Studies of heavy quark dynamics using B mesons with the CMS experiment

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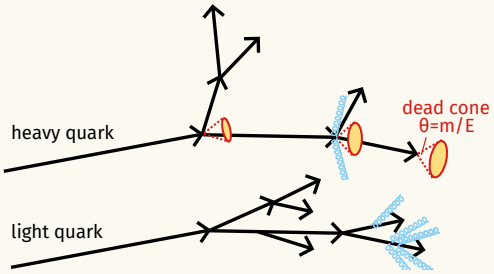
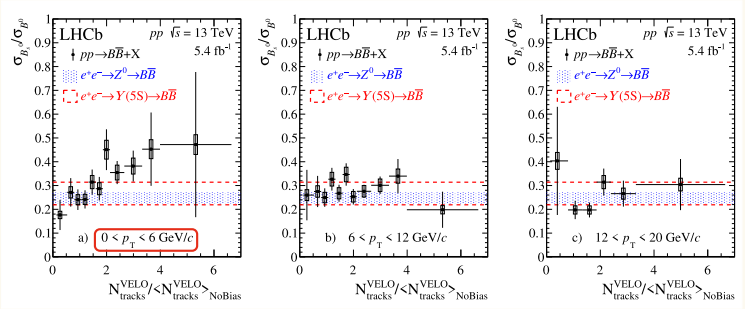
B mesons R_{AA} probes the properties of QGP

- Mass dependence of parton energy loss
  - Dead-cone effect: less radiative energy loss for heavy quarks
- Beauty diffusion coefficient
  - Brownian motion of b quark in the medium



Coalescence and strangeness enhancement with B mesons

- Hadronization: in addition to fragmentation, b quarks also recombine with nearby constituent quarks into hadrons
- Enhanced B_s^0 R_{AA} compared to B^+ expected at low p_T



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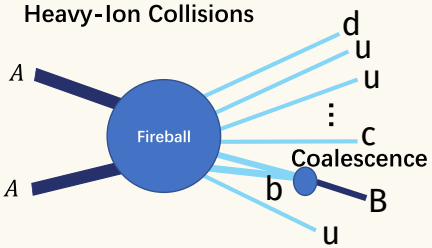

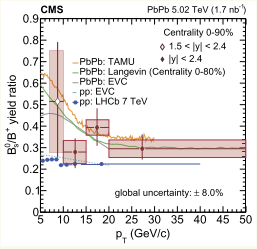

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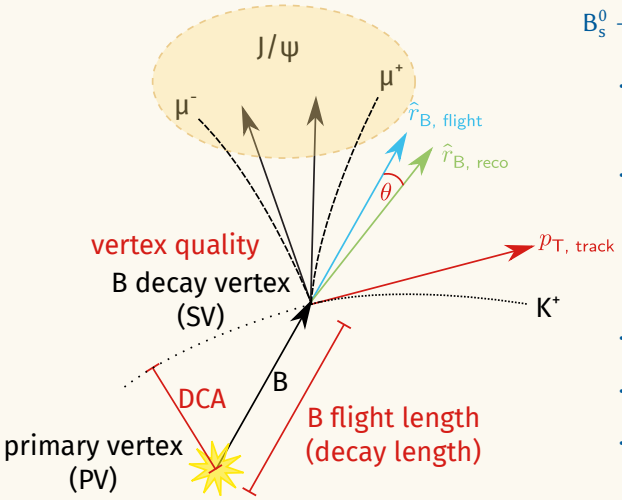
B_s^0/B^+ event selection

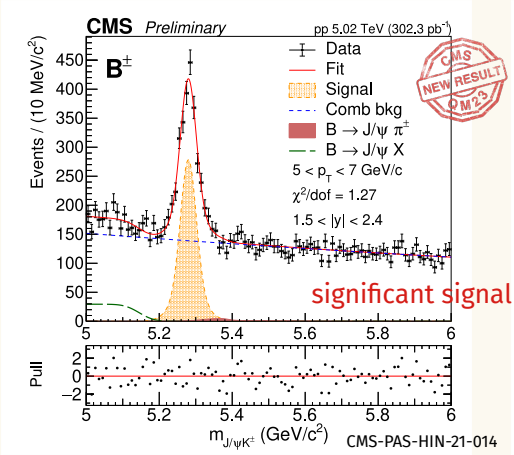


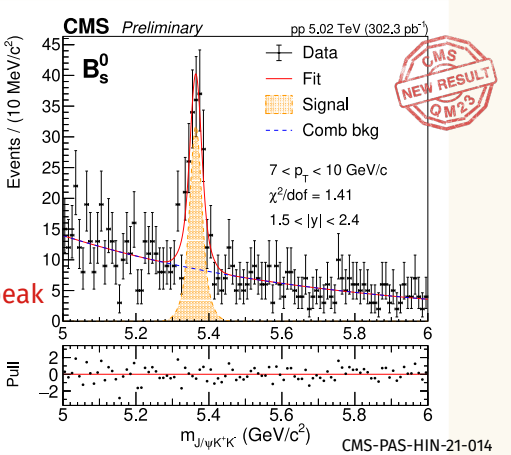
$B^+ \to J/\psi K^+ \to \mu^-\mu^+K^+$

$B_s^0 \to J/\psi\phi(1020) \to \mu^-\mu^+K^+K^-$

- Long-lived B mesons
  → large decay length significance
- Angle between B flight direction and PV-SV displacement
  $\cos\theta = \hat{r}_{B,\,flight} \cdot \hat{p}_{T,\,RECO}$
  Expect $\hat{r}_{B,\,flight} \parallel \hat{p}_{T,\,RECO}$
- χ^2 Probability of the decay vertex
- p_T of the daughter tracks
- Track DCA (in z and x-y direction)

B_s^0/B^+ Yield extraction

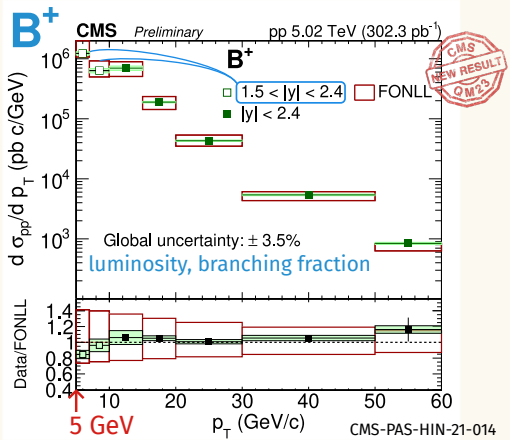


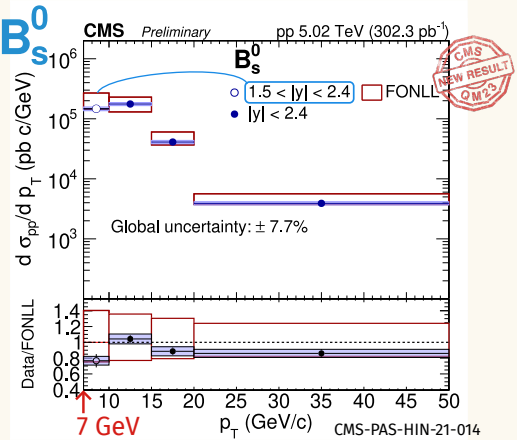


significant signal peak

- B^+ (semi-)peaking background:
  - Error function: Partially reconstructed B decay (e.g. $B^0 \to J/\psi(K^* \to K^+\pi^-)$
  - Double bifurcated Gaussian: misidentified π in $B^+ \to J/\psi\pi^+$

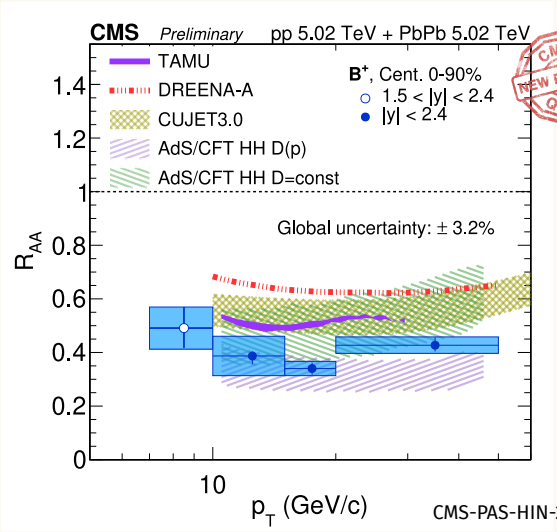
Cross sections in pp collisions





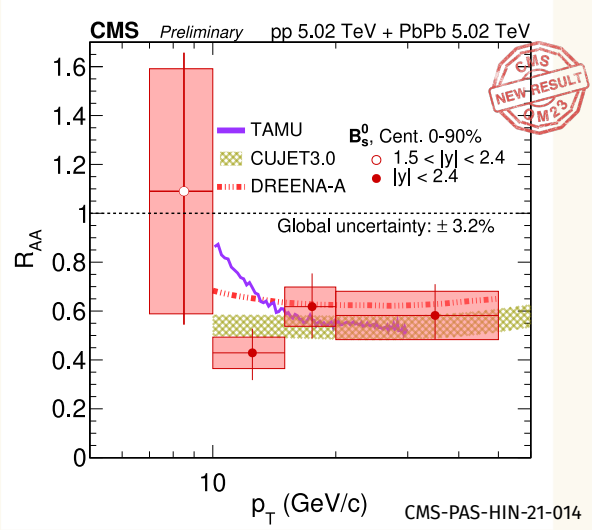
- Larger cross section at lower p_T, consistent with FONLL calculation
- Kinematic constraints to go down to lower p_T
- Dominant systematics from inaccurate description of MC to Data

B^+ R_{AA} compared with theory



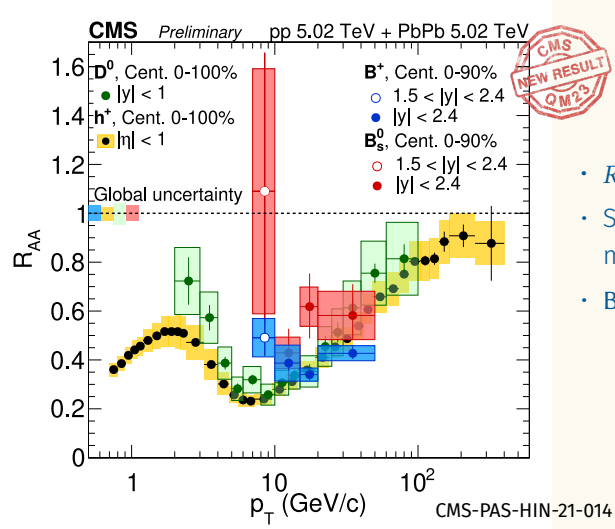
- DREENA-A, CUJET3.0: (perturbative QCD) collisional and radiative energy loss
- TAMU: (transport model) collisional energy loss
- AdS/CFT HH: thermal fluctuations in the energy loss; diffusion coefficient dependence on quark momentum
- Provides constraining power on the mechanism of beauty quark energy loss and hadronization

B_s^0 R_{AA}



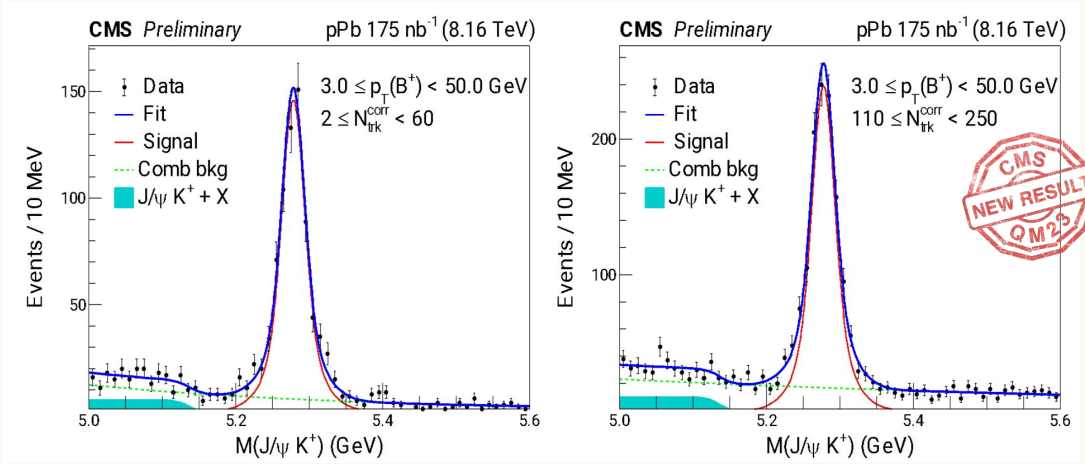
- $p_T < 15$ GeV:
  - TAMU: includes recombination
  - CUJET3.0: doesn't include recombination
- Roughly compatible with all 3 theory predictions within uncertainty

B mesons R_{AA} compared to light flavors



- R_{AA} converge at high p_T
- Splitting between B and D^0 at low p_T: mass hierarchy
- B_s^0 R_{AA} larger than B^+: smaller suppression

Bridging the gap: B^+ production in the pPb system



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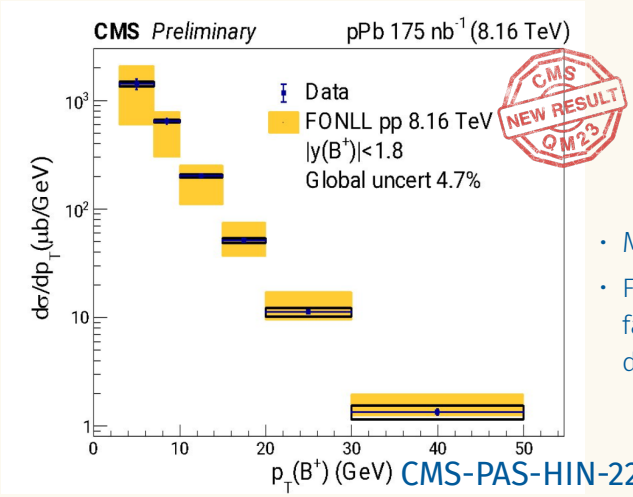
B^+ $d\sigma/dp_T$ in pPb agrees with FONLL



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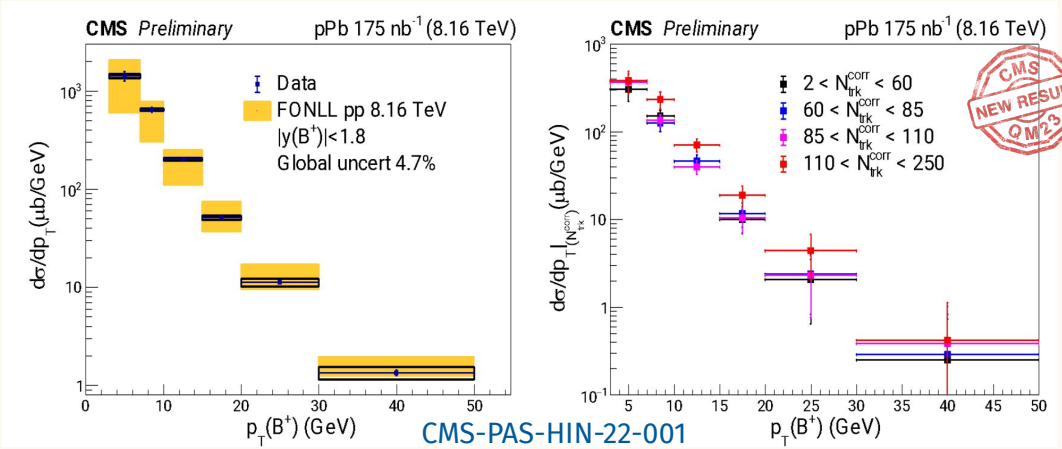
- Much smaller uncertainties than FONLL
- FONLL uncertainties: renormalization and factorization scales, b mass, parton distribution functions

First measurement of B^+ as a function of N_{ch} in pPb



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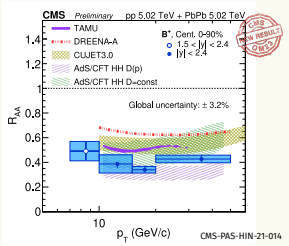
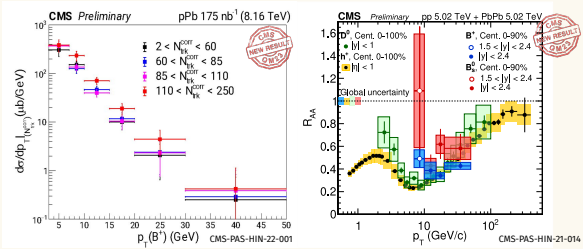
Summary

- Measured B meson cross section down to 5 GeV and R_{AA} down to 7 GeV
- Improved precision of the B^+ and B_s^0 meson R_{AA}
- Able to distinguish different models based on the new accuracy
- A trend of B_s^0 R_{AA} larger than B^+ R_{AA}
- B meson R_{AA} larger than D^0 and light flavor at $p_T < 10$ GeV
- First B^+ measurement in pPb as a function of N_{ch}





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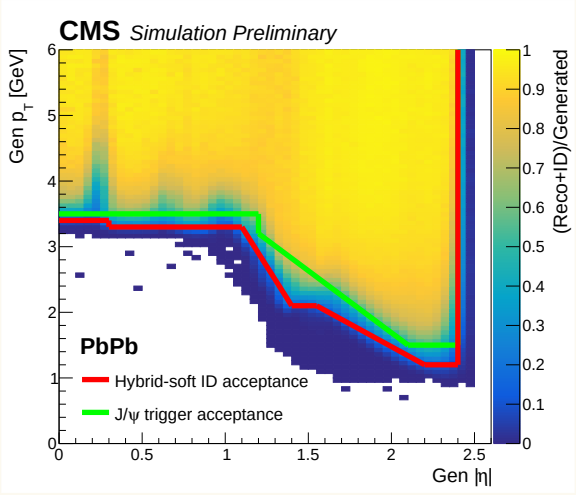
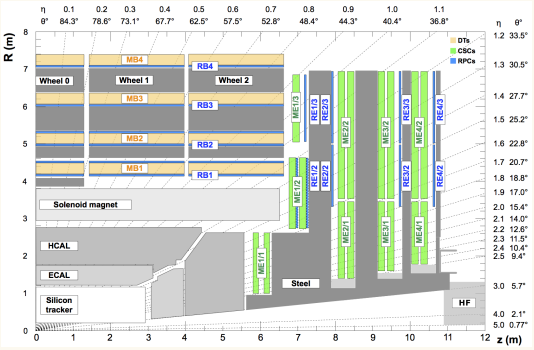
Backup

Muon acceptance





- Acceptance: material, magnetic field

Systematic uncertainties

Source	p_T (GeV/c) 5–7	7–10	10–15	15–20	20–30	30–50	50–60	20–50
Hadron tracking efficiency	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4
Track selection	1.8	0.31	0.43	0.37	0.27	0.052	1.6	0.24
Data-MC discrepancy	4.7	7.2	7.2	0.98	0.87	0.92	0.83	0.84
p_T shape	0.02	0.0054	0.013	0.0095	0.0047	0.0032	0.018	0.0031
PDF variation	2.1	1.4	3.2	1.1	0.69	1.8	2.4	0.57
Muon efficiency	0.47	0.45	0.37	0.36	0.43	0.64	0.64	0.47
Bkg contamination of efficiency	1.5	2.8	0.84	0.41	0.46	0.18	1.1	0.41
Sum	6.2	8.3	8.3	2.9	2.7	3.2	4.1	2.7
Luminosity $\mathcal{L}$				1.9				
Branching fractions				2.9				
Sum (global systematics)				3.5				

p_T (GeV/c) 7–10	10–15	15–20	20–50
4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8
0.65	0.2	2.7	0.78
3.7	1.9	1.7	1.5
0.045	0.015	0.0037	0.0024
3.6	2	2.9	3.2
0.46	0.38	0.35	0.45
1.1	2.3	0.28	0.38
7.2	6	6.5	6
		1.9	
		7.5	
		7.7	

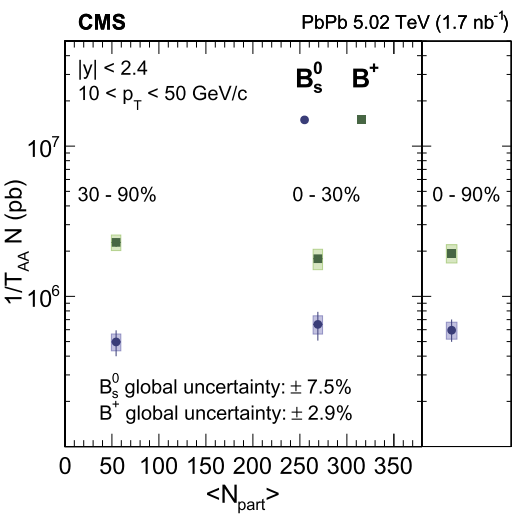
- Tracking efficiency: 2.4% per track
- Dominant systematics from inaccurate description of MC (especially DLS)

Data-averaged 2D map efficiency correction

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\alpha(p_{\mathrm{T}}, y) \times \varepsilon(p_{\mathrm{T}}, y)} \right\rangle = \frac{\sum_{i,j}^{N_i, N_j} \frac{1}{\alpha(p_{\mathrm{T}}, y)\varepsilon_{i,j}(p_{\mathrm{T}}, y)} n_{i,j}(p_{\mathrm{T}}, y)}{\sum_{i,j}^{N_i, N_j} n_{i,j}(p_{\mathrm{T}}, y)},$$

- Independent of the p_{T} distribution from MC
- Account for the correlation between p_{T} and y
- Regularize the distribution by taking the inverse of the total efficiency

Multiplicity dependence in PbPb yield



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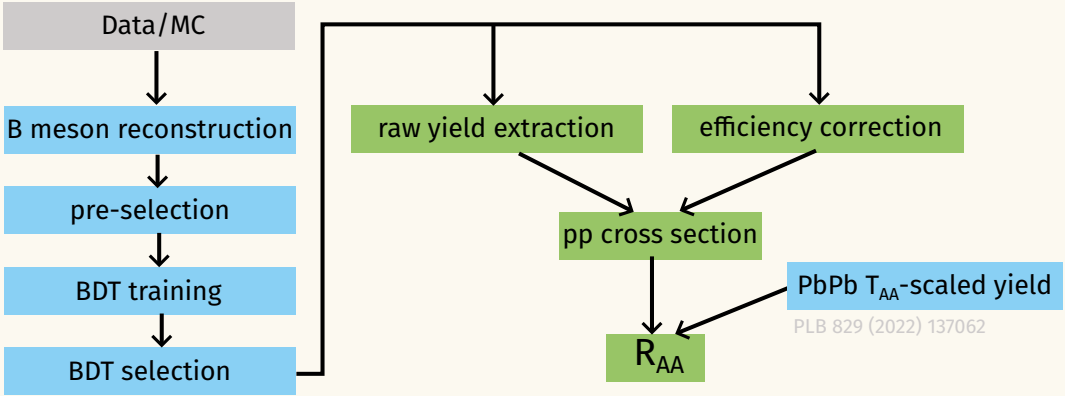
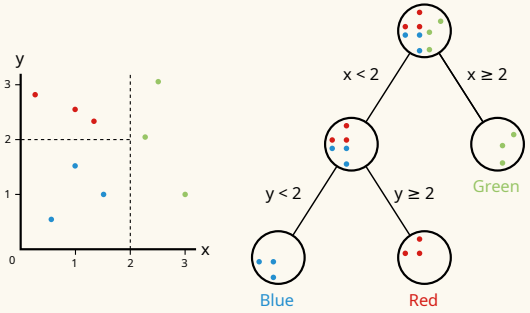
Analysis procedure



Cut optimization

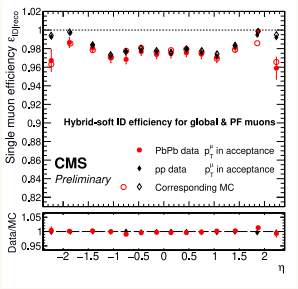
- Maximize the discriminating power by training a machine learning algorithm in the multi-dimensional parameter space.
- Boosted Decision Tree (BDT):
  - Select on each variable sequentially in a tree structure
  - Train many weak classifiers with subsets of randomly selected samples, emphasizing the misclassified events

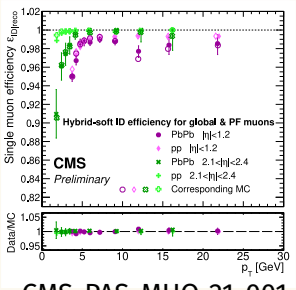


B_s^0/B^+ production yield calculation

$$\frac{d\sigma_{pp}}{dp_T} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{N_{obs}(p_T)}{\mathcal{B}\,\mathcal{L}}\frac{1}{\Delta p_T}\left\langle \frac{1}{\alpha(p_T, y)\,\epsilon(p_T, y)} \right\rangle,$$

- Acceptance and efficiency corrected using a fine (p_T, y) 2D map
- Muon efficiency corrected by data/MC scale factors using J/ψ





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