



Hadronisation studies at the LHC with ALICE

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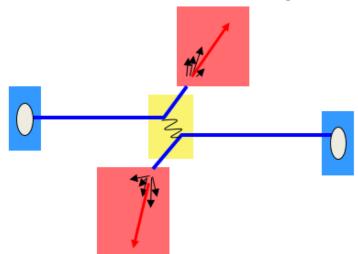
The boring "physics motivations slide"

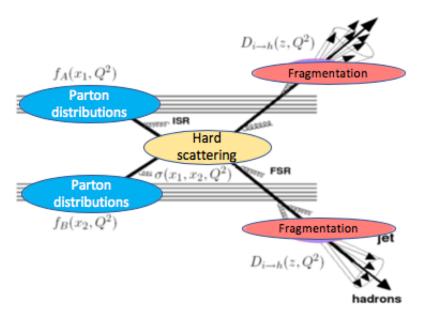




The heavy-flavour production is a test of pQCD

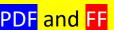
- large quark mass provides hard scale
- pQCD can calculate cross sections down to low p_{T}





$$\frac{d\sigma_{pp}^{h}}{dyd^{2}p_{T}} = K \sum_{abcd} \int \frac{dx_{a}dx_{b}f_{a}(x_{a},Q^{2})f_{b}(x_{b},Q^{2})}{dt} \frac{d\sigma}{dt} (ab \to cd) \frac{D_{h/c}^{0}}{\pi Z_{c}}$$

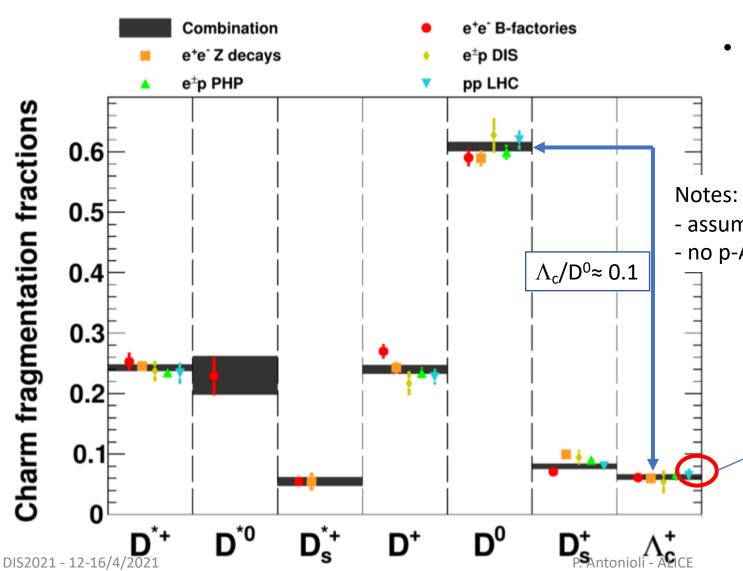
factorization of the QCD problem holds if the non-perturbative part can be "captured" in universal PDF and FF











- global analysis that include e⁺e⁻ (B factories and LEP), e[±]p (HERA)and pp (LHC) data
- very nice agreement across collision systems

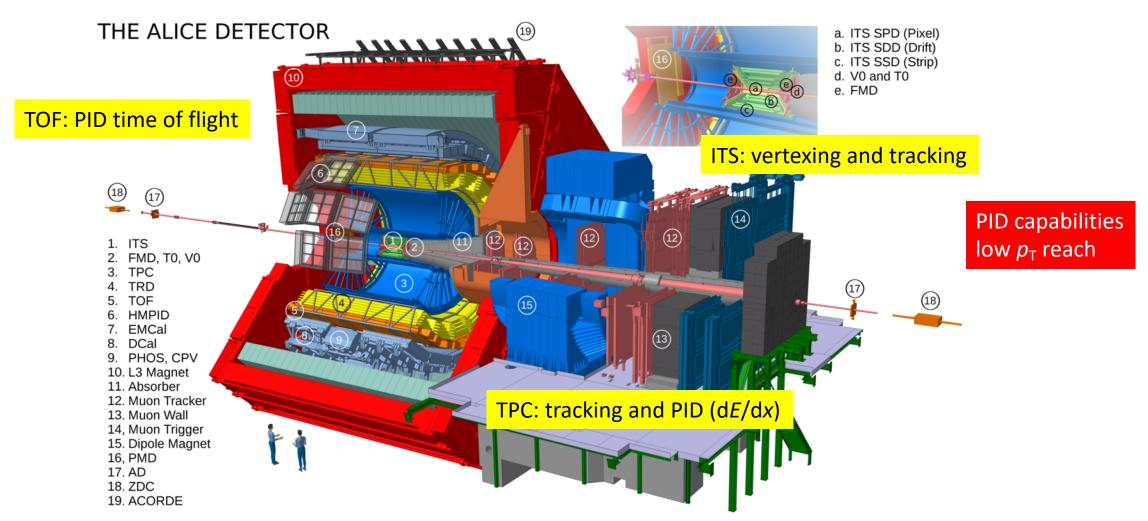
- assumptions on Ω_c and Ξ_c (based on light flavour sector)
- no p-A $/\pi$ -A measurements included

2015 analysis, only LHCb $\Lambda_{\rm c}$ measurement available at LHC for baryons Nucl. Phys. B871 (2013) 1

So... fragmentation is well understood....

ALICE detector can help for hadronization studies!





- charmed baryons studied in the central barrel |y|<0.5 in pp
- complementary to LHCb

Data samples and c-baryons @ALICE [RUN 2]



RUN 1 & 2

RUN 2

System	Year(s)	\sqrt{s}_{NN} (TeV)	L _{int}
	2010,2011	2.76	~75 μb⁻¹
Pb—Pb	2015	5.02	~0.25 nb ⁻¹
	2018	5.02	~0.55 nb ⁻¹
Xe—Xe	2017	5.44	~0.3 µb⁻¹
p—Pb	2013	5.02	~15 nb ⁻¹
	2016	5.02, 8.16	~3 nb ⁻¹ ; ~25 nb ⁻¹
рр	2009-2013	0.9, 2.76, 7, 8	~200 μb ⁻¹ ; ~100 nb ⁻¹ ;
			~1.5 pb ⁻¹ ; ~2.5 pb ⁻¹
	2015,2017	5.02	~1.3 pb ⁻¹
	2015-2018	13	~36 pb ⁻¹

$$D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+; D^+ \rightarrow K^-\pi^+\pi^+; D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0\pi^+ \rightarrow K^-\pi^+\pi^+;$$
 $D_s^+ \rightarrow \varphi\pi^+ \rightarrow K^-K^+\pi^+$ (fully reconstructed hadronic decays)

$$\Lambda_c^+ \to p K^- \pi^+; \quad \Lambda_c^+ \to p K^0_s$$

$$\Sigma_c^{0,++} \to \Lambda_c^+ + \pi^{-,+}$$

$$\Xi_c^0 \to \Xi^- \pi^+, \quad \Xi_c^+ \to \Xi^- \pi^+ \pi^+$$
(fully reconstructed hadronic decays)

$$\Lambda_c^+ \to e^+ \Lambda \nu_e$$
; $\Xi_c^0 \to e^+ \Xi^- \nu_e$ (partially reconstructed semi-leptonic decays)

