

# Production of fully - heavy tetraquark states through the Double Parton Scattering mechanism in pp and pA collisions.

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## Our goal

- To estimate the production cross section of these tetraquark states ( $T_{4c}$ ,  $T_{4b}$  and  $T_{2b2c}$ ).
- for ( $pp$ ) and ( $pA$ ) collisions
- at the LHC and FCC energies
- considering double parton scattering (DPS).



# Motivations

- Recents experimental results from the LHCb, ATLAS and CMS Collaborations: A peak in the di -  $J/\psi$  channel -> resonance at  $M = 6.9$  GeV -> good candidate for a fully-charm tetraquark state.
- Several Studies: large number of exotic states.
- Mass spectra ✓
- Decay properties ✓
- Production Mechanism of these states are still on debate

➤ Single Parton Scattering (SPS):

Is a **correction** to the leading order **gluon-gluon** scattering, in which an **extra  $Q\bar{Q}$**  pair is produced:  $gg \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}Q\bar{Q}$ .

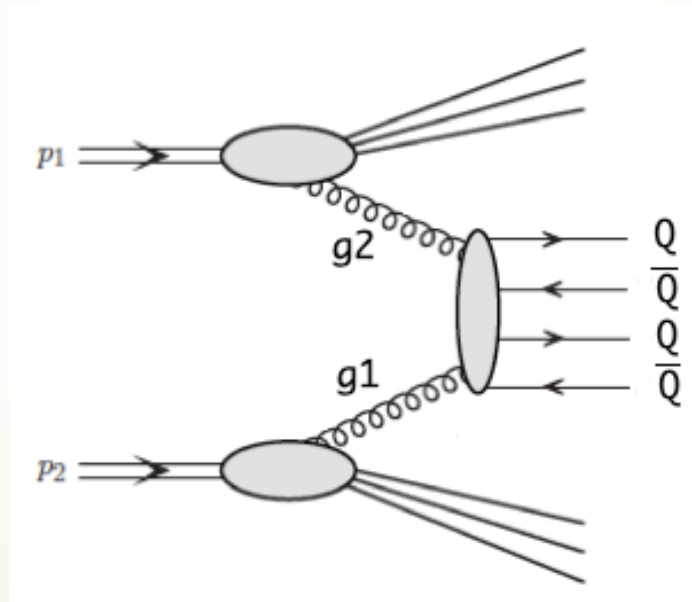


Fig.1 - SPS

➤ Double Parton Parton Scattering (DPS):

two independent leading order gluon-gluon scatterings,  
i.e., **two times the reaction  $gg \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}$ .**

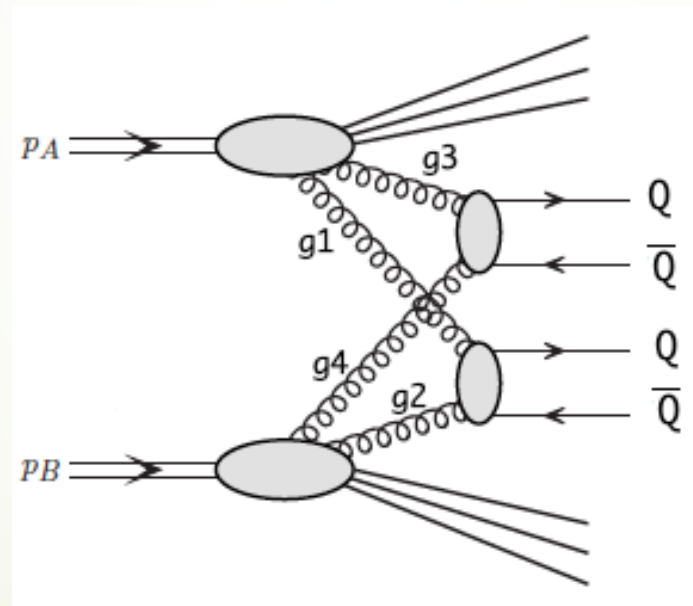


Fig.2 - DPS

## SPS x DPS

- Gluon density grows with the increasing energy.
- SPS and DPS are sensitive to this density:

SPS -> convolution of the gluon densities  $g(x, \mu^2)$  with the partonic cross sections:

$$\sigma_{SPS} \propto g(x_1, \mu^2) \times g(x_2, \mu^2) \times \sigma_{g_1 g_2 \rightarrow Q_i \bar{Q}_j Q_i \bar{Q}_j}$$

$$\sigma_{SPS} \propto g^2 !!$$

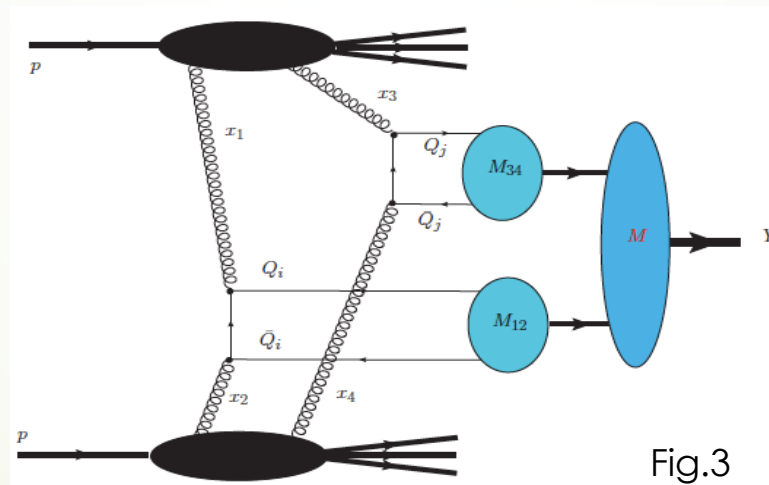
DPS: twice the convolution of the gluon densities with the partonic cross sections.

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{DPS} \propto & g(x_1, \mu^2) \times g(x_2, \mu^2) \times \sigma_{g_1 g_2 \rightarrow Q_i \bar{Q}_j} \\ & \times g(x_3, \mu^2) \times g(x_4, \mu^2) \times \sigma_{g_3 g_4 \rightarrow Q_i \bar{Q}_j} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_{DPS} \propto g^4 !!$$

# Tetraquark states from DPS

- The two  $Q\bar{Q}$  pairs are produced by DPS events.
- We have to bind them together to form the  $T_{4Q}$  state.



## The kinematical constraints:

- invariant masses:  $M_{12}$  and  $M_{34}$
- Rapidities:  $y_{12}$  and  $y_{34}$
- They will form a system with mass  $M = M_{12} + M_{34}$  **if**:
  - $y_{12} = y_{34}$  and
  - $M$  is about the mass of the tetraquark ( $M_{T4Q}$ ).

### ❖ Color Neutral State:

**Color Evaporation Model:** The T4Q becomes color neutral by the exchange of a soft gluon

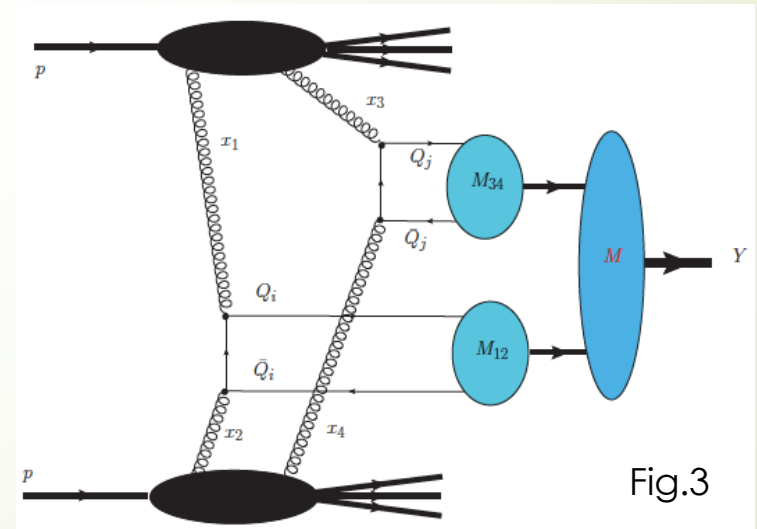


Fig.3




# The calculations

Cross section of the Fig.3: DPS “pocket” formula:

$$\sigma^{DPS} \propto \frac{\sigma_{SPS}^{12} \times \sigma_{SPS}^{34}}{\sigma_{eff}}$$

Where

- $\sigma_{eff} = 15 \text{ nb}$  is a constant extracted from data
- $\sigma_{SPS}$  is the standard QCD parton model formula.



