

Central exclusive quarkonium production at LHCb



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Outline

- Theoretical background and motivation
 - Generally for Central Exclusive Production (CEP),
 - Particularly for J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$
- Experimental signatures
- Selection of Central Exclusive Produced J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$
- Results and Discussion
- Future Prospects

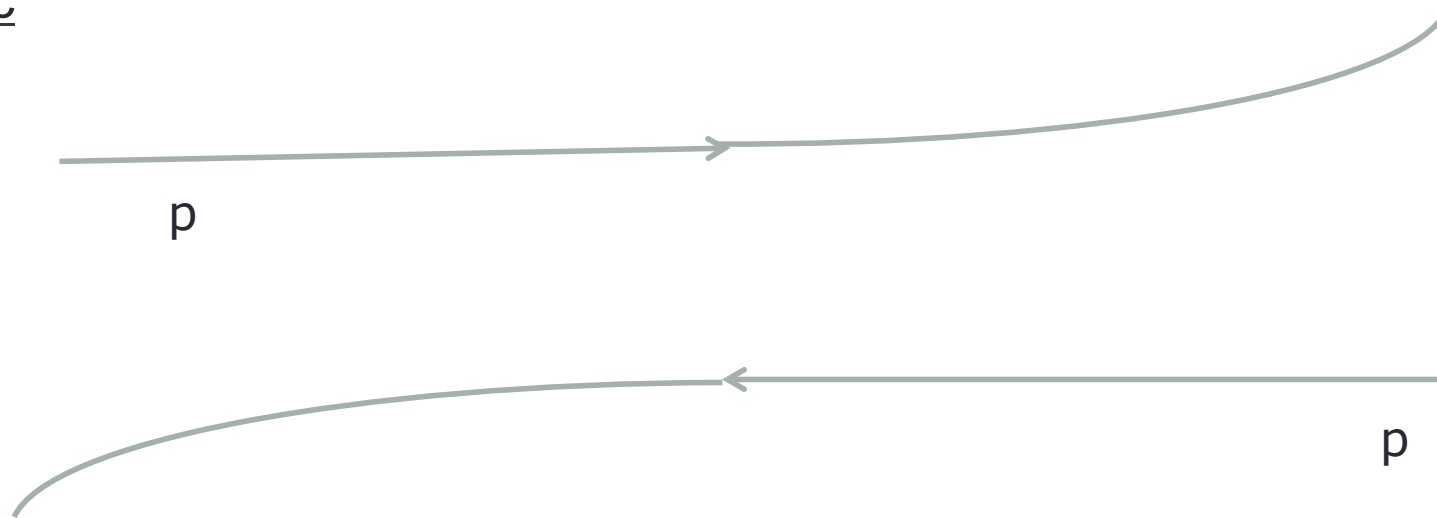
Theoretical background and motivation

Understanding QCD


- At hard scales
 - theory perturbative and thus predictive
 - key features well tested by experiment
- At soft scales
 - non-perturbative – precise predictions generally not possible
 - yet this is where most physics happens
 - bound hadrons and nature of vacuum
 - choose your experimental environment carefully and challenge theory
- Open questions
 - colourless objects (pomeron, reggeon, odderon)
 - glueballs
 - QCD behaviour may change at very soft scales
 - inexorable rise of gluon PDF as $x \rightarrow 0$?
 - new phenomenology like saturation?

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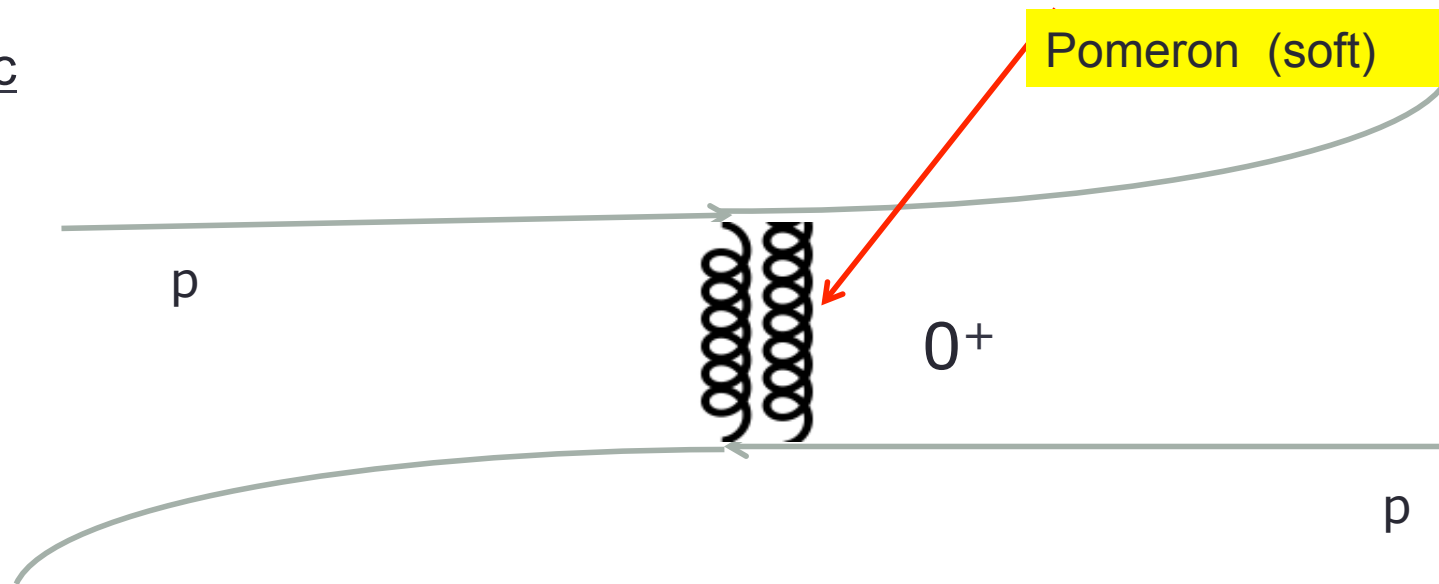


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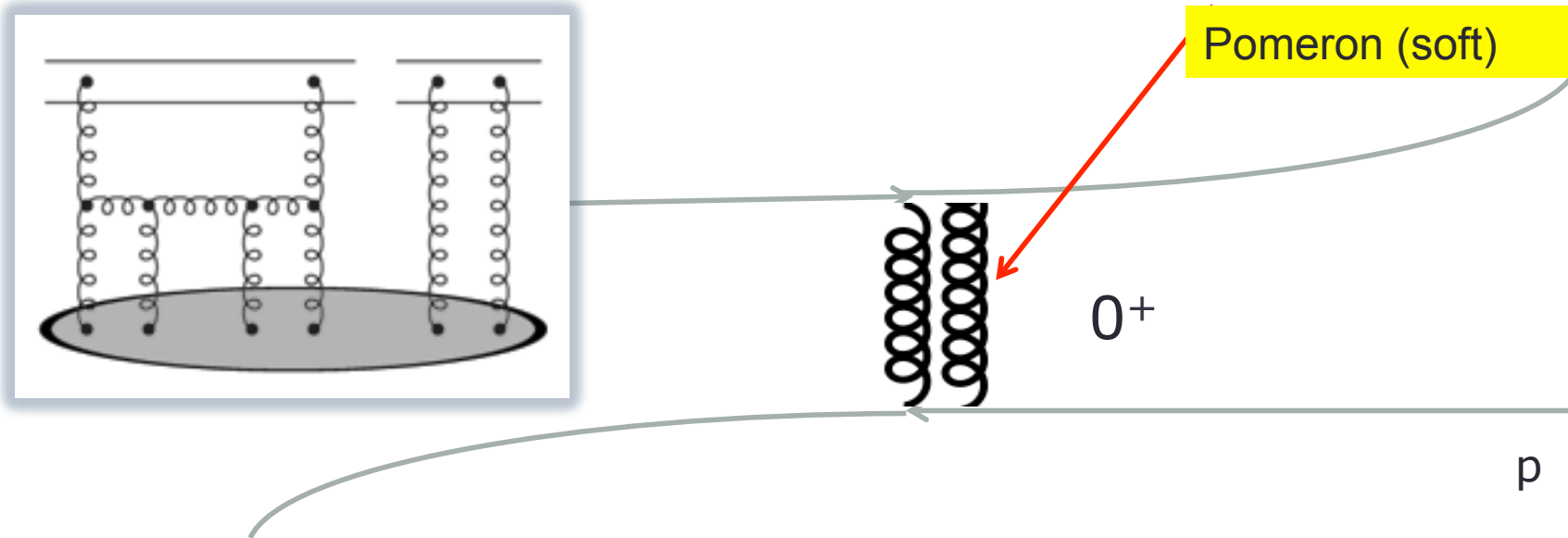
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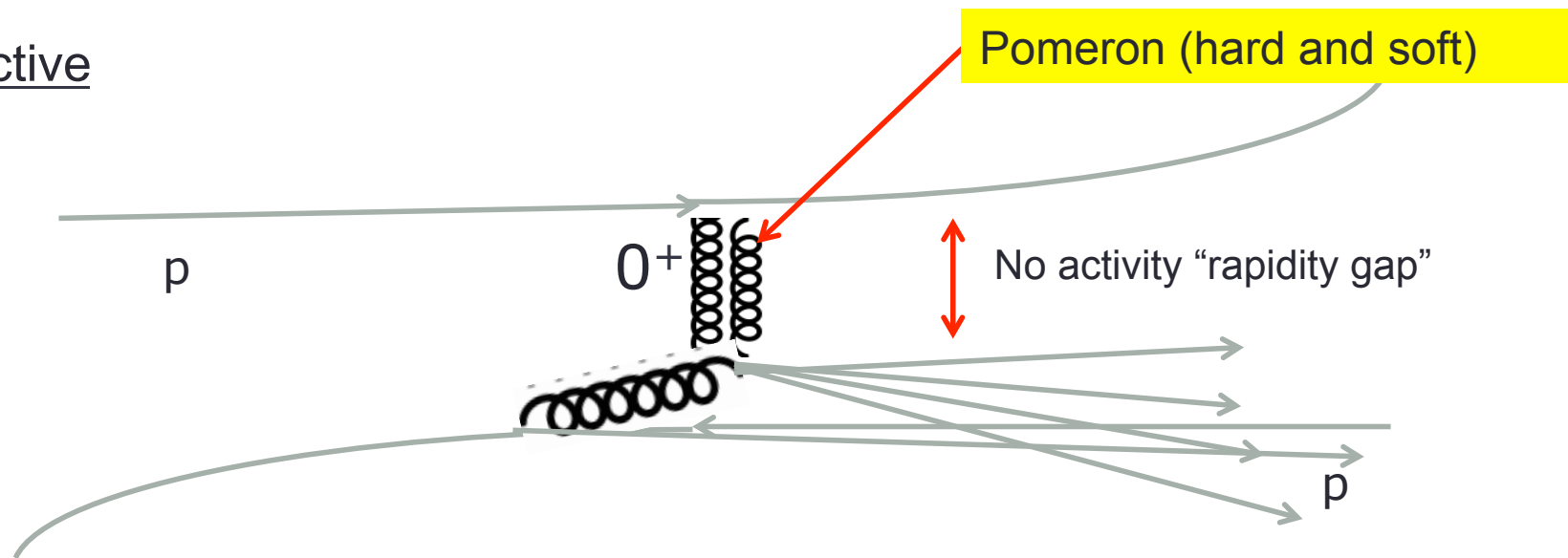


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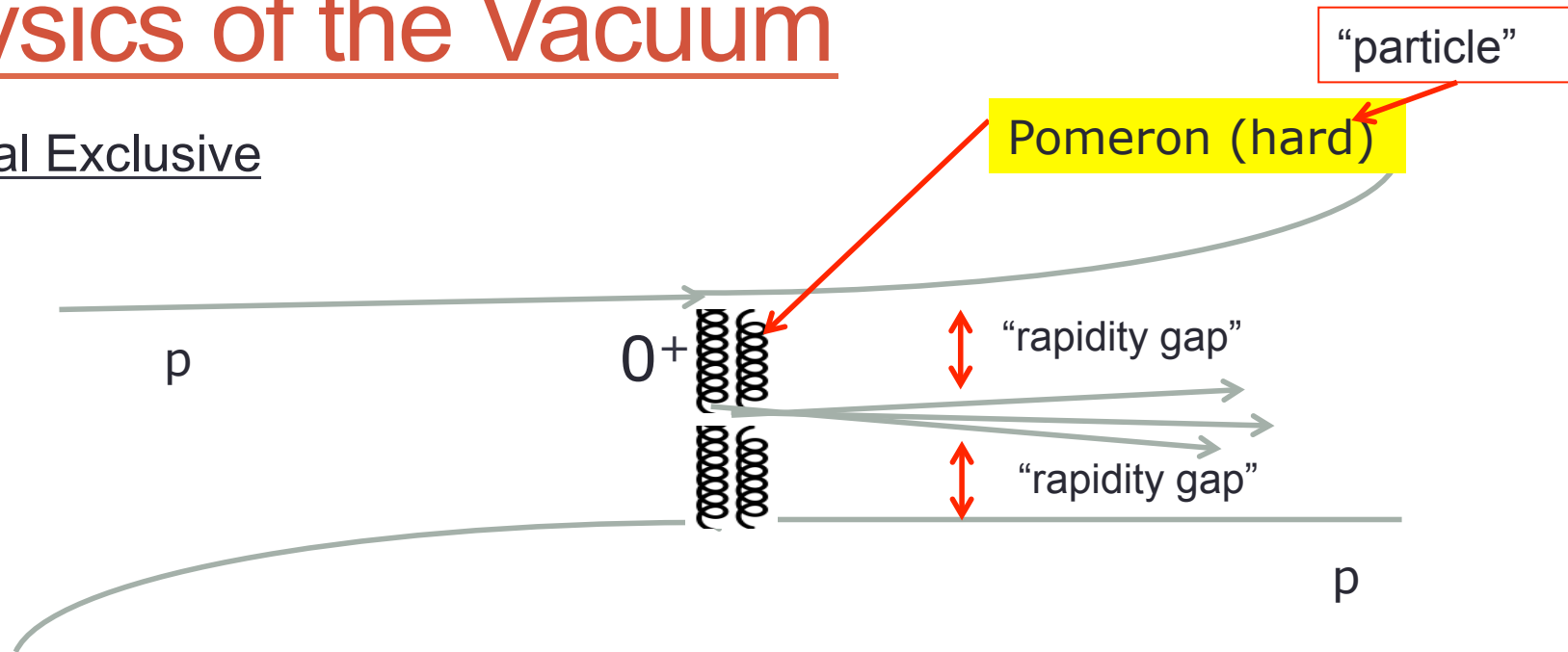


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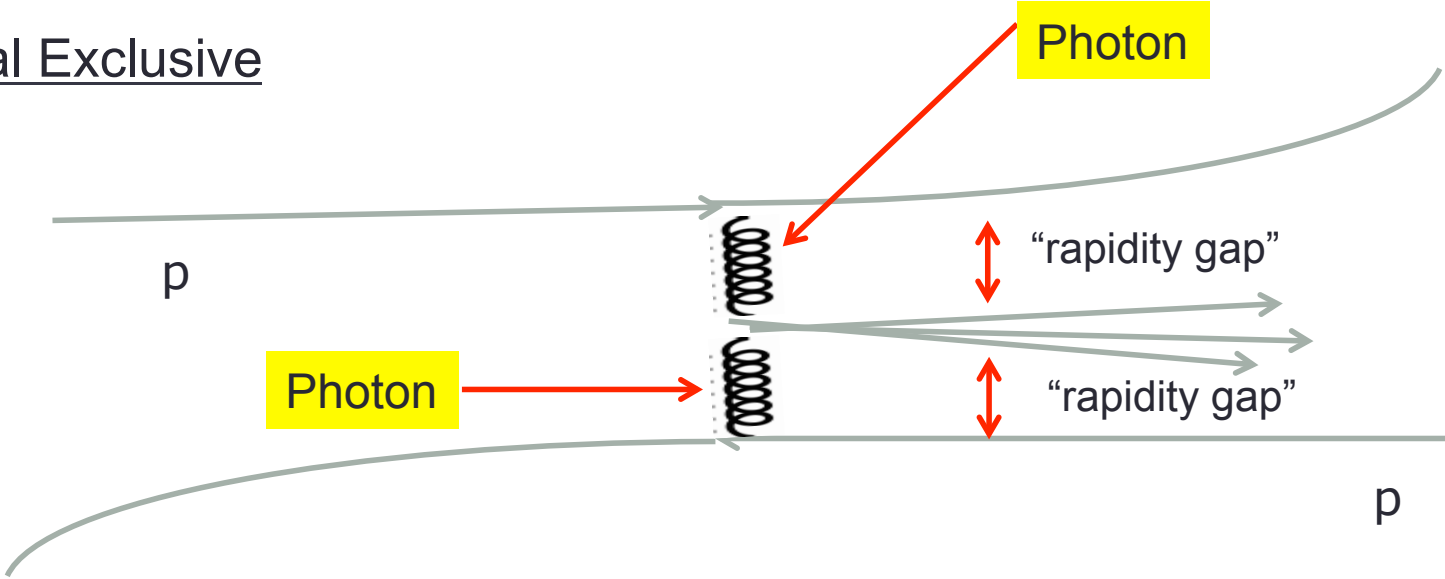


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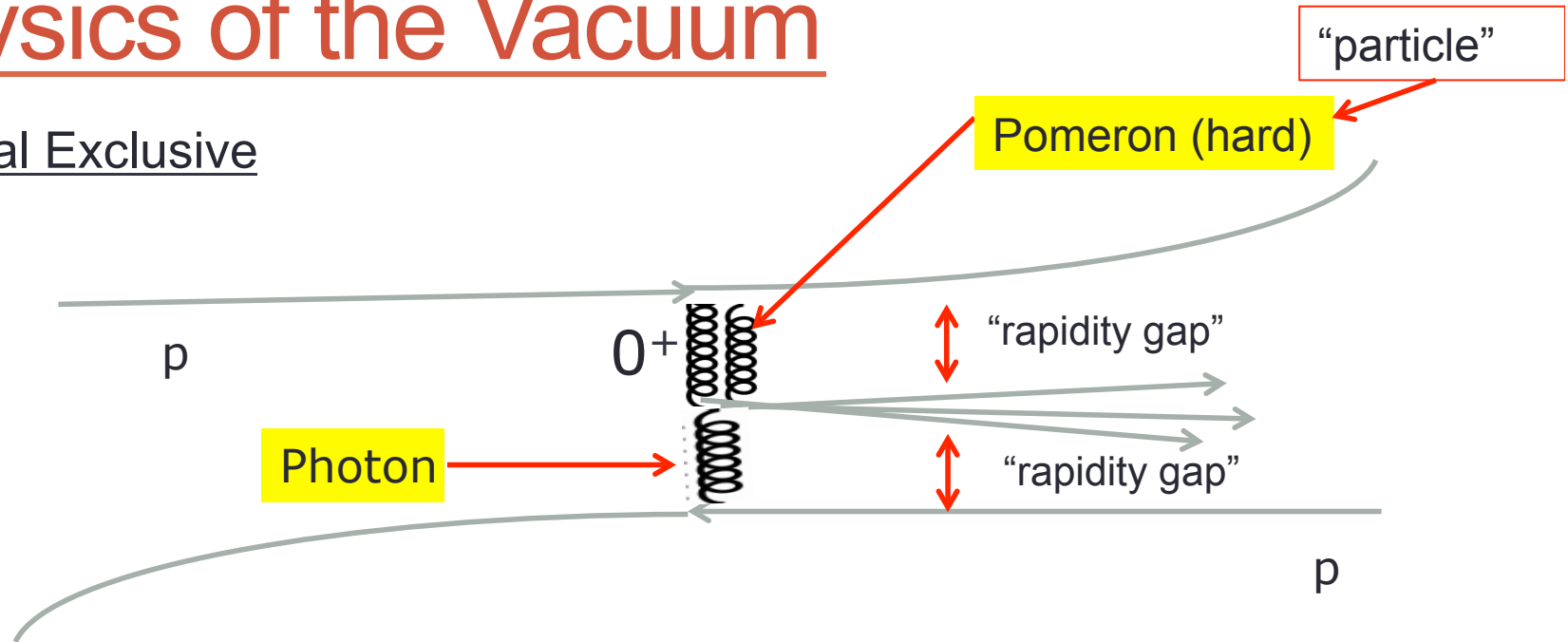


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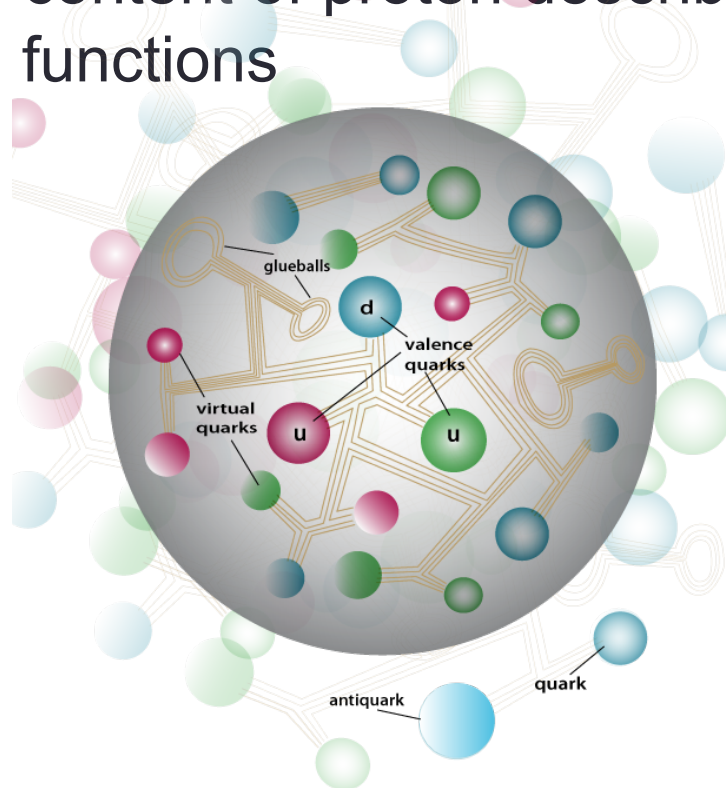


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Pragmatic reasons to understand gluon

- If you want to describe $gg \rightarrow X$, $gg \rightarrow H$
- if you want to describe the underlying event
- content of proton described in terms of parton distribution functions

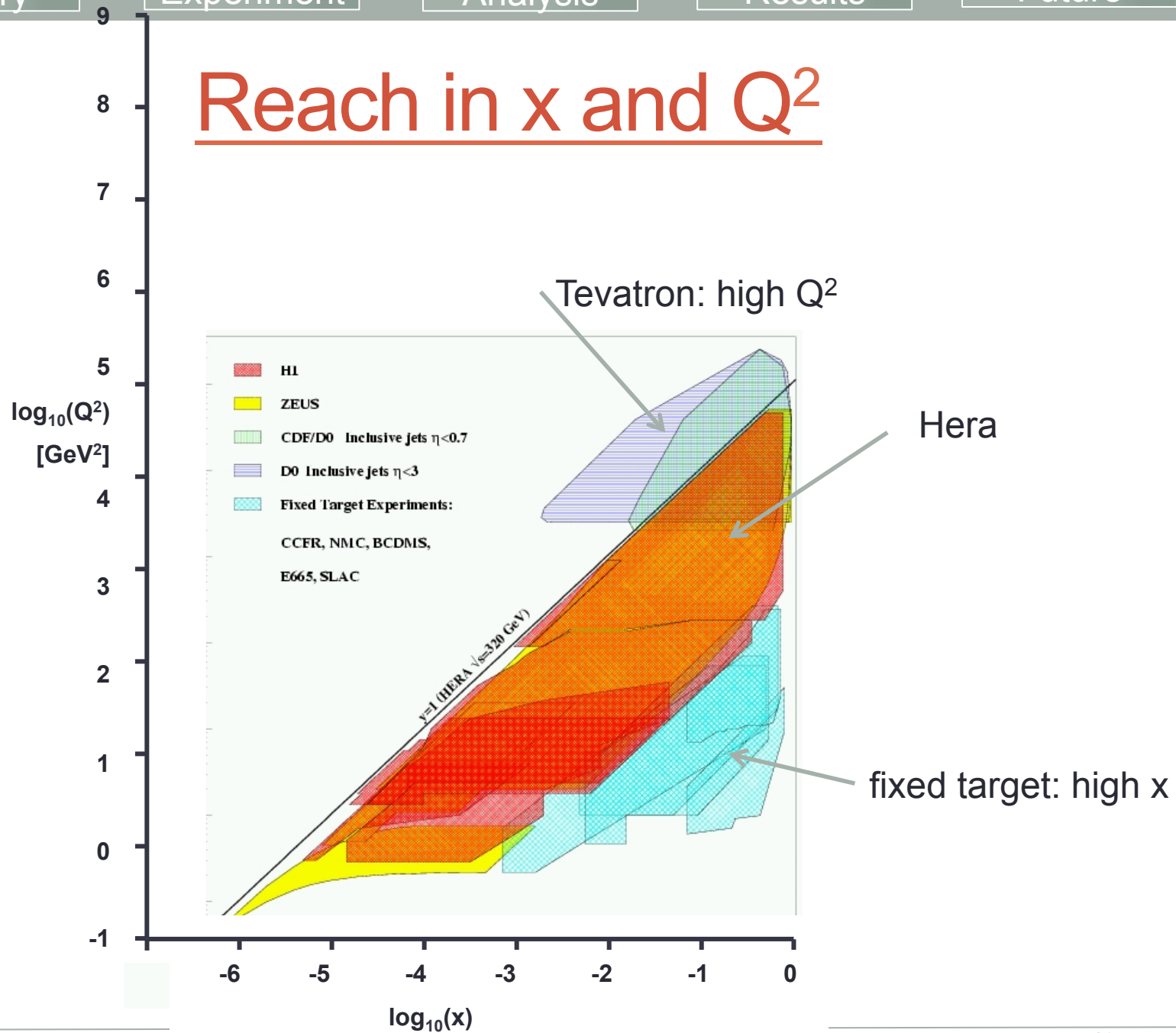


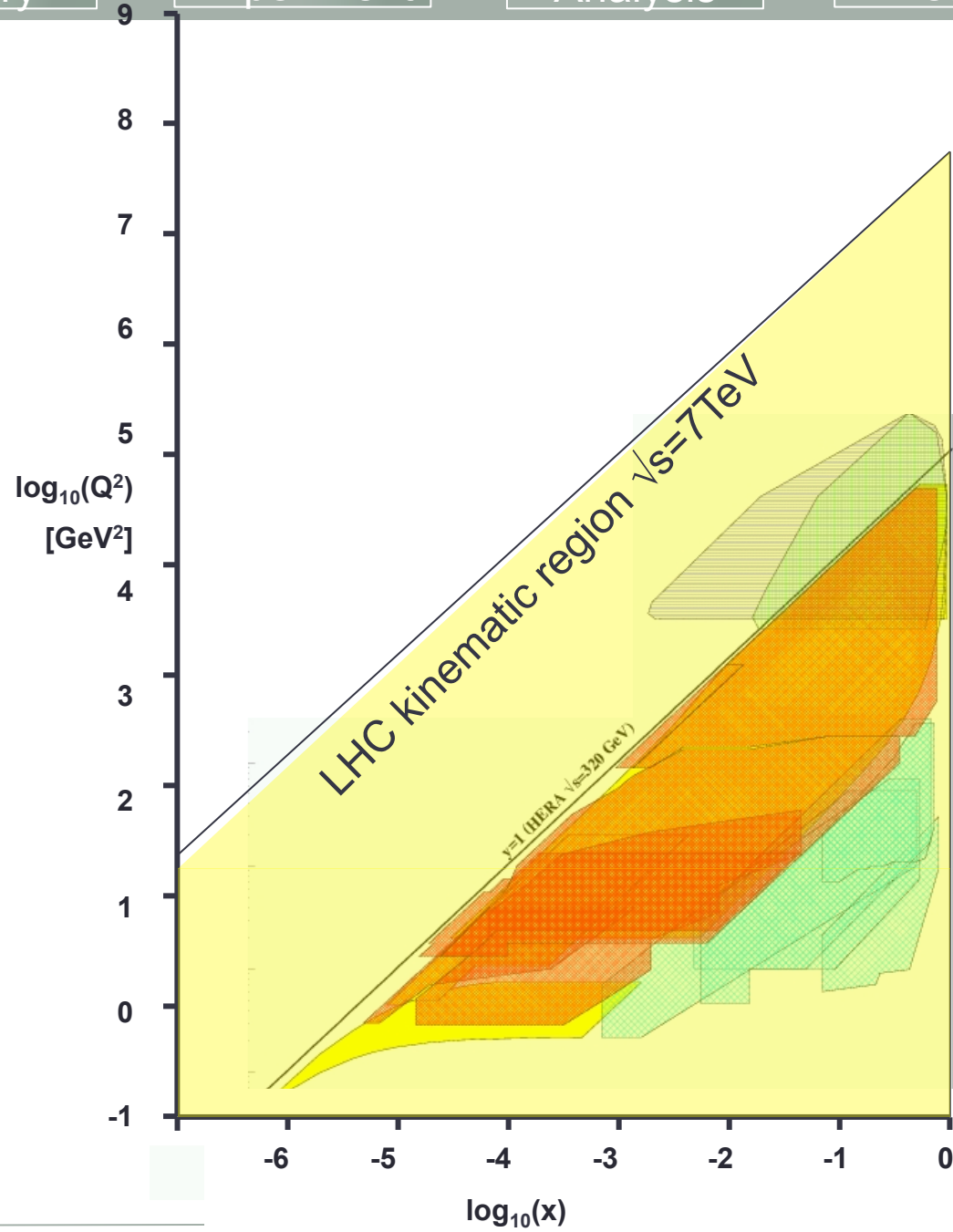
$$f_q(x, Q^2)$$

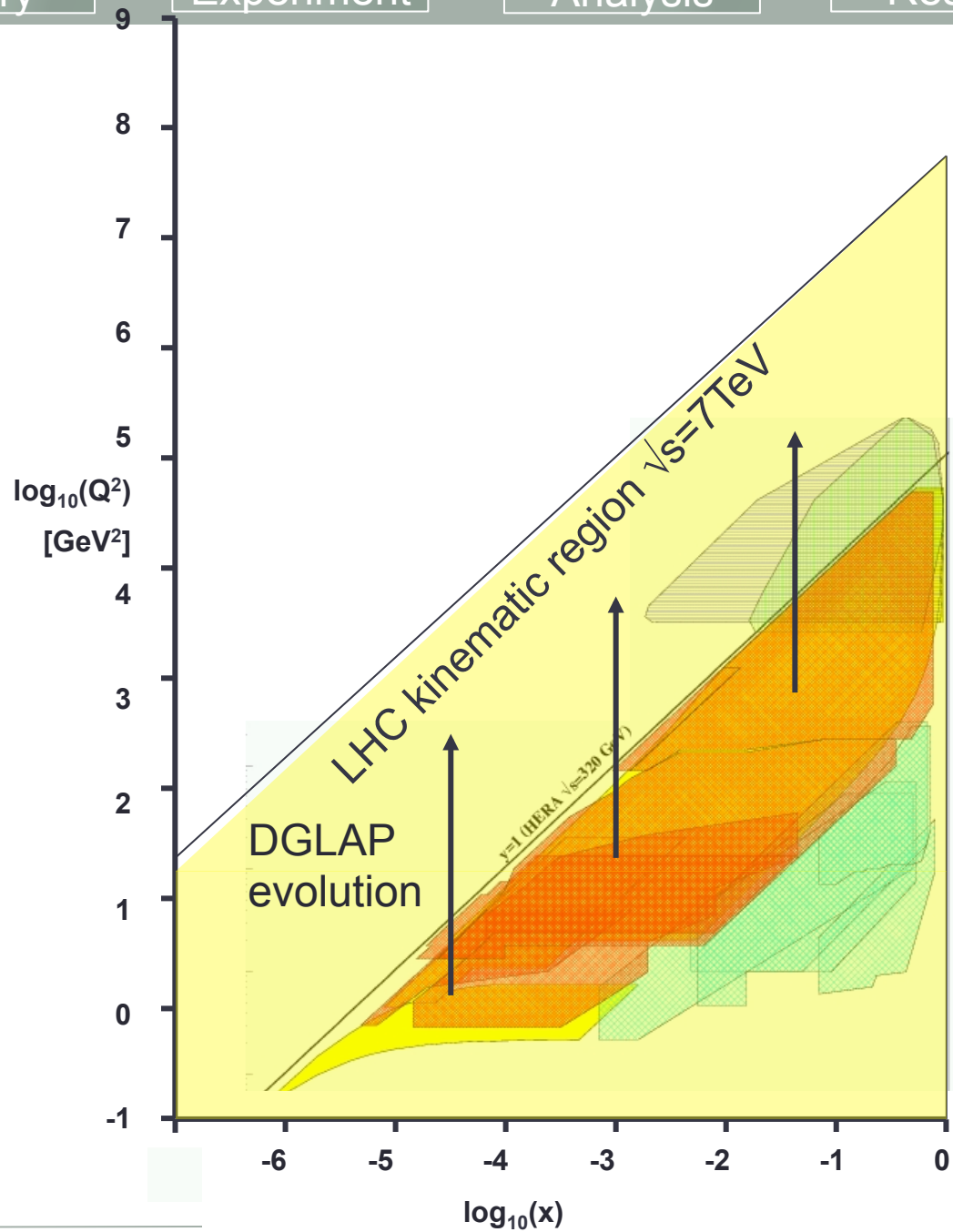
Probability that proton contains this parton with this momentum fraction

