

LHCb Heavy-ion results

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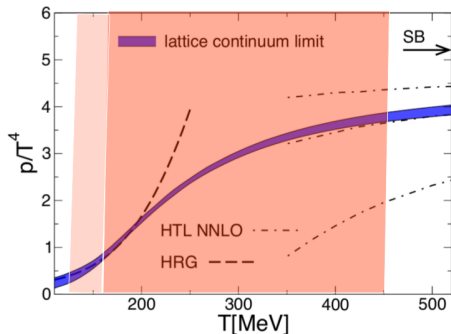


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- ▶ Introduction
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- ▶ p Pb results and plans
- ▶ Conclusions

QGP physics at the LHC



p/T^4 : pressure over temperature⁴

HRG: Hadron Resonance Gas

HTL: Hard thermal loop

SB: Stefan-Boltzmann limit of

non-interacting quarks and gluons

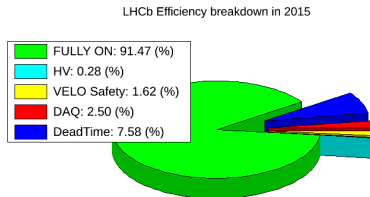
T-range probed at the LHC according to hydrodynamic models

Figure taken from [PLB 370 \(2014\)](#), T-range from [PRC 89, 044910 \(2014\)](#)

- ▶ measure equilibrium properties:
deconfinement, chiral restoration, thermodynamic&transport properties
- ▶ quantify QCD properties:
QCD radiation, hadronisation, phase transition characteristics
- ▶ understand non-equilibrium dynamics and relation to equilibrium

→ What can LHCb contribute in AA and pA collisions?

LHCb in PbPb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV

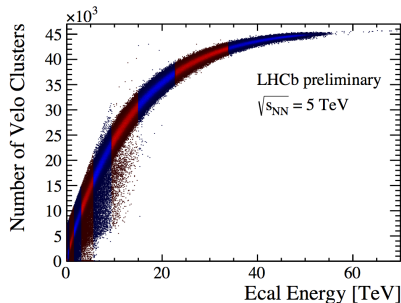
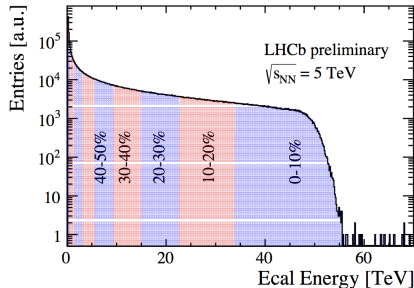


Experiment	2015 PbPb
ALICE central	150 mio MB evts. (0.02 nb^{-1})
ALICE muon	0.225 nb^{-1} analysed
CMS	0.464 nb^{-1} analysed
ATLAS	0.515 nb^{-1} analysed
LHCb	50 mio MB evts., 50-100% tracking

modified version in [arXiv:1609.01135](https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.01135), references therein.

- ▶ 2015 first data taking in most challenging environment for LHCb
- ▶ competitive data sample for soft probes and charm in terms of event statistics in unique acceptance
- ▶ very soft trigger requirement:
 - combined with LHCb PID capability: unique sample at the LHC!

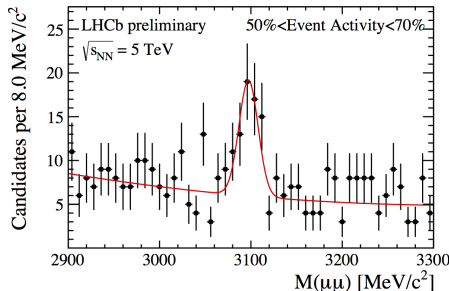
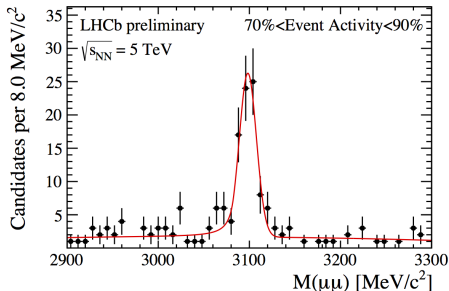
LHCb in PbPb collisions: centrality reach



PbPb performance figures: <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCb/LHCbPlots2015>

- ▶ designed for low pile-up pp collisions: running in pp at $\mu \approx 1$
- ▶ occupancy limitation in PbPb collisions:
current tracking algorithms up to 50% in centrality

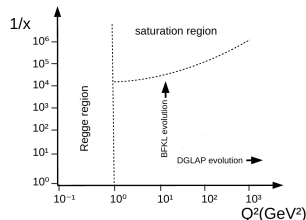
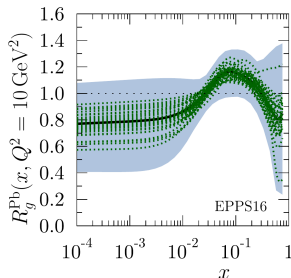
LHCb in PbPb collisions: J/ψ signal



PbPb performance figures: <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCb/LHCbPlots2015>.