$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_{DPS} = & \frac{F_T}{\sigma_{eff}} \left[ \int dx_1 \int dx_2 g(x_1, \mu^2) g(x_2, \mu^2) \sigma_{g_1 g_2 \rightarrow Q_i \bar{Q}_j} \right] \\
 & \times \left[ \int dx_3 \int dx_4 g(x_3, \mu^2) g(x_4, \mu^2) \sigma_{g_3 g_4 \rightarrow Q_i \bar{Q}_j} \right] \\
 & \times \Theta(1 - x_1 - x_3) \times \Theta(1 - x_2 - x_4) \times \Theta(M_{12}^2 - 4m_{Q_i}^2) \\
 & \times \Theta(M_{34}^2 - 4m_{Q_j}^2) \times \delta(y_{34} - y_{12})
 \end{aligned}$$

Where:

- $g(x, \mu^2)$  is the **gluon distribution function** in the proton
- $\sigma_{gg \rightarrow QQ}$  is the **elementary cross section** for the  $gg \rightarrow QQ$ ;
- The step functions  $\Theta(1 - x_1 - x_3)$  and  $\Theta(1 - x_2 - x_4)$  enforce **momentum conservation**;

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_{DPS} = & \frac{F_T}{\sigma_{eff}} \left[ \int dx_1 \int dx_2 g(x_1, \mu^2) g(x_2, \mu^2) \sigma_{g_1 g_2 \rightarrow Q_i \bar{Q}_j} \right] \\
& \times \left[ \int dx_3 \int dx_4 g(x_3, \mu^2) g(x_4, \mu^2) \sigma_{g_3 g_4 \rightarrow Q_i \bar{Q}_j} \right] \\
& \times \Theta(1 - x_1 - x_3) \times \Theta(1 - x_2 - x_4) \times \Theta(M_{12}^2 - 4m_{Q_i}^2) \\
& \times \Theta(M_{34}^2 - 4m_{Q_j}^2) \times \delta(y_{34} - y_{12})
\end{aligned}$$

- The step functions  $\Theta(M_{12}^2 - 4m_{Q_i}^2)$  and  $\Theta(M_{34}^2 - 4m_{Q_j}^2)$   $\rightarrow$  the invariant masses  $M_{12}$  and  $M_{34}$  are **large enough** to produce heavy quarks;
- The delta function  $\delta(y_{34} - y_{12})$   $\rightarrow$  two pairs are in the **same rapidity**.
- $F_T$  is a constant **to be determined**.

Remembering that:

$$y_{12} = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{x_1}{x_2} \right) \quad y_{34} = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{x_3}{x_4} \right) \quad M_{12} = \sqrt{x_1 x_2 s} \quad M_{34} = \sqrt{x_3 x_4 s}$$

we **change** the variables from  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ ,  $x_3$ , and  $x_4$  to  $y_{12}$ ,  $y_{34}$ ,  $M_{12}$ , and  $M_{34}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{T_4 Q}(\sqrt{s}) = & \frac{F_T}{\sigma_{eff}} \left[ \frac{1}{s} \int dy_{12} \int dM_{12}^2 g(\bar{x}_1, \mu^2) g(\bar{x}_2, \mu^2) \sigma_{g_1 g_2 \rightarrow Q_i \bar{Q}_j} \right] \\ & \times \left[ \frac{1}{s} \int dy_{34} \int dM_{34}^2 g(\bar{x}_3, \mu^2) g(\bar{x}_4, \mu^2) \sigma_{g_3 g_4 \rightarrow Q_i \bar{Q}_j} \right] \\ & \times \Theta(1 - \bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_3) \times \Theta(1 - \bar{x}_2 - \bar{x}_4) \times \Theta(M_{12}^2 - 4m_{Q_i}^2) \\ & \times \Theta(M_{34}^2 - 4m_{Q_j}^2) \times \delta(y_{34} - y_{12}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Where } \bar{x}_1 = \frac{M_{12}}{\sqrt{s}} e^{y_{12}} \quad \bar{x}_2 = \frac{M_{12}}{\sqrt{s}} e^{-y_{12}} \quad \bar{x}_3 = \frac{M_{34}}{\sqrt{s}} e^{y_{34}} \quad \bar{x}_4 = \frac{M_{34}}{\sqrt{s}} e^{-y_{34}}$$

## Ingredients to the calculation

- $g(x, \mu^2)$ : **CT14** parametrization [PRD 89, n°.3, 033009 (2014)]
- $\sigma_{gg \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}}$ : the standard **Leading order QCD** result:

$$\sigma_{gg \rightarrow Q\bar{Q}} = \frac{\pi\alpha_s^2(M_{ij}^2)}{3M_{ij}^2} \left\{ \left( 1 + \frac{4m_Q^2}{M_{ij}^2} + \frac{m_Q^4}{M_{ij}^4} \right) \ln \left[ \frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta} \right] - \frac{1}{4} \left( 7 + \frac{31m_Q^2}{M_{ij}^2} \right) \beta \right\}$$