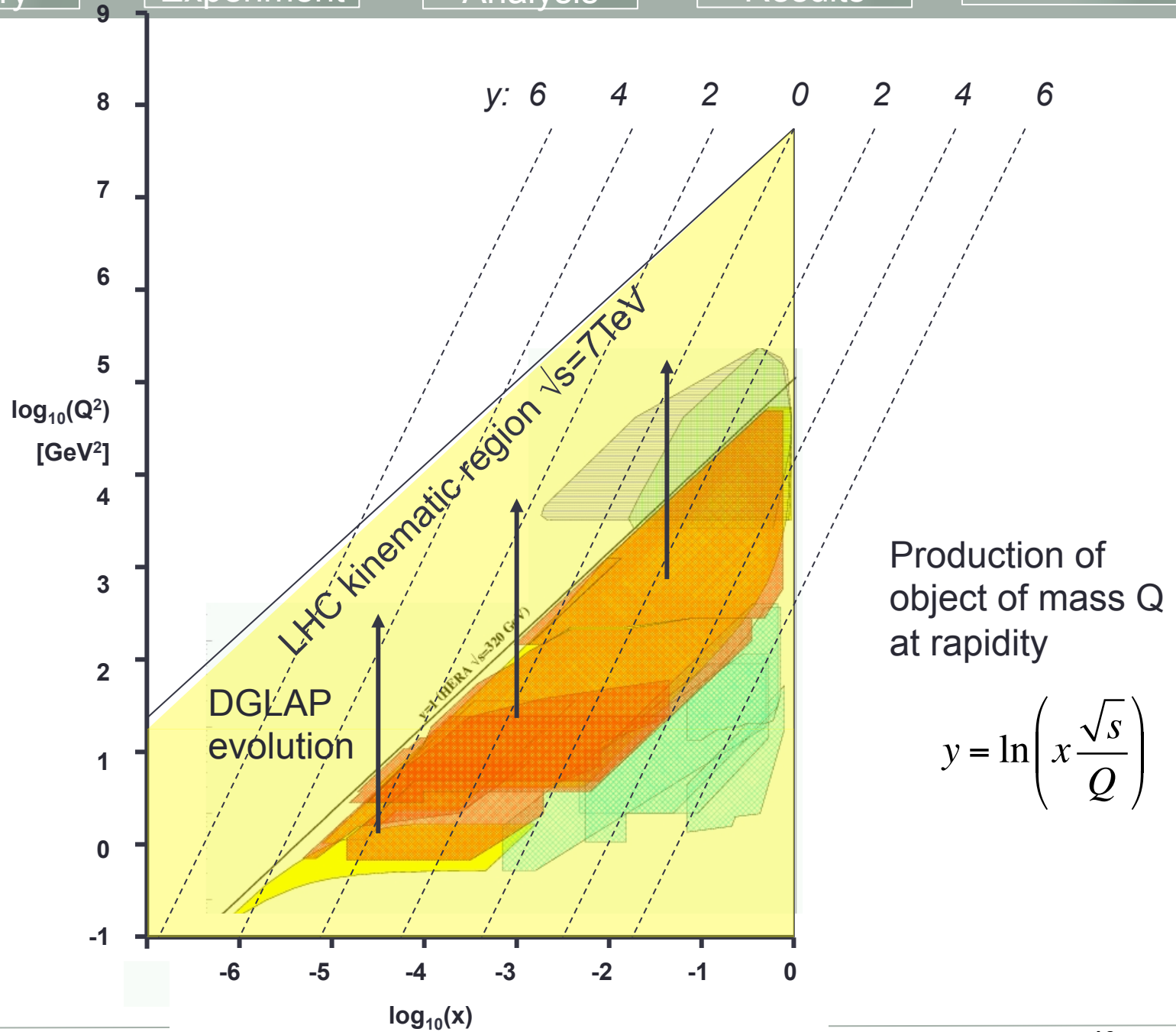
Q = Invariant mass of parton interaction
 $x = Qe^{\pm y}/\sqrt{s}$ [y is rapidity, \sqrt{s} c.o.m]

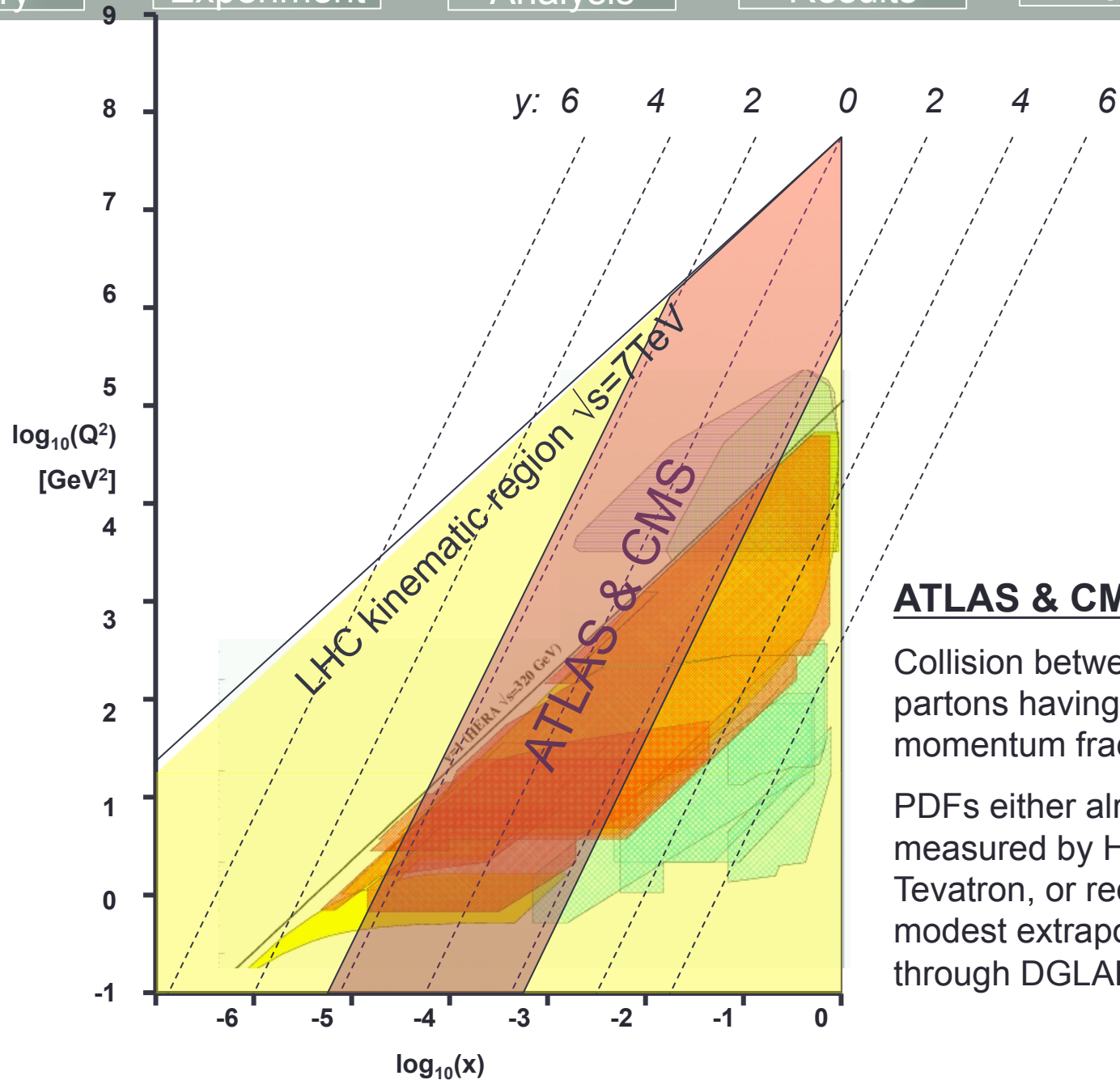
Reach in x and Q^2







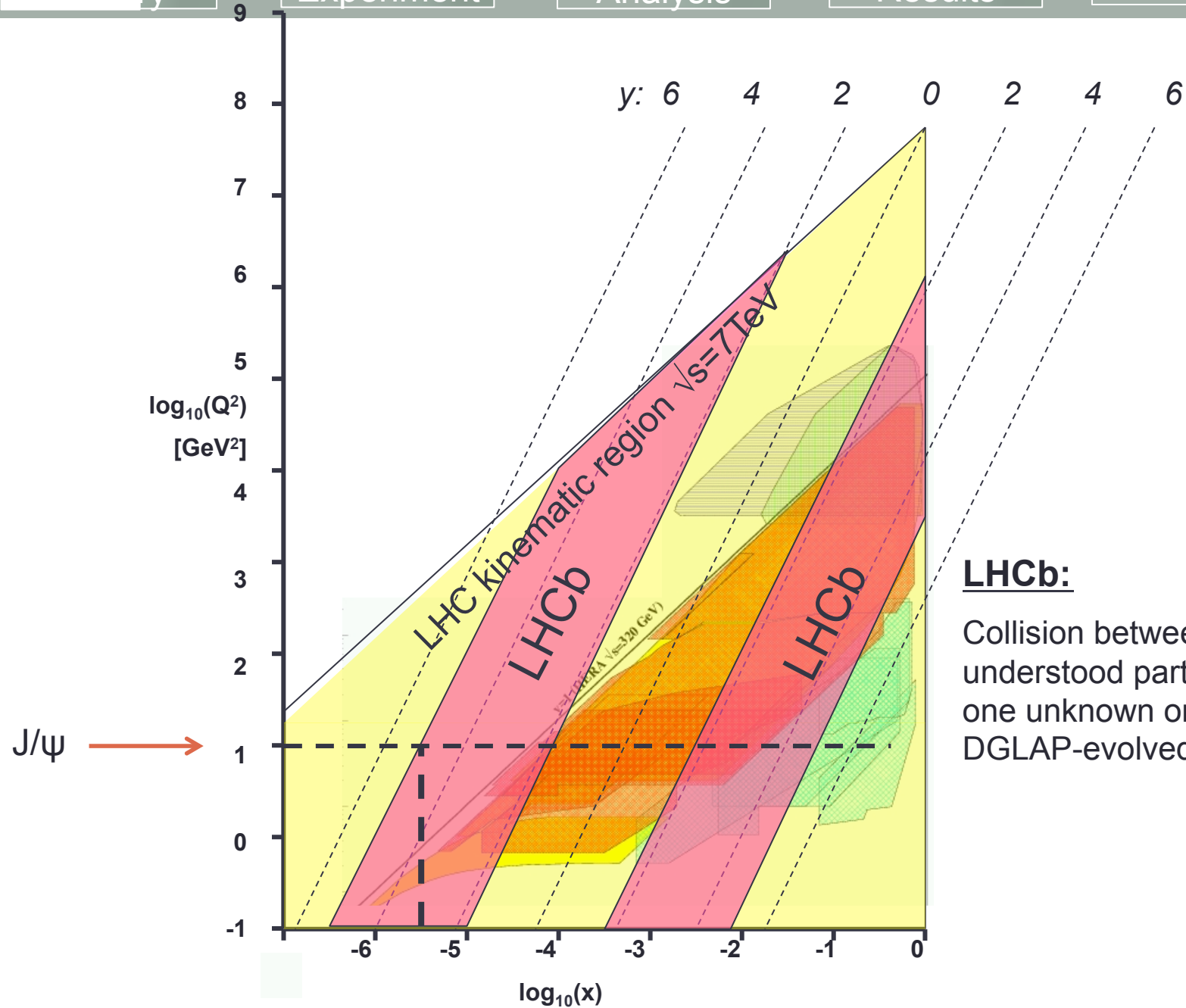




ATLAS & CMS:

Collision between two partons having similar momentum fractions.

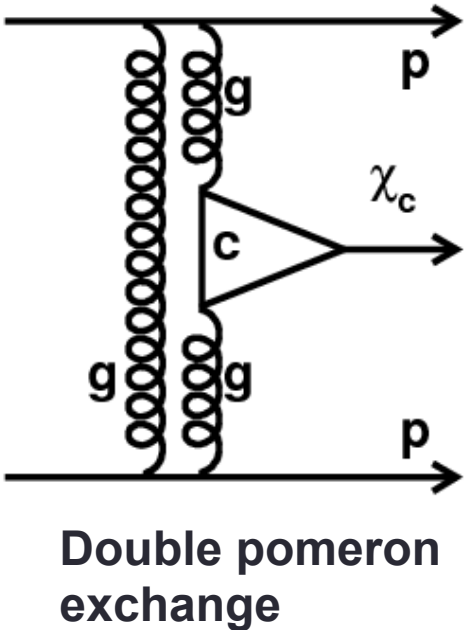
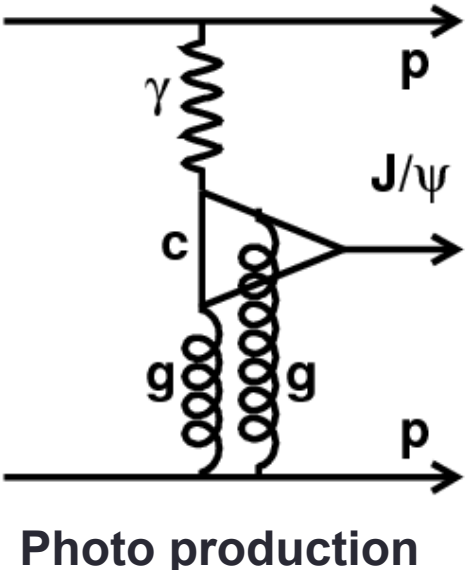
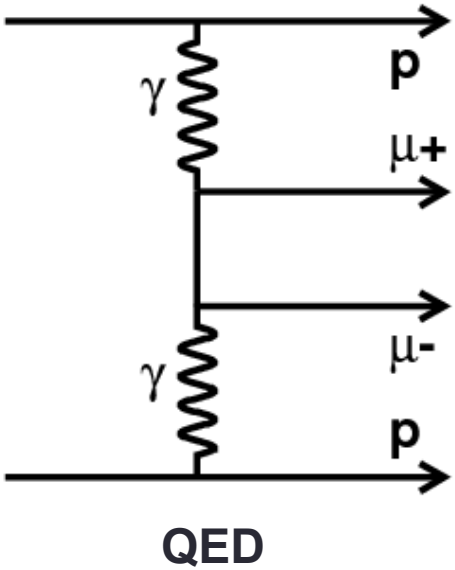
PDFs either already measured by HERA or Tevatron, or requiring modest extrapolation through DGLAP.



LHCb:

Collision between one well understood parton and one unknown or large DGLAP-evolved parton.

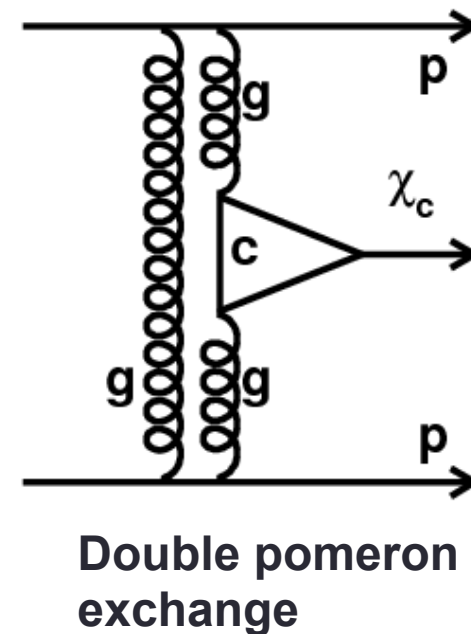
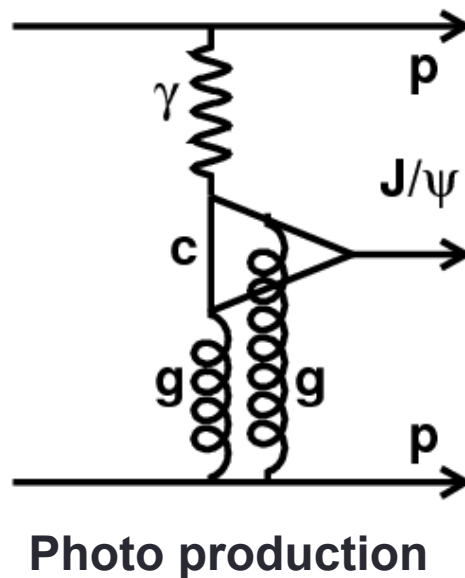
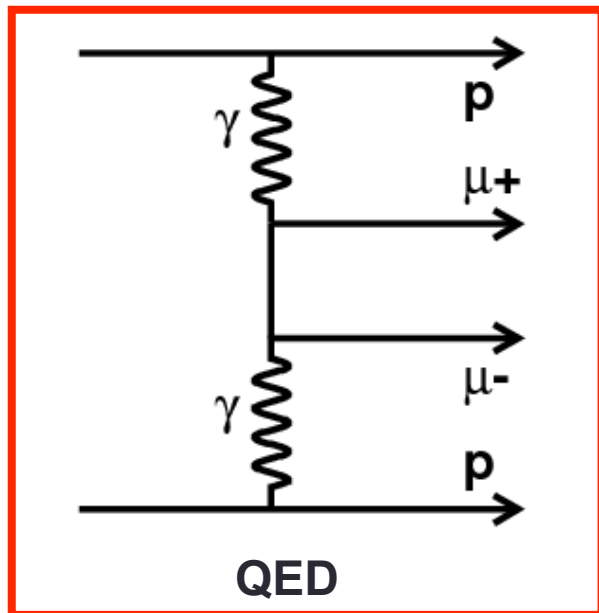
Central Exclusive Production with Dimuon final states



(Note: $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and $\chi_c \rightarrow J/\psi\gamma$)

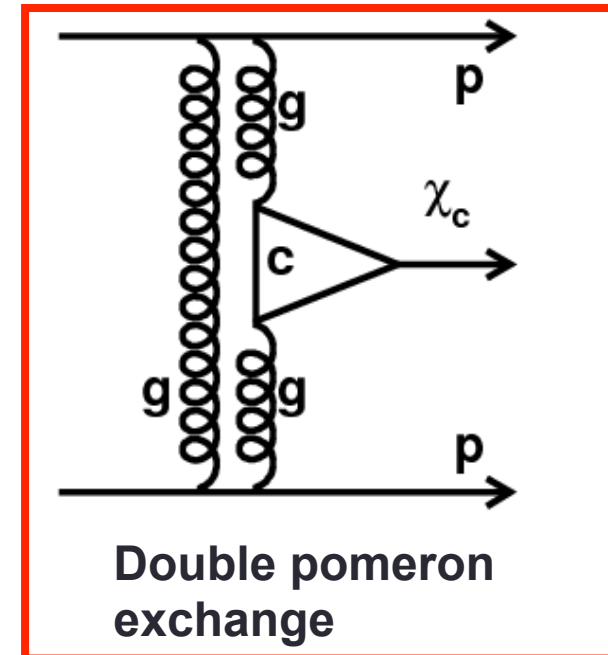
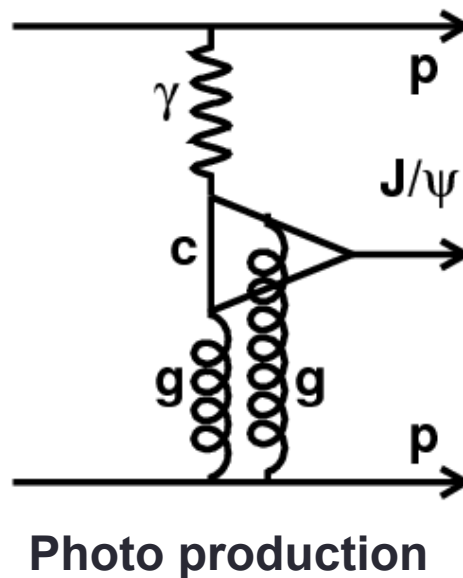
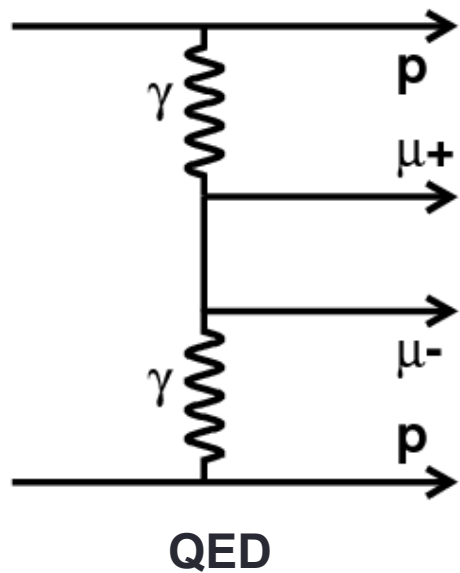
Related phenomena where the colourless object creates a particle

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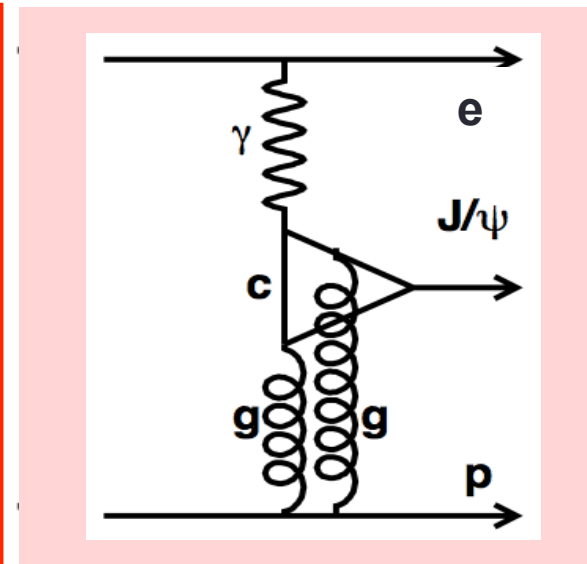
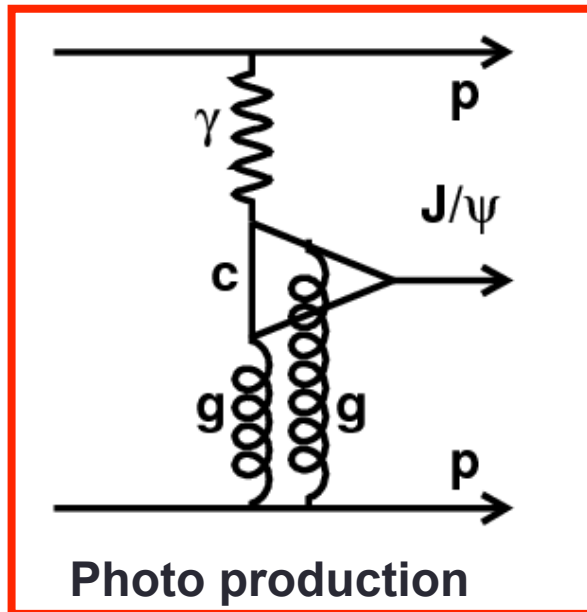
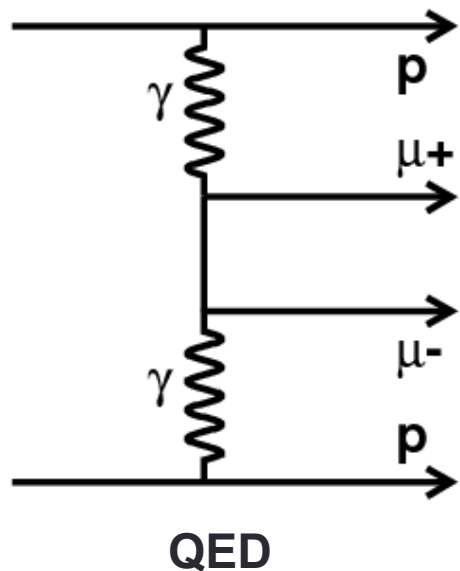
- QED process. Can be predicted with high accuracy ($\sim 1\%$)
- Candidate process for very precise luminosity determination at LHC

Central Exclusive Production with Dimuon final states



- Double pomeron exchange.
- Unambiguous evidence for pomeron
- 'Standard Candle' for other DPE processes, in particular, Higgs.

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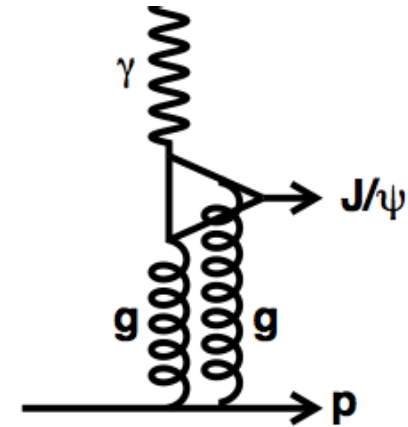


- Test of QCD and pomeron in clean environment
- Sensitive to diffractive PDF at very low x (to 5×10^{-6})
- Search for the odderon and saturation effects
- Measured at HERA/Tevatron but at different photon-proton energy, W

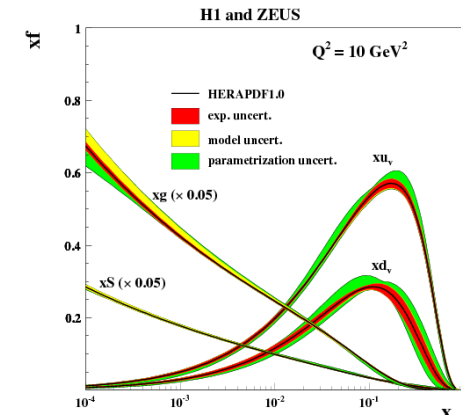
Photo-production cross-section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} (\gamma^* p \rightarrow J/\psi p) \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{\Gamma_{ee} M_{J/\psi}^3 \pi^3}{48\alpha} \left[\frac{\alpha_s(\bar{Q}^2)}{\bar{Q}^4} xg(x, \bar{Q}^2) \right]^2 \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{M_{J/\psi}^2} \right)$$

$$\bar{Q}^2 = (Q^2 + M_{J/\psi}^2)/4, \quad x = (Q^2 + M_{J/\psi}^2)/(W^2 + M_{J/\psi}^2).$$

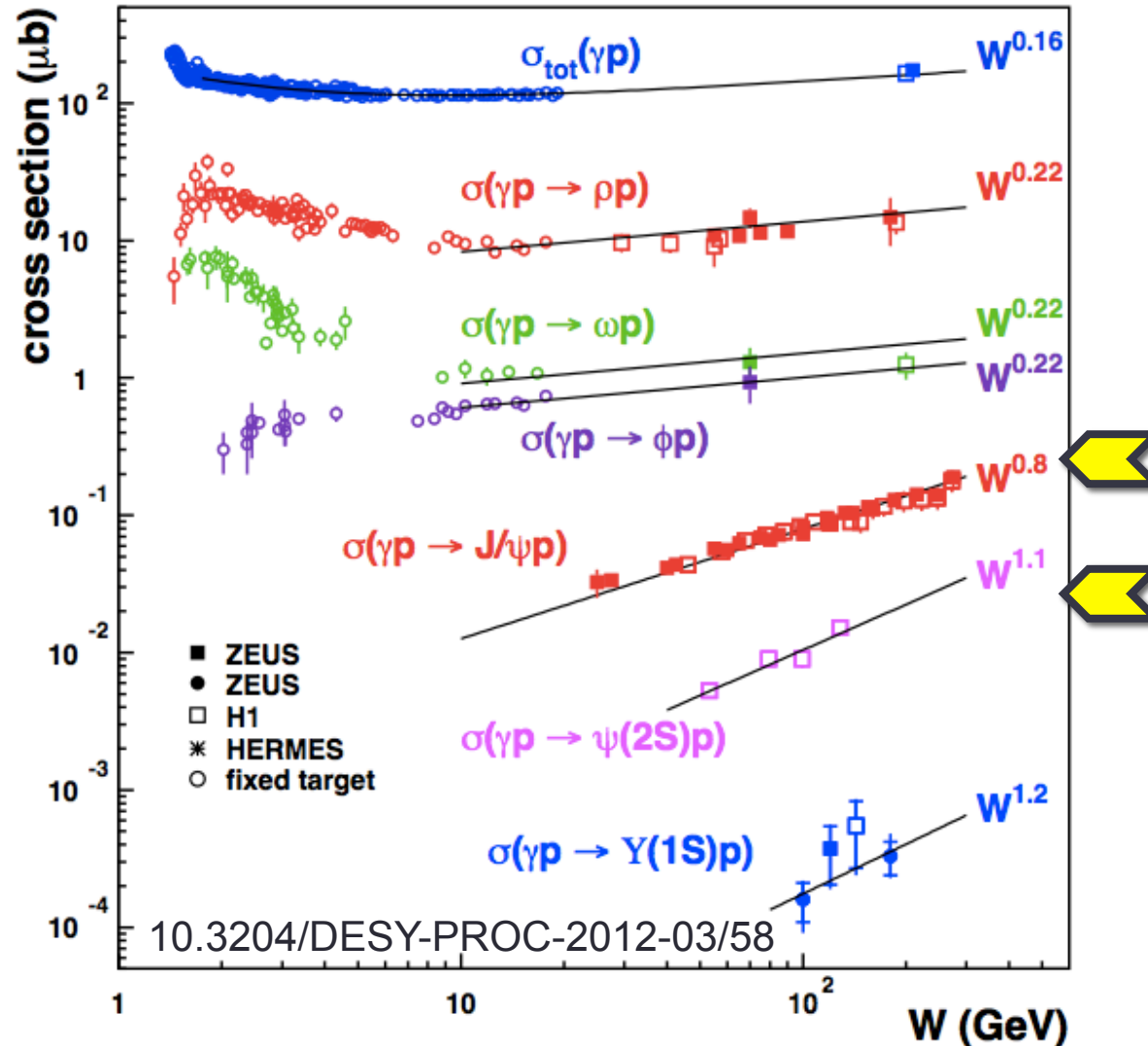


Cross-section proportional to gluon² $\sigma \sim (xg)^2$
and so $\sigma \sim x^\lambda$



- [1] Martin A D, Nockles C, Ryskin M and Teubner T 2008 Small x gluon from exclusive J/ψ production *Phys. Lett. B* **662** 252 (arXiv:0709.4406)
- [2] Ryskin M G 1993 J/ψ electroproduction in LLA QCD *Z. Phys. C* **57** 89
- [3] Ryskin M G, Roberts R G, Martin A D and Levin E M 1997 Diffractive J/ψ photoproduction as a probe of the gluon density *Z. Phys. C* **76** 231 (arXiv:hep-ph/9511228)
- [4] S. Jones, A. Martin, M. Ryskin, and T. Teubner, *Probes of the small x gluon via exclusive J/ψ and Υ production at HERA and the LHC*, *JHEP* **1311** (2013) 085, arXiv:1307.7099.

