

# Open heavy-flavor and quarkonium measurements in heavy-ion collisions at the LHC

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# Motivations

## Why to study heavy-flavor production in heavy-ion collisions?

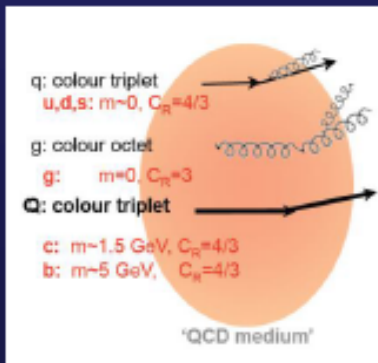
- Due to their large mass, heavy quarks (c and b) are produced at the initial stage of the collision, with typical times  $\tau_p \sim 1/m_Q \sim 0.05-0.15$  fm/c, shorter than the QGP one.
- Flavor is conserved in strong interactions, so heavy quarks are transported through (and are sensitive to) the full system evolution

## Complementarity between open heavy flavors and quarkonia:

Quarkonia



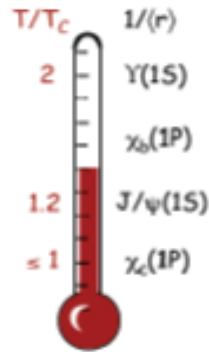
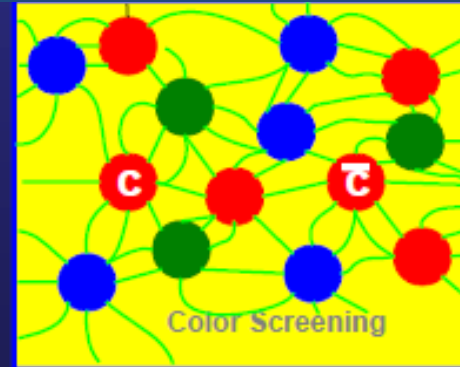
Sensitive to the temperature of QGP



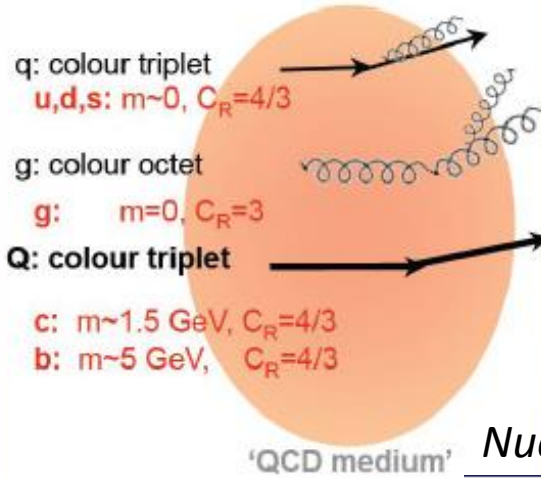
Probe the opacity of QGP



Open heavy quarks



# Open Heavy Flavors: energy loss and elliptic flow



## Heavy quark energy loss:

Relevant for understanding general properties of energy loss since this is expected to depend (also) on:

- Casimir Factor
- Quark mass

$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{1}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle} \frac{dN_{AA} / dp_T}{dN_{pp} / dp_T}$$

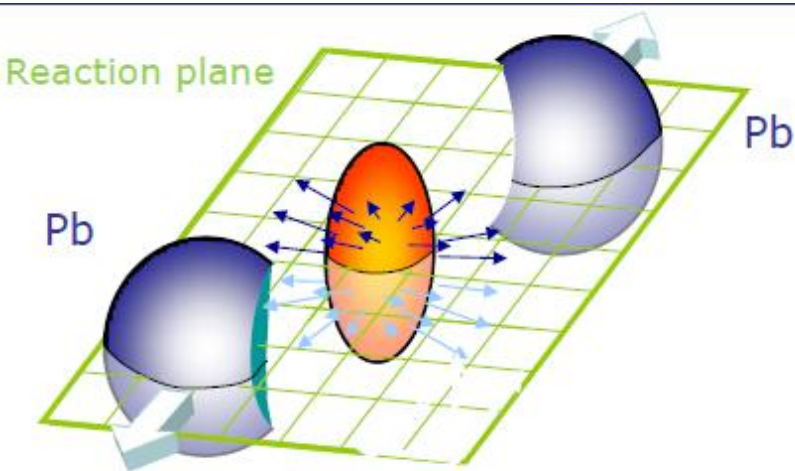
Nuclear Modification Factor

$$\Delta E_{quark} < \Delta E_{gluon}$$

$$\Delta E_b < \Delta E_c < \Delta E_{light\ q}$$

which should imply

$$R_{AA}^B > R_{AA}^D > R_{AA}^\pi$$



## Heavy quark elliptic flow:

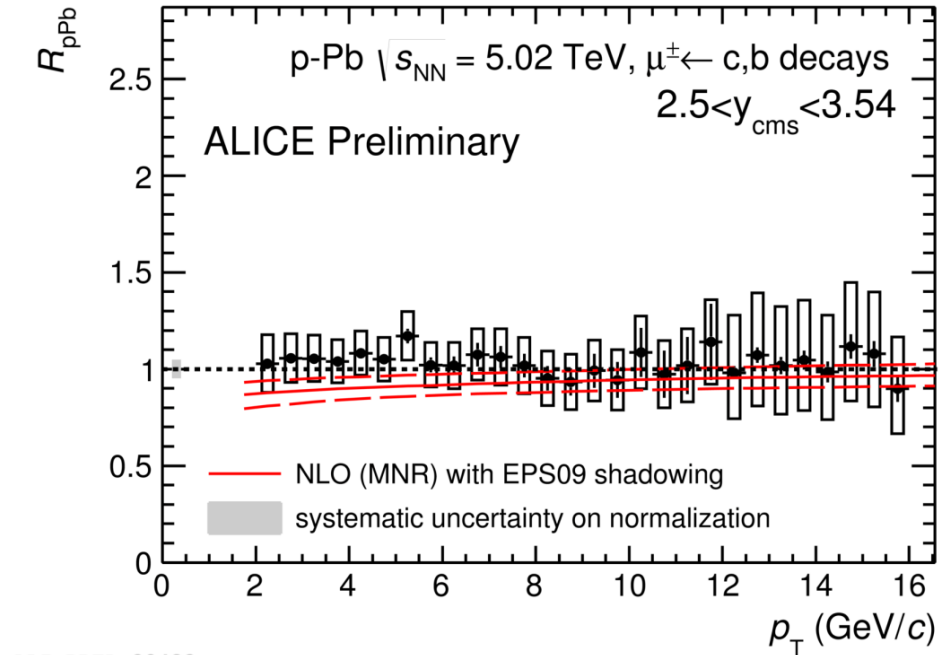
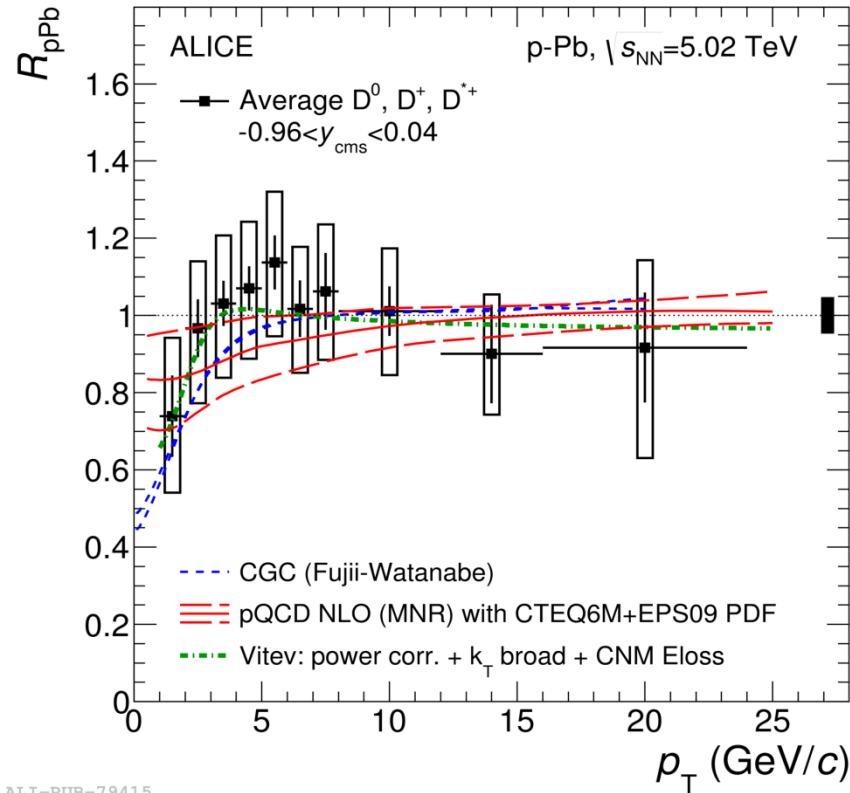
Due to their large mass, c and b quarks are expected to take a longer time (i.e. more re-scatterings) to be influenced by the collective expansion.

- Low  $p_T$ :  $v_2$  sensitive to collective motion and thermalization
- High  $p_T$ :  $v_2$  sensitive to path-length dependence of energy loss

# Open Heavy Flavor Results

- Focus on:
  - Pb-Pb results at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  TeV
  - p-Pb results at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV

# Nuclear Modification Factor in p-Pb



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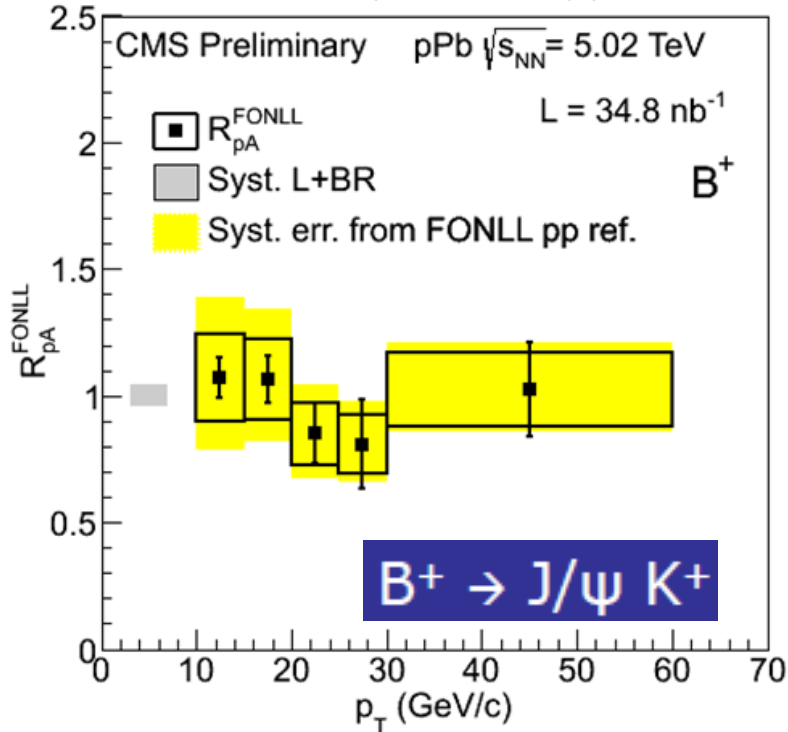
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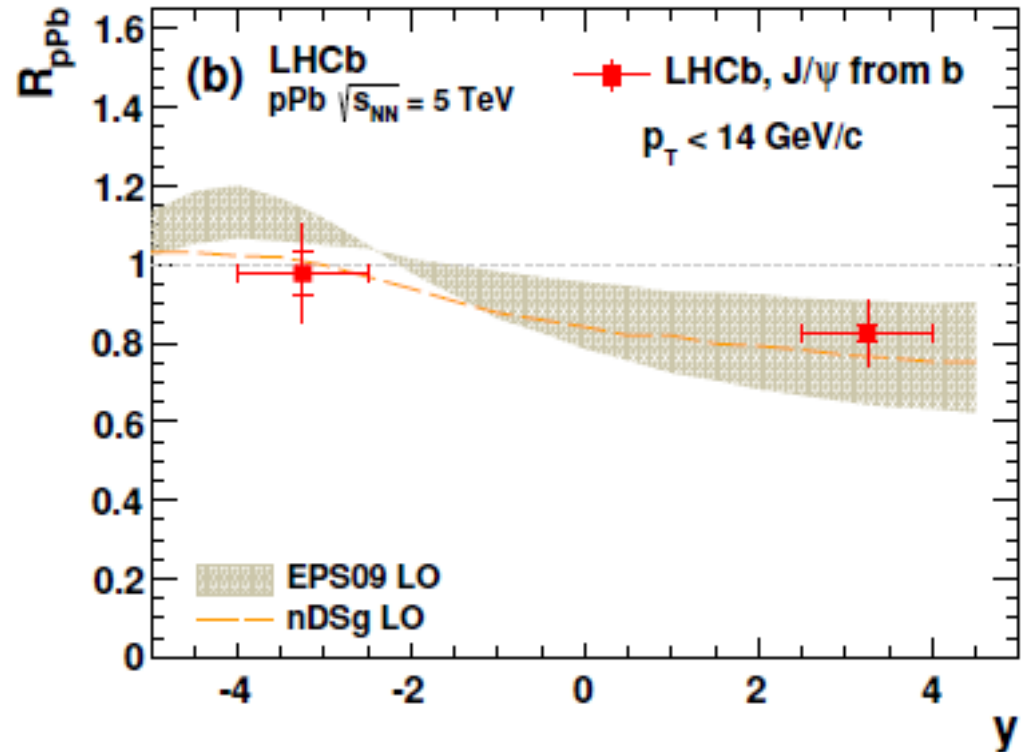
- D mesons and e/ $\mu$  from HF decays
  - Nuclear Modification Factor close to unity at intermediate and high  $p_T$
  - Reasonably good agreement with calculations including initial-state effects
- Data confirm the expectation that Nuclear Matter effects are small at large transverse momenta

