

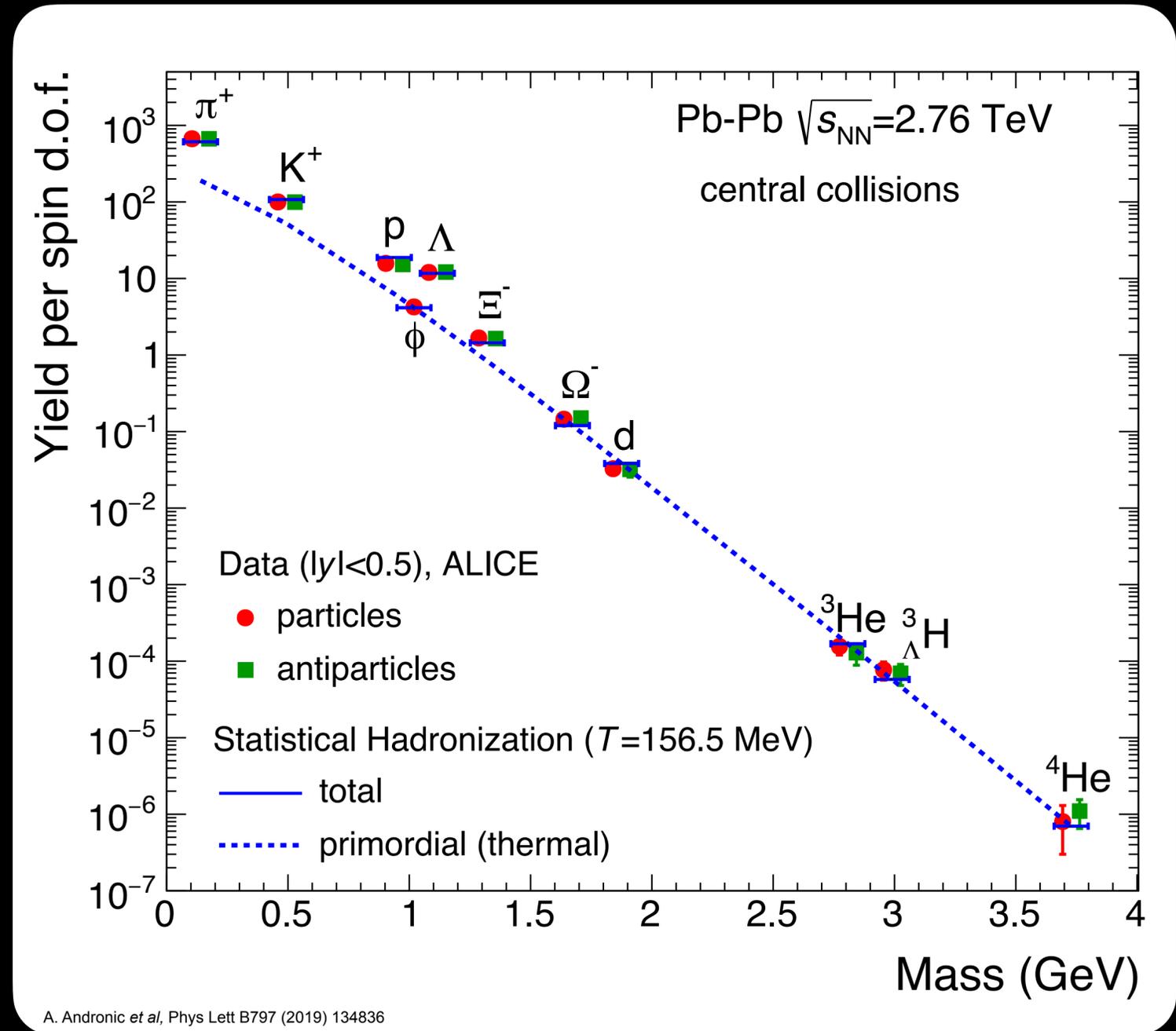
# The multiple-charm hierarchy in the statistical hadronization model

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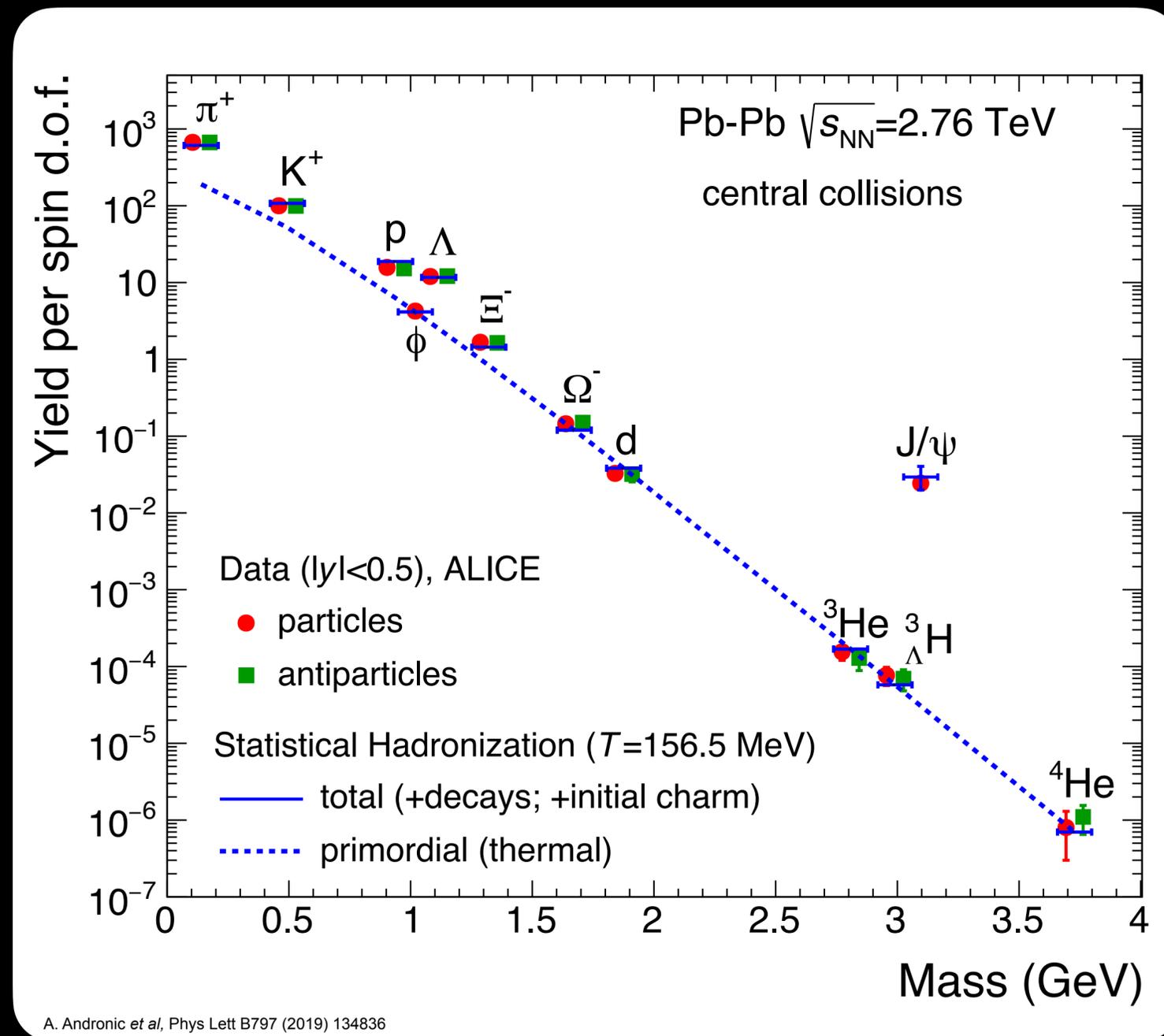
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• Charm quark mass  $\gg T_{pc} \approx 156$  MeV, thermal production strongly suppressed

⇒ c quarks predominantly produced in initial hard scatterings  
 ⇒  $J/\psi$  yield 900 times larger w.r.t. thermal!



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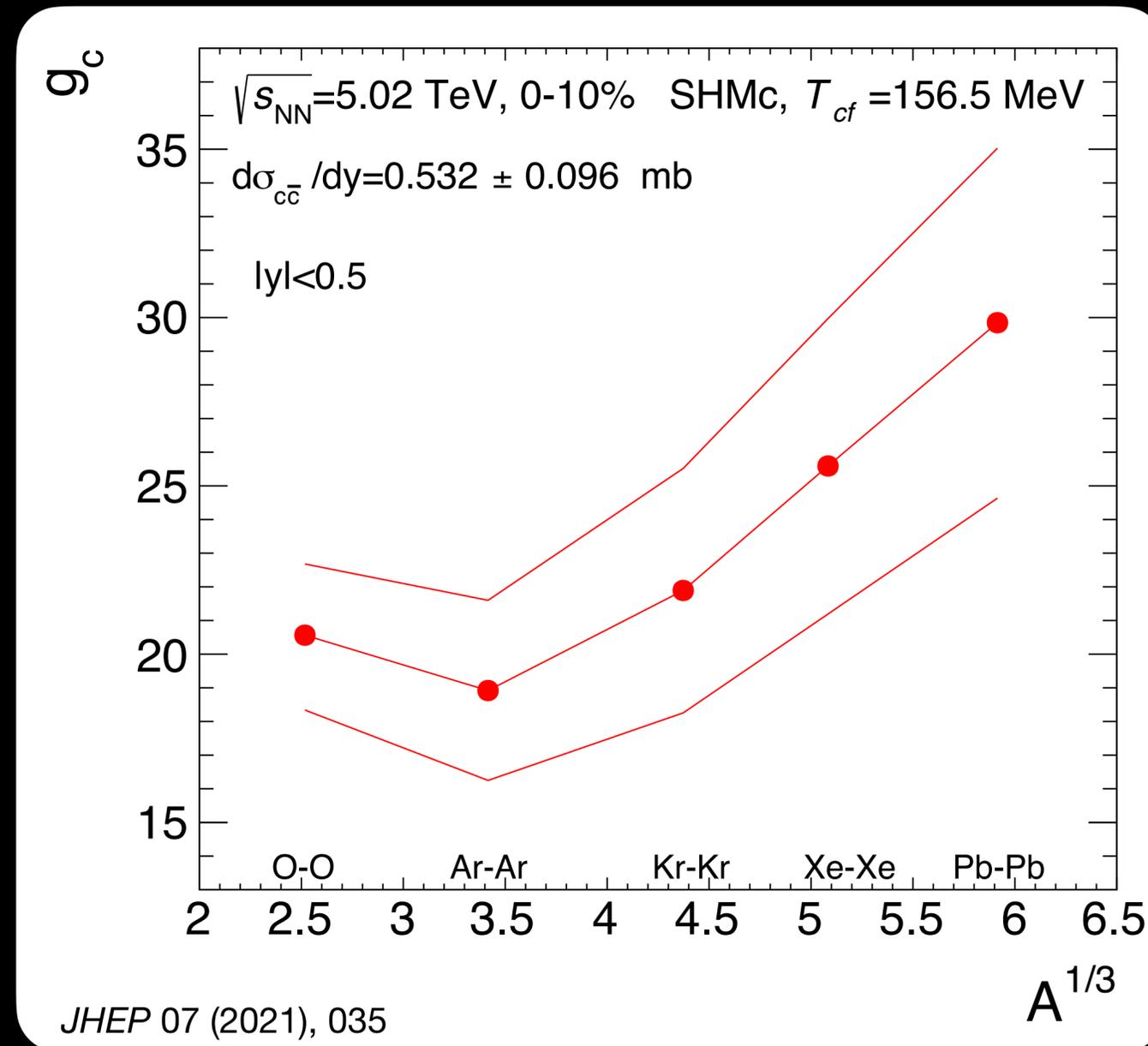
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⇒ In central Pb–Pb collisions at the LHC and at mid rapidity,  $g_c \approx 30$

⇒ Enhancement of single-charmed hadrons by a factor 30 and for double-charmed hadrons by a factor 900!



