

Quarkonium production and polarization in pp collisions with CMS



**Introduction to quarkonium physics
Quarkonium measurements with CMS
A data-driven interpretation of the results**



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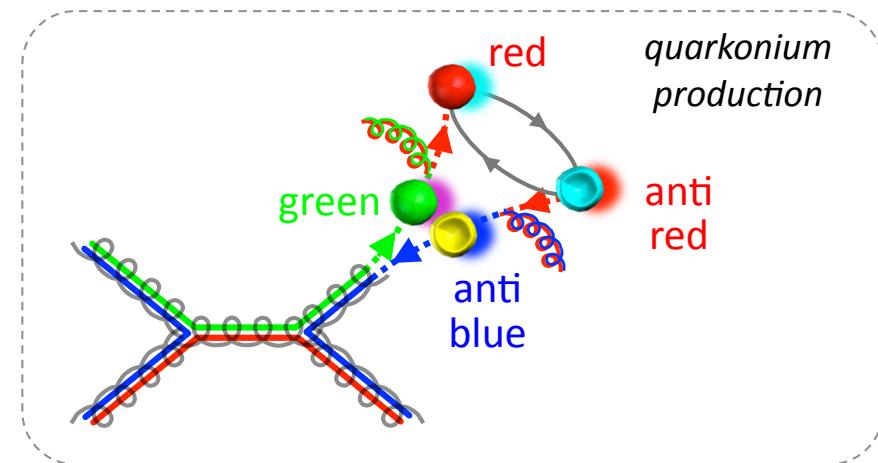
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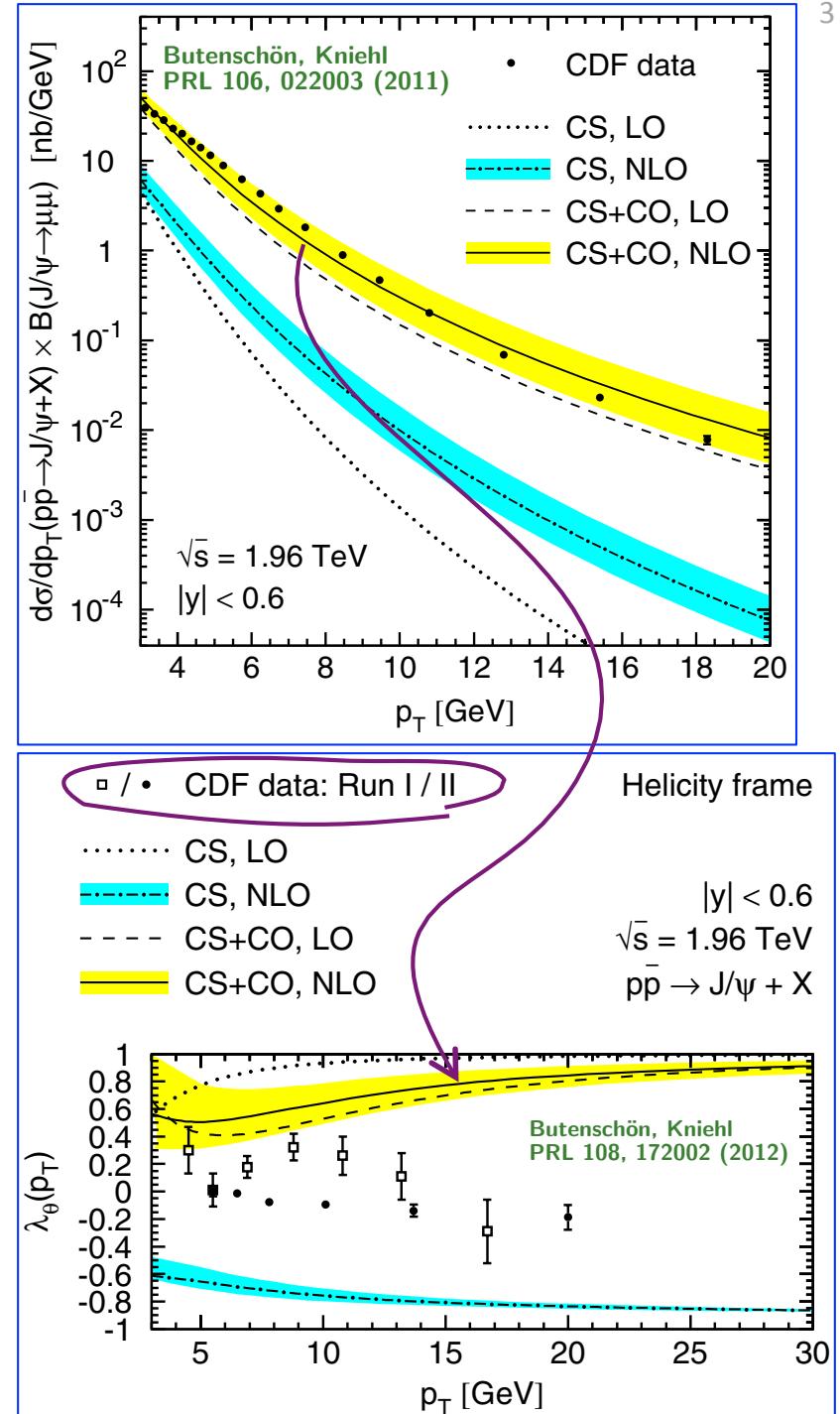
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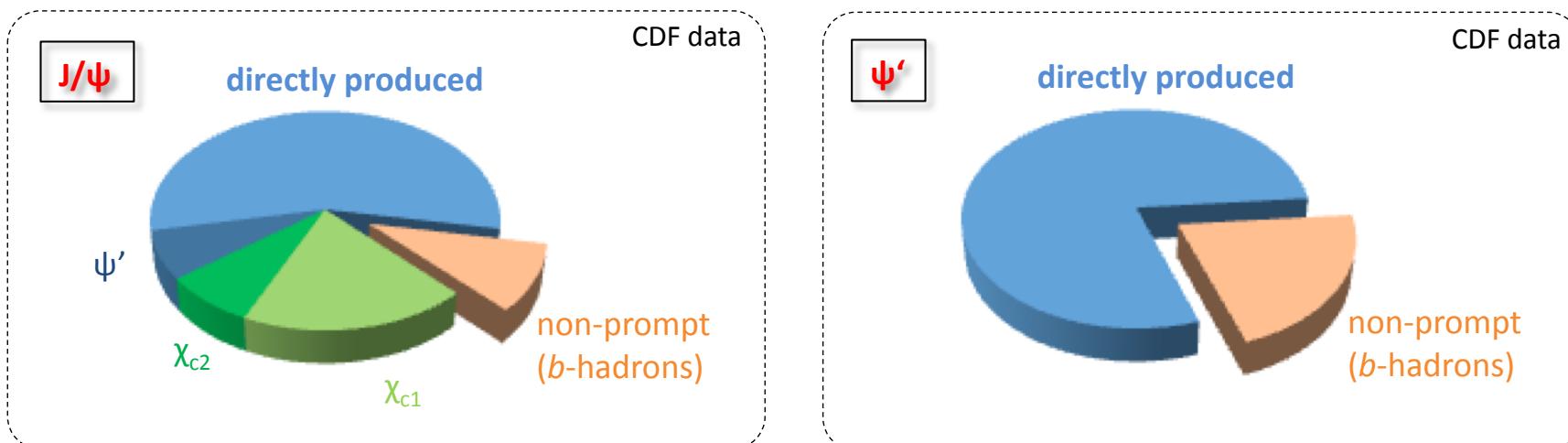
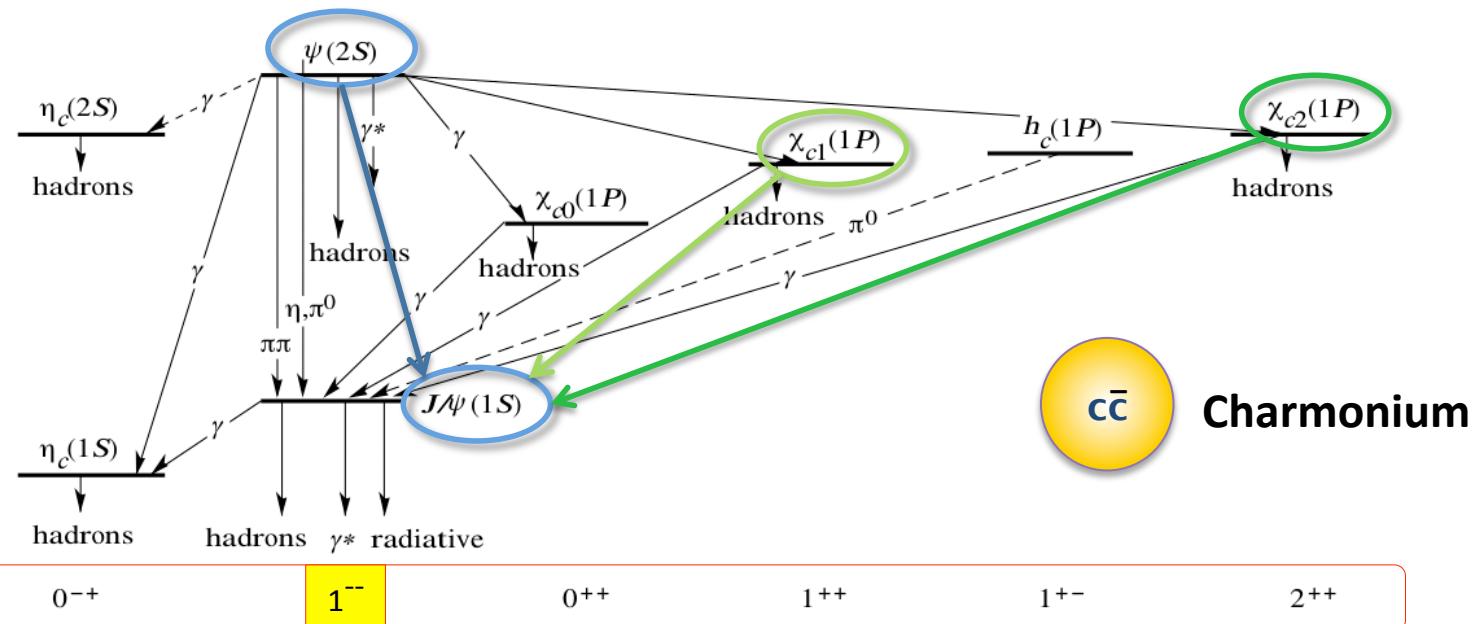
NRQCD calculations fit p_T -differential cross sections to extract long-distance matrix elements (LDMEs) and then predict the quarkonium polarization
→ “Quarkonium polarization puzzle”

The pre-LHC polarization measurements - affected by some inconsistencies - were left out of the LDME fits

LHC cross sections and polarizations can provide significant improvements, due to more reliable analysis methods and higher p_T reach