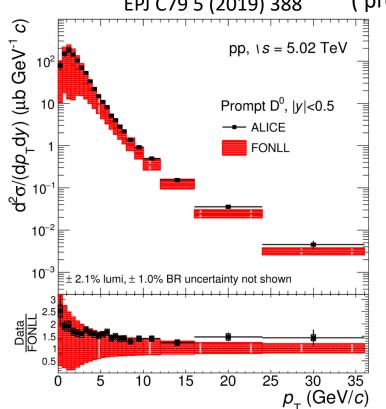
- charmed mesons
- charmed baryons
 - →baryon-to-meson ratio sensitive to hadronization
 - $\rightarrow \Lambda/K^0$ ratio gives "a LF reference"

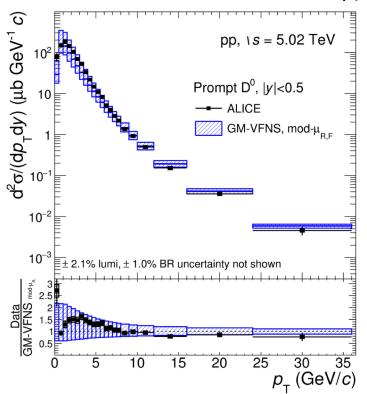
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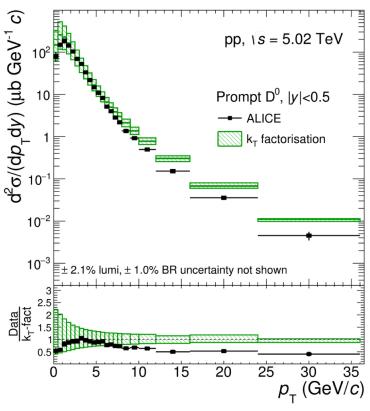




previous measurements at 7 TeV in backup) EPJ C79 5 (2019) 388



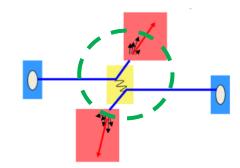




wide p_T range / cross section measured down to p_T = 0 for D⁰ meson. Comparison with:

- FONLL (Fixed Order with Next to Leading Log resummation): Cacciari et al., JHEP 1210 (2012) 137
- GM-VFNS (General Mass Variable Flavour Number Scheme): Kniehl et al., EPJ C72 (2012) 2082
- $k_{\rm T}$ factorization (LO accuracy + unintegrated gluon distribution function): Maciula, Szczurek, PRD 87 (2013) 094022)

FONLL: describes data within uncertainties, central value below data GM-VNFS: the same, (updated calculations: central value below data) DIS2021 - 12-16/4/2 k_T : data overstimated above $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV/}c$



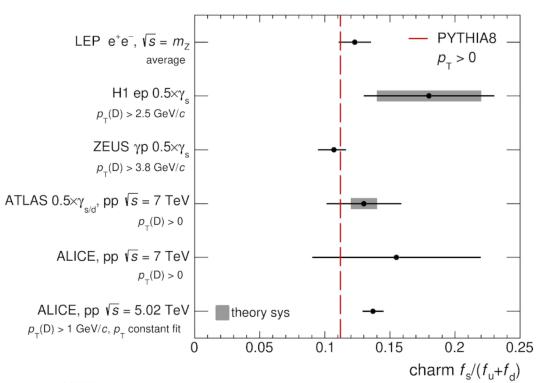
non-prompt component: pp at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =5.02 TeV

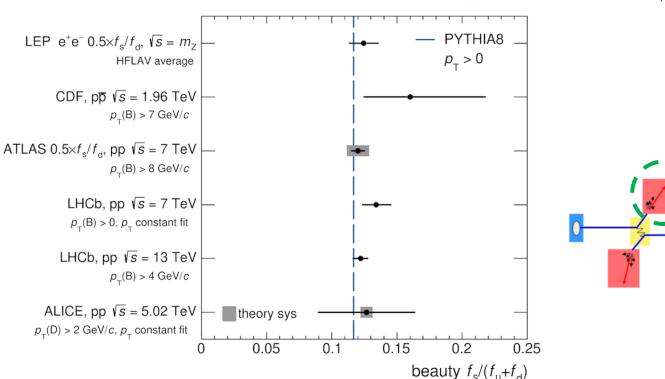
arXiv:2102.13601 (submitted to JHEP)

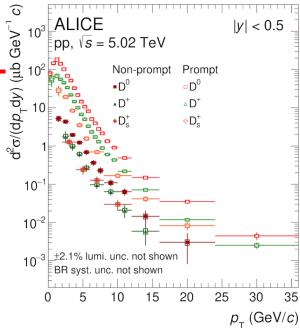
Recently on arXiv

- Measurement of non-prompt component using ML and data-driven techniques
- $f_s / (f_u + f_d)$ fragmentation fractions of HQ to strange/non-strange mesons compatible with previous measurements (different s and collision system)
- General agreement with pQCD calculations (FONLL/GM-VFNS)

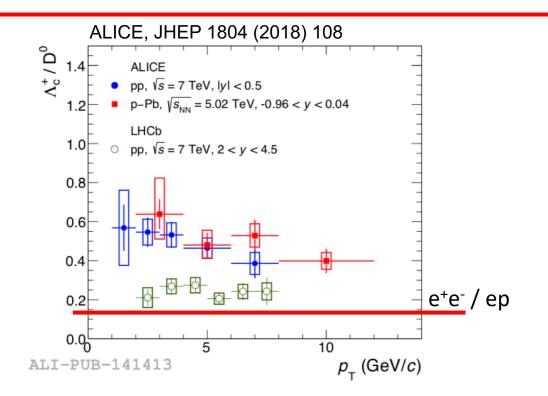
More → F. Grosa talk this morning



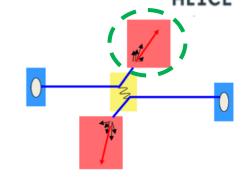




Baryon-to-meson ratio as a probe of our understanding of hadronization, but...



