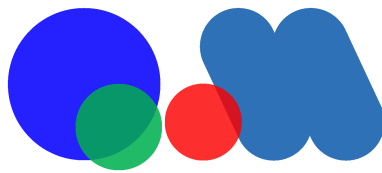


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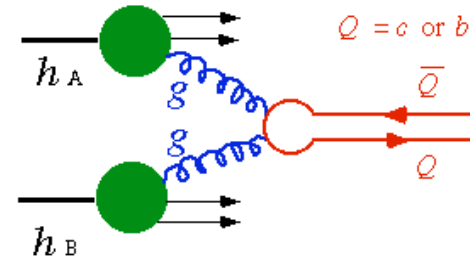
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# Motivation

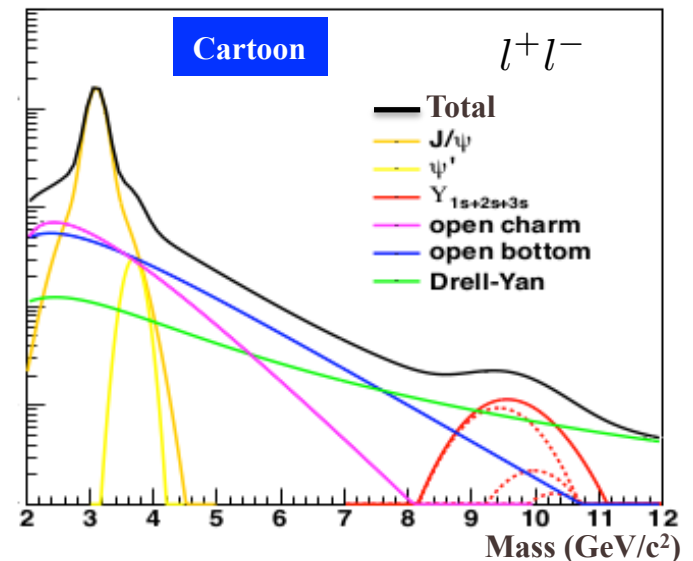
- ❖ Bottom quark production is very useful tool to test pQCD theories.

$$m_b \sim 5\text{GeV} \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$$

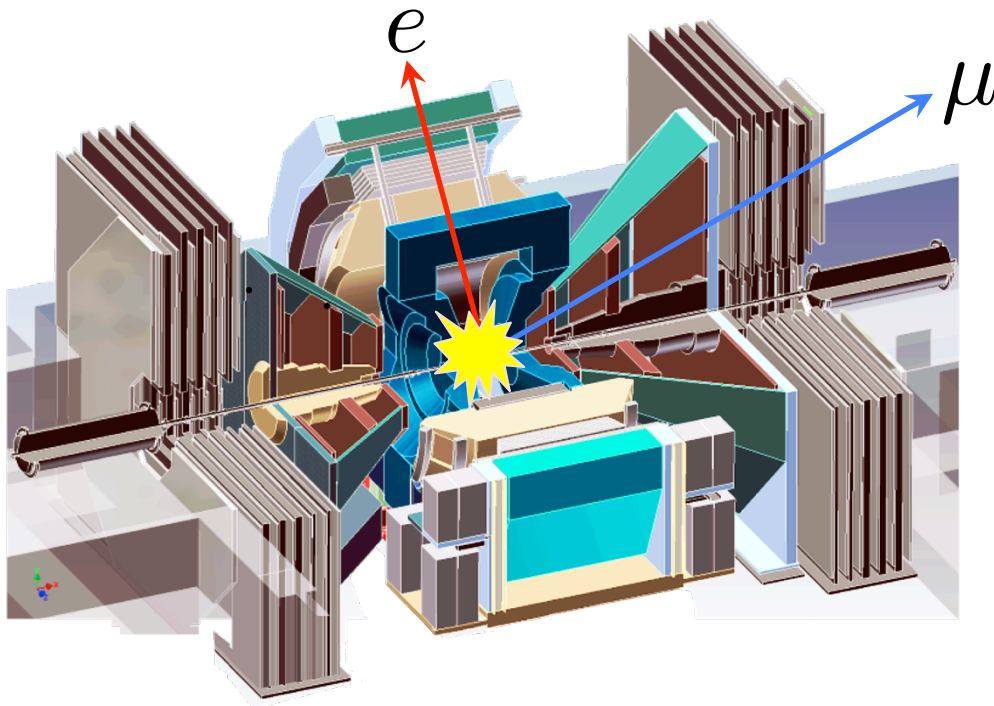


- ❖ Large semi-leptonic branching ratio  $b \rightarrow e/\mu$ , BR $\sim$ 10%.
- ❖ Focus on PHENIX open bottom measurements from di-leptons.
- ❖ Di-leptons are a unique probe

- Allow access to diverse physics signal
- Exploring the mass and  $p_T$  phase space simultaneously provides separation of charm and bottom.



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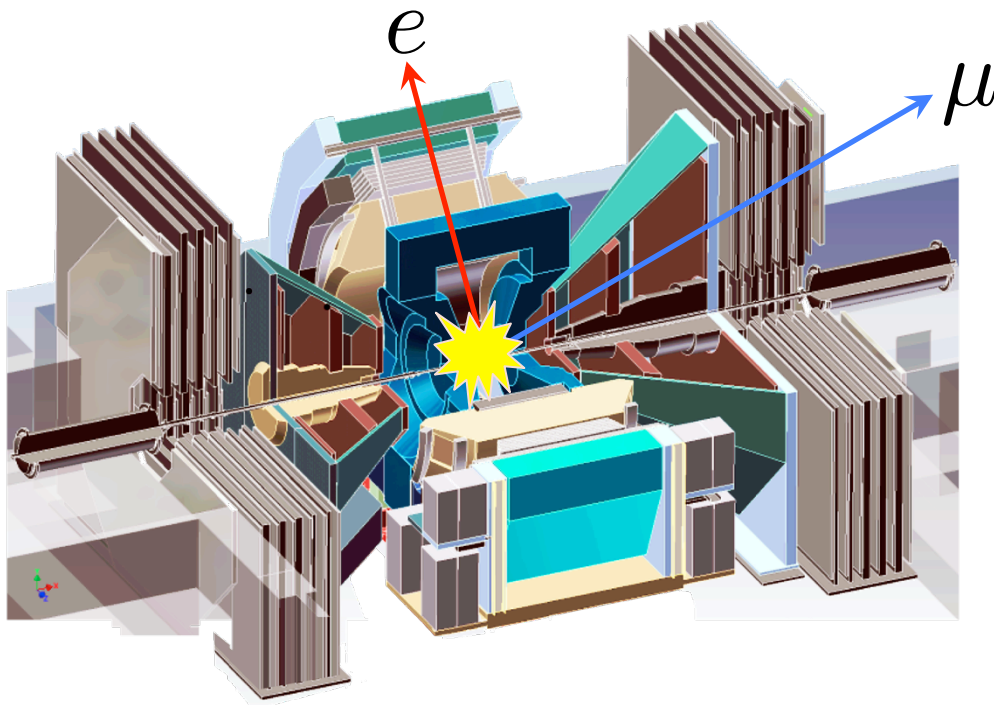
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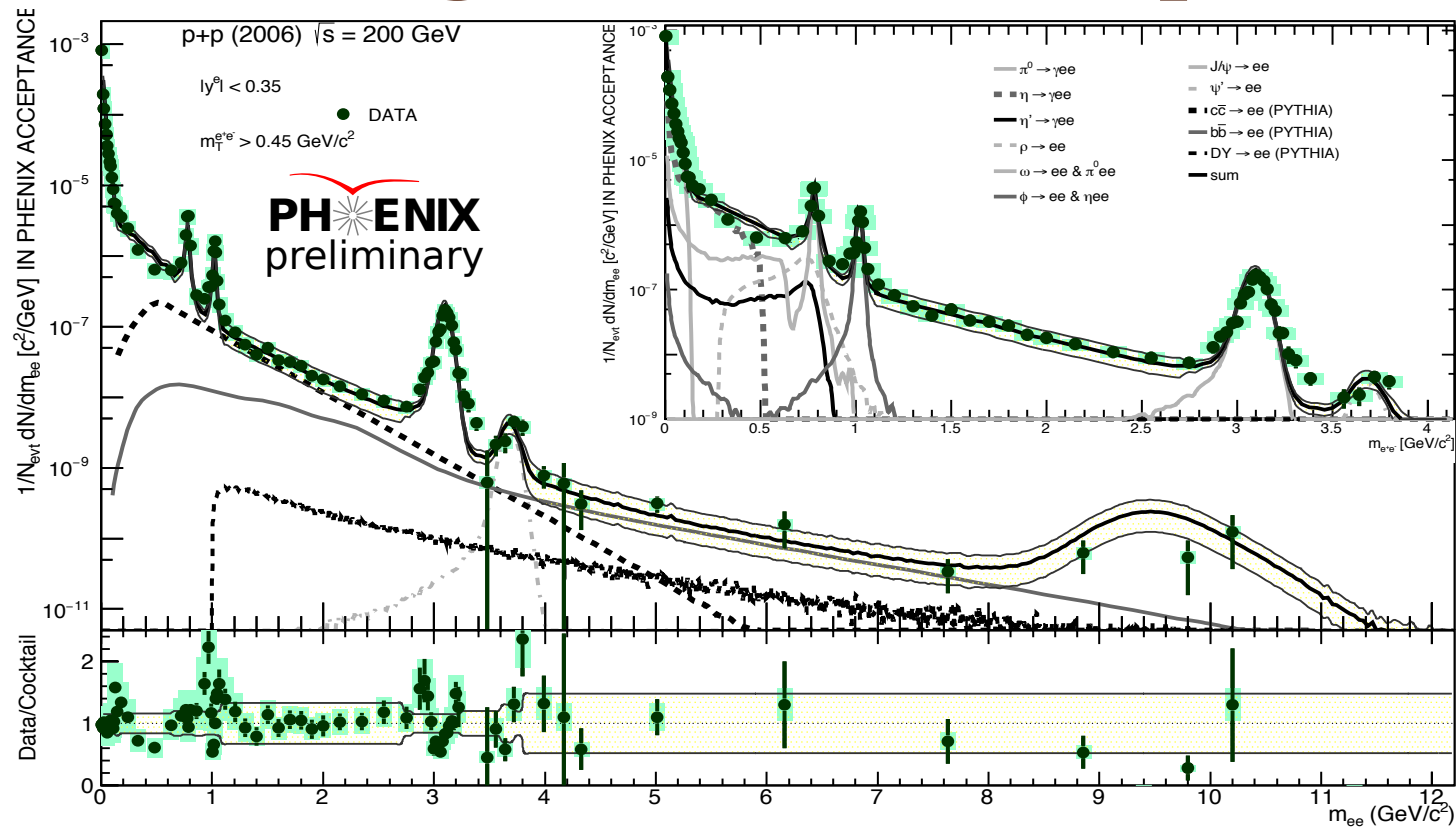
## Uniqueness:

- ❖ No secondary vertex determination required.
- ❖ Results have smaller statistical uncertainties.

