



Recent results on ultra-peripheral collisions measured with ALICE

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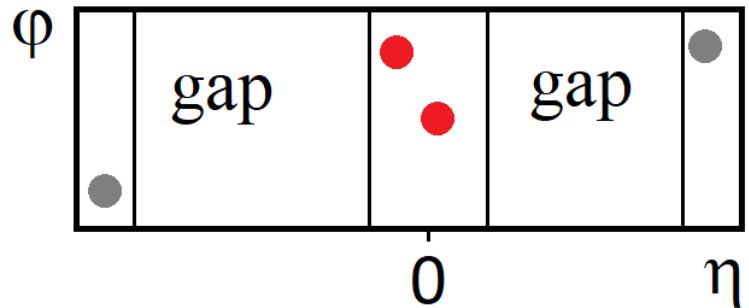
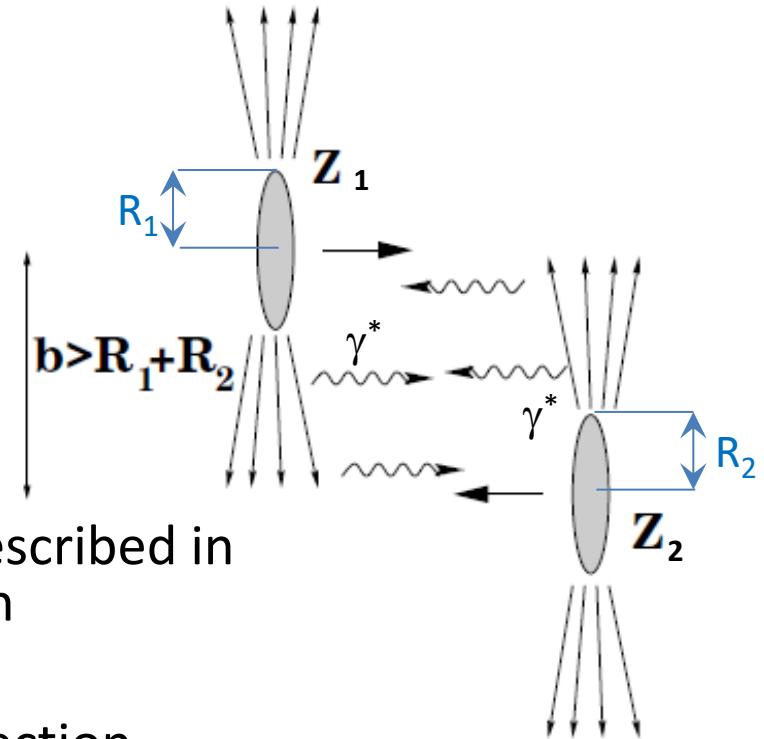
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 - Vector mesons (ρ^0 and J/ψ) in UPC in Run 3
- FOCAL detector upgrade at IFJ PAN, Kraków
- Summary

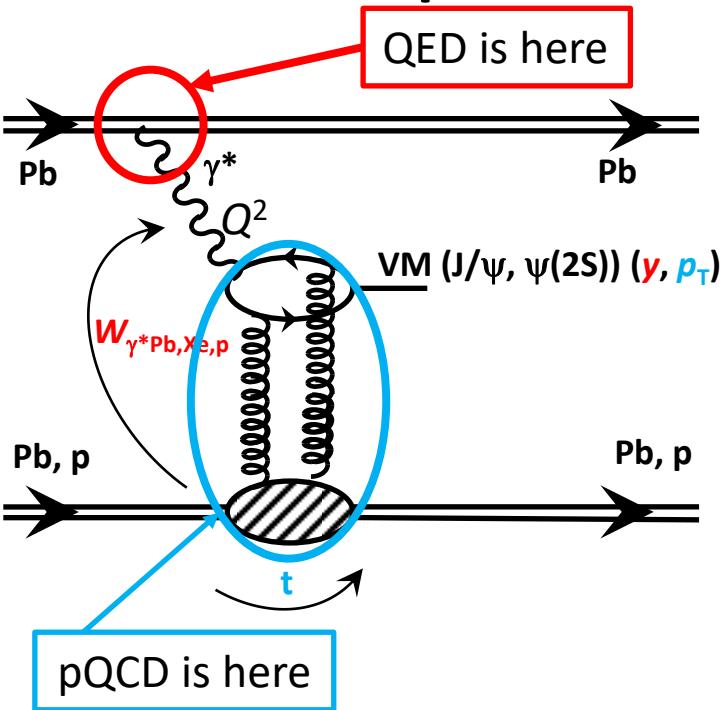


Ultra-peripheral collisions (UPC)

- Impact parameter $b > R_1 + R_2$
 - Hadronic interactions suppressed
- Photon induced reactions:
 - A flux of quasi-real photons well described in Weizsäcker-Williams approximation
 - Photon flux $\sim Z^2$ ($Z_{\text{Pb}} = 82$)
 - Large γ -induced interaction cross section
- Clear signature:
 - Low detector activity
 - Rapidity gap(s)



Photoproduction and main variables



- **Coherent:**
 - Photon couples coherently to all nucleons (whole nucleus)
 - $\langle p_T^{VM} \rangle \sim 1/R_{Pb} \sim 50 \text{ MeV}/c$
- **Incoherent:**
 - Photon couples to a single nucleon
 - $\langle p_T^{VM} \rangle \sim 1/R_p \sim 400 \text{ MeV}/c$

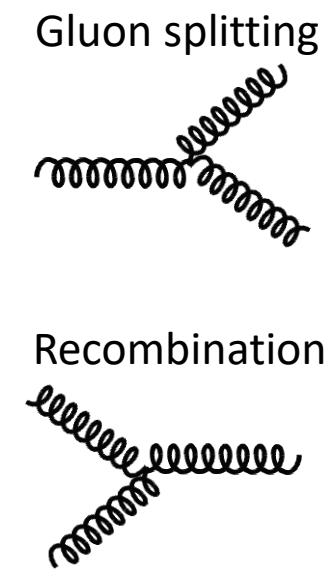
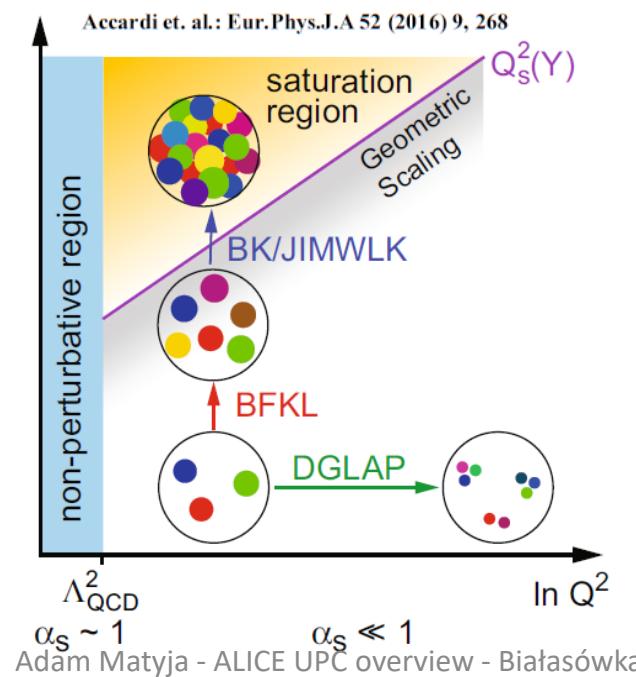
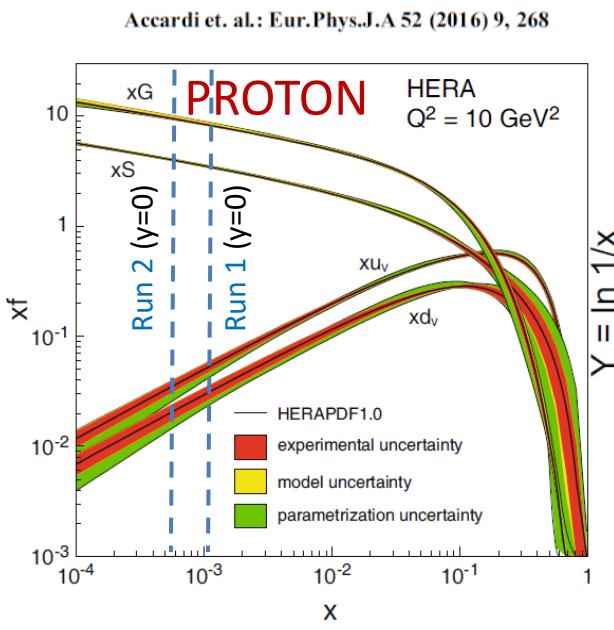
- Photon $Q^2 \sim M_{VM}^2 / 4$
 - Hard scale - high mass of J/ψ
 - Semi-hard scale for ρ^0
- Vector Meson (VM) quantum numbers:
 - $J^{PC} = 1^{--}$
- Bjorken- x : fraction of longitudinal momentum of proton

$$x_B = \frac{M_{VM}}{\sqrt{s_{NN}}} e^{\pm y}$$

- Photoproduction is sensitive to gluon density evolution at low x_B at LO
- There are new NLO calculations
- Photon-target center-of-mass energy
$$W_{\gamma^* Pb, p}^2 = 2E_{Pb, p} M_{VM} e^{\mp y}$$
- 4-momentum transfer t
 - Gluon distribution in the transverse plane
$$|t| \sim p_T^2$$

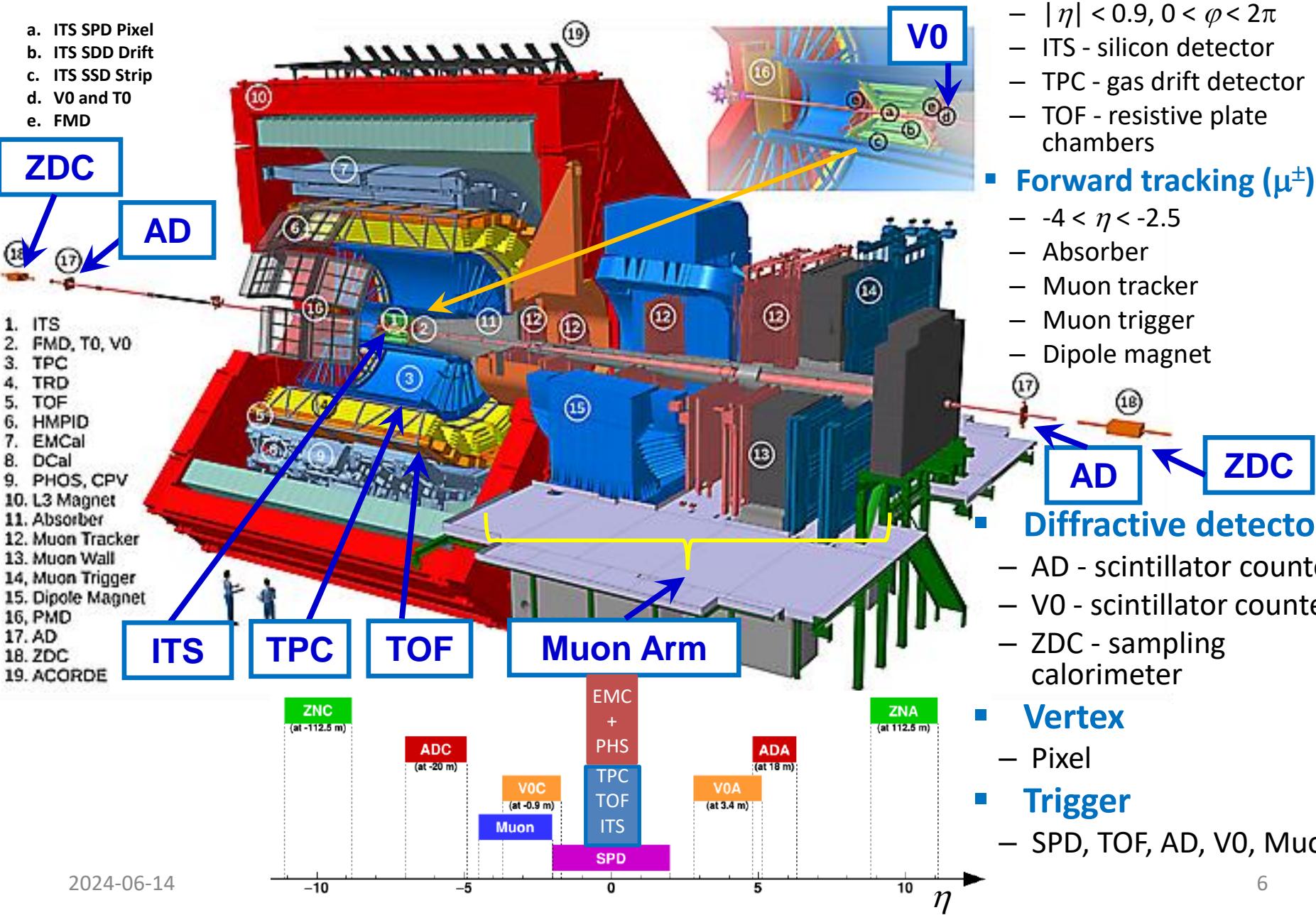
Motivation

- **Coherent vector meson (ρ^0 , J/ψ) photoproduction** particularly sensitive to the **gluon shadowing**
- $|t|$ -dependence helps to constrain **transverse gluonic structure** at low x_B and is sensitive to the **gluon saturation**
- The interference is sensitive to the **gluon distribution** and to the size of nuclei → **gluon tomography**
- Possibility of studies features of not well known **resonances**
- Constrain parameters of **models**



ALICE in Run 2

- a. ITS SPD Pixel
- b. ITS SDD Drift
- c. ITS SSD Strip
- d. V0 and T0
- e. FMD



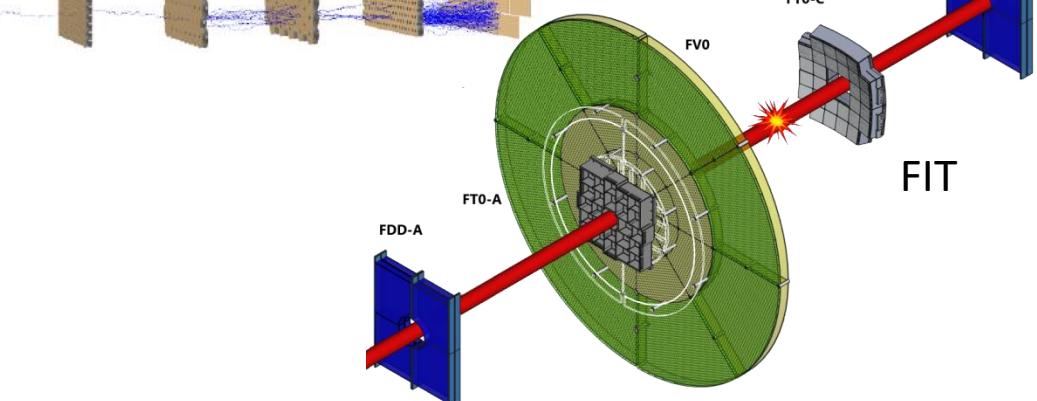
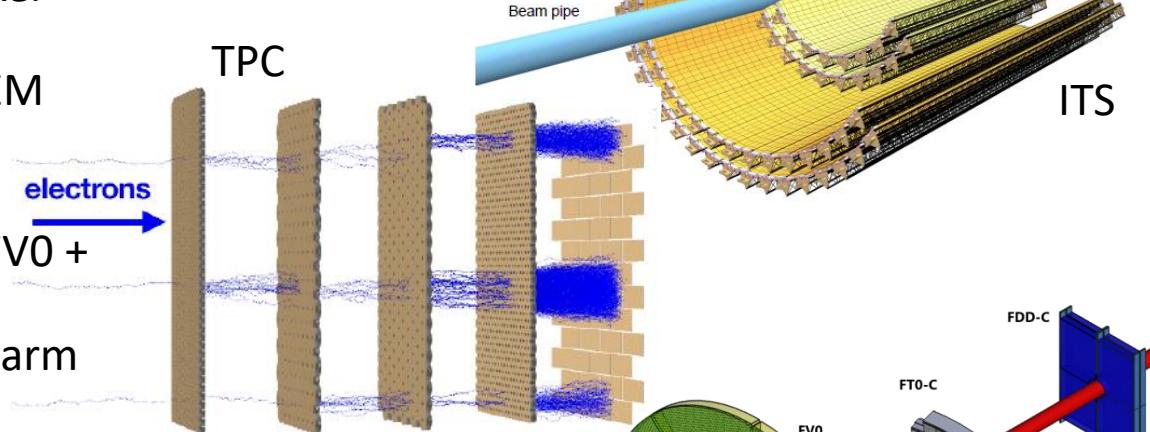
- **Central Barrel tracking (e^\pm, h^\pm)**
 - $|\eta| < 0.9, 0 < \varphi < 2\pi$
 - ITS - silicon detector
 - TPC - gas drift detector
 - TOF - resistive plate chambers
- **Forward tracking (μ^\pm)**
 - $-4 < \eta < -2.5$
 - Absorber
 - Muon tracker
 - Muon trigger
 - Dipole magnet
- **Diffractive detectors**
 - AD - scintillator counter
 - V0 - scintillator counter
 - ZDC - sampling calorimeter
- **Vertex**
 - Pixel
- **Trigger**
 - SPD, TOF, AD, V0, Muon

