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# Heavy Flavours and Quarkonia in ALICE

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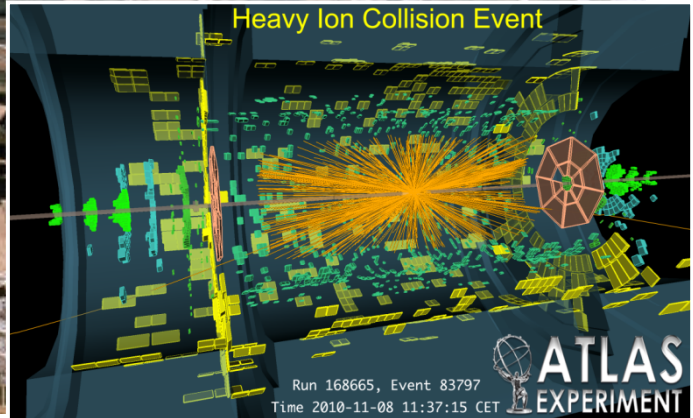
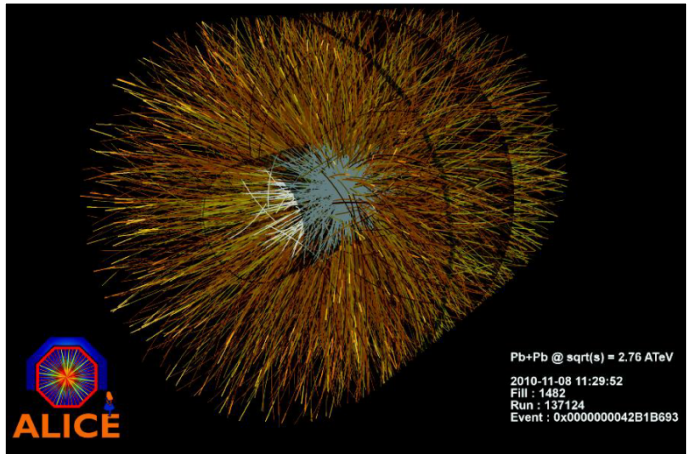
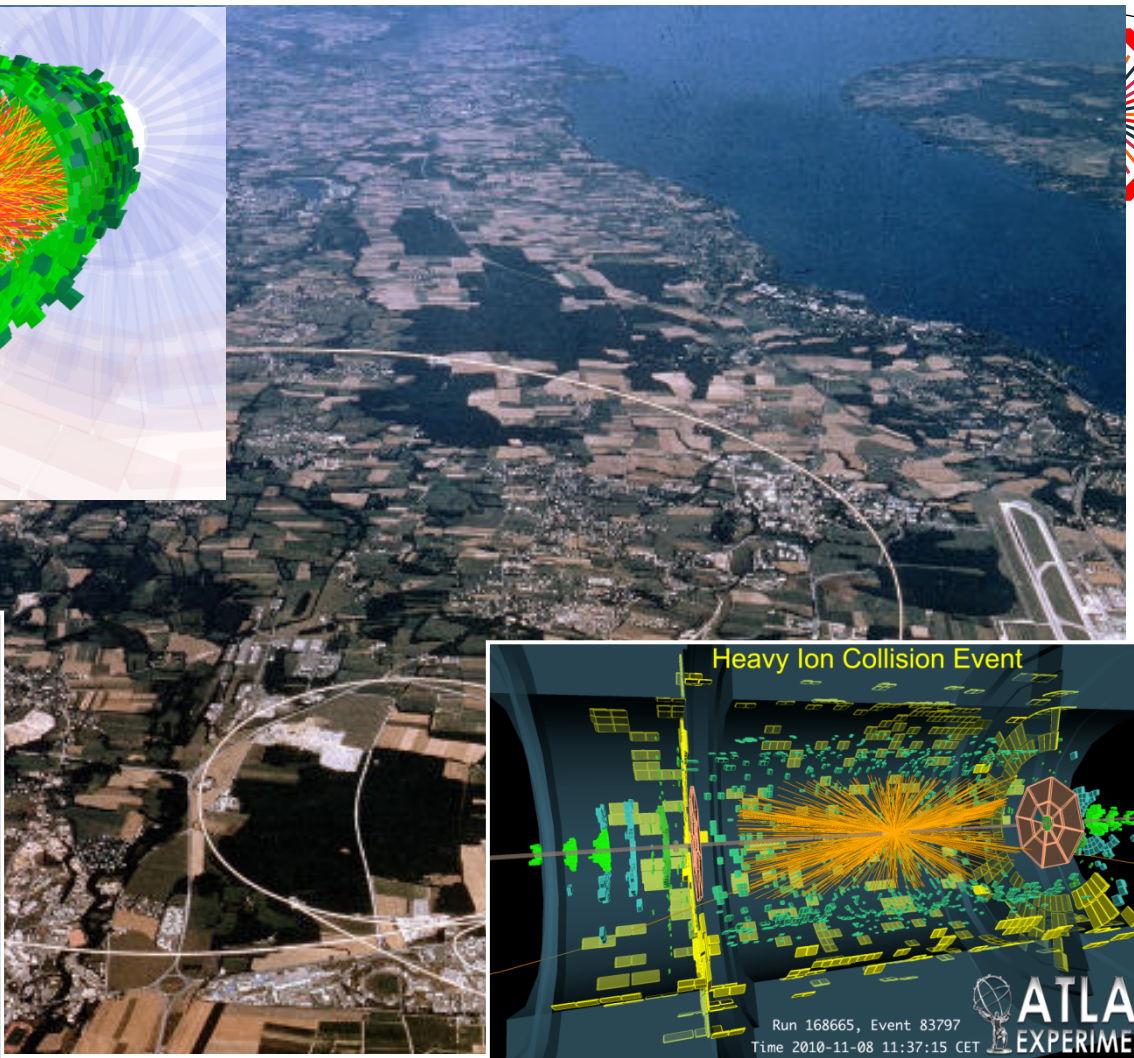
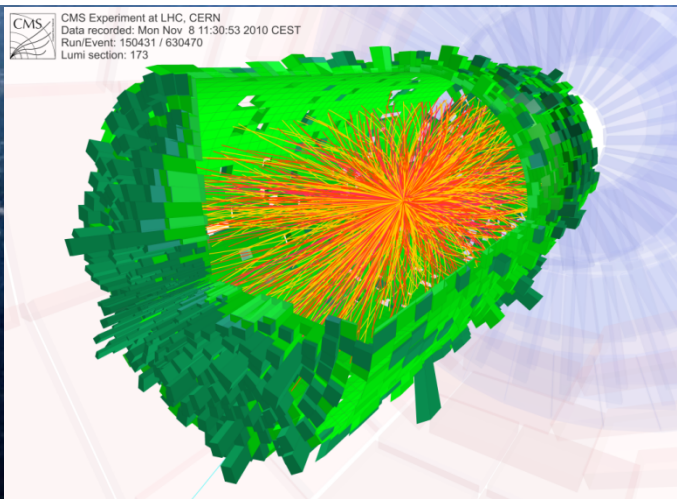
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# Outlook



- Introduction
- Heavy Flavours in Heavy Ion Collisions
- Quarkonium in Heavy Ion Collisions
- The ALICE experiment
  - ✓ HF and Quarkonium with the ALICE experiment
- Experimental results with
  - ✓ Pb-Pb collisions
  - ✓ pPb collisions
- Conclusions



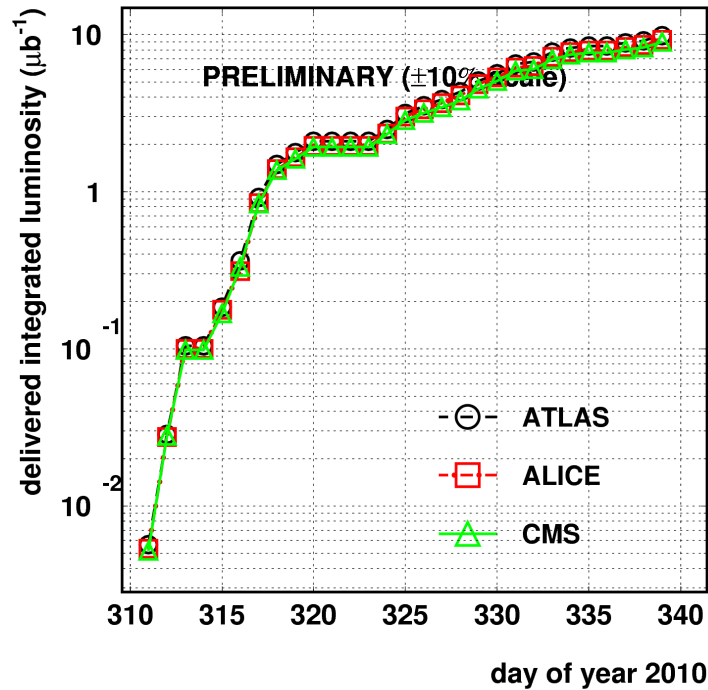
- Heavy Ion programme at the LHC started on Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> 2010 with Pb-Pb collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.76$  TeV
- Big jump in energy w.r.t. RHIC:  $13.8 \times \sqrt{s_{NN}}$
- 3 experiments: ALICE, ATLAS and CMS

# Heavy Ions at the LHC

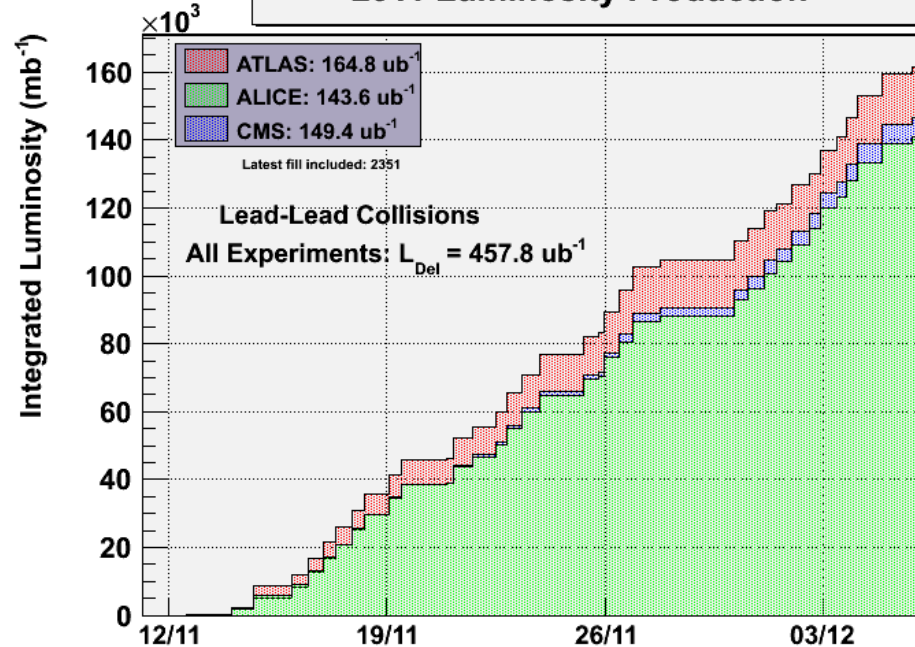


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### LHC 2010 HI RUN (3.5 Z TeV/beam)



### 2011 Luminosity Production

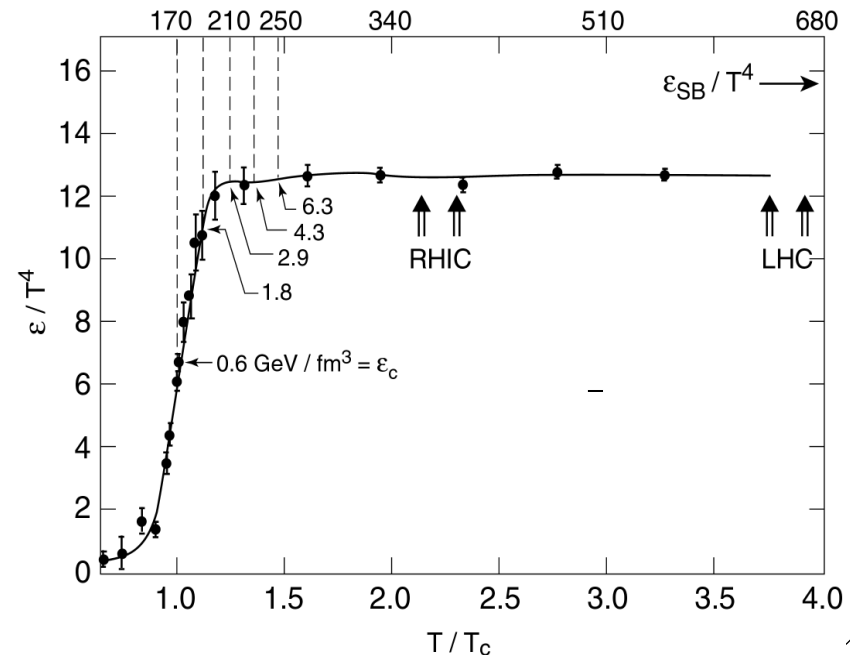
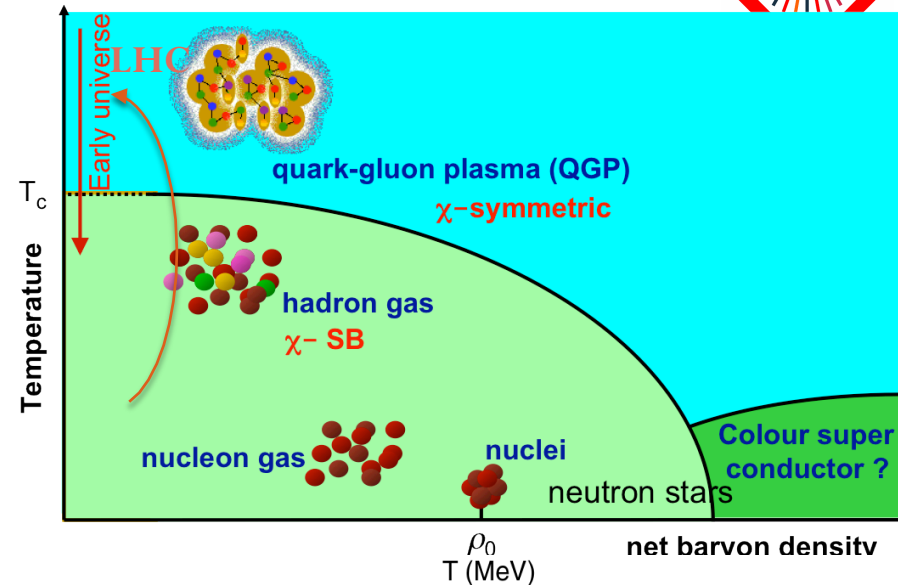


- The LHC delivered an integrated luminosity of  $10 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$  in 2010 and  $\sim 150 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$  in 2011

# Why Heavy Ions



- First phase diagram for nuclear matter: Cabibbo, Parisi PL B59 (1975): “We suggest ... a different phase of the vacuum in which quarks are not confined”
- T.D. Lee (1975) suggested to distribute a high amount of energy over a relatively large volume
- So: collisions of nuclei at very high energy
  - ✓ Temperature of the produced “fireball”  $O(10^{12}$  K)
    - $10^5 \times T$  of the centre of the Sun
    - $\approx T$  of the Universe  $10^{-5}$  s after Big Bang
- Study nuclear matter at extreme conditions of temperature and density
  - ✓ Collect evidence for a state where quarks and gluons are deconfined (Quark Gluon Plasma) and study its properties
  - ✓ Phase transition predicted by Lattice QCD calculations
    - $T_C \approx 170$  MeV  $\rightarrow \epsilon_C \approx 0.6$  GeV/fm<sup>3</sup>



# Nucleus-Nucleus collision: a process



## Freeze-out:

- Chemical: particle composition is fixed (no more inel. Collisions) →  $T_{ch} \approx 170$  MeV (RHIC)
- Thermal: momentum spectra are fixed (no more elastic collisions) →  $T_{fo} \approx 110 \div 130$  MeV

## Soft processes:

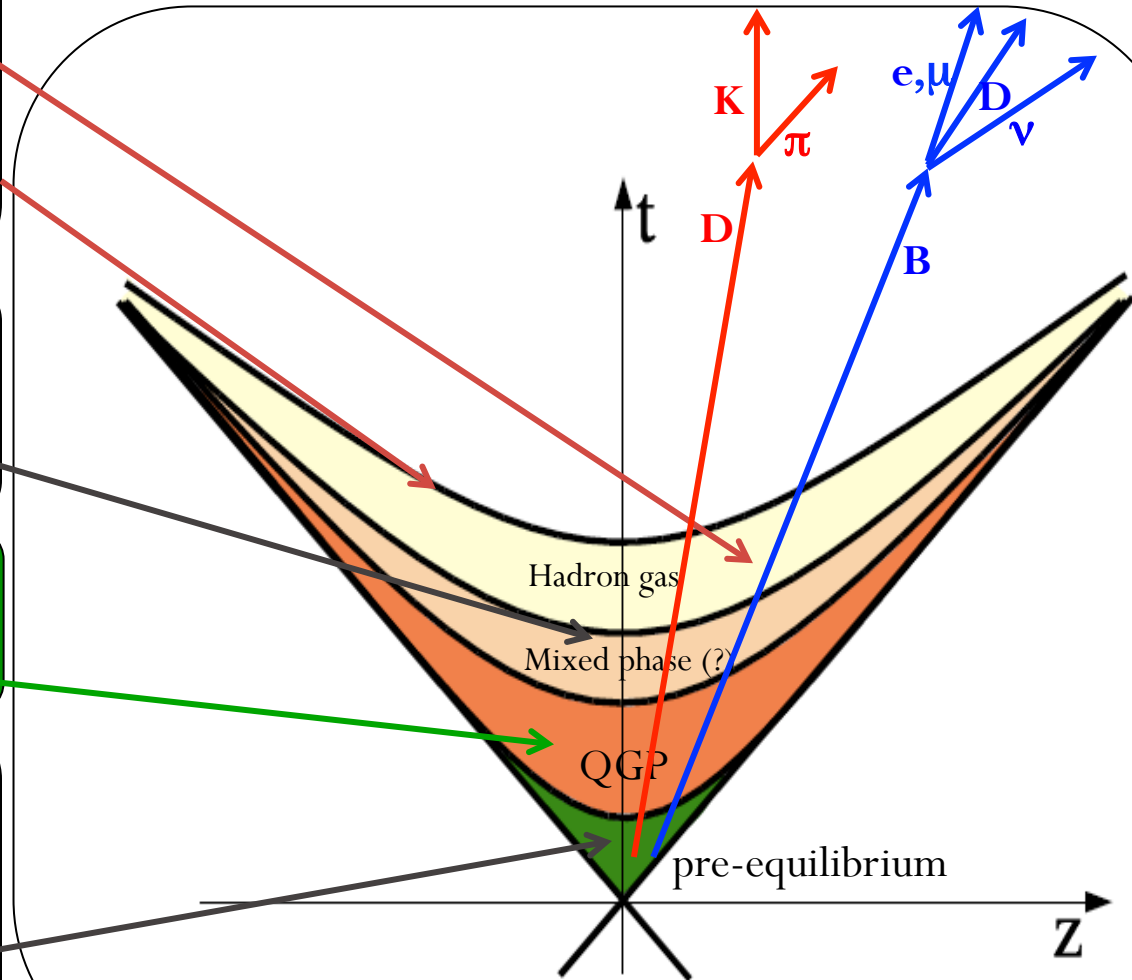
- high cross section
- Decouple late - indirect signals for QGP

Photons (real and virtual):  
insensitive to the hadronization  
phase

## Hard processes:

- Charm**, Beauty, Jets
- Probe the whole evolution of the collision
- Thermalization time (RHIC)

$$\tau_{th} \approx 0.6 \text{ fm}/c$$



# Heavy Flavours in Heavy Ion Collisions

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# Charm & Beauty in HI: why?



- In Heavy Ion (HI) collisions at LHC energies, the QGP phase is expected to have a lifetime  $O(10 \text{ fm}/c)$
- Heavy Quarks are produced in the early stages of the HI collision (  $\Delta t_{charm} \sim 1/m_c \sim 0.1 \text{ fm}/c$  )
  - ✓ They are a natural probe of the hot medium created in HI interactions
- Naively, in HI collision the HQ  $p_T$  spectra should scale with the number of binary nucleon-nucleon collisions
$$dN_{AA}/dp_T = N_{coll} \times dN_{pp}/dp_T$$
- BUT the simple binary scaling is broken by nuclear effects:
  - ✓ Cold nuclear matter effects: Cronin effect, modifications of the PDF in the nuclei
  - ✓ Final state effects: in-medium energy loss, in-medium hadronization(?), collective phenomena (?)



# Heavy Flavours: a physics programme



- A-A collisions
  - ✓ Heavy Flavours are a powerful tool to probe the high density medium via heavy quark **energy loss, flow**, hadronization mechanism ...
- p-p collisions
  - ✓ Reference for quenching studies in AA
  - ✓ Test pQCD predictions in a **new energy regime** ( $3.5 \times \sqrt{s_{\text{TEVATRON}}}$ )
  - ✓ Probe an unexplored region of **small Bjorken x** with charm at low  $p_T$  and/or forward rapidity
- p-A collisions
  - ✓ Address cold nuclear matter effects (Cronin enhancement, nuclear PDFs)

# Charm (& Beauty): the p-p baseline



- Heavy Flavours are produced in high momentum transfer processes
  - ✓ cross sections at parton level can be computed with pQCD
  - ✓ cross sections in pp collisions can be computed assuming factorization between pQCD and non-pQCD processes
- Once the baseline is established, the deviations from the binary scaling can be ascribed to nuclear effects

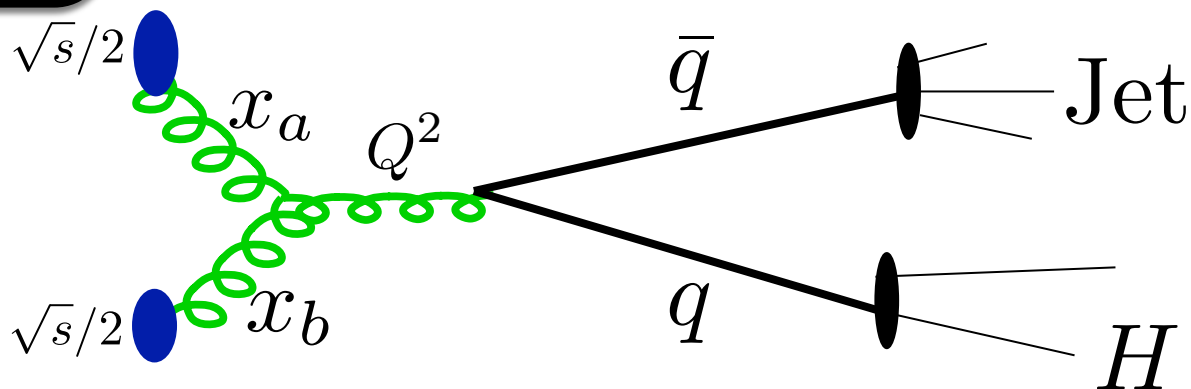
$$\sigma_{hh \rightarrow Hx} = \text{PDF}(x_a, Q^2) \text{PDF}(x_b, Q^2) \otimes \sigma_{ab \rightarrow q\bar{q}} \otimes D_{q \rightarrow H}(z_q, Q^2)$$

Cross section to produce the particle H in hadron-hadron collisions

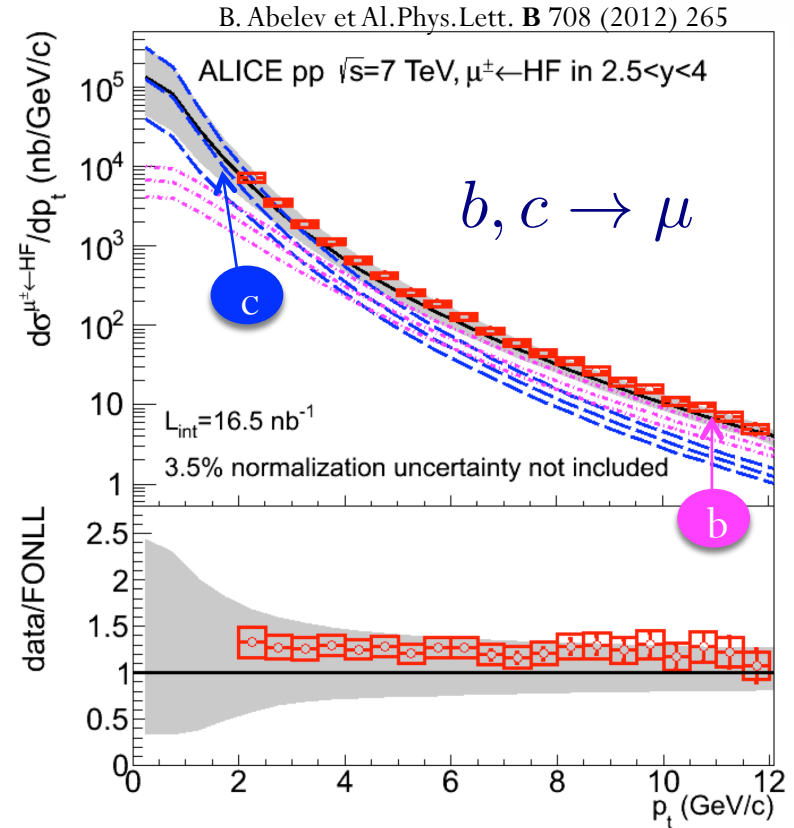
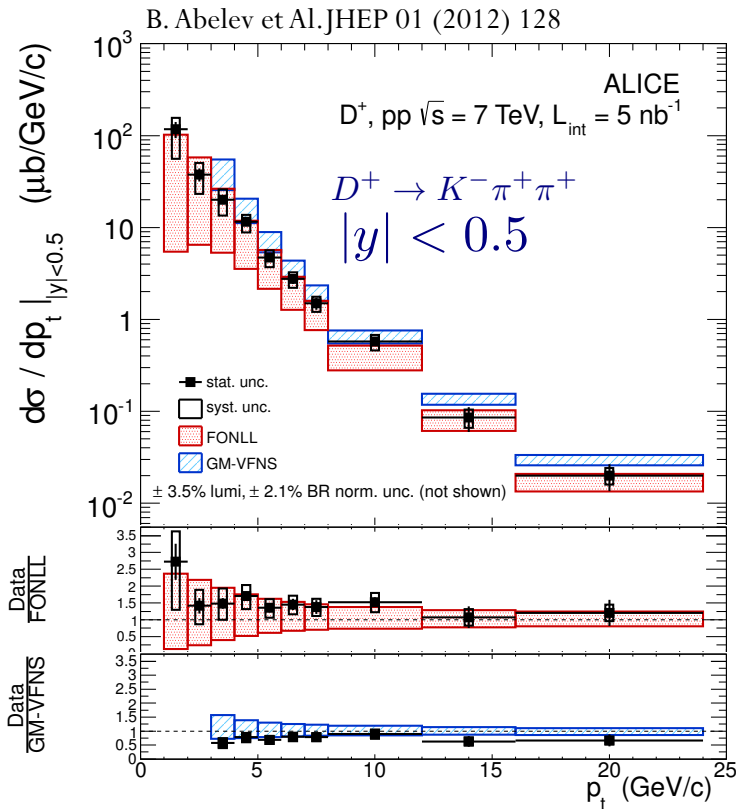
Parton distribution functions (non perturbative)

Cross section at parton level (pQCD)

Fragmentation function (non perturbative)



# The baseline: HF in pp @ 7 TeV

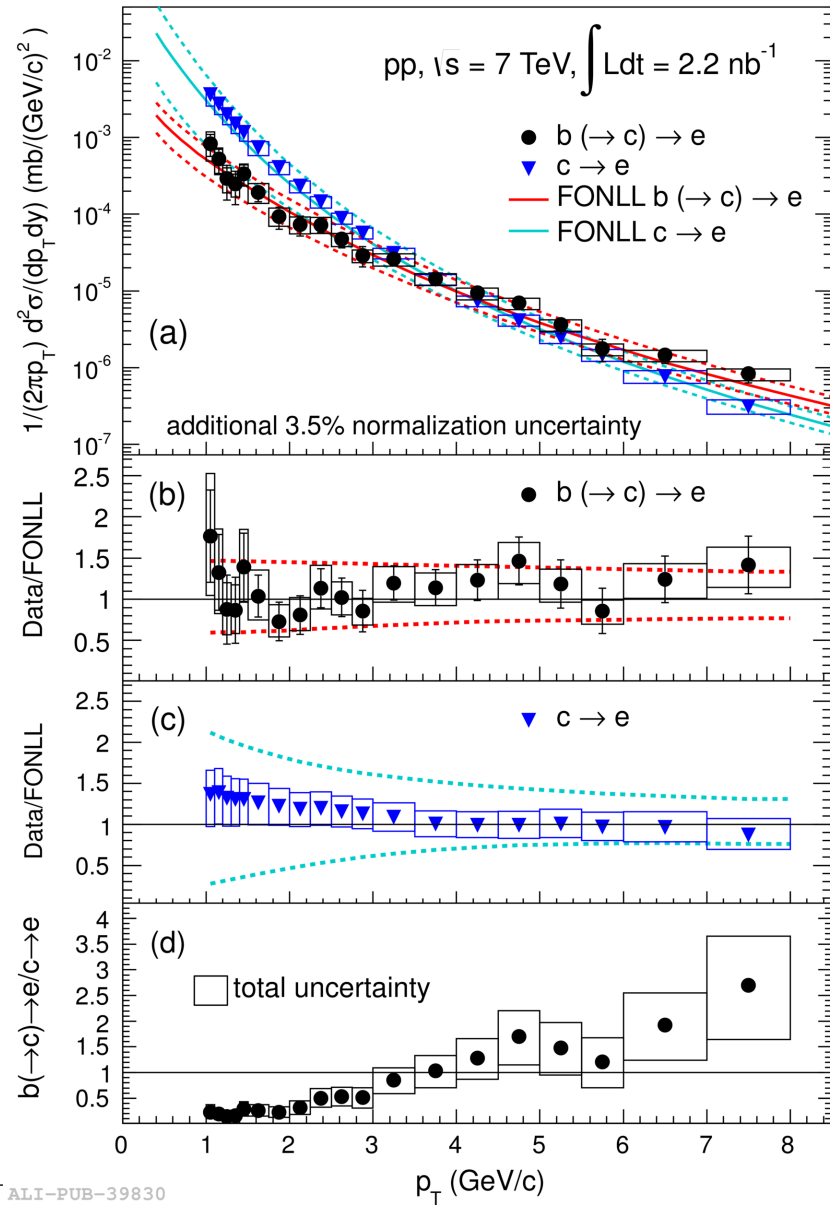


- The pp baseline is described within the errors by NLO pQCD calculations (B feed down corrected with FONLL)
- According to FONLL  $\mu \leftarrow b$  predominates for  $p_T > 6 \text{ GeV}/c$  (the expected  $\mu \leftarrow c$  contribution is  $\sim 40\%$  for  $p_T = 6 \text{ GeV}/c$ )

# The baseline: HF in pp @ 7 TeV



- Single electron data from HF decays are in agreement with ATLAS measurements at high  $p_T$  on a wider rapidity domain
- Electrons from beauty hadron decays were selected based on the displacement of the decay vertex from the collision vertex.
- The results (*Physics Letters B 721 (2013) 13–23*) show that also at low  $p_T$  the beauty and charm production are in agreement with the pQCD predictions



