

# Multi-Parton Interactions and Underlying Event: A PYTHIA perspective

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# Introduction

- A brief overview of Pythia's venture into heavy ion physics.
- Why?
  - Heavy ion phenomena in pp at LHC spurred interest.
  - Pythia often used as “baseline” tool.
- But! Underlying models  $\neq$  Pythia implementation.



Can we deliver a better baseline?



... or make the Quark–Gluon Plasma redundant?

## Most importantly:

◇ New opportunities for non-perturbative QCD

- This talk: a microscopic, plasma free approach.
  1. Heavy ions in Pythia: MPIs from pp to AA.
    - ◇ The Angantyr model, cross sections & basic observables.
  2. Microscopic collectivity.
    - ◇ The shoving model & effects from hadronic rescatterings.
  3. Towards the EIC.

- Several partons taken from the PDF.
- Hard subcollisions with  $2 \rightarrow 2$  ME:

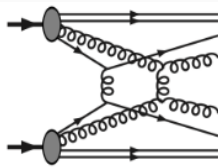


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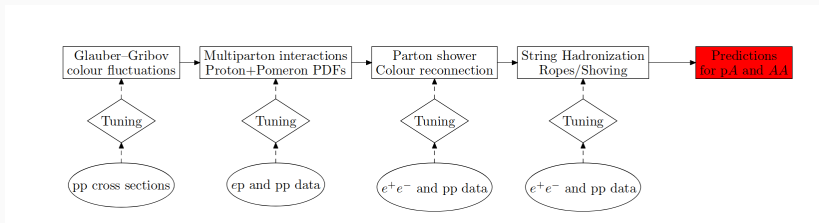
$$\frac{d\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2}}{dp_{\perp}^2} \propto \frac{\alpha_s^2(p_{\perp}^2)}{p_{\perp}^4} \rightarrow \frac{\alpha_s^2(p_{\perp}^2 + p_{\perp 0}^2)}{(p_{\perp}^2 + p_{\perp 0}^2)^2}.$$

- Momentum conservation and PDF scaling.
- Ordered emissions:  $p_{\perp 1} > p_{\perp 2} > p_{\perp 4} > \dots$  from:

$$\mathcal{P}(p_{\perp} = p_{\perp i}) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{nd}} \frac{d\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2}}{dp_{\perp}} \exp \left[ - \int_{p_{\perp}}^{p_{\perp i-1}} \frac{1}{\sigma_{nd}} \frac{d\sigma}{dp'_{\perp}} dp'_{\perp} \right]$$

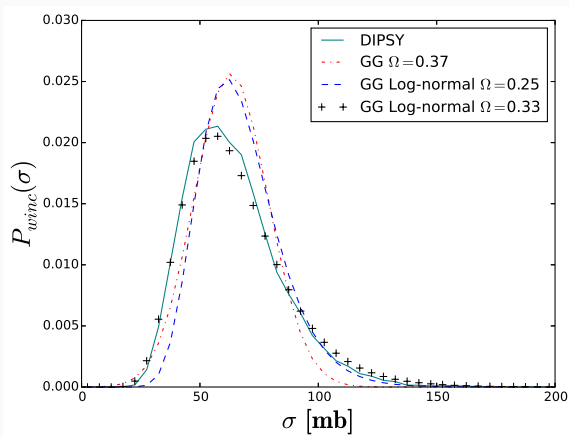
- Picture blurred by CR, but holds in general.

- Pythia MPI model extended to heavy ions since v. 8.235.
  1. Glauber geometry with Gribov colour fluctuations.
  2. Attention to diffractive excitation & forward production.
  3. Hadronize with Lund strings.



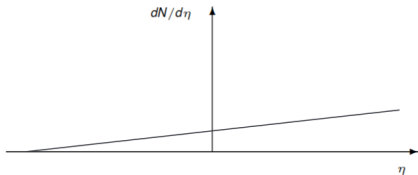
# Glauber–Gribov colour fluctuations

- Cross section has EbE colour fluctuations.
- Parametrized in Angantyr, fitted to pp (total, elastic, diffractive).



