

J/ψ production measurements in pp and PbPb collisions with ALICE at LHC

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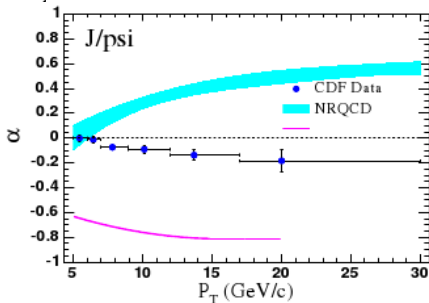
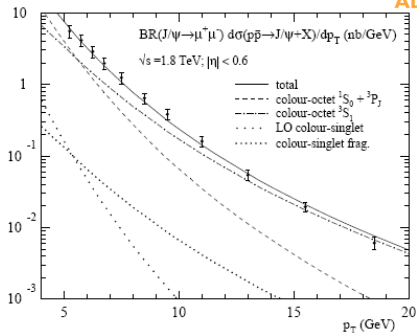
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Heavy quarkonium production is usually considered a two-stage process:

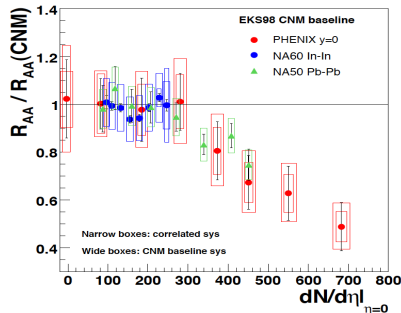
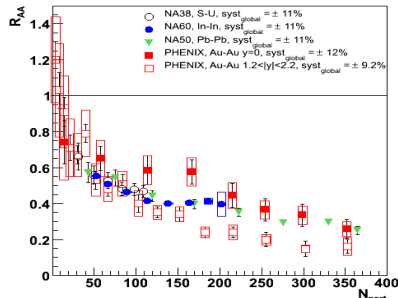
- Perturbative $q\bar{q}$ production
 - Non-perturbative evolution when the bound state is formed
- J/ψ represents a good laboratory to test non-perturbative QCD
 - Different models are available for the description of the production mechanism, but many issues are still open (χ -section in wide range of p_t , polarization...)
 - New energy domain at LHC: measurement of the production cross section and kinematical properties will give new clues

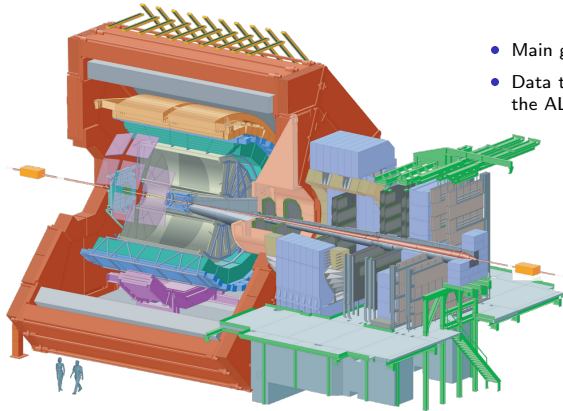


- Quarkonium suppression: one of the most promising probes of the QGP formation
- Not so easy: other effects such as Cold Nuclear Matter effects and $c\bar{c}$ regeneration play a role
- Suppression observed at SPS and RHIC but still many open issues
 - Suppression observed on top of CNM effects
 - Suppression at PHENIX not larger than at SPS
 - PHENIX measured larger suppression at forward rapidity

At LHC

- the cross section for $c\bar{c}$ production is 10 times larger with respect to RHIC
- higher energy density and lifetime of the fireball
- possible measurements in a wide range of p_t and y





- Main goal: **heavy-ion collisions**
- Data taking in p - p collisions also included in the ALICE physics programme

ALICE in numbers

- ~ 1300 members
- 116 institutes
- 33 countries
- 18 sub-detectors
- 10000 tons
- $16 \times 16 \times 26m^3$