ALICE in Run 3

- Large **upgrade** during LS2

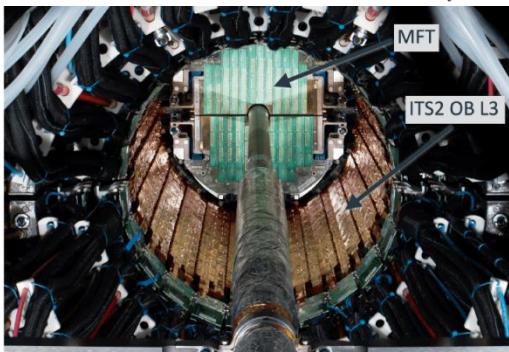
- Inner Tracking System – full pixel layers
 - Time Projection Chamber – GEM readout
 - New Muon Forward Tracker
 - New Fast Interaction Trigger (FV0 + FT0 + FDD)
 - New Event Processing Nodes Farm
 - Upgraded readout for most of detectors
- ⇒ **continuous readout** at high rate

ALICE: JINST 19 P05062 (2024)



- **pp** data taking at 500 kHz

- Temporary data storage on disk buffer
- **Asynchronous (offline) trigger** with $\sim 10^{-4}$ selection



EPN farm



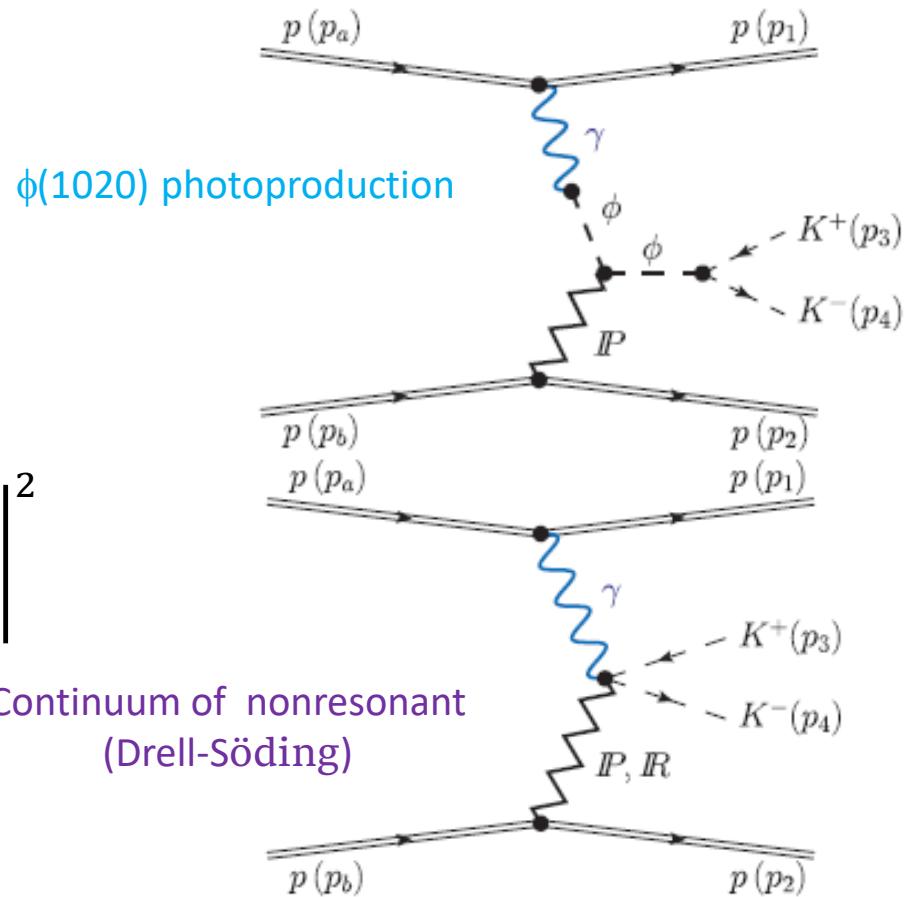
Exclusive K^+K^- photoproduction

- Different physics processes
 - Non distinguishable
 - Interfere
- $\text{BR}(\phi(1020) \rightarrow K^+K^-) = 49.2\%$
- Cross section described by Söding formula

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dM_{KK}} = \left| A_\phi \frac{\sqrt{M_{KK} M_\phi \Gamma_\phi}}{M_{KK}^2 - M_\phi^2 + i M_\phi \Gamma_\phi} + B_{KK} \right|^2$$

$$\Gamma_\phi = \Gamma_0 \frac{M_K}{M_{KK}} \left(\frac{M_{KK}^2 - 4M_K^2}{M_\phi^2 - 4M_K^2} \right)^{3/2}$$

Native ϕ width: $\Gamma_0 = 4.249 \pm 0.013 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

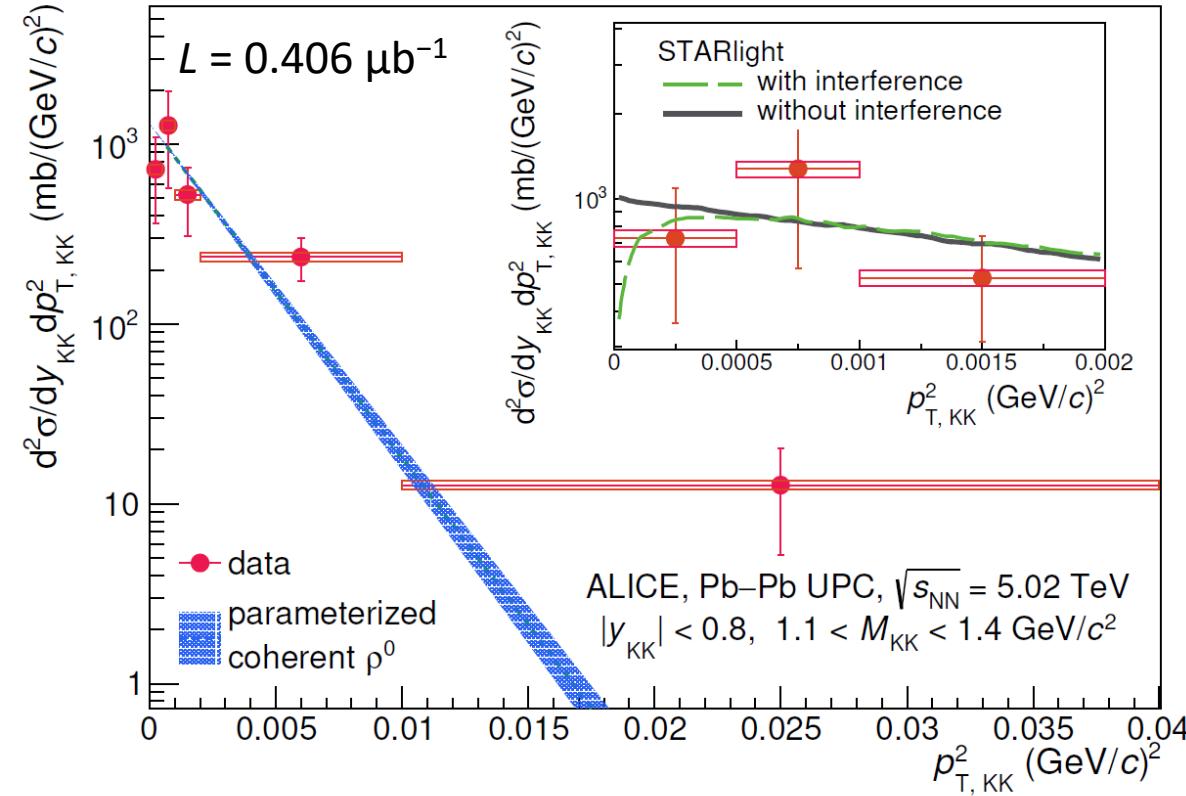


Diagrams from P. Lebiedowicz et al., PRD 98, 014001 (2018)

- Tool to access couplings of vector meson ($\phi(1020)$) and meson pairs (K^+K^-) with a photon and a nucleus at extremely high energies

Exclusive K^+K^- photoproduction

ALICE: PRL 132, 222303 (2024)



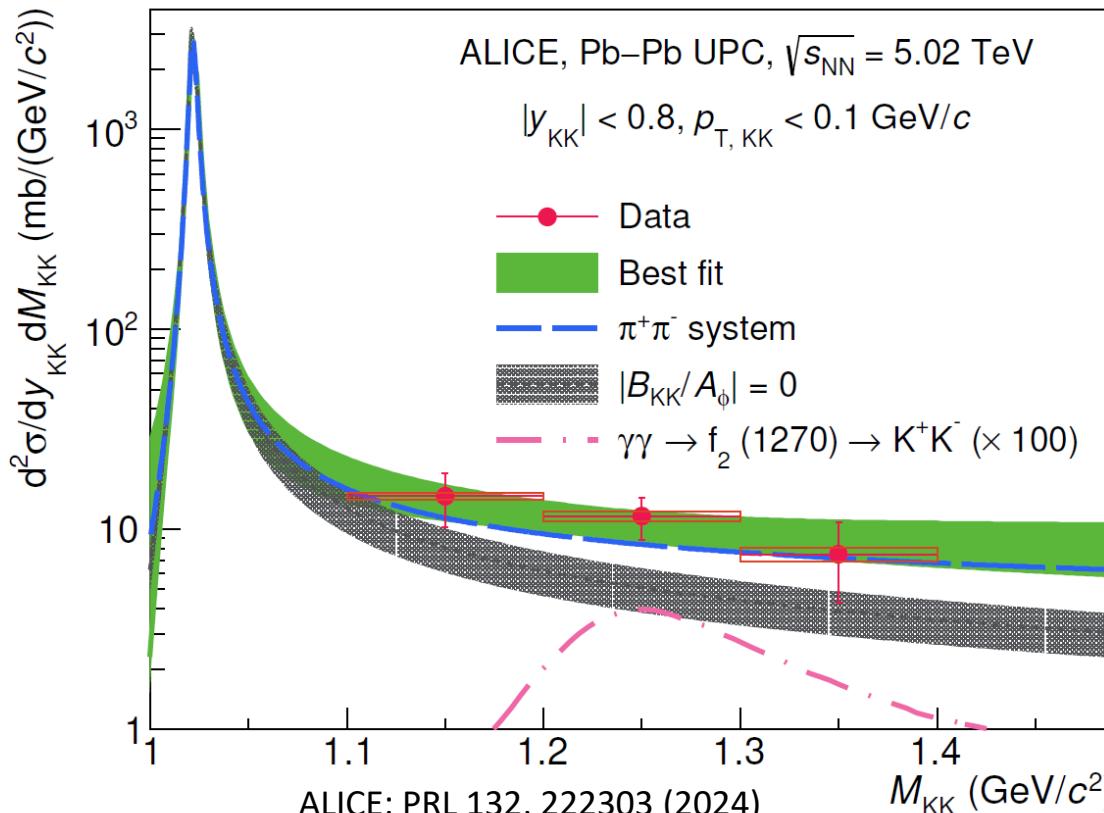
- $f(p_T^2) = A \exp(-B p_T^2)$
- Slope parameter
 $B = 428 \pm 6^{\text{stat}} \pm 15^{\text{syst}} (\text{GeV}/c)^{-2}$
taken from ALICE measurement

ALI-PUB-565617

- First measurement of K^+K^- photoproduction in heavy-ion UPCs
- Exclusive K^+K^- photoproduction as a function of $p_T^2 \approx |t|$
- Well described by exponential function with ALICE parameters
- The cross section at low p_T^2 is in favor of photoproduction with destructive interference (observed by STAR, PRL 102, 112301 (2009))

Inv. mass of coherent K^+K^- photoproduction

- Photon-nucleus center of mass energy $W_{\gamma\text{Pb}}$ varies from 33 to 188 GeV
 - Order of magnitude higher than previous measurements
- Contribution from $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow X \rightarrow K^+K^-$ negligible
- Söding formula with $|B/A| = 0$ hypothesis is 2σ away from the measurement
⇒ non-negligible non-resonant contribution



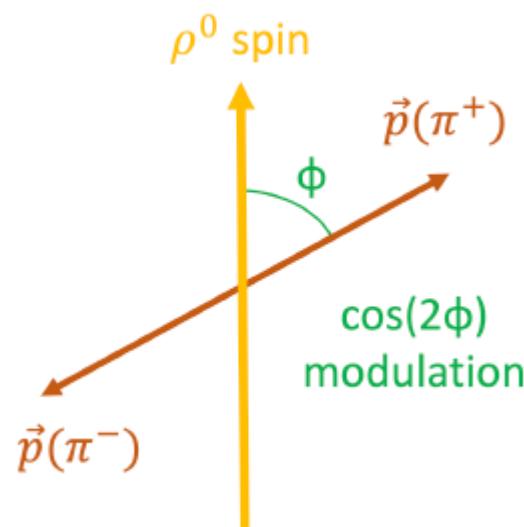
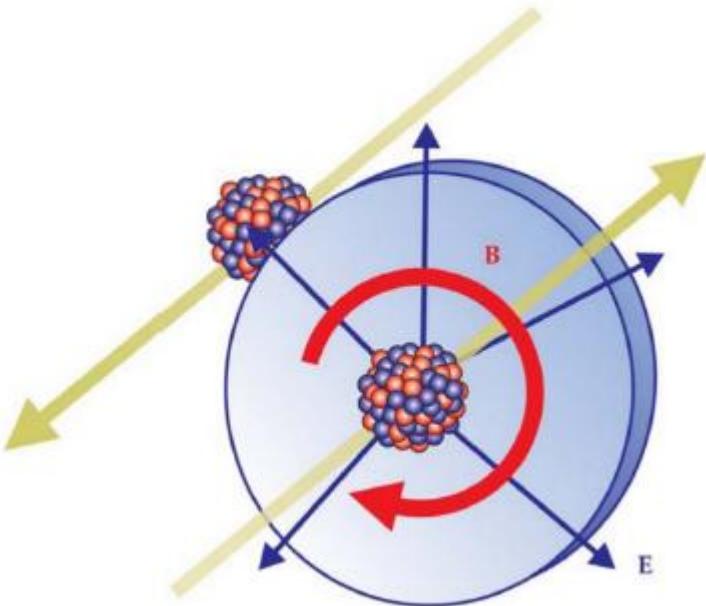
The measured M_{KK} distribution in agreement with ϕ resonance + continuum production

Integrated cross section
 $d\sigma/dy_{KK} = 3.37 \pm 0.61^{\text{stat}} \pm 0.15^{\text{syst}}$ mb

