

Heavy flavor production in high-energy proton-proton and heavy-ion collisions in EPOS4 framework

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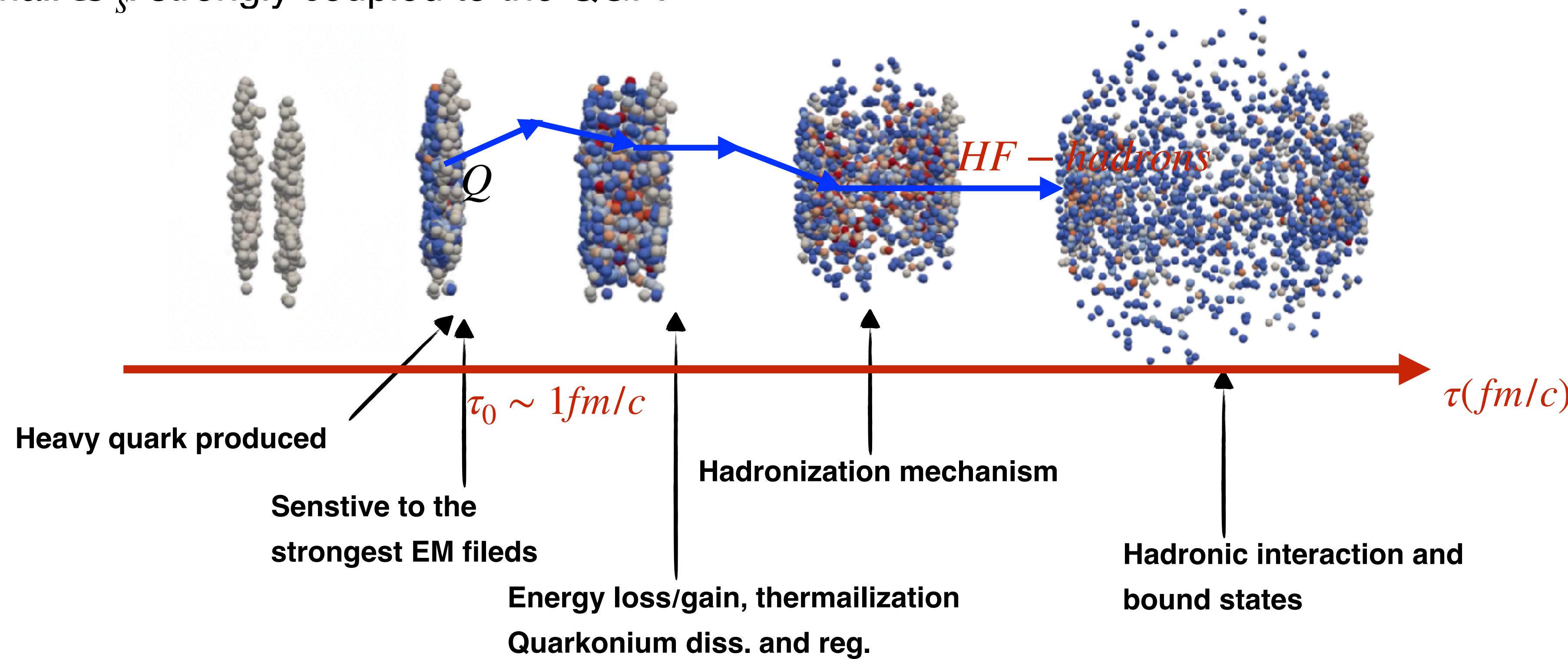
Outline

- ✿ **Introduction of the heavy flavor probes**
- ✿ Heavy flavor production in heavy-ion collisions in EPOS4
- ✿ Heavy flavor production in p-p collisions in EPOS4
- ✿ System size dependence of energy loss and correlations
- ✿ Summary

Heavy flavor probes

$m_c \sim 1.5\text{GeV}$, $m_b \sim 4.7\text{GeV}$

- ◆ $\tau_c \sim 1/m_c$, $\tau_b \sim 1/m_b < \tau_0 \sim 1\text{fm}/c$, “see” full system evolution.
- ◆ $\tau_c, \tau_b < \tau_B \approx R/\gamma \sim 0.1\text{fm}/c$, feel strong electromagnetic fields in HICs.
- ◆ $m_c, m_b \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$, produced by hard scattering, pQCD.
- ◆ $m_c, m_b \gg T$, number is conserved during the evolution (thermal production can be neglected).
- ◆ $m \gg T \sim q$, can be treated as a Brownian particle.
- ◆ Small \mathcal{D}_s , strongly coupled to the QGP.



State of art

In the theoretical side, there are many models to describe heavy flavor energy loss & hadronization:

Catania (coalescence+fragmentation; pp and AA),

CUJET (fragmentation; only AA)

Duke (coalescence+fragmentation; only AA),

EPOS4 (coalescence+fragmentation; pp and AA),

LBT (coalescence+fragmentation; only AA),

Nantes (coalescence+fragmentation; only AA),

PHSD (coalescence+fragmentation; pp and AA),

POWLANG (local color neutralization; pp and AA),

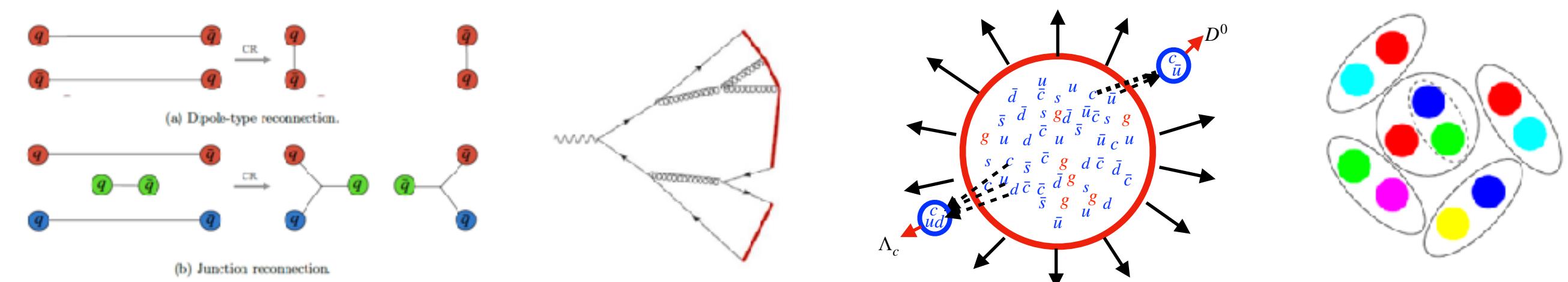
PYTHIA (fragmentation/color reconnection; only pp),

Qufu (equal-velocity combination; only AA),

TAMU (pp-fragmentation; AA-resonance recombination+fragmentation; pp and AA),

Tsinghua (coalescence; only AA).

....



They give a more or less good description of the experimental data.

Heavy flavor energy loss, hadronization model comparison

The Influence of bulk evolution models on heavy-quark phenomenology #1

Pol Bernard Gossiaux (SUBATECH, Nantes), Sascha Vogel (SUBATECH, Nantes), Hendrik van Hees (Giessen U.),
Joerg Aichelin (SUBATECH, Nantes), Ralf Rapp (Texas A-M, Cyclotron Inst. and Texas A-M) et al. (Feb, 2011)

e-Print



Extraction of Heavy-Flavor Transport Coefficients in QCD Matter #1

R. Rapp (Texas A-M and Texas A-M, Cyclotron Inst.)(ed.), P.B. Gossiaux (SUBATECH, Nantes)(ed.), A.
Andronic (Darmstadt, EMMI and Munster U.)(ed.), R. Averbeck (Darmstadt, EMMI)(ed.), S. Masciocchi (Darmstadt,
EMMI)(ed.) et al. (Mar 10, 2018)

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Toward the determination of heavy-quark transport coefficients in quark-gluon plasma #1

Shanshan Cao (Wayne State U., Detroit), Gabriele Coci (Catania U. and INFN, Catania), Santosh Kumar Das (Indian
Inst. Tech. Goa and Catania U.), Weiyao Ke (Duke U.), Shuai Y.F. Liu (Texas A-M, Cyclotron Inst.) et al. (Sep 20,
2018)

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Resolving discrepancies in the estimation of heavy quark transport coefficients in relativistic heavy-ion collisions #1

Yingru Xu (Duke U.), Steffen A. Bass (Duke U.), Pierre Moreau (Goethe U., Frankfurt (main)), Taesoo Song (Giessen
U.), Marlene Nahrgang (SUBATECH, Nantes) et al. (Sep 27, 2018)

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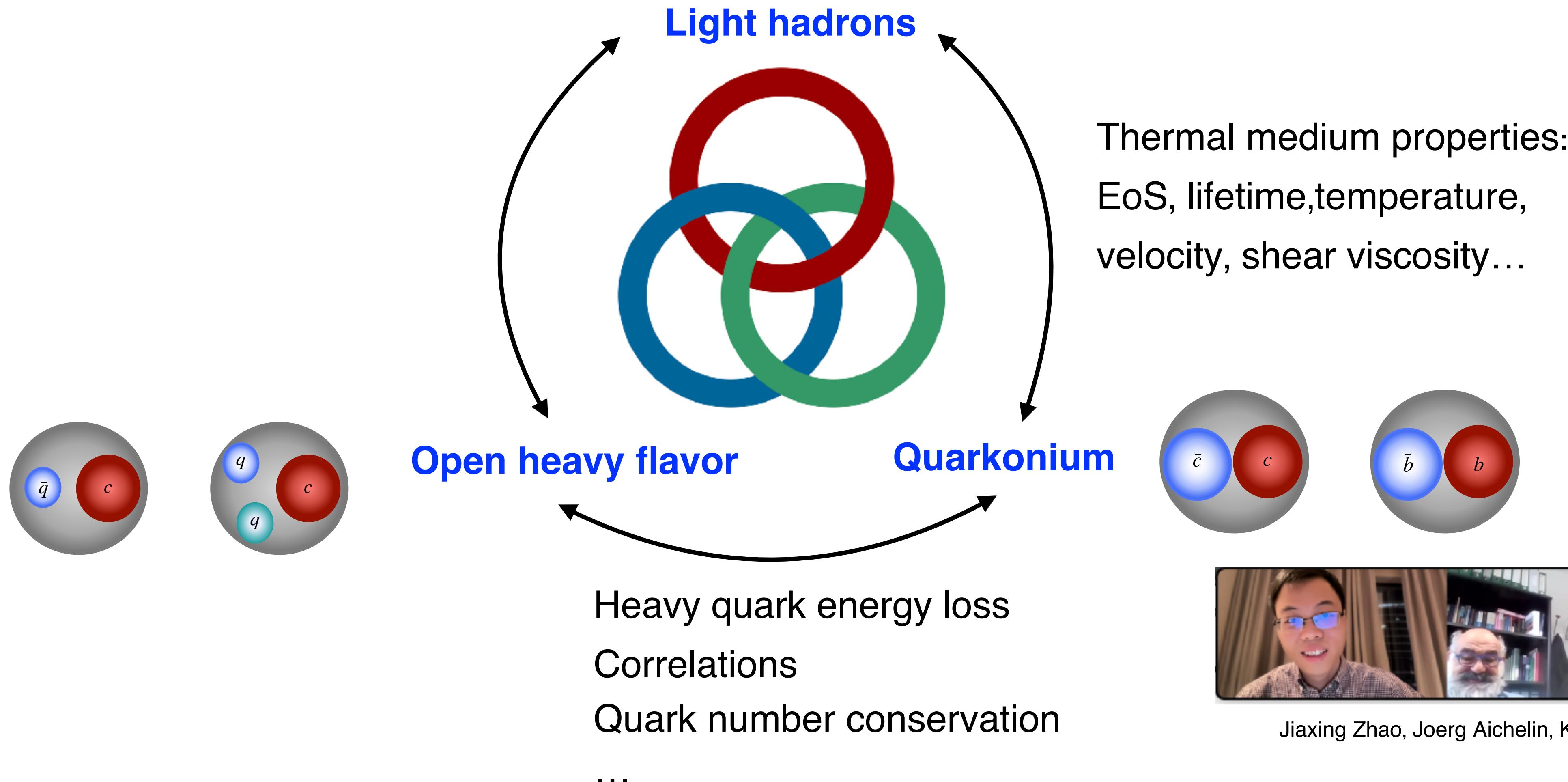
PHYSICAL REVIEW C 109, 054912 (2024)

Hadronization of heavy quarks

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Build a unified framework

To combine the light with heavy, open heavy flavor with quarkonium!



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→ **EPOS4**

gives a good description of both charm and bottom hadrons production in pp & heavy ion collisions, central and peripheral collisions, RHIC and LHC energies!

will be released soon! *J.Z., J.Aichelin, P.B. Gossiaux, K.Werner, Phys.Rev.D 109 (2024) 5, 054011; Phys.Rev.C 110 (2024) 2, 024909; arxiv: 2407.20919.*

EPOS4: A Monte Carlo tool for simulating high-energy scatterings

<https://klaus.pages.in2p3.fr/epos4/>

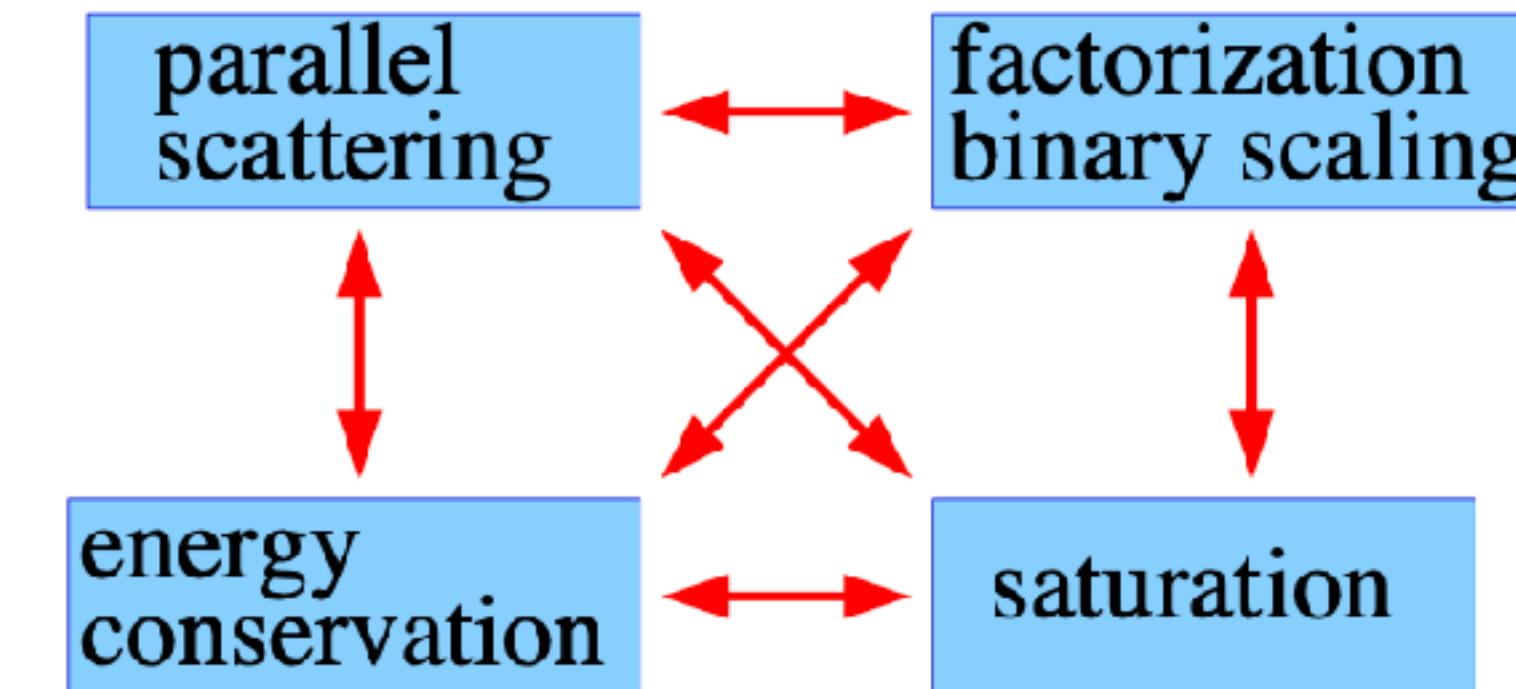
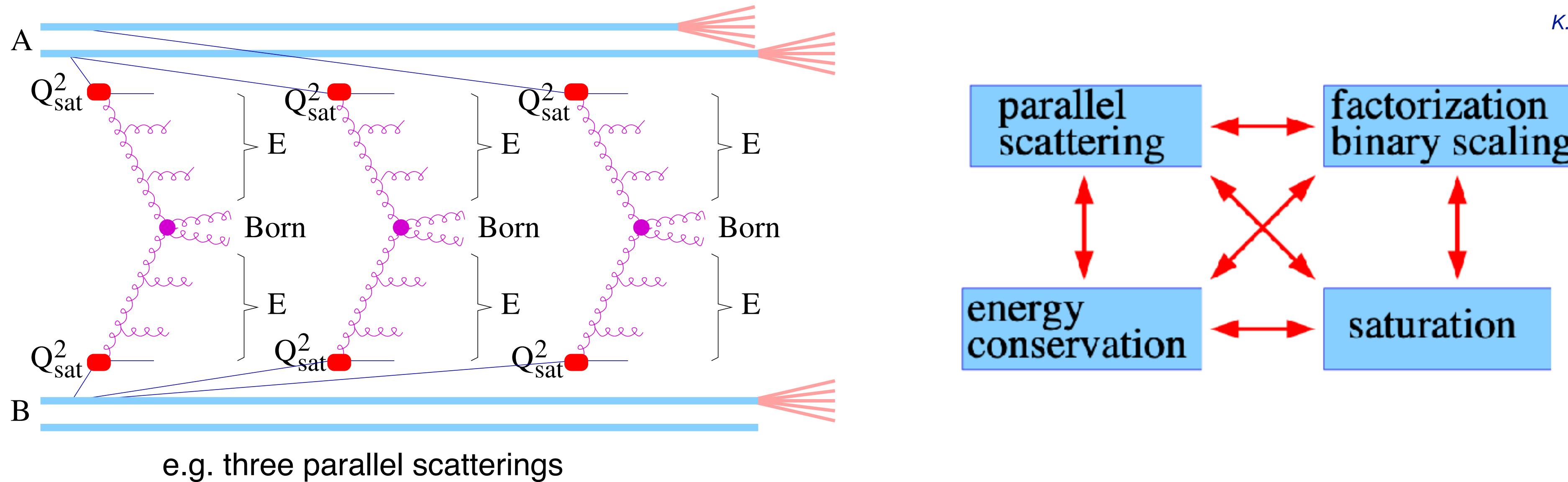
VENUS(1990) → NEXUS(2000) → EPOS1(2002) → EPOS2(2010) → EPOS3(2013) → EPOS4(2020)

An abbreviation of **E**nergy conserving quantum mechanical multiple scattering approach, based on **P**arton (parton ladders), **O**ff-shell remnants, and **S**aturation of parton ladders.

K. Werner. PRC 108 (2023) 6, 064903

K. Werner, B. Guiot, PRC 108 (2023) 3, 034904

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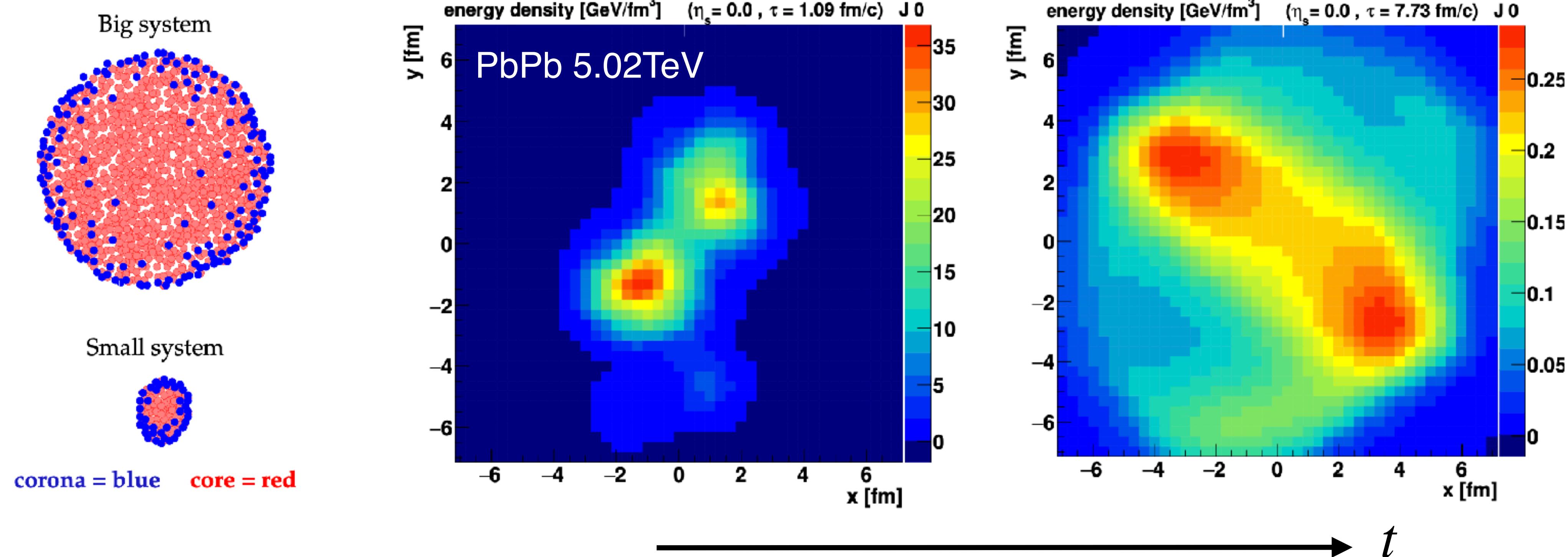


S-matrix theory (to deal with **parallel scatterings** happens in high energy collisions)

For each one we have a parton evolution according to the DGLAP .

Consistently accommodate these four crucial concepts is realized in the EPOS4!

EPOS4: core-corona picture



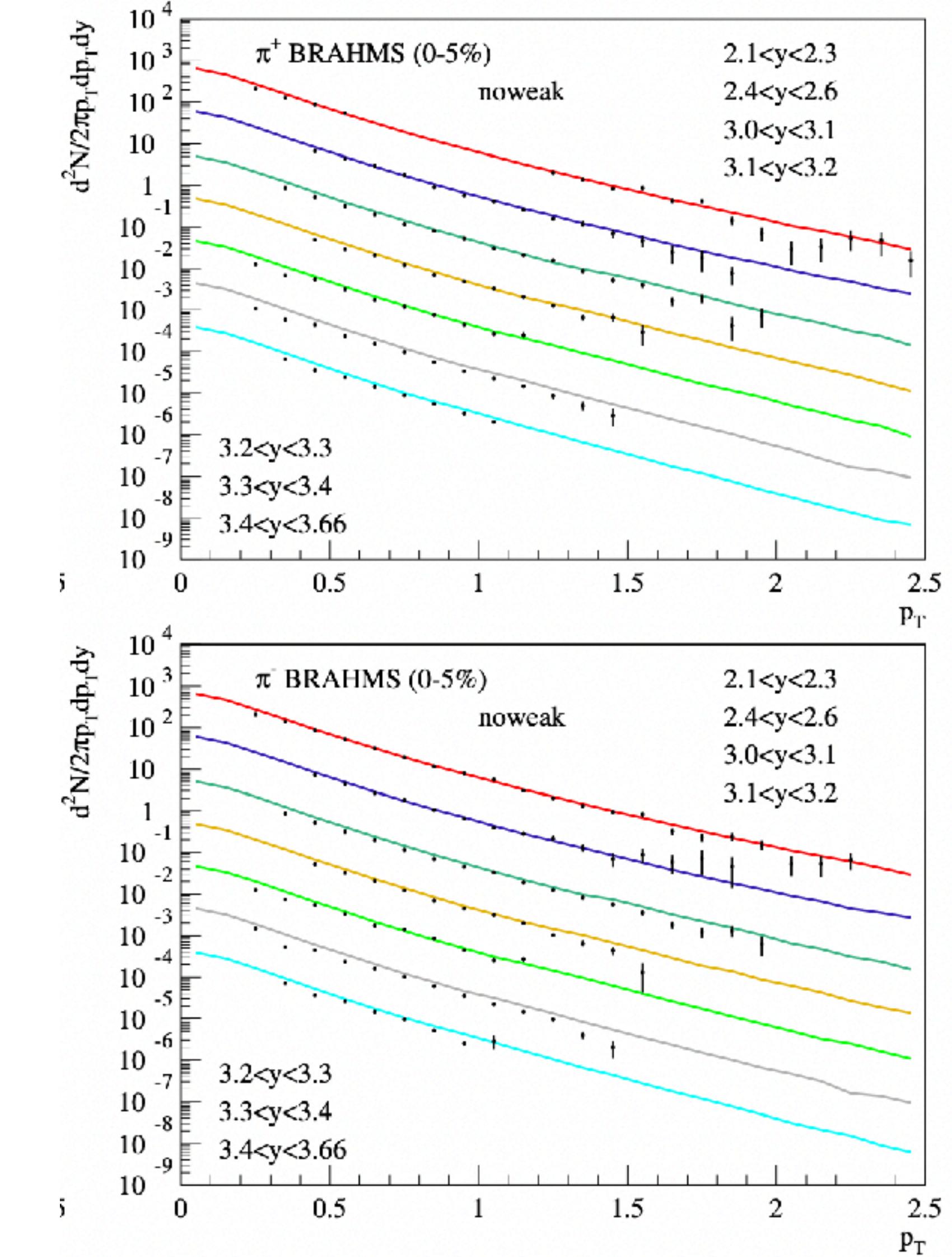
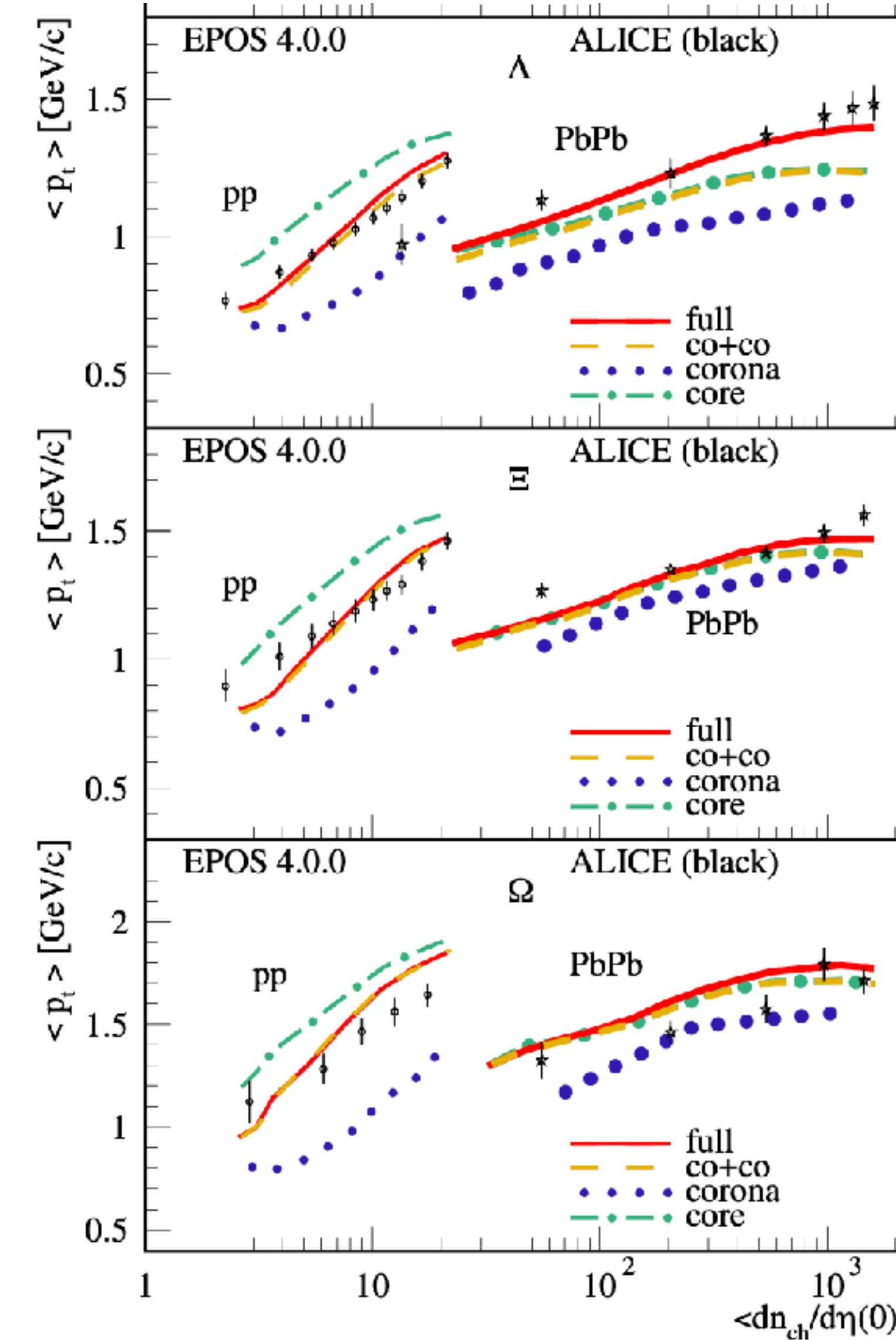
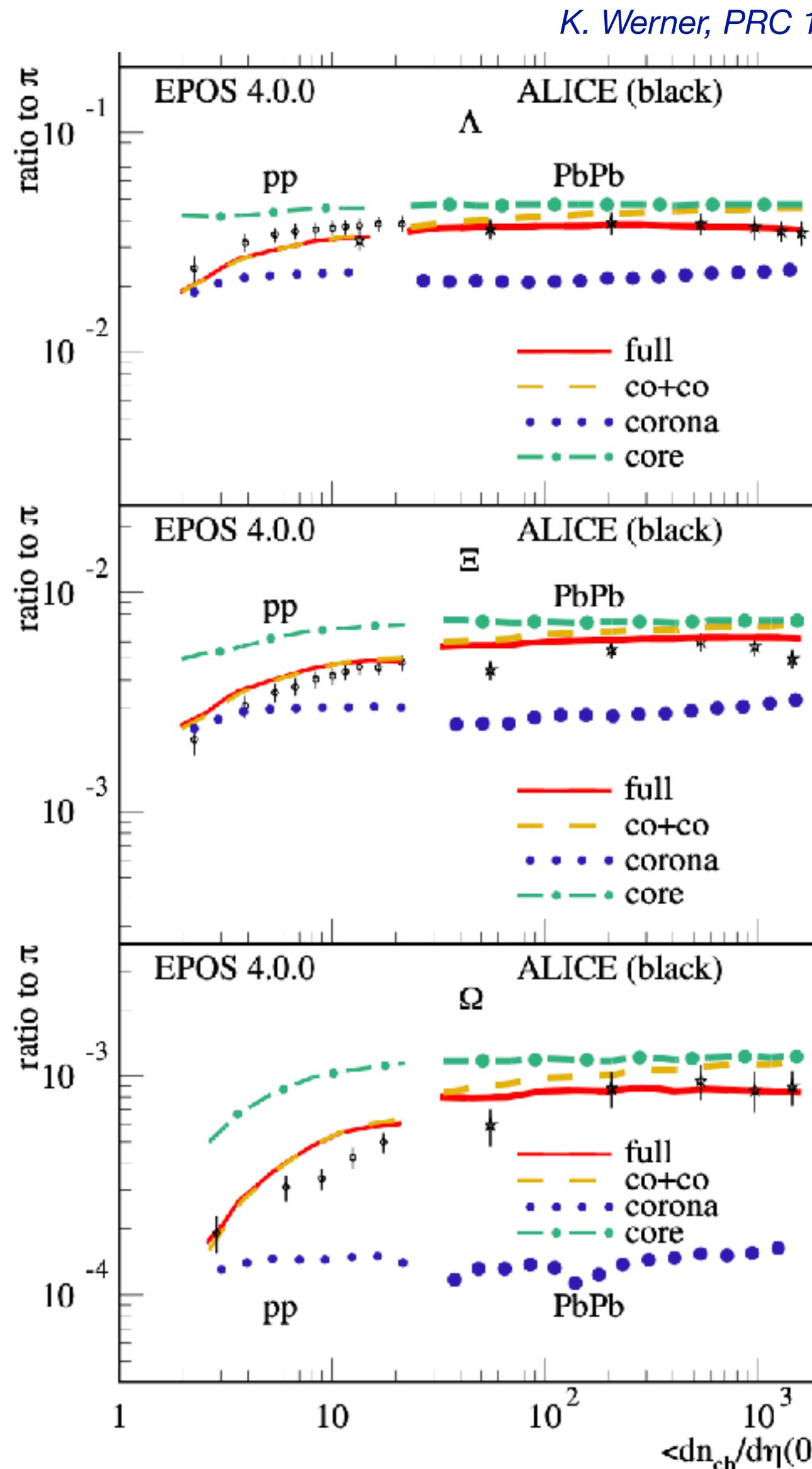
Core: string segment density larger than the critical density and also the transverse momentum of the segment; hydrodynamics (vHLL);

Corona: hadronic phase (UrQMD)

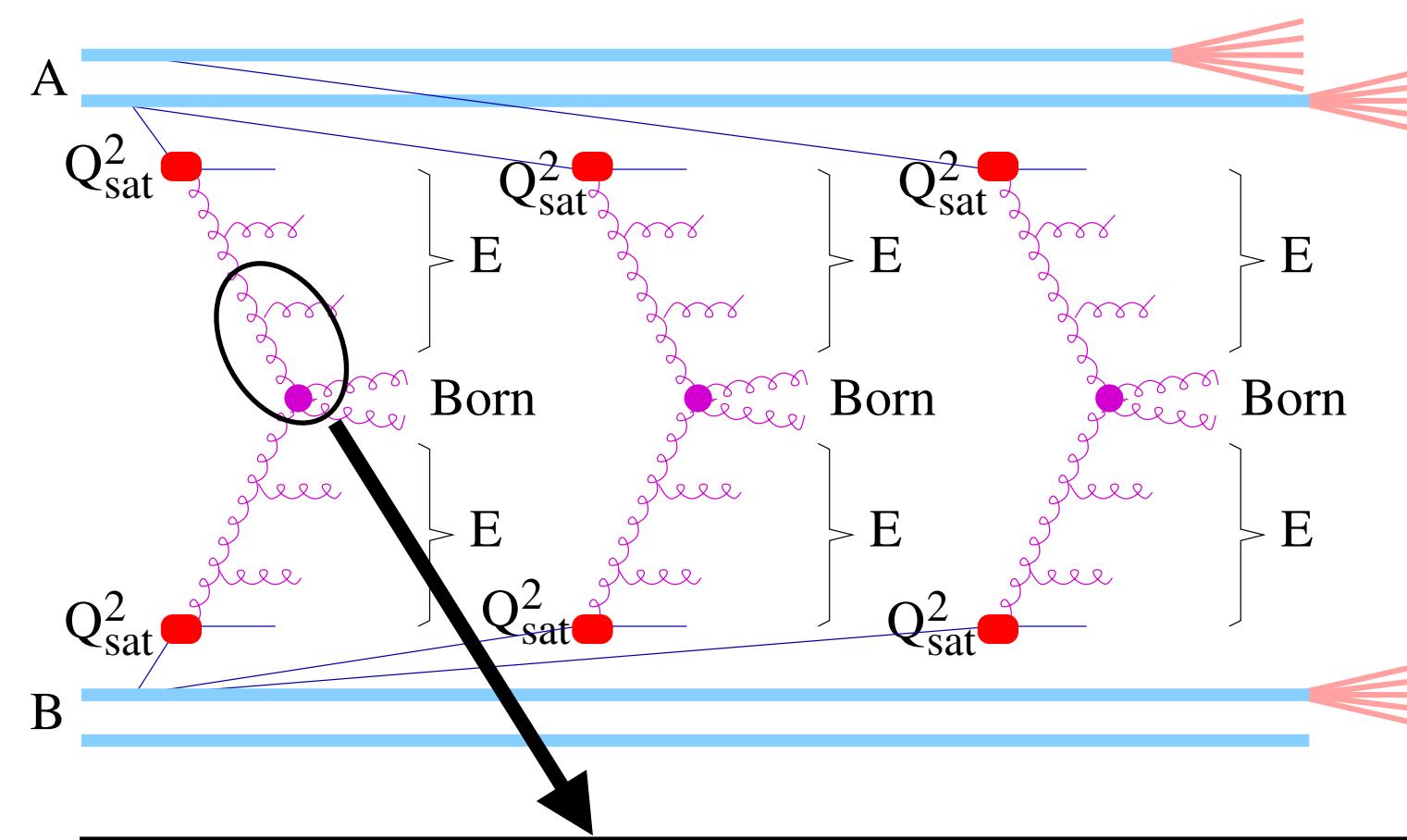
The energy density is larger than the critical energy density $\epsilon_0 \rightarrow$ deconfined QCD matter!