Central Barrel

- $|\eta| \leq 0.9$
- Hadrons, electrons and photons
- $p_t \rightarrow 0$

Muon Spectrometer

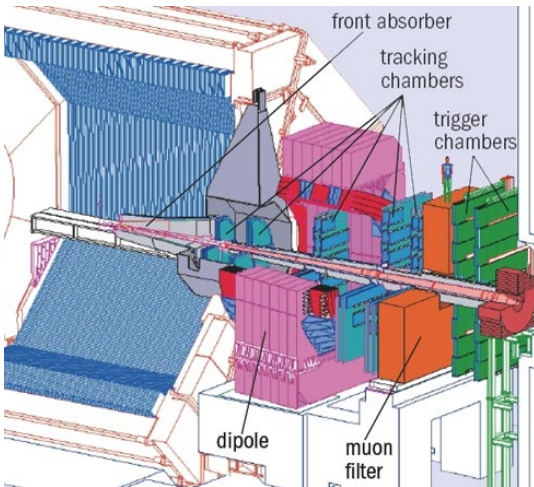
- $-4 \leq \eta \leq -2.5$
- Muons
- $p_{muons} > 4\text{GeV}/c$

Forward Detectors

- Large η
- Interaction trigger
- Event centrality

Muon Spectrometer

- Quarkonia (J/ψ , ψ' and $\Upsilon(1S)$, $\Upsilon(2S)$, $\Upsilon(3S)$) down to $p_t = 0$
- Open heavy flavours via single muons and dimuons
- Electroweak bosons (Z^0 and W^\pm)



Expected mass resolutions

	Single muon p_t cut
$\sim 70 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \rightarrow J/\psi$	1 GeV/c
$\sim 100 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \rightarrow \Upsilon$	2 GeV/c

Dipole

- $B = 3 \text{ T m}$

Tracking System

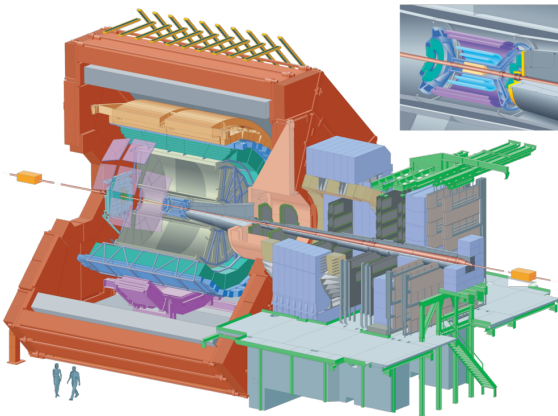
- 5 stations of 2 planes of Cathode Pad Chambers (CPC) each
- **1.1M** read-out channels
- spatial resolution $< 100 \mu\text{m}$ (bending plane)

Trigger System

- 2 stations of 2 planes of Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC) each
- **21k** read-out channels
- 2 programmable p_t cuts
- 5 different trigger signals sent in $\sim 800 \text{ ns}$

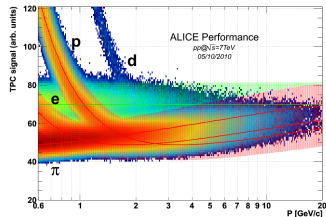
Inner Tracking System

- two layers each of silicon pixel, drift and strip detectors
- between 4 and 44 cm from the interaction point
- vertexing detector (primary and secondary)
- used in minimum bias trigger



Time Projection Chamber

- 90 m³ of active volume
- 72 multiwire proportional readout chambers in 18 sectors
- main tracking detector
- PID via specific energy loss (dE/dx)



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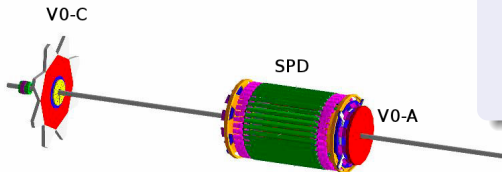
J/ψ in p-p collisions

- ALICE took data in p-p runs at two energies:
 $\sqrt{s} = 2.76$ and 7 TeV
- Analysis results at 7 TeV published (PLB704 (2011) 442)
- At 2.76 TeV preliminary results
- Integrated luminosity used for cross section determination

