

CMS studies and plans in photon-induced pPb at the LHC

(and connections to the UPC PbPb program)

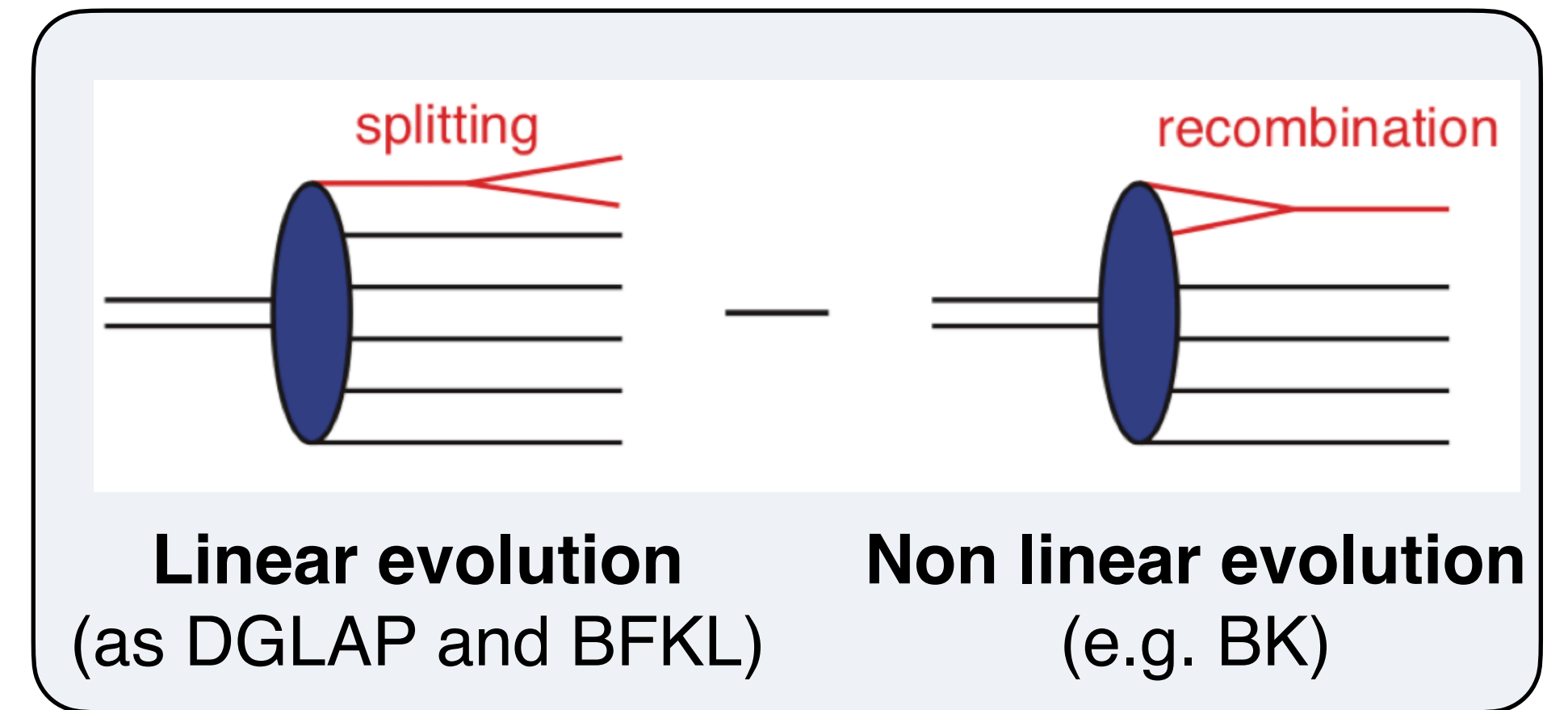
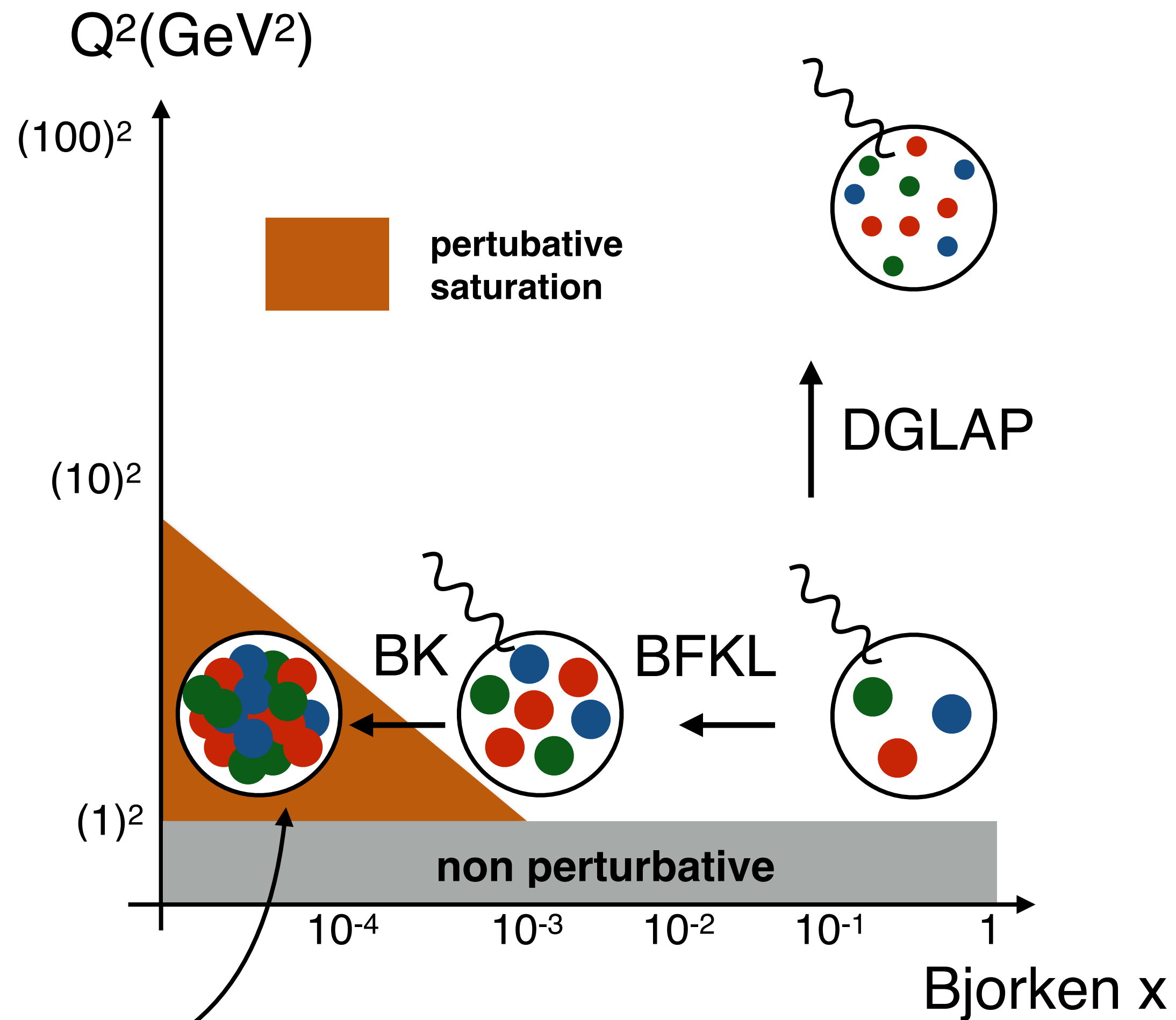
Gian Michele Innocenti for the CMS collaboration

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Physics with high-luminosity proton-nucleus collisions at the LHC

Jul 4-5, 2024, CERN

Constraining parton dynamics in nuclei in (x, Q^2)

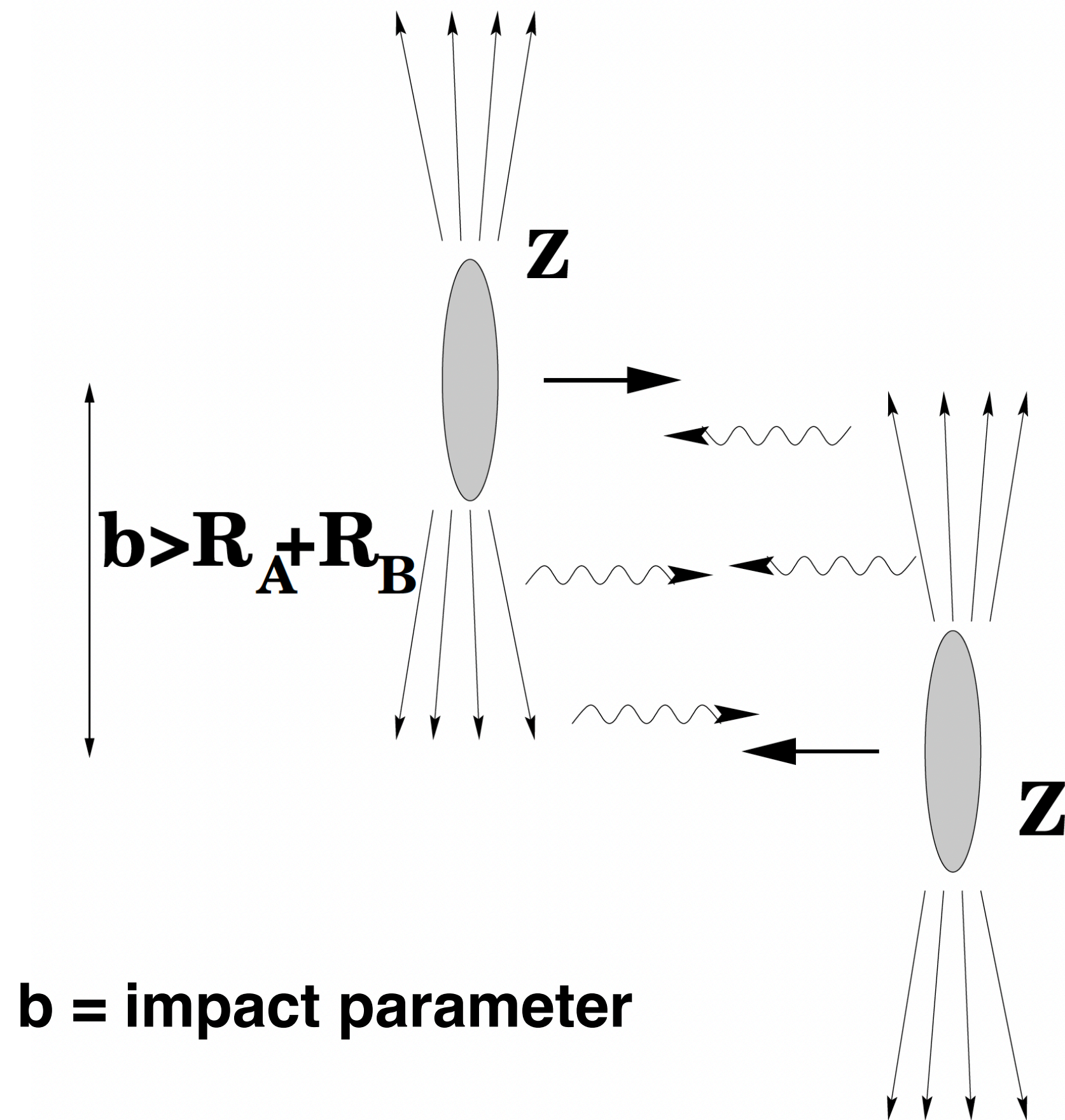


In nuclei, saturation expected at higher x

- does it exist? is it experimentally reachable?
- what is its shape in (x, Q^2) ?
- what is the dependence on A ?

Accessing the saturation scale is expected to be easier in nuclei (due to the higher initial partonic density)

Ultra-Peripheral heavy-ion collisions



Ultra-peripheral collisions (impact parameter $b > R_A + R_B$)

- Flux of photon is proportional to Z^2

- **Photon kinematics:**

- $p_T < \hbar/R_A \sim 30 \text{ MeV}$

- $E_{\text{max}} \sim O(100) \text{ GeV}$ at LHC.

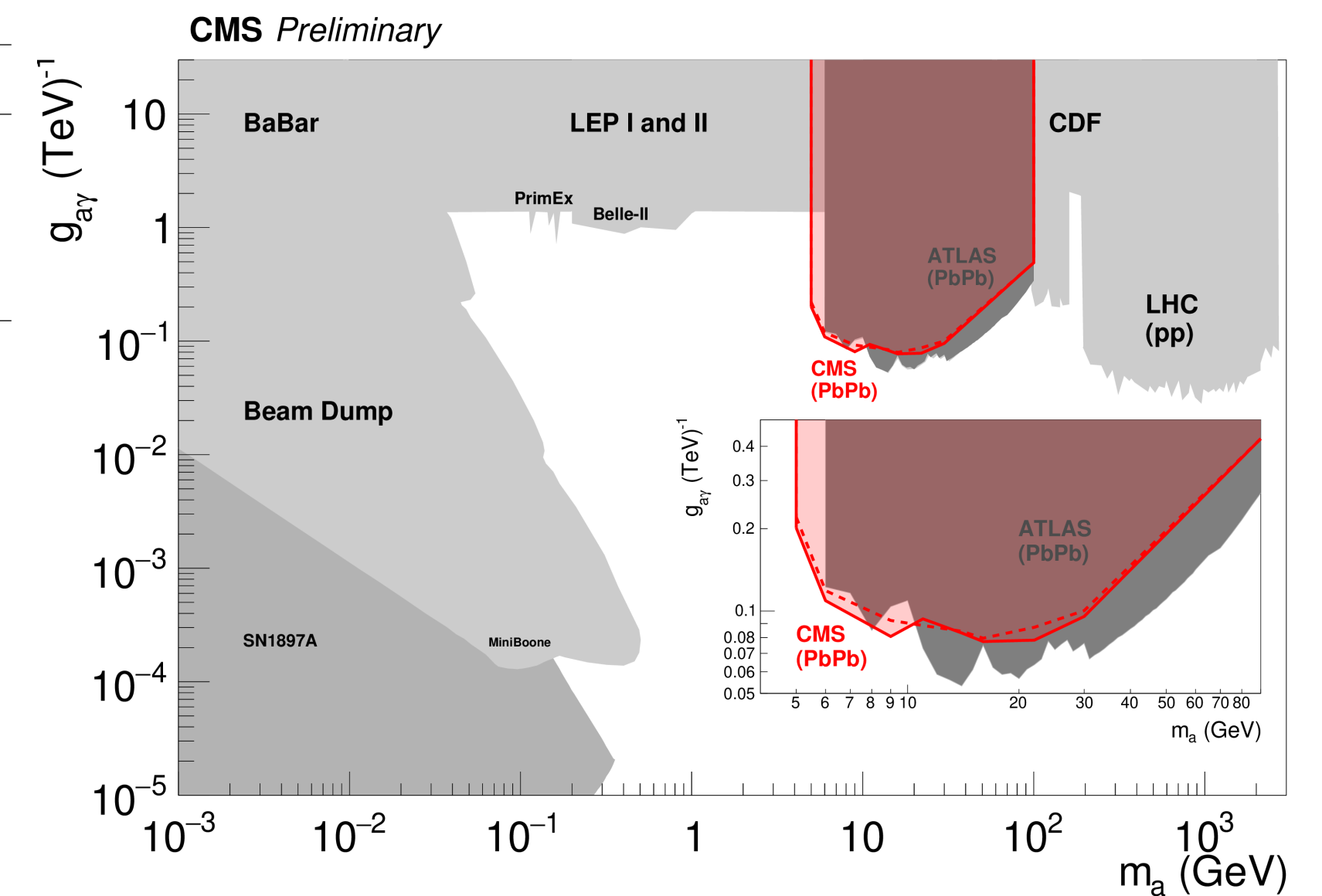
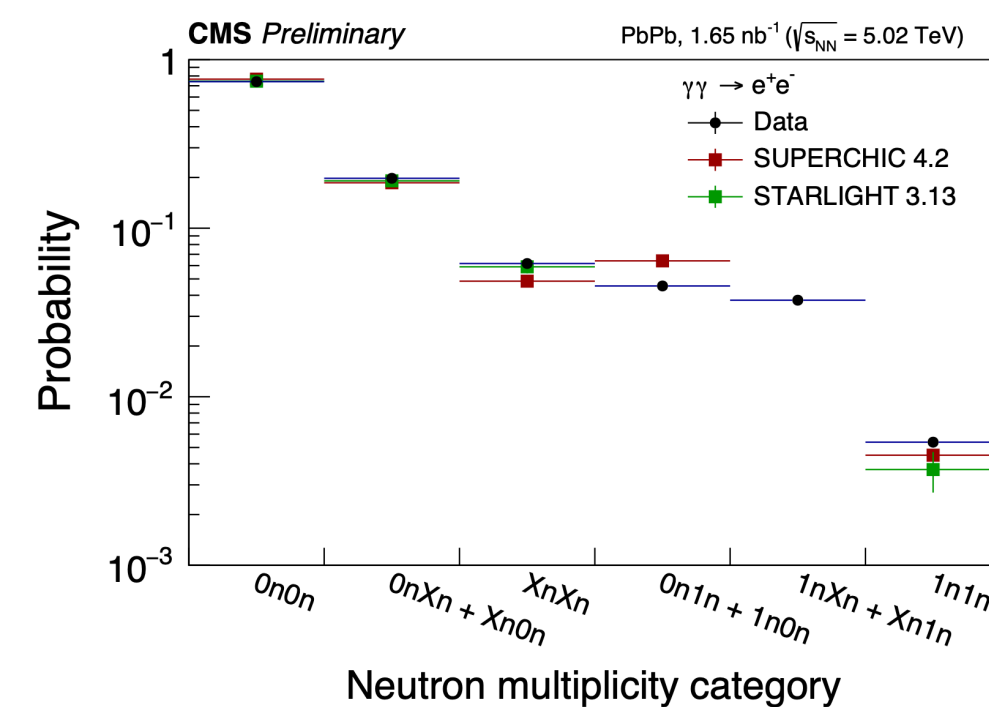
When running on PbPb, LHC is effectively a $\gamma\gamma$ and γN collider!

→ access to high-energy photon-nuclear collisions to test nuclear matter effect in absence of final-state effects (as in pPb)

Recent QCD UPC measurements in PbPb collisions with CMS and highlights for Run 3

CMS-HIN-21-015

Neutron multiplicity category	Data	Probability (%)	
		SUPERCHIC 4.2	STARLIGHT 3.13
0n0n	74.0 ± 0.7	76.6 ± 1.0	74.5 ± 1.0
0nXn + Xn0n	19.8 ± 0.5	18.6 ± 0.2	19.1 ± 1.0
XnXn	6.2 ± 0.2	4.9 ± 0.1	5.9 ± 0.5
0n1n + 1n0n	4.5 ± 0.2	6.4 ± 0.1	—
1nXn + Xn1n	3.7 ± 0.1	—	—
1n1n	0.54 ± 0.04	0.5 ± 0.0	0.4 ± 0.1

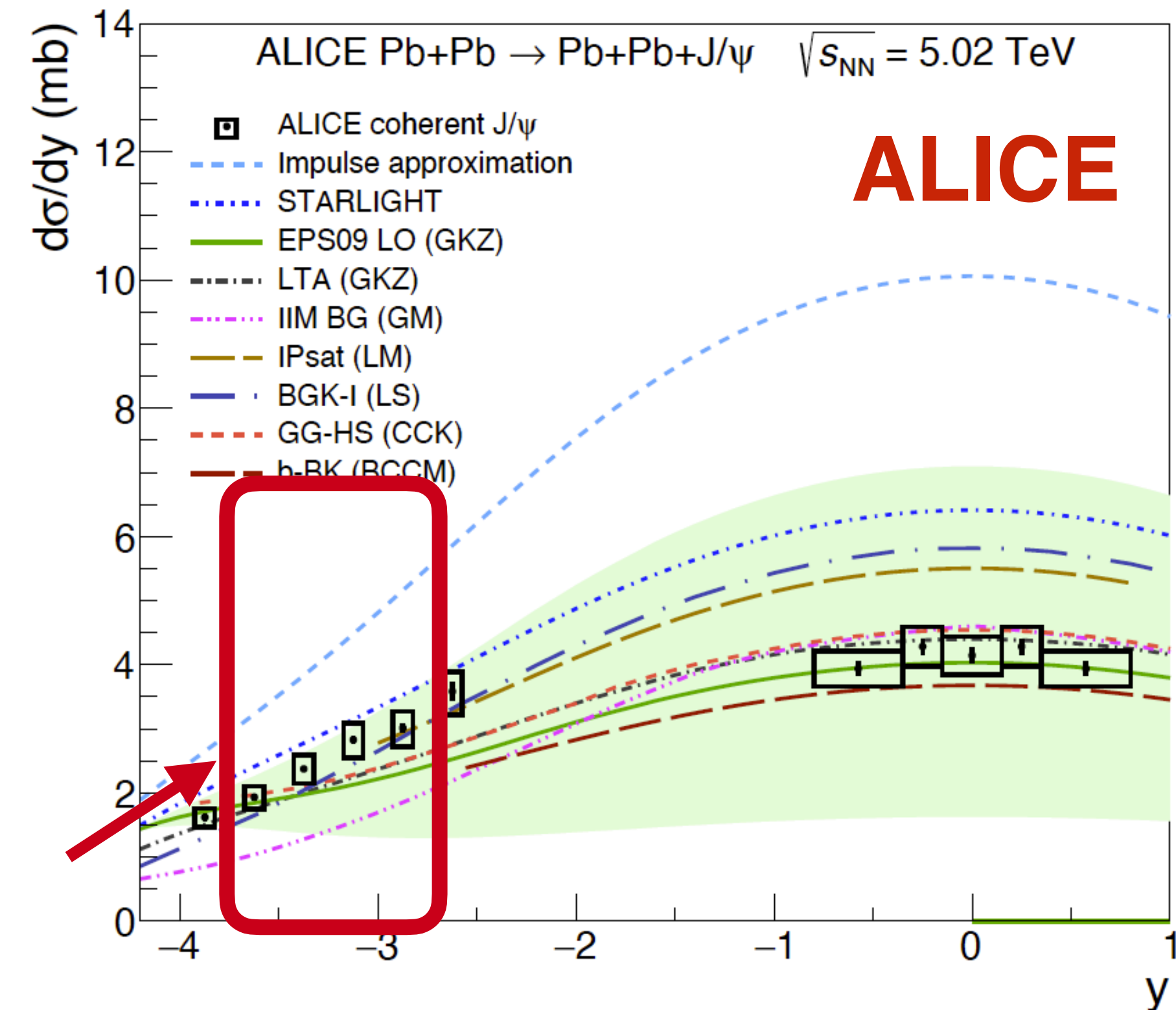
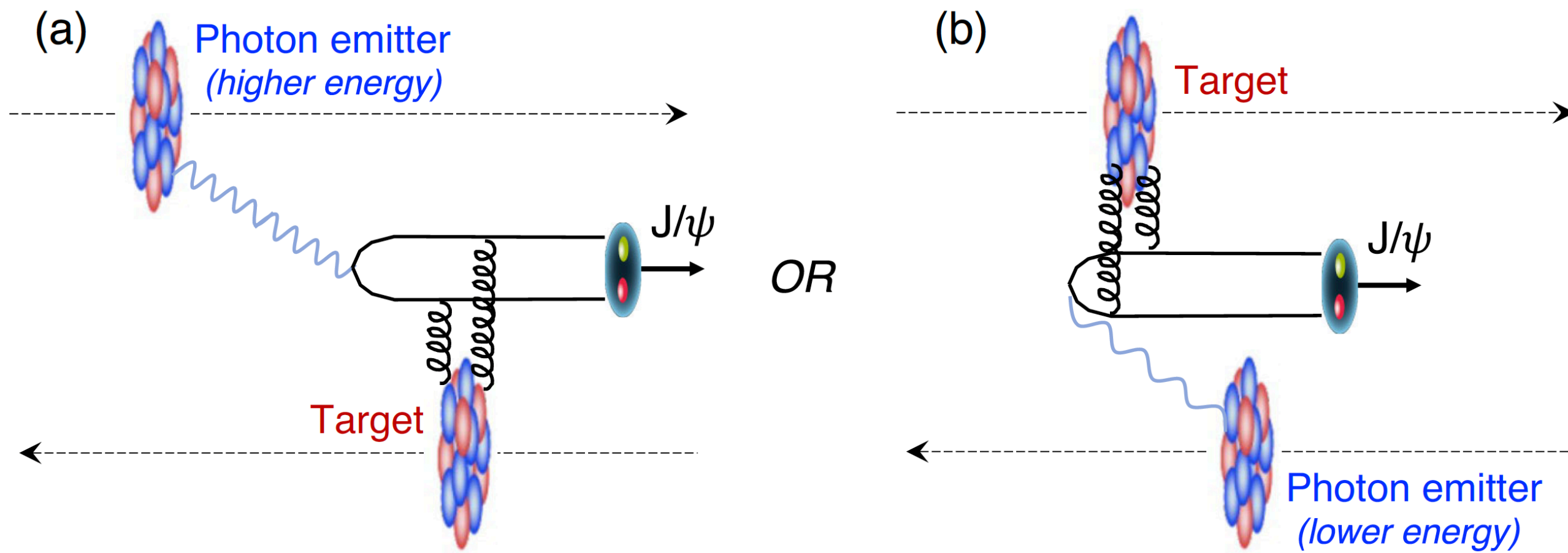