Best fit:
 $|\mathcal{B}_{KK}/A_\phi| = 0.28$ (GeV/c²)^{-1/2}
 $\phi = 0.06$ rad

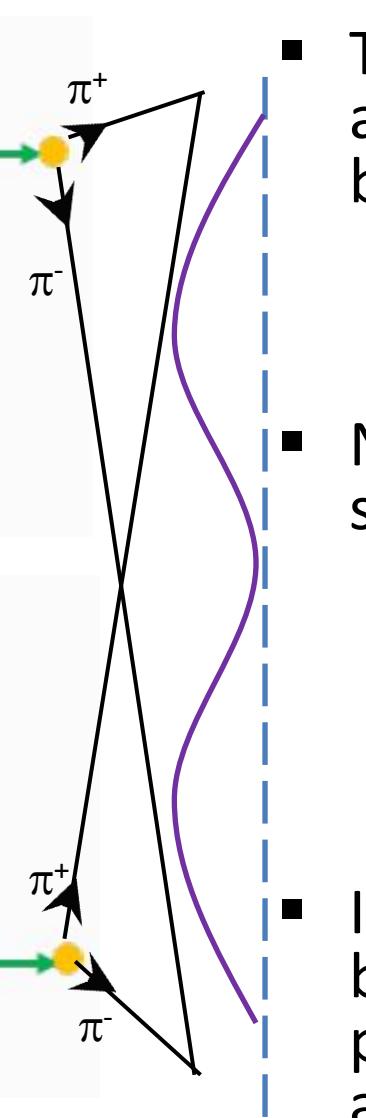
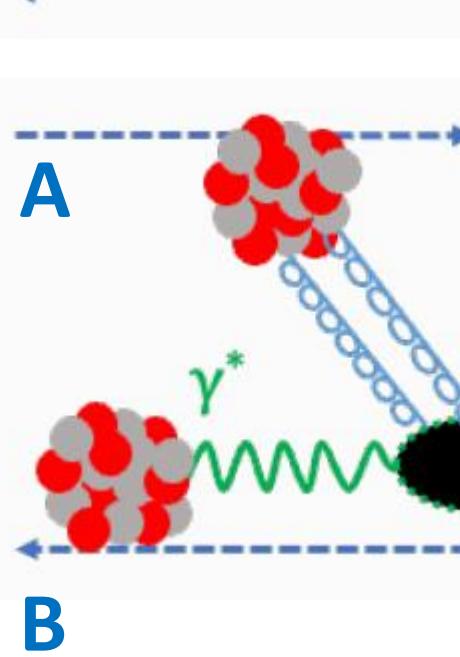
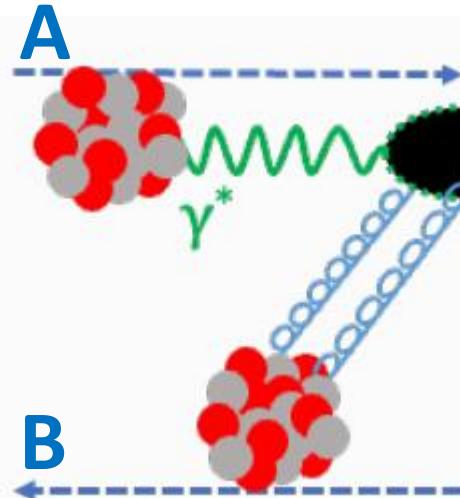
$\pi^+\pi^-$ system:
 $|B/A| = 0.54 \pm 0.01^{\text{stat}} \pm 0.02^{\text{syst}}$
(GeV/c²)^{-1/2}
 $\phi = 1.46 \pm 0.11^{\text{stat}} \pm 0.07^{\text{syst}}$ rad

Azimuthal anisotropy - polarization



- EM field of the nuclei is highly Lorenz contracted
⇒ Exchanged photons are fully linearly polarized along the impact parameter
- The polarization is transferred to the ρ^0
- ρ^0 is short lived and decays
 - ⇒ Polarization is transferred to the orbital angular momentum of pions
 - ⇒ The angular distribution of pions determined by the conservation of the total angular momentum
 - ⇒ Azimuthal $\cos(2\phi)$ modulation of decay products in the momentum distribution w.r.t. the polarization direction
 - ⇒ But, the impact parameter is random event-by-event, so the anisotropy vanishes

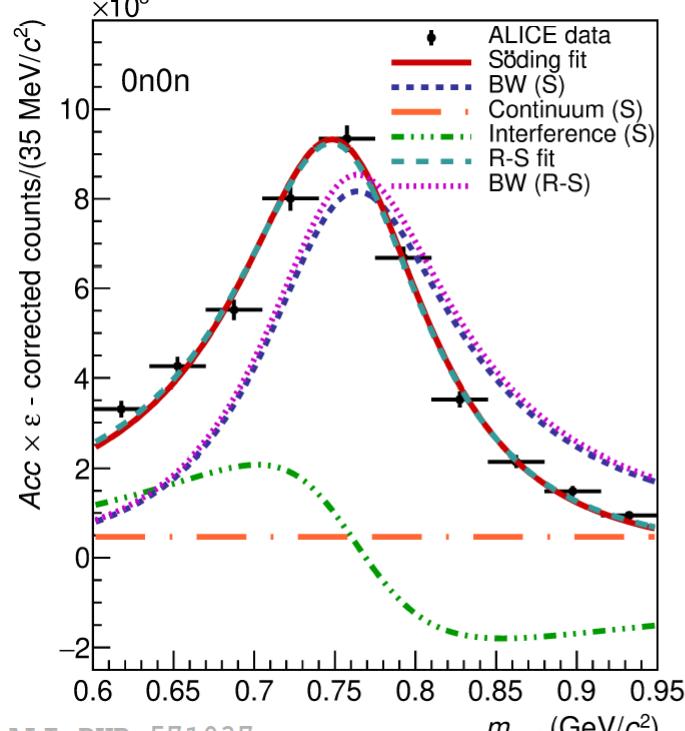
Quantum interference



- Two indistinguishable **sources** (γ^*) and **targets** of produced VM related by parity transformation
 - Interference between amplitudes → add the amplitudes, not the cross sections
- Negative parity of VM → opposite sign of amplitude
 - $\sigma \sim |1 - e^{ip \cdot b}|^2$
 - Destructive interference at very low $p_T < 1/b$
 - Reduction of production cross section at small p_T
- Interference effect (correlation between p^0 momentum and polarization along b) preserves the anisotropy

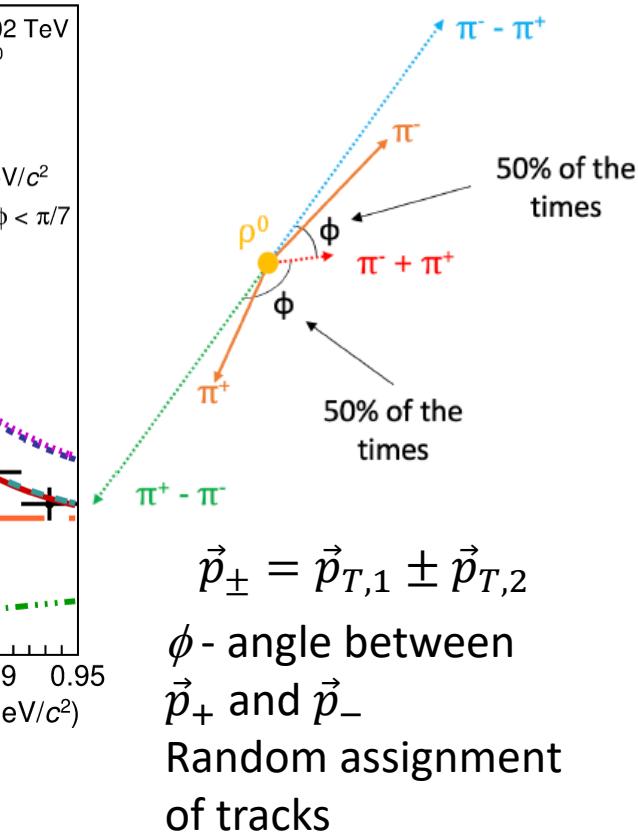
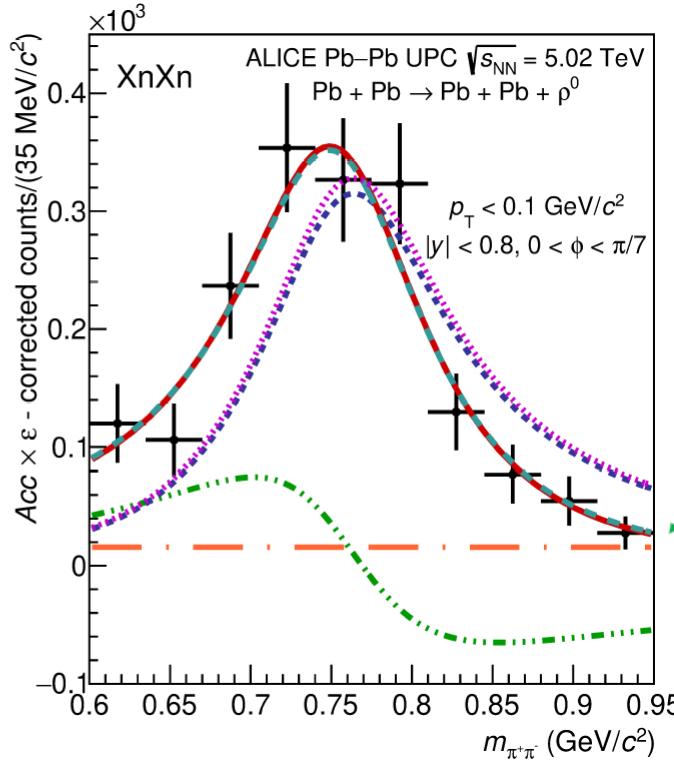
Double-slit experiment at fm scale!

ρ^0 signal in neutron emission classes

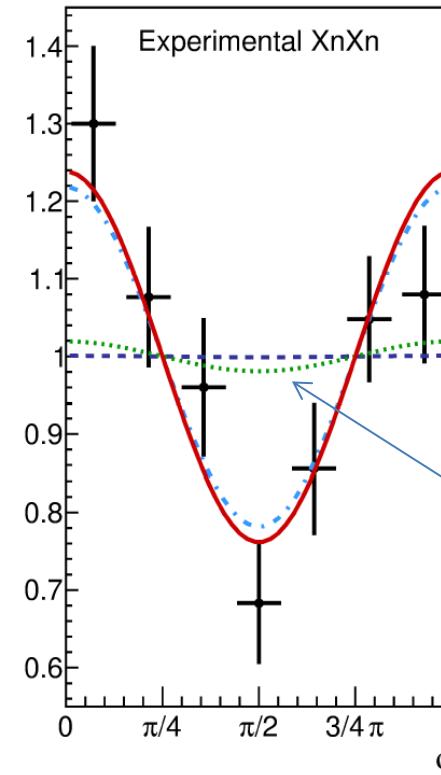
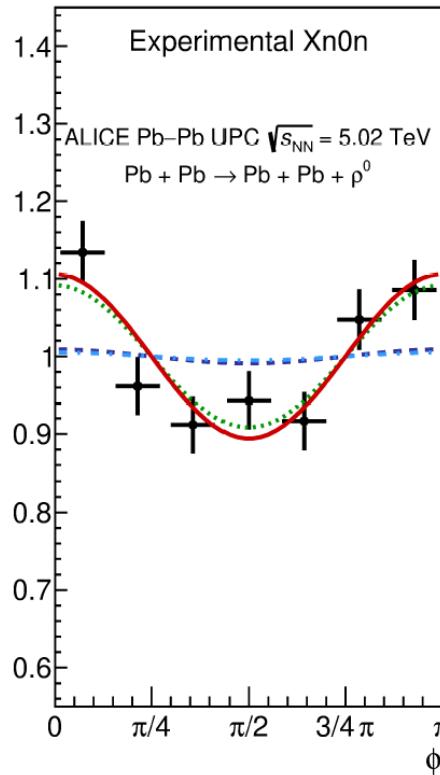
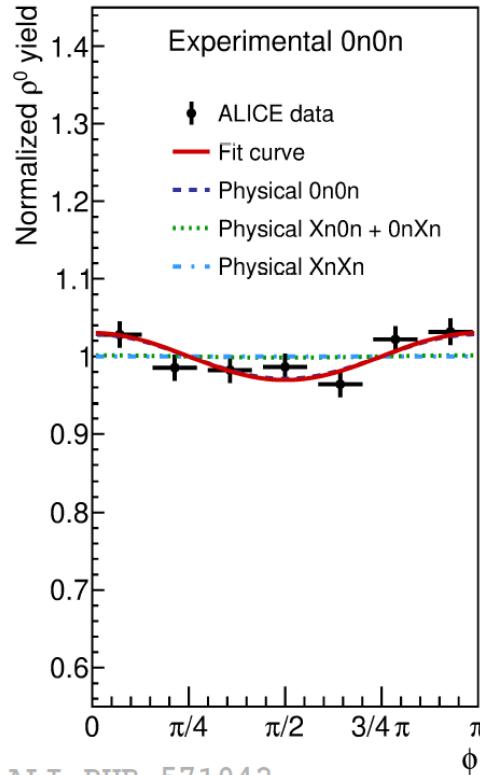


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ALICE: arXiv:2405.14525, submitted to PLB



Asymmetry extraction



ALICE: arXiv:2405.14525,
submitted to PLB

Largest effect
in XnXn and
Xn0n classes

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Corrected for migrations across neutron classes (pile-up and ZN efficiency) → simultaneous fit in each ϕ range

Normalised ρ^0 yield

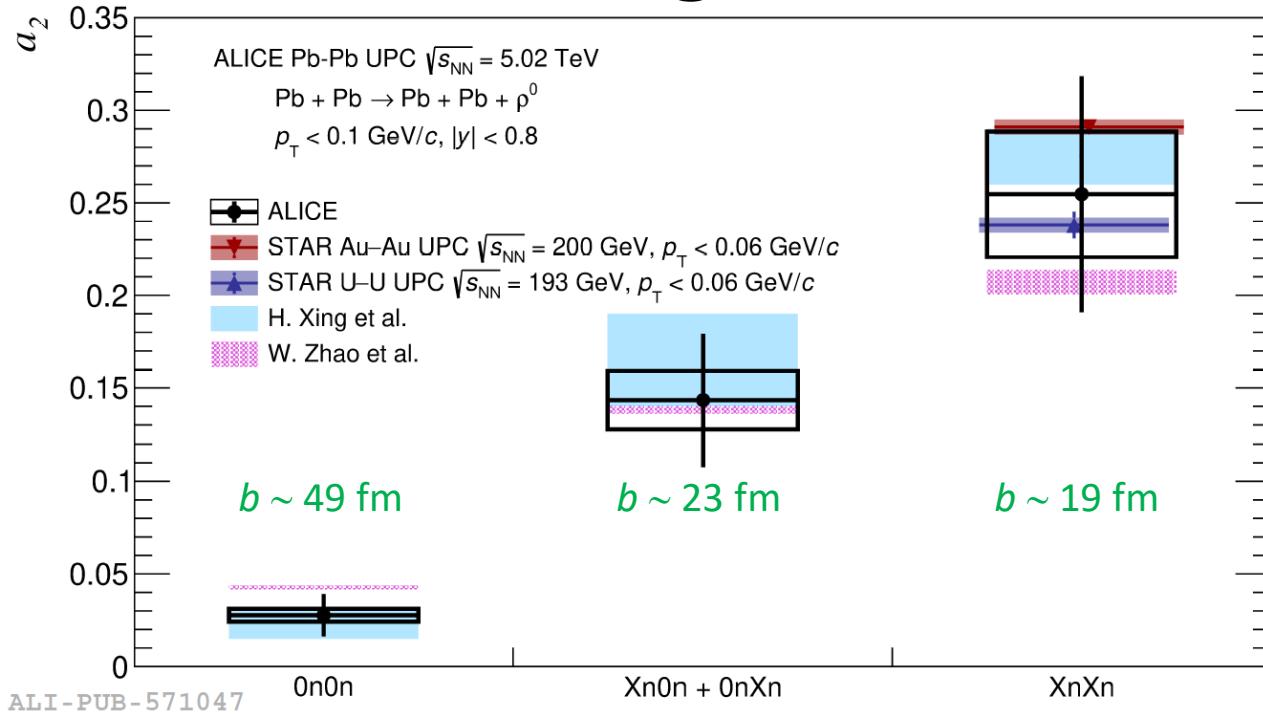
$$\begin{pmatrix} n_{\rho}^{0n0n}(\phi) \\ n_{\rho}^{Xn0n}(\phi) \\ n_{\rho}^{XnXn}(\phi) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} w_{0n0n \rightarrow 0n0n} & w_{Xn0n \rightarrow 0n0n} & w_{XnXn \rightarrow 0n0n} \\ w_{0n0n \rightarrow Xn0n} & w_{Xn0n \rightarrow Xn0n} & w_{XnXn \rightarrow Xn0n} \\ w_{0n0n \rightarrow XnXn} & w_{Xn0n \rightarrow XnXn} & w_{XnXn \rightarrow XnXn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Migration matrix