EPOS4: light hadrons production

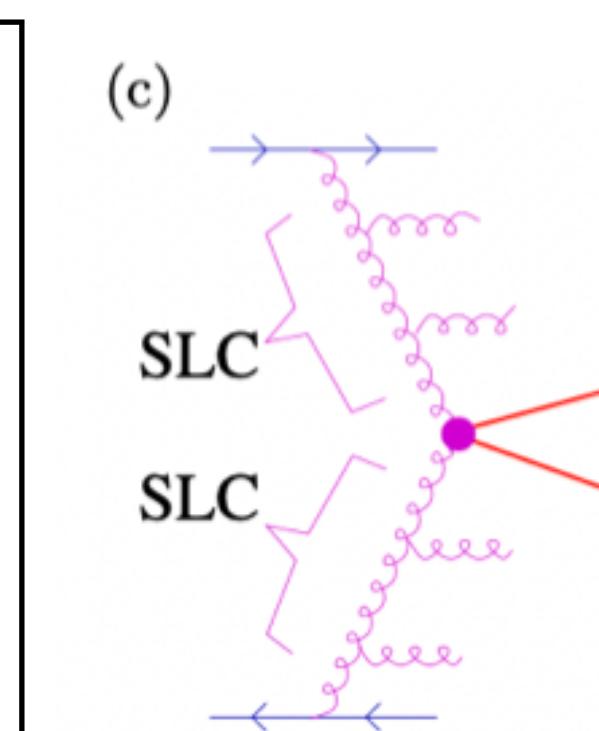
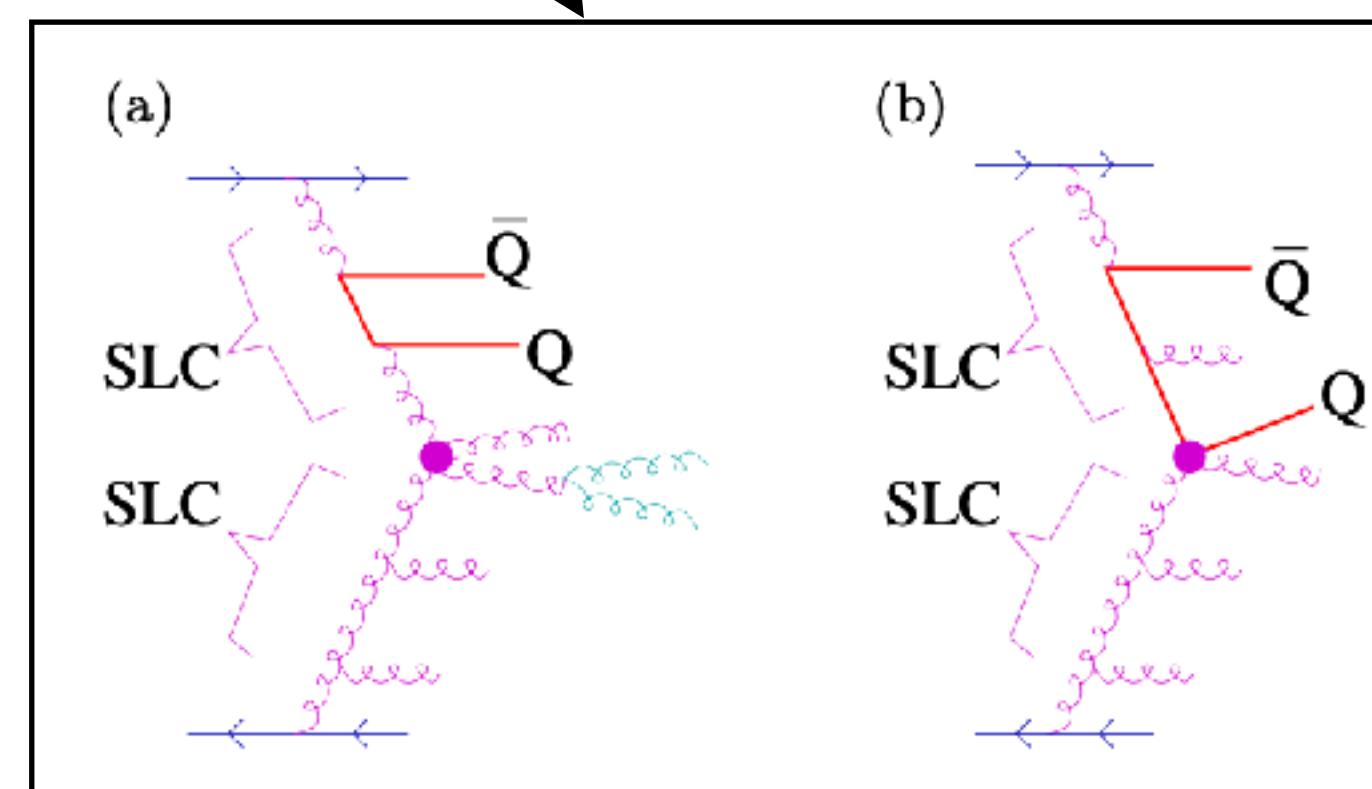
Light hadrons have been described well from pp to AA by EPOS4!



EPOS4: heavy quark production

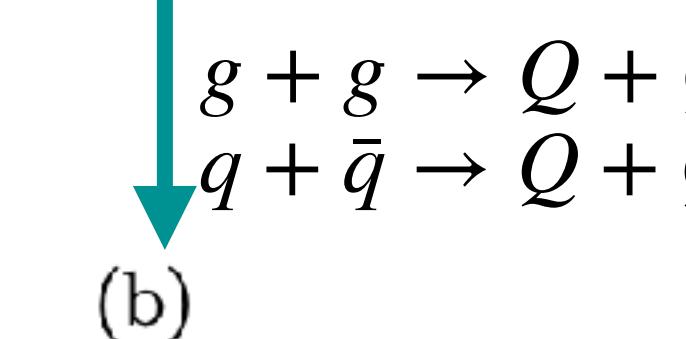
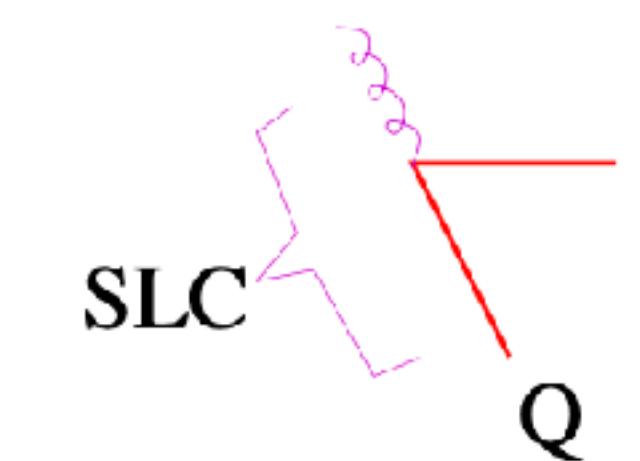


Heavy quarks are produced initially via:

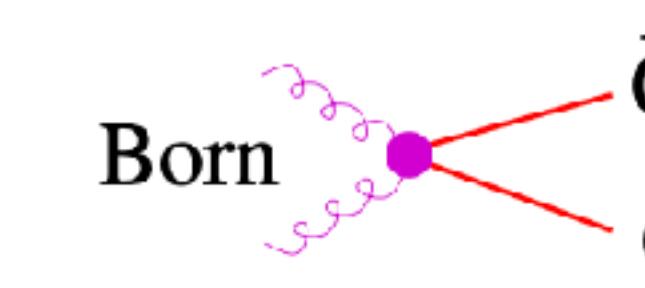


Space-like cascade

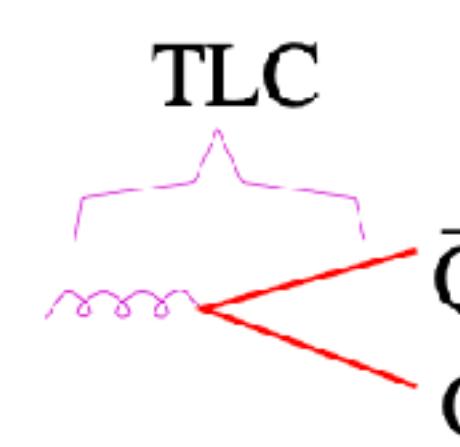
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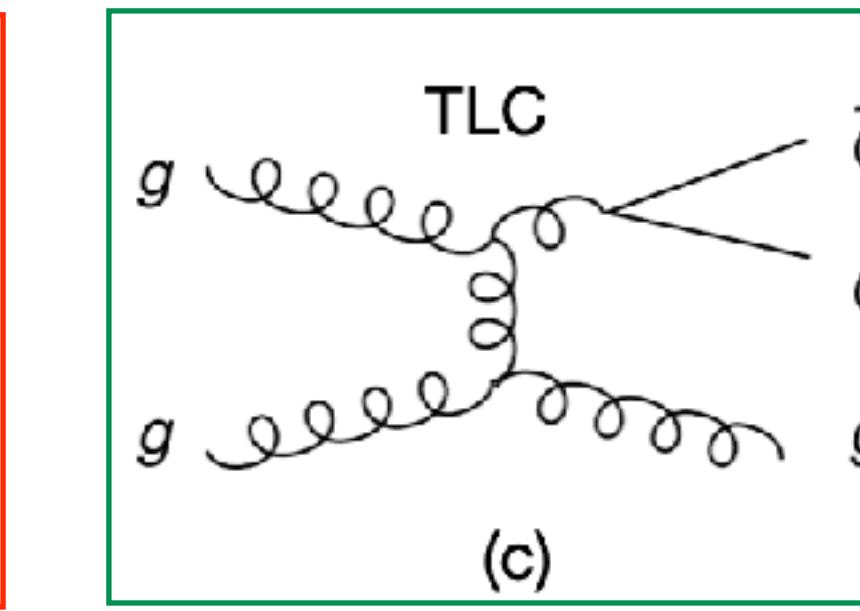
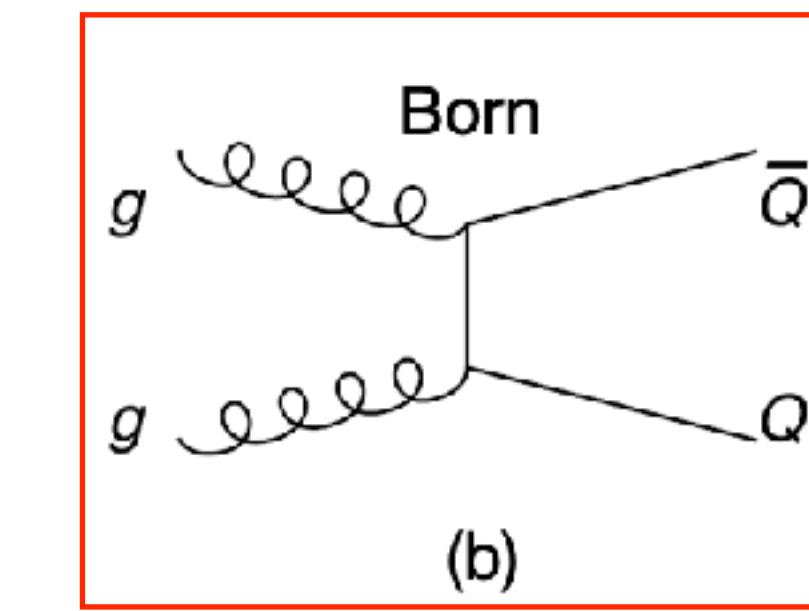
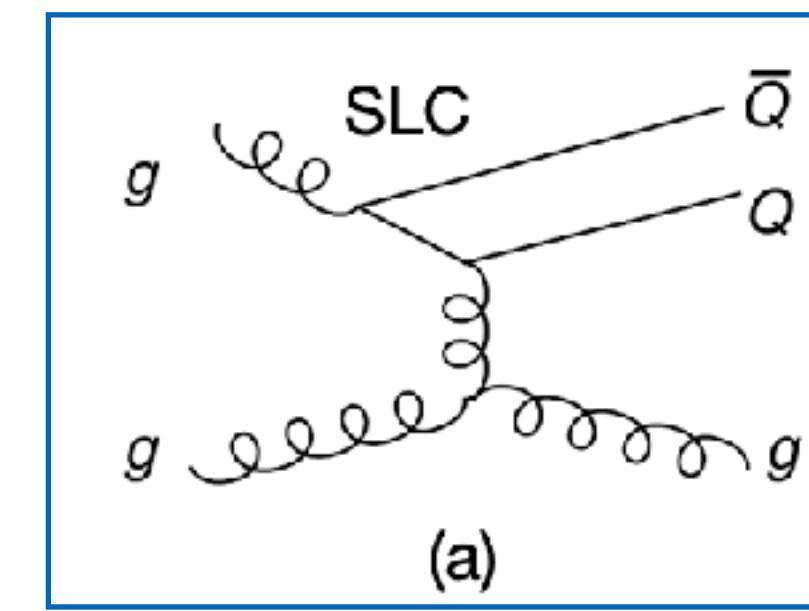


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Time-like cascade

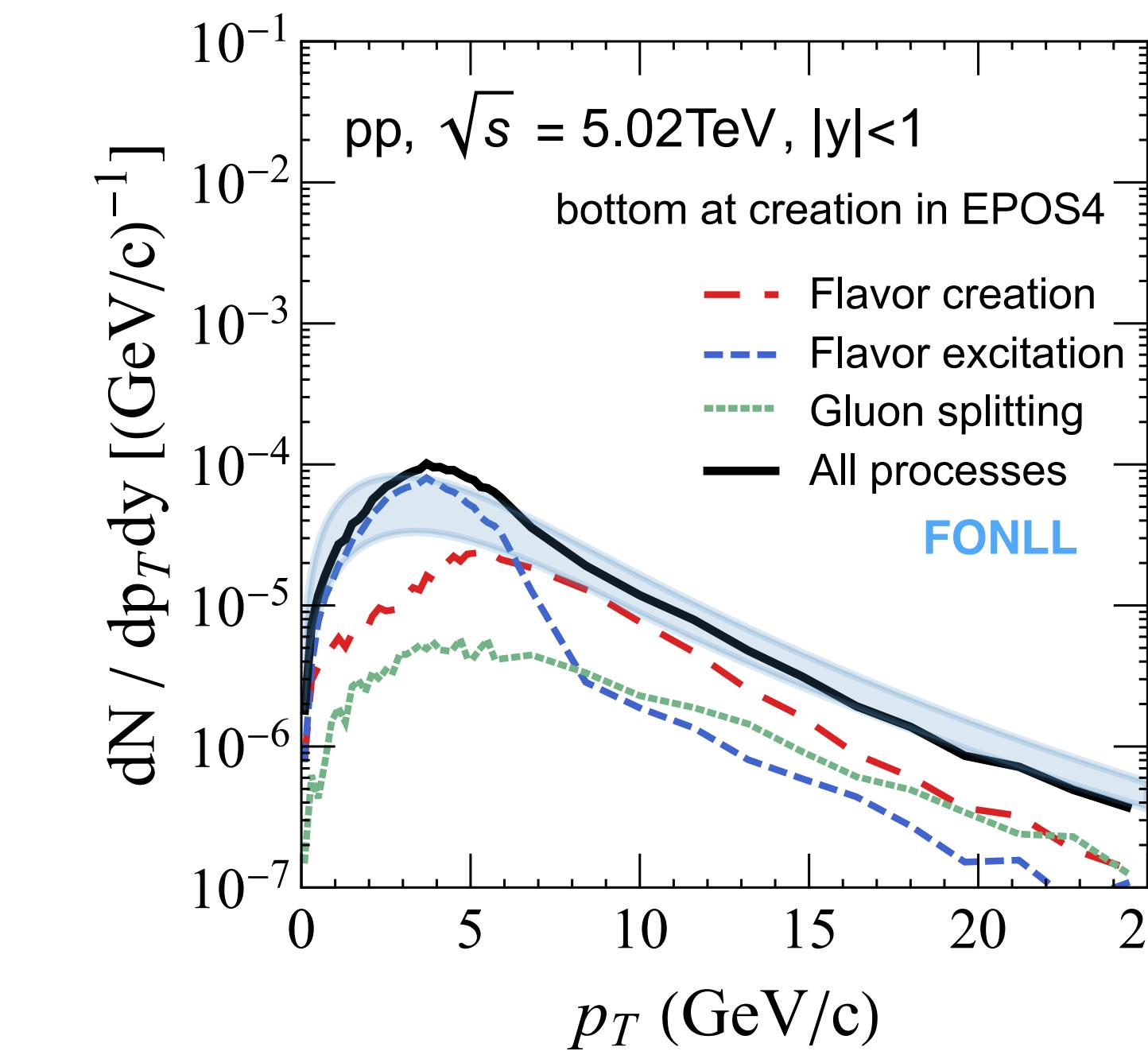
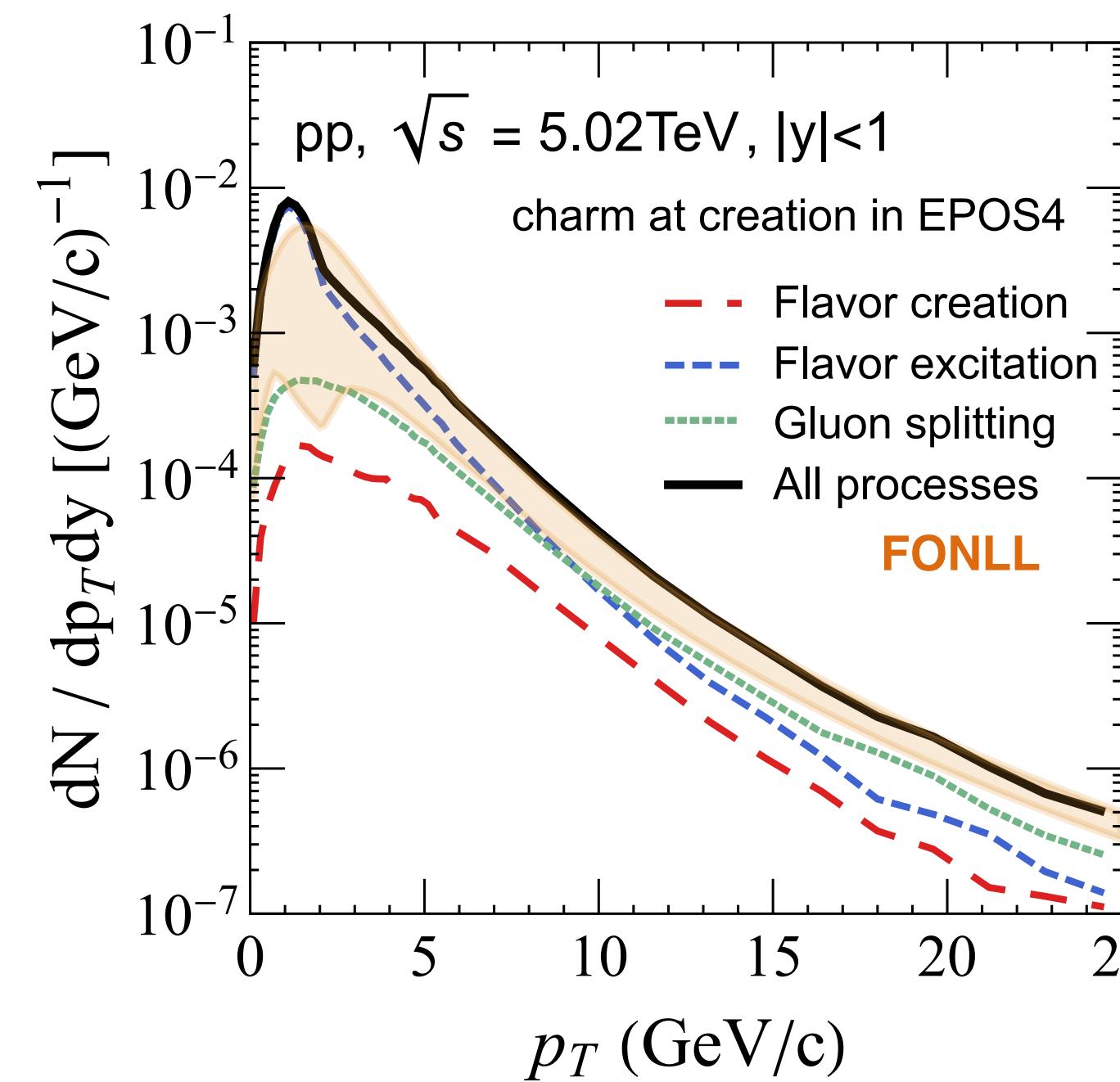
EPOS4: heavy quark production



Flavor excitation

Flavor creation

Gluon splitting



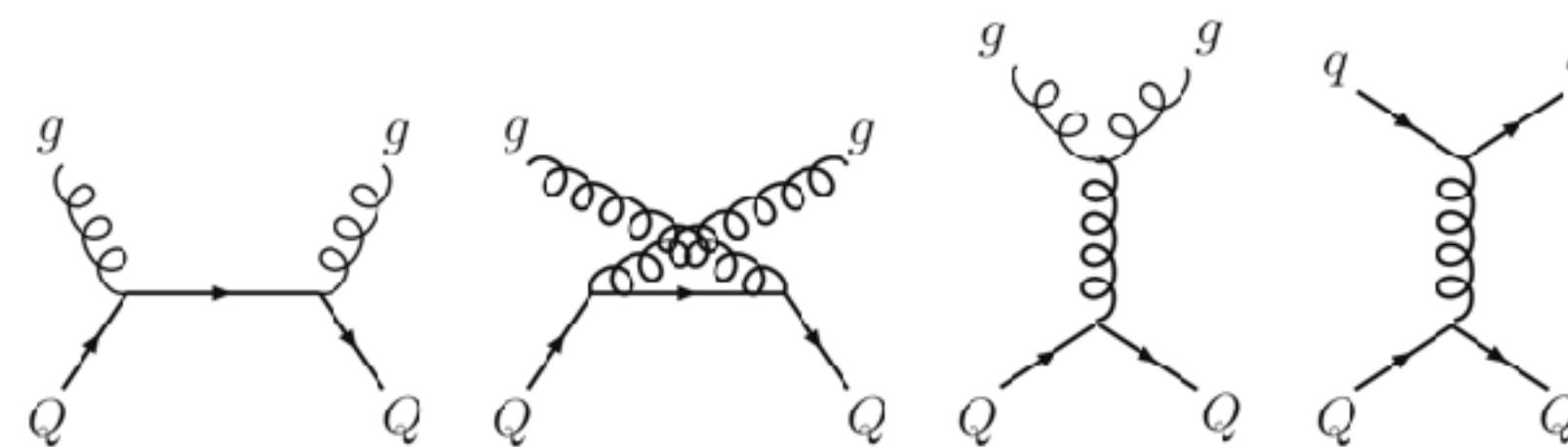
Flavor excitation dominates at low p_T while gluon splitting becomes important at high p_T .

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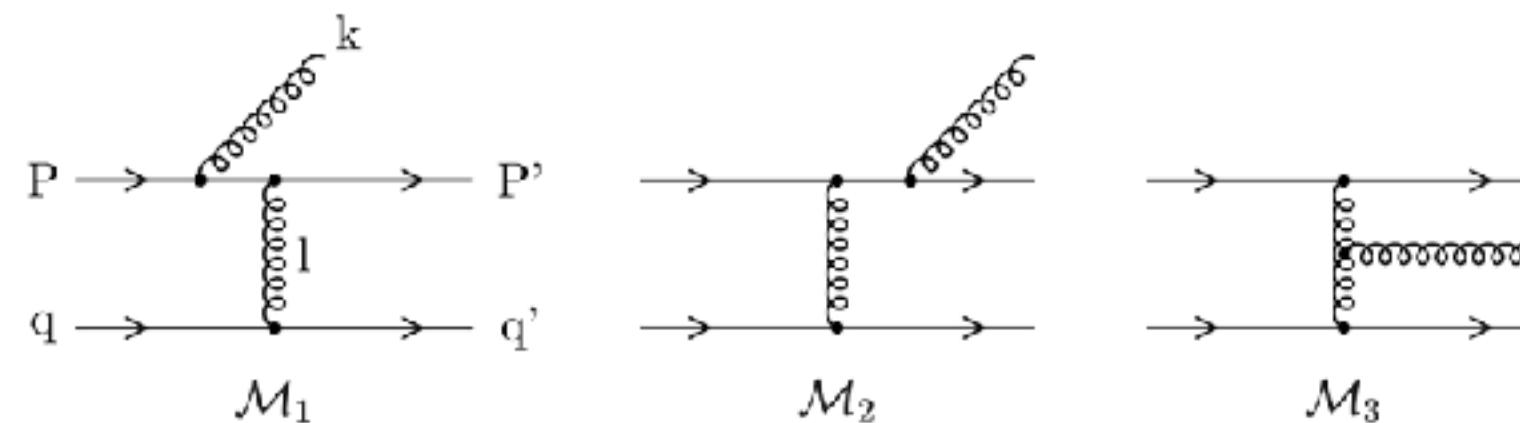
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EPOS4: heavy quark energy loss

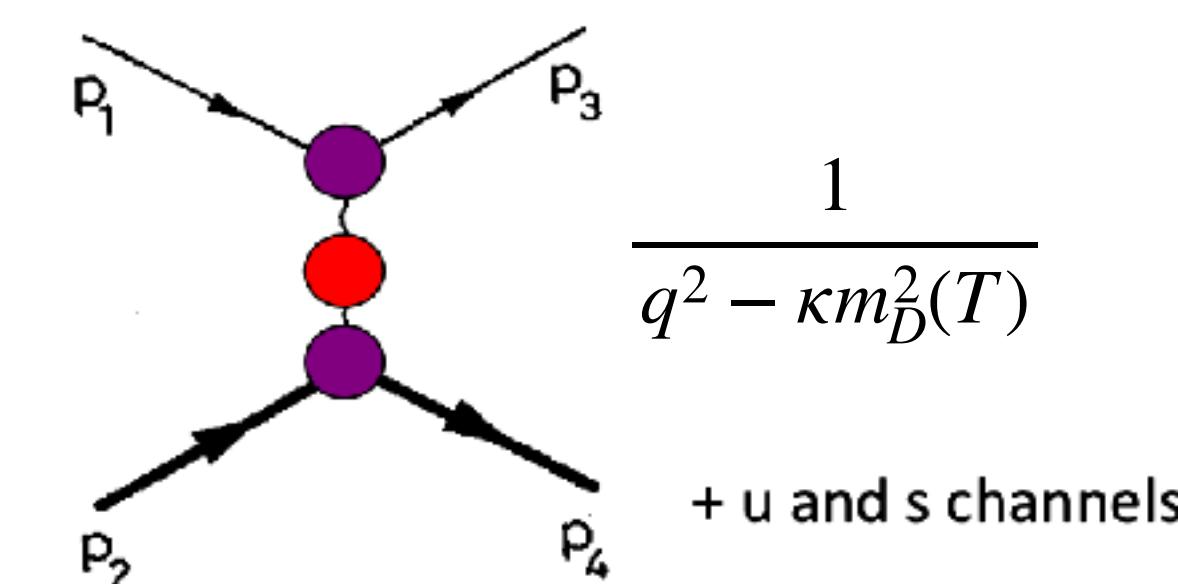
Heavy quark is treated as a Brownian particle and its evolution is described by the **Boltzmann equation**
 Both collisional and radiative energy loss are included



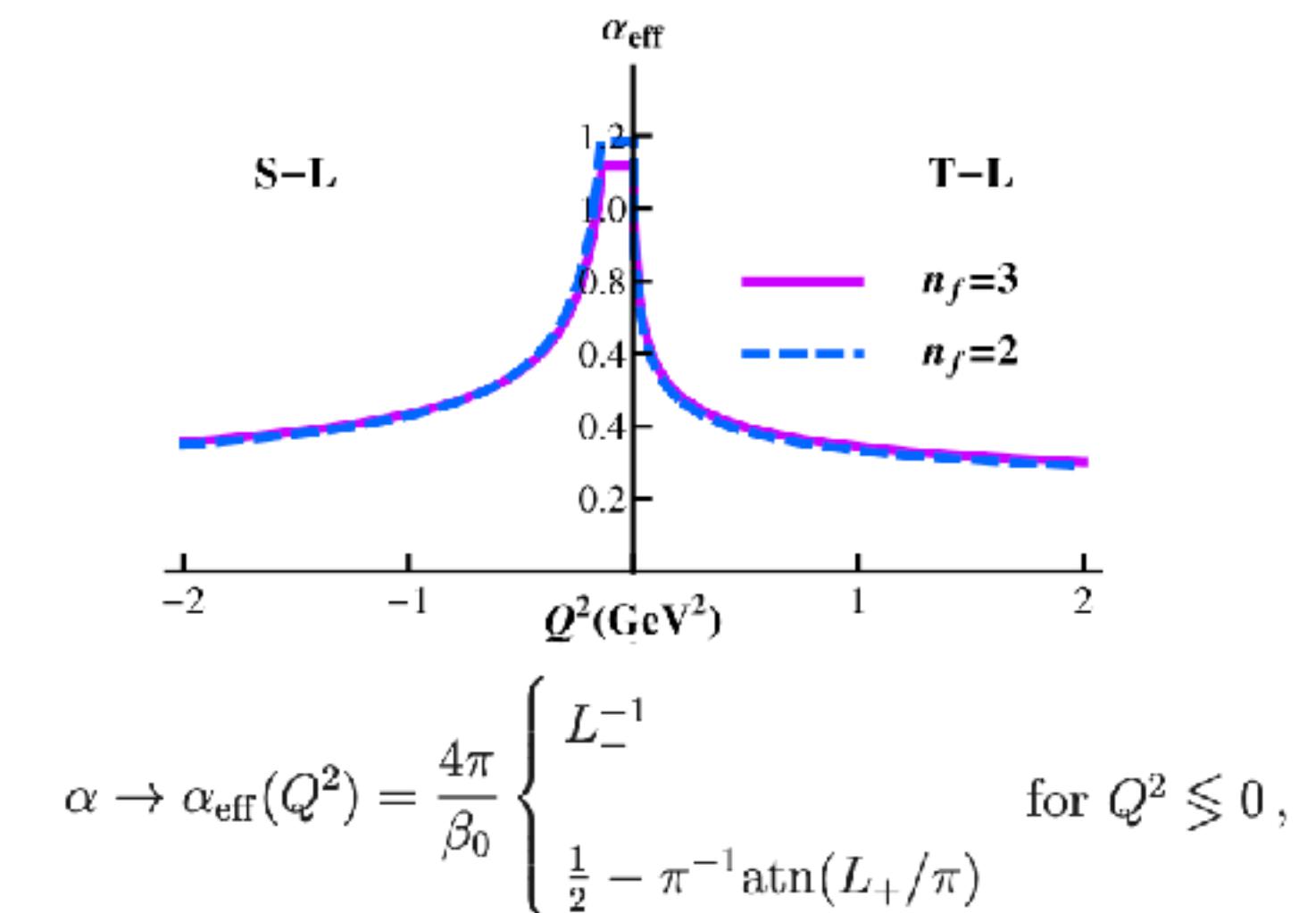
- IR regulator κm_D^2 , where m_D given by HTL
- Running coupling



- Extension of Gunion-Bertsch approximation (massless and high energy)
- LPM effect for moderate gluon energy



$$m_D^2(T) = \left(1 + \frac{N_f}{6}\right) 4\pi \alpha_s T^2$$



P.B. Gossiaux, J. Aichelin, Phys. Rev. C 78 (2008) 014904.

$$\frac{d\sigma_{II}^{Qq \rightarrow Qgq}}{dx d^2 k_t d^2 \ell_t} = \frac{d\sigma_{\text{el}}}{d^2 \ell_t} P_g(x, \vec{k}_t, \vec{\ell}_t) \Theta(\Delta).$$

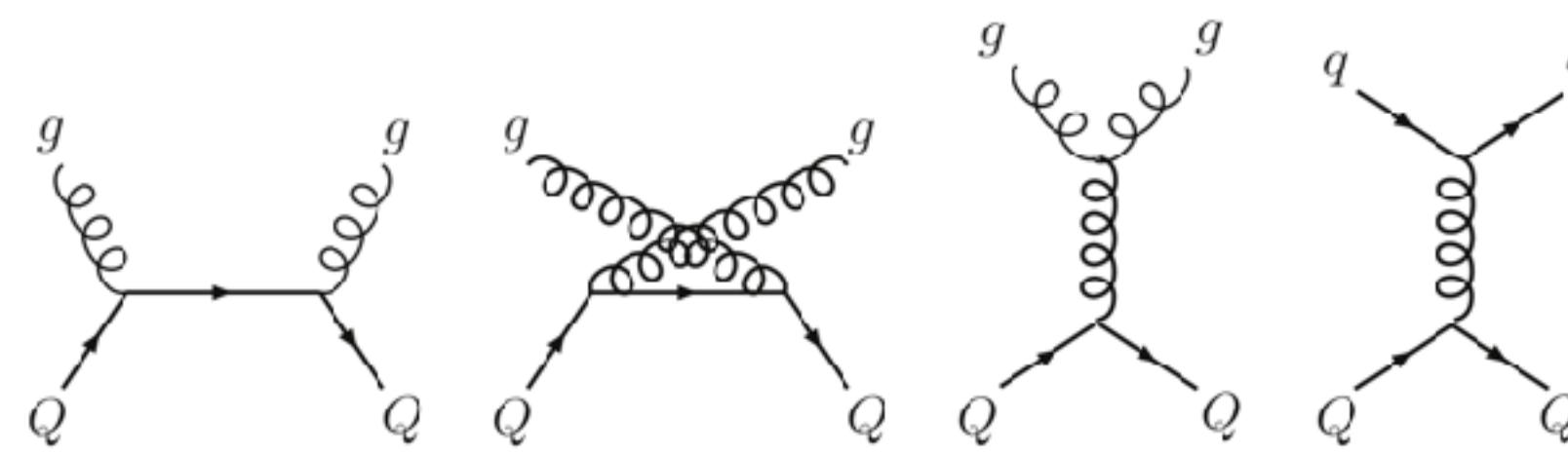
$$P_g(x, \vec{k}_t, \vec{\ell}_t; M) = \frac{C_A \alpha_s}{\pi^2} \frac{1-x}{x} \left(\frac{\vec{k}_t}{\vec{k}_t^2 + x^2 M^2} - \frac{\vec{k}_t - \vec{\ell}_t}{(\vec{k}_t - \vec{\ell}_t)^2 + x^2 M^2} \right)^2.$$