See d'Enterria's talk at Moriond QCD 2024 ([link](#))

Coherent J/ψ photoproduction in UPC PbPb collisions

$Q^2 \sim M_{cc}^2 \text{ GeV}^2$, $x_A \sim \text{shadowing}$
 (gluon PDFs)²
 - $4.0 < y^* < -2.5$ (forward)

→ access to gluon PDF in **absence of hadronic interactions**

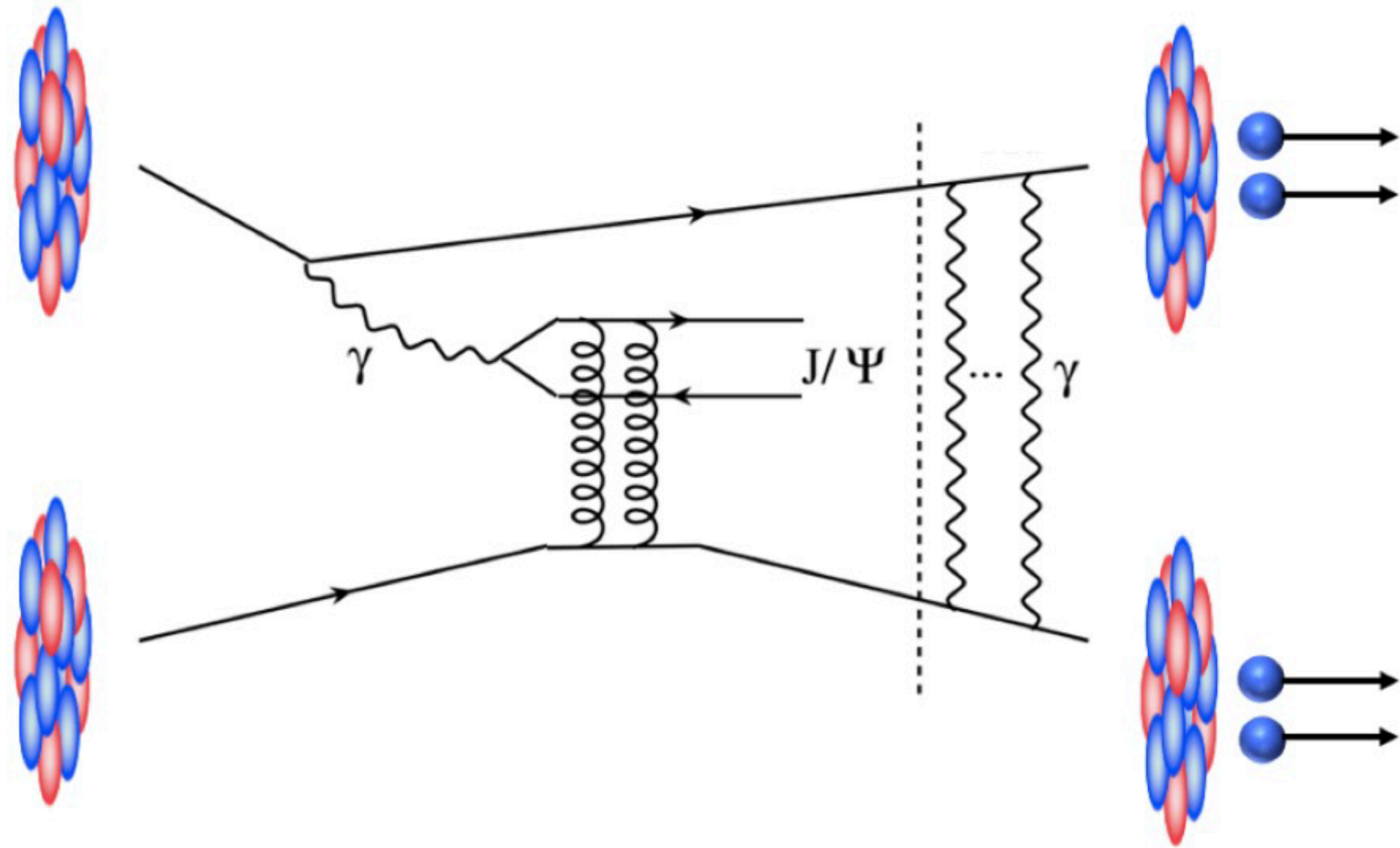


At fixed y , contributions from different x regions (higher and lower)

Two-way ambiguity can limit the constraining power due to large uncertainty on the determination of x !

- The initial direction of the photon is not fully defined

Coherent J/ψ in PbPb UPCs with forward-neutron tag with CMS



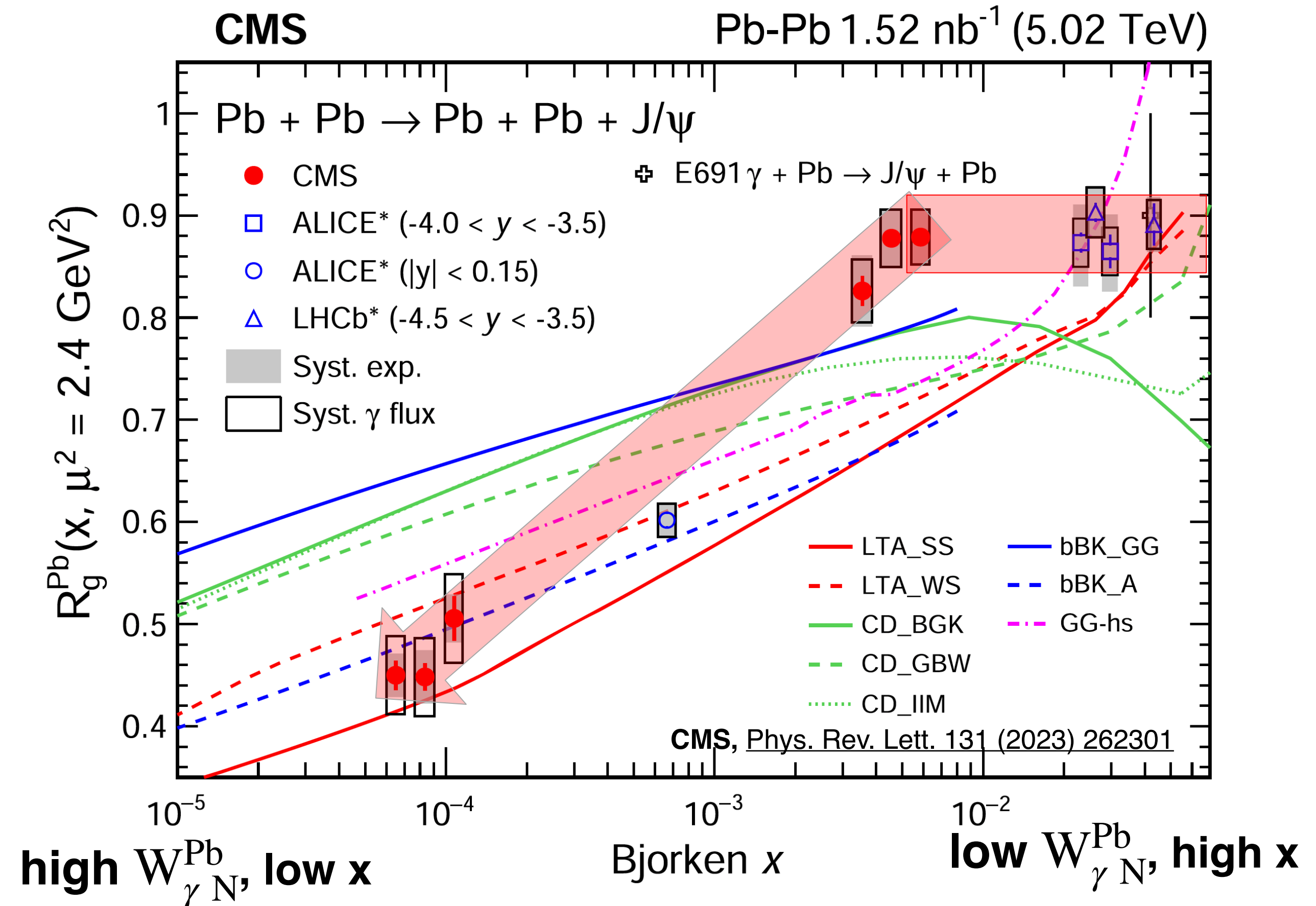
For events with Xn “on the same side” of the J/ψ :

→ select low impact-parameter events ($P_{EMD} \sim 1/b^2$)

→ **high-energy photon, low-x events**

→ **increased sensitivity to low-x effects without “W+W-“ ambiguities**

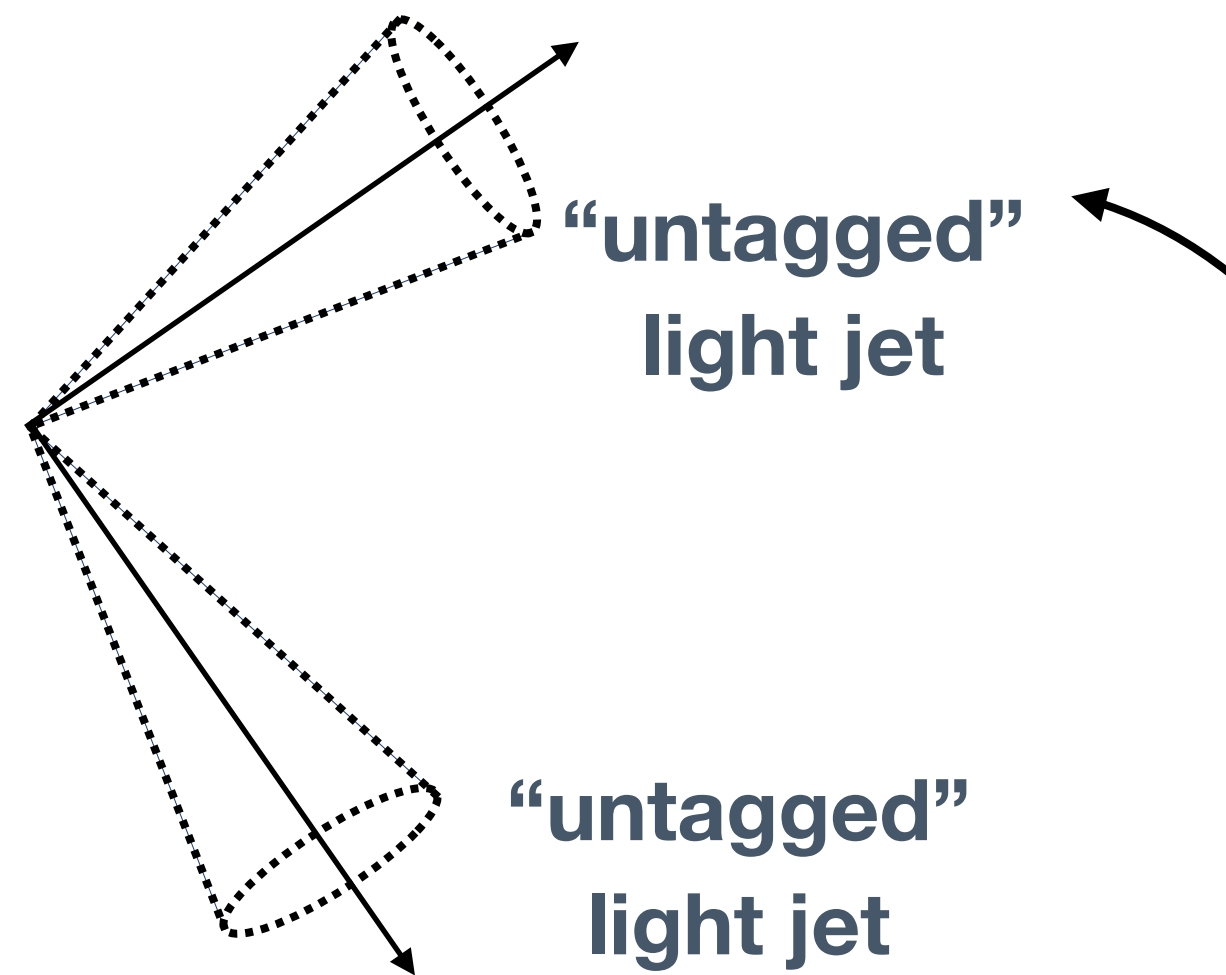
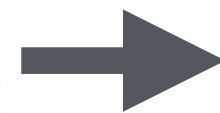
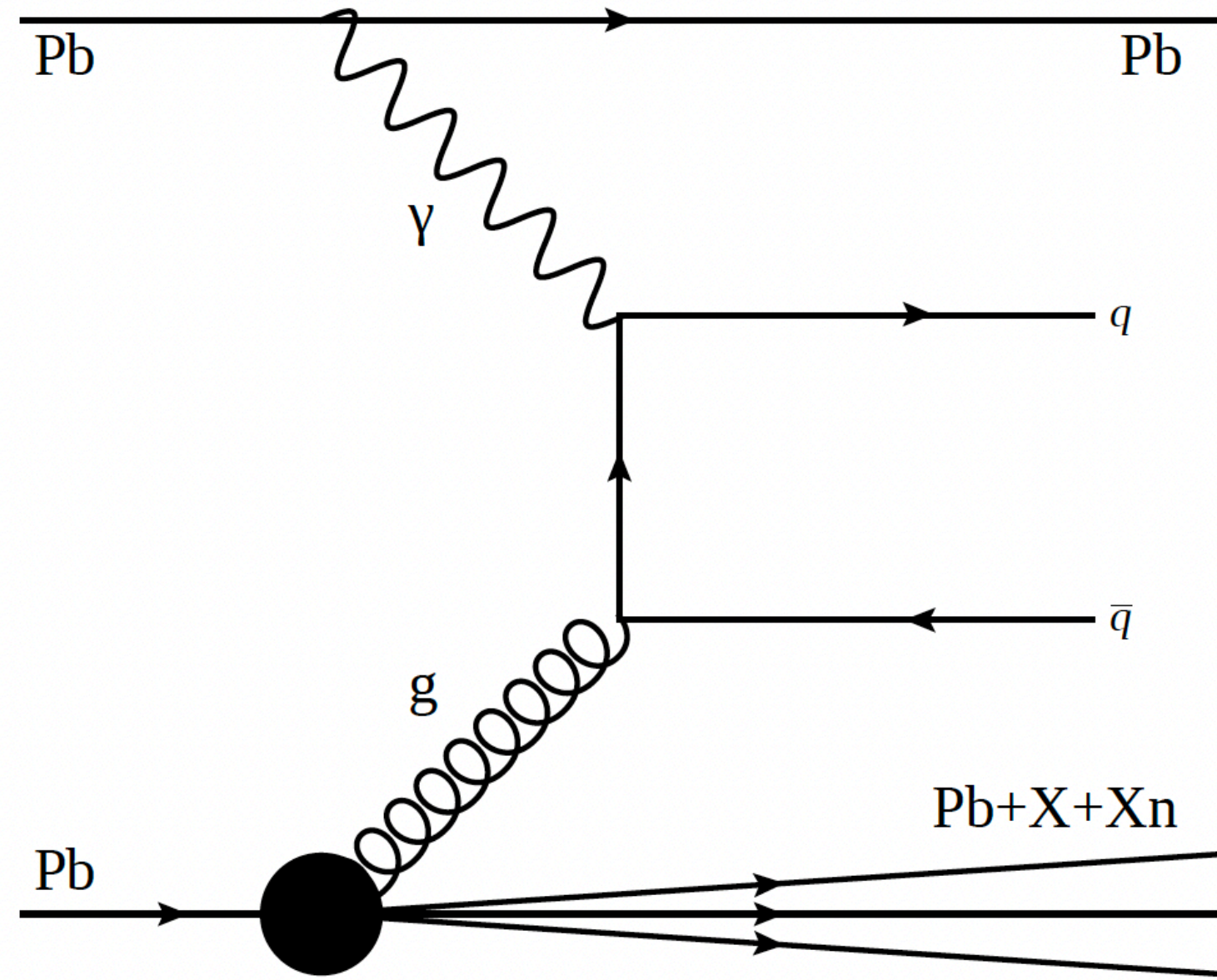
→ **Have we observed saturation?!**



Untagged di-jets in γN scatterings

Dynamic constraints on (x, Q^2)

