



Workshop on Advances, Innovations, and Future Perspectives in High-Energy Nuclear Physics

# Heavy flavour production in $pp$ collisions at LHCb

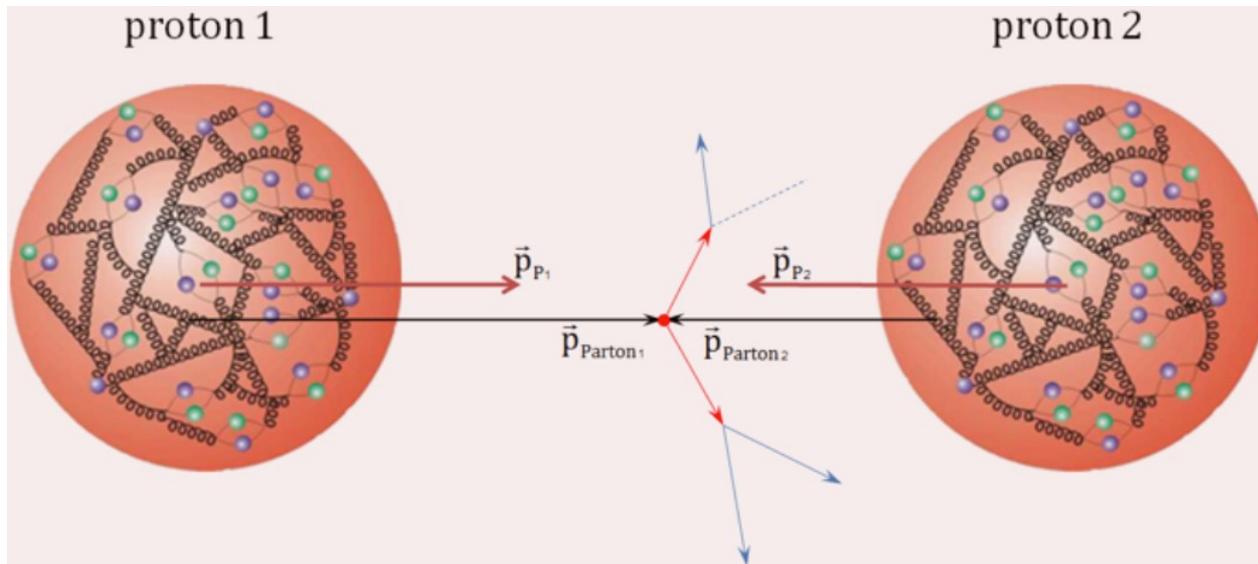
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# Outline

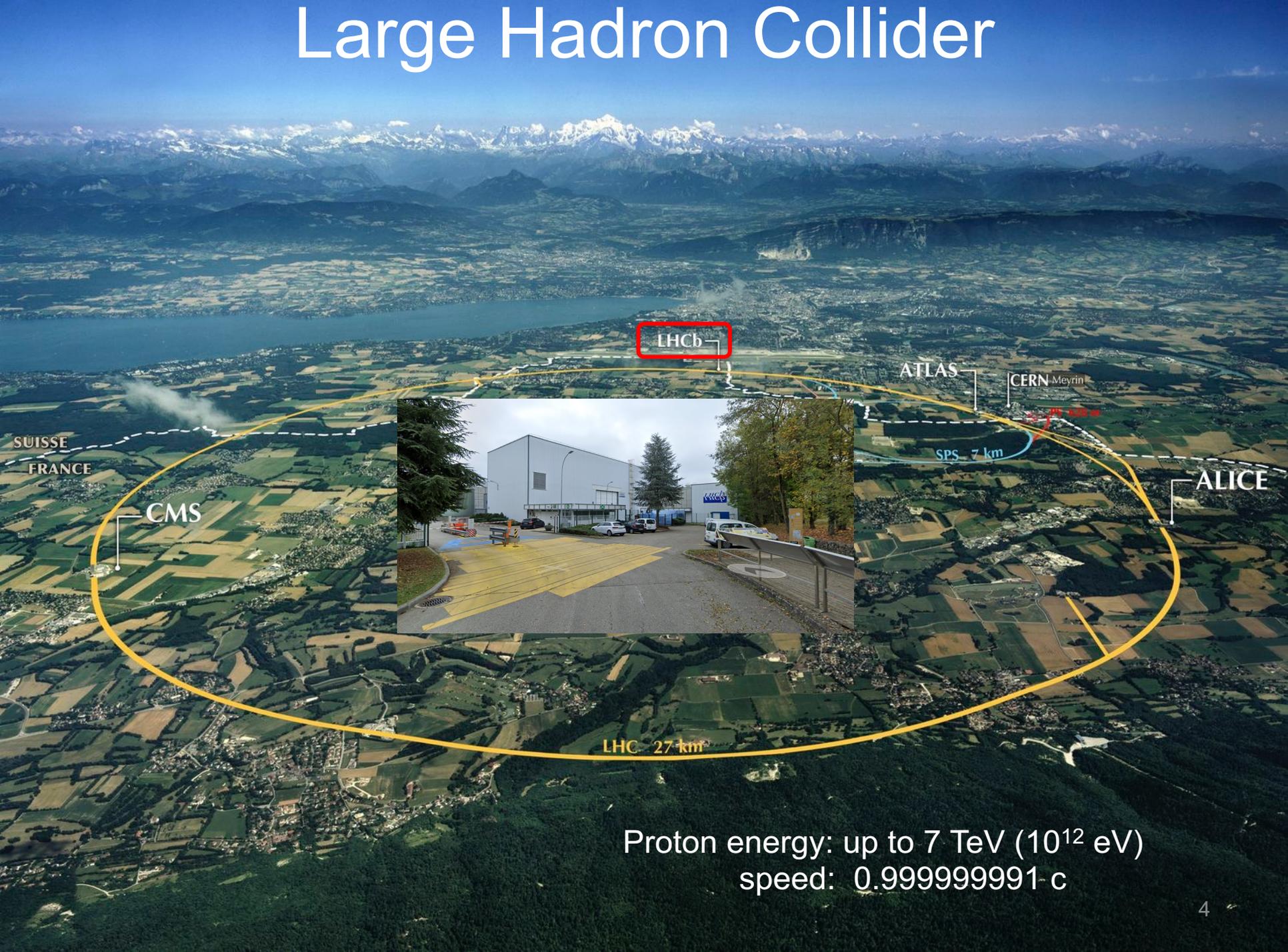
- Introduction
- Heavy flavour production
  - Charomonium(like)
  - Beauty
  - $B_c^+$
  - Doubly charmed baryon
- Status of Run-3 & prospects
- Summary

# Introduction

- Heavy flavour production
  - Test QCD: PDF, hard scattering, fragmentation
  - New physics search: Background;  $f_S$
  - $pp$  collisions, reference for  $pPb$ ,  $PbPb$



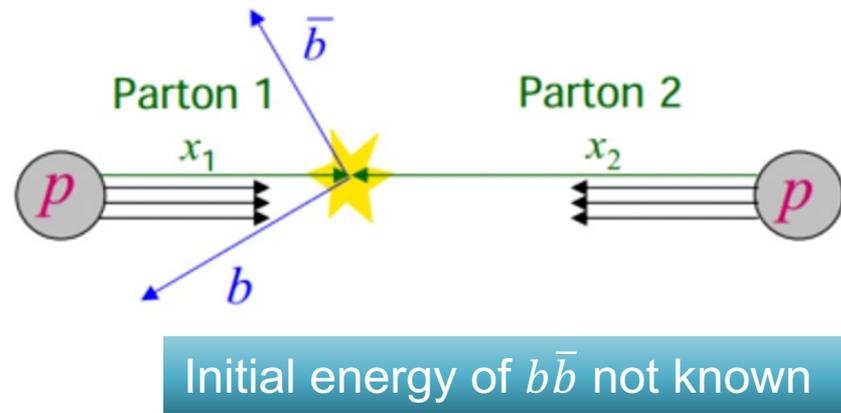
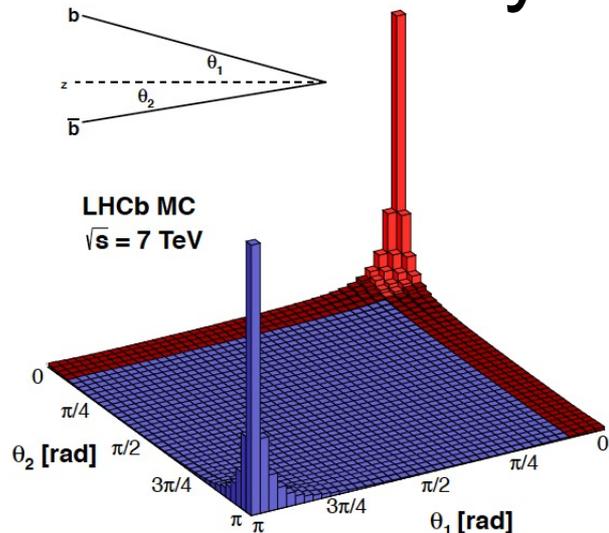
# Large Hadron Collider



Proton energy: up to 7 TeV ( $10^{12}$  eV)  
speed: 0.9999999991 c

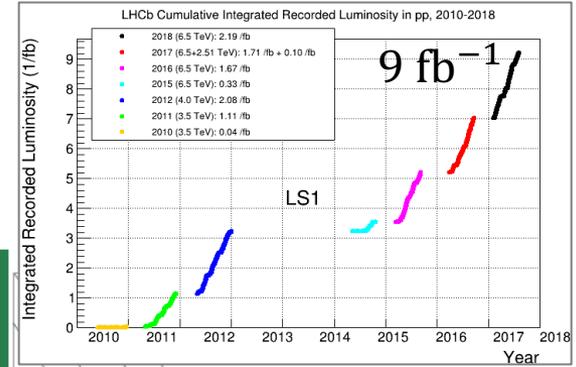
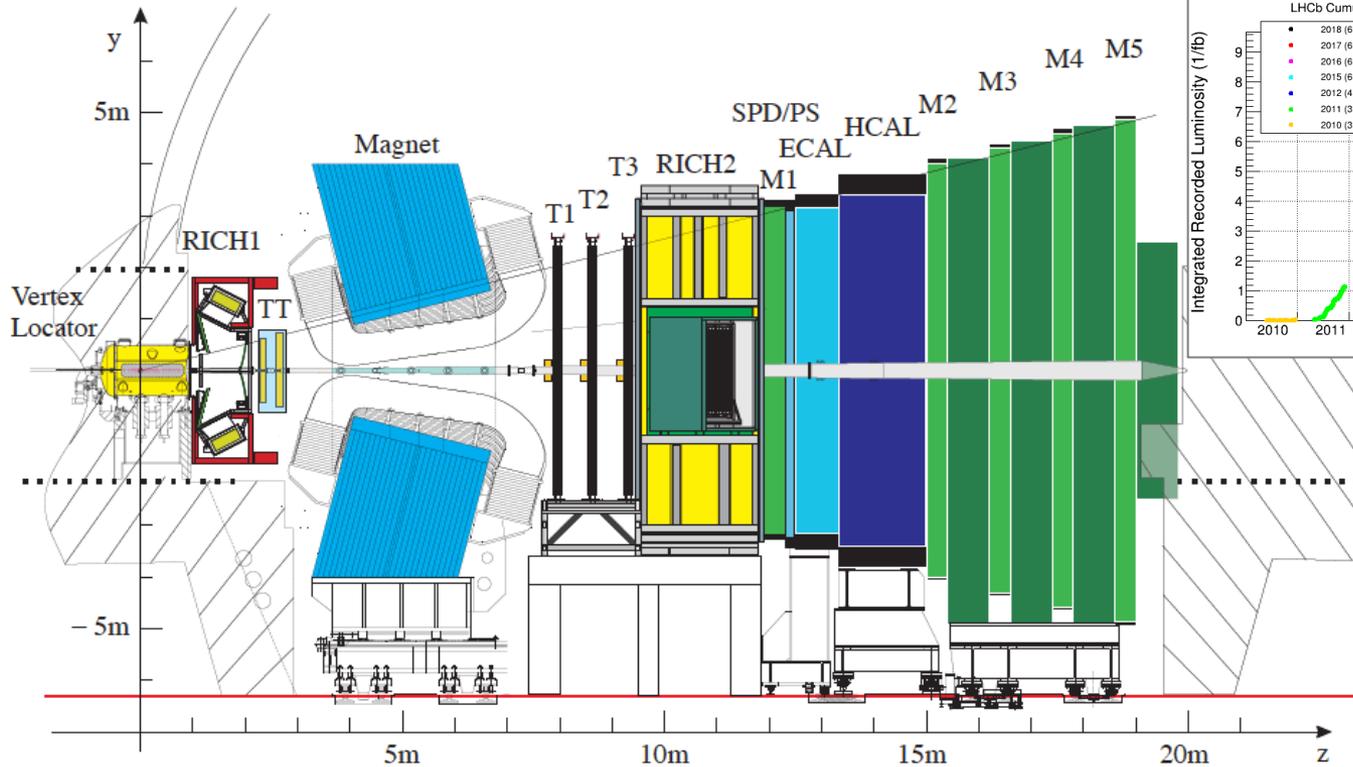
# Beauty/charm production

- Large production cross-section @ 7 TeV
    - Minibias  $\sim 60$  mb
    - Charm  $\sim 6$  mb
    - Beauty  $\sim 0.3$  mb c.f. 1nb @ $Y(4S)$
- } Flavour factory!
- Predominantly in forward/backward cones



# The LHCb experiment

[JINST 3 (2008) S080005]



**Vertex Locator**

**Tracking (TT, T1-T3)**

**RICHs**

**Muon system (M1-M5)**

**ECAL**

**HCAL**

$$\sigma_{PV,x/y} \sim 10 \mu\text{m}, \sigma_{PV,z} \sim 60 \mu\text{m}$$

$$\Delta p/p: 0.4\% \text{ at } 5 \text{ GeV}/c, \text{ to } 0.6\% \text{ at } 100 \text{ GeV}/c$$

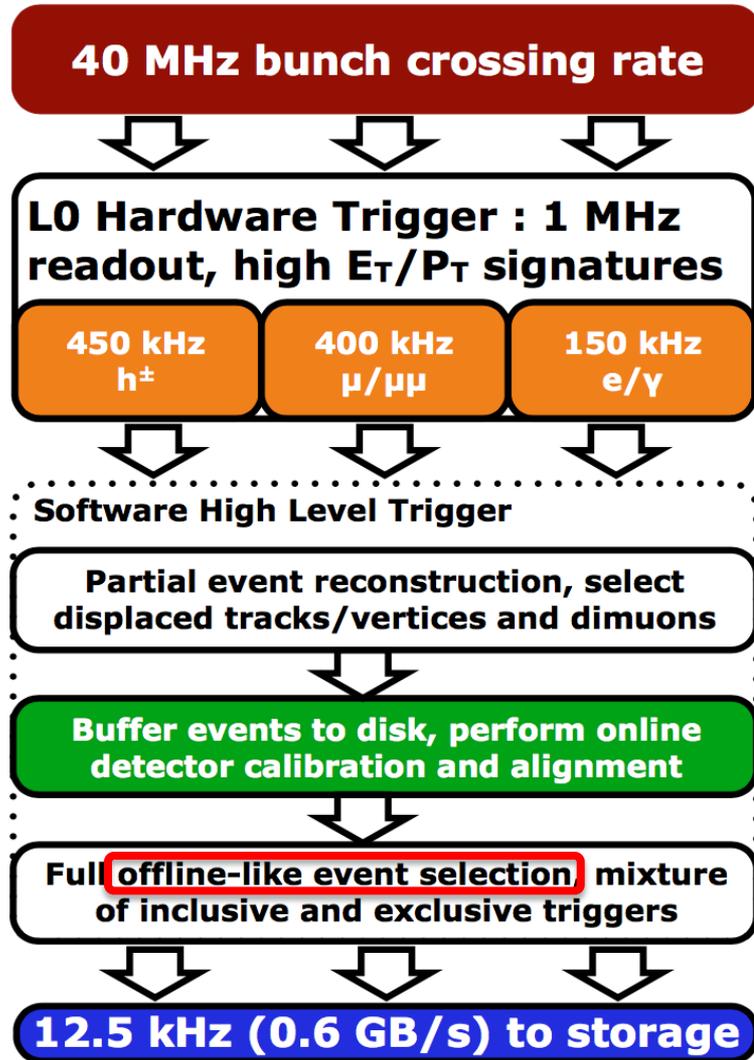
$$\varepsilon(K \rightarrow K) \sim 95\%, \text{ mis-ID rate } (\pi \rightarrow K) \sim 5\%$$

$$\varepsilon(\mu \rightarrow \mu) \sim 97\%, \text{ mis-ID rate } (\pi \rightarrow \mu) = 1 - 3\%$$

$$\sigma_E/E \sim 10\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 1\% \text{ (} E \text{ in GeV)}$$

$$\sigma_E/E \sim 70\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 10\% \text{ (} E \text{ in GeV)}$$