True amplitudes
of the modulation

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{20n0n} \\ a_{2Xn0n} \\ a_{2XnXn} \end{pmatrix} \cos(2\phi)$$

Angular anisotropy



ALICE: arXiv:2405.14525,
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Coherently
photoproduced
 $\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

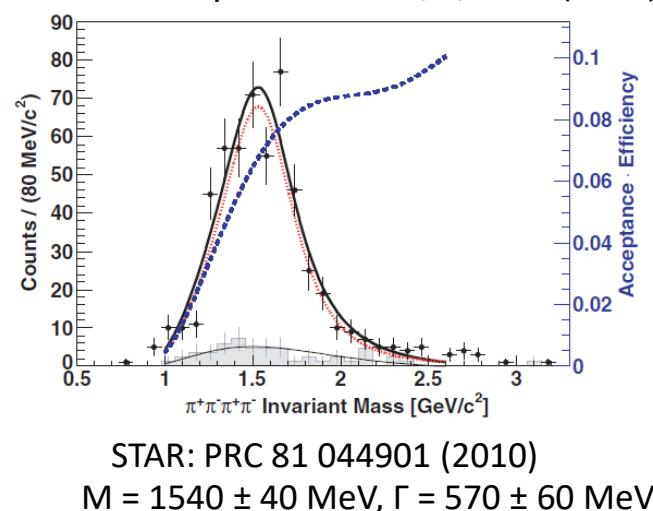
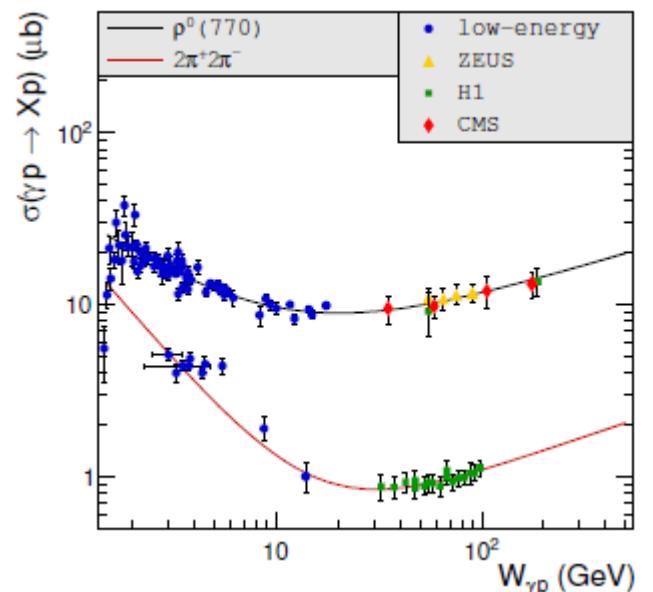
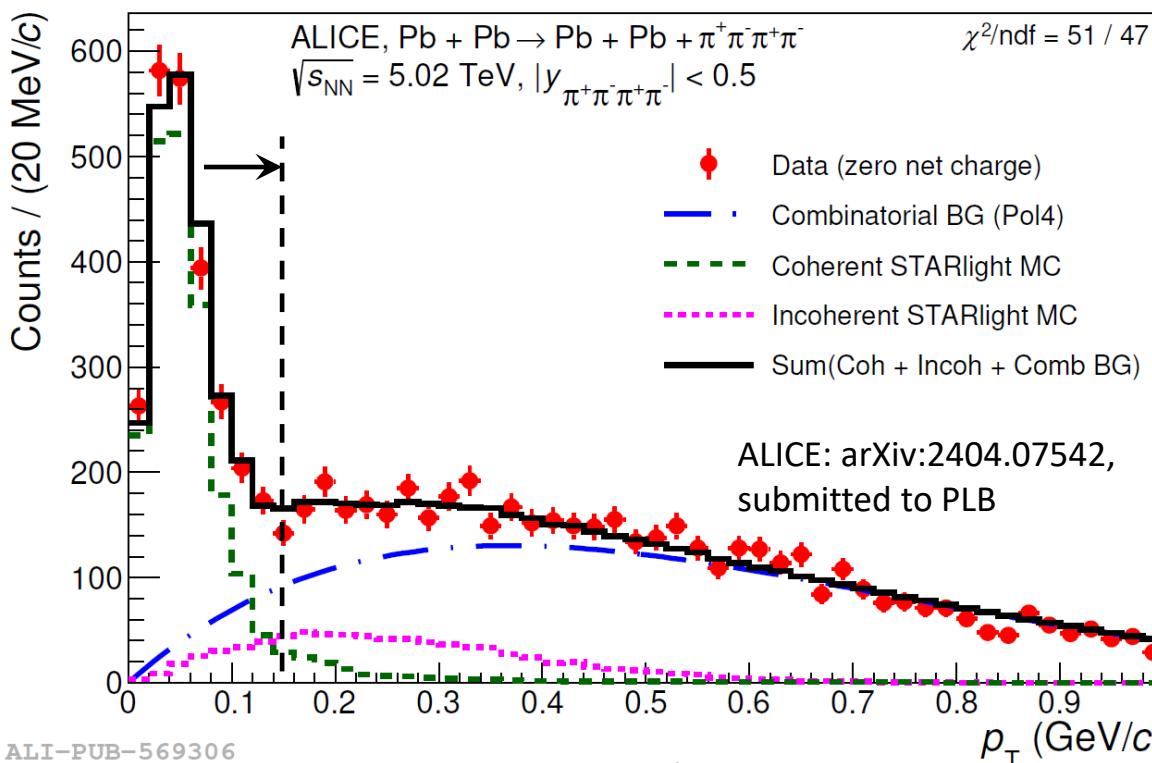
STAR: Sci. Adv. 9 eabq3903 (2023)

Xing: JHEP 10, 064 (2020)
Zhao: PRC 109, 024908 (2023)
- different treatment of Wilson lines
(color charge density)

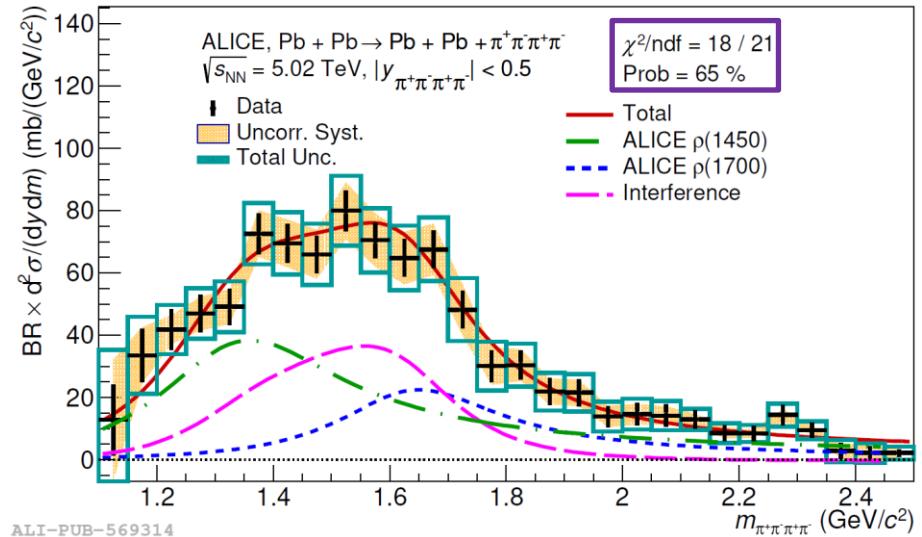
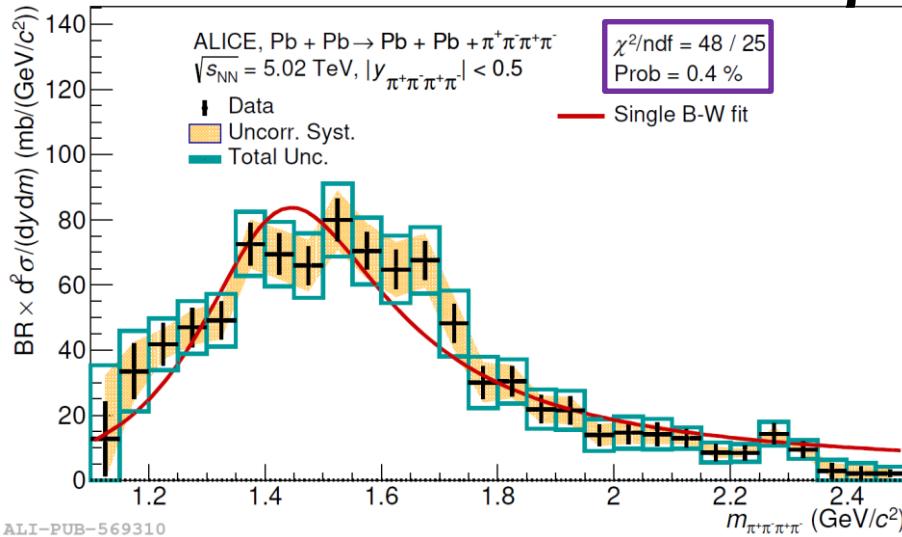
- First measurement of the angular anisotropy in neutron breakup classes
⇒ Impact parameter dependence
- The magnitude increases with decreasing impact parameter
- The strength of correlations in agreement with model calculations
 - The anisotropy comes from linearly polarized photons + quantum interference effect
 - Not possible to constrain models → Run 3 data will help
- XnXn amplitude in agreement with STAR results for Au-Au and U-U

Exclusive four pion photoproduction

- $\rho^0(770)$ photoproduction extensively studied in H1, ZEUS, STAR, CMS and ALICE
- Excited ρ states expected
 - The mass and the width poorly measured
- $\text{Pb Pb} \rightarrow \text{Pb Pb } \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$
- Coherent component clearly seen



Excited ρ resonances



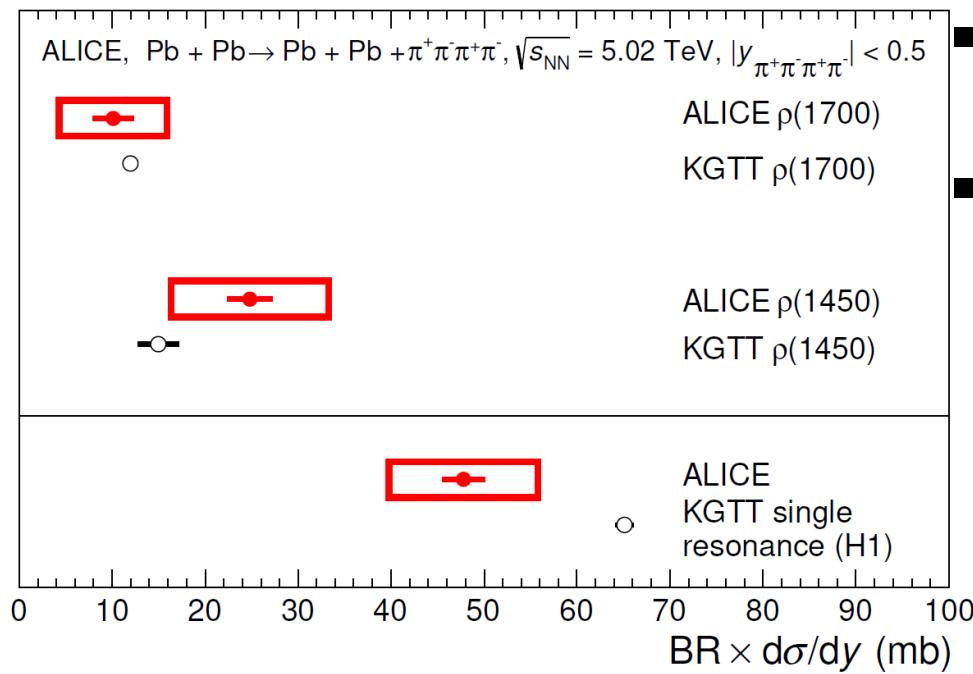
- Fully corrected invariant mass distribution fitted with a relativistic Breit-Wigner with a Söding term with one or two resonances
 - Single resonance fit in agreement with $\rho(1450)$
 - Disfavoured ($\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 48/25$)
 - Two resonances fit give better description ($\chi^2/\text{ndf} = 18/21$)
 - Rough agreement with PDG $\rho(1450)$ and $\rho(1700)$ with mixing angle

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dm_{\pi\pi\pi\pi}} = |A \cdot BW_1 + e^{-i\phi} B \cdot BW_2|^2$$

	m (MeV/c ²)	Γ (MeV/c ²)
PDG $\rho(1450)$	1465 ± 25	400 ± 60
PDG $\rho(1700)$	1720 ± 20	250 ± 100
STAR Au-Au	1540 ± 40	570 ± 60
ALICE Pb-Pb single resonance	$1463 \pm 2 \pm 15$	$448 \pm 6 \pm 14$
ALICE Pb-Pb $\rho(1450)$	$1385 \pm 14 \pm 36$	$431 \pm 36 \pm 82$
ALICE Pb-Pb $\rho(1700)$	$1663 \pm 13 \pm 22$	$357 \pm 31 \pm 49$
Mixing angle	$1.52 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.19$ (rad)	

Cross section × Branching ratio

- Total cross section based on single and double resonance scenario



- Single resonance:
 - $p(1450)$: $47.8 \pm 2.3^{\text{stat}} \pm 7.7^{\text{syst}}$ mb
- Double resonance:
 - $p(1450)$: $24.8 \pm 2.5^{\text{stat}} \pm 8.1^{\text{syst}}$ mb
 - $p(1700)$: $10.1 \pm 2.3^{\text{stat}} \pm 5.3^{\text{syst}}$ mb

KGTT: Acta Phys. Polon. B51, 6, 1393 (2020)

9318 ALICE: arXiv:2404.07542, submitted to PLB

- The sum of cross sections is smaller than the total one due to large interference component
- Cross sections in double resonance scenario give better agreement with theoretical calculations (KGTT) than single resonance scenario

Rapidity dependence: Ambiguity problem

$$\frac{d\sigma_{AA \rightarrow AA' J/\psi}}{dy} = N(\omega_{\gamma 1}) \sigma_{\gamma A}(\omega_{\gamma 1}) + N(\omega_{\gamma 2}) \sigma_{\gamma A}(\omega_{\gamma 2})$$

N – photon flux $x_B = \frac{1}{\omega_{\gamma 1, \gamma 2}} \frac{M^2_{VM}}{2\sqrt{s_{NN}}}$

