

# Quarkonium as a probe of multiple parton interaction and collectivity in pp collisions with ALICE

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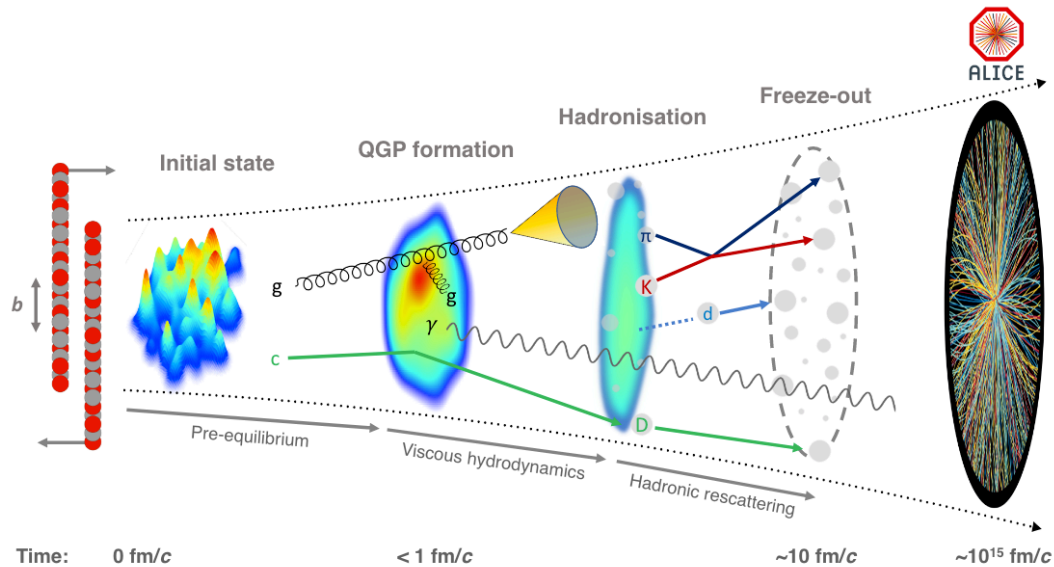


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# Why study quarkonium in pp collisions?

**Quarkonia as a probe of the quark-gluon plasma:** Heavy quarks are produced in hard-scattering processes in the early stages of the collision and experience the entire medium evolution



## Quarkonium production

- Hard scale: creation of  $q\bar{q}$  pairs in initial hard scattering
- Soft scale: binding into a colorless final state

*Models of quarkonium production: e.g. Color Evaporation Model (CEM), Non-relativistic QCD (NRQCD)*

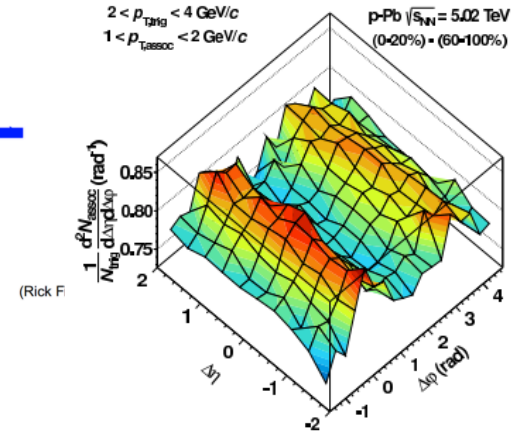
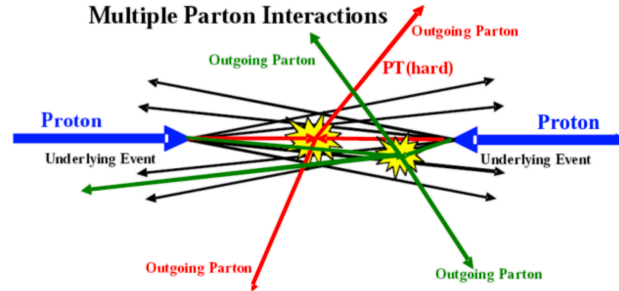
## Why study pp collisions?

- 1) Understand production mechanism
- 2) Reference for heavy-ion collisions



# Quarkonium production in small systems: open questions

- **Hints of collective behaviors** in small systems at high multiplicity
  - Near-side ridge
  - Anisotropic flow of light and heavy-flavor particles
- Opens up two questions
  - Are there collective effects on heavy quarks in high multiplicity pp collisions?  
*ALICE result:  $J/\psi$  elliptic flow in small systems*
  - Collective-like effects due to MPI or QGP droplets?  
*ALICE result:  $J/\psi$  pair production in pp collisions (quarkonium measurements as a function of multiplicity)*
  - Quarkonium production: interplay between soft and hard processes  
*ALICE result: Inclusive  $\psi(2S)$  to  $J/\psi$  ratio at midrapidity*  
*ALICE result:  $J/\psi$  fragmentation function in pp collisions (quarkonium production cross section and polarization)*