# The LHCb trigger (2018)



- L0, Hardware

- $p_T(\mu_1) \times p_T(\mu_2) > (1.5 \text{ GeV})^2$

- $p_T(\mu) > 1.8 \text{ GeV}$

- $E_T(e) > 2.4 \text{ GeV}$

- $E_T(\gamma) > 3.0 \text{ GeV}$

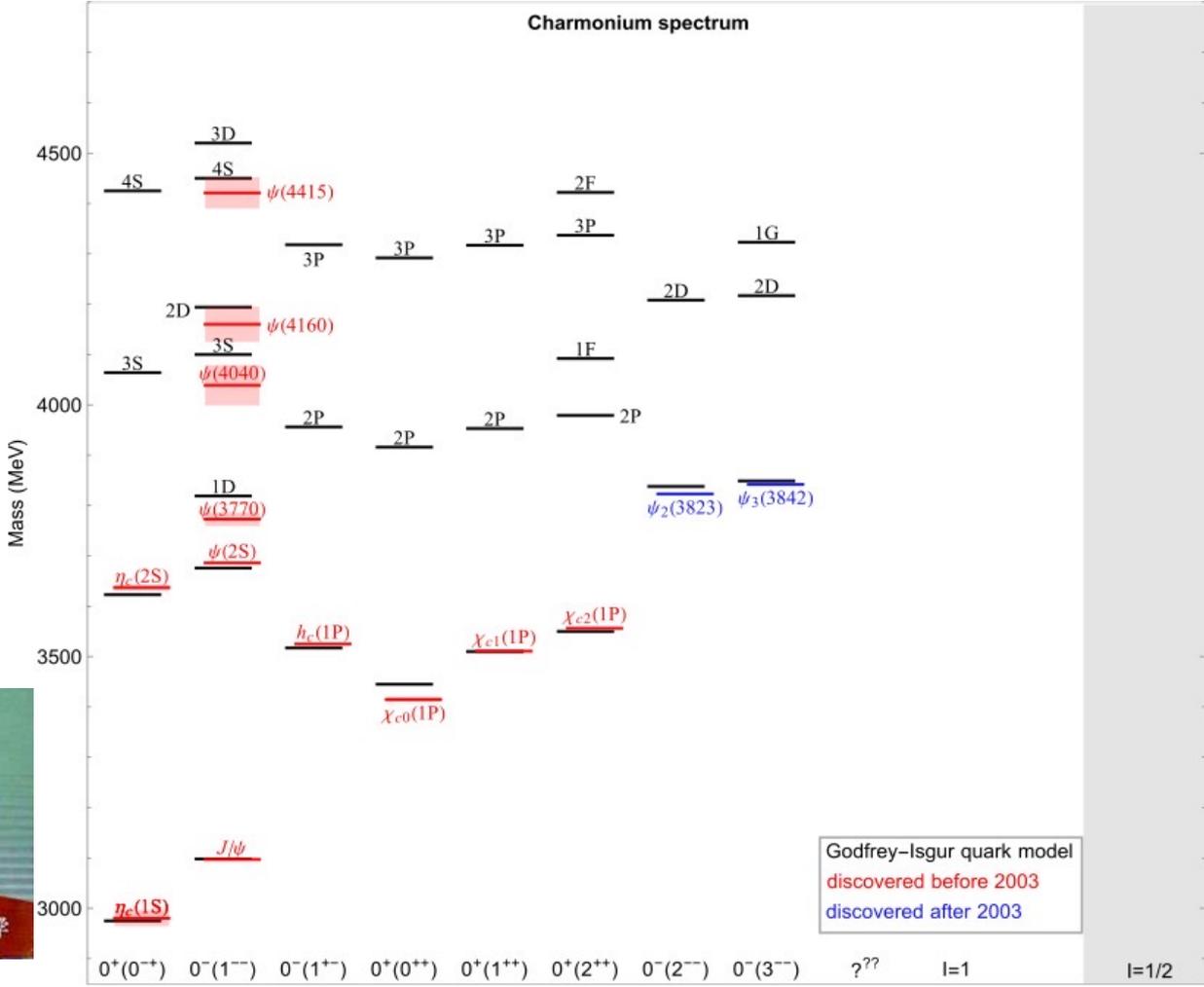
- $E_T(h) > 3.7 \text{ GeV}$

- High Level Trigger

- Stage1,  $p_T$ , IP

- Stage2, full selection

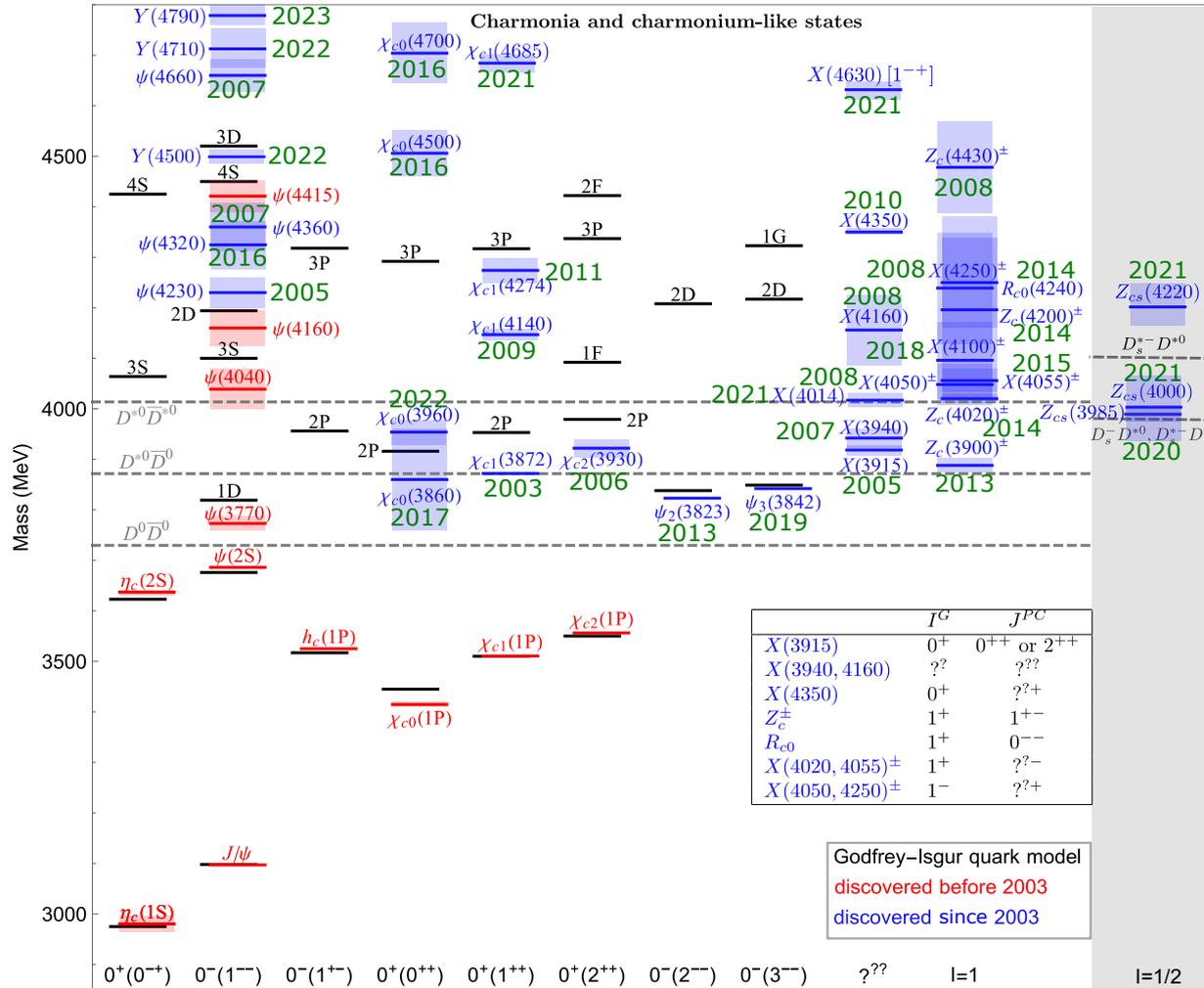
# Charmonium states



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[F.-K. Guo (郭奉坤), PoS LATTICE 2022 (2023) 232]

# Charmonium(like) states



$X(3872)?$

- Tetraquark
- $\chi_{c1}(2P)$
- Molecule
- Mixture

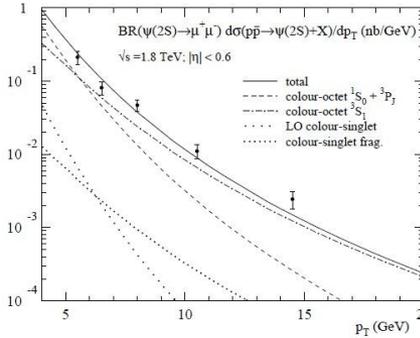
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# $J/\psi$ hadroproduction

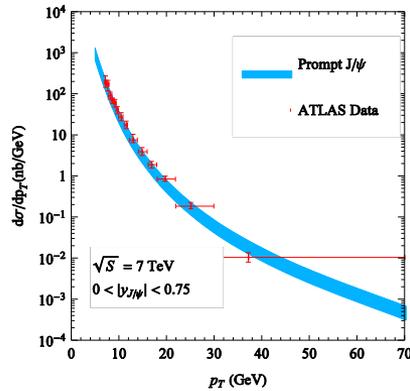
## CO mechanism

➤ Nicely explain  $\psi'$  surplus by CO contributions

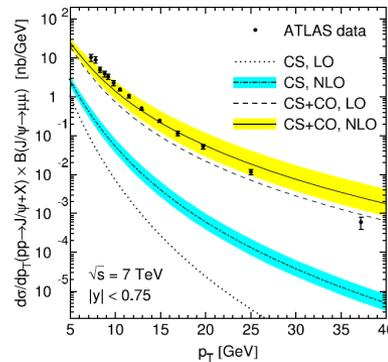
States	$p_T$ behavior at LO
$3S_1[1]$	$p_T^{-8}$
$3S_1[8]$	$p_T^{-4}$
$1S_0[8]$	$p_T^{-6}$
$3P_J[8]$	$p_T^{-6}$



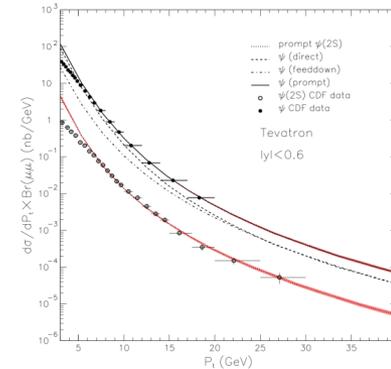
Kramer, 0106120



YQM, Wang, Chao, 1012.1030



Butenschoen, Kniesl, 1105.0820



Gong, Wan, Wang, Zhang, 1205.6682

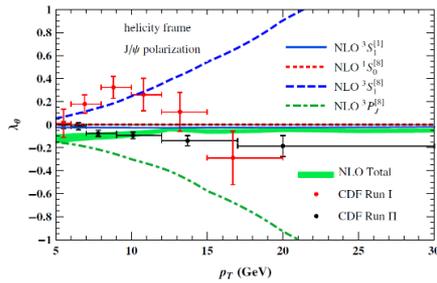
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Credit: Y.-Q. Ma

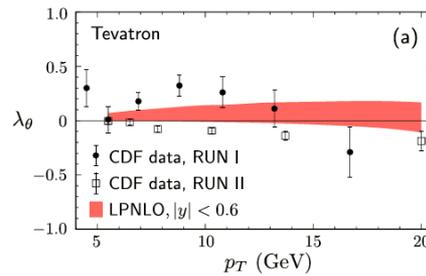
# Polarisation?

## Polarization puzzle at NLO

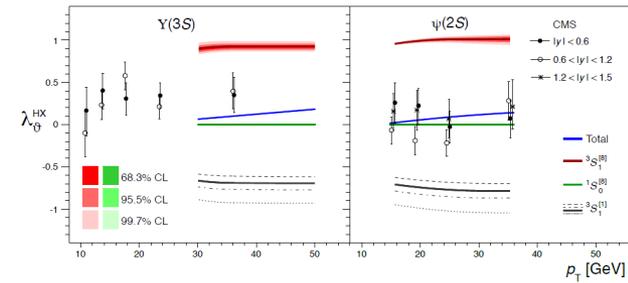
➤  $J/\psi$ : transverse polarization canceled (*why?*) in  $^3S_1^{[8]}$  and  $^3P_J^{[8]}$



Chao, YQM, Shao, Wang, Zhang, 1201.2675

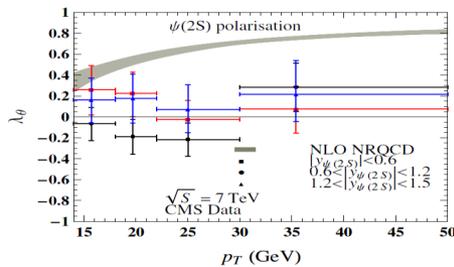


Bodwin, Chung, Kim, Lee, 1403.3612

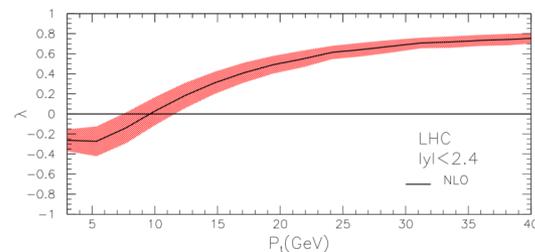


Faccioli, Knunz, Lourenco, Seixas, Wohri, 1403.3970

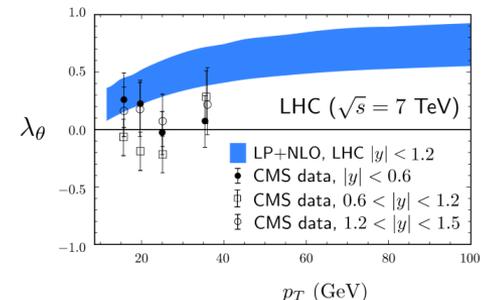
➤  $\psi(2S)$ : cancelation weak, **hard to understand data**