by varying dijet kinematics

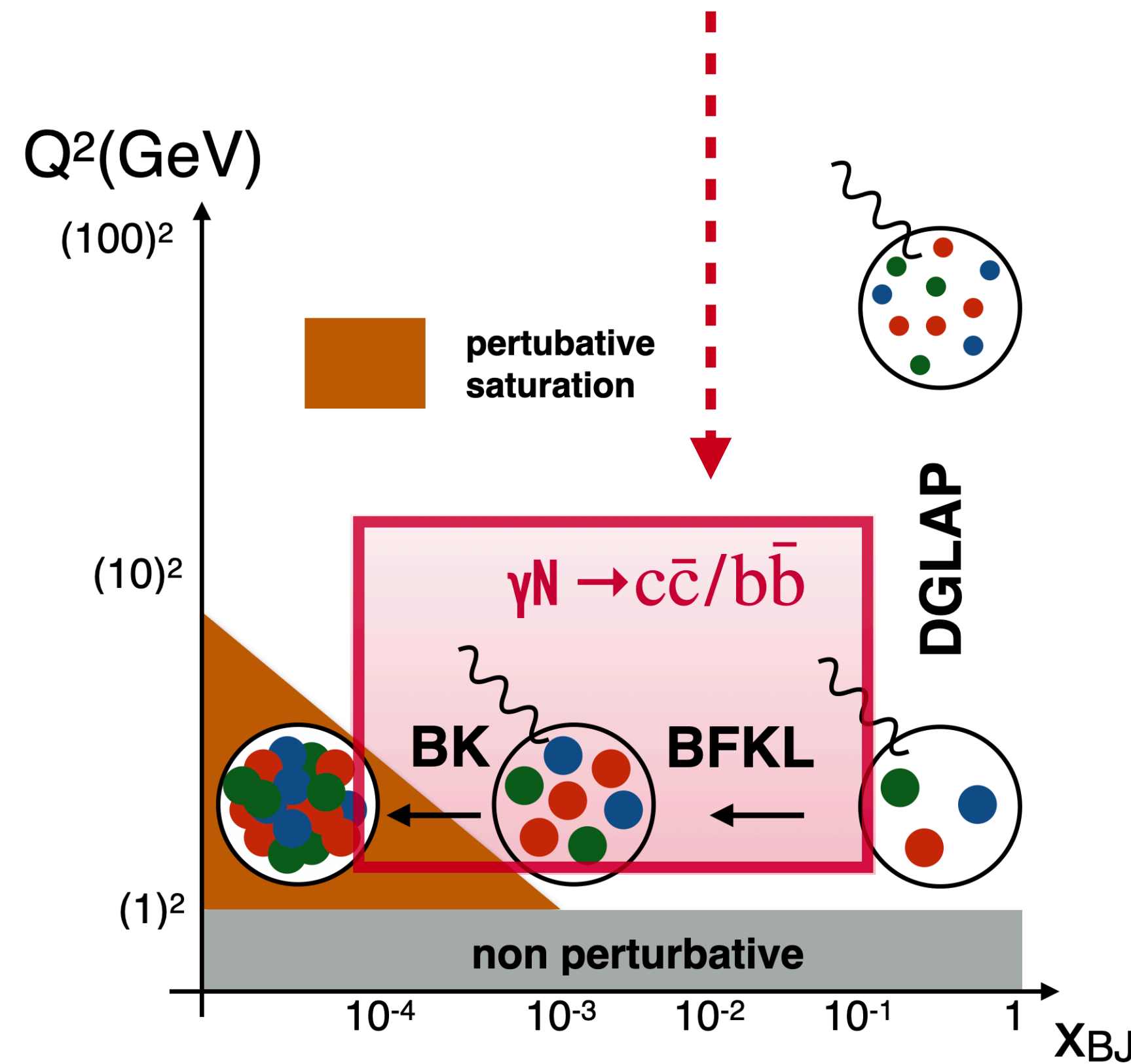
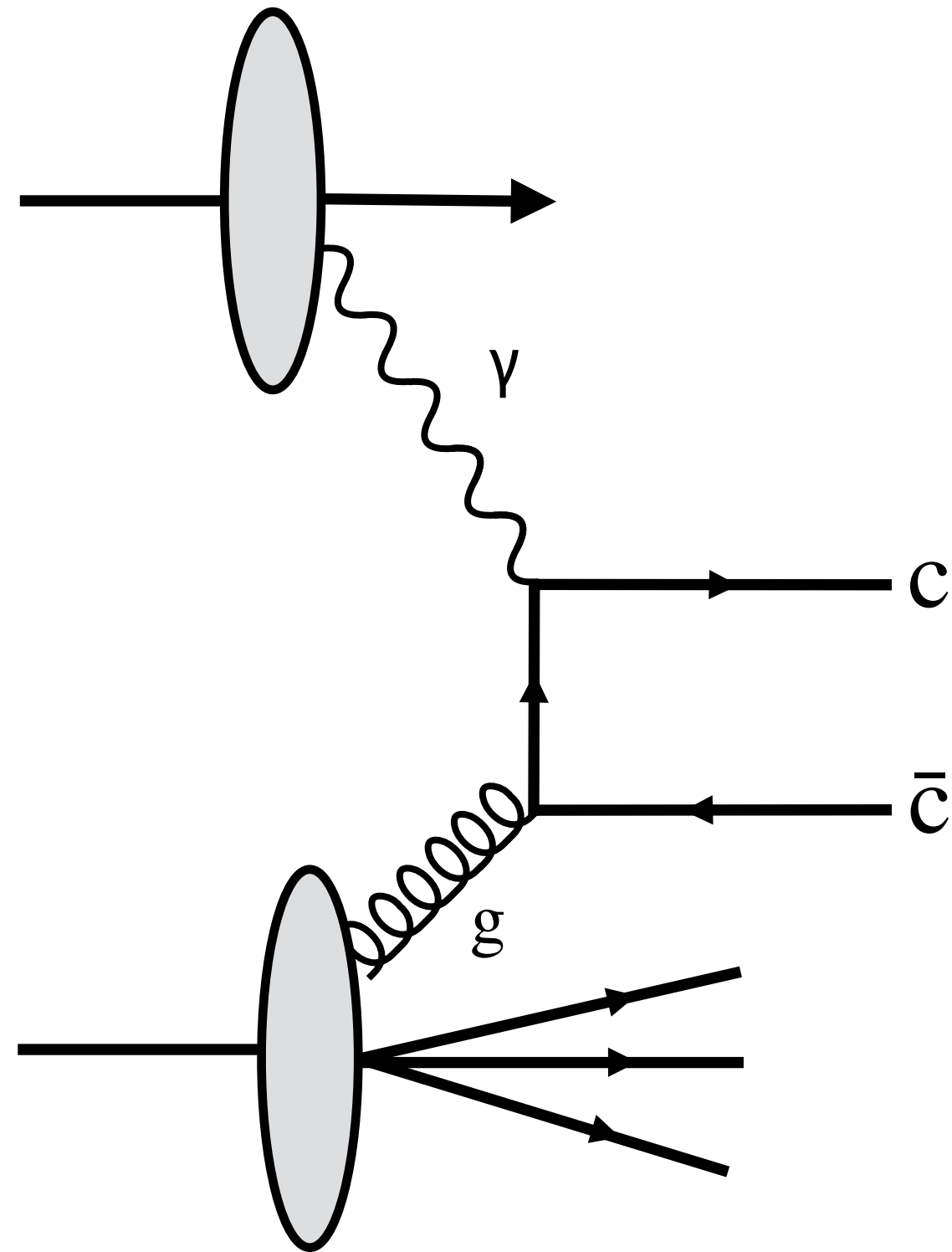


Limited access to low x and Q^2
→ jets limited to $p_T > \sim 15$ GeV/c



“Open” heavy-flavor and jet photoproduction in UPCs

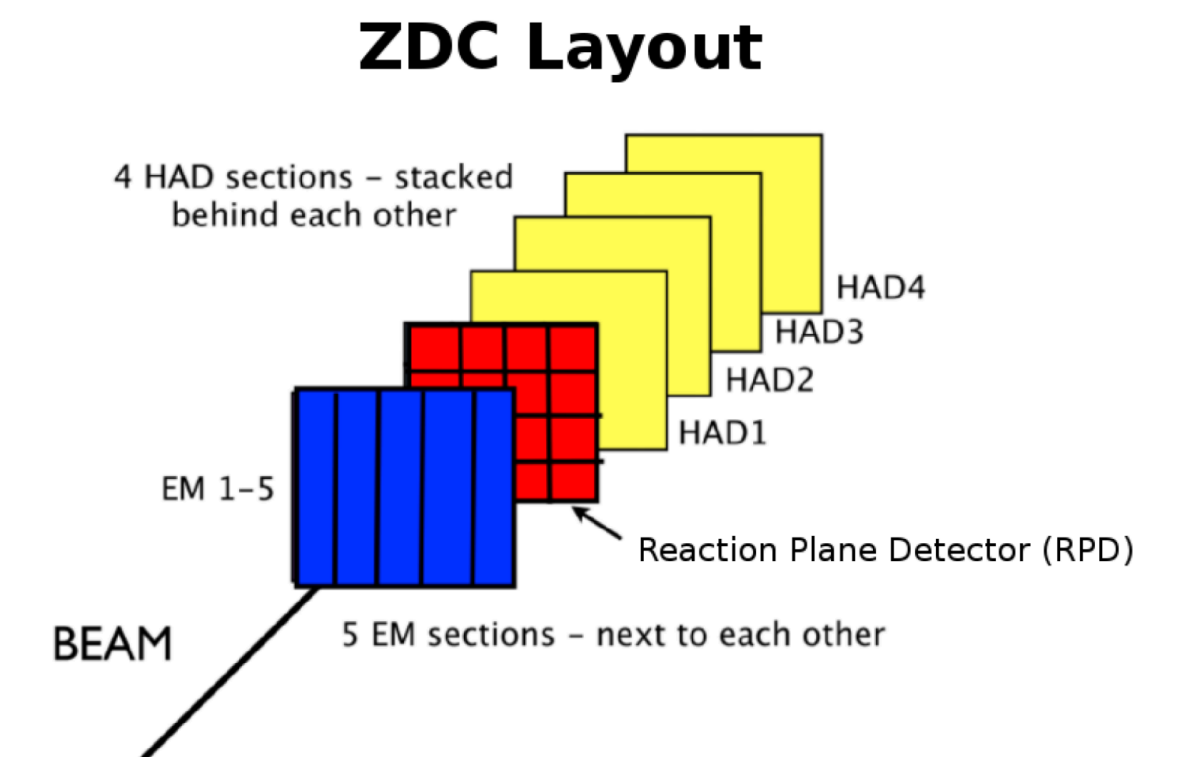
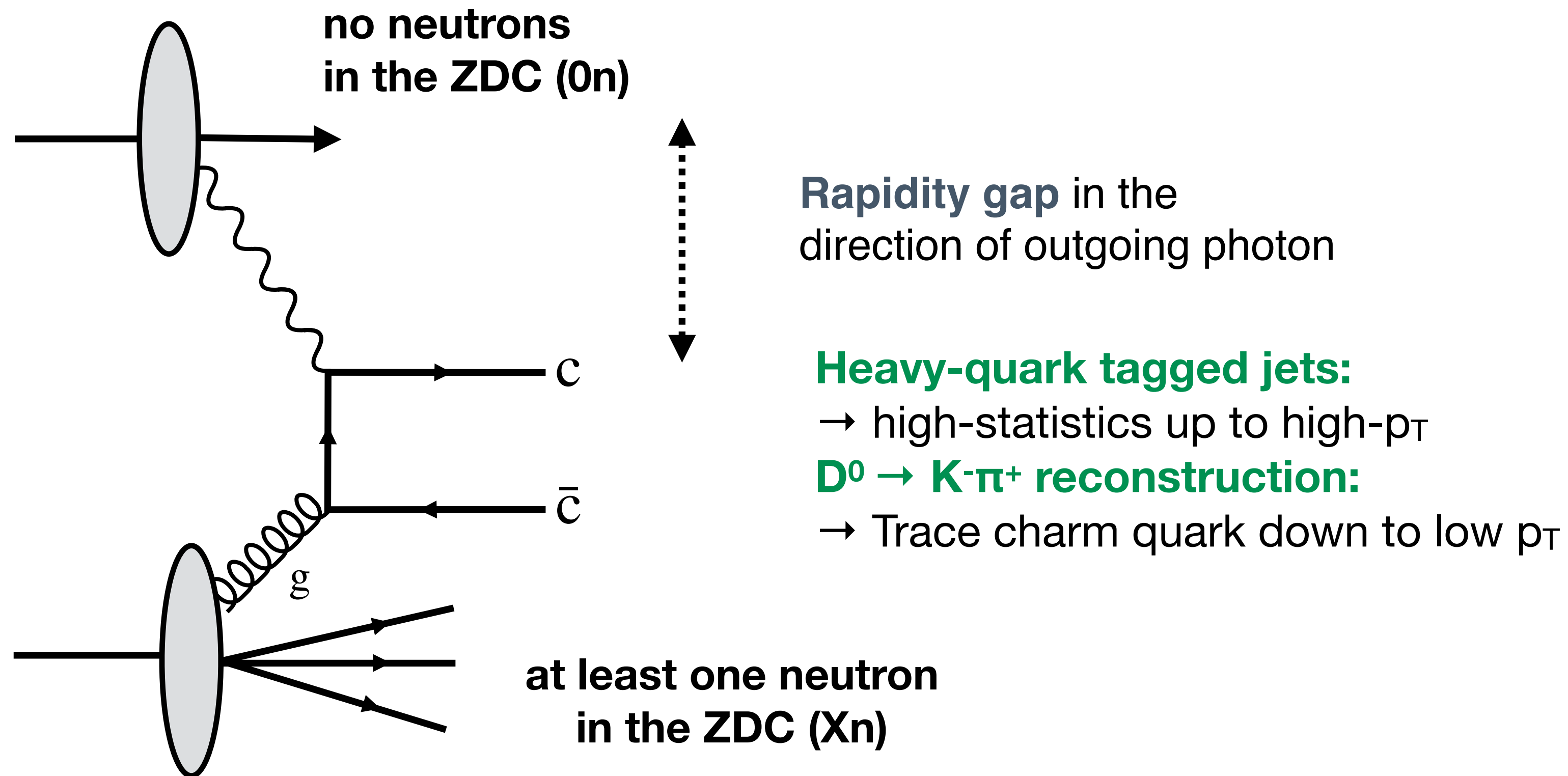
- Simple pQCD description down to $p_T=0$
 - “in-vacuum” environment with limited final-state effects
 - dynamical access to a wide region of x , Q^2 region down to low x_{BJ}
- scan the region where high-density effects should emerge



- $x_{\min} \approx 10^{-4}$ with low p_T , forward probes (LHC)
- $Q_{\min}^2 \approx m_{c\bar{c}}^2$

Experimental strategy for “hard” inclusive photoproduction

Event selection: $Xn0n$ events with “rapidity gap”.

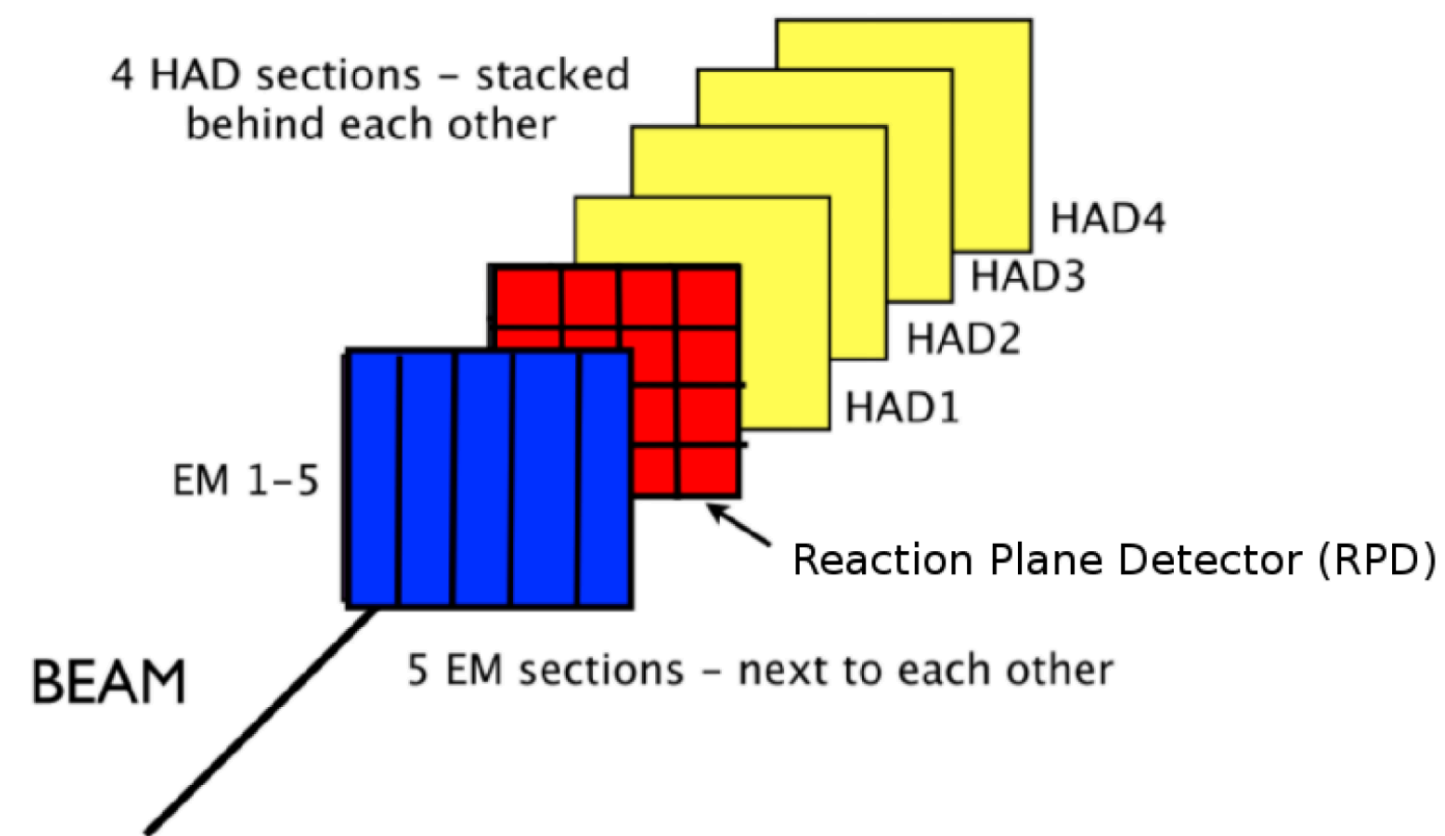


Triggering on $\gamma\gamma$, γN events as a big experimental challenge!

- Hardware trigger system (Level-1 has max accepted rate in heavy-ions about 20-30 kHz)
- Interaction rate of $\gamma\gamma$, γN in heavy-ions $\mathcal{O}(\text{MHz})!!$

Converting CMS into a $\gamma\gamma$, γN detector for the “LHyC”

ZDC Layout



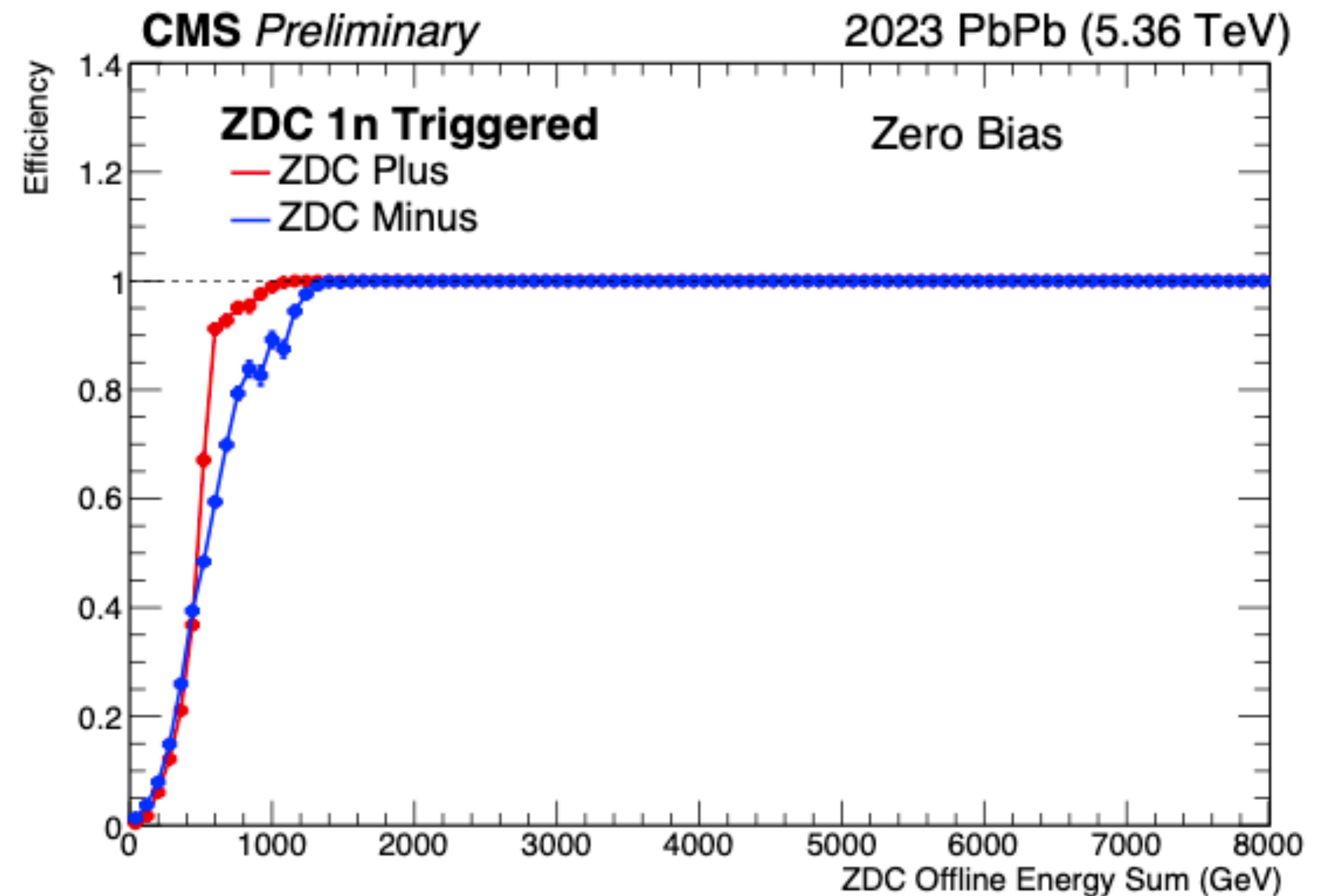
Zero-Degree Calorimeter (ZDC) as a trigger detector

- integrate ZDC in the Level-1 (hardware) trigger-emulation chain
- develop a strategy for fast online calibration

L1 trigger efficiency vs D^0 p_T (2023 data)

