

Quarkonia and exotic hadron production in pPb collisions at LHCb

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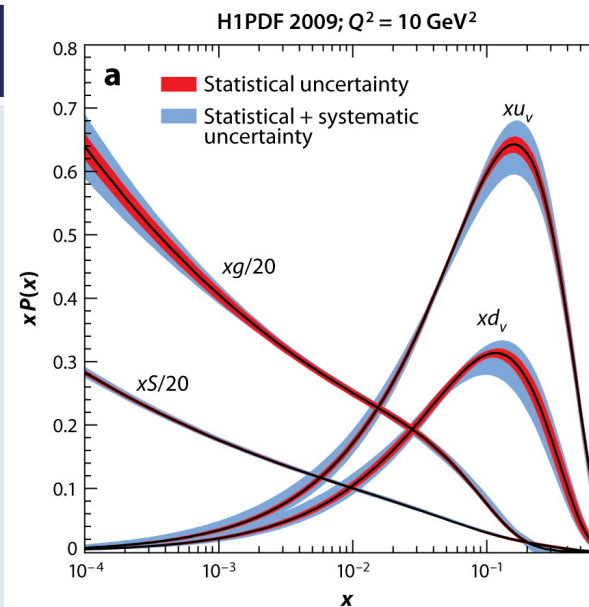
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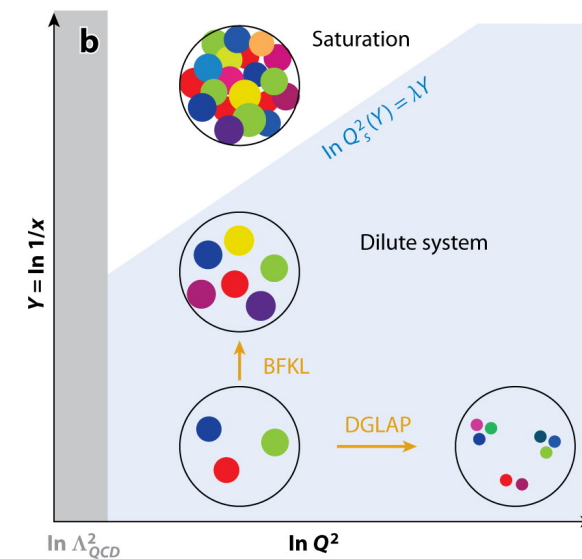
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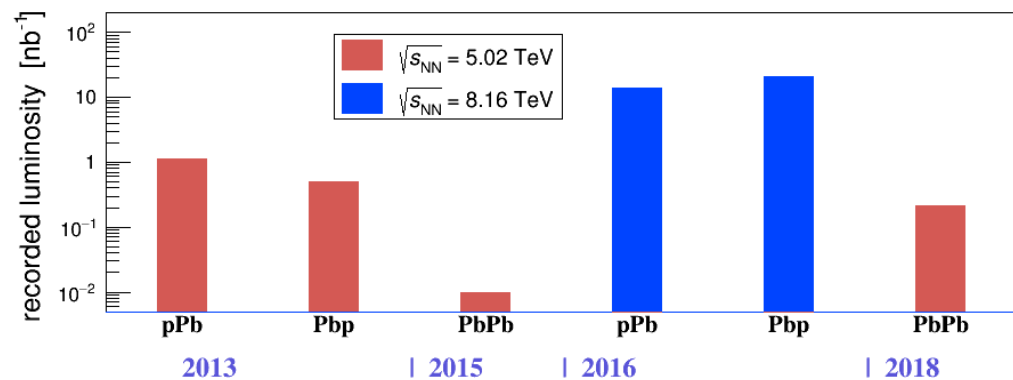
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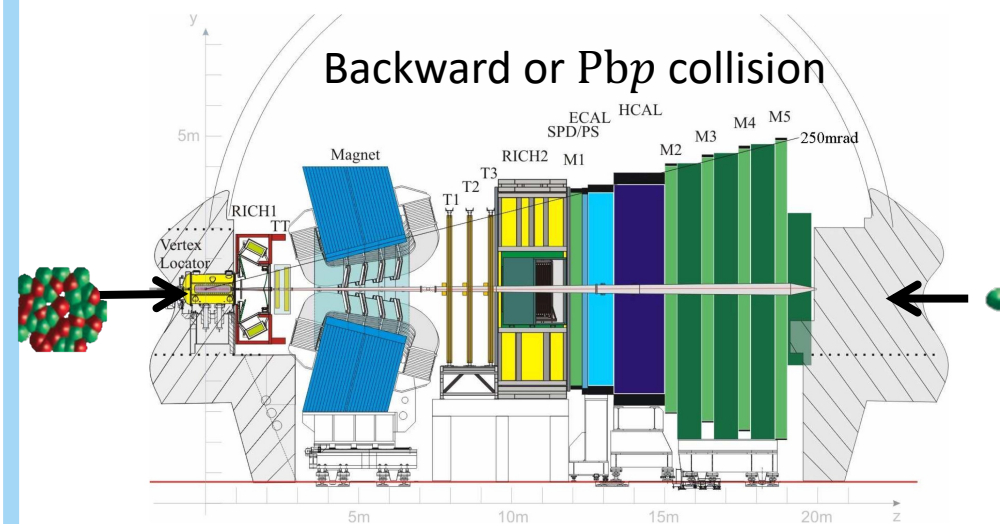
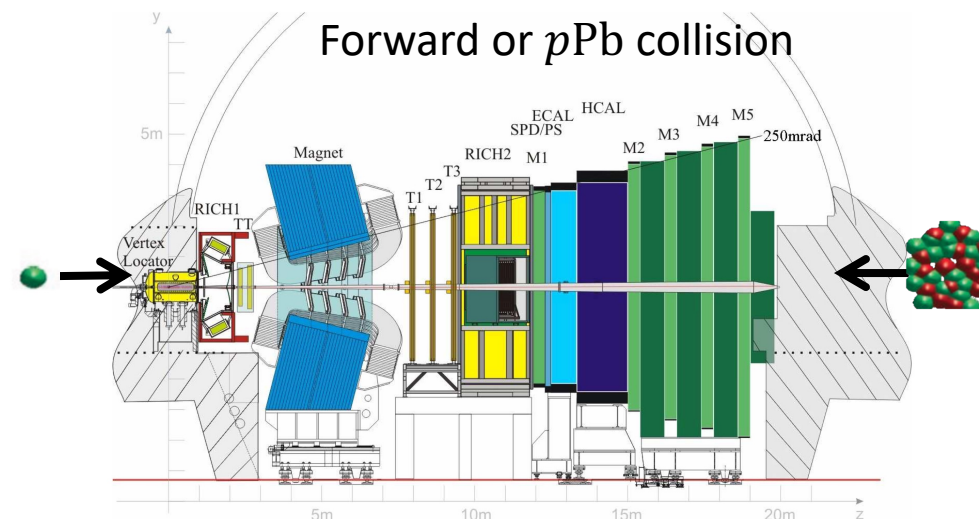
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2. The LHCb experiment. More than *beauty*.

- Fully instrumented forward detector
 $2 < \eta < 5$.
- Excellent tracking, momentum resolution and particle identification.



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3. LHCb results in $p\text{Pb}$ collisions. J/ψ production at $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 8 \text{ TeV}$.

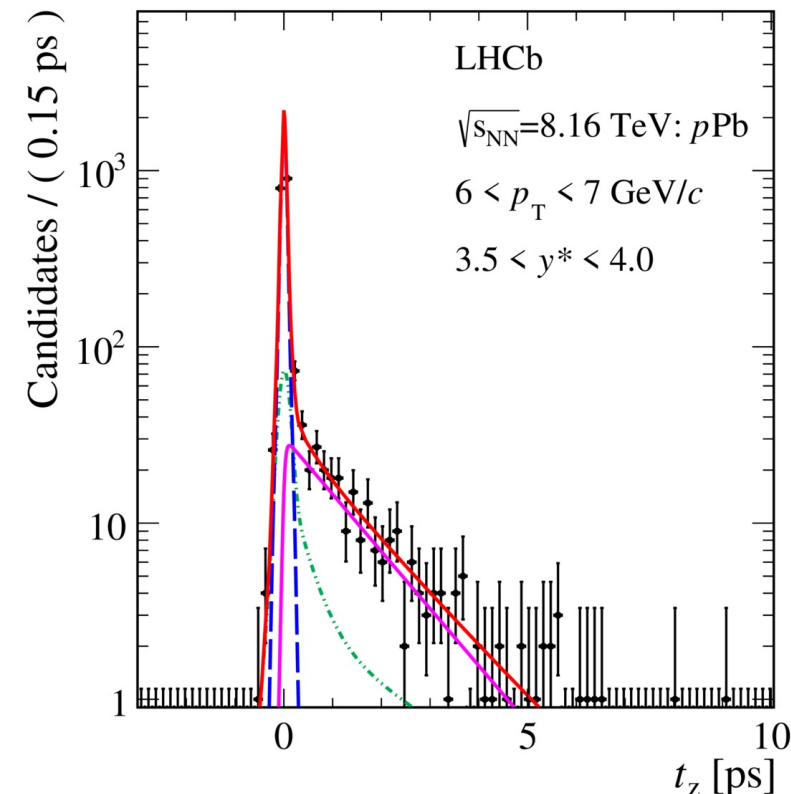
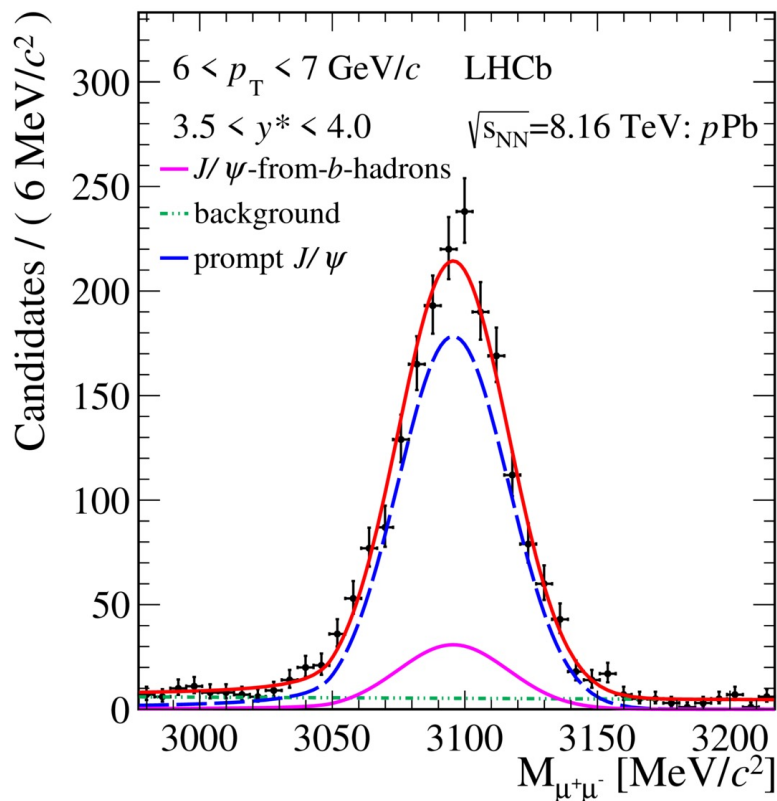
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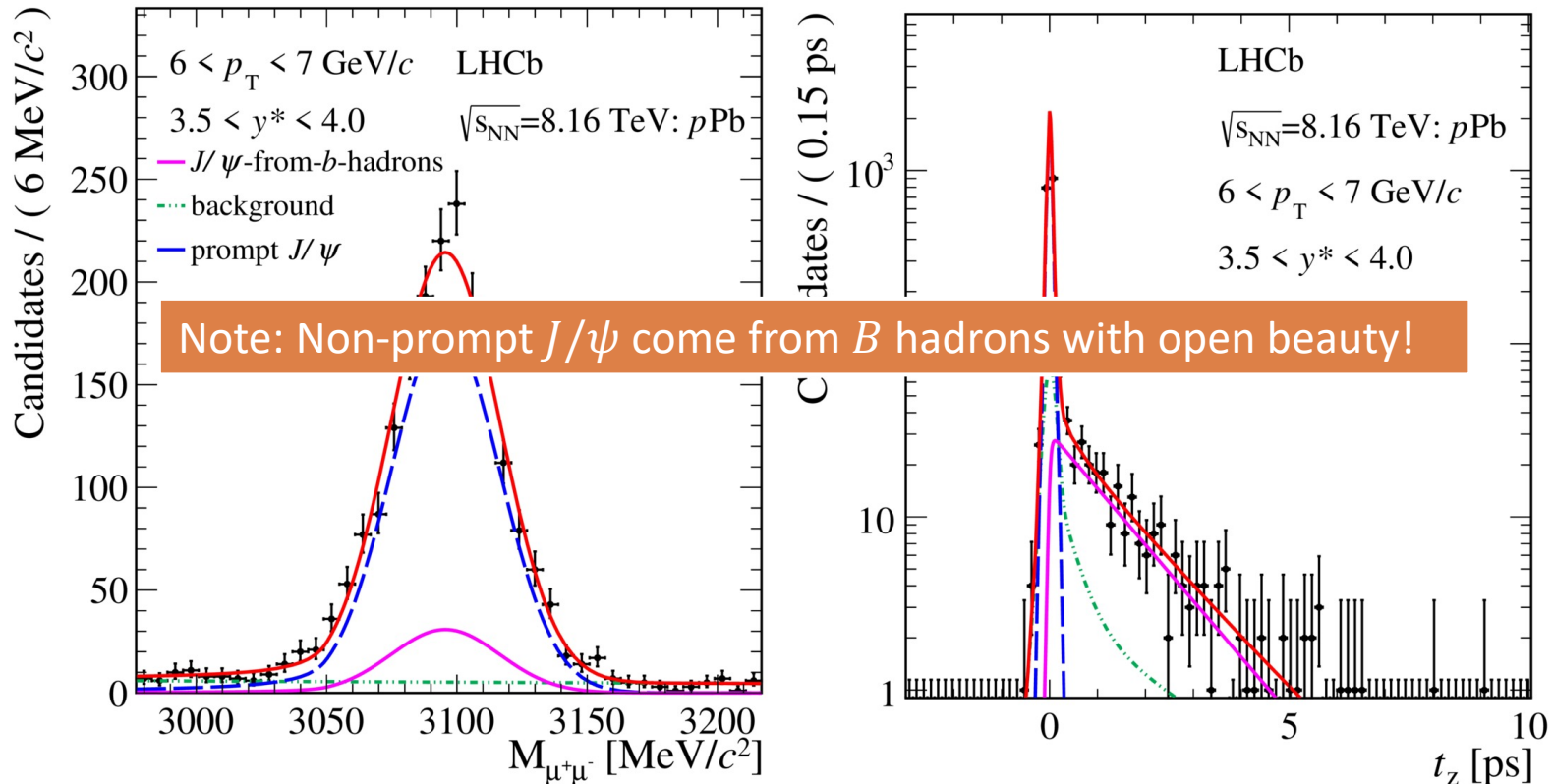
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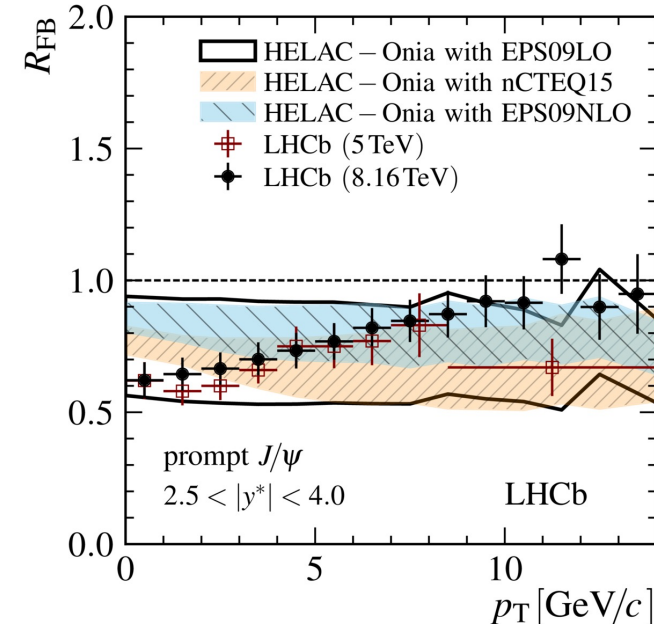
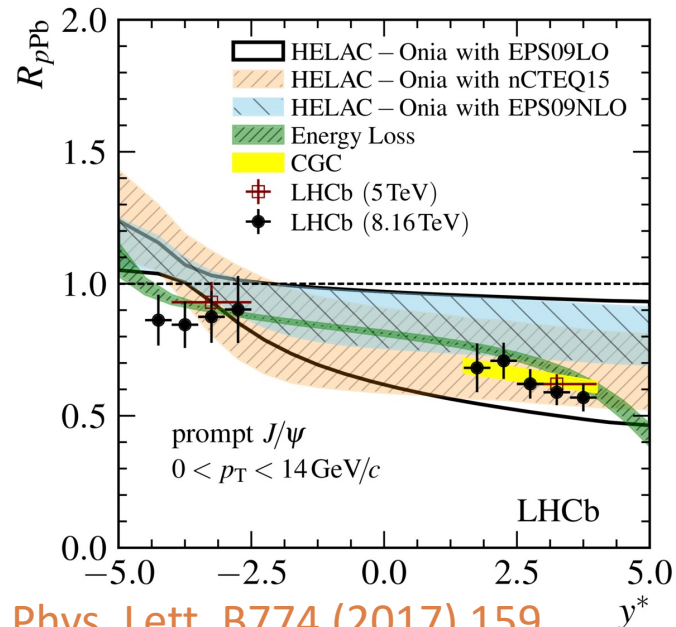
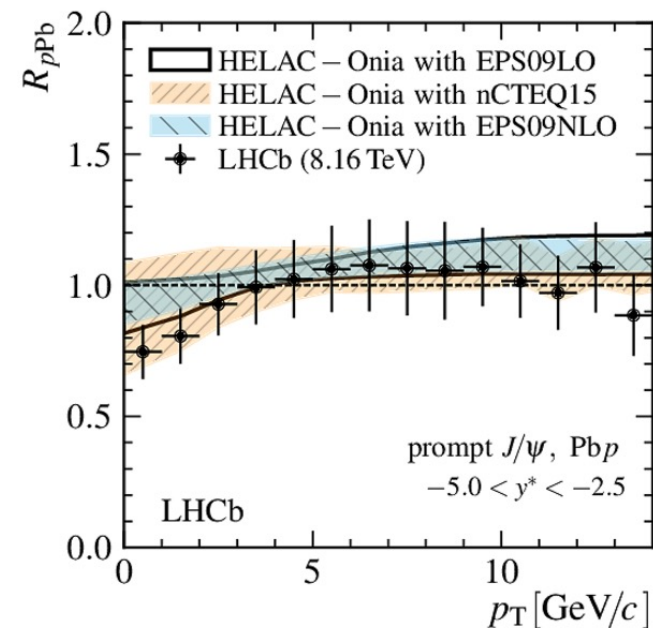
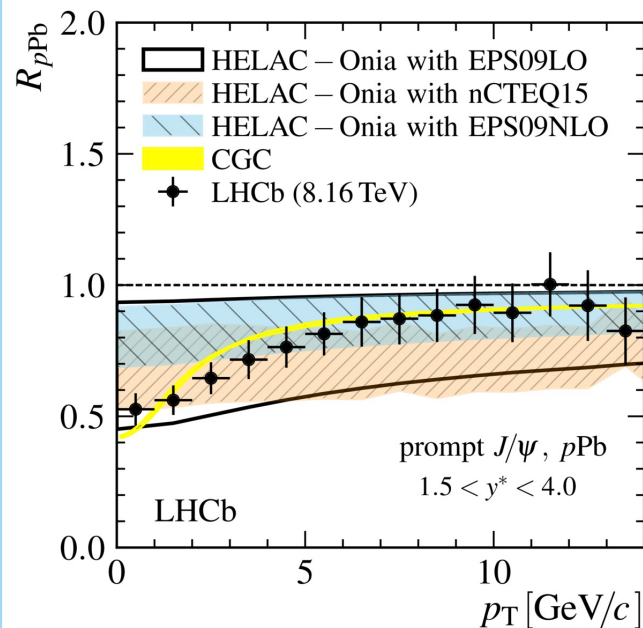
J/ψ production at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8$ TeV.

Nuclear modification factor

$$R_{pPb}(p_T, y^*) = \frac{1}{208} \frac{d^2\sigma_{pPb}(p_T, y^*)/dp_T dy^*}{d^2\sigma_{pp}(p_T, y^*)/dp_T dy^*}$$

and Forward-Backward ratio

$$R_{FB}(p_T, |y^*|) = \frac{d^2\sigma_{pPb}(p_T, |y^*|)/dp_T dy^*}{d^2\sigma_{PbP}(p_T, -|y^*|)/dp_T dy^*}$$

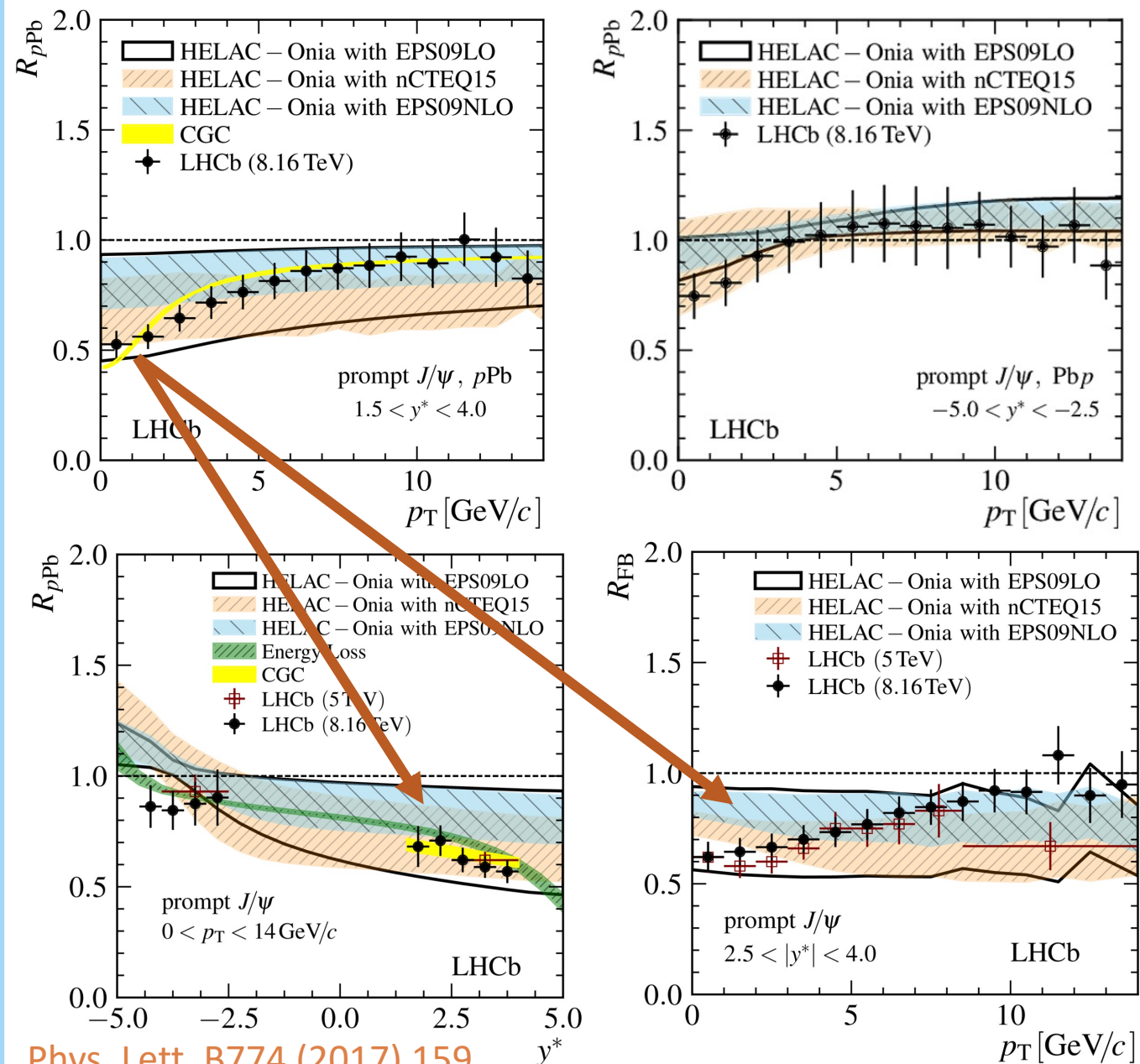


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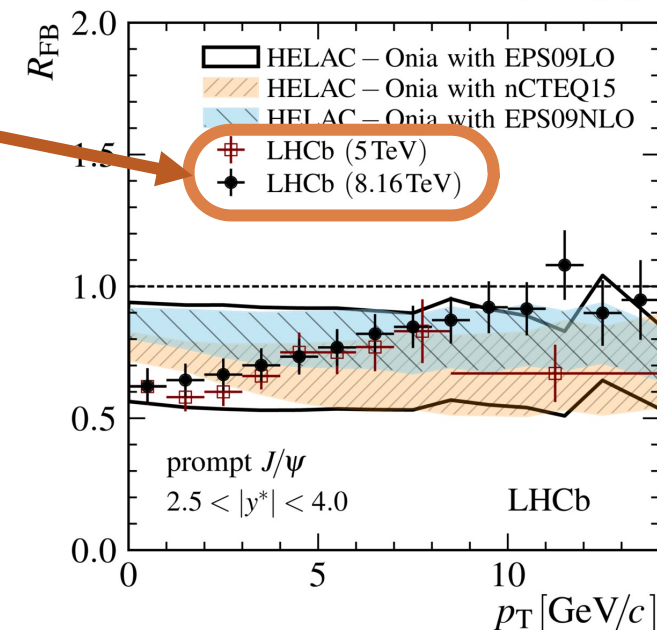
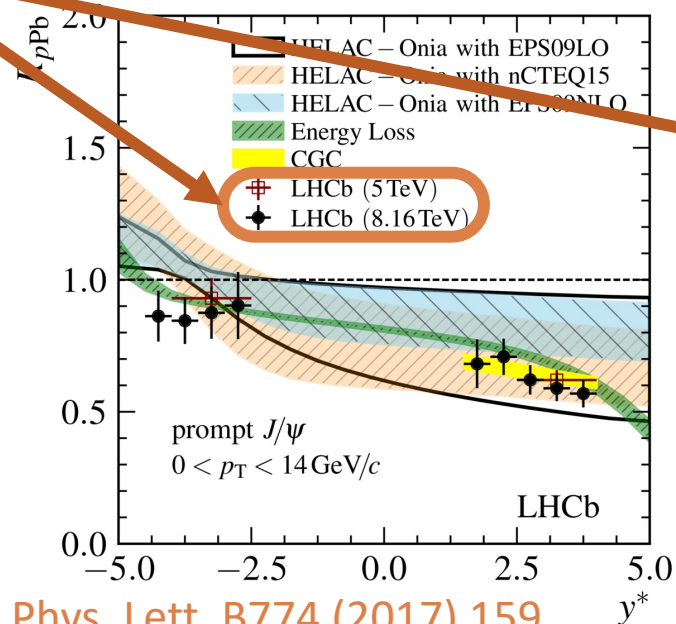
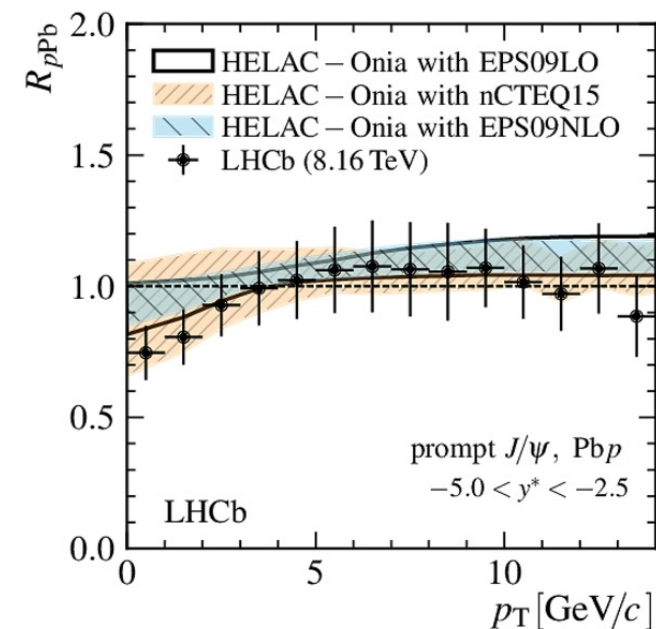
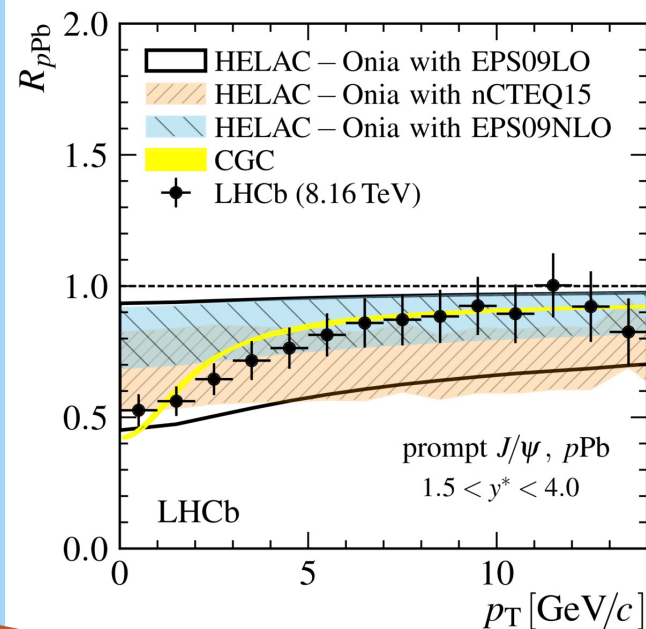
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R_{pPb} and R_{FB} for prompt J/ψ .

- Suppression pattern described by all calculations.
- **No evidence of energy dependence** for CNM effects at LHC energy scales.

Available models:

1. HELAC-Onia generator with different nPDFs:
 - EPS09LO,
 - nCTEQ15,
 - EPS09NLO.
2. **CGC** effective field theory in the dilute-tense approximation. Not available at backward rapidity.
3. Coherent **energy loss**.



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3. LHCb results in $p\text{Pb}$ collisions. $\psi(2S)$ production at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV.

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The reconstruction of the candidates is performed through the decay channel:

$$\psi(2S) \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- ,$$

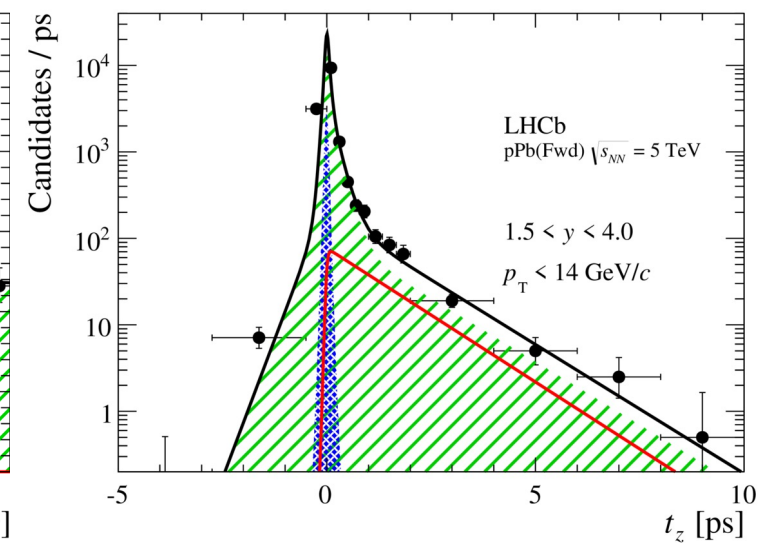
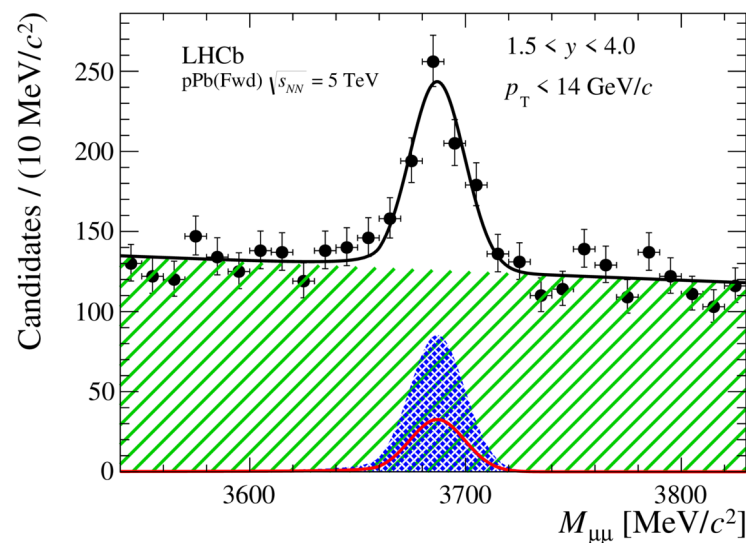
$$\mathcal{B}(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (7.9 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-3}$$

But, assuming lepton universality...

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) &= \mathcal{B}(\psi(2S) \rightarrow e^+ e^-) = \\ &= (7.89 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-3}. \end{aligned}$$

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► Upcoming results at 8TeV!

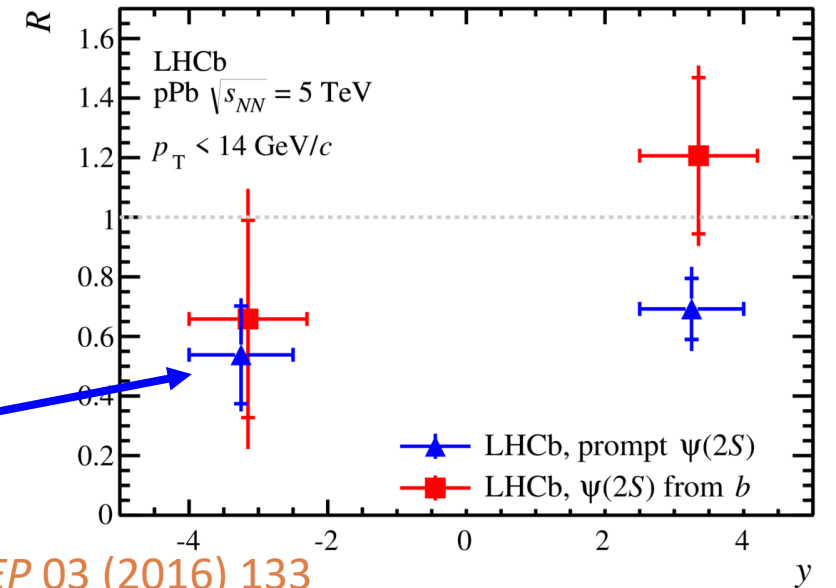
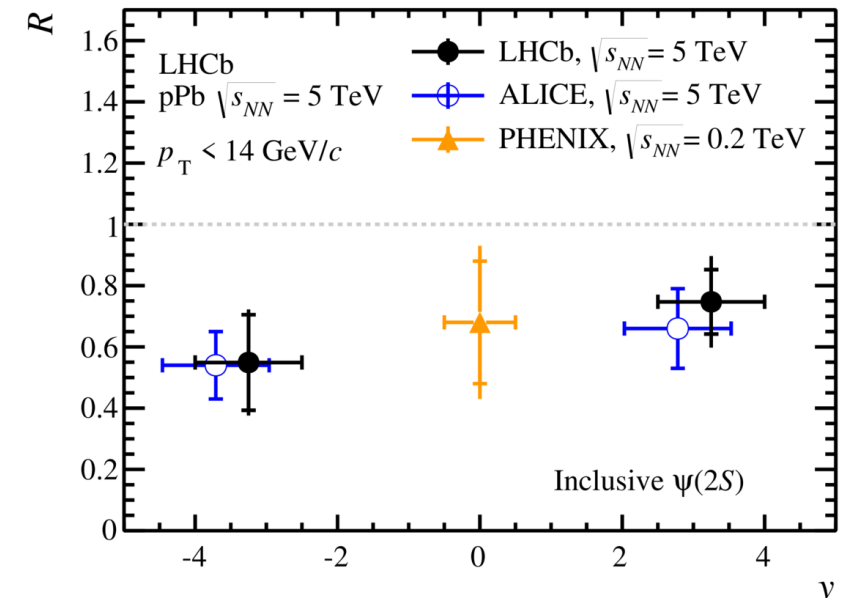


$\psi(2S)$ production at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV

$$R \equiv \frac{R_{pPb}^{\psi(2S)}}{R_{pPb}^{J/\psi}} = \frac{\sigma_{pPb}^{\psi(2S)}(5\text{TeV})}{\sigma_{pPb}^{J/\psi}(5\text{TeV})} \times \frac{\sigma_{pp}^{J/\psi}(5\text{TeV})}{\sigma_{pp}^{\psi(2S)}(5\text{TeV})} \cong \frac{\sigma_{pPb}^{\psi(2S)}(5\text{TeV})}{\sigma_{pPb}^{J/\psi}(5\text{TeV})} \times \frac{\sigma_{pp}^{J/\psi}(7\text{TeV})}{\sigma_{pp}^{\psi(2S)}(7\text{TeV})}$$

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- R indicates whether there is relative suppression between $\psi(2S)$ and J/ψ :
 $R < 1 \Rightarrow$ more relative suppression of the $\psi(2S)$.
- The results are compatible with ALICE.
- The suppression is only observed for prompt $\psi(2S)$.

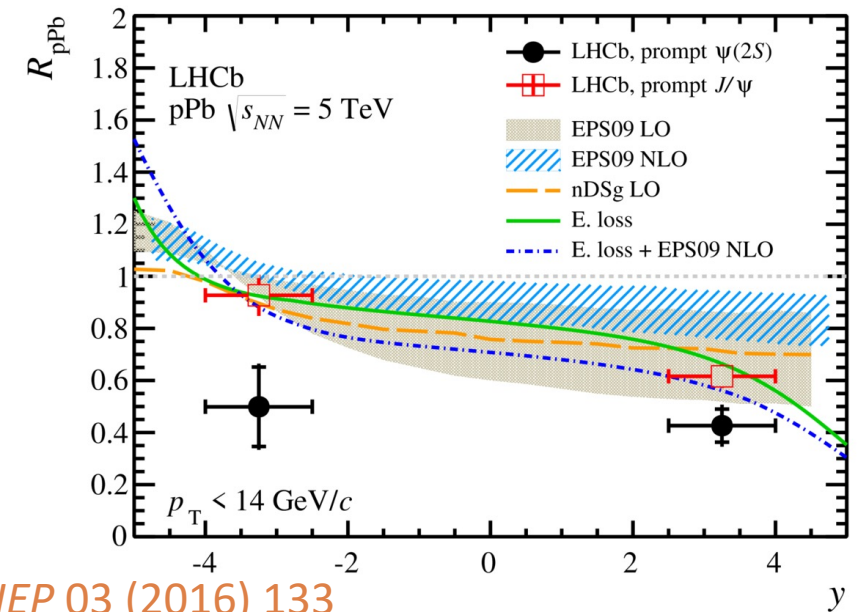
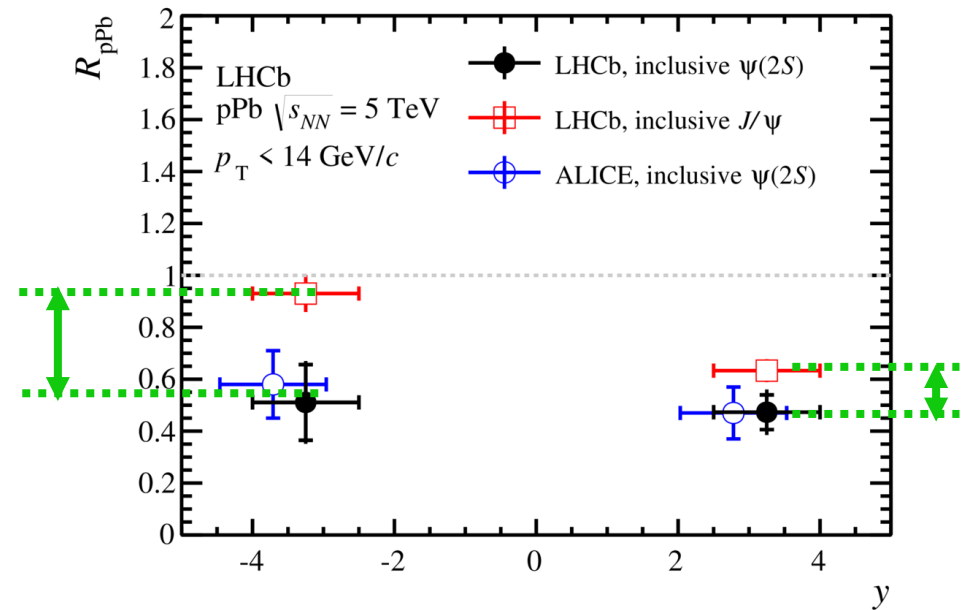


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$\psi(2S)$ production at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV

$$R_{pPb}^{\psi(2S)} = R_{pPb}^{J/\psi} \times R.$$

- The nuclear modification is in agreement with previous ALICE measurements.
- Prompt $\psi(2S)$ mesons are more suppressed** with respect to pp collisions than prompt J/ψ mesons.



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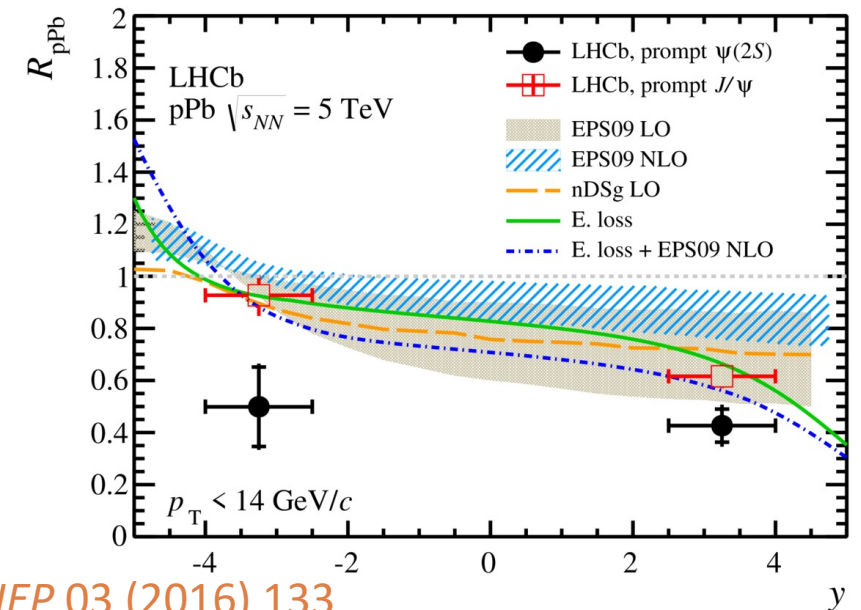
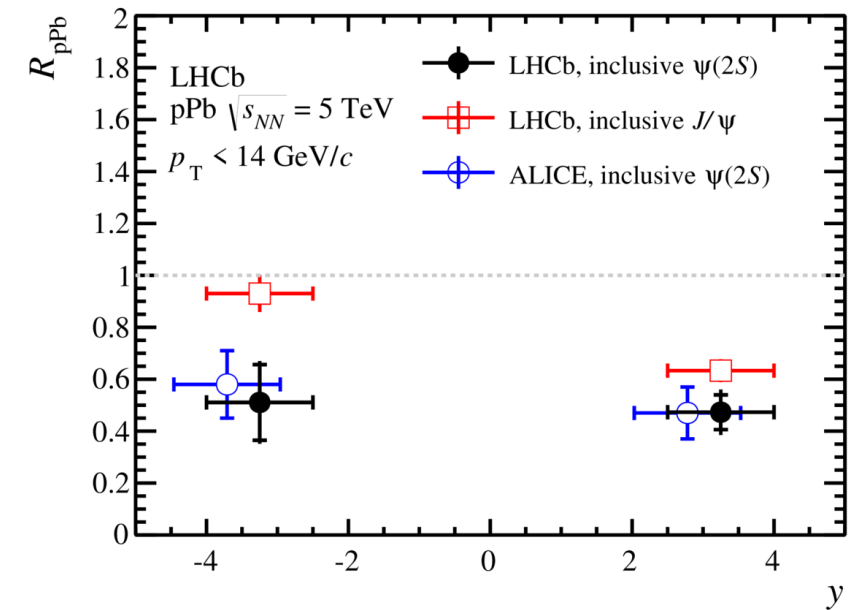
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- The results are not well described by theoretical predictions.
- Models with initial state effects can't explain the difference between the two $c\bar{c}$ states

⇒ **Final state effects are necessary to explain the relative suppression of $\psi(2S)$ (lower binding energy) with respect to J/ψ .**

Available models:

1. LO Colour Singlet Model with nPDFs: **EPS09**, **nDSg**.
2. NLO Colour Evaporation Model (NLO CEM) with **EPS09**.
3. Coherent parton energy loss that affects initial and final states, **with EPS09** or **without**.



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3. LHCb results in $p\text{Pb}$ collisions. Υ production and $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 8 \text{ TeV}$.

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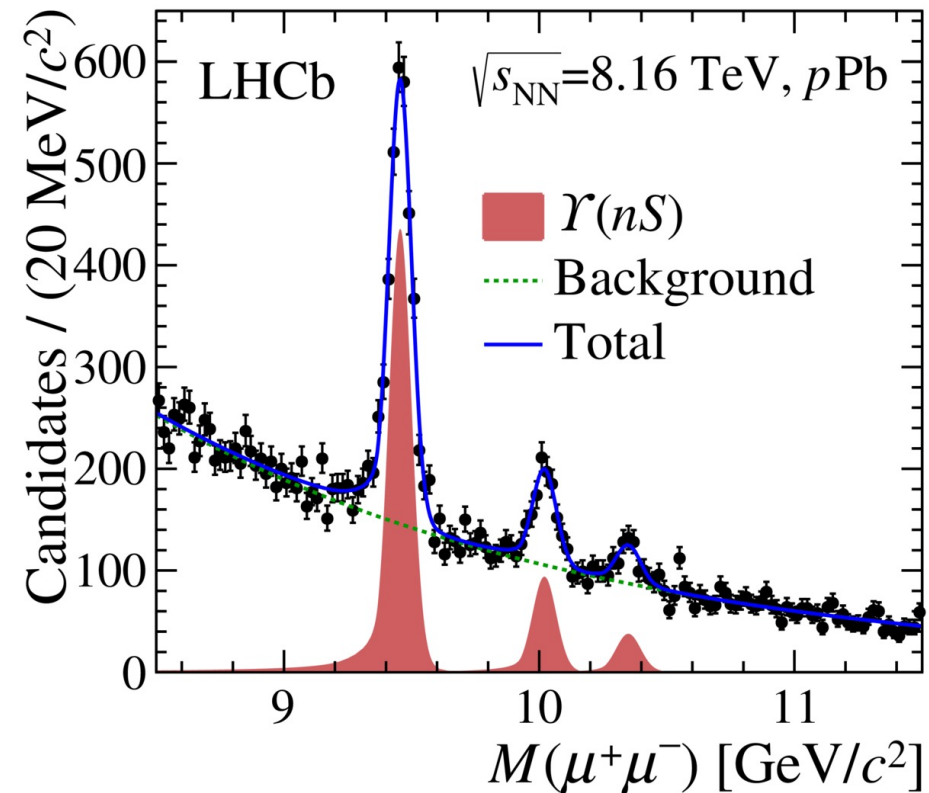
The reconstruction of the $\Upsilon(1S)$, $\Upsilon(2S)$, $\Upsilon(3S)$ candidates is performed through the decay channel:

$$\Upsilon(nS) \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-,$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(1S)) = (2.48 \pm 0.05)\%$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(2S)) = (1.93 \pm 0.17)\%$$

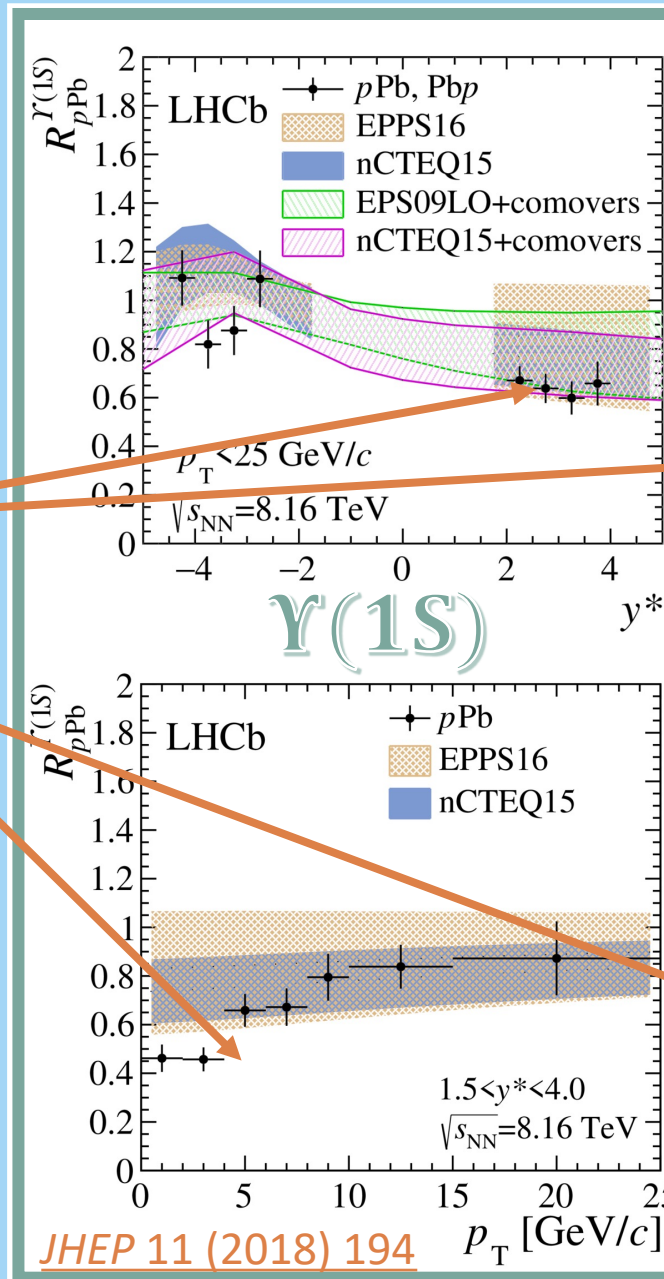
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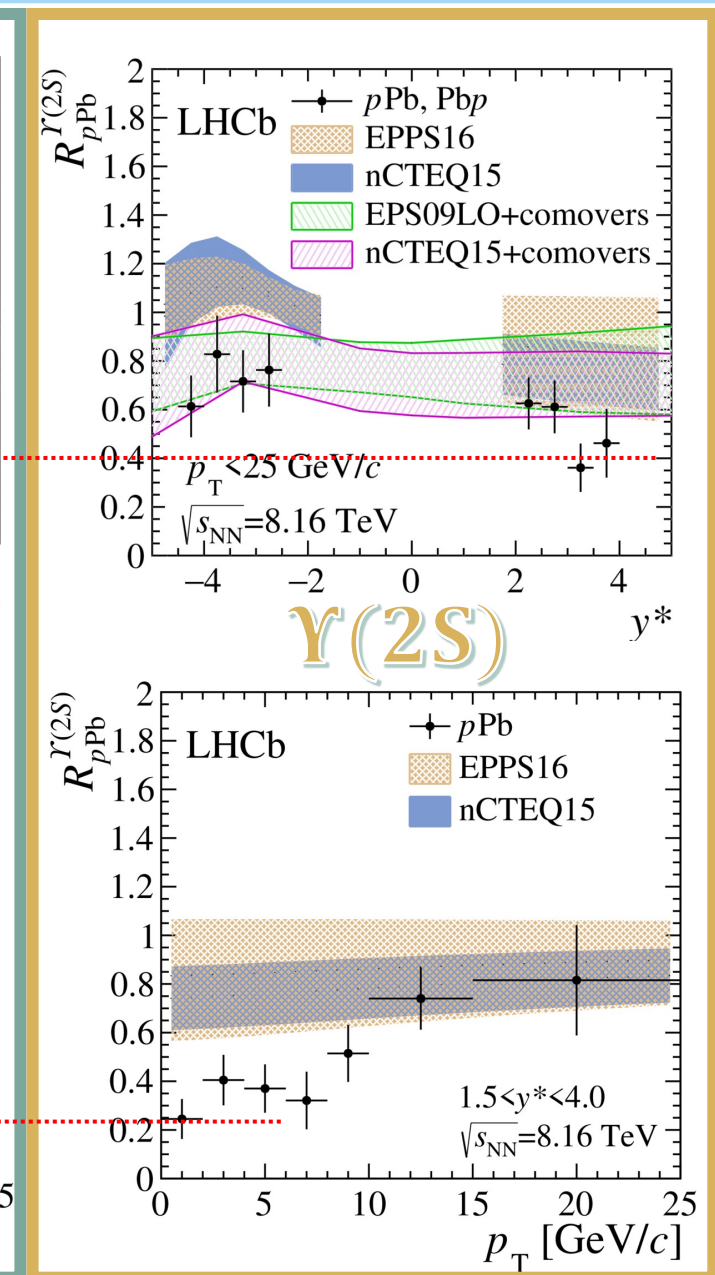
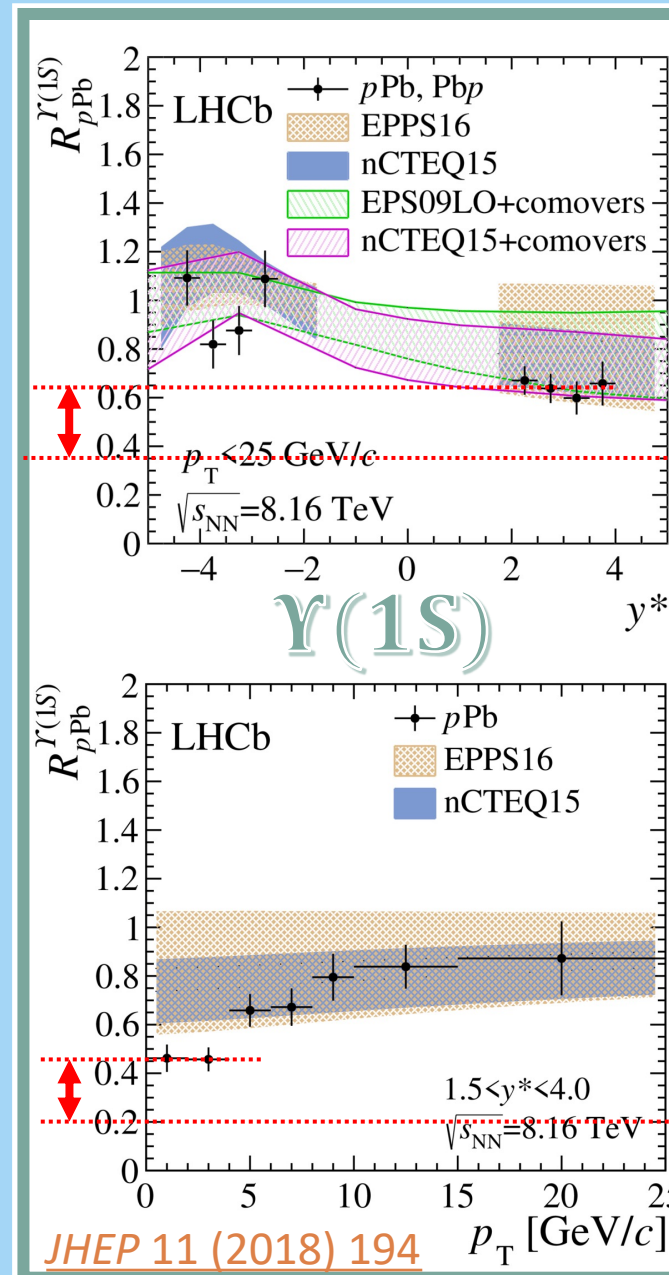


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- **The suppression is more pronounced for the excited state $\Upsilon(2S)$.**

Other observables can help to measure this difference!

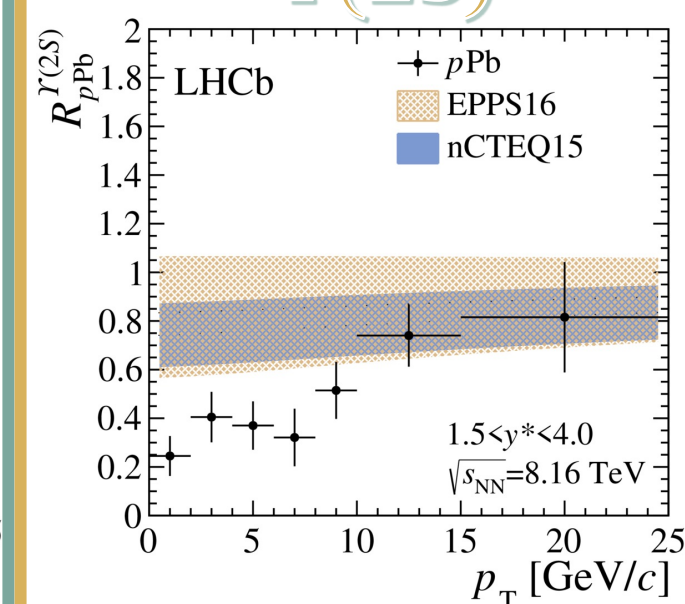
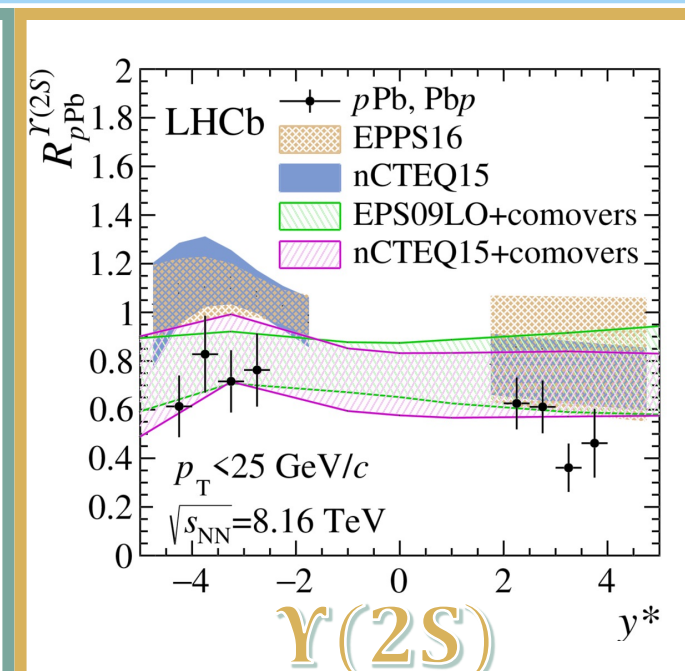
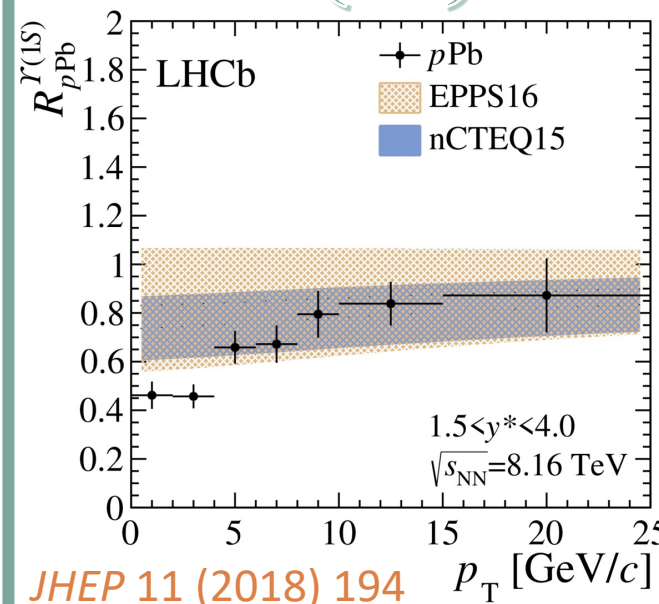
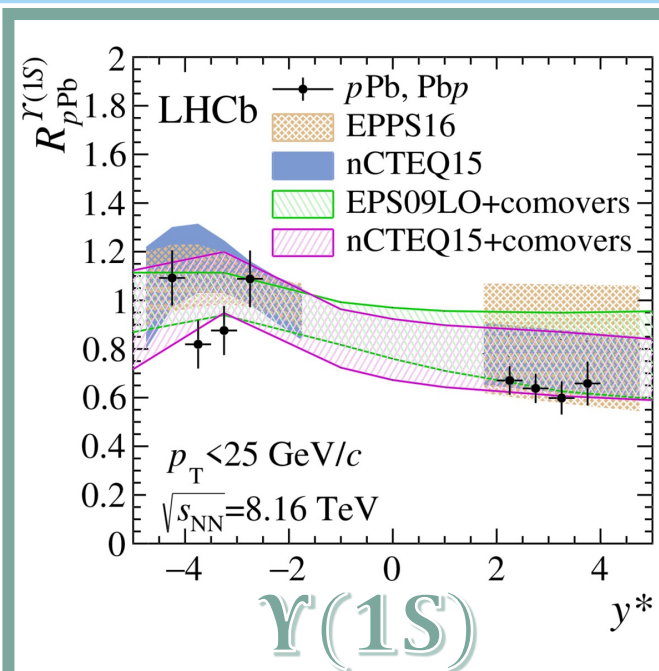


Υ production at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8$ TeV.

Available models:

1. HELAC-Onia event generator with nPDFs: **EPS16**, **nCTEQ15**.
2. Calculations that add interactions with comovers to nPDFs: **EPS09-LO**, **nCTEQ15**.

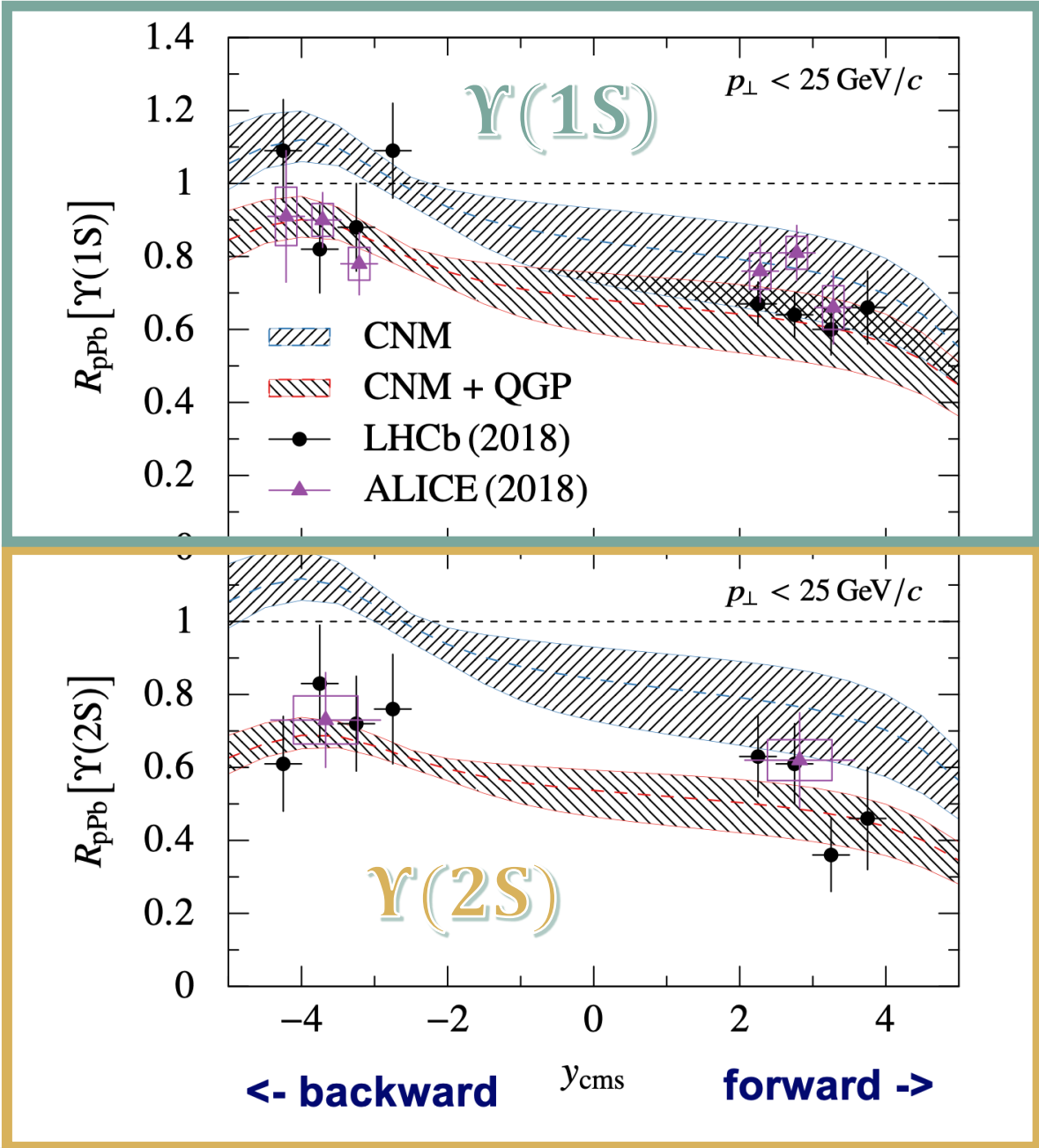
- The calculations that include **final state** interactions with comovers seem in better agreement with the data.



Υ production at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8$ TeV.

- New models include **hot-medium effects!**

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 Ratio of $\Upsilon(2S)$ and $\Upsilon(3S)$ to the $\Upsilon(1S)$:

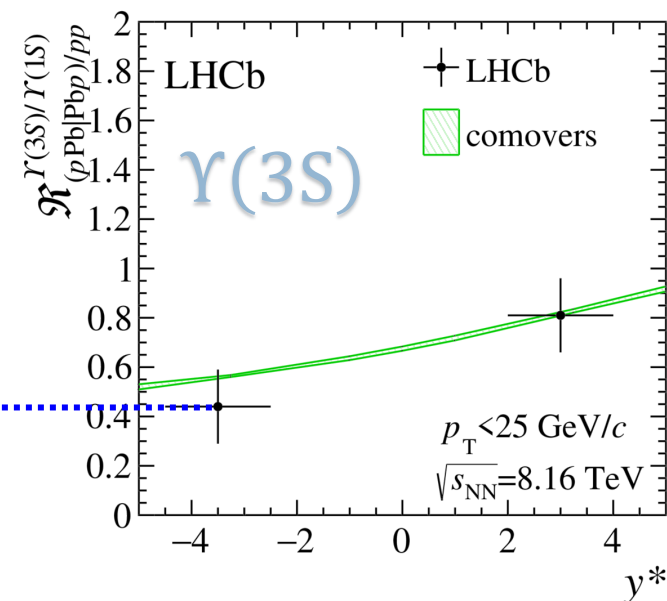
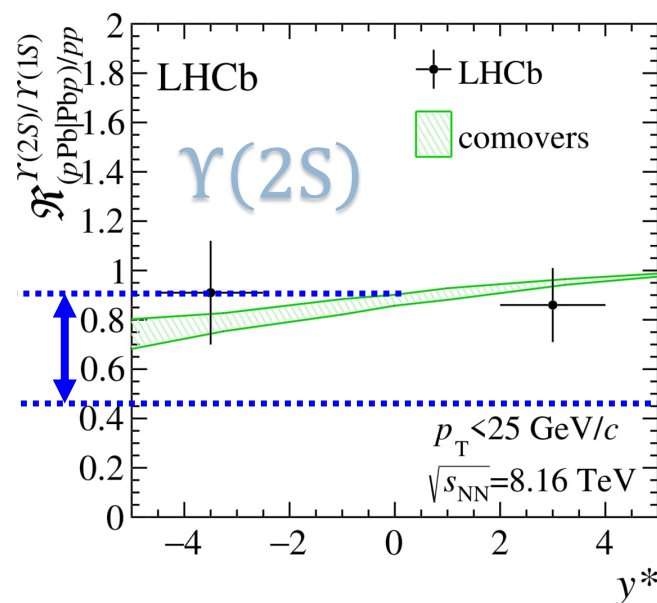
$$R(\Upsilon(nS)) = \frac{\left[\frac{d^2\sigma_{pPb}(p_T, y^*)}{dp_T dy^*} \right](\Upsilon(nS))}{\left[\frac{d^2\sigma_{pPb}(p_T, y^*)}{dp_T dy^*} \right](\Upsilon(1S))}$$

 Double ratio with respect to pp collisions:

$$\mathcal{R}_{(pPb|Pbp)/pp}^{\Upsilon(nS)/\Upsilon(1S)} = \frac{R(\Upsilon(nS))_{pPb|Pbp}}{R(\Upsilon(nS))_{pp}} = \frac{R_{pPb}^{\Upsilon(nS)}}{R_{pPb}^{\Upsilon(1S)}}$$

Sample	$R(\Upsilon(2S))$	$R(\Upsilon(3S))$
pp	0.328(4)	0.137(2)
pPb	0.28(5)	0.11(2)
Pbp	0.29(7)	0.06(2)

- $R(\Upsilon(3S))$ decreases notably with respect to pp for **backward** collisions.
- $\mathcal{R}_{(pPb|Pbp)/pp}^{\Upsilon(nS)/\Upsilon(1S)}$ consistent with 1 for $\Upsilon(2S)$, 0.44(15) for $\Upsilon(3S)$ at backward rapidity.



3. LHCb results in $p\text{Pb}$ collisions.

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Prompt-production cross-section ratio $\sigma(\chi_{c2})/\sigma(\chi_{c1})$ at $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 8 \text{ TeV}$.

- The ratio of the charmonium states χ_{c2} and χ_{c1} are measured through their decay:

$$\sigma(\chi_{ci}) \rightarrow (J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)\gamma$$

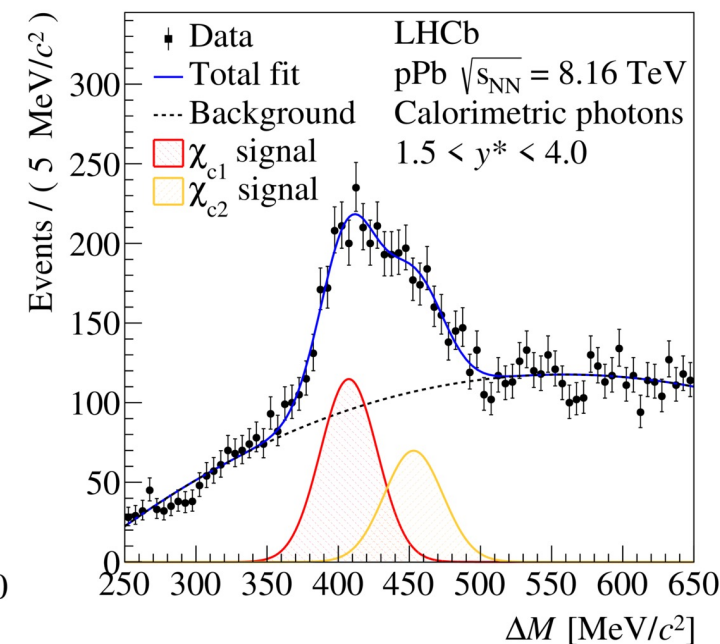
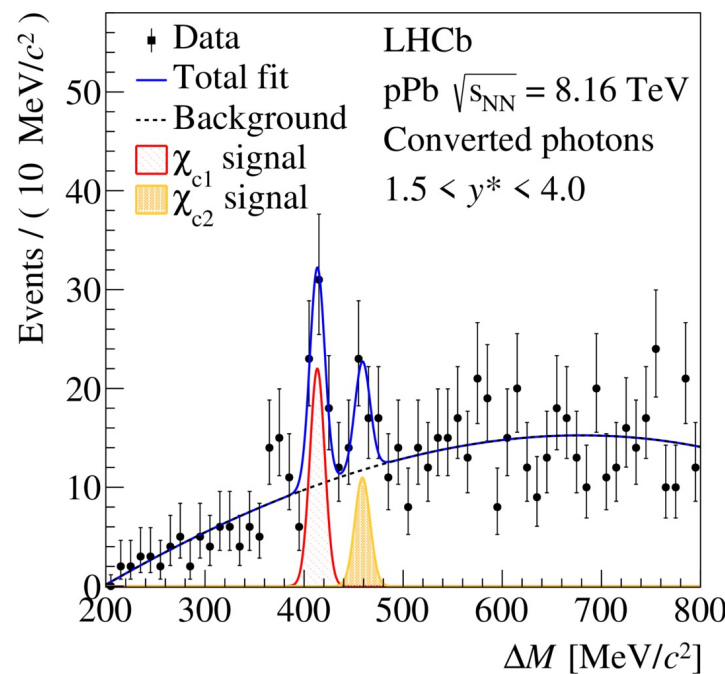
- $t_z < 0.1 \text{ ps}$.

- Two independent results are shown:

- Converted photons: reconstructed through

$$\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-.$$

- Calorimetric photons: reconstructed through the energy deposited in the calorimetric system.



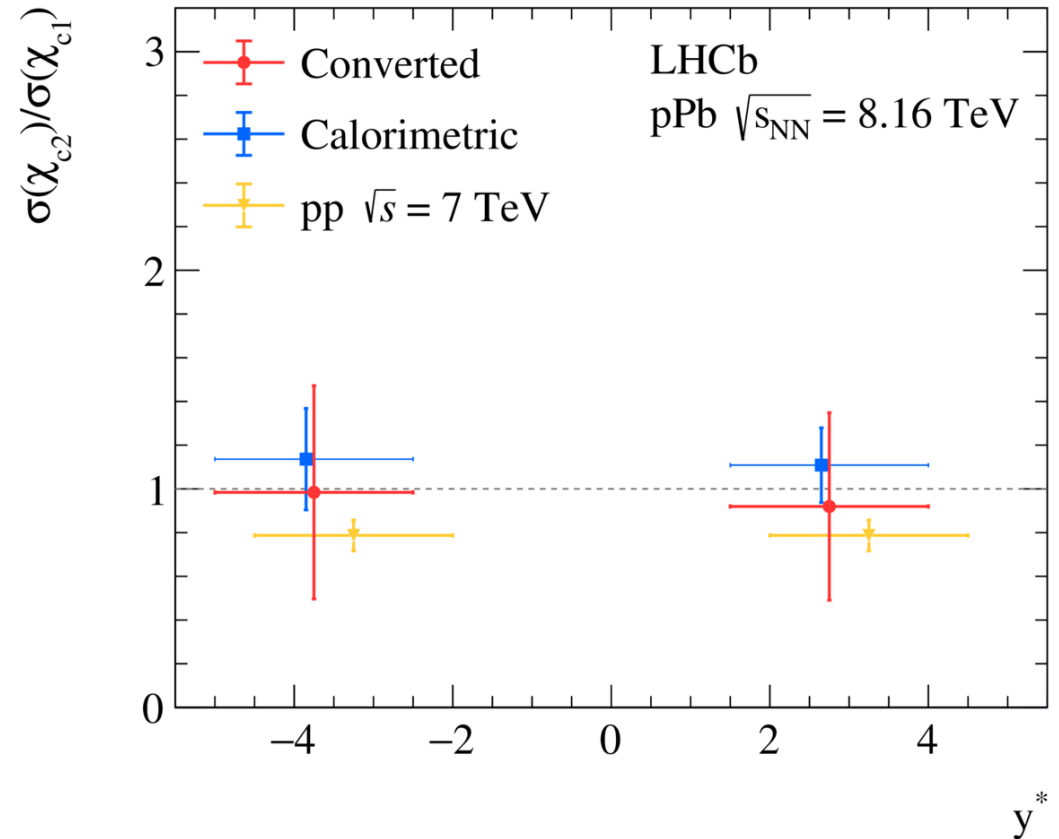
$$\Delta M = M(\mu^+\mu^-\gamma) - M(\mu^+\mu^-)$$

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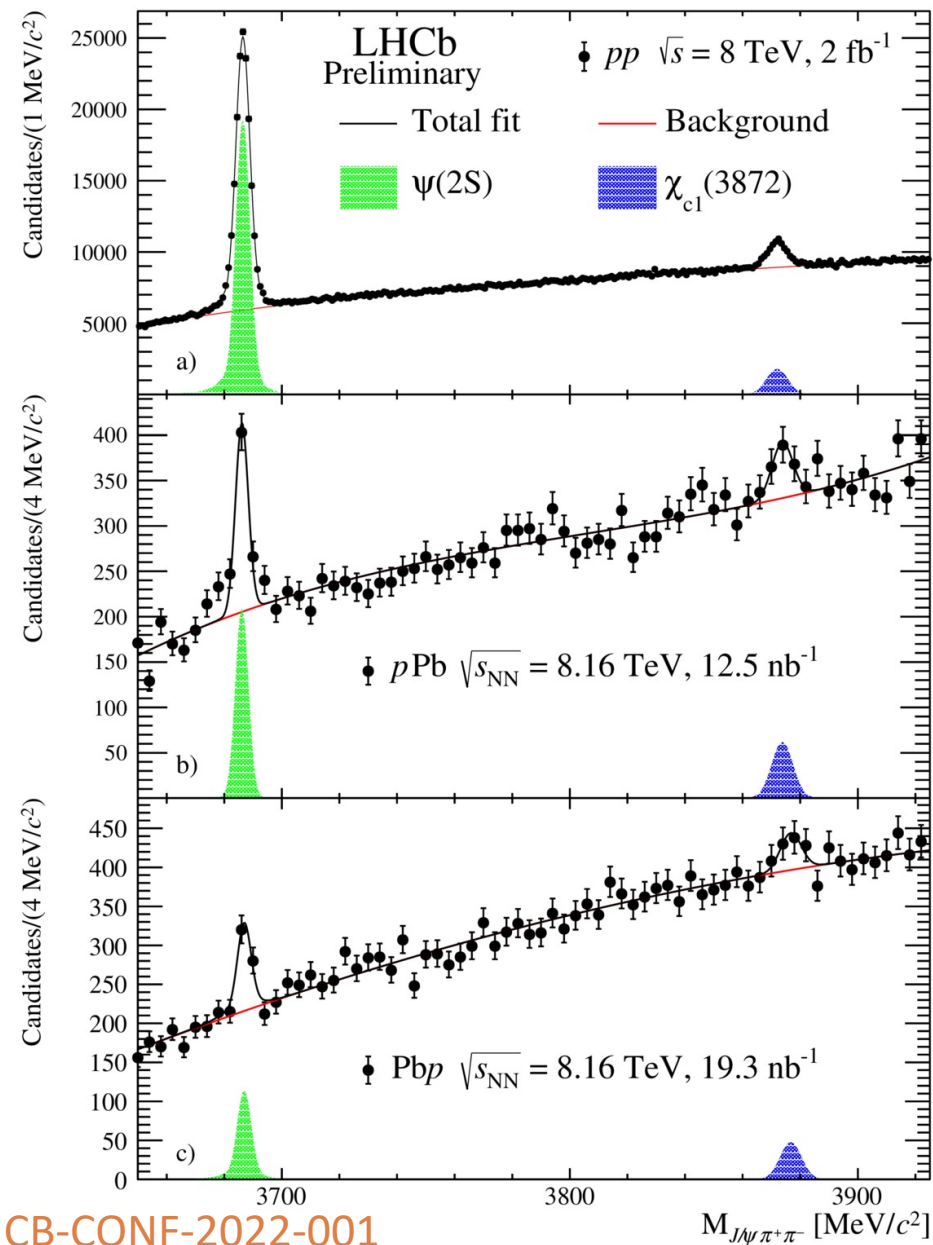
- **The ratio is consistent with unity** for forward and backward rapidity regions.
- The binding energies of χ_{c2} and χ_{c1} are small compared to J/ψ but similar among them.
- The results hint that the **nuclear effects have same impact on the two states** within uncertainties.

► Ongoing efforts to measure $\sigma(\chi_c \rightarrow J/\psi)/\sigma(J/\psi)$ at 8TeV!



3. LHCb results in $p\text{Pb}$ collisions. Prompt-production cross-section ratio $\sigma(\chi_{c1}(3872))/\sigma(\psi(2S))$ at $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 8 \text{ TeV}$.

- First measurement of any exotic hadron in $p\text{Pb}$ collisions.
- $t_z < 0.1 \text{ ps}$.
- Both $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ and $\psi(2S)$ are reconstructed through their decays to $(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \pi^+ \pi^-$.

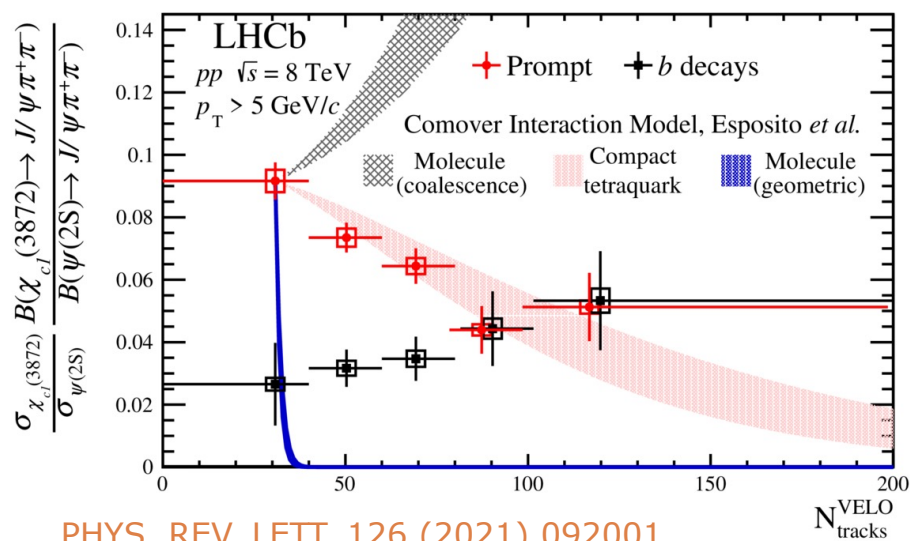


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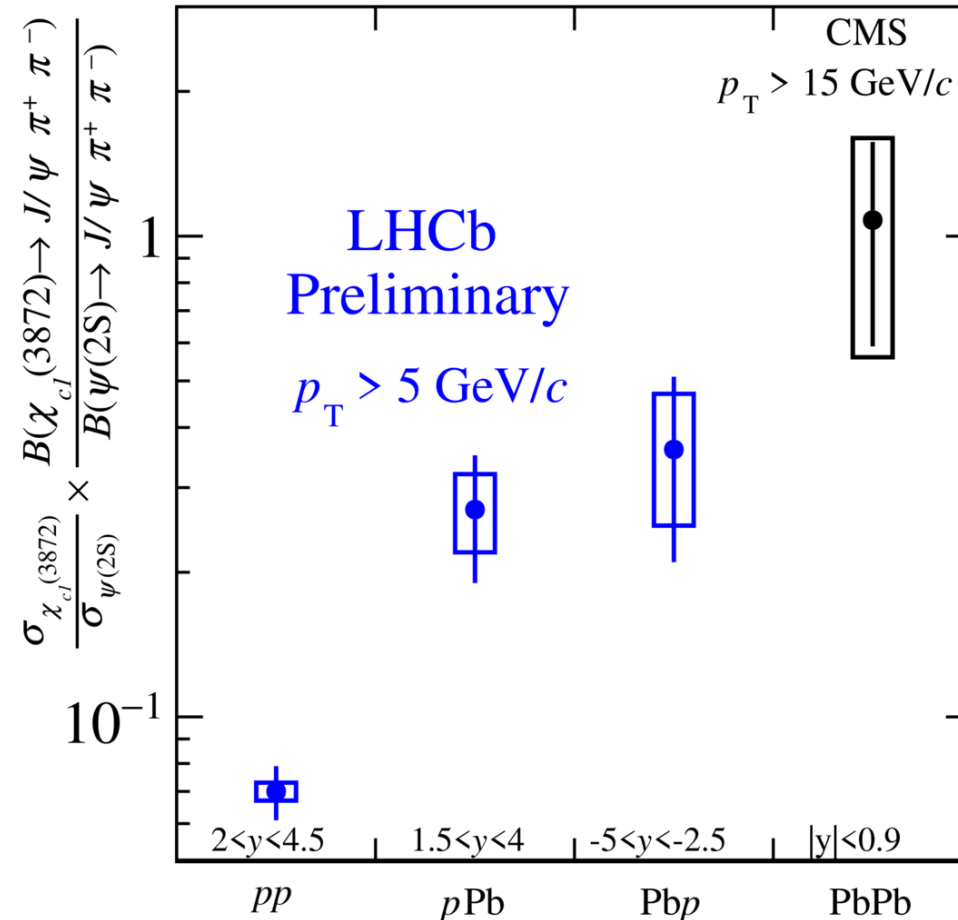
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- **Increase of the ratio** of cross-sections from pp to pPb to $PbPb$ collisions.
- pp collisions show a decreasing trend with multiplicity.
- May indicate that $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ experiences **different dynamics in the nuclear medium** than the conventional charmonium state.
- Possibility that hadronic densities allow **quark coalescence** to become a more relevant production mechanism.



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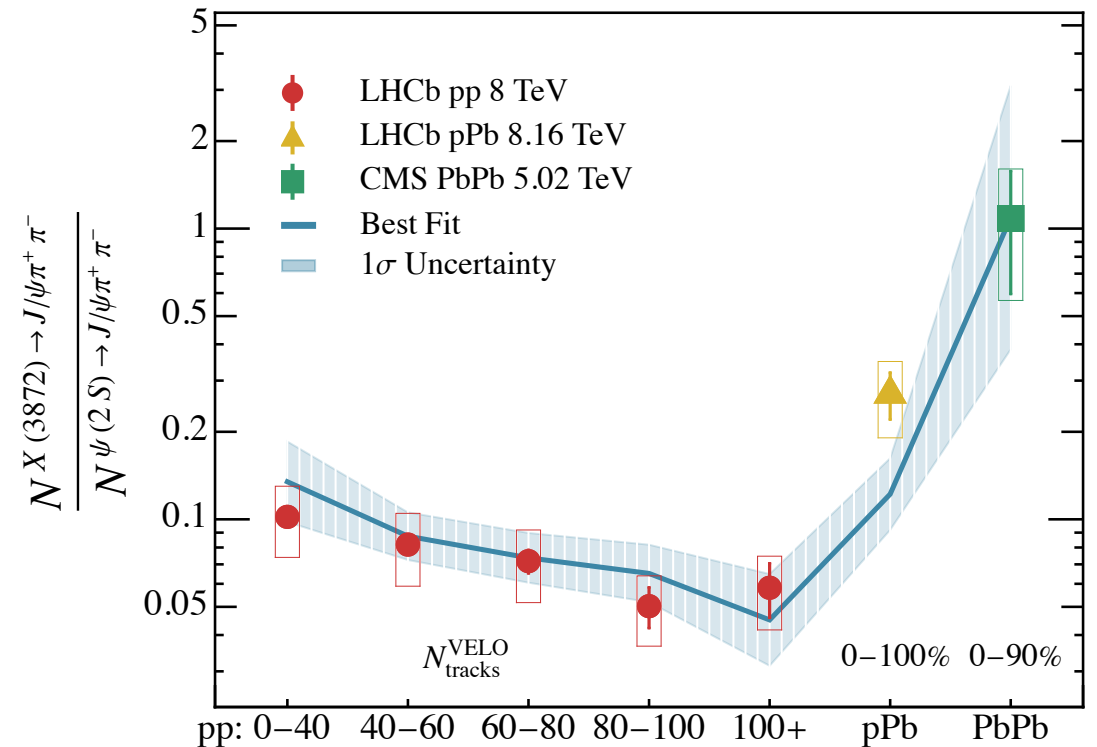


The increase on the ratio can be due to:

1. A larger relative suppression of the $\psi(2S)$ with respect to the exotic hadron.
2. An enhancement of the $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ in high density medium. New theoretical results explain the behaviour of the ratio through *medium-assisted enhancement*.

[arXiv:2302.03828v1 \[hep-ph\] 8 Feb 2023](#)

► Upcoming results on the R_{pPb} of the $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ will help to clarify this.



4. Summary and outlook: Quarkonia and exotic hadron production in $p\text{Pb}$ collisions at LHCb.

- So far, LHCb has measured the production of J/ψ and $\Upsilon(nS)$ at 5 and 8 TeV and the production of $\psi(2S)$ at 5TeV. ► **Upcoming results at 8TeV!**
- The prompt-production cross-section ratio $\sigma(\chi_{c2})/\sigma(\chi_{c1})$ has been measured at 8 TeV ► **Ongoing efforts to measure $\sigma(\chi_c \rightarrow J/\psi)/\sigma(J/\psi)$ at 8TeV!**
- Measurements of charmonia and bottomonia in $p\text{Pb}$ show **stronger suppression with respect to pp of excited states, with lower binding energy**. This effect is better reproduced by models with final-state effects.
- The prompt-production cross-section ratio $\sigma(\chi_{c1}(3872))/\sigma(\psi(2S))$ has been measured at 8 TeV. It constitutes the first measurement of the **exotic hadron $\chi_{c1}(3872)$** in $p\text{Pb}$ collisions. ► **Upcoming results on the $R_{p\text{Pb}}$ of the $\chi_{c1}(3872)$!**

Backup

1. Motivation.

Quarkonia production in heavy ion collisions.

In heavy ion collisions, in which high energy densities are achieved, the formation of Quark Gluon Plasma is expected.



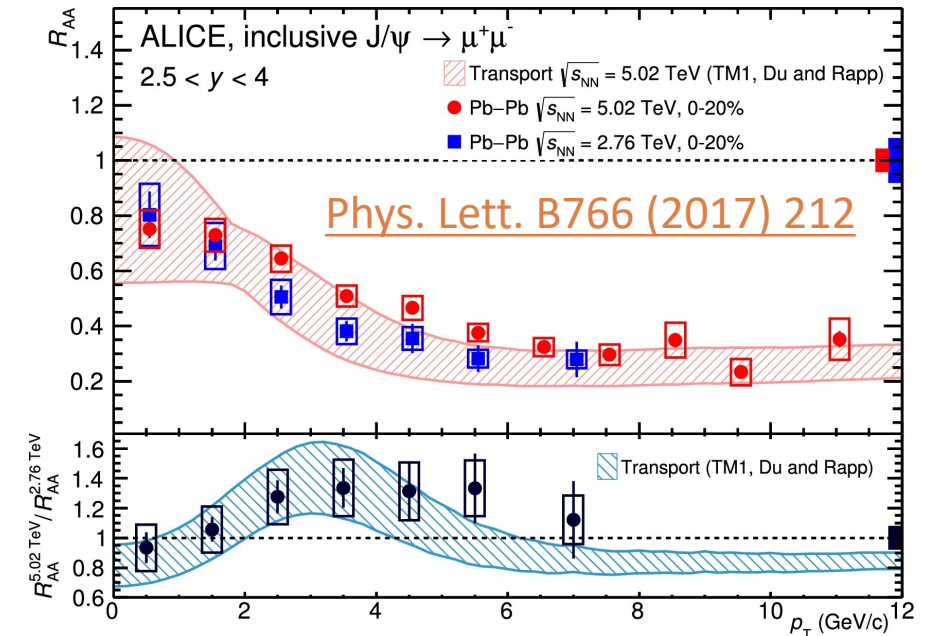
Colour screening prevents heavy flavour ($q\bar{q}$) from hadronising



Charmonium ($\bar{c}c$) and bottonium ($\bar{b}b$) suppression with respect to pp collisions.

This suppression is generally quantified by the nuclear modification factor:

$$R_{AA} \propto \frac{d^2\sigma_{AA}/dydp_T}{d^2\sigma_{pp}/dydp_T}$$

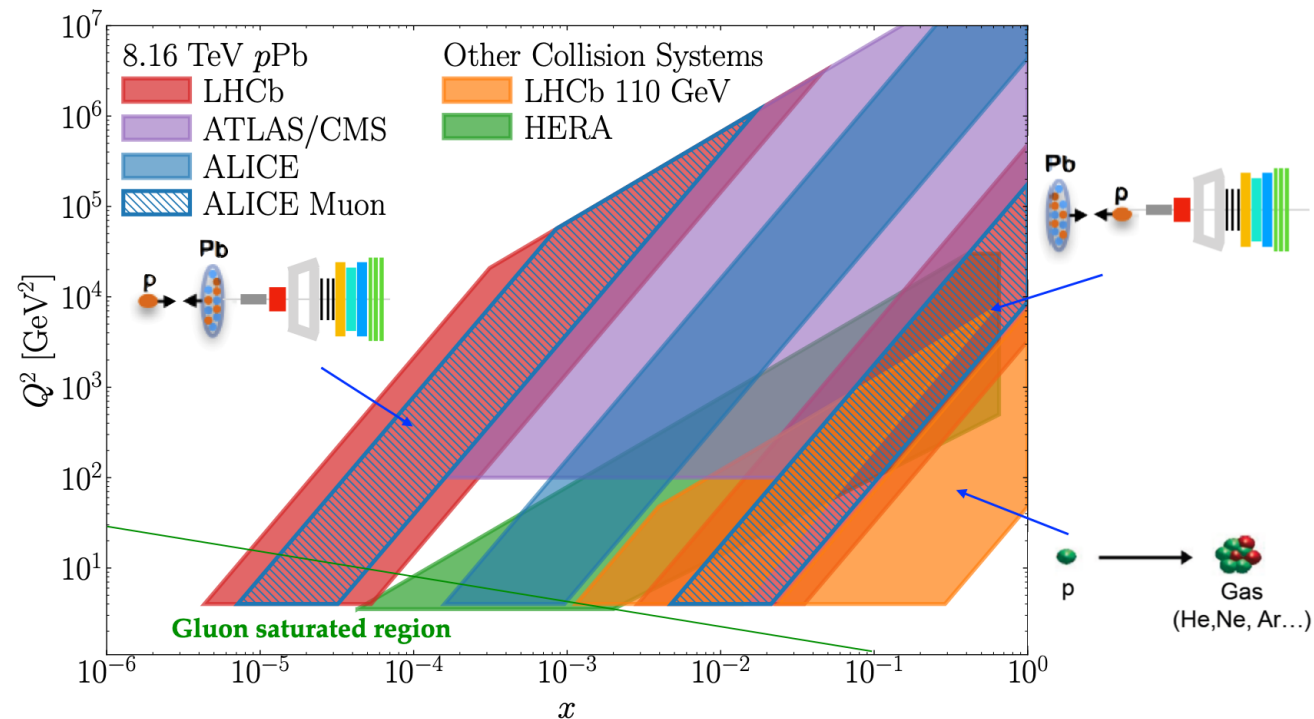


2. The LHCb experiment. More than *beauty*.

p Pb and Pb p collisions are asymmetric:
there is a centre-of-mass rapidity shift

$$\Delta y = \pm 0.465.$$

- p Pb $1.5 < y^* < 4.0 \Rightarrow x \sim 10^{-6}$,
- Pb p $-5.0 < y^* < -2.5 \Rightarrow x \sim 10^{-2}$.



Binding energies

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observed stable charmonium states are summarized in table 1 and the corresponding bottomonium ($b\bar{b}$) states in table 2. The binding energies ΔE listed there are the differences between the quarkonium masses and the open charm or beauty threshold, respectively.

state	η_c	J/ψ	χ_{c0}	χ_{c1}	χ_{c2}	ψ'
mass [GeV]	2.98	3.10	3.42	3.51	3.56	3.69
ΔE [GeV]	0.75	0.64	0.32	0.22	0.18	0.05

Table 1: Charmonium states and binding energies

state	Υ	χ_{b0}	χ_{b1}	χ_{b2}	Υ'	χ'_{b0}	χ'_{b1}	χ'_{b2}	Υ''
mass [GeV]	9.46	9.86	9.89	9.91	10.02	10.23	10.26	10.27	10.36
ΔE [GeV]	1.10	0.70	0.67	0.64	0.53	0.34	0.30	0.29	0.20

Table 2: Bottomonium states and binding energies

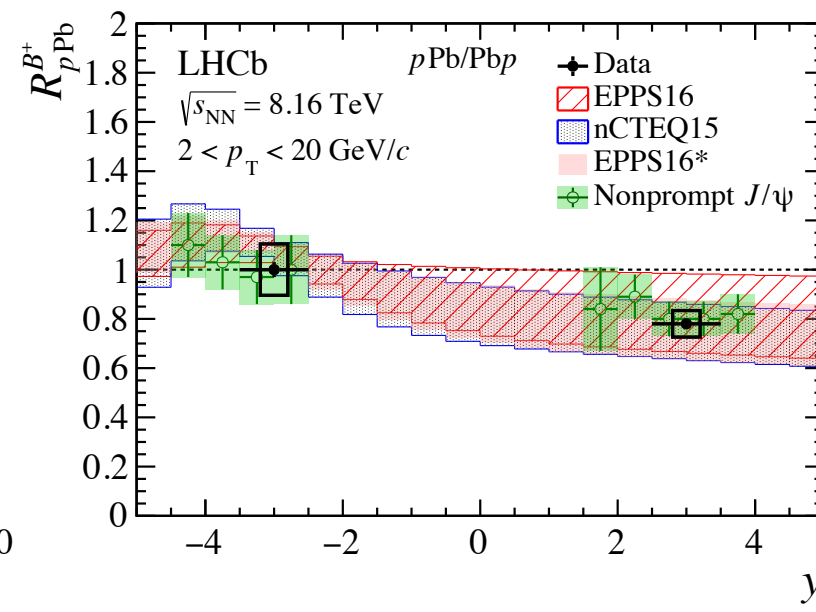
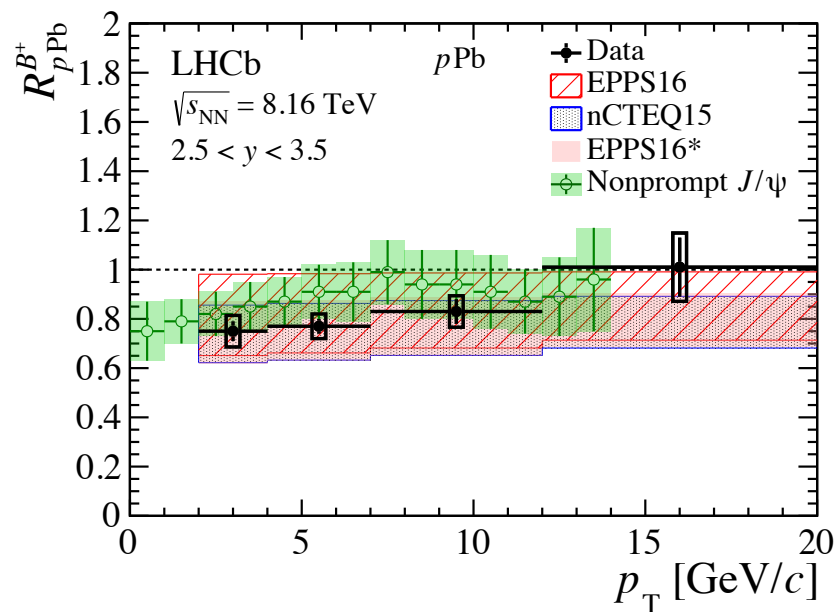
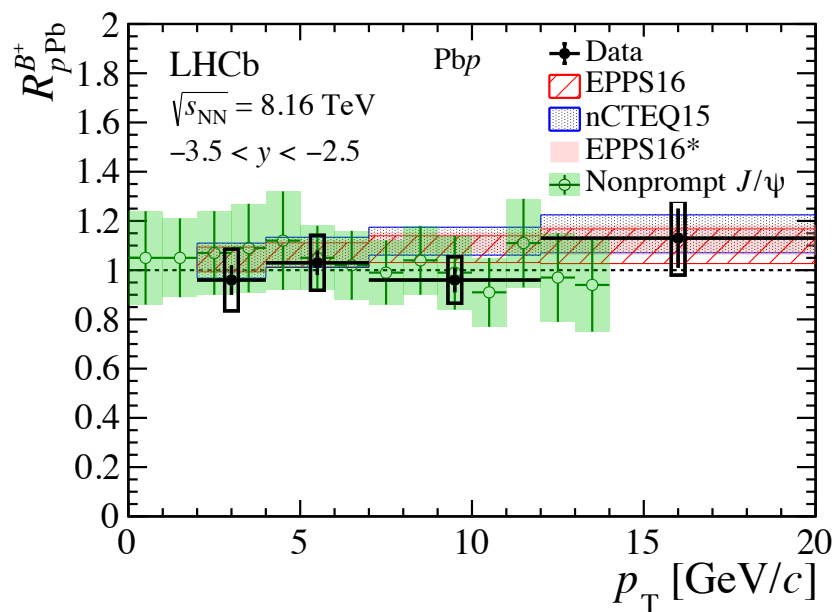
J/ψ production at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV and $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8$ TeV.

R_{pPb} for non-prompt J/ψ :

- Less suppression but similar trend to prompt measurements (higher suppression at forward rapidity and low p_T).
- Compatible with the more recent measurements of B^+ production.

The results are compared to HELAC-Onia event generator with different nPDFs:

- **EPPS16, EPPS16***,
- **nCTEQ15.**



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Υ production at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8$ TeV.

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- The ratio of $\Upsilon(1S)$ to non-prompt J/ψ (open beauty) in pp and pPb are compatible within uncertainty for backward collisions, but there is a **small suppression at forward rapidity**.
 \Rightarrow hints of different final CNM effects affecting bottonium production

