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Charmonia production in Heavy Ion collisions at LHCb

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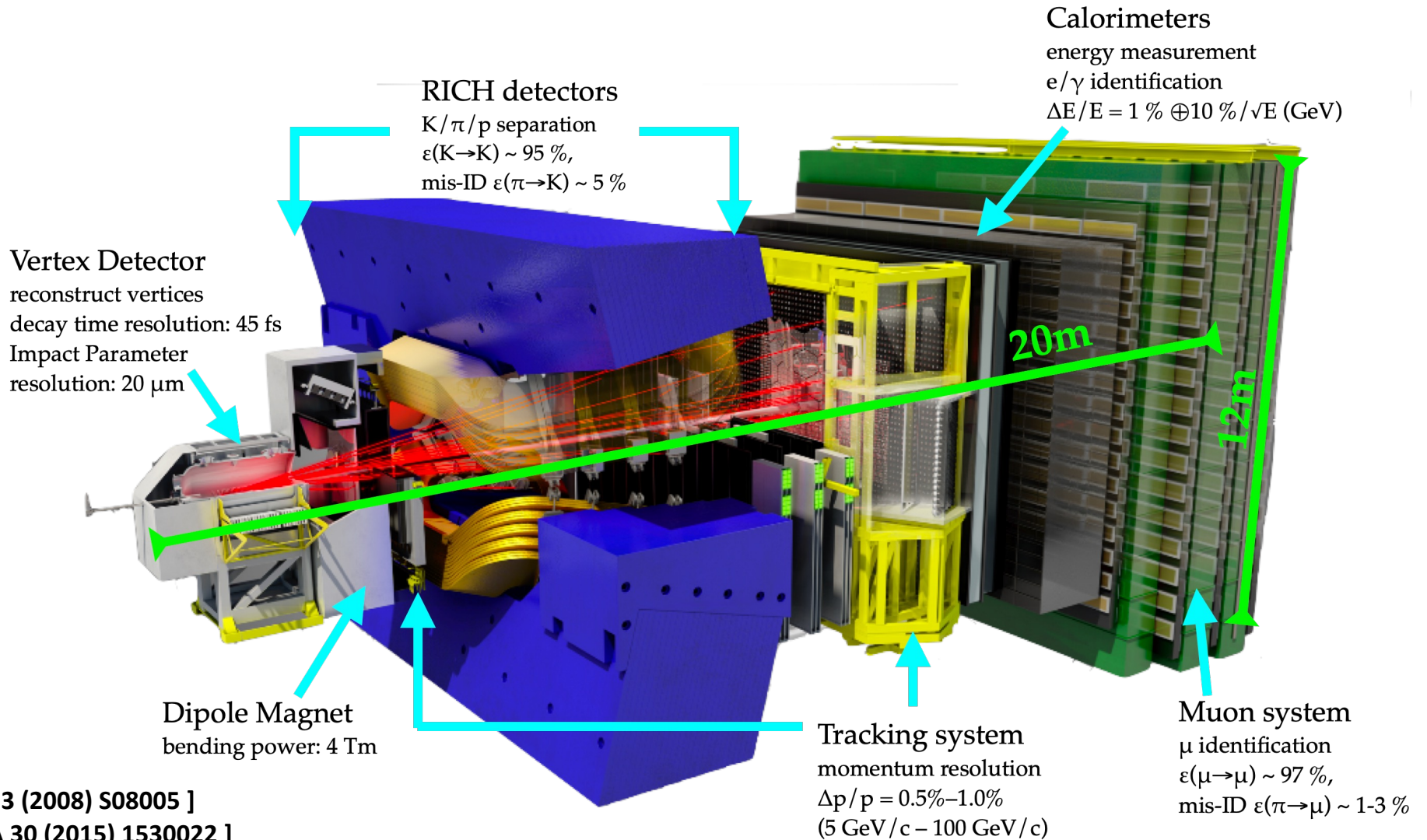
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The LHCb detector (Run2)

- LHCb is the only dedicated detector (at LHC) fully instrumented in forward region
- Unique kinematic coverage
 $2 < \eta < 5$
- A high precision device, down to very low- p_T , excellent particle ID, precise vertex and track reconstruction.

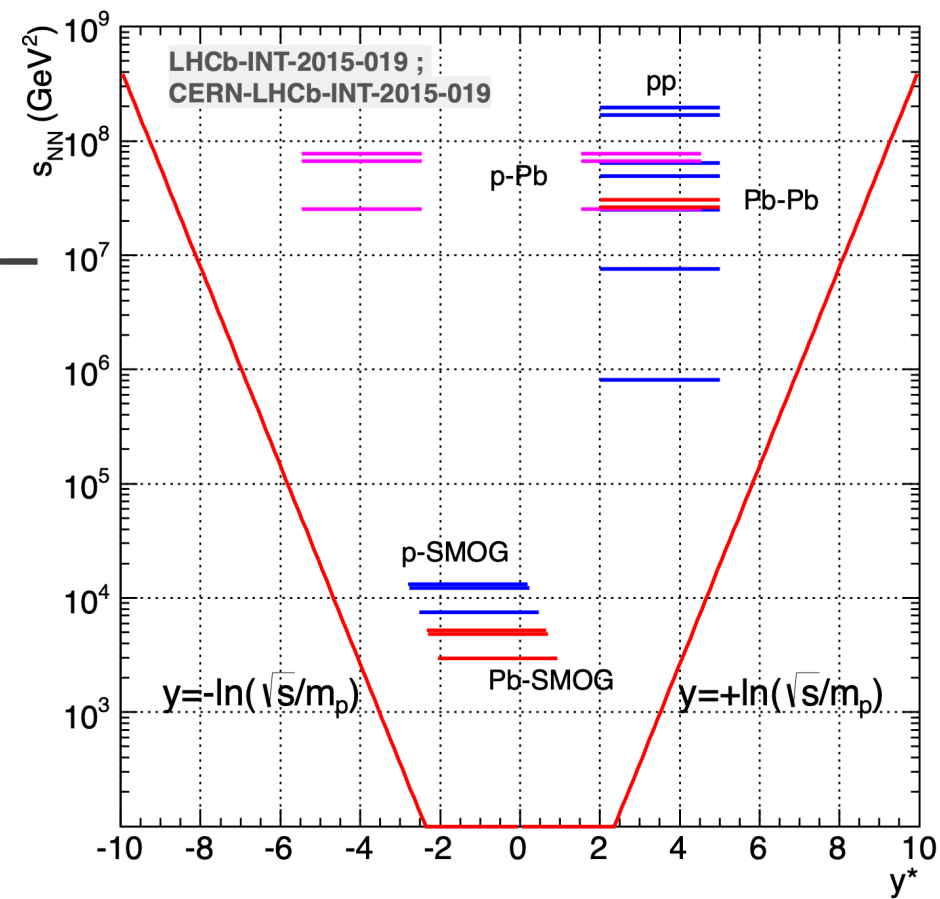
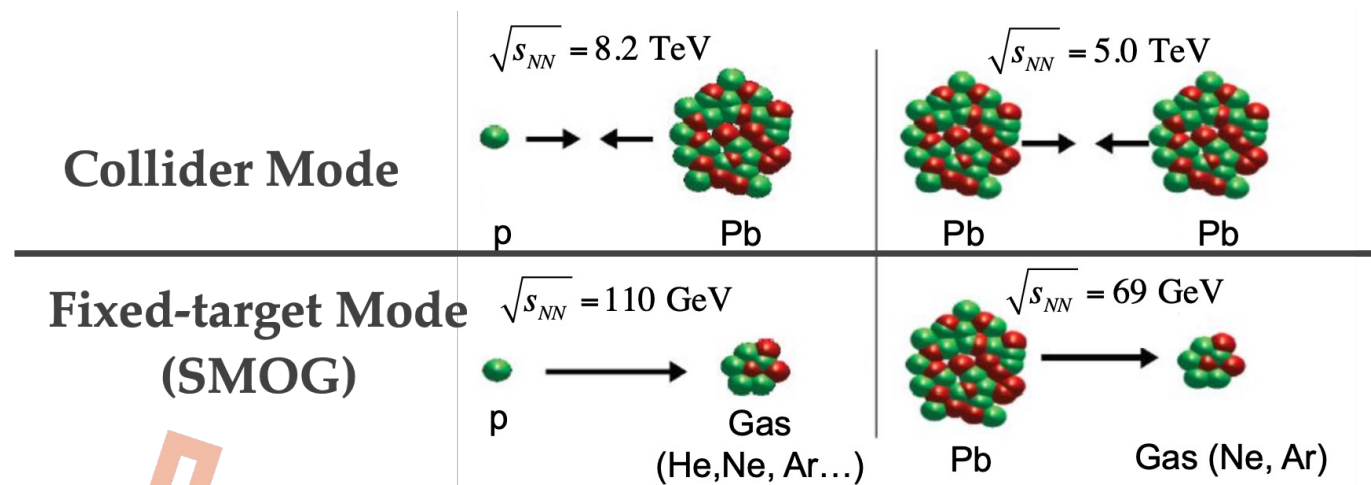
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LHCb Run2 heavy ion data

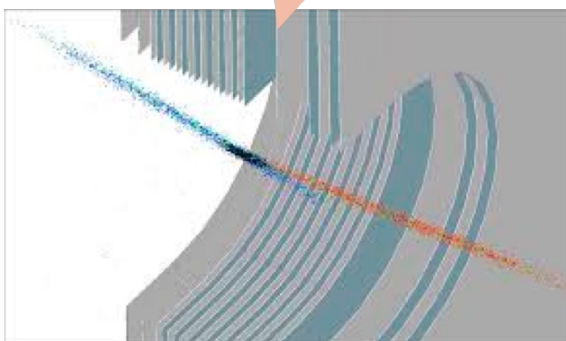
Both the collider mode and fixed-target mode running at the same time

Kinematic acceptance



Collider mode:
Forward and backward coverage

Fixed-target mode:
Central and backward coverage
 $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$: 69 - 110 GeV,

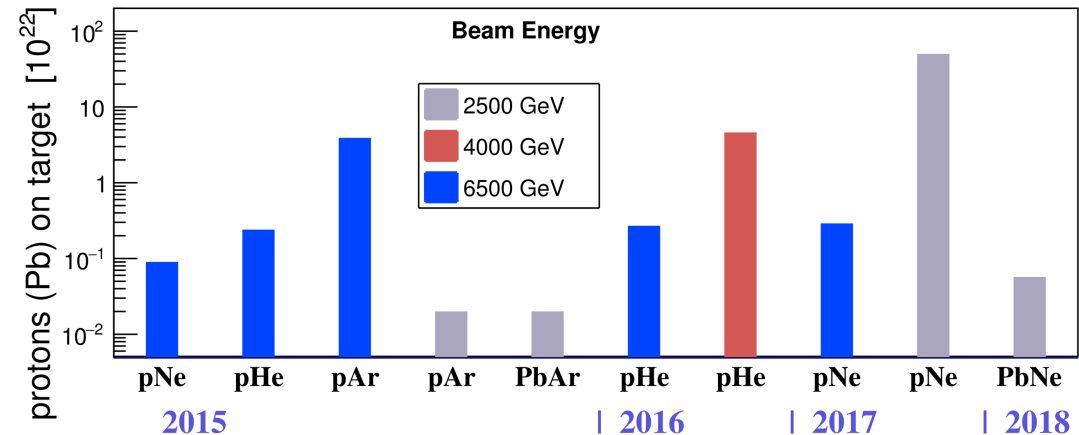


Collider mode datasets:

$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$	2013 5.02 TeV		2016 8.16 TeV		2015 5.02 TeV	2017 5.02 TeV	2018 5.02 TeV
	pPb	Pbp	pPb	Pbp	PbPb	XeXe	PbPb
\mathcal{L}	1.1 nb ⁻¹	0.5 nb ⁻¹	13.6 nb ⁻¹	20.8 nb ⁻¹	10 μb ⁻¹	0.4 μb ⁻¹	~ 210 μb ⁻¹

Fixed target mode datasets:

$$\int \mathcal{L} dt \sim 5 \text{nb}^{-1} \times \frac{(\text{protons on target})}{10^{22}} \times \frac{p_{gas}}{2 \times 10^{-7} \text{mbar}} \times \text{Exp_efficiency}$$



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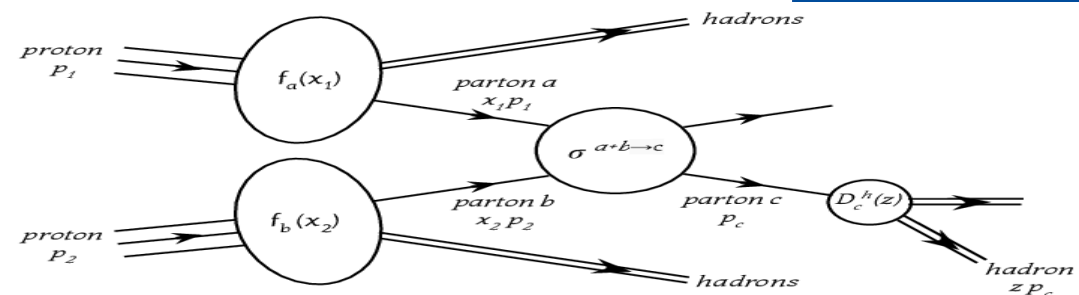
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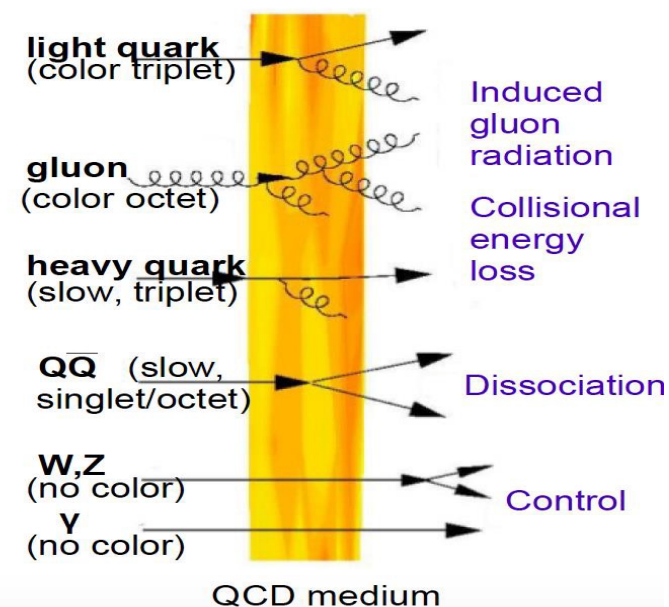
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Probe nuclear matter effects

- Charmonium dominantly produced in initial hard scattering then interact with the QGP medium.
 - $\tau_{HF} (\approx 0.05 - 0.1 \text{ fm}/c) < \tau_{QGP} (\approx 0.3 \text{ fm}/c \text{ at LHC})$
- Production in small system (pp, pA):
 - Probes the initial state cold nuclear matter (CNM) effects: Nuclear shadowing, gluon saturation, k_T broadening, etc., constraining nPDFs.
- Production in large system (AA):
 - Hard probes of the QGP medium through in-medium suppression and enhancement of the production yields



PDFs/nPDFs
Non-perturbative \otimes Hard scatter
perturbative \otimes Fragmentation
Non-perturbative



J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ production in pPb collisions

