

# Quarkonium production in proton-nucleus at LHC

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# Introduction: quarkonium in proton-nucleus

- **Quarkonium** states are a **benchmark for QCD** studies
  - High mass → mostly produced in the initial state of the collision (hard scattering)
  - probe of QGP in PbPb → **Sequential melting of quarkonia states**
  - simpler systems ( $p$ Pb) gateway to more complex (PbPb)
- **Cold Nuclear Matter (CNM)** effects: modifications of particle production yields in ion collisions with respect to  $pp$  that are **not due to formation of a deconfined medium**
- Many applicable approaches (not necessarily factorisable):
  - PDF modification (nPDF) → (anti)shadowing HELAC-ONIA: CPC 198 (2016) 238  
FONLL: JHEP 05 (1998) 007
  - gluon saturation → Color Glass Condensate B. Ducloué et al., PRD 91 (2015) 114005  
PRD 94 (2016) 074031
  - parton propagation in medium → Coherent energy loss F. Arleo, S. Peigné, JHEP 03 (2013) 122
  - break up in nuclear matter
  - break up by comoving particles E. G. Ferreira et al., arXiv:1804.04474;  
Phys. Lett. B749 (2015) 98, arXiv:1411.0549
- **Different approaches** can describe data simultaneously, look at
  - dependencies ( $\eta$ ,  $p_T$ ,  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ , multiplicity ...)
  - different (excited) states

# Experimental considerations in collider mode

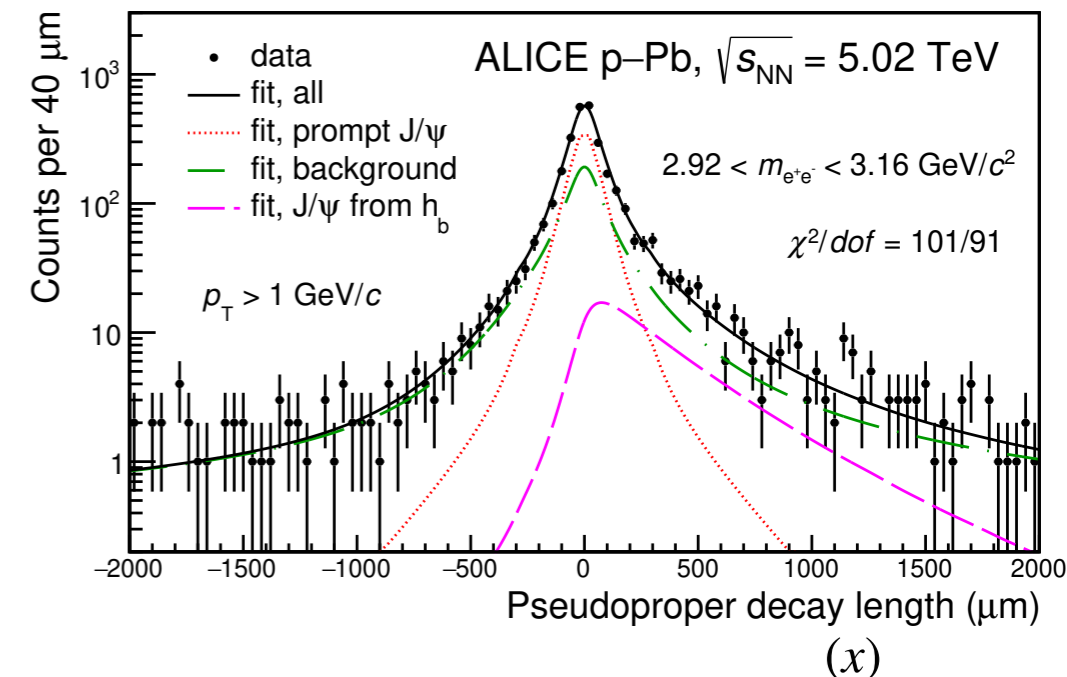
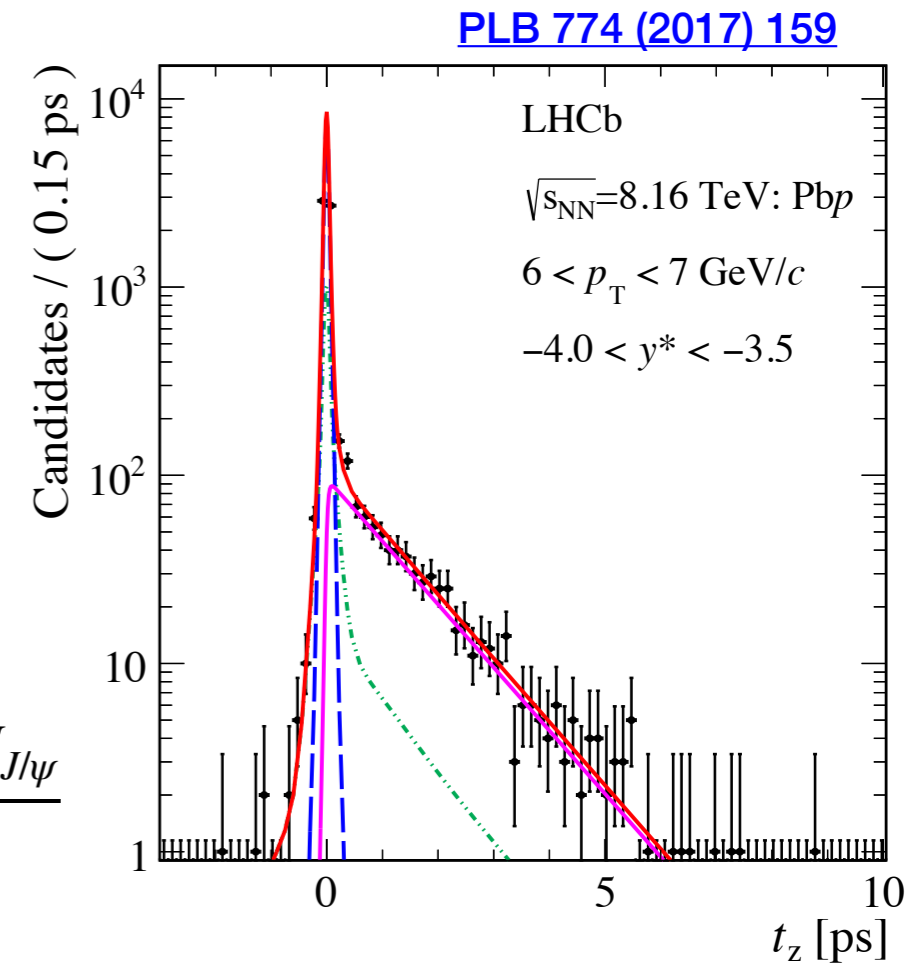
- Similar techniques to  $pp$  measurements
- $J/\psi$ ,  $\psi(2s)$ ,  $\Upsilon(nS)$   $\rightarrow$  dilepton decays
- Experimentally at LHC, we distinguish:
  - prompt  $\rightarrow$  from primary collision vertex + feed-down
  - non-prompt  $\rightarrow$  from displaced vertices ( $B$  hadron decays)

(bottomonium states always prompt)

$$t_z = \frac{(z_{J/\psi} - z_{PV}) \times M_{J/\psi}}{p_z}$$

- Other states/decay channels not yet (much) explored:
  - Radiative decays:  $\chi_{cn} \rightarrow \gamma J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+)$
  - decays to hadrons:  $\rightarrow p\bar{p}$ ;  $\rightarrow hhh$ ;  $\rightarrow hh\dots$ 
    - \* small BF or experimental difficulties (large combinatorial background)

$$x = \frac{c \times L_{xy} \times m_{J/\psi}}{p_T}$$



# LHC experiment capabilities (Run 1/2)

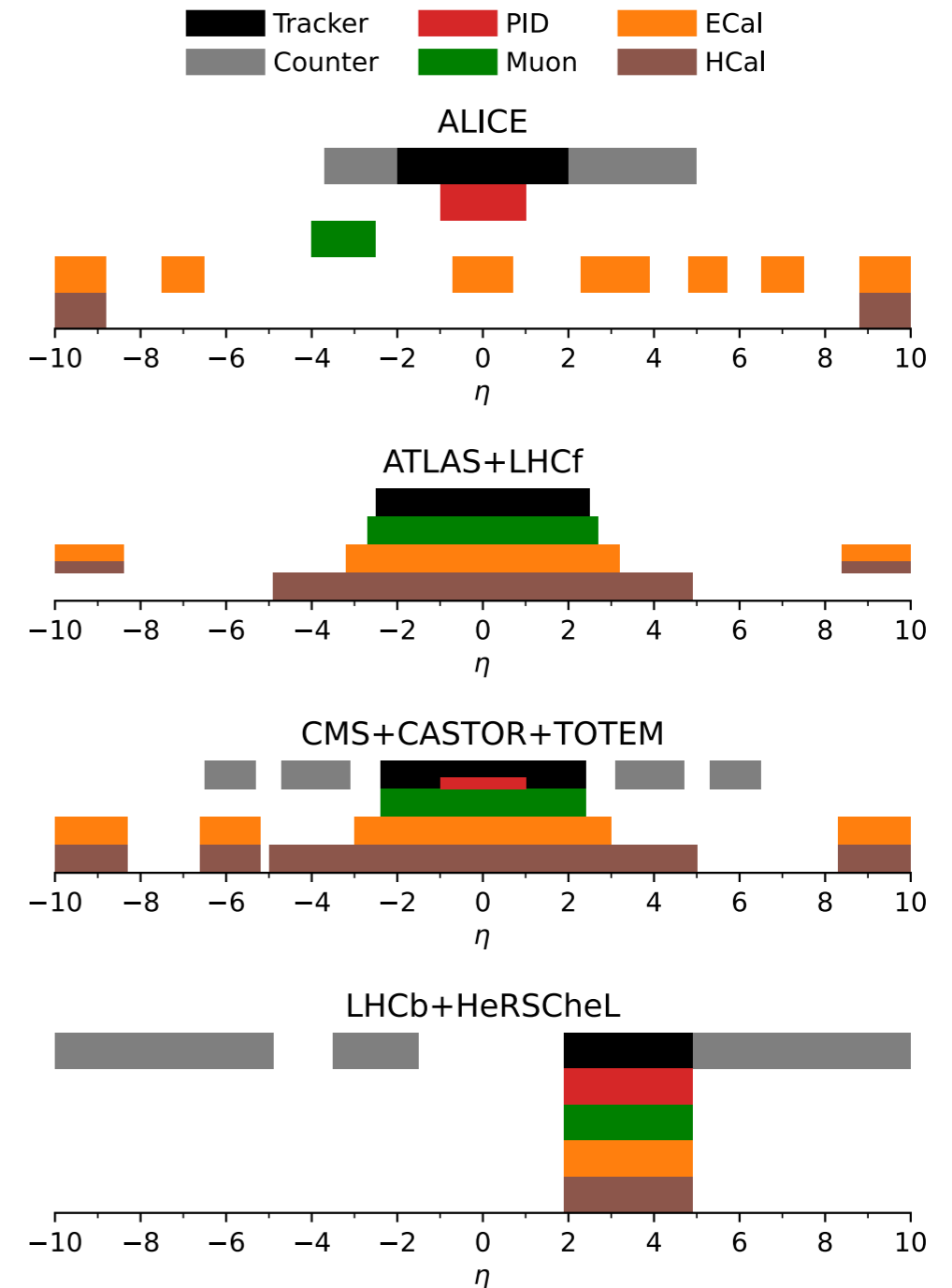
- ALICE:
  - central barrel ( $J/\psi$  in  $-1.37 < y^* < 0.43$ )
    - \* reconstruction with  $e^+e^-$  decay
    - \* smaller data set due to lower data-rate
    - \* prompt-non prompt separation down to  $p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}/c$
  - forward muon spectrometer ( $2.03 < y^* < 3.53$ ,  $-4.46 < y^* < -2.96$ )
    - \* only inclusive charmonium in Run1/2
- LHCb ( $1.5 < \eta^* < 4.0$ ,  $-4.5 < \eta^* < -2.5$ )
  - prompt vs non-prompt separation down to  $p_T = 0$
  - hadronic final states
- CMS ( $-2.4 < y^* < 1.93$ ) & ATLAS ( $|y^*| < 2$ )
  - prompt vs non-prompt separation for  $p_T \gtrsim 4 \text{ GeV}/c$
  - best for high-mass ( $\Upsilon(nS)$ ) and high  $p_T$  region

ATLAS [JINST 3 \(2008\) S08003](#)

ALICE [JINST 3 \(2008\) S08002](#)

CMS [JINST 3 \(2008\) S08004](#)

LHCb [JINST 3 \(2008\) S08005](#)



from [Astrophys.Space Sci. 367 \(2022\) 3, 27](#)

# Observables

- Differential cross-section  $d\sigma/dp_T \rightarrow$  hard to predict in  $p\text{Pb}$  since production in  $pp$  not yet understood

- Nuclear Modification Factor: test of nuclear effects

$$R_{pA} = \frac{d\sigma_{pA}/dp_T}{A \cdot d\sigma_{pp}/dp_T}$$

$R_{pA} < 1$ : suppression

$R_{pA} = 1$ : no nuclear effects

$R_{pA} > 1$ : enhancement

- Dependence with  $y^*$ ,  $p_T$

- Production with multiplicity:

- Number of charged particles per event at some  $\eta$

- Centrality: including a Glauber model calculation to get  $\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle \rightarrow$  complicated in  $p\text{Pb}$

- Azimuthal correlations with charged hadrons: (“flow”)

[JHEP 02 \(2021\) 002](#)

$$\frac{1}{N_{J/\psi}} \frac{dN^{\text{pair}}}{d\Delta\phi} = \frac{N_{\text{assoc}}}{2\pi} \left[ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^3 2V_{n\Delta} \cos(n\Delta\phi) \right]$$

$$v_n(J/\psi) = V_{n\Delta}(J/\psi, \text{ref}) / \sqrt{V_{n\Delta}(\text{ref}, \text{ref})}$$

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- In  $p\text{Pb}$ , measuring flow difference in high multiplicity events with respect low multiplicity events

flow extracted from reference charged particles

# Prompt $J/\psi$ production

- Long list of prompt  $J/\psi$  production measurements in  $pPb$ 
  - Central rapidities: ALICE, ATLAS and CMS (not down to  $p_T = 0$ )
  - forward/backward rapidities: LHCb and ALICE (inclusive)
- Suppression pattern **described by most approaches**:
  - nPDF(s)
  - CGC (forward region)
  - Coherent energy loss (with and without nPDF)
  - nPDF + final state interaction

At  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$  TeV:

LHCb: [JHEP 11 \(2021\) 181](#), [JHEP 02 \(2014\) 72](#)

ALICE: [JHEP06 \(2022\) 011](#), [Eur. Phys. J. C 78 \(2018\) 466](#), [JHEP 02 \(2014\) 073](#)

CMS: [EPJC 77 \(2017\) 269](#)

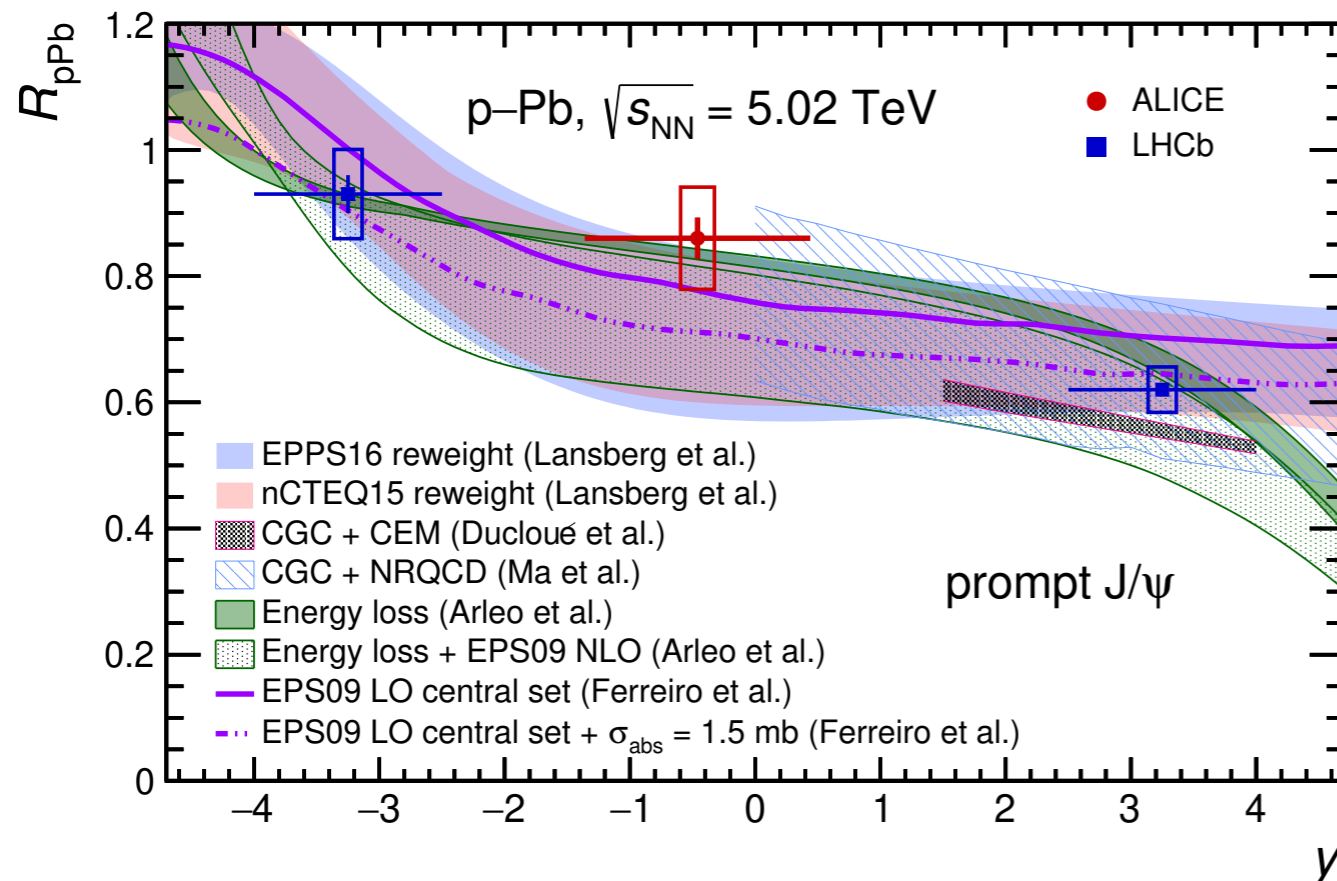
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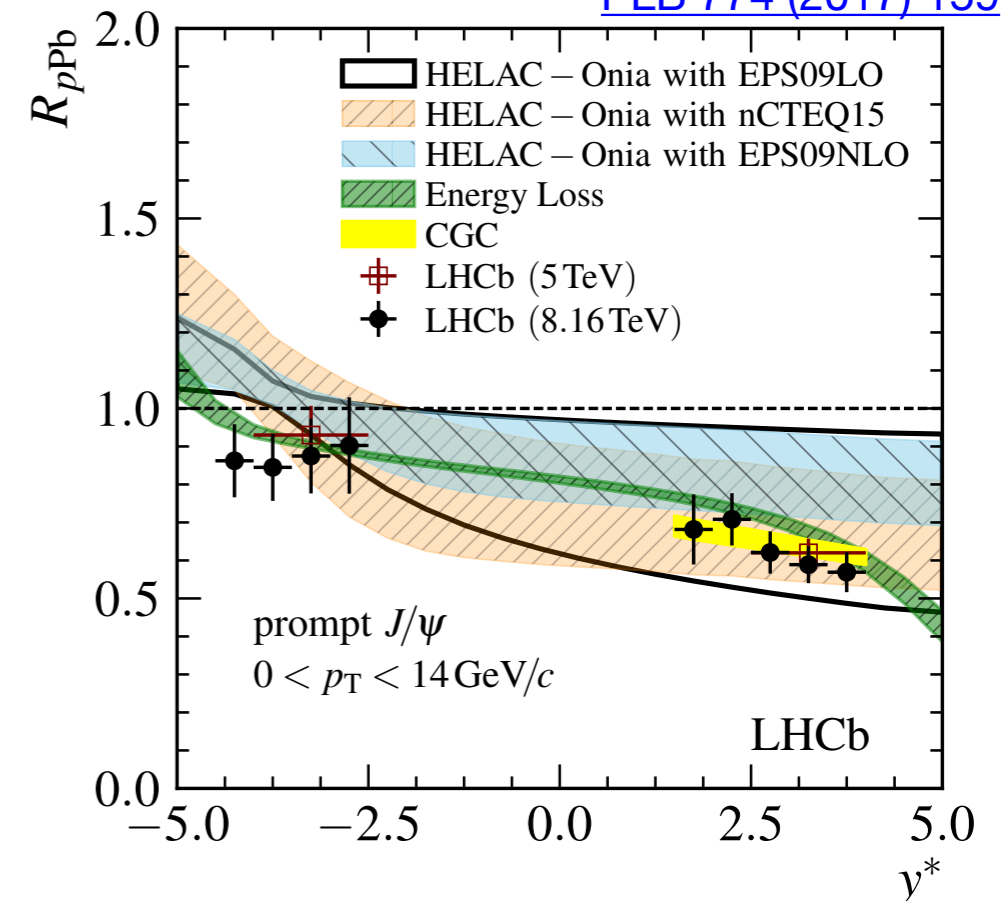
LHCb: [PLB 774 \(2017\) 159](#)