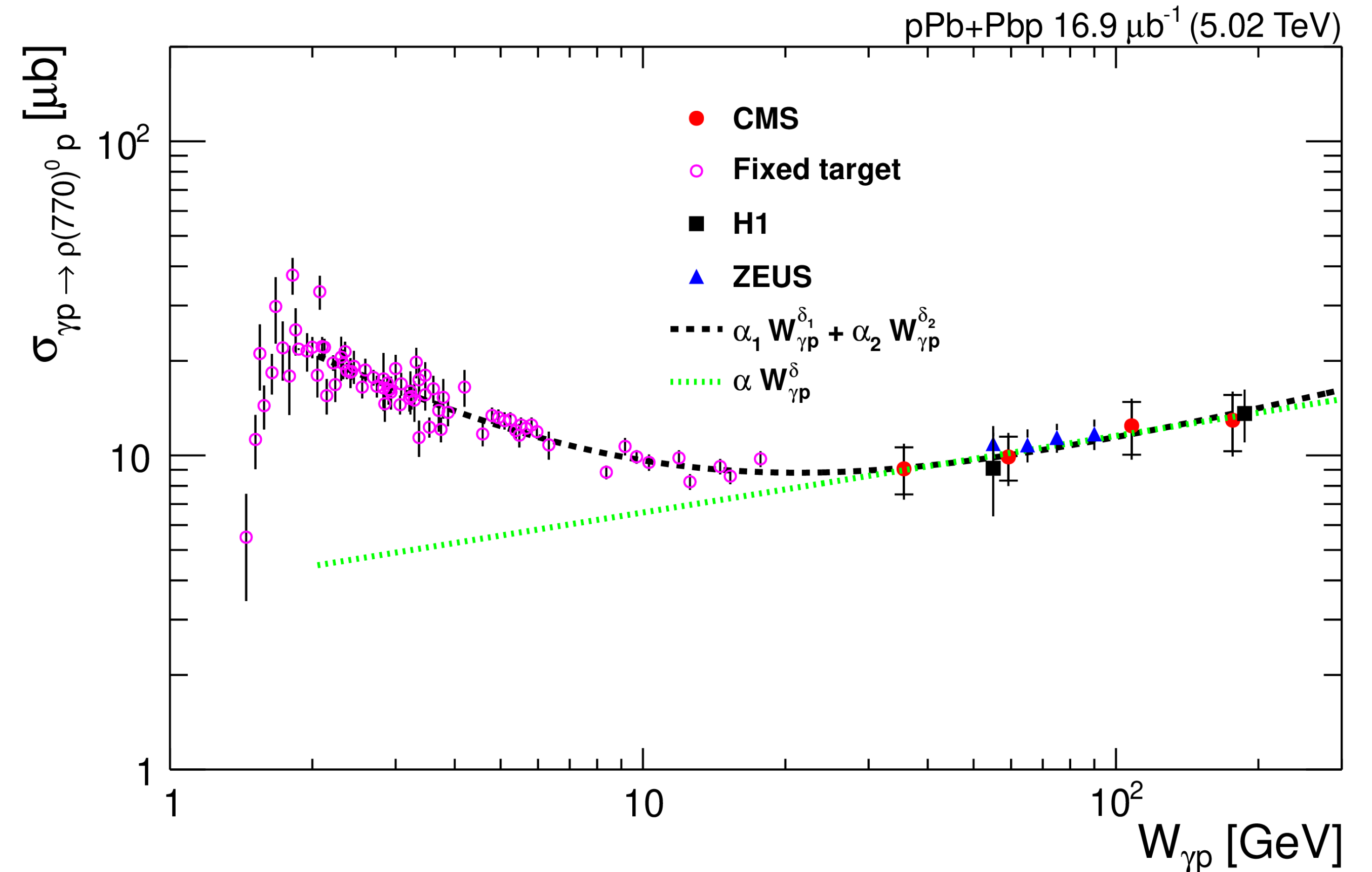
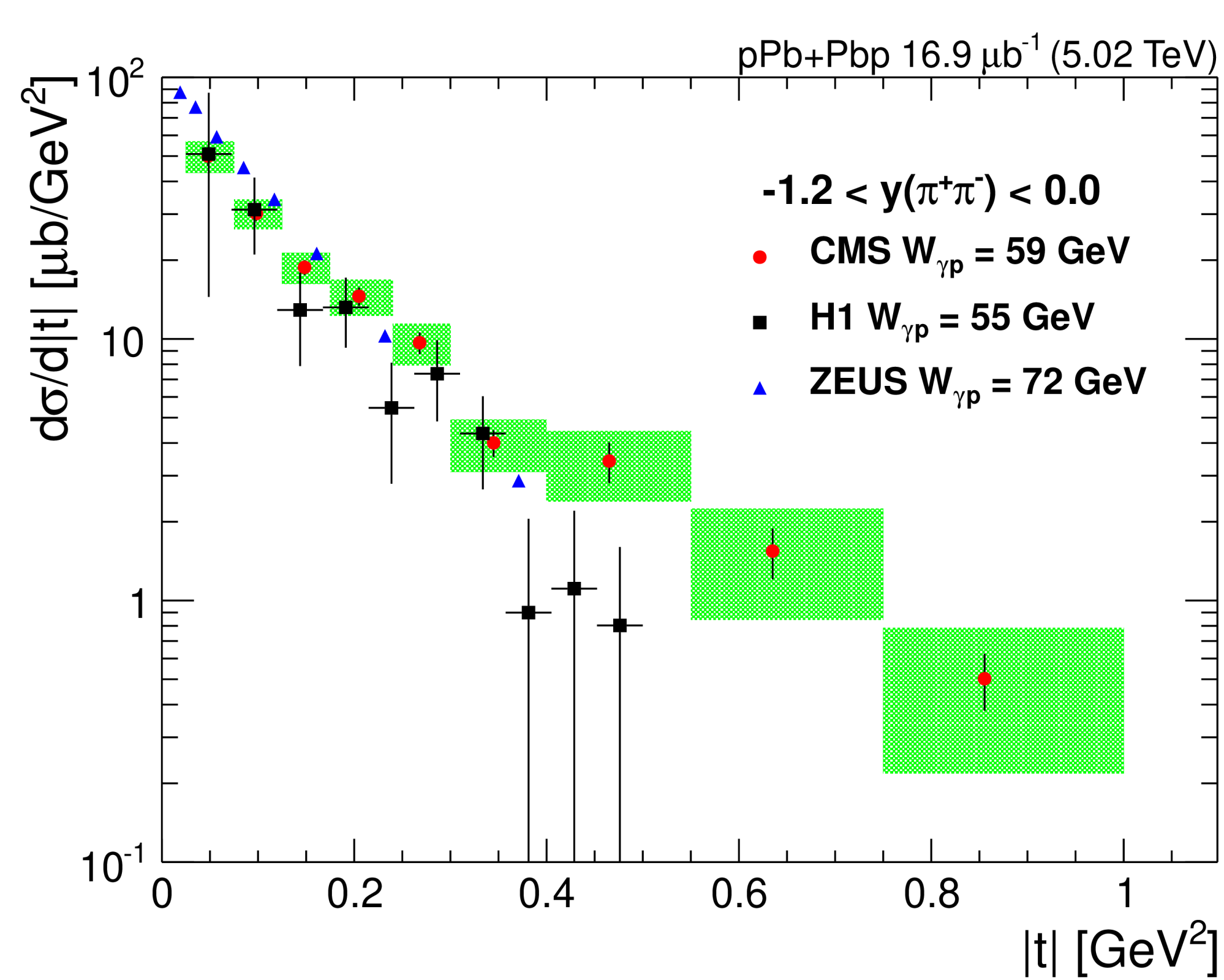
New trigger algorithms for $\gamma\gamma$ and γN “hard” events

- photonuclear high- Q^2 triggers (ZDCXOR & L1 jet)
- photonuclear low- Q^2 triggers (ZDCXOR)
- $\gamma\gamma$ and diffractive triggers



Recent UPC measurements in pPb collisions: a few highlights

$\rho_0(770)$ photoproduction in pPb UPC collisions at 5.02 TeV

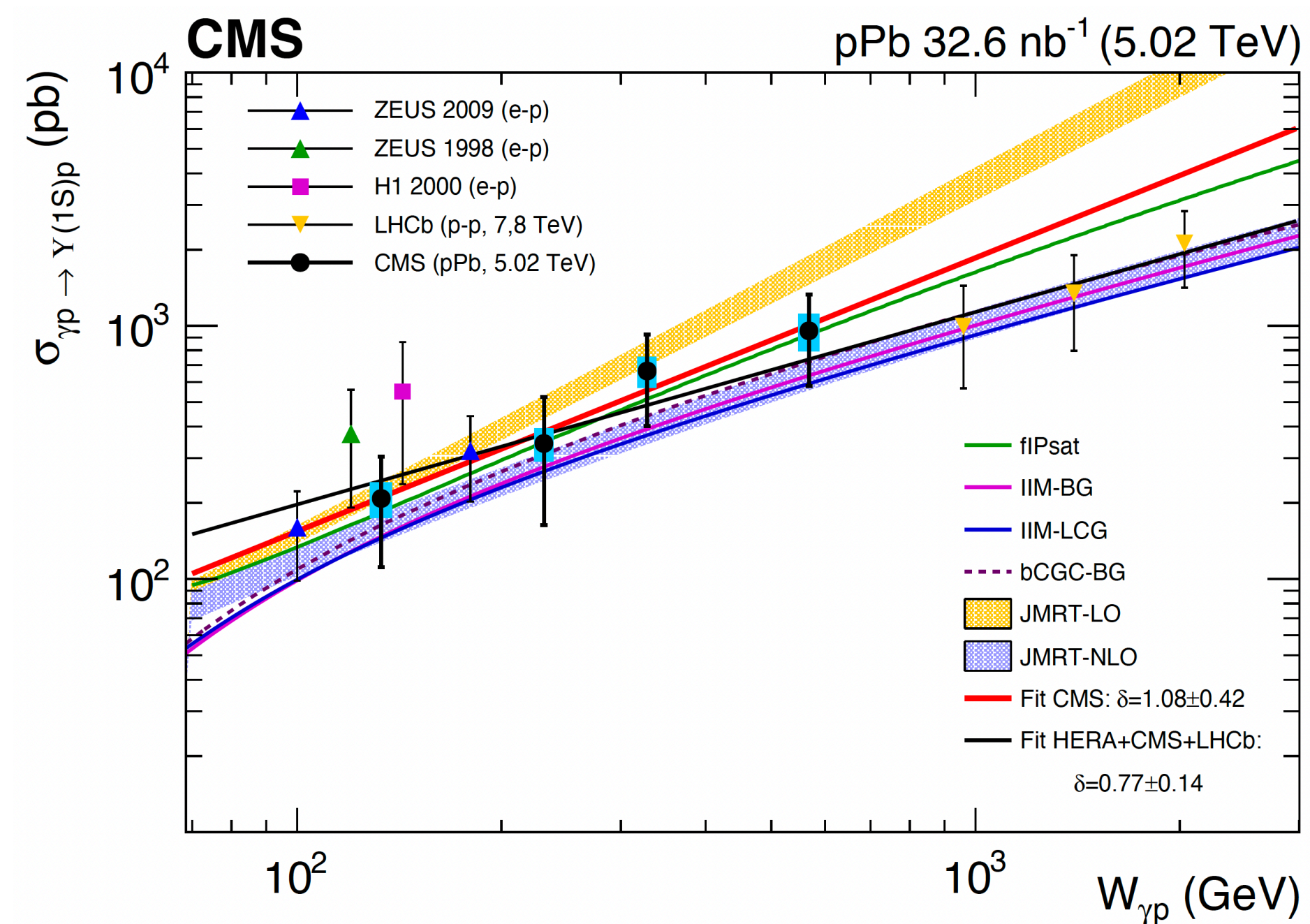
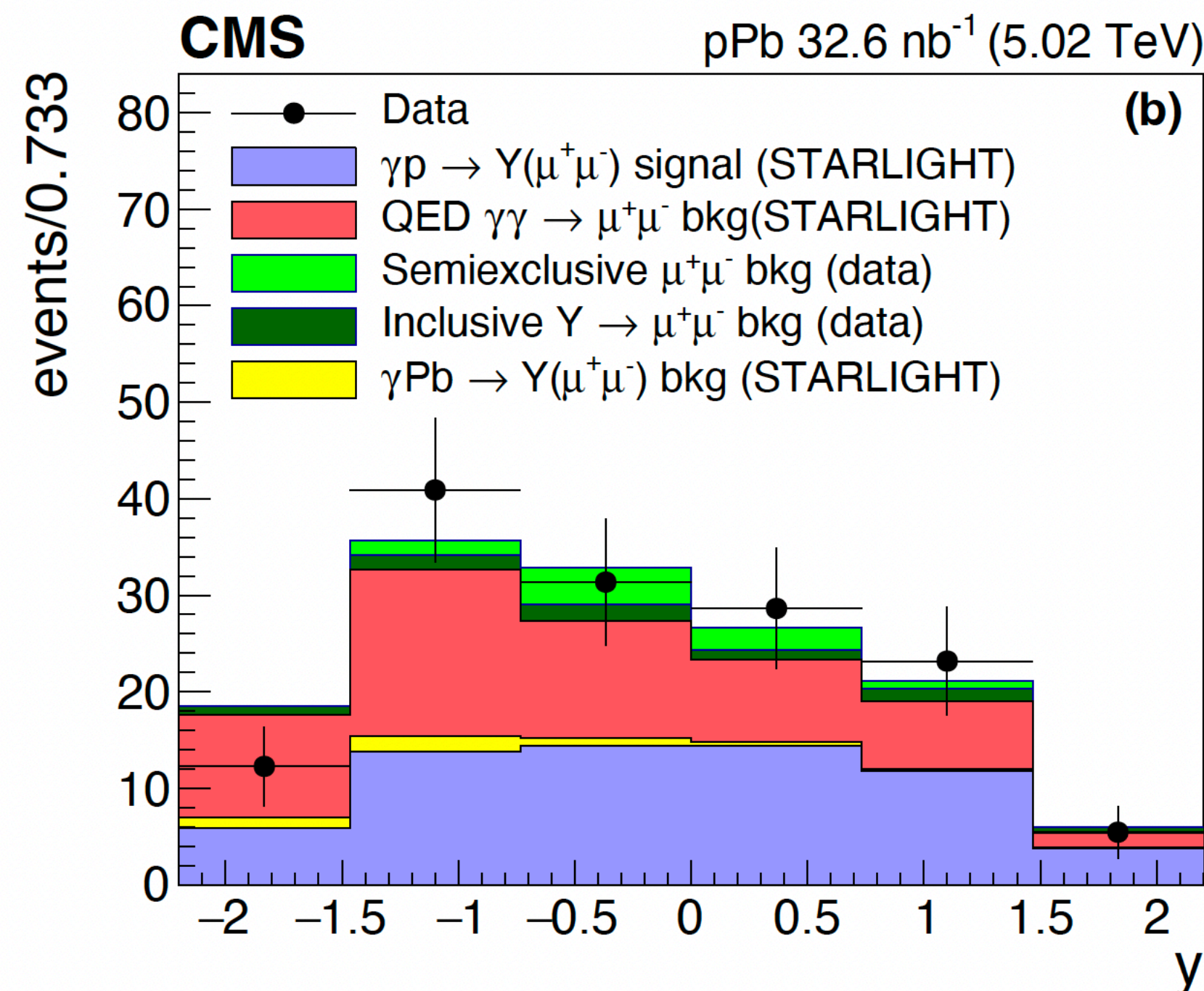
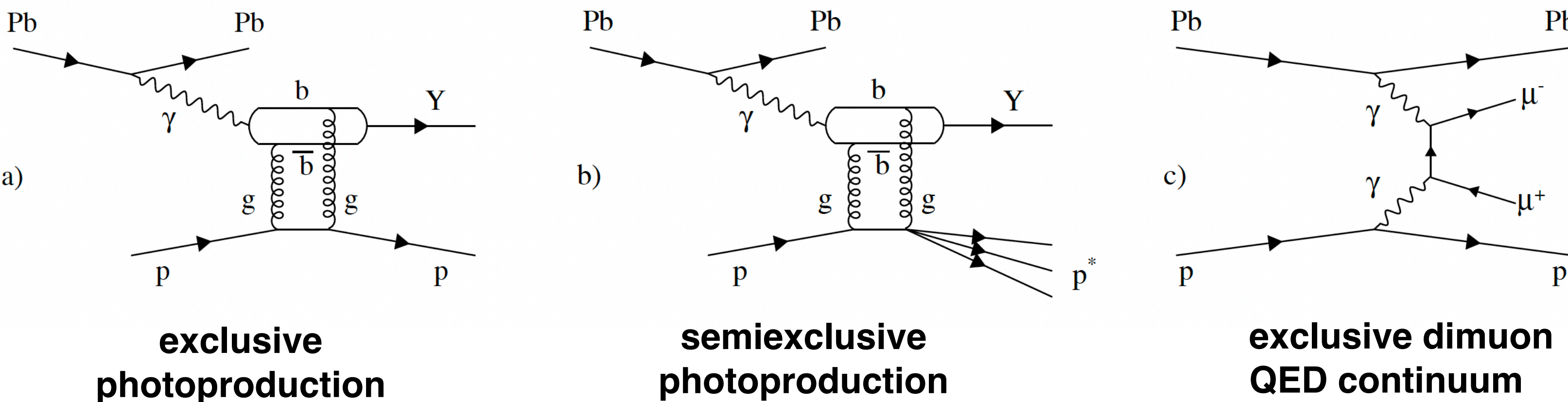


Results are consistent with those of the H1 and ZEUS Collaborations at HERA

→ **ion–proton collisions can be used in the same way as electron–proton ones, with ions acting as a source of quasi-real photons.**

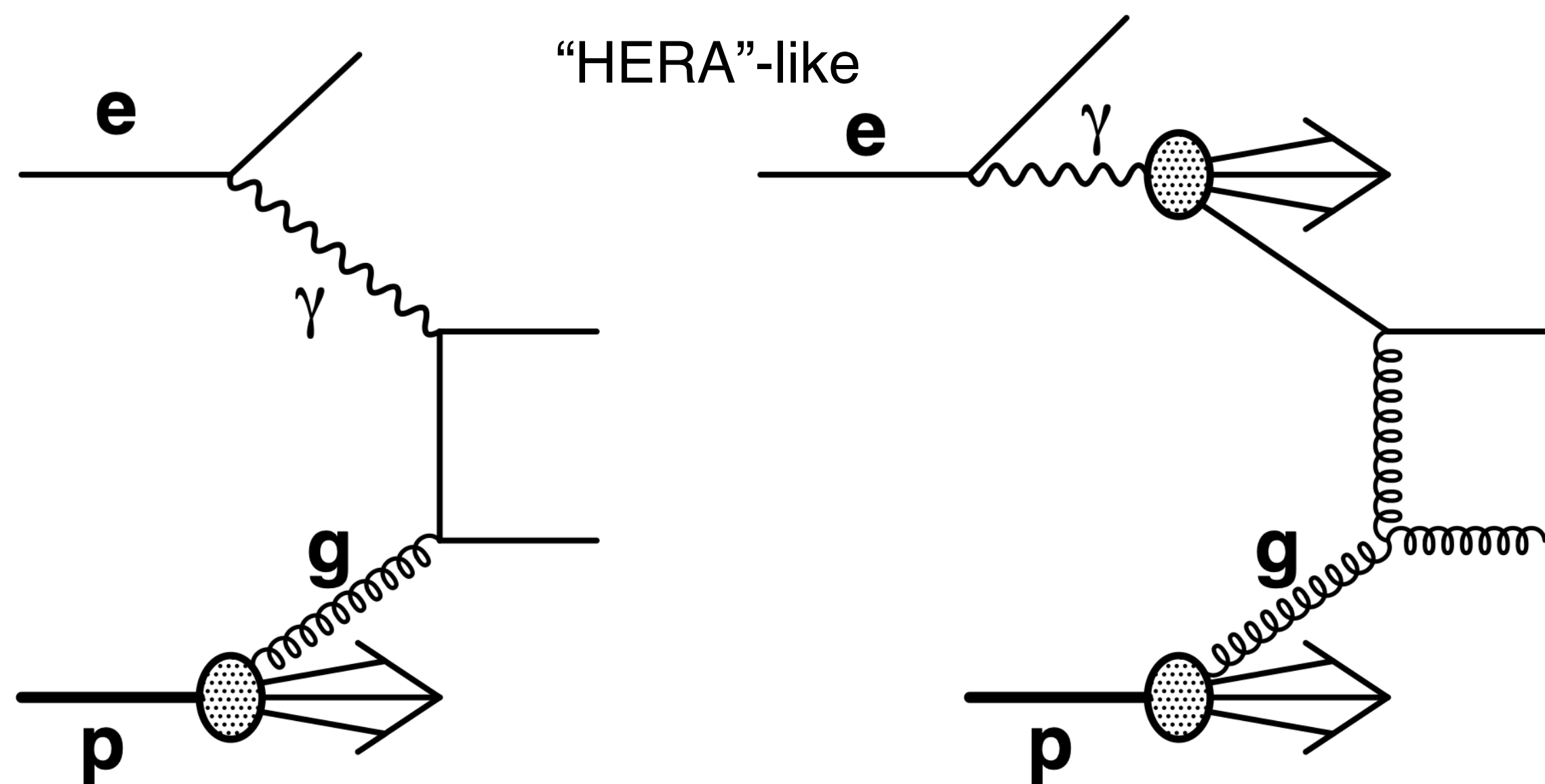
Upsilon production in exclusive photonuclear pPb events

→ sensitive to generalized parton distributions (GPDs) in the proton for $10^{-4} < x < 10^{-2}$