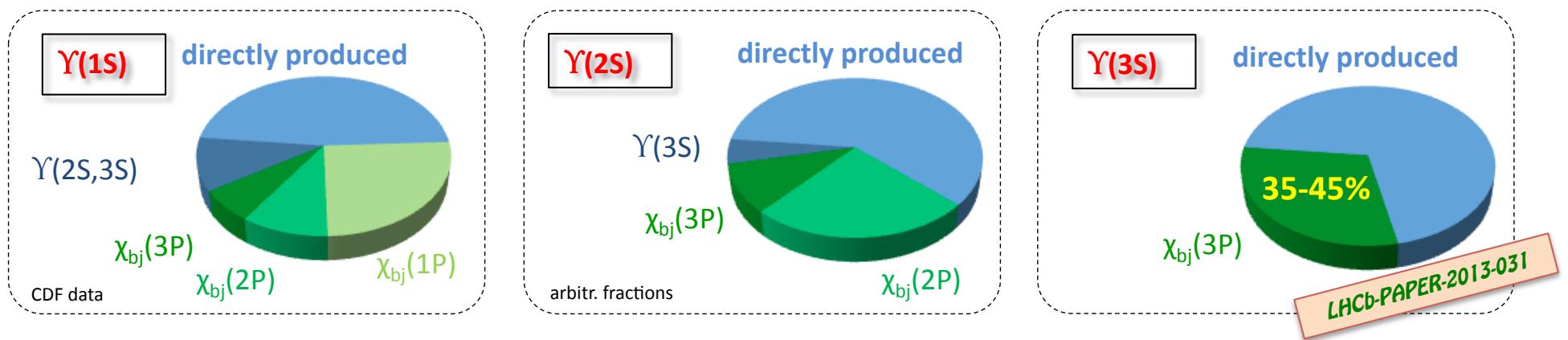
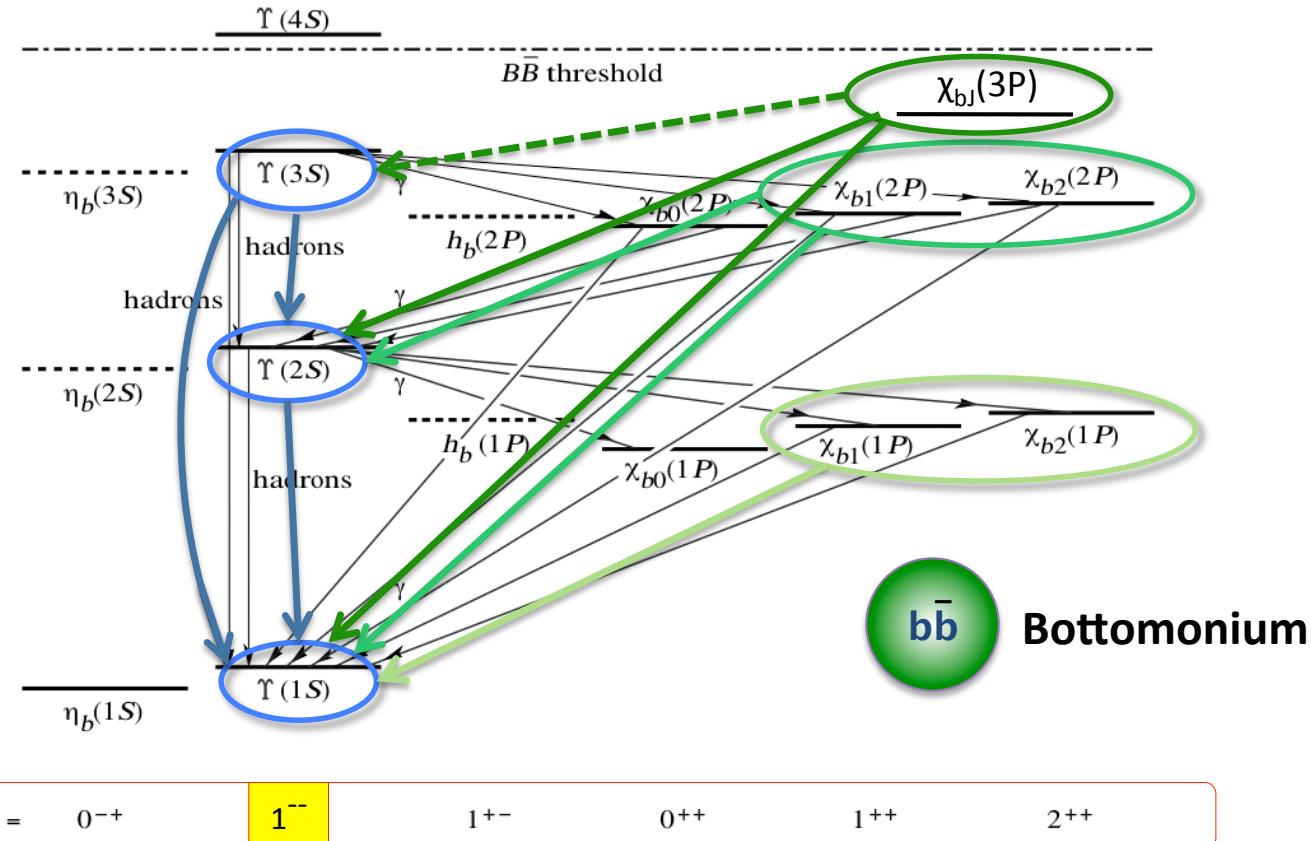


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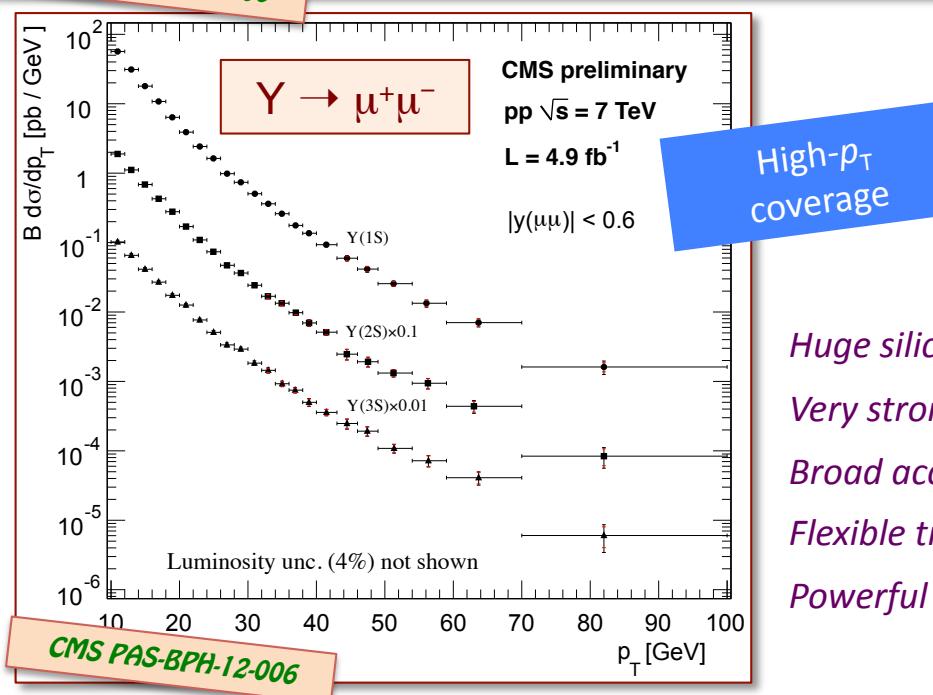
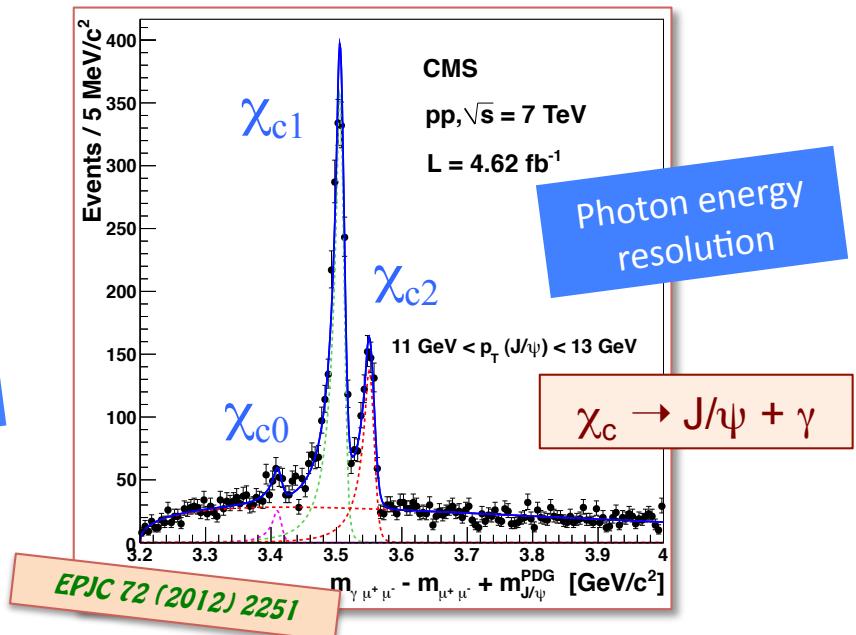
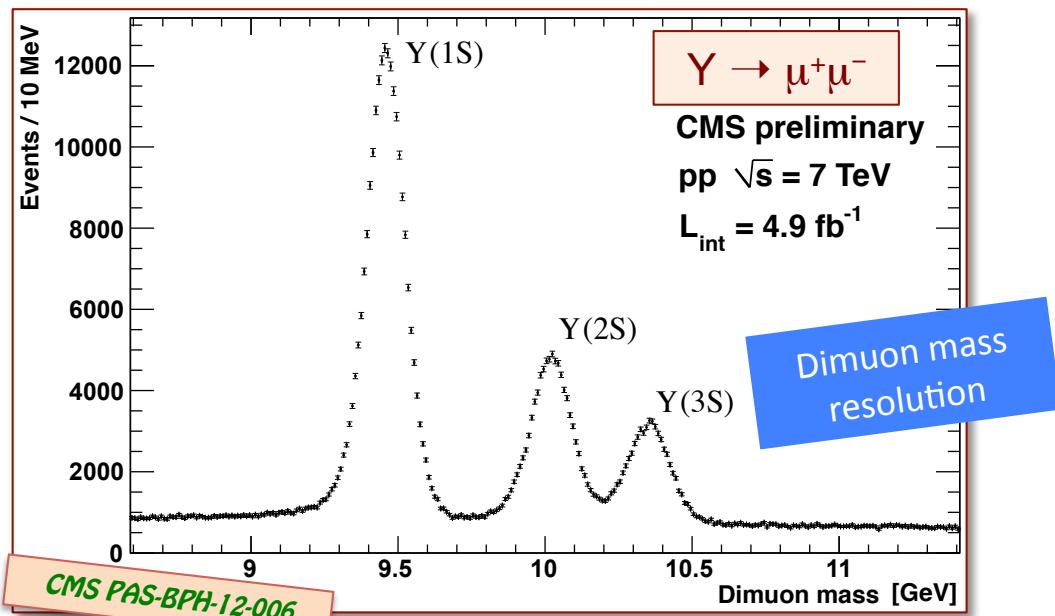
Prompt contribution = Direct production + charmonium feed-down

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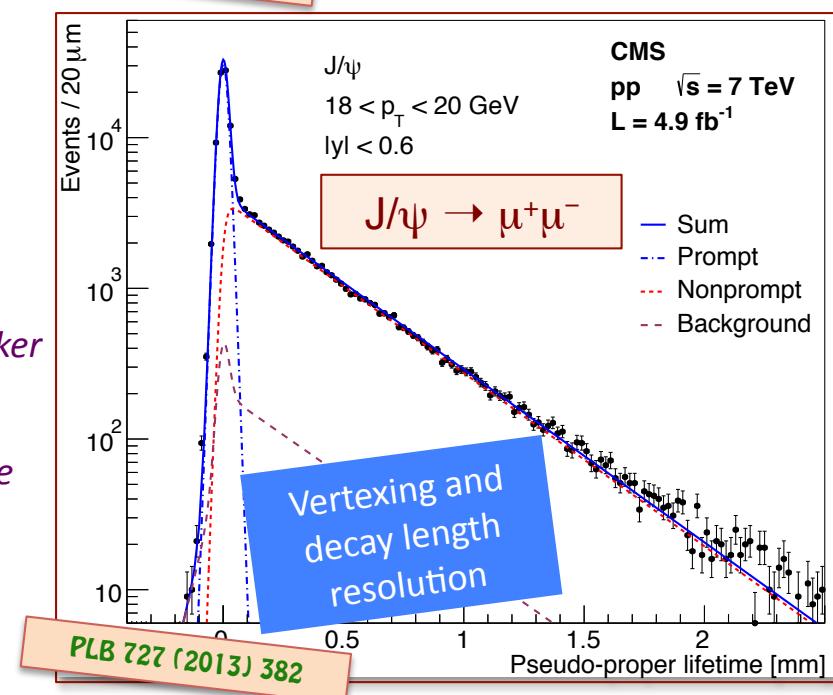


