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# Outline

- ▶ Angantyr
- ▶ Strings
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  - ▶ in a dense system
- ▶ String interactions: Gleipnir
  - ▶ Colour reconnections
  - ▶ String repulsion
  - ▶ Rope hadronisation



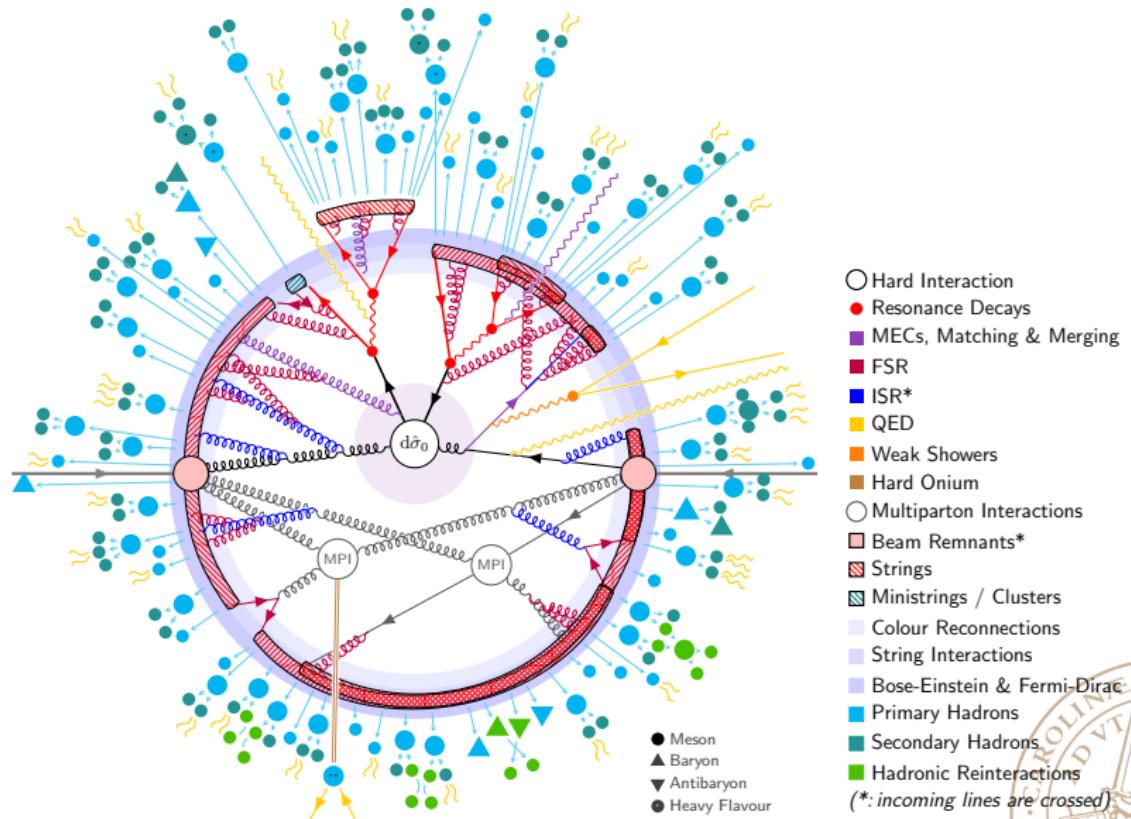
# Angantyr: Heavy Ions in PYTHIA8

PYTHIA8 describes a wide range of pp measurements from the LHC and elsewhere.

Can we describe Heavy Ion Collisions by just stacking a bunch of pp events on top of each other?

[arXiv:1607.04434, arXiv:1806.10820]



