

Multiplicity dependence of J/ψ polarization measurement in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$ TeV with ALICE at the LHC



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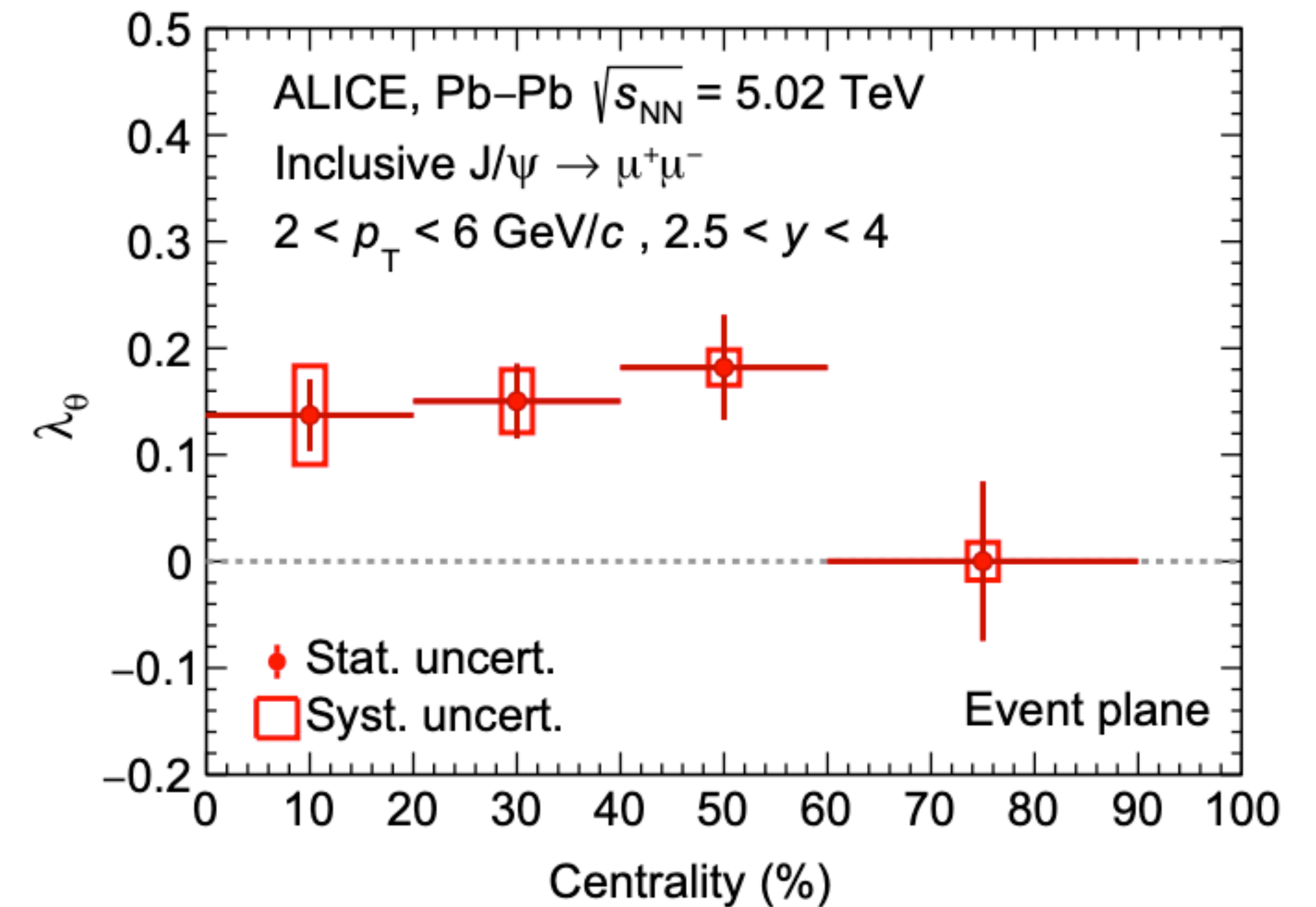


Outlines

- * Motivation of the study
- * Introduction
- * Dataset and track selection cuts
- * Signal extraction method
- * Results
- * Summary and Outlook

Motivation of the Study

- A hint of finite polarization of J/ψ in most and mid central Pb-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV
- First measurement of J/ψ polarization parameter is obtained with respect to the Event Plane method at forward rapidity



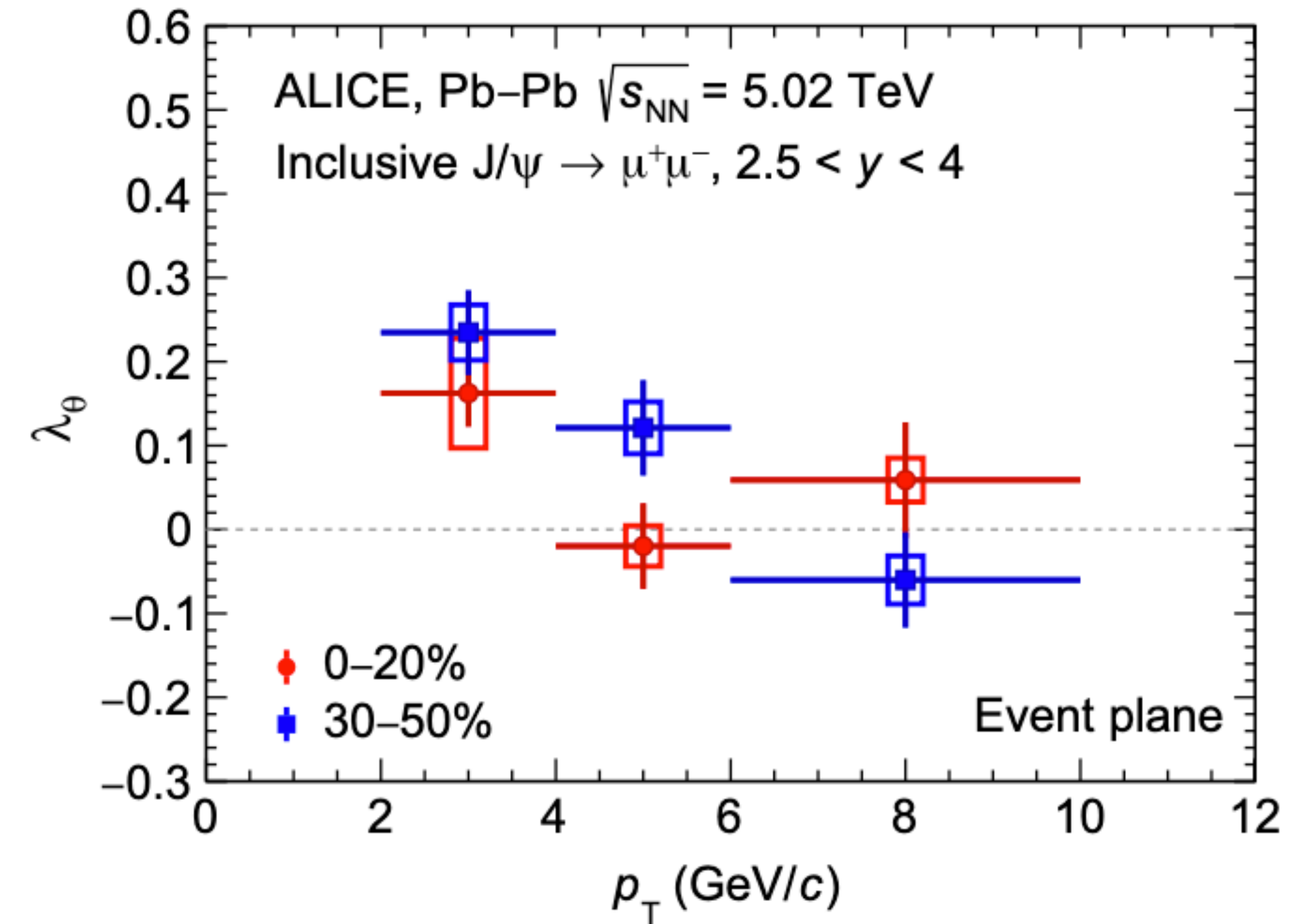
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Motivation of the Study

- Further, a hint of finite polarization of J/ψ is observed at low p_T for Pb-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV
- Significant deviation (3.9σ) is observed for (30-50)% at low transverse momentum ($2 < p_T < 4$ GeV/c)



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Sources of J/ψ polarization

* What could be the possible sources of J/ψ polarization?

- Vorticity field?
- Electromagnetic field?
- Vector meson force field?
- Anisotropic flow?
- Production mechanism?

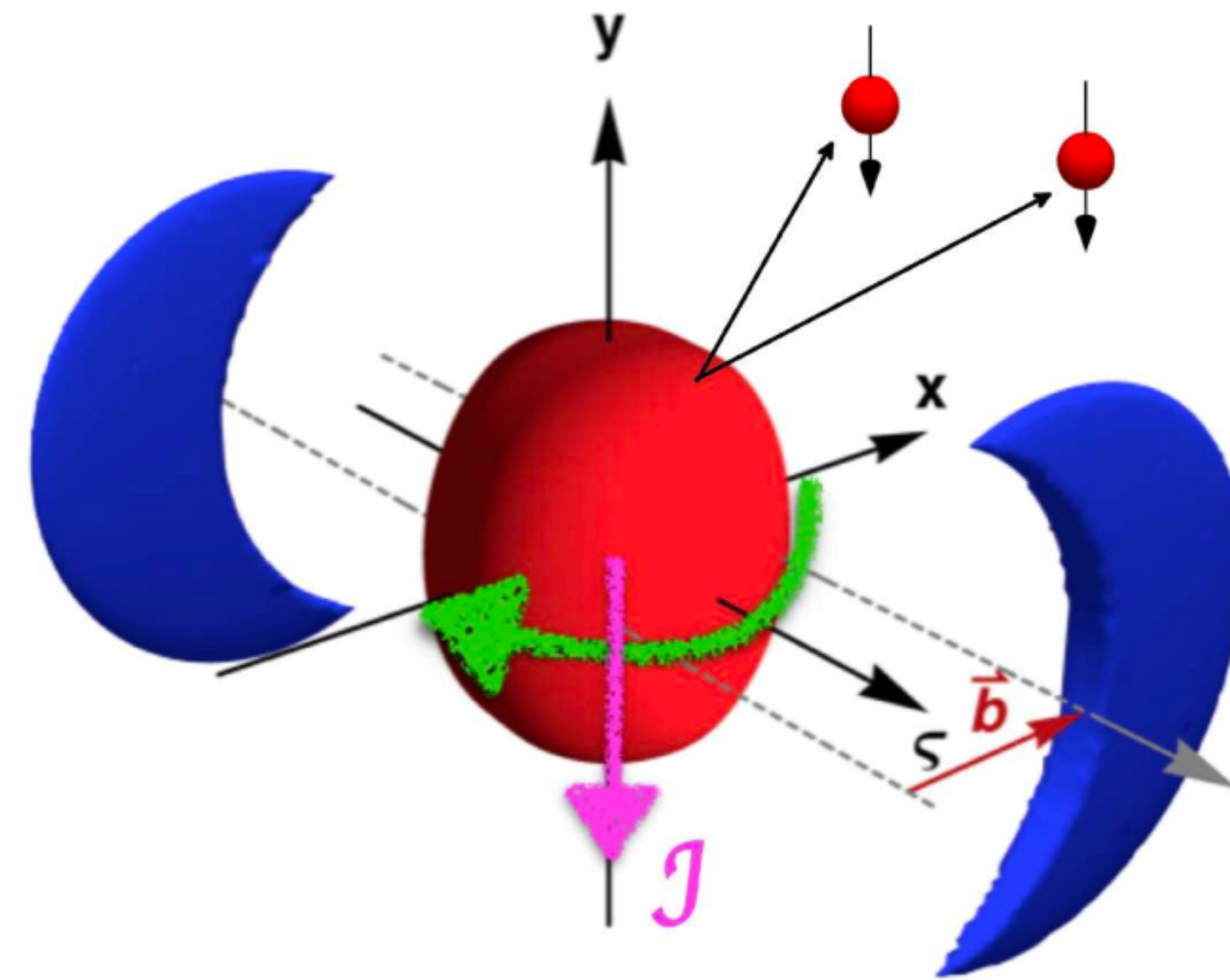
• Does medium has any role on J/ψ polarization?

• Need to be investigated

• What about pp collisions?

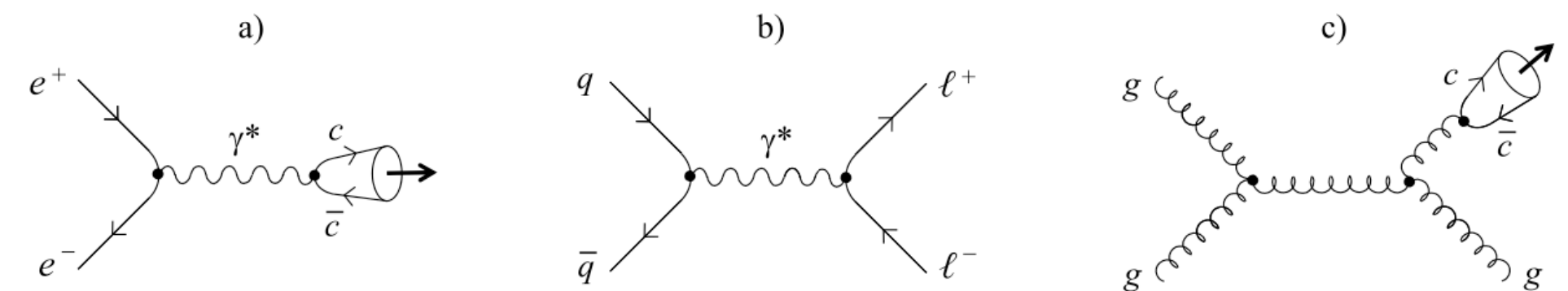
• Basic Conservation Laws

- Helicity Conservation
- Rotational covariance of angular momentum eigenstates
- Parity conservation



$$L_0 = \frac{Ab\sqrt{s_{NN}}}{2}$$

Prog. Nucl. Phys, **108**, 103709 (2019)



Faccioli et. al, EPJC **69**, 657 (2010).

Quarkonium Polarization: an Introduction

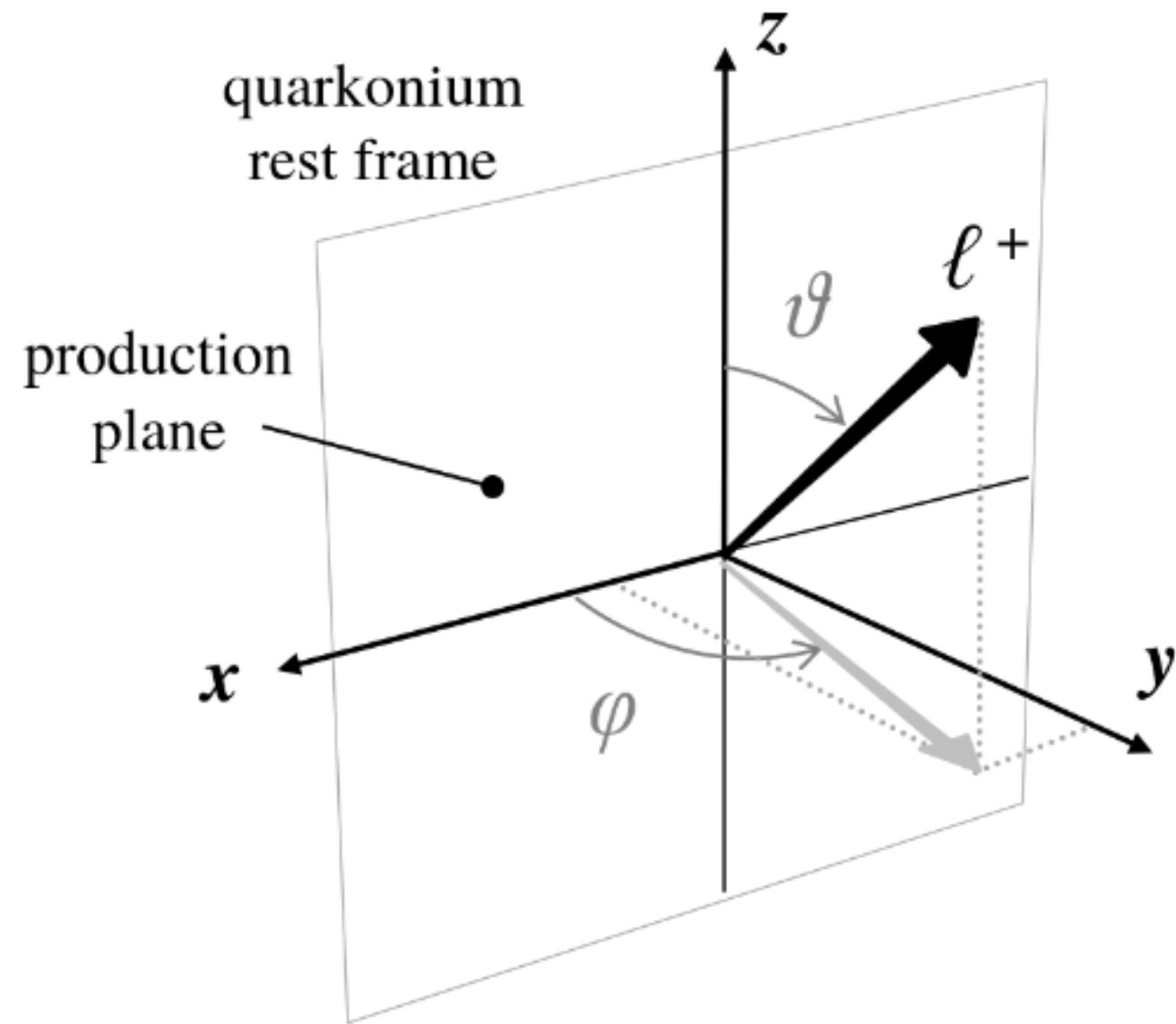
✱ What is polarization?

- It is an observable which measures the alignment of particle spin with respect to a chosen quantisation axis

✱ How do we measure it in experiment?

- For a vector meson (\mathbf{V}) the total angular momentum (\mathbf{J}, J_z) state can be expressed as

$J/\psi, \psi(2S), Y(1S), Y(2S), Y(3S), \text{etc. } [J^{PC} = 1^{--}]$



$$|V : J, J_z\rangle = \mathbf{b}_{-1}|1, -1\rangle + \mathbf{b}_0|1, 0\rangle + \mathbf{b}_{+1}|1, +1\rangle$$

Spin alignment \Leftrightarrow Decay daughter's angular distribution

Dilepton decay angular distribution

$$W(\theta, \phi) \propto \frac{1}{3 + \lambda_\theta} (1 + \lambda_\theta \cos^2 \theta + \lambda_\phi \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi + \lambda_{\theta\phi} \sin 2\theta \cos \phi)$$

$(\lambda_\theta, \lambda_\phi, \lambda_{\theta\phi}) = (1, 0, 0) \rightarrow$ Pure transverse polarization

$(\lambda_\theta, \lambda_\phi, \lambda_{\theta\phi}) = (-1, 0, 0) \rightarrow$ Pure longitudinal polarization

$(\lambda_\theta, \lambda_\phi, \lambda_{\theta\phi}) = (0, 0, 0) \rightarrow$ zero polarization

Polarization Frames

- * Polarization parameters $\lambda_\theta, \lambda_\phi, \lambda_{\theta\phi}$ are frame dependent
- * Conventionally, three polarization frames are defined
- * Polarization frames are decided on the definition of quantization axis (say, z axis)

- * **Helicity Frame (HF)**

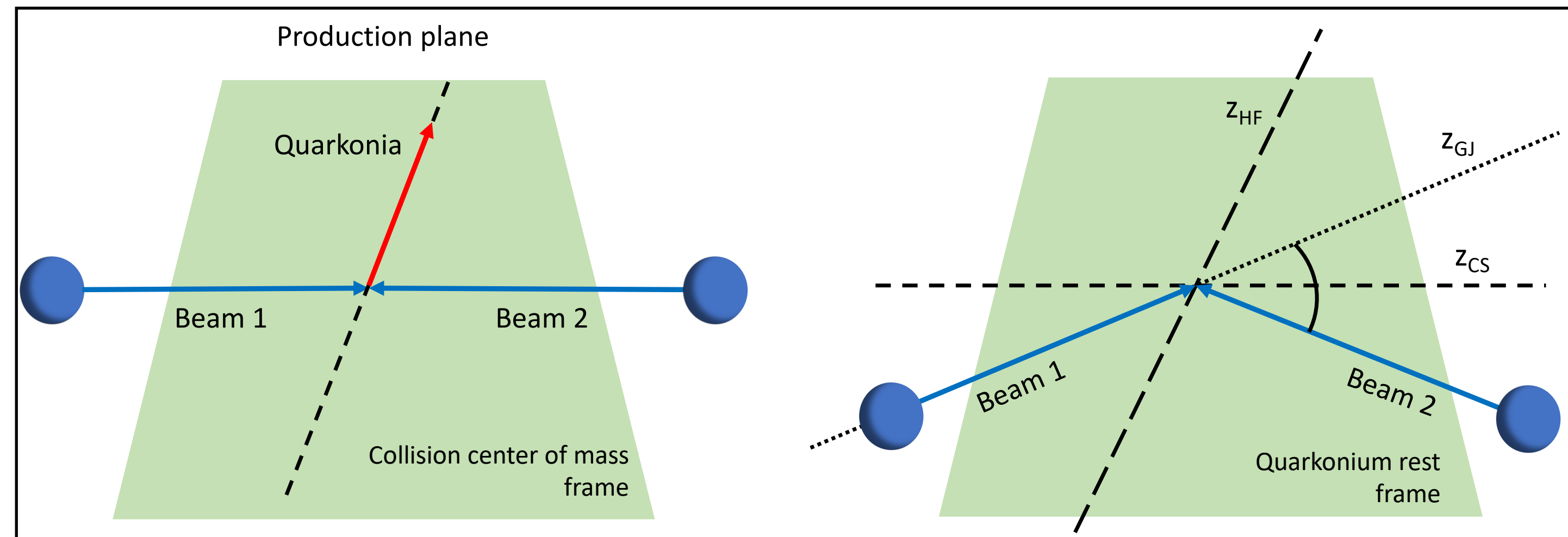
In the direction of quarkonia momentum in the center of the mass frame of the colliding beams

- * **Collins-Soper Frame (CS)**

The bisector of the angle between the momentum of one beam and the opposite of the other beam

- * **Gottfried-Jackson Frame (GJ)**

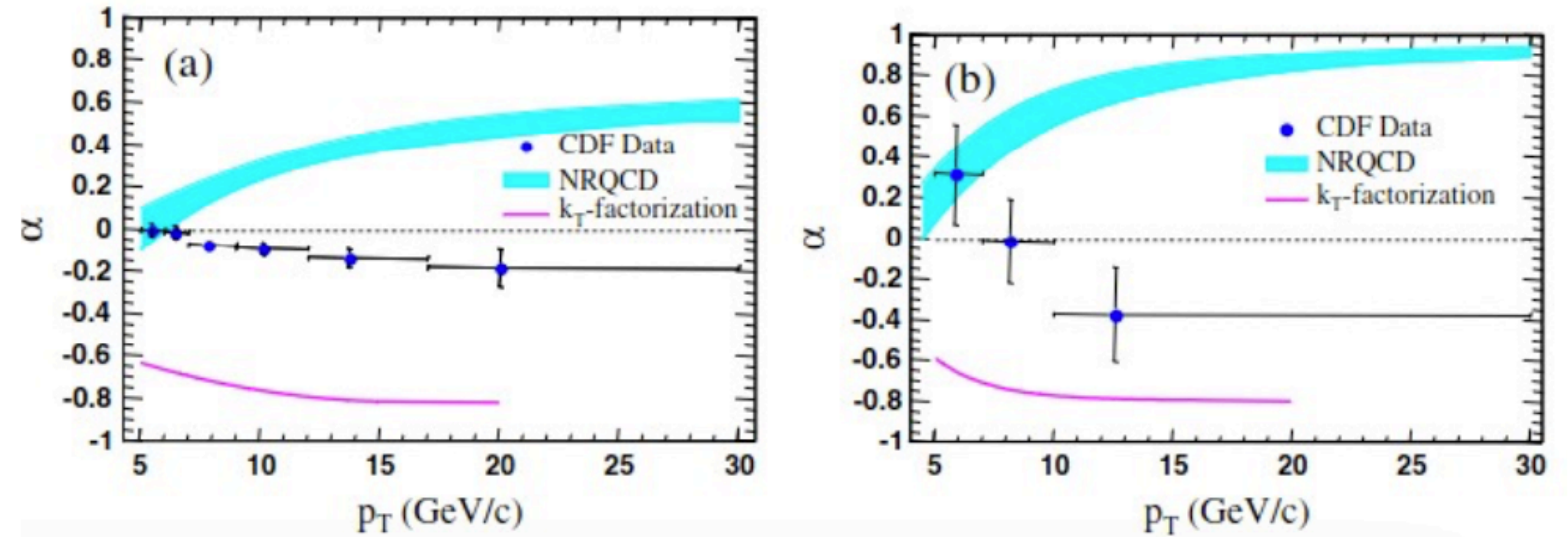
The direction of the momentum of one of the colliding beams



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J/ψ polarization puzzle

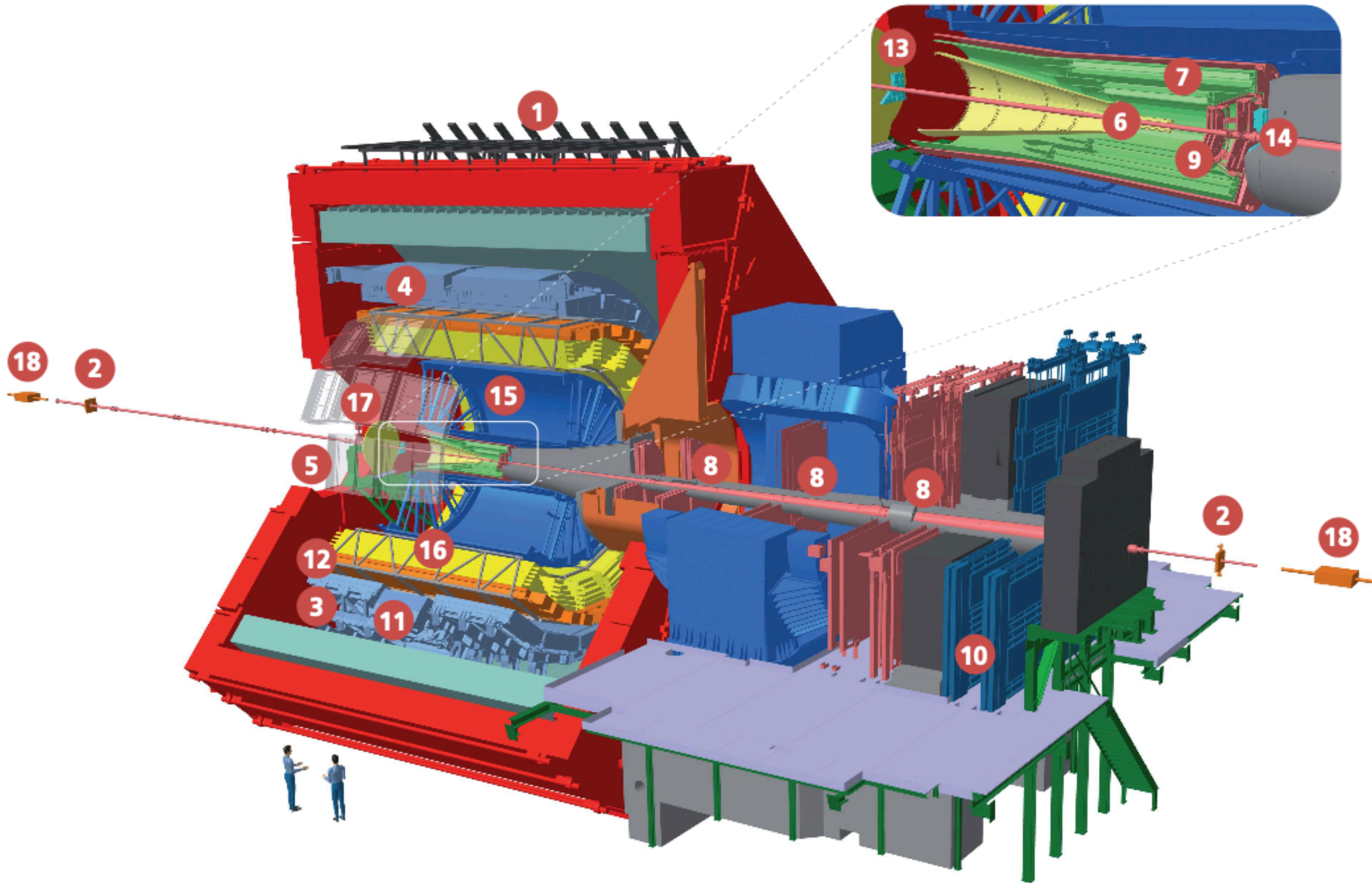
- Polarization measurement constrain quarkonium production mechanism
- J/ψ and ψ(2S) polarization measured by the CDF collaboration as a function of p_T in the Helicity frame for pp collisions $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV ($|\eta| < 0.6$)



- NRQCD → Strong transverse polarization
- k_T -Factorization → Strong longitudinal polarization
- CDF Run 2 Data → Very weak longitudinal polarization
- So called “J/ψ polarization puzzle”

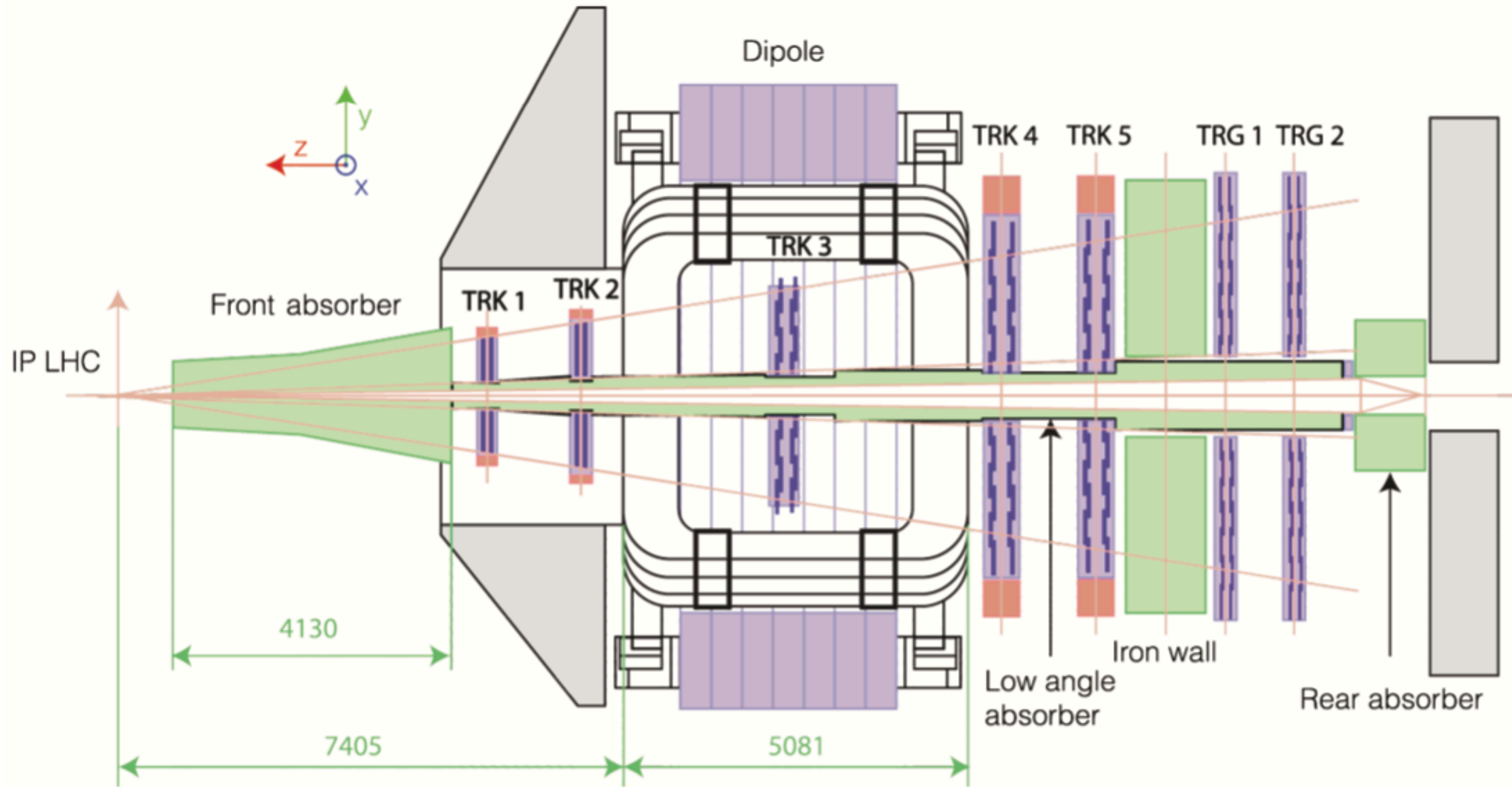
• PRL **99**, 132001 (2007).

ALICE Detector: Run 3 Configuration



- 1 **ACORDE** | ALICE Cosmic Rays Detector
- 2 **AD** | ALICE Diffractive Detector
- 3 **DCal** | Di-jet Calorimeter
- 4 **EMCal** | Electromagnetic Calorimeter
- 5 **HMPID** | High Momentum Particle Identification Detector
- 6 **ITS-IB** | Inner Tracking System - Inner Barrel
- 7 **ITS-OB** | Inner Tracking System - Outer Barrel
- 8 **MCH** | Muon Tracking Chambers
- 9 **MFT** | Muon Forward Tracker
- 10 **MID** | Muon Identifier
- 11 **PHOS / CPV** | Photon Spectrometer
- 12 **TOF** | Time Of Flight
- 13 **T0+A** | Tzero + A
- 14 **T0+C** | Tzero + C
- 15 **TPC** | Time Projection Chamber
- 16 **TRD** | Transition Radiation Detector
- 17 **V0+** | Vzero + Detector
- 18 **ZDC** | Zero Degree Calorimeter

Muon Spectrometer



Dataset Selection

- **Dataset:** LHC22o_pass6_minBias_medium
- **Run Periods:** 526641, 526964, 527041, 527240
- **Package Tag:** daily-20240513-0200-1
- **Train Number:** 212423
- **JIRA Tickets:** JIRA : PWGDQ-84
- **Analysers Name :** bhsahoo
- **Analysis Name:** Multiplicity dependence of Jpsi polarization in pp collisions
- **Path to hyperloop:** <https://alimonitor.cern.ch/hyperloop/view-analysis/50643>
- **Wagon Name:** tablemaker-run3-association-test2, tablereader-run3-association-test2

Analysis Cuts: Event and Track Selection Cuts

1. table-maker: (Analysis Task: tableMaker.cxx)

Event Cuts: eventStandardNoINT7

Muon Cuts: muonQualityCuts

- $-4 < \eta_{\mu} < -2.5$
- $17.6 < R_{Abs} < 89.5$ cm
- pDCA cut
- $\chi^2_{\mu} > 0$
- $\chi^2_{MCH-MID} > 0$

Wagon Name: tablemaker-run3-association-test2

processAssociatedMuonOnlyWithCovAndMults: “true”
cfgMuonLowPt: 0
cfgPropMuon: “true”

Dependencies [fwdtrack-collision-association](#)
[EventSelection_Run3_pp](#)
[FwdTrackExtension](#)
[Multiplicity_Run3_pp](#)
[TimestampCreator](#)

2. table-reader: (Analysis Task: tableReader.cxx)

Event Cuts: eventStandardNoINT7

Muon Cuts: matchedMchMid
muonLowPt10SigmaPDCA
muonLowPt210SigmaPDCA
muonLowPt510SigmaPDCA

MCH-MID (Track Type 3)

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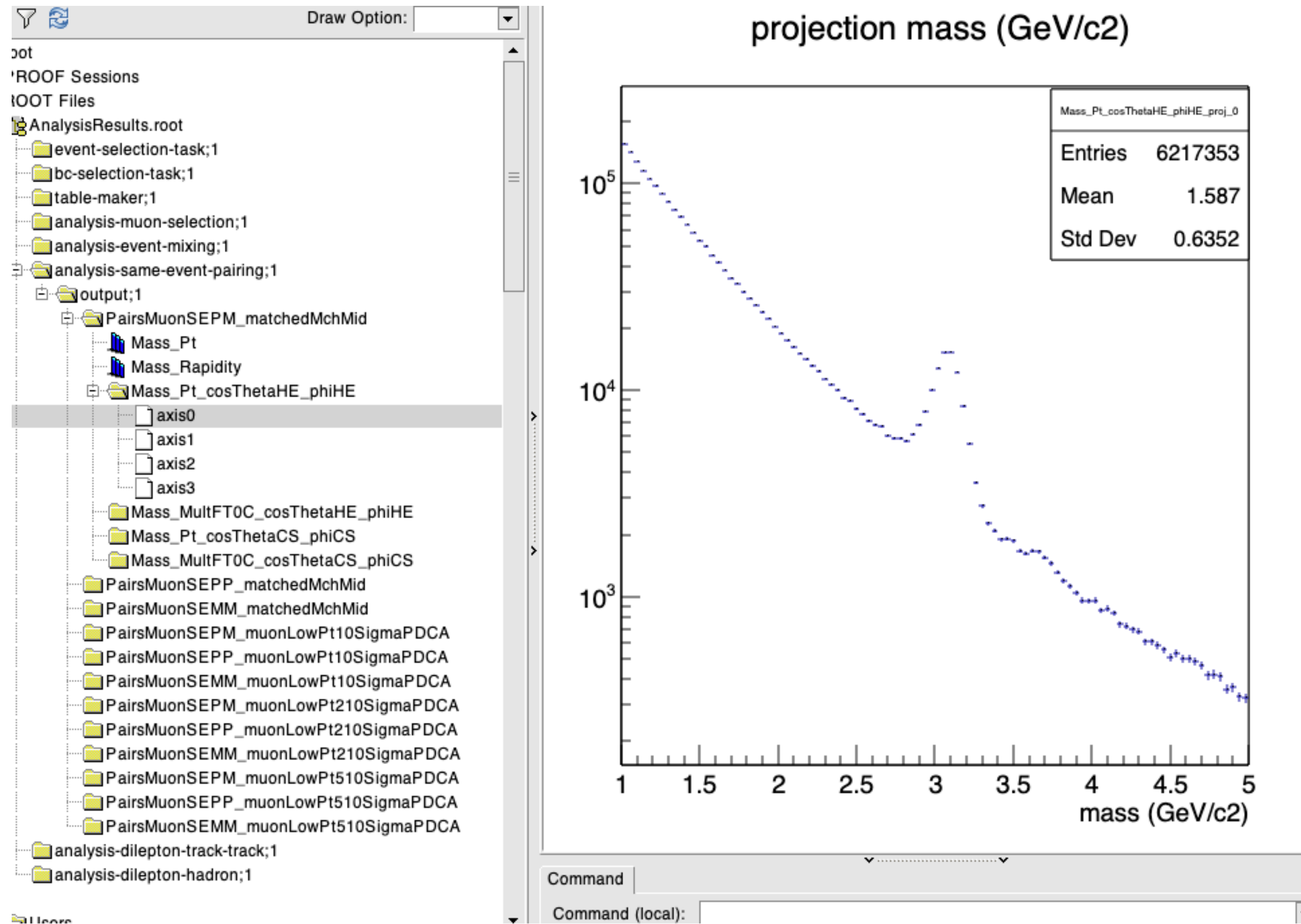
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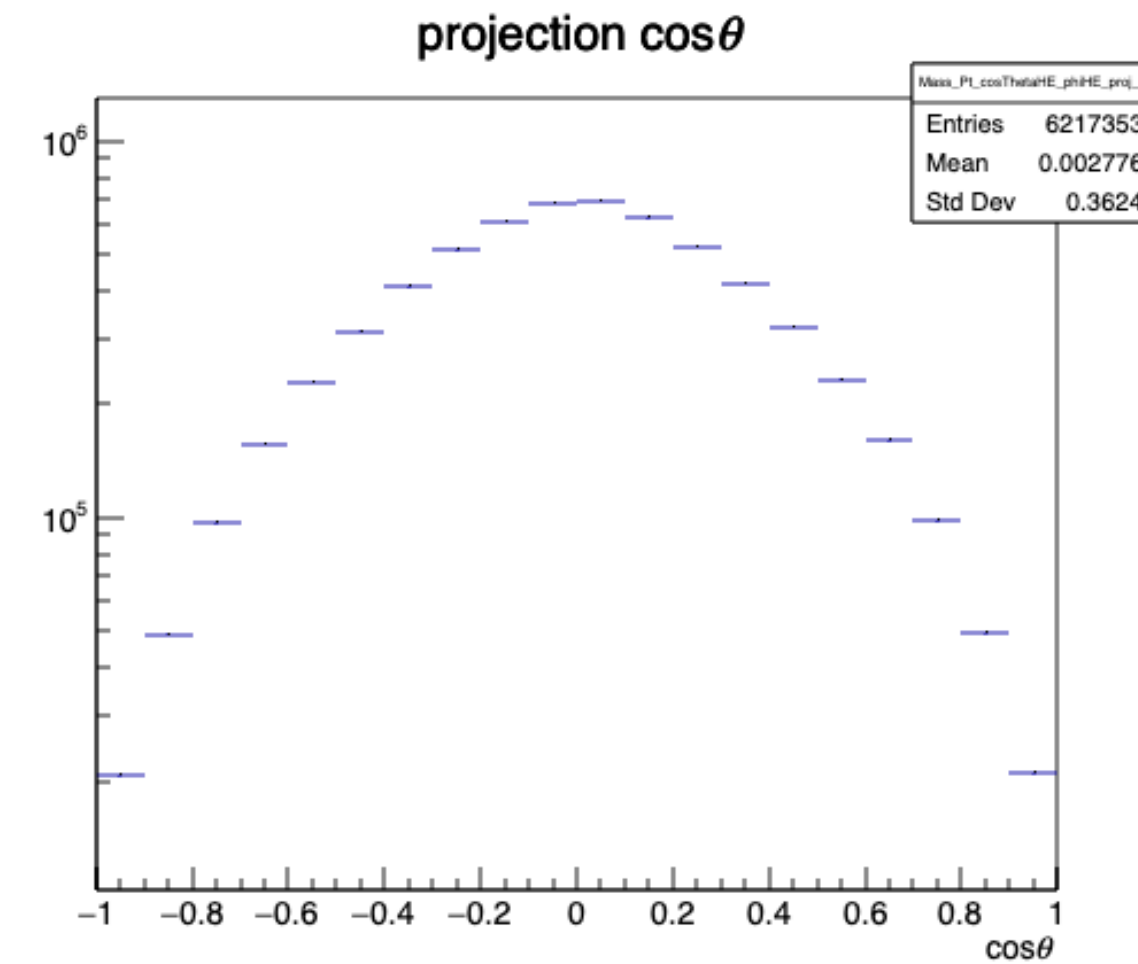
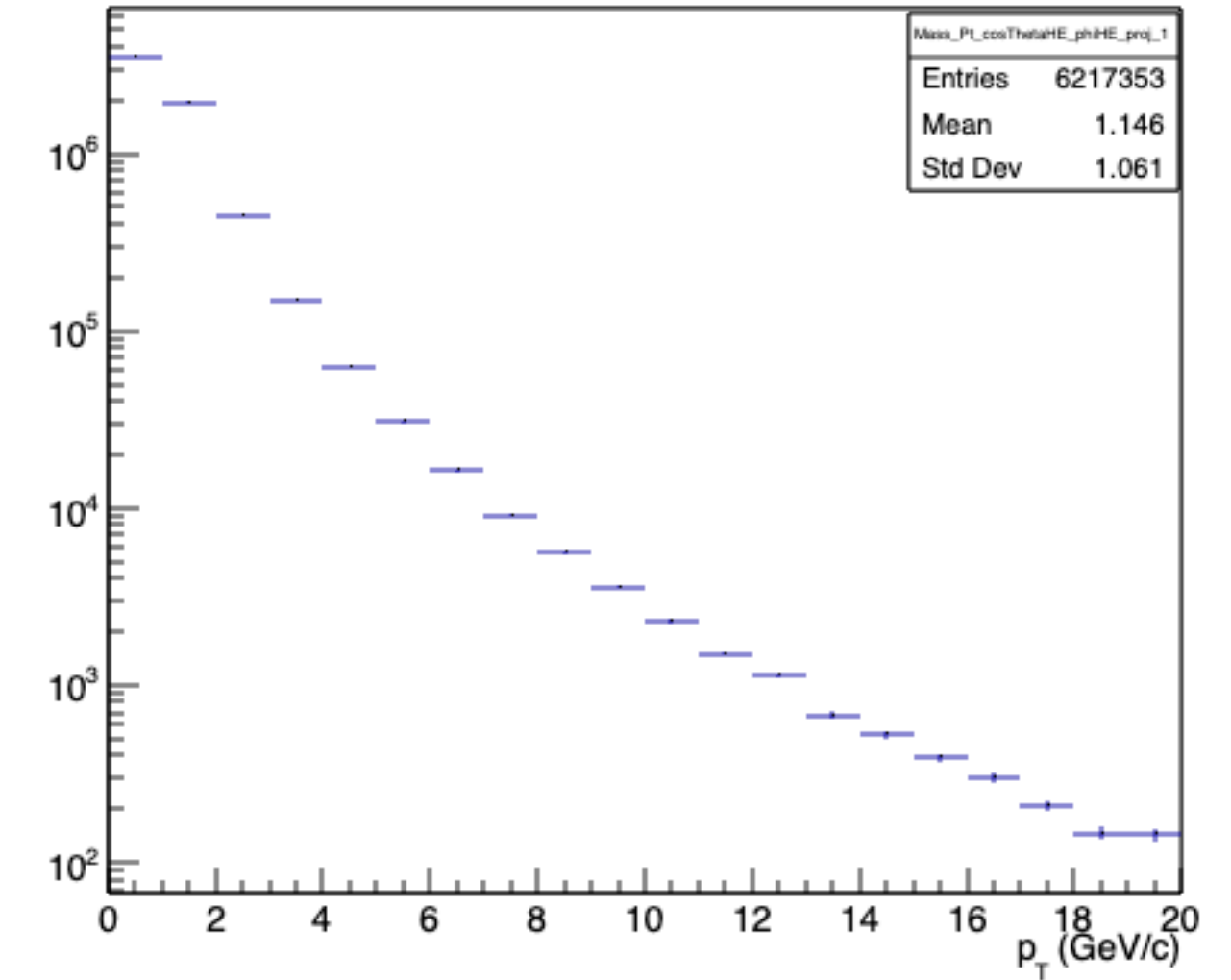
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Output of the TableReader Task