CMS: excellent performance in quarkonium reconstruction

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Huge silicon tracker
Very strong field
Broad acceptance
Flexible trigger
Powerful DAQ

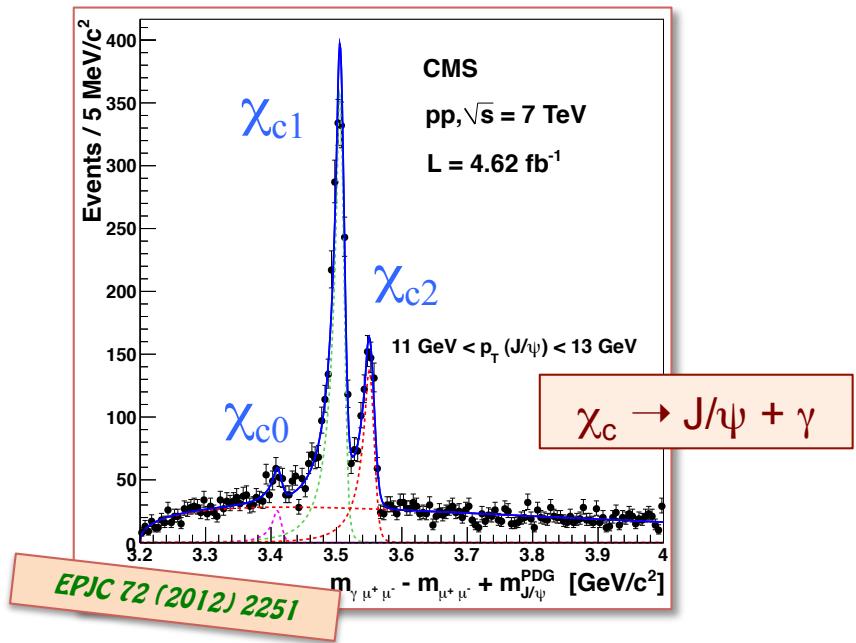
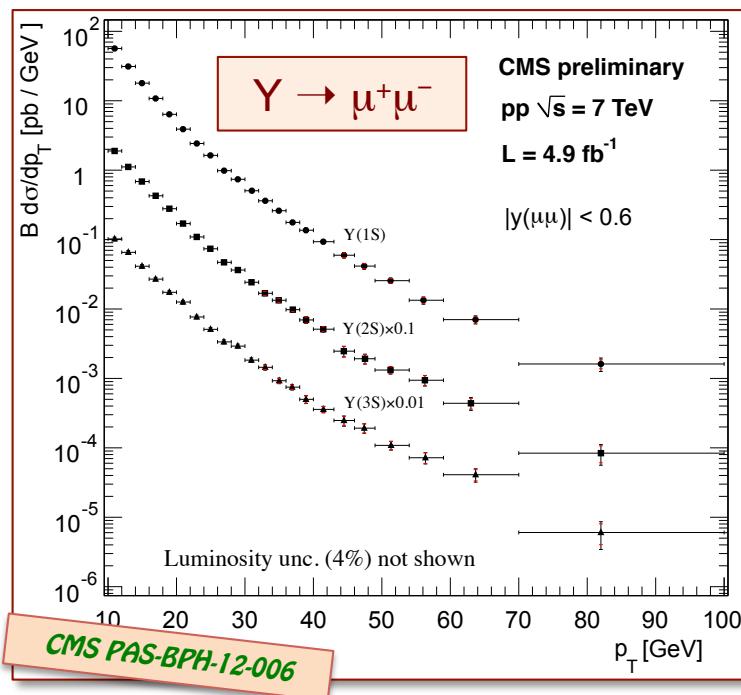


CMS: S-wave cross sections and P-wave ratios

The $\Upsilon(nS)$ differential cross sections were measured in the p_T range 10–100 GeV for $|y| < 0.6$

Acceptance corrections depend on polarization; using the measured polarizations reduced the biggest uncertainty of previous measurements

The three S states show similar patterns; P-wave feed-down contribution does not seem to significantly affect the p_T trends



The photons emitted in χ decays have ~1% probability to convert and be reconstructed in the silicon tracker

The e^+e^- tracking provides ≈ 5 MeV mass resolution, crucial to resolve the two states

Current CMS results limited to measurements of the cross-section ratio of the χ_{c2}/χ_{c1} and $\chi_{b2}(1P)/\chi_{b1}(1P)$ systems

Efficiencies cancel almost completely in the χ_c/χ_b cross-section ratios

LHC: Quarkonium cross sections

Differential cross sections at mid-rapidity, for 7 different quarkonium states, measured by CMS and ATLAS, as function of $p_T/M^{(*)}$

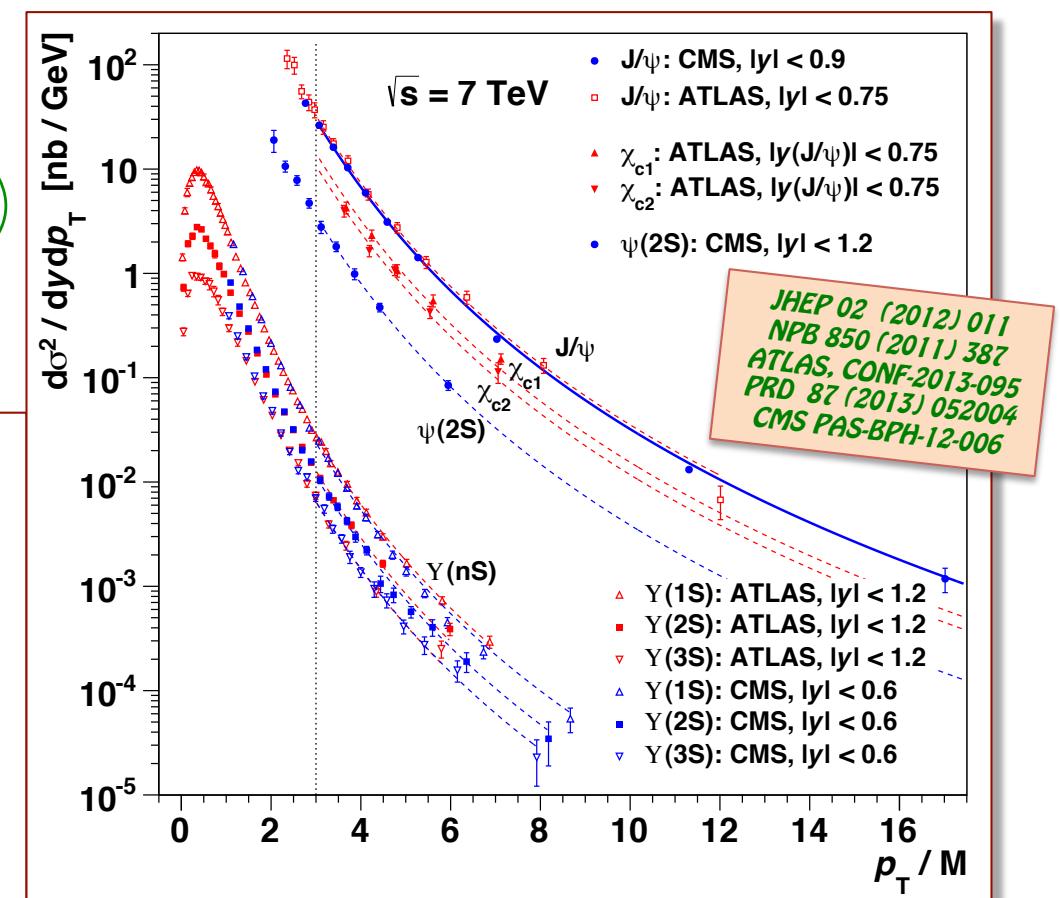
Shapes are well described by a single empirical power-law (for $pT/M>3$), common to all considered results (5 S-wave and 2 P-wave states, with highly varying feed-down characteristics)

This strongly suggests quarkonium production is dominated by 1 single production mechanism, common to all S and P-wave quarkonia

Compilation by P. Faccioli et al.,
arXiv:1403.3970 (2014)

solid: fit to CMS J/ ψ data
dashed: replicas with adjusted normalizations

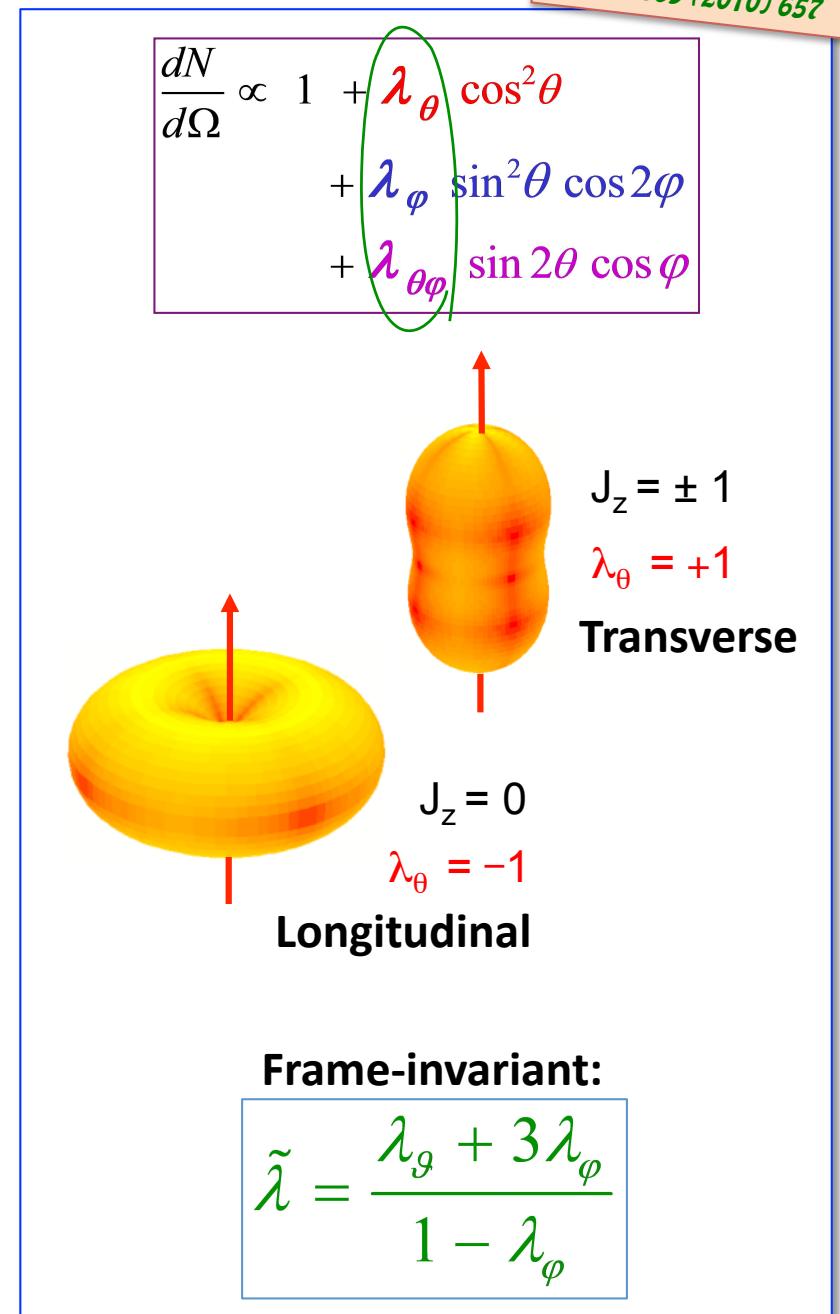
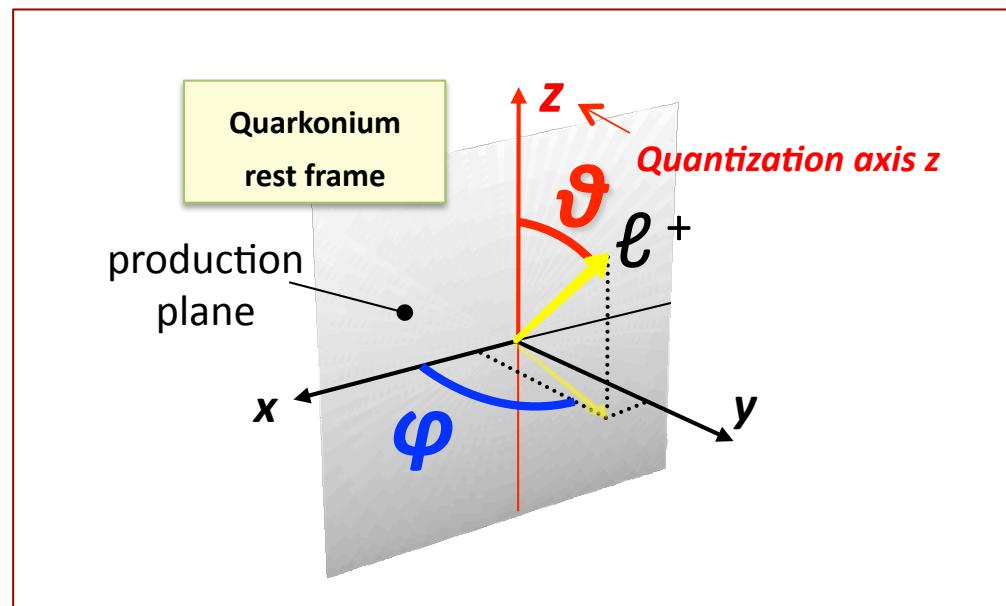
(*) p_T is mass-rescaled to equalize the kinematic effects of different average parton momenta and phase spaces