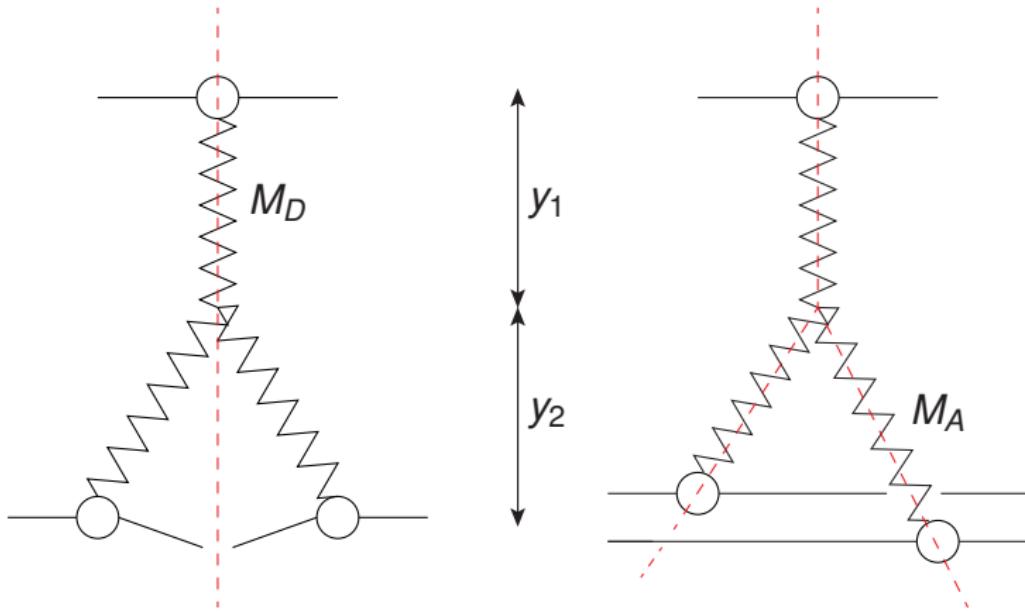




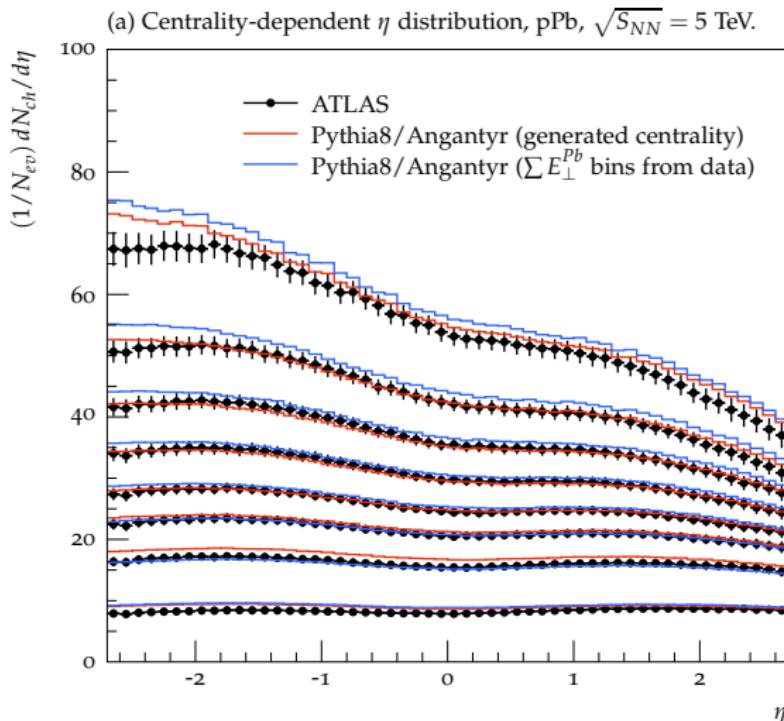
- ▶ Glauber calculation including Glauber–Gribov-like fluctuations (which nucleon interacts with which *and how*)
- ▶ Special treatment of multiple inelastic non-diffractive scattering, giving *nuclear shadowing*
- ▶ Standard PYTHIA8 Multi-parton interactions (including *saturation* and showers)
- ▶ Standard PYTHIA8 *String fragmentation*



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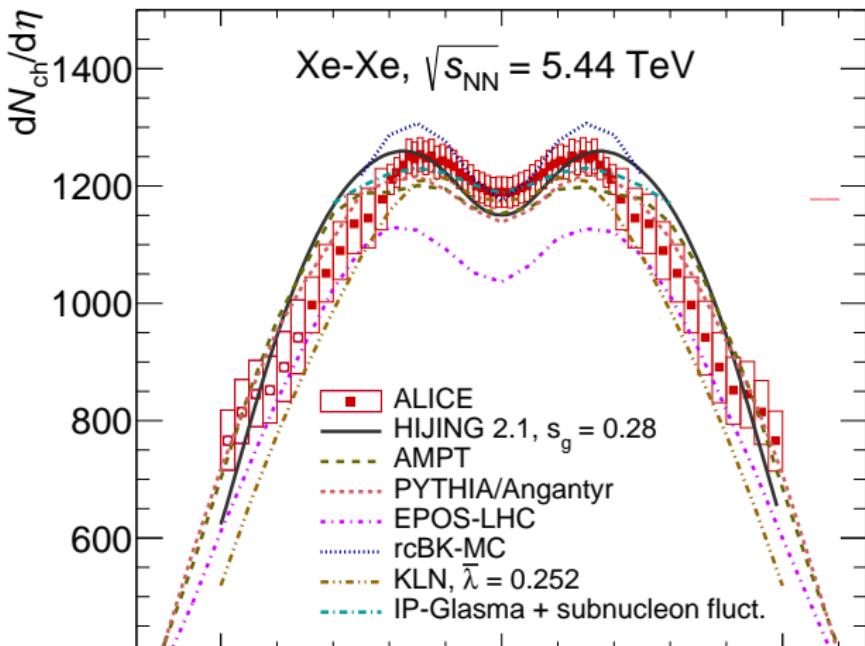
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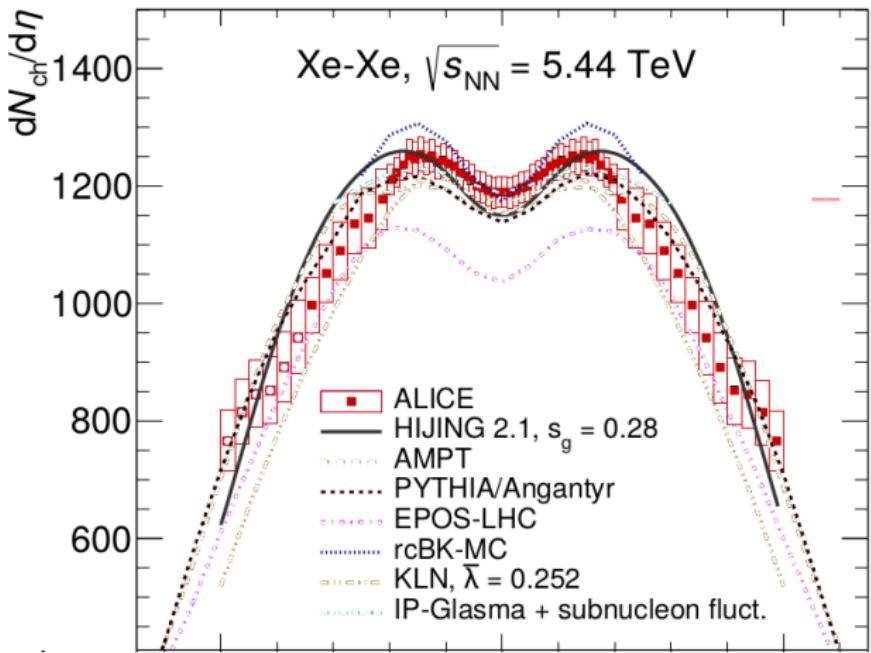
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# String fragmentation

Formally based on one-dimensional, massless, relativistic strings.

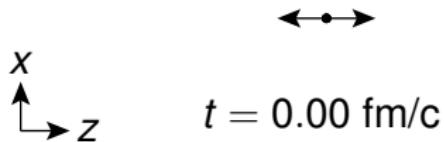
- ▶  $V(r) \propto r$  gives a constant string tension  
 $\kappa \sim 1 \text{ GeV/fm}$
- ▶ The string breaks by  $q\bar{q}$  pairs tunnelling out of the vacuum  
 $P \propto \exp(\pi(m_q^2 + k_\perp^2)/\kappa)$
- ▶ Strings are stretched between a quark and an anti-quark with gluons in between acting as kinks.
- ▶ Hadrons are chopped off from the ends with the Lund symmetric fragmentation function  
 $f(z) \propto \frac{(1-z)^a}{z} e^{-bm_\perp^2/z}$