	$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	$J/\psi \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
$\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$	15.6 nb^{-1}	5.6 nb^{-1}
$\sqrt{s} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$	20.2 nb^{-1}	1.1 nb^{-1}

Event selection

- Minimum bias trigger (MB):
OR between SPD (pixels) and V0s (scintillators)
- At least one particle in 8η units
- Additional requirement for muon analysis: Single Muon trigger
- In coincidence with a MB
- Hardware p_t threshold:
 $\approx 0.5 \text{ GeV}/c$



J/ψ in p-p collisions

Kinematical and track quality cuts

$$J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$$

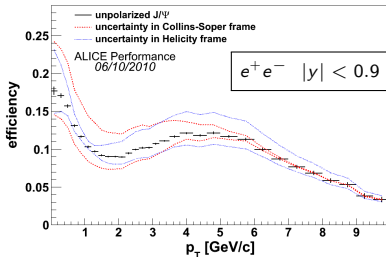
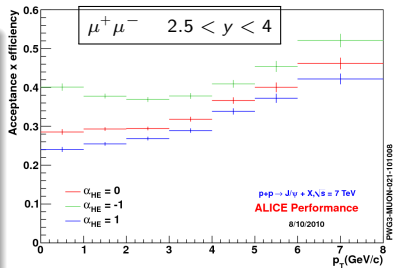
- $|\eta_e| < 0.9$
- $p_{T_e} > 1 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $|y_{J/\psi}| < 0.9$
- Tracks ITS+TPC
- PID based on dE/dx
- Rejection of e^+e^- from γ

$$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$$

- $2.5 < \eta_\mu < 4$
- $2.5 < y_{J/\psi} < 4$
- At least one muon matching the trigger
- Cut at the end of the absorber

acceptance X efficiency

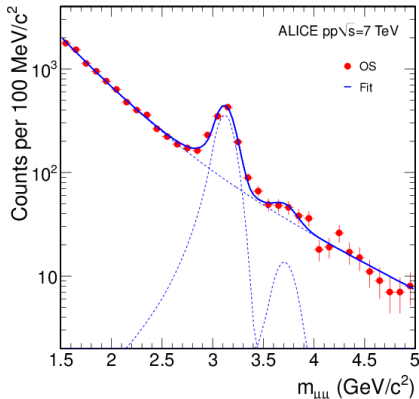
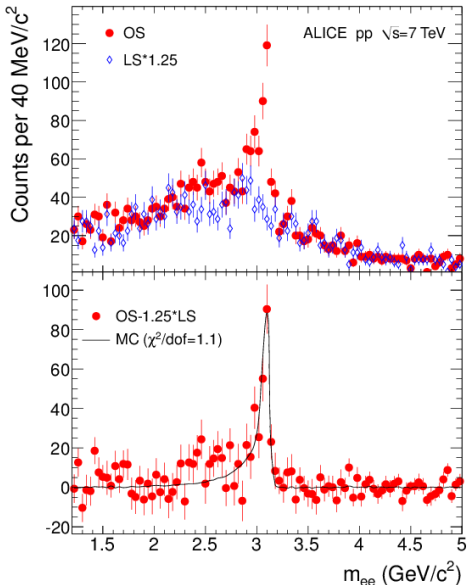
- In the the forward spectrometer it is slowly dependent on p_t and goes down to $p_t=0$
- At mid-rapidity, ALICE is unique at LHC for low p_t reached



J/ψ in p-p collisions - Signal Extraction

$J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$

$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$



- e^+e^- : signal extraction using bin counting after background subtraction. MC shape reproduces the data.
- $\mu^+\mu^-$: fit with Cristal-Ball functions ψ and ψ' ; background described with a sum of two exponentials

$$\sigma_{J/\psi} = \frac{N_{J/\psi}}{Acc \times \epsilon} \times \sigma_{MB}$$

σ_{MB}

Determination from van Der Meer scans

	σ_{MB}
7 TeV	62.3 ± 4.3 mb
2.76 TeV	54.2 ± 3.8 mb

(arXiv:1107.0692)

