Inclusive J/ ψ production in Pb-Pb and pp collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV with ALICE at the LHC



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 - \circ J/ ψ yield extraction in Pb-Pb and comparison to J/ ψ production in pp

Conclusion and to do

Quark-gluon plasma (QGP) and heavy-ion collisions

Time Michael Strickland, Acta Phys.Polon. B45 (2014) no.12, 2355-2394 Freezeout $\tau > 10 \text{ fm/c}$ Hot Hadron Gas $6 < \tau < 10 \text{ fm/c}$ Equilibrium QGP beam direction P $2 < \tau < 6 \text{ fm/c}$ Non-equilibrium QGP $0.3 < \tau < 2 \text{ fm/c}$ Semi-hard particle production $0 < \tau < 0.3$ fm/c

The space-time history of heavy-ion collision at LHC energies (Pb-Pb)

 $1 \text{ fm/c} \sim 3.33 \times 10^{-24} \text{ s}$

beam direction

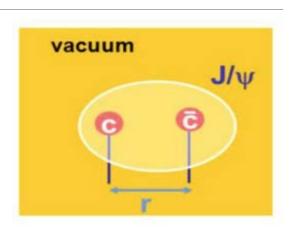
QGP is a special state of nuclear matter at high temperature and/or density, which consists of deconfined quarks and gluons

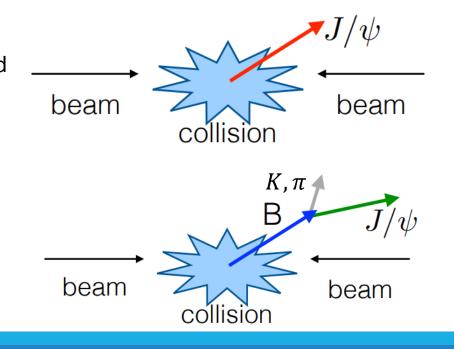


QGP can be created in laboratory with heavy-ion collisions at high energy

J/ψ particle

- J/ ψ particle is a bound state of charm (*c*) and anti-charm (\bar{c}) quark pair
- J/ ψ lifetime is 7.2 × 10⁻²¹ s (= 2162 fm/c)
- J/ψ leptonic decay mode:
 - o $\mu^+ \mu^-$, (5.93 ± 0.06)%
- Inclusive J/ψ :
 - Prompt J/ψ (~85%):
 - \circ direct J/ ψ production (75%)
 - J/ψ feed-down from decays of charmonium excited states (25%)
 - Non-Prompt J/ψ (~15%):
 - J/ψ from beauty (B) mesons
 - e.g. Eur.Phys.J. C76 (2016) no.3,107

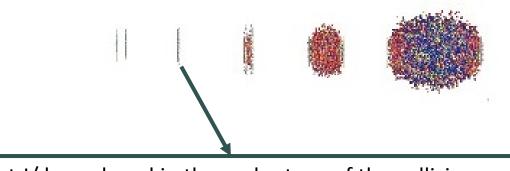




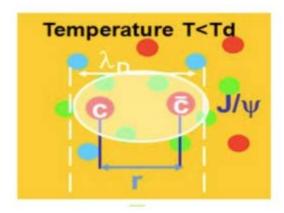
 J/ψ as a probe of QGP

J/ψ production can probe the QGP **Prompt J**/ψ **suppression by color screening in QGP** Satz, Matsui. Phys.Lett. B178(1986) 416-422

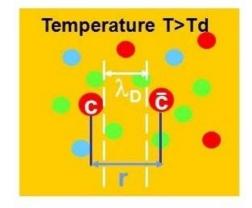
 $\lambda_D(T)$: screening radius. T_d : dissociation temperature. r: binding radius



Prompt J/ ψ produced in the early stage of the collision



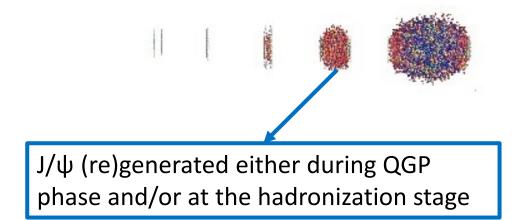
 $r < \lambda_D \rightarrow J/\psi$ can be formed



 $r > \lambda_D \rightarrow J/\psi$ melt $\rightarrow J/\psi$ suppression

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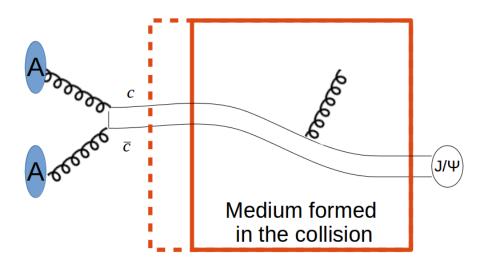
P. Braun-Munzinger and J. Stachel, Phys. Lett. B 490 (2000) 196 R.L. Thews, M. Schroedter, and J. Rafelski, Phys. Rev. C 63 (2001) 054905



- J/ ψ (re)generation in QGP \rightarrow J/ ψ enhancement
- Regenerated J/ψ are expected at low p_T (transverse momentum)

Energy loss effect

• Parton energy loss by multiple scattering of the parton in the medium and gluon radiation



M. Spousta, Phys. Lett. B 767 (2017) 10 F. Arleo, PRL 119 (2017) 062302



Hard probes produced in the early stage of collision

- Energy loss expected as the main mechanism at large p_T
- Energy loss by quarks, gluons or cc pairs?

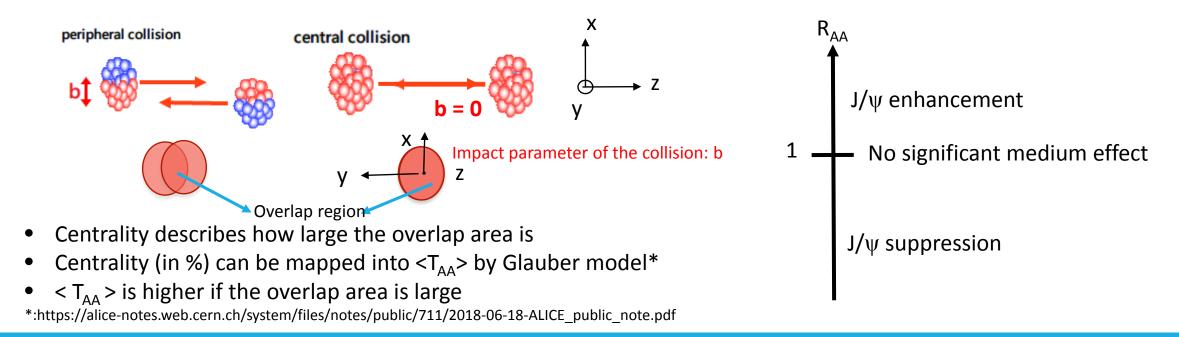
Observable: nuclear modification factor R_{AA}

$$R_{AA} = \frac{Y_{AA}^{J/\Psi}}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle \cdot \sigma_{J/\Psi}^{pp}}$$

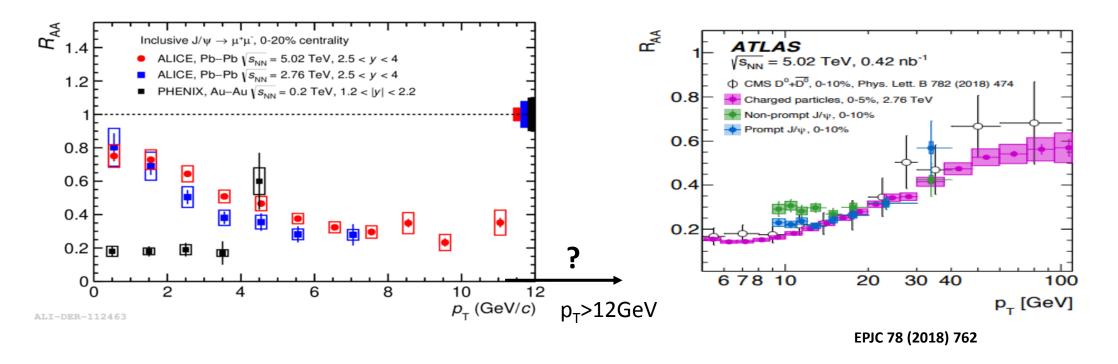
 $Y_{AA}^{J/\Psi}$ is the J/ ψ invariant yield in nucleus-nucleus collisions (AA)