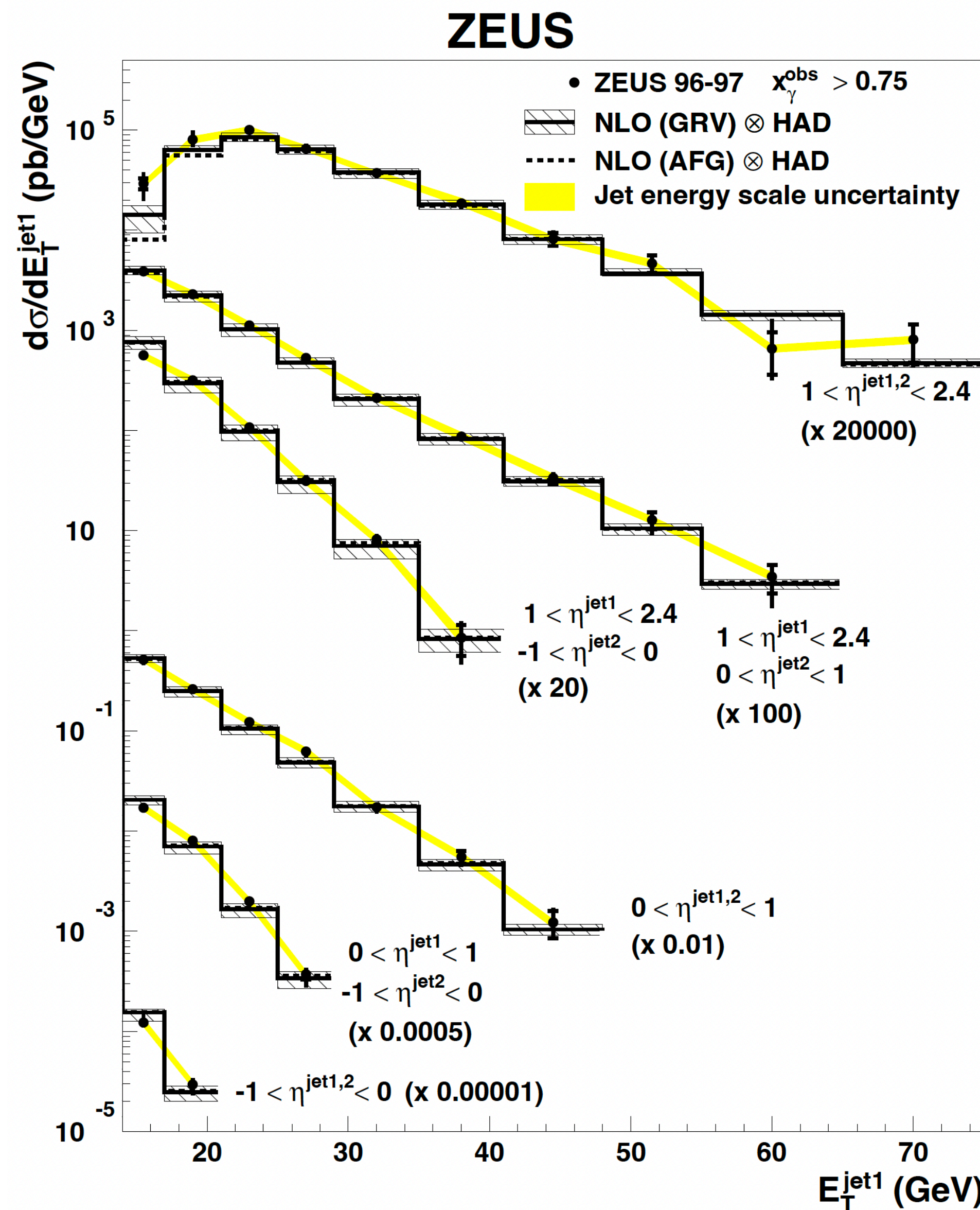


**Prospects for photon-induced
measurements in Run 3 and Run 4:
some highlights**

Jets and open heavy-quarks in photonuclear γp scatterings



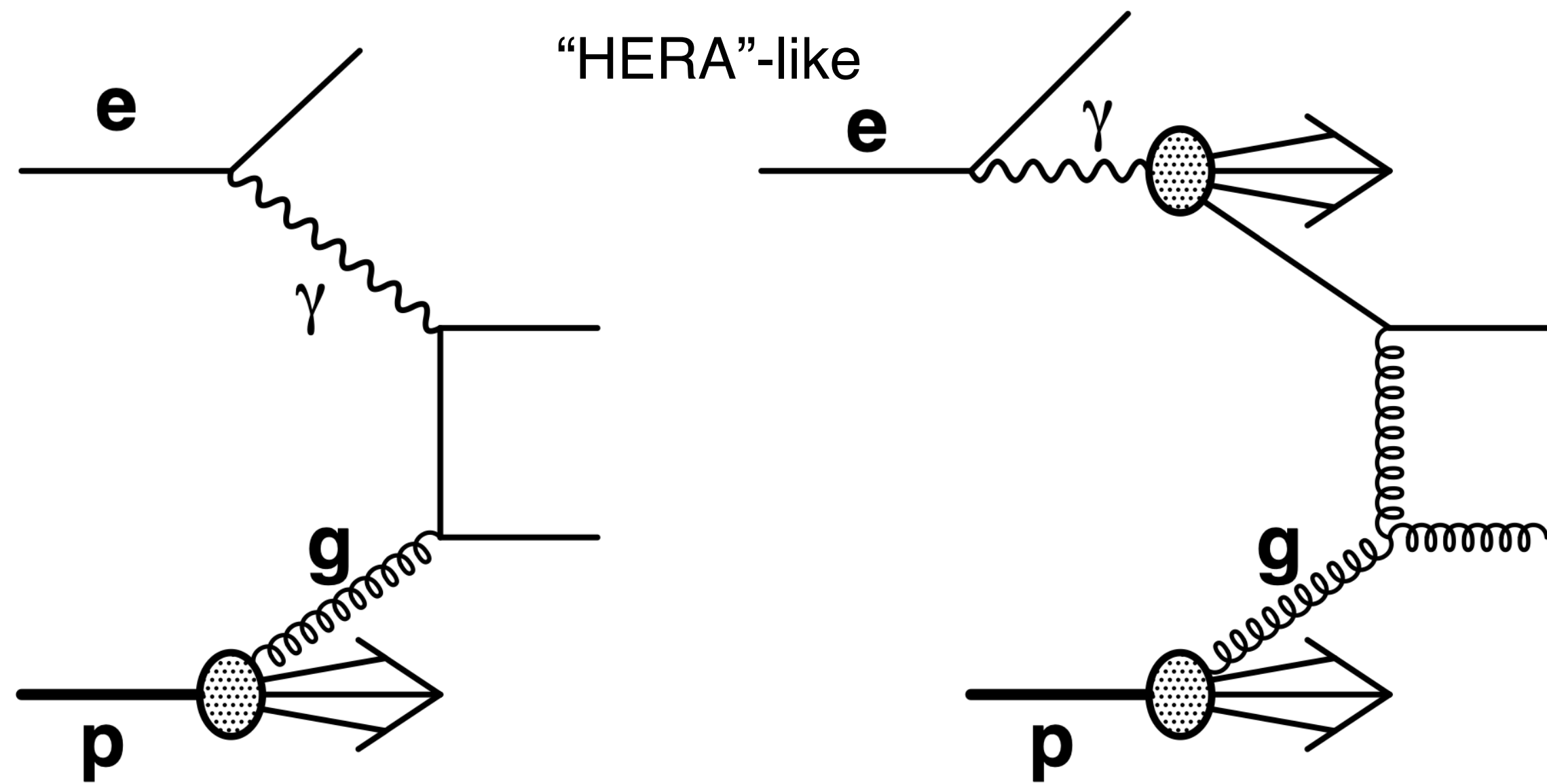
- New constraints on proton nPDFs, GDF, TMD at the highest γp center of mass energies available
- Baseline for γPb measurements (searches for beyond DGLAP evolution)



ZEUS, Eur.Phys.J.C23:615–631,2002

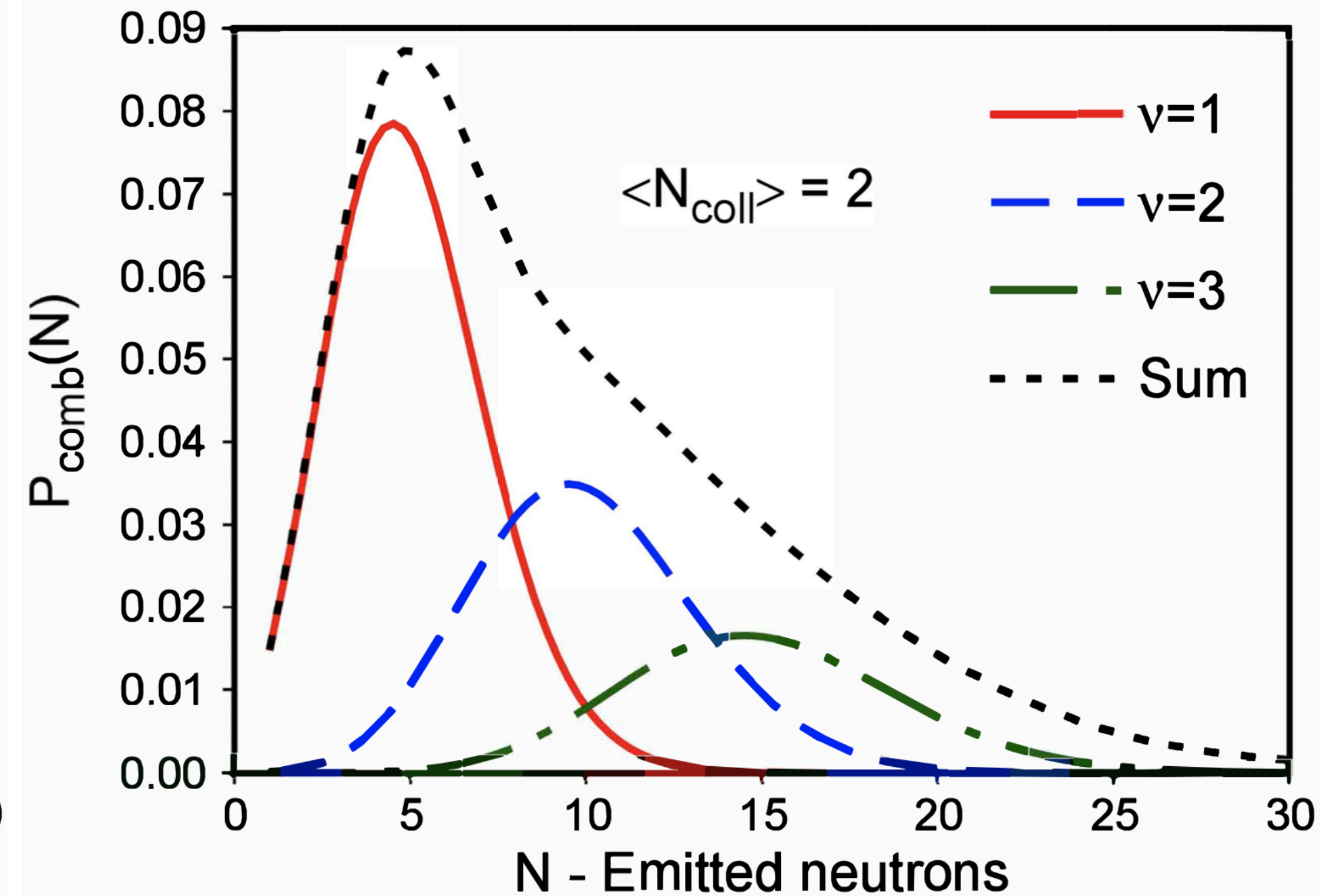
Dijet photoproduction at HERA and the structure of the photon

Jets and open heavy-quarks in photonuclear $\gamma p/\gamma Pb$ scatterings



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See Mark Strikman's talk and paper(s)
(M. Strikman, V. GuzeyarXiv.2402.19060)

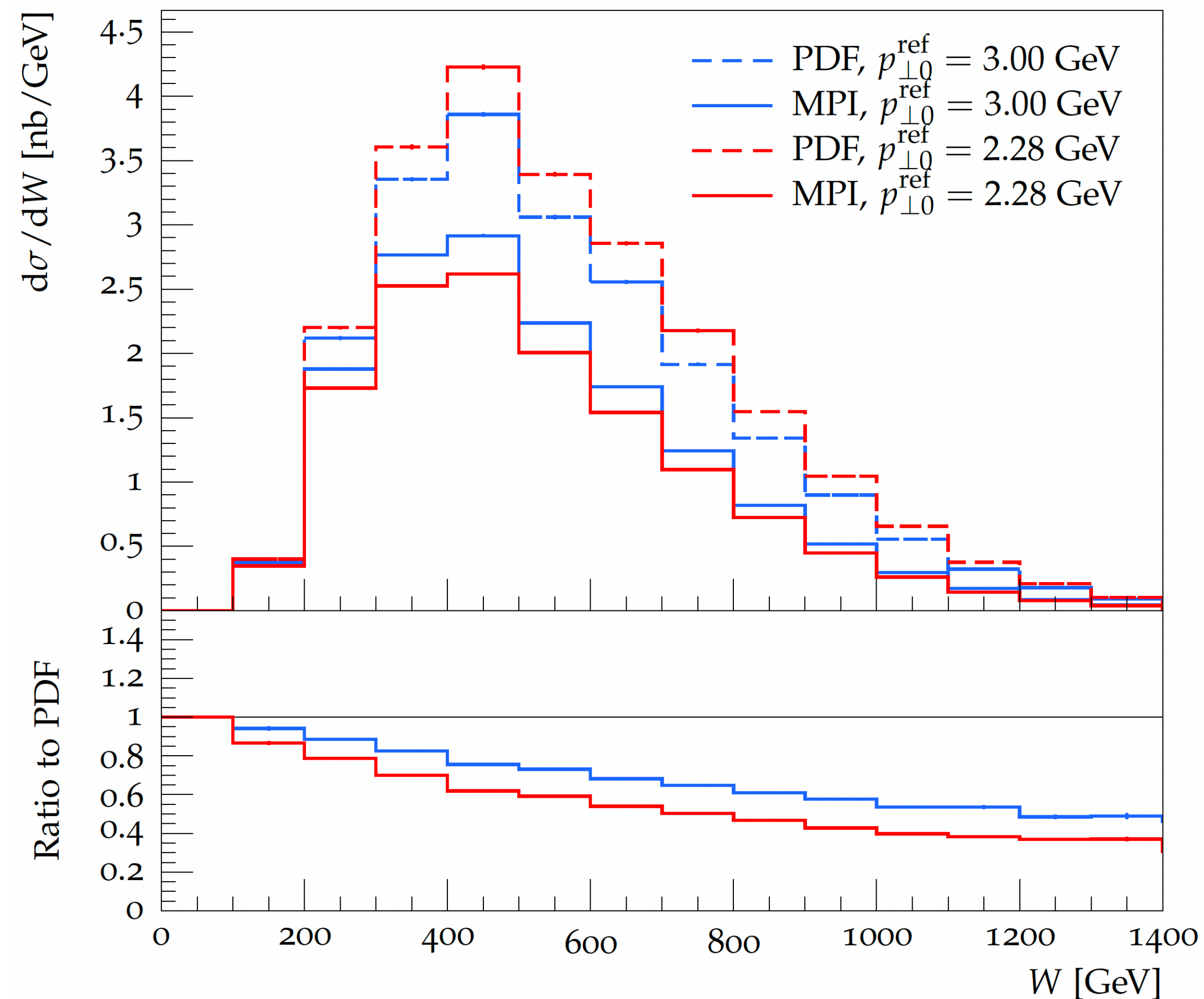
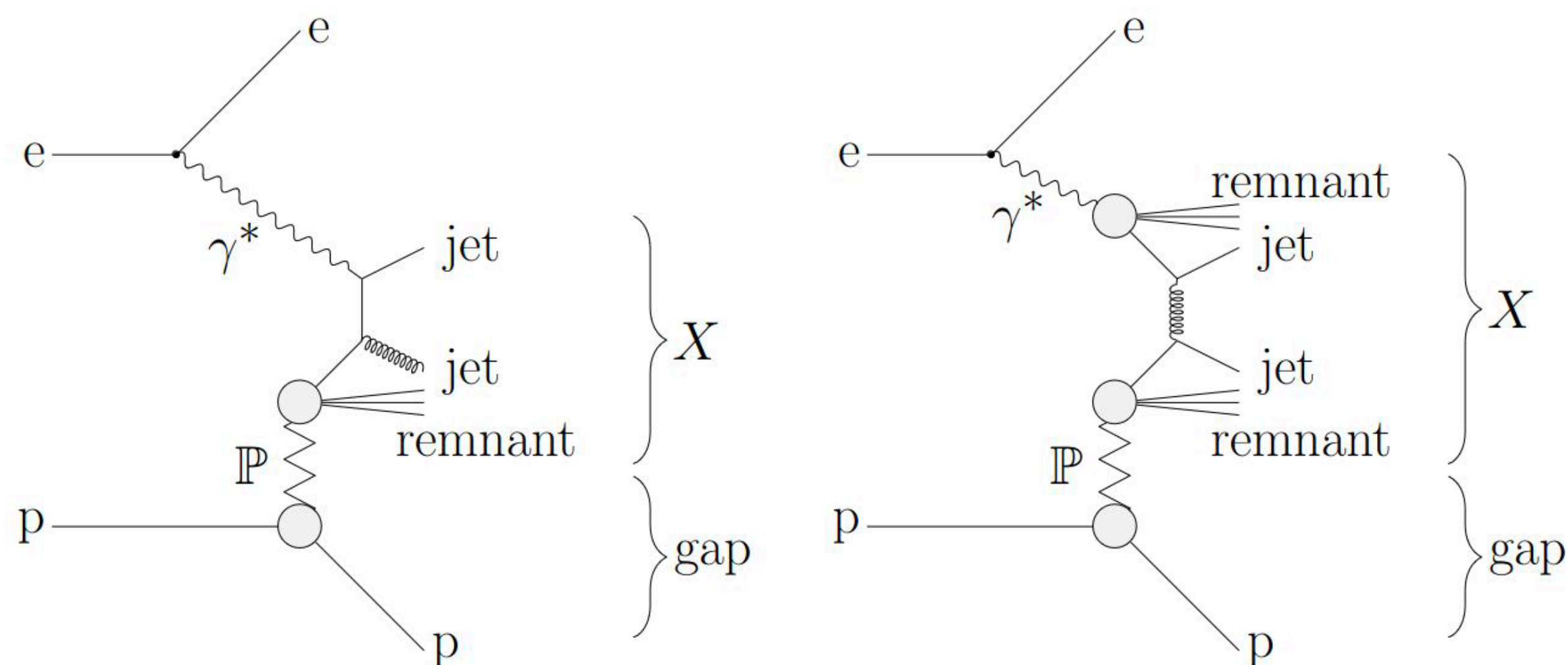


Hard-scattering production at central rapidities with information on the number of neutrons in ZDC:
 → stronger discrimination power on low- x nuclear matter
 → **new experimental challenges for ZDC reconstruction and calibration**

Diffractive production of jets and heavy quarks

Ilkka Helenius, [arXiv:2107.07389](https://arxiv.org/abs/2107.07389)

C. Marquet, C. Rayon et al. [arXiv.1306.4901](https://arxiv.org/abs/1306.4901)



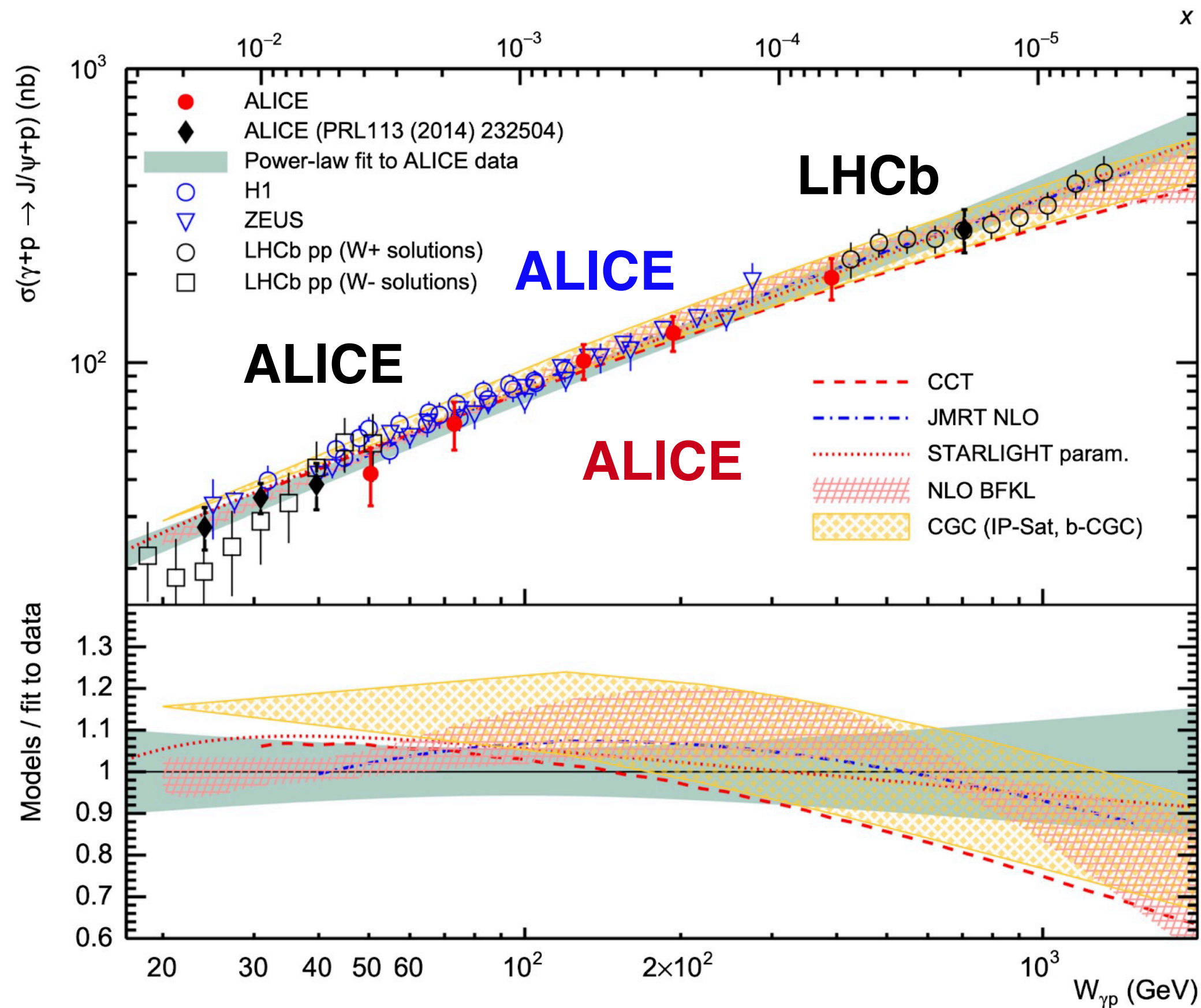
→ **test for factorization**: diffractive PDFs \otimes partonic coefficient functions

- LHC vs HERA
- hadronic vs photoproduction
- direct vs resolved photoproduction ..

→ **benchmark for PbPb measurements**

Exclusive and inclusive quarkonium photoproduction

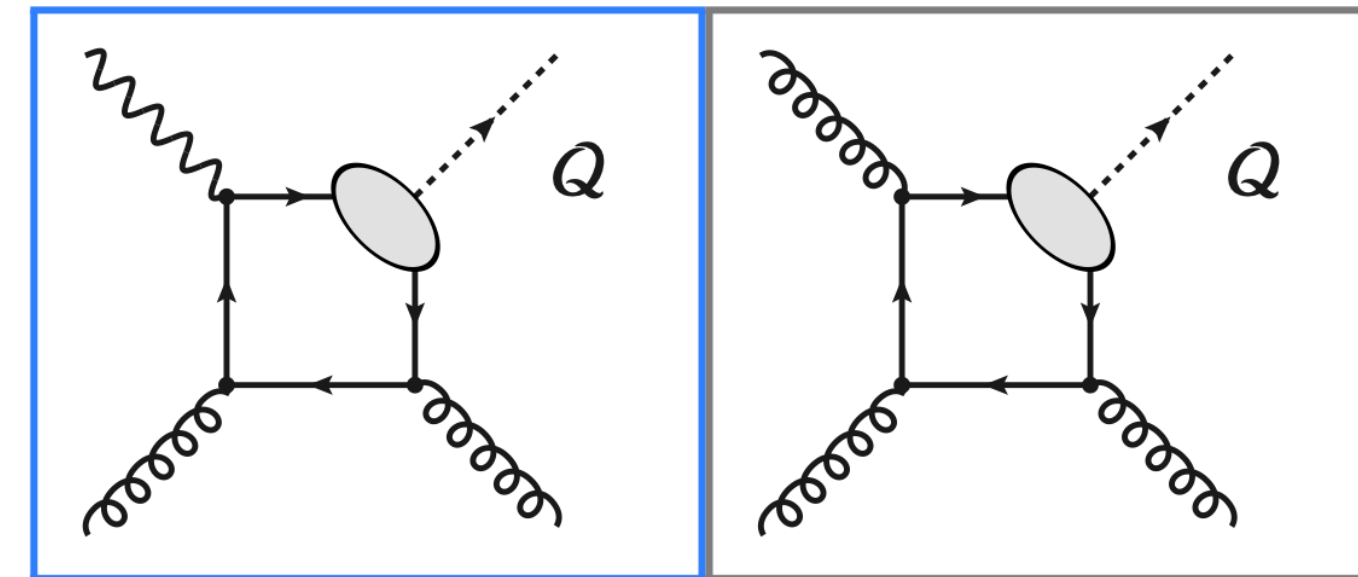
$\gamma+p \rightarrow J/\psi$ p collisions:



$$W_{\gamma p} = 2\sqrt{\omega \cdot E_{\text{beam}}}$$

From Kate Lynch's talk Jean-Philippe Lansberg (IJCLab),
Charlotte Van Hulse (UAH), Ronan McNulty (UCD)

- Anticipate sizeable **photoproduction** yield
- Large hadronic background must be shown to be suppressed



Proton-lead is the ideal collision system

- No ambiguity as to the photon emitter
- Enhanced photon flux w.r.t. pp $\propto Z^2$
- Less pileup than pp

Sensitive to the proton structure at high-gluon densities
(So far, no indication of gluon saturation, even
down to $x \sim 10^{-5}$ in a free nucleon)

The upgraded CMS detector for Run 4 (Phase II)

Trigger / HLT / DAQ

- L1/HLT rate x7.5
- DAQ: 6 → 60 GB/s
- **tracking capabilities at Level-1:**
 - sample the **entire cross section of photon-induced collisions** in both pPb and PbPb events

New endcap calorimeters (HGCAL)