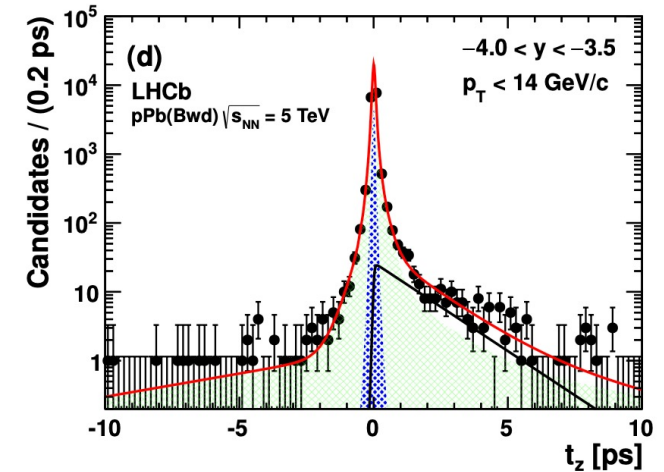
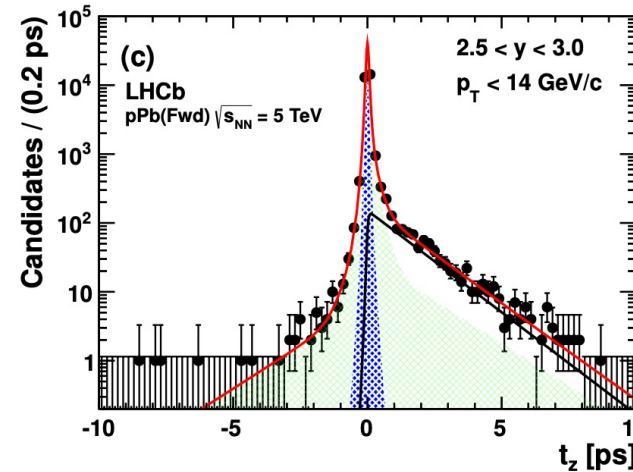
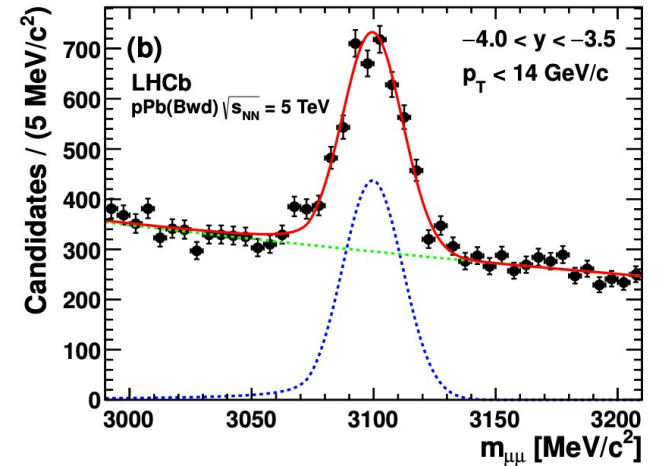
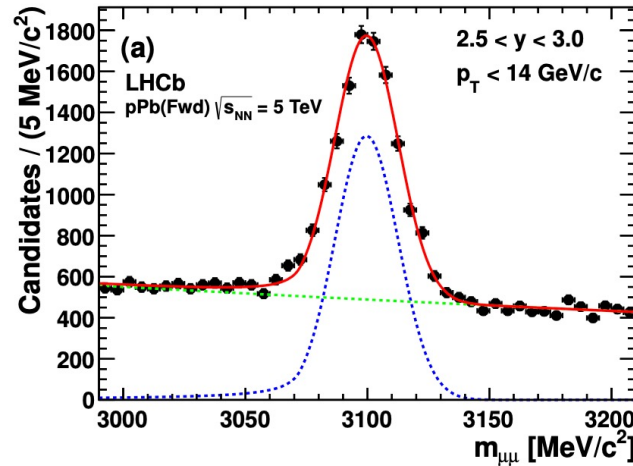
First heavy ion publication from LHCb!
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- Production **differential cross-section** measured in pPb for both 5.02 TeV and 8.16 TeV
- Spontaneous fit to dimuon mass and pseudo-proper time for both forward and backward collisions
- for both **prompt** and **non-prompt** production (from b-decay)
- Also measured **nuclear modification** factors:

$$R_{pA}(y, p_T, \sqrt{s_{NN}}) \equiv \frac{1}{A} \frac{d^2\sigma_{pA}(y, p_T, \sqrt{s_{NN}})/dydp_T}{d^2\sigma_{pp}(y, p_T, \sqrt{s_{NN}})/dydp_T},$$

- And **forward-backward ratio**:

$$R_{FB}(y, p_T, \sqrt{s_{NN}}) \equiv \frac{\sigma_{pPb}(+|y|, p_T, \sqrt{s_{NN}})}{\sigma_{pPb}(-|y|, p_T, \sqrt{s_{NN}})}.$$



J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ production in pPb collisions

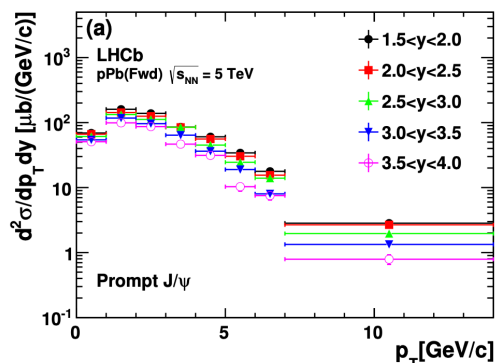
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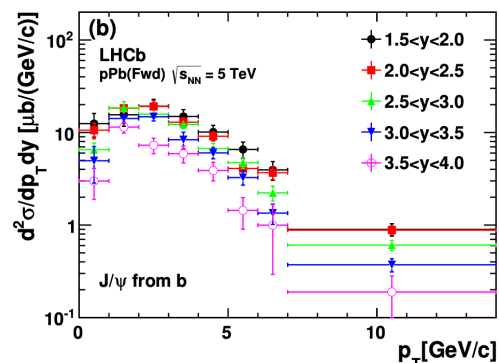
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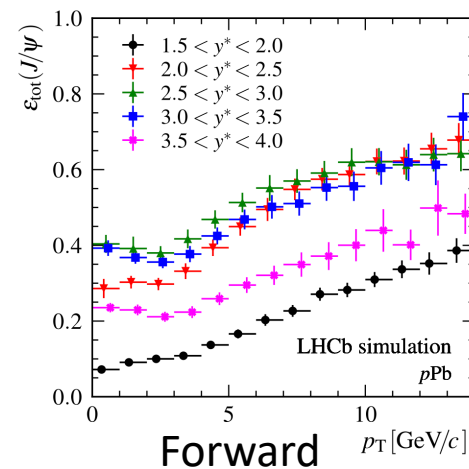
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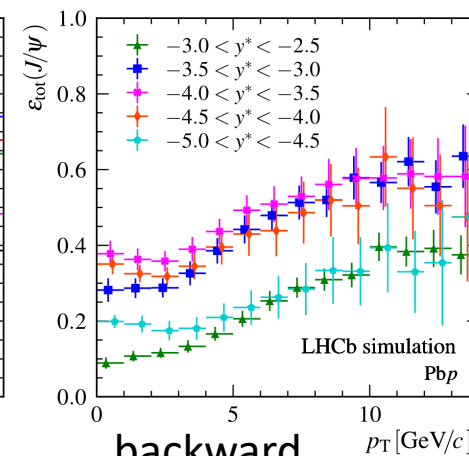
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backward

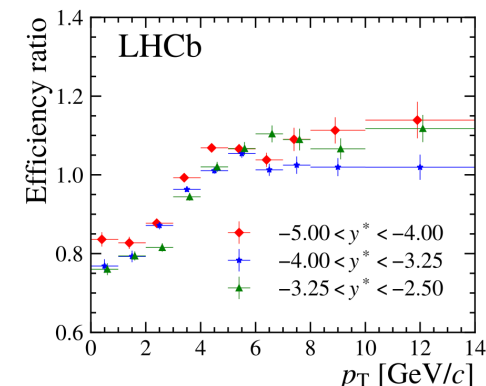
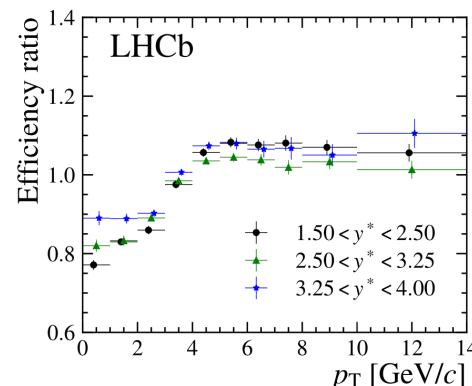
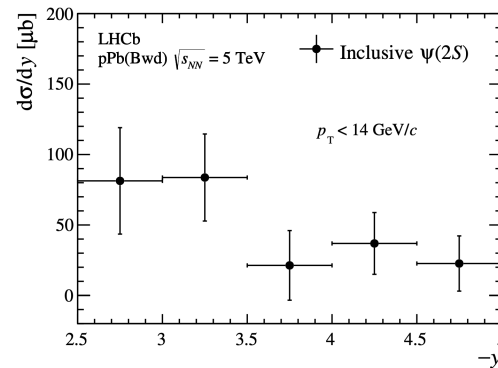
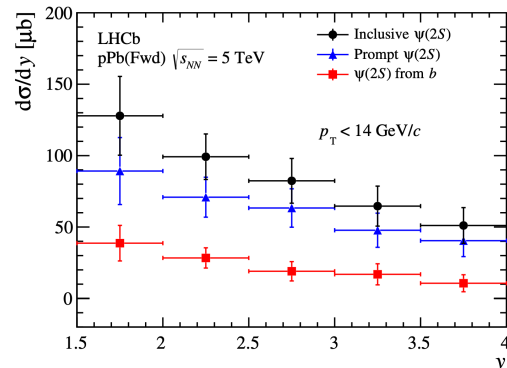


Forward



backward

$\psi(2S)$



J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ production in pPb collisions

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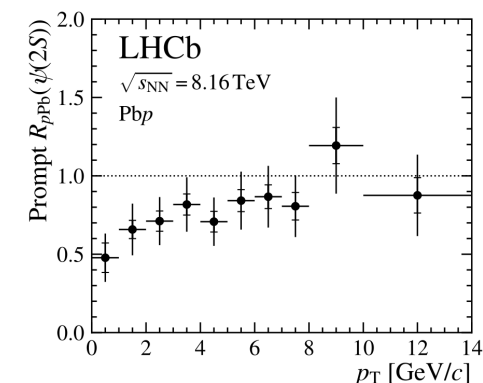
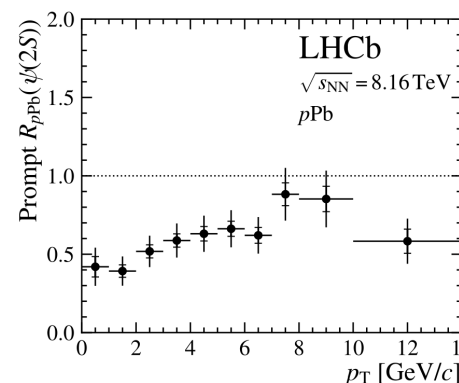
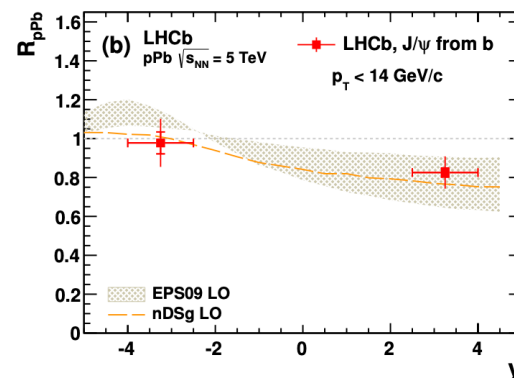
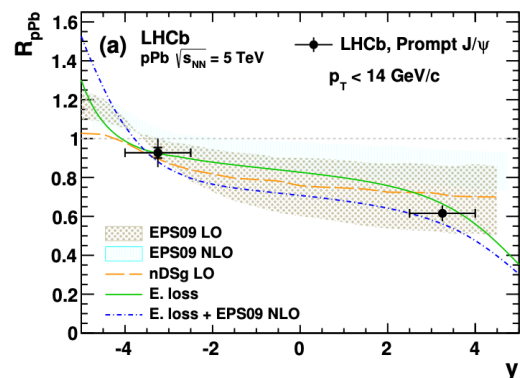
Nuclear modifications

pPb @ 5.02 TeV

pPb @ 8.16 TeV

J/ψ

$\psi(2S)$

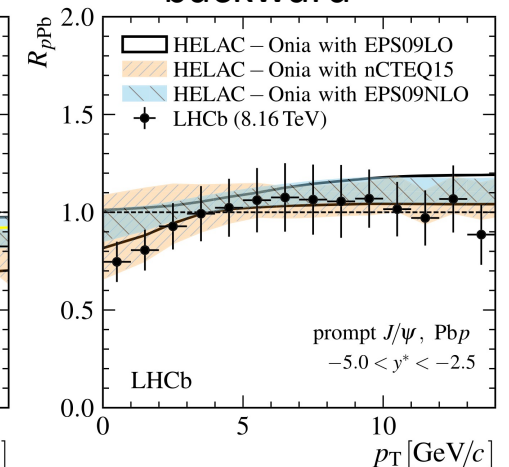
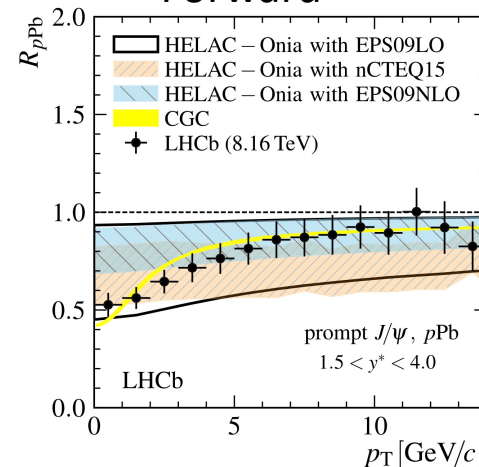
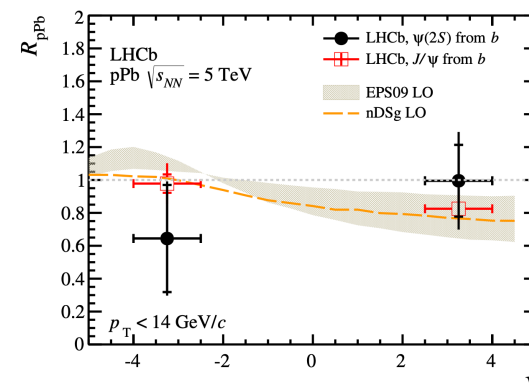
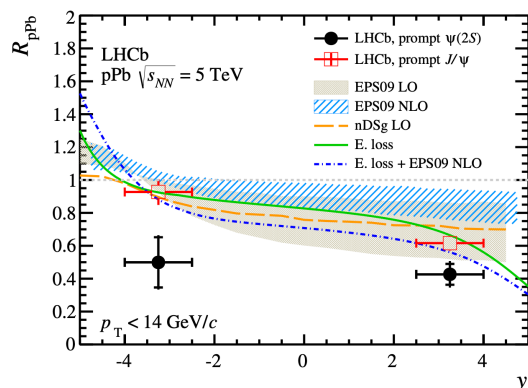


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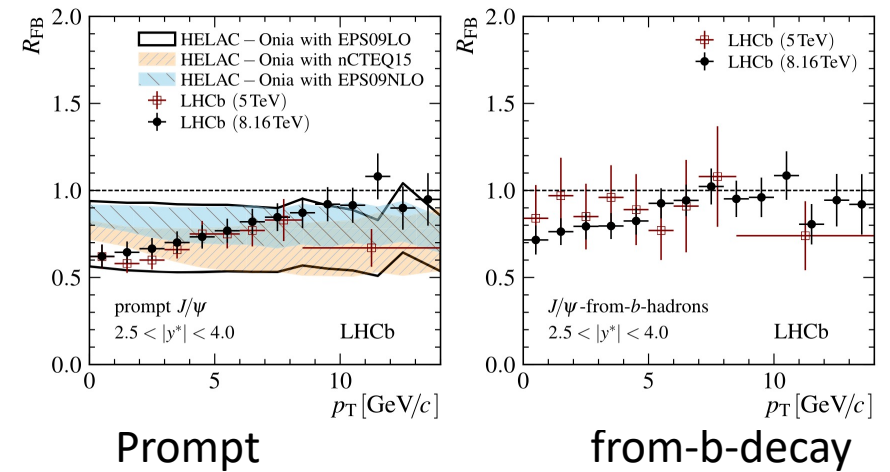
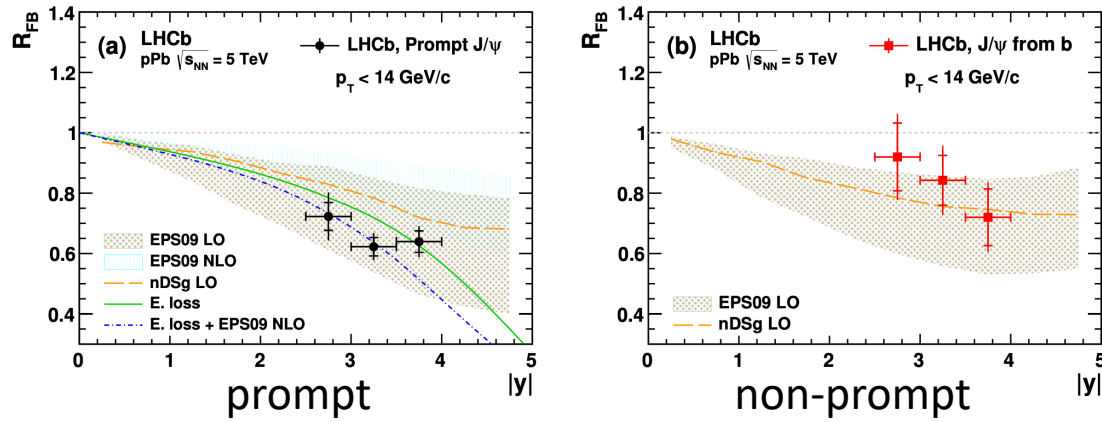
Forward-backward ratio:

