

# Cold nuclear effects in quarkonium production

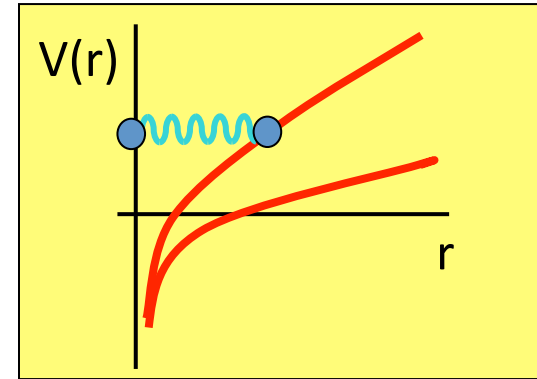
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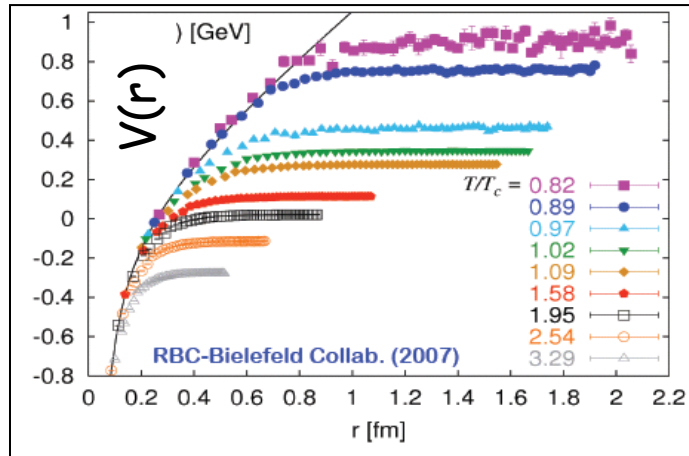
# Quarkonia original motivation: Debye screening & QGP

Potential between q-anti-q pair grows linearly at large distances

$$V(r) = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} + kr$$

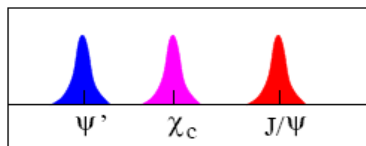


**Screening** of long range confining potential at high enough temperature or density.

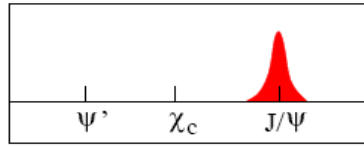


What happens when the range of the binding force becomes smaller than the radius of the state?

Different states “melting” at different temperatures due to different binding energies.

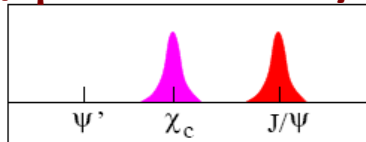


$T < T_c$

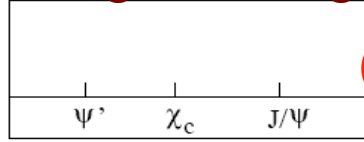


$T \sim 1.1 T_c$

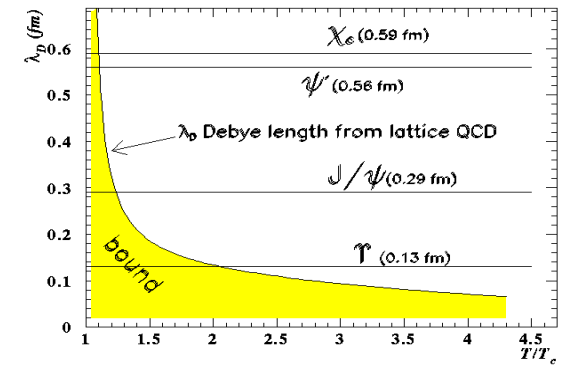
**J/ψ destruction by Debye screening => QGP signature**



$T \sim T_c$



$T \gg T_c$



## ...but the story is not so simple

- Can the **melting temperature**(s) be uniquely determined ?
- Are there effects that can induce an **enhancement** of quarkonium?
- Are there any **other effects**, not related to colour screening, that may induce a **suppression** of quarkonium states ?
- Do experimental observations fit in a **coherent picture**?

# Charmonia/bottomonia topics

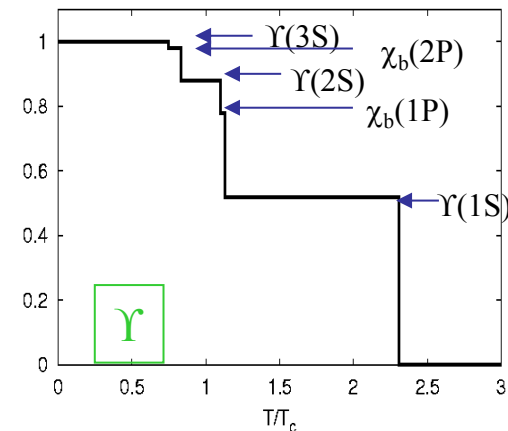
## Three main topics

### Sequential suppression

Charmonium  $\rightarrow J/\psi, \psi_c, \psi(2S)$

Bottomonium  $\Upsilon \rightarrow (1S), \Upsilon(2S), \Upsilon(3S), \chi_b$

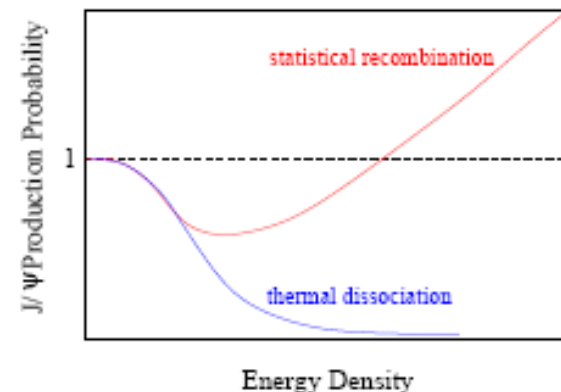
Relying on **theory** for connection with temperature



## Two competing mechanisms

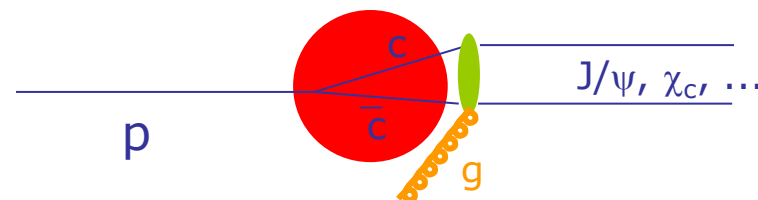
Color screening  $\rightarrow$  suppression

(Re)-combination  $\rightarrow$  enhancement



## Cold nuclear matter effects

Shadowing, absorption, comovers  
Description/understanding of  
underlying mechanisms difficult



Scomparin, QM2014

# Present situation: Bottomonia in AA at RHIC and LHC

LHC

RHIC

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

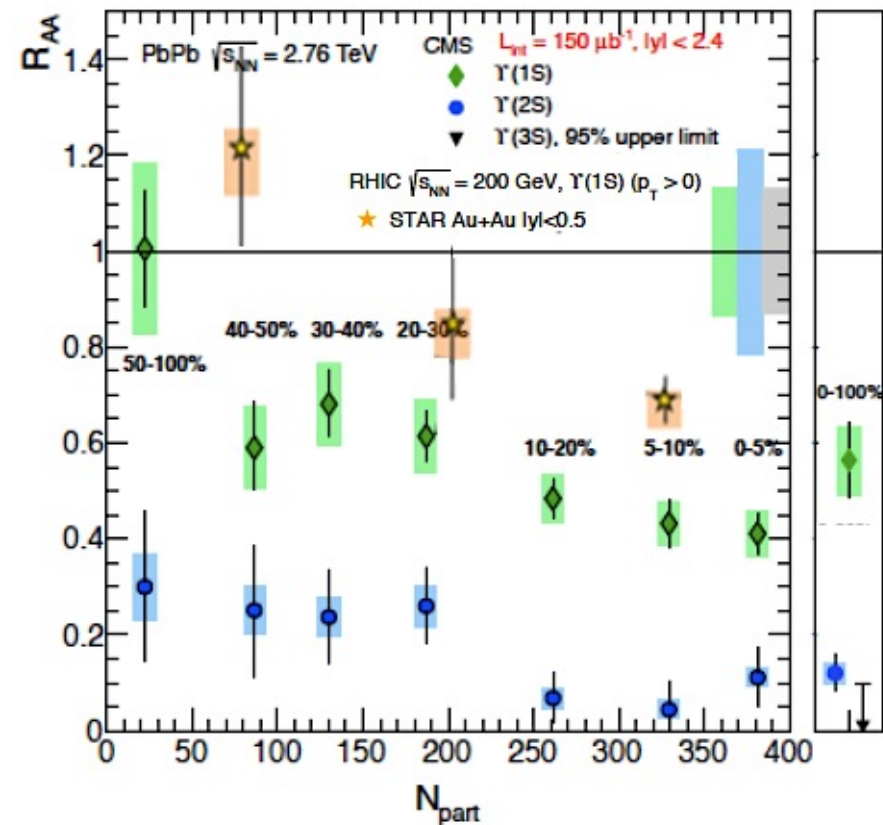
- Centrality integrated:

LHC

- $\Upsilon(1S)$ :  $0.56 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.07$
- $\Upsilon(2S)$ :  $0.12 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.02$
- $\Upsilon(3S)$ :  $< 0.10$  at 95% CL