 $\sigma_{I/\Psi}^{pp}$ is the J/ ψ production cross section in proton-proton (pp) collision at the same energy

 $< T_{AA} >$ is the nuclear overlap function which quantifies the average nucleon-nucleon luminosity per AA collision



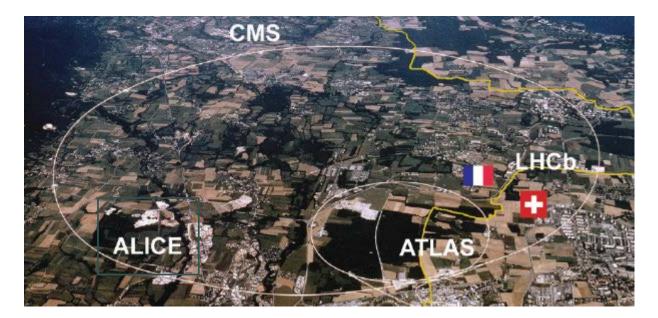
$J/\psi R_{AA}(p_T)$ at RHIC (PHENIX) and LHC (ALICE, ATLAS, CMS)



- $p_T < 6 \text{ GeV}$: R_{AA} increases towards low p_T : hint of regeneration. Interplay between color screening and regeneration
- $6 < p_T < 20 \text{ GeV}: R_{AA} \sim 0.2 0.3$ and increases slightly at larger p_T but suppress strongly. Color screening mostly
- $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}: R_{AA}^{J/\Psi} \sim R_{AA}^{charged}$: energy loss signature. Interplay between color screening and energy loss

The Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

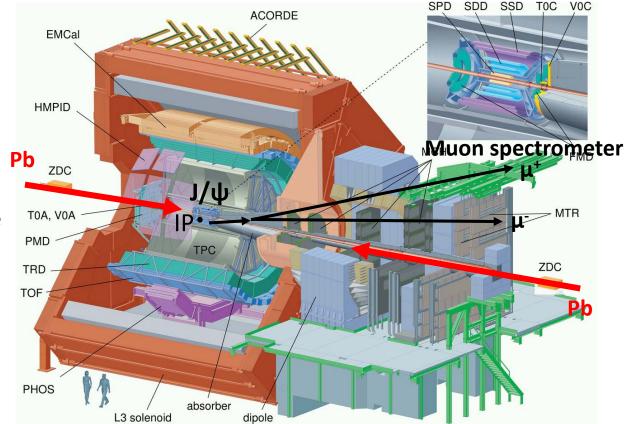
- LHC at CERN (Geneva) is the largest and most powerful particle collider for pp (currently up to $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV) p-Pb (currently up to $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.1$ TeV) and Pb-Pb (currently up to $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV)
- Types of collisions:
 - pp: investigate the quarkonium production mechanism
 - p-Pb: explore the cold nuclear matter effect
 - Pb-Pb: study the properties of quark-gluon plasma



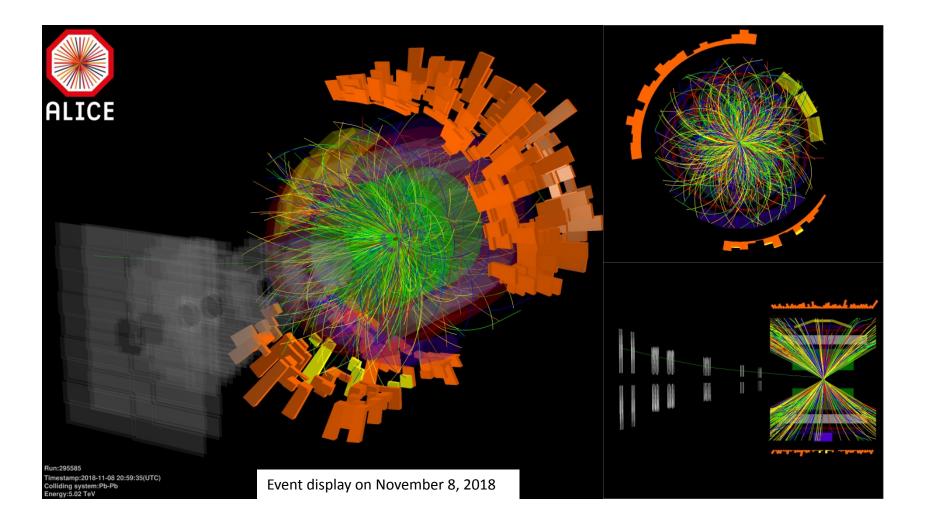


ALICE detector

- •ALICE (A Large Ion Collider Experiment) detector is designed to study QGP in heavy-ion collisions
- Muon spectrometer
 - Absorber system: stop π, k and low momentum μ particles
 - Tracking system: provide the 3D position information of particles
 - Dipole magnet: bend particles to obtain momenta and charges (3 Tm)
 - Trigger system: trigger on dimuon and identify the single muon (2 trigger p_T thresholds: 0.5 & 1 GeV/c or 1 & 4 GeV/c)
- •Other ALICE detector used for muon analysis
 - SPD: vertex determination
 - V0 (V0A & V0C): centrality estimator, minimum bias trigger and background event rejection
 - ZDC (≈ 100m before / after IP): background event rejection



Data taking in 2018 Pb-Pb collisions



Data samples: pp 2017 and Pb-Pb 2015+2018

	Pb-Pb 2015	pp 2017	Pb-Pb 2018
Luminosity	≈225 µb ⁻¹	≈1223 <i>nb</i> ⁻¹	≈537 μb^{-1}
Data sample	137 runs	51 runs	232 runs

 $L_{int}^{2018,Pb-Pb}\approx 2.4\times L_{int}^{2015,Pb-Pb}$

Run is basic unit of data taking

pp 2017:

- Extract the J/ ψ signal in p_T (and y intervals)
- Acceptance times efficiency in detector
- Measure the J/ ψ cross section vs p_T (and y)

Pb-Pb 2015:

- Extract the J/ ψ signal and systematic uncertainty
- Acceptance times efficiency in detector

Pb-Pb 2018:

- Extend the 2015 analysis to higher p_T by summing the two data samples
- Measure the R_{AA} versus p_T

Nuclear modification factor R_{AA}

$$R_{AA} = \frac{Y_{AA}^{J/\Psi}}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle \cdot \sigma_{J/\Psi}^{pp}} = \frac{N_{AA}^{J/\Psi}(p_T)}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle \cdot \frac{d^2 \sigma_{J/\Psi}^{pp}}{dp_T dy} \cdot BR \cdot A\varepsilon(p_T) \cdot N_{MB} \cdot \Delta p \cdot \Delta y}$$

 $N_{AA}^{J/\Psi}(p_T)$: raw number of J/ ψ as a function of p_T

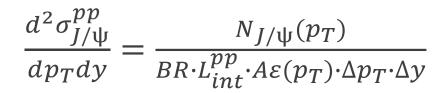
BR: branching ratio of J/ ψ decaying into dimuon

 $A\varepsilon(p_T)$: detector acceptance times efficiency

N_{MB}: number of minimum bias events, computed from the number of dimuon triggered events

Differential J/ ψ cross-section in pp: $\frac{d^2 \sigma_{J/\psi}^{pp}}{dp_T dy} = \frac{N_{J/\psi}(p_T)}{BR \cdot L_{int}^{pp} \cdot A\varepsilon(p_T) \cdot \Delta p_T \cdot \Delta y}$ L_{int}^{pp} : luminosity in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 5$ TeV