J. Aichelin, P. B. Gossiaux, and T. Gousset, Phys. Rev. D 89, 074018 (2014)

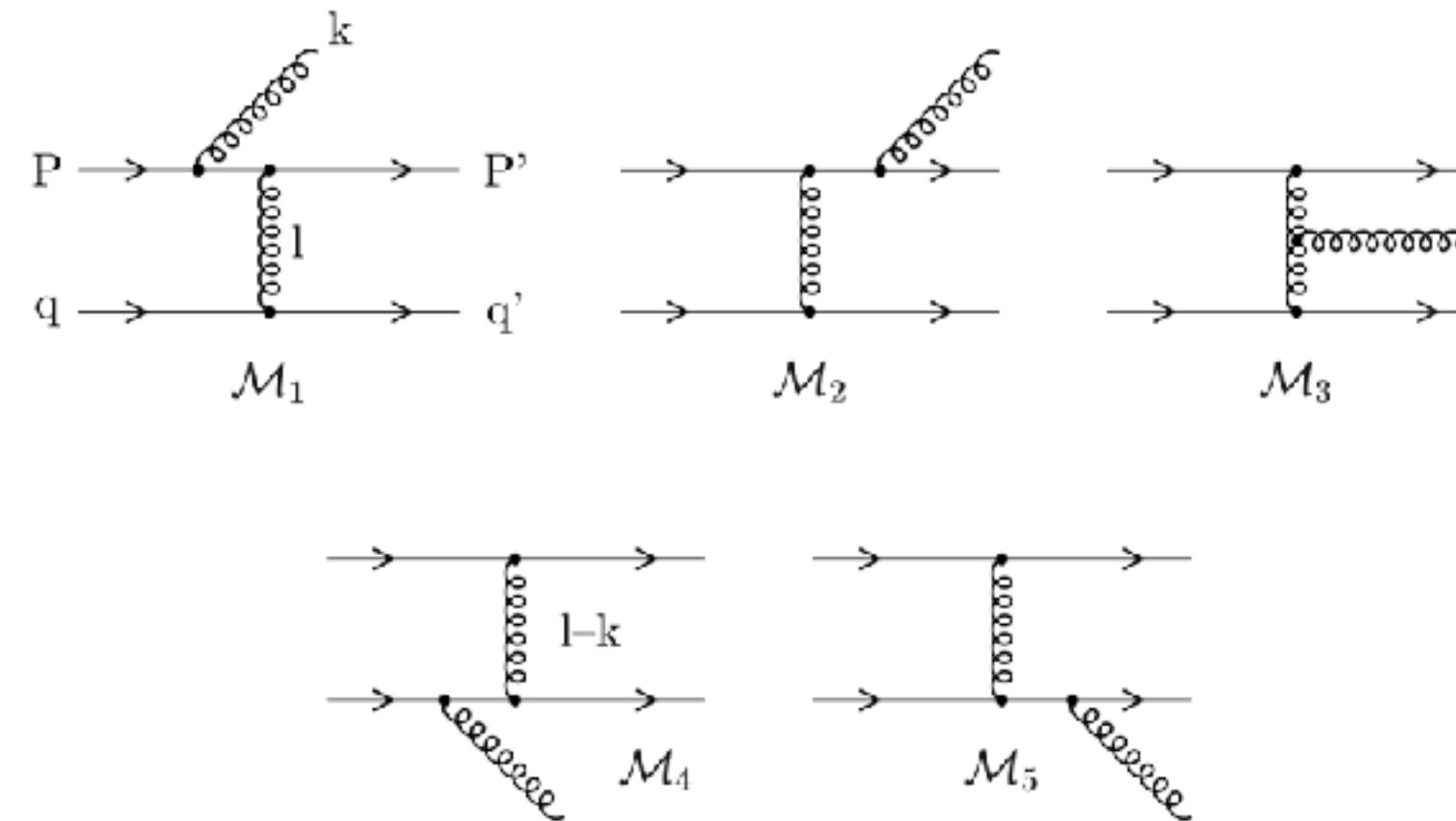
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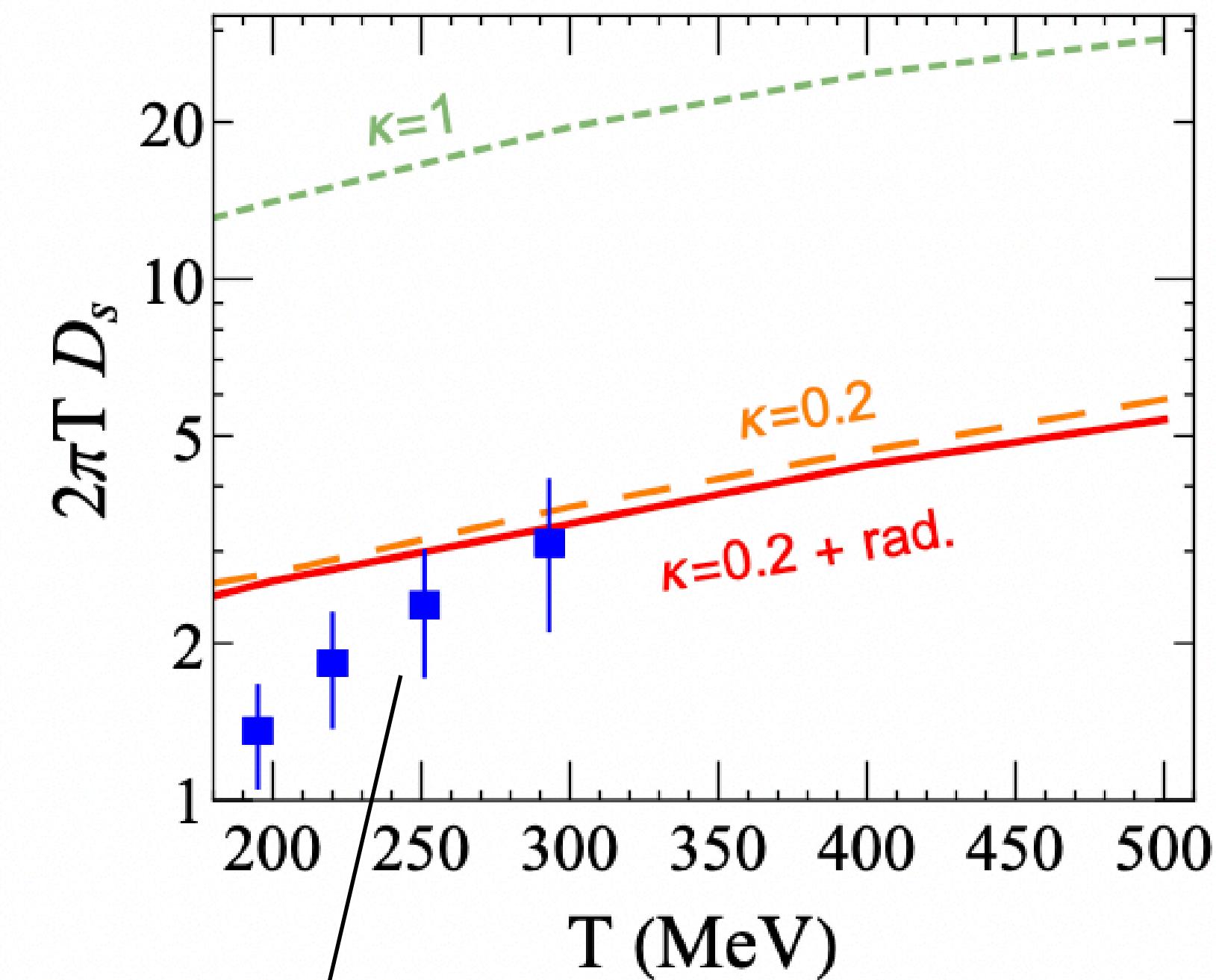
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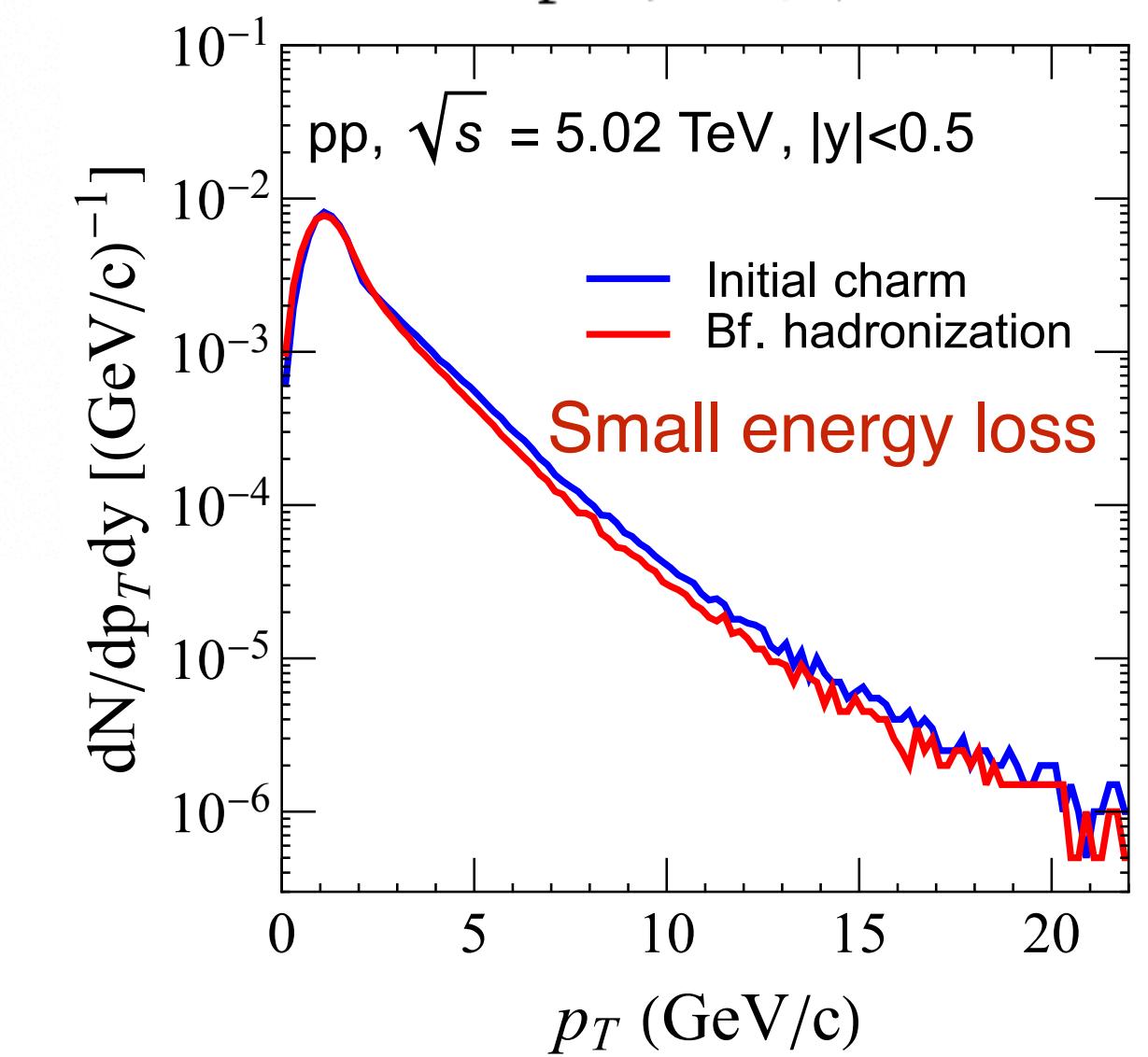
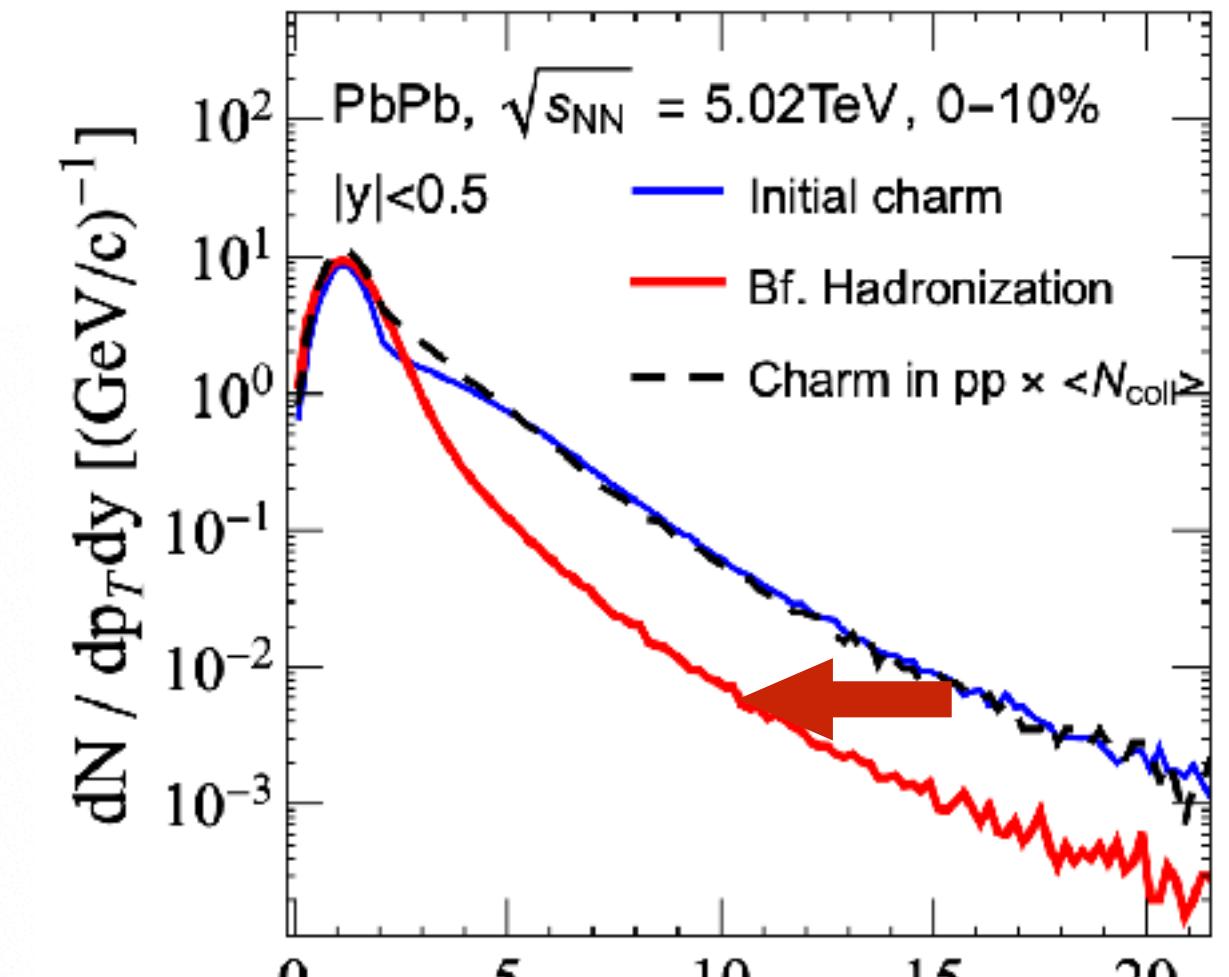


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Recent lattice results
with dynamic quarks

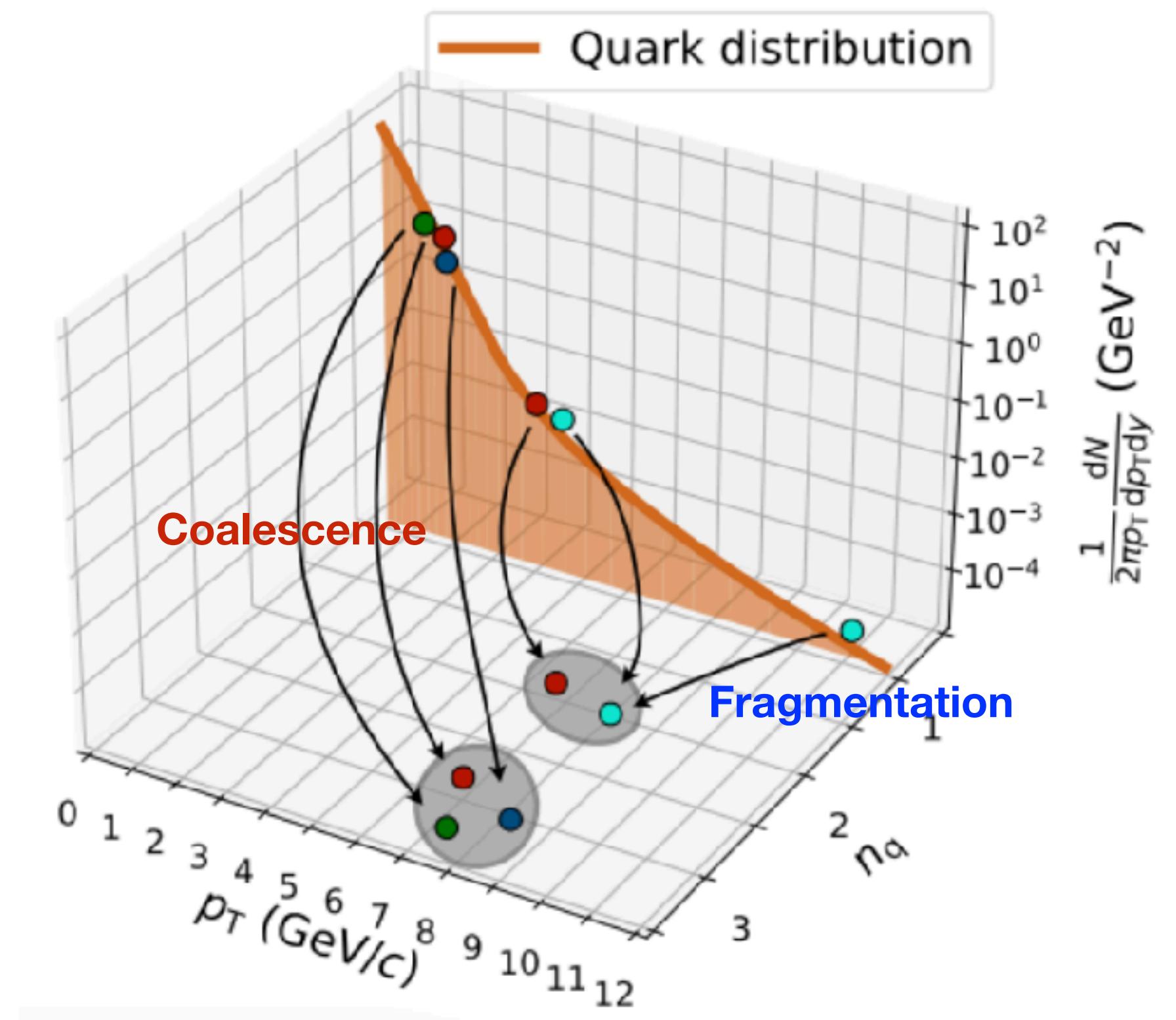
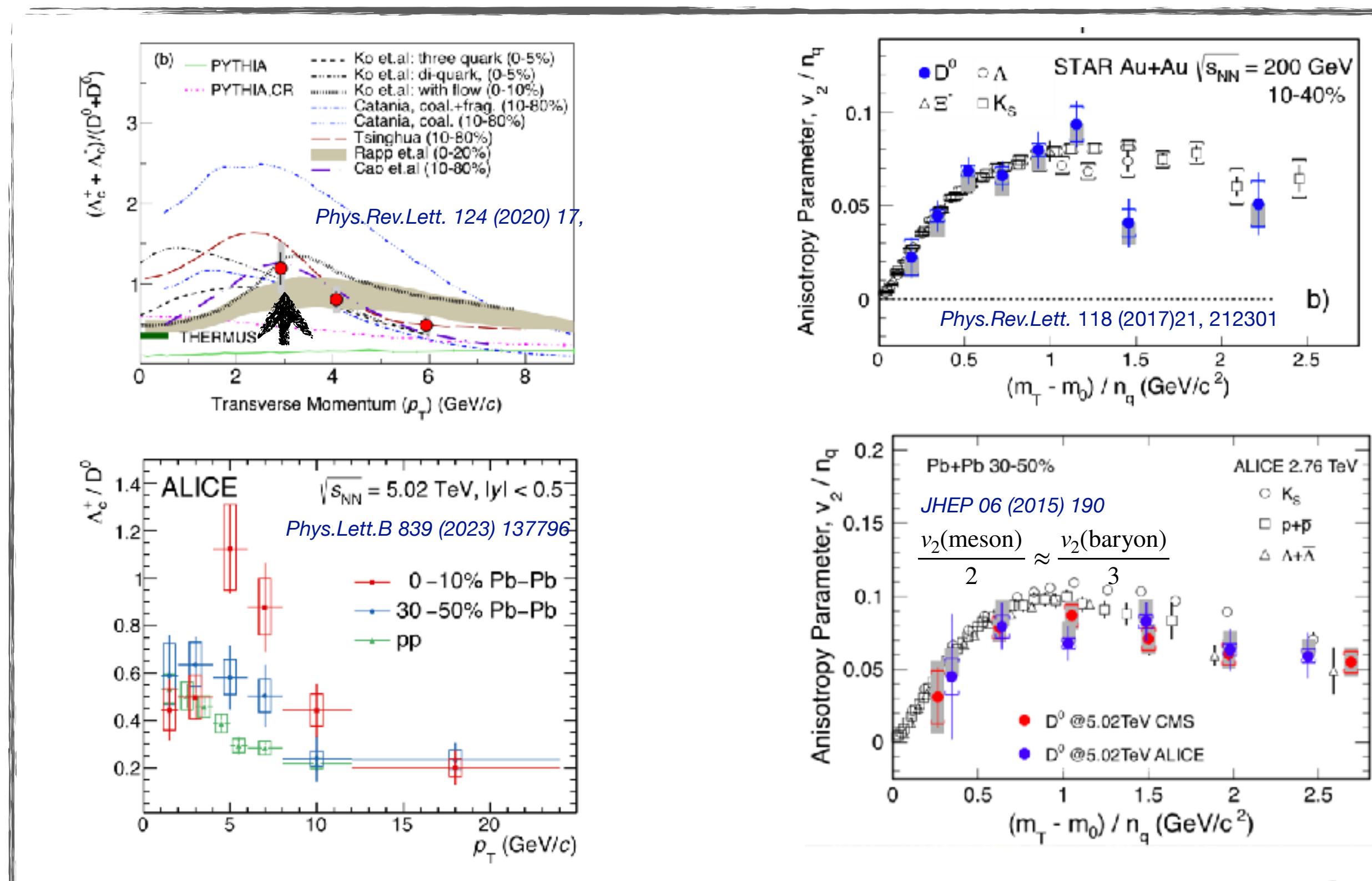
HotQCD Collaboration, Phys.Rev.Lett. 130 (2023) 23, 231902



EPOS4: heavy quark hadronization

When the local energy density is lower than the critical value ($T_{FO} \sim 165$ MeV)

Heavy quarks hadronize into heavy flavor hadrons!



- Enhancement Baryon / Meson Ratio • Quark Number Scaling of Elliptic flow

The heavy quark combines with the light quark(s), which are close together in phase space.

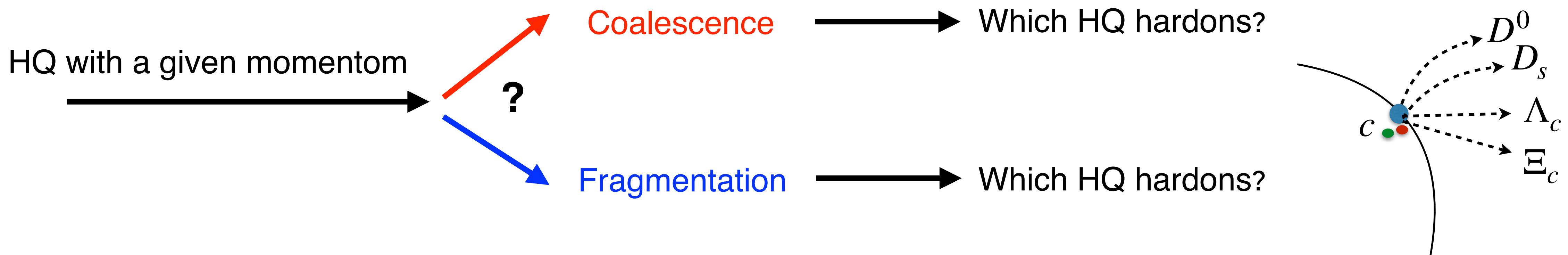
Low p_T heavy quark hadronizes by recombination while high p_T hadronizes by fragmentation.

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Heavy quarks hadronize via **coalescence** + **fragmentation** in EPOS4!



- Which fragmentation function?
- How to decide the fragmentation fraction?
- How to calculate the coalescence probability?
- How to decide the coalescence fraction?

EPOS4: heavy quark hadronization

→ Which fragmentation function?

Works well for e^+e^- , low energy pp ,...

$$\sigma_H \propto f_i^A(x_1, \mu_F) f_j^B(x_2, \mu_F) \otimes \sigma_{ij \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}+X} \otimes \mathcal{D}_{Q \rightarrow H}$$

HeavyQuarkEffectiveTheory-based Fragmentation:

pseudoscalar:

[M. Cacciari, P. Nason, and R. Vogt, Phys. Rev. Lett. 95, 122001 \(2005\)](#), [E. Braaten, K.-m. Cheung, S. Fleming, and T. C. Yuan, Phys. Rev. D 51, 4819 \(1995\)](#).

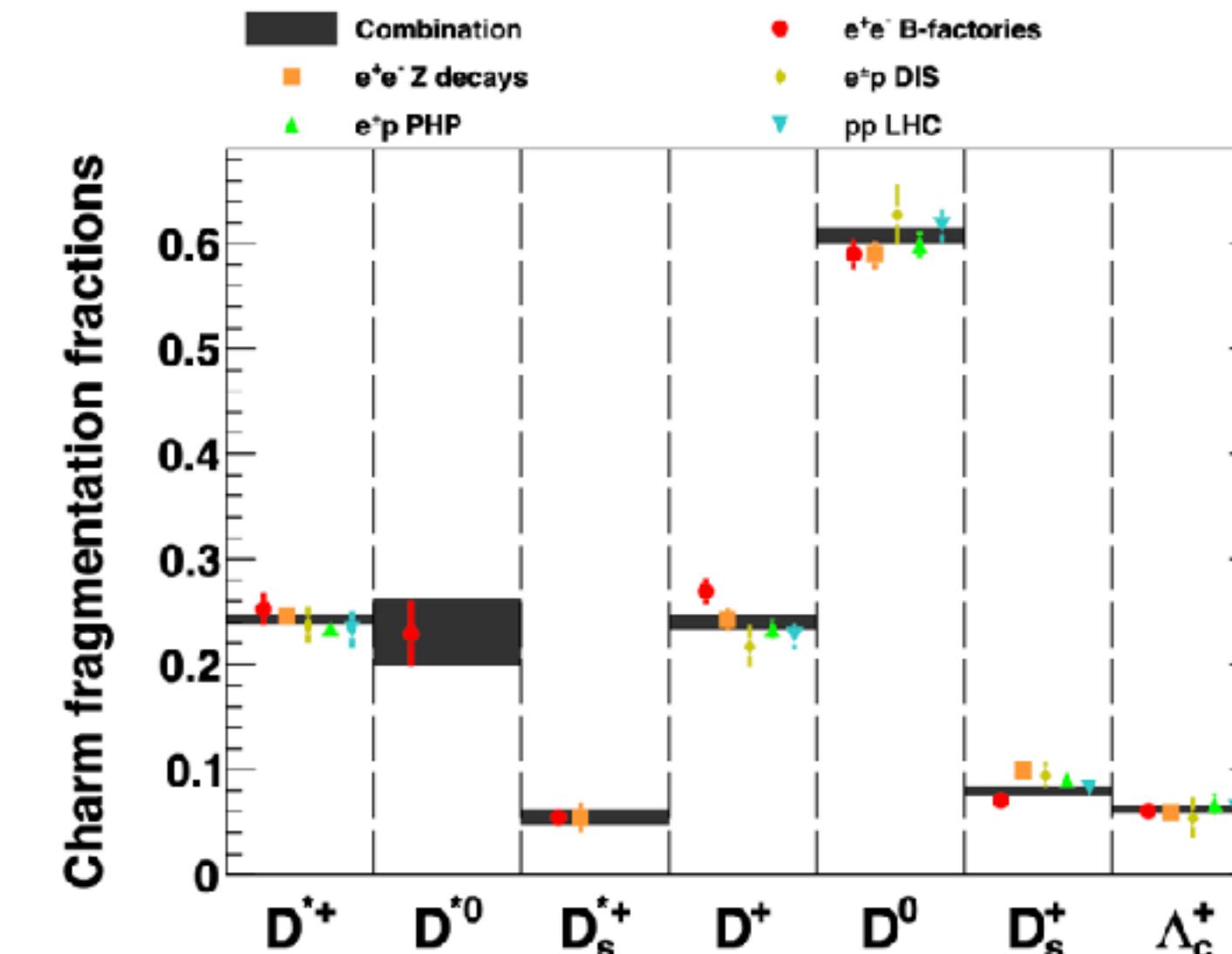
$$\mathcal{D}_{c \rightarrow P} \propto \frac{rz(1-z)^2}{[1-(1-r)z]^6} \left[6 - 18(1-2r)z + (21-74r+68r^2)z^2 - 2(1-r)(6-19r+18r^2)z^3 + 3(1-r)^2(1-2r+2r^2)z^4 \right]$$

vector meson:

$$\mathcal{D}_{c \rightarrow V} \propto \frac{rz(1-z)^2}{[1-(1-r)z]^6} \left[2 - 2(3-2r)z + 3(3-2r+4r^2)z^2 - 2(1-r)(4-r+2r^2)z^3 + 3(1-r)^2(3-2r+2r^2)z^4 \right]$$

→ How to decide the fragmentation fraction?

The fragmentation fraction has given by e^+e^-



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Charmed hadrons from PDG and RQM.

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Meson	M(MeV)	J^P	Meson	M(MeV)	J^P
D^\pm	1869.66 ± 0.05	0^-	D_s^\pm	1968.35 ± 0.07	0^-
D^0	1864.84 ± 0.05	0^-	$D_s^{*\pm}$	2112.2 ± 0.4	1^-
$D^{*0}(2007)$	2006.85 ± 0.05	1^-	$D_{s0}^{*\pm}(2317)$	2317.8 ± 0.5	0^+
$D^{*\pm}(2010)$	2010.26 ± 0.05	1^-	$D_{s1}^\pm(2460)$	2459.5 ± 0.6	1^+
$D_0^*(2300)$	2343 ± 10	0^+	$D_{s1}^\pm(2536)$	2535.11 ± 0.06	1^+
$D_1(2420)$	2422.1 ± 0.6	1^+	$D_{s2}^*(2573)$	2569.1 ± 0.8	2^+
$D_1^0(2430)$	2412 ± 9	1^+	$D_{s0}^+(2590)$	2591 ± 6	0^-
$D_2^*(2460)$	2461.1 ± 0.8	2^+	$D_{s1}^{*\pm}(2700)$	2714 ± 5	1^-
$D_0^0(2550)$	2549 ± 19	0^-	$D_{s1}^{*\pm}(2860)$	2859 ± 12	1^-
$D_1^{*0}(2600)$	2627 ± 10	1^-	$D_{s3}^{*\pm}(2860)$	2860.5 ± 0.6	3^-
$D^{*\pm}(2640)$	2637 ± 2	?	$D_{sJ}^\pm(3040)$	3044 ± 8	?
$D_2^0(2740)$	2747 ± 6	2^-			
$D_3^*(2750)$	2763.1 ± 3.2	3^-			
$D_1^{*0}(2760)$	2781 ± 18	1^-			
$D_0(3000)$	3214 ± 29	?			

