

# Heavy flavour hadronization

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# Outline

**Basic concepts, motivation and model setting**

**Heavy hadrons in AA collisions:**

- $\Lambda_c$ , D spectra and ratio: RHIC and LHC

**Heavy hadrons in small systems (pp @ 5.02 TeV):**

- $\Lambda_c/D^0$
- $\Xi_c/D^0$ ,  $\Omega_c/D^0$

**Multi-charm production PbPb vs KrKr vs ArAr vs OO:**

- comparing evolution with A-A to SHM
- looking at  $\langle r \rangle$  dependence of  $\Omega_{ccc}$  production

# Heavy quarks in uRHIC

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$\tau$  [fm/c]

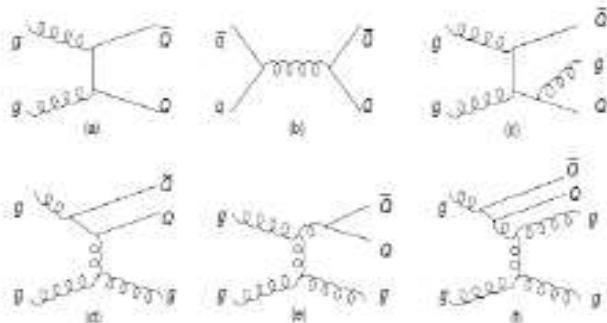
- strong vorticity
- strong e.m. field
- plasma phase



## Initial production

- pQCD-NLO
- MC-NLO, POHWEG
- CNM effect[pp,pA exp.]

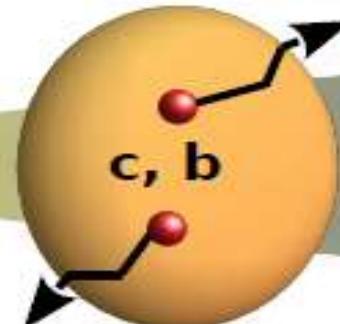
$$\sigma_{pp \rightarrow cc} = \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 \sum_{i,j} f_i(x_1, Q^2) f_j(x_2, Q^2) \sigma_{ij \rightarrow cc}(x_1, x_2, Q^2),$$



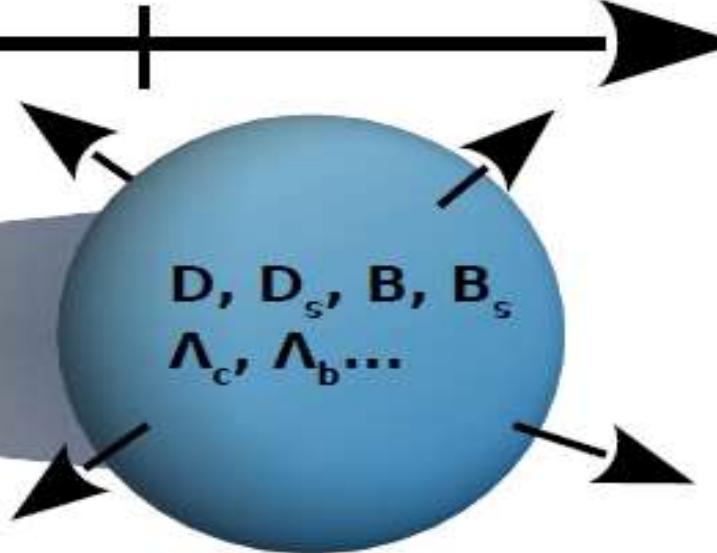
## Dynamics in QGP

- Transport approaches:  
Boltzmann/Fokker-Planck
- Thermalization
- Transp. Coeff. of QCD matter  $D_s(T)$
- Jet Quenching

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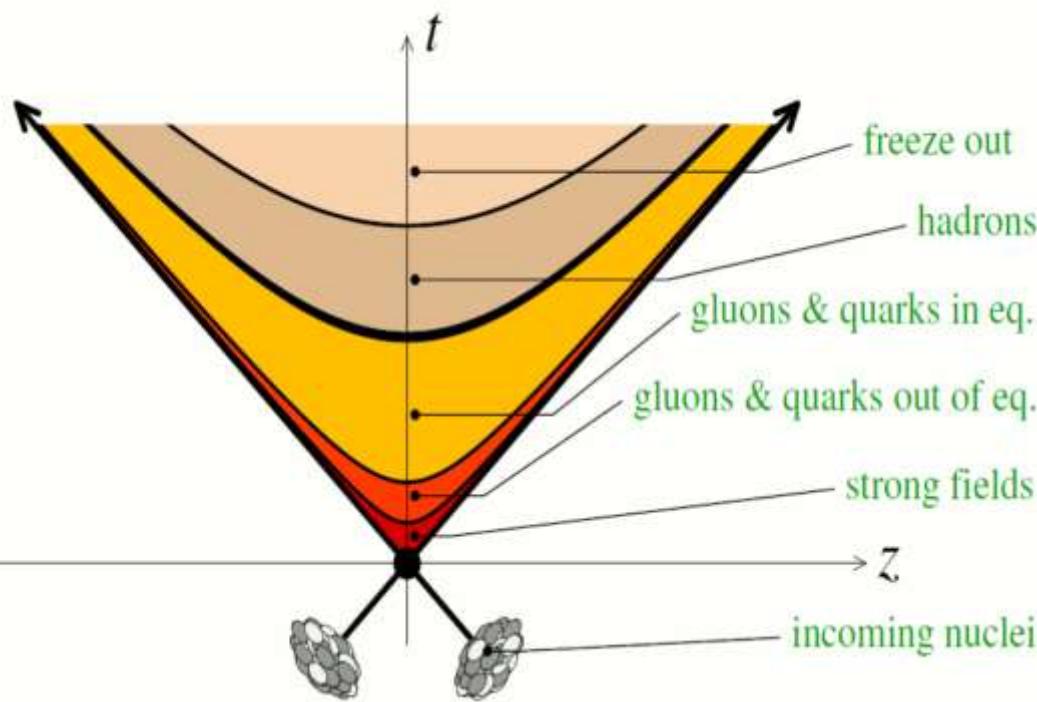
$D, D_s, B, B_s$   
 $\Lambda_c, \Lambda_b \dots$



## Hadronization

- SHM/coalescence and/or fragm.  
 $D, D_s, B, B_s, \Lambda_c, \Lambda_b, \Xi_c, \Omega_c \dots$
- $\Lambda_c/D$  in pp,pA,AA
- $R_{AA}$ , collective flow harmonics

# Hadronisazion in heavy ion collisions



## Hadronization (impossible to neglect)

- source of systematic uncertainty in final observable  $R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$   
→ systematic uncertainty in extracting transport coefficients
- how HF hadronization changes in the presence of a medium

### □ Hadronisation:

the mechanism by which quarks and gluons produced in hard partonic scattering processes form the hadrons

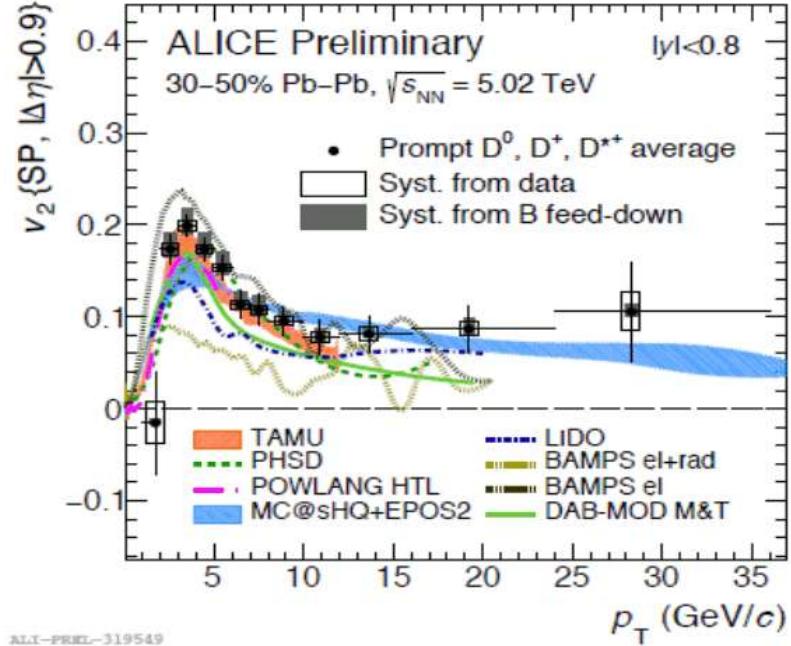
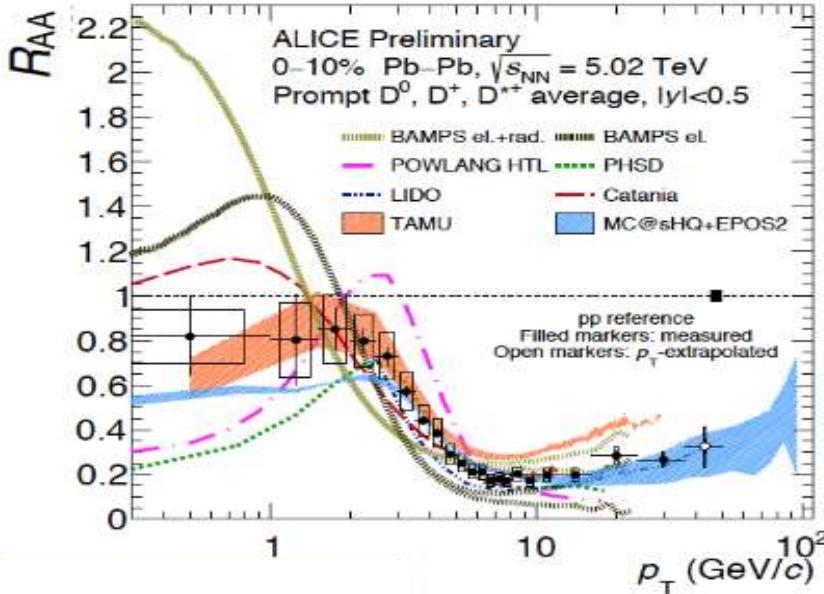
### □ No first-principle description of hadron formation

- Non-perturbative problem
- Necessary to resort to models

### □ Hadronisation of the QGP medium at the pseudo-critical temperature

Transition from a deconfined medium composed of quarks, antiquarks and gluons to color-neutral hadronic matter

# Transport coefficient



Models not really tested at  $p \rightarrow 0$

The new data  $\rightarrow$  determine  $D_s(T)$  more properly,  
i.e.  $p \rightarrow 0$  where it is defined and computed in IQCD

	Catania	Duke	Frankfurt(PHSD)	LBL	Nantes	TAMU
Initial HQ (p)	FONLL	FONLL	pQCD	pQCD	FONLL	
Initial HQ (x)	binary coll.	binary coll.	binary coll.	binary coll.		binary coll.
Initial QGP	Glauber	Trento	Lund		EPOS	
QGP	Boltzm.	Vishnu	Boltzm.	Vishnu	EPOS	2d ideal hydro
partons	mass	m=0	m(T)	m=0	m=0	m=0
formation time QGP	0.3 fm/c	0.6 fm/c	0.6 fm/c (early coll.)	0.6 fm/c	0.3 fm/c	0.4 fm/c
interactions in between	HQ-glasma	no	HQ-preformed plasma	no		no

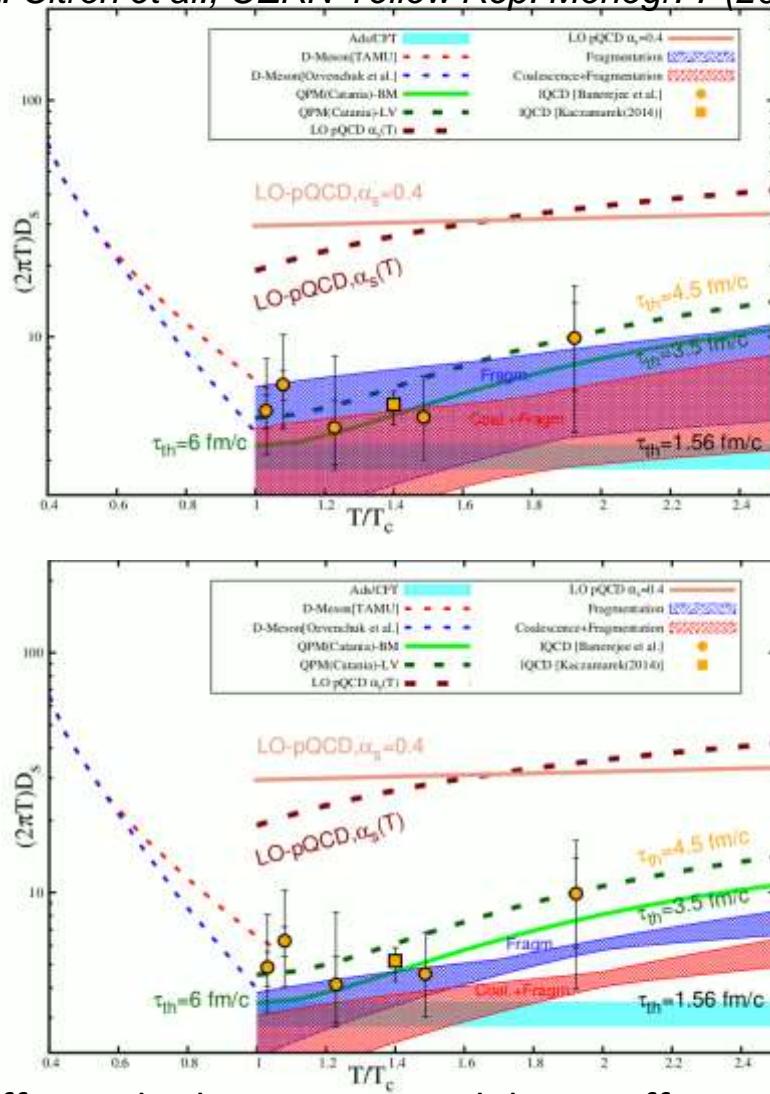
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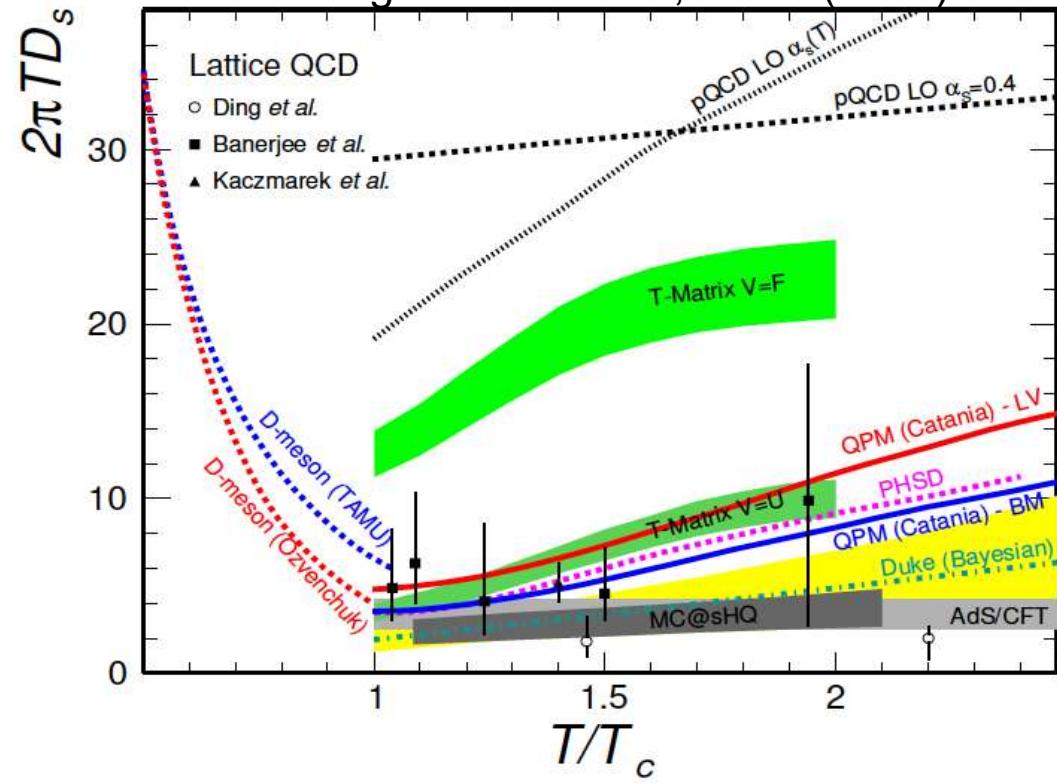
# Transport coefficient

