

Heavy flavour overview

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- Energy loss

- Quarkonium: Color screening and regeneration

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- pp collisions

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Heavy quark: *General Picture*



☑ Hard probes (charm and beauty quarks):

$$m_c \sim 1.3 \text{ GeV}/c^2, \\ m_b \sim 4.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

📌 Produced at the early stage of the collision (*large mass requires high Q^2 , $\Delta t \sim 0.01-0.13 \text{ fm}$*) $T_{\text{charm}} \sim 1/2 m_c \sim 0.1 \text{ fm}/c$

📌 pQCD can be used to calculate initial cross sections

📌 Traverse the hot and dense medium:

☑ Thermal production in the medium from QGP expected to do not play a major role (depend from initial temperature)

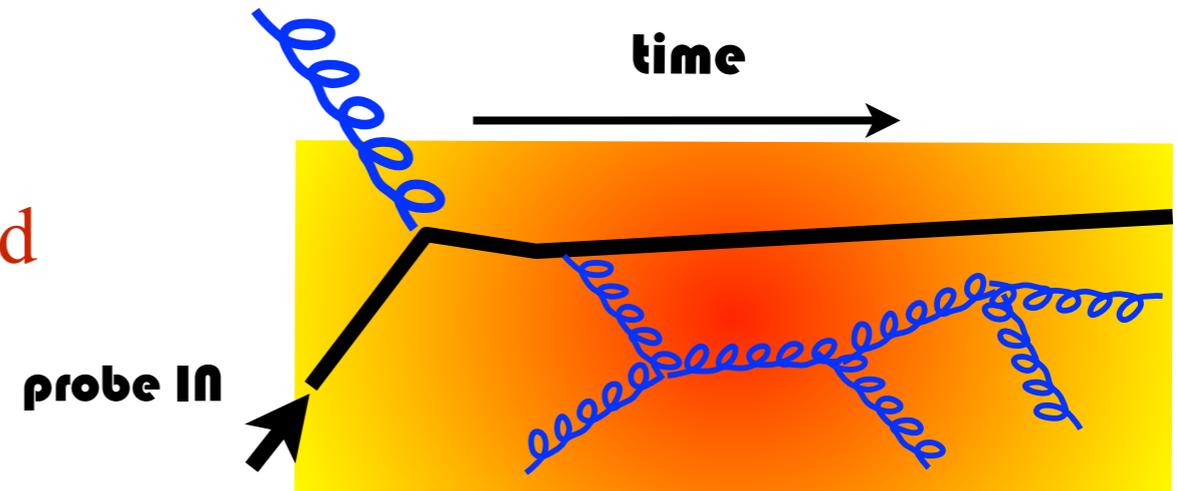
☑ Thermal production from hadronic matter (i.e. $\pi N \rightarrow \Lambda_c D$) expected to play a minor effect

Phys. Rev. C56, 2707 (1997)

Heavy quark: *General Picture*



- ✓ Heavy quarks are expected to lose less energy than light quarks and gluons due to **color-charge and dead cone effect** → higher penetrating power into QCD medium.



Yu. Dokshitzer and D.E. Kharzeev, Phys.Lett. B 519 199-206 (2001).
Armesto, Carlos A. Salgado and Urs A. Wiedemann. PRD 69 (2004) 114003

M. Djordjevic, M. Gyulassy, Nucl. Phys. A733 (2004) 265.

- ✓ What about charm strange hadrons (D_s)? If in-medium hadronization dominant mechanism of charm hadron formation at low p_T → strange charm hadrons largely enhanced.

I. Kuznetsova and J. Rafelski, Eur.Phys.J. C51 (2007) 113-133.

M. He, R. J. Fries and R. Rapp, arXiv:1204.4442 [nucl-th].

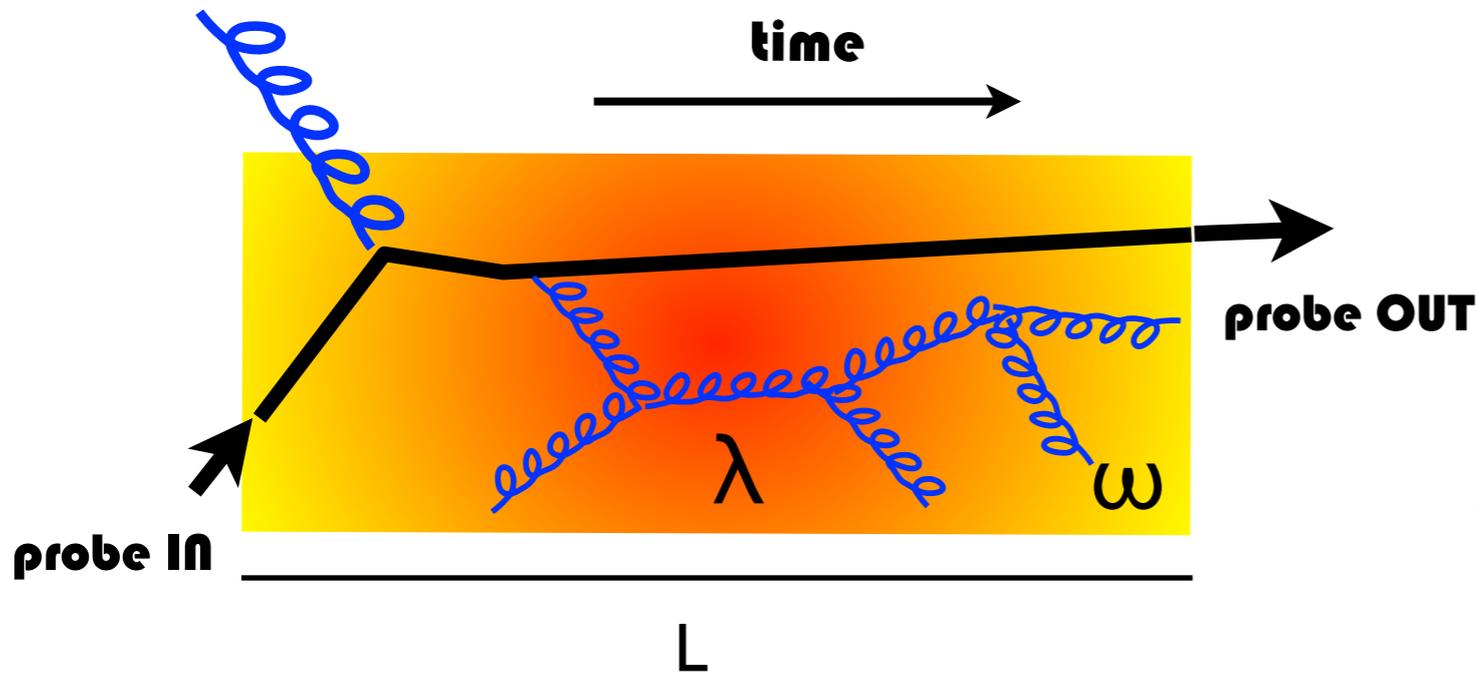
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→ *Let's see it a bit more in detail*

Radiative Energy Loss: *Color charge dependence*



Radiated gluon energy:



$$\hat{q} = \frac{\langle k_T^2 \rangle}{\lambda}$$

transport coeff.

$$\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} \propto \alpha_s C_R \sqrt{\frac{\hat{q} L^2}{\omega}}$$

Casimir coupling factor: **4/3** for quarks and **3** for gluons

arxiv-hep-ph0008241
Phys.Rev.D71:054027, 2005

⇒ **Color charge dependence** of radiative E_{loss}

$$\Delta E_g > \Delta E_{c=q}$$

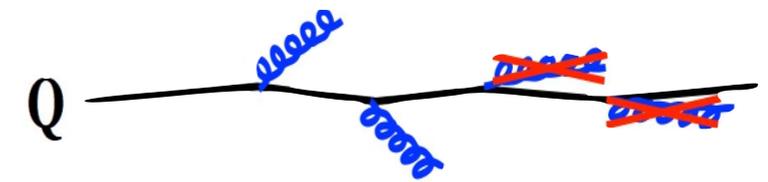
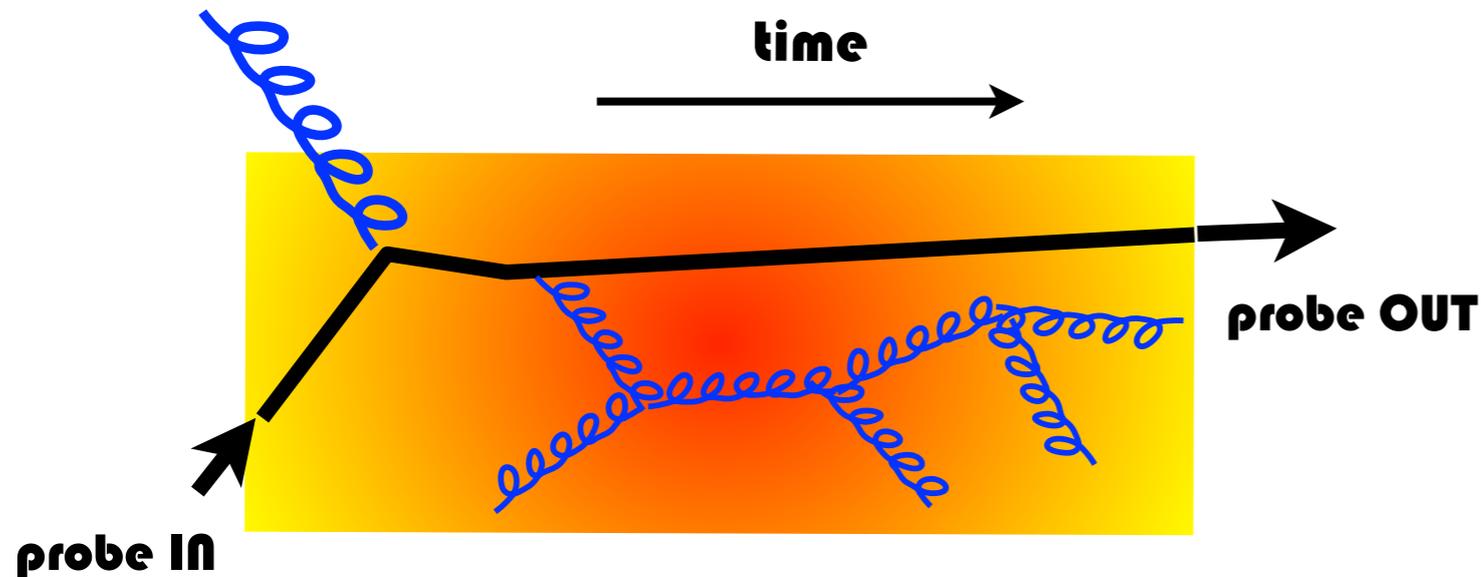
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Radiative Energy Loss: *Mass dependence*



- ☑ In vacuum gluon radiation suppressed for $\theta < m_Q/E_Q$ (dead cone effect)



Gluonsstrahlung probability

$$\propto \frac{1}{[\theta^2 + (m_Q/E_Q)^2]^2}$$

- ☑ With dead cone → lower energy loss due to “angle-dependent” factor

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$$\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} |_{Heavy} = \omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} |_{Light} \times \left(1 + \left(\frac{m_Q}{E_Q}\right)^2 \frac{1}{\theta^2}\right)^{-2}$$

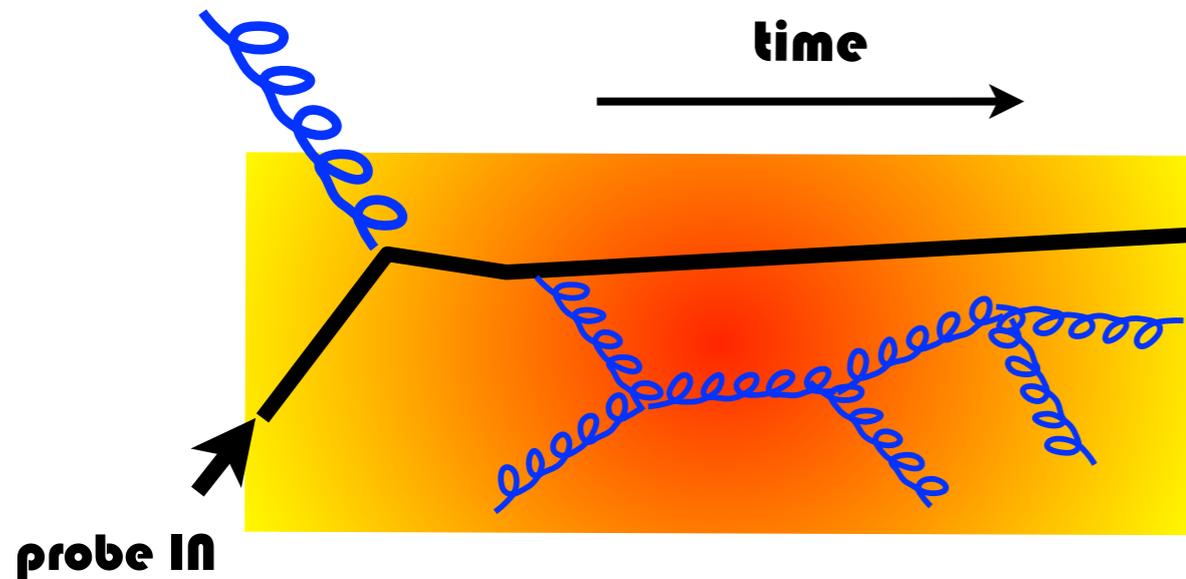
$$\Rightarrow E_{\text{loss}}(c) > E_{\text{loss}}(b)$$

M. Djordjevic, M. Gyulassy, Nucl. Phys. A733 (2004) 265. A. Salgado and U. A. Wiedemann. PRD 69 (2004) 114003

Mass dependence in collisional energy loss



☑ If use **Langevin formalism**:



$$dx = \frac{p}{E} dt,$$

$$dp = \underbrace{-\Gamma(p)}_{\text{Drag coefficient: } E_{\text{loss}} \text{ term}} p dt + \underbrace{\sqrt{2D(p+dp)}}_{\text{Diffusion term}} dt \rho$$

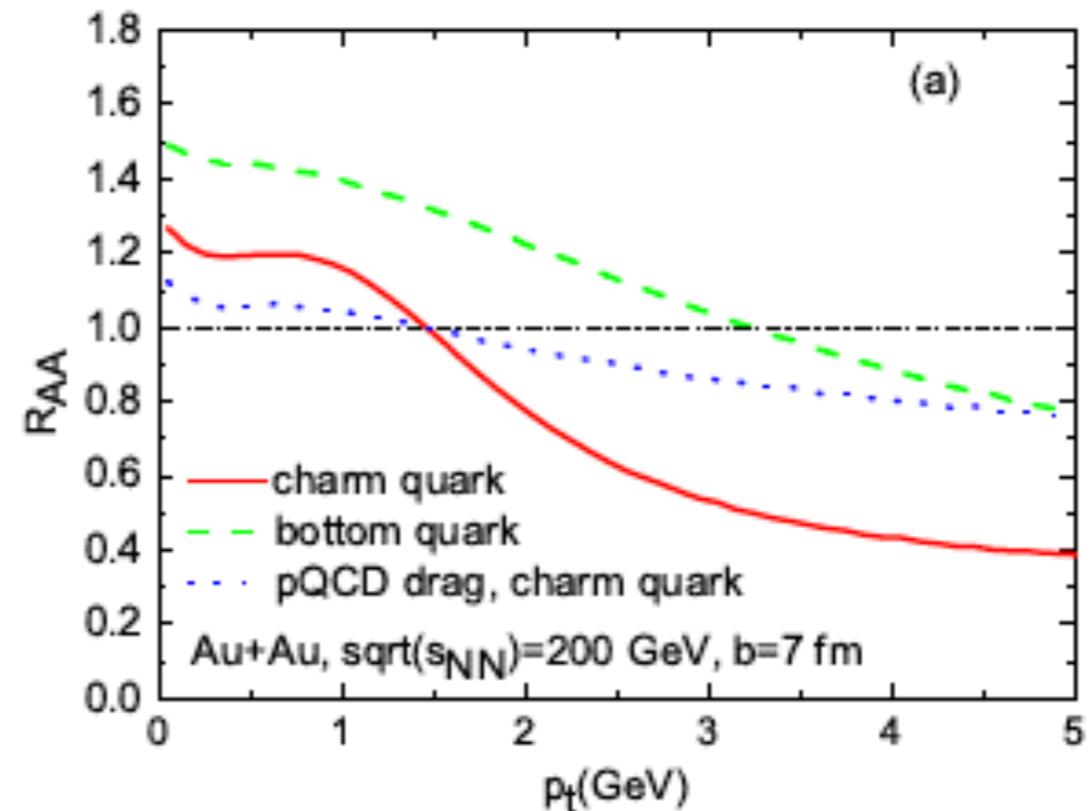
Drag coefficient: E_{loss} term

Diffusion term

☑ Both the terms: $\Gamma(p)$ e D are proportional to $1/m_Q$

☑ Lower E_{loss} for b quark

He, Rapp, Fries, PRC86 (2012) 014903



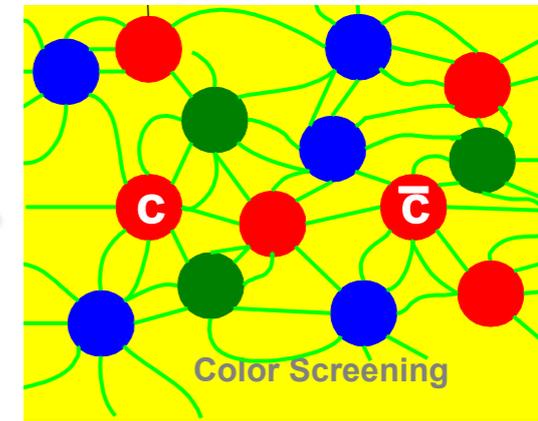
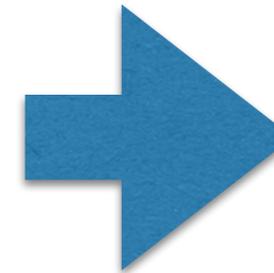
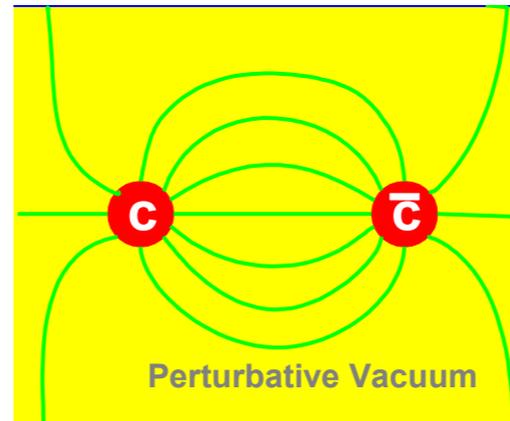
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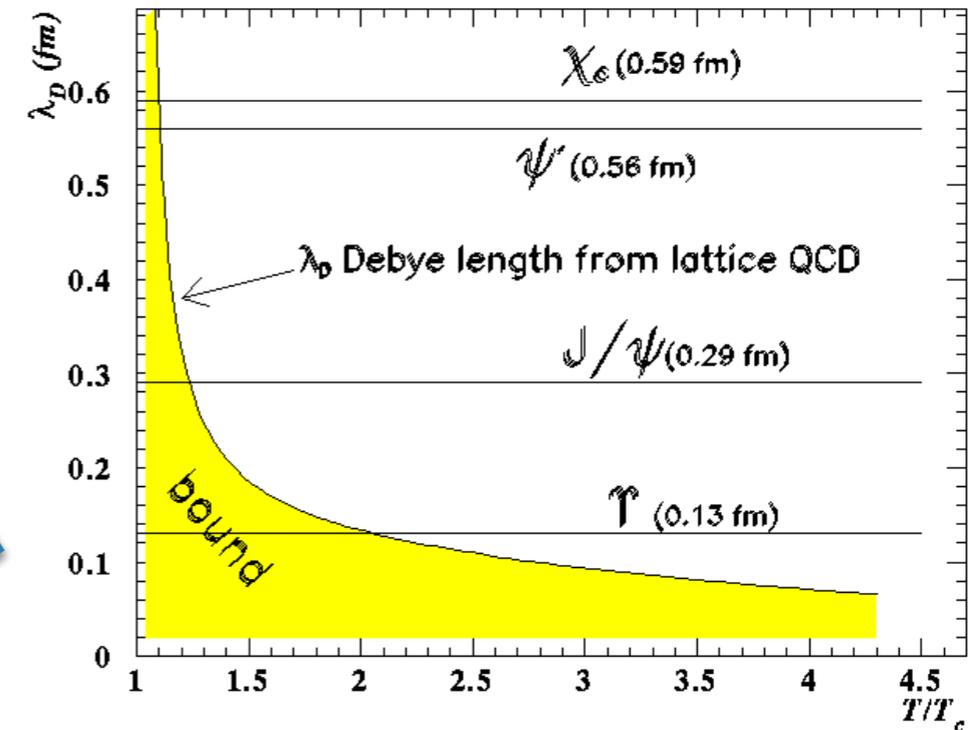
☑ Dissociation of $Q\bar{Q}$ via color-screening:

Screening of strong interactions in QGP

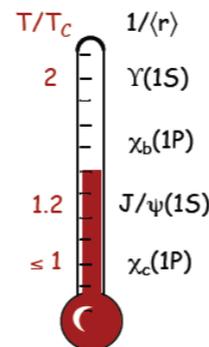
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- Screening stronger at high- p_T
- Maximum size of a bound state decrease with T increasing
- Different states \rightarrow Different sizes



QGP Thermometer!