Λ_c

Baryon	M(MeV)	J^P	Meson	M(MeV)	J^P
Λ_c^+	2286.46 ± 0.14	$1S(1/2)^+$	Λ_c	3747	$4D(3/2)^+$
$\Lambda_c^+(2765)$	2766.6 ± 2.4	? $2S(1/2)^+$	$\Lambda_c^+(2880)$	2881.63 ± 0.24	$1D(5/2)^+$
Λ_c	3130	$3S(1/2)^+$	Λ_c	3209	$2D(5/2)^+$
Λ_c	3437	$4S(1/2)^+$	Λ_c	3500	$3D(5/2)^+$
Λ_c	3715	$5S(1/2)^+$	Λ_c	3767	$4D(5/2)^+$
Λ_c	3973	$6S(1/2)^+$	Λ_c	3097	$1F(5/2)^-$
$\Lambda_c^+(2595)$	2592.25 ± 0.28	$1P(1/2)^-$	Λ_c	3375	$2F(5/2)^-$
$\Lambda_c^+(2910)$	2913.8 ± 5.6	? $2P(1/2)^-$	Λ_c	3646	$3F(5/2)^-$
Λ_c	3303	$3P(1/2)^-$	Λ_c	3900	$4F(5/2)^-$
Λ_c	3588	$4P(1/2)^-$	Λ_c	3078	$1F(7/2)^-$
Λ_c	3852	$5P(1/2)^-$	Λ_c	3393	$2F(7/2)^-$
$\Lambda_c^+(2625)$	2628.00 ± 0.15	$1P(3/2)^-$	Λ_c	3667	$3F(7/2)^-$
$\Lambda_c^+(2940)$	2939.6 ± 1.4	$2P(3/2)^-$	Λ_c	3922	$4F(7/2)^-$
Λ_c	3322	$3P(3/2)^-$	Λ_c	3270	$1G(7/2)^+$
Λ_c	3606	$4P(3/2)^-$	Λ_c	3546	$2G(7/2)^+$
Λ_c	3869	$5P(3/2)^-$	Λ_c	3284	$1G(9/2)^+$
$\Lambda_c^+(2860)$	2856.1 ± 2.0	$1D(3/2)^+$	Λ_c	3564	$2G(9/2)^+$
Λ_c	3189	$2D(3/2)^+$	Λ_c	3444	$1H(9/2)^-$
Λ_c	3480	$3D(3/2)^+$	Λ_c	3460	$1H(11/2)^-$

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Σ_c

Baryon	M(MeV)	J^P	Meson	M(MeV)	J^P
Σ_c^+	2443.97 ± 0.14	$1S(1/2)^+$	Σ_c	3161	$2P(5/2)^-$
Σ_c	2901	$2S(1/2)^+$	Σ_c	3475	$3P(5/2)^-$
Σ_c	3271	$3S(1/2)^+$	Σ_c	3757	$4P(5/2)^-$
Σ_c	3581	$4S(1/2)^+$	Σ_c	3041	$1D(1/2)^+$
Σ_c	3861	$5S(1/2)^+$	Σ_c	3370	$2D(1/2)^+$
$\Sigma_c(2520)$	2518.41 ± 0.22	$1S(3/2)^+$	Σ_c	3043	$1D(3/2)^+$
Σ_c	2936	$2S(3/2)^+$	Σ_c	3366	$2D(3/2)^+$
Σ_c^+	3293	$3S(3/2)^+$	Σ_c	3040	$1D(3/2)^+$
Σ_c	3598	$4S(3/2)^+$	Σ_c	3364	$2D(3/2)^+$
Σ_c	3873	$5S(3/2)^+$	Σ_c	3038	$1D(5/2)^+$
$\Sigma_c(2800)$	2801 ± 5	$1P(1/2)^-$	Σ_c	3365	$2D(5/2)^+$
Σ_c	3172	$2P(1/2)^-$	Σ_c	3023	$1D(5/2)^+$
Σ_c	3488	$3P(1/2)^-$	Σ_c	3349	$2D(5/2)^+$
Σ_c	3770	$4P(1/2)^-$	Σ_c	3013	$1D(7/2)^+$
Σ_c	2713	$1P(1/2)^-$	Σ_c	3342	$2D(7/2)^+$
Σ_c	3125	$2P(1/2)^-$	Σ_c	3288	$1F(3/2)^-$
Σ_c	3455	$3P(1/2)^-$	Σ_c	3283	$1P(5/2)^-$
Σ_c	3743	$4P(1/2)^-$	Σ_c	3254	$1P(5/2)^-$
Σ_c	2798	$1P(3/2)^-$	Σ_c	3253	$1F(7/2)^-$
Σ_c	3172	$2P(3/2)^-$	Σ_c	3227	$1F(7/2)^-$
Σ_c	3486	$3P(3/2)^-$	Σ_c	3209	$1F(9/2)^-$
Σ_c	3768	$4P(3/2)^-$	Σ_c	3495	$1G(5/2)^+$
Σ_c	2773	$1P(3/2)^-$	Σ_c	3483	$1G(7/2)^+$
Σ_c	3151	$2P(3/2)^-$	Σ_c	3444	$1G(7/2)^+$
Σ_c	3469	$3P(3/2)^-$	Σ_c	3442	$1G(9/2)^+$
Σ_c	3753	$4P(3/2)^-$	Σ_c	3410	$1G(9/2)^+$
Σ_c	2789	$1P(5/2)^-$	Σ_c	3386	$1G(11/2)^+$

Ξ_c

Baryon	M(MeV)	J^P	Meson	M(MeV)	J^P
Ξ_c'	2578.2 ± 0.5	$1S(1/2)^+$	Ξ_c	3303	$2P(5/2)^-$
$\Xi_c(2970)$	2964.3 ± 1.5	$2S(1/2)^+$	Ξ_c	3619	$3P(5/2)^-$
Ξ_c	3377	$3S(1/2)^+$	Ξ_c	3902	$4P(5/2)^-$
Ξ_c	3695	$4S(1/2)^+$	Ξ_c	3163	$1D(1/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3978	$5S(1/2)^+$	Ξ_c	3505	$2D(1/2)^+$
$\Xi_c(2645)$	2645.10 ± 0.3	$1S(3/2)^+$	Ξ_c	3167	$1D(3/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3026	$2S(3/2)^+$	Ξ_c	3506	$2D(3/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3396	$3S(3/2)^+$	Ξ_c	3160	$1D(3/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3709	$4S(3/2)^+$	Ξ_c	3497	$2D(3/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3989	$5S(3/2)^+$	Ξ_c	3166	$1D(5/2)^+$
Ξ_c	2936	$1P(1/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3504	$2D(5/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3313	$2P(1/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3153	$1D(5/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3630	$3P(1/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3493	$2D(5/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3912	$4P(1/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3147	$1D(7/2)^+$
Ξ_c	2854	$1P(1/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3486	$2D(7/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3267	$2P(1/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3418	$1F(3/2)^-$
Ξ_c	3598	$3P(1/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3408	$1F(5/2)^-$
Ξ_c	3887	$4P(1/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3394	$1F(5/2)^-$
Ξ_c	2935	$1P(3/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3393	$1F(7/2)^-$
Ξ_c	3311	$2P(3/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3373	$1F(7/2)^-$
Ξ_c	3628	$3P(3/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3357	$1F(9/2)^-$
Ξ_c	3911	$4P(3/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3623	$1G(5/2)^+$
Ξ_c	2912	$1P(3/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3608	$1G(7/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3293	$2P(3/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3584	$1G(7/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3613	$3P(3/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3582	$1G(9/2)^+$
Ξ_c	3898	$4P(3/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3558	$1G(9/2)^+$
Ξ_c	2929	$1P(5/2)^-$	Ξ_c	3536	$1G(11/2)^-$

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Ω_c^0	2695.2 ± 1.7	$1S(1/2)^+$	Ω_c	3427	$2P(5/2)^-$
$\Omega_c(2770)$	3088	$2S(1/2)^+$	Ω_c^+	3744	$3P(5/2)^-$
Ω_c	3489	$3S(1/2)^+$	Ω_c	4028	$4P(5/2)^-$
Ω_c	3814	$4S(1/2)^+$	Ω_c	3287	$1D(1/2)^+$
Ω_c	4102	$5S(1/2)^+$	Ω_c	3623	$2D(1/2)^+$
$\Omega_c(2770)$	2765.9 ± 2	$1S(3/2)^+$	Ω_c	3298	$1D(3/2)^+$
Ω_c	3123	$2S(3/2)^+$	Ω_c	3627	$2D(3/2)^+$
Ω_c	3510	$3S(3/2)^+$	Ω_c	3282	$1D(3/2)^+$
Ω_c	3830	$4S(3/2)^+$	Ω_c	3613	$2D(3/2)^+$
Ω_c	4114	$5S(3/2)^+$	Ω_c	3297	$1D(5/2)^+$
$\Omega_c(3000)$	3000.46 ± 0.25	$?1P(1/2)^-$	Ω_c	3626	$2D(5/2)^+$
Ω_c	3435	$2P(1/2)^-$	Ω_c	3283	$1D(5/2)^+$
Ω_c	3754	$3P(1/2)^-$	Ω_c	3614	$2D(5/2)^+$
Ω_c	4037	$4P(1/2)^-$	Ω_c	3283	$1D(7/2)^+$
Ω_c	2966	$1P(1/2)^-$	Ω_c	3611	$2D(7/2)^+$
Ω_c	3384	$2P(1/2)^-$	Ω_c	3533	$1F(3/2)^-$
Ω_c	3717	$3P(1/2)^-$	Ω_c	3522	$1F(5/2)^-$
Ω_c	4009	$4P(1/2)^-$	Ω_c	3515	$1F(5/2)^-$
Ω_c	3054	$1P(3/2)^-$	Ω_c	3514	$1F(7/2)^-$
Ω_c	3433	$2P(3/2)^-$	Ω_c	3498	$1F(7/2)^-$
Ω_c	3752	$3P(3/2)^-$	Ω_c	3485	$1F(9/2)^-$
Ω_c	4036	$4P(3/2)^-$	Ω_c	3739	$1G(5/2)^+$
Ω_c	3029	$1P(3/2)^-$	Ω_c	3721	$1G(7/2)^+$
Ω_c	3415	$2P(3/2)^-$	Ω_c	3707	$1G(7/2)^+$
Ω_c	3737	$3P(3/2)^-$	Ω_c	3705	$1G(9/2)^+$
Ω_c	4023	$4P(3/2)^-$	Ω_c	3685	$1G(9/2)^+$
Ω_c	3051	$1P(5/2)^-$	Ω_c	3665	$1G(11/2)^+$

EPOS4: heavy quark hadronization

→ How to calculate the coalescence probability?

Ground states Wigner density:

$$W(r, p) = \int d^4y e^{-ipy} \psi(r + \frac{y}{2}) \psi(r - \frac{y}{2}) \quad \text{Wavefunction}$$

$$W(p_r) = (2\sqrt{\pi}\sigma)^3 e^{-\sigma^2 p_r^2} \quad \text{Width is given by the potential model} \quad \langle r^2 \rangle = \frac{3}{2} \frac{m_c^2 + m_q^2}{(m_c + m_q)^2} \sigma^2$$

$$\frac{dN}{d^3\mathbf{P}} = g_H \sum_{N_Q} \int \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{d^3p_i}{(2\pi)^3} f(\mathbf{p}_i) W_H(\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_i) \delta^{(3)}\left(\mathbf{P} - \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{p}_i\right), \quad \text{thermal light quark distribution}$$

Excited states are involved via the thermal ratio:

$$n_i = \frac{g_i}{2\pi^2} T_{\text{FO}} m_i^2 K_2\left(\frac{m_i}{T_{\text{FO}}}\right)$$

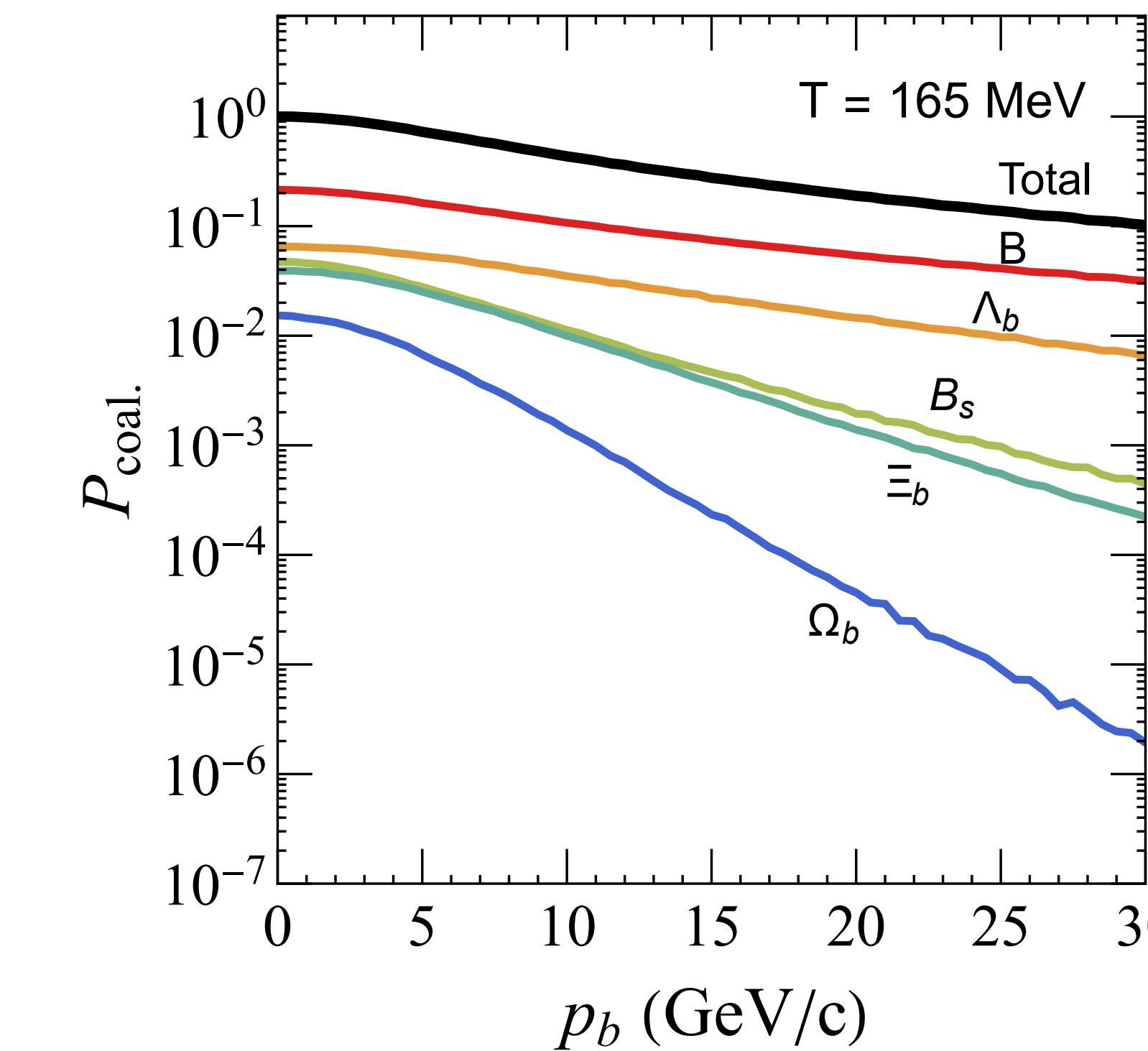
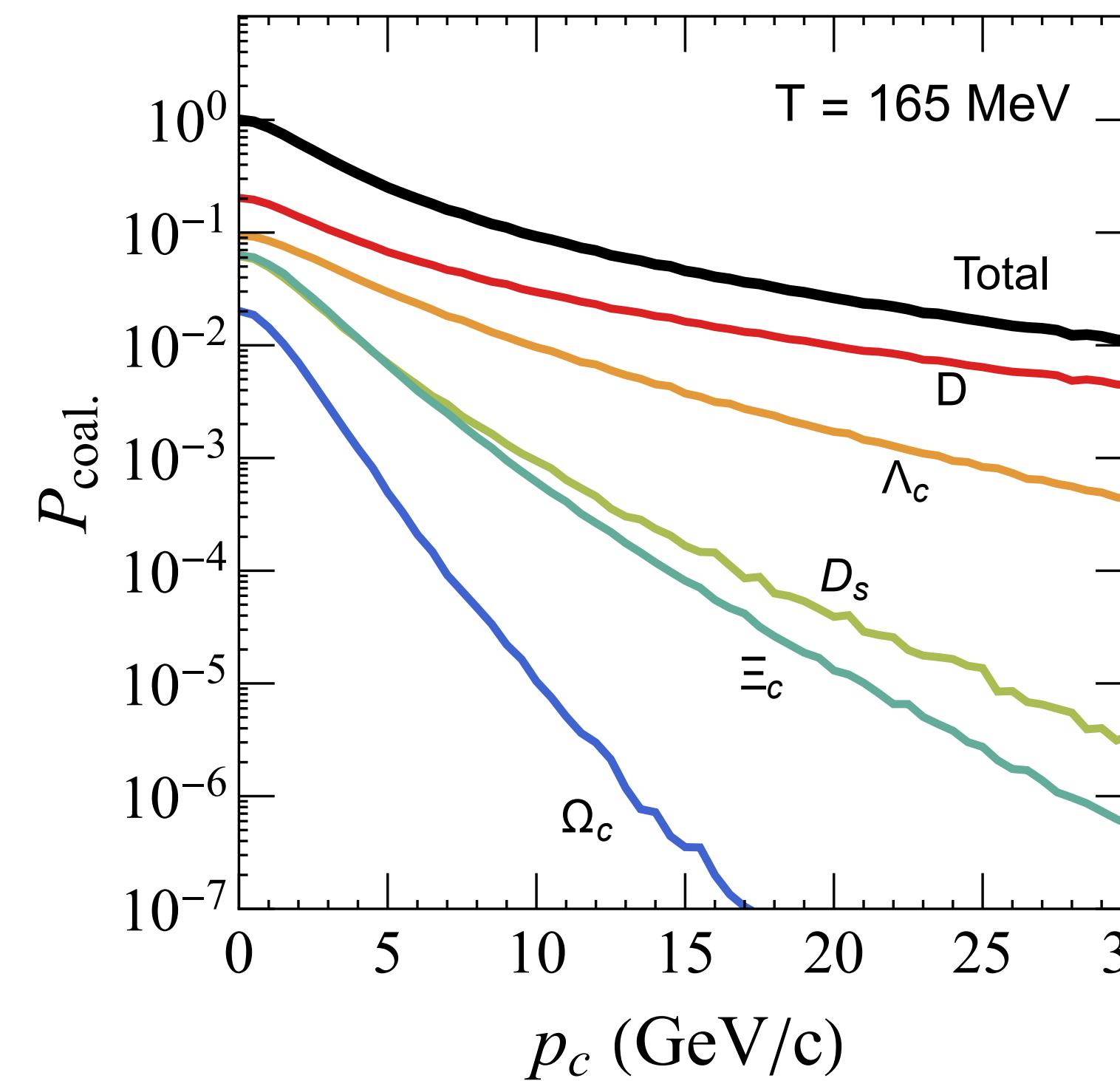
$$R^i = n_{\text{excited}}^i / n_{\text{ground}} \quad P^i(p) = R^i \times P_{\text{ground}}(p)$$

→ How to decide the coalescence fraction?

Sample a random number and choose the hadron to coalescence based on their coalescence probability.

EPOS4: heavy quark hadronization

We include almost all hadrons (missing baryons predicted by the potential model; except the rare HF hadrons)

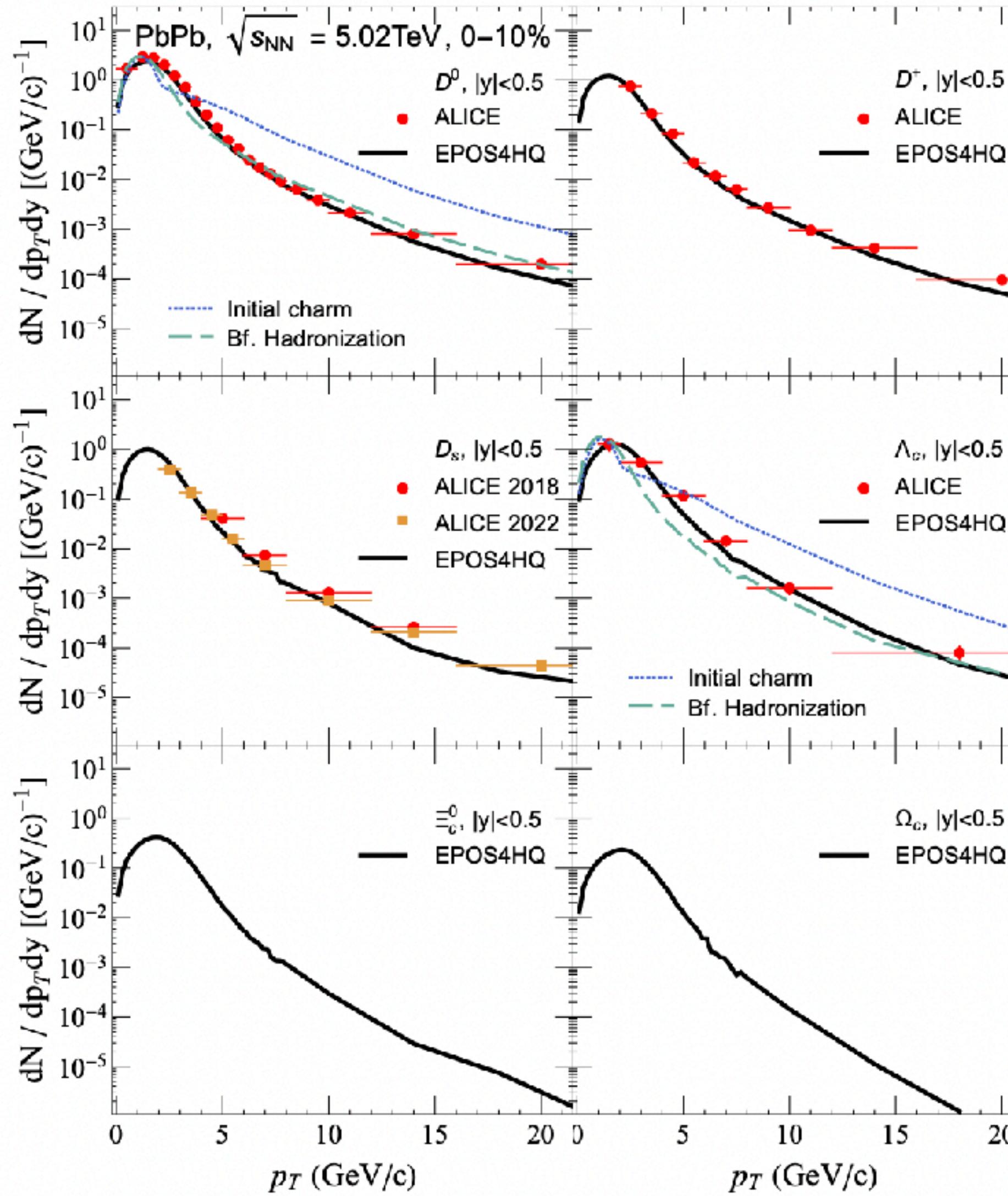
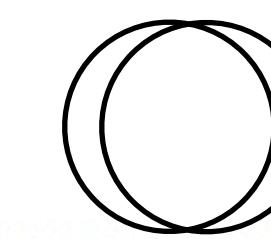


$1 - P_{\text{coal.}}$ for fragmentation

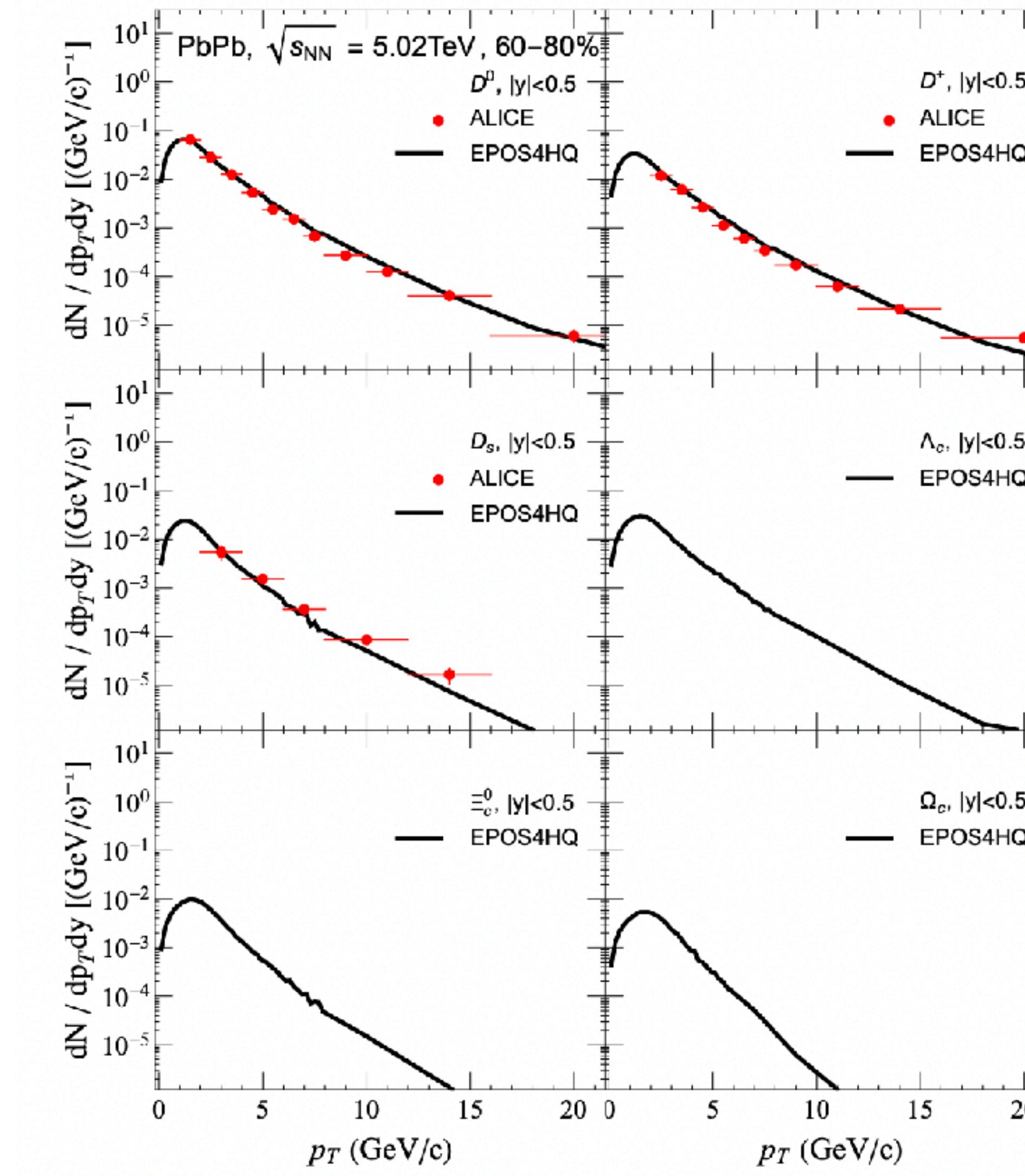
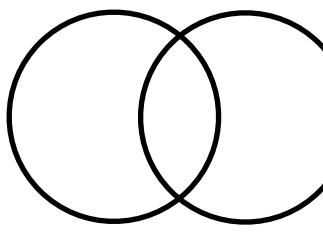
After hadronization, evolution in hadronic phase \rightarrow UrQMD

EPOS4: @ Large system (AA)