	$\Lambda_c^+/D^0 \pm stat. \pm syst.$	System	\sqrt{s} (GeV)
CLEO [43]	$0.119 \pm 0.021 \pm 0.019$	ee	10.55
ARGUS [42, 98]	0.127 ± 0.031	ee	10.55
LEP average [80]	$0.113 \pm 0.013 \pm 0.006$	ee	91.2
ZEUS DIS [51]	$0.124 \pm 0.034^{+0.025}_{-0.022}$	ep	320
ZEUS γp, HERA I [49]	$0.220 \pm 0.035^{+0.027}_{-0.037}$	ep	320
ZEUS γp, HERA II [50]	$0.107 \pm 0.018^{+0.009}_{-0.014}$	ep	320



"fragmentation to heavy-flavour baryons is **not** well understood"

- no drastic change between pp and p—Pb
- "tension" with LHCb but at different rapidity + we have now CMS result + LHCb p—Pb result
- "supertension" with e^+e^- and ep results (that are p_T integrated though)

Do the \sqrt{s} and/or the collision system play a role here? Remember $f(b \rightarrow \Lambda_b)$ at Tevatron/LHC vs LEP **Table 85.1:** Fragmentation fractions of b quarks into weakly-decaying b-hadron species in $Z \to b\bar{b}$ decay, and in $p\bar{p}$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV [26].

b hadron	Fraction at Z[%]	Fraction at $\overline{p}p$ [%]
B^+, B^0	41.2 ± 0.8	34.0 ± 2.1
B_s^0	8.8 ± 1.3	10.1 ± 1.5
b baryons	8.9 ± 1.2	21.8 ± 4.7

http://pdg.lbl.gov/2018/reviews/rpp2018-rev-b-meson-prod-decay.pdf

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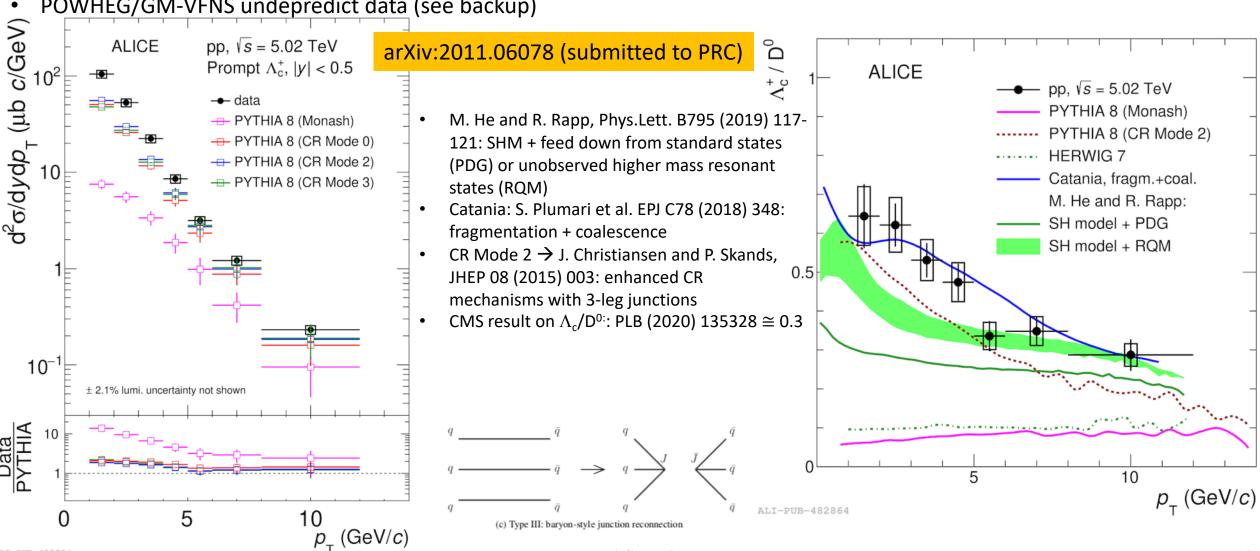
Baryon-to-meson ratio with RUN2 data: Λ_c/D^0 pp at \sqrt{s} =5.02 TeV



arXiv:2011.06078 (submitted to PRL)

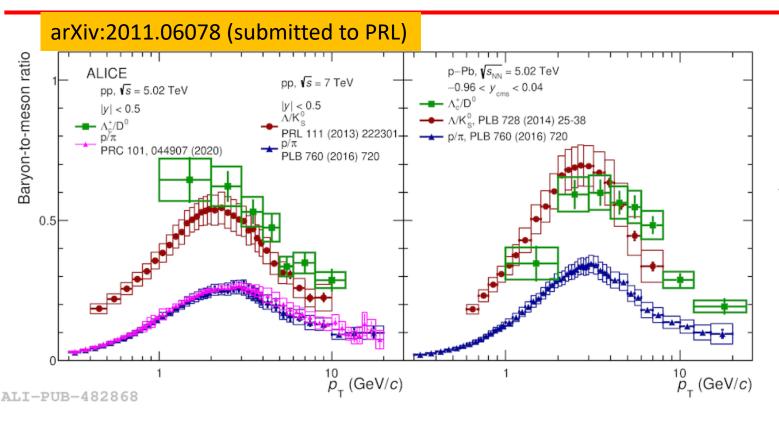
- "anomalous" Λ_c/D^0 ratio seen in RUN1 fully confirmed
- Models with enhanced CR mechanisms closer to data
- POWHEG/GM-VFNS undepredict data (see backup)

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and some common pattern emerges between light-flavour and heavy-flavour hadronisation