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**$b\bar{b}$  measurement using unlike-sign electron pairs**

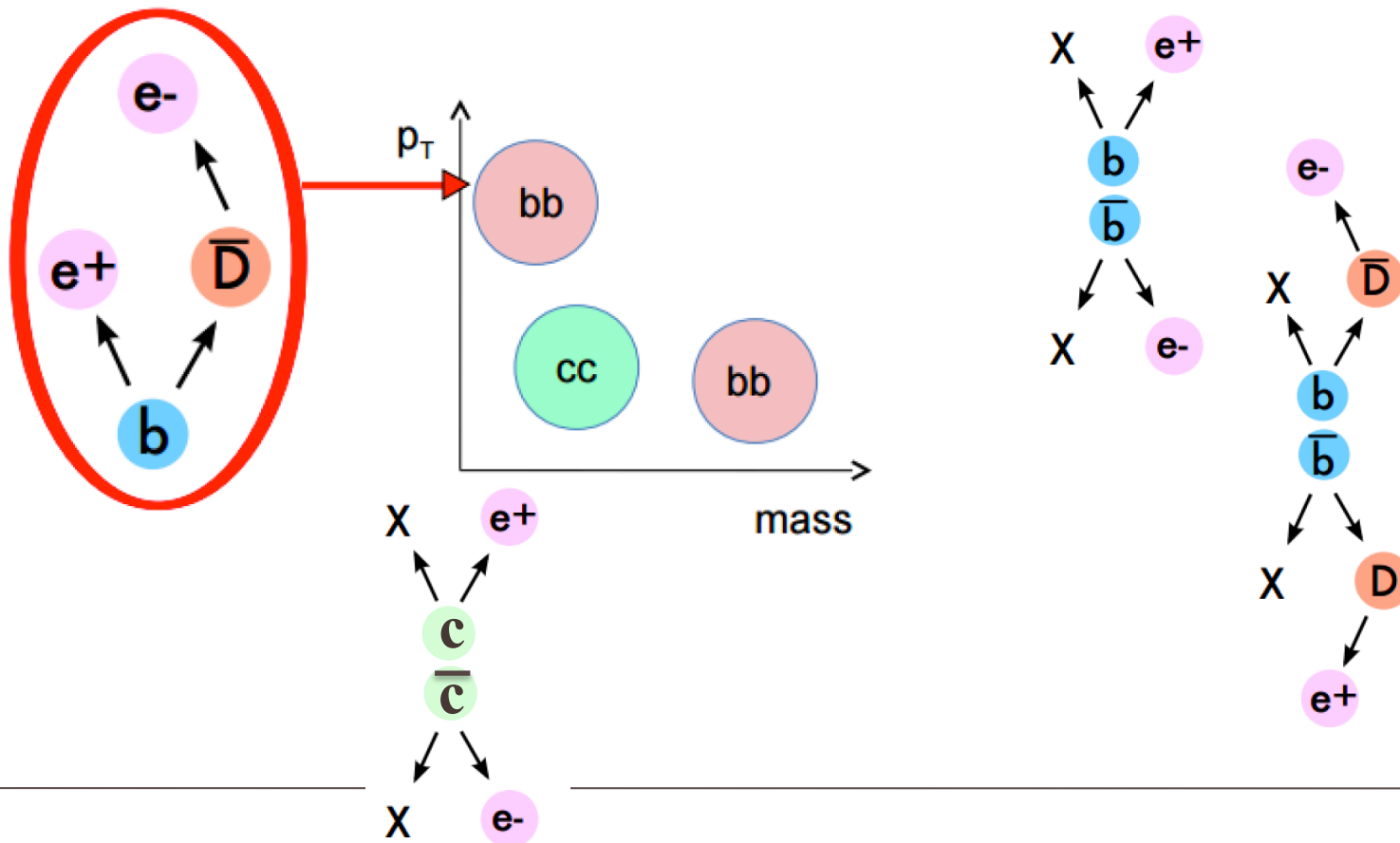
# Unlike-sign di-electron spectra



- ❖ High quality, large mass range  $e^+e^-$  pair data from 2006.
- ❖ Very well understood in terms of
  - Hadronic cocktail at low masses
  - DY, charm and bottom at high masses
- ❖ Same technique as PRC 91, 2015, 014907 (d+Au)

# Isolating charm and bottom contributions

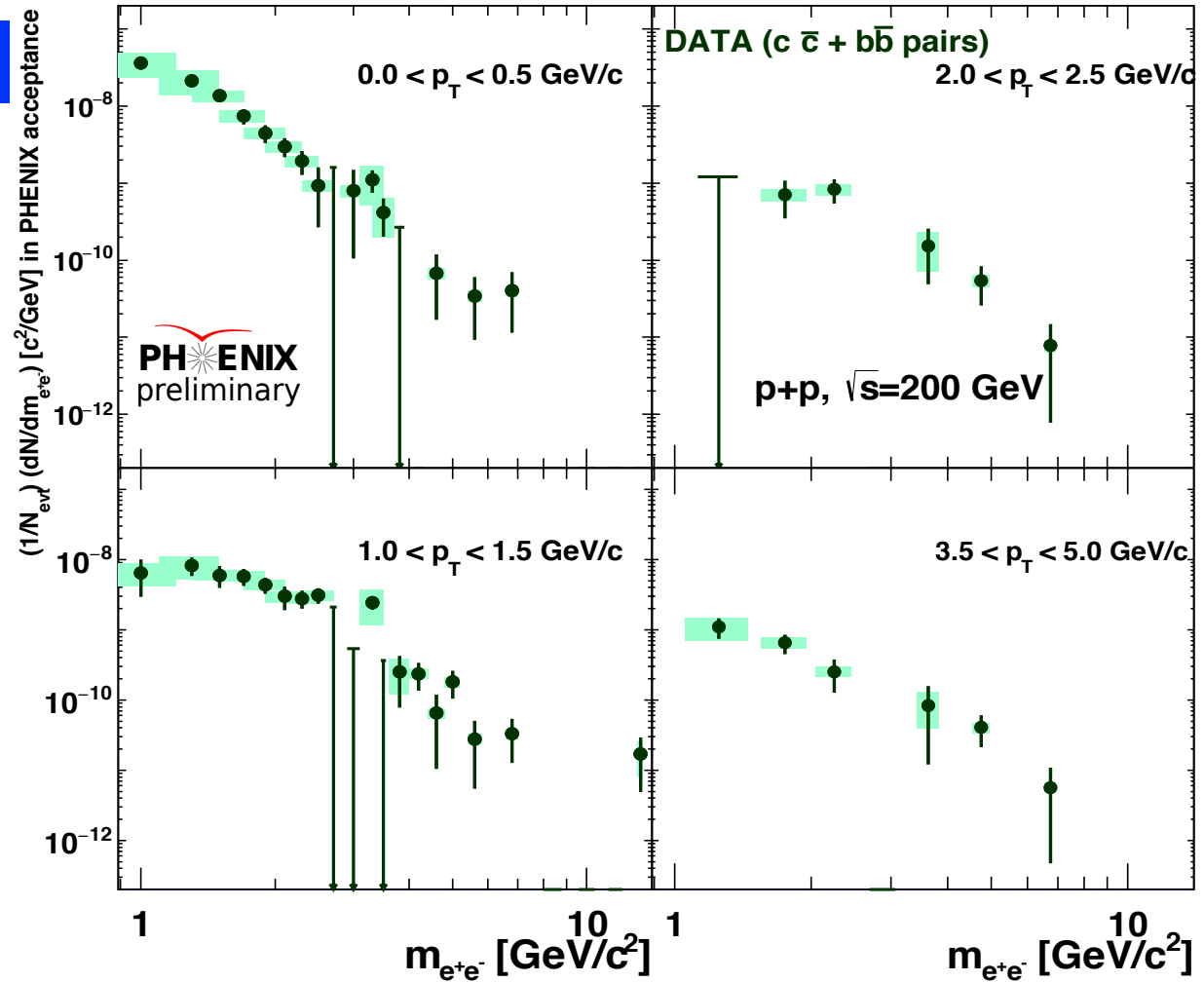
- ❖ Subtract the yield of
  - Vector and pseudo-scalar mesons
  - Drell-Yan
- ❖ Left with the electron pairs from charm and bottom.
- ❖ Separate charm and bottom by fitting mass and  $p_T$  simultaneously.