Shao, Han, YQM, Meng, Zhang, Chao, 1411.3300



Gong, Wan, Wang, Zhang, 1205.6682



Bodwin et al., 1509.07904

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# Hadronic decays

- Sizable branching fractions

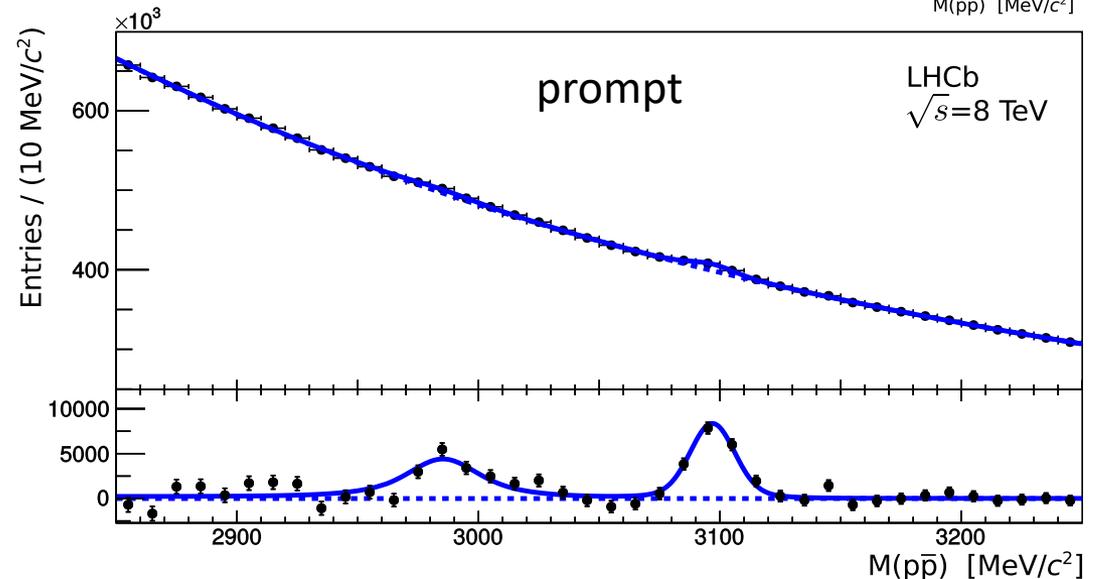
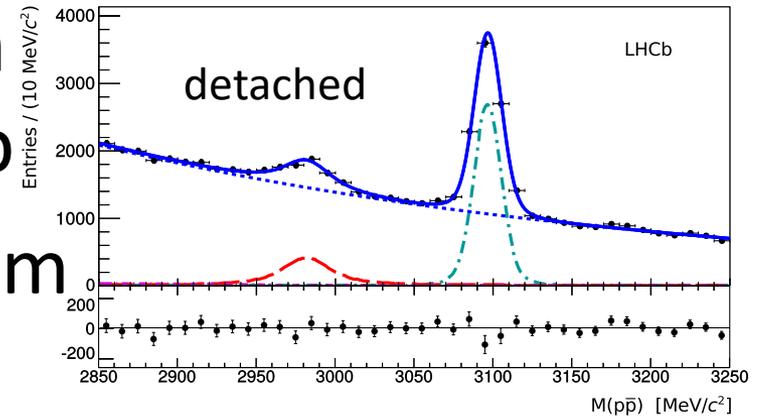
	$p\bar{p}$	$\phi\phi$	$\phi K^+ K^-$	$\phi\pi^+\pi^-$	$\mathcal{B} \times 10^3$			$\eta_c\gamma$	$p\bar{p}\pi^+\pi^-$
					$\Lambda\bar{\Lambda}$	$\Xi^+\Xi^-$	$\Lambda(1520)\bar{\Lambda}(1520)$		
$\eta_c$	$1.35 \pm 0.13$	$1.58 \pm 0.19$	$2.9 \pm 1.4$	unknown	$1.02 \pm 0.23$	$0.90 \pm 0.26$	-	-	$5.5 \pm 1.9$
$J/\psi$	$2.12 \pm 0.03$	forbidden	$0.83 \pm 0.11$	$0.94 \pm 0.15$	$1.89 \pm 0.09$	$0.97 \pm 0.08$	unknown	$17 \pm 4$	$6.0 \pm 0.5$
$\chi_{c0}$	$0.22 \pm 0.01$	$0.80 \pm 0.07$	$0.97 \pm 0.25$	unknown	$0.36 \pm 0.02$	$0.45 \pm 0.02$	$0.31 \pm 0.12$	forbidden	$2.1 \pm 0.7$
$h_c$	$< 0.17$	forbidden	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown	$570 \pm 50$	$3.3 \pm 0.6$
$\chi_{c1}$	$0.076 \pm 0.003$	$0.42 \pm 0.05$	$0.41 \pm 0.15$	unknown	$0.13 \pm 0.01$	$0.06 \pm 0.01$	$< 0.09$	forbidden	$0.50 \pm 0.19$
$\chi_{c2}$	$0.073 \pm 0.003$	$1.06 \pm 0.09$	$1.42 \pm 0.29$	unknown	$0.18 \pm 0.02$	$0.14 \pm 0.01$	$0.46 \pm 0.15$	forbidden	$1.32 \pm 0.34$
$\eta'_c$	$< 2.0$	$< 1.0$	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown	forbidden	seen
$\psi'$	$0.29 \pm 0.01$	forbidden	$0.07 \pm 0.02$	$0.12 \pm 0.03$	$0.38 \pm 0.01$	$0.29 \pm 0.01$	unknown	$3.4 \pm 0.5$	$0.60 \pm 0.04$

- High multiplicity in  $pp$  collisions, high level of background due to too many combinations, challenging even for LHCb that has excellent hadron particle-identification

# $\eta_c(1S)$ production at 7/8 TeV

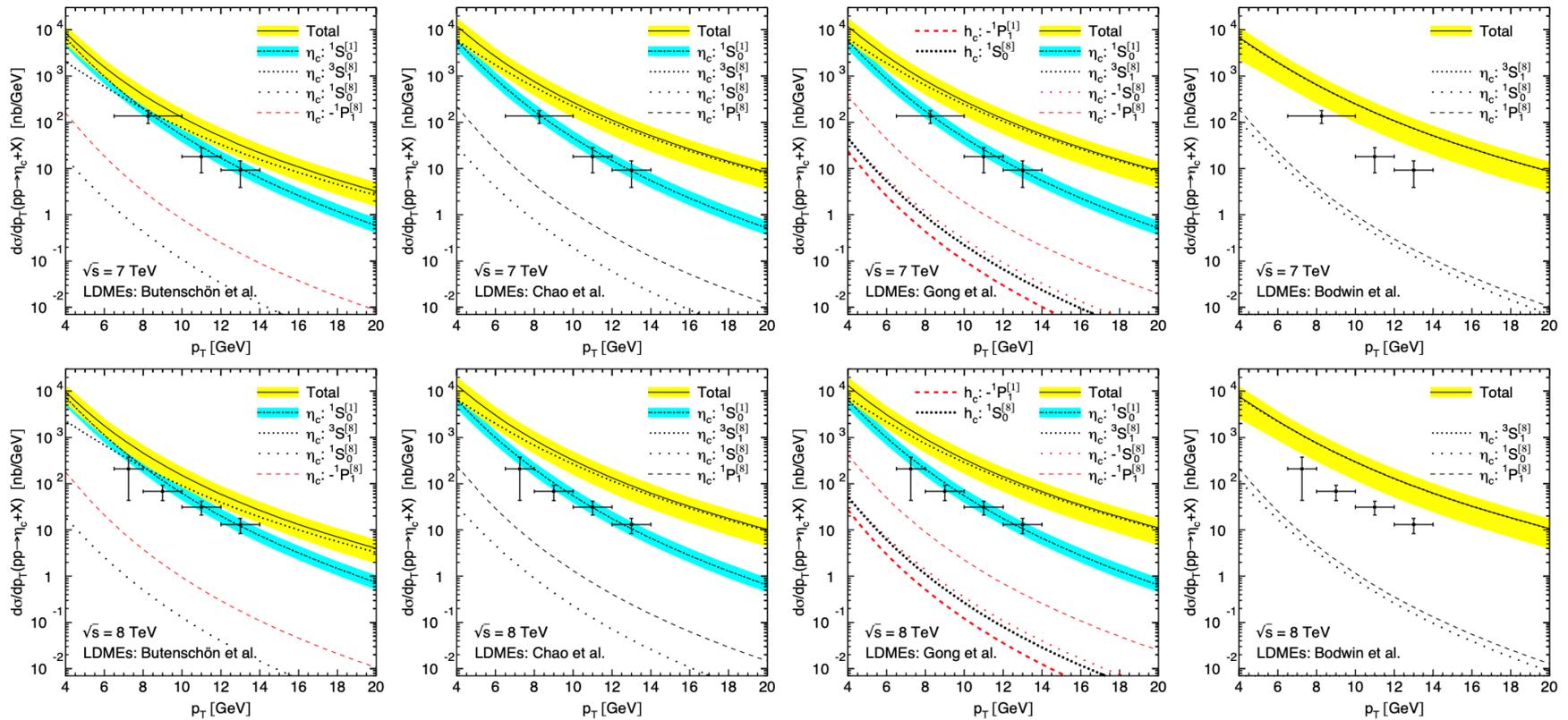
[LHCb, EJPC 75 (2015) 311]

- $\eta_c(1S)$  hadroproduction firstly measured by LHCb
- Prompt signal suffers from high background



# $\eta_c(1S)$ production at 7/8 TeV

- Results described by NLO CS?

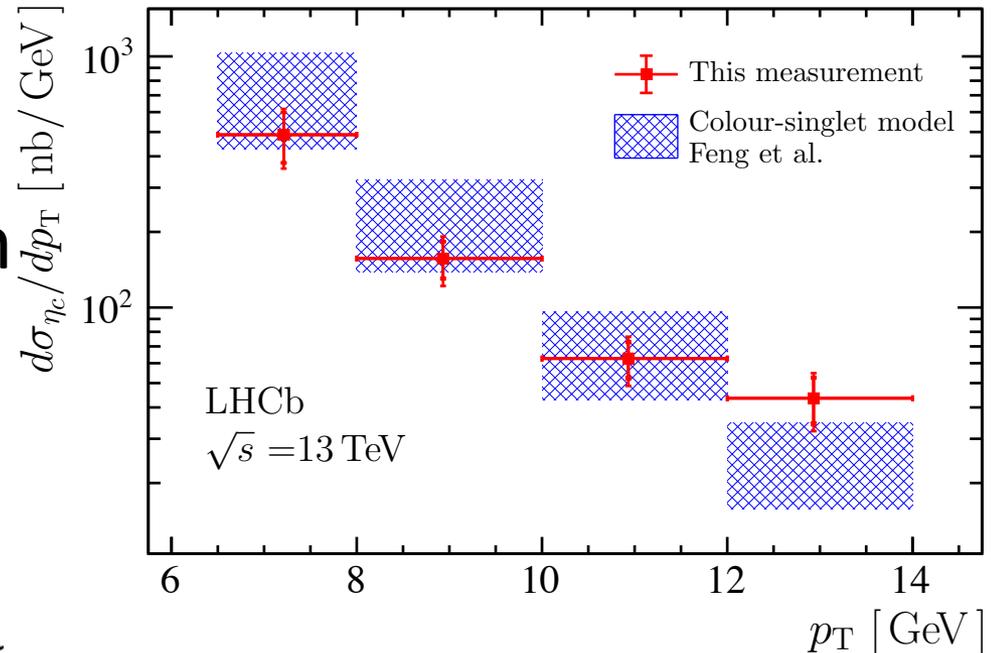


[M. Butenschoen, et al., PRL 114 (2015) 092004]

# $\eta_c(1S)$ production at 13 TeV

[LHCb, EPJC 80 (2020) 191]

- Comparison w/ CS, good agreement
- Theoretical precision limited by scale uncertainty



$$\left(\sigma_{\eta_c}^{\text{prompt}}\right)_{13 \text{ TeV}}^{6.5 < p_T < 14.0 \text{ GeV}, 2.0 < y < 4.5} = 1.26 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.14 \mu\text{b},$$

$$\text{Prediction: } 1.56_{-0.49}^{+0.83} (\text{scale})_{-0.17}^{+0.38} (\text{CT14NLO}) \mu\text{b}$$

[Y. Feng, et al., NPB 945 (2019) 114662]

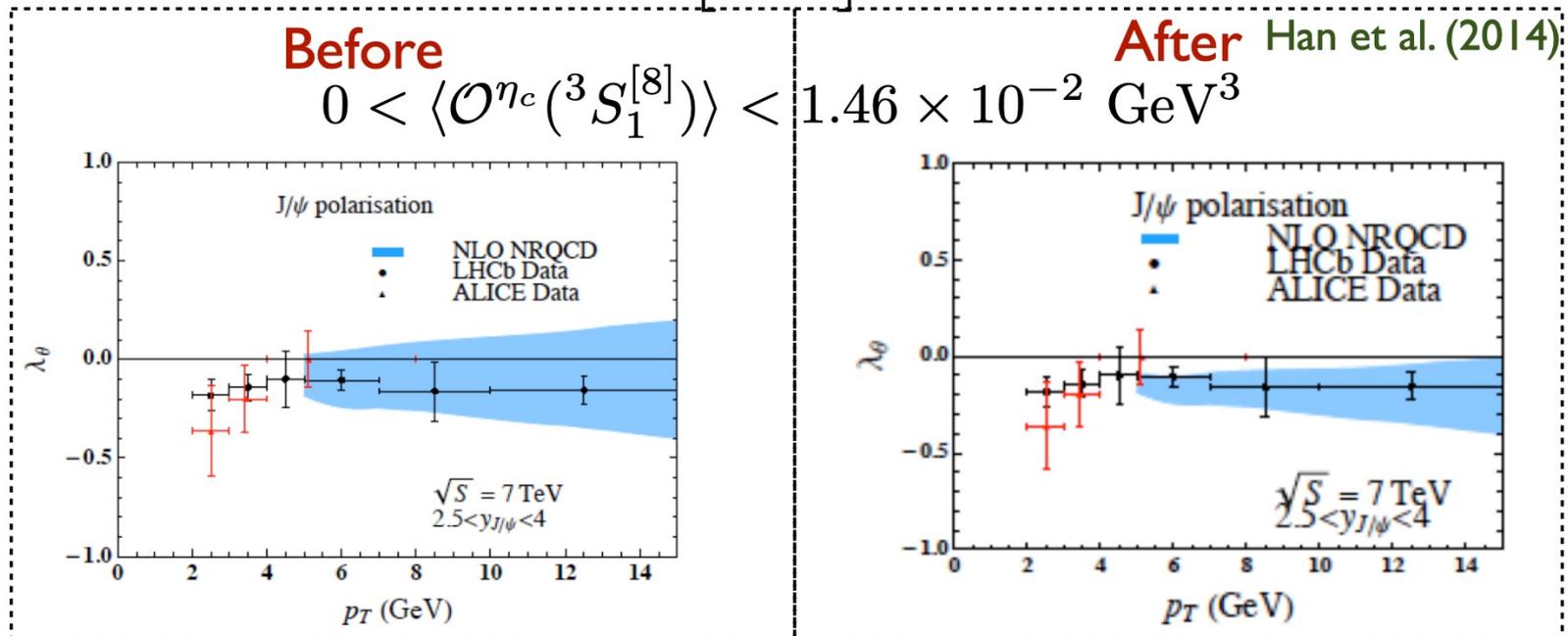
# Impact of $\eta_c(1S)$ production

- LHCb data + HQSS helps to constrain  $\langle \mathcal{O}^{J/\psi}(^1S_0^{[8]}) \rangle$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}^{J/\psi}(^1S_0^{[8]}) \rangle = \langle \mathcal{O}^{\eta_c}(^3S_1^{[8]}) \rangle$$