pPb @ 5.02 TeV

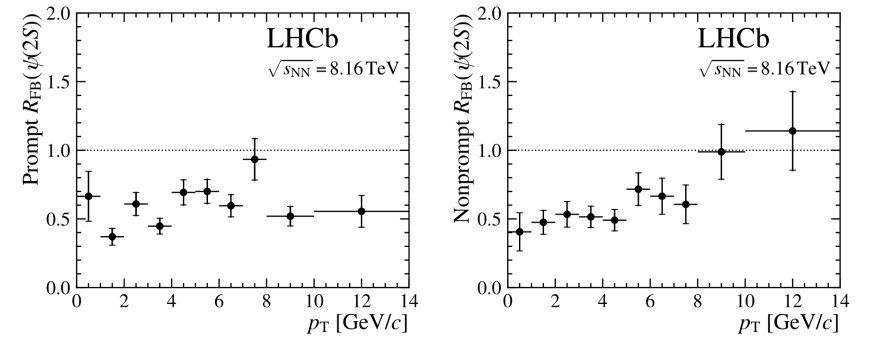
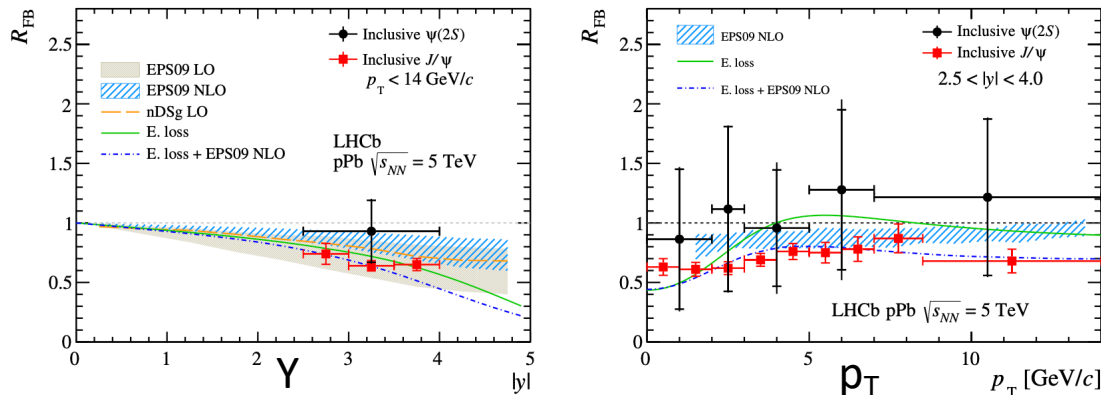
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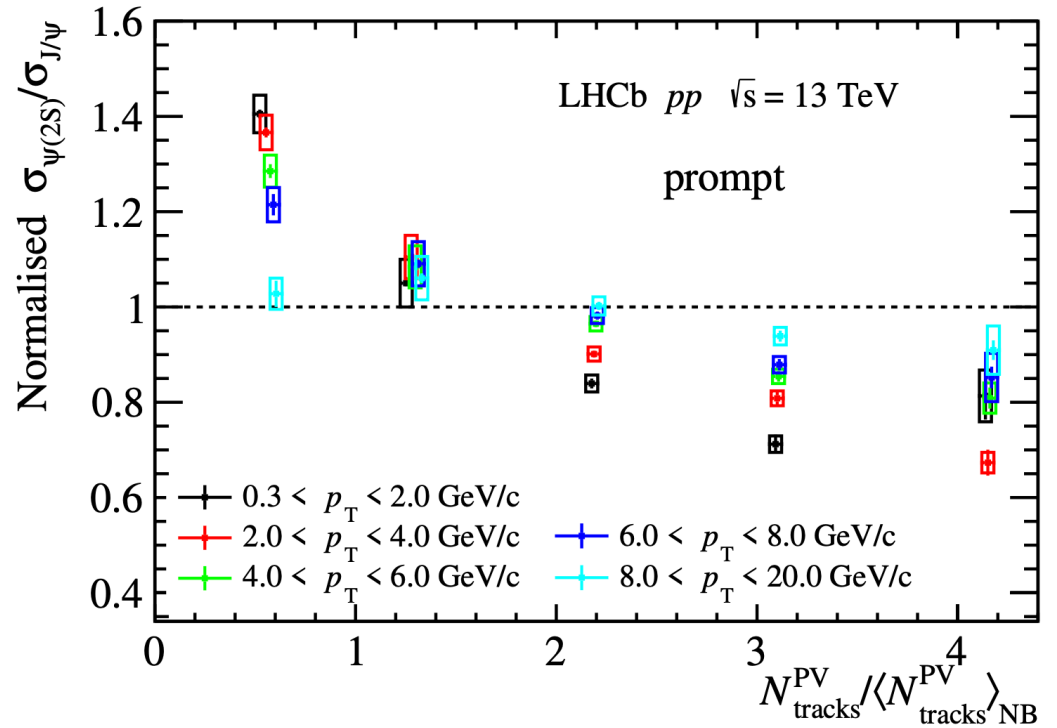
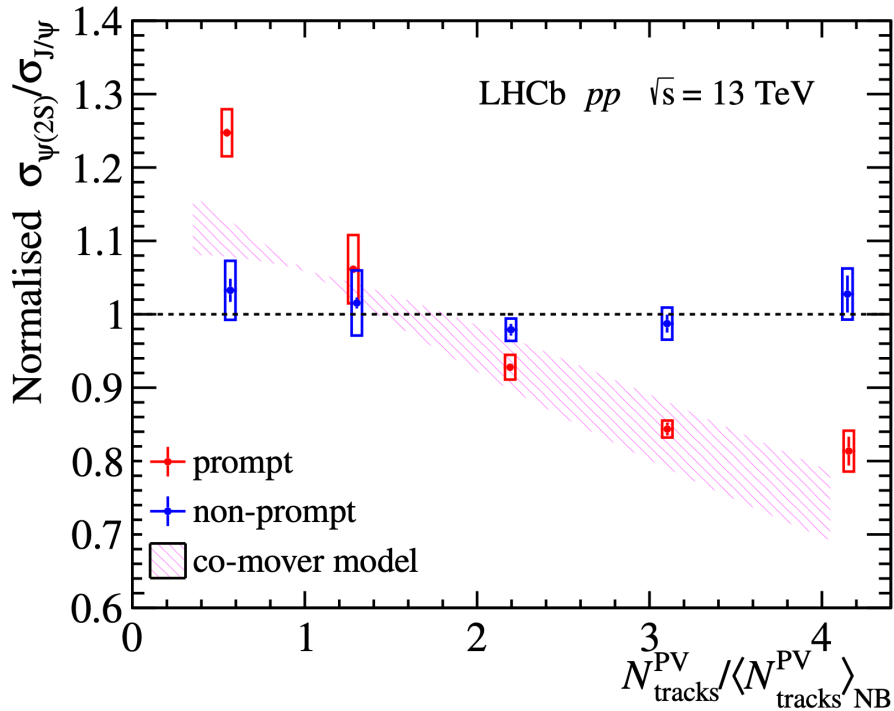
$\psi(2S)$



$\psi(2S)$ to J/ψ ratio in pp collisions

[JHEP 05 (2024) 243]

- Initial-state effects cancelled,
- Prompt ratio decrease with multiplicity, nonprompt independent on multiplicity.
- Larger dependence on multiplicity at low p_T .



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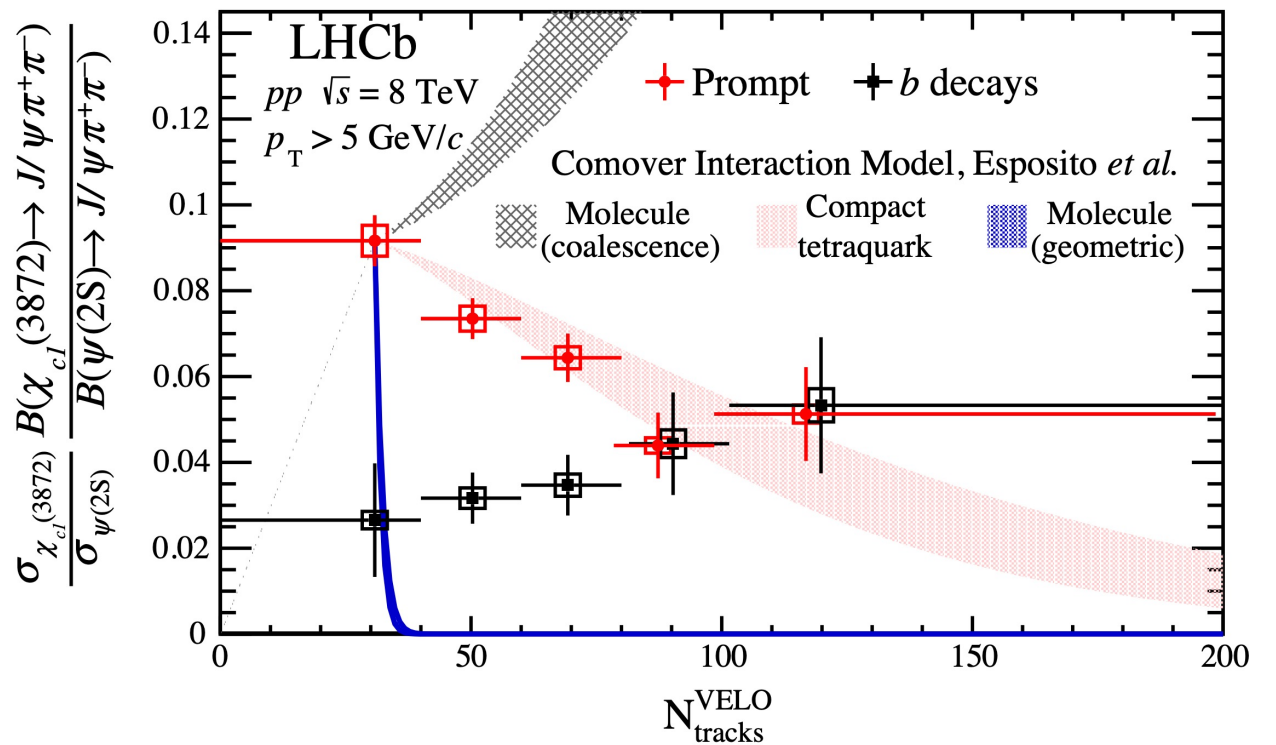
$\chi_{c1}(3872)$ to $\psi(2S)$ ratio in pp

- Prompt: Increasing suppression of $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ production relative to $\psi(2S)$ as event activity increases
- From-b-decay: No significant change in relative production, as expected for decays in vacuum. Ratio is set by b decay branching fractions.
- Compact tetraquark of size 1.3 fm gradually dissociated as multiplicity increases – consistent with data

$D^0 \bar{D}^*$ Molecule Compact tetraquark



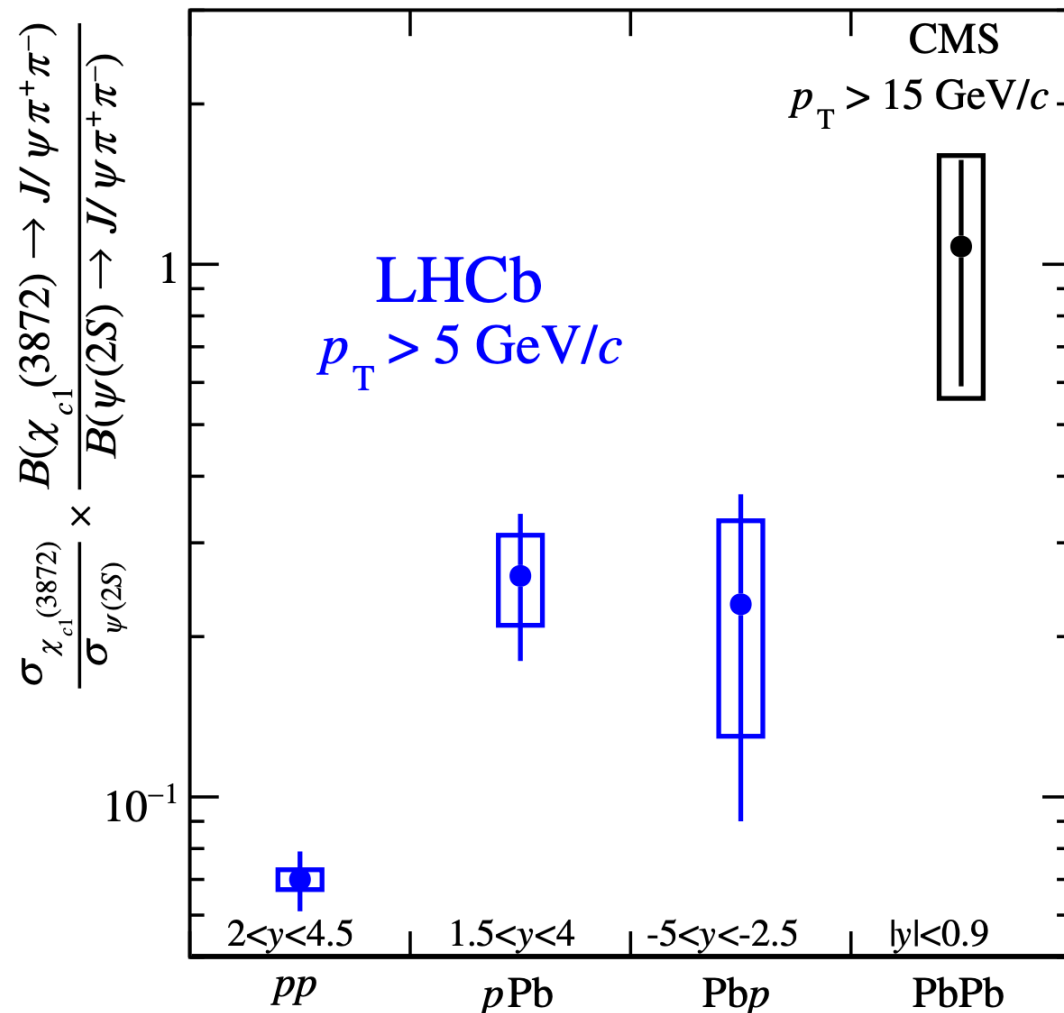
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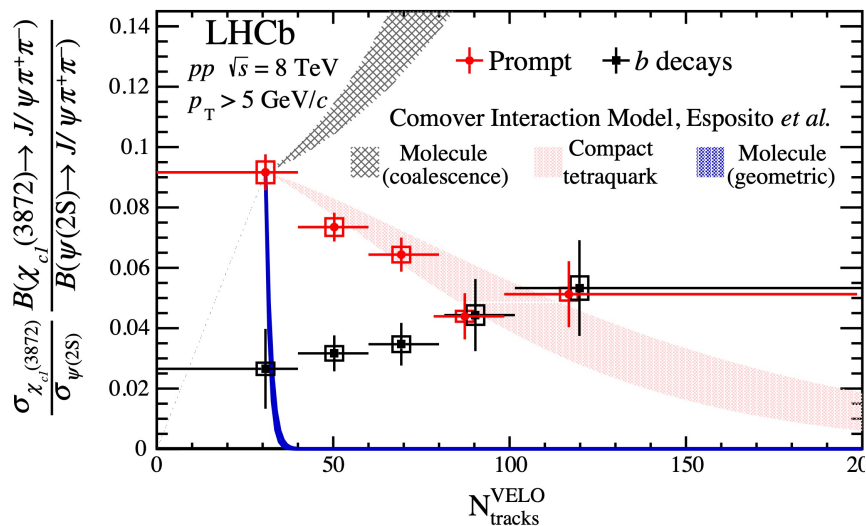
$\chi_{c1}(3872)$ to $\psi(2S)$ ratio in pPb

- $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ to $\psi(2S)$ ratio in pPb measured and compared with pp and CMS PbPb results
- Ratio increase with system sizes, but decrease with multiplicity in pp collisions, indicate coalescence is allowed to become the dominant mechanism towards large system
- The exotic $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ experiences different dynamics than conventional charmonium state $\psi(2S)$

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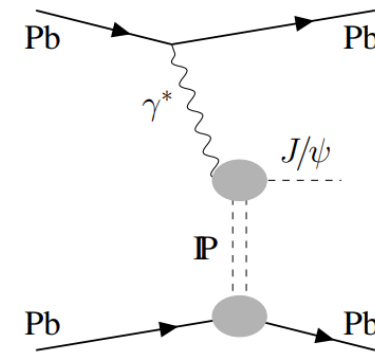
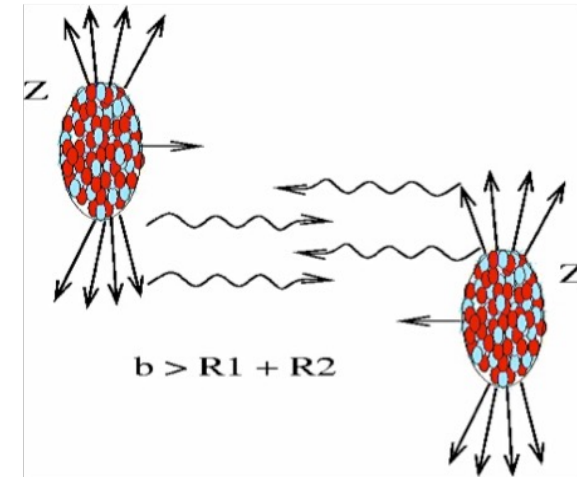
Rich photon-induced physics program at LHCb

- CEP J/ψ production in pp collisions has already been measured at LHCb at 7 TeV pp
- Focusing on the CEP charmonium production in 2018 PbPb collisions

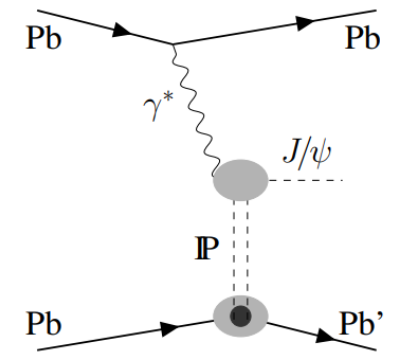
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Updated CEP J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ at 7 TeV	J. Phys. G41 (2014) 055002
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CEP J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ @ 13 TeV	JHEP 10 (2018) 167
CEP J/ψ @ 8.16 TeV 2015 PbPb UPC	JHEP 07 (2022) 117
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Photoproduction of charmonia

