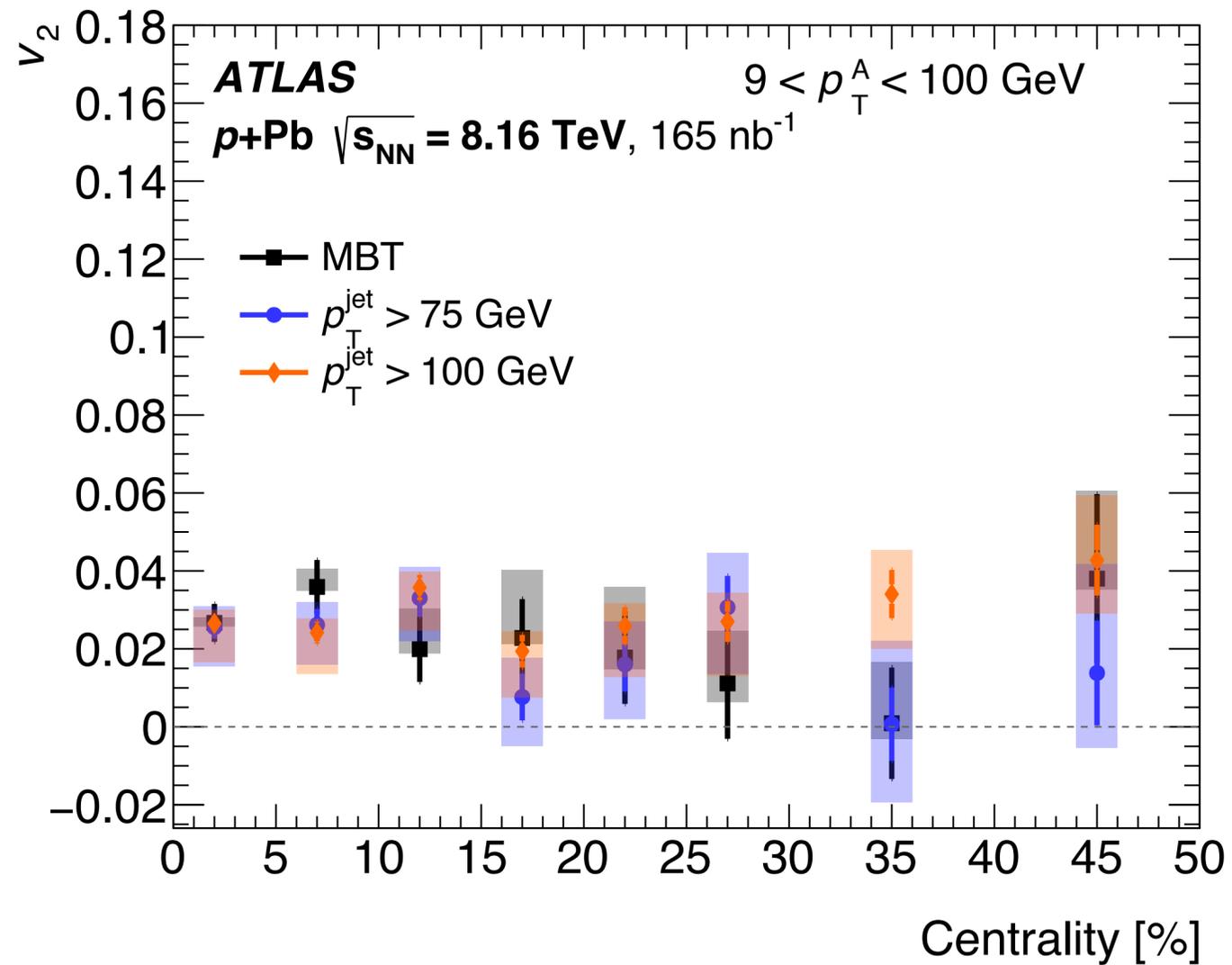
In $>100 \text{ GeV}$ jet events, $v_2 \sim 2\text{-}3\%$
at $p_T^{\text{ch}} = 50 \text{ GeV}$!



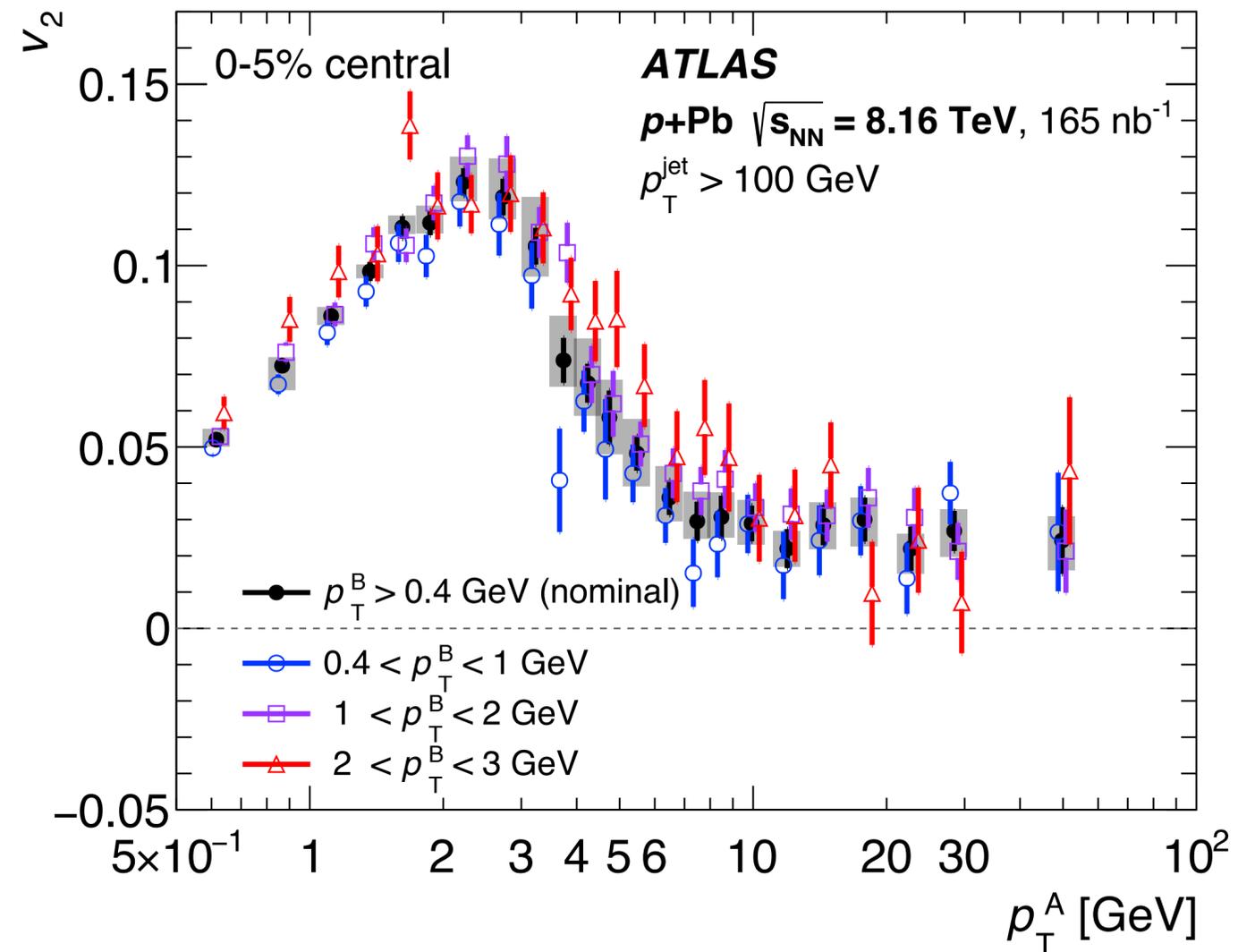
More difficult to measure v_3 , but
it's $\sim 1\text{-}2\%$ for $p_T^{\text{ch}} = 10 \text{ GeV}$

Notice different p_T dependence in **minimum-bias triggered** vs. **jet-triggered events...**

Robustness of signal

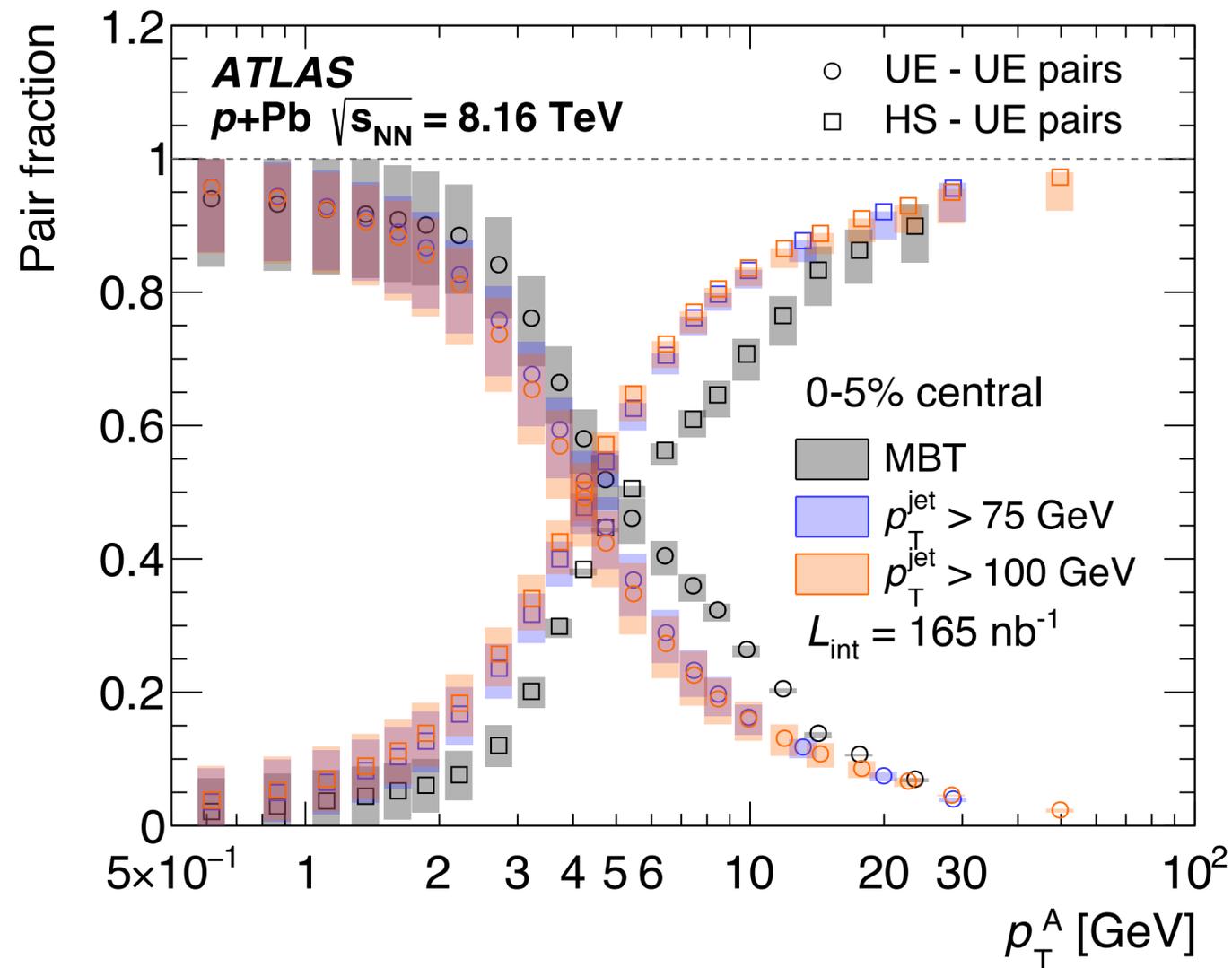


Evidence for non-zero v_2 at high- p_{T} in a significant fraction of $p+\text{Pb}$ events (not just top 1%!)

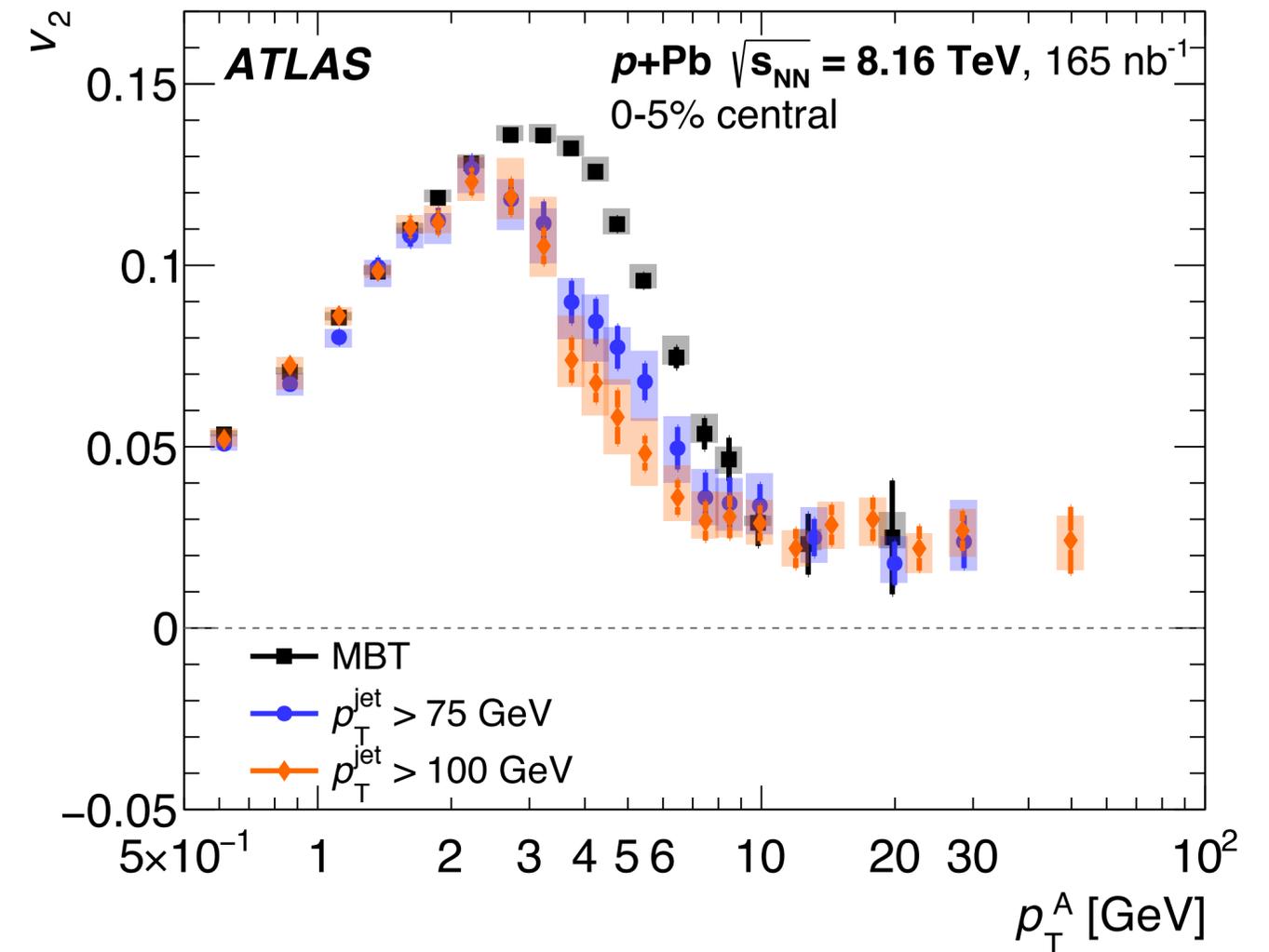


Results pass “factorization test” - interpret as a single-particle v_2

Process-dependence to azimuthal anisotropy?



Decompose particles into ones produced by “soft” processes (azimuthally \sim independent) and “hard” processes (aligned with jets)

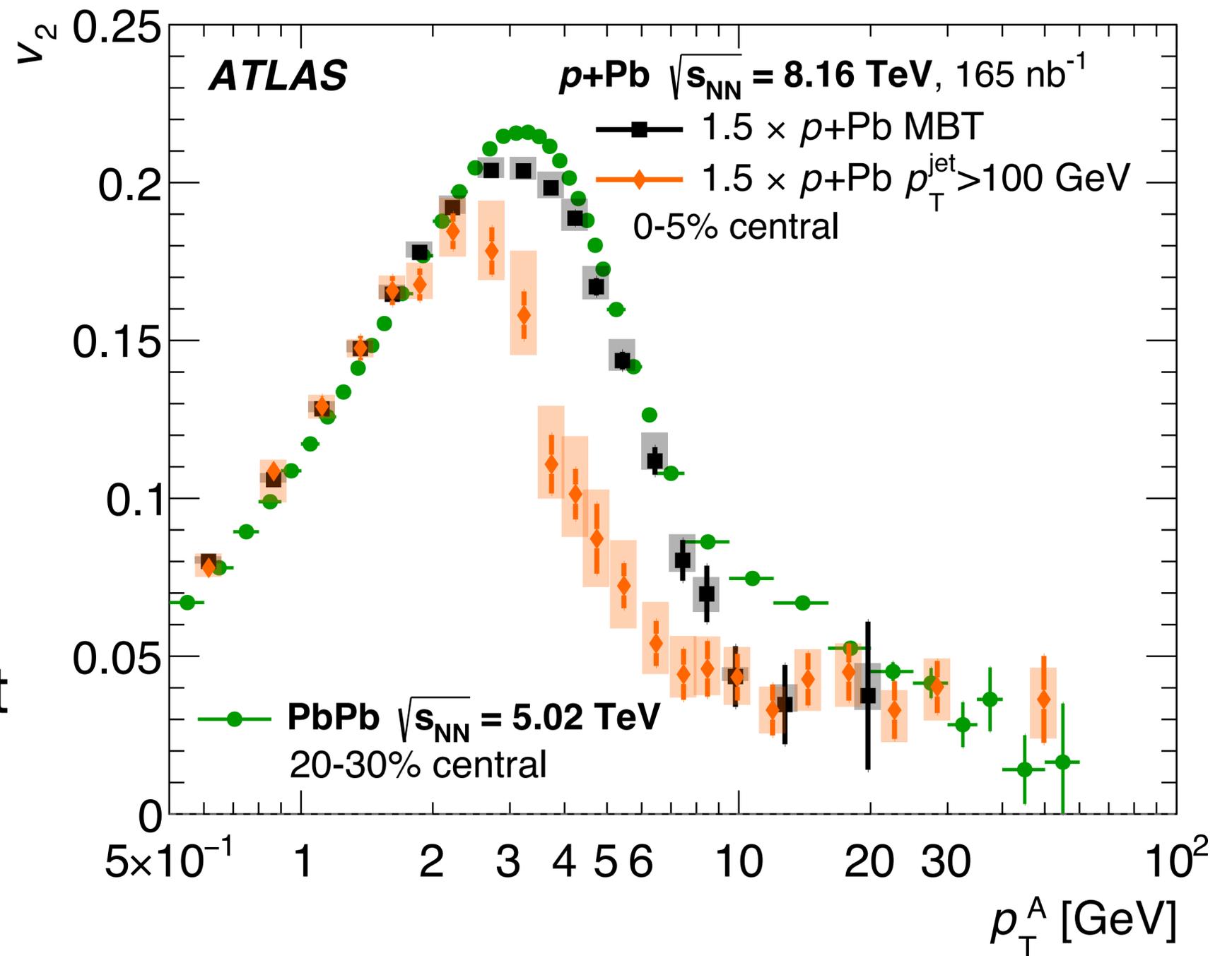


In 3-9 GeV region, particles in jet events are more likely to come from “hard” processes (compared to 3-9 GeV particles in MB events) — lower v_2

