

Investigating the hidden strangeness content of exotic resonance with ALICE

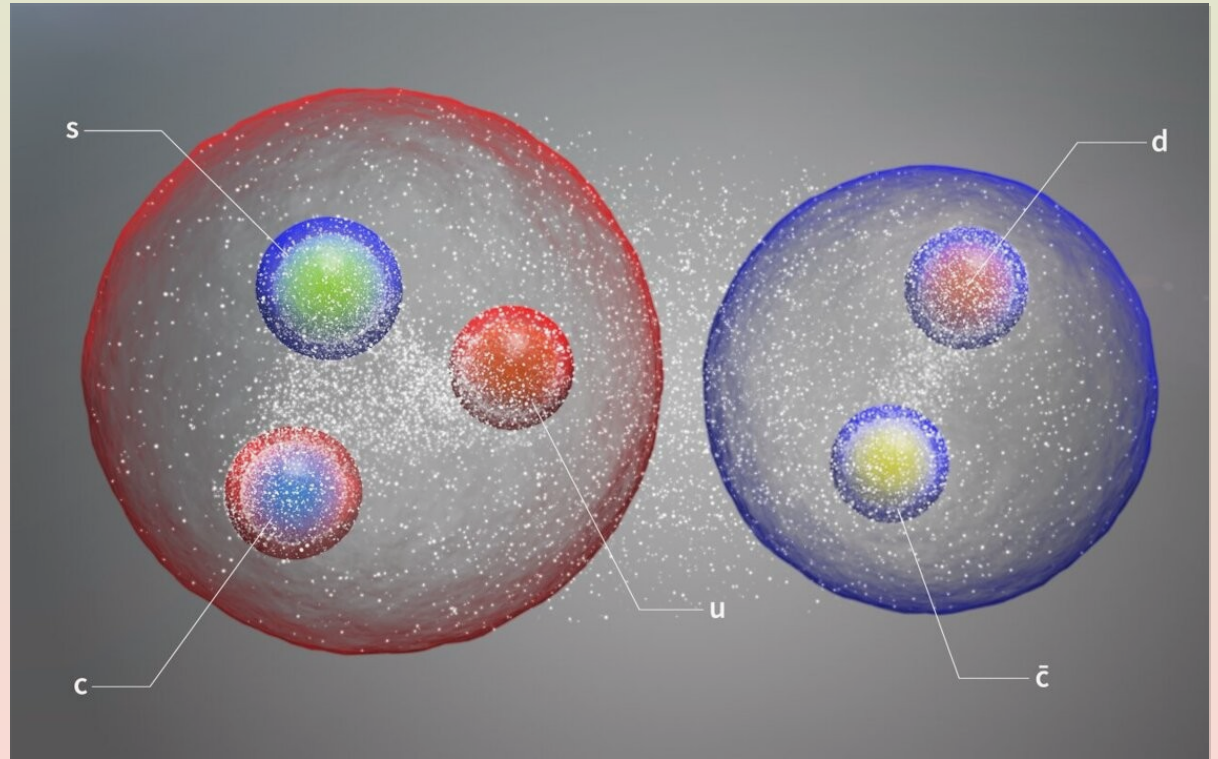


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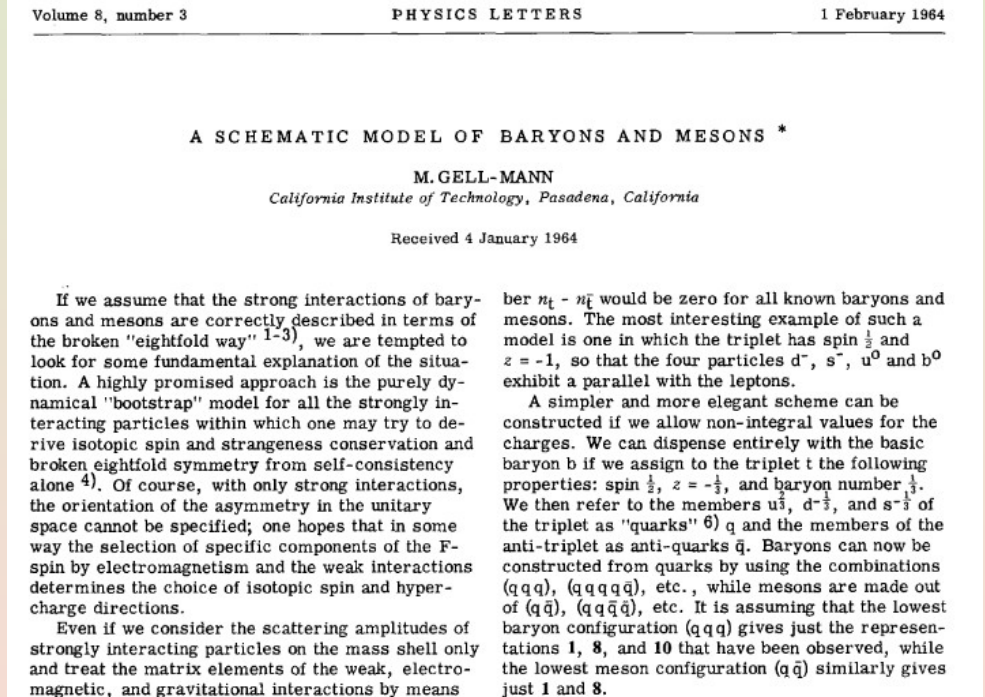
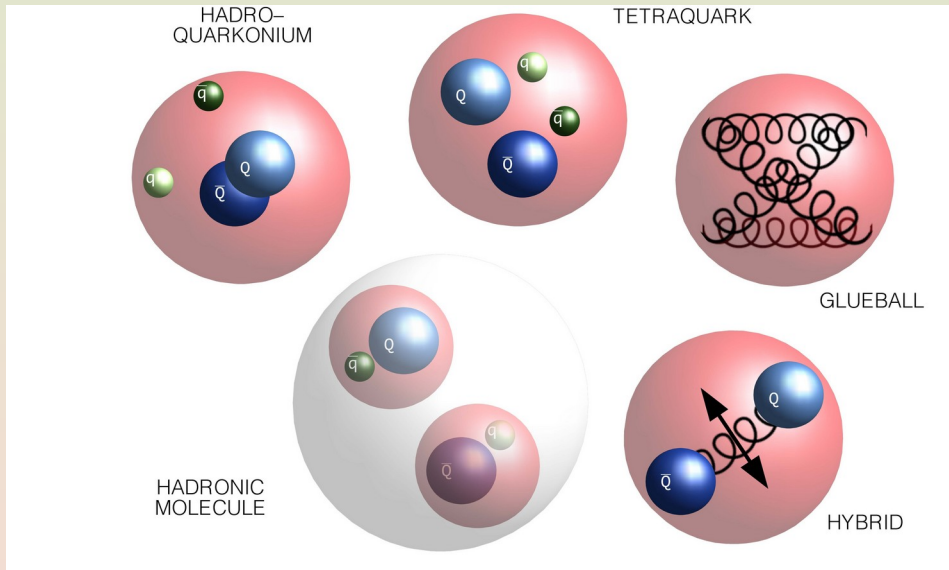
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<https://phys.org/news/2022-07-lhcb-exotic-particles-pentaquark-first-ever.html>

Introduction



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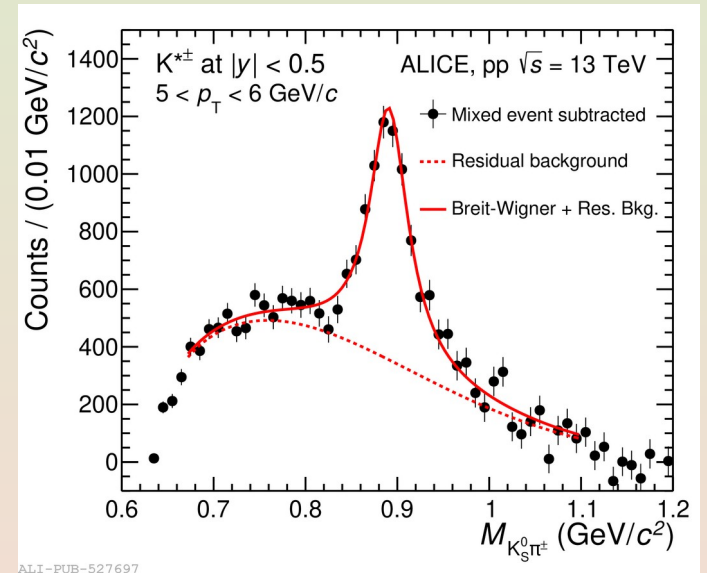
- ✓ Ordinary hadrons: Baryons and mesons
- ✓ Exotic hadrons: Unusual composition of quarks and anti-quarks such as tetraquarks, pentaquarks etc.

M.Gell-Mann, Phys.Lett. 8 (1964) 214-215

To validate and test the predictions of QCD

Resonances

- ✓ Short lived particles that decay via strong interaction
- ✓ Reconstructed using invariant mass method
- ✓ The width of the peak determines the particles' lifetime
- ✓ *Open problem:* Quark content of several resonances in the range $\sim 1\text{-}2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



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	ρ (770)	K^* (892)	f_0 (980)	ϕ (1020)	f_1 (1285)	Σ (1385)	Λ (1520)	Ξ (1530)	f_0 (1710)
Quark contents	$\frac{u\bar{u} - d\bar{d}}{\sqrt{2}}$	$d\bar{s}$???	$s\bar{s}$???	uus	uds	dds	???

Exotic resonance $f_0(980)$

Properties of $f_0(980)$

Mass (MeV/c^2)	980 ± 20
Width (MeV/c^2)	10-100
Spin	0
Charge	0
Parity	1
Decay mode	$\pi\pi$
B.R. (%)	46 ± 6
Quark composition	???