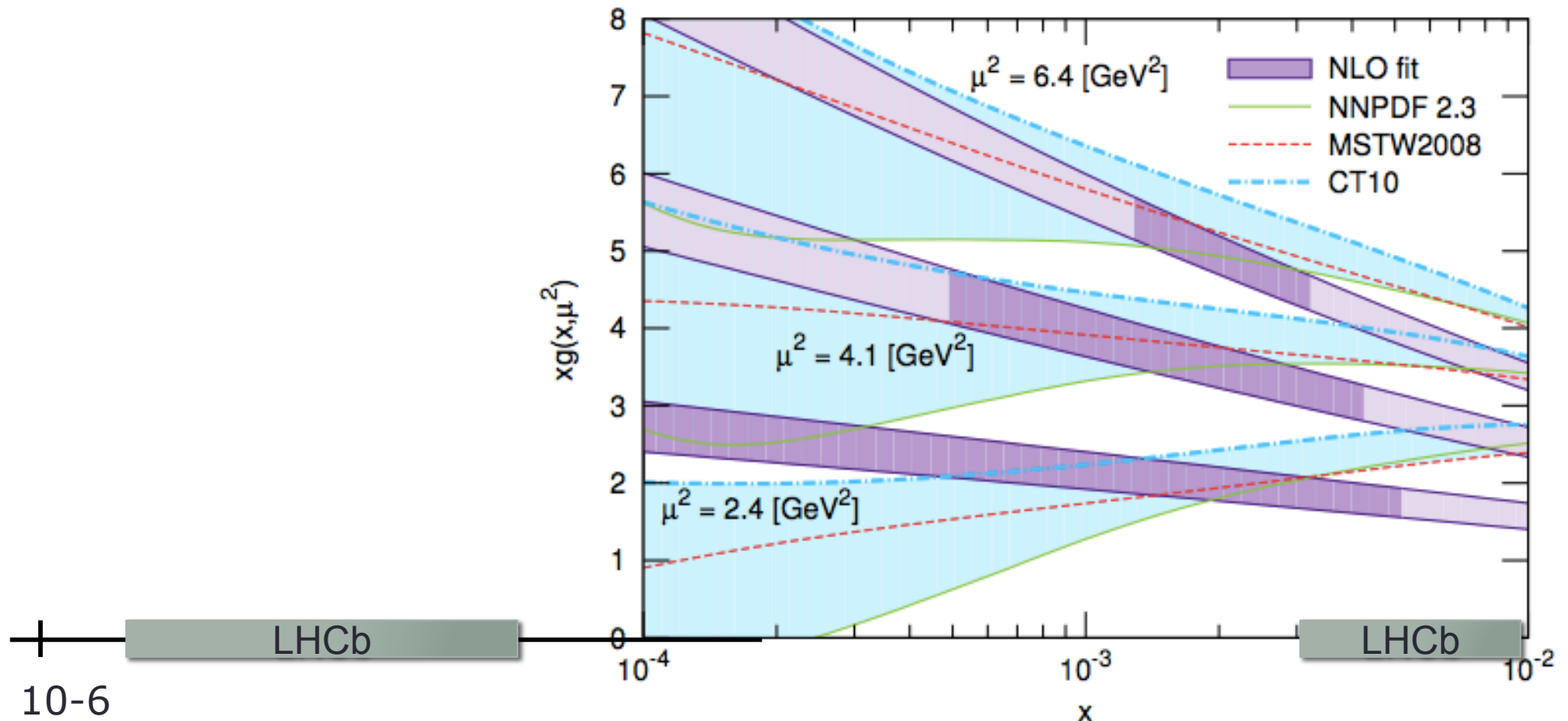
HERA vector meson photo-production results



Note:

- $\sigma \sim x^\lambda$
- soft/hard
- $g(x, Q^2)$

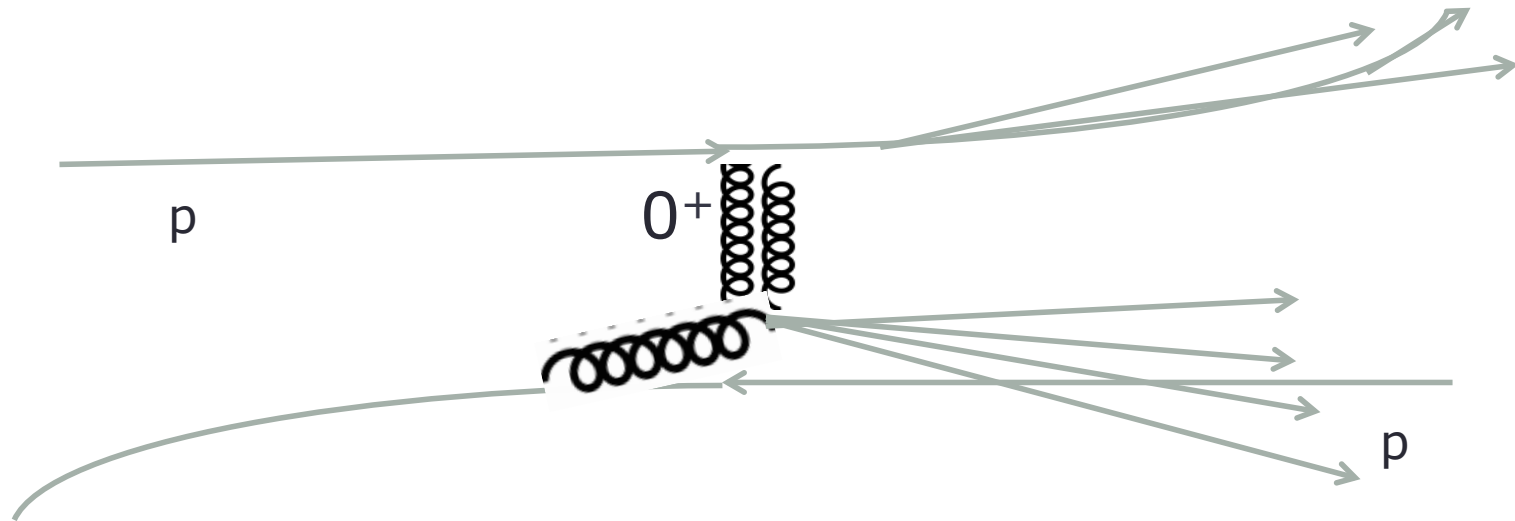
Sensitivity to gluon pdf (arXiv: 1307.7099)



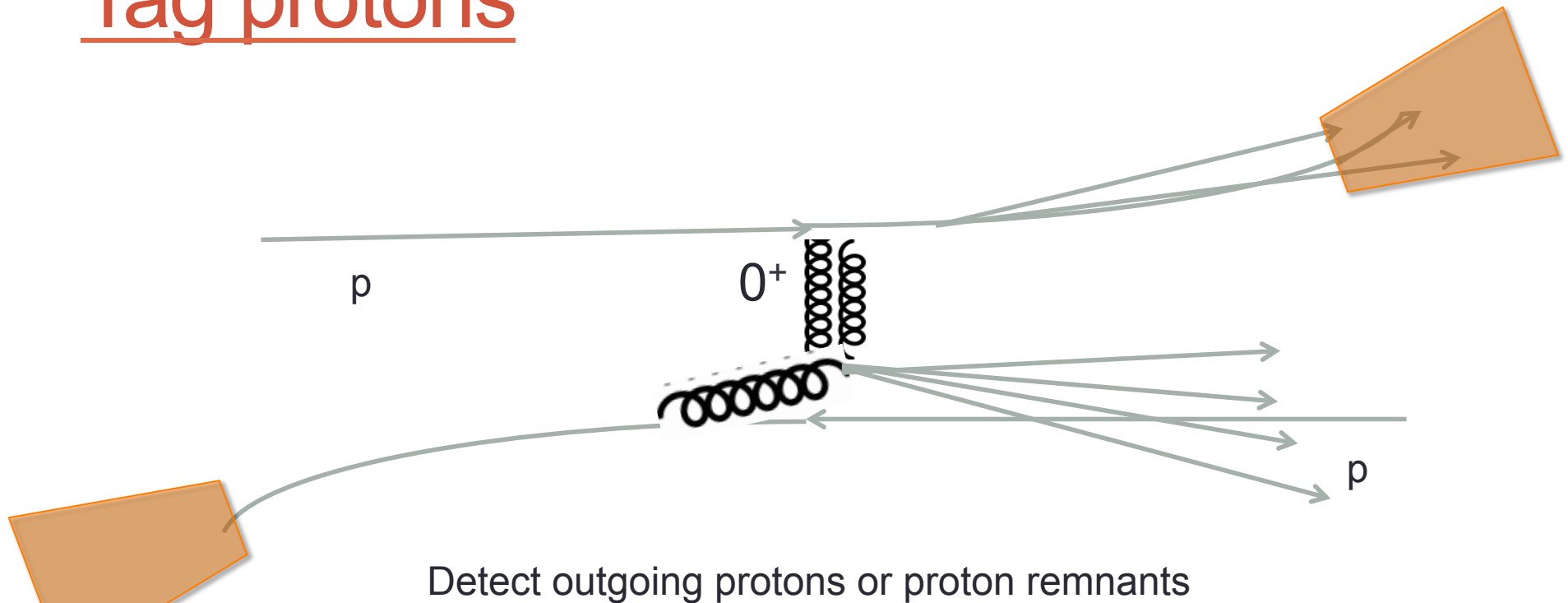
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Experimental Signatures

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Tag protons



$$y \sim \eta = -\log(\tan(\theta/2)) = 9$$

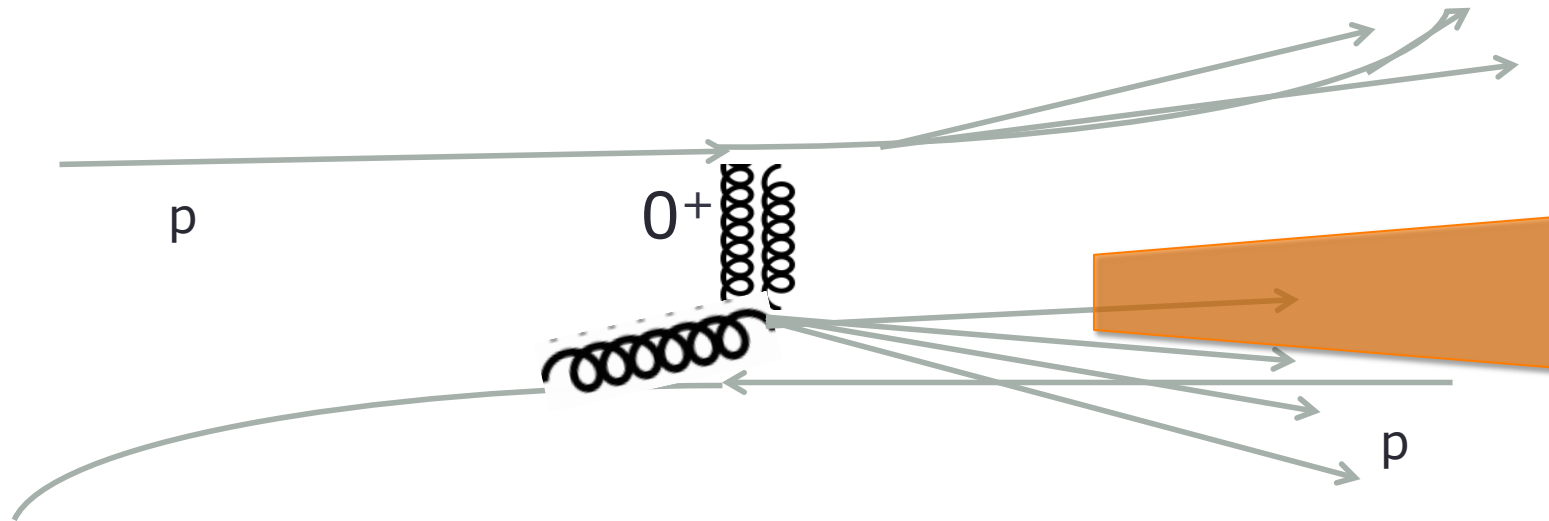
$$P_T = 1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$P_{\text{beam}} = 3500 \text{ GeV}$$

Requires detector that approaches the beamline

CMS-Totem PPS, ATLAS AFP projects
Silicon in roman pots with 10ps timing
See FP LHC WG.

Find rapidity gap

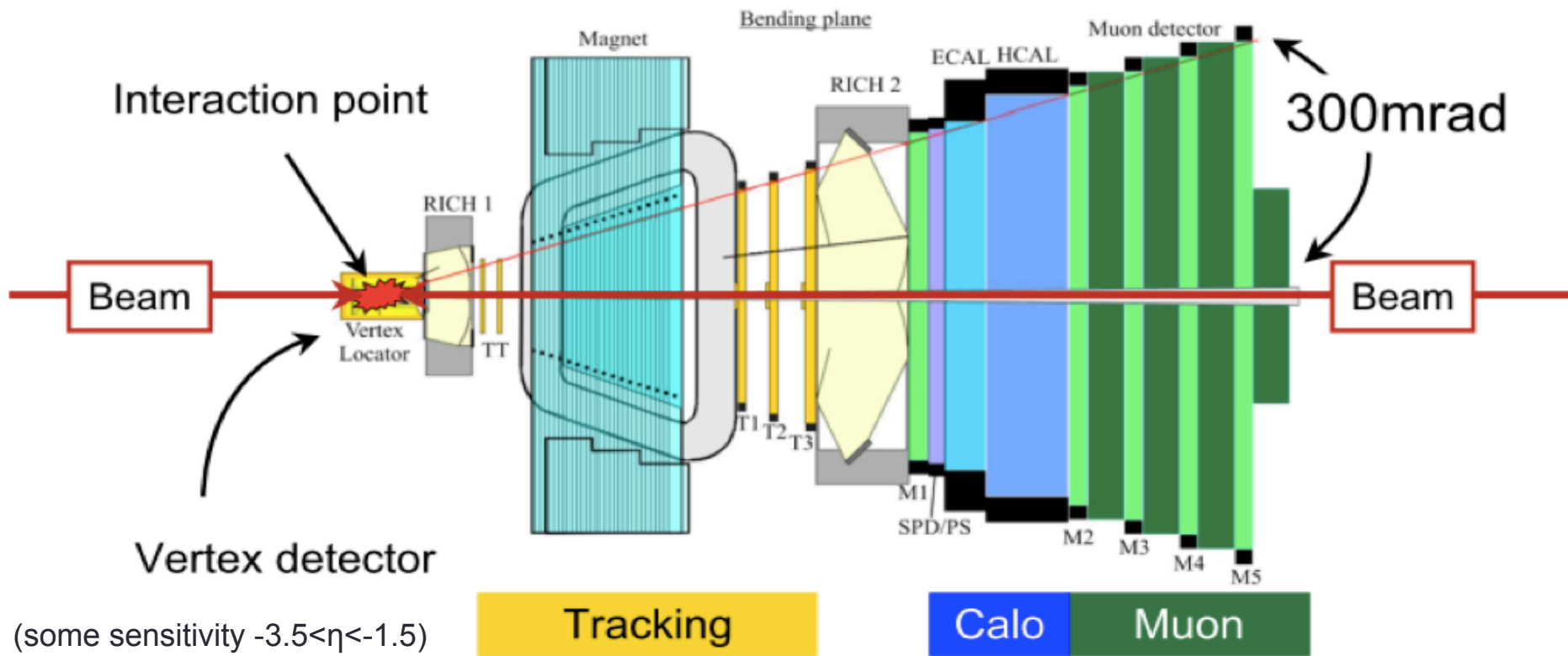


Detect 'central' system including presence of rapidity gap

Most pp interactions distribute particles throughout 4π (collimated in jets but also with activity between jets)

Size of gap you can detect is critical

The LHCb detector

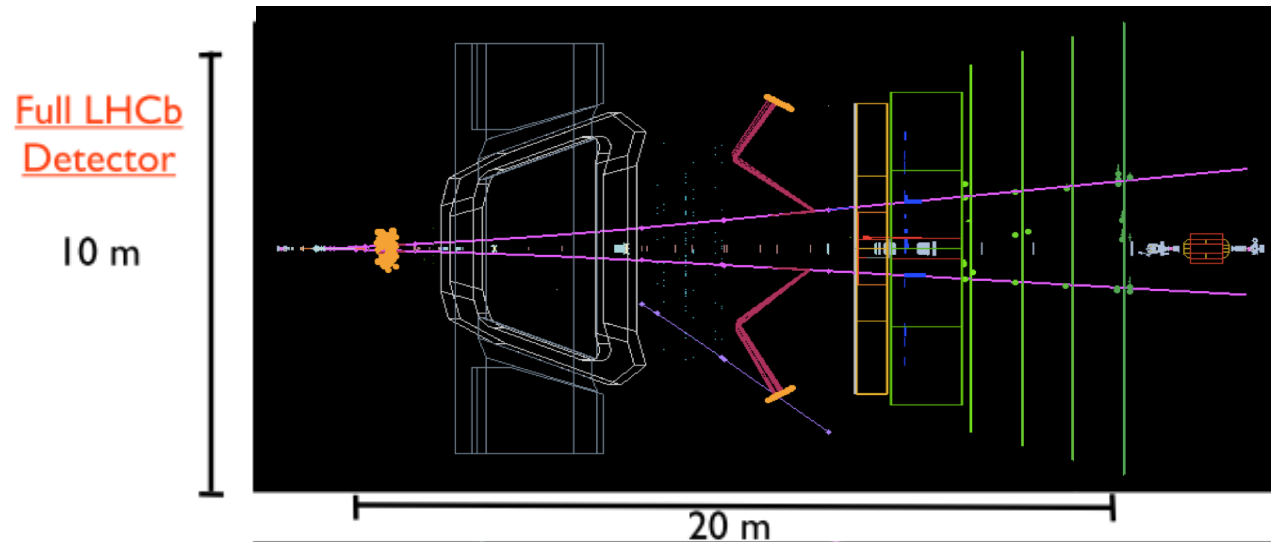


Fully instrumented from $2 < \eta < 5$

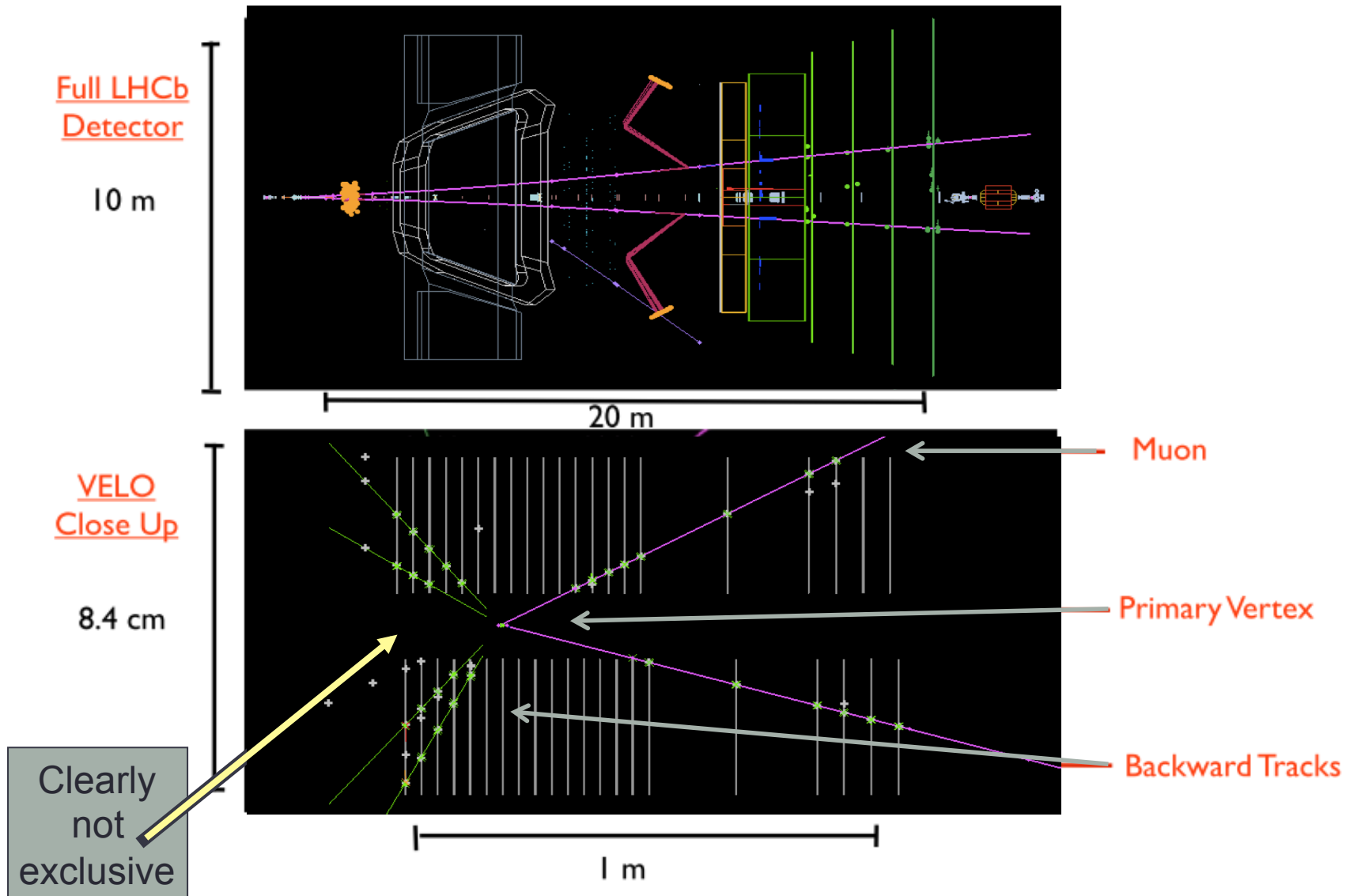
VELO sub-detector



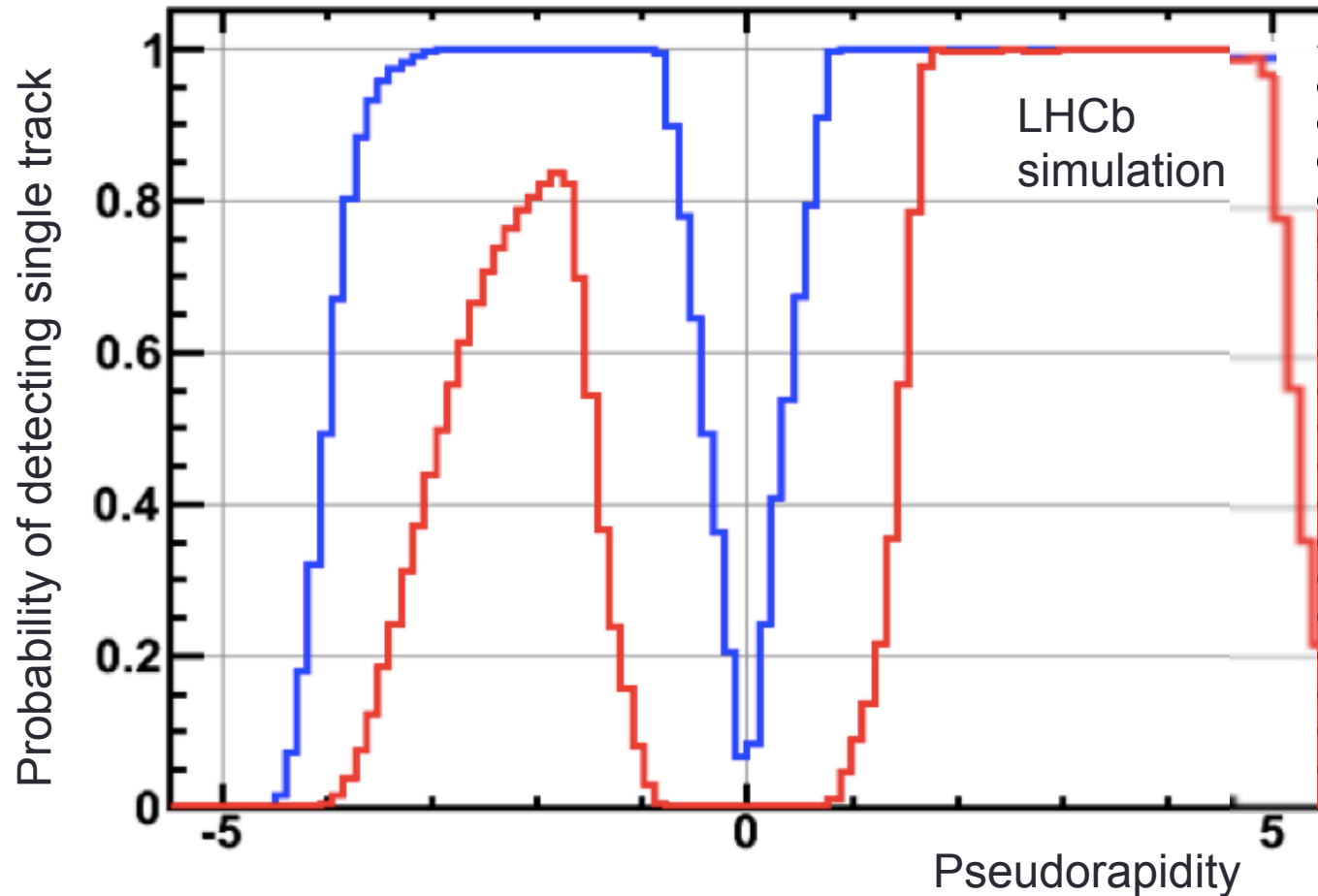
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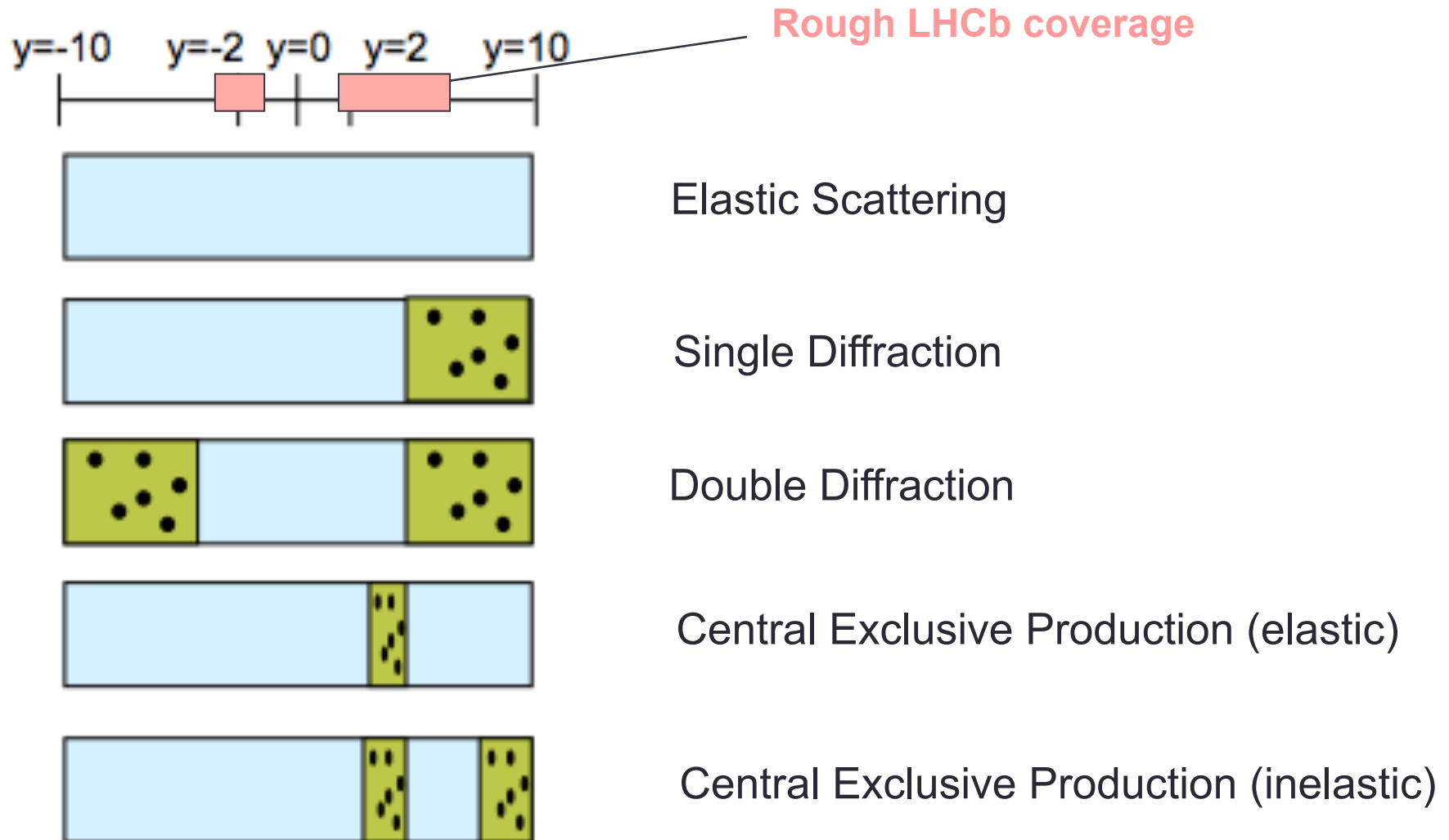


