



Small system workshop

Future opportunities of collectivity in small systems at LHC

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New opportunities at LHC

Near and far future

- Run-3 + Run-4: Precision era
 - High lumi. LHC
 - Major upgrades on all experiments
 - ALICE: triggerless experiment, ITS+MFT...
 - ATLAS+CMS: timing layer (PID!!!), ...
 - ... in addition of some bonus (maybe?) from LHC: O-O run

- Run-5: Proposal for lighter ions



Proposed run scheduled

	Year	Systems, time, L_{int}	Total per Run (3 and 4)
R U N 3	2021 (4 weeks)	Pb-Pb 5.5 TeV, 3 weeks pp 5.5 TeV, 1 week	Pb-Pb: 6.2/nb ALICE/ATLAS/CMS, 1/nb LHCb p-Pb: 0.6/pb ATLAS/CMS, 0.3/pb ALICE/LHCb pp 5.5: 300/pb ATLAS/CMS, 25/pb LHCb, 3/pb ALICE pp 8.8: 100/pb ATLAS/CMS/LHCb, 1.5/pb ALICE O-O: 500/ μ b p-O: 200/ μ b
	2022 (6 weeks)	p-O + O-O 7 TeV, 1 week Pb-Pb 5.5 TeV, 5 weeks	
	2023 (4 weeks)	pp 8.8 TeV, few days p-Pb 8.8 TeV, 3.x weeks	
LS3		ATLAS/CMS upgrades, ALICE: ITS3? FoCal?	
R U N 4	2027 (4 weeks)	Pb-Pb 5.5 TeV, 3 weeks pp 5.5 TeV, 1 week	Pb-Pb: 6.8/nb, ALICE/ATLAS/CMS, 1/nb LHCb p-Pb: 0.6/pb ATLAS/CMS, 0.3/pb ALICE/LHCb pp 5.5: 300/pb ATLAS/CMS, 25/pb LHCb, 3/pb ALICE pp 8.8: 100/pb ATLAS/CMS/LHCb, 1.5/pb ALICE
	2028 (6 weeks)	Pb-Pb 5.5 TeV, 2 weeks p-Pb 8.8 TeV, 3.x weeks pp 8.8 TeV, few days	
	2029 (4 weeks)	Pb-Pb 5.5 TeV, 4 weeks	
LS4			
R U N 5		Intermediate AA, 11 weeks pp reference, 1 week	E.g. Ar-Ar 3-9/pb (optimal species to be defined)

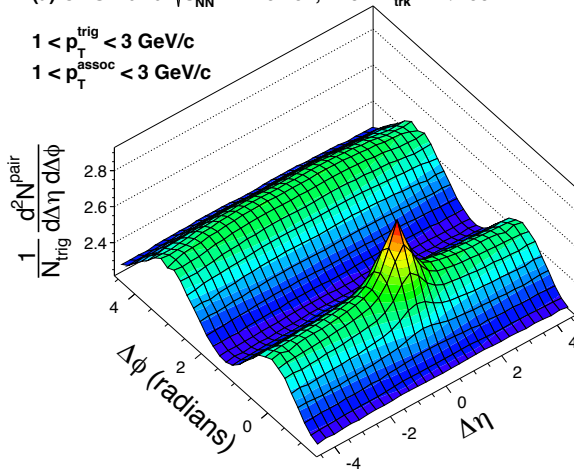
This is only a proposal from a working group – none of this numbers are granted

Why do we need this?

- Discovery of the ridge
 - Long range correlation
 - Similar to Pb-Pb collision

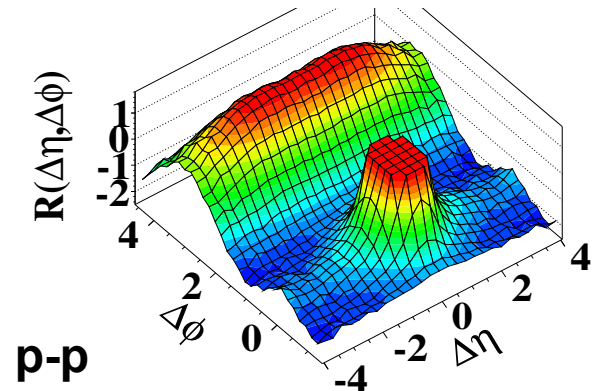
(a) CMS PbPb $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV, $220 \leq N_{trk}^{offline} < 260$

$1 < p_T^{trig} < 3$ GeV/c
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CMS $N \geq 110$, $1.0 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 3.0 \text{ GeV}/c$



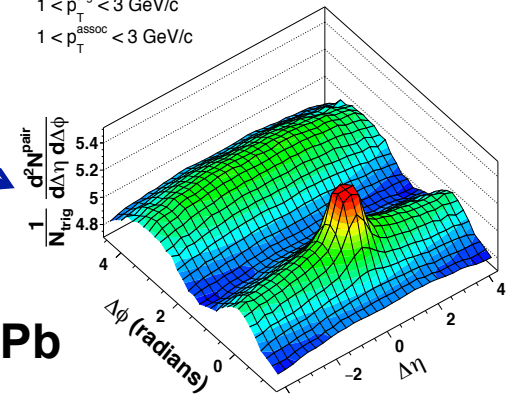
p-p

Ridge observed in small systems

CMS Preliminary

pPb 8.16 TeV, $330 \leq N_{trk}^{offline} < 360$

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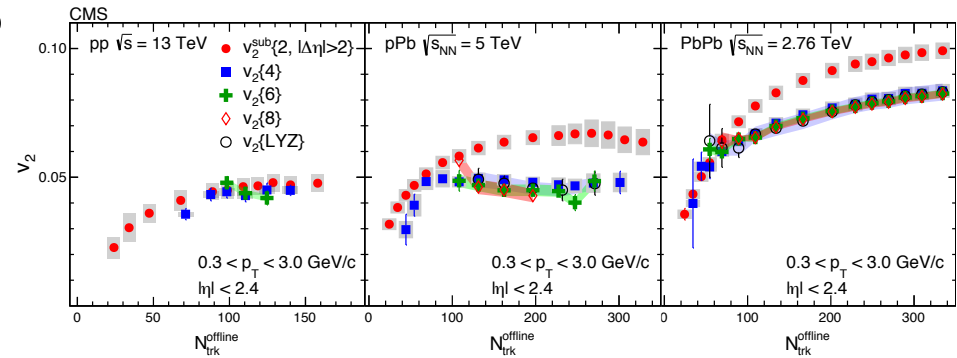
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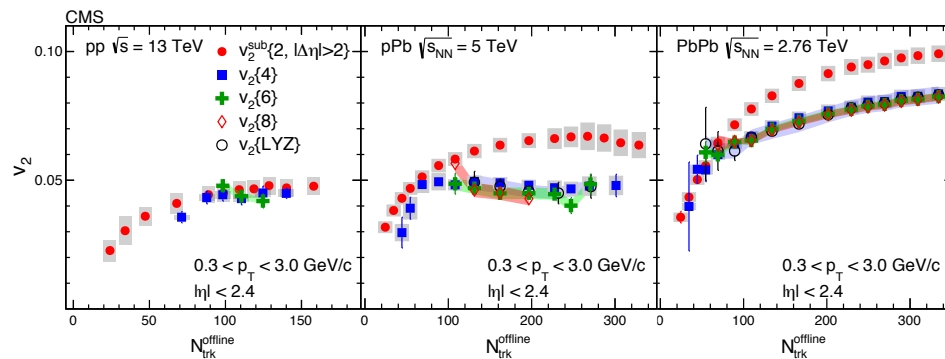
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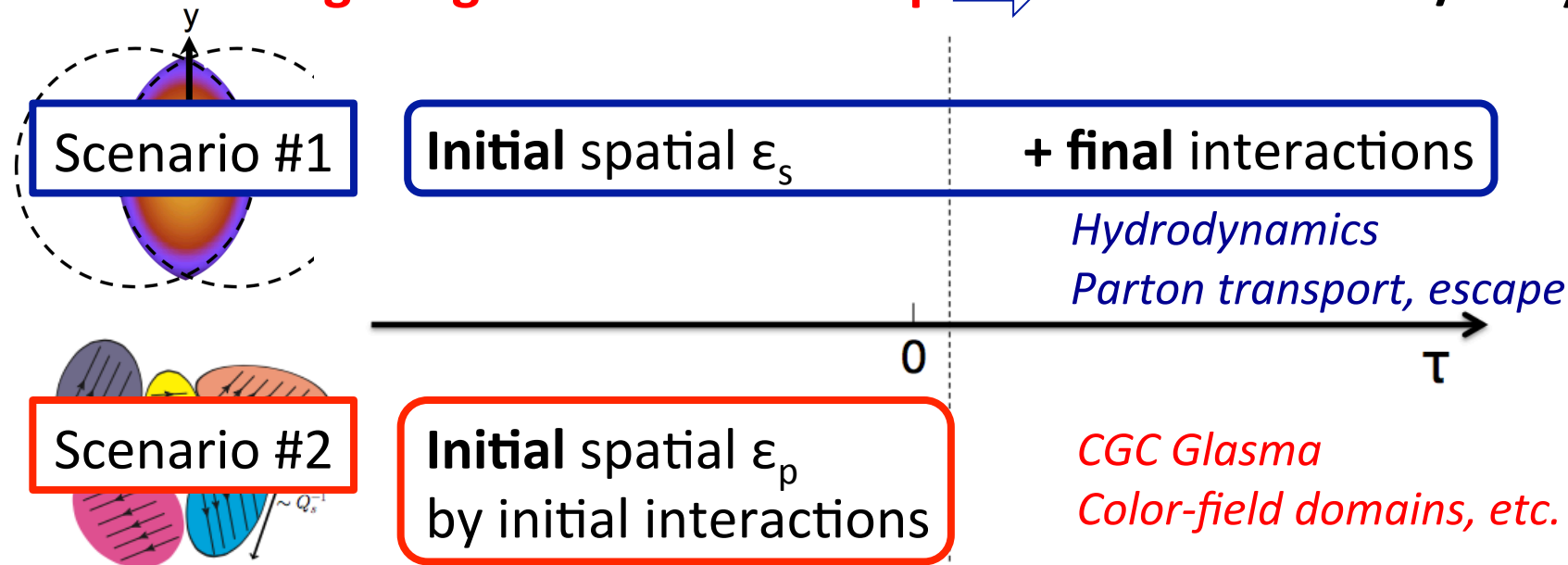
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➤ How do we interpret that?