PRL 111 (2013), 062001

Physics	Predictions	References	Current study
Quark composition	(1) Diquark (Linear combination of u and d quarks)	Chuan-Hung Chen, Phys. Rev. D 67 (2003), 094011	✓
	(2) Tetraquark (Consist of strange quarks)	N.N. Achasov <i>et al.</i> , Phys. Rev. D 103, 014010 (2021), Eef van Beveren <i>et al.</i> , Phys.Lett.B 495 (2000) 300-302,	✓
	(3) Molecule	Hiwa A. Ahmed and C. W. Xiao, Phys. Rev. D 101 (2020), 094034	✗

Exotic resonance $f_1(1285)$

Properties of $f_1(1285)$

Mass (MeV/c^2)	1285 ± 0.5
Width (MeV/c^2)	22 ± 1.1
Spin	1
Charge	0
Parity	1
Decay mode	$K_s^0 K \pi$
B.R. (%)	2.25 ± 0.1
Quark composition	???

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Quark composition	(1) Diquark (Linear combination of u and d quarks)	A.A. Osipov <i>et al.</i> , Phys.Rev.D 96 (2017), 054012	
	(2) Tetraquark (Consist of strange quarks)	Y. Kanada-En'yo <i>et al.</i> , Phys.Rev.D71 (2005), 094005	
	(3) Molecule	F. Aceti <i>et al.</i> , Phys.Lett. B750 (2015) 609-614	

Glueball search

- ✓ Particles composed entirely of gluons

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- ✓ Lattice QCD predicts the existence of scalar glueballs in the mass range 1550-1750 MeV/c²

Properties of f₂ (1270)

Mass (MeV/c ²)	1275±0.8
Width (MeV/c ²)	185.8±2.8
Spin	2
Charge	0
Parity	1
Decay mode	K _s ⁰ K _s ⁰

Properties of f₂ (1525)

Mass (MeV/c ²)	1525±2.4
Width (MeV/c ²)	112
Spin	2
Charge	0
Parity	1
Decay mode	K _s ⁰ K _s ⁰

Properties of f₀ (1710)

Mass (MeV/c ²)	1710±8
Width (MeV/c ²)	123±12
Spin	0
Charge	0
Parity	1
Decay mode	K _s ⁰ K _s ⁰

ALICE detector

✓ VO detectors (VOA & VOC)

- Centrality estimator
- Trigger

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✓ Inner Tracking System (ITS)

- Tracking
- Vertexing

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✓ Time Projection Chamber (TPC)

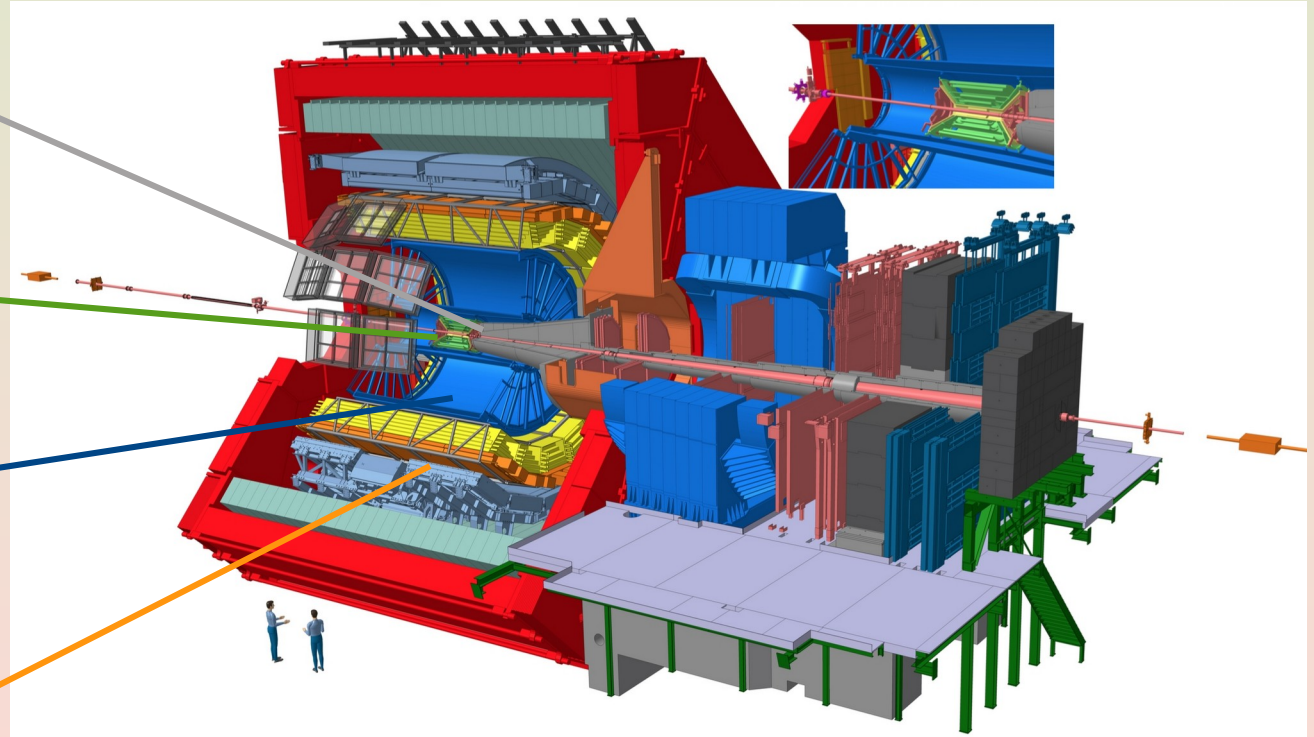
- Tracking and vertexing
- Momentum measurement
- Particle Identification (PID)