Inclusive J/ψ production cross section

- $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV (PLB704 (2011) 442)

$$\sigma_{J/\psi}(2.5 < y < 4) = 6.31 \pm 0.22(stat) \pm 0.76(syst)_{-1.96}^{+0.95}(syst.pol.) \mu b$$

$$\sigma_{J/\psi}(|y| < 0.9) = 10.7 \pm 1.0(stat) \pm 1.6(syst)_{-2.3}^{+1.6}(syst.pol.) \mu b$$

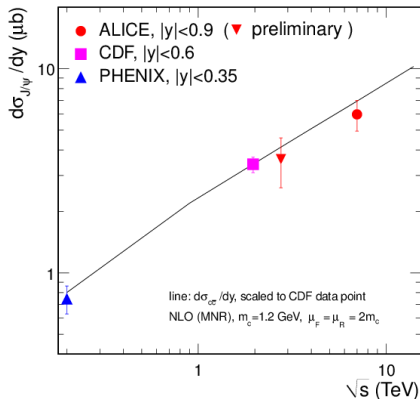
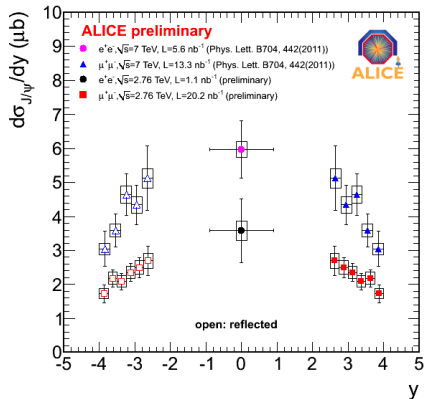
- $\sqrt{s} = 2.76$ TeV (preliminary; arXiv:1107.0137)

$$\sigma_{J/\psi}(2.5 < y < 4) = 3.46 \pm 0.13(stat) \pm 0.32(syst) \pm 0.28(lumi)_{-1.11}^{+0.55}(syst.pol.) \mu b$$

$$\sigma_{J/\psi}(|y| < 0.9) = 6.44 \pm 1.42(stat) \pm 0.88(syst) \pm 0.52(lumi)_{-1.42}^{+0.64}(syst.pol.) \mu b$$

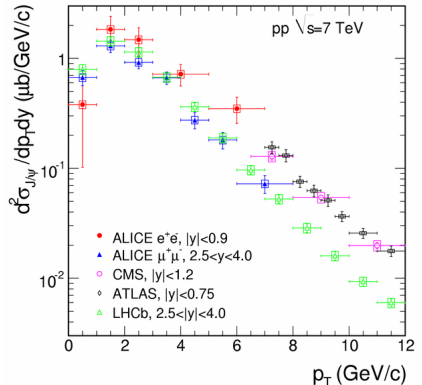
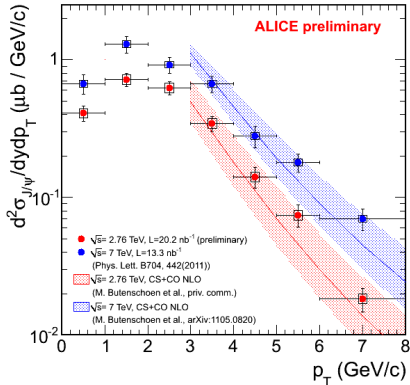
- ALICE can measure J/ψ in a wide range of rapidity

- NLO calculations lie on top of the data at different energies



J/ψ in p-p collisions - Cross Sections - p_T distribution

- $d^2\sigma/dydp_T$ extracted at forward rapidities for both the energies
- NRQCD calculations well reproduce the data (for $p_T > 3\text{ GeV}/c$)
- Fair agreement at 7 TeV with other LHC experiments
- At forward rapidities with LHCb
- At mid-rapidity ALICE is complementary to ATLAS and CMS