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⇒ Perturbative “pp-like” scatterings between nucleons in the corona of colliding nuclei

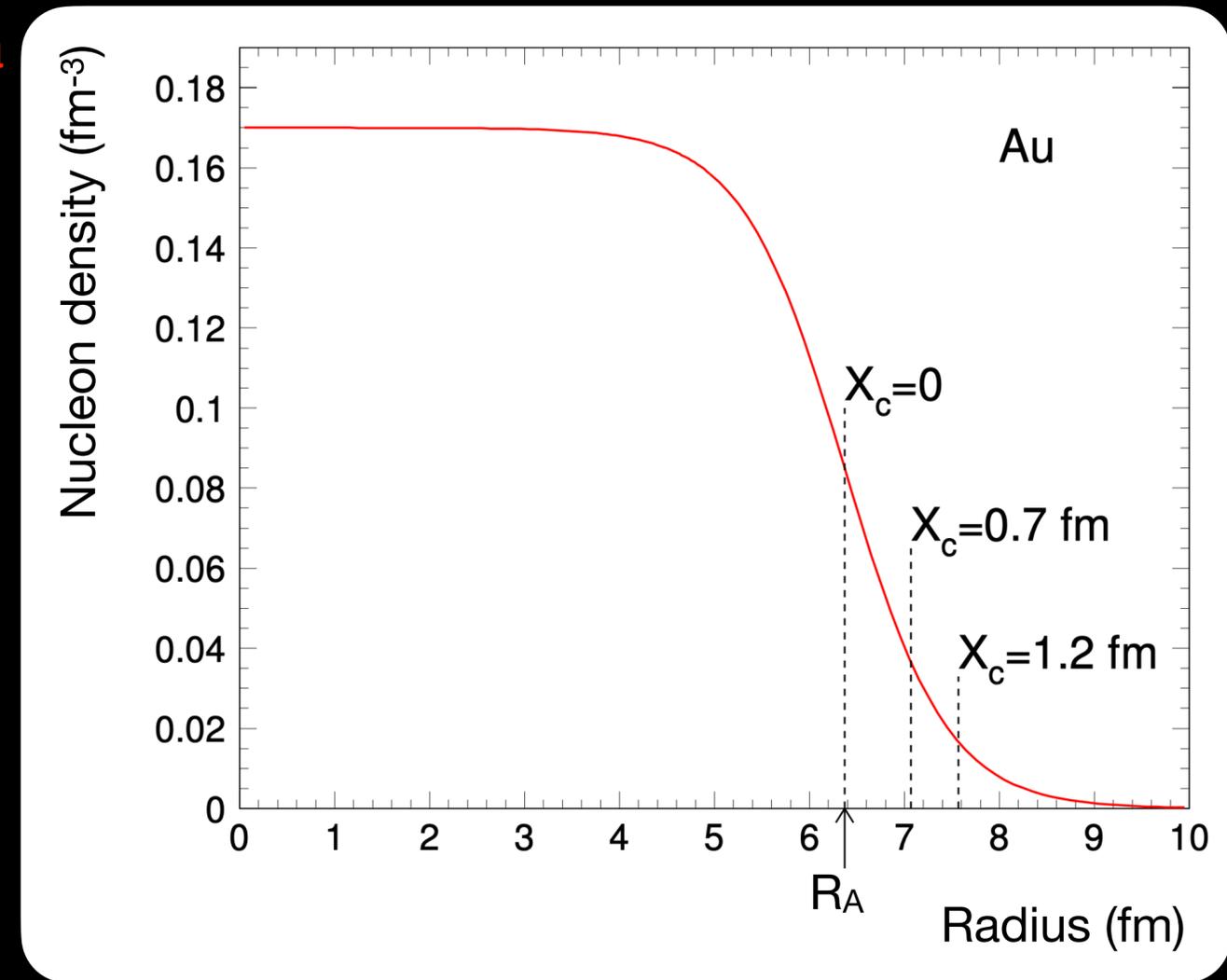
⇒ Estimated using cross section measurements in pp collisions