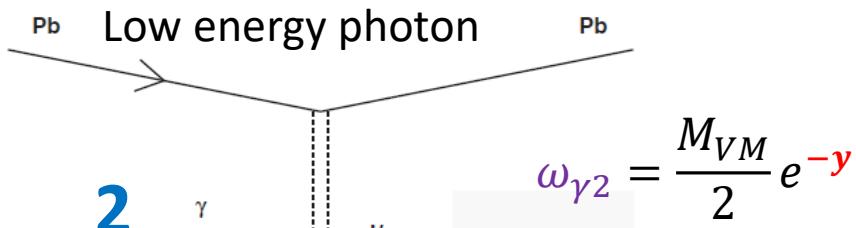
ω_γ - photon energy

- Two sources \Rightarrow two values of x_B

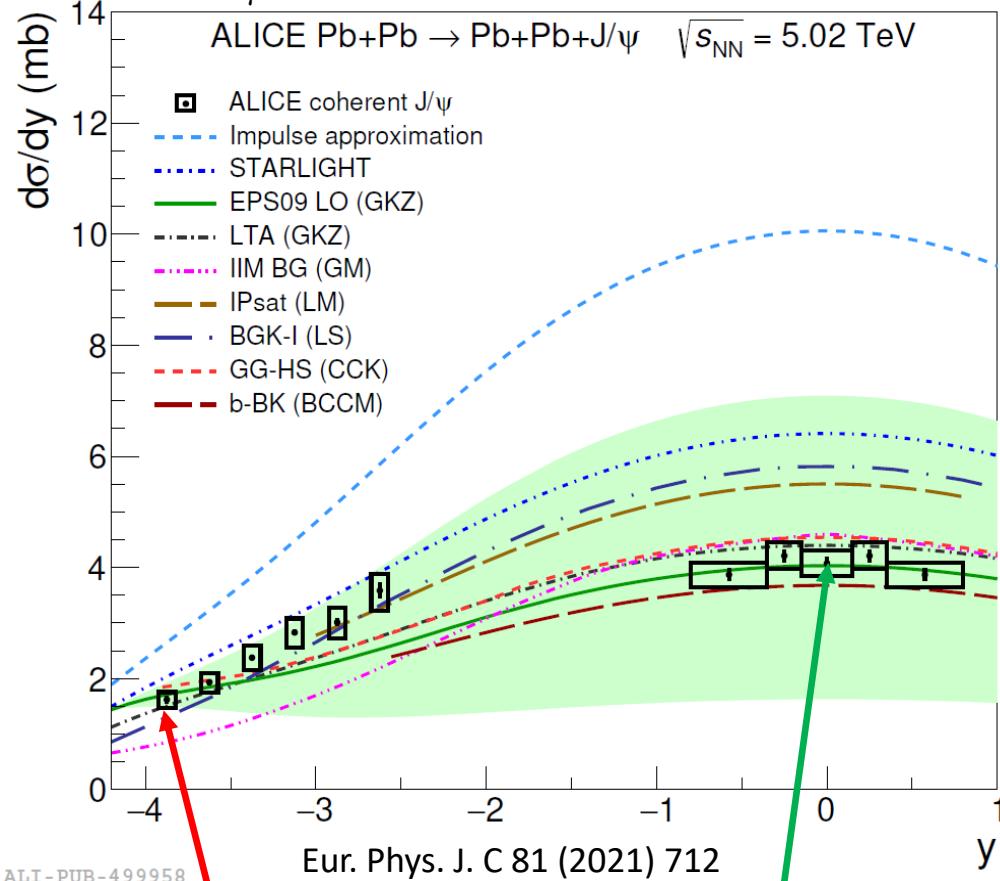
Pb High energy photon



Pb Low energy photon



Contreras, PRC 96, 015203 (2017)



1: 5 % $x_B \sim 1.1 \times 10^{-5}$
 2: 95 % $x_B \sim 3.3 \times 10^{-2}$

50 % each $x_B \sim 10^{-3}$

How to solve the x_B ambiguity?

$$\frac{d\sigma_{AA \rightarrow AA' J/\psi}}{dy} = N(\omega_{\gamma 1})\sigma_{\gamma A}(\omega_{\gamma 1}) + N(\omega_{\gamma 2})\sigma_{\gamma A}(\omega_{\gamma 2})$$

N – photon flux
 ω_γ - photon energy

- Breakup class \leftrightarrow impact parameter dependence
- Different breakup classes using the neutron ZDC on the A and C side
- Photon flux depends on the impact parameter
- Solving the linear equations resolves the two-fold ambiguity for VMs at $y \neq 0$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{PbPb}}{dy} = \frac{d\sigma_{PbPb}^{0N0N}}{dy} + 2\frac{d\sigma_{PbPb}^{0NXN}}{dy} + \frac{d\sigma_{PbPb}^{XNXN}}{dy}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{PbPb}^{0N0N}}{dy}$$

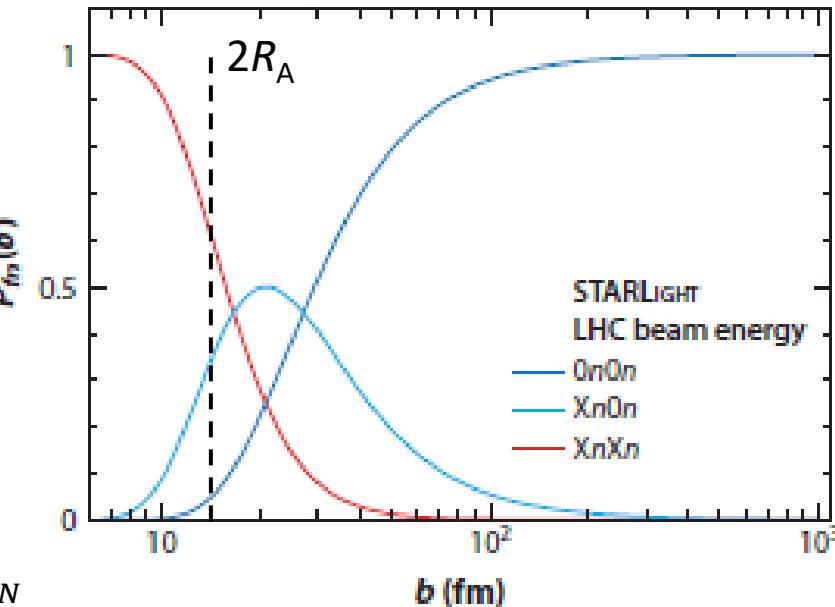
measured

$$= N^{0N0N}(\omega_{\gamma 1}, +y)\sigma_{\gamma Pb}(\omega_{\gamma 1}, +y) + N^{0N0N}(\omega_{\gamma 2}, -y)\sigma_{\gamma Pb}(\omega_{\gamma 2}, -y)$$

theory

$$= N^{0NXN}(\omega_{\gamma 1}, +y)\sigma_{\gamma Pb}(\omega_{\gamma 1}, +y) + N^{0NXN}(\omega_{\gamma 2}, -y)\sigma_{\gamma Pb}(\omega_{\gamma 2}, -y)$$

S. Klein, P. Steinberg,
Annu. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 70(1), 323 (2020)



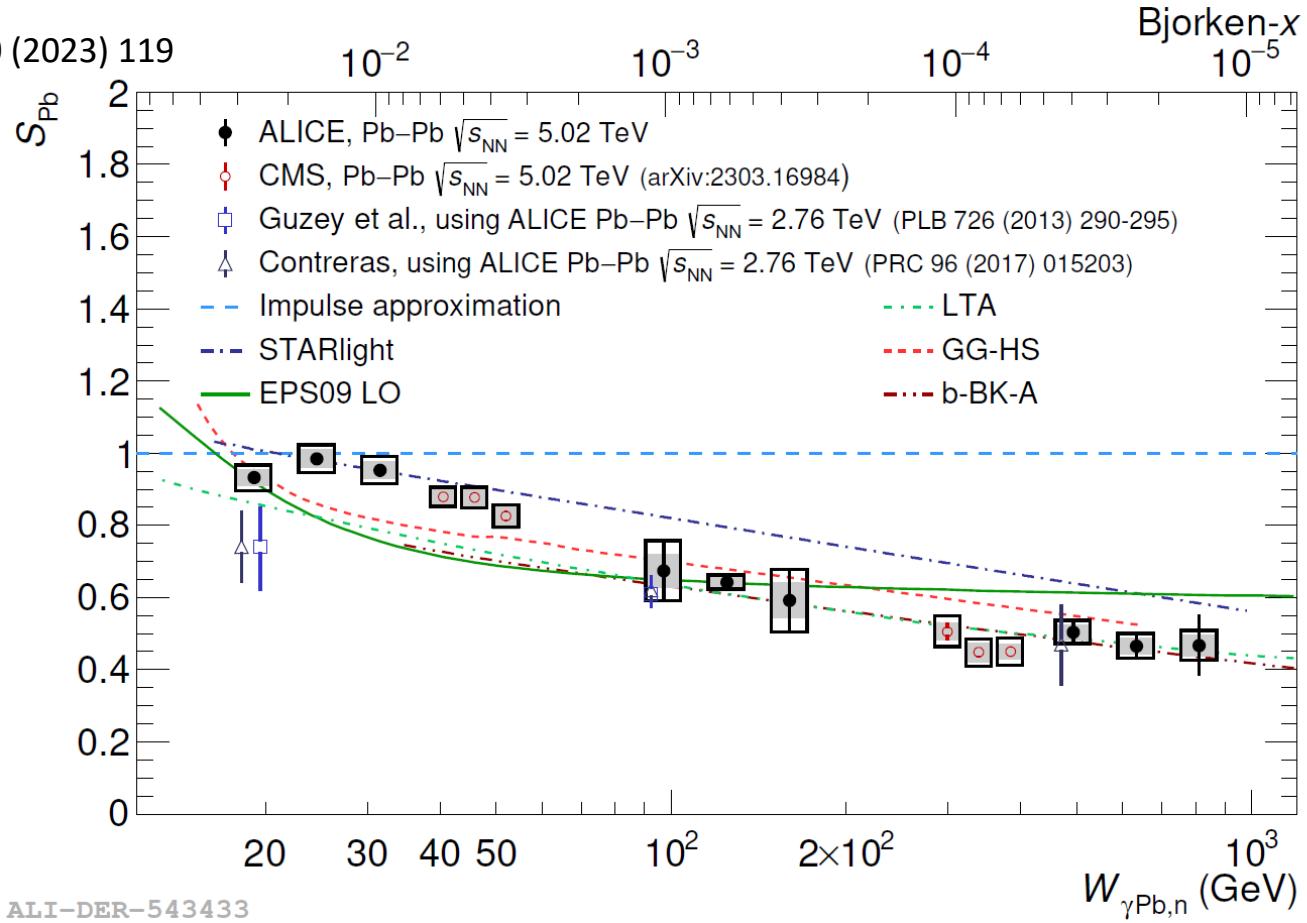
Guzey et al., Eur. Phys. J. C 74 (2014) 7, 2942

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma_{PbPb}^{0N0N}}{dy} &= N^{0N0N}(\omega_{\gamma 1}, +y)\sigma_{\gamma Pb}(\omega_{\gamma 1}, +y) + N^{0N0N}(\omega_{\gamma 2}, -y)\sigma_{\gamma Pb}(\omega_{\gamma 2}, -y) \\ \frac{d\sigma_{PbPb}^{0NXN}}{dy} &= N^{0NXN}(\omega_{\gamma 1}, +y)\sigma_{\gamma Pb}(\omega_{\gamma 1}, +y) + N^{0NXN}(\omega_{\gamma 2}, -y)\sigma_{\gamma Pb}(\omega_{\gamma 2}, -y) \end{aligned}$$

extracted

Nuclear suppression factor of coh. J/ ψ

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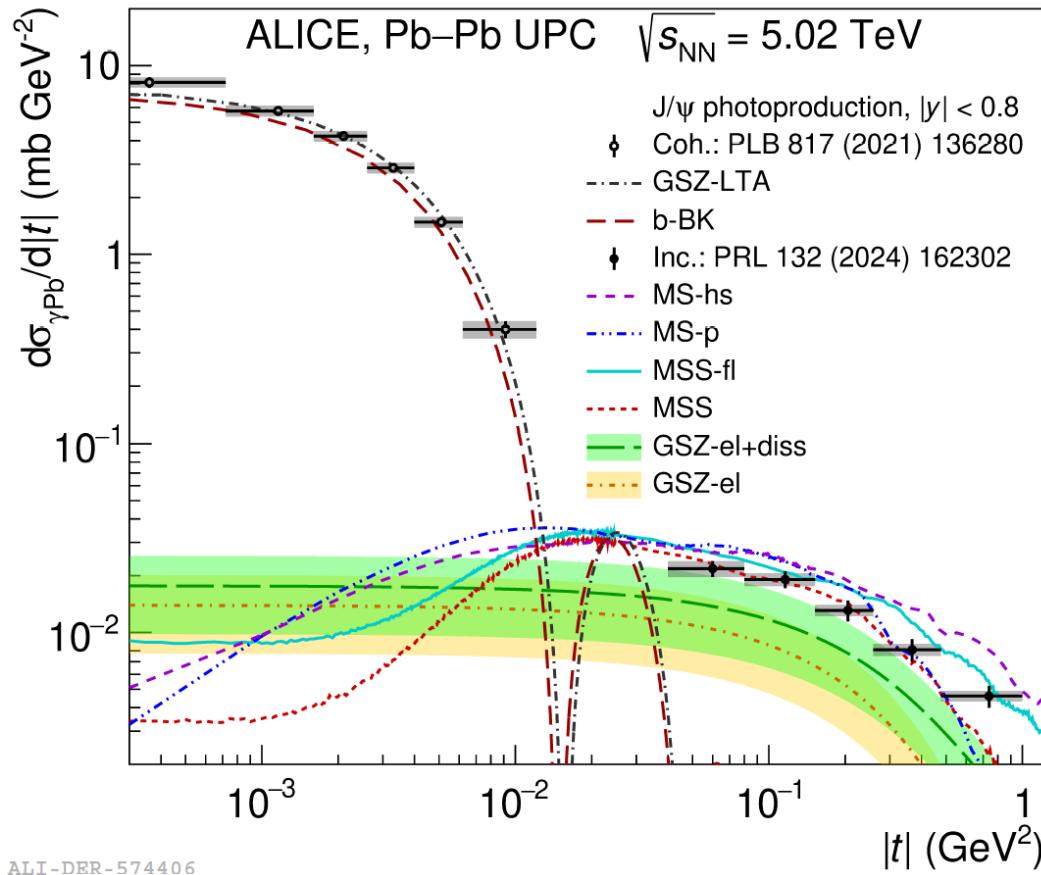


$$S_{\text{Pb}} = R_g^A(x, Q^2) = g_A(x, Q^2)/Ag_p(x, Q^2)$$

- At low- x_B data favours both saturation and shadowing models
- **No model describes the whole energy/Bjorken-x range!**

Coherent and incoherent J/ ψ - |t|

- Gluon density is impact parameter b dependent at given Bjorken-x and Q^2
- b and p_T are Fourier conjugates
- $p_T^2 \approx |t|$ - dependence of cross section constrains transverse gluonic structure at low x_B
- In Good-Walker approach
 - Coherent photoproduction is sensitive to the average spatial gluon distribution
 - Incoherent photoproduction is sensitive to the variance of the spatial gluon distribution (quantum fluctuations)
- Larger |t| range \rightarrow scatter of smaller object