Observed long-range correlations in η \Rightarrow Rooted in **initial/early stage**





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- Common paradigm? Universality?

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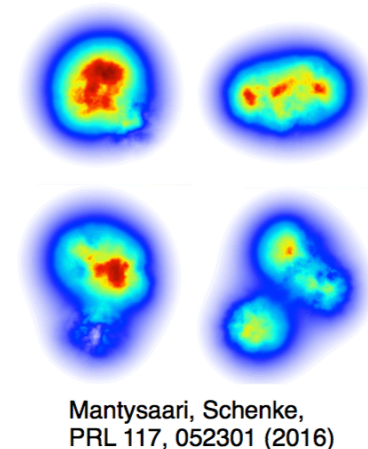
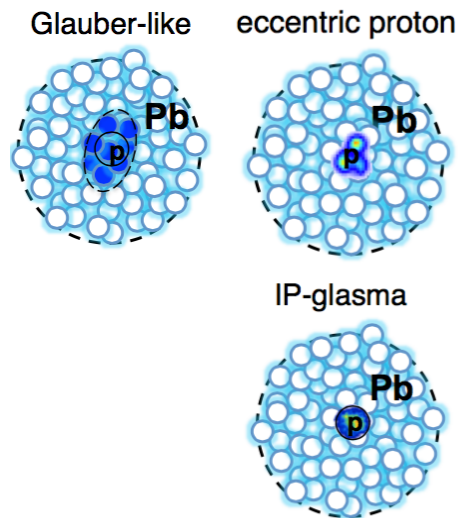
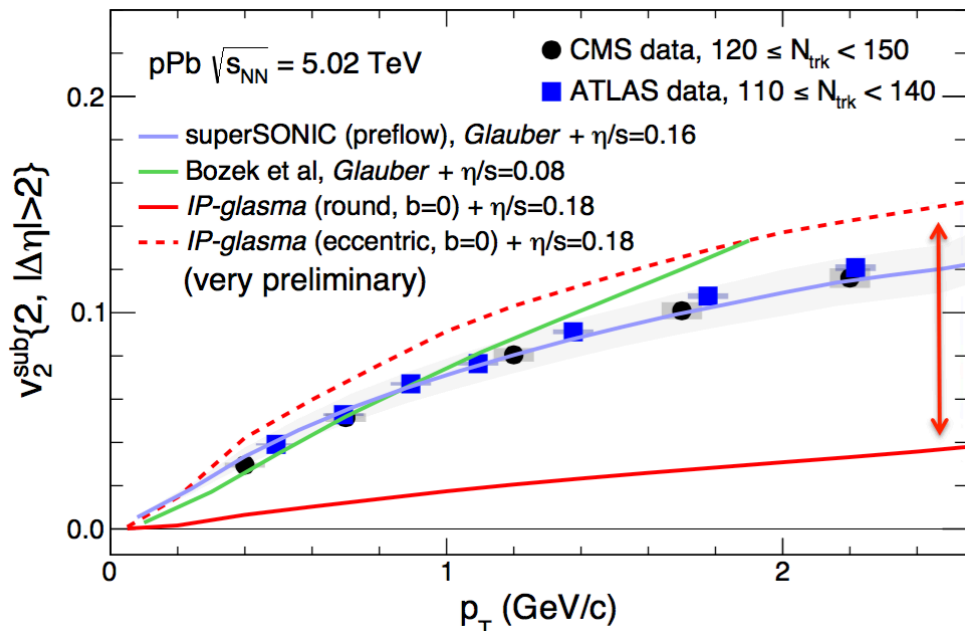
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Disclaimer: I am not intending to answer all these questions here.
Today I will focus and what LHC has to offer and what can be done

What are the driving factors?

➤ Initial geometry and its fluctuations



- Medium response/transport coefficient (if any?)
- “background” – so-called non-flow also matters!

A lot of studies/measurements have already been carried out to understand all this aspects

State of the art

Observable or effect	Pb–Pb	p–Pb (high mult.)	pp (high mult.)
Low p_T spectra (“radial flow”)	yes	yes	yes
Intermediate p_T (“recombination”)	yes	yes	yes
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Statistical model	$\gamma_s^{\text{GC}} = 1, 10\text{--}30\%$	$\gamma_s^{\text{GC}} \approx 1, 20\text{--}40\%$	MB: $\gamma_s^{\text{C}} < 1, 20\text{--}40\%$
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Characteristic mass dependence	$v_2\text{--}v_5$	v_2, v_3	v_2
Directed flow (from spectators)	yes	no	no
Charge-dependent correlations	yes	yes	yes
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Non-linear flow modes	up to v_6	not measured	not measured
Weak η dependence	yes	yes	not measured
Factorization breaking	yes ($n = 2, 3$)	yes ($n = 2, 3$)	not measured
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Still a significant fraction of these observables are lacking of (robust) pre/post-diction

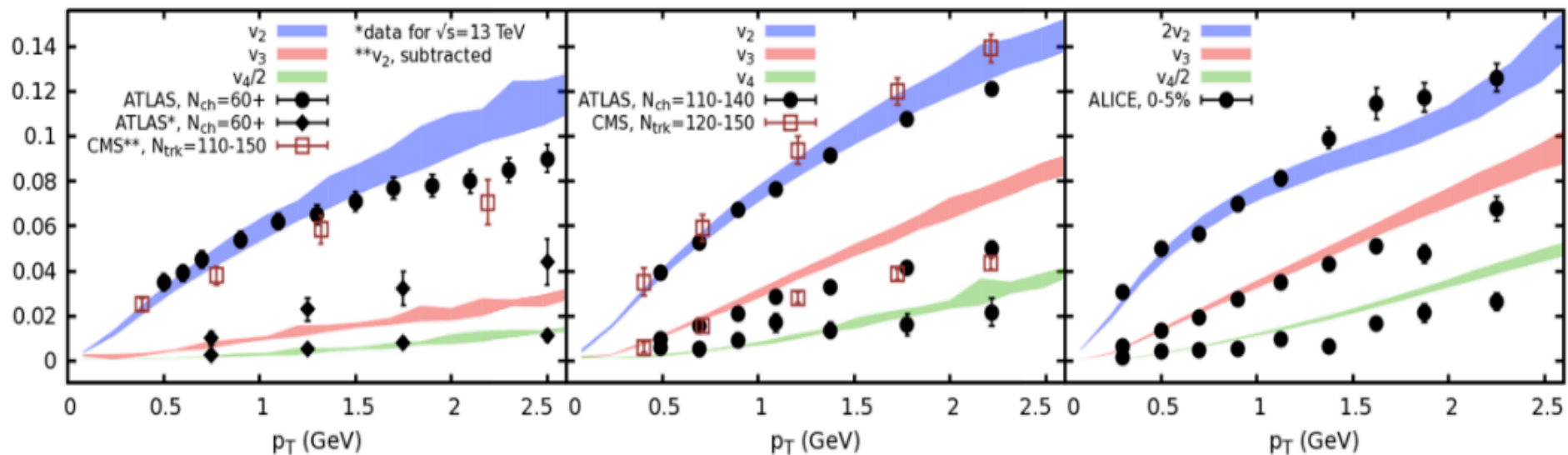
A word on $v_2\{2\}$

- Extensively measured in data at LHC
- Theoretical prediction available for most of the “competitors”
 - One example bellow
- More data won't bring much for this observable only
 - Not forgetting about known experimental ambiguity
 - Systematic and much more precise PID studies still can be performed