- ▶ clear signal up to edge of occupancy limit thanks to similar resolutions as in pp collisions
- ▶ data-driven efficiency determinations challenging
- ▶ prompt J/ψ analysis as pilot analysis in Pb-Pb will be combined with other analysis for publication

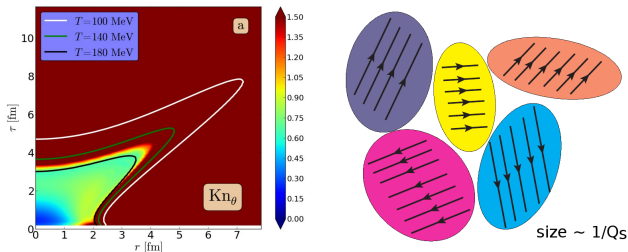
p -nucleus collisions: control & limits of collinear factorisation



RHS: taken from [arXiv:1612.05741](https://arxiv.org/abs/1612.05741), LHS: modified version of graphic in “QCD and collider physics”, Ellis, Stirling, Webber

- ▶ **no HERA equivalent for lepton-nuclei:** parton flux **unconstrained** for LHC heavy-ion low- p_T heavy-quark production
total charm, beauty production in p -nucleus vital input for AA
- ▶ **saturation** scale $Q_s^2 \propto A_{nucleus}^{1/3} \rightarrow$ linear parton evolution break-down?
- ▶ Which framework if collinear factorisation no longer valid? color glass condensate [arXiv:1002.0333](https://arxiv.org/abs/1002.0333)?
- ▶ Are there further effects like energy loss by enhanced small-angle gluon radiation [arXiv:1212.0434](https://arxiv.org/abs/1212.0434) ?

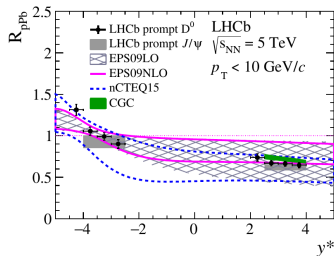
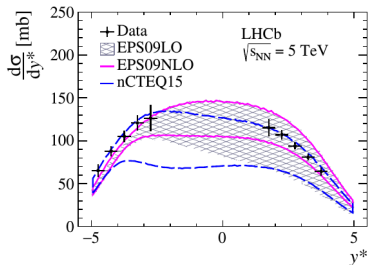
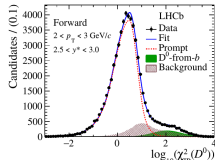
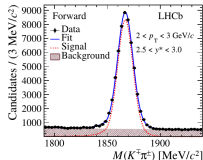
p -nucleus/ pp high multiplicity events: interesting questions



Left: taken from [arXiv:1404.7327](https://arxiv.org/abs/1404.7327) $Kn = L_{micro}/L_{macro}$, already $dN/d\eta = 270$! Right: taken from [arXiv:1611.00329](https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.00329).

- ▶ correlations & bulk production@low- p_T & large multiplicity: 'same' patterns as in PbPb, where sign for locally thermalised system
- ▶ hydro in large multiplicity pPb: set-up as in PbPb describing data despite precondition doubts [arXiv:1705.03177](https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.03177)
- ▶ colour class condensate & color reconnections explanations not ruled out [arXiv:1607.02496](https://arxiv.org/abs/1607.02496), [arXiv:1705.00745](https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.00745)
- ▶ recently explanation via interference of multi-parton scatterings [arXiv:1708.08241](https://arxiv.org/abs/1708.08241)

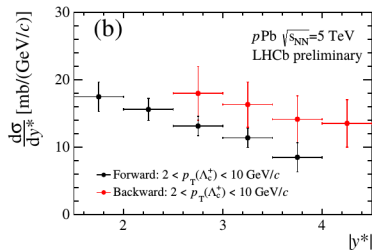
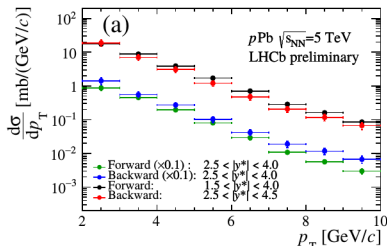
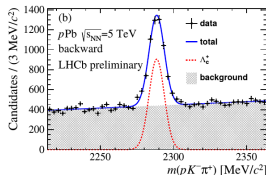
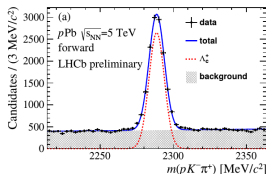
D^0 in pPb:
 $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5 \text{ TeV}$



[arXiv:1707.02750](https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.02750), accepted by JHEP.