Central collisions

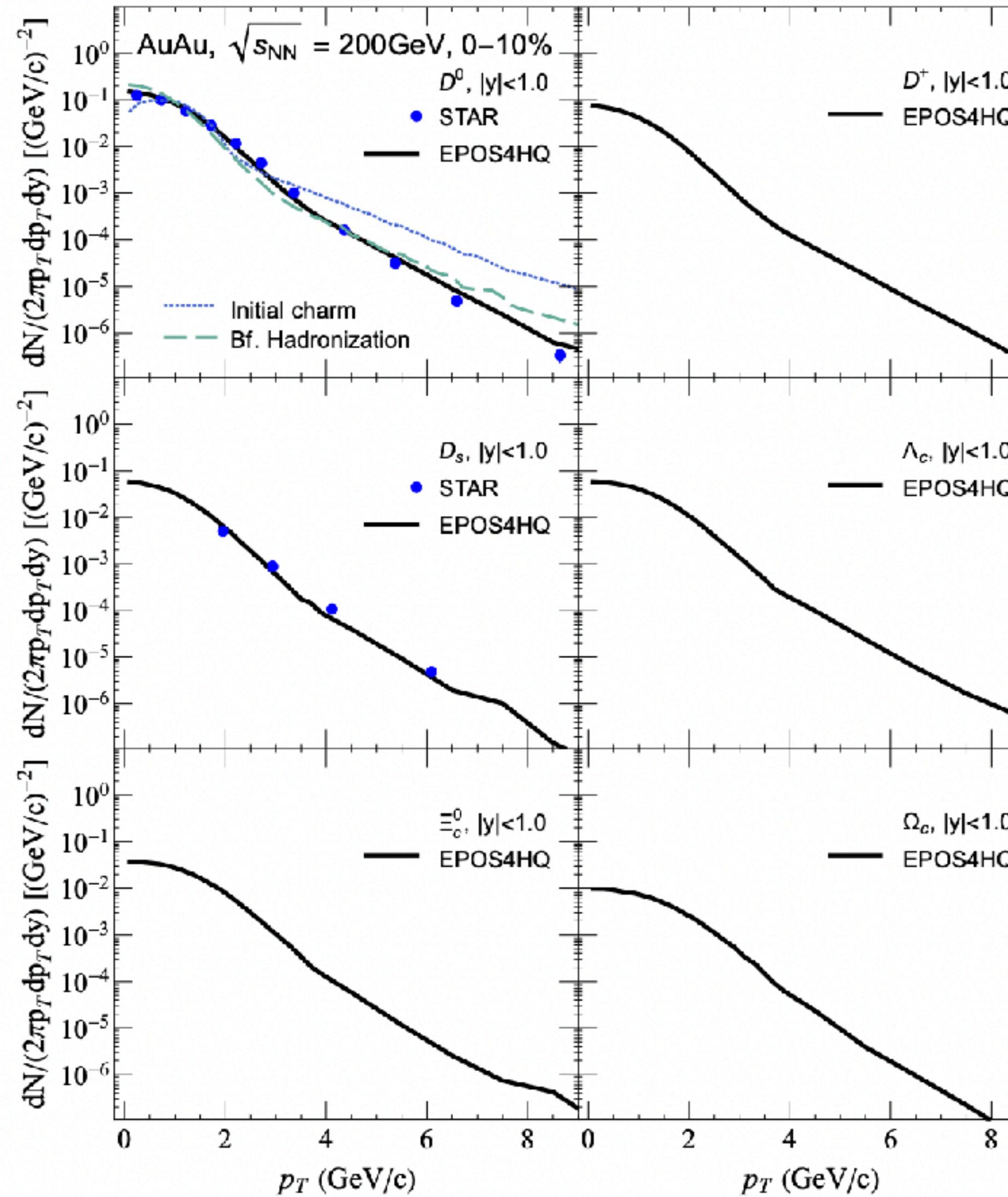


Peripheral collisions

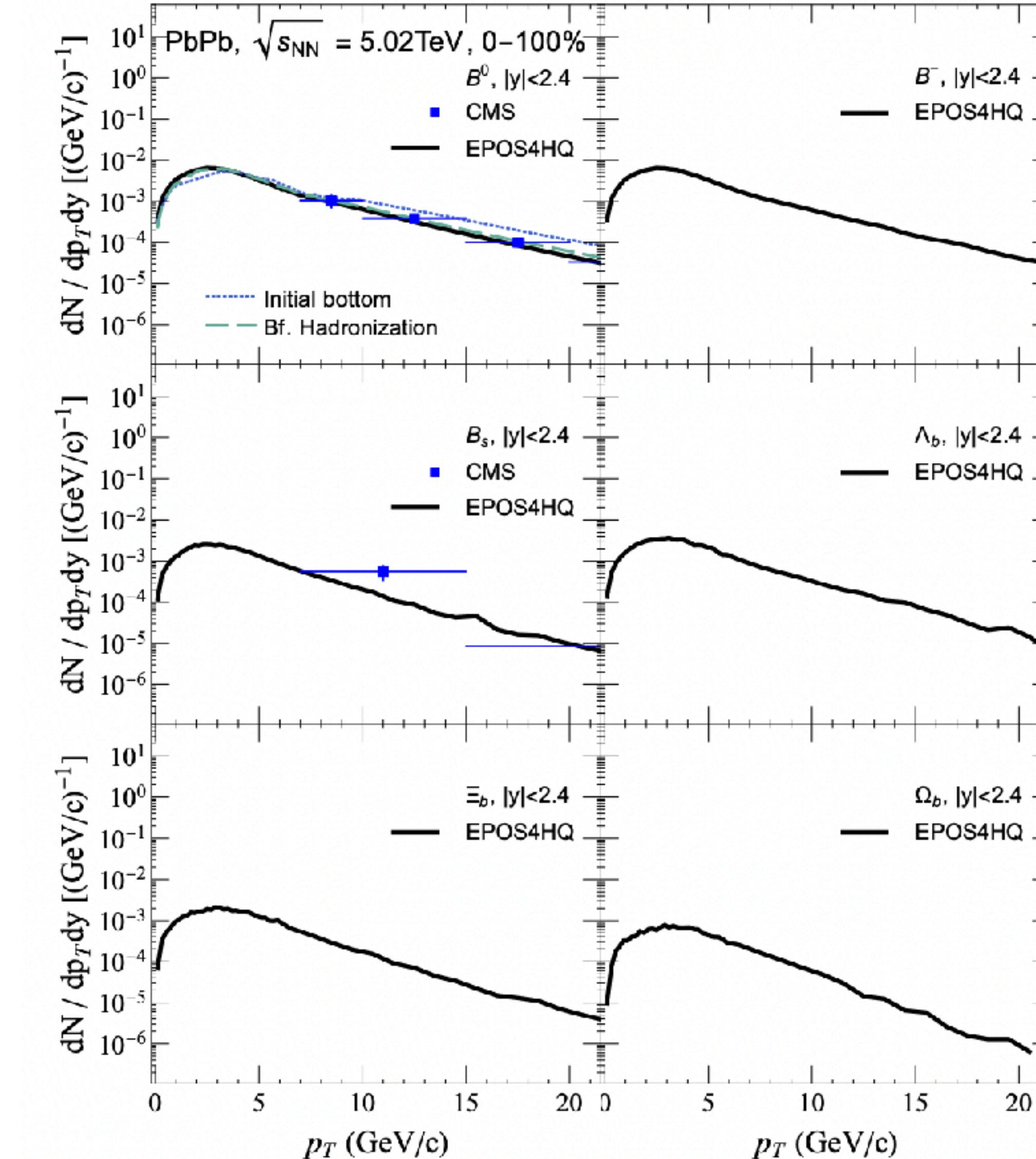


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RHIC energy

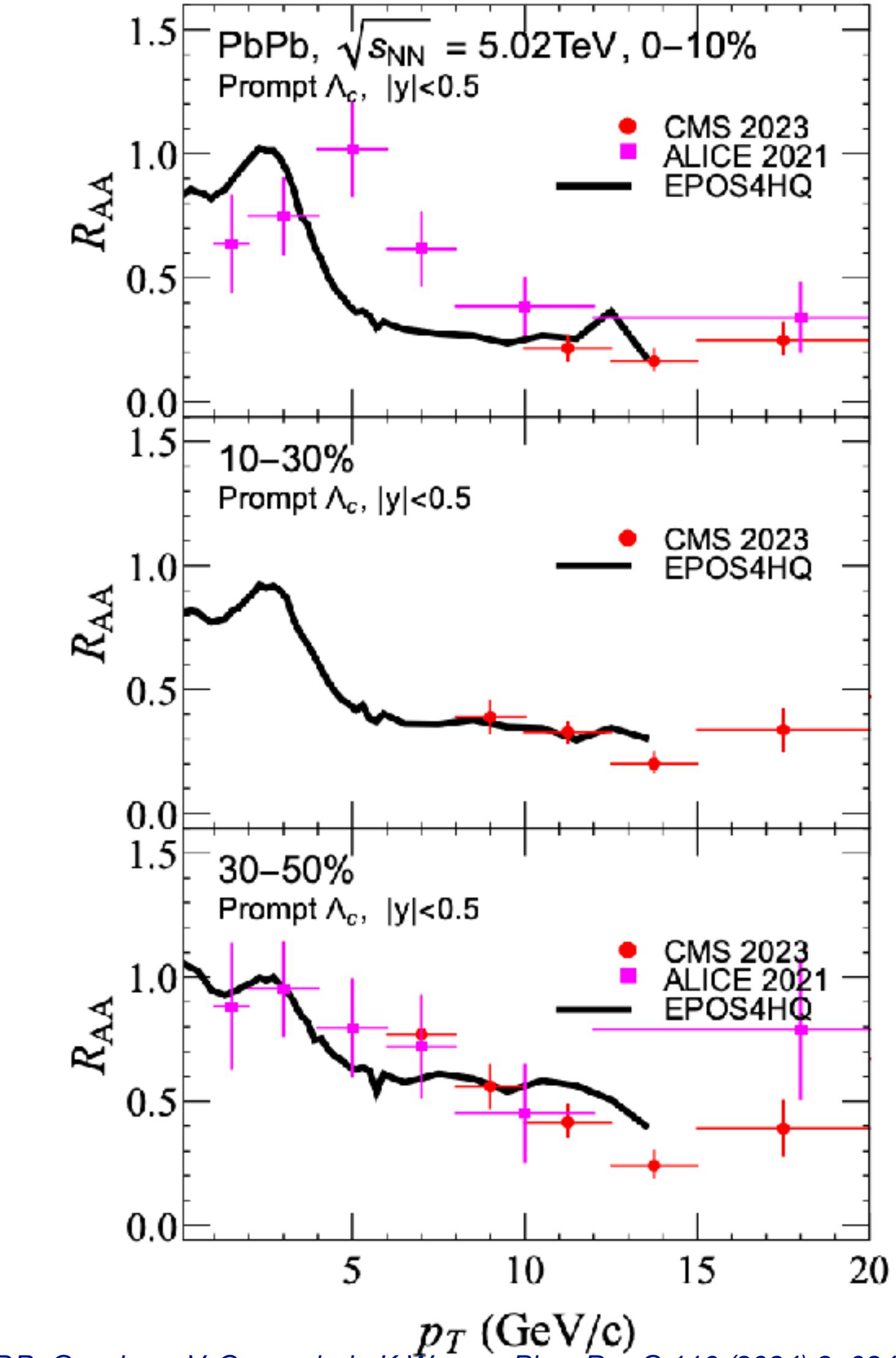
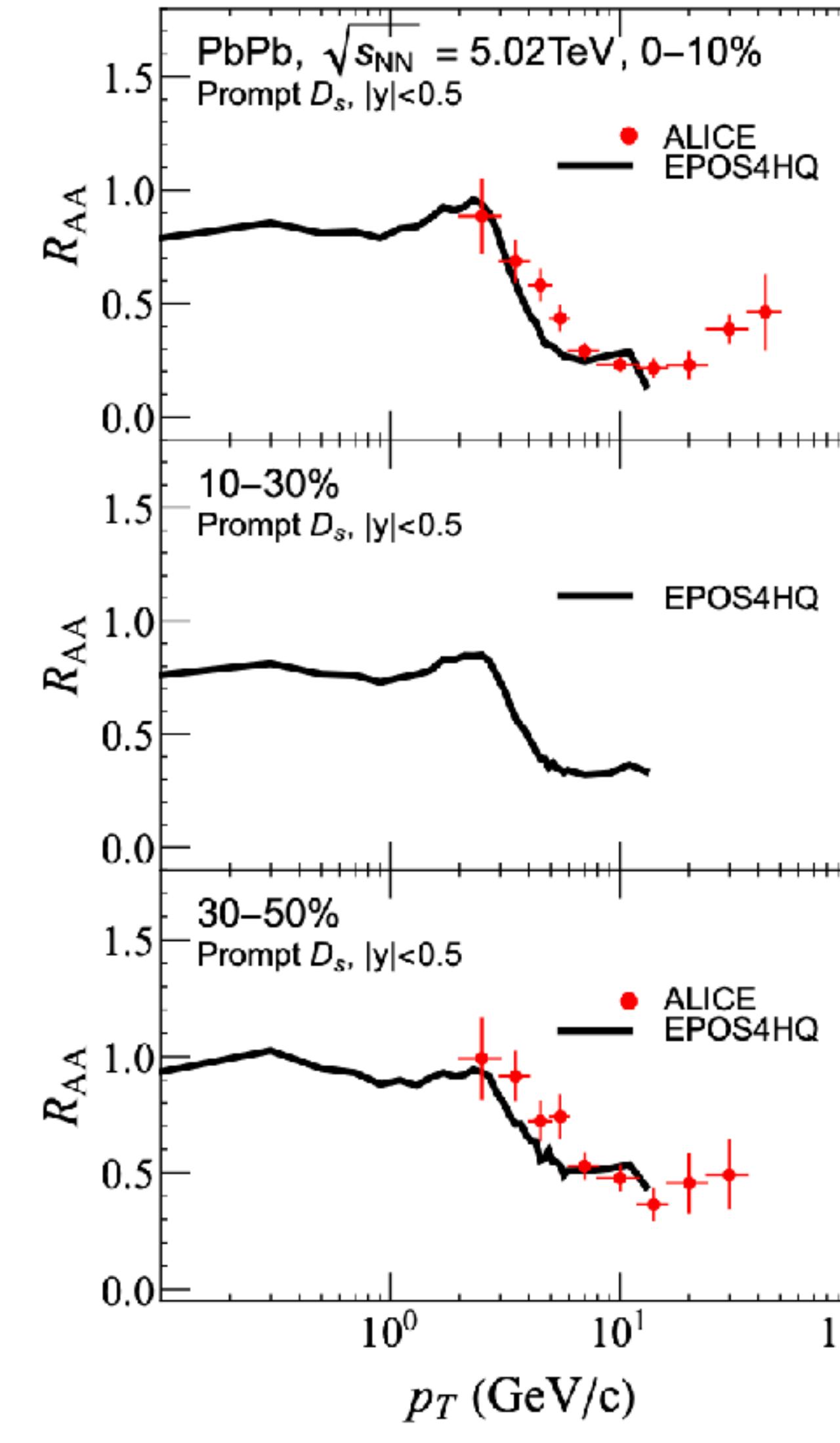
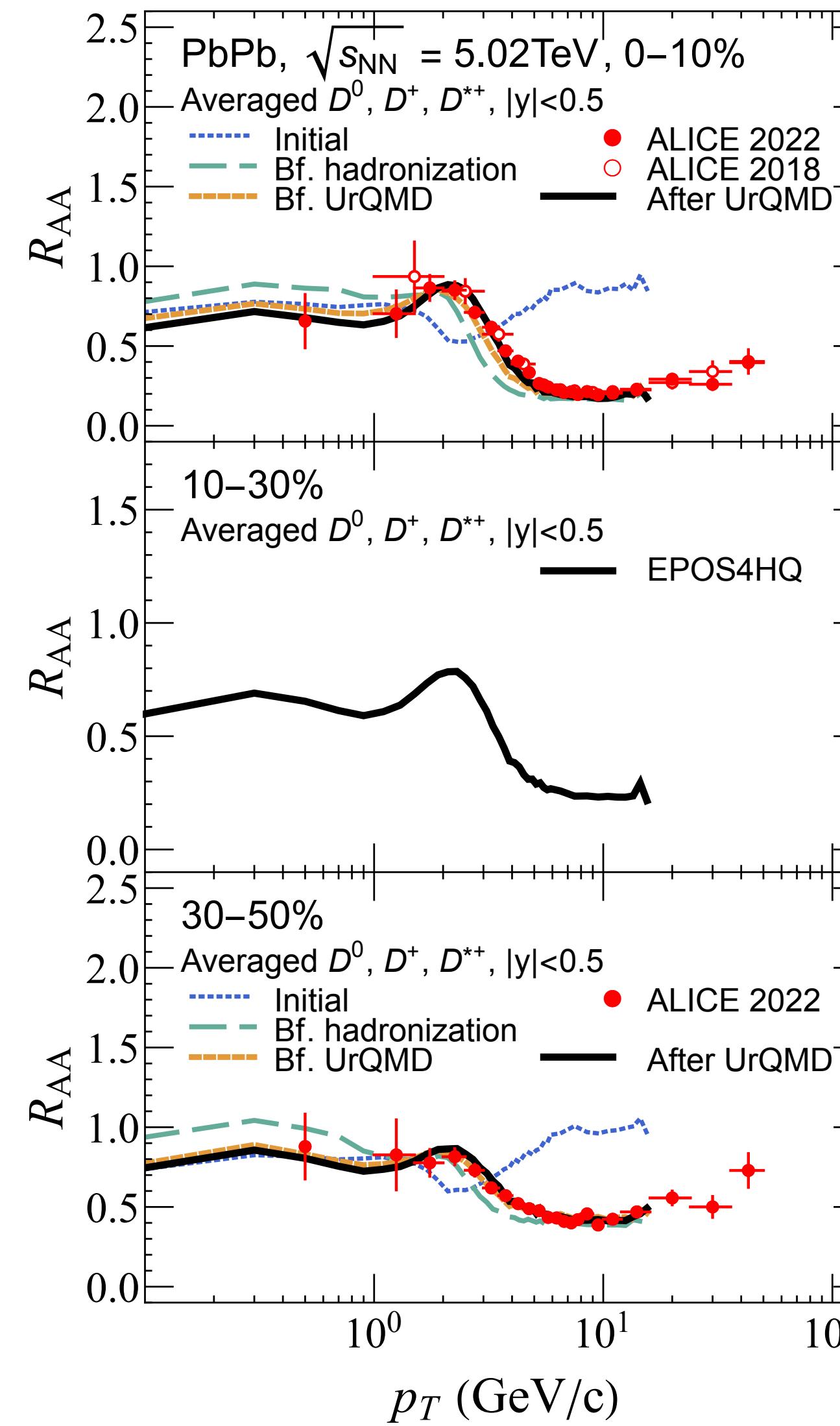


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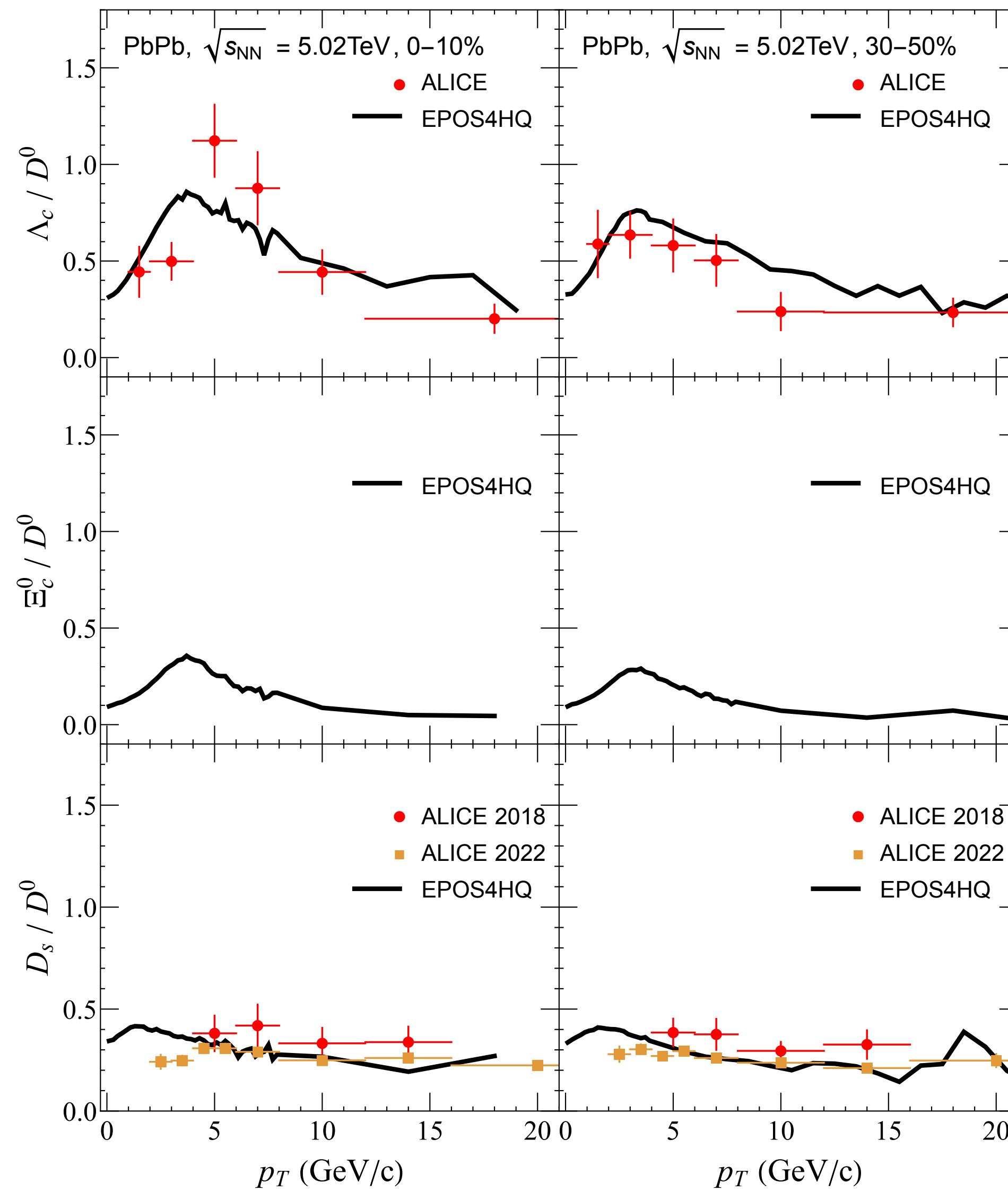
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$$R_{AA} = \frac{dN^{AA}/dp_T}{N_{\text{coll}} dN^{pp}/dp_T}$$



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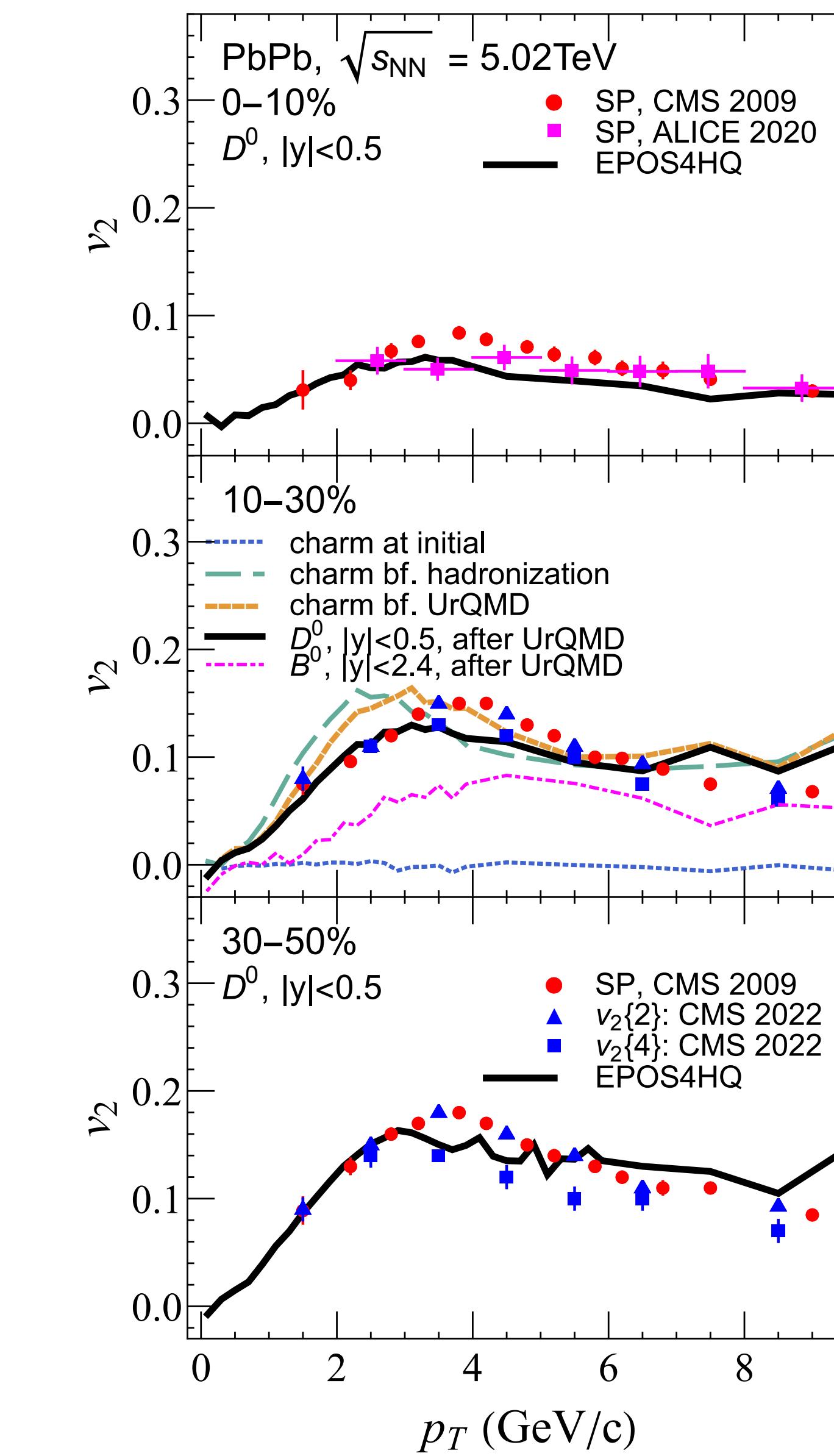
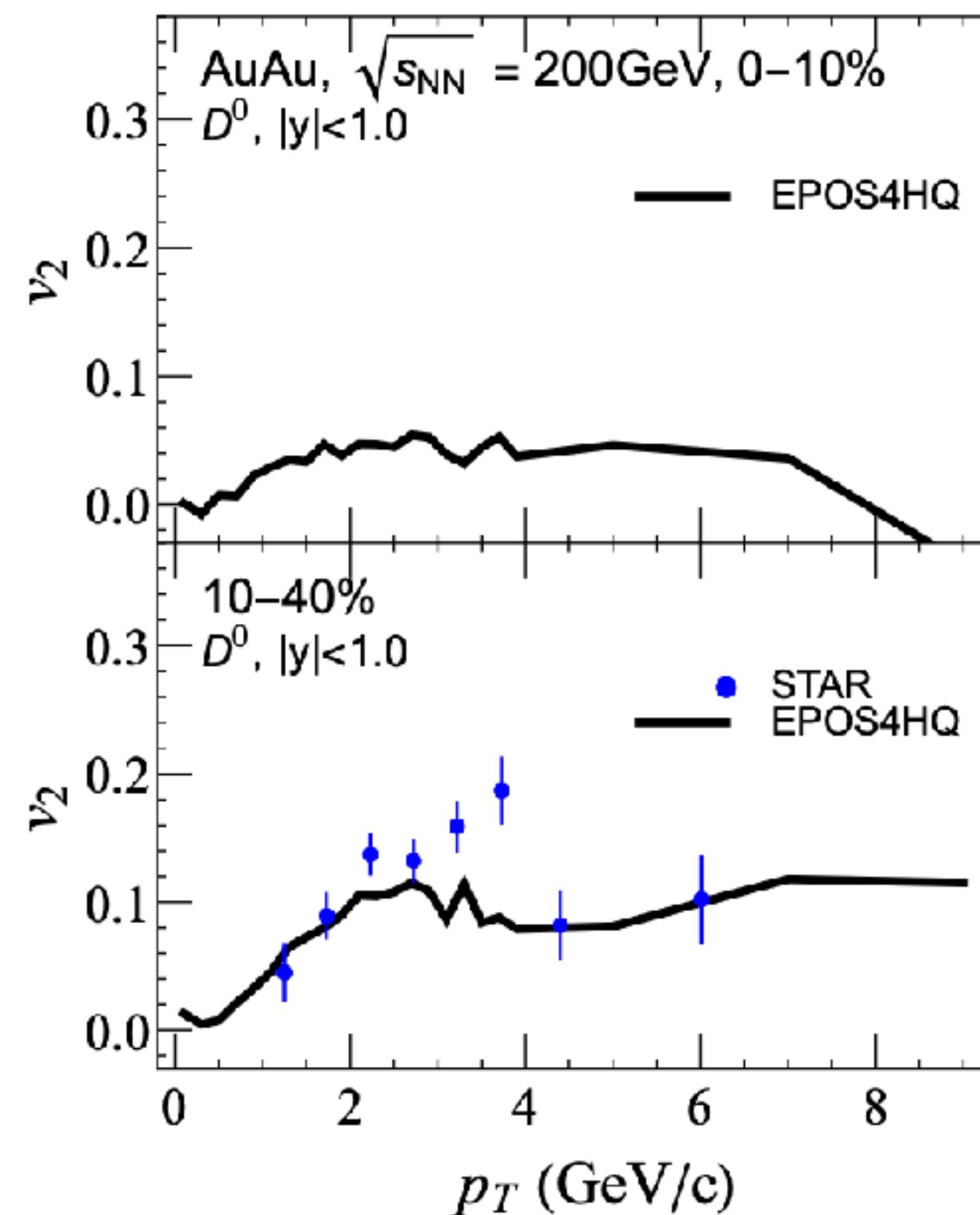
Yield ratios



EPOS4: @ Large system (AA)

$$v_2 = \langle \cos[2(\phi - \Psi_2)] \rangle$$

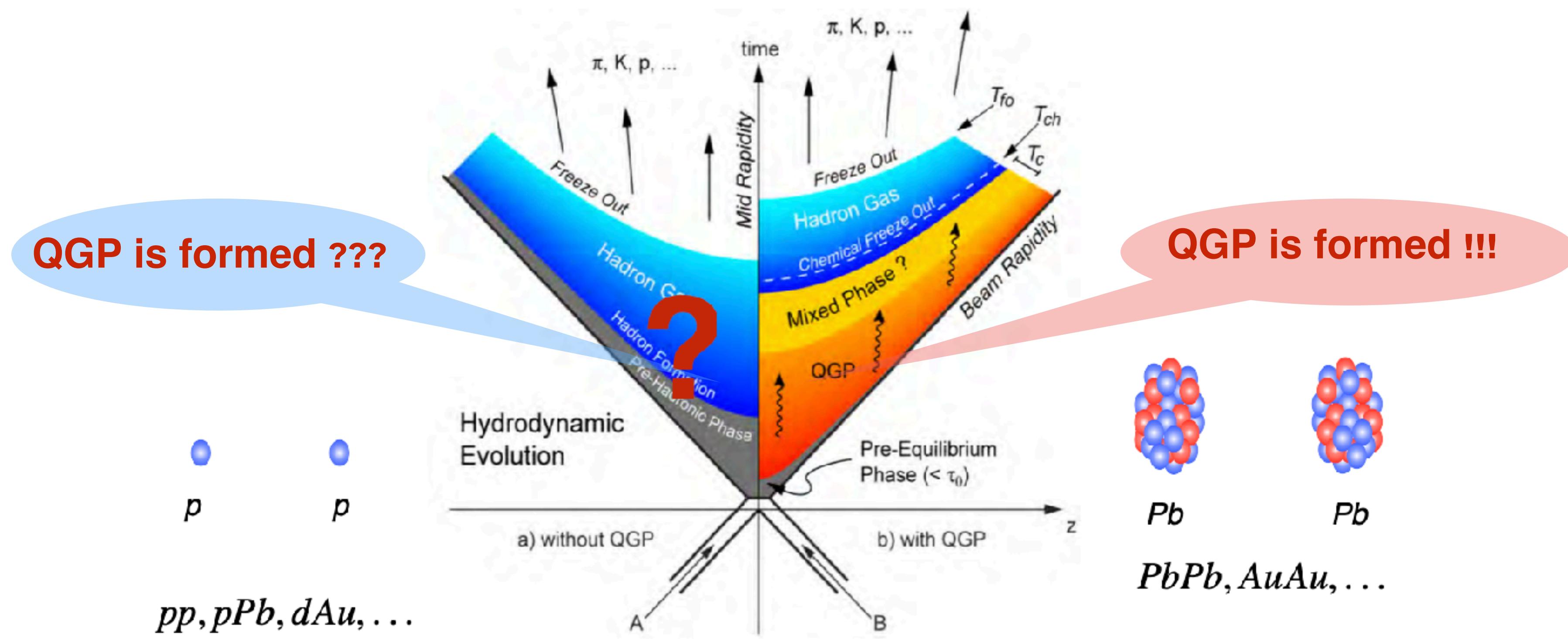
or $v_2\{2\}$, $v_2\{4\}$



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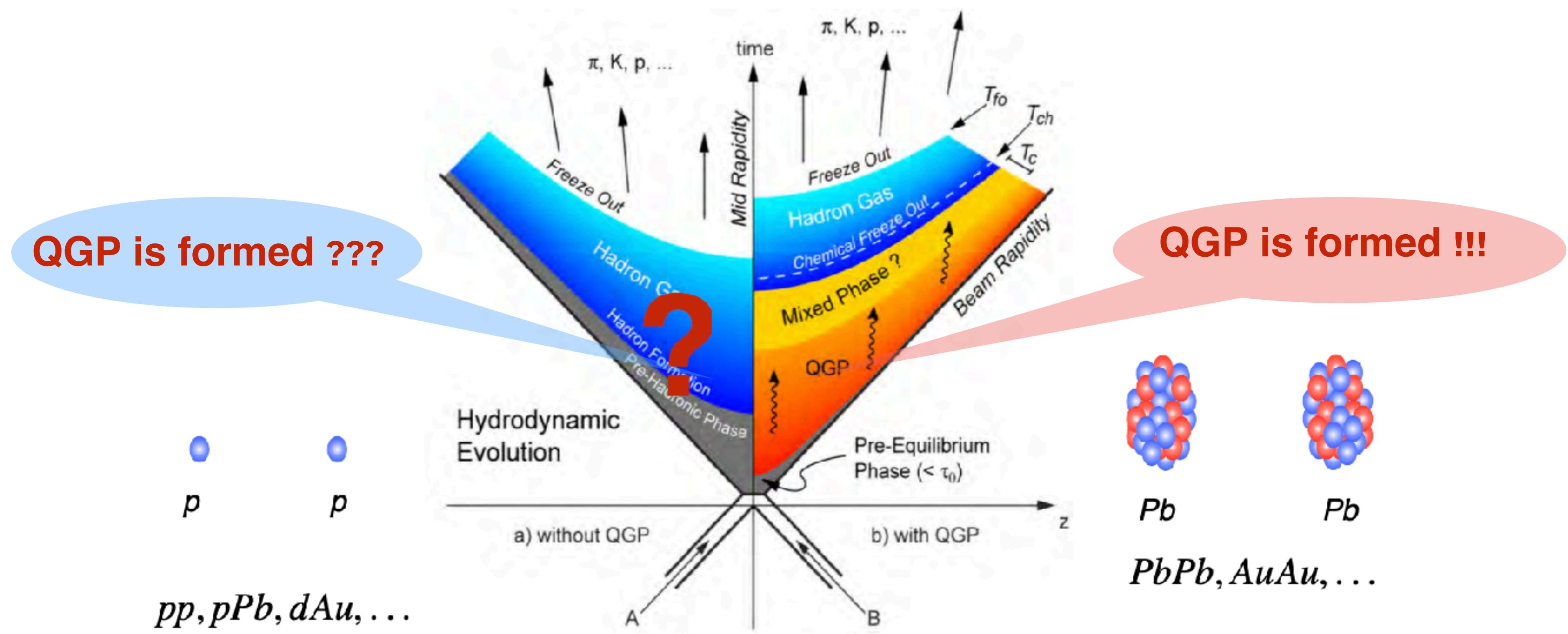
proton-proton vs. heavy ion collisions



- 1. Quarkonium suppression
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- 3. Jet quenching

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proton-proton vs. heavy ion collisions



1. Long-range two-particle correlation

Long-range correlations (near-side “ridge”) in high-multiplicity pp collisions. → collectivity in small systems

2. Strangeness enhancement

Smooth transition with multiplicity from small to large system.

3. Baryon / meson ratio ($\Lambda/K, p/\pi, \dots$)

Hadronization mechanism may be changed in high-multiplicity pp collisions and same as the AA collisions.

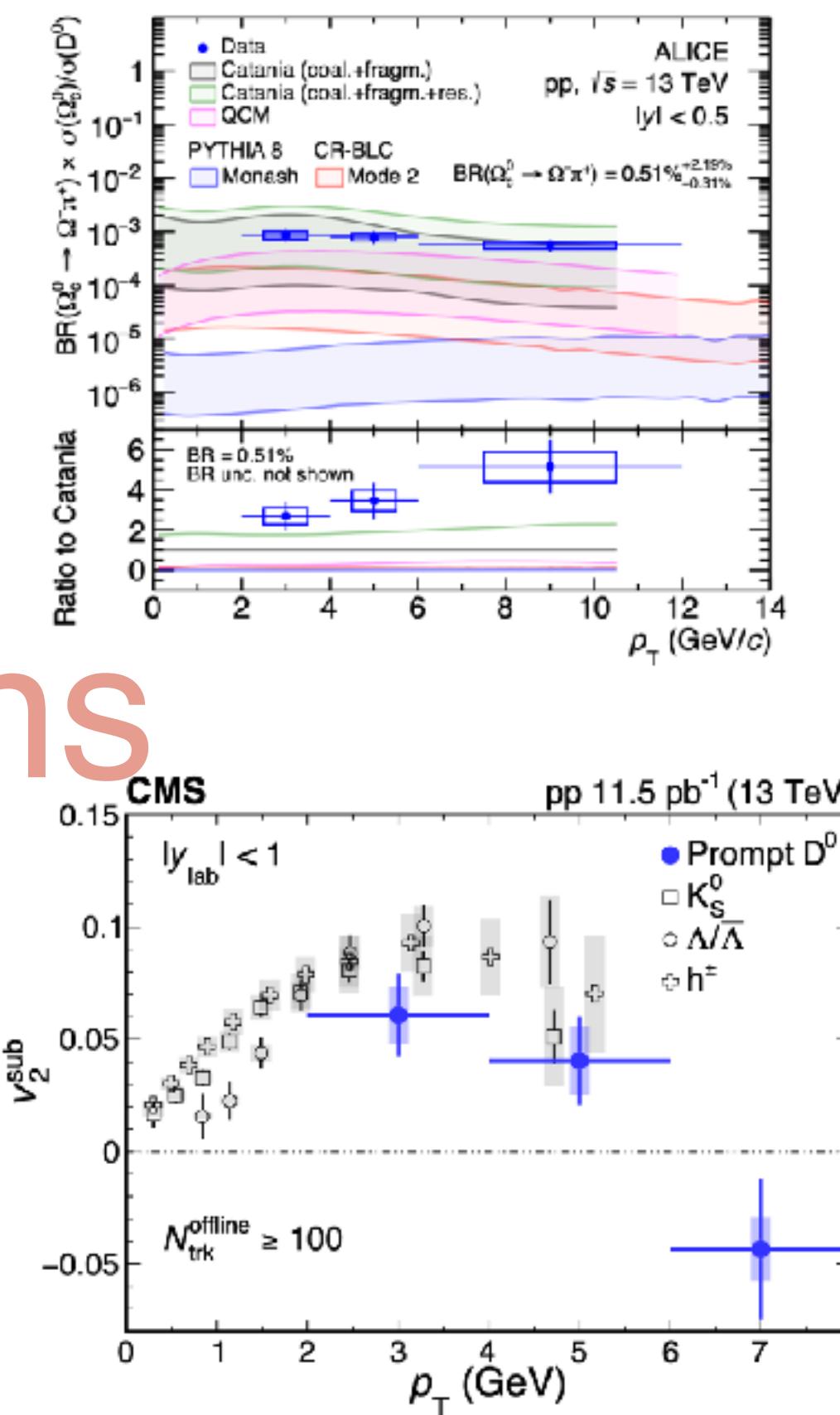
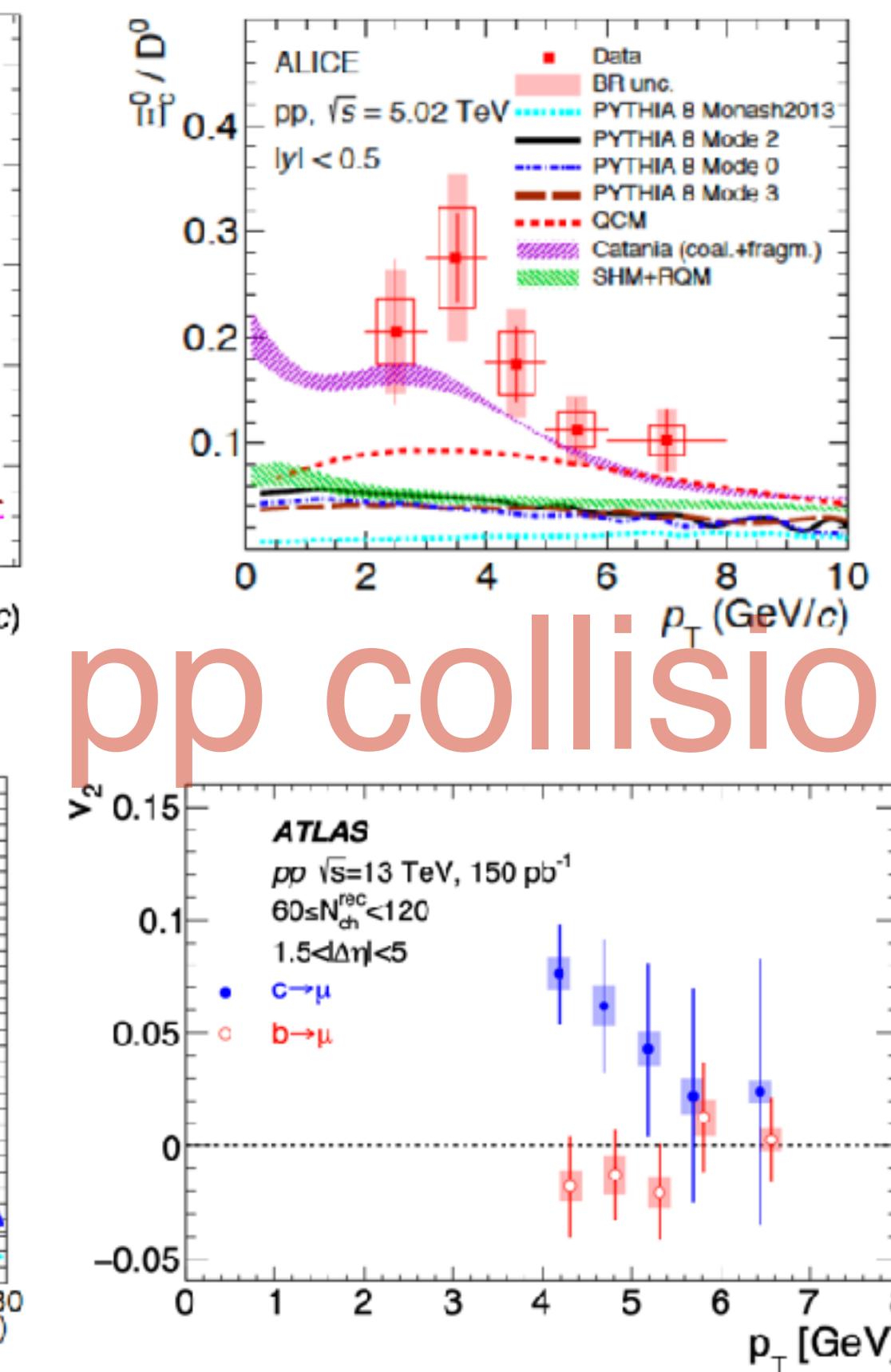
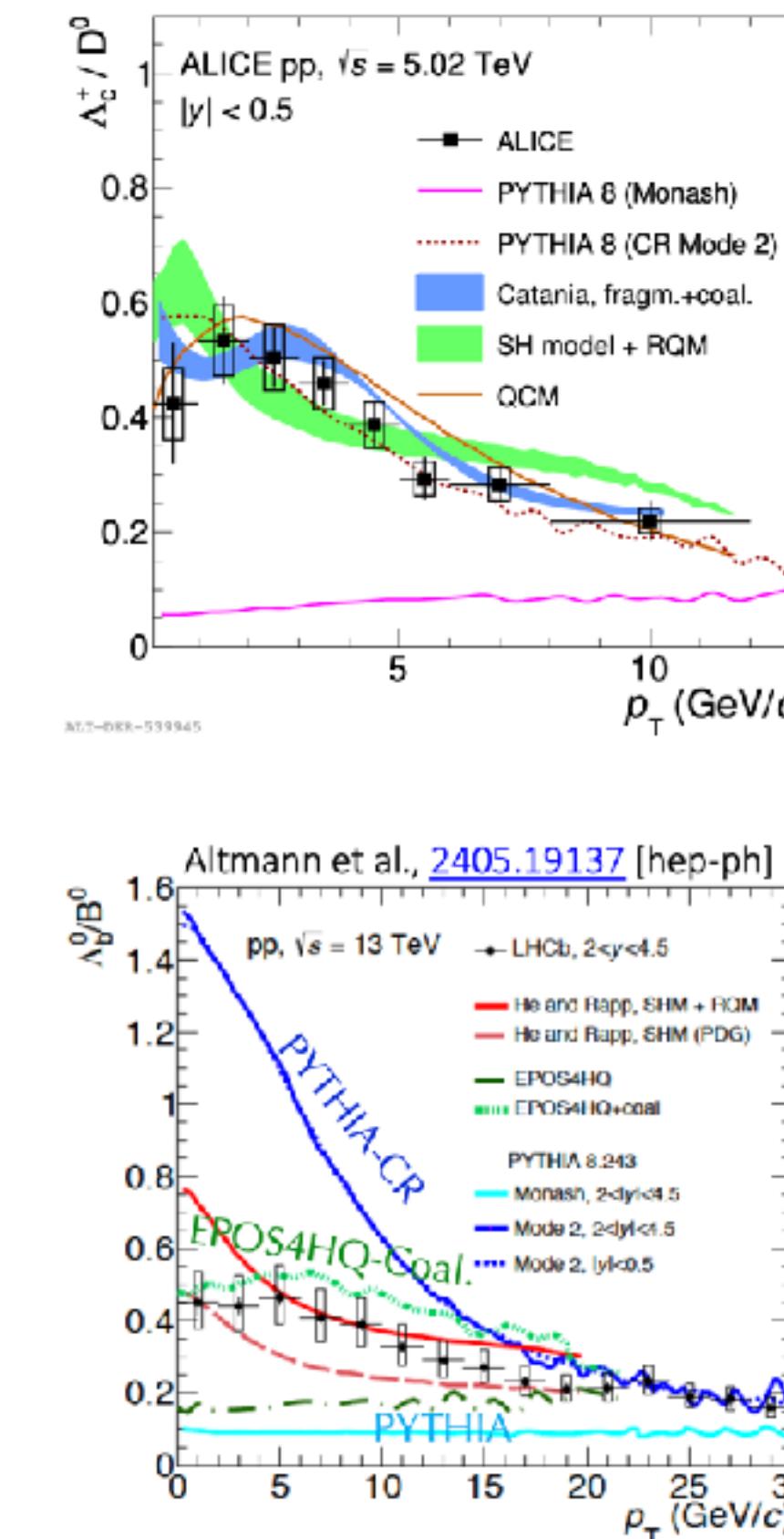
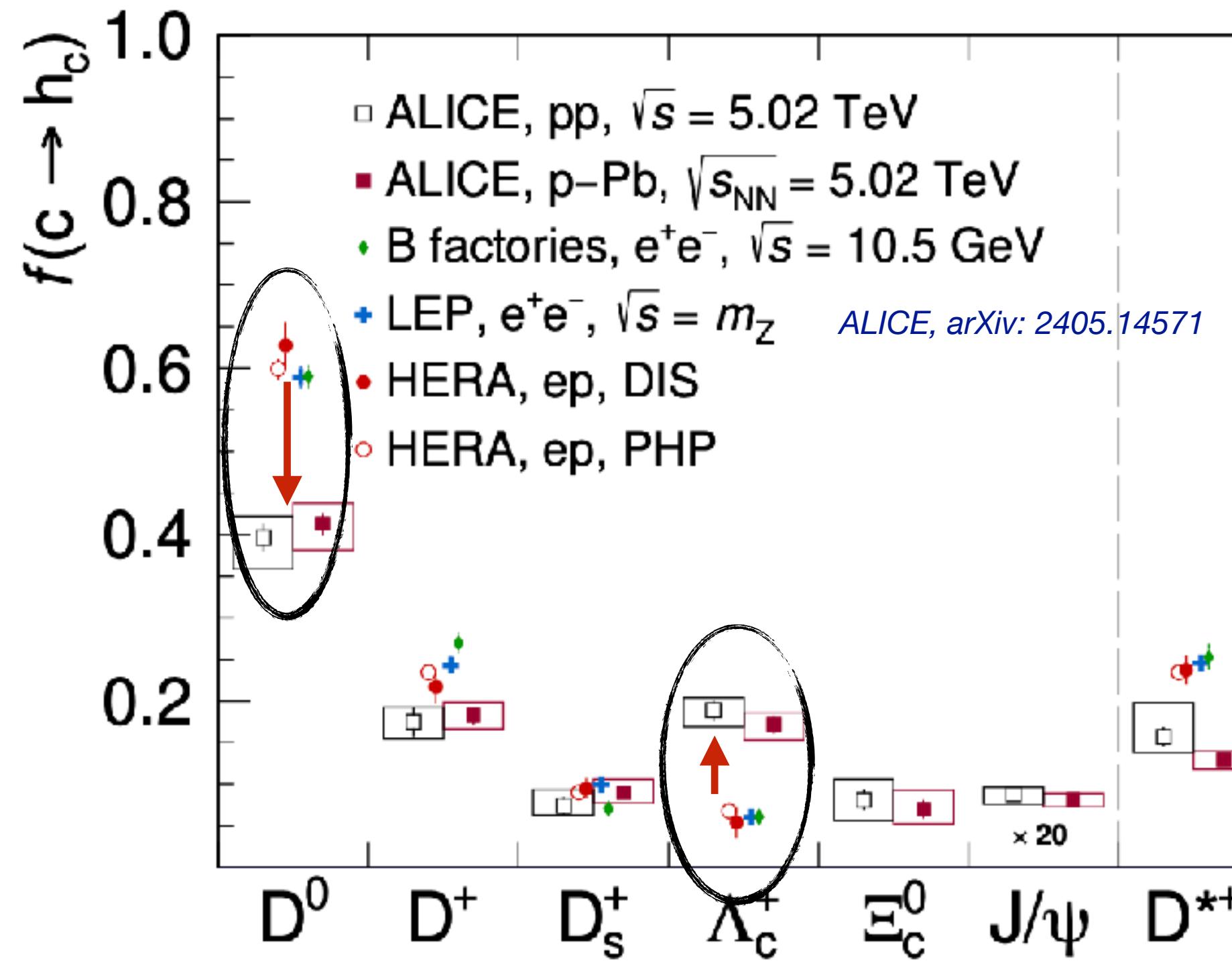
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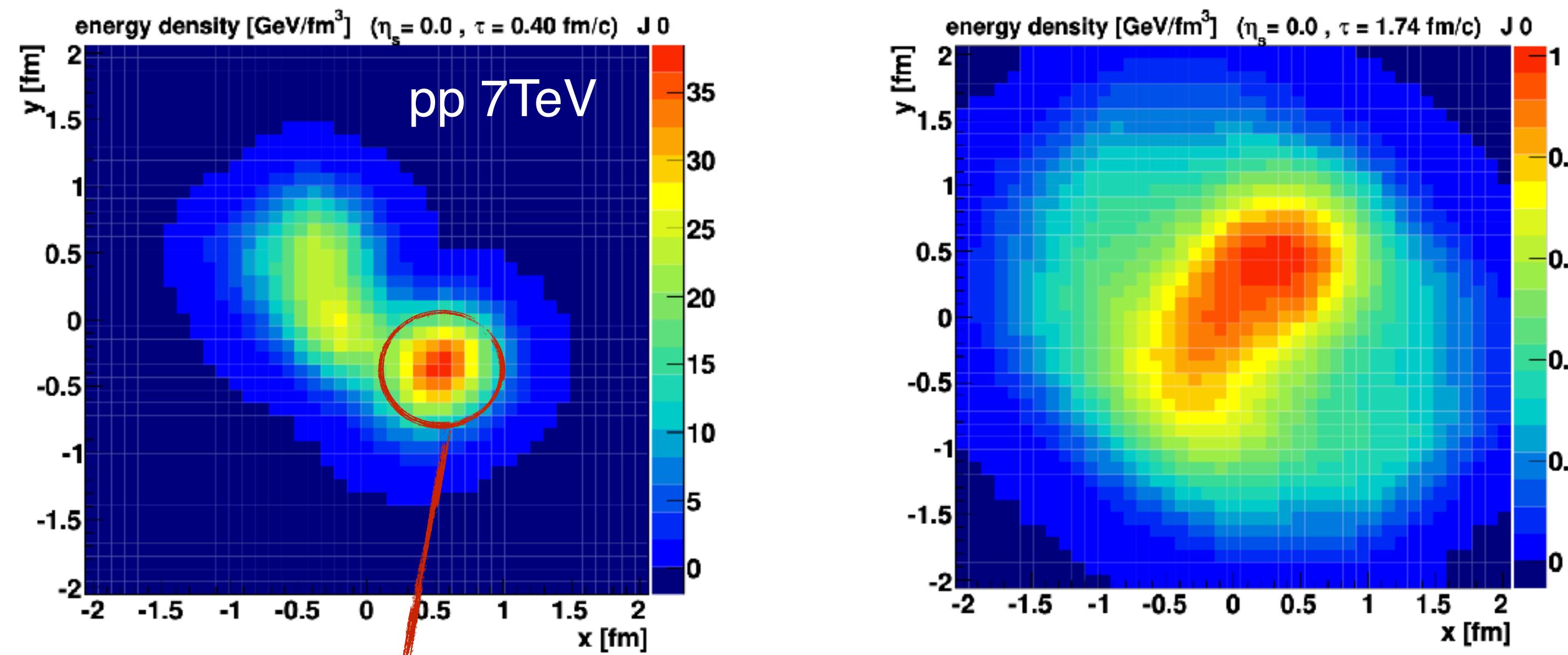
Heavy flavor in small system