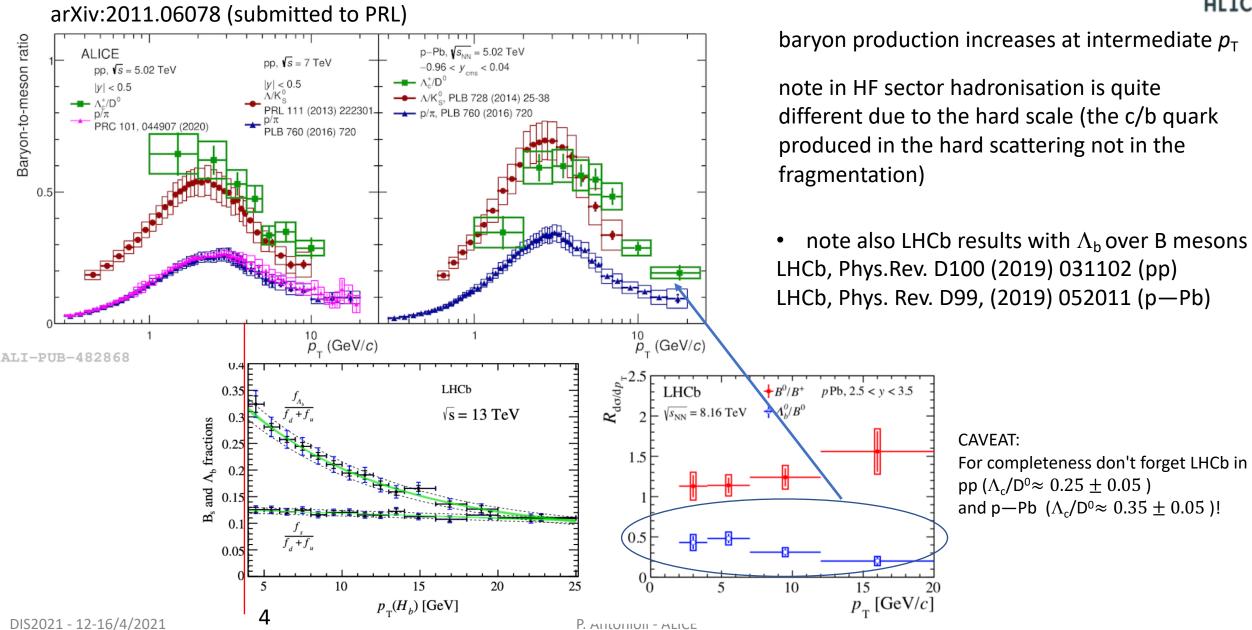




baryon production increases at intermediate p_{T}

note in HF sector hadronisation is quite different due to the hard scale (the c/b quark produced in the hard scattering not in the fragmentation)

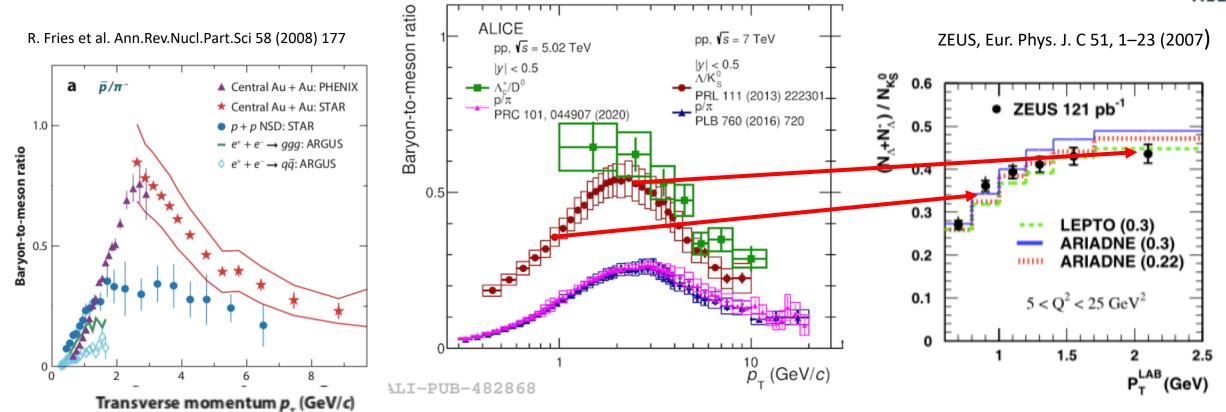




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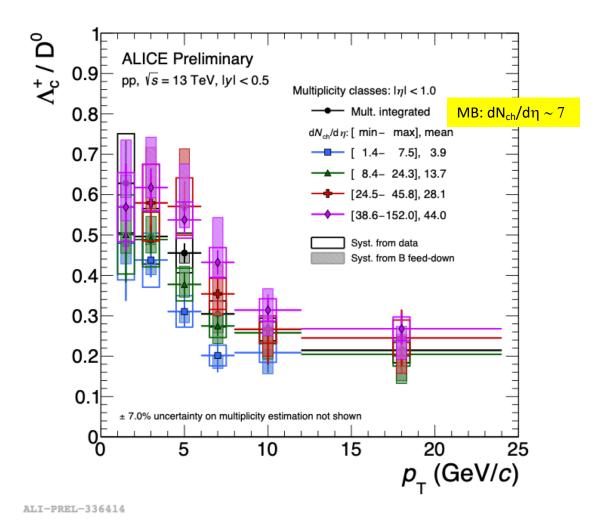




- in e⁺e⁻ (ep) baryon-to-meson measurements limited to p_T <2 (2.5) GeV/c
- in vacuum, fragmentation function (Albino et al., NPB 803 (2008)) predicts < 0.25 for baryon-to-meson ratio
- larger values seen <u>already at HERA</u> in strange sector



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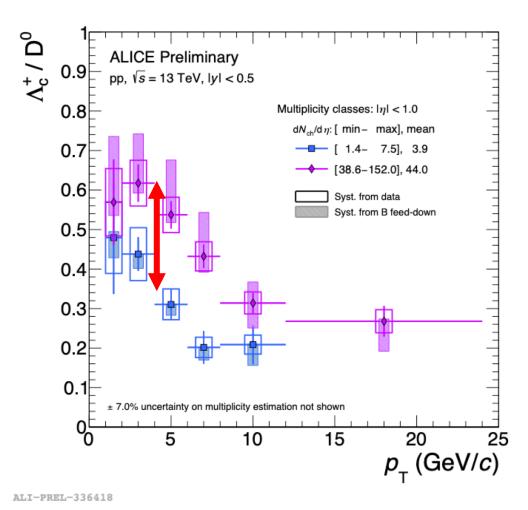


• number of "tracklets" reconstructed in the Silicon Pixel as multiplicity estimator

pp at \sqrt{s} = 13 TeV: a more differential study on final state (multiplicity)



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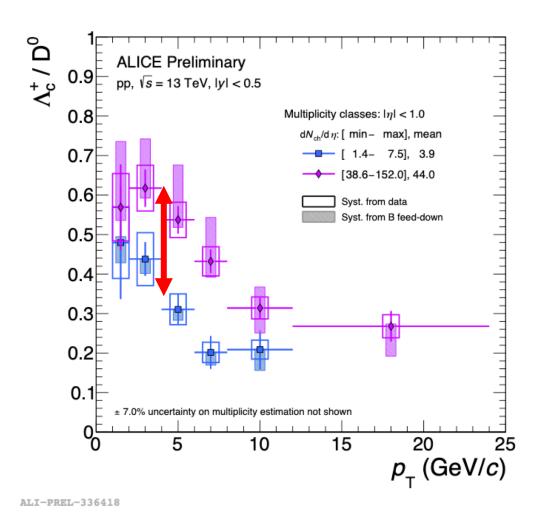