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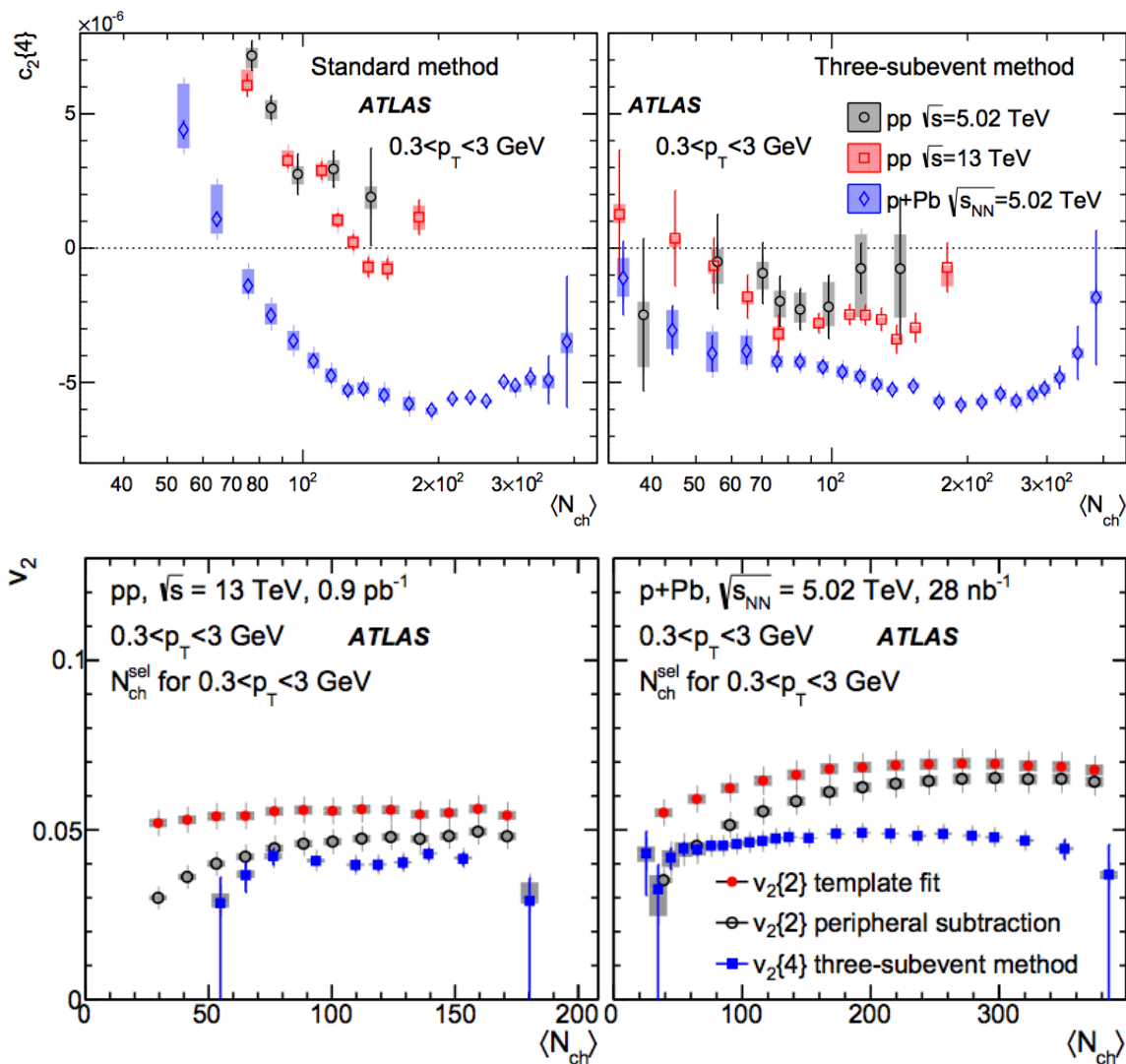


Multi-particle cumulant $c_2(v_2)$ Run 1 + 2 results

- Probe collectivity
 - Golden observable so far

- Sensitive to:
 - IS geometry and fluctuations
 - Flow fluctuations $P(v_n)$
 - ... but also non flow
 - *Subevent needed to study the onset*

- Sub-event technique mitigate the issue but require larger sample



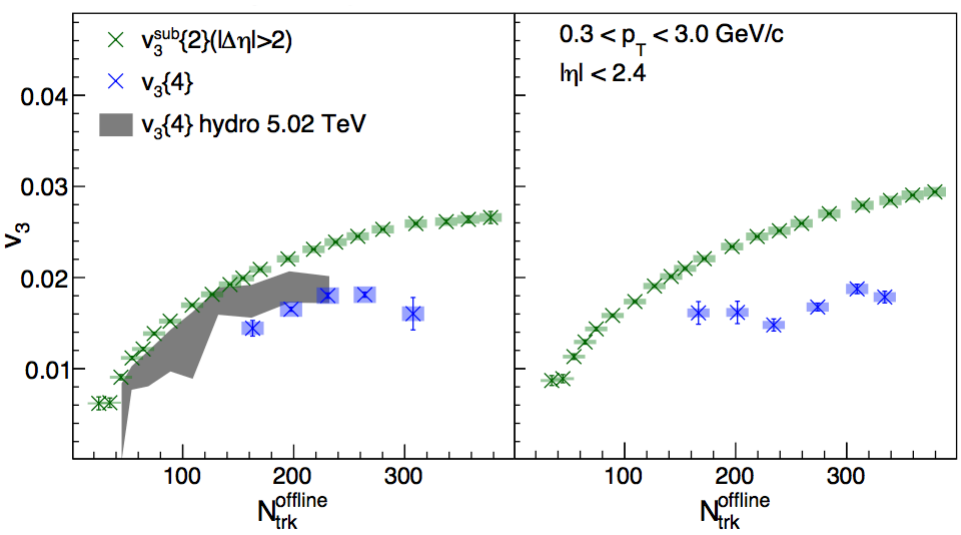
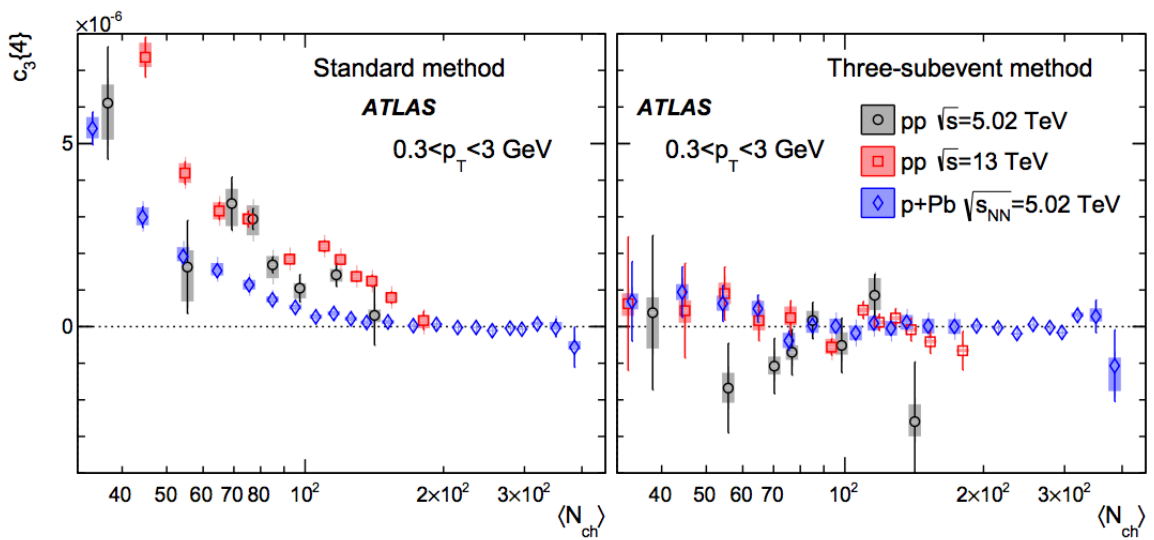
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➤ v_3 is a better handle to study IS fluctuations