ALICE: [arXiv:2211.14153](#), [JHEP 07 \(2018\) 160](#)

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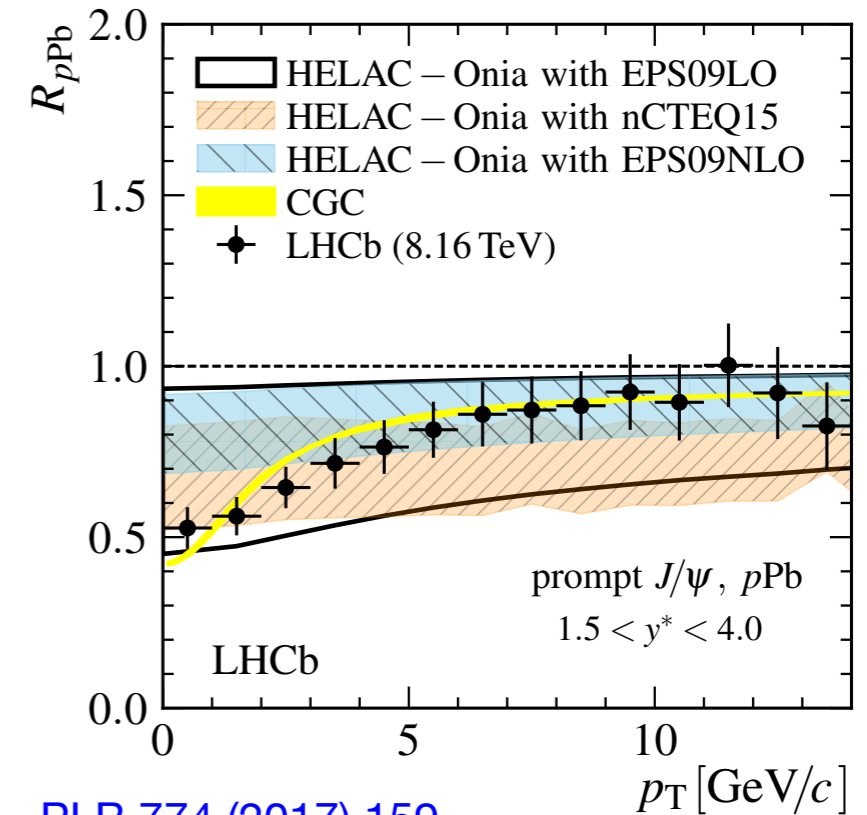
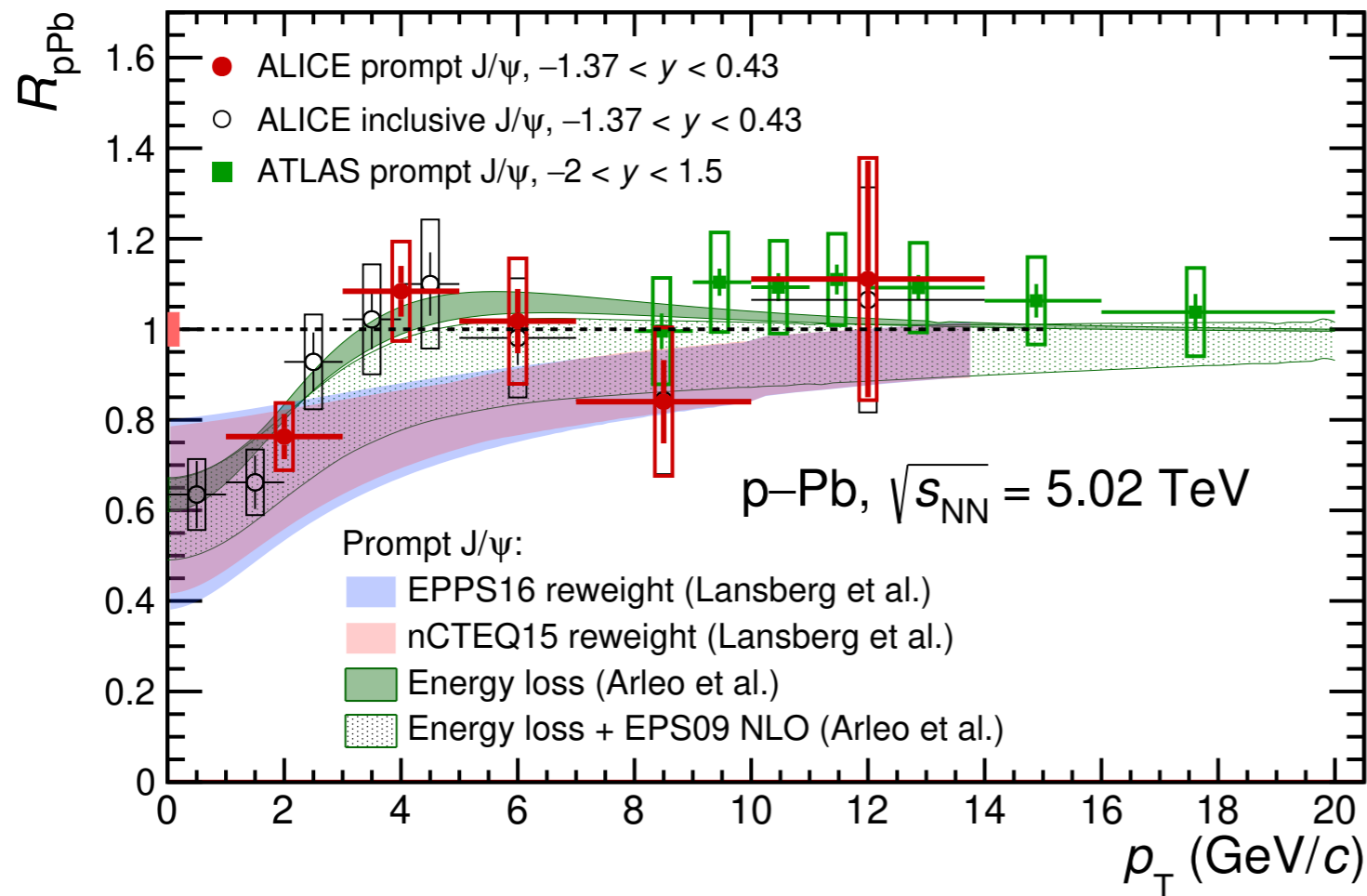
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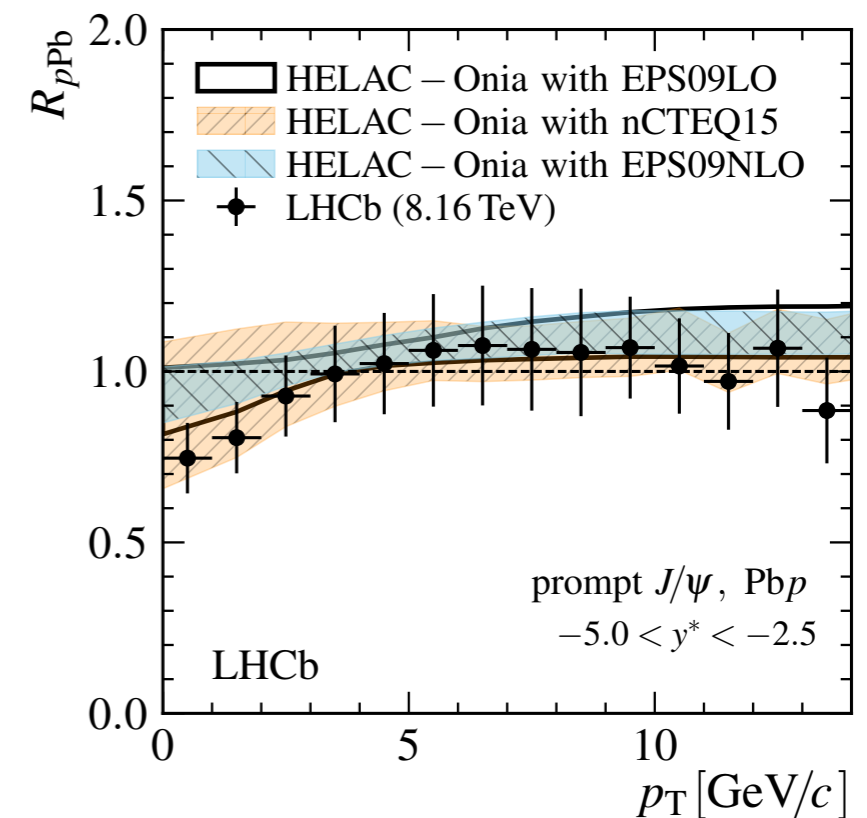
# Prompt $J/\psi$ production - $p_T$ dependence

- Suppression at low  $p_T$
- Transverse momentum dependence also fairly described by models

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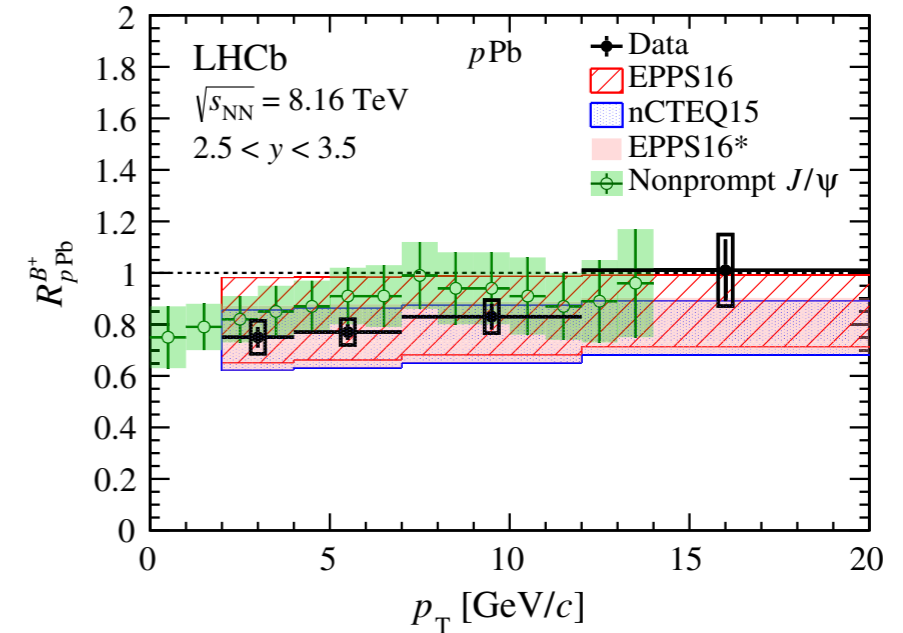
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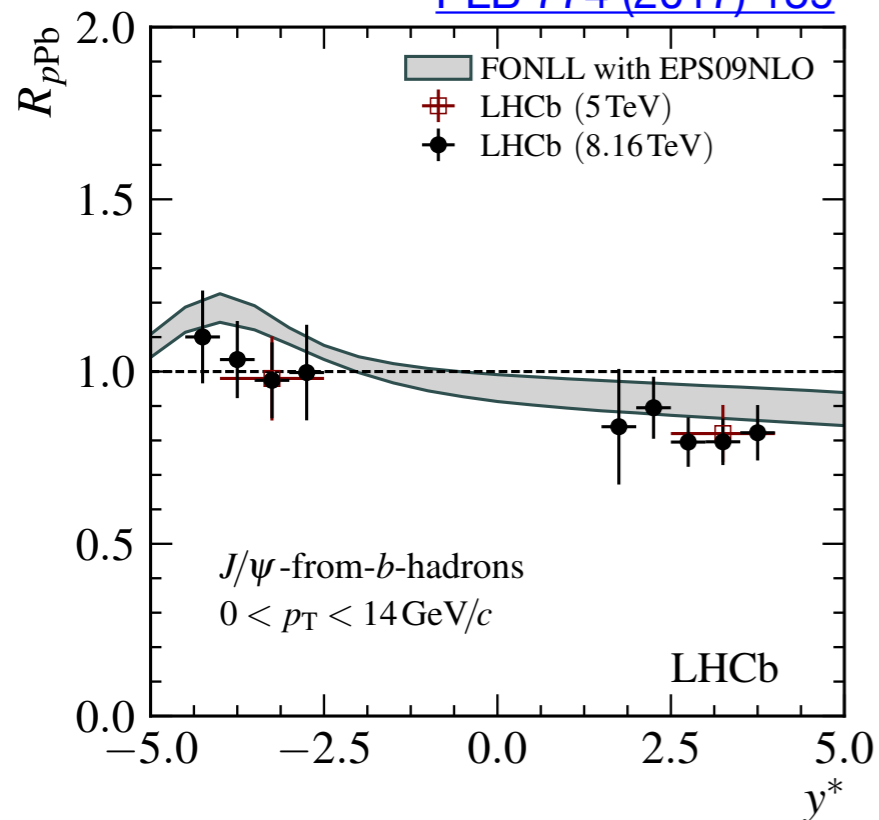
# Non-prompt $J/\psi$ production

- Less suppression than for prompt data
- Non-prompt compatible with  $R_{pPb}$  of  $B^+$
- Data in general agreement with FONLL and nPDF calculations

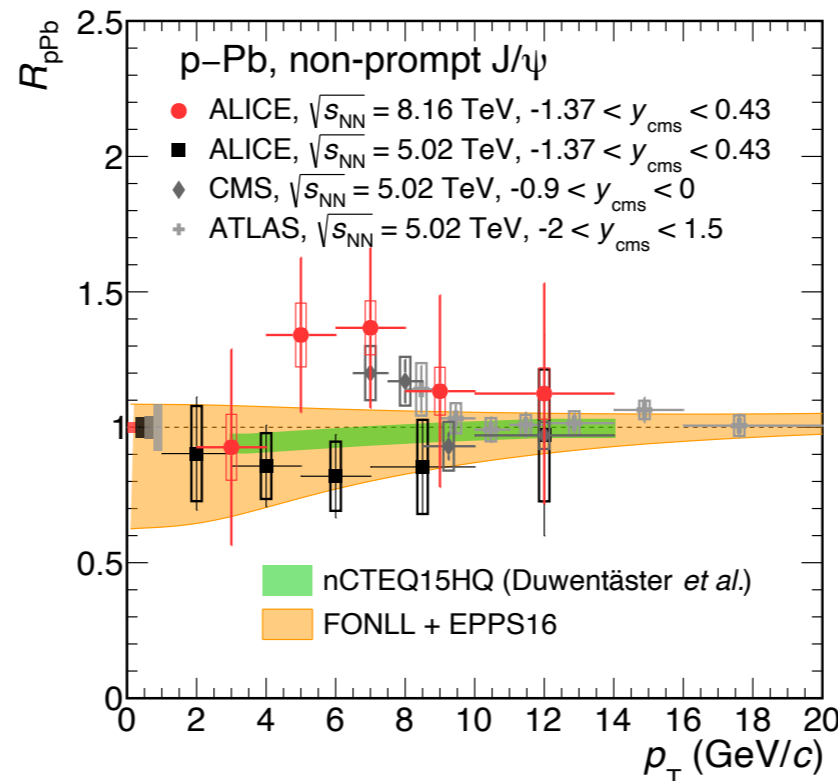
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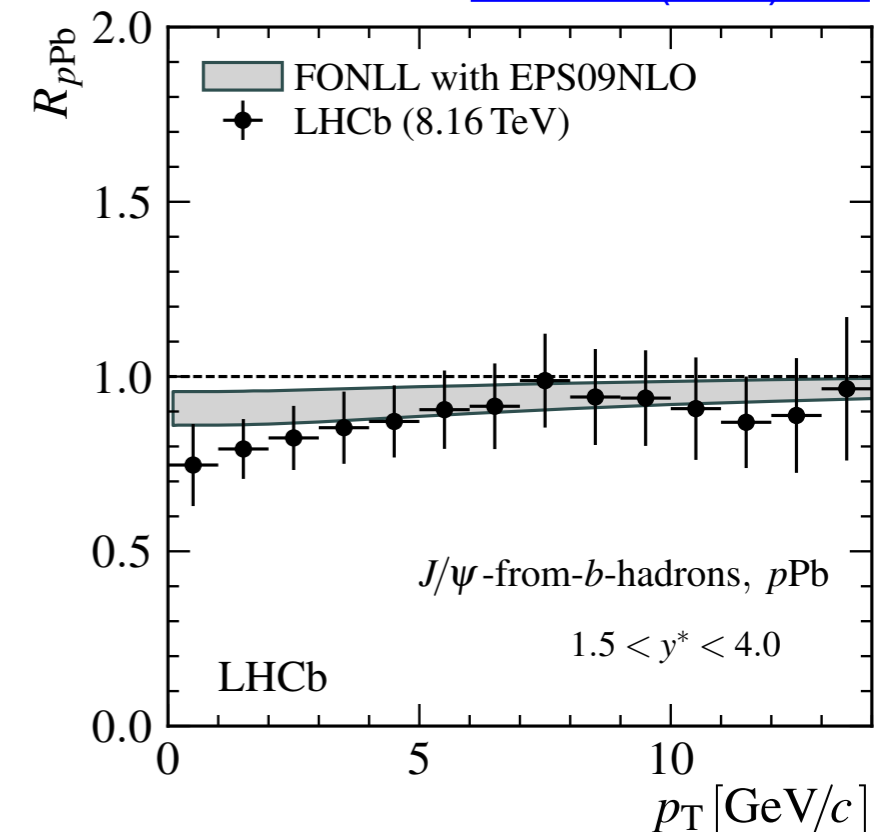
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# Excited states: $\psi(2S)$ production