⇒  $\langle T_{AA} \rangle$  from Glauber, 10% of central Pb–Pb density

⇒ Power-like scaling at larger  $p_T$ , not described by hydro

⇒ For simplicity, here parametrise pp cross section as

$$C p_T \left[ 1 + (p_T/p_0)^2 \right]^{-n}$$

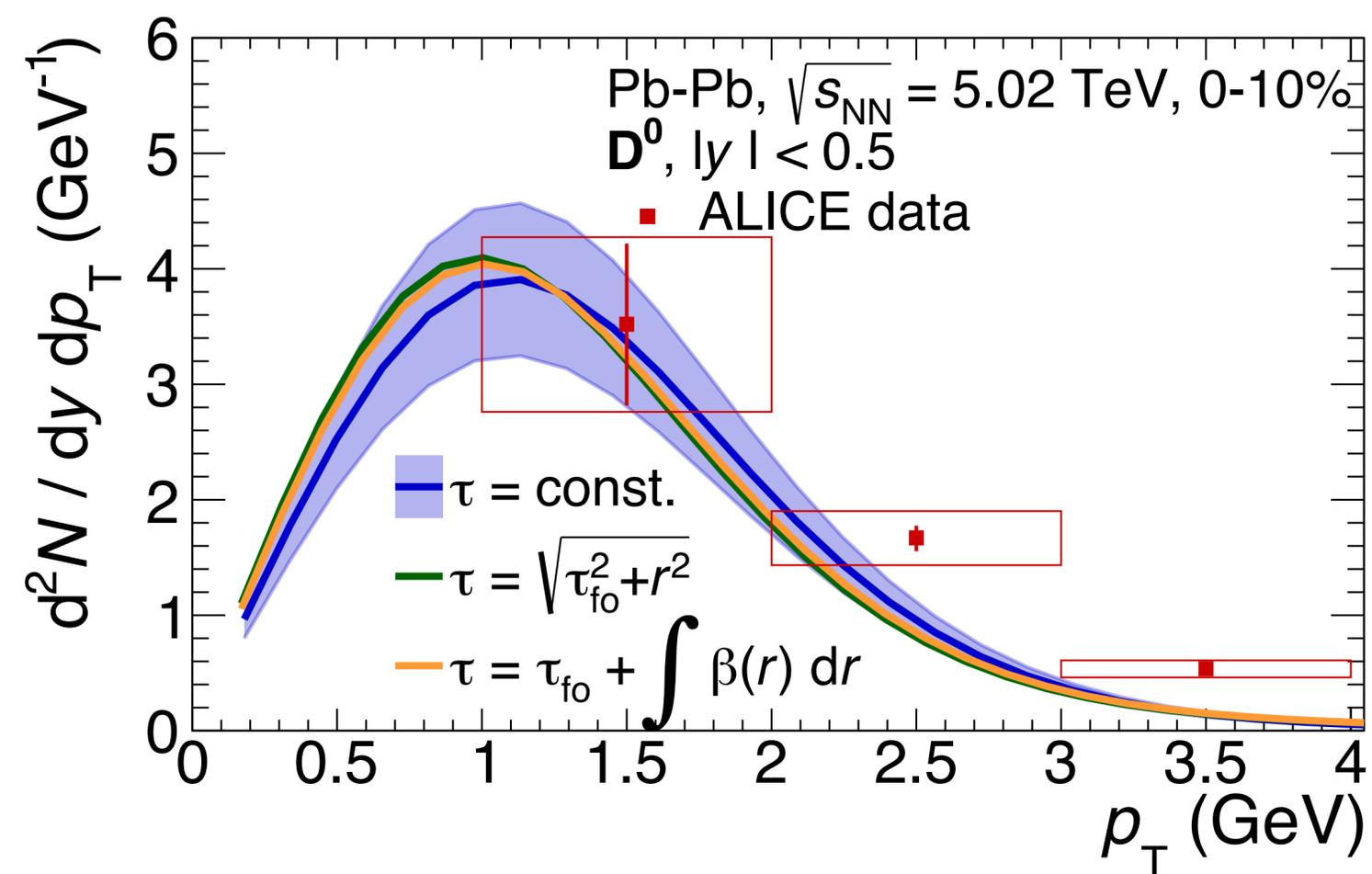


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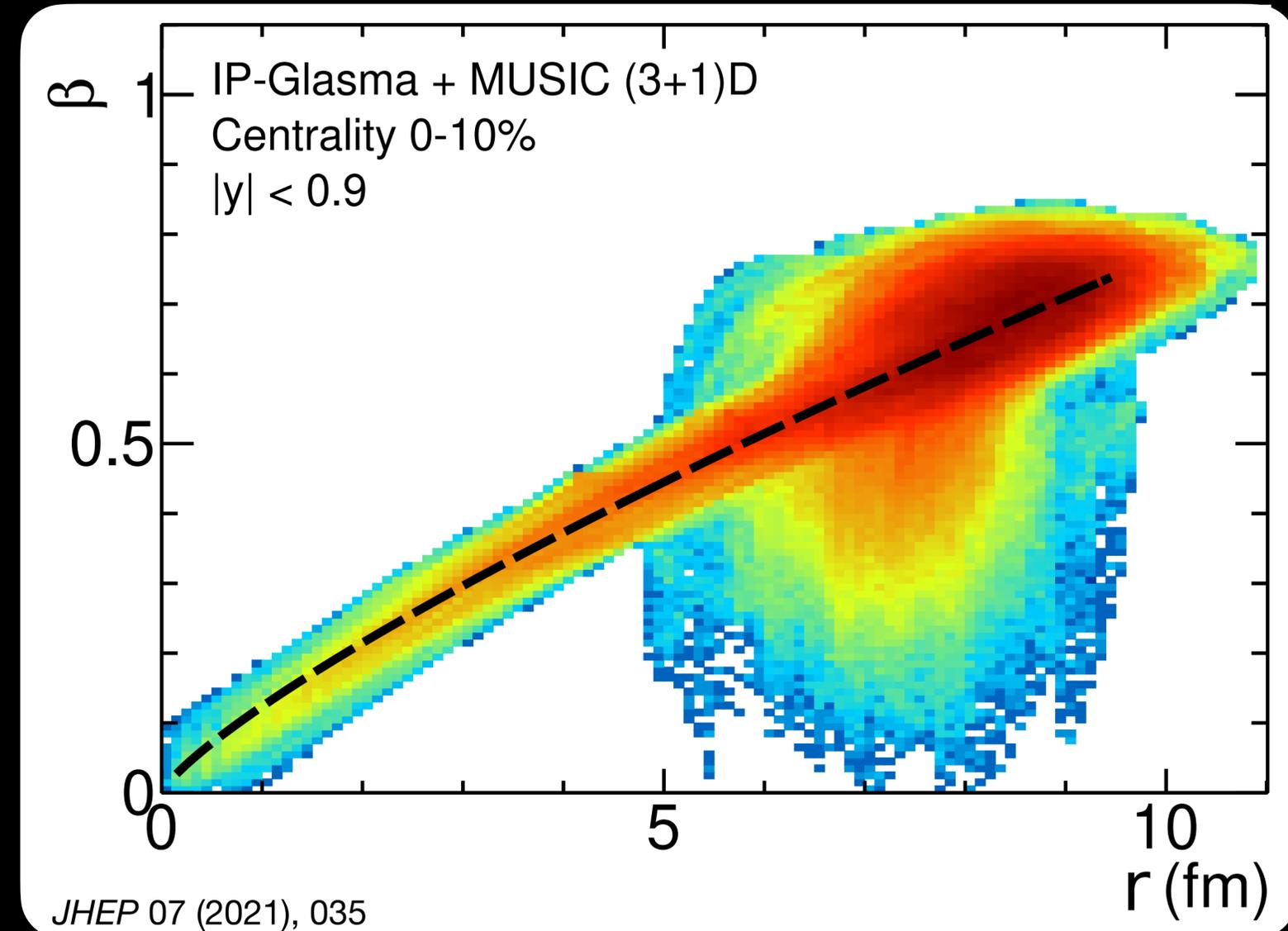
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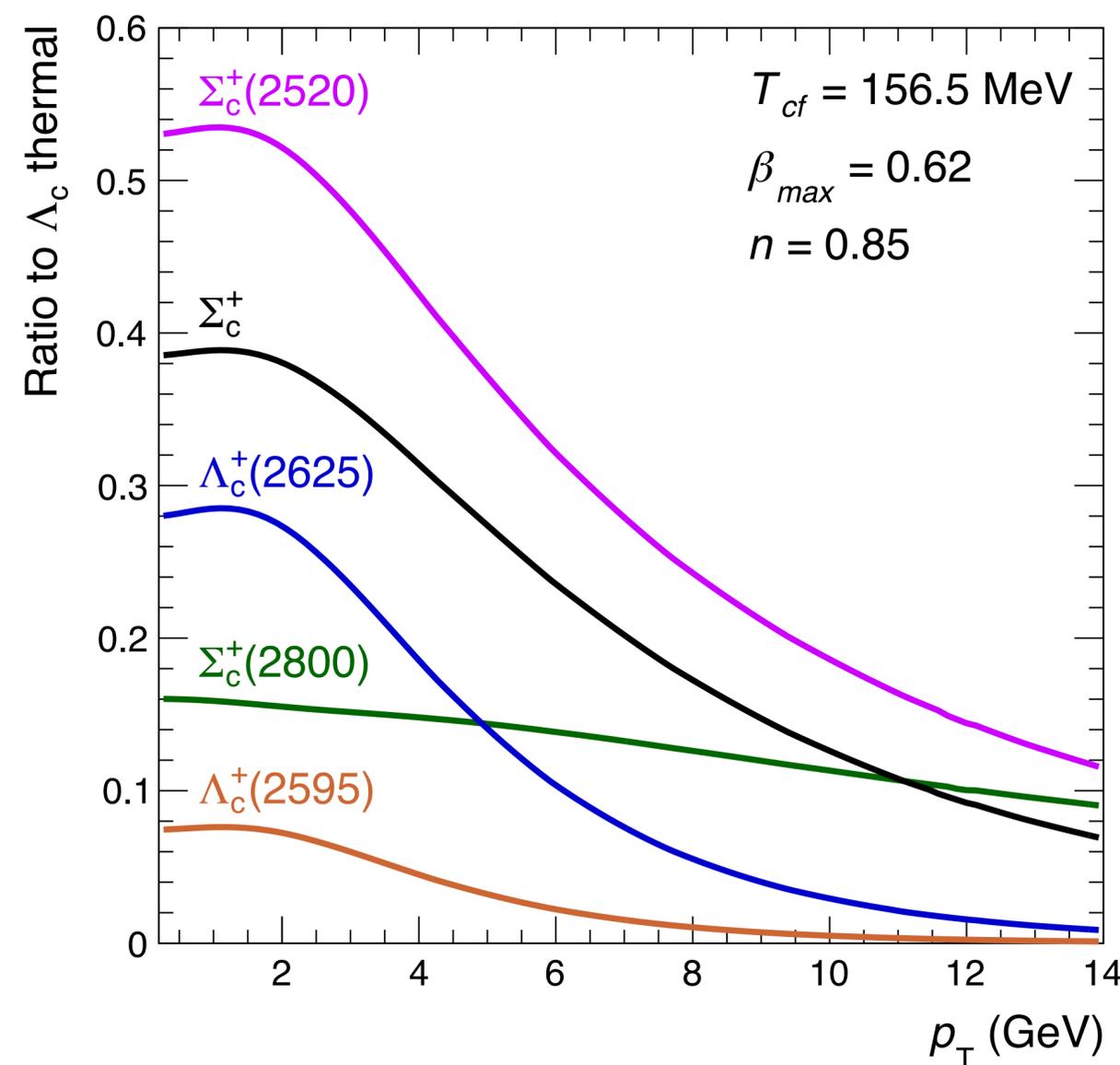
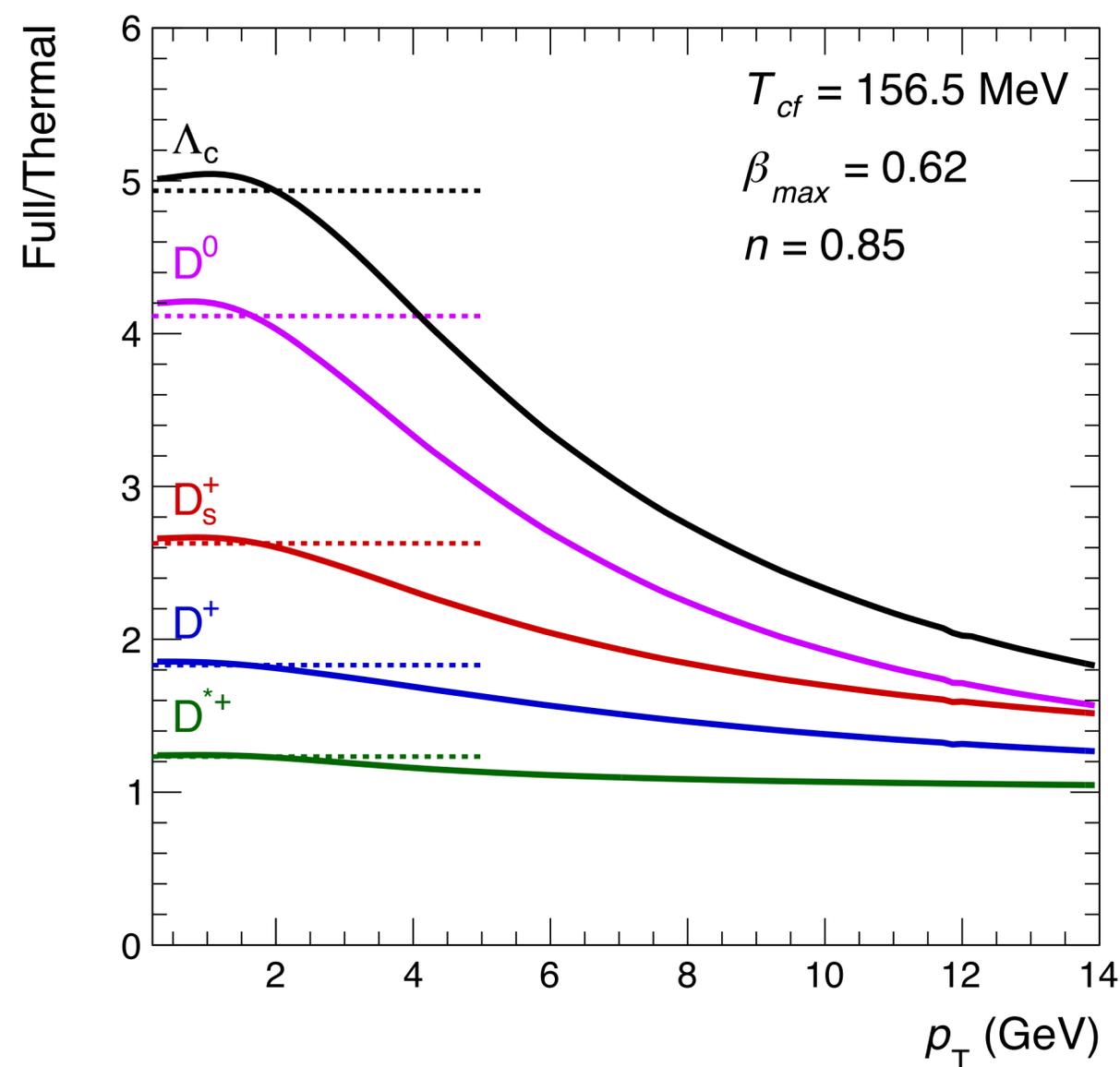
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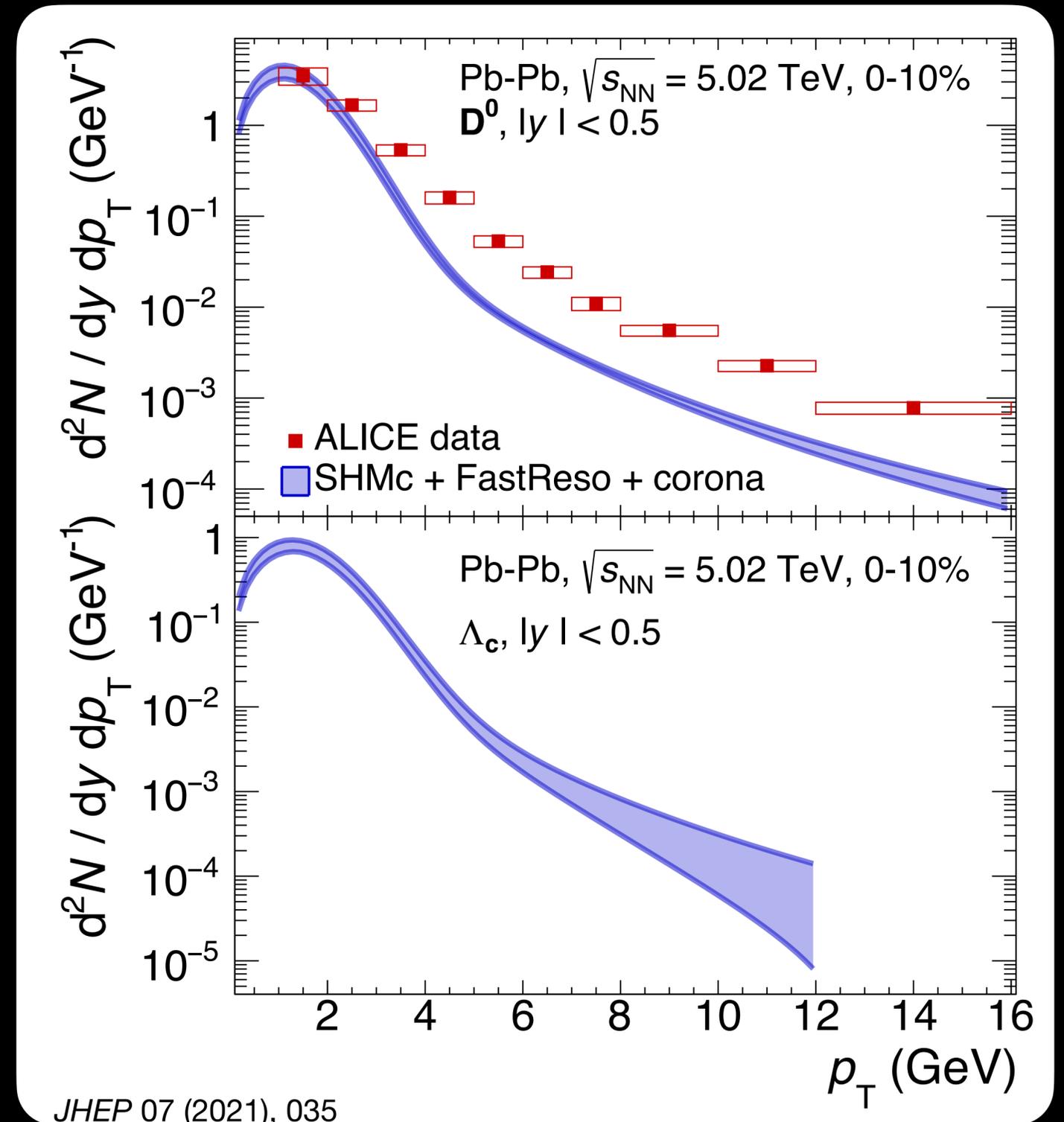
- Full treatment of decay kinematics for resonance decays (before: thermal spectra times feed-down correction)
- Decay products populate mostly low  $p_T$  region, can be as large as 5 times the thermal yield!
- ... but core dominates only up to 3-4 GeV