- Easier to understand things when you try to break the problem in pieces

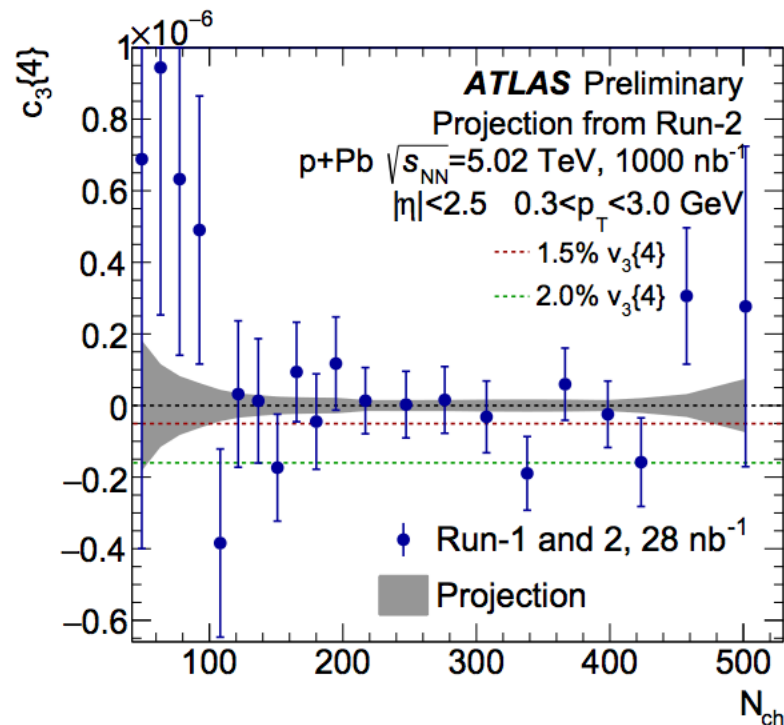
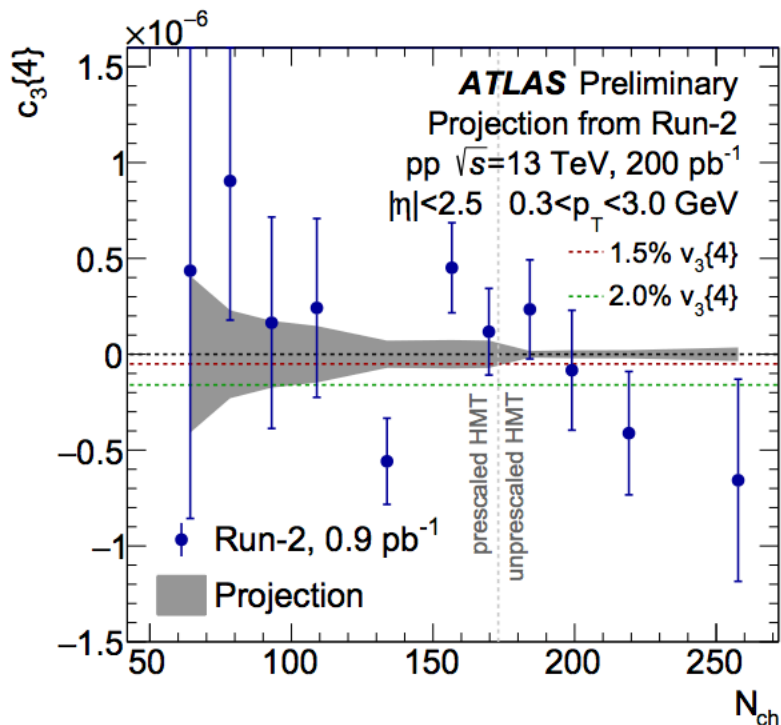
➤ Caveats:

- Harder to get
- Need more statistic and precise measurement
- Need to go down in multiplicity



Prediction for HL-LHC

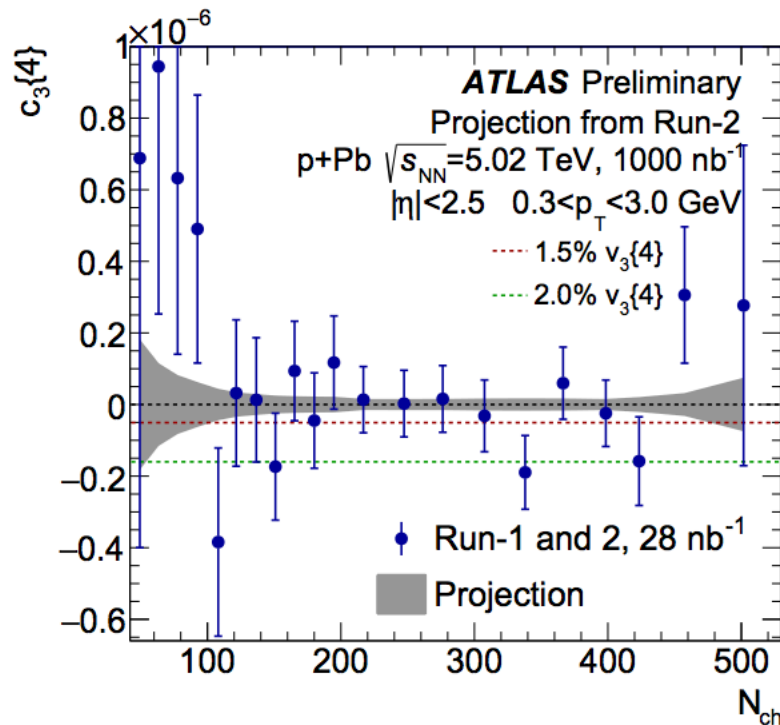
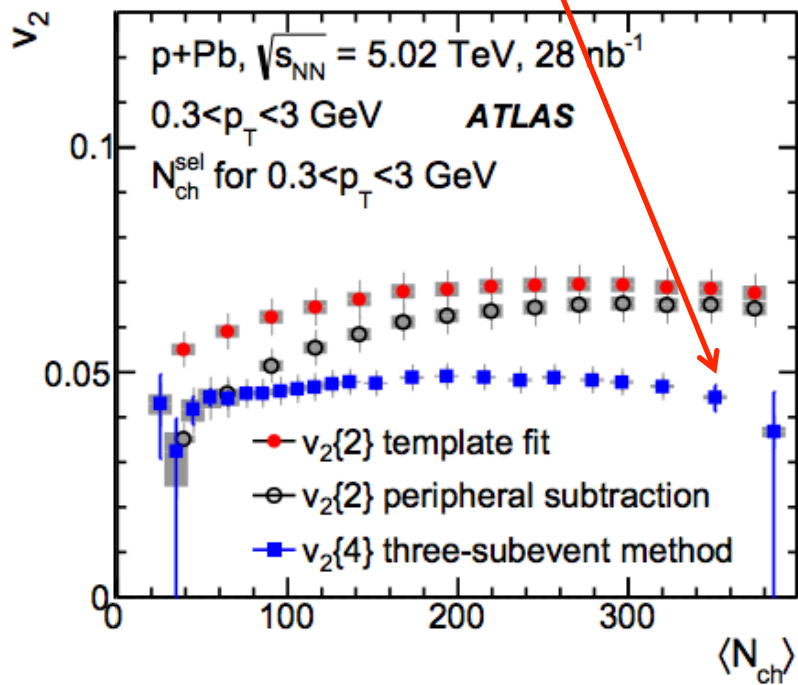
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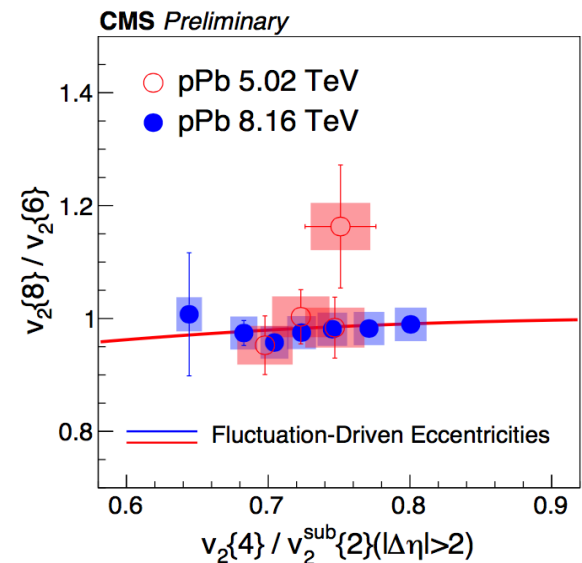
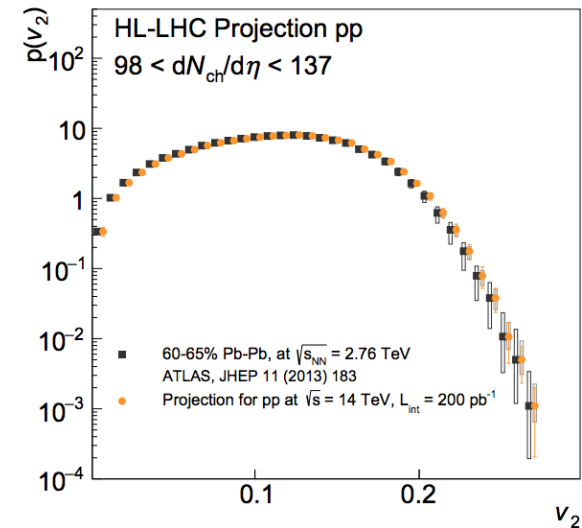
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Is it really constant at high N_{ch} ?