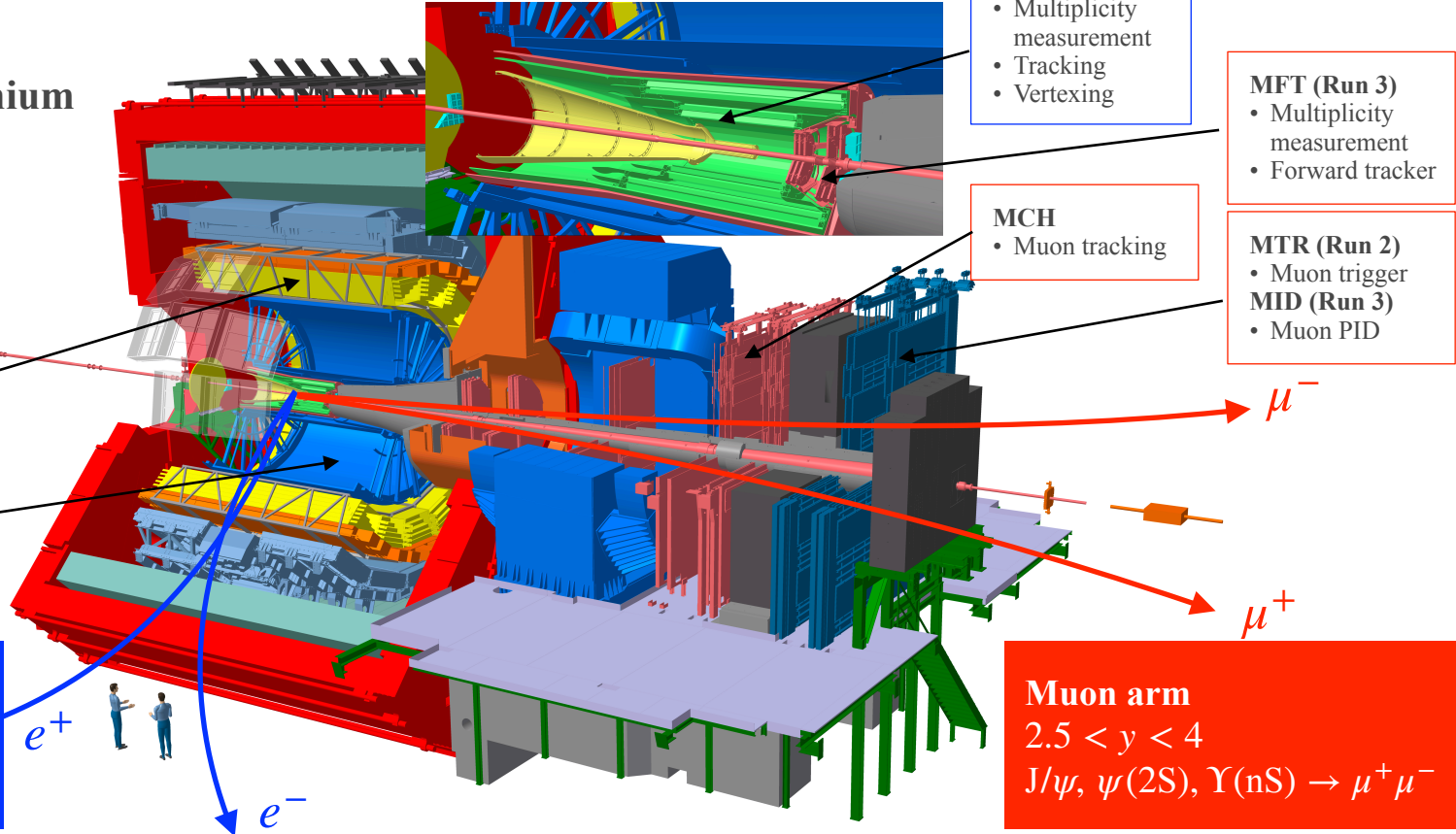
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For ALICE quarkonium measurements as a **function of multiplicity**, see Chi Zhang's talk, Monday Nov 20th



# Quarkonium reconstruction in ALICE

**Inclusive quarkonium detection down to zero  $p_T$**





# Run 3 upgrade

<b>Central barrel</b> ( $ y  < 0.9$ )	<b>TPC</b>	Replaced readout chambers
	<b>ITS</b>	Increased number of layers (6 to 7) with increased granularity (MAPS)
		Decreased material budget (1.15 % to 0.35 %)
<b>Muon arm</b> $2.5 < y < 4$	<b>MFT</b>	New forward tracker (MAPS) upstream of the hadron absorber

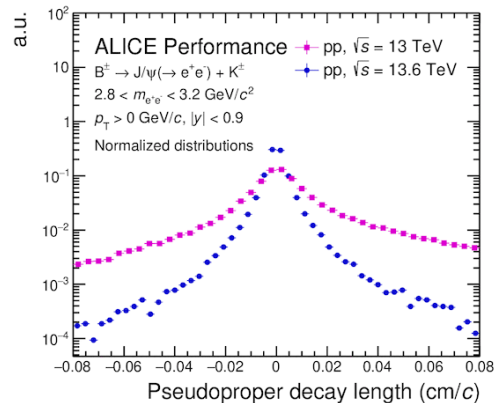
Resulting in...