# Nuclear Modification Factor in p-Pb

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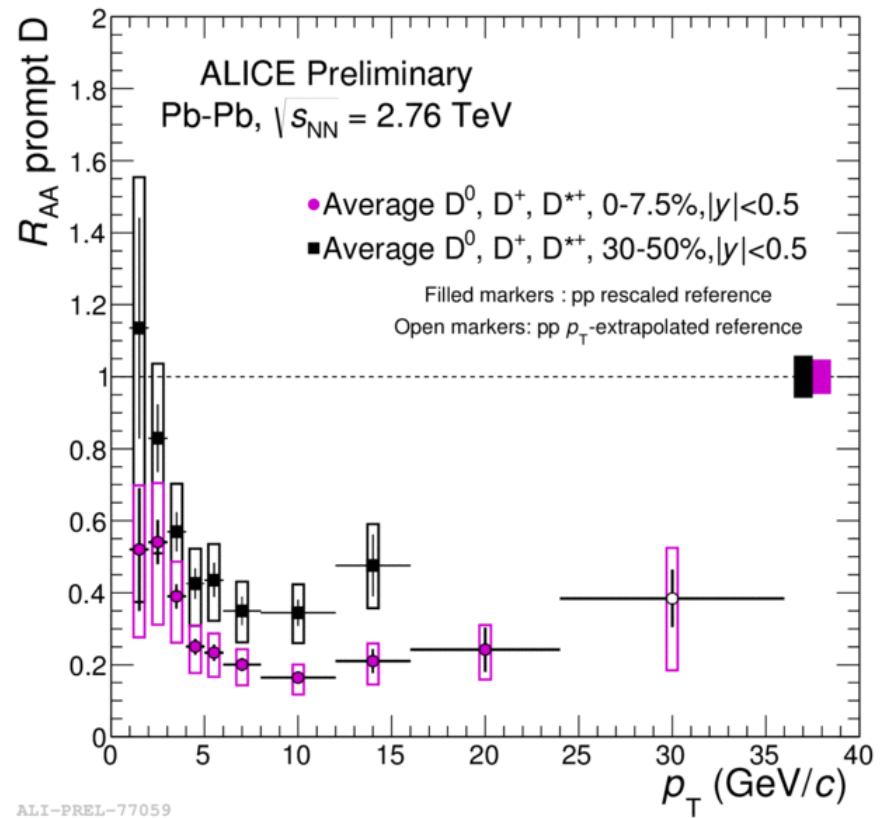
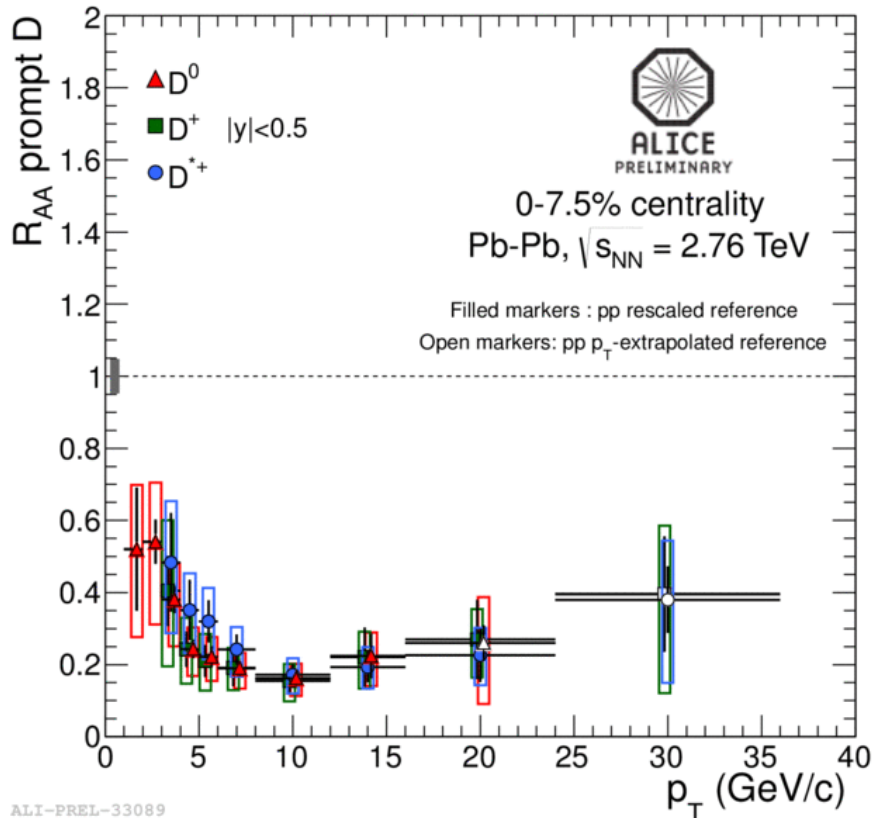
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- B mesons and non-prompt  $J/\psi$

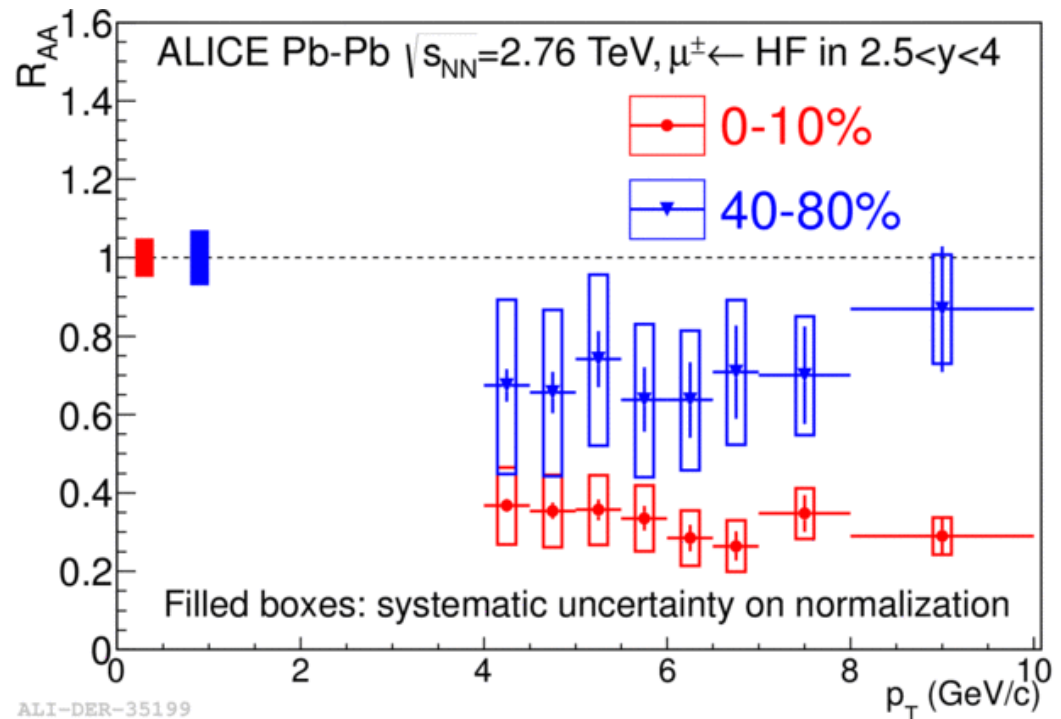
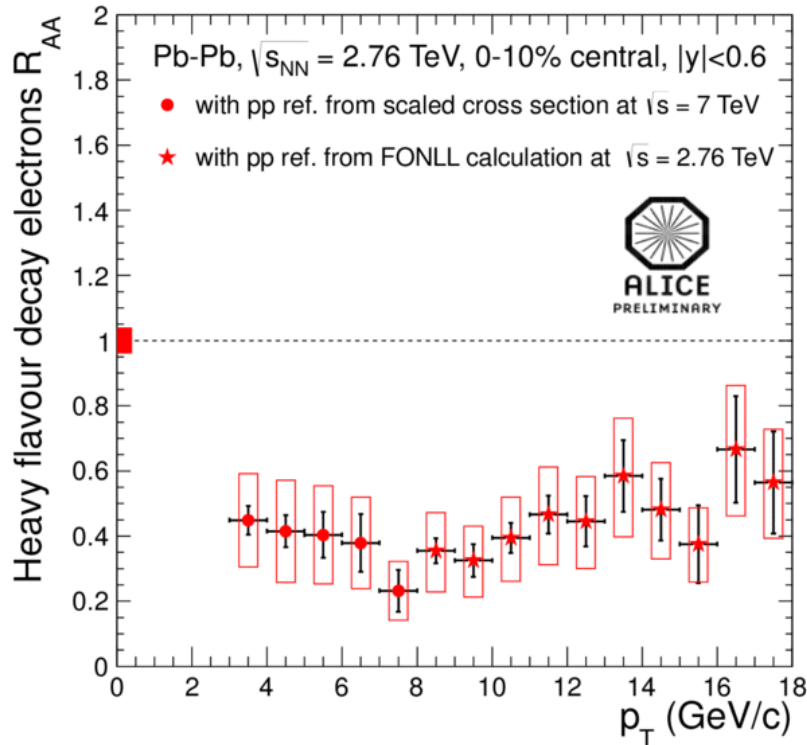
- B mesons:  $R_{pPb}$  close to unity (with FONLL used for pp reference)
- $J/\psi$  from b: small or no nuclear matter effect at forward and backward rapidity

# Nuclear Modification Factor in Pb-Pb: D-mesons



- Strong suppression of prompt D mesons in central Pb-Pb collisions (up to a factor of  $\sim 5$  for  $p_T \sim 10$  GeV/c)
- Comparison to corresponding p-Pb results suggests that the observed suppression in Pb-Pb is due to final state effects induced by hot and dense partonic matter