Evidence of different “Fragmentation” Fractions in pp (pPb) at LHC wrt e^+e^- collisions but similar to HICs !

The large Λ_c/D^0 , Σ_c/D^0 , Ξ_c/D^0 , Λ_b/B^0 , and v_2 of D indicate a small QGP may be formed.

core-corona picture



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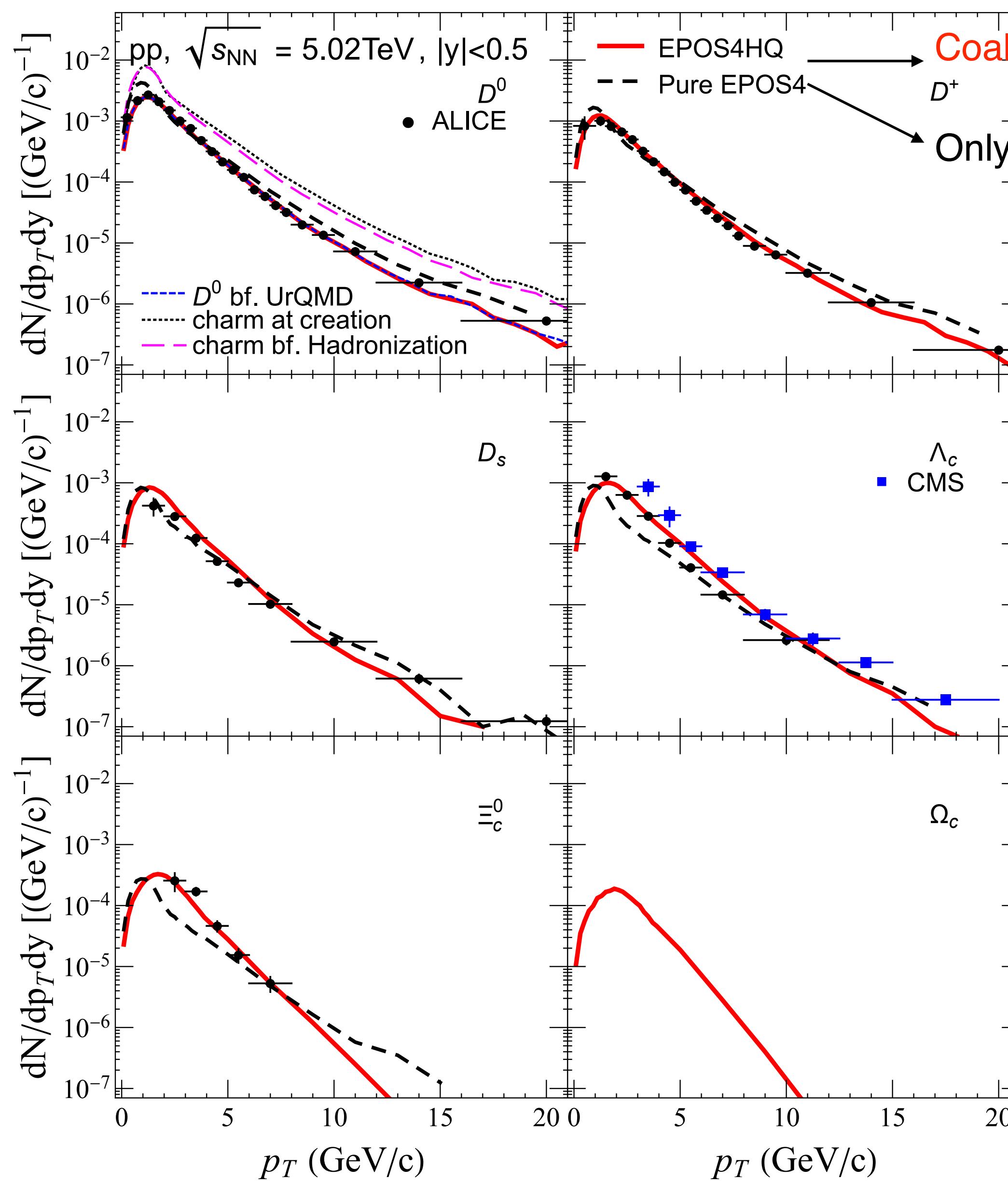
The energy density is larger than the critical energy density $\epsilon_0 \rightarrow$ deconfined QCD matter!

---> A small QGP is created and its evolution can still be described by the hydrodynamics!

EPOS4: @ small system (pp)

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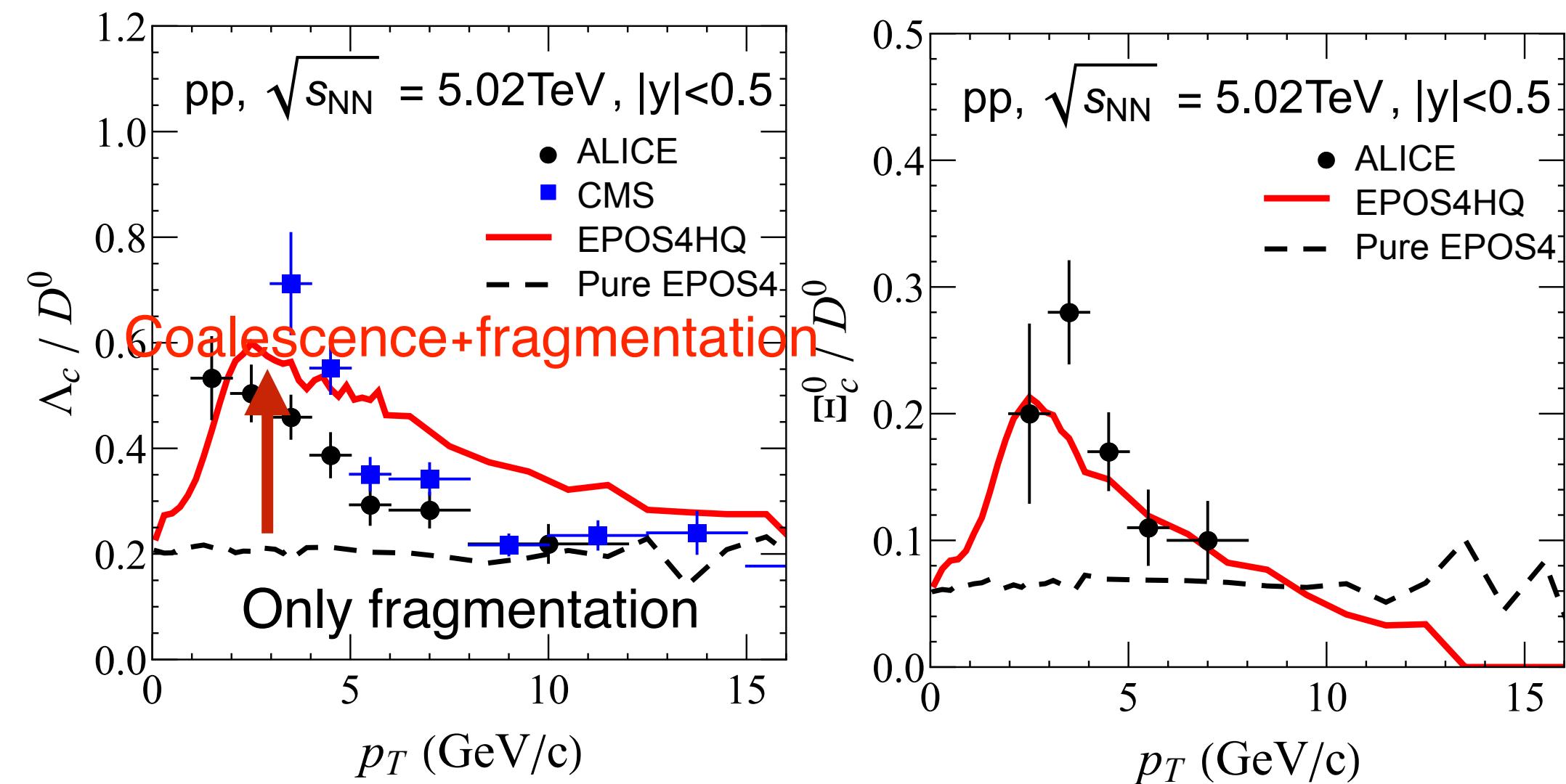


- ◆ Small momentum shift in the evolution
- ◆ Momentum loss due to hadronization much larger
- ◆ Charmed baryons are more sensitive to the QGP
- ◆ All measured spectra of charmed hadrons are reproduced

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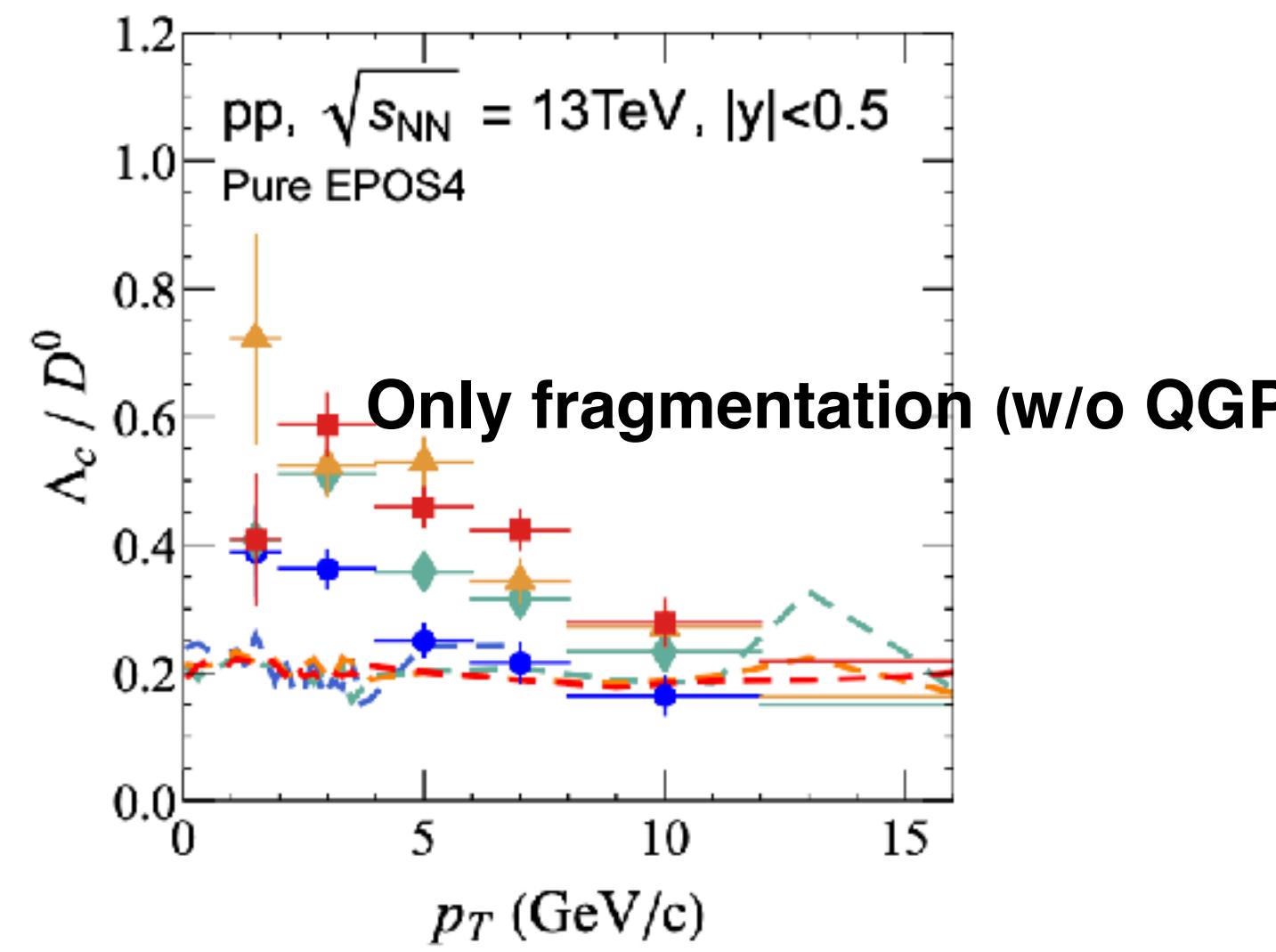
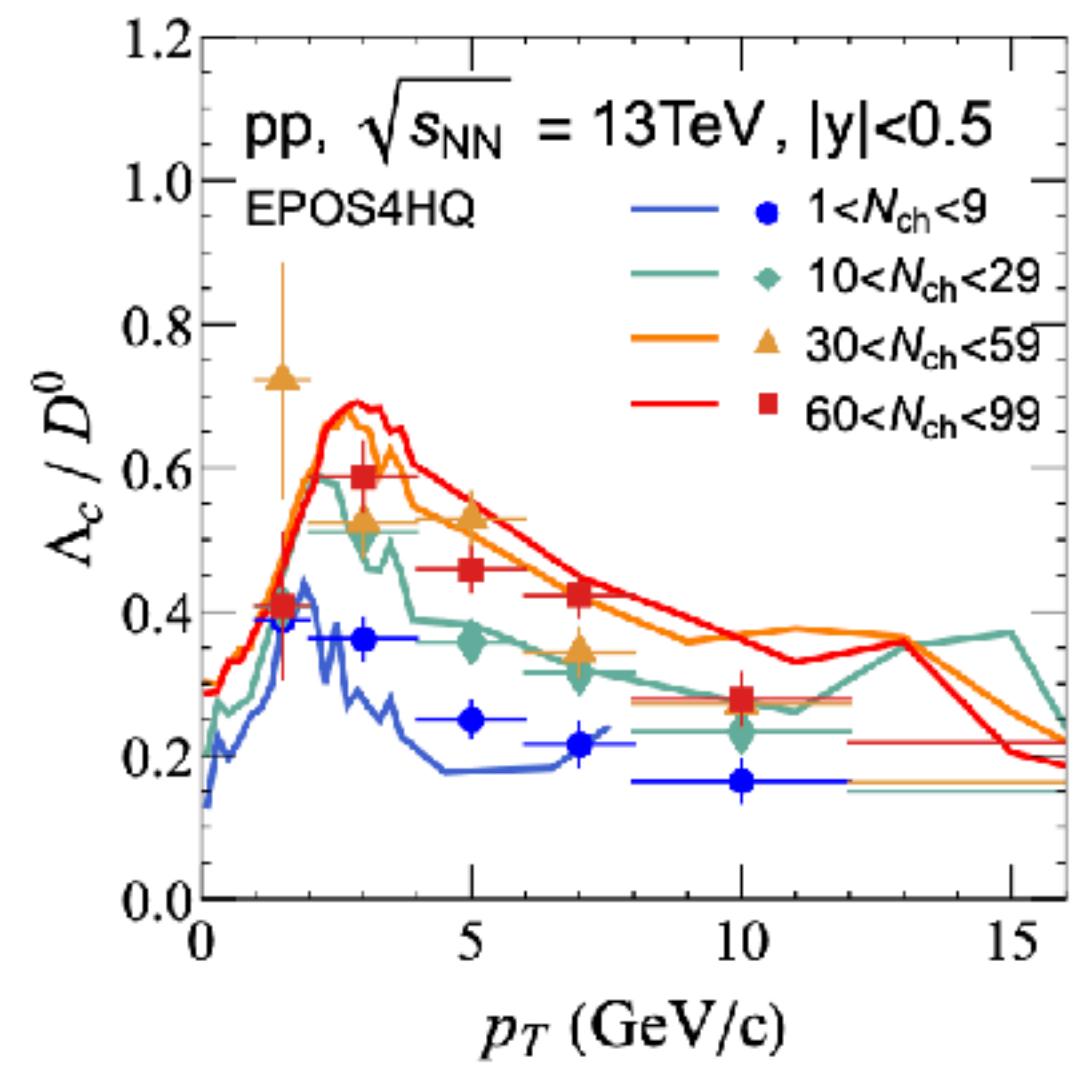
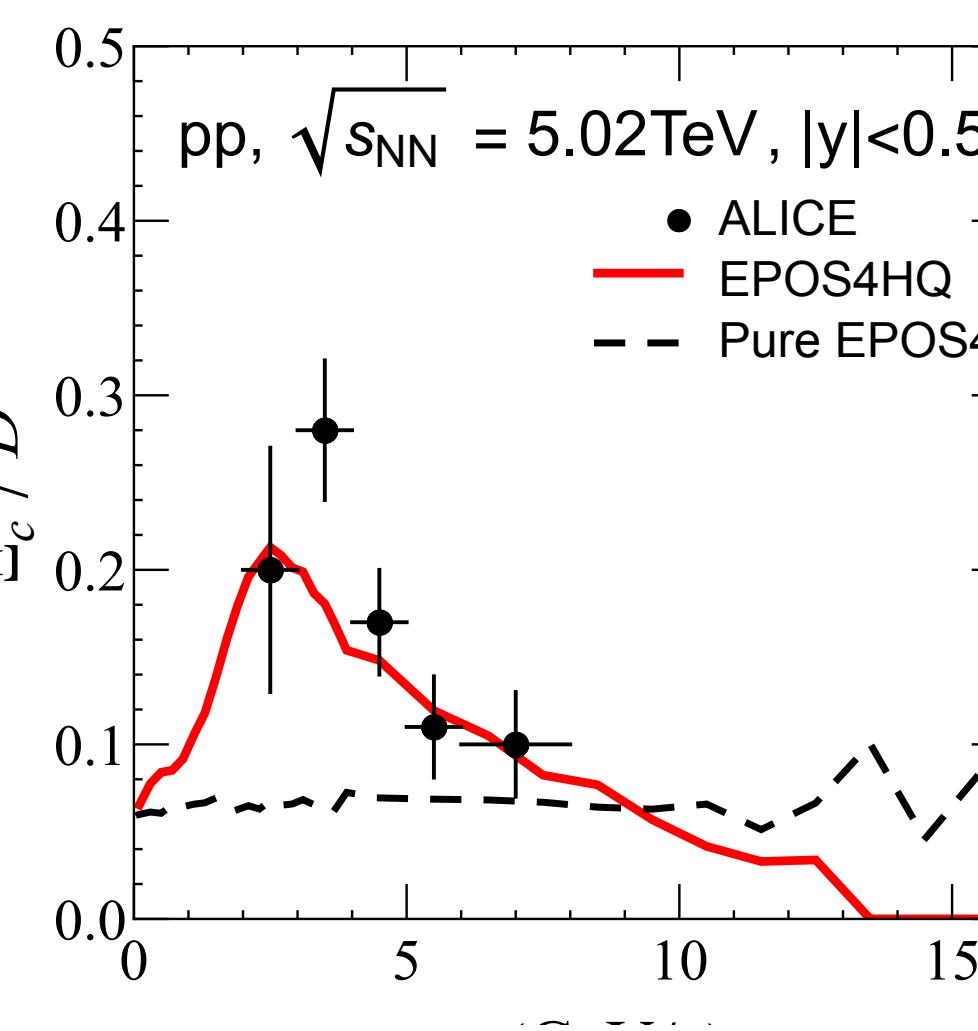
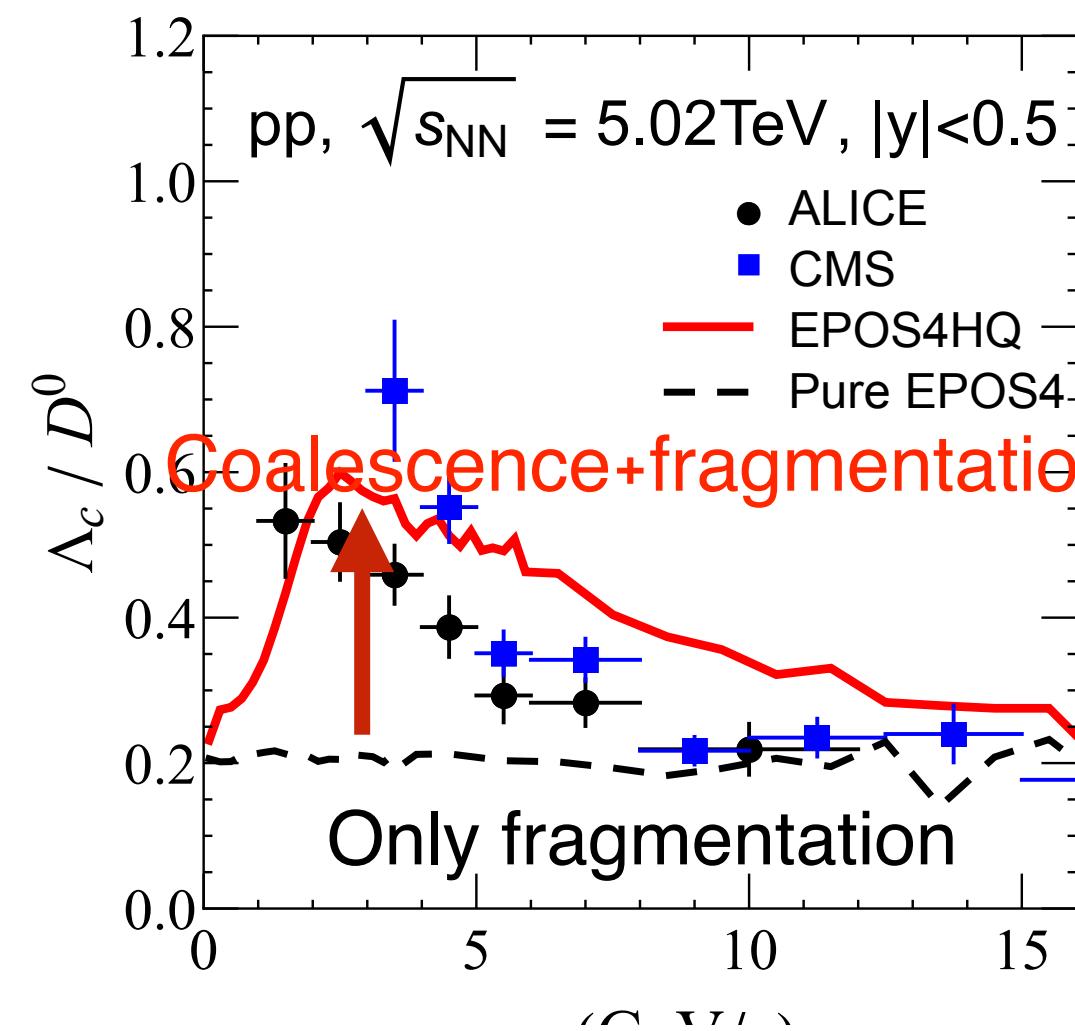
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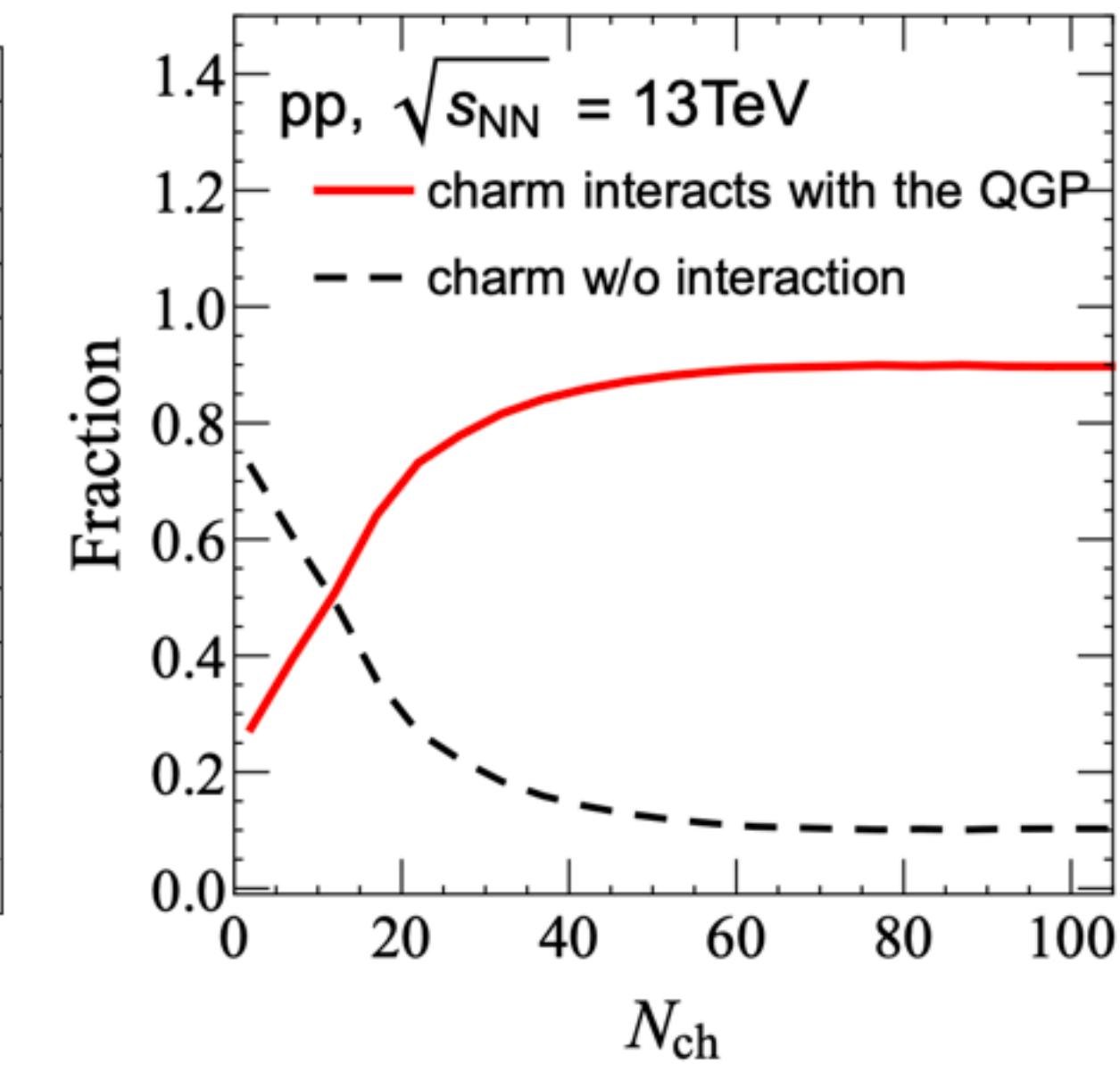
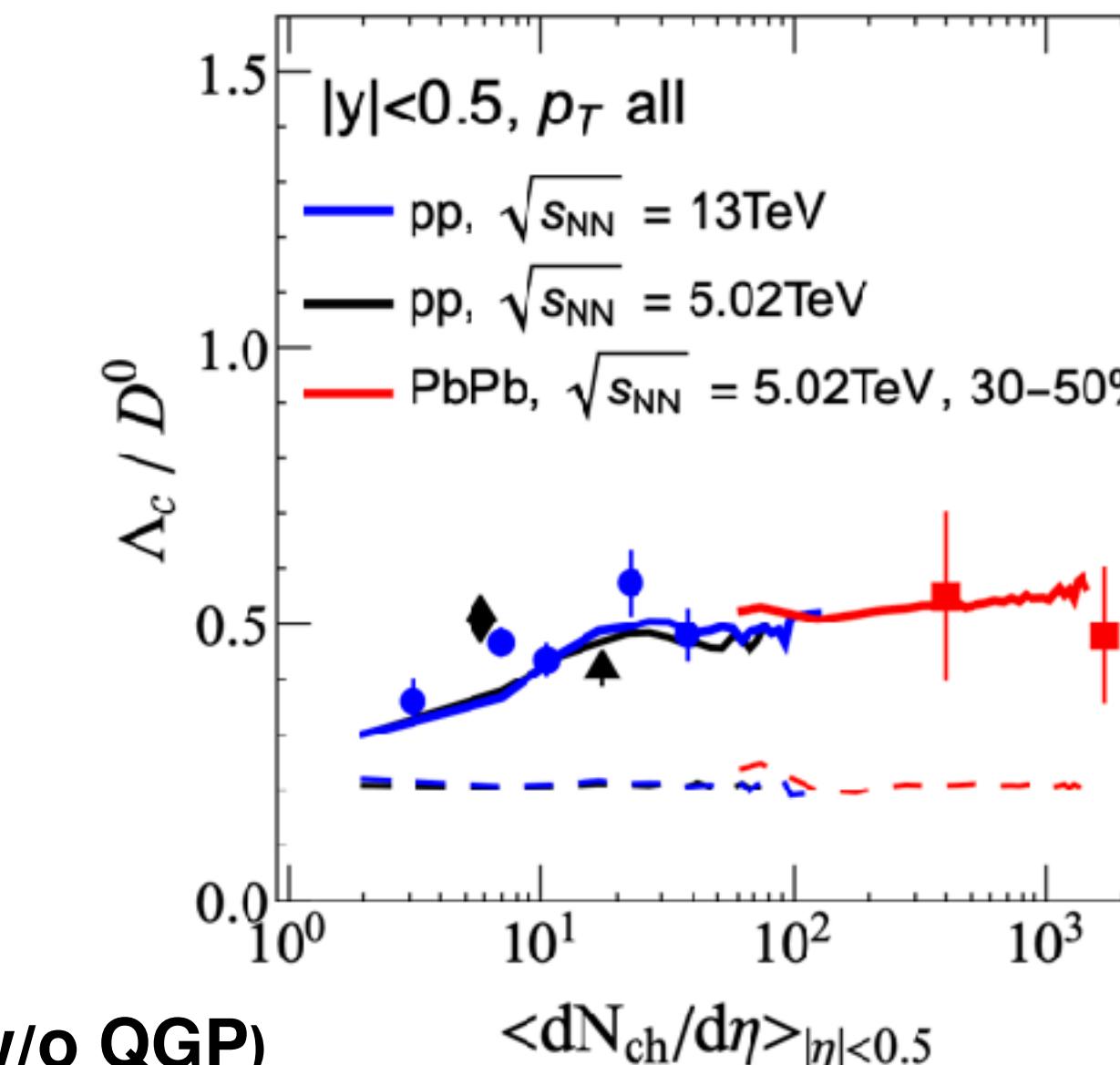
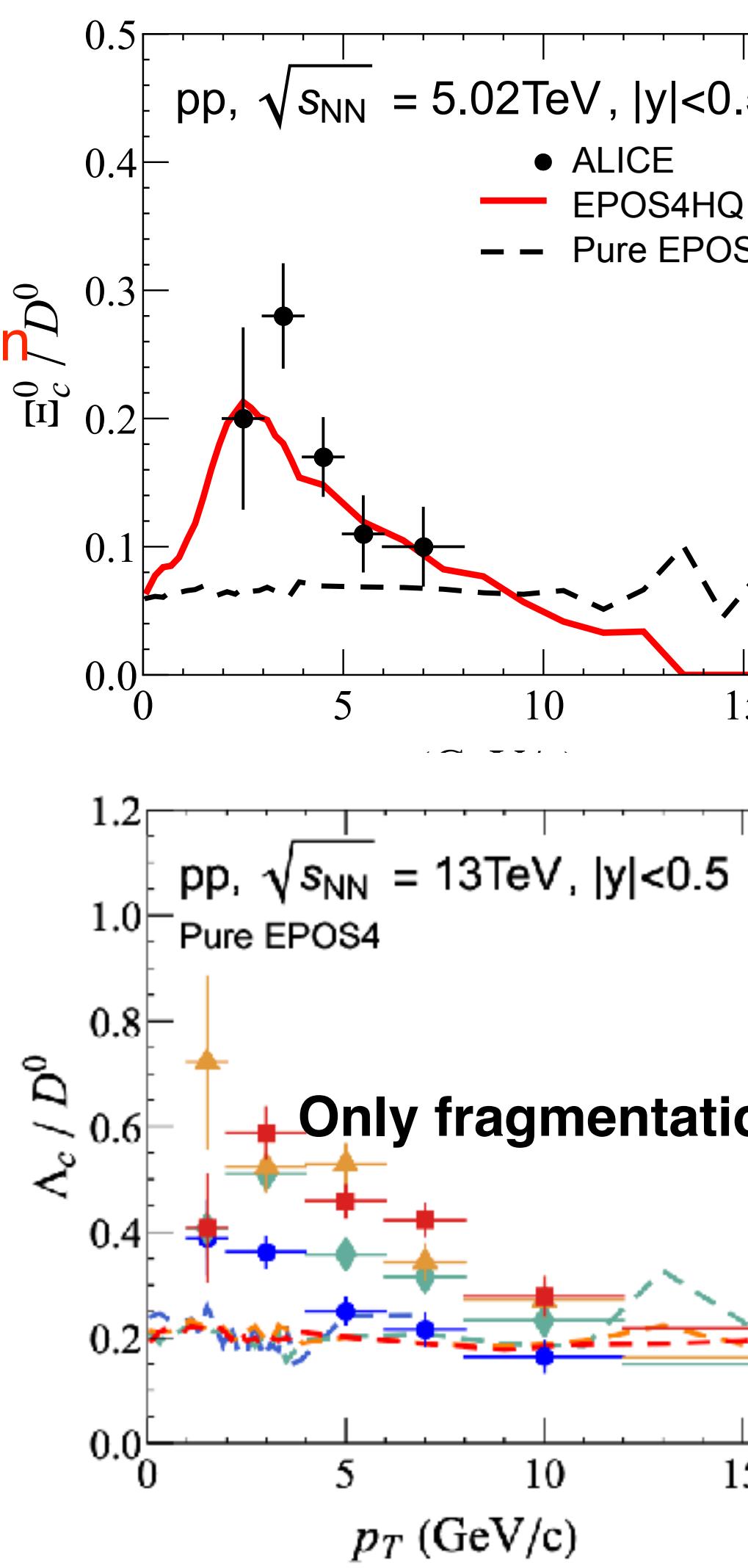
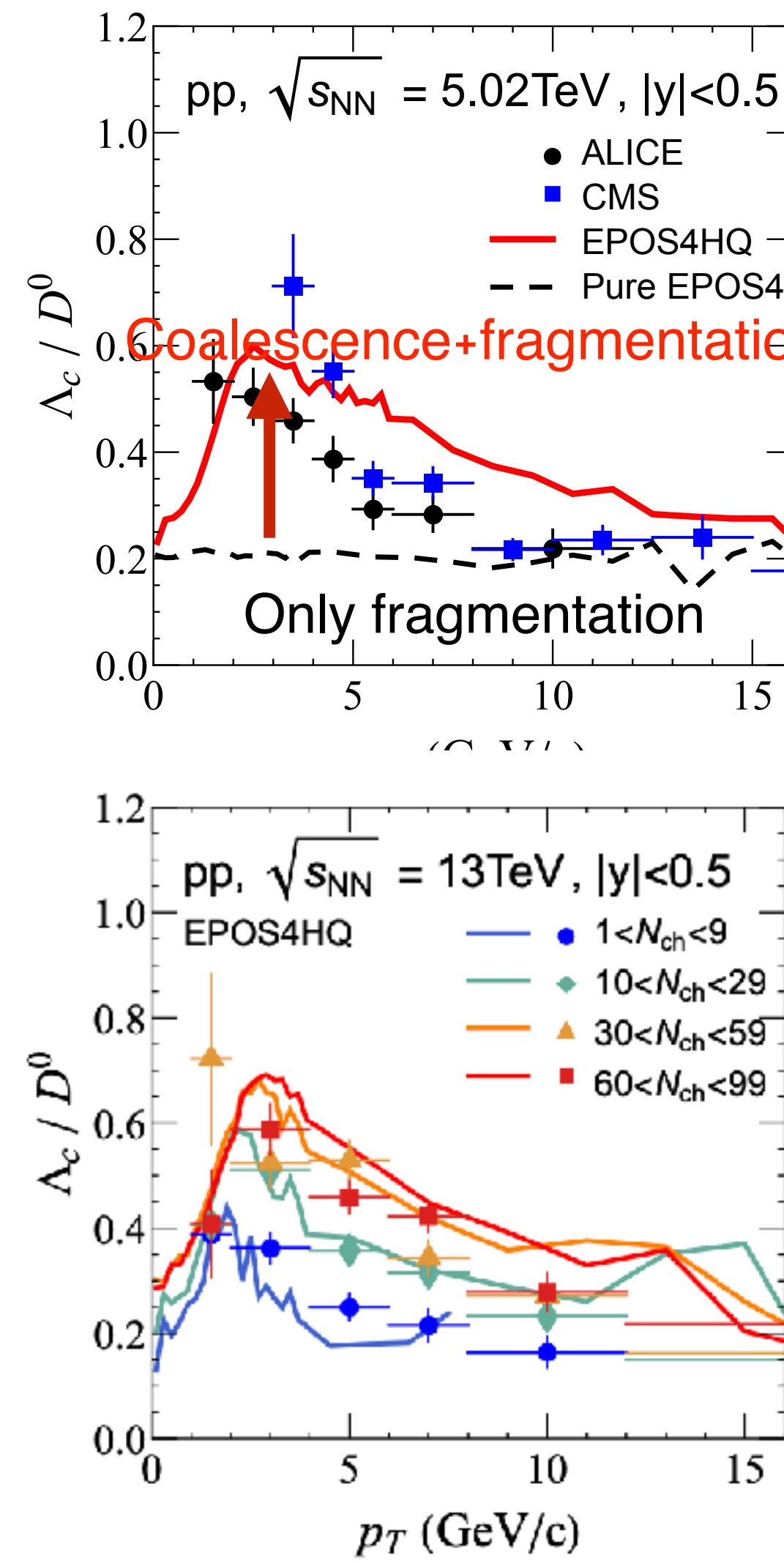