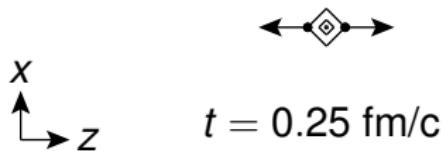
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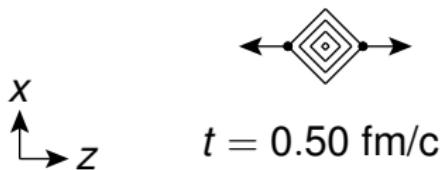
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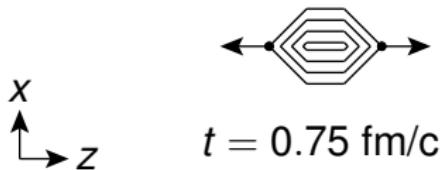
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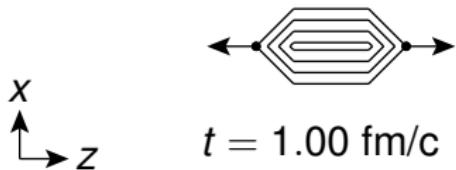
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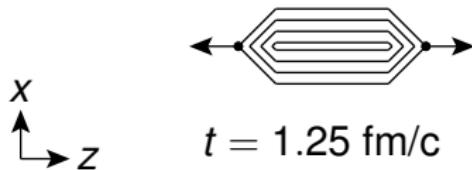
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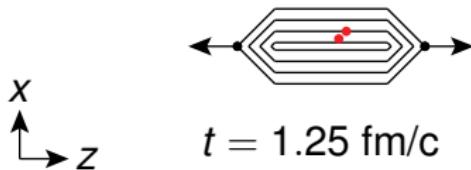
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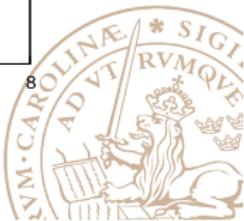
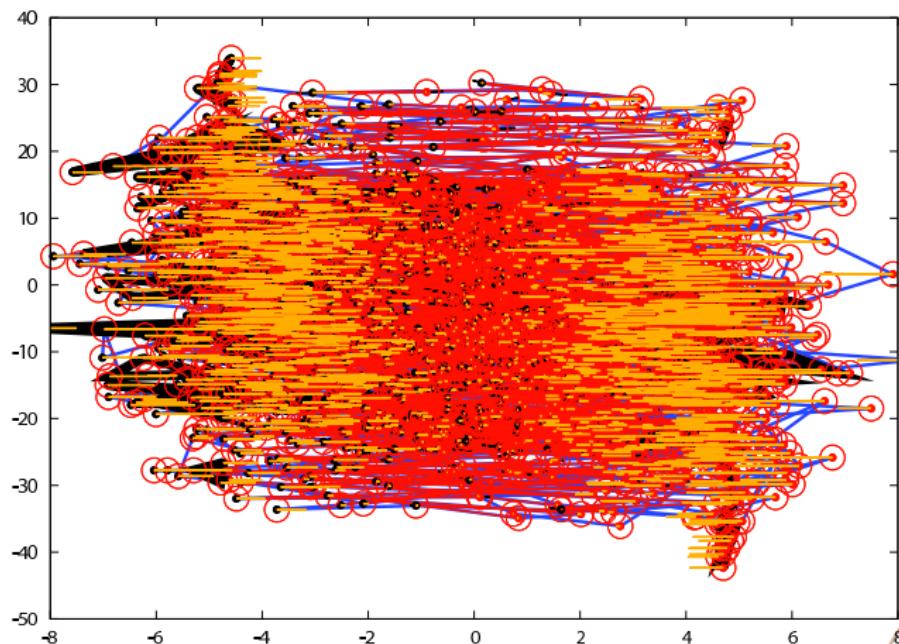
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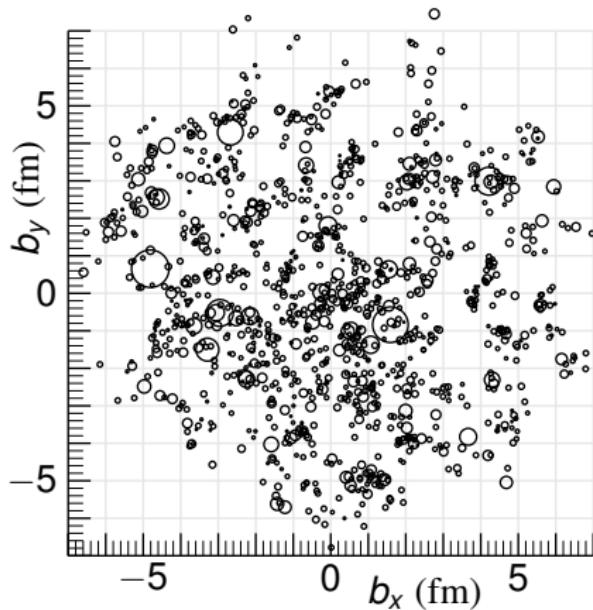
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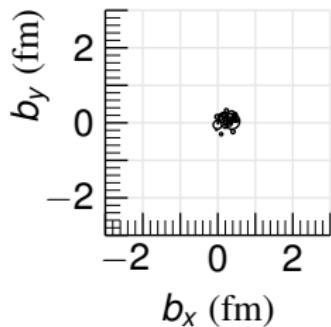
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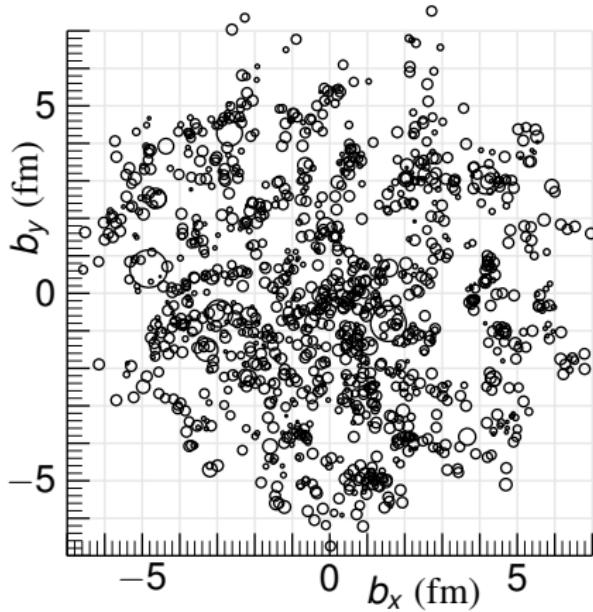
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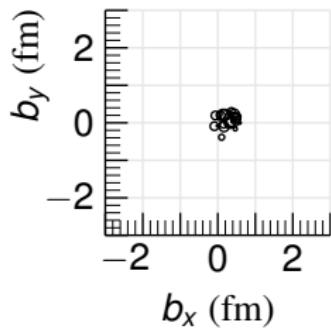
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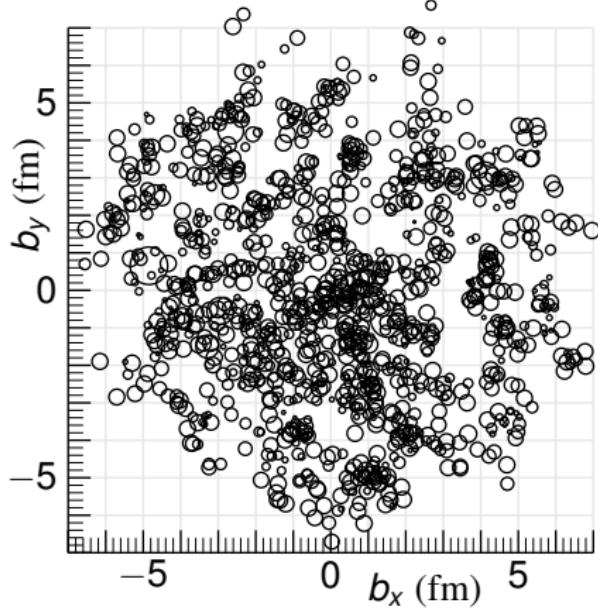
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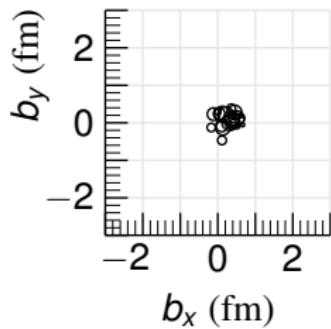
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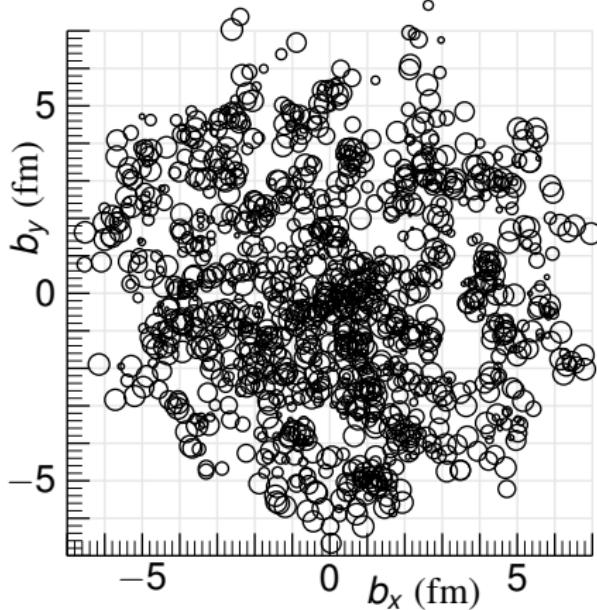
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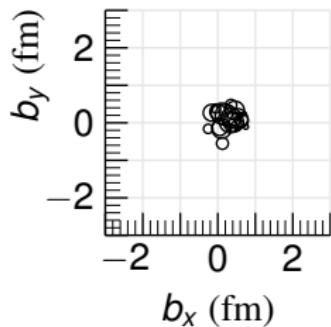
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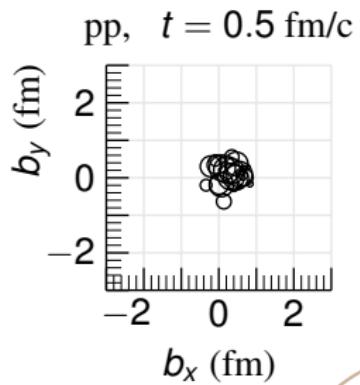
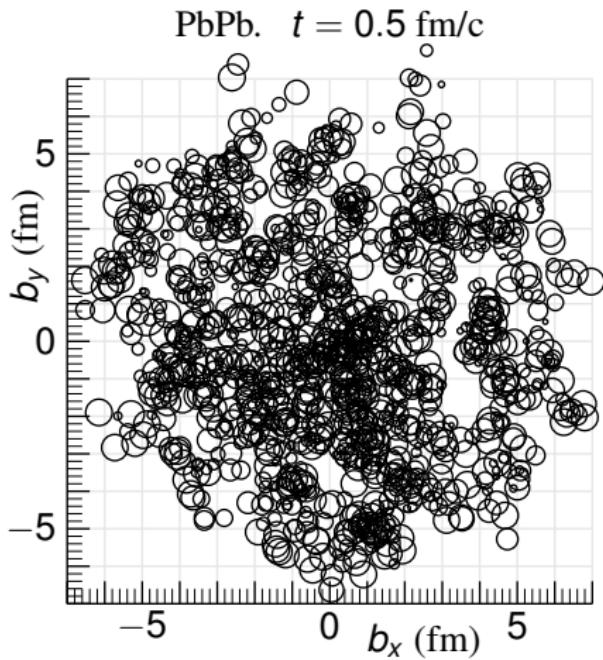