J/ψ differential cross sections in pp



pp Data samples: event and track selections

Data samples:

• Quality assurance checked runs

Event selections:

- Trigger selection: opposite sign dimuon trigger
- Physics selection: to reject the background events
- Centrality selection: with VOA and VOC (for Pb-Pb only)

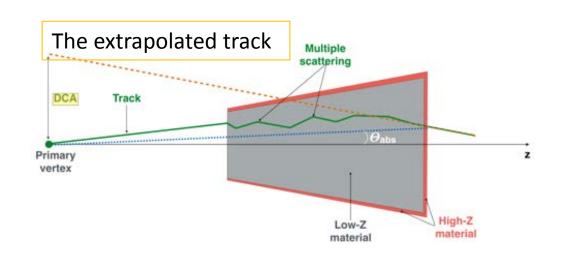
Track selections:

- Θ_{abs} : 2-10 degree
- p*DCA cut: to reject beam gas tracks
- Pseudo-rapidity η : 2.5 4.0: the geometrical acceptance of the muon spectrometer
- Matching of tracking tracks with trigger tracks with p_T threshold of 0.5 GeV/c or 1 GeV/c

Dimuon selection:

- Rapidity: 2.5 < **y** < 4.0
- Opposite charge muons

The same cuts are applied in Monte Carlo & data samples



J/ψ signal extraction in pp

Signal functions (for invariant mass of dimuons $M_{\mu^+\mu^-}$):

- Extended Crystal Ball (CB2), tails from MC (Geant3 & Geant4) and 13 TeV pp data
- NA60 function, tails from MC (Geant3 & Geant4)

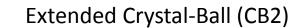
Background functions:

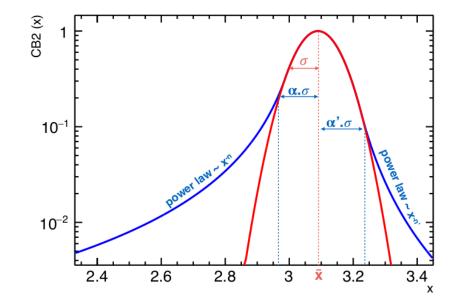
- Variable Width Gaussian (VWG1)
- Polynomial ratios (Pol1/Pol2)

Fitting ranges of invariant mass:

pp: [2.0, 4.8], [2.2, 4.4] GeV/c²

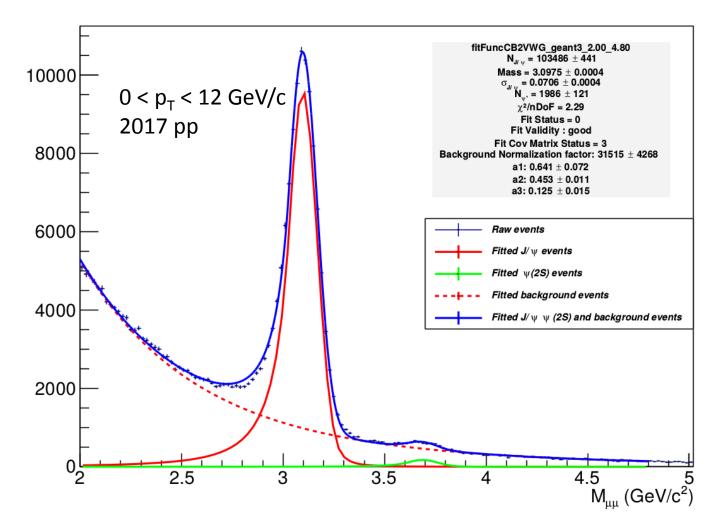
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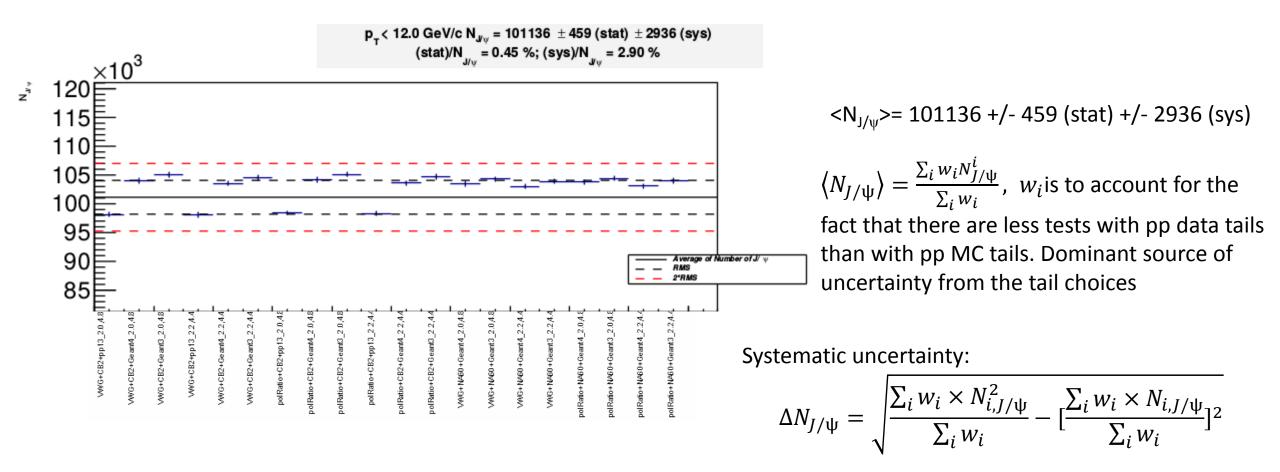
 \bar{x} : the mean. σ : the width. (α , n, α' , n'): 4 tail parameters fixed from MC simulation and from free tails fit to large statistics pp data

J/ψ signal extraction in pp

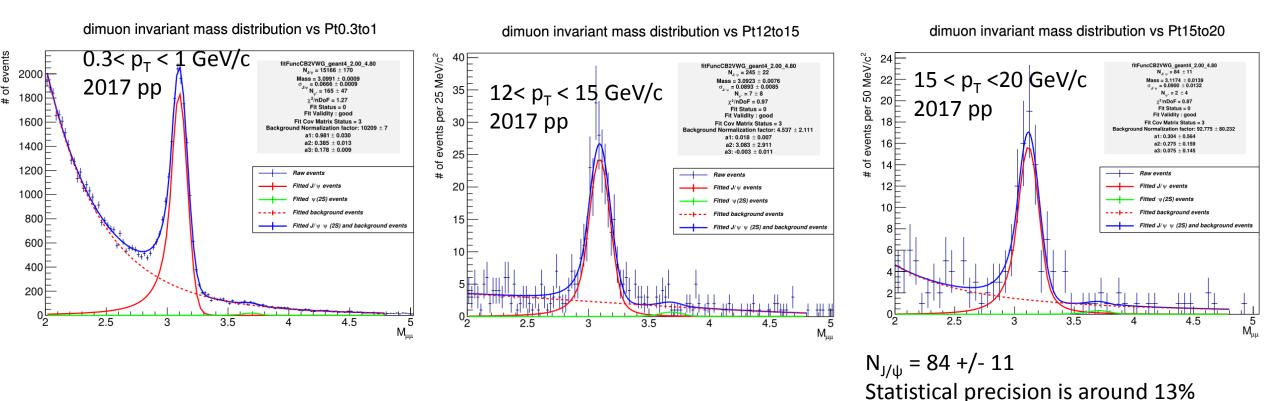


$$M_{\mu^{+}\mu^{-}} = \sqrt{m_{\mu^{+}}^{2} + m_{\mu^{-}}^{2} + 2(E_{\mu^{+}}E_{\mu^{-}} - \boldsymbol{p}_{\mu^{+}} \cdot \boldsymbol{p}_{\mu^{-}})}$$