- ▶ sensitive to gluons down to $x = 10^{-6}$
- ▶ consistency between colour glass condensate and nuclear PDF predictions: to be investigated
- ▶ more precise than present nPDF-based calculations: looking forward for global fit and consistency tests with prompt and non-prompt J/ψ-data from LHCb [arXiv:1706.07122](https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.07122), accepted by PLB
- ▶ see also talk by Yanxi

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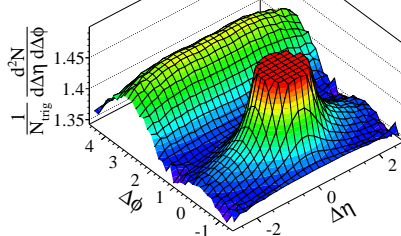


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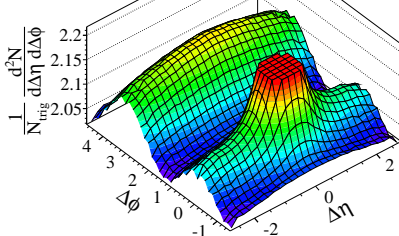
- ▶ test of fragmentation in $p\text{Pb}$
- ▶ to be complemented with a pp measurement at same $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ for publication
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LHCb di-hadron correlations in pPb collisions

LHCb **p+Pb** $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV
 $1.0 < p_T < 2.0$ GeV/c
Event class 0-3%



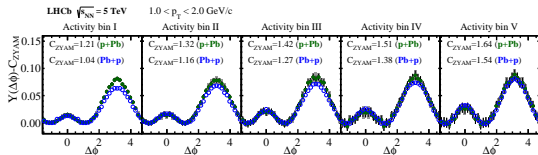
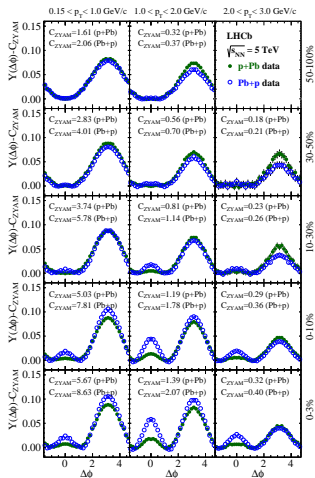
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- ▶ unique forward acceptance with full tracking
- ▶ qualitative agreement with mid-rapidity findings by ALICE, ATLAS and CMS in high multiplicity events
- ▶ significant difference between lead and proton fragmentation side, when comparing same fraction of events based on multiplicity in experimental acceptance $2.0 < \eta < 4.9$

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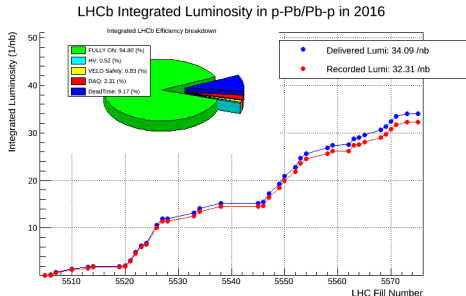
- ▶ increase of near-side correlation towards larger multiplicities and lower p_T after pedestal subtraction
- ▶ results at forward and backward rapidity at same estimated absolute multiplicity in acceptance: similar results of correlation strength after pedestal subtraction
- ▶ looking forward to phenomenological models: kinematics should be favourable for better control in CGC calculations
- ▶ pp measurement ongoing

LHCb $p\text{Pb}$ collisions: 2016 run

request 10 nb^{-1} per beam direction at 8 TeV:

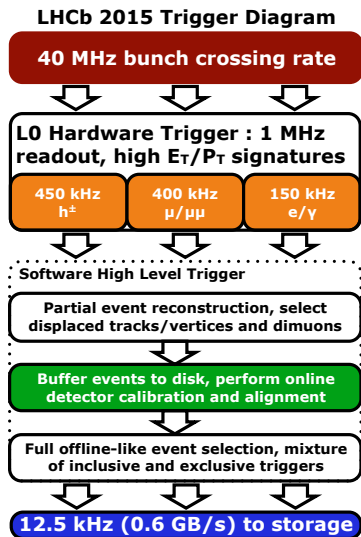
Hadron PID and precision tracking/vertexing down to low- p_T

- ▶ $\psi(2S)$ precision close to the one of J/ψ in 2013 by 10-40 times higher statistics
- ▶ comparison with Drell-Yan
- ▶ double charm production and $c\bar{c}(c)$ - correlations
- ▶ fully reconstructed open beauty and Υ family



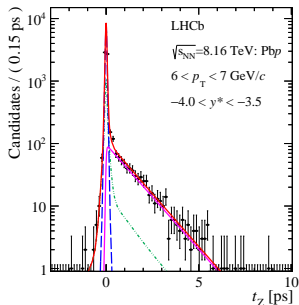
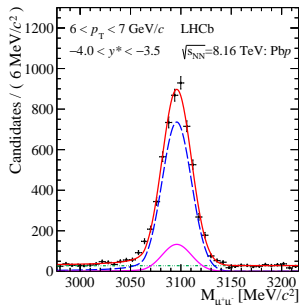
$13.6 \pm 0.3 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ in $p\text{Pb}$
 $20.8 \pm 0.5 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ in $\text{Pb}p$
 $\approx 10^9$ minimum events
in both configurations

2016: $p\text{Pb}$ trigger set-up, data acquisition and calibration

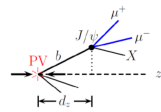


- ▶ offline quality at the software trigger level
- ▶ analysis hot off the press with dedicated stream optionally including full event info: TURBO++
- ▶ trigger system 'overdesigned' for $p\text{Pb}$: $O(100 \text{ kHz})$ vs. 40 Mhz interaction rate, 25 ns vs. 200 ns bunch-bunch spacing
- ▶ TURBO++ heavily used for $p\text{Pb}$: more open cuts than in pp at L0 and HLT1 level
- ▶ 10^9 minimum bias lines taken with **no bias from L0**, just require 1 Velo-track at HLT1!