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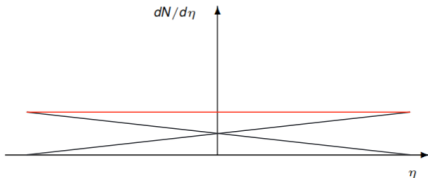


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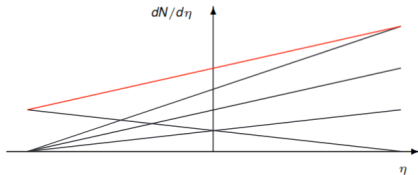


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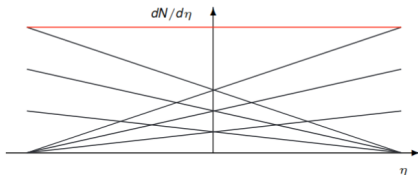
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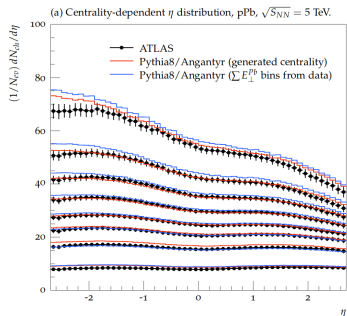
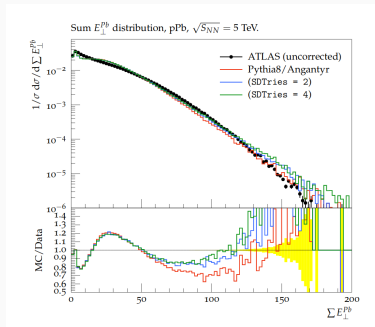


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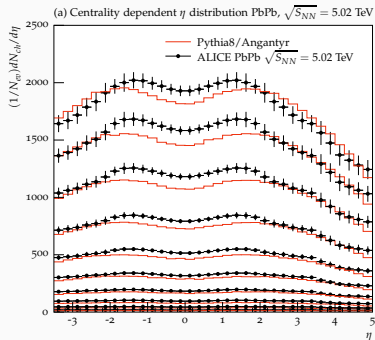
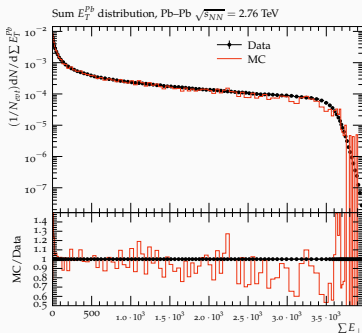
# Some results - pPb

- Centrality measures are delicate, but well reproduced.
- So is charged multiplicity.



# Basic quantities in AA

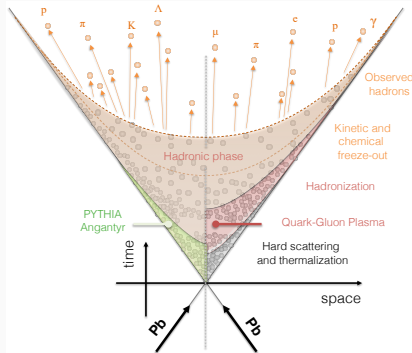
- Reduces to normal Pythia in pp, in pA in AA:
  1. Good reproduction of centrality measure.
  2. Particle density at mid-rapidity.



- Necessary baseline for any full model.

# A clean canvas!

- Angantyr is a foundation on which models for collective behaviour can be added.
- The rest of the talk: Microscopic collectivity & hadronic rescatterings w. URQMD.



(Figure: D. D. Chinellato)

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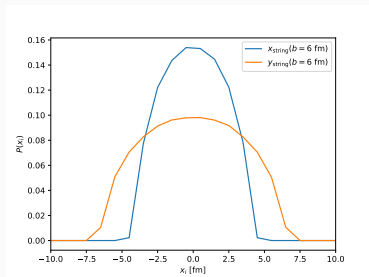
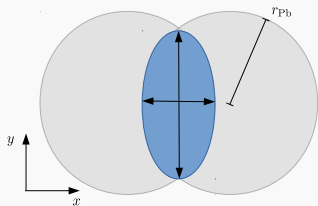
## Shoving: Why is AA so difficult?

- Formalism: See talk by Smita Chakraborty Tue. C1 III
- In pp two crude approximations were made:
  1. All strings straight and parallel to the beam axis.
  2. Pushes can be added as soft gluons.
- This gives problems in AA, which we are solving:
  - 👍 Beam axis → parallel frame (Talk by Smita Chakraborty).
  - 👍 Soft gluons → push on hadrons.
  - 👎 Straight strings → treatment of gluon kinks? (WiP).
- Enough for a toy run!



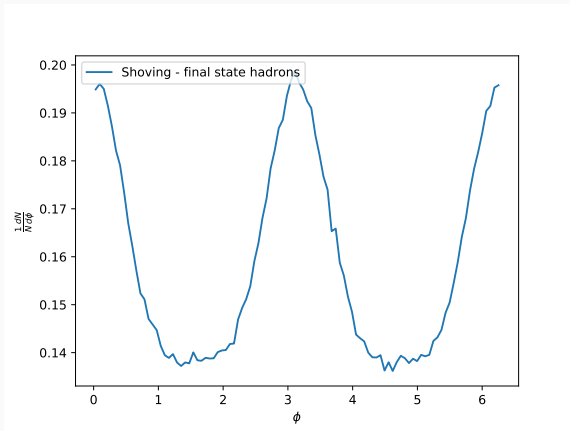
# A toy example

- Consider an elliptical overlap region filled with straight strings (no gluons).
- Same shoving parameters as for pp.