J/ψ signal: extraction and systematic uncertainty



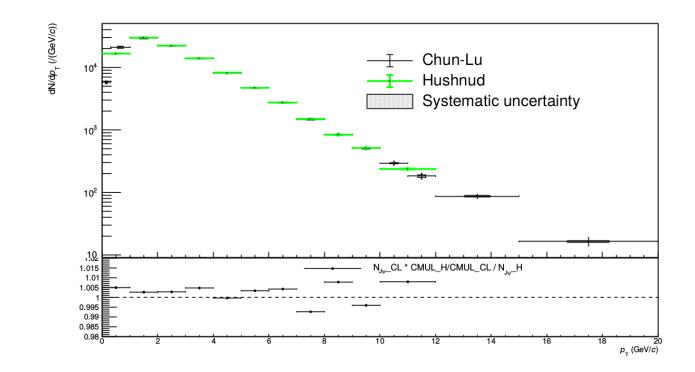
J/ψ signal extraction in different p_T bins in pp



J/ ψ yield: dN/dp_T as a function of p_T

•Cross-check with another independent analyzer up to 12 GeV/c: good agreement within 1%

• p_T reach in pp defines the p_T reach in Pb-Pb as well

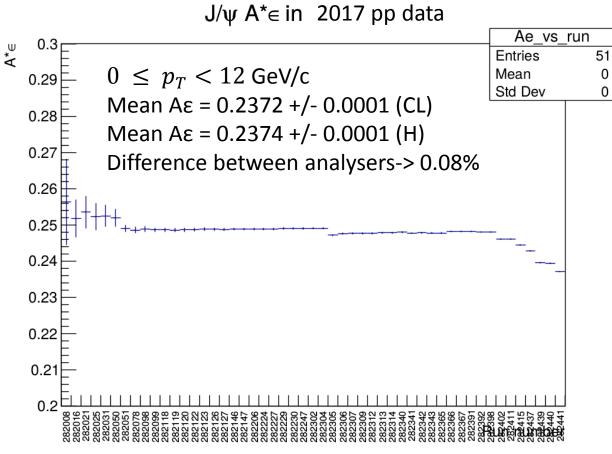


J/ψ Acceptance times Efficiency A ϵ

To correct for detector effect and geometrical acceptance

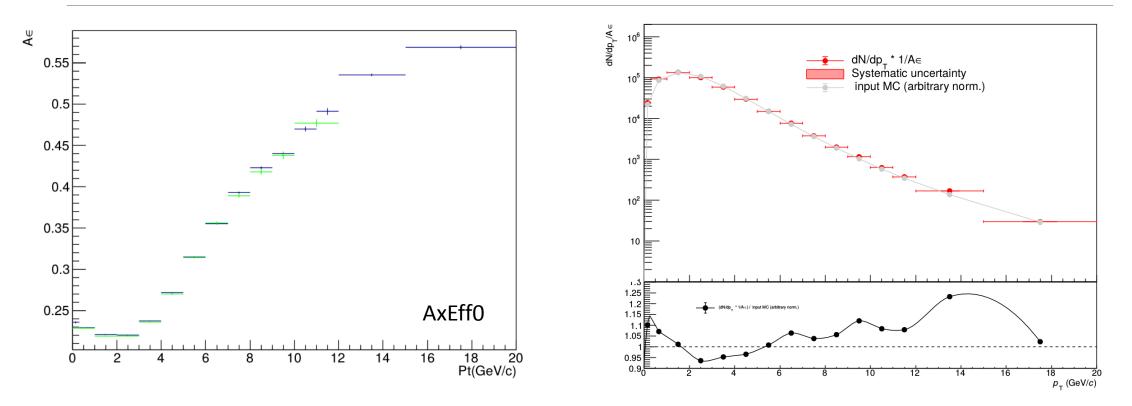
Acceptance x Efficiency $A\epsilon_i(p_T) = \frac{N_i^{rec}(p_T)}{N_i^{gen}(P_T)}$

 $A\epsilon_i$ may vary run by run



A loss of efficiency is observed at the end of the data taking period because of high voltage trips in tracking chambers

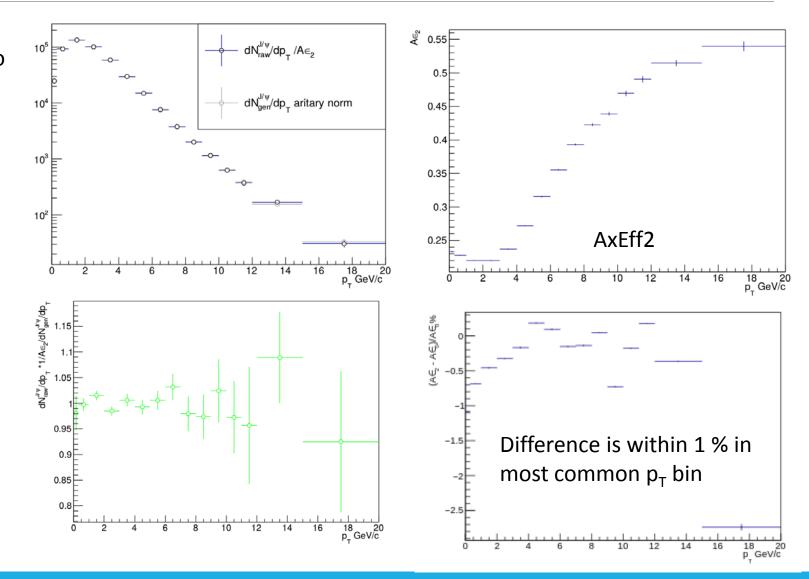
J/ψ Acceptance times Efficiency



Input MC shape is not consistent with J/ψ yield shape at first

J/ψ Acceptance times Efficiency

Applying the iterative procedure to tune the input MC shape to the J/ψ data corrected by AxEff

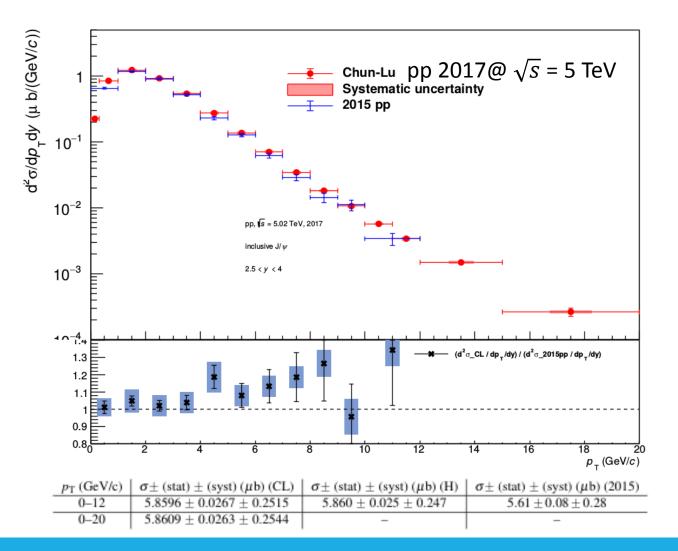


 J/ψ cross-section in pp

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{J/\psi}^{pp}}{dp_T dy} = \frac{N_{J/\psi}(p_T)}{BR \cdot L_{int}^{pp} \cdot A\varepsilon(p_T) \cdot \Delta p_T \cdot \Delta y}$$

Integrated luminosity:

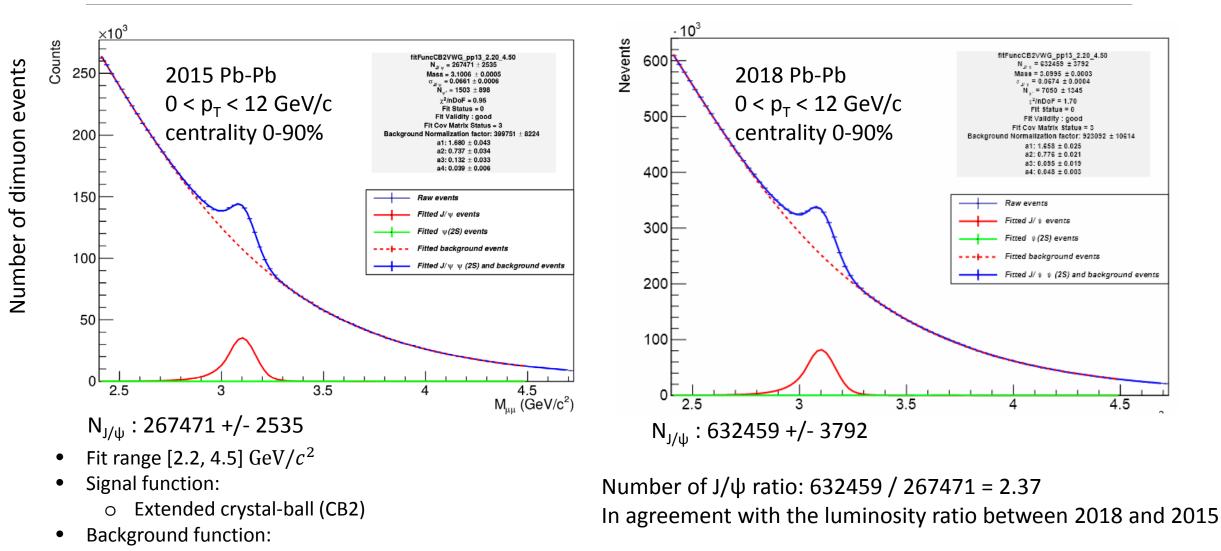
- Chun-Lu: 1220.88 +/- 21.80 nb⁻¹
- Agreement within 1 sigma for the integrated cross section and for the most of p_T and y bins
- Biggest deviation of 1.7 sigma in $4 \le p_T < 5$ GeV/c



Nuclear modification factor R_{AA} in Pb-Pb collisions

 $\underline{N_{AA}^{J/\Psi}}(p_T)$ $R_{AA} = \frac{1}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle \cdot \frac{d^2 \sigma_{J/\Psi}^{pp}}{dp_T dy} \cdot BR}$ $(A\varepsilon(p_T)) N_{MB} \cdot \Delta p \cdot \Delta y$

J/ψ signal extraction in Pb-Pb

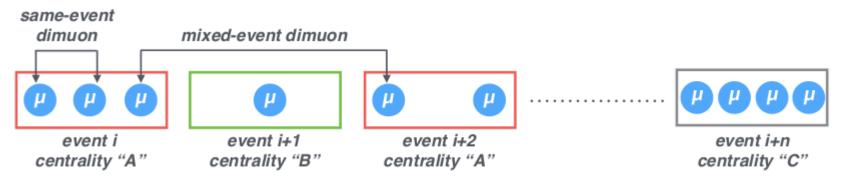


Variable Width Gaussian (VWG2)

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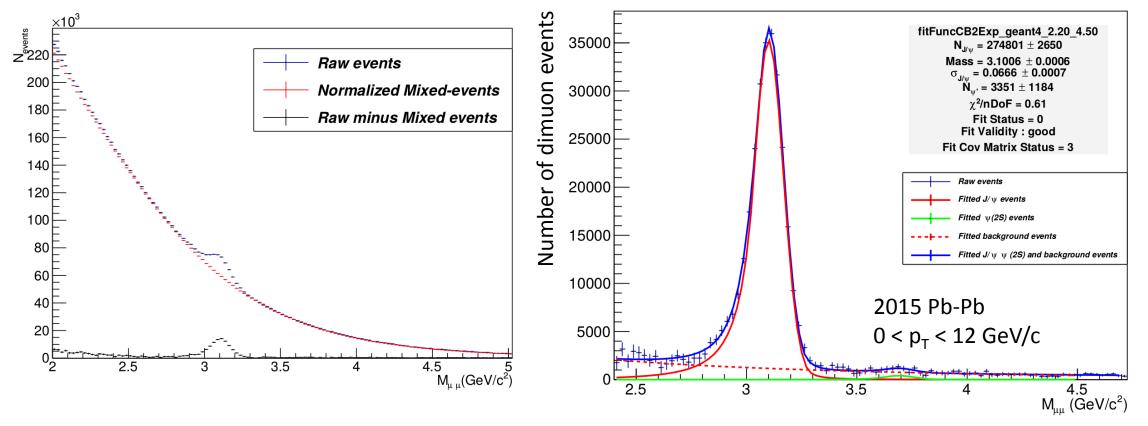
J/ψ signal extraction in Pb-Pb: event mixing

- Dimuon sources populating the invariant mass spectra
- Fully correlated dimuons decayed from charmonium states (J/ ψ or ψ (2S))
- Background events:
 - $\circ~$ Correlated dimuons from the decay of heavy quark pairs: c \rightarrow D \rightarrow μ^+
 - Uncorrelated dimuons coming from different physics processes. K $\rightarrow \mu^+$; $\pi \rightarrow \mu^-$
- Remove the uncorrelated dimuon events \rightarrow mixed event method



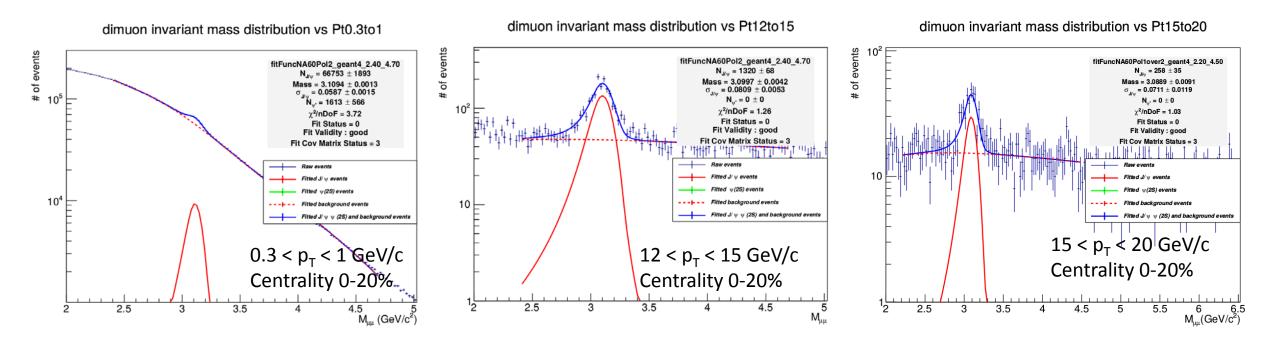
J/ψ signal extraction in Pb-Pb: event mixing

Signal function: CB2 with Geant4 tail Background function: Exponential function: $f(x) = A \cdot e^{B \cdot x}$ Fit range [2.2, 4.5] GeV/c²



Signal is clear. Correlated background is estimated with an exponential

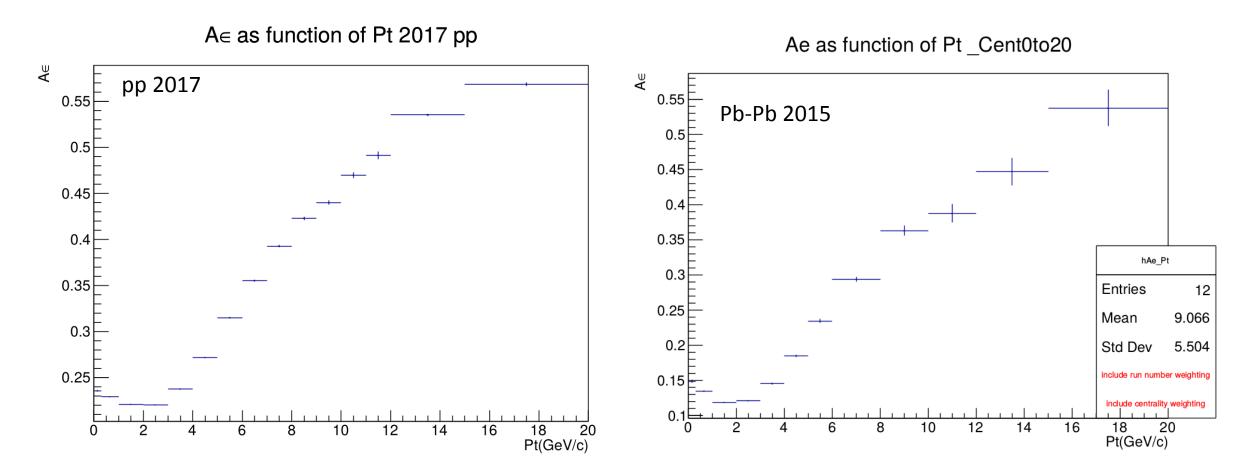
Number of J/ ψ in 2018 Pb-Pb



Signal function: NA60 (The same Geant4 tail as in 2015 Pb-Pb). Background function: pol2/pol3, pol1/pol2 (for high p_T region)