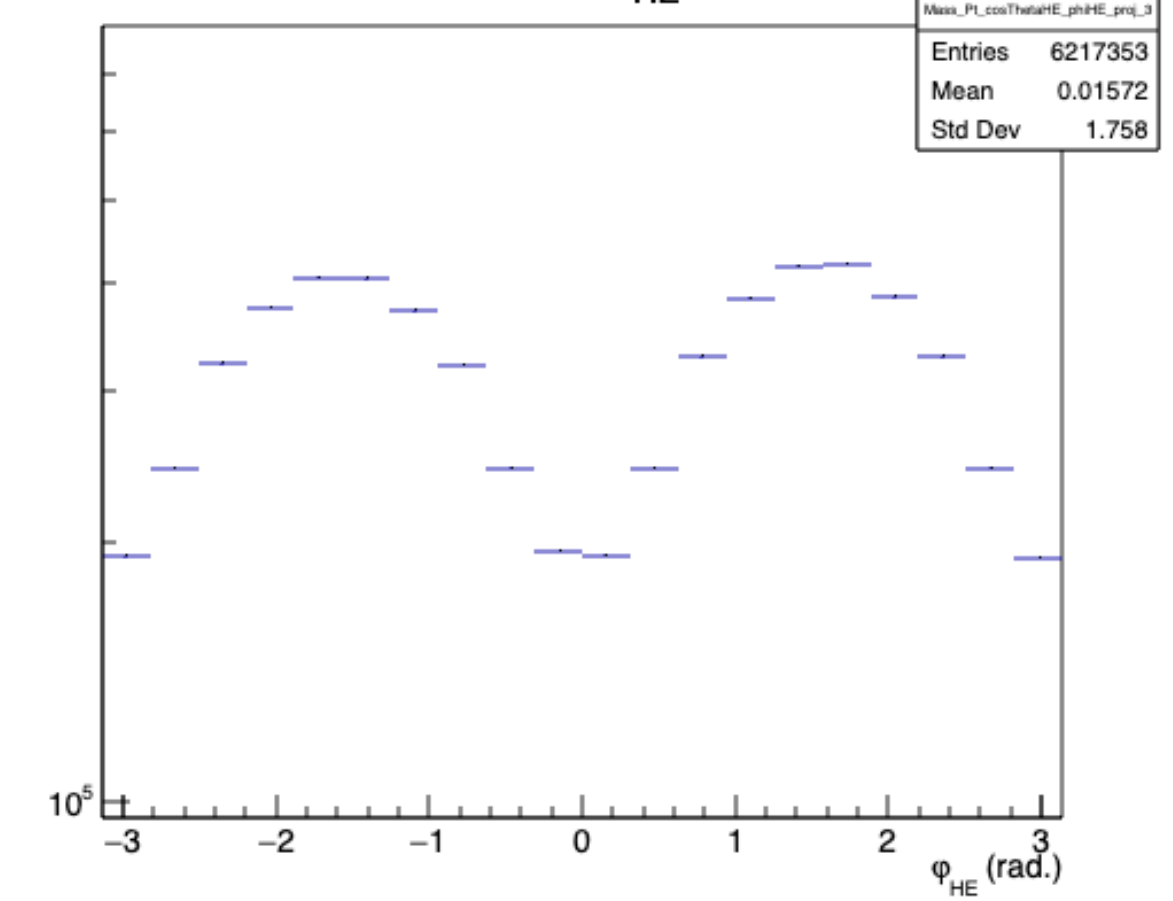
- Mass, p_T , ϕ , and $\cos\theta$ are filled in two four dimensional histogram for helicity and Collins-Soper frame using THnSparse
- Mass, multiplicity, ϕ , and $\cos\theta$ are filled in two four dimensional histogram for helicity and Collins-Soper frame using THnSparse



projection p_T (GeV/c)



projection ϕ_{HE} (rad.)



Fitting Function

– signal shape: double Crystal Ball function (CB2) :

$$f(x; N, \bar{x}, \sigma, t_1, t_2, p_1, p_2) = N \cdot \begin{cases} A \cdot (B - t)^{-p_1} & , t \leq t_1 \\ \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}t^2\right) & , t_1 < t < t_2 \\ C \cdot (D + t)^{-p_2} & , t \geq t_2 \end{cases}$$

where

$$t = \frac{x - \bar{x}}{\sigma}$$

$$A = \left(\frac{p_1}{|t_1|}\right)^{p_1} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{|t_1|^2}{2}\right)$$

$$B = \frac{p_1}{|t_1|} - |t_1|$$

$$C = \left(\frac{p_2}{|t_2|}\right)^{p_2} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{|t_2|^2}{2}\right)$$

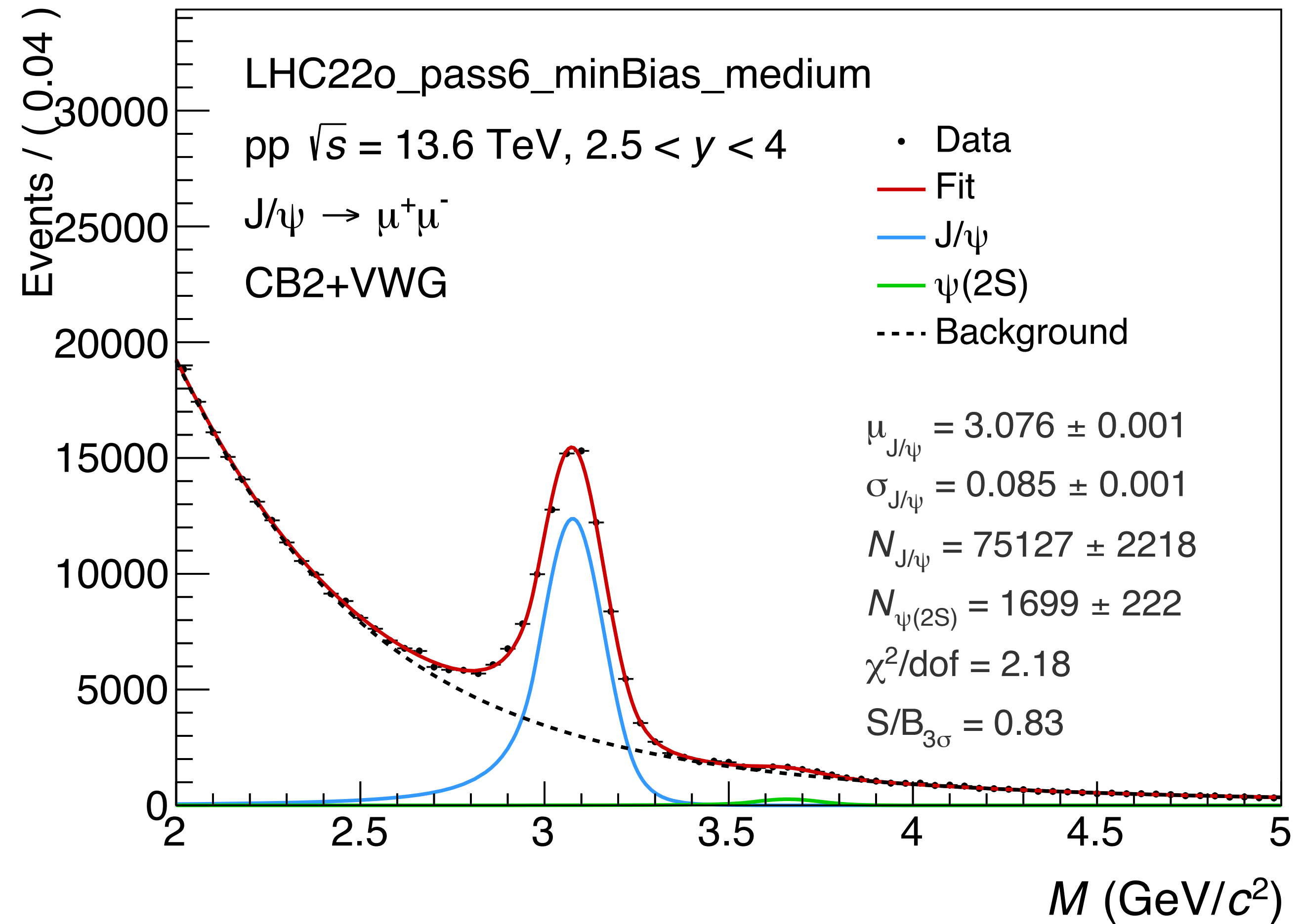
$$D = \frac{p_2}{|t_2|} - |t_2|$$

– background shapes: variable Width Gaussian (VWG) :

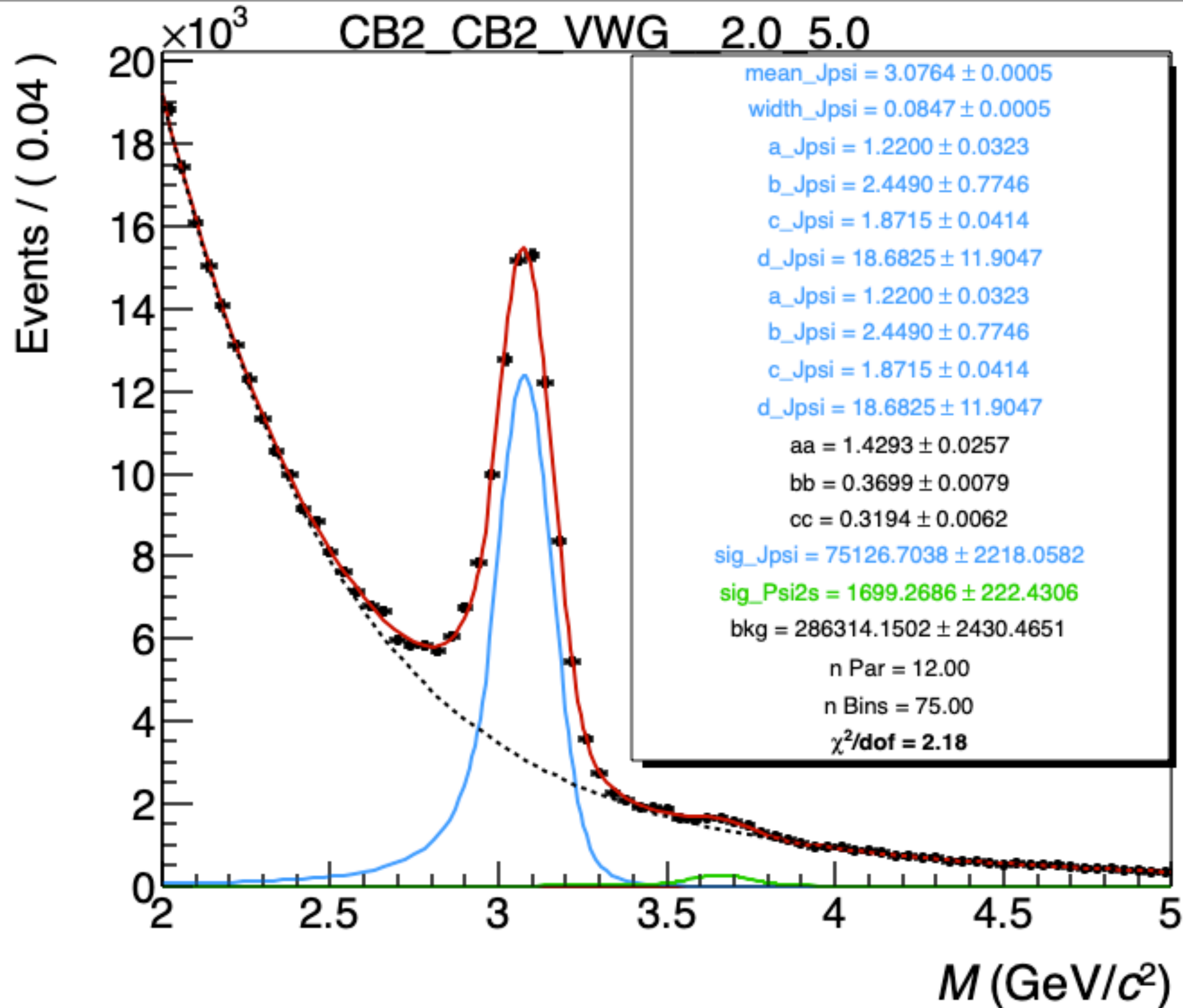
$$f(x; N, \bar{x}, A, B) = N \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \bar{x})^2}{2\sigma_{VWG}^2}\right)$$

where

$$\sigma_{VWG} = A + B \cdot \frac{x - \bar{x}}{\bar{x}}$$



J/ψ and ψ(2S) Tail Parameters



Fitting Procedure

- * Fitting is done through **DQ Fit Library**
- * The tail parameters are kept free
- * Once the MC data is available the tail parameter will change accordingly
- * All other parameters are free
- * The mass and width of ψ(2S) are fixed using the formula

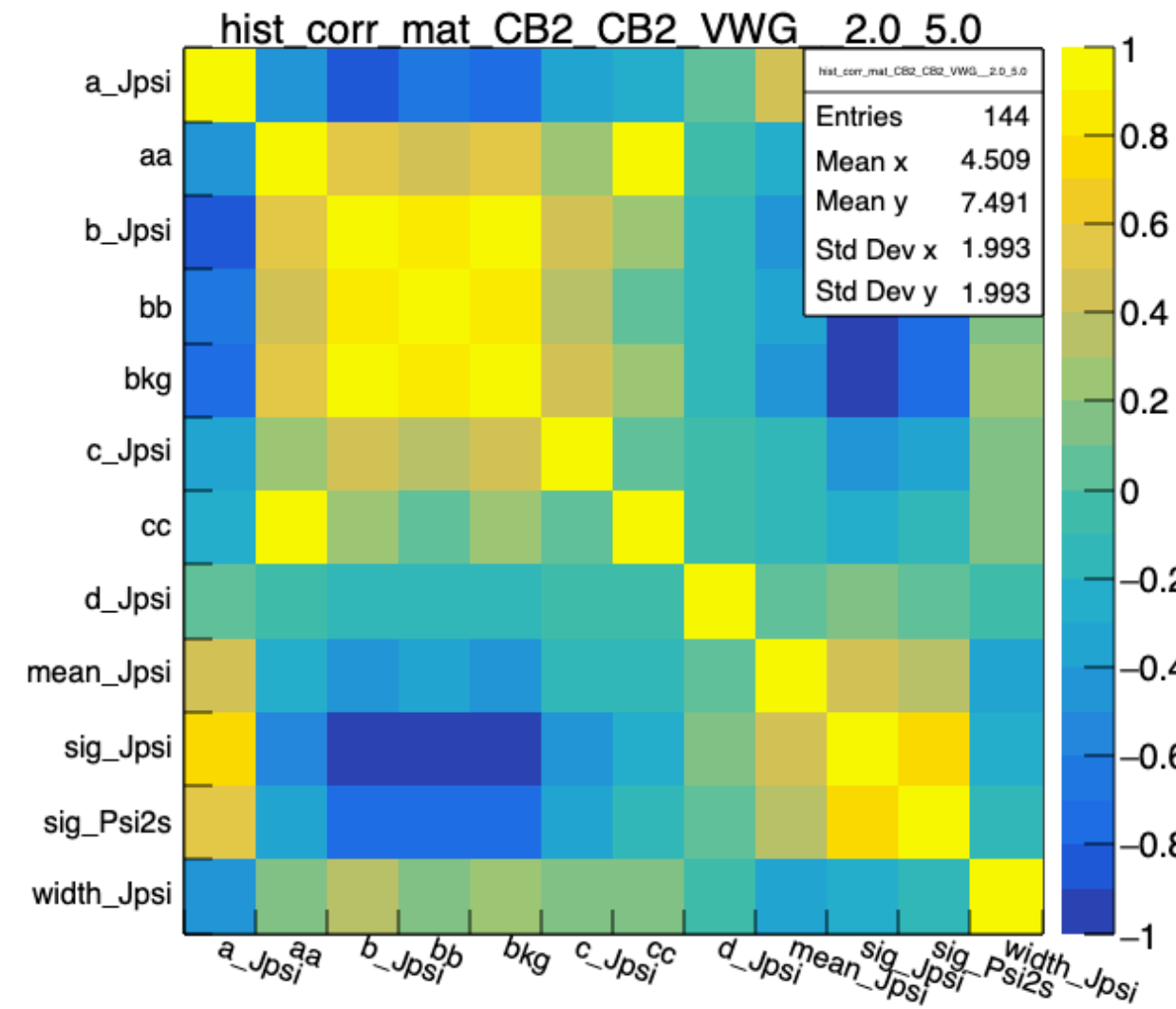
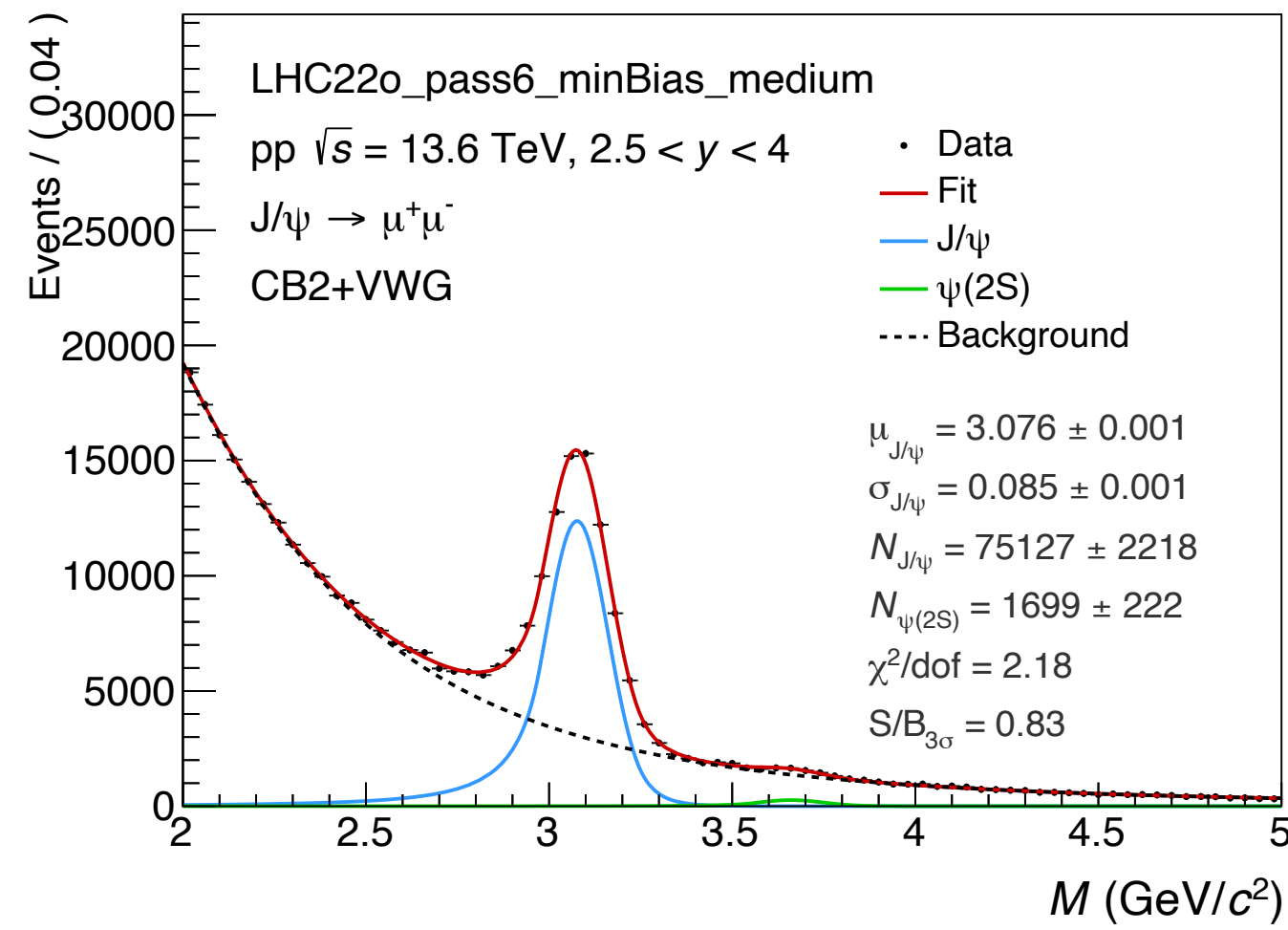
$$m_{\psi(2S)} = m_{J/\psi}^{FIT} + \Delta m^{PDG},$$

$$\Delta m^{PDG} = m_{\psi(2S)}^{PDG} - m_{J/\psi}^{PDG}$$

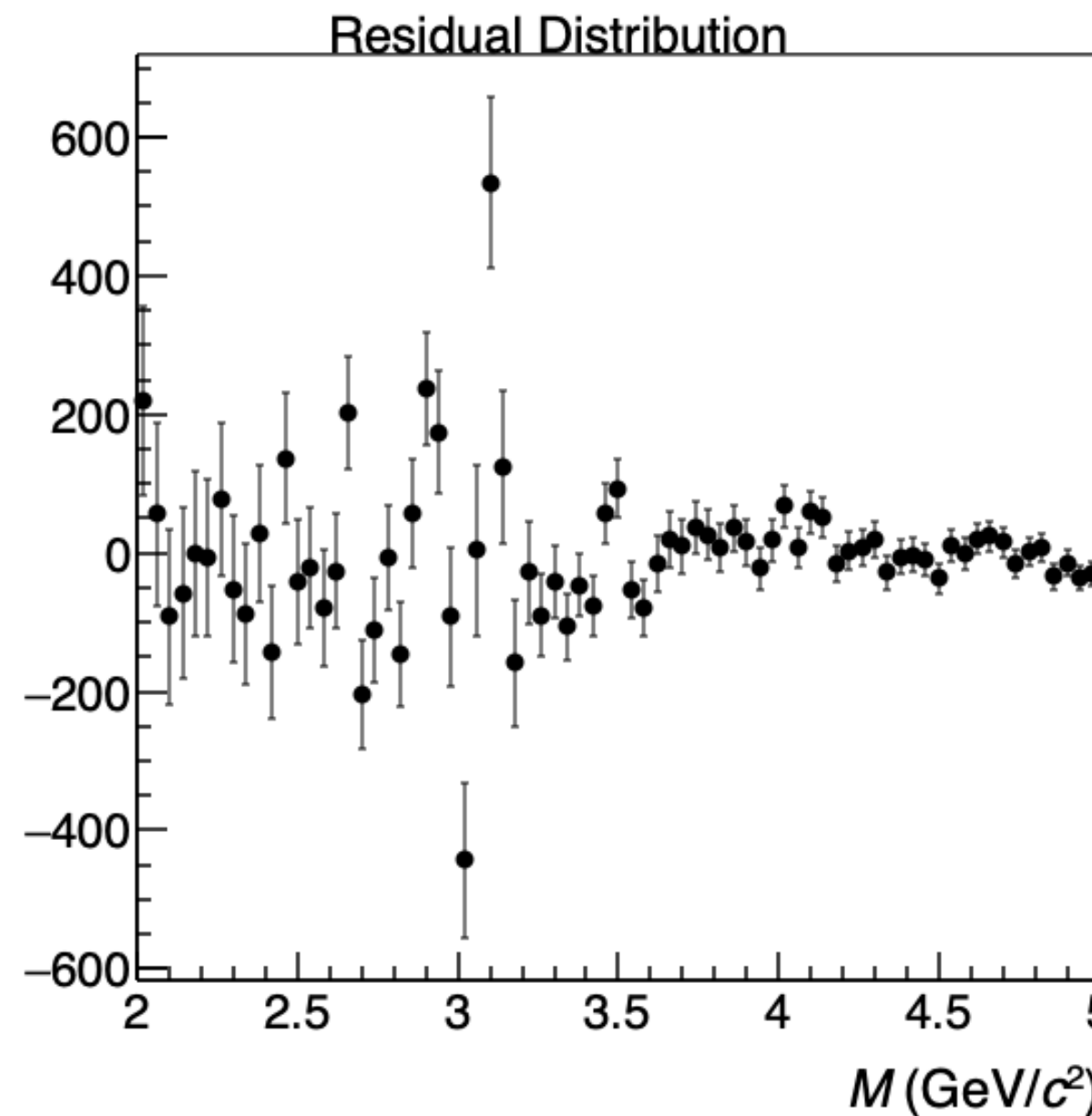
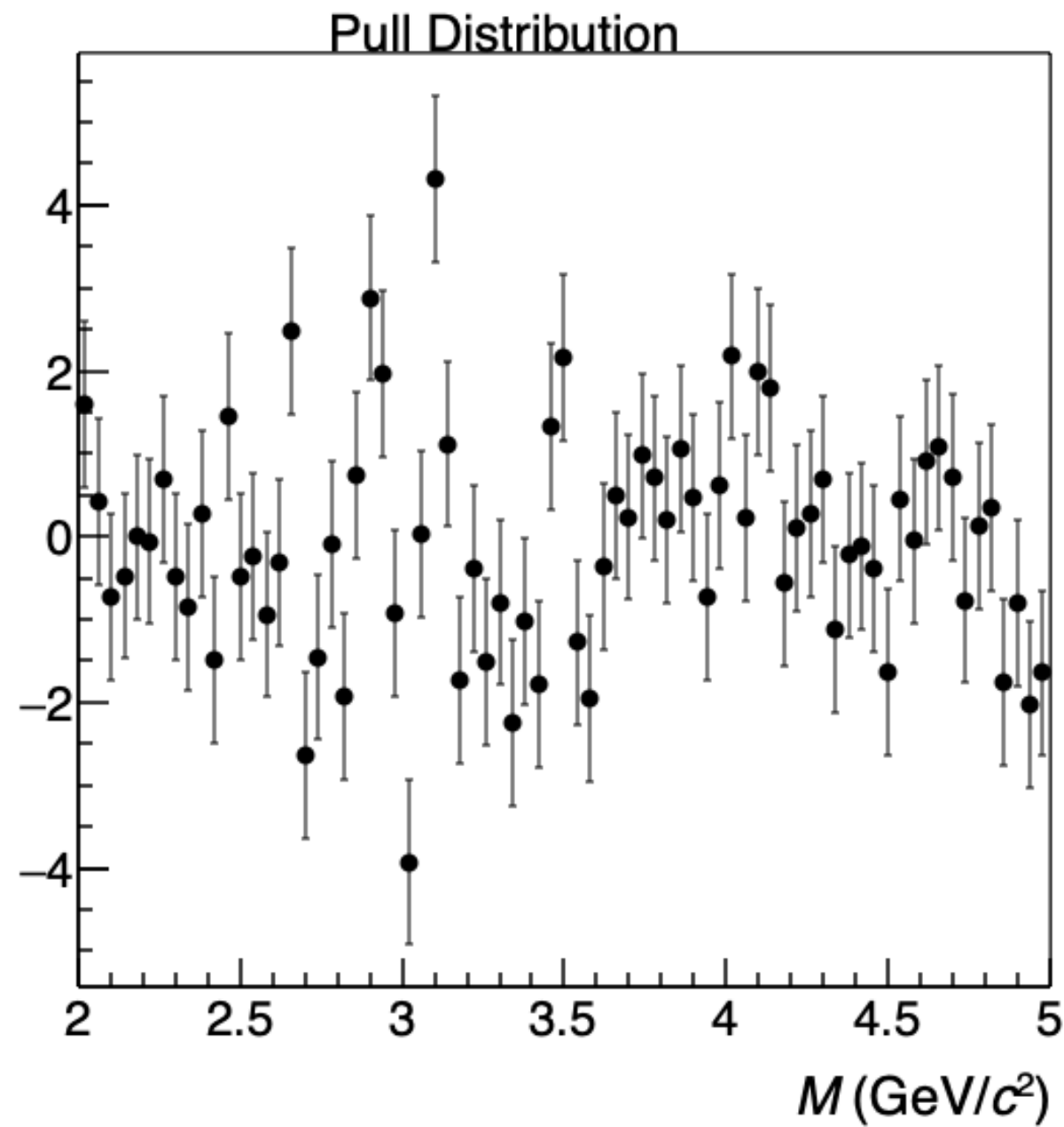
$$\sigma_{\psi(2S)} = \sigma_{J/\psi}^{FIT} \times \frac{\sigma_{\psi(2S)}^{MC}}{\sigma_{J/\psi}^{MC}}$$

- * Fitting is done through the Log Likelihood method
- * Fit is assumed to be a good fit once the Covariance matrix calculated successfully and the fit is converged with a message “covariance matrix quality: Full, accurate covariance matrix”

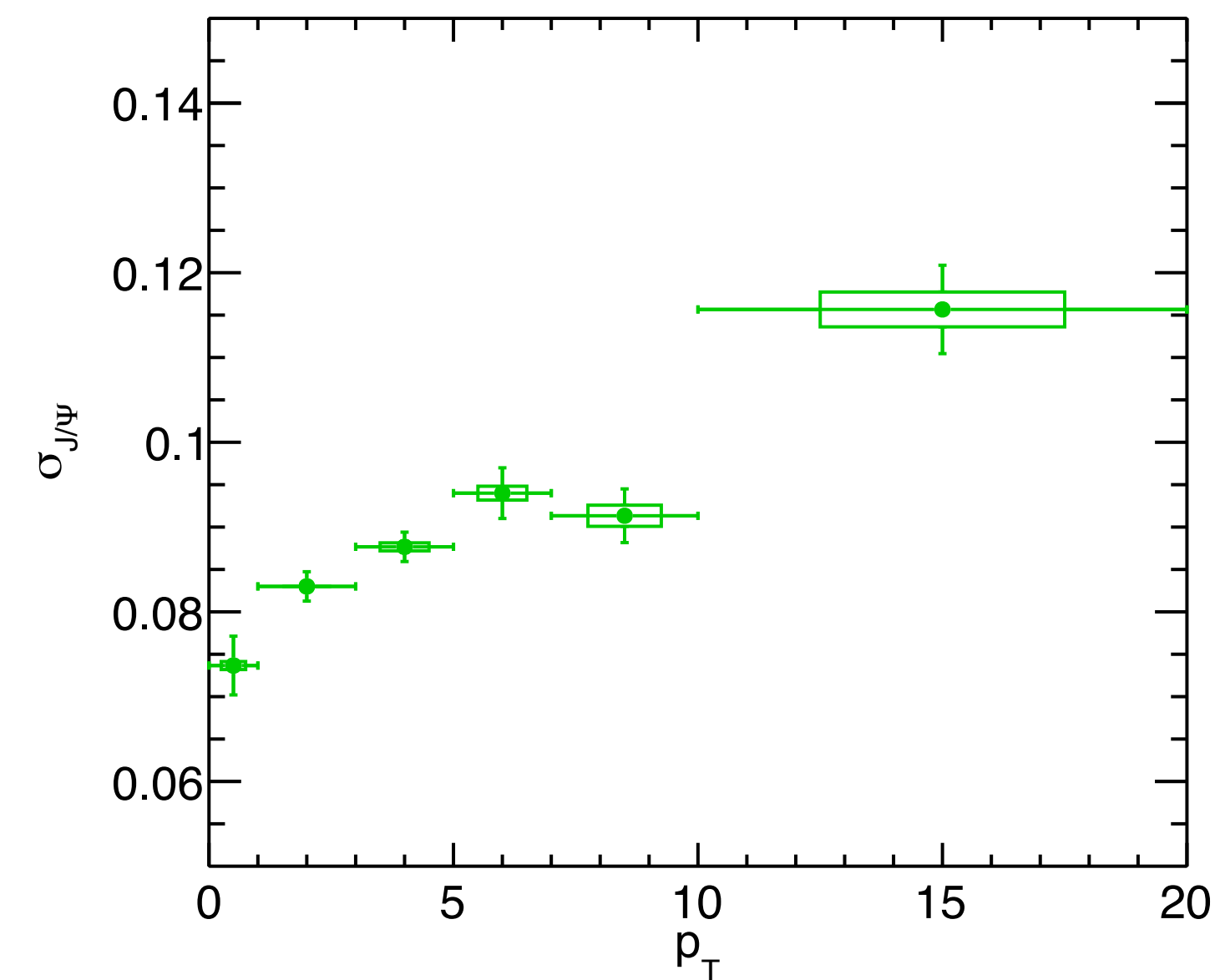
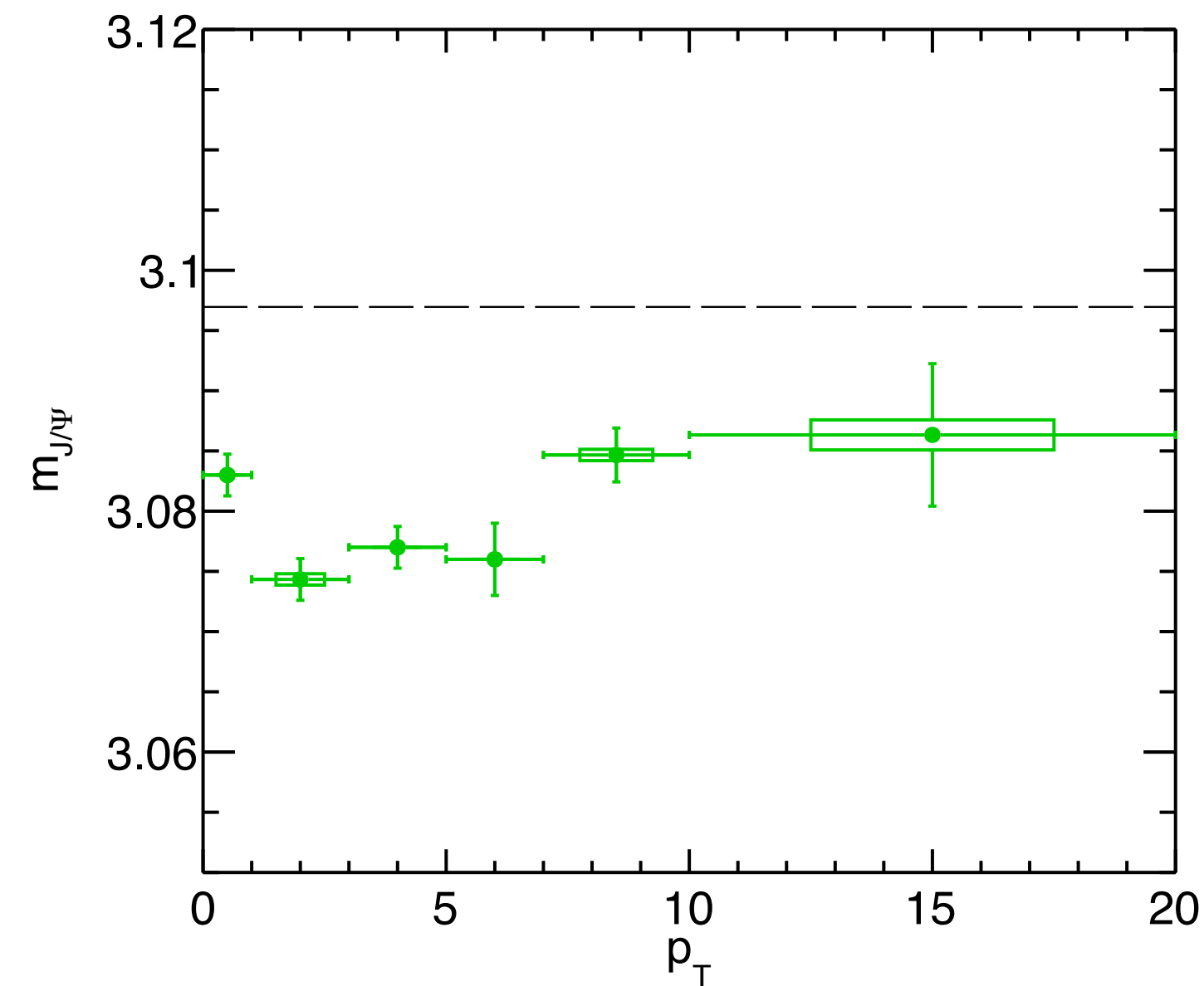
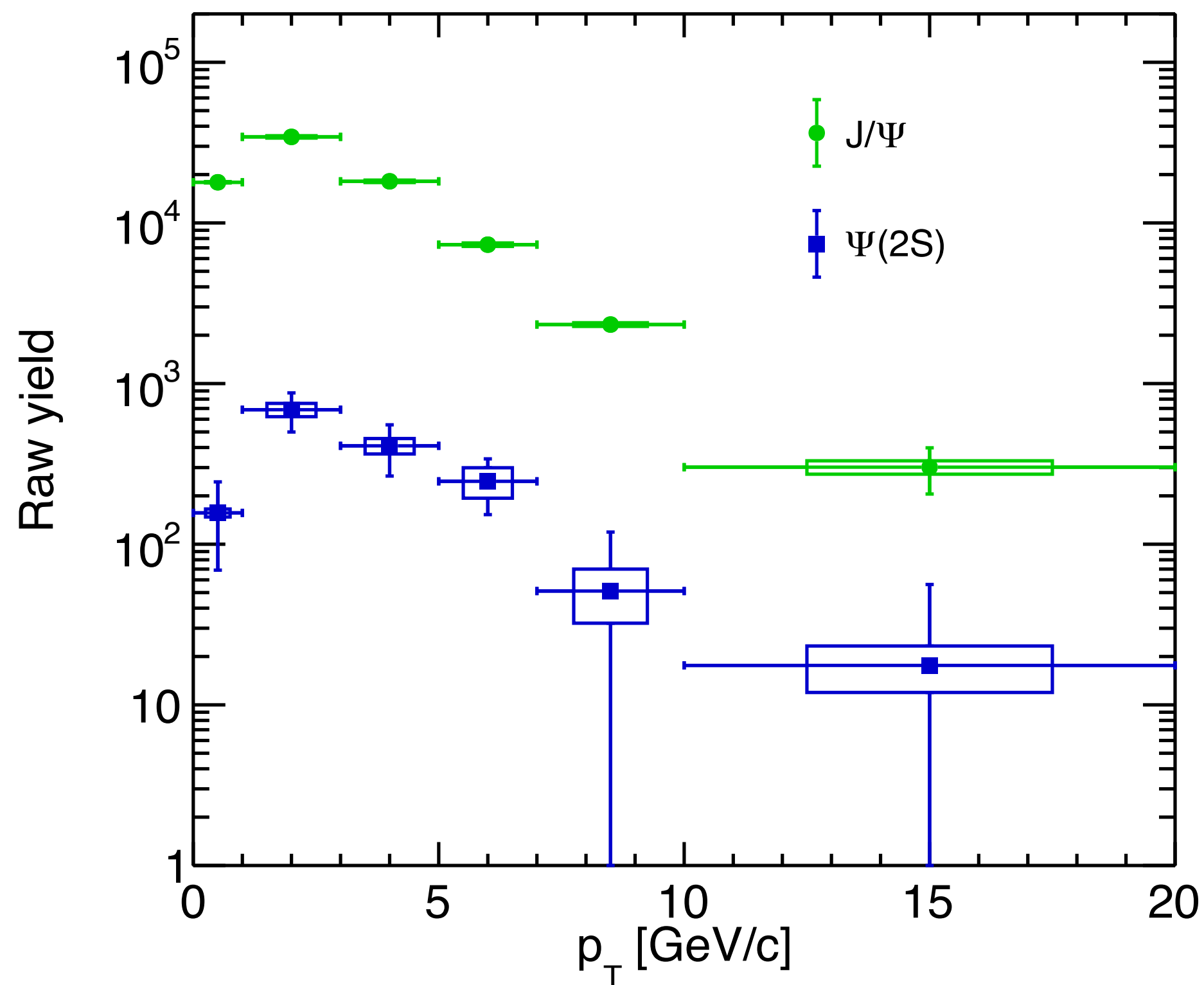
Quality of Fit: Correlation Matrix, Residual and Pull Distribution



- The correlation matrix suggest the diagonal elements are 100% correlated
- Residual Distribution
 - Differences between the observed and predicted values
- Pull distribution:
 - Normalized residuals that account the uncertainties of the observations
 - Used to describe the quality of fits



J/ψ and ψ(2S): p_T spectra



- J/ψ and ψ(2S) raw yield is obtained by analysing the p_T differential dimuon mass spectrum
- The J/ψ mass and resolution are compatible with the Run 3 Preliminary results
- Here, the systematic uncertainty is only due to different fitting ranges.
- The open box represent systematic and solid line represent the statistical uncertainty.