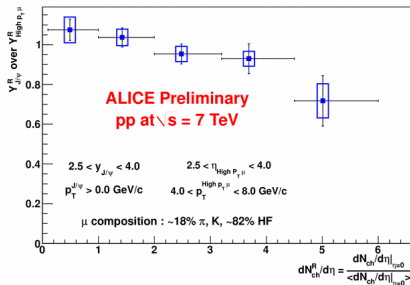
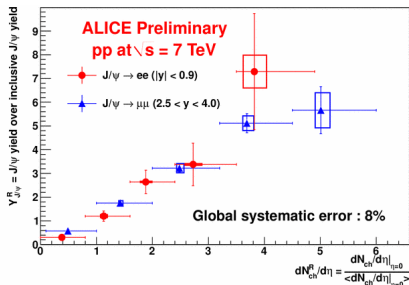


J/ψ in p-p collisions - Multiplicity dependence

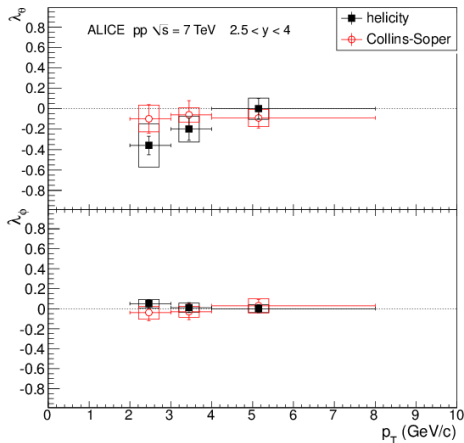
J/ψ yield as a function of the charged particle multiplicity

- $dN_{ch}/d\eta^{max} \sim 30$ at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV; comparable with semi-central CuCu collisions at 200GeV
- A linear increase is observed
- A smaller increase of the J/ψ yield with respect to high- p_t muons

Solid explanations not yet available. Input from theorists needed

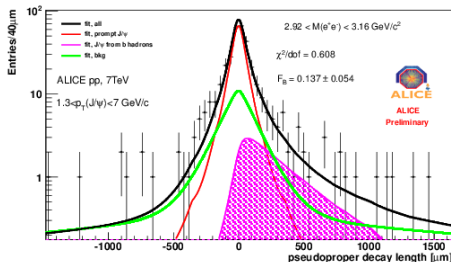


- J/ψ polarization studied in two different reference frames: Collins-Soper (CS) and Helicity (HE)
- Fresh results submitted for publication: [arXiv:1111.1630](https://arxiv.org/abs/1111.1630)
- The polarization parameters λ_θ and λ_ϕ were extracted in 3 p_t bins (from 2 to 8 GeV/c)
- Results show a slight increase of λ_θ with p_t in the helicity reference frame



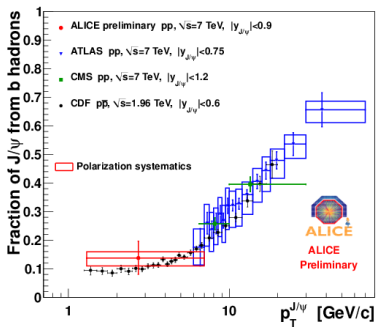
J/ψ in p-p collisions - Non-prompt J/ψ

- At mid-rapidity ($|y| < 0.9$) excellent vertexing capabilities of the ITS
- It is possible to extract the non-prompt fraction of the total inclusive J/ψ cross section
- Simultaneous likelihood fit of the invariant mass and the pseudo-proper decay length



- The measurement extends the p_T reach of the LHC experiments at central rapidity down to 1.3 GeV/c
- It is also in agreement with CDF results

$$F_B = 0.137 \pm 0.054(\text{stat}) + 0.025 - 0 - 018(\text{syst})_{-0.021}^{+0.040}(\text{pol})$$



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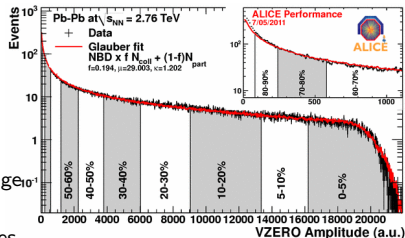
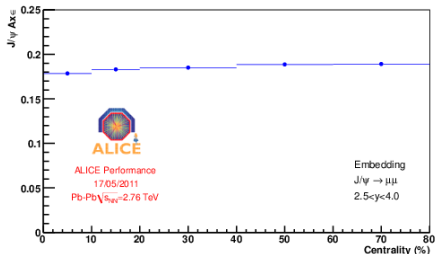
J/ψ in Pb-Pb collisions $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV

Trigger

- Minimum Bias: AND between V0s and SPD
- $\sim 17 \cdot 10^6$ MB events, Int. Lumi. $\sim 2.7 \mu b^{-1}$

Centrality

- Glauber model fit to VZERO amplitude
- EM contribution negligible in the centrality range 0-80%
- Limited statistics for J/ψ : less centrality classes
- $\mu^+ \mu^-$: [0, 10] [10, 20] [20, 40] [40, 80]%
- $e^+ e^-$: [0, 40] [40, 80]%



Track selection

- $\mu^+ \mu^-$
- Both muons matching the trigger
- As in p-p : $2.5 < y_{J/\psi} < 4$, $2.5 < \eta_\mu < 4$, cut on position at the end of the absorber
- $e^+ e^-$
- ITS+TPC tracks, PID by TPC
- $|\eta_e| < 0.8$

Acceptance

- Standard MC and real event embedding
- $\mu^+ \mu^-$ small decrease ($\sim 5\%$) for central events

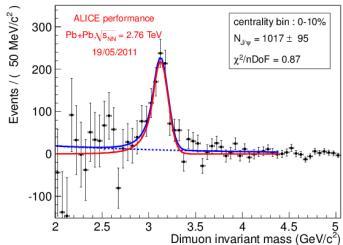
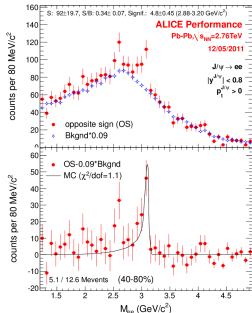
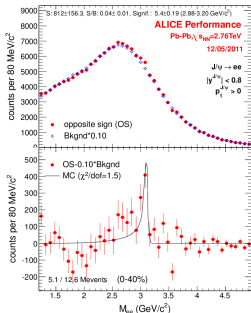
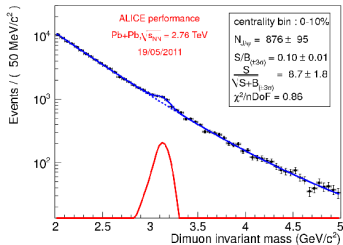
J/ψ in Pb-Pb collisions $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV - Signal Extraction

$\mu^+ \mu^-$

- Crystal-Ball shape (signal) and 2 exponentials for the background
- Mixed event technique, background subtraction and fit with the Crystal-Ball
- Results from different techniques combined to extract $\langle N_{J/\psi} \rangle$

$e^+ e^-$

- Small statistics, but signal is visible in spite of the low S/B
- Signal extraction: bin counting after background subtraction



J/ψ in Pb-Pb collisions $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV - R_{AA}

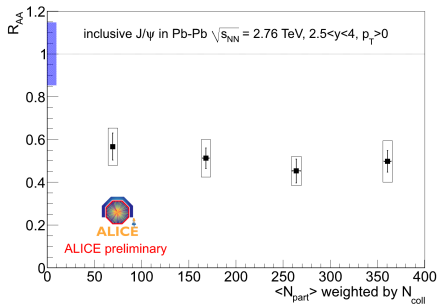
Nuclear Modification Factor

$$R_{AA}^i = \frac{Y_{J/\psi}^i}{\langle T_{AA}^i \rangle \times \sigma_{J/\psi}^{incl}(pp@2.76\text{ TeV})}$$

Inclusive $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ - $2.5 < y < 4$, down to $p_t = 0$

$$R_{AA}^{0-80} = 0.49 \pm 0.03(stat) \pm 0.11(syst)$$

- Raw yield: $Y_{J/\psi}^i = \frac{N_{J/\psi}^i}{BR \cdot Acc \times eff \cdot N_{MB}^i}$
- Acceptance \times efficiency corrections applied
- pp@2.76 TeV reference: see slide 13
- Error bars: statistical uncertainties
- Open boxes: centrality-dependent systematic uncertainties
- Blue box: common systematics
- Systematics dominated by signal extraction (up to 19% in the most central bin) and by the pp inclusive cross-section measurement (13%)