# $R_{AA}$ in Pb-Pb: HF decay leptons



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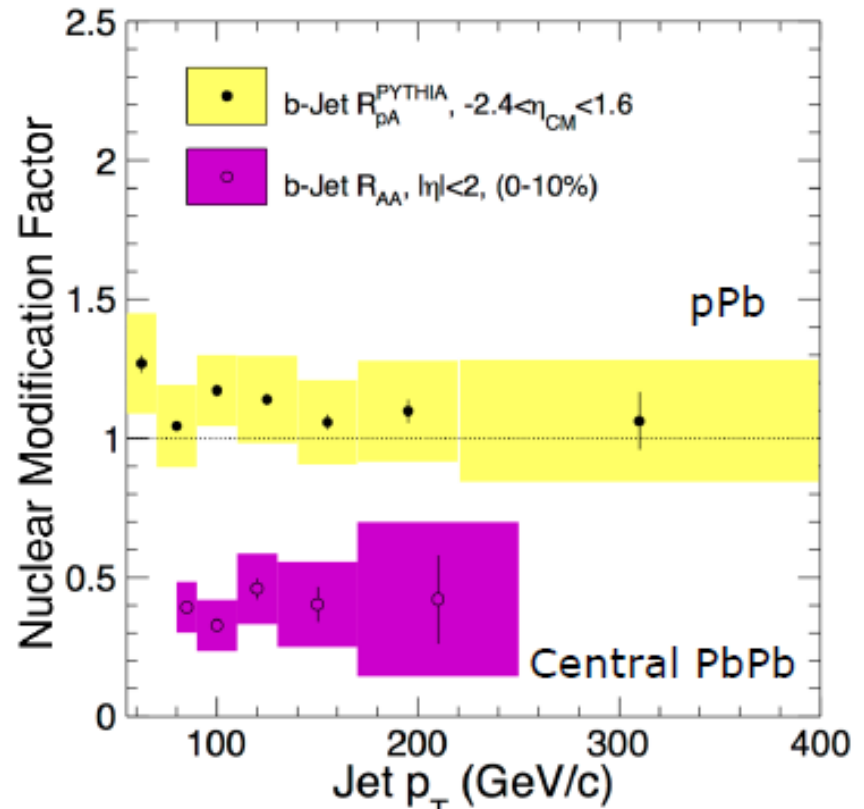
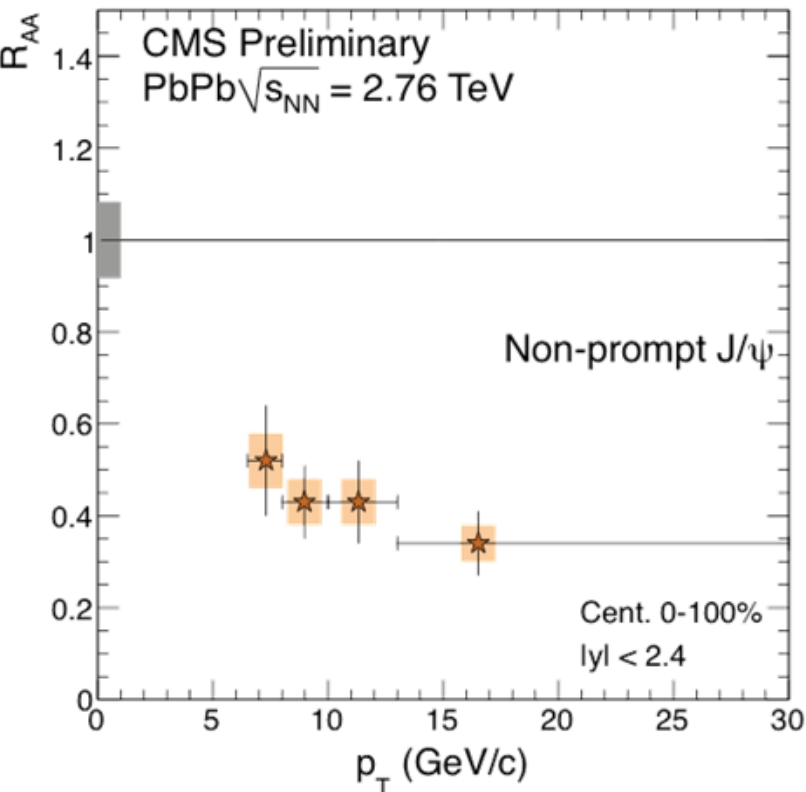
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- Similar  $R_{AA}$  for HF decay muons and electrons
- Compatible with D meson  $R_{AA}$  considering the decay kinematics (in average at high  $p_T$  electrons carry about  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the mother particle  $p_T$ )
- Picture arising from D meson data confirmed; suppression at large  $p_T$  suggests a sizeable energy loss of b quarks.



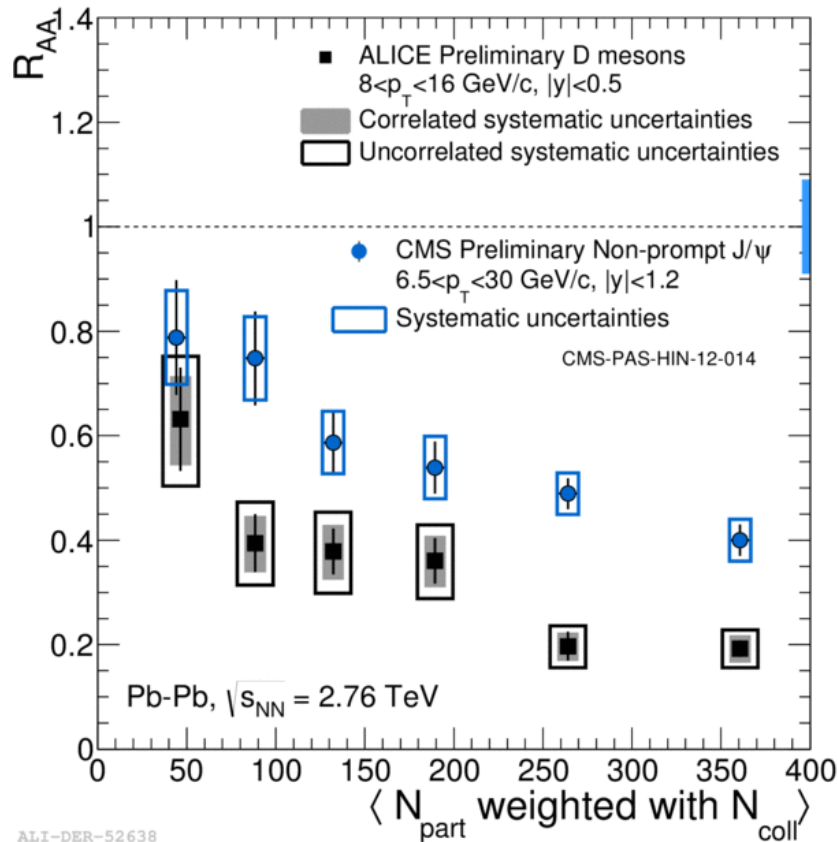
# Nuclear Modification Factor in Pb-Pb: non-prompt J/ $\psi$ and b-Jets

S. Chatrchyan et al. (CMS), arXiv:1312.4198

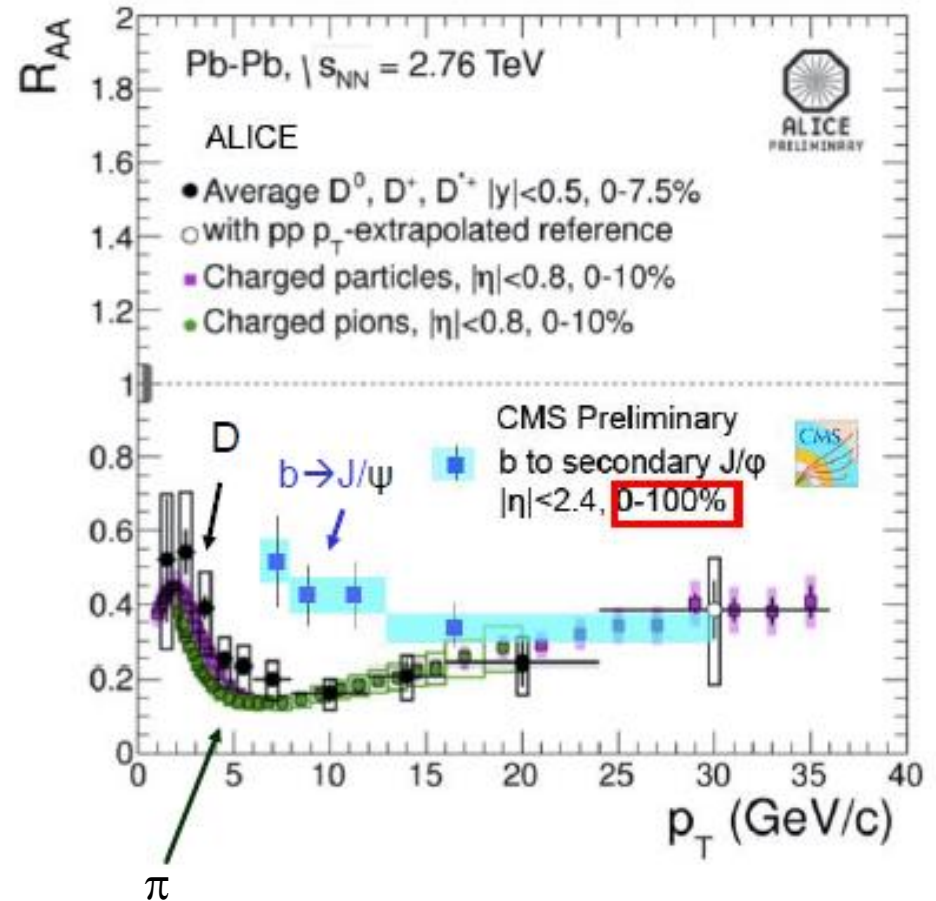


- Energy loss of b quarks confirmed by the measurements of  $R_{AA}$  for non-prompt J/ $\psi$  and b-jets

# Charm, Beauty and light hadrons: a comparison

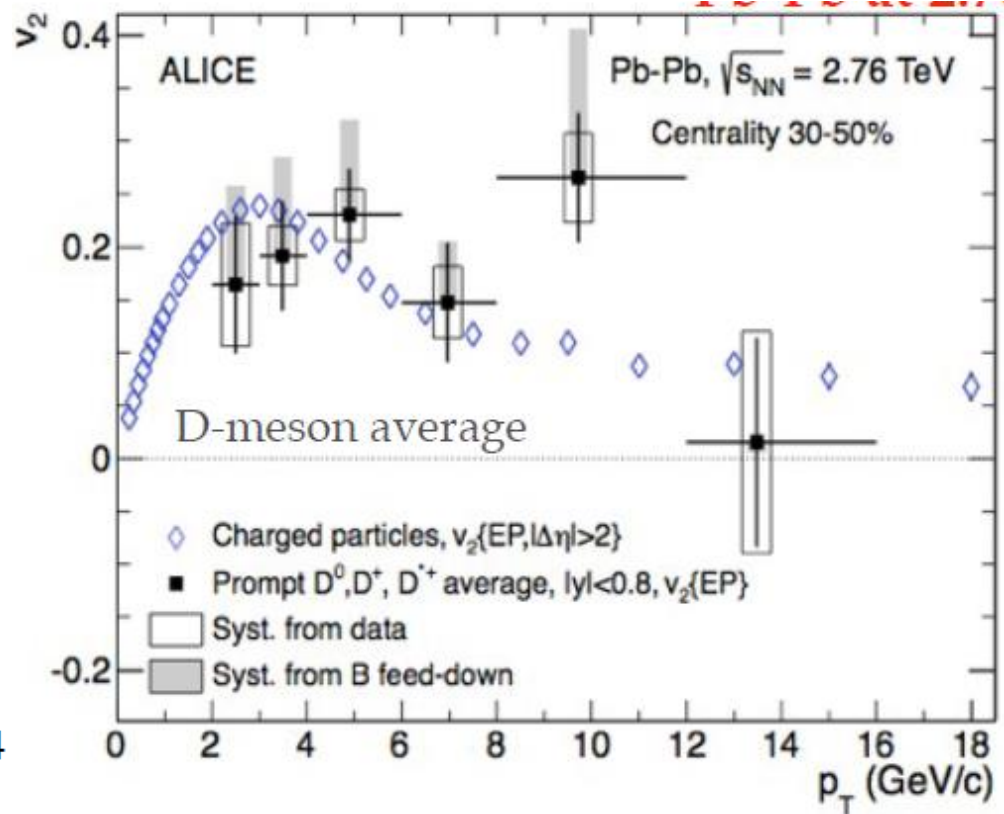
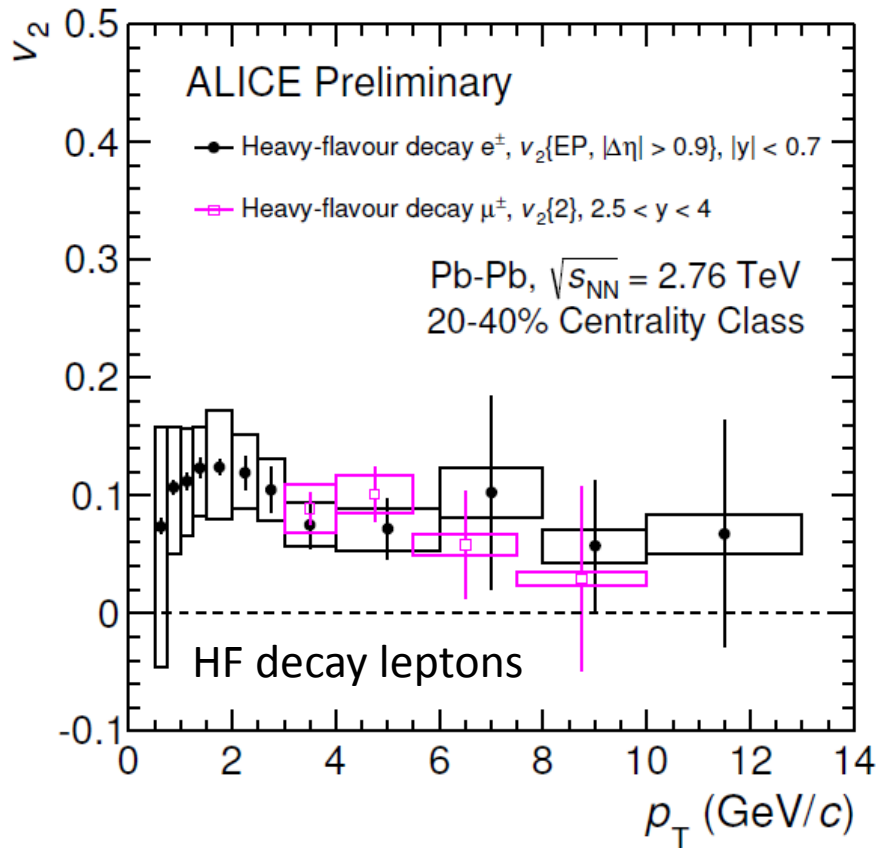