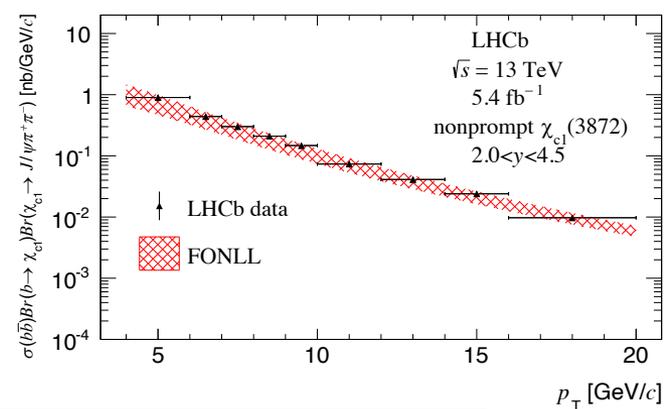
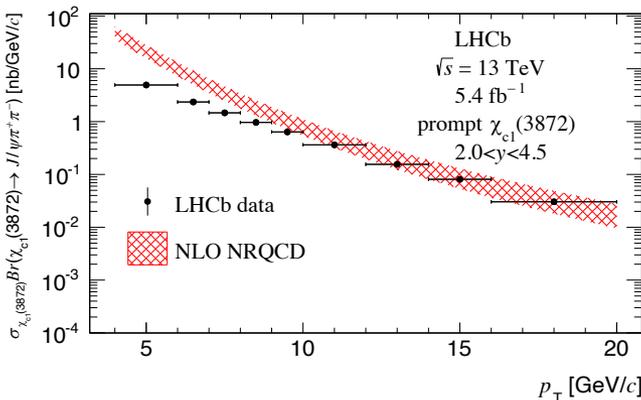
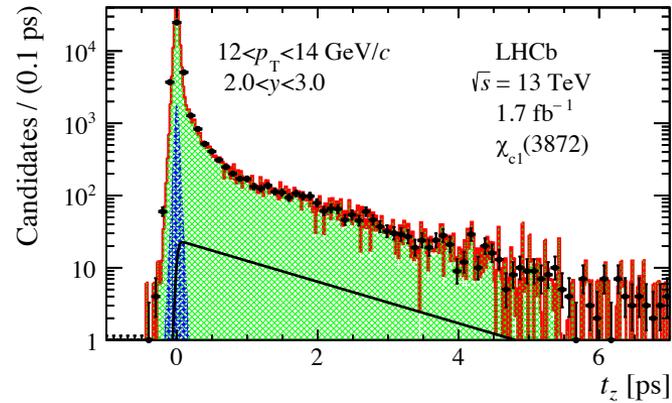
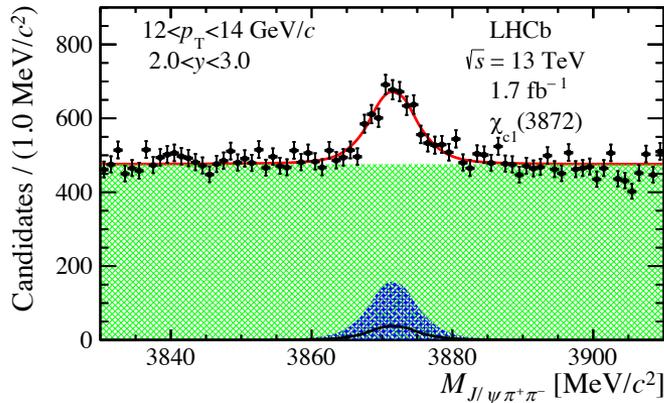
- A conservative upper limit was set via

$$\langle \mathcal{O}^{\eta_c}(^3S_1^{[8]}) \rangle \hat{\sigma}(c\bar{c} [^3S_1^{[8]}]) = \sigma_{\text{LHCb data}}$$



# $X(3872)$ production

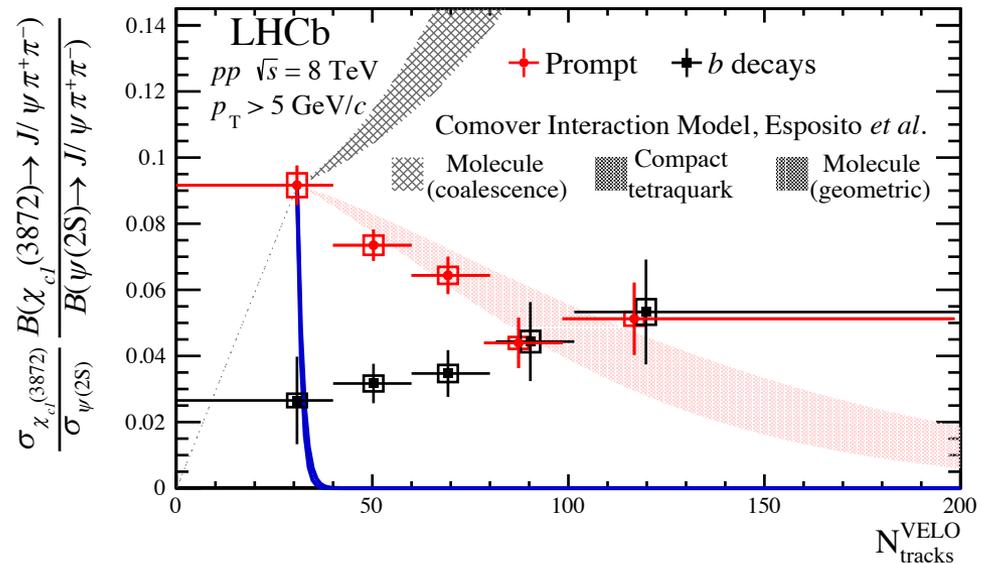
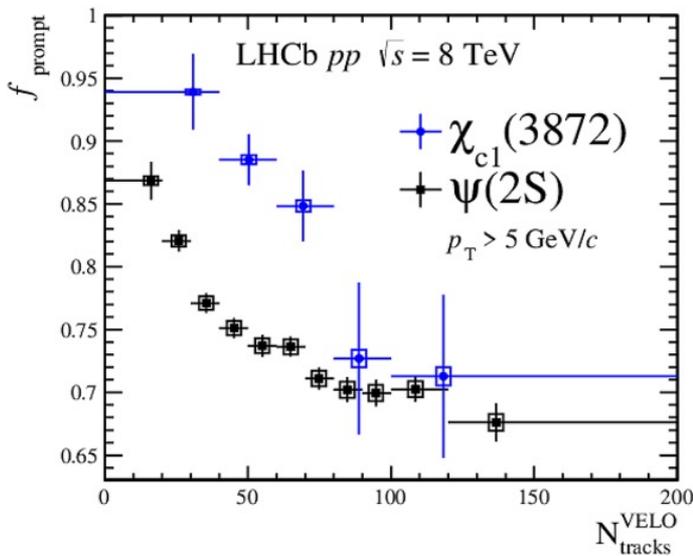
- First double-differential cross-section
- Consistent with  $\chi_{c1}(2P) + D^0\bar{D}^{*0}$  mixture



In pipeline:  $J/\psi p, J/\psi \Lambda, J/\psi \phi, J/\psi \pi^+ \dots$

# $\sigma_{\chi(3872)}/\sigma_{\psi(2S)}$ Vs. Multiplicity

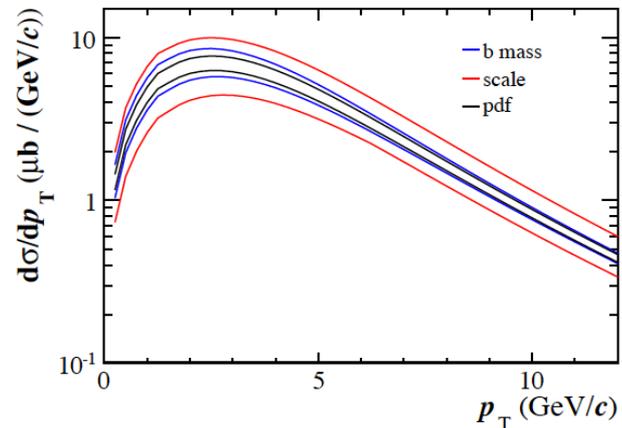
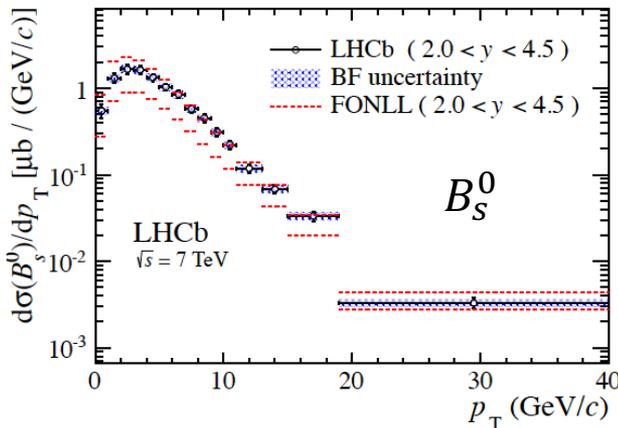
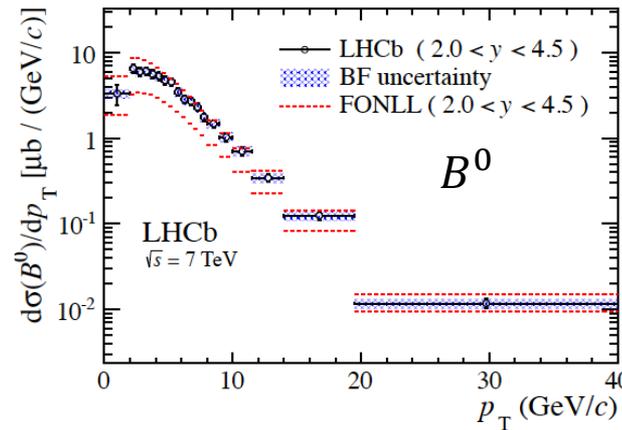
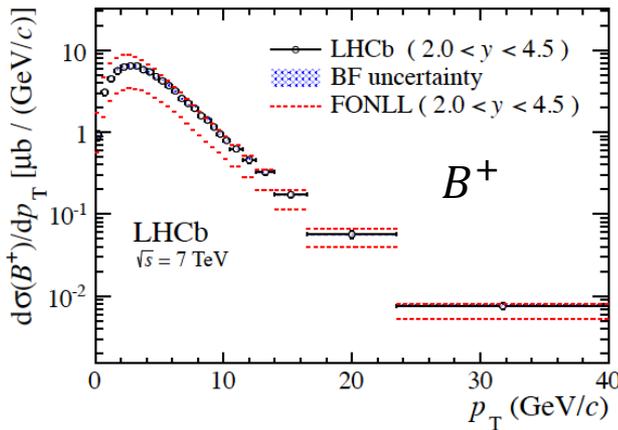
- Clear dependence, interpretation on debate



# B mesons' production

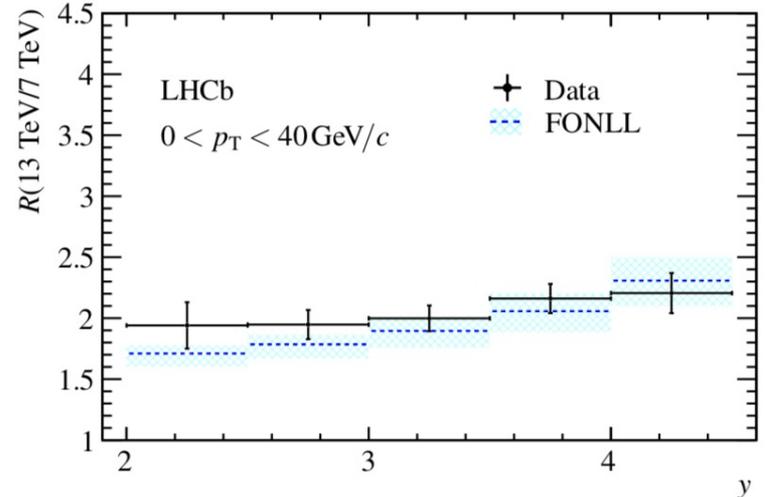
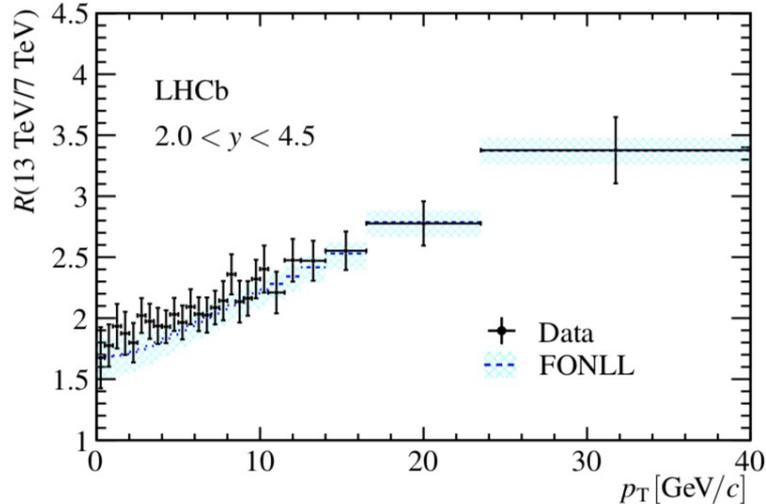
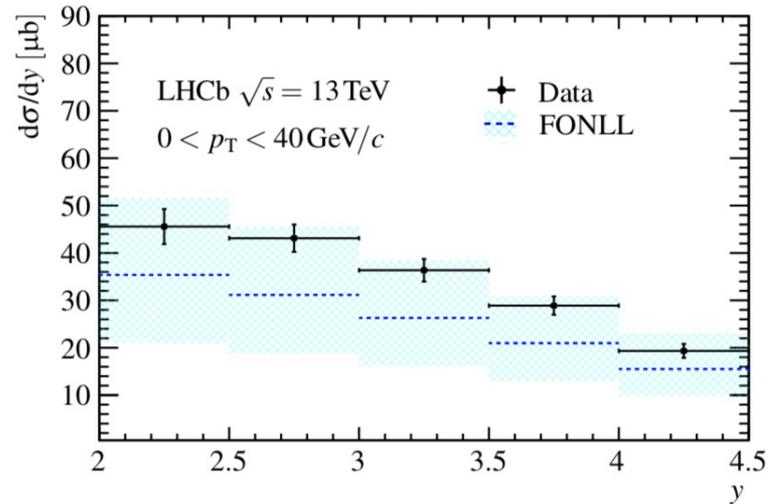
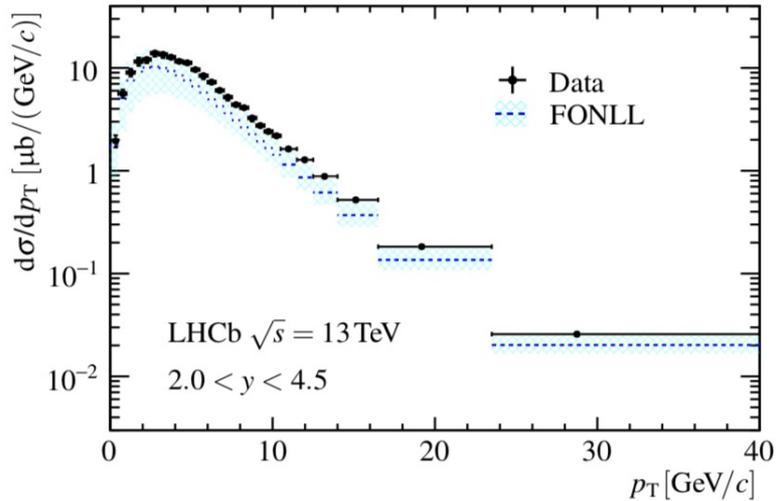
- Measured B mesons' production at 7 TeV, agree with FONLL (Fixed Order+Next-to-Leading Log)

[M. Cacciari *et al.*, JHEP 10 (2012) 137]