## 1. Higher statistics

- Continuous readout of Pb—Pb events at an interaction rate up to 50 kHz,  $\sim 10^2$  higher for MB events than Run 2

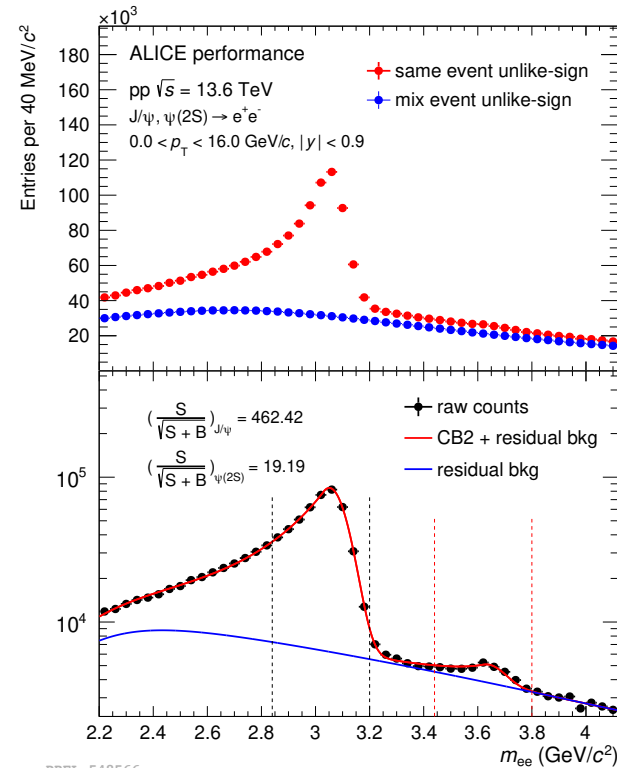
## 2. Improved vertexing resolution in the barrel

## 3. Secondary vertexing capabilities in the muon arm

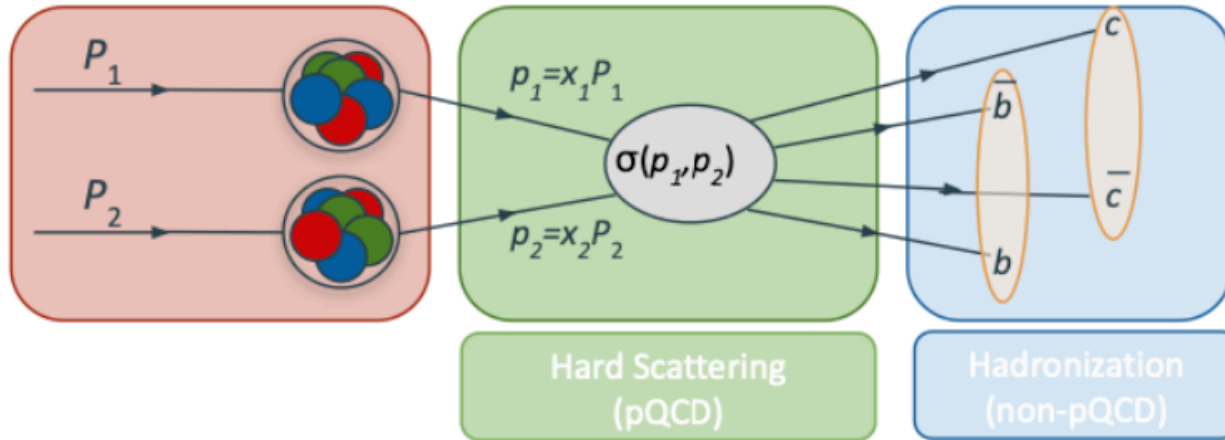


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Number of  $J/\psi$  candidates at midrapidity in 2022 pp dataset is **already comparable to the full Run 2 statistics.**



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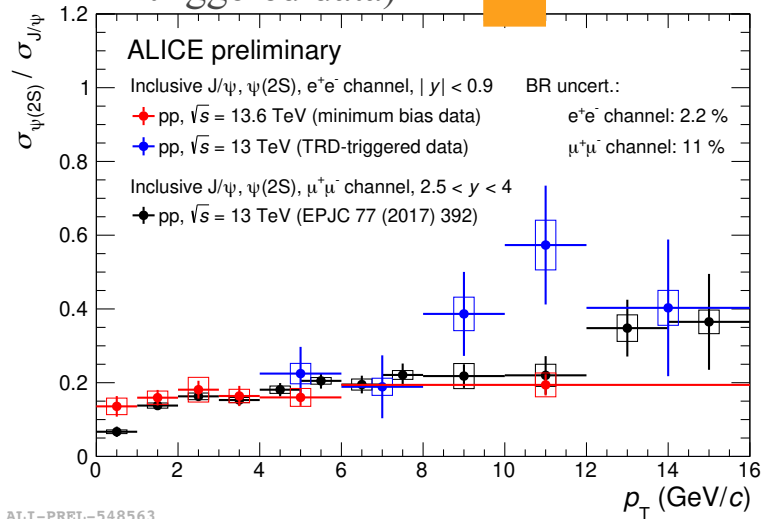
Small systems — a way to study **production mechanisms**