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- $\square$  Indication for  $R_{AA}^{beauty} > R_{AA}^{charm}$
- $\square$   $R_{AA}^{beauty} > R_{AA}^{light}$  at low  $p_T$ , effect vanishing at very high  $p_T$
- $\square$   $R_{AA}^{charm}$  vs.  $R_{AA}^{light}$  comparison more delicate

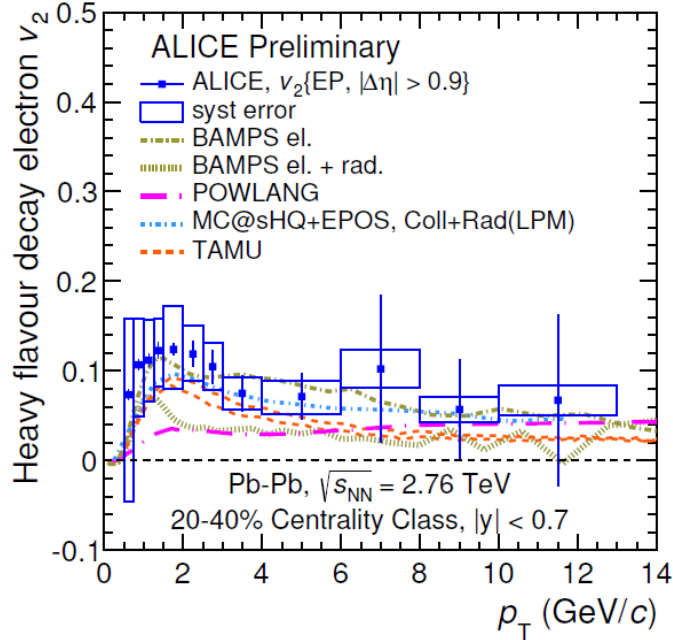
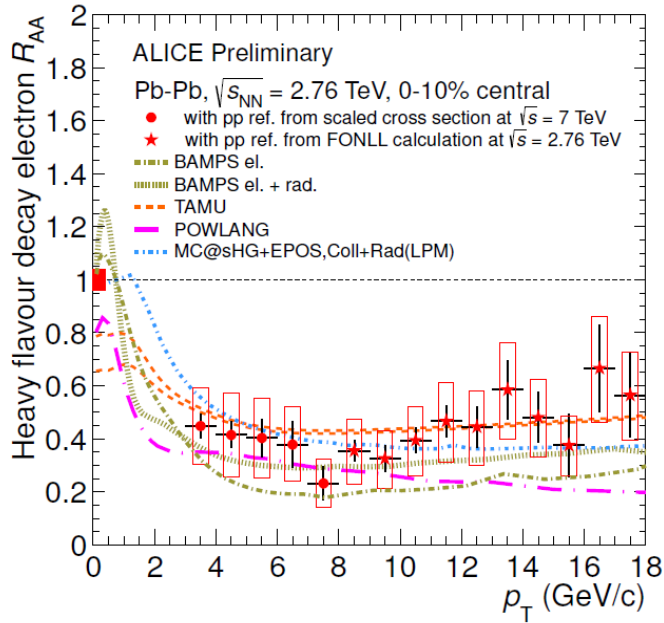
# Heavy Flavor Elliptic Flow in Pb-Pb



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- Similar  $v_2$  values for D mesons and charged particles
- Similar  $v_2$  values for HF decay muons and HF decay electrons (different  $y$ )
- All channels show positive  $v_2$  ( $>3 \sigma$  effect)
- **Information on the initial azimuthal anisotropy transferred to charm quarks**

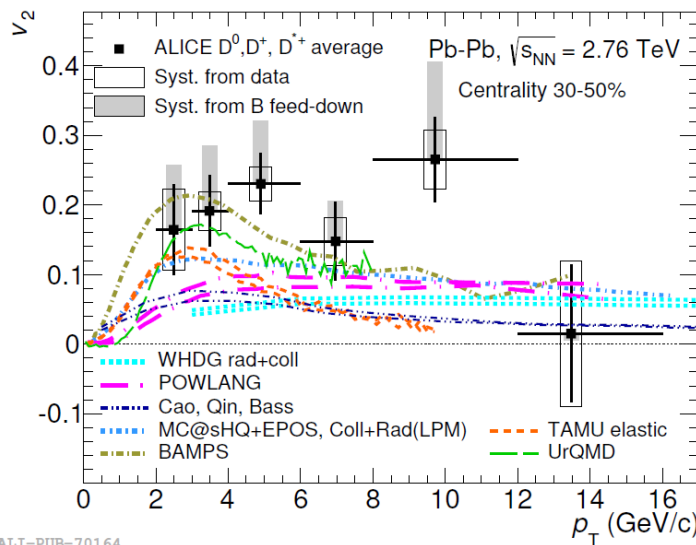
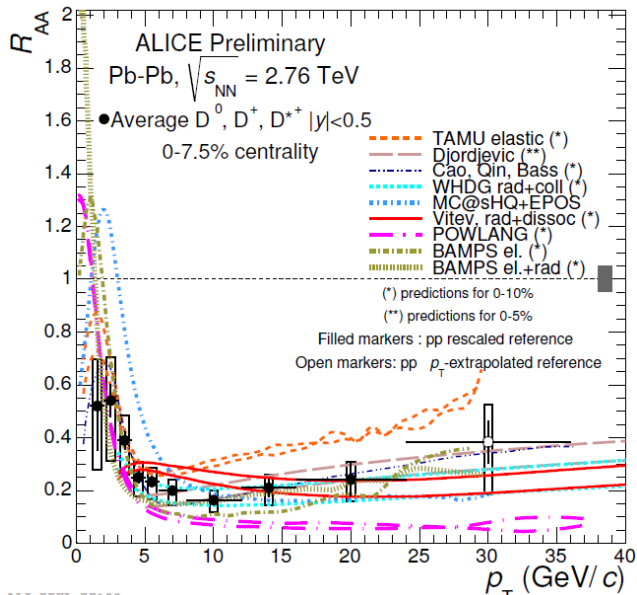
# Open Heavy Flavor in Pb-Pb: $R_{AA}$ & $V_2$



Simultaneous description of  $v_2$  and  $R_{AA}$ : benchmark for models

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# Open heavy flavors: a short summary

- Abundant heavy quark production at the LHC allows for detailed measurements
- $R_{AA}$  measurements:
  - Heavy flavor production is significantly suppressed (at intermediate to high  $p_T$ ) in central Pb-Pb collisions with respect to binar-scaled pp collisions.
  - Comparison to p-Pb results ( $R_{pPb}$  close to unity) points to final state effect related to the quark energy loss in the dense and hot partonic medium.
  - First experimental indications (charm more suppressed than beauty) about mass hierarchy in the energy loss.
- $V_2$  measurements:
  - Indications for positive values D mesons and HF leptons ( $3\sigma$  at low  $p_T$ ).
  - Suggests that (low- $p_T$ ) charm quarks take part in the collective motion of the system.
  - At higher  $p_T$ , (more precise)  $v_2$  measurements may be useful to shed light on the path-length dependence of the energy loss.

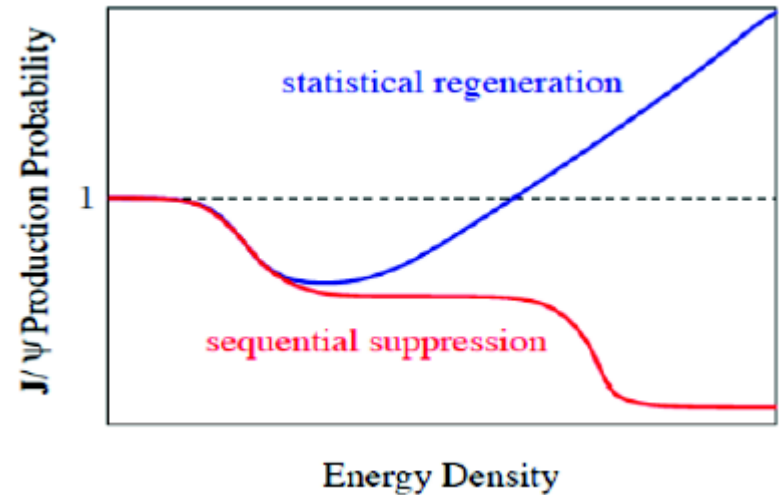
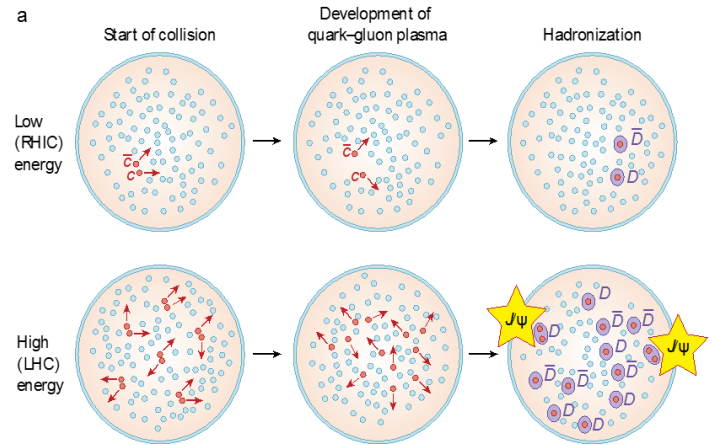
# Quarkonia: suppression ... and (re)-generation

Differences in the binding energies of the quarkonium states lead to a **sequential melting** of the states with increasing temperature

(Digal, Petrečki, Satz PRD 64(2001) 0940150)

→ **thermometer of the initial QGP temperature**

Increasing the energy of the collision the  $c\bar{c}$  pair **multiplicity** increases and may lead to **charmonium production via recombination**



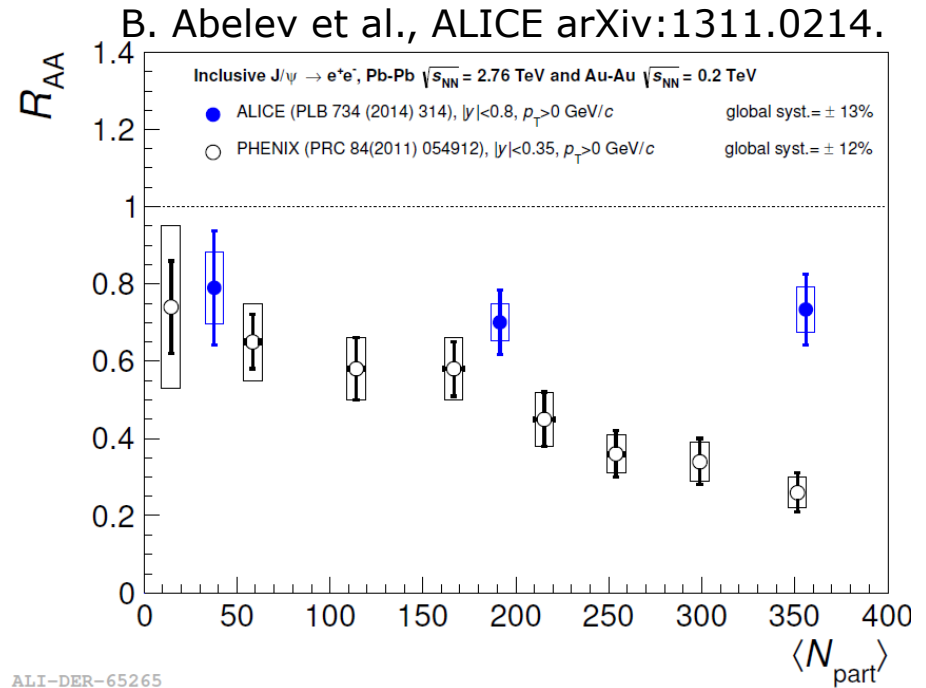
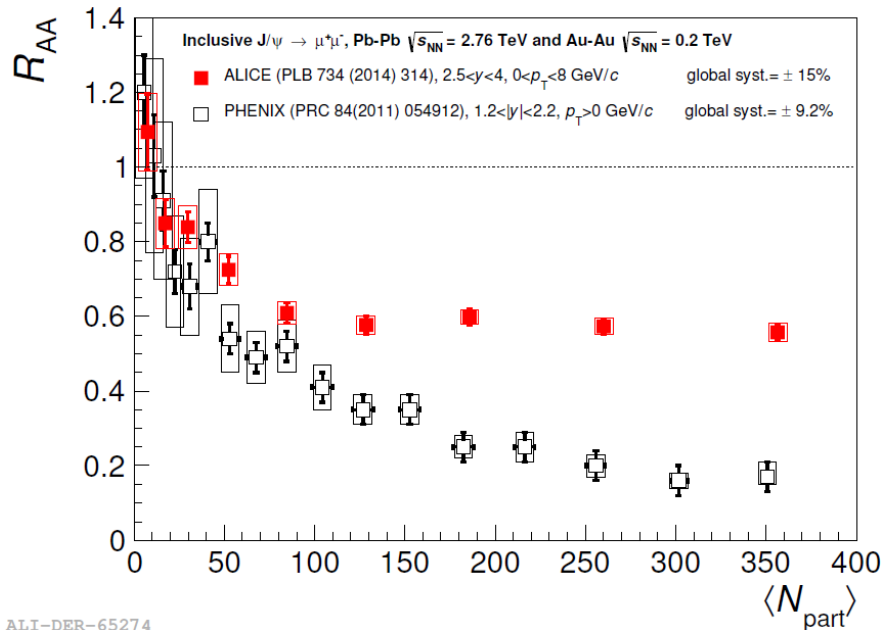
In most central A-A collisions	SPS 20 GeV	RHIC 200 Gev	LHC 2.76 TeV
$N_{c\bar{c}}/\text{event}$	~0.2	~10	~60