Fit Ranges

2.0 - 5.0 GeV/c²

2.2 - 4.8 GeV/c²

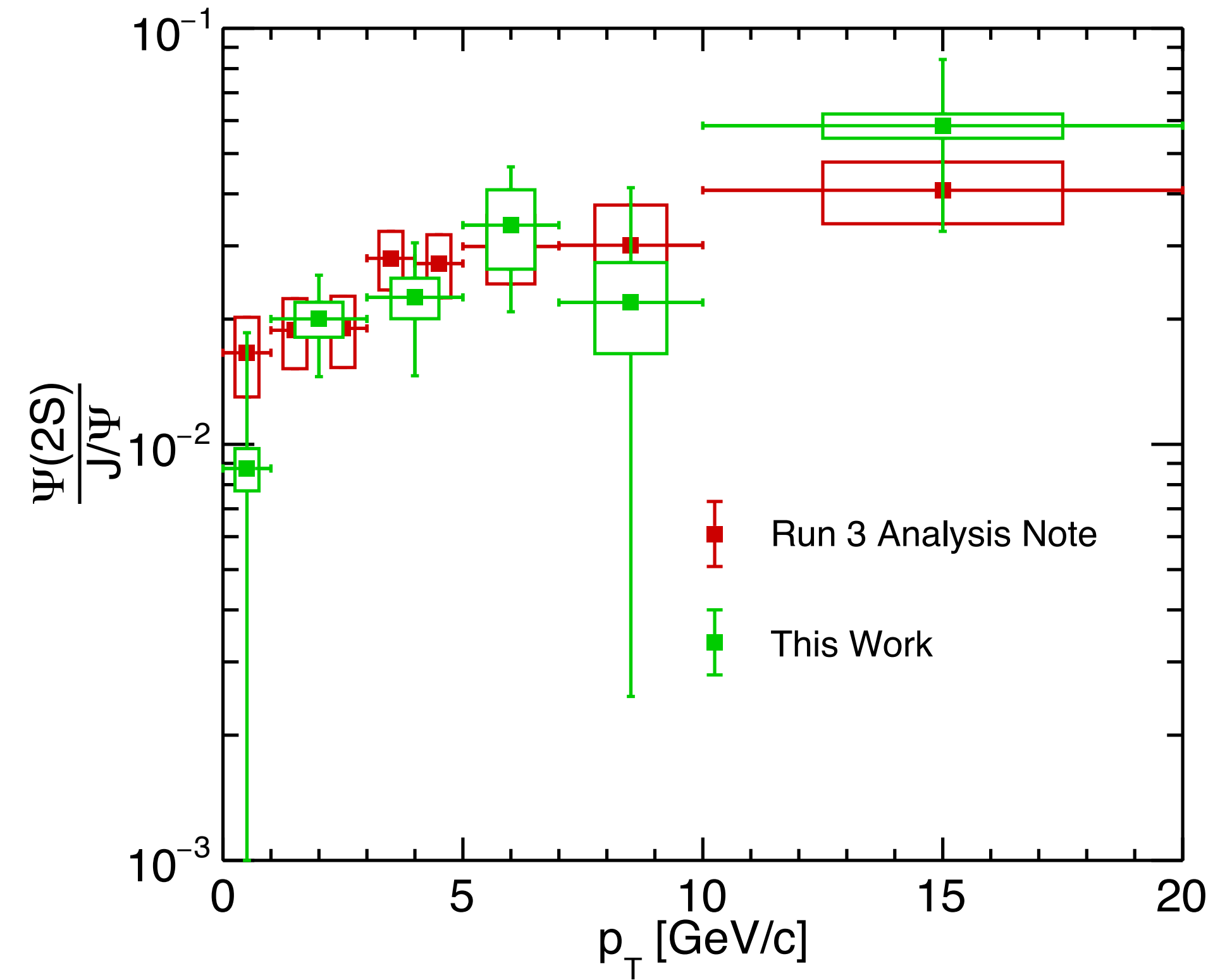
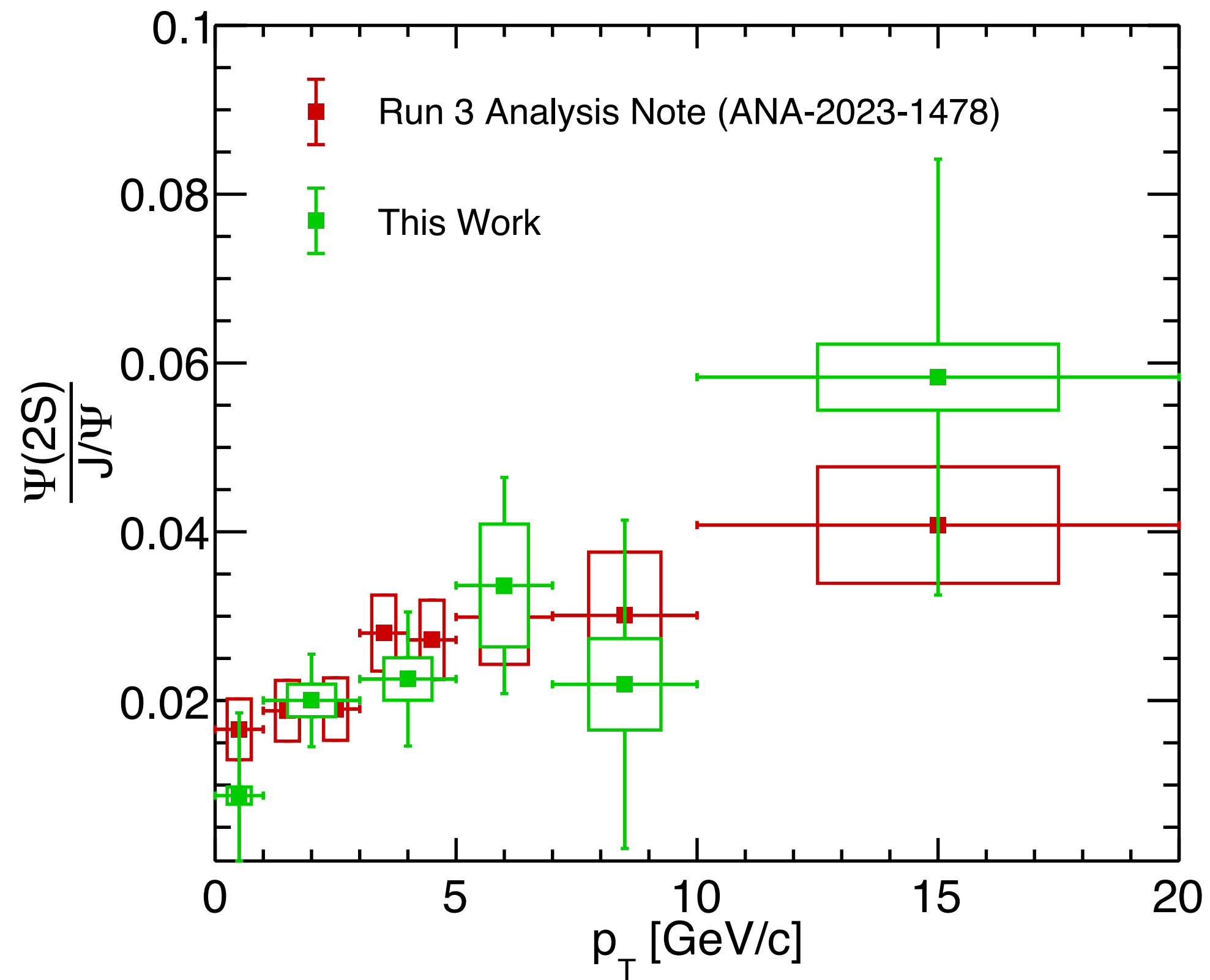
2.4 - 4.6 GeV/c²

$$\bar{\lambda} = \frac{\sum_j \lambda^j}{N}$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{\lambda}}^{stat} = \frac{\sum_j \sigma_{\lambda}^j}{N}$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{\lambda}}^{syst} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_j [\lambda^j - \bar{\lambda}]^2}{N}}$$

$\psi(2S)/J/\psi$ ratios



- $\psi(2S)/J/\psi$ ratios is almost compatible with the preliminary results within statistical uncertainties.
- Small discrepancy could be due to less statistics

p_T differential raw yield

- p_T differential raw yield

$p_T (GeV/c)$	$N_{J/\psi}$	$N_{\psi(2S)}$
0.00 - 1.00	$8953 \pm 291 \pm 172$	$79 \pm 87 \pm 9$
1.00 - 3.00	$34326 \pm 556 \pm 578$	$688 \pm 188 \pm 65$
3.00 - 5.00	$18158 \pm 389 \pm 320$	$410 \pm 144 \pm 45$
5.00 - 7.00	$7323 \pm 224 \pm 181$	$246 \pm 93 \pm 53$
7.00 - 10.00	$3495 \pm 150 \pm 61$	$77 \pm 68 \pm 19$
10.00 - 20.00	$1509 \pm 96 \pm 29$	$88 \pm 38 \pm 6$
Sum	73764 ± 6841	1588

- p_T integrated raw yield

$p_T (GeV/c)$	$N_{J/\psi}$	$N_{\psi(2S)}$
0.00 - 20.00	73795 ± 3950	1526 ± 330

Fit Ranges

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2.4 - 4.6 GeV/c²

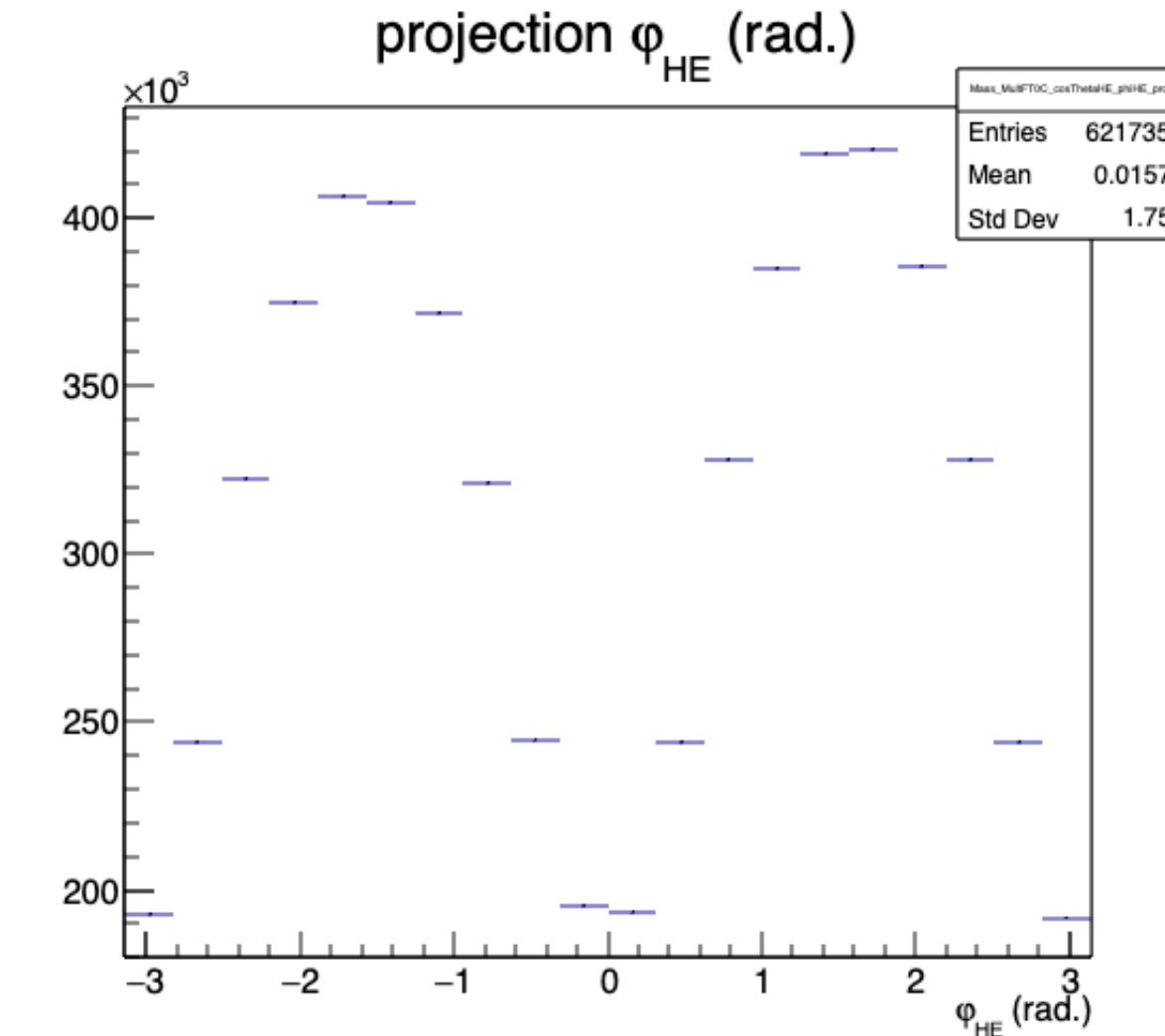
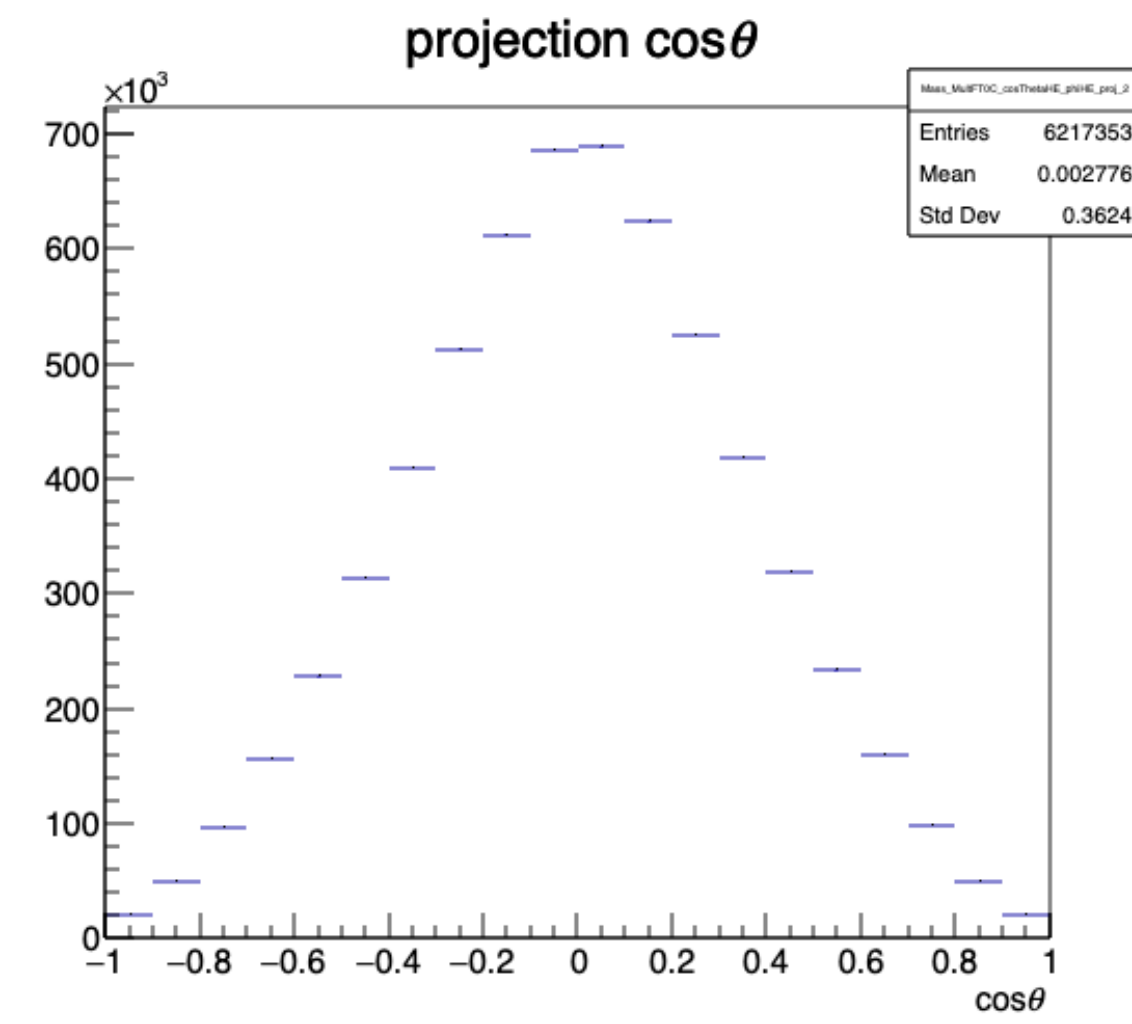
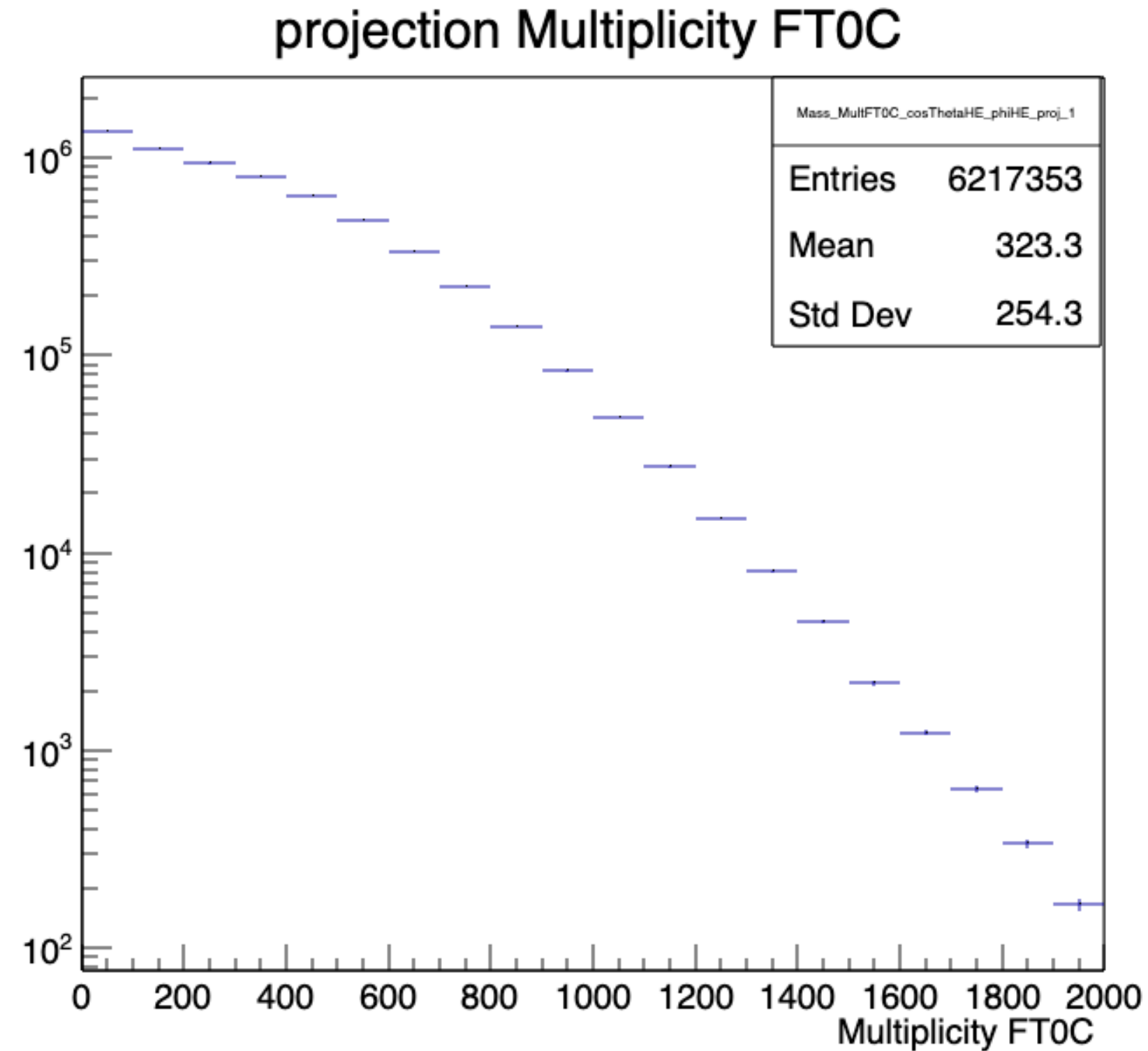
- The first uncertainty is statistical, the second is the systematics associated to the signal extraction
- The p_T differential raw yield is obtained by averaging the yield from three different fit ranges
- The sum of p_T differential raw yield agrees with the integrated one within uncertainty

Multiplicity Distribution (Run 3 Configuration)

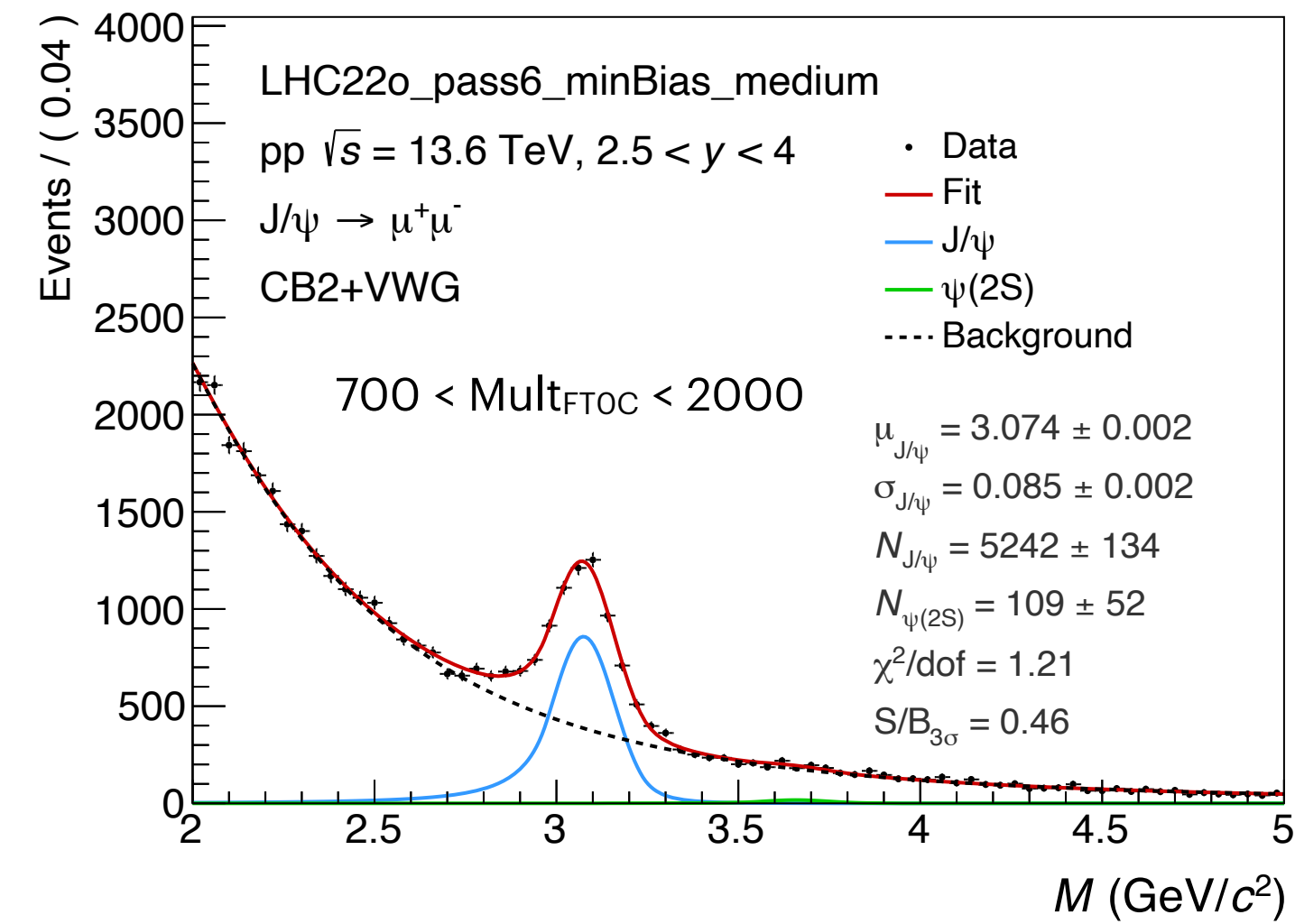
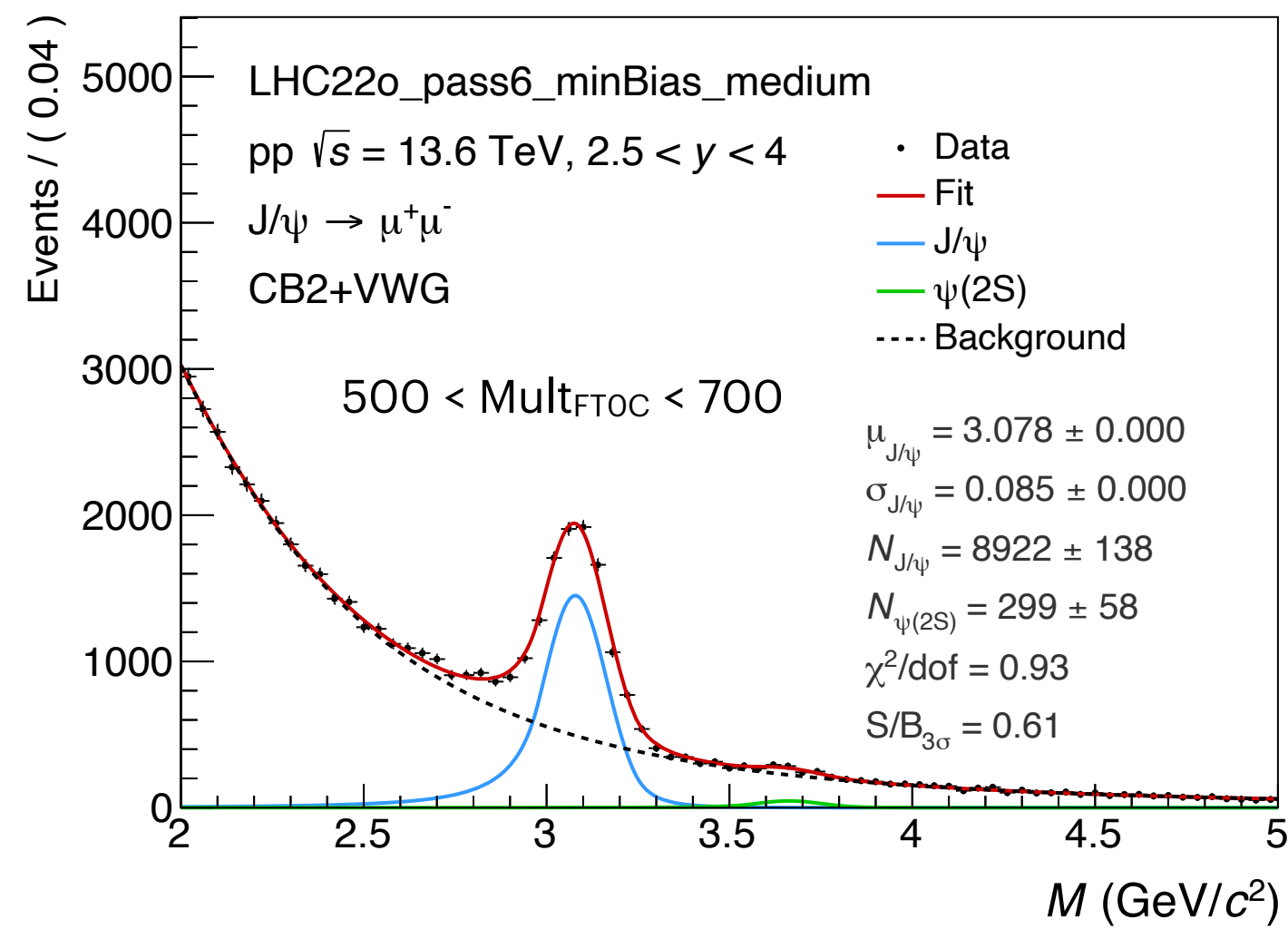
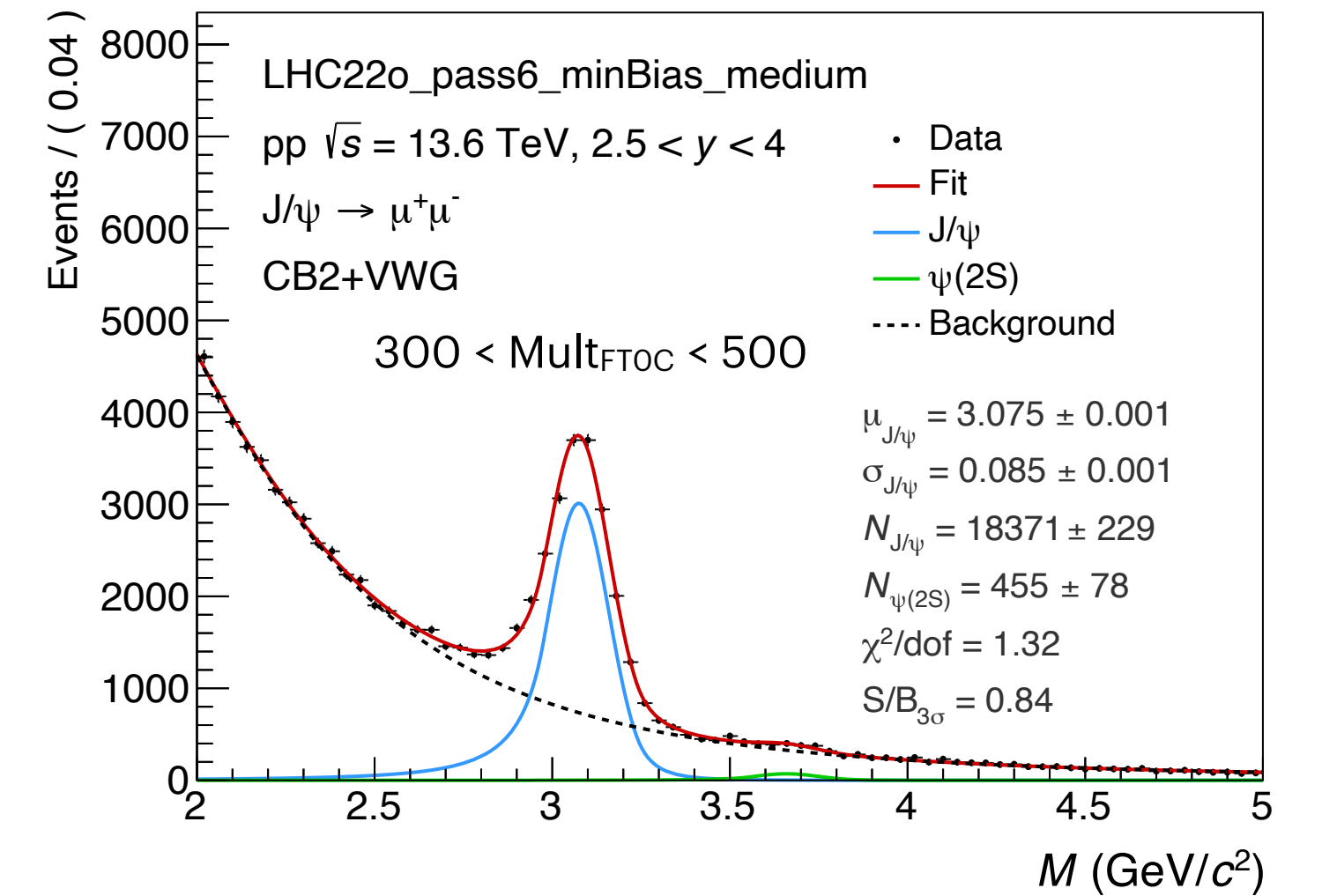
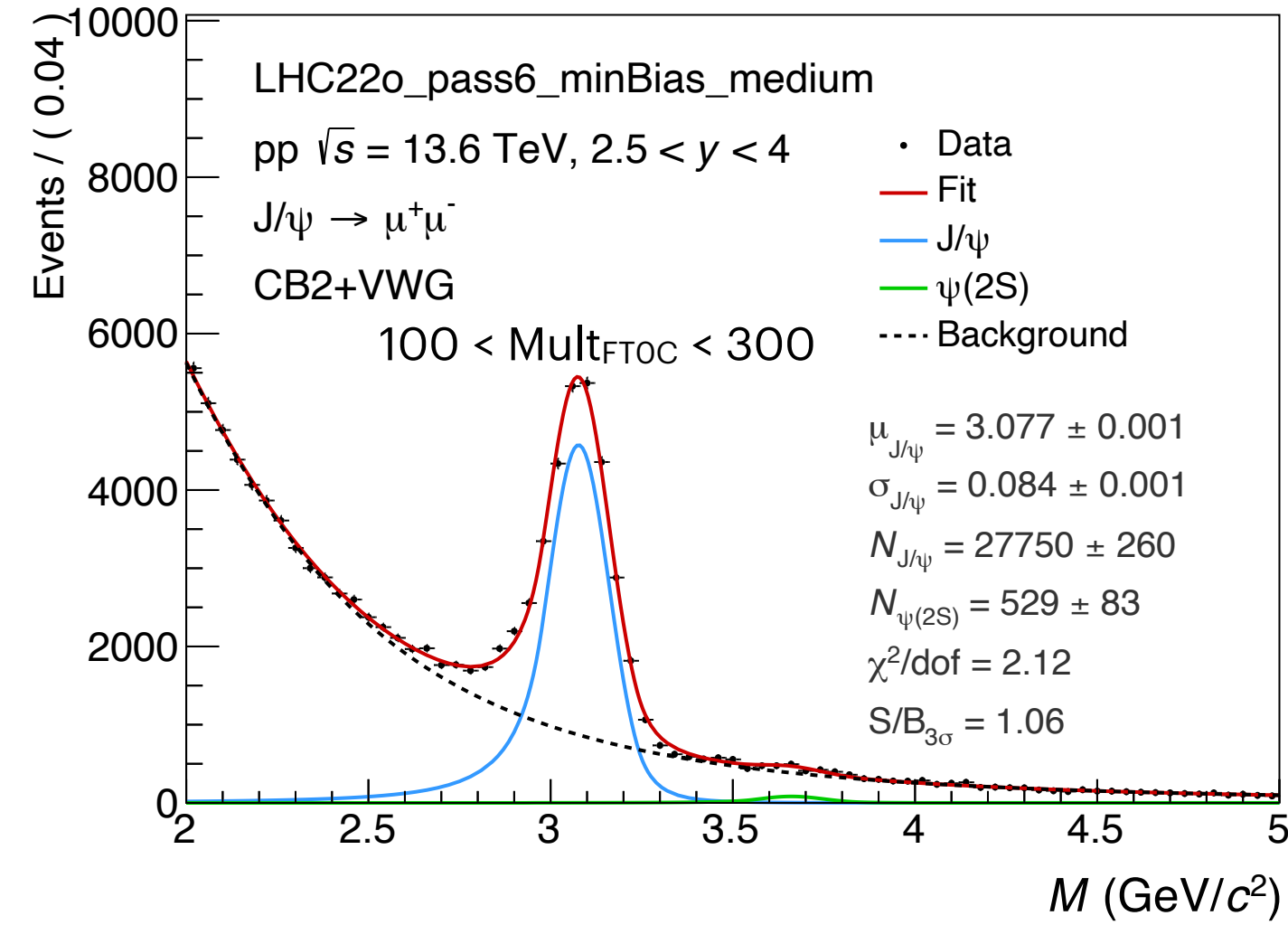
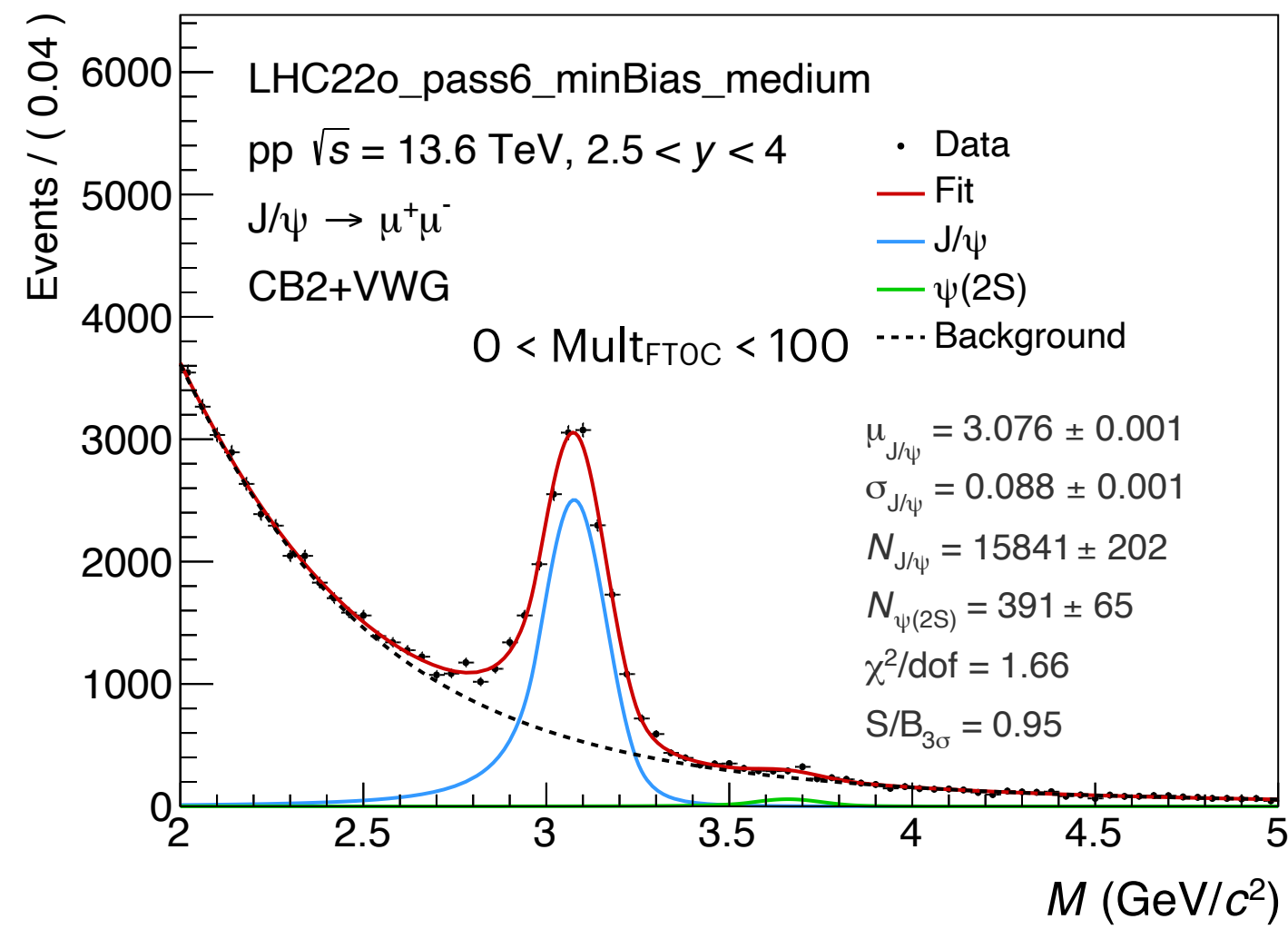
- The global detector FIT is used to determine collision centrality, collision time and particle multiplicity in Run 3 configuration
- FIT consists of FT0, FV0, FDD ranging from -19.5m to 17m from the interaction point (IP)
- Currently, FT0C detector of FT0 is used for centrality and multiplicity estimation in Pb-Pb and pp, respectively
- In this study, we used the FT0C multiplicity for our analysis

Draw Option: [v]

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Signal Extraction: Multiplicity differential (Fit range: 2.0 - 5.0 GeV/c²)



Multiplicity differential raw yield

- Multiplicity differential raw yield**

Mult_{FT0C}	$N_{J/\psi}$	$N_{\psi(2S)}$
0 - 100	15841 \pm 202	391 \pm 65
100 - 300	27750 \pm 260	529 \pm 83
300 - 500	18371 \pm 229	455 \pm 78
500 - 700	8922 \pm 138	299 \pm 58
700 - 2000	5242 \pm 134	109 \pm 52
Sum	76126 \pm 2743	1783 \pm 1050