PbPb.  $t = 0.4$  fm/c



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## String repulsion: Shoving

The string endpoints (quarks and gluons) carry longitudinal momentum, but the string itself cannot.

The shoving between parallel strings gives a transverse push according to

$$\frac{dp_{\perp}}{dt dz} = \frac{g\kappa\delta_{\perp}(t)}{R^2} \exp\left(-\frac{\delta_{\perp}^2(t)}{4R^2}\right).$$

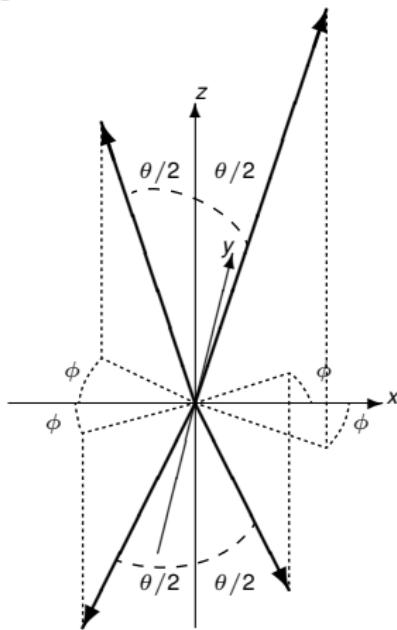
This push must be transverse to both string pieces.

There is no frame where two random string pieces are parallel.