**Charmonium production may be enhanced via (re)combination of  $cc$  pairs at hadronization (statistical approach) or during QGP stage (kinetic recombination approach)**

# Quarkonium Results

- Focus on:
  - Pb-Pb results at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  TeV
  - p-Pb results at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV

# J/ψ $R_{AA}$ in Pb-Pb: low $p_T$



- Compare J/ψ suppression, RHIC ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=0.2$  TeV) vs LHC ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.76$  TeV)
- Results dominated by low- $p_T$  J/ψ
  - **Stronger** centrality dependence at **lower** energy
  - Systematically **larger**  $R_{AA}$  values for **central** events in ALICE

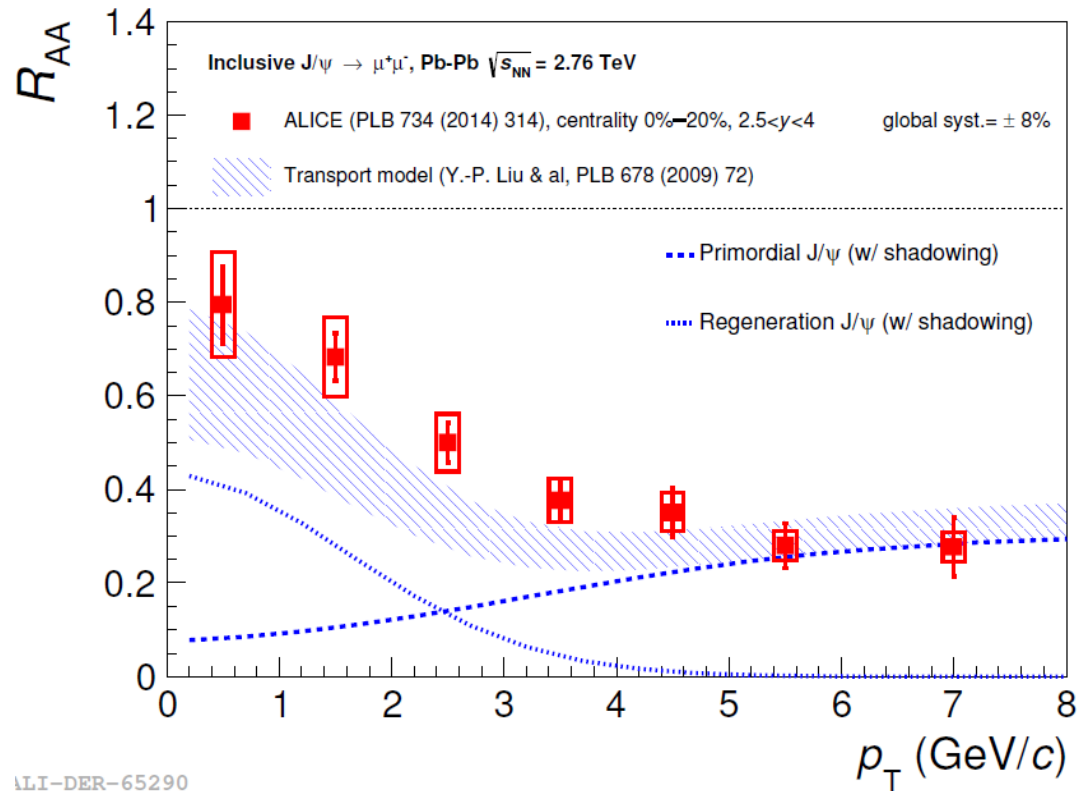
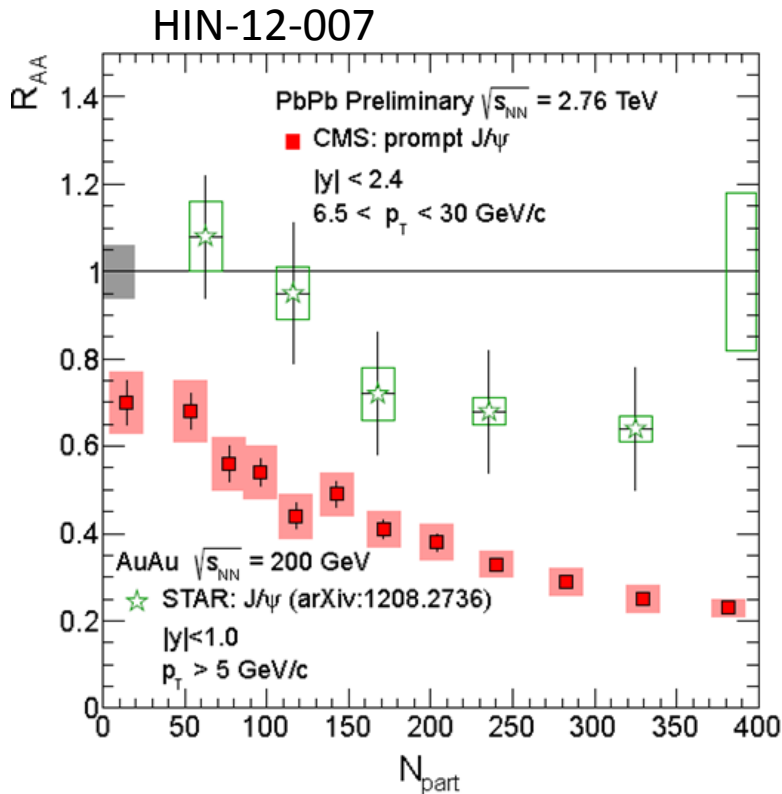
Possible interpretation: {

- RHIC energy → suppression effects dominate
- LHC energy → suppression + regeneration

How can this picture be validated?



# $J/\psi$ $R_{AA}$ in Pb-Pb at higher $p_T$



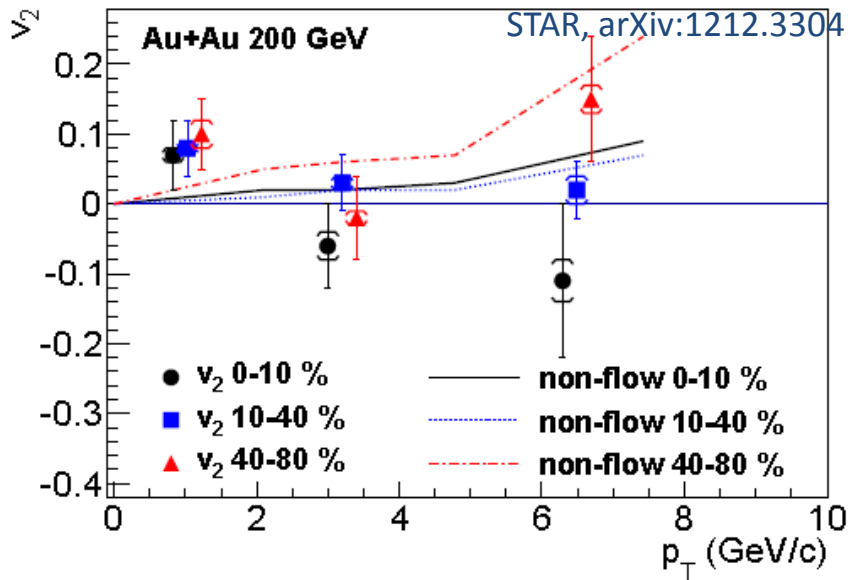
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The observed **suppression increases with  $p_T$**  and becomes larger than the one observed at RHIC in similar (high)  $p_T$  ranges.

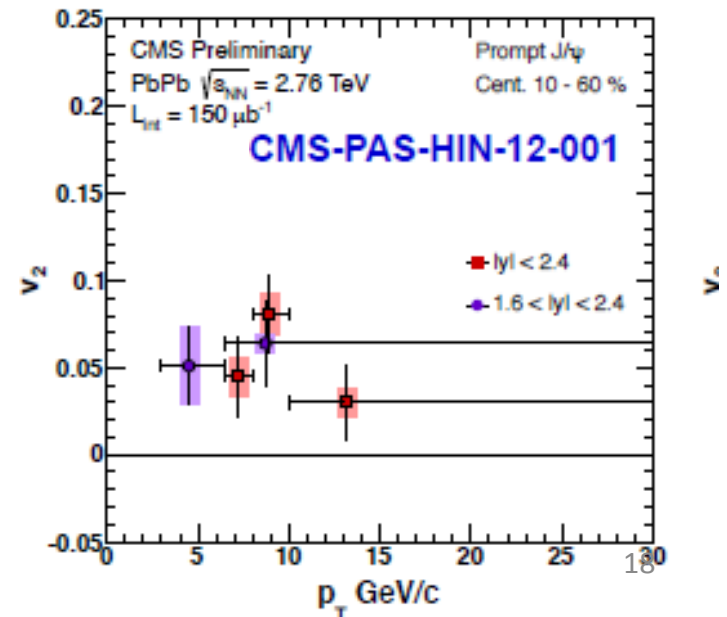
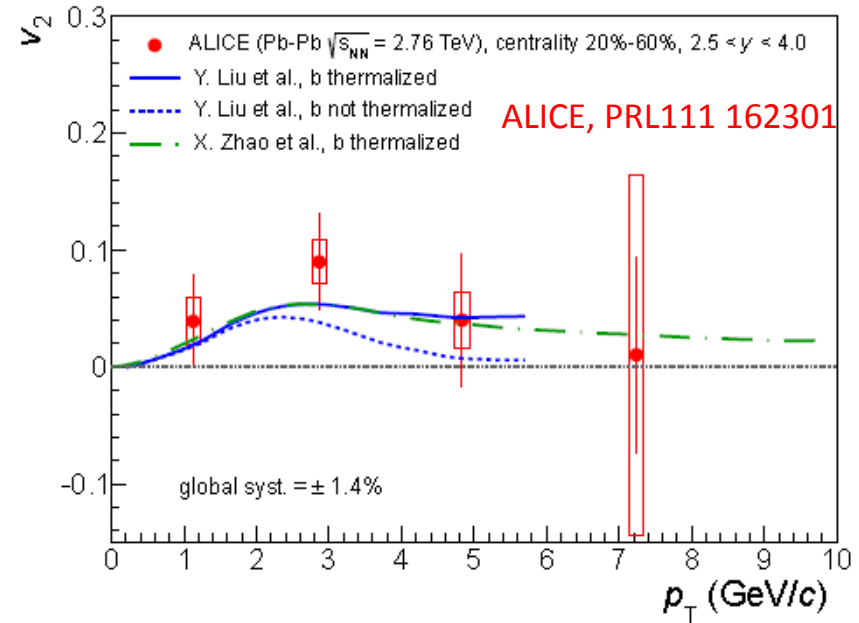
→ **in line with recombination**, which is expected to enhance mainly low- $p_T$   $J/\psi$ , as the charm quarks transverse momentum distribution is peaked at low  $p_T$

# J/ψ anisotropic flow in Pb-Pb

The contribution of J/ψ from (re)combination should lead to a significant elliptic flow signal at LHC energy ....

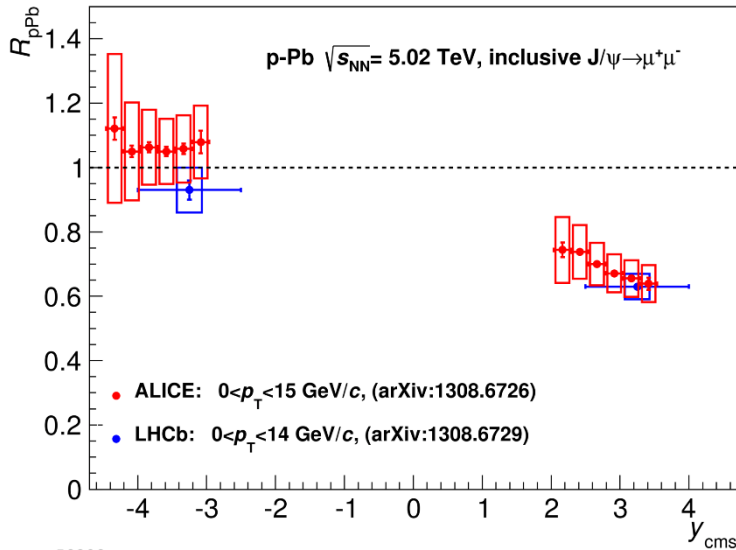


First hint for J/ψ positive  $v_2$  in heavy-ion collisions, contrary to  $v_2 \sim 0$  observed at RHIC!  
Supports the picture that new mechanisms are at play at LHC energies



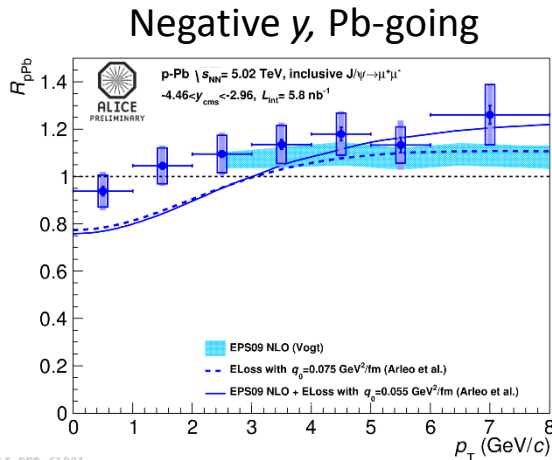
# J/ψ p-Pb results

- Cold Nuclear matter effects are not negligible!