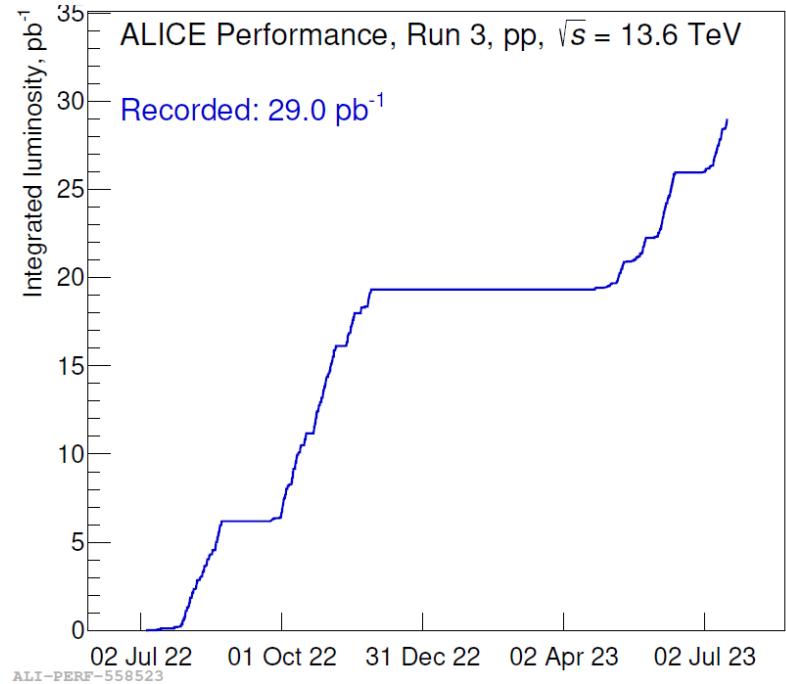
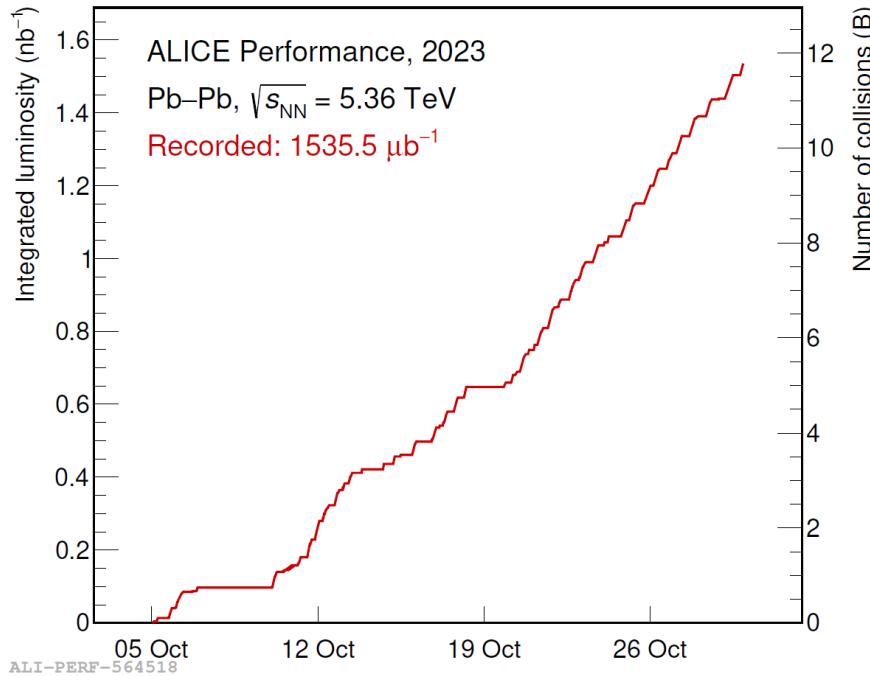


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$$\frac{d\sigma^{inc}}{dt} = \frac{Rg^2}{16\pi} (\langle |A(x, Q^2, \vec{\Delta})|^2 \rangle - |\langle A(x, Q^2, \vec{\Delta}) \rangle|^2)$$

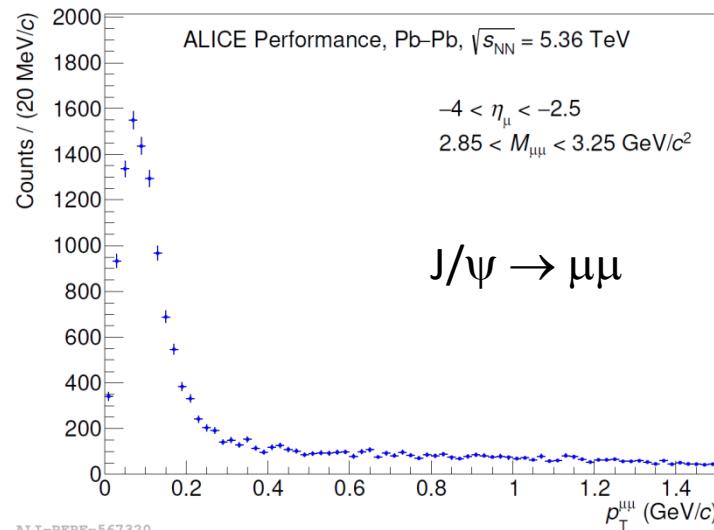
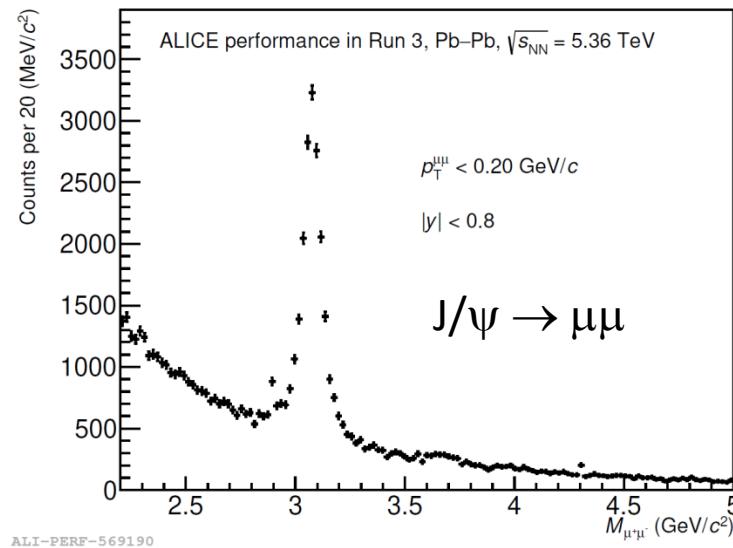
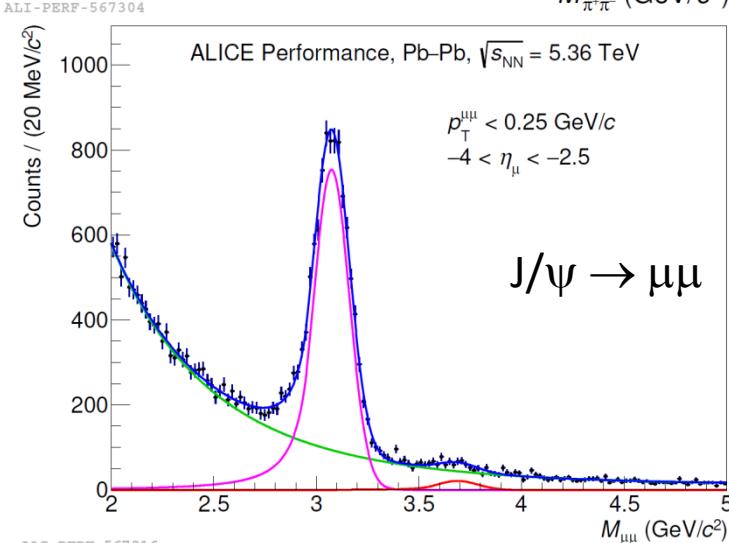
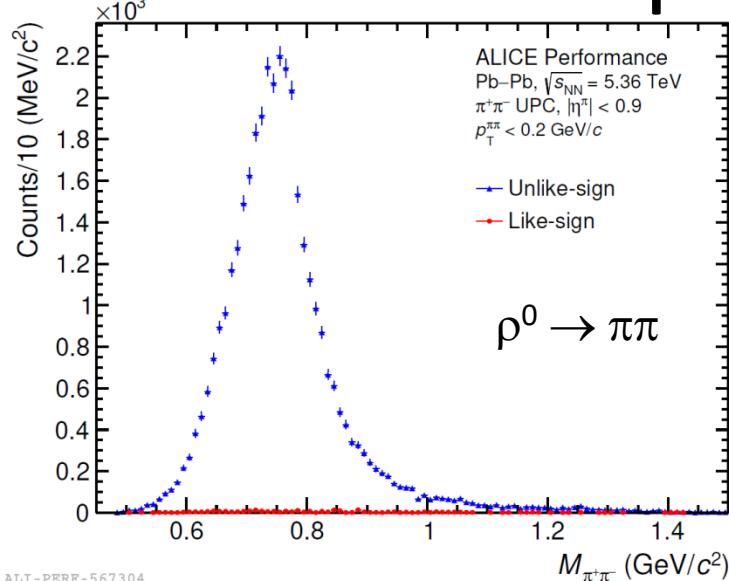
(Slope of) data favor models with gluonic subnucleon fluctuations (hot spots in MS-hs, fluctuations MSS-fl and dissociation in GSZ el+dis)

Run 3 data taking



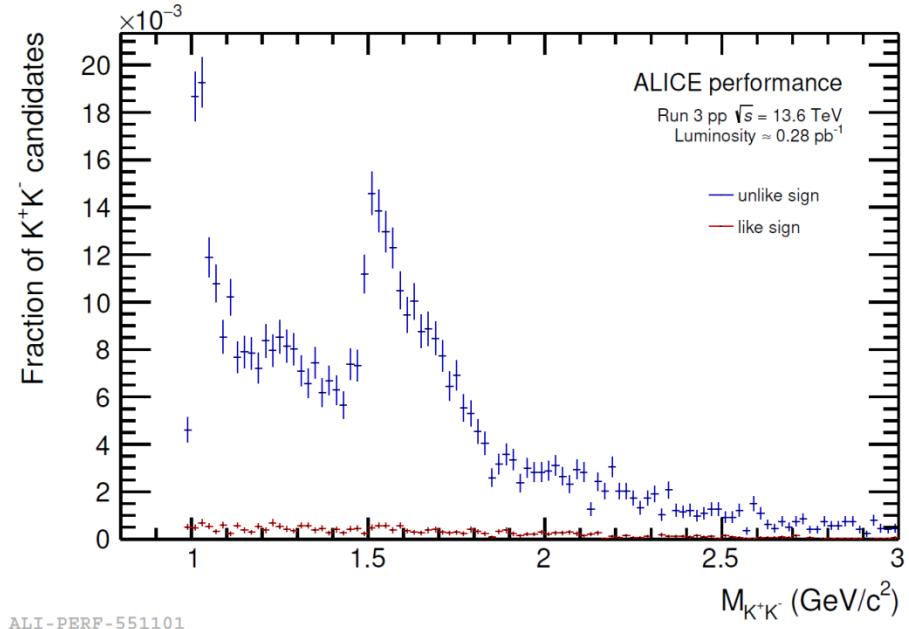
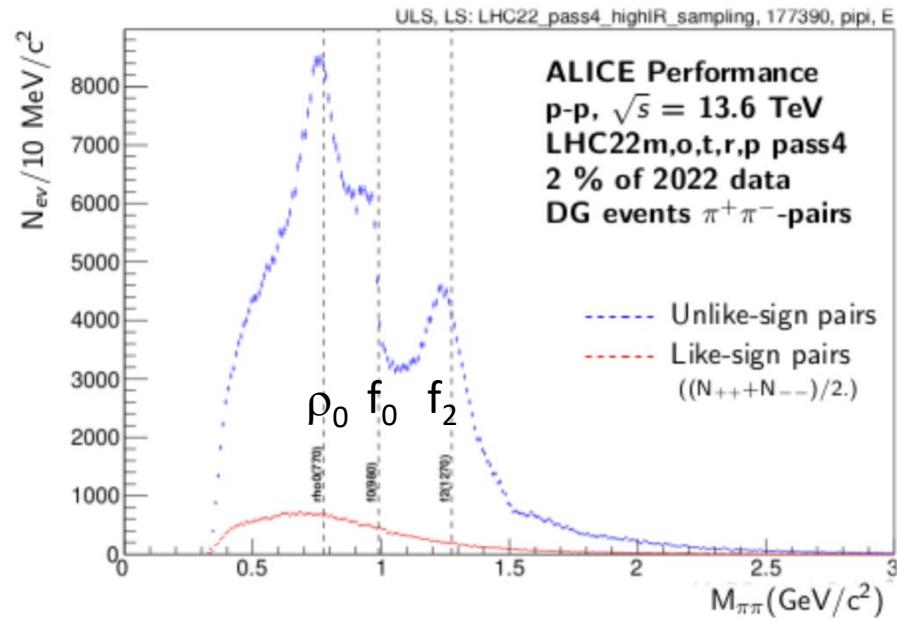
- Successful 2023 heavy-ion campaign
 - Collected luminosity $\sim 1.6 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ of Pb-Pb data
- Successful ALICE operational in pp at high efficiency of 95 %
 - 2022: 19.3 pb^{-1}
 - 2023: 9.7 pb^{-1}
 - 2024: 10.2 pb^{-1}

Run 3 performance (Pb-Pb)



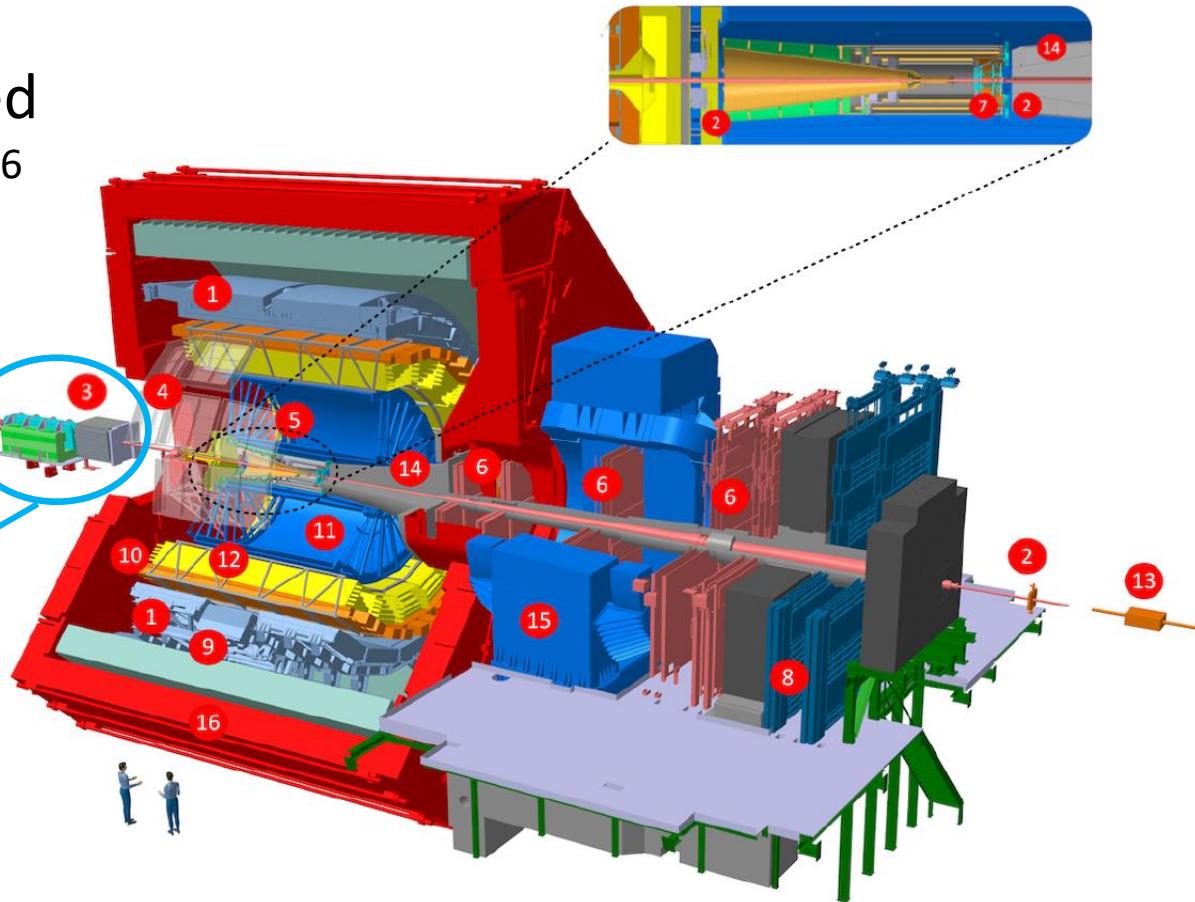
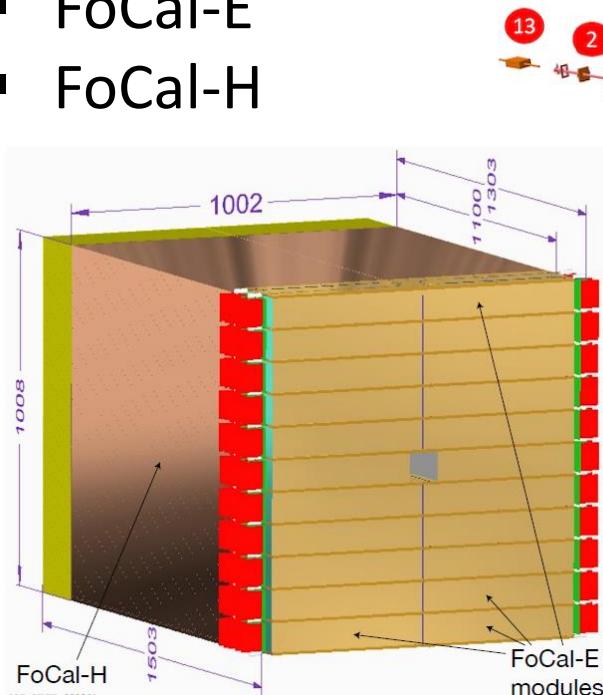
- Larger statistics available than in Run 2
- Lower invariant mass region available, no topology trigger