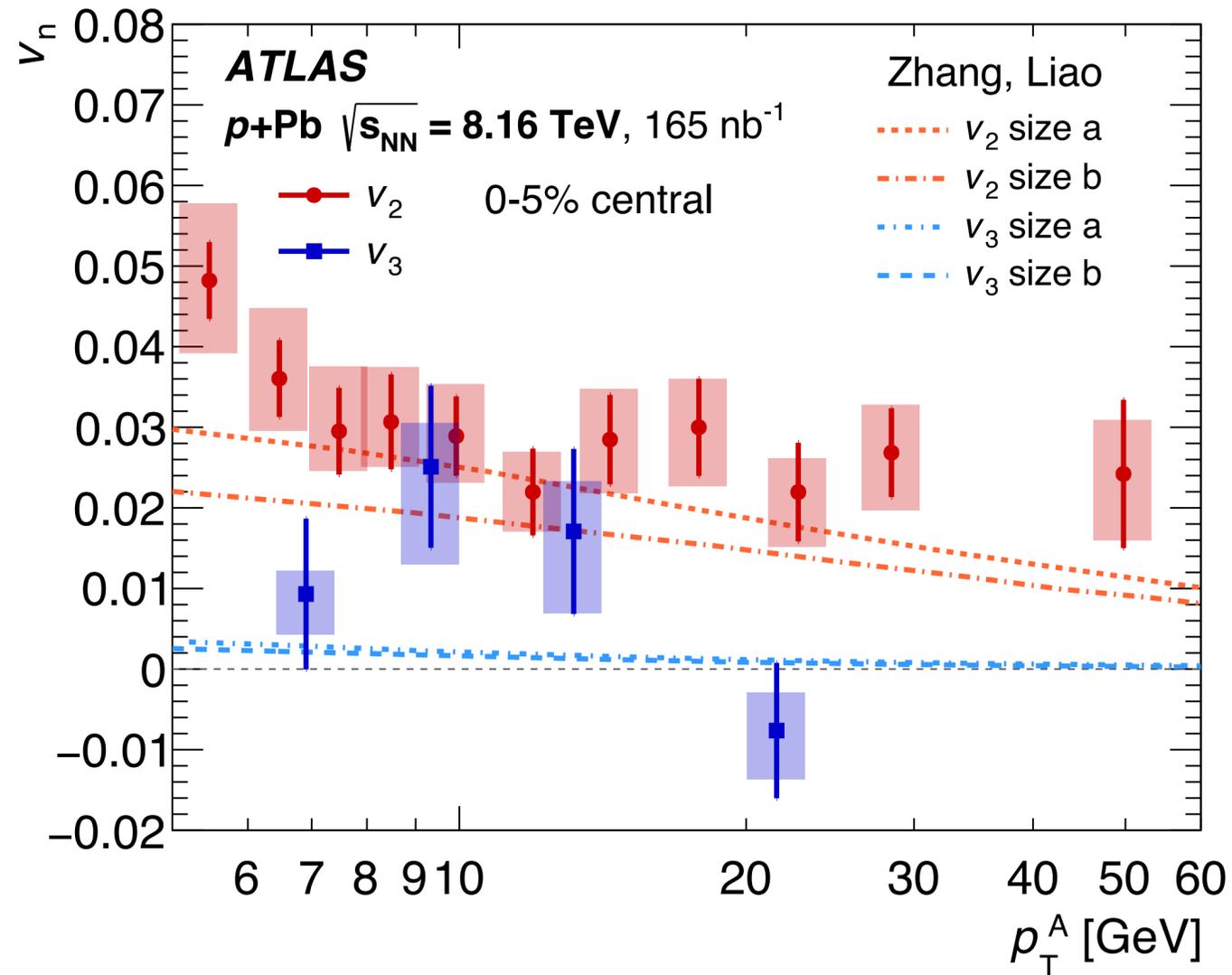
Comparison to Pb+Pb

Compare v_2 in **MB** and **jet-triggered** p +Pb events to that in **Pb+Pb** events w/ same ε_2 (with ad-hoc scaling factor)

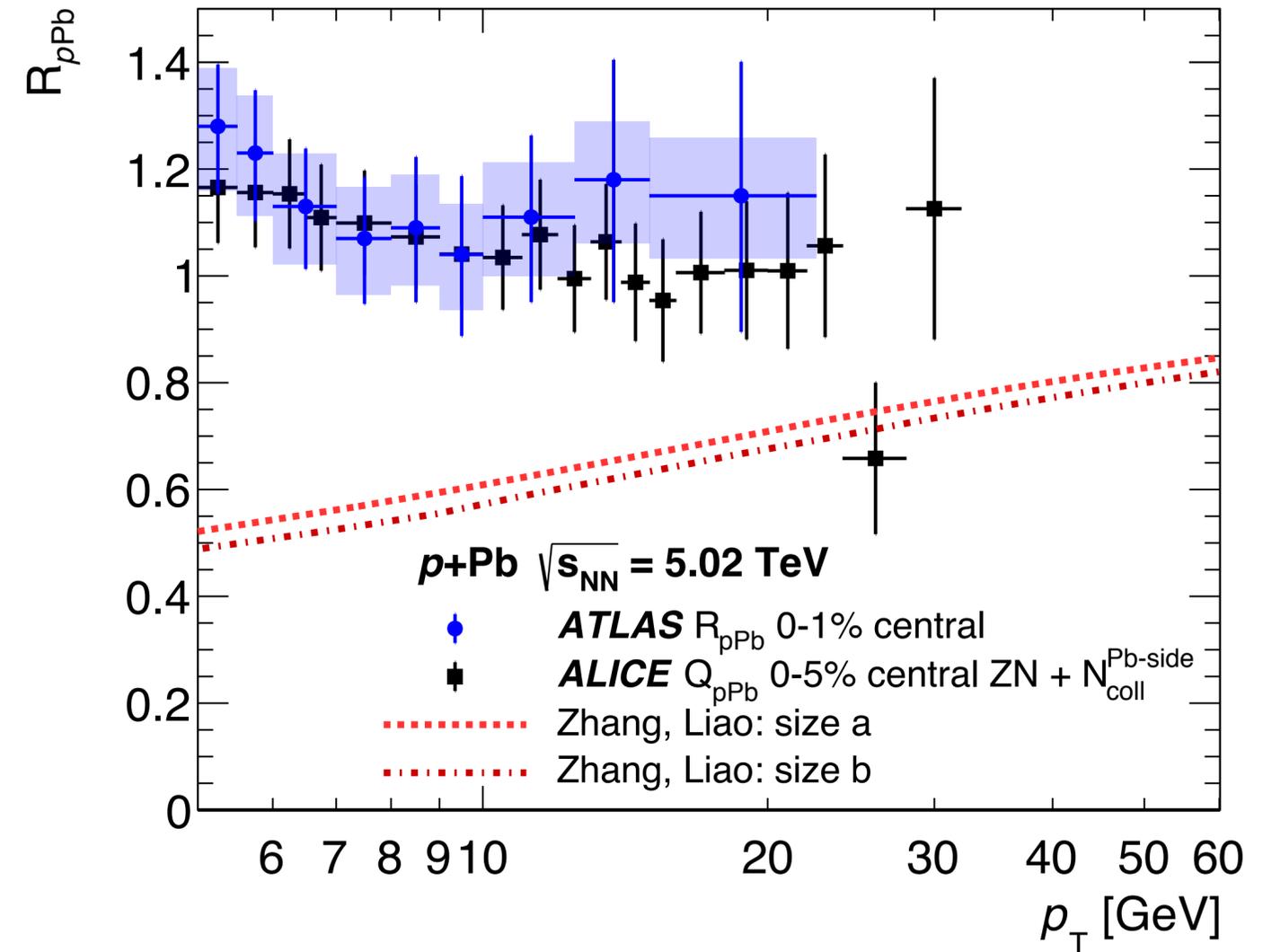
Remarkably similar p_T -dependence - in Pb+Pb, the high- p_T behavior arises from jet quenching...



Interpretation in energy-loss models

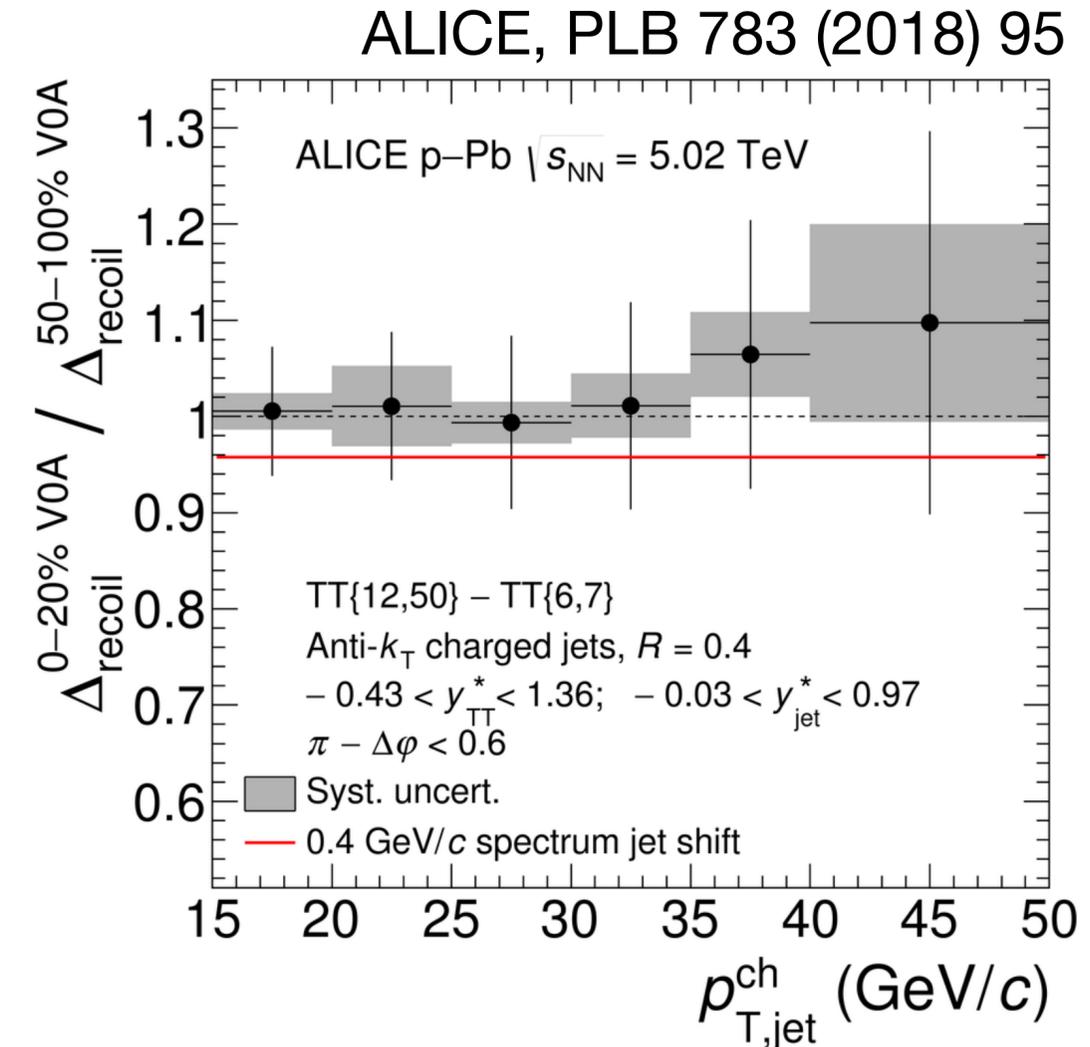
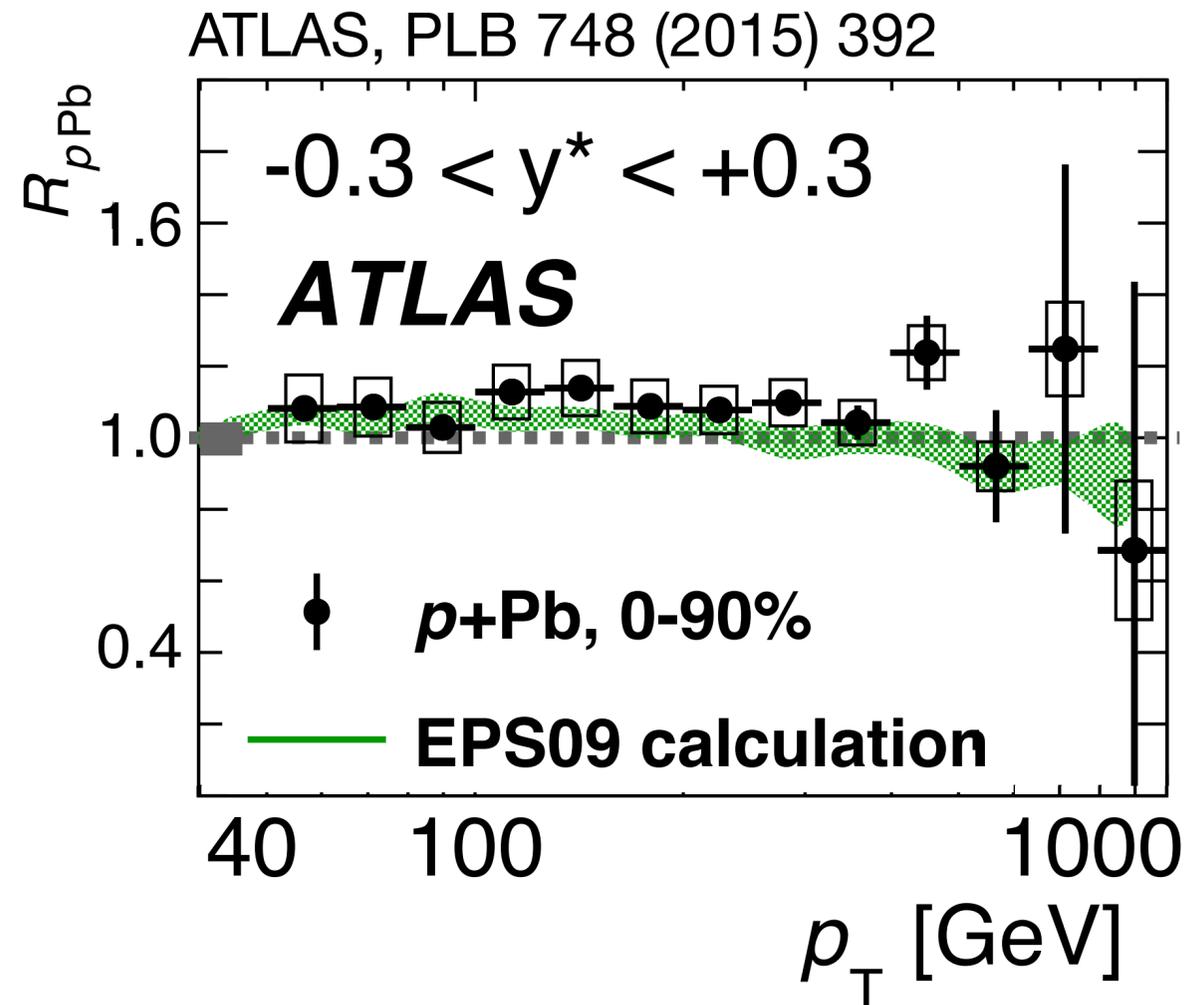


Magnitude of v_2 and v_3 agrees with calculation by Zhang & Liao...



... but measurements of R_{pA} rule out the predicted suppression

What could jet quenching in $p+A$ look like?



Traditional approaches based on centrality-integrated R_{pA} (left) or intra-event correlations (right) have placed limits on “out of cone” energy loss

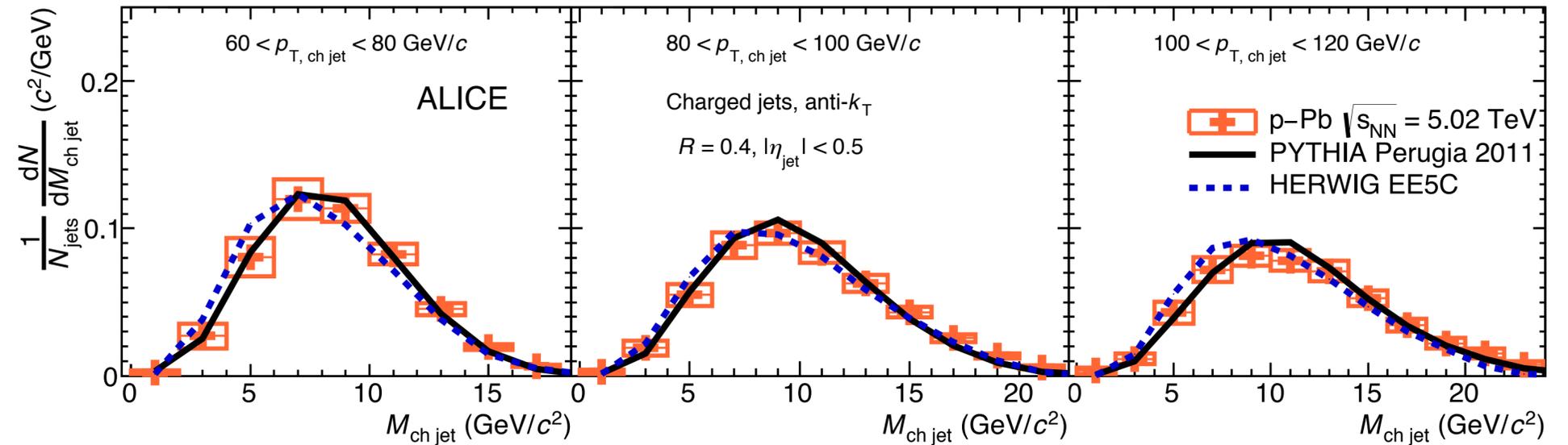
For small E -loss, biggest effect could be in softening of (in cone) fragmentation...

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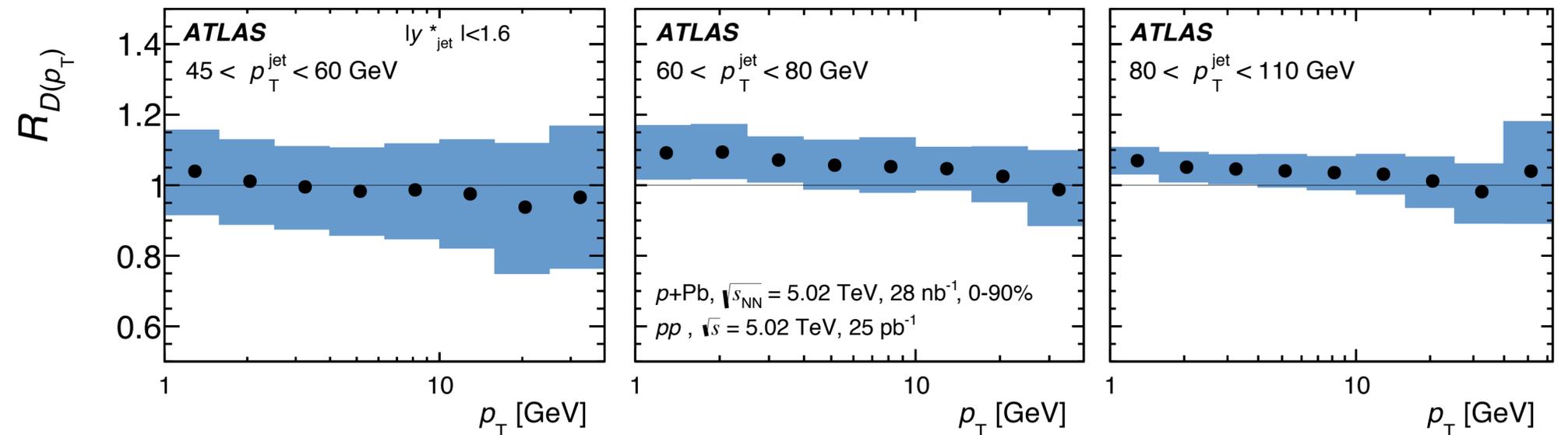
Some limits from centrality-integrated jet mass (top)

and fragmentation functions (bottom)



but need more systematic control and statistics (for central event selection)

ATLAS, NPA 978 (2018) 65



Theory guidance for jet modification in $p+Pb$?