# Energy loss in coloured medium

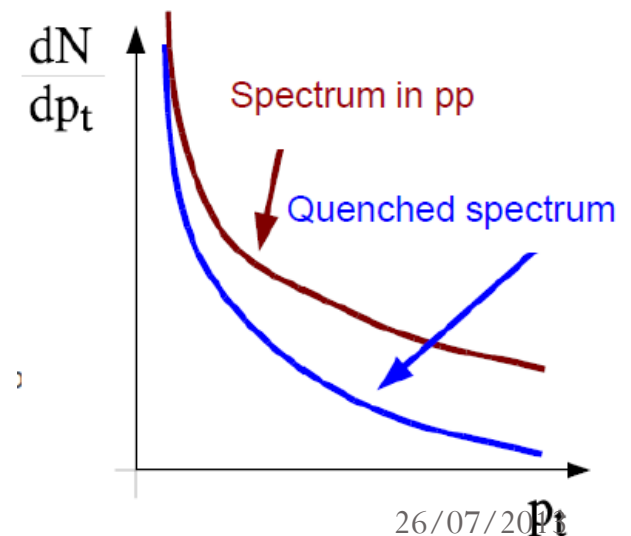
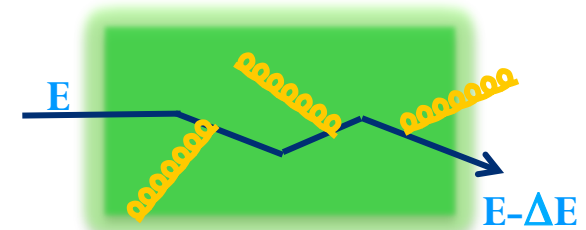


- Partons are expected to lose energy while traversing a deconfined medium via gluon radiation and elastic collisions with partonic constituents
  - ✓ see, e.g. arXiv:0902.2011[nucl-ex], Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys 66 (2011) 41-
- Basic experimental observable:

**nuclear modification factor**  $R_{AA}$

$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{1}{\langle N_{coll} \rangle} \frac{dN_{AA} / dp_T}{dN_{pp} / dp_T}$$

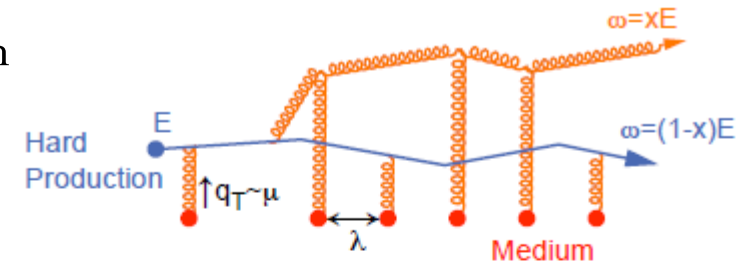
- ✓ The reduction in the parton energy translates to a reduction in the average momentum of the produced hadron, i.e. to a reduction of the yield at high  $p_T$  wrt pp collisions  $\rightarrow R_{AA} < 1$



# Radiative energy loss



- Gluon radiation expected to be the main mechanism of energy loss
  - ✓ The amount of energy lost is sensitive to:
    - the medium properties (density)
    - the path-length (L) of the parton in deconned matter
    - the properties of the parton probing the medium
  - ✓ Several models are available
  - ✓ e.g. in BDMPS approach:



$$\langle \Delta E \rangle \propto \alpha_s C_R \hat{q} L^2$$

Casimir factor

- 3 for gg interactions
- 4/3 for qg interactions

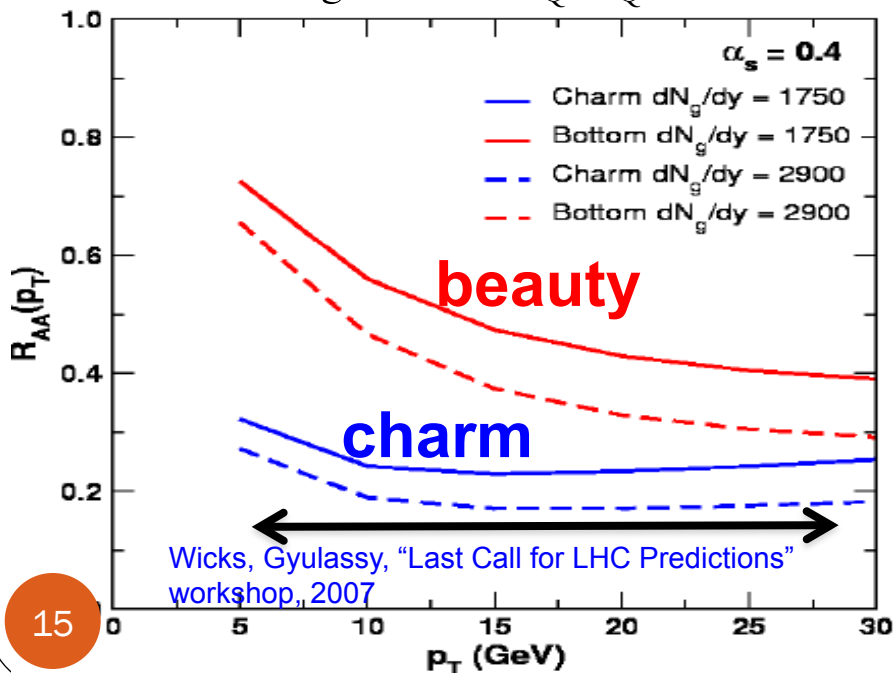
$q$  = transport coefficient, related to the medium characteristics and to the gluon density  $dN_g/dy$

En. loss is proportional to  $L^2$ , taking into account the probability to emit a breemstrahlung gluon and the fact that radiated colored gluons can interact themselves with the medium

# Heavy quark energy loss



- Radiative energy loss of charm and beauty quarks expected to be smaller ( $\rightarrow$  higher  $R_{AA}$ ) wrt light hadrons due to:
  - ✓ Casimir factor (**color charge** dependence)
    - $C_F = 3$  for gg interactions,  $4/3$  for qg interactions
    - heavy hadrons are mainly produced from heavy quarks jet (while light hadrons are produced from gluon jets)
  - ✓ Dead cone effect (**mass dependence**)
    - Gluon radiation is suppressed for angles  $\vartheta < M_Q/E_Q$



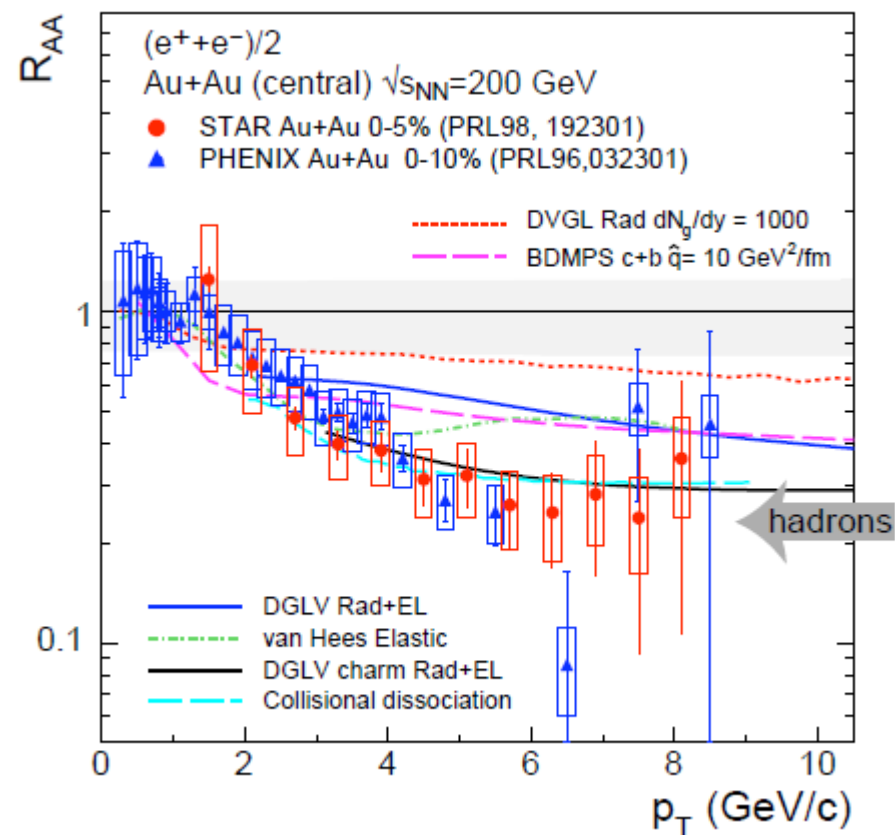
$$\Delta E_{quark} < \Delta E_{gluon}$$

$$\Delta E_{massive\ quark} < \Delta E_{light\ quark}$$

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$$R_{AA}(B) > R_{AA}(D) > R_{AA}(\pi)$$

# RHIC results: $R_{AA}$



- Measurement based on non-photonic electrons
  - ✓ Start from identified electron spectra
    - STAR:  $dE/dx$  in TPC + TOF at low  $p_T$ , EMC at high  $p_T$
    - PHENIX: combined RICH and  $E/p$  (with  $E$  from EM cal)
  - ✓ Reject non-heavy-flavour electrons, mainly “photonic”
    - Gamma conversions
    - Dalitz decay of  $\pi^0$  and  $\eta$
  - ✓ STAR also did exclusive reconstruction of  $D^0$  from hadronic decays

- Non-photonic electrons show suppression similar to that of light hadrons

⇒ A challenge for theory: models that work for light hadrons overestimate  $R_{AA}$  of non-photonic electrons



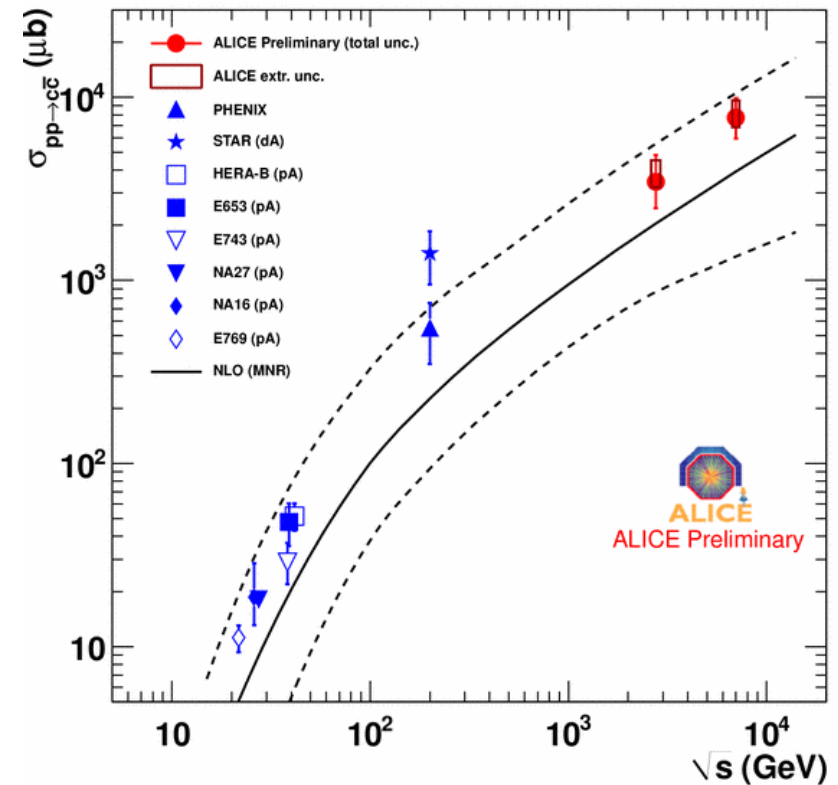


# What can we learn at the LHC

- Higher c and b cross sections:
  - ✓ More abundant heavy flavour production
  - ✓ Better precision (reduced errors)

$$\sigma_{LHC}^{c\bar{c}} \approx 10 \cdot \sigma_{RHIC}^{c\bar{c}}$$
$$\sigma_{LHC}^{b\bar{b}} \approx 100 \cdot \sigma_{RHIC}^{b\bar{b}}$$

- High precision vertex detectors
  - ✓ Background removal
  - ✓ Separate c and b



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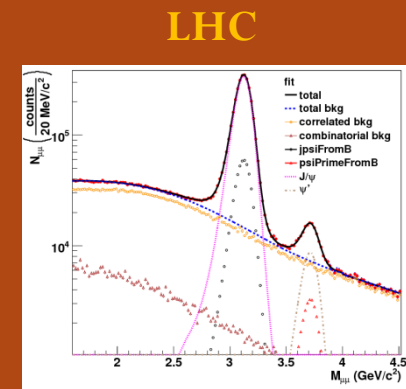
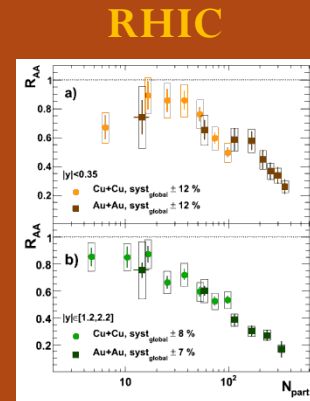
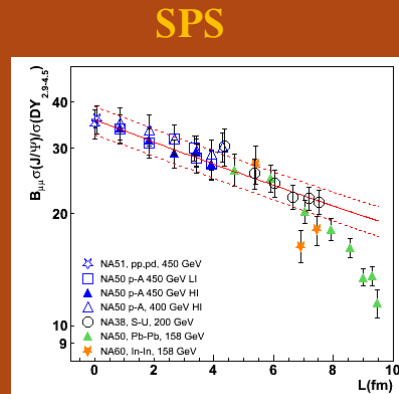
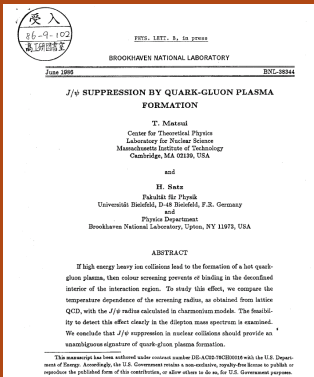
# Quarkonium in Heavy Ion Collisions

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# Quarkonium

- Quarkonium suppression is considered since a long time as one of the most striking signatures for the QGP formation in AA collisions



- ...but, as for the other hard probes, in order to understand quarkonium behaviour in the hot matter (AA collisions), its interactions with the cold nuclear matter should be under control (pA/dAu collisions)



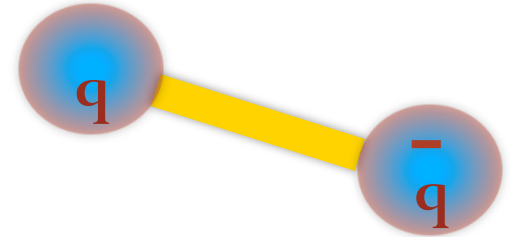
# Quarkonium

- At  $T=0$ , the binding of the  $q$  and the  $\bar{q}$  quarks can be expressed using the Cornell potential:

$$V(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r} + kr$$

Coulombian contribution, induced by a gluon exchange between  $q$  and  $\bar{q}$

Confinement term

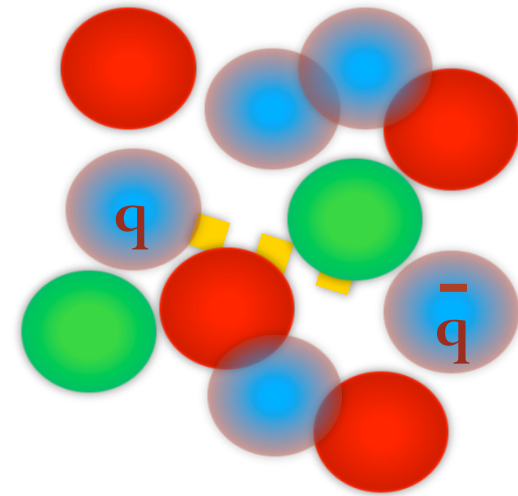


- What happens to a  $q\bar{q}$  pair placed in the QGP?

The QGP consists of deconfined colour charges

→ the binding of a pair is subject to the effects of colour screening

- The “confinement” contribution disappears
- The high colour density induces a screening of the coulombian term of the potential

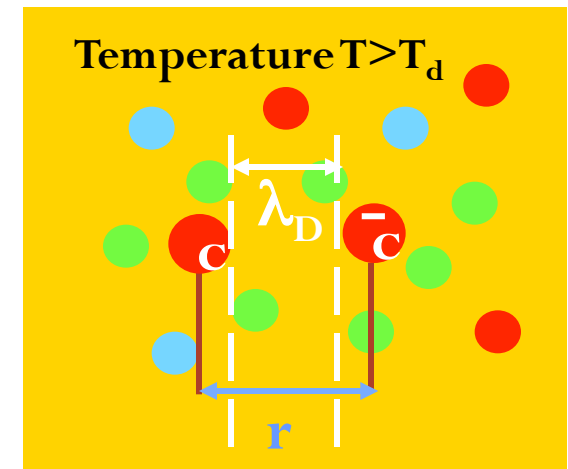
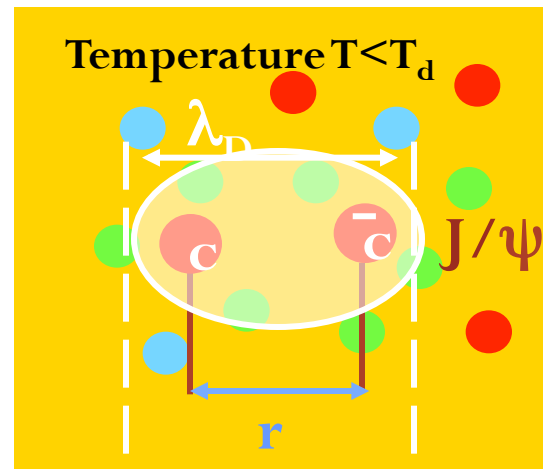
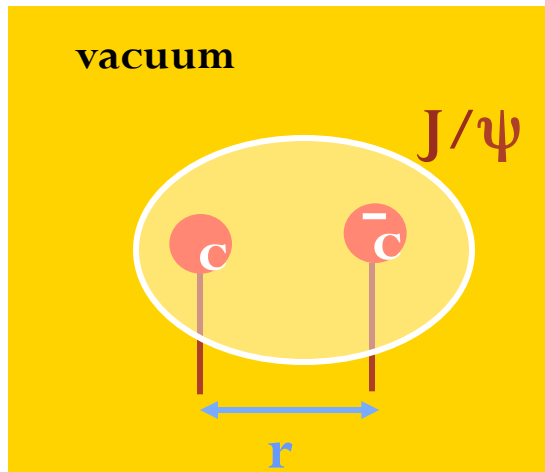


$$V(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r} + kr \longrightarrow V(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r} e^{-r/\lambda_D}$$



# Debye screening

- The screening radius  $\lambda_D(T)$  (i.e. the maximum distance which allows the formation of a bound  $q\bar{q}$  pair) decreases with the temperature  $T$



At a given  $T$ :

if resonance radius  $< \lambda_D(T)$   
→ resonance can be formed

if resonance radius  $> \lambda_D(T)$   
→ no resonance can be formed

# Charmonium suppression



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## $J/\psi$ SUPPRESSION BY QUARK-GLUON PLASMA FORMATION

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### ABSTRACT

If high energy heavy ion collisions lead to the formation of a hot quark-gluon plasma, then colour screening prevents  $c\bar{c}$  binding in the deconfined interior of the interaction region. To study this effect, we compare the temperature dependence of the screening radius, as obtained from lattice QCD, with the  $J/\psi$  radius calculated in charmonium models. The feasibility to detect this effect clearly in the dilepton mass spectrum is examined. We conclude that  $J/\psi$  suppression in nuclear collisions should provide an unambiguous signature of quark-gluon plasma formation.

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This is the idea behind the suggestion (by Matsui and Satz) of the  $J/\psi$  as a signature of QGP formation (27 years ago!)



➔ Very famous paper, cited ~ 1400 times!

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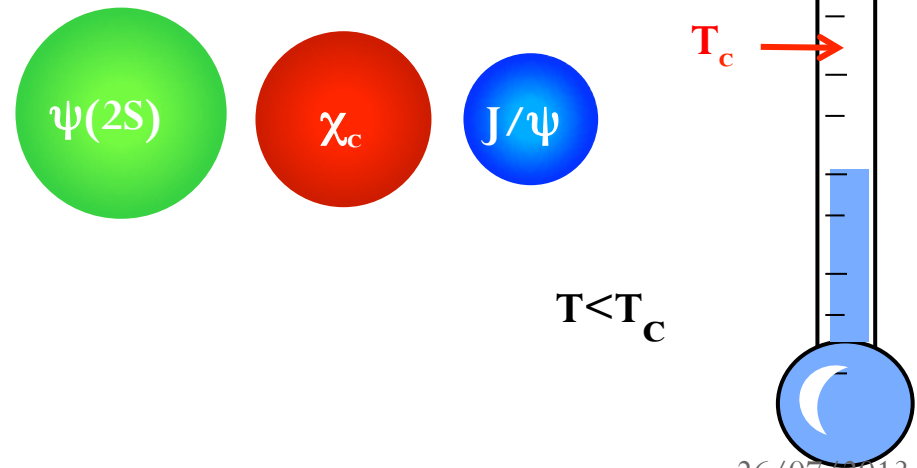
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- The quarkonium states can be characterized by
  - the binding energy
  - radius

- More bound states have smaller size
- Debye screening condition  $r_0 > \lambda_D$  will occur at different T

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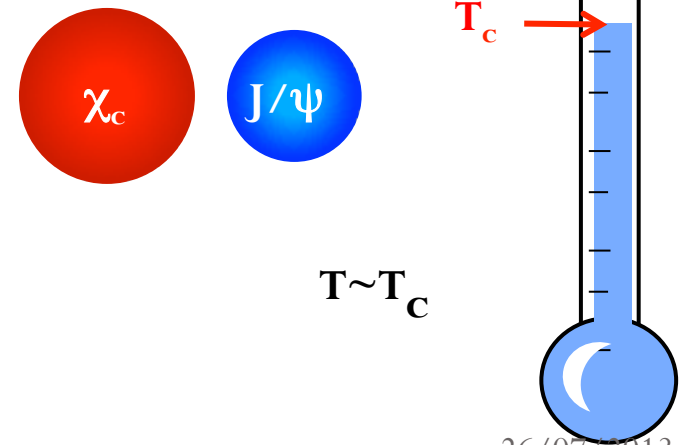
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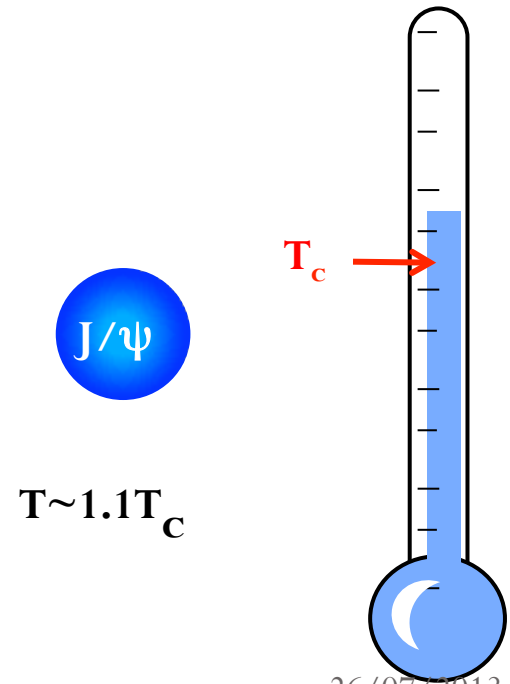
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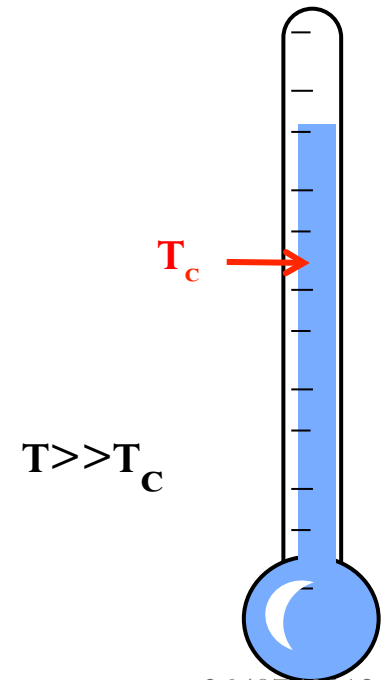
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Sequential suppression of the resonances



thermometer for the temperature reached in the HI collisions



# Quarkonium production and decay

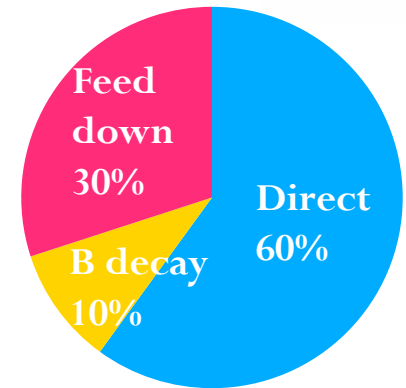


## J/ψ production

Quarkonium production can proceed:

- directly in the interaction of the initial partons
- via the decay of heavier hadrons (feed-down)

For J/ψ (LHC energies) the contributing mechanisms are:

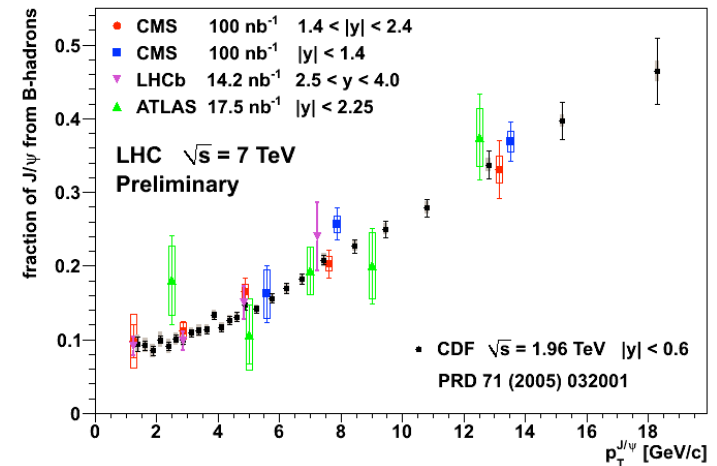


Prompt

- Direct production
- Feed-down from higher charmonium states:  
~ 8% from  $\psi(2S)$ , ~25% from  $\chi_c$

Displaced

- B decay  
contribution is  $p_T$  dependent  
~10% at  $p_T \sim 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c$



## J/ψ decay

J/ψ can be studied through its decays:

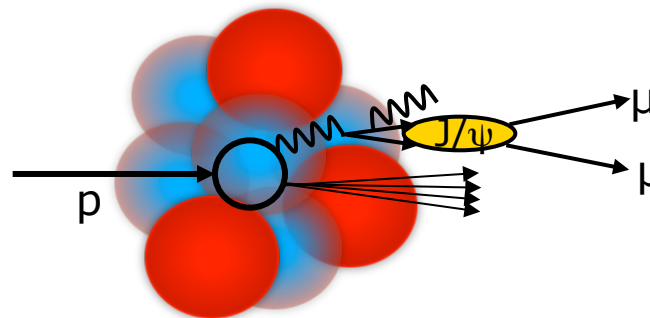


# Quarkonium production in pA

- To understand quarkonium behaviour in the hot medium, it is important to know its behaviour in the cold nuclear matter.
  - this information can be achieved studying pA collisions
- allow the understanding the  $J/\psi$  behaviour in the cold nuclear medium
  - complicate issue, because of many competing mechanisms:

## Initial state

shadowing,  
parton energy loss,  
intrinsic charm



## Final state

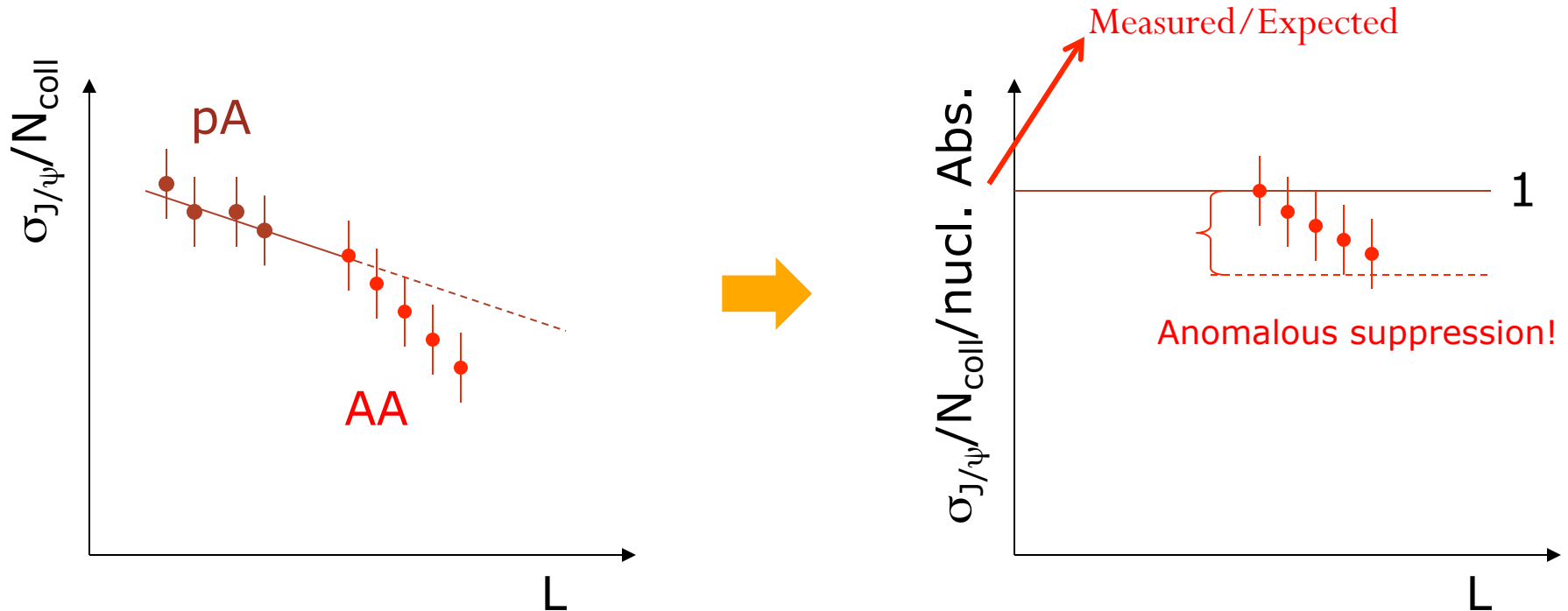
cc dissociation  
in the medium,  
final energy loss

- provide a reference for the study of charmonia dissociation in a hot medium



# Relevance of CNM effects

- The cold nuclear matter effects present in pA collisions are of course present also in AA and can mask genuine QGP effects