Z. Citron et al., CERN Yellow Rep. Monogr. 7 (2019) 1159



Different hadronization models can affect  
the extraction of the charm quark diffusion coefficient  
**New joint activity needed**

X. Dong and V. Greco, PPNP(2019)



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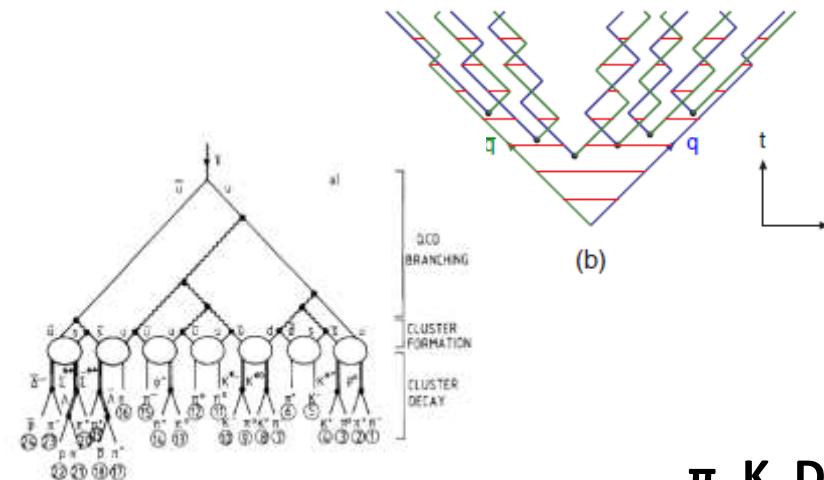
# HF Hadronization schemes

- Independent fragmentation

$$q \rightarrow \pi, K, p, \Lambda \dots$$

$$c \rightarrow D, D_s, \Lambda_c, \dots$$

- String fragmentation (PYTHIA)



- In medium hadronization with Cluster decay

A. Beraudo et al., arXiv:2202.08732v1 [hep-ph]

- Coalescence/recombination

S. Plumari, V. Minissale et al, Eur. Phys. J. **C78** no. 4, (2018) 348

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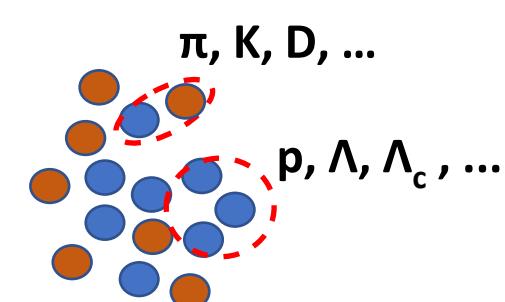
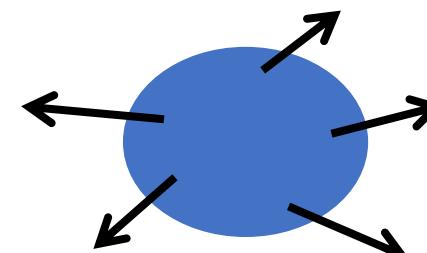
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- Statistical hadronization model (SHM)

A. Andronic et al, JHEP 07 (2021) 035



# Relativistic Boltzmann eq. at finite $\eta/s$

## Bulk evolution

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f_q(x, p) + m(x) \partial_\mu^x m(x) \partial_p^\mu f_q(x, p) = C[f_q, f_g]$$

Equivalent to viscous hydro  $\eta/s \approx 0.1$

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f_g(x, p) + m(x) \partial_\mu^x m(x) \partial_p^\mu f_g(x, p) = C[f_q, f_g]$$

free-streaming

field interaction

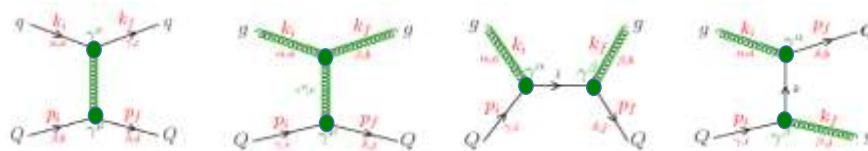
$\epsilon - 3p \neq 0$

collision term

gauged to some  $\eta/s \neq 0$

## HQ evolution

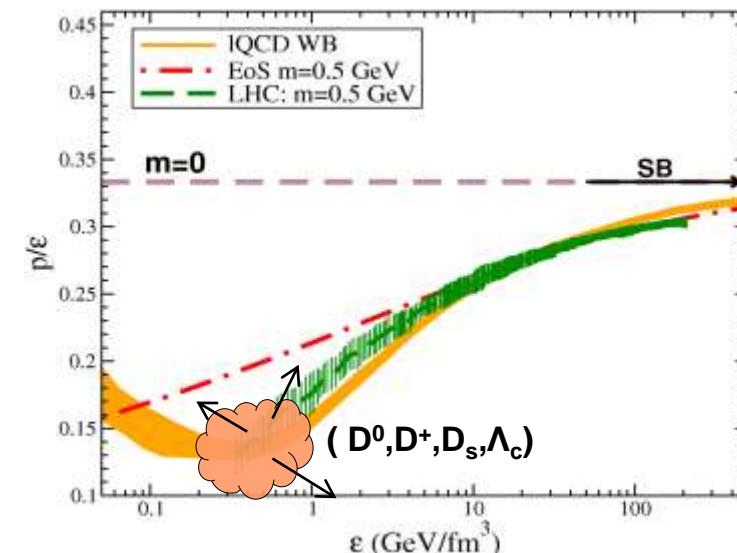
$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f_Q(x, p) = \mathcal{C}[f_q, f_g, f_Q](x, p)$$



$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}[f_Q] &= \frac{1}{2E_1} \int \frac{d^3 p_2}{2E_2 (2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3 p'_1}{2E_1' (2\pi)^3} \\ &\times [f_Q(p'_1) f_{q,g}(p'_2) - f_Q(p_1) f_{q,g}(p_2)] \\ &\times |\mathcal{M}_{(q,g)+Q}(p_1 p_2 \rightarrow p'_1 p'_2)|^2 \\ &\times (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1 + p_2 - p'_1 - p'_2), \end{aligned}$$

M scattering matrix by QPM model fit to IQCD EoS

S. Plumari et al., J.Phys.Conf.Ser. 981 012017 (2018).



# Indipendent fragmentation

Spectrum of heavy quarks produced in pp-collisions can be computed up to NLO in  $s$  with available tools  
Transition from quark momentum spectrum to hadron momentum, using fragmentation model:

$$\frac{dN_h}{d^2p_h} = \sum_f \int dz \frac{dN_f}{d^2p_f} D_{f \rightarrow h}(z) \quad \begin{aligned} q &\rightarrow \pi, K, p, \Lambda \dots \\ c &\rightarrow D, D_s, \Lambda_c, \dots \end{aligned}$$

*Fragmentation function*

- **Fragmentation functions**  $D_{f \rightarrow h}$  are phenomenological functions to parameterize the *non-perturbative parton-to-hadron transition* ( $z$  = fraction of the parton momentum taken by the hadron  $h$ )
- **Fragmentation functions** assumed **universal** among energy and collision systems and constrained from  $e^+e^-$  and  $e\mu$
- Different models for FFs are currently in use in literature:

- Peterson et al.,  $D(z) = \frac{C}{z \left(1 - \frac{1}{z} - \frac{\epsilon}{1-z}\right)^2}$

- Kartvelishvili et al.,  $D(z) = C z^\alpha (1-z)$

# Hadronization: fragmentation and coalescence

## Proton to pion ratio Enhancement:

In vacuum from fragmentation functions  
the ratio is small

$$\frac{D_{q \rightarrow p}(z)}{D_{q \rightarrow \pi}(z)} < 0.25$$

## Elliptic flow splitting:

For  $p_T > 2$  GeV Both hydro and fragmentation predicts similar  $v_2$  for pions and protons

## Another hadronization mechanism is by coalescence:

Formalism originally developed for light-nuclei production from coalescence of nucleons on a freeze-out hypersurface.

Extended to describe meson and baryon formation in AA collisions from the quarks of QGP through  $2 \rightarrow 1$  and  $3 \rightarrow 1$  processes

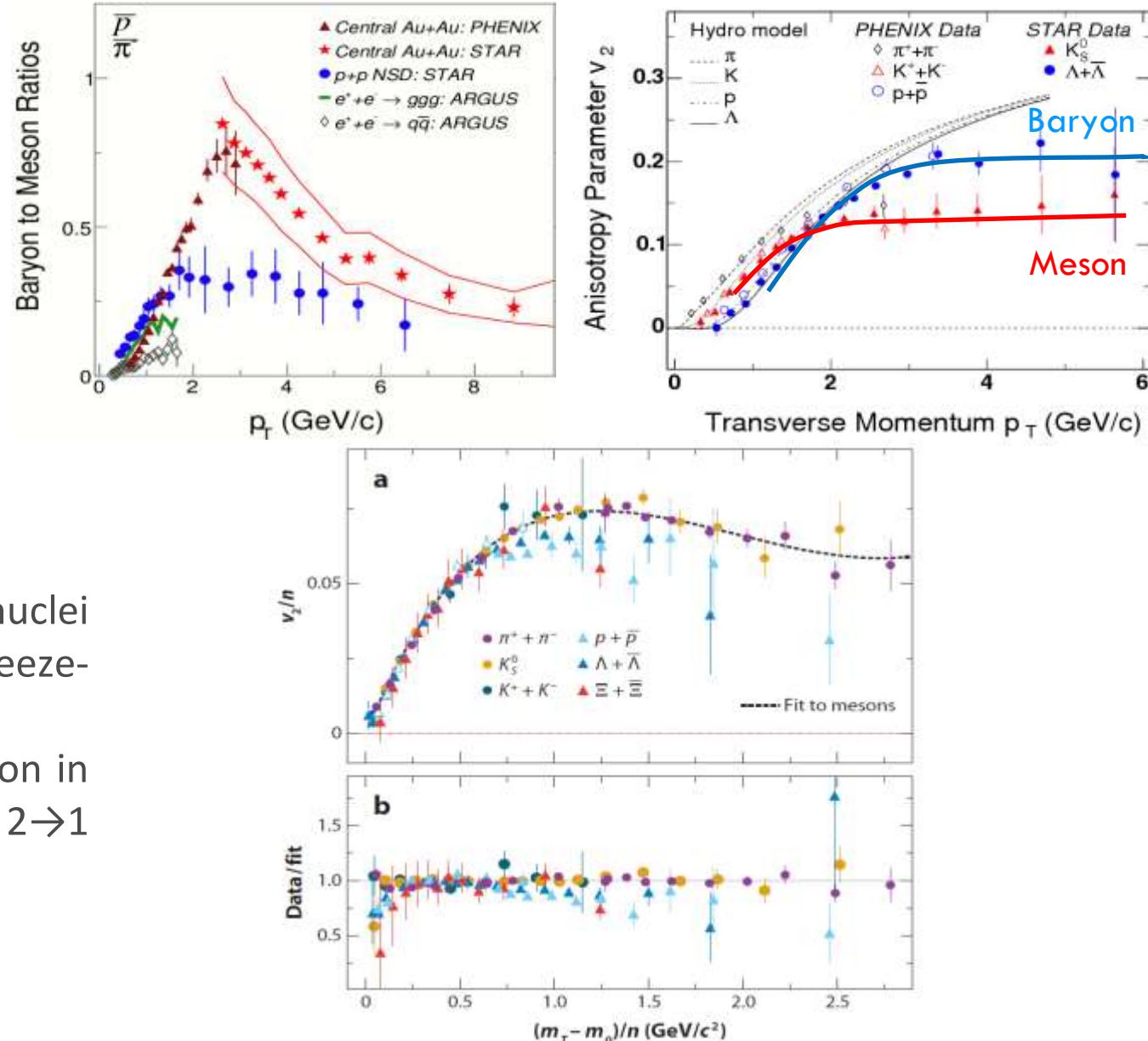
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# Coalescence approach in phase space for HQ

Statistical factor colour-spin-isospin

$$\frac{dN_{Hadron}}{d^2 p_T} = g_H \int \prod_{i=1}^n p_i \cdot d\sigma_i \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^3} f_q(x_i, p_i) f_W(x_1, \dots, x_n; p_1, \dots, p_n) \delta(p_T - \sum_i p_{iT})$$

Wigner function <-> Wave function

$$\Phi_M^W(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{q}) = \int d^3 r' e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}'} \varphi_M\left(\mathbf{r} + \frac{\mathbf{r}'}{2}\right) \varphi_M^*\left(\mathbf{r} - \frac{\mathbf{r}'}{2}\right)$$

$\varphi_M(\mathbf{r})$  meson wave function

Assuming gaussian wave function

$$f_M(x_1, x_2; p_1, p_2) = A_W \exp\left(-\frac{x_{r1}^2}{\sigma_r^2} - p_{r1}^2 \sigma_r^2\right)$$

For baryon  $N_q=3$

$$f_H(\dots) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_q-1} A_W \exp\left(-\frac{x_{ri}^2}{\sigma_{ri}^2} - p_{ri}^2 \sigma_{ri}^2\right)$$

Note: only  $\sigma_r$  coming from  $\varphi_M(\mathbf{r})$  or  $\sigma_r^* \sigma_p = 1$   
valid for harmonic oscillator with  $V(r) \propto r^2$   $\sigma_r^* \sigma_p > 1$

Parton  
Distribution  
function

Hadron Wigner function

Wigner function width fixed by root-mean-square charge radius from quark model

Meson	$\langle r^2 \rangle_{ch}$	$\sigma_{p1}$	$\sigma_{p2}$
$D^+ = [c\bar{d}]$	0.184	0.282	—
$D_s^+ = [s\bar{c}]$	0.083	0.404	—
Baryon	$\langle r^2 \rangle_{ch}$	$\sigma_{p1}$	$\sigma_{p2}$
$\Lambda_c^+ = [ud\bar{c}]$	0.15	0.251	0.424
$\Xi_c^+ = [us\bar{c}]$	0.2	0.242	0.406
$\Omega_c^0 = [ss\bar{c}]$	-0.12	0.337	0.53

C.-W. Hwang, EPJ C23, 585 (2002);  
C. Albertus et al., NPA 740, 333 (2004)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle r^2 \rangle_{ch} = & \frac{3}{2} \frac{m_2^2 Q_1 + m_1^2 Q_2}{(m_1 + m_2)^2} \sigma_{r1}^2 \\ & + \frac{3}{2} \frac{m_3^2 (Q_1 + Q_2) + (m_1 + m_2)^2 Q_3}{(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)^2} \sigma_{r2}^2 \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$\sigma_{ri} = 1/\sqrt{\mu_i \omega}$  Harmonic oscillator relation

$$\mu_1 = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}, \quad \mu_2 = \frac{(m_1 + m_2) m_3}{m_1 + m_2 + m_3}.$$