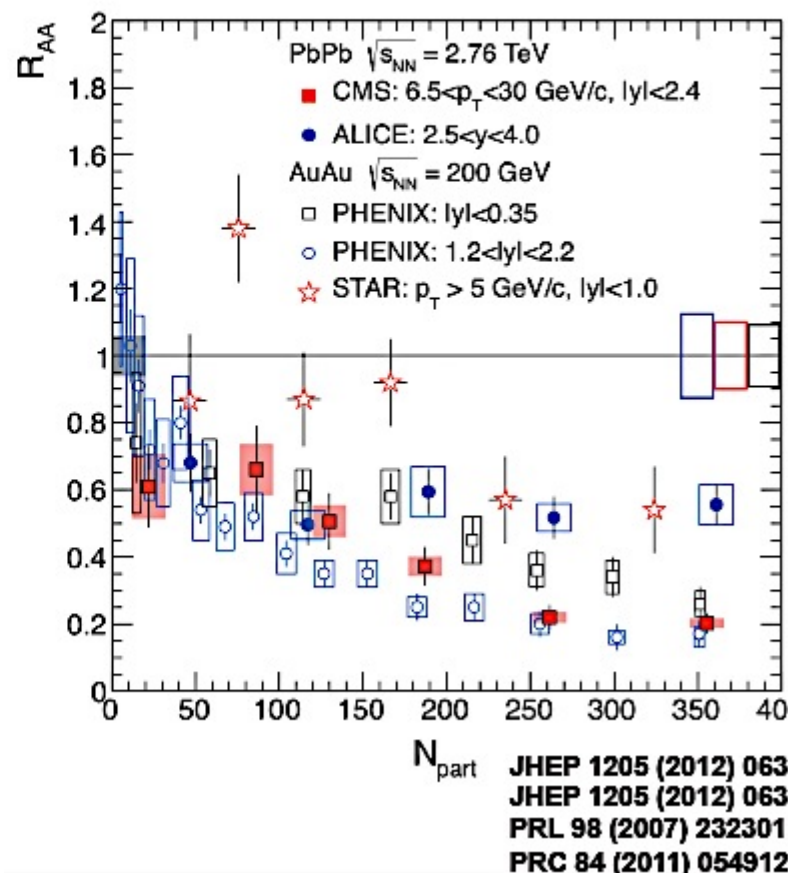
- Ordered suppression  
=> **Sequential melting**

- The situation seems clear for  $\Upsilon$   
less effects than on  $J/\psi$



# Present situation: Charmonia in AA at RHIC and LHC

- **Suppression**, but not clear pattern/picture
- **Interplay of hot and cold** medium effects:
  - shadowing, nuclear absorption, energy loss, comovers, colour screening, regeneration
- **Quarkonium in p+p** still not fully controlled theoretically
  - CSM, COM, polarization..



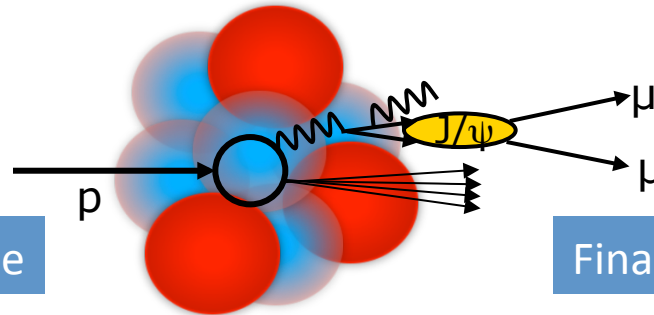
# Quarkonium suppression in p+A collisions: CNM effects

Quarkonium production is suppressed in nuclear collisions ...but for a variety of reasons

- dissociation by screening (“melting”) and/or collisions in hot QGP

**QGP effects**  
**A+A collisions**

- shadowing,
- saturation
- intrinsic charm



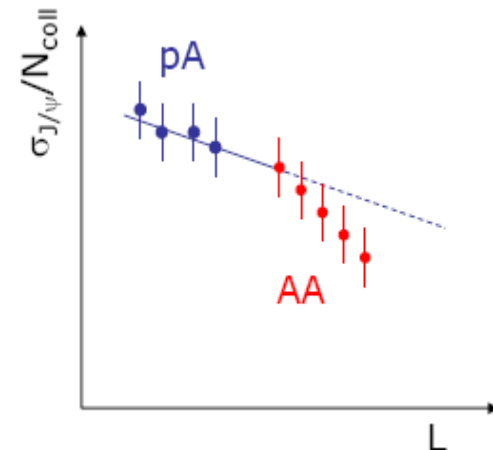
- nuclear absorption
- energy loss
- comovers

**CNM effects**  
**p+A and A+A collisions**

To understand quarkonium behaviour in the hot medium, it's important to know its behaviour in the cold nuclear matter. This information can be achieved studying pA collisions

The cold nuclear matter effects present in pA collisions are of course present also in AA and can mask genuine QGP effects

CNM, evaluated in pA, are extrapolated to AA, in order to build a reference for the  $J/\psi$  behaviour in hadronic matter



# Nuclear absorption: a final cold nuclear matter effect

Particle spectrum altered by interactions with the nuclear matter they traverse  
=>  $J/\Psi$  suppression due to final state interactions with spectator nucleons

- Usual parameterisation:  
(Glauber model)

$$S_{\text{abs}} = \exp(-\rho \sigma_{\text{abs}} L)$$

nuclear matter density

break-up cross section

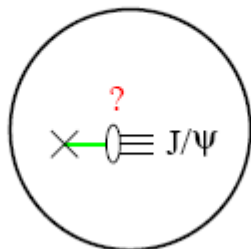
path length

## Energy dependence

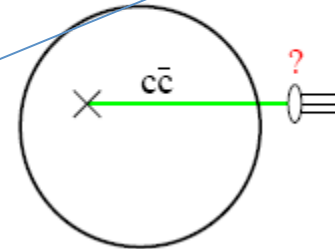
- **At low energy:** the heavy system undergoes successive interactions with nucleons in its path and has to survive all of them => **Strong nuclear absorption**
- **At high energy:** the coherence length is large and the projectile interacts with the nucleus as a whole => **Smaller nuclear absorption**

## In terms of formation time:

Low energy:  $t_f = \gamma(x_2) \tau_f \ll R$



High energy:  $t_f = \gamma(x_2) \tau_f \gg R$



Formation time depends on the boost

**Nuclear absorption small at LHC energies and smaller for  $\Upsilon$  than for  $J/\psi$**



# Energy loss effect: Fractional energy loss

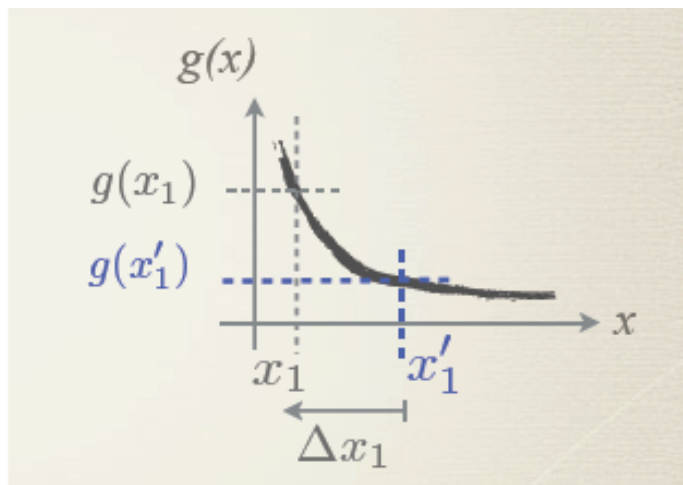
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Arleo, Peigne

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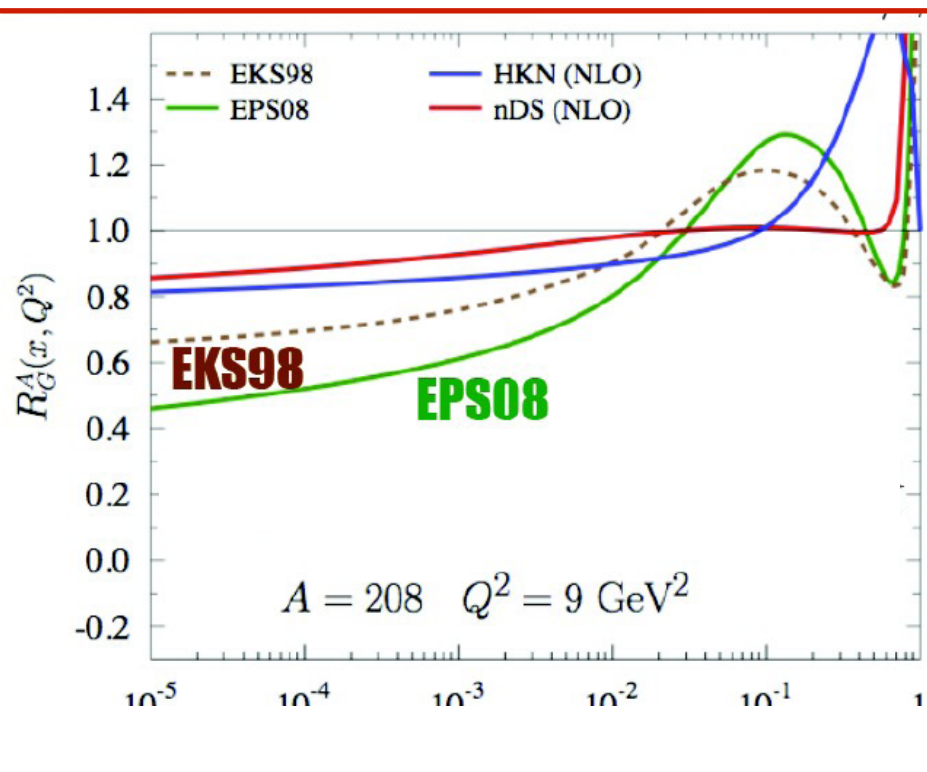
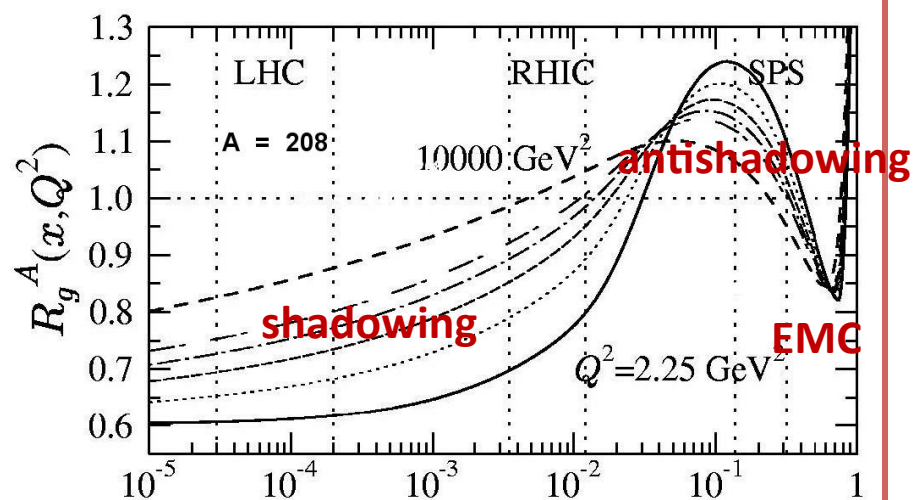
$$R_{\text{loss}}(x_1, Q^2) = \frac{g(x'_1, Q^2)}{g(x_1, Q^2)}$$