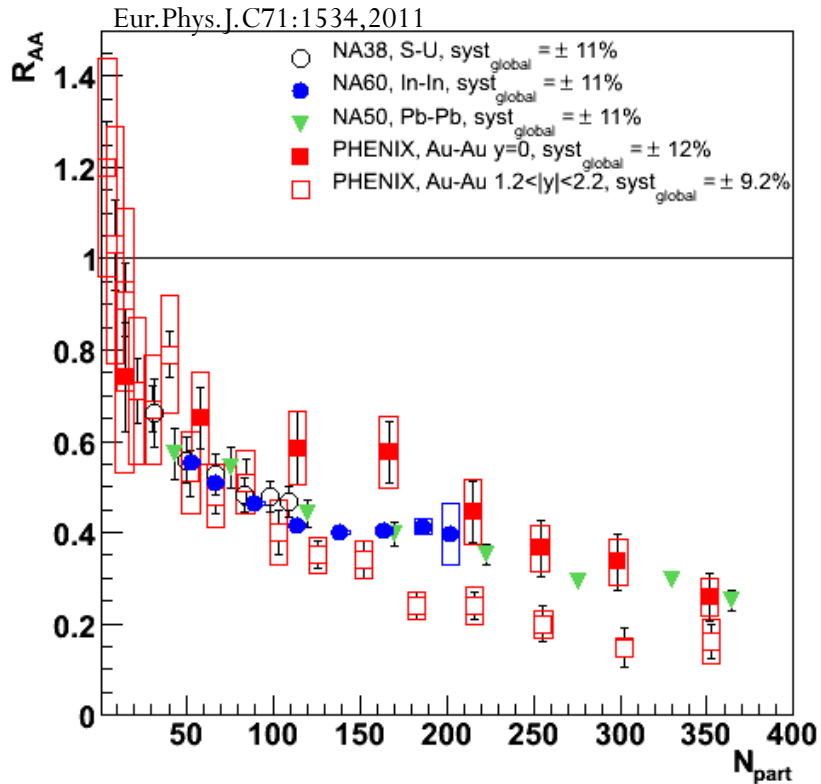
- It is very important to measure cold nuclear matter effects before any claim of an “anomalous” suppression in AA collisions
- CNM, evaluated in pA, are extrapolated to AA, in order to build a reference for the  $J/\psi$  behaviour in hadronic matter

# Expectations at the LHC



Charmonium production deeply investigated at

SPS (NA50, NA60)  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17$  GeV  
 RHIC (PHENIX, STAR)  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV

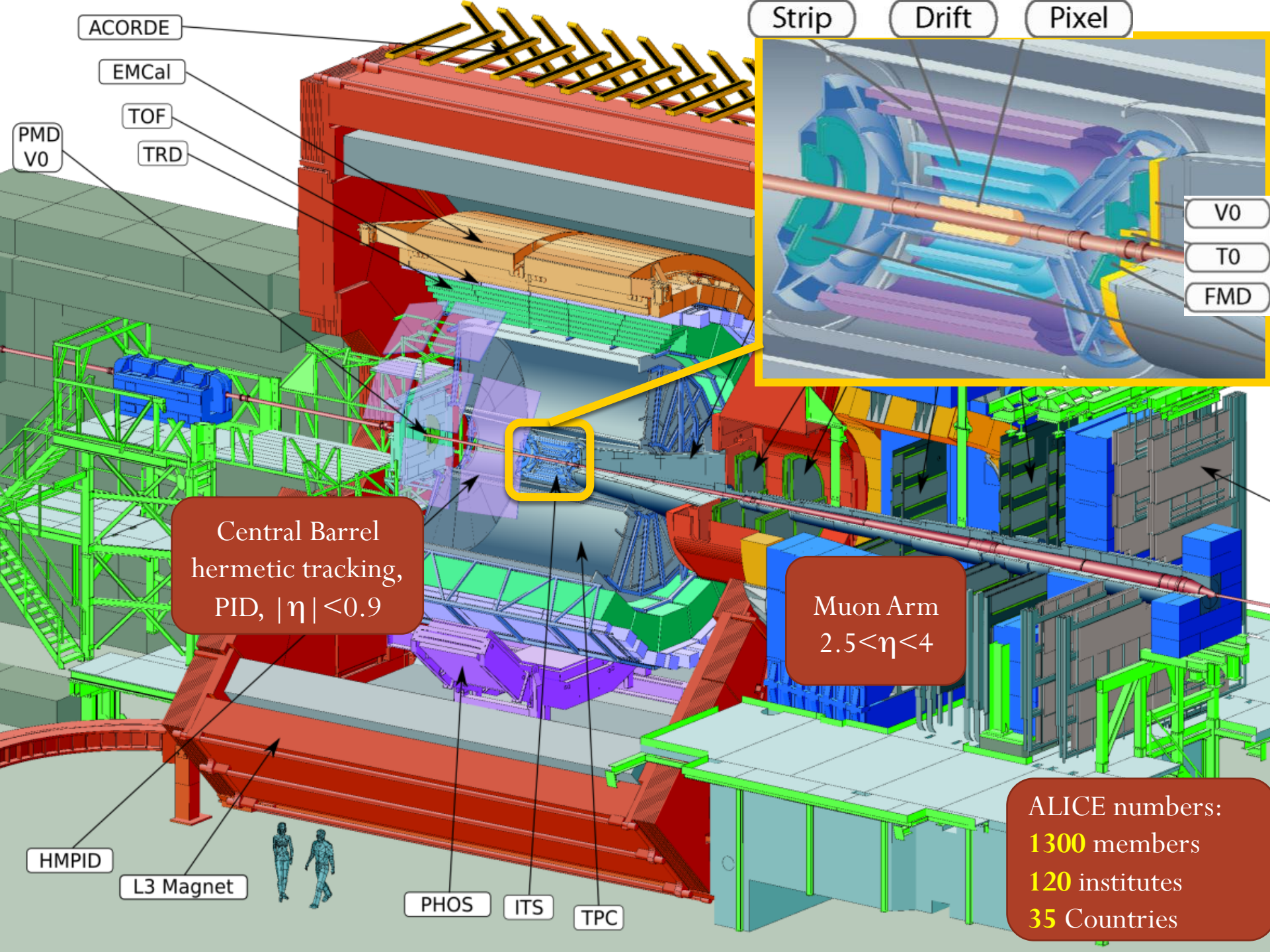


- Observation of  $J/\psi$  suppression
- Puzzles from SPS and RHIC
  - RHIC: stronger suppression at forward rapidities
  - SPS vs. RHIC: similar  $R_{AA}$  pattern versus centrality
- Hint for (re)combination at RHIC?  
 No final theoretical explanation

- Decisive inputs expected from LHC results, having access to:
  - higher energy
  - larger  $c\bar{c}$  multiplicity
  - other quarkonium states (bottomonium)

# The ALICE experiment

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# ALICE mission



- Detector designed primarily for Heavy Ion collisions
  - ✓ Multipurpose: able to address most of the soft and hard probes related to HI physics
  - ✓ Excellent vertexing, tracking and PID capabilities
  - ✓ low material budget at mid-rapidity → well suited to identify low  $p_T$  particles
  - ✓ Design  $dN_{ch}/dy > 6000$
- Also ATLAS and CMS have a Heavy Ion programme
  - ✓ complementary rapidity and  $p_T$  coverage
- In the following I shall concentrate on Heavy Flavour measurements and on quarkonia (mostly through their  $\mu^+\mu^-$  decay channel)



# Heavy flavour hadrons

- Lower mass heavy flavour hadrons decay weakly:
  - ✓ Lifetimes  $\approx 0.5\text{-}2$  ps
  - ✓  $c\tau \approx 100\text{-}500$   $\mu\text{m}$
  - ✓ Decay vertices of open heavy flavour hadrons displaced by hundreds of microns from the interaction (primary) vertex

<i>Hadron</i>	<i>Mass (MeV)</i>	<i><math>c\tau</math> (<math>\mu\text{m}</math>)</i>	<i>Hadron</i>	<i>Mass (MeV)</i>	<i><math>c\tau</math> (<math>\mu\text{m}</math>)</i>
$D^+(c\bar{d})$	1869	312	$B^+(u\bar{b})$	5279	501
$D^0(c\bar{u})$	1865	123	$B^0(d\bar{b})$	5279	460
$D_s^+(c\bar{s})$	1968	147	$B_s^0(s\bar{b})$	5370	438
$\Lambda_c^+(udc)$	2285	60	$B_c^0(c\bar{b})$	$\approx 6400$	100 – 200
$\Xi_c^+(usc)$	2466	132	$\Lambda_b^0(udb)$	5624	368
$\Xi_c^0(dsc)$	2472	34			
$\Omega_c^0(ssc)$	2698	21			



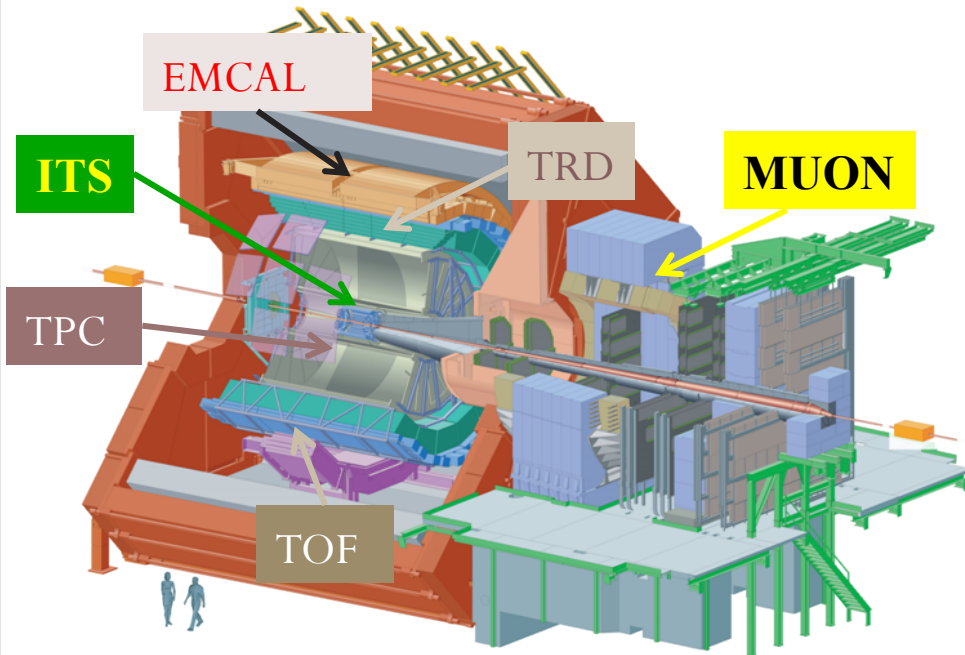
# Decay modes

- Large semi-leptonic branching ratio, typically 10%
  - ✓  $\sim 10\%$  of heavy flavour hadrons gives  $e^\pm$  in final state (and  $\sim 10\% \mu^\pm$ )
- Charm hadrons have large branching ratios to kaons
  - ✓ e.g.  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- + X$  BR  $\sim 55\%$
  - ✓ Golden channels for exclusive reconstruction

<i>Meson</i>	<i>Final state</i>	<i># charged bodies</i>	<i>Branching Ratio</i>
$D^0$	$\rightarrow K^- \pi^+$	2	3.87%
	$\rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	4	8.07%
$D^+$	$\rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ (non-resonant or via $K^*(892)^0 \pi^+$ )	3	9.13%
$D^{*+}$	$\rightarrow D^0 \pi^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$	3	67.7% * 3.87%
$D_s^+$	$\rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+$ (via the resonant channel $\phi \pi^+$ )	3	2.28%
$\Lambda_c^+$	$\rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$ (non-resonant or via $\Delta^{++}$ , $\Lambda(1520)$ $K^*(892)^0$ )	3	5.0%



# Heavy flavours with ALICE



ITS: vertexing + tracking

TPC: tracking + PID ( $\pi$ , K, e)

TOF: PID ( $\pi$ , K, p)

TRD: PID ( $\pi$ , e)

EMCAL: PID (e)

MUON:  $\mu$  tracking + PID

- Open charm from hadronic decays at central rapidity



- Open charm and open beauty from semileptonic decays



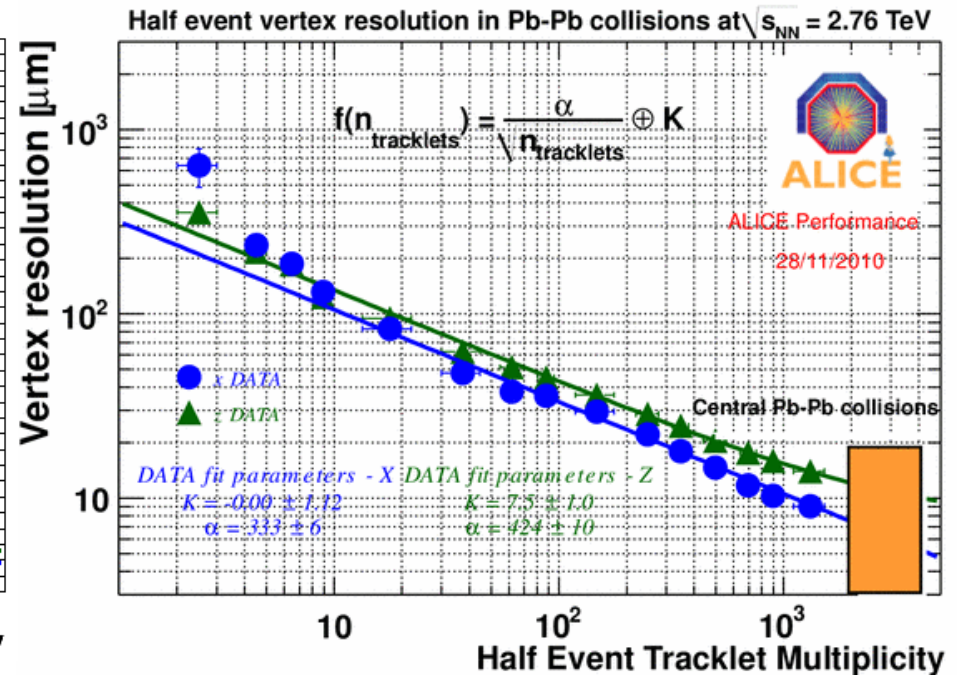
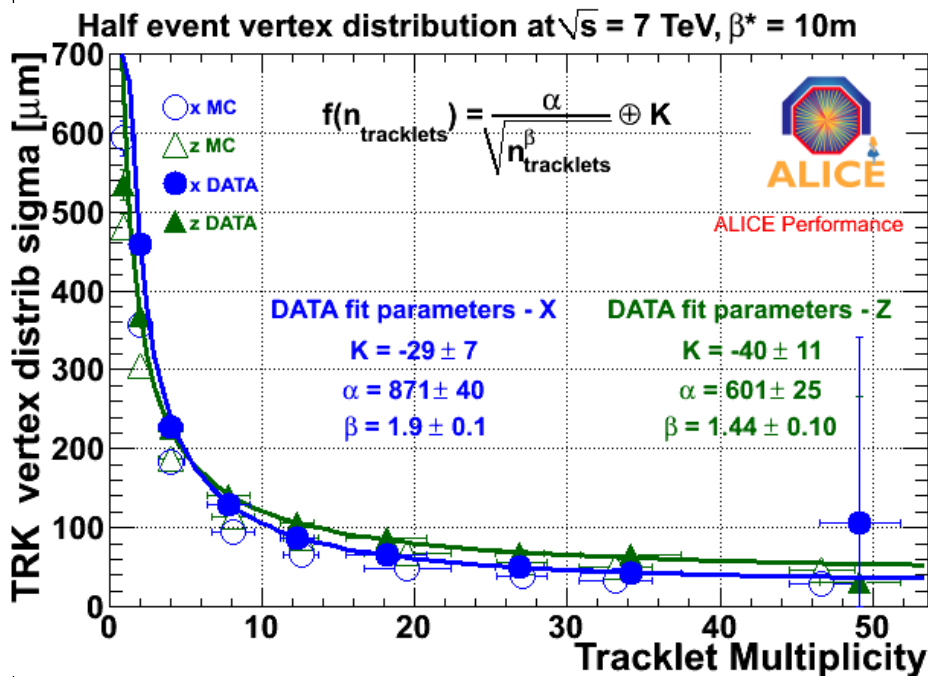
- Open beauty from non-prompt  $J/\psi$  at central rapidity





# Tools: primary vertex reconstruction

- 3D reconstruction with tracks reconstructed in the barrel with full error-matrix treatment
- Estimate resolution on data using half events
  - ✓ Split tracks in 2 sub-samples and build residuals between reconstructed coordinates from the 2 half-events

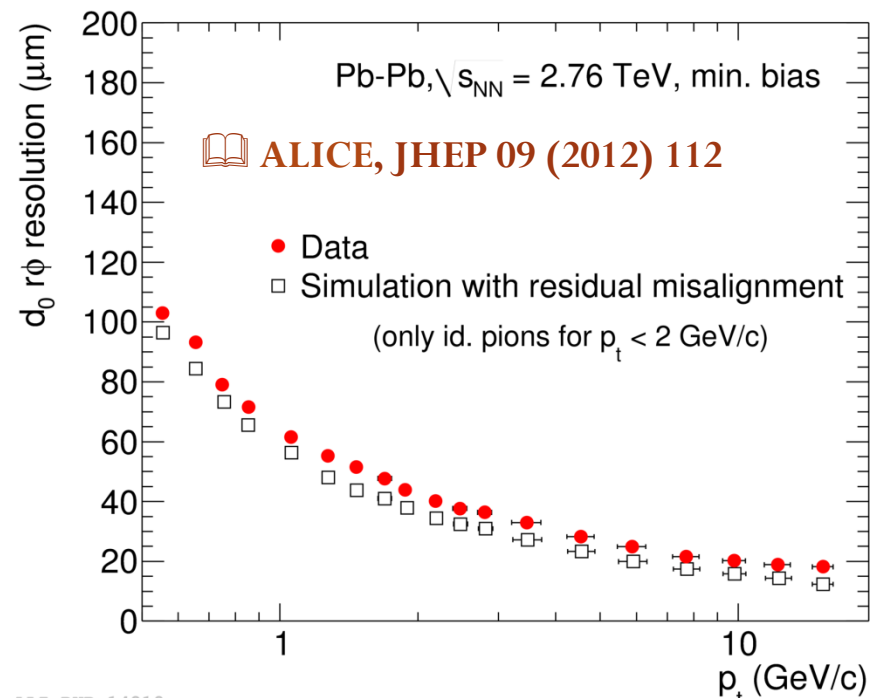
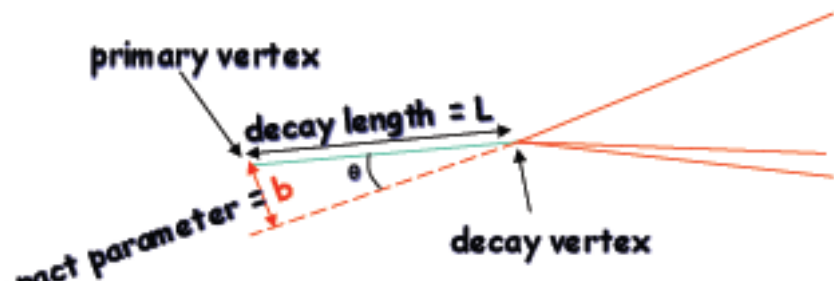


- Important for: impact parameter resolution; separation of secondary vertices; determination of the pointing angle



# How to: displaced tracks

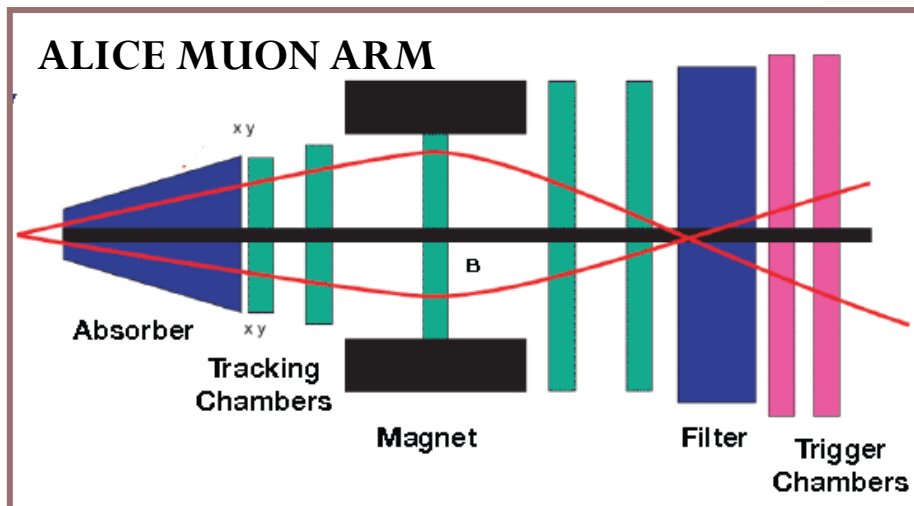
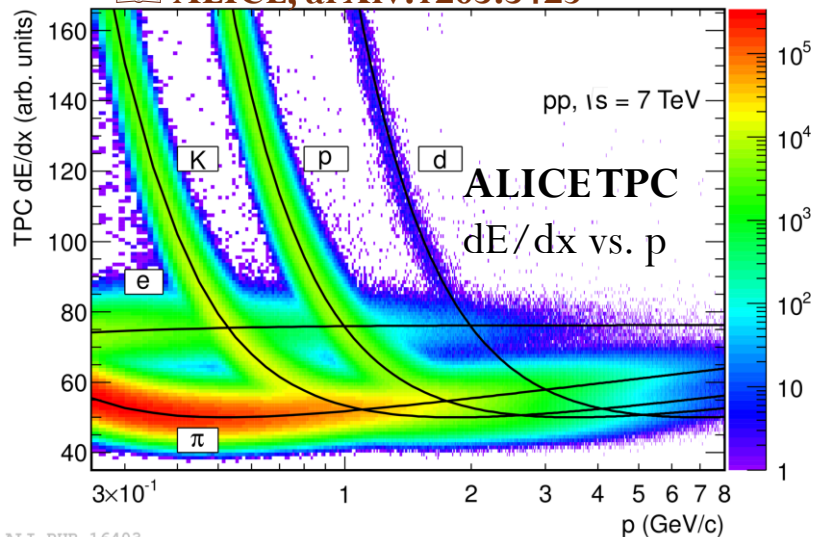
- Lower mass heavy flavour hadrons decay weakly:
  - ✓ Lifetimes:  $\approx 0.5$ -1 ps for D and  $\approx 1.5$  ps for B
  - ✓  $c\tau$ :  $\approx 100$ -300  $\mu\text{m}$  for D and  $\approx 500$   $\mu\text{m}$  for B
- Possibility to detect decay vertices/displaced tracks
  - ✓ Tracking precision plays a crucial role
- Track impact parameter: distance of closest approach of a track to the interaction vertex



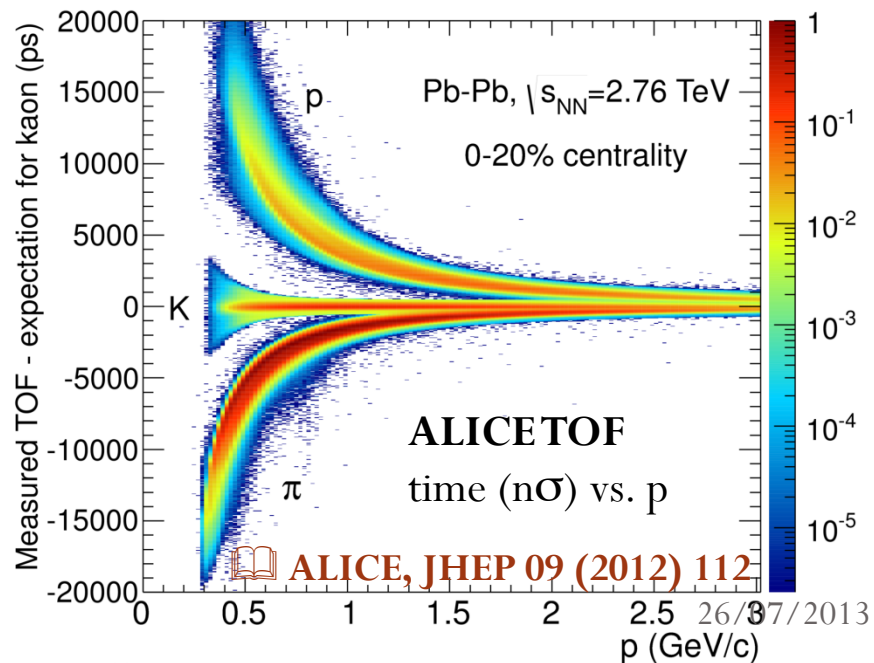
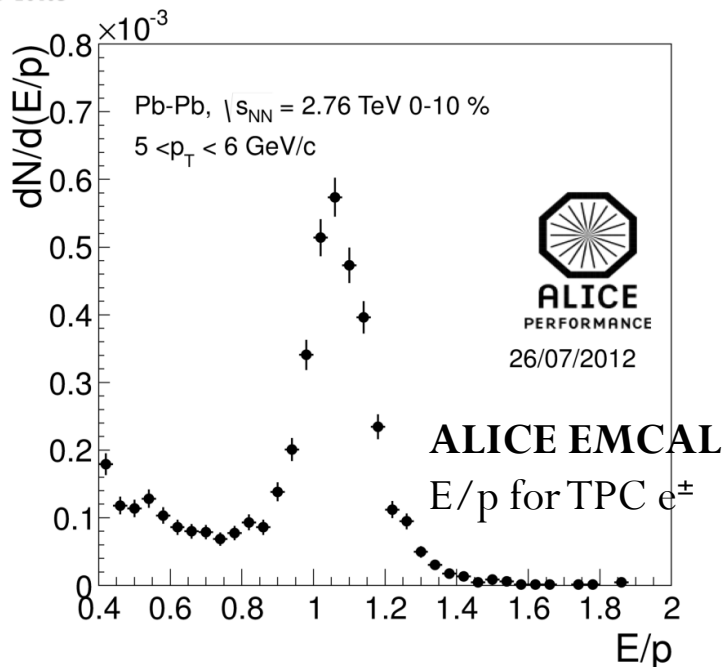
# How to: particle identification



ALICE, arXiv:1205.5423



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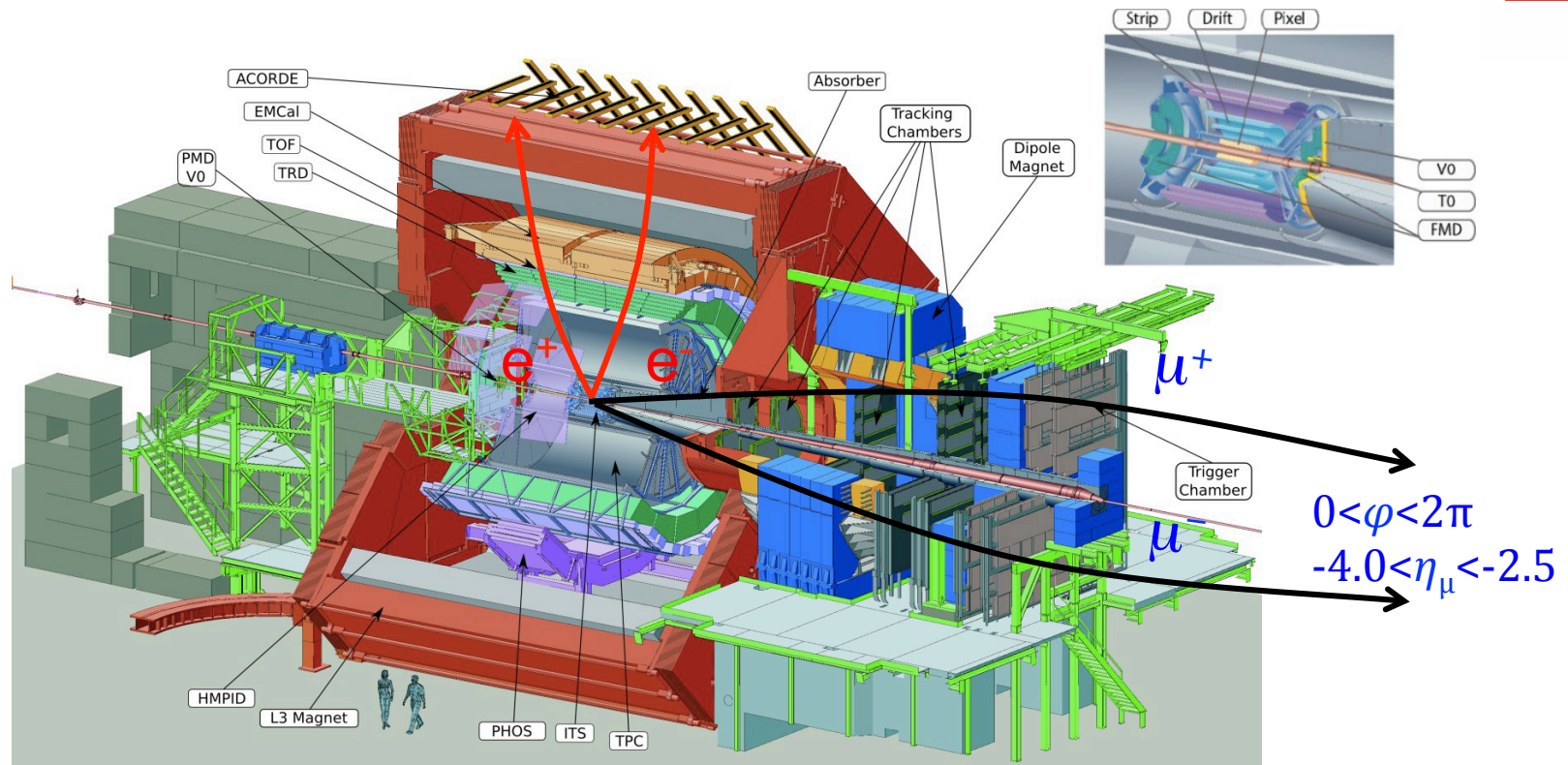
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# Quarkonia with ALICE



$$0 < \varphi < 2\pi$$

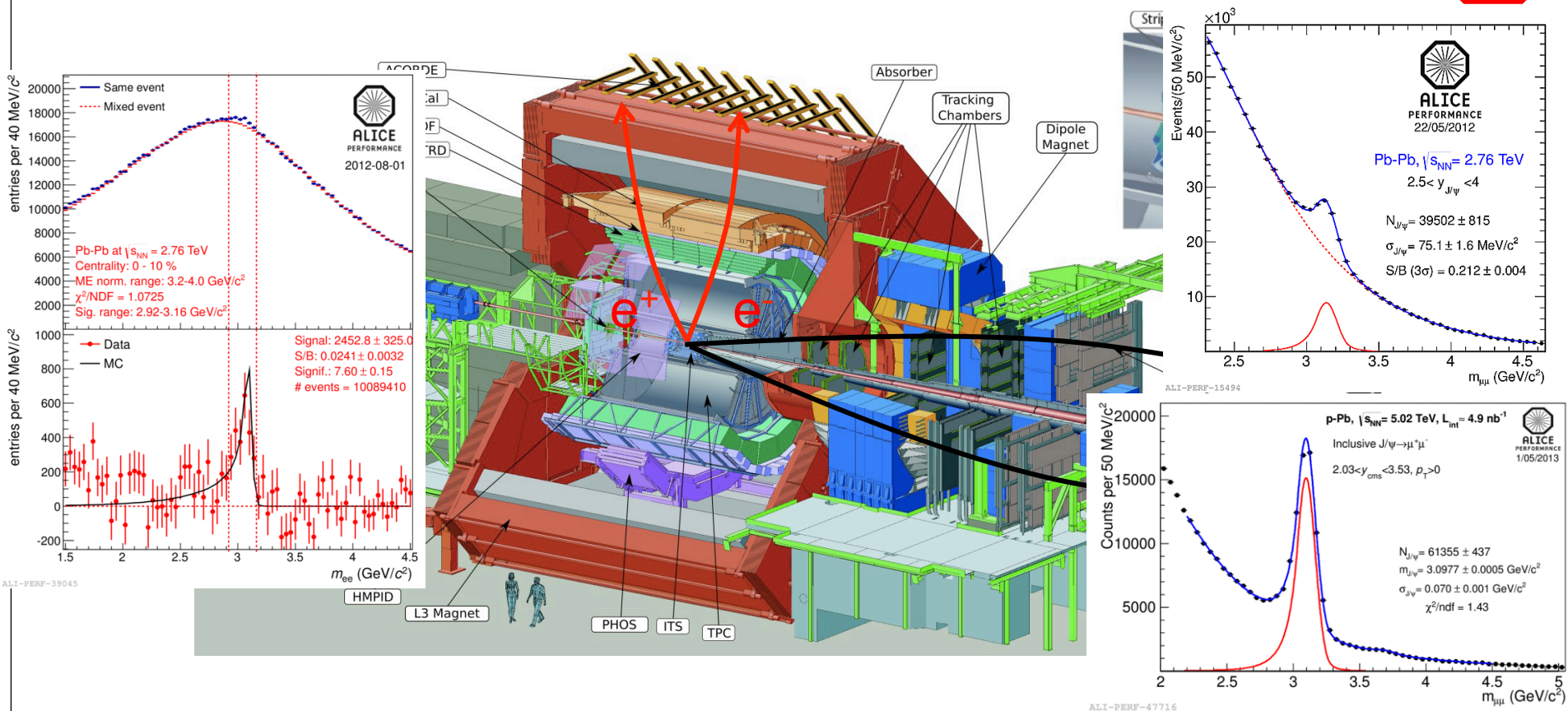
$$|\eta_e| < 0.9$$



- measured in two ways in ALICE:
    - ✓ in the central barrel in the  $e^+e^-$  channel ( $|y| < 0.9$ )
    - ✓ in the forward spectrometer in the  $\mu^+\mu^-$  channel ( $2.5 < y < 4$ )
- down to  $p_T = 0$  in both channels