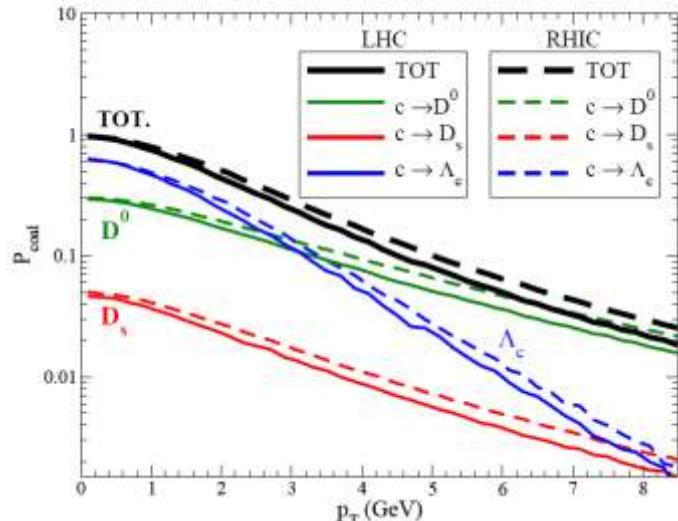
Normalization  $f_H(\dots)$  fixed by requiring  $P_{coal}(p>0)=1$   
which fixes  $A_w$ , additional assumption wrt standard coalescence which does not have confinement

# Coalescence approach in phase space for HQ

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$$f_H(\dots) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_q-1} A_W \exp \left( -\frac{x_{ri}^2}{\sigma_{ri}^2} - p_{ri}^2 \sigma_{ri}^2 \right)$$



Parton Distribution function Hadron Wigner function

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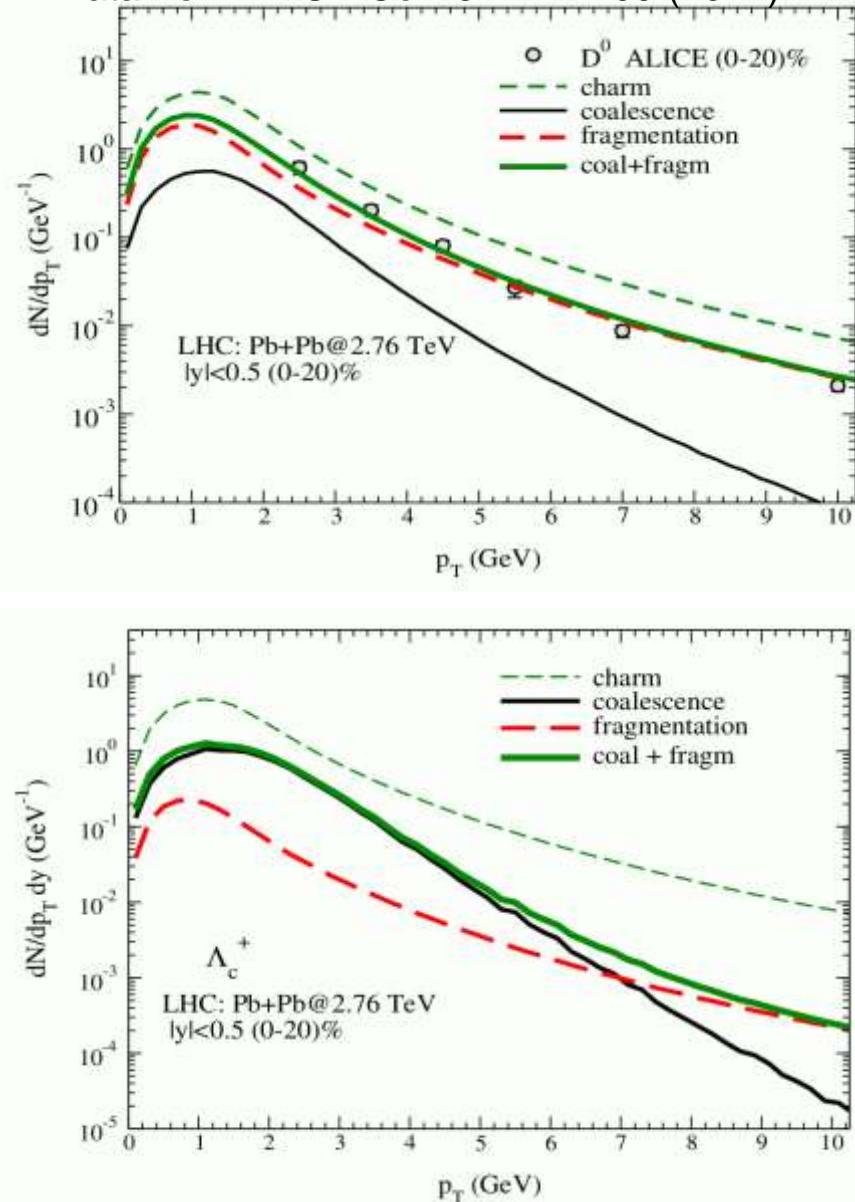
- ❖ Normalization in  $f_W(\dots)$  fixed by requiring  $P_{coal}(p>0)=1$  : ....others modify by hand  $\sigma_r$  to enforce confinement for a charm at rest in the medium
- ❖ The charm not “coalescing” undergo fragmentation:

$$\frac{dN_{had}}{d^2 p_T dy} = \sum \int dz \frac{dN_{fragm}}{d^2 p_T dy} \frac{D_{had/c}(z, Q^2)}{z^2}$$

charm number conserved at each  $p_T$ , we have employed  $e^+e^-$  FF now PYTHIA

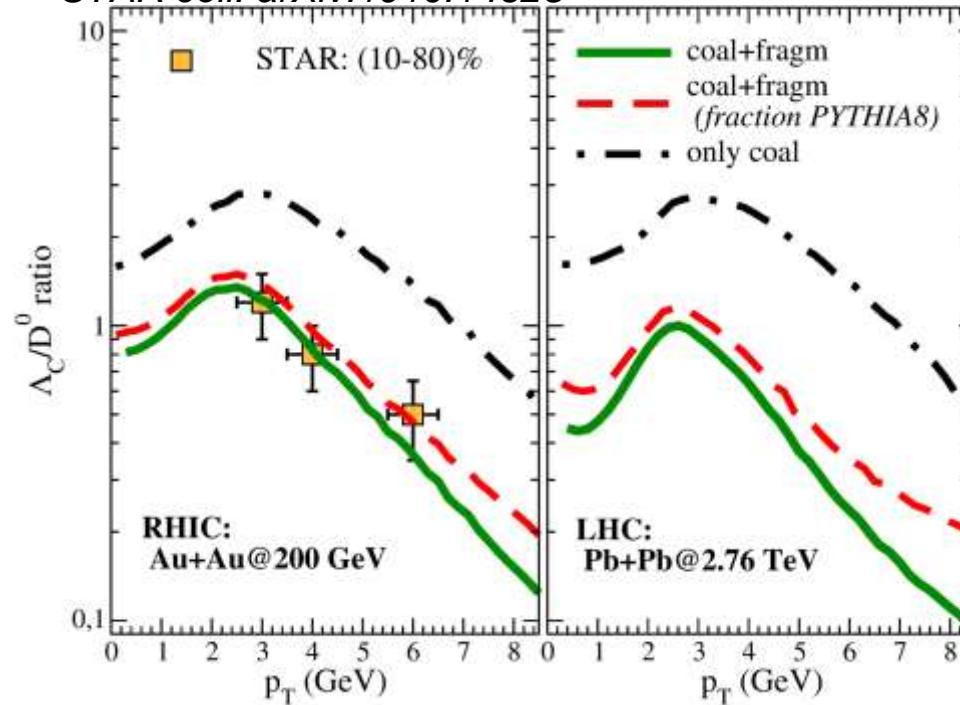
# LHC: results

Data from ALICE Coll. JHEP 1209 (2012) 112



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STAR coll. arXiv:1910.14628



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# RHIC: Baryon/meson

## Coalescence

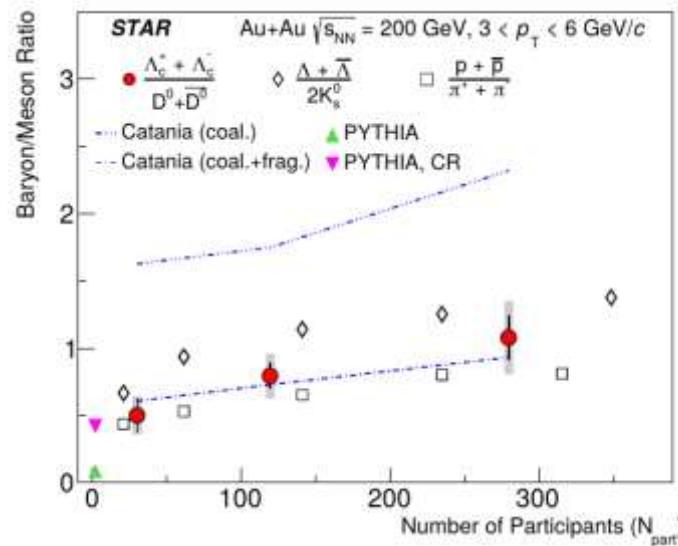
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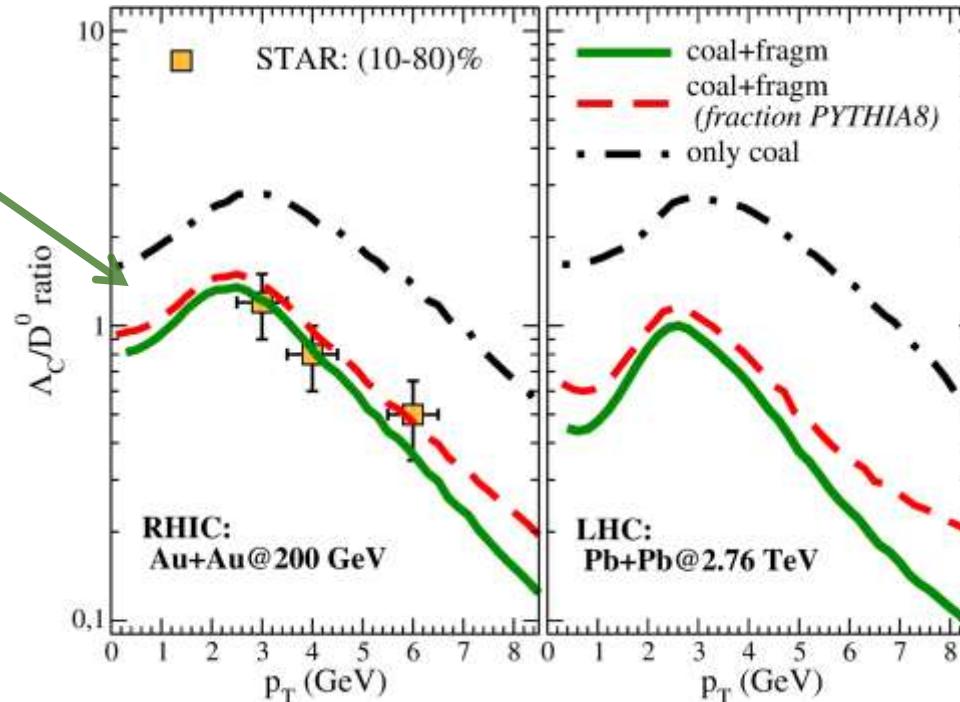
For hypersurface of proper time  $\tau$  and non relativistic limit:

$$\text{for } p_T \ll m \quad \frac{\Lambda_c^+}{D^0} \propto \frac{g_\Lambda}{g_D} \left( \frac{m_T^\Lambda}{m_T^D} \right) e^{-(m^\Lambda - m^D)/T_C} \tau \mu_2$$

$$\mu_2 = \frac{m_3(m_1 + m_2)}{m_1 + m_2 + m_3} \text{ is the reduced mass of the baryon}$$



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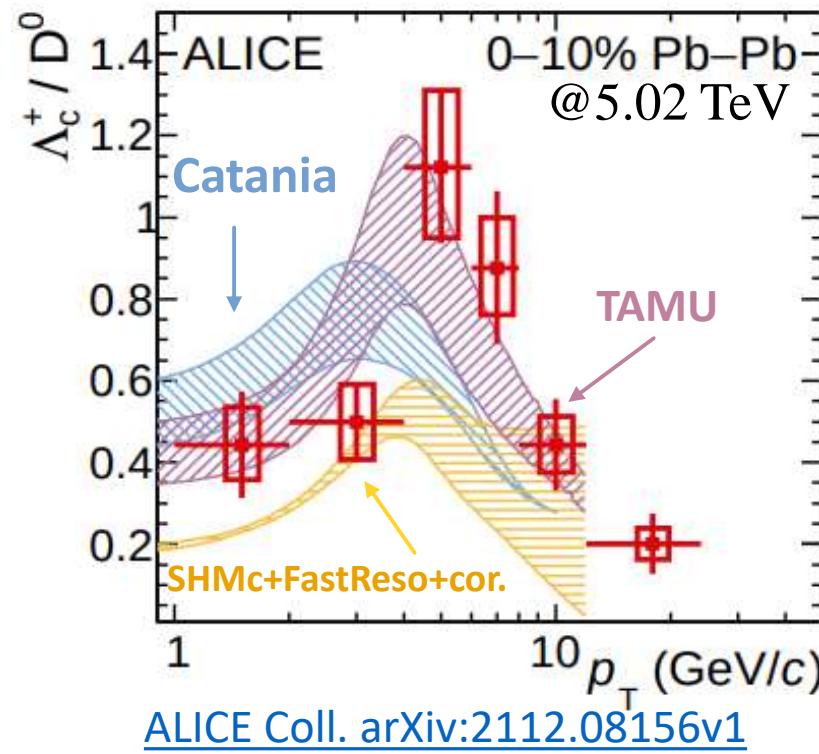


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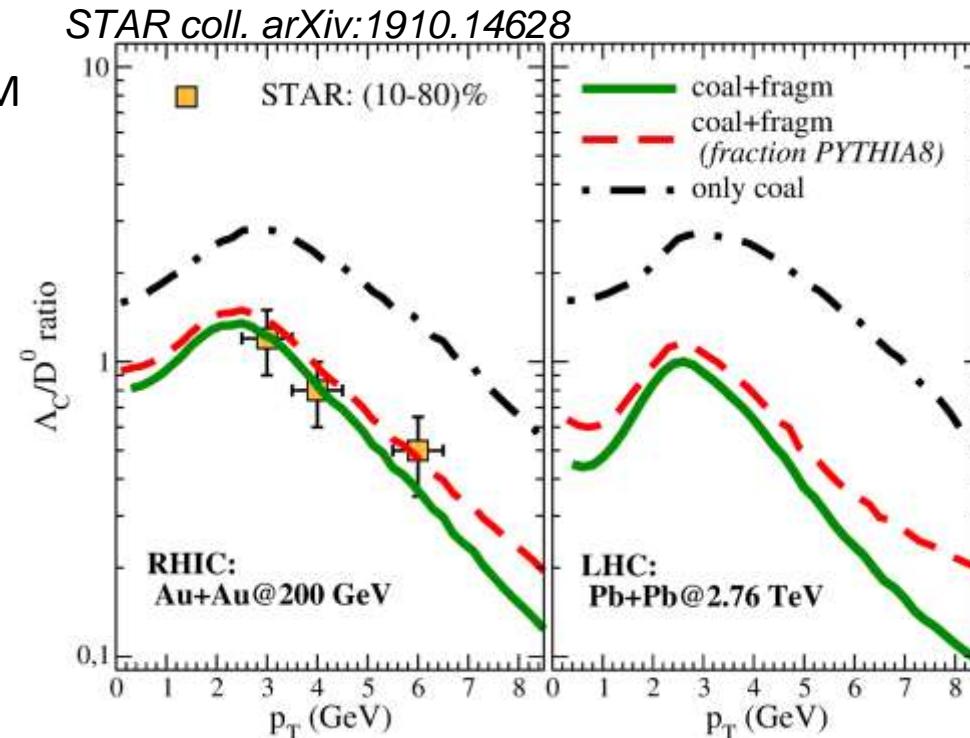
Results for 0-10% in PbPb @5.02TeV:

Consistent with the trend shown at RHIC and LHC @2.76TeV

Available data at low  $p_T$  → differences recombination vs SHM



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grand canonical partition function

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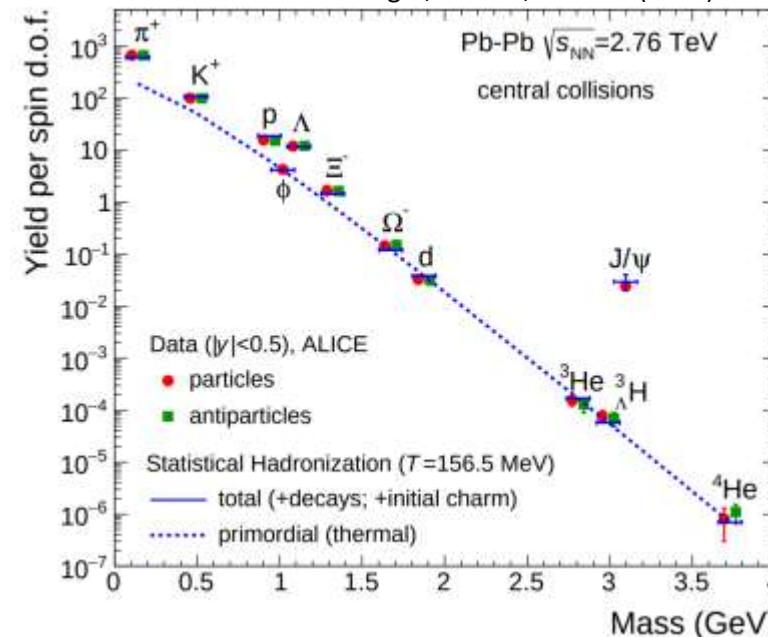
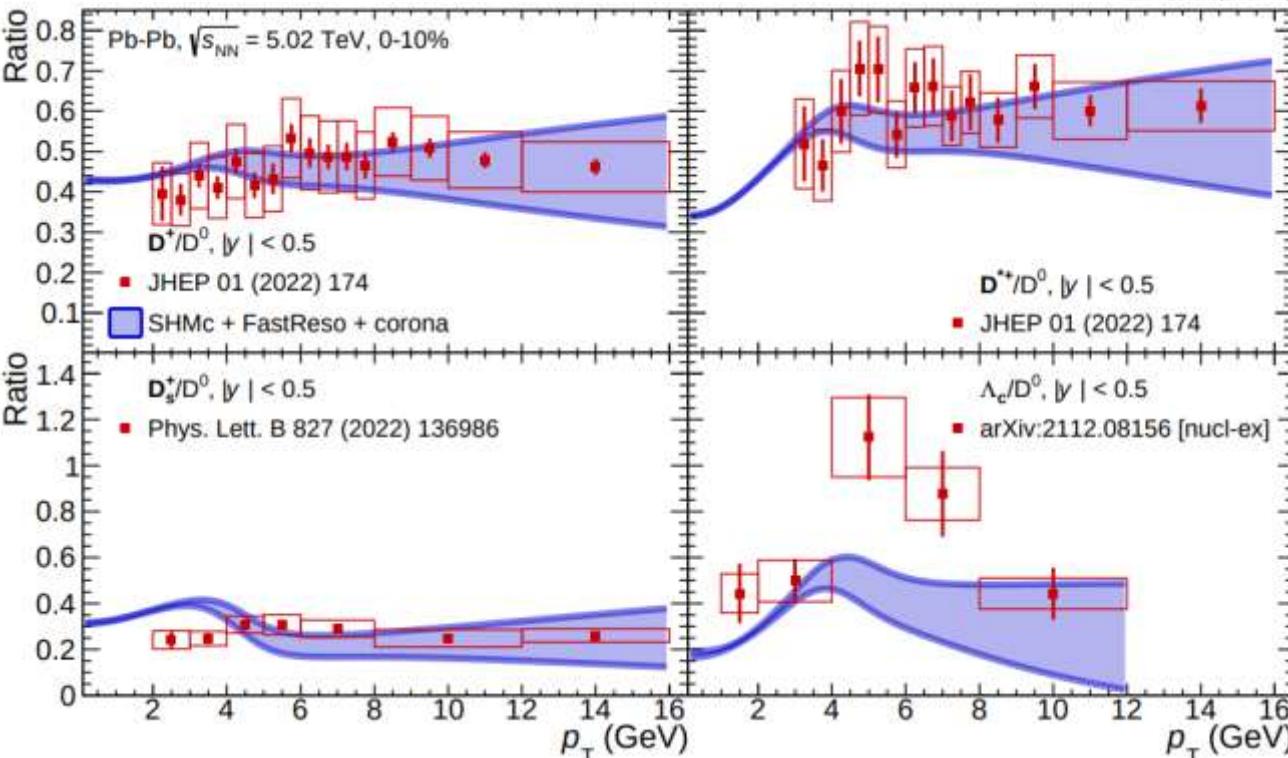
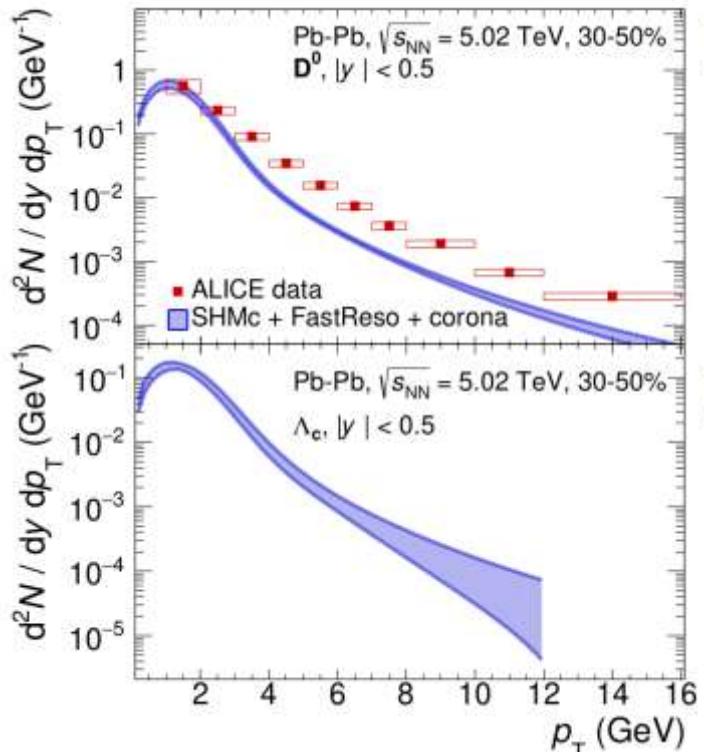
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SHMc yields+blast wave  
 $\rightarrow p_T$  spectra



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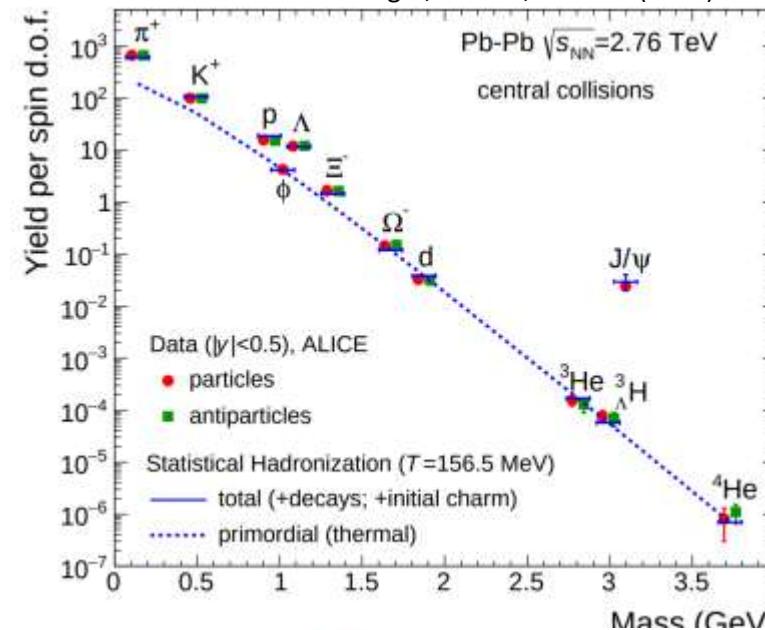
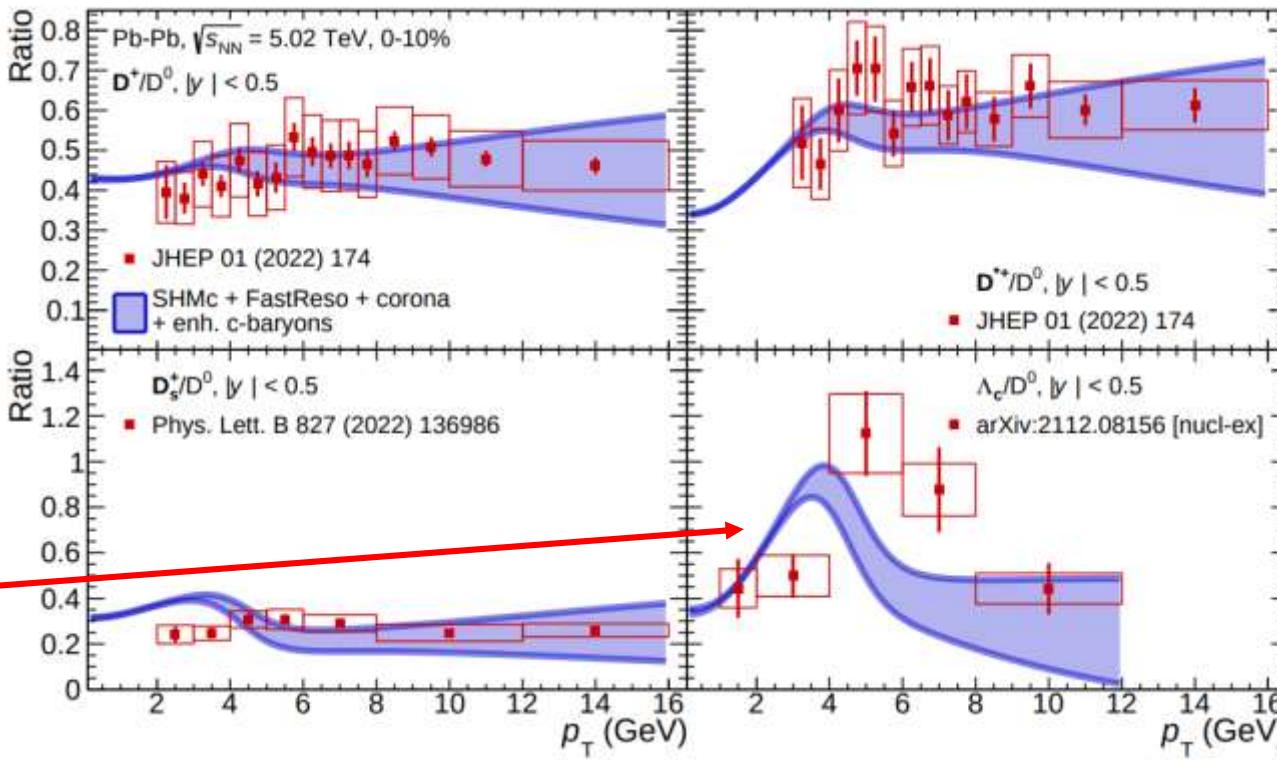
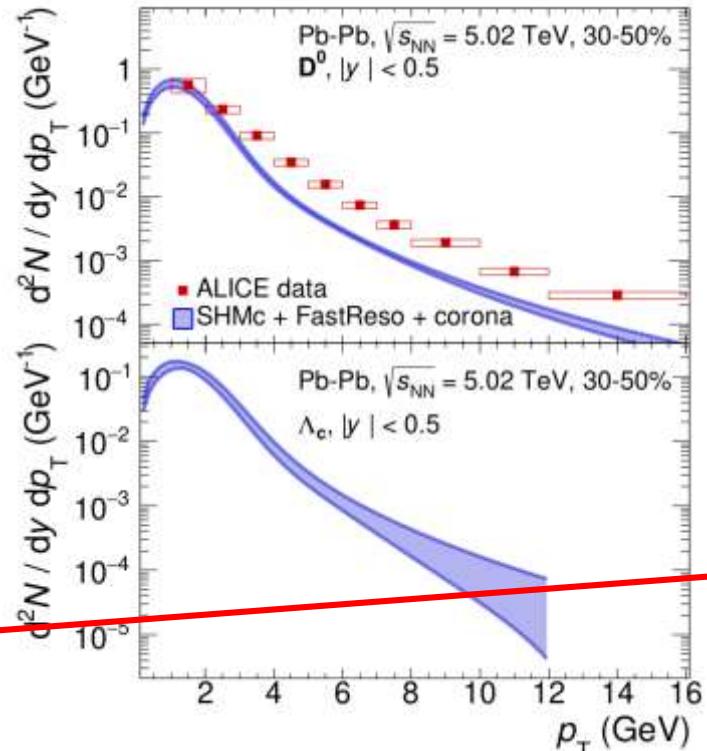
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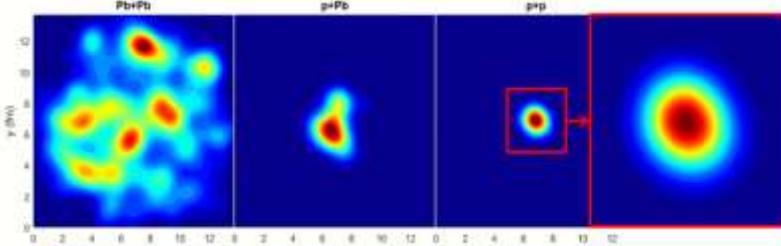
With enhanced set  
of charmed baryons



# Small systems

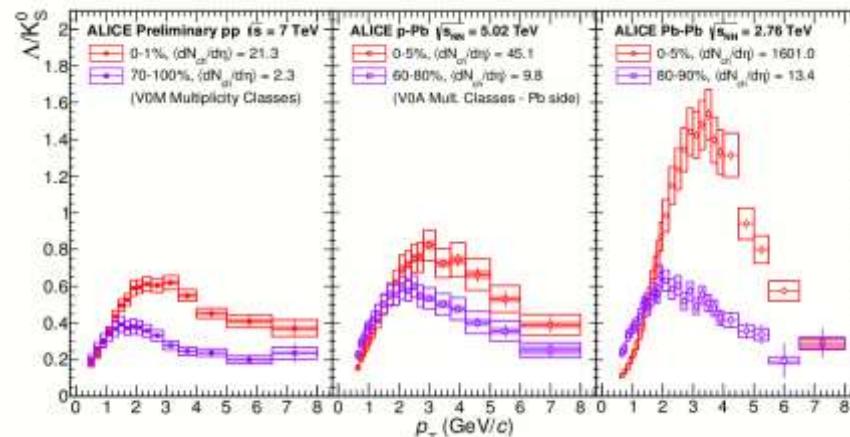
## Traditional view:

- QGP in Pb+Pb
- no QGP in p+p (“baseline”)