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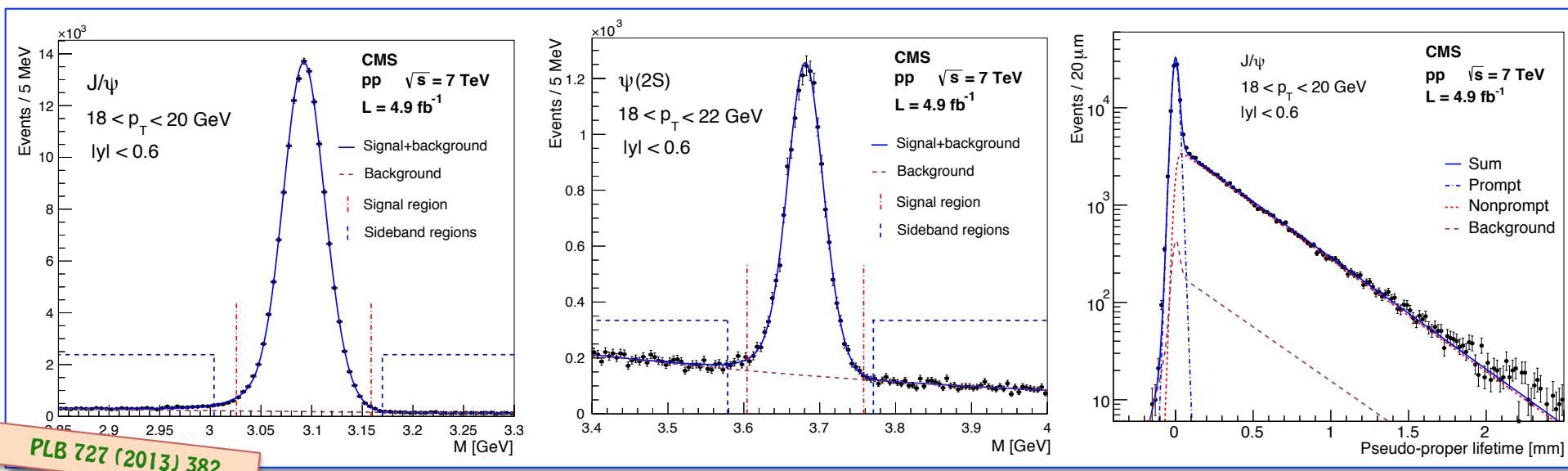
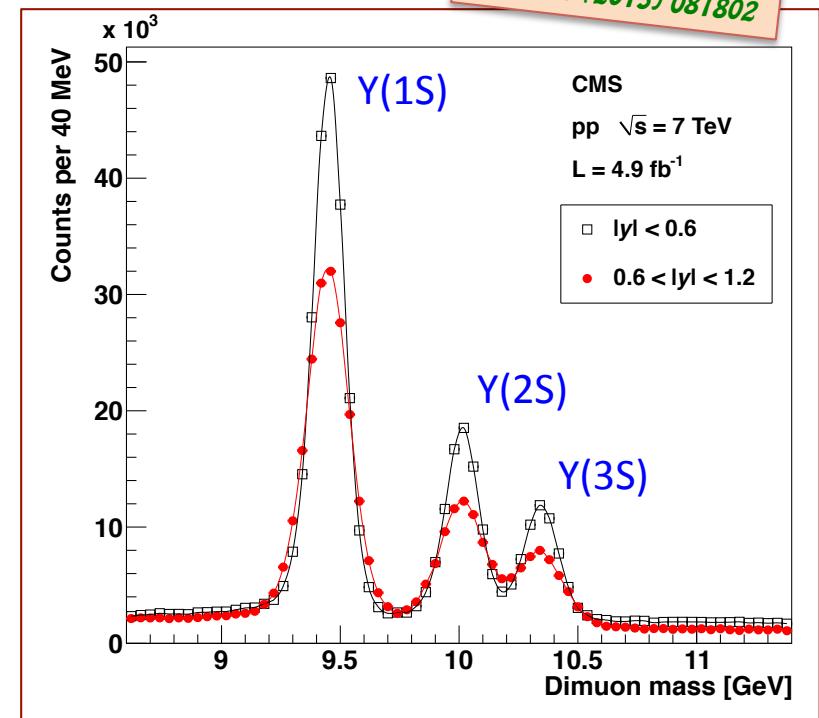


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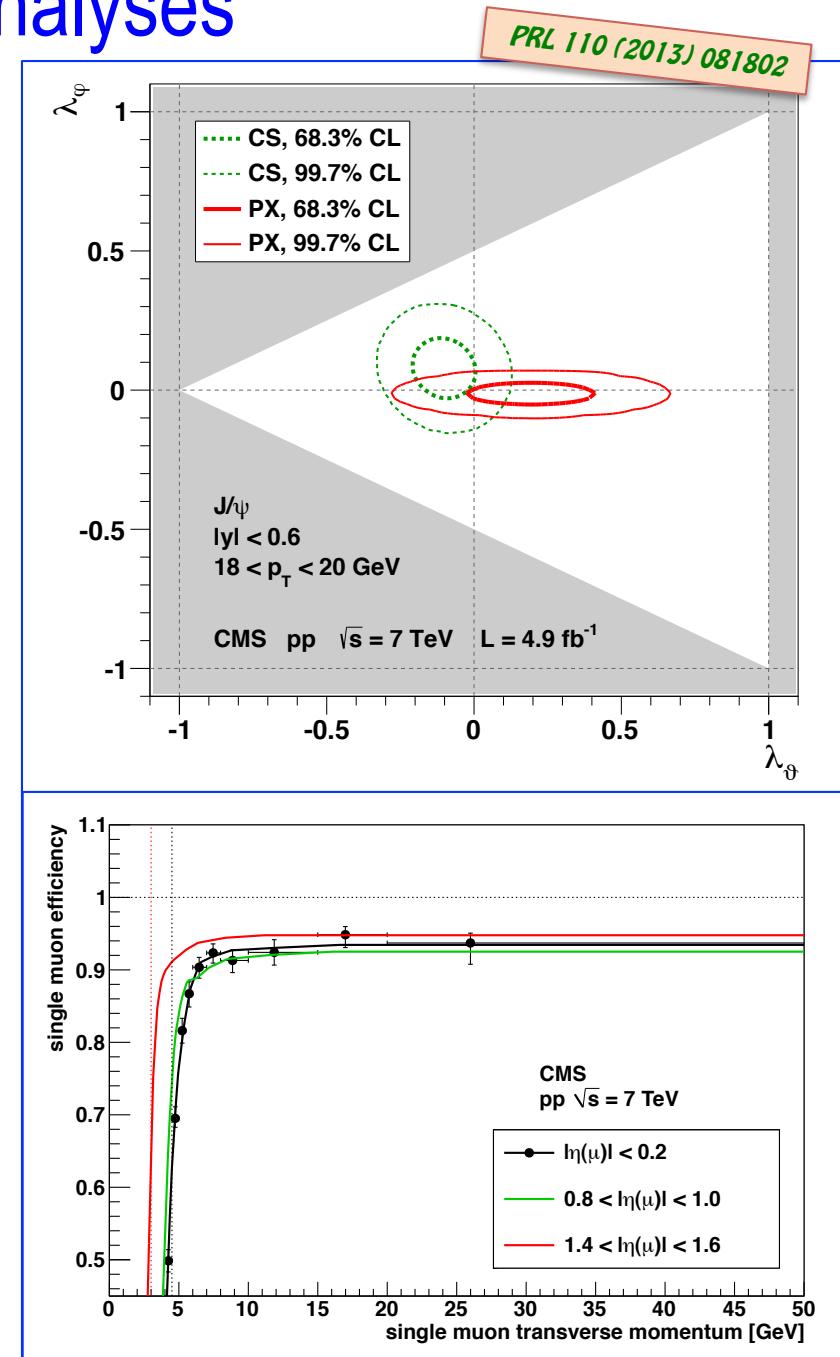
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We calculate the multi-dimensional [posterior probability density](#) as result of the analysis

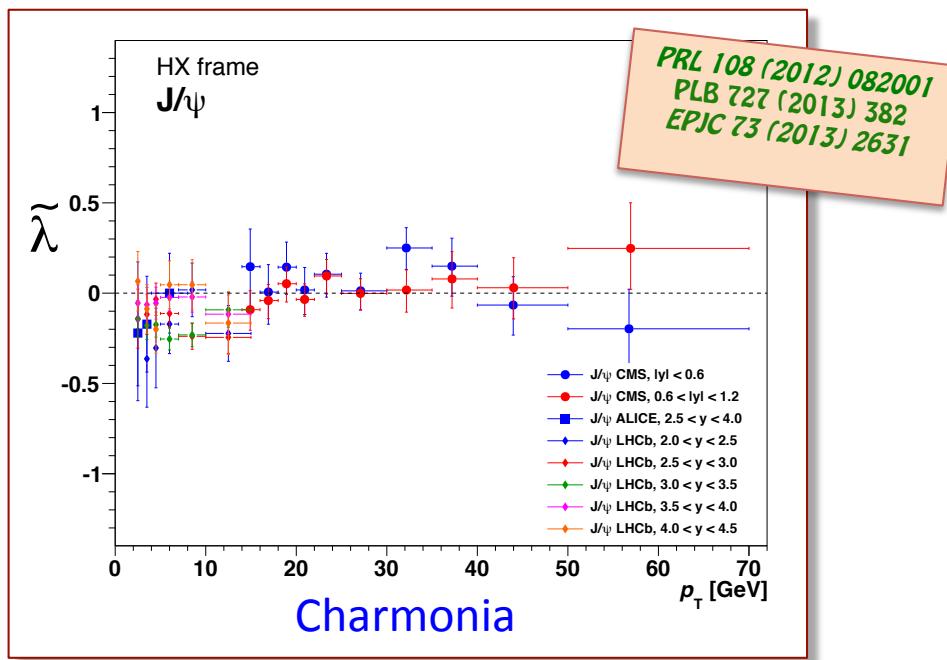
Main experimental challenges:

- ✧ reliable [background modeling](#) (sidebands)
- ✧ precise mapping of (di)muon efficiencies (T&P)

Uncertainties are dominated by systematics at low p_T and by statistics at high p_T