# nPDFs modification: an initial cold nuclear matter effect

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- PDFs in nuclei different from the superposition of PDFs of their nucleons

**Shadowing effects increases with energy ( $1/x$ ) and decrease with  $Q^2$  ( $m_T$ )**

$$R_i^A(x, \mu_f) = \frac{f_i^A(x, \mu_f)}{A f_i^{\text{nucleon}}(x, \mu_f)}, \quad f_i = q, \bar{q}, g$$

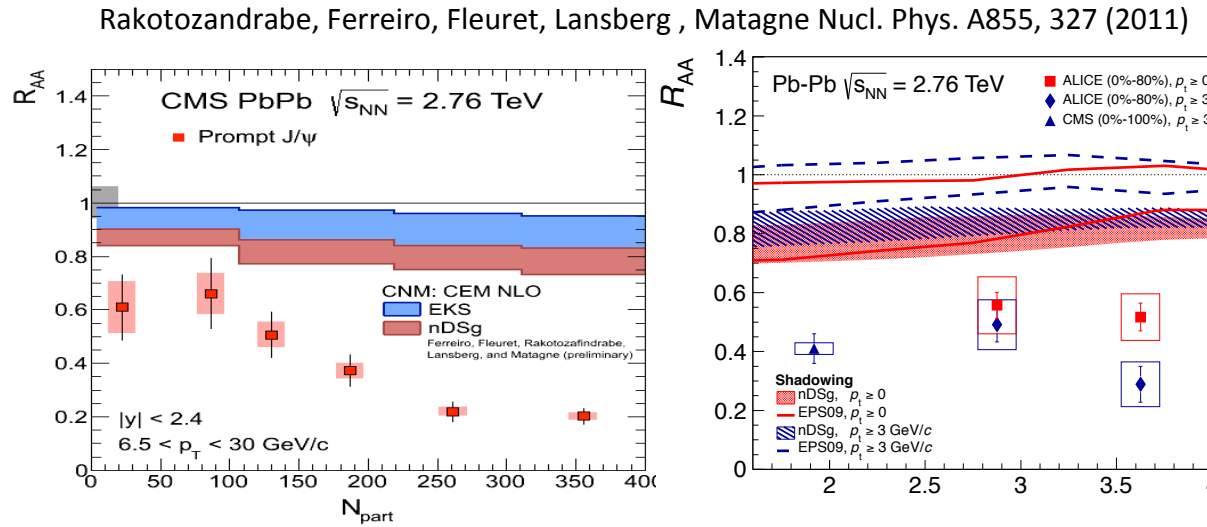
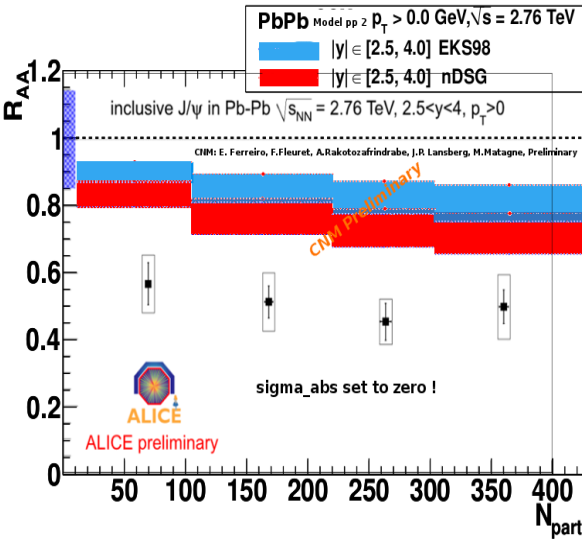


**Large uncertainties for gluons : Shape of the nPDFs, shadowing, antishadowing, EMC?**

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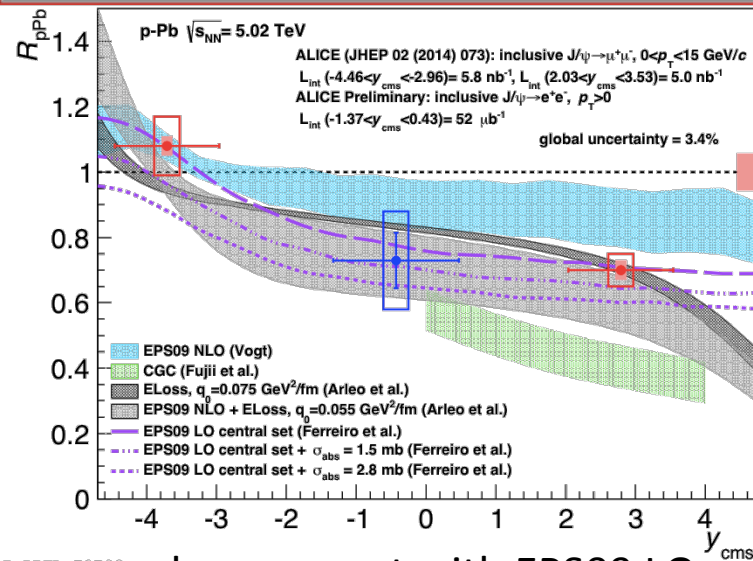
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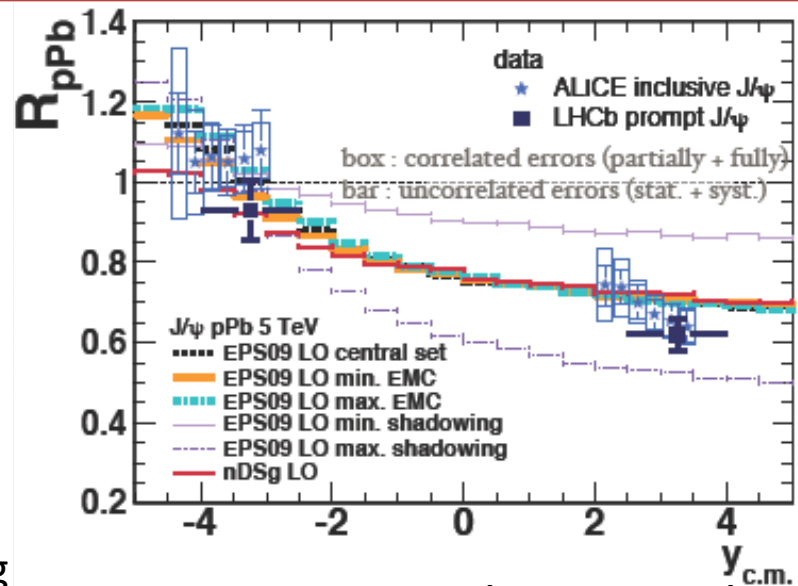
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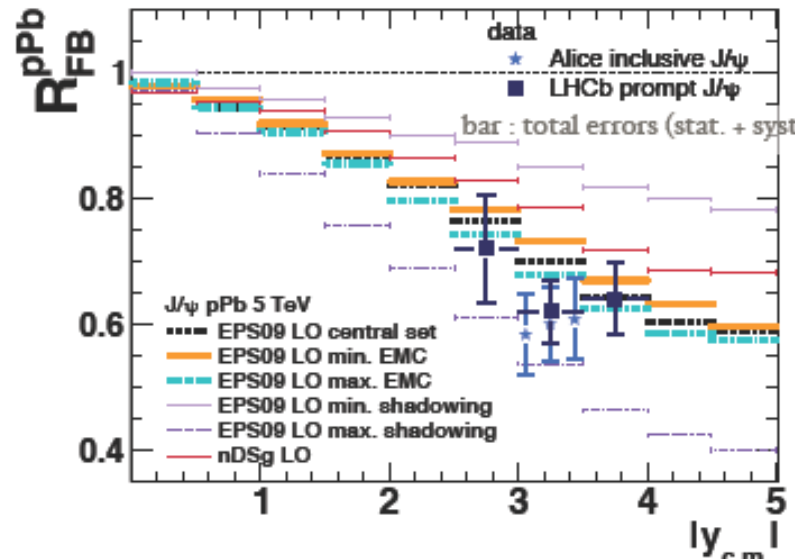
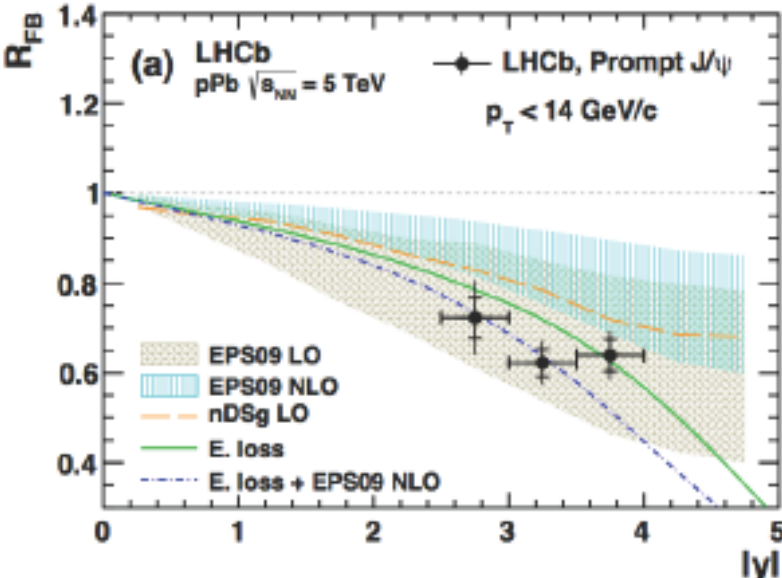
# Cross check: $J/\psi$ production in pPb @ LHC



good agreement with EPS09 LO and nDSg shadowing  
 also consistent w energy loss models w/wo EPS09NLO shadowing  
 EPS09 NLO and CGC calculation disfavored