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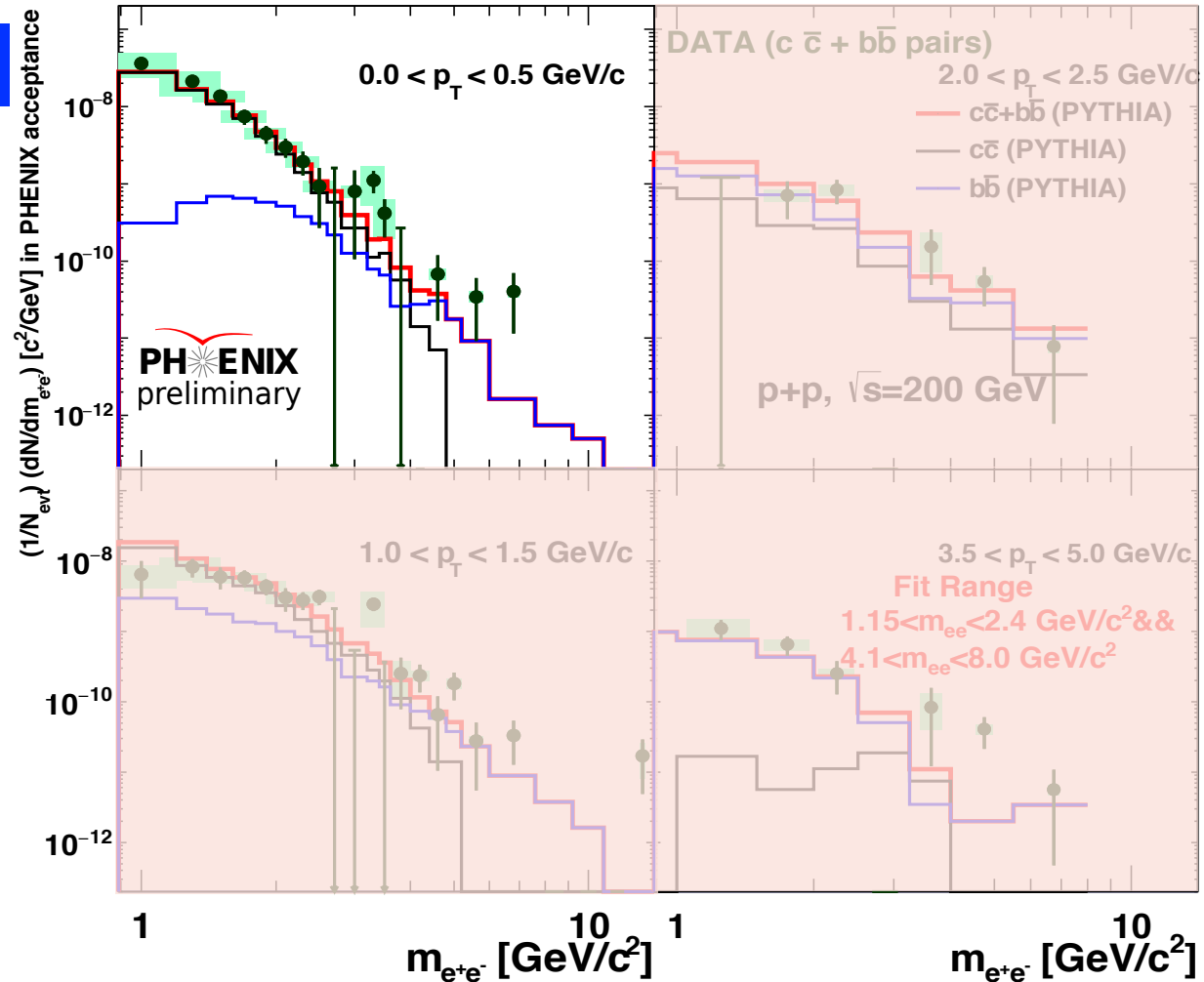
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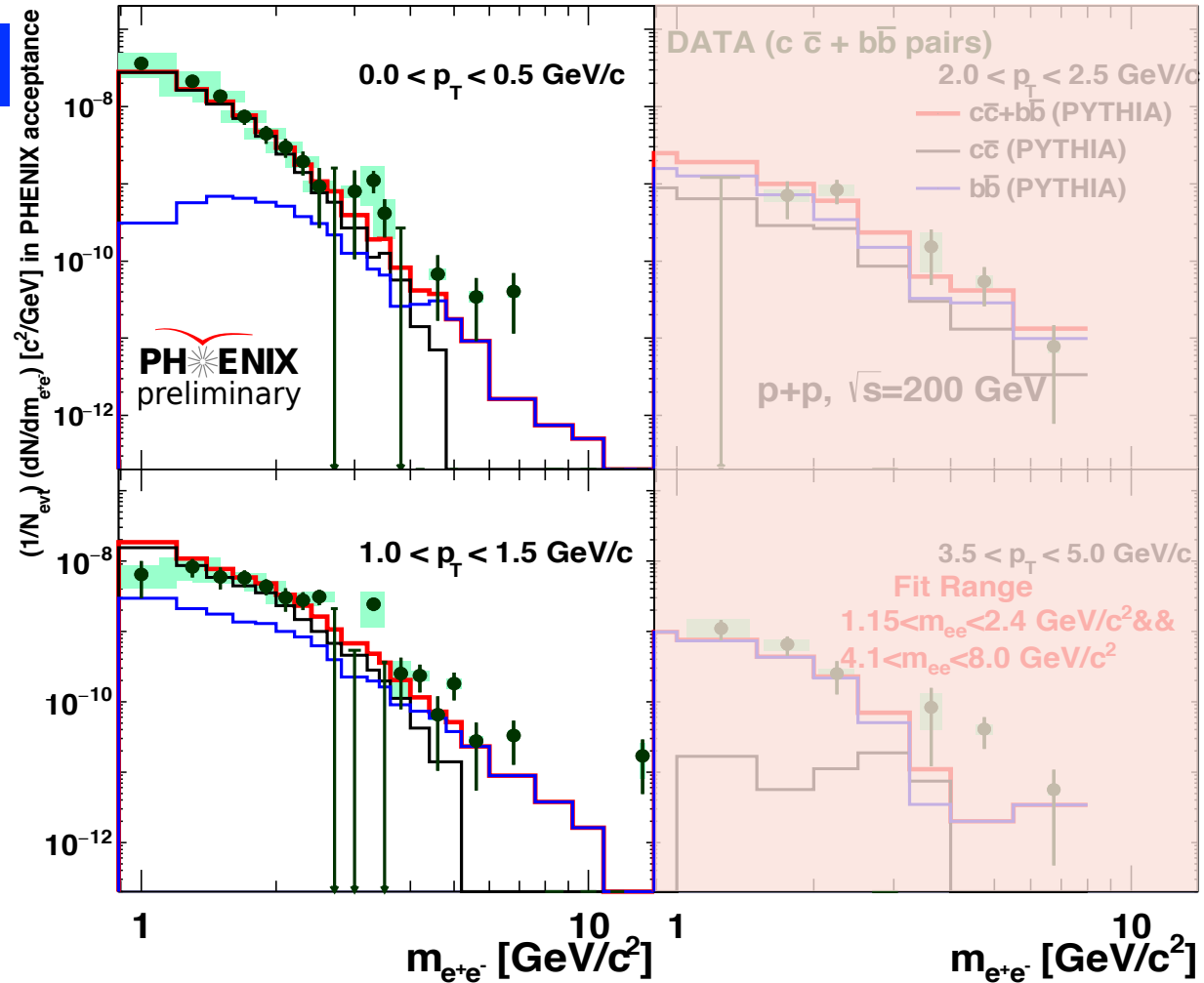
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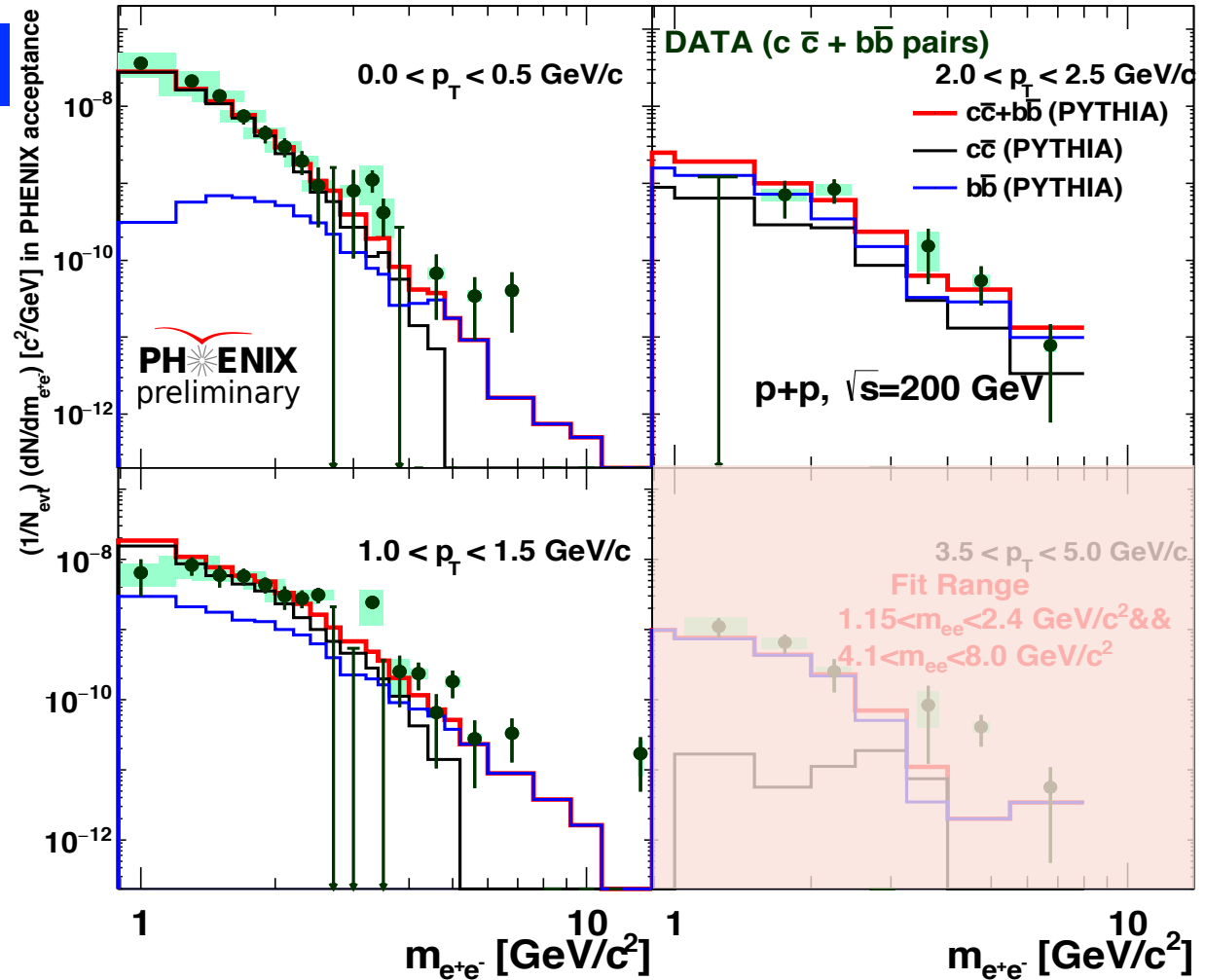