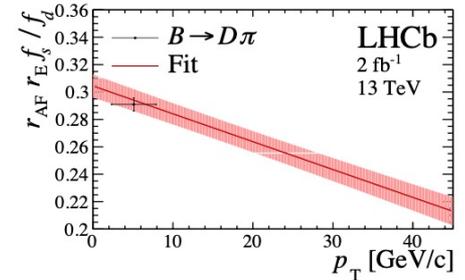
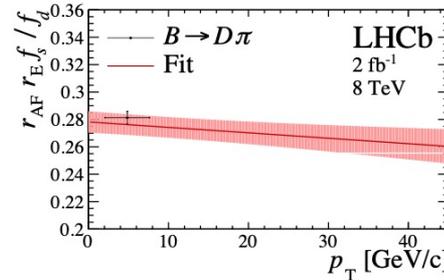
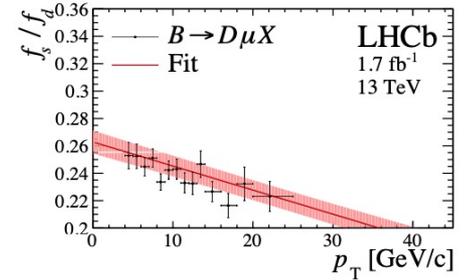
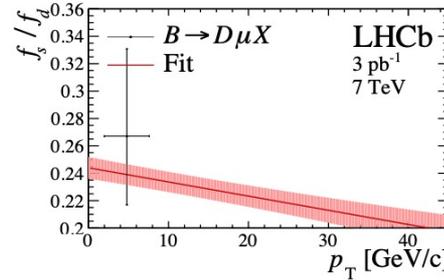
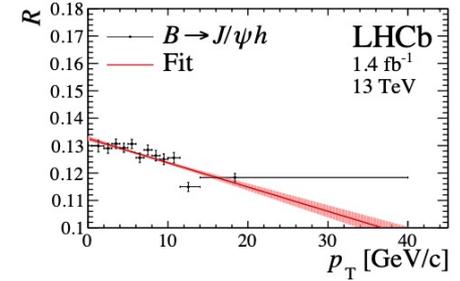
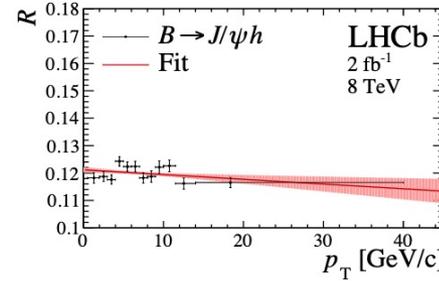
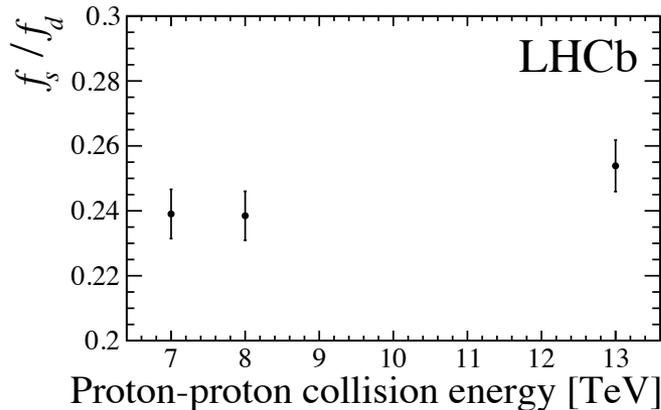
# $B^+$ production at 13 TeV

- New energy, ratio 13/7 TeV



# $f_s/f_d$ in beauty system

- Combined analysis of different decay modes. BR of  $B_S^0$  updated
  - $\mathcal{B}(B_S^0 \rightarrow J/\psi\phi)$  and  $\mathcal{B}(B_S^0 \rightarrow D_S^- \pi^+)$  improved by a factor of 2



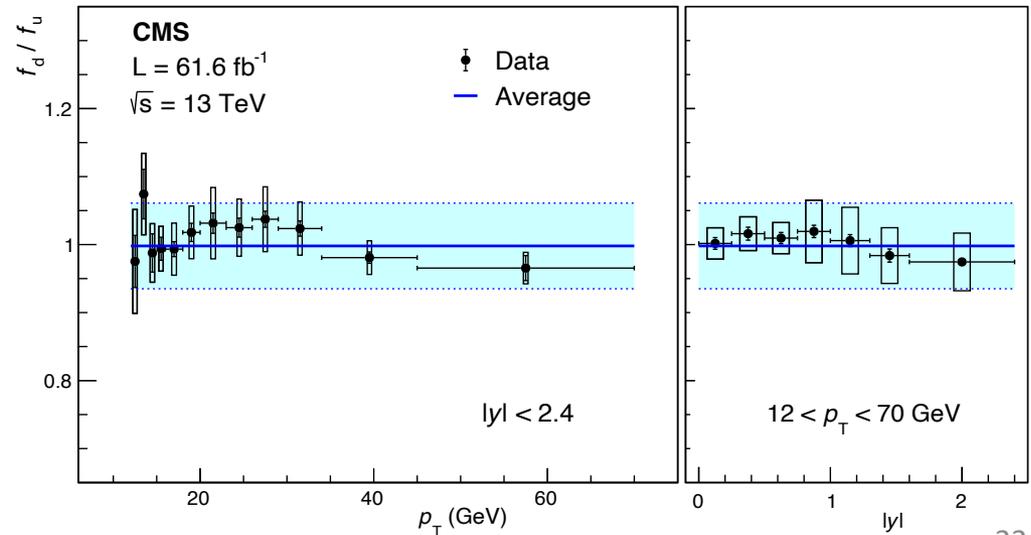
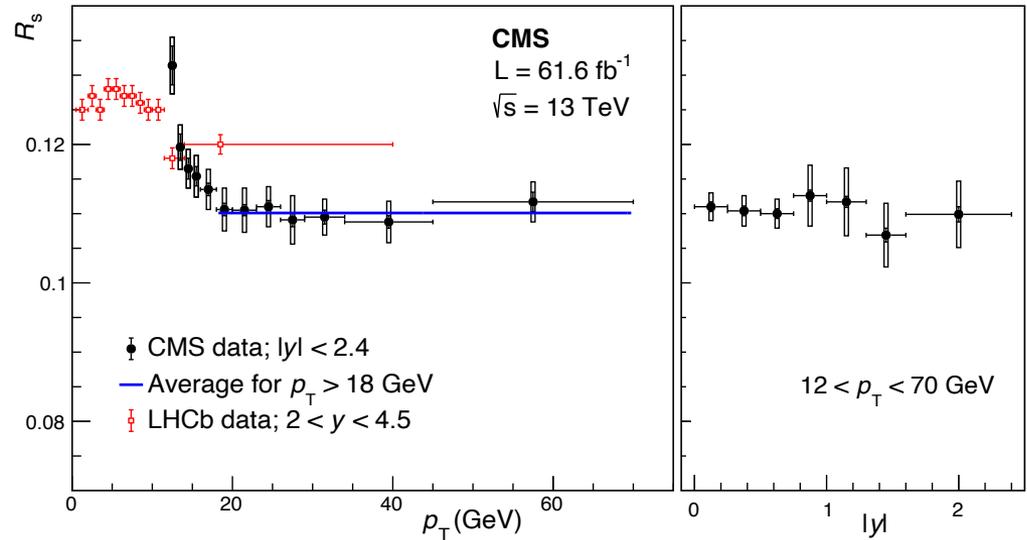
$$f_s/f_d(p_T, 7 \text{ TeV}) = (0.244 \pm 0.008) + ((-10.3 \pm 2.7) \times 10^{-4}) \cdot p_T$$

$$f_s/f_d(p_T, 8 \text{ TeV}) = (0.240 \pm 0.008) + ((-3.4 \pm 2.3) \times 10^{-4}) \cdot p_T$$

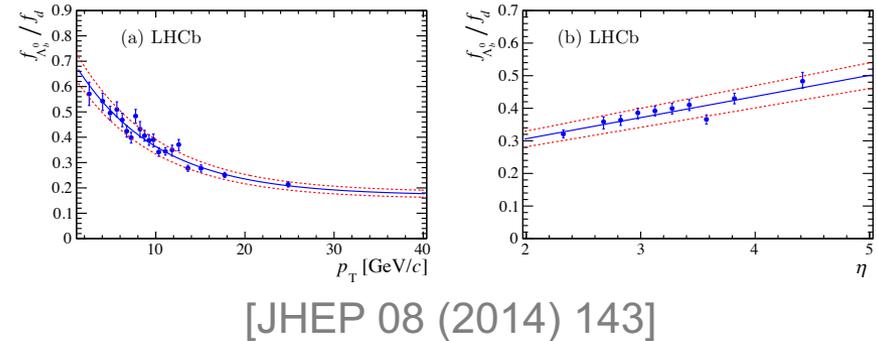
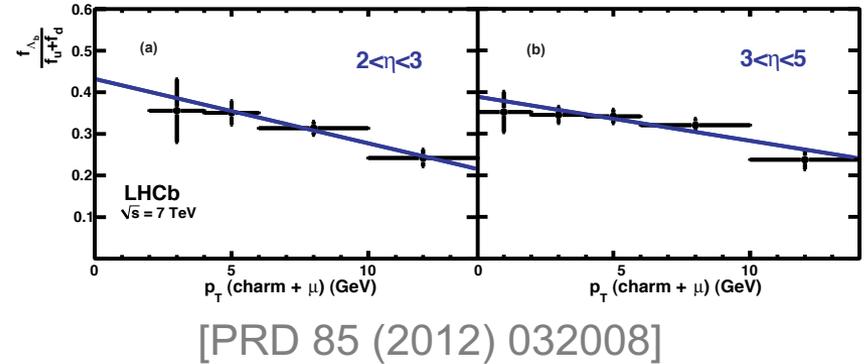
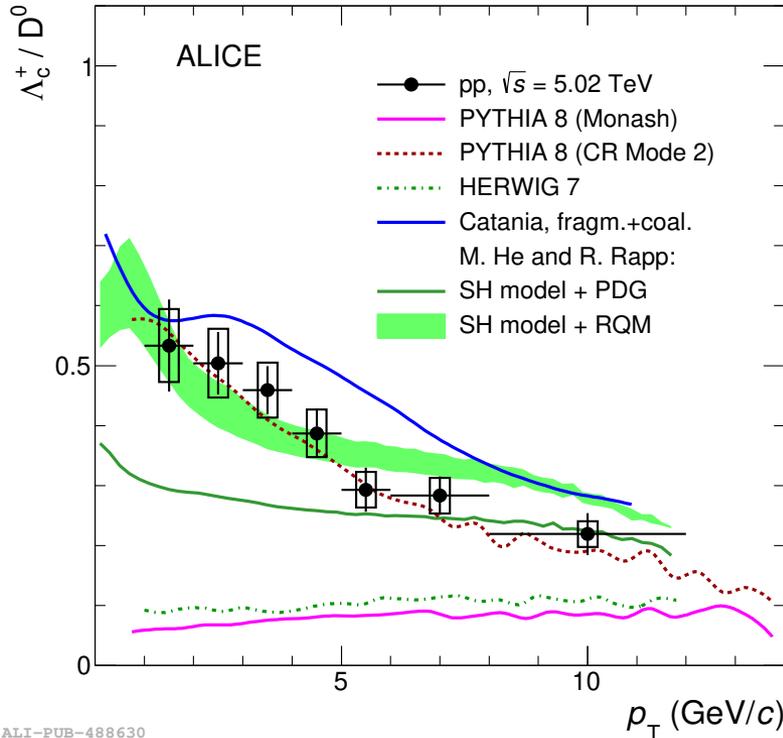
$$f_s/f_d(p_T, 13 \text{ TeV}) = (0.263 \pm 0.008) + ((-17.6 \pm 2.1) \times 10^{-4}) \cdot p_T$$

# $f_s/f_d$ in beauty system

- Confirming  $p_T$  dependence seen by LHCb
- No dependence for  $f_d/f_u$

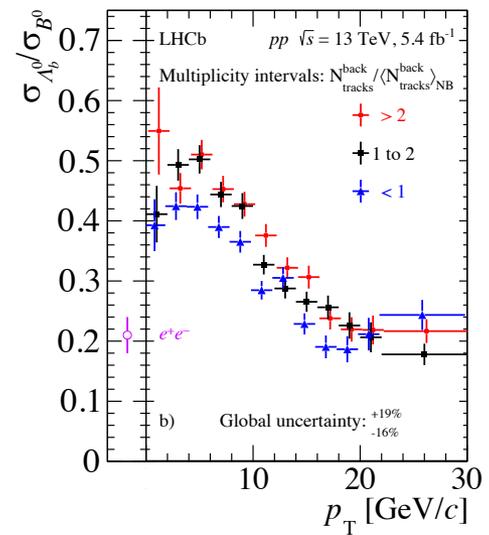
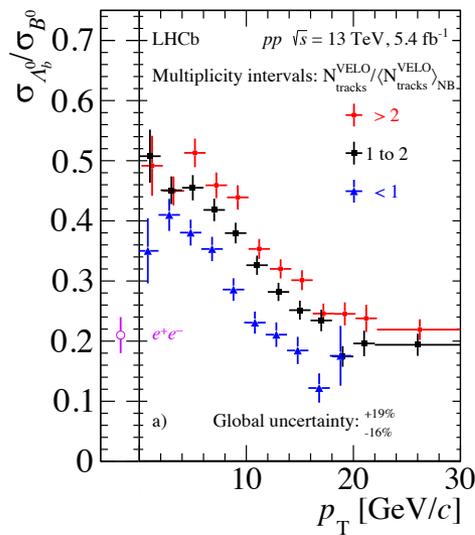
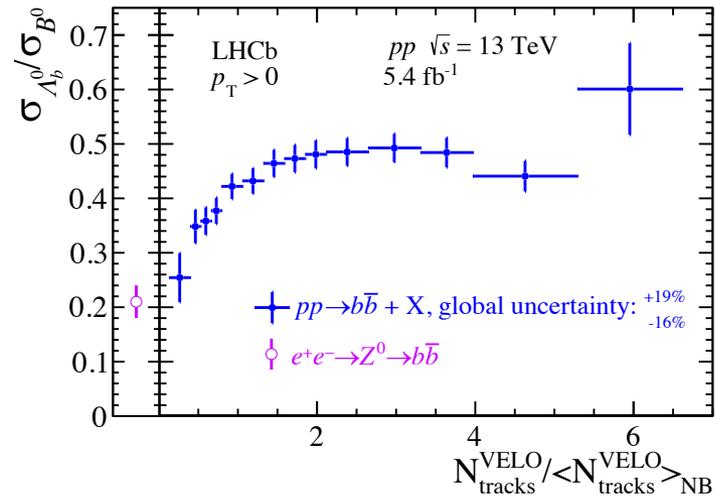
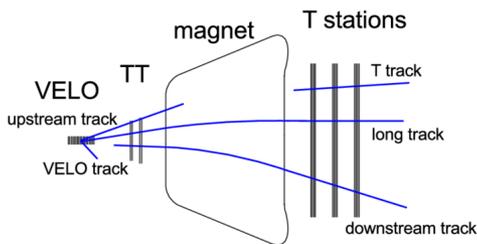
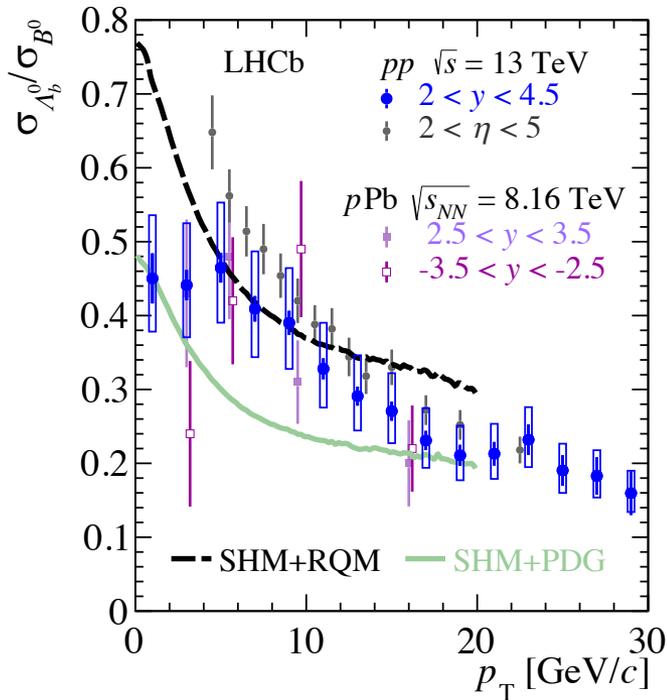