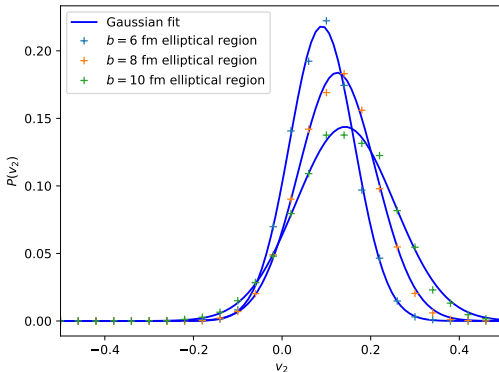
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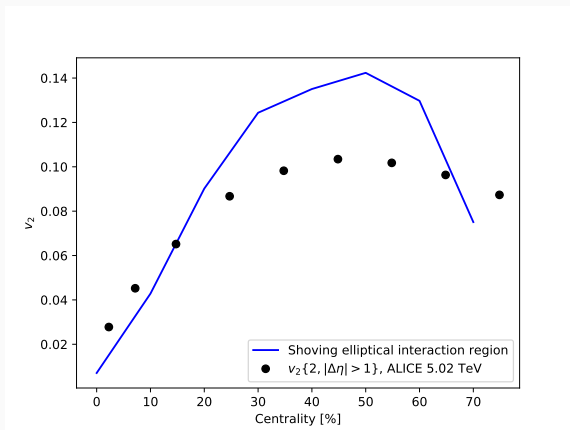
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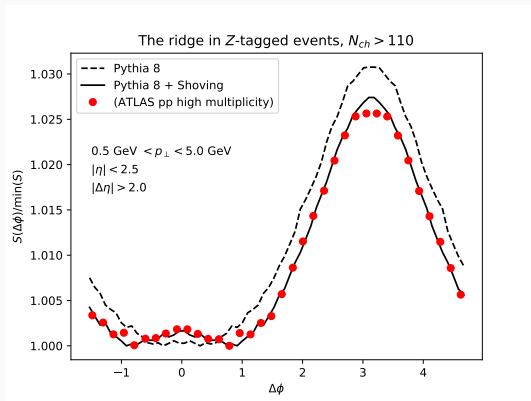


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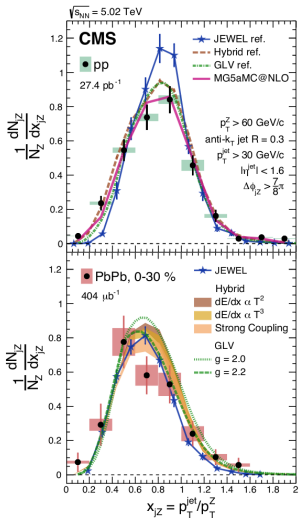
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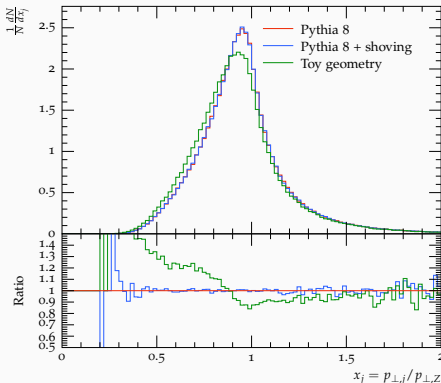


# Source of jet modifications? (CB: arXiv:1901.07447)

- Toy geometry: Let the jet hadronize inside a pp collision.
- Qualitative similarities with AA results (CMS: PRL 119 (2017) 8).

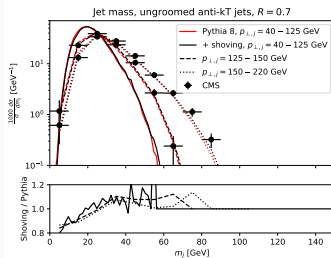
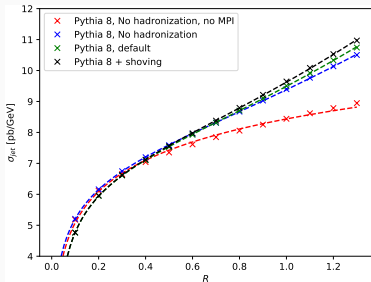


- AA possibility ahead!
- pp: modifications on jet edge.