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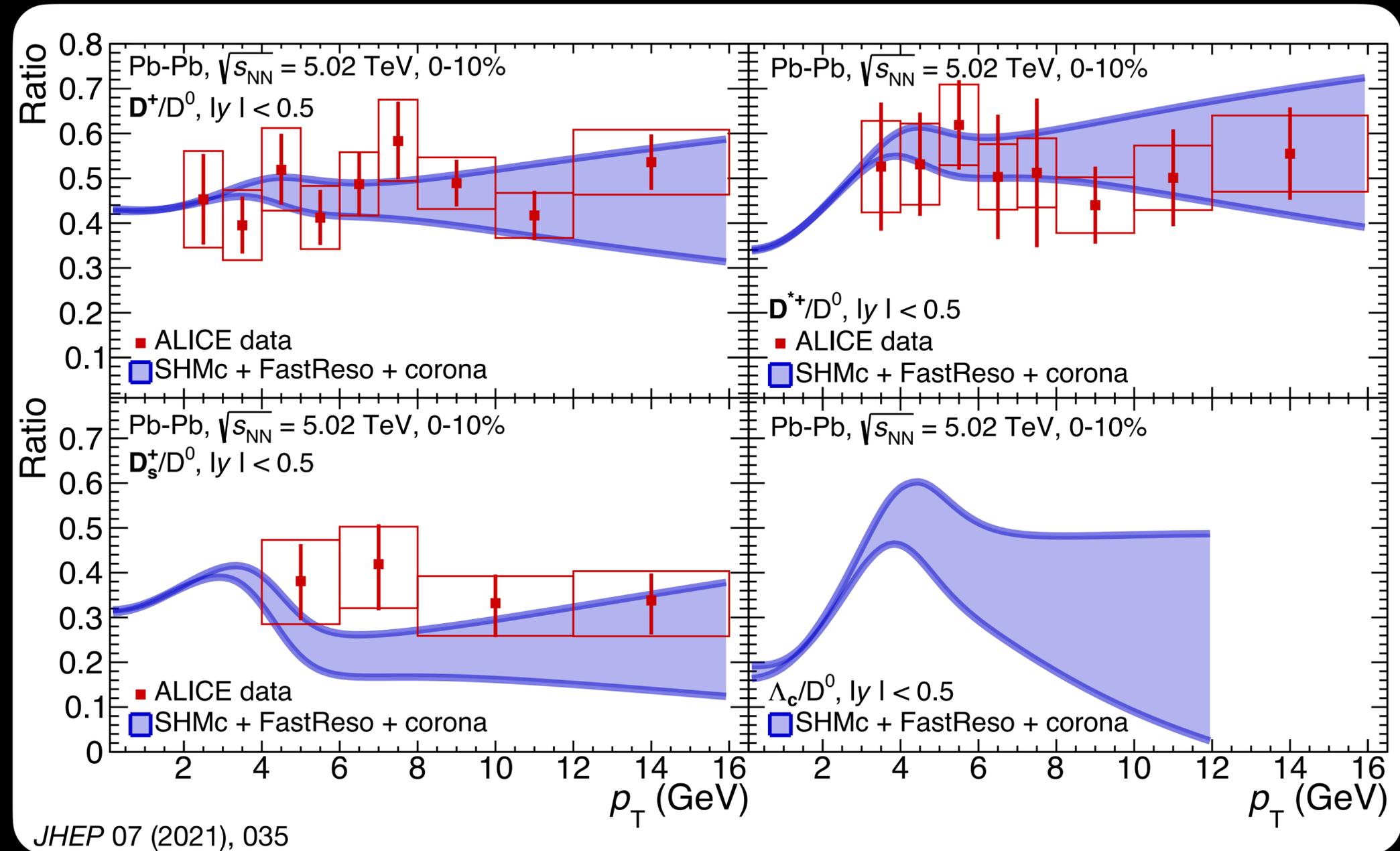
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- Dominant model uncertainties:  $g_c$  for core, pp parametrisation for corona
- $\Lambda_c$ : measured spectra coming soon, our predictions are available as supplementary material on arXiv (also for other species!)



# SHMc predictions: particle ratios

- Very good agreement between model and the data for all particle species!
- **No free parameters!**
- Peak-like structure for  $\Lambda_c$ : hydro  $\rightarrow$  jets
- $g_c$  eliminated, model width dominated by the measurement
- Looking forward to measurements down to low  $p_T$  values