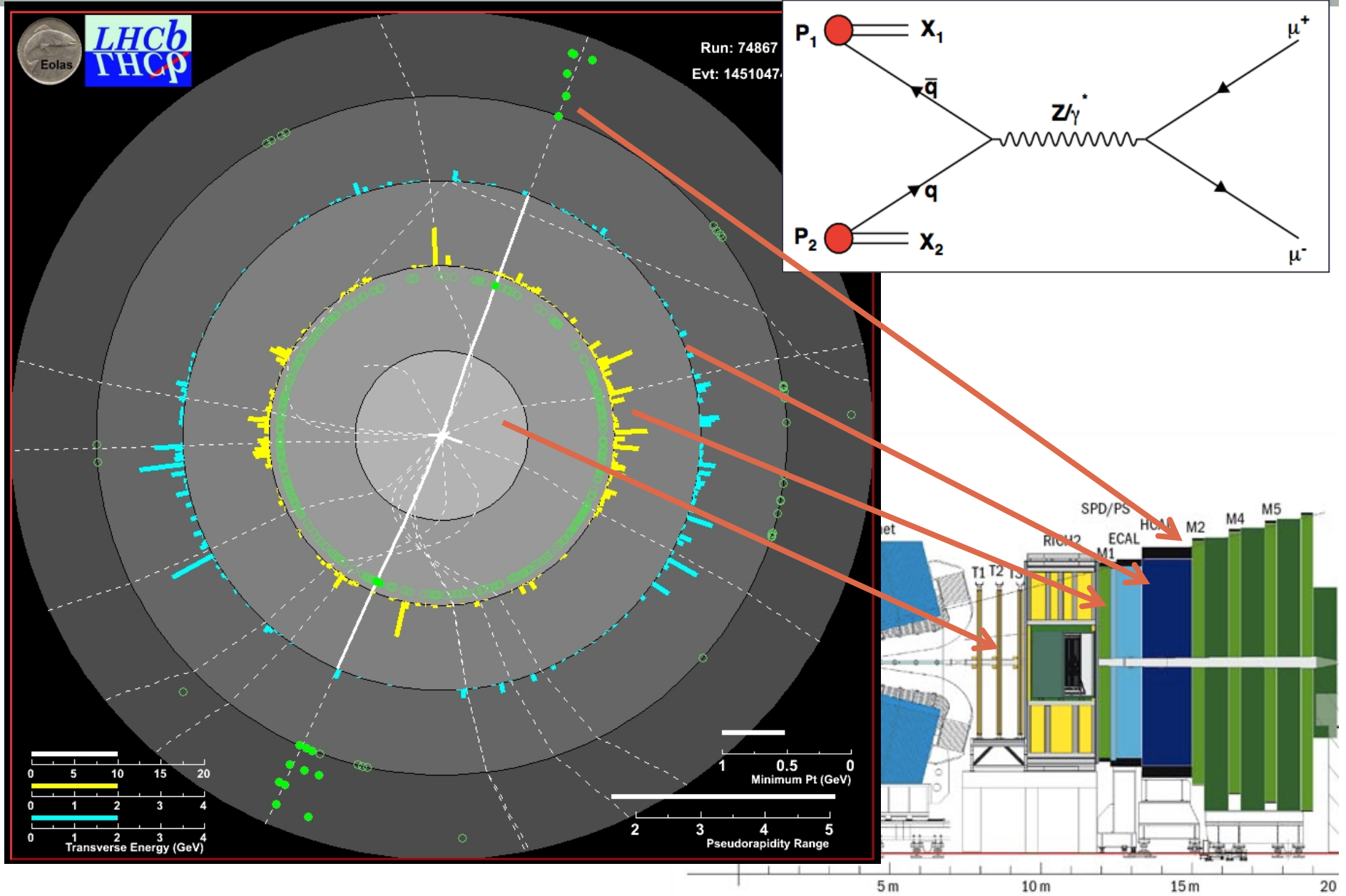
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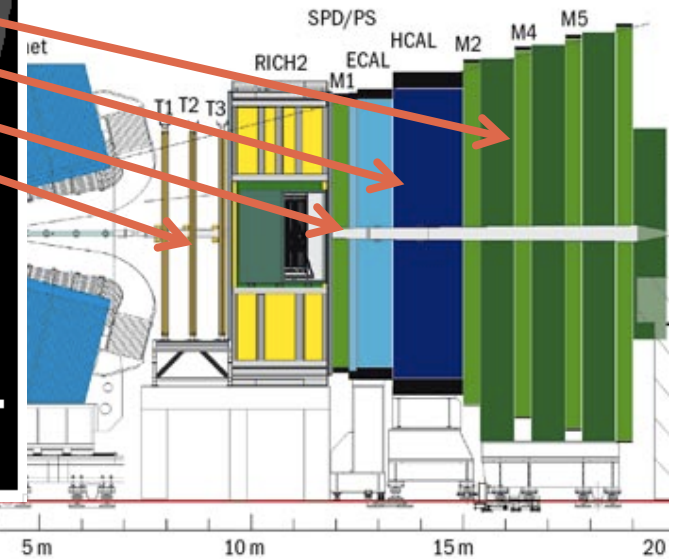
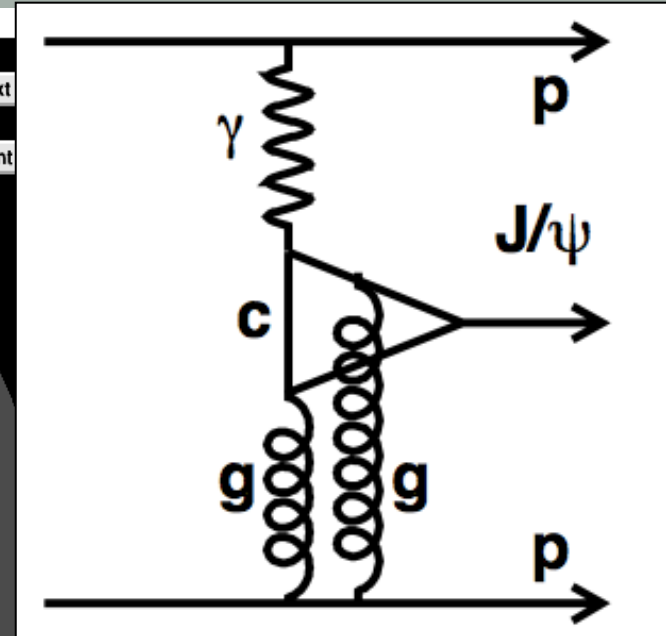
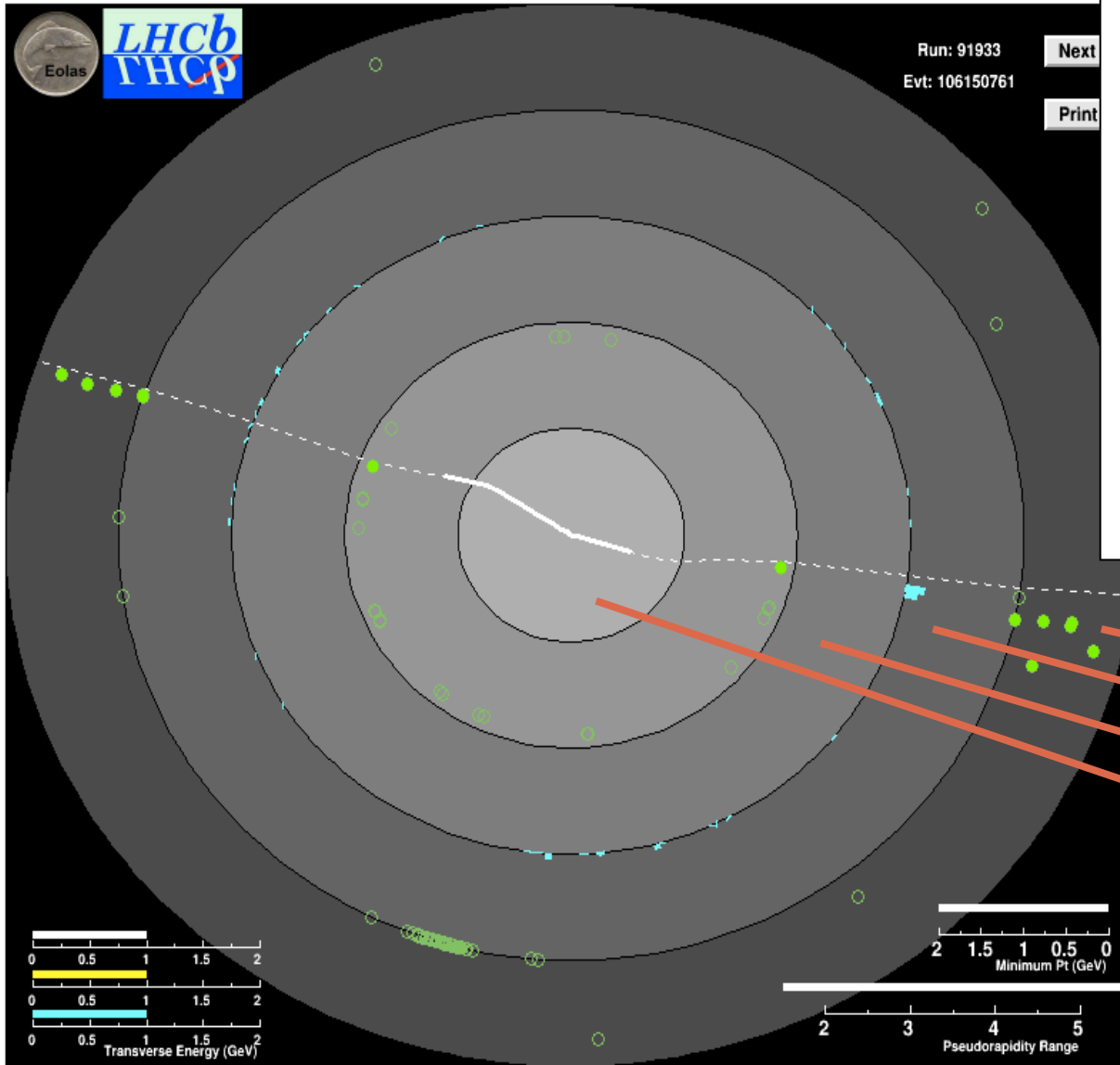


All results I show imply red region void, (except for muons from signal).

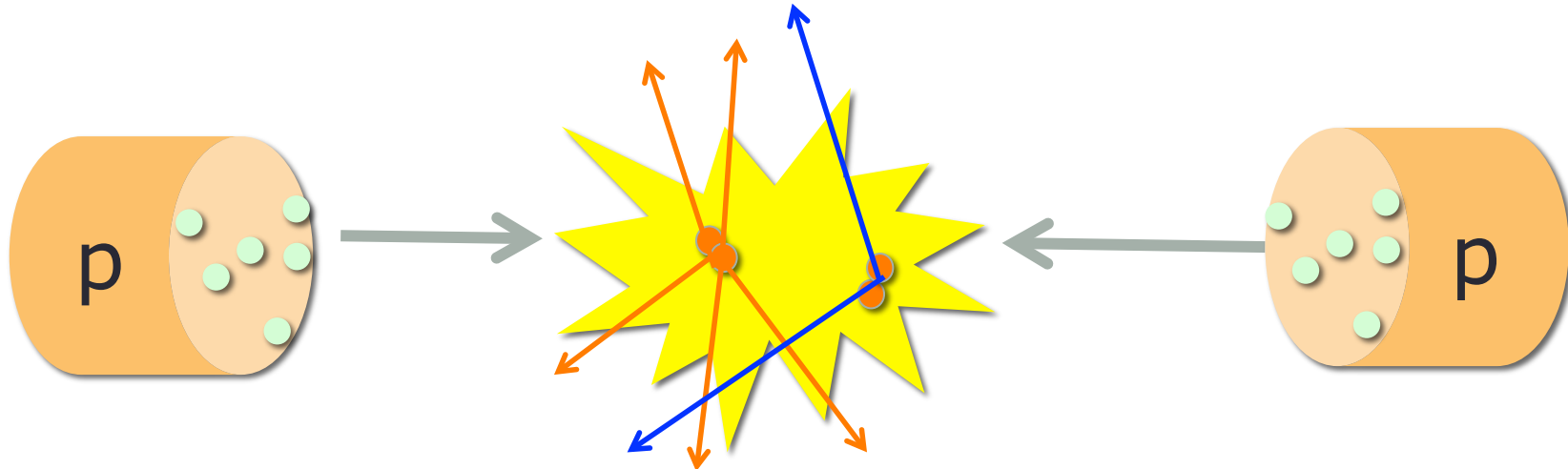
Graphical Representation







Beam pile-up



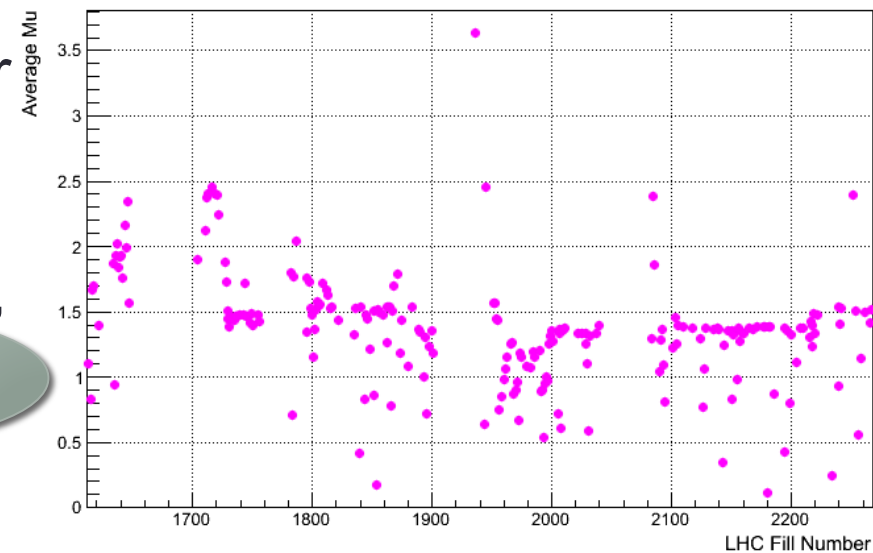
High luminosity requires multiple proton interactions per beam-crossing.

Number of interactions (N) /crossings, distributed

$$f(N) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^N}{N!}$$

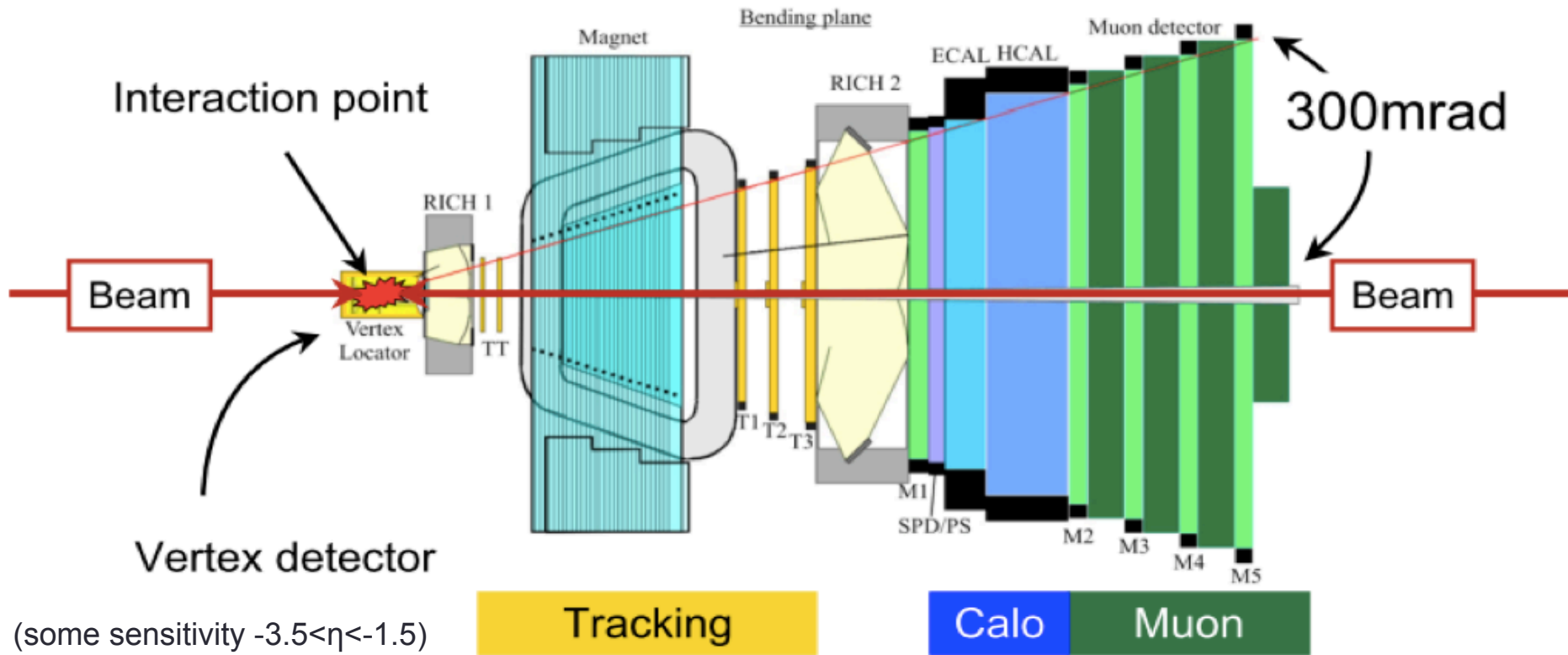
Average #interactions

LHCb Average Mu at 3.5 TeV in 2011

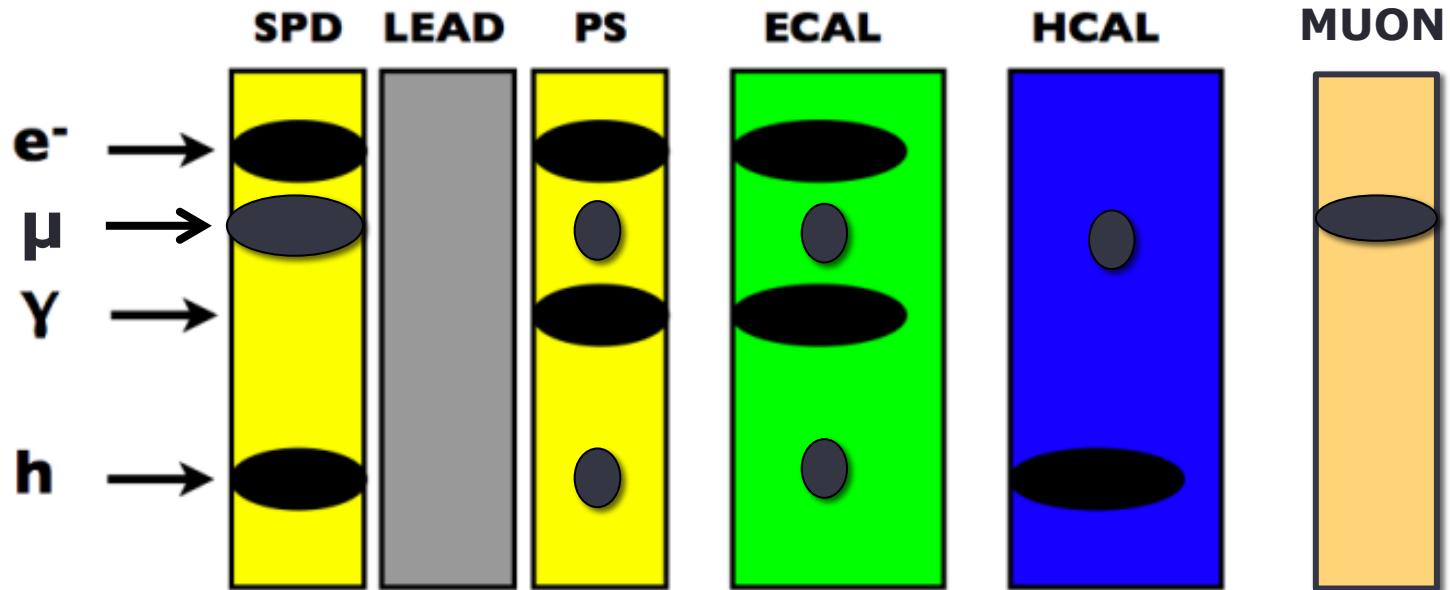


For LHCb in 2011, $\bar{\mu}=1.4$

The LHCb detector



Calorimeter System in LHCb

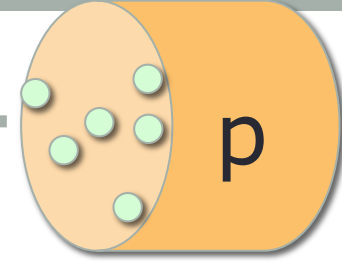
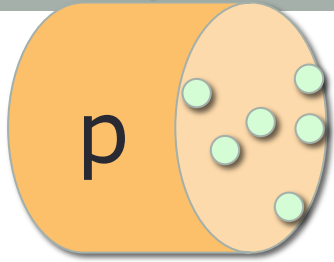


Scintillation Pad Detector.

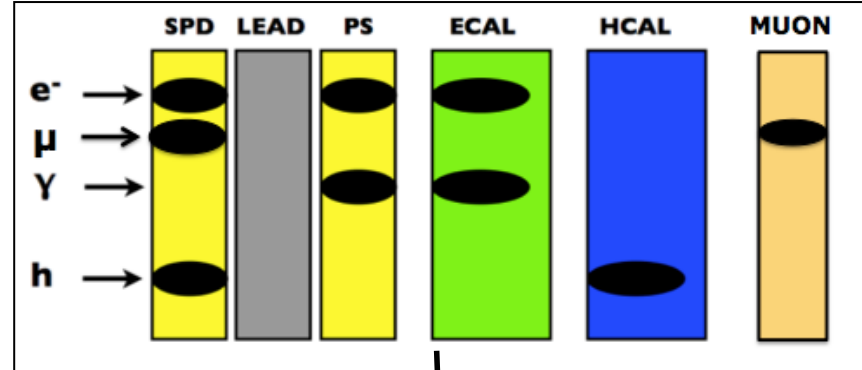
If a charged particle goes through, we get a signal.

Rough count of number of charged particles.

Use in trigger to select **low multiplicity** events for CEP. <10 hits



40 MHz



Hardware:
Fast electronics

L0 Trigger:

$p_T^\mu > 400 \text{ MeV}$
 $\#SPD < 10$

$\sim 1 \text{ MHz}$



Software:
Parallel processing

HLT Trigger:

Two muons
with $p_T > 400 \text{ MeV}$

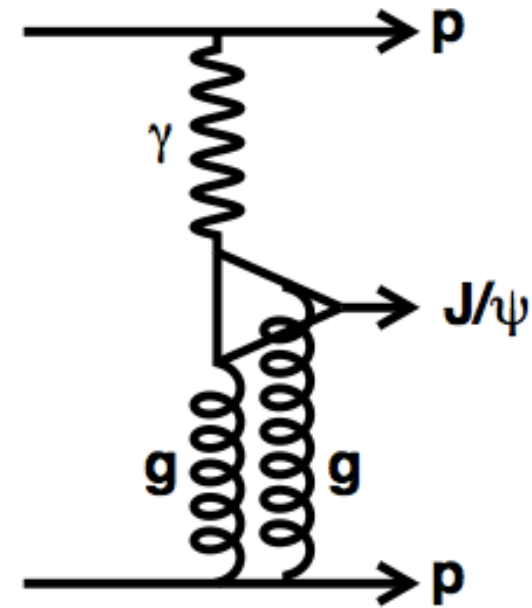
$\sim 2 \text{ kHz}$

Triggering

Central Exclusive Production of J/ψ and ψ(2S) mesons

Data-taking year	Energy	Integrated Luminosity	Paper
2010	7 TeV	37pb ⁻¹	JPG 40 (2013) 045001
2011	7 TeV	930pb ⁻¹	arXiv: 1401.3288 (accepted by JPG)

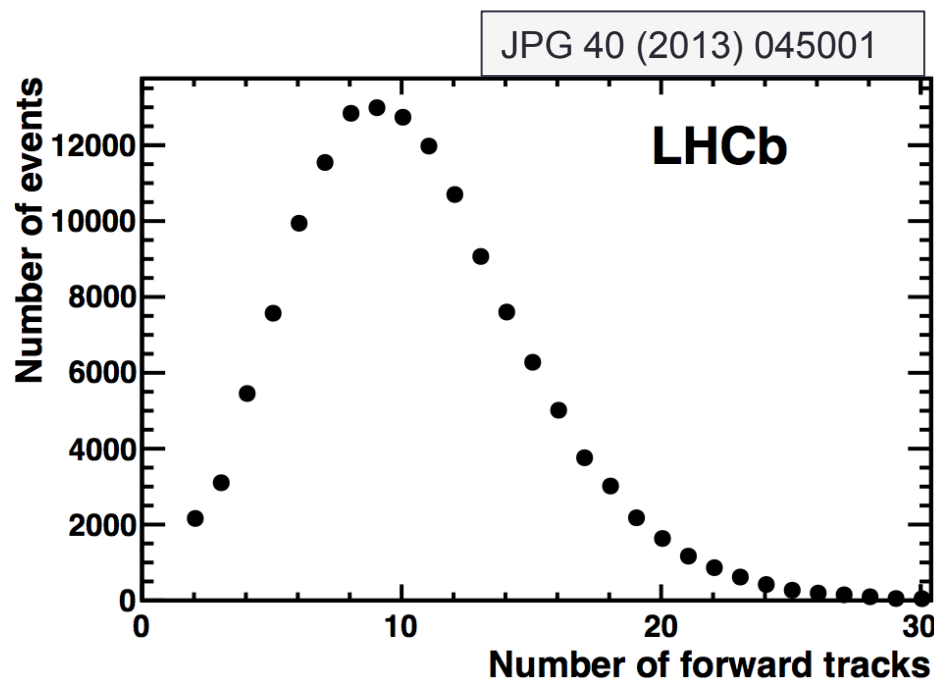
Simple Selection Criteria



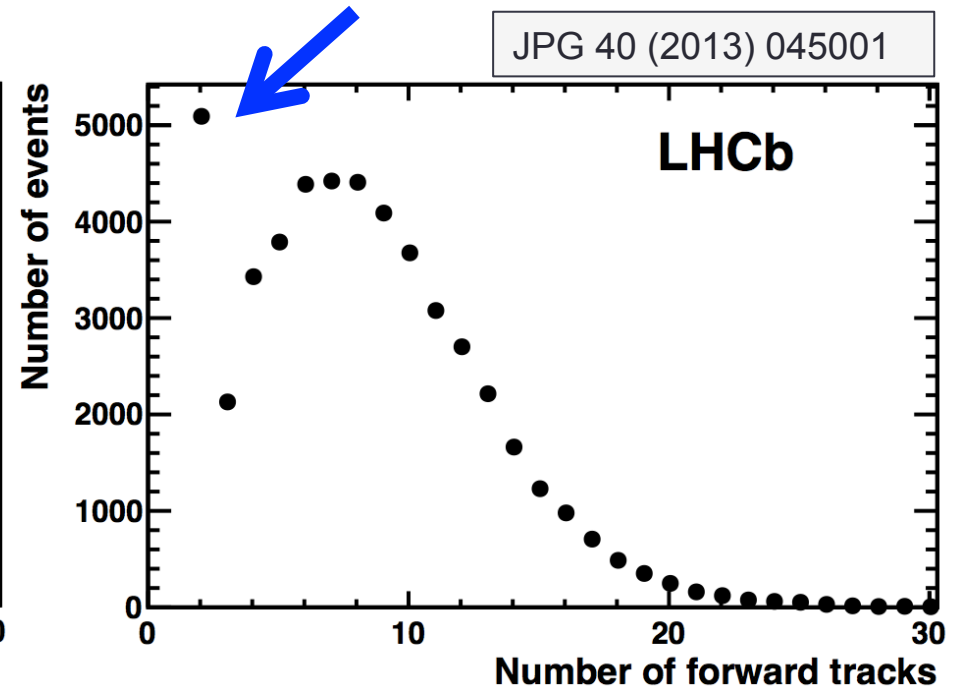
- **Precisely two forward muons**
- **No backward tracks**
- No photons
- p_T^2 of dimuon $< 0.8 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Mass of dimuon within 65 MeV of J/ψ or $\psi(2S)$

2 forward gaps that sum to 3.5 units of rapidity + a backward $\langle \text{gap} \rangle$ of 1.7

Effect of rapidity gap requirement on low multiplicity muon triggered events

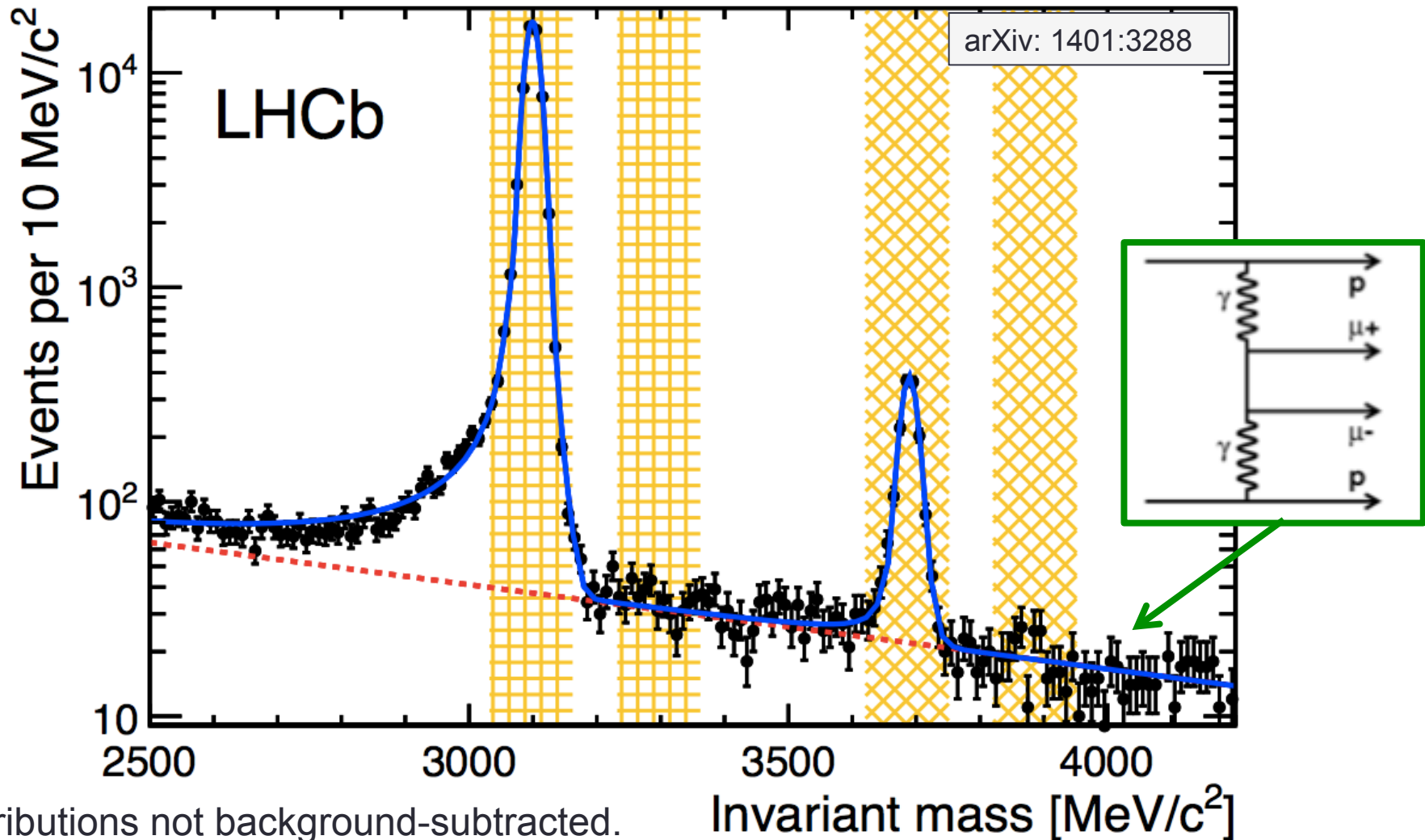


All triggered events



With veto on backward tracks

Non-resonant background very small



Distributions not background-subtracted.
55985 J/ψ and 1565 $\psi(2s)$

Cross-section measurement J/ψ / $\psi(2S)$

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Efficiency: (found from data)

1. Trigger
2. Muon identification
3. Single interaction beam-crossing

$$P(1) = \frac{\mu^1 e^{-\mu}}{1!}$$

Cross-section measurement J/ψ / $\psi(2S)$

Purity: (found from data)

1. non-resonant bkg (1% / 17%)
2. Feaddown (10% / 2%)
3. Inelastic Jpsi production (40% / 40%)