 $N^{J/\psi} = 258 + /-35$ in p_T [15, 20] GeV/c \rightarrow the statistical precision on the J/ ψ yield is ~13.5%

Acceptance times efficiency vs p_T



Efficiency is lower in Pb-Pb due to the higher trigger p_T threshold and high occupancy in detectors

Conclusion and to do

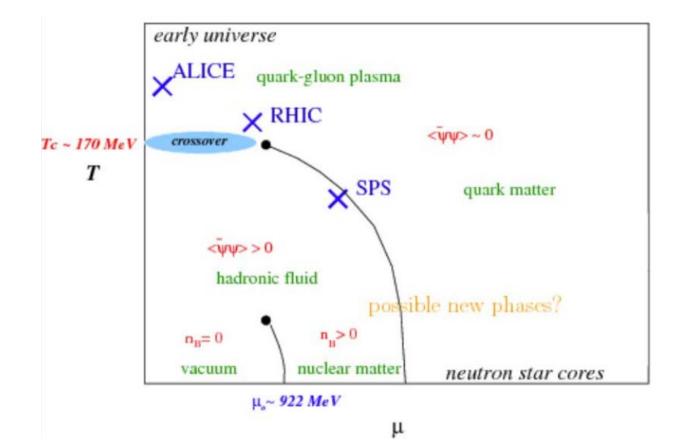
- •Measuring J/ ψ production cross section in pp collisions at various energy is important to study J/ ψ production mechanism
- •It is also an important reference for the new J/ ψ R_{AA} measurement in Pb-Pb with 2015 + 2018 data which allow one to reach larger p_T and perform double differential analysis in p_T/y
- •J/ ψ is a probe of the QGP by measuring its R_{AA} observable
- •Different medium effects can explain the yield suppression / enhancement in Pb-Pb w.r.t pp collisions:
 - $\,\circ\,$ color screening (low to large $p_T)$
 - $\,\circ\,$ regeneration (low p_T mainly)
 - energy loss (large p_T)

•Combined analysis of several datasets is on the way to compute $J/\psi R_{AA}$ up to $p_T = 20 \text{ GeV/c}$

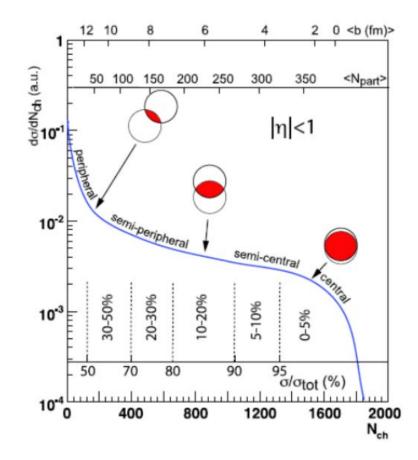
- •To measure J/ ψ R_{AA} accumulating 2015+2018 Pb-Pb data
 - $\,\circ\,$ Compute A ϵ vs p_T in 2018 PbPb
 - Extract J/ ψ signal with full statistics in p_T intervals until 20 GeV/c
 - Apply the mixed-event method to subtract the background events in 2018

Back up

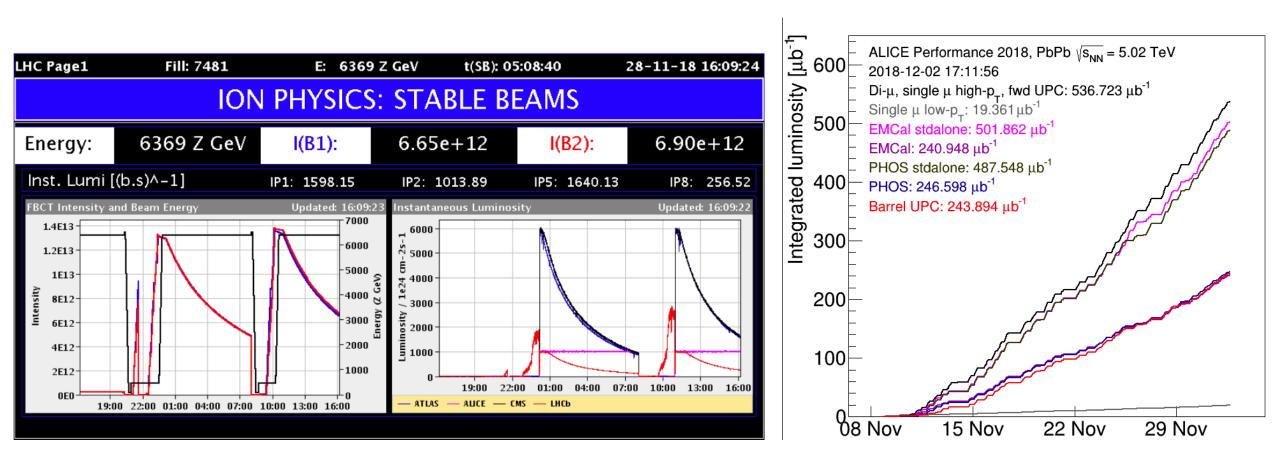
QCD phase diagram



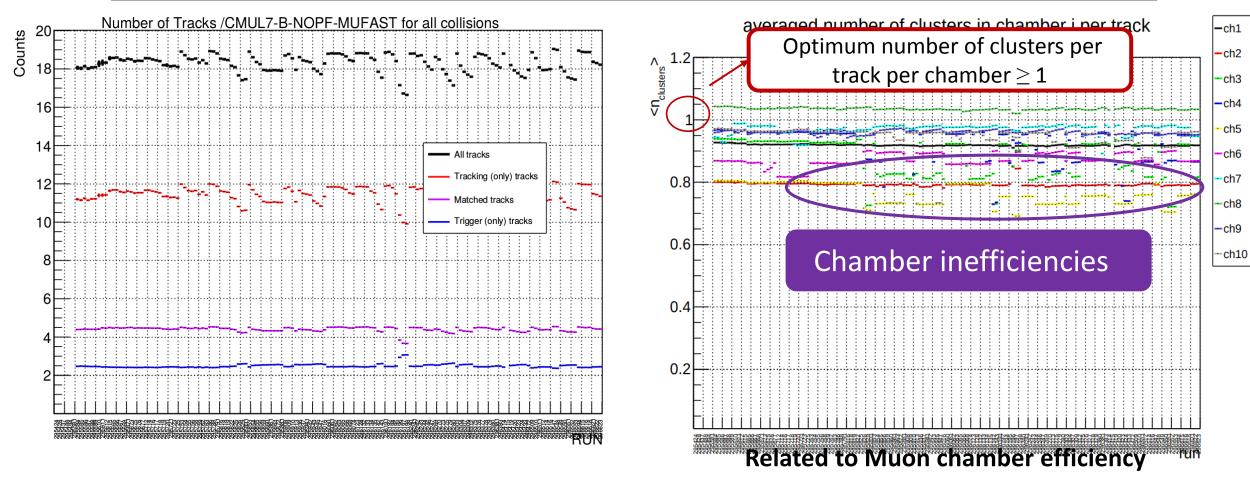
Relating Glauber to real collisions



Luminosity at the LHC in 2018



Quality of muon data in 2018 Pb-Pb



- Matched tracks: Matching of tracking tracks with trigger tracks with p_T threshold of 1 GeV/c
- Stable trending plots in 2018
- Chamber inefficiencies are reproduced in MC simulation