## Objections to applying hydro in pp

- Too few particles, cannot be collective
- System not in equilibrium

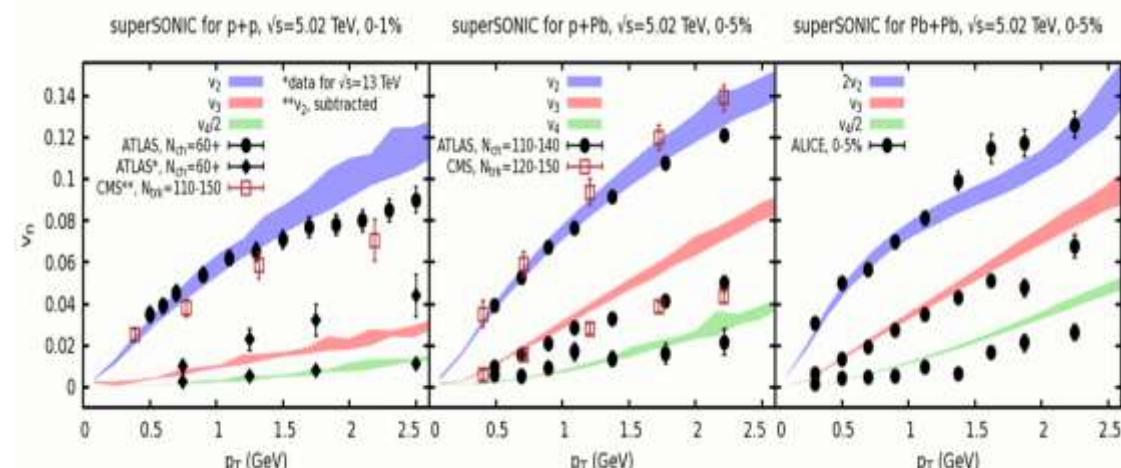
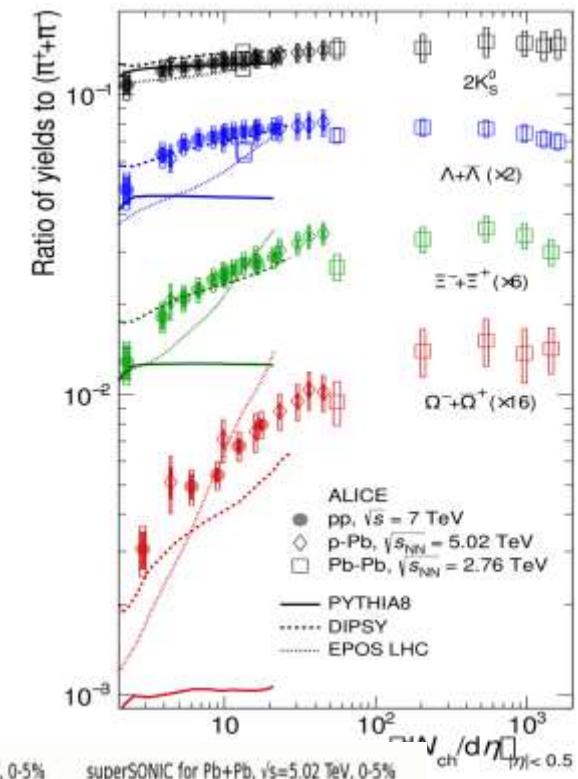


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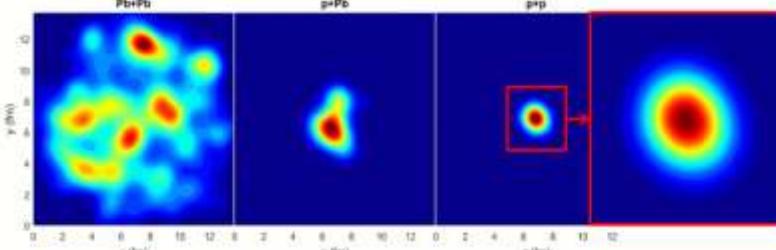


R. D. Weller, P. Romatschke Phys.Lett. B774 (2017) 351-356

# Small systems

## Traditional view:

- QGP in Pb+Pb
- no QGP in p+p (“baseline”)



## Objections to applying hydro in pp

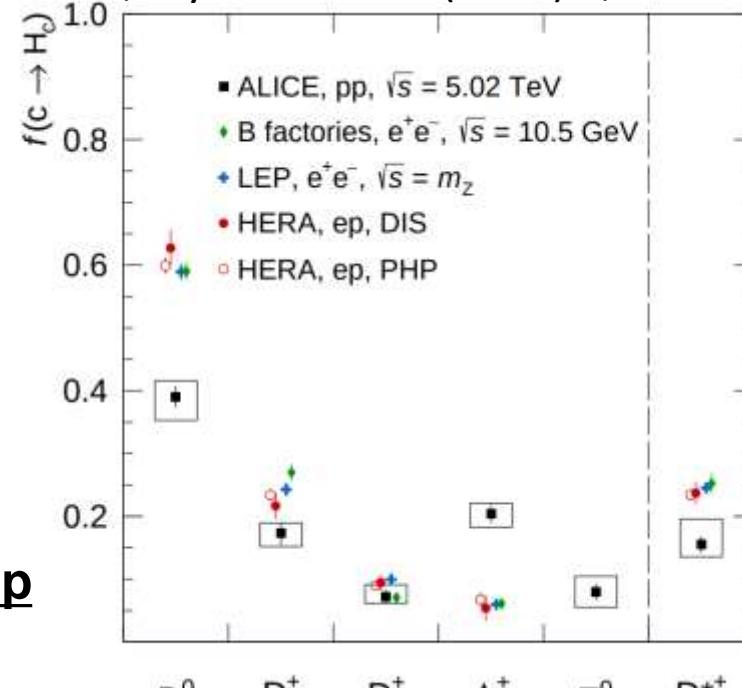
- Too few particles, cannot be collective
- System not in equilibrium

Fragmentation: production from hard-scattering processes (PDF+pQCD).

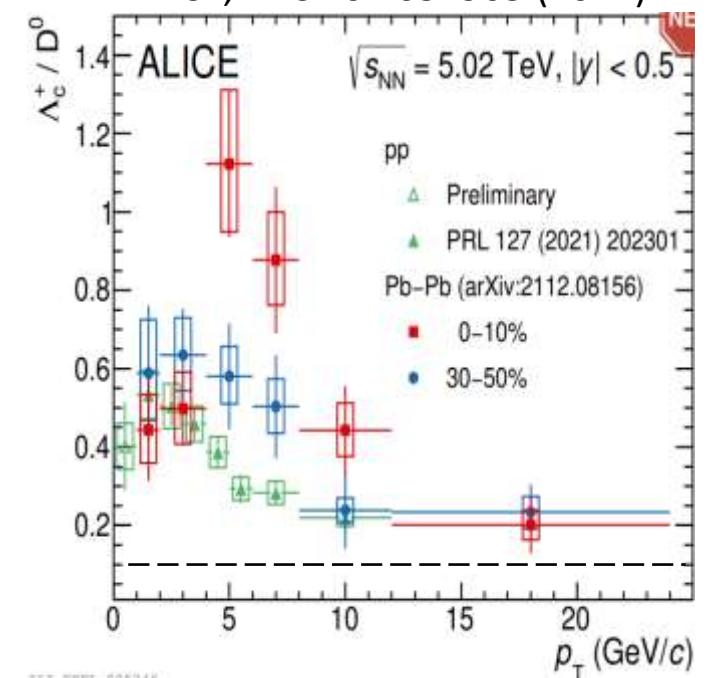
Fragmentation functions: data parametrization, assumed “universal”

Things get more complicated after experimental evidence with ALICE in pp@5TeV:

ALICE, Phys.Rev.D 105 (2022) 1, L011103



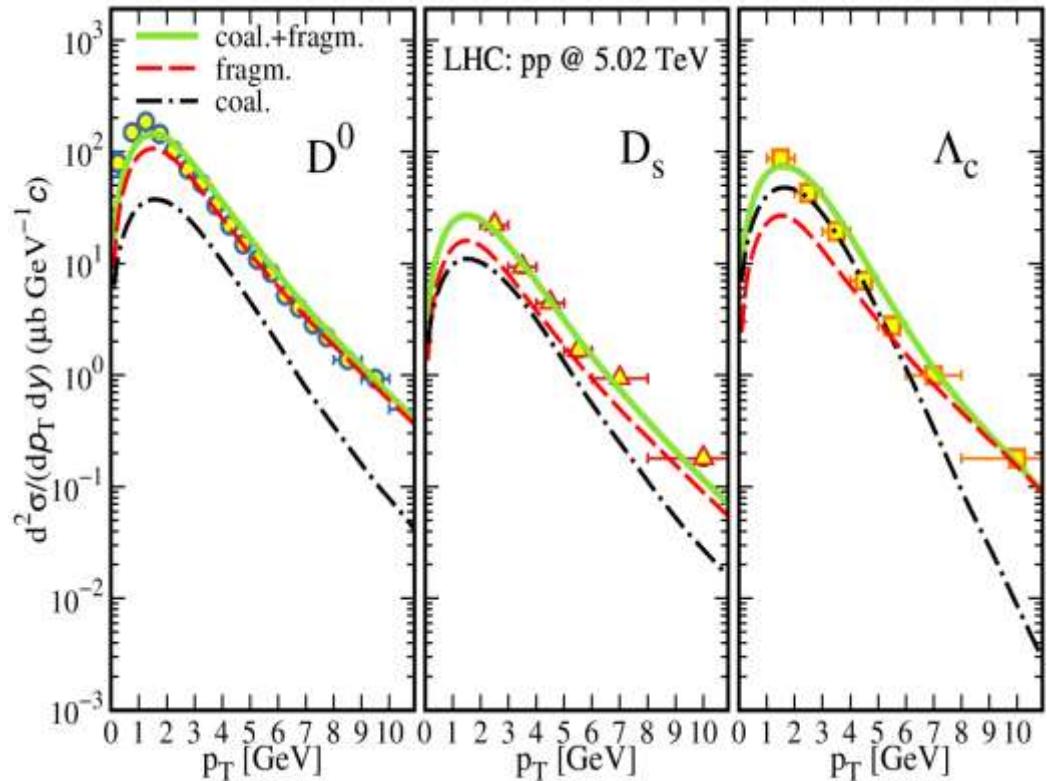
ALICE, PRL 127 202301 (2021)  
ALICE, PRC 104 054905 (2021)



- Indication that fragmentation depends on the collision system
- Assumption of their universality not supported by the measured cross sections

# Small systems: Coalescence in pp?

Data from: ALICE coll. EPJ C79 (2019) no.5, 388  
ALICE coll. Meninno Hard Probes 2018



V. Minissale et al., *Phys.Lett.B* 821 (2021) 136622

- ◆ Thermal Distribution ( $p_T < 2 \text{ GeV}$ )

$$\frac{dN_q}{d^2r_T d^2p_T} = \frac{g_g \tau m_T}{(2\pi)^3} \exp\left(-\frac{\gamma_T(m_T - p_T \cdot \beta_T)}{T}\right)$$

- ◆ Collective flow  $\beta_T = \beta_0 \frac{r}{R}$
- ◆ Fireball radius+radial flow constraints
- ◆  $dN_{\text{ch}}/dy$  and  $dE_T/dy$
- ◆ Minijet Distribution ( $p_T > 2 \text{ GeV}$ )
- ◆ NO QUENCHING

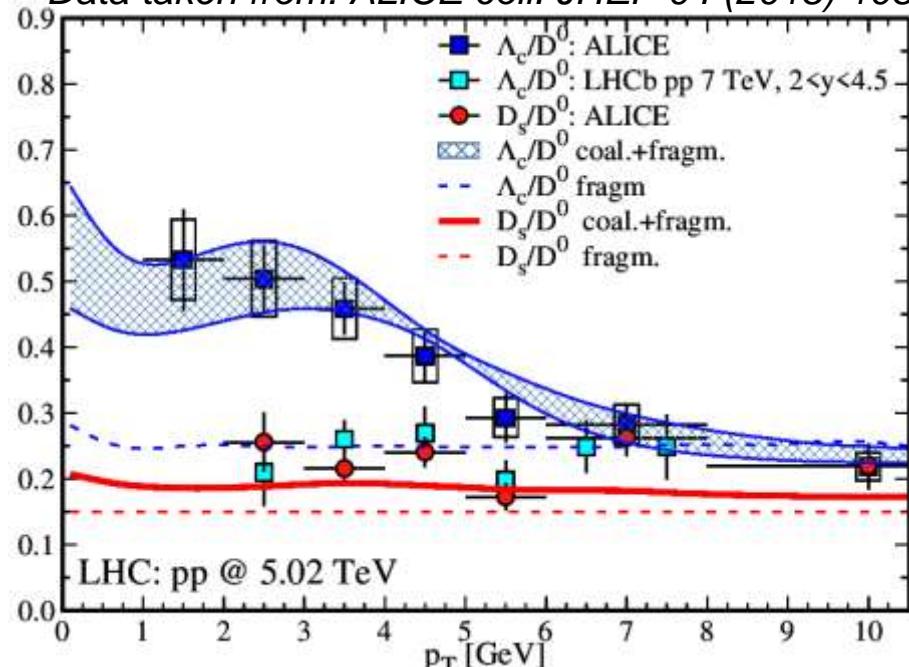
## p+p @ 5 TeV

- $t_{pp} = 1.7 \text{ fm}/c$
- $\beta_0 = 0.4$
- $R = 2.5 \text{ fm}$
- $V \sim 30 \text{ fm}^3$

wave function widths  $\sigma_p$  of baryon and mesons kept the same at RHIC and LHC!

# Small systems: Coalescence in pp?

Data taken from: ALICE coll. JHEP 04 (2018) 108



V. Minissale et al., Phys.Lett.B 821 (2021) 136622

Other models:

[He-Rapp, Phys.Lett.B 795 \(2019\) 117-121](#):

Increase  $\approx 2$  to  $\Lambda_c^+$  production: SHM with resonance not present in PDG

**PYTHIA8 + color reconnection**

CR with SU(3) weights and string length minimization



Error band correspond to  $\langle r^2 \rangle$  uncertainty in quark model

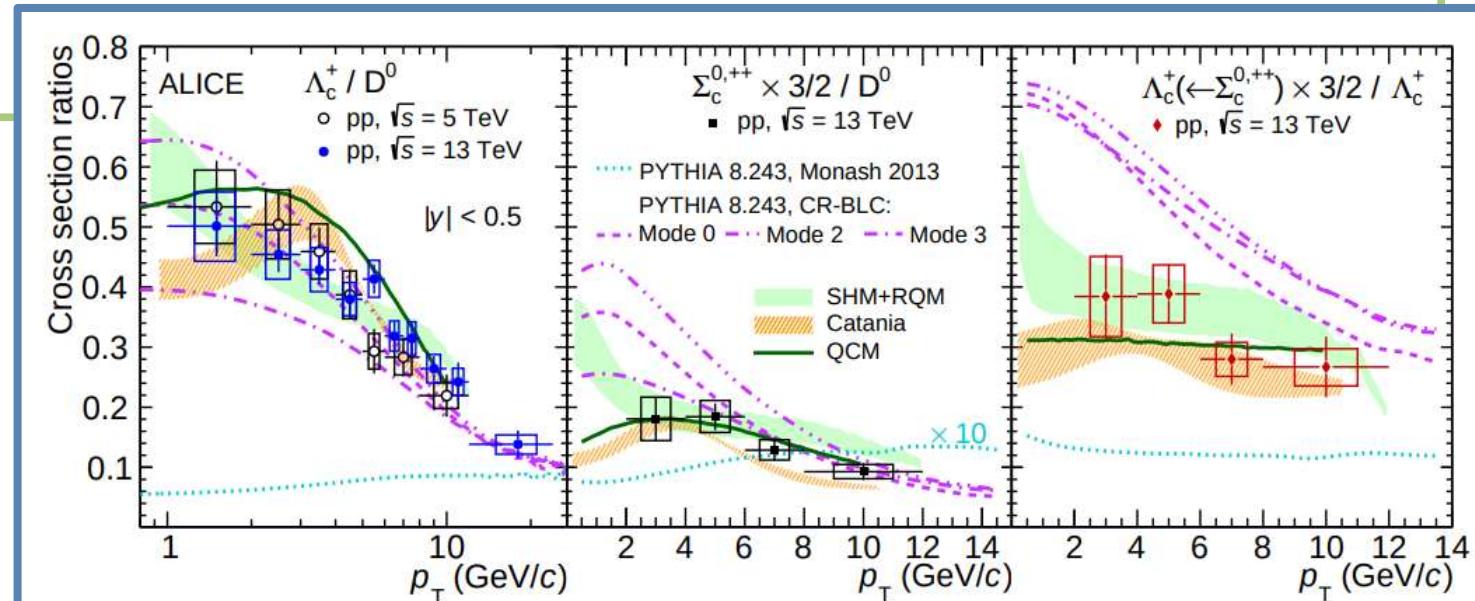
Reduction of rise-and-fall behaviour in  $\Lambda_c^+ / D^0$  ratio:

-Confronting with AA: Coal. contribution smaller w.r.t. Fragm.