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# Nuclear modification factor

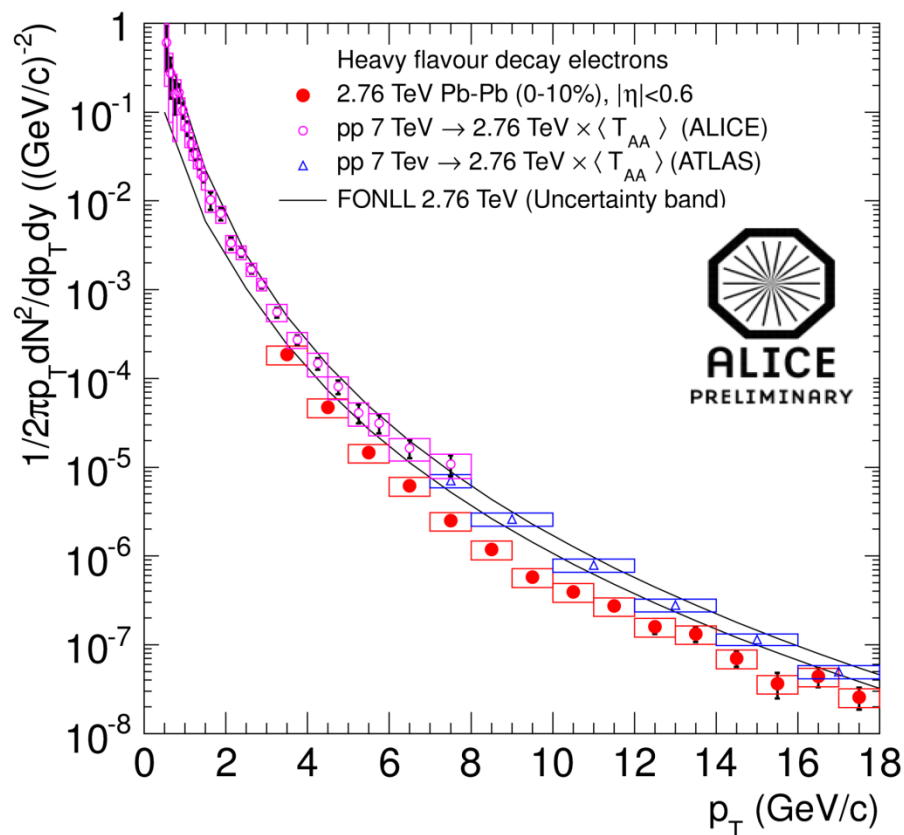
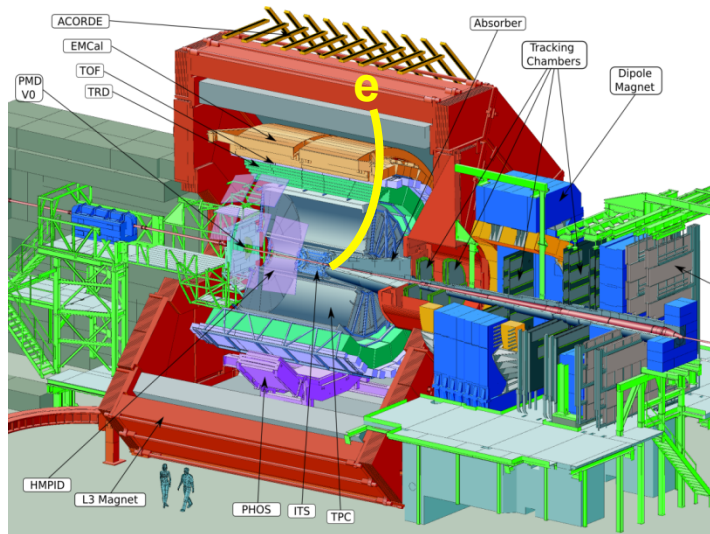
- The nuclear effects on HF production will be presented in terms of the nuclear modification factor

$$R_{AA}(p_T) = \frac{1}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle} \cdot \frac{dN_{AA}/dp_T}{d\sigma_{pp}/dp_T}$$

where  $\langle T_{AA} \rangle$  is the average overlap function for the selected centrality class and it is proportional to  $\langle N_{\text{coll}} \rangle$

- Inclusive b+c measurements:
  - ✓ Heavy Flavour decay electrons
  - ✓ Heavy Flavour Decay Muons
- Exclusive measurements:
  - ✓ Hadronic Open Charm: study of D mesons through their 2-3 body hadronic decay channels at midrapidity

# Heavy flavour decay electrons



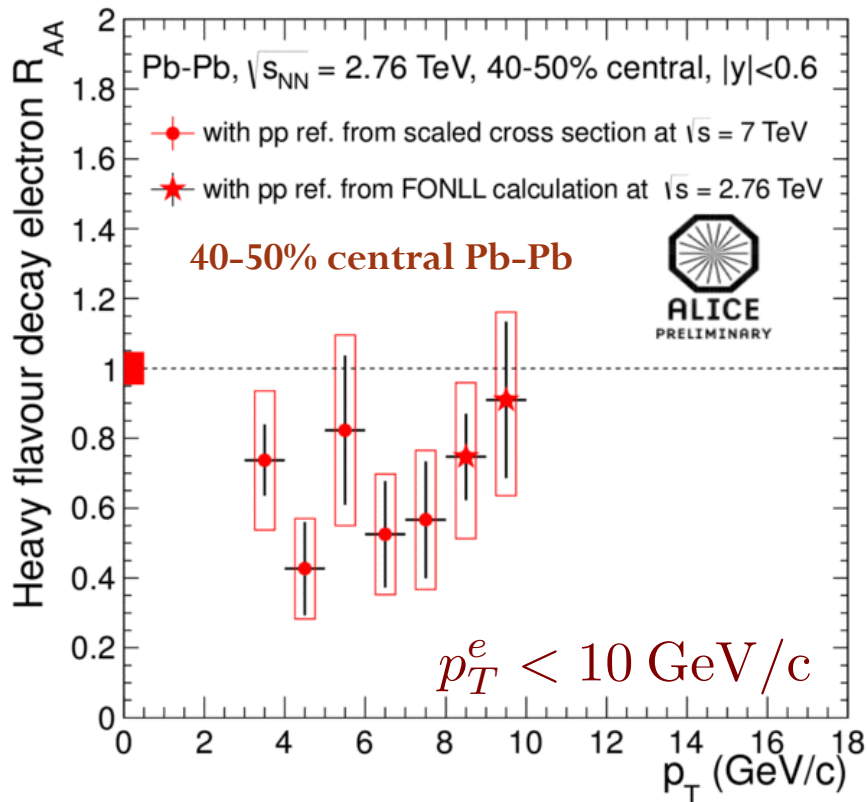
- Inclusive electron spectrum with two different PID analyses: TPC+TOF+TRD and TPC+EMCAL
- Subtract background electrons
  - ✓ Electron pair invariant mass method
  - ✓ Cocktail method
- Inclusive – background  $\rightarrow$  c+b
- pp reference:
  - ✓ 7 TeV pp data scaled to 2.76 TeV for  $p_T < 8$  GeV/c
  - ✓ FONLL for  $p_T > 8$  GeV/c

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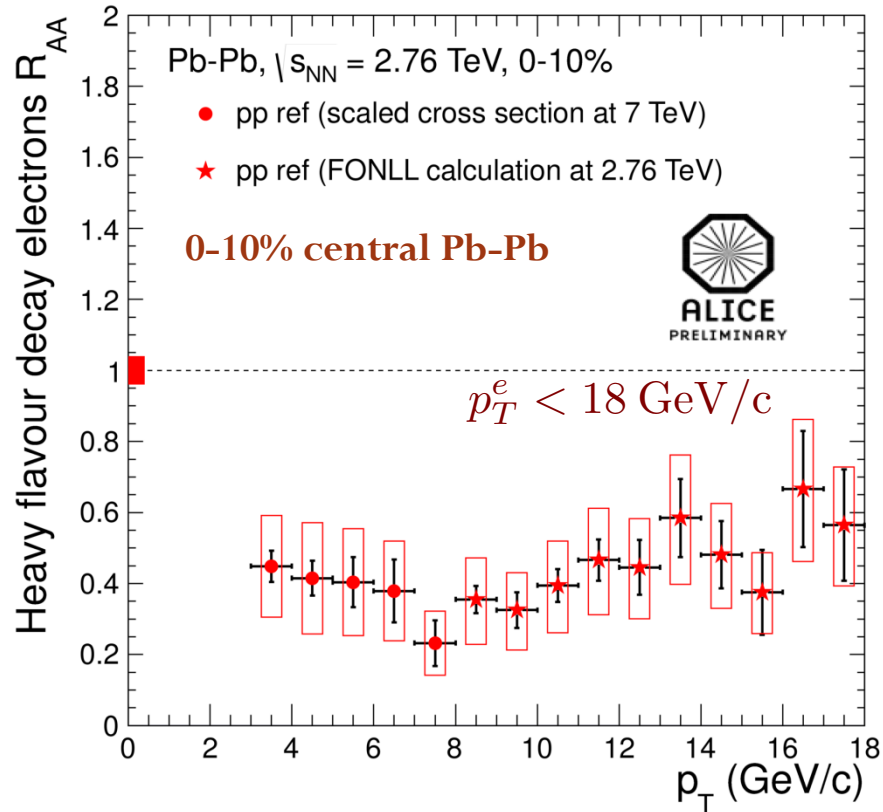
- Background sources:
  - ✓ Photon conversions
  - ✓ Dalitz decays of neutral mesons
  - ✓ Quarkonia decays

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# Heavy flavour decay electrons



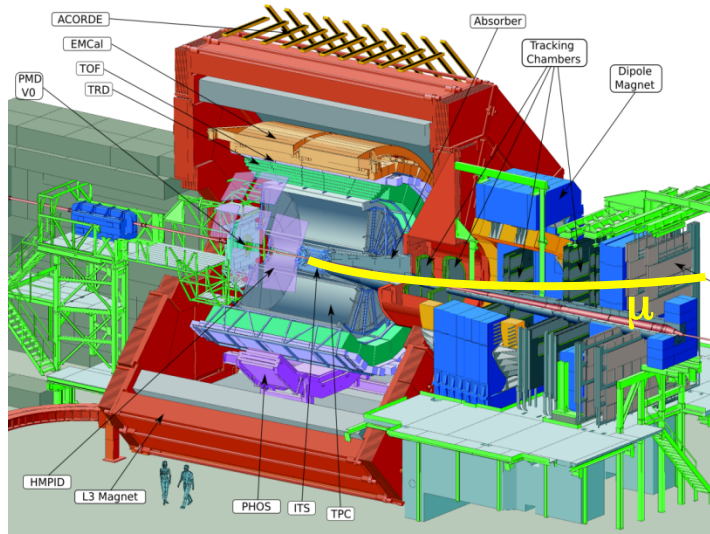
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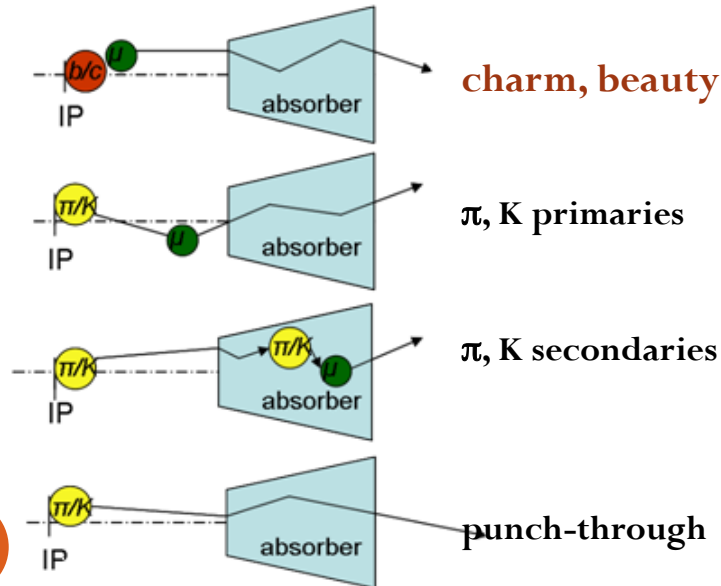
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- Clear suppression ( $R_{AA} \sim 0.4$ ) of central HF electrons
- Reduced suppression for semi-central Pb-Pb collisions ( $R_{AA} \sim 0.6$ )

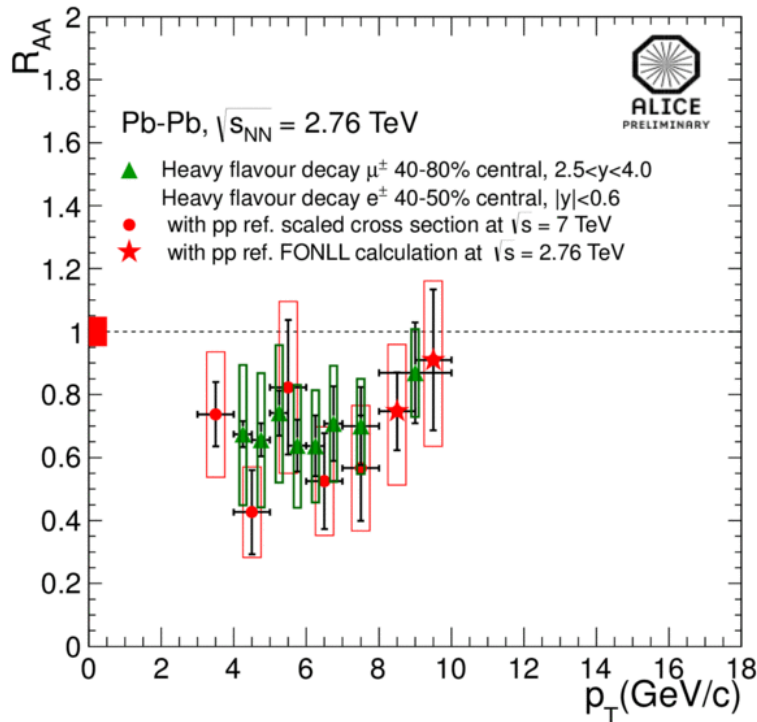
# Heavy flavour decay muons at forward rapidity



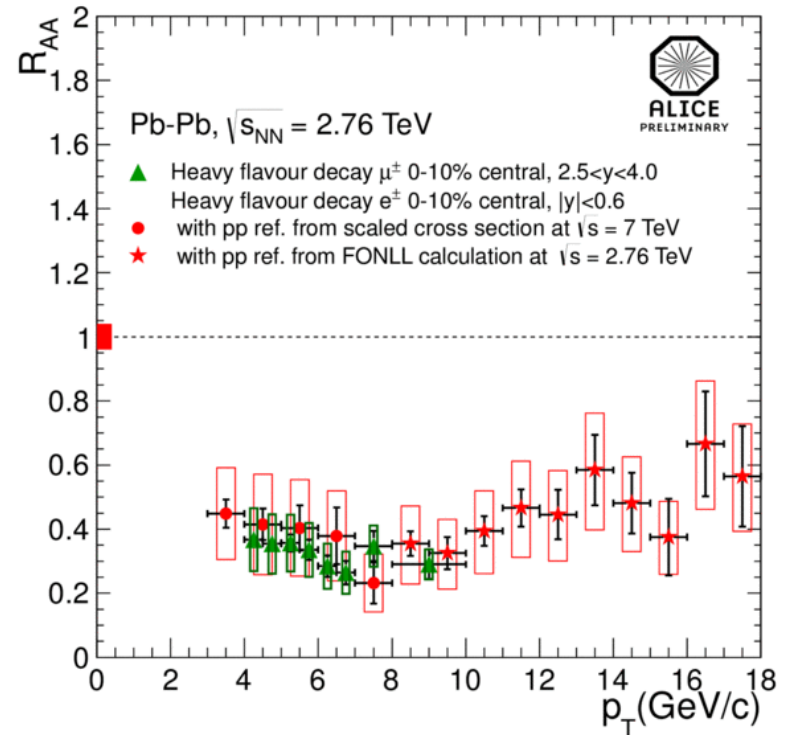
- Single muons at forward rapidity ( $-4 < \eta < -2.5$ )
  - ✓ Punch-through hadrons rejected by requiring match with trigger chambers
  - ✓ Residual beam induced background and fake tracks are removed using the correlation between the momentum and the DCA with the interaction point
  - ✓ Subtract background  $\mu$  from  $\pi/K$  decay
    - Extrapolated from mid-rapidity measurement with an hypothesis on the rapidity dependence of  $R_{AA}$
- pp reference measured at 2.76 TeV



# Heavy flavour decay muons at forward rapidity



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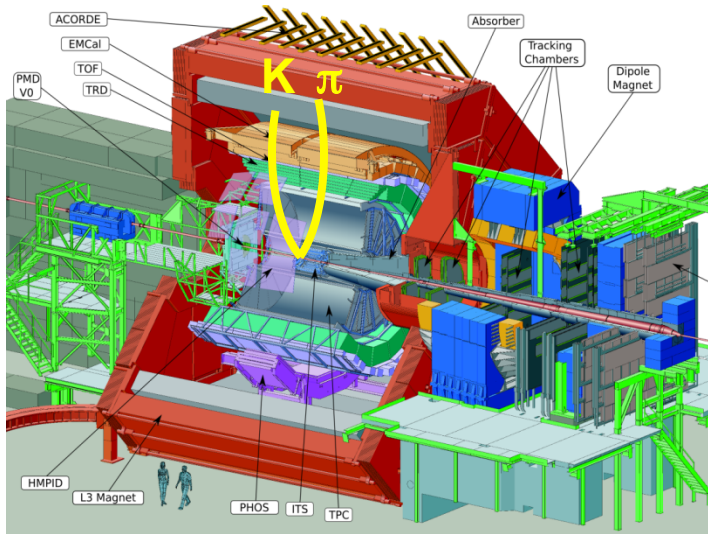
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- The suppression pattern for HF muons at forward rapidity ( $2.5 < y < 4$ ) is compatible with electron results at central rapidity

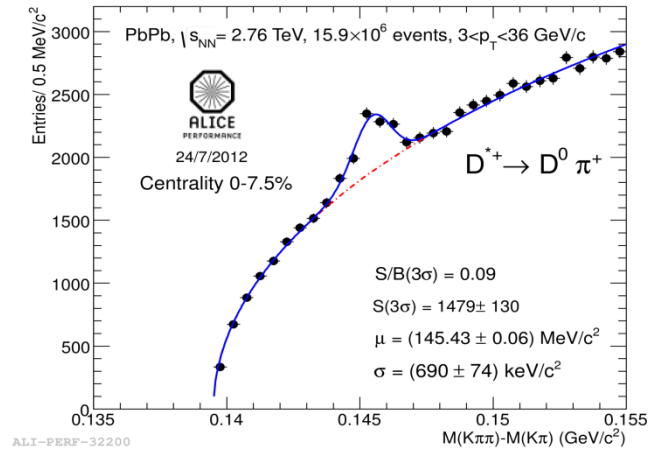
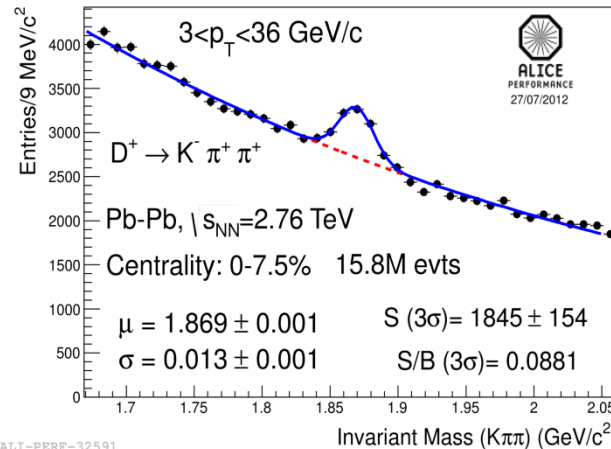
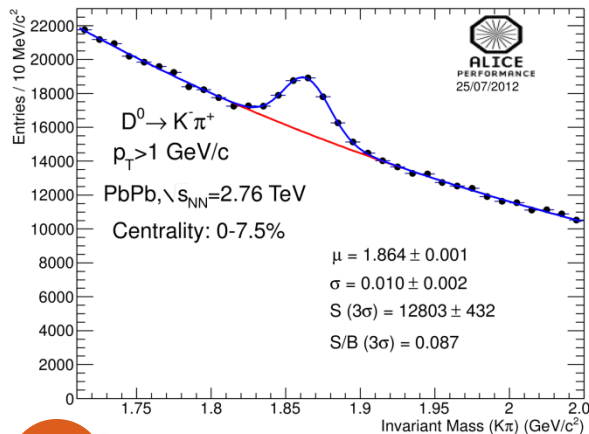


HF muons: ALICE, PRL 109 (2012) 112301

# D mesons



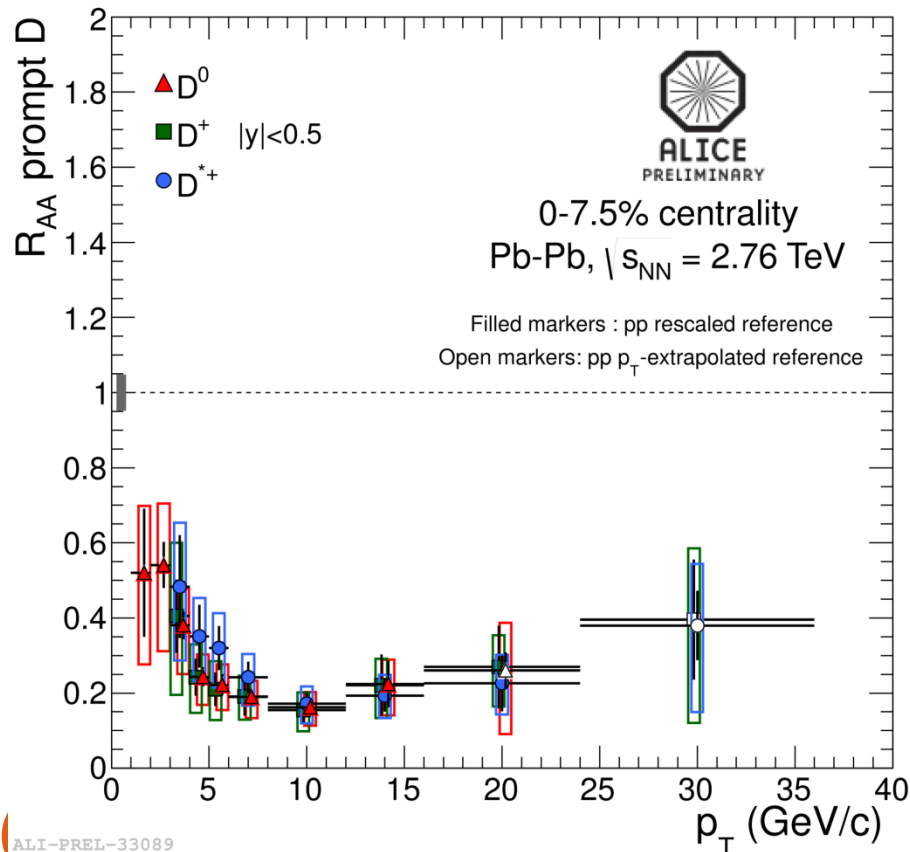
- Analysis strategy
  - ✓ Invariant mass analysis of fully reconstructed decay topologies displaced from the primary vertex
- Feed down from B (10-15 % after cuts) subtracted using pQCD (FONLL) predictions
  - ✓ Plus in PbPb hypothesis on  $R_{AA}$  of D from B



# D meson $R_{AA}$



- pp reference from measured  $D^0$ ,  $D^+$  and  $D^*$   $p_T$ -differential cross sections at 7 TeV scaled to 2.76 TeV with FONLL
  - ✓ Extrapolated assuming FONLL  $p_T$  shape to highest  $p_T$  bins not measured in pp



- $D^0$ ,  $D^+$  and  $D^{*+}$   $R_{AA}$  agree within uncertainties

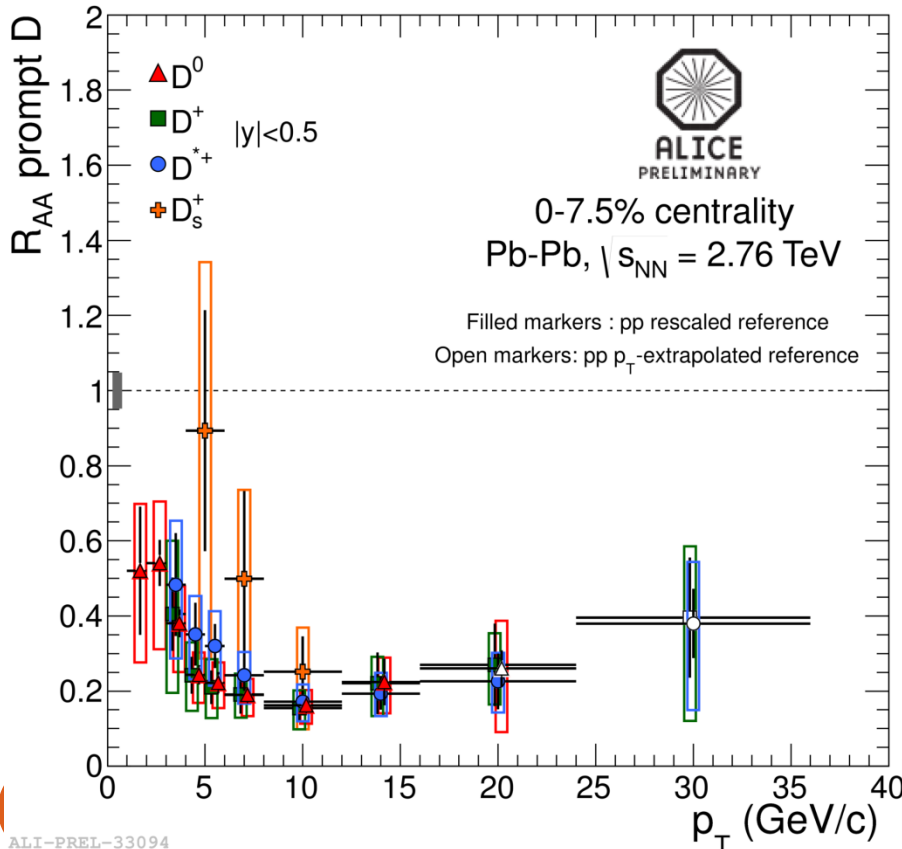
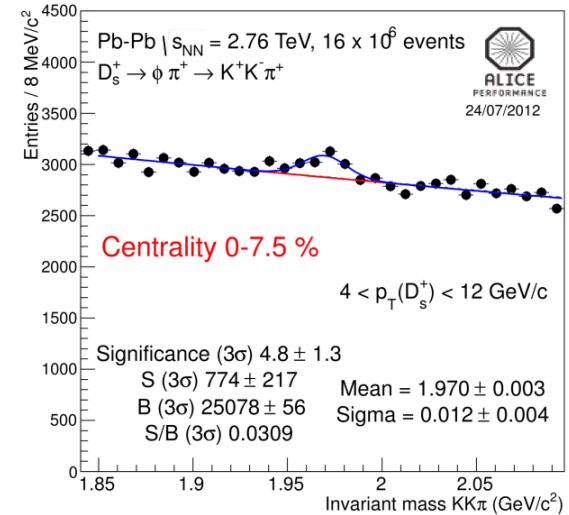
Strong suppression of prompt D mesons in central collisions  
→ up to a factor of 5 for  $p_T \approx 10$  GeV/c



# Charm + strange: $D_s^+$



- First measurement of  $D_s^+$  in AA collisions
- Expectation: enhancement of the strange/non-strange D meson yield at intermediate  $p_T$  if charm hadronizes via recombination in the medium