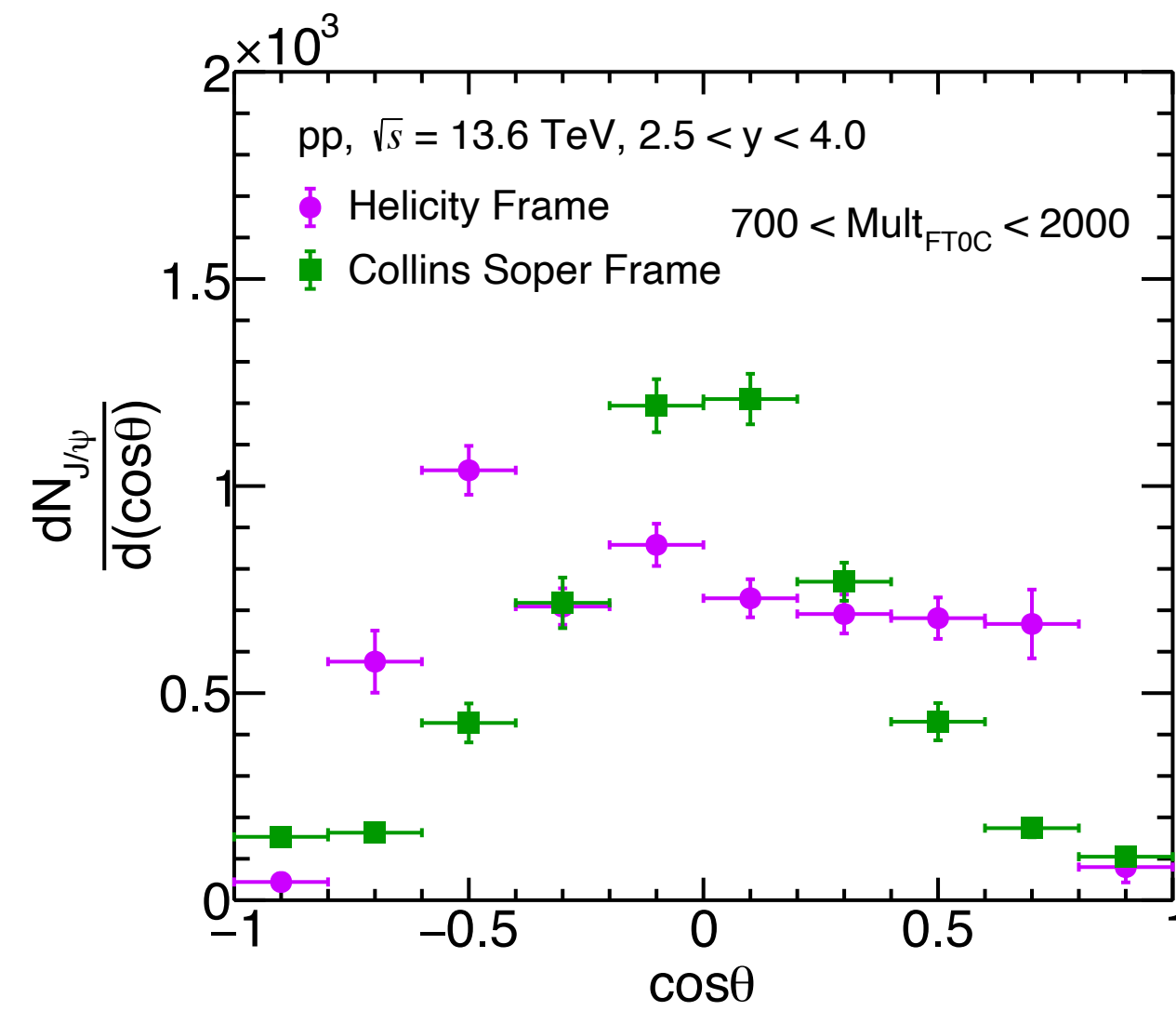
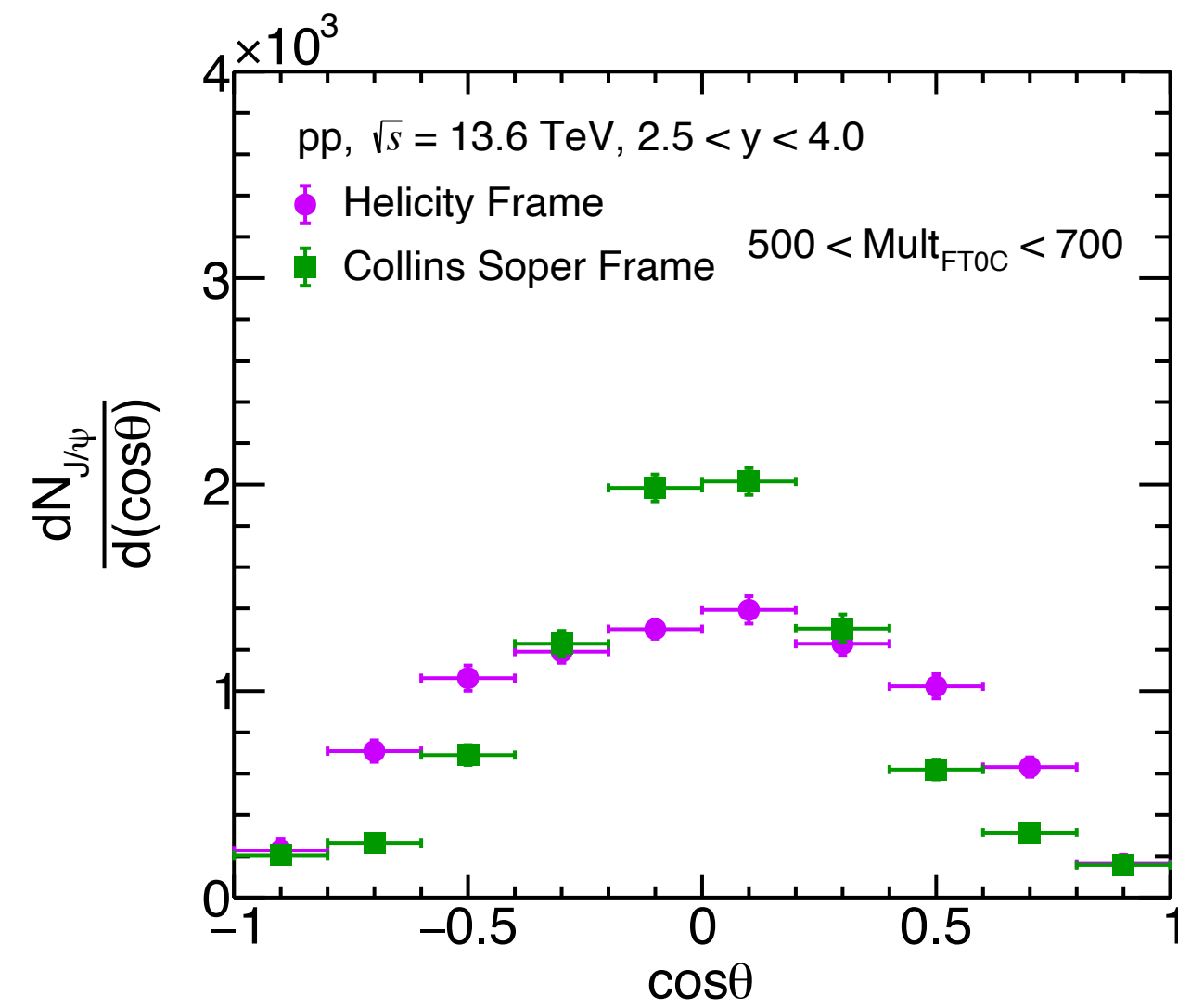
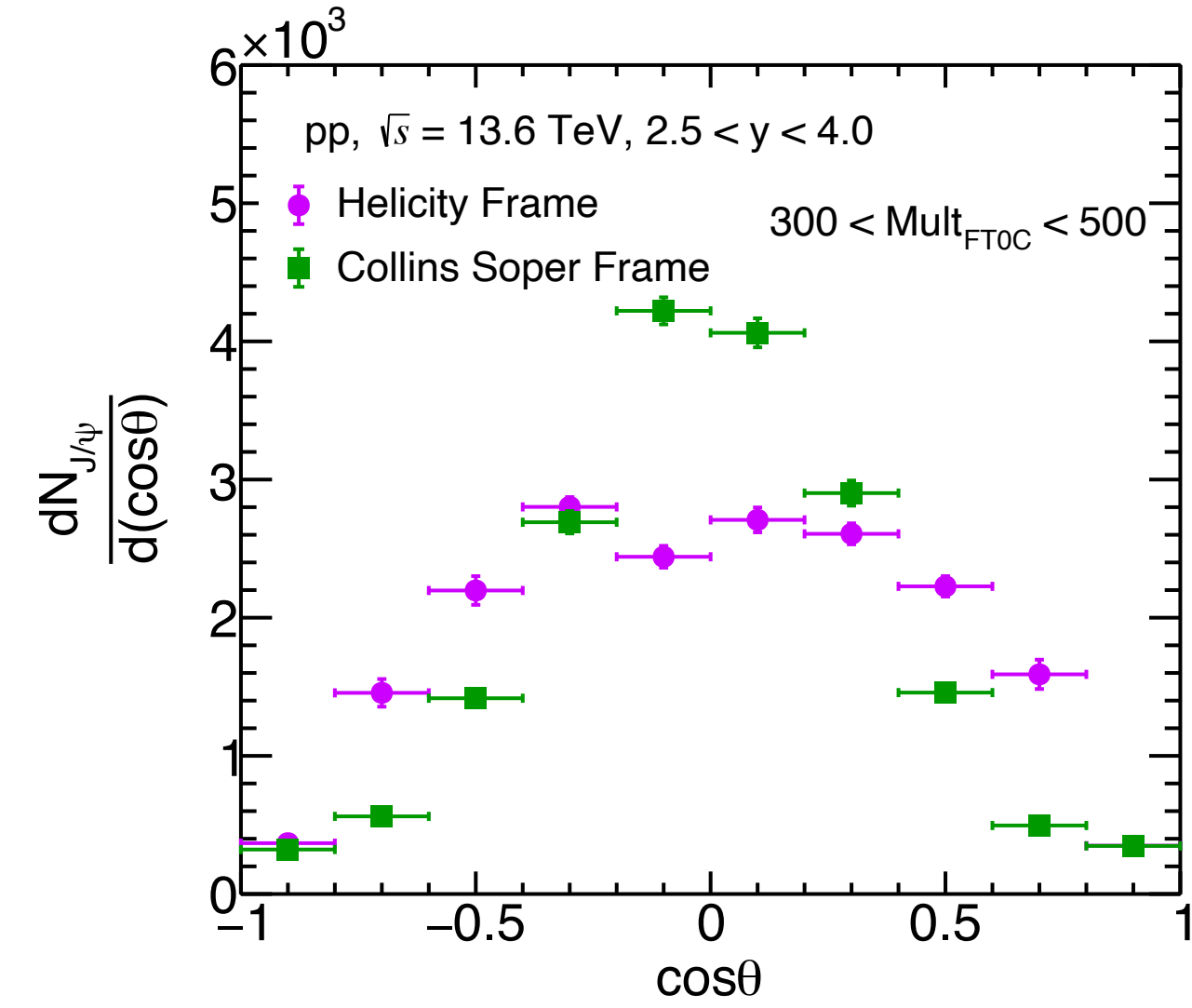
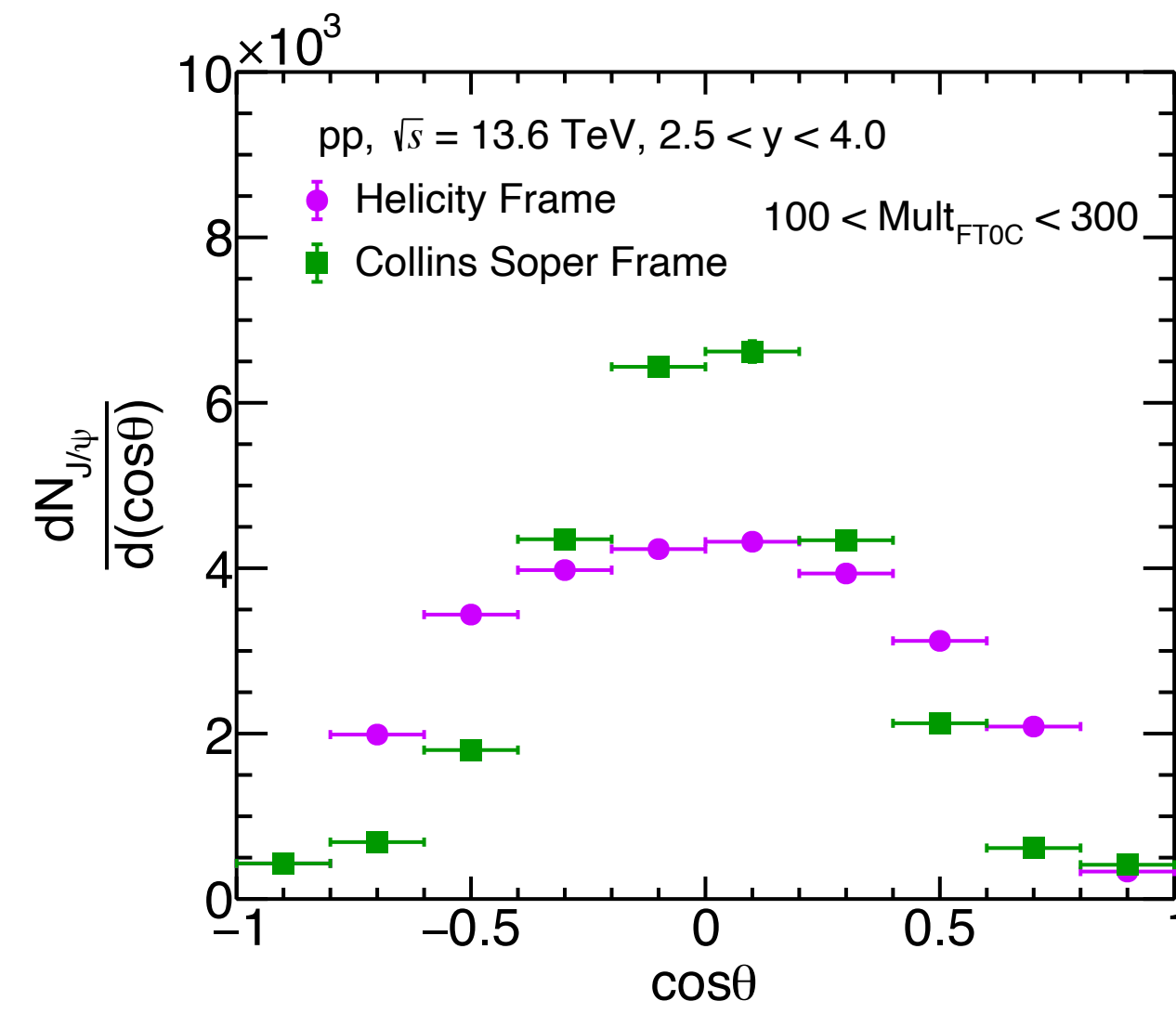
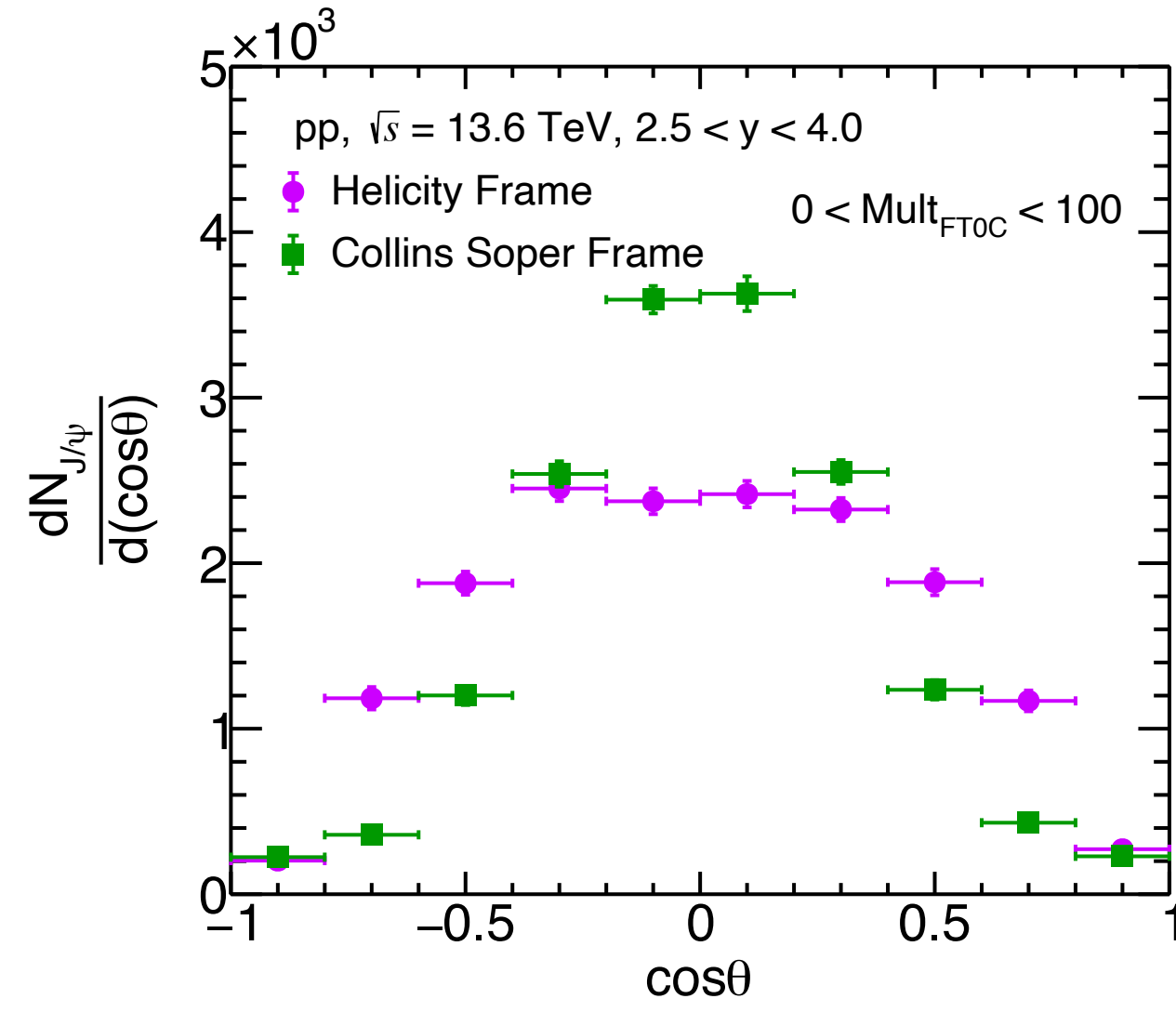
- Multiplicity integrated raw yield**

Mult_{FT0C}	$N_{J/\psi}$	$N_{\psi(2S)}$
0 - 2000	76168 \pm 1473	1838 \pm 177

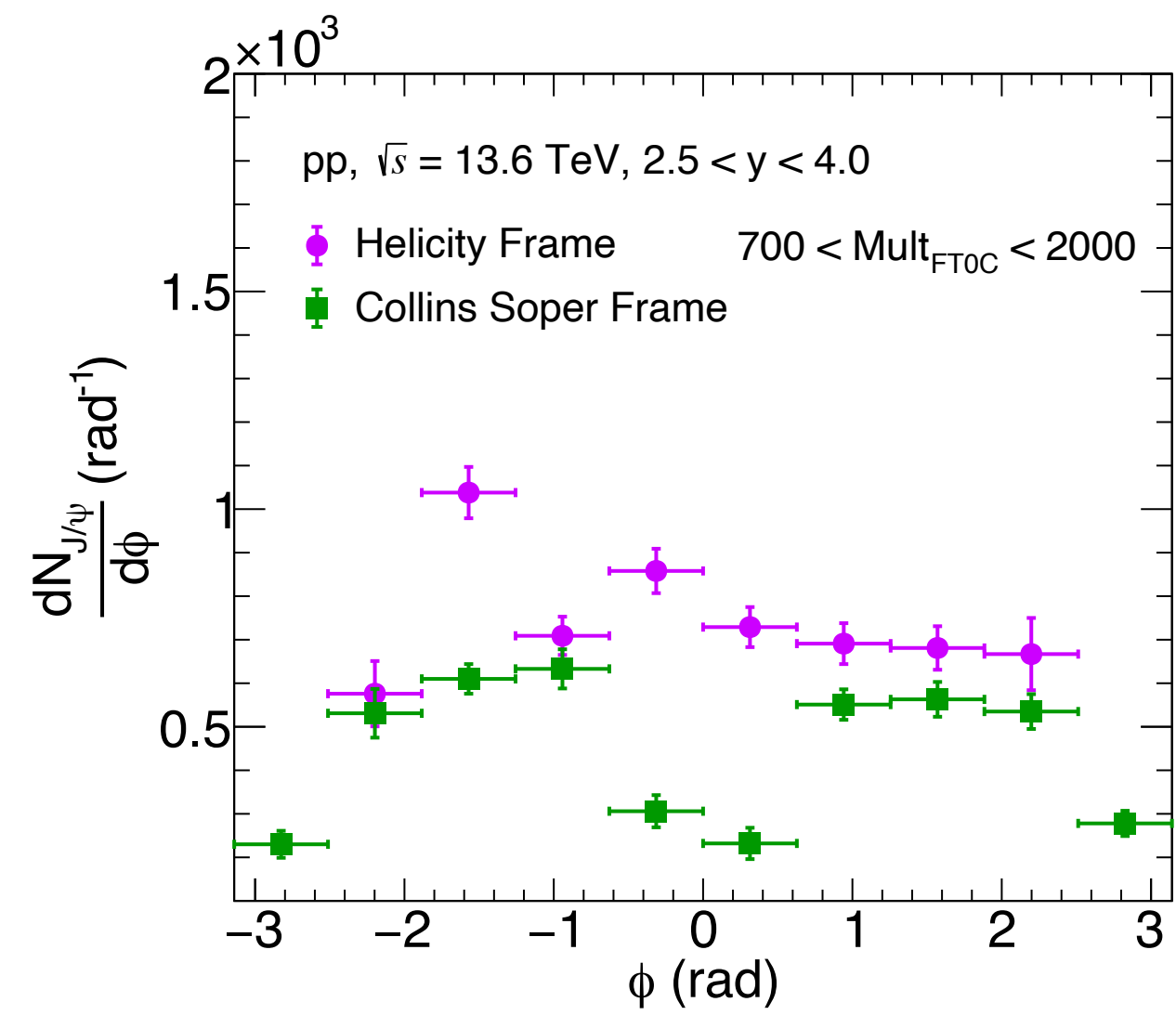
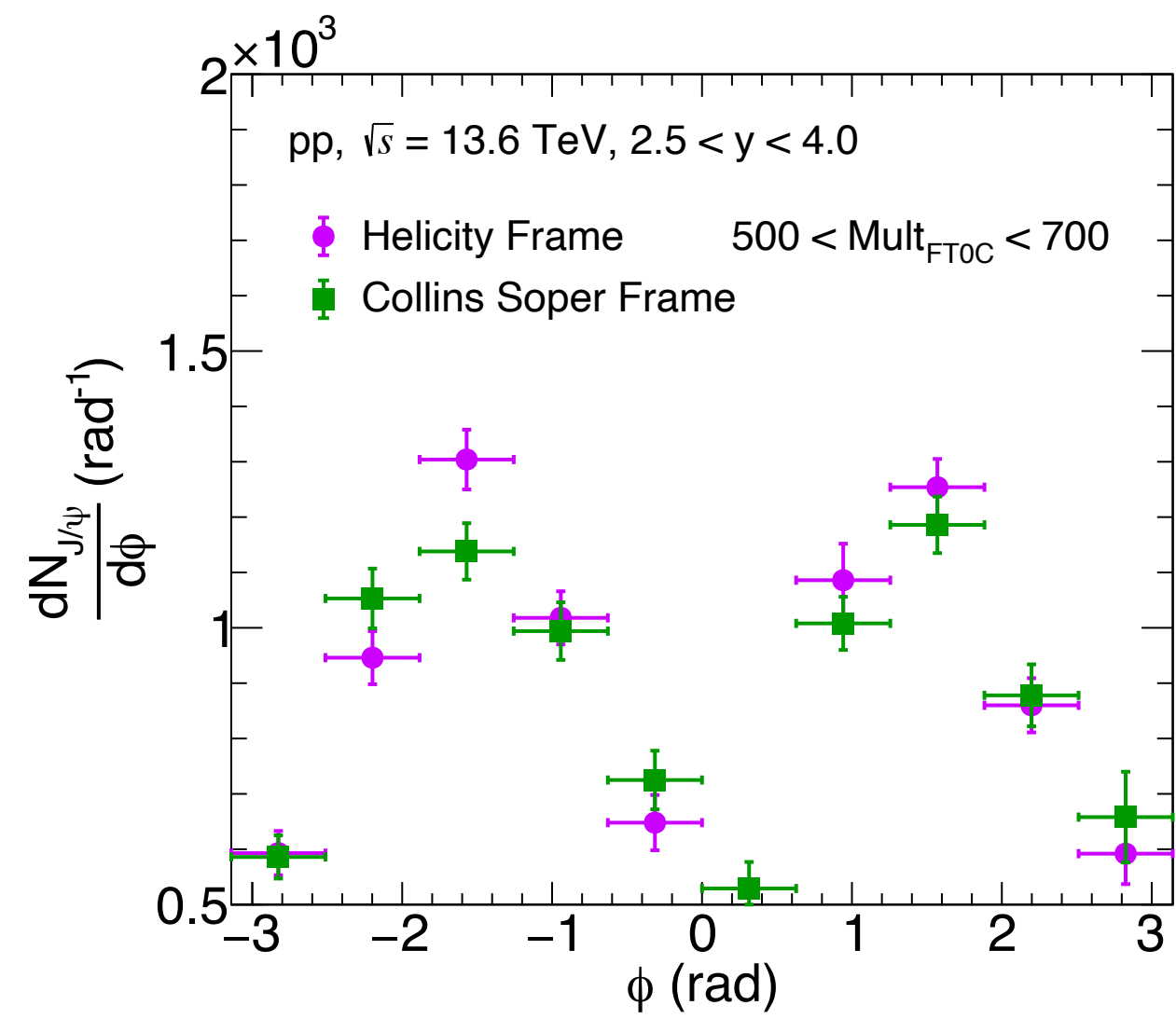
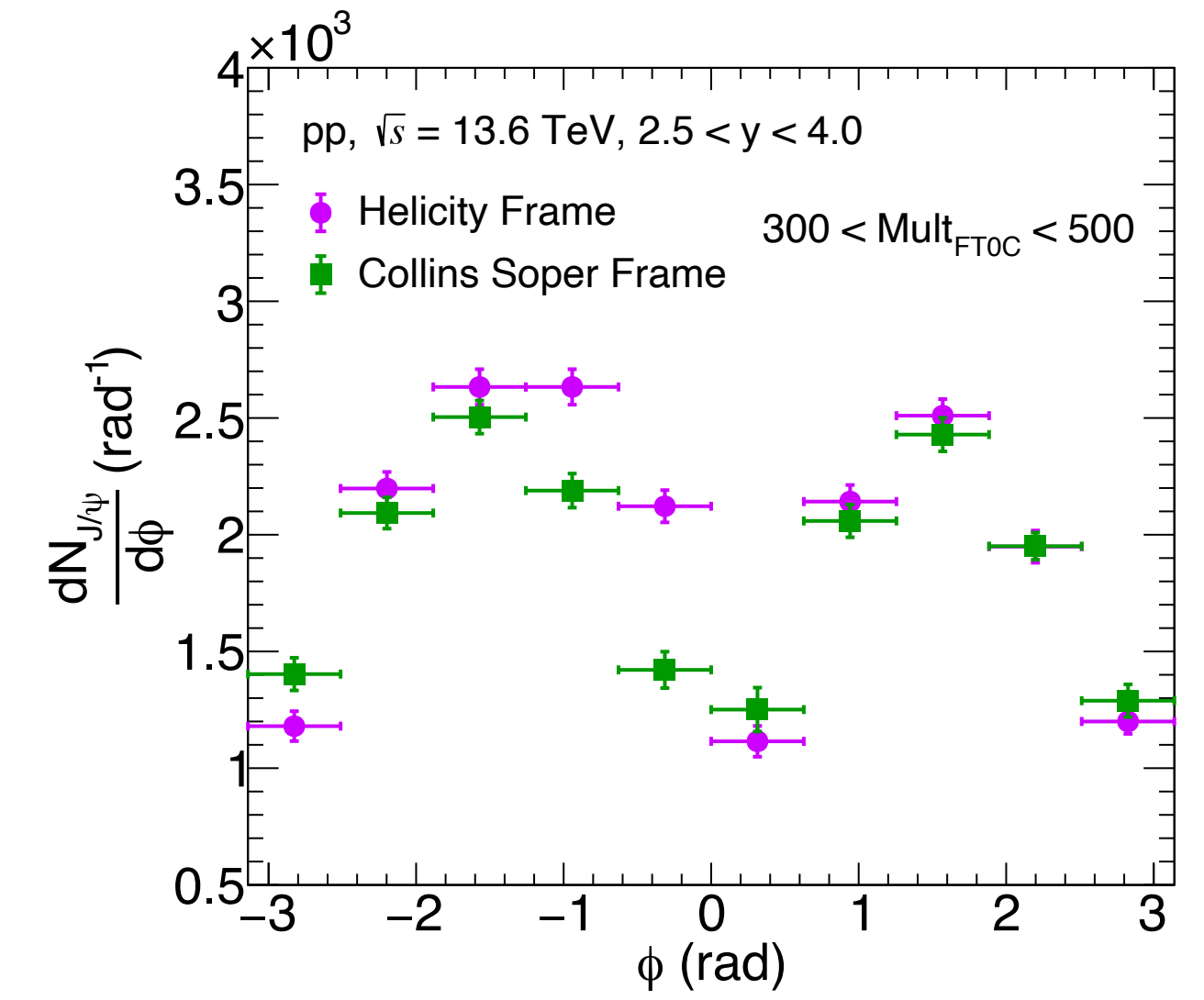
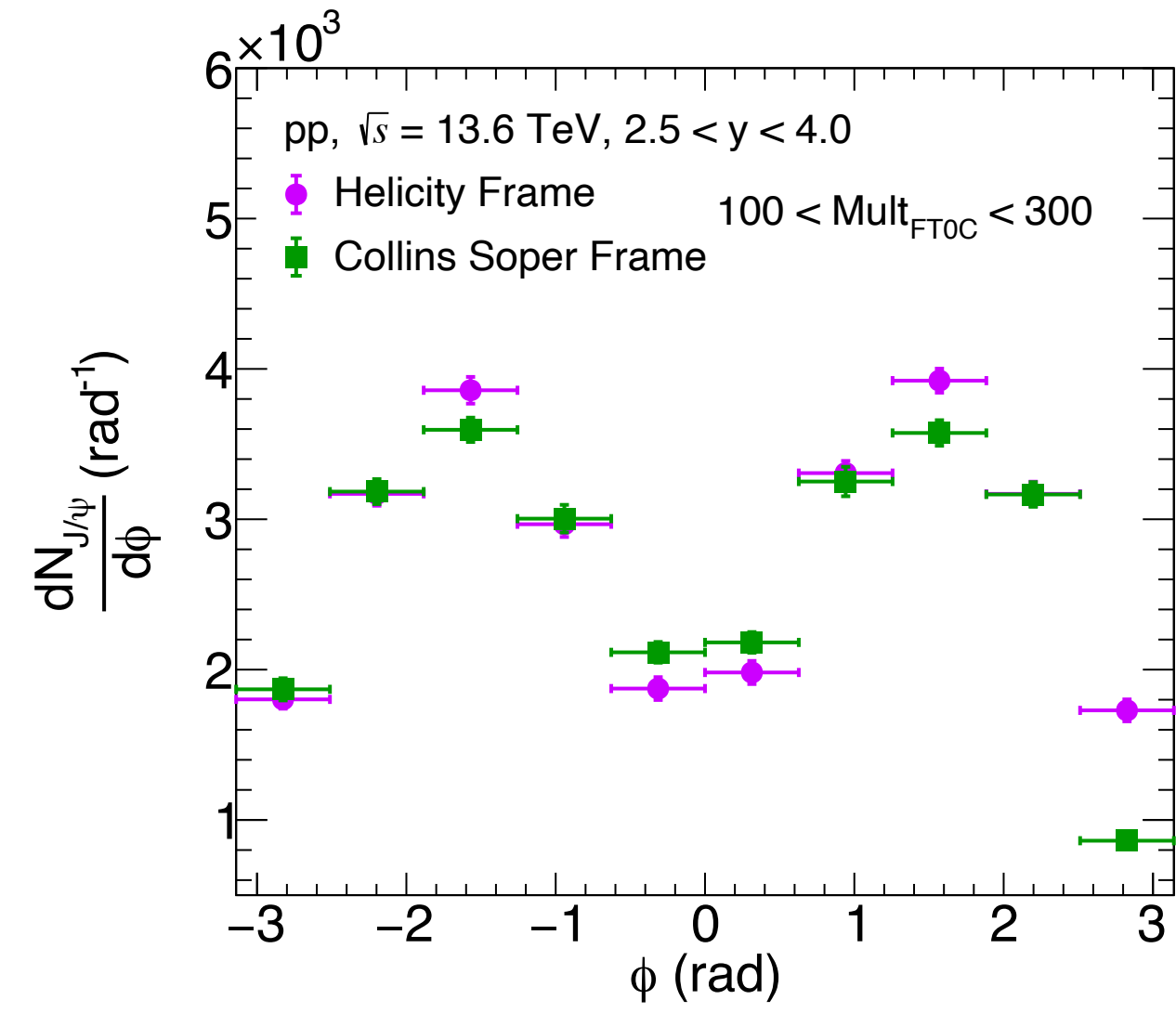
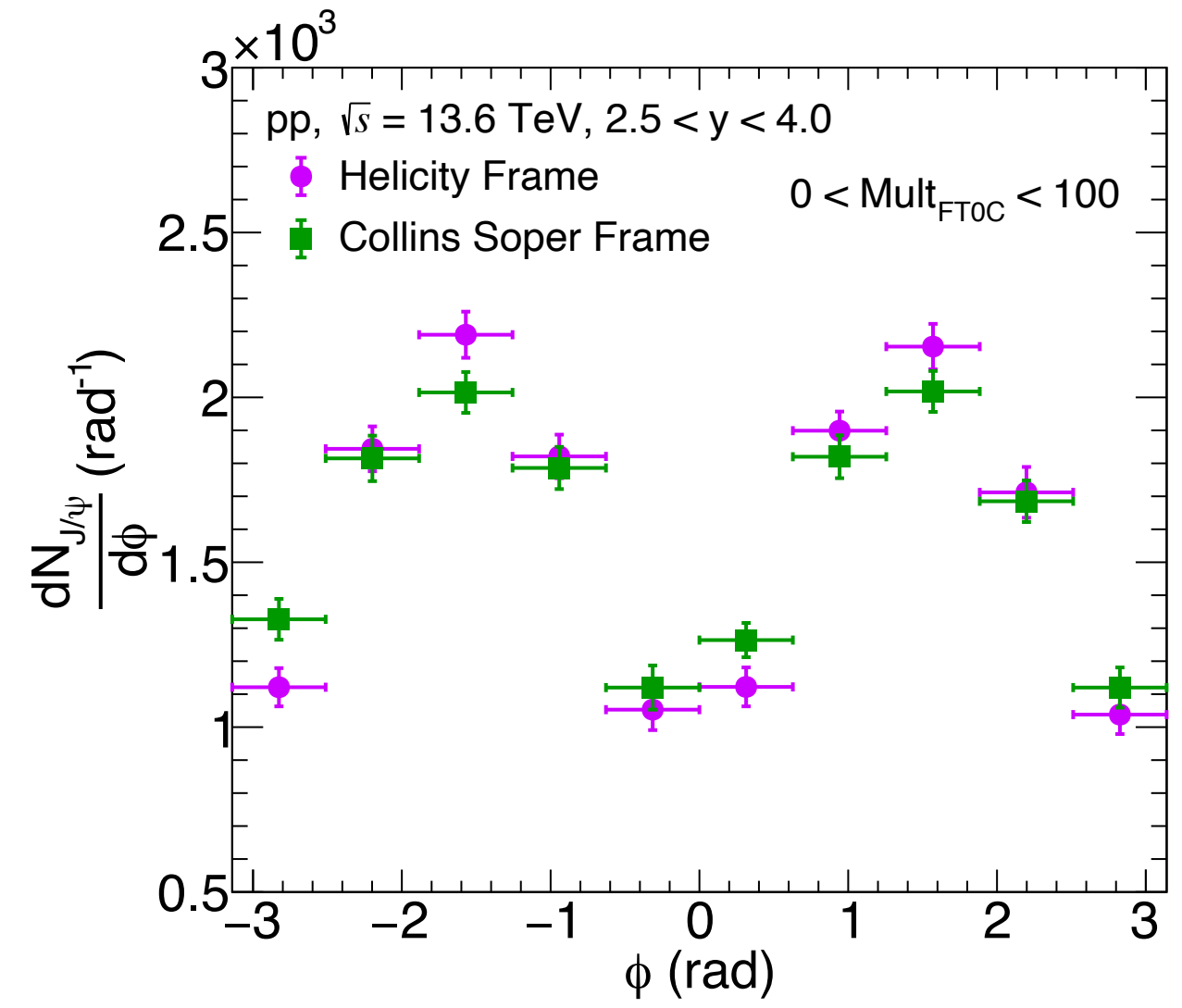
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- The sum of multiplicity differential raw yield agrees with the integrated one within uncertainty