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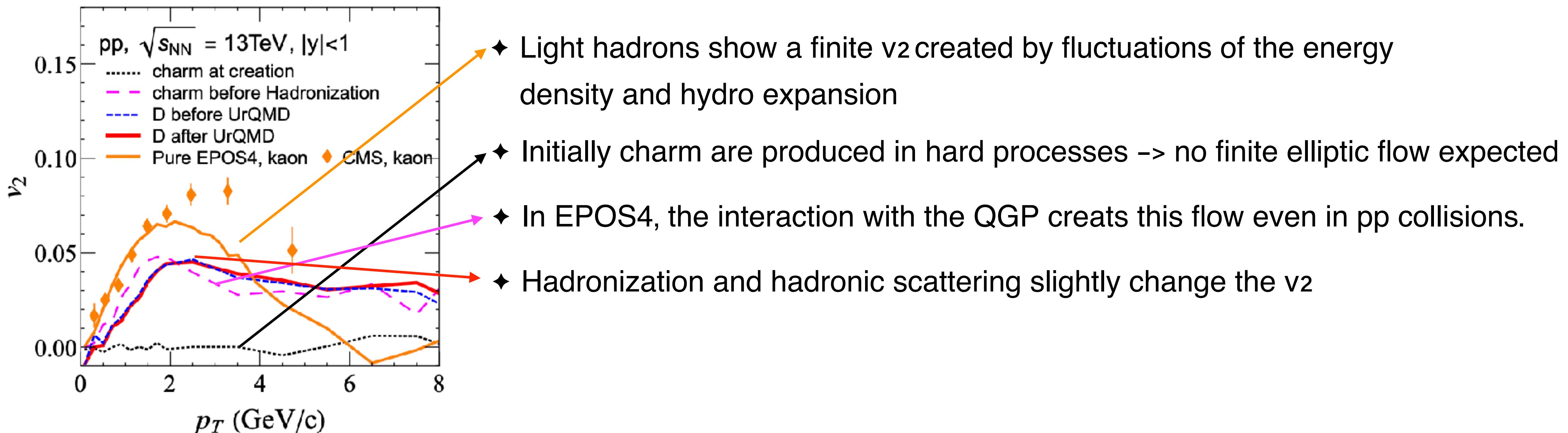
Yield ratios are a strong indication that a QGP is formed in high multiplicity region !

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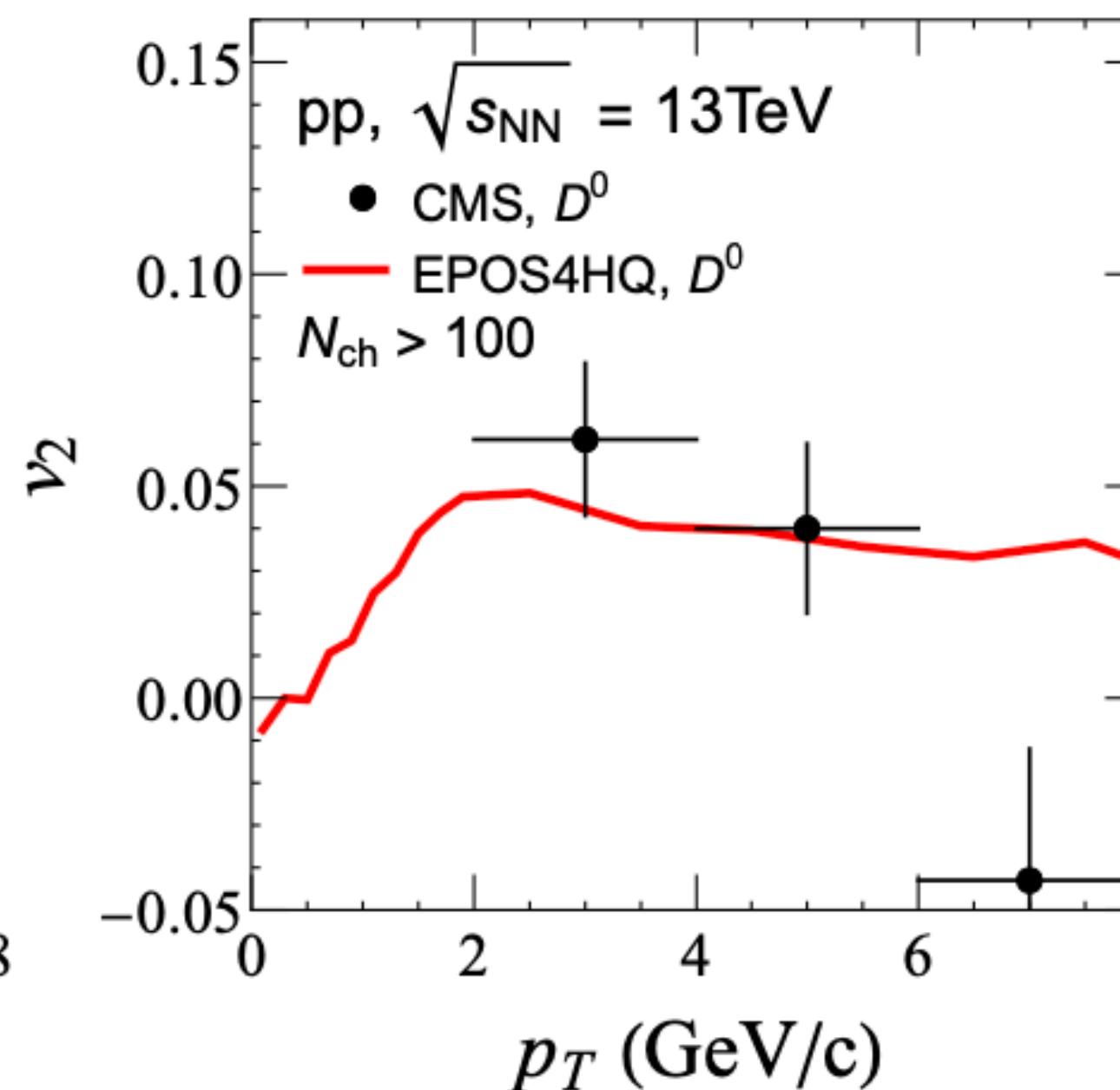
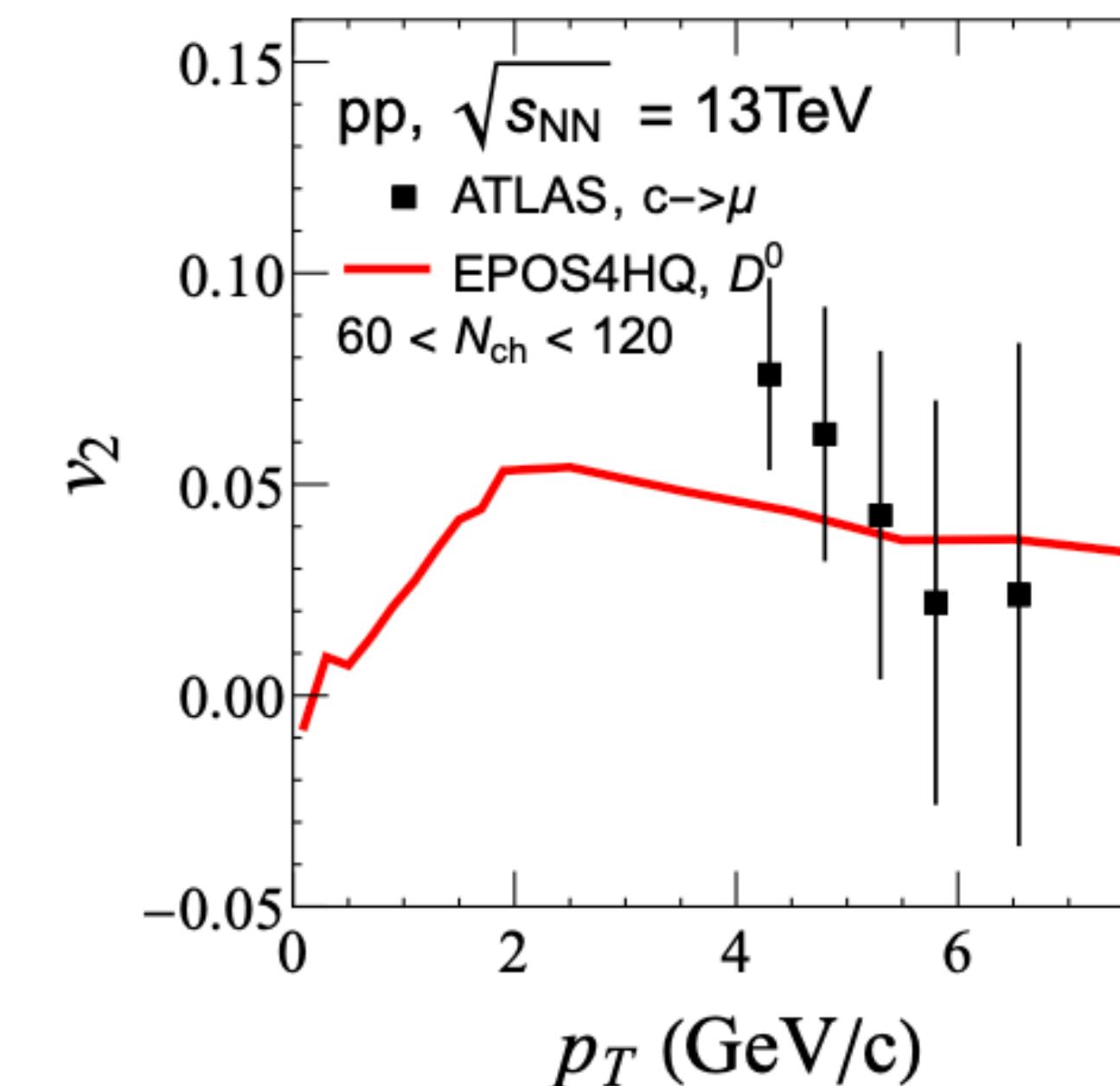
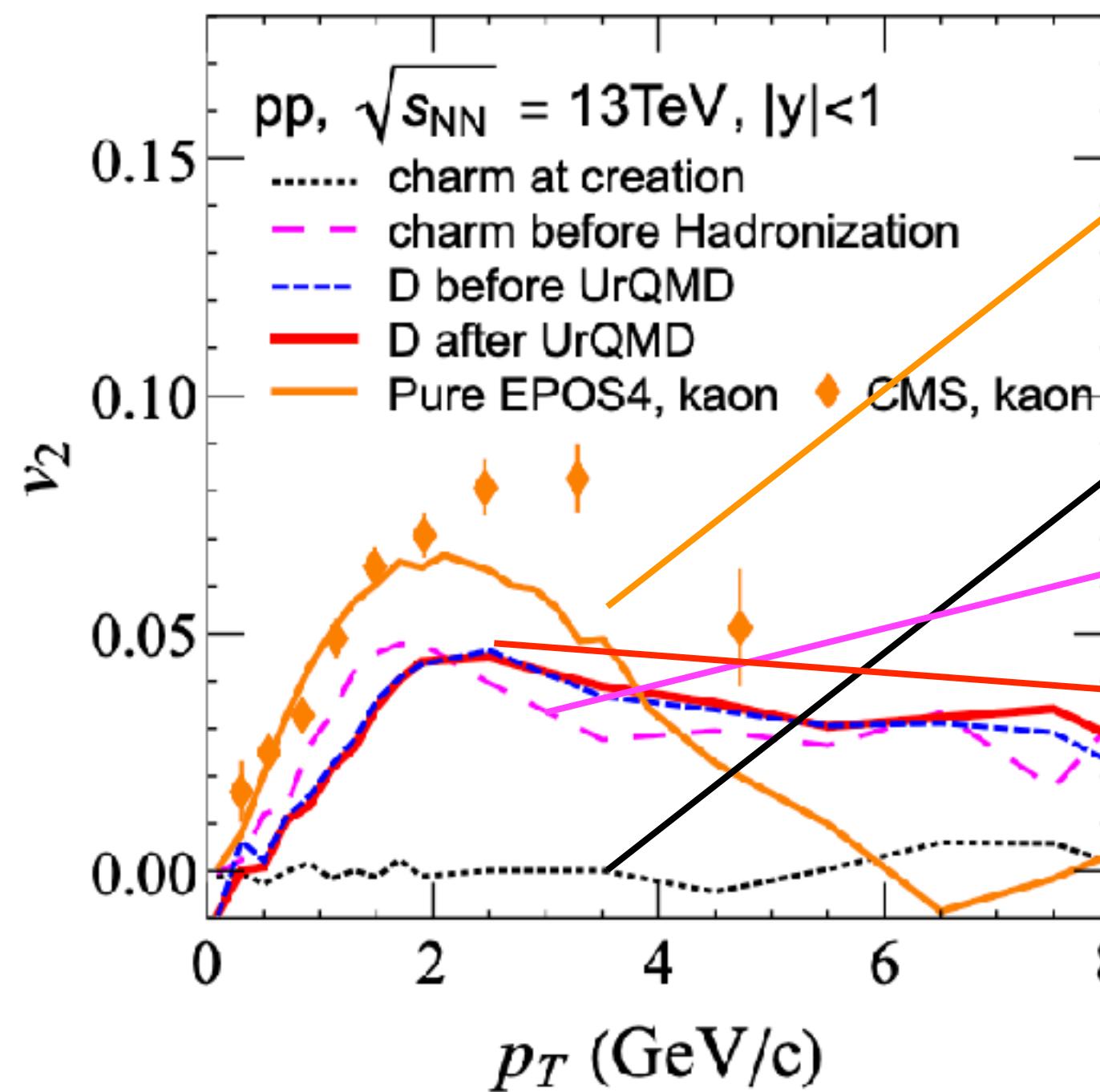
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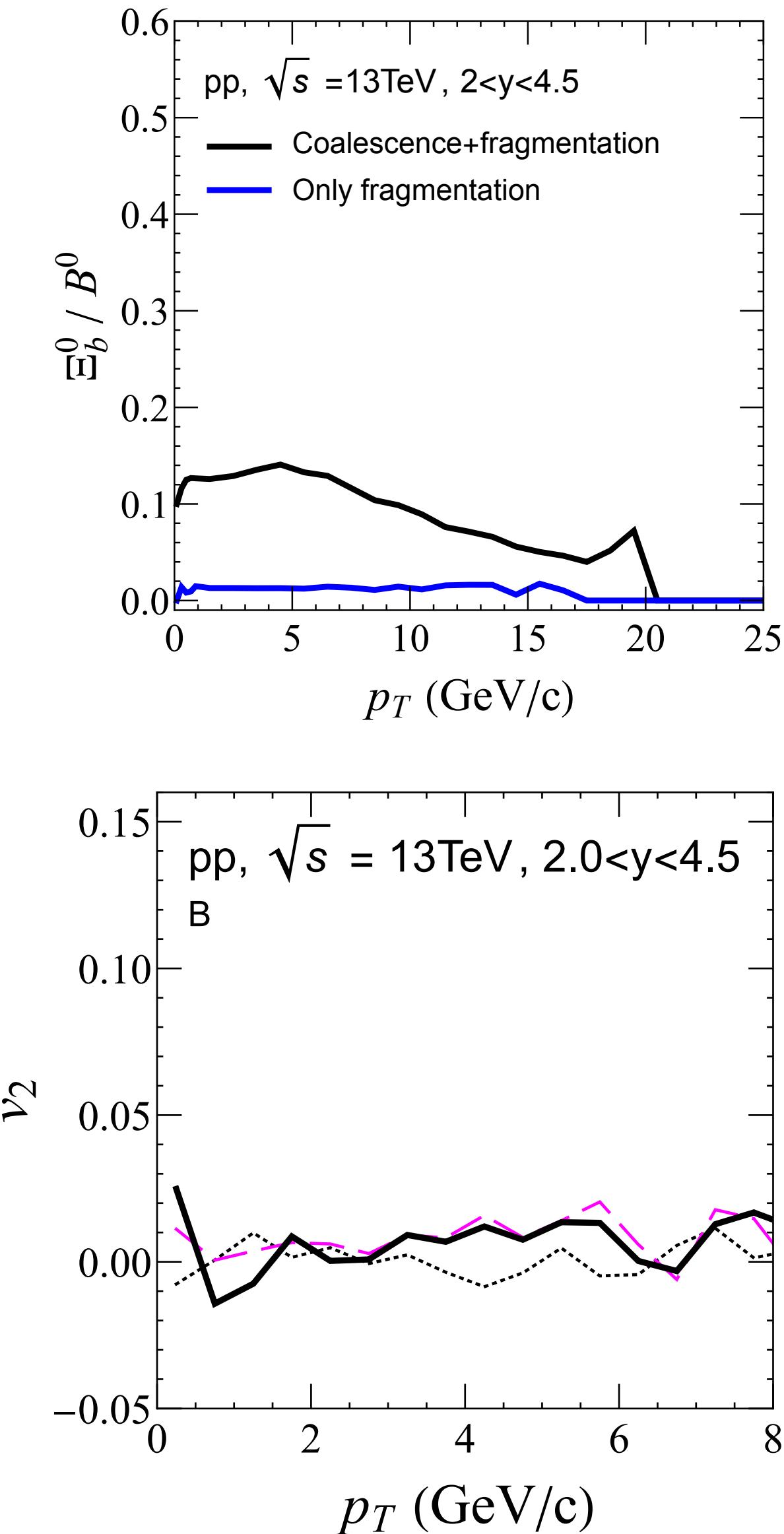
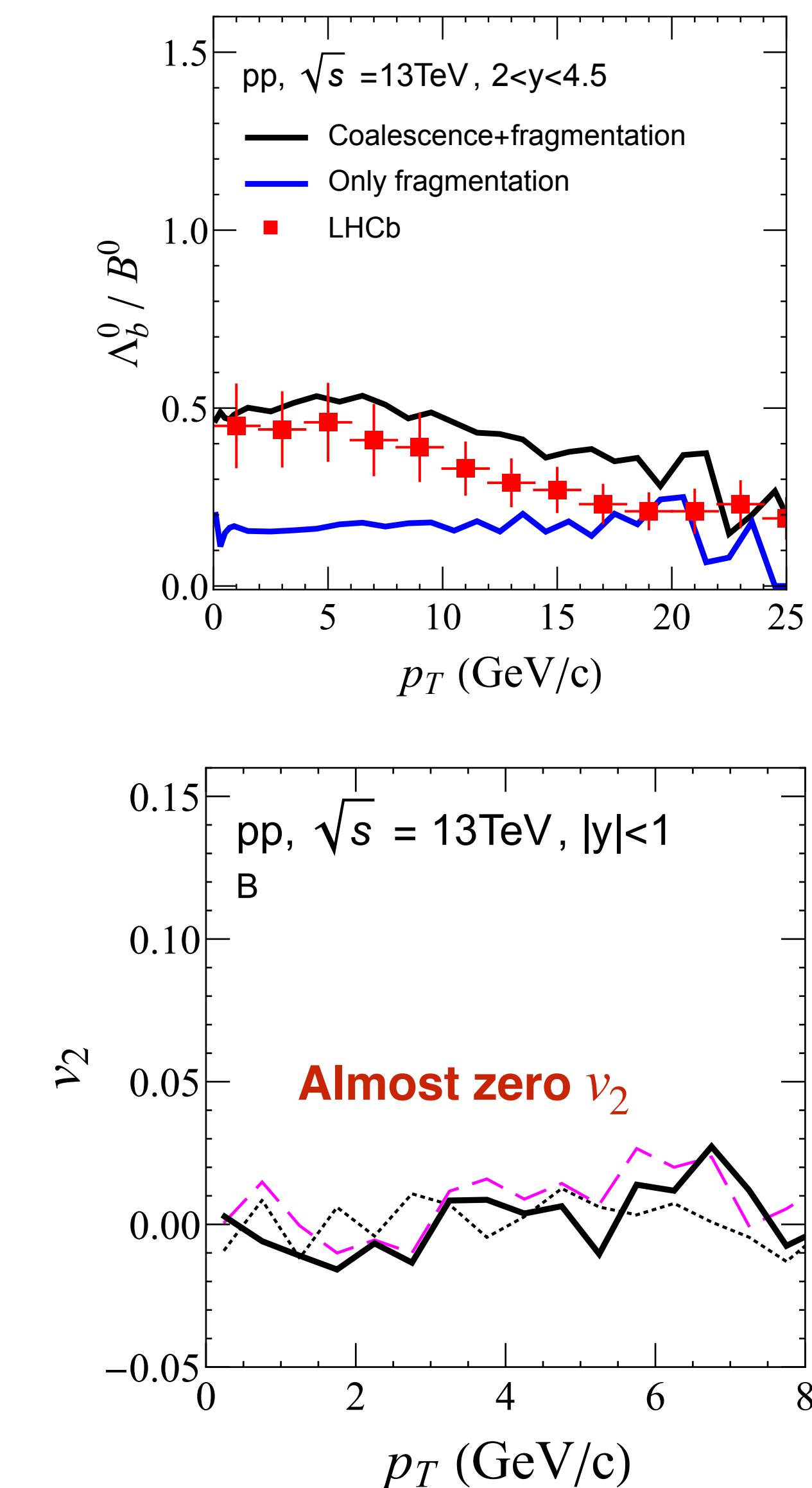
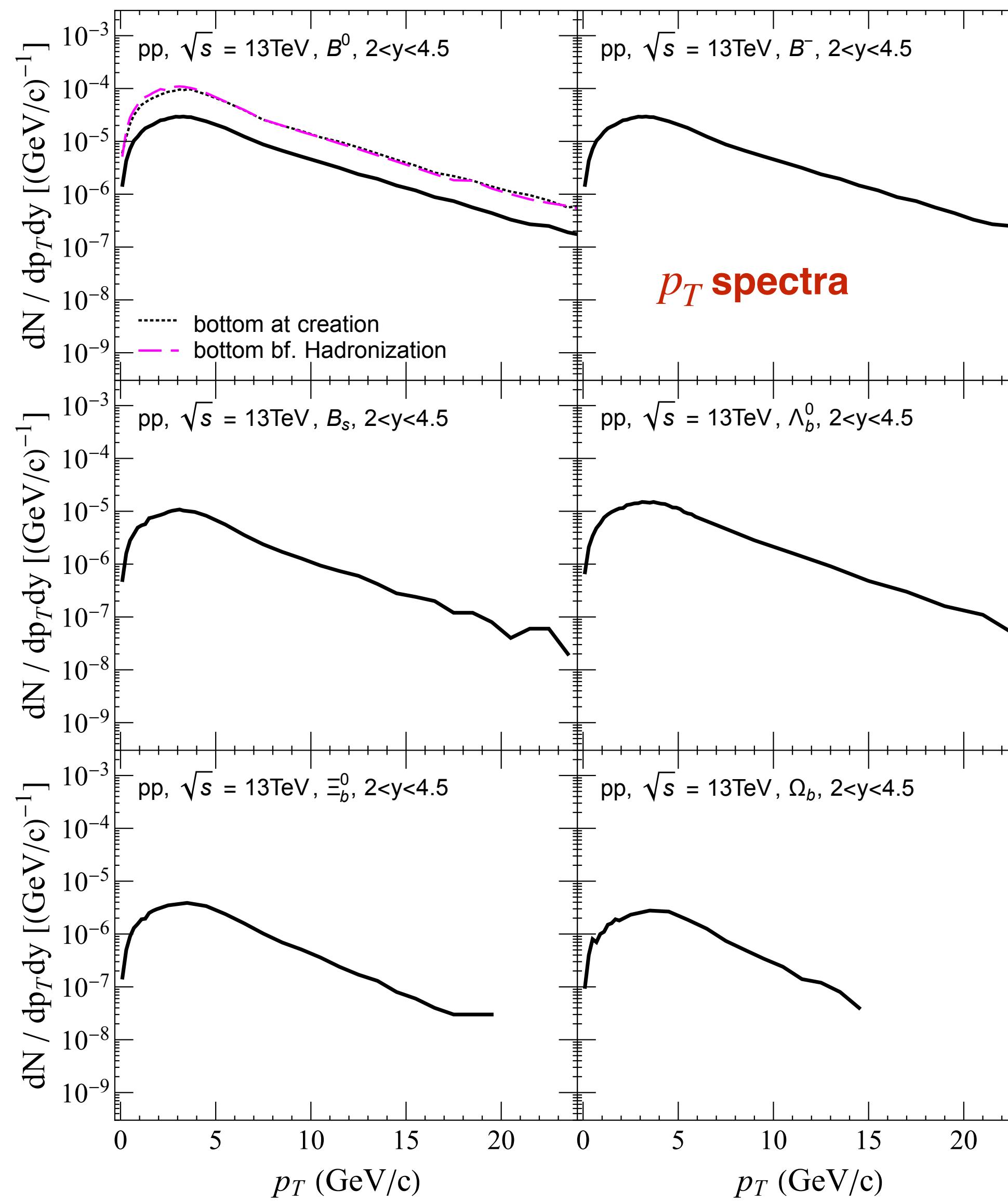
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- ◆ Light hadrons show a finite v_2 created by fluctuations of the energy density and hydro expansion
- ◆ Initially charm are produced in hard processes \rightarrow no finite elliptic flow expected
- ◆ In EPOS4, the interaction with the QGP creates this flow even in pp collisions.
- ◆ Hadronization and hadronic scattering slightly change the v_2