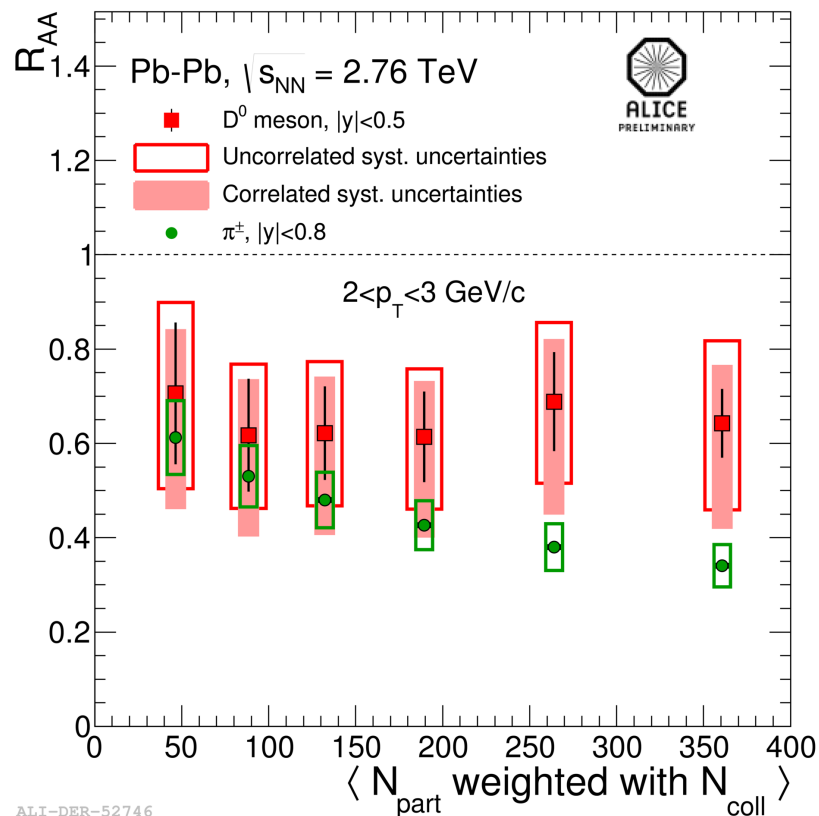
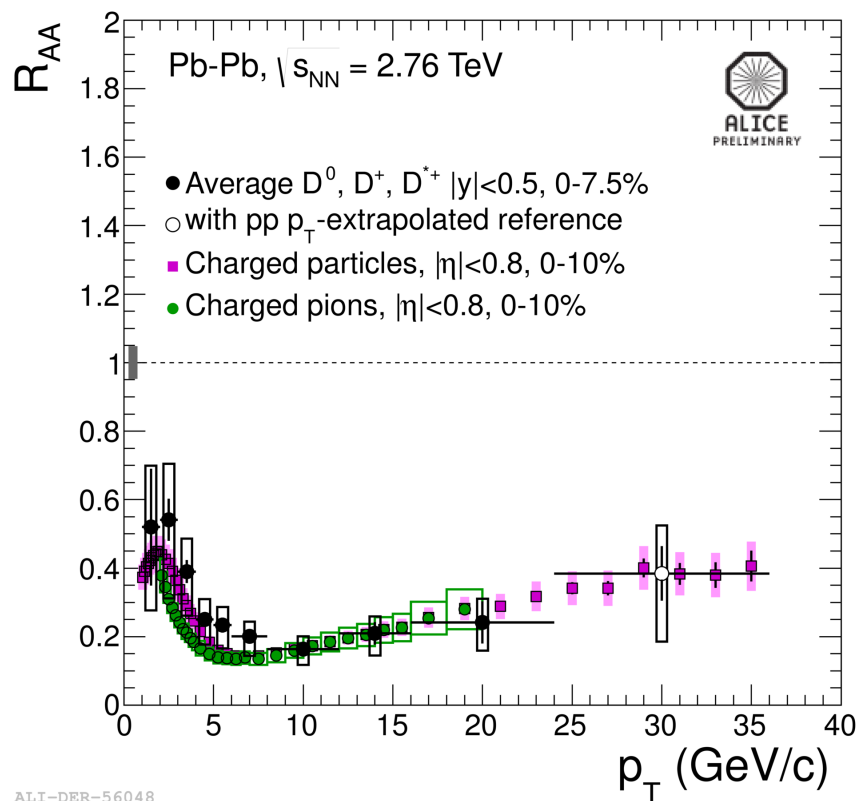
- Strong  $D_s^+$  suppression (similar as  $D^0$ ,  $D^+$  and  $D^{*+}$ ) for  $8 < p_T < 12$  GeV/C
- $R_{AA}$  seems to increase (=less suppression) at low  $p_T$ 
  - ✓ Current data do not allow a conclusive comparison to other D mesons within uncertainties

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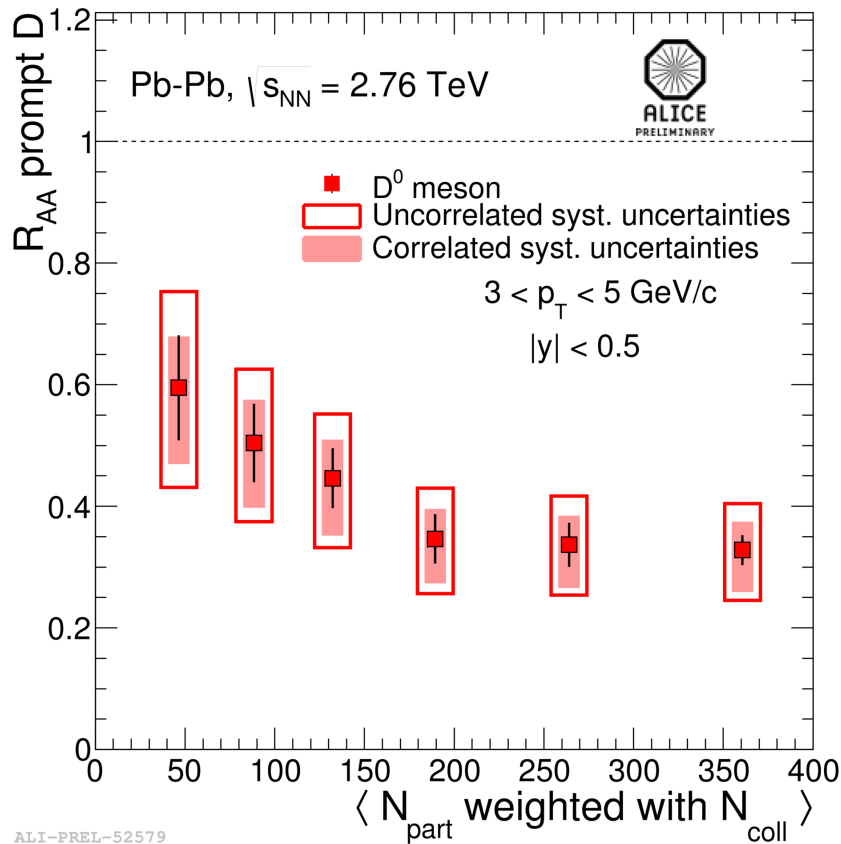
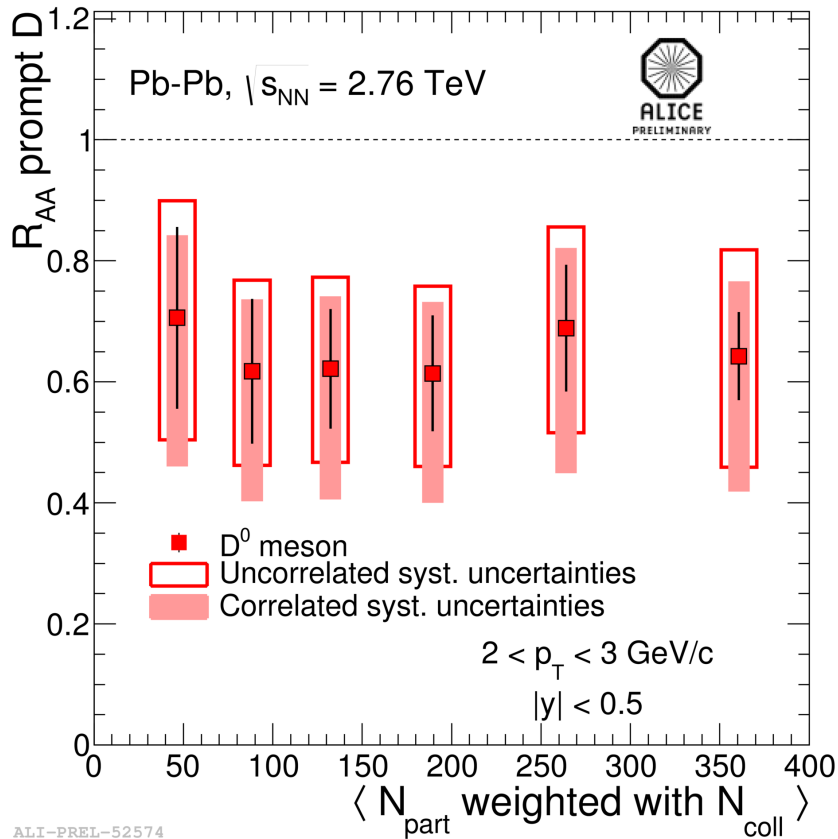


# $R_{AA}$ of D mesons vs $R_{AA}$ of light hadrons



- Similar trend vs.  $p_T$  for D, charged particles and  $\pi^\pm$ 
  - ✓ Maybe a hint of  $R_{AA}^D > R_{AA}^\pi$  at low  $p_T$
- More statistics needed to draw conclusions on the expected difference between D and  $\pi$  suppression:  $R_{AA}(D) > R_{AA}(\pi)$  from mass hierarchy and colour charge dependence of energy loss

# $R_{AA}$ vs centrality



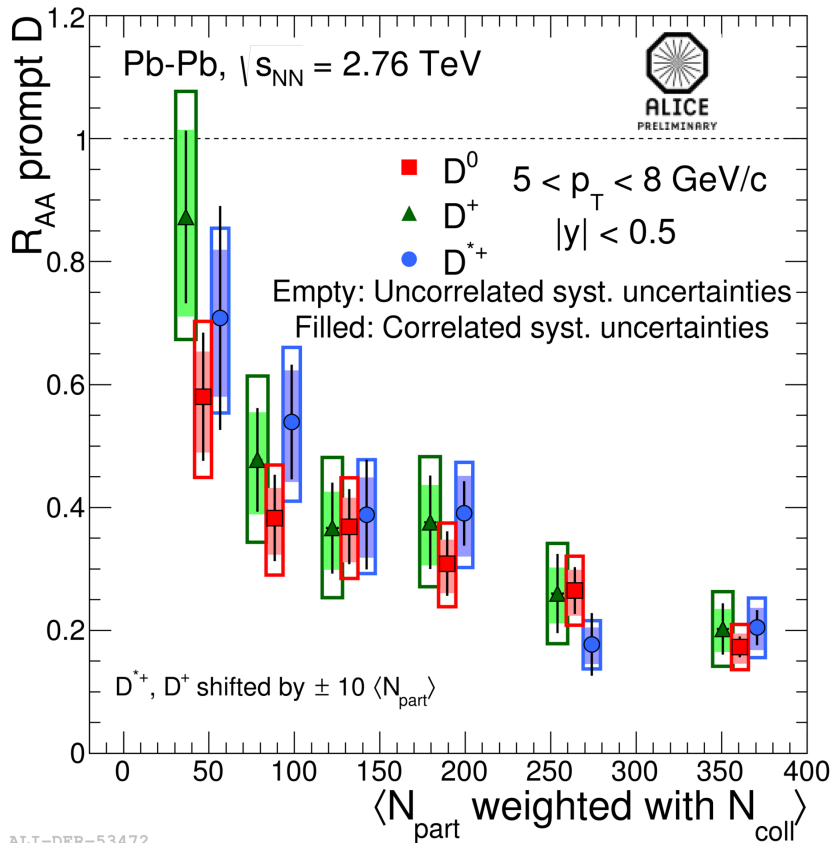
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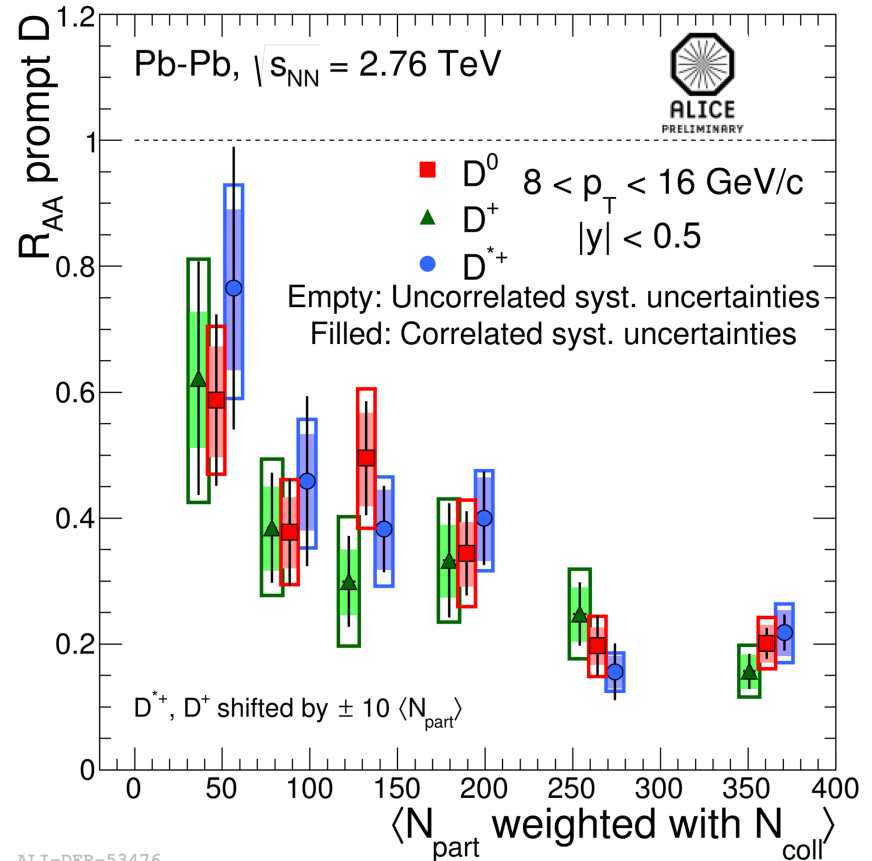
- Different suppression trend of  $D^0$  mesons vs  $N_{part}$  in 2-3 and 3-5 GeV/c  $p_T$  classes
- Systematic errors:
  - ✓ correlated in centrality classes: normalization, pp reference cross section
  - ✓ uncorrelated: B feed-down might depend on centrality at low  $p_T$



# $R_{AA}$ vs centrality



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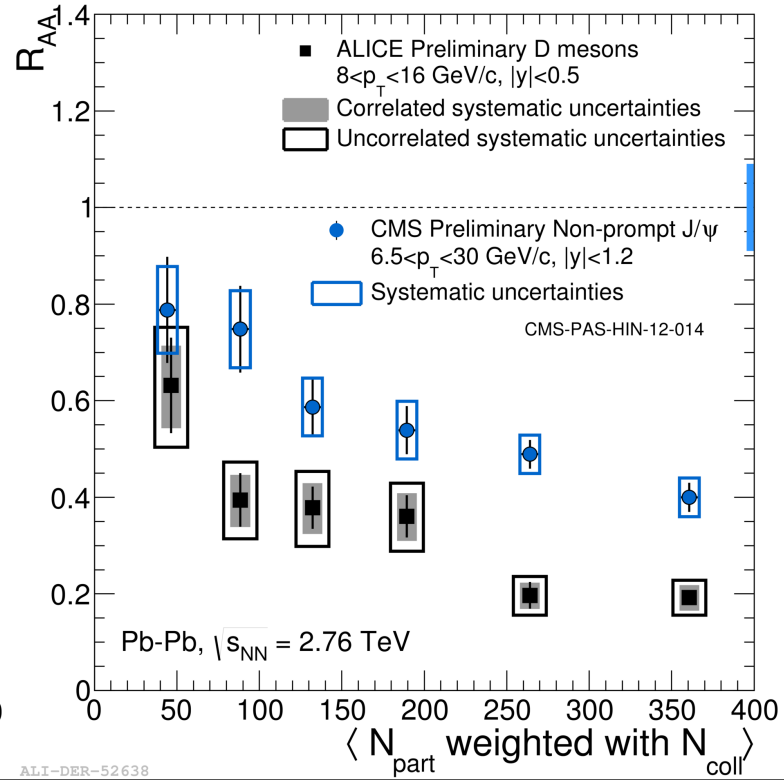
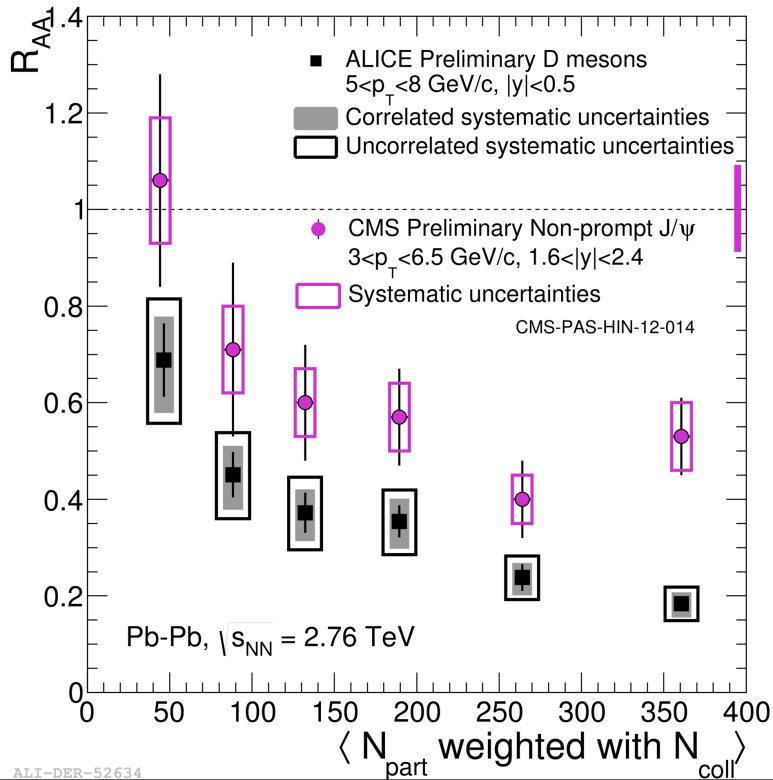


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- Suppression of D mesons increases with centrality in 5-8 and 8-16 GeV/c  $p_T$  classes

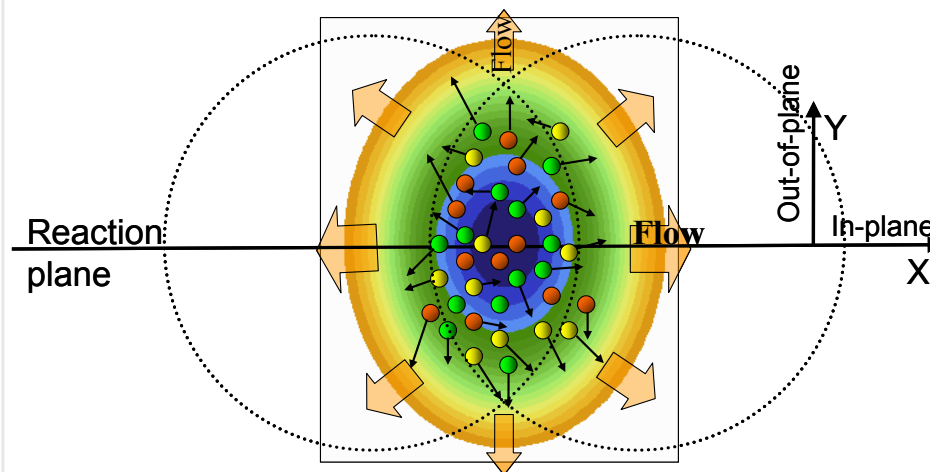


# Comparison with non-prompt J/ $\psi$



- $p_T$  ranges chosen to have similar kinematics for D and B mesons, parents of non prompt J/ $\psi$ , though with different  $y$  ranges
  - ✓  $\langle p_T \rangle^D \sim 10.5$  GeV/c
  - ✓  $\langle p_T \rangle^B \sim 11.5$  GeV/c
- Indication of a smaller energy loss for beauty w.r.t. charm

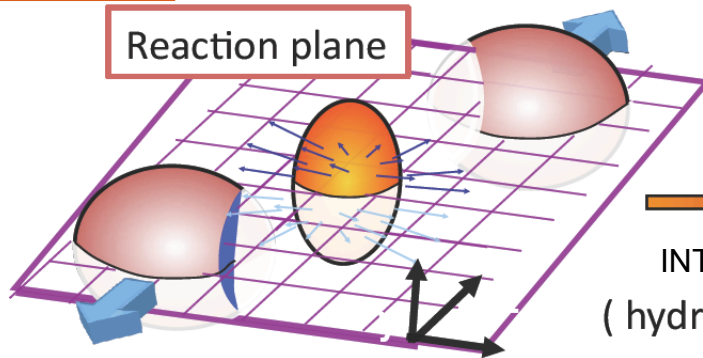
# Azimuthal anisotropy



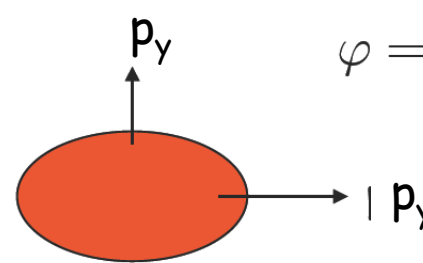


# Anisotropic transverse flow

$$\epsilon = \frac{\langle y^2 \rangle - \langle x^2 \rangle}{\langle y^2 \rangle + \langle x^2 \rangle}$$



INTERACTIONS  
(hydrodynamics?)



$$\varphi = \arctan \frac{p_y}{p_x}$$

“elliptic” flow

$$v_2 = \frac{\langle p_y^2 \rangle - \langle p_x^2 \rangle}{\langle p_y^2 \rangle + \langle p_x^2 \rangle}$$

Initial spatial asymmetry

Final momentum asymmetry

Azimuthal distribution

$$\frac{dN}{d(\varphi - \psi_{RP})} \propto 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1} v_n \cos(n[\varphi - \psi_{RP}])$$

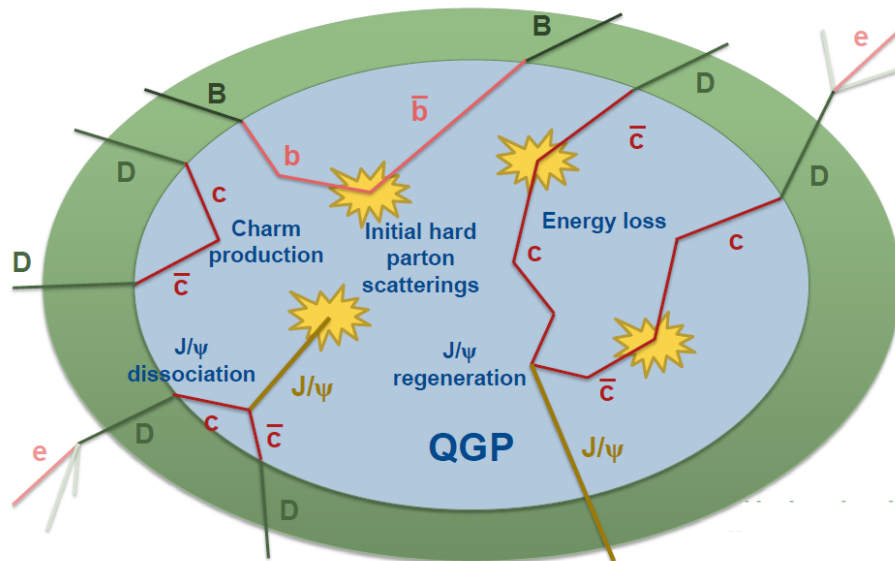
$$v_n = \langle \cos(n[\varphi - \psi_{RP}]) \rangle$$

- ⇒ Fourier decomposition of azimuthal distributions w.r.t. the initial state spatial plane of symmetry
- ⇒ Observables: Fourier coefficients
- ⇒ Azimuthal asymmetry is expressed by the second Fourier coefficient  $v_2$  (elliptic flow)

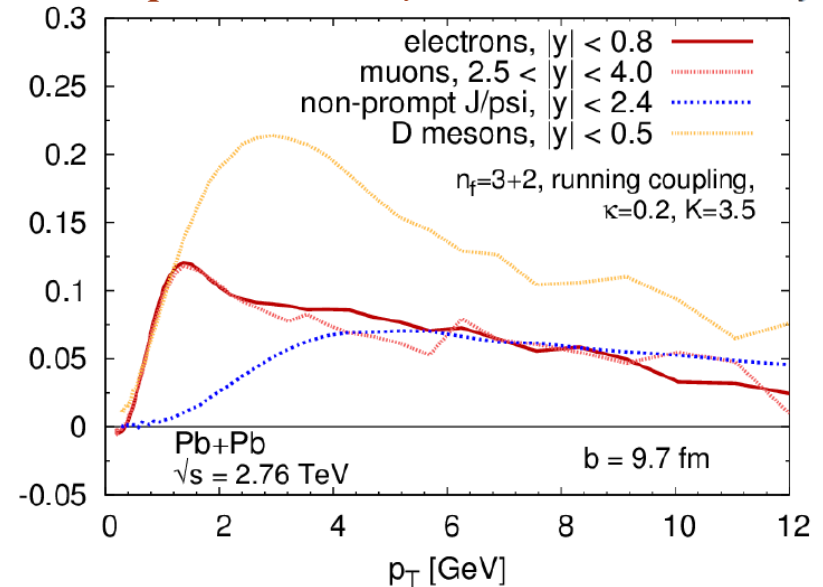
# Heavy flavour $v_2$



- Due to their large mass, c and b quarks should take longer time (= more re-scatterings) to be influenced by the collective expansion of the medium
  - ✓  $v_2(b) < v_2(c)$
- Uniqueness of heavy quarks: cannot be destroyed and/or created in the medium
  - ✓ Transported through the full system evolution



J. Uphoff et al., Phys. Lett. B 717 (2012), 430



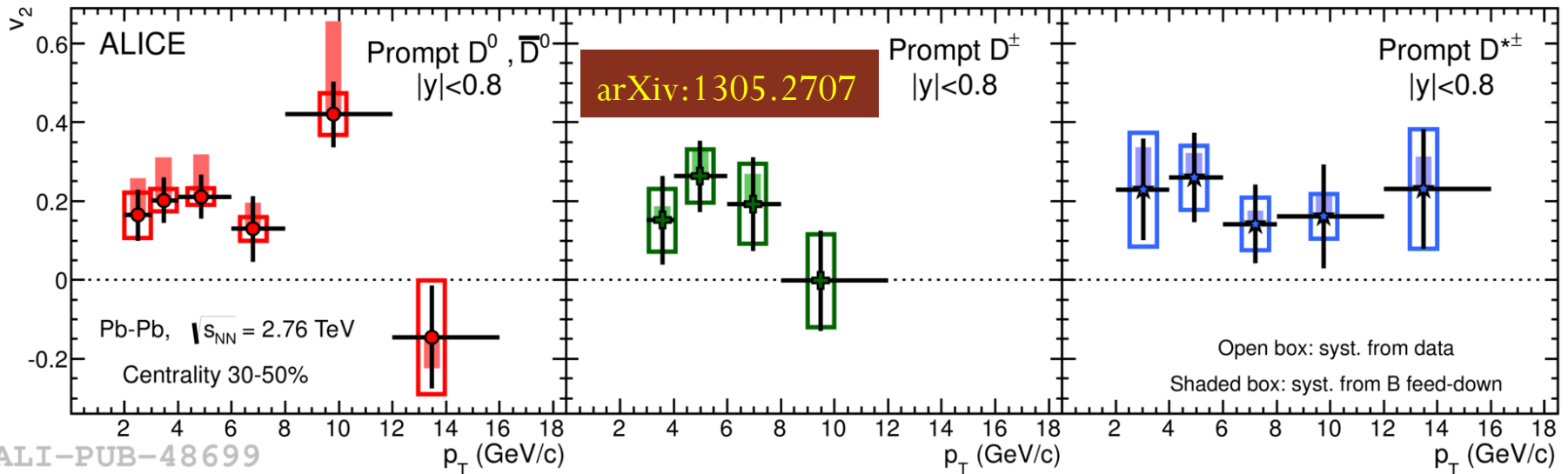
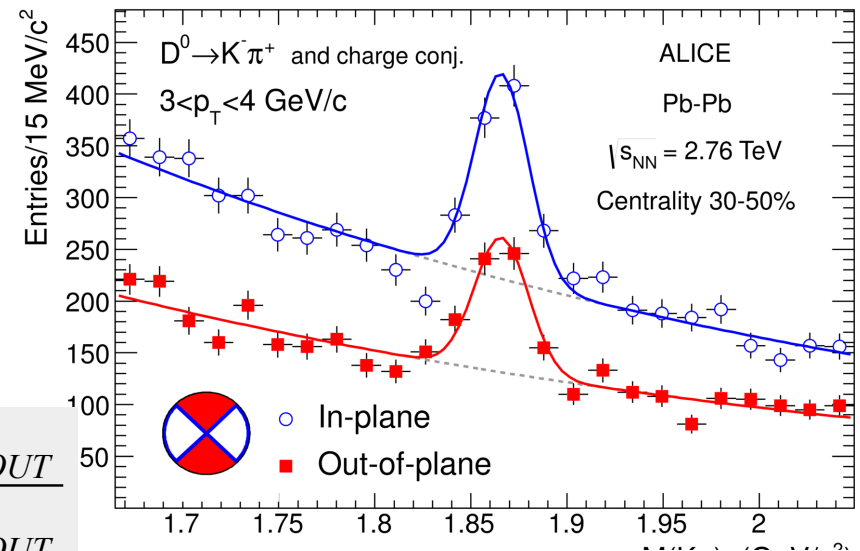


# $v_2$ for D mesons



- First direct measurement of D anisotropy in heavy-ion collisions
- Yield extracted from invariant mass spectra of  $K\pi$  candidates in 2 bins of azimuthal angle relative to the event plane

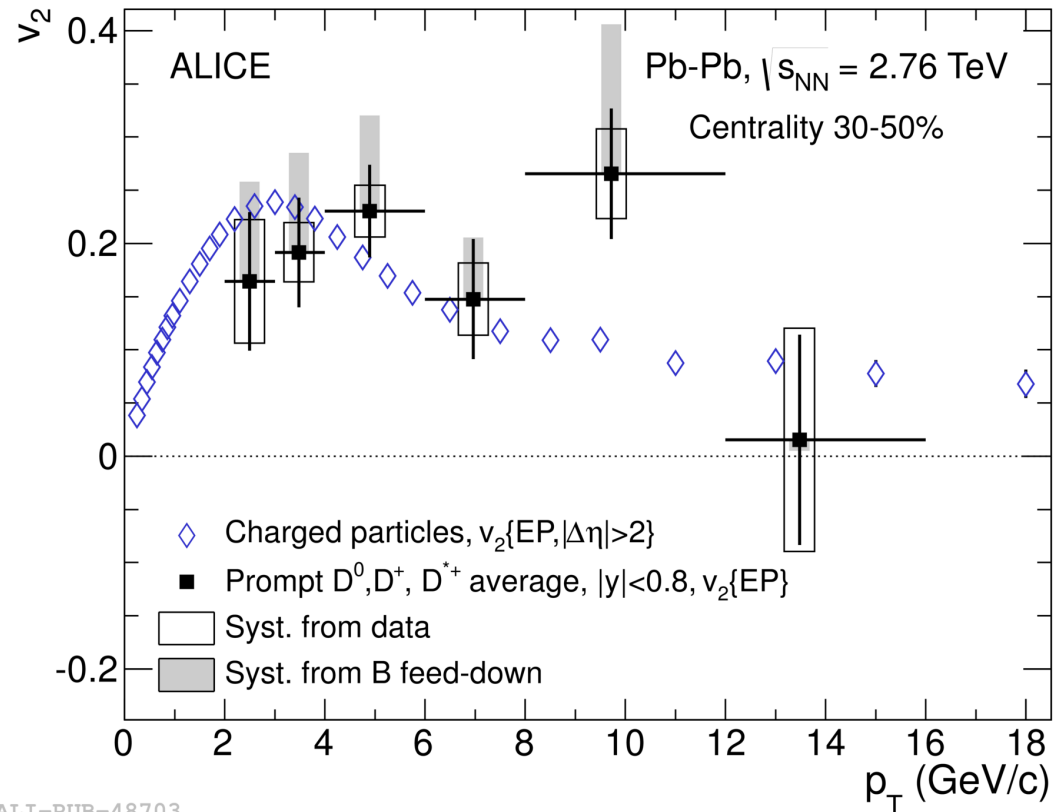
$$v_2 = \frac{1}{R_2} \frac{\pi}{4} \frac{N_{IN} - N_{OUT}}{N_{IN} + N_{OUT}}$$





# $v_2$ for D mesons

- $v_2$  consistent for  $D^0, D^+$  and  $D^{*+}$
- $v_2 > 0$  at low  $p_T$ 
  - ✓  $\sim 5\sigma$  effect for  $2 < p_T < 6$  GeV/c
- D meson  $v_2$  comparable to that of charged particles
  - ✓ hint for collective motion of charm quarks at low  $p_T$