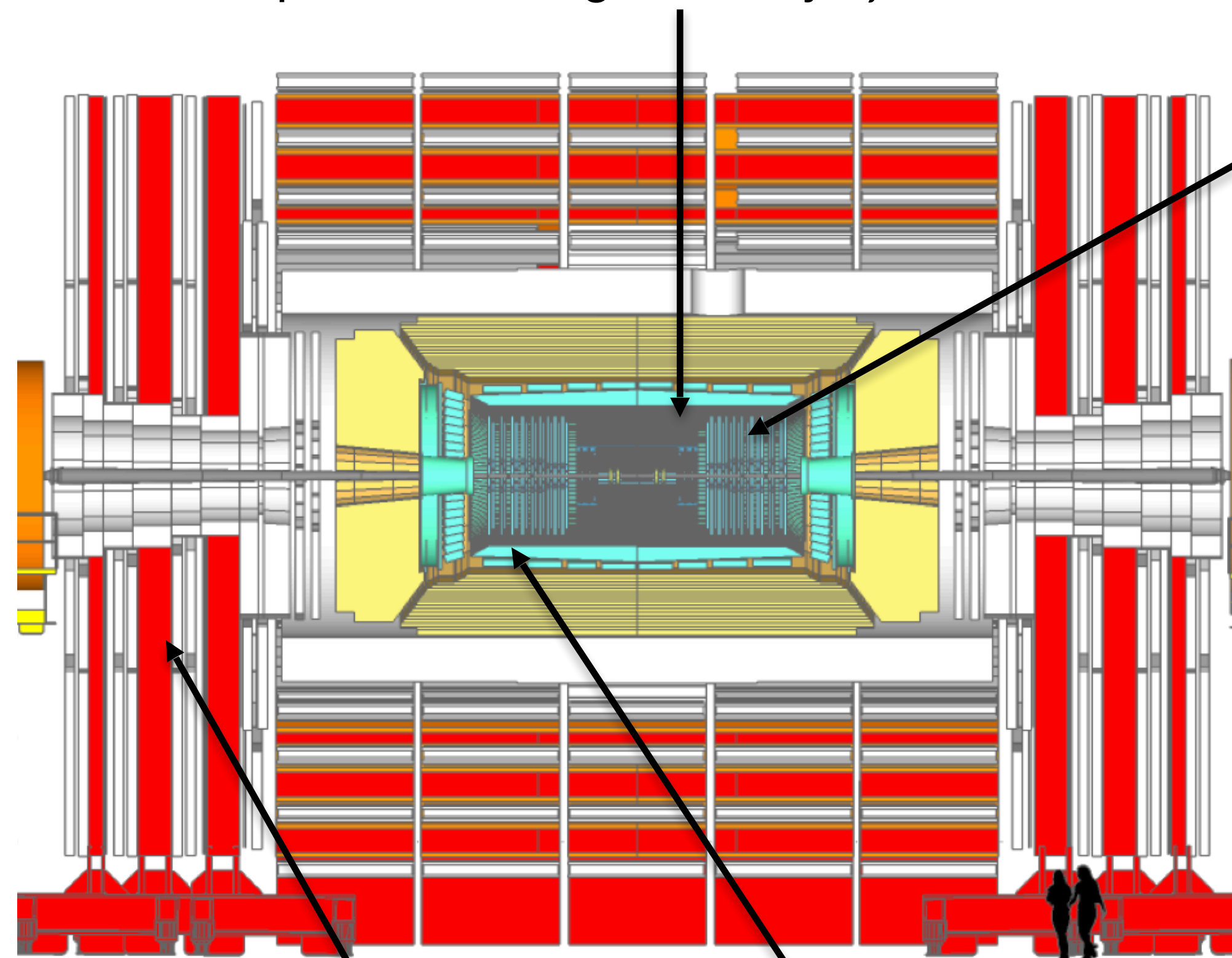
Unprecedented granularity $|\eta| < 3$

New silicon tracker

Improved granularity

Lighter material budget

$|\eta| < 2.4 \rightarrow |\eta| < 4$



Radiation-hard ZDC + PPS upgrades

ξ down to $\sim 1.5\%$

Extended muon coverage

$|\eta| < 2.4 \rightarrow |\eta| < 2.8$

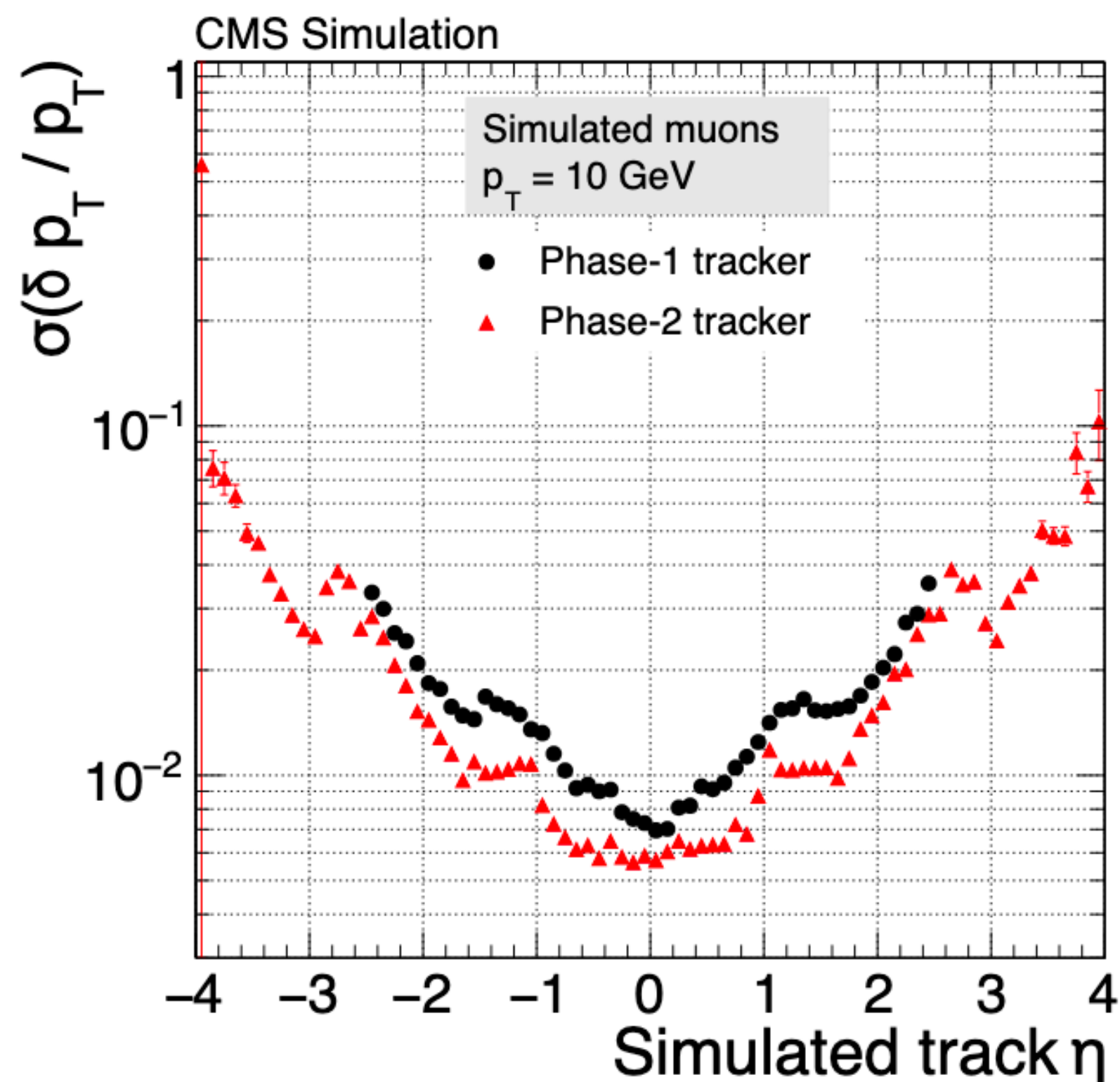
New MIP Timing Detector (MTD)

Precision timing $|\eta| < 3$

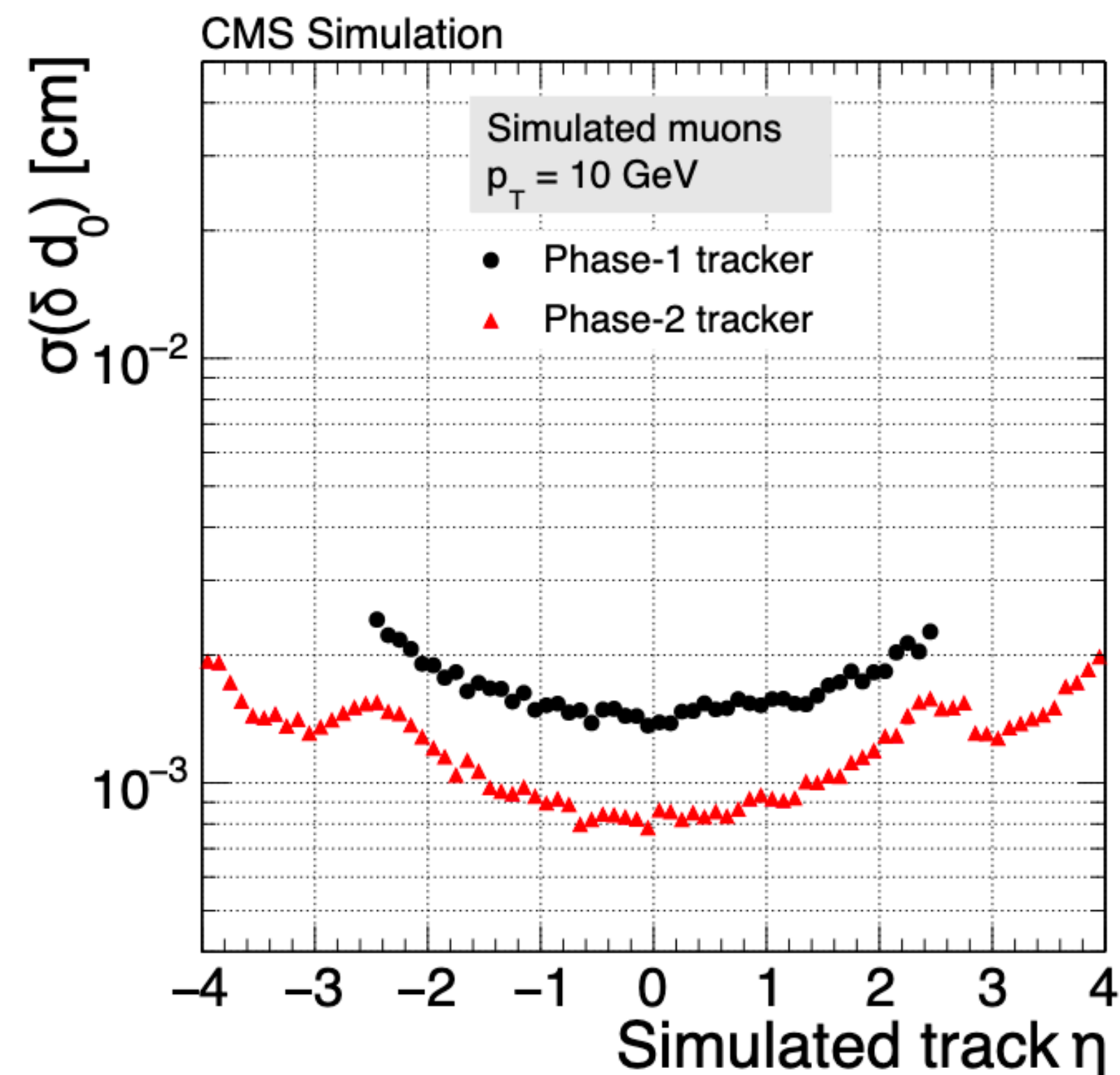
Particle Identification!

High-resolution, large acceptance silicon tracker ($|\eta| < 4$)

from 100 x 150 to 50 x 50 μm^2 pixel size
Tracking out to $|\eta| < 4$!!
Reduced material budget by up to 2x



- **Improved p_T resolution** by about 25%
- Improved mass resolution for resonances



- **Impact parameter resolution** improved by 40%
- Improved heavy flavor measurements (B/D hadrons & b/c-jet tagging)

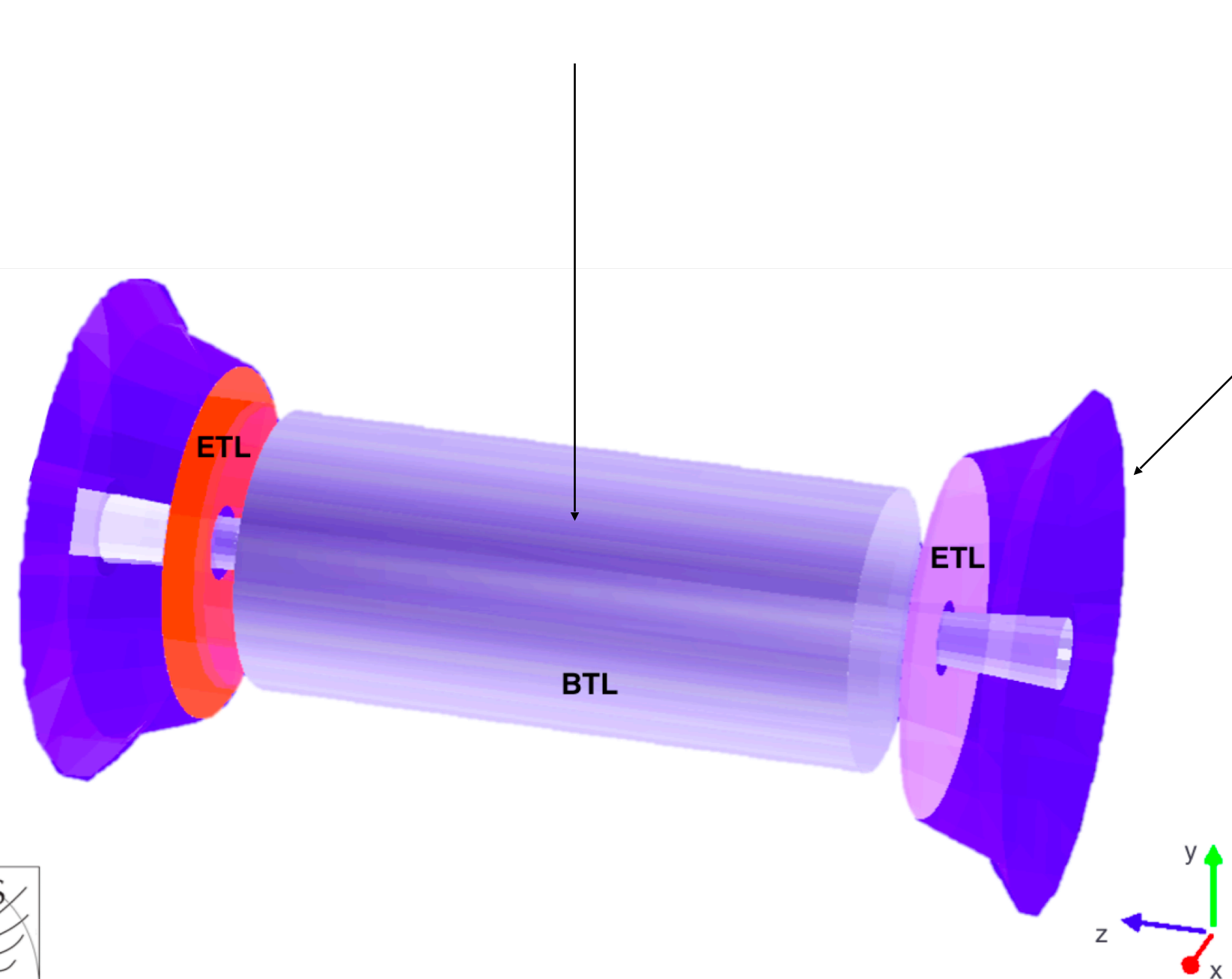
MIP timing detector (MTD)

Barrel Timing Layer (BTL)

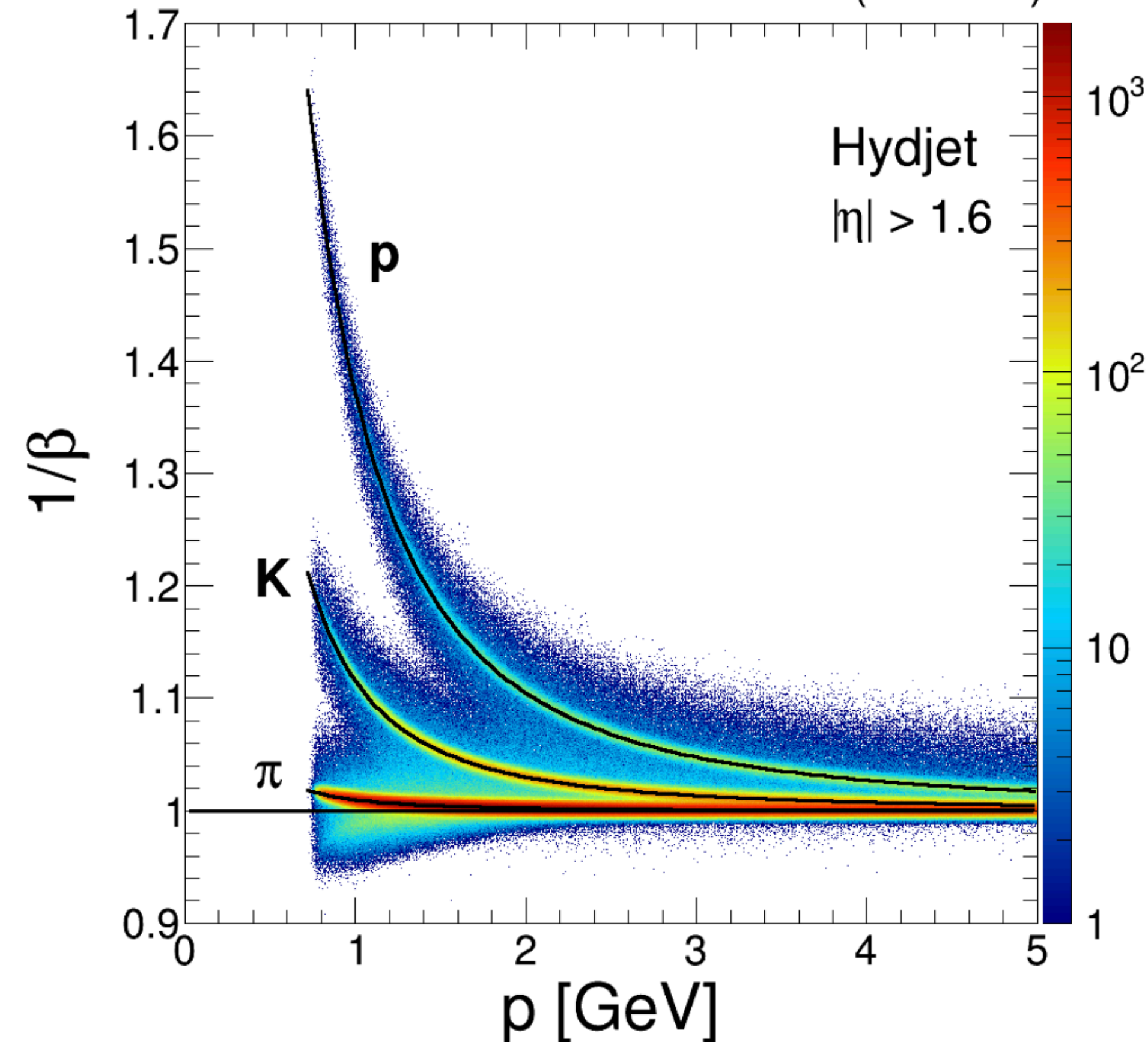
- Coverage: $|\eta| < 1.45$, $p_T > 0.7$ GeV
- Timing resolution: ~ 30 ps
- Tech: Scintillator + Si photo-multiplier

Endcap timing layer (ETL)

- Coverage: $1.6 < |\eta| < 3.0$, $p > 0.7$ GeV
- Timing resolution: $\sim 30 - 40$ ps
- Tech: Silicon w/ internal gain (LGAD)



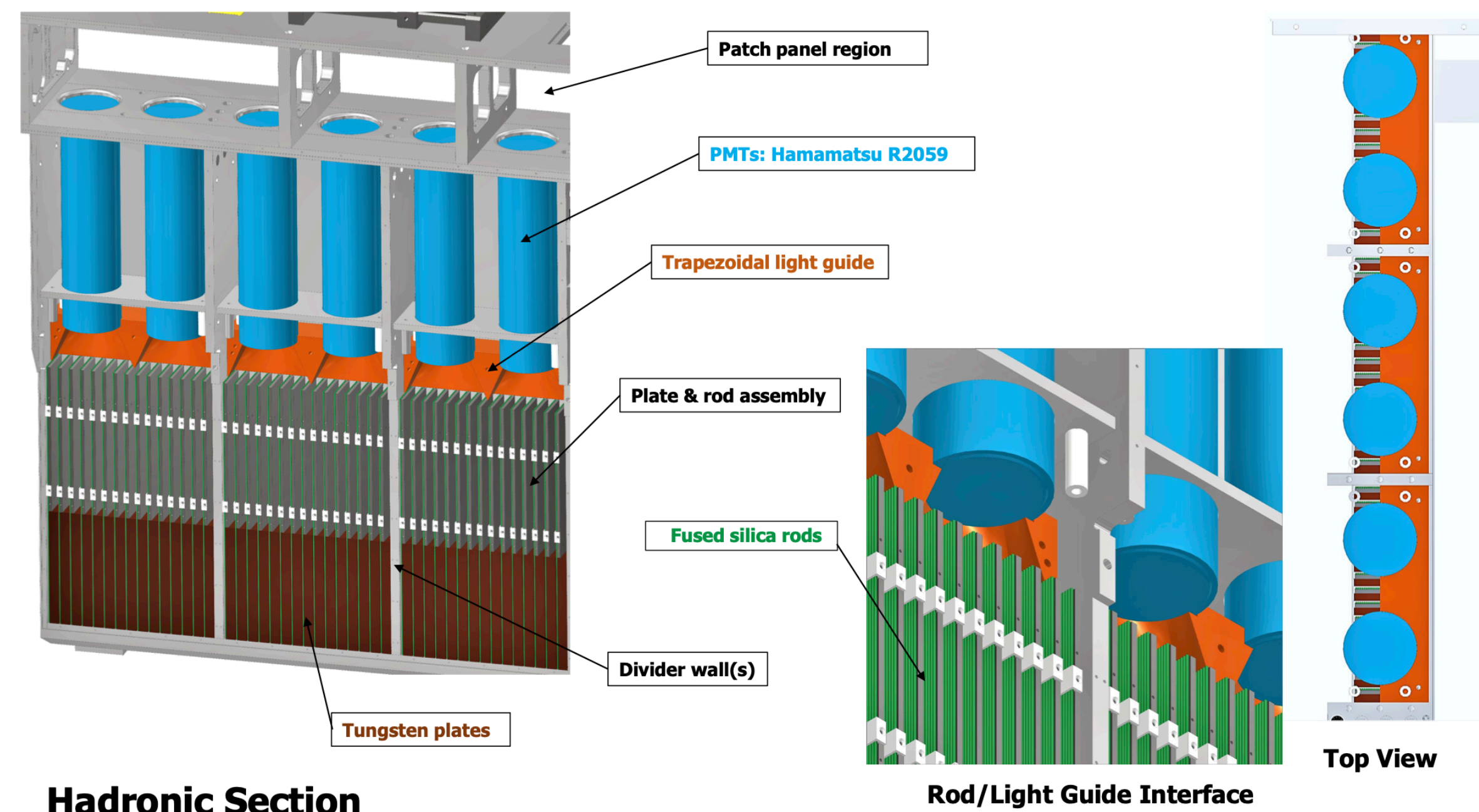
CMS Phase-2 Simulation PbPb (5.5 TeV)