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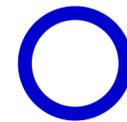
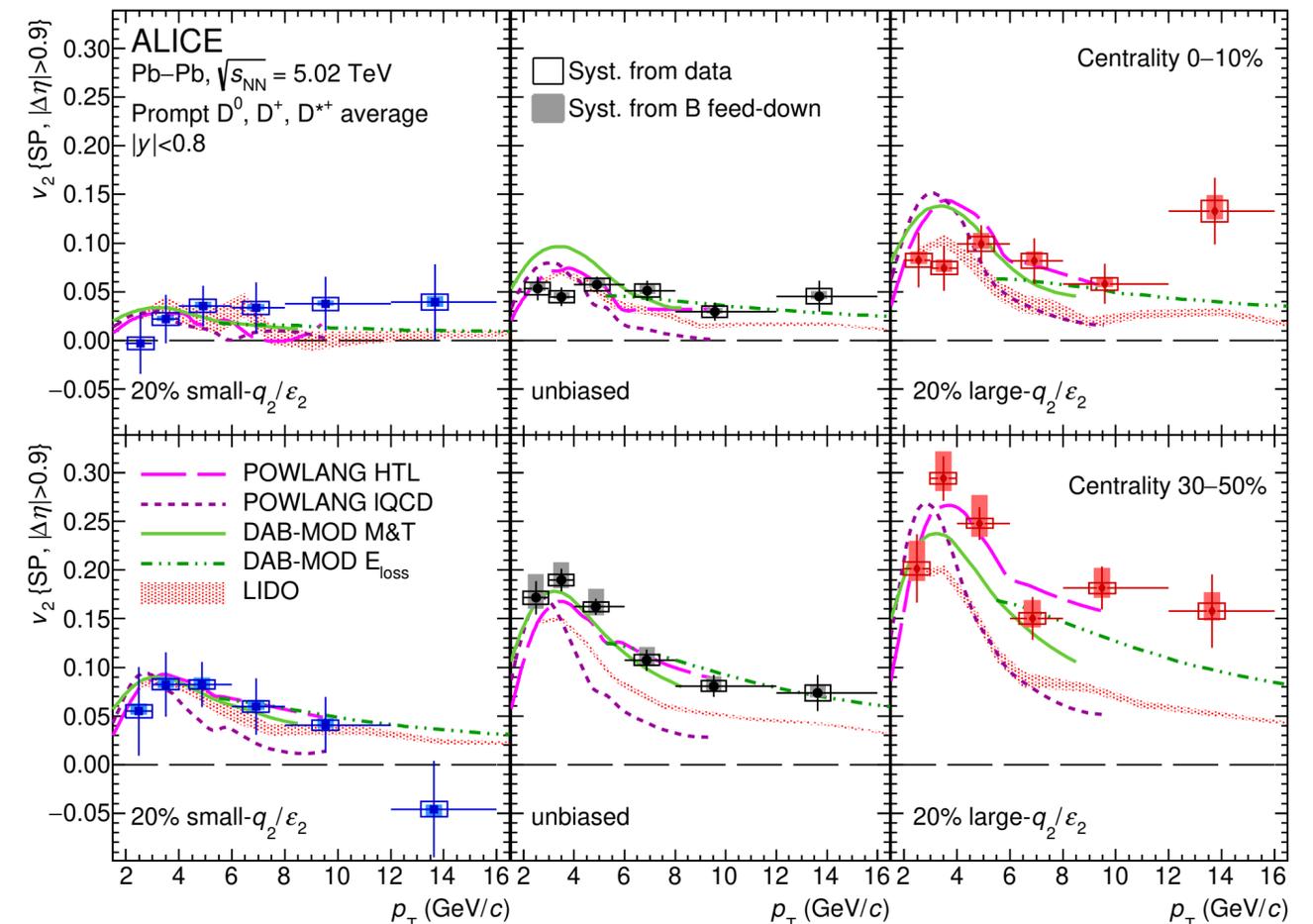
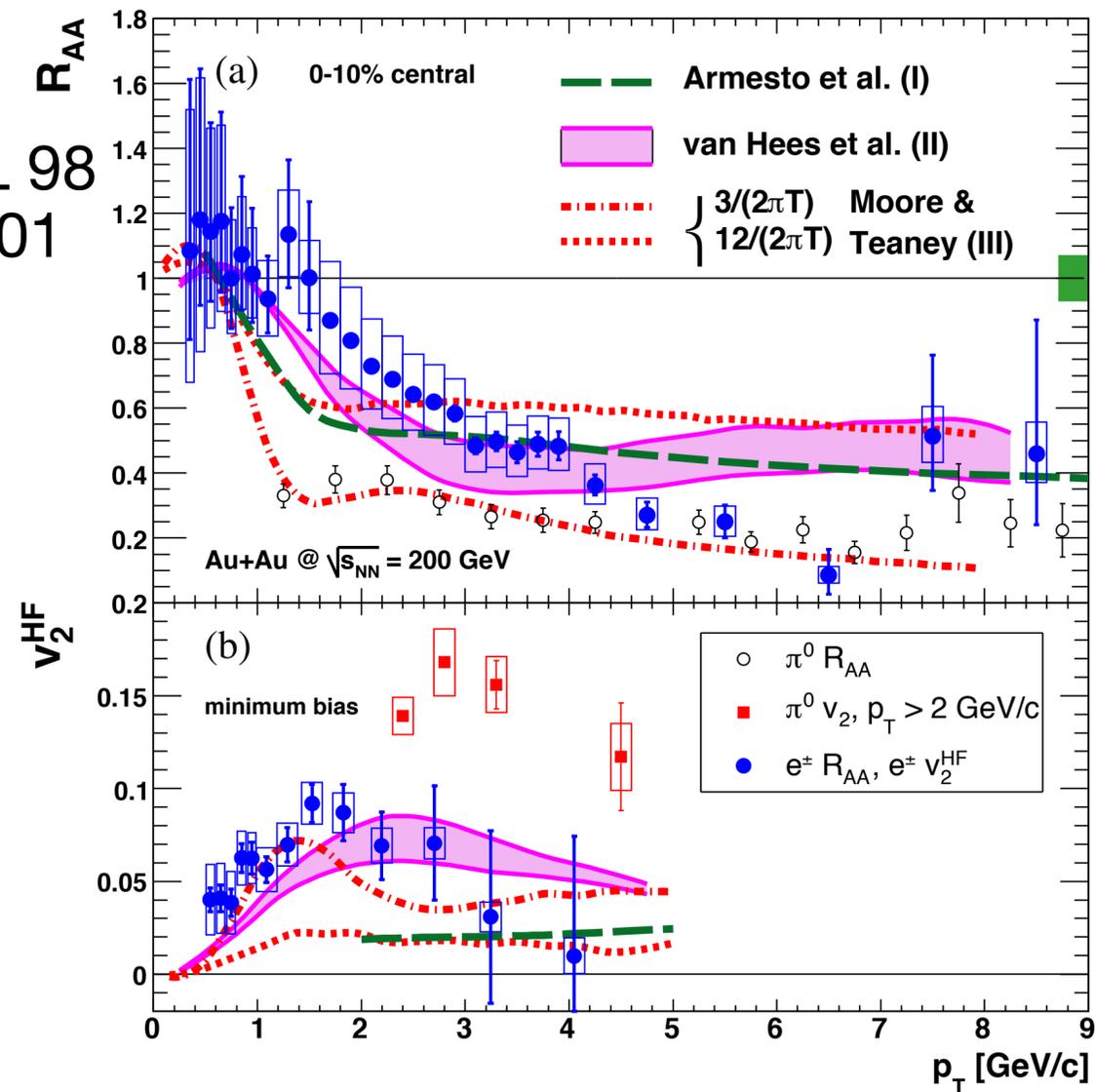
2. Charm and bottom quarks in pp collisions

ATLAS, Phys. Rev. Lett. 124 (2020) 082301

Heavy flavor modification in Au+Au

ALICE, nucl-ex/
2005.11131

PHENIX, PRL 98
(2008) 172301



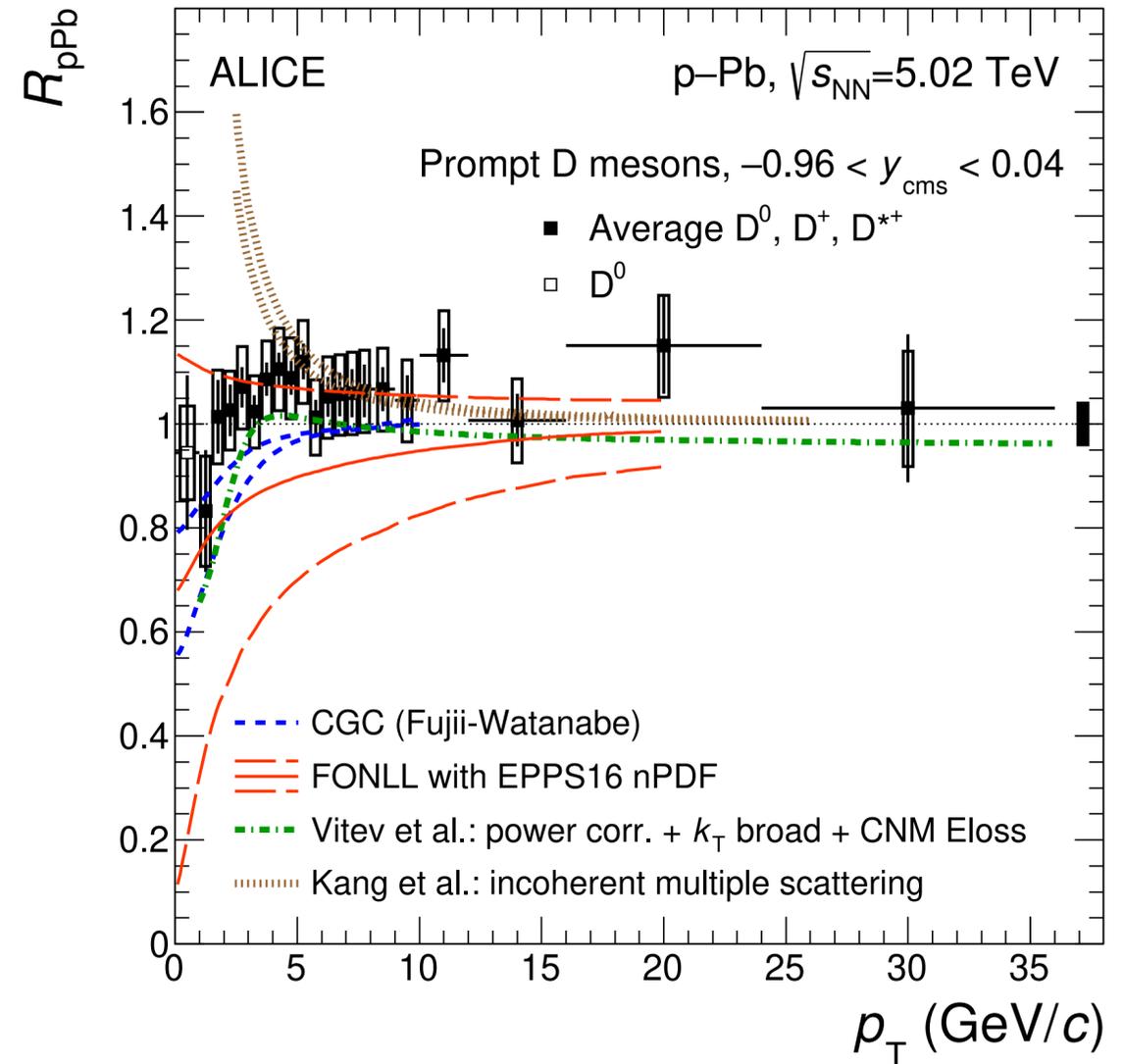
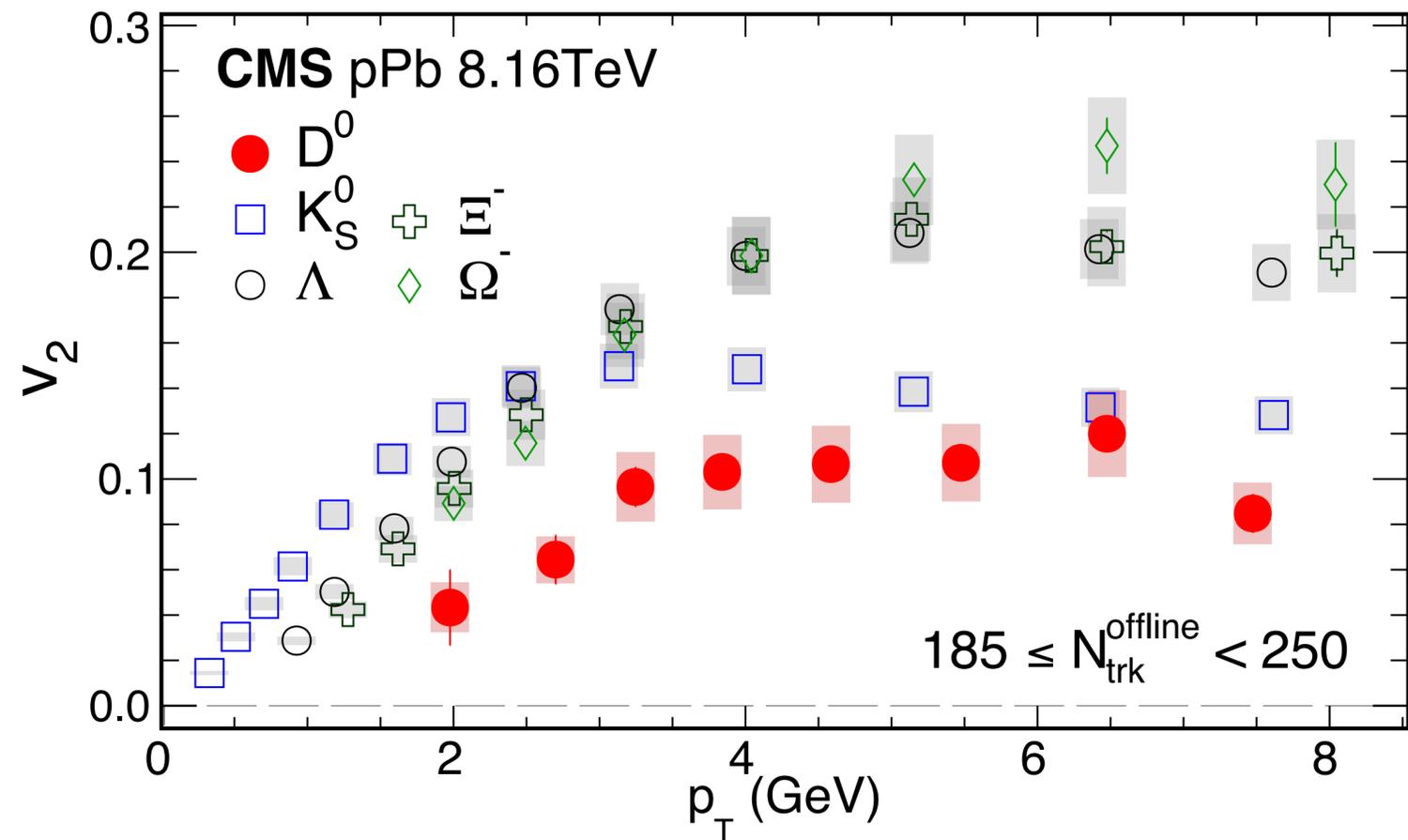
Substantial E -loss and flow of HF electrons at RHIC — one motivation for $\eta/s = 1/4\pi$ bound!