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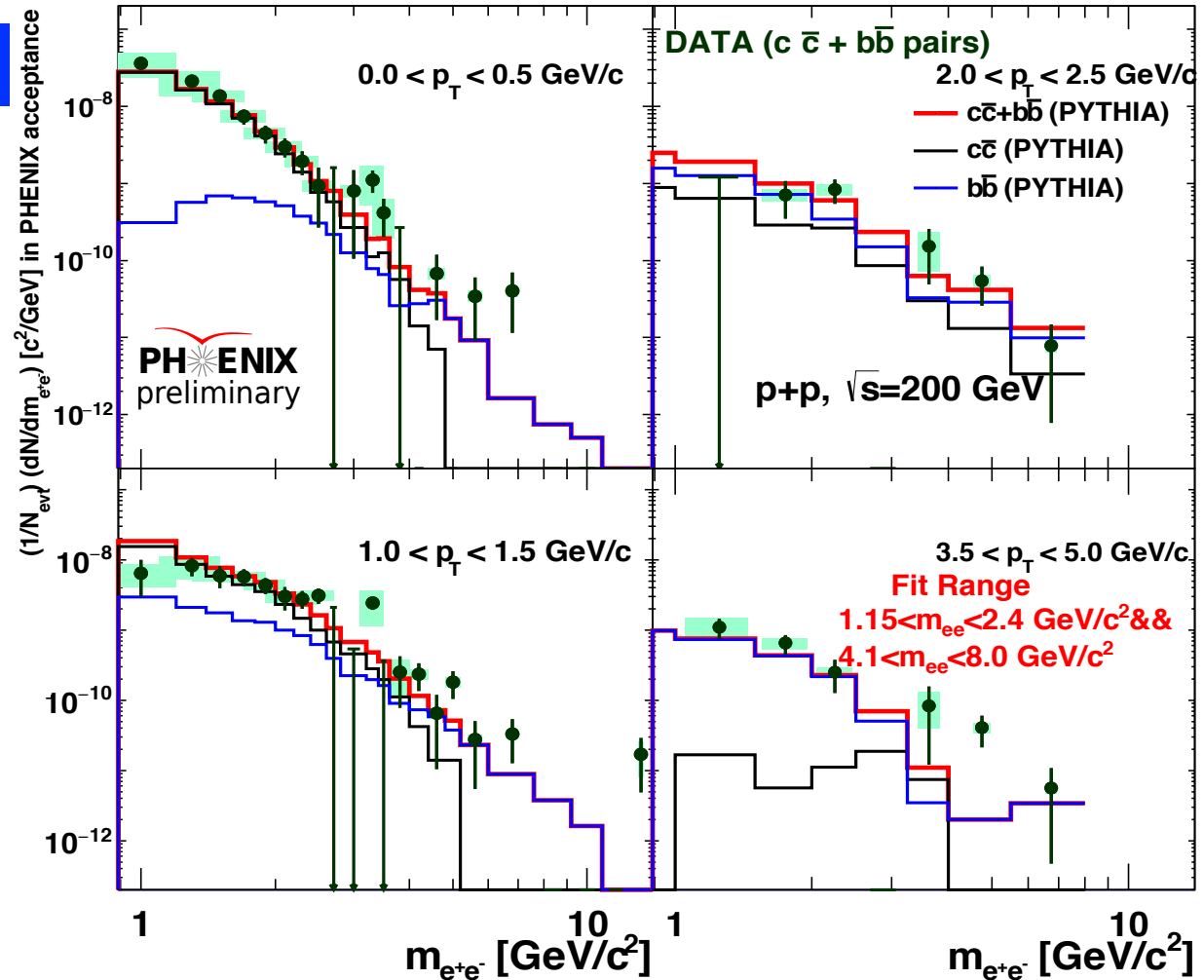
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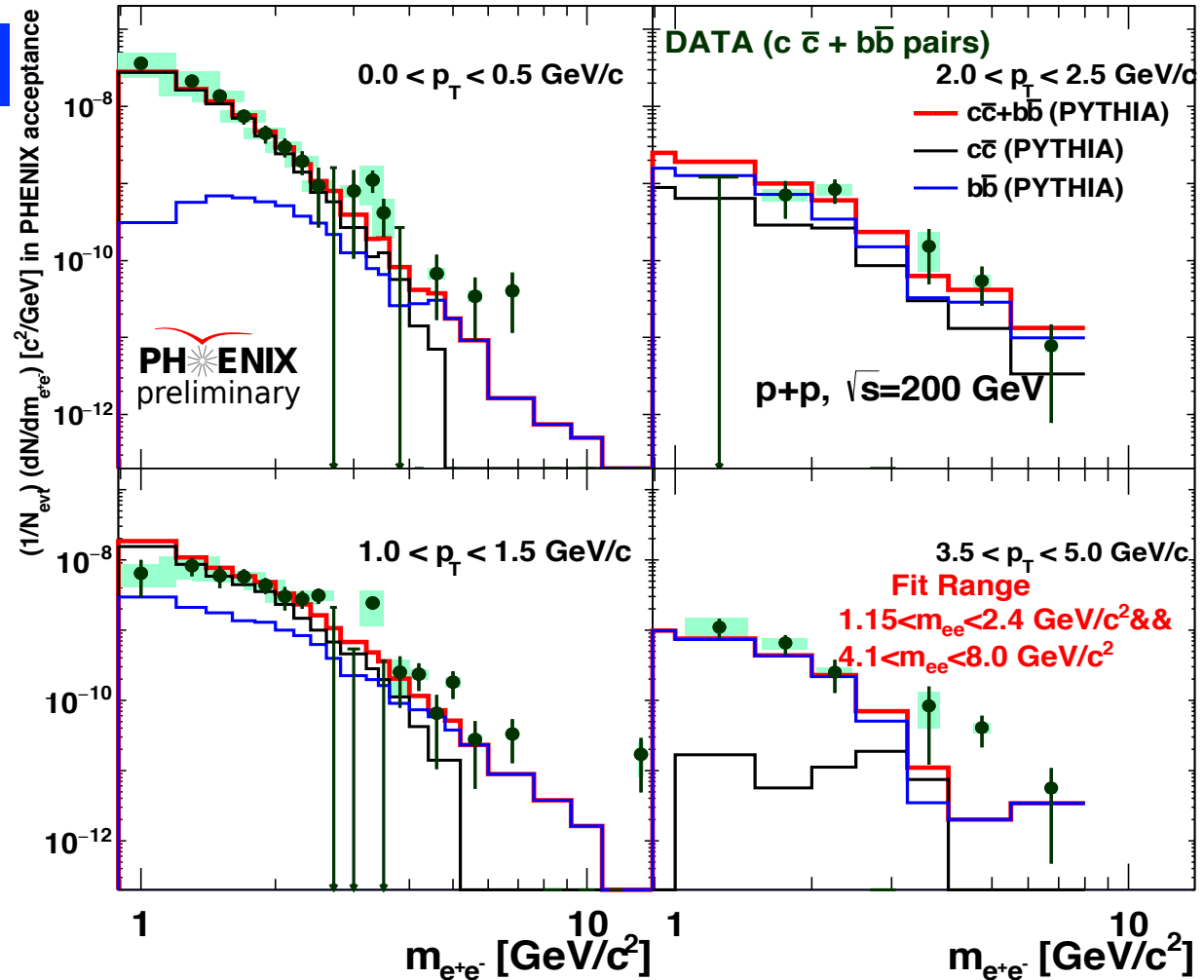
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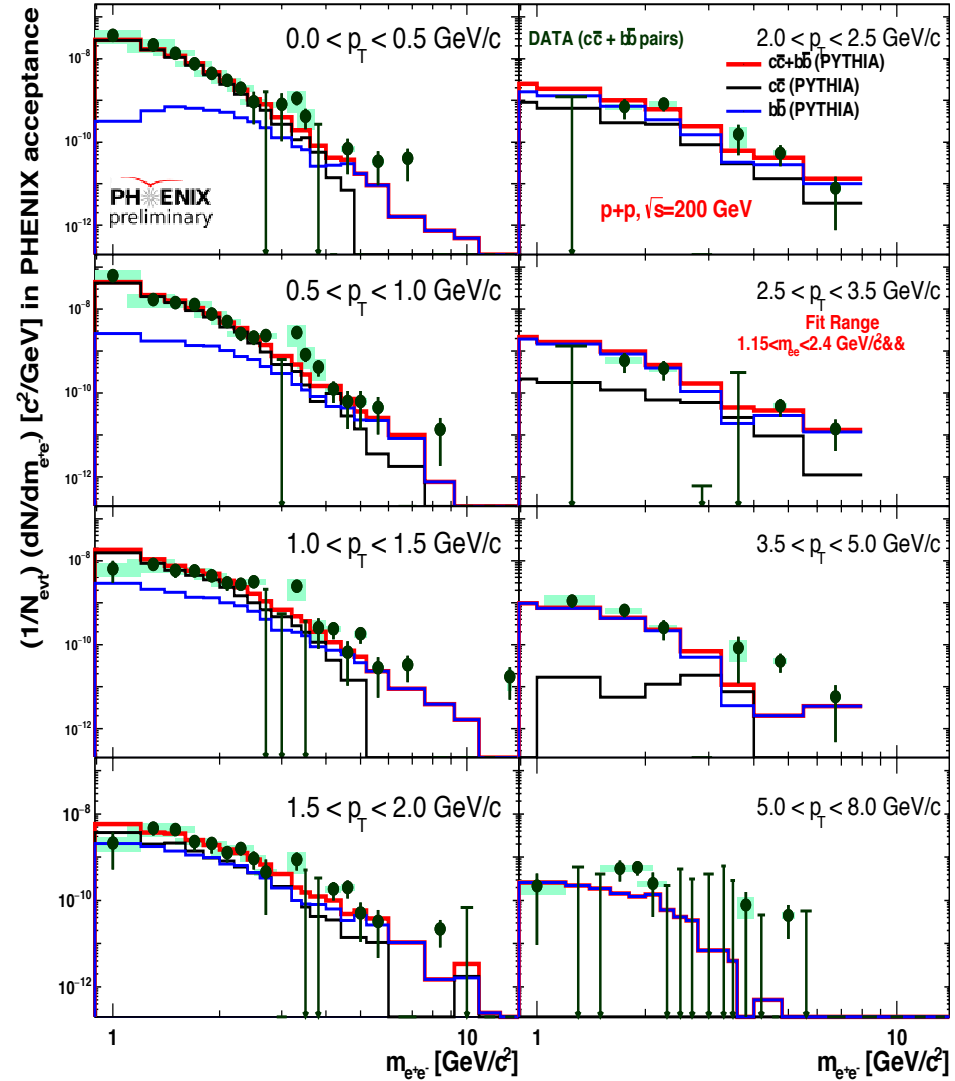
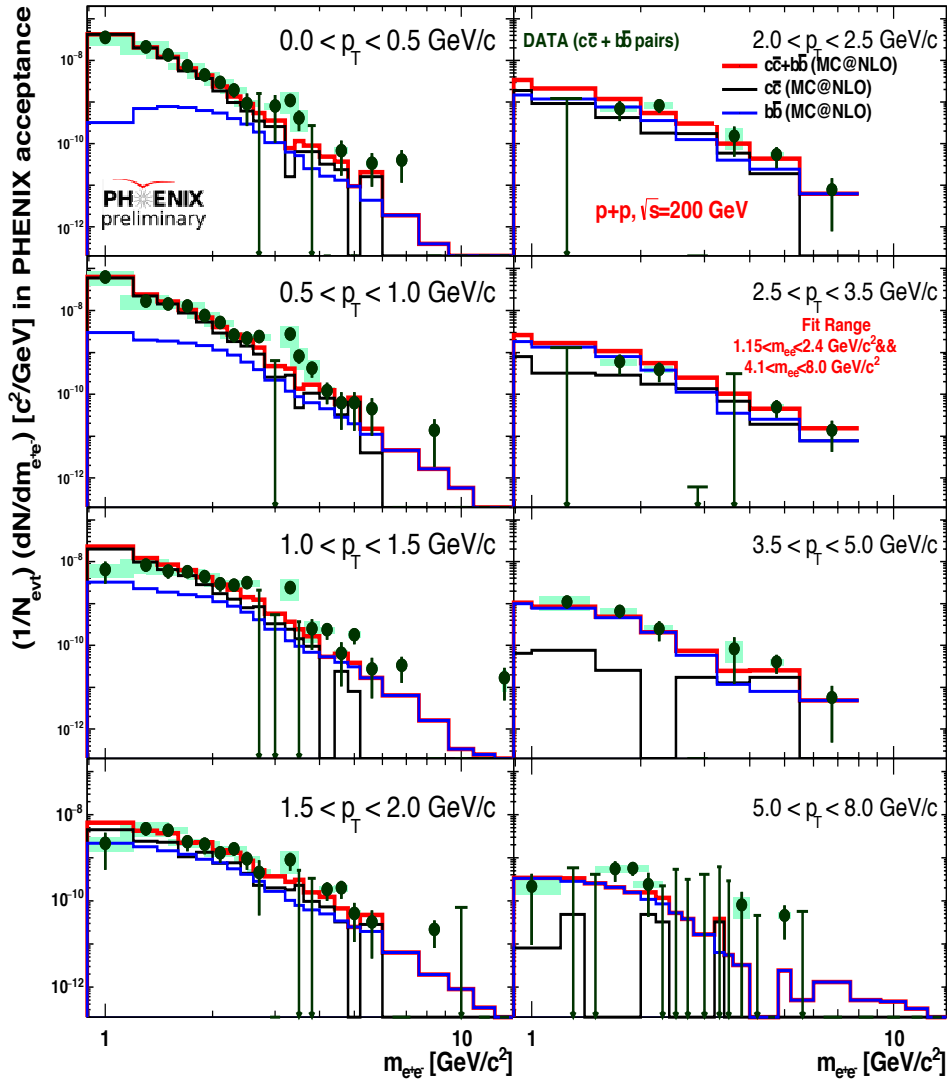