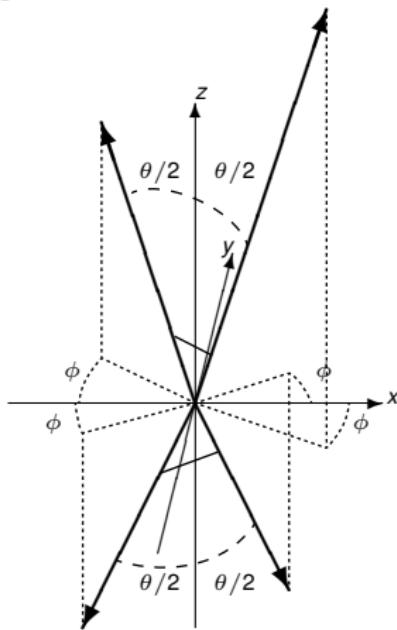
But there is always a frame where they lie in parallel planes at any given time.



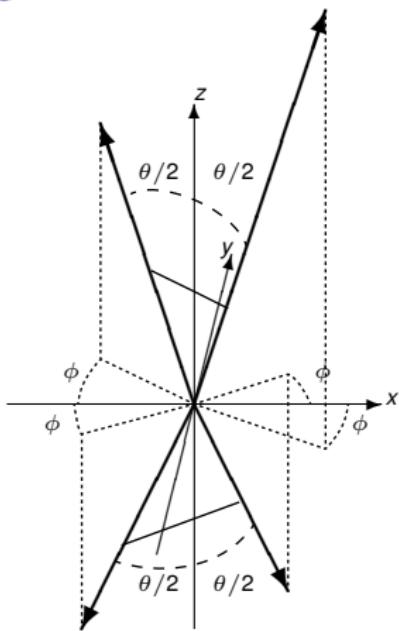
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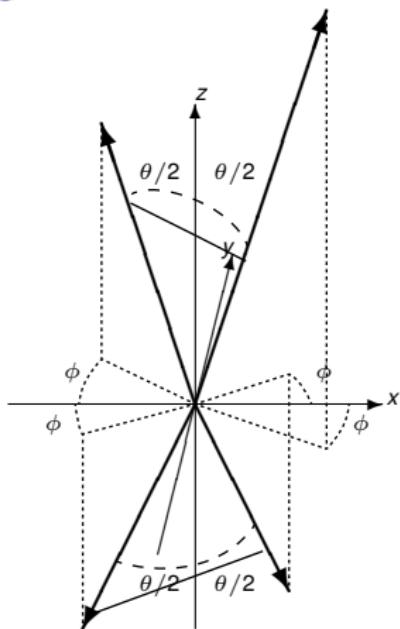
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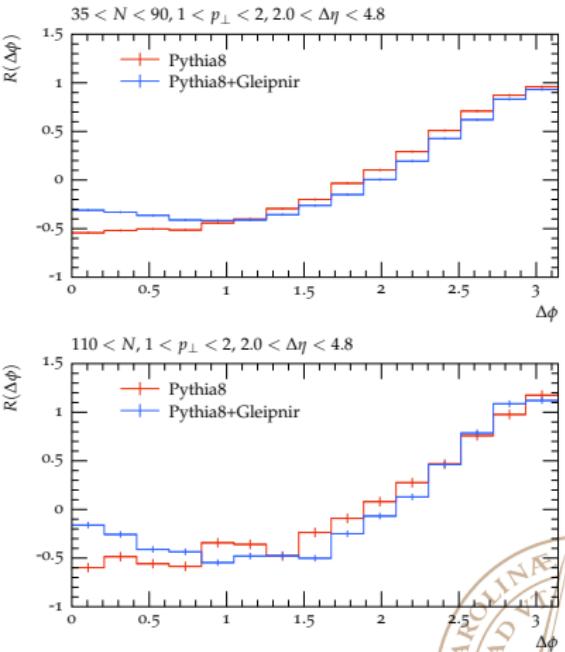
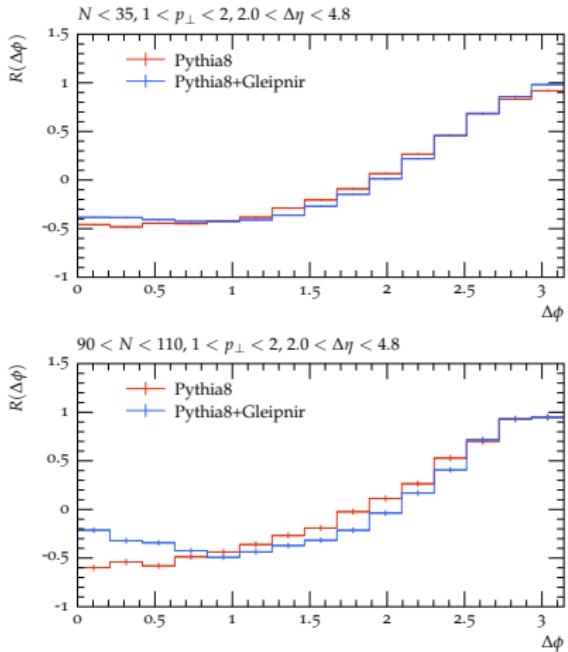
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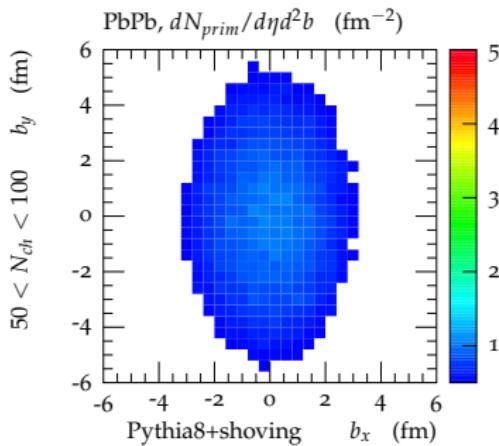
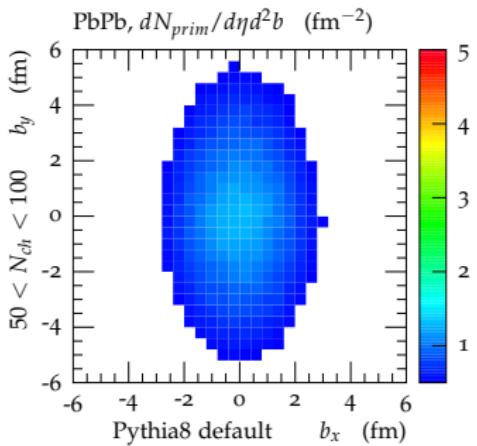