Regeneration



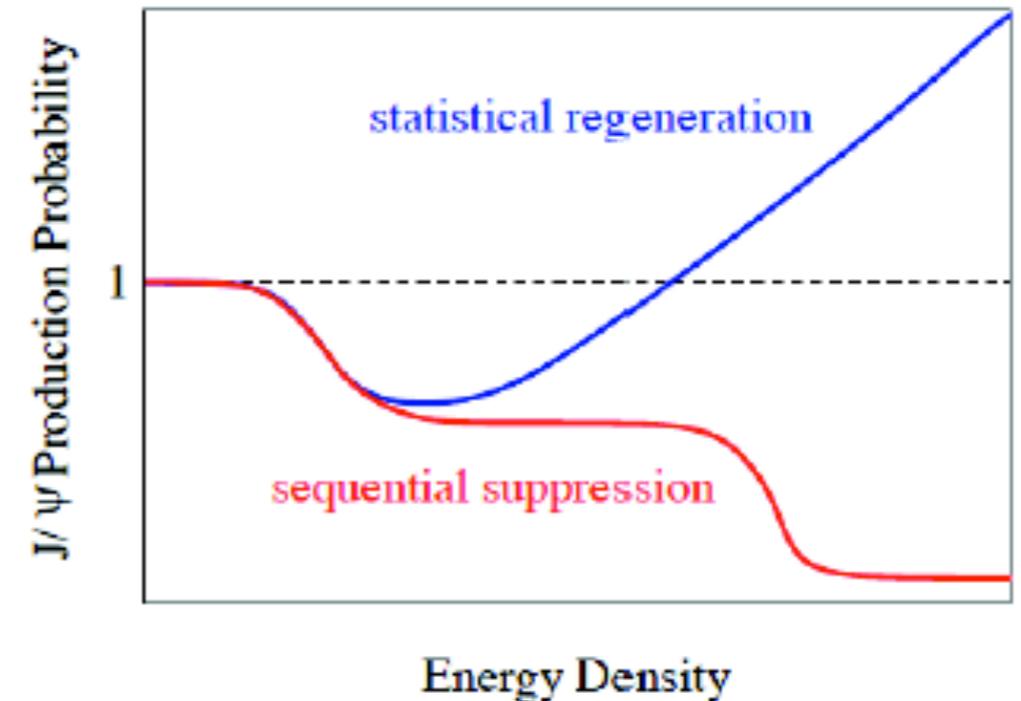
- High-energy → large number of $c\bar{c}$ pairs
~80 pairs in central Pb-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV

Statistical approach:

- charmonium fully melted in QGP
- charmonium produced at chemical freeze-out

Kinematic recombination:

- Continuous dissociation/regeneration over QGP lifetime



Robert L. Thews, Martin Schroedter, and Johann Rafelski, Phys. Rev. C 63, 054905

P. Braun-Munzinger and J. Stachel, Phys.Lett. B490 (2000) 196-202

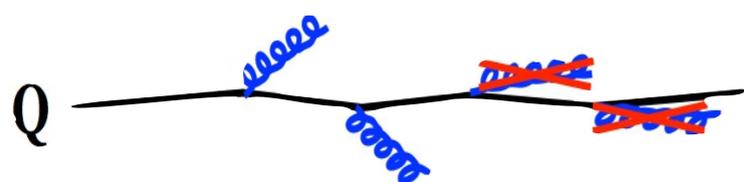
Regeneration → charmonium enhanced
contrary to color screening

Heavy quark: *simplifying a bit ...*



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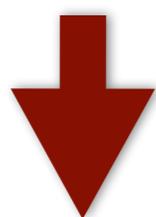
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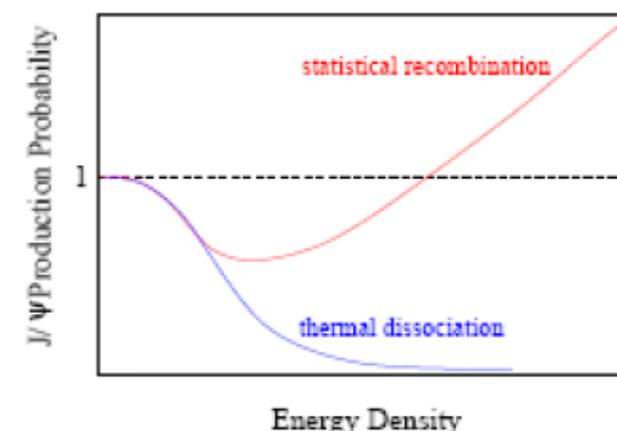
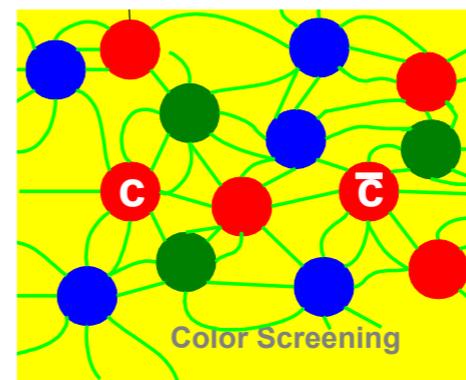
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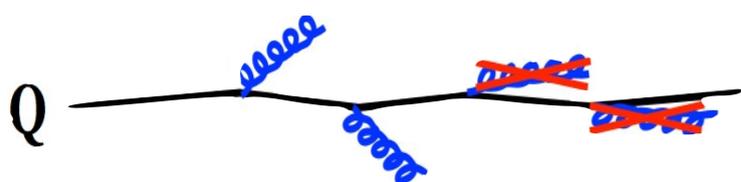
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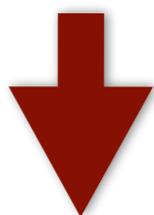
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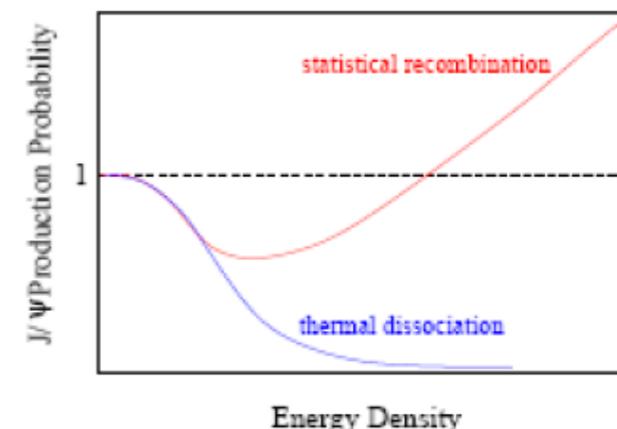
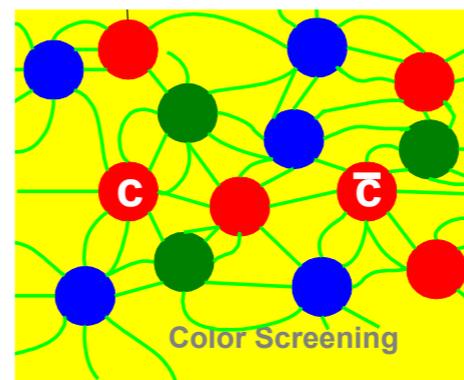
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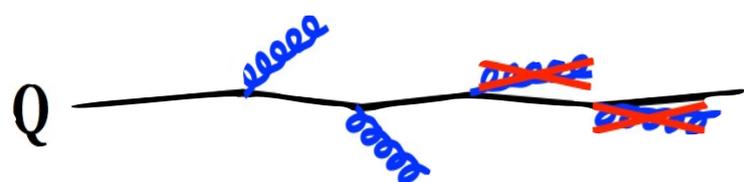
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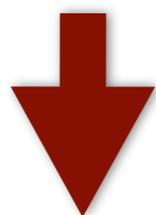
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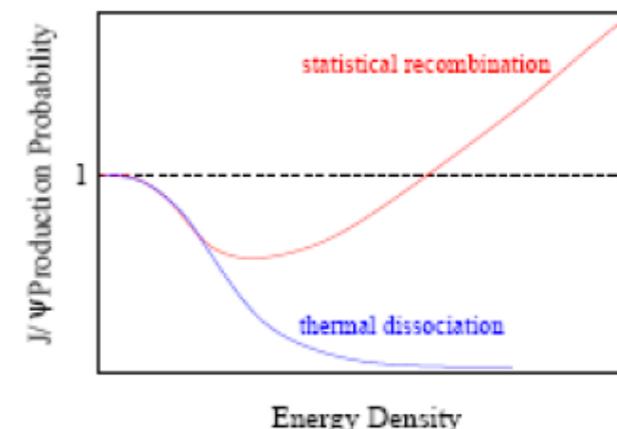
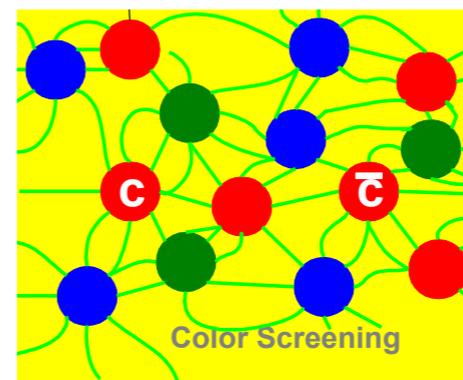
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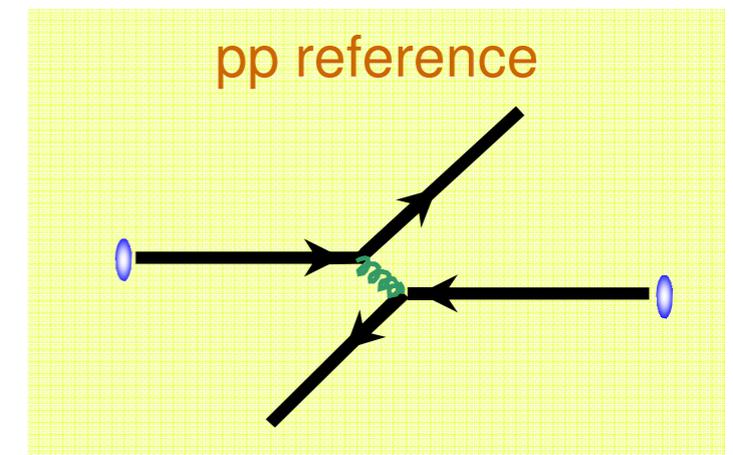
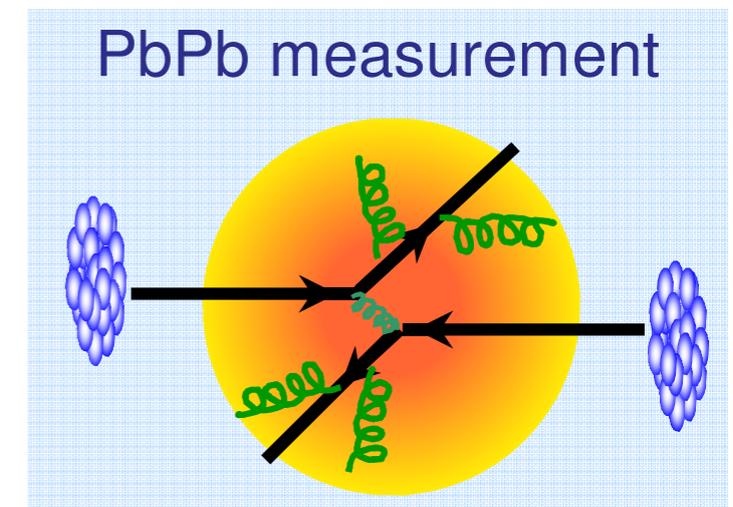
Nuclear Modification Factor



☑ Production of hard probes in AA expected to scale with the number of nucleon-nucleon collisions N_{coll} (binary scaling)

☑ Observable: **Nuclear Modification Factor**

$$R_{AA}^D(p_T) = \frac{dN_{AA}^D / dp_T}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle \times d\sigma_{pp}^D / dp_T} = \frac{\text{QCD Medium}}{\text{QCD vacuum}}$$



☑ What are the possibilities?

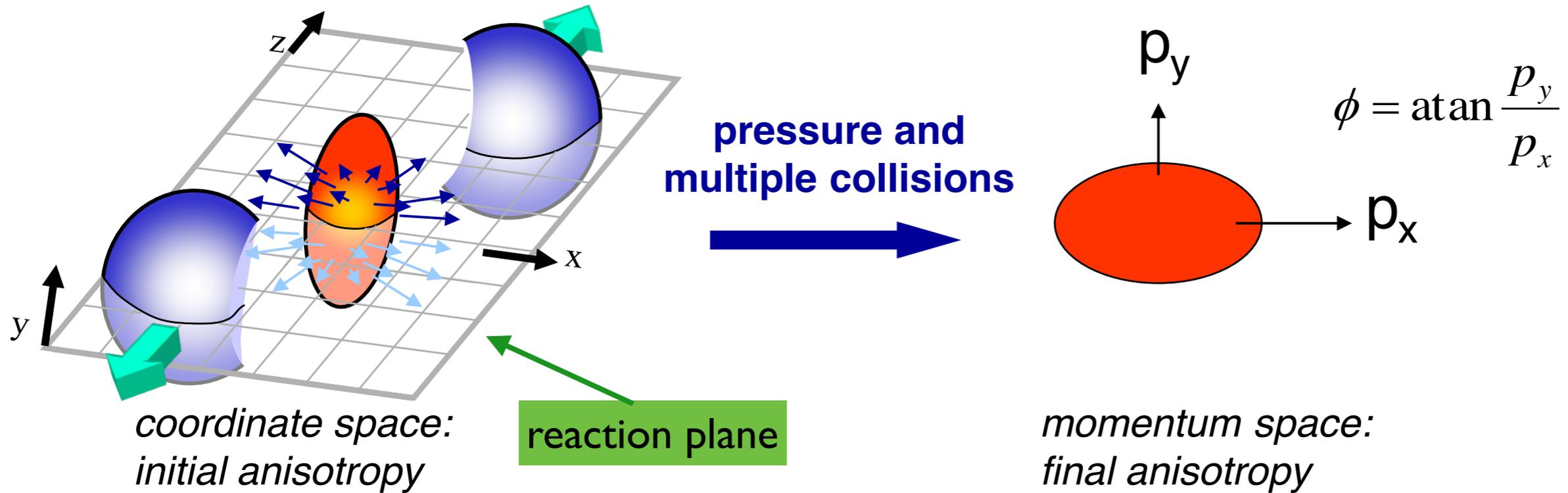
- If no nuclear effects present: $R_{AA} = 1$
- Effects of the hot and dense medium produced in the collision breakup binary scaling: $R_{AA} \neq 1$

$$R_{AA}(\text{light}) < R_{AA}(D) < R_{AA}(B)$$

several caveat to take into account!!

☑ But also cold nuclear matter effects may lead to $R_{AA} \neq 1$ (**needs solid pA reference**)

... a more differential study: Elliptic flow



- Quantified via the 2nd order Fourier coefficient **v_2 (Elliptic flow)**

$$\frac{dN}{d\varphi} = \frac{N_0}{2\pi} (1 + 2v_1 \cos(\varphi - \Psi_{RP}) + 2v_2 \cos 2(\varphi - \Psi_{RP}) + \dots)$$

- Carries information on medium transport properties:

Low p_T : Do b and c take part to the collective motion?

- High p_T : Path-length dependence of parton energy loss**



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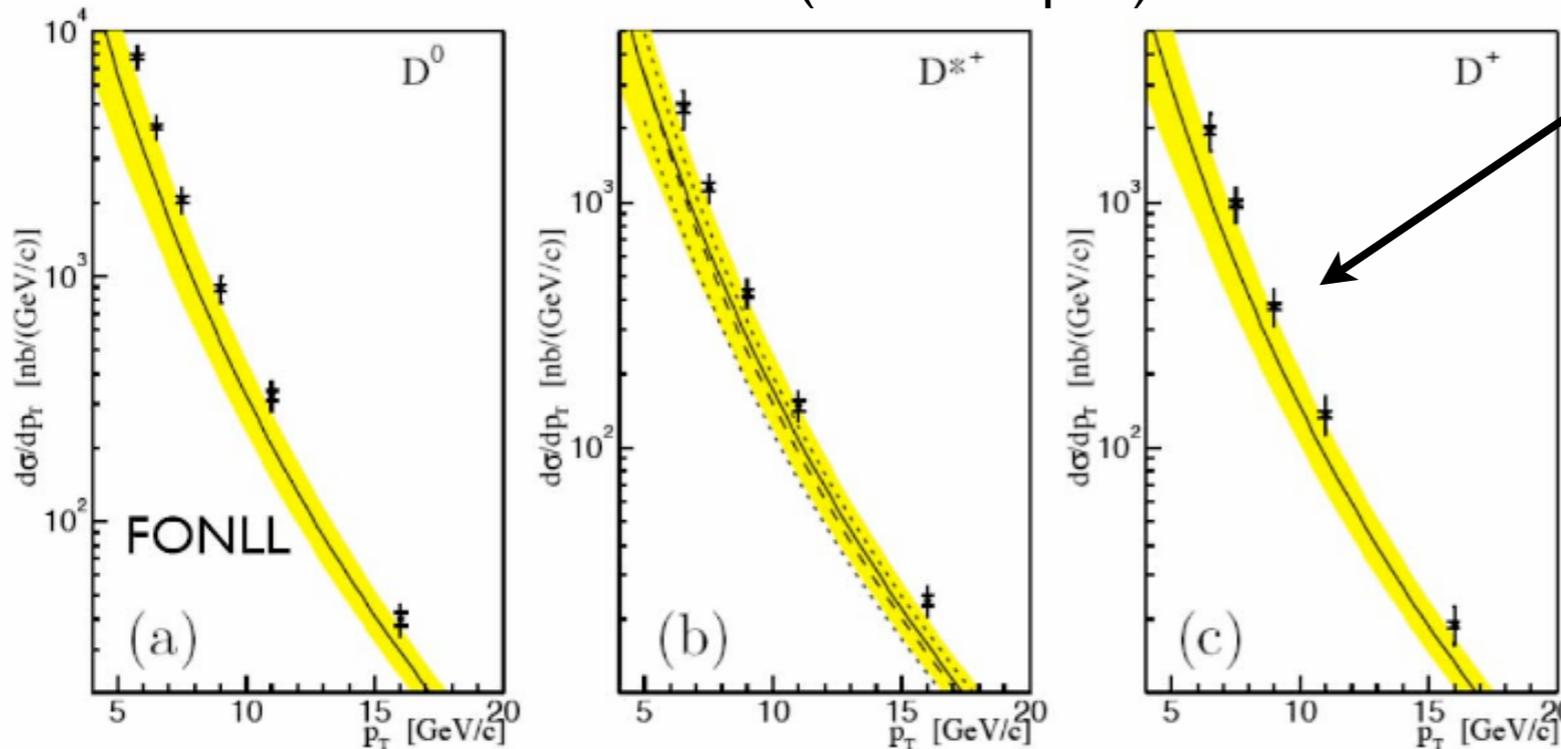
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Back to 2003 - Tevatron results @ 1.96 TeV



CDF Run II ($5.8 \pm 0.3 \text{ pb}^{-1}$)



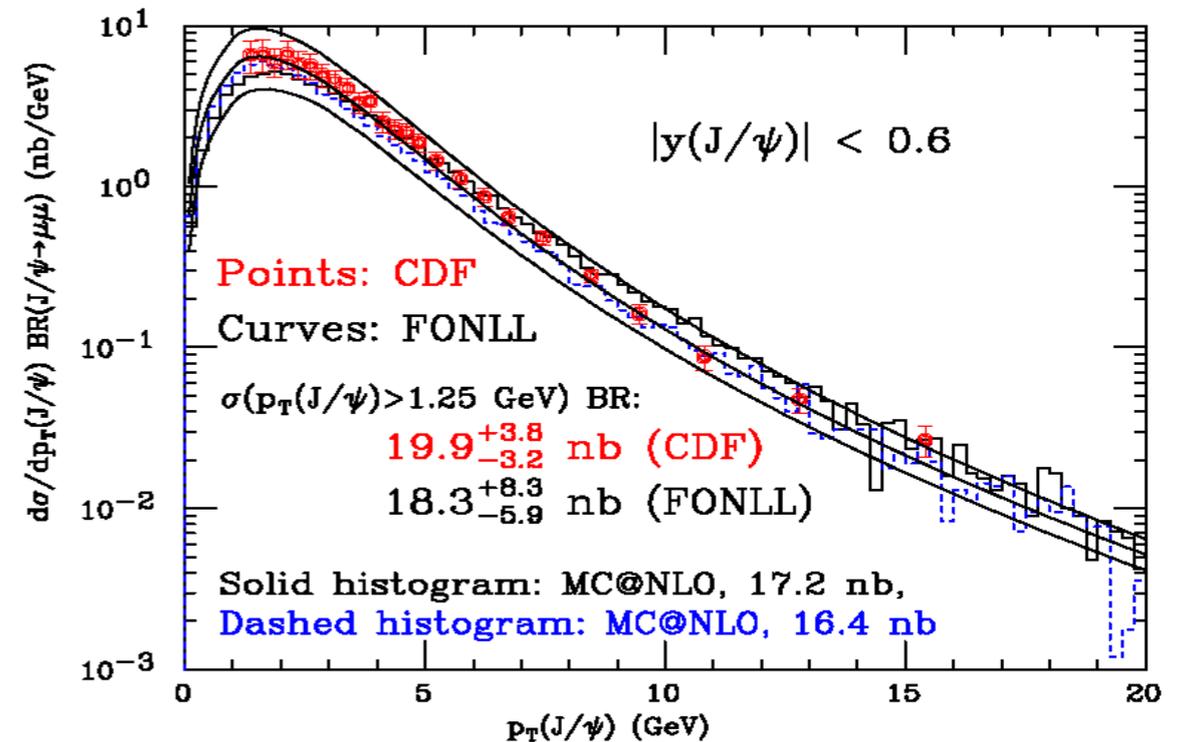
Measurements are at the edge of theoretical uncertainties.

- $D^0 (cu) \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ ($BR \sim 3.89\%$),
- $D^+ (cu) \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ ($BR \sim 9.13\%$),
- $D^{*+} (cd) \rightarrow D^0 (K^+ \pi^-) \pi^+$ ($BR \sim 2.63\%$),

CDF, PRL91 (2003) 241804,
FONLL: M. Cacciari and P. Nason, JHEP 0309, 006 (2003)

FONLL, MC@NLO: Cacciari, Frixione, Mangano, Nason and Ridolfi, JHEP0407 (2004) 033

- ☑ Good understanding, within the errors, of b production at Tevatron (and LHC energies).
- ☑ Charm cross section studies, more complex, available since Tevatron Run II.



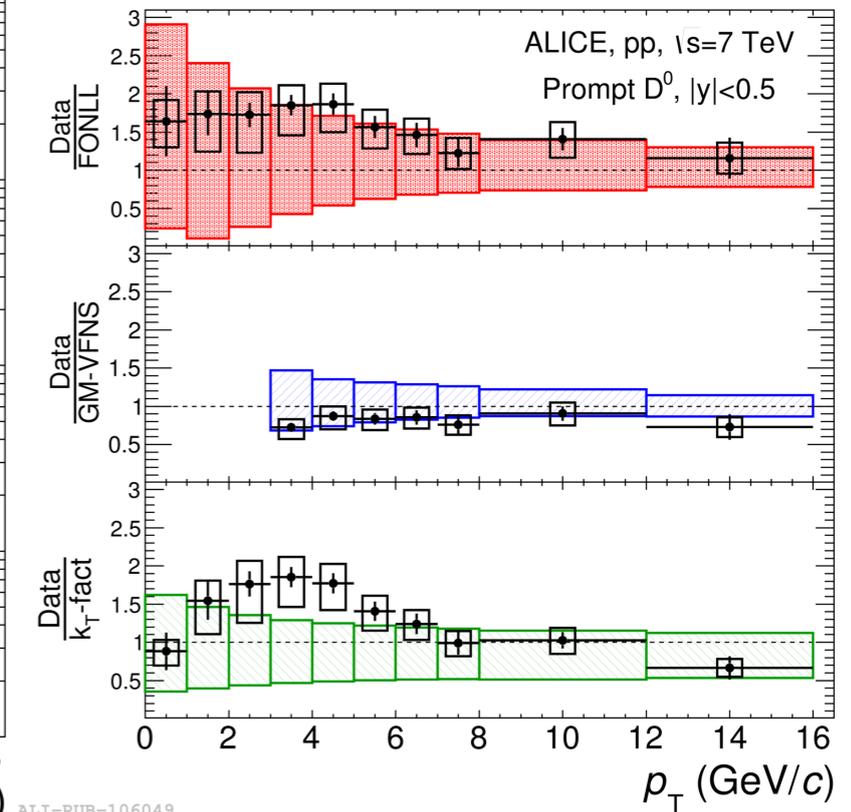
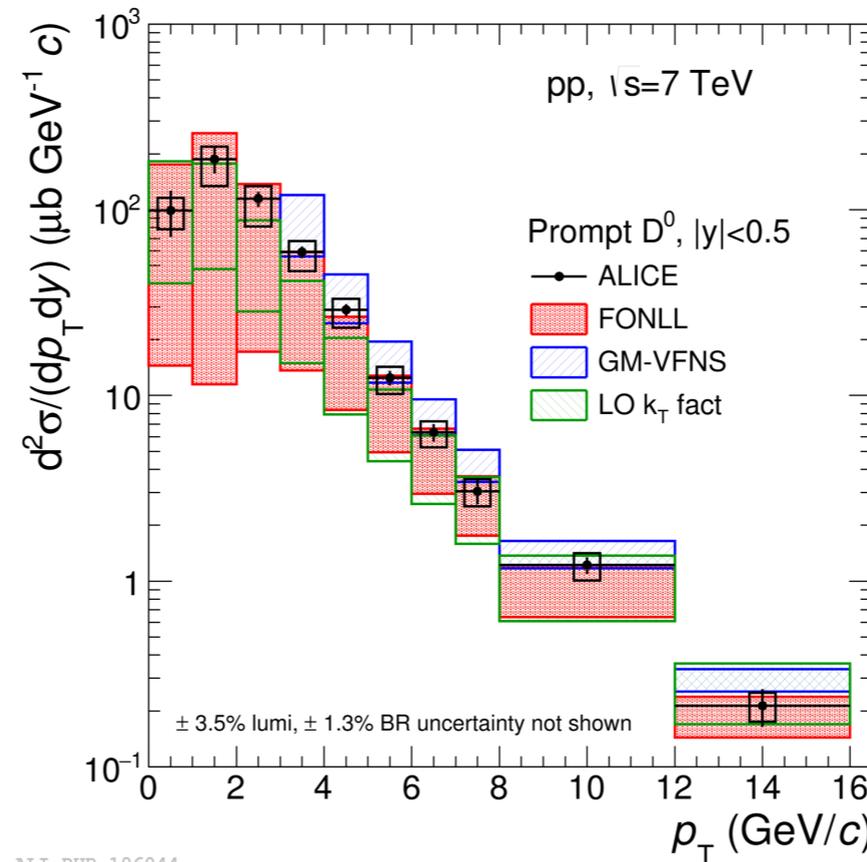
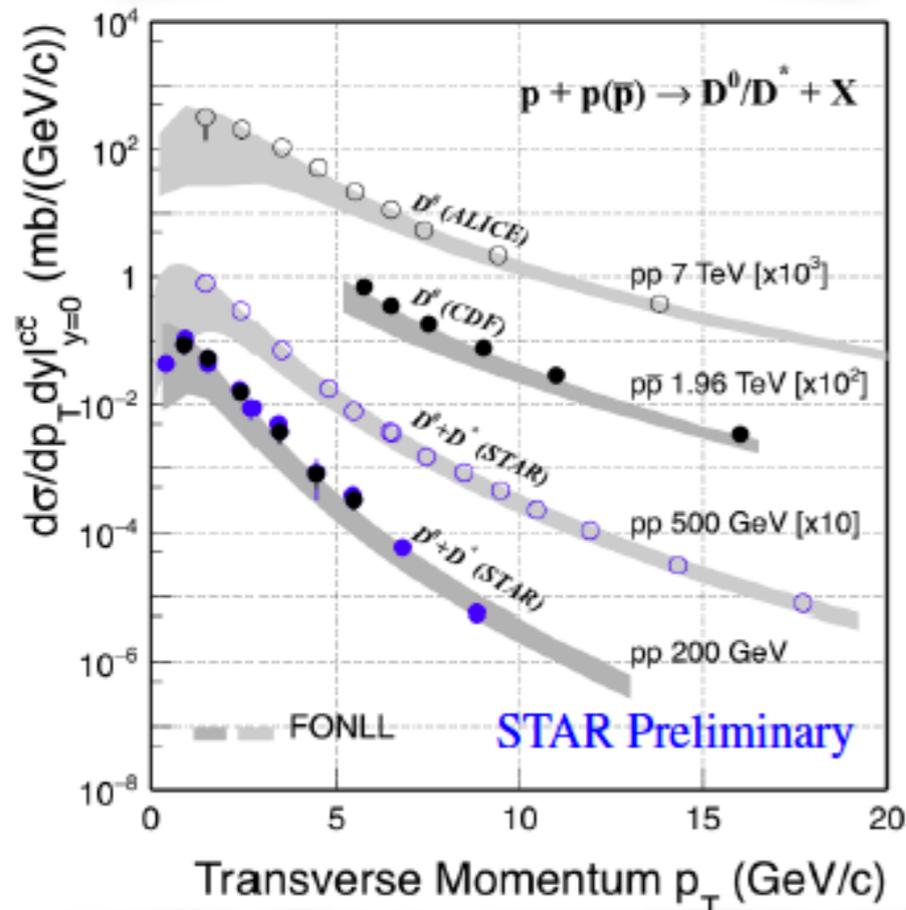
D meson - production cross-section: 0.2-7 TeV