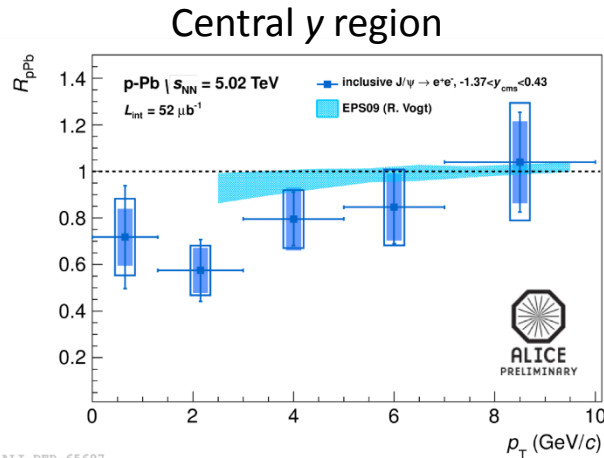


- Suppression at positive  $y$  (p-going, low- $x$  in Pb nucleus) and in central rapidity region at low  $p_T$
- No suppression (enhancement?) at negative  $y$
- Fair agreement with models (shadowing + energy loss)

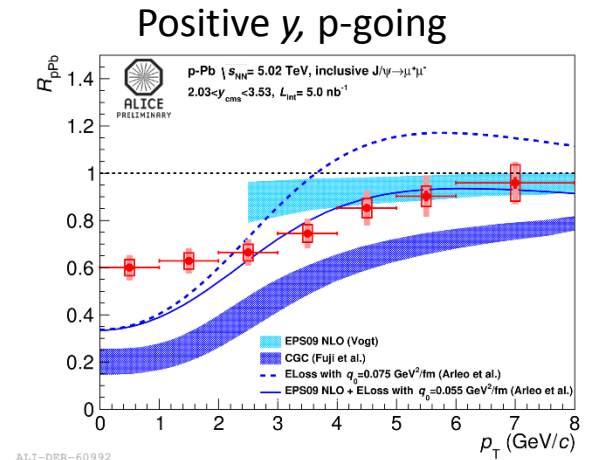
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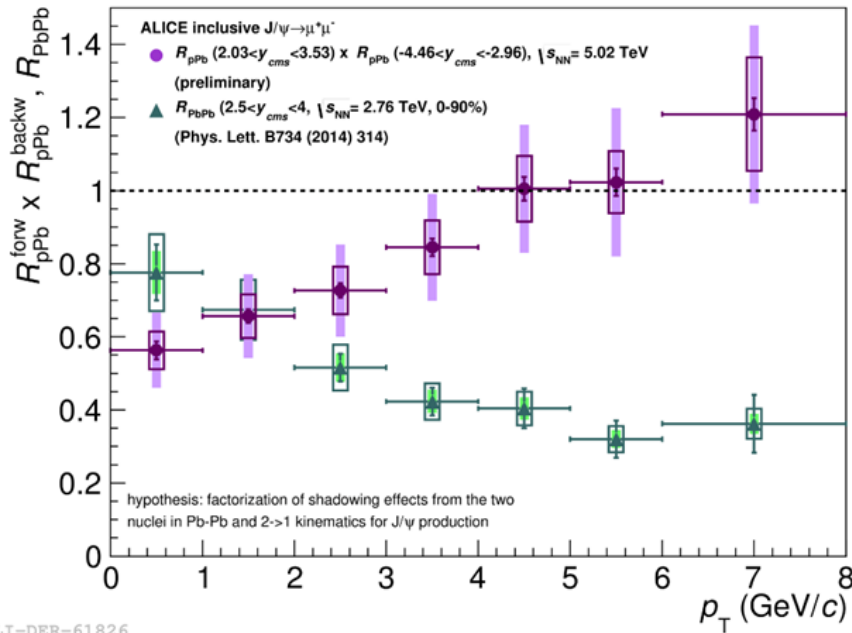
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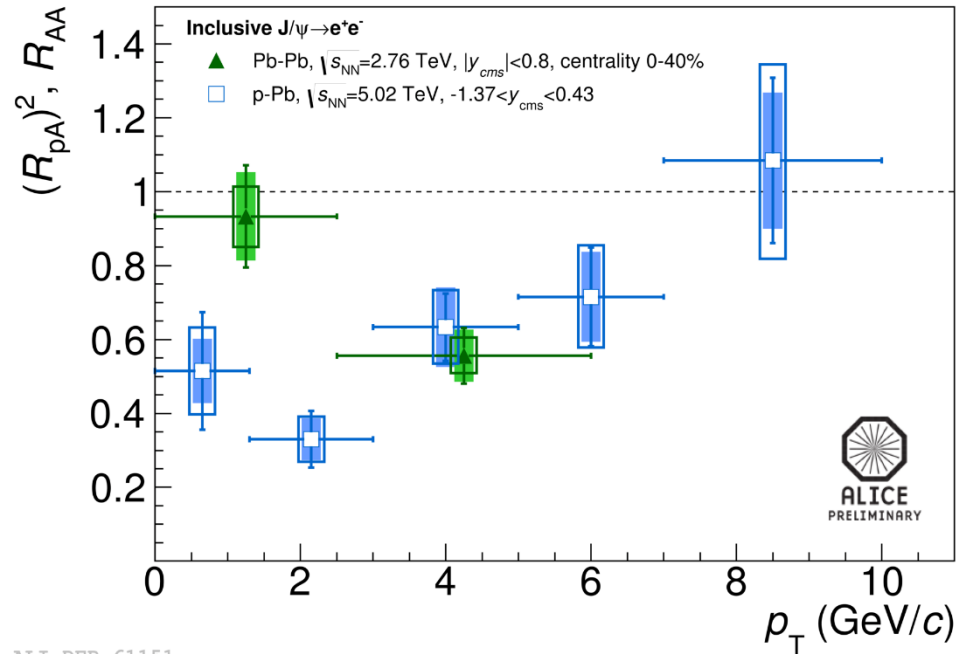
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# J/ψ p-Pb results

- Rough extrapolation of CNM effects from p-Pb results to Pb-Pb, under the assumption that CNM effects factorize and  $2 \rightarrow 1$  kinematics for J/ψ production



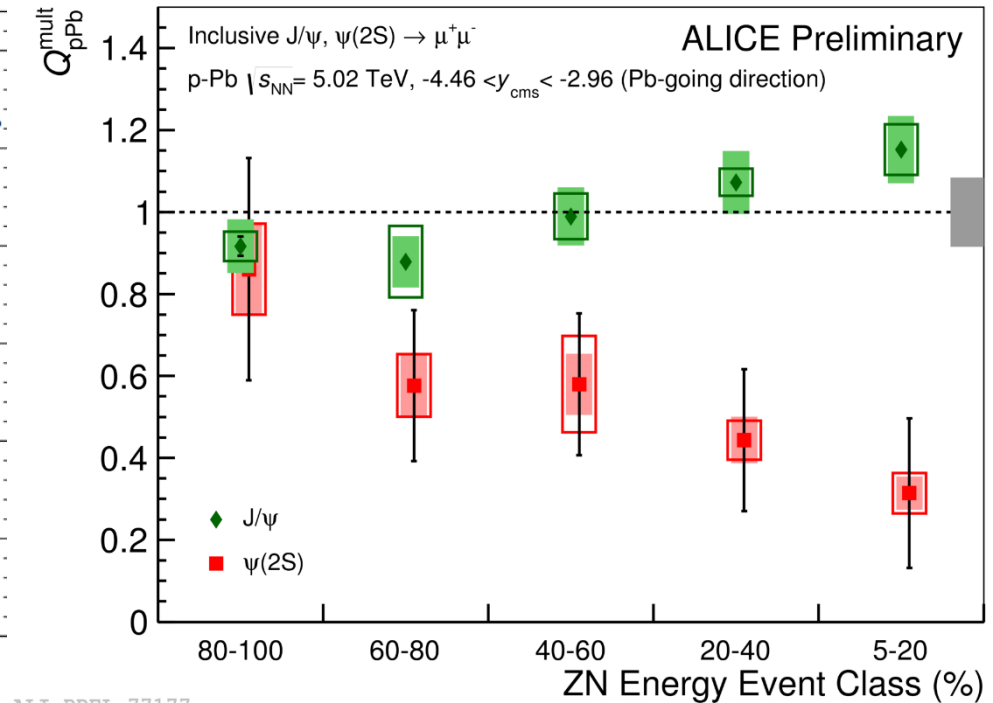
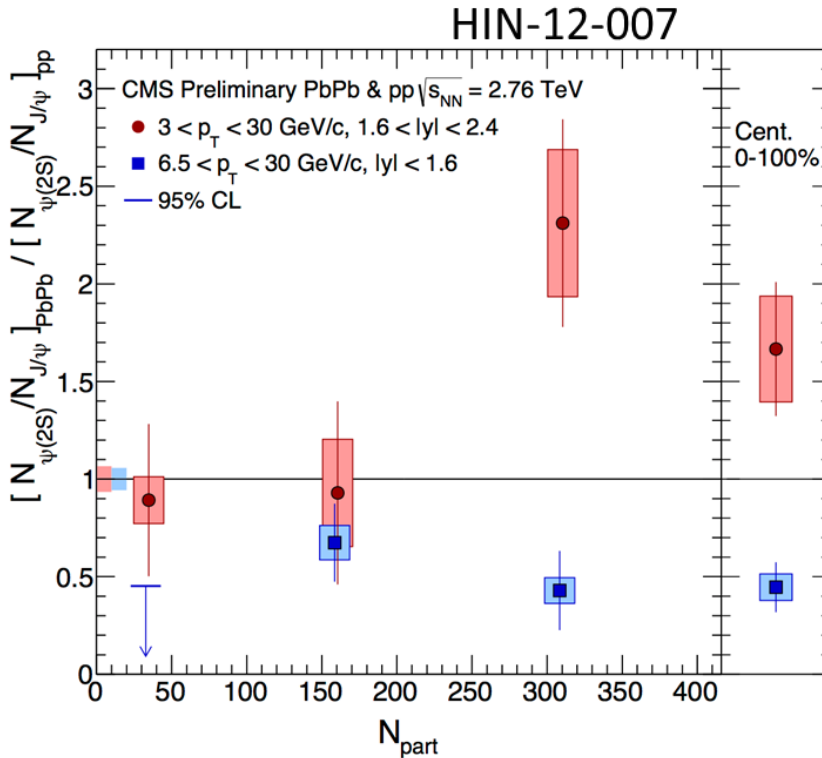
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- hints of an excess of J/ψ above CNM at low  $p_T$ .
  - strong suppression at high  $p_T$ .
- These observations tend to favor the recombination scenario

# $\psi(2s)$ : Pb-Pb and p-Pb Nuclear Modification Factors



- **Pb-Pb** CMS: from enhancement to strong suppression moving from intermediate ( $p_T > 3$  GeV/c) to large ( $p_T > 6.5$  GeV/c) transverse momentum
- ALICE: excludes a large enhancement (not shown)
- **p-Pb** ALICE: evidence for strong suppression of  $p_T$ -integrated  $\psi(2s)$  in p-Pb collisions (compared to  $J/\psi$ ), increasing with the event activity