Is the v_n driven by ε_n in small system?

- $P(v_n)$ has never been measured in small systems
 - Measurement enable at HL-LHC
 - Details of IS conditions and FS dynamics
 - Better handle on flow fluctuations
- Cumulant ratio
 - Shape of the distribution linked to universality
 - Same in p-A and A-A? What about p-p
- Complementary informations
 - Most straight forward way to understand if eccentricity plays a major role
 - Needs high precision cumulant measurement together with $P(v_n)$ distribution

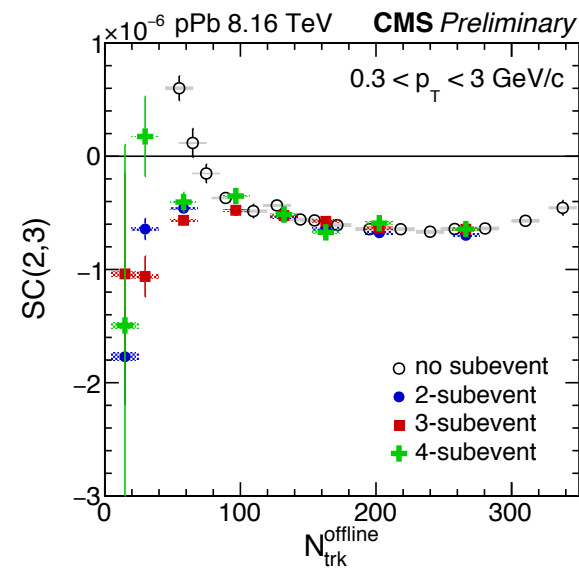
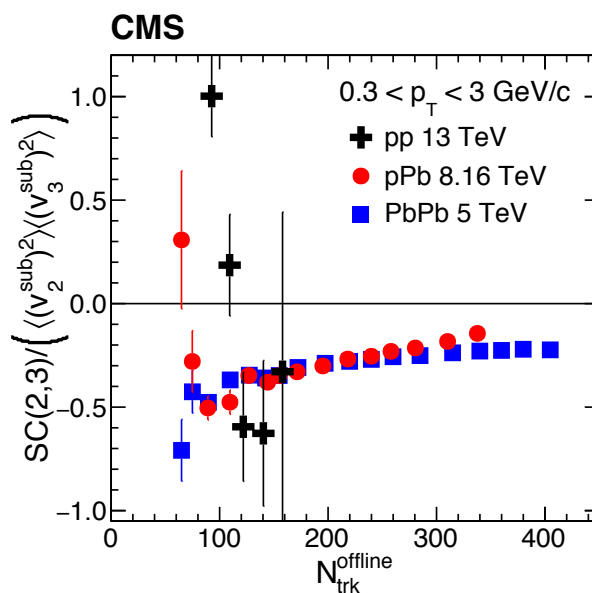


Deeper into the details: SCs

- Symmetric cumulant $SC(n,m) = \langle v_n^2 v_m^2 \rangle - \langle v_n^2 \rangle \langle v_m^2 \rangle$
 - Correlation between harmonics
 - Sensitive to both medium response and IS fluctuation (depending on n and m)
 - Cumulant based technique: same advantages/same caveats

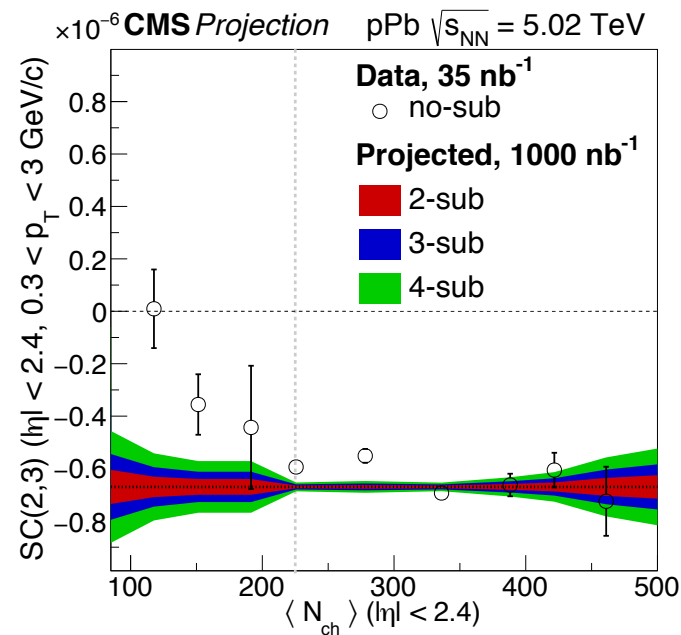
- Within current precision: p-A and A-A are very similar at high multiplicity

- w/ or w/o subevents



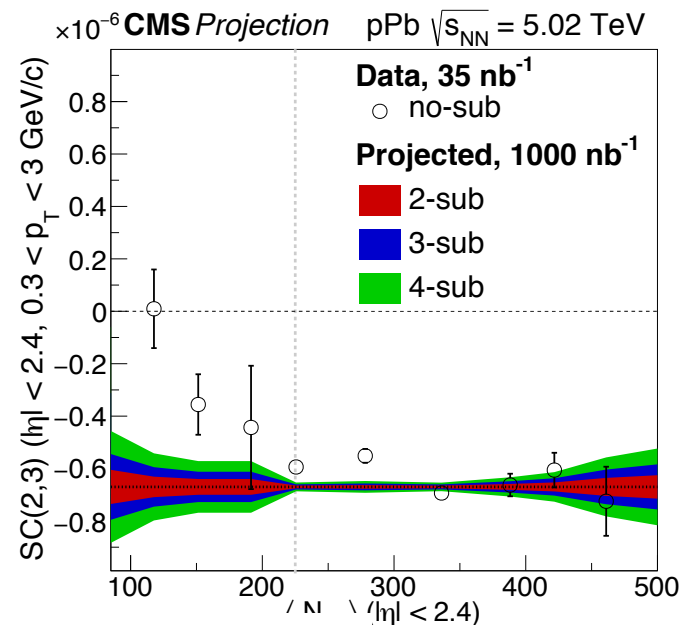
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- ... despite interesting effort to understand this via a wounded hot-spot approach



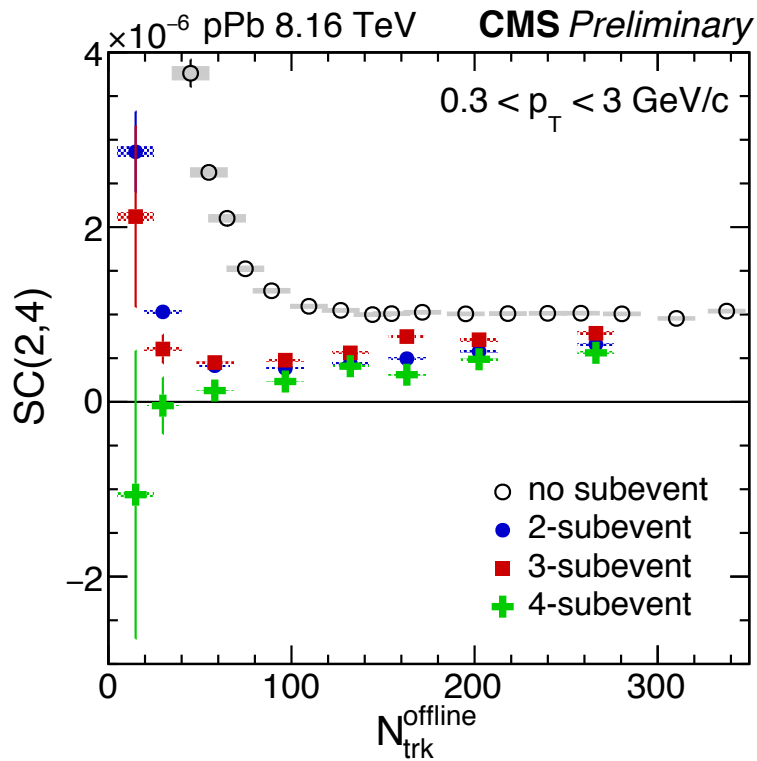
Symmetric cumulants as a probe of the proton substructure at LHC energies