2016 p Pb run: prompt/non-prompt J/ψ : FIRST result!



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$$t_z = \frac{(z_{J/\psi} - z_{PV}) \times M_{J/\psi}}{p_z}$$

- ▶ about $0.5 \cdot 10^6$ J/ψ candidates in final selection for p Pb and PbPb each
- ▶ signal extraction with 2-dimensional log-likelihood fit of pseudoproper time and mass

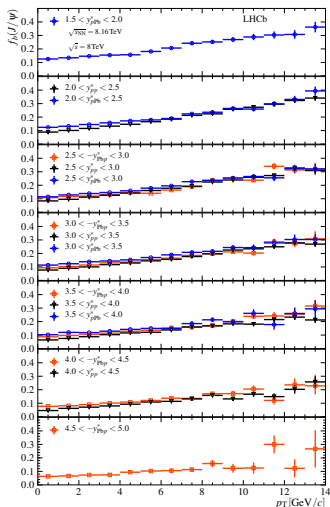
2016 $p\text{Pb}$ run: J/ψ result uncertainties

Source	$p\text{Pb}$	$\text{Pb}p$	Comment
Signal model	1.3%	1.3%	correlated
Muon identification	2.0% – 11.0%	2.1% – 15.3%	correlated
Tracking	3.0% – 8.0%	5.9% – 26.5%	correlated
Hardware trigger	1.0% – 10.9%	1.0% – 7.4%	correlated
Software trigger	2.0%	2.0%	correlated
Simulation statistics	0.4% – 7.0%	0.4% – 26.2%	uncorrelated
$\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$	0.05%	0.05%	correlated
Luminosity	2.6%	2.5%	correlated
Polarisation	–	–	not considered

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- ▶ quoted for double differential results in this table
- ▶ $p\text{Pb}$ for most phase space several sources of similar size
- ▶ dominated by tracking in $\text{Pb}p$: statistical limitation of data-driven correction tables data vs. simulation (worse S/B as in $p\text{Pb}$)

Prompt/nonprompt J/ψ : baseline for future



$$f_b = \frac{\sigma_{J/\psi - \text{from} - b}}{\sigma_{J/\psi - \text{from} - b} + \sigma_{J/\psi - \text{from} - b}}$$

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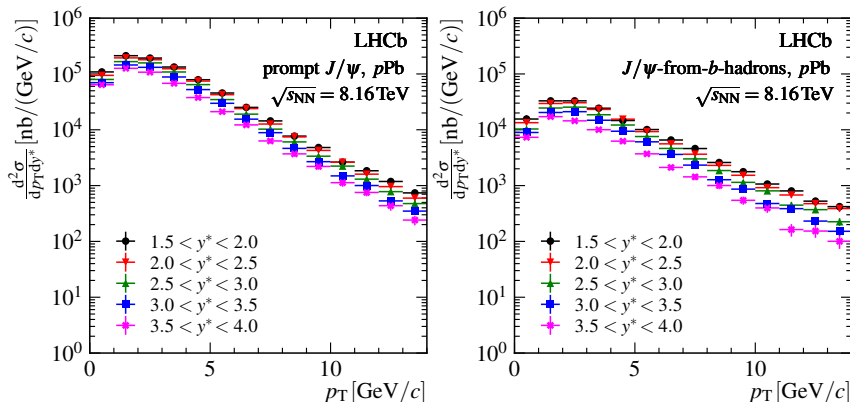
pp@8TeV

pPb@8.16TeV

PbPb@8.16TeV

- ▶ large p Pb statistics enable detailed double-differential comparison between 3 systems
- ▶ different fraction from B hadrons shows already different nuclear modification of prompt and non-prompt component

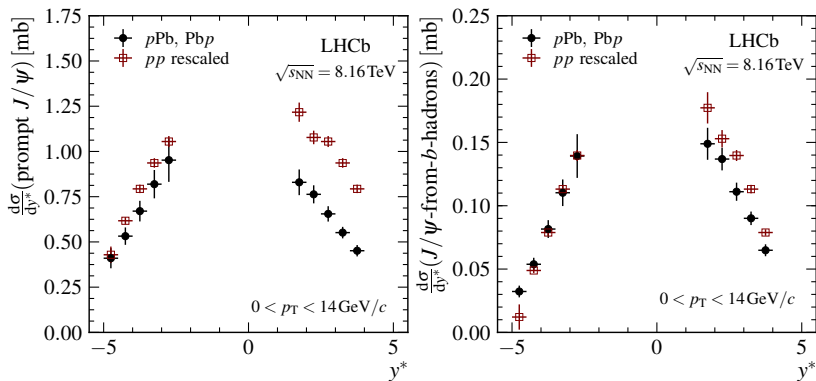
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- precise double differential measurements