Number of events
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Luminosity

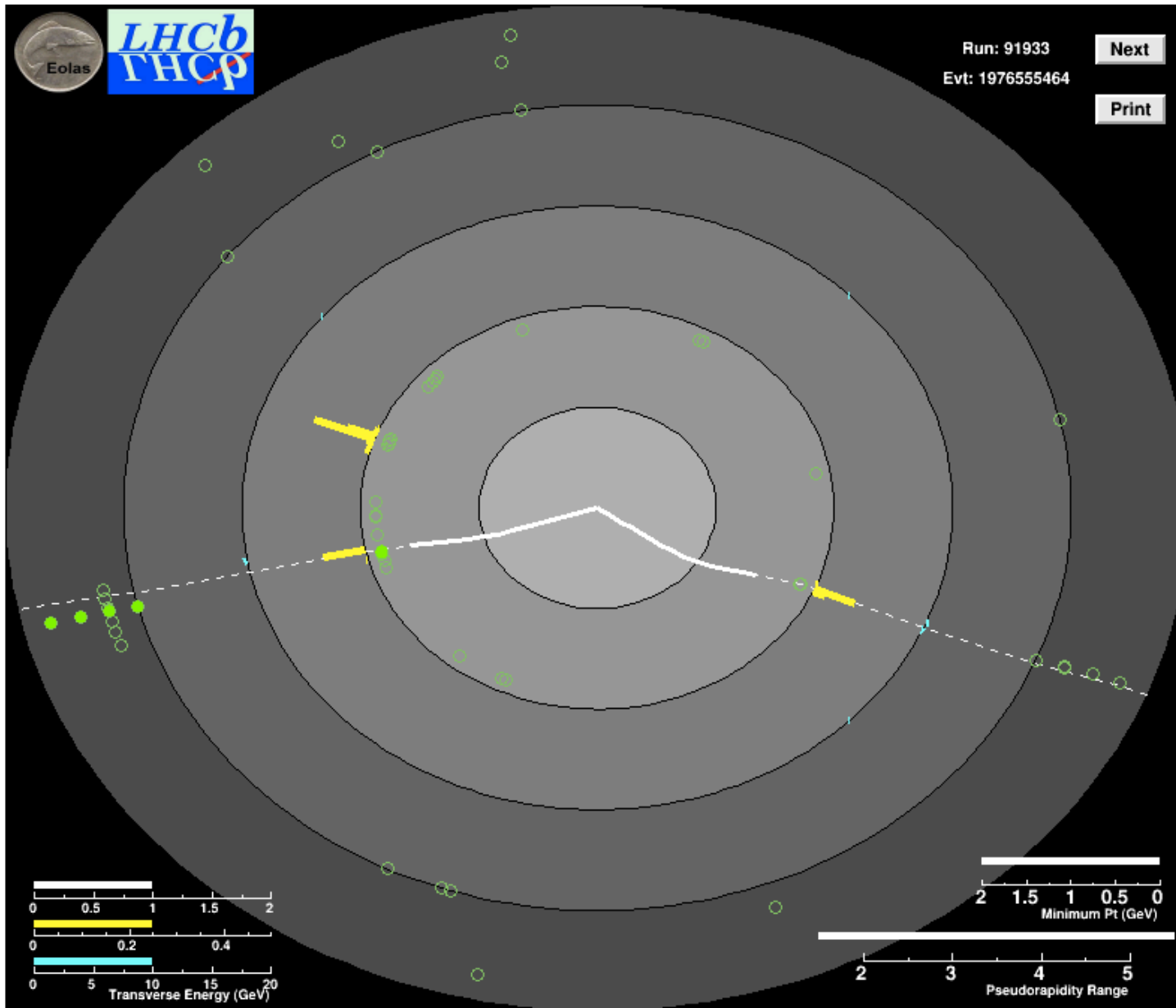
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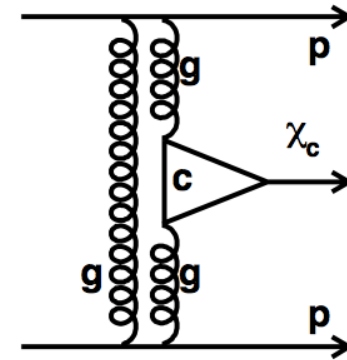
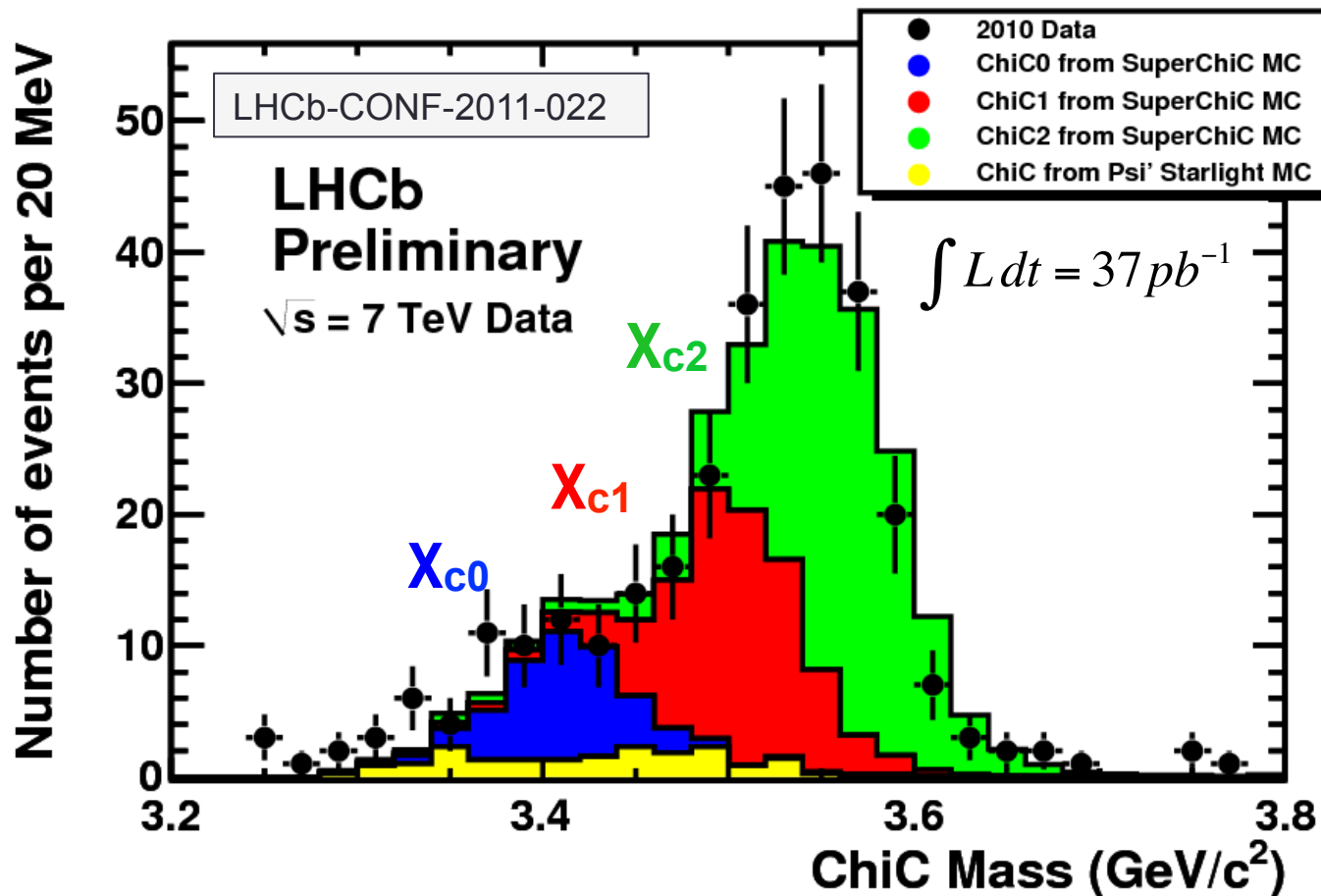
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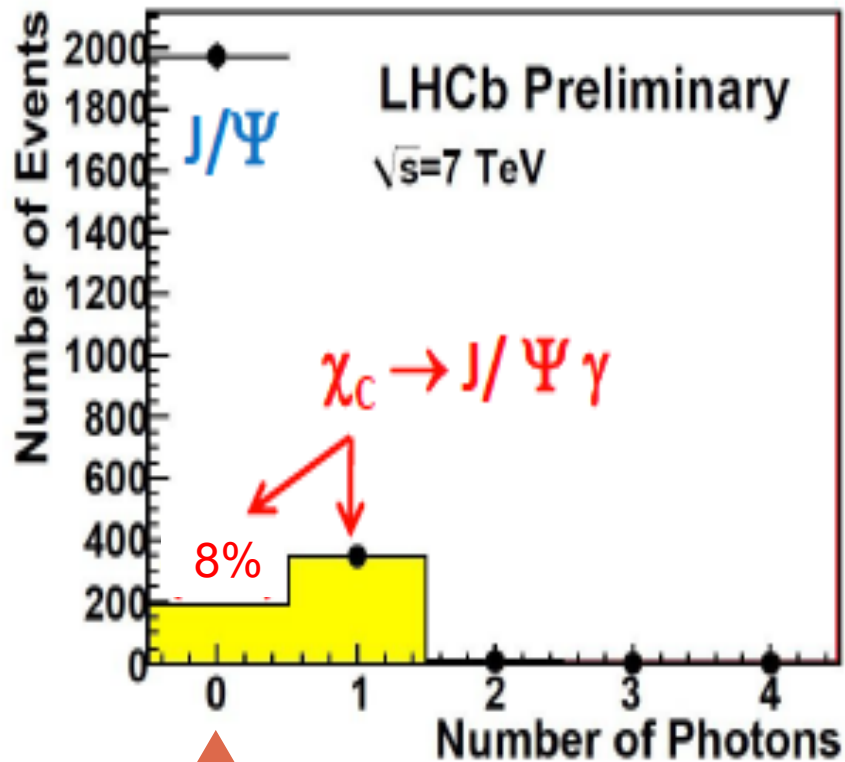
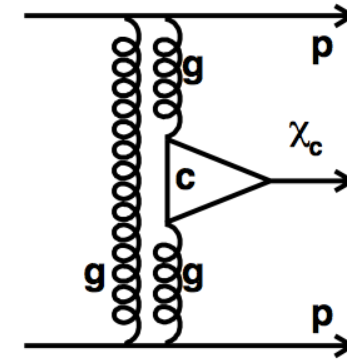
Candidate for X_c decay to $J/\psi + \gamma$



Selected $\chi_{c0,1,2}$ candidates



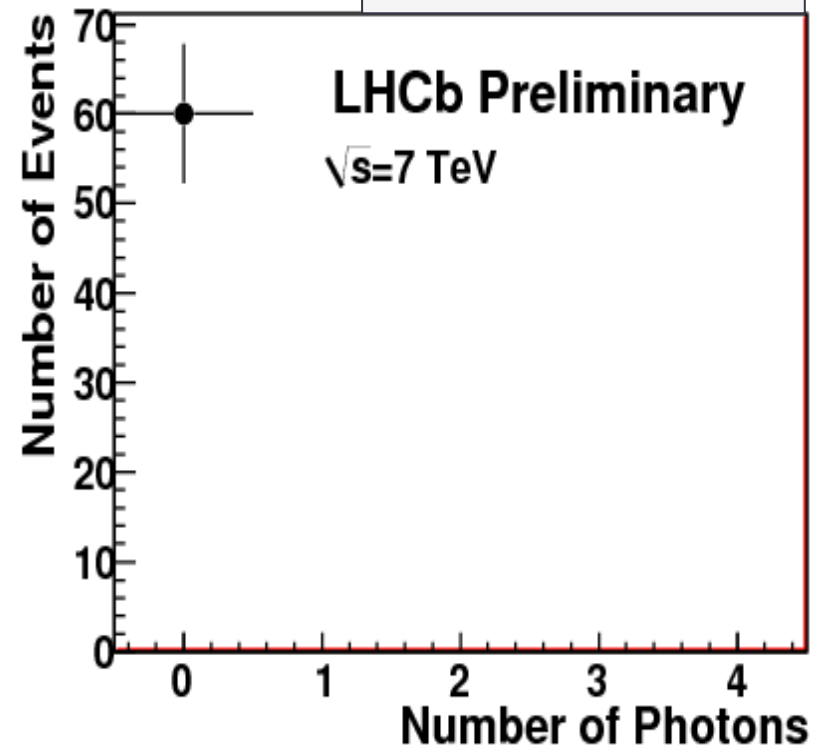
Feed-down background



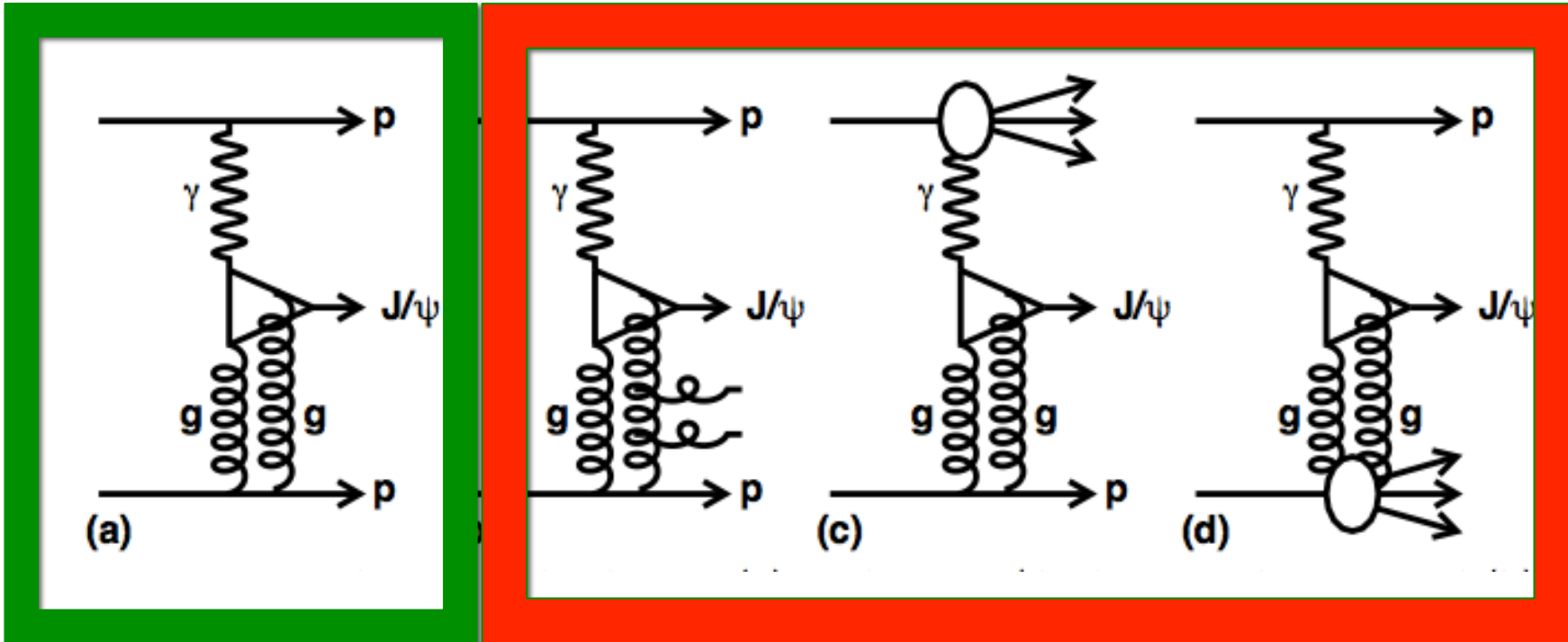
↑
Estimated feeddown

$\psi(2S)$

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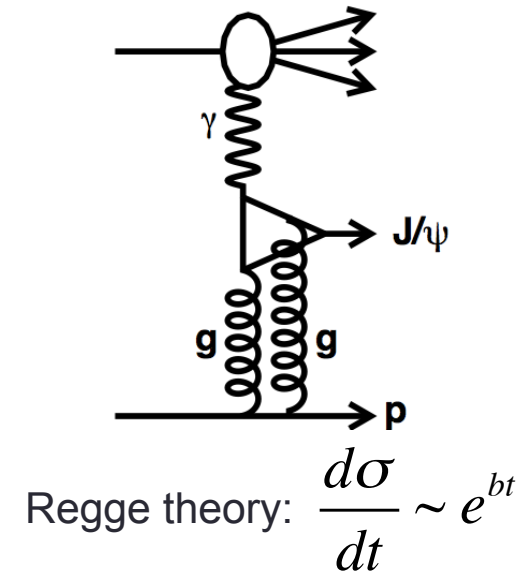
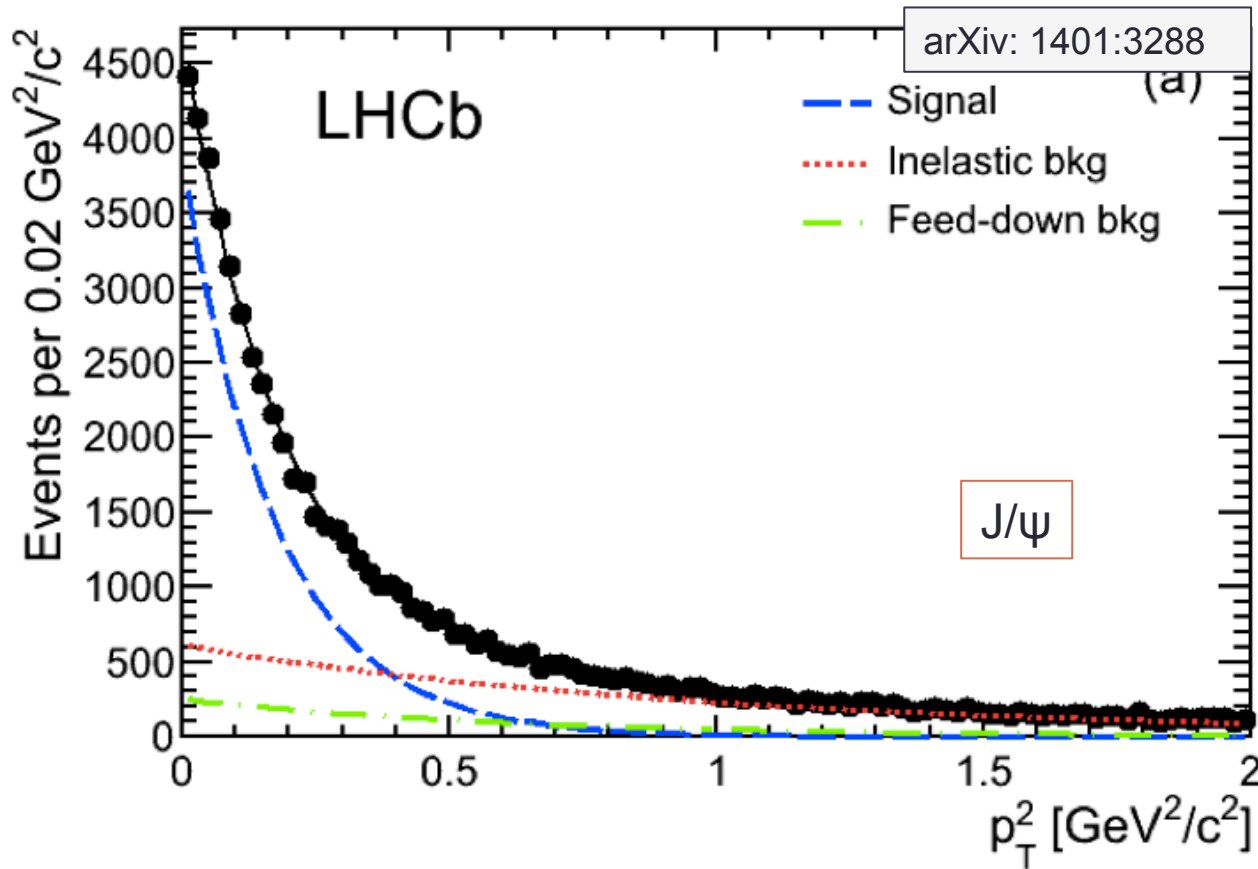
Inelastic background



Signal

Background

Inelastic background J/ψ



HERA measured:

$$b_s = 4.9 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$b_{pd} = 1.1 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

LHCb Expect:

$$b_s \sim 6 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$b_{pd} \sim 1 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

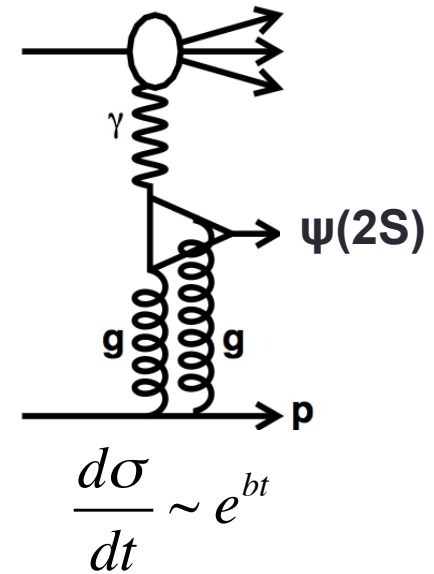
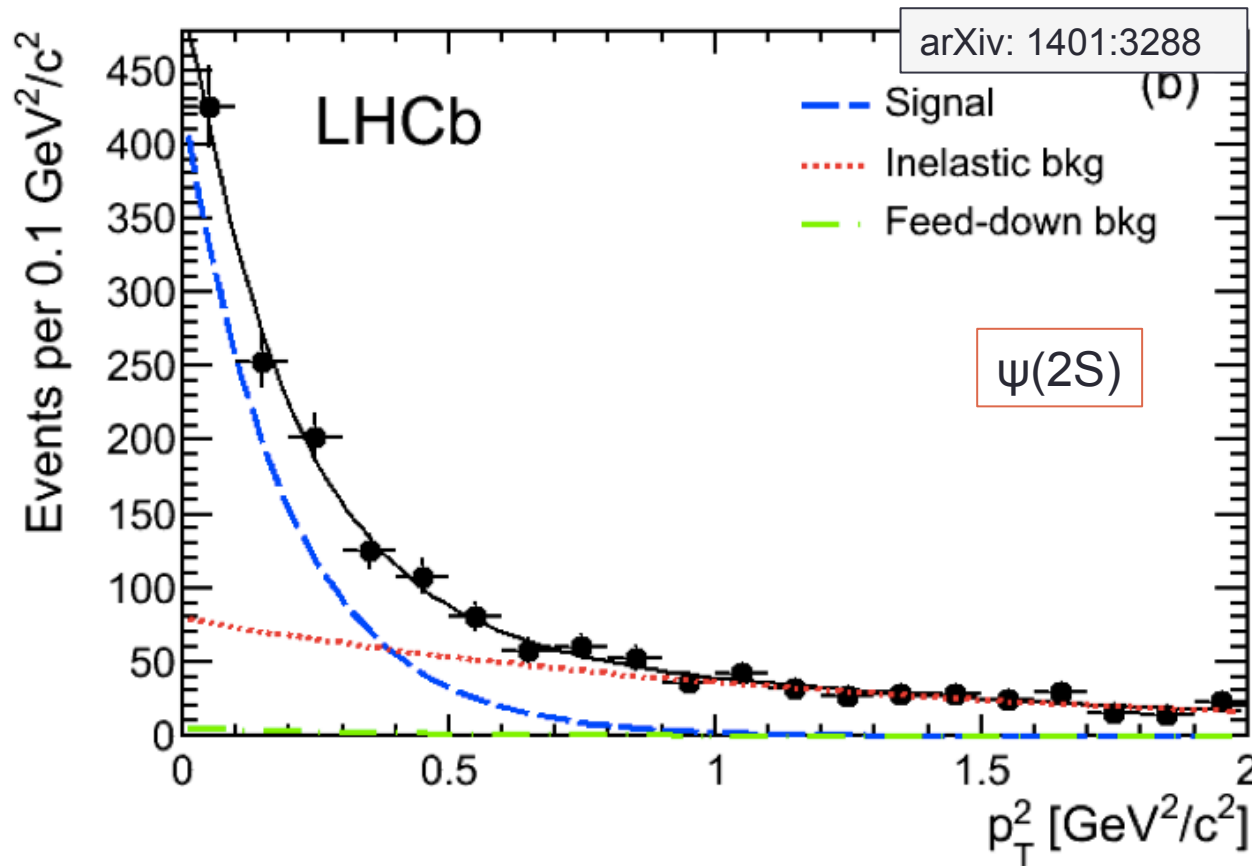
LHCb Fit:

$$b_s = 5.70 \pm 0.11 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$b_{pd} = 0.97 \pm 0.04 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

Systematic: Change signal to $(1 + b_{pd} p_T^2 / n)^{-n}$

Inelastic background $\psi(2S)$



HERA measured:

$$b_s = 4.2 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$b_{pd} = 0.6 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

LHCb Expect:

$$b_s \sim 5.5 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$b_{pd} \sim 0.6 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

LHCb Fit:

$$b_s = 5.1 \pm 0.7 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$b_{pd} = 0.8 \pm 0.2 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

Table 1: Quantities entering the cross-section calculations as a function of meson rapidity.

y range (J/ψ)	[2.00, 2.25]	[2.25, 2.50]	[2.50, 2.75]	[2.75, 3.00]	[3.00, 3.25]
# Events	798	3911	6632	8600	9987
Acceptance	0.467 ± 0.009	0.653 ± 0.013	0.719 ± 0.014	0.718 ± 0.014	0.713 ± 0.014
$\epsilon_{\text{id}}^{\psi} \times \epsilon_{\text{trig}}^{\psi}$	0.71 ± 0.03	0.78 ± 0.02	0.81 ± 0.01	0.84 ± 0.01	0.85 ± 0.01
Purity	$0.592 \pm 0.012 \pm 0.030$				
y range (J/ψ)	[3.25, 3.50]	[3.50, 3.75]	[3.75, 4.00]	[4.00, 4.25]	[4.25, 4.50]
# Events	9877	7907	5181	2496	596
Acceptance	0.739 ± 0.015	0.734 ± 0.015	0.674 ± 0.014	0.566 ± 0.011	0.401 ± 0.008
$\epsilon_{\text{id}}^{\psi} \times \epsilon_{\text{trig}}^{\psi}$	0.87 ± 0.01	0.88 ± 0.01	0.87 ± 0.01	0.83 ± 0.02	0.81 ± 0.03
Purity	$0.592 \pm 0.012 \pm 0.030$				
y range ($\psi(2S)$)	[2.00, 2.25]	[2.25, 2.50]	[2.50, 2.75]	[2.75, 3.00]	[3.00, 3.25]
# Events	31	111	208	1287	268
Acceptance	0.678 ± 0.013	0.800 ± 0.016	0.834 ± 0.017	0.787 ± 0.016	0.755 ± 0.015
$\epsilon_{\text{id}}^{\psi} \times \epsilon_{\text{trig}}^{\psi}$	0.80 ± 0.03	0.83 ± 0.02	0.86 ± 0.01	0.88 ± 0.01	0.88 ± 0.01
Purity ($\psi(2S)$)	$0.52 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.03$				
y range ($\psi(2S)$)	[3.25, 3.50]	[3.50, 3.75]	[3.75, 4.00]	[4.00, 4.25]	[4.25, 4.50]
# Events	282	201	105	61	11
Acceptance	0.748 ± 0.015	0.702 ± 0.014	0.628 ± 0.013	0.524 ± 0.010	0.384 ± 0.008
$\epsilon_{\text{id}}^{\psi} \times \epsilon_{\text{trig}}^{\psi}$	0.90 ± 0.01	0.89 ± 0.01	0.87 ± 0.01	0.84 ± 0.02	0.77 ± 0.03
Purity ($\psi(2S)$)	$0.52 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.03$				
y range (J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$)	[2.00, 4.50]				
ϵ_{sel}	0.87 ± 0.01				
ϵ_{single}	0.241 ± 0.003				
L (pb^{-1})	929 ± 33				

Numbers entering calculation

Results and Discussion

Cross-sections and systematics

Cross-section*BR for both muons in pseudorapidity range $2 < \eta < 4.5$:

y range	[2.00, 2.25]	[2.25, 2.50]	[2.50, 2.75]	[2.75, 3.00]	[3.00, 3.25]
$\frac{d\sigma}{dy} J/\psi$	29.3 ± 1.7	92.5 ± 2.4	137.8 ± 2.4	173.1 ± 2.6	198.0 ± 2.7
$\frac{d\sigma}{dy} \psi(2S)$	0.56 ± 0.11	1.75 ± 0.17	3.06 ± 0.22	4.41 ± 0.26	4.24 ± 0.26

y range	[3.25, 3.50]	[3.50, 3.75]	[3.75, 4.00]	[4.00, 4.25]	[4.25, 4.50]
$\frac{d\sigma}{dy} J/\psi$	187.6 ± 2.6	148.9 ± 2.4	107.4 ± 2.1	65.3 ± 2.0	21.9 ± 1.3
$\frac{d\sigma}{dy} \psi(2S)$	4.51 ± 0.27	3.43 ± 0.25	2.05 ± 0.20	1.47 ± 0.19	0.36 ± 0.11

Correlated uncertainties expressed as a percentage of the final result

ϵ_{sel}	1.4%	
Purity determination (J/ψ)	2.0%	
Purity determination ($\psi(2S)$)	13.0%	← $\psi(2S)$
* ϵ_{single}	1.0%	
*Acceptance	2.0%	
*Shape of the inelastic background	5.0%	← J/ψ
*Luminosity	3.5%	
Total correlated statistical uncertainty (J/ψ)		2.4%
Total correlated statistical uncertainty ($\psi(2S)$)		13.0%
Total correlated systematic uncertainty		6.5%

Comparison to theory

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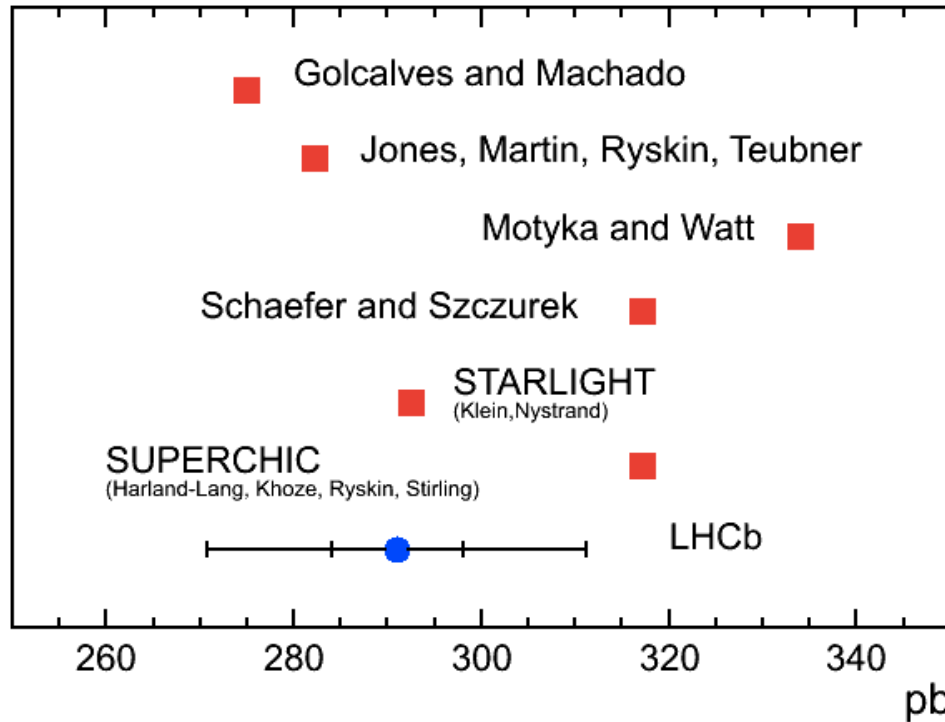
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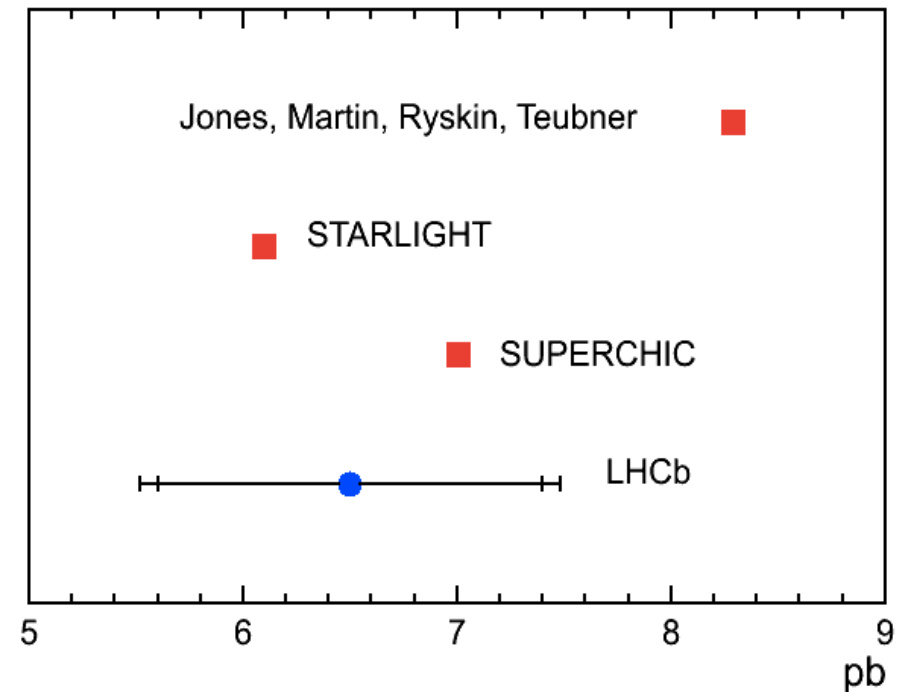
Integrated Cross-sections