$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$

STAR@ 0.2 and 0.5 TeV

ALICE@ 7 TeV



ArXiv: 1601.00695

2015 J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 589 012002

arXiv:1605.07569

ALICE Coll., JHEP 1201 (2012) 128

Results are in agreement with p QCD within errors

M. Cacciari, M. Greco and P. Nason, JHEP 9805 (1998) 007;

M. Cacciari, S. Frixione, N. Houdeau, M. L. Mangano, P. Nason, G. Ridolfi, arXiv:1205.6344

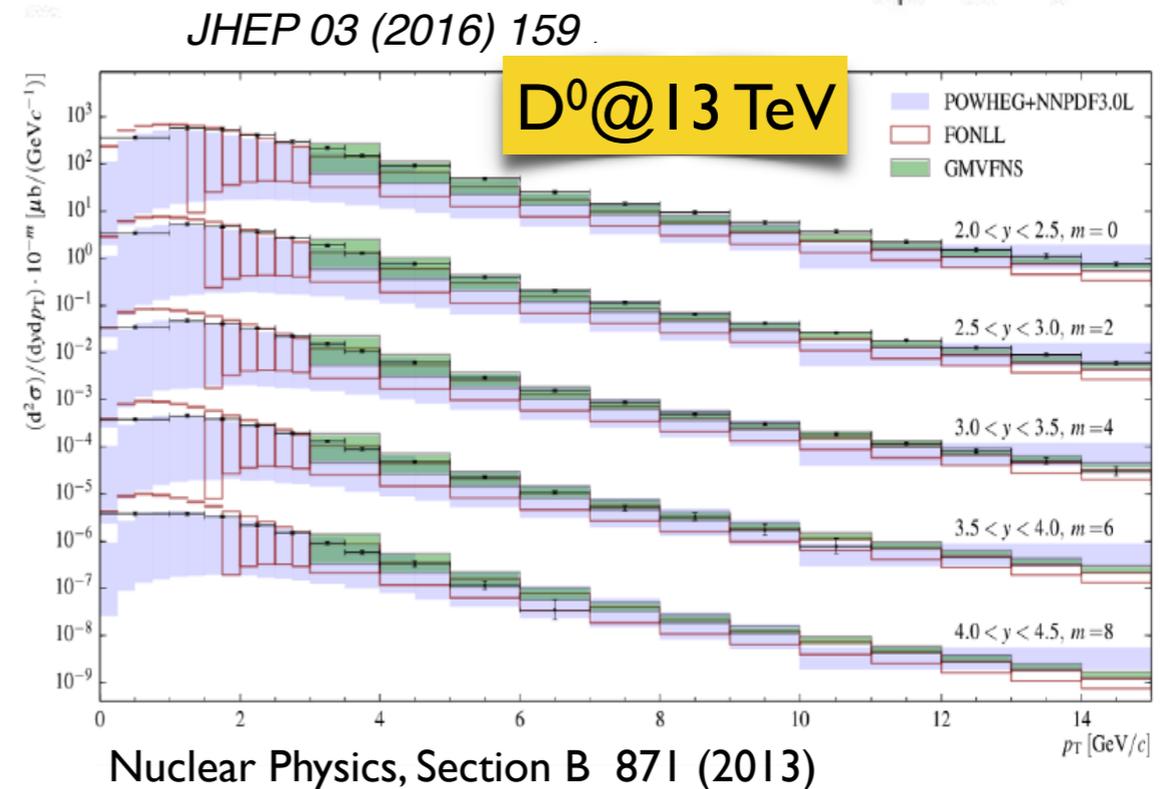
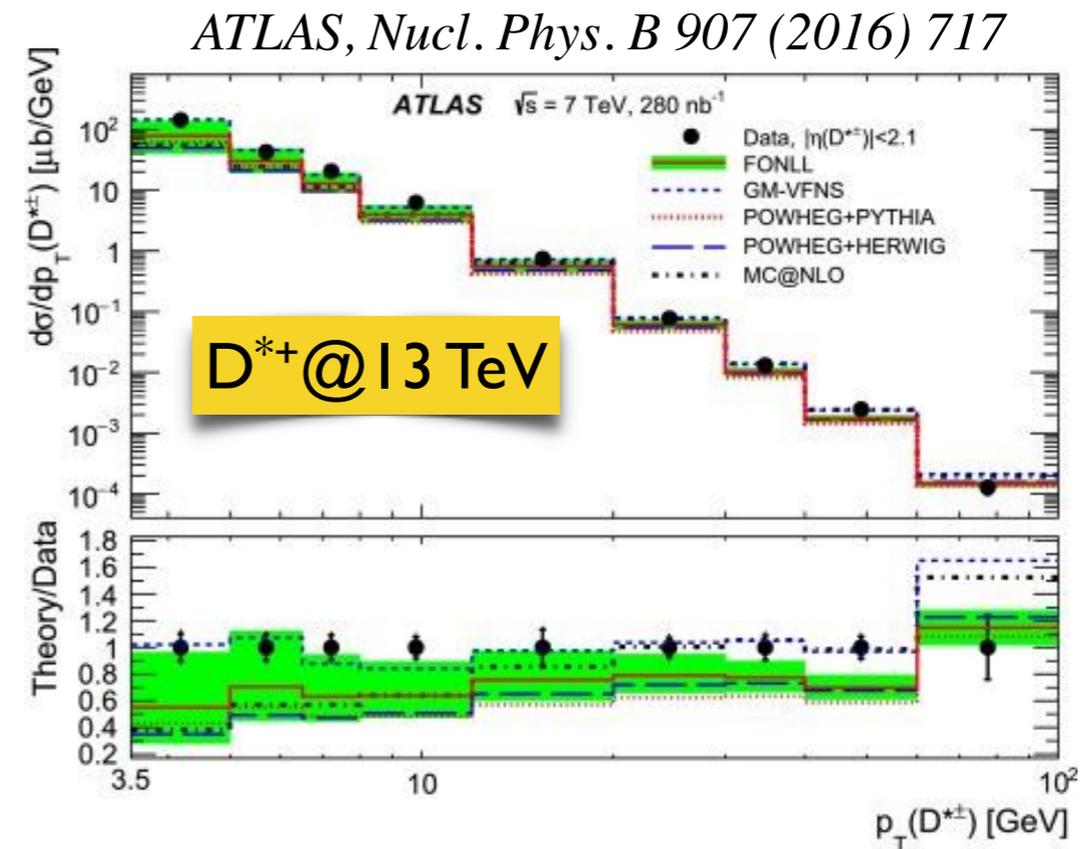
B.A. Kniehl, G. Kramer, I. Schienbein, H. Spiesberger, arXiv:1202.0439, DESY-12-013, MZ-TH-12-07, LPSC-12019

D meson - production cross-section: 13 TeV



✓ D mesons measured by ATLAS down to $p_T = 3.5$ GeV/c. Results on the upper side of the FONLL error band.

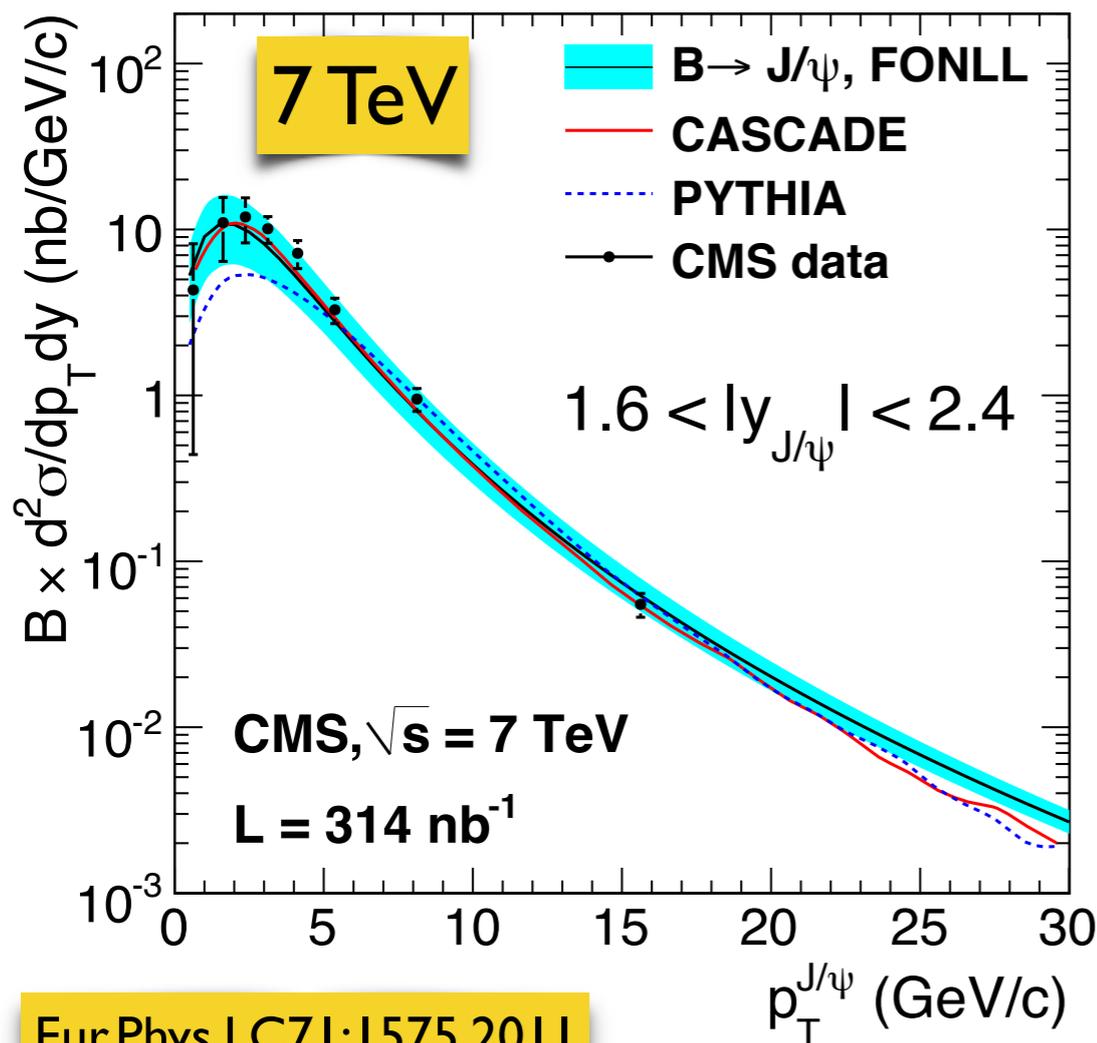
✓ LHCb measured D mesons (including D_s) down to 0 p_T at forward rapidity $2 < y < 4.5$ both at 7 and 13 TeV. Agreement with FONLL similar as the one found by ALICE and ATLAS at central rapidity.



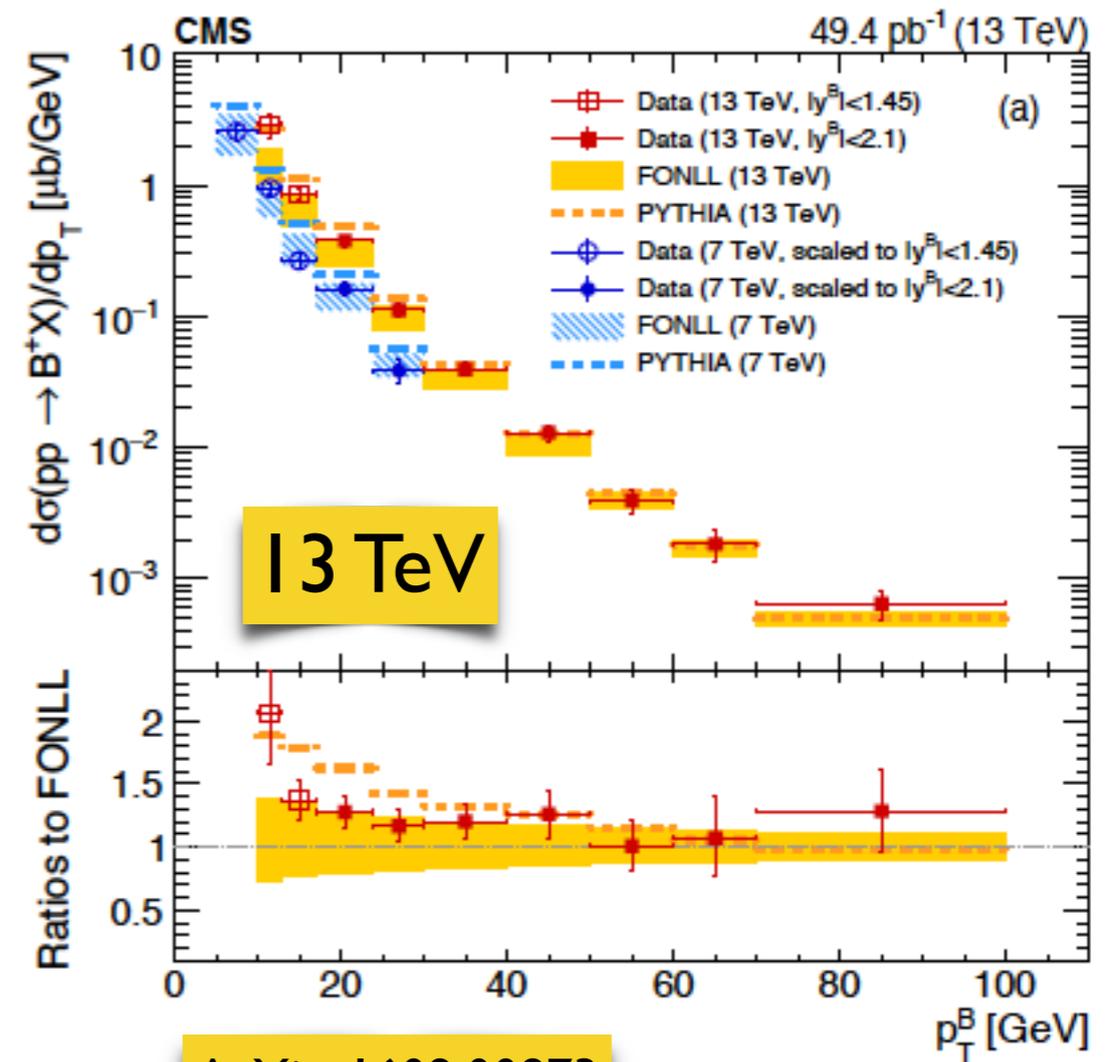
Beauty hadron: production cross-section



- ✓ CMS measured the non-prompt J/Ψ production in different rapidity intervals from $-2.4 < y < 2.4$ at 7 TeV and, recently, the fully reconstructed $B^+ \rightarrow J/\Psi K$ at 13 TeV.
- ✓ Good understanding, within uncertainties, of b production at 7 TeV. Some tension build-up at 13 TeV.



Eur.Phys.J.C71:1575,2011



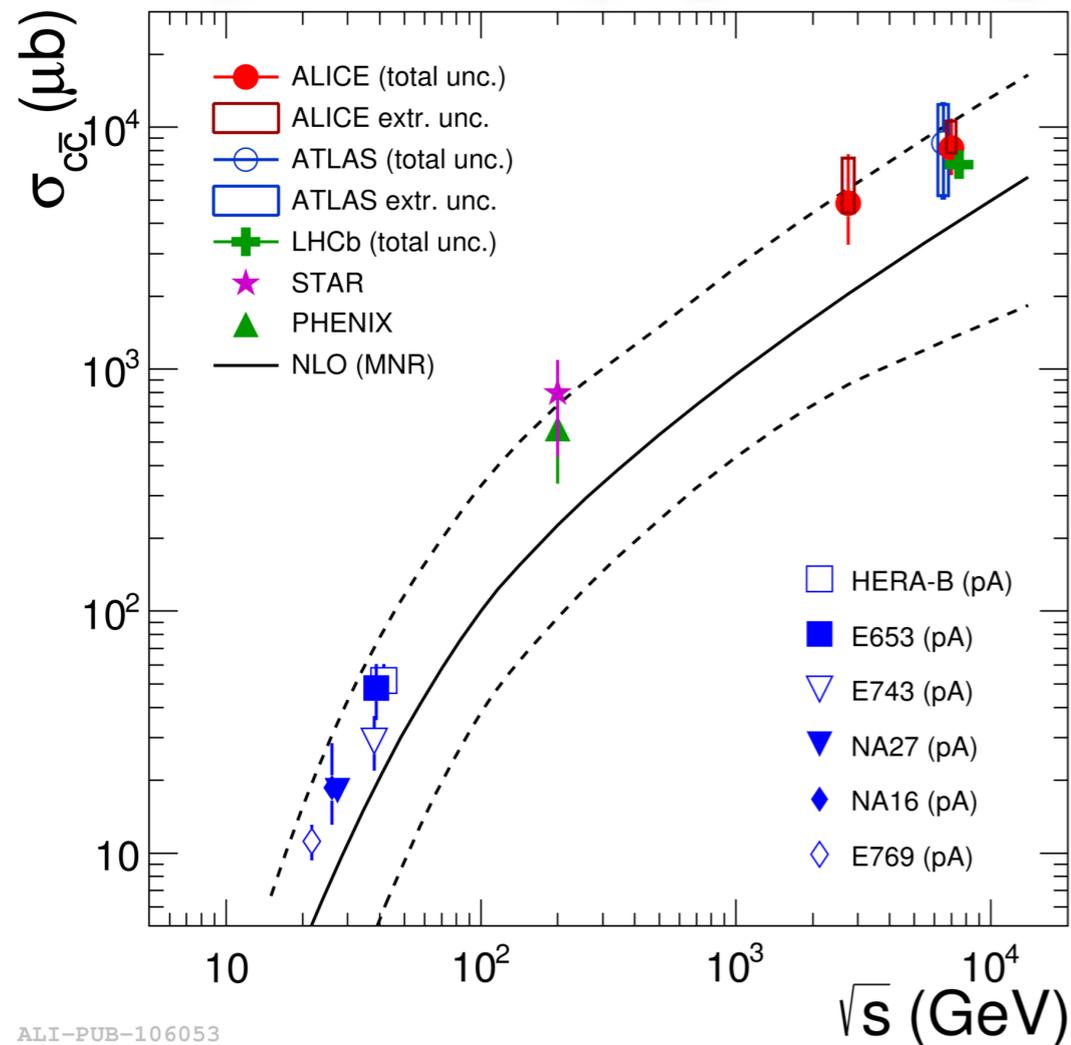
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Total cross section

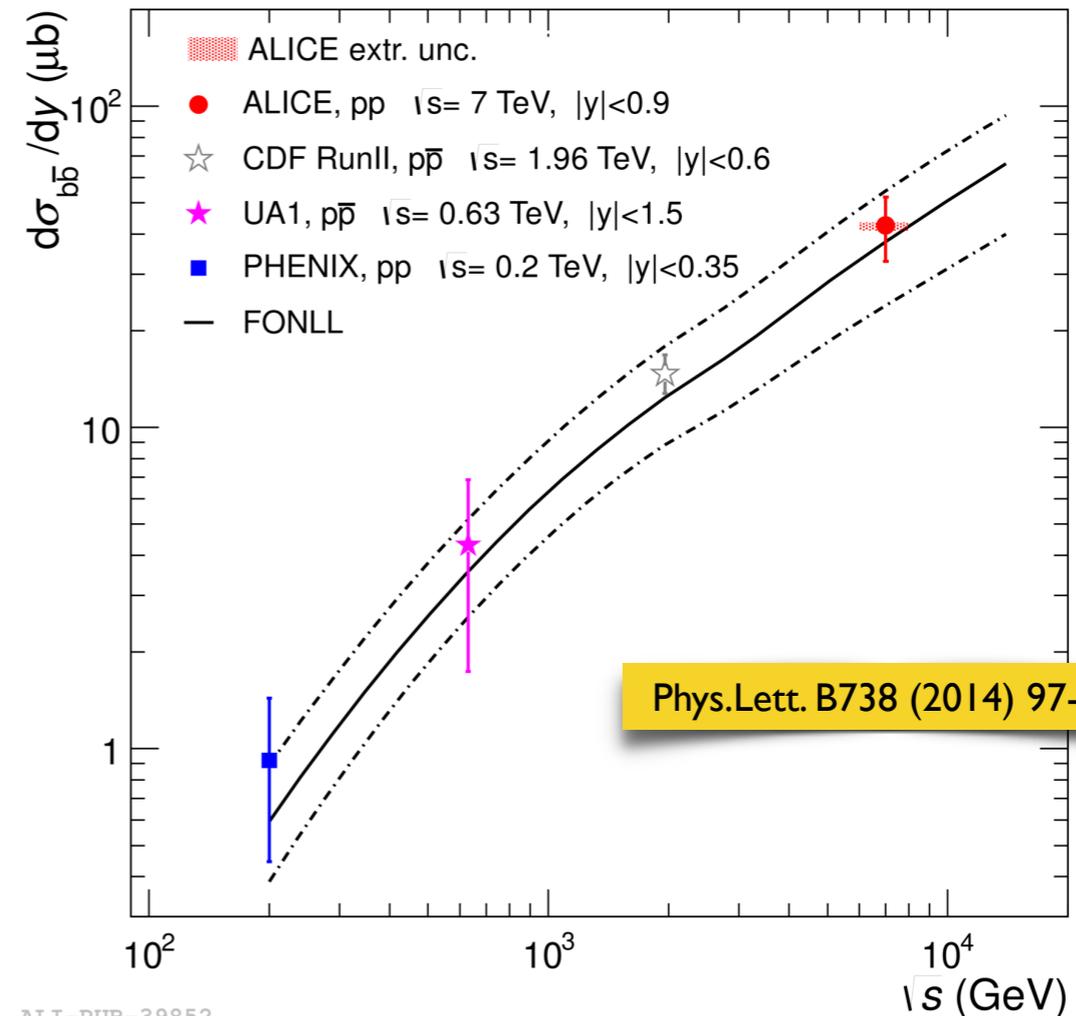


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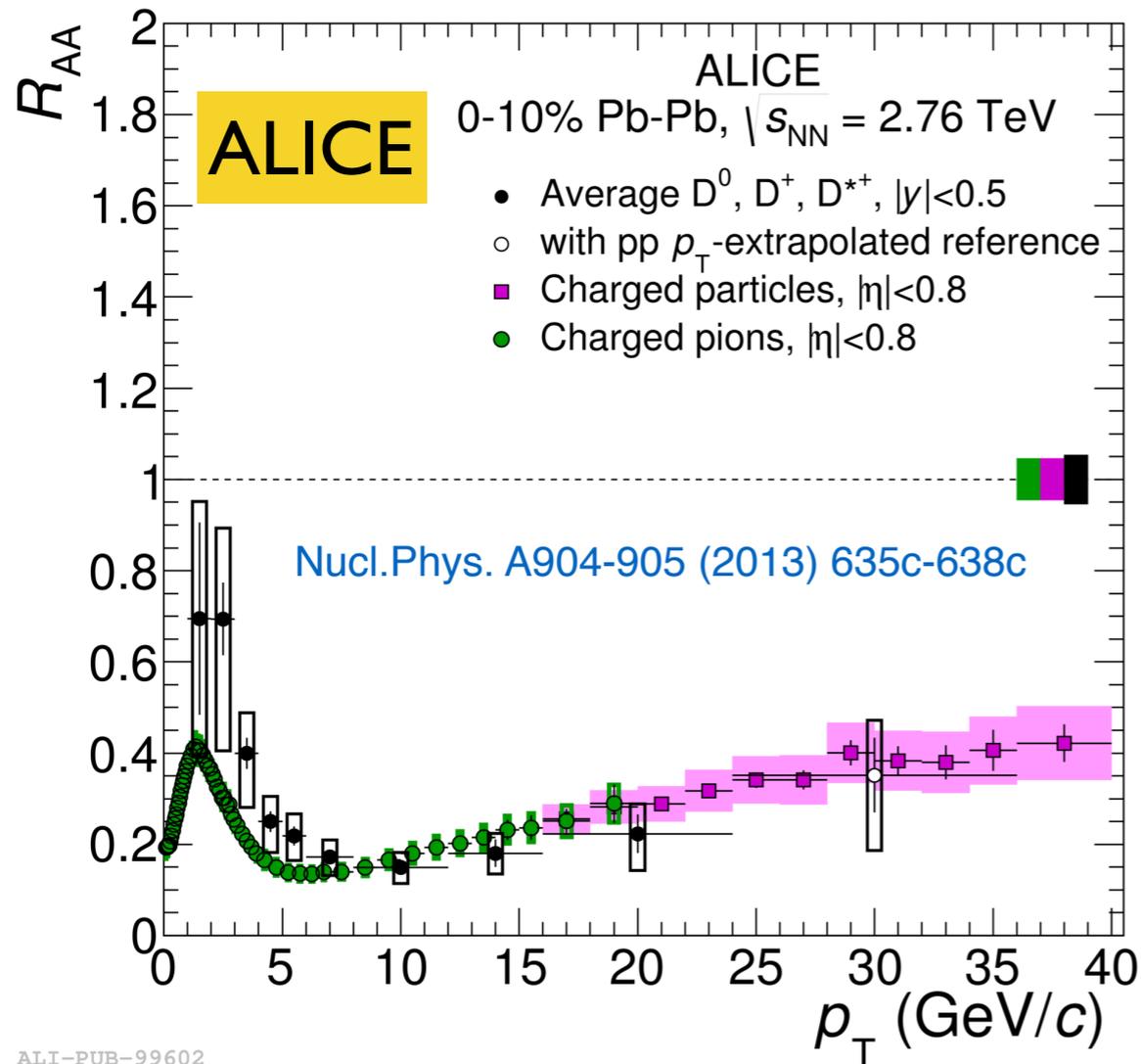
Production well described vs \sqrt{s} however, systematically in the higher side (especially for charm)

pp@ $\sqrt{s} = 8$ and 13 TeV data will set additional constraints.