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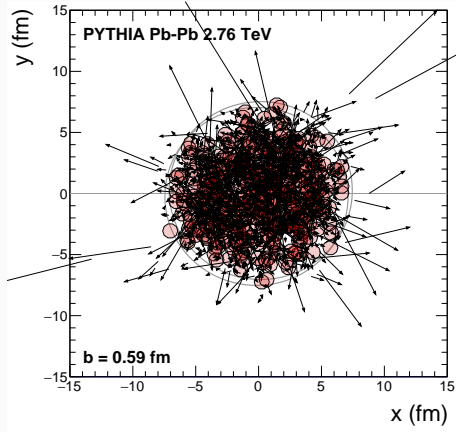
- Can be quantified: Same level as hadronization correction in  $\sigma_{jet}(R)$ .
- Perhaps measurable with better low- $p_{\perp}$  coverage?





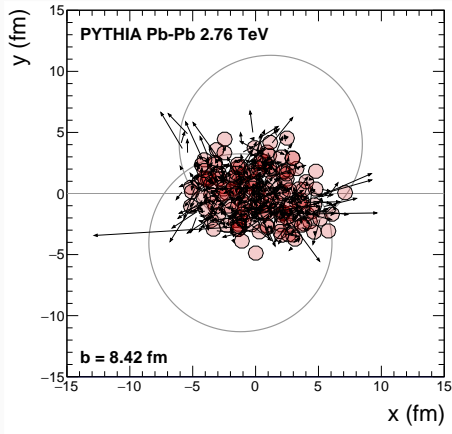
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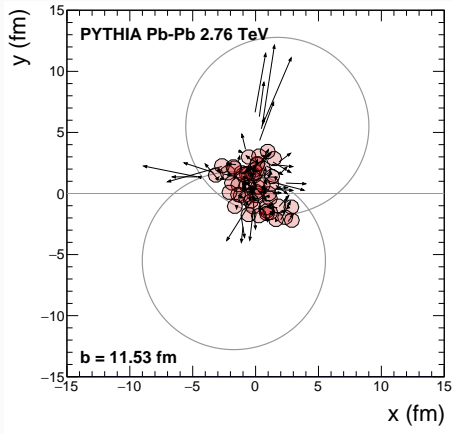
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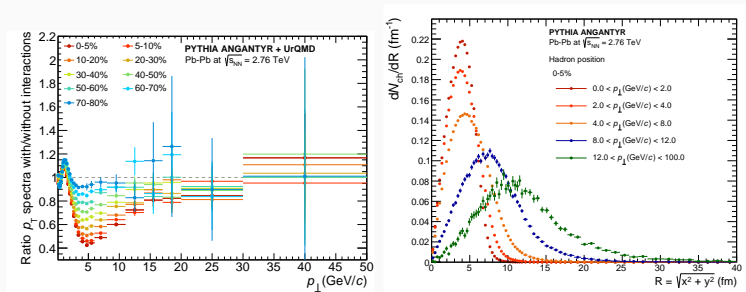
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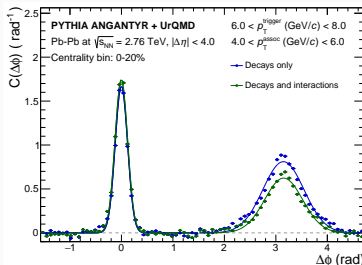
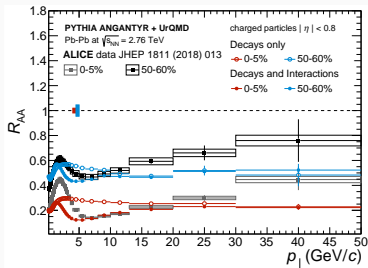
- Pythia will hadronize early, compared to eg. hydro.
- Denser state  $\rightarrow$  more hadronic rescatterings.
- Non-trivial dependence on hadron  $p_{\perp}$ .



- Not quantitative *description* of data, but improved baseline.
- Note: No free parameters for AA.

# Effect on observables

- Effect between  $3 < p_{\perp} < 15$  GeV quantified in  $R_{AA}$ .
- Two-particle correlations further dissect:
  1. Away side structure further suppressed. Hard hadron produced further towards the surface.
  2. Correct hadron vertices key!
  3. Effect too small to fully explain STAR measurements.