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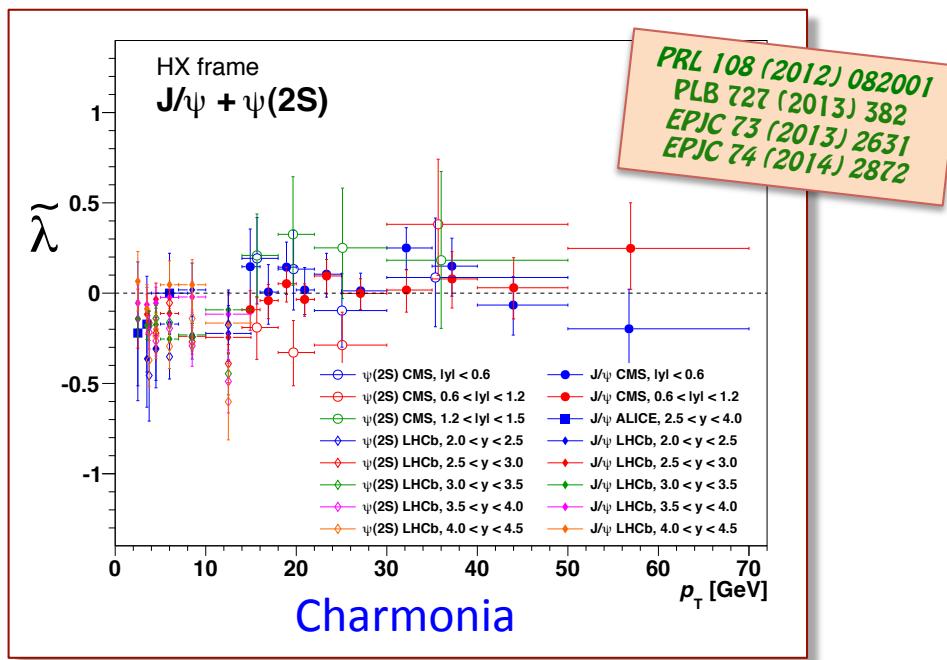


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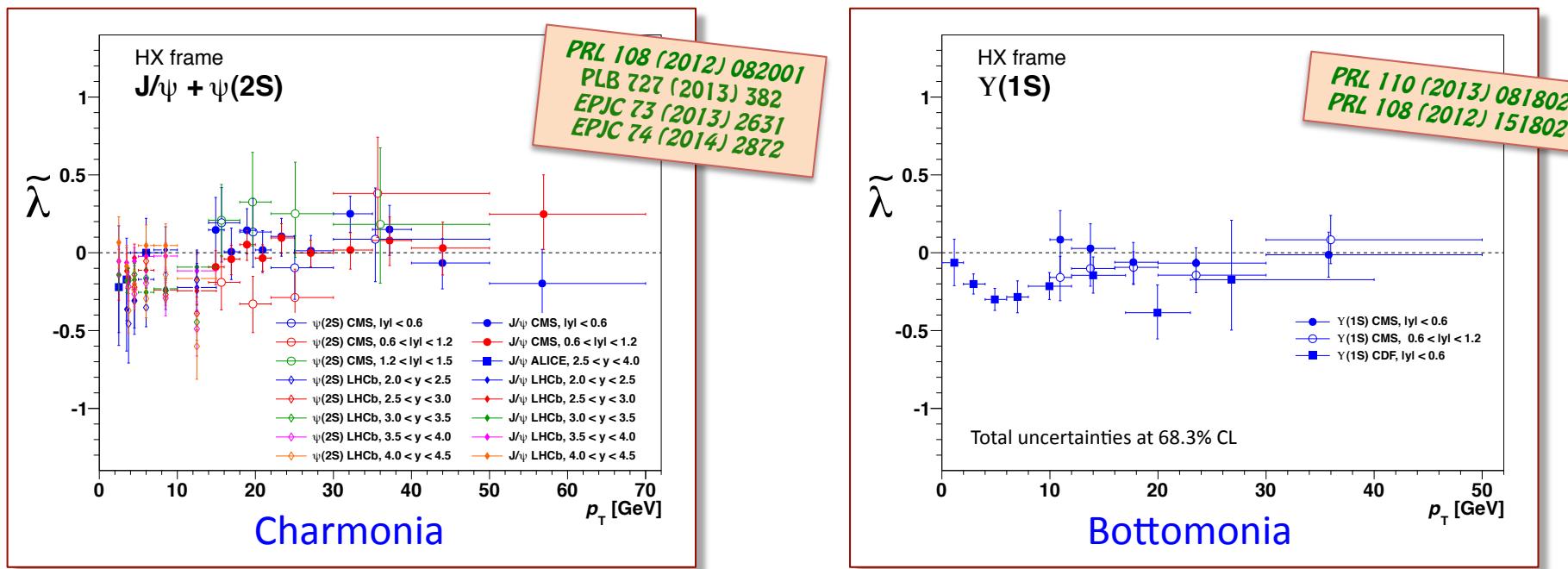


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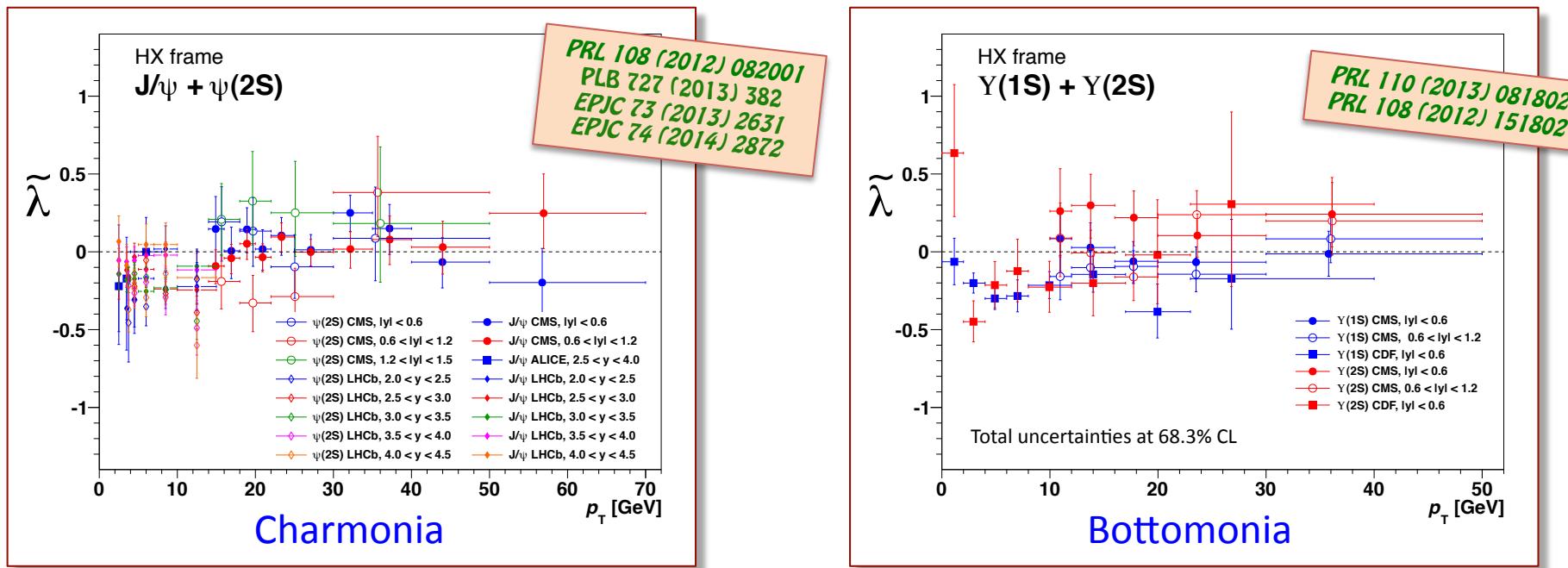


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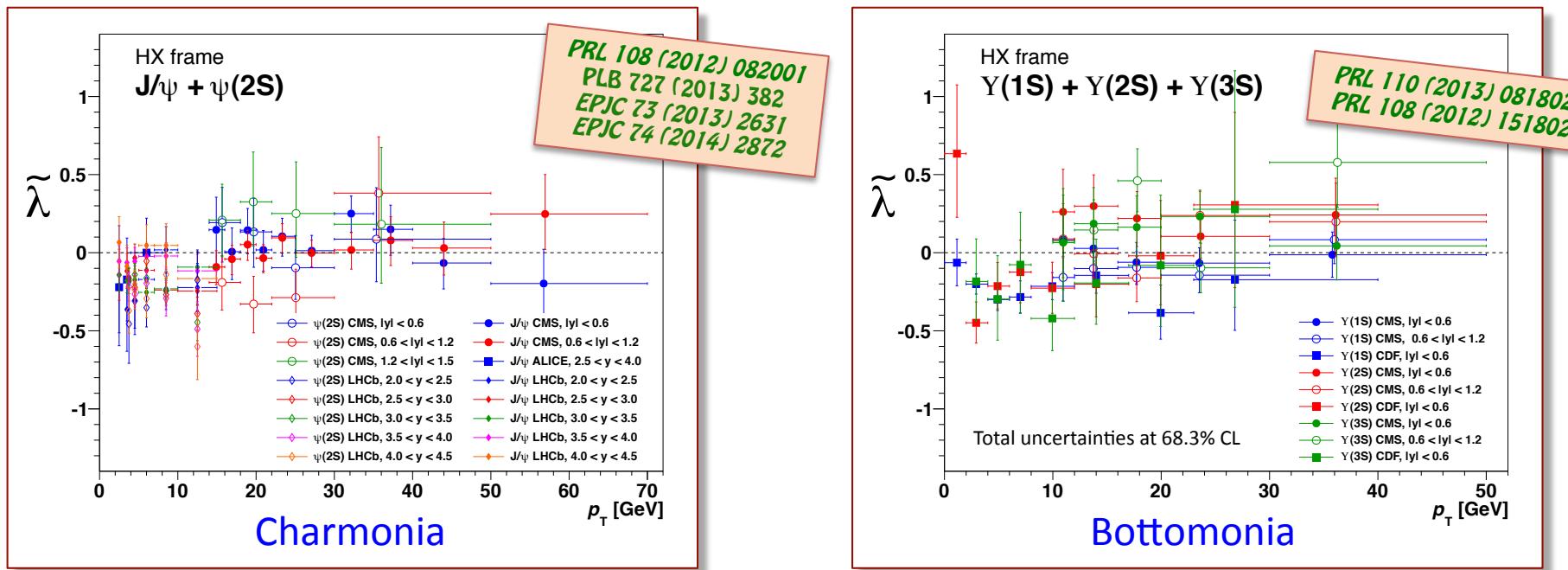