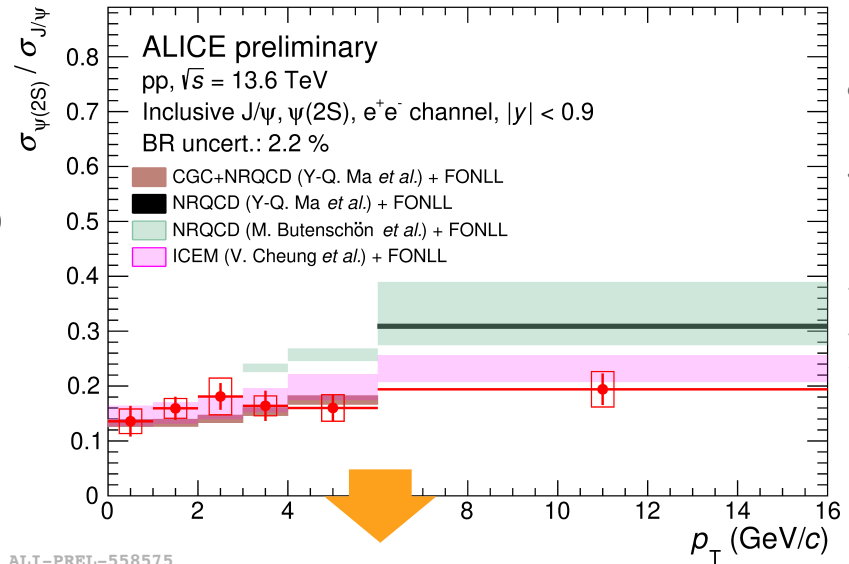
# Inclusive $\psi(2S)$ at midrapidity in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$ TeV

**Inclusive  $\psi(2S)$  to  $J/\psi$  ratio at midrapidity from  $e^+e^-$  decay channel**

- At  $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$  TeV (Run 3)
- In agreement with Run 2 results at forward rapidity and midrapidity (with TRD triggered data)



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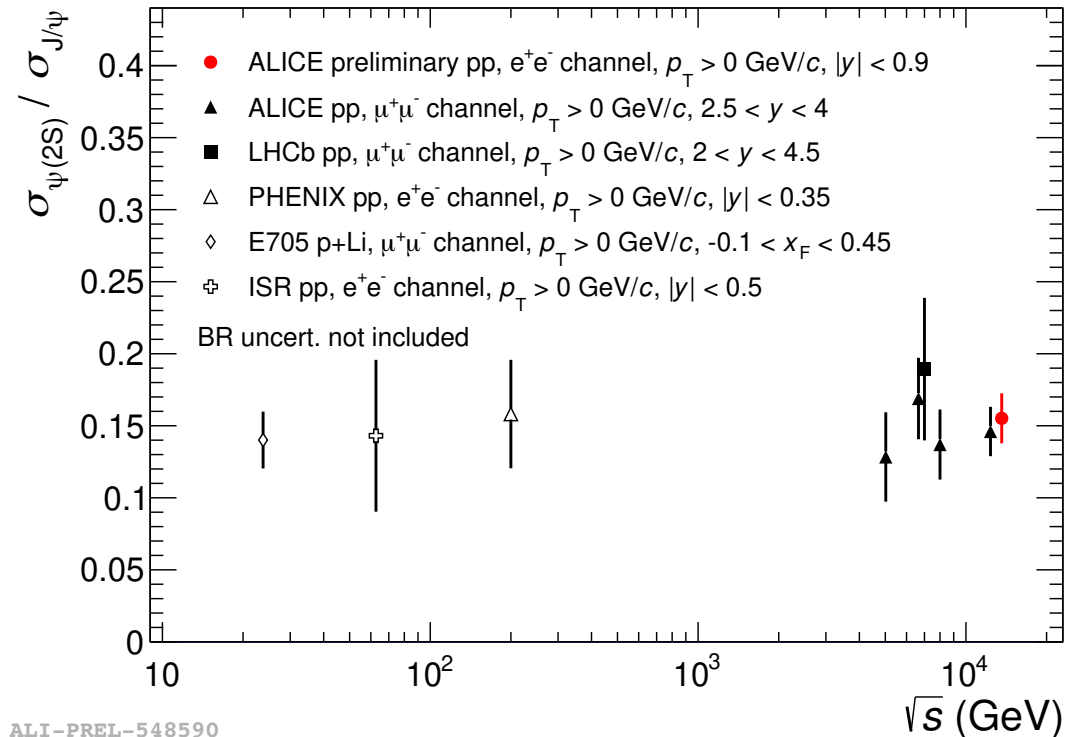
- Slight  $p_T$ -dependence expected from models
- No significant rapidity dependence
- **Good description** provided by ICEM

Y.-Q. Ma *et al.*, Phys.Rev.Lett 106 (2011) 042002  
 M. Butenschön *et al.*, Phys.Rev.Lett 106 (2011) 022003  
 V. Cheung *et al.*, Phys.Rev.D 94 (2016) 11, 114029



# Inclusive $\psi(2S)$ to $J/\psi$ ratio in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$ TeV

- In agreement with previous results
- No significant energy and rapidity dependence