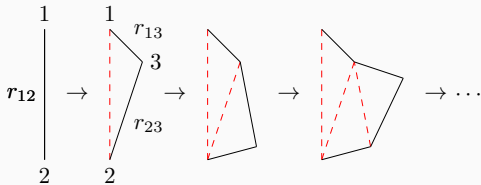


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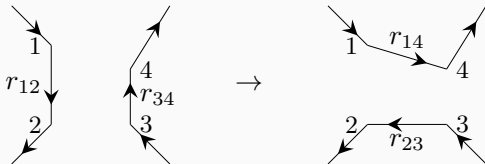


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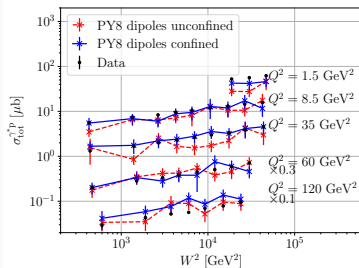
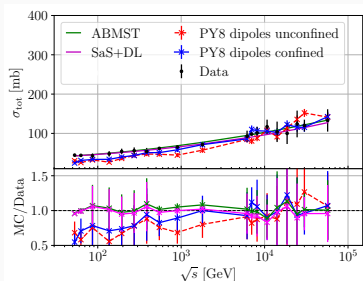
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# Everything fitted to cross sections

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- Unitarized dipole-dipole amplitude plus Good-Walker.

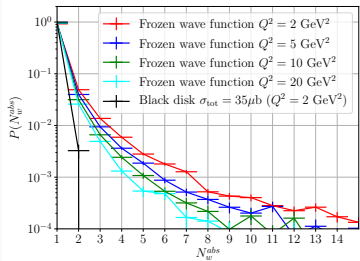
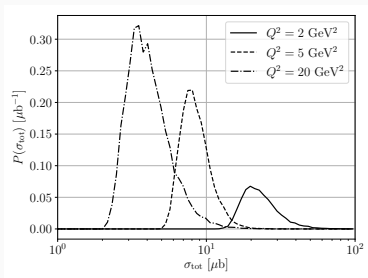
$$\mathcal{T}(\vec{b}) = 1 - \exp\left(-\sum f_{ij}\right), \sigma_{tot} = \int d^2\vec{b} 2\mathcal{T}(\vec{b})$$





# Glauber for $\gamma^*A$

- Correct fluctuations and freezing is necessary.
- Next steps: Sampling of photon flux (UPCs) and full integration with final states.



## Summary: How far can we get without QGP?



Angantyr offers an improved Pythia "baseline".



Non-QGP effects leave less room for a thermalised plasma.

- A basic heavy ion model, wo. collective effects:
  - ◇ good description of multiplicity and centrality in pA and AA.
  - ◇ EIC underlying events are coming.
- Microscopic collectivity.
  - ◇ extending string description with ropes & **shoving**.
  - ◇ made for flow, but extends dynamically to jet effects.
  - ◇ hadronic rescattering effects adds similar effects: unified implementation desirable.

*Thank you for the invitation!*

*Thank you organizing an online conference!*

## Some additional material

## Color reconnection? What's that?

- Many partonic subcollisions  $\Rightarrow$  Many hadronizing strings.
- But!  $N_c = 3$ , not  $N_c = \infty$  gives interactions.
- Easy to merge low- $p_{\perp}$  systems, hard to merge two hard- $p_{\perp}$ .

$$P_{\text{merge}} = \frac{(\gamma p_{\perp 0})^2}{(\gamma p_{\perp 0})^2 + p_{\perp}^2}$$

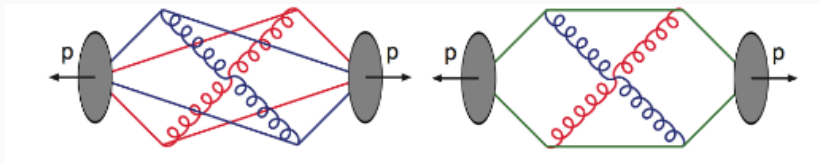


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- Actual merging by minimization of "potential energy":

$$\lambda = \sum_{\text{dipoles}} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}E/m_0)$$