Cross-section*BR for both muons in pseudorapidity range $2 < \eta < 4.5$:

J/ψ

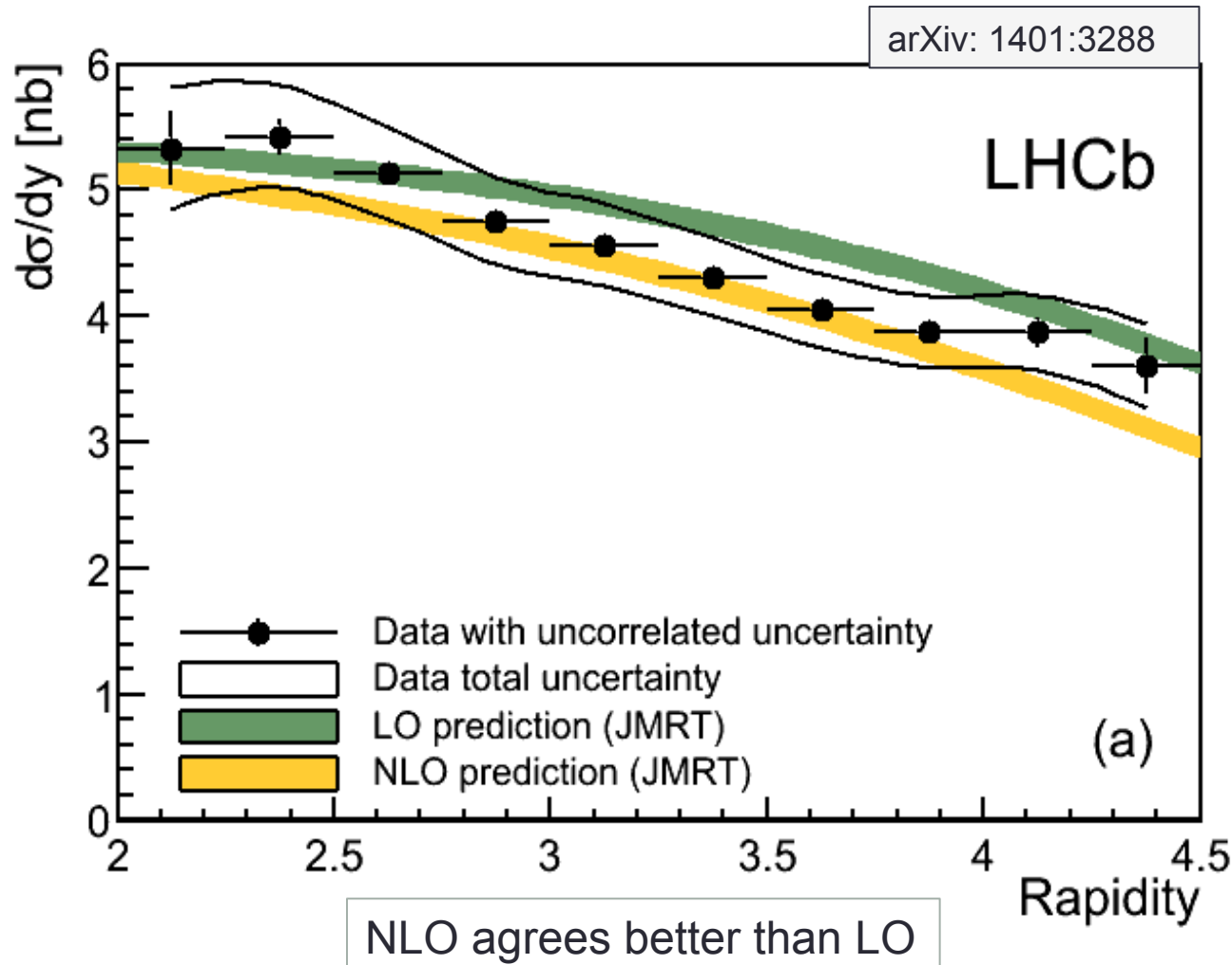


ψ(2S)



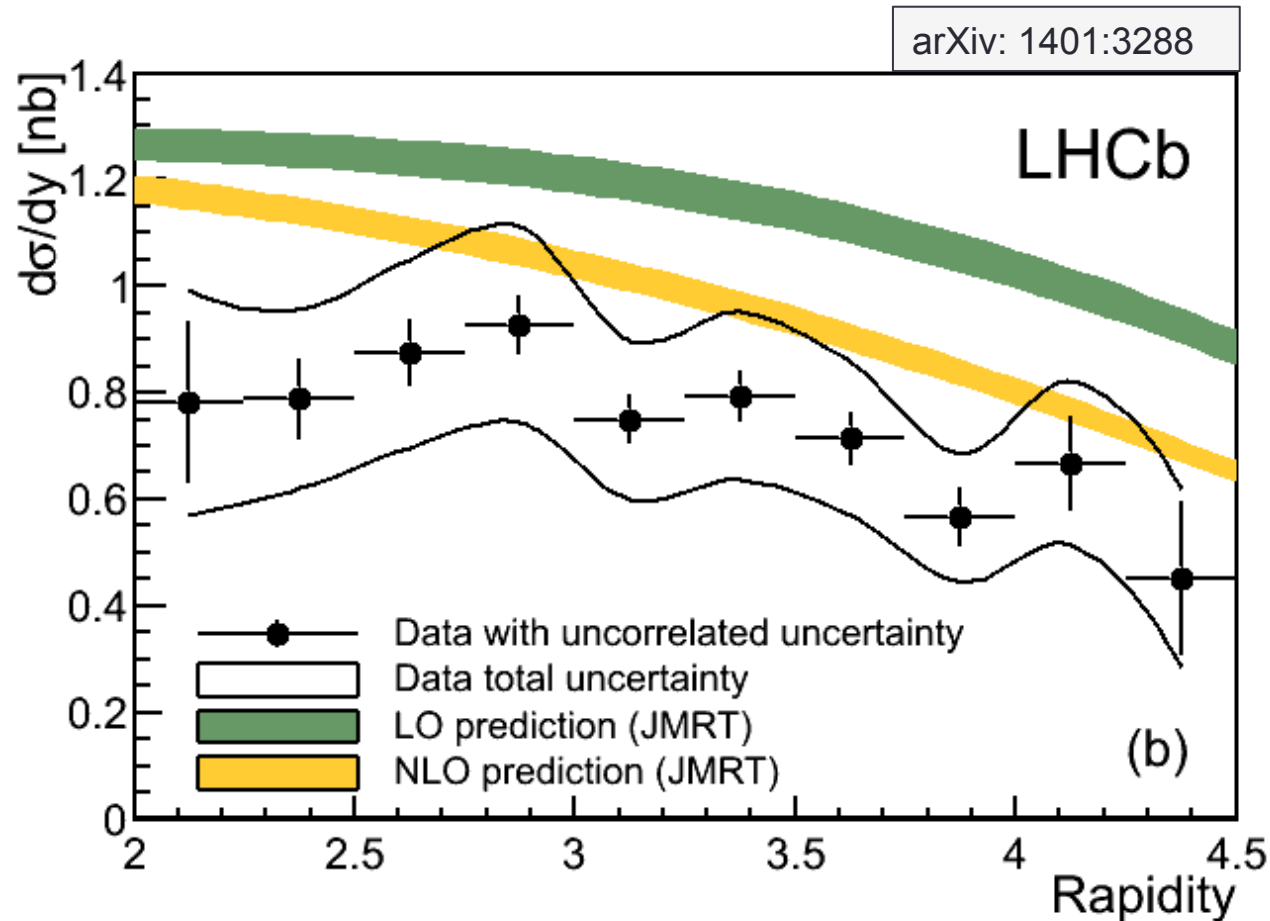
Good agreement with all theory estimates

Differential cross-sections J/ψ

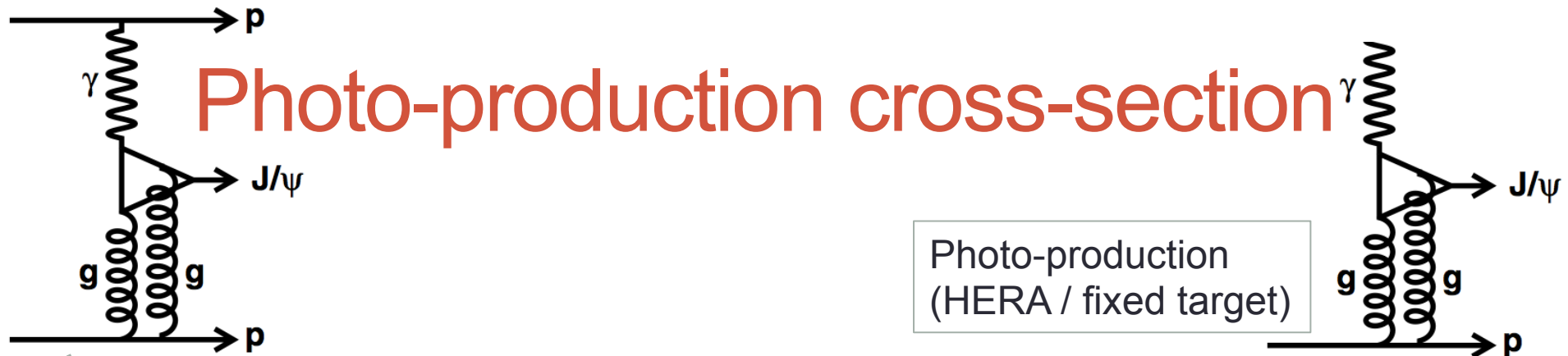


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Differential cross-sections $\psi(2S)$



NLO agrees better than LO



LHCb measure

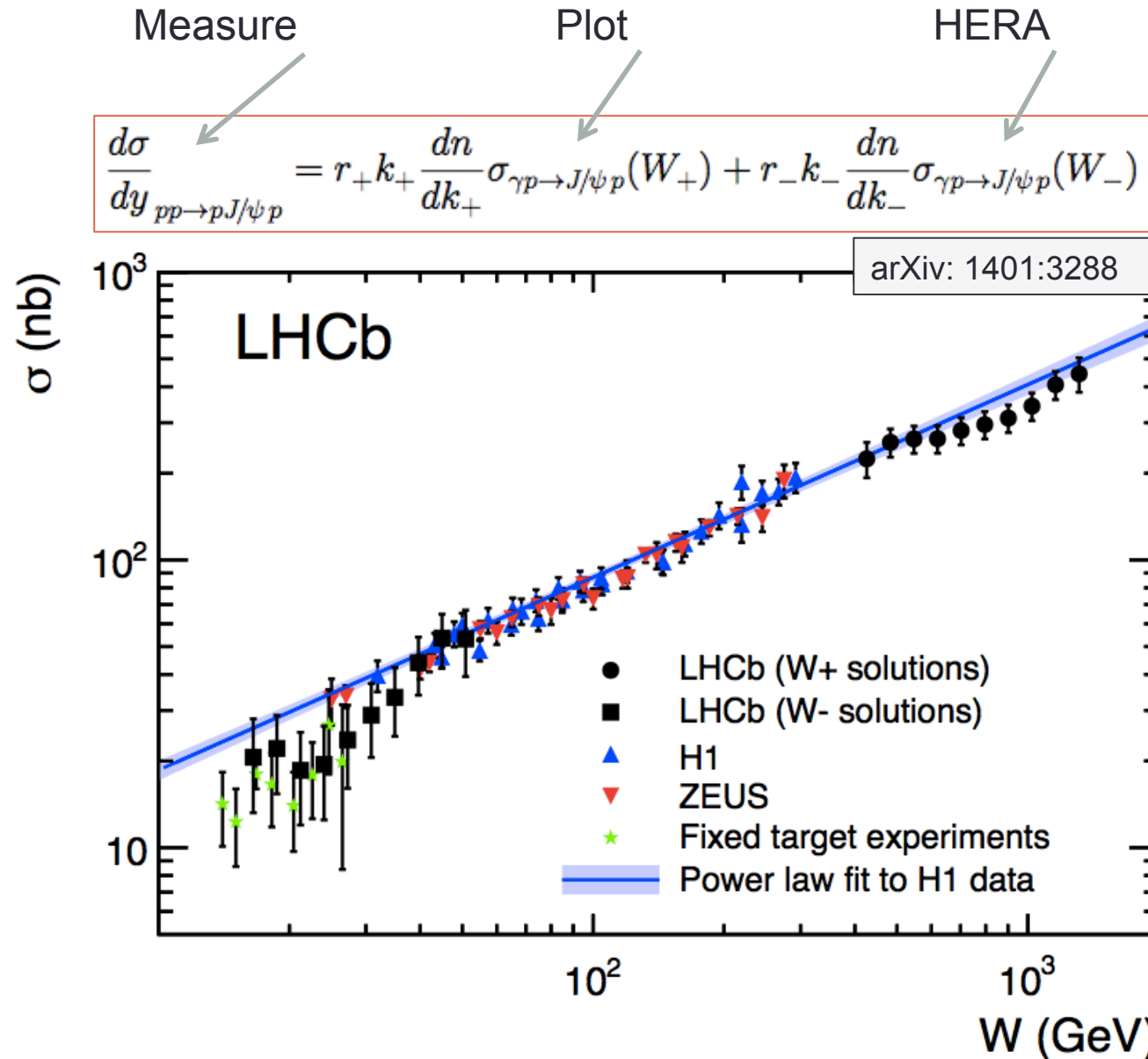
Photo-production
(HERA / fixed target)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy}_{pp \rightarrow pJ/\psi p} = r_+ k_+ \frac{dn}{dk_+} \sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(W_+) + r_- k_- \frac{dn}{dk_-} \sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(W_-)$$

Gap
SurvivalPhoton
Flux

HERA measured power-law: $\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(W) = 81(W/90 \text{ GeV})^{0.67} \text{ nb}$
 Use this for one cross-section on RHS – LHCb measure the other solution

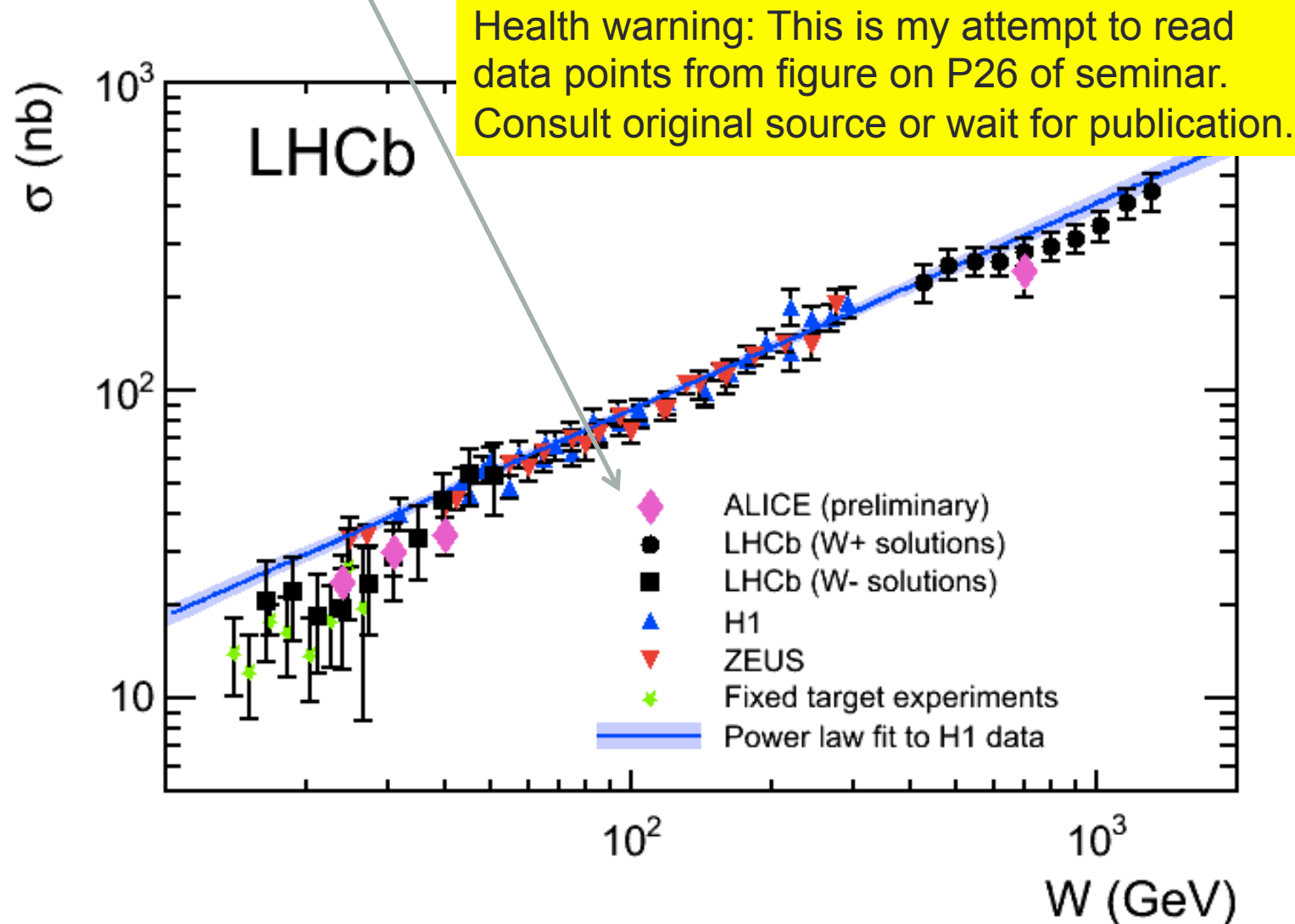
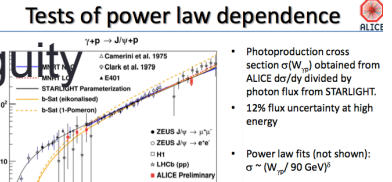
Photo-production cross-section



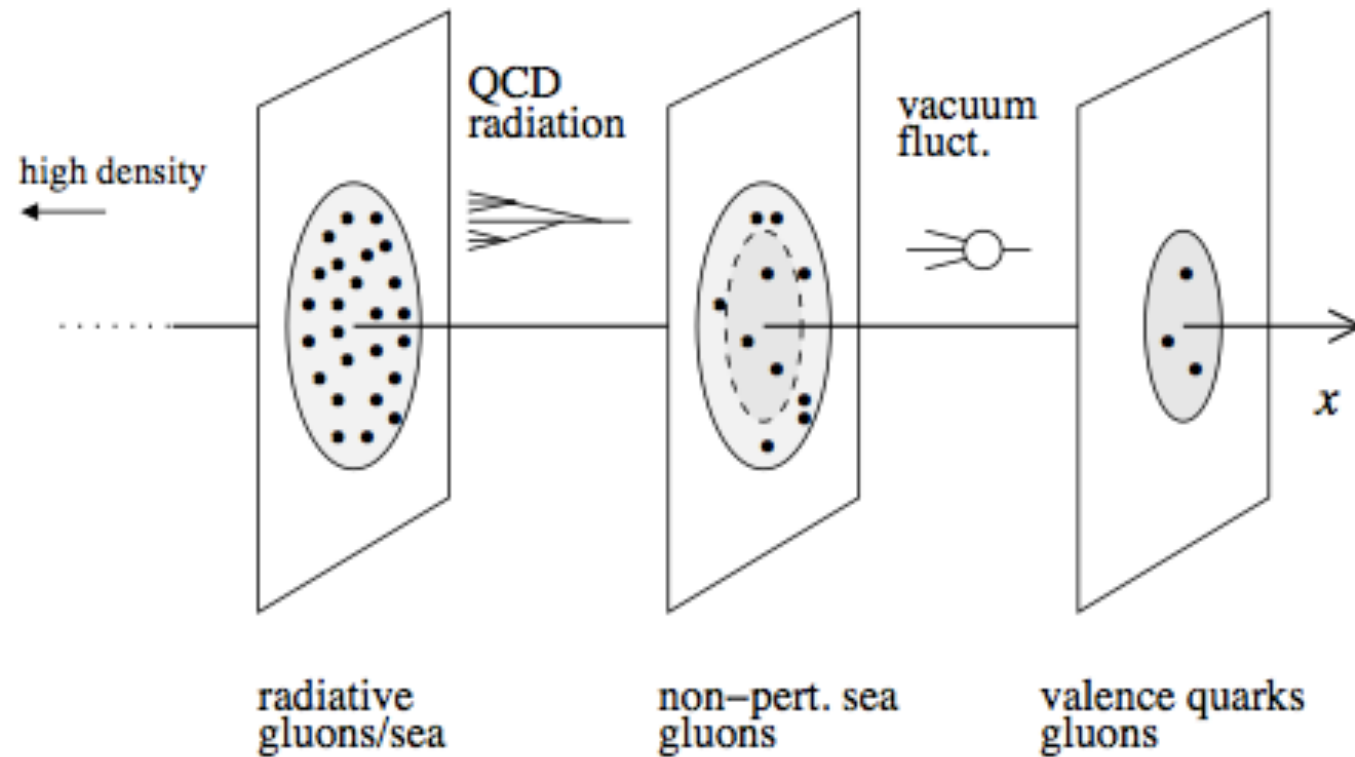
Deviation from pure power-law. i.e. NLO required or only power-law for $W > W_0$

Photo-production cross-section

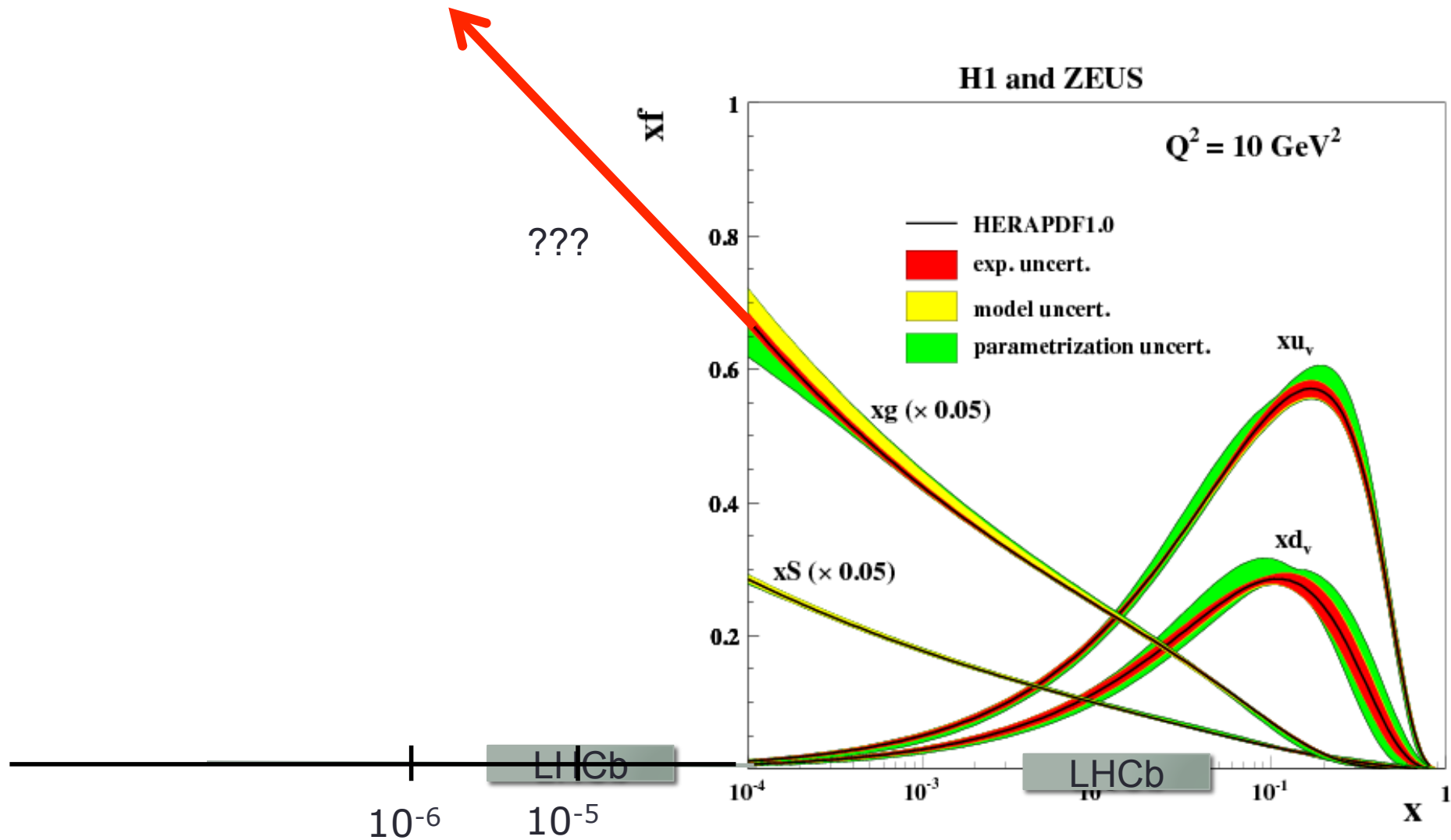
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See: Evgeny Kryshen, LHC seminar, 17.12.2013.



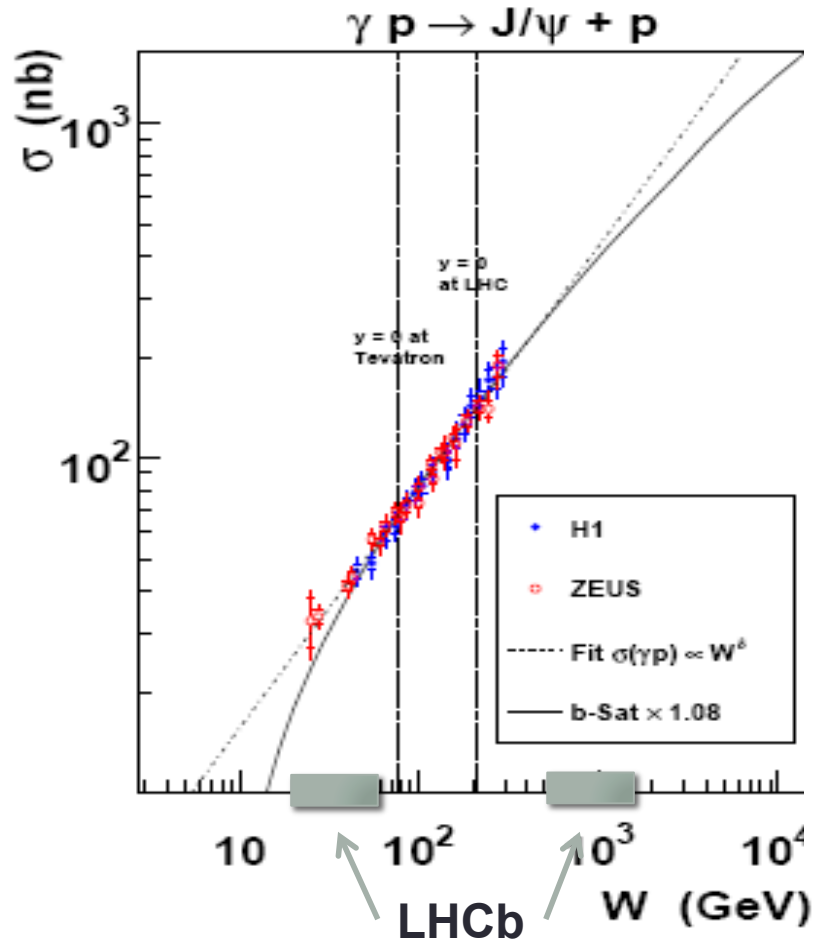
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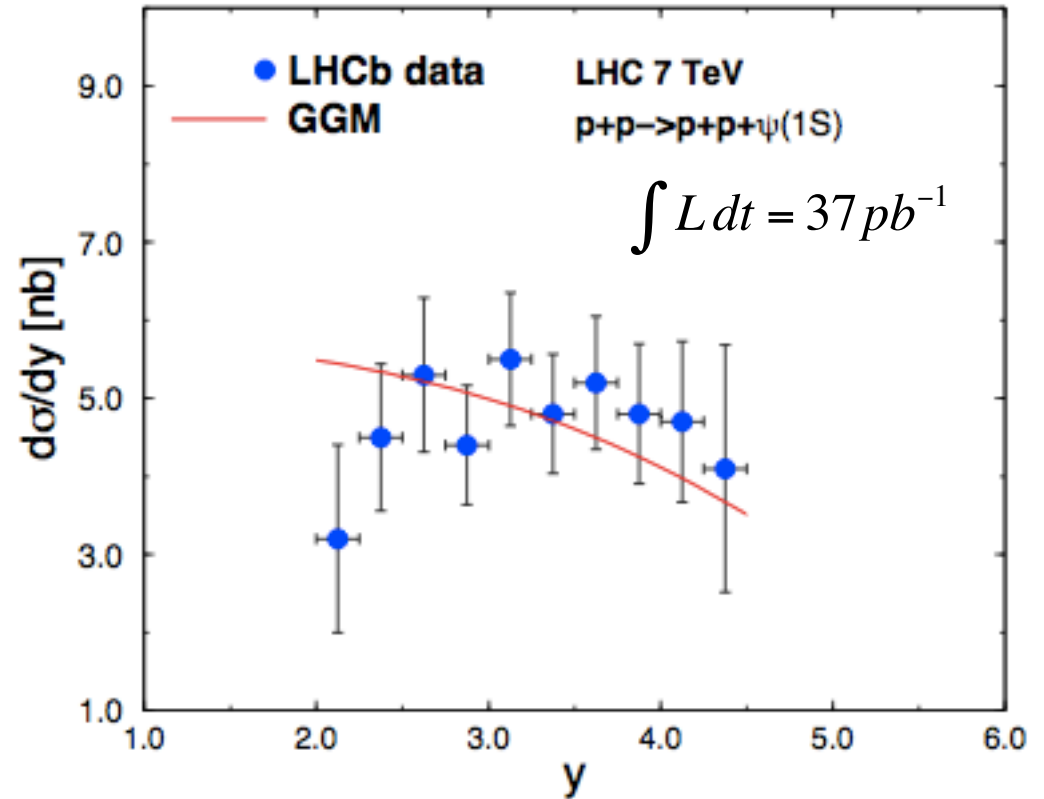
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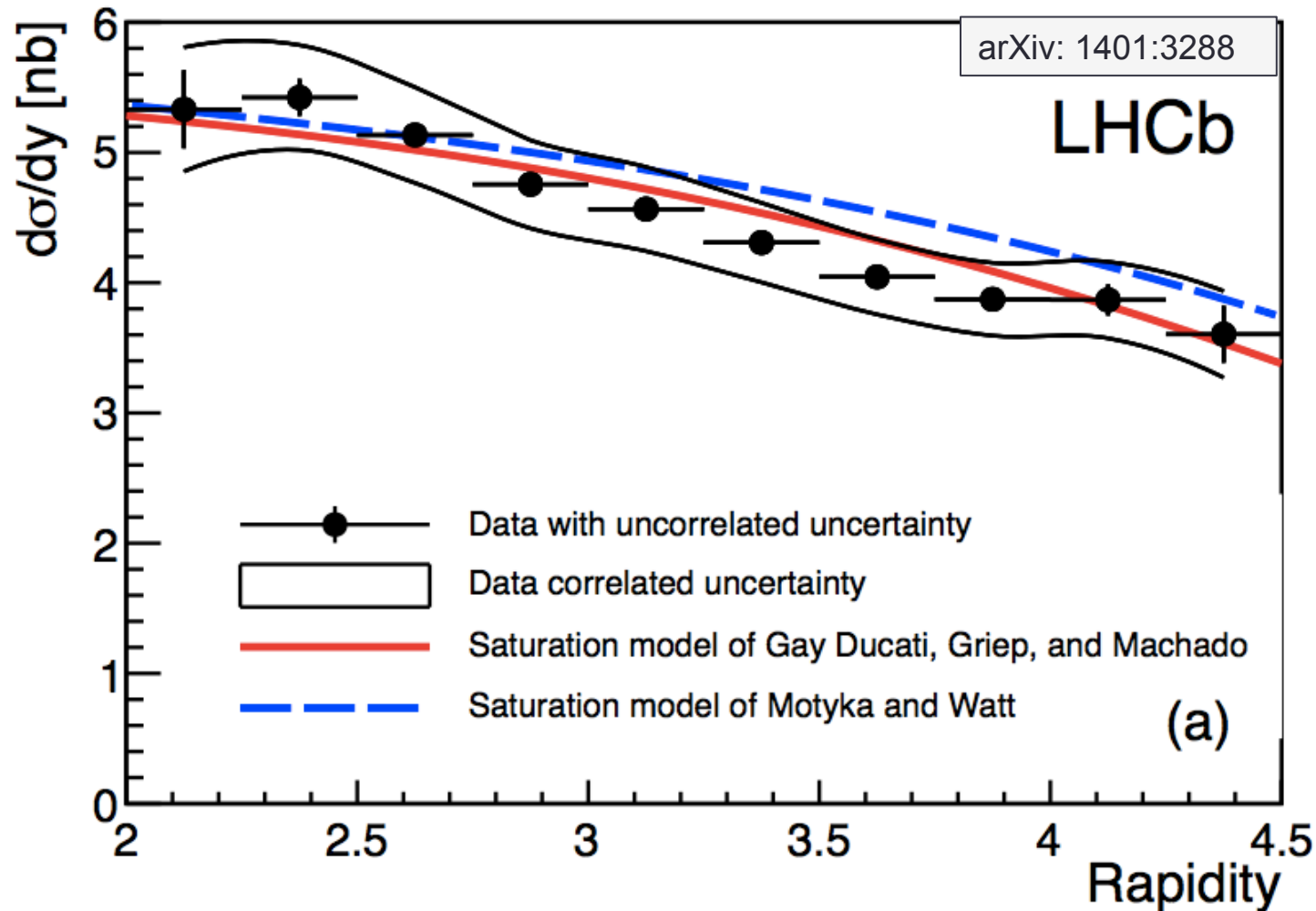