- **Ultra-peripheral collisions (UPC):** Two nuclei bypass each other with an impact parameter greater than the sum of their radii
- **Photon-induced interactions are enhanced by the strong electromagnetic field of the nucleus**
 - Coherent J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ production gives constraints on the gluon Probability Density Functions,
 - $(J/\psi) / \psi(2S)$ ratio measurement is helpful to constrain the choice of the vector meson wave function in dipole scattering models [e.g. PLB 772 (2017) 832, PRC (2011) 011902]



Coherent J/ψ production:
photon interact with the
whole nucleus coherently



Incoherent J/ψ production:
photon interact with particular
nucleons in the nucleus

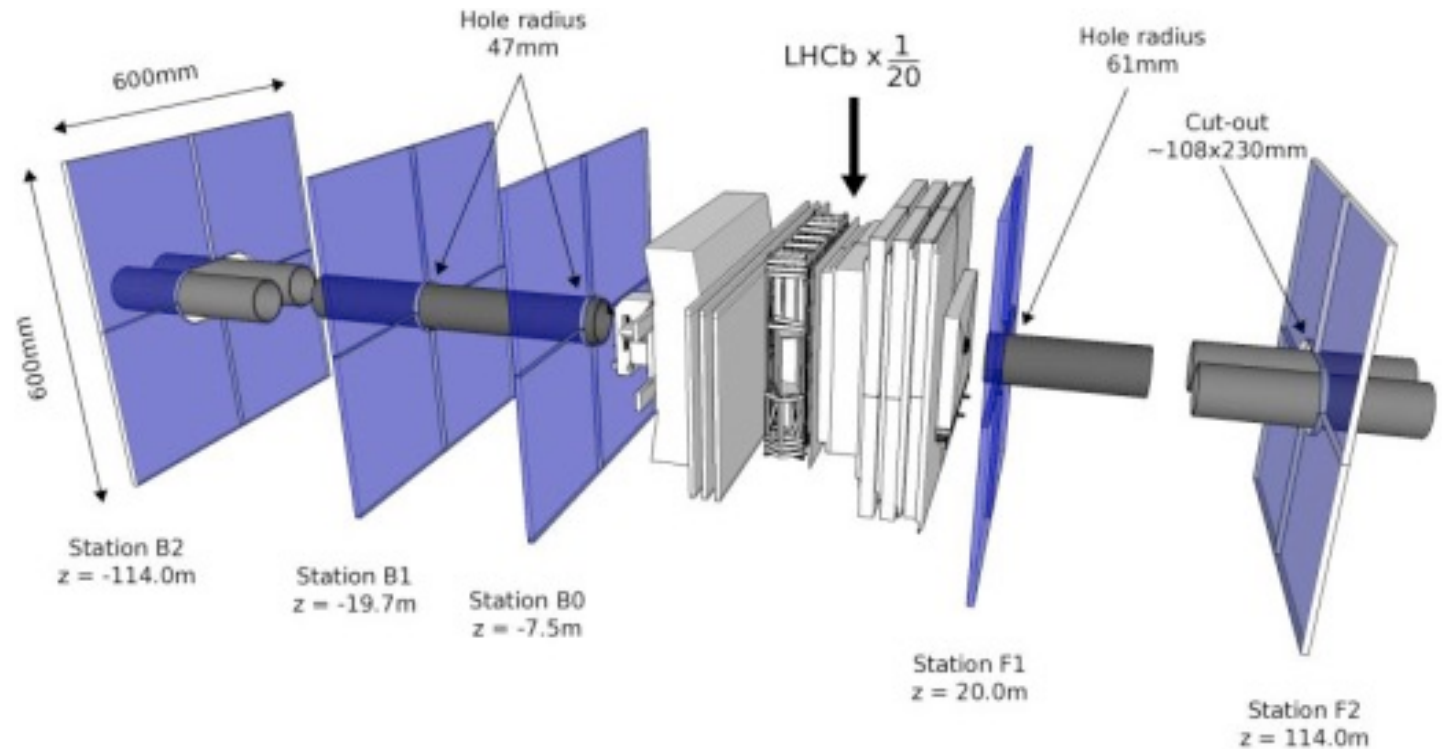
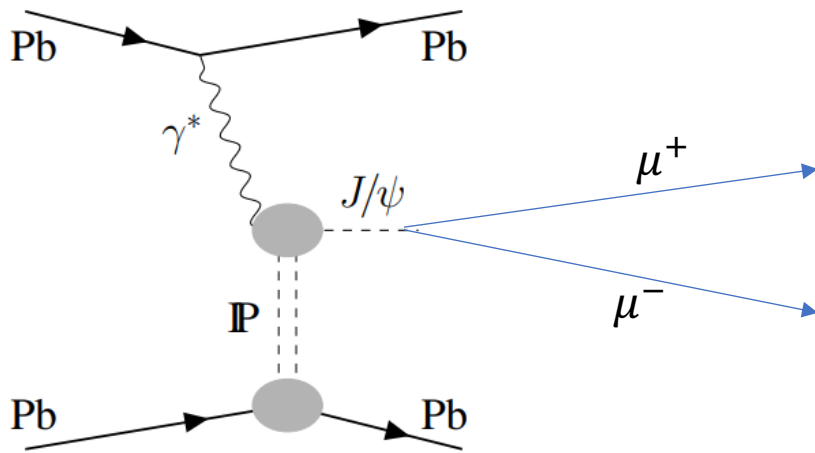
J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ in PbPb ultra-peripheral collisions

- Require a near empty detector with only two long tracks reconstructed, with acceptance cuts: [JHEP 06 (2023) 146]

$$2.0 < \eta^\mu < 4.5, p_T^\mu > 700\text{MeV},$$

$$p_T^{\mu\mu} < 1\text{GeV}, |\Delta\phi_{\mu\mu}| > 0.9\pi$$

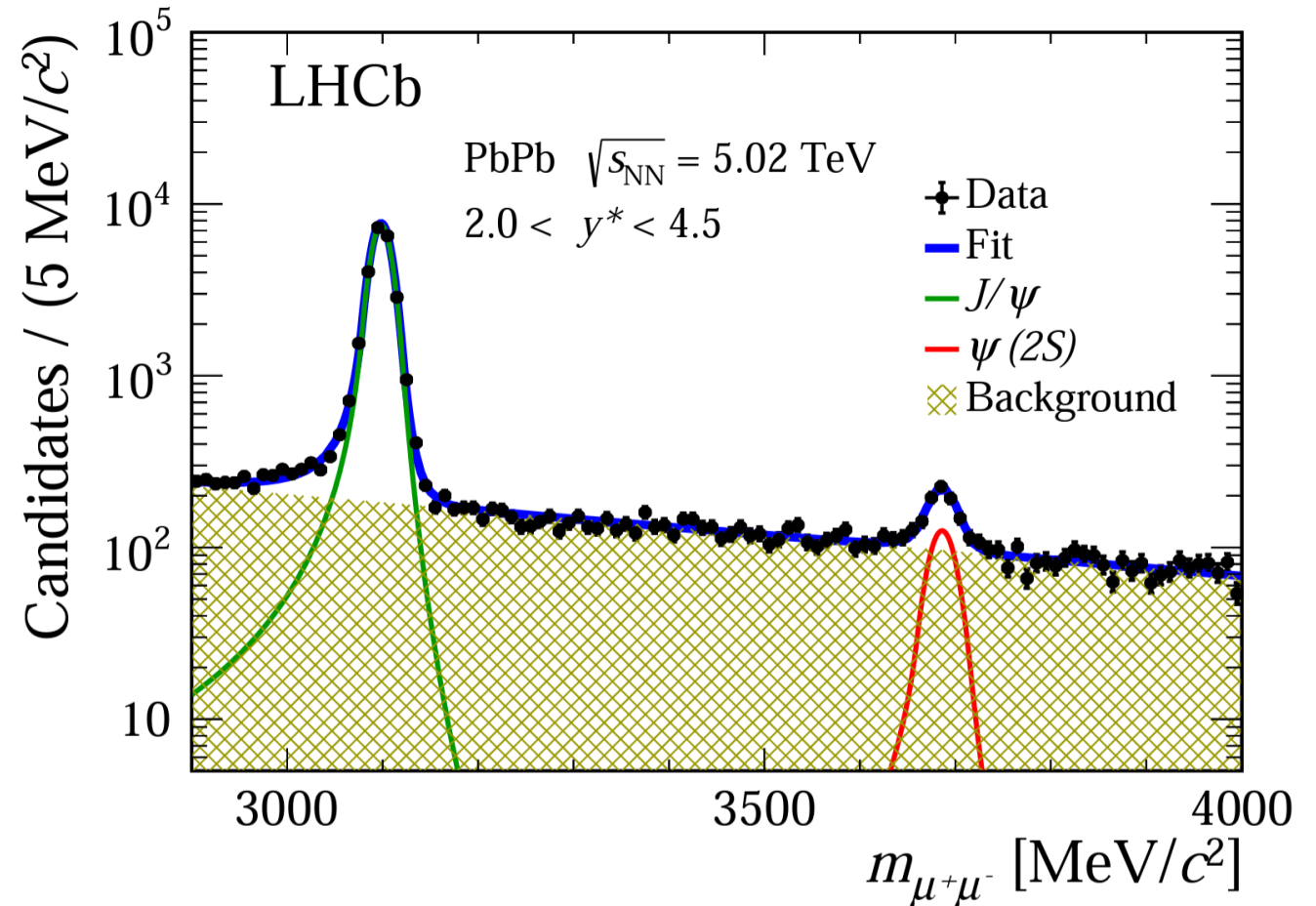
- HERSCHEL** detector [JINST 13 (2018) 04 P04017] is used to further purify the selection



Signal extraction (1)

- Charmonia yields are extracted from dimuon mass fit

- Double sided crystal ball function for the J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ signals
- Exponential for the non-resonance background (mainly $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu\mu$ process)

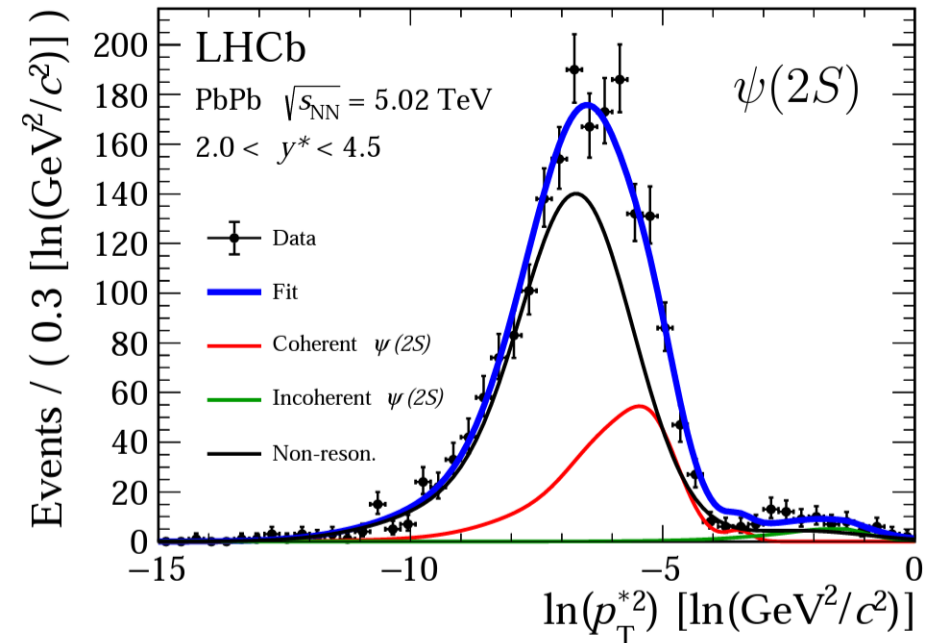
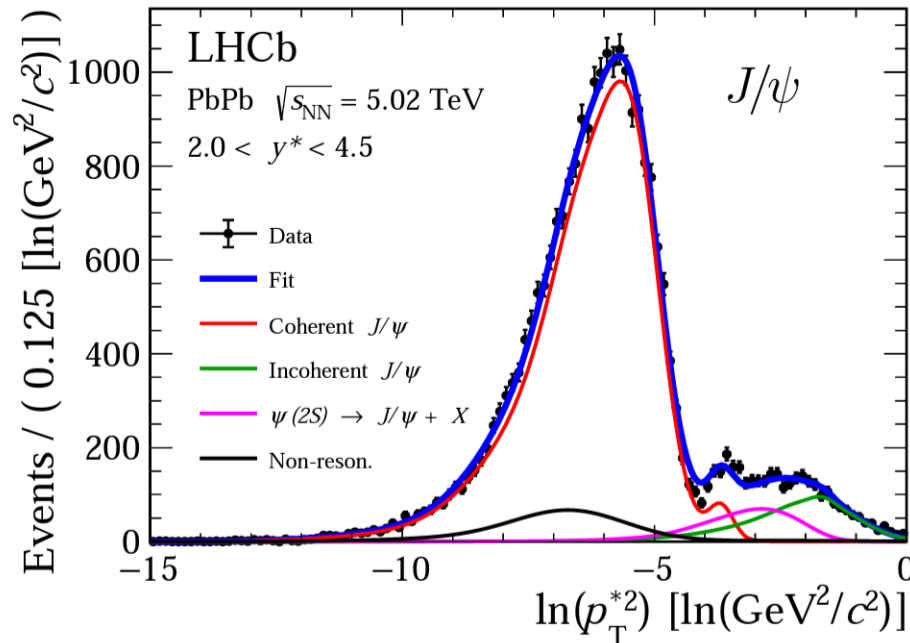


Signal extraction (2)

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- **Coherent production signal is extracted from a $\ln(p_T^{*2})$ fit**
 - Coherent, incoherent, and feed-down shapes modelled using STARLight + EvtGen + PHOTOS + GEANT4 Simulation
 - Non-resonance shapes determined from data side-band

$\ln(p_T^{*2})$ fit



J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ in PbPb ultra-peripheral collisions

[JHEP 06 \(2023\) 146](#)

- **Integrated cross-section and ratio (most precise measurements in the forward region at the moment):**

$$\sigma_{J/\psi}^{\text{coh}} = 5.965 \pm 0.059(\text{stat}) \pm 0.232(\text{syst}) \pm 0.262(\text{lumi}) \text{ mb},$$

$$\sigma_{\psi(2S)}^{\text{coh}} = 0.923 \pm 0.086(\text{stat}) \pm 0.028(\text{syst}) \pm 0.040(\text{lumi}) \text{ mb},$$

$$\sigma_{J/\psi}^{\text{coh}} / \sigma_{\psi(2S)}^{\text{coh}} = 0.155 \pm 0.014(\text{stat}) \pm 0.003(\text{syst}).$$

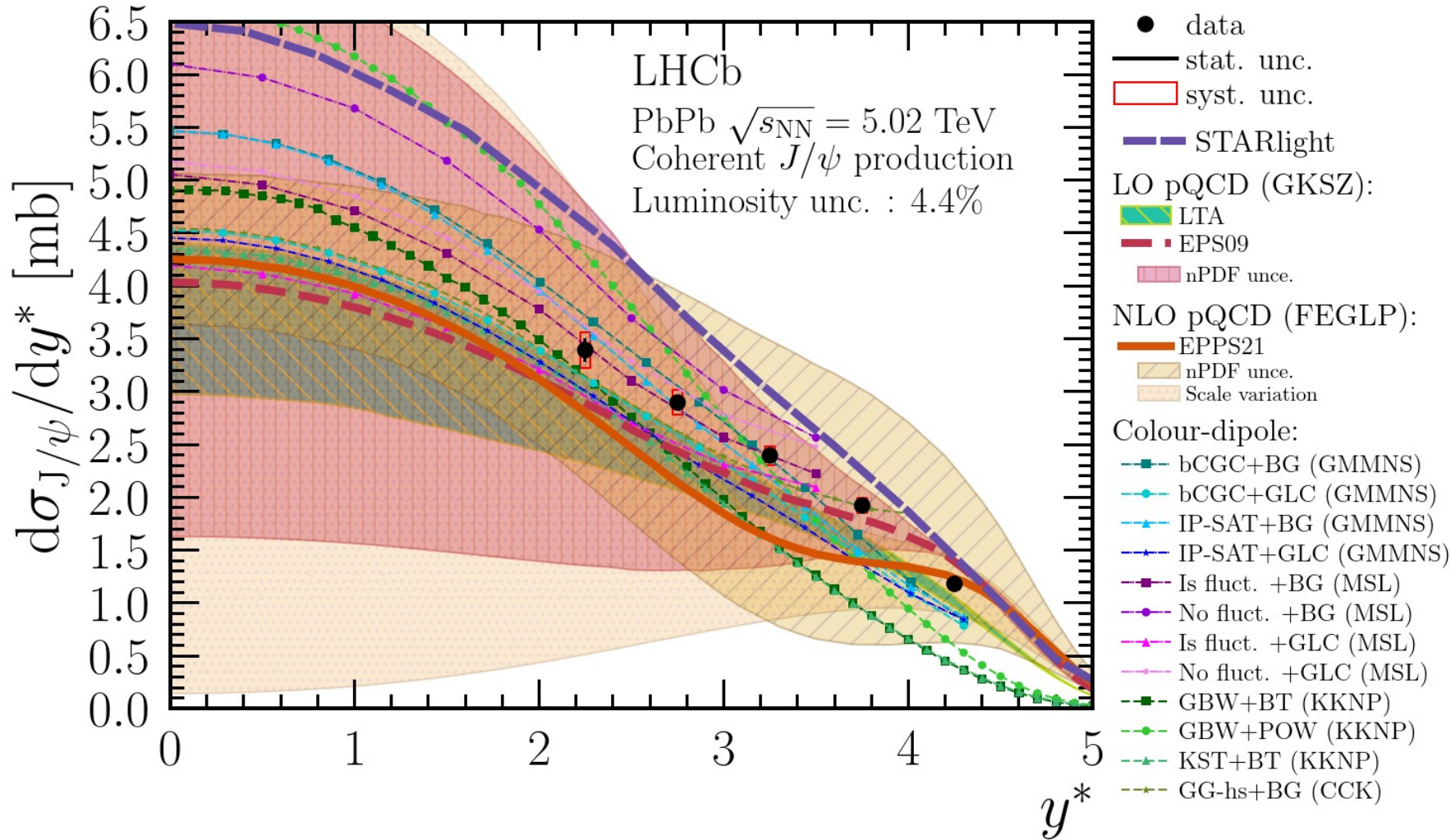
- **Systematic uncertainties:**

Source	Relative uncertainty [%]	
	$\sigma_{J/\psi}^{\text{coh}}$	$\sigma_{\psi(2S)}^{\text{coh}}$
Tracking efficiency	0.5–2.0	0.5–2.0
PID efficiency	0.9–1.6	0.9–1.6
Trigger efficiency	2.7–3.7	2.1–2.5
HERSCHEL efficiency	1.4	1.4
Background estimation	1.2	1.2
Signal shape	0.04	0.04
Momentum resolution	0.9–34	1.3–27
Branching fraction	0.6	2.1
Luminosity	4.4	4.4