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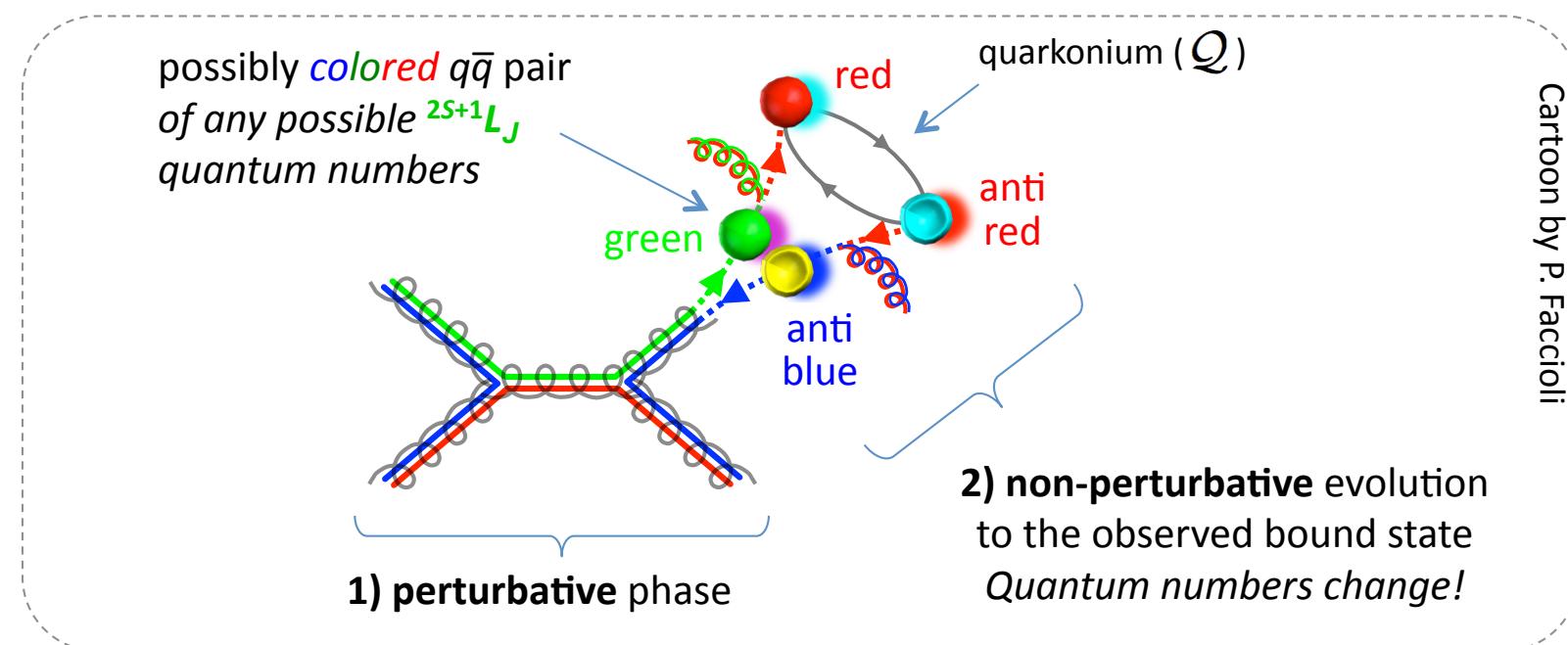
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Quantum numbers of the heavy quark pair
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NRQCD predicts the existence of **intermediate color-octet (CO) states** in nature, that subsequently evolve into physical color-singlet (CS) quarkonia by **non-perturbative emission of soft gluons**.

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Short-distance coefficients (SDCs)

- Cross section of partonic processes to form $Q\bar{Q}$ in state n  PDF
- Process-dependent functions of kinematics
- Can be calculated perturbatively (expansion in α_s)

Long-distance matrix elements (LDMEs)

- Probability of $Q\bar{Q}$ in state n to form quarkonium state Q
- Universal constants (independent of kinematics)
 - Determined from fits to experimental data

The LDMEs should follow a hierarchy in powers of v , the relative velocity of the quark pair in the quarkonium system → Non-relativistic approximation ($v^2 \sim 0.3$ for the Ψ and ~ 0.1 for the Υ):

- Truncation of v -expansion for S-wave states
- NRQCD includes 4 terms (intermediate states):

CS term ${}^3S_1^{[1]}$ (same n as Q)

CO terms: ${}^1S_0^{[8]}, {}^3S_1^{[8]}$ and ${}^3P_J^{[8]}$

Every term has a specific polarization:

${}^3S_1^{[1]} \rightarrow \lambda_\theta \approx -0.9$ (longitudinal)

${}^1S_0^{[8]} \rightarrow \lambda_\theta = 0$ (isotropic)

${}^3S_1^{[8]} \rightarrow \lambda_\theta \approx +1$ (transverse)

${}^3P_J^{[8]} \rightarrow \lambda_\theta \gg +1$ ("hyper-transverse")

*@NLO, approximations,
HX frame*

CMS data vs. NLO NRQCD: J/ ψ

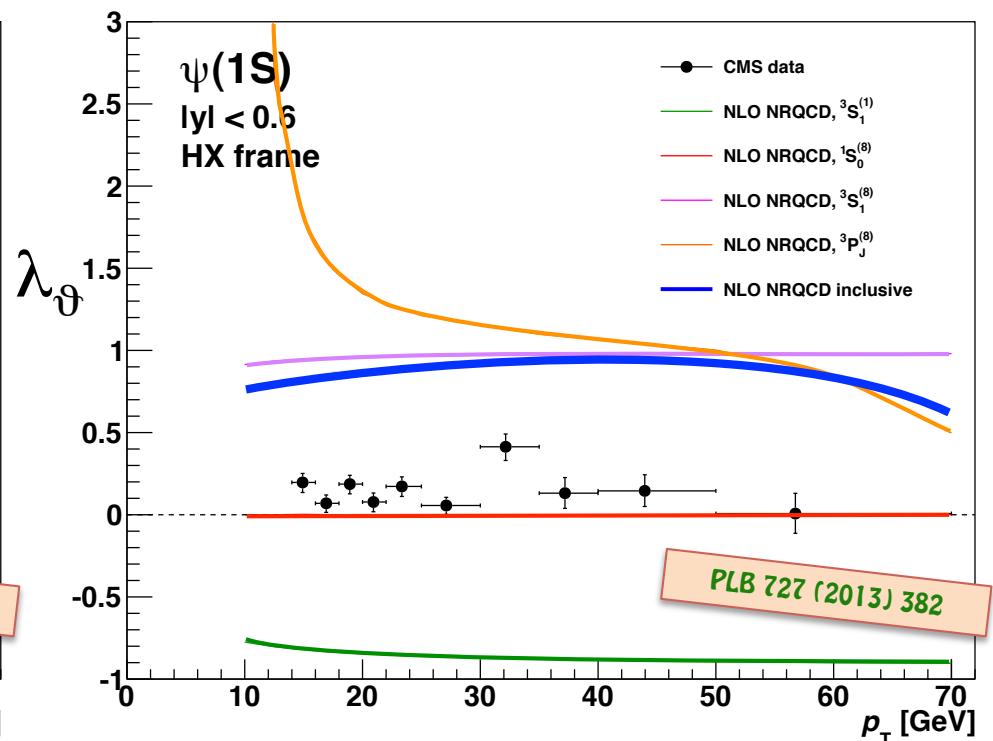
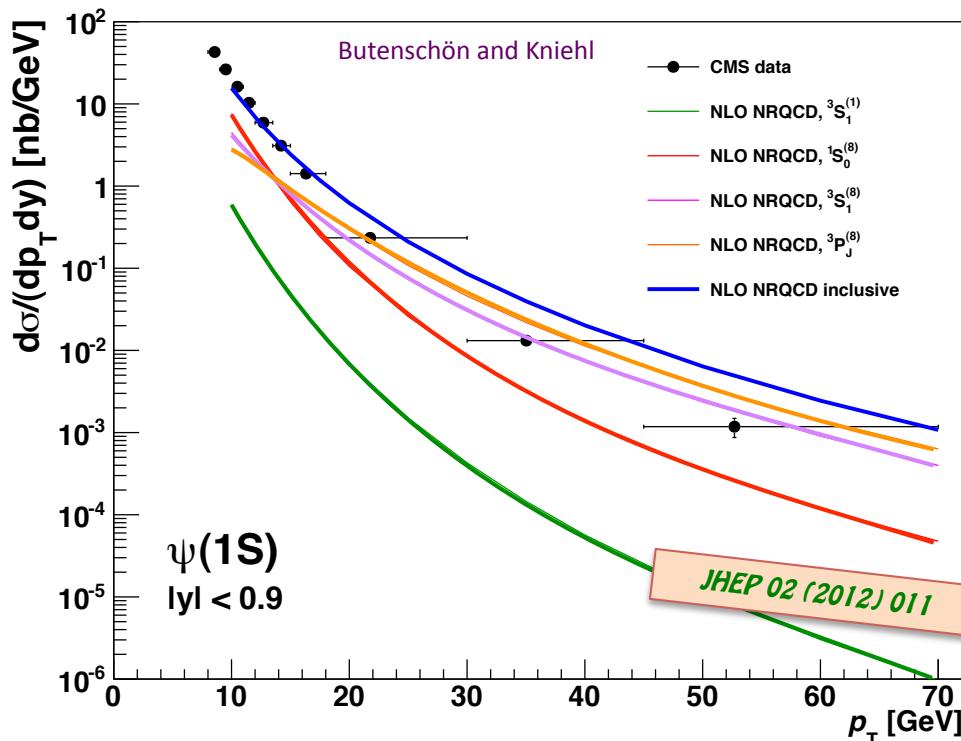
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 → transverse polarization is predicted

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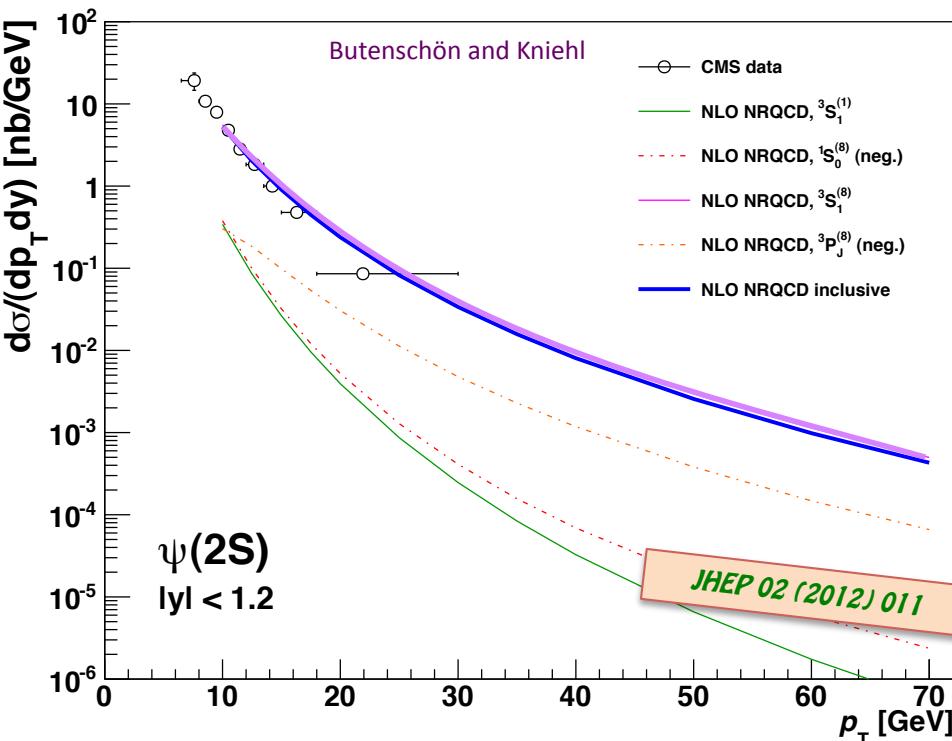