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✓ Time Of Flight (TOF)

- Particle Identification (PID)

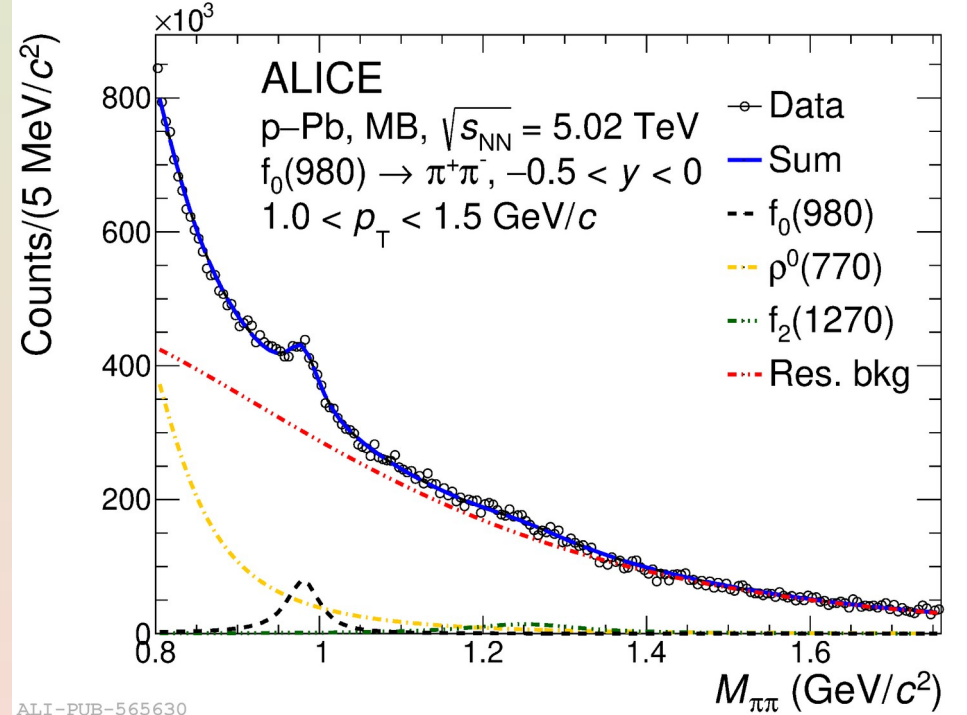
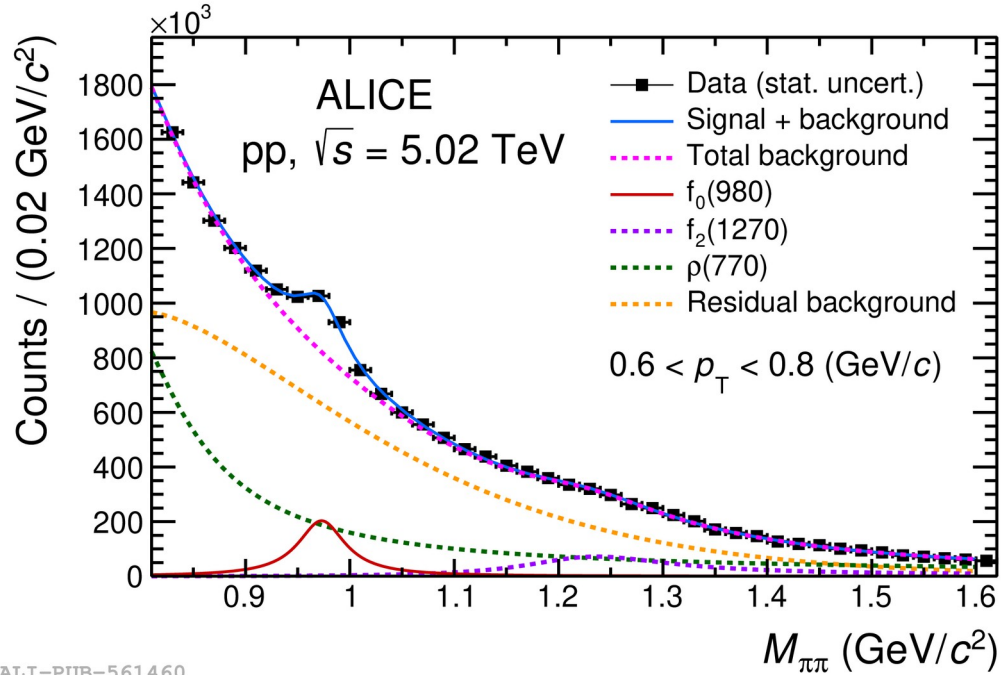
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Dataset and analysis details

System	pp and p-Pb
Center of mass energy (TeV)	13 (pp), 5.02 (pp and p-Pb)
No. of events	$O(\sim 10^9)$, $O(\sim 10^8)$
Reconstruction technique	Invariant mass method $M = \sqrt{(\sum_i E_i)^2 - (\sum_i p_i)^2}$
Rapidity ($ y $)	< 0.5
Resonances	$f_0(980)$, $f_1(1285)$, $f_2(1270)$, $f_2(1525)$ and $f_0(1710)$