J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ in PbPb ultra-peripheral collisions

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- The most precise coherent J/ψ production measurement in PbPb UPC in forward rapidity to date
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 - Color-dipole models: draw different model tuning options as theoretical variations



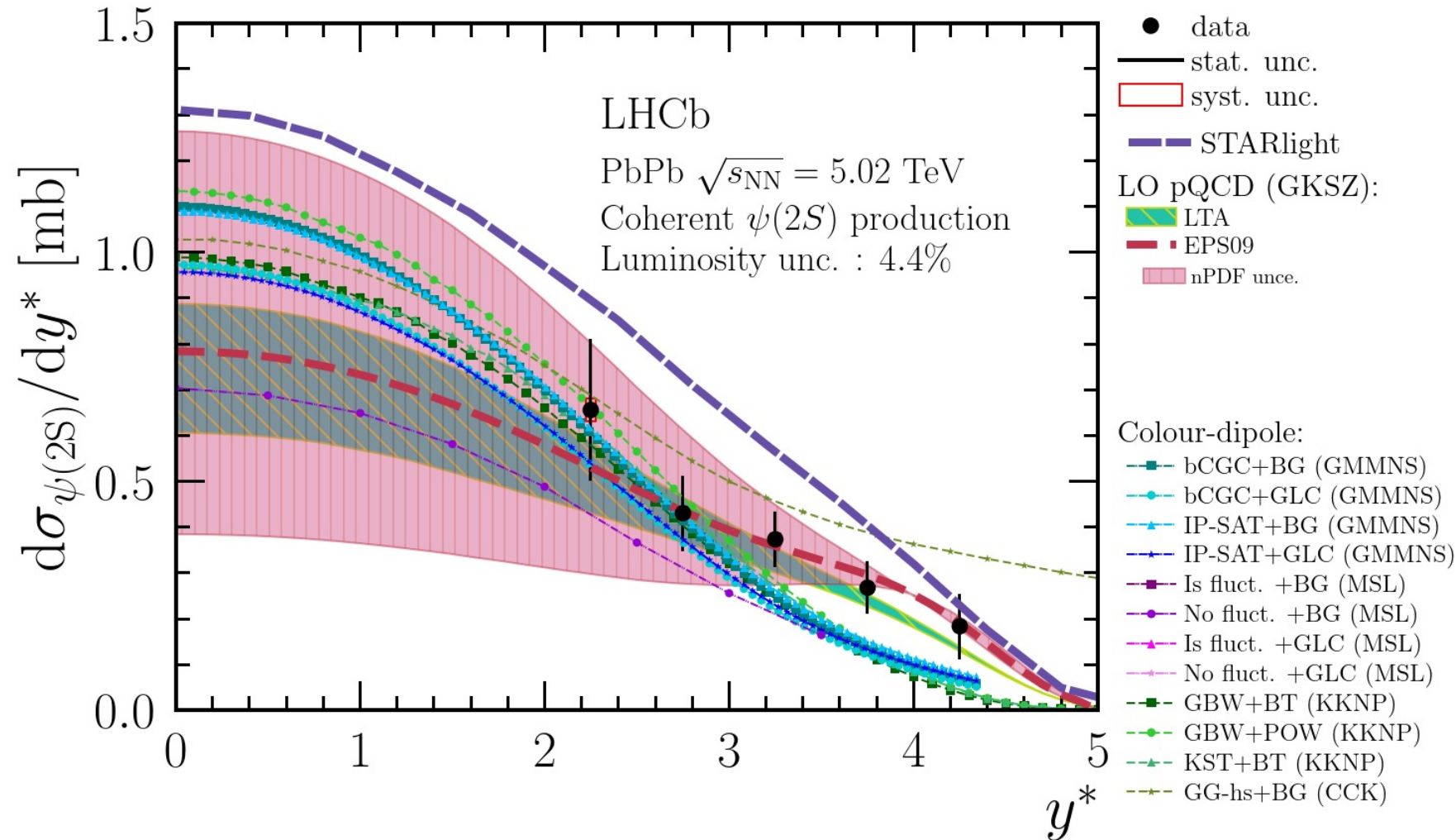
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- The **first coherent $\psi(2S)$ measurement** in forward rapidity at the LHC

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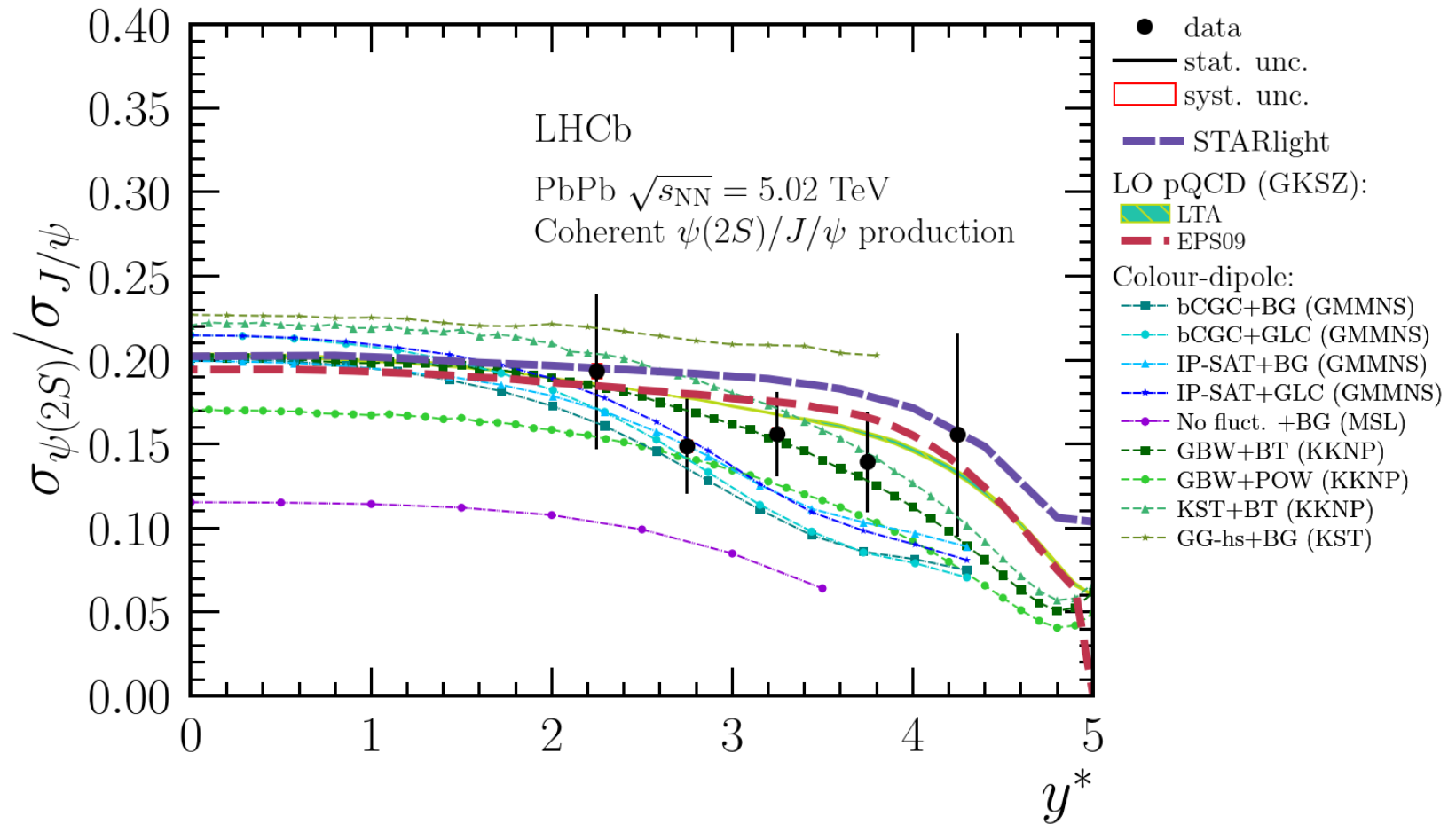
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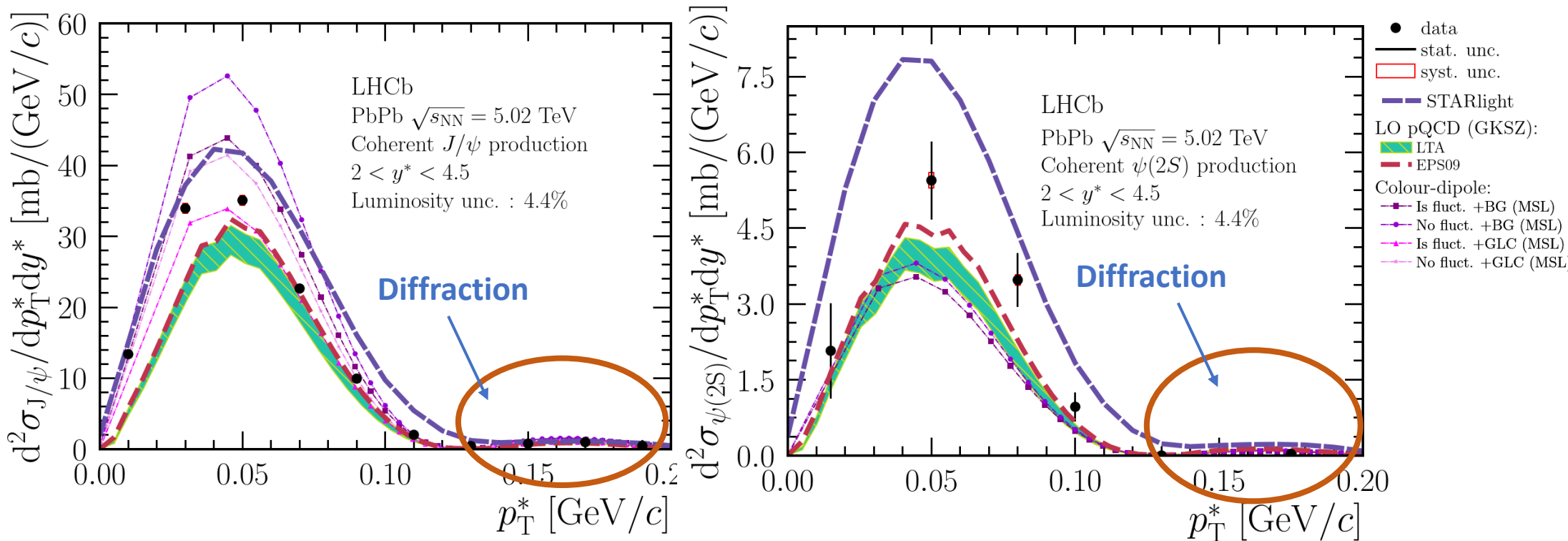
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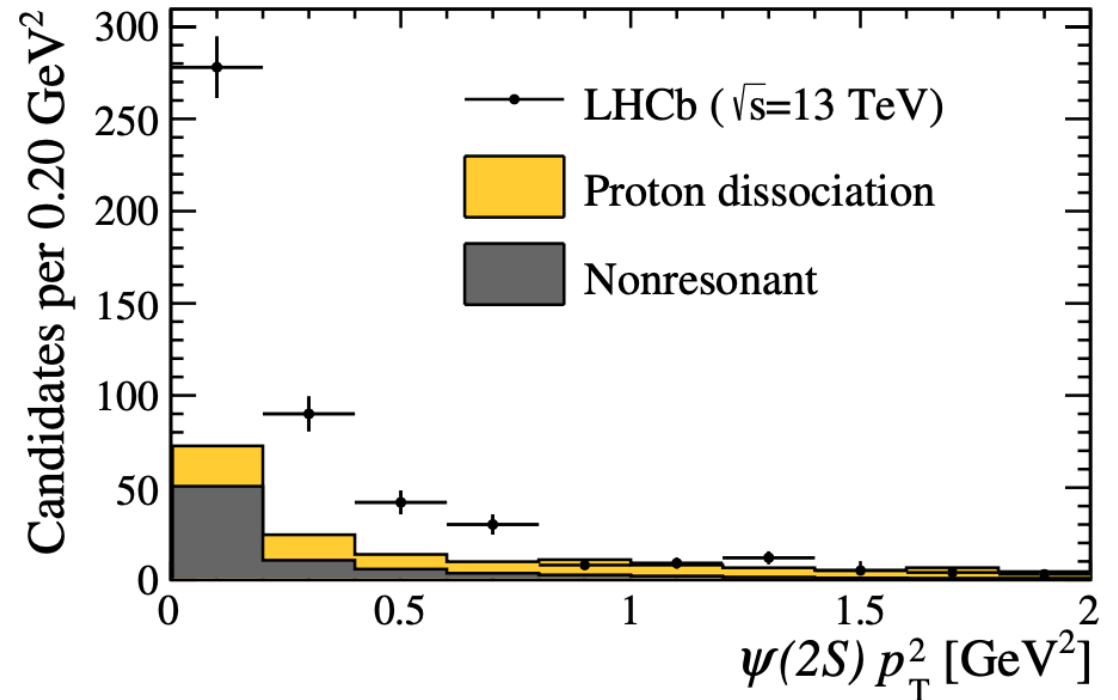
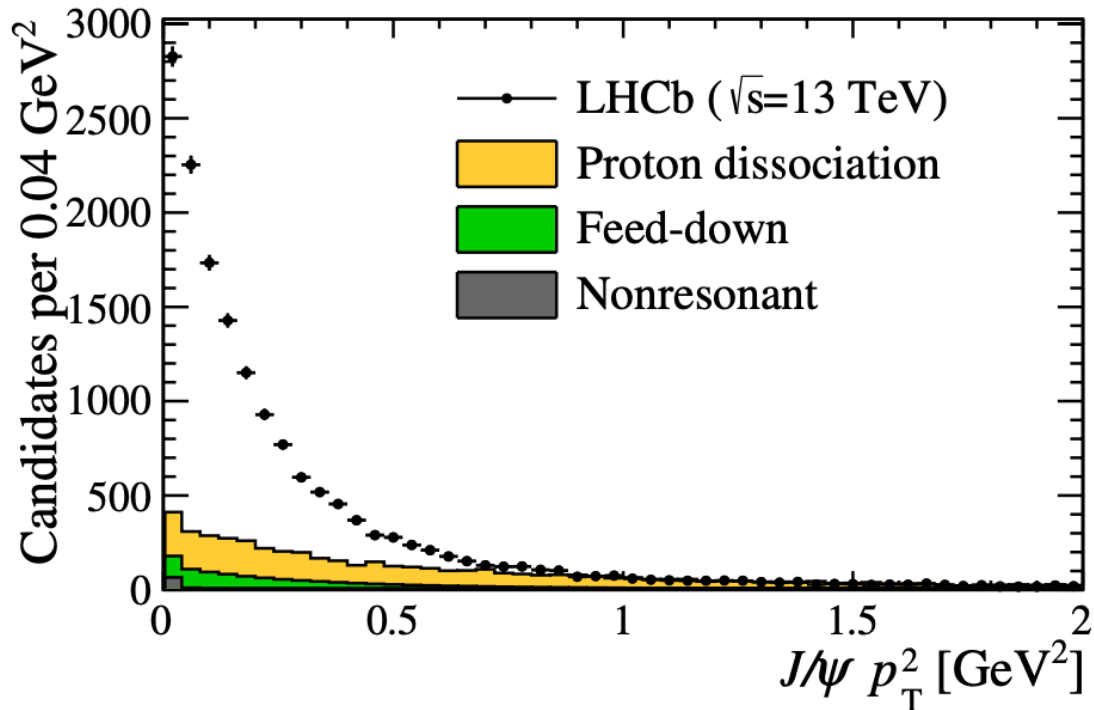