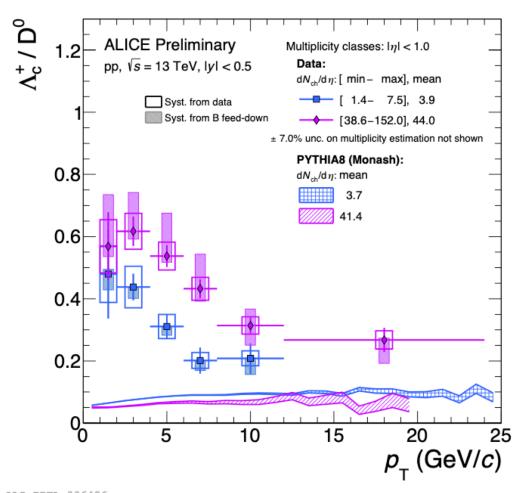
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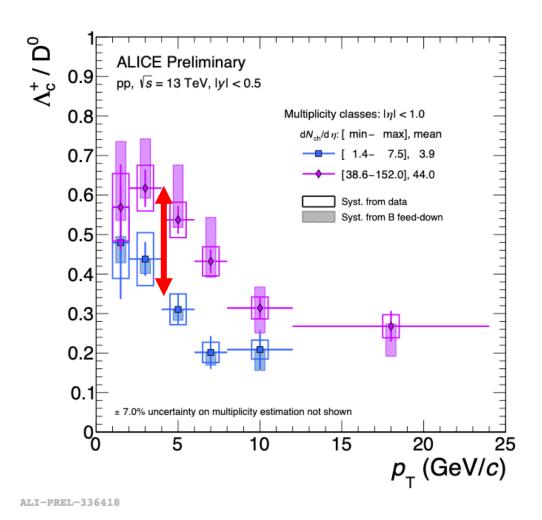
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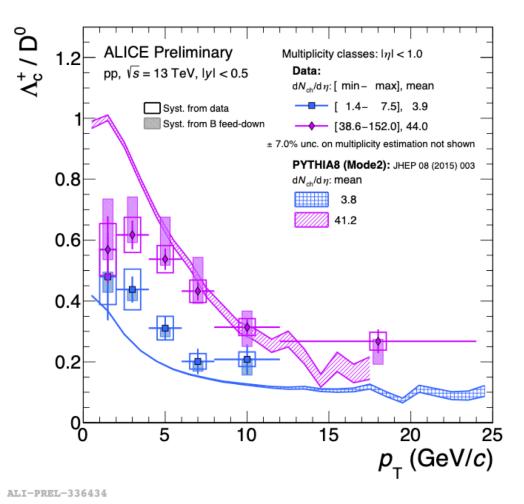
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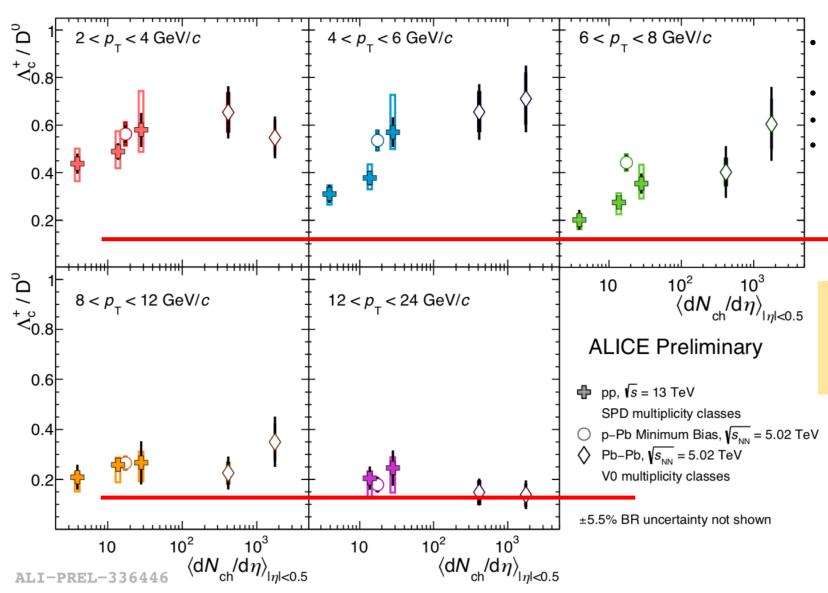


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- Monash tune doesn't reproduce the pattern
- enhanced CR mechanisms shows much better agreement

Λ_c/D^0 vs multiplicity across colliding systems





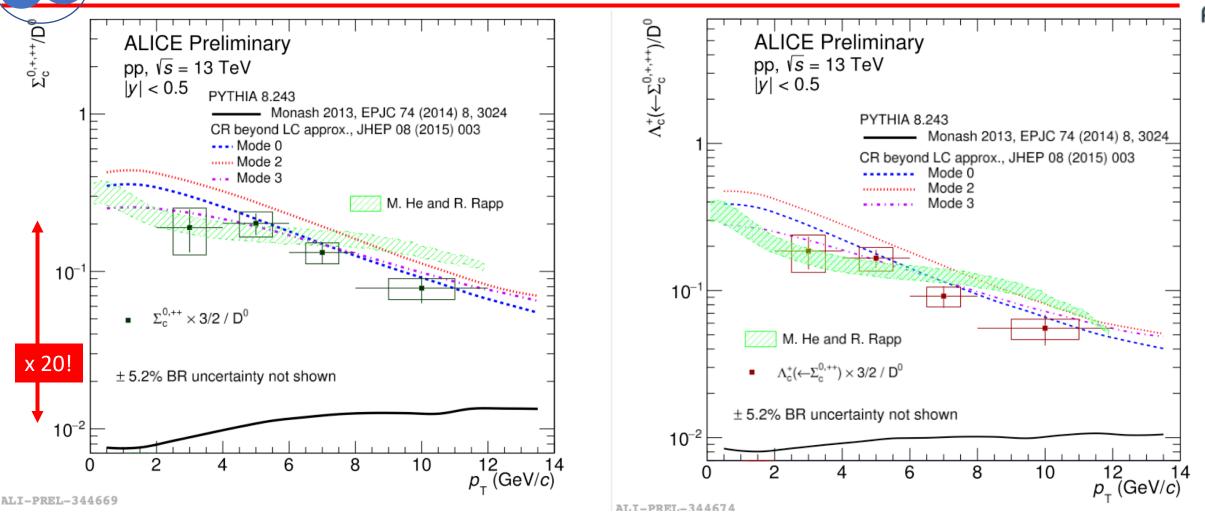
- increase at intermediate p_T from pp to Pb—Pb multiplicities
- ratio at highest pp multiplicities similar to Pb—Pb
- "distance" from e^+e^- dependent on p_T
- at high p_T ratio closer to e^+e^- data