Thermalized charm “feels the shape” of the QGP region at the LHC

Heavy flavor modification(?) in $p+A$

ALICE, JHEP
12 (2019) 092

CMS, PRL 121
(2018) 082301

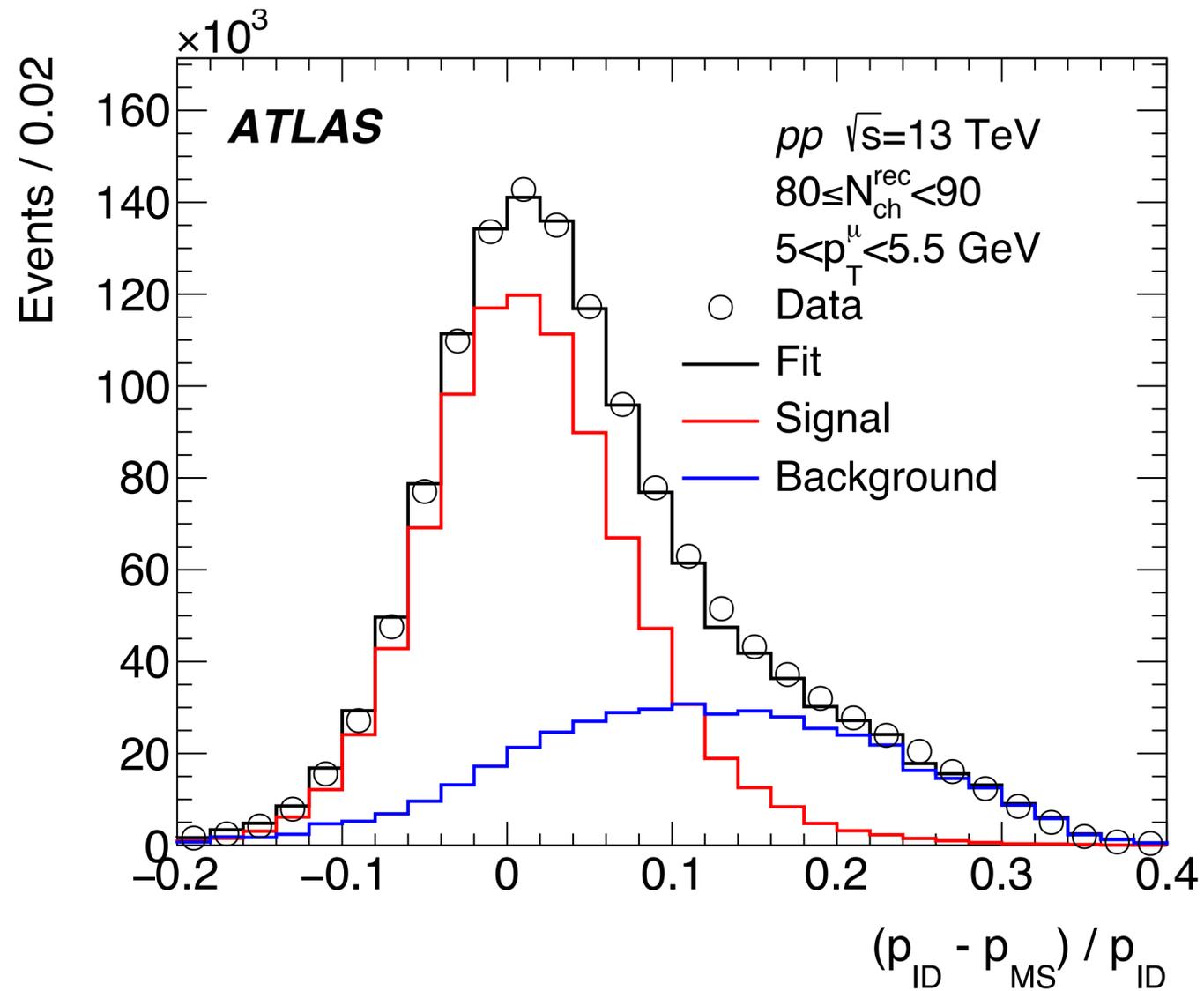


Similar v_2 magnitude for **charm hadrons** in (very high multiplicity) $p+Pb$

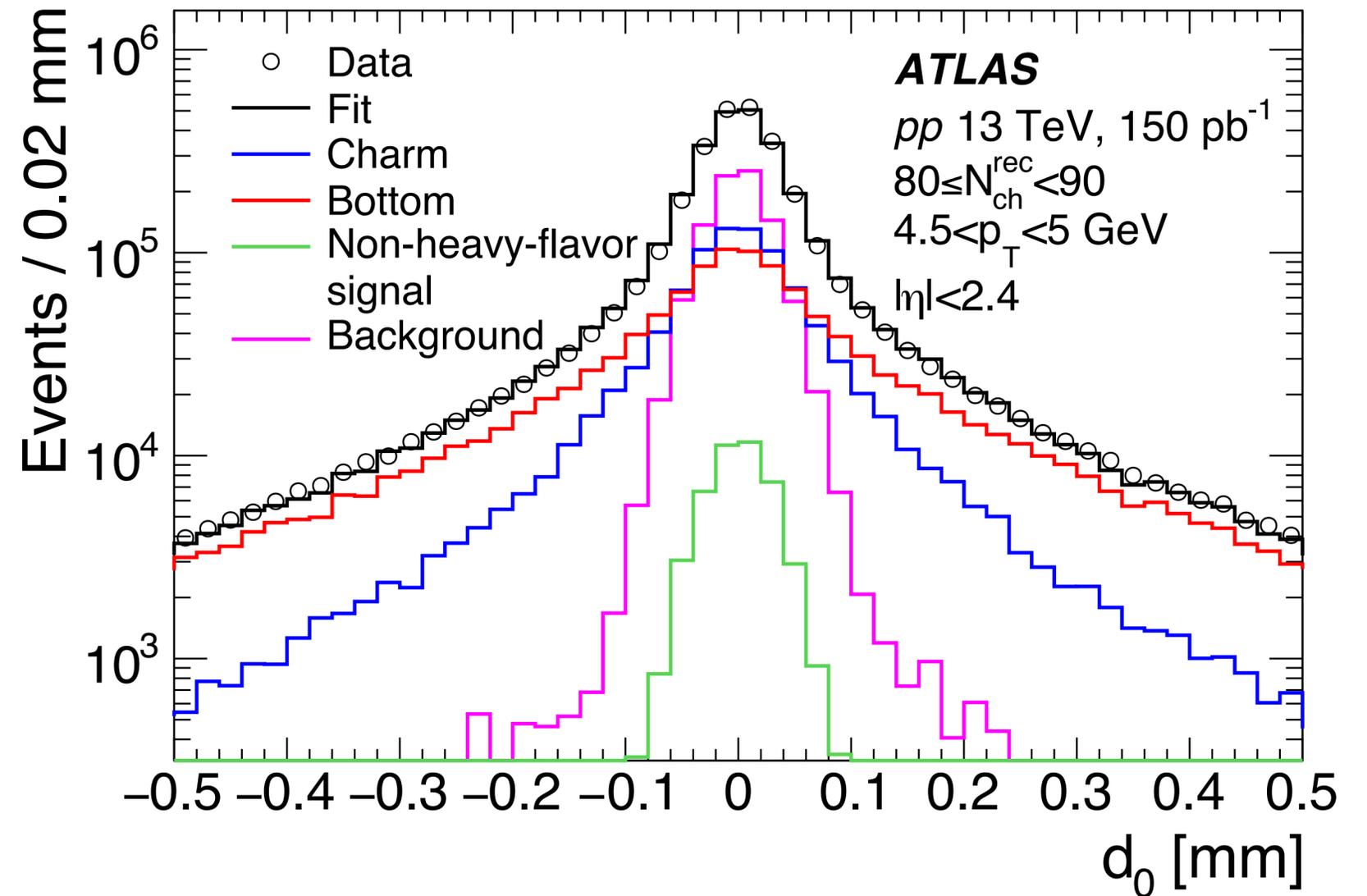
Good constraints on R_{pPb} for charm hadrons in minimum-bias collisions

What about charm and bottom in pp collisions?

Selecting heavy flavor muons in pp

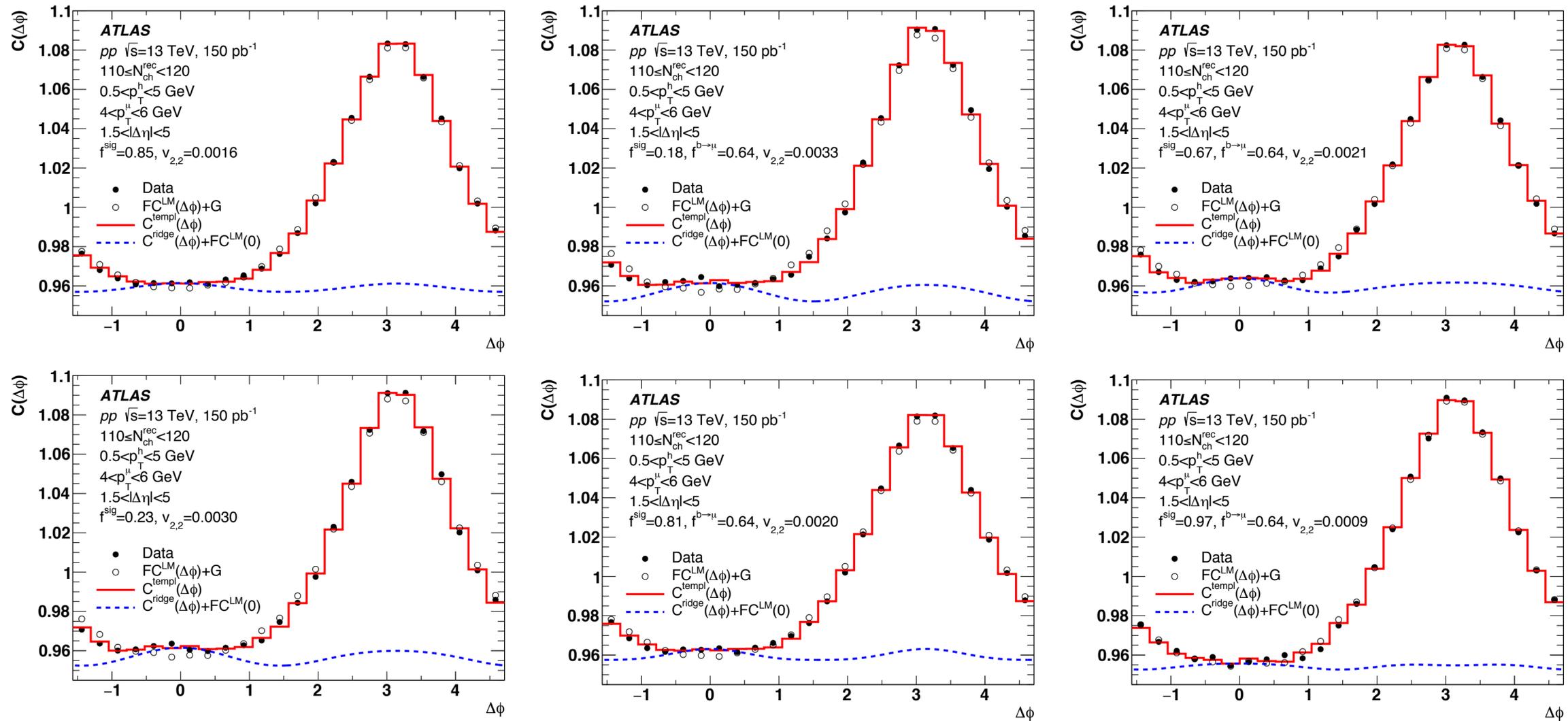


Heavy flavor decay muons separated from **in-flight decays, punch-throughs, etc.** via inner tracker - muon spectrometer p match



Decay muons from **charm** and **bottom** hadrons separated via transverse impact parameter

Two-particle correlation analysis



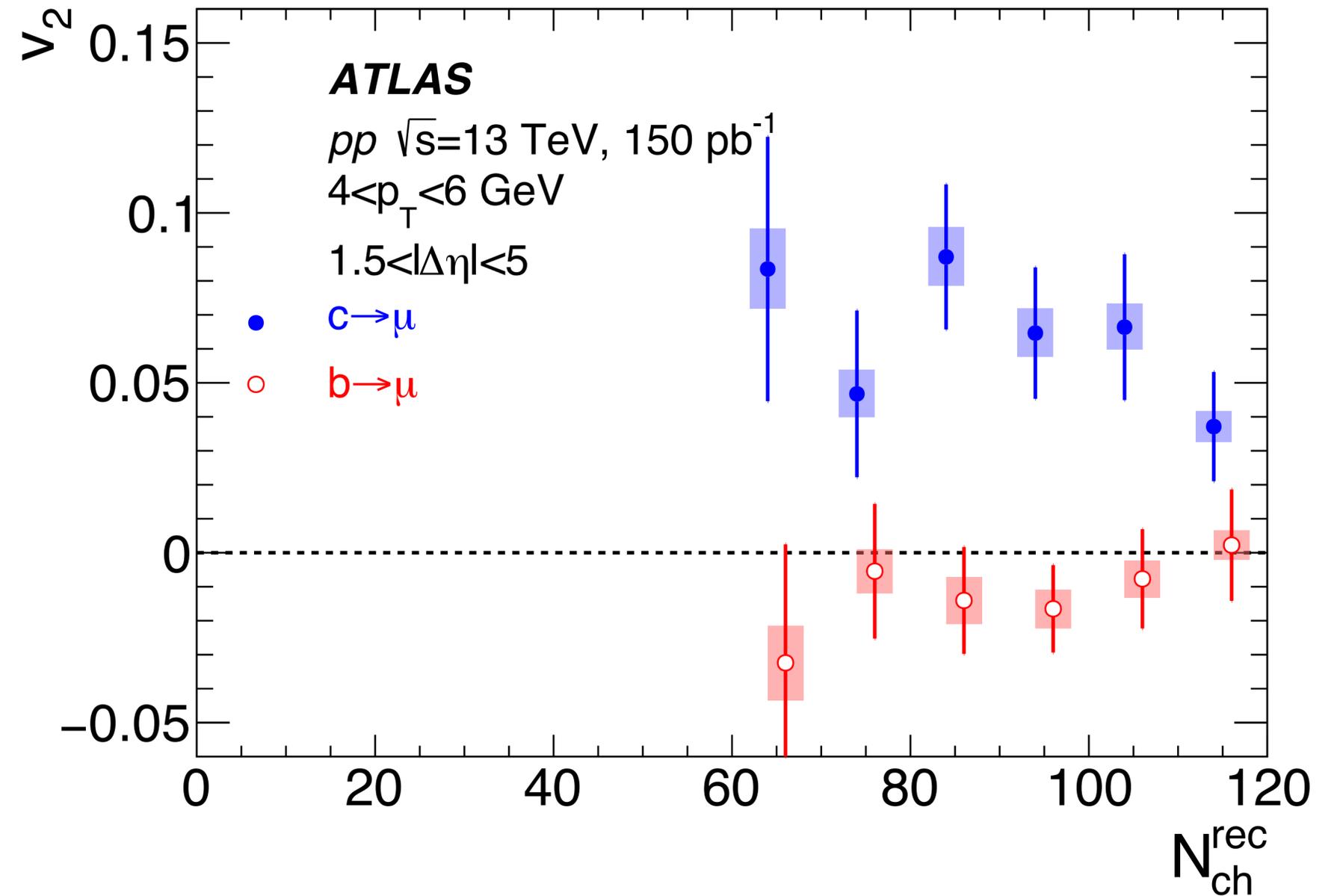
Rapidity-separated two-particle $\Delta\phi$ correlations with template fit to remove non-flow

Performed in selections with different (genuine muon, background) and (charm, bottom) fractions, extrapolated to v_2 for pure charm and pure bottom

Charm and bottom v_2 in pp collisions

Large v_2 values for muons from **c-hadrons** in high-multiplicity pp collisions ($\sim 0-7\%$ pp)!

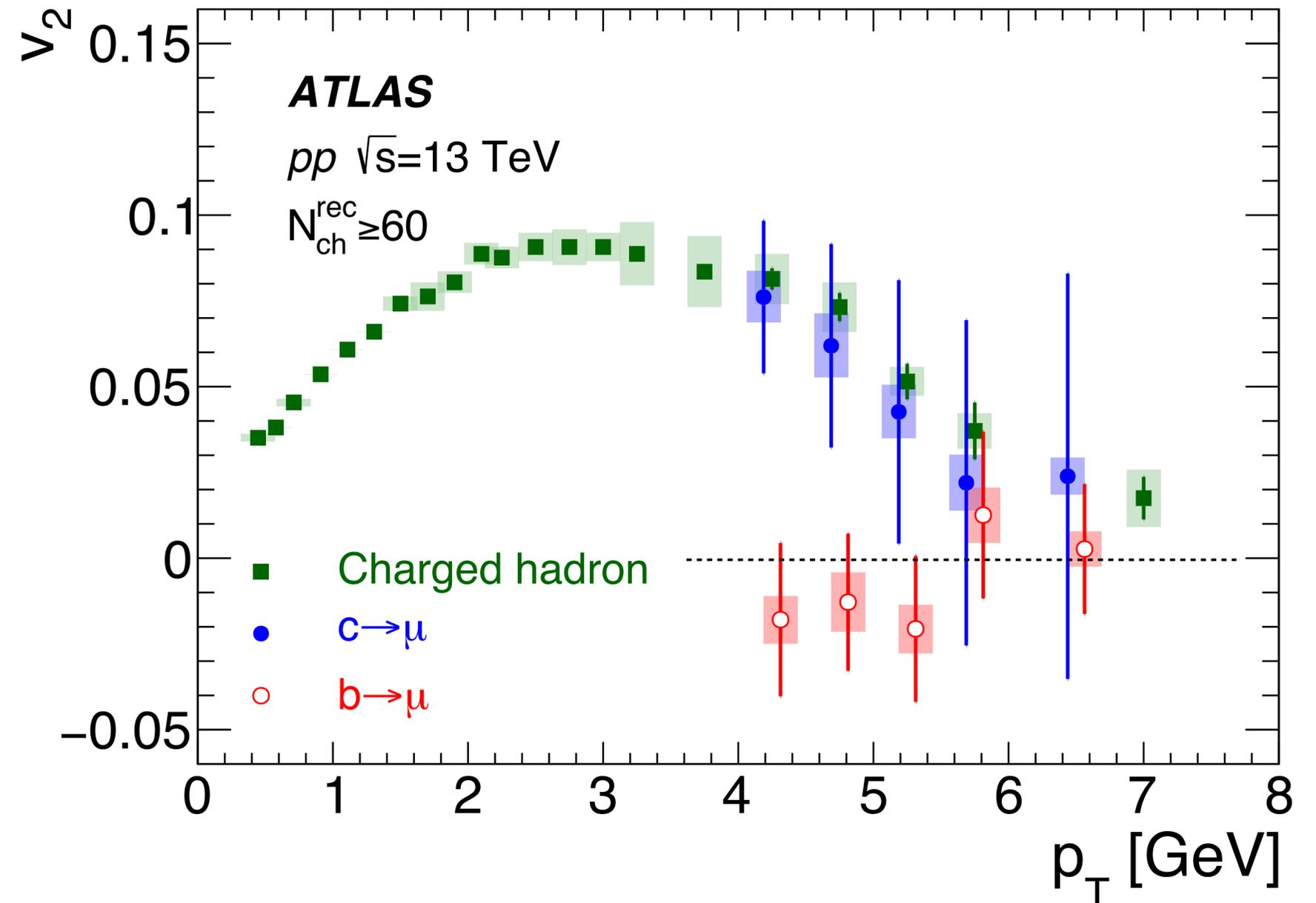
on the other hand, $v_2 \sim 0$ for **b-hadrons**



Charm and bottom v_2 in pp collisions

p_T -dependence of **charm v_2**
matches **light hadrons**
(but remember decay
kinematics!)