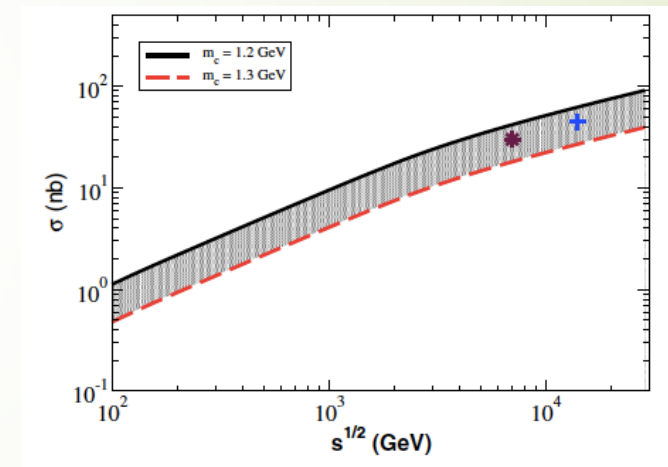
where  $\beta = \left[ 1 - \frac{4m_Q^2}{M_{ij}^2} \right]^{1/2}$

- $F_T$  for the  $T_{4c}, T_{4b}$  and  $T_{2c2b}$  states.

In the Ref. [PRD 93, n°.3, 034004 \(2016\)](#),  
 we have estimated  $F_{T_{4c}}$  in terms of the **cross section for the X(3872) production**:

$$F_X \approx 0.01 \rightarrow \sigma_X (\sqrt{s} = 7.0 \text{ TeV}) \approx 30 \text{ nb}$$

(CMS collaboration in *pp* collisions)



We imposed a "penalty" factor:

$$\sigma_{T_{4c}} = \frac{\sigma_{c\bar{c}c\bar{c}}}{\sigma_{c\bar{c}q\bar{q}}} \sigma_X \approx \frac{\sigma_{c\bar{c}} * \sigma_{c\bar{c}}}{\sigma_{c\bar{c}} * \sigma_{q\bar{q}}} \sigma_X \approx \frac{\sigma_{c\bar{c}}}{\sigma_{inel}} \sigma_X \approx 0.12 \sigma_X \rightarrow F_T \approx 0.12 F_X \approx 0.0012$$



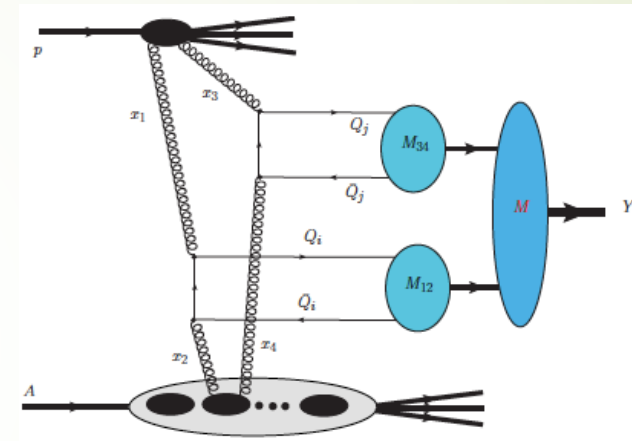
Ref. [PRD D 65, 037503 \(2002\)](#) has indicated that the value of this factor is similar for different quarkonium states.

We assumed **the same value in the calculation of the T4b and T2b2c** production cross sections.

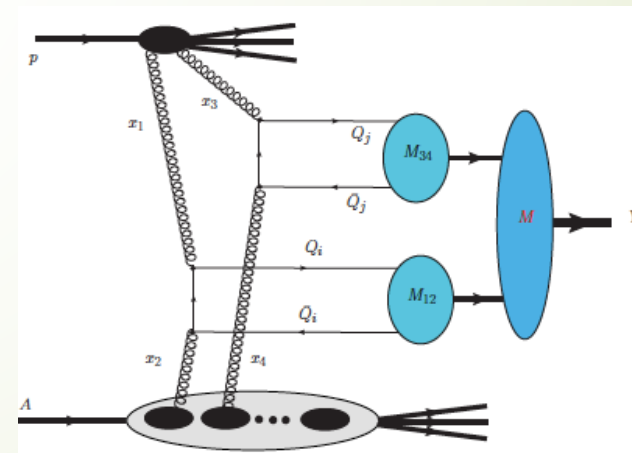
# Generalization to pA collisions

## Important things:

- the **parton flux** is enhanced by a **factor  $\propto$  atomic number  $A$**
- two contributions:
  - **DPS1: gluons from the same nucleon**
  - **DPS2: gluons from different nucleons**