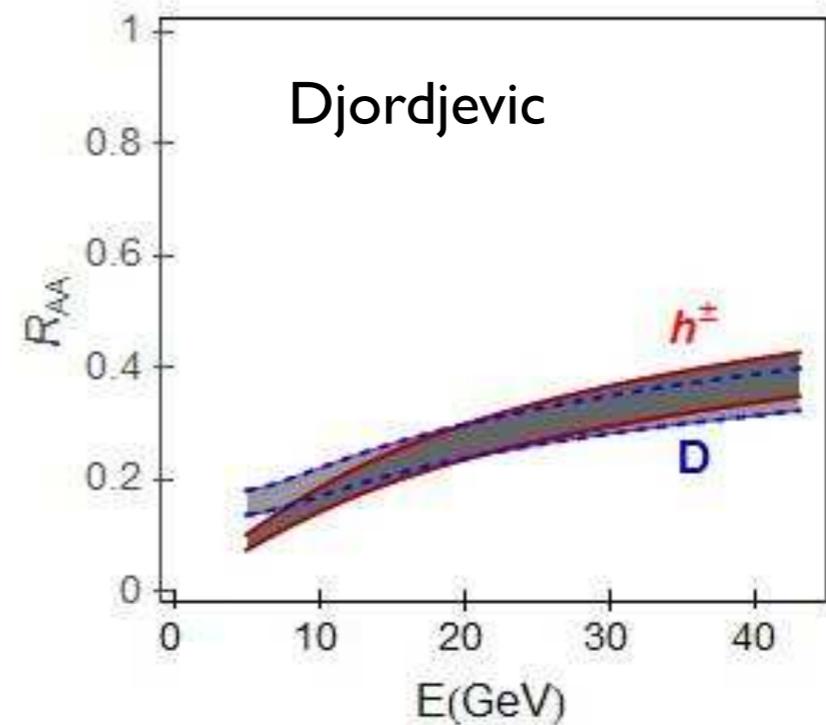


HF production in nucleus-nucleus

R_{AA} : D mesons vs charged particles



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Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 042302 (2014)

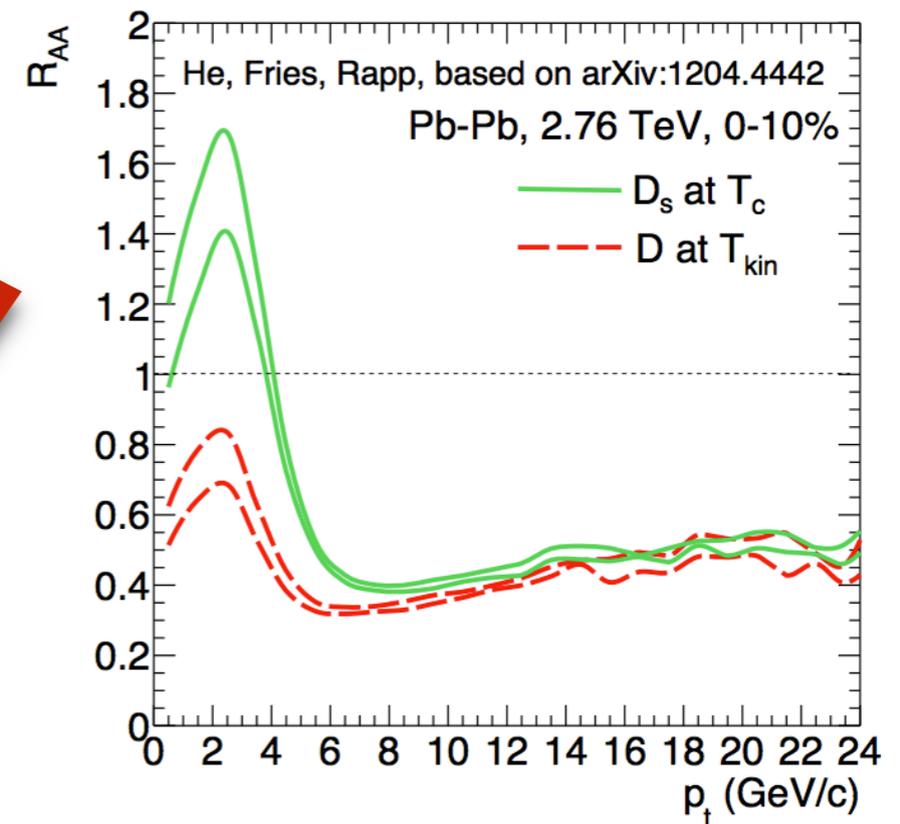
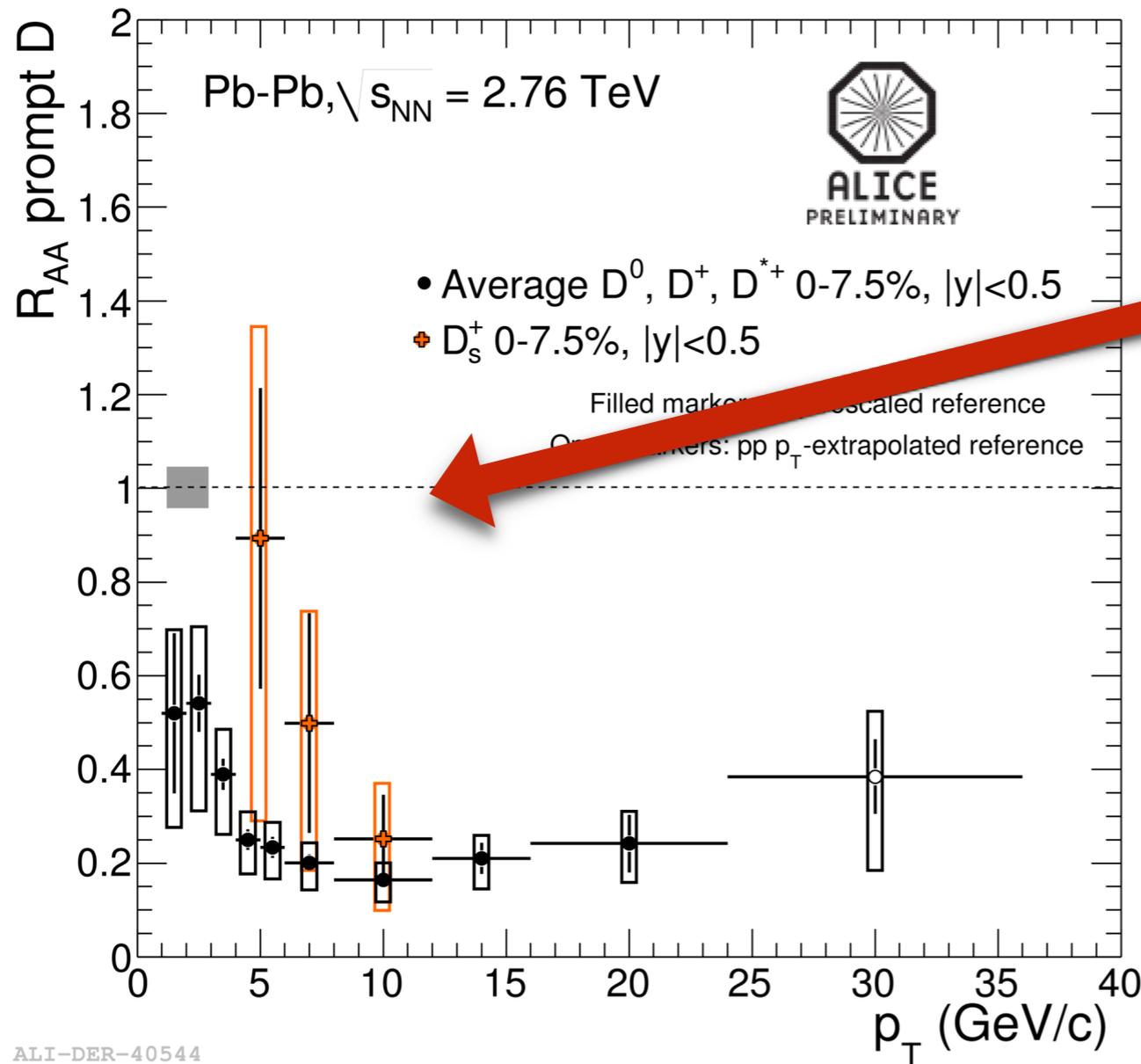
- ☑ D mesons and pions consistent for $p_T \geq 5$ GeV/c. Strong suppression, factor 5 at $p_T = 10$ GeV/c
- ☑ For $p_T \leq 5$ GeV/c we have a hint of lower suppression for pions. Need more statistic!
- ☑ Is it consistent with the picture of dead cone effect?

D_s meson in QGP, a probe for coalescence?



ALICE

- ✓ If **coalescence processes** play a major role in charm hadronization, the R_{AA} of D_s is expected to be largely enhanced with respect the other D R_{AA}



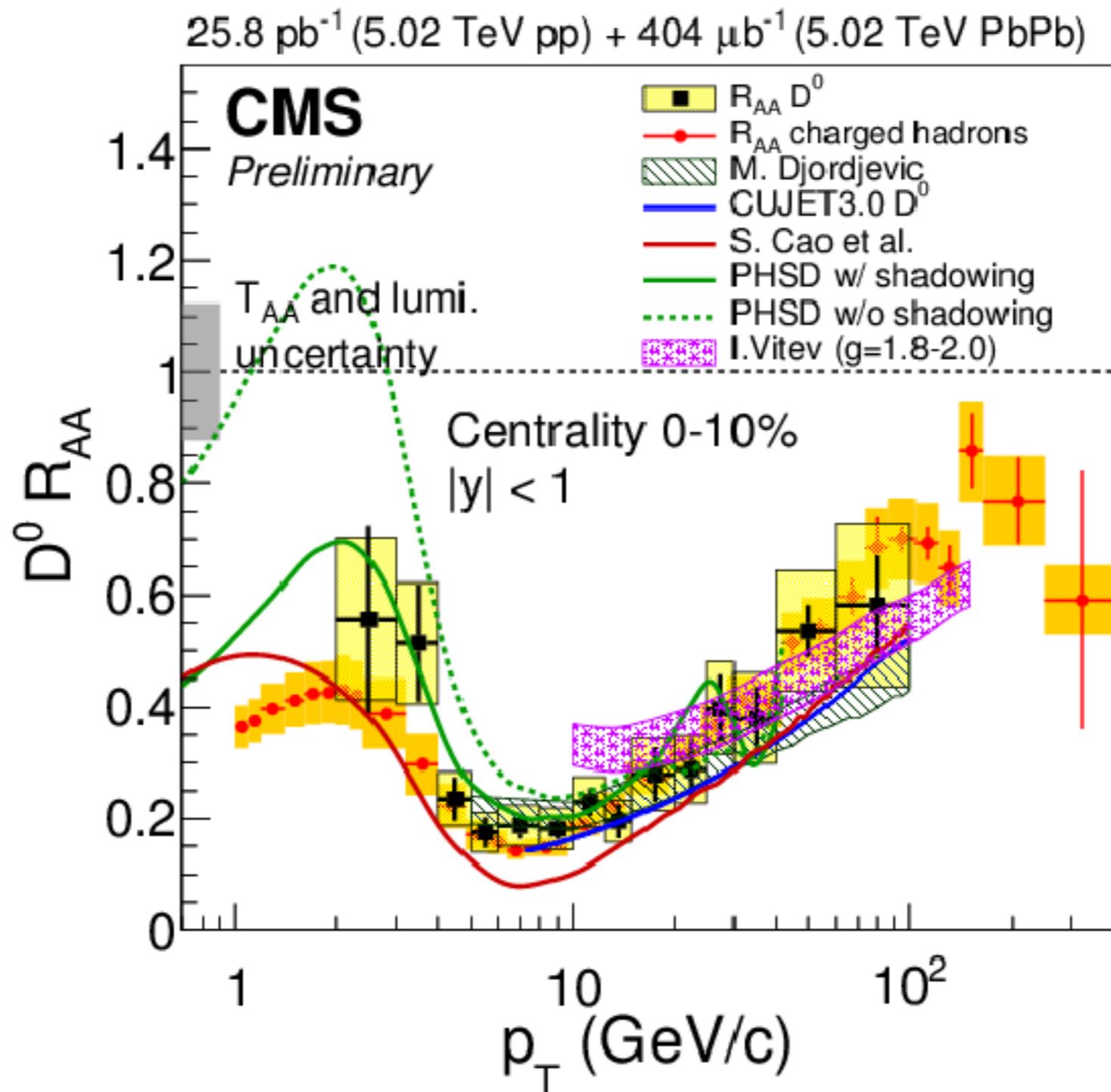
- ✓ TAMU: HF transport code based on **Langevin equation**: collisional energy loss + hydrodynamical evolution

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D mesons R_{AA} : CMS results at 5.02 TeV



CMS PAS HIN-15-015

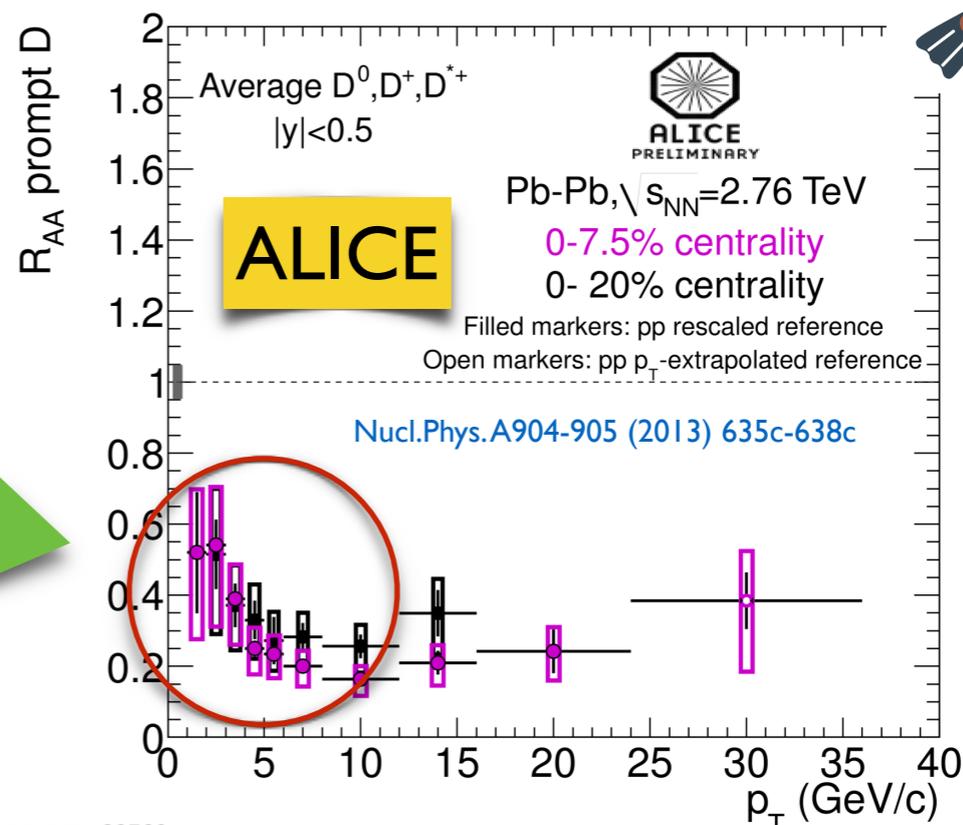
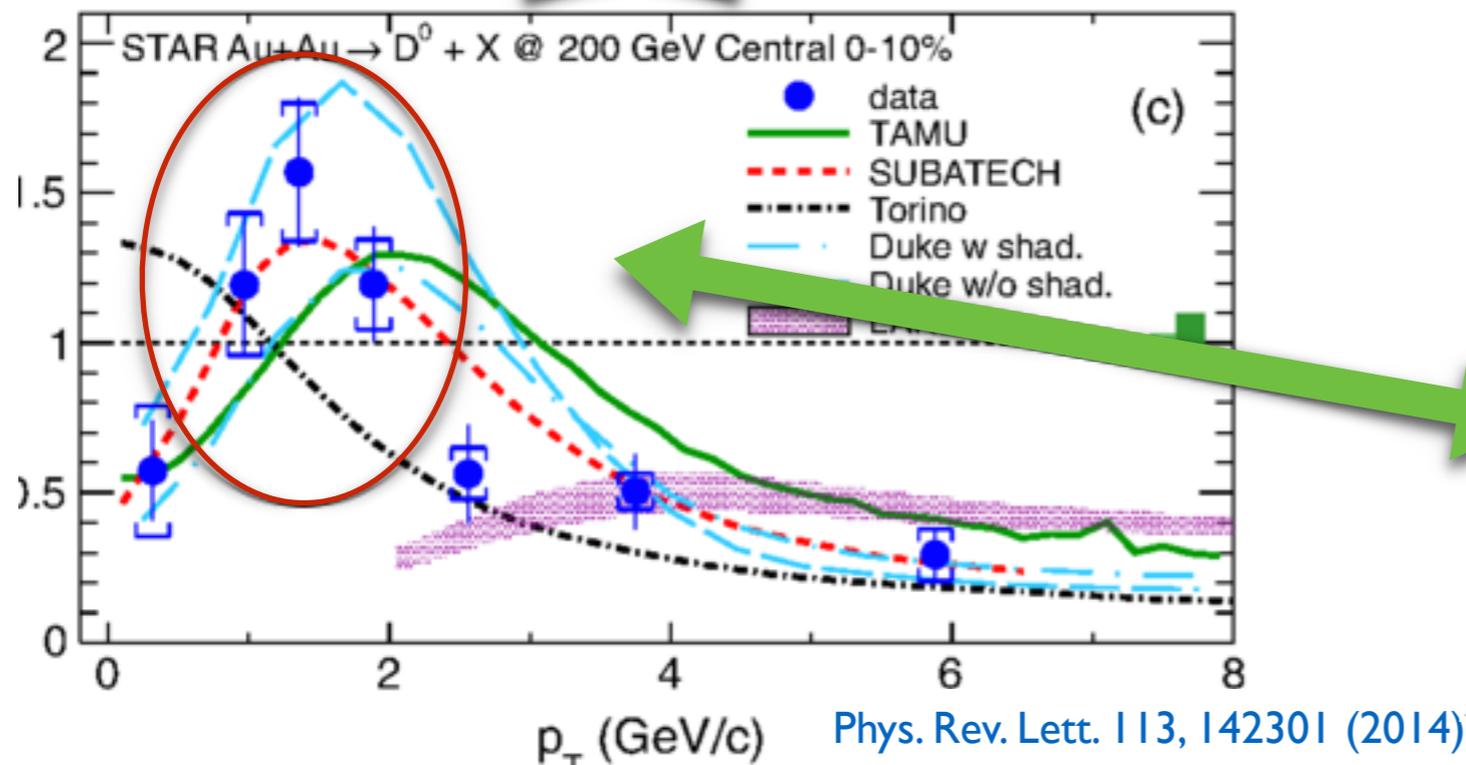
CMS PAS HIN-16-001

- ☑ Very large p_T coverage (up to 100 GeV/c!). Consistent with ALICE results.

D mesons R_{AA} : from RHIC to LHC

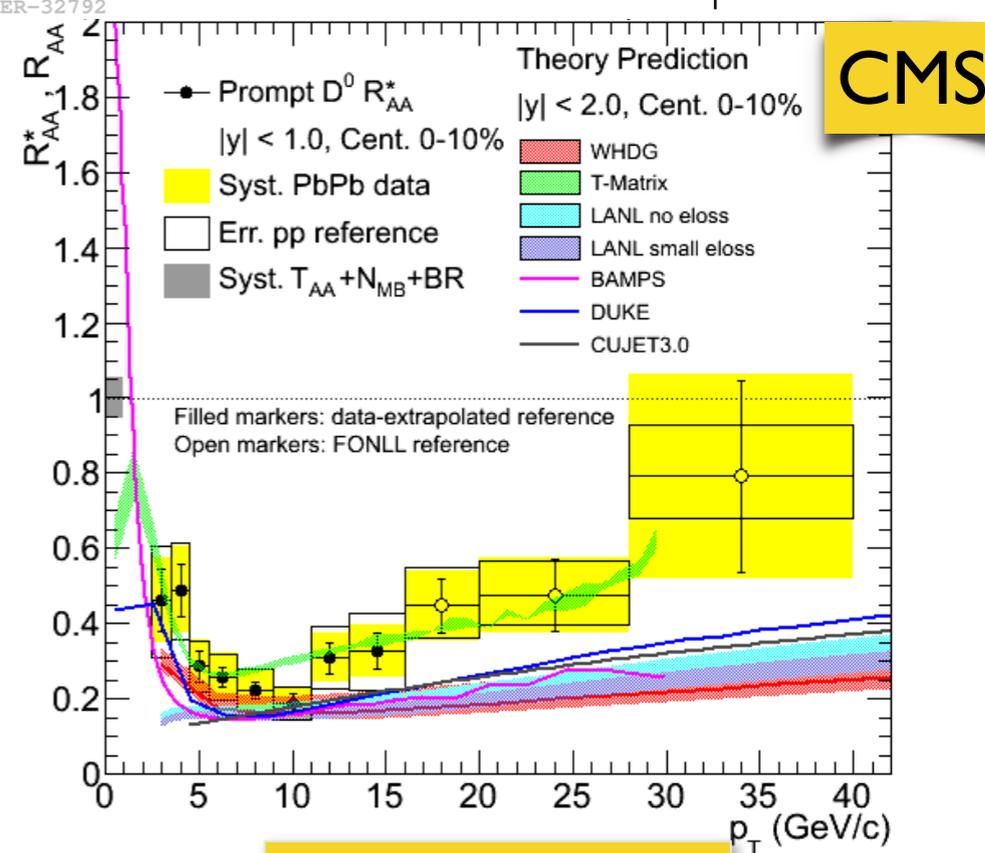


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✓ Different behavior in the p_T region [1,2] GeV/c

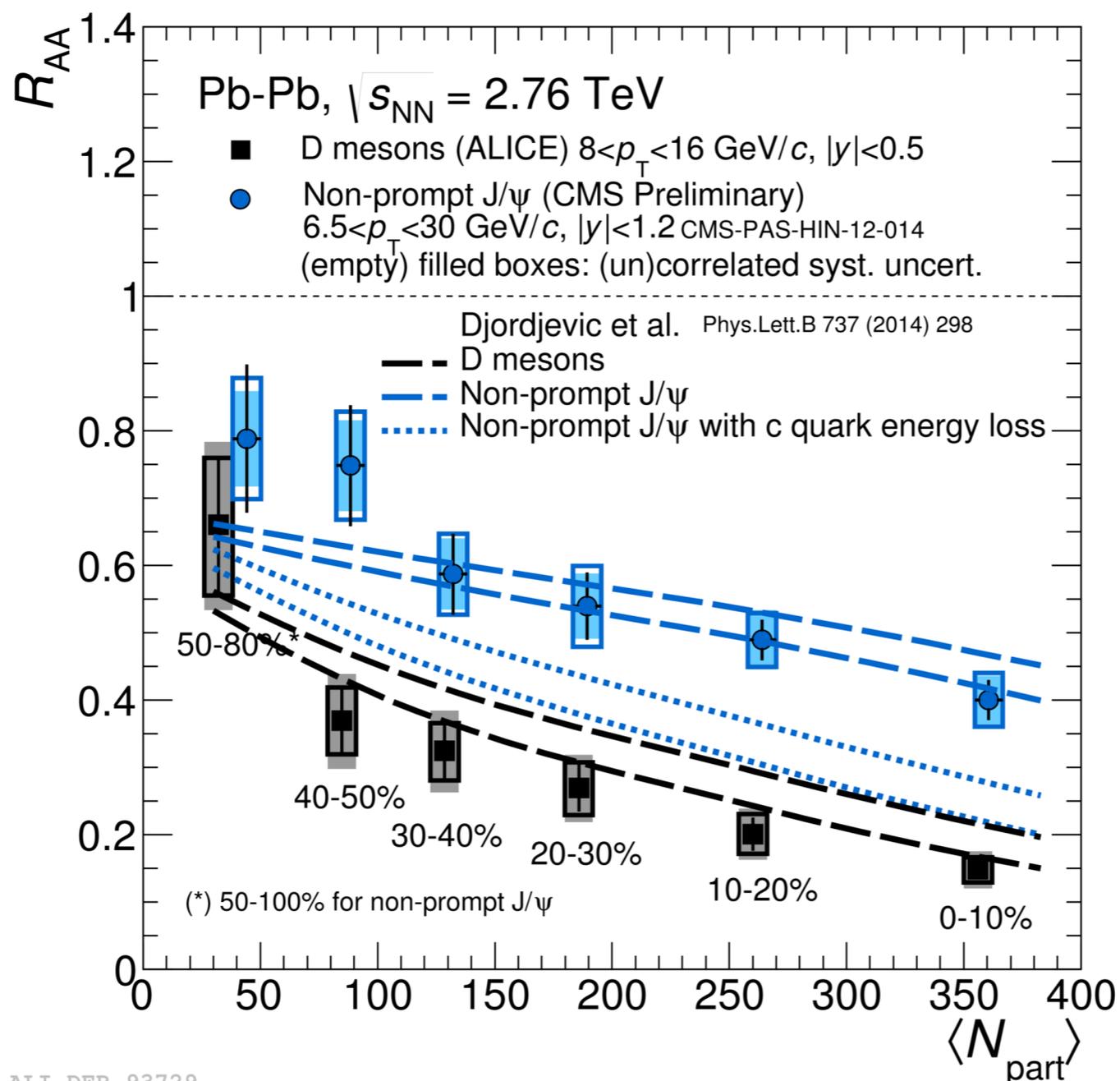
📌 Could it be a combined effect of shadowing, recombination and radial flow? TAMU model would predict an R_{AA} of 1.3 (at 2 GeV/c) at RHIC and ~ 0.8 at LHC.