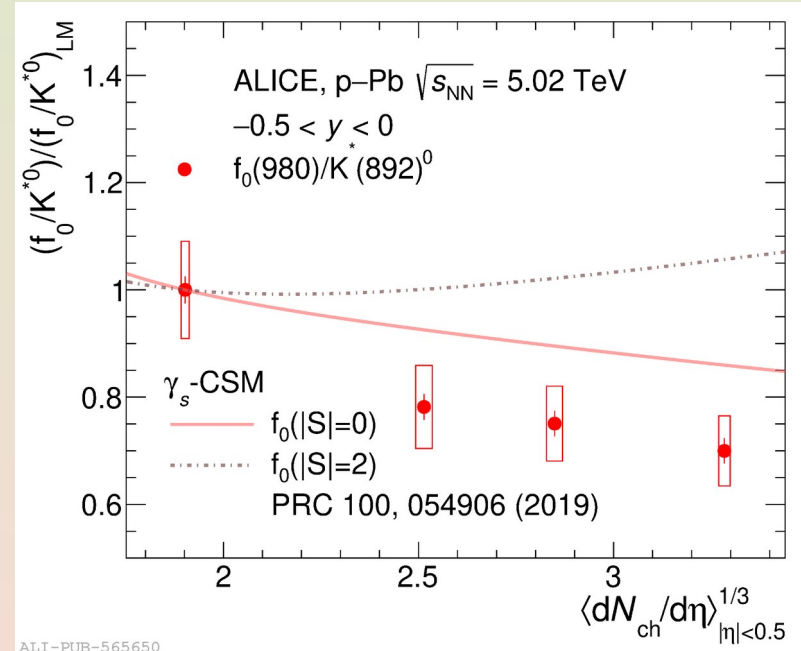
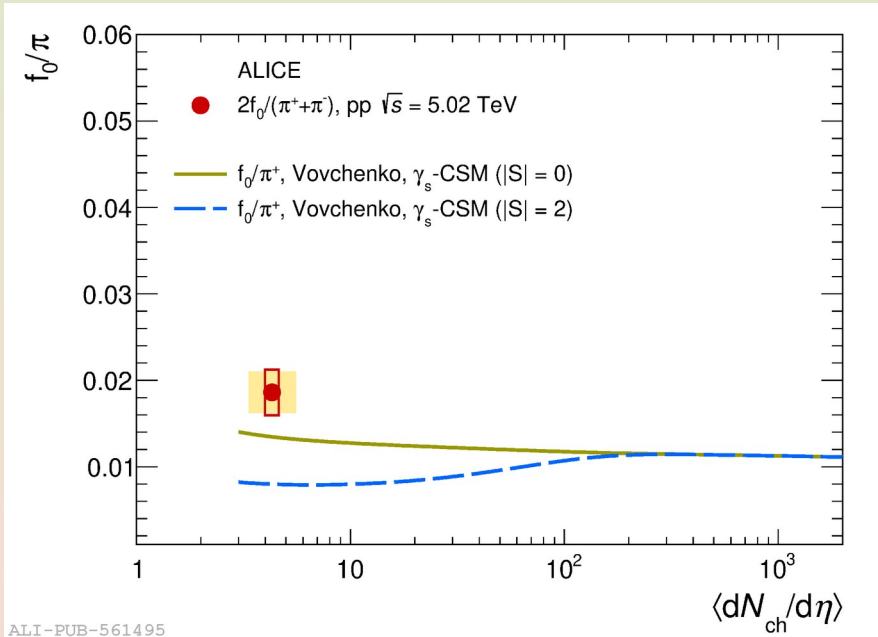
Measurement of $f_0(980)$



- ✓ Signal extraction carried out using invariant mass method
- ✓ A clear signal of $f_0(980)$ is observed