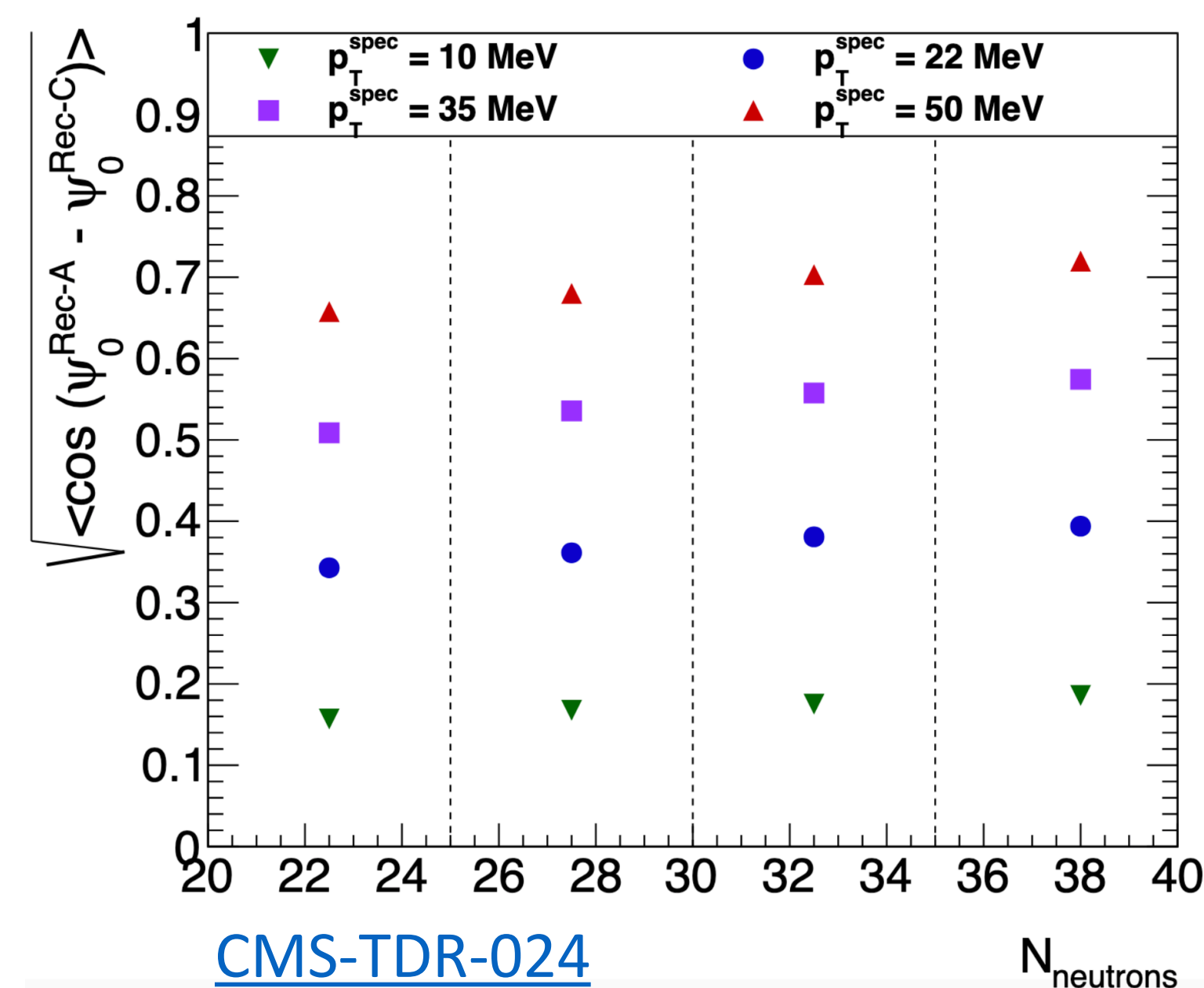
Unlock a wide set of semi-inclusive “DIS-like” measurements with identified hadrons with CMS

A new ZDC CMS detector

- **Joint ATLAS & CMS effort: radiation-hard ZDCs for Run 4**
- Crucial part of heavy-ion min. bias trigger from Run 3 onwards
 - Used to identify & characterize ultra-peripheral collisions
 - Bias estimation for centrality, especially in small systems
 - Exclusively HI detector (removed for high-lumi pp)



Hadronic Section



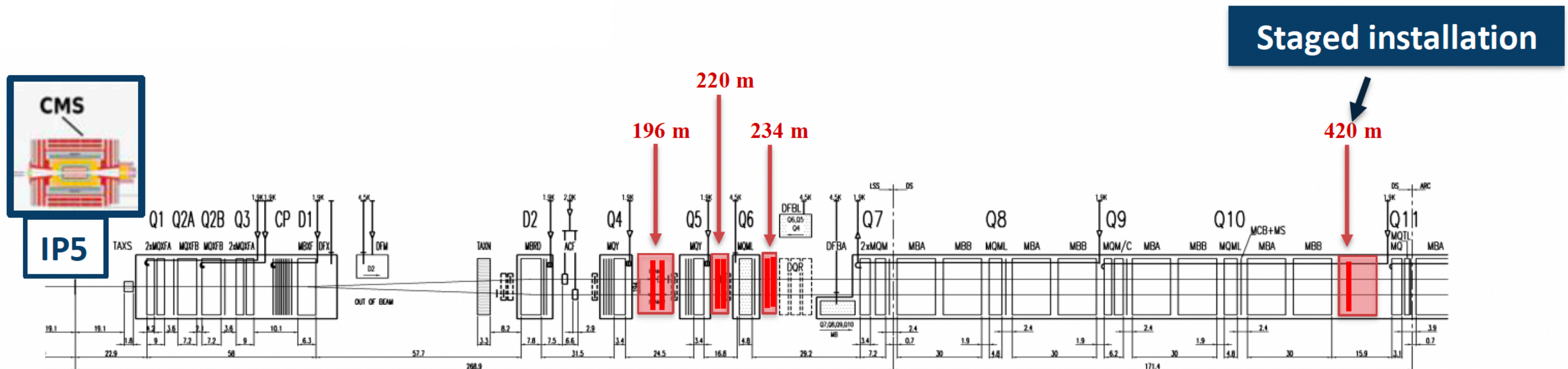
Upgraded Precision Proton Spectrometer (Run 4 and 5)

See Michael Pitt's talk

Basic working principle:

Protons which lose a fraction of momentum at the interaction point ($\xi = \Delta p/p$) are deflected away from the beam and measured by PPS

→ direct measure of the $\xi = \Delta p/p$



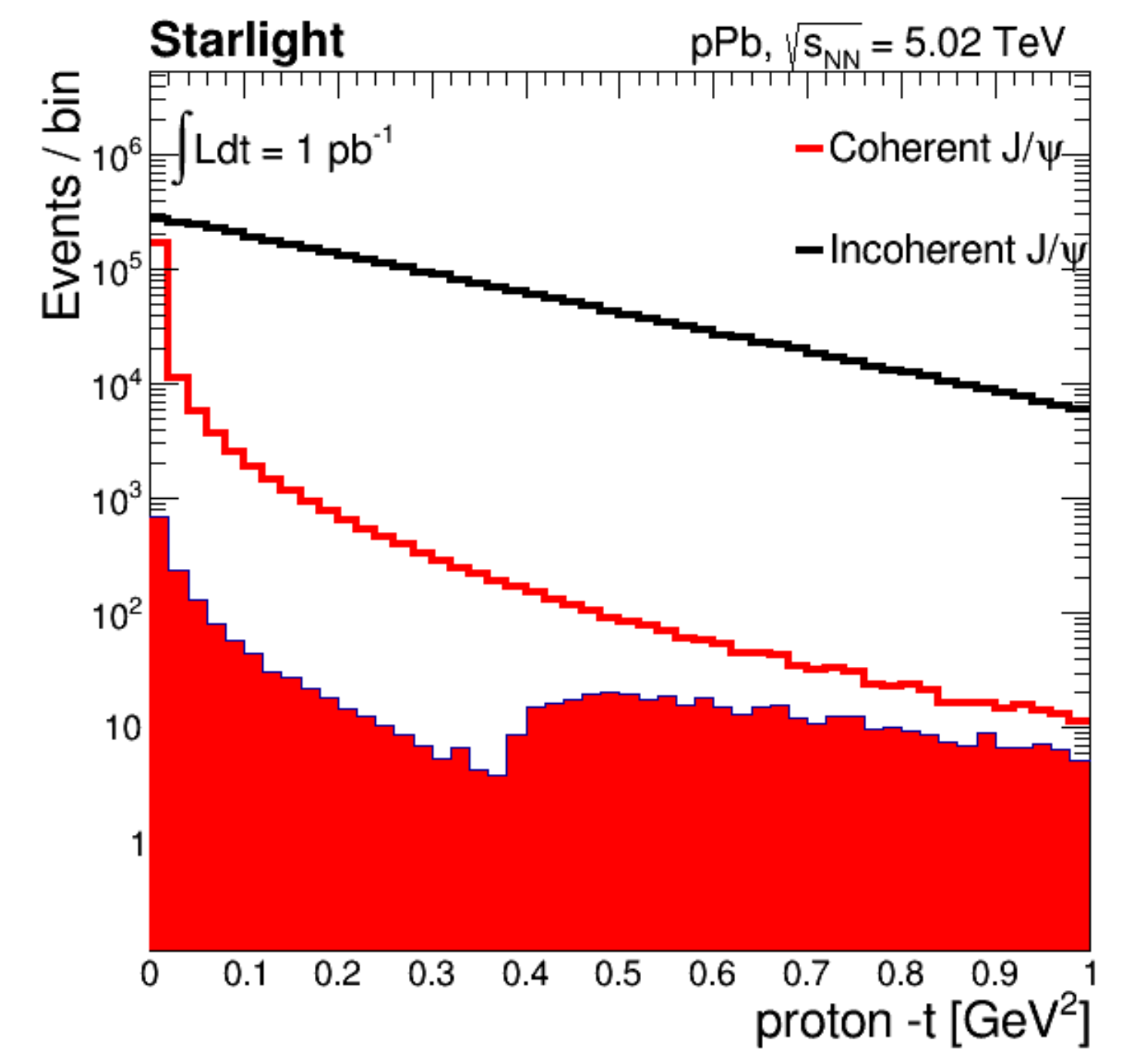
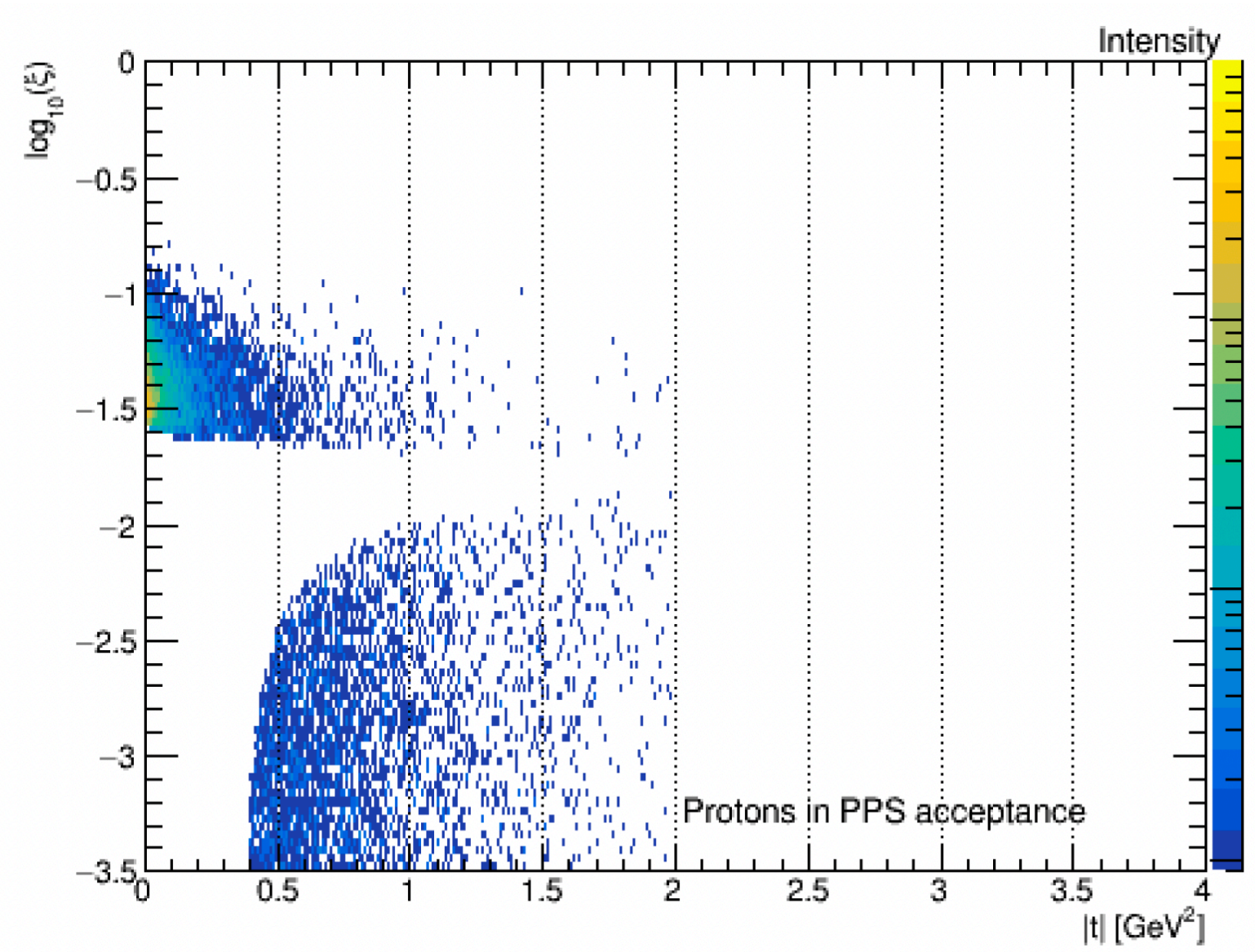
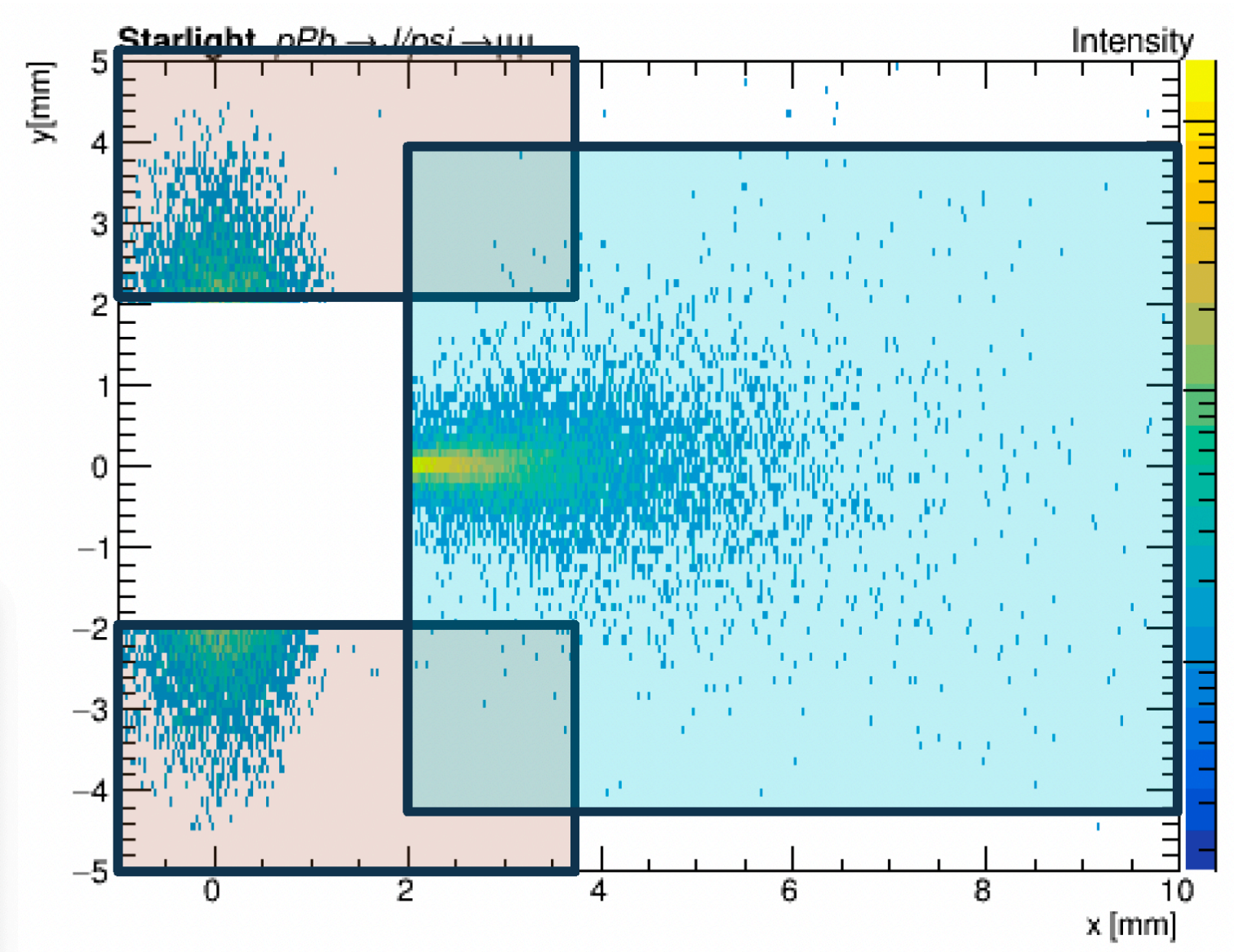
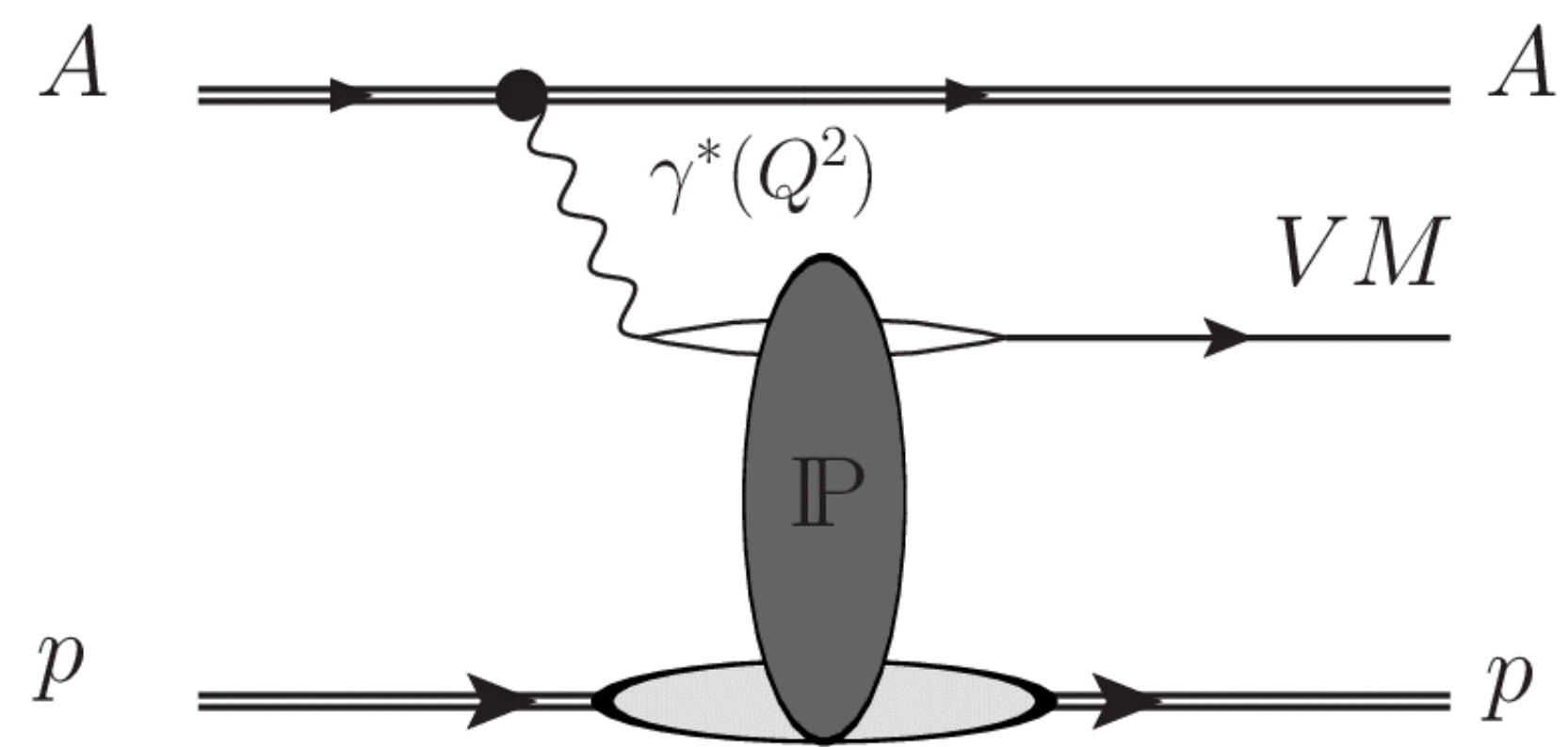
PPS upgrade will further extend the ξ acceptance of the legacy PPS:

- $1.42 < \xi < 20\%$ for the first 3 stations (from Run 4)
- $0.33 < \xi < 20\%$ for the first 3 stations (from Run 5)

Highlight: exclusive vector-meson production in pA

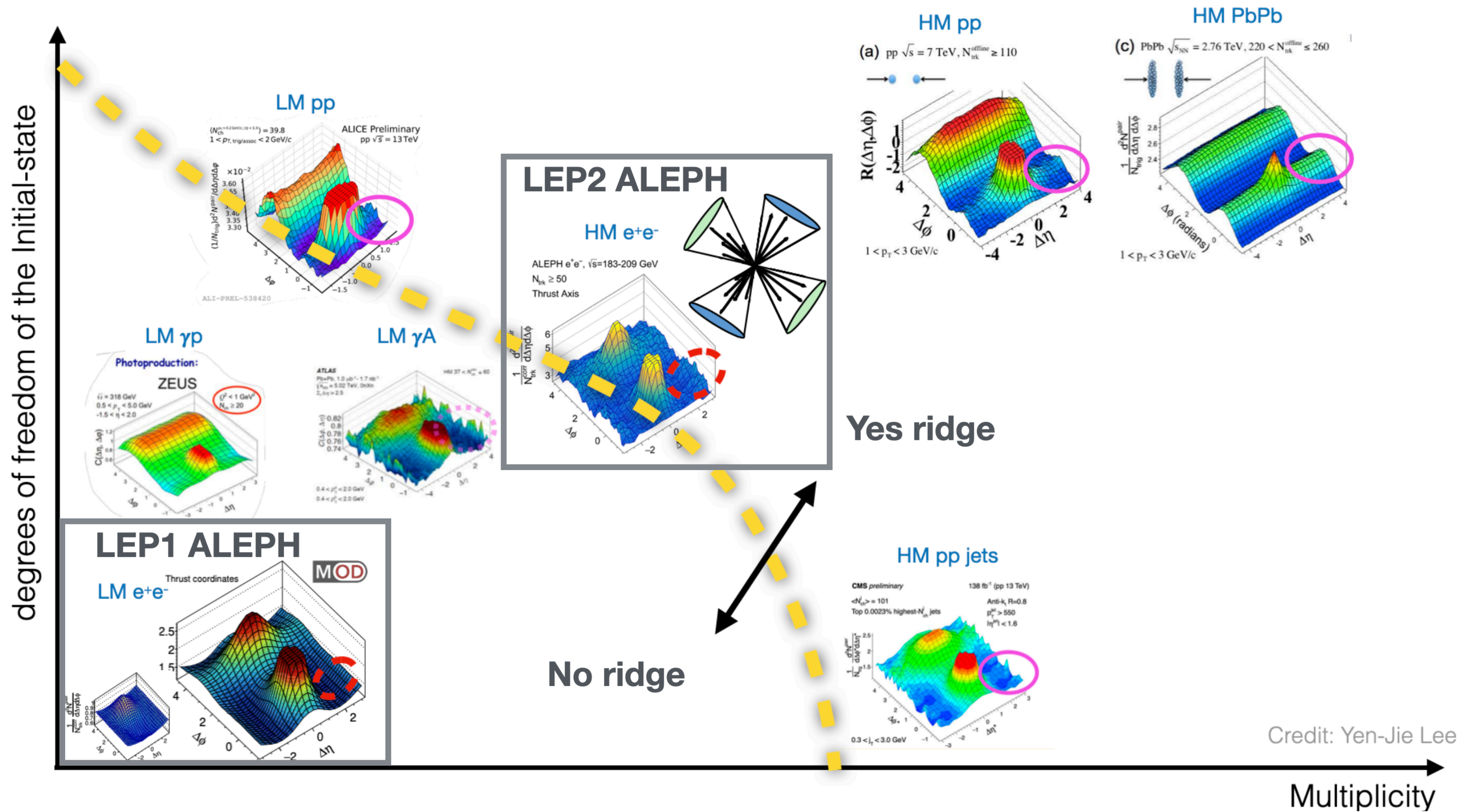
- Vector mesons (Spin 1) are produced in $\gamma - IP$ interactions
- Ions emit a photon at $Q^2 \sim 0$
- **In coherent production proton remain intact:**

→ **PPS would provide high-accuracy tagging of coherent processes**
 → **Similar technique applicable to exclusive dijet production**



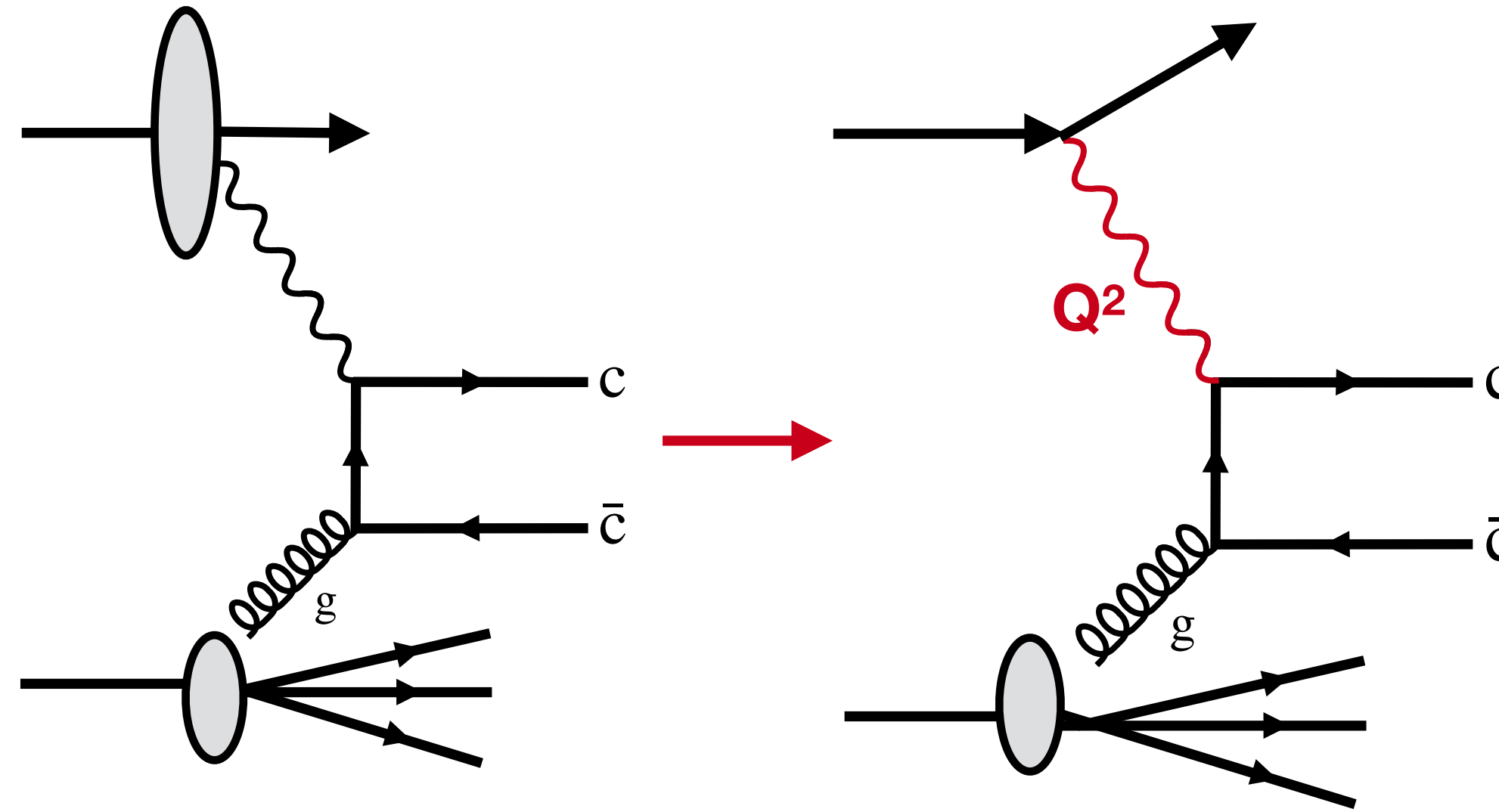
→ **Proof of principle for proton (and ion) tagging with the upcoming pO/OO run (scheduled for 2025)**

Characterizing the emergence of collective phenomenon



- New insights into collective phenomena in “small” systems as well as high color-density hadronization:**
- push for the highest γp multiplicities, exploiting the extended pseudorapidity coverage and PID capabilities

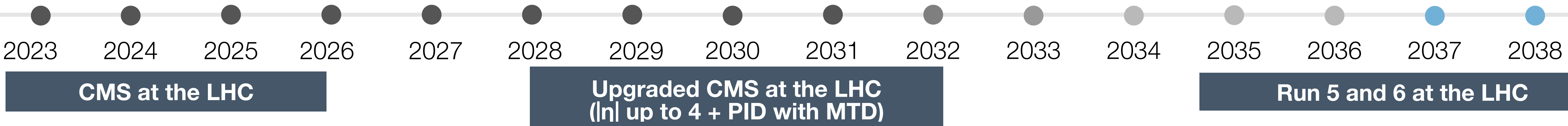
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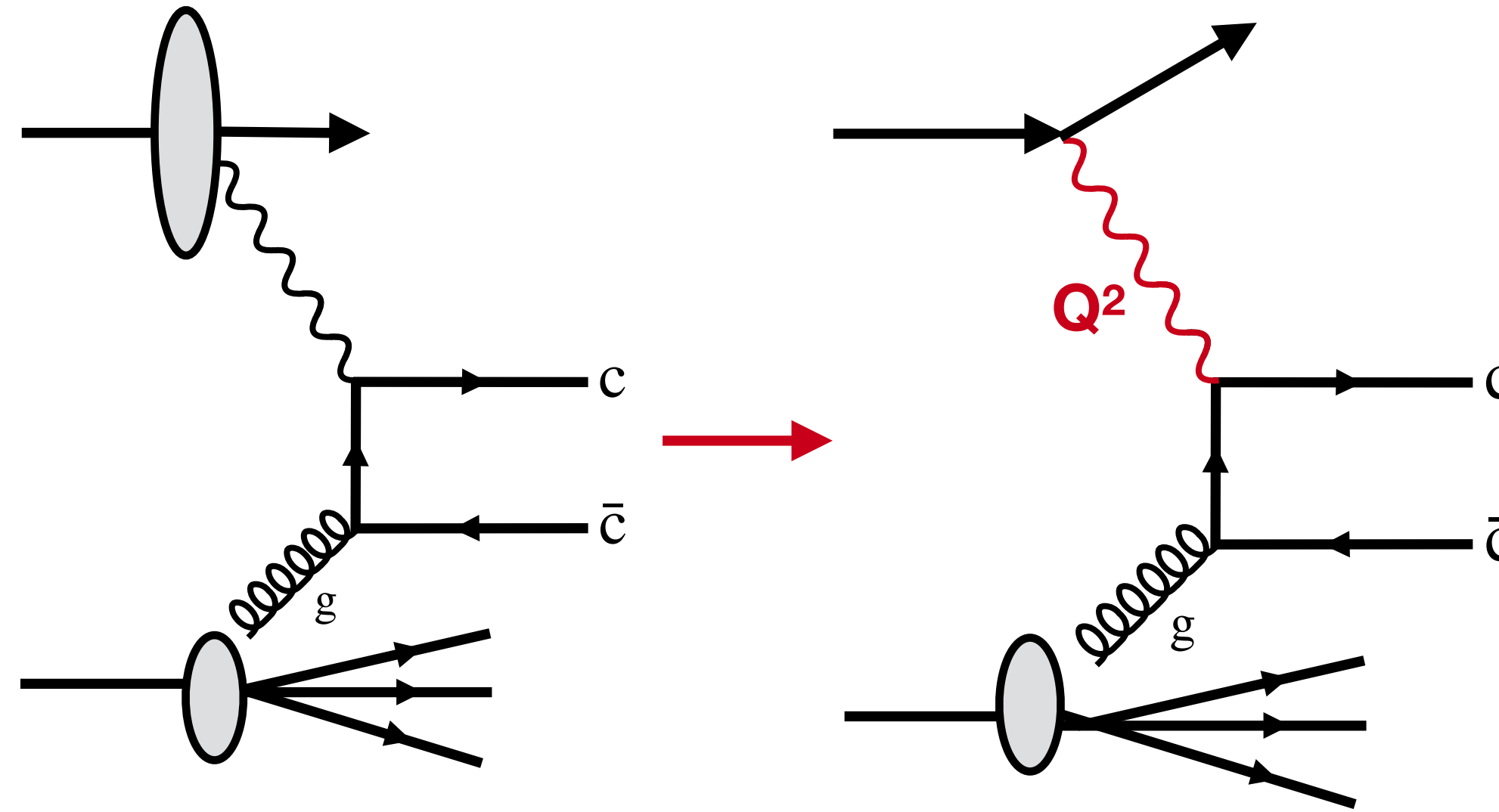
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and on the scale of the interaction

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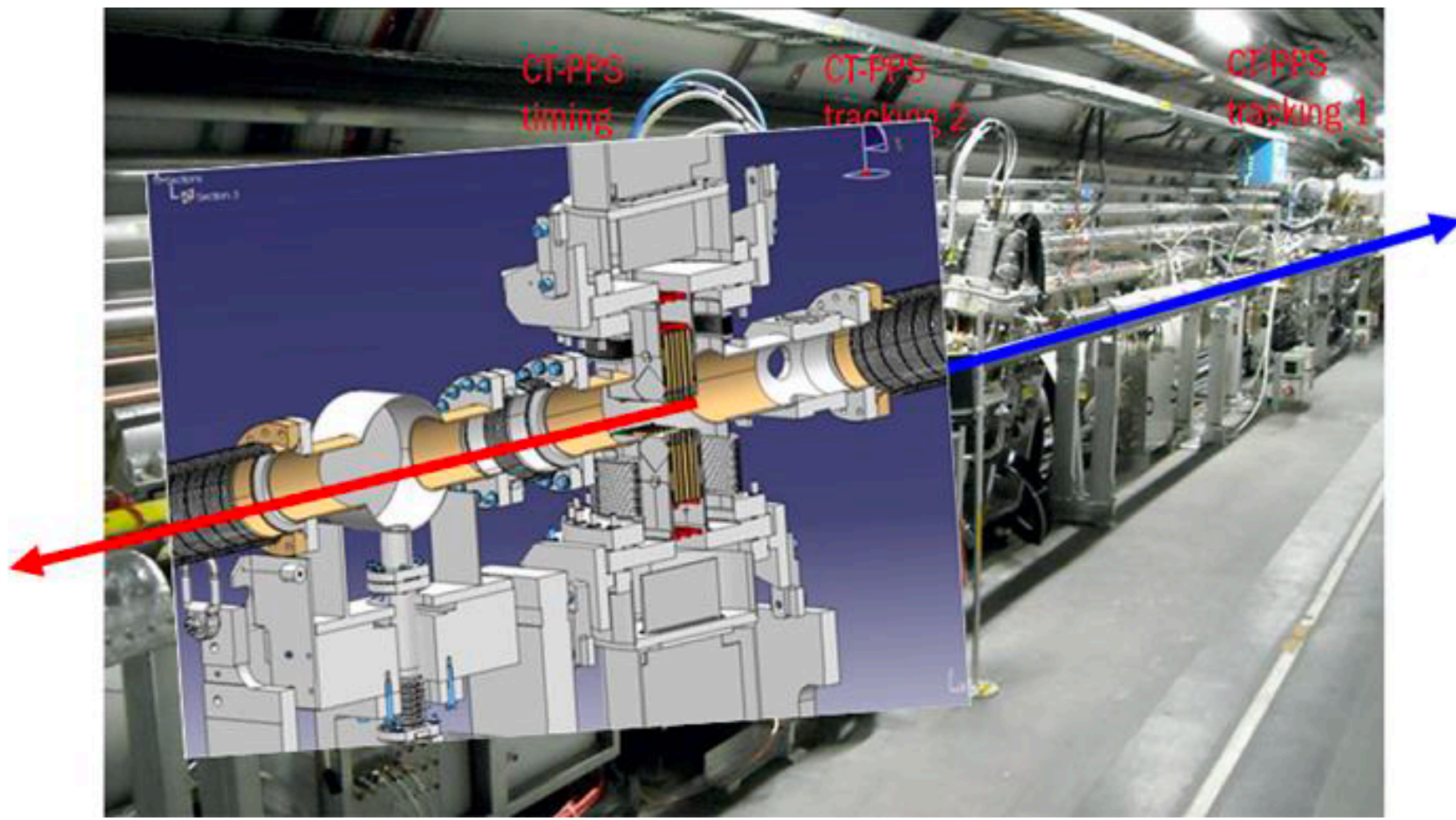
Thank you for your attention!

BACKUP

CMS Precision Proton Spectrometer (Run 2 and 3)

Since 2016 operated in standard pp runs, PPS TDR ([TOTEM-TDR-003](#))

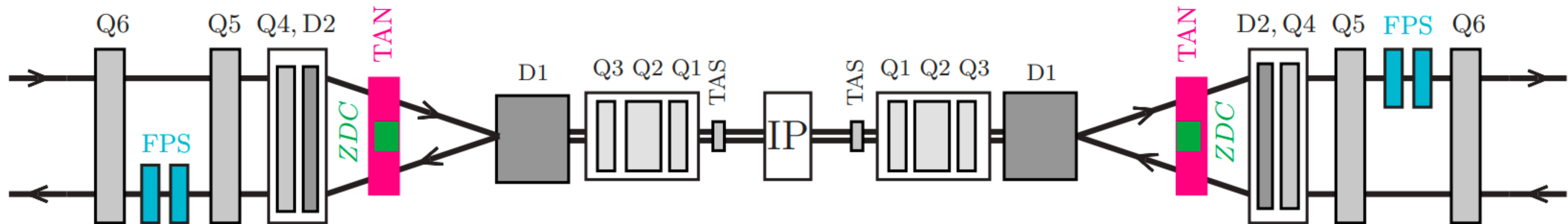
- Located ~ 200m from the interaction point in both arms, approach the beam down to a few mm



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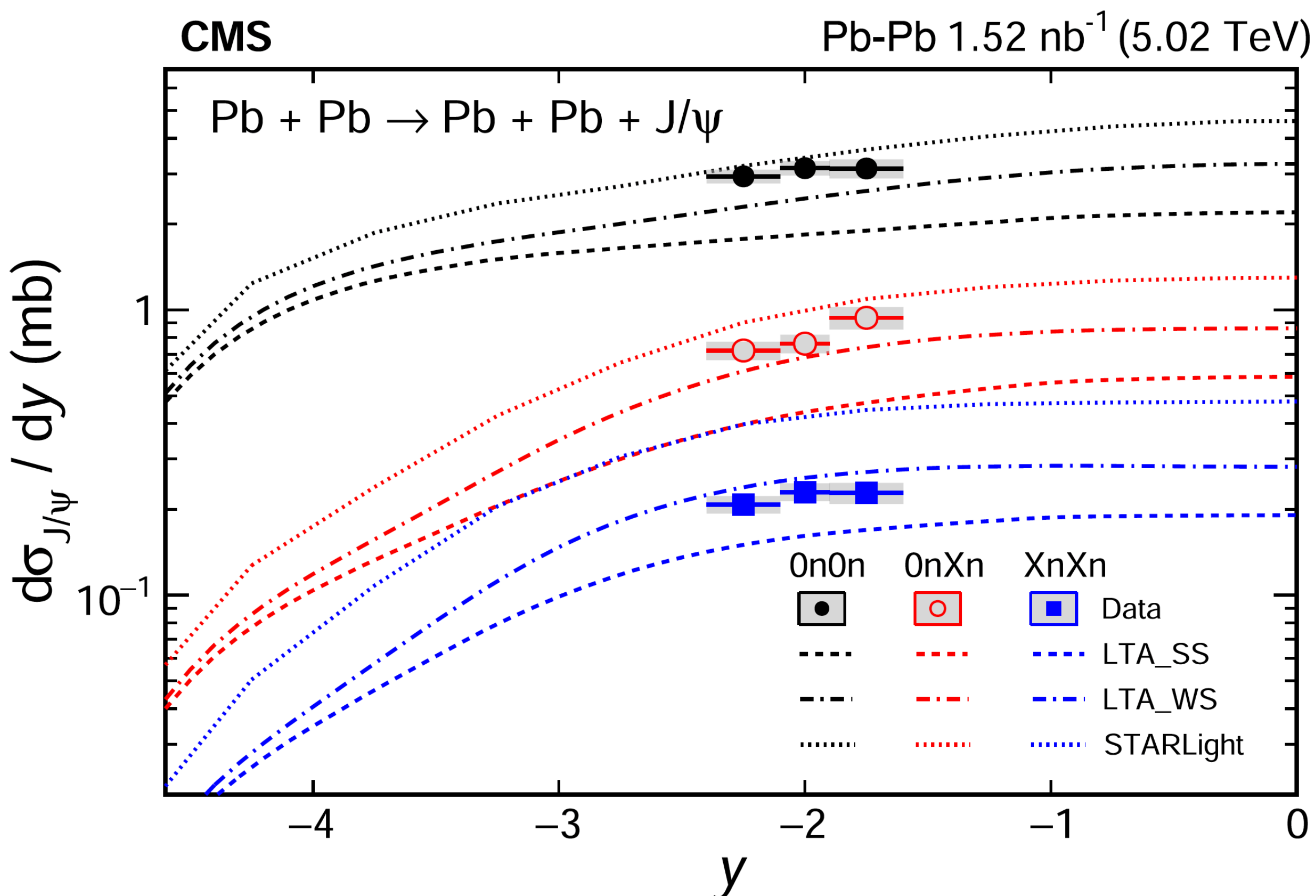
In Run 2 and 3: PPS sensitive to proton's $\Delta p/p$ in the range 3 - 15 %



Coherent J/ψ in PbPb UPCs with forward-neutron tag with CMS

CMS, Phys. Rev. Lett. 131 (2023) 262301

First coherent measurement in different neutron classes \rightarrow **inputs to disentangle low from high energy γN events**



$$\frac{d\sigma_{J/\psi}^{injn}(y)}{dy} = n_{\gamma A}^{injn}(\omega_1) \sigma_{J/\psi}(\omega_1) + n_{\gamma A}^{injn}(\omega_2) \sigma_{J/\psi}(\omega_2)$$

- $injn = (0n0n, 0nXn, XnXn)$
- $\omega_{1,2} = \omega_{1,2}(y)$ two possible photon energies
- $n_{\gamma A}(\omega)$ is the photon flux (from theory)
- $\sigma_{J/\psi}(\omega)$ the coherent photoproduction cross section for a single γA interaction, averaged over a range of y