Mass dependence: D vs B



✓ D meson from ALICE and non-prompt J/ψ from CMS



} consequence of mass difference in pQCD based model calculation

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CMS-PAS-HIN-12_14

arXiv:1411.2442

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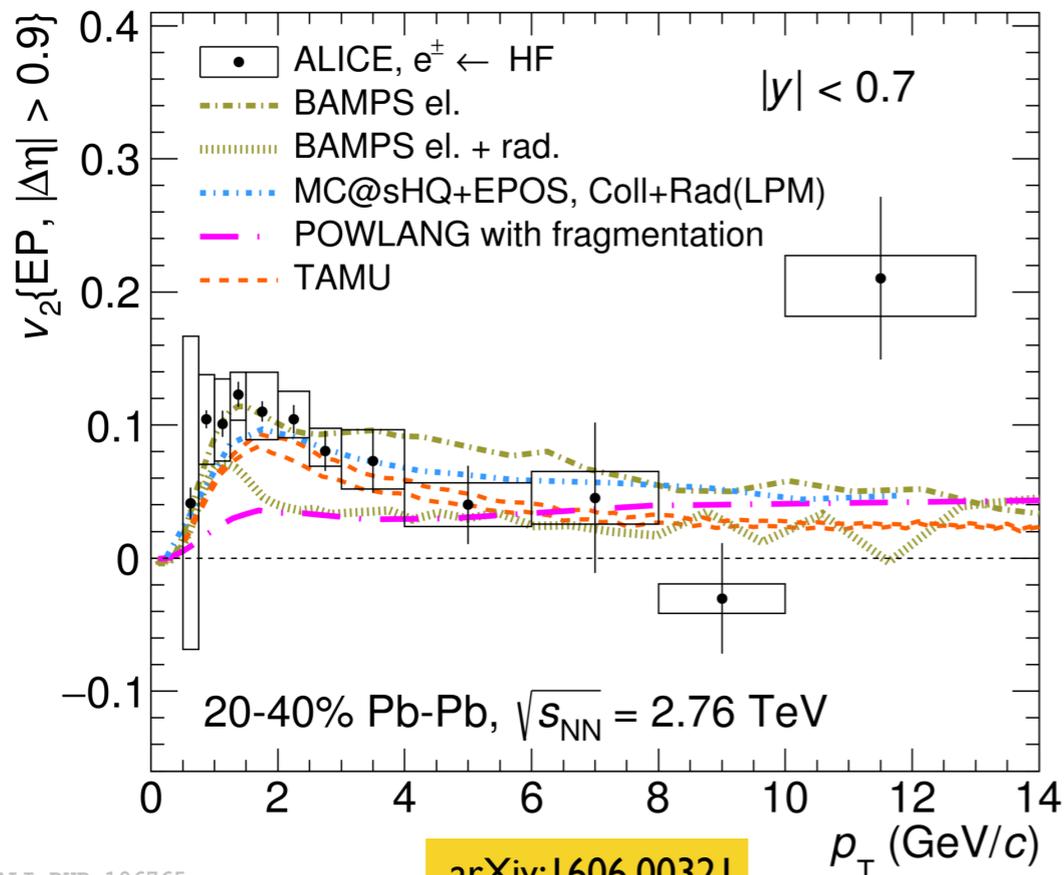
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Elliptic flow (v_2)



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HF-decay electrons

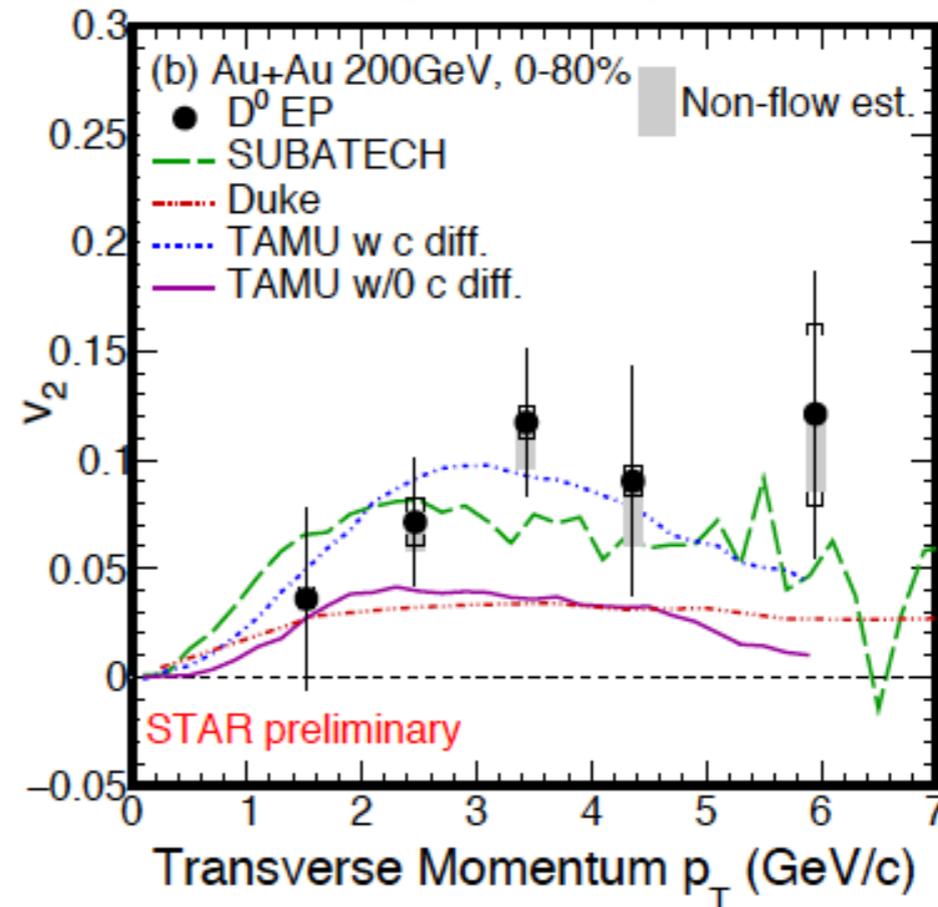


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D mesons



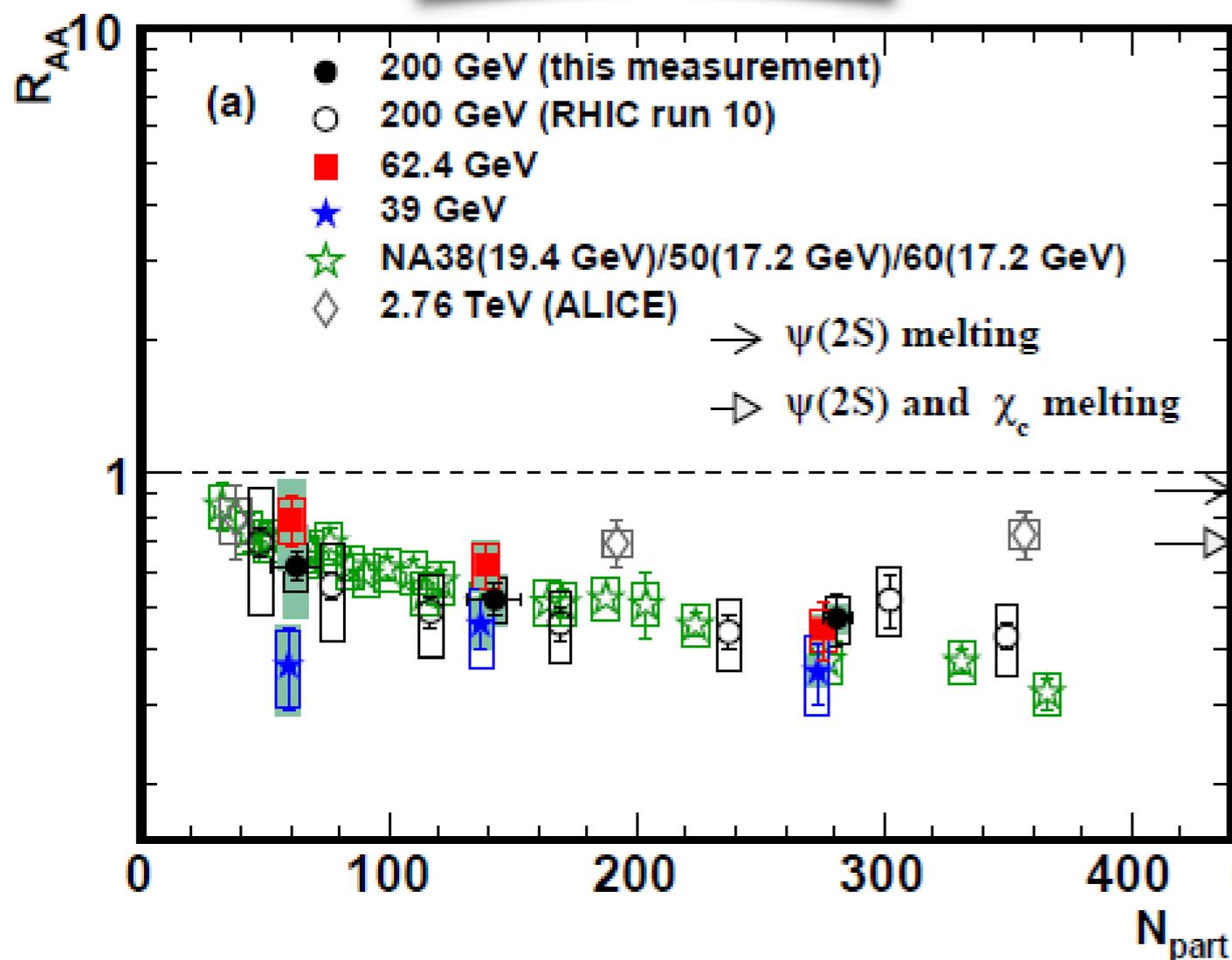
arXiv:1601.00743

- ✓ Elliptic flow measured with D mesons, HF-decay electrons and HF decay muons. Evidence that charm takes part to the collective motion at $> 5\sigma$ level (in the region 2-6 GeV/c).
- ✓ Still measurement uncertainties too large to confirm/exclude models. Need more data (run II and III of LHC and new runs at RHIC)

What about J/Ψ?



STAR, arXiv:1607.07517



✓ No significant $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ dependence up to 200 GeV

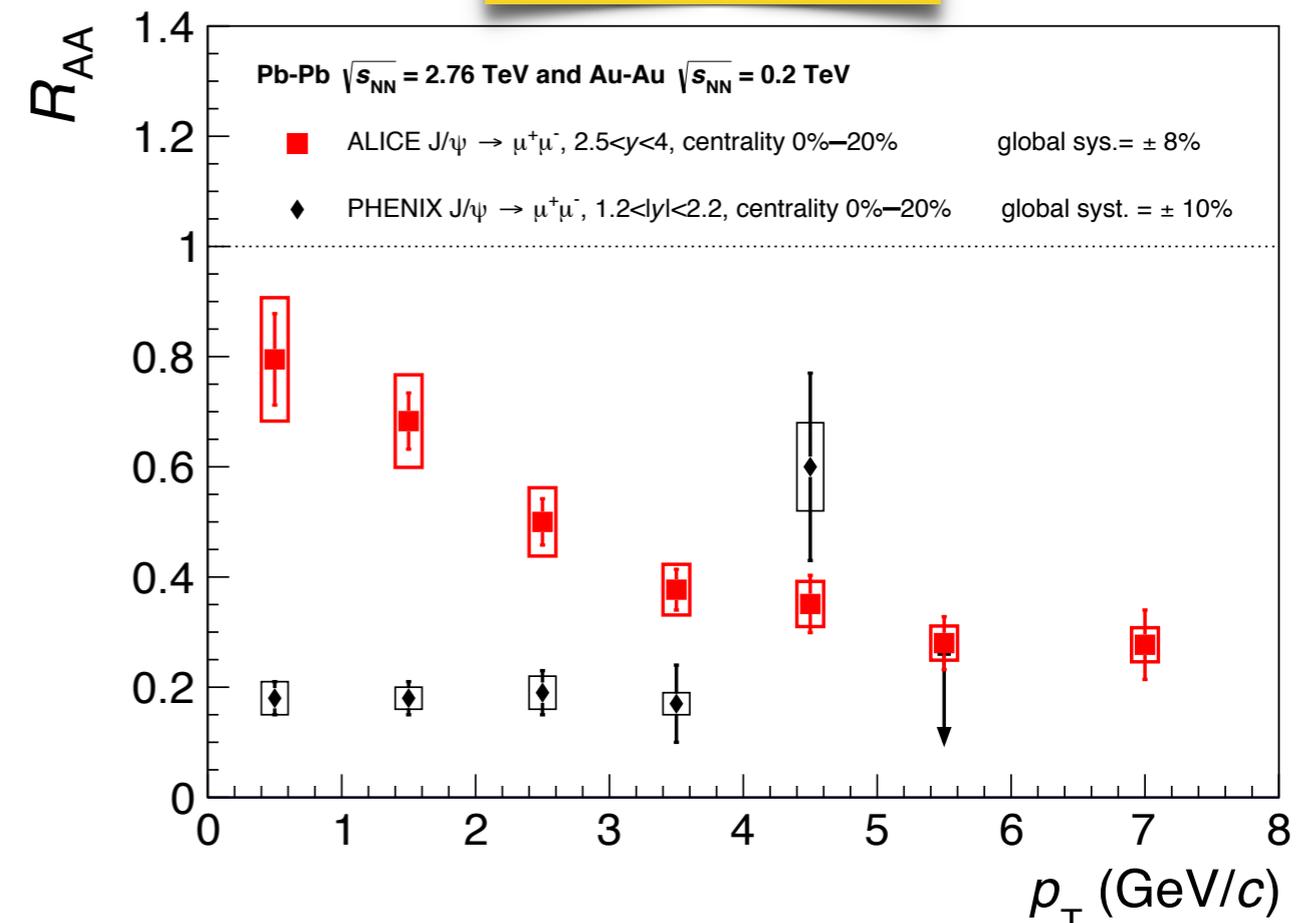
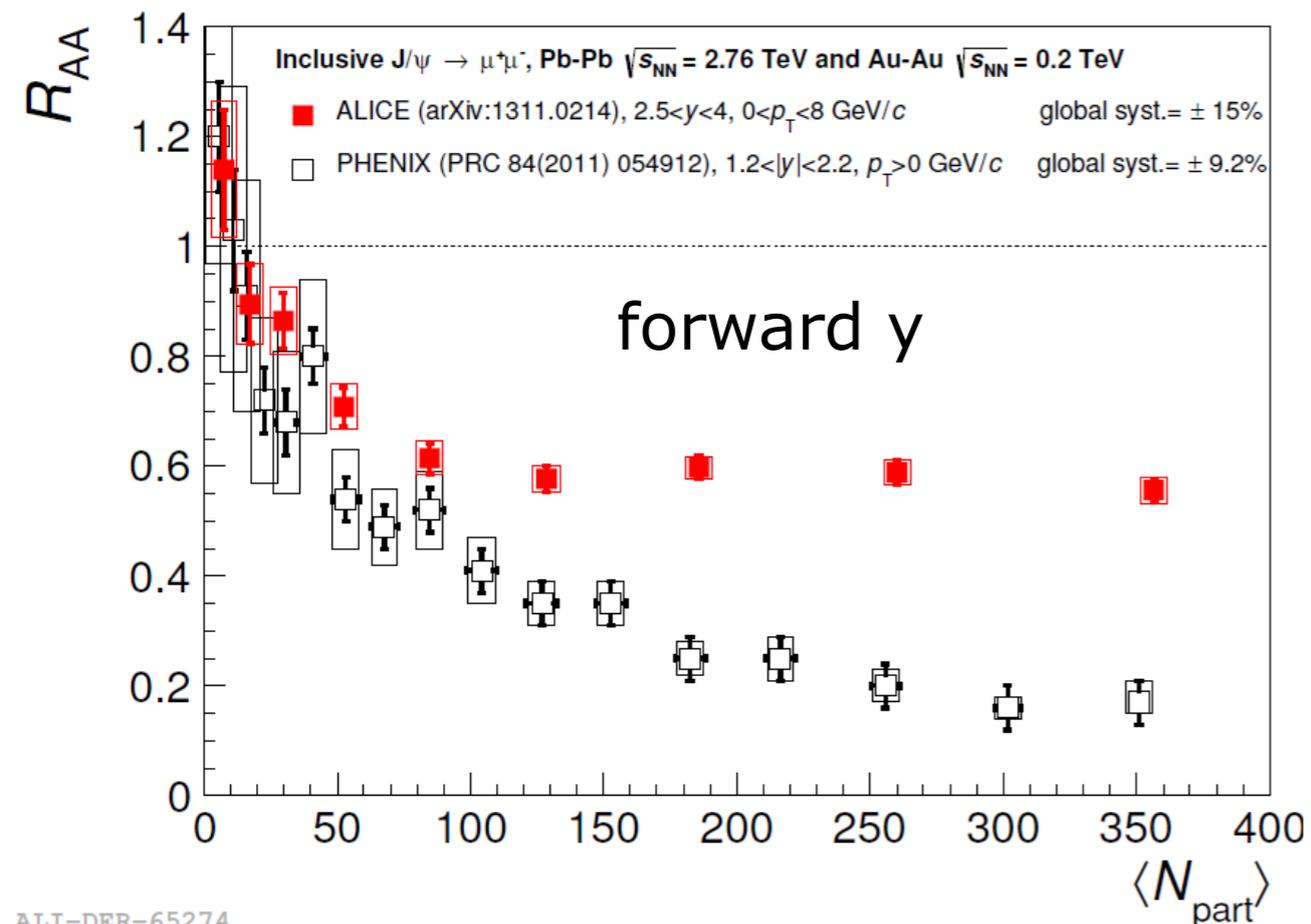
ALICE results differs!
see next slides

✓ Similar results from PHENIX at forward rapidity

ALICE vs PHENIX: from $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 0.2$ to 2.76 TeV



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☑ Systematically larger R_{AA} in central events at LHC.

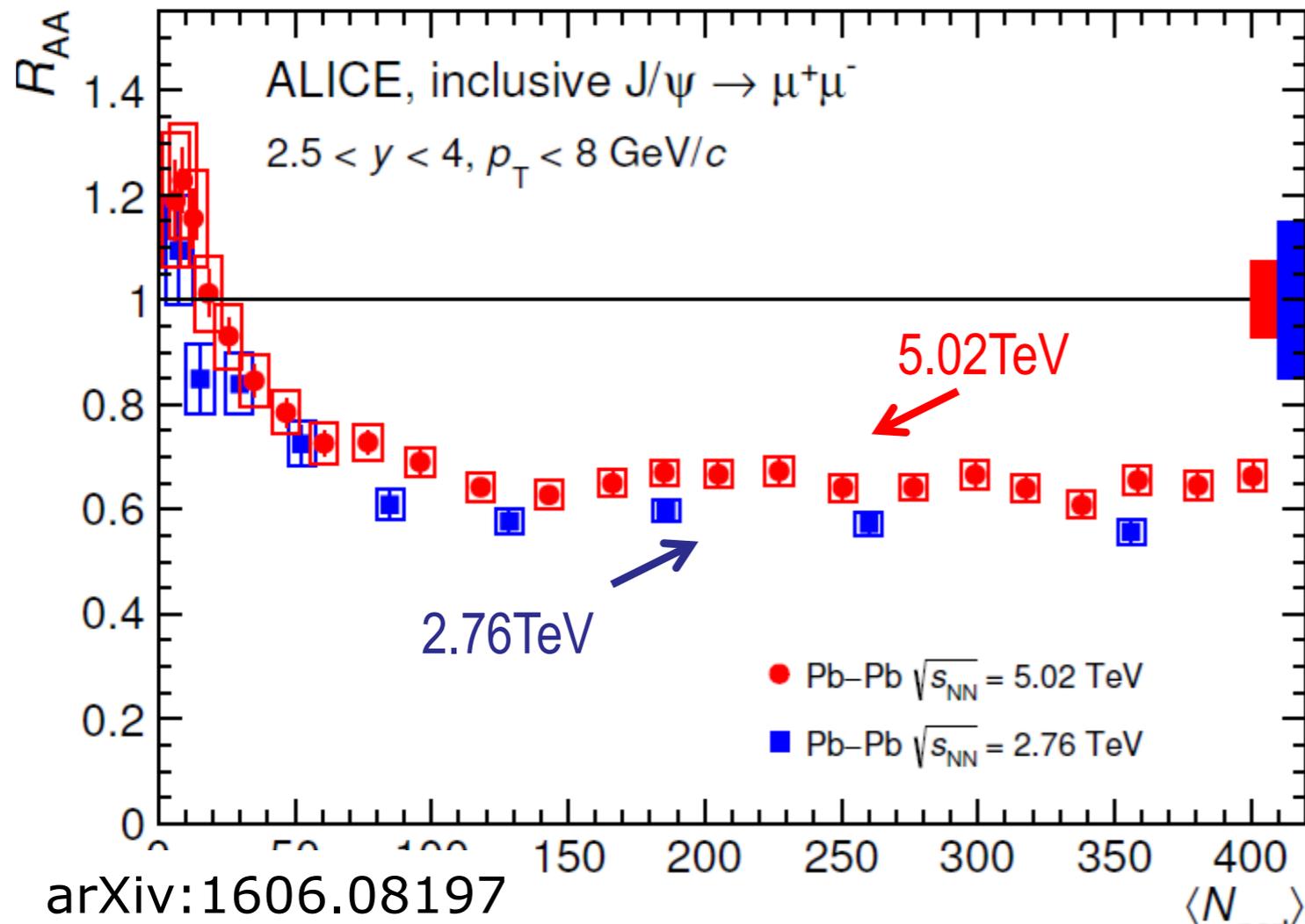
☑ At LHC R_{AA} increases at low- p_T .