Analysis of inclusive J/ ψ in 2015 and 2018 Pb-Pb data

Data samples

137 QA checked runs (2015)

(110+101)QA checked runs. 2018 data taking reconstruction finished in January, 2019

Event selection

- Trigger selection: Dimuon trigger
- Centrality selection: With VOA and VOC
- Physics selection: To reject background events

Track selection (Single muon)

- Pseudo rapidity selection: 2.5-4.0. The geometrical acceptance of the muon spectrometer
- θ_{abs} selection: 2 10°
- Matching of tracking tracks with trigger tracks with p_T threshold of 1GeV/c
- *p* × *DCA* (momentum times Distance of Closest Approach) selection: To reject beam gas tracks

Dimuon selection

Rapidity: 2.5 < y < 4.0: The acceptance of the measurement</p>

J/ψ signal extraction in pp & Pb-Pb

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Background functions:

- Variable Width Gaussian (VWG2 & VWG1)
- Polynomial ratios (Pol2/Pol3 & Pol1/Pol2)
- Exponential function for mixed-event method only

Fitting ranges of invariant mass:

- Pb-Pb: [2.2, 4.5], [2.4, 4.7] GeV/c²
- pp: [2.0, 4.8], [2.2, 4.4] GeV/c²

Total methods in pp: $(3 + 2) \times 2 \times 2 = 20$

Total methods in Pb-Pb: $(3 + 2) \times 2 \times 3 = 30$

Extended Crystal-Ball (CB2)

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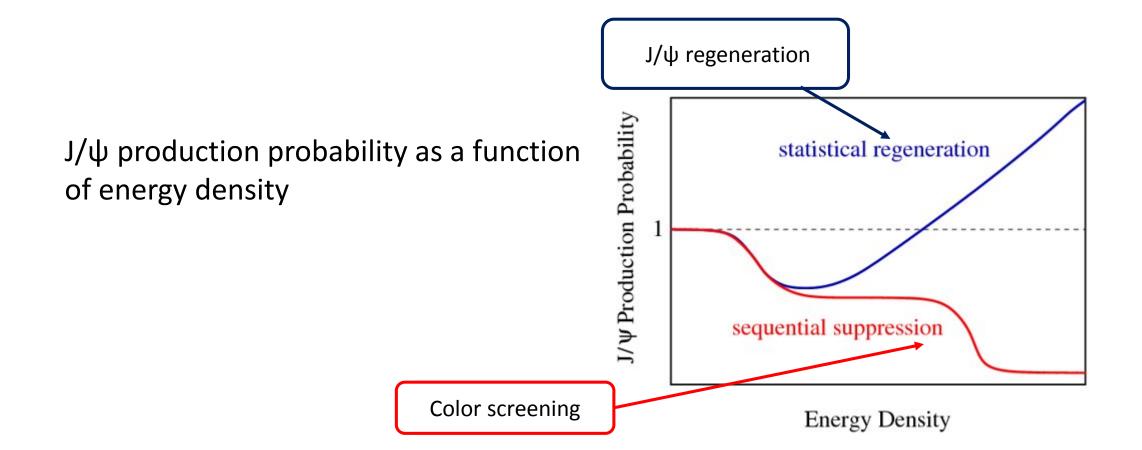
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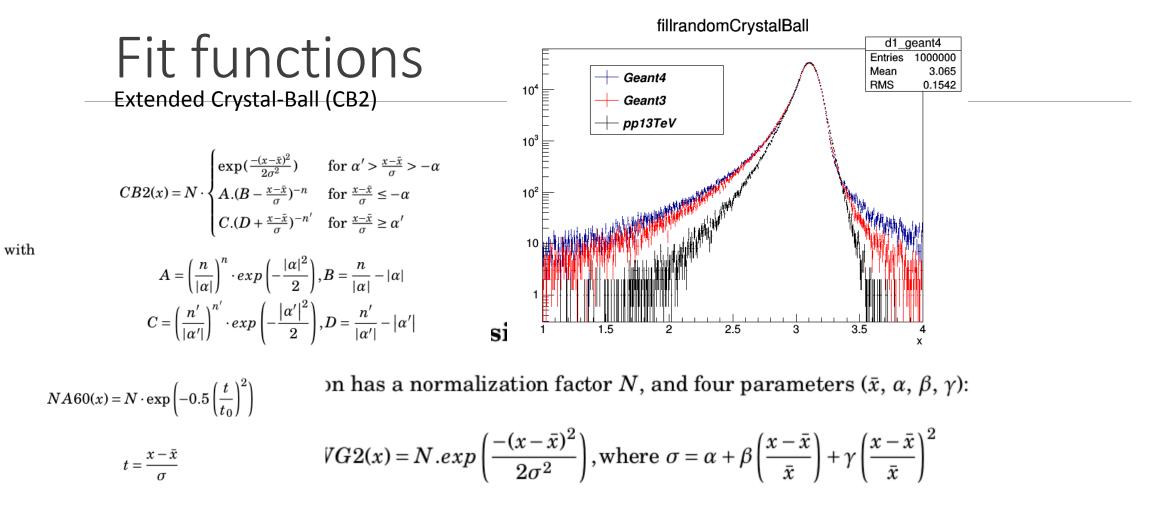
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 \bar{x} : the mean. σ : the width. (α , n, α' , n'): 4 tail parameters fixed by MC simulation and data

J/ψ sequential suppression





 $\begin{cases} t_0 = 1 + p_1^L (\alpha^L - t)^{(p_2^L - p_3^L \sqrt{\alpha^L - t})} & \text{for } t < \alpha^L \\ t_0 = 1 & \text{for } \alpha^L < t < \alpha^R \\ t_0 = 1 + p_1^R (t - \alpha^R)^{(p_2^R - p_3^R \sqrt{t - \alpha^R})} & \text{for } t > \alpha^R \end{cases}$

Polynomials ratio (Pol2/Pol3)

In addition to the normalization factor N, this function has 5 parameters $(a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2, b_3)$ and it is defined by:

$$Pol2/Pol3(x) = N \cdot \frac{1 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2}{b_1 x + b_2 x^2 + b_3 x^3}$$

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Weight in calculation of $\mathsf{A}^*\epsilon$