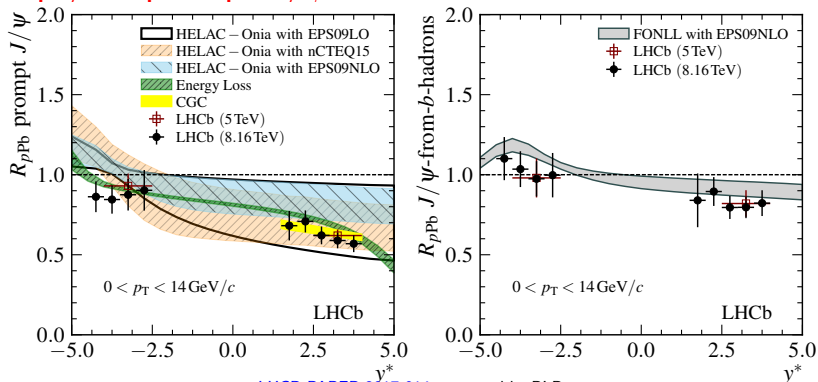
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- ▶ pp reference cross section from inter- (in energy) and extrapolation (in rapidity) of measurements at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7, 8, 13$ TeV
- ▶ comparison of $p\text{Pb}$ cross section at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$ TeV and $pp \times 208$ cross section
- ▶ strong modifications for prompt J/ψ
- ▶ modifications smaller for large Q^2 (J/ψ -from- b -hadrons)

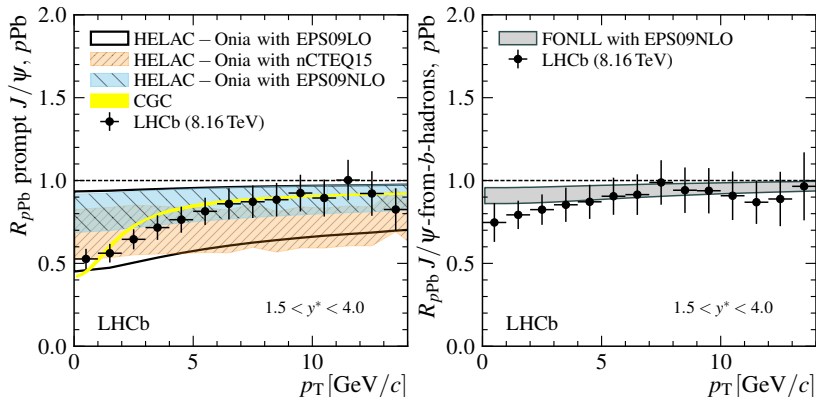
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- ▶ similar as at 5 TeV: no decision based on data possible
- ▶ remarkable that at very backward rapidity rise seen in D-meson data and in nuclear PDF not seen here in prompt and nonprompt J/ψ
- ▶ for the first time precise B-production measurement in pPb down to $0p_T$: crucial input for PbPb phenomenology

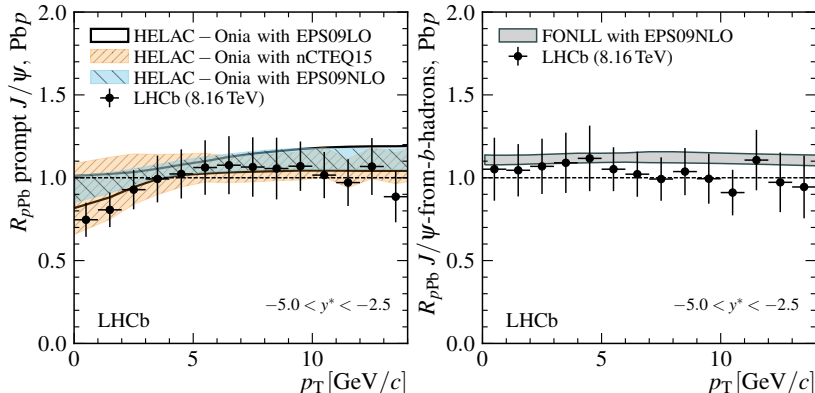
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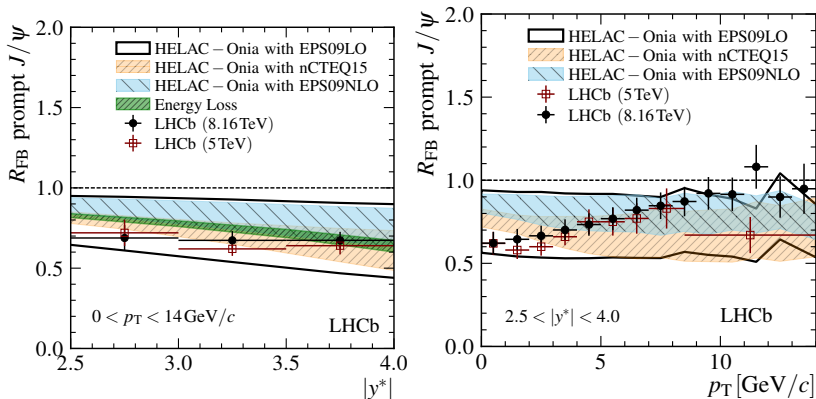
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- ▶ similar picture as at 5 TeV: no decision based on data possible with higher granularity and precision
- ▶ for the first time precise B-production measurement in pPb