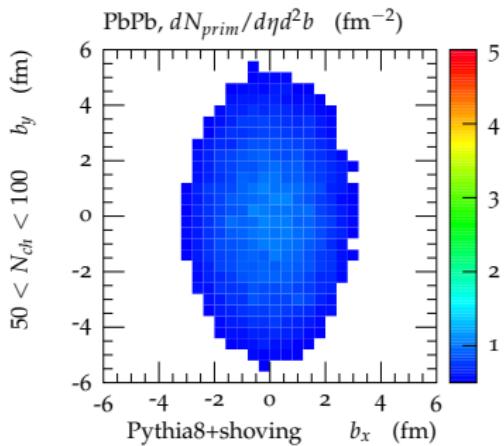
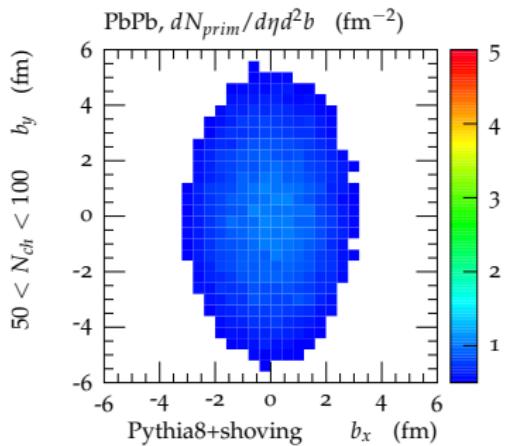
- ▶ Use (simplified) space-time information of all partons.
- ▶ Transform to parallel frame for every pair of string pieces.
- ▶ Calculate and collect small nudges, ordered in time.
- ▶ Apply the nudges to the produced primary hadrons (both position and momenta).



# We have a ridge!







# Rope hadronisation

Overlapping strings will give a higher string tension.

From lattice calculations  $\kappa \propto C_2$ .

In a rope with  $p$  parallel and  $q$  anti-parallel, completely overlapping strings we have

$$\kappa_{\{p,q\}} = \frac{1}{4} \left( p^2 + pq + q^2 + 3p + 3q \right) \kappa_{\{1,0\}}$$

The relative probability to produce a strange quark in a break-up, compared to a light quark is

$$P \propto \exp(\pi(m_s^2 - m_d^2)/\kappa_{\text{eff}}),$$

where  $\kappa_{\text{eff}} = \kappa_{\{p,q\}} - \kappa_{\{p-1,q\}}$

is the *reduction* of the string tension.



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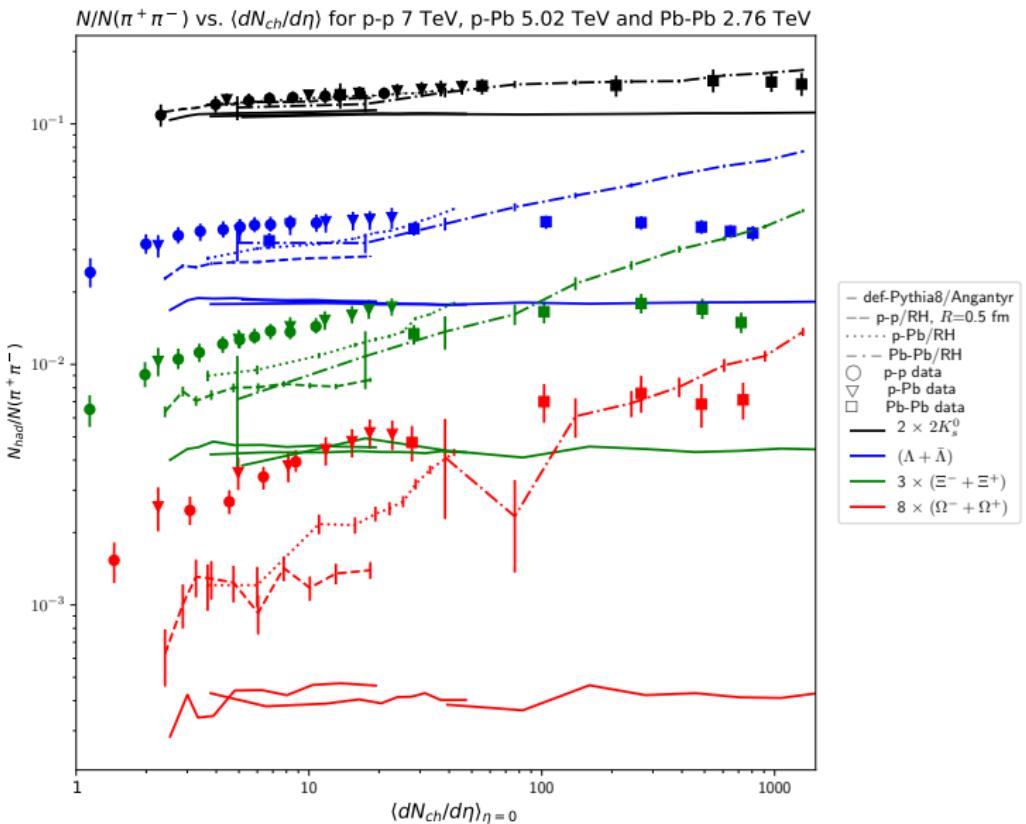


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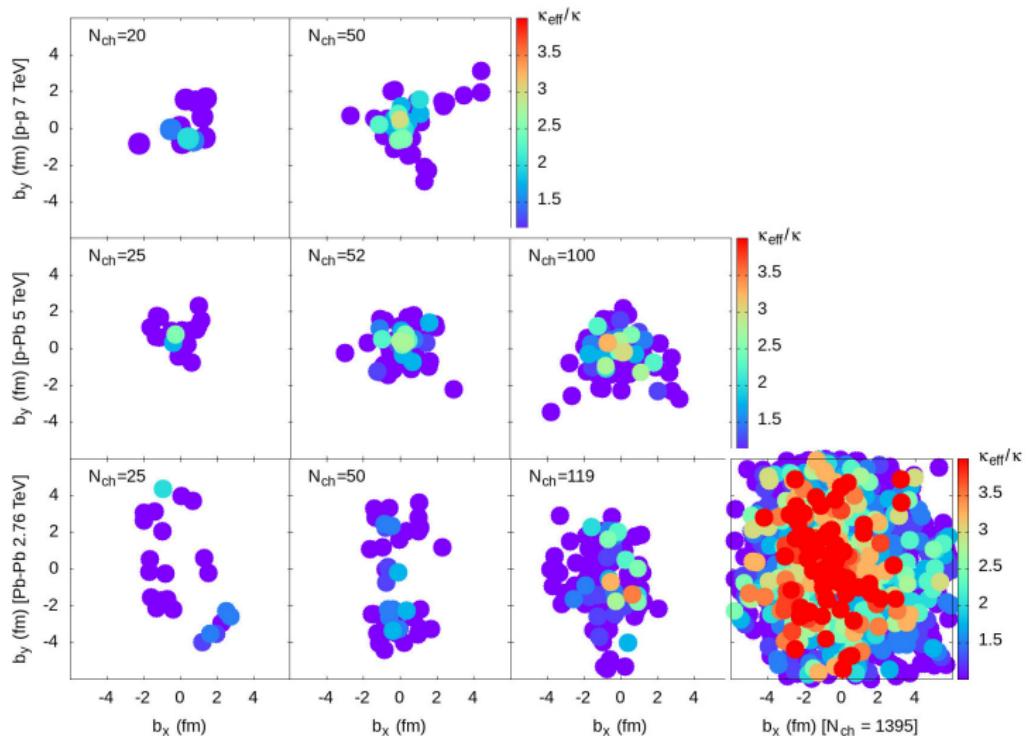
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String Interactions