RHIC → Suppression effects dominate
LHC → Suppression + regeneration

Results at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV



ALICE



- ✓ Run II statistic much larger -
> reduced statistical error and
finer p_T binning
- ✓ Similar centrality dependence
with plateau in the
suppression for $N_{part} > 100$
- ✓ R_{AA} at 5.02 TeV looks about
15% higher than at 2.76 TeV
(even if within the large
uncertainties)

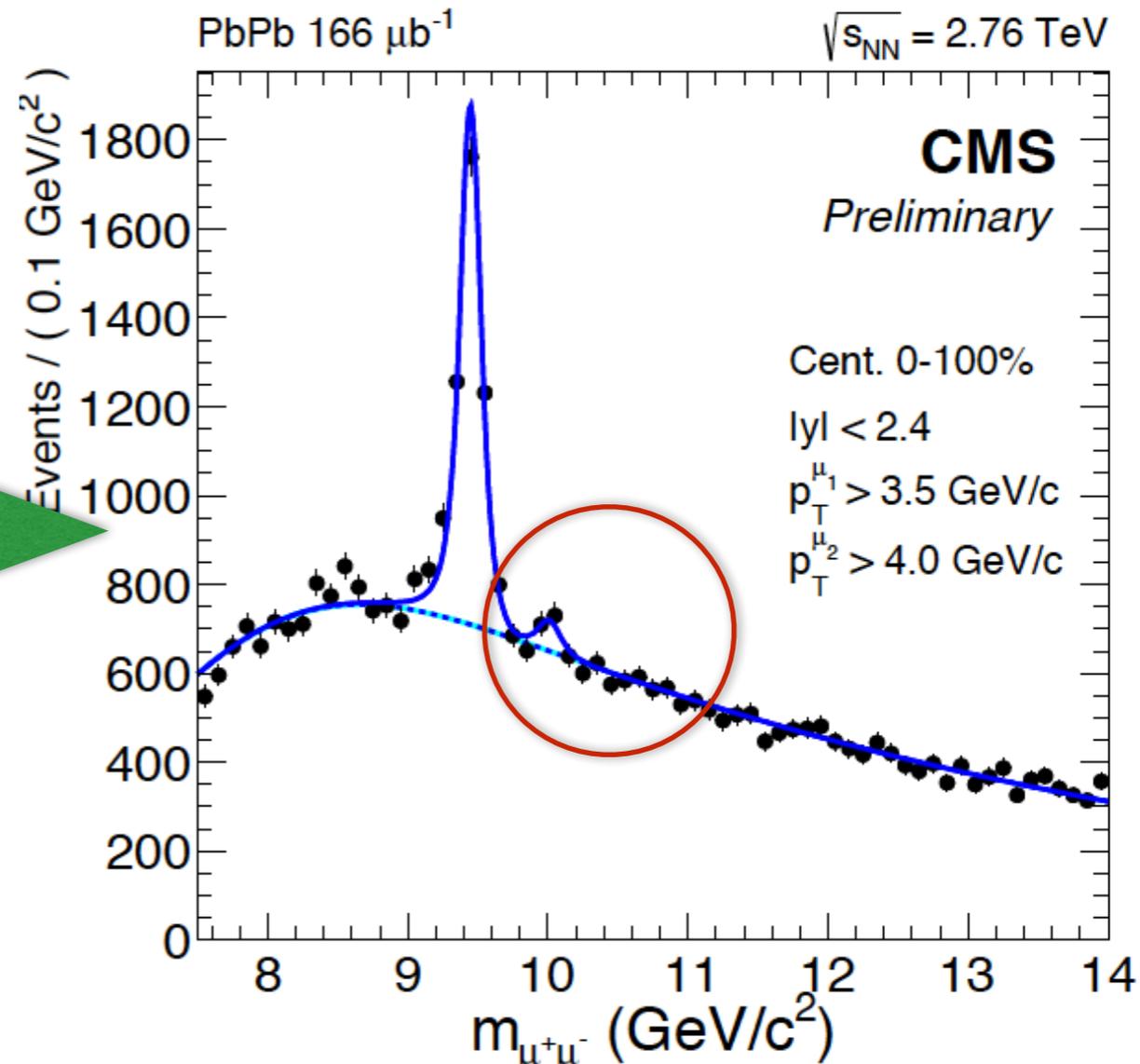
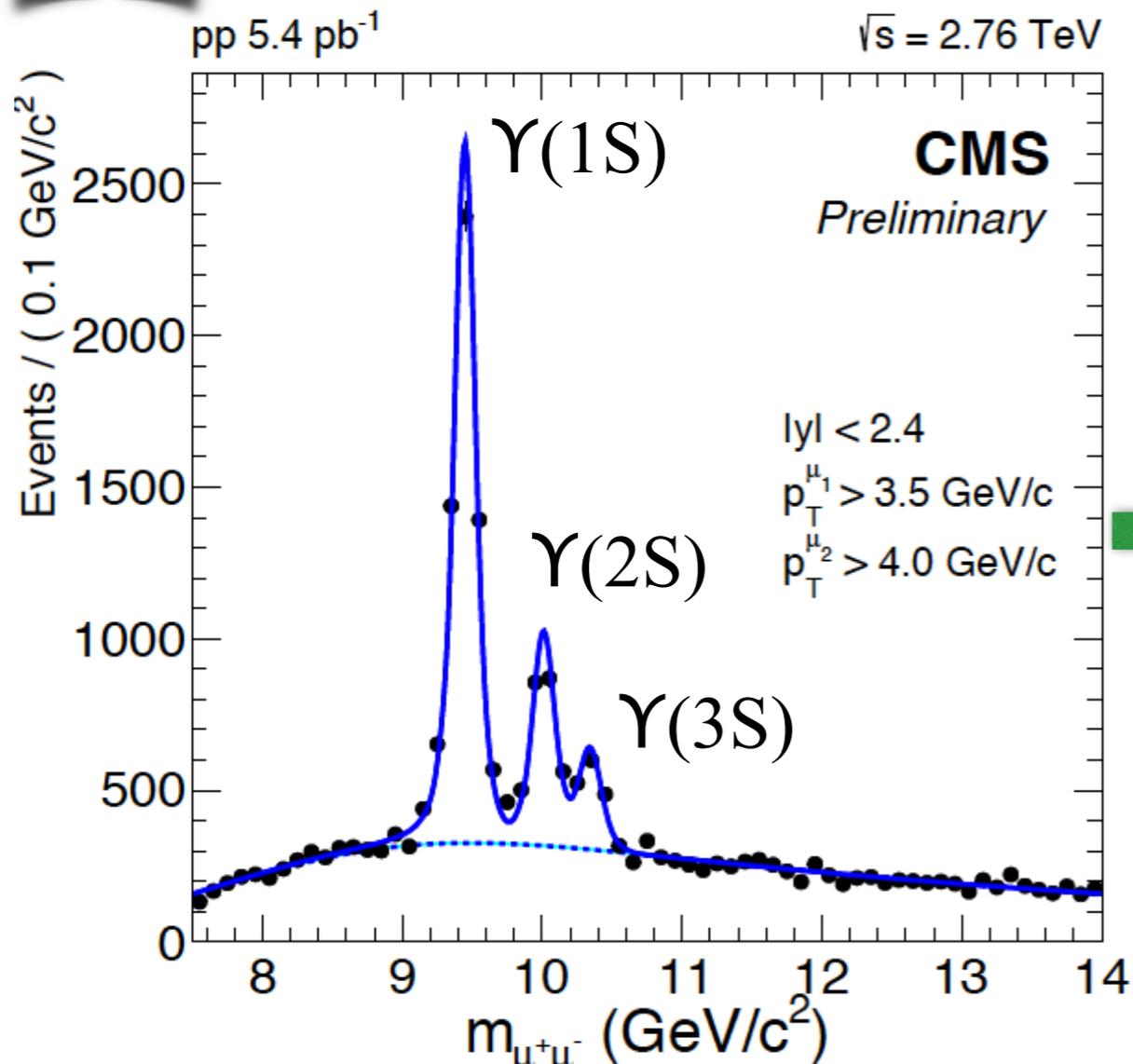
and bottomium: Υ



CMS

pp collisions

Pb-Pb collisions

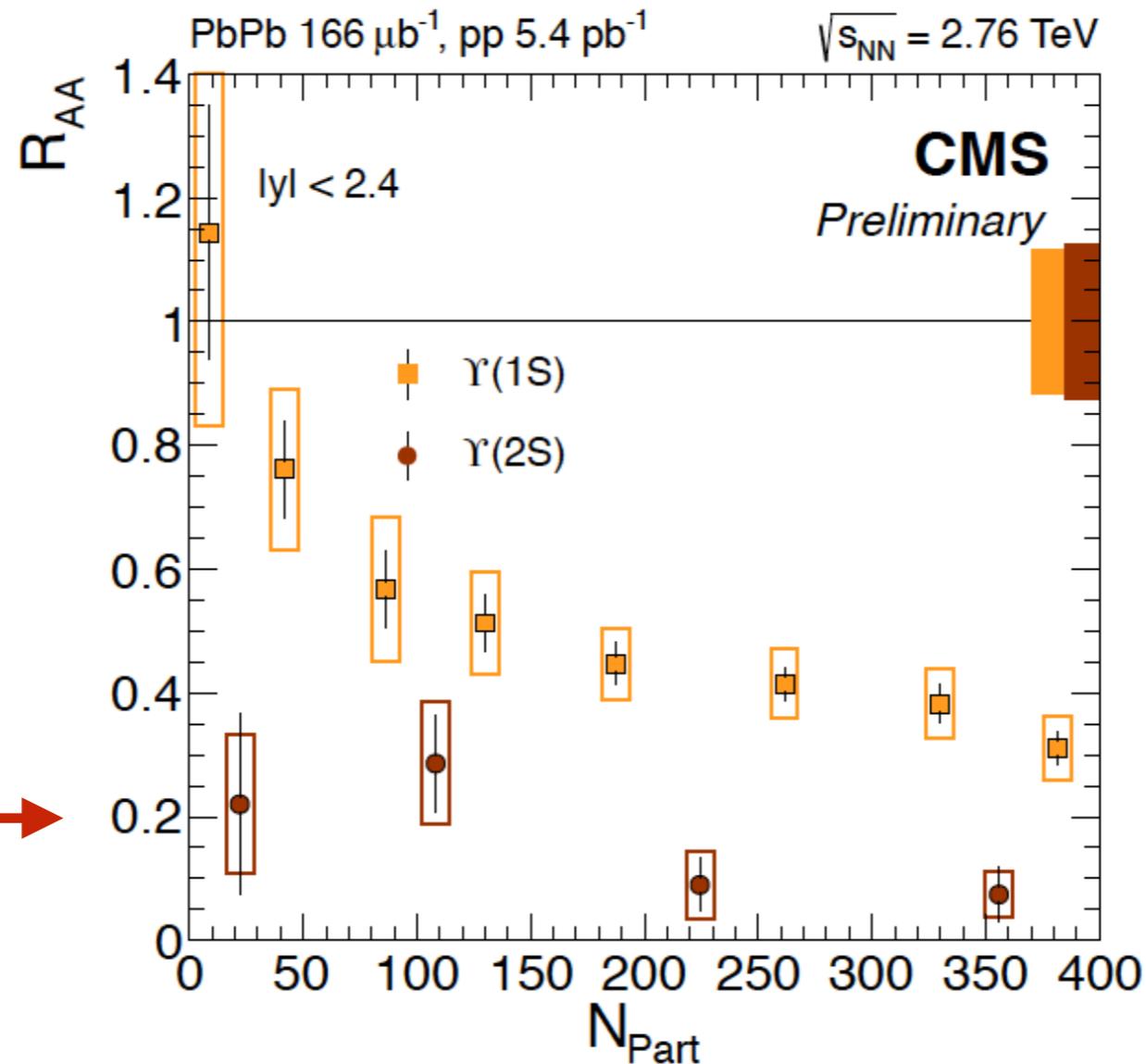


- ✓ Low beauty cross-section \rightarrow weak regeneration effects
- ✓ Strong relative suppression of more loosely bound states ($\Upsilon(3S)$ not visible at all in Pb-Pb)

and bottomium: Υ



CMS



PRL109 (2012) 222301

PAS-HIN-15-001

✓ Strong $\Upsilon(1\text{S})$ suppression. Similar at RHIC and LHC

STAR, PLB735 (2014) 127

✓ Binding energy of $\Upsilon(2\text{S})$ similar as the one of J/Ψ but R_{AA} much lower (much more suppressed) → **Regeneration negligible?**



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☑ Study cold-nuclear matter effects, reference.

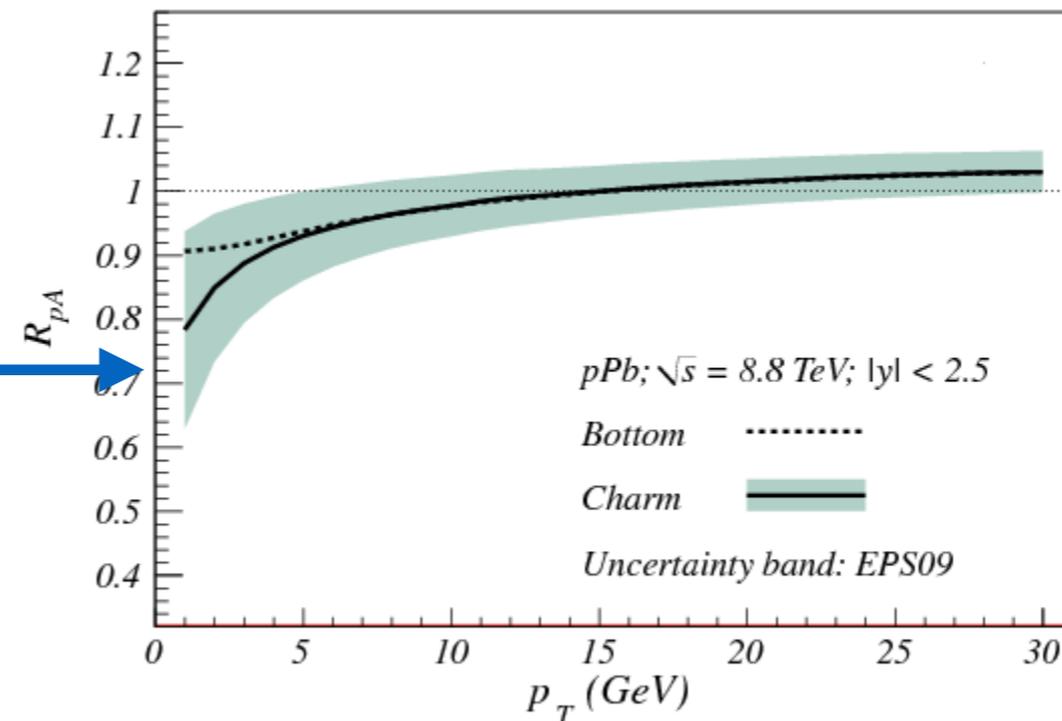
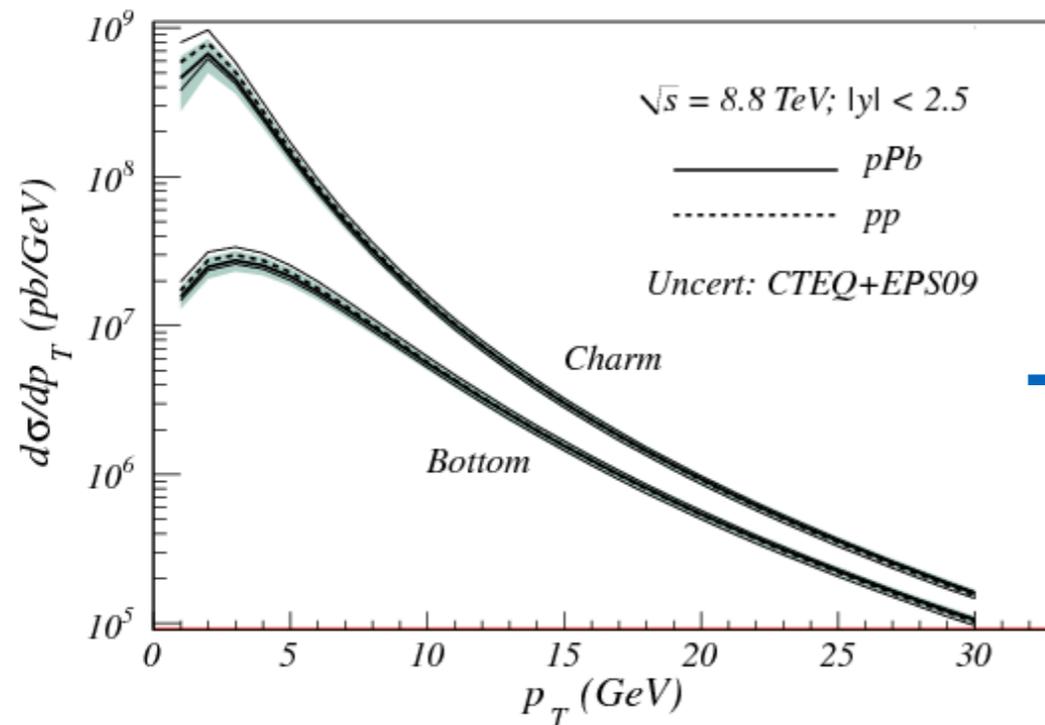
📌 Initial state effects can mimic final state effects (K_T broadening) X.N.Wang, PRC 61(2000)064910

📌 Energy loss in cold nuclear matter. I.Vitev et al., PRC 75(2007)064906

📌 Modification of the PDF in the nucleus: **nuclear shadowing**

K.J.Eskola et al., JHEP 0904(2009)65;

☑ Nuclear PDF (nPDF) poorly known at LHC kinematic region



J.Phys. G39 (2012) 015010

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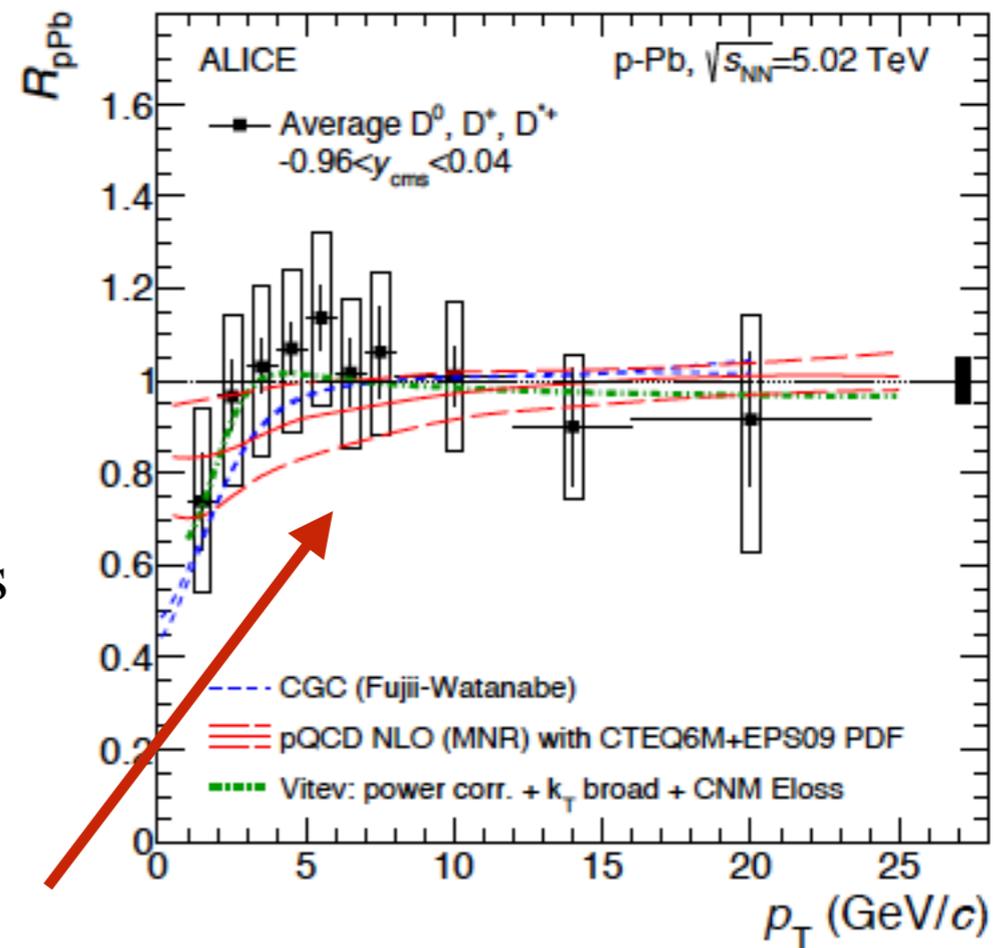
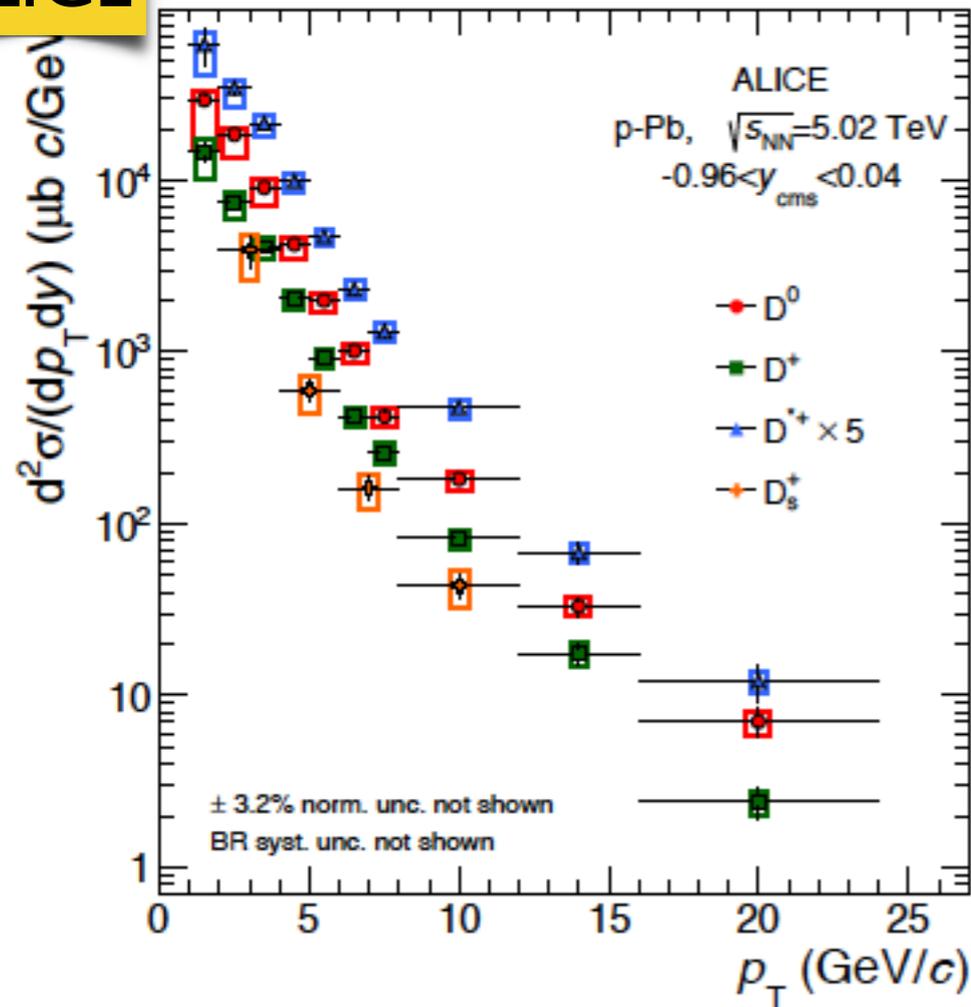
Production of D mesons in p-Pb collisions



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Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 232301 (2014)

- Production cross-sections of prompt D^0 , D^{*+} , D^+ and D_s^+ measured in the rapidity interval $-0.96 < y_{\text{cms}} < 0.04$



- Nuclear modification factor in p-Pb collisions is compatible with unity and with theoretical calculations including gluon saturation