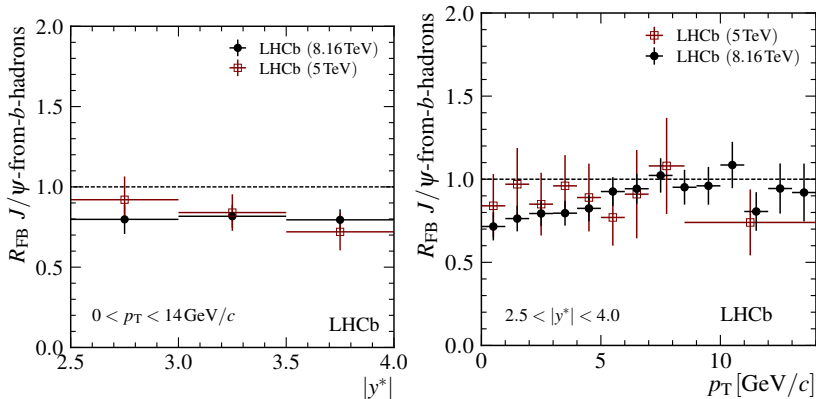
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LHCb-PAPER-2017-014: results from paper draft, $R_{FB} = \sigma_{pPb}/\sigma_{PbP}$

- ▶ forward-backward ratio: more precise, no pp reference involved
- ▶ slight tension with coherent energy loss model and with nuclear PDF

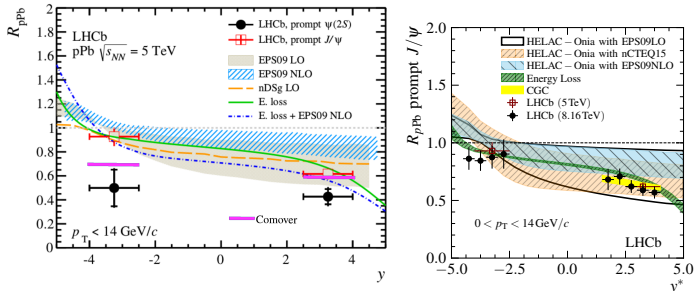
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- ▶ forward-backward ratio: more precise, no pp reference involved
- ▶ unique test of B-production

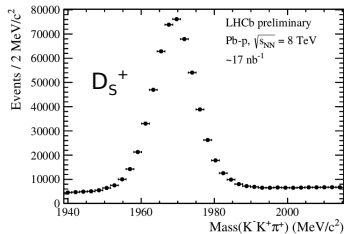
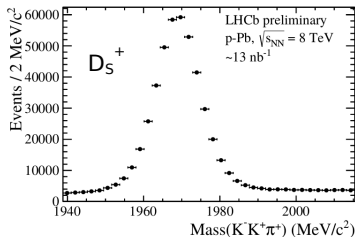
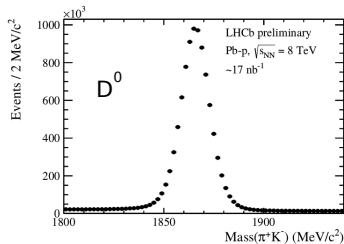
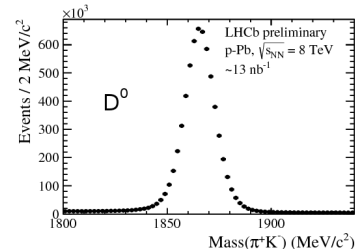
Investigate break-down of factorisation in nuclear collisions with $\psi(2S)$



5 TeV: [JHEP 02 \(2014\) 072](#), [JHEP 1603 \(2016\) 133](#); 8.16 TeV [arxiv:1706.07122](#), accepted by PLB.

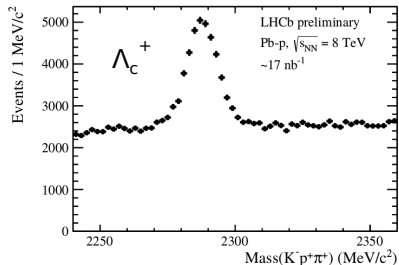
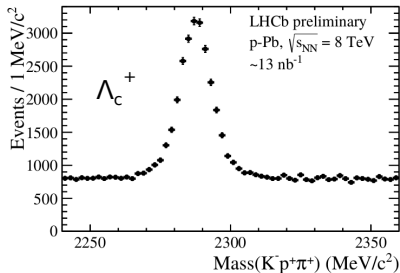
- ▶ additional suppression for $\psi(2S)$ not explained by nuclear PDFs nor by coherent energy loss
- ▶ 'comover' model with no precisely specified secondary interaction [Phys.Lett. B749 \(2015\) 98-103](#): additional suppression also with hadron resonance gas + QGP ansatz by Du & Rapp [Nucl.Phys. A 943 \(2015\)](#)
- ▶ calculation from gluon-kicks estimated with Color Glass Condensate approach and colour evaporation model can explain the data [arXiv:1707.07299](#)
- ▶ double-differential measurement ongoing at 8 TeV: in preparation