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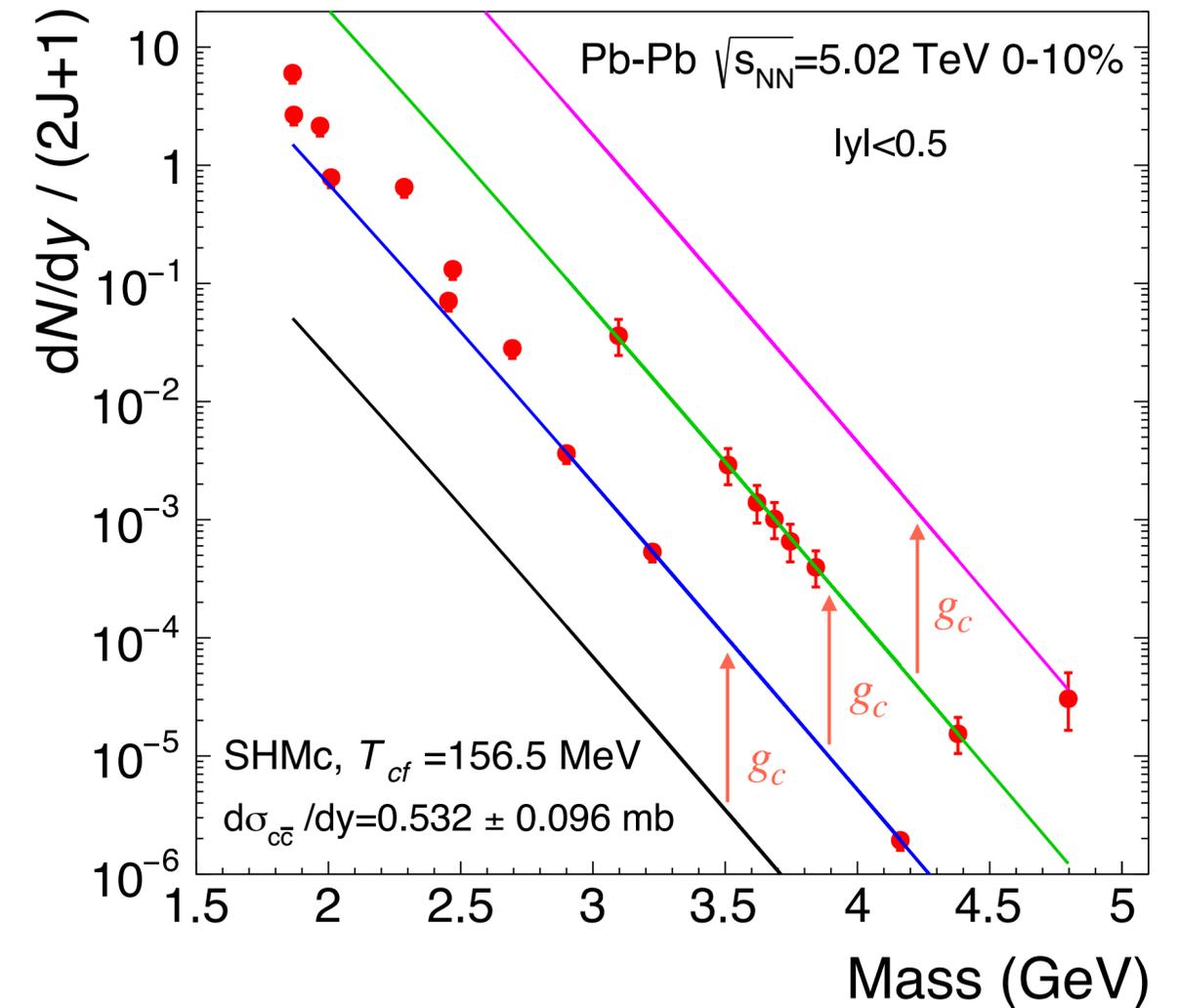
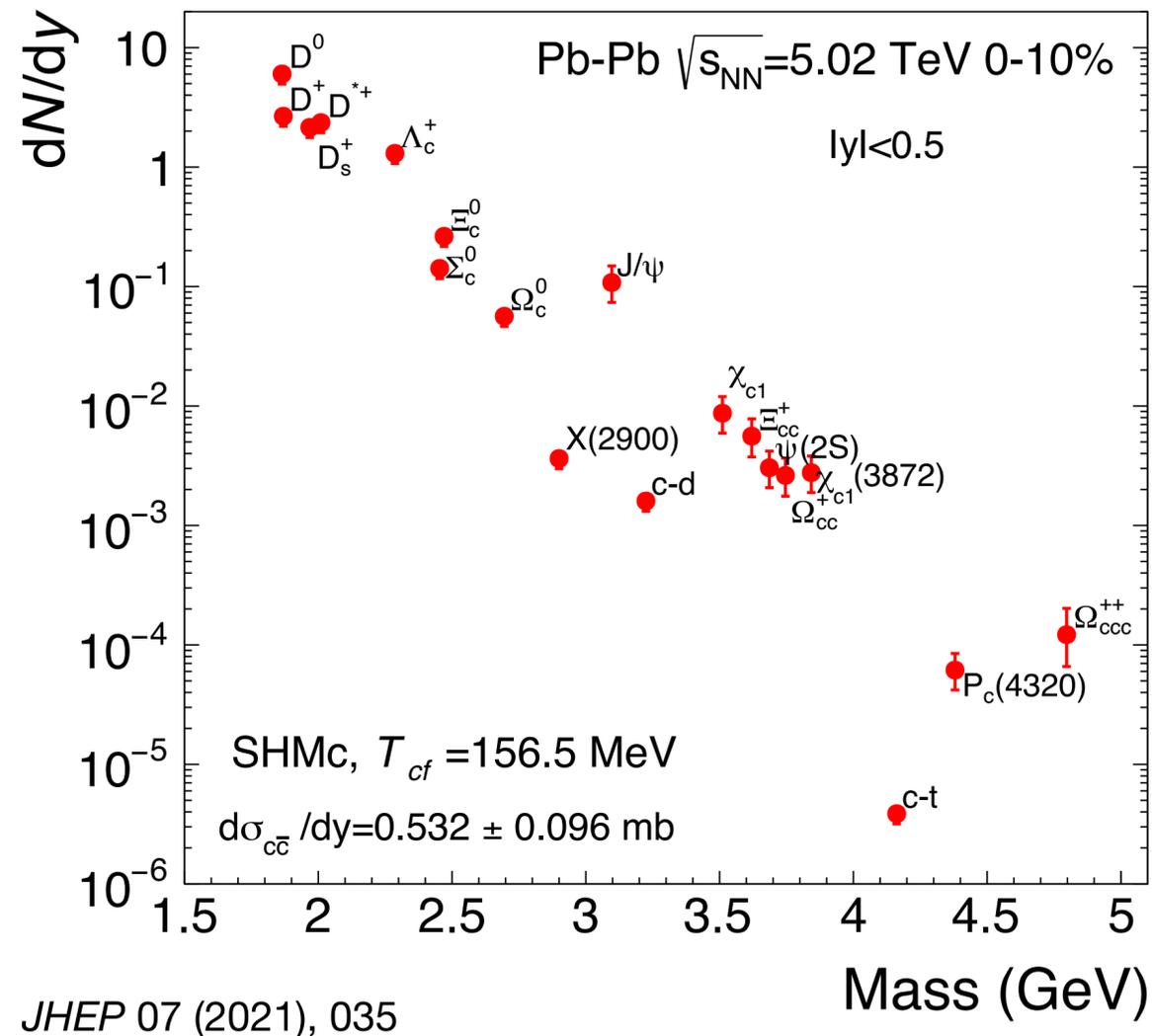
# SHMc predictions: integrated particle yields

Can compute yields for any (multi-)charmed hadrons, including  $\Omega_{ccc}$  and more speculative states, e.g. c-deuteron

$\Rightarrow$  For Pb–Pb collisions at LHC and mid rapidity,  $g_c \approx 30 \Rightarrow \Omega_{ccc}$  enhanced by a factor of  $\sim 2.7 \cdot 10^4$

$\Rightarrow$  Measurements of  $\Omega_{ccc}$  possible in the future runs of LHC?

$\Rightarrow$  Grouping for single-, double-, and triple-charmed hadrons  $\Rightarrow$  perfect testing grounds for deconfinement in LHC for Run 3 and beyond!



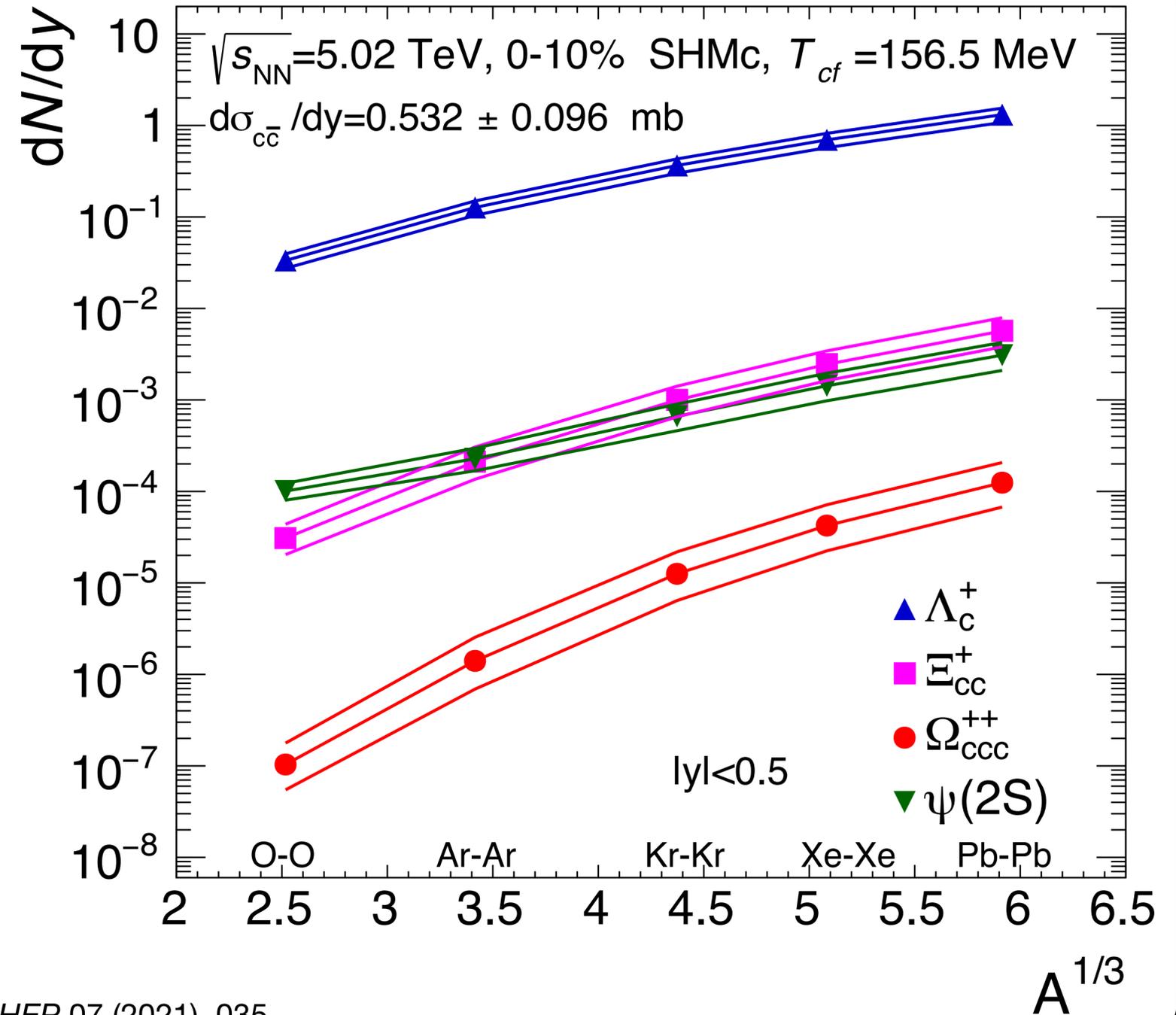
# SHMc predictions: system size dependence

Canonical suppression due to small volume becomes increasingly more important in small systems:

⇒  $\Omega_{ccc}$  yield drops by ~4 orders of magnitude,

⇒ but this can be compensated by increased luminosity

	O-O	Pb-Pb
$\sigma_{\text{inel}}(10\%)$ mb	140	800
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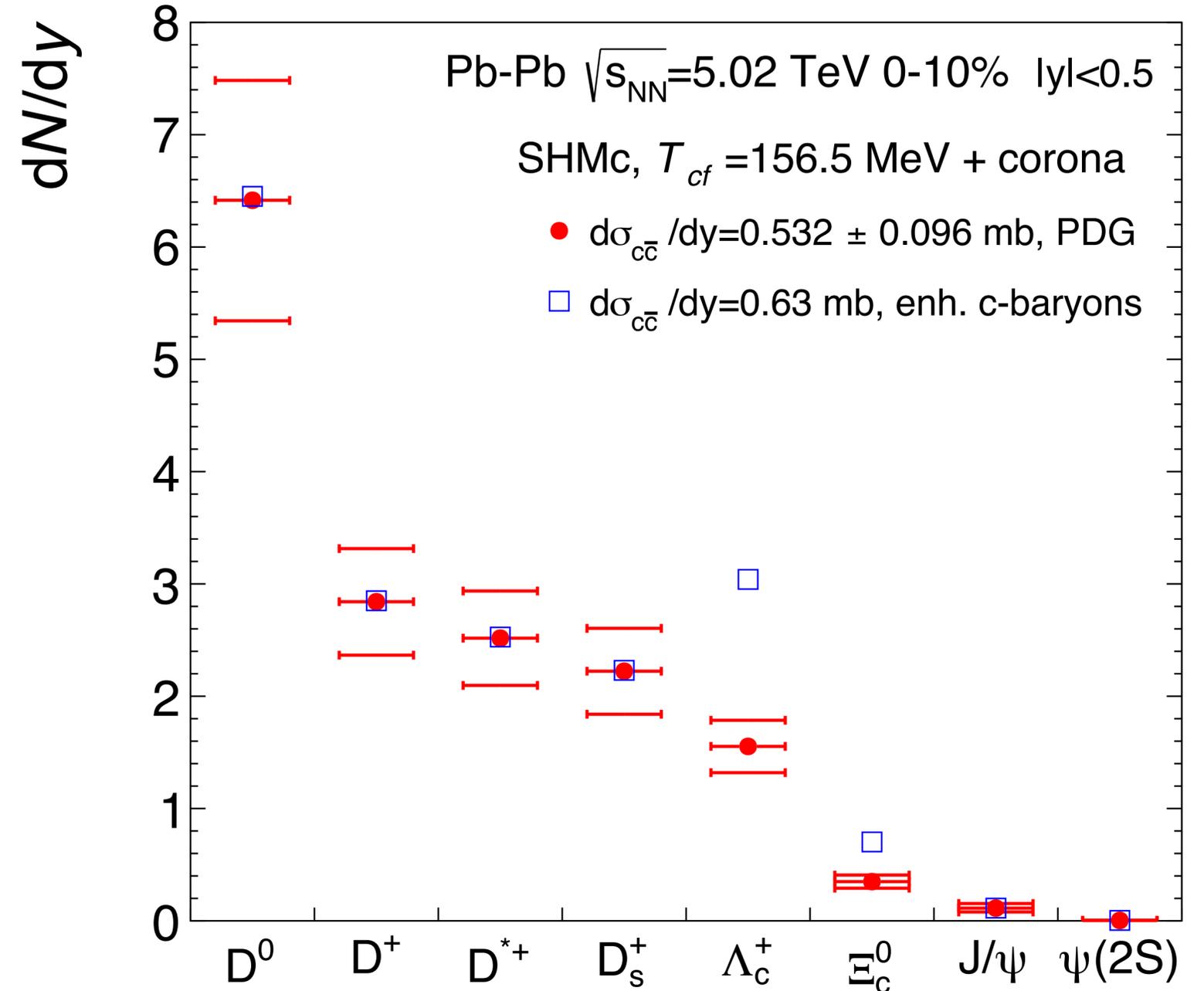
# SHMc predictions: undiscovered states

- Recently, many predictions of undiscovered charmed baryon states (see eg [1])  
 $\Rightarrow$  Study this by *tripling* the statistical weights of all charmed baryon resonances

$\Rightarrow$  Mesons affected marginally

$\Rightarrow$  Baryon yields  $\sim$  double

$\Rightarrow$  Charm production x-section increases by 18%



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# Summary

- Statistical hadronization model extended to charm sector:
  - ⇒ Including the full treatment of resonance decay kinematics
  - ⇒ With no parameter tuning, only external input
  - ⇒ Predictions for *any* charmed hadron ⇔ for LHC Run 3, 4, and ALICE3
- Equivalent treatment of open and hidden charm
- Predicted hierarchy of multi-charm states, very strong enhancement expected
  - ⇒ Perfect testing grounds for deconfinement in the future LHC measurements
- All predictions here and more are available as supplementary material at  
arXiv: 2104.12754 [hep-ph]

# SHMc predictions for $\Omega_{ccc}$

Expected yields of  $\Omega_{ccc}$  in  $10^6$  s LHC run at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV for different collision

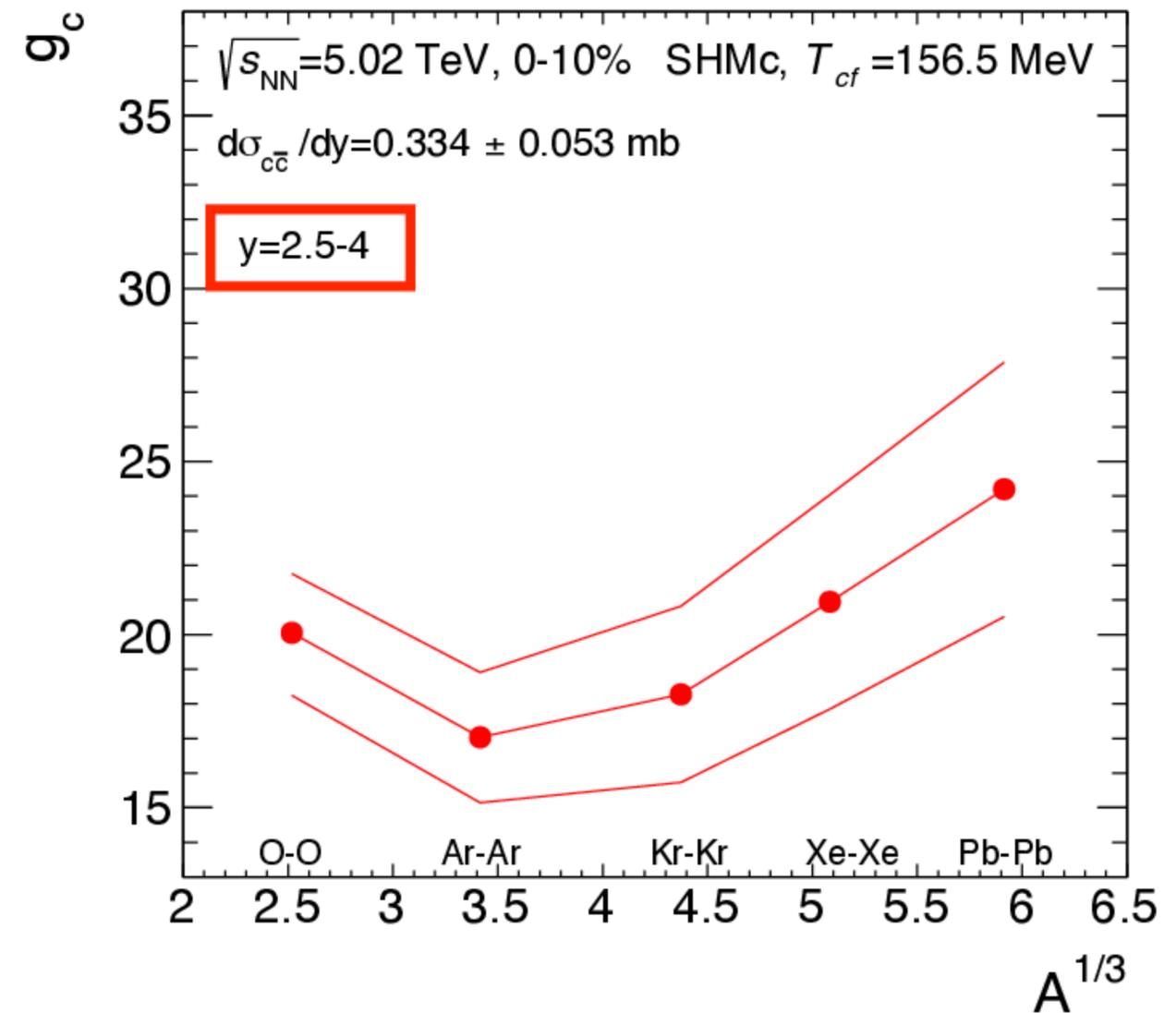
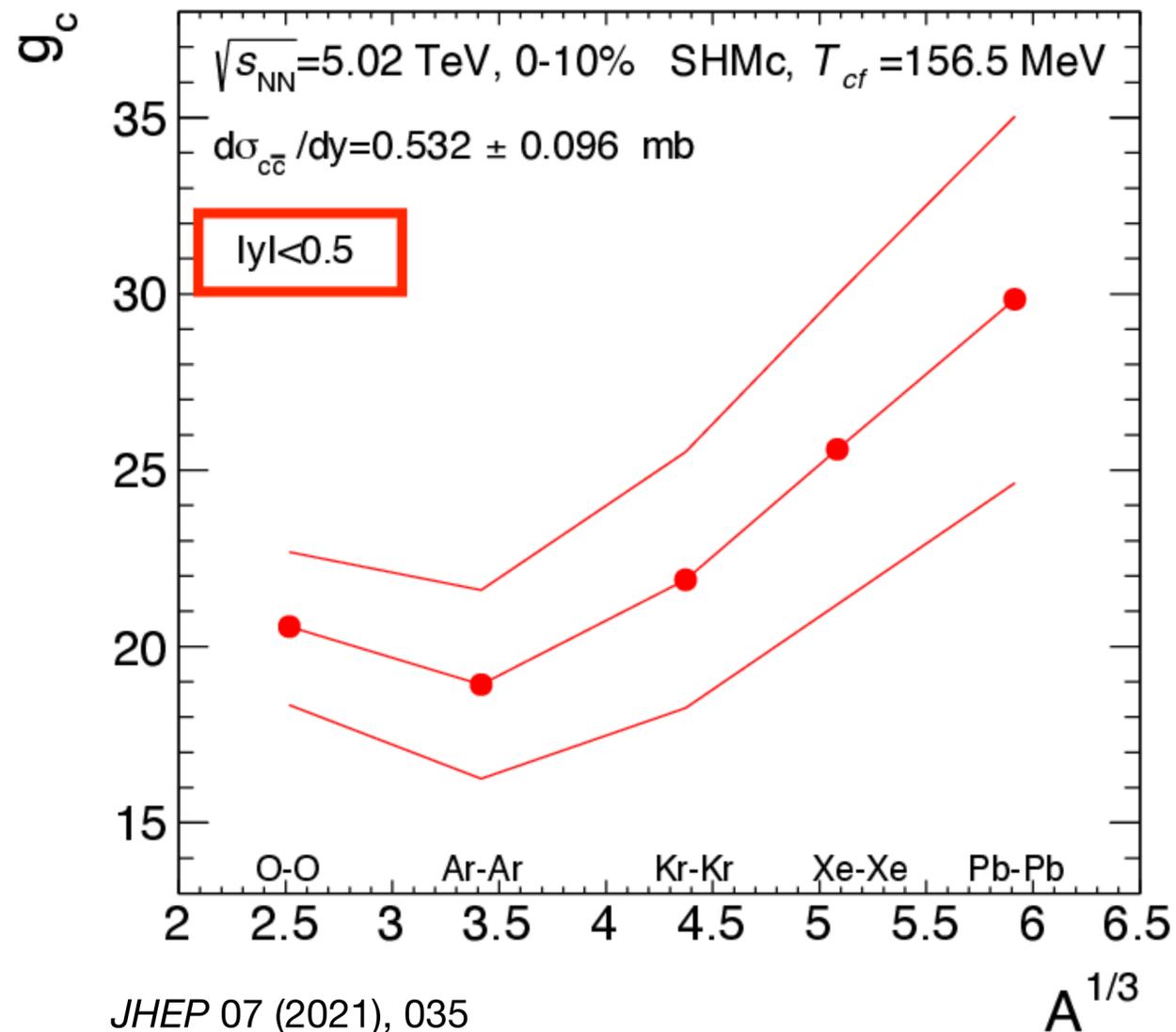
systems in  $\Delta y = 1$  at midrapidity