Run 3 performance (pp)



The ALICE Forward Calorimeter

- Upgrade to ALICE detector
- LOI: CERN-LHCC-2020-009
- During LS3 (2026-2029)
FoCal should be installed
- $3.2 < \eta < 5.8 \rightarrow x_B \sim 10^{-6}$
- 700 cm away from IP
- FoCal-E
- FoCal-H

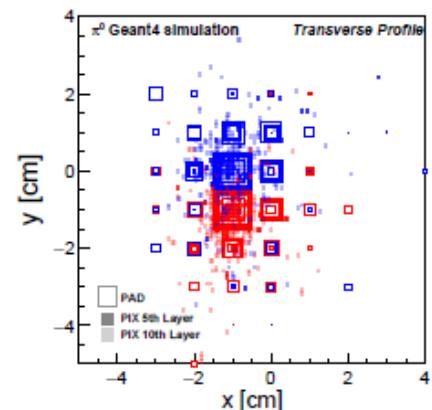
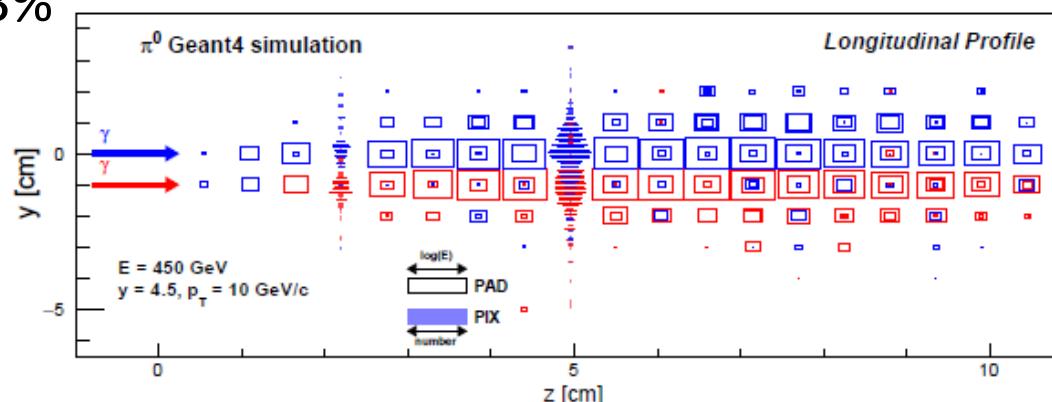
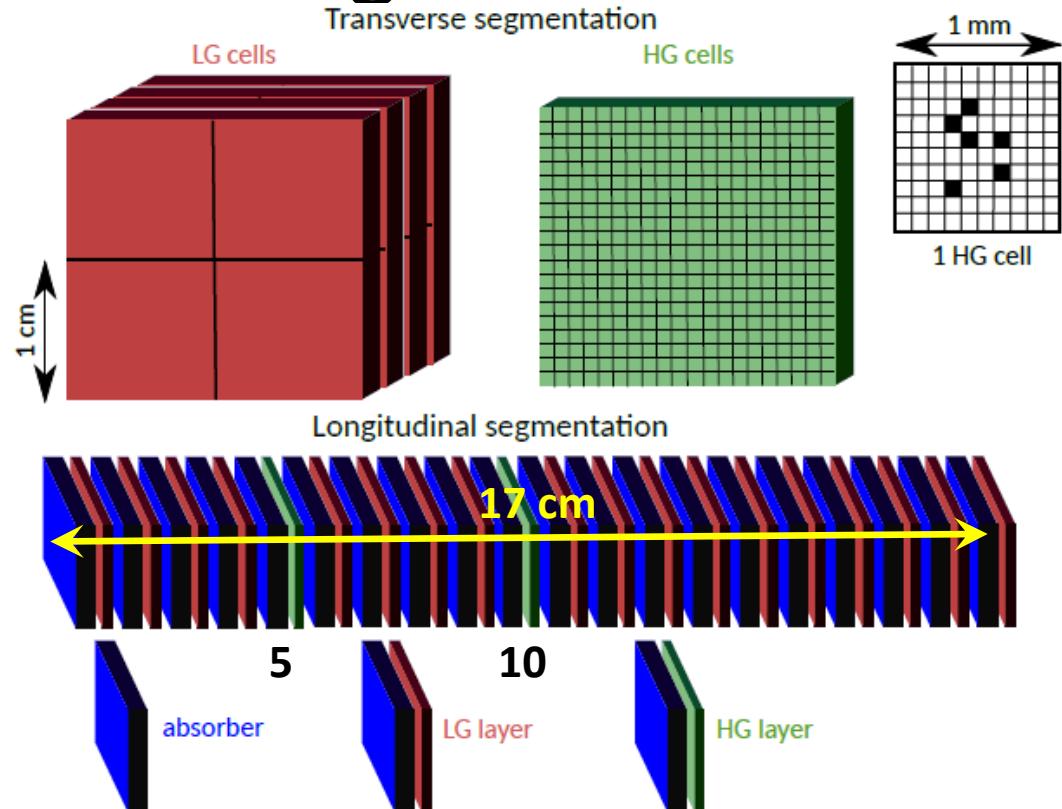


TDR approved by LHCC

FoCal-E design

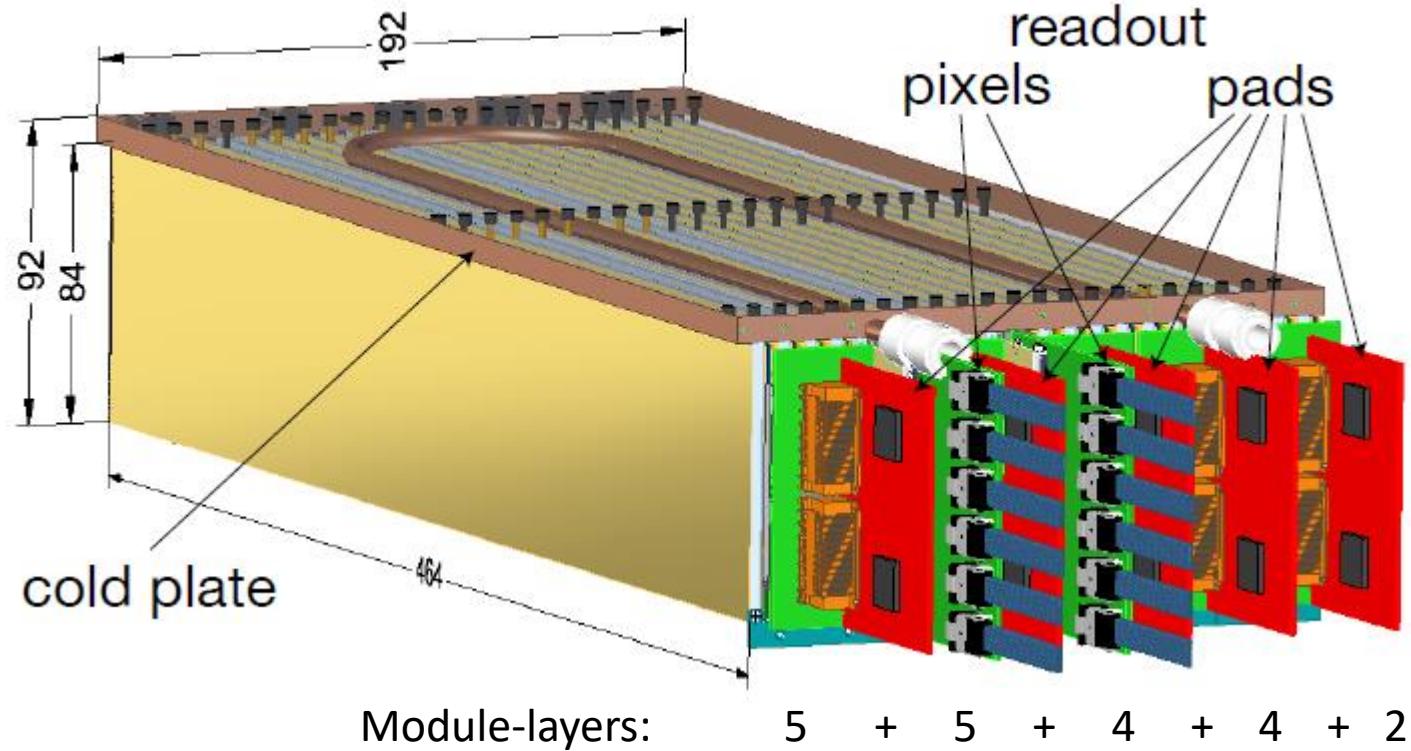
CERN-LHCC-2024-004

- Si + W sampling calorimeter
- Moliere radius $R_M^W = 0.9 \text{ cm}$
- Radiation length $X_0 = 3.5 \text{ mm}$
- Total depth $\sim 20 X_0$
- Two technologies:
 - 18 silicon pad layers of $1 \times 1 \text{ cm}^2$ (LG cells)
 - 2 pixel layers of $30 \times 30 \mu\text{m}^2$ (HG cells)
- Channels in layers individual readout
- Weight 1650 kg
- Resolution 3%



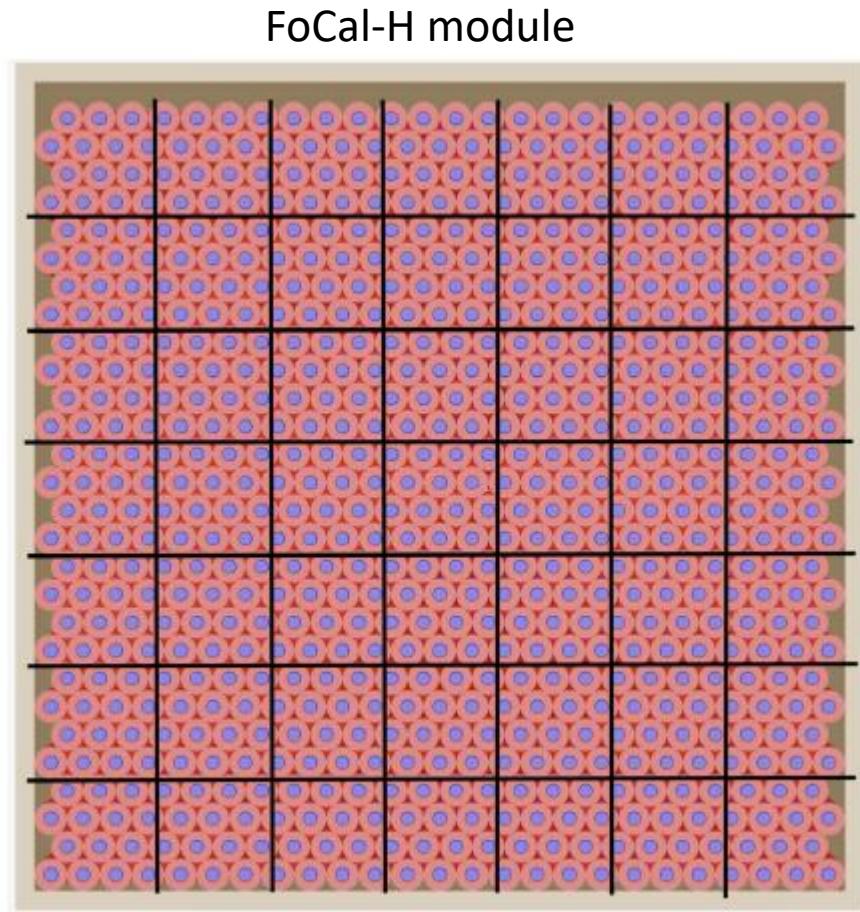
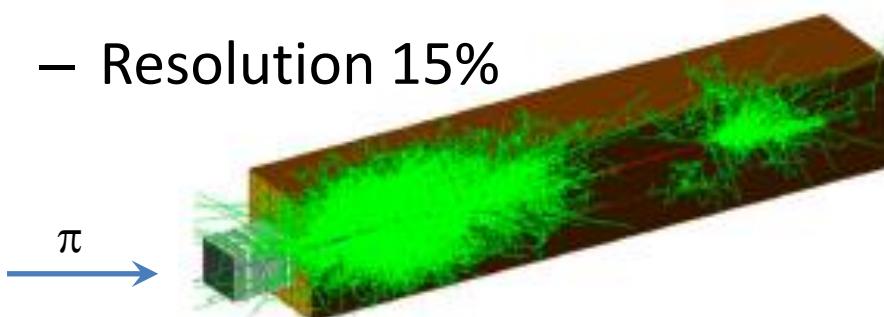
FoCal-E segmentation

- 22 modules (11 each side)
- Each module consists of 5 segments and cold plate on top
- Segment is made of 5 (4 or 2) module-layers
 - 4 pads +1 pixel
 - 4 pads
 - 2 pads



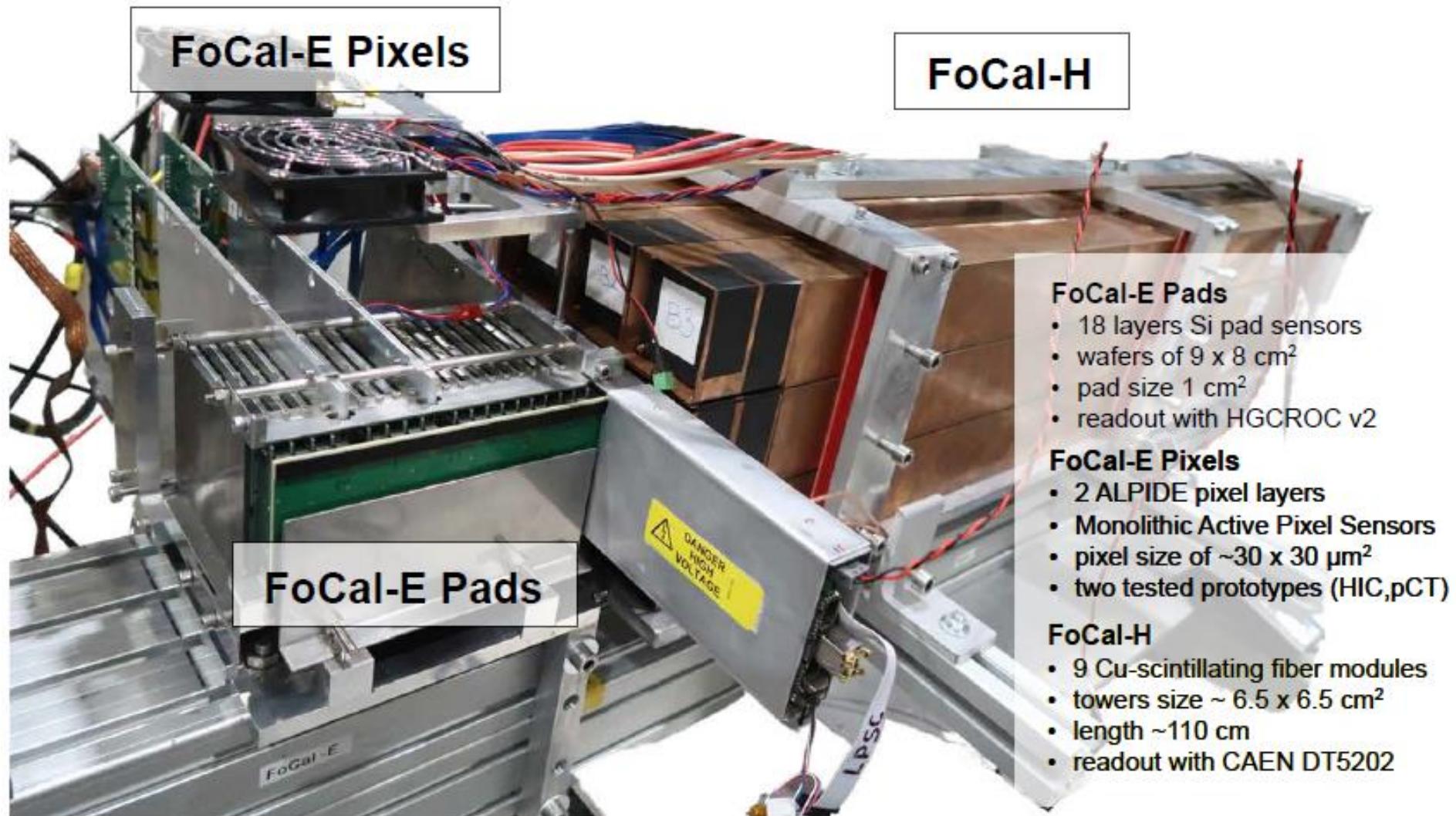
FoCal-H design

- Hadronic scintillating-fibre calorimeter
 - Scintillation fibres embedded in Cu tubes
 - 2.5 mm outer diameter
 - 110 cm length
 - Total weight 7000 kg
 - 224 modules
 - Designed to provide photon isolation and jet measurement
 - Capture full energy of hadronic showers initiated in FoCal-E
 - Resolution 15%