-FONLL distribution flatter w/o evolution trough QGP

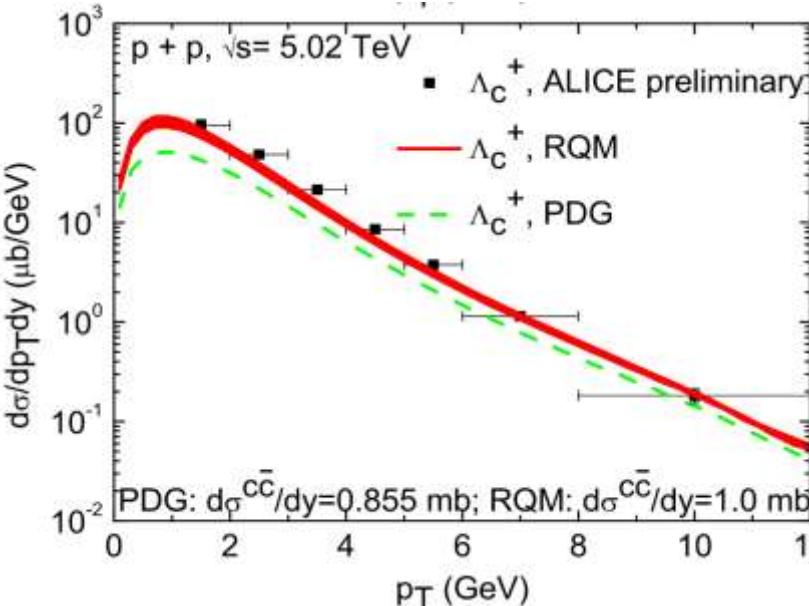
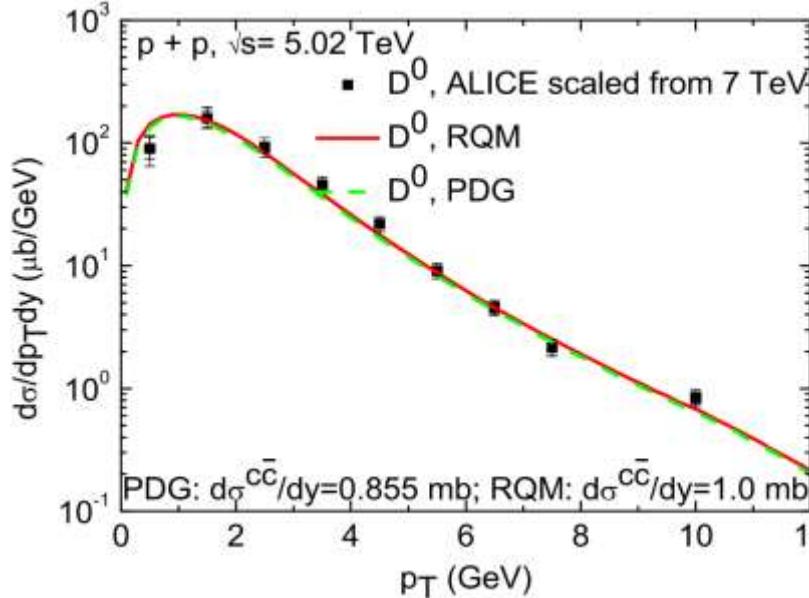
-Volume size effect

[ALICE Coll., Physical Review Letters 128, 012001 \(2022\)](#)



# Small systems: Coalescence in pp?

He-Rapp, Phys.Lett.B 795 (2019) 117-121



Statistical hadronization for charm hadrons:

- chemical equilibrium with different charm-hadron species

$$n_i = \frac{d_i}{2\pi^2} m_i^2 T_H K_2\left(\frac{m_i}{T_H}\right)$$

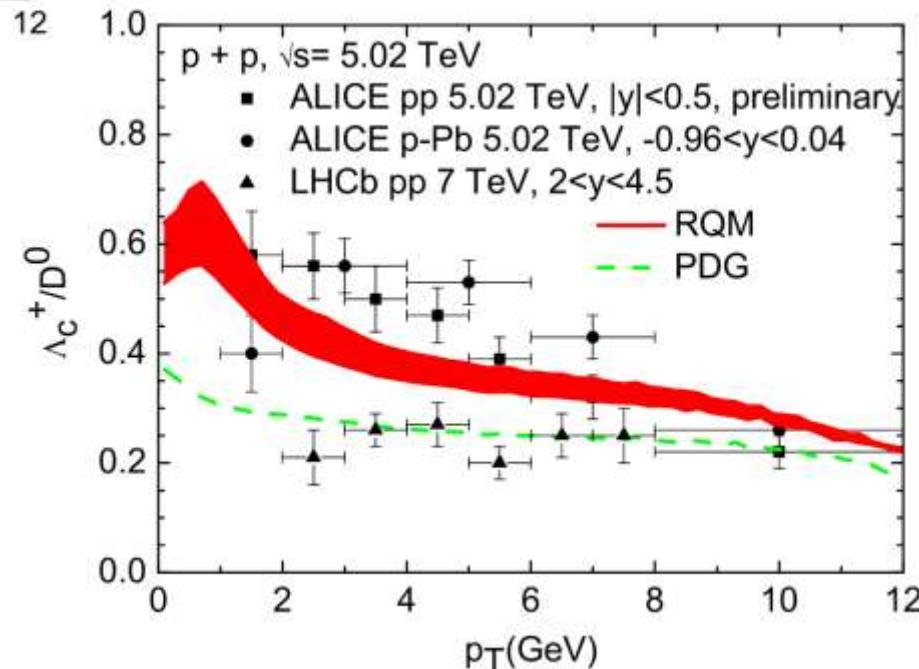
-Increased set of baryons for the  $\Lambda_c$  production:

PDG:  $5\Lambda_c, 3\Sigma_c, 8\Xi_c, 2\Omega_c$

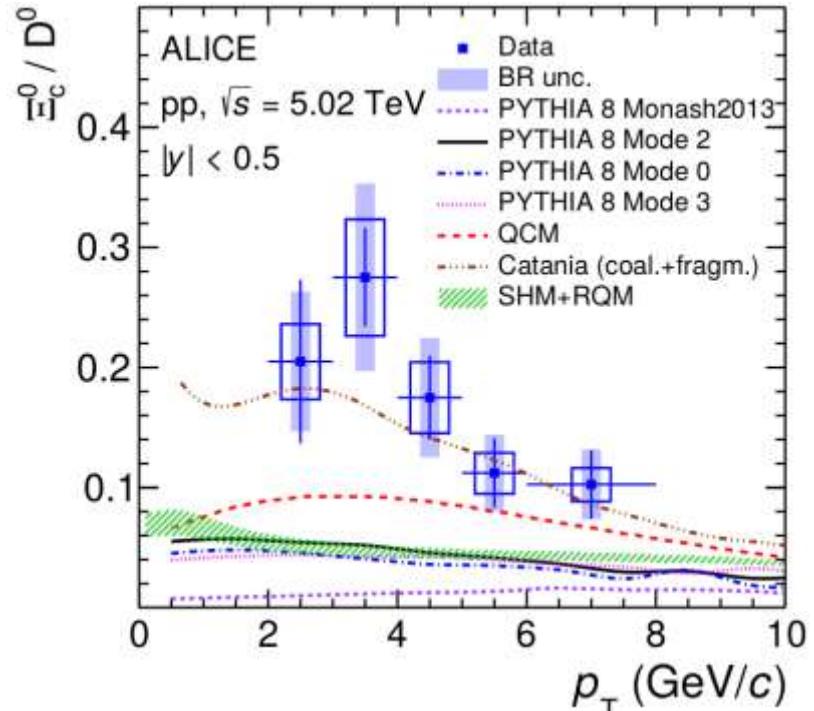
RQM:  $18\Lambda_c, 42\Sigma_c, 62\Xi_c, 34\Omega_c$

Thermal yields to compute the charmed hadron-chemistry

Transverse-momentum spectra calculated with fragmentation of c-quark spectrum from FONLL



# Small systems: Coalescence in pp?



Assuming additional PDG resonances with  $J=3/2$  and decay to  $\Omega_c^0$  additional to  $\Omega_c^0(2770)$

$\Omega_c^0(3000), \Omega_c^0(3005), \Omega_c^0(3065), \Omega_c^0(3090), \Omega_c^0(3120)$

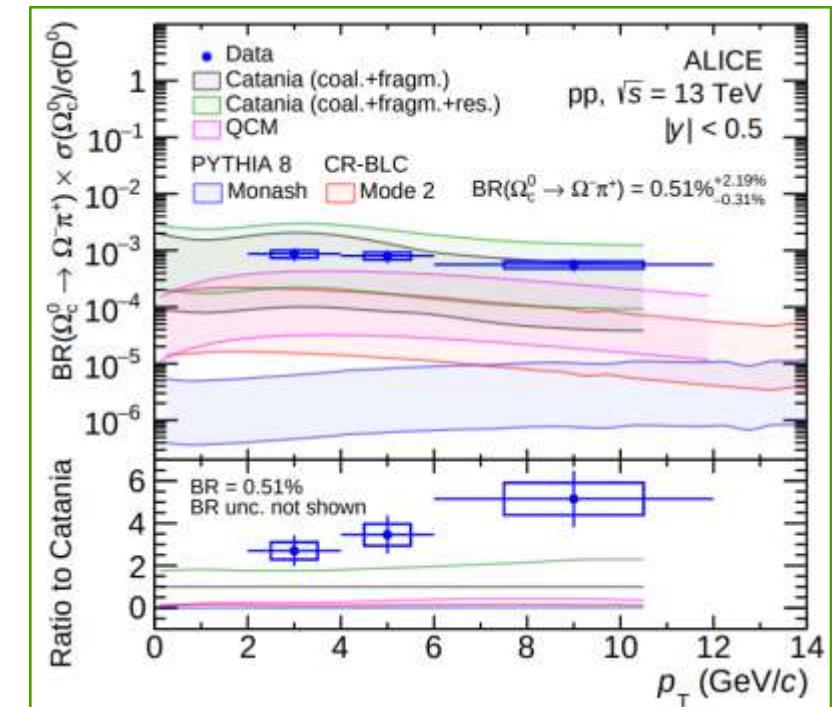
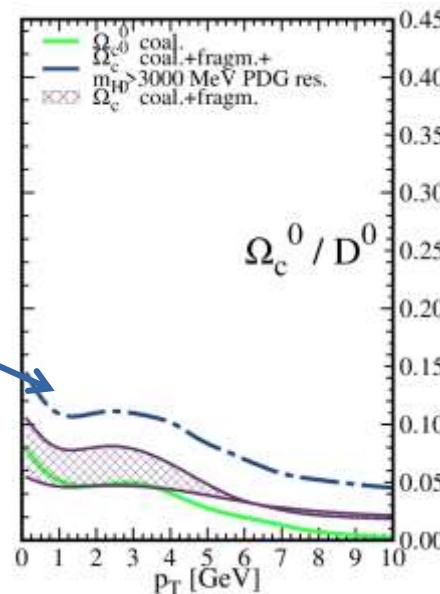
supply an idea of how these states may affect the ratio

E. Santopinto et. al, EPJC 79 (2019) 12, 1012

Error band correspond to  $\langle r^2 \rangle$  uncertainty in quark model

## New measurements of heavy hadrons at ALICE:

- $\Xi_c/D^0$  ratio, same order of  $\Lambda_c/D^0$ : coalescence gives enhancement
- very large  $\Omega_c/D^0$  ratio



[ALICE Coll. JHEP 10 \(2021\) 159](#)

[ALICE Coll. arXiv:2205.13993](#)

[V. Minissale, S. Plumari, V. Greco, Physics Letters B 821 \(2021\) 136622](#)

**Multi-charm in PbPb - KrKr – ArAr -OO**

# Multi-charm production in PbPb, KrKr, ArAr, OO

Baryon			
$\Xi_{cc}^{+,++} = dec, ucc$	3621	$\frac{1}{2} (\frac{1}{2})$	
$\Omega_{scc}^+ = scc$	3679	$0 (\frac{1}{2})$	
$\Omega_{ccc}^{++} = ccc$	4761	$0 (\frac{3}{2})$	
Resonances			
$\Xi_{cc}^*$	3648	$\frac{1}{2} (\frac{3}{2})$	$1.71 \times g.s$
$\Omega_{scc}^*$	3765	$0 (\frac{3}{2})$	$1.23 \times g.s$

like S.Cho and S.H. Lee, PRC101 (2020)  
from R.A. Briceno et al., PRD 86(2012)