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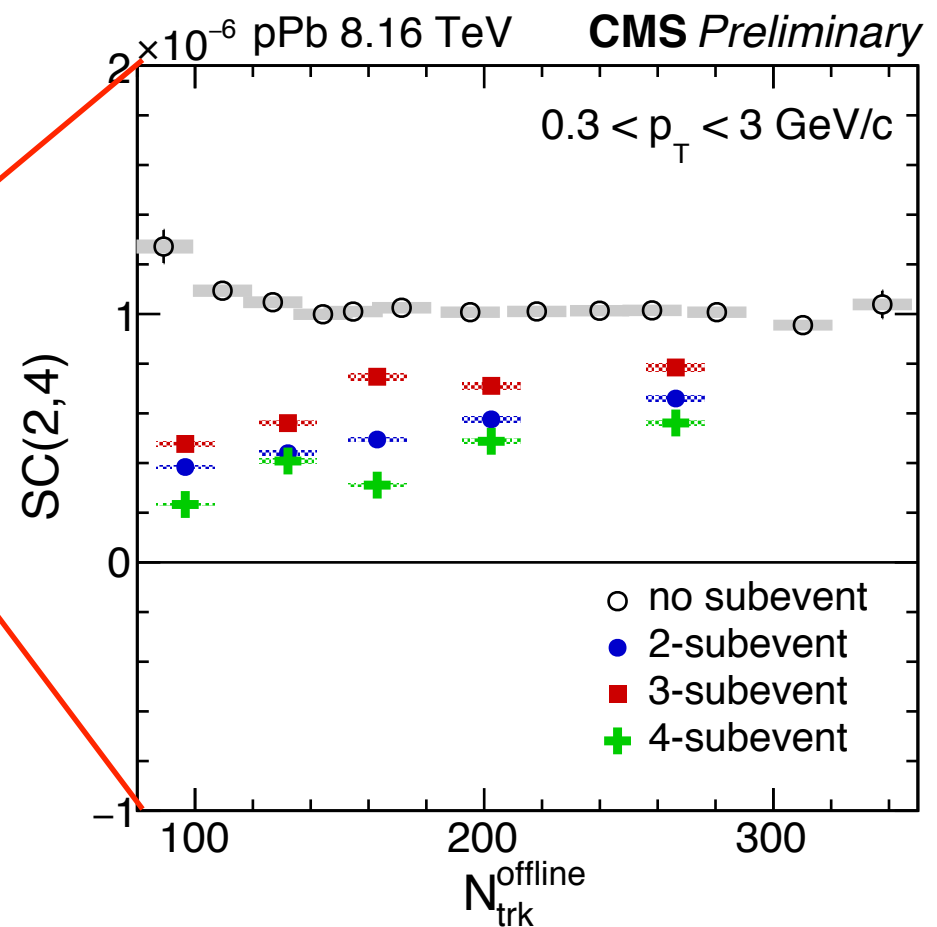
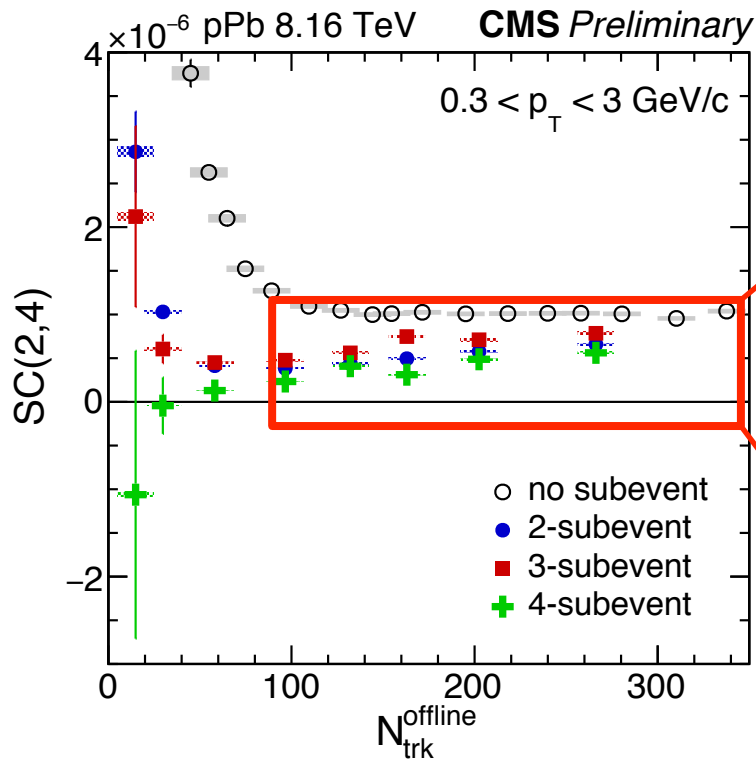
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Really need to understand how to describe the IS condition -- is there any geometrical contribution at the sub-nucleonic scale?

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➤ Splitting observed

- Cannot be non flow
- Factorization breaking – also observed by ATLAS

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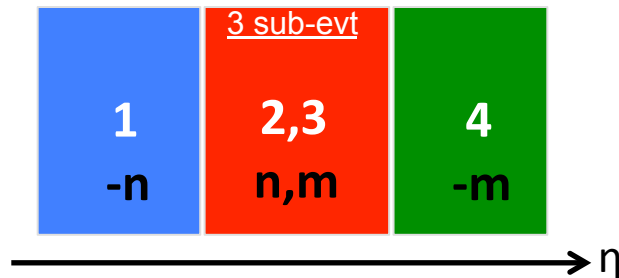


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Longitudinal dynamics

➤ Detailed studies of this in small system are still not fully covered

- In particular the effect on sub-event cumulant
- This is shown in the data but poorly quantified



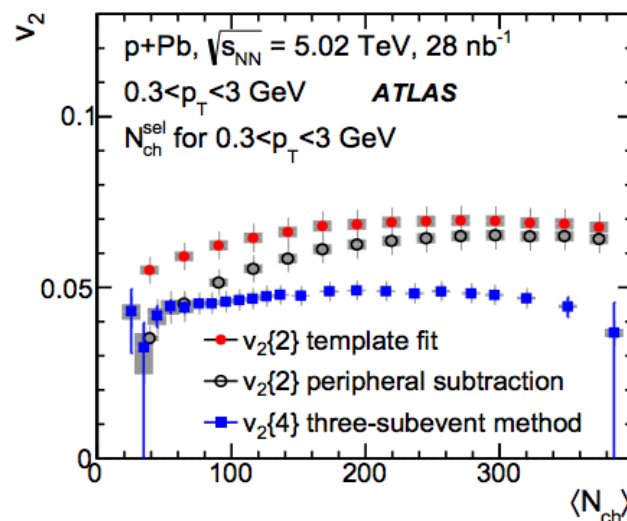
➤ Some ideas to study that

- “Standard” way: look at cumulant with different number of sub-event and compare OR look at correlators directly $\langle\langle 4 \rangle\rangle$, $\langle\langle 2 \rangle\rangle$, ...
- “non-standard” way: Possible to combine (add, subtract, ...) to isolate terms that are dominated by factorisation breaking
 - Is this possible?
 - Needs to make sure that anything measured is actually usable for our theory friends
- Other ideas?