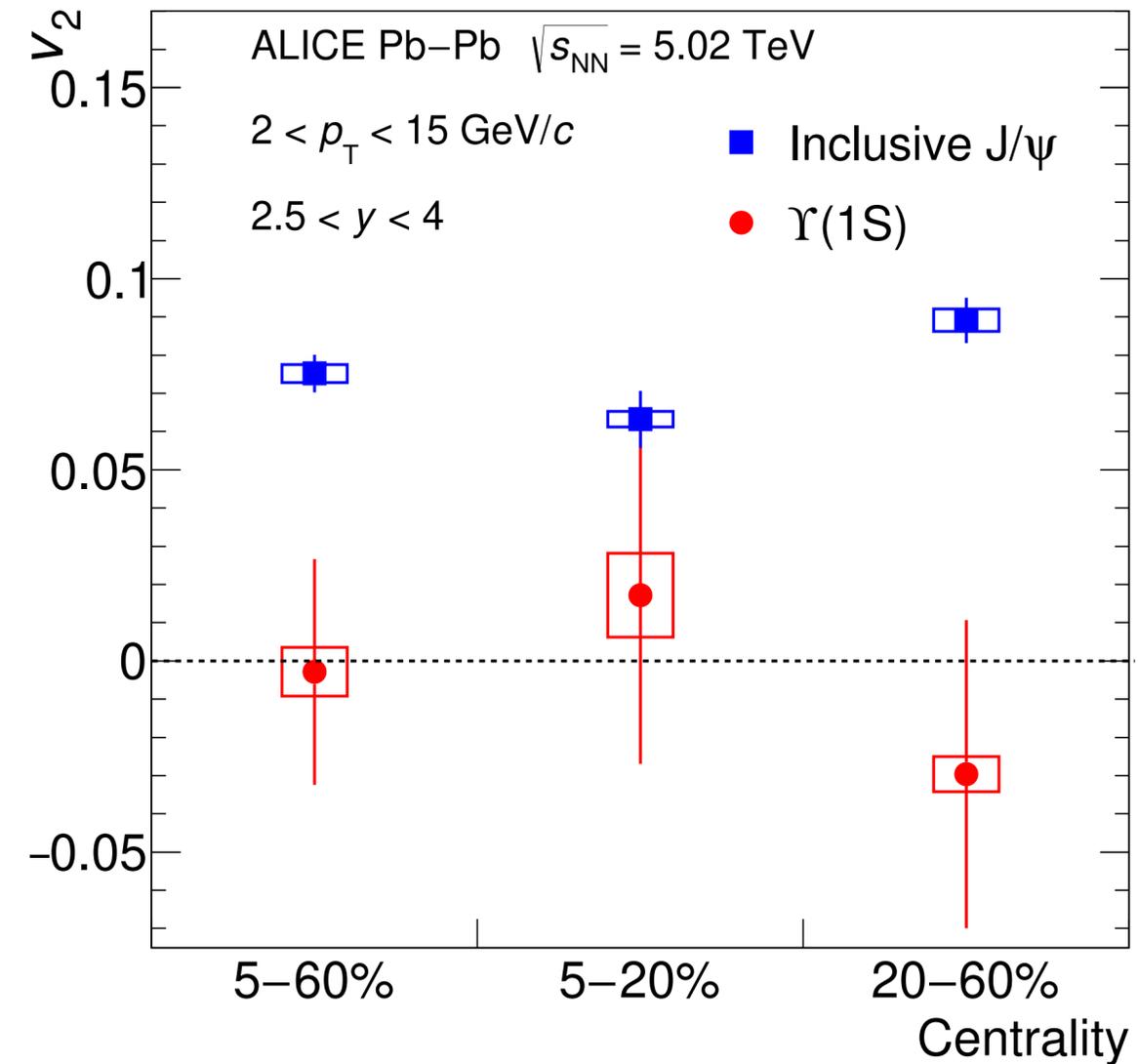
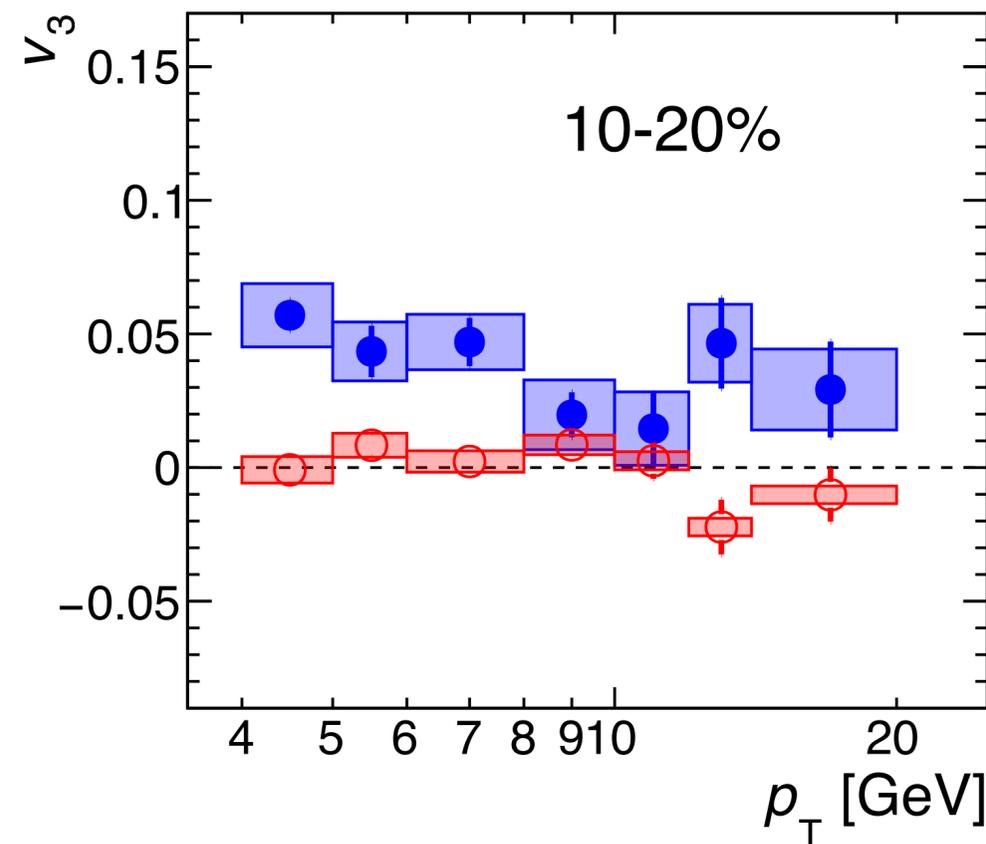
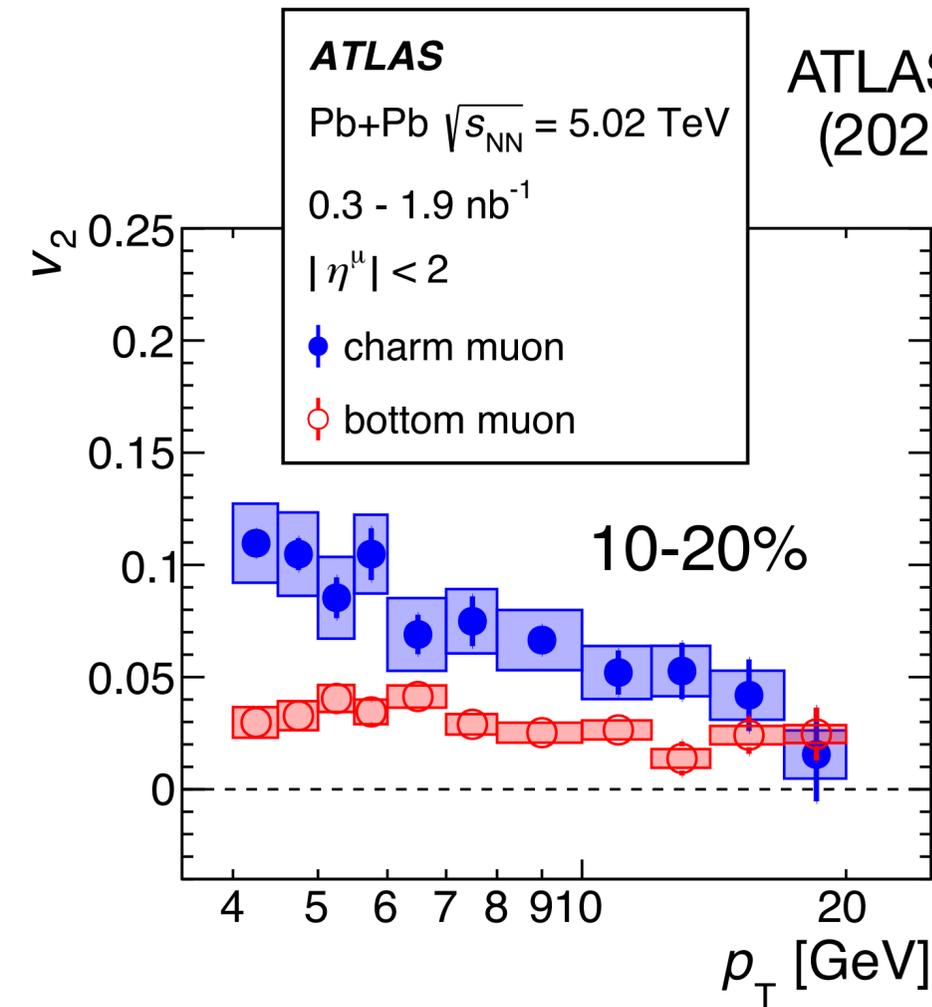
Possible to have **bottom v_2** at
lower p_T , where physics
mechanisms change?
($p_T^\mu > 4$ GeV similar to $p_T^{\text{b-hadron}} \gtrsim 6$ GeV)



Importance of b -quarks in Pb+Pb

ALICE, PRL 123
(2019) 192301

ATLAS, PLB 807
(2020) 135595



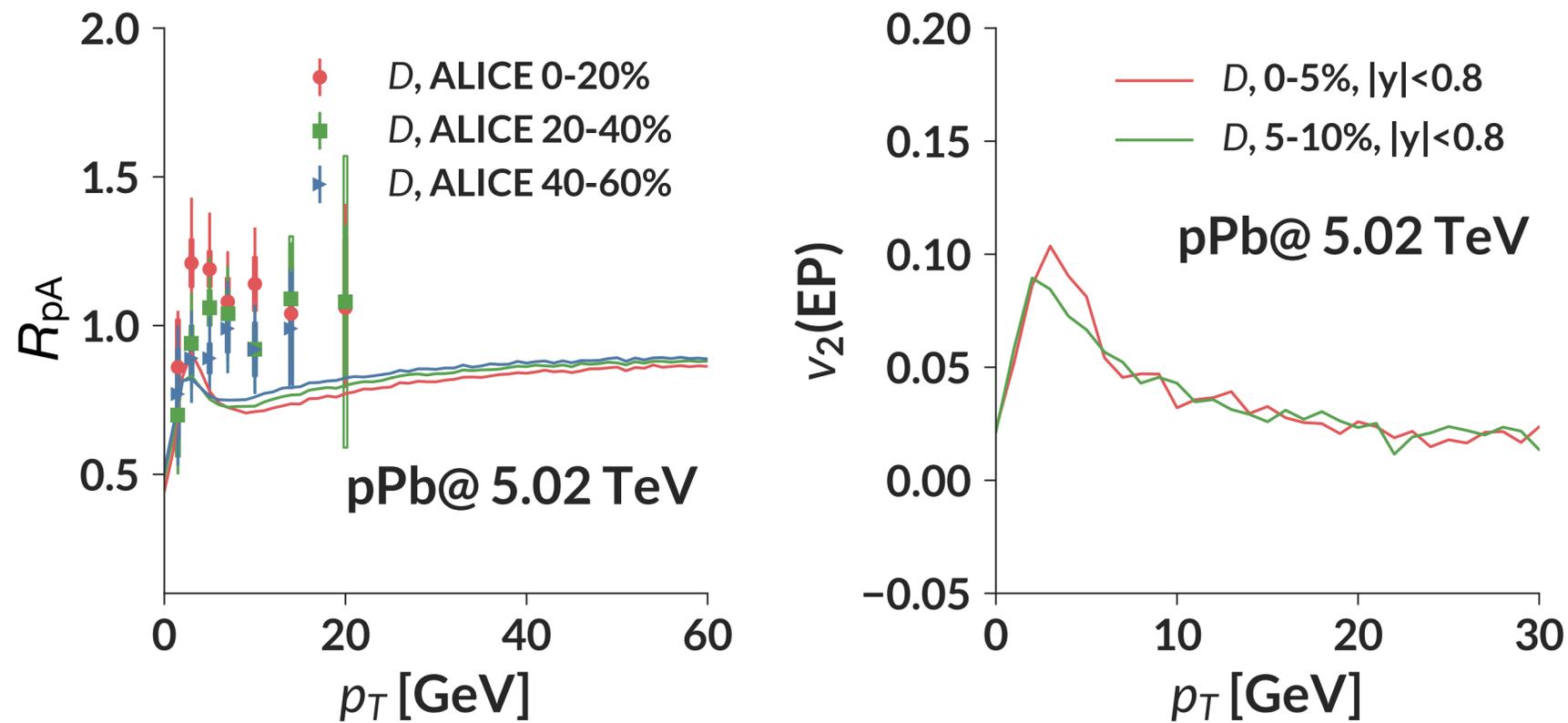
Mass effect also important
in Pb+Pb: v_2 for muons from
c-hadron vs. **b-hadron**

Sizable v_3 for muons from
c-hadrons in Pb+Pb, but
 ~ 0 for **b-hadrons**!

v_2 for Upsilon(1S) in **Pb+Pb**
also compatible with zero...

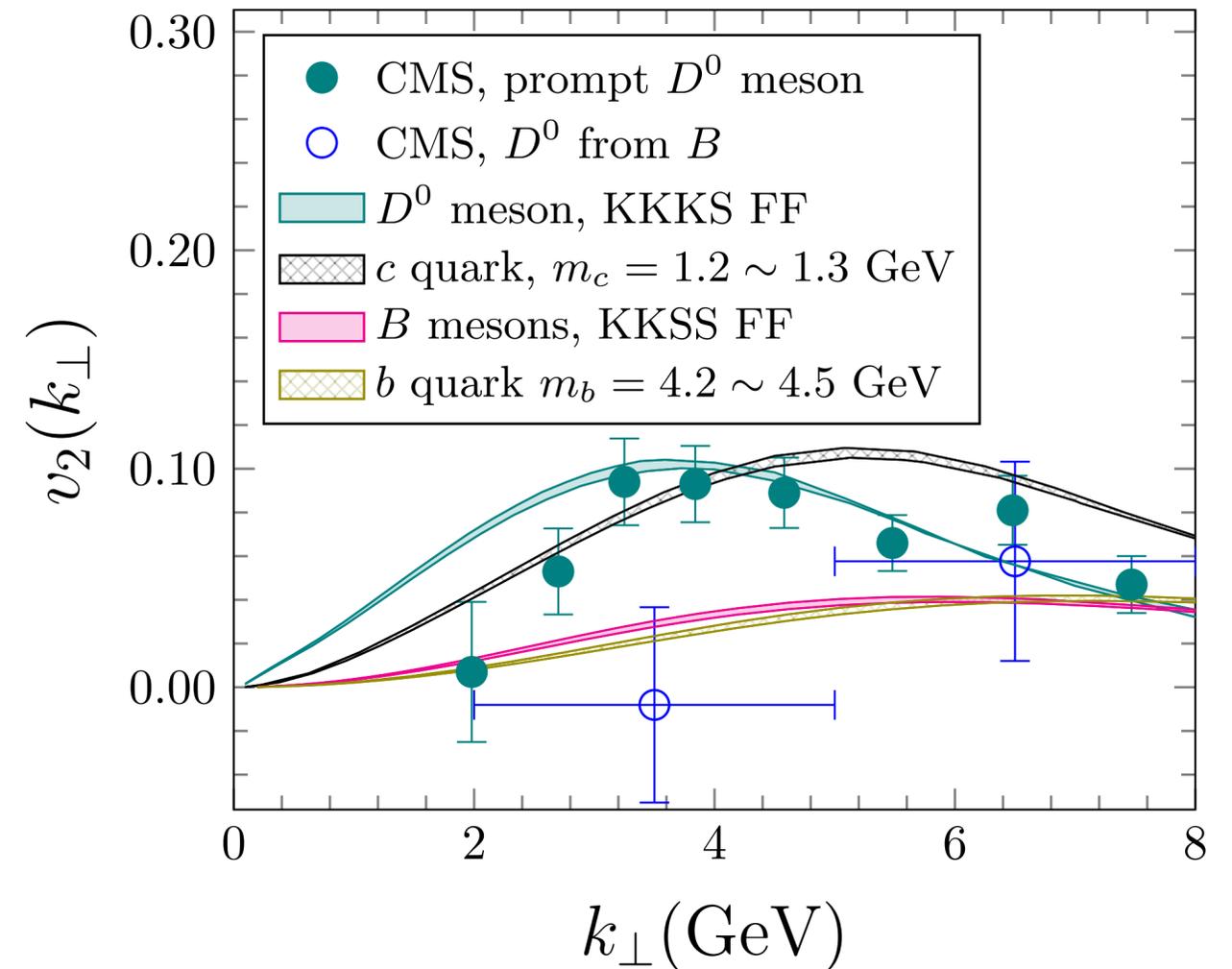
Interpretation (for $p+A$)

Xu, Ke, Bass, RHIC-AGS AUM 2018



Langevin approach with parameters from Bayesian analysis of Pb+Pb data - difficult to reconcile observed R_{pA}

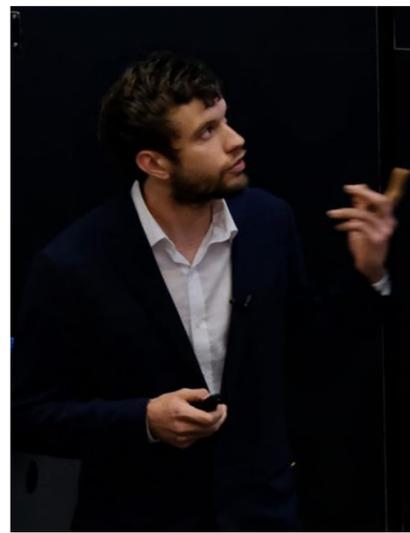
Zhang et al., PRD 102, 034010 (2020)



CGC calculation w/ interesting other predictions

What do these look like in pp (smaller system, no $A^{1/3}$ saturation enhancement)?

3. Searching for collective phenomena in photo-nuclear collisions



Blair Seidlitz

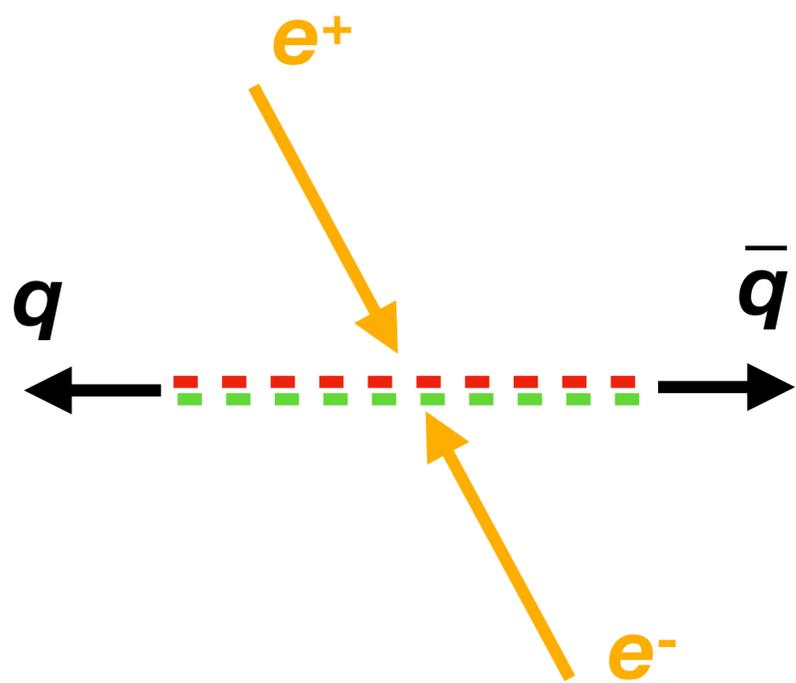
Preliminary result [ATLAS-CONF-2019-022](#)

Limiting conditions for collectivity?

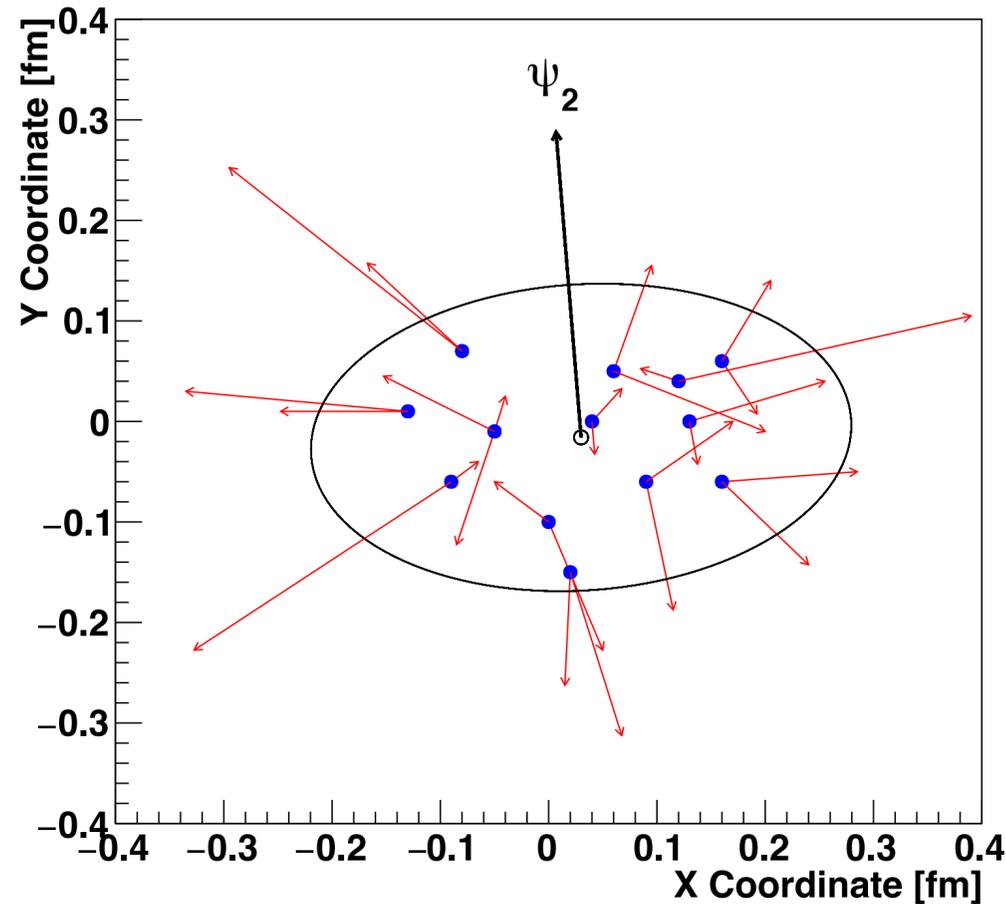
- In a final-state interaction picture, non-zero v_n values arise from an *intrinsic transverse geometry*, not “just” a large multiplicity
 - ➔ without a “long-range” geometry - one persisting across large rapidity range - particle rescattering cannot generate a v_2 (or $v_3, v_4\dots$)

