

First $d^2\sigma/dp_T dy$ measurement of D^0 photoproduction in PbPb UPCs

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D⁰ photoproduction in UPCs

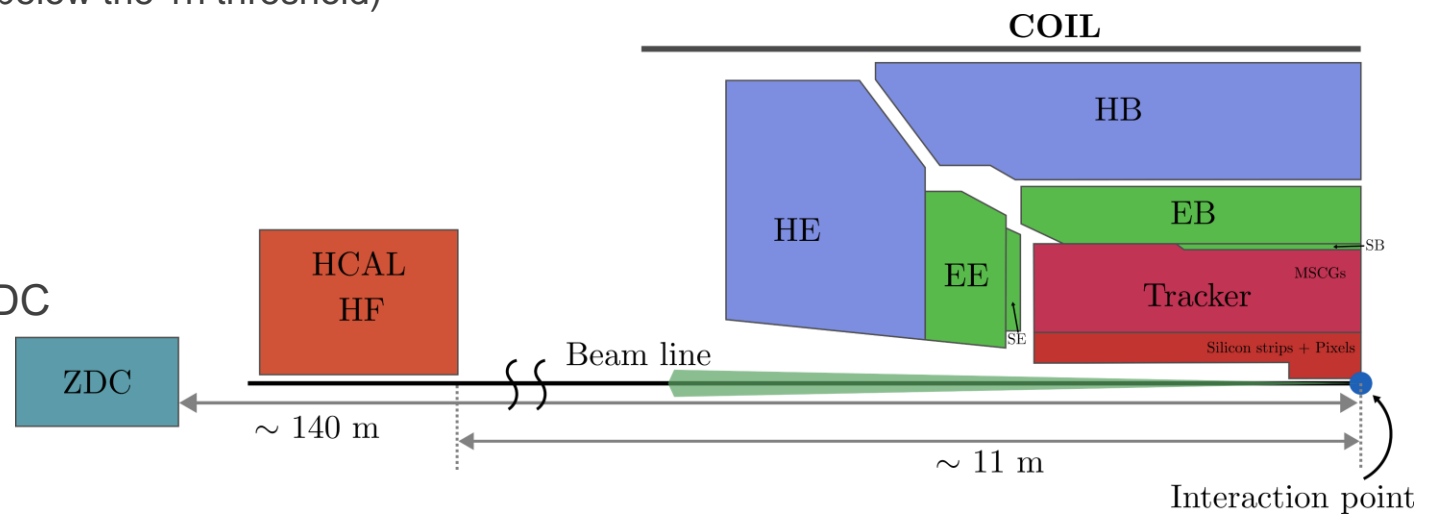
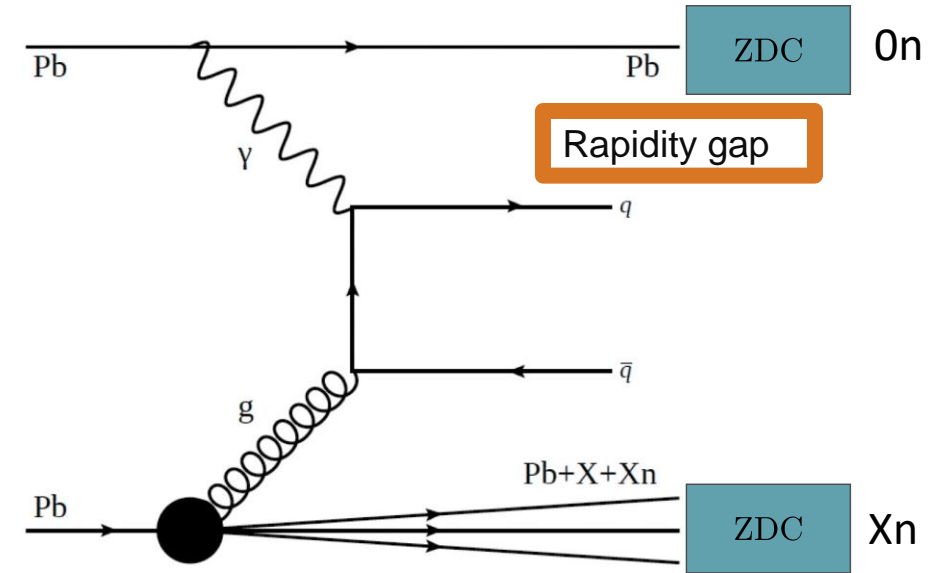
- D⁰ mesons produced in scatterings of **quasi-real photons** emitted by one nucleus with **partons** from the other colliding nucleus
- Decay channel: $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$ (and charge conj.)