CMS data vs. NLO NRQCD: $\psi(2S)$

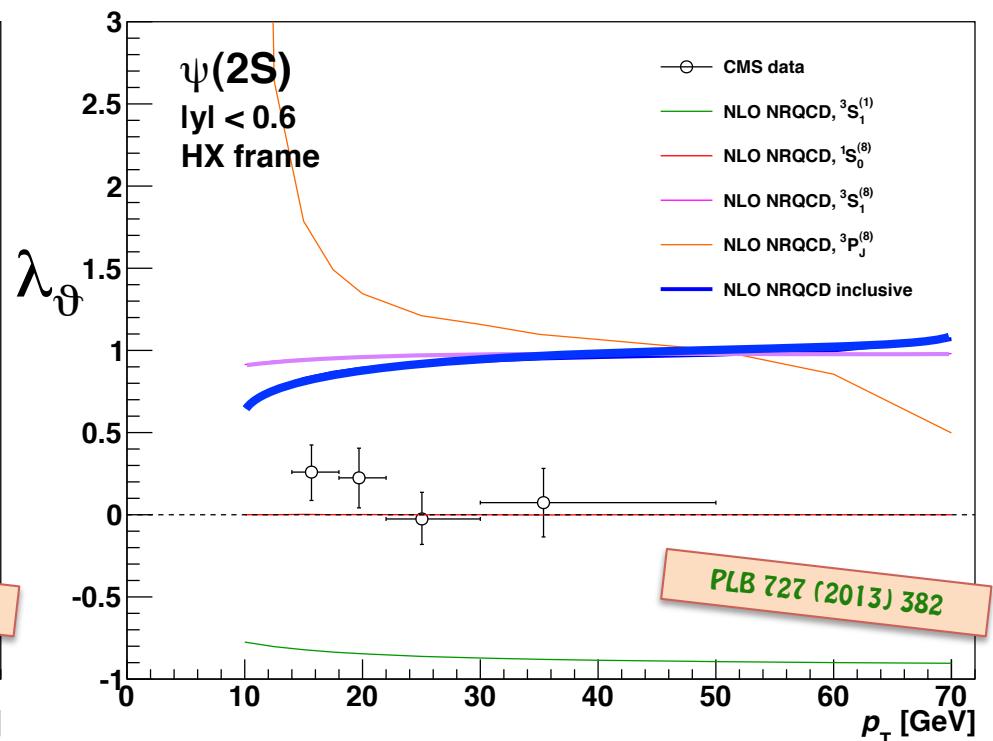
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 The $^1S_0^{[8]}$ and $^3P_J^{[8]}$ terms have *negative* SDC x LDME



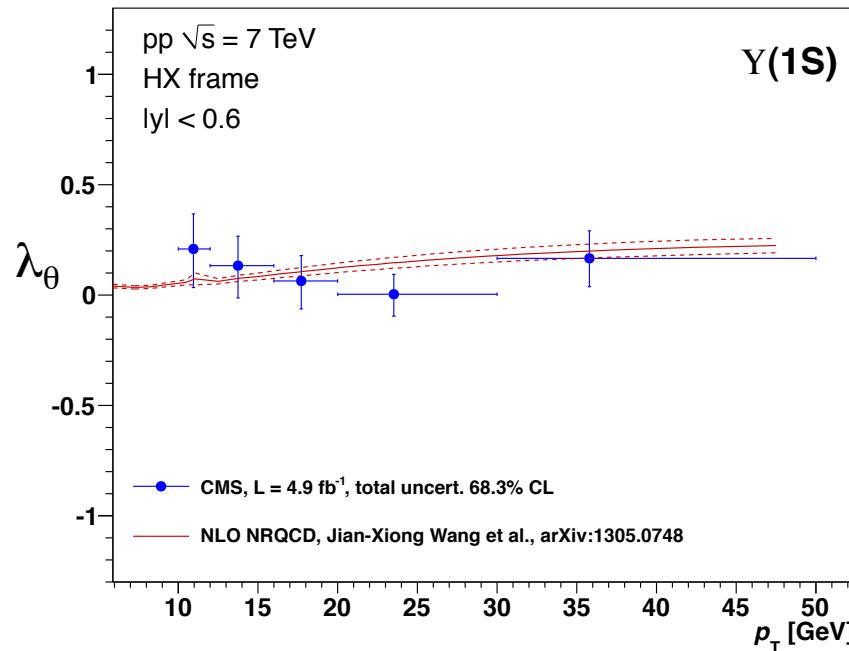
$O(^3S_1^{[1]}) = 0.76 \text{ GeV}^3$
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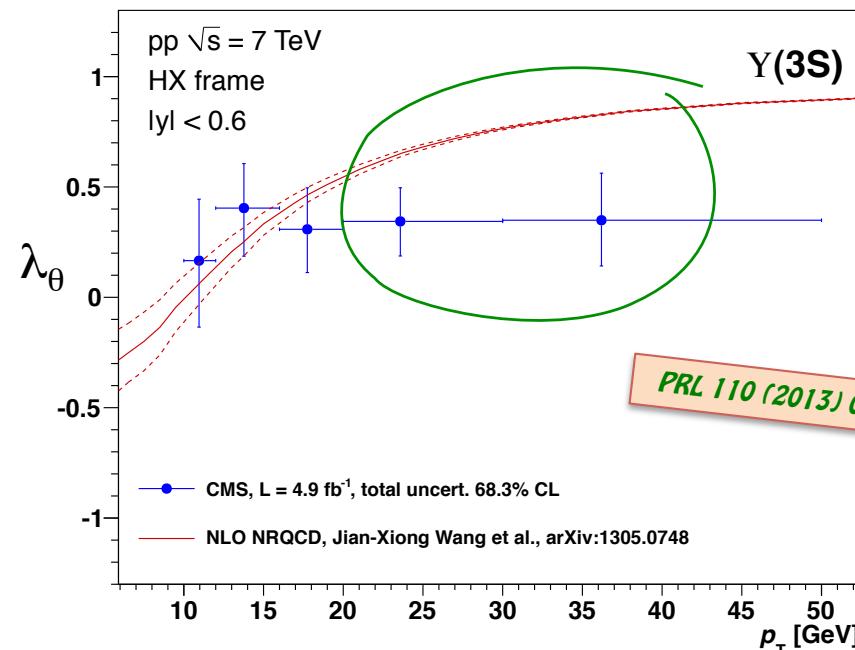
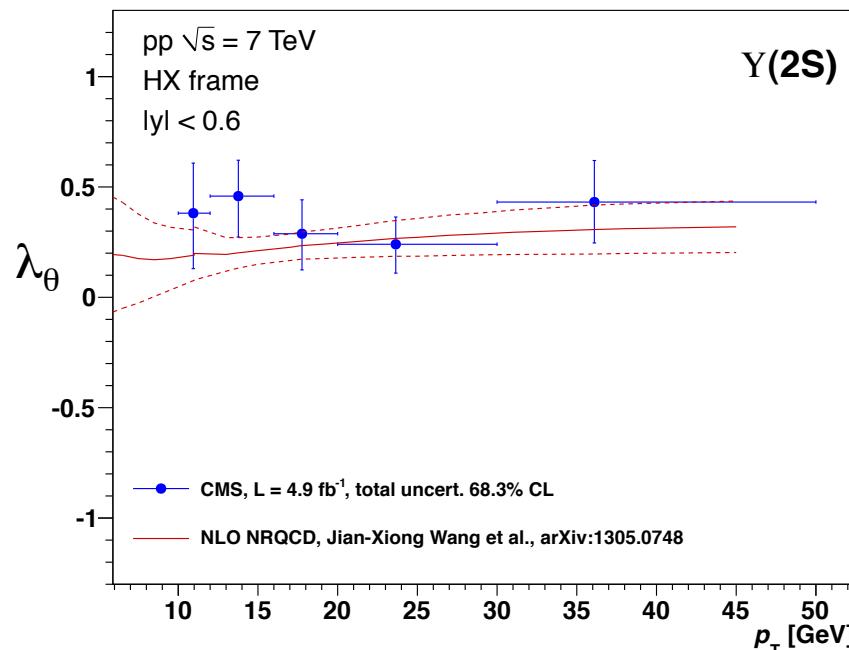
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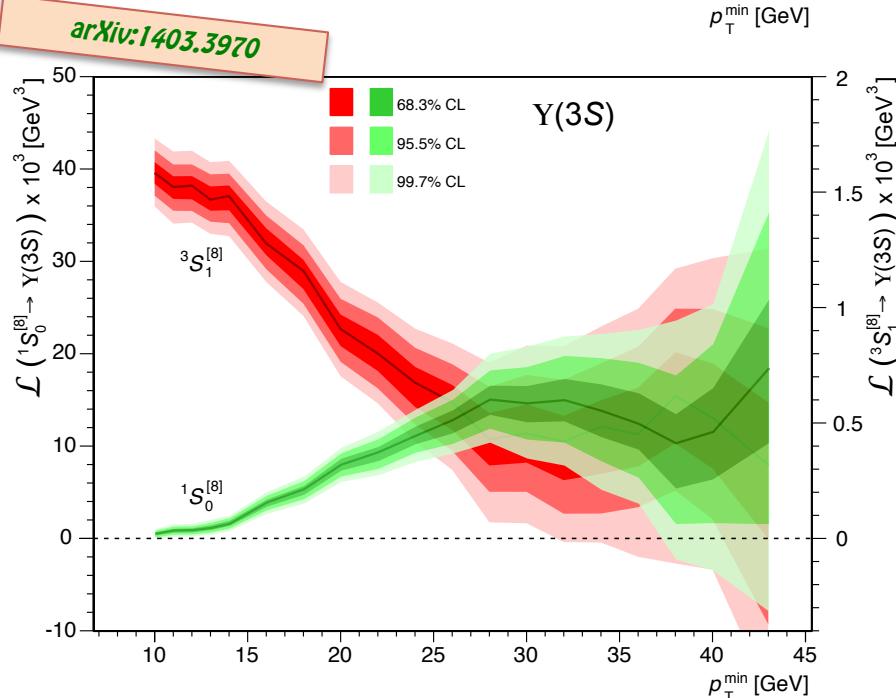
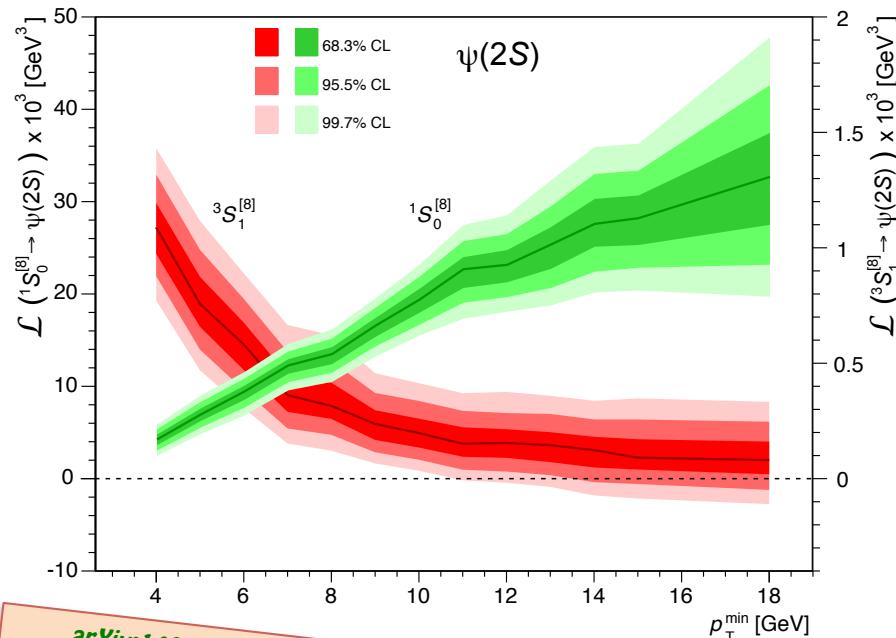
Gong et al. use hadroproduction data, including the CMS $\Upsilon(nS)$ polarization results, to fit the CO LDMEs

The $\Upsilon(1S)$ and $\Upsilon(2S)$ predictions include the effect of feed-down decays of P-wave states, while the $\Upsilon(3S)$ is assumed to be 100% directly produced

The *unknown* feed-down fractions and polarizations of the P states give the model the freedom needed to fit the $\Upsilon(1S)$ and $\Upsilon(2S)$ polarizations