25 (24) tubes in 28 layers

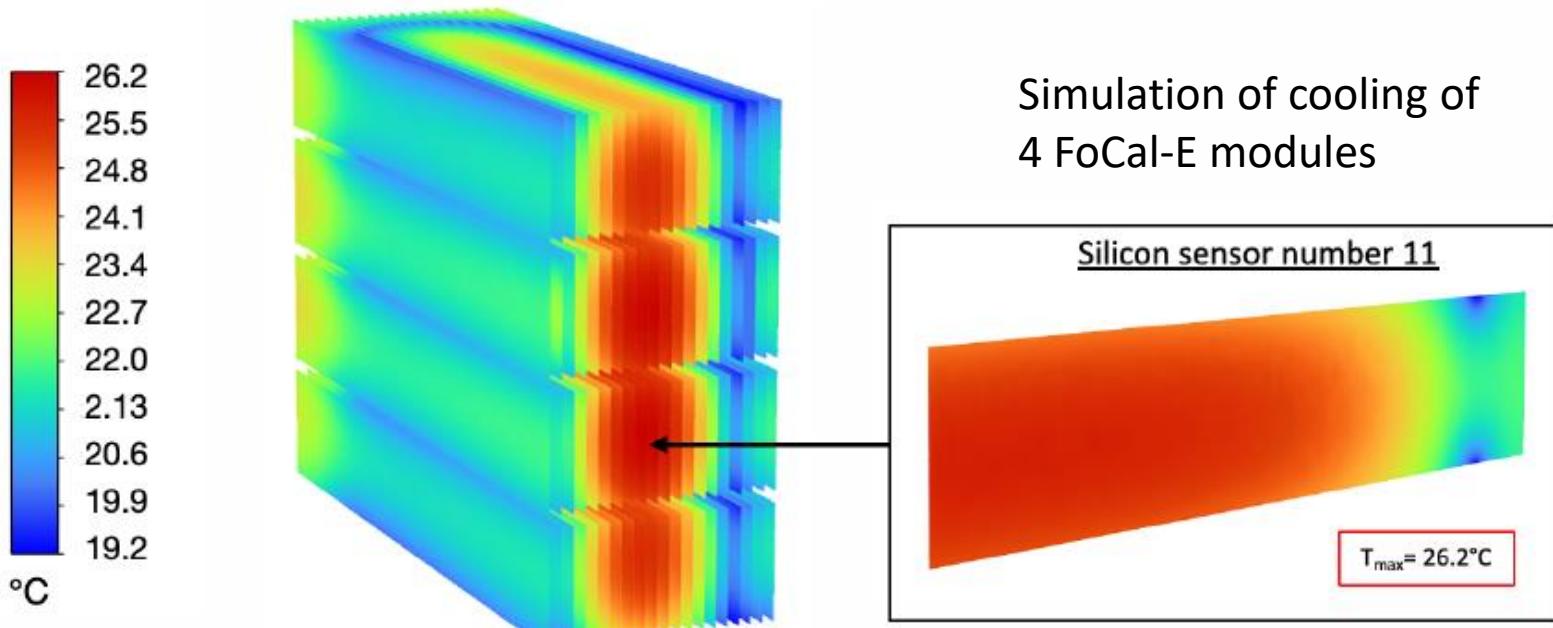
Prototype tests at SPS



Test beam results: JINST_053P_0324

Involvement of IFJ PAN in FoCal

- **IFJ PAN responsibility:** FoCal-E cooling and FoCal assembly
- **Budget:** ~ 6M PLN (Ministerstwo Edukacji i Nauki (MEiN), DIR-WSIB.92.11.2023, 2023-2028)
- **Scientists (3):** Jacek Otwinowski, Adam Matyja, Sandor Lokos
- **Engineers (5):** Jacek Świerblewski, Ewelina Ziółkowska, Wojciech Marek, Tomasz Cieślik, Waldemar Maciocha
- **Technicians (5):** Piotr Putek, Marek Rachwalik, Krzysztof Grzybek, Roman Wiertek, Piotr Topolski

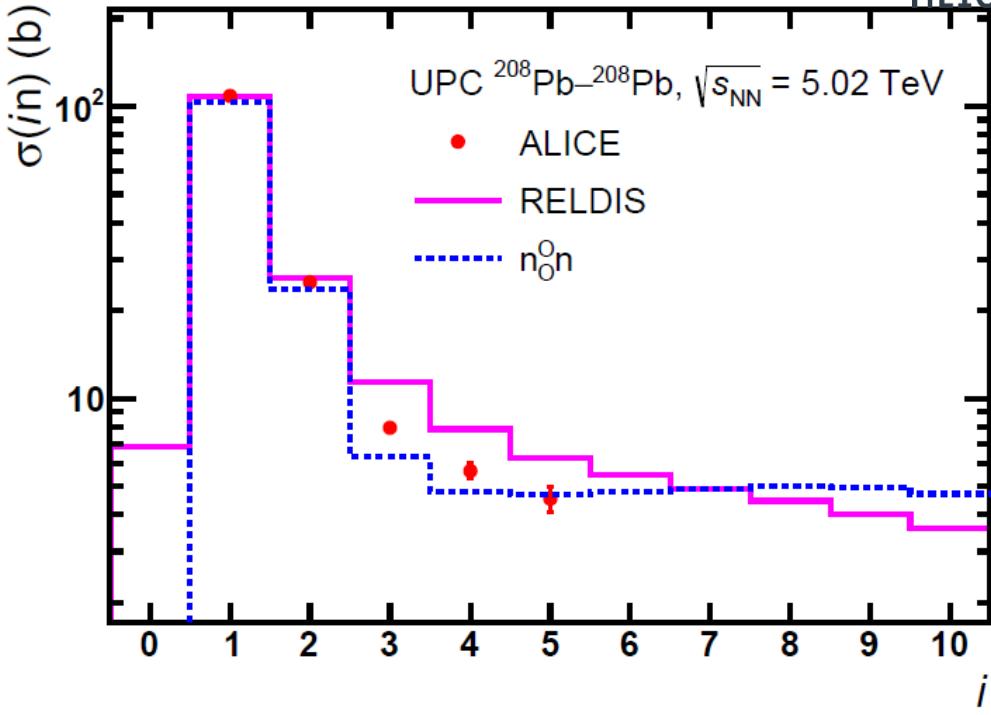
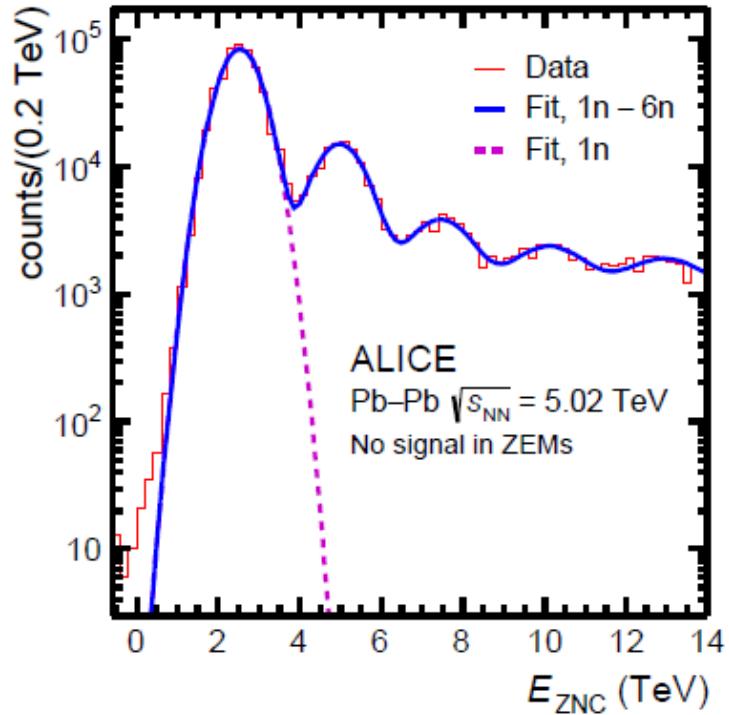


Summary

- First measurement of K^+K^- photoproduction in heavy-ion UPCs
- First measurement of the angular anisotropy in neutron breakup classes
- Measurement of cross section \times branching ratio for excited ρ resonances
- First ρ^0 and J/ψ photoproduced results in UPC from Run 3
- FoCal cooling project is being implemented at IFJ PAN
- Stay tuned for new results from Run 3 and beyond!

Backup

Neutron emission in UPC



ZN	$\sigma(i\eta)$ (b)	$\sigma^{\text{RELDIS}}(i\eta)$ (b)	$\sigma^{n_0^n}(i\eta)$ (b)
1n	$108.4 \pm 0.1 \pm 3.7$	108.0 ± 5.4	103.7 ± 2.1
2n	$25.0 \pm 0.1 \pm 1.3$	25.9 ± 1.3	23.6 ± 0.5
3n	$7.95 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.23$	11.4 ± 0.6	6.3 ± 0.1
4n	$5.65 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.33$	7.8 ± 0.4	4.8 ± 0.1
5n	$4.54 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.44$	6.3 ± 0.3	4.7 ± 0.1
1n-5n	$151.5 \pm 0.2 \pm 4.6$	159.8 ± 5.6	143.1 ± 2.2

- It is huge!
- Up to 5 neutrons
- Hadronic cross section $\sigma_{\text{had}} = 7.67 \pm 0.24$ b
- Good description of 1n and 2n emission , but other classes are not so well described

RELDIS: Phys. Part. Nucl. 42 (2011) 215.

N00N: Comput. Phys. Commun. 253 (2020) 107181.

ρ^0 parameterization

- Söding

$$P(m_{\pi\pi}) = |A \cdot BW_\rho + B|^2$$

- Ross-Stodolsky

$$P(m_{\pi\pi}) = f |BW_\rho|^2 \left(\frac{m_\rho}{m_{\pi\pi}}\right)^k$$

$$BW_\rho = \frac{\sqrt{m_{\pi\pi} m_\rho \Gamma_\rho(m_{\pi\pi})}}{m_{\pi\pi}^2 - m_\rho^2 + i m_\rho \Gamma_\rho(m_{\pi\pi})}$$

$$\Gamma_\rho(m_{\pi\pi}) = \Gamma(m_\rho) \frac{m_\rho}{m_{\pi\pi}} \left(\frac{m_{\pi\pi}^2 - 4m_\pi^2}{m_\rho^2 - 4m_\pi^2} \right)^{3/2}$$

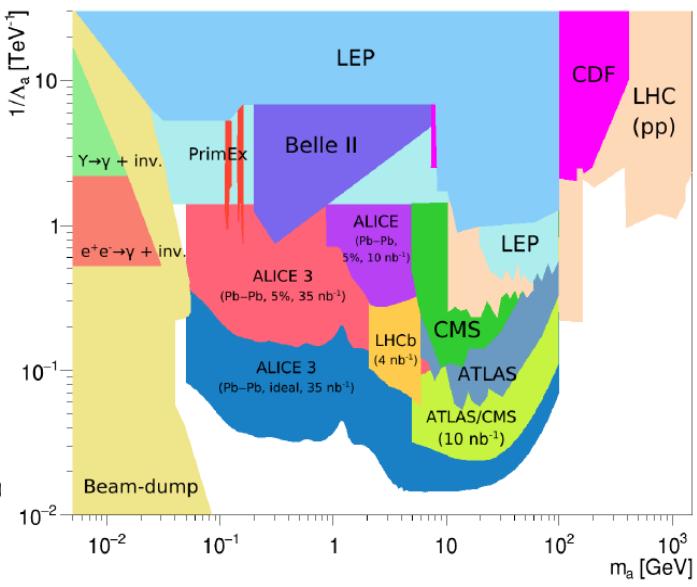
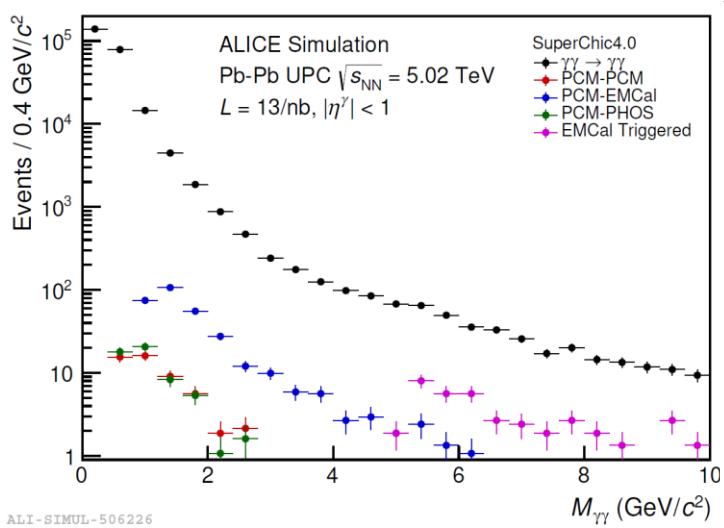
Systematic uncertainty - anisotropy

Source	Uncertainty (%)		
	0n0n	Xn0n + 0nXn	XnXn
Signal extraction	12	9.1	13
ϕ definition	3.6	5.7	3.3
Acc \times ϵ	2.9	0.8	0.9
ZN pile-up	0.1	2.3	0.9
ZN efficiency	0.7	0.1	0.1
Total	12.6	11.0	13.3

ALICE in future runs (3, 4 and beyond)



- Precise and new vector meson photoproduction
- Light-by-light scattering
- $(g-2)_\tau$



ALICE3 LOI: CERN-LHCC-2022-009
/ LHCC-I-038

CERN Yellow Rep. Monogr. 7 (2019) 1159

Meson, channel	$\sigma^{\text{Pb-Pb}}$	N^{Tot}	$N^{ \eta < 0.9}$	$N^{-4 < \eta < -2.5}$
$\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$	5.2 b	68×10^9	5.5×10^9	-
$\rho' \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$	730 mb	9.5×10^9	210×10^6	-
$\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$	0.22 b	2.9×10^9	82×10^6	-
$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	1.0 mb	14×10^6	1.1×10^6	600×10^3
$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	30 μb	400×10^3	35×10^3	19×10^3
$\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	2.0 μb	26×10^3	2.8×10^3	880