2016 p Pb run: open charm



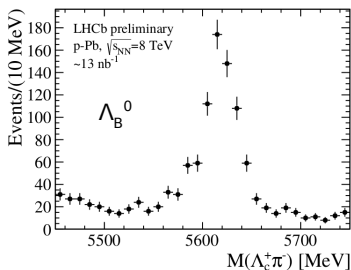
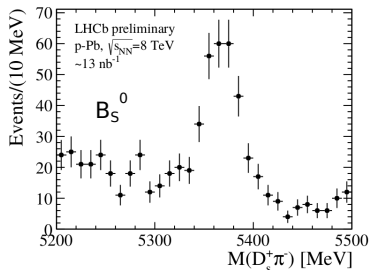
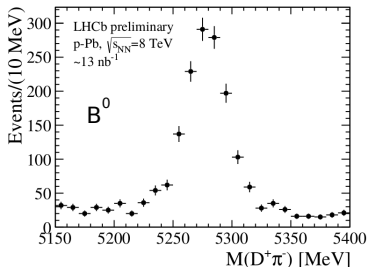
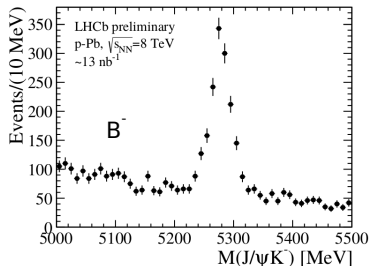
- ▶ unique heavy-flavour data samples to be exploited
- ▶ both in p Pb (left) as well as in Pb p (right)
- ▶ also large statistics for double charm production studies

2016 p Pb run: open charm baryons



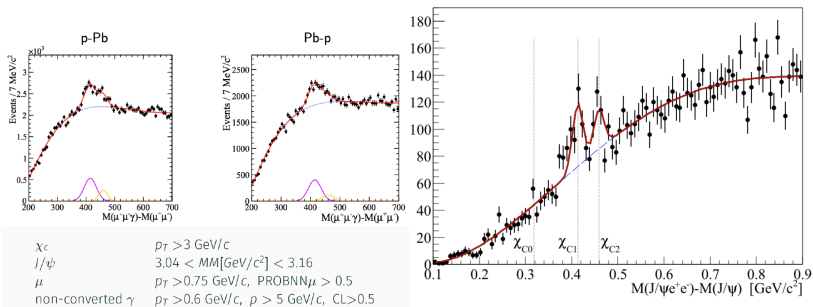
- large data sample down to $p_T = 0$ both in p Pb (left) and Pb p (right)

2016 p Pb run: open beauty



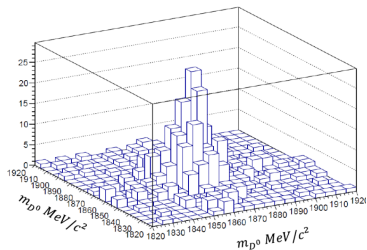
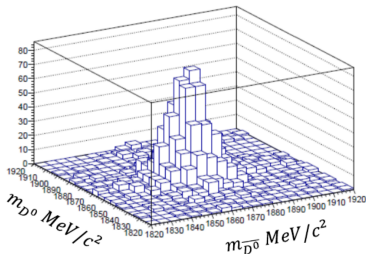
- significant samples of beauty meson & baryons down to $p_T = 0$, analysis started

2016 pPb run: χ_c



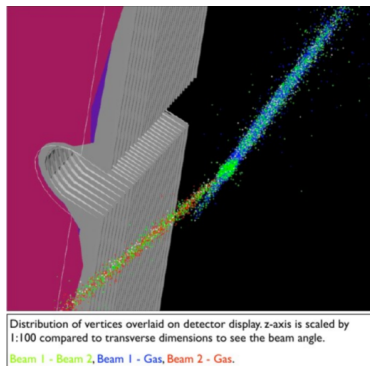
- ▶ first look
- ▶ clarify factorisation break-down further after $\psi(2S)$ measurement

2016 p Pb run: double charm production

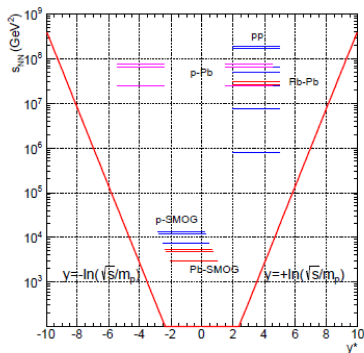


- ▶ first look with bachelor student
- ▶ check DPS and correlations in p Pb

LHCb fixed target

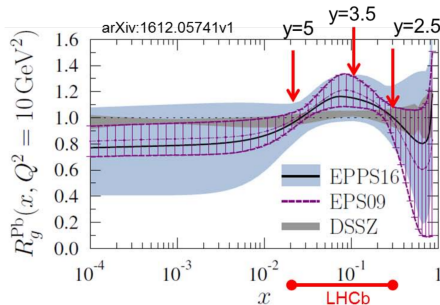
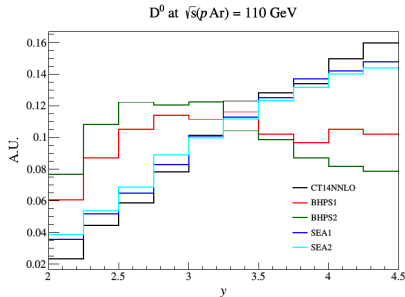