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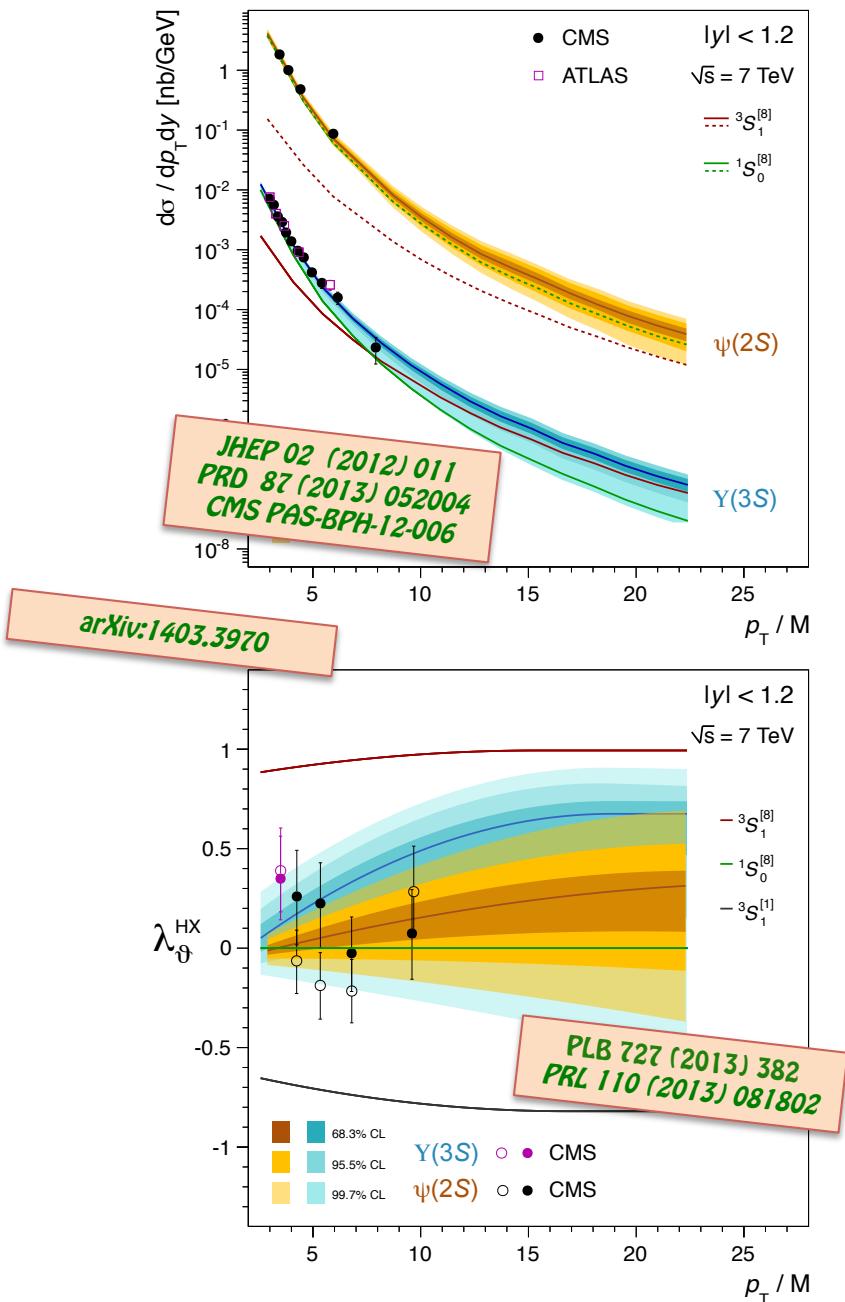
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Summary and outlook

CMS measured cross sections and polarizations of five S-wave quarkonia in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV

The χ_{c2} / χ_{c1} and $\chi_{b2}(1P) / \chi_{b1}(1P)$ cross-section ratios have also been measured

The quality of the (consistent) LHC measurements allows us to give priority to the polarization results:

- = more reliable theory understanding than cross sections, and down to lower p_T values
- = much better at resolving the several possible (singlet and octet) “pre-resonant states”

→ The absence of strong polarizations in *all* five S-wave states strongly suggests that quarkonium production dominantly proceeds through the $^1S_0^{[8]}$ transition

Several more results will come from ongoing studies of 2012 data

The LHC run 2 will allow us to further extend the p_T reach of quarkonium measurements

Further reading

J/ ψ and $\psi(2S)$ production cross sections

CMS, EPJC 71 (2011) 1575 [$L = 314 \text{ nb}^{-1}$, 7 TeV]
 CMS, JHEP 02 (2012) 011 [$L = 37 \text{ pb}^{-1}$, 7 TeV]
 ATLAS, NPB 850 (2011) 387 [2.3 pb^{-1} , 7 TeV]

X_{c1} and X_{c2} production cross sections

ATLAS, CONF-2013-095 [$L = 4.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, 7 TeV]

Y(nS) production cross section

CMS, PRD 83 (2011) 112004 [$L = 3 \text{ pb}^{-1}$, 7 TeV]
 CMS, CMS PAS-BPH-12-006 [4.9 fb^{-1} , 7 TeV]
 ATLAS, PRD 87 (2013) 052004 [1.8 fb^{-1} , 7 TeV]

Relative production rate of X_{c2} and X_{c1}

CMS, EPJC 72 (2012) 2251 [4.6 fb^{-1} , 7 TeV]

Relative production rate of $X_{b2}(1P)$ and $X_{b1}(1P)$

CMS, CMS PAS-BPH-13-005 [20.7 fb^{-1} , 8 TeV]

J/ ψ and $\psi(2S)$ polarizations

ALICE: PRL 108 (2012) 082001 [100 nb^{-1} , 7 TeV]
 CMS, PLB 727 (2013) 382 [4.9 fb^{-1} , 7 TeV]
 LHCb: EPJC 73 (2013) 2631 [0.37 fb^{-1} , 7 TeV]
 LHCb: EPJC 74 (2014) 2872 [1 fb^{-1} , 7 TeV]

Y(nS) polarizations

CMS, PRL 110 (2013) 081802 [4.9 fb^{-1} , 7 TeV]
 CDF, PRL 108 (2012) 151802 [6.7 fb^{-1} , 1.96 TeV]

Phenomenology studies of $\psi(nS)$ and $Y(nS)$ cross sections and polarizations

M. Butenschön and B. Kniehl, PRL 108 (2012) 172002
 B. Gong et al., PRL 112 (2014) 032001
 P. Faccioli et al., arXiv:1403.3970 (PLB, in Print)

*all CMS public results in:
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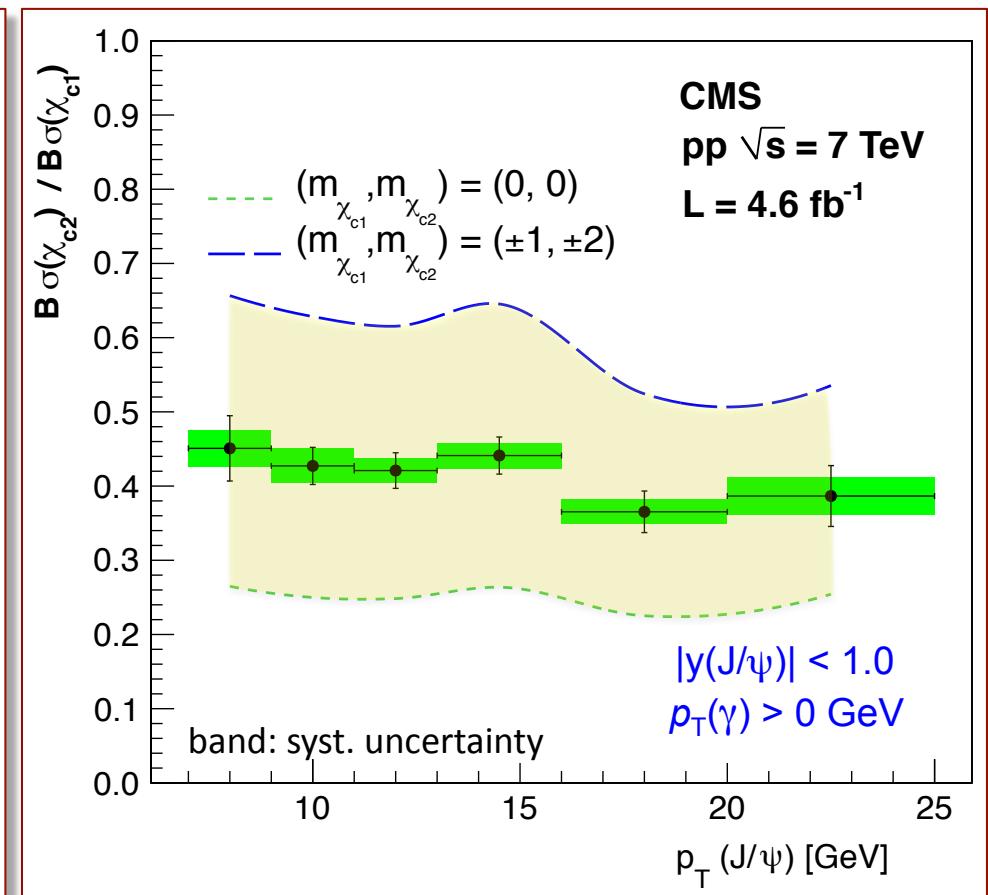
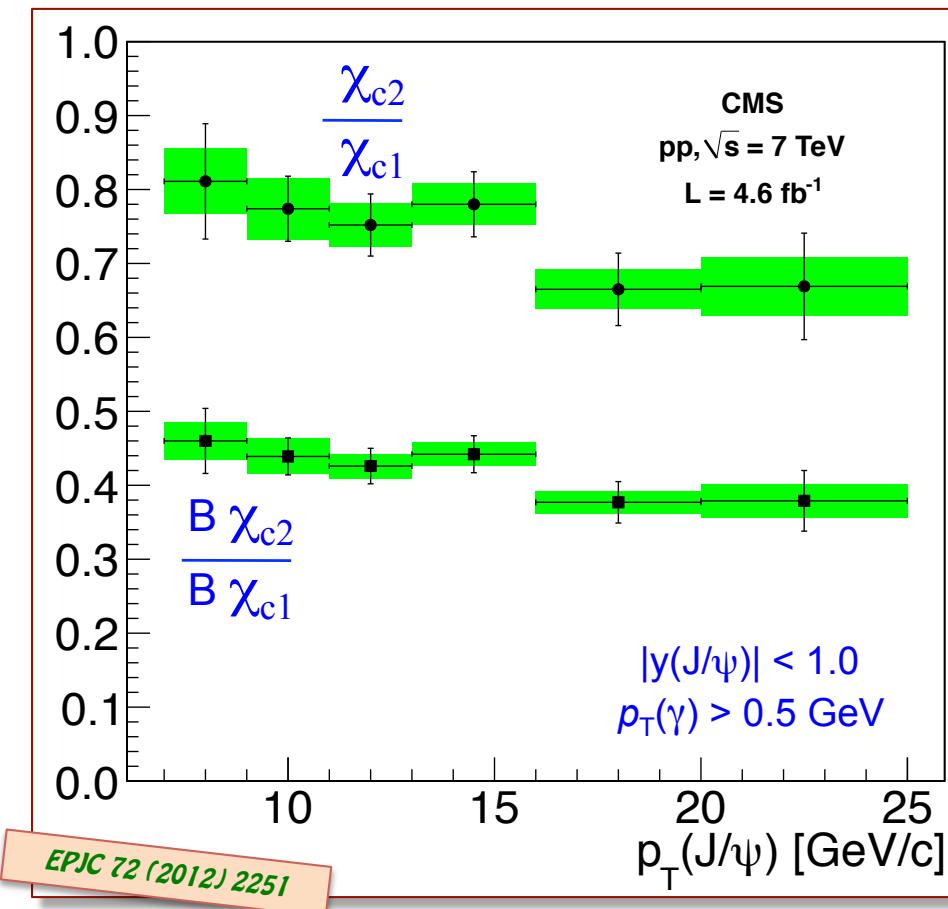
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To compare with theory calculations:

- care is needed regarding assumed polarizations, that can significantly change the result



CMS: Results on P-wave bottomonia

The $\chi_{b2}(1P) / \chi_{b1}(1P)$ cross-section ratio has been measured vs. p_T , for the first time in a hadron collider
 Systematic uncertainties are dominated by fit to mass distribution
 Mass resolution of 5 MeV resolves the two peaks, separated by only 19 MeV
 Cross-section ratio seems to be rather flat with p_T

No low- p_T increase, contrary to the theory prediction of Likhoded et al., PRD 86 (2012) 074027