→ *How to reconcile these observations?*

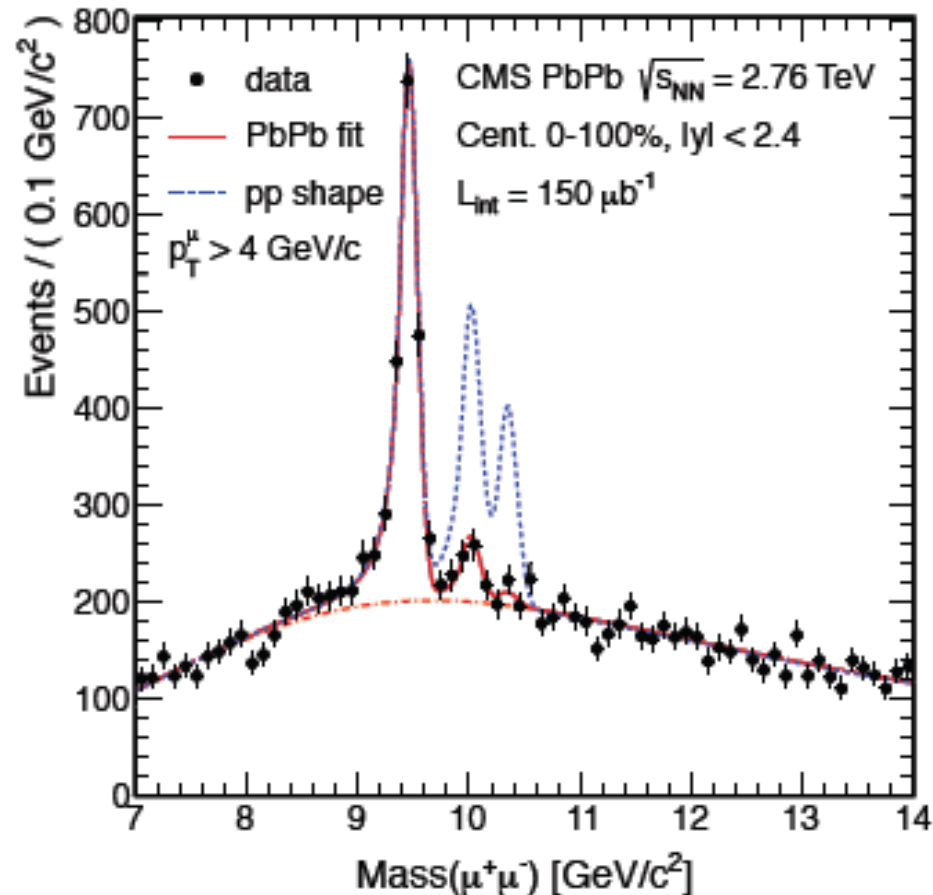
# The $\Upsilon$ family: Pb-Pb results

➔ LHC is an ideal machine for studying bottomonium in AA collisions

Main features of bottomonium production:

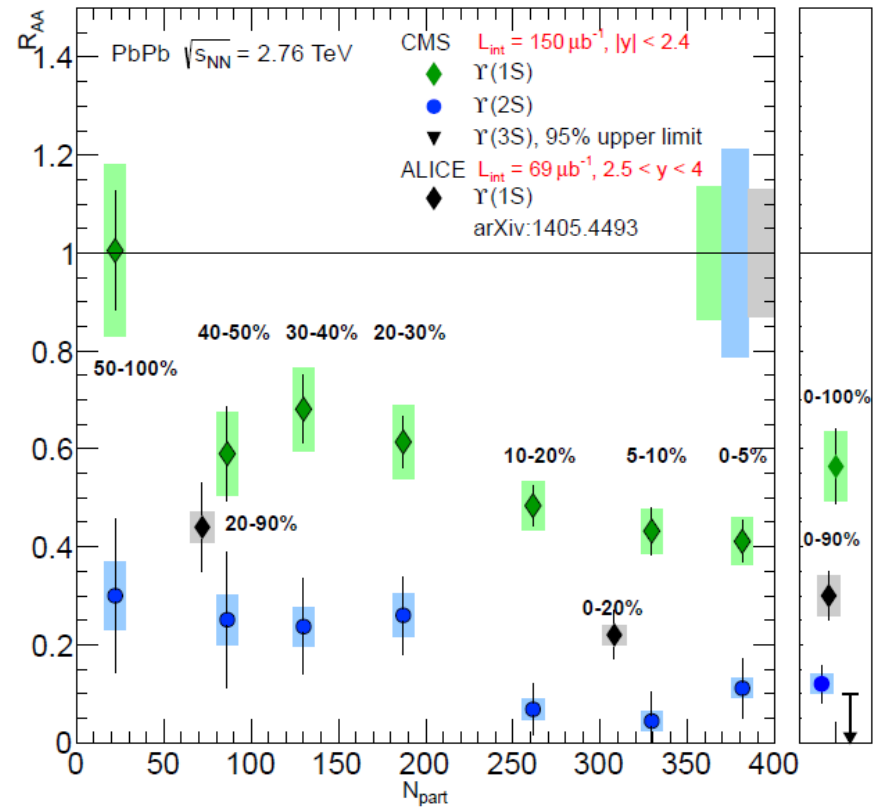
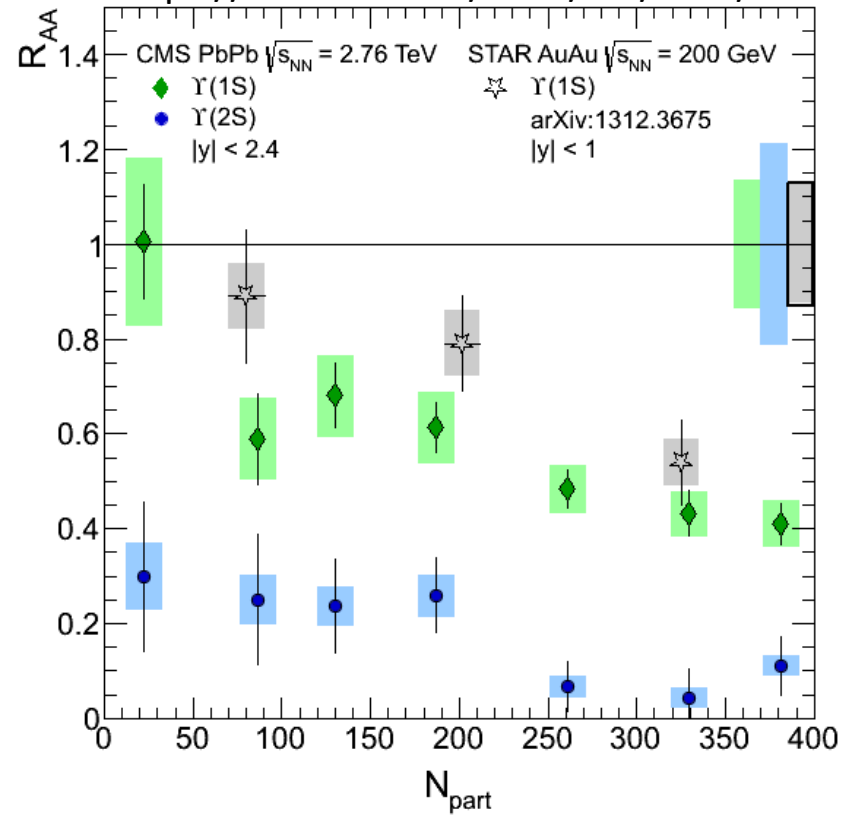
- no B hadron feed-down
- gluon shadowing effects are smaller
- (re)combination expected to be less important

➔ Clear suppression of  $\Upsilon(nS)$  in Pb-Pb wrt pp collisions



# $\Upsilon(nS)$ : $R_{AA}$ in Pb-Pb collisions

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsHIN11011>



➔ More suppression at the LHC than at RHIC?

STAR:  $R_{AA} \Upsilon(1S) = 0.71 \pm 0.06$  (stat)  $\pm 0.06$  (syst)  
 CMS:  $R_{AA} \Upsilon(1S) = 0.56 \pm 0.08$  (stat)  $\pm 0.07$  (syst)

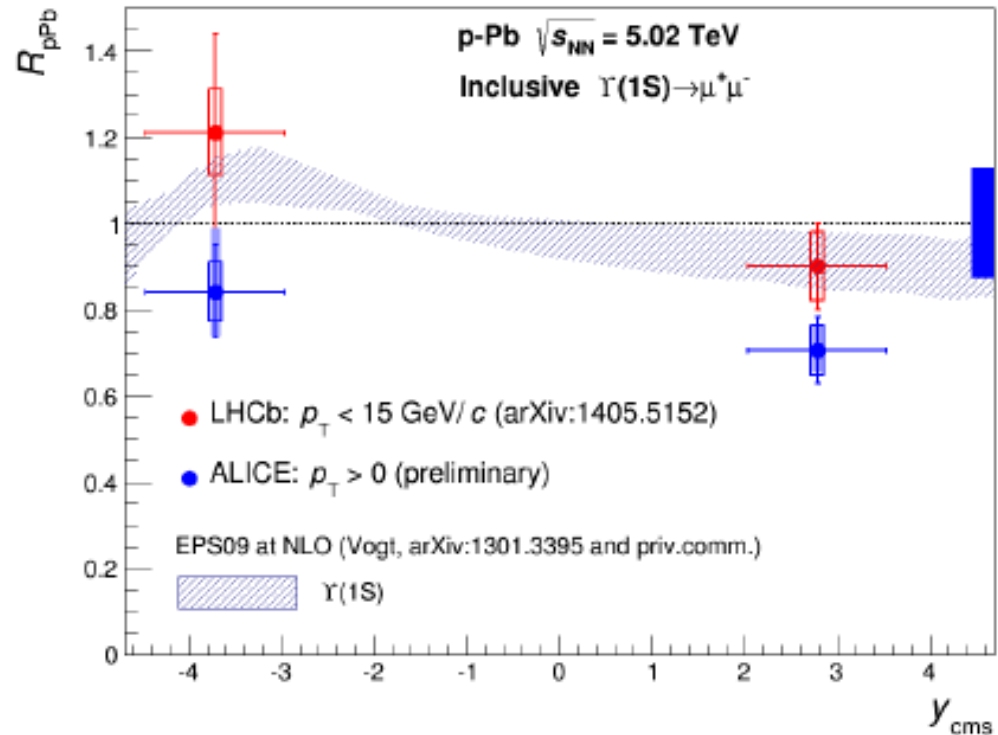
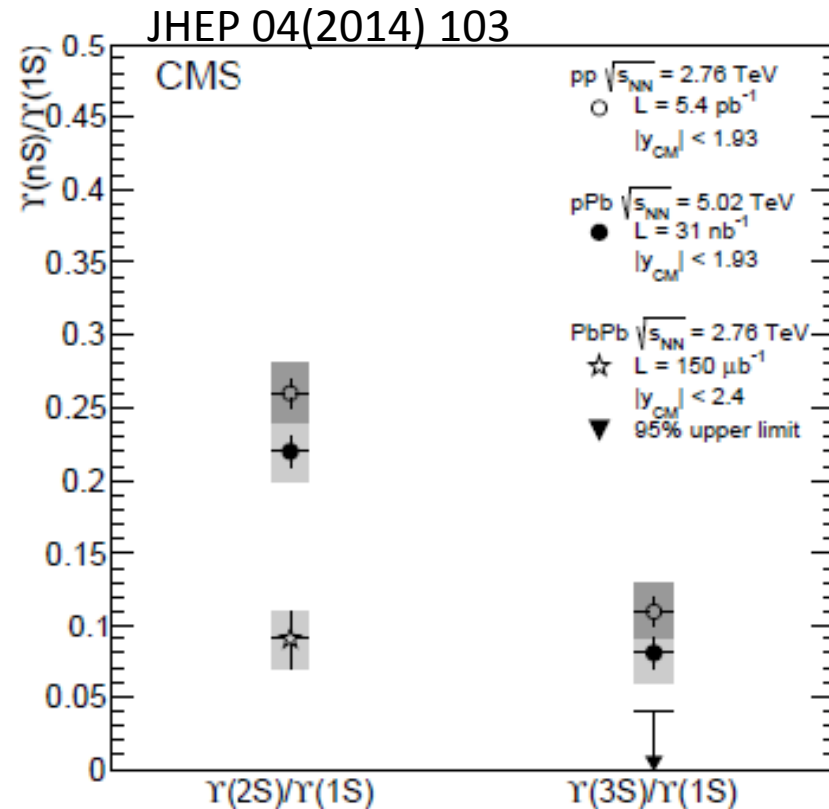
➔ More suppression at forward rapidity ? (ALICE data)

➔ Sequential suppression of  $\Upsilon$  states

$$R_{AA}^{\Upsilon(3S)} < R_{AA}^{\Upsilon(2S)} < R_{AA}^{\Upsilon(1S)}$$

➔  $\Upsilon(1S)$  suppression might be compatible with excited state suppression (~50% feed-down)?