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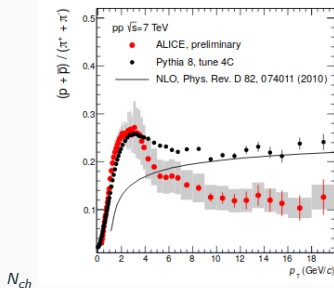
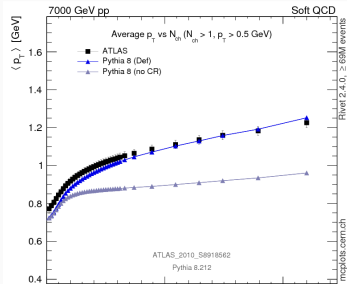
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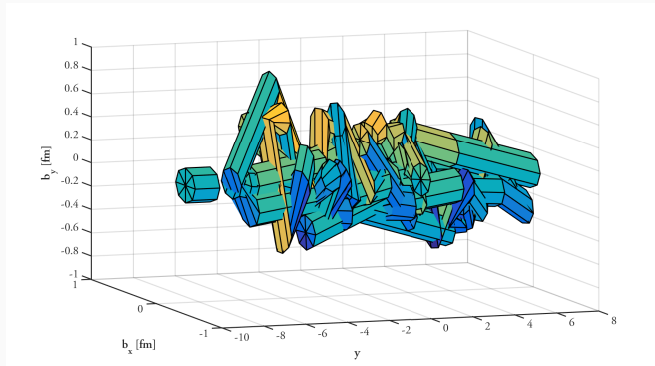
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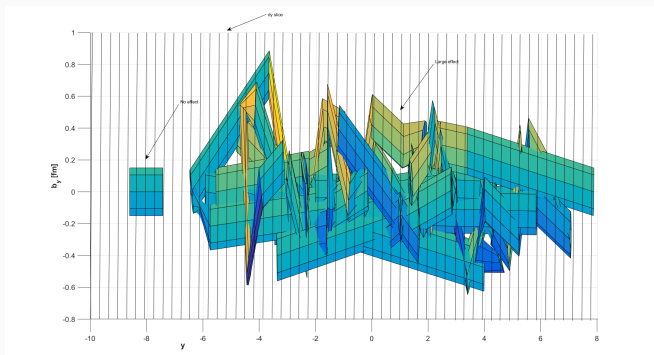
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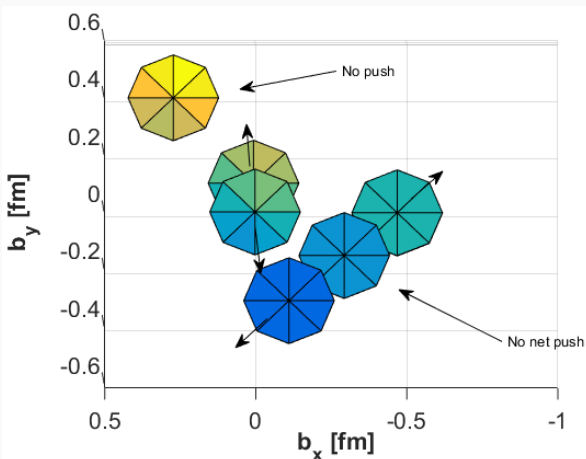
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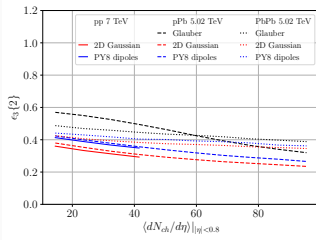
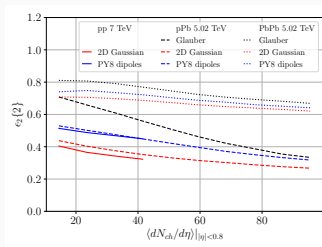
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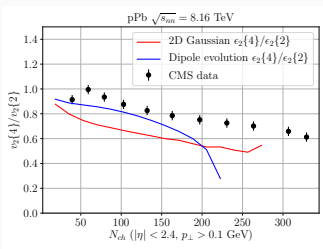
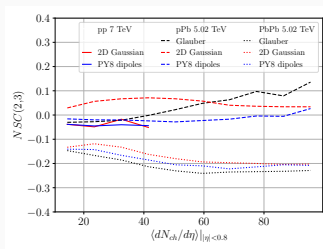
# Geometry in pp, pA and AA

- Assuming  $\epsilon_{2,3} \propto v_{2,3}$ .
- Dipole model:  $\epsilon_{2,3}$  equal for pp and pPb.



# Flow fluctuations: Looking inside

- Flow fluctuations and normalized symmetric cumulants.
- Best discrimination in pPb.
- Dipole evolution  $\rightarrow$  negative  $NSC(2,3)$  in pPb.



- *Important to develop realistic initial states.*
- *Point stands also for hydro.*

# Results – flow

- Rescattering produces correlations long-range in  $\eta$  (the double ridge).
- Previously seen, but not at these energies, with general purpose MC input (Bleicher *et al.* arXiv:nucl-th/0602009).