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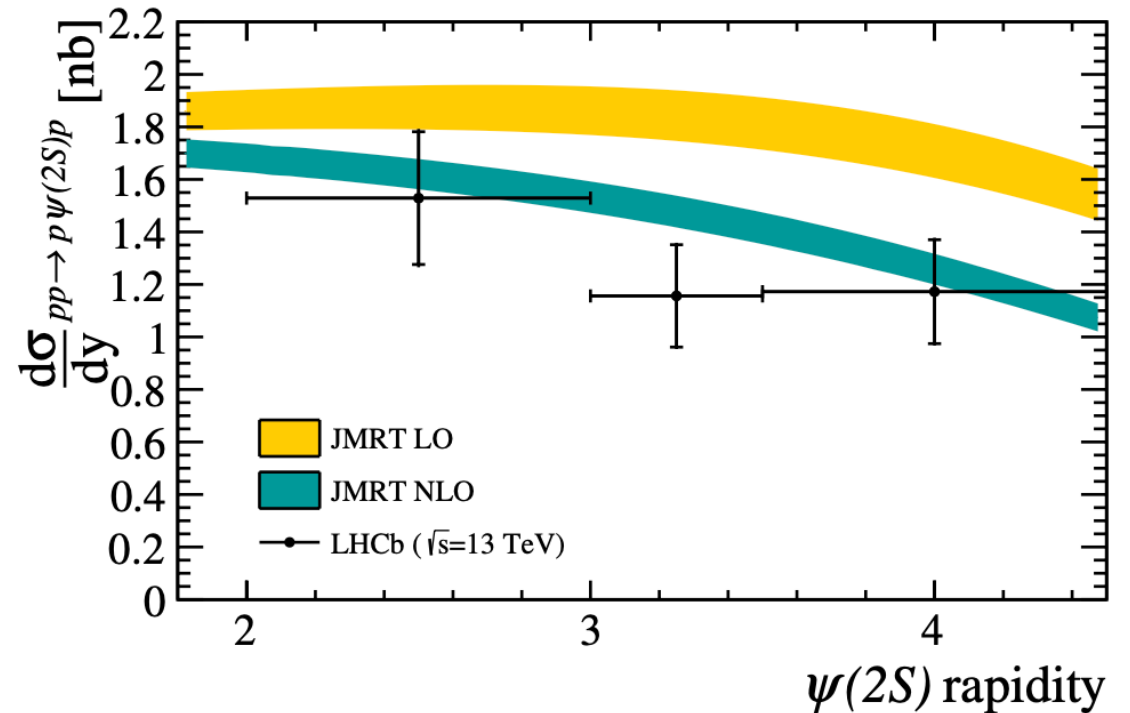
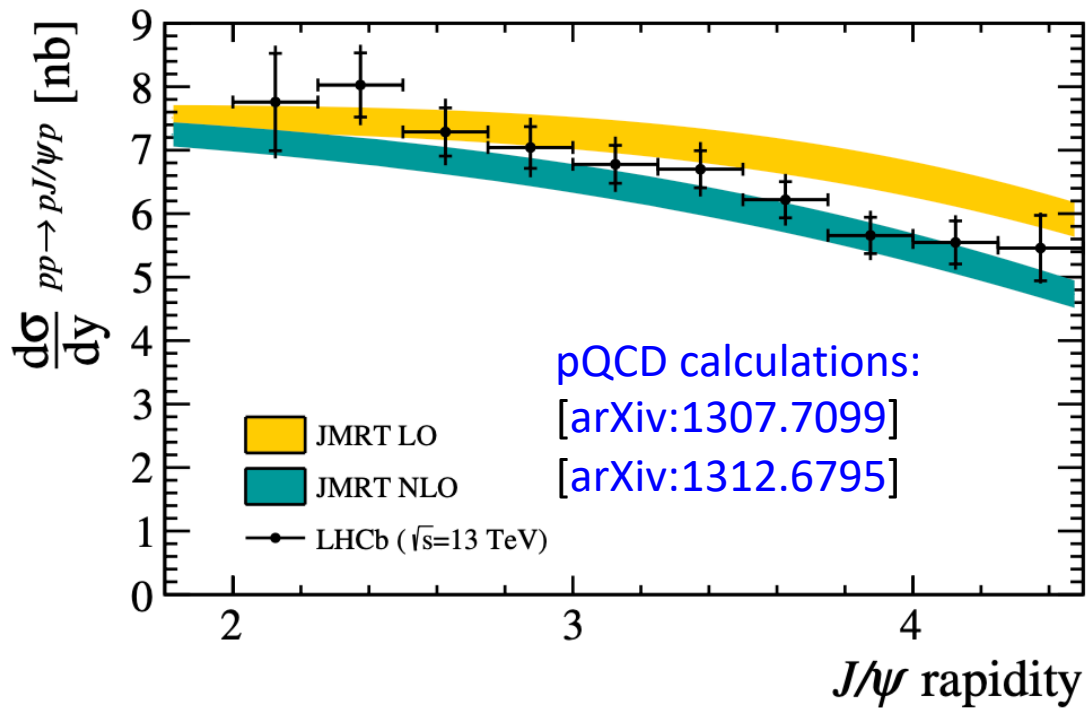
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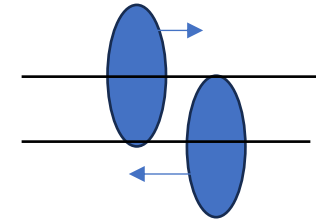
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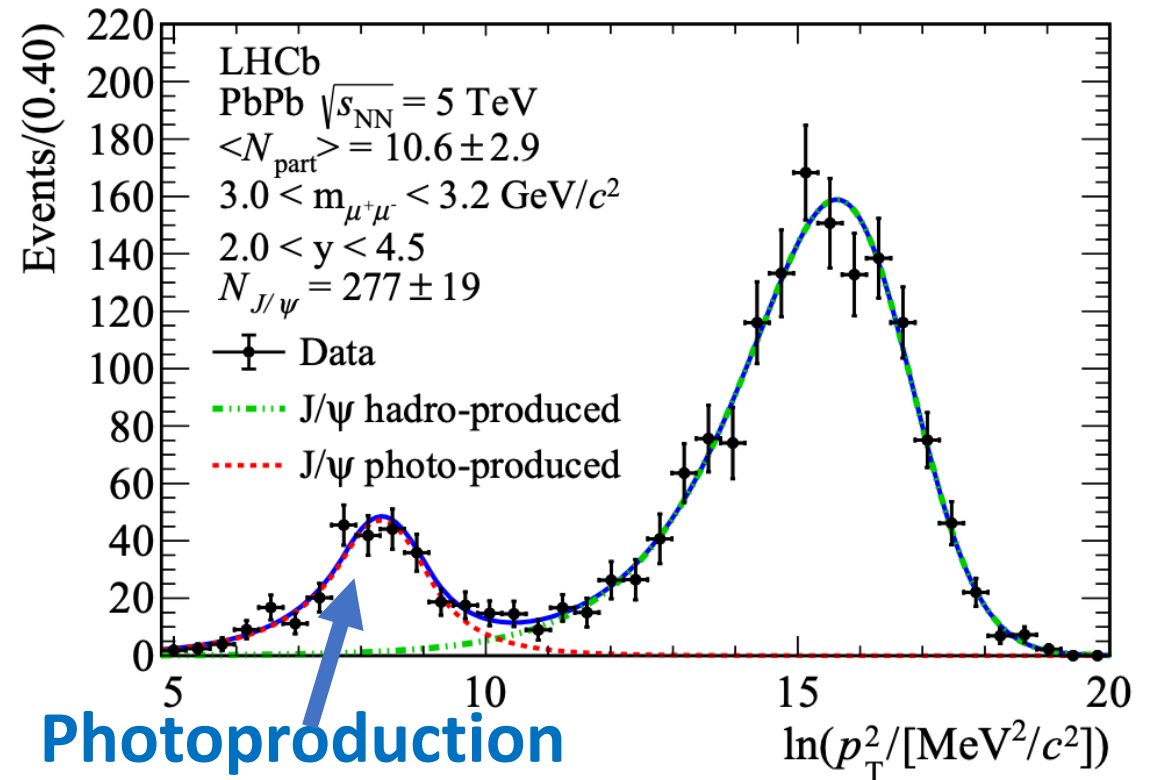
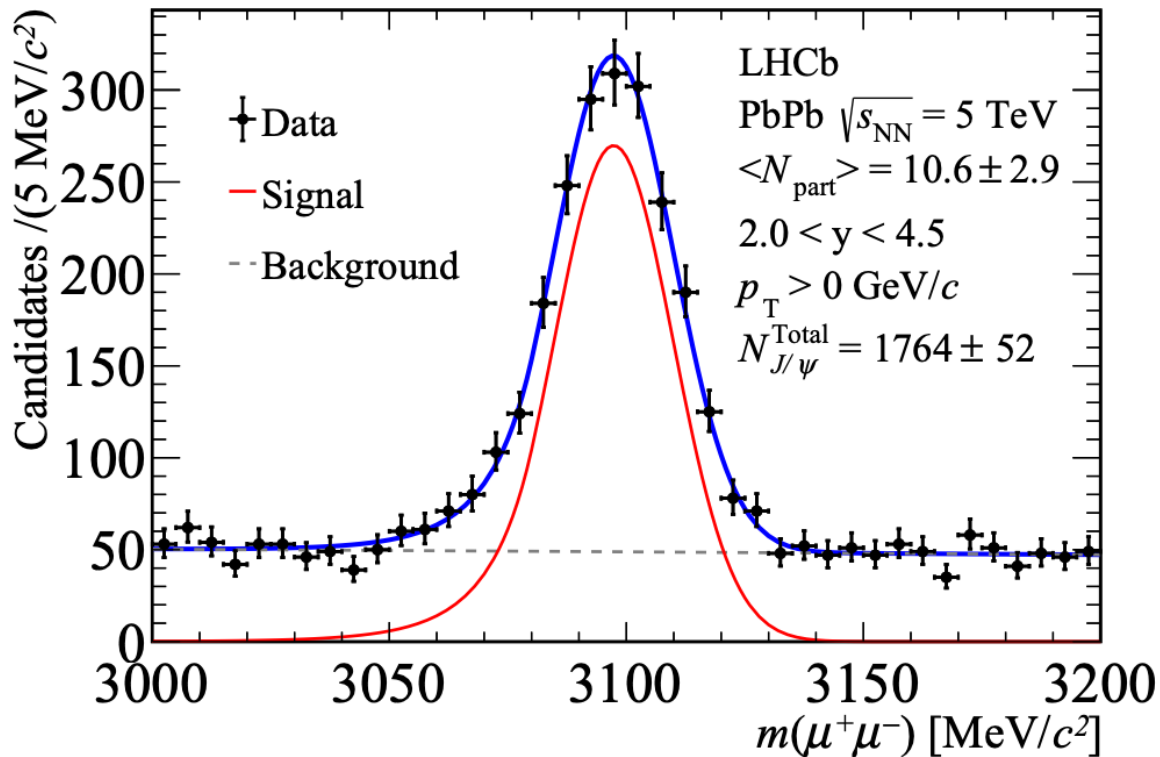


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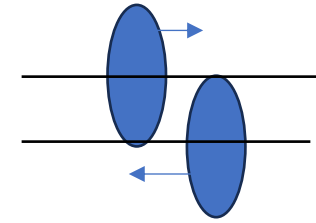


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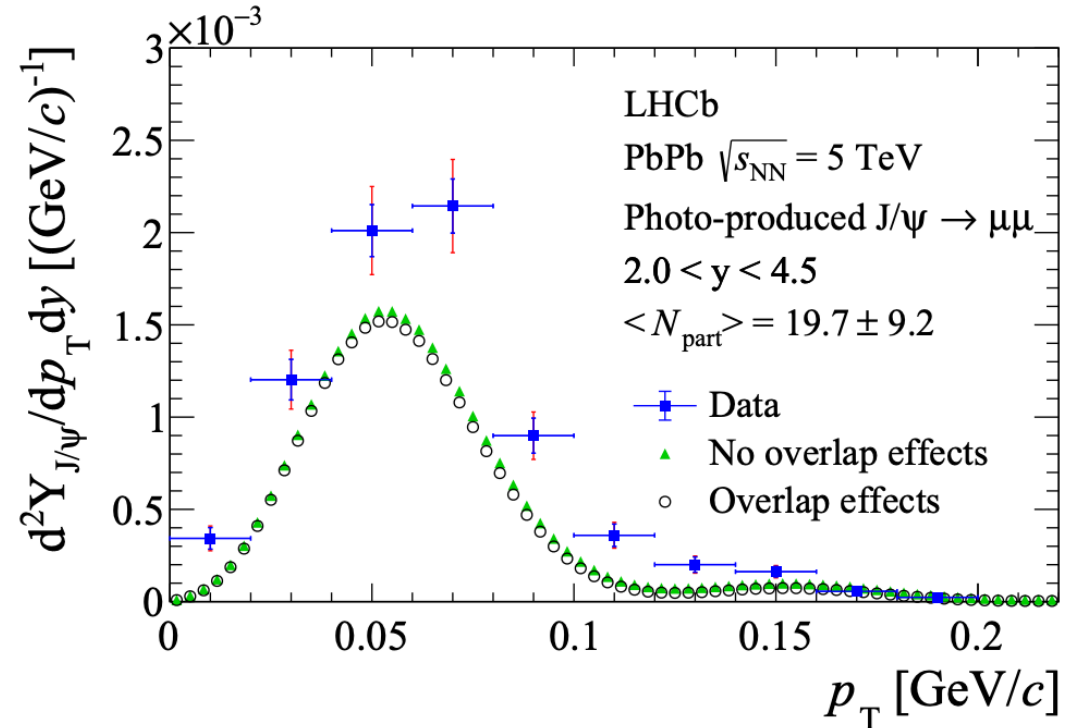
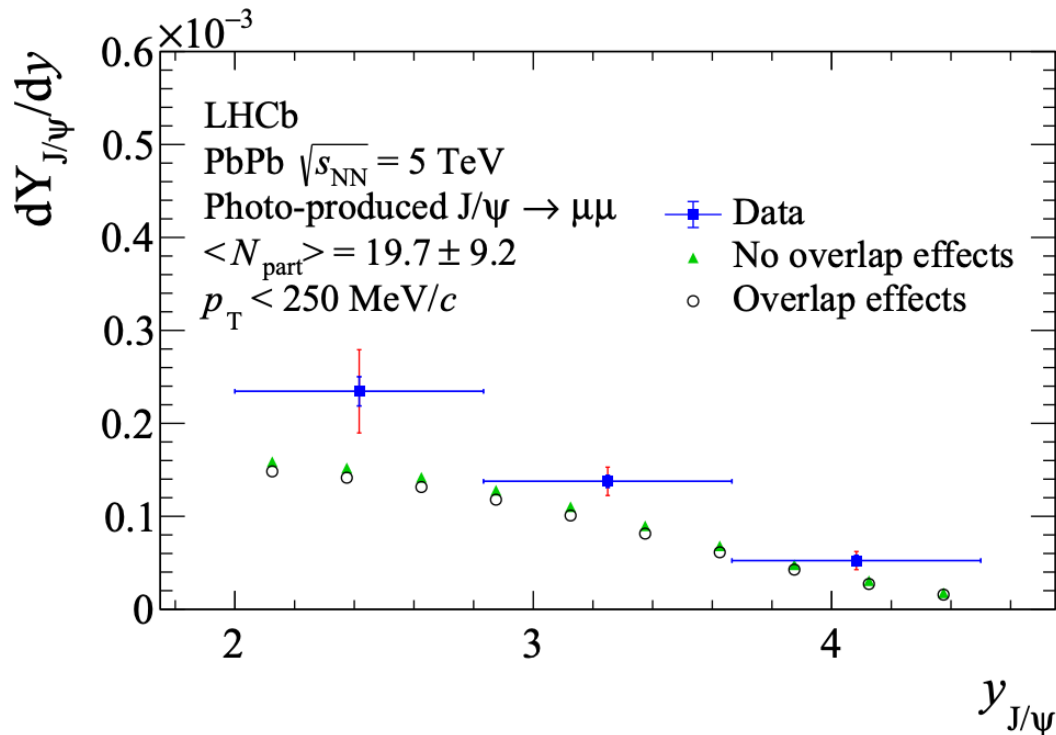


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LHCb charmonia results in heavy ion collisions

- **Probe nuclear matter effects:**

- J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ production in pPb @ 5.02 TeV and 8.16 TeV:
 - @ 5.02 TeV: J/ψ [[JHEP 02 \(2014\) 72](#)], $\psi(2S)$ [[JHEP 03 \(2016\) 133](#)],
 - @ 8.16 TeV: J/ψ [[Phys. Lett. B774 \(2017\) 159](#)], $\psi(2S)$ [[JHEP 04 \(2024\) 111](#)],
- $\psi(2S)$ to J/ψ ratio in pp @ 13 TeV: [[JHEP 05 \(2024\) 243](#)]

- **Probe nature of $\chi_{c1}(3872)$:**

- $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ to $\psi(2S)$ ratio in pp: [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 126 \(2021\) 092001](#)],
- $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ to $\psi(2S)$ ratio in pPb @8.16 TeV: [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 132 \(2024\) 242301](#)]