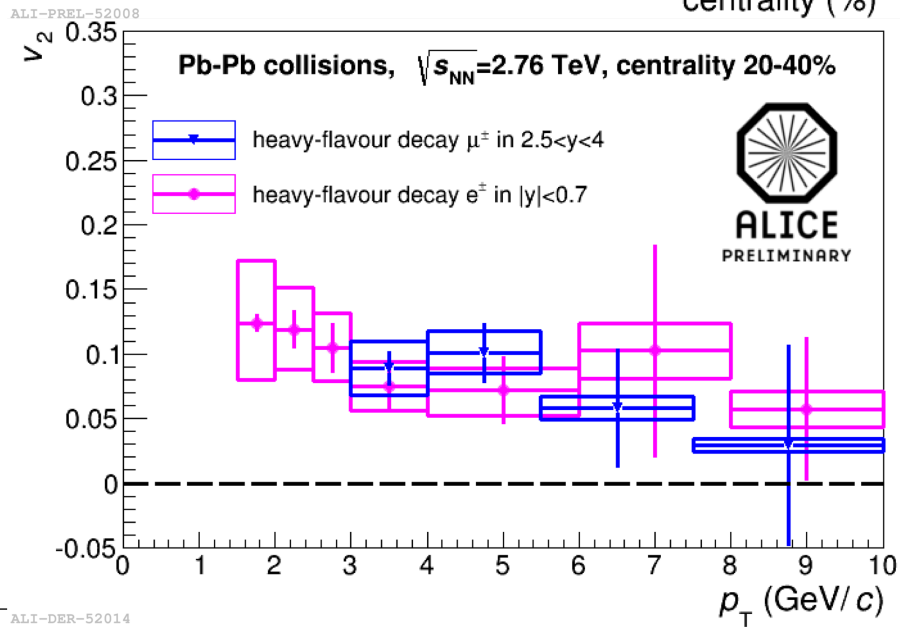
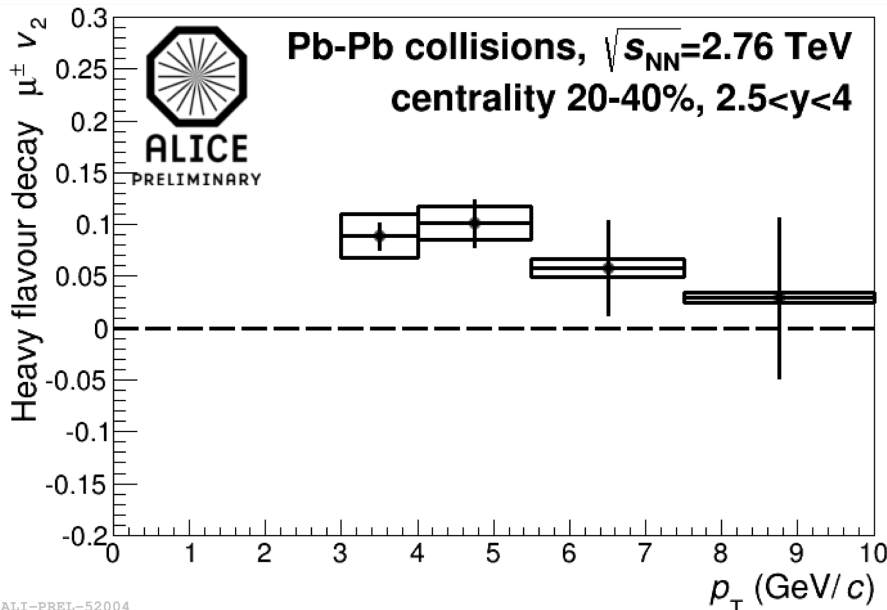
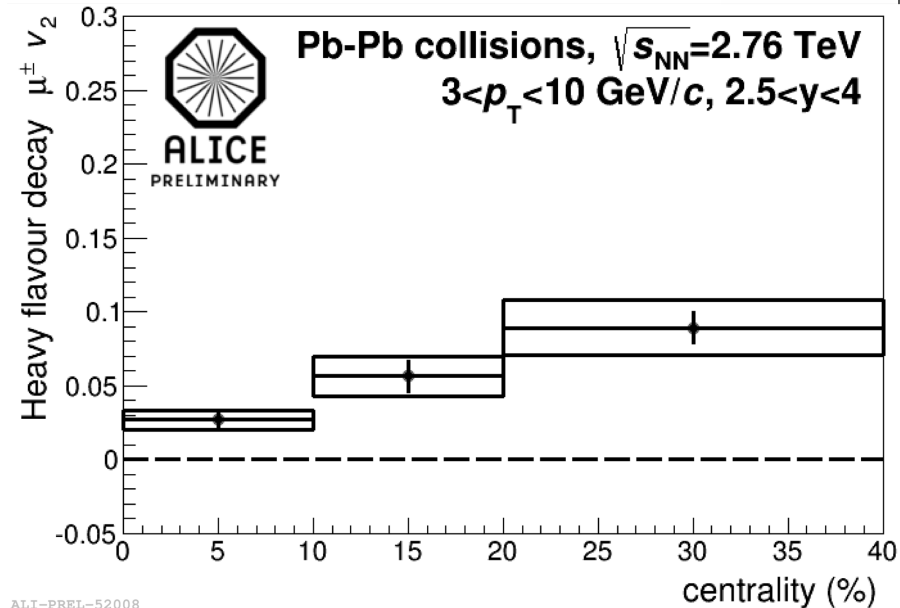


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# $v_2$ for HF decay leptons (e/ $\mu$ )

- Elliptic flow of muons from HF decays measured in  $2.5 < y < 4$
- Positive  $v_2$  ( $3\sigma$ ) observed for centrality class 20-40%
- similar results for heavy flavour decay electrons at mid rapidity



# Data and models



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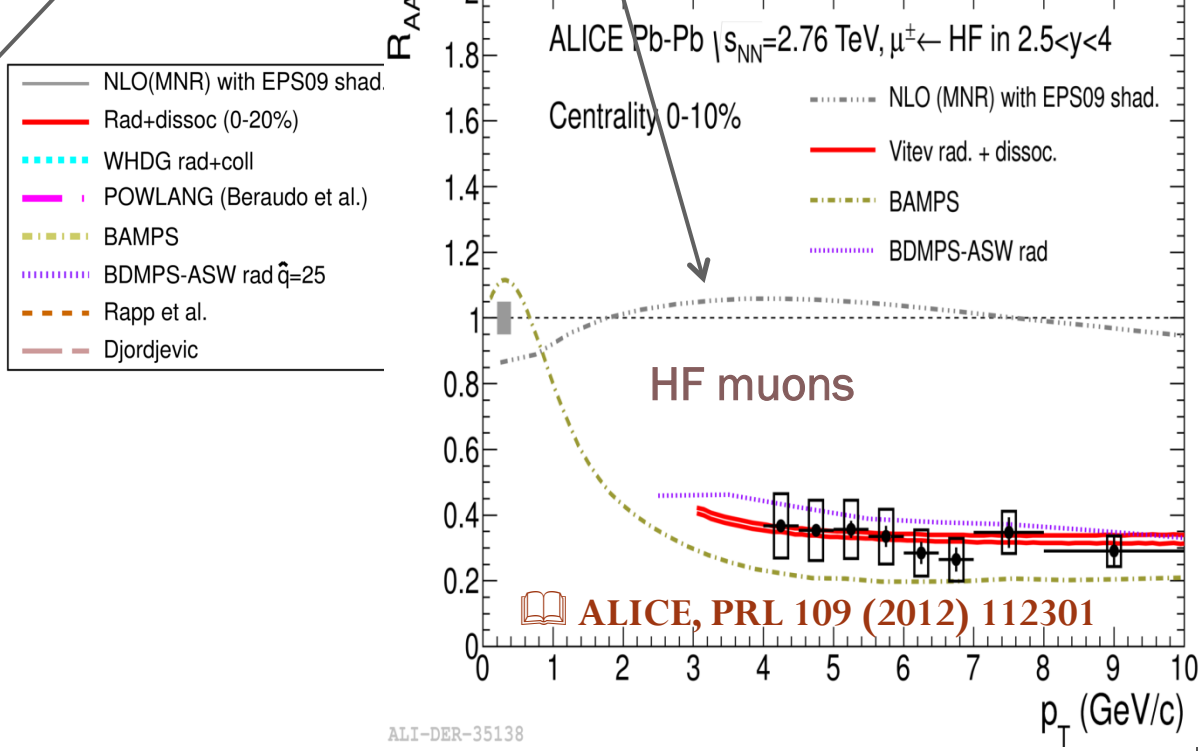
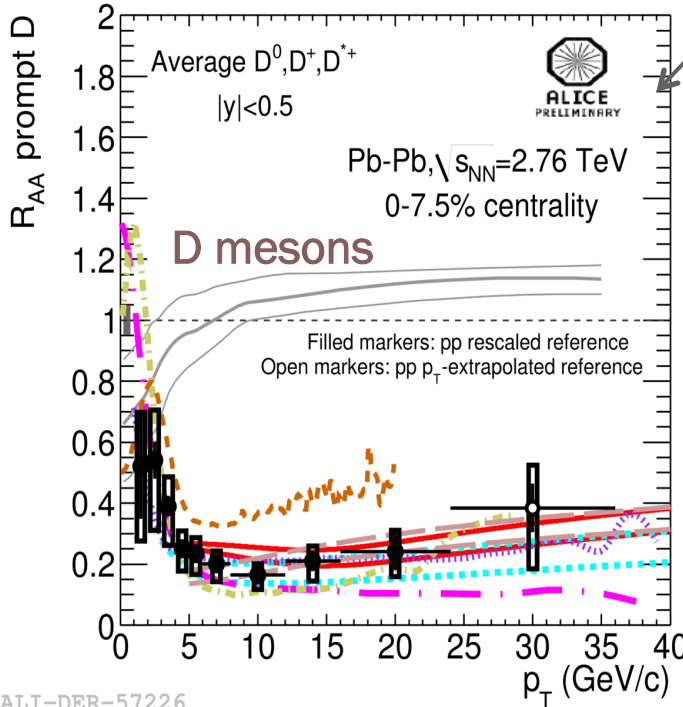
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# Comparison with models: $R_{AA}$

Little shadowing at high  $p_T$

- suppression is a hot matter effect
- need pPb data to quantify initial state effect



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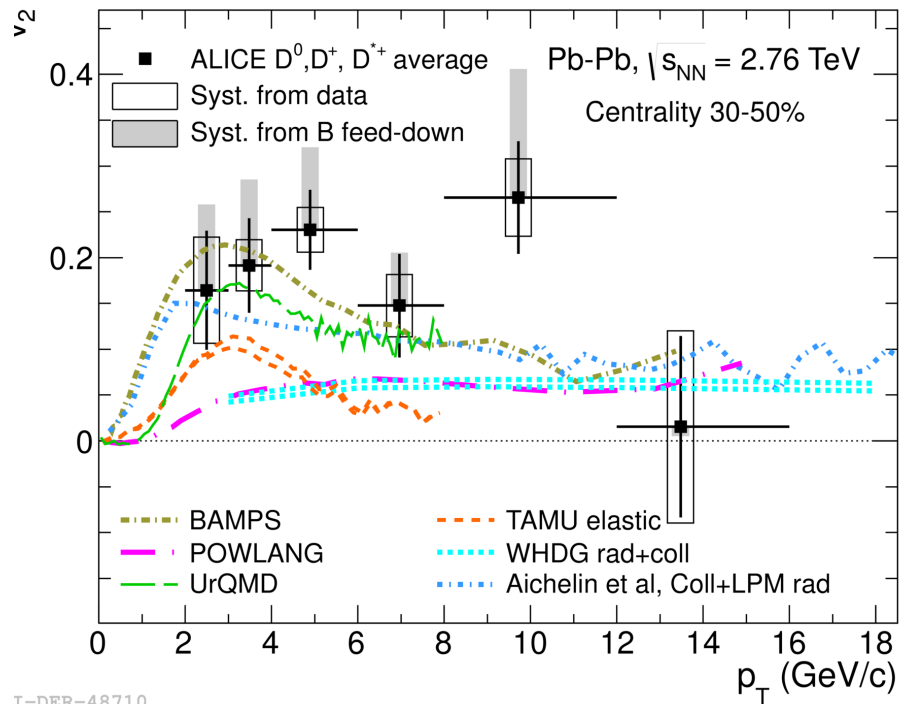
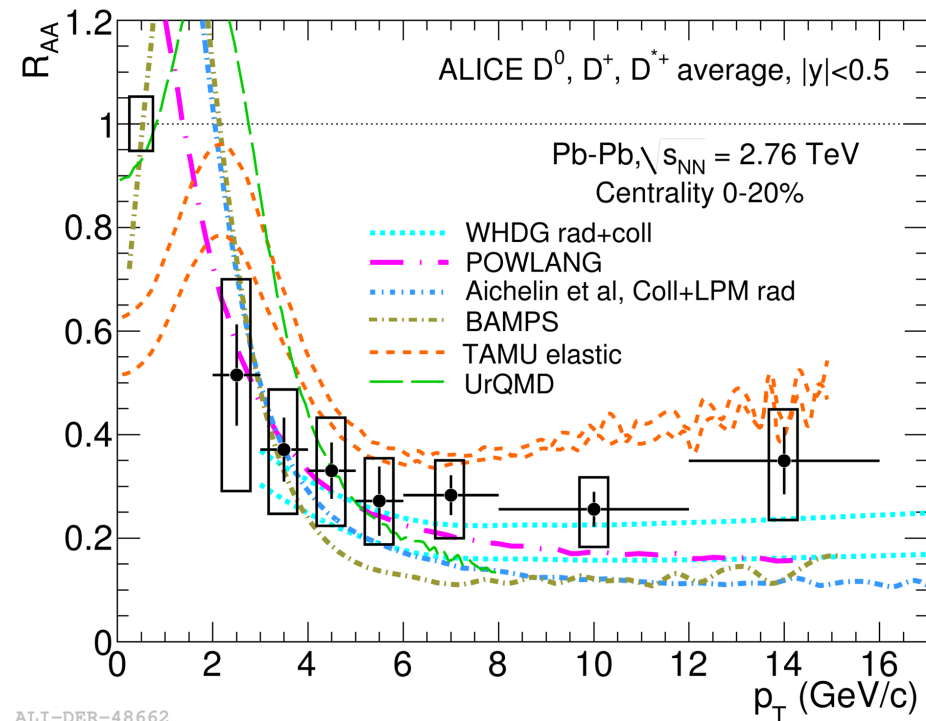
- Models of in-medium parton energy loss can describe reasonably well heavy flavour decay muons at forward rapidity and D mesons at midrapidity

# $R_{AA}$ and $v_2$ for D mesons



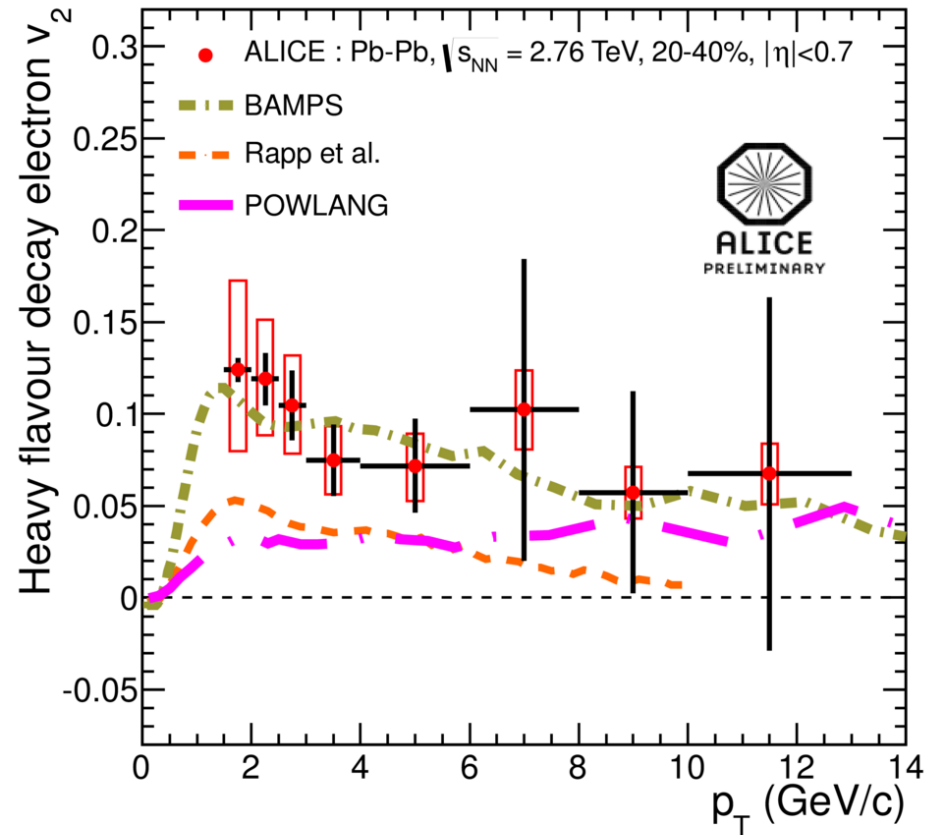
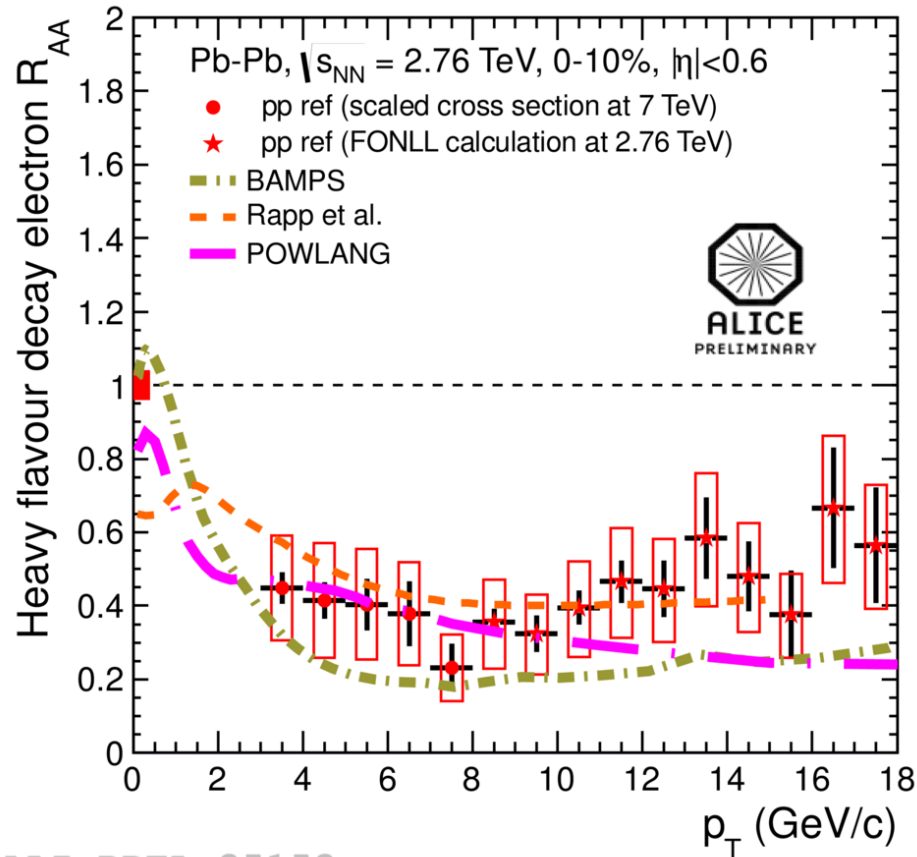
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- Challenge: successful models should provide a simultaneous description of D meson  $R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$
- Data: a reduction of uncertainties (both statistical and systematic) is needed

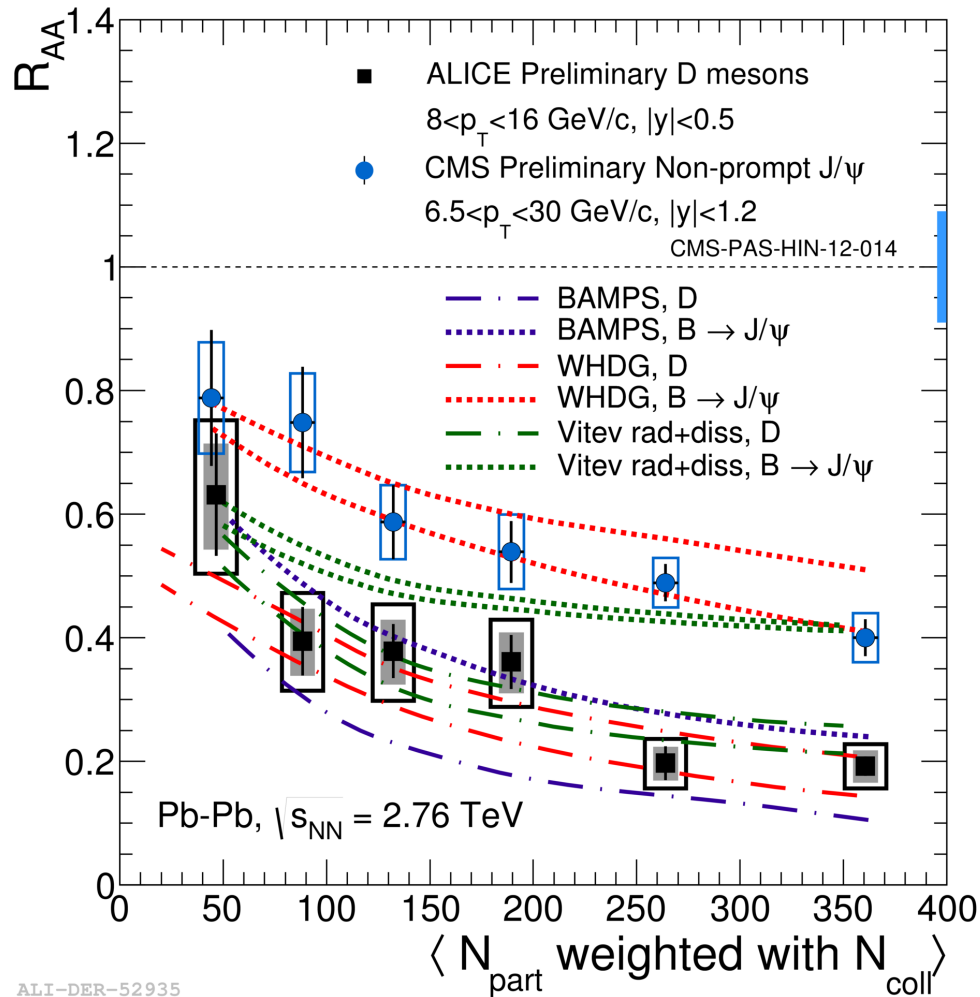
# $R_{AA}$ and $v_2$ for Heavy Flavour electrons



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- Challenge: successful models should provide a simultaneous description of HF electrons  $R_{AA}$  and  $v_2$
- Data: a reduction of uncertainties (both statistical and systematic) is needed

# Comparison with models: centrality dependence



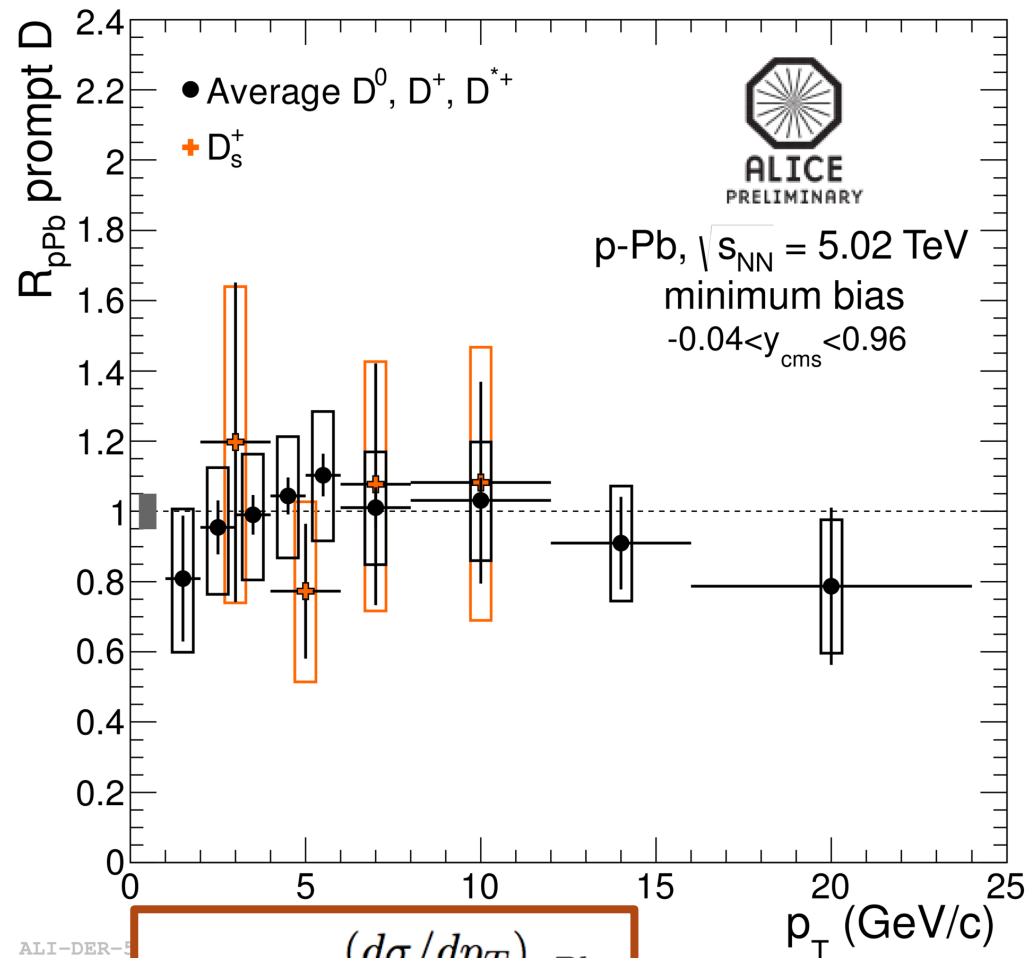
- Testing the mass hierarchy of energy loss:  $R_{AA}(c) > R_{AA}(b)$  expected
- $p_T$  ranges chosen to have similar kinematics for D and B mesons measured via J/ $\psi$ , though with different  $y$  ranges
  - ✓  $\langle p_T \rangle^D \sim 10.5 \text{ GeV}/c$
  - ✓  $\langle p_T \rangle^B \sim 11.5 \text{ GeV}/c$
- Indication of a smaller energy loss for beauty w.r.t. charm
- WHDG model: agreement with both D and non prompt J/ $\psi$



# p-Pb: cold nuclear matter effects



- $R_{PbPb} \rightarrow$  evidence for a strong medium effects in nuclear collisions for prompt D mesons
- $R_{pPb} \rightarrow$  assessment of cold nuclear matter effects
- pPb data collected in February 2013
- $R_{pPb}$  for  $D^0$ ,  $D^+$ ,  $D^{*+}$  and  $D_s \rightarrow$  compatible with unity within uncertainties



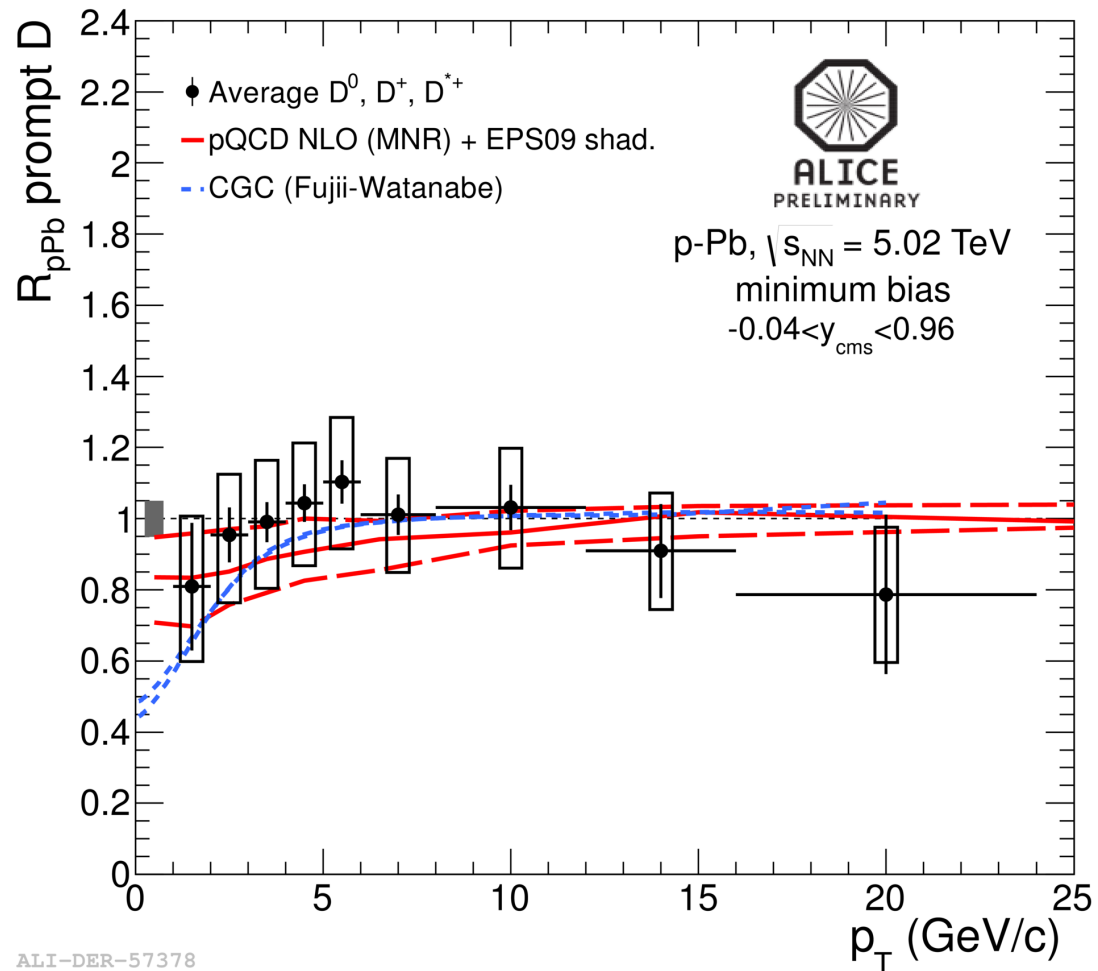
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$$R_{pPb} = \frac{(d\sigma/dp_T)_{pPb}}{A \times (d\sigma/dp_T)_{pp}}$$

# RpPb: comparison with predictions



- Average  $R_{pPb}$  compared with predictions from pQCD (MNR) including shadowing (EPS09):
  - ✓ M.Mangano, P.Nason and G.Ridolfi, Nucl. Phys. B373 (1992) 295
  - ✓ K.J.Eskola, H.Paukkunen and C.A. salgado JHEP 0904 (2009) 065
- and to calculations done in the framework of the CGC approach
- Data consistent with predictions within statistical and systematic uncertainties

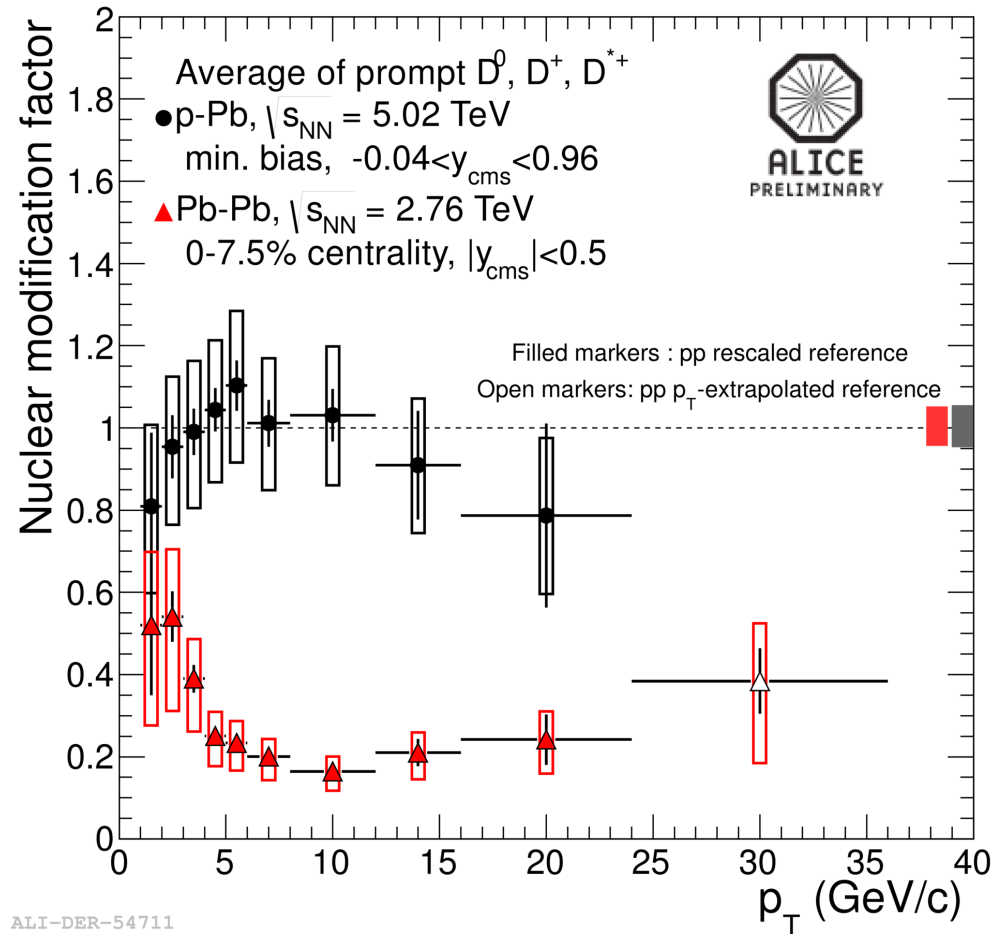


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# Comparison with $R_{PbPb}$



- The observed suppression in nucleus-nucleus collisions is a final state effect

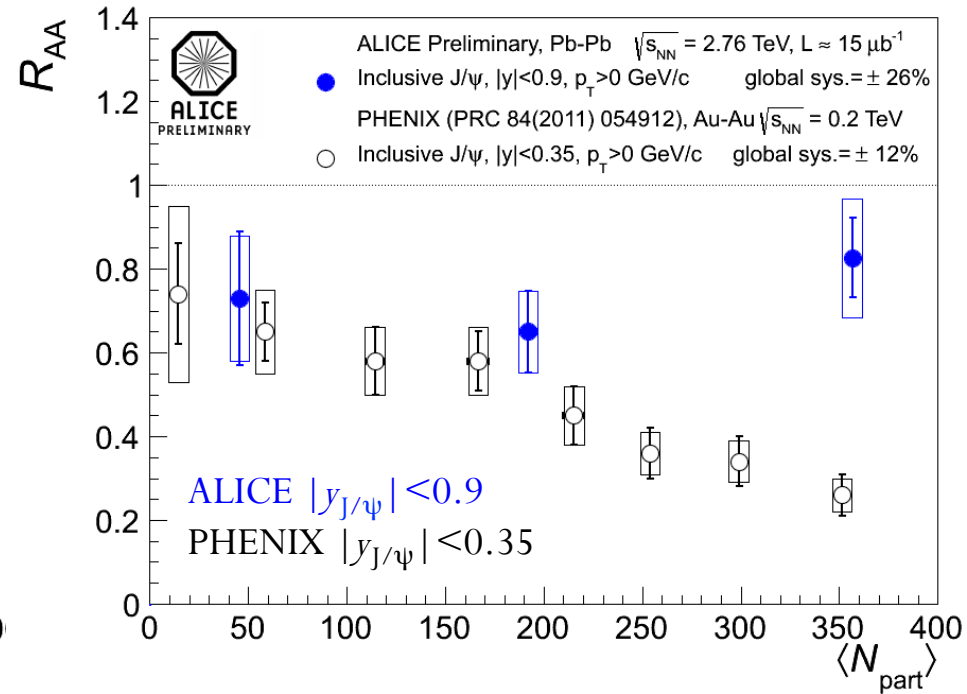
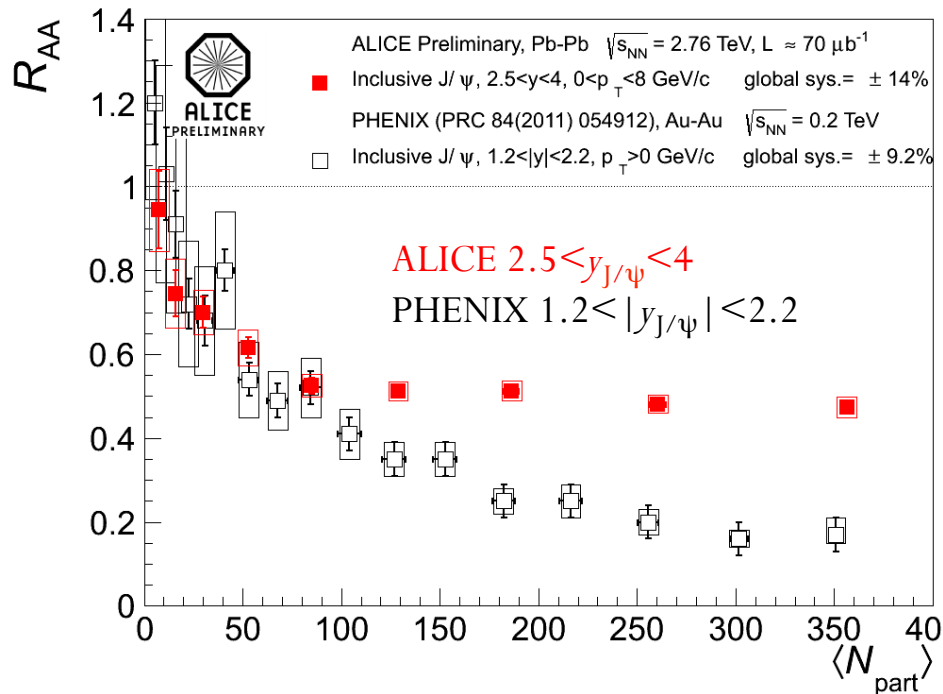


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# Quarkonia in ALICE

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# J/ψ R<sub>AA</sub> as a function of centrality

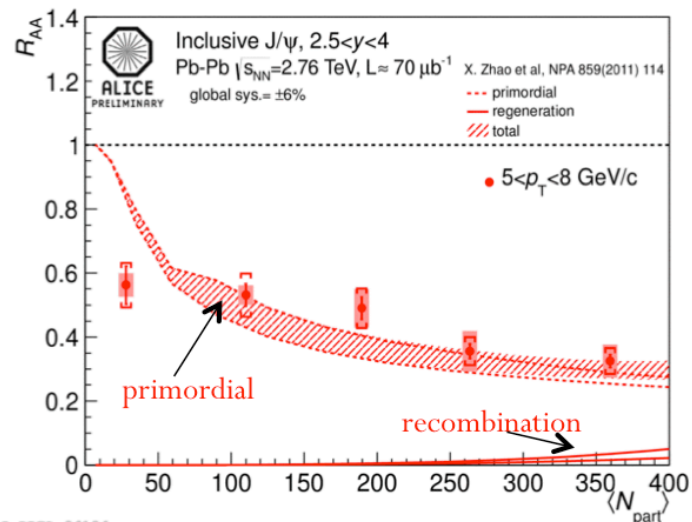
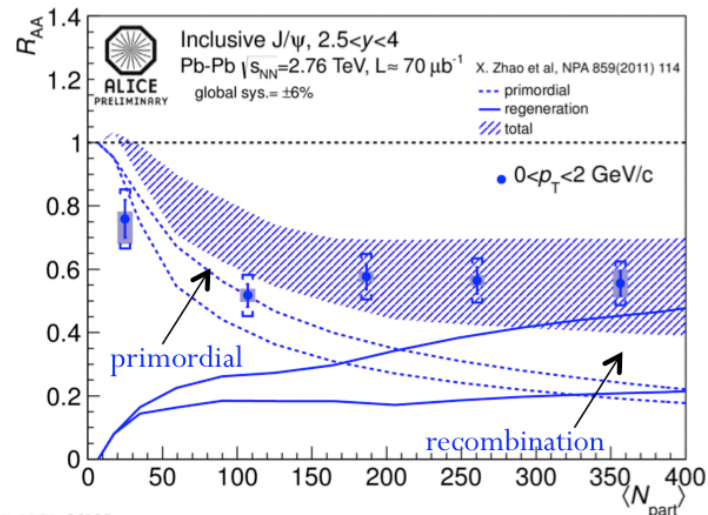


- From RHIC ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 0.2$  TeV) to LHC ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  TeV):
  - ✓ ALICE: clear J/ψ suppression with no centrality dependence for  $N_{part} > 100$
  - ✓ ALICE: stronger suppression at forward rapidity for central events
  - ✓ PHENIX: Strong centrality dependence
  - ✓ PHENIX: stronger suppression w.r.t. ALICE for central event
- Data qualitatively consistent with a significant role of recombination at LHC energies



# J/ $\psi$ $R_{AA}$ vs centrality in $p_T$ bins

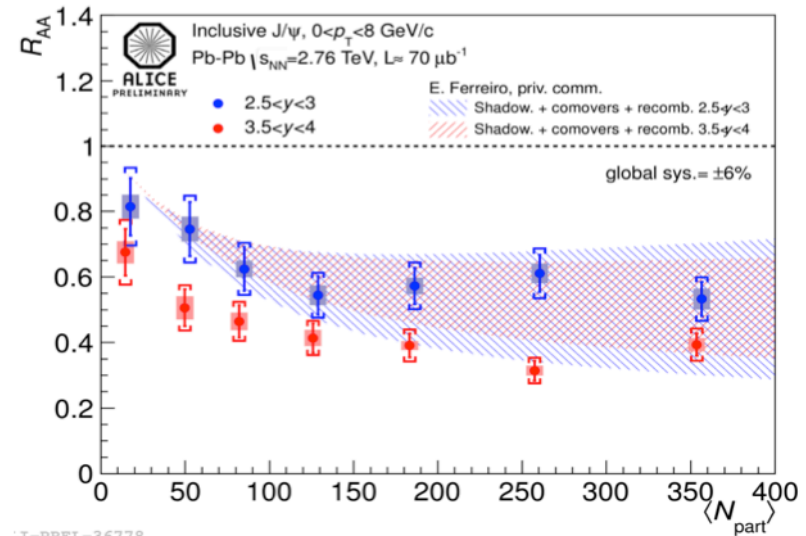
- J/ $\psi$  production via (re)combination should be more important at low transverse momentum
- Stronger suppression at high  $p_T$
- Expectation from model:
  - ✓ ~50% of low  $p_T$  J/ $\psi$  are produced via (re)combination
  - ✓ recombination negligible at high  $p_T$
  - ✓ data are in fair agreement with the expectation for  $N_{part} > 100$



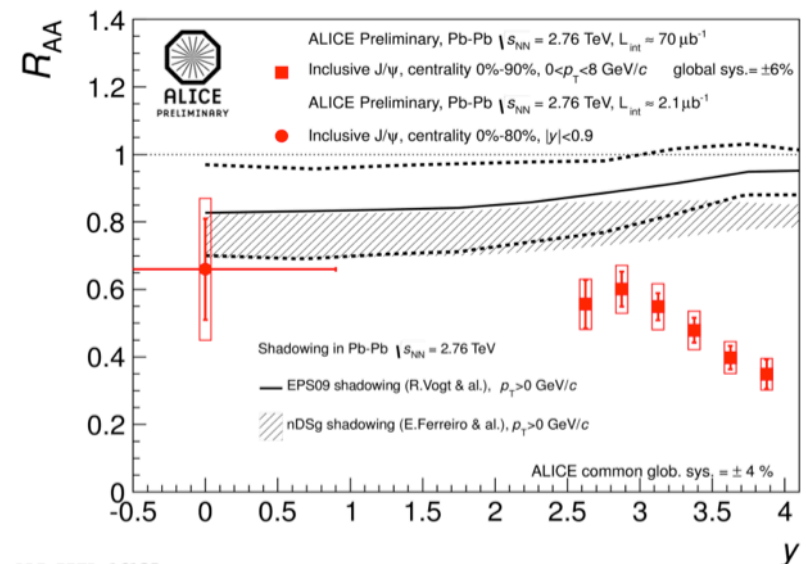


# J/ψ R<sub>AA</sub>: rapidity dependence

- J/ψ R<sub>AA</sub> decreases by 40% from y=2.5 to y=4
- Comover+regeneration model shows a weaker rapidity dependence
- Suppression beyond the current shadowing estimates
- Important to quantify cold nuclear matter effects in pPb collisions



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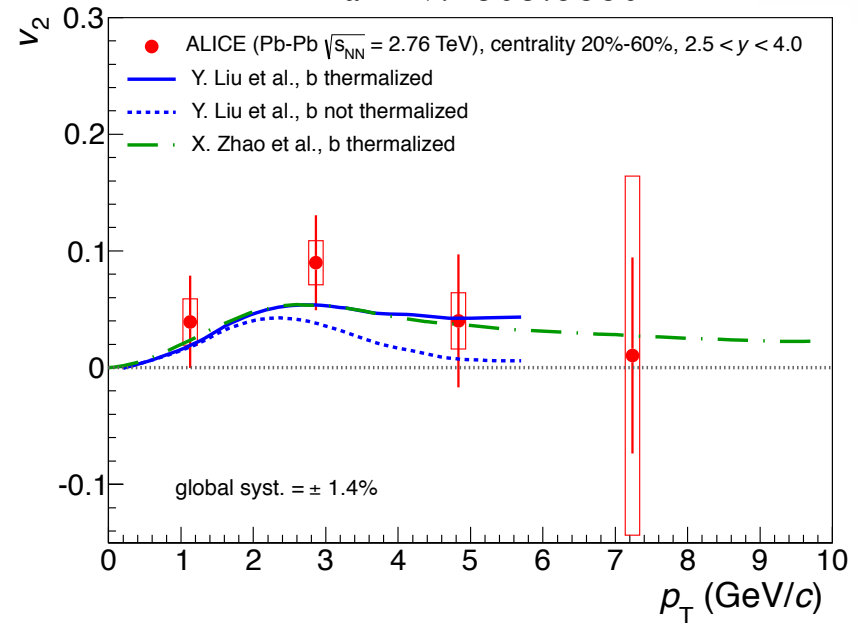
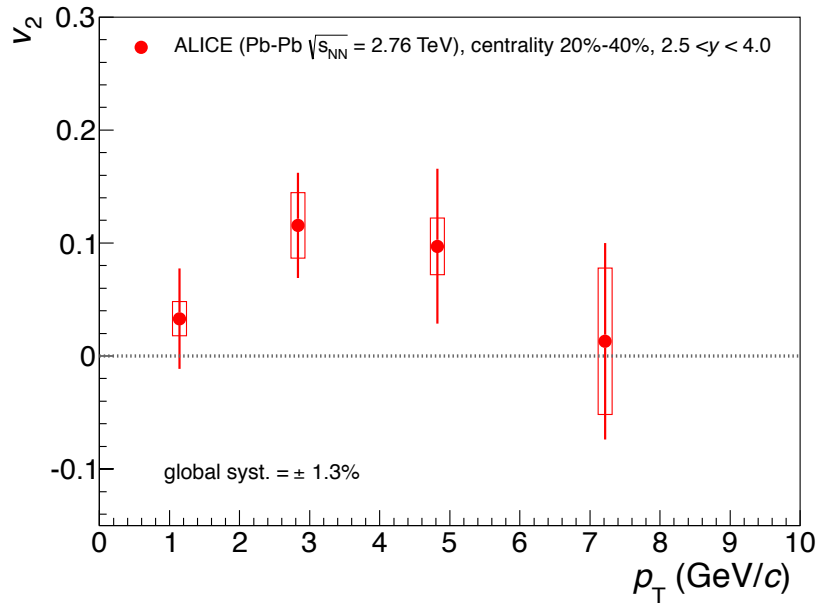


ALICE PRELIMINARY

# J/ $\psi$ elliptic flow



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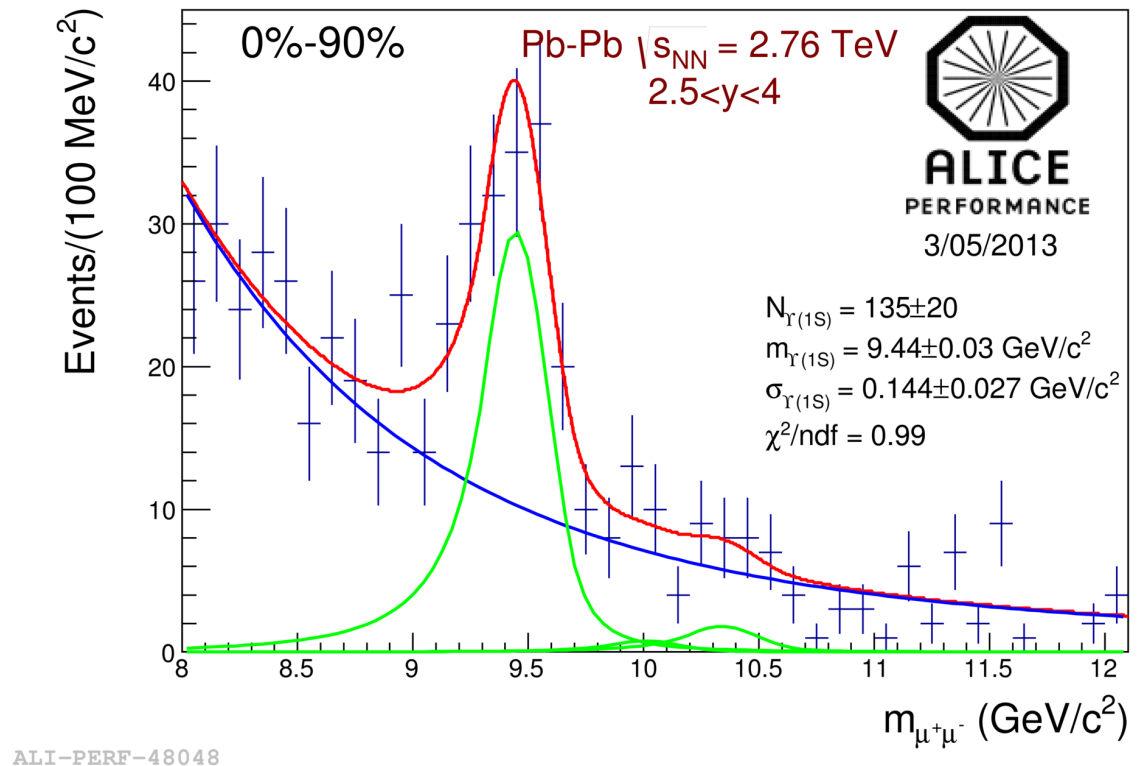
- The contribution of J/ $\psi$  from (re)combination should imply a significant elliptic flow at the LHC
- Data are suggestive for a non zero flow in ALICE (significance up to  $3\sigma$ ), while it was  $v_2 \sim 0$  at RHIC
- Qualitative agreement with transport models including regeneration



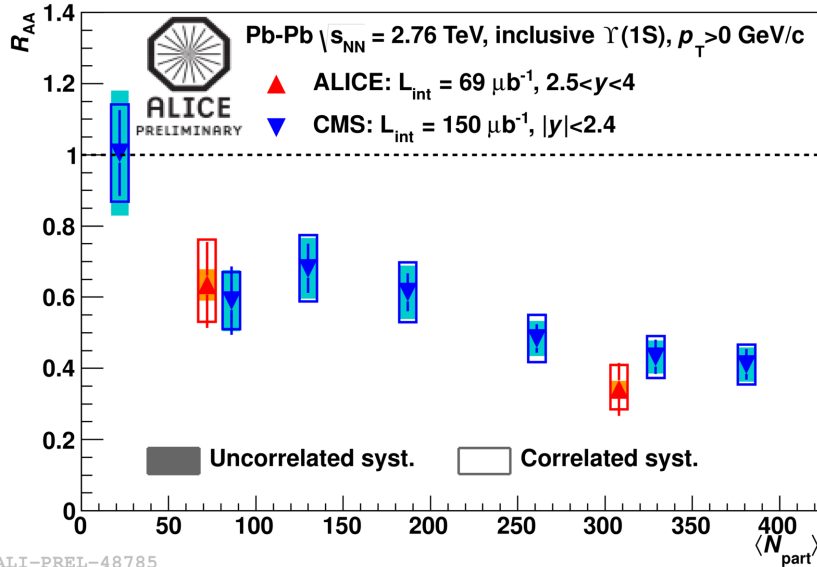
# Bottomonium: the $\Upsilon$ family



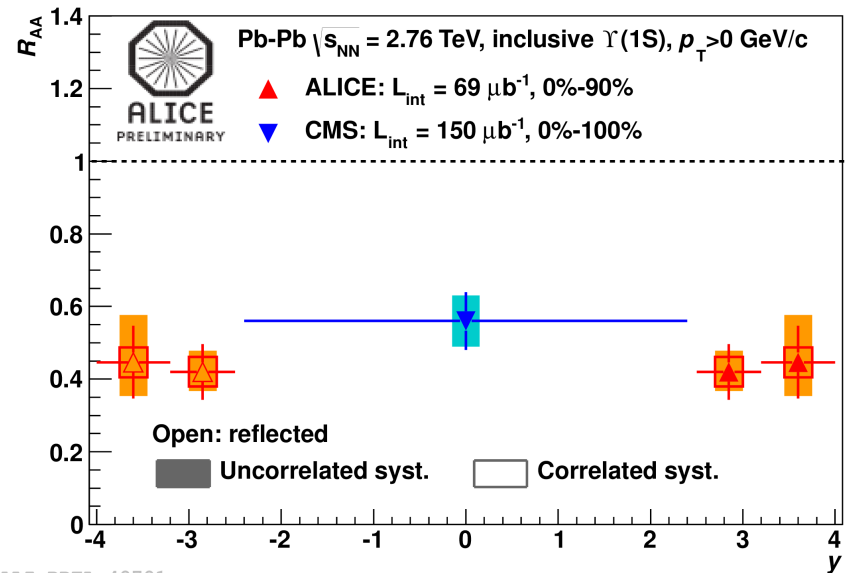
- LHC is the place to study bottomonium in heavy ion collisions
- Features:
  - ✓ no B hadron feed-down
  - ✓ gluon shadowing effect are smaller
  - ✓ recombination plays a minor or negligible role
- Excellent data from CMS



# $\Upsilon(1S) R_{AA}$



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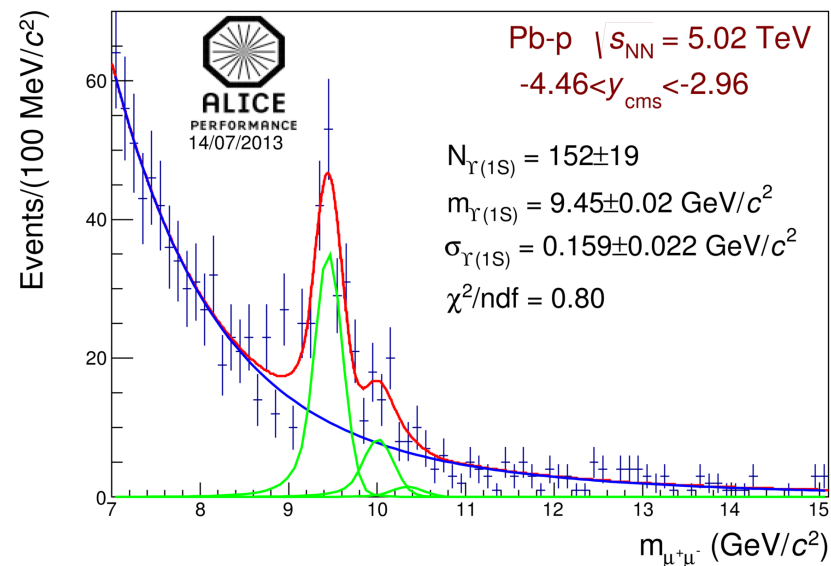
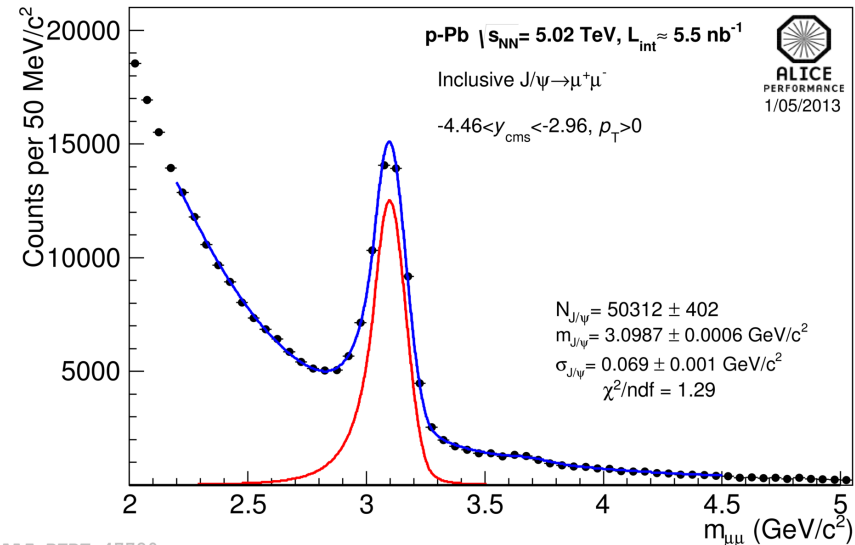
CMS PRL 109, 222301 (2012)

- Relevant suppression increasing with centrality
- Factor 2.5 for central collisions
- Reference pp cross section at 2.76 TeV from an interpolation procedure
- No evidence of rapidity dependence
- Observed  $R_{AA}$  significantly due to higher states suppression: in pp  $\sim 50\%$  of  $\Upsilon(1S)$  are not prompt

# p-Pb collisions



- First results from p-Pb data at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV
- Data sample in the dimuon channel for the present results:
  - ✓ p-Pb ( $2.03 < y_{CMS} < 3.53$ ) –  $L_{int} \sim 5$  nb<sup>-1</sup>
  - ✓ Pb-p ( $-4.46 < y_{CMS} < -2.96$ ) –  $L_{int} \sim 6$  nb<sup>-1</sup>
- Goals:
  - ✓ study Cold Nuclear Matter effects on J/ψ
  - ✓ give a reference for PbPb collisions



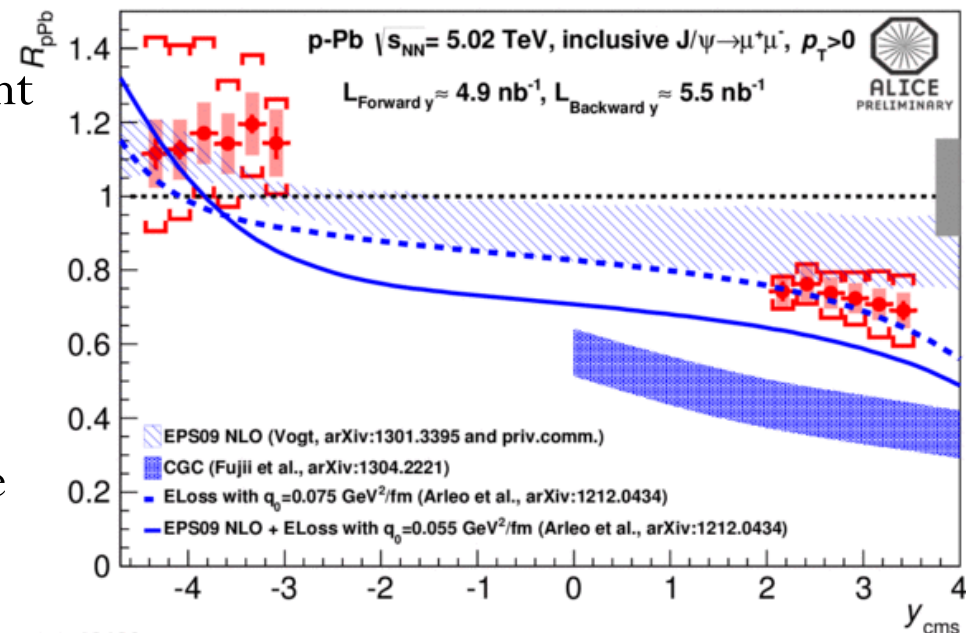
# Nuclear modification factor $R_{pA}$



- $R_{pA}$  decreases towards forward rapidity
- Uncertainty dominated by the pp reference (based on data interpolation):
  - ✓ ~25% (18%) at backward (forward) rapidity
- Boxes  $\rightarrow$  uncorrelated ; Brackets  $\rightarrow$  largely correlated; grey box at 1  $\rightarrow$  fully correlated

$$R_{pPb}^{Q\bar{Q}} = \frac{Y_{pPb}^{Q\bar{Q}}}{\langle T_{pPb} \rangle \sigma_{pp}^{Q\bar{Q}}}$$

- Theoretical expectations: fair agreement within the uncertainties with:
  - ✓ shadowing EPS09 NLO calculations (R. Vogt)
  - ✓ models including parton energy loss contributions (Arleo et Al)
- CGC description is not favoured by the data

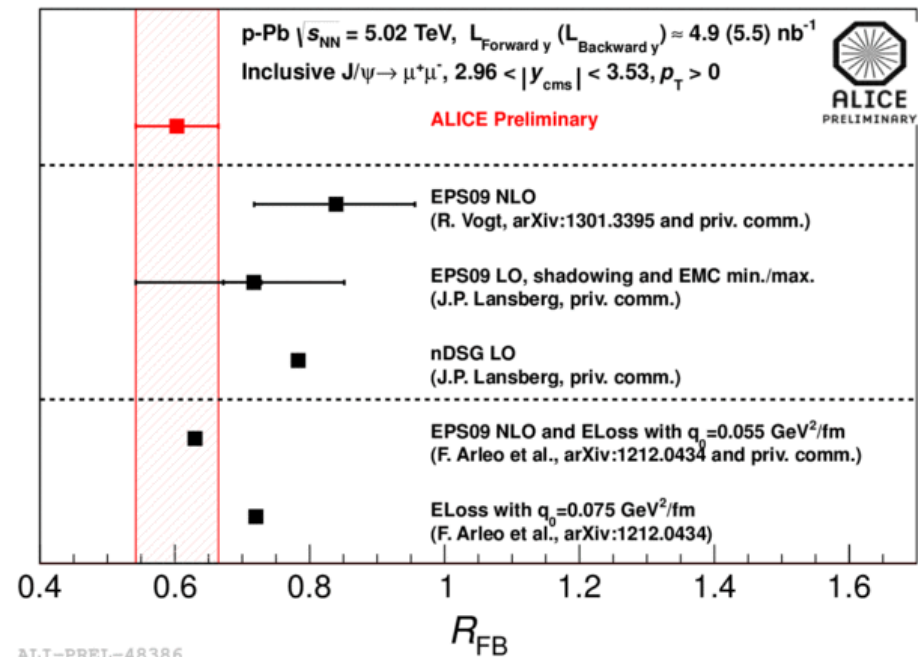
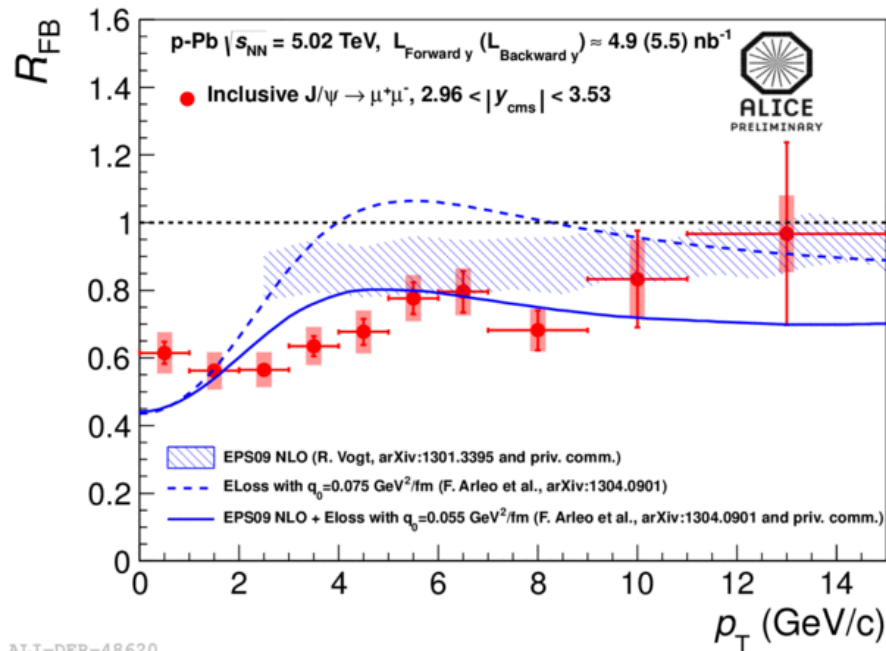




# Ratio forward/backward yields: $R_{FB}$

- $R_{FB}$  free from uncertainties on the pp reference
- $R_{FB}$  vs  $p_T$ : stronger forward to backward suppression at low  $p_T$
- $R_{FB}$  does not depend on  $y$  in the restricted rapidity range  $2.96 < |y_{CMS}| < 3.53$
- Pure shadowing overestimates slightly the data
- Better agreement with for models including energy loss

$$R_{FB} = \frac{Y_{Q\bar{Q}}^{Forward}}{Y_{Q\bar{Q}}^{Backward}}$$



# Conclusions



- **Heavy Flavours:**

- ✓ pp data are described by perturbative QCD → HF are a calibrated probe
- ✓ Pb-Pb data:
  - there is a clear suppression, with hints of a stronger suppression for charm than for beauty.
  - no strong conclusions can be drawn from the  $R_{AA}$  comparison of D mesons and pions at low  $p_T$ , given the large uncertainties and that different mechanisms are at work in the two cases (soft production and radial flow for pions)
- ✓ pPb data:
  - results consistent with pQCD + shadowing: the observed suppression in Pb-Pb collisions is a hot nuclear matter effect

- **Quarkonium:**

- ✓  $J/\psi$  production studied vs.  $p_T$  and rapidity. The observed  $v_2$  and  $R_{AA}$  vs centrality indicate that the  $J/\psi$  production occurs also through recombination, especially at low  $p_T$
- ✓  $\Upsilon$  : a relevant suppression has been observed also for the bottomonium. The suppression is stronger for central events. The combined results from CMS and ALICE indicate that there is not a dependence on  $y$  within the present uncertainties
- ✓ pPb: the  $R_{FB}$  and  $R_{AA}$  ratios for  $J/\psi$  is in fair agreement with models including shadowing and/or a coherent energy loss of the partons in cold nuclear matter

# Backup

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# Parton Distribution Functions

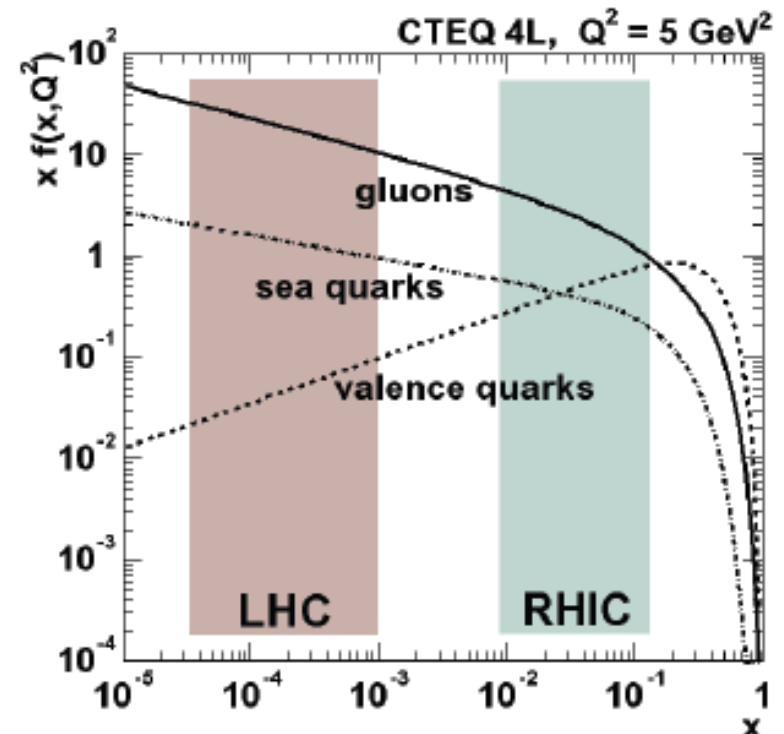


- PDFs: probability of finding a parton with a fraction  $x$  of the proton momentum, in a hard scattering with momentum transfer (virtuality)  $Q^2$

⇒ PDFs are obtained by means of a global fit to experimental data, for one or more physical processes which can be calculated using pQCD, such as deep inelastic scattering and the Drell-Yan process

⇒ PDFs depends on the  $Q^2$  value

⇒ The  $Q^2$  evolution can be calculated in pQCD, using the DGLAP equations



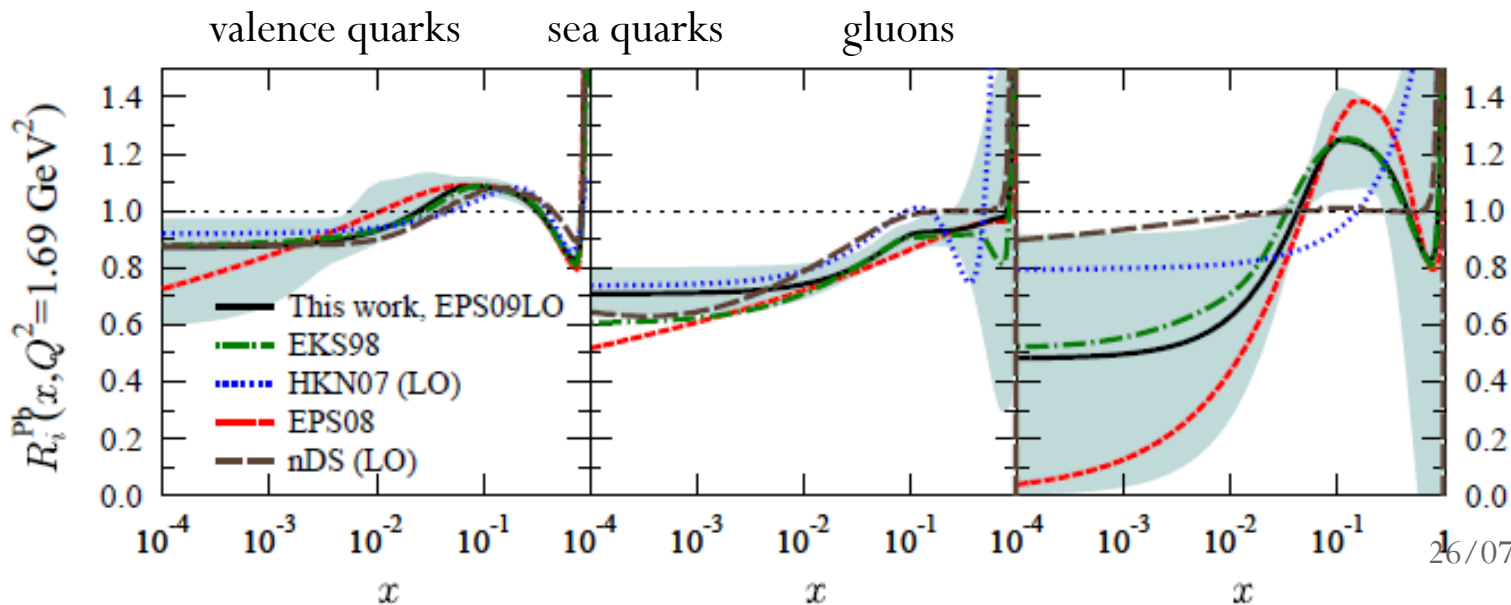


# PDF in nuclei



- Parton distributions in nuclei are modified with respect to those in a free nucleon
  - ✓ First observed by EMC experiment in 1983
- Nuclear modification depends on:
  - ✓ Fraction  $x$  of the hadron momentum carried by the parton
  - ✓ Momentum scale  $Q^2$
  - ✓ Mass number of the nucleus
- Different parameterizations are available to convert free nucleon distributions into the nuclear one

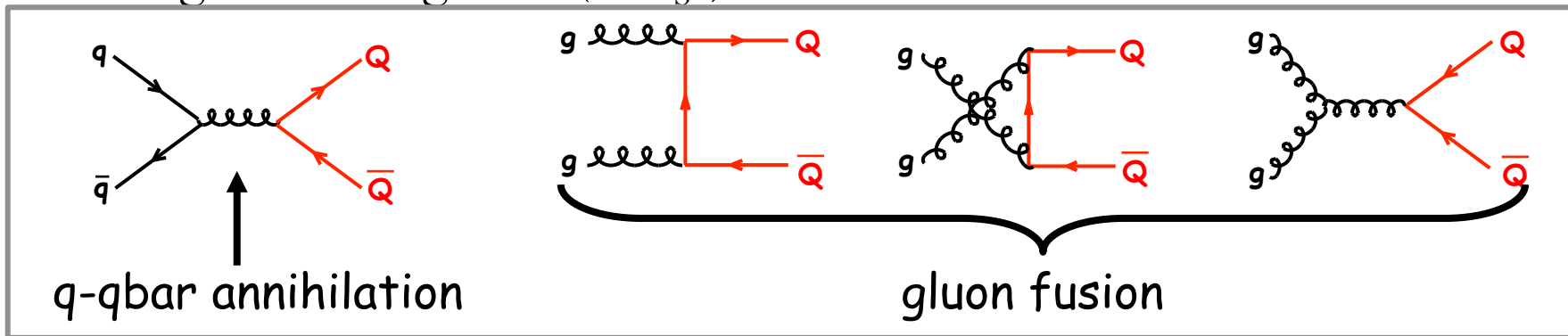
$$\Rightarrow R_i^A(x, Q^2) = \frac{f_i^A(x, Q^2)}{f_i^P(x, Q^2)}$$



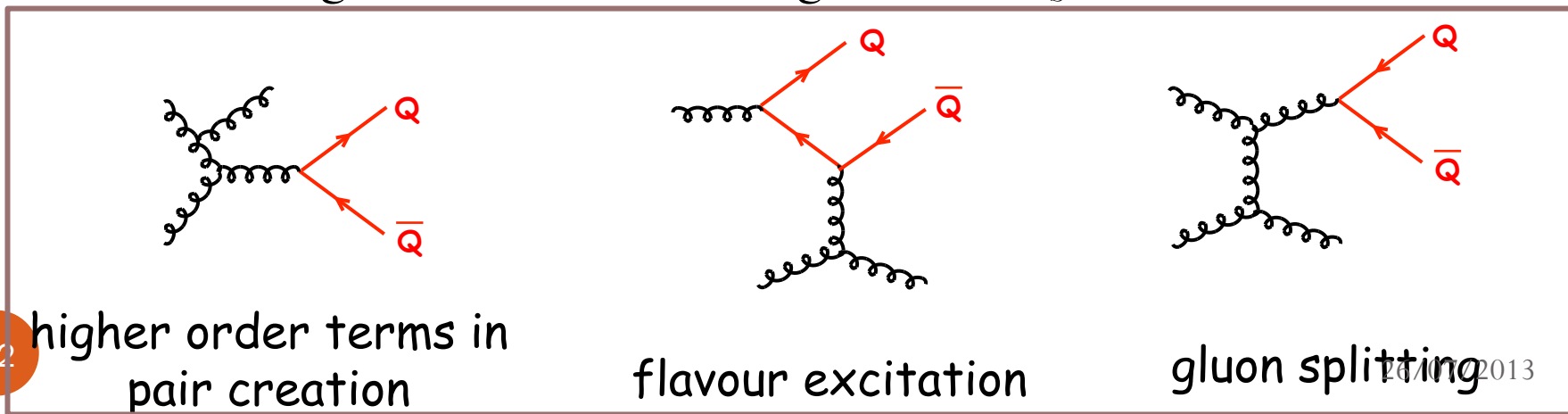
# Partonic cross section



- Perturbative expansion in powers of  $\alpha_s$ 
  - ✓ State of the art: FONLL = Fixed Order calculation (at NLO) + resummation of next to leading logs
- Leading order diagrams ( $\propto \alpha_s^2$ )



- Next to leading order additional diagrams ( $\propto \alpha_s^3$ )



# Fragmentation function



- Fragmentation function  $D_{q \rightarrow H}(z, Q^2)$  gives the probability that a quark  $q$  produces an hadron  $H$  carrying a fraction  $z$  of the quark momentum ( $p_H = zp_q$ )

✓ Usually extracted from  $e^+e^-$  data and used in other collision systems

- In case of heavy quark fragmentation, the D/B meson takes a large fraction  $z$  of the quark momentum

⇒ Fragmentation function shows a peak for  $z$  close to 1 (-> hard fragmentation function)

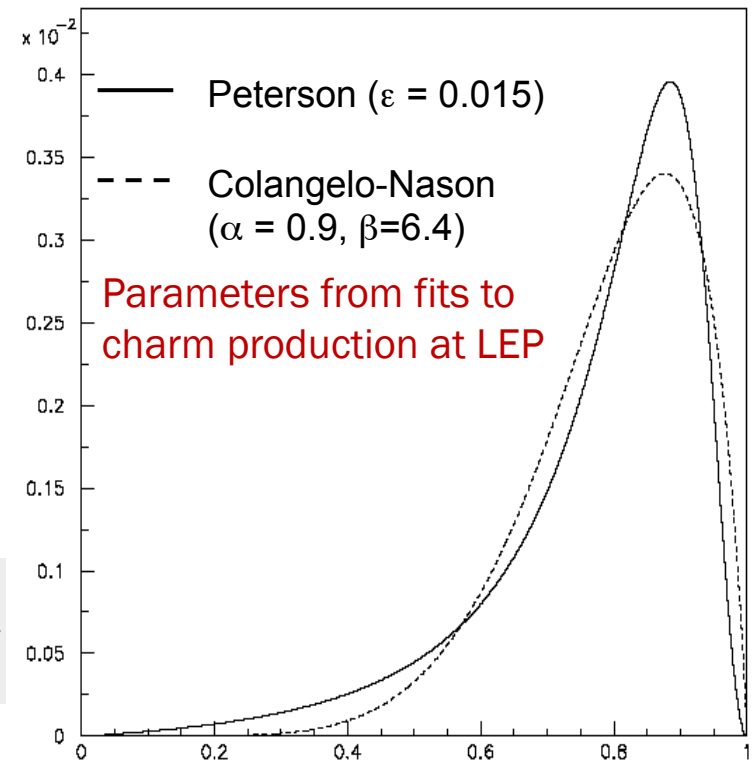
⇒ Example of parameterizations:

Peterson

$$D_{D/c}(z) \propto \frac{1}{z[1 - 1/z - \epsilon/(1-z)]^2}$$

Colangelo-Nason

$$D_{D/c}(z) \propto (1-z)^\alpha z^\beta$$





# Nuclear effects

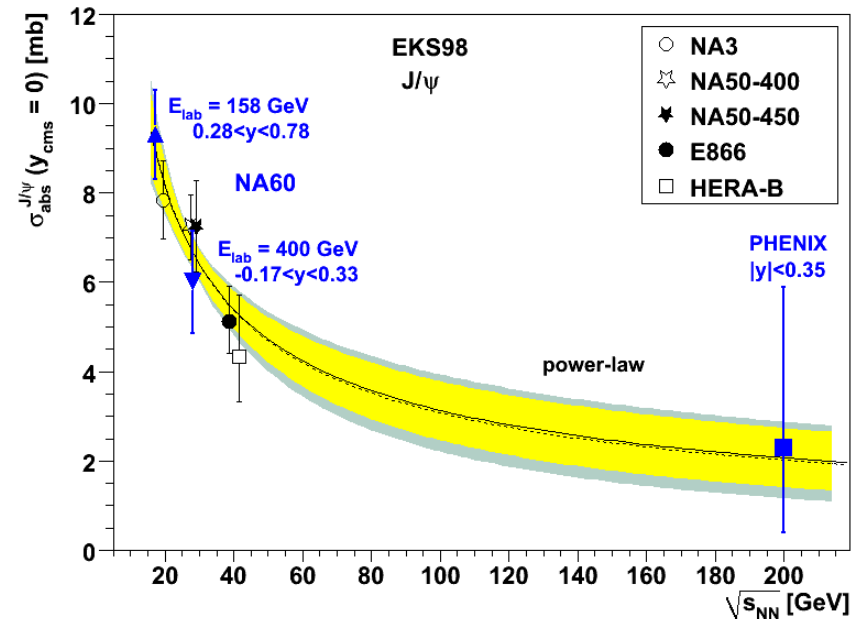
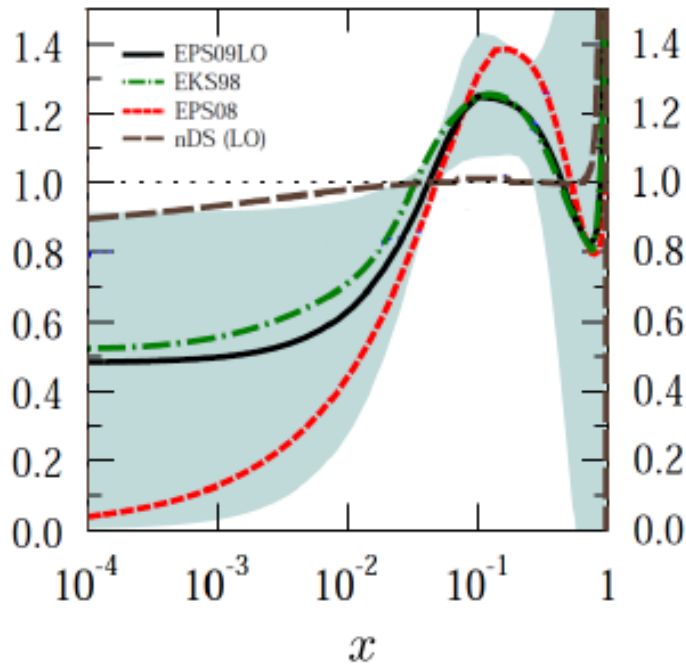
- Interpretation of results not easy
  - many competing effects affect  $J/\psi$  production/propagation in nuclei
    - anti-shadowing (with large uncertainties on gluon densities!)
    - final state absorption...
  - need to disentangle the different contributions

Size of shadowing effects may be large → to be taken into account comparing results at different  $\sqrt{s}$

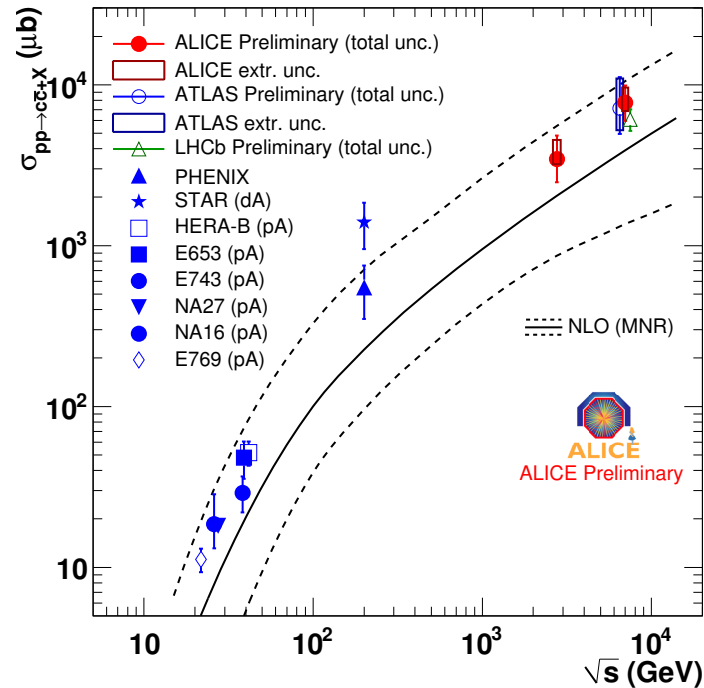
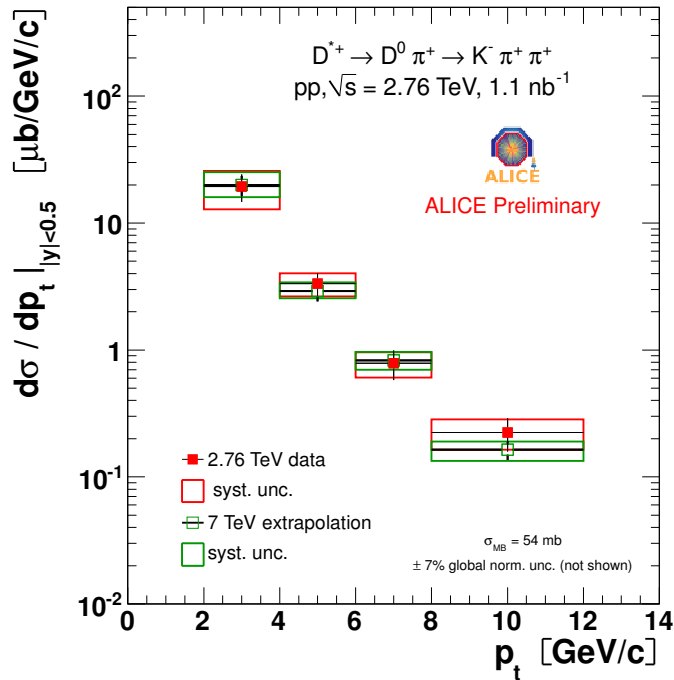
- Clear tendency towards stronger absorption at low  $\sqrt{s}$

$$R_i^{\text{Pb}}(x, Q^2 = 1.69 \text{ GeV}^2)$$

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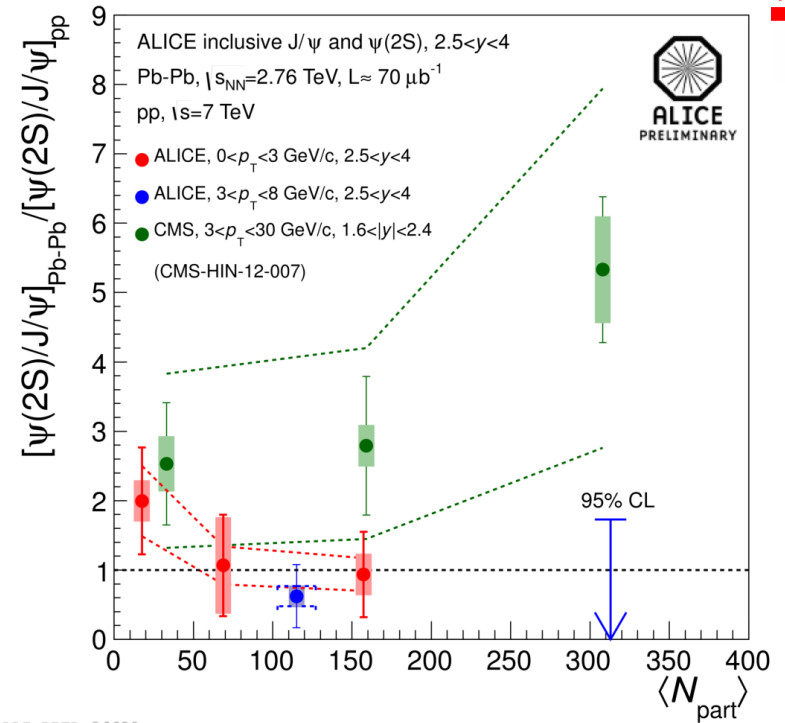
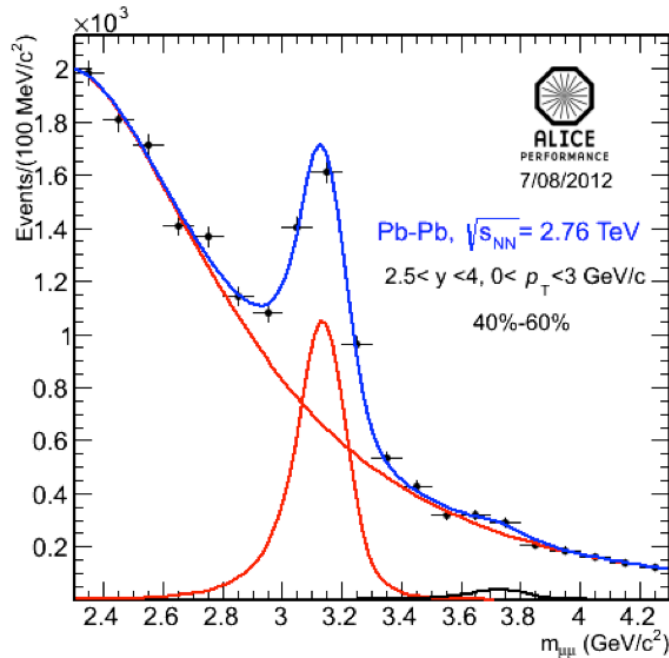


# Extrapolation to $\sqrt{s}=2.76$ TeV and total charm $\sigma$



- Three days of data taking @2.76 TeV ( $1.1 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ ) → same energy as PbPb
- 7 TeV data have been scaled to 2.76 using FONLL 2.76/7 factor (R.Averbeck et Al., arXiv:1107.3243)
  - ✓ Scaling uncertainty: from 25% at low  $p_T$  to 10% at high  $p_T$
  - ✓ Checked with ALICE @2.76 TeV and CDF data at 1.96 TeV
- Total charm cross section (extrapolated to  $p_T=0$  and full rapidity) is in good agreement with ATLAS and LHCb measurements

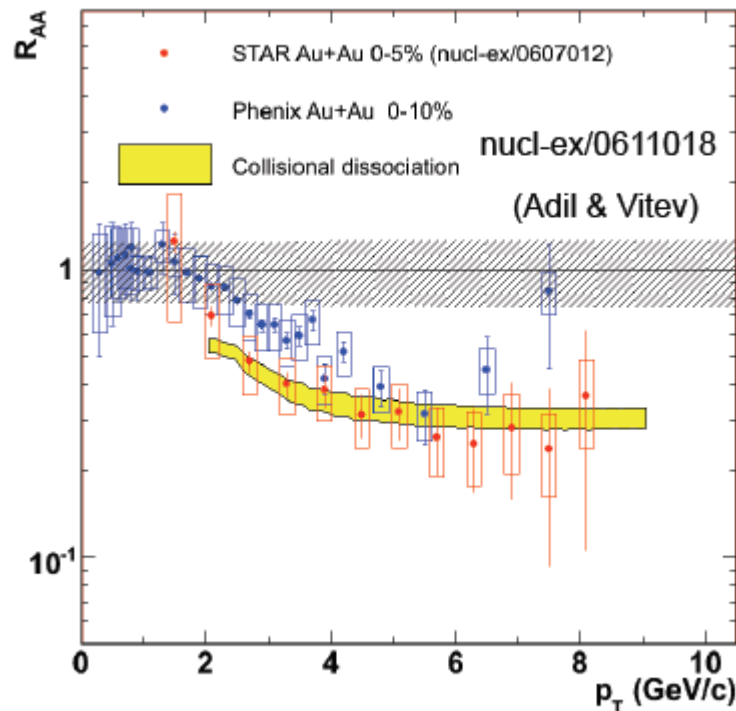
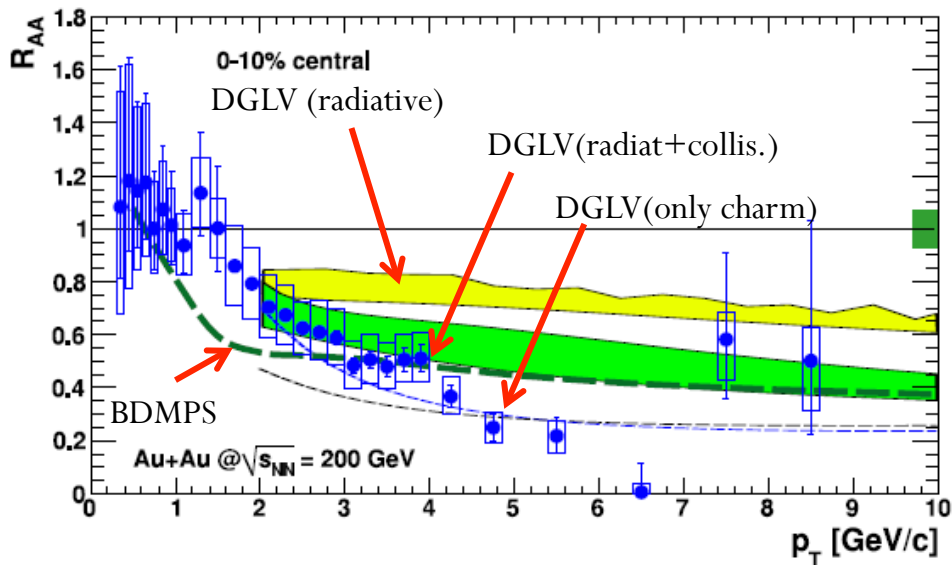
# $\psi(2s)$ vs $J/\psi$



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- $\psi(2s)$  is much less bound than  $J/\psi$
- At the SPS  $\psi(2s)/(J/\psi)$  suppression increased with centrality
- CMS data are suggestive for a relative enhancement of  $\psi(2s)$  vs  $J/\psi$
- ALICE excludes a large enhancement
- No firm conclusion can be drawn due to the large uncertainties. Main systematics from signal extraction and MC input for acceptance calculation
- More precise measurement expected with the ALICE upgrade

# $R_{AA}$ at RHIC: interpretations



- Collisional energy loss to be taken into account?
- Energy loss models sensitive to the B/D admixture
  - ✓ Important to establish b and c contributions, since their energy loss should be different

- Collisional dissociation of D/B mesons formed in the medium early after hard scattering?