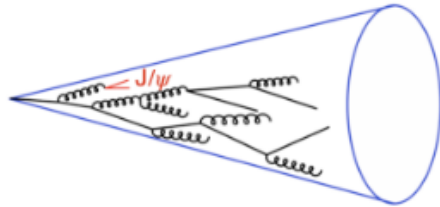
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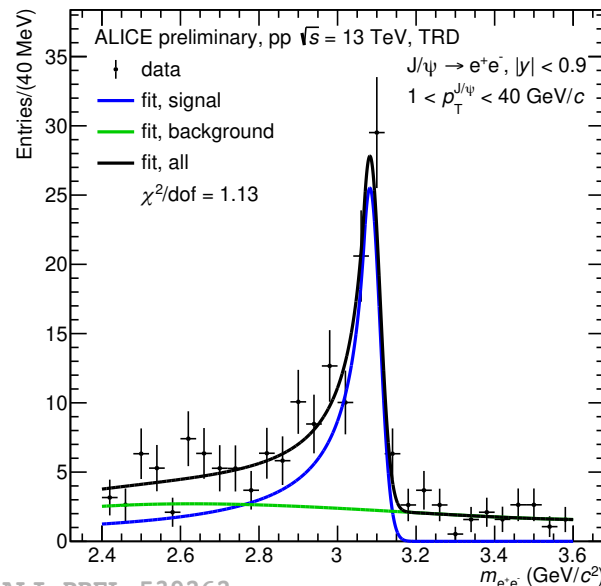
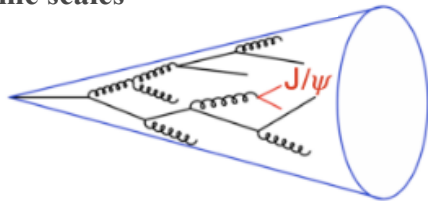


# J/ψ fragmentation function in pp collisions

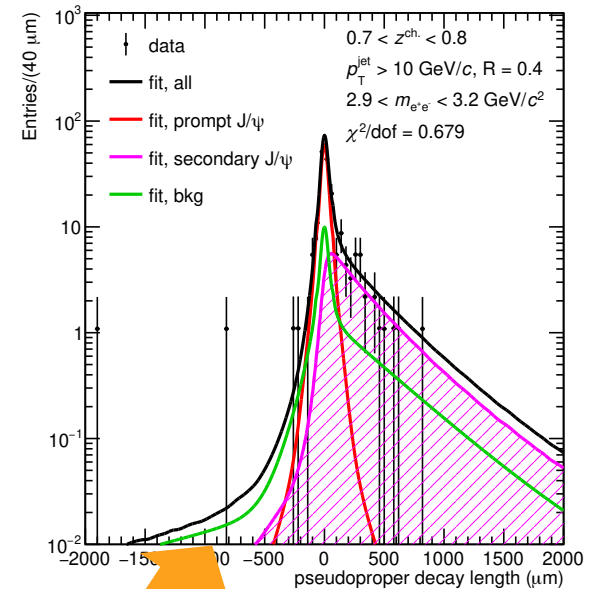
J/ψ production with **small** jet activity  
( $z^{\text{ch.}} \rightarrow 1$ ) may indicate **early formation**



J/ψ production with **large** jet activity  
( $z^{\text{ch.}} < 1$ ) may indicate production at **later** time scales



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Separation of **prompt** charmonium and **non-prompt** charmonium from *b*-hadron decay based on pseudoproper decay length

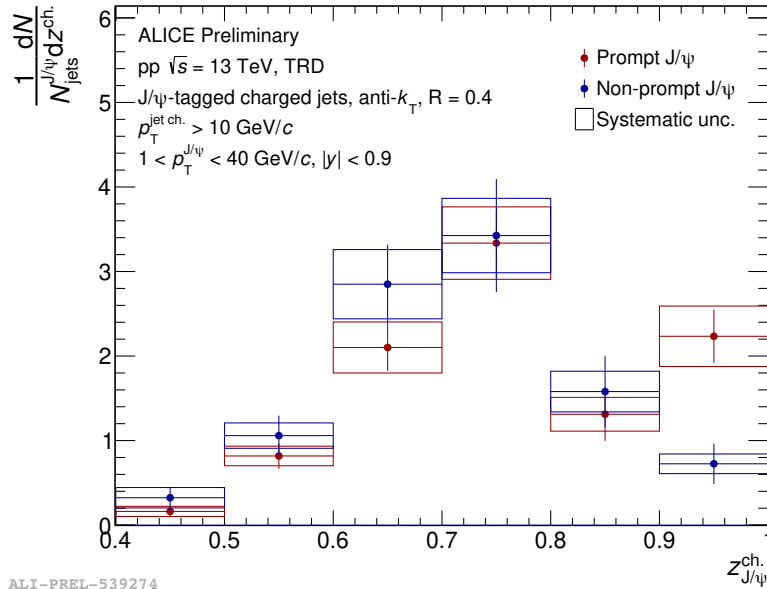
$$z^{\text{ch.}} = \frac{p_T^{J/\psi}}{p_T^{\text{jet, ch.}}}$$