This behavior is model independent.

# Double differential spectra

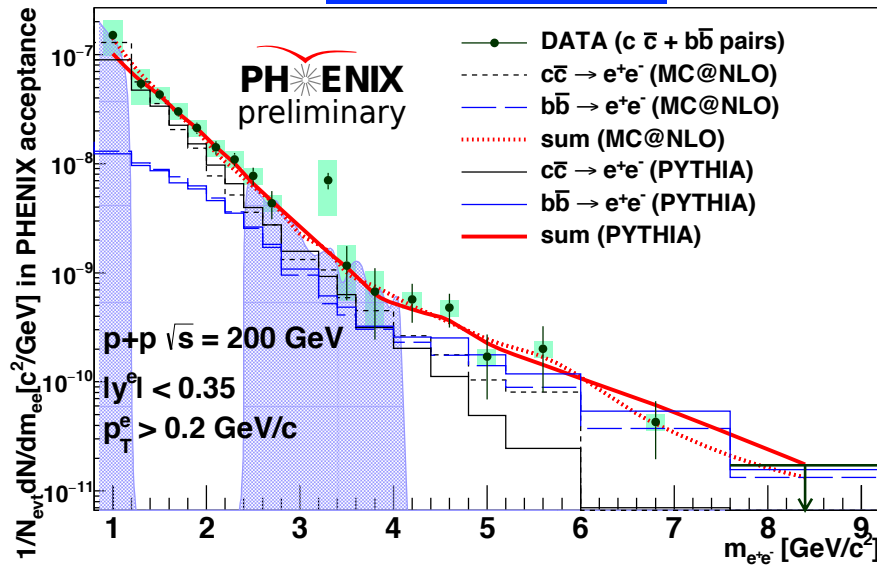
MC@NLO

PYTHIA

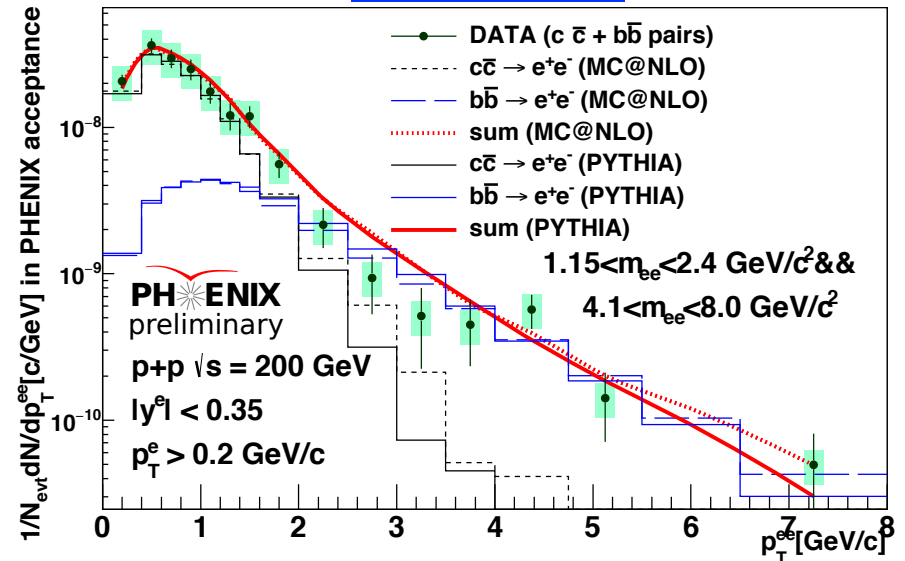


# Integrated mass and $p_T$ spectra

## Mass spectra



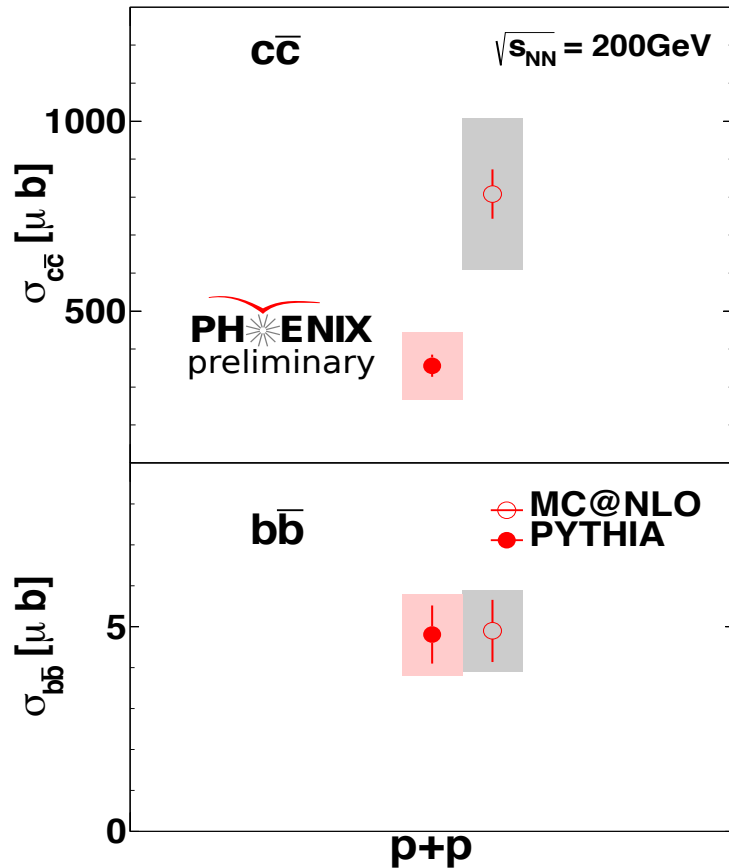
## $p_T$ spectra



$$\frac{1}{N_{\text{evt}}^{\text{MB}}} \left. \frac{dN_{ee}^{hf}}{dm dp_T} \right|_{\text{PHENIX}} = N_{c\bar{c}} \frac{dn_{ee}^{c\bar{c}}}{dm dp_T} + N_{b\bar{b}} \frac{dn_{ee}^{b\bar{b}}}{dm dp_T}$$

Both PYTHIA and MC@NLO describe the data equally well.  
 Shaded region in the mass region is excluded in the fits.

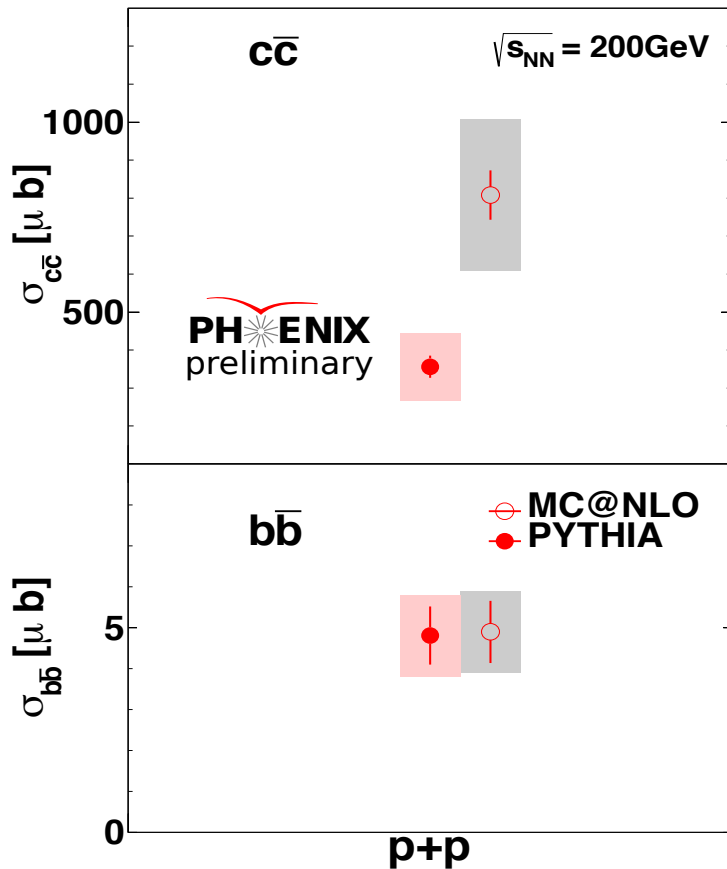
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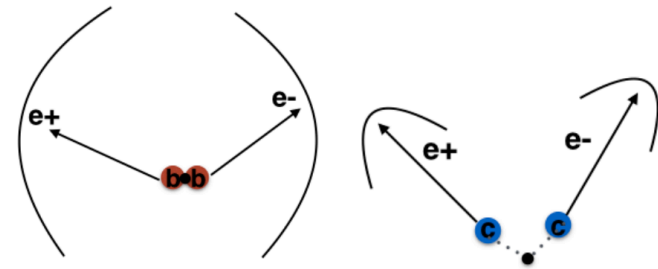


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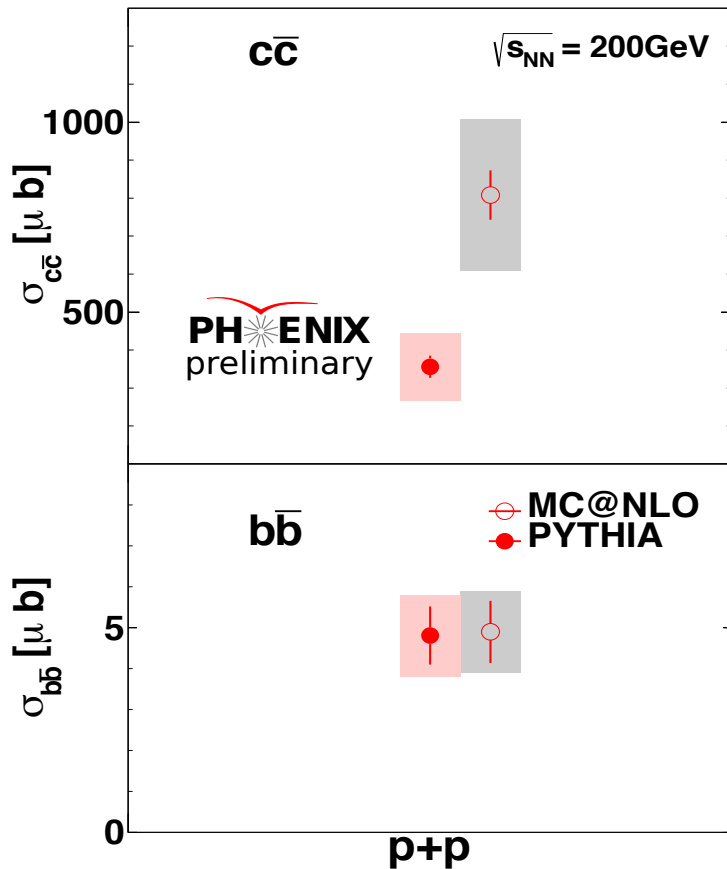
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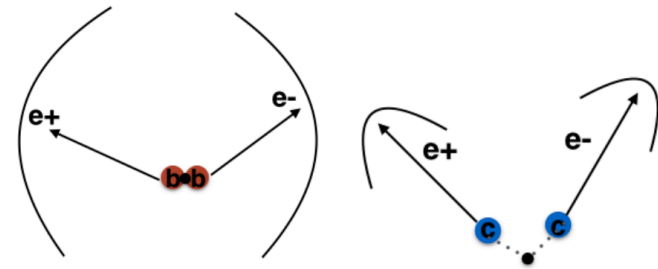