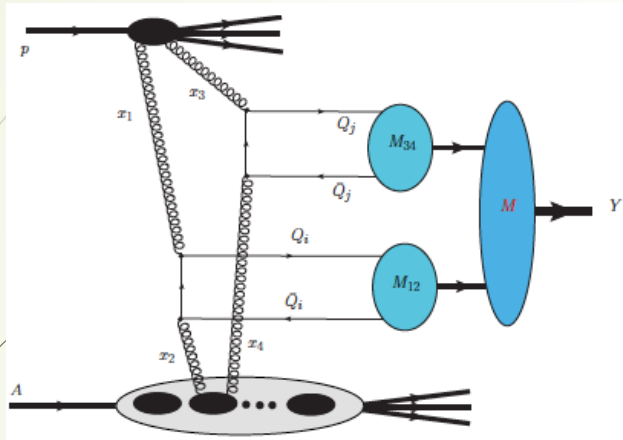
DPS1



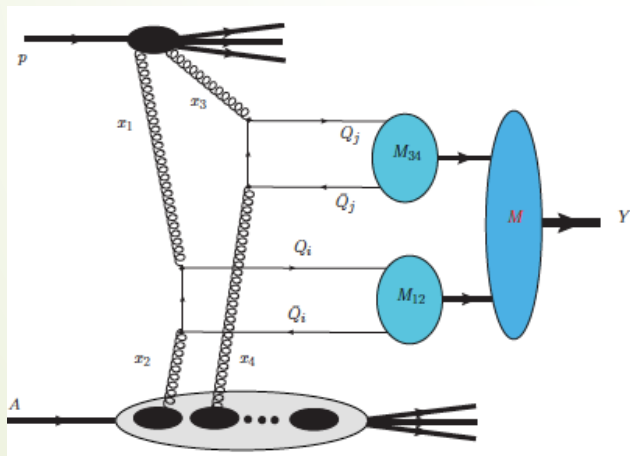
DPS2



Following Refs. PRL. 88, 031801 (2002) and PLB 718, 1395 (2013) we have:



$$\sigma_{DPS1}^{pA} = A \cdot \sigma_{DPS}^{pp}$$



$$\sigma_{DPS2}^{pA} = \sigma_{DPS}^{pp} \cdot \sigma_{eff} \cdot F_{pA}$$

Where  $F_{pA} = [(A - 1)/A] \int T_{pA}^2(r) d^2r$

$r$  is impact parameter

$T_{pA}$  is the nuclear thickness function.

Assuming:  $R_A = r_0 A^{1/3}$  (spherical nucleus, uniform nucleon density):