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Quark content of $f_0(980)$

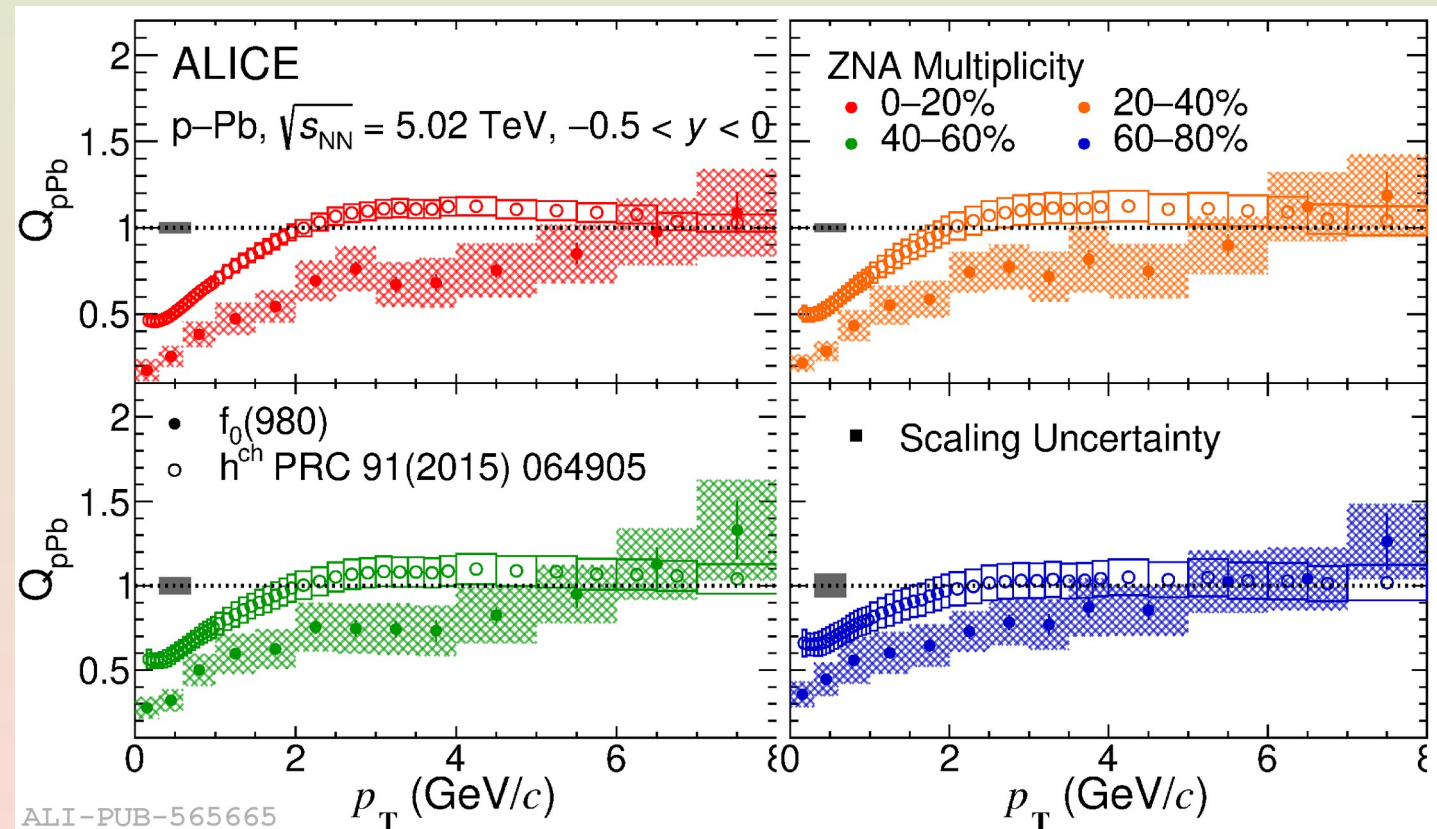


- ✓ f_0/π : Canonical statistical model underestimates the ratio
- ✓ Measurements disfavor $|S| = 2$ quark configuration of f_0

$|S|$ = Total number of strange/anti-strange quarks inside the hadron

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Quark structure of $f_0(980)$



$$Q_{pPb}(p_T, cent) = \frac{d^2 N_{pPb}^{cent} / dy dp_T}{\langle T_{pPb}^{cent} \rangle d^2 \sigma_{pp}^{INEL} / dy dp_T}$$

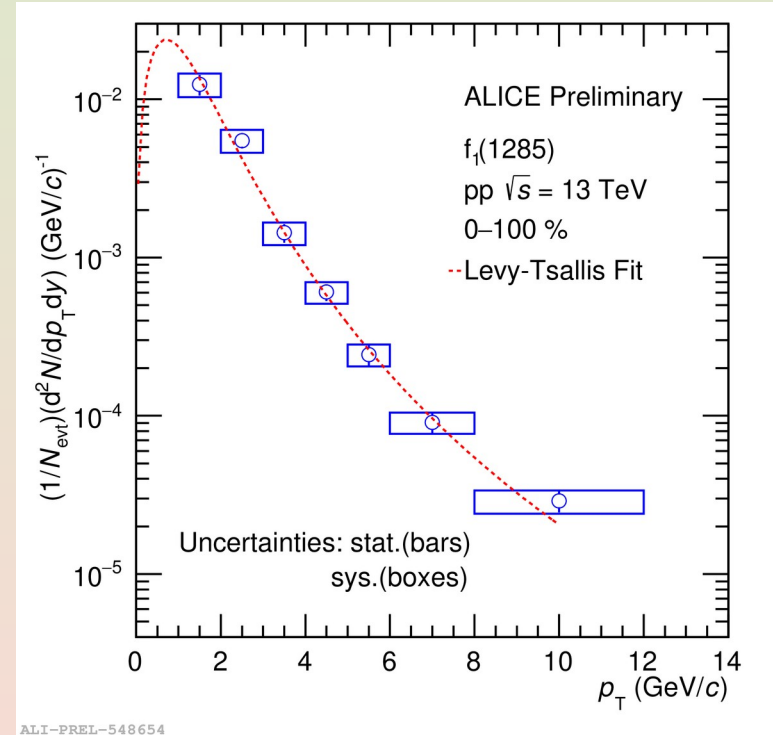
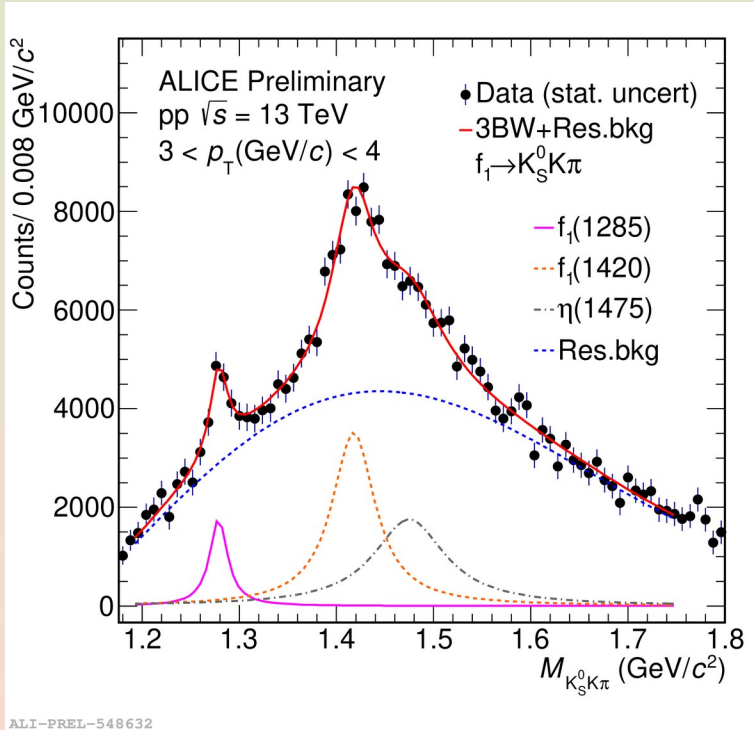
$$\langle T_{pPb}^{cent} \rangle = N_{coll}^{cent} / \sigma_{NN}$$

$$\sigma_{NN} = (70 \pm 5) \text{ mb}$$

- ✓ Dominance of rescattering effect at low p_T and effect of radial flow
- ✓ No Cronin enhancement is observed \rightarrow may suggest a di-quark structure

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Measurement of $f_1(1285)$

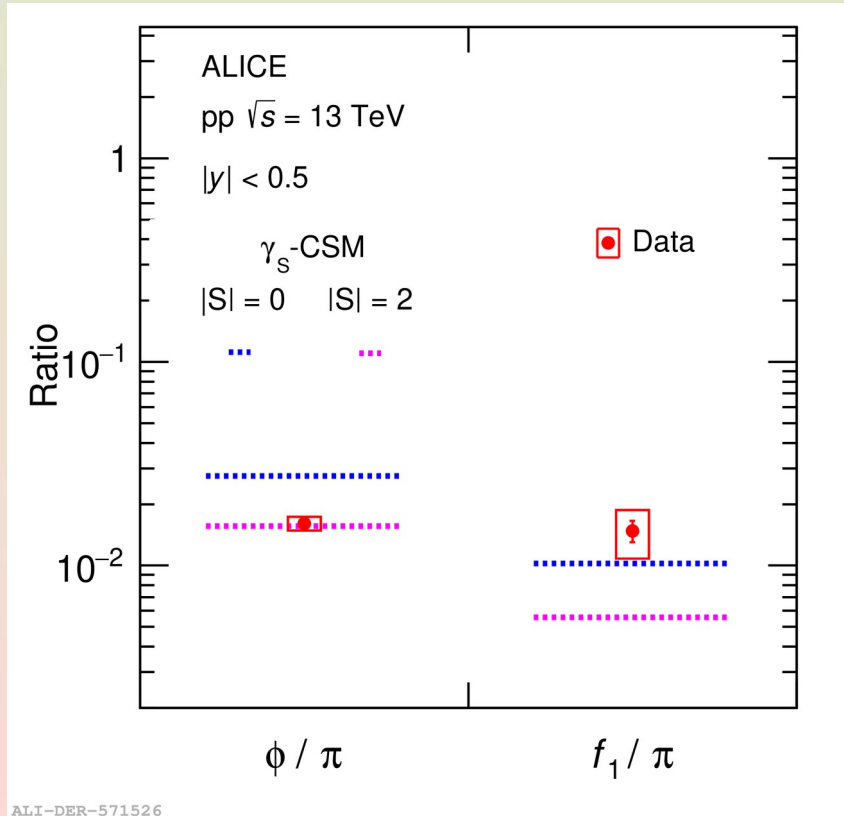


- ✓ First observation of $f_1(1285)$ in ALICE
- ✓ Invariant mass distribution modelled using 3 Breit-Wigner (BW) + Residual function (*Res.fun*)

$$BW = \frac{A}{2\pi} \frac{\Gamma_0}{(M_{K_S^0 K \pi} - M_0)^2 + \Gamma_0^2/4}$$

$$\text{Res. fun} = [M_{K_S^0 K \pi} - (m_\pi + m_{K_S^0})]^n \exp(A + BM_{K_S^0 K \pi} + C M_{K_S^0 K \pi}^2)$$

Quark content and structure of $f_1(1285)$



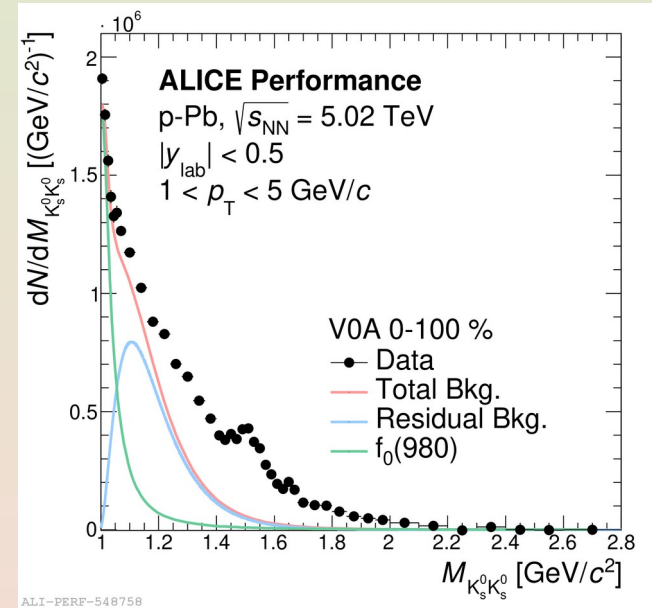
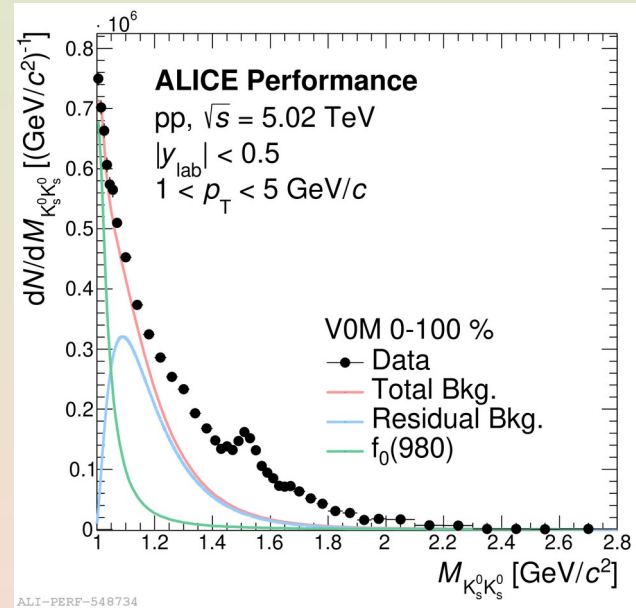
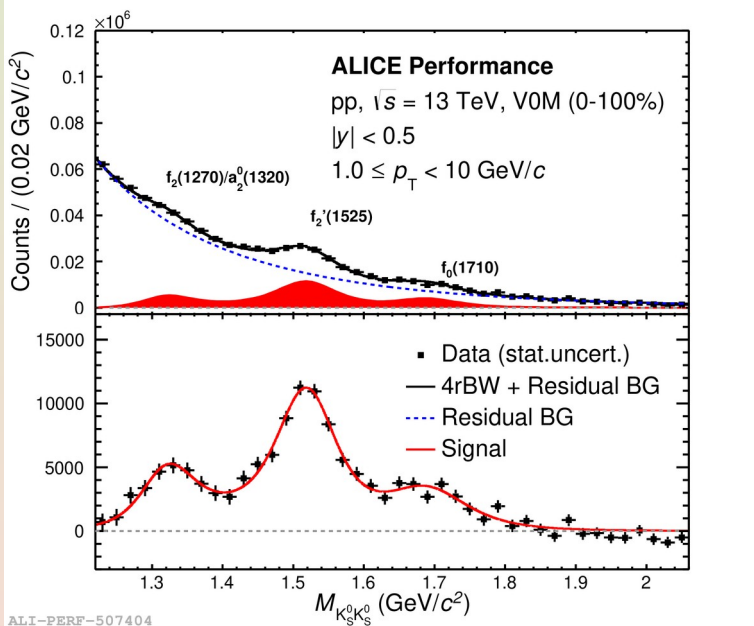
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For baseline:

- ✓ ϕ is a double strange particle in γ_S -CSM
- ✓ ϕ/π is consistent with $|S| = 2$
- ✓ f_1/π is consistent with $|S| = 0$ within 1σ
- ✓ Disfavors tetraquark structure

Volodymyr Vovchenko et al., *Phys. Rev. C* 100 (2019) 054906
PRL 112 (2014), 091802

Glueball hunt



- ✓ Possible glueball candidate in $K_s^0 K_s^0$ decay channel
- ✓ Invariant mass distribution modelled using Relativistic Breit-Wigner + Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution

Summary

- ✓ ALICE continues to measure a varied set of exotic resonances
- ✓ First measurement of inclusive $f_0(980)$ and $f_1(1285)$ resonances in ALICE
- ✓ Comparison of experimental data with thermal model calculations rules out the presence of strange quarks in $f_0(980)$ and $f_1(1285)$ resonances
- ✓ No Cronin like enhancement is observed for $f_0(980)$, indicating an ordinary meson structure
- ✓ Promising signal of scalar glueball candidate $f_0(1710)$ in ALICE
- ✓ More exciting results await with large statistics Run 3 data

Thank you

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