AMPT model of $e^+e^- (\rightarrow Z) \rightarrow q\bar{q}$

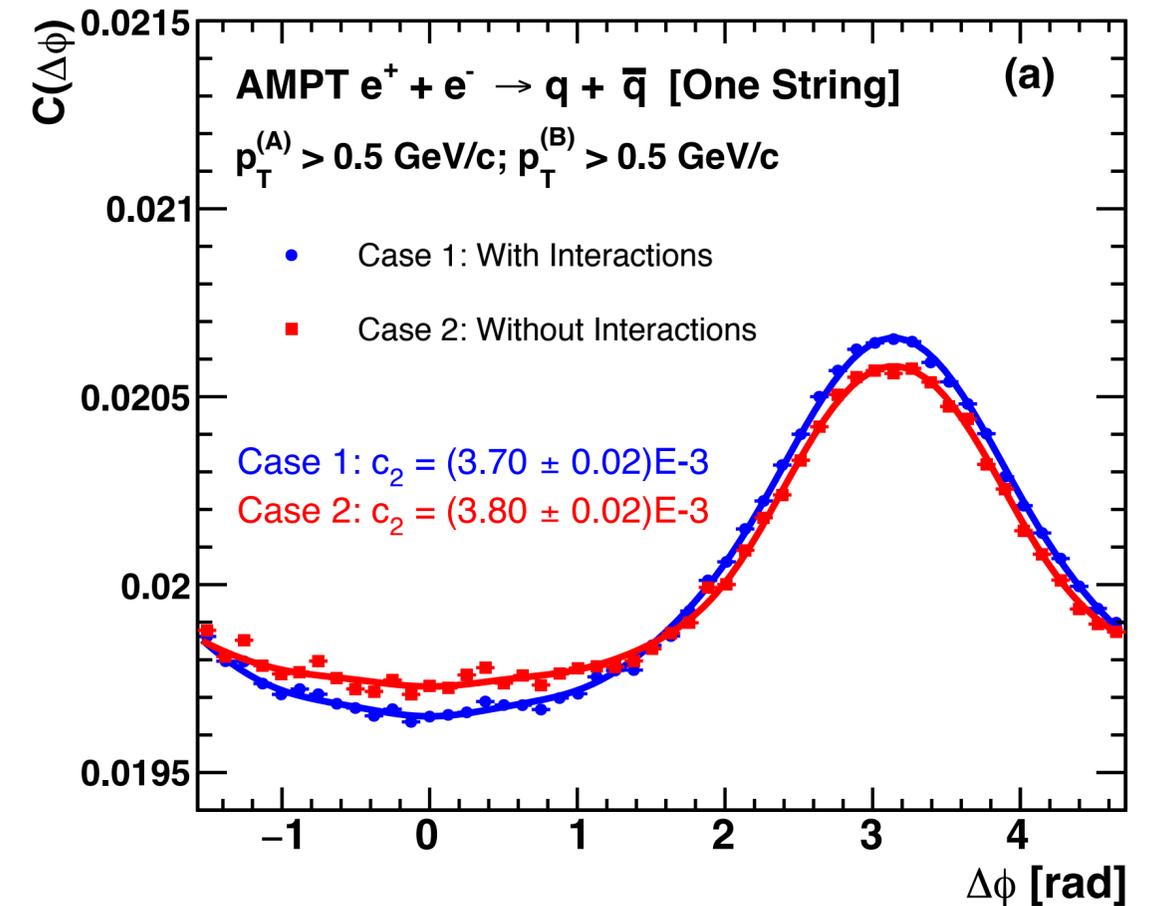
Nagle, Belmont, Hill, Orjuela Koop,
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PRC 97 (2018) 024909



Model as a single string stretched between two receding quarks with $E = m_Z/2$



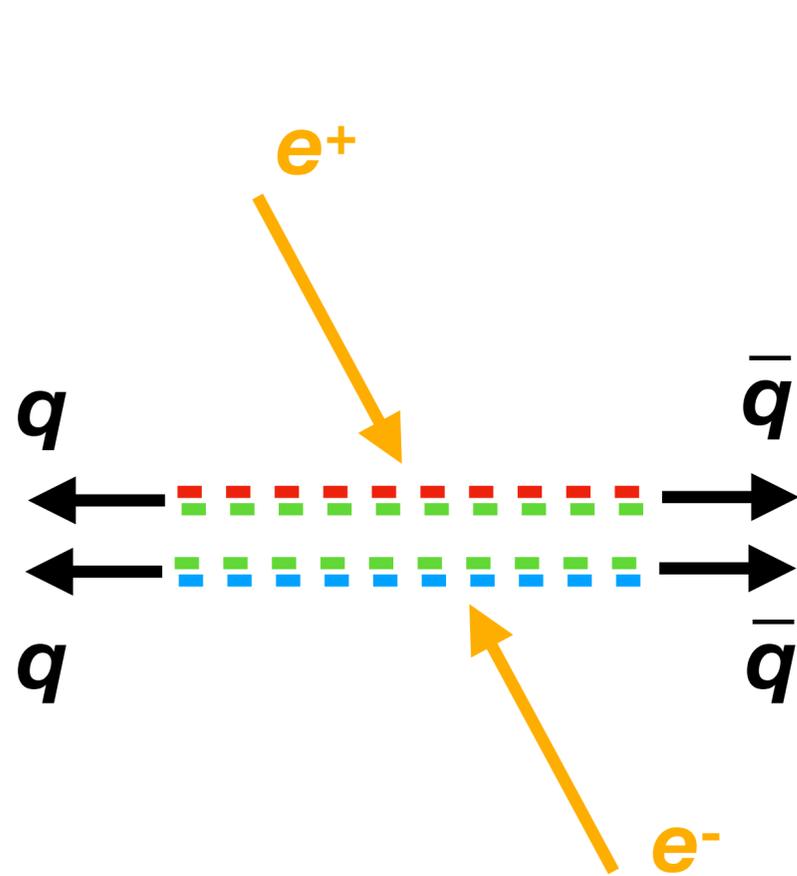
Snapshot of partons with momentum vectors in transverse plane



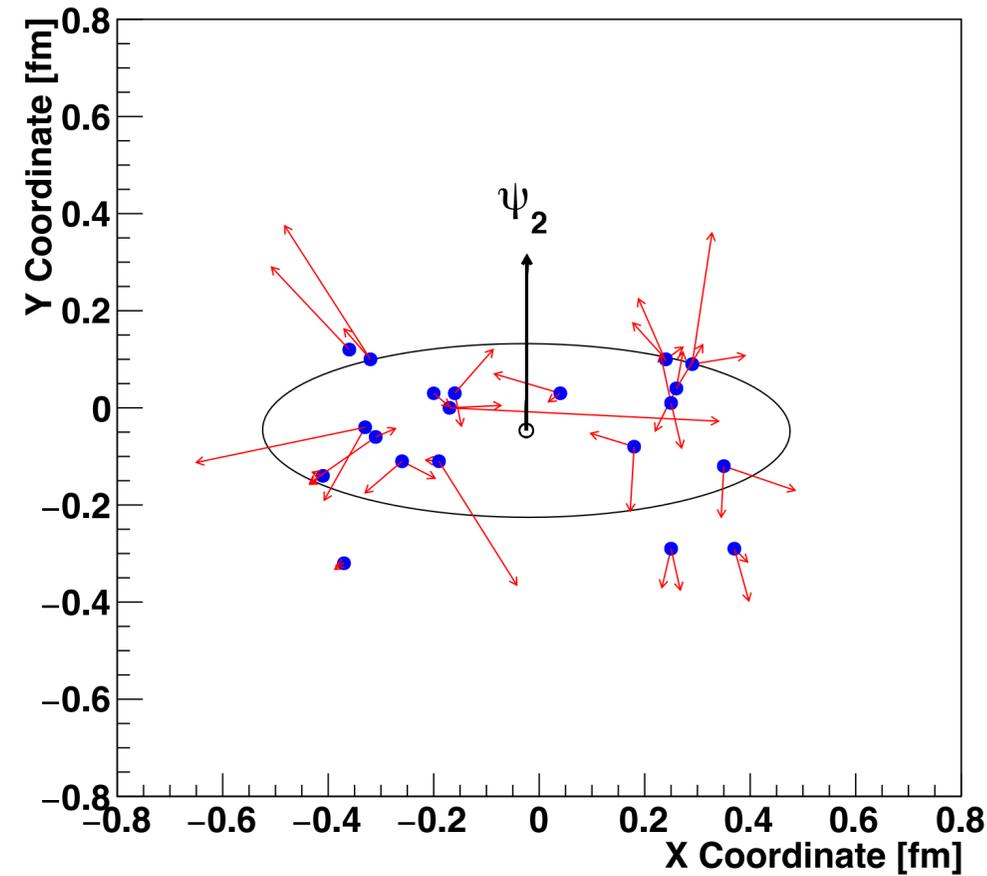
Parton rescatterings in the final state are happening - but no “preferred” final direction - no long-range ridge!

AMPT two-string example

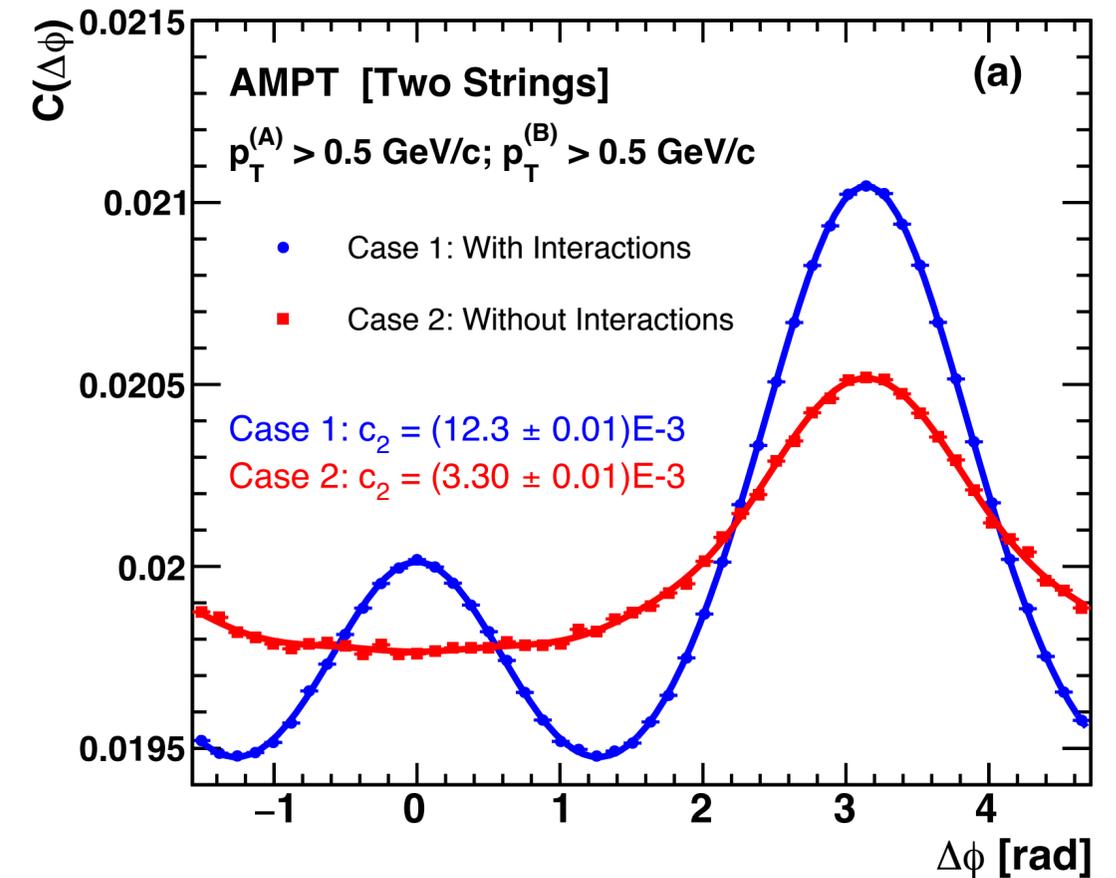
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Consider fictitious case with two parallel strings



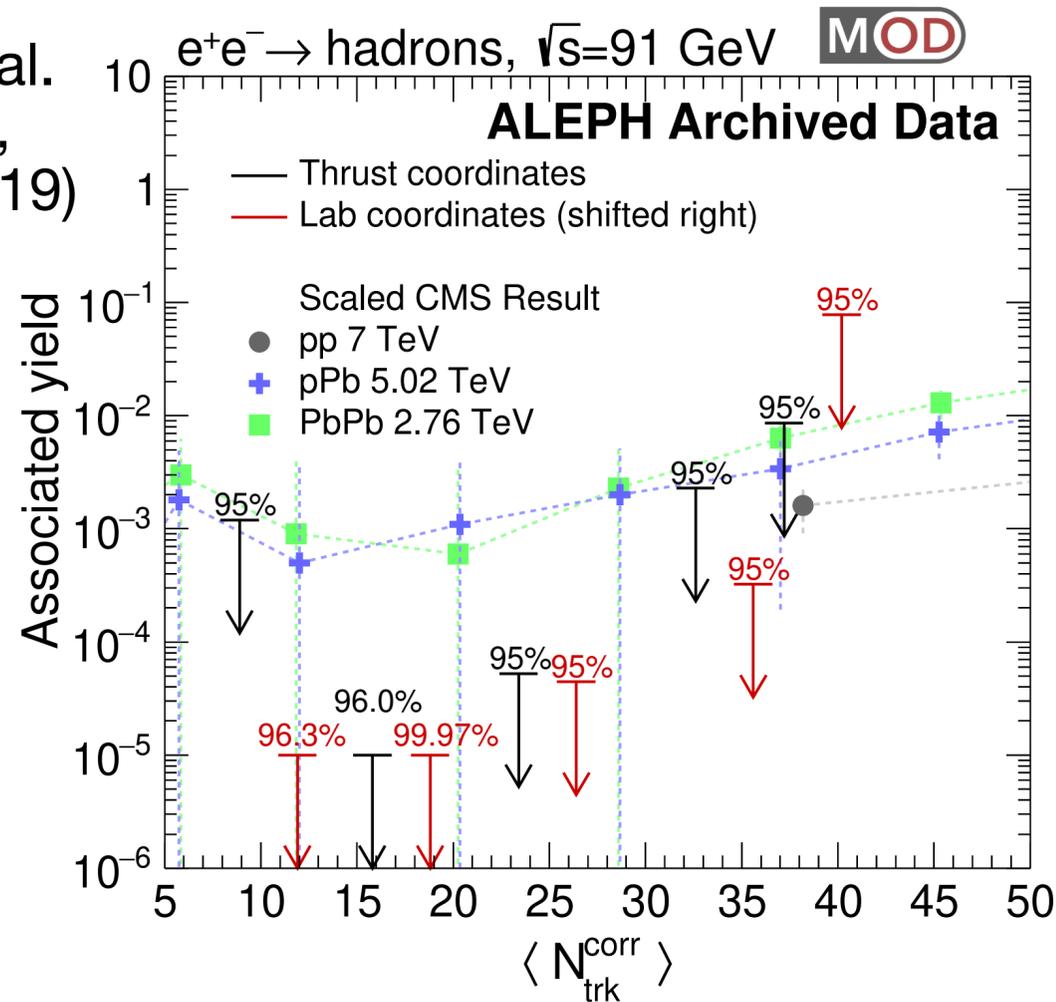
Same total energy, same total multiplicity — but now there is a long-range geometry



Parton rescatterings now generate a long-range azimuthal correlation

Studies in archived data

Badea, et al.
PRL 123,
212002 (2019)

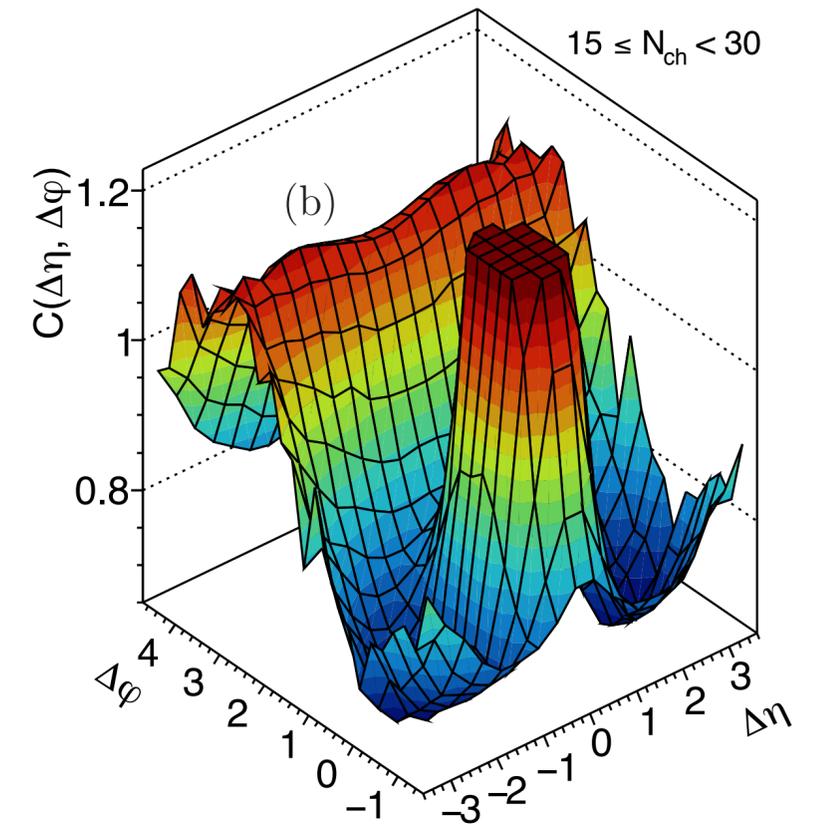
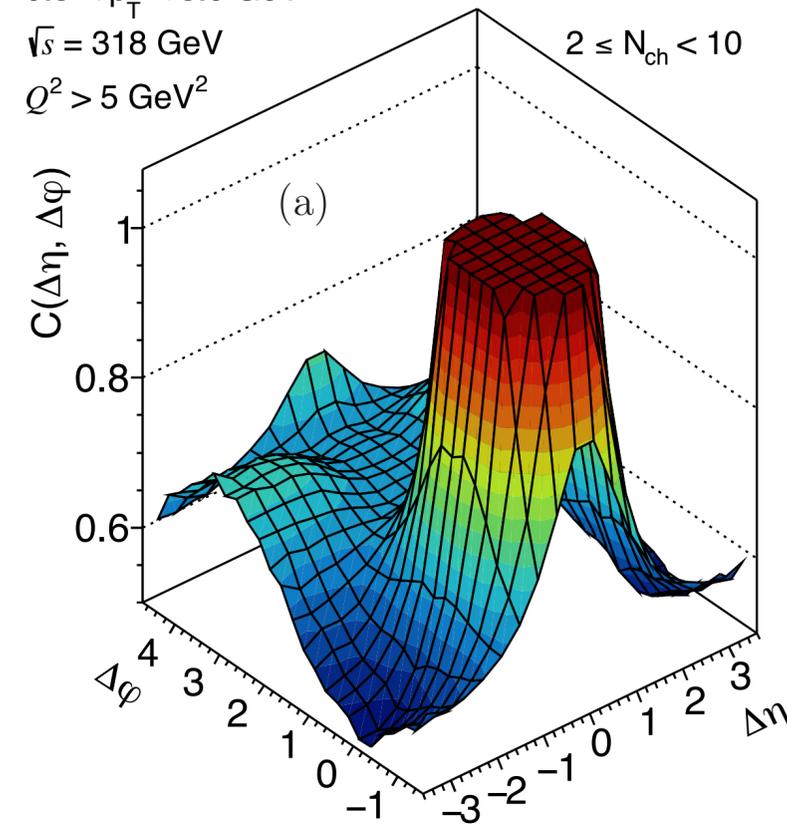


Strong limits on possible magnitude of v_2 - as expected in FSI picture w/ no long-range geometry!