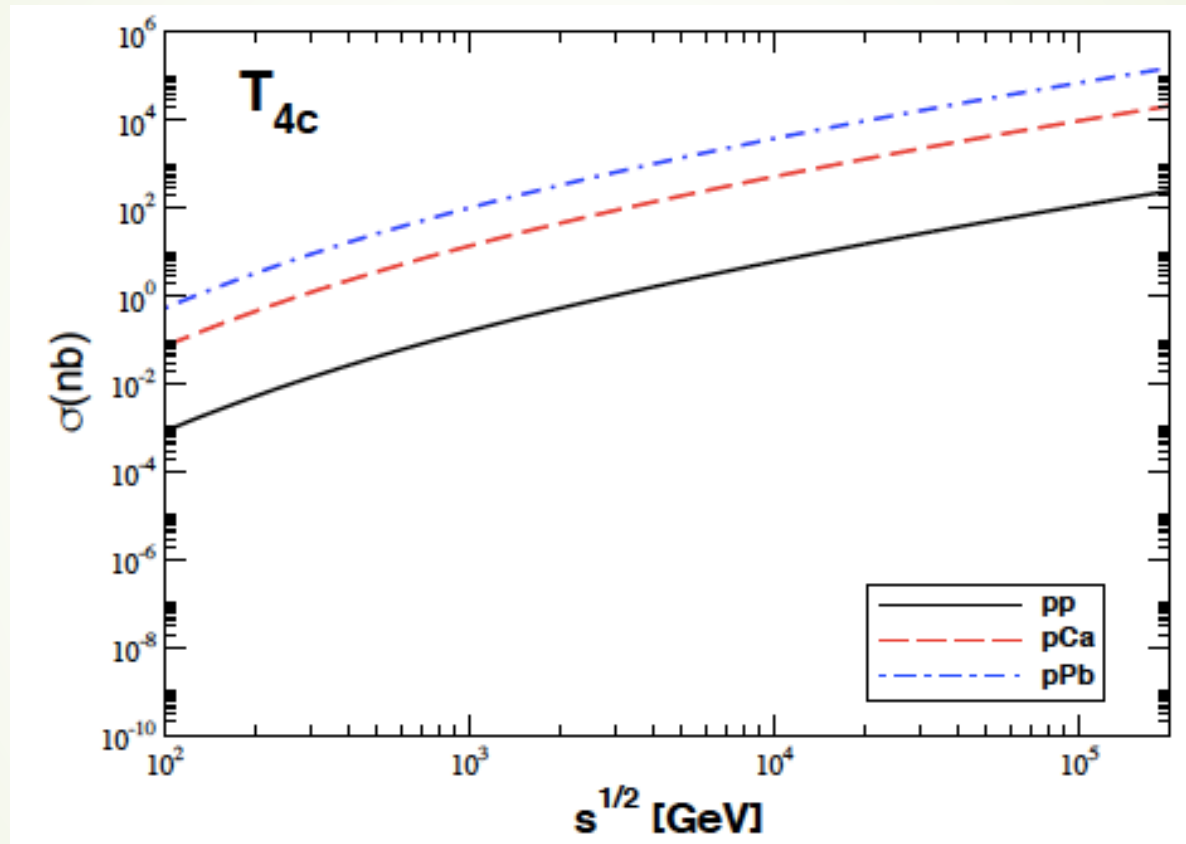
$$F_{pA} = 9A(A - 1)/(8\pi R_A^2)$$

And then:

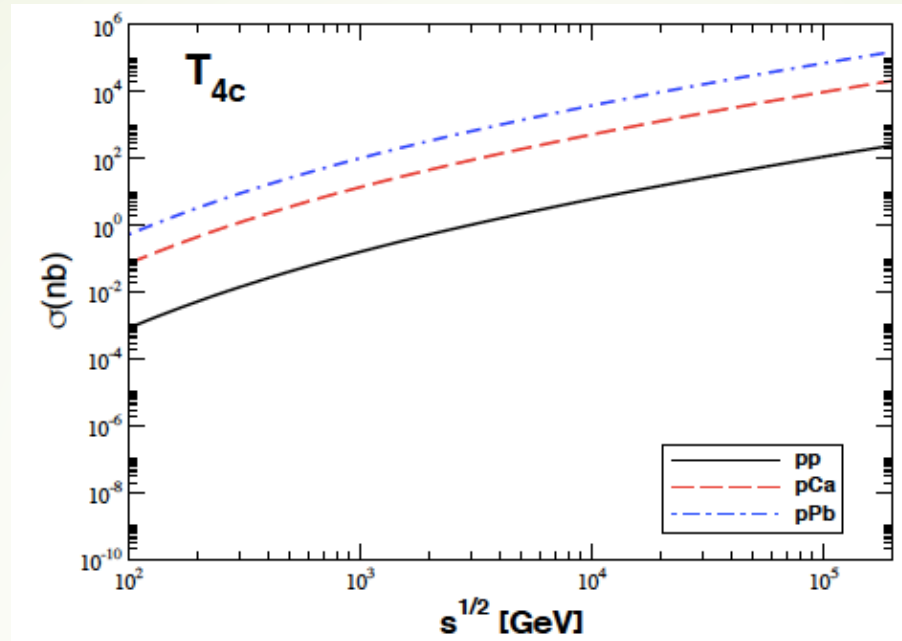
$$\sigma_{pA \rightarrow T_4Q}^{DPS} = \sigma_{pA \rightarrow T_4Q}^{DPS1} + \sigma_{pA \rightarrow T_4Q}^{DPS2} = A \cdot \sigma_{pp \rightarrow T_4Q}^{DPS} \cdot \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{A} \sigma_{eff} \cdot F_{pA} \right]$$

( $A = 40$  and  $A = 208$ )

# Results



1) A strong increasing with the energy  $\rightarrow \sigma_{DPS} \propto g(x)^4$