# Baryon-to-meson ratio



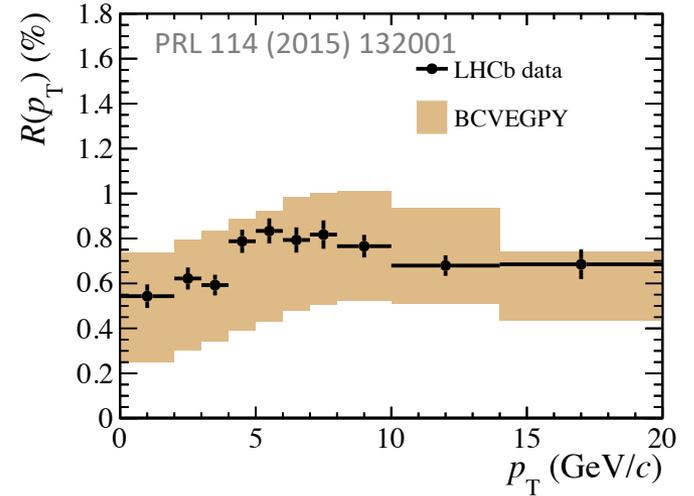
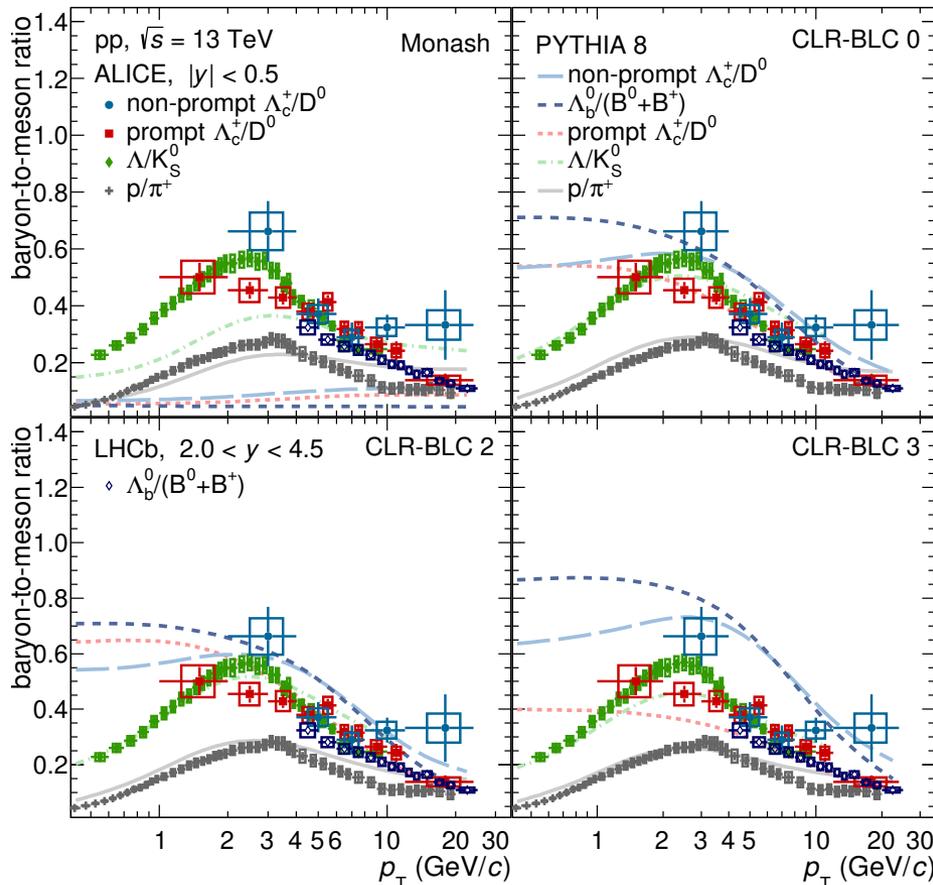
- Clear trend as function of  $p_T$ , well described by, e.g.,
  - Pythia8 + New Colour-Reconnection (CR) mode
  - Statistical Hadronisation (SH) including additional excited charm baryons predicted by Relativistic Quark Model (RQM)
  - Catania, hadronisation via coalescence + fragmentation

# $\sigma(\Lambda_b^0)/\sigma(B^0)$ Vs. Multiplicity



# Flavour dep. of Baryon/meson

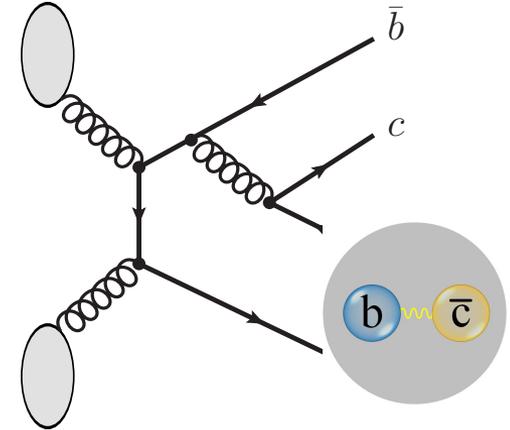
- Similar baryon-formation mechanism among light, strange, charm, and beauty hadrons?



Meson-to-meson ratio?

# $B_c$ production

- Difficult to produce at  $e^+e^-$  machine. Mainly through  $gg \rightarrow B_c + b + \bar{c}$  at LHC
- Production rate
  - Theoretical prediction (in nb)



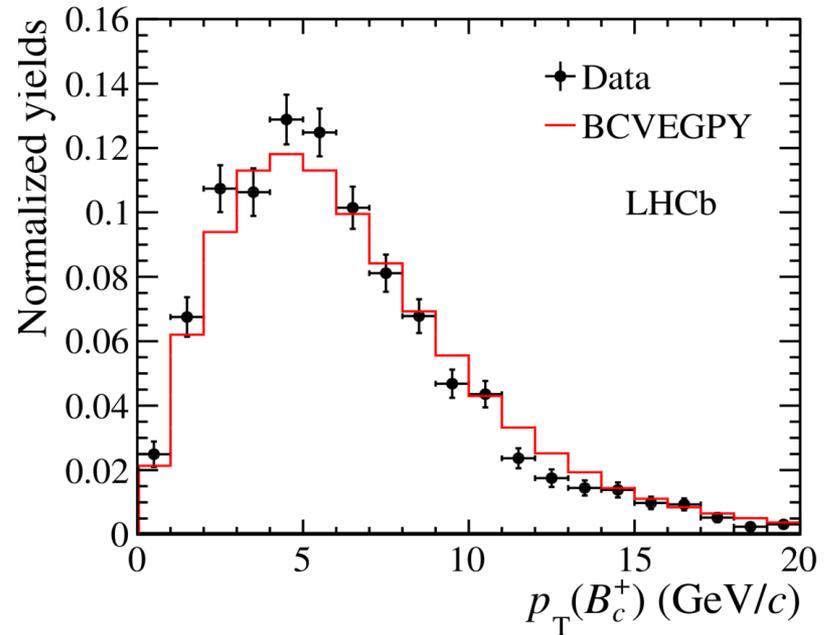
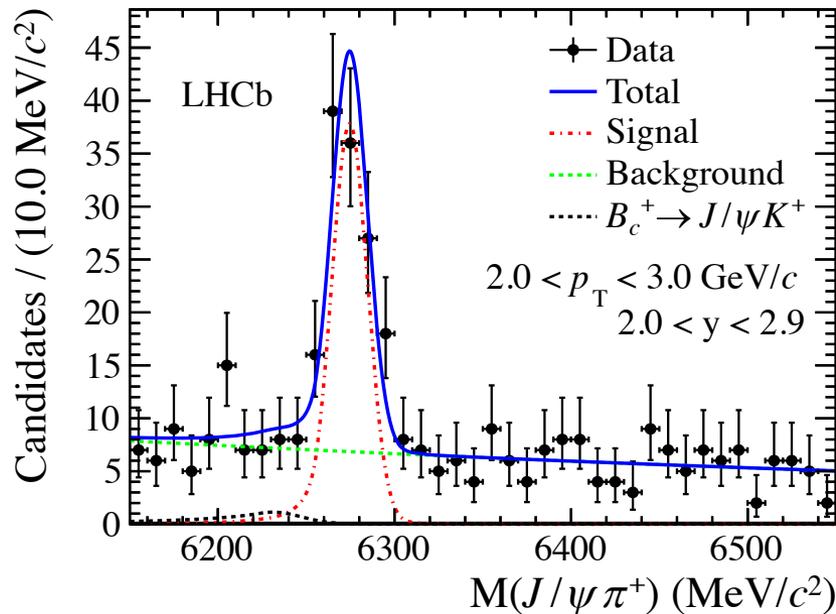
[C.-H. Chang, *et al.*, PRD 71 (2005) 074012]

-	$ (^1S_0)_1\rangle$	$ (^3S_1)_1\rangle$	$ (^1S_0)_{8g}\rangle$	$ (^3S_1)_{8g}\rangle$	$ (^1P_1)_1\rangle$	$ (^3P_0)_1\rangle$	$ (^3P_1)_1\rangle$	$ (^3P_2)_1\rangle$
LHC <sup>†</sup>	71.1	177.	(0.357, 3.21)	(1.58, 14.2)	9.12	3.29	7.38	20.4
TEVATRON	5.50	13.4	(0.0284, 0.256)	(0.129, 1.16)	0.655	0.256	0.560	1.35

- Color octet contribution is small
  - $\sigma(2S)/\sigma(1S)$  would be  $|R_{2S}(0)/R_{1S}(0)| \approx 0.6$
  - $\sigma(B_c^+) \sim 0.9 \mu\text{b}$  for  $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$

# $B_c^+$ diff. production by LHCb

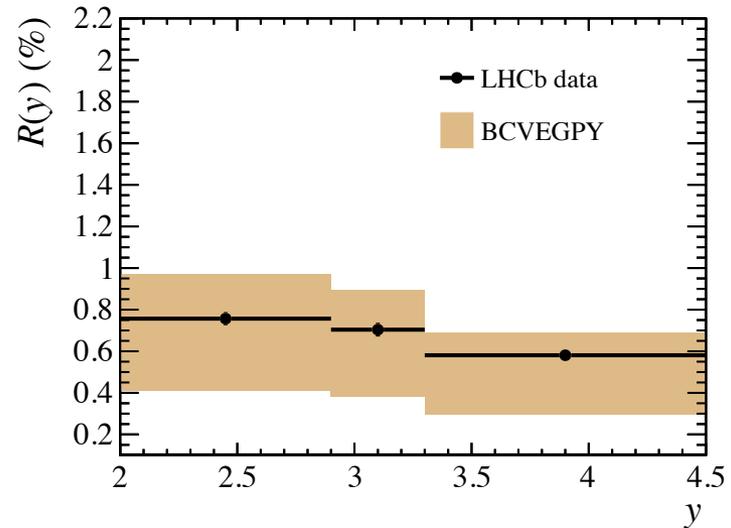
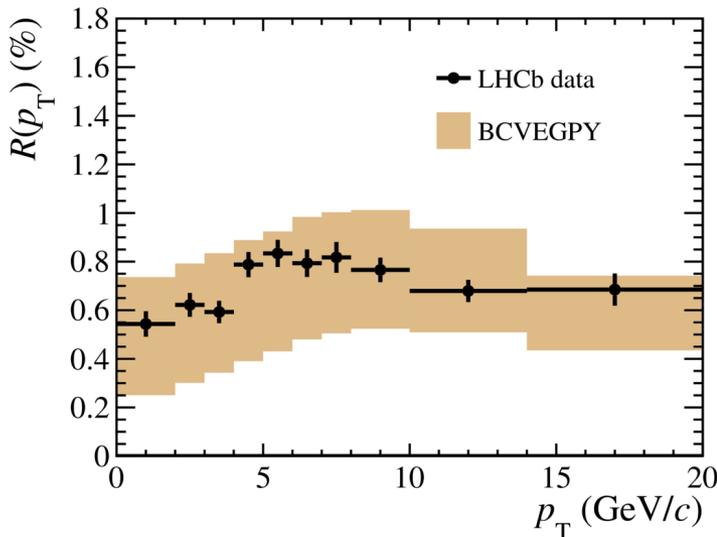
- Double-differential production as  $(p_T, y)$ , w/  $2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  data at 8 TeV
- $p_T$  distribution well described by BcVegPy



# $B_c^+$ diff. production by LHCb

- $$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\sigma(B_c^+) \cdot \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+)}{\sigma(B^+) \cdot \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+)} = (0.683 \pm 0.018 \pm 0.009)\%$$

for  $p_T < 20$  GeV,  $y \in [2, 4.5]$
- Using  $\sigma(B_c^+) = 0.47 \mu\text{b}$ , theoretical prediction by BcVegPy  
 $\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+) = 0.33\%$  [C.-F. Qiao *et al.*, PRD 89 (2014) 034008]  
 $\sigma(B^+, p_T(B) < 40 \text{ GeV}/c, 2.0 < y < 4.5) = 38.9 \mu\text{b}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV,  
 measured by LHCb [JHEP 08 (2013) 117], scaled up by 1.2 for 8 TeV  
 $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+) = (0.1016 \pm 0.0033)\%$ , PDG'12



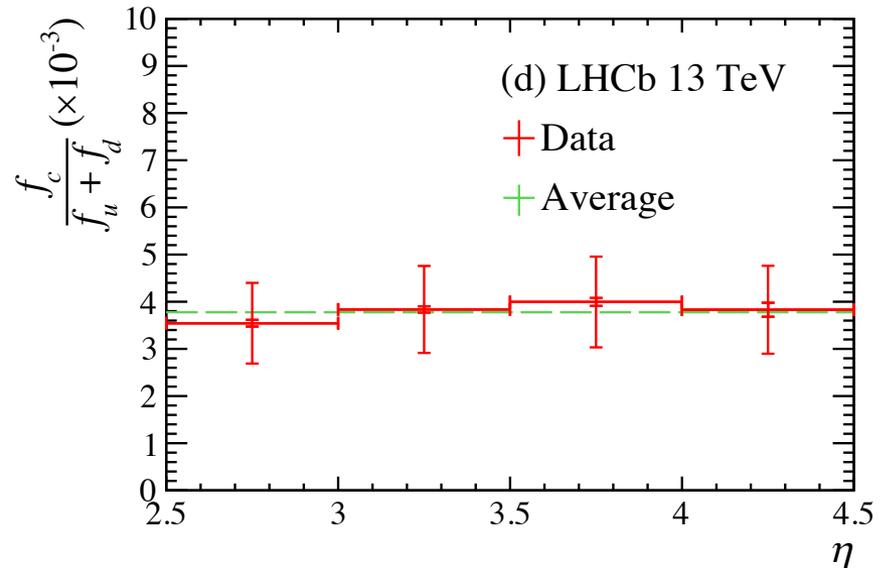
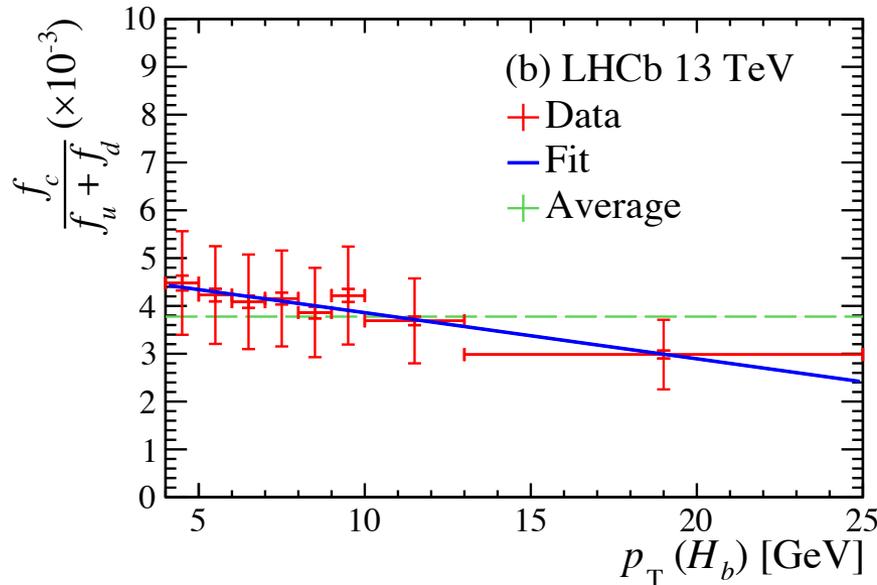
# $B_c^+$ production w/ $J/\psi\mu^+ X$