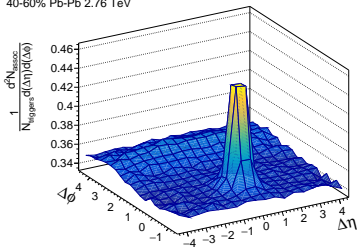
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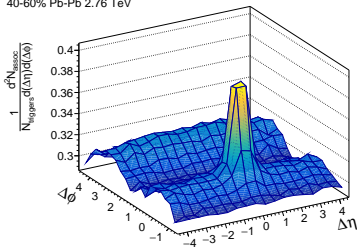
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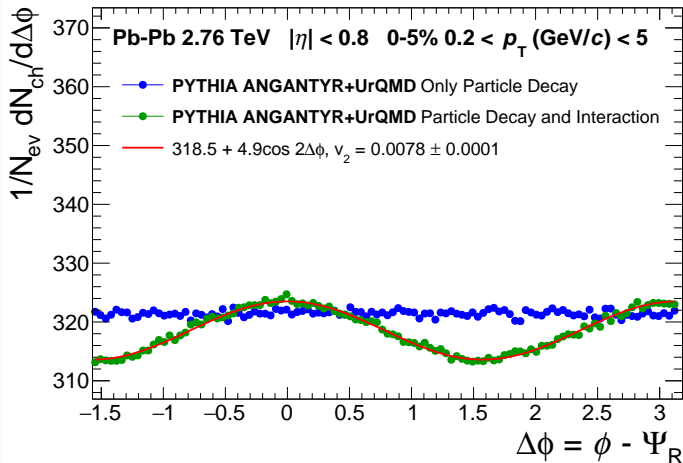
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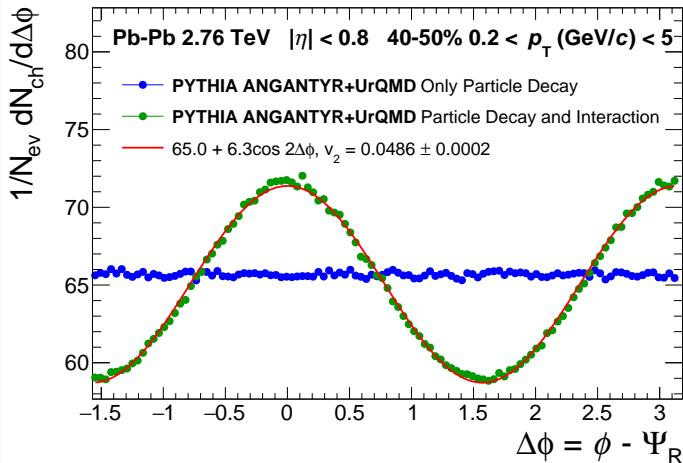
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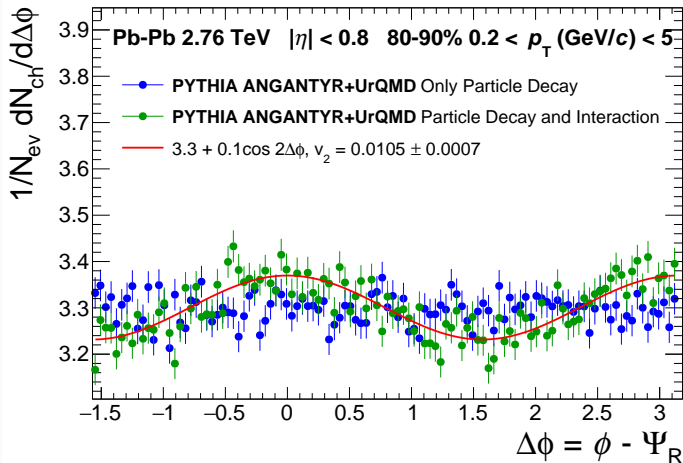
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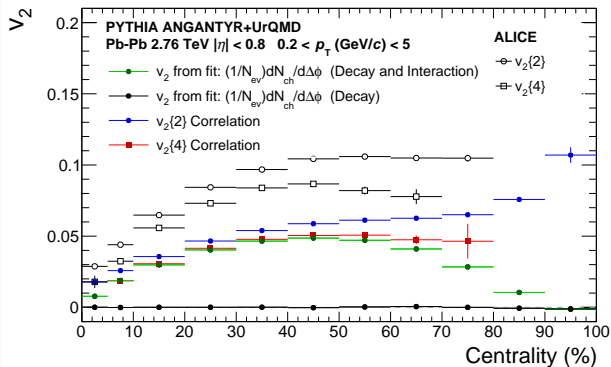
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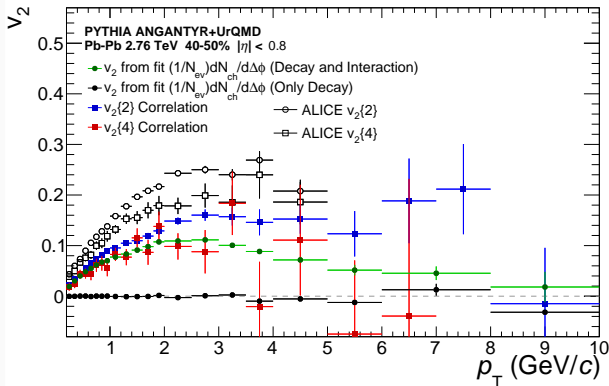
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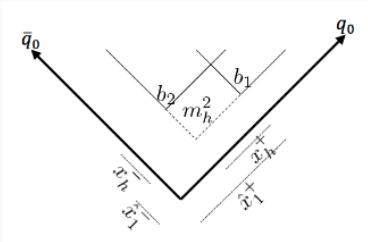
- Similar conclusion from  $v_2(p_\perp)$