Abt et al. (ZEUS),
JHEP 04 (2020) 070

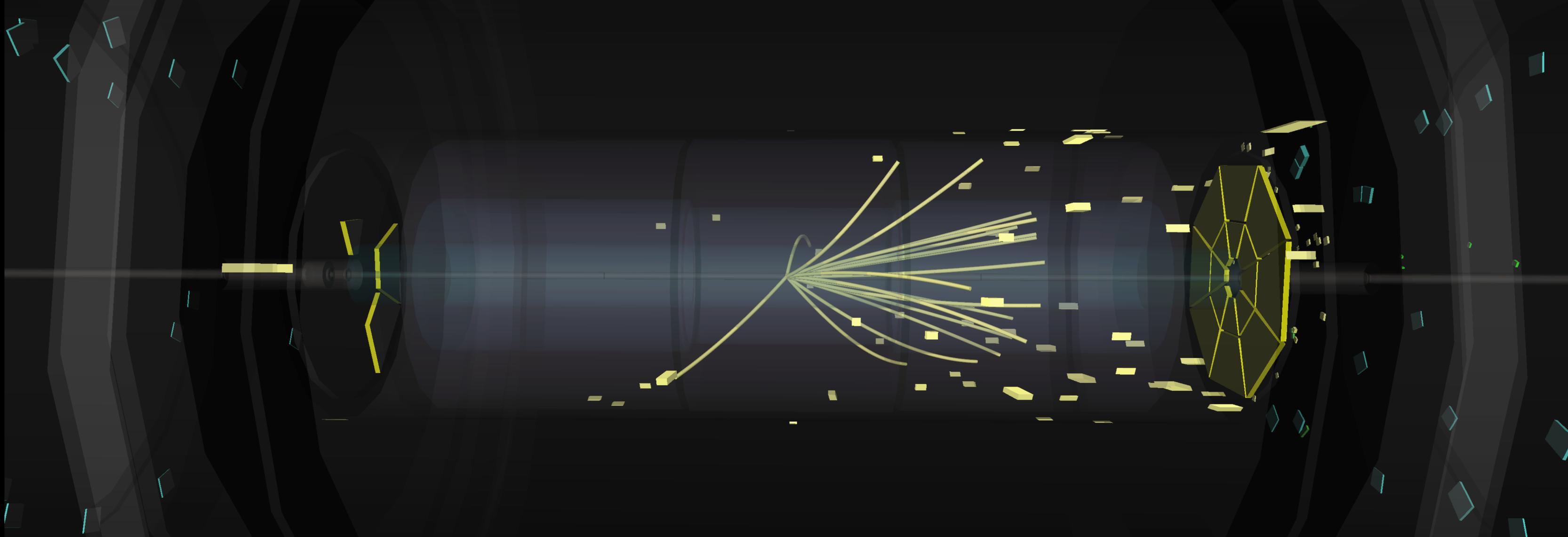
ZEUS

$0.5 < p_T < 5.0 \text{ GeV}$
 $\sqrt{s} = 318 \text{ GeV}$
 $Q^2 > 5 \text{ GeV}^2$



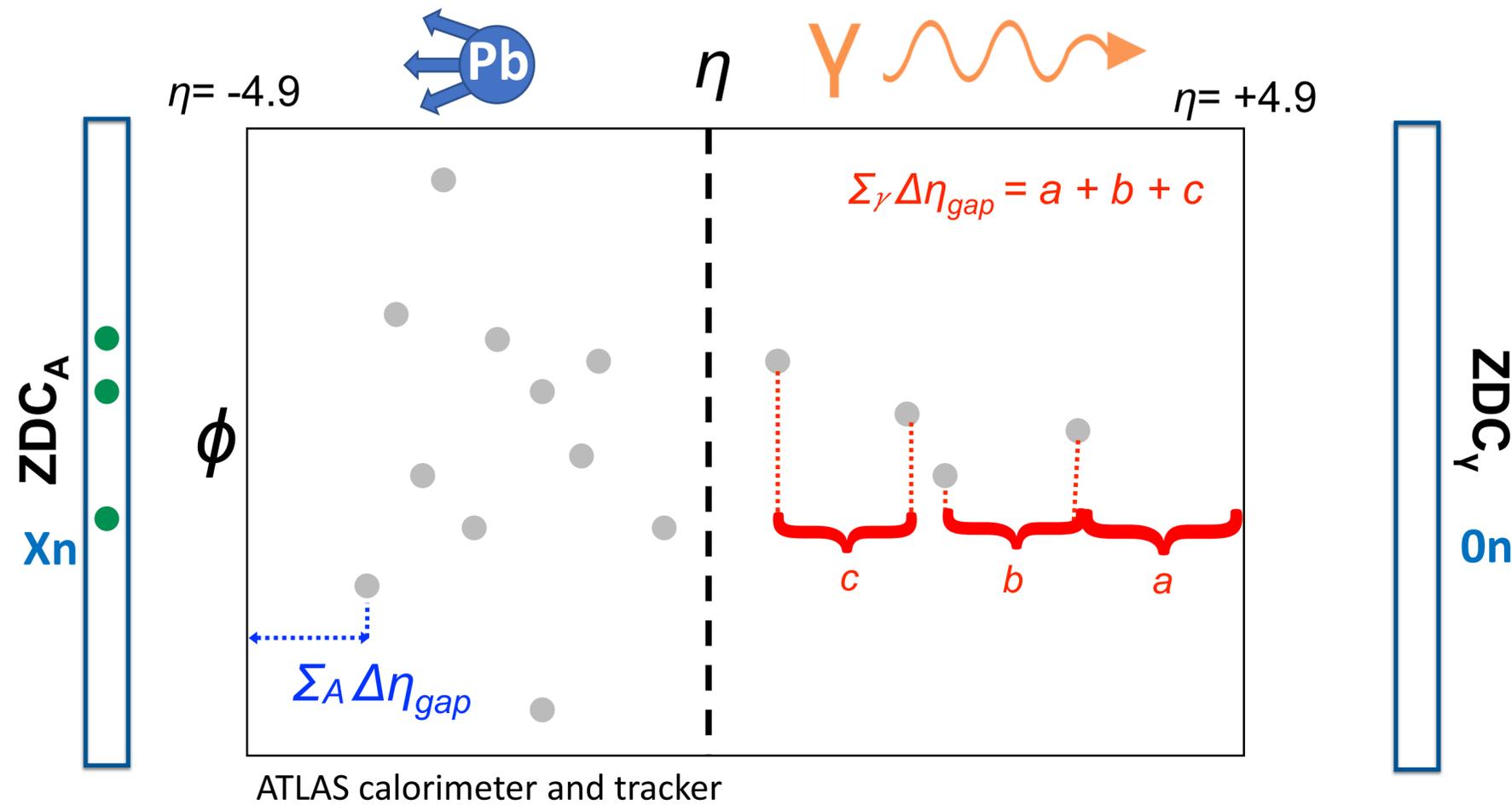
DIS ep collisions - structures dominated by multijet production, not compatible with collective effects...

What about a system “between” pp/pA and ee/ep ?



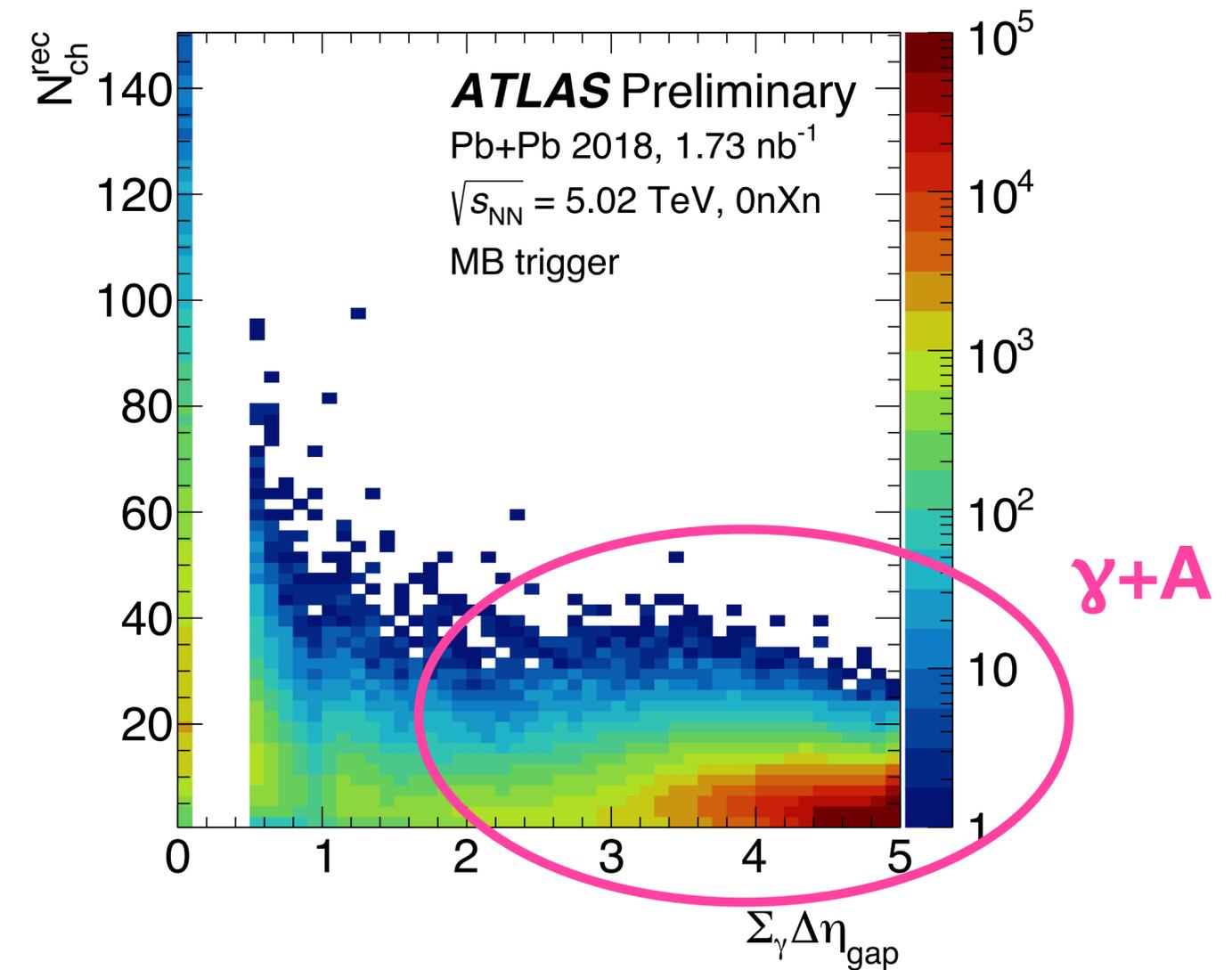
- Photo-nuclear ($\gamma+A$) interactions: quasireal photon from one nuclear interacts with the other (which may generally break up)
- Identifiable by characteristically asymmetric topology
- “Clean” environment - photoproduction limit of DIS on nuclei (like at EIC!)

Photo-nuclear event selection



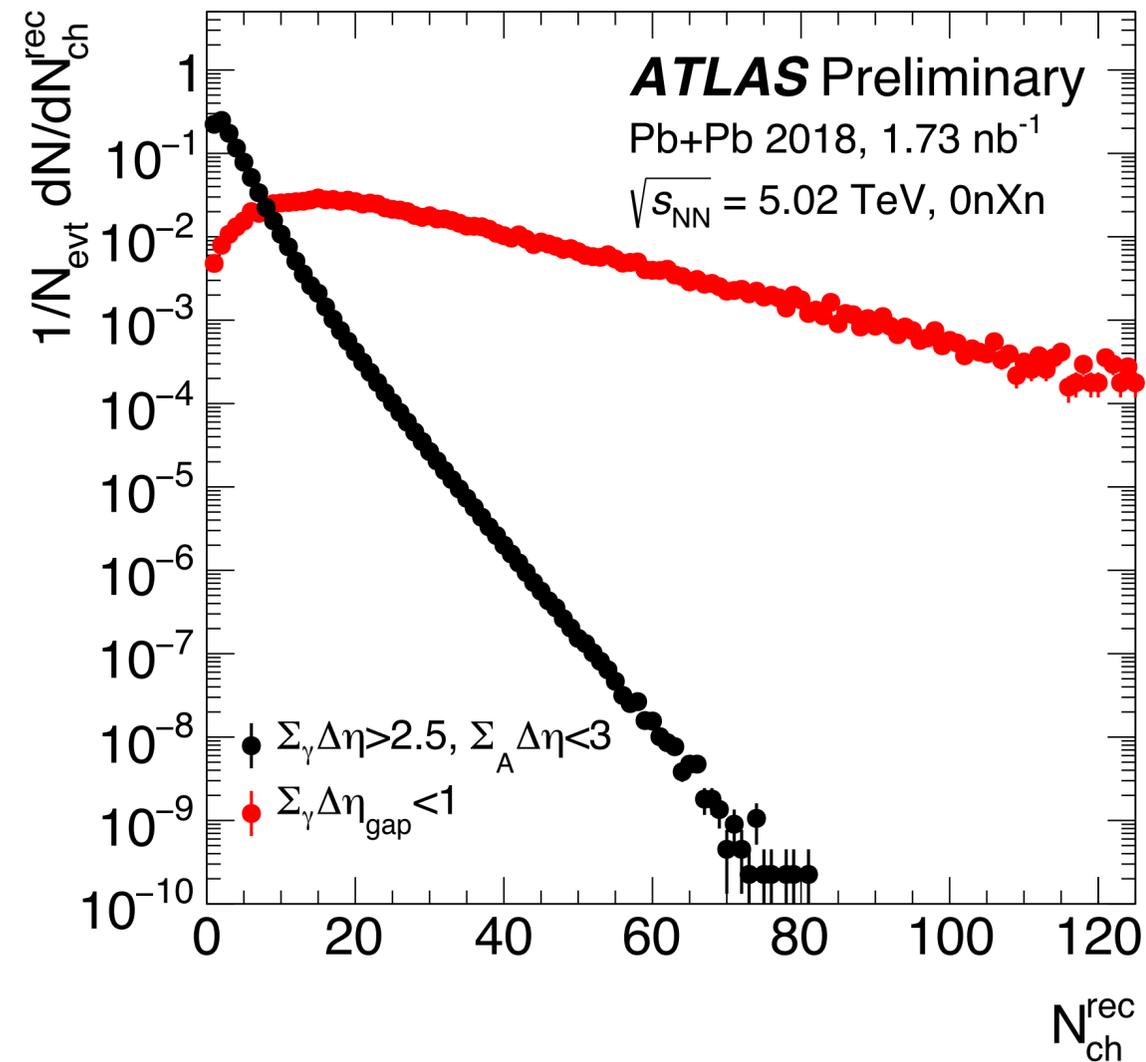
Event Selection: $\Sigma_A \Delta \eta_{\text{gap}} < 3$ $\Sigma_\gamma \Delta \eta_{\text{gap}} > 2.5$

Identify events via large “sum of gaps” in calorimeter+tracker plus ZDC veto on one side

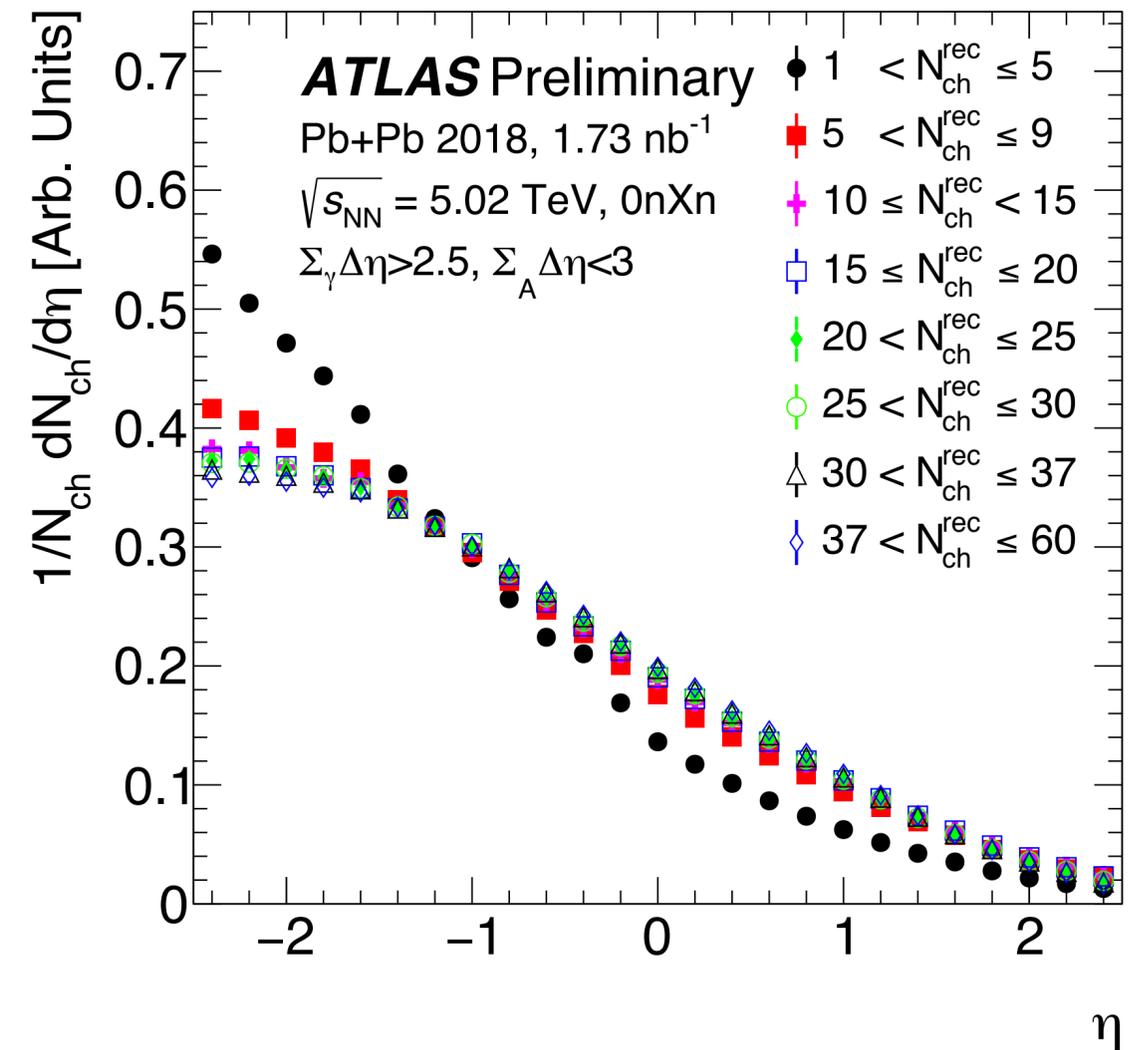


Select events with large photon-side sum-of-gaps

Photo-nuclear event properties



Steeply falling multiplicity distribution for γ +A events - specialized trigger used to collect large statistics!