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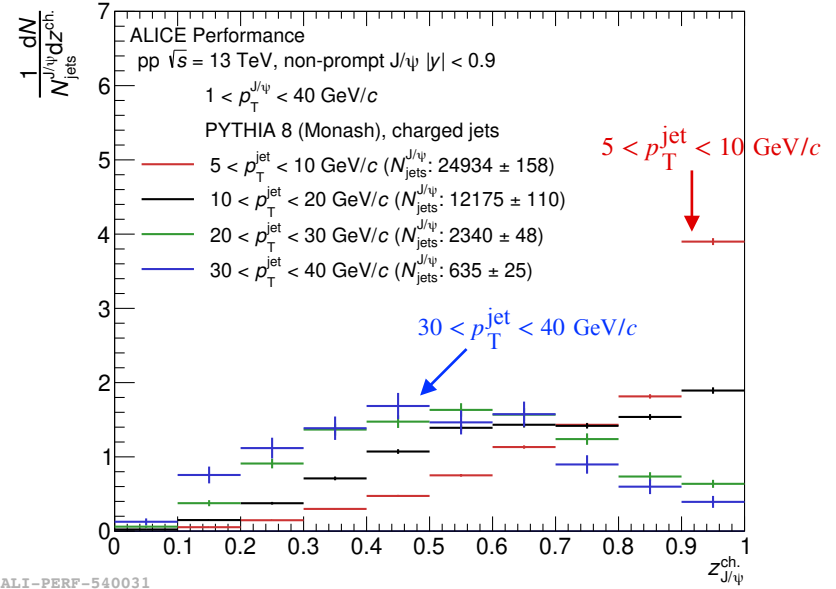
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## J/ψ fragmentation function



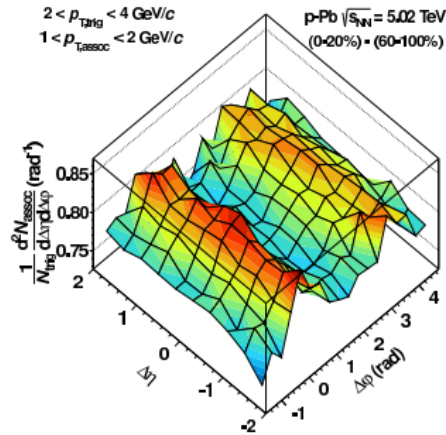
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## PYTHIA 8 studies



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- Prompt and non-prompt J/ψ fragmentation function **similar within uncertainties**
- Comparison to models are needed: fragmentation function is **particularly sensitive** to the chosen jet  $p_T$  range



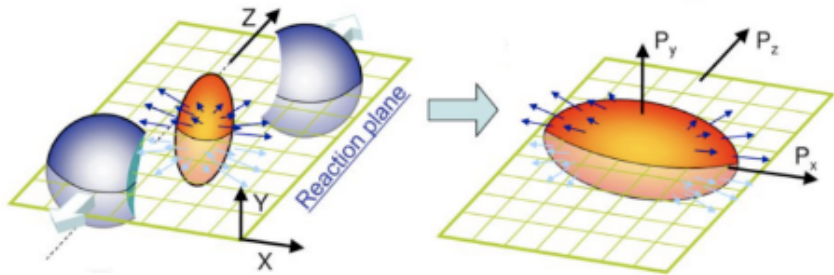
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Small systems — a way to study **MPI** and collective effects



# J/ψ elliptic flow in small systems

$$\frac{dN}{d\varphi_\alpha} \propto 1 + 2 \sum_n [v_{n,\alpha} \cos n(\varphi_\alpha - \Psi_n)]$$

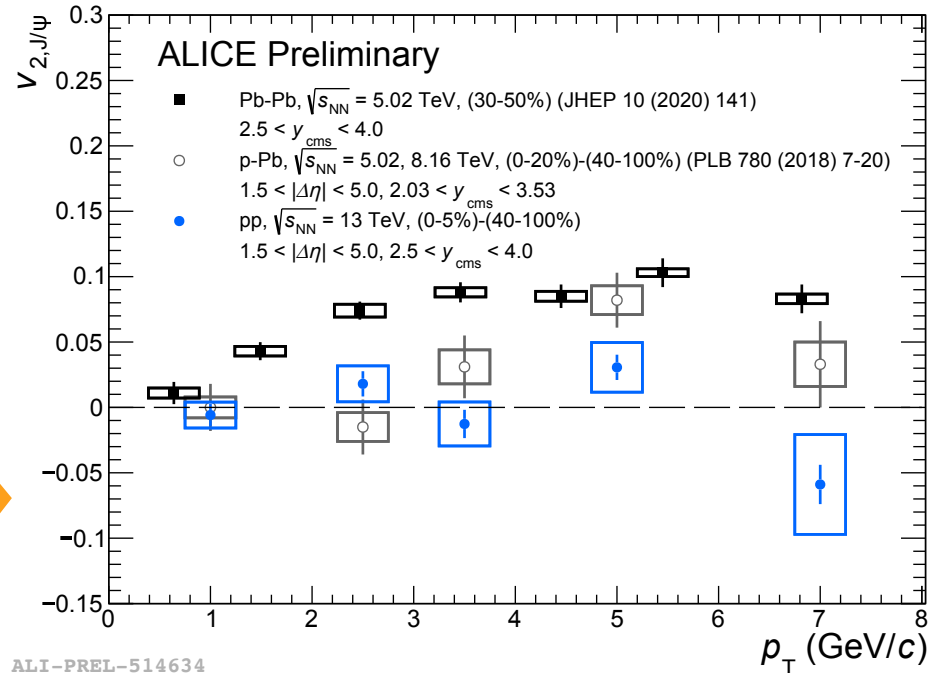


- Elliptic flow: a probe of collectivity
- J/ψ v<sub>2</sub> in **pp compatible with 0**,  
contrary to larger systems