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$$p_{q_0/\bar{q}_0} = \left( \frac{E_{cm}}{2} - \kappa t, 0, 0, \pm 1 \right)$$

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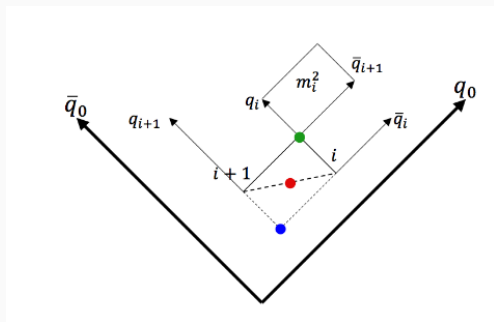
- ... which gives breakup vertices in momentum picture.

# Hadron vertex positions (Ferrerres-Solé & Sjöstrand: 1808.04619)

- Translate to space-time breakup vertices through string EOM.

$$v_i = \frac{\hat{x}_i^+ p^+ + \hat{x}_i^- p^-}{\kappa}$$

- Hadron located between vertices:  $v_i^h = \frac{v_i + v_{i+1}}{2} \left( \pm \frac{p_h}{2\kappa} \right)$



- Formalism also handles complex topologies.

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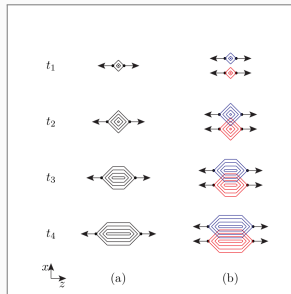
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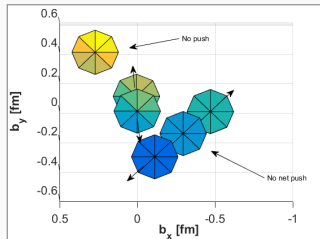
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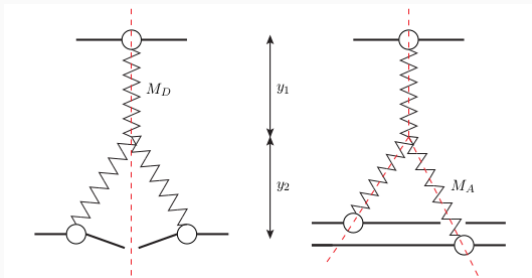
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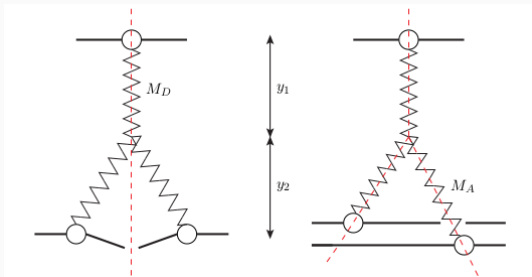
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**Diagram weight proportional to  $(1 + \Delta = \alpha_{\mathbb{P}}(0))$**

$$\frac{ds}{s^{(1-2\Delta)}} \frac{dM_D^2}{(M_D^2)^{(1+\Delta)}} \text{ diffractive excitation,}$$

$$\frac{ds}{s^{(1-\Delta)}} \frac{dM_A^2}{(M_A^2)^{(1-\Delta)}} \text{ secondary absorption.}$$

- Results in fluctuating  $\gamma^*$ -nucleon absorptive cross section.

## Wounded nucleon cross section gets frozen

1st:

$$\int dz \int d^2\vec{r} (|\psi_L(z, \vec{r})|^2 + |\psi_T(z, \vec{r})|^2) (2\langle T(\vec{b}) \rangle_{t,p} - \langle \langle T(\vec{b}) \rangle_t^2 \rangle_p).$$

Further:

$$2\langle T(\vec{b}) \rangle_{t,p} - \langle \langle T(\vec{b}) \rangle_t^2 \rangle_p,$$

- First ingredient of "soft QCD" EIC generator.