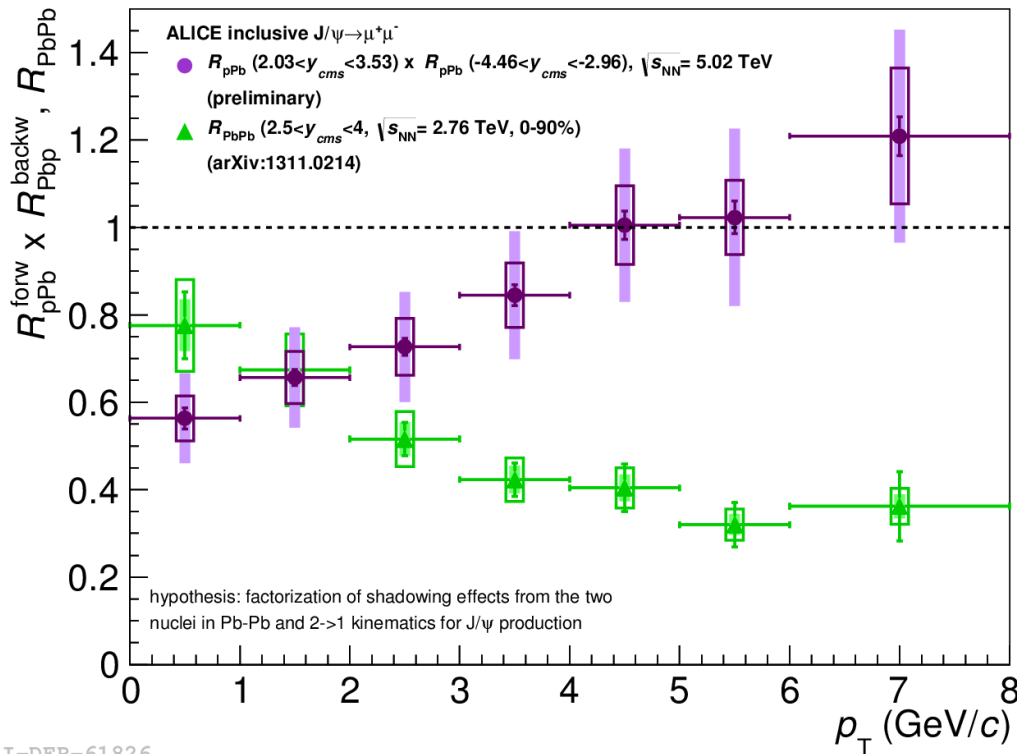


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# CNM effects from p-Pb to Pb-Pb

Once CNM effects are measured in pA,  
what can we learn on J/ $\psi$  production in PbPb?



Sizeable  $p_T$  dependent  
suppression still visible

→ CNM effects not enough to  
explain AA data at high  $p_T$

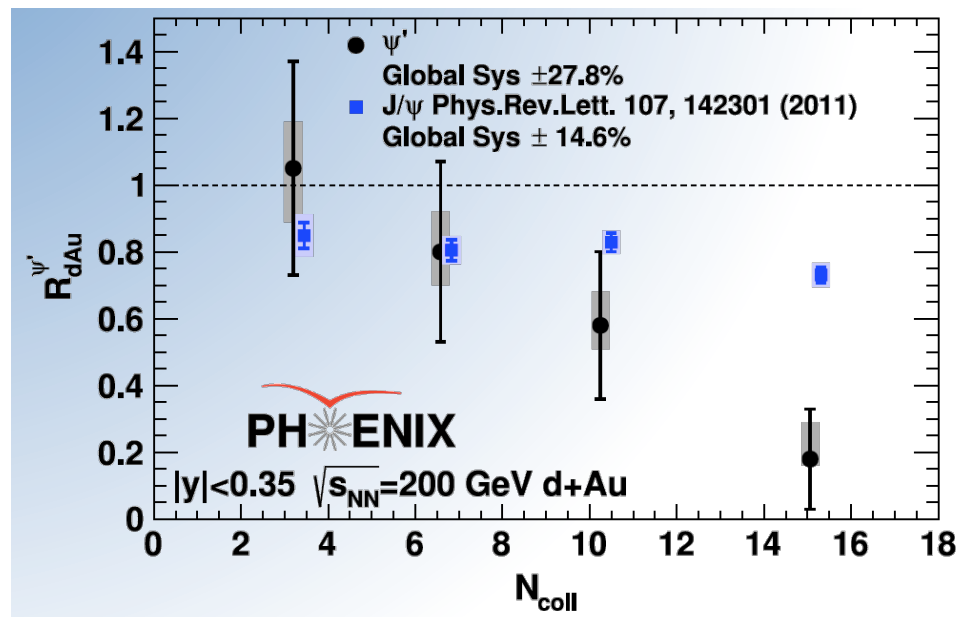
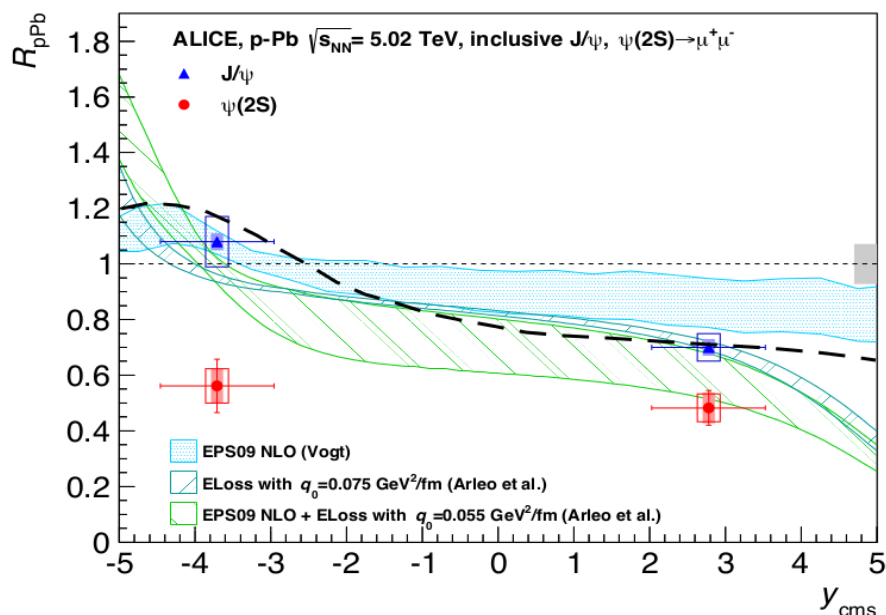
From enhancement to  
suppression increasing  $p_T$

→ hint for recombination

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# A surprise: $\psi(2S)$ in dAu @ RHIC and pPb @ LHC

- A strong decrease of the  $\psi(2S)$  production, relative to  $J/\psi$ , is observed in p+Pb at LHC



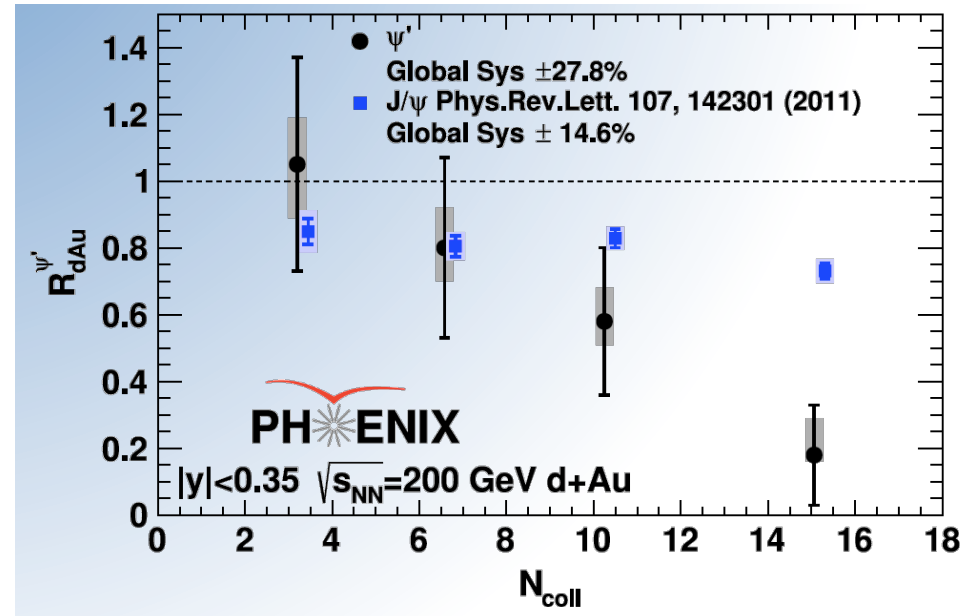
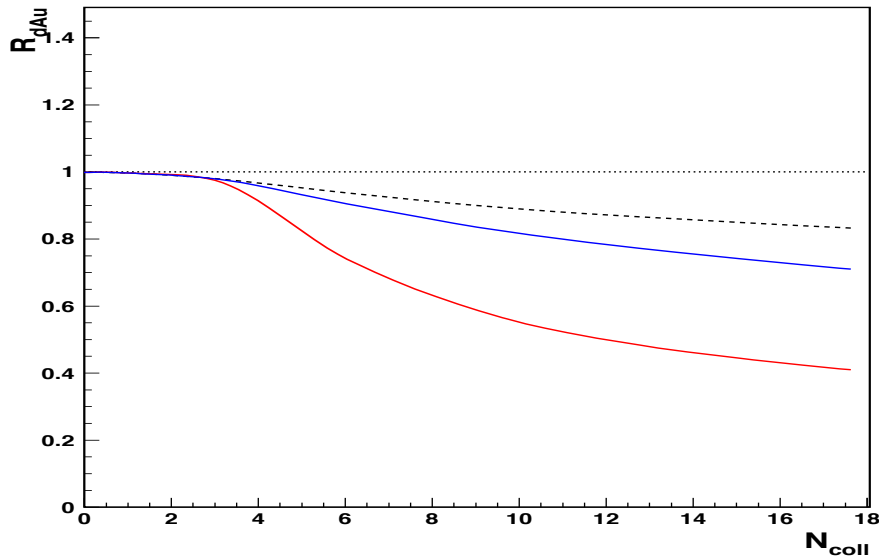
Same initial CNM effects (shadowing –similar  $m_T$ -, energy loss, nuclear absorption - charmonium formation time  $t_f = \gamma \tau. < R_A$  -) for both  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi(2S)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  theoretical predictions in disagreement with  $\psi(2S)$  results