Asymmetric $dN/d\eta$ as in p +A collisions

Two-particle correlations

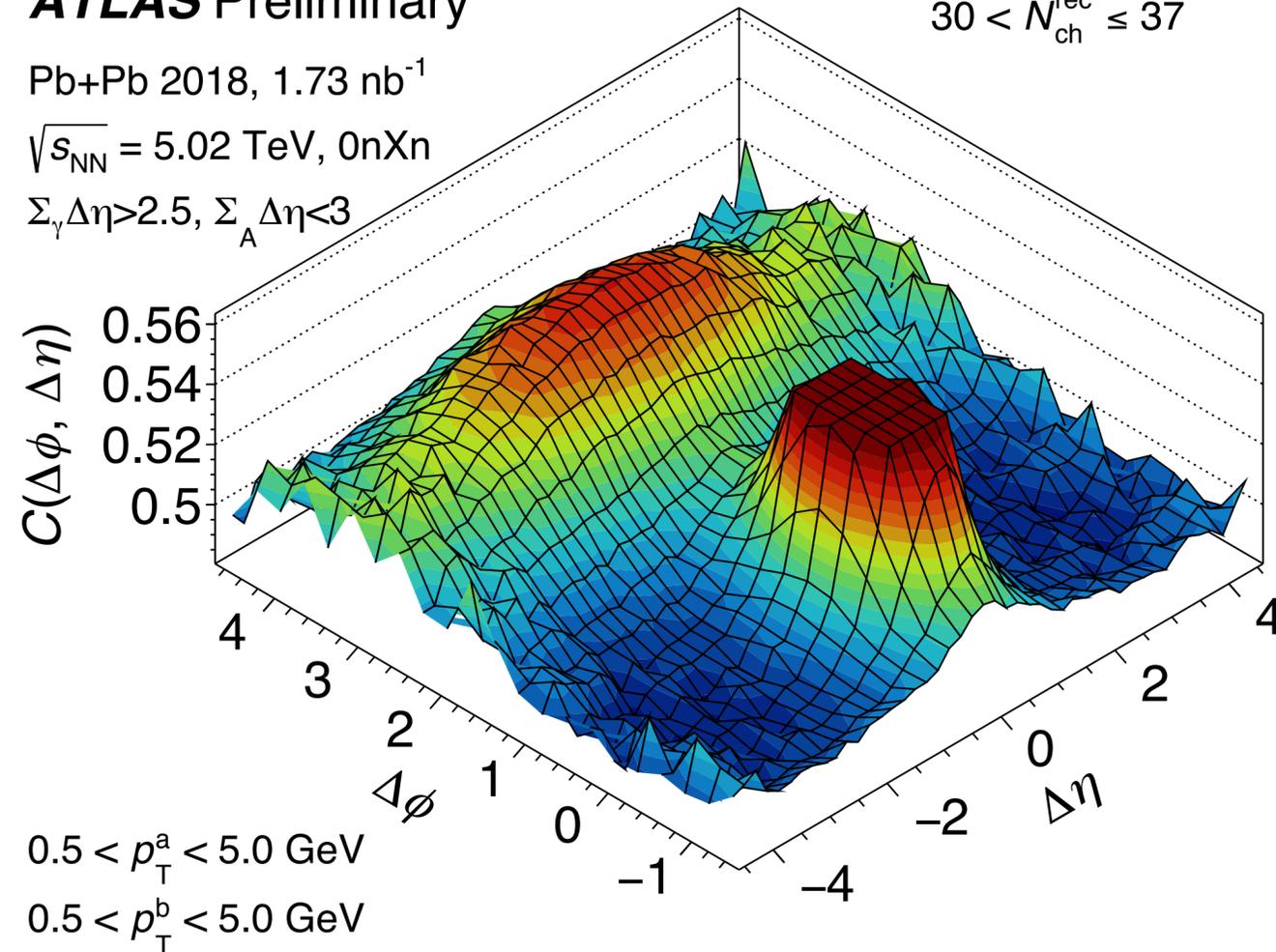
ATLAS Preliminary

Pb+Pb 2018, 1.73 nb⁻¹

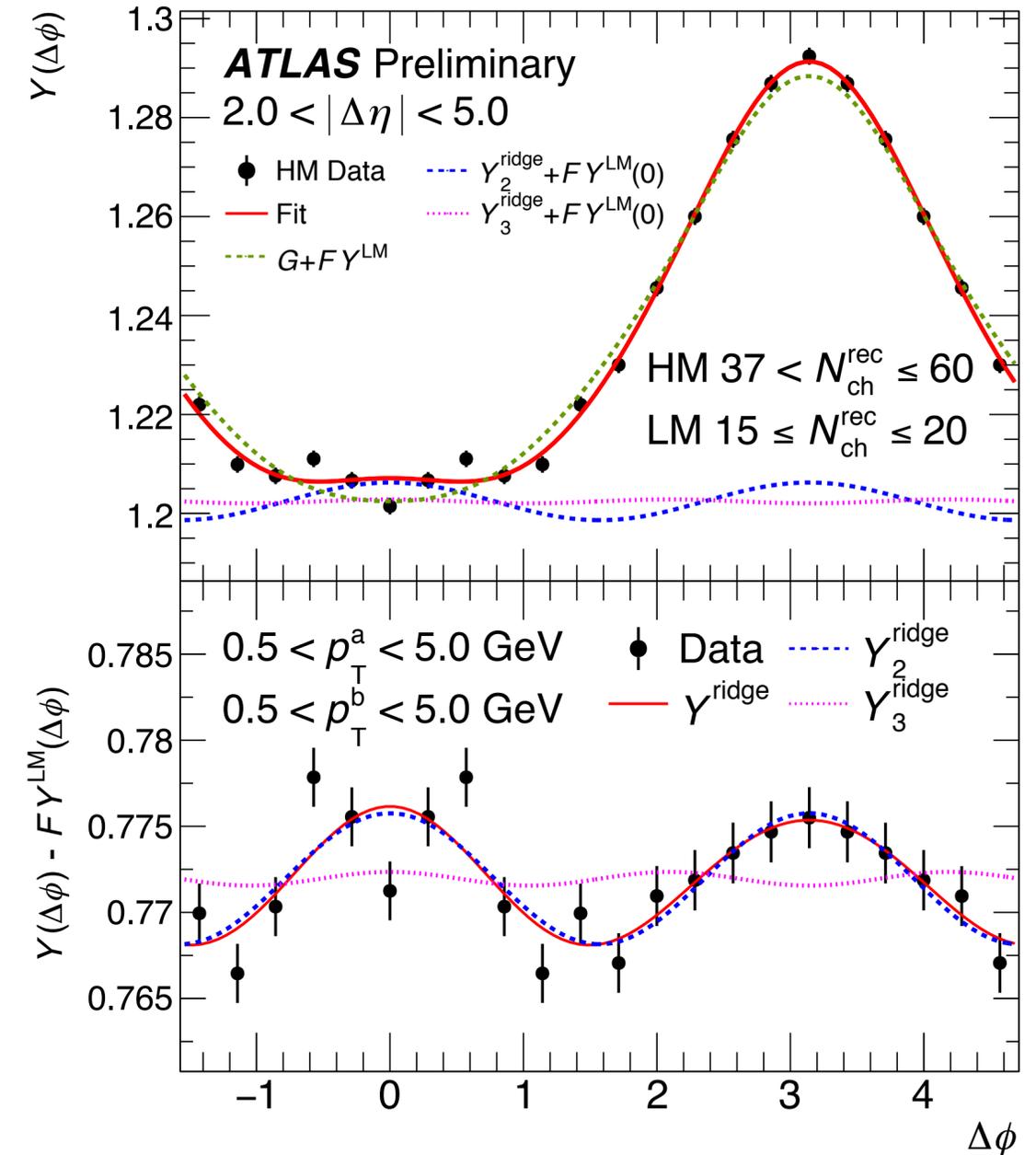
$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV, 0nXn

$\Sigma_Y \Delta\eta > 2.5, \Sigma_A \Delta\eta < 3$

$30 < N_{ch}^{rec} \leq 37$

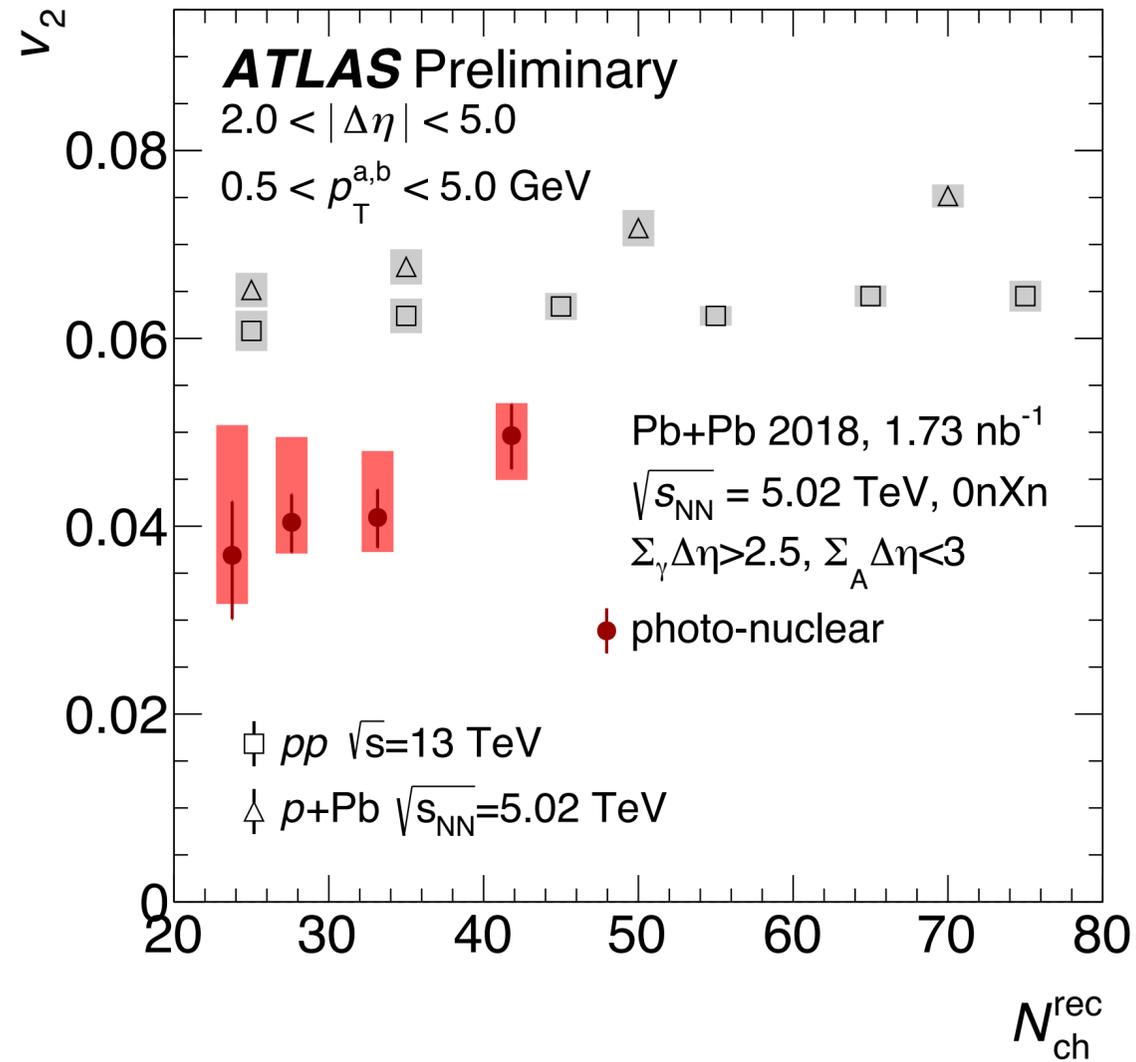


Similar structures in 2-D correlation function as in hadronic collisions!

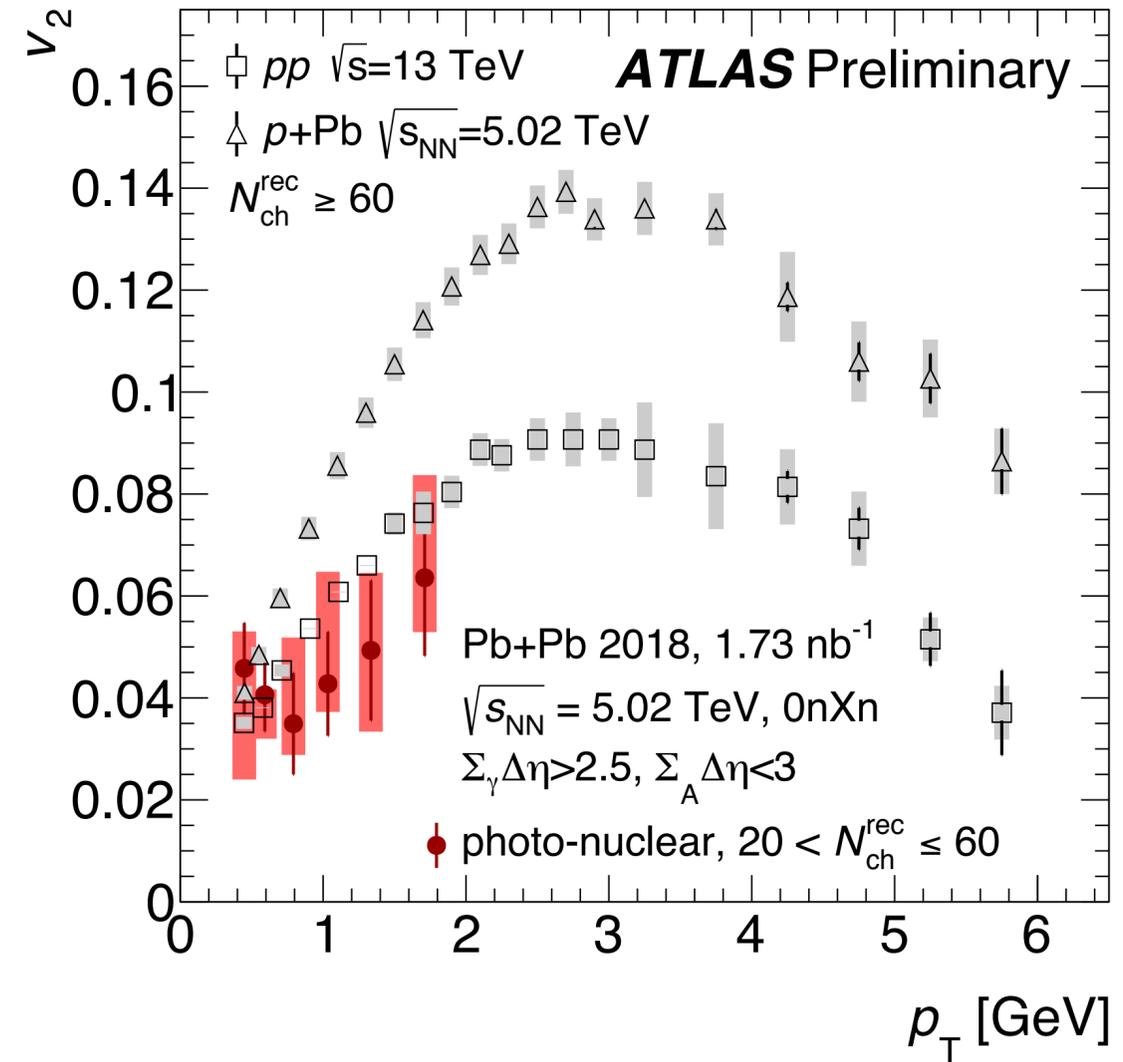


Near-side enhancement in HM events - v_{22} signal extracted via template fit (non-flow subtraction)

v_2 in photo-nuclear events

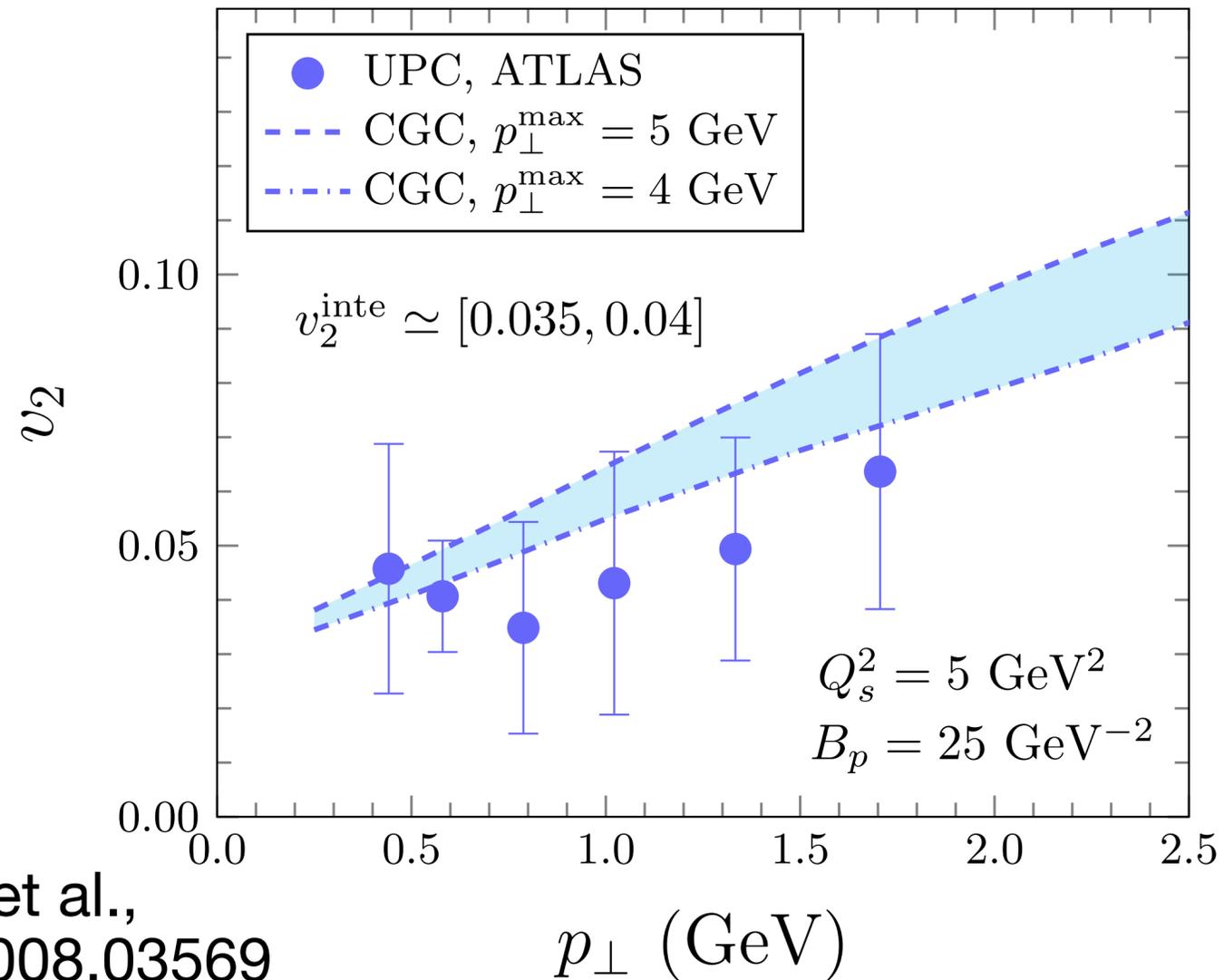


p_T -integrated $v_2 \sim 4\%$, weaker than that for pp and $p+Pb$ - multiplicity \sim independent

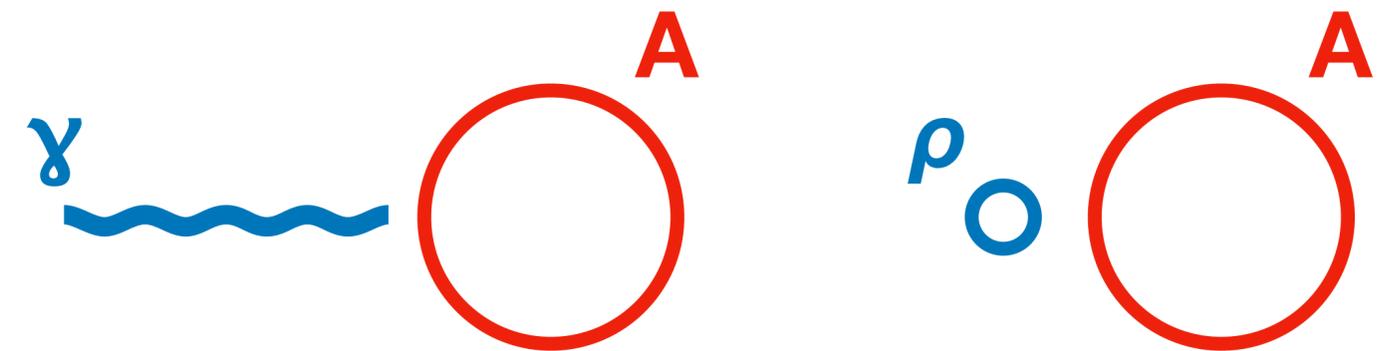


Similar p_T dependence from 0.5-2 GeV, but larger uncertainties

Initial or final state?



Shu et al.,
hep-ph/2008.03569



Vector Meson Dominance picture -
these interactions proceed as,
e.g. $\rho+A$ collisions

Can initialize hydro with $\rho+A$
geometry - but non-trivial
complications from $E_{\rho}-b$
correlation, rapidity boost, etc.

CGC based calculation - use $\gamma+A$
as benchmark for signal in EIC!

Any takers?

What can stop the flow?

- Azimuthal anisotropy signatures:
 - ➔ persist for $p_T \sim 50$ particles in a wide range of $p+Pb$ events! If this arises from final-state interactions, where is the accompanying jet modification?
 - ➔ show a clear mass effect for heavy flavor quarks in pp collisions - can we use future charm and bottom studies to separate physics mechanisms?
 - ➔ are in photo-nuclear events! Is this a testbed for collectivity at the EIC, or is there a final-state interaction picture with an underlying geometry?



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Thank you!