New trigger strategy for photoproduction

- New Level-1 triggers that use **both ZDC and HCAL/ECAL** information to maximize the statistics of D⁰ photonuclear events
- D⁰ p_T dependent trigger use:
 - **High p_T D⁰ → ZDC XOR** (exactly one ZDC above the 1n threshold) + **Jet trigger**
 - **Low p_T D⁰ → ZDC OR trigger** (at least one ZDC below the 1n threshold)

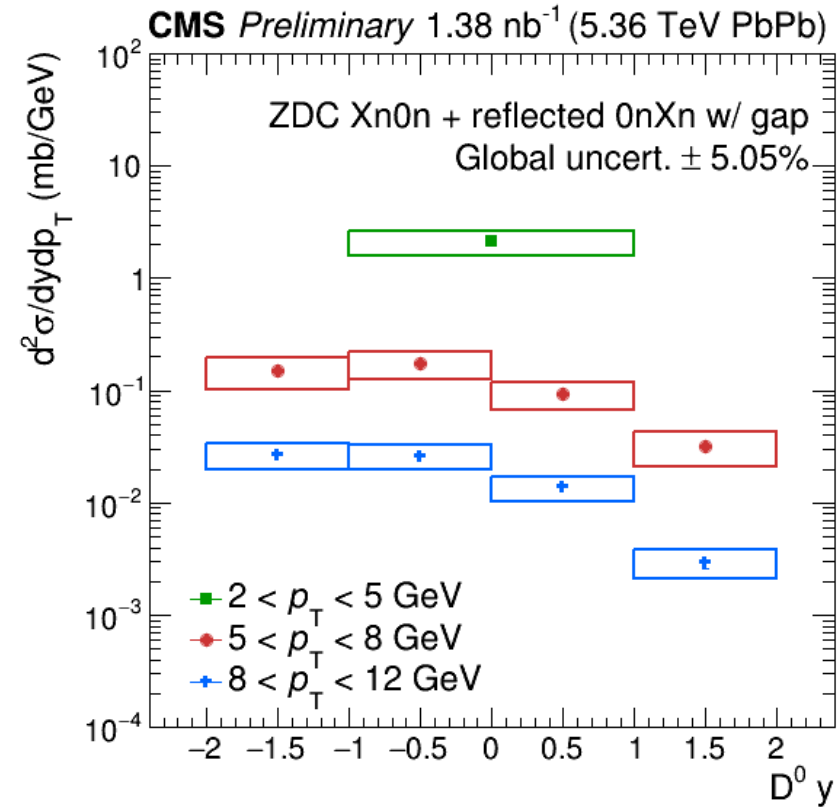
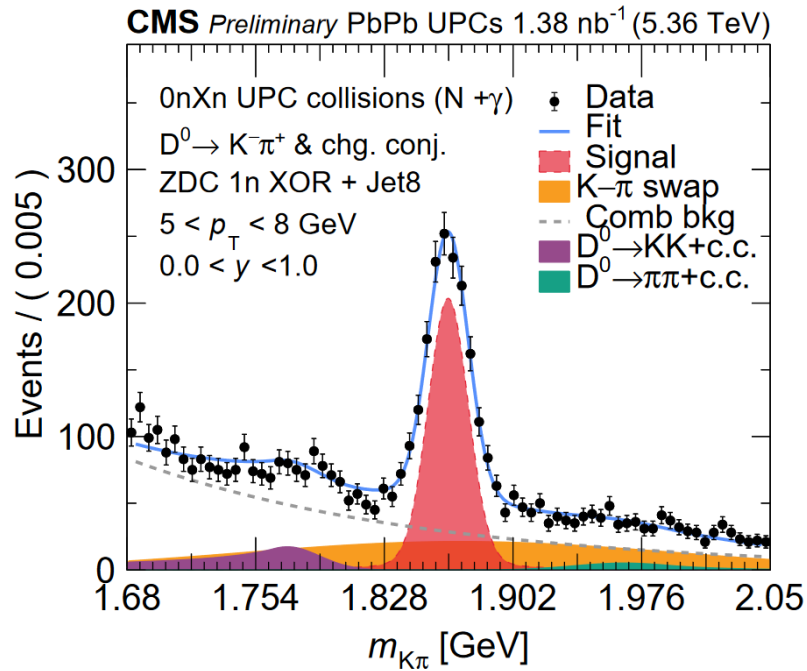
Main offline event selections

- **ZDC selection:** Xn0n or 0nXn
- **Rapidity gap** ($3 < |\eta| < 5.2$) on the side of „empty” ZDC



Final cross sections

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dp_T dy}(D^0 p_T, D^0 y) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\mathcal{L}\mathcal{B}} \frac{N_{D^0}^{\text{raw}}}{\epsilon_{\text{evt}} \epsilon_{\text{trigger}} P_{\text{prescale}} (\alpha \epsilon_{D^0}) \epsilon_{\text{EM,pileup}}}$$



- **Conclusions:**

- New constraints on nuclear matter with open charmed hadrons in UPCs in a large region of x and Q²
- Future: improved (x,Q²) reach with lower p_T measurements, heavy-flavour jets, correlations