Final state effects related to the medium created in the p-Pb collisions?:  
 co-moving medium

# $\psi(2S)$ and $J/\psi$ in dAu @ RHIC: comover scenario

$$\tau \frac{dN_{J/\psi}}{d\tau}(b, s, y) = -\sigma_{co} N^{co}(b, s, y) N_{J/\psi}(b, s, y)$$

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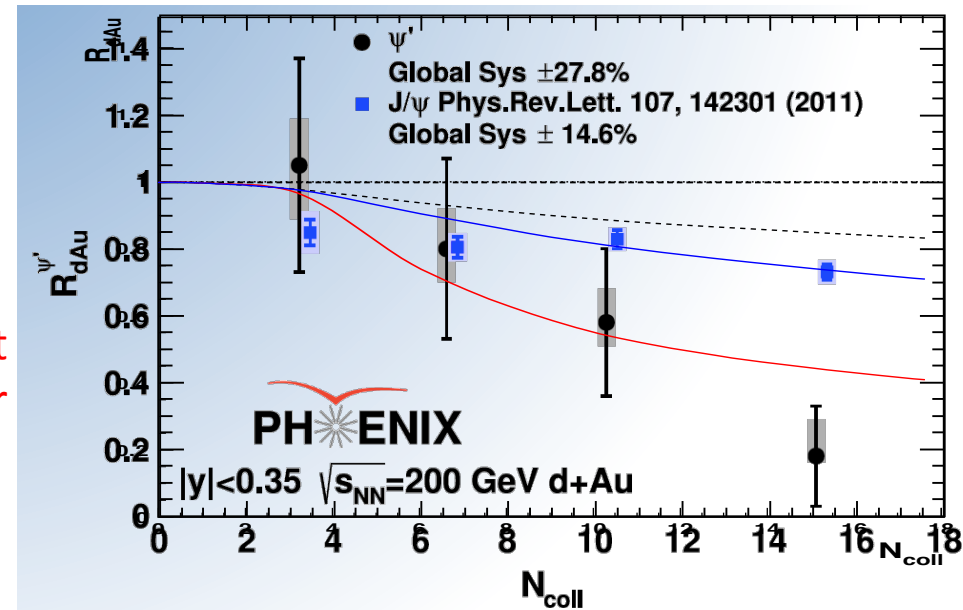
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- Identical shadowing for  $\psi(2S)$  and  $J/\psi$
- $J/\psi$  suppression due to the combined effect of shadowing and comover dissociation
- $\psi(2S)$  suppression due to the combined effect of shadowing and stronger comover dissociation

$$\sigma_{co-\psi(2S)} > \sigma_{co-J/\psi}$$

$\sigma_{co-\psi(2S)} = 6 \text{ mb}$ ,  $\sigma_{co-J/\psi} = 0.65 \text{ mb}$   
 (identical to the ones used at SPS & LHC)  
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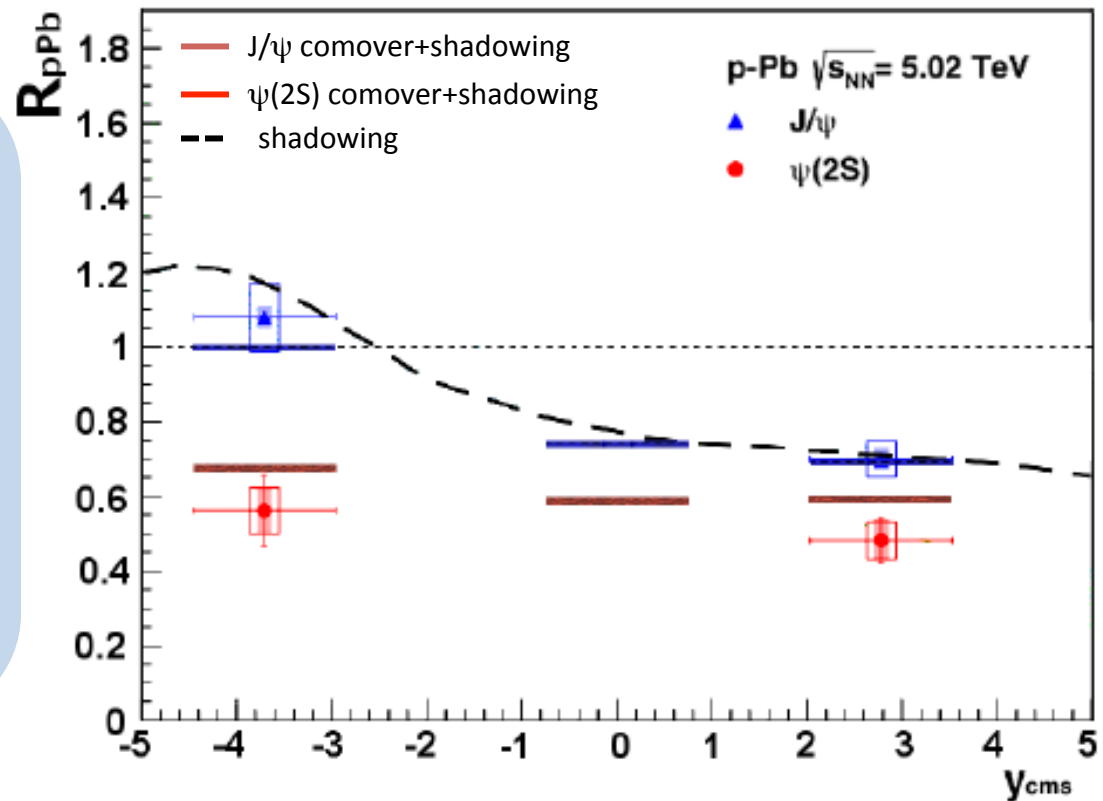
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Charmonium interaction with comoving particles:

- Comovers dissociation affects more strongly the loosely bound  $\psi(2S)$  than the  $J/\psi$
- Comovers density larger at backward rapidity



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# What have we learnt from $J/\psi$ production in pPb and PbPb @ LHC?

$J/\psi$  production seems at least **qualitatively understood**

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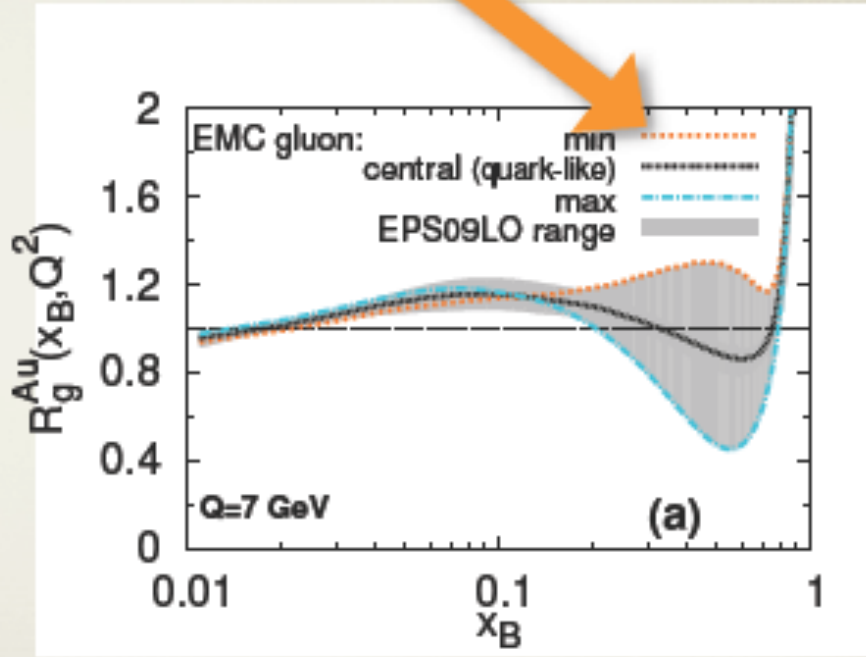
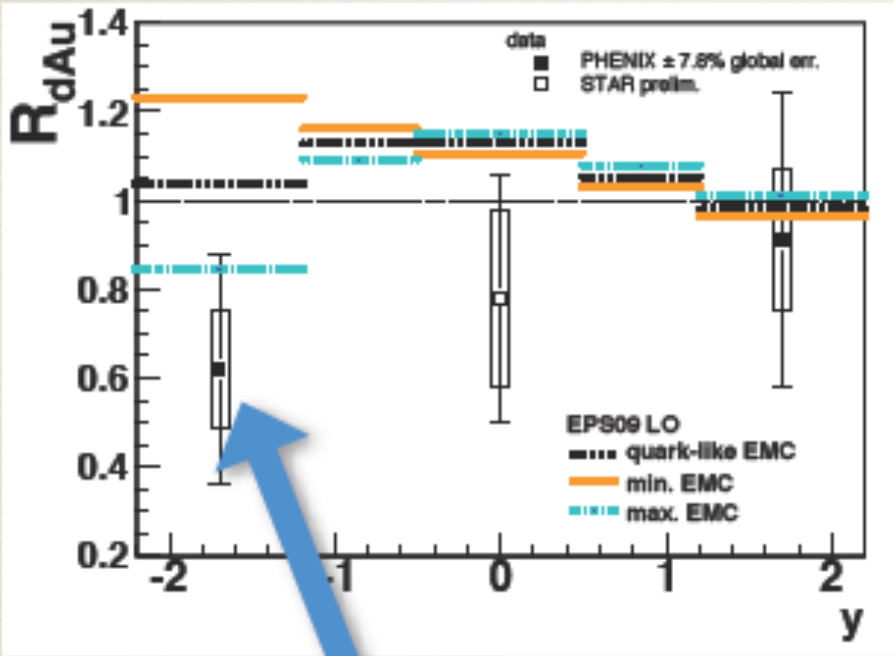
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- **In-medium effects** depending on density (comovers) are able to distinguish between  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi(2S)$