- Initial state effects play a small role for $p_T > 2$ GeV/c

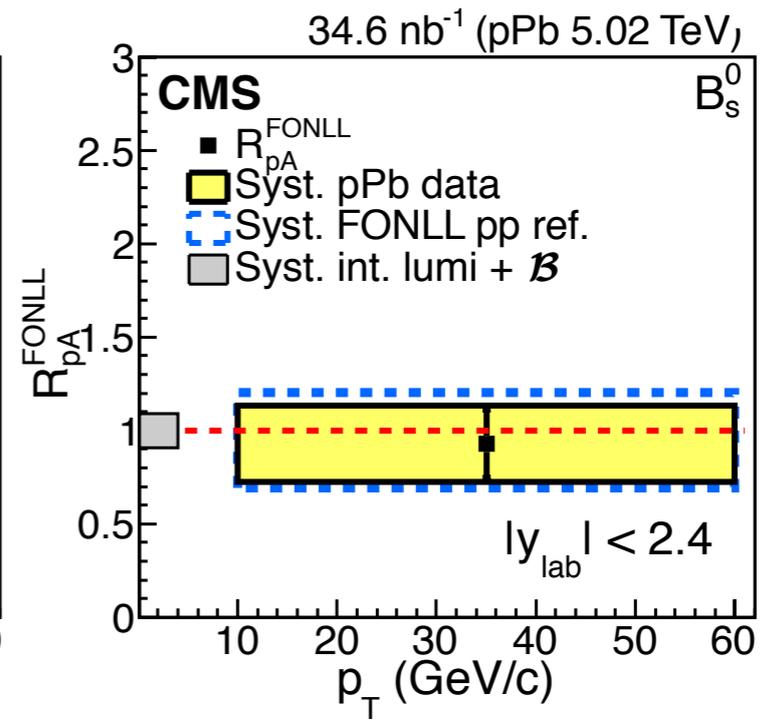
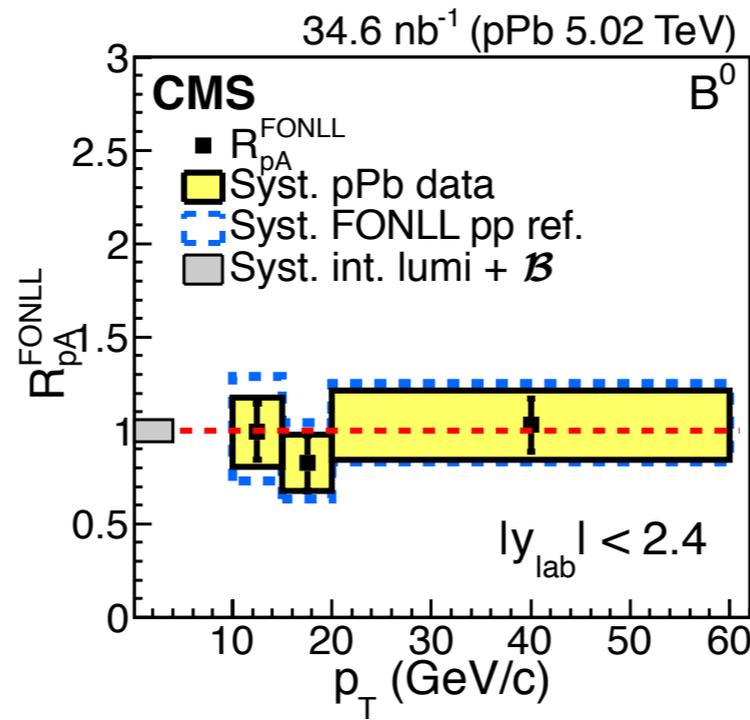
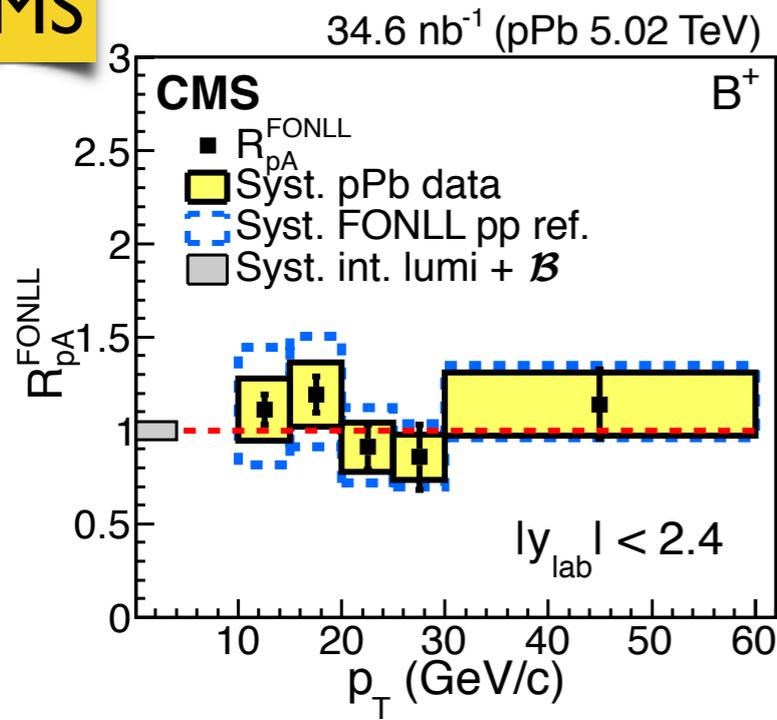
(H.Fujii,K.Watanabe arXiv: 1308.1258

M.Mangano et al., Nucl.Phys.B 373(1992)295; K.Eskola et al., JHEP 04467(2009)065

B meson R_{pPb}



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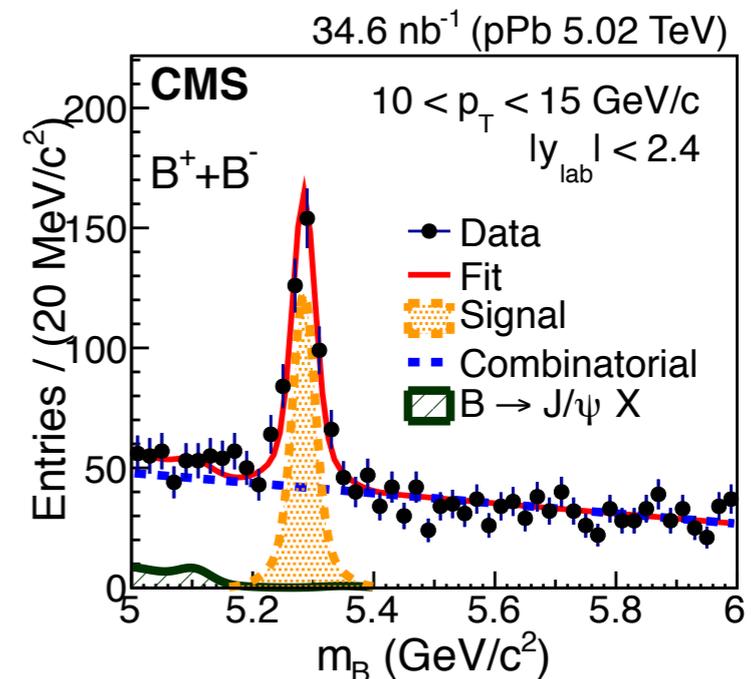


Phys. Rev. Lett. 116, 032301

☑ CMS performed the first measurement of the fully reconstructed B mesons (B^+ , B^0 and B_s) in p-Pb

☑ R_{pPb} consistent with 1, no evident initial state effects

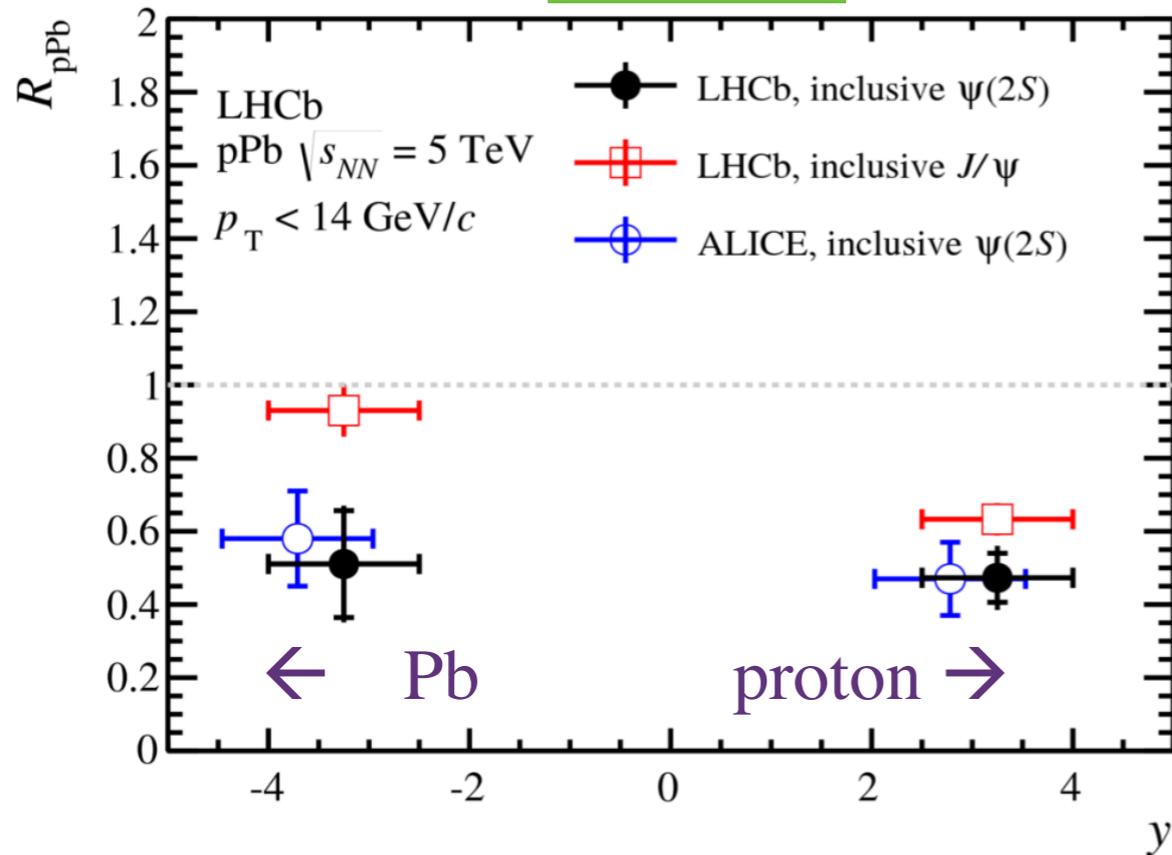
NOTE: $p_T > 10$ GeV/c!



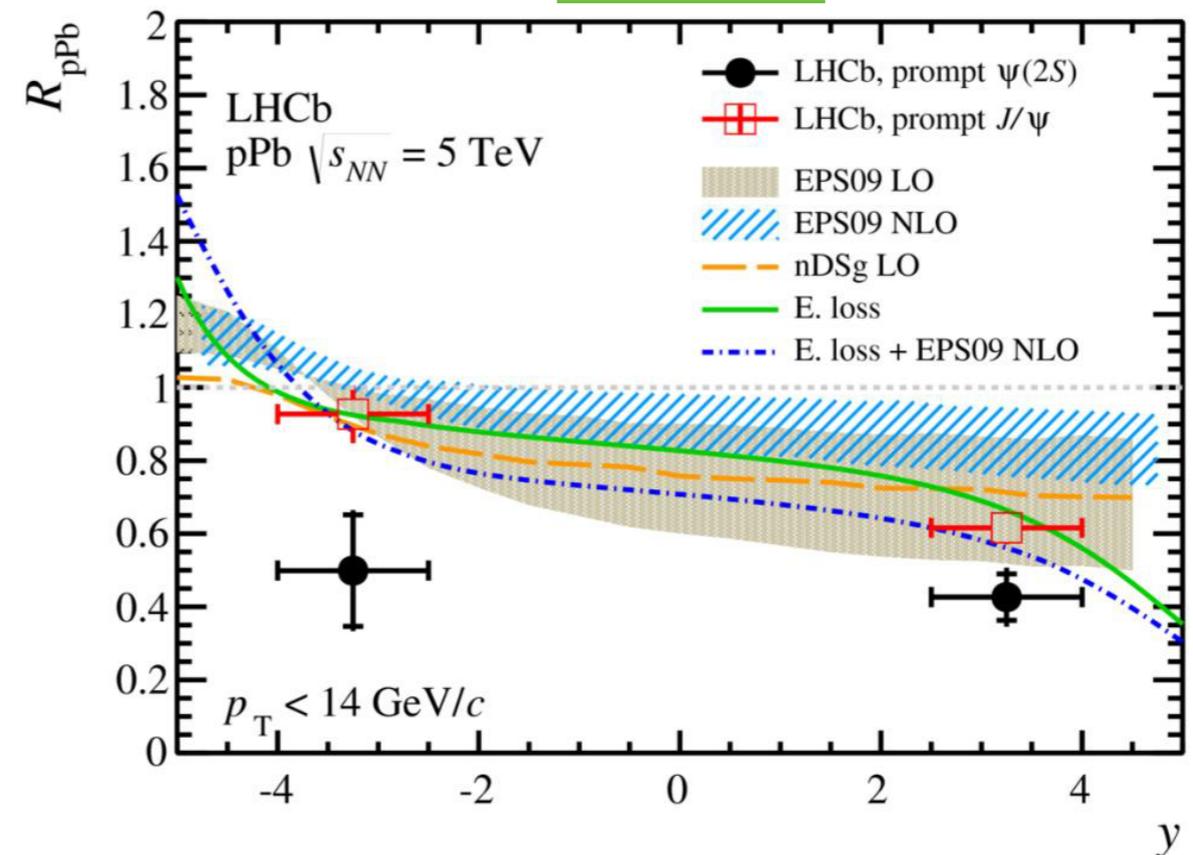
J/Ψ and Υ(2S)



Inclusive



Prompt

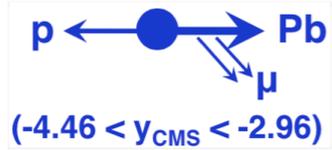


- J/Ψ R_{pPb} described reasonably well by CNM effects
- Υ(2S) production suppressed relative to J/ψ at both backward and forward rapidity
- ☑ Shadowing & energy loss expected to be the same for J/ψ and Υ(2S). Therefore, these mechanisms cannot describe the result.

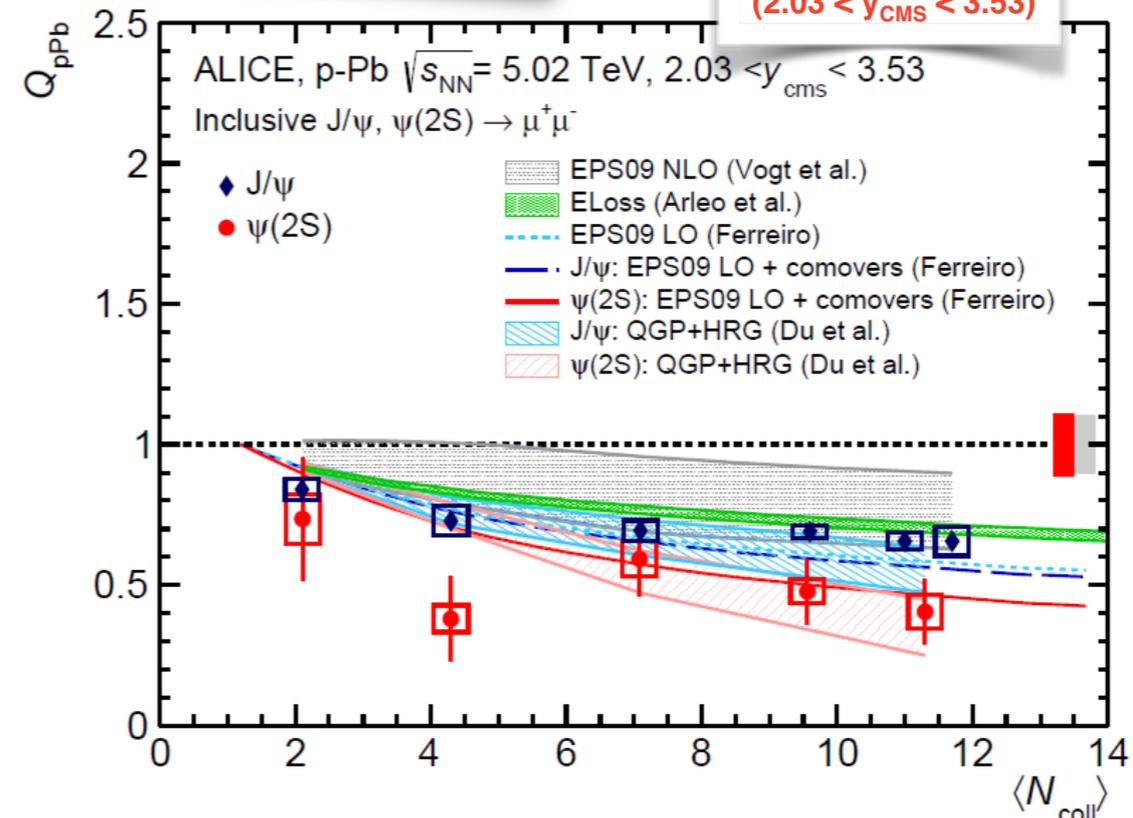
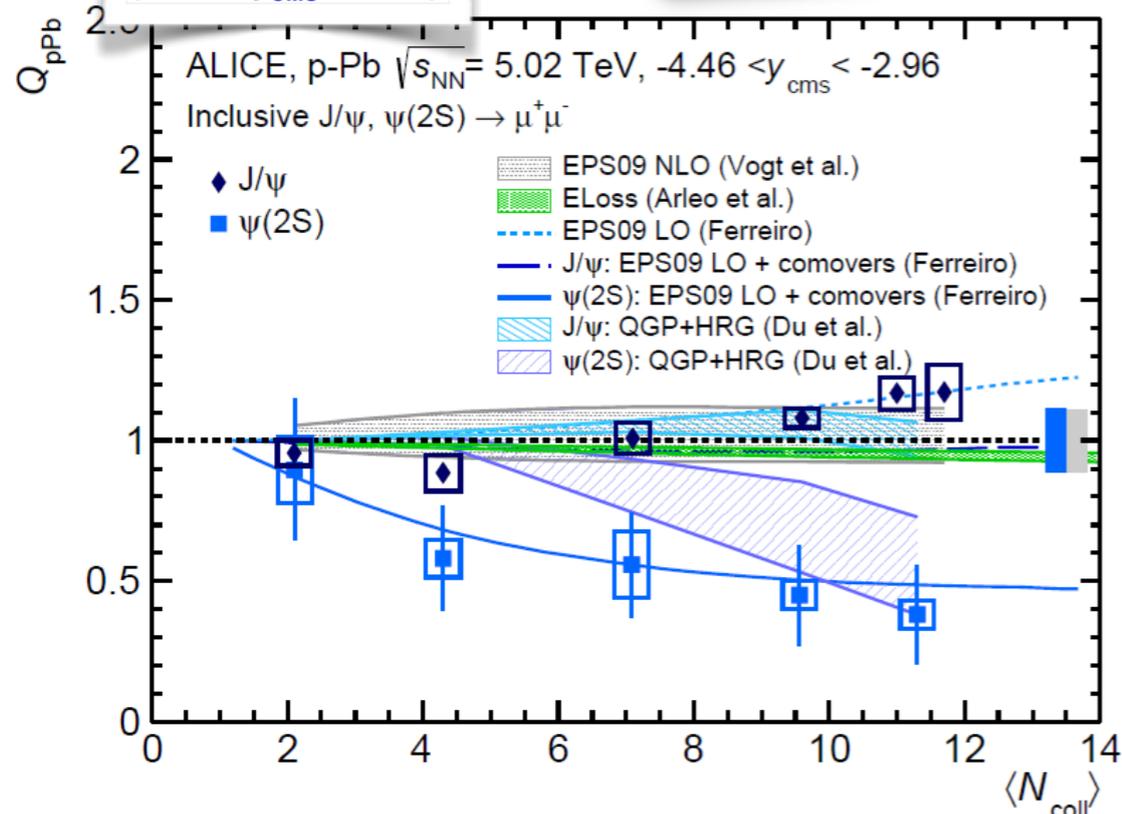
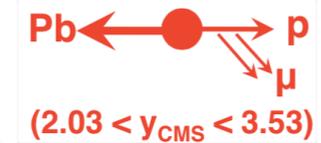
ALICE, JHEP 1402 (2014) 073 and JHEP 1412 (2014) 073

LHCb, JHEP 1402 (2014) 072 and JHEP 1603 (2016) 133

J/Ψ and Υ(2S): multiplicity dependence



ALICE, JHEP 1606 (2016) 050 and JHEP 1511 (2015) 127



Backward rapidity (Pb-going side)

Forward rapidity (p-going side)

- 📌 **J/Ψ**: Mult. dependent suppression in p-going direction, no suppression in Pb-going direction → indication of shadowing (?)
- 📌 **Υ(2S)**: Multiplicity dependent suppression in both directions
 - ☑ Not described by (anti)shadowing and energy loss only
 - ☑ Needs additional effect (final state?)



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- ☑ Heavy Flavours are qualitatively and quantitatively excellent probes for the hot and dense medium produced in A-A collisions
- ☑ Heavy Flavour saga in relativistic heavy ion collisions started (more than) 10 years ago with the first measurements.
- ☑ **In pp collision system:** several measurements available (i.e D and B mesons, HF-decay electrons and HF-decay muons). Results tend to confirm pQCD calculations. However, charm measurements sit on the upper side of the theory error band.
- ☑ **In A-A collision system:** Results tend to confirm charm loose energy in the hot and dense medium (remember p-Pb!). Is dead cone effect as we expected? Evidence that charm takes part to the collective motion. Quarkonium results from LHC hints a consistent regeneration while it looks not being the case of RHIC

**Thanks
for your attention**

Backup

2016

HOT QUARKS

SEPTEMBER 12-17 SOUTH PADRE ISLAND TX, USA

A WORKSHOP FOR YOUNG SCIENTISTS ON THE PHYSICS OF ULTRARELATIVISTIC NUCLEUS-NUCLEUS COLLISIONS

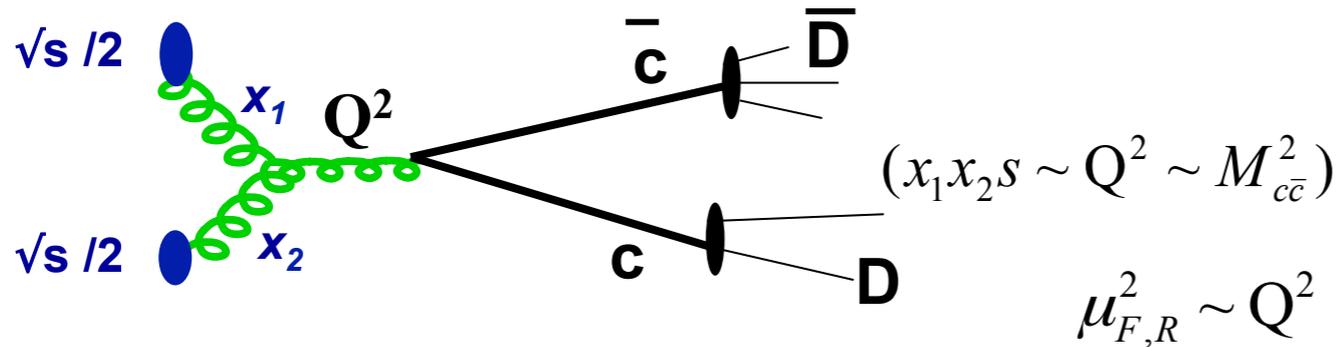
QCD at high temperature/density and lattice QCD	Baryons and strangeness
Initial state effects and Color Glass Condensate	Heavy flavor, dileptons and photons
Relativistic hydrodynamic and collective phenomena	Applications of String Theory and AdS/CFT
Correlations and fluctuations	Experimental techniques and future programs
Jets in the vacuum and in the medium	

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Jana Bielcikova (NPI of the CAS, Czech Republic)
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Open HF production in pp



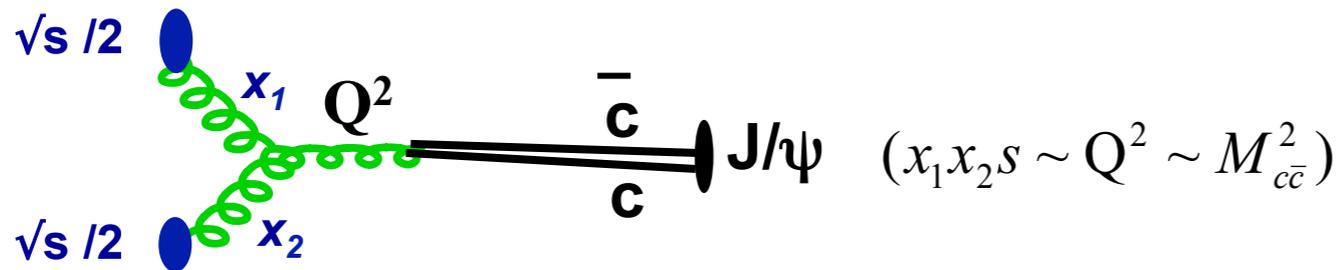
Q² evolution from pQCD,
initial cond. from HERA

non-perturbative
phenomenology.
e⁺e⁻ data from HERA

$$\frac{d\sigma^D}{dp_T^D}(\mu_F, \mu_R) = PDFs(x_1, x_2, \mu_F^2) \otimes \frac{d\hat{\sigma}^c}{dp_T^c}(\alpha_S(\mu_R^2)) \otimes \underline{D}_{c \rightarrow D}(\mu_F^2, \frac{p_D}{p_c})$$

perturbative series of strong coupling α_s

Quarkonia production in pp



$$\frac{d\sigma^\psi}{dp_T^\psi}(\mu_F, \mu_R) = PDF(x_1)PDF(x_2) \otimes \frac{d\hat{\sigma}^{c\bar{c}}}{dp_T^{c\bar{c}}} \otimes P(c\bar{c} \rightarrow \psi)$$

Long distance non perturbative term. Cannot be take from e^+e^- data

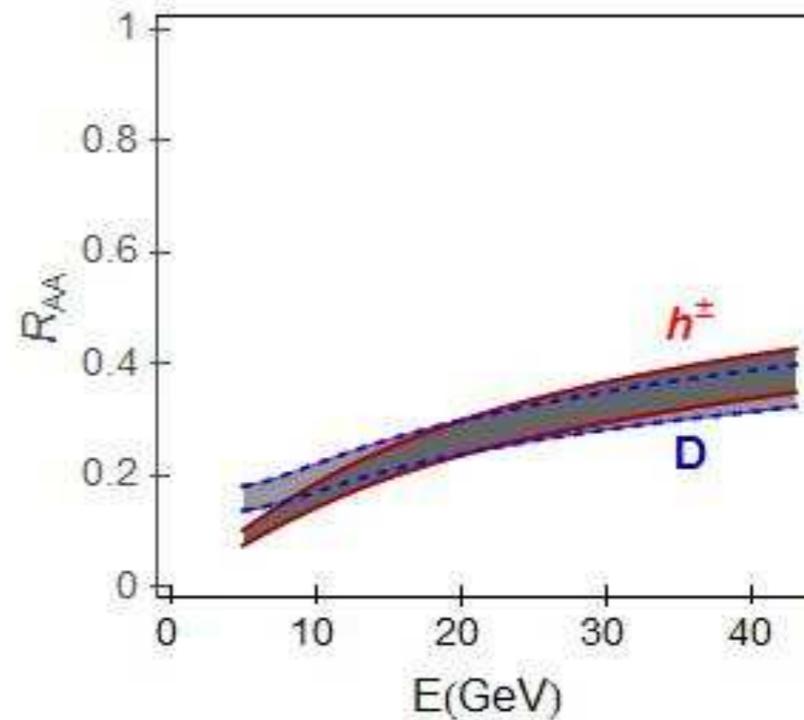
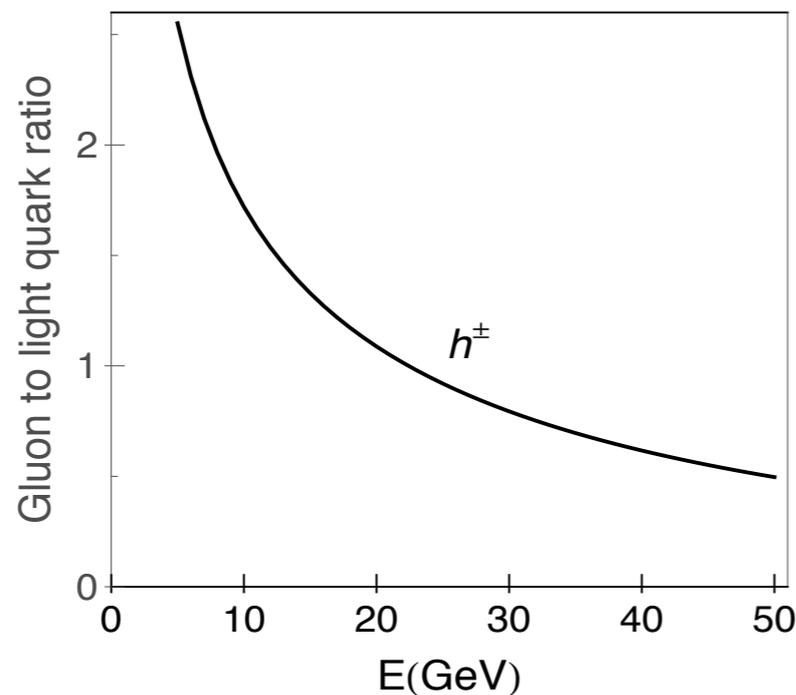
Colour Singlet Model (CSM): the color of the $Q\bar{Q}$ neutralizes in the hard process

Non-relativistic QCD (NRQCD): the color can neutralize also in the long distance part. Hard scattering \rightarrow singlet and octet

Connecting E_{loss} and R_{AA} : Color charge

☑ Comparing pions and D mesons R_{AA} :

- 📌 At LHC hadrons below ~ 15 GeV/c originate predominantly from gluons
 - ▶ The softer fragmentation of gluons tends to counterbalance the larger E_{loss}
- 📌 Predictions on the R_{AA} results in very small difference if any.