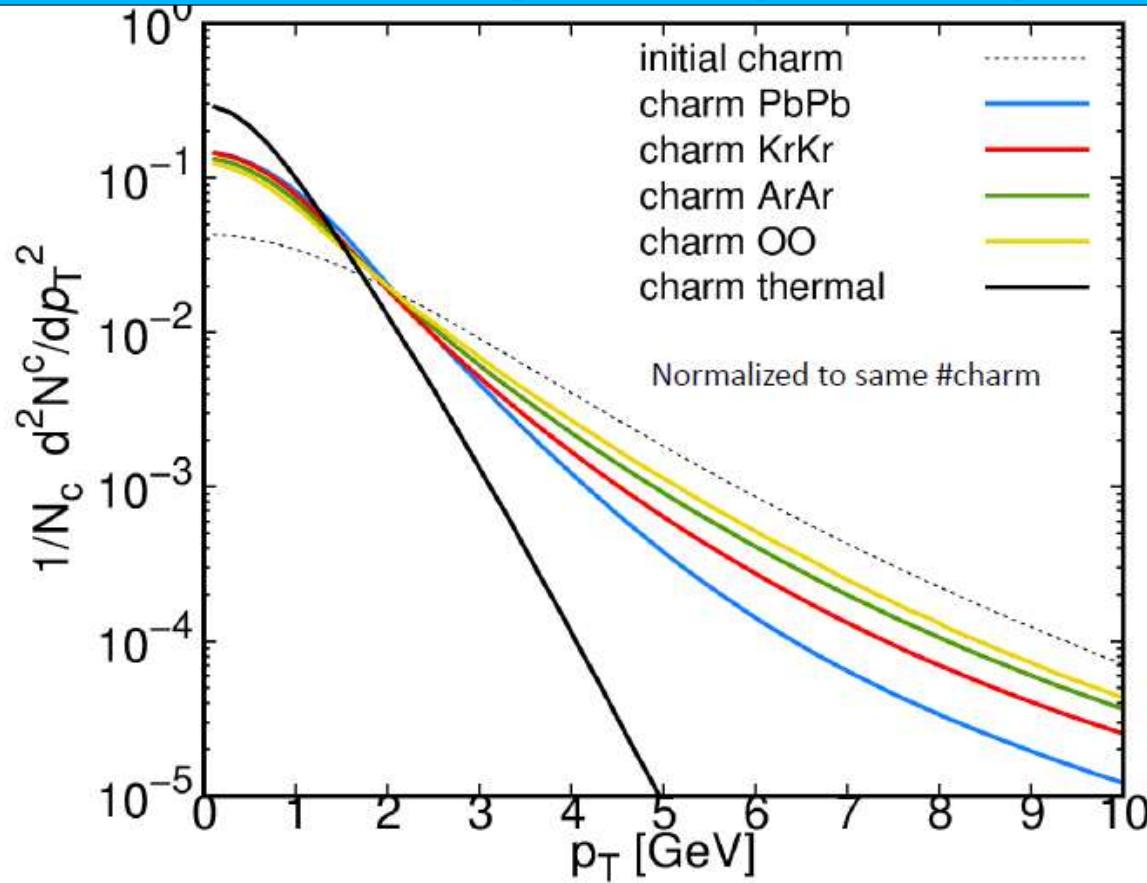
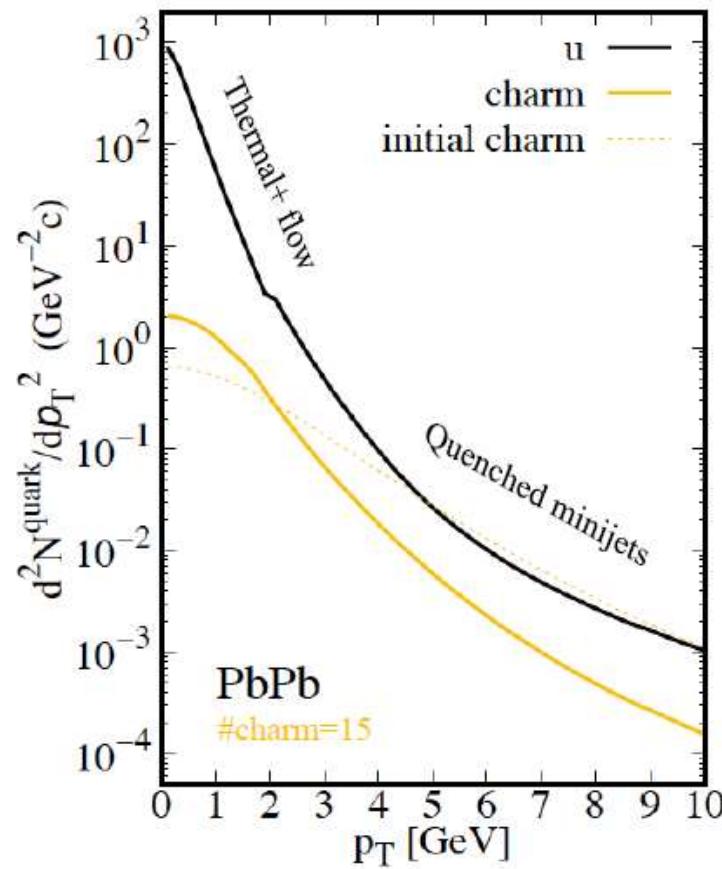
## Strengths of the approach:

- Does not rely on distribution in equilibrium for charm  
→ useful for small AA down to pp collisions and at  $p_T > 3\text{-}4 \text{ GeV}$
- Provide a  $p_T$  dependence of spectra and their ratios vs  $p_T$

Widths from harmonic oscillator  
rescaling

	$\Xi_c$	$\Omega_c$	$\Xi_{cc}^{(scal.\omega)}$	$\Omega_{ccc}^{(scal.\omega)}$
$\sigma_{p_1}(\text{GeV})$	0.262	0.345	0.317	0.668
$\sigma_{p_2}(\text{GeV})$	0.438	0.557	0.573	0.771
$\sigma_{r_1}(fm)$	0.751	0.572	0.622	0.295
$\sigma_{r_2}(fm)$	0.450	0.354	0.344	0.256
$\langle r^2 \rangle_{ch}(fm^2)$	0.2	-0.12	0.363	0.09
$\langle r^2 \rangle(fm^2)$	0.745	0.428	0.545	0.13
$\omega$	$1.03e-2$	$1.5e-2$	$1.03e-2$	$1.5e-2$

# Multi-charm production in PbPb, KrKr, ArAr, OO



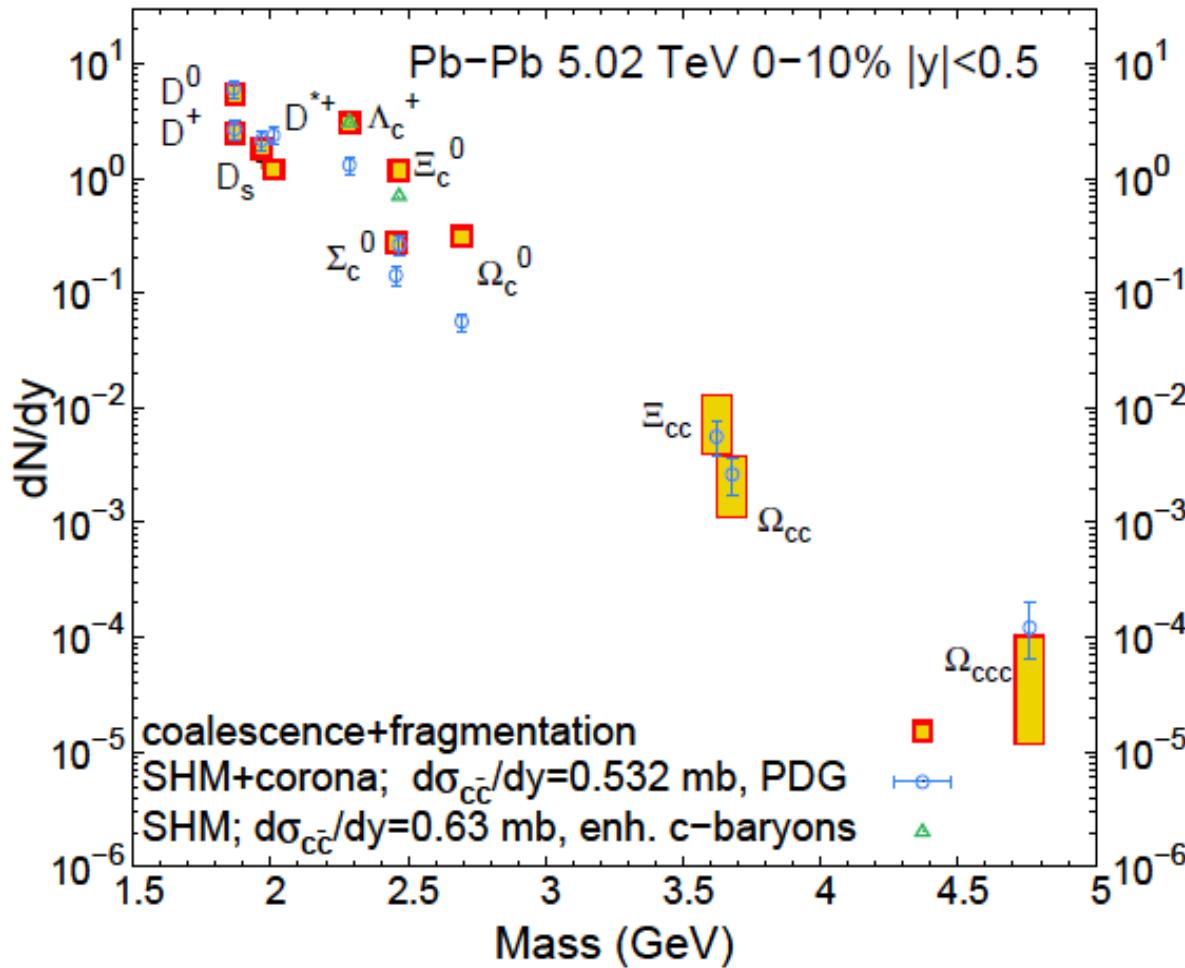
	OO	ArAr	KrKr	PbPb
$R_0(f\text{m})$	2.76	3.75	4.9	6.5
$R_{\max}(f\text{m})$	5.2	7.65	10.1	14.1
$\tau(f\text{m})$	4	5	6.2	8
$\beta_{\max}$	0.55	0.6	0.64	0.7
$V_{ y <0.5}(f\text{m}^3)$	345	920	2000	5000

Volume scales with  $A$ , now we employ the same value of SHM  
A. Andronic et al., JHEP (2021) 035

#charm= 15 (PbPb), 4.35 (KrKr), 1.5(ArAr), 0.4(OO)

# Yields in PbPb: coalescence vs SHM

V. Minissale, S. Plumari, Y. Sun and V. Greco, arXiv:2305.03687.



$\Sigma_c^0, \Xi_c^0, \Omega_c^0$ , widths from quark model  
 $\Xi_{cc}, \Omega_{cc}$  widths obtained rescaling with harm. oscillator

$$\sigma_{ri} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_i \omega}} \quad \mu_1 = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}; \mu_2 = \frac{(m_1 + m_2) m_3}{m_1 + m_2 + m_3}$$

→ upper limit: charm thermal distribution  
 → lower limit: PbPb distribution with widths rescaled as standard Harm. Oscill. ( $\omega$  from  $\Omega_c^0$ )

# Yields in PbPb: coalescence

V. Minissale, S. Plumari, Y. Sun and V. Greco, arXiv:2305.03687.

$D^0$  and  $\Lambda_c$  determine the yield, the radius variation is compensated by the constraint on the charm hadronization

A  $\pm 50\%$  in the radius of  $\Omega_{ccc}$  induces a change in the yield by about 1 order of magnitude

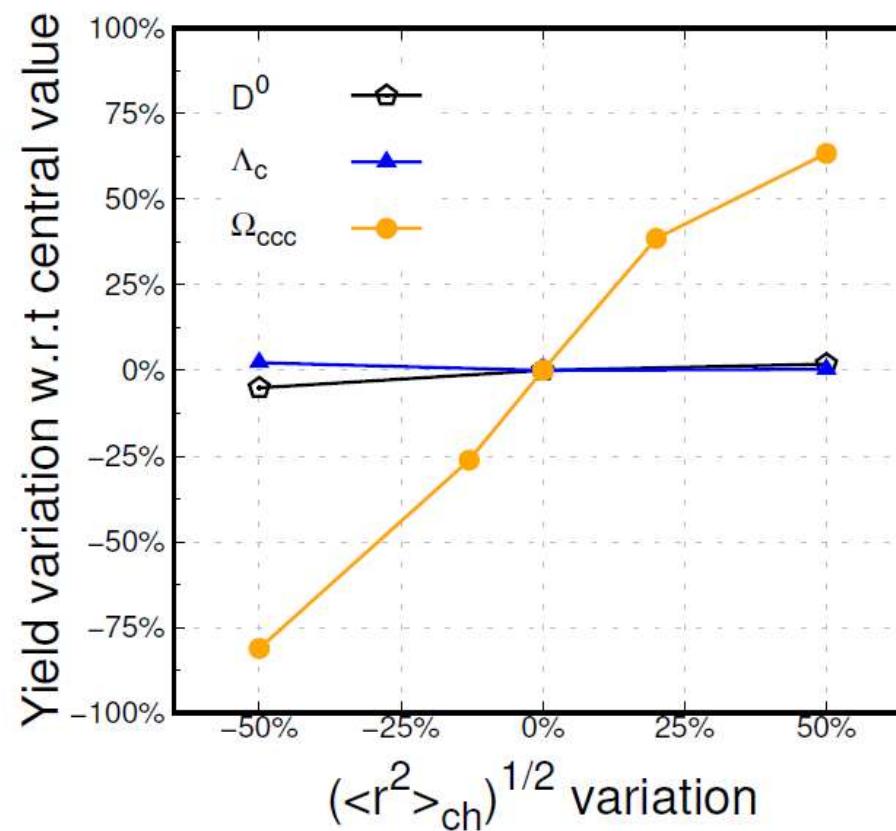
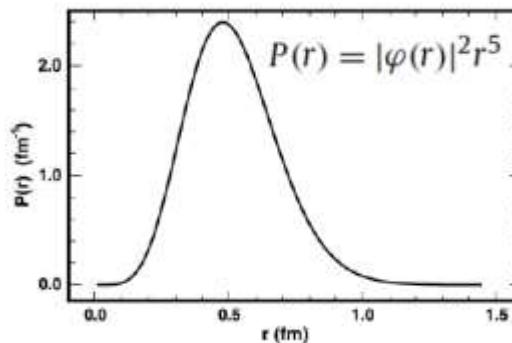
$$V(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{r}_3) = \sum_{i < j} V_{cc}(\mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{r}_j). \quad V_{c\bar{c}}(\mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{r}_j) = -\frac{\alpha}{|\mathbf{r}_{ij}|} + \sigma |\mathbf{r}_{ij}|,$$

Solve the 3-body problem by a 1-body in higher dimensions hyperspherical coordinates method

$$\left[ \frac{1}{2m_c} \left( -\frac{d^2}{dr^2} - \frac{5}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \right) + v(r) \right] \varphi(r) = E \varphi(r)$$

$$W(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = \int d^6 \mathbf{y} e^{-i \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{y}} \psi \left( \mathbf{r} + \frac{\mathbf{y}}{2} \right) \psi^* \left( \mathbf{r} - \frac{\mathbf{y}}{2} \right)$$

$$W(r, p, \theta) = \frac{1}{\pi^3} \int d^6 \mathbf{y} e^{-i p y_1} \varphi(r_y^+) \varphi^*(r_y^-),$$

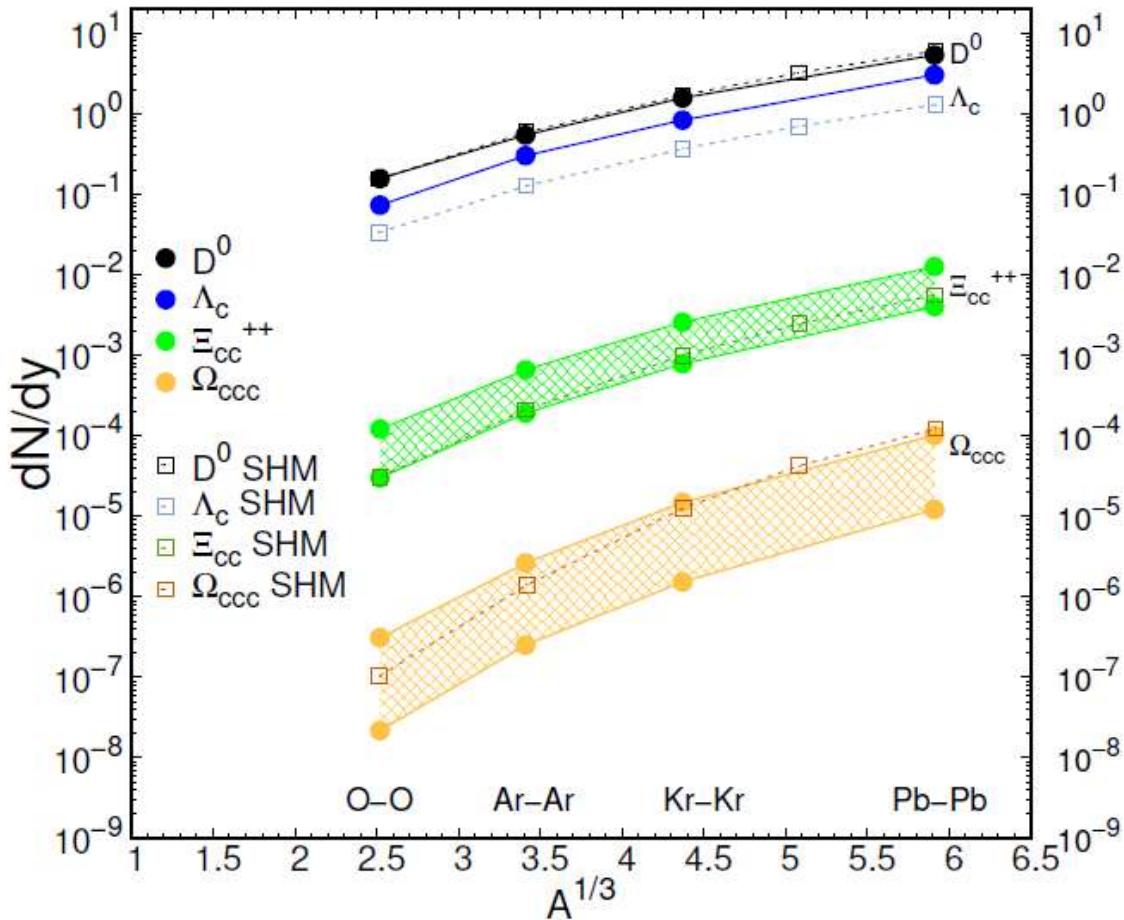


$$\frac{dN}{d^2\mathbf{p}_T d\eta} = C \int_{\Sigma} \frac{P^\mu d\sigma_\mu(R)}{(2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^4 r_x d^4 r_y d^4 p_x d^4 p_y}{(2\pi)^6} \times F(\tilde{r}_1, \tilde{r}_2, \tilde{r}_3, \tilde{p}_1, \tilde{p}_2, \tilde{p}_3) W(r_x, r_y, p_x, p_y),$$