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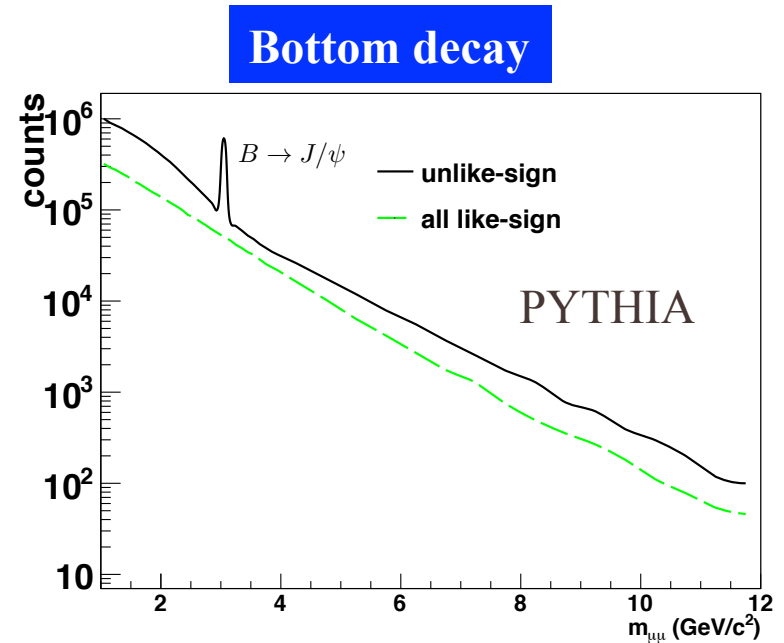
**$b\bar{b}$  measurement using like-sign muon pairs from  
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# *Advantages of like-sign pairs*

Like-sign pairs: no contamination from Quarkonia, DY or vector mesons.

Like-sign pairs consists of

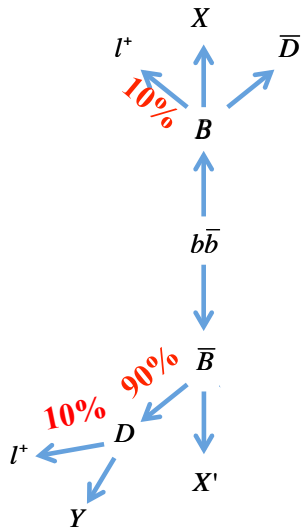
- ❖ Combinatorial pairs
  - Estimated from event mixing
- ❖ Correlated pairs
  - Charm pairs:
    - ◇ Negligible.
    - ◇ <1% in PHENIX acceptance
  - Bottom pairs.
  - Jet pairs.



Nearly half of the total bottom yield is like-sign!

# Closer look at $b$ decay

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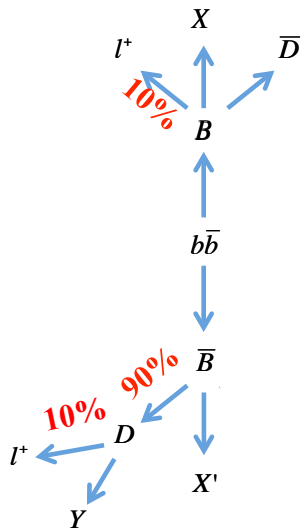
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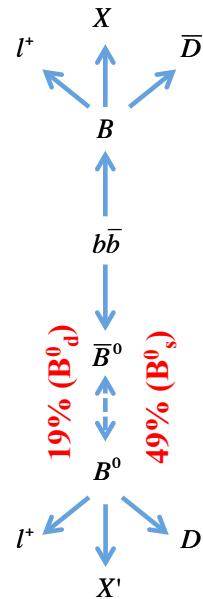
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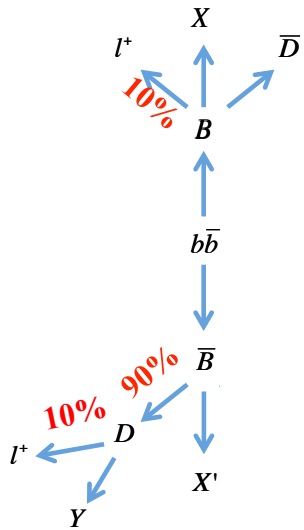
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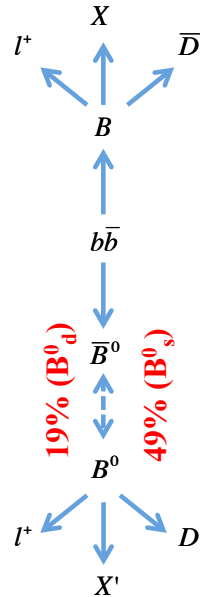
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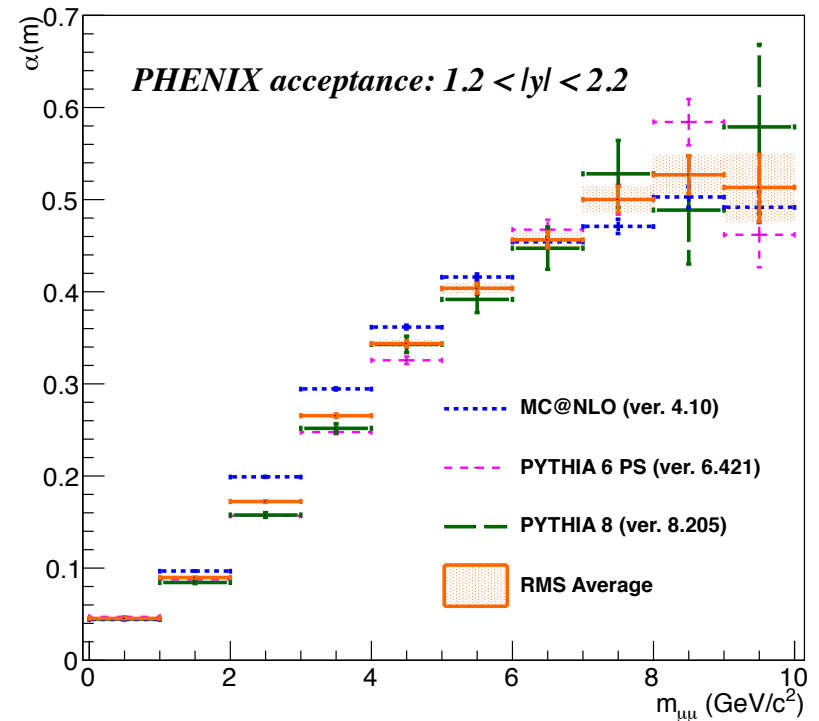
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**Total number of bottom pairs:**

$$N_{b\bar{b}} = N_{\text{primary-primary}} / (BR(B \rightarrow \mu))^2$$

Fraction of like-sign pairs comes from oscillations

$$\alpha(m) = \frac{b\bar{b} \rightarrow B\bar{B} \rightarrow \mu^\pm \mu^\pm (\text{osc})}{b\bar{b} \rightarrow B\bar{B} \rightarrow \mu^\pm \mu^\pm}$$



# Dimuons at $\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$

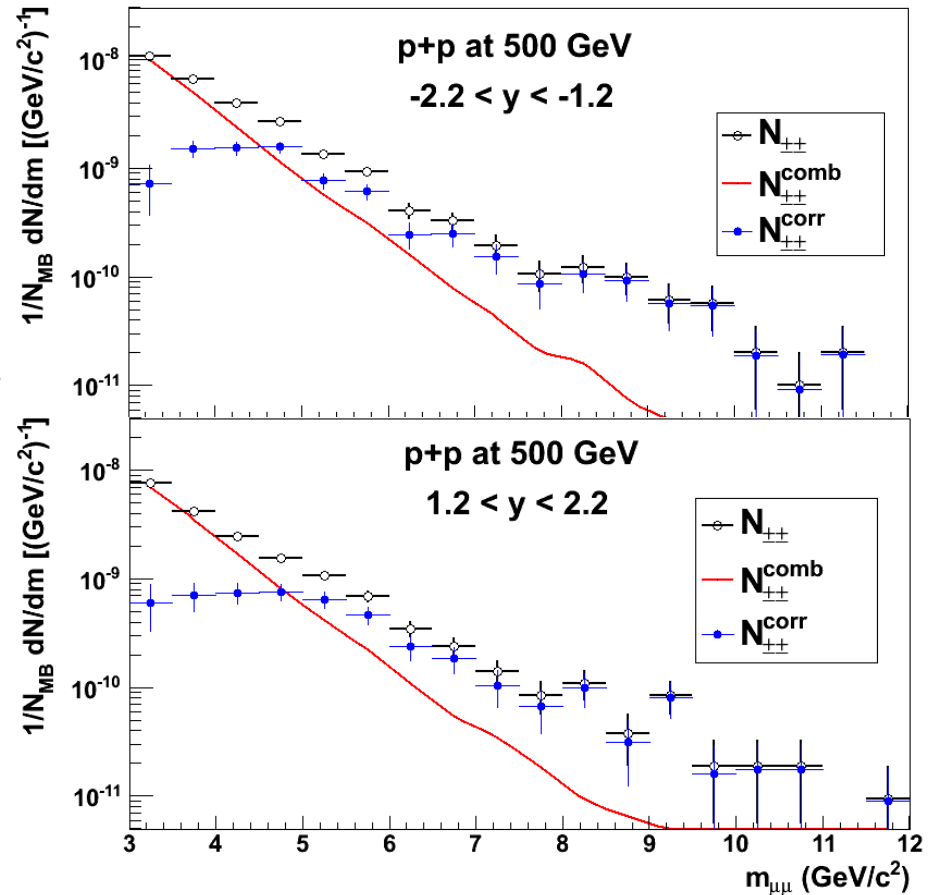
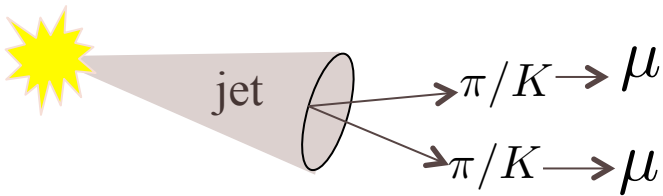
- ❖ Combinatorial background was subtracted out using event mixing method.

$$N_{\pm\pm}^{corr} = N_{\pm\pm}^{like} - N_{\pm\pm}^{mixed}$$

- ❖ In high mass region, correlated pairs contains:

- ✧ Bottom pairs
- ✧ Jet pairs

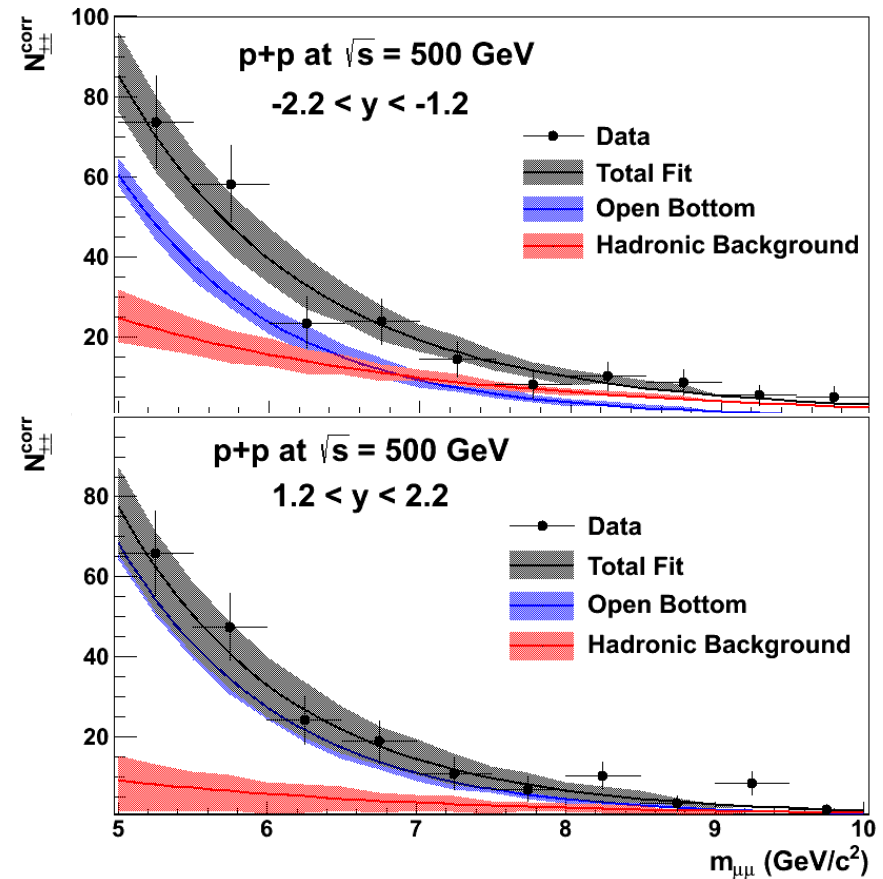
- ❖ Jet pair contribution is estimated from hadronic simulation



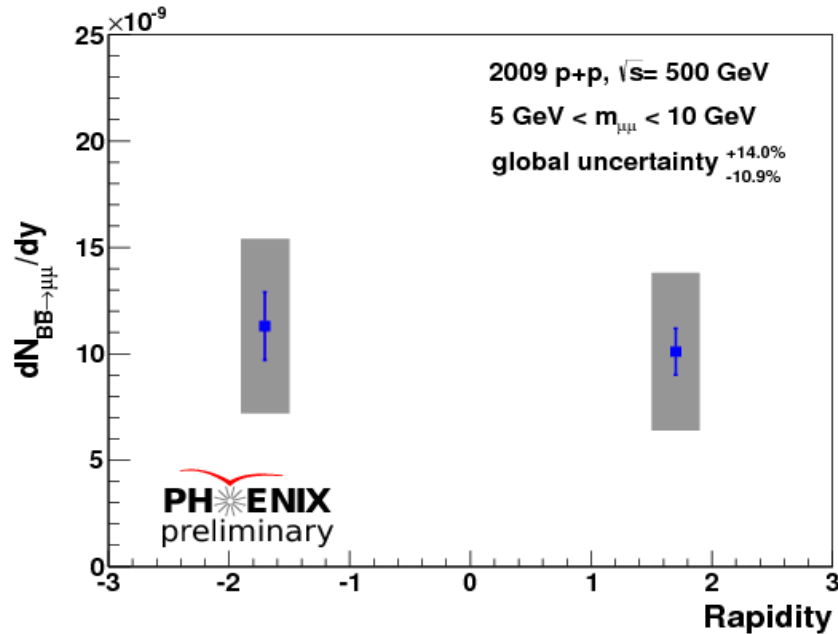


# Extracting the bottom contribution

- ❖ Mass region between 5 and 10 GeV
  - B oscillation pairs dominate
- ❖ Slopes were fixed from simulation.
- ❖ Extracted hadronic and open bottom contribution.
- ❖ Forward/backward rapidity hadronic background differ due to different amount of absorber material.



# Total cross-section



## Bottom cross-section from primary-primary decay

$$N_{\pm\pm}^{osc} = \alpha(m) * N_{\pm\pm}^{B,corr}$$

$$N_{BB \rightarrow \mu\mu} = N_{\pm\pm}^{osc} * \left( \frac{1}{\beta} \right)$$

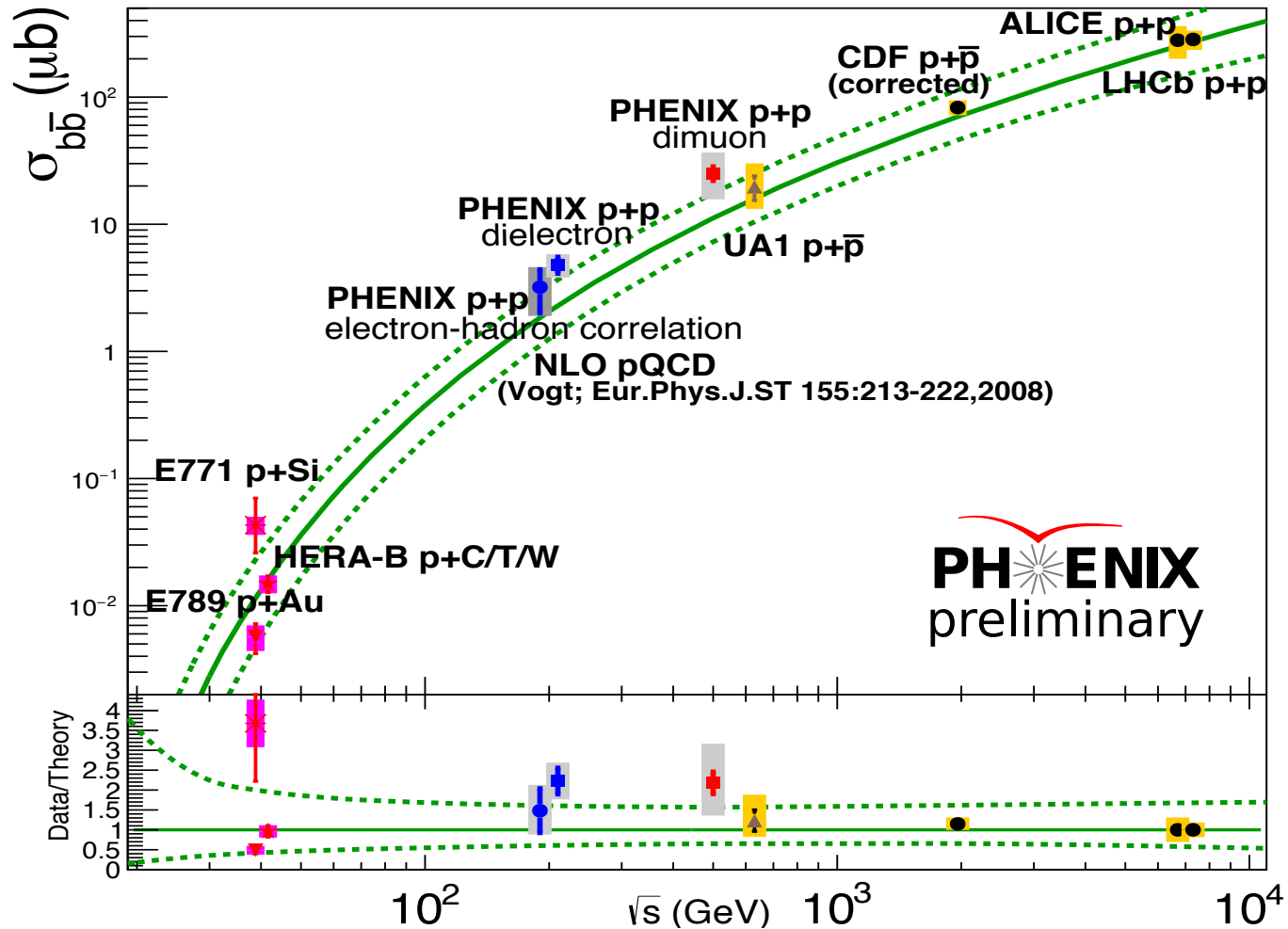
$\beta$  is the fraction of primary-primary B decay from oscillation.

Total cross-section:

$$\sigma_{bb} = \frac{d\sigma_{bb \rightarrow \mu\mu}}{dy} * \frac{1}{scale} * \frac{1}{BR_{(B \rightarrow \mu)}^2}$$

Extrapolated using PYTHIA (scale~0.2%) to calculate the total cross-section.

# Global perspective



Results are consistent with the NLO pQCD calculation within uncertainties.