- p-Pb: v<sub>2</sub> > 0 for p<sub>T</sub> > 4 GeV/c
- Pb-Pb: v<sub>2</sub> > 0 for p<sub>T</sub> > 1 GeV/c

## J/ψ v<sub>2</sub> in high mult. pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb





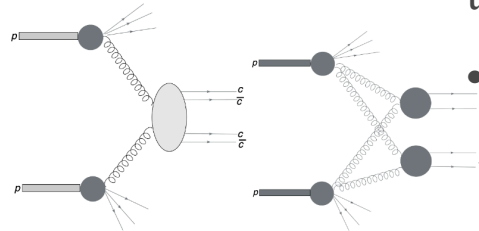
# J/ψ pair production in pp collisions

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Double quarkonium as probe to...

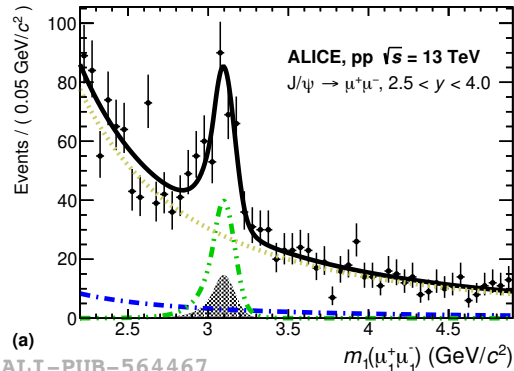
- **J/ψ production mechanism** — pair production provides stringent tests of model calculations
- **DPS and partonic structure of proton**: transverse overlap function  $\sim \sigma_{\text{eff}}$ .

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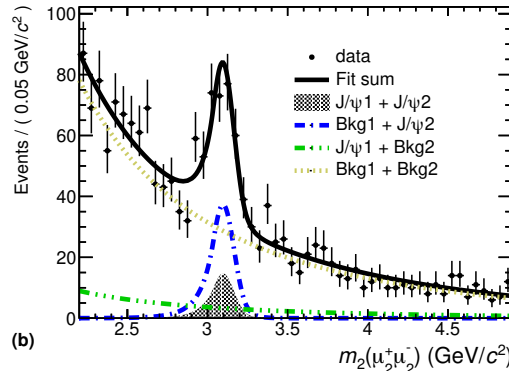


**Consistent with measured LHCb cross section, with two caveats**

- Inclusive J/ψ measured in ALICE vs prompt J/ψ measured by LHCb
- Slightly different rapidity intervals



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	Cross sections (nb)
<b>ALICE</b>	$10.3 \pm 2.3(\text{stat.}) \pm 1.3(\text{syst.})$
<b>LHCb</b>	$15.2 \pm 1.0(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.9(\text{syst.})$

LHCb: JHEP 06 (2017) 047



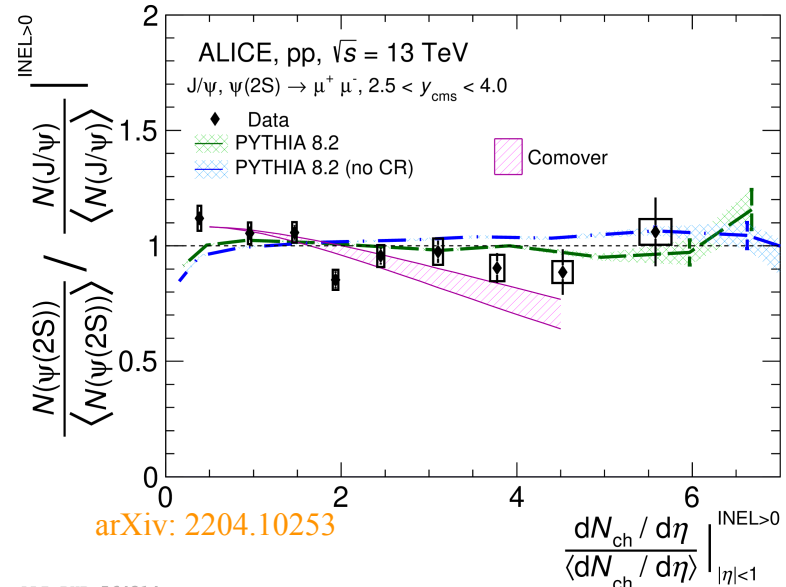
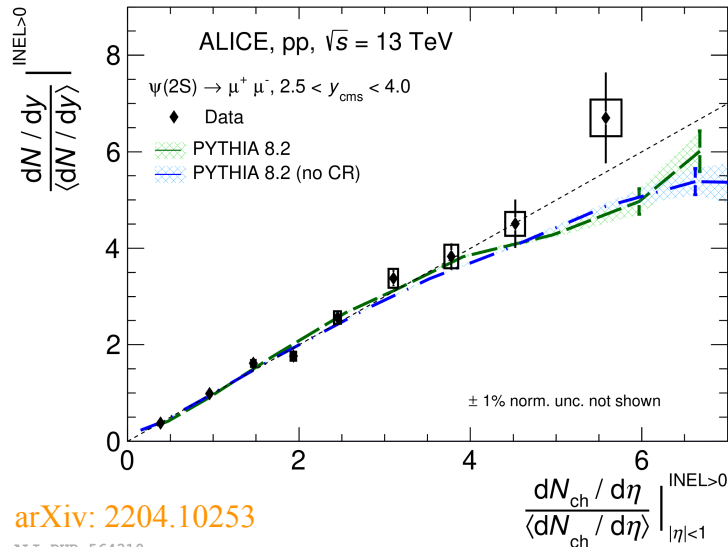
# Conclusions