$\Omega_{ccc}$   $\langle r \rangle = 0.5$  fm &  $\sigma_r \cdot \sigma_p \approx 1.5$   
similar to Tsinghua PLB746 (2015)

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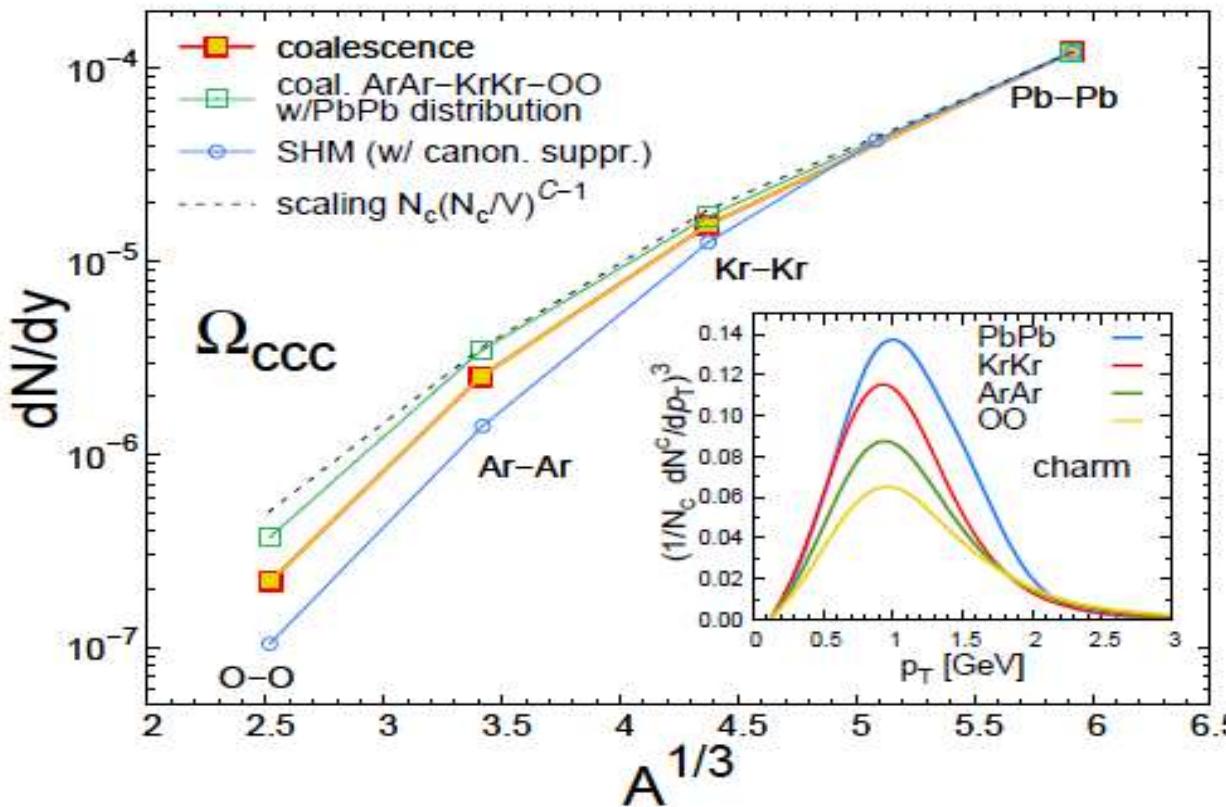
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	$D^0$	$\Lambda_c$	$\Xi_{cc}^{+,++}$	$\Omega_{ccc}$
$O-O$	0.156	0.0732	$3-12.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$2.2-29.2 \cdot 10^{-8}$
$ArAr$	0.543	0.301	$1.9-6.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.5-26.3 \cdot 10^{-7}$
$KrKr$	1.564	0.835	$0.78-2.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.5-14.9 \cdot 10^{-6}$
$PbPb$	5.343	3.0123	$4-12.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0.12-1.01 \cdot 10^{-4}$

# Yields scaling with A



## Scaling of SHM (for $A > 40$ )

$$\frac{dN^{AA}}{dy}(h^i) = \frac{dN^{PbPb}}{dy}(h^i) \left( \frac{A}{208} \right)^{(\alpha+3)/3} \frac{f_{can}(\alpha, A)}{f_{can}(\alpha, Pb)}$$

For coalescence, in an homogeneous density background in equilibrium at fixed T, discarding flow and wave functions effects the expected scaling is:

$$V \left( \frac{N_c}{V} \right)^c = N_c \left( \frac{N_c}{V} \right)^{C-1}$$

with  $N_c \propto A^{4/3}$  and  $V \propto A$   
 $\rightarrow$  the scaling corresponds to  $\frac{dN}{dy} \propto A^{\frac{C+3}{3}}$

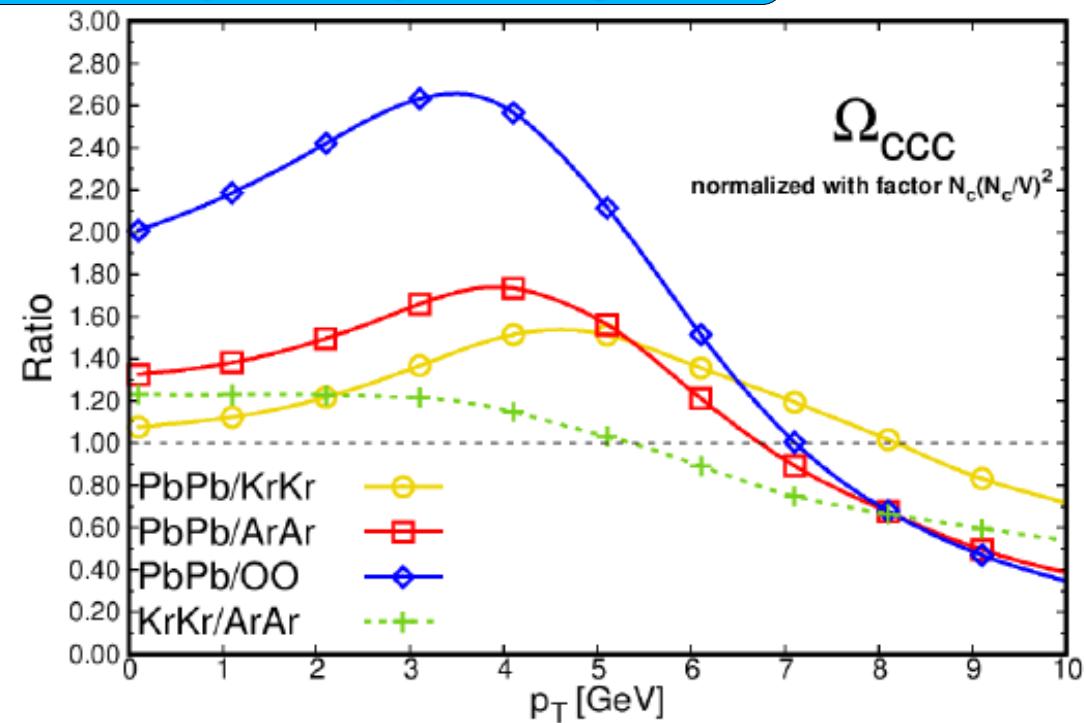
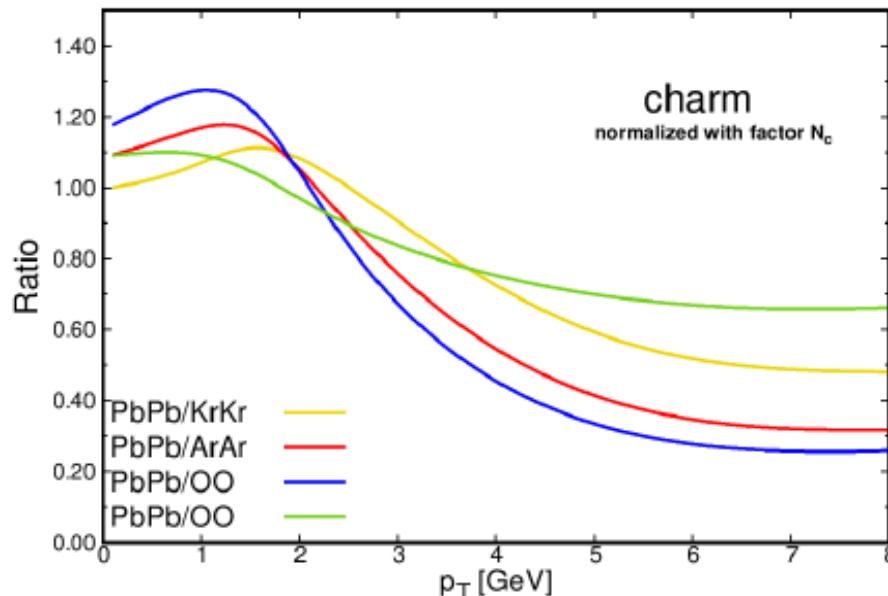
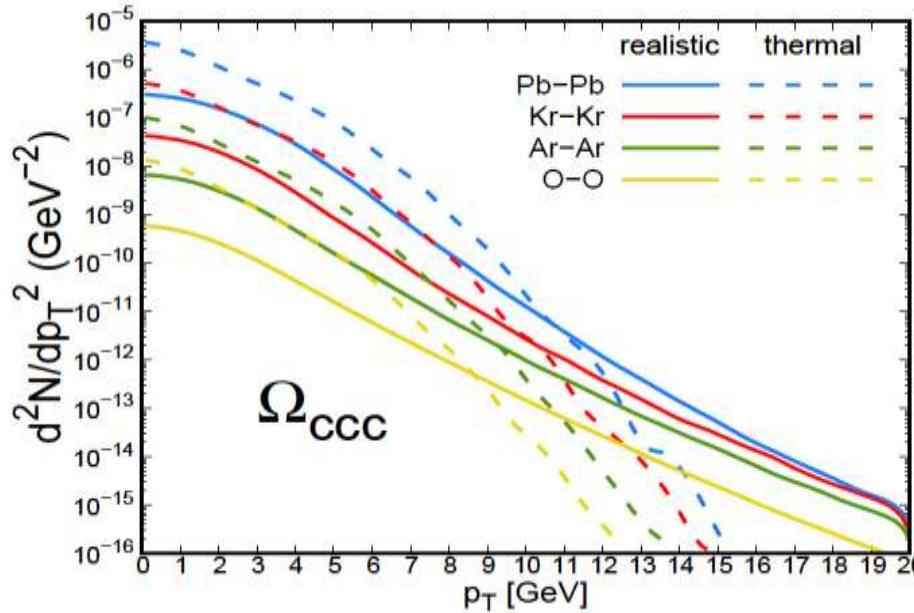
like in SHM w/o canonical suppression

- If the  $p_T$ -distribution does not change we obtain the scaling expected
- There is an effect due to different charm distributions. In Ar-Ar it reduces  $\Omega_{ccc}$  by  $\approx 1.3$  factor, in O-O it is  $\approx 1.7$
- the cube of the distribution gives an idea of this difference, but Wigner function mitigate the effect

A larger production of coalescence w.r.t. SHM for small systems:

- Lack of canonical suppression, but e-b-e fluctuations can enhance production?  $\langle N^3 \rangle > \langle N \rangle^3$

# Ratios of pT distribution $\Omega_{ccc}$ in PbPb/KrKr/ArAr/00



- It can be a meter of non-equilibrium.  
Translation of feature of charm spectra at low  $p_T$  into higher momentum region.
- More sensitive for multicharm respect to D mesons and  $\Lambda_c$ .  
Both effects of light quarks and fragmentation

# Conclusion

- Charm hadronization in AA different than in  $e^+e^-$  and ep collisions
  - Coalescence+fragmentation/Resonance Recombination Model enhancement of  $\Lambda_c$  production at intermediate  $p_T \rightarrow \Lambda_c/D^0 \sim 1$  for  $p_T \sim 3$  GeV
  - SHM with charm provide information on charm quark thermalization at low  $p_T$
- *In p+p assuming a medium:*
  - Coal.+fragm. good description of heavy baryon/meson ratio (closer to the data for  $\Lambda_c/D^0$ ,  $\Xi_c/D^0$ ,  $\Omega_c/D^0$ )
  - SHM+fragmentation able to capture the  $\Lambda_c$  production
- The yield of multi-charm decreases slowly with A in a coalescence approach
  - role of non-equilibrium distribution function



# Heavy flavour (charm): Resonance decay

In our calculations we take into account main hadronic channels, including the ground states and the first excited states for D and  $\Lambda_c$

## MESONS

$D^+$  ( $I=1/2, J=0$ )

$D^0$  ( $I=1/2, J=0$ )

$D_s^+$  ( $I=0, J=0$ )

## Resonances

$D^{*+}$  ( $I=1/2, J=1$ )  $\rightarrow D^0 \pi^+$  B.R. 68%

$D^+ X$  B.R. 32%

$D^{*0}$  ( $I=1/2, J=1$ )  $\rightarrow D^0 \pi^0$  B.R. 62%

$D^0 \gamma$  B.R. 38%

$D_s^{*+}$  ( $I=0, J=1$ )  $\rightarrow D_s^+ X$  B.R. 100%

$D_{s0}^{*+}$  ( $I=0, J=0$ )  $\rightarrow D_s^+ X$  B.R. 100%

## Statistical factor

$$\frac{[(2J+1)(2I+1)]_{H^*}}{[(2J+1)(2I+1)]_H} \left(\frac{m_{H^*}}{m_H}\right)^{3/2} e^{-(E_{H^*}-E_H)/T}$$

## BARYONS

$\Lambda_c^+$  ( $I=0, J=1/2$ )

## Resonances

$\Lambda_c^+(2595)$  ( $I=0, J=1/2$ )  $\rightarrow \Lambda_c^+$  B.R. 100%

$\Lambda_c^+(2625)$  ( $I=0, J=3/2$ )  $\rightarrow \Lambda_c^+$  B.R. 100%

$\Sigma_c^+(2455)$  ( $I=1, J=1/2$ )  $\rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi$  B.R. 100%

$\Sigma_c^+(2520)$  ( $I=1, J=3/2$ )  $\rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi$  B.R. 100%