

# J/ψ production in pp and Pb-Pb collisions measured by ALICE at LHC



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