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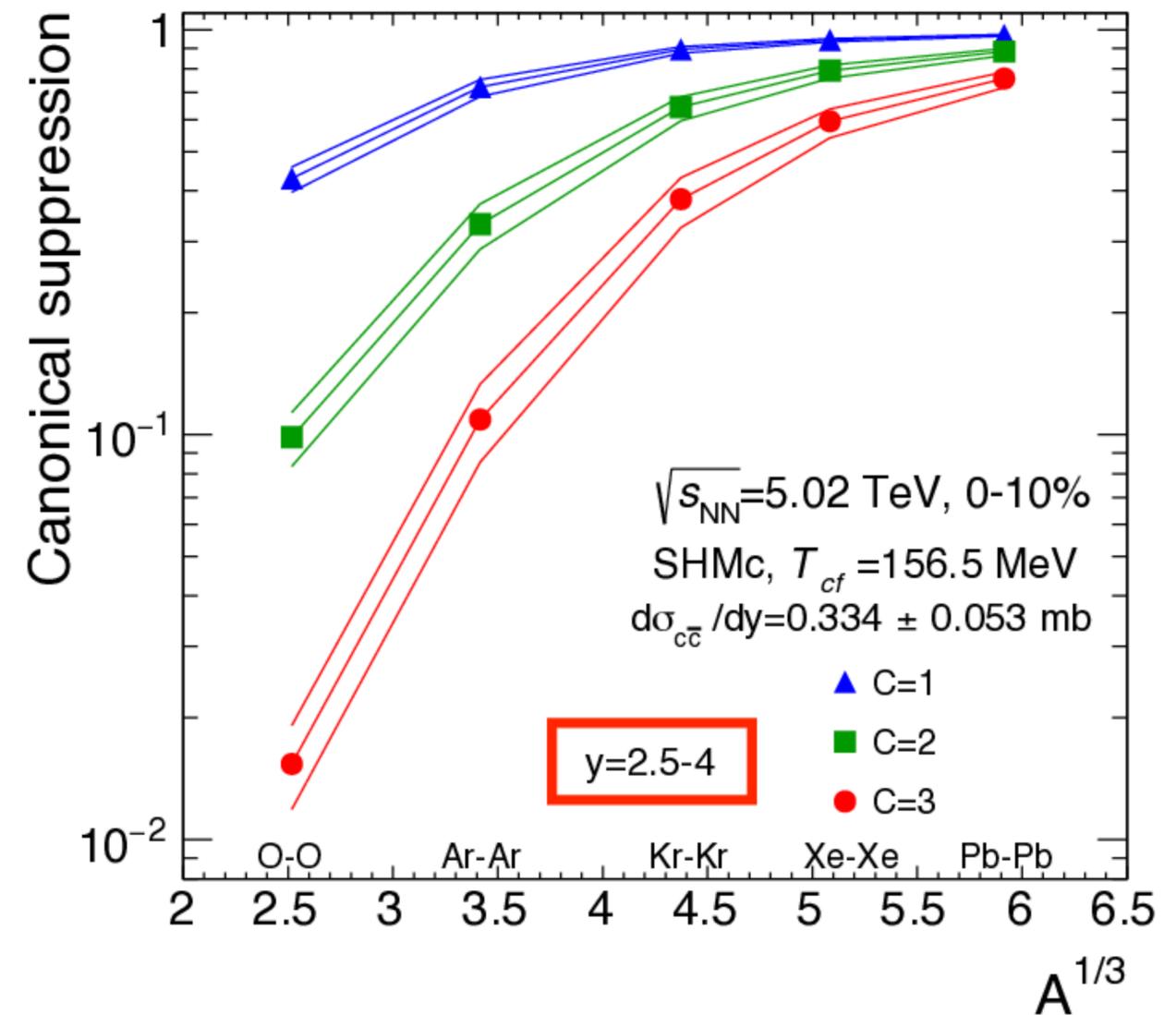
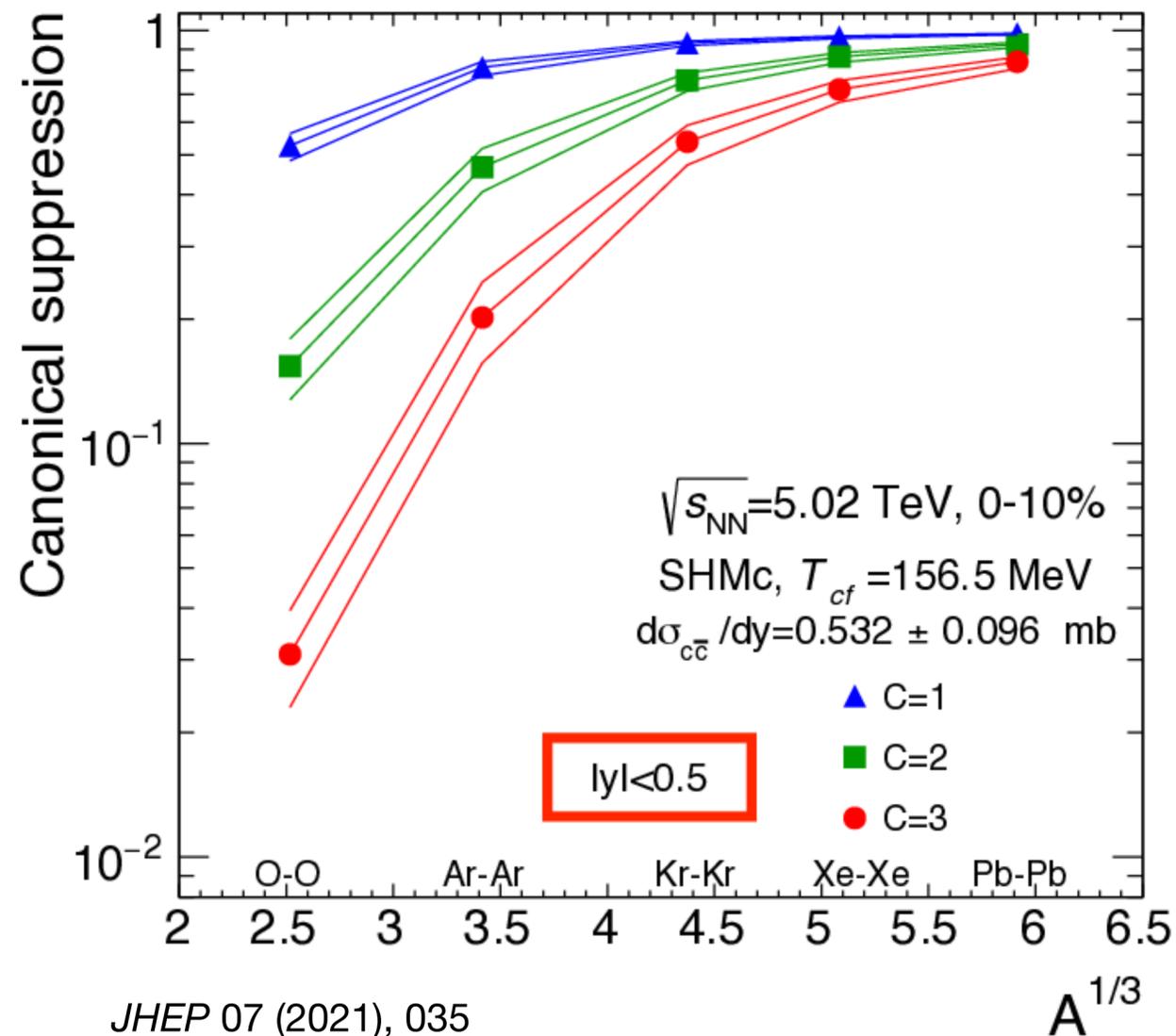
# Charm fugacity $g_c$

- Obtained by numerically solving  $N_{c\bar{c}} = \frac{1}{2} g_c N_{oc}^{th} \frac{I_1(g_c N_{oc}^{th})}{I_0(g_c N_{oc}^{th})} + g_c^2 N_{c\bar{c}}^{th}$  for ALICE (mid. rap.) and LHCb (FW)
- $g_c \propto A^{1/3}$  in large systems (grand-canonical),  $\propto A^{-1/3}$  in O—O (canonical)
- In central Pb—Pb, enhancement of around 30 for single-charm, 900 for double-charm,  $2.6 \cdot 10^4$  for triple charm!