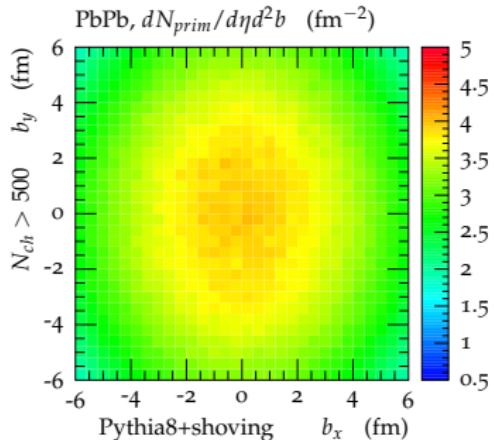
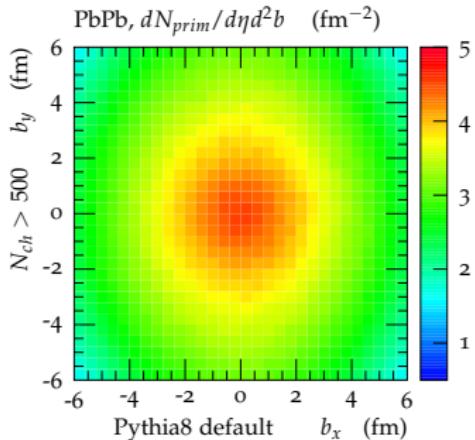


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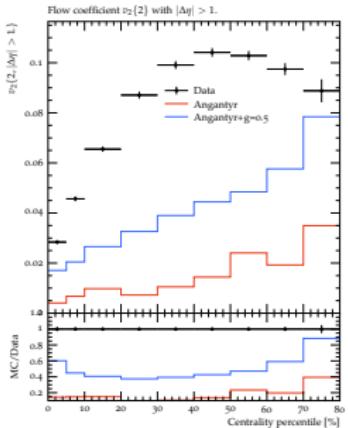
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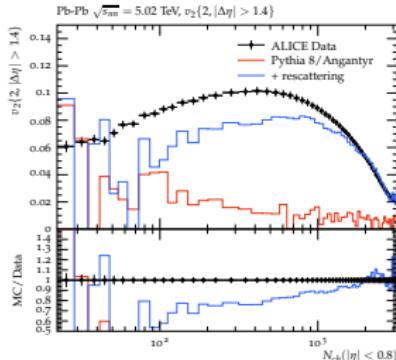
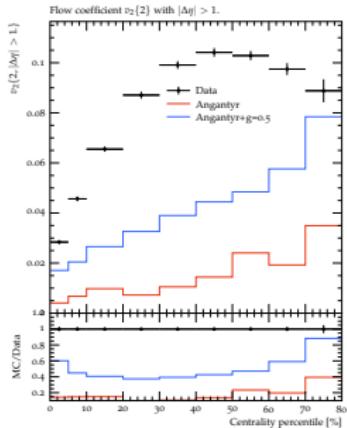


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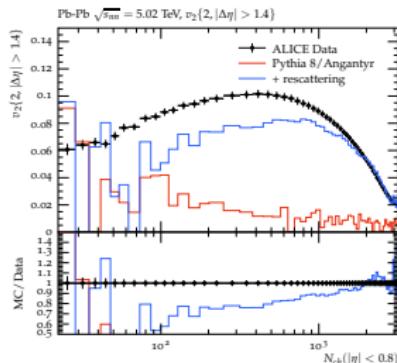
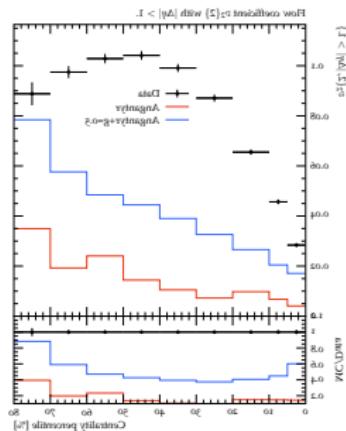
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# Outlook

- ▶ **Angantyr** gives a reasonable description of inclusive particle production of (pp), pA and AA.
- ▶ Successfully extrapolates the pp dynamics of PYTHIA8 via pA to AA without introducing QGP dynamics.
- ▶ PYTHIA8/Angantyr brings general purpose event generators to heavy ion physics.
- ▶ Collective behaviour can be introduced via the **Gleipnir** models (Swing, Shoving, Ropes) as well as from hadronic rescattering.
- ▶ So far we have a qualitative description, more work is needed to get things properly working together and to compare to data.