p-Pb
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- ▶ noble gas injections with pressures 10^{-6} - 10^{-7} mbar introduced for improved luminosity measurements and to give relation of highest multiplicity in pAr vs. PbPb
- ▶ used as internal gas target for p-gas and ion-gas collisions: He(A=4), Ne(A=20), Ar(A=40) used so far
- ▶ LHCb acceptance reaches close to midrapidity
- ▶ first preliminary measurements in pAr and in pHe collisions from Run2

Charm production in fixed-target collisions: unique constraints

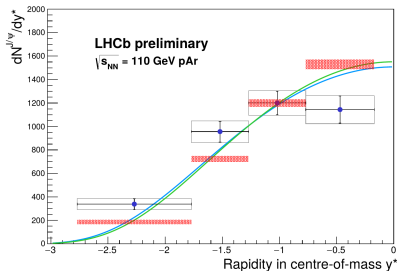
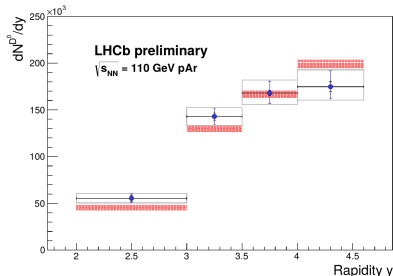


Left: figure by Philip Ilten [link](#), considered pdf models based on CT14 from: [Phys. Rev. D 93, 074008](#); right: figure from talk by Emilie Maurice at QM 2017

- sensitive to nuclear modification of parton distribution function & intrinsic charm on 2015 data shown at [Quark Matter 2017](#): first public physics result from SMOG data

Charm production in fixed target collisions: first results

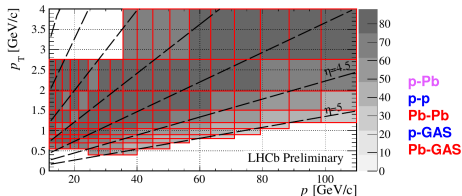
Rapidity in cms: $y^* = y - 4.77$



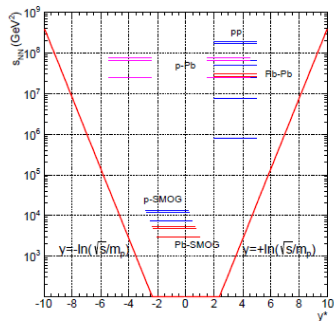
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- ▶ normalised distributions compared with **Pythia** 8 with CT09MCS and with parameterisation of world-data by Arleo et al. for charmonium
- ▶ final analysis together with *p*He result soon

Soft and collective particle production

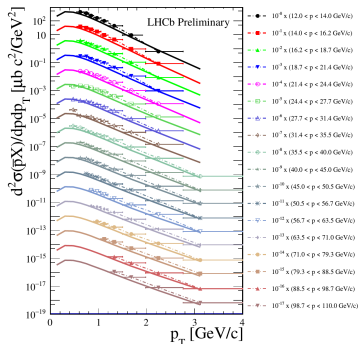


Left kinematic bins of \bar{p} -cross section measurement in pHe [LHCb-CONF-2017-002](#)



- ▶ forward spectrometer geometry allows low p_T measurements at moderate track momenta
- ▶ in fixed-target mode: production studies close to midrapidity well suited for cosmic-ray physics references

\bar{p} -production in p He collisions



Statistical:		
Yields in data and PID calibration		0.7 – 10.8% (< 3% for most bins)
Normalization		2.5%
Correlated Systematic:		
Normalization		6.0%
Event and PV requirements		0.3%
PV reco		0.8%
Tracking		2.2%
Nonprompt background		0.3 – 0.7%
Residual vacuum background		0.1%
Uncorrelated Systematic:		
Tracking		3.2%
IP cut efficiency		1.0%
PID		2.0 – 28% (< 10% for most bins)
Simulated sample size		0.8 – 15% (< 4% for $p_T < 2$ GeV/c)

LHCb-CONF-2017-002, EPOS in solid lines.

- ▶ precise measurement demonstrates the feasibility of primary particle spectra measurements in fixed-target events
- ▶ luminosity determined via elastic e -proton scattering
- ▶ EPOS-LHC underestimates the cross sections by about 50 %
- ▶ starting point for comparative studies for other particle species and collision systems

Conclusions

- ▶ LHCb: fully instrumented spectrometer with unique kinematics with flexible trigger system in collider and fixed-target mode
- ▶ PbPb: first understanding achieved
- ▶ important p Pb results to constrain gluons at low- x and much more to come
- ▶ upgrade in talk on Wednesday