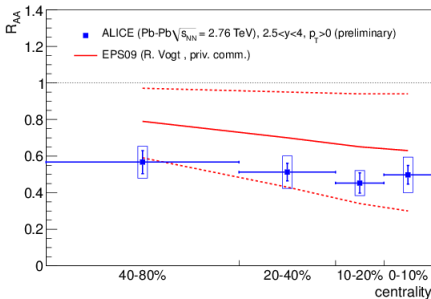
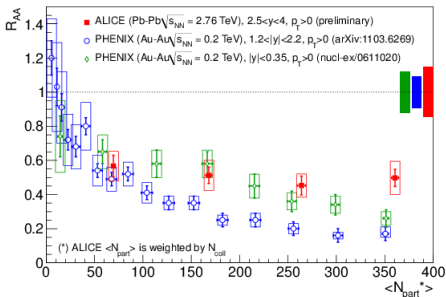
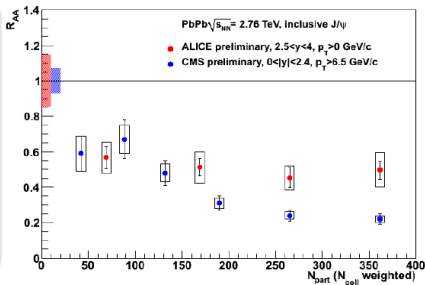
Suppression with no strong centrality dependence

Comparison with PHENIX

- In the forward region J/ψ R_{AA} shows **less suppression** at LHC wrt RHIC, but...
- PHENIX: $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 0.2$ TeV, $1.2 < |y| < 2.2$
- Need to understand the role of the CNM: theoretical predictions still have large uncertainties. Runs p-Pb and Pb-p needed

Comparison with CMS

- ALICE R_{AA} is slightly higher
- but different kinematical region



Comparison with models

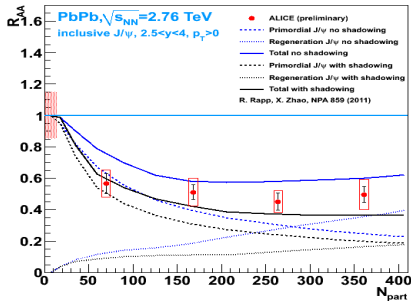
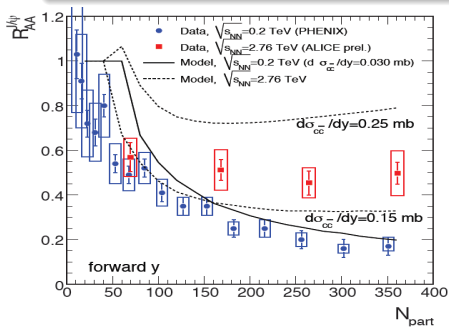
Statistical hadronization

- Screening of all direct J/ψ
- CNM effects
- Charmonium production by statistical recombination of uncorrelated charm quarks

Parton transport model

- Prompt J/ψ dissociation
- Shadowing
- Charmonium production by statistical recombination of uncorrelated charm quarks
- B feed-down

Model needs recombination of $c\bar{c}$ quarks for reproducing the measured RAA, but more measurement are needed: total charm cross-section and J/ψ in pA collisions.



J/ψ in Pb-Pb collisions $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV - R_{CP}

R_{CP}

$$R_{CP}^i = \frac{Y_{J/\psi}^i / \langle T_{AA}^i \rangle}{Y_{J/\psi}^{40-80\%} / \langle T_{AA}^{40-80\%} \rangle}$$

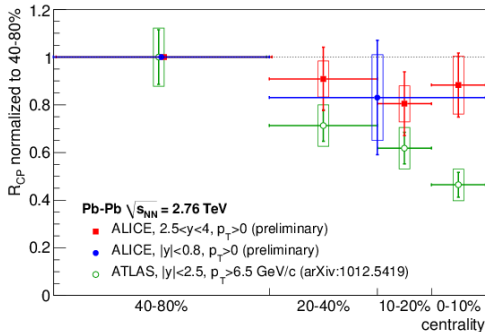
- Independent from the p-p reference

ALICE

- $2.5 < y < 4$
- $|y| < 0.8$
- $p_t > 0$

ATLAS

- $|y| < 2.5$
- $p_t > 6.5$ GeV/c



- Error in the 40-80% bin not propagated
- R_{CP} larger for ALICE wrt ATLAS, but very different kinematical regions
- ALICE measurement of inclusive J/ψ R_{CP} at mid-rapidity is very challenging
- More statistics needed