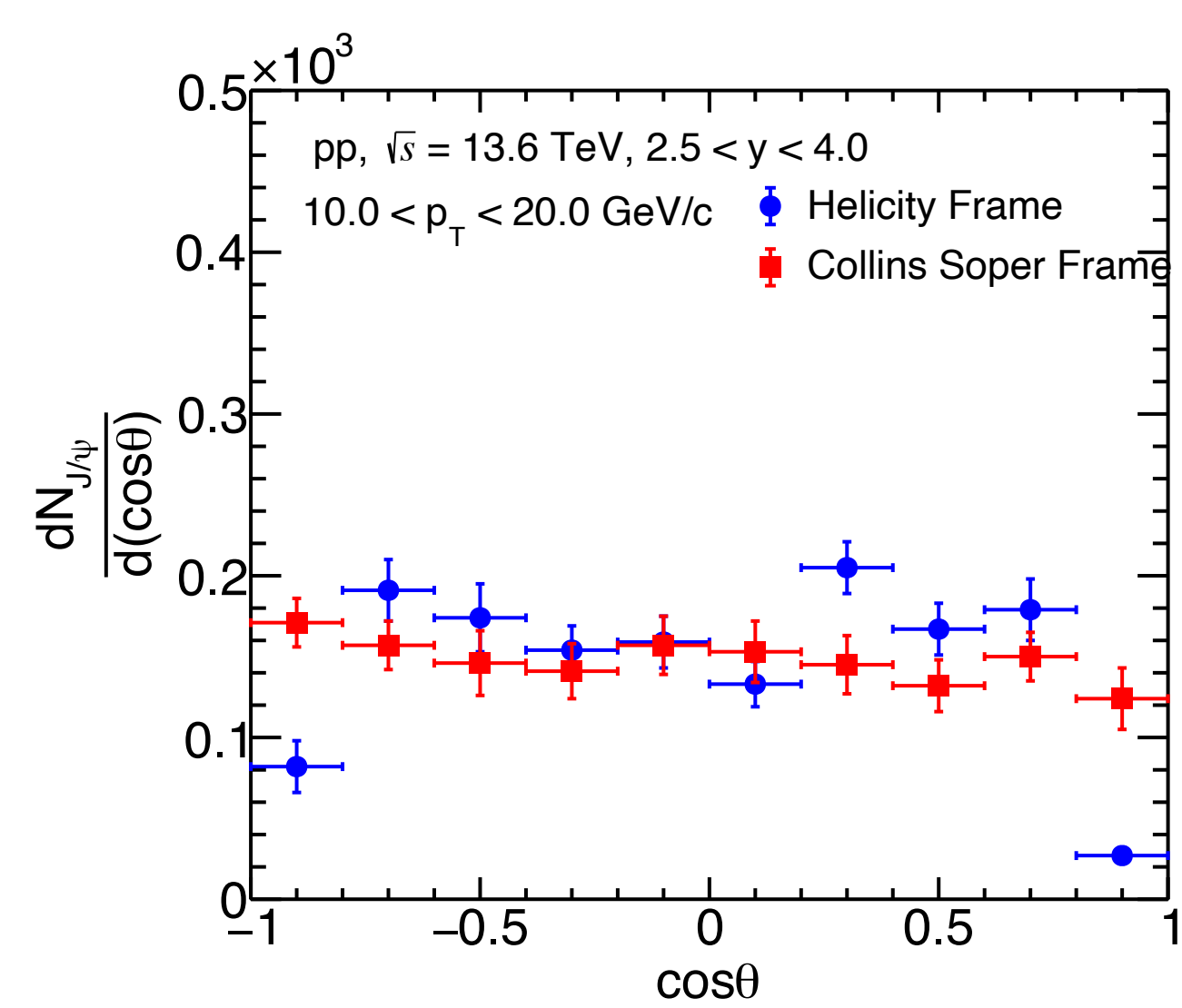
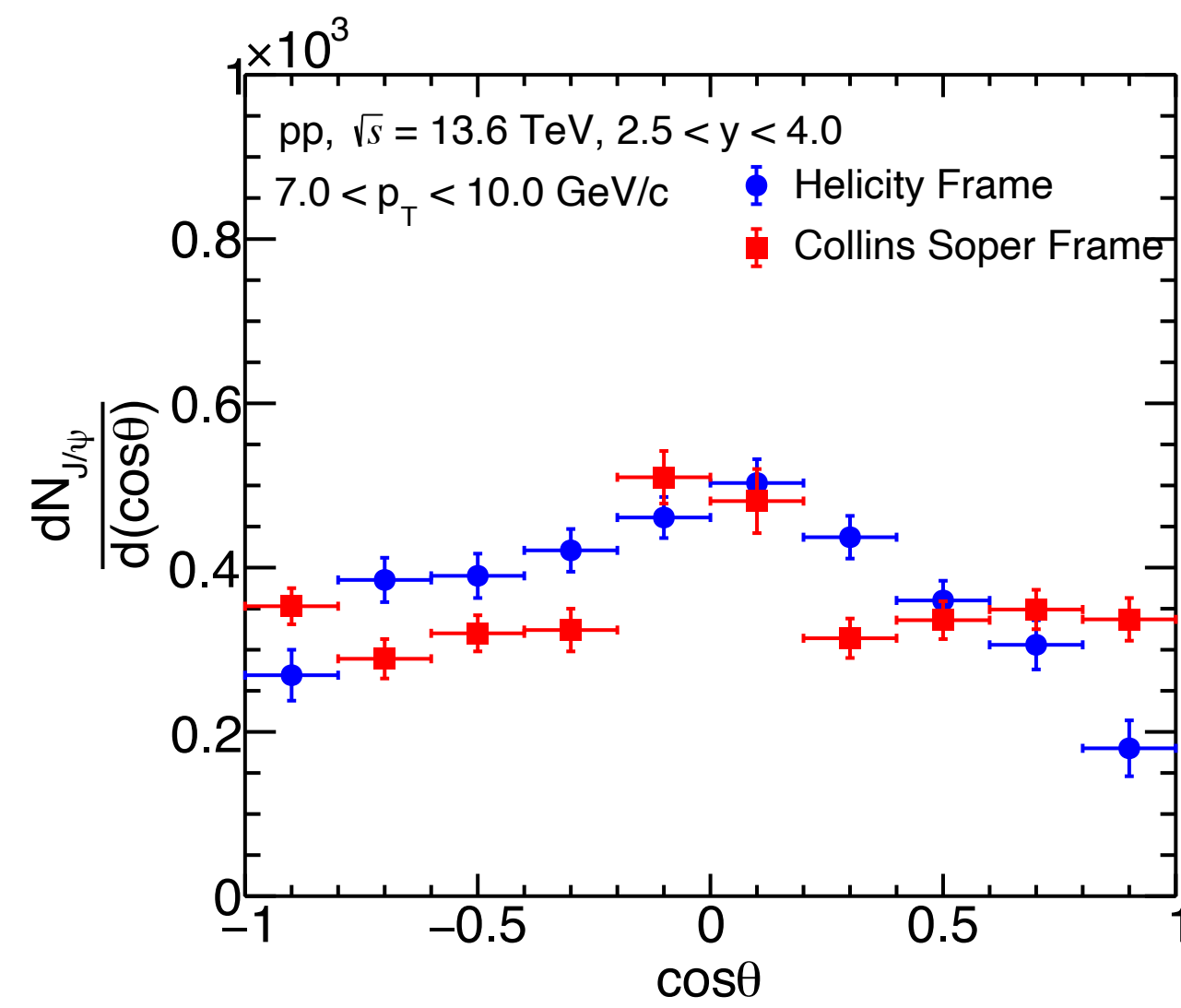
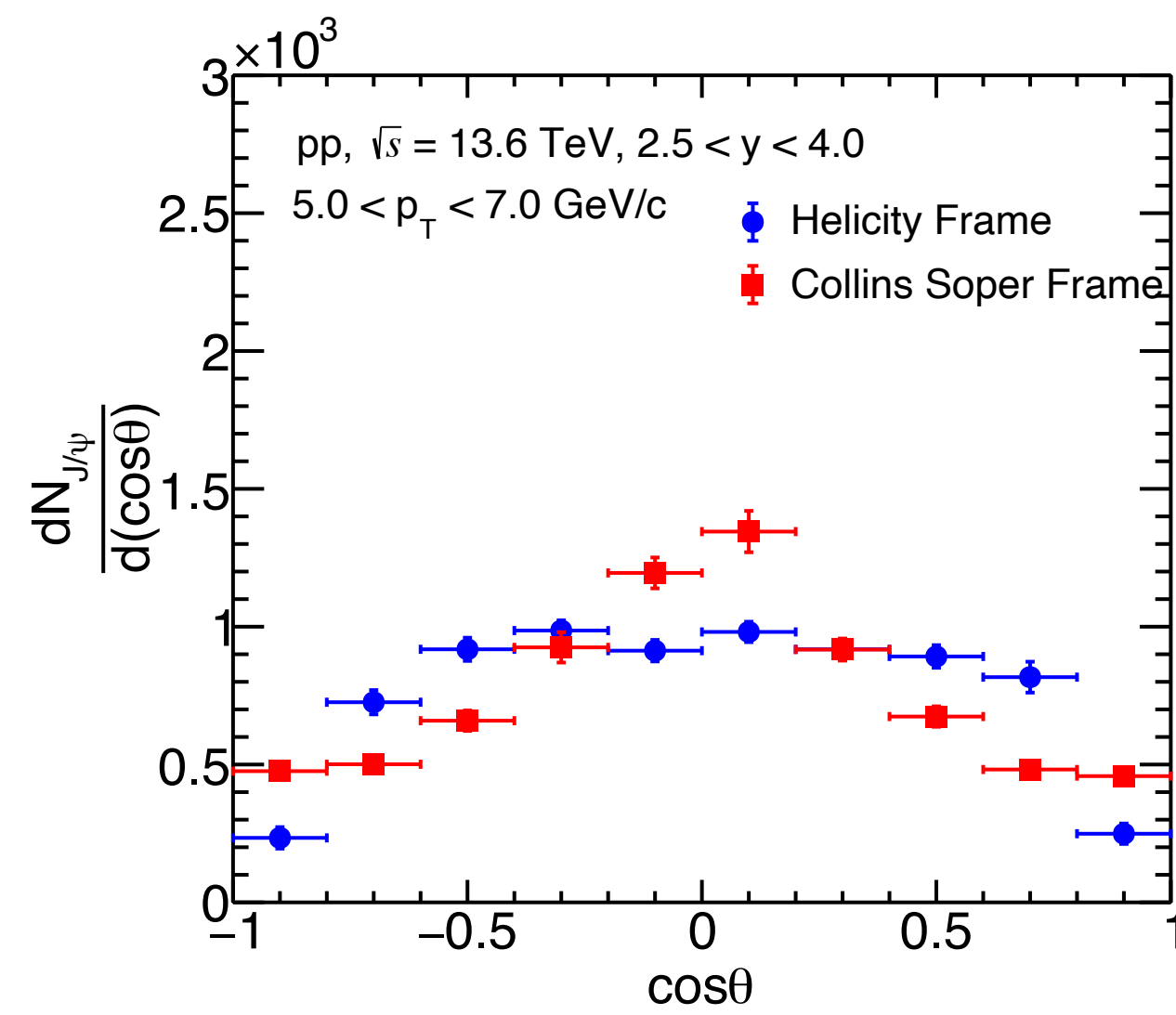
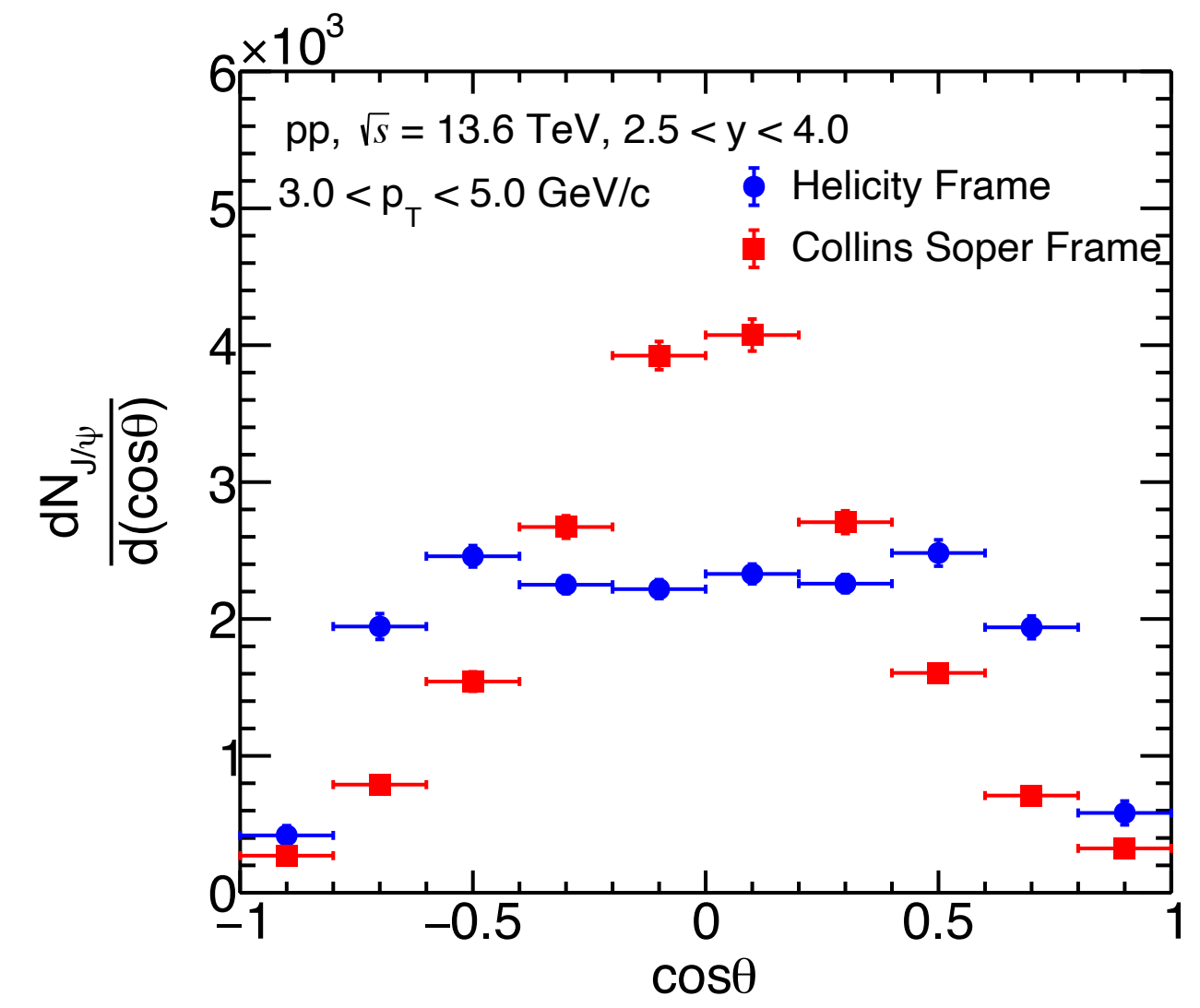
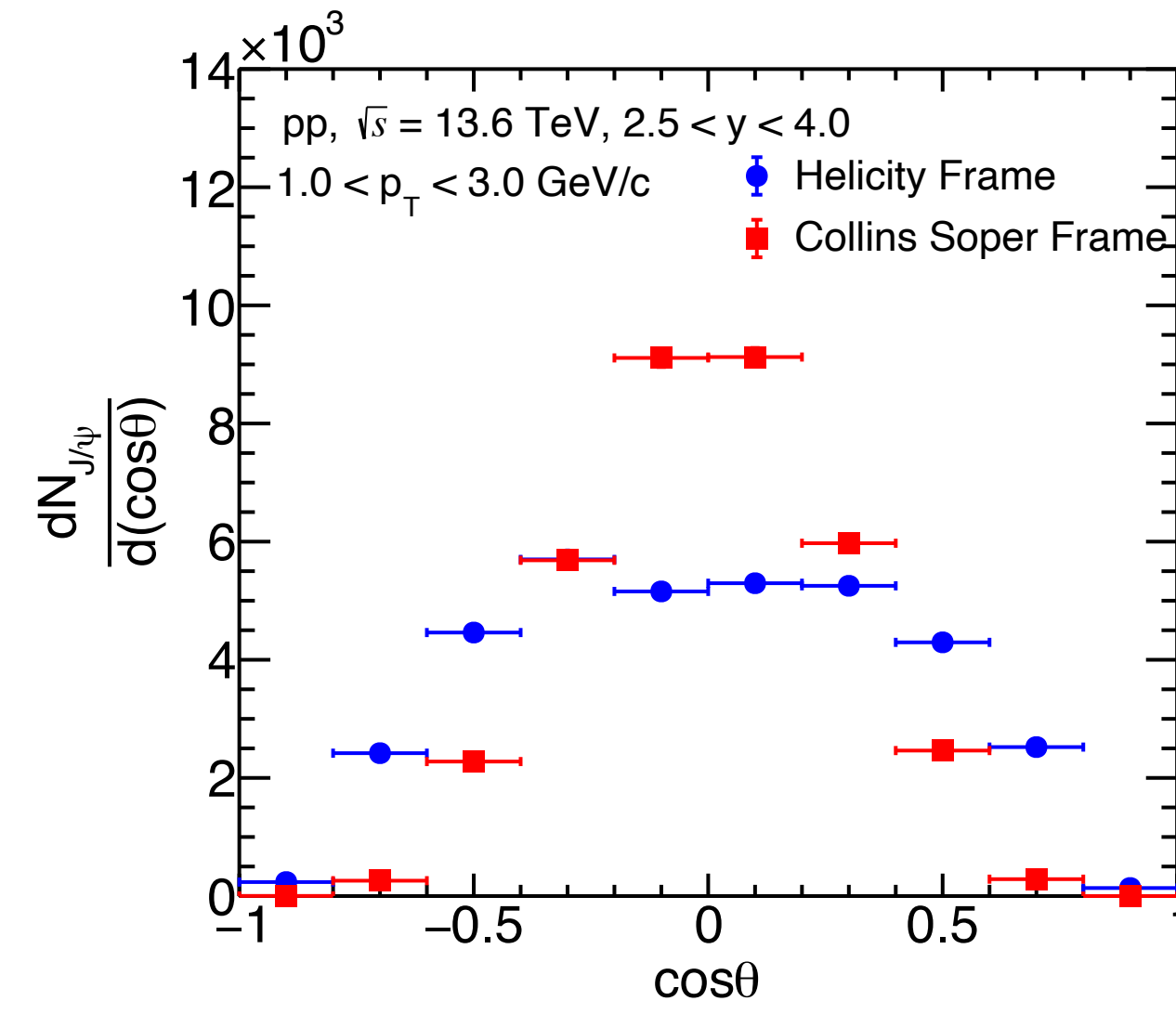
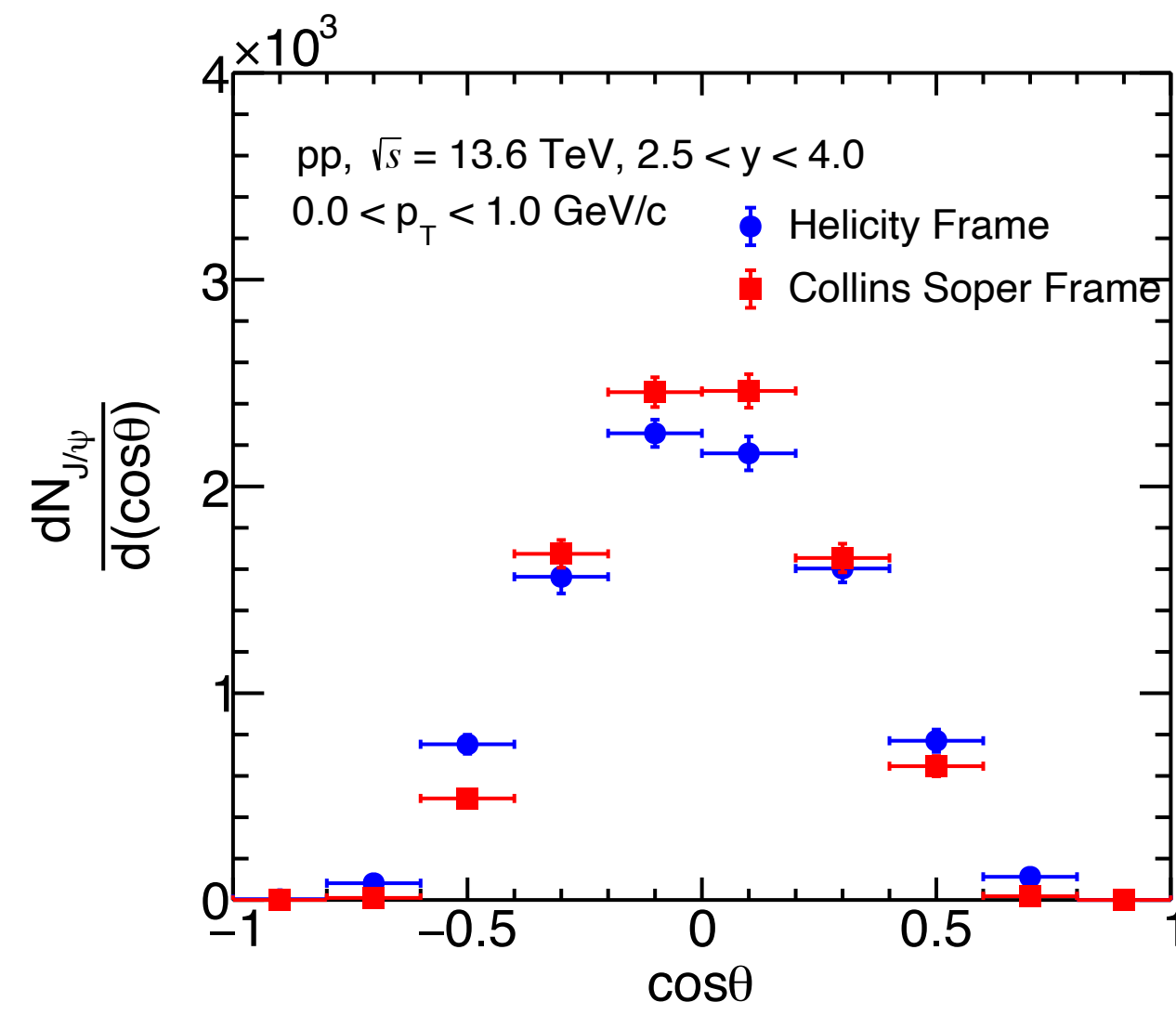
J/ψ angular distribution: Multiplicity dependent cosθ raw distribution



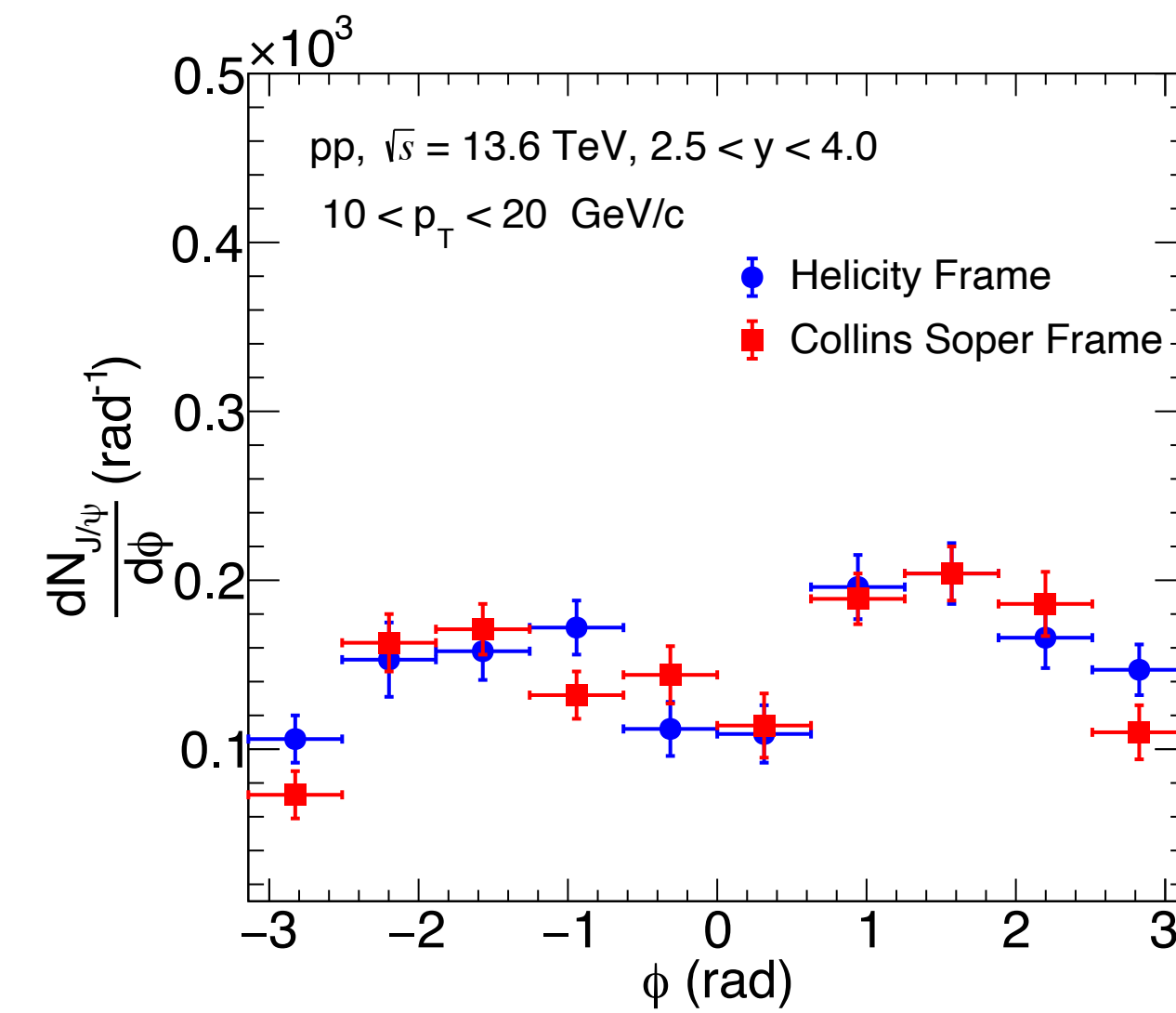
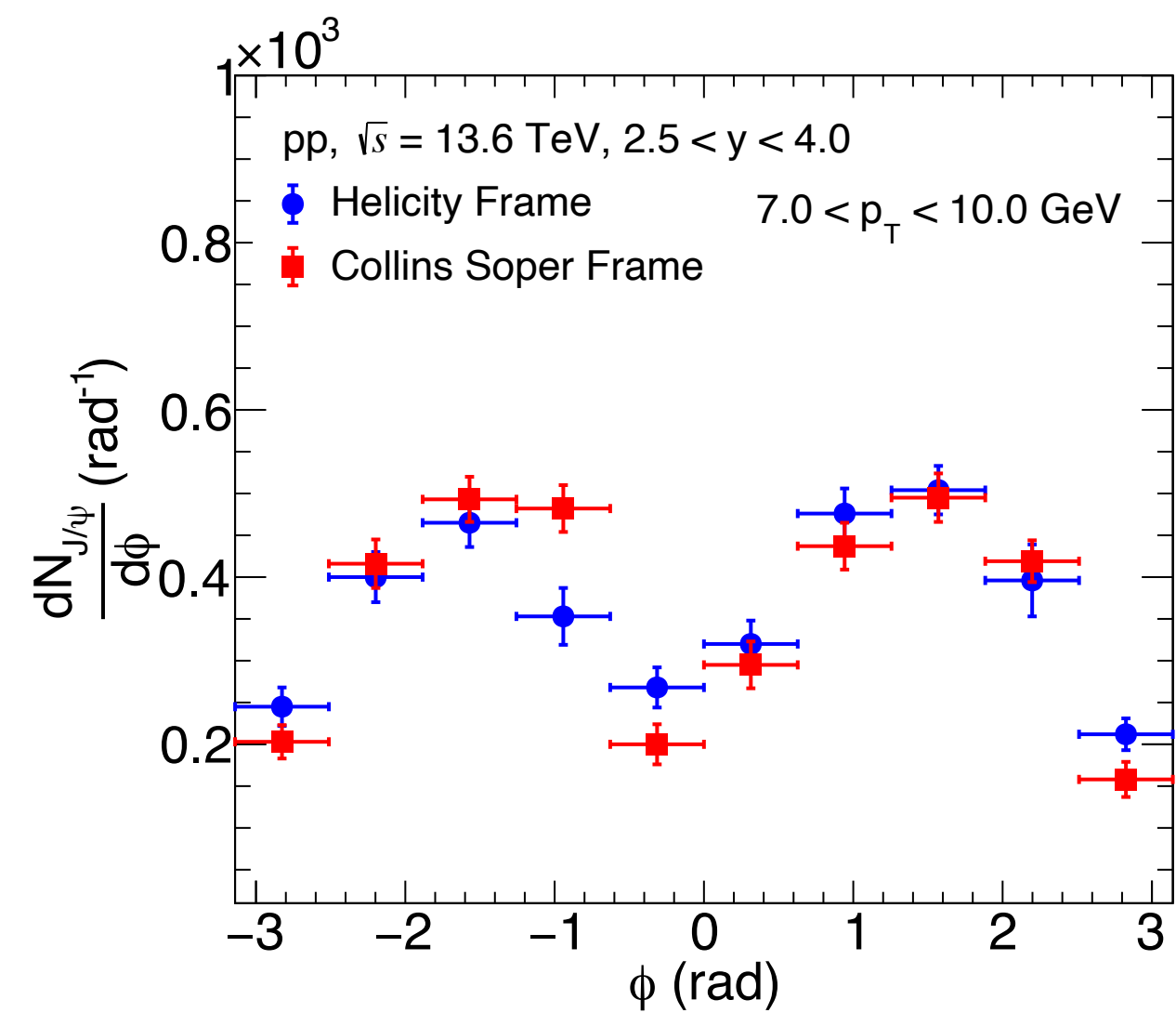
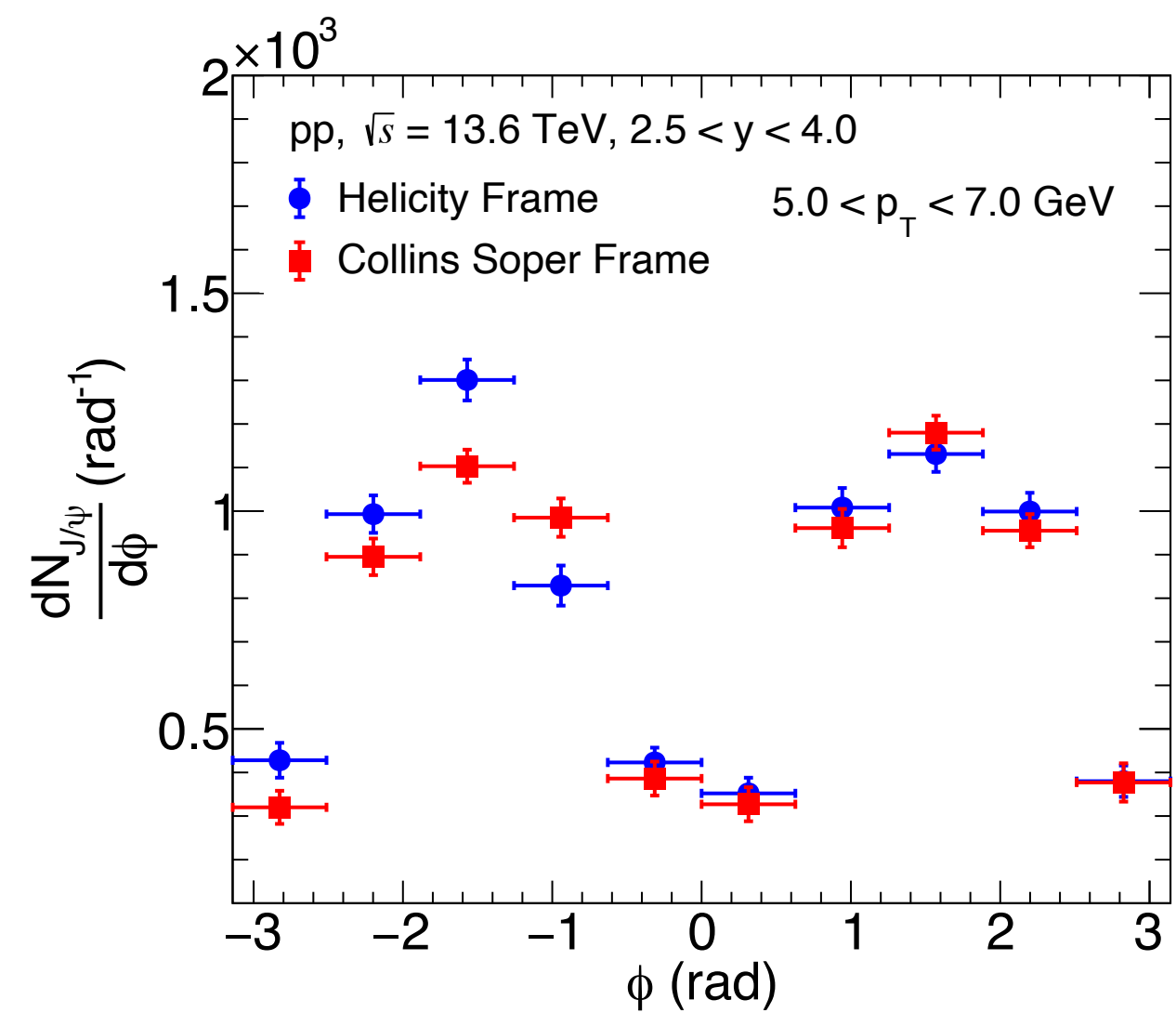
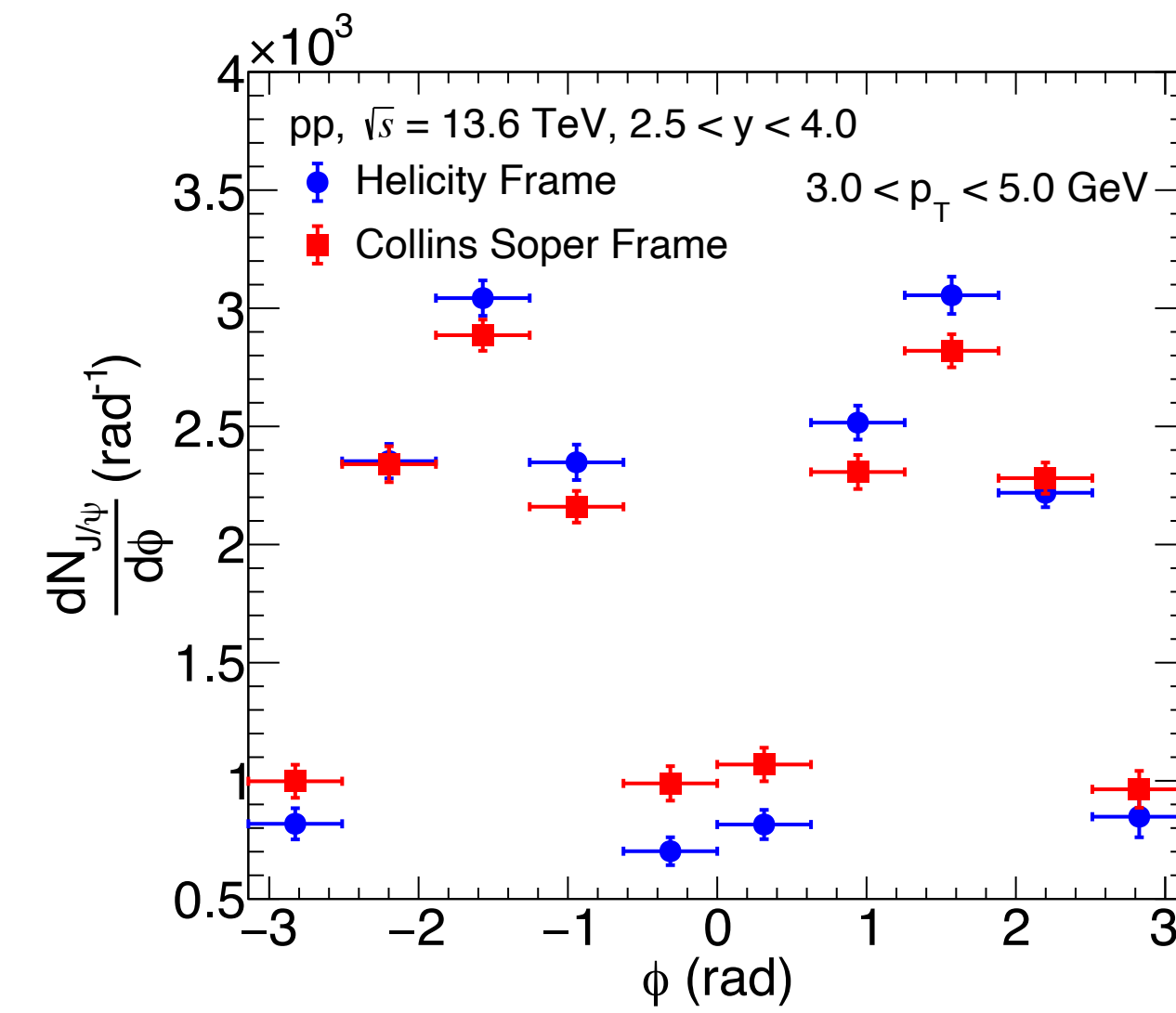
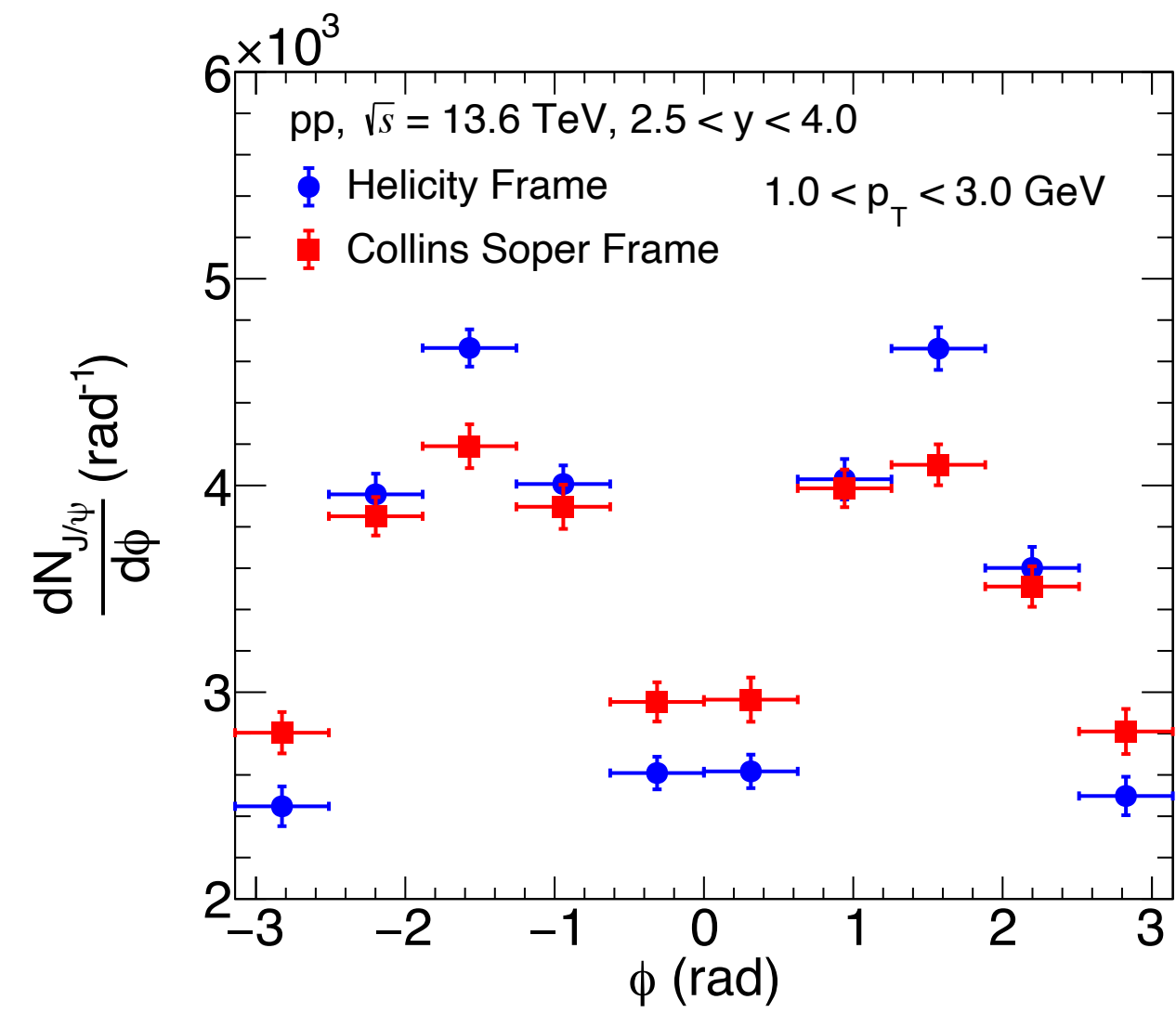
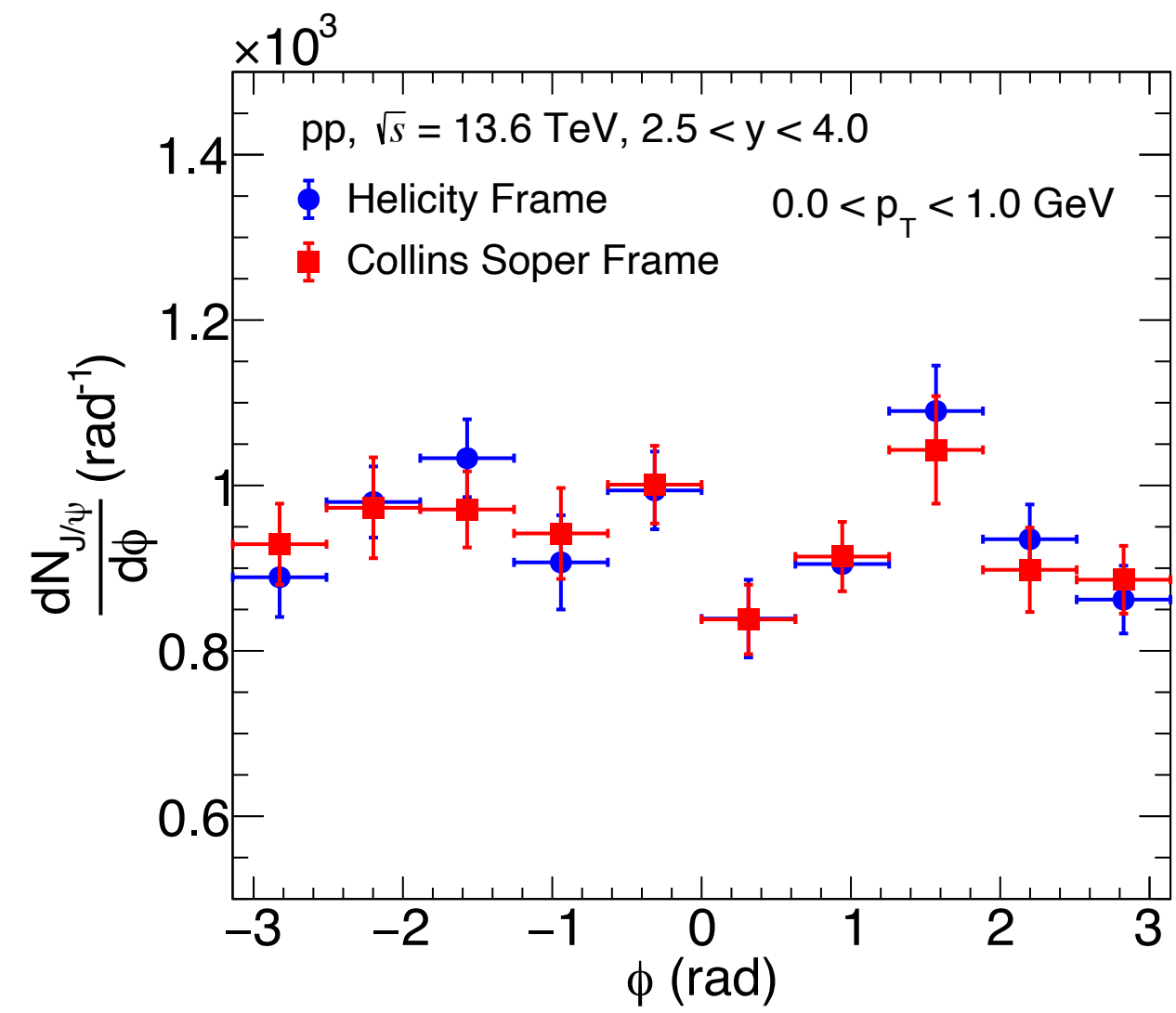
J/ψ angular distribution: Multiplicity dependent ϕ raw distribution



J/ψ angular distribution: p_T dependent $\cos\theta$ raw distribution



J/ψ angular distribution: p_T dependent ϕ raw distribution



Summary and Outlook

Summary

- Preliminary results are obtained to study the multiplicity dependence of J/ψ polarization parameters in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$ TeV using a small statistics Run 3 data sample
- The J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ raw yield, $\psi(2S)/J/\psi$ ratios, mass and resolution of J/ψ is obtained as a function of transverse momentum
- The FT0C multiplicity dependence raw angular distribution is obtained for both helicity and Collins-Soper frames
- The p_T differential raw angular distributions are obtained along with the multiplicity dependence to compare with Run 2 result

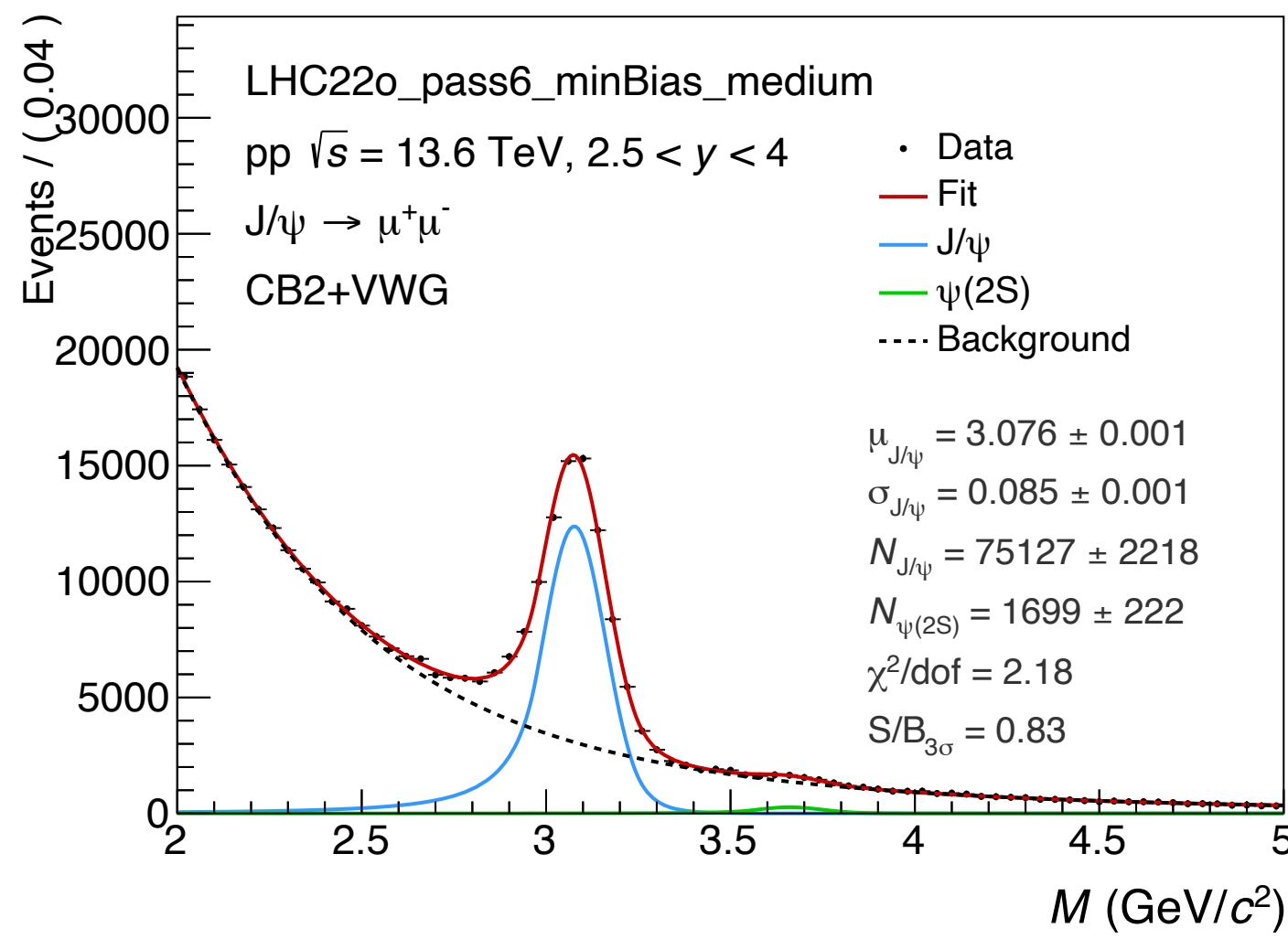
Outlook

- The raw angular distribution will be obtained with large statistics data sample (LHC 22o, LHC22m, LHC22r, LHC22q, LHC22t and LHC23 datasets)
- Waiting for the approval of Long Train Request
- The raw angular distribution will be corrected with the Acceptance x Efficiency to obtain the corrected angular distribution
- Waiting for ideal MC simulation
- The precise measurement of transverse momentum and rapidity dependence polarization parameters can be explored in this analysis with high statistics Run 3 data