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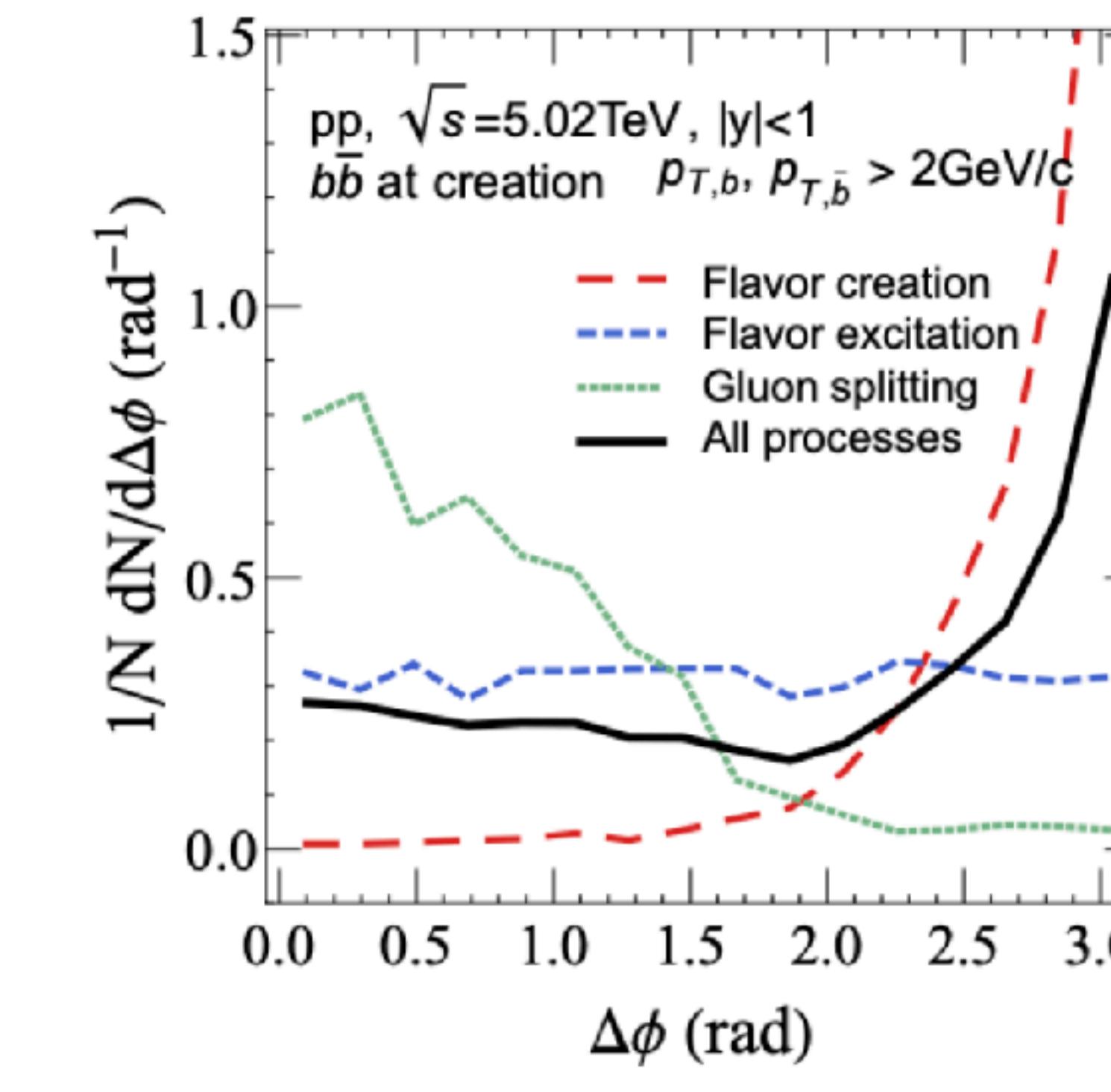
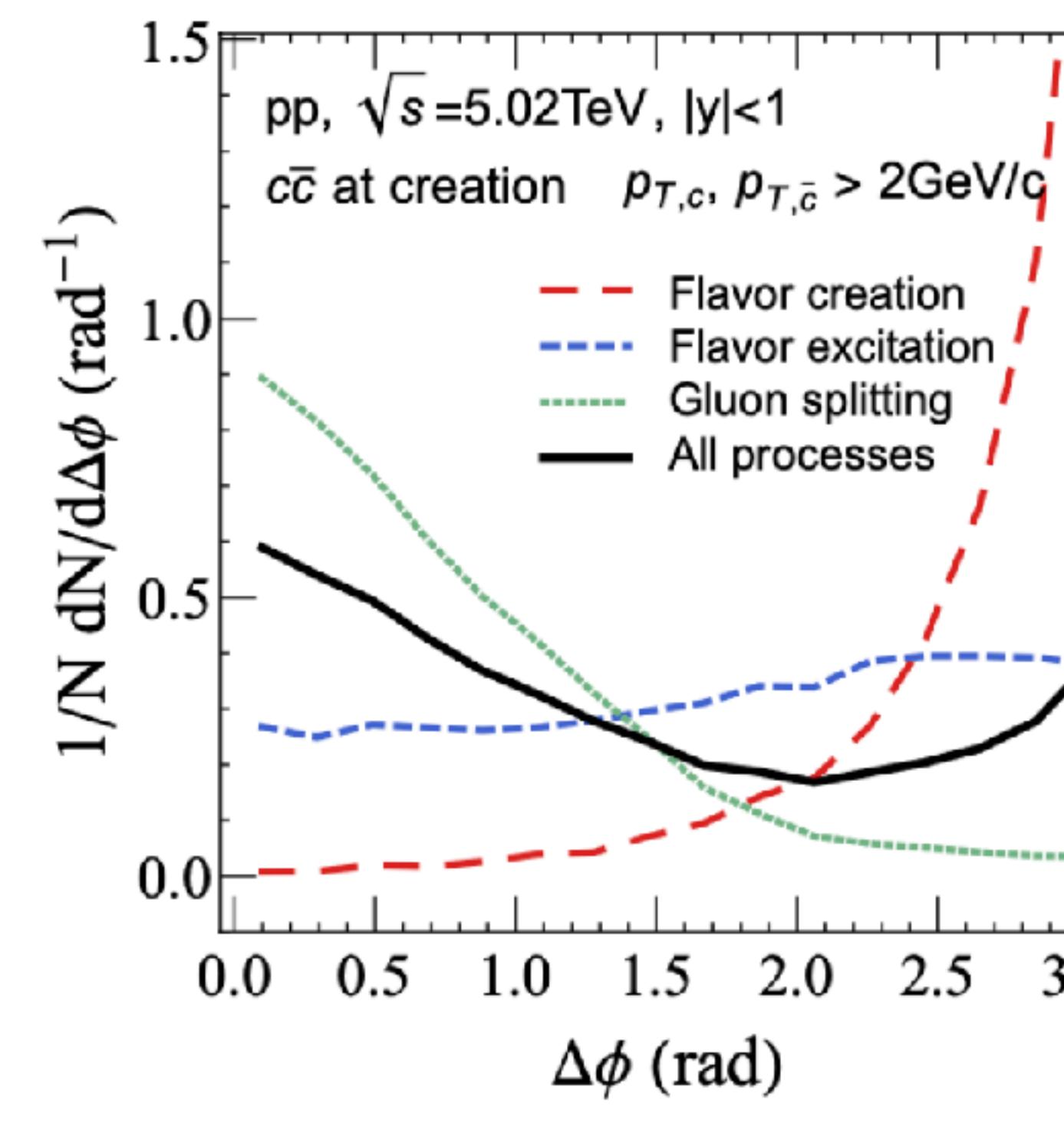
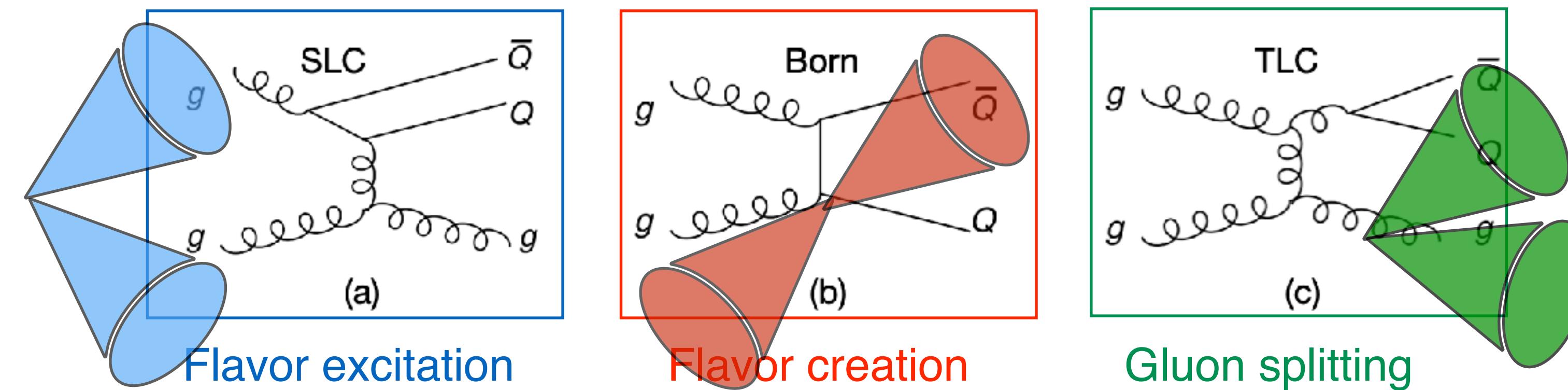
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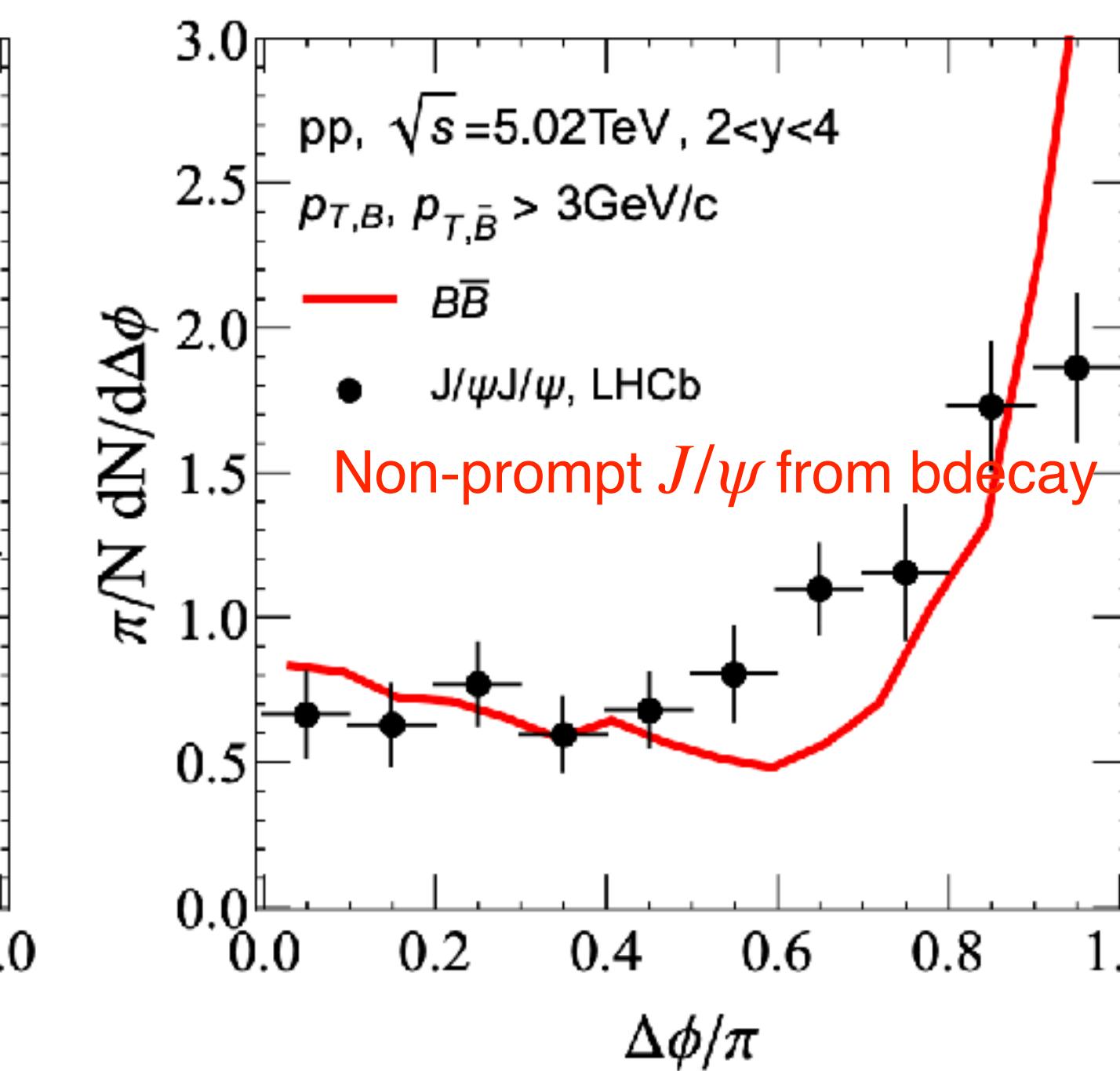
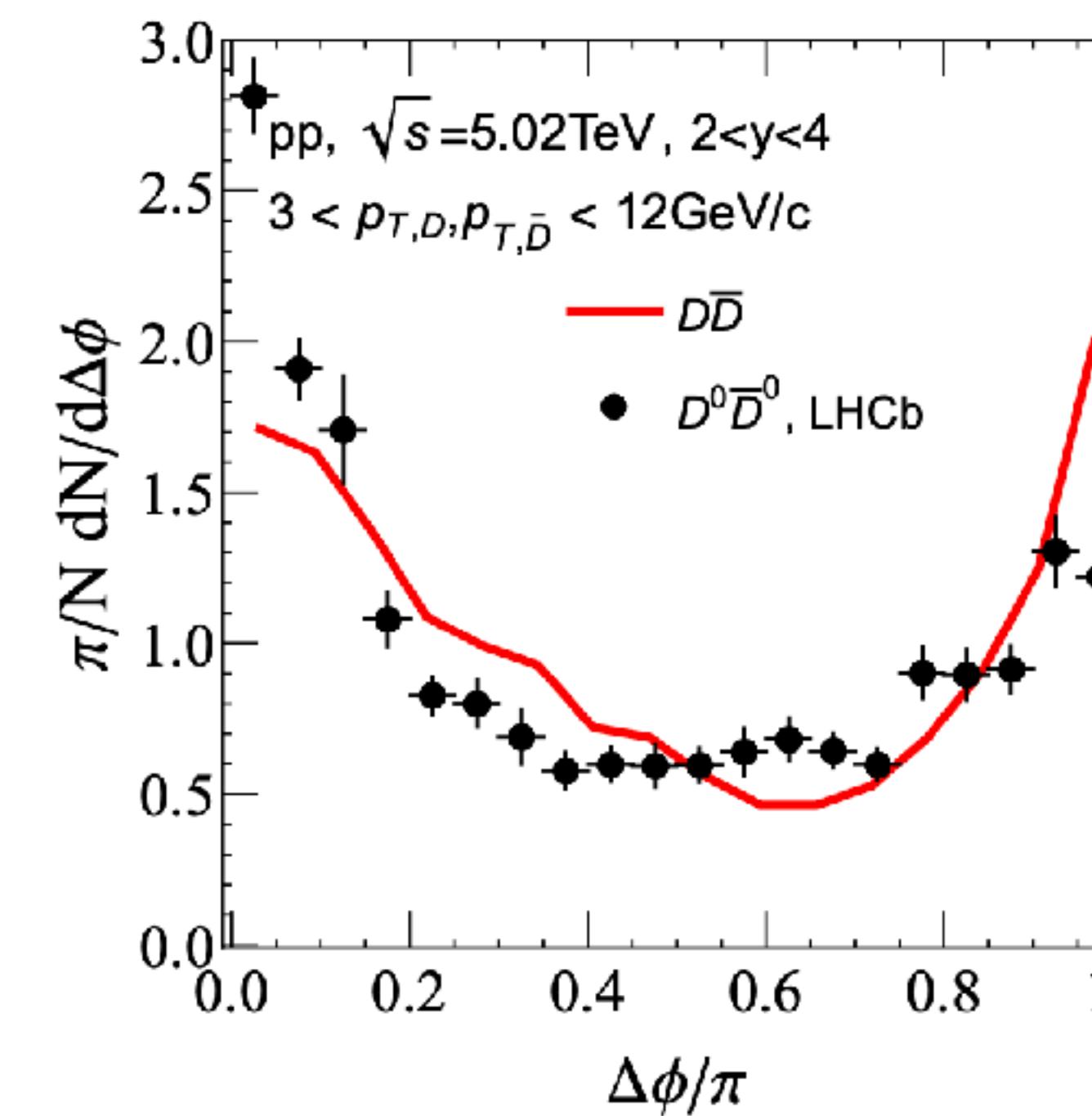
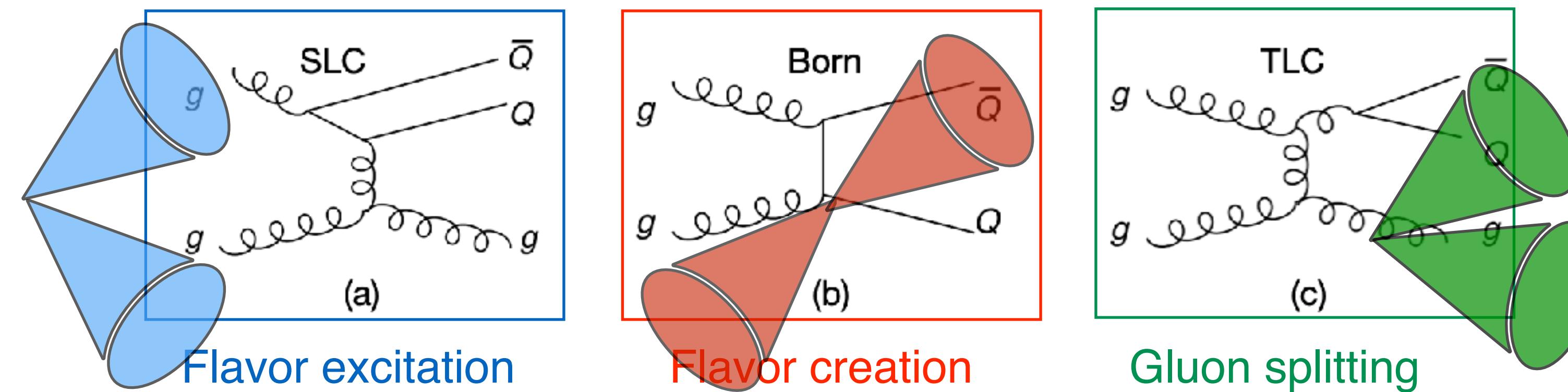
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Heavy quark correlations



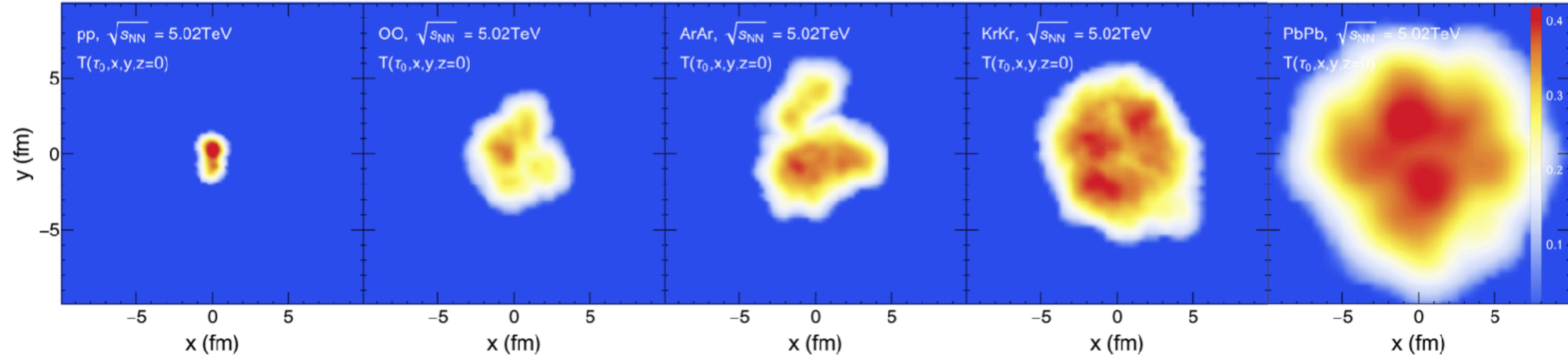
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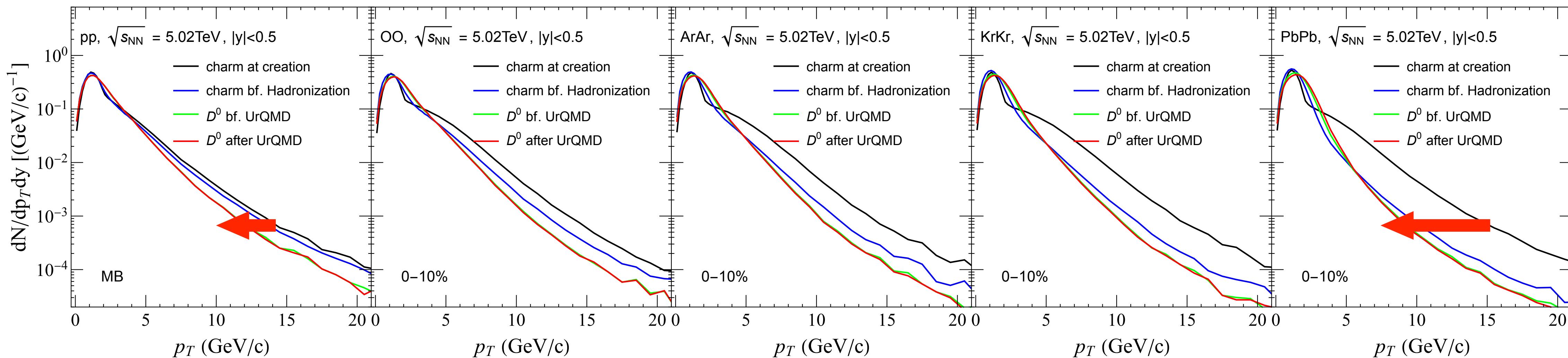
System size dependent energy loss

pp, OO, ArAr, KrKr, PbPb 0-10%

----> to investigate the heavy quark energy loss



Charm quark at creation, after evolution, after hadronization, after UrQMD.



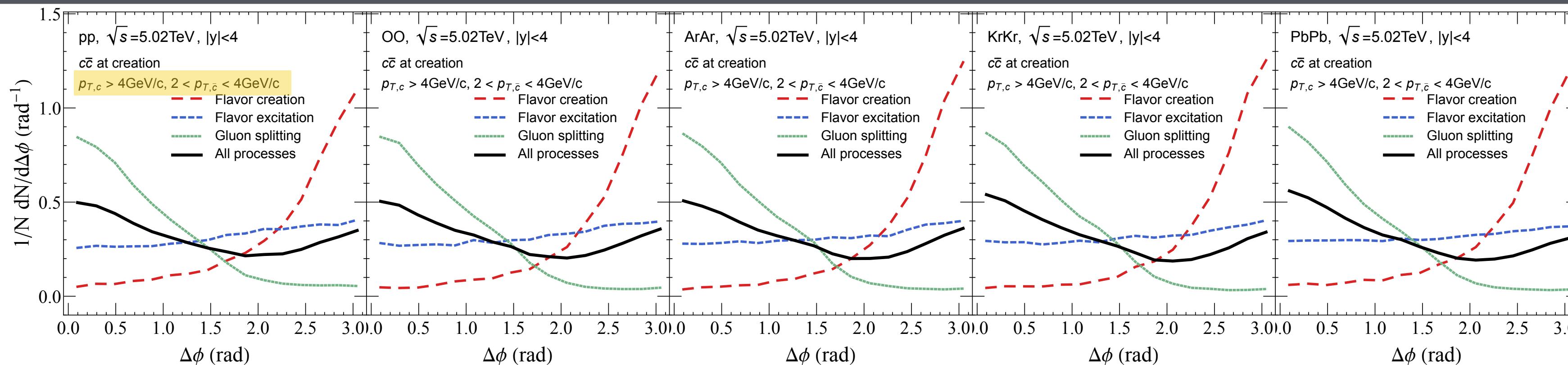
Correlations from different process

Small

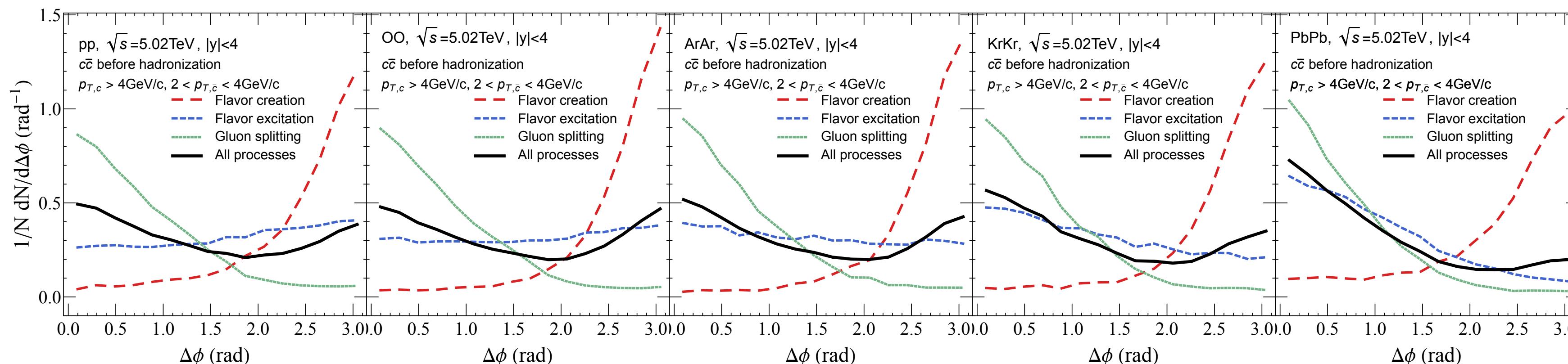
from the same vertex (correlated)

Large

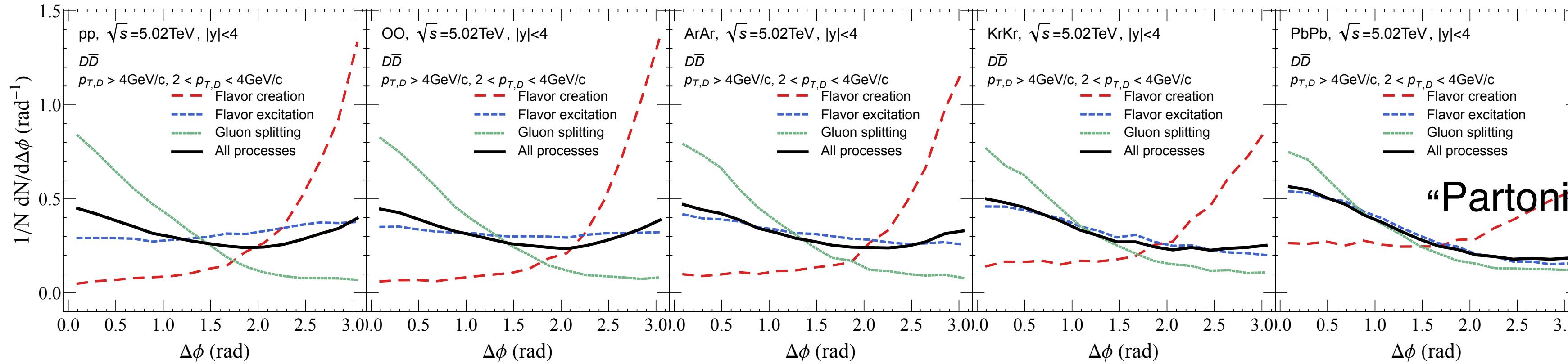
At creation



After energy loss

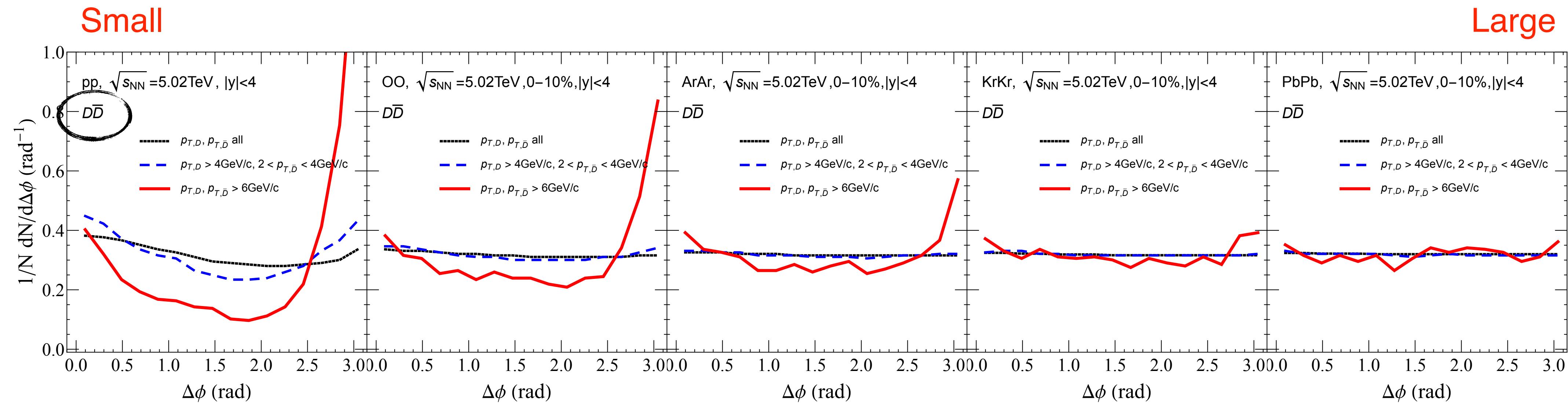


After hadronization



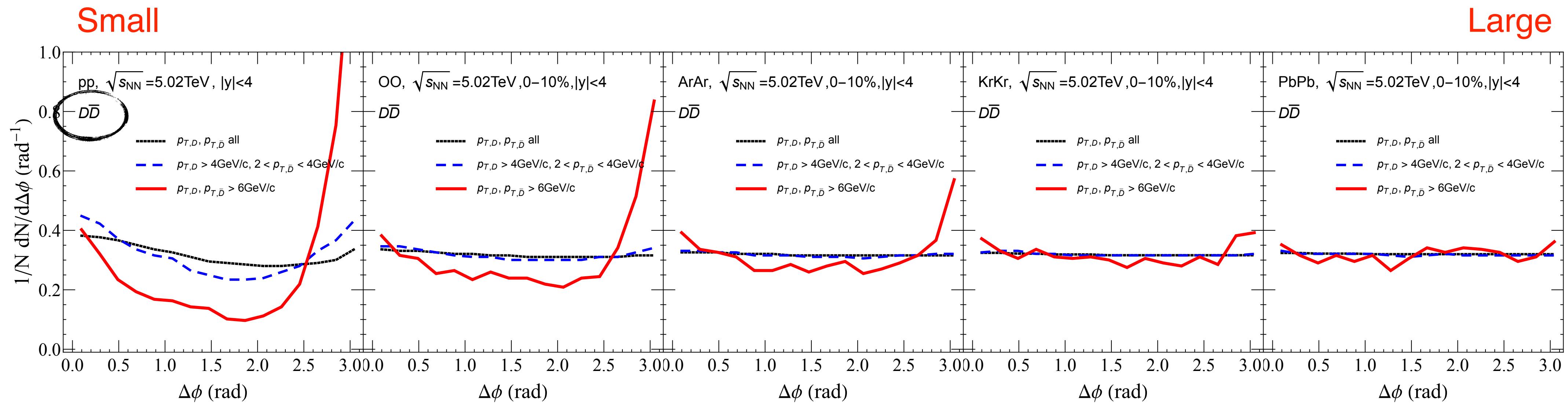
“Partonic wind”

$D\bar{D}$ Correlations



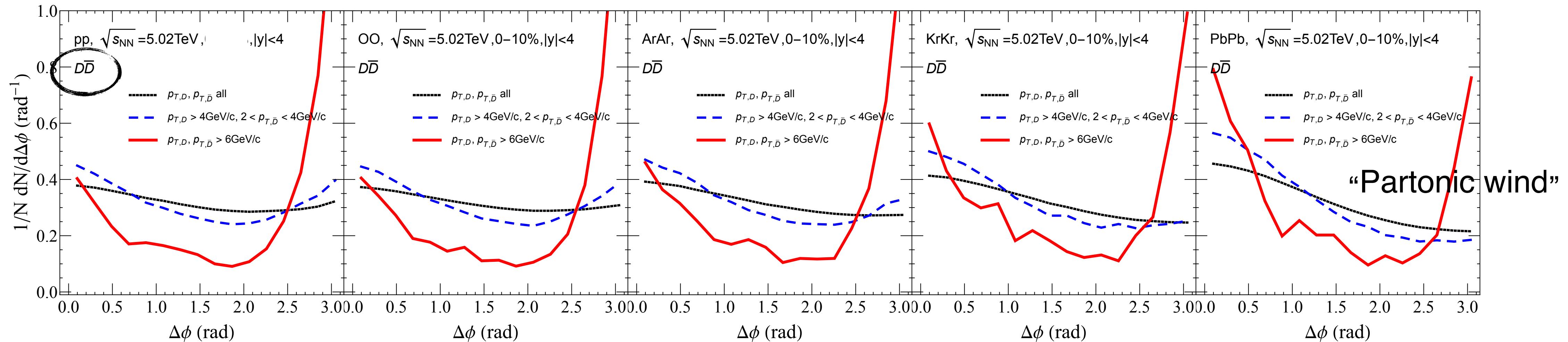
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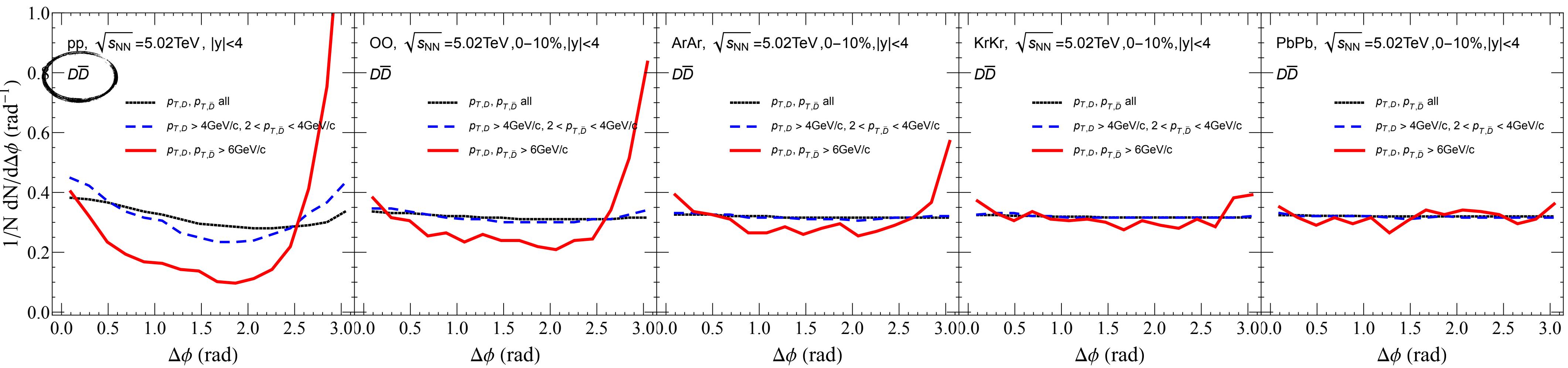
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If only consider the correlation from **correlated** heavy quarks: (**hard** to do in the experiment !!!)



$D\bar{D}$ Correlations

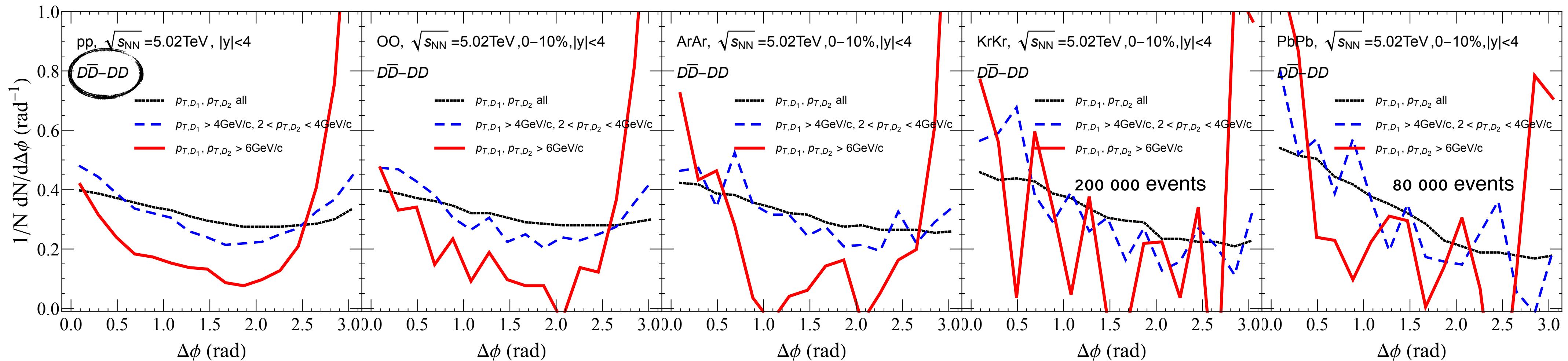
Small



Large

The correlation is washed out by the uncorrelated heavy quark pairs in QGP!

correlation (correlated) = correlation (all) - correlation (uncorrelated): (**easier** to do in the experiment !!!)



It is possible to observe the correlation in the large system by subtracting the DD correlations !

Summary

- ❖ Based on the newly developed EPOS4 framework, the yield of all charmed hadrons ($D^0, D^+, D_s, \Lambda_c, \Xi_c, \Omega_c$, also bottom hadrons), the elliptic flow v_2 , and the correlation of heavy flavor hadrons are well described in both pp and heavy-ion collisions.
- ❖ Our results show that independent of the system size, almost all observables can be well understood in pp collisions assuming that there is system-independent critical energy density for the creation of a QGP —> the existence of a small QGP in high energy pp collisions.
- ❖ It is possible to observe the correlation in the large system by subtracting the DD (uncorrelated) correlations !
- ❖ EPOS4 is now ready for **light** and **open heavy flavors**, and the **quarkonium** part is coming soon.

On going:

- ❖ pA collisions
- ❖ Test the hadronization mechanism by considering the influence of the light quark mass, hadronization temperature, baryon diquark structure, and so on.

Thanks for your attention!