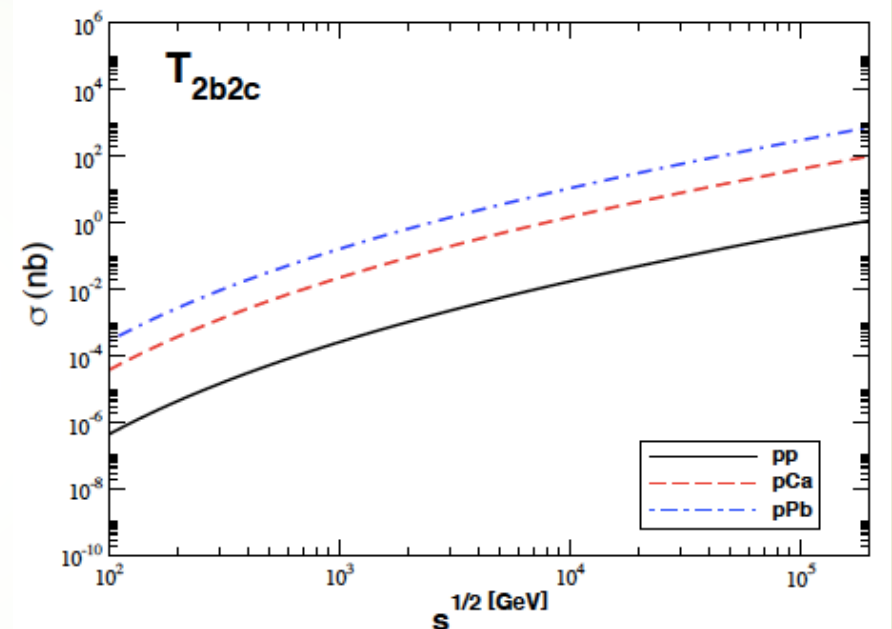
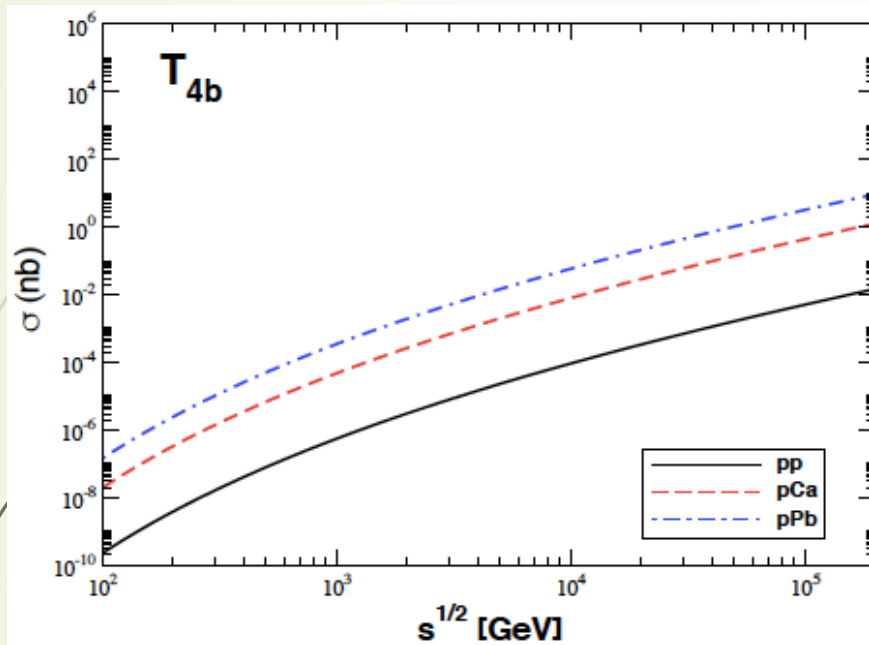
2) not a simple  $A$  scaling of the  $pp$  prediction:

- $\sigma_{pCa} \approx 85 \times \sigma_{pp}$

- $\sigma_{pPb} \approx 630 \times \sigma_{pp}$   $\longrightarrow$

In agreement with MPLA 33, n°.25,  
1850141(2018) – first results for heavy  
quark pair production in  $pA$  collisions