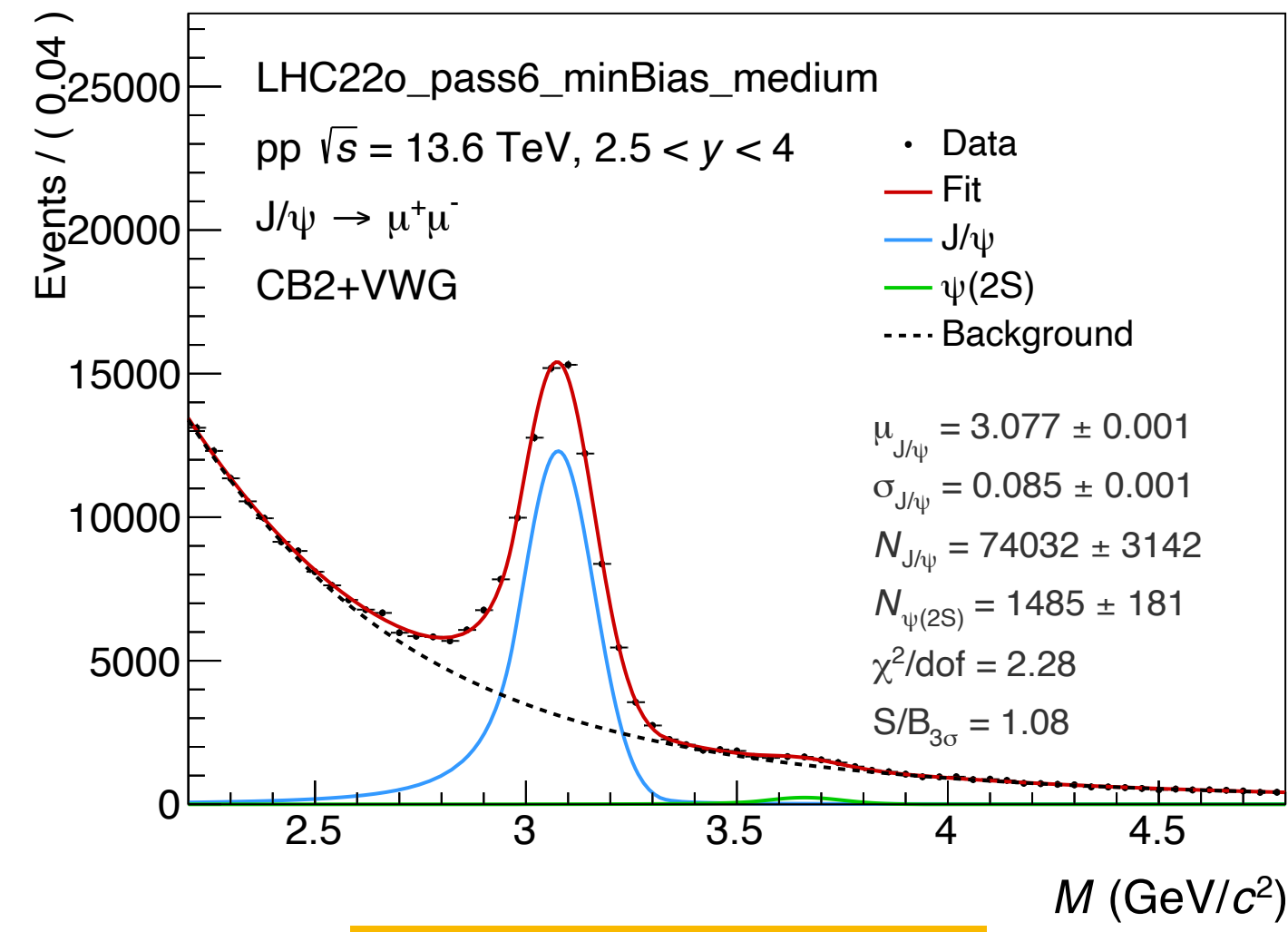
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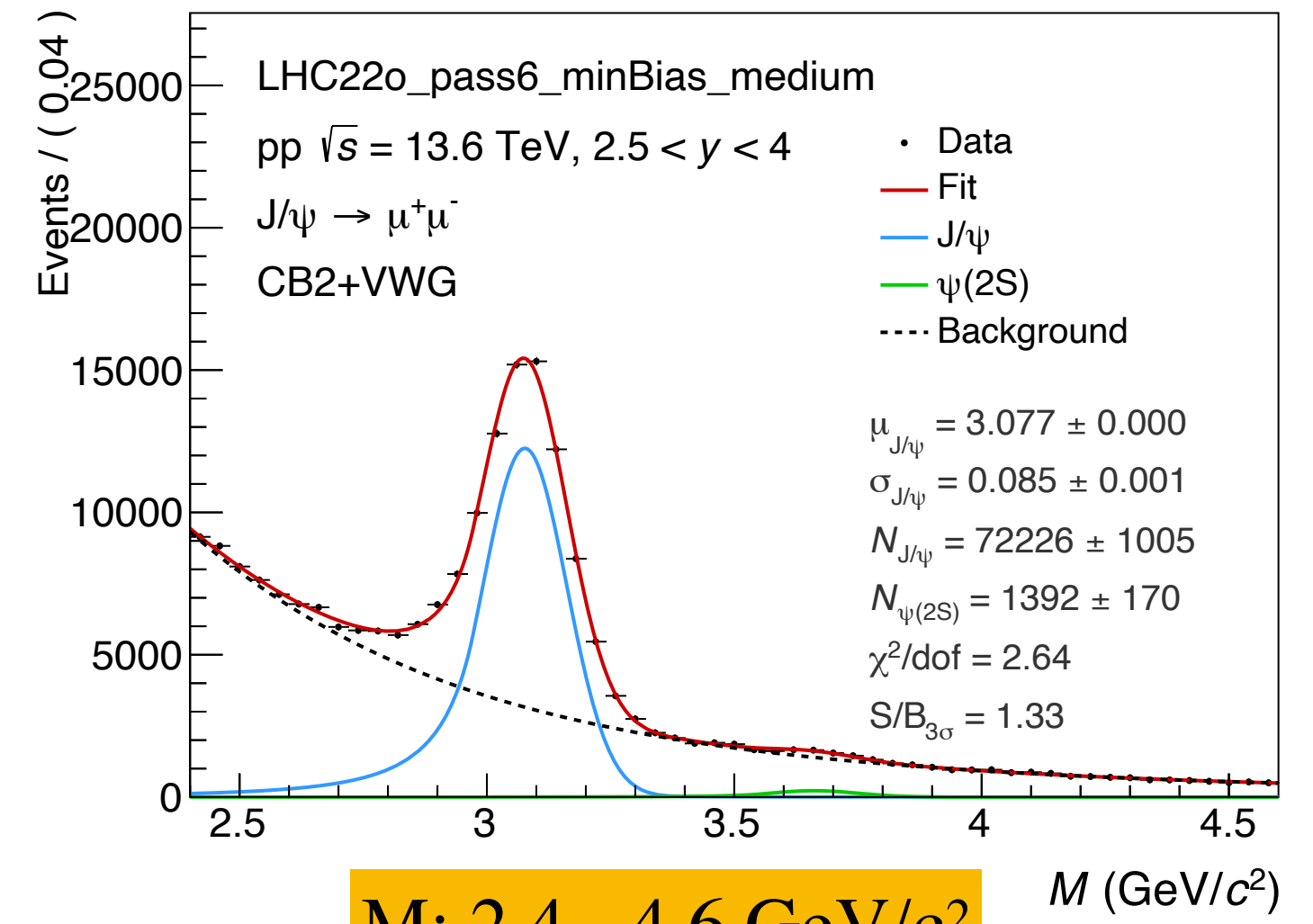
Signal Extraction: Three different fit ranges (Integrated p_T)



M: 2 - 5 GeV/c²



M: 2.2 - 4.8 GeV/c²



M: 2.4 - 4.6 GeV/c²

pass6

- The mass and resolution are found to be consistent in each fit ranges
- The tail parameters are free in these fits

Comparison of Tail parameters with Run 3 Analysis Note

pass4

type	t_1	p_1	t_2	p_2
Data	1.061	23.725	3.183	21.144
MC	1.137	2.371	1.871	5.032

Table 1: CB2 tail parameters

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type	t_1	p_1	t_2	p_2
Data	1.003	4.311	2.232	6.246
MC	1.150	2.211	2.577	2.826

Table 15: CB2 tail parameters

type	t_1	p_1	t_2	p_2
Data	1.22 ± 0.0323	2.449 ± 0.7746	1.8715 ± 0.0414	18.6825 ± 11.9047

CB2 tail parameters (Fit ranges: 2.0 - 5.0 GeV/c²)

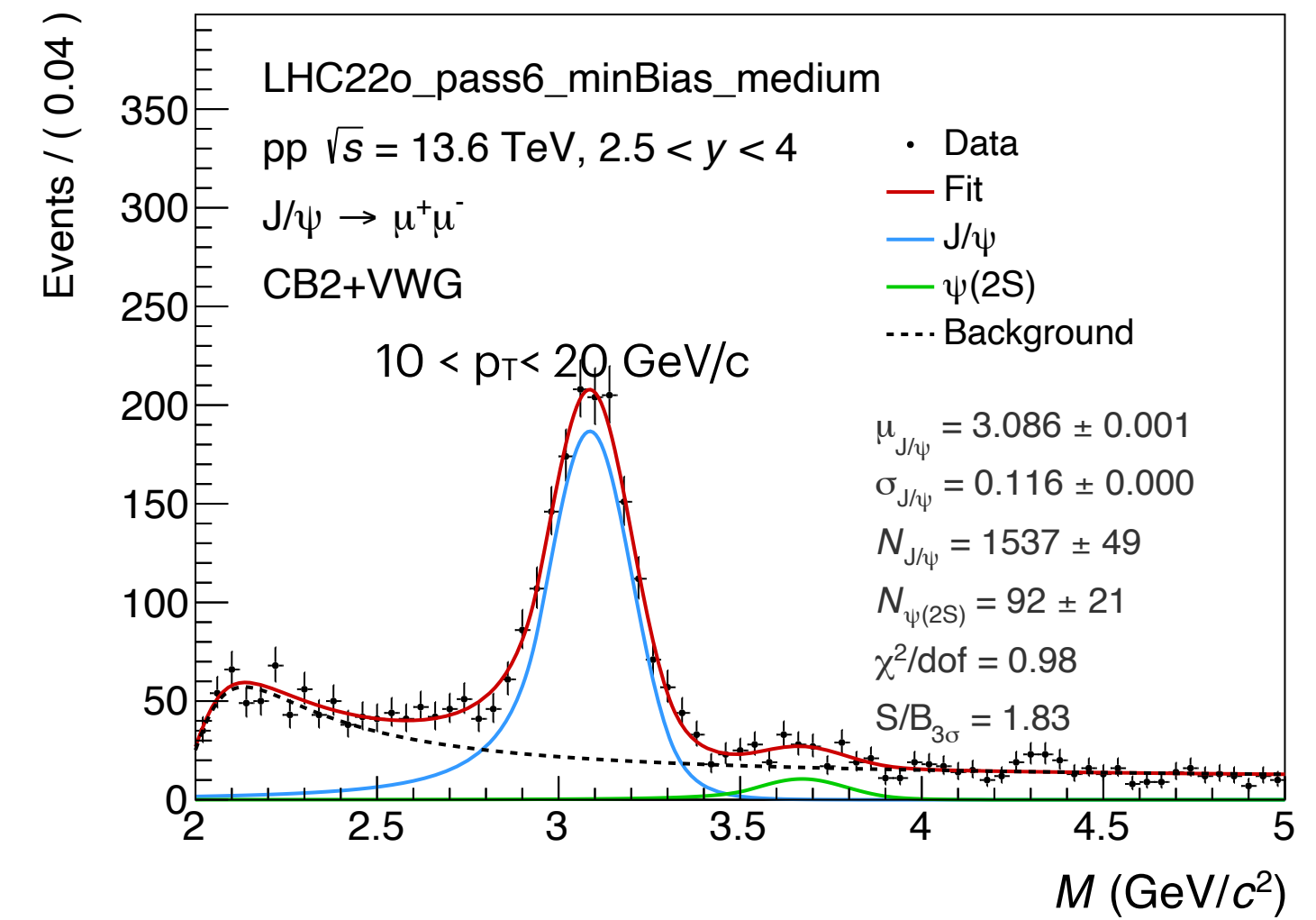
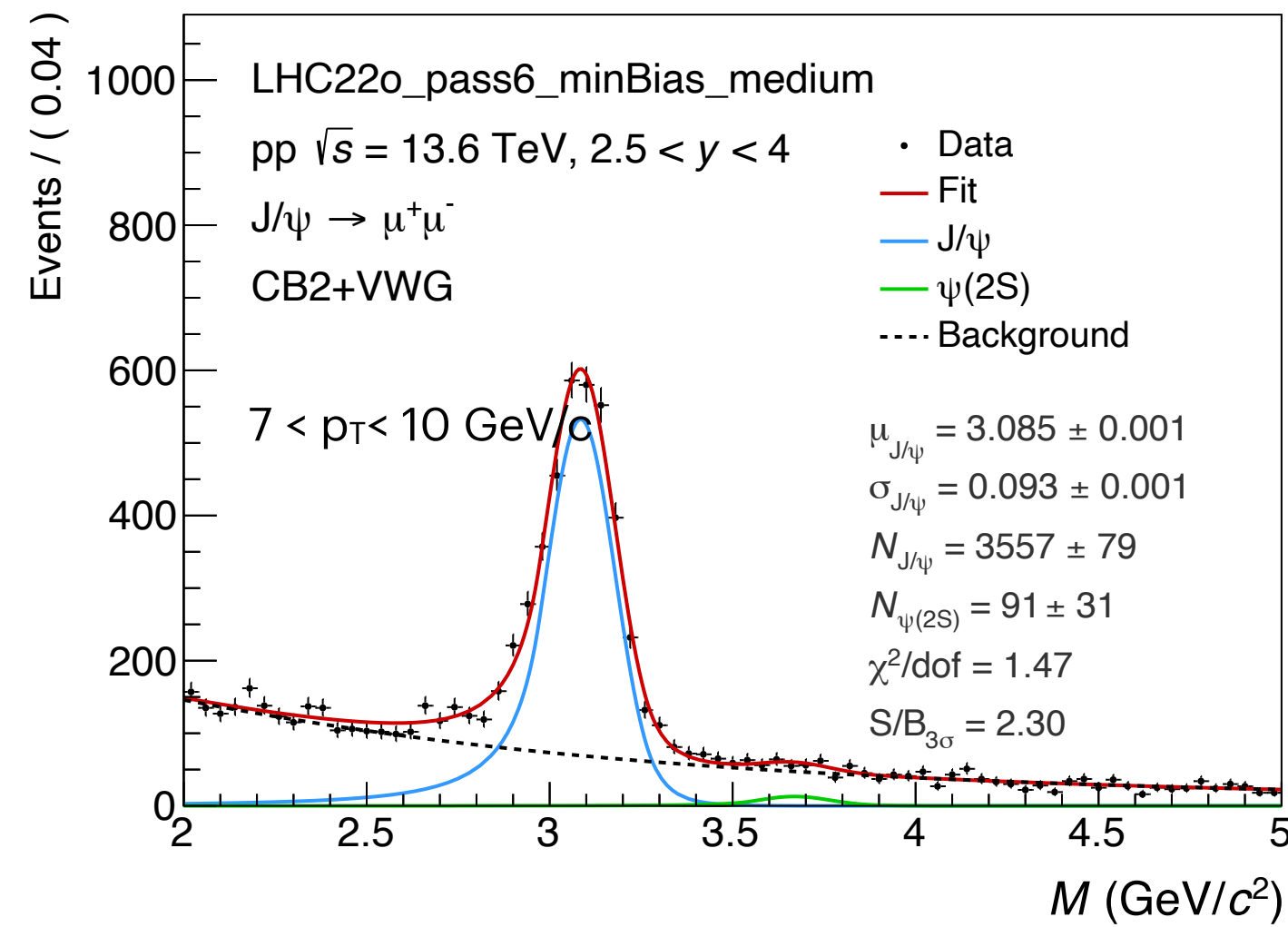
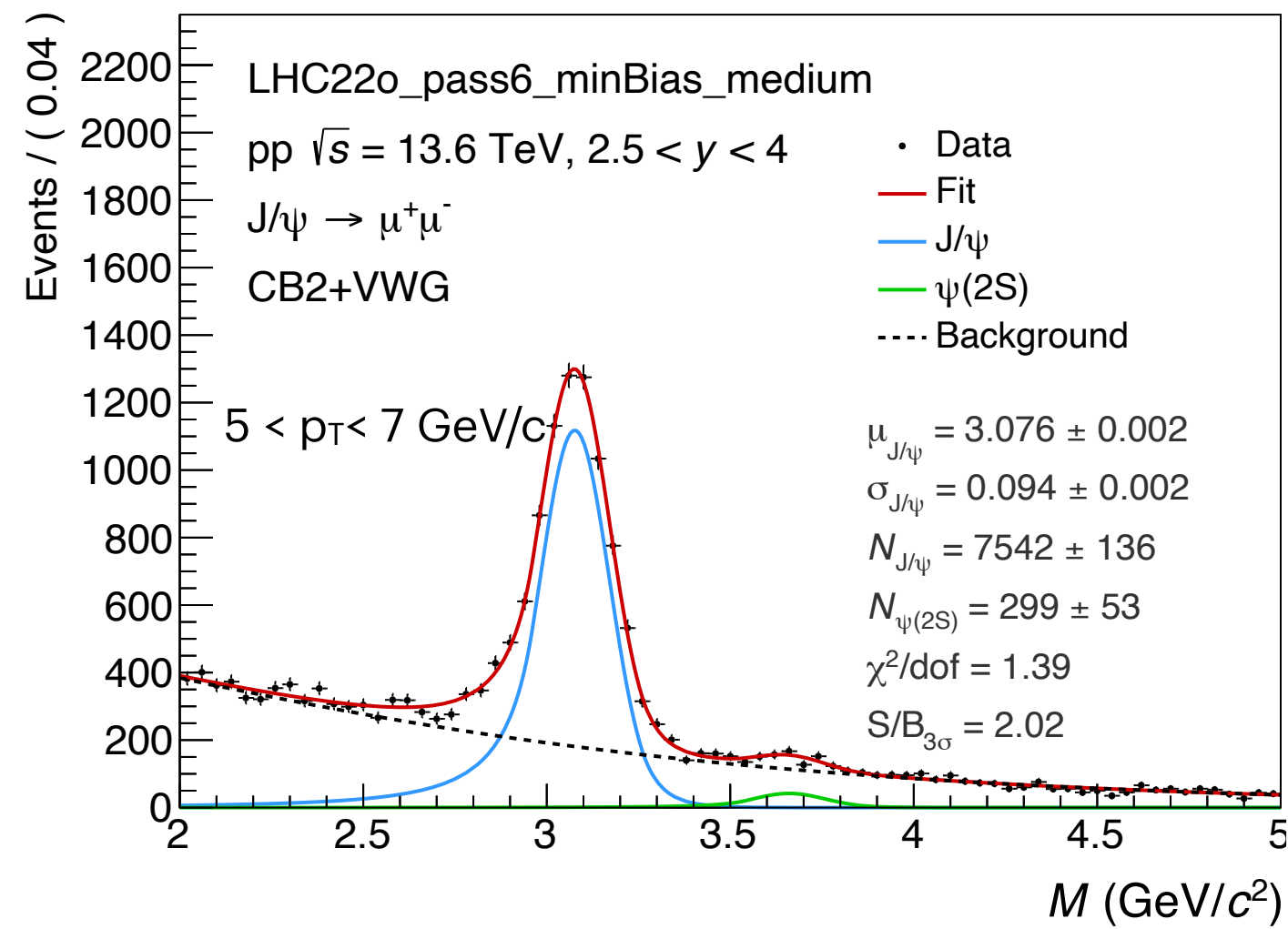
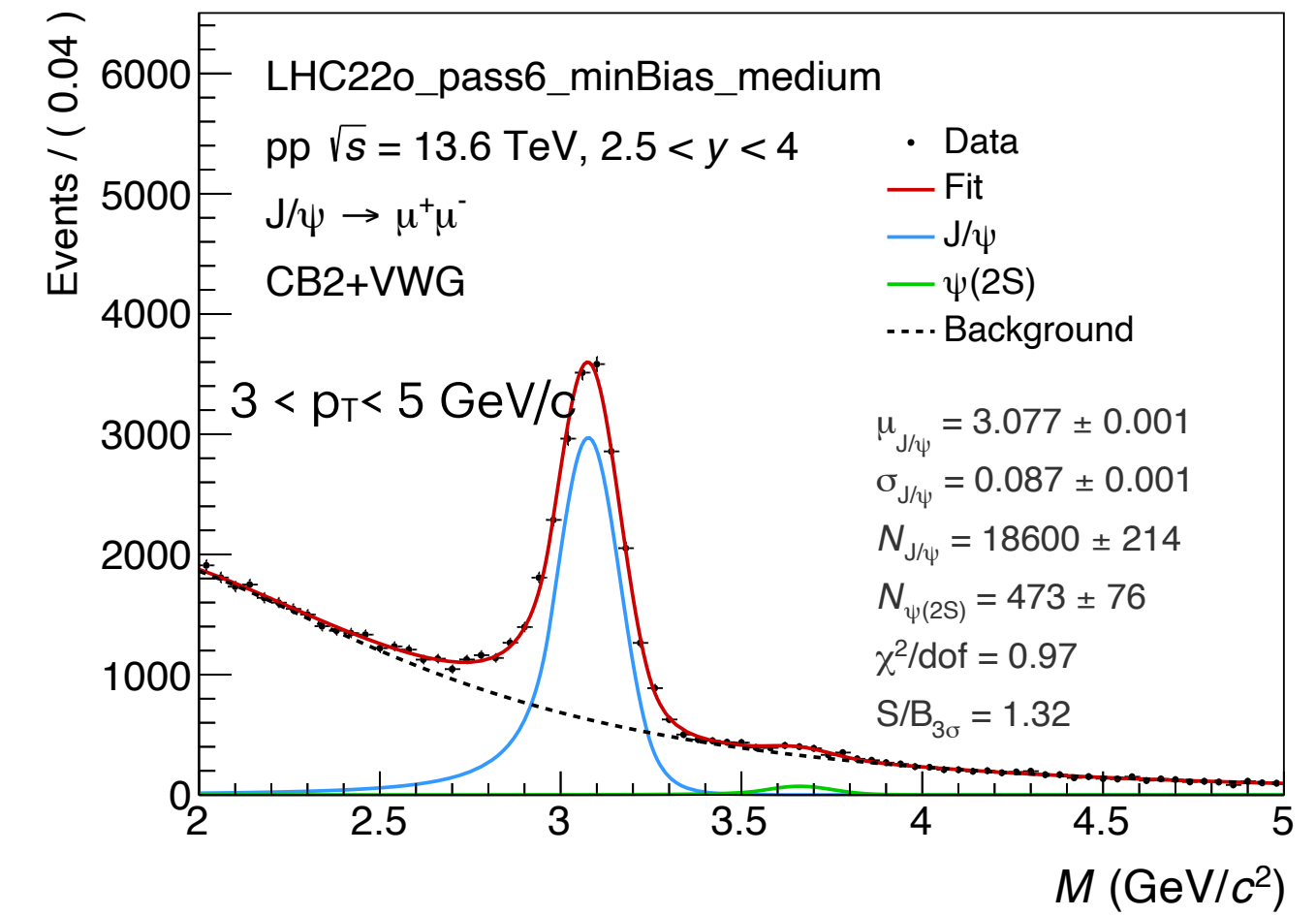
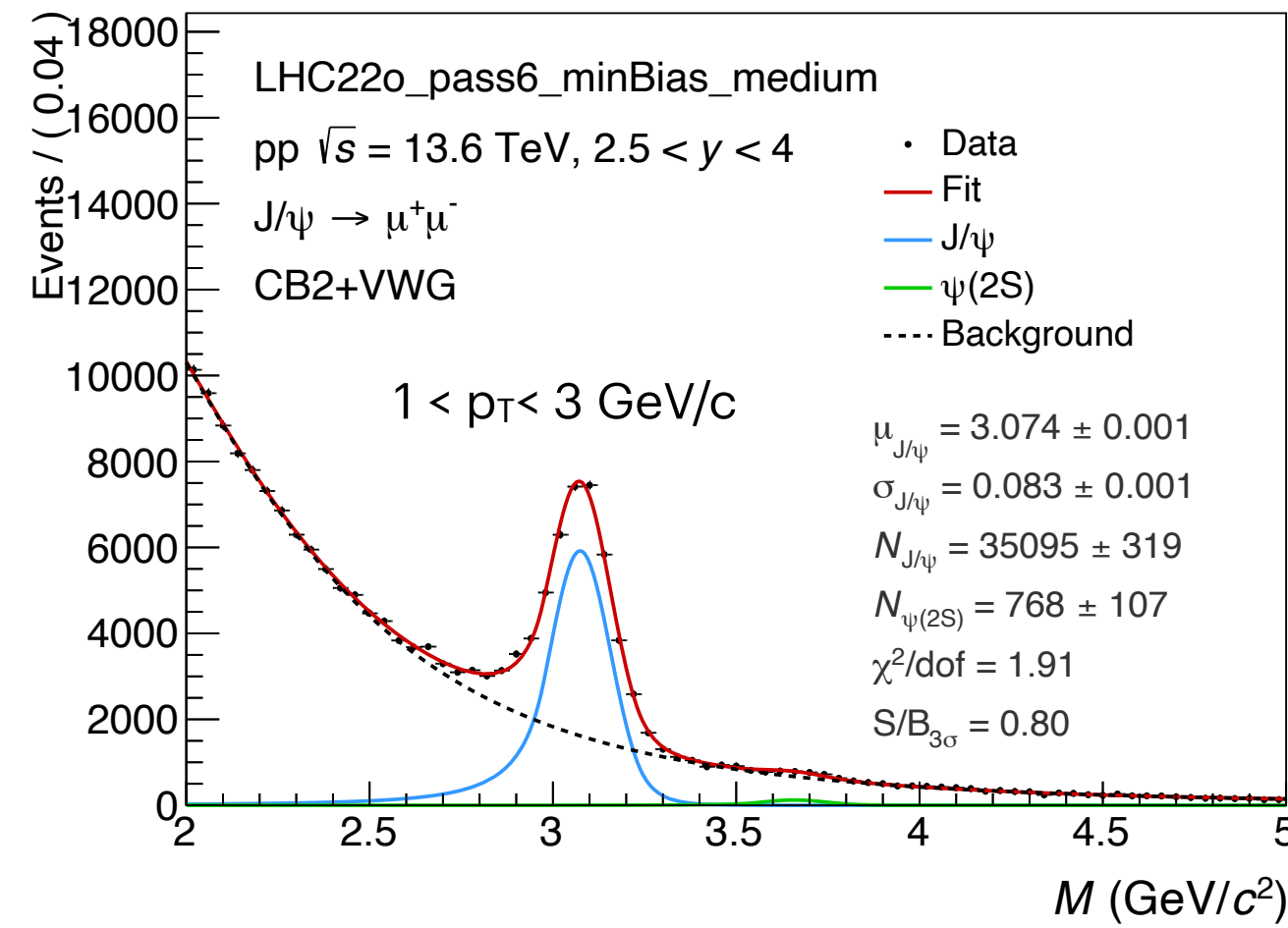
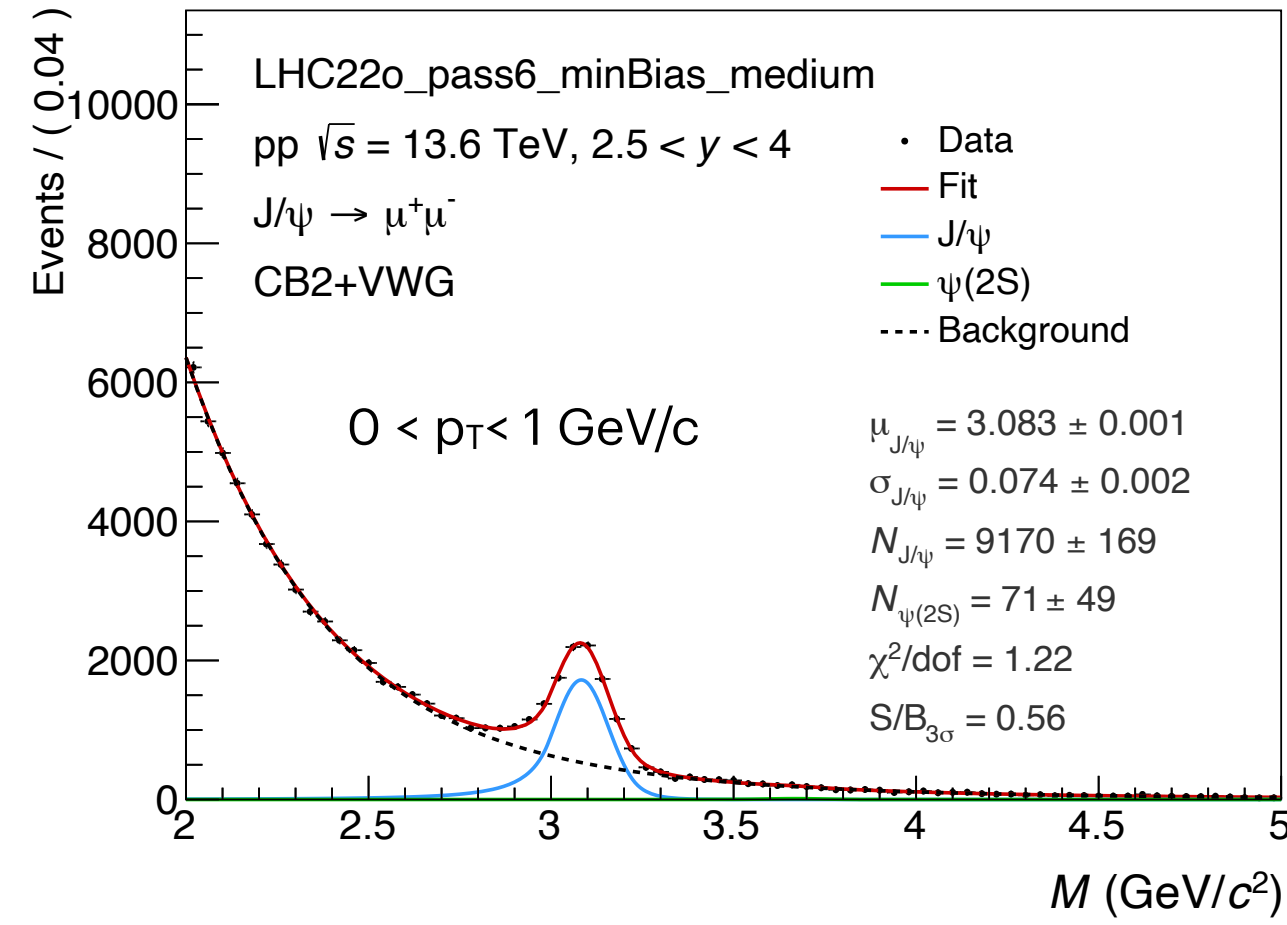
type	t_1	p_1	t_2	p_2
Data	1.2134 ± 0.0197	2.8672 ± 0.5979	2.7864 ± 0.1699	1.0 ± 11.3356

CB2 tail parameters (Fit ranges: 2.2 - 4.8 GeV/c²)

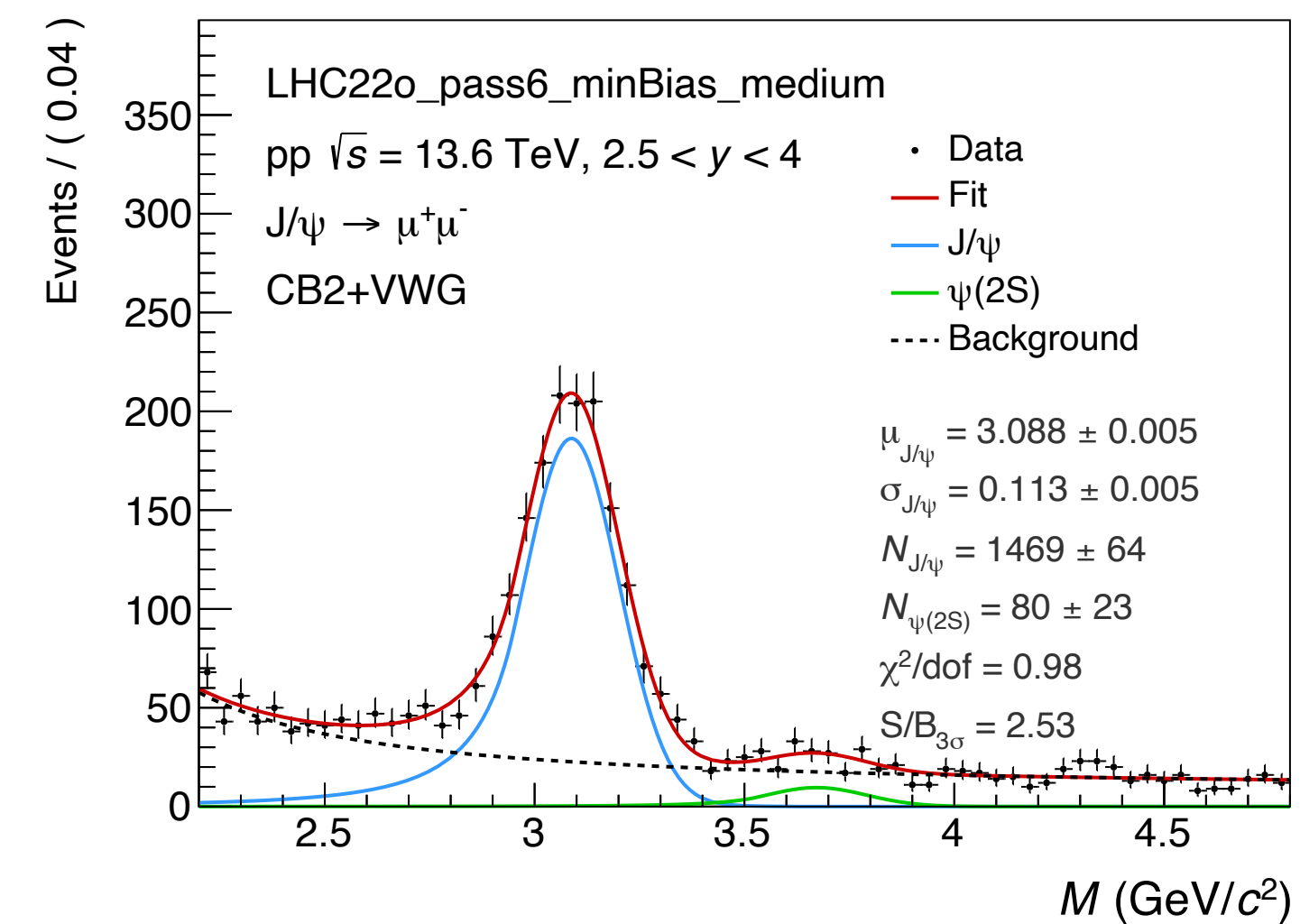
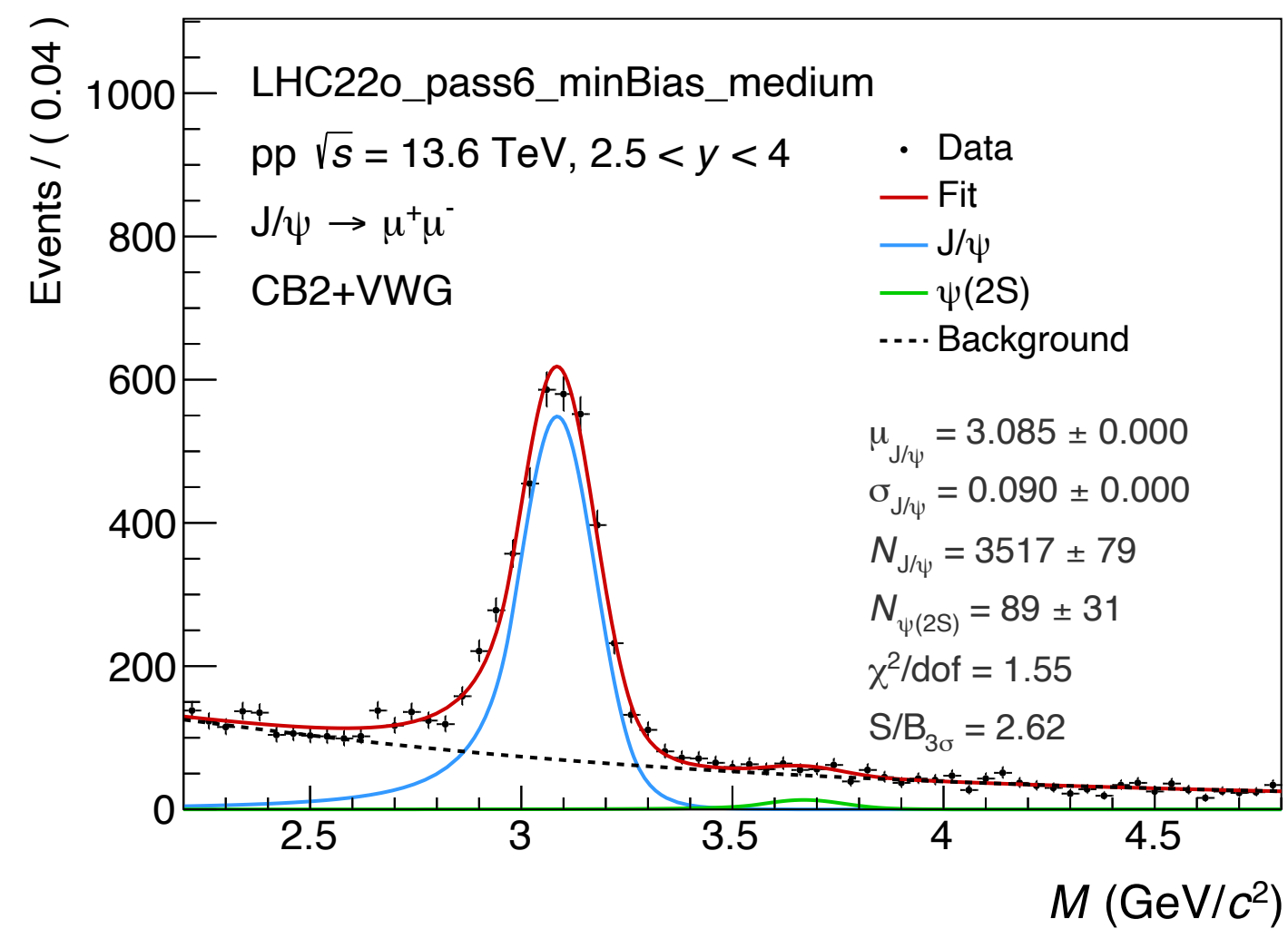
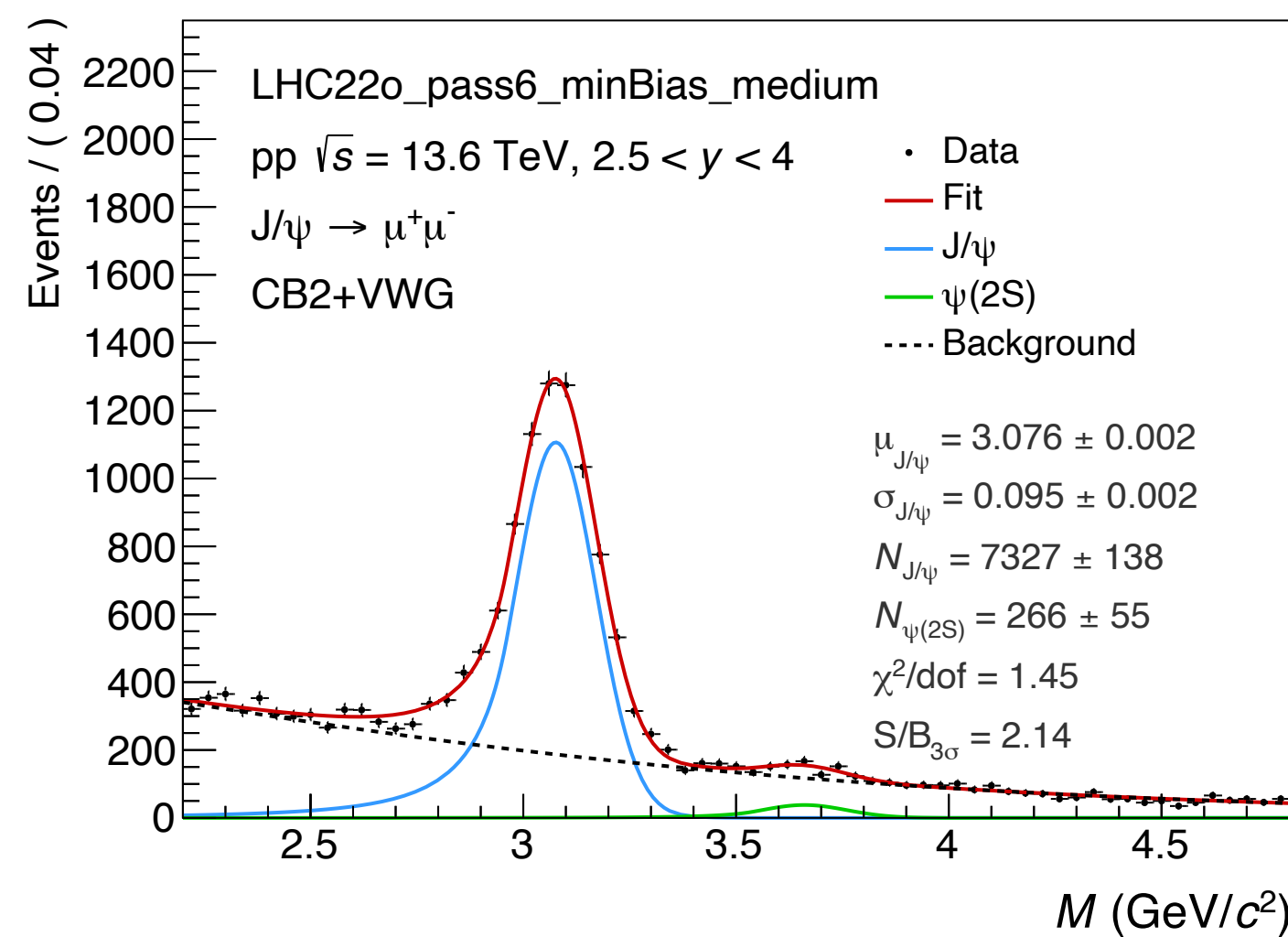
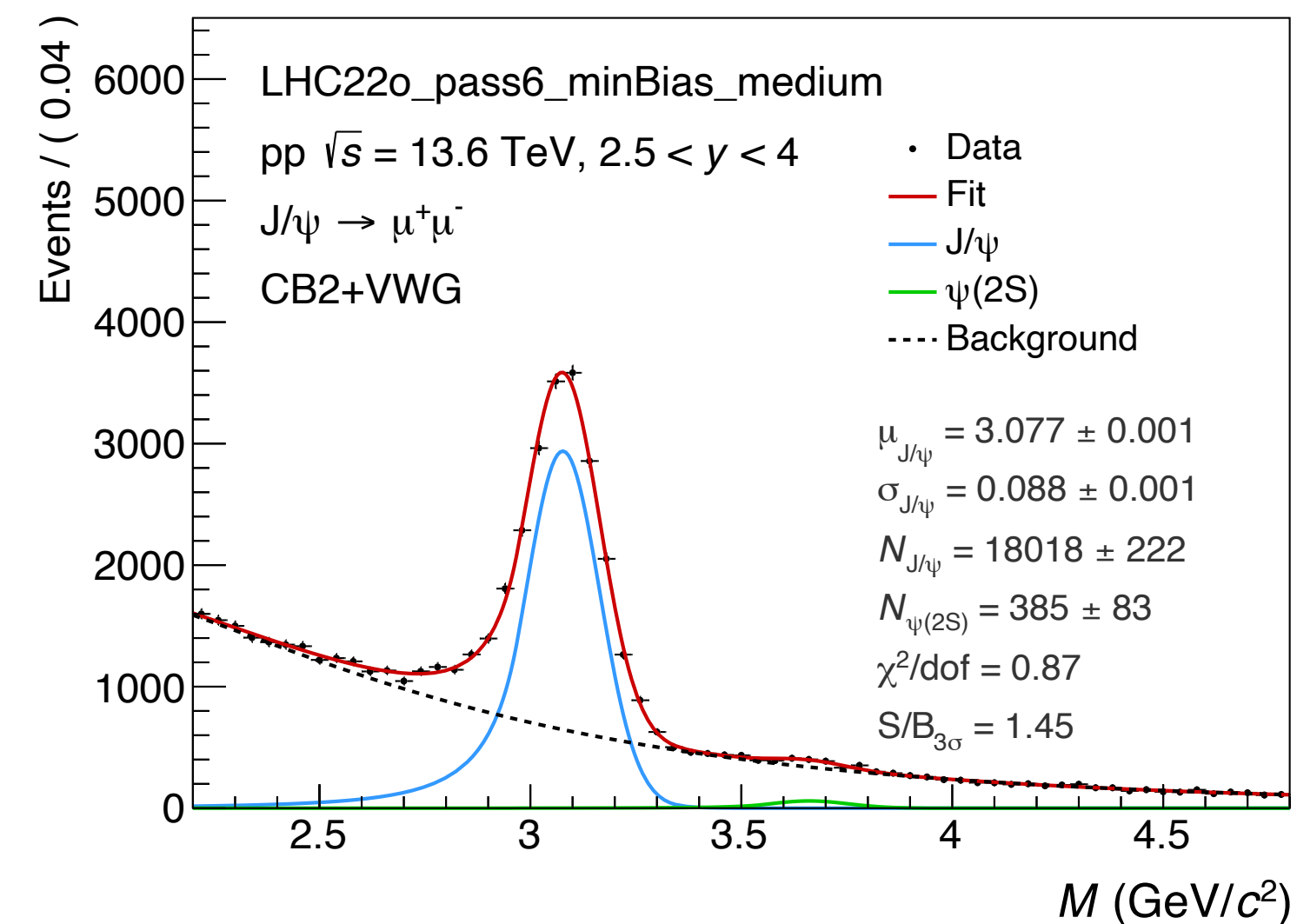
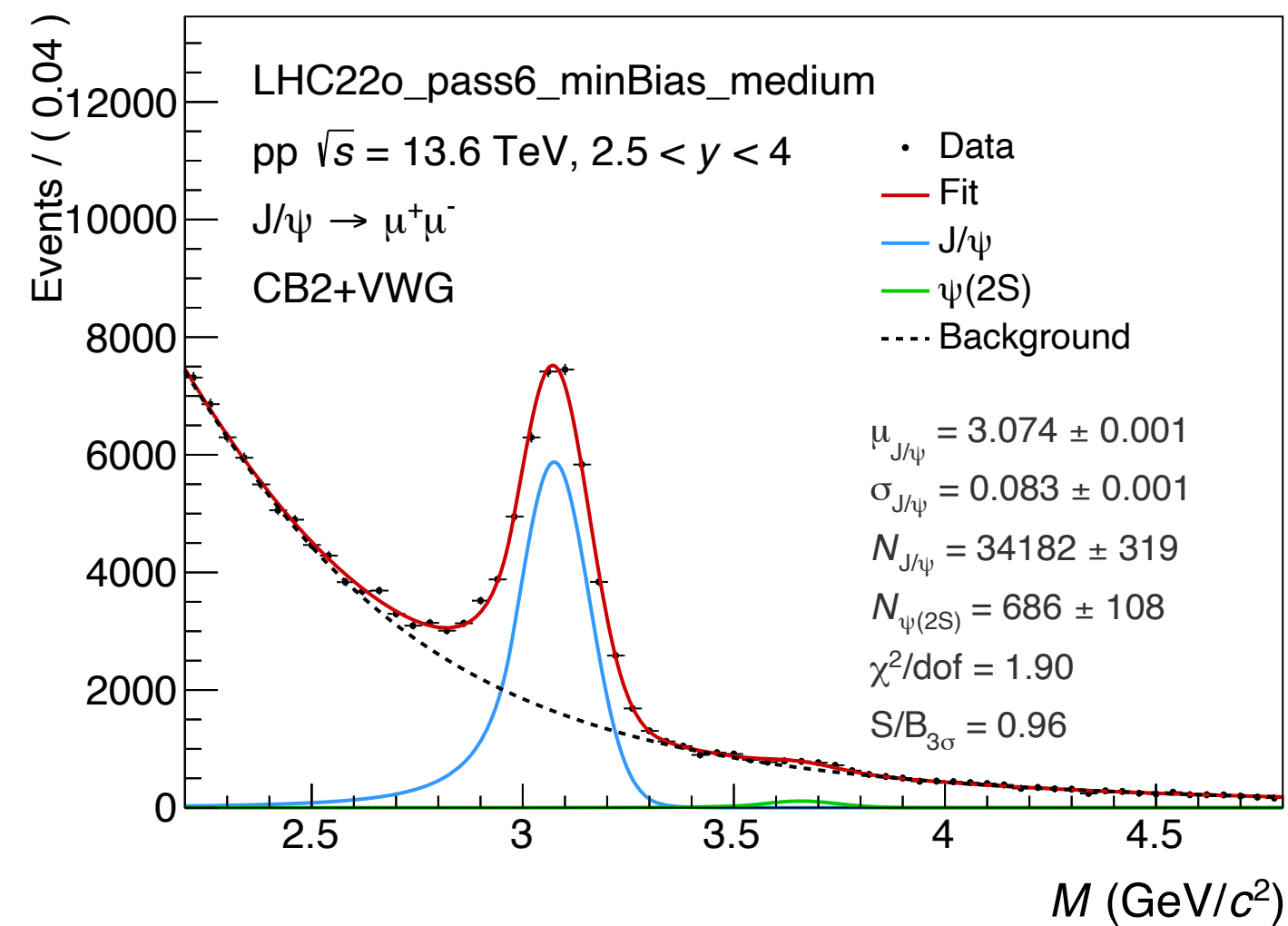
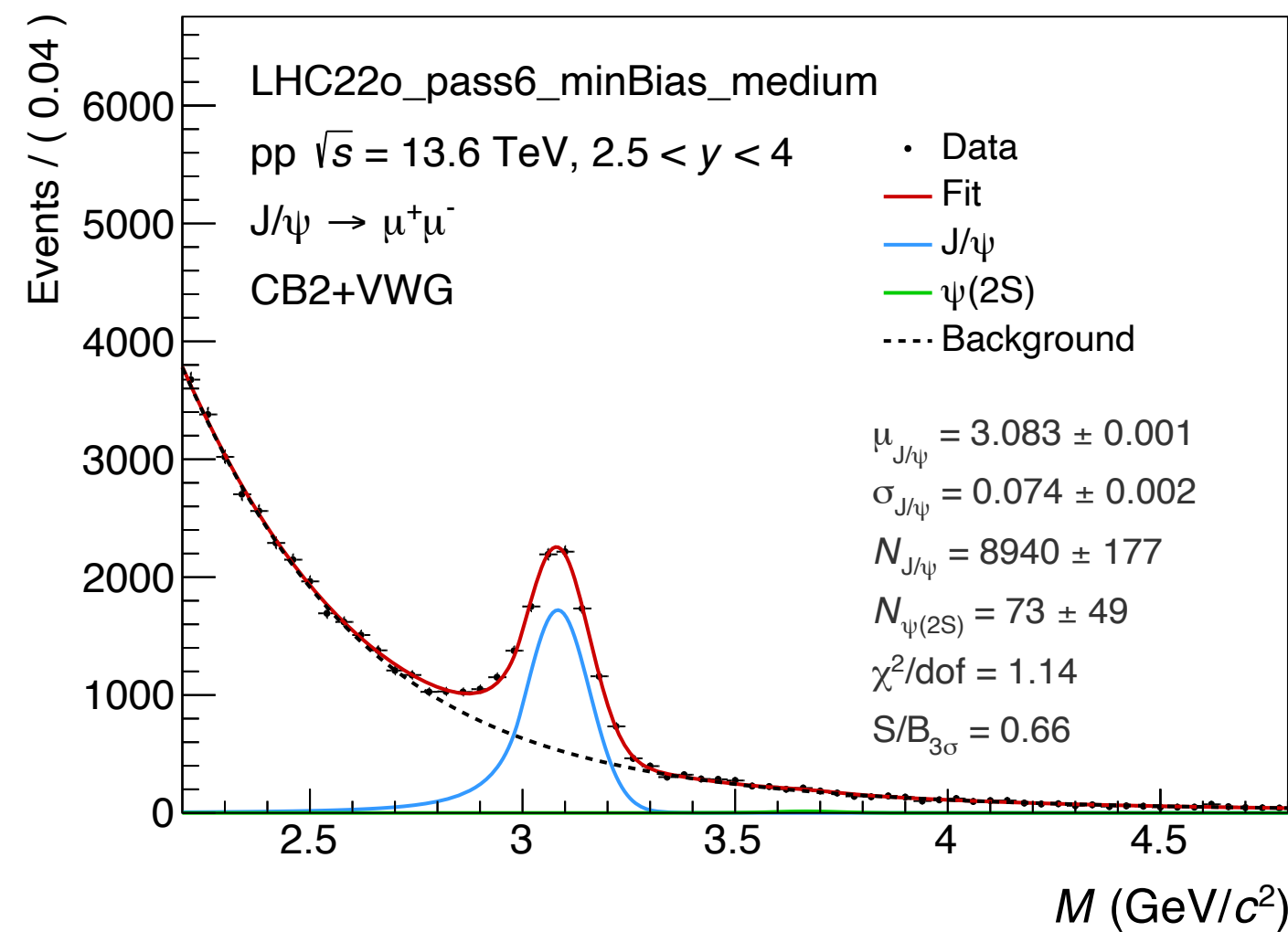
type	t_1	p_1	t_2	p_2
Data	1.2288 ± 0.0186	2.7731 ± 0.4509	3.2787 ± 0.0696	1.0 ± 2.8396