- **Photoproduction:**

- J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ in PbPb ultra-peripheral collisions: [[JHEP 06 \(2023\) 146](#)]
- J/ψ in PbPb peripheral collisions: [[Phys. Rev. C105 \(2022\) L032201](#)]
- J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ in pp central exclusive production: [[JHEP 10 \(2018\) 167](#)]

- **Fixed target results:**

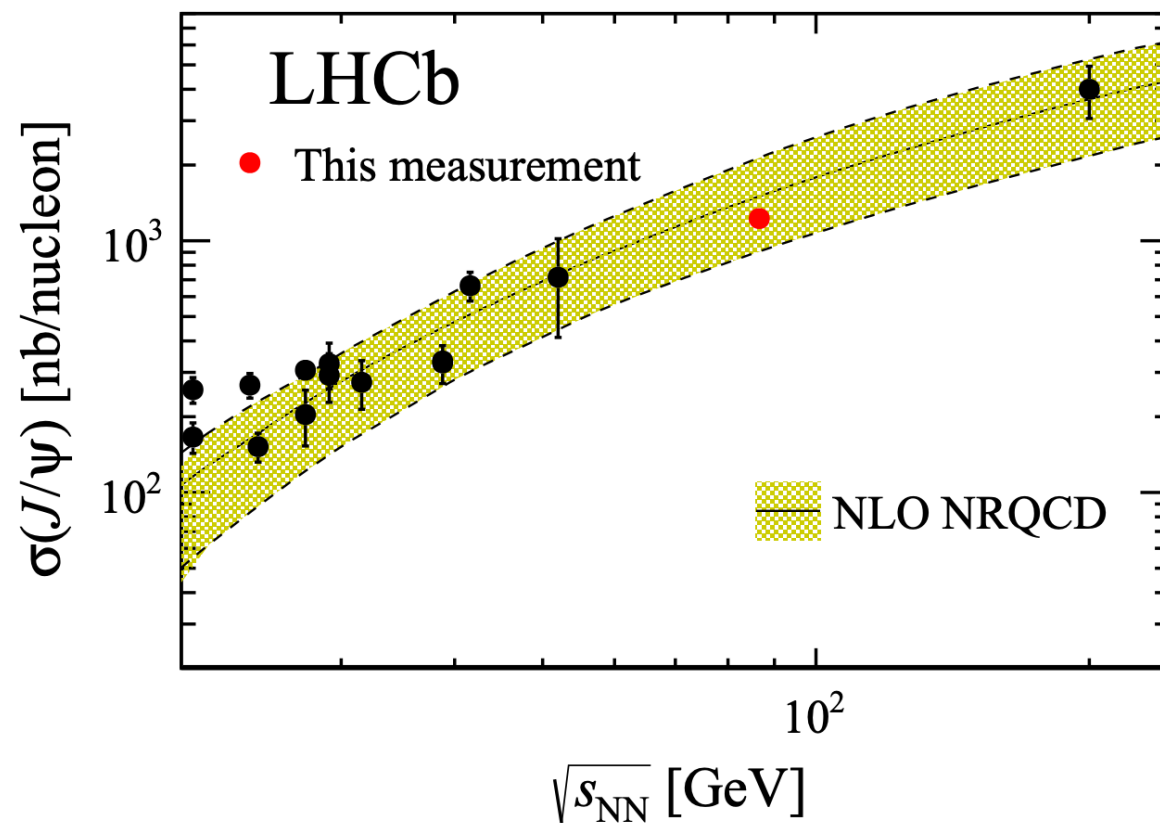
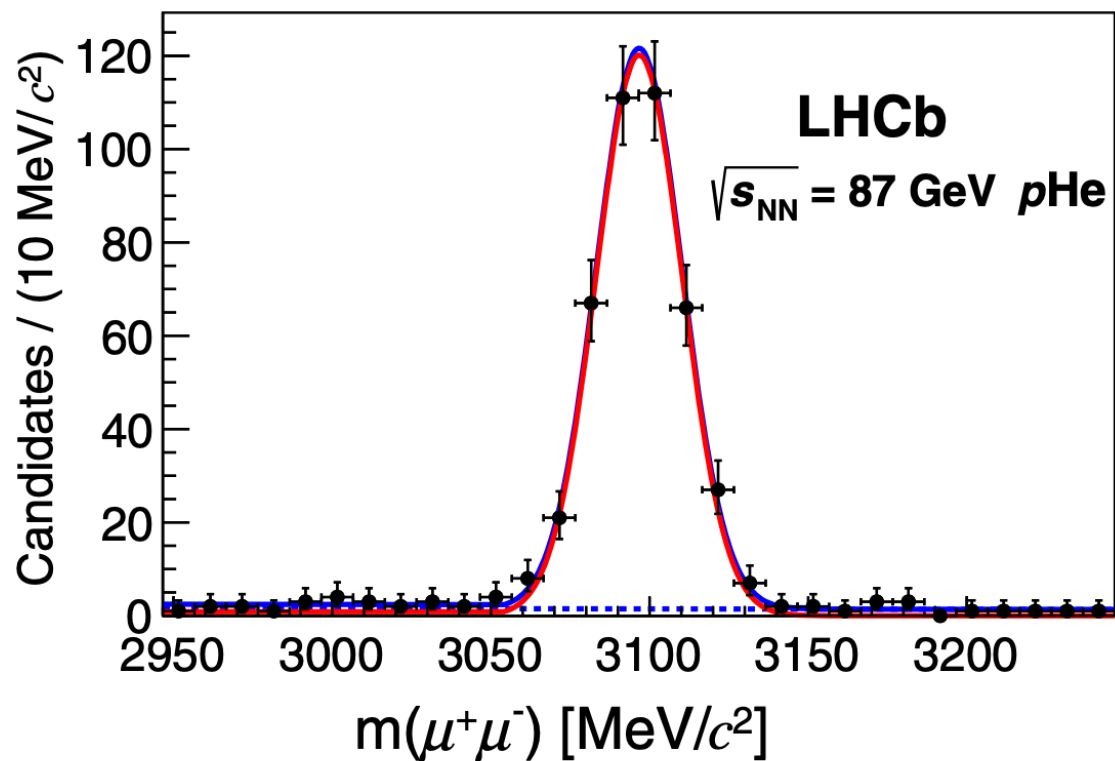
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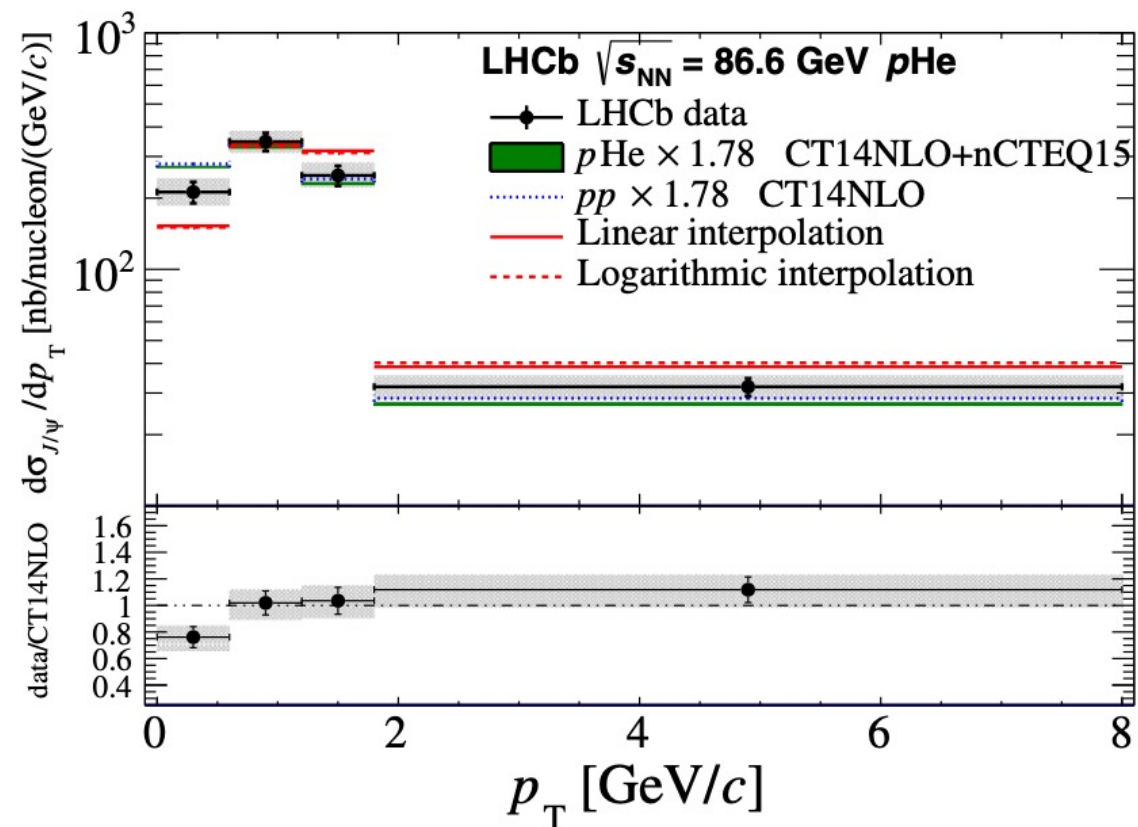
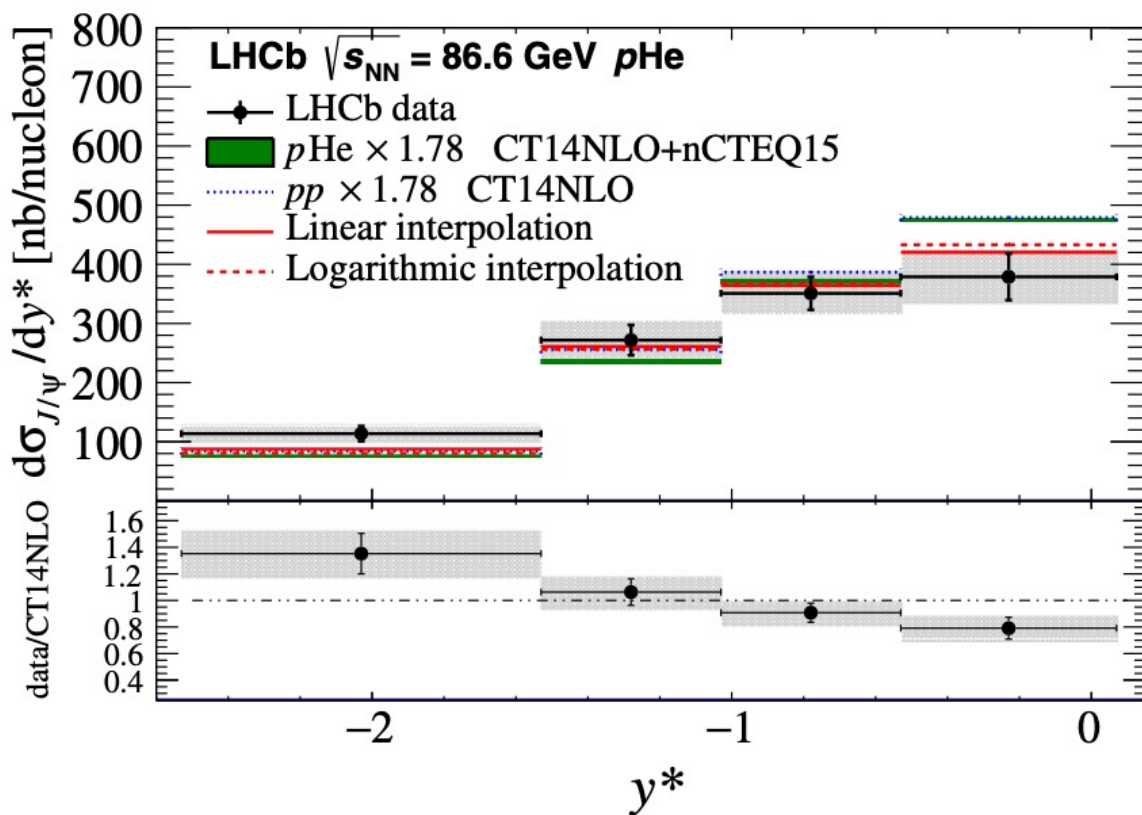
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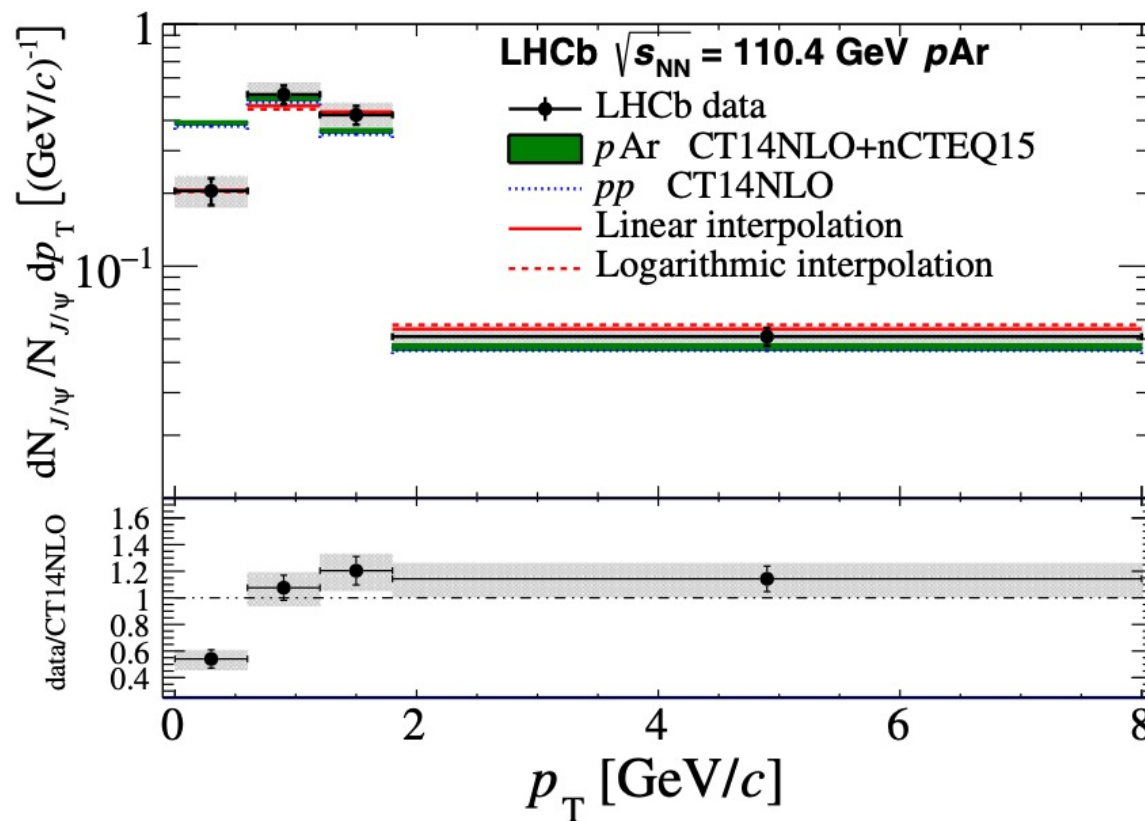
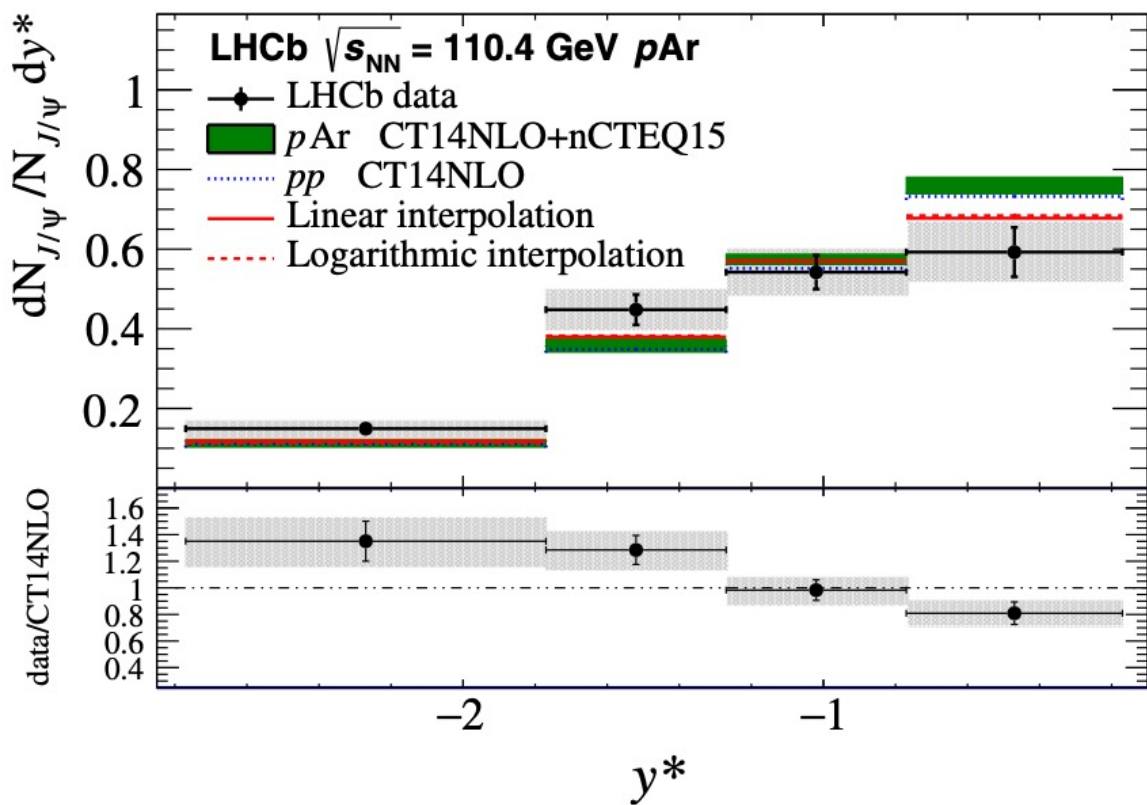