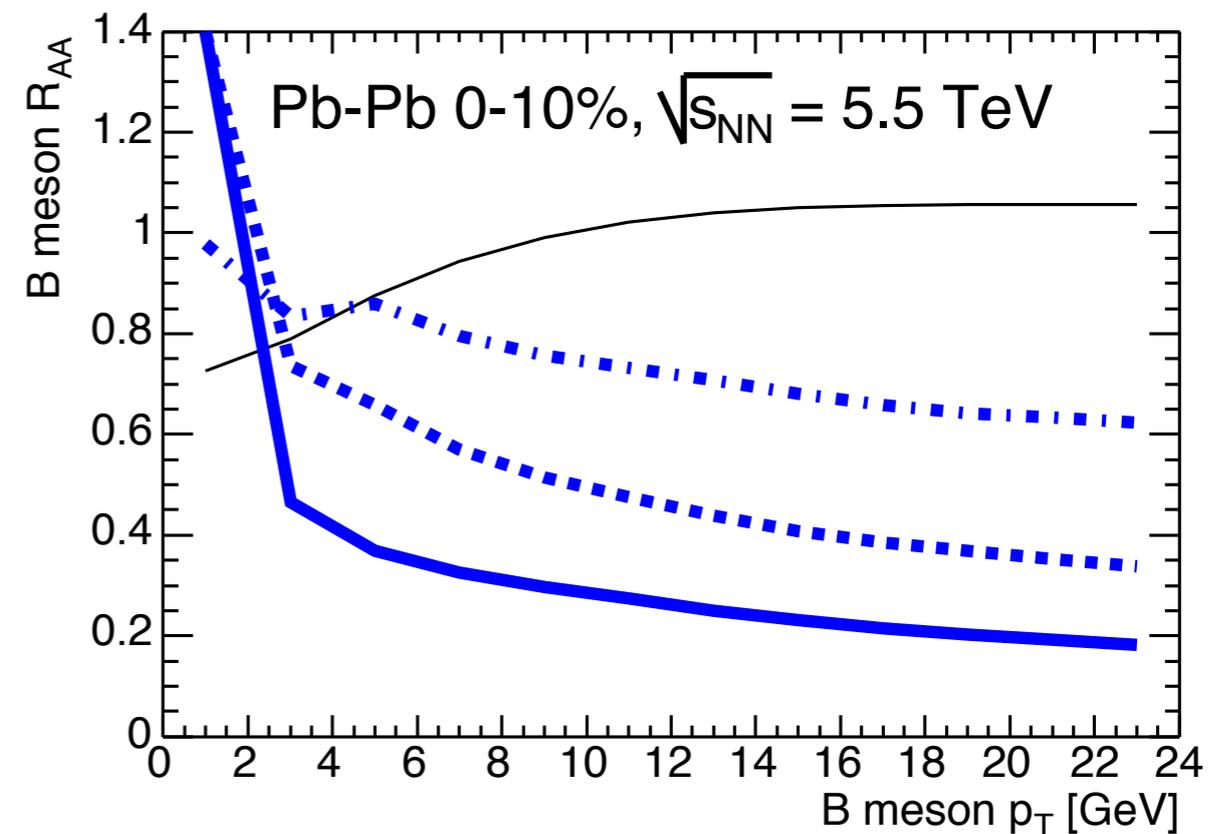
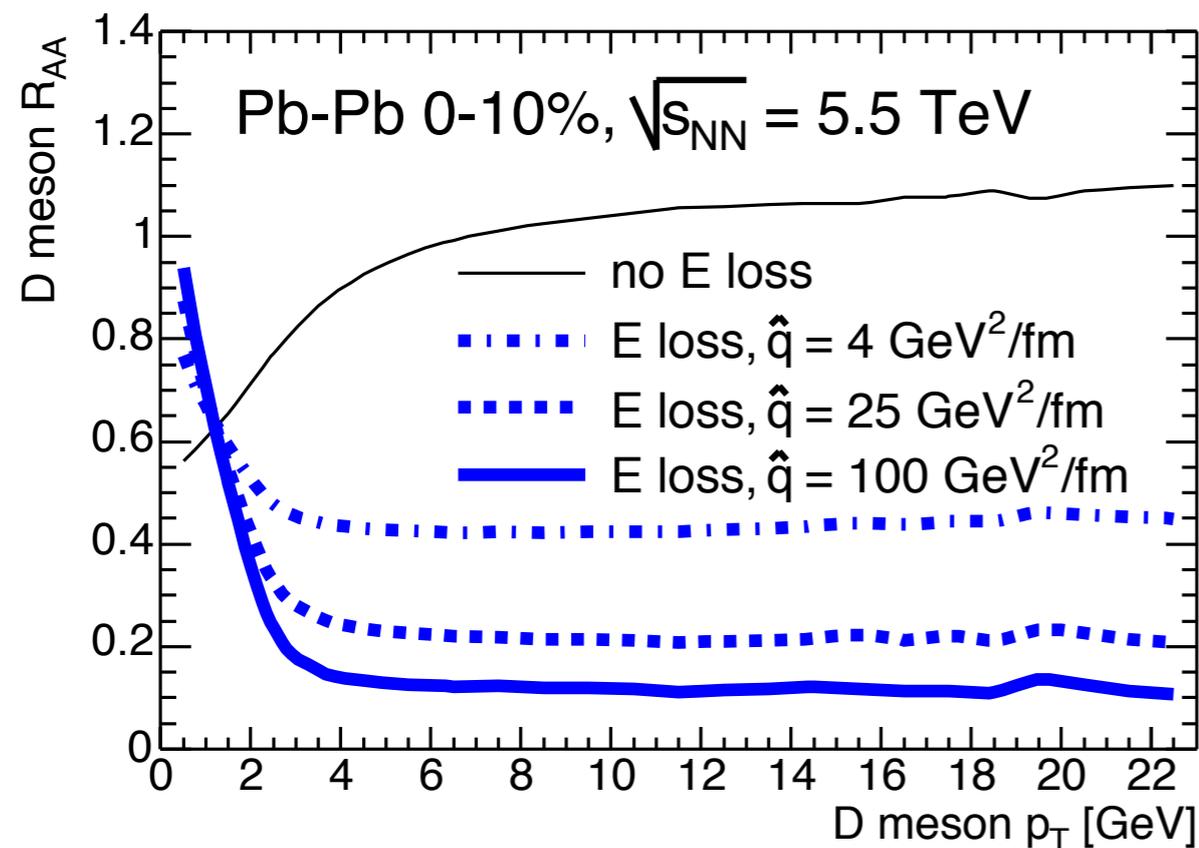
Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 042302 (2014)

Connecting E_{loss} and R_{AA} : Mass effect

☑ Comparing D and B mesons R_{AA} :

📌 Essentially all models predict a difference in the suppression

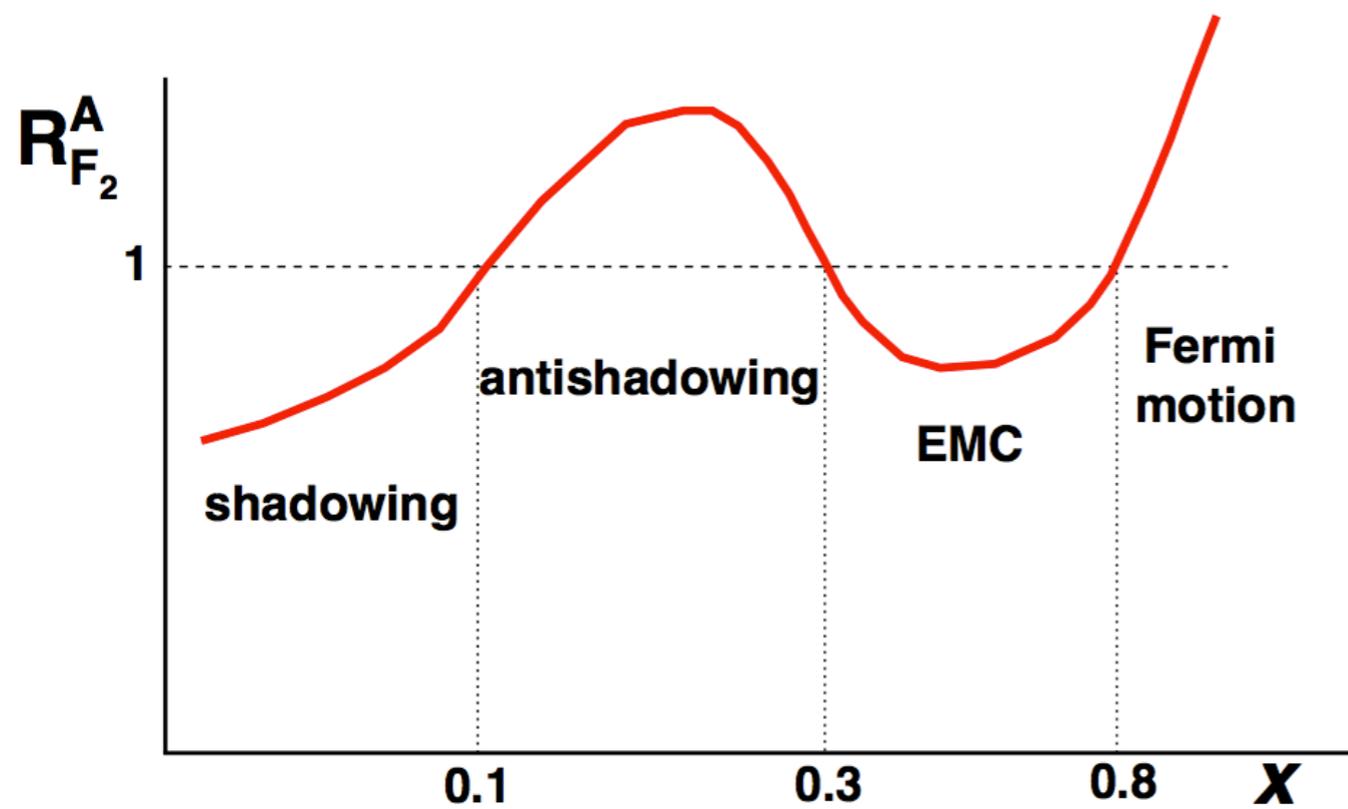
📌 Small effects from partonic p_T shape and fragmentation



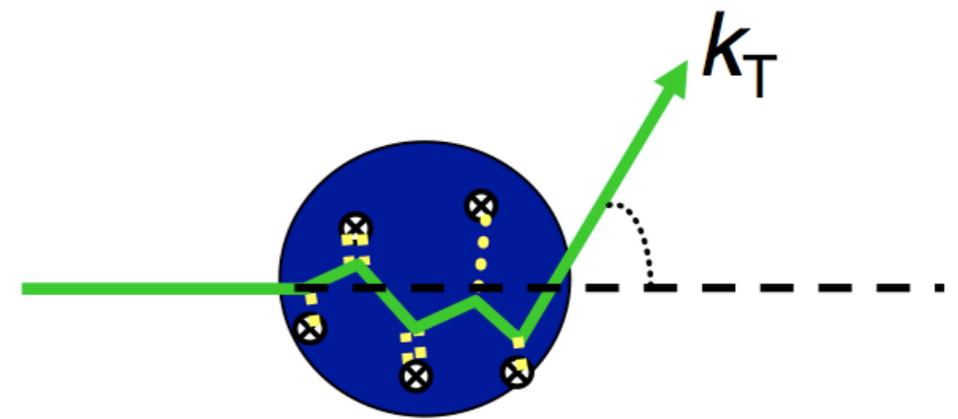
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Initial state effect

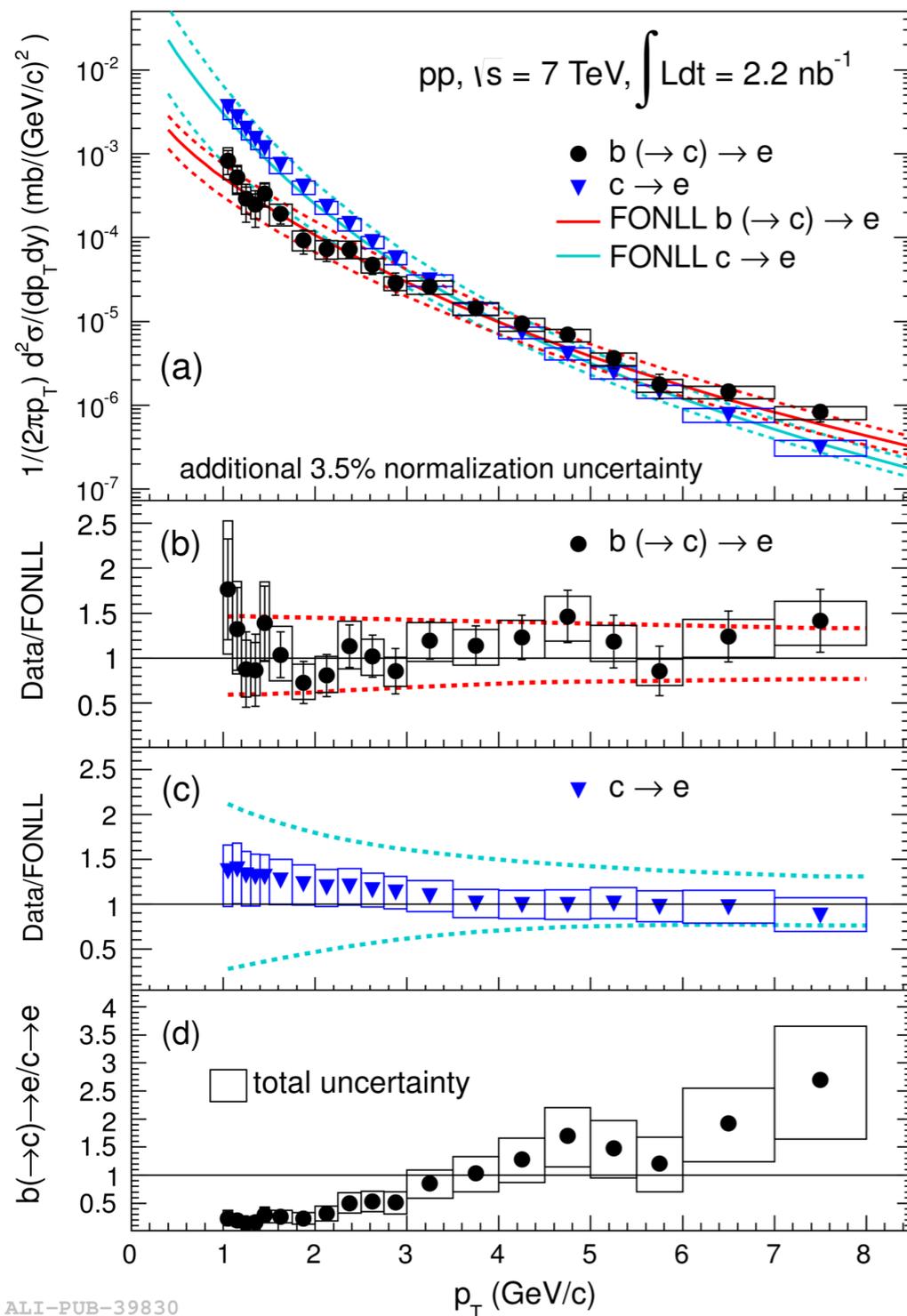
nPDF modification



KT broadening



pp @ 7 TeV

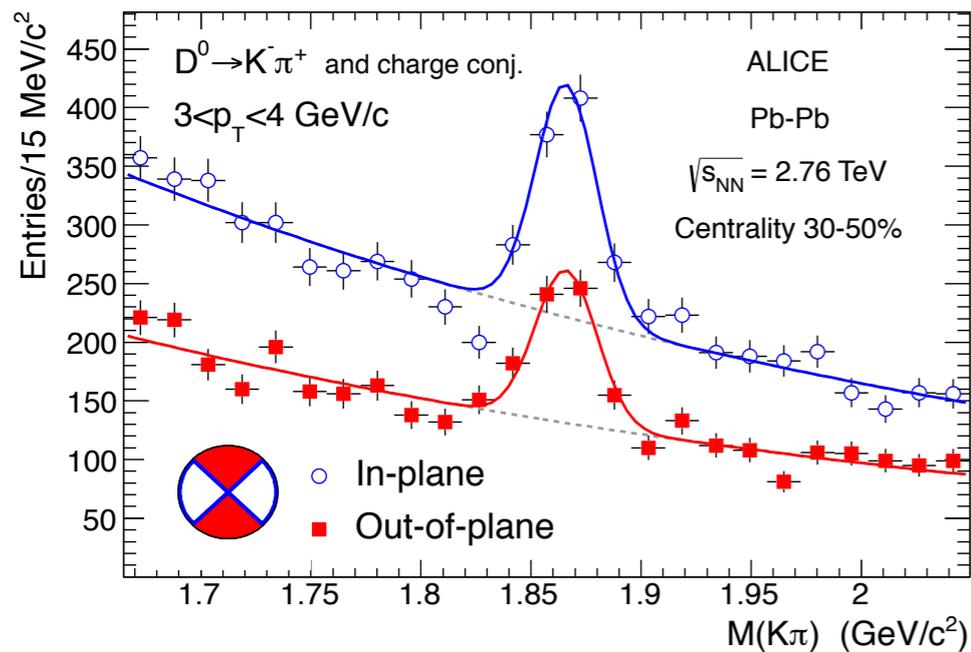


- ☑ Exploit the large displacement of B-decay electrons. Cut on impact parameter and or secondary vertex reconstruction.
- ☑ Good agreement with FONLL.
- ☑ At LHC beauty starts to dominate above $p_T = 5 \text{ GeV}/c$
- ☑ Similar measurements at RHIC (STAR and PHENIX)

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D mesons Elliptic flow: R_{AA} vs event plane

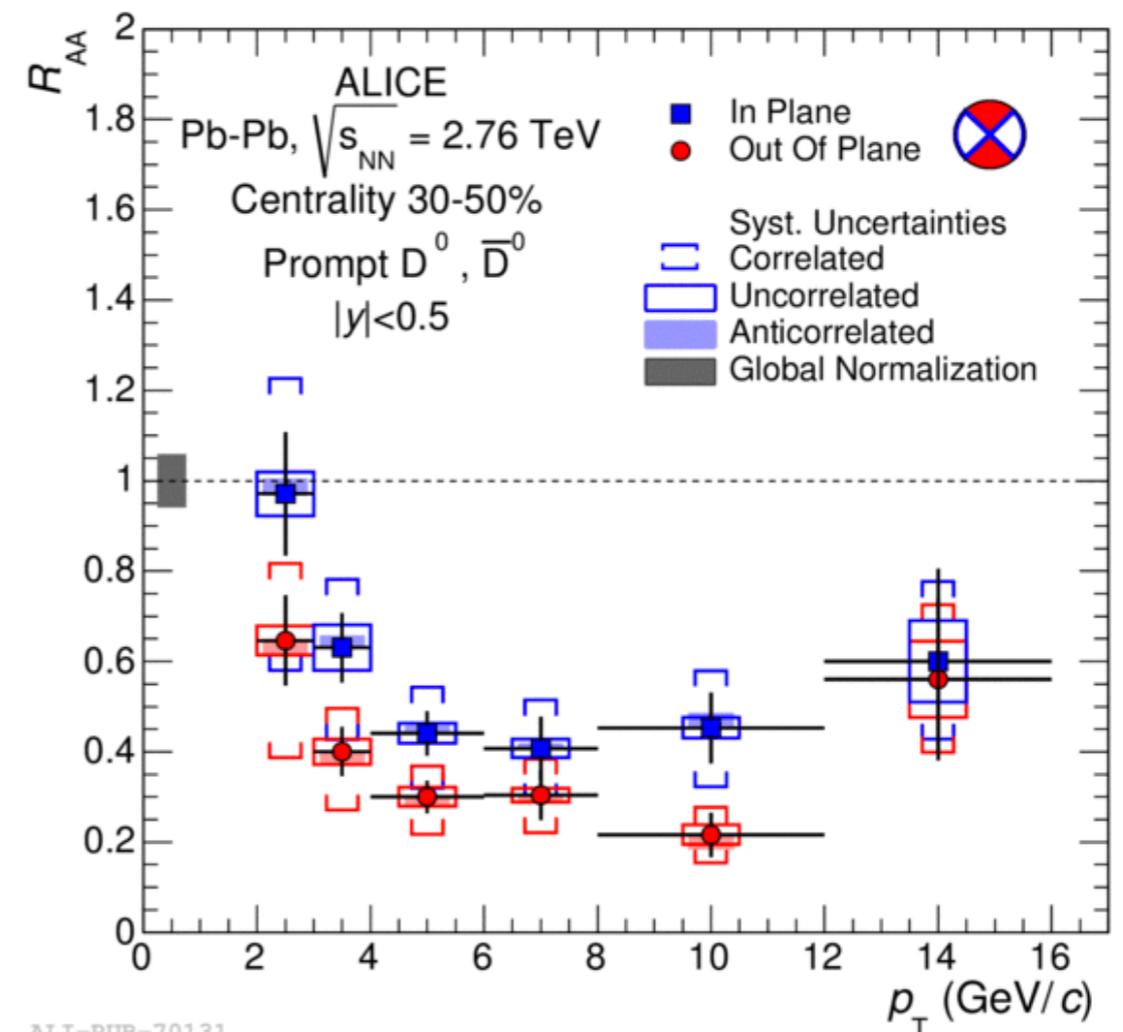
ALICE



☑ D mesons candidates are put in two classes based on their relative azimuthal coord. with respect the event plane (in plane, out of plane)

☑ A stronger suppression relative to proton-proton collisions is observed in the out-of-plane direction, where the average path length of heavy quarks through the medium is larger.

Phys.Rev. C90 (2014) 3, 034904



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