- Similar trend seen in  $p_T > 5$  GeV region

Use  $\langle B_{sl} \rangle = (10.70 \pm 0.19)\%$ ,  $\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\mu^+\nu) = (1.95 \pm 0.46)\%$

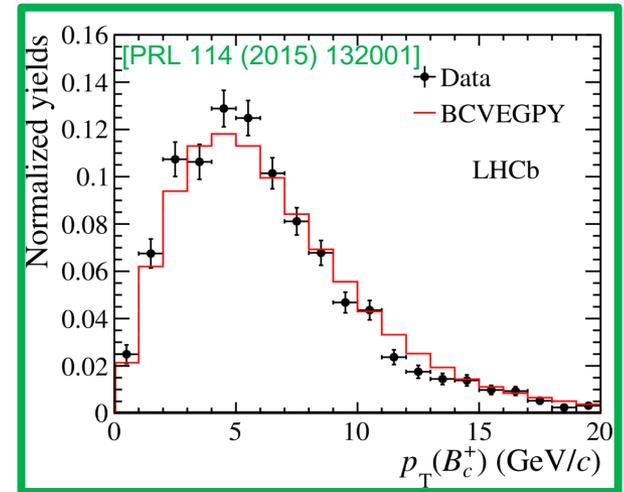
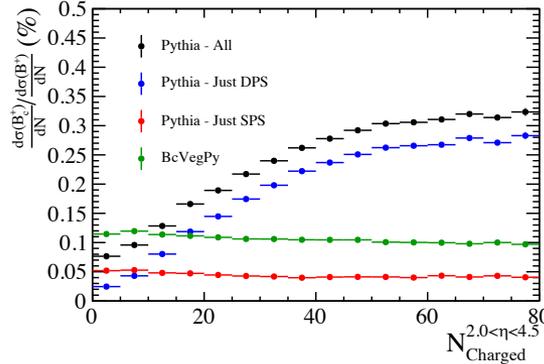
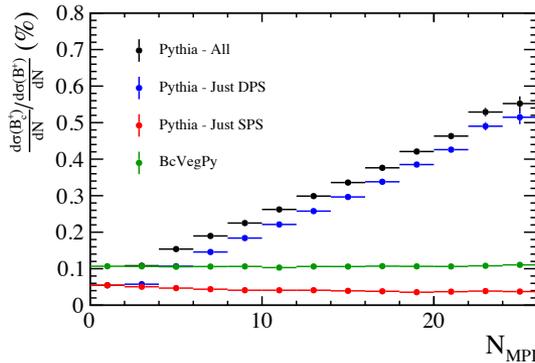
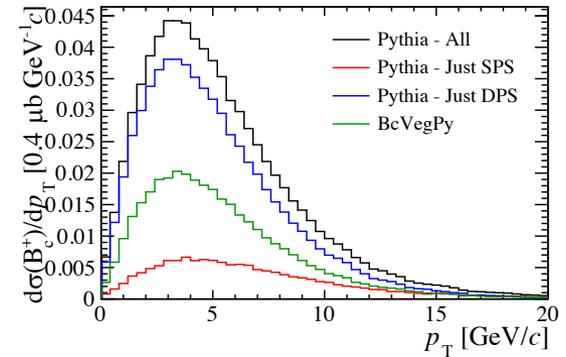
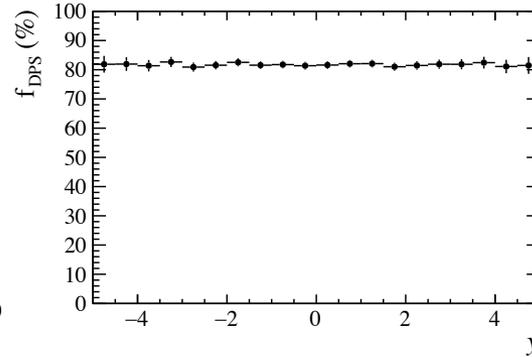
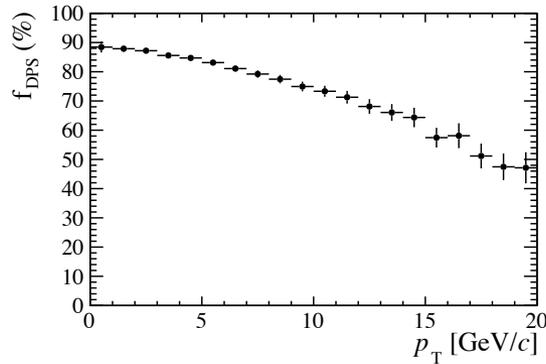
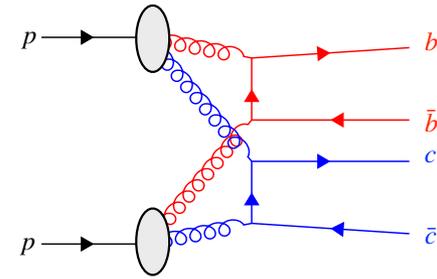
$$\frac{f_c}{f_u+f_d} = (3.78 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.89) \times 10^{-3} \text{ at 13 TeV}$$

[PRD 100 (2019) 112006]



# DPS contribution?

- Very big as predicted by Pythia
- Different  $p_T$  spectrum? However...



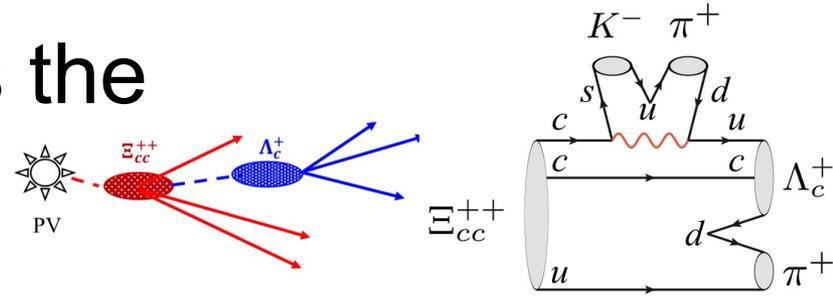
[U. Egede *et al.*, EPJC 82 (2022) 773]



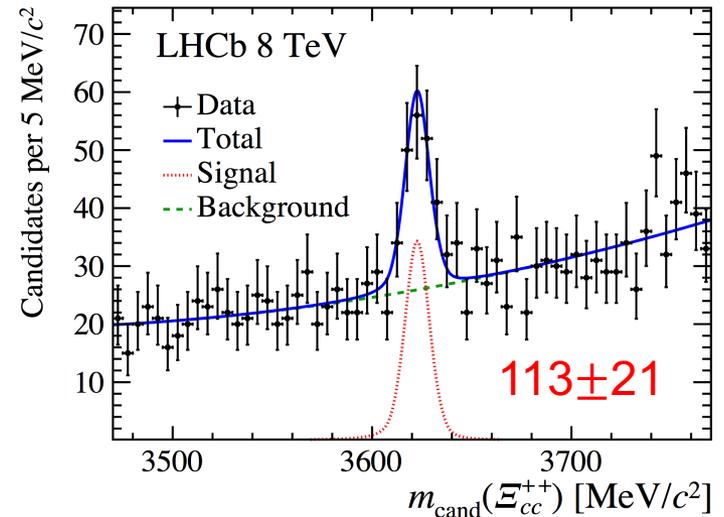
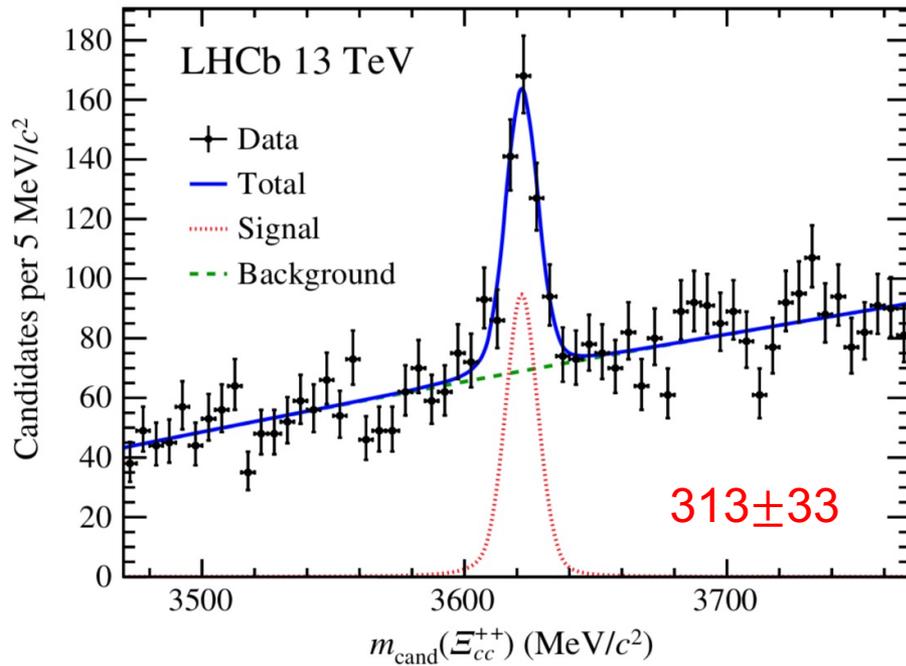
# Observation of $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$

- $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$  identified as the most promising channel

[F.-S. Yu *et al.*, CPC 42 (2018) 051001]



- First observation, in 2016 ( $>12\sigma$ ) & Run-I ( $>7\sigma$ )



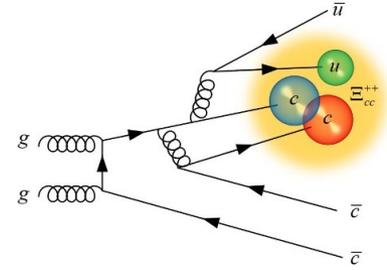
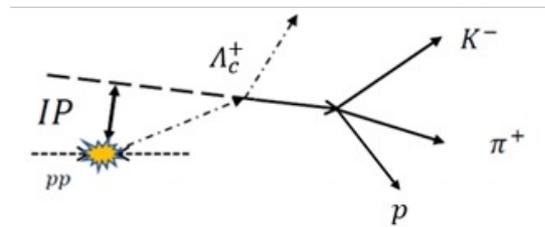
# Measurement of $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$ production

- Measured by LHCb w/ 2016 data

- Relative to  $\Lambda_c^+$ , in

$$4 < p_T < 15 \text{ GeV},$$

$$2 < y < 4.5$$

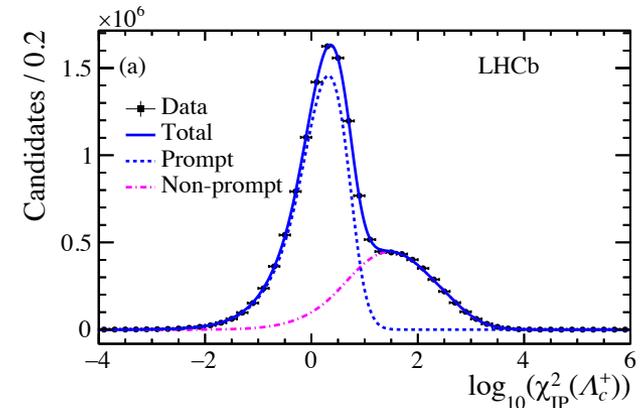
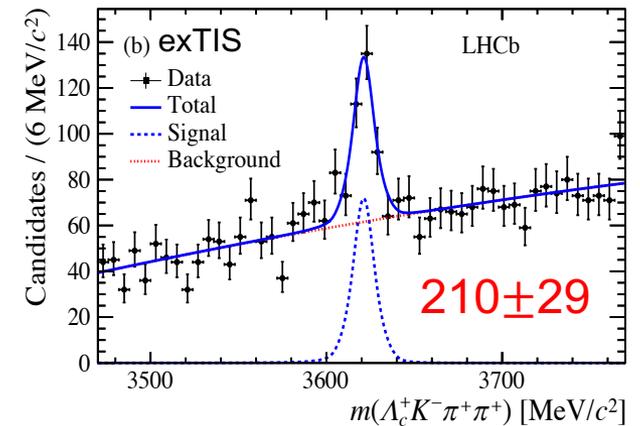


$$\frac{\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^{++})}{\sigma(\Lambda_c^+)} \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+)$$

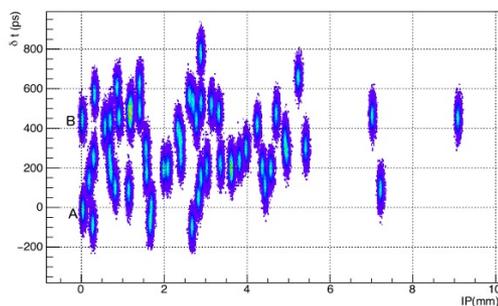
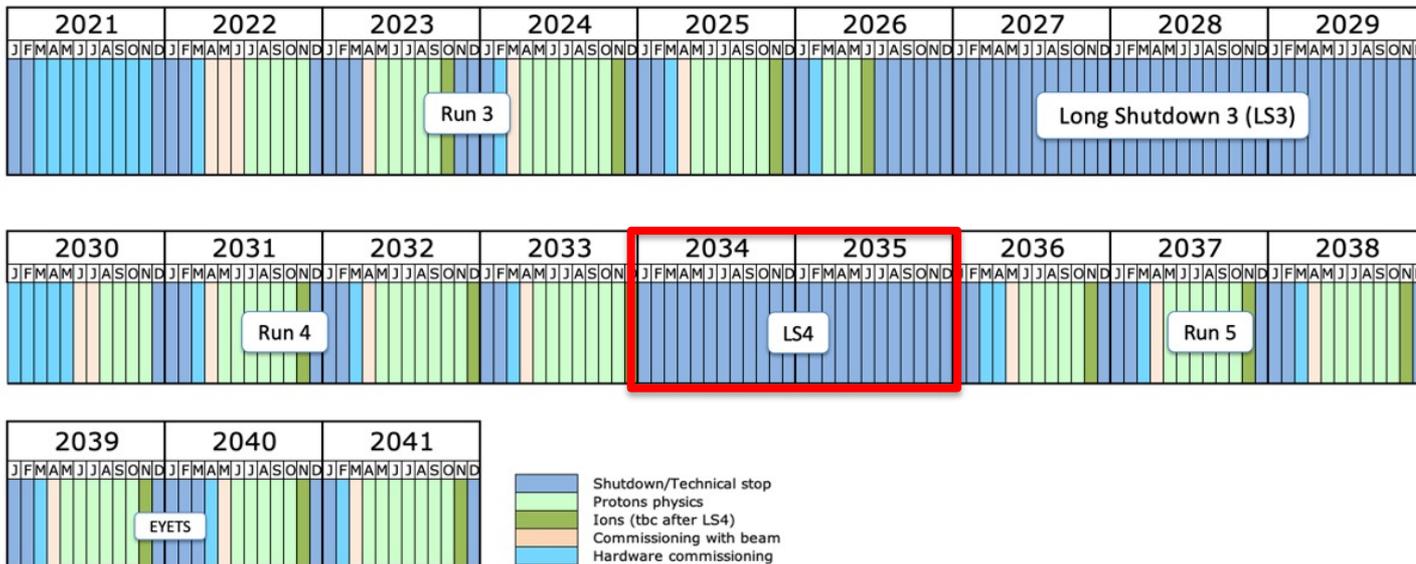
$$= (2.22 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.29) \times 10^{-4}$$