# $\Upsilon$ in dAu @ RHIC: gluon EMC effect

Let us focus in the **EMC region** and pick the EPS09 sets that are the limiting cases in this region :

min. disfavoured



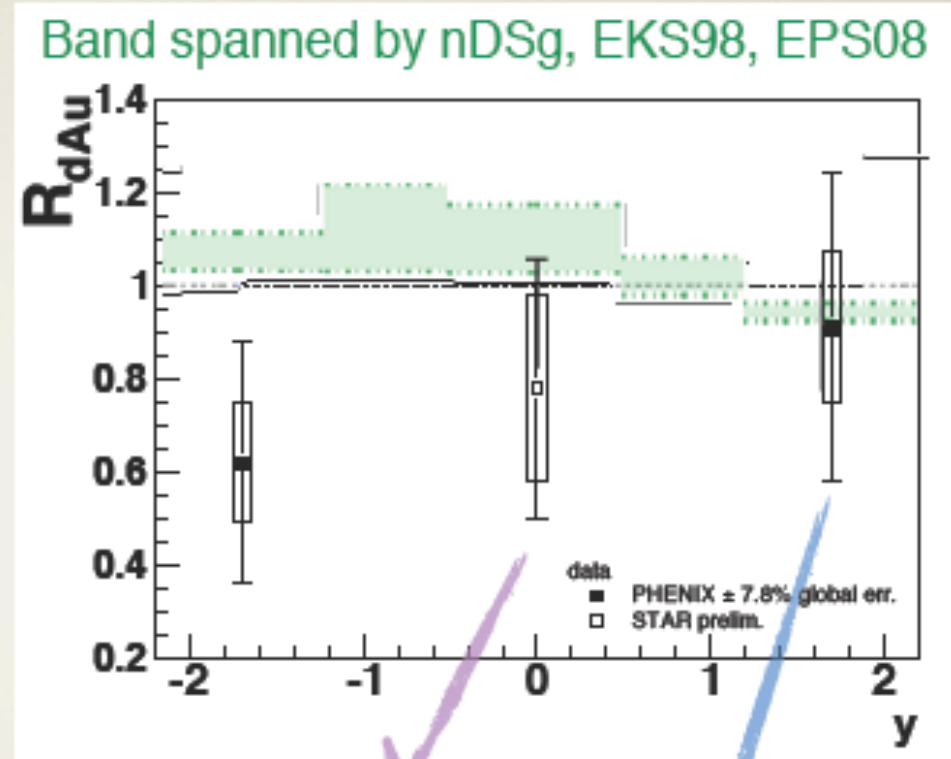
EMC effect stronger for  $g$  than for  $q$  ?

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$\Upsilon$  could be a nice tool to  
check antishadowing (still  
under debate)



absence of antishadowing ?

entering shadowing

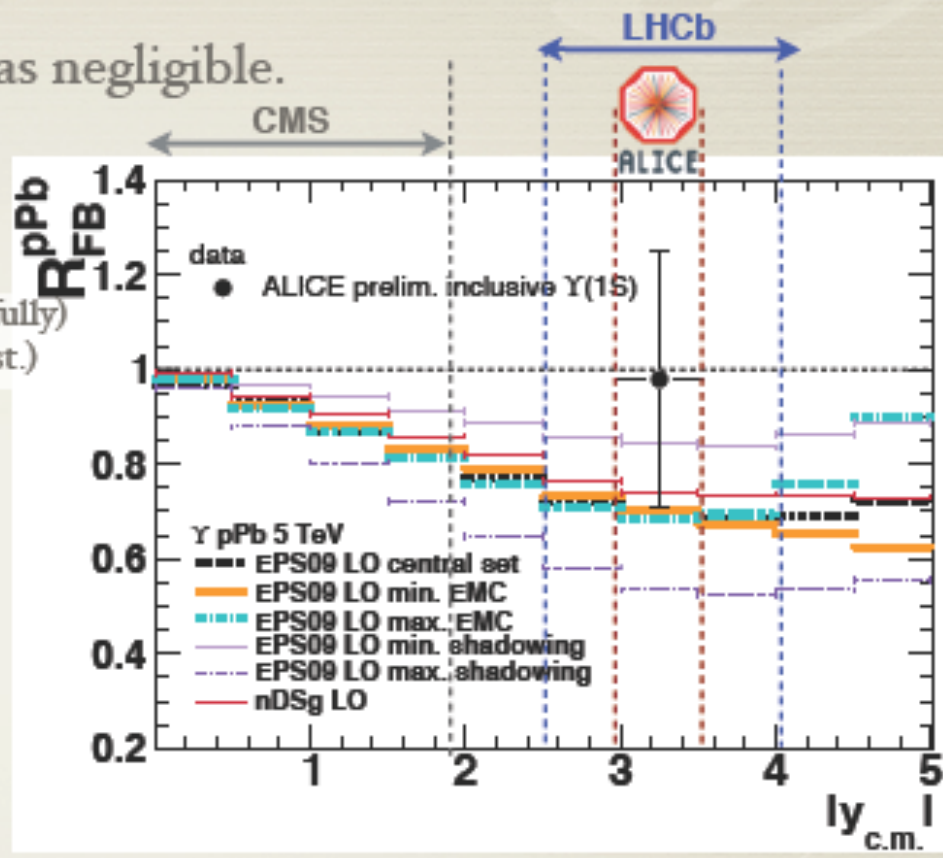
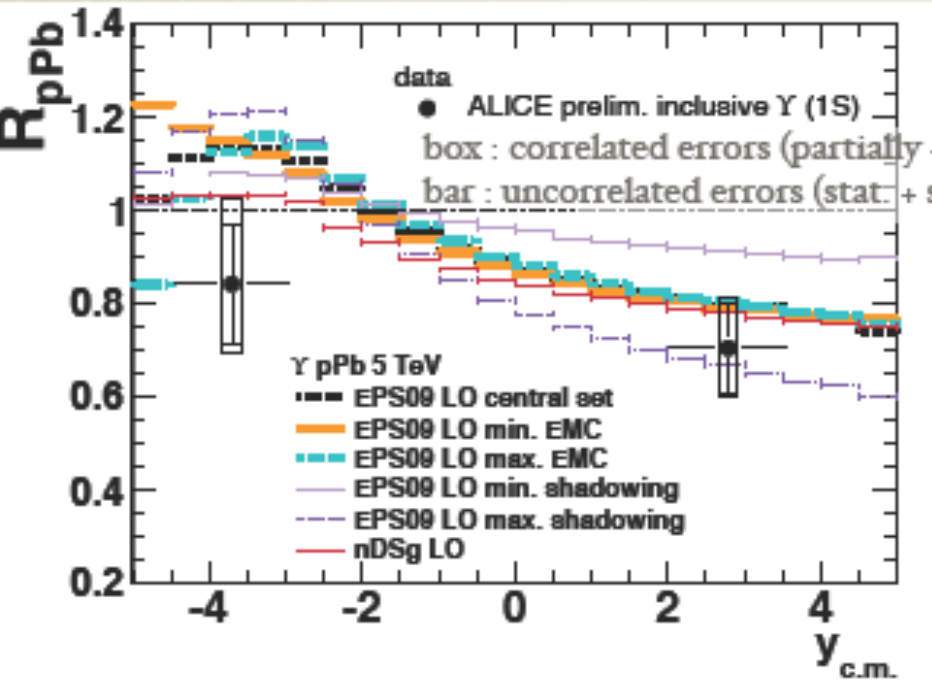
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# $\Upsilon$ in pPb @ LHC: shadowing

Absorption can safely be considered as negligible.  
Focus on shadowing effects :



Experiments probe the shadowing and antishadowing regions. The interesting EMC region will be out of reach.  
More precision needed at backward- $y$  to conclude about antishadowing.

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**High density medium,  
Not necessarily thermalized**

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**Crucial to distinguish among the models**

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Nevertheless, in-medium effects depending on density (comovers) would be able to distinguish between them

$\Upsilon(2S)$  and  $(3S)$  are strongly suppressed at LHC.