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Gay Ducati et al., arXiv: 1305.4611

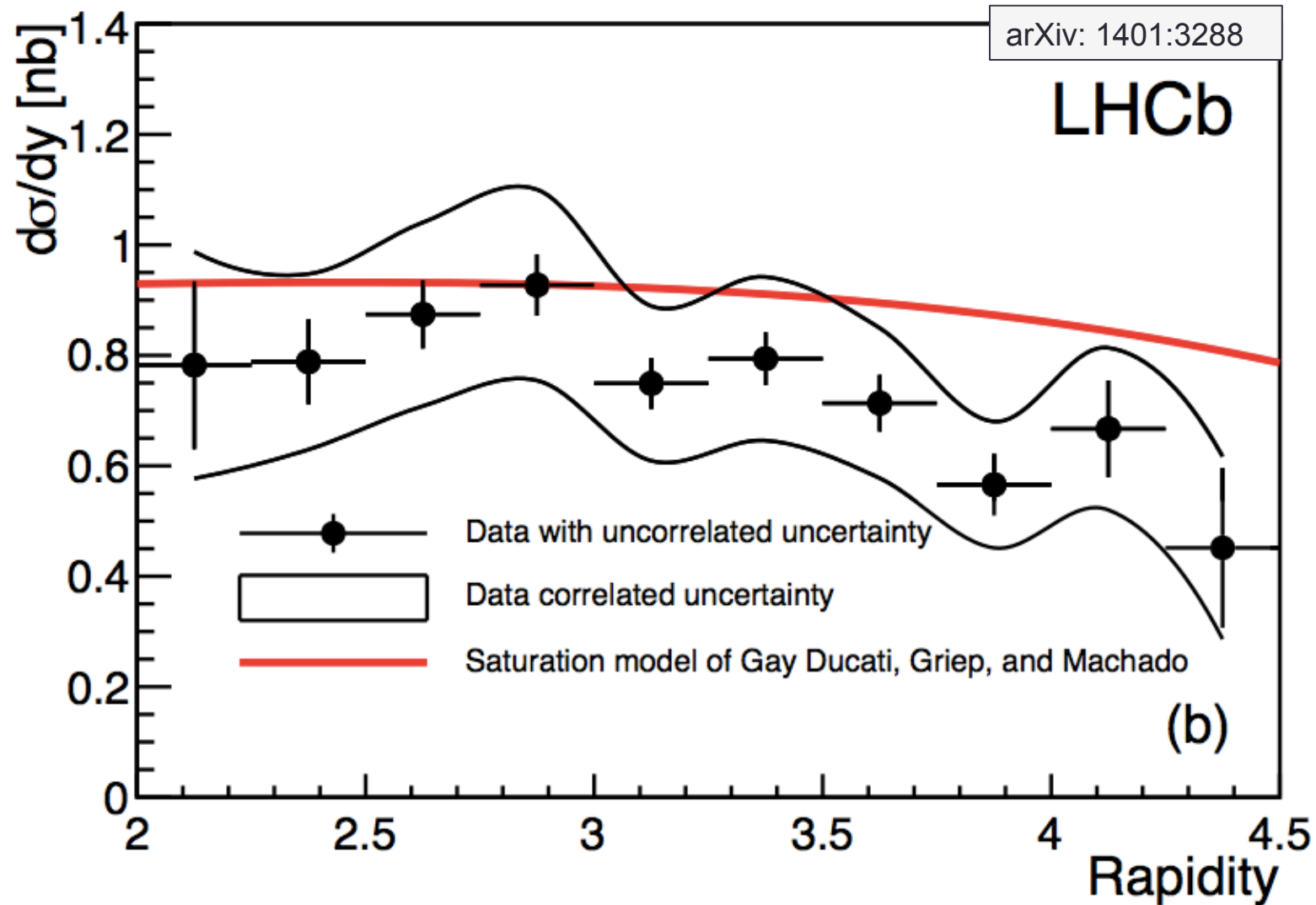
Sensitivity to saturation effects: J/ψ



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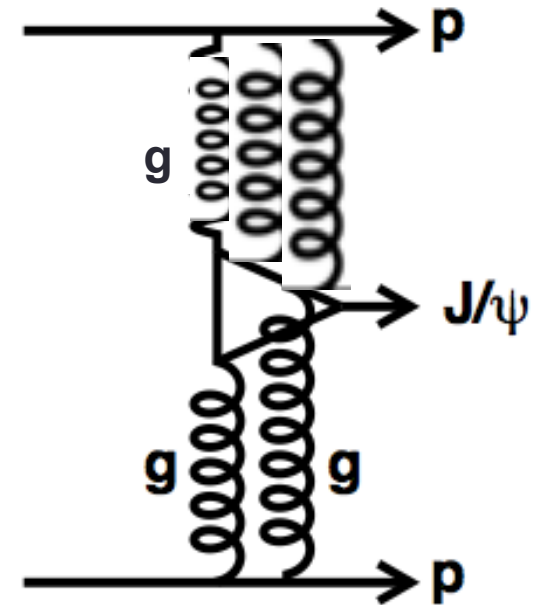
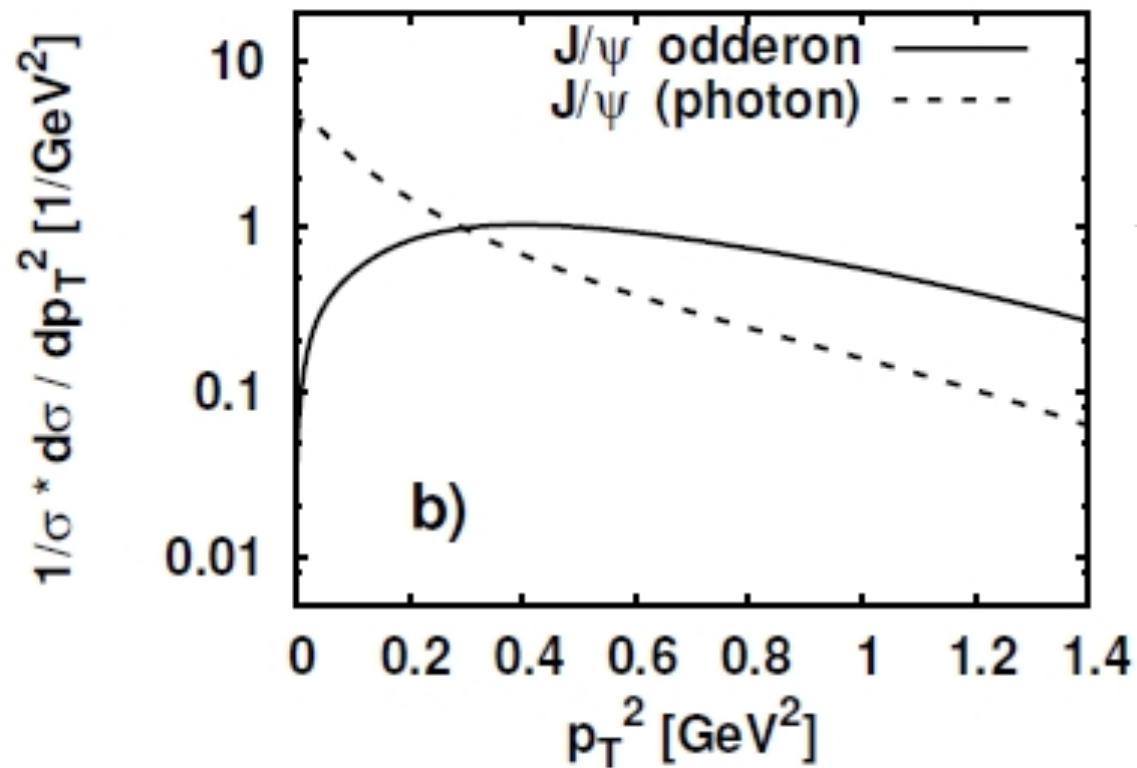
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Sensitivity to saturation effects: $\psi(2S)$



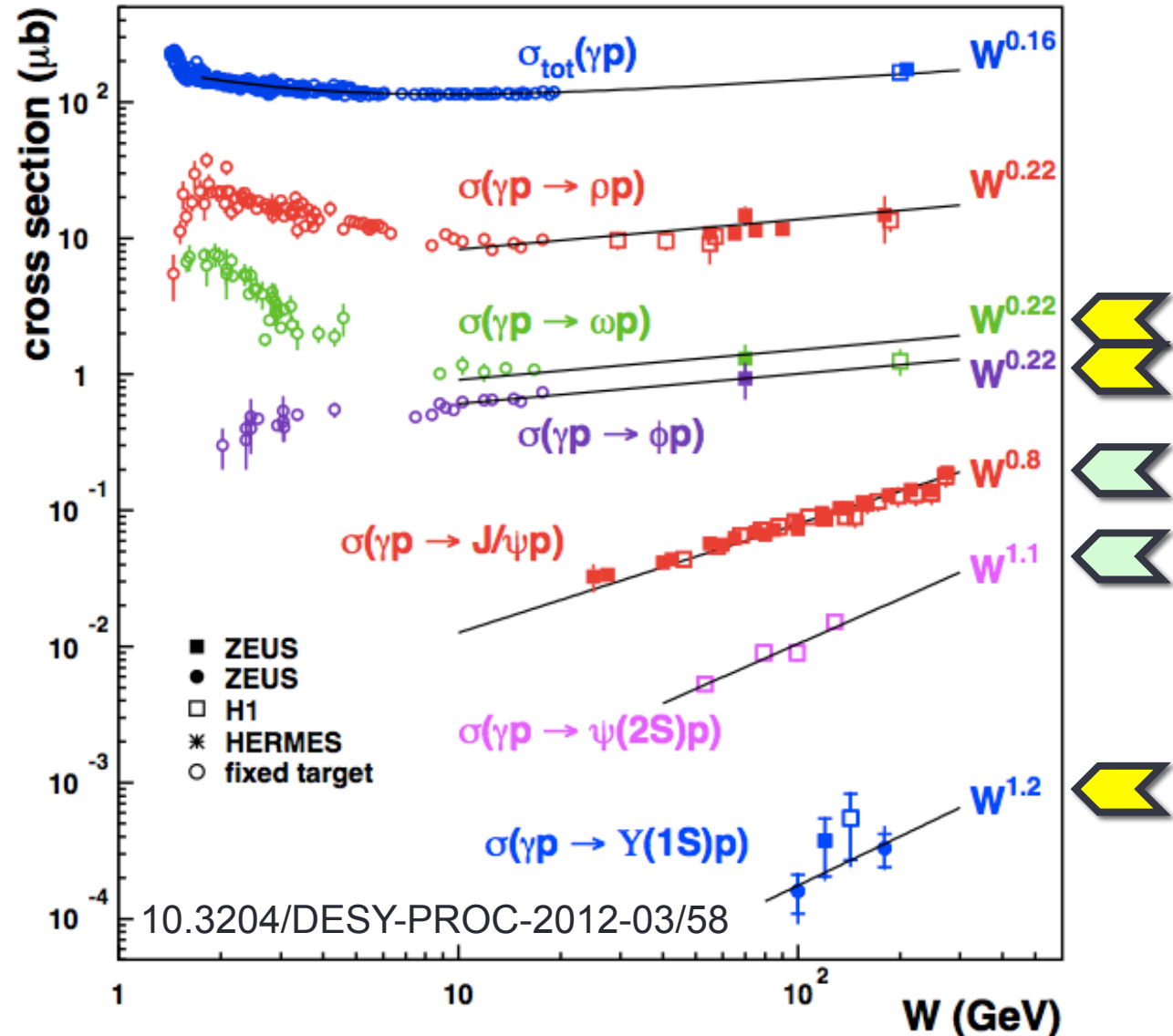
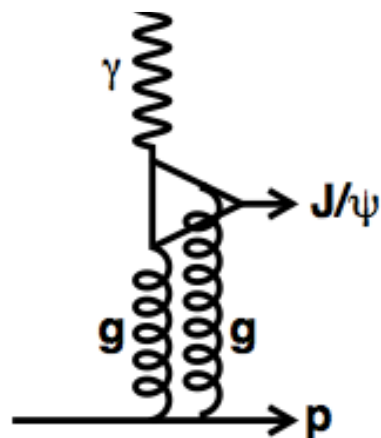
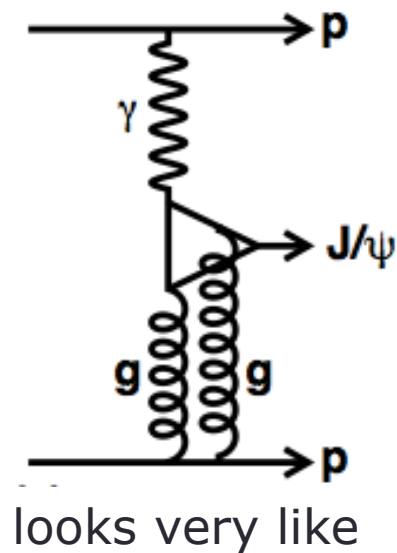
Search for odderon

- Motyka, DIS 2008.

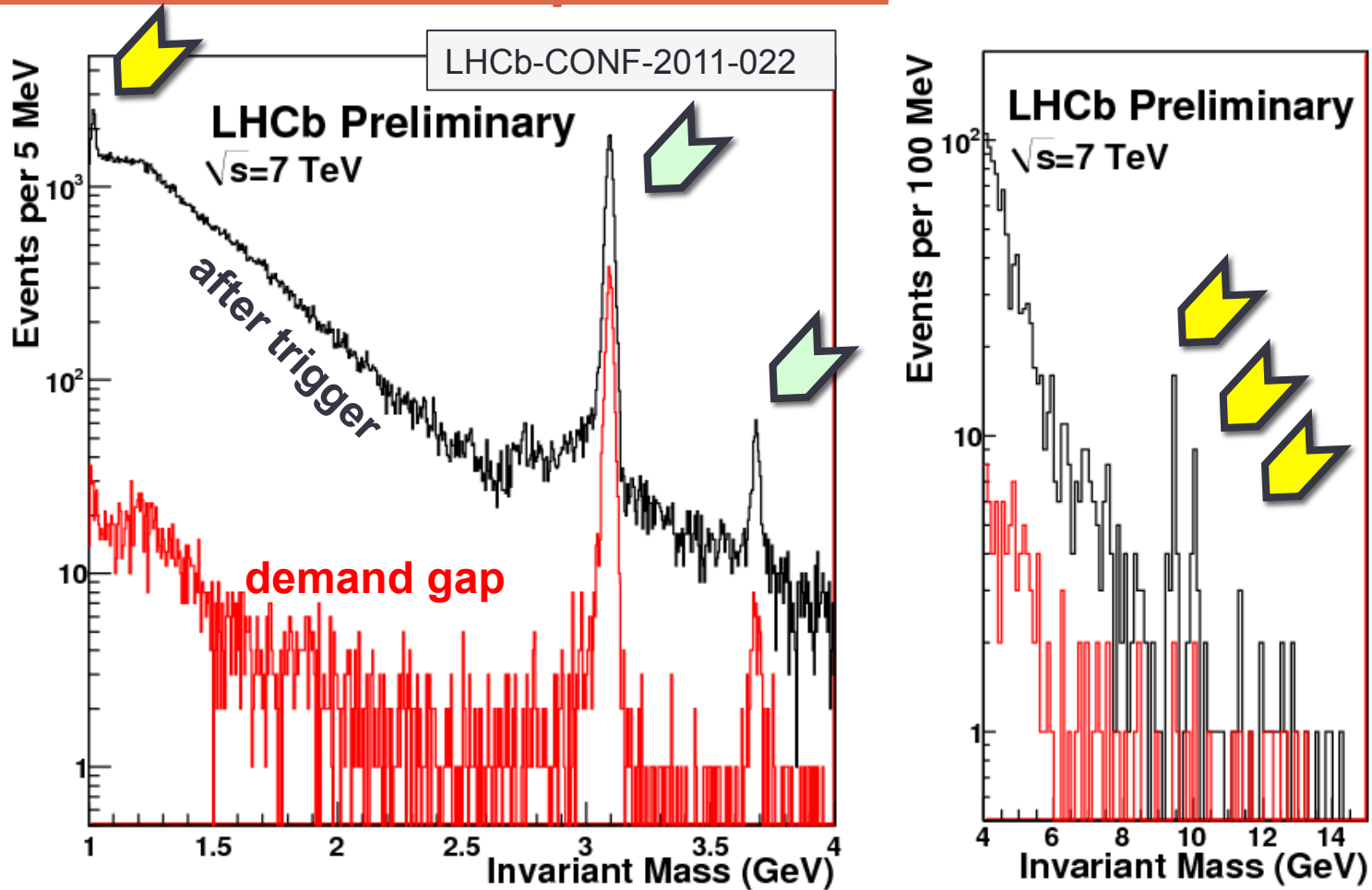


Future Prospects

Investigate other vector mesons



Dimuon Mass Spectrum

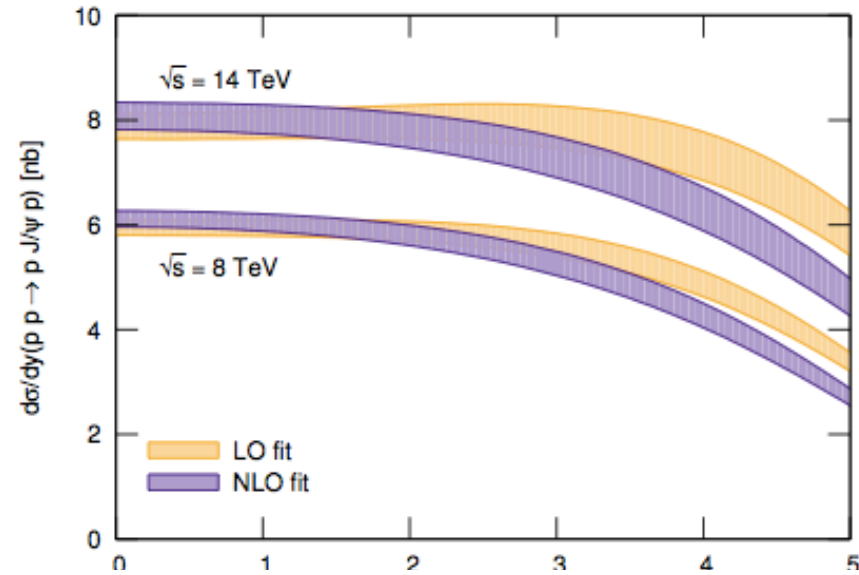
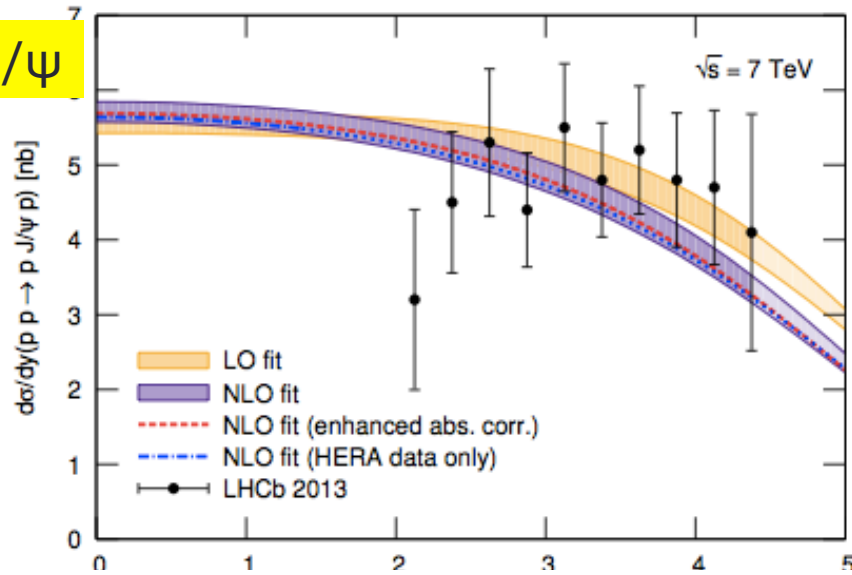


Factor ~ *100 data now available with 2011+2012 ($\sim 3\text{fb}^{-1}$)

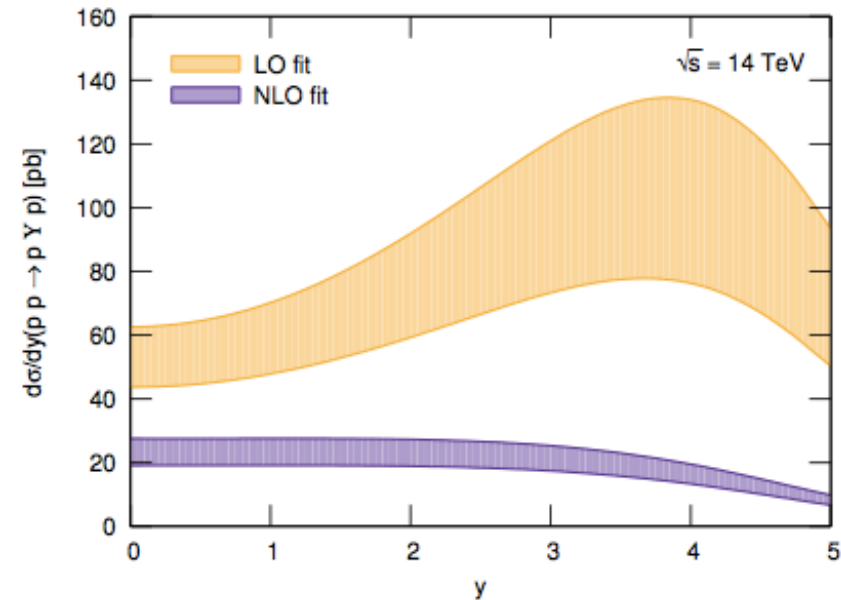
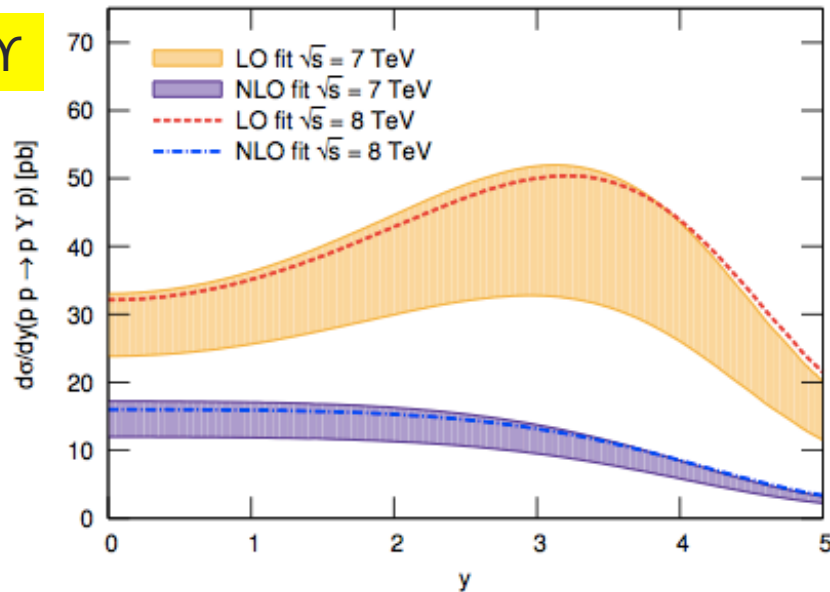
Predictions (arXiv: 1307.7099)

(Jones, Martin, Ryskin, Teubner)

J/ψ

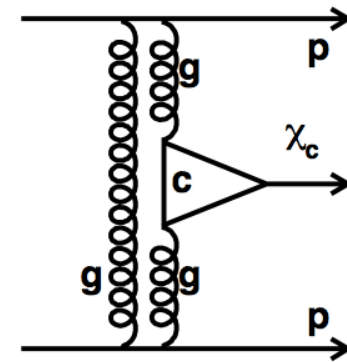


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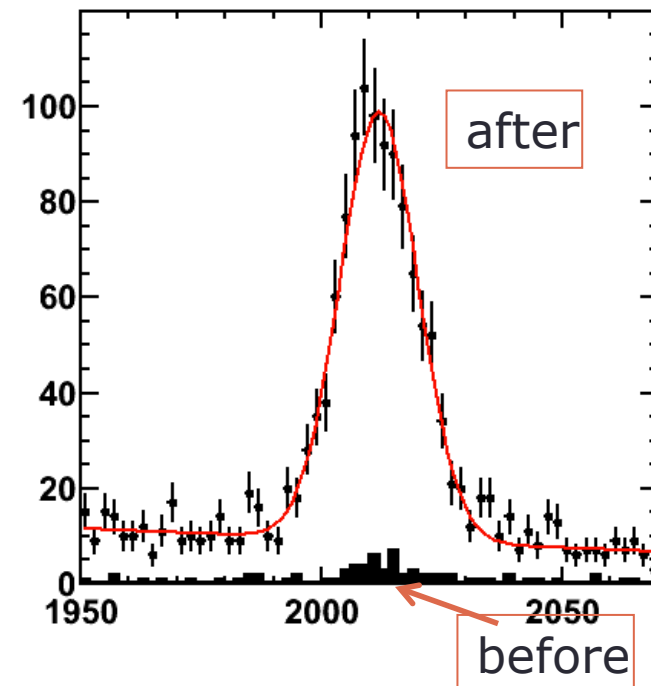


χ_c meson

- Observation in $J/\psi + \gamma$ suffers
 - Large proton-dissociation background
 - Poor resolution to distinguish χ_{c0} χ_{c1} χ_{c2}
- To see χ_{c0} , choose more favourable decay:
 - $\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \pi\pi / KK \sim 1\%$ while $\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \pi\pi / KK \sim 0.1\%$
 - Backgrounds ok? (arXiv: 1105.1626)
- New low pt trigger for 2012 to access hadronic modes

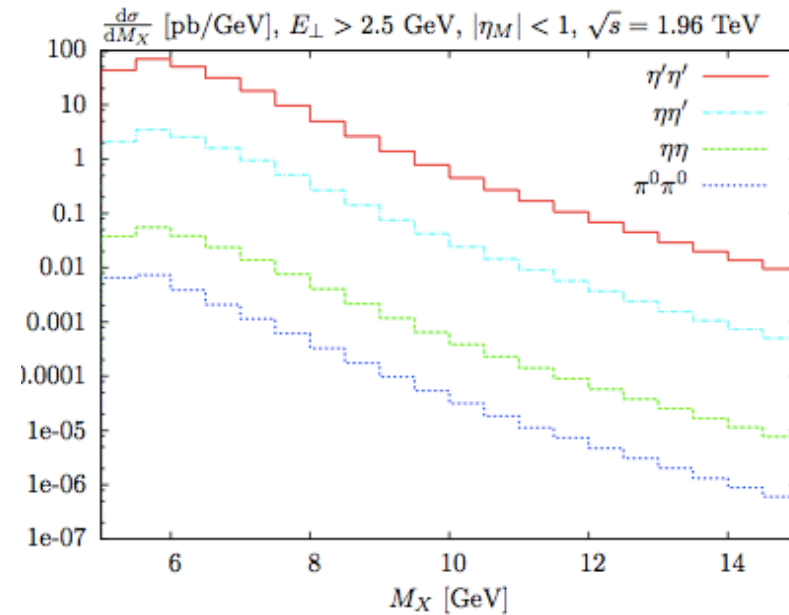
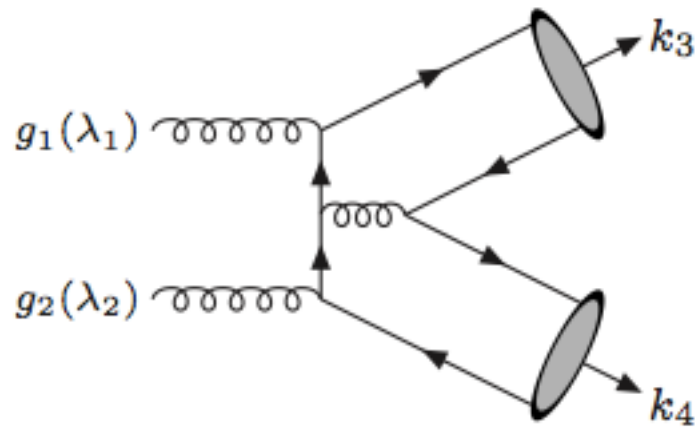