CAVEAT:

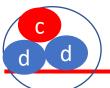
- other p_T -dependent effects might be present here (e.g. radial flow)
- CNM effects



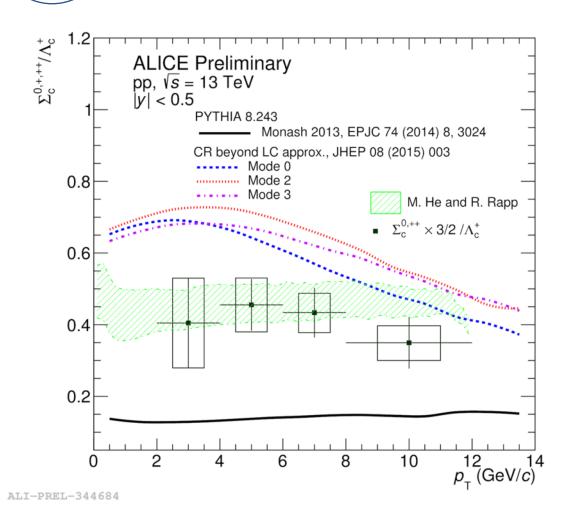
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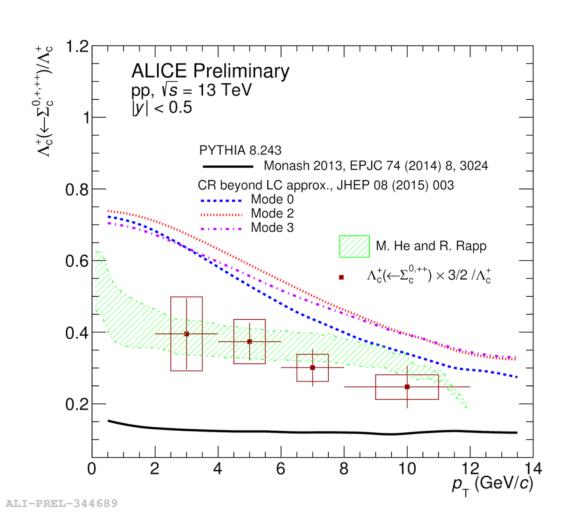


PYTHIA (enhanced CR) and RQM models describe baryon-to-meson ratios







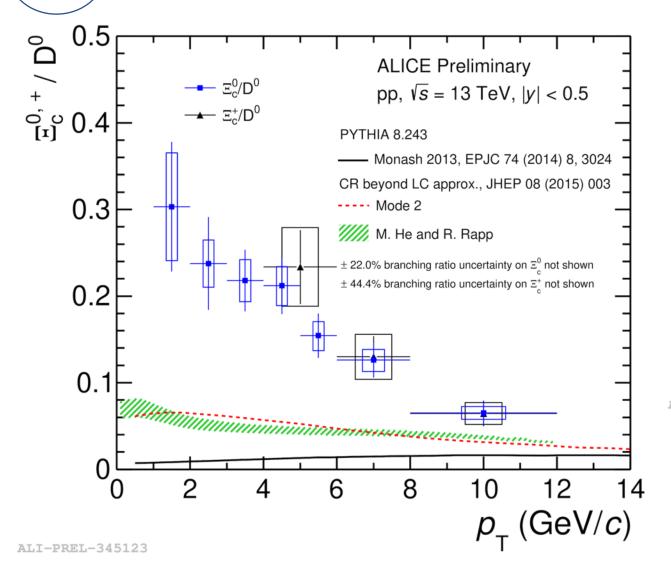


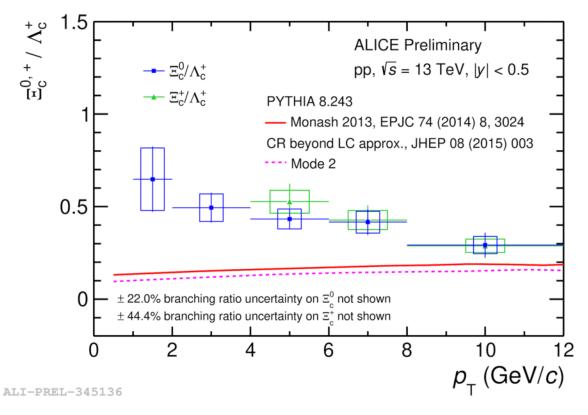
- PYTHIA (with enhanced CR or not) doesn't describe baryon-to-baryon ratios
- \approx 40% Λ_c is feeddown from Σ_c , not all "additional" Λ_c production comes from Σ_c



$\Xi_{\rm c}^{0,+}$ at $\sqrt{s}=13~{ m TeV}$ - pp







- Models don't describe Ξ_c production
- stronger p_T dependence of baryon-to-meson ratio seen on data

Conclusion(s) # 1: quick summary and outlook



- charmed **baryons** @LHC are **a surprise**: from a pp baseline to search an enhancement in Pb--Pb, we found something quite different between pp and e⁺e⁻ /ep. Collision system or collision energy makes the difference?
- dependence of the fragmentation fractions from p_T now firmly established, clear evidence in pp and p--Pb collisions, by different LHC Collaborations
- intriguing similarities among LF and HF families on the baryon-to-meson ratio
- ALICE results with three different c-baryons and the access to low p_T region allow us to test and set constraints on different hadronization ("baryonization"?) models in the LHC "parton rich environment"
- Additional measurements and channels/baryons will provide soon further additional key pieces of information (including cc cross section).