# Thanks!



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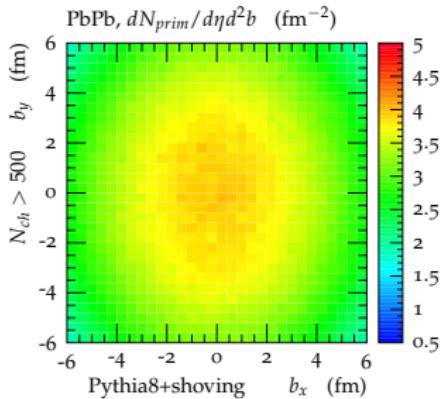
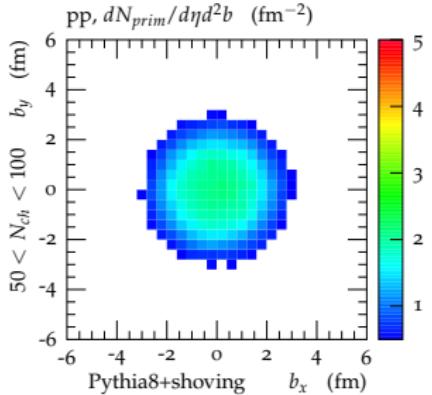
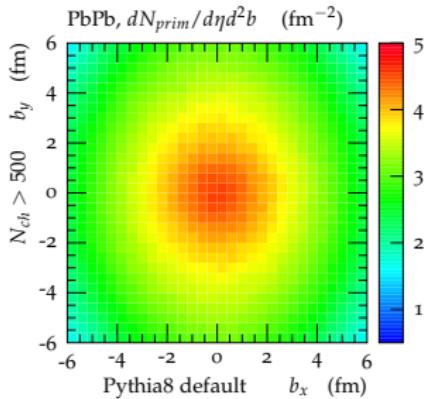
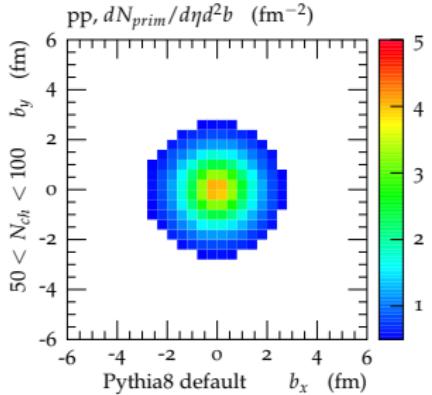
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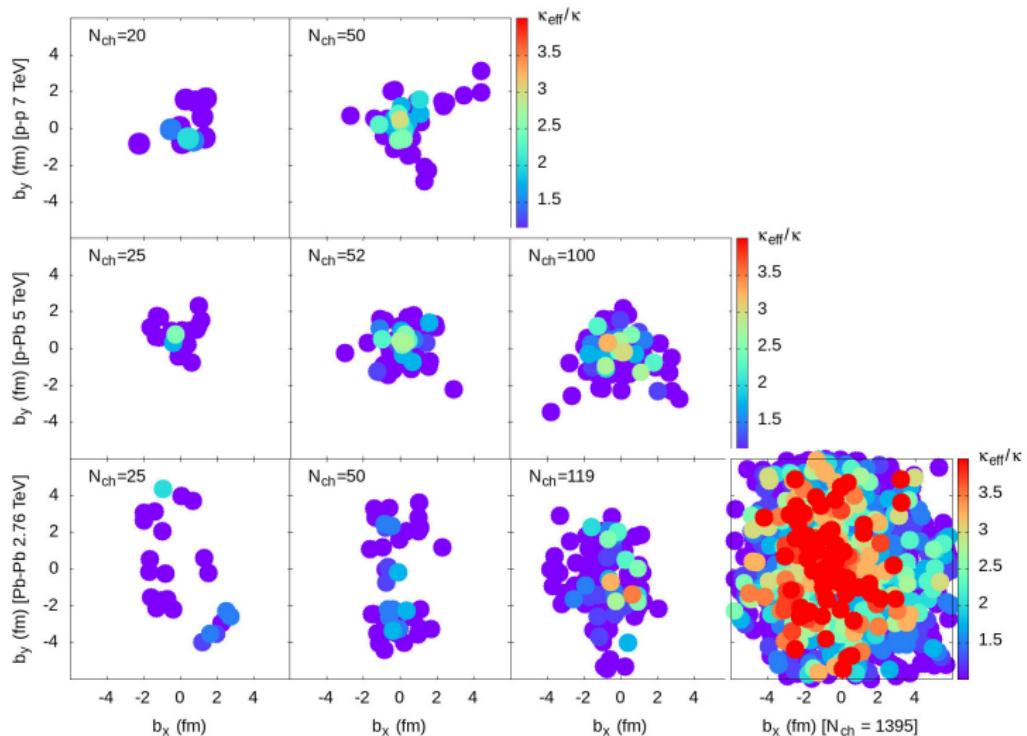
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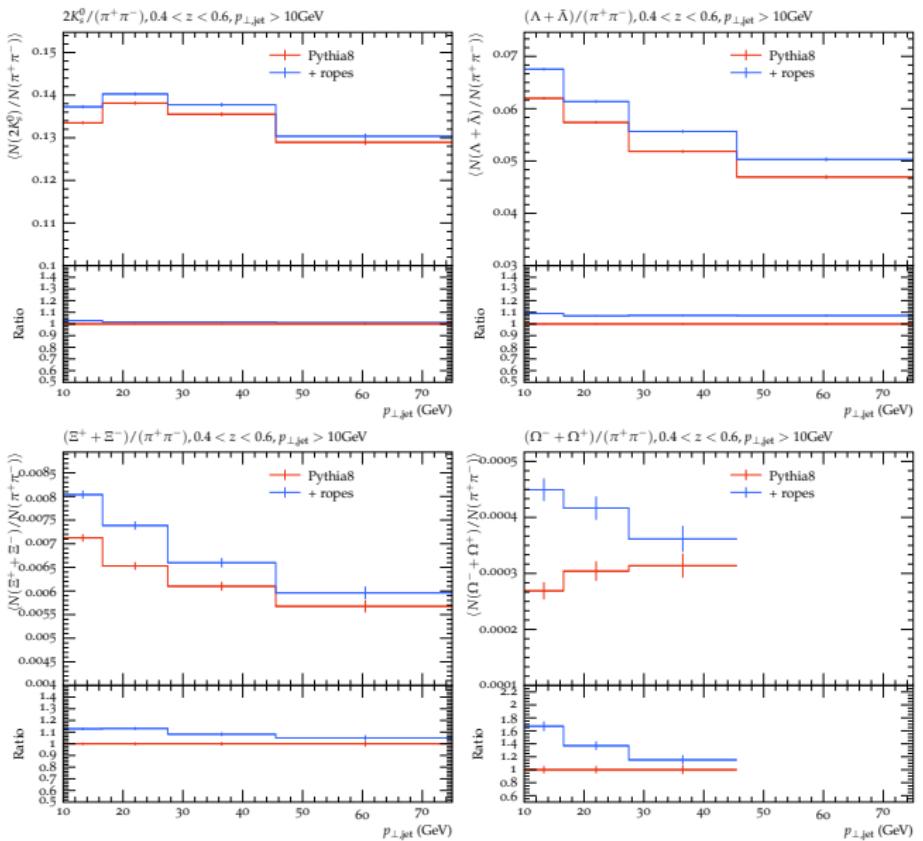
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