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- ALICE measured the inclusive J/ψ production cross section in p-p collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 2.76 TeV both at mid rapidity and at forward rapidity down to $p_t = 0$
- The measured cross section, as well as the p_t and y differential cross section, are in agreement with results from the other LHC experiments.
- J/ψ production shows a linear increase with the charged particle multiplicity: interpretations needed.
- First measurement of J/ψ polarization at LHC: J/ψ seems to be unpolarized except for low p_t bin in the helicity frame where a longitudinal polarization is measured.
- ALICE is able to measure J/ψ from B at mid-rapidity down to $p_t = 0$, and first results were shown.
 - Inclusive J/ψ production in Pb-Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV measured both at forward and mid-rapidity .
 - R_{AA} at forward rapidity shows a clear suppression with N_{part} but less than PHENIX.
 - R_{AA} and R_{CP} values larger than CMS and ATLAS, but kinematical coverage is different.
 - It is mandatory a deep understanding of the CNM effects. p-Pb collisions expected at the end of 2012.

BACKUP

J/ψ in p-p - Polarization

The polarization of the J/ψ can be measured through the angular analysis of its daughter particles. Taking as a reference the μ^+ , its angular distribution can be expressed as:

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

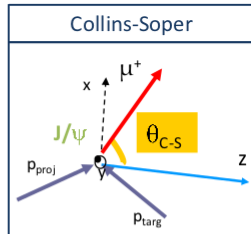
The reference frame can be chosen in different ways and is defined on a event-by-event basis

All the three parameters can be extracted in a 1D approach

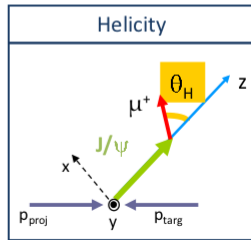
$$W(\cos\vartheta) \propto \frac{1}{3 + \lambda_\theta} (1 + \lambda_\theta \cos^2\vartheta) \quad \text{Integrating over } \phi$$

$$W(\varphi) \propto 1 + \frac{2\lambda_\varphi}{3 + \lambda_\theta} \cos 2\varphi \quad \text{Integrating over } \cos\theta$$

$$W(\tilde{\varphi}) \propto 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}\lambda_{\theta\varphi}}{3 + \lambda_\theta} \cos \tilde{\varphi} \quad \text{Defining } \tilde{\varphi} = \begin{cases} \varphi - \frac{3}{4}\pi & \text{for } \cos\vartheta < 0 \\ \varphi - \frac{\pi}{4} & \text{for } \cos\vartheta > 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{and integrating over } \cos\theta$$



bisector of the angle between proj. and (-) target in the quarkonium C.M. frame.



Direction of the quarkonium in the C.M. frame of the collision.

J/ψ in Pb-Pb - Systematics



sources	centrality				
	0-10%	10-20%	20-40%	40-80%	correlated
$N_{J/\psi}$	19 %	14 %	17%	14%	-
$N_{J/\psi}/N_{J/\psi}^{40-80\%}$	12%	8%	7%	-	-
Acc. inputs	-	-	-	-	3%
Trigger eff.	-	-	-	-	4%
Tracking eff.	4%	2%	1%	0%	5%
Reco eff.	-	-	-	-	2%
Branching ratio	-	-	-	-	1%
Cross Section	-	-	-	-	13%
$\langle T_{AA} \rangle$	4%	4%	4%	6%	-
$\langle T_{AA} \rangle / \langle T_{AA} \rangle^{40-80\%}$	6%	5%	4%	-	-
Total for R_{AA}	20%	15%	17%	15%	15%
Total for R_{CP}	14%	10%	8%	-	-