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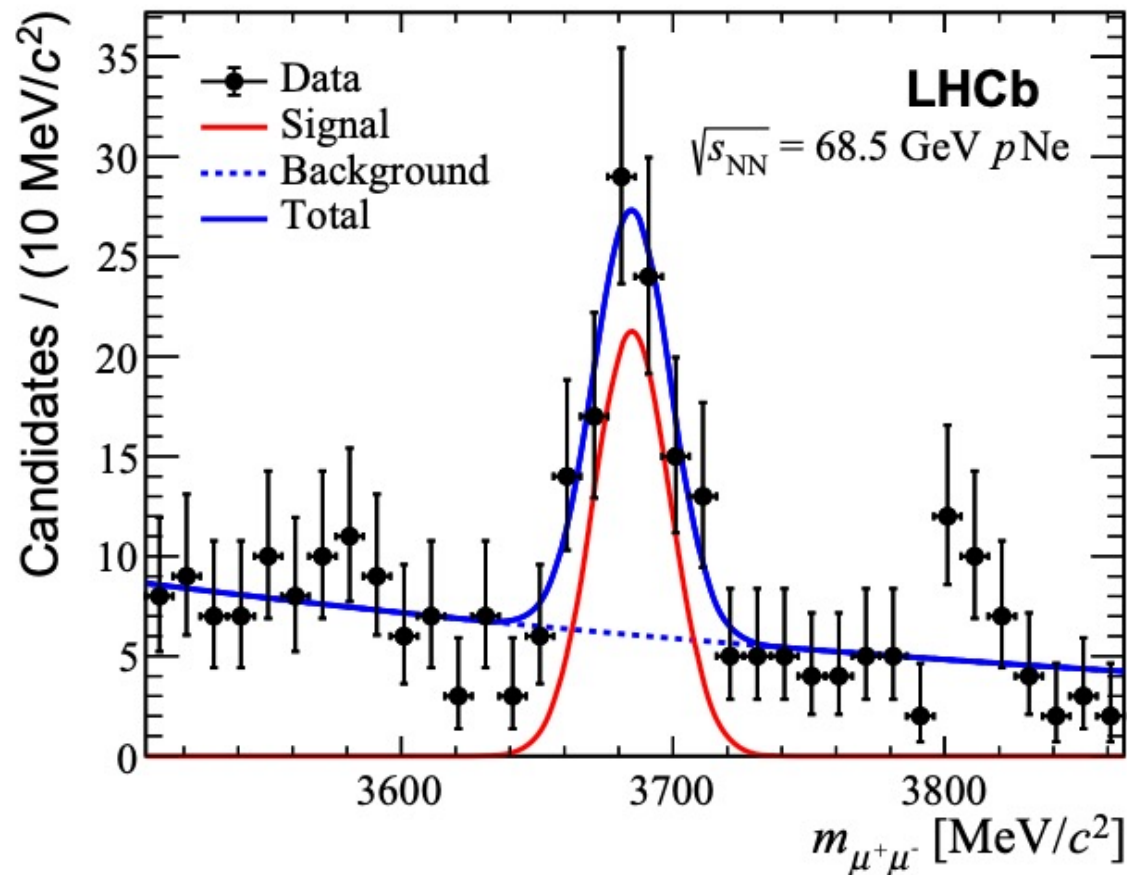
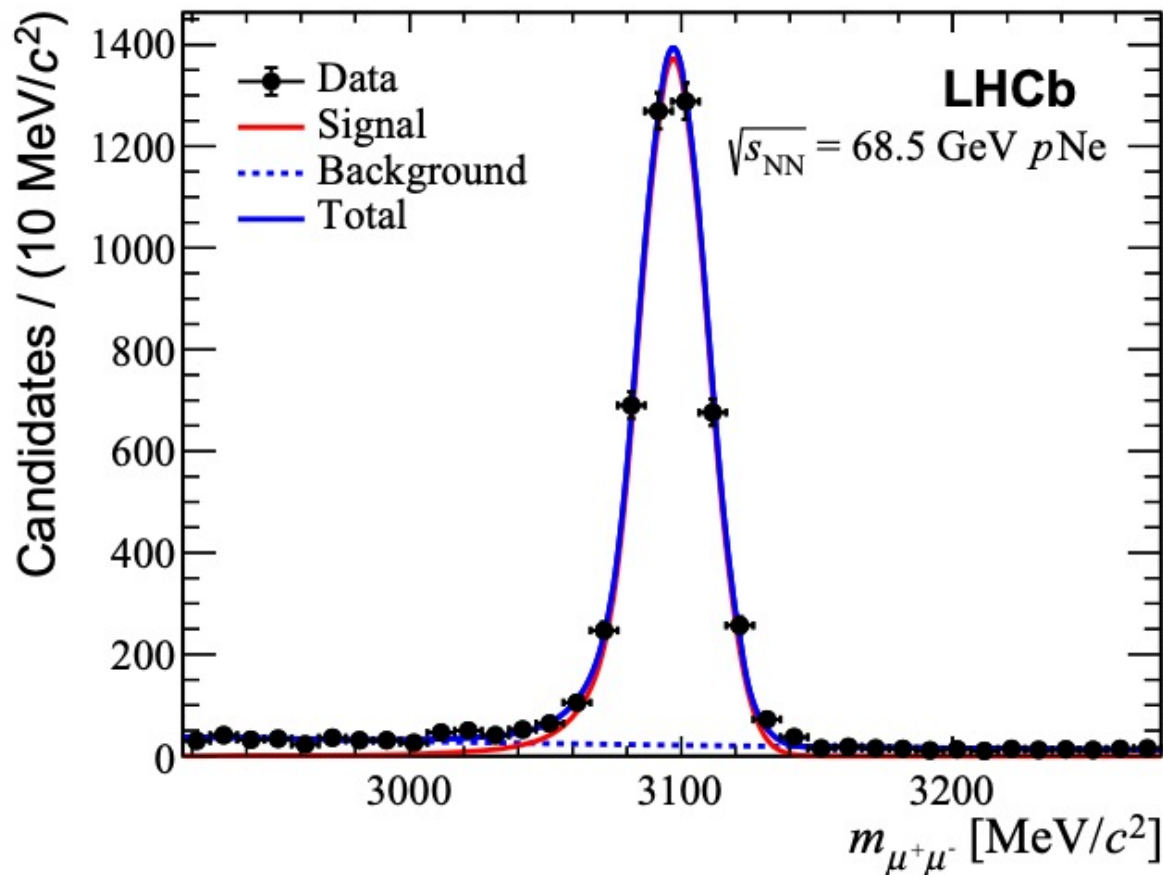


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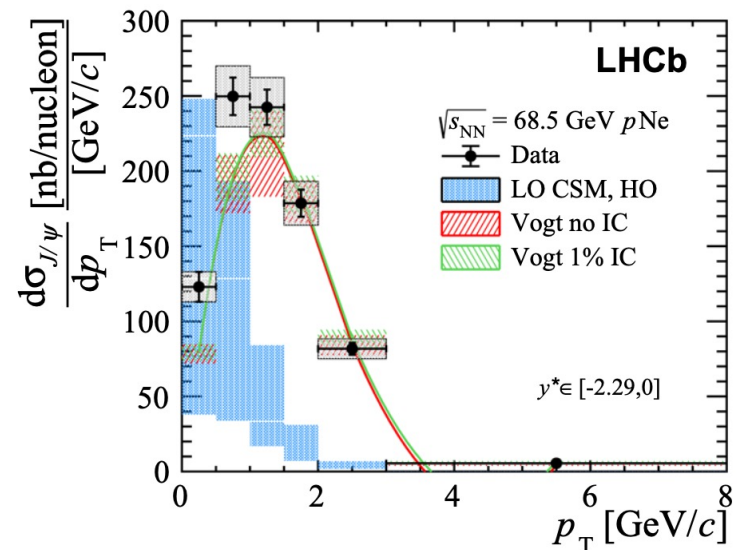
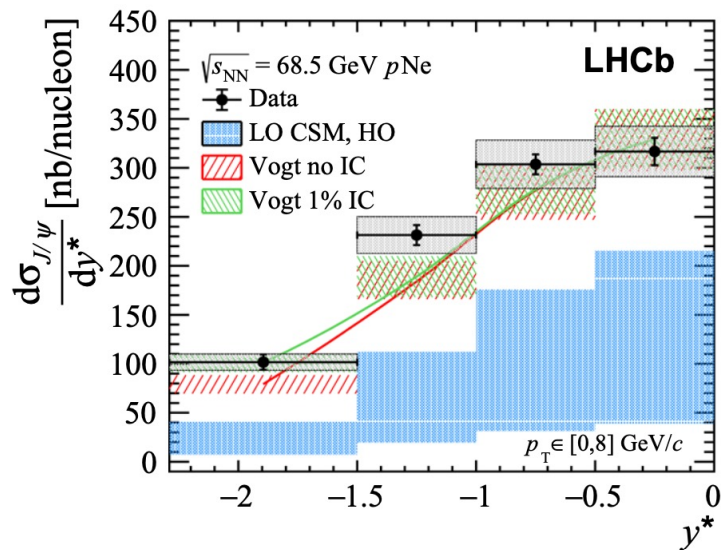
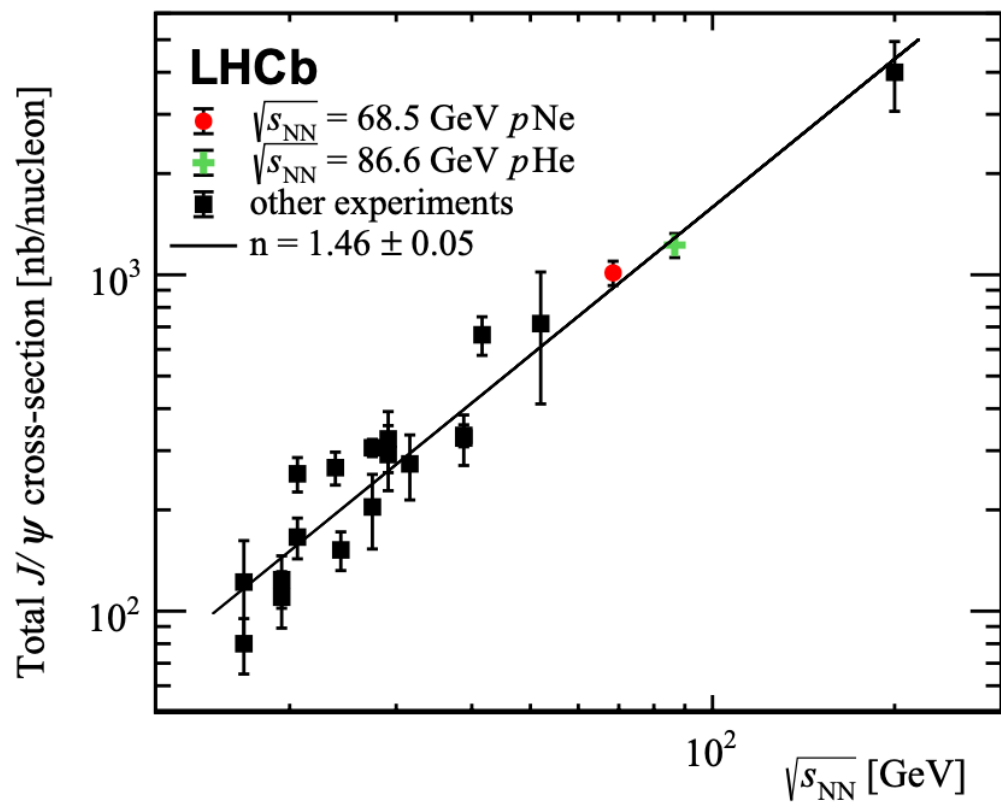


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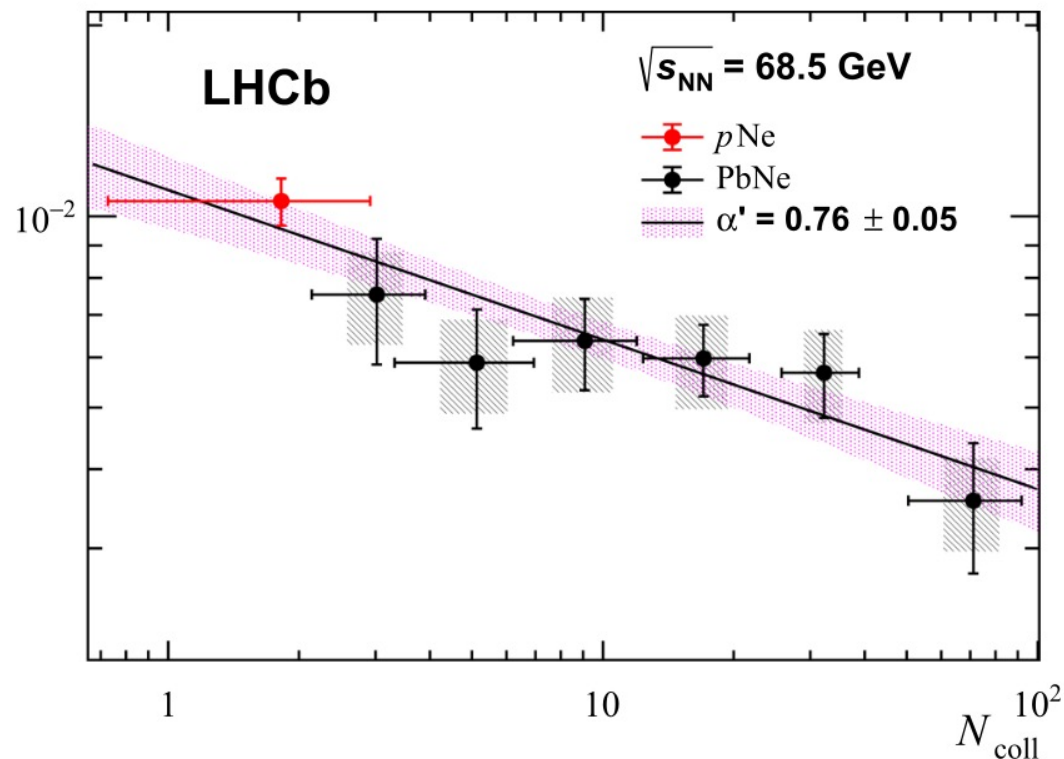
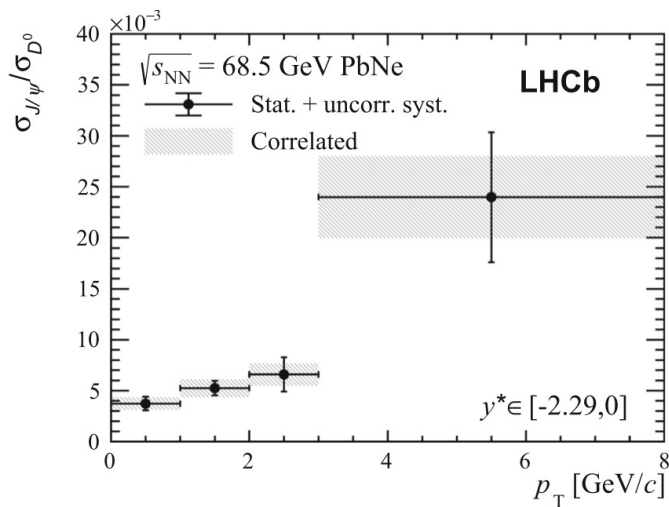
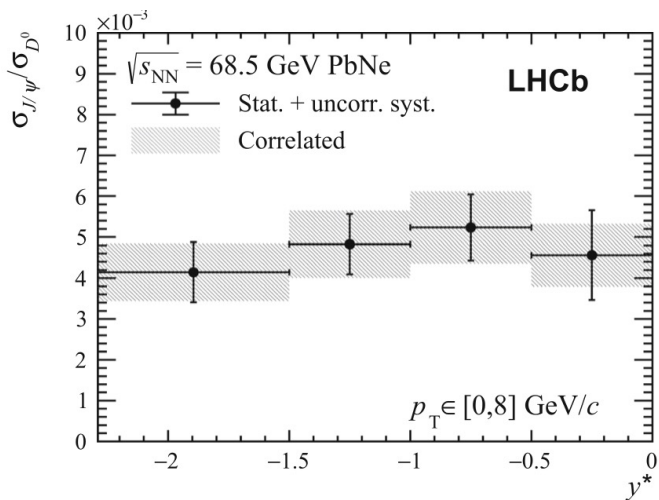


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Take away



- Charmonium as tools:
 - Production cross-section: probe nuclear matter effect
 - Ratio $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ to $\psi(2S)$: probe nature of $\chi_{c1}(3872)$
 - Photoproduction: constraint gluon PDFs
- Study charmonium production: Fixed target production at pHe, pAr, pNe, PbNe
- Rich program at LHCb on charmonium related physics
- Expecting new ideas!