- Several measurements in  $p\text{Pb}$ :
  - Central rapidities: CMS (not down to  $p_T = 0$ , only prompt), ATLAS ( $p_T > 4 \text{ GeV}/c$ )
  - forward/backward rapidities: LHCb and ALICE (inclusive)
- CNM models underestimate suppression, specially in the backward region
- Non-prompt fraction from LHCb statistically limited at 5 TeV

At  $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 5 \text{ TeV}$ :

LHCb: [JHEP 03 \(2016\) 133](#)

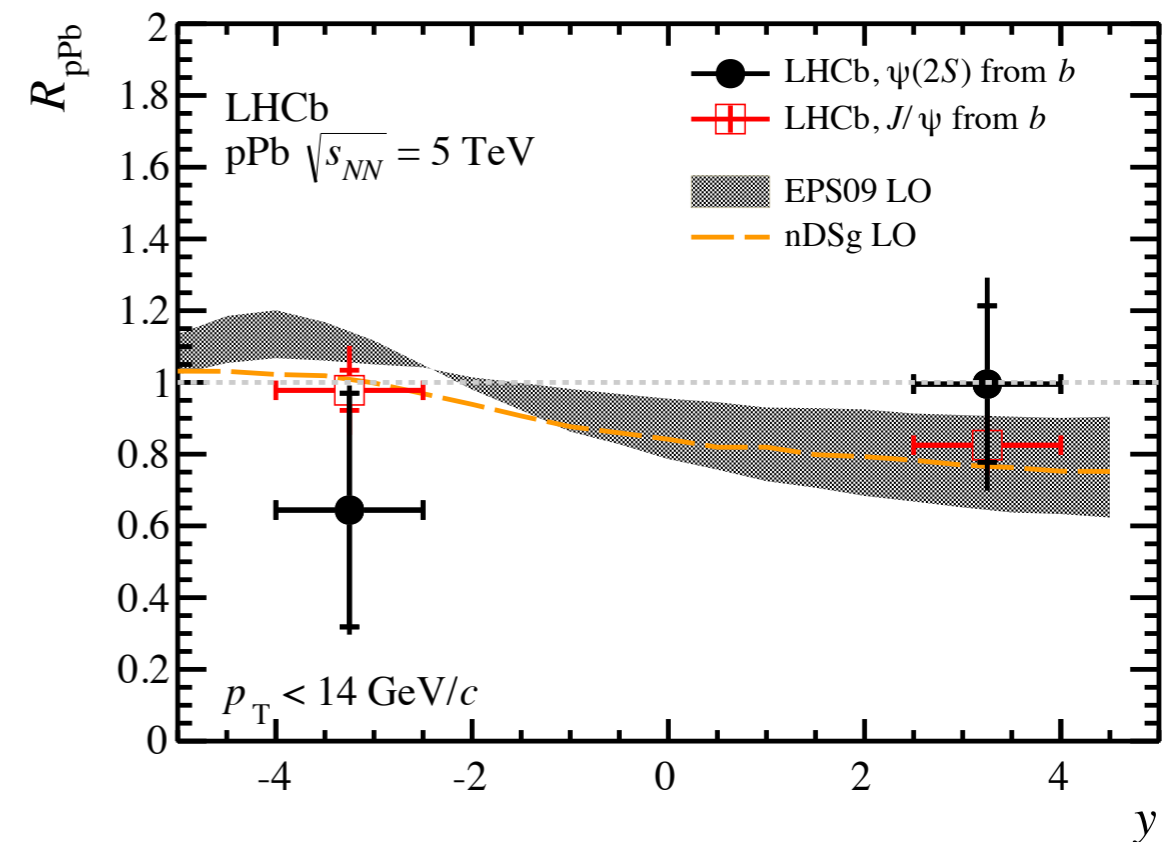
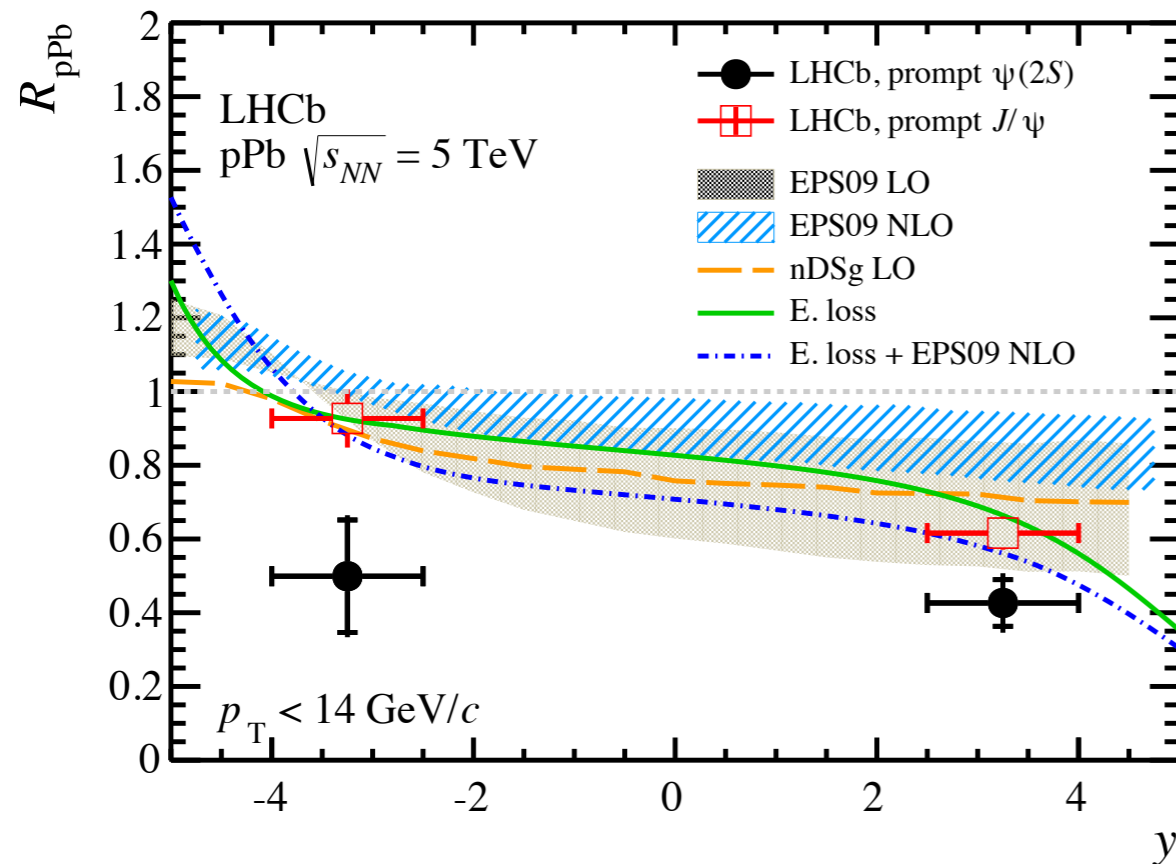
ALICE: [JHEP 12 \(2014\) 073](#)

CMS: [PLB 790 \(2019\) 509](#)

ATLAS: [Eur. Phys. J. C 78 \(2018\) 171](#)

At  $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ :

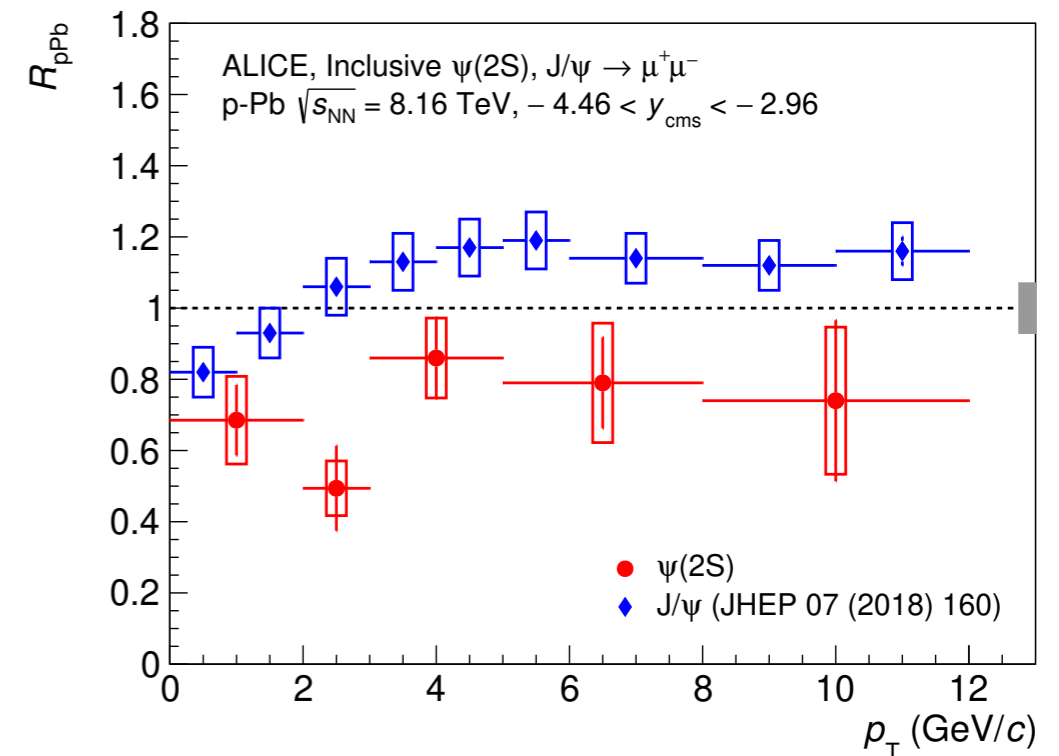
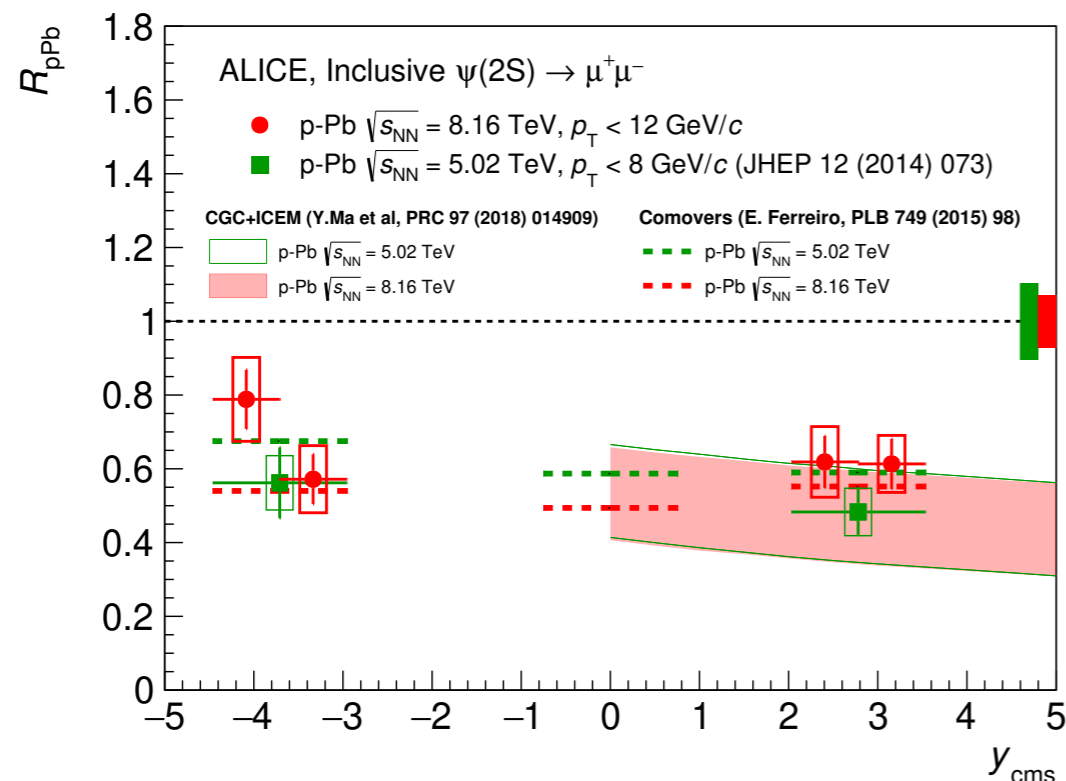
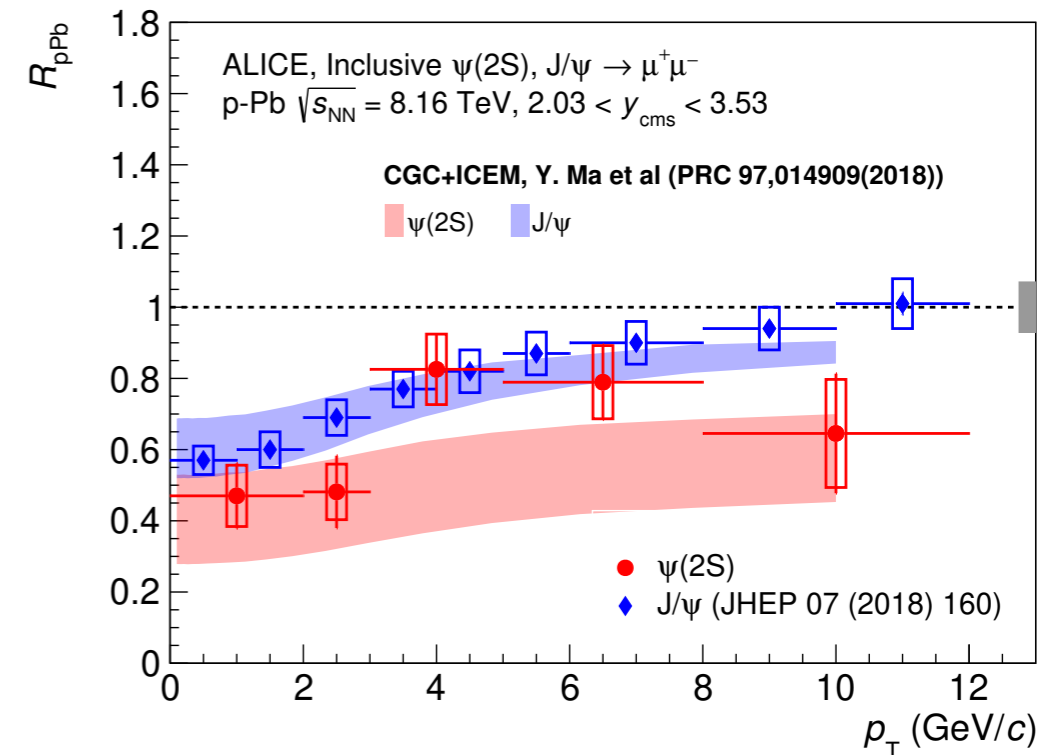
ALICE: [JHEP07 \(2020\) 237](#)



# Excited states: $\psi(2S)$ production

JHEP07 (2020) 237

- $p_T$  spectrum in the forward/backward region extracted by ALICE
- Relative  $\psi(2S)/J/\psi$  suppression stronger at backward rapidity  $\rightarrow$  relation with multiplicity?
  - hint of final state interaction with hadrons (comovers)
  - Initial-state effects cancel in ratio, binding energy of  $\psi(2S)$  lower than that of  $J/\psi$
  - non-prompt contribution not affected, important to separate