$\Upsilon(1S)$  suppression is the same at RHIC and LHC, consistent with higher mass excited states suppression

No recombination, but some shadowing effects



# COLD or HOT effects?

## •cold effects: wo thermalisation **NO QGP**

### gluon shadowing

nuclear structure functions  
in nuclei  $\neq$  superposition  
of constituents nucleons

### nuclear absorption

multiple scattering of a pre-  
resonance  $c\bar{c}$  pair within  
the nucleons of the nucleus

### CGC

### parton saturation

non-linear effects favoured by  
the high density of partons  
become important and lead  
to eventual saturation of the  
parton densities

### comovers

dissociation of the  $c\bar{c}$   
pair with the dense medium  
produced in the collision  
**partonic or hadronic**

Others: Cronin effect  
energy loss

## •hot effects: w thermalisation **QGP**

**A+A**

**QGP**

sequential suppression

recombination



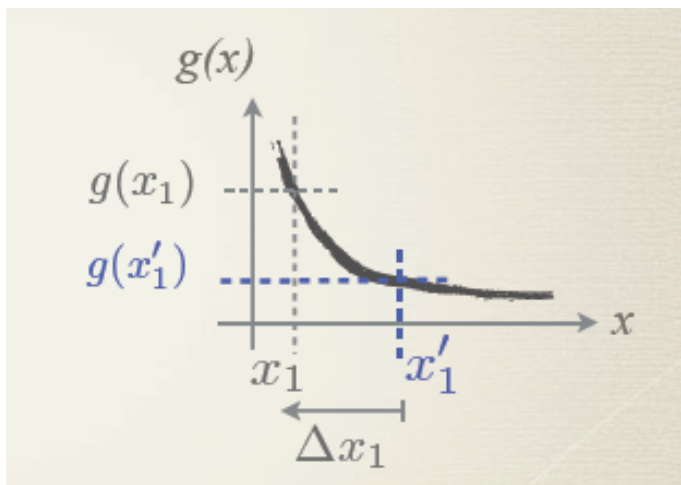
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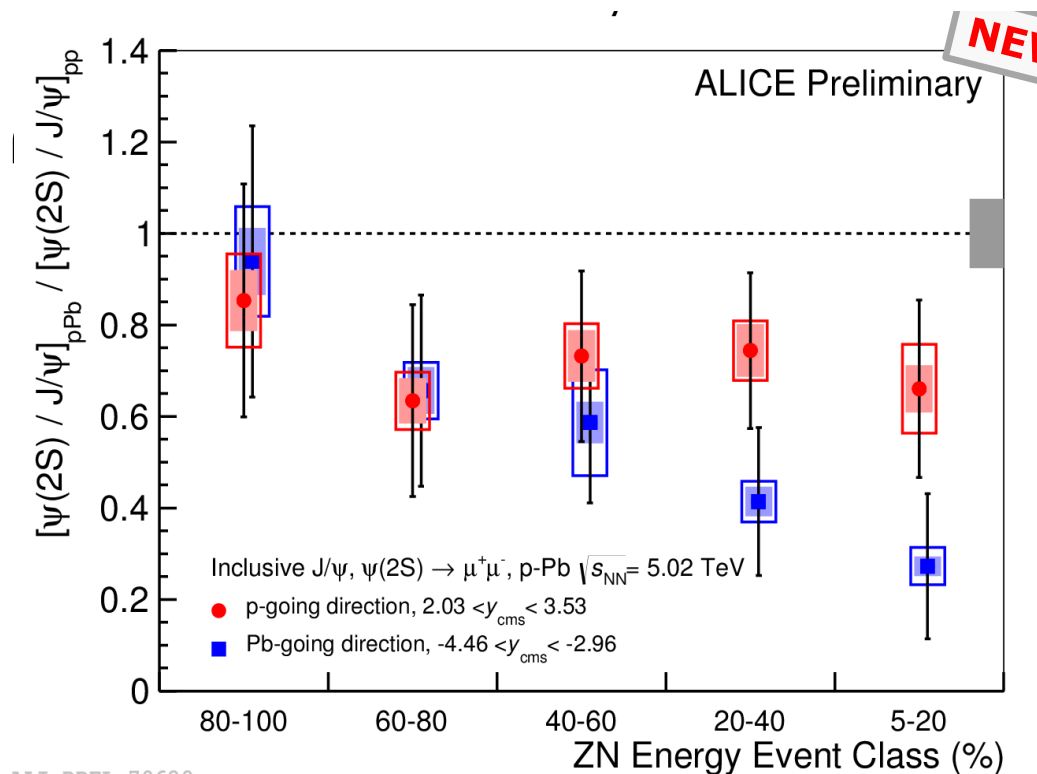
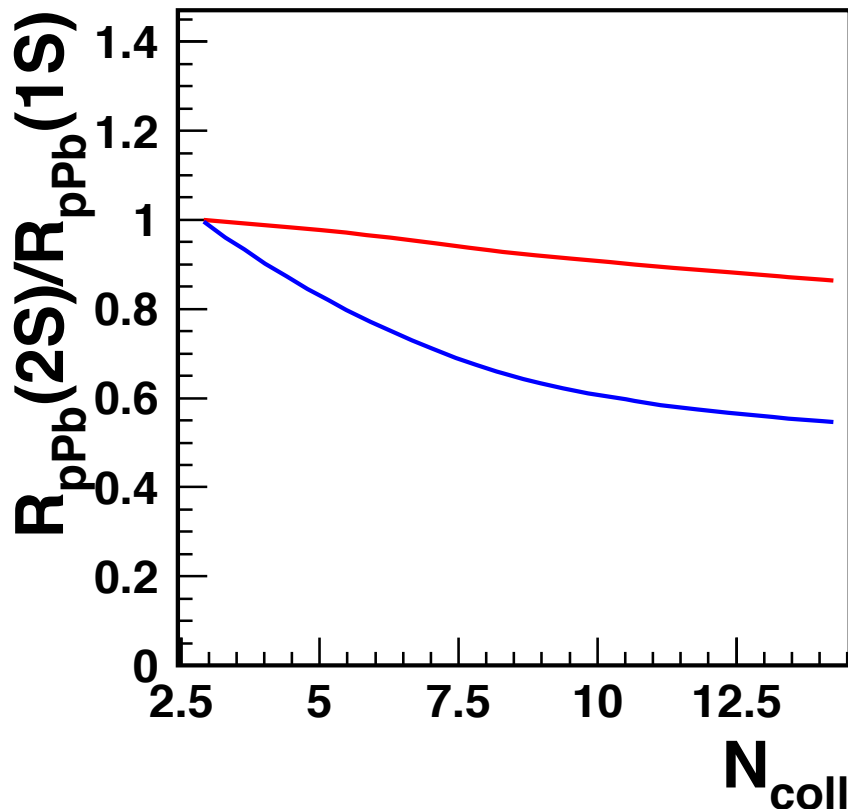
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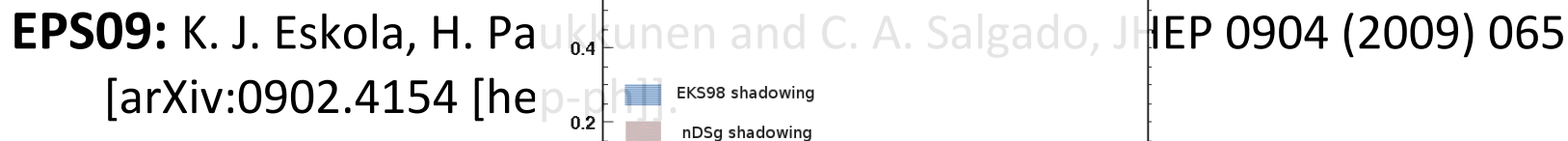
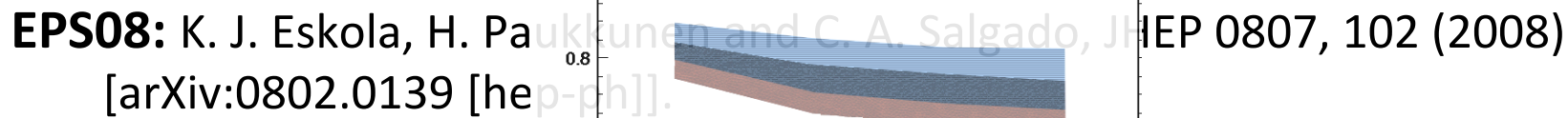
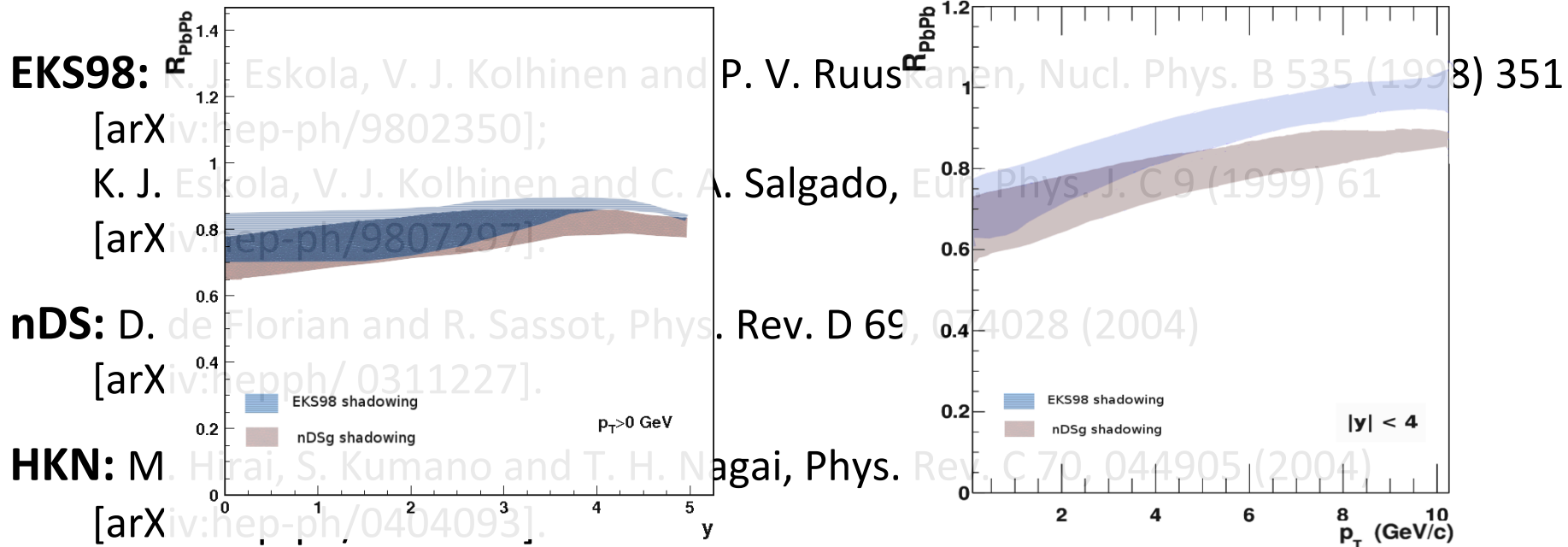


Identical shadowing effects for  $\psi(2S)$  and  $J/\psi$

$[\psi(2S) / J/\psi] < 1$  due to comover interactions, that affects strongerly the  $\psi(2S)$