## Predictions for the $T_{4b}$ and $T_{2b2c}$ production

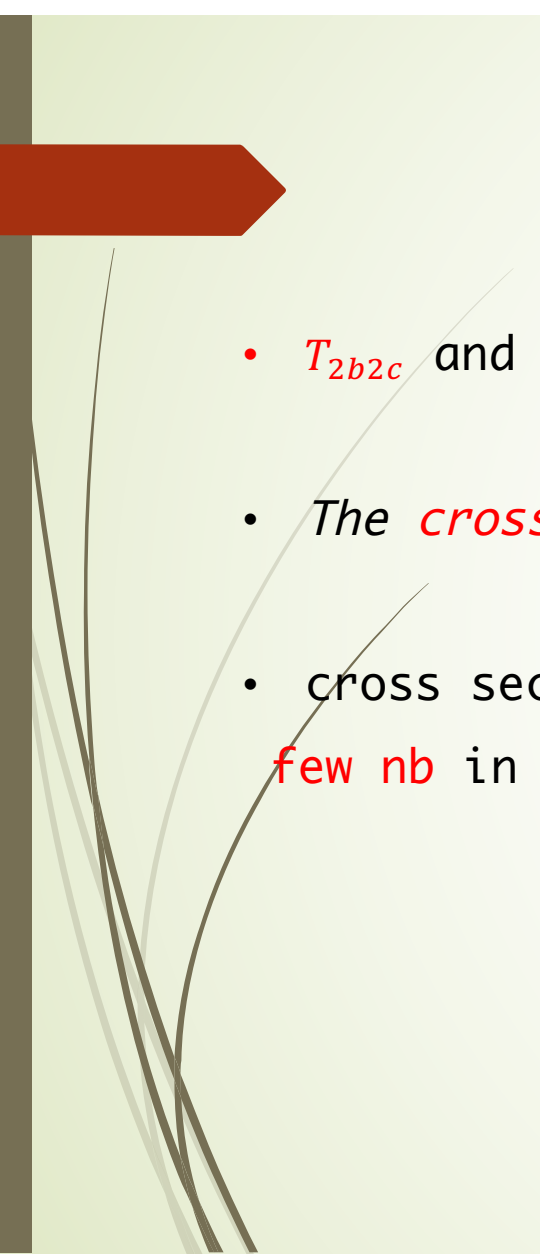


- The energy behaviour is similar
- The  $pA$  cross sections are enhanced by a similar factor in comparison to the  $pp$  predictions.

The main difference: **magnitude**

LHC	$pp (\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV})$		$pCa (\sqrt{s} = 8.1 \text{ TeV})$		$pPb (\sqrt{s} = 8.1 \text{ TeV})$	
	Central	Forward	Central	Forward	Central	Forward
$\sigma_{T4c}(nb)$	6	2	520	160	3820	1170
$\sigma_{T2b2c}(nb)$	0.02	0.006	1.8	0.5	13	3.5
$\sigma_{T4b}(nb)$	0.0003	0.00008	0.03	0.007	0.21	0.05

FCC	$pp (\sqrt{s} = 100 \text{ TeV})$		$pCa (\sqrt{s} = 63 \text{ TeV})$		$pPb (\sqrt{s} = 63 \text{ TeV})$	
	Central	Forward	Central	Forward	Central	Forward
$\sigma_{T4c}(nb)$	57	22	4920	1870	36000	13700
$\sigma_{T2b2c}(nb)$	0.27	0.09	23	8	170	60
$\sigma_{T4b}(nb)$	0.008	0.003	0.7	0.22	5	1.6

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- $T_{2b2c}$  and  $T_{4b}$  are two and four orders of magnitude smaller than  $T_{4c}$
  - The cross sections grow with the energy.
  - cross sections:  
few nb in pp  $\rightarrow$  become  $\sim 10$  to  $100$  times larger in pA collisions

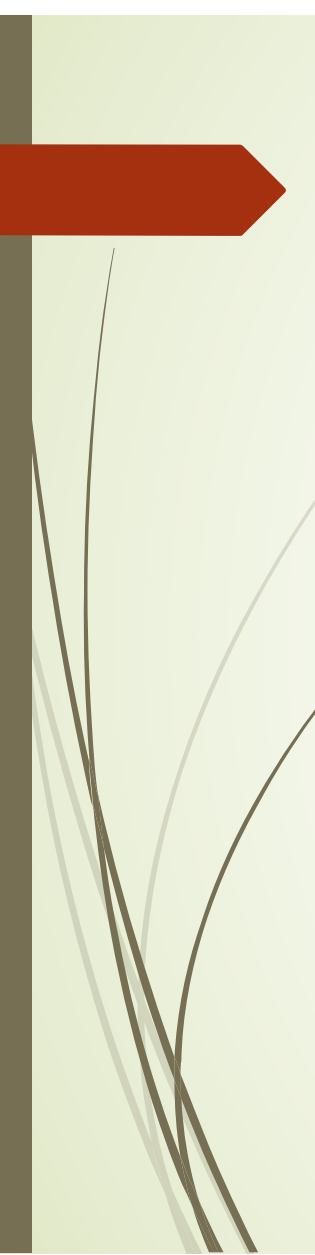


Good place to looking for tetraquark states!

## Summary

- We have investigated the production of fully – heavy tetraquark states through the double parton scattering (DPS) in  $pp$  and  $pA$  collisions at the LHC and FCC energies.
- We have calculated the cross section for the  $T_{4c}$ ,  $T_{4b}$  and  $T_{2b2c}$  states.
- We found that  $T_{4b}$  and  $T_{2b2c}$  cross sections are smaller than the  $T_{4c}$  productions, but we predict an increasing in the cross sections at the higher energies, which makes possible to search for these states in the forthcoming years.



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- We have demonstrated that in  $pA$  collisions, the **DPS** cross sections are enhanced by a factor **larger than** the  **$A$  scaling**.
  - Such result indicates that a future experimental analysis of the  **$T_{4Q}$  production in  $pA$  collisions can be useful** to probe the existence of these states, as well to improve our understanding of the double parton scattering mechanism.

*Thank You!*