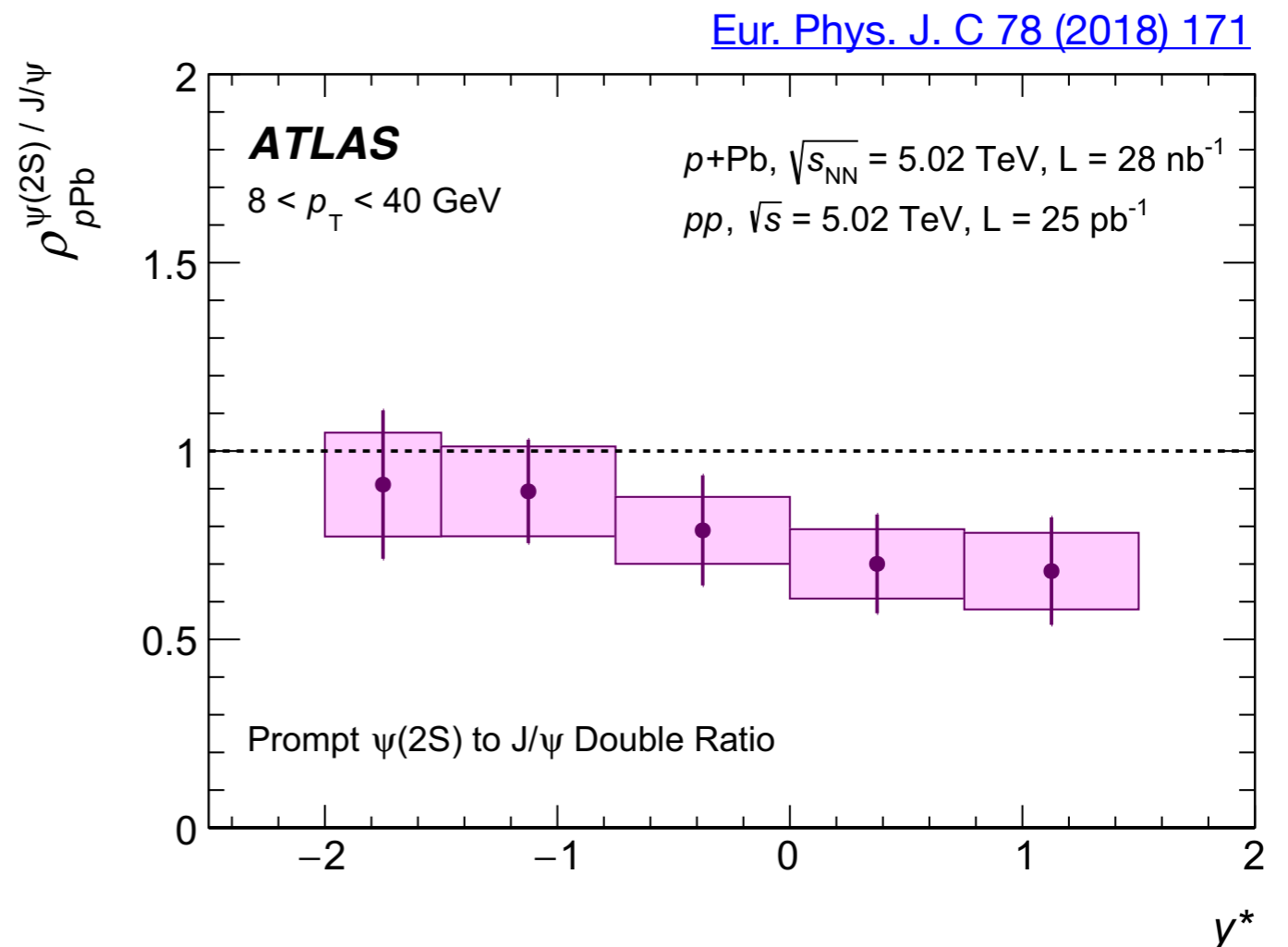
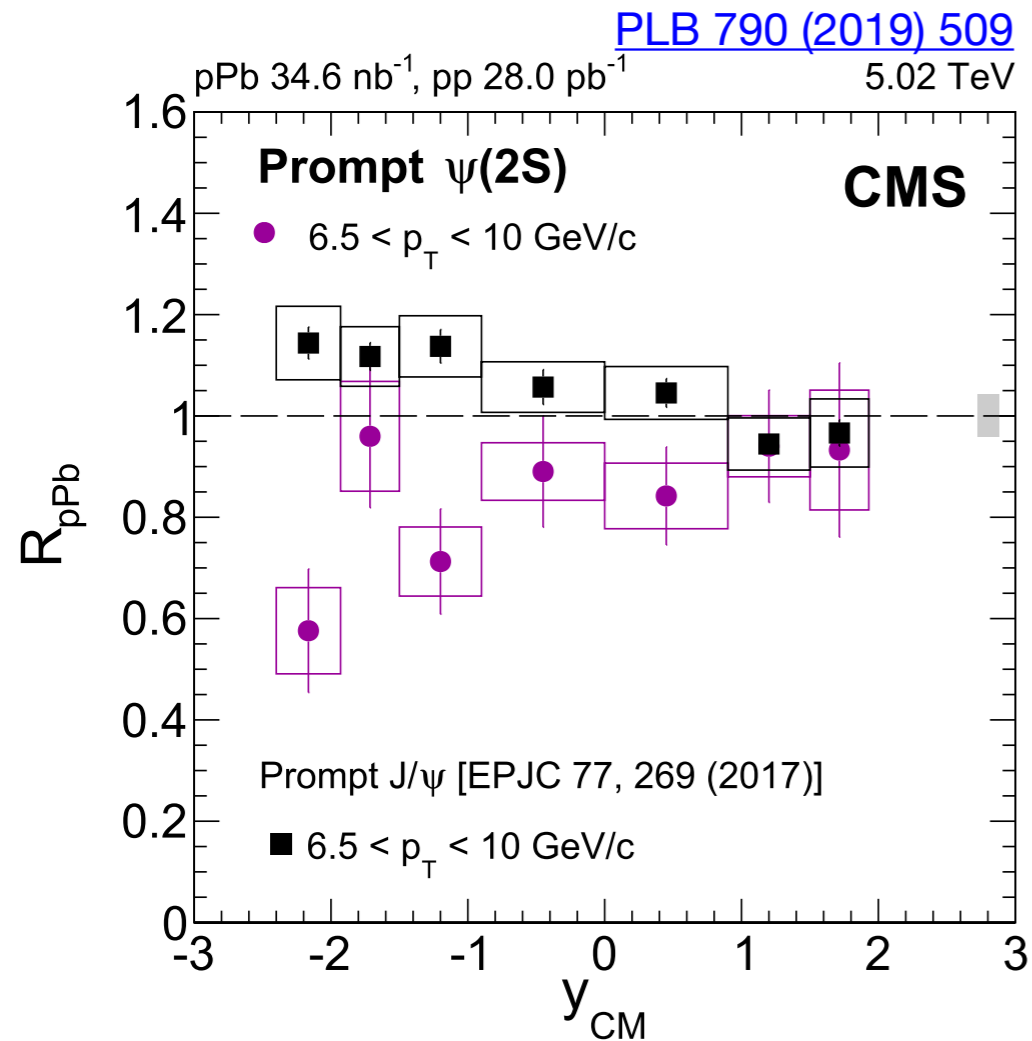


# Excited states: $\psi(2S)$ production

- CMS also sees a stronger  $\psi(2S)$  in backward rapidities

- ATLAS measured double ratio: 
$$\rho_{pPb}^{\psi(2S)/J/\psi} = \frac{\sigma_{pPb}^{\psi(2S)} / \sigma_{pPb}^{J/\psi}}{\sigma_{pp}^{\psi(2S)} / \sigma_{pp}^{J/\psi}}$$

- opposite trend seen at high  $p_T$

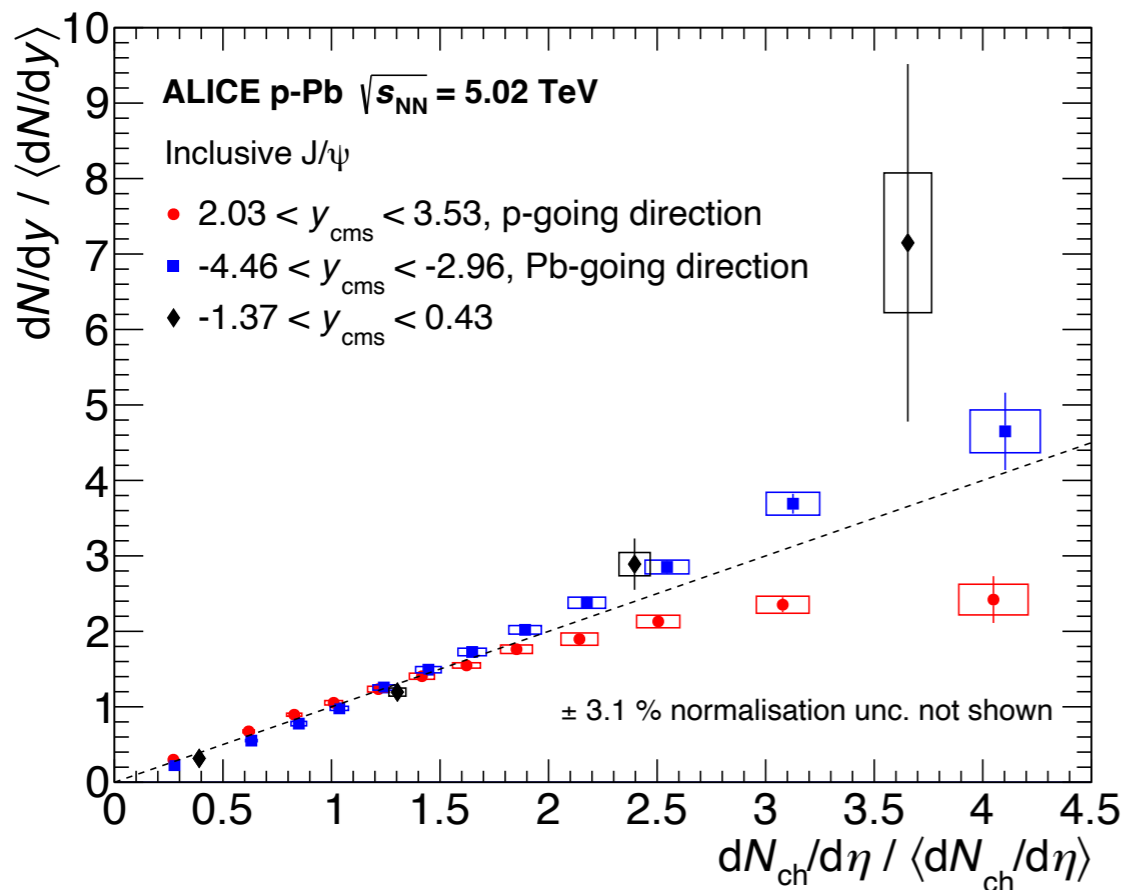


# Production with multiplicity of $J/\psi$ and $\psi(2S)$

- Study production with event charged particle multiplicity normalised by mean multiplicity in NSD events  $\langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle$
- Charged hadron multiplicity measured from SPD tracklets at  $|\eta| < 1$
- Trends depend on quarkonium rapidity for  $dN_{ch}/d\eta / \langle dN_{ch}/d\eta \rangle > 2$
- Saturation or MPIs could explain the trend at mid-rapidity
  - Need to understand how the  $\eta$  region where  $N_{ch}$  is measured affects the result

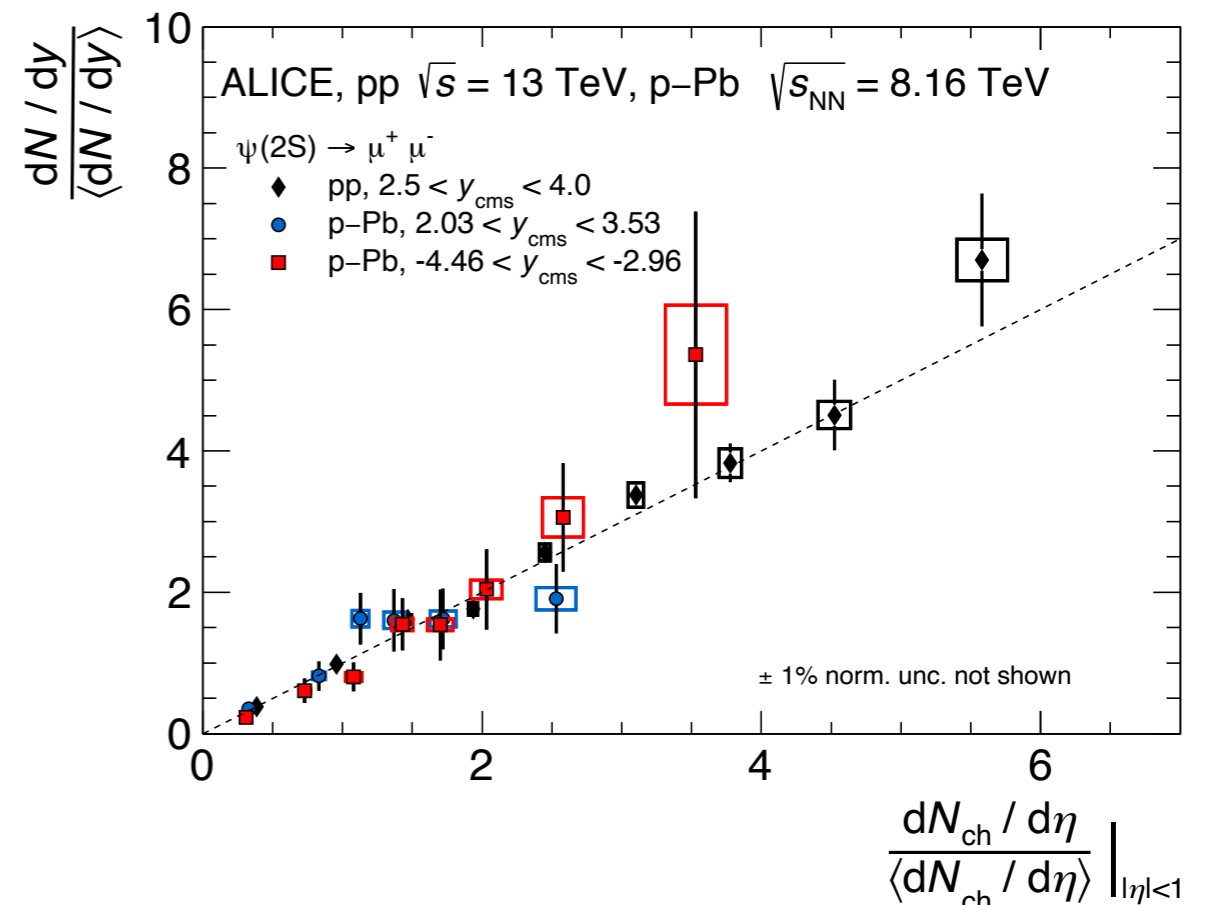
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[Phys. Lett. B 776 \(2018\) 91](#)



[arXiv:2204.10253](#)

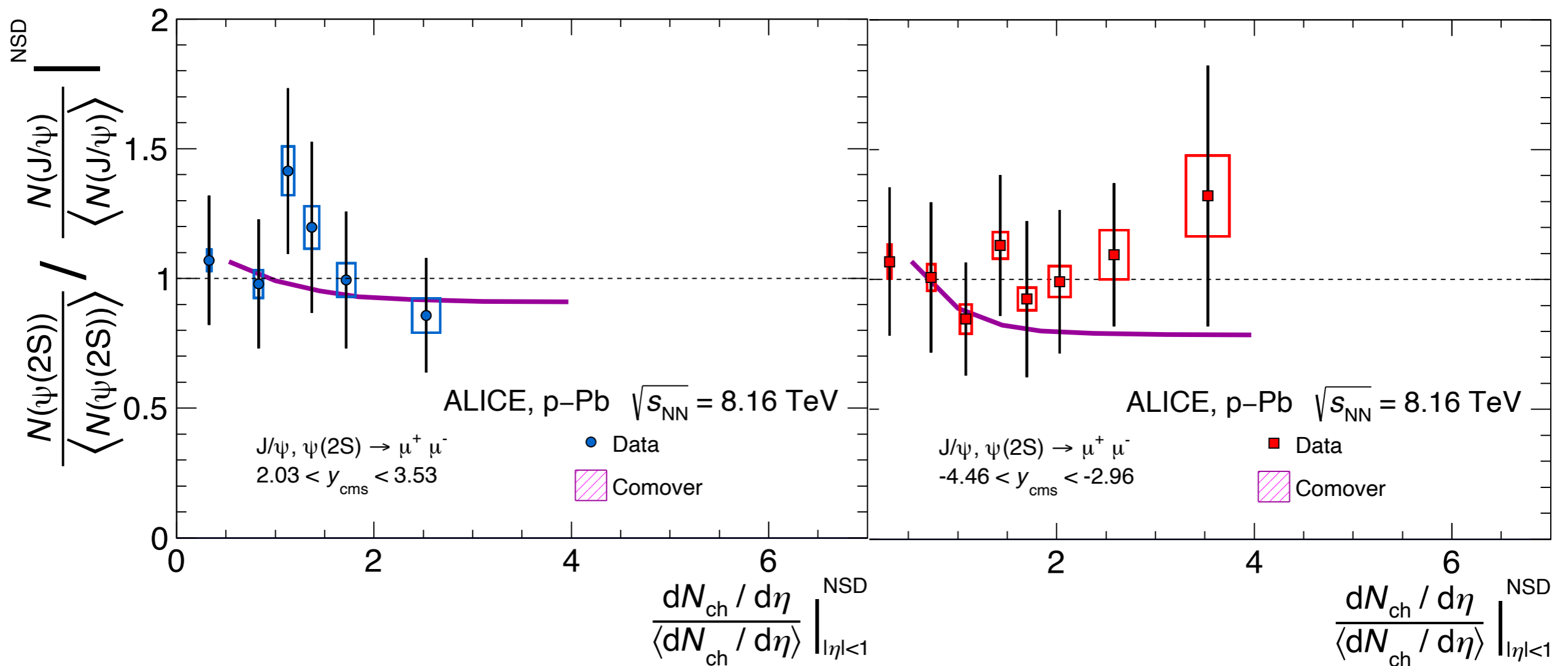
Inclusive  $\psi(2S)$



# Production with multiplicity: ratio

[arXiv:2204.10253](https://arxiv.org/abs/2204.10253)

- Ratio of  $\psi(2s)$  with  $J/\psi$  can be a way to test comover model
- Uncertainties prevent from making conclusions
  - More measurements with prompt-nonprompt separation with more statistics are needed

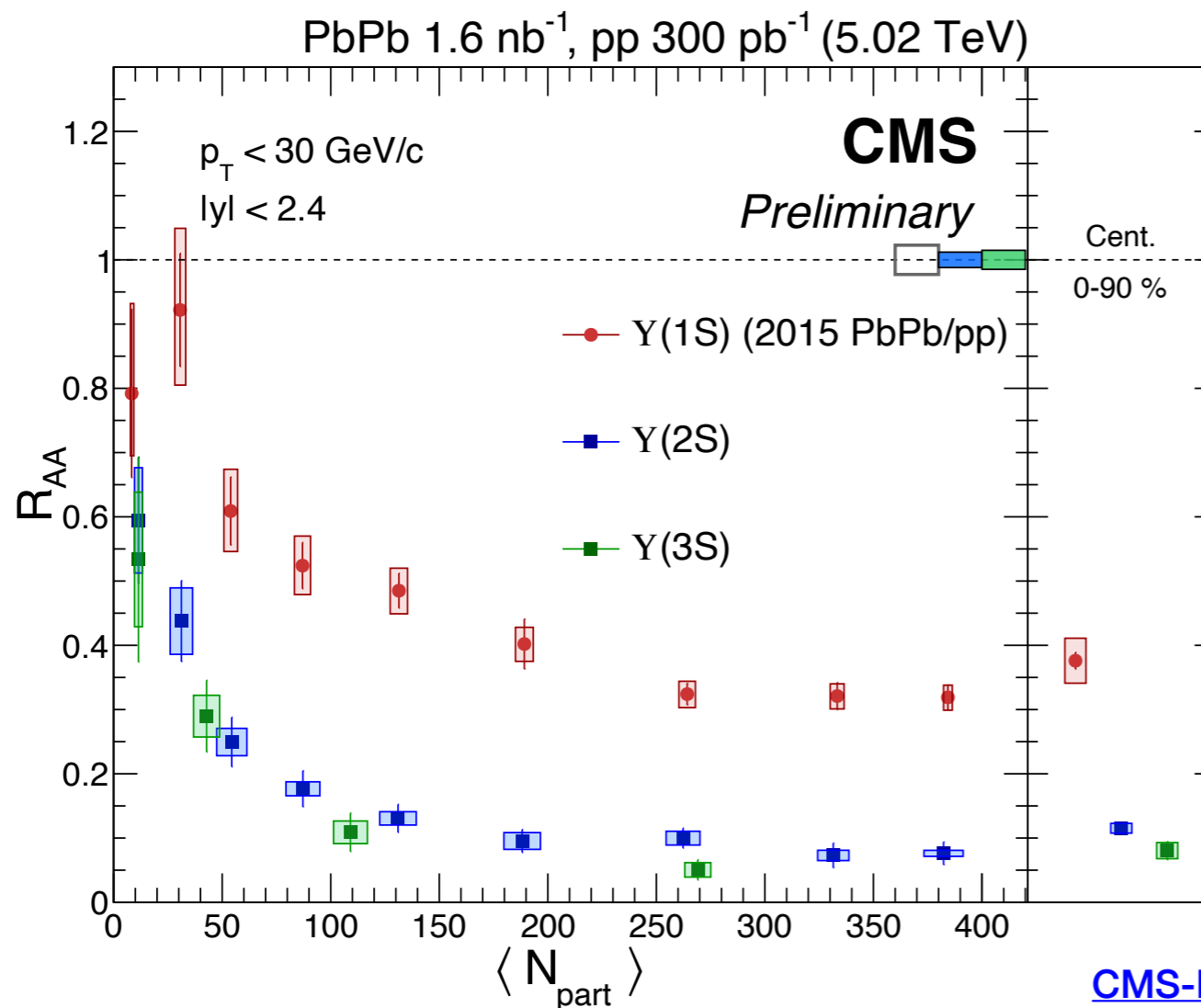


# $\Upsilon(nS)$ production in PbPb

[PRL 120, 199903](#)