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Non flow

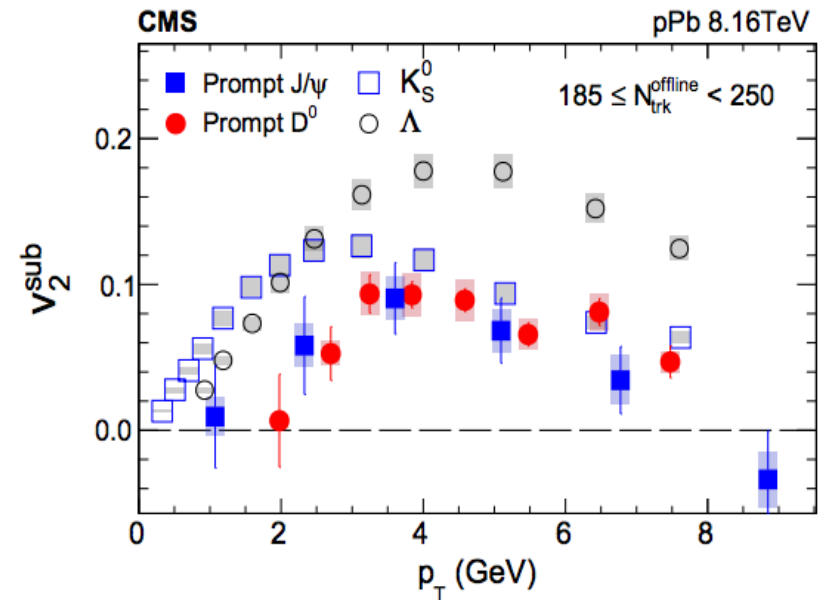
- A proper understanding of flow goes with a proper understanding of non-flow
 - Different method from 2-p give different answer based on assumption
 - Important to study the onset



- Cumulant with sub-event helps but can we do better?
 - Can we factorise out (partially) terms that depends on non-flow in subevent cumulant and actually measure it?
 - Comparison/combination of various definition of n-subevent cumulant
 - Not trivial most likely ☹️

Hard sector: heavy flavor v_n

- Large v_2 observed for charmed quark
 - Similar magnitude for J/ψ and D^0
 - Smaller than lighter flavor at low p_T
 - Uncertainties are still large
- The observed pattern is still very similar to A-A

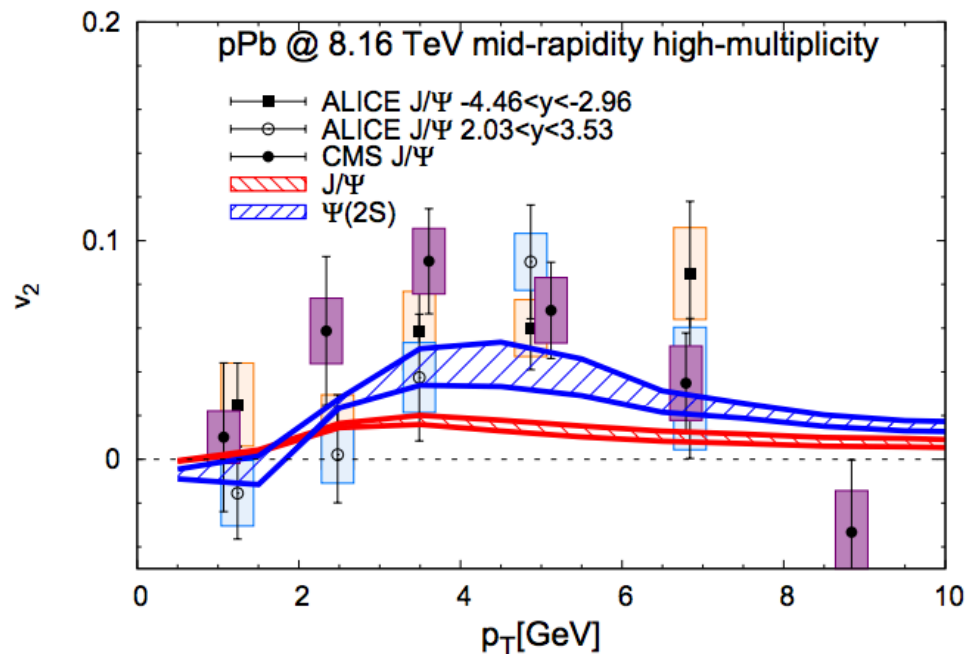
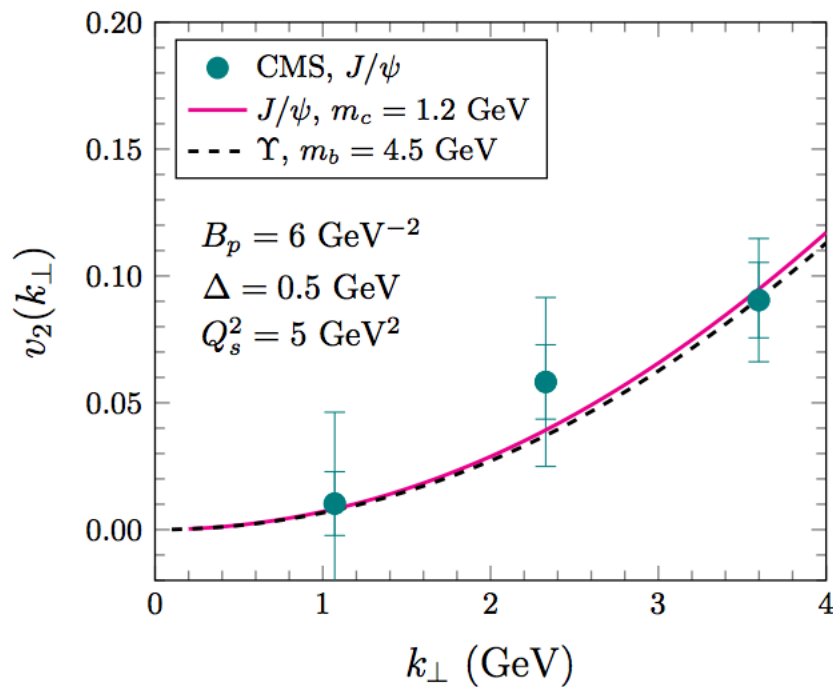


Magnitude surprisingly high!!!

The puzzle

- Data compared to Model
 - IS interaction like (CGC -- left)
 - Final state interaction like (Rapp -- right)

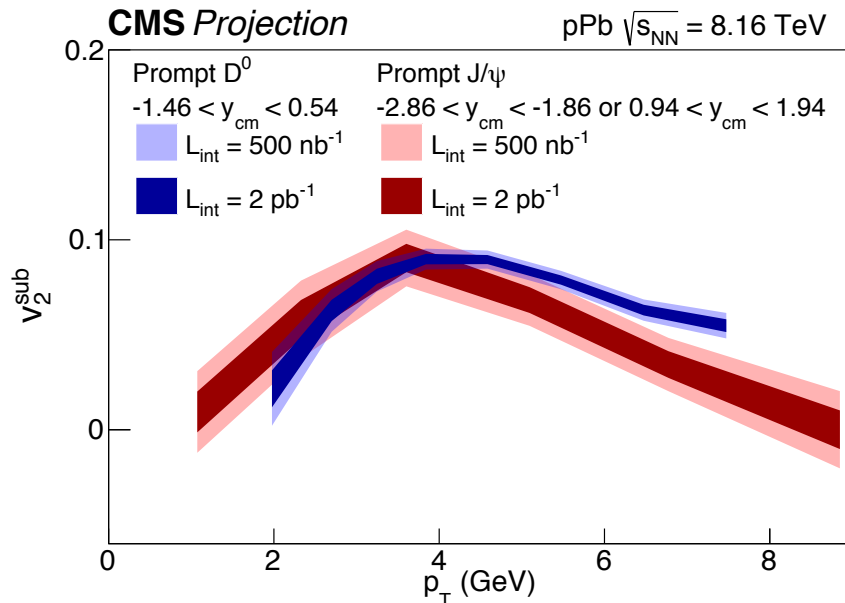
➤ Final state interaction alone cannot explain this



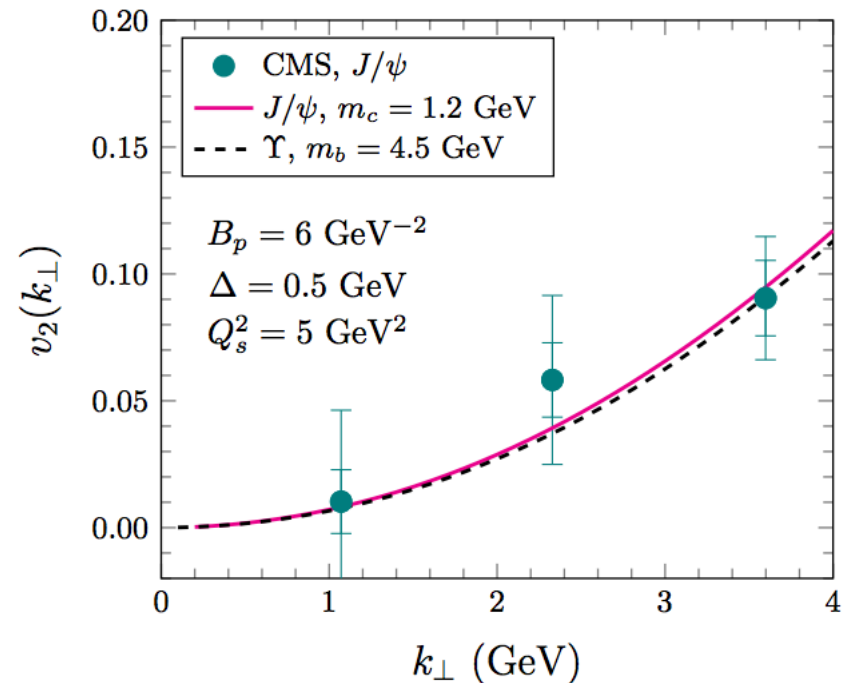
What can be improved?