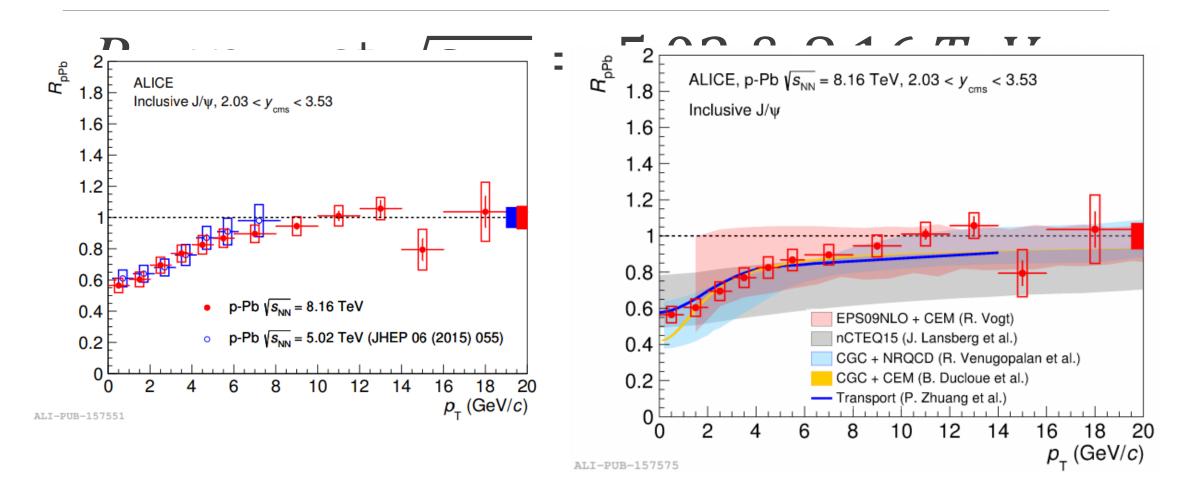
Run number Weighting

Weighted Acceptance x Efficiency
$$\overline{A\epsilon_j} = \frac{\sum_i N_{CMUL}^{i,j} \cdot A\epsilon_{i,j}}{\sum_i N_{CMUL}^{i,j}}$$
,
the weighted uncertainty $\sigma_{\epsilon,j} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_i (N_{CMUL}^{i,j})^2 * \sigma_{\epsilon,i,j}^2}{(\sum_i N_{CMUL}^{i,j})^2}}$,

Centrality Weighting

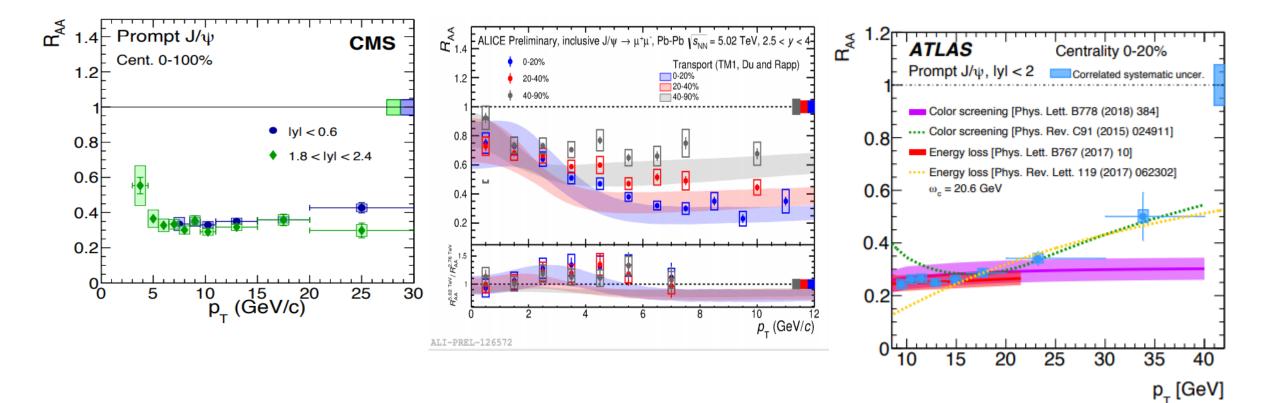
Weighted Acceptance x Efficiency
$$\overline{A\epsilon} = \frac{\sum_{j} N_{CMUL}^{j} \overline{A\epsilon_{j}}}{\sum_{j} N_{CMUL}^{j}}$$

where $N_{CMUL}^{i,j}$ is the number of events in run number i in centrality bin j for CMUL trigger from real data.



CNM effects (shadowing, gluon saturation, energy loss, ...) studied by measuring the nuclear modification factor R_{AB} in light systems

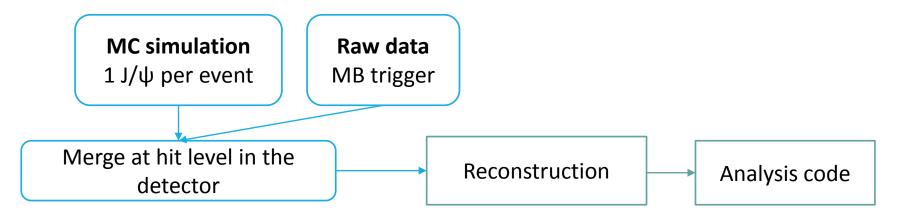
Newest R_{AA} vs p_T in LHC and models



Monte-Carlo(MC) simulation of 2015 Pb-Pb collisions

■ High occupancy of the detectors in Pb-Pb collisions -> decrease of the detector resolution and efficiency

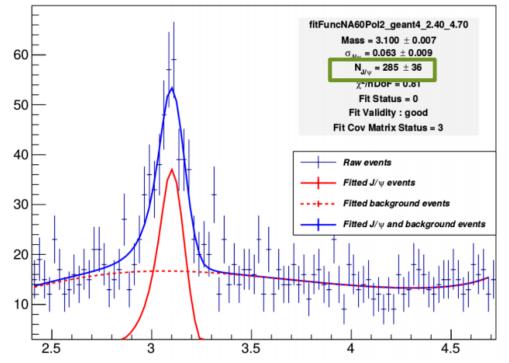
Principle of an embedding MC simulation



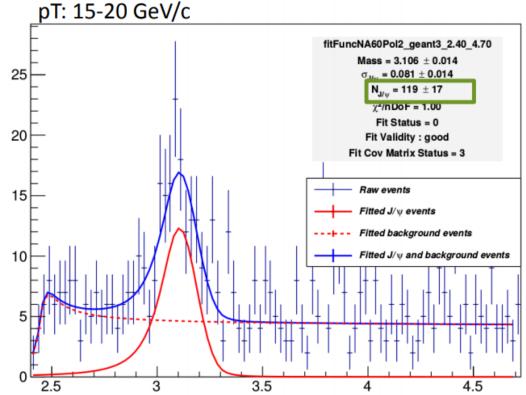
Embedding simulation: merge at hit level raw data and pure signal -> allow to simulate the high occupancy of the detectors

Estimation number of J/ ψ in 2015 Pb-Pb collisions Centrality 0-20%, J/ ψ p_T range: 0-20 GeV/c

pT: 12-15 GeV/c



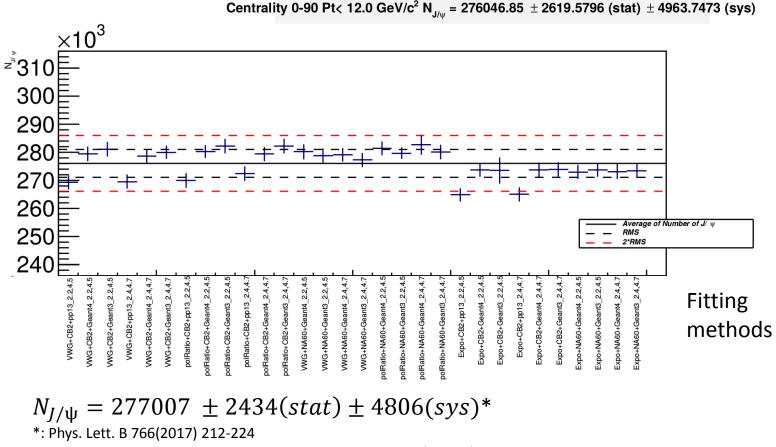
Signal function: NA60 (Signal tails integrated over p_T: Geant 4 and Geant 3) Background function: pol2/pol3



The statistical precision on the J/ ψ yield is ~14% in p_T 15-20 GeV/c -> p_T reach = 20 Gev/c

J/ψ signal extraction in 2015 PbPb

The systematic uncertainty on J/ ψ signal extraction in 2015 Pb-Pb



The relative difference: $-0.3\% \pm 7.6\%(stat) \pm 3.3\%(sys)$

J/ψ signal extraction in 2018 PbPb

2018 (30 runs/ (130 runs + 118 runs to be checked QA)) Dimuon invariant mass with all centrality and p_{τ} integrated

Signal function: CB2 Background function: VWG

Estimated number of J/ψ events in this year : 276k*2.4~ 662k according the luminosity