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# BACKUP

# *D* oscillation

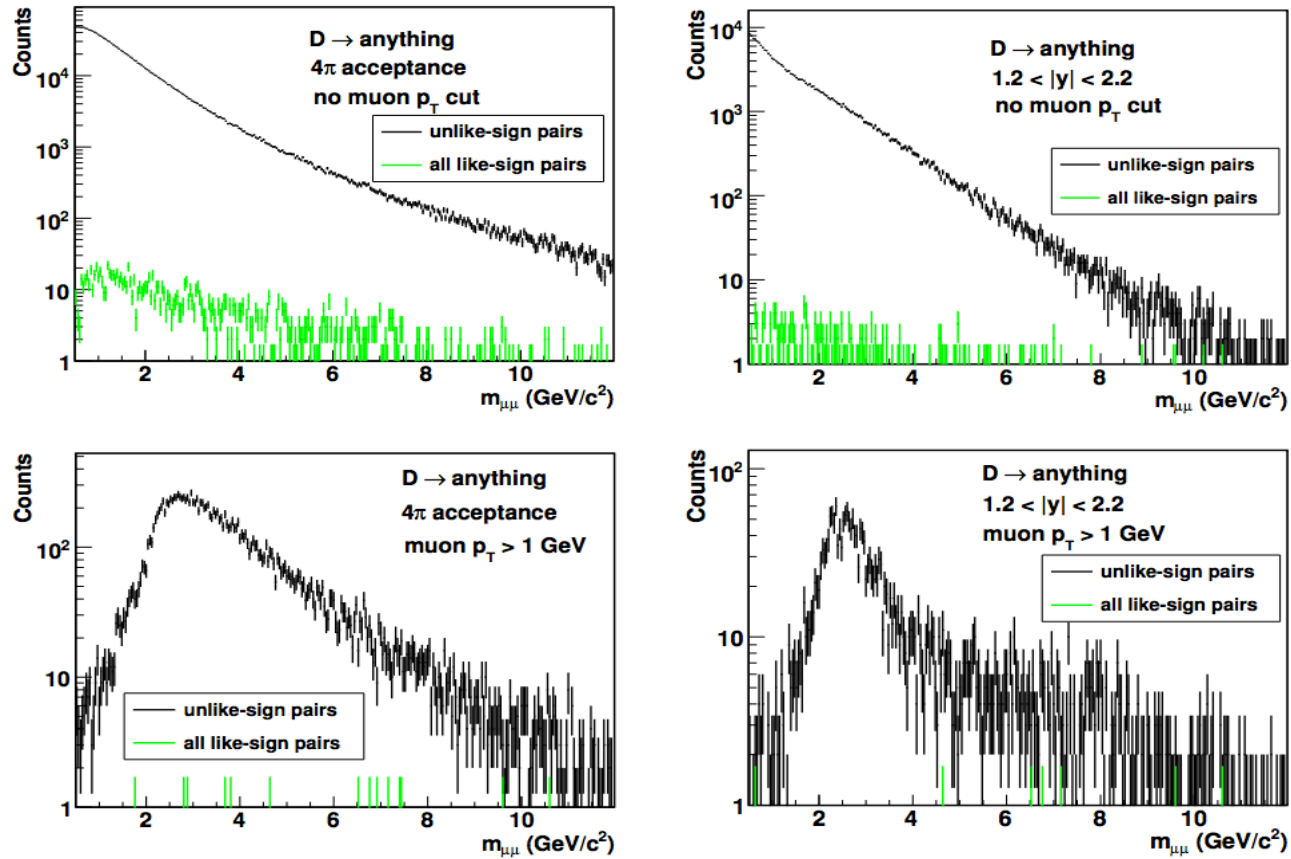
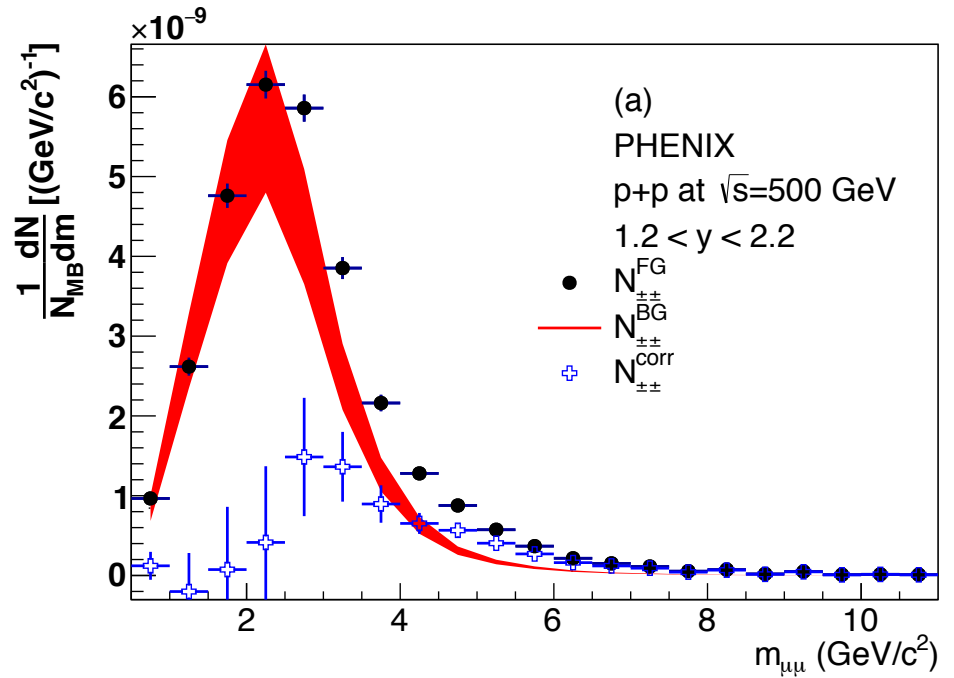
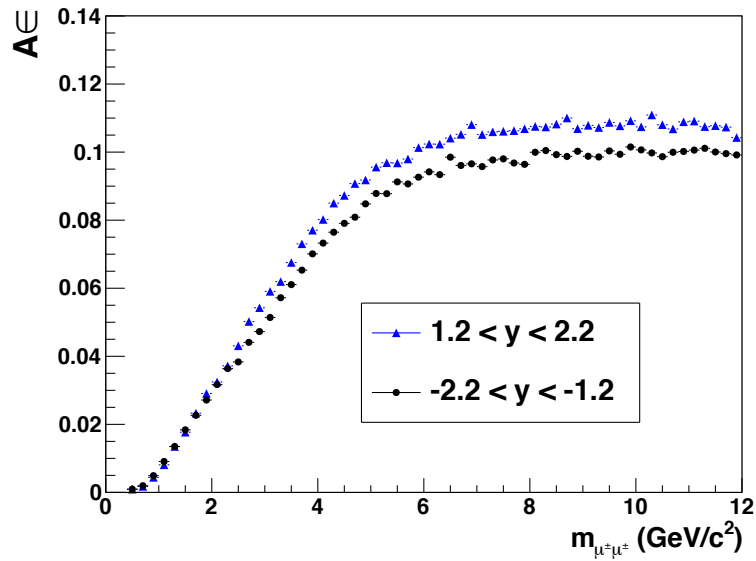


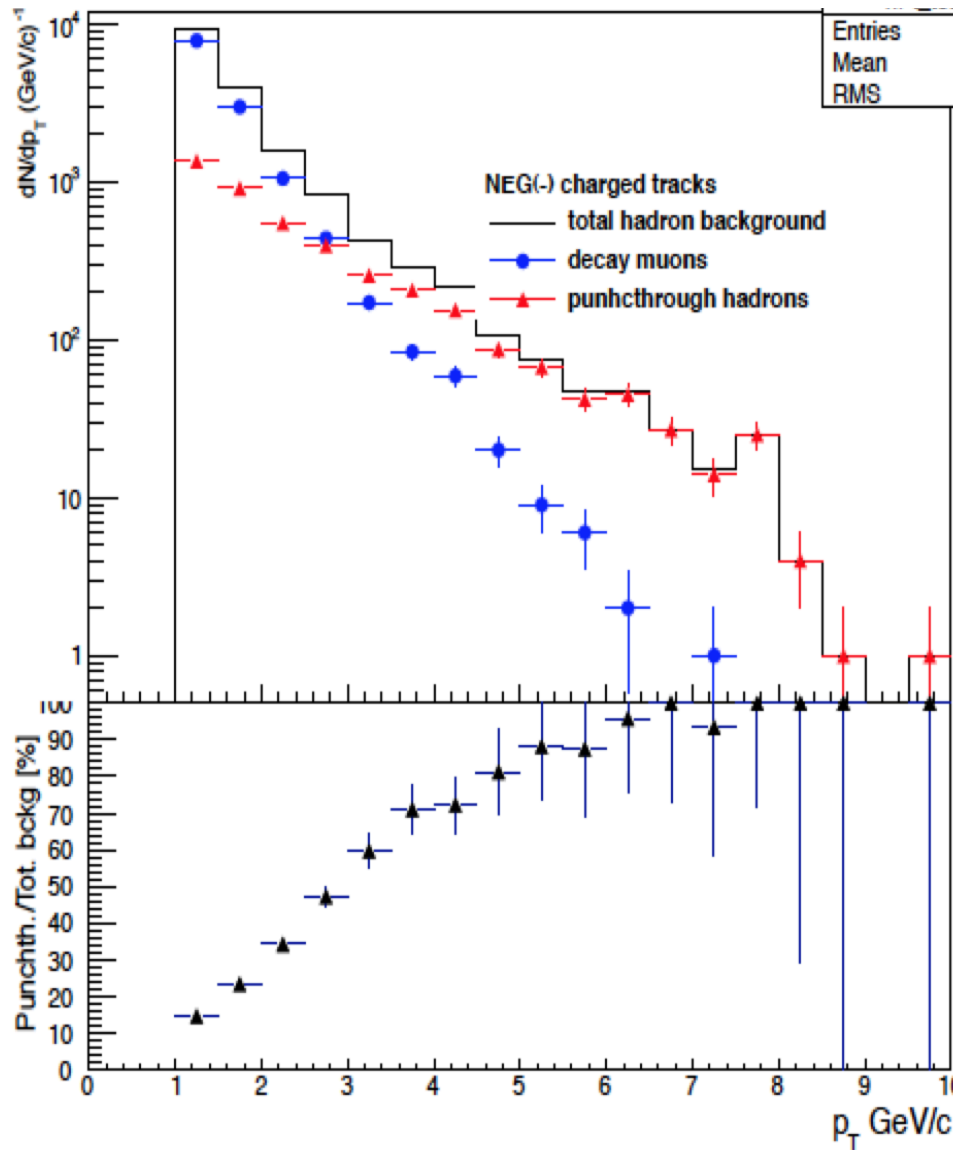
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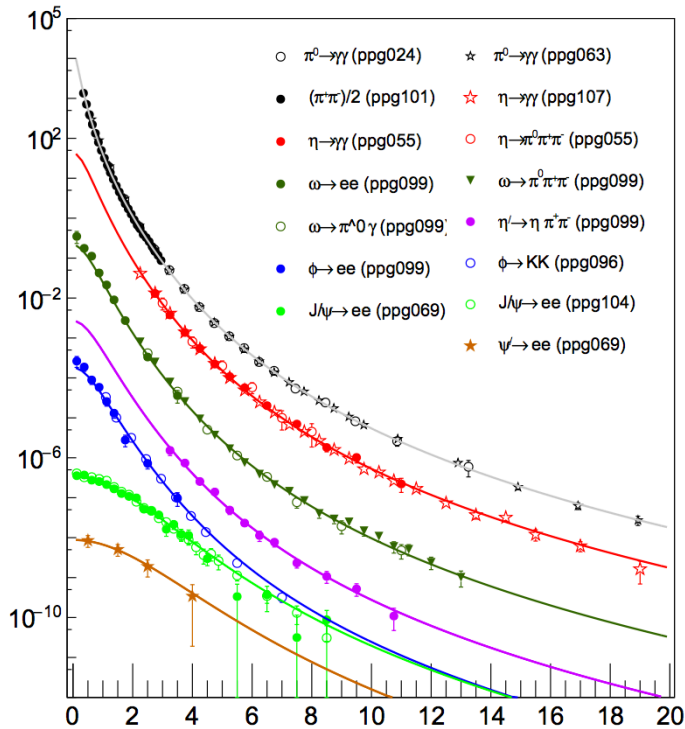




# Hadron background



# cocktail



Systematic source | Uncertainty (Mass  $\leq 1.0$  GeV/c<sup>2</sup>) | Uncertainty (Mass  $> 1.0$  GeV/c<sup>2</sup>)

Data systematics		
eID	15%	10%
ERT	10%	3%
Fiducials	8.6%	
$\alpha$ - correction	5%	
Cocktail systematics		
Hadronic cocktail	20%	
$c\bar{c}$ cross-section	32%	
$b\bar{b}$ cross-section	36%	