# $\Upsilon(nS)$ : $R_{AA}$ in p-Pb collisions



- (small) relative suppression of  $\Upsilon(2S)$  and  $\Upsilon(3S)$  w.r.t.  $\Upsilon(1S)$  at mid rapidity.
- Hint for (small) suppression of  $\Upsilon(1S)$  at forward rapidity (in qualitative agreement with models)
- CNM effects are small and cannot account for all the effects observed in Pb-Pb



# Quarkonia: a short summary

- Two main mechanisms expected to play a role in heavy-ion collisions at LHC energies:
  - Suppression in a deconfined medium
  - (re)-generation of charmonium via charm quark (re)-combination
- Run I data in qualitative agreement with such a picture

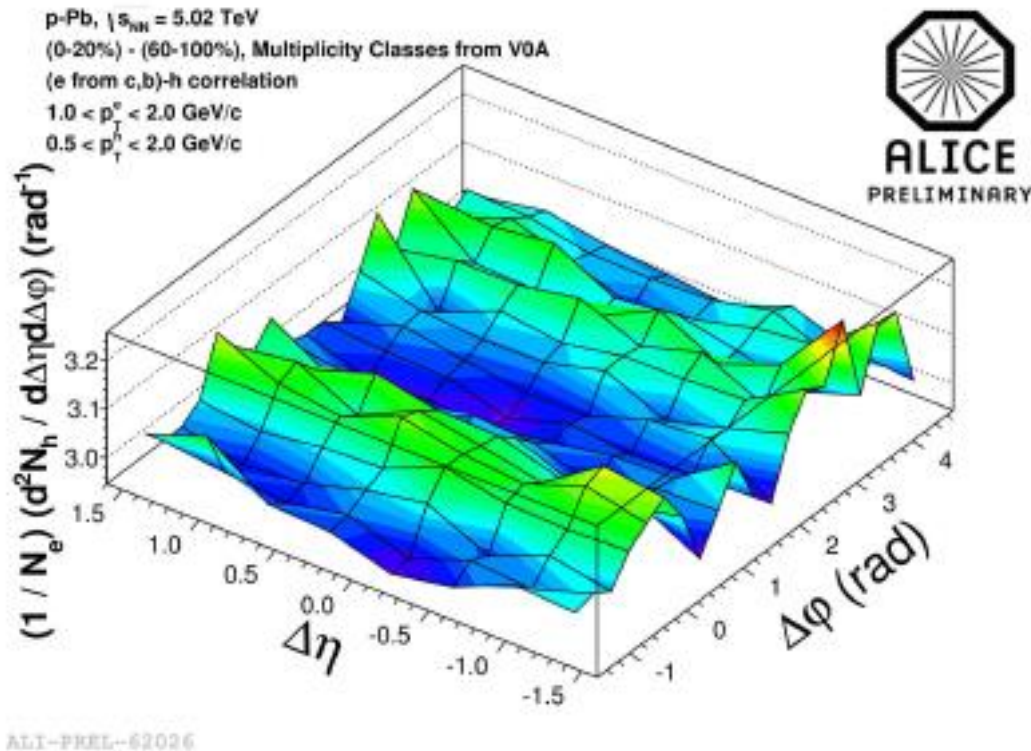
- About  $J/\psi$ 
  - ✓  $R_{AA}$  larger than at RHIC (at any rapidity), weak centrality dependence
  - ✓  $R_{AA}$  depends on  $p_T$  and becomes smaller at large transverse momenta
  - ✓ CNM effects are sizeable, but cannot account for the effects observed in Pb-Pb

- About bottomonia
  - ✓ Ordering in the suppressions of the three Upsilon states with their binding energy clearly observed → in line with sequential melting
  - ✓ Suppression of  $\Upsilon(1S)$  comparable with the one expected as a consequence of the suppression of higher states → is  $\Upsilon(1S)$  melting temperature still above the LHC - Run I reach ?

# Conclusions

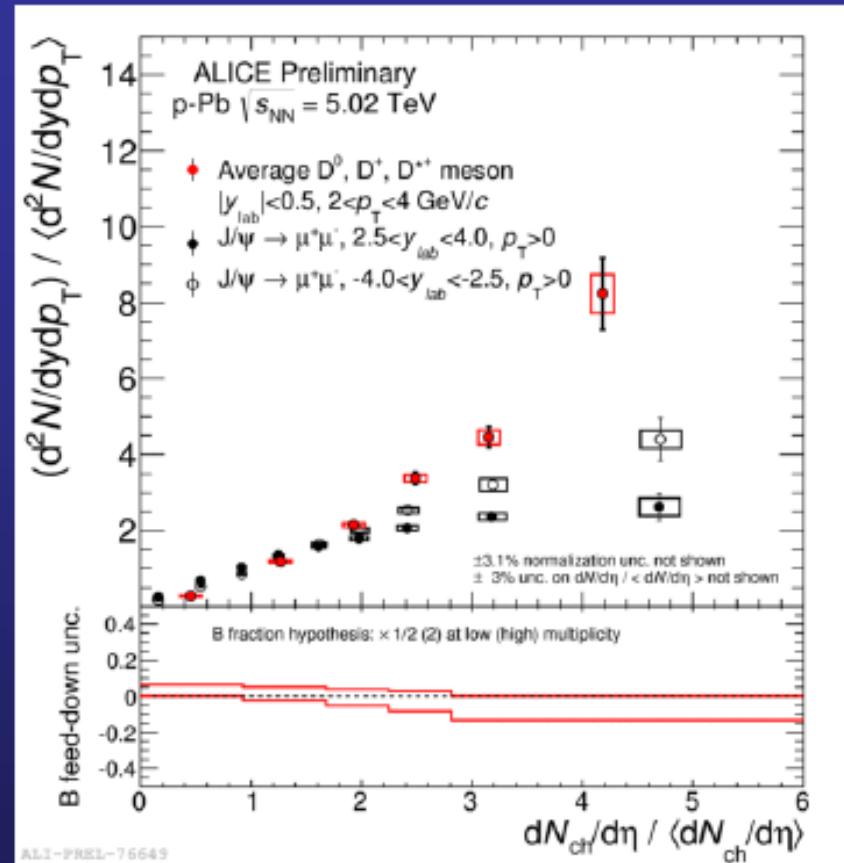
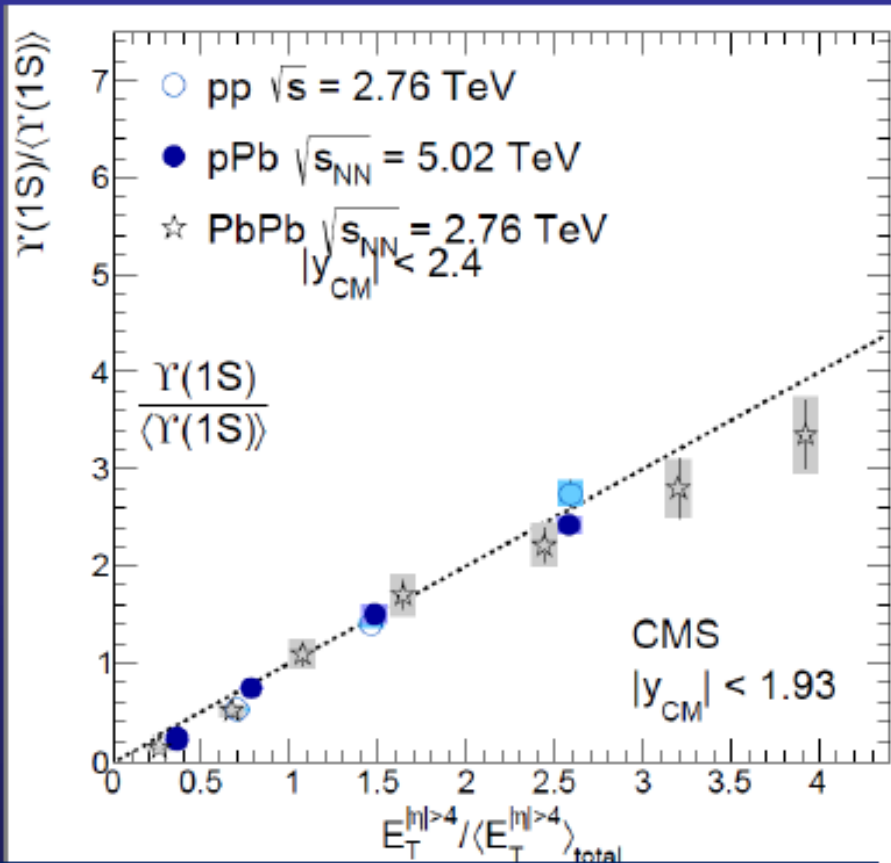
- Complete set of results from run-I is now available
  - Confirms the role of heavy quarks/quarkonia as privileged probes for the study of Quark-Gluon Plasma
- Open charm/beauty strongly affected by the medium
  - Energy loss pattern in agreement with calculations
  - Energy loss mass dependence observed
  - Significant  $v_2$  confirms the presence of collective effects (low pT) opens to the study of path-length dependence of energy loss (high pT)
- Charmonia/bottomonia
  - Bottomonia sequential suppression according to their binding energy
  - $J/\psi$  results show effects of re-generation during the QGP-phase and/or at phase boundary
- Many (most) of the heavy-quark/quarkonia - related observables would benefit from more data to sharpen the conclusions
  - Run-II , with increased beam energy
  - Experiment upgrades, 2018 onwards

# Backup



- Removal of jet peak via subtraction of multiplicity classes: (0-20%) - (60-100%)
- Long range correlation featuring a double ridge structure observed for  $1 < p_T^e < 2$  GeV/c and  $0.5 < p_T^h < 2$  GeV/c
- The double ridge observed in light hadrons ([Phys.Lett. B719 \(2013\) 29-41](#)) is also observed in heavy-flavour sector. The mechanism (CGC? Hydro?) that generates it affects also heavy flavours

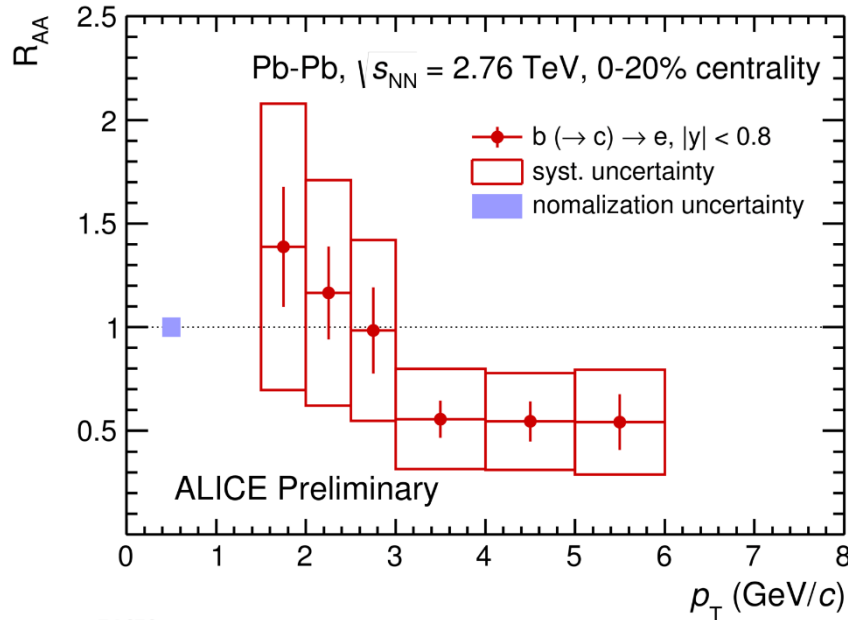
# Evolution of the yields in pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb



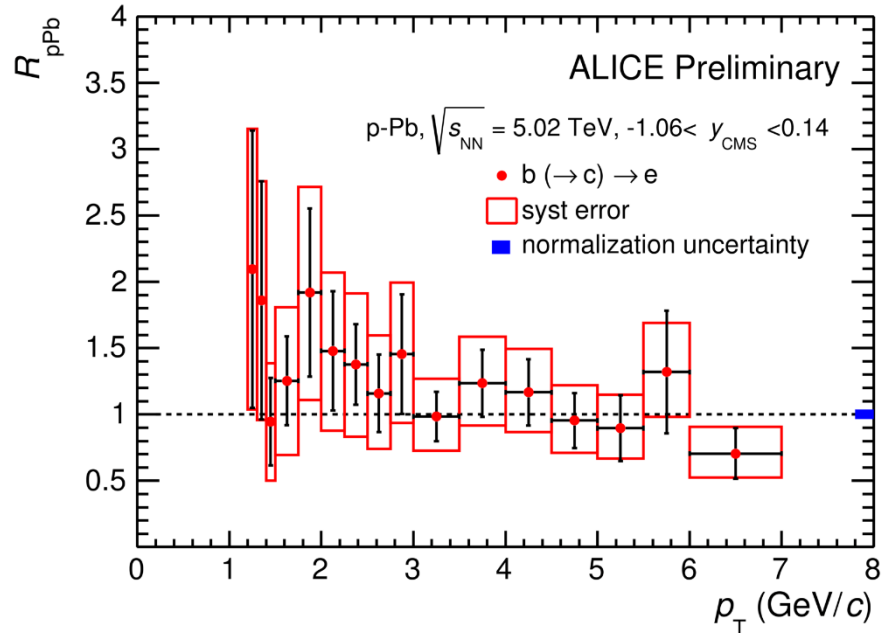
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- charmonia/bottomonia/open charm *relative yields* show similar increasing trend as a function of the event activity
- Role of MPI in the hard sector?

# Electrons from B decay in Pb-Pb



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- Analysis based on the electron impact parameter distribution
  - **Pb-Pb**: indication for  $R_{AA} < 1$  at  $p_T$  larger than 3 GeV/c
  - **p-Pb**:  $R_{AA}$  compatible with unity
- b-quark affected by interaction with hot and dense medium