- **Small collision systems as a way to study production mechanism**
  - First ALICE measurement of  $\psi(2S)$  at midrapidity:  $\psi(2S)$  to  $J/\psi$  ratio in agreement with previous results
    - no rapidity dependence, slight  $p_T$  dependence
  - Similar  $J/\psi$  fragmentation functions for prompt and non-prompt  $J/\psi$
- **Small collision systems as a way to study MPI and collectivity**
  - $J/\psi$   $v_2$  in pp collisions does not show collective effects within uncertainties
  - $J/\psi$  pair production provides important insight into MPI
    - results in agreement with LHCb

# Backup slides



# Inclusive $\psi(2S)$ to $J/\psi$ ratio in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV



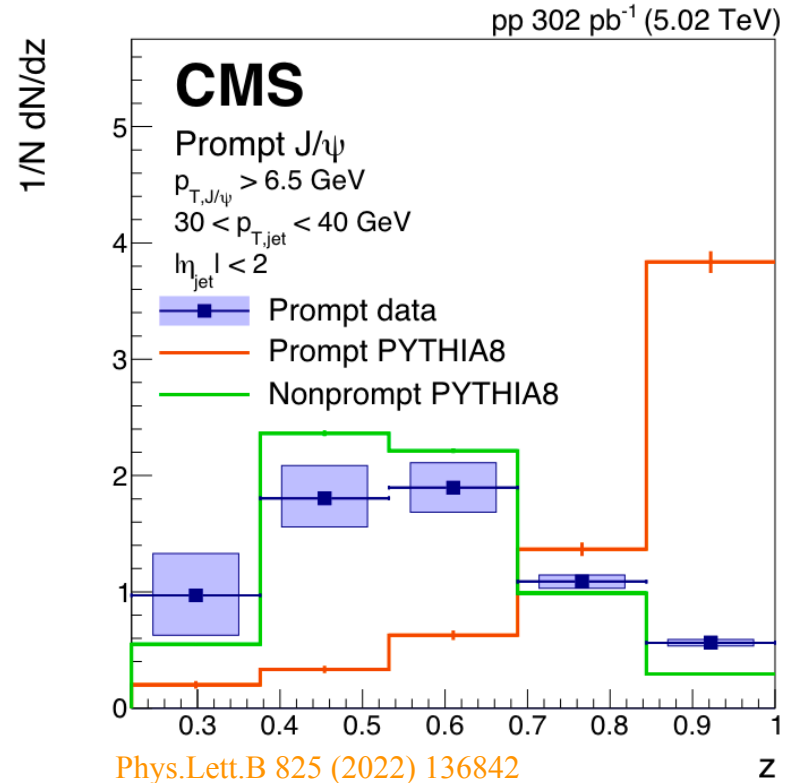
- Inclusive  $\psi(2S)$  production at **forward rapidity** shows a **linear dependence** with midrapidity multiplicity
  - Well described by PYTHIA, with/without color reconnection, with some tension at high multiplicity
- $\psi(2S)$  to  $J/\psi$  double ratio **compatible with unity** → production at forward rapidity **independent of charmonium state**
  - Comover model in agreement with data within uncertainties, tension with PYTHIA at low multiplicity





# $J/\psi$ fragmentation function in pp collisions: CMS results

- Naive expectation:
  - Prompt  $J/\psi$  produced in singlet state (early formation) will have a higher  $\langle z^{\text{ch.}} \rangle$
  - Prompt  $J/\psi$  produced in octet state will have a lower  $\langle z^{\text{ch.}} \rangle$
  - Non-prompt  $J/\psi$  are produced from  $b$  hadrons  $\rightarrow$  gluon emission  $\rightarrow$  lower  $\langle z^{\text{ch.}} \rangle$
- Possible interpretation of CMS results: prompt  $J/\psi$  are primarily produced in CO state / late formation time





# Quarkonium production: models

- **NRQCD** Phys. Rev. Lett. 106 (2011) 042002
  - Combination of color-singlet and color-octet (CO) state
  - Color neutralization of the CO state is treated as a non-perturbative process.
- **ICEM** Phys.Rev.D 94 (2016) 11, 114029
  - Production cross section of a charmonium state is proportional to the  $c\bar{c}$  cross section, integrated between the mass of the charmonium and twice the mass of the lightest D meson
  - invariant mass of the intermediate heavy quark-antiquark pair can be larger than the mass of produced quarkonium
- **PYTHIA 8.2. with Color Reconnection** JHEP08 (2015)003
  - Combination of *initial* and *final state effects*
  - Final state effect at play with MPI where strings are merged based on a QCD full color flow calculation with a loose modeling of dynamical effect via a global saturation
- **Comover model** PBL 731 (2014) 57, JHEP 10 (2018) 094
  - Quarkonia dissociated in final state by interactions with comoving particles