➤ Measurement precision

- Projection already done for HL-LHC



- Upsilon v_n even more exciting in pPb

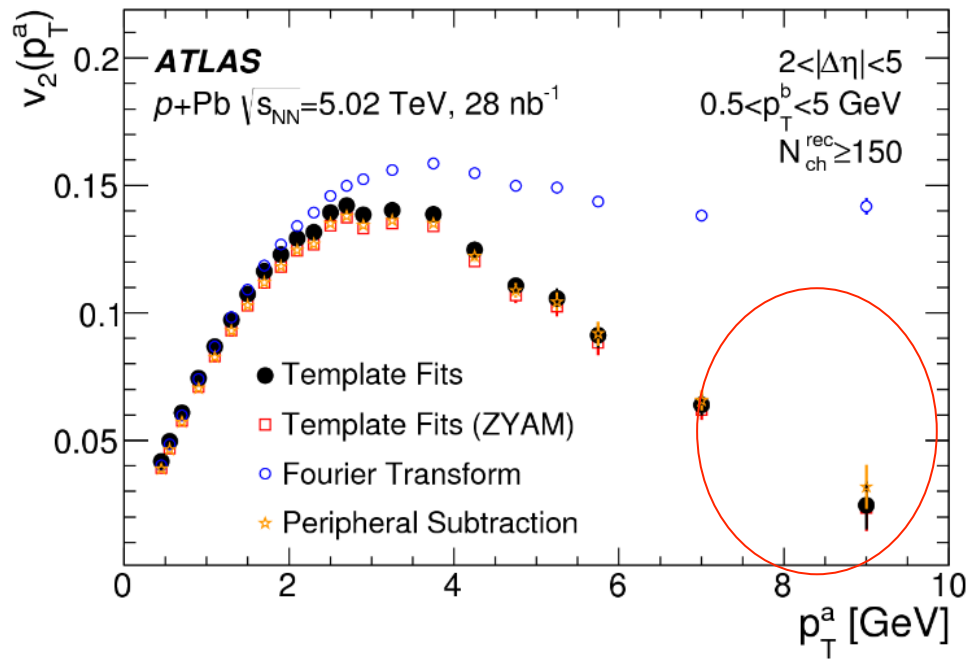


➤ What about small systems like p-p?

- More data are needed to hope for equivalent signal significance respect to pPb

Hard sector: high- p_T v_n

- High- p_T v_2 related to parton energy loss
 - Unbiased observable compared to R_{AA}
 - No reference needed
- If jet-quenching exist in small systems such as pPb and pp, it very small
 - Can look at high- p_T v_n
 - Need to suppress non-flow their
 - 2PC + gap not sufficient probably
 - Need cumulant + sub-event



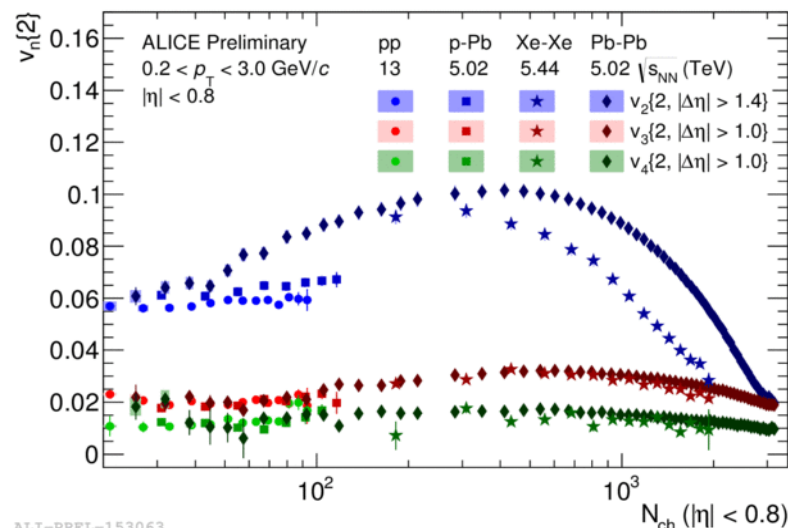
Light ions, Run3/4 and beyond

➤ From pp → pA → AA

- Difficult to understand
 - Different geometry
 - Some signatures are there but some are not (jet-quenching)

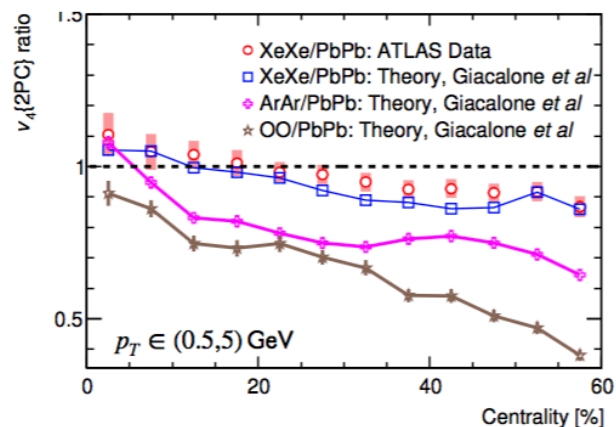
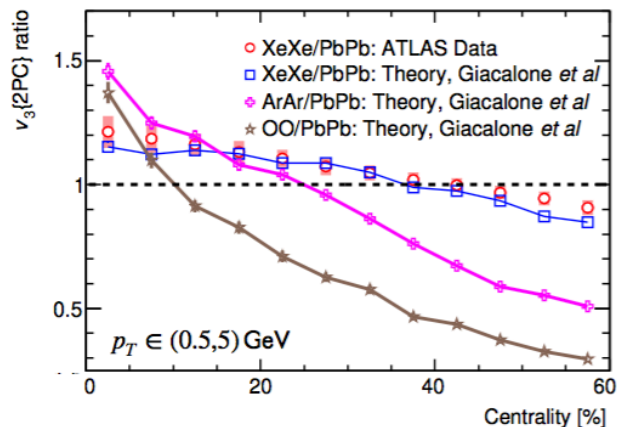
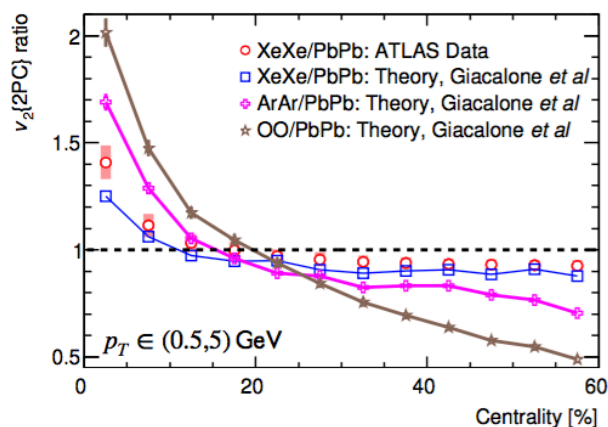
➤ System size dependence

- What about smaller systems?
- Opportunities to collect some O-O at LHC
 - A-A geometry but similar to p-Pb in terms of multiplicity, N_{part} ...
 - Better understanding of the transition pA→AA
 - O-O system large enough to observe jet quenching



Light ions, Run3/4 and beyond

- Also some potential request for other species in Run 5
 - Going toward smaller ions Ar-Ar
 - Get more control on the geometry while studying the onset of collectivity





Wrap-up

- LHC will offer new opportunities
 - More precise/differential measurement from soft to hard sector
 - New colliding systems
 - Better detection systems: extended coverage, PID, large data acquisition capacities
- Need to find a coherent explanation for all the signature observed in small systems
 - Being able to chose between various scenario require close collaboration between theory and experiment
 - Find observable and event classification that are usable for all
 - Break the problem in pieces
 - Systematic studies of various observable
 - Factorization
- One way to go would be to combine cumulants with various “flavor” of subevents to isolates terms that strongly depends on non-flow or sensitive to factorization breaking for exemple