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## PHENIX measurement of $b\bar{b}$ production in $p+p$ collisions

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PHENIX has measured the  $b\bar{b}$  production cross section in  $p+p$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 500$  GeV. In the absence of displaced-vertex  $b$ -tagging, this is made possible by exploiting the properties of  $B^0 - \bar{B}^0$  oscillations. Like-sign muon pairs in the PHENIX muon arms are measured in order to extract this signal. We report the  $b\bar{b}$  differential cross section in the rapidity range  $1.2 < |y| < 2.2$ , for dimuon masses in the range  $5-10$  GeV/ $c^2$ , and extrapolate to the total-production cross section.

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