# Canonical suppression in different collision systems

- Largest suppression for triple-charm in O—O
- In Pb—Pb, suppression for triple-charm hadrons  $\approx 0.84$   
 $\Rightarrow$  If realised in the nature, then even the heaviest (charm) hadrons could be accessible experimentally!



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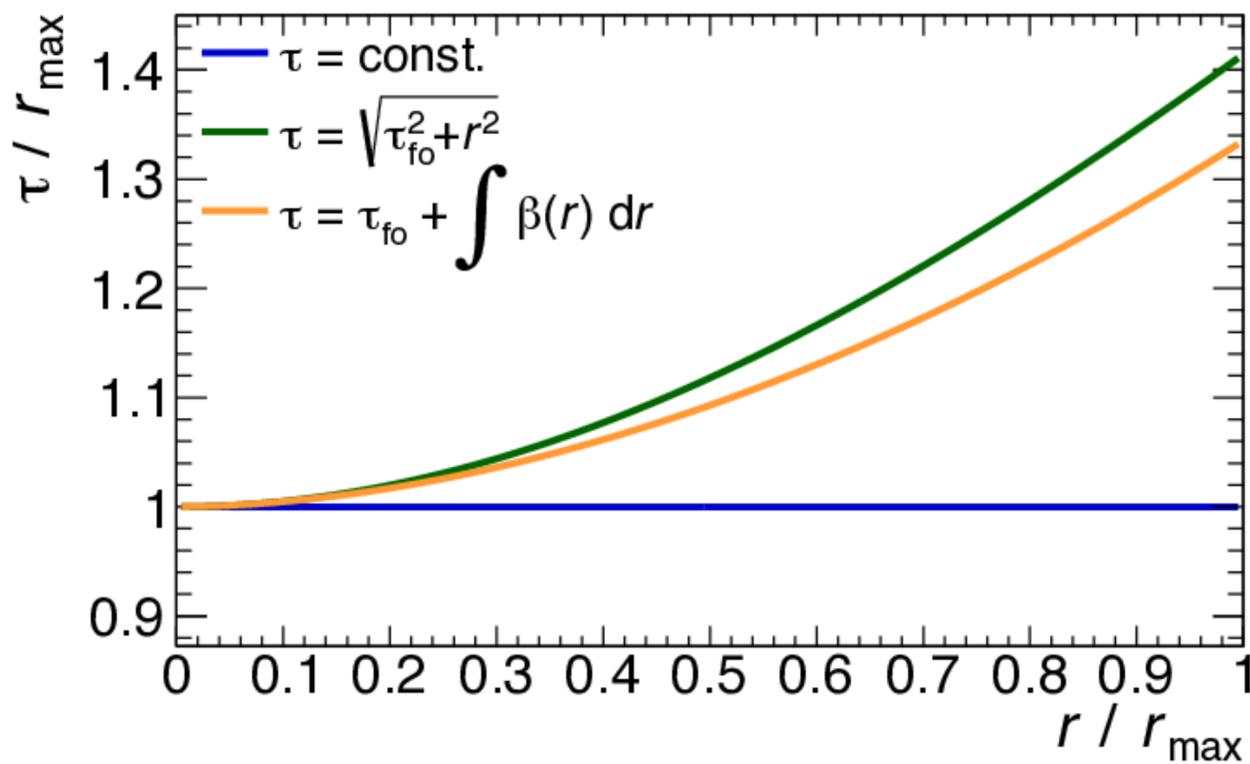
Using **Core-Corona** picture:

- Core yields from SHMc
- Dynamics from blast wave prescription  
 $\Rightarrow$  Cooper-Frye freeze-out reduced to one-dim.

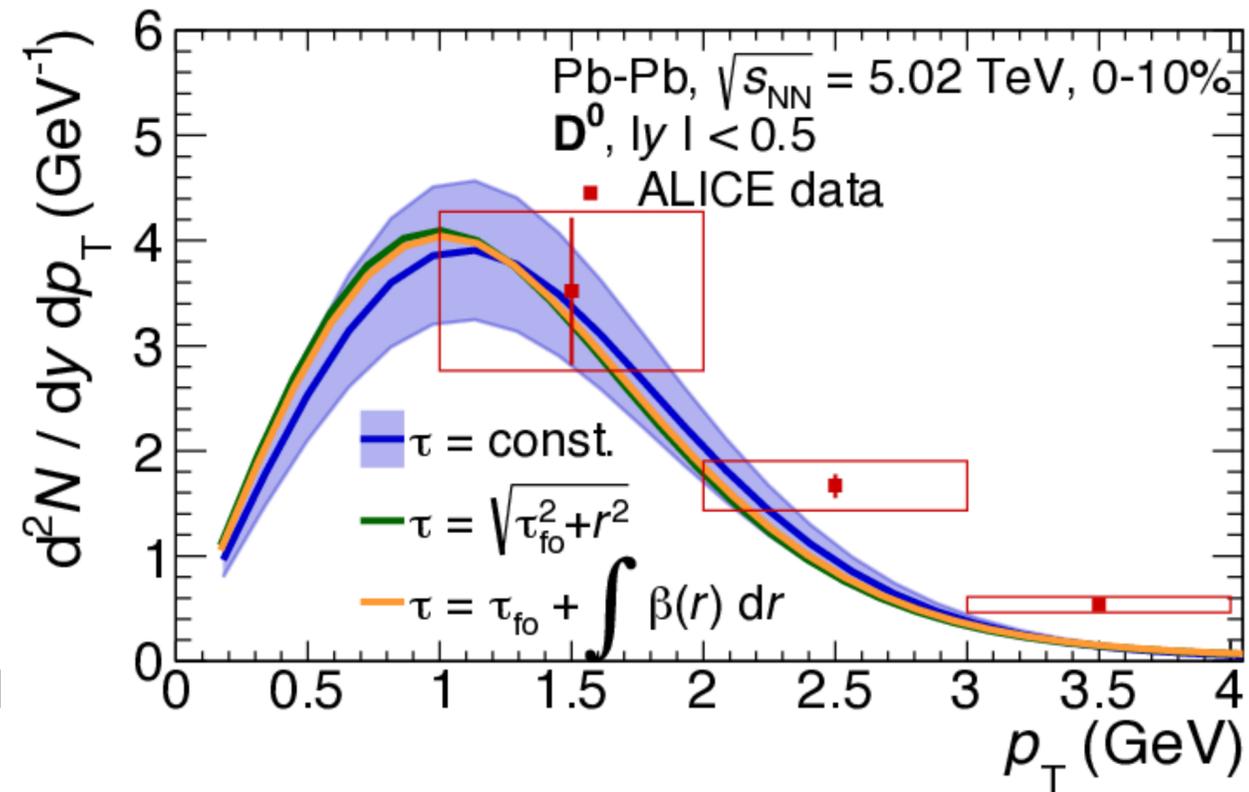
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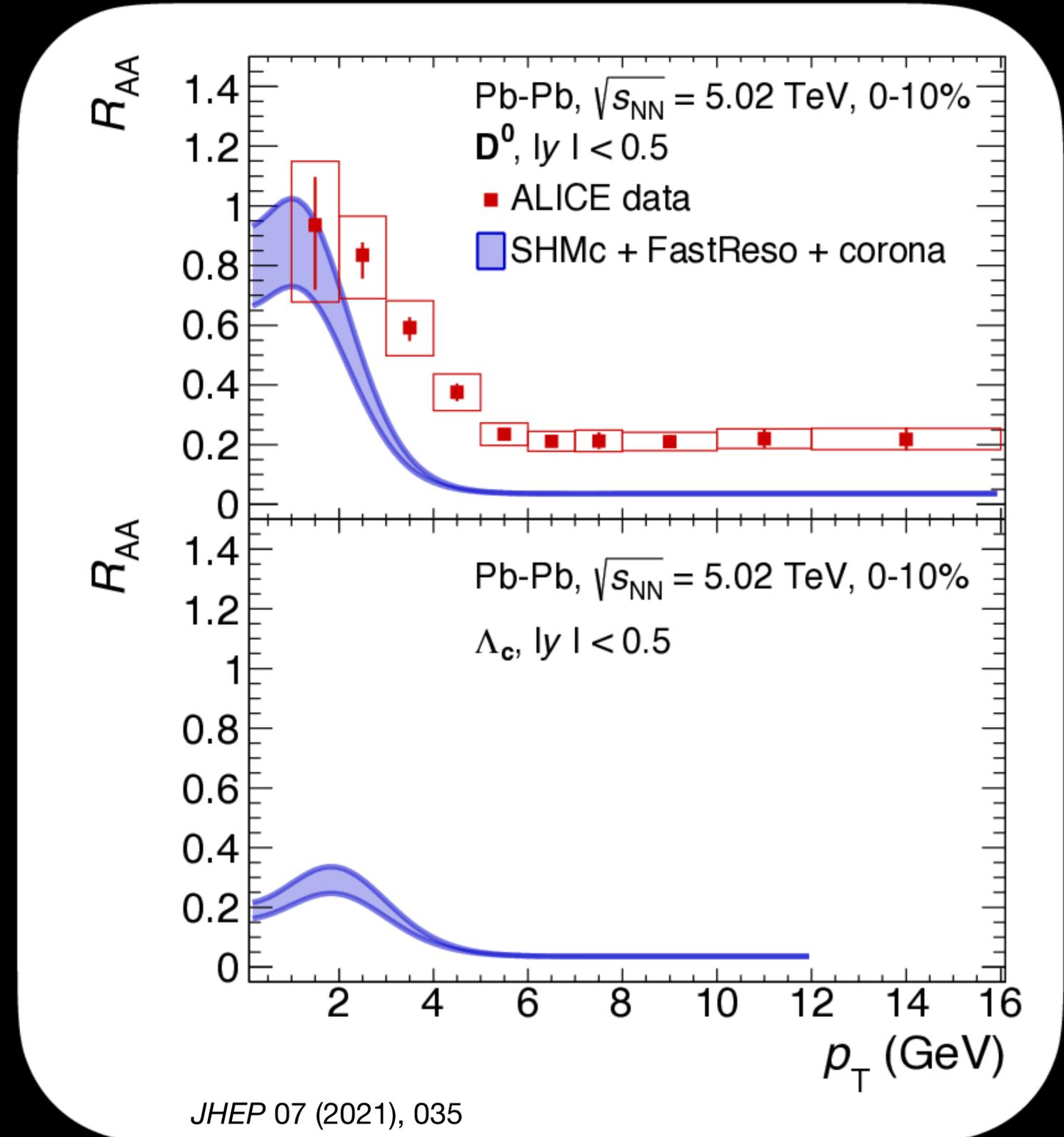


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