CB2 tail parameters (Fit ranges: 2.4 - 4.6 GeV/c²)

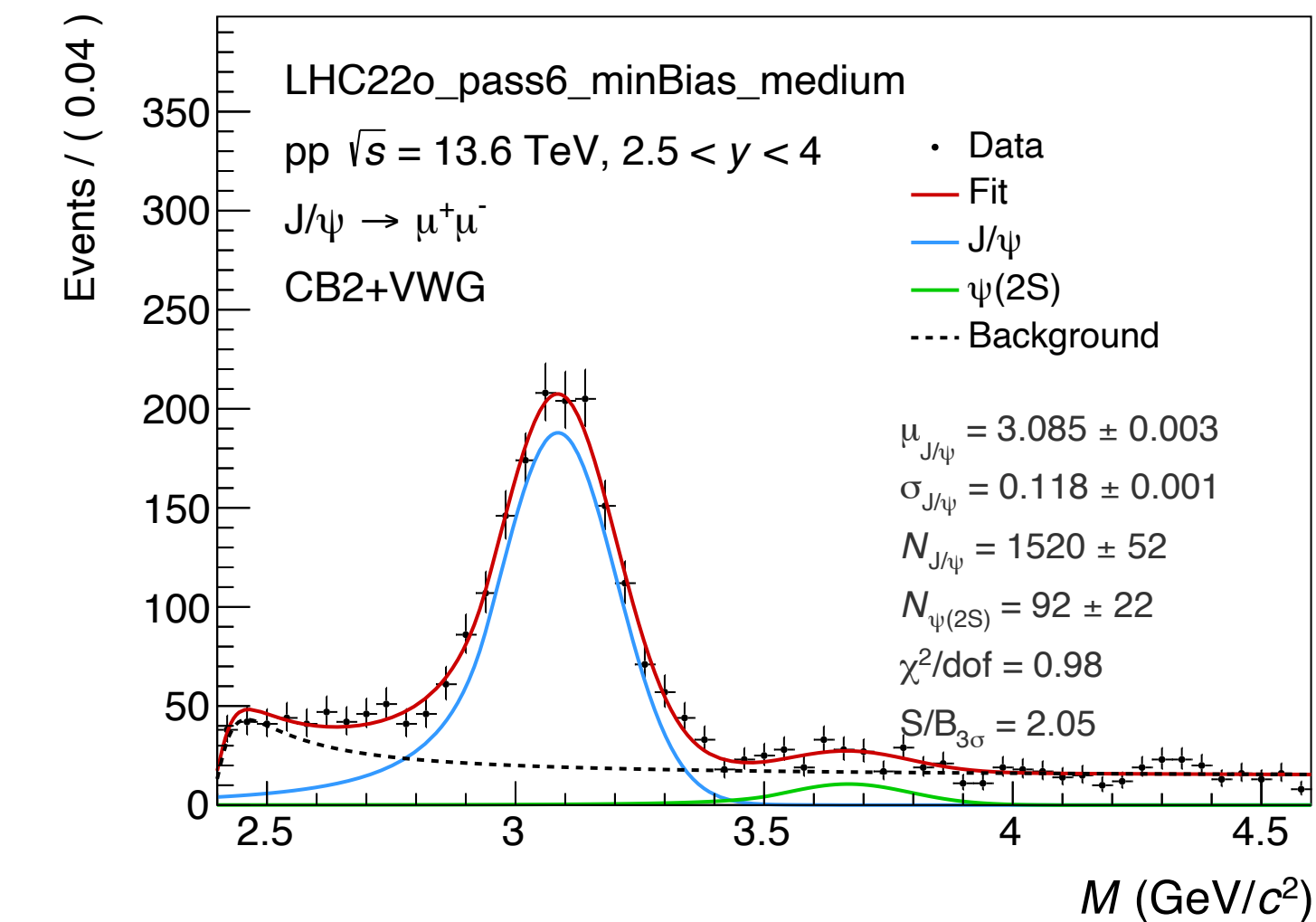
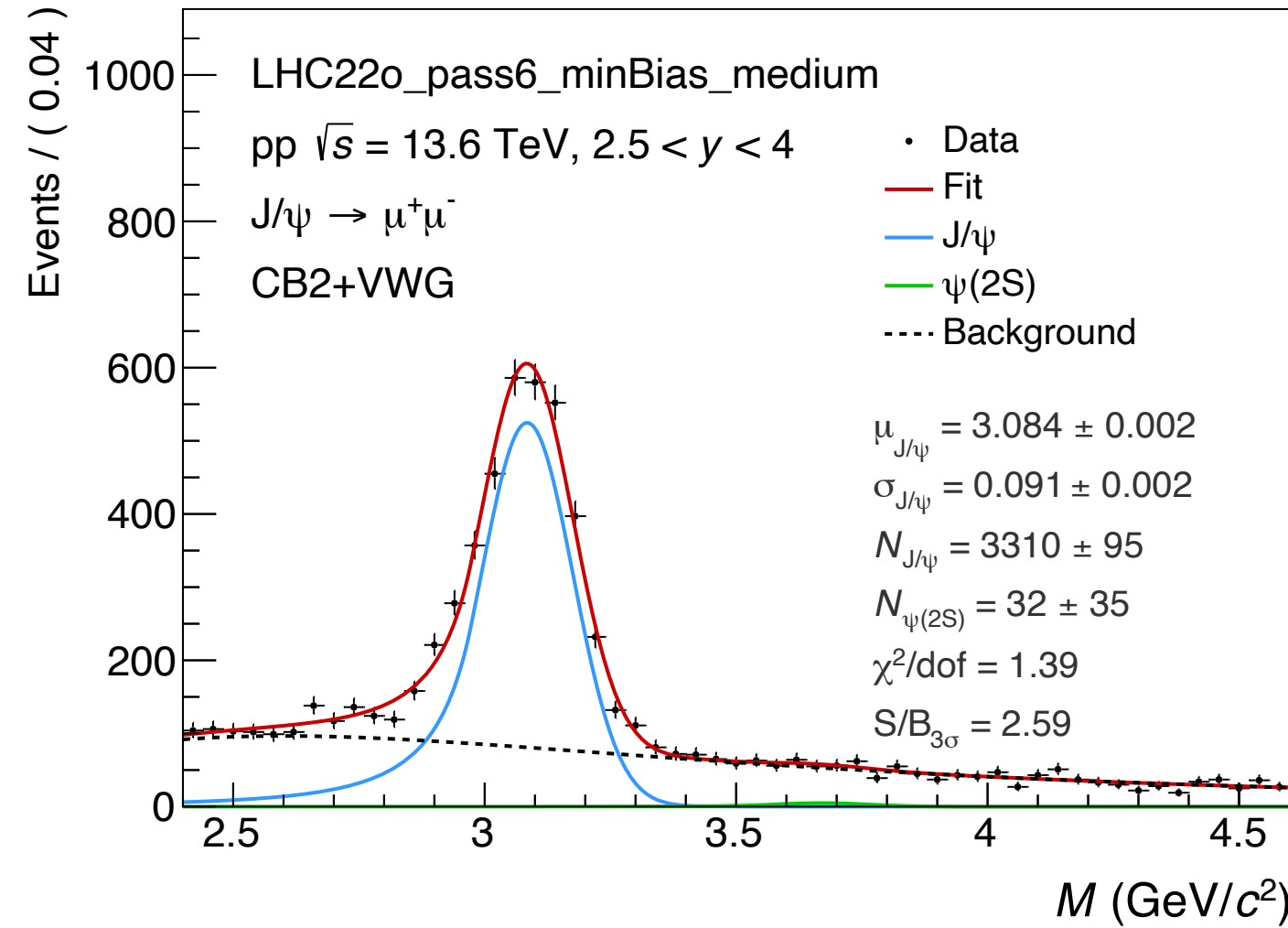
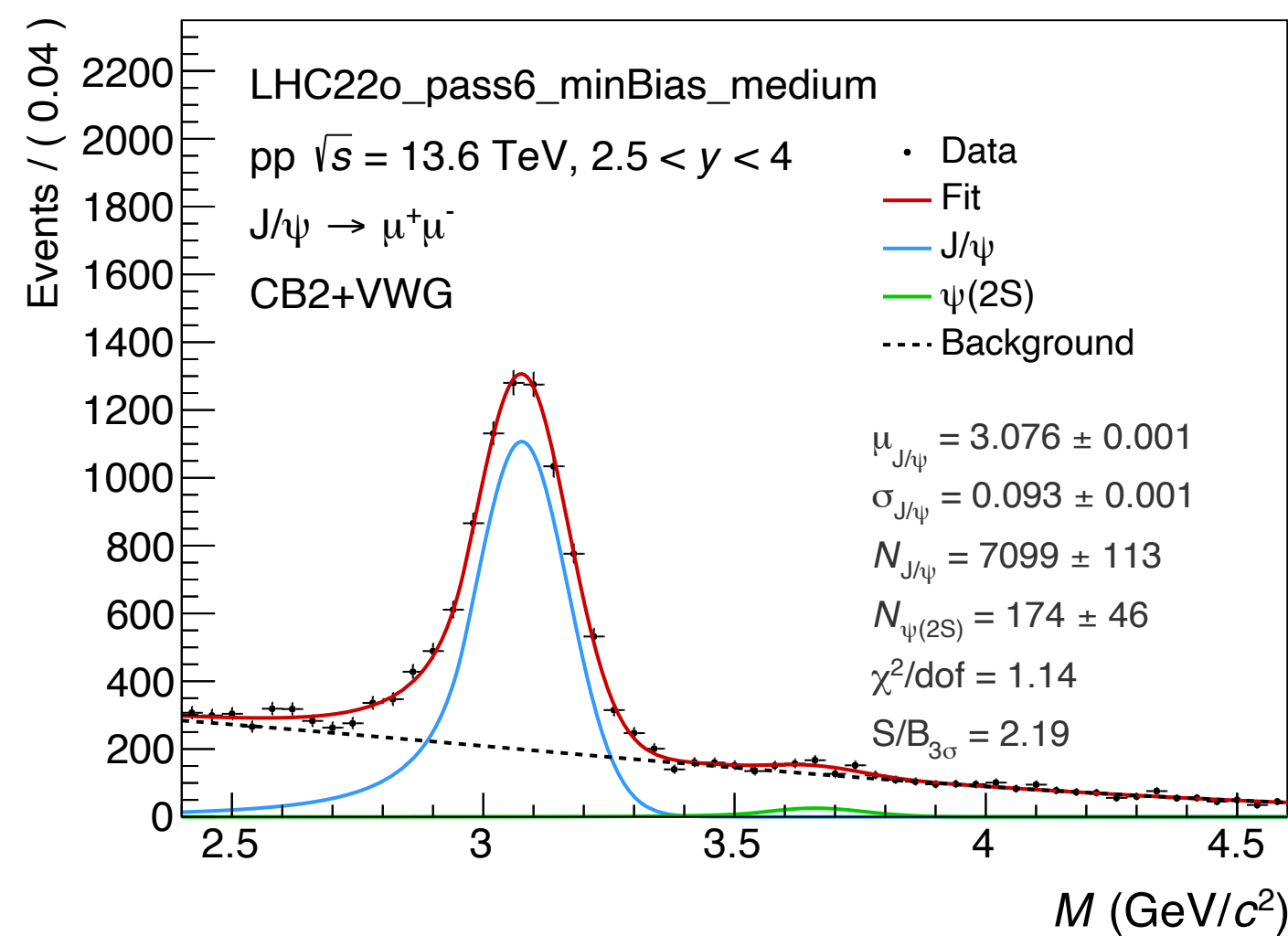
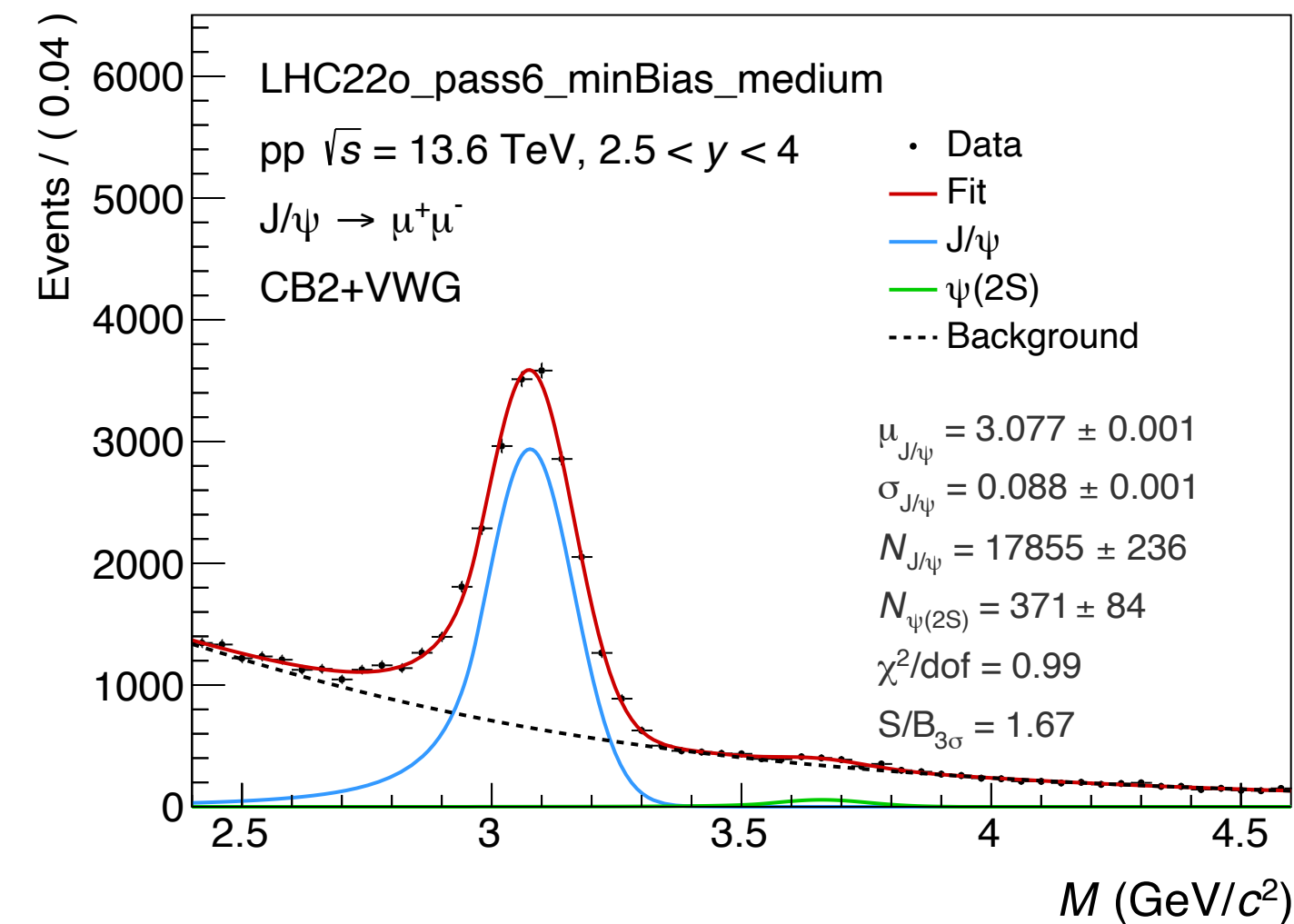
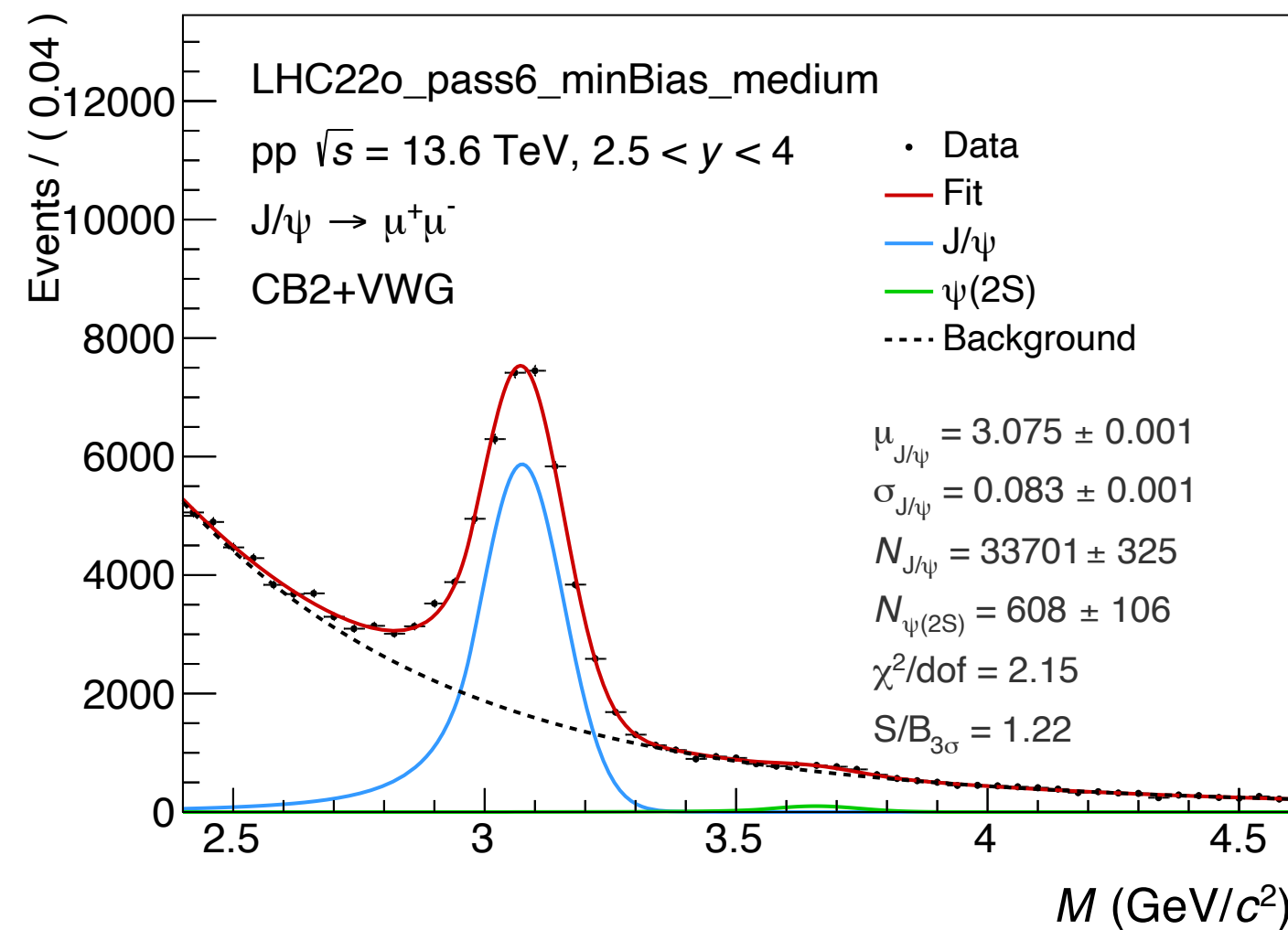
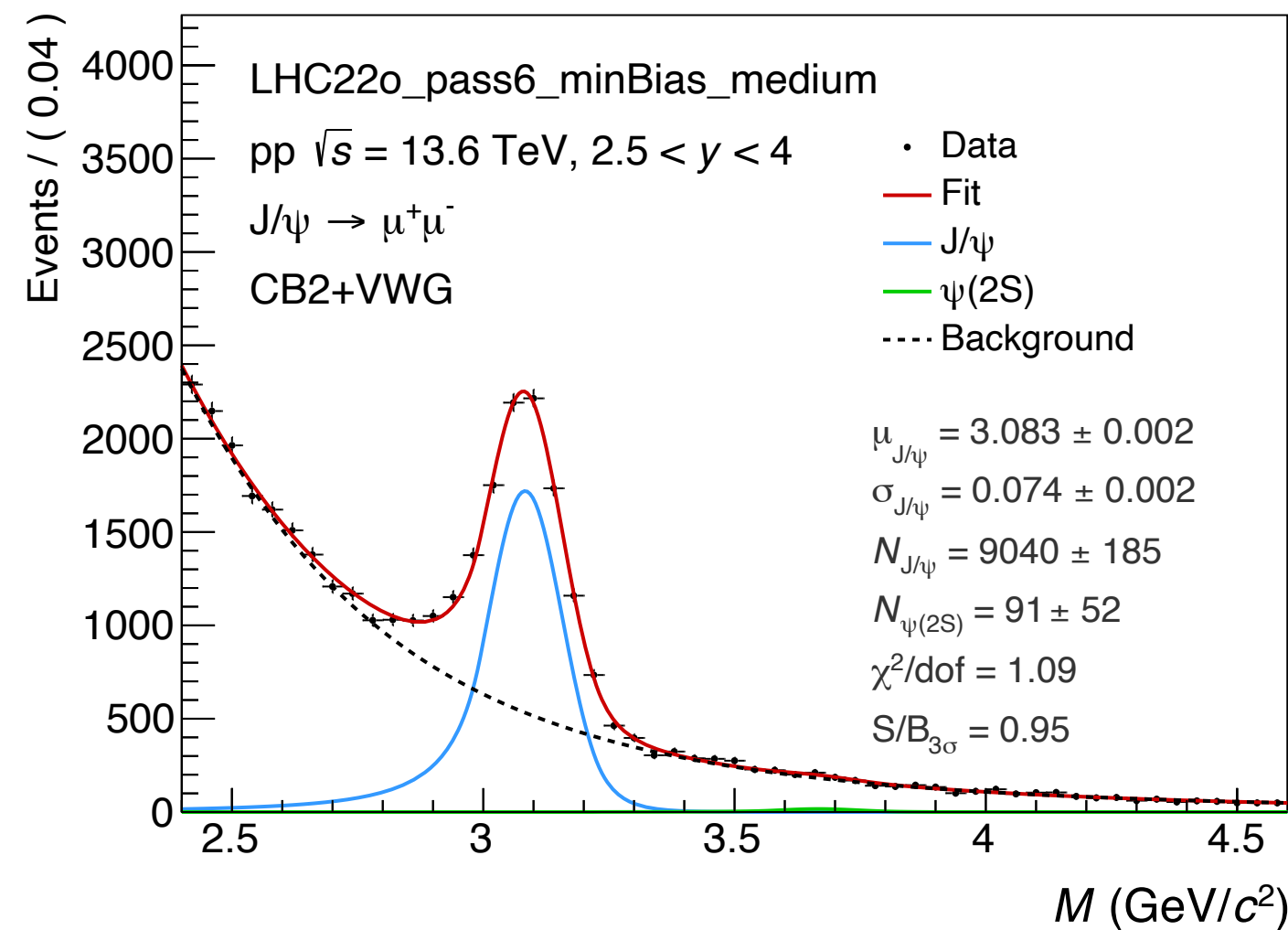
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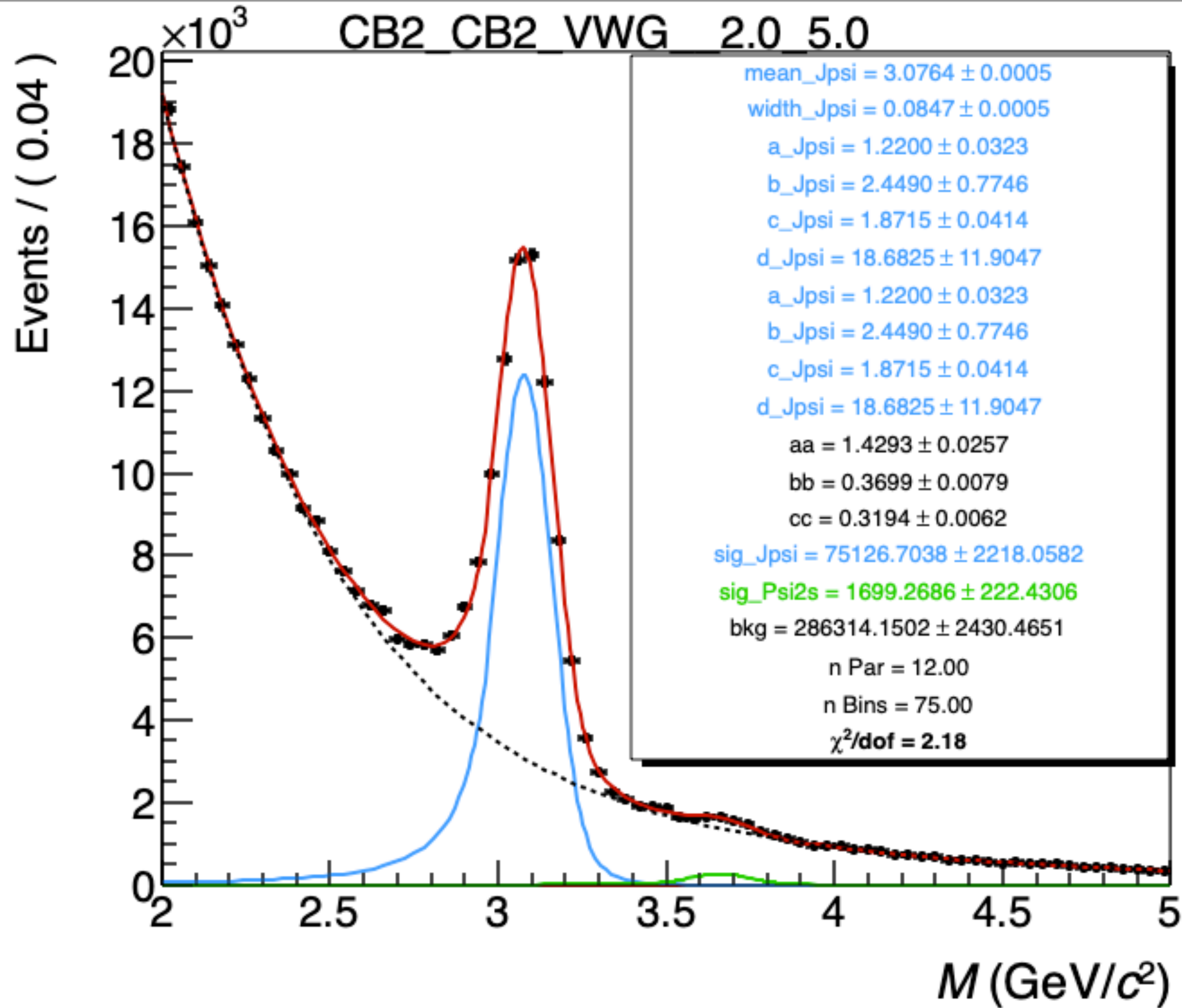
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Signal Extraction: p_T differential (Fit range: 2.4 - 4.6 GeV/c^2)



J/ψ and ψ(2S) Tail Parameters



Notation in according to fitting function

mean_Jpsi ($\mu_{J/\psi}$) = \tilde{x}

width_Jpsi ($\sigma_{J/\psi}$) = σ

a_Jpsi = t1

b_Jpsi = p1

c_Jpsi = t2

d_Jpsi = p2

aa = \tilde{x}

bb = A

cc = B

sig_Jpsi = $N_{J/\psi}$

sig_Psi2s = $N_{\psi(2S)}$

bkg = N_{bkg}

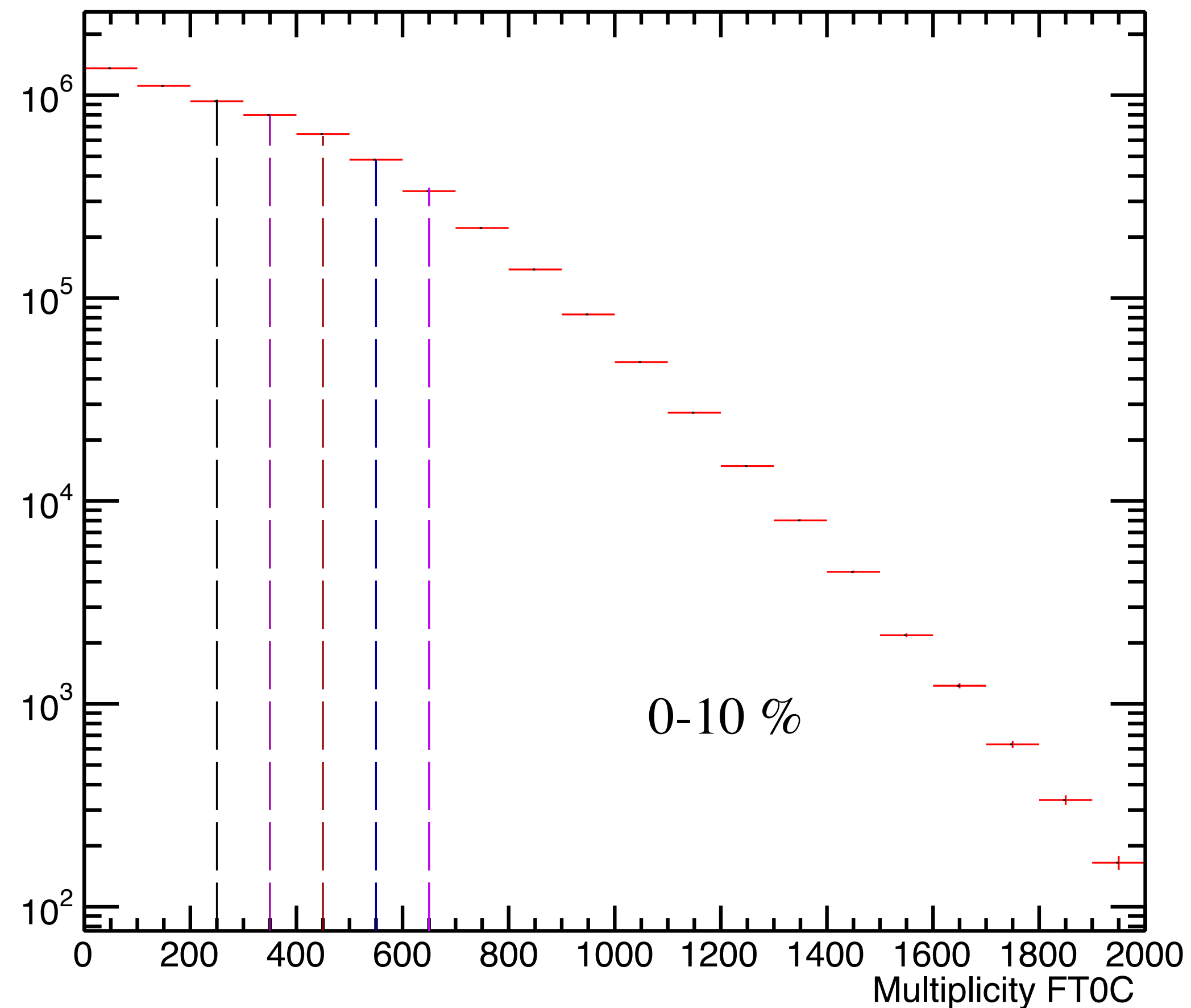
Issues with multiplicity class selections

- The multiplicity class selection is usually done by slicing the the multiplicity distribution on equal number of events (say 10 %)
- However, due to less number of multiplicity bins, getting the exact BinCenter is difficult.
- More fine binning is required
- However, Increasing the number of bins leads to crash of analysis task due to large output size

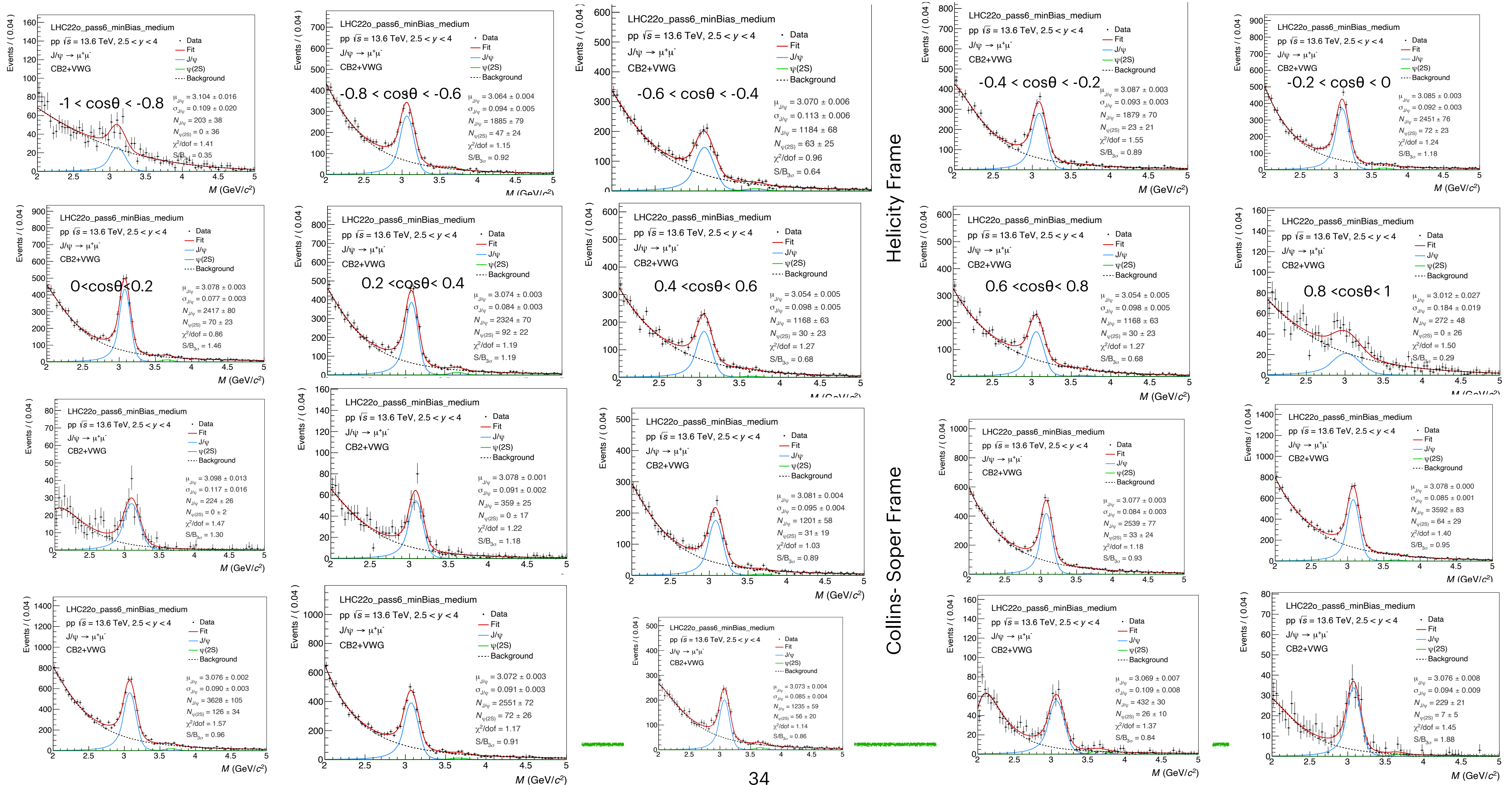
Possible Solution:

- Choose the low multiplicity classes with a narrower bin and wider bin for highest multiplicity classes to accommodate more particles.
- Similar multiplicity selection criterion is adopted in PWG-DQ Jpsi2e using TPC multiplicity.
- Presented in PWG DQ meeting - QM approval [performance-approval]

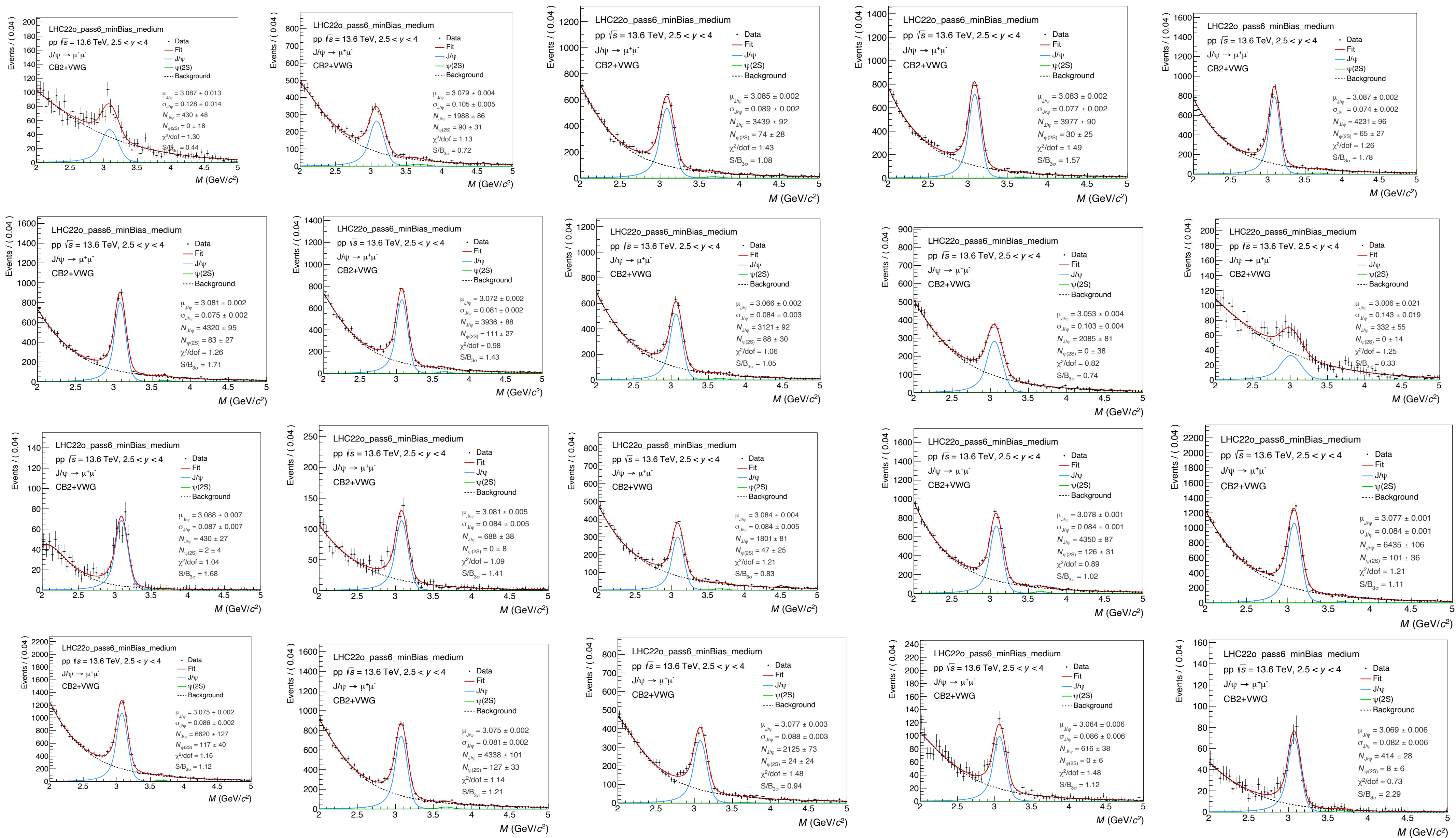
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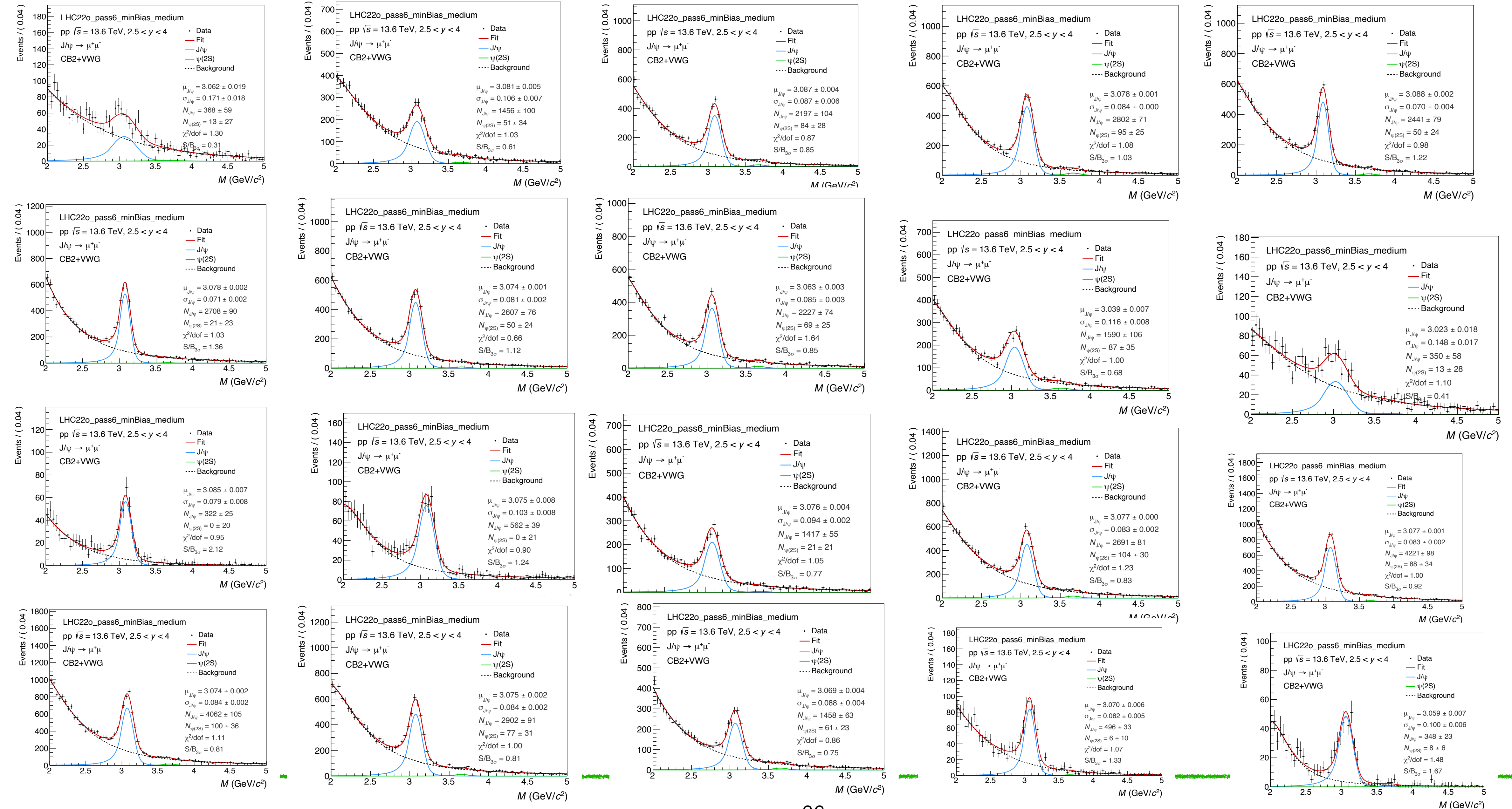
Signal Extraction: FT0C multiplicity and $\cos\theta$ differential ($0 < \text{Mult}_{\text{FT0C}} < 100$)



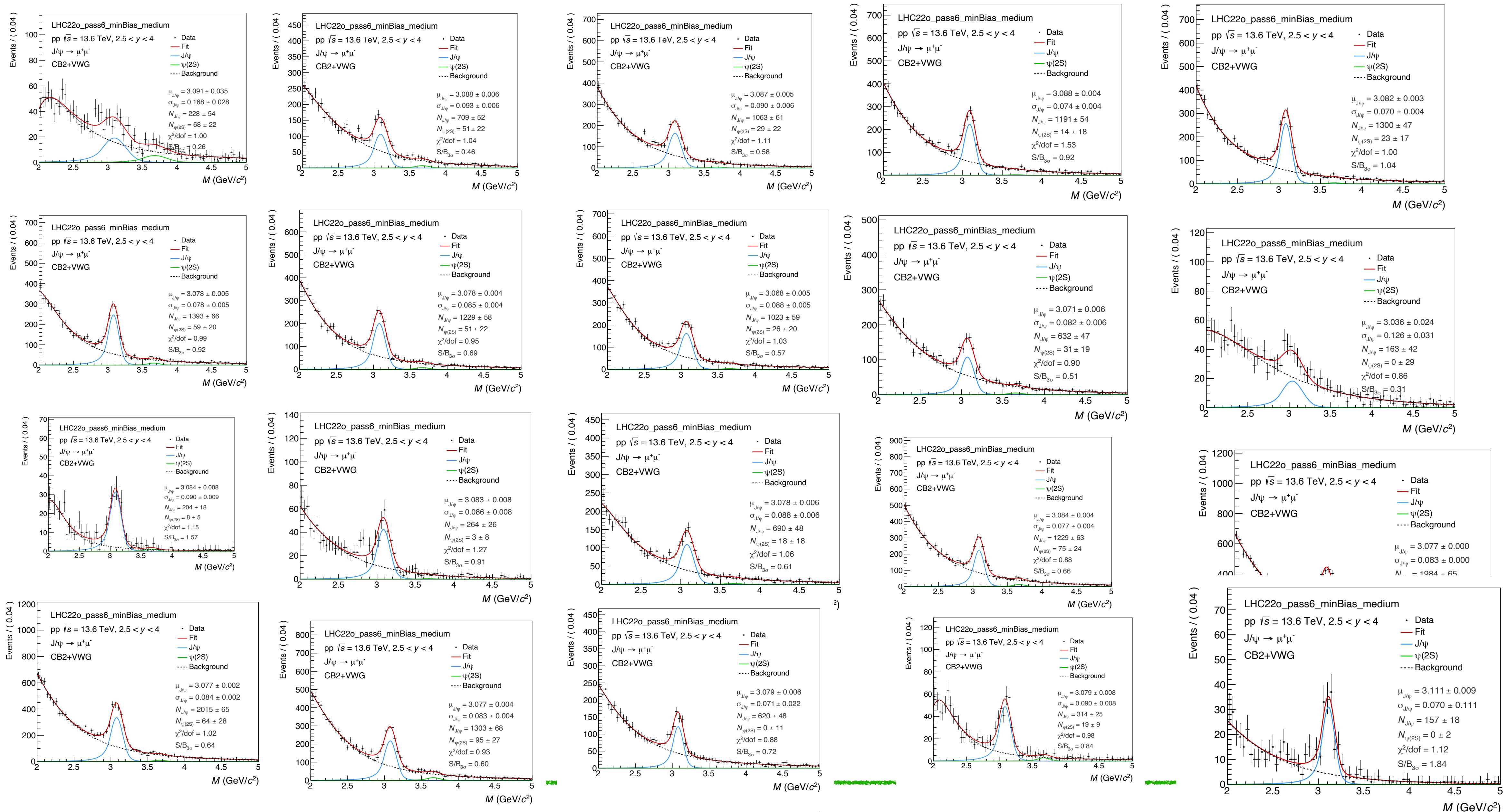
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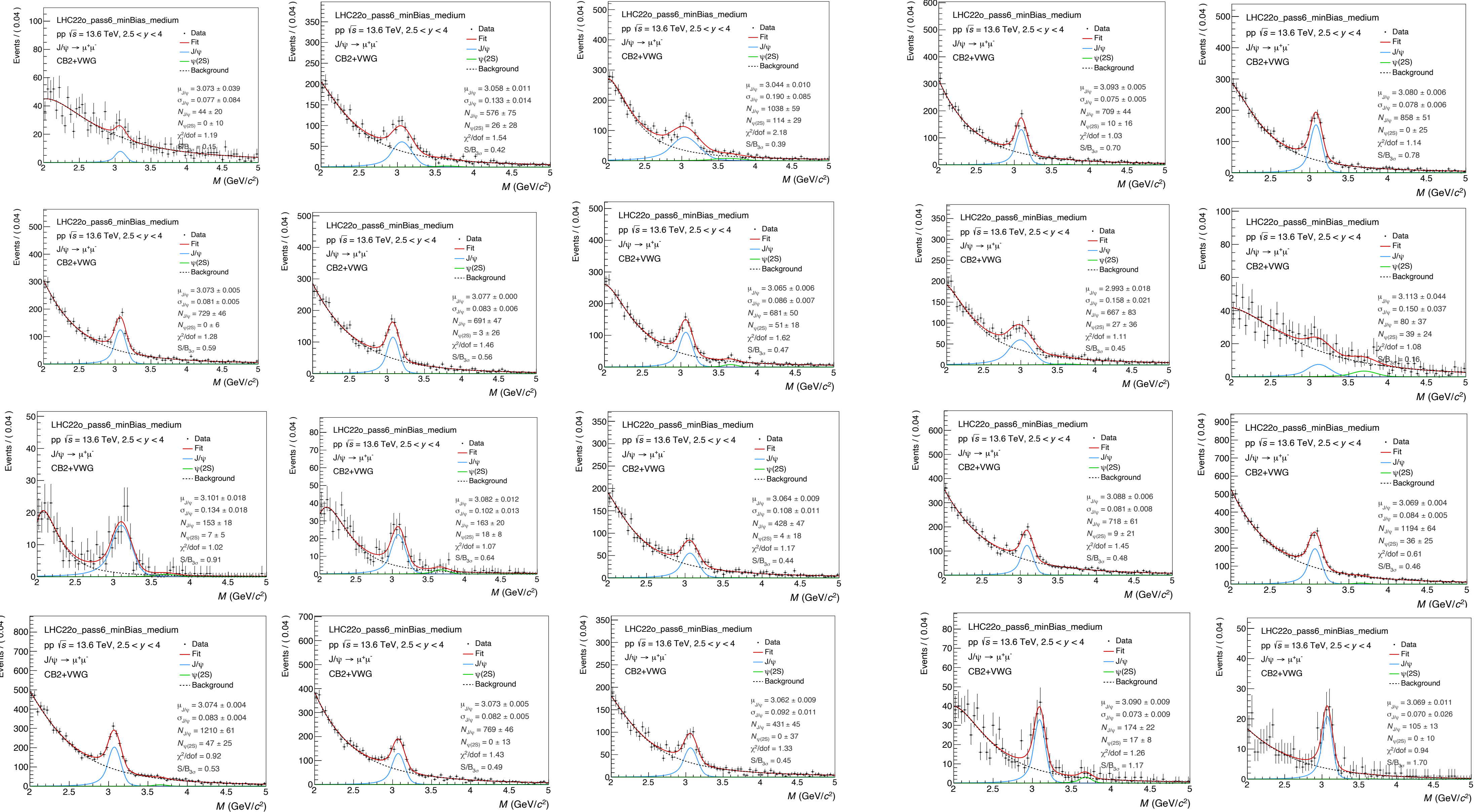
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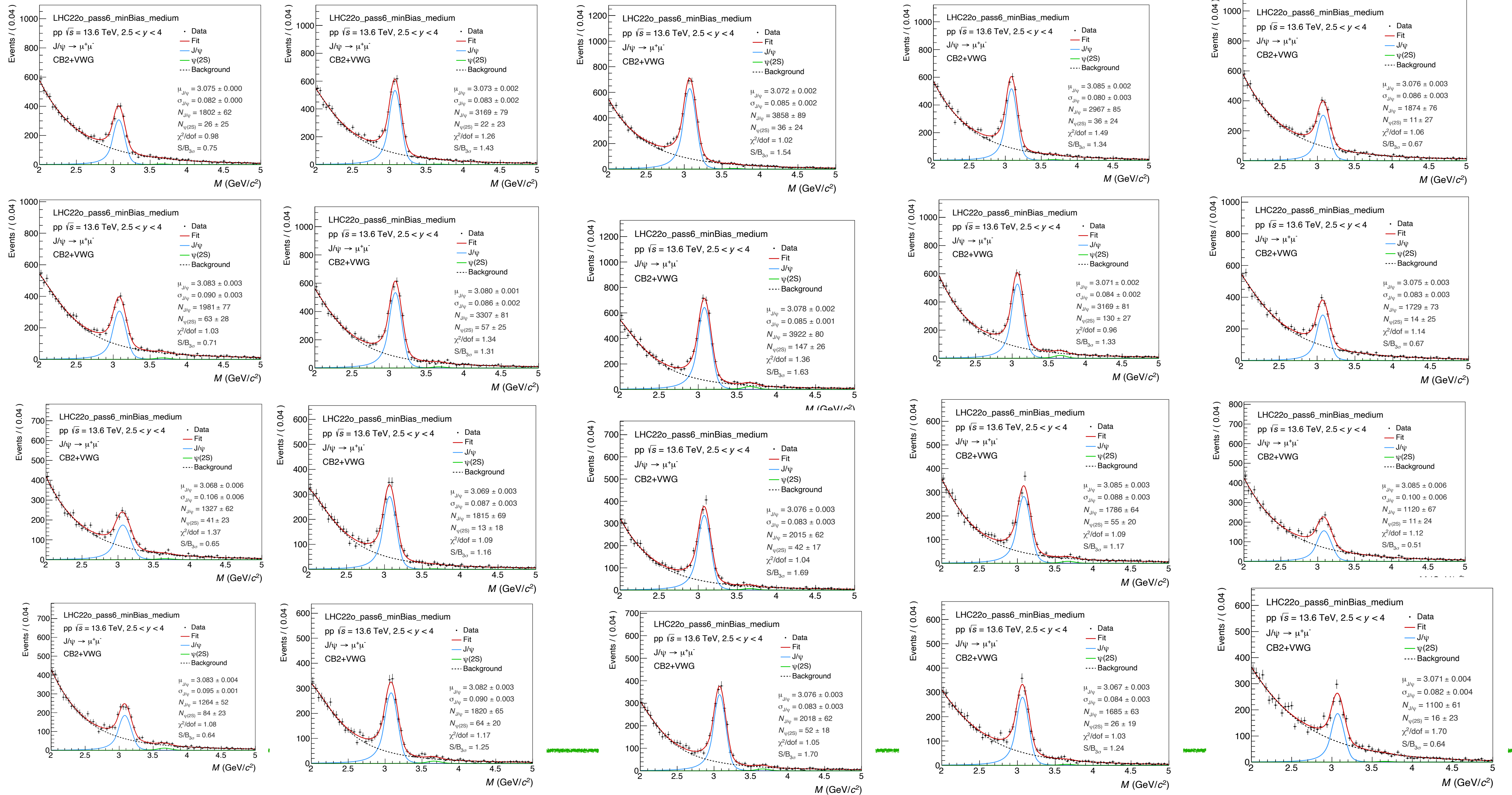
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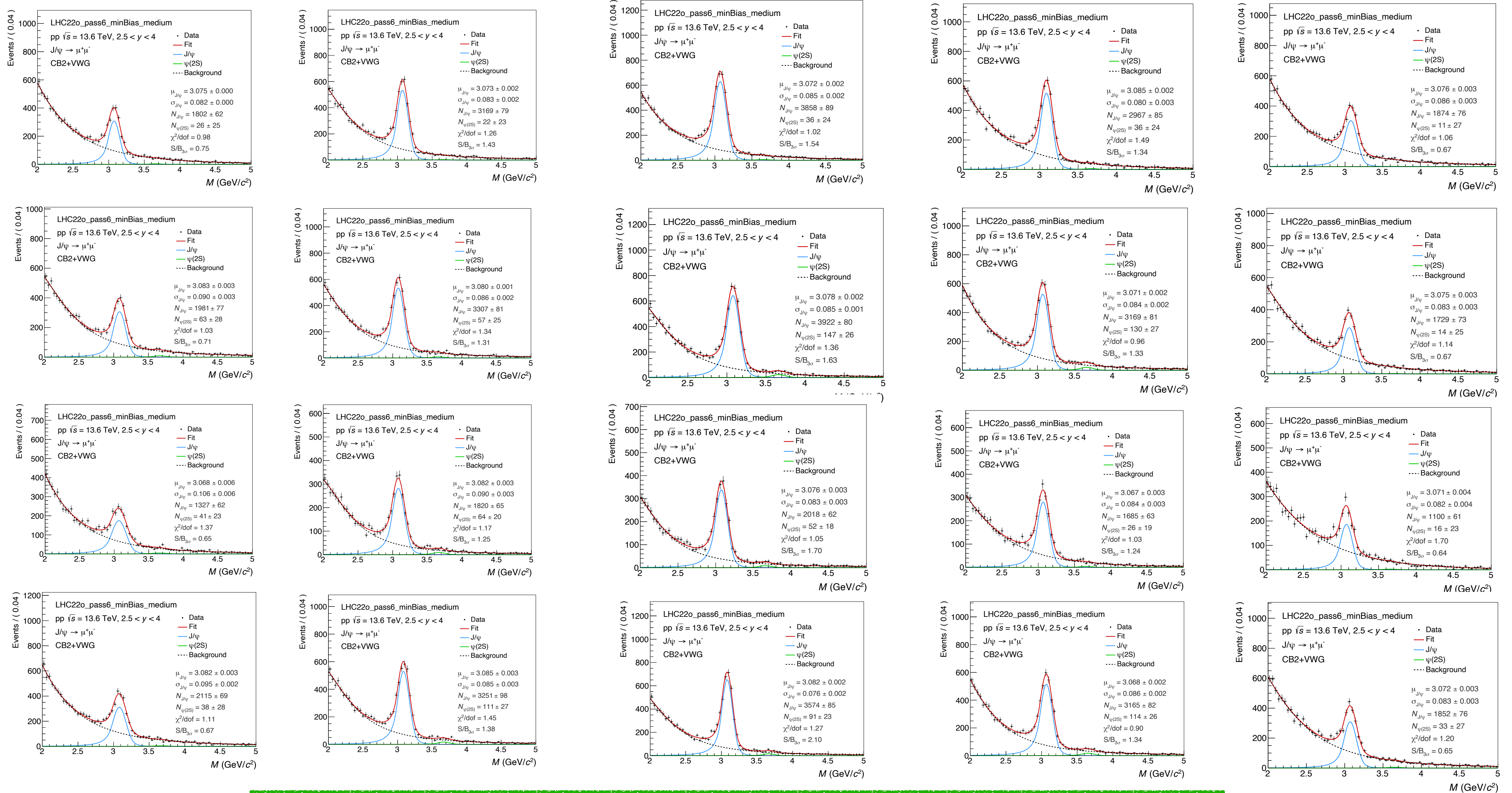
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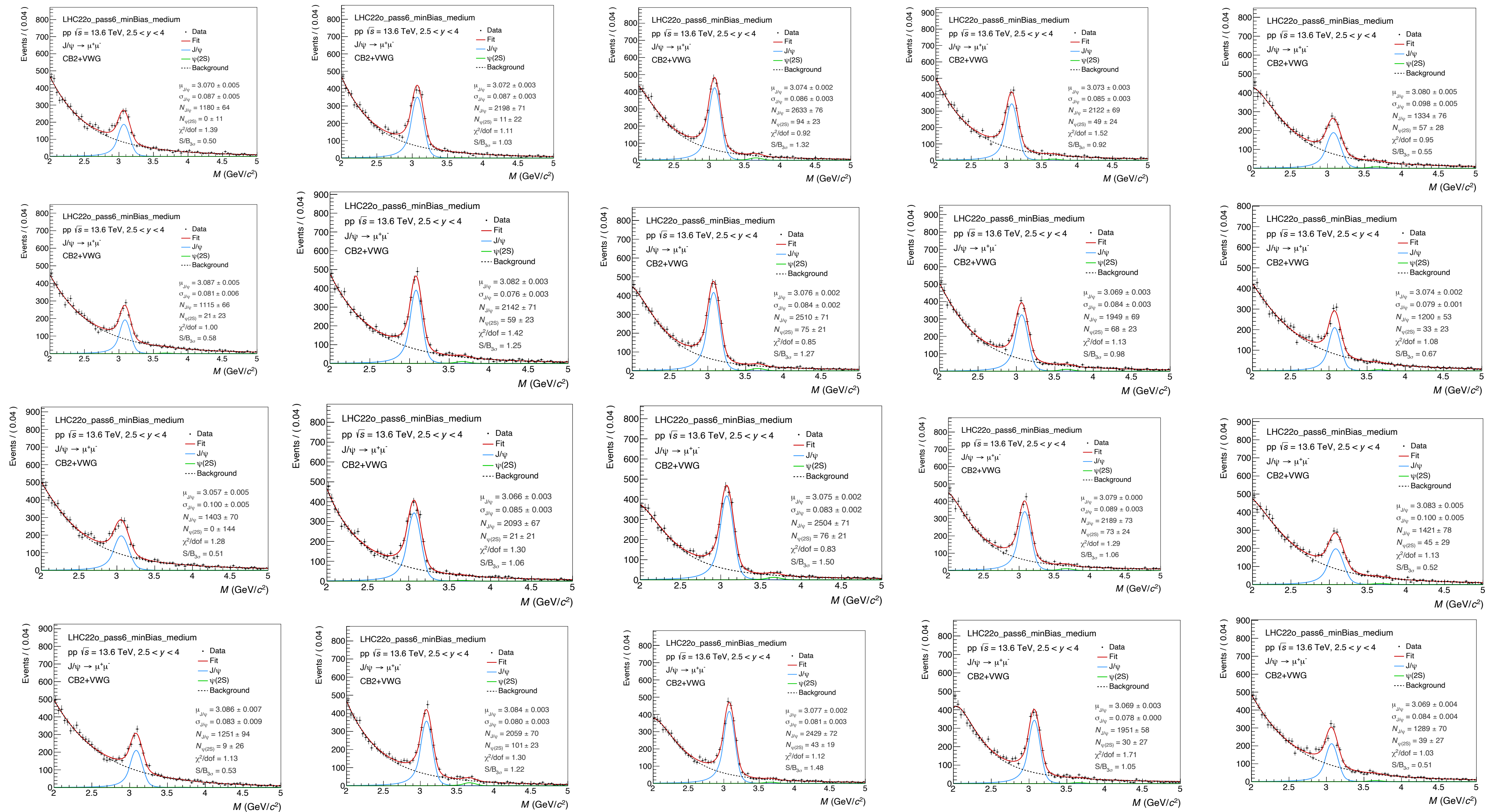
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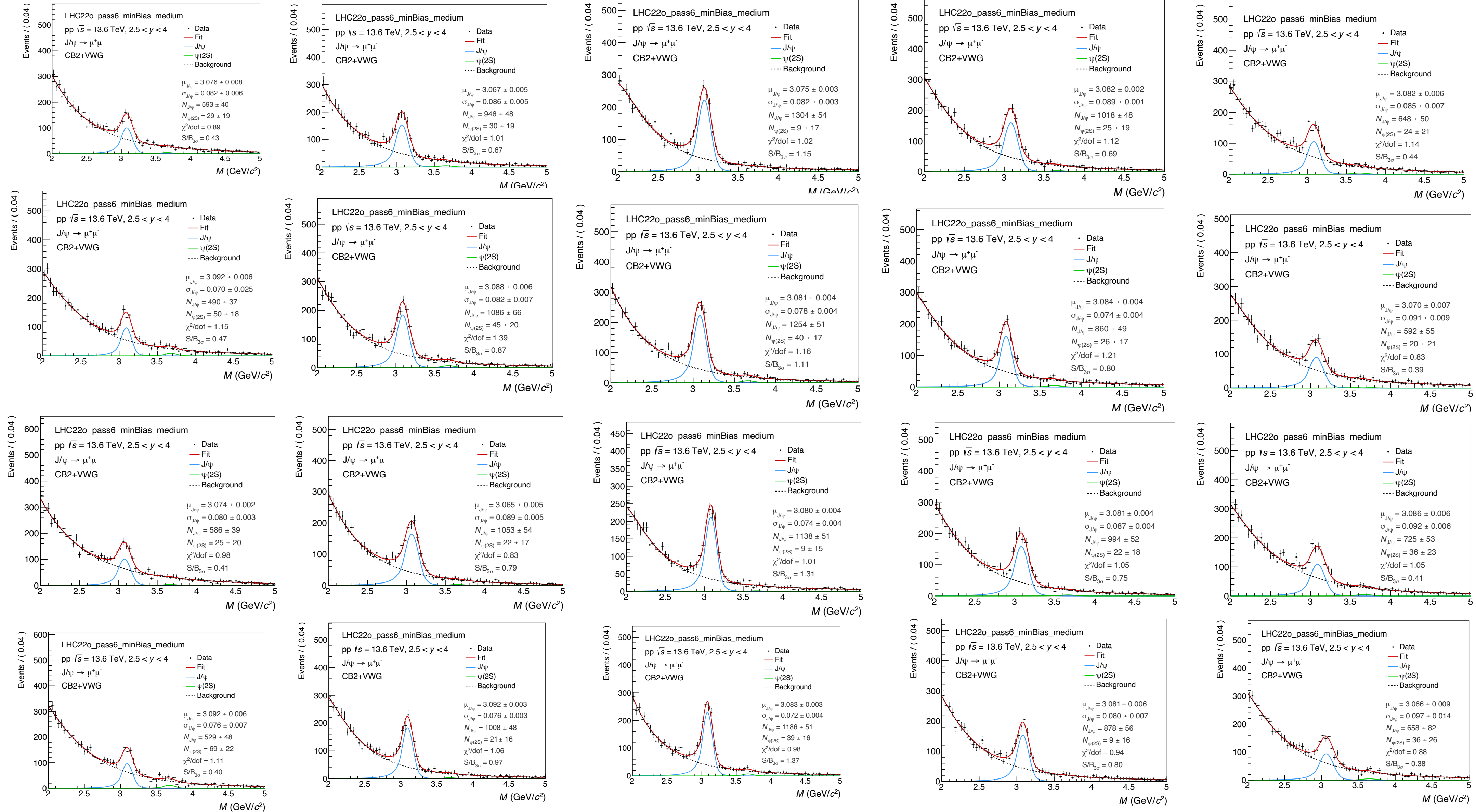
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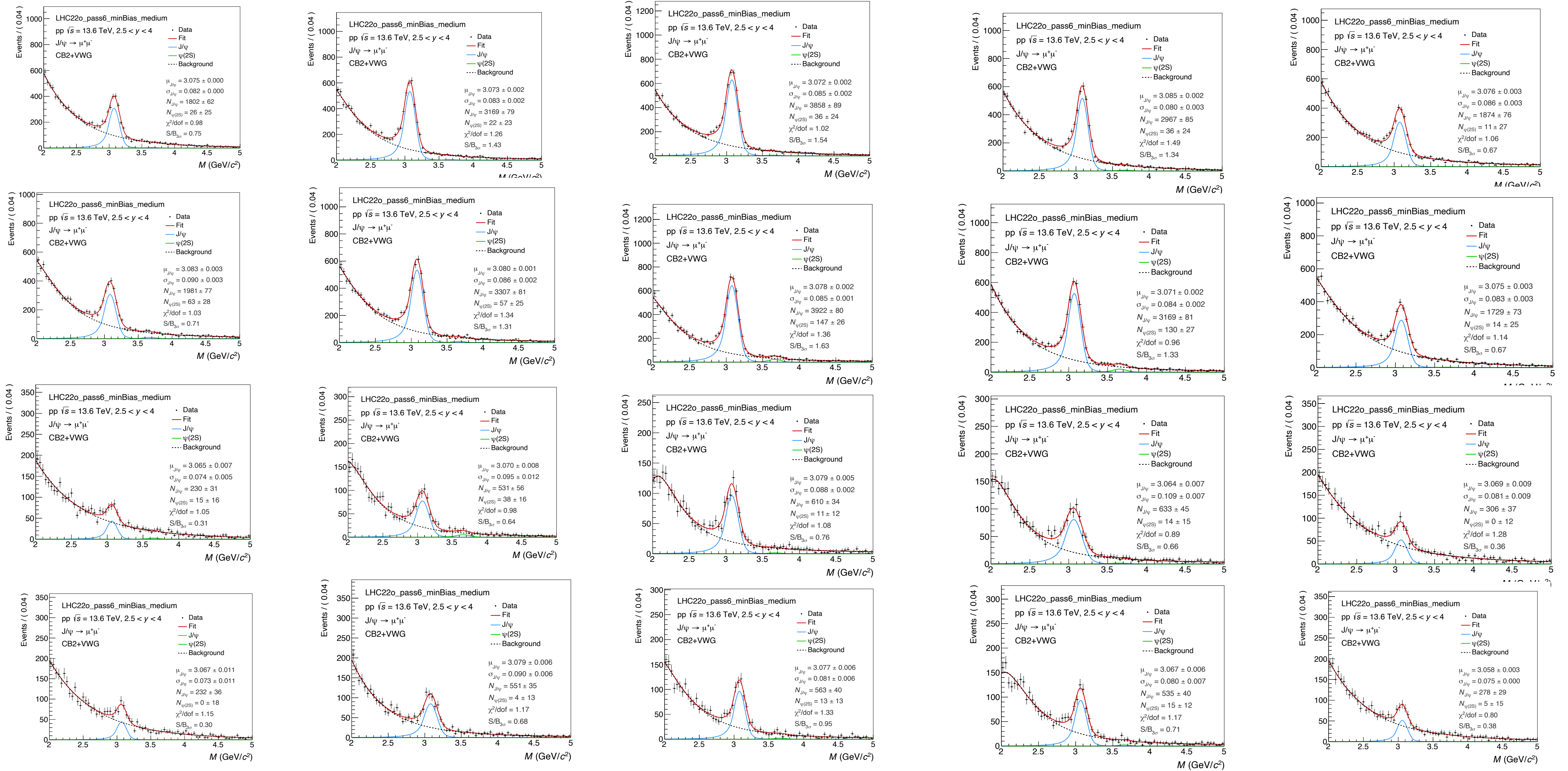
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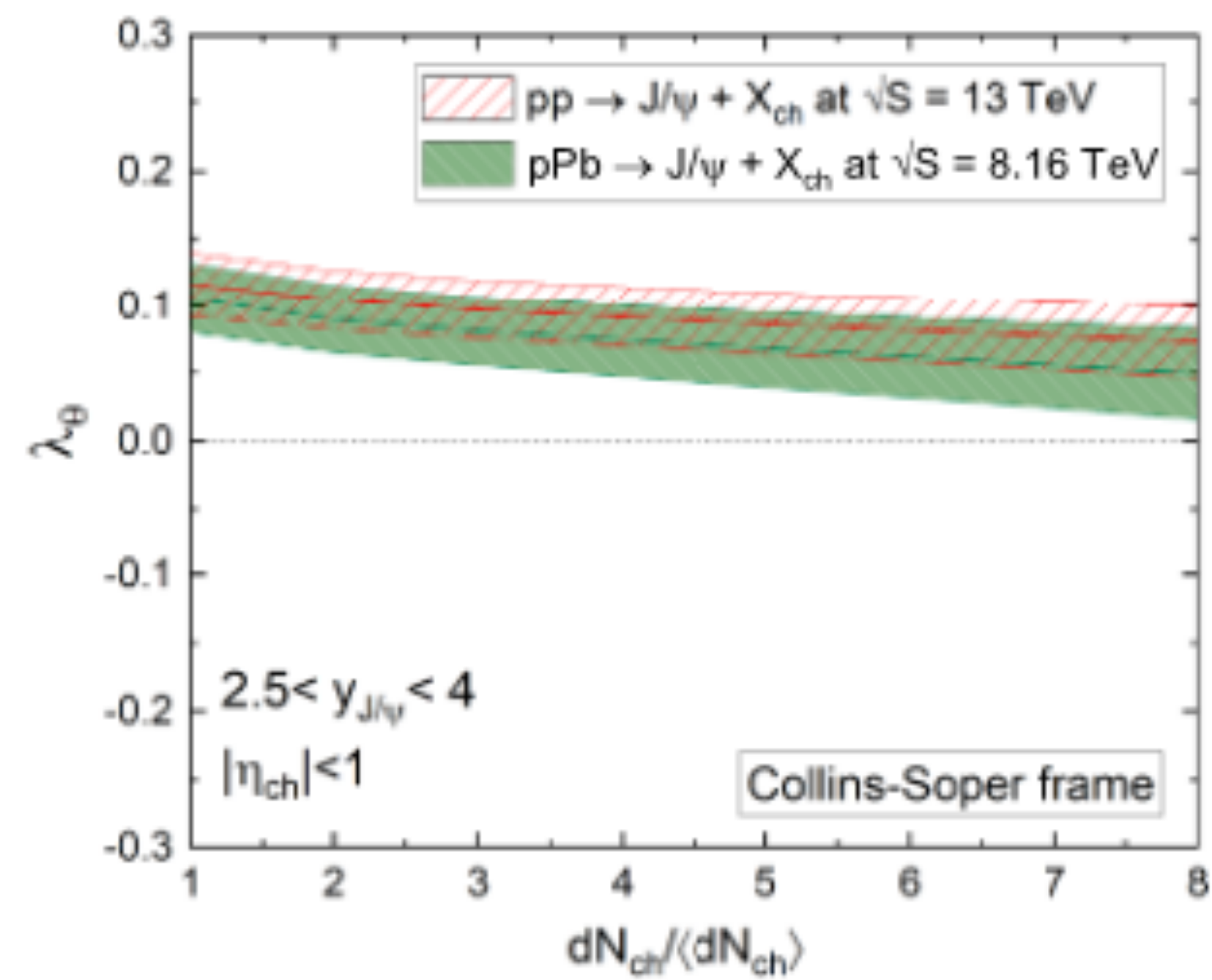
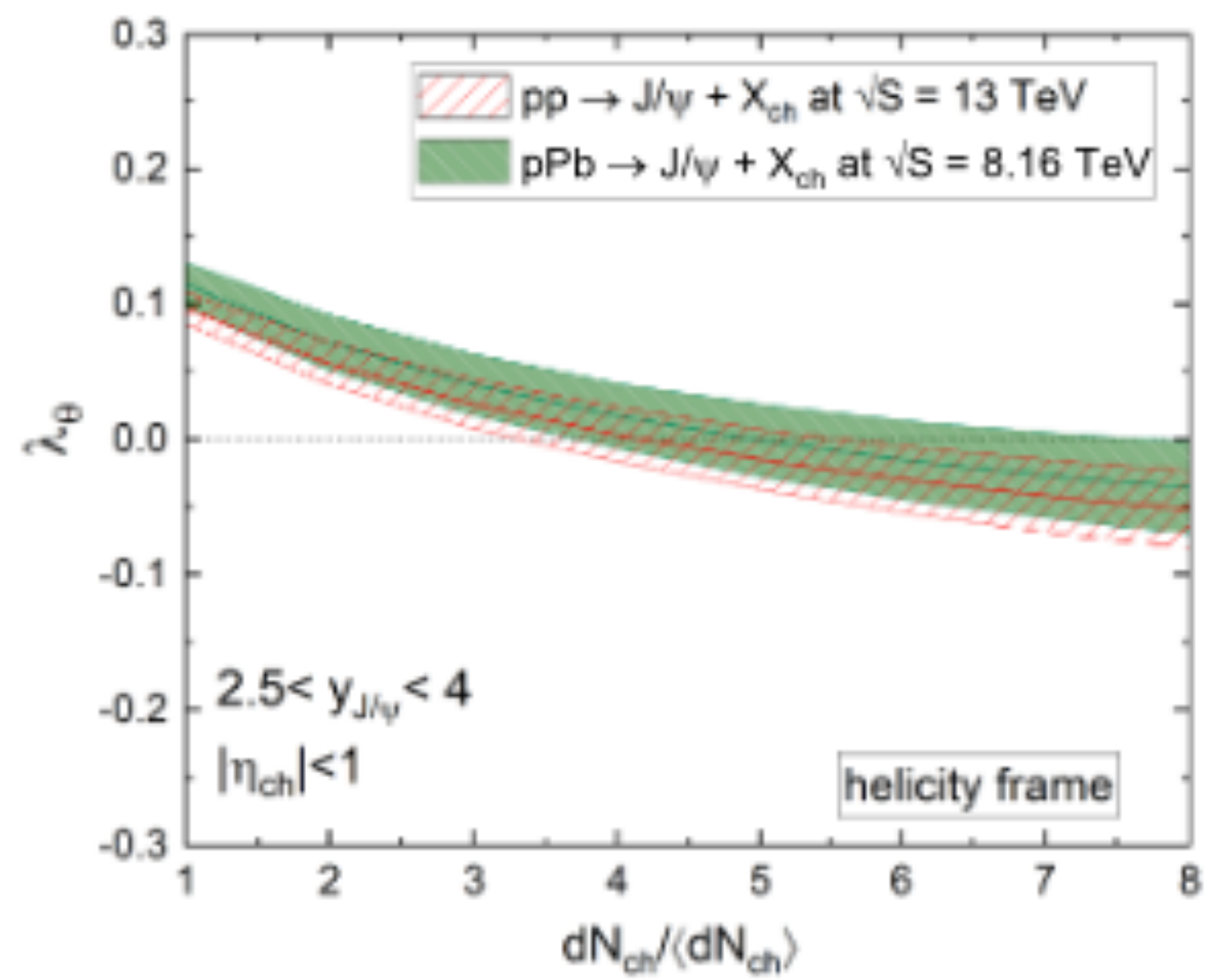
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CGC+NRQCD Predictions



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