[PLB P790 \(2019\) 270–293](#)

- $\Upsilon(nS)$  sequential suppression seen in PbPb by CMS
- Signature of QGP:
  - more direct probe at LHC energies than  $J/\psi$ , in principle cannot be produced by recombination
  - however, CNM effects could also explain similar patterns
- Need to explore  $\Upsilon(nS)$  production in  $p$ Pb



[CMS-PAS-HIN-21-007](#)

At  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$  TeV:

LHCb: [arXiv:2212.12664](#)

ALICE: [Phys. Lett. B 740 \(2015\) 105-117](#)

CMS: [PLB 835 \(2022\) 137397](#)

ATLAS: [Eur. Phys. J. C 78 \(2018\) 171](#)

At  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8$  TeV:

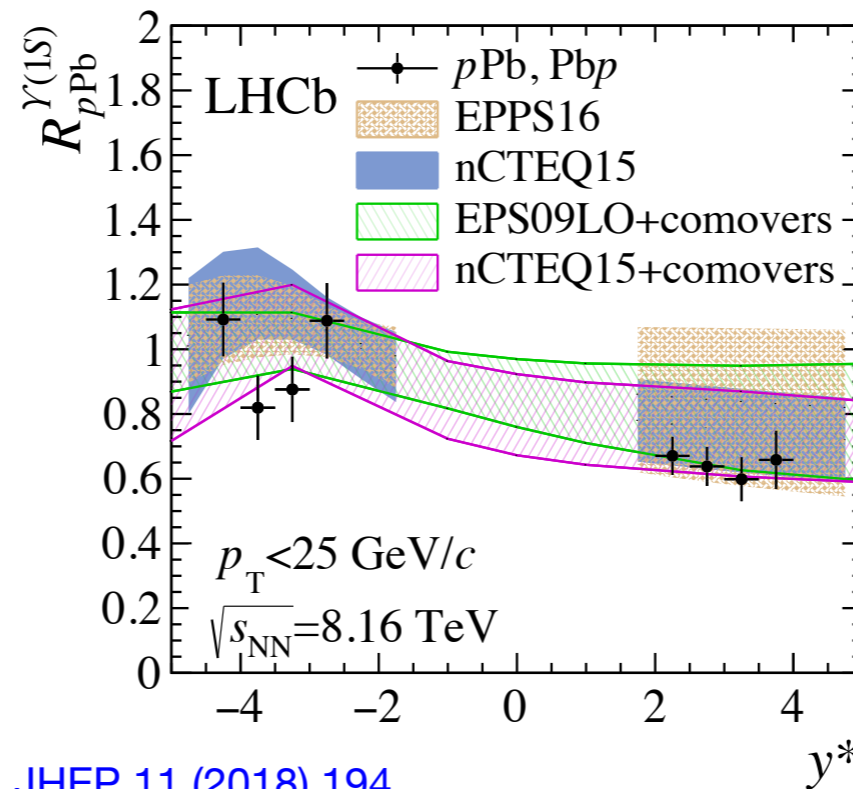
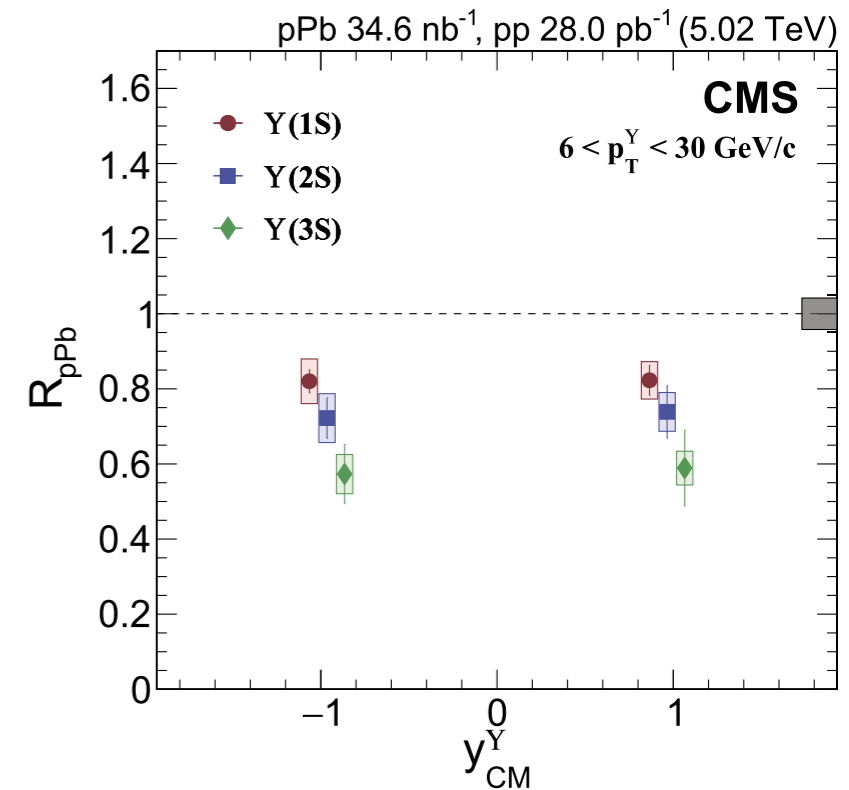
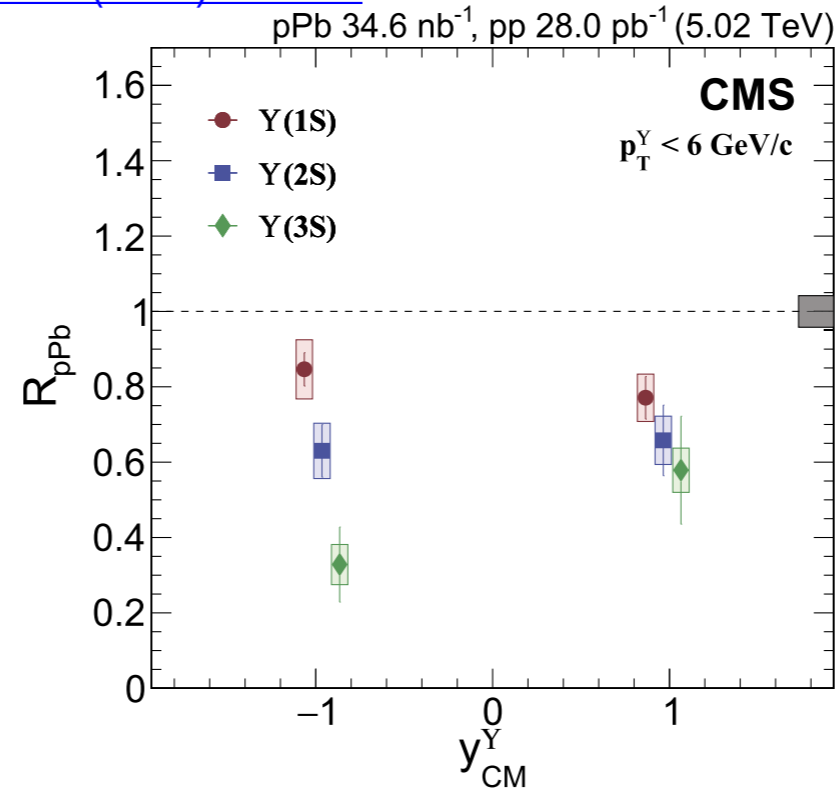
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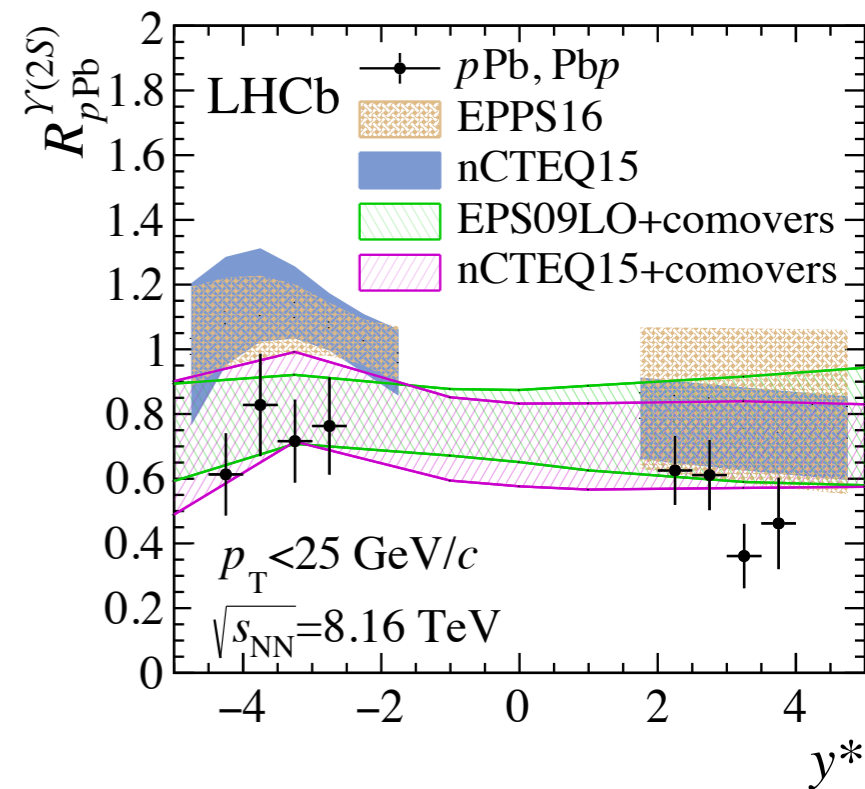
# $\Upsilon(nS)$ production - $y^*$ dependence

- Stronger suppression of excited states
  - CMS data shows stronger effect at low  $p_T$
- LHCb data for the  $\Upsilon(2S)$  not compatible with nPDF calculation alone
  - agreement improves by considering final-state interaction
  - model including QGP can also explain the data ([PRC 100, 024906 \(2019\)](#))

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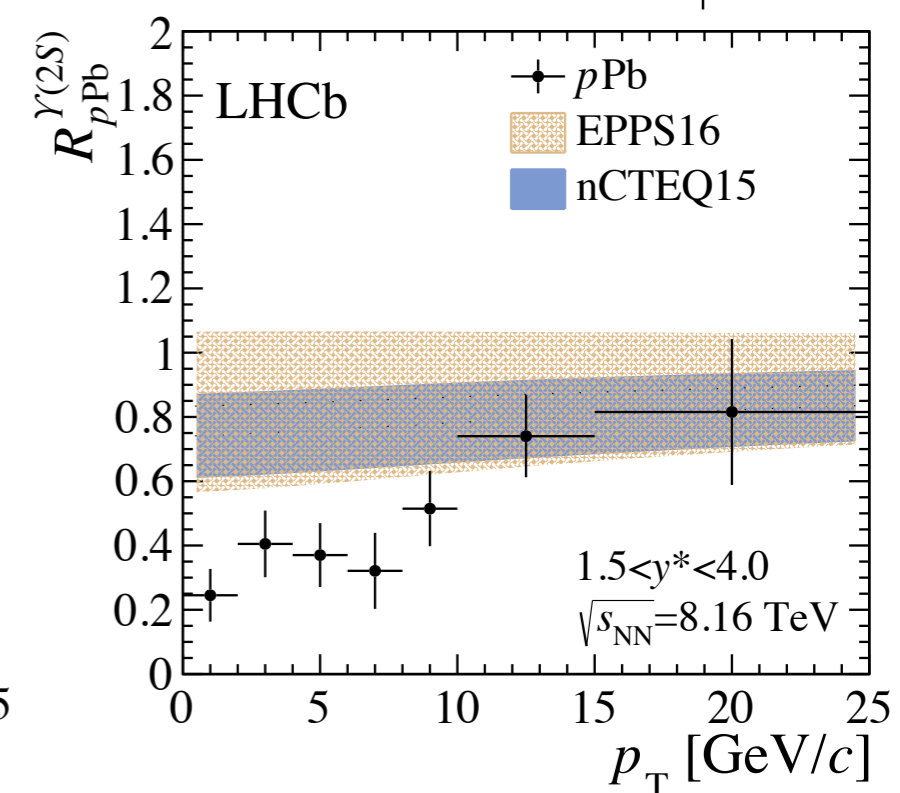
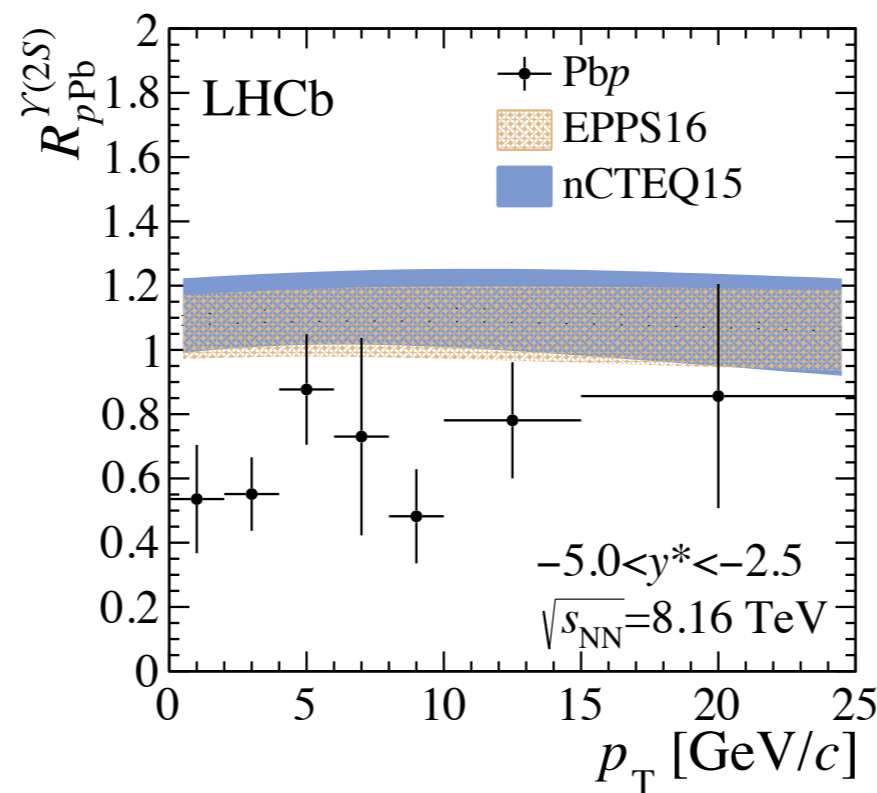
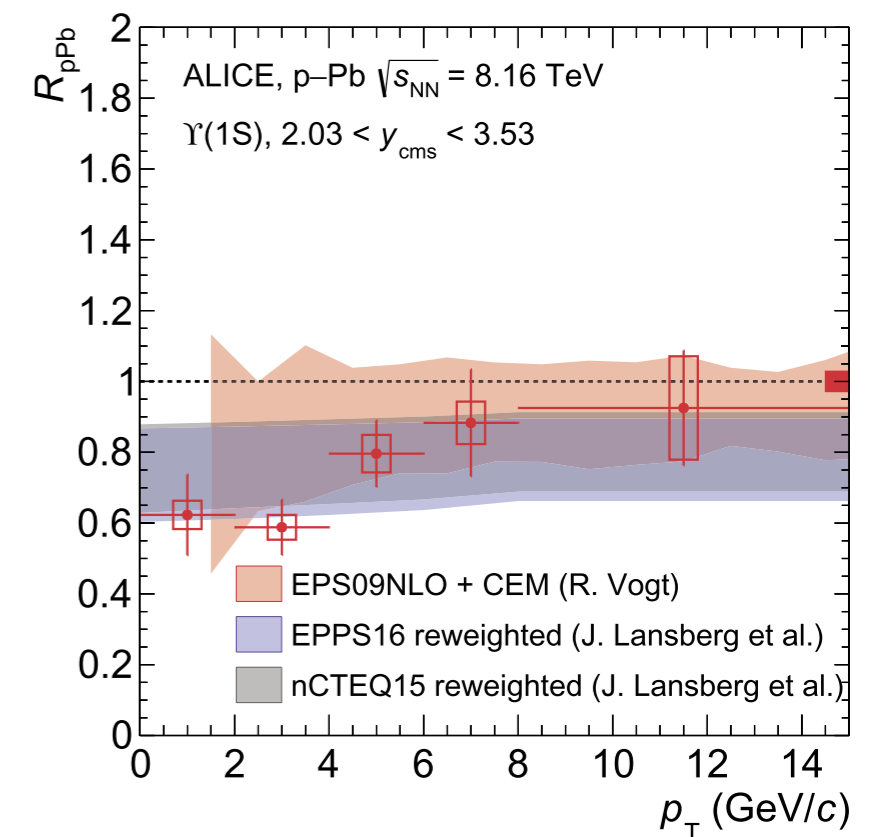
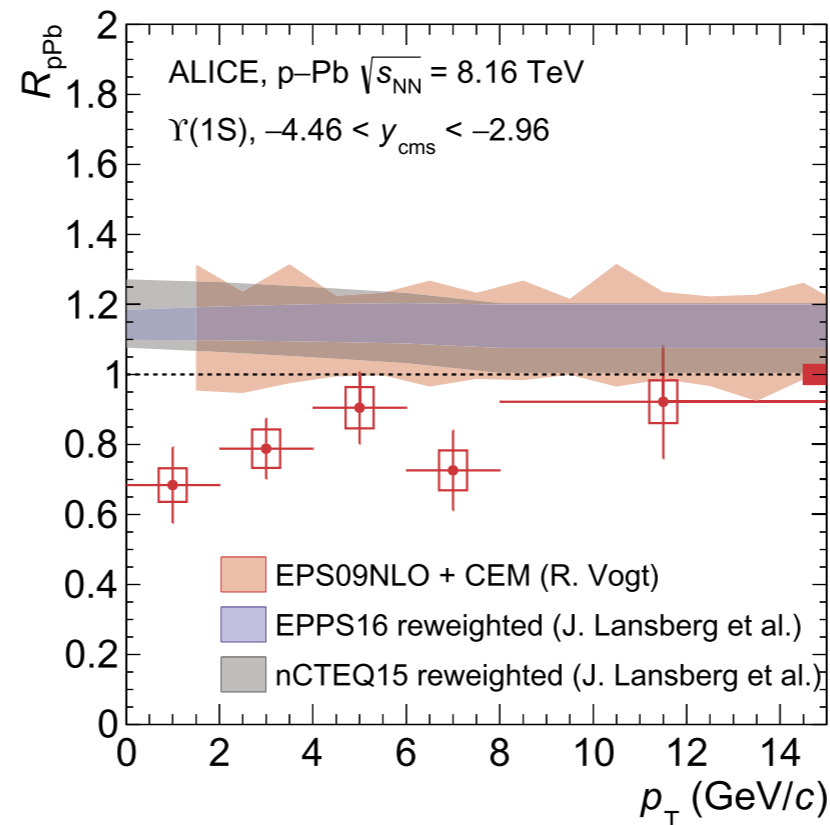
# $\Upsilon(nS)$ production - $p_T$ dependence