Example of $D^{*-} \rightarrow K\pi\pi$ reconstruction in low multiplicity events

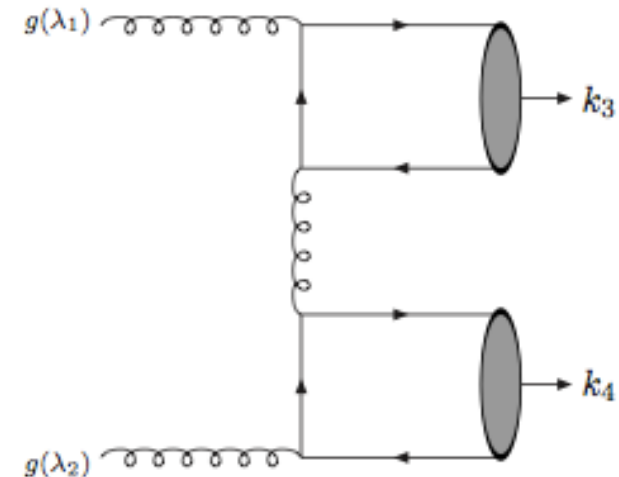


(Harland-Lang, Khoze, Ryskin, Stirling)

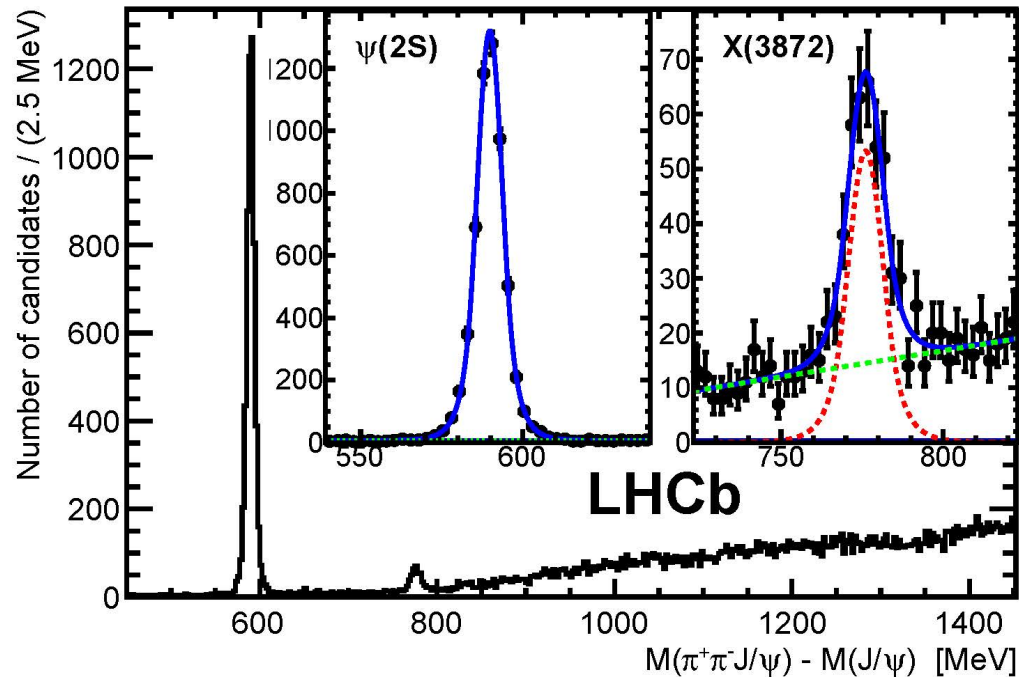
CEP meson-meson production [arXiv:1105.1626](https://arxiv.org/abs/1105.1626)



- Vanishing cs when gluons in $J_Z=0$
- Flavour non-singlet mesons suppressed (thus $\pi\pi/KK$ small)
- Flavour singlet (e.g. $\eta'\eta'$ production) can proceed via



X(3872)

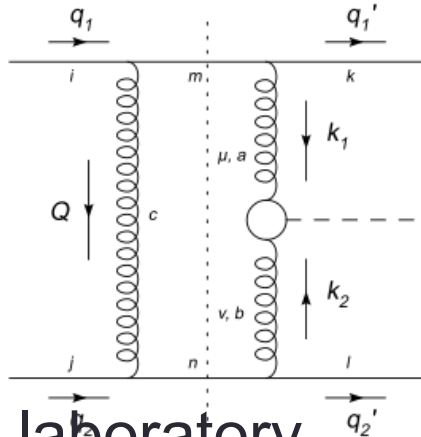


←
 X(3872) observed
 inclusively.
 (arXiv:1112.5310)
 Could it be produced
 exclusively?

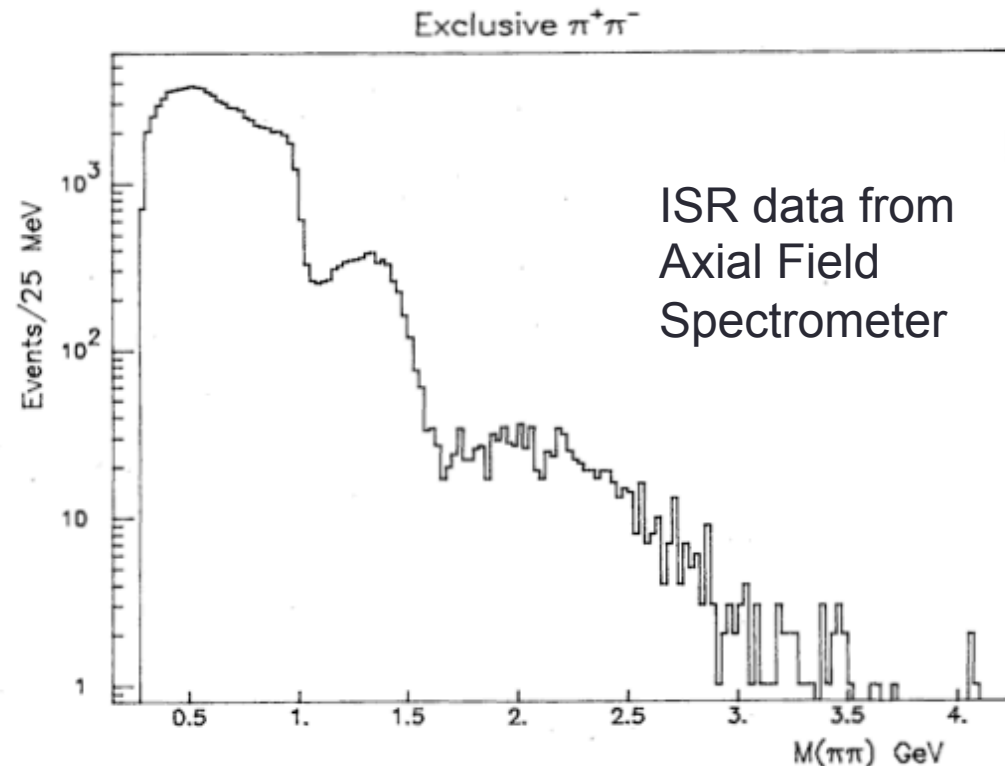
- J^{PC} of X(3872) shown by LHCb to be 1^{++} (arXiv:1302.6269)
- $X_{c(1^{++})}$ has been observed 'exclusively' ?
- If X(3872) is a bound cc state, might expect to observe it in central exclusive production

Low mass spectroscopy + glueballs

- Data from ISR/Tevatron
- Accessible at LHCb
- DPE, probing the nature of the vacuum



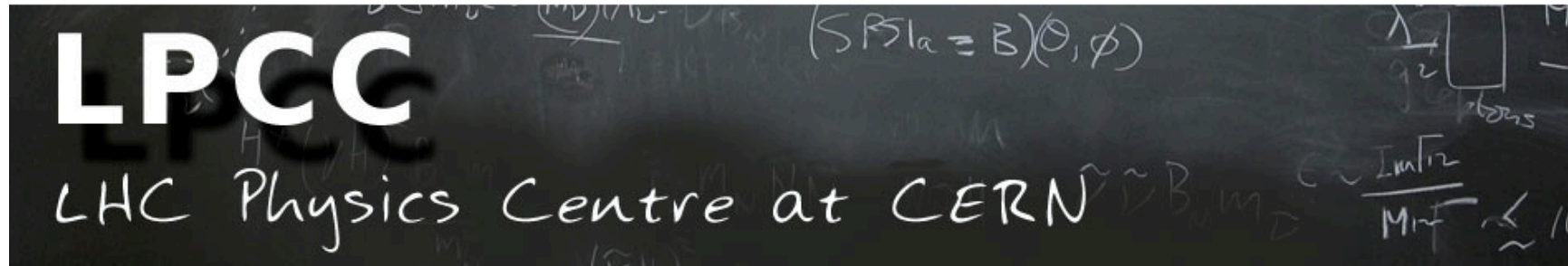
- Glue laboratory



M.G. Albrow, T.D. Coughlin, and J.R. Forshaw, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. **65**, 149 (2010). arXiv: 1006.1289

- [101] T. Akesson, et al., A search for glueballs and a study of double pomeron exchange at the CERN Intersecting Storage Rings, Nucl. Phys. B264 (1986) 154.

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- definition of a common strategy between the different LHC experiments (special runs...)
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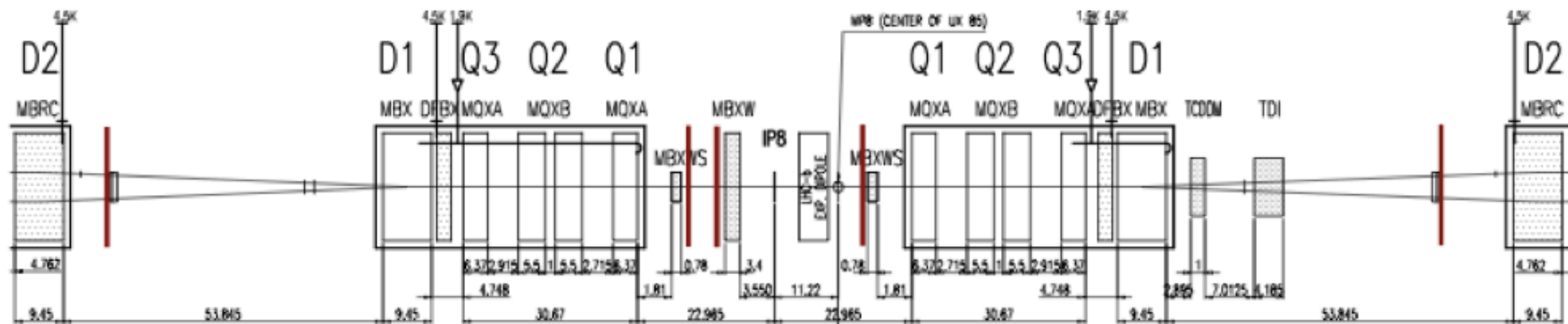
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High rapidity shower counters for LHCb

- Increase rapidity gap with scintillators in forward region
- Use existing electronics

LHC-b



Left

1. $z \sim -7.5$ m (after MBXW)
2. $z \sim -19$ m (before MBXWS)
3. $z \sim -114$ m (after BRANS)

Right

1. $z \sim 19$ m (close to MBXWS)
2. $z \sim 114$ m (after BRANS)

First simulations suggest veto region for charged and neutral particles can be extended to include $5 < |\eta| < 8$ - an extra 6 units in pseudorapidity.

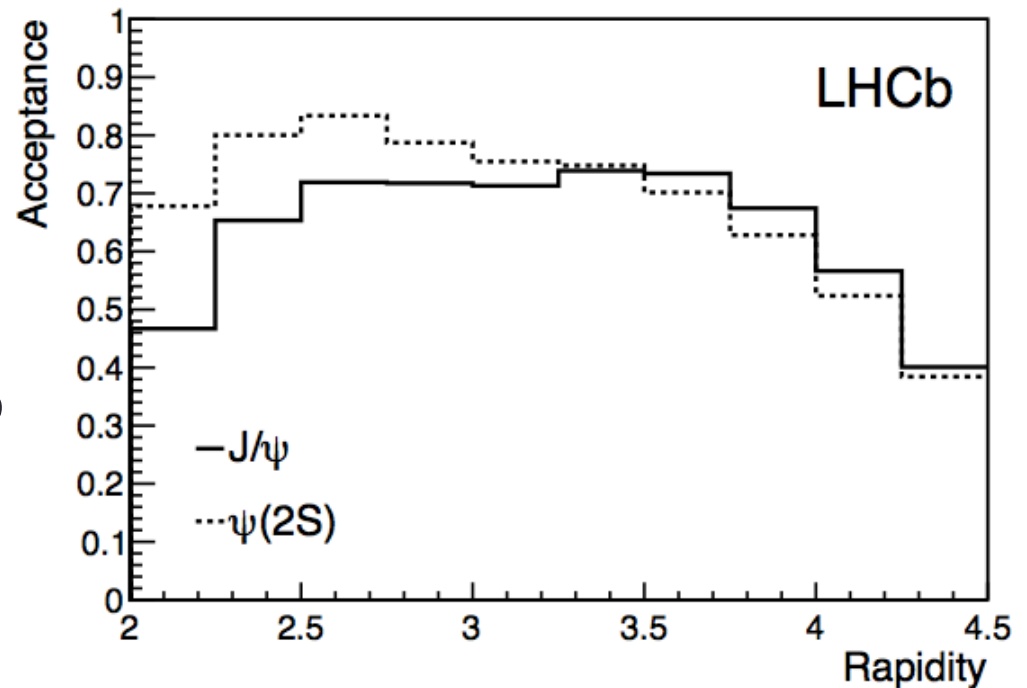
Summary

- Broad range of excellent physics measurements possible through central exclusive production:
 - Testing ground for QCD
 - Understanding the vacuum
 - Glueballs, saturation and other exotic phenomena
- Programme on LHCb underway: first observation of exclusive J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ in proton-proton collisions:
 - Production compatible with NLO or saturation models
 - Consistent picture in understanding photoproduction coming from many experiments
- Limiting feature of LHCb is our rapidity gap veto capability; addressed in forthcoming run.
- We look forward to many more exclusive results.

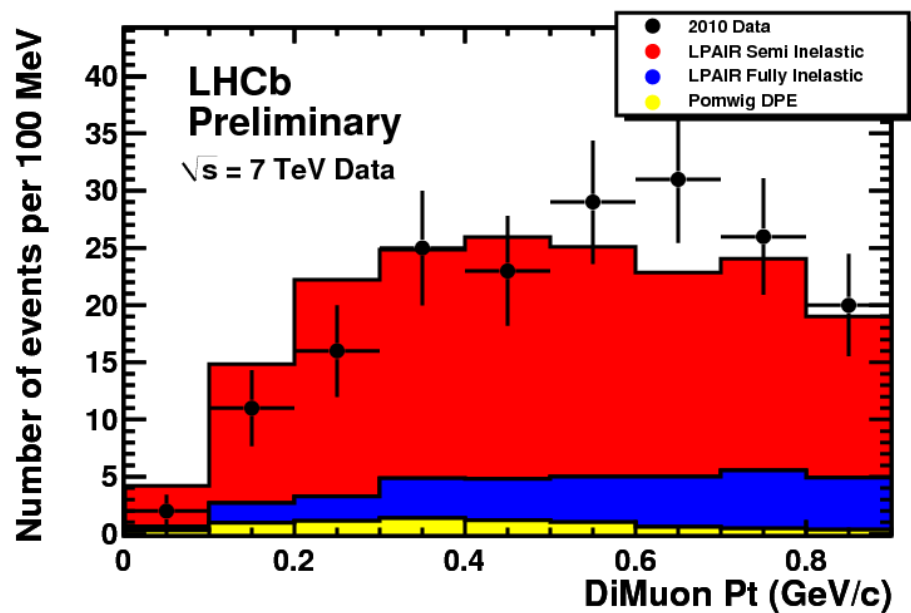
Backups

Acceptance and Selection

- Require tracks within muon chamber acceptance
- Precisely two reconstructed muons
- No other activity
 - No other tracks with VELO info
 - No photons
- Mass within 65 MeV of known meson mass
- $p_T^2 < 0.8 \text{ GeV}^2$

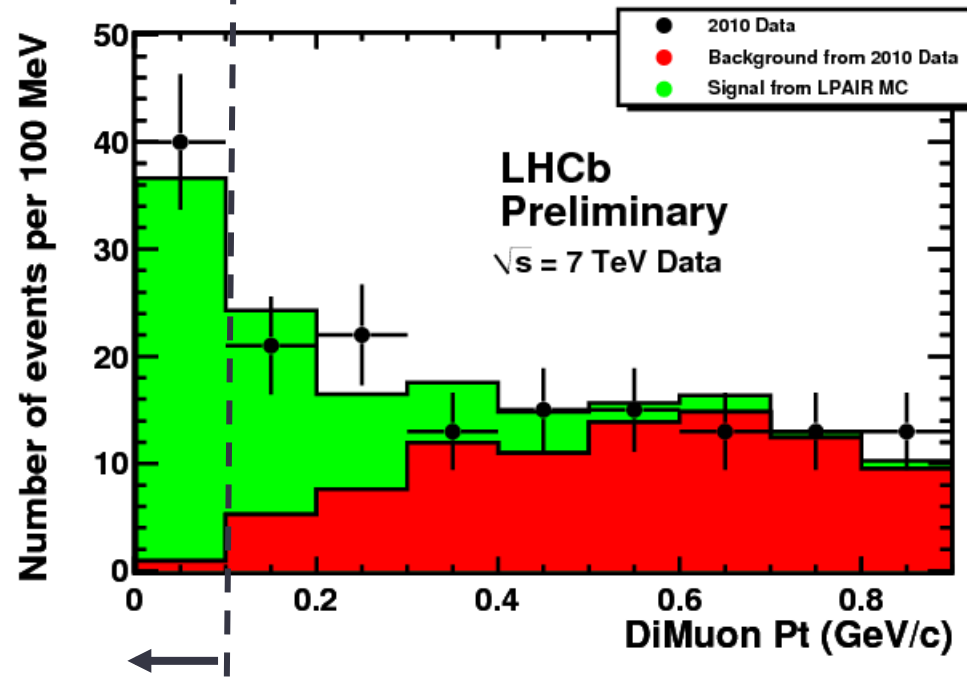


Fit elastic and inelastic components



Shape for inelastic events

Note: this time we have simulation that predicts the shape for the three contributions.



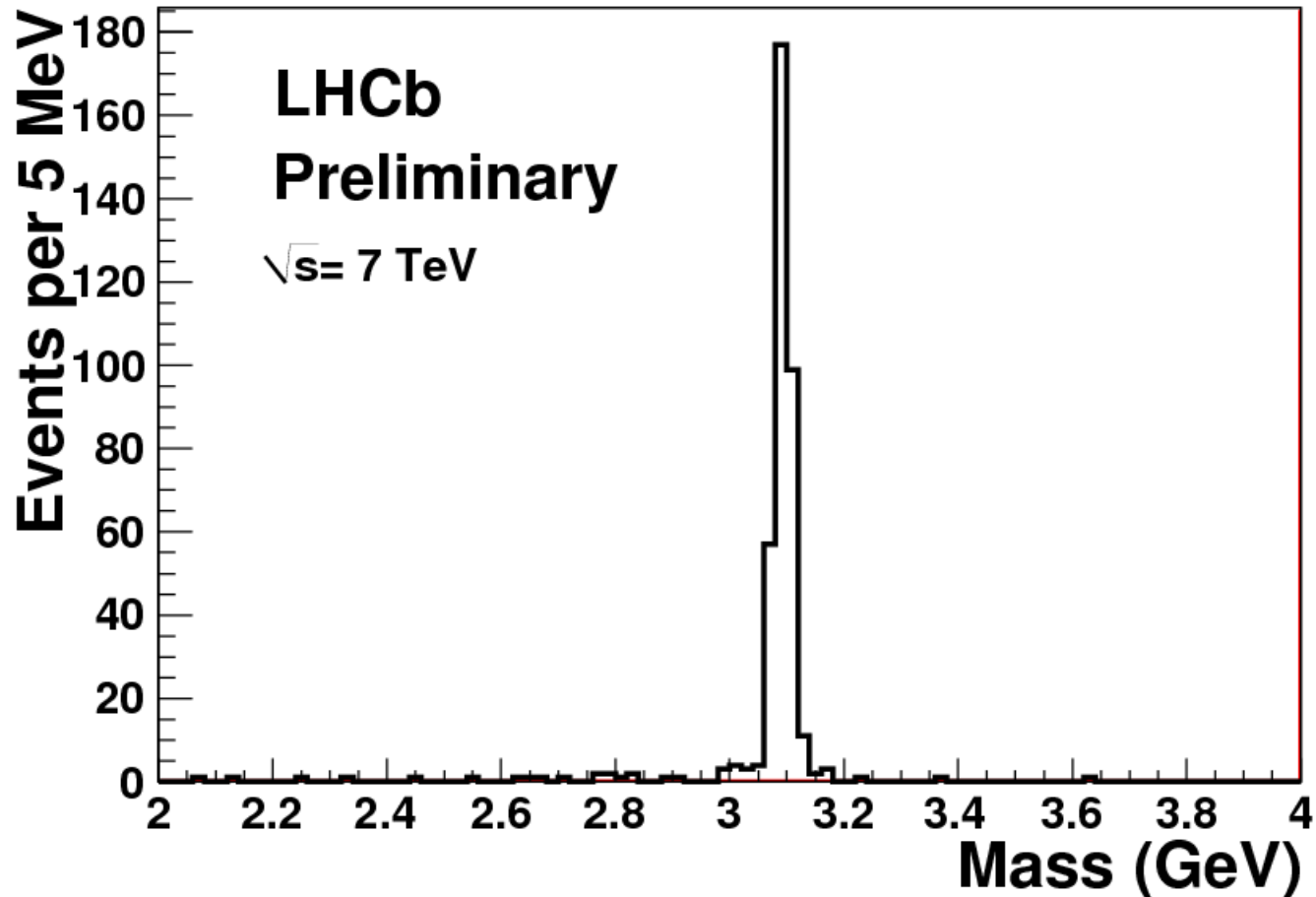
Fit to signal events

Background shape from data
 Signal shape from simulation.

Measured cross-section $p\mu\mu p$: 67 ± 19 pb

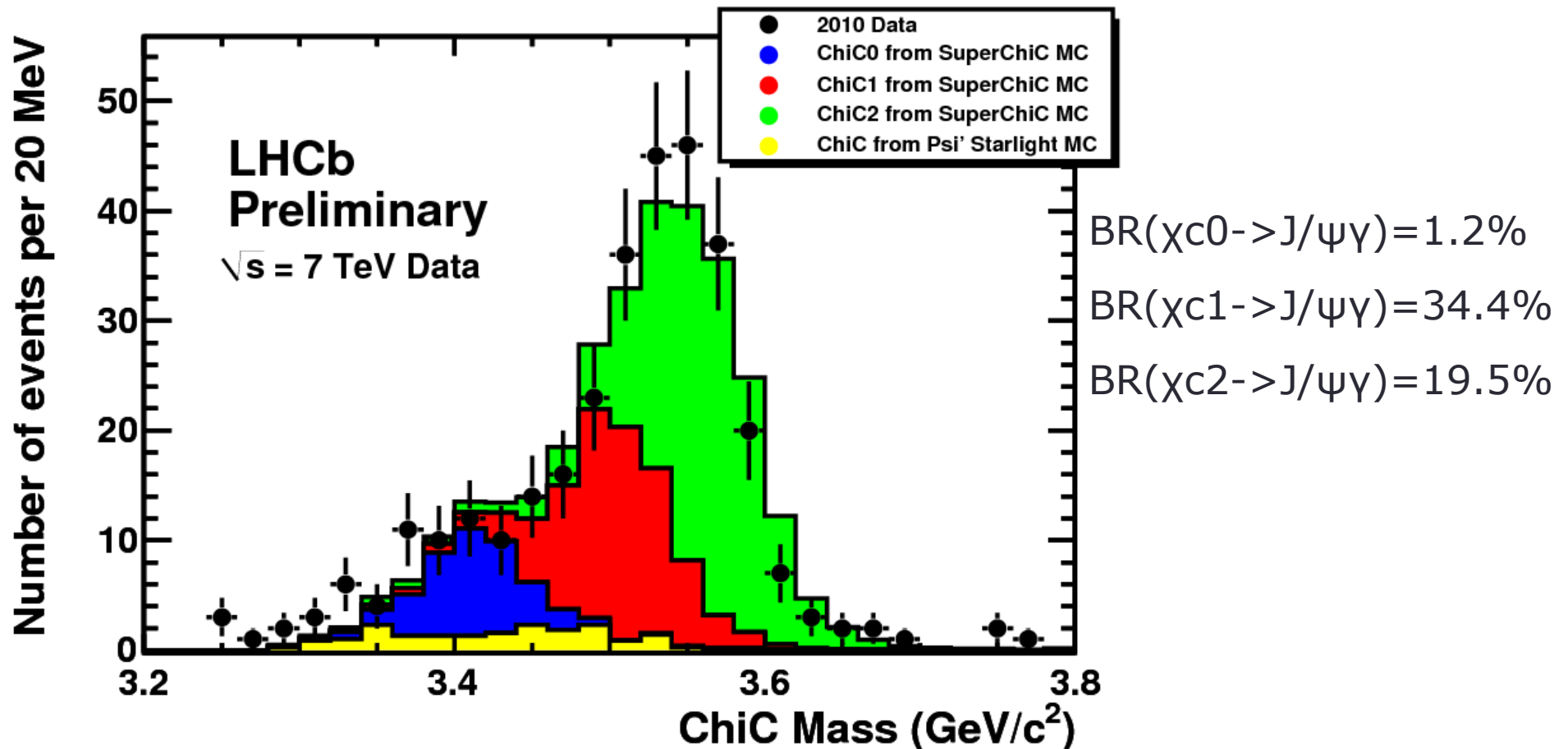
LPAIR (J. Vermaseren) 42 pb

X_c : DiMuon Invariant Mass



About half the background that was observed in the exclusive J/ψ analysis (since no continuum process).

χ_c : DiMuon+Photon Invariant Mass



Inelastic contribution appears to be much larger than for J/ψ .
In a first approximation it should be square of bkg in J/ψ process.

Theory v experiment

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \mu+\mu-\gamma} &= 9.3 \pm 2.2 \pm 3.5 \pm 1.8 \text{ pb} \\ \sigma_{\chi_{c1} \rightarrow \mu+\mu-\gamma} &= 16.4 \pm 5.3 \pm 5.8 \pm 3.2 \text{ pb} \\ \sigma_{\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \mu+\mu-\gamma} &= 28.0 \pm 5.4 \pm 9.7 \pm 5.4 \text{ pb}\end{aligned}$$

LHCb preliminary results with 2010 data

$$\chi_0: 9.3 \pm 4.5 \text{ pb} \quad \chi_1: 16.4 \pm 7.1 \text{ pb} \quad \chi_2: 28.0 \pm 12.3 \text{ pb}$$

SuperChic: 14 pb

10 pb

3 pb

Large contribution due to χ_{c0} is confirmed.

χ_{c2} larger than expected but note that non-elastic background has been assumed same for each resonance. More precise data required.

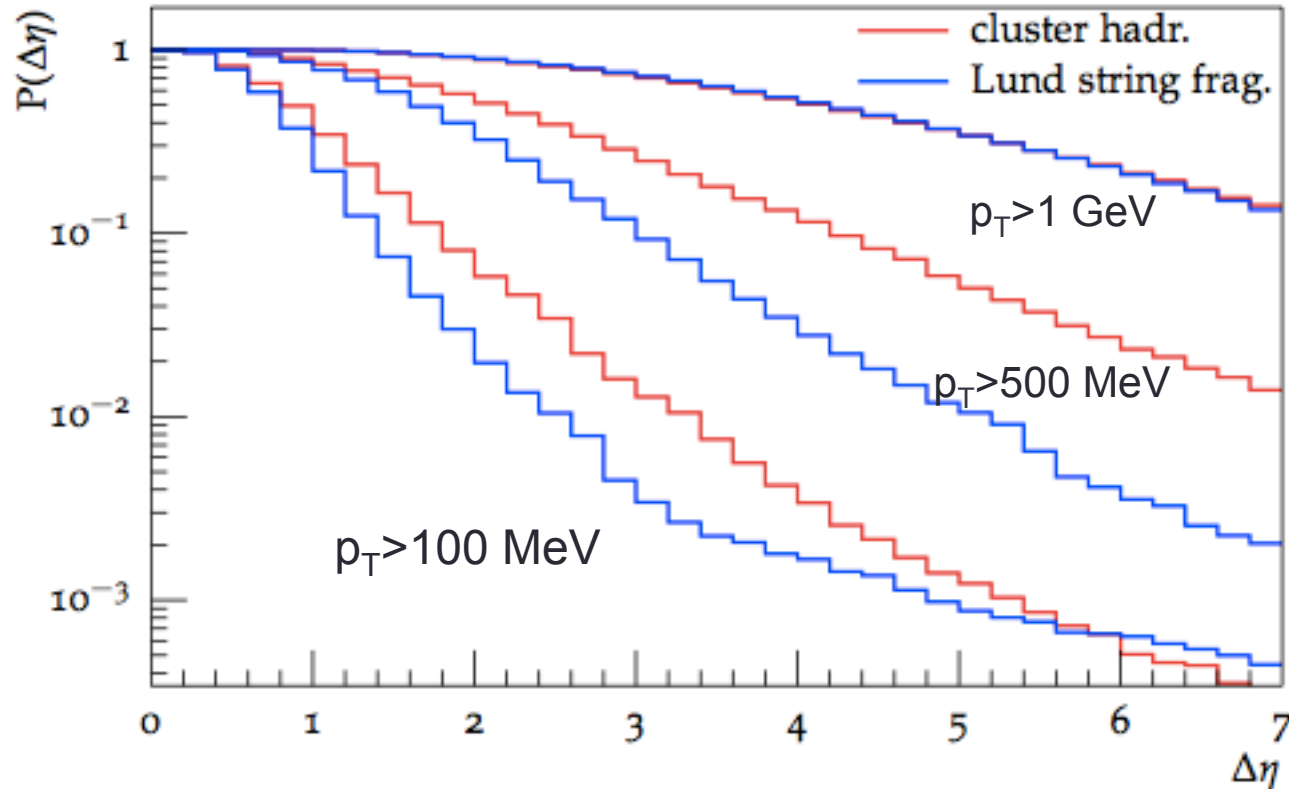
Integrated cross-sections

	J/ψ [pb]	$\psi(2S)$ [pb]
Gonçalves and Machado [29]	275	
JMRT [5]	282	8.3
Motyka and Watt [2]	334	
Schäfer and Szczurek [30]	317	
Starlight [31]	292	6.1
SUPERCHIC [19]	317	7.0
LHCb measured value	$291 \pm 7 \pm 19$	$6.5 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.4$

Good agreement with all theory estimates

What's a large gap?

Probability for finding a
rapidity gap $> \Delta\eta$
in inclusive QCD events



- Khoze, Kraus, Martin, Ryskin, Zapp, “Diffraction and correlations at the LHC: definitions and observables”, arXiv:1005.4839v2
- Probability for inclusively produced J/ψ to give two muons and nothing else inside LHCb is $< \sim 10^{-5}$