SELEX, 20%  $\Lambda_c^+$  from  $\Xi_{cc}^+$

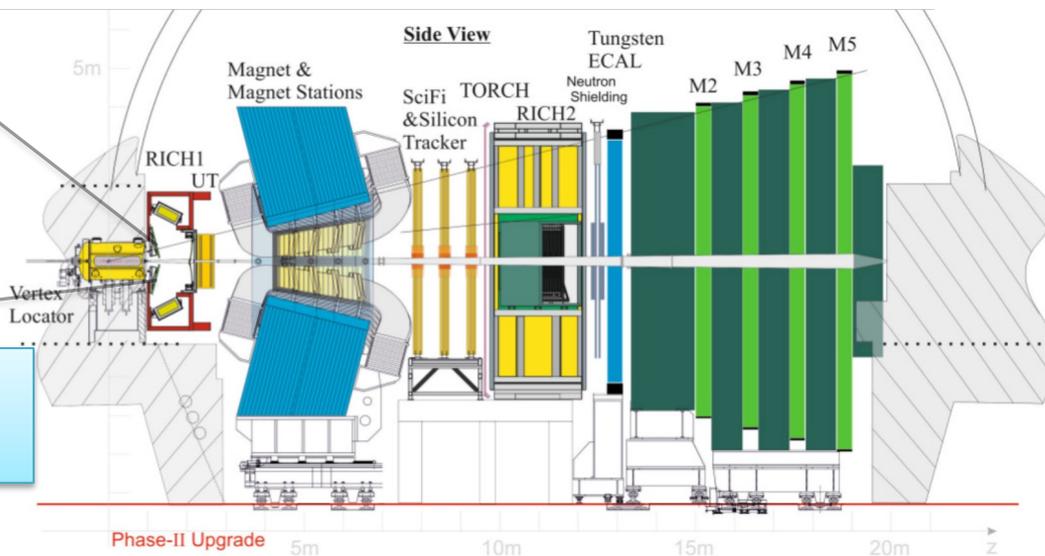
[SELEX, PRL 89 (2002) 112001]



# The LHCb upgrades

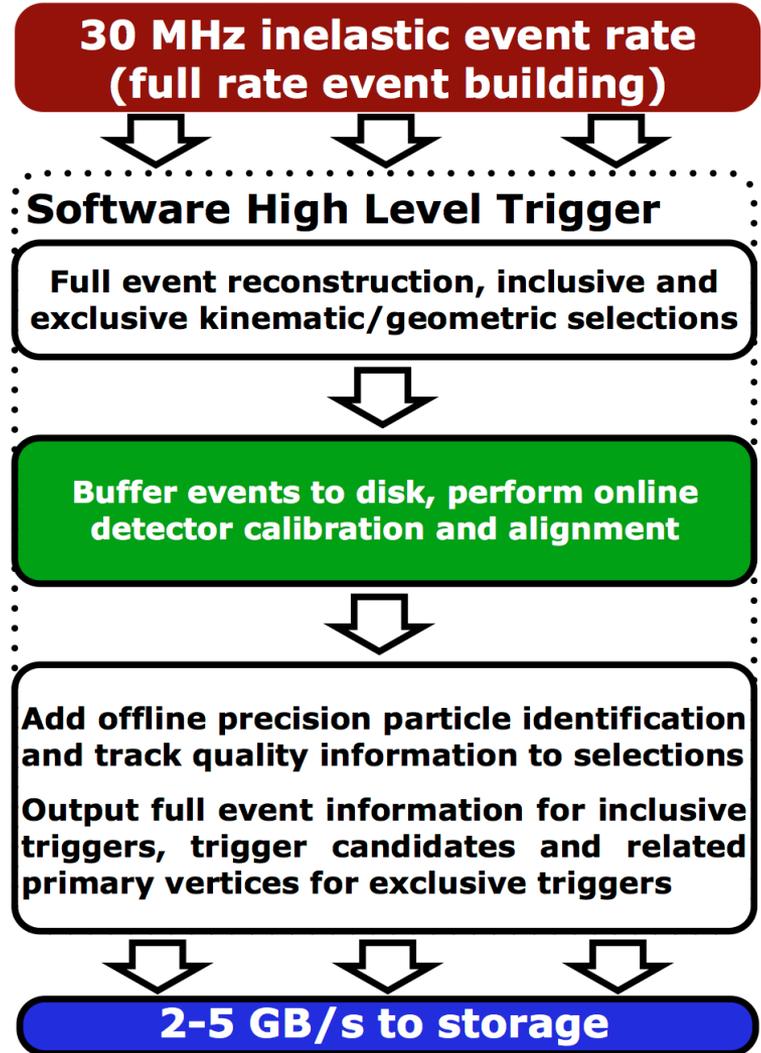
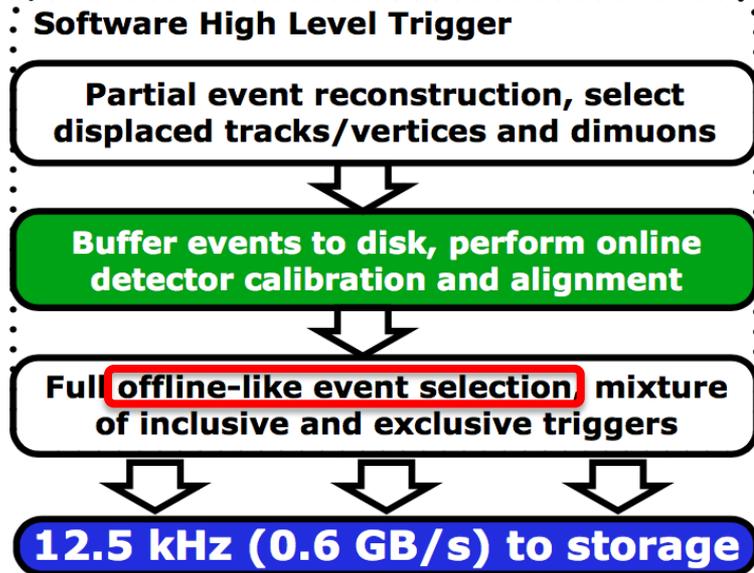
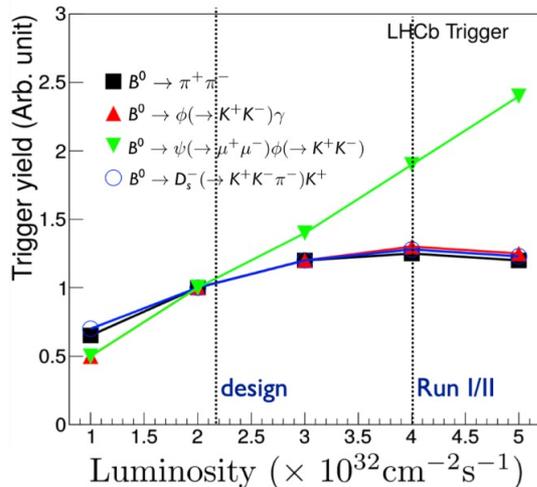


Upgrade II, 4D detector  
Timing,  $\mathcal{O}(10 \text{ ps})$ , is essential



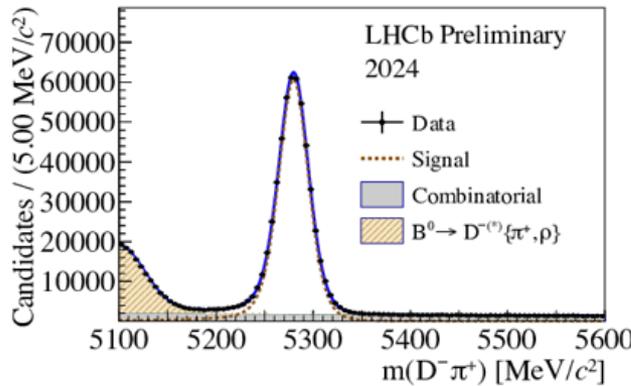
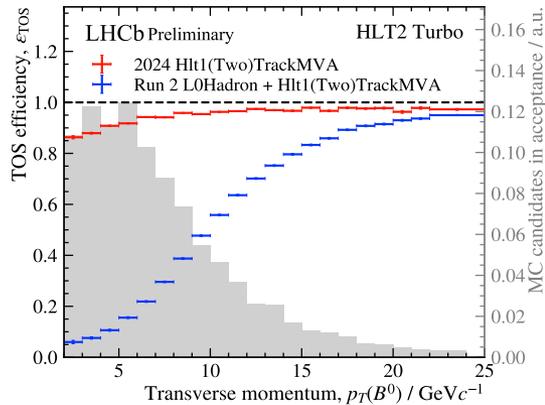
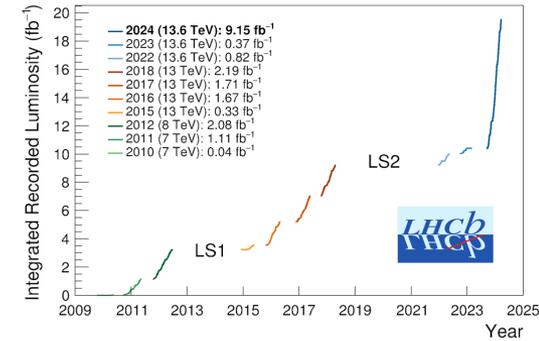
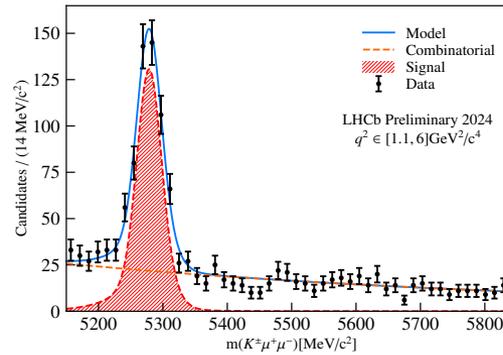
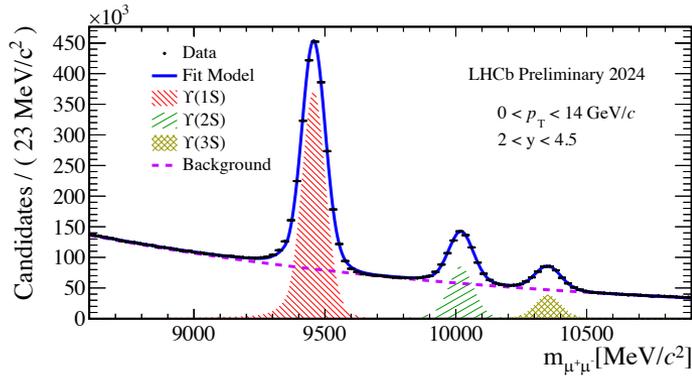
[CERN-LHCC-2018-027, 2021-012]

# The LHCb trigger (Run3)



# Data-taking in 2024

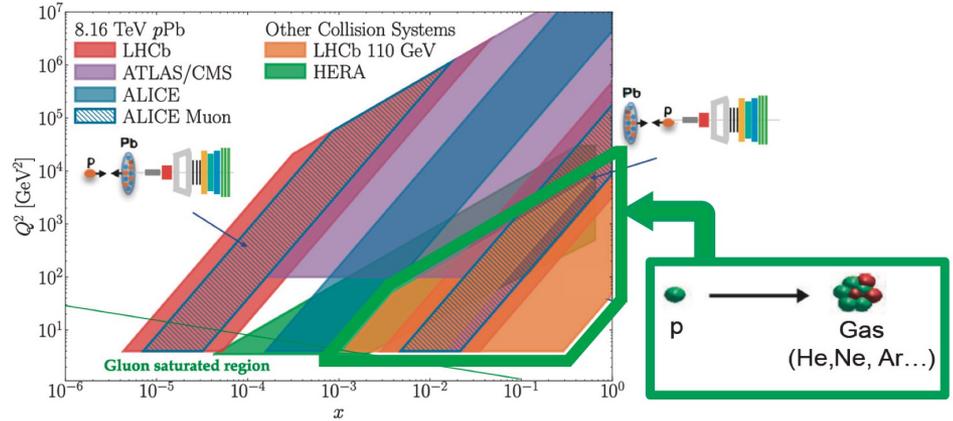
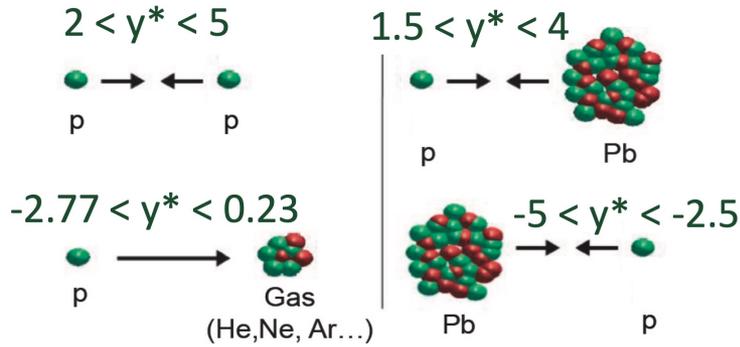
- Calibration / alignments much improved



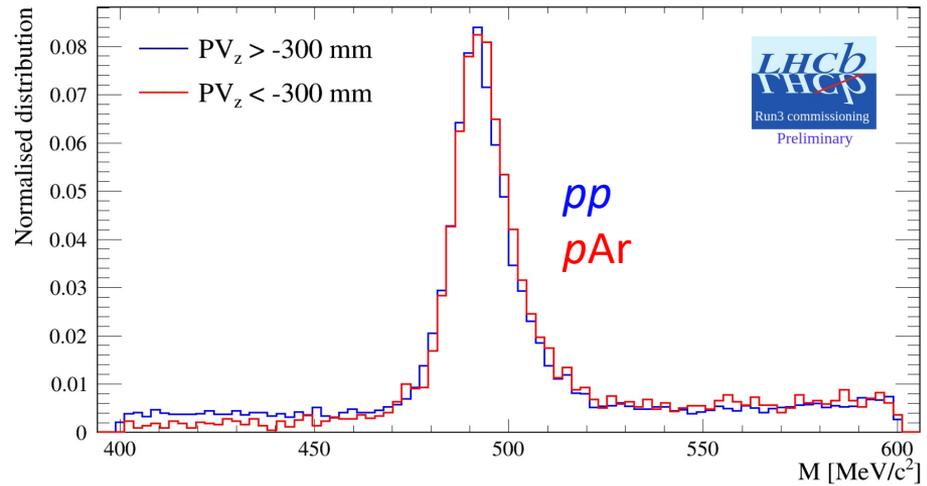
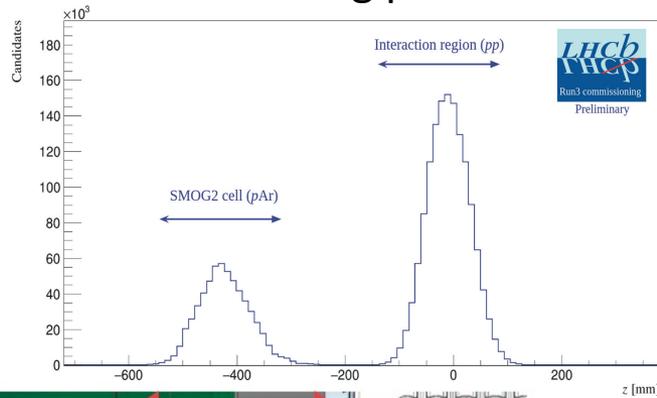
Trigger efficiency for hadronic modes improved by a factor of  $\sim 2$

# SMOG (System for Measuring Overlap with Gas)

[LHCb-Figure-2023-008]

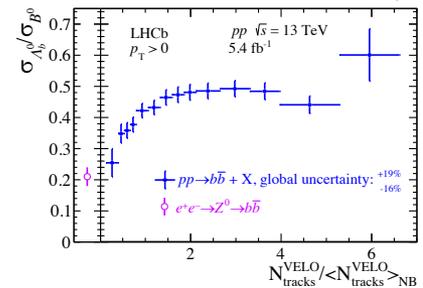
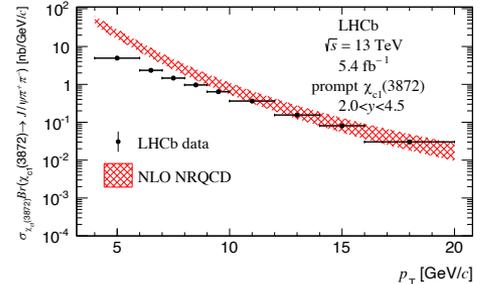


Simultaneous data-taking possible



# Summary

- Heavy flavour production in  $pp$  at LHCb
  - Charomonium(like)
  - Beauty
  - $B_c^+$
  - Doubly charmed baryon



- With LHCb upgrade ( $50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) & upgrade-II ( $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ), much more will be done
- Your suggestions are always appreciated!