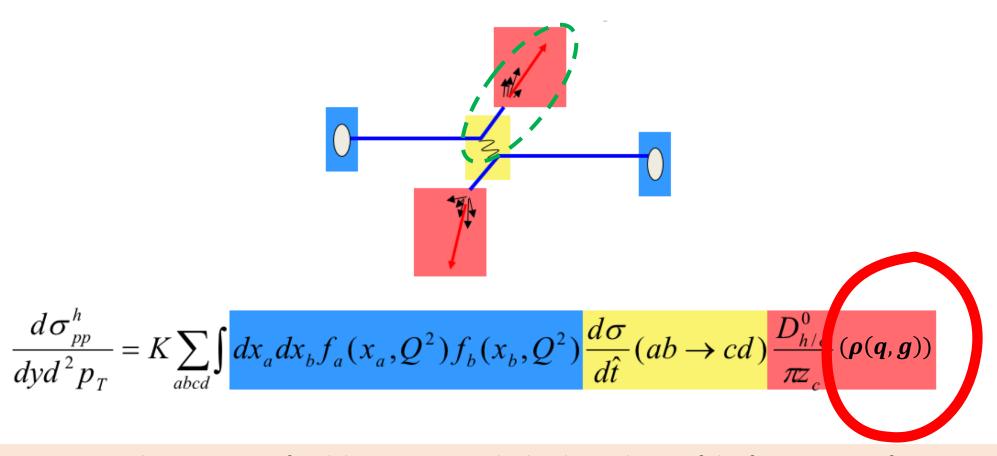
Upcoming results at Summer conferences!



Conclusion # 2: the revisited surprising "physics motivations slide"?







The LHC is a perfect laboratory to study the dependence of the fragmentation functions from the surrounding parton rich environment



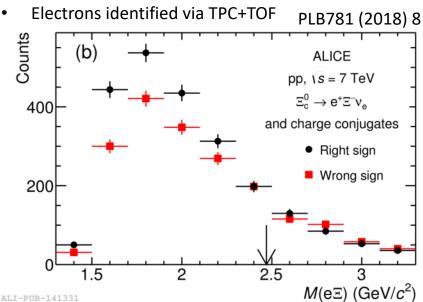
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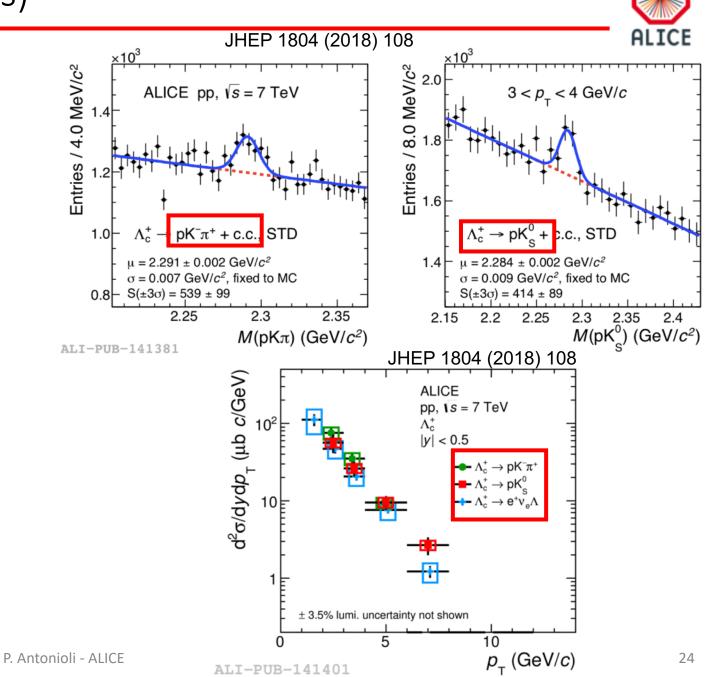
$\Lambda_{\rm c}$ and $\Xi_{\rm c}^{0}$ baryons (RUN1 results)

- $\Lambda_{\rm c}$ hadronic decays
- Two channels → Cross check
- No vertex selection (cτ=60 μm)

pp √s=7 TeV

- Semileptonic decays for Λ_c + e Ξ_c 0
- Candidates identified working on $e^+\Lambda$ and $e^+\Xi^-$ pairs
- Background subtracted using wrong-sign pairs



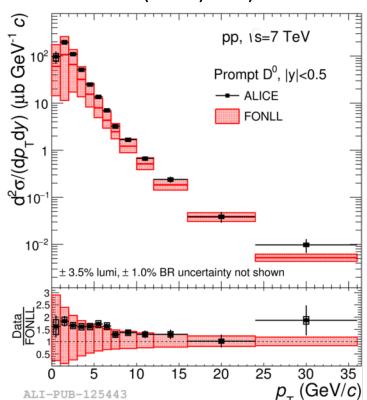


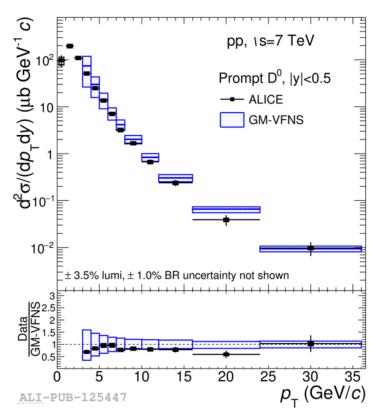
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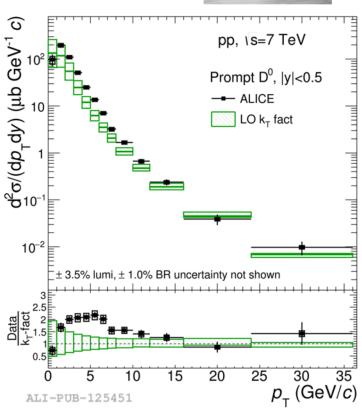




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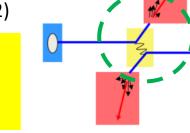






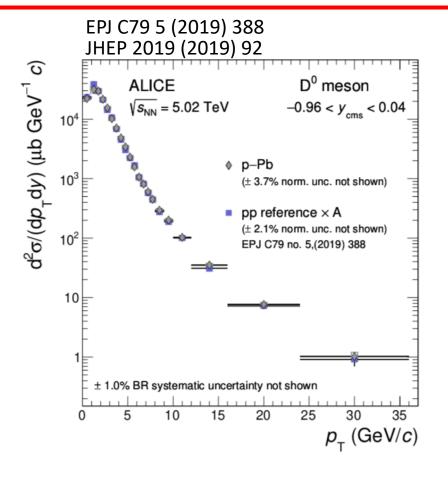
wide p_T range / cross section measured down to p_T = 0 for D⁰ meson. Comparison with:

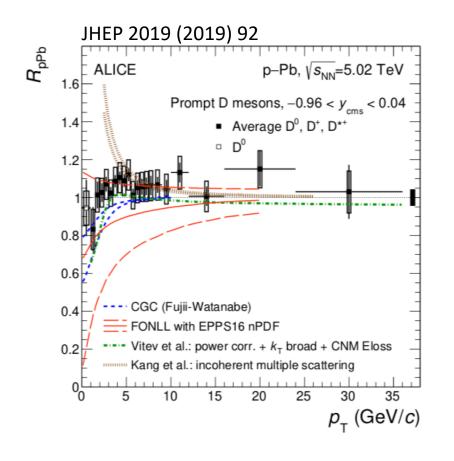
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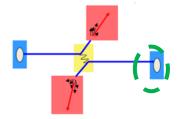
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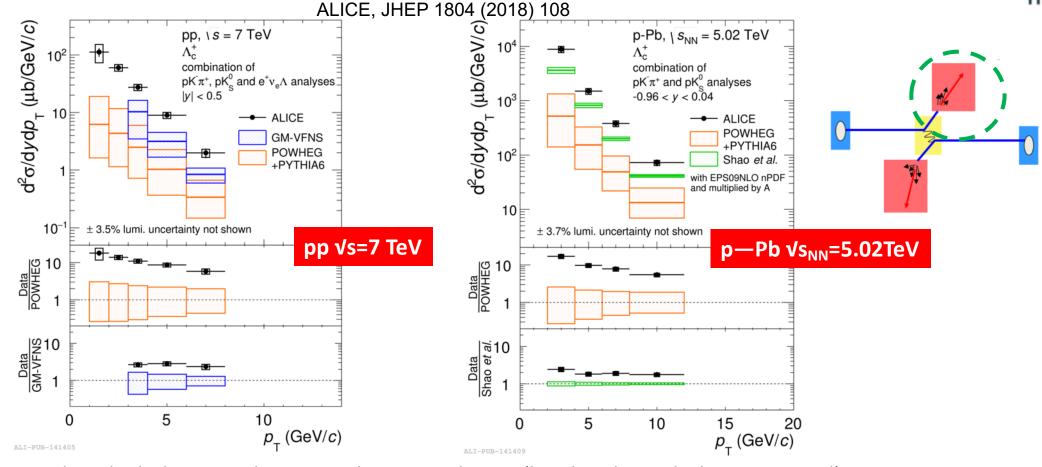
$$R_{\text{pPb}} = \frac{1}{A} \frac{d^2 \sigma_{\text{p-Pb}}^{\text{prompt D}} / dp_{\text{T}} dy}{d^2 \sigma_{\text{pp}}^{\text{prompt D}} / dp_{\text{T}} dy}$$



- R_{pPb} (nuclear modification factor) consistent with unity
- data set constraints to models that include CNM effects (note: "QGP in p-Pb" predicted trends not shown here)

First ALICE $\Lambda_{\rm c}$ measurements (RUN 1)





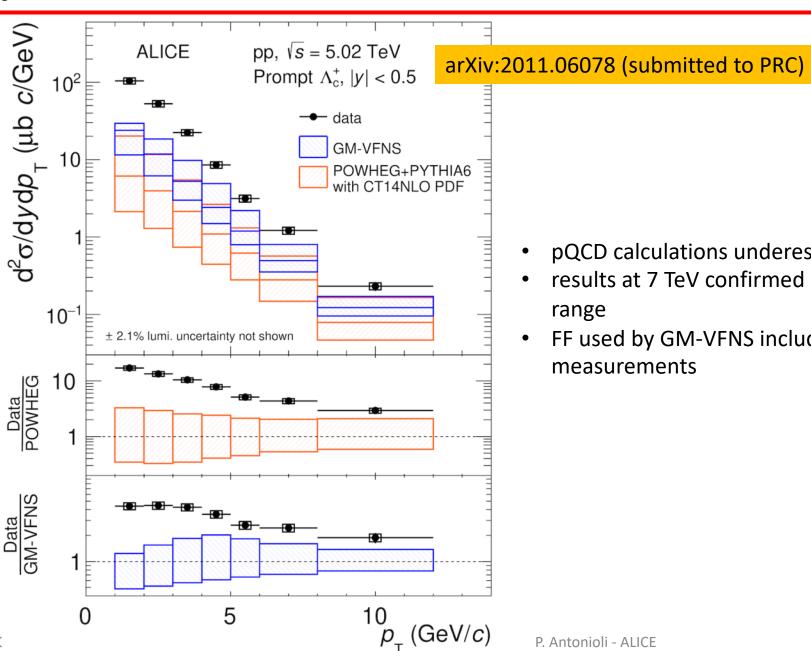
- pQCD based calculations underestimate baryon production (but they do good job on D mesons!)
- note: for GM-VFNS FF derived from e⁺e⁻ data (Knihel et al., PRD 74 (2006) 037502)
- same considerations of comparisons with models hold in p-Pb collisions
- Shao et al. (EPJC 77 (2017) 1) model based on pp LHC data (LHCb) + nPDF

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Λ_c (RUN2 results): pp at \sqrt{s} =5.02 TeV

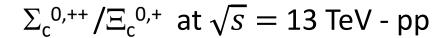


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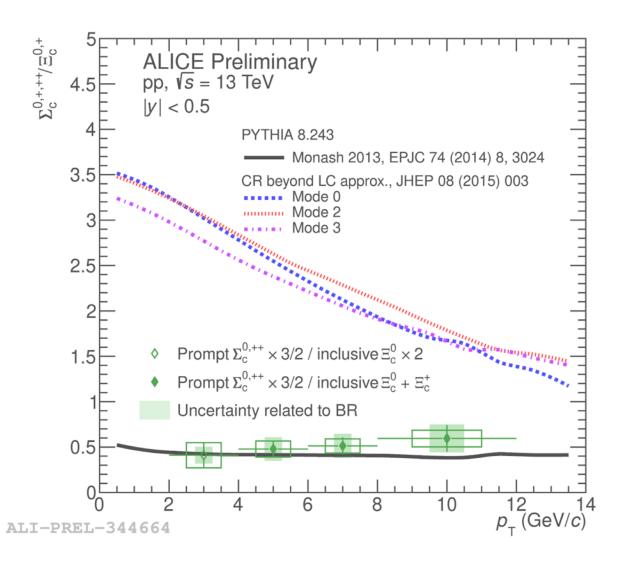


- pQCD calculations underestimate data especially at low p_T
- results at 7 TeV confirmed with larger statistics and extened p_T range
- FF used by GM-VFNS includes new input from Belle measurements

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- given PYTHIA8 Monash fails to predict both baryons,
 by "chance" (?), ratio consistent with data
- PYTHIA8 with enhanced CR predicts Σ_c not Ξ_c so fails to describe this ratio
- similar mass but different quark content: different process?