This effect is more important in the backward region, since the density of comovers is higher there

# Some nPDF parameterizations on the market



# Quarkonium production issues: two approaches

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$$g+g \rightarrow J/\psi$$

**2→1**

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{m_T}{\sqrt{s_{NN}}} \exp(\pm y)$$

- **intrinsic scheme:** the  $\mathbf{p}_T$  of the  $J/\psi$  comes from initial partons
  - ❖ Not relevant for, say,  $p_T > 3$  GeV
  - ❖ Only applies if COM(LO,  $\alpha_s^2$ ) is the relevant production mechanism at low  $p_T$

$$g+g \rightarrow J/\psi+g, gg, ggg, \dots$$

**2→2, 3, 4**

$$x_2 = \frac{x_1 m_T \sqrt{s_{NN}} e^{-y} - M^2}{\sqrt{s_{NN}} (\sqrt{s_{NN}} x_1 - m_T e^y)}$$

- **extrinsic scheme:** the  $\mathbf{p}_T$  of the  $J/\psi$  is balanced by the outgoing parton(s)
  - ❖ CSM, COM (NLO, NNLO)
  - for a given  $y$ , larger  $x$  in extrinsic scheme => modification of shadowing effects

**In fact, the 2→2 scenario is common to CSM (LO) and COM (NLO)**

# Energy loss effect: Fractional energy loss

- **Usual idea:** An energetic parton traveling in a large nuclear medium undergoes multiple elastic scatterings, which induce gluon radiation => **radiative energy loss (BDMPS)**
- **Intuitively:** due to parton energy loss, a hard QCD process probes the incoming PDFs at higher  $x$ , where they are suppressed, leading to nuclear suppression
- **The problem:** This energy loss is subject to the LPM bound (Brodsky-Hoyer)  
=>  **$\Delta E$  is limited and does not scale with  $E$**  => negligible effect at RHIC and LHC
- **Recently** (Arleo, Peigner, Sami) it has been probed that the **notion of radiated energy associated to a hard process is more general than the notion of parton energy loss.**  
=> **a fractional energy loss:  $\Delta E \propto E$**

The medium-induced gluon radiation associated to large- $x_f$  quarkonium hadroproduction:

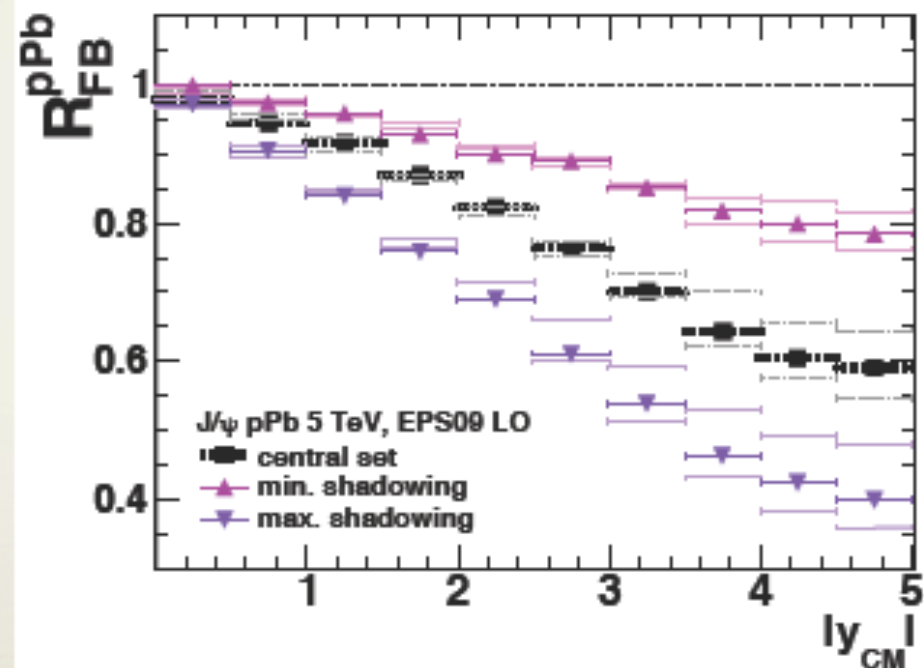
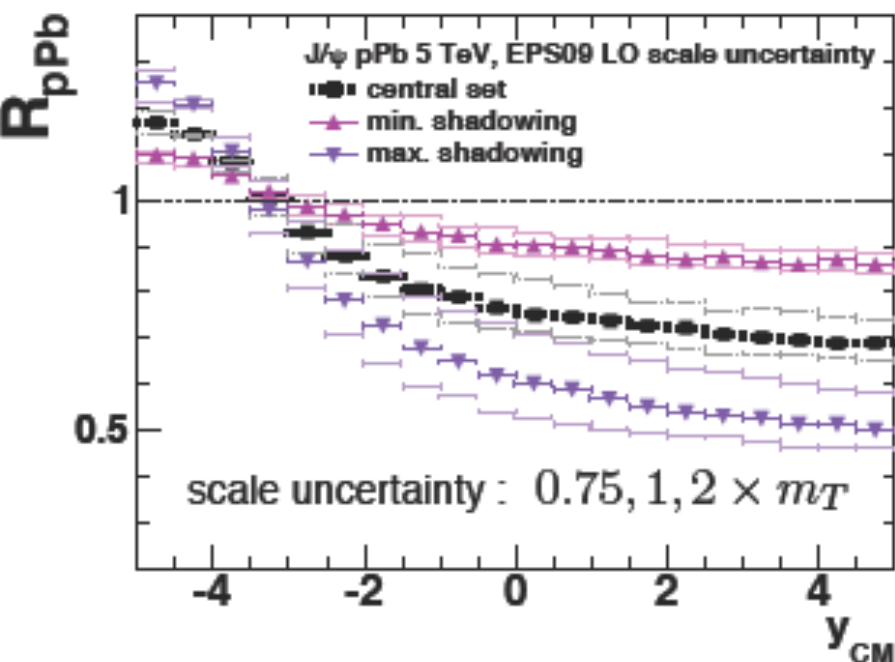
- ❖ arises from large gluon formation times  $t_f \gg L$
- ❖ scales as the incoming parton energy  $E$
- ❖ cannot be identified with the usual energy loss
- ❖ qualitatively similar to Bethe-Heitler energy loss
- ❖ the Brodsky-Hoyer bound does not apply for large formation times

Thus, the assumption of an “energy loss” scaling as  $E$  turns out to be qualitatively valid for quarkonium production provided this “energy loss” is correctly interpreted as the radiated energy associated to the hard process, and not as the energy loss of independent incoming and outgoing color charges.

# COMMENT 1: Scale uncertainty

- What enters the evaluation is  $R_g^A(x, \mu_F)$
- What value to take for  $\mu_F$ ?
- In DIS,  $\mu_F \leftrightarrow Q$  ( $Q$  is measured).
- For quarkonia?  $\mu_F = M, m_c, m_T$ ?

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The scale uncertainty must be added on top the EPS09 error evaluation.

# COMMENT 2: Saturation?

## Saturation scale

$$Q_{sA}^2 = A^{\frac{1}{3}} \times 0.2 \times \left(\frac{x_0}{x}\right)^\lambda \text{ (in unit of GeV}^2\text{)}$$

with  $\lambda \sim 0.2 \div 0.3$  and with  $x_0 = 0.01$

sets the minimum momentum fraction below which one expects non-linear effects to be significant in the evolution of the parton distribution

### $\Upsilon$ @ RHIC

$y$	$Q_{sAu}(\text{GeV})$	$\frac{Q_{sAu}}{m_\Upsilon}$	$y$	$Q_{sAu}(\text{GeV})$	$\frac{Q_{sAu}}{m_\Upsilon}$
-2.0	$\lesssim 1$	-	0.0	$\lesssim 1$	-
-1.5	$\lesssim 1$	-	+1.5	$1.0 \div 1.1$	0.1
-1.0	$\lesssim 1$	-	+2.0	$1.1 \div 1.2$	0.1

### $\Upsilon$ @ LHC

$y$	$Q_{sPb}(\text{GeV})$	$\frac{Q_{sAu}}{m_\Upsilon}$	$y$	$Q_{sPb}(\text{GeV})$	$\frac{Q_{sPb}}{m_\Upsilon}$
-4.0	$\lesssim 1$	-	+2.0	$1.6 \div 1.9$	0.2
-2.0	$\lesssim 1$	-	+4.0	$1.9 \div 2.5$	$0.2 - 0.25$
0.0	$1.3 \div 1.4$	0.15			

Saturation scale always well below the typical energy scale of the process  $m_\Upsilon$

=> one does not expect any specific saturation effect on  $\Upsilon$  production in p(d)A collisions @ RHIC & LHC or in  $J/\psi$  @ RHIC

=> shadowing of gluons as encoded in the nPDF fits based on the collinear factorisation should give a reliable account of the possible low-x physics

### $J/\psi$ and $\psi'$ @ RHIC

$y$	$Q_{sAu}^{\psi'}(\text{GeV})$	$\frac{Q_{sAu}^{\psi'}}{m_{\psi'}}$	$Q_{sAu}^{J/\psi}(\text{GeV})$	$\frac{Q_{sAu}^{J/\psi}}{m_{J/\psi}}$
-2.2	$< 1$	-	$< 1$	-
-1.2	$\sim 1$	-	$\sim 1$	-
0	$1.0 \div 1.1$	0.3	$1.0 \div 1.1$	0.35
1.2	$1.3 \div 1.4$	$0.35 \div 0.4$	$1.4 \div 1.5$	$0.45 \div 0.5$
2.2	$1.6 \div 1.9$	$0.4 \div 0.5$	$1.7 \div 2.0$	$0.55 \div 0.65$

Some place for CGC on  $J/\psi$  @ LHC:

- $Q_{sPb}^{J/\psi} = 2.3 \text{ GeV at } y=0$
- $= 3.8 \text{ GeV at } y=2$
- $= 6.5 \text{ GeV at } y=4$