- Similar predictions for  $\Upsilon(1S)$  and  $\Upsilon(2S)$  from initial-state effects
- Suppression in the forward region and at low  $p_T$
- Discrepancies with nPDF calculations at low  $p_T$  for backward  $\Upsilon(1S)$  and forward  $\Upsilon(2S)$

Backward

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Forward



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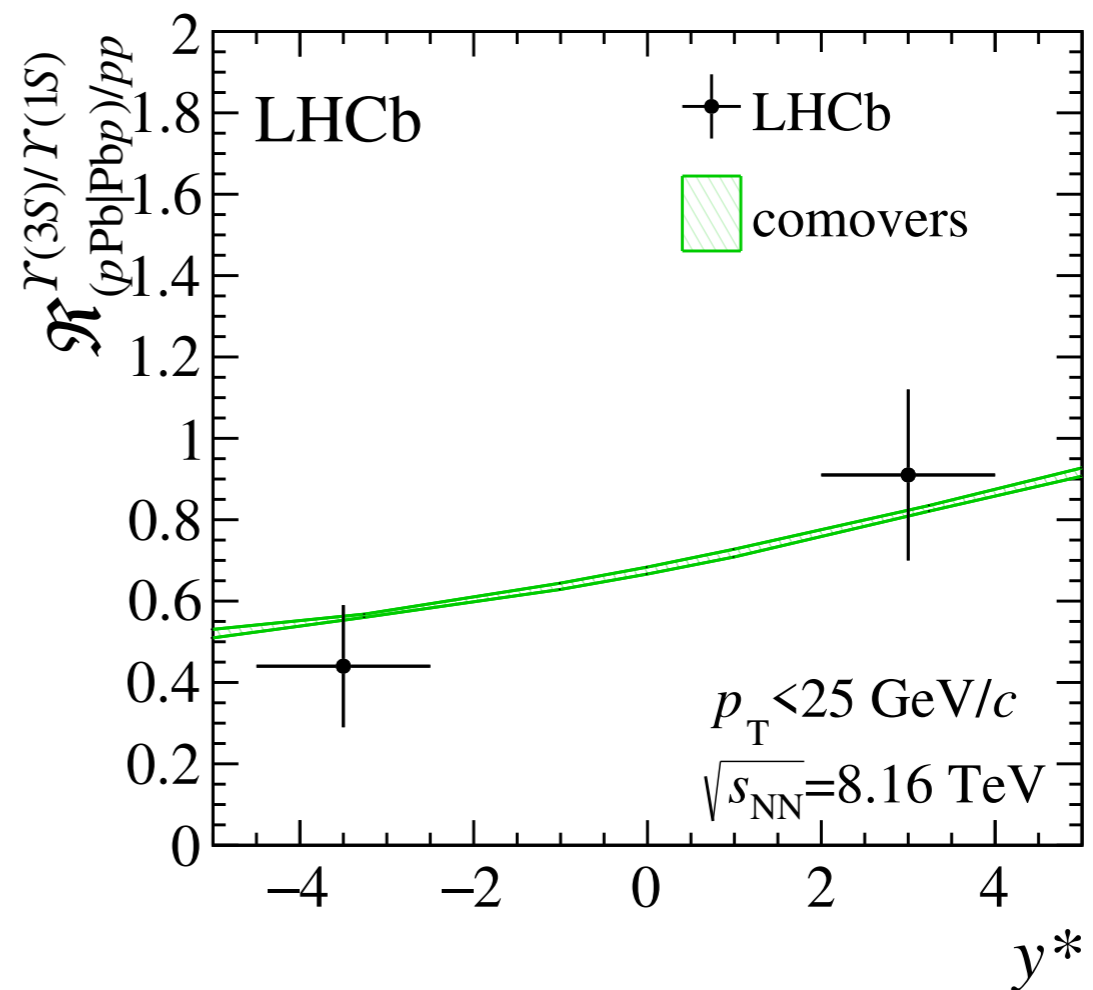
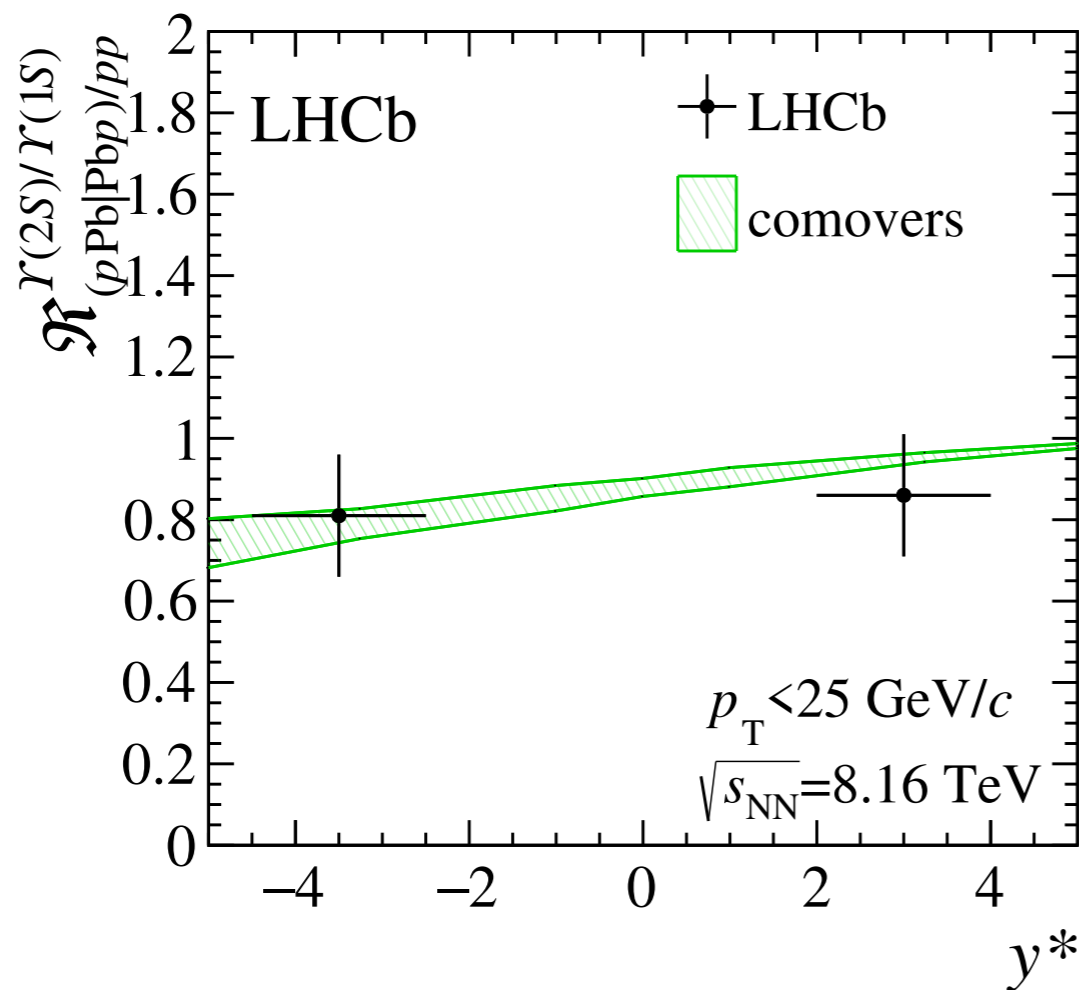


# $\Upsilon(nS)$ production - double ratio

- Double ratio  $\mathcal{R}^{\Upsilon(ns)/\Upsilon(1s)}_{(p\text{Pb}|Pbp)/pp} = \frac{R(\Upsilon(nS))_{p\text{Pb}|Pbp}}{R(\Upsilon(nS))_{pp}}$

- Initial-state effects should mostly cancel
- Double ratio consistent with prediction of comover model

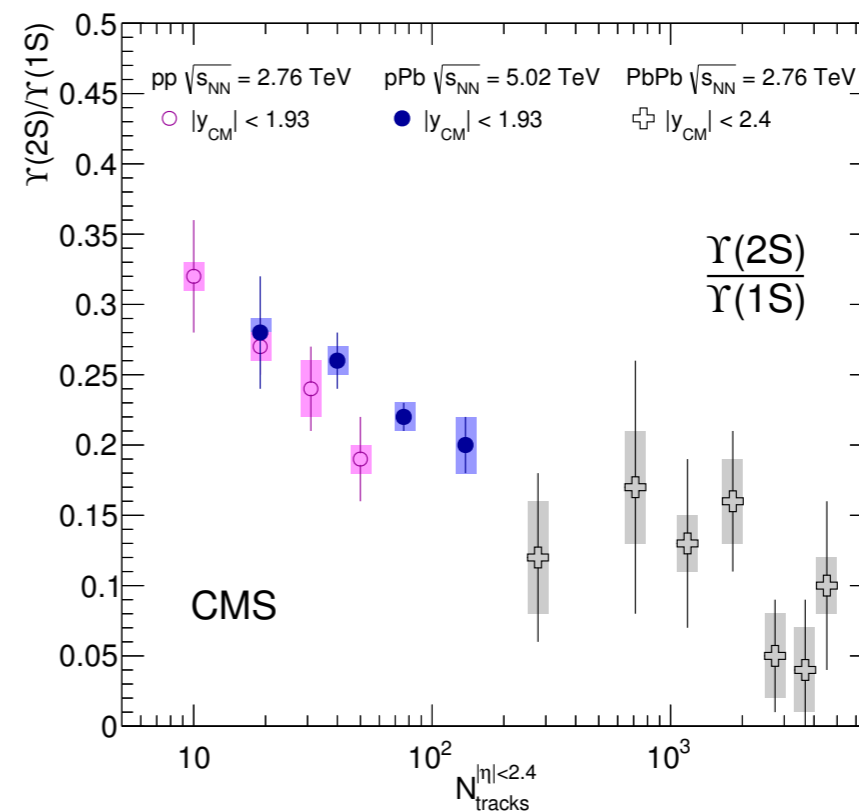
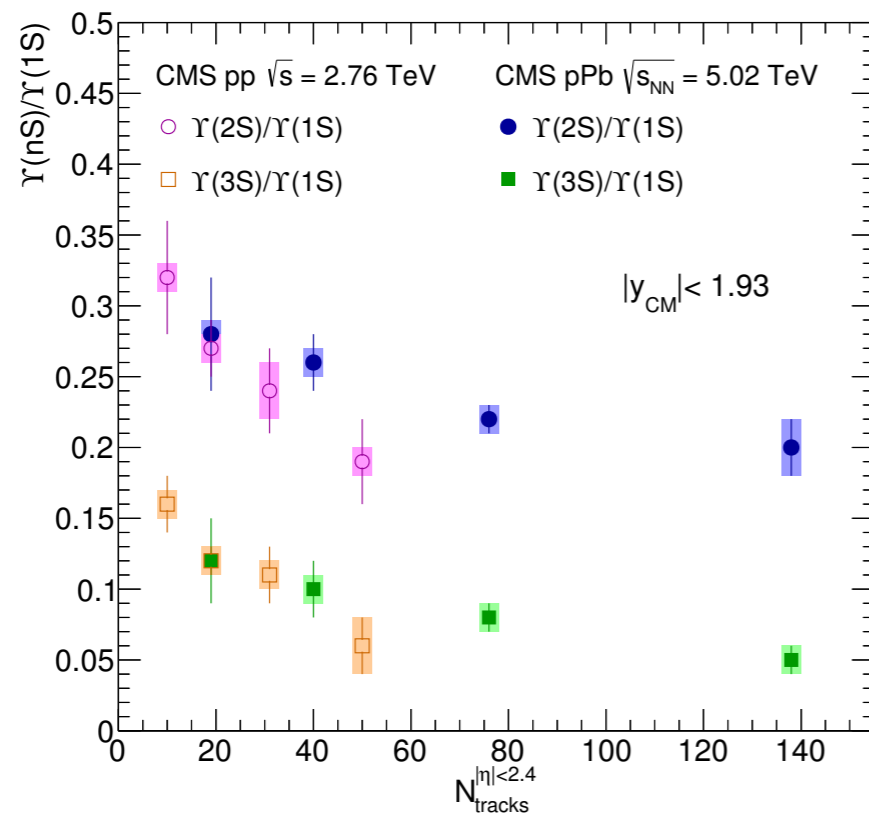
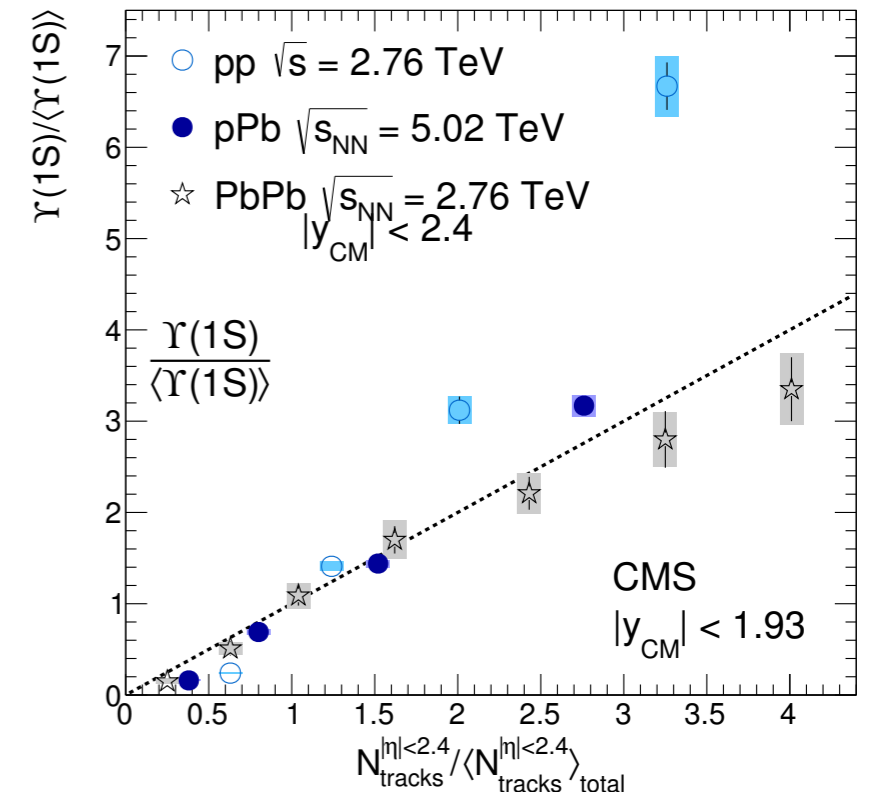
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# $\Upsilon(nS)$ production with event multiplicity

CMS: [JHEP 04 \(2014\) 103](#)

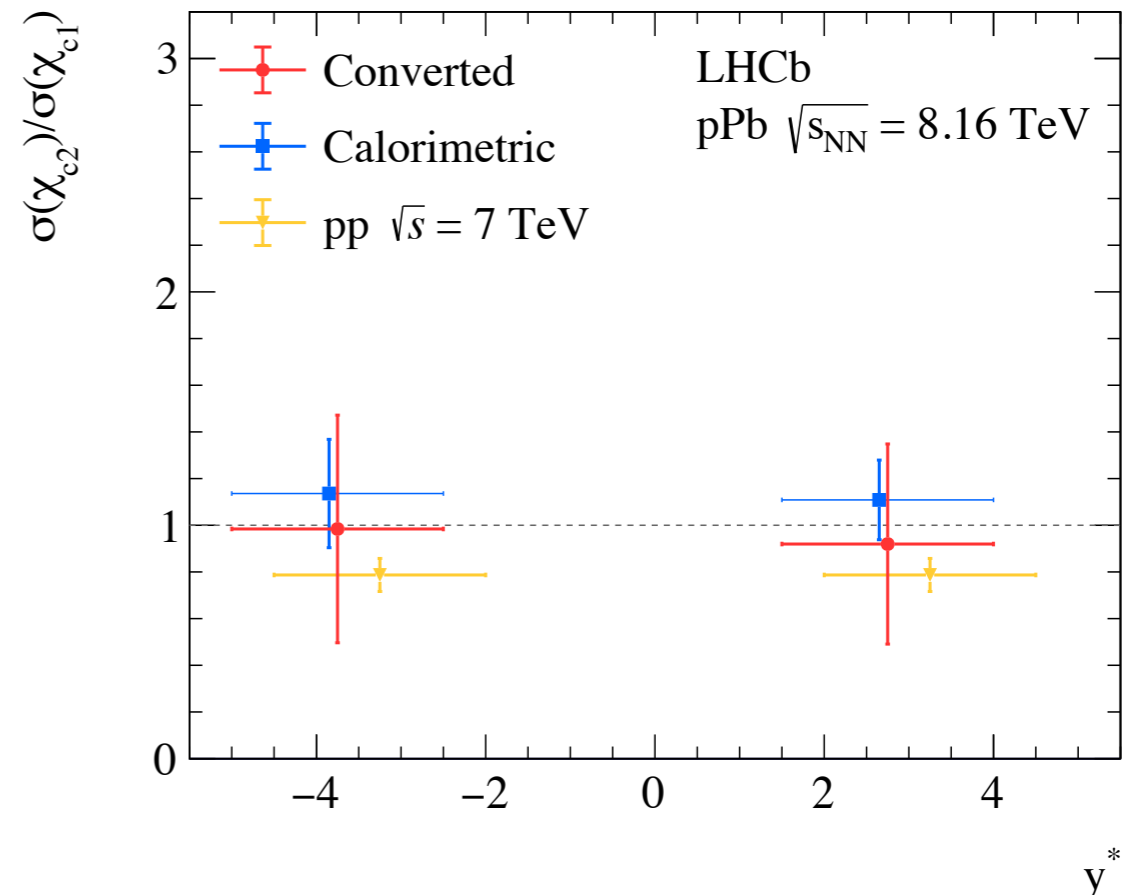
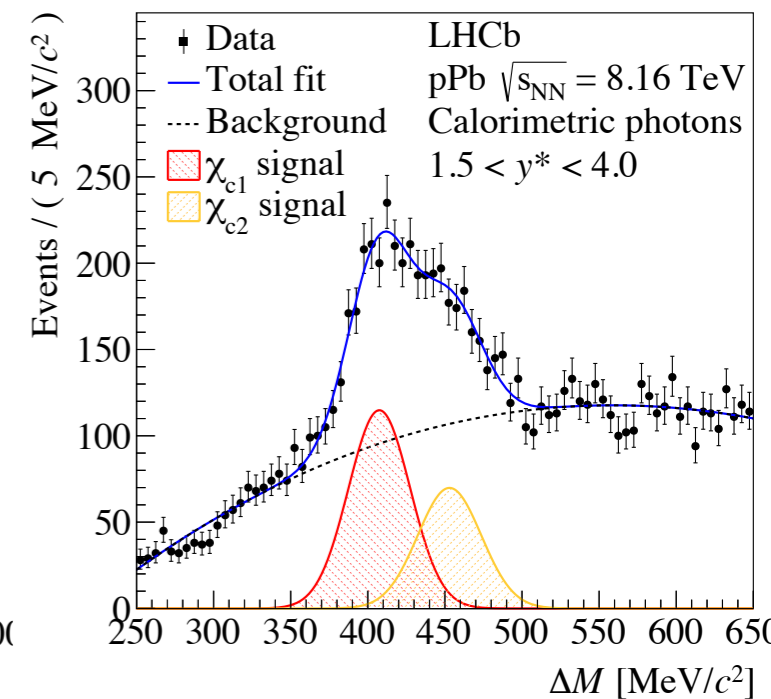
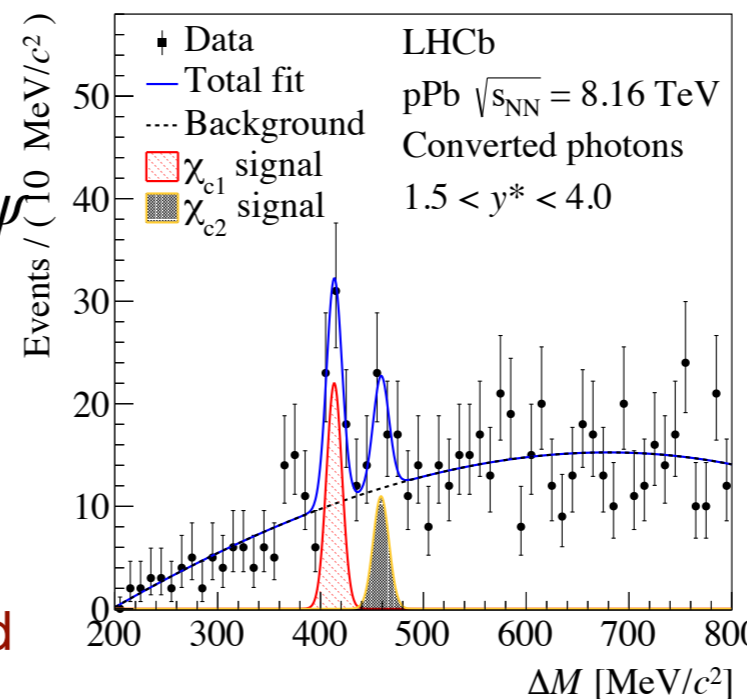
- CMS measured  $\Upsilon(1S)$  and  $\Upsilon(2S)$  with respect to the event track multiplicity in  $|\eta| < 2.4$
- Self-normalised ratio  $\Upsilon(1S)/\langle\Upsilon(1S)\rangle$  vs  $N_{\text{tracks}}^{|\eta|<2.4}/\langle N_{\text{tracks}}^{|\eta|<2.4}\rangle_{\text{total}}$  shows different trend at high multiplicity for  $pp$ ,  $p\text{Pb}$  and  $\text{PbPb}$
- Excited-to-ground state ratio with  $N_{\text{tracks}}^{|\eta|<2.4}$ 
  - decreasing trend of  $\Upsilon(2S)/\Upsilon(1S)$  ratio down to  $\text{PbPb}$



# $\chi_{cn}$ production in $p\text{Pb}$

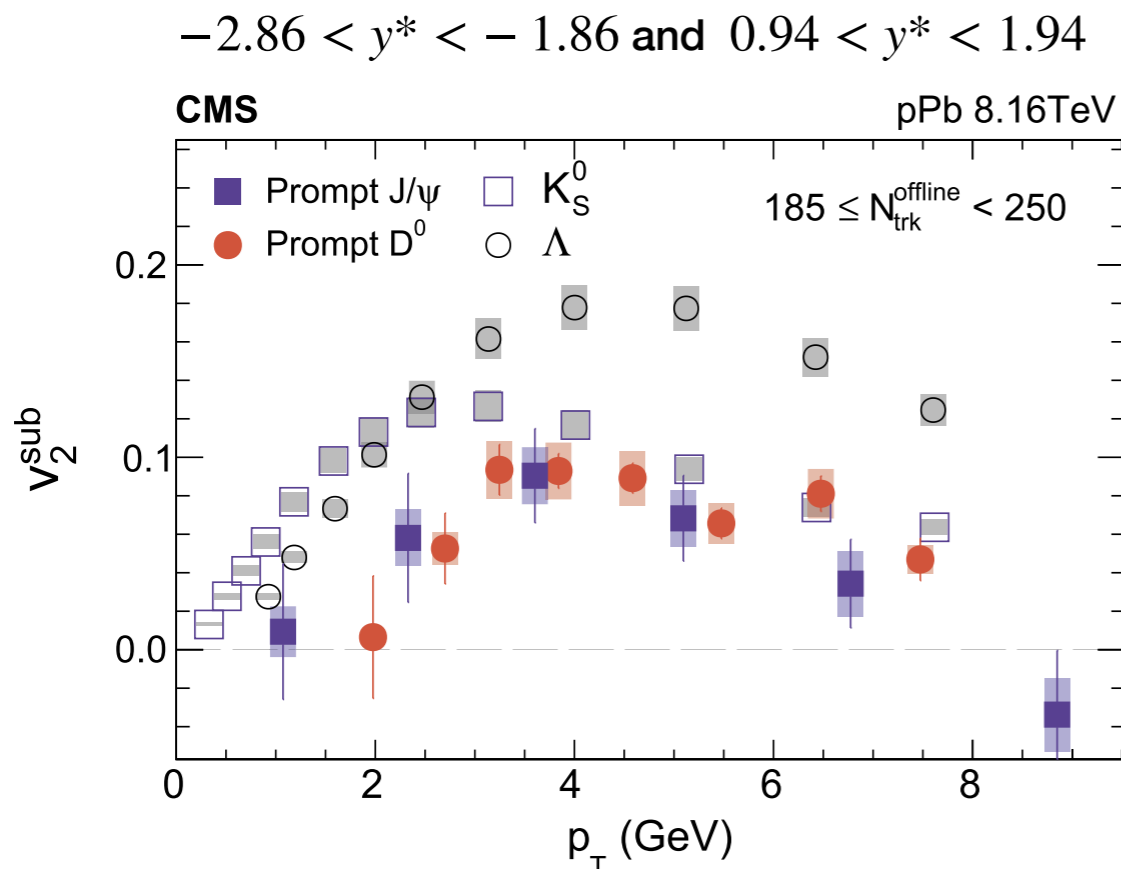
- Measuring  $\chi_{cn}$  is important:
  - feed-down to  $J/\psi$  production
  - different binding energy with respect to  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi(2S)$
  - but photon of  $\chi_c \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma$  hard to detect
- LHCb measured prompt  $\sigma(\chi_{c2})/\sigma(\chi_{c1})$  ratio in  $p\text{Pb}$  collisions
  - two photon detection strategies: **converted** and **calorimetric**
  - **cancellation of efficiencies** in cross-section ratio
  - work ongoing in photon efficiency determination
- Ratio **consistent with unity**
  - No rapidity dependence within uncertainty
- Consistent with  $pp$  7 TeV ratio within  $2\sigma$  ([JHEP10\(2013\) 115](#))
  - similar nuclear effects for both states
- Measurement with converted photons would benefit a lot from a larger dataset

[Phys. Rev. C103 \(2021\) 064905](#)



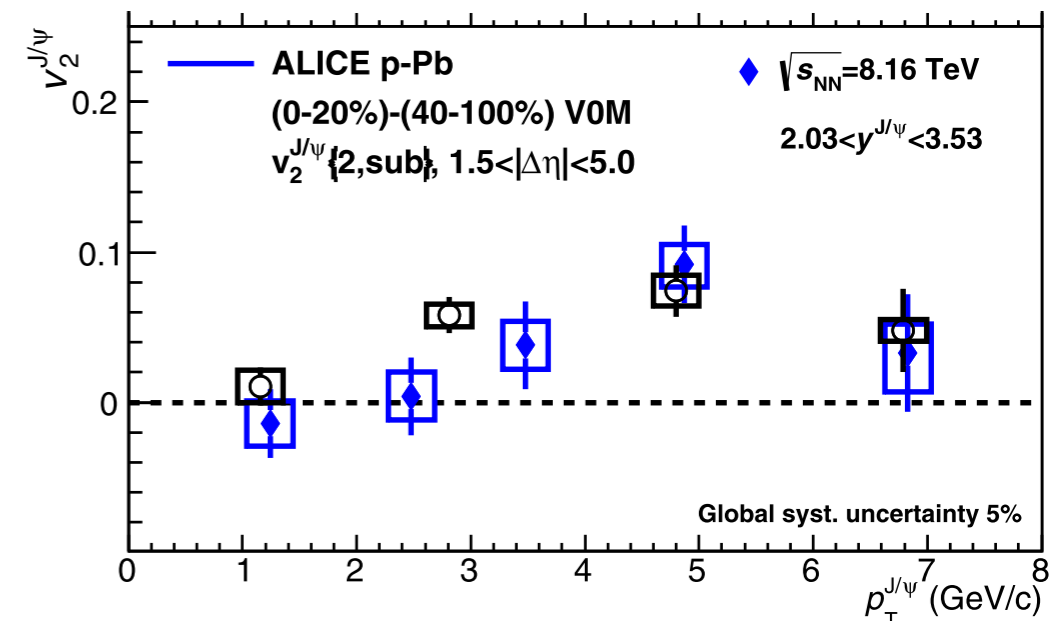
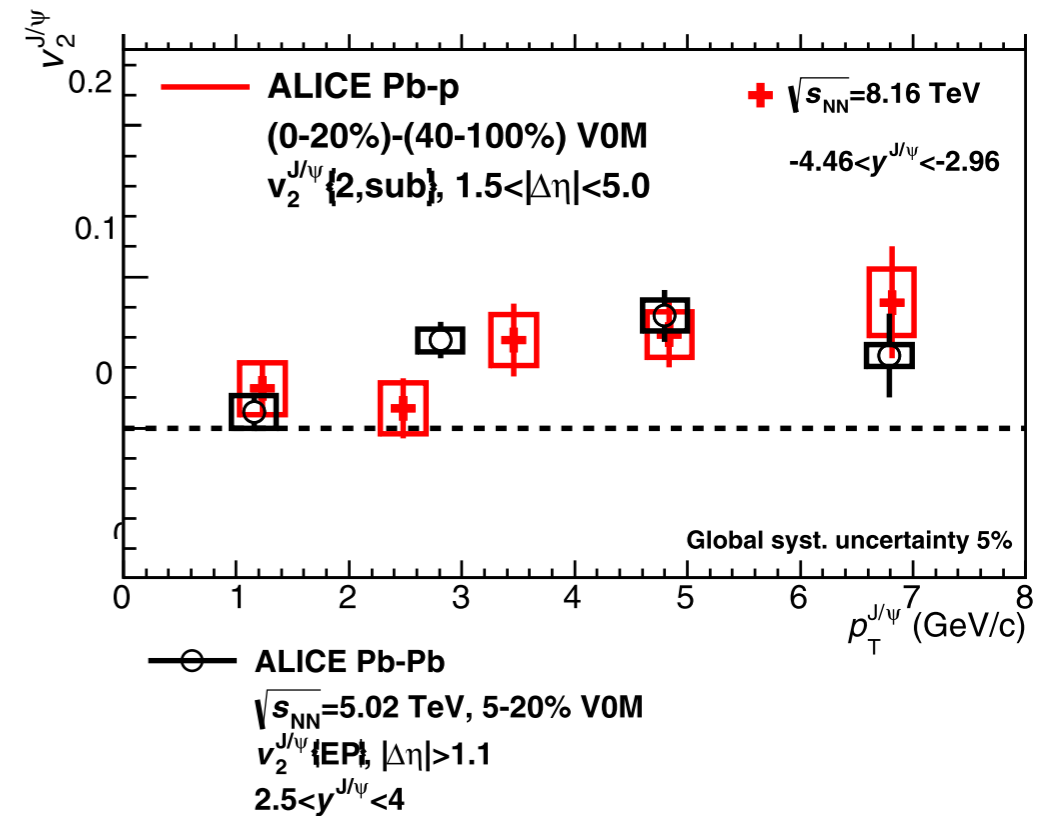
# Azimuthal correlations: flow of $J/\psi$

- Azimuthal correlations with charged hadrons  $\rightarrow$  study collectivity in quarkonium production
- Observable  $\rightarrow v_2^{\text{sub}}$ : elliptic flow difference in high multiplicity with respect to low multiplicity
- Flow of  $J/\psi$  observed in high-multiplicity events in:
  - forward + backward rapidities (CMS)
  - central rapidities (ALICE)
- Explanations for observed collectivity unclear, similar magnitude to PbPb (5-20%) collisions at high  $p_T$

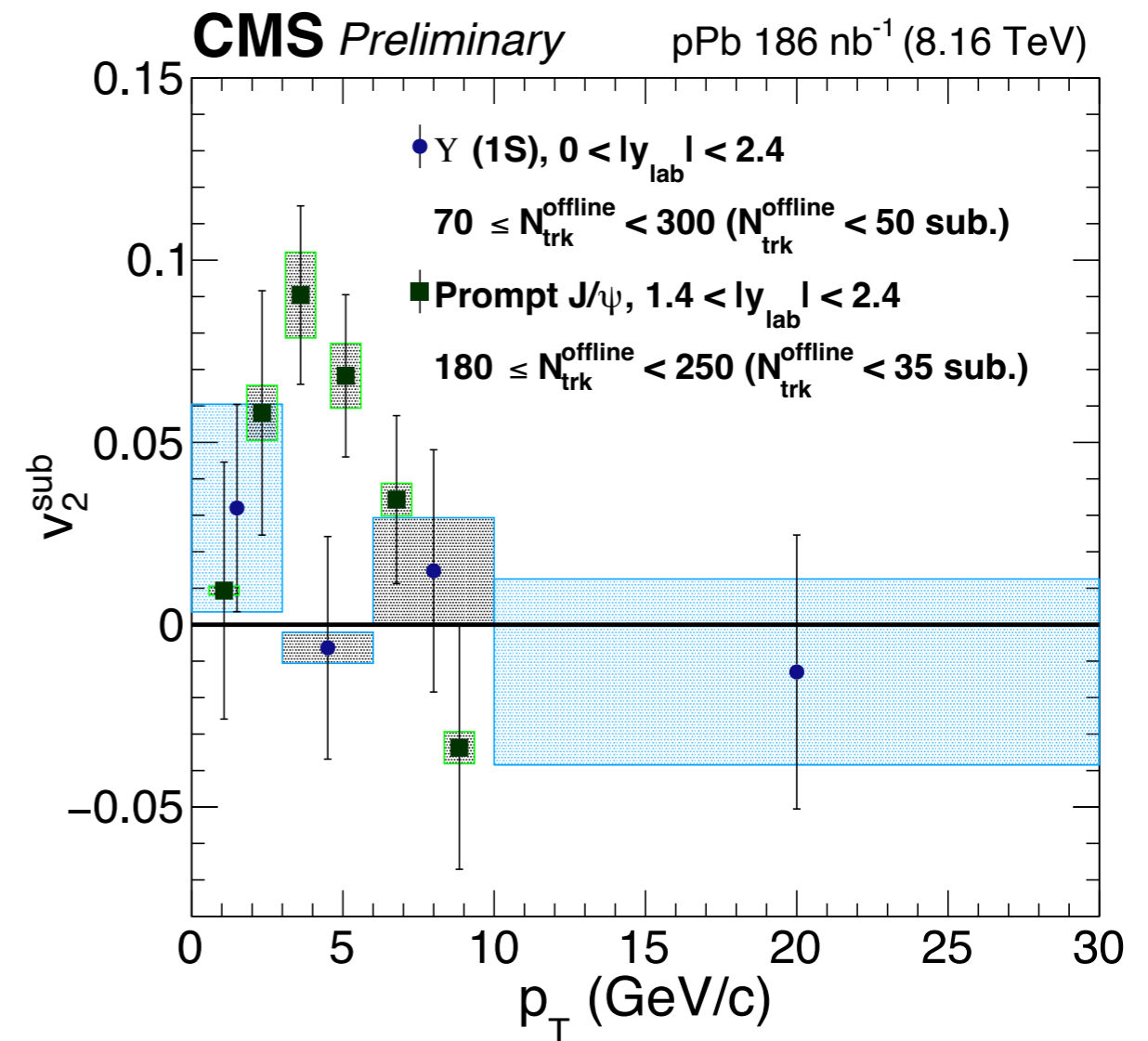
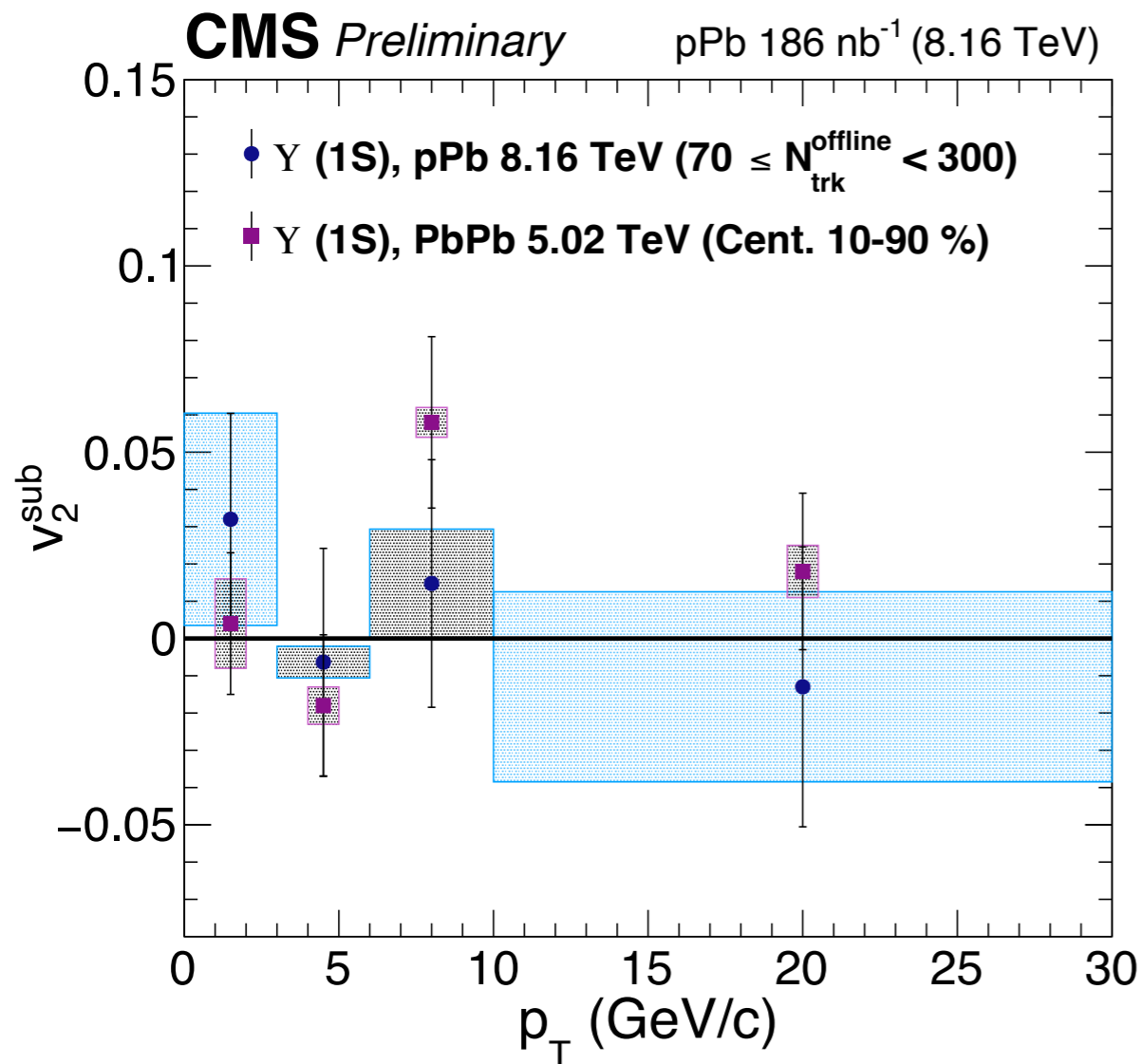


ALICE: [Phys. Lett. B 780 \(2018\) 7-20](#)

CMS: [PLB 791 \(2019\) 172](#)



- Preliminary CMS result
  - No significant flow observed in high-multiplicity events for  $\Upsilon(1S)$ , like for PbPb collisions
  - More precision (and excited states) reachable with higher statistics



# Conclusions

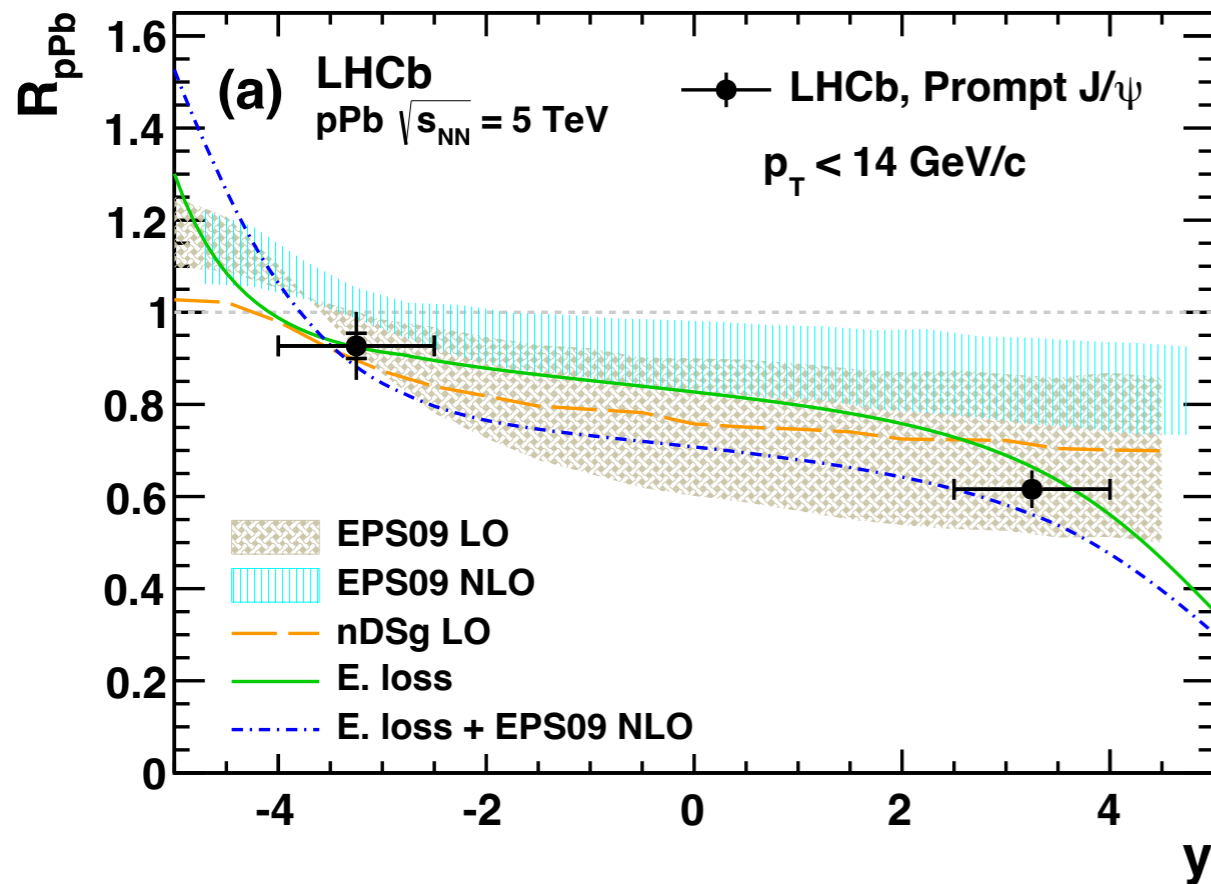
- Progress on the understanding of quarkonium modification in  $p\text{Pb}$  collisions:
  - Crucial for a correct interpretation of  $\text{PbPb}$  data
  - Initial-state effects seem to explain most observed nuclear effects in  $R_{p\text{Pb}}$  of ground states
  - Final-state effects could explain the differences in the excited states
  - Signs of collectivity from  $J/\psi$  flow in high-multiplicity  $p\text{Pb}$  collisions, although their origin is unclear
- A larger  $p\text{Pb}$  dataset would open many possibilities:
  - More precise measurements of excited states ( $\psi(2S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(3S)$ , ...)
  - Improve  $\chi_{cn}$  measurement, specially with converted photon
  - Quarkonium from hadronic decays at LHCb in  $p\text{Pb}$ ?
- Possible  $p\text{O}$  run during Run3/Run4:
  - Study of quarkonia modification in medium size nucleus. Important if  $\text{OO}$  run takes place

# Backup

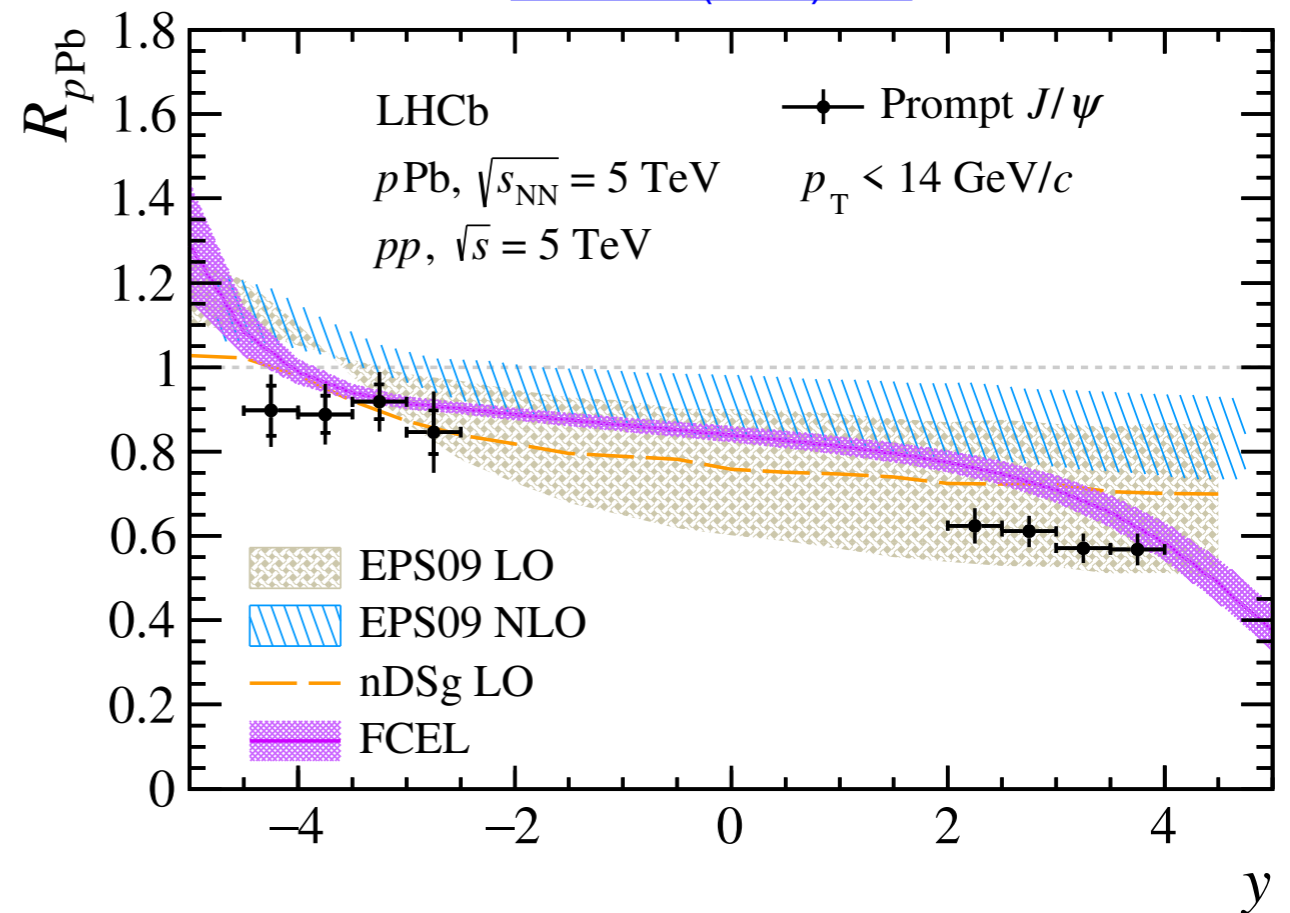
# Prompt $J/\psi$ production at 5 TeV

- Recent update of the  $pp$  reference for  $R_{p\text{Pb}}$  for prompt  $J/\psi$  production at 5 TeV

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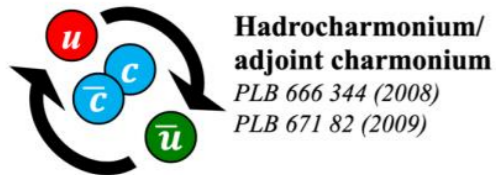
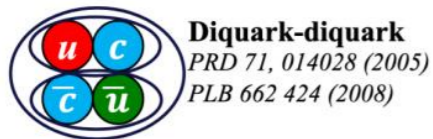




# Production of $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ in $p\text{Pb}$

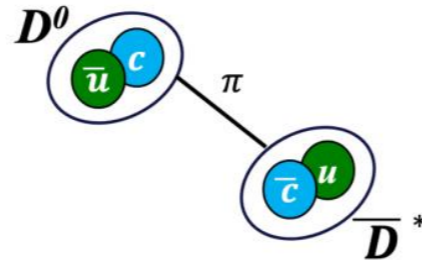
- Nature of  $\chi_{c1}(3872)$  not clear (tetraquark, molecule, combination?)
- Study production with respect to the **QCD medium**
- Non conventional hadrons  $\rightarrow$  new probes of **hadronisation** mechanisms

## Compact tetraquark/pentaquark

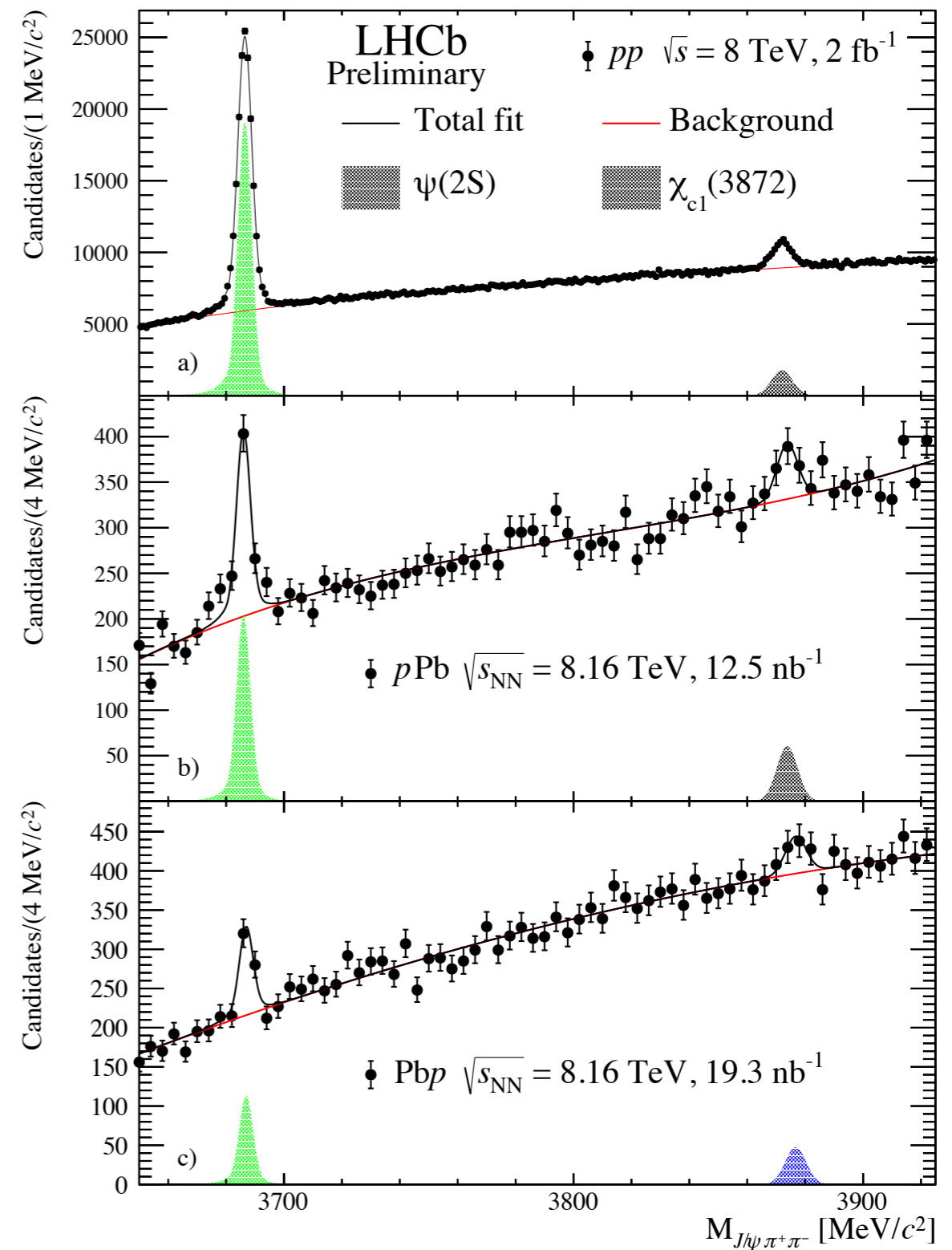


## Hadronic Molecules

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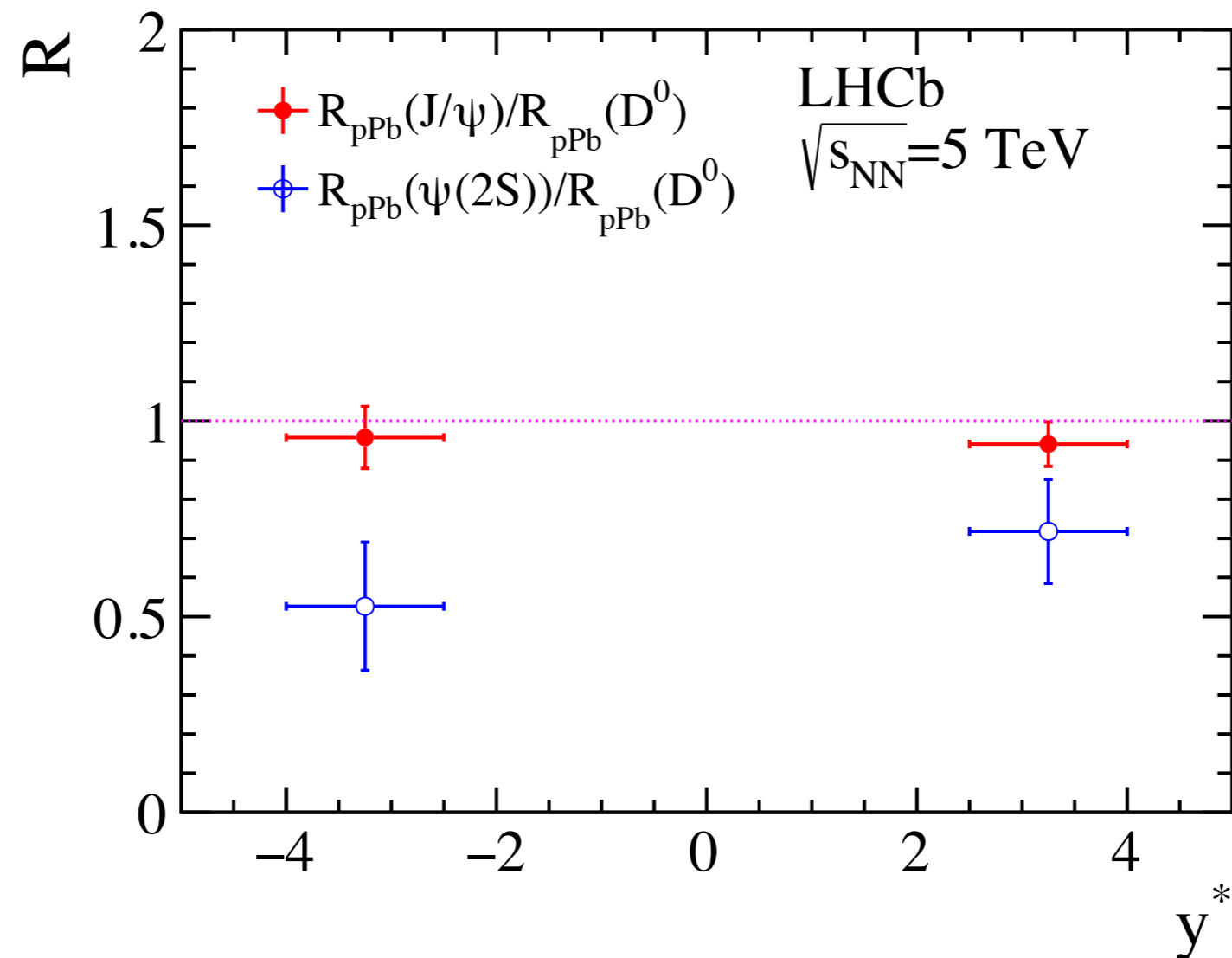


- Measure ratio of prompt  $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ ,  $\psi(2S)$  with  $\chi_{c1}(3872), \psi(2S) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$
- Use full  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$  TeV dataset



# Ratio $J/\psi$ and $\psi(2S)$ with $D^0$

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# Production of $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ in $p\text{Pb}$

- Increase of the  $\chi_{c1}(3872)/\psi(2S)$  ratio with system size
- Different behaviour of  $\chi_{c1}(3872)$  and  $\psi(2S)$ 
  - $\psi(2S)$  suppressed in  $p\text{Pb}$
  - Enhancement of  $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ ?
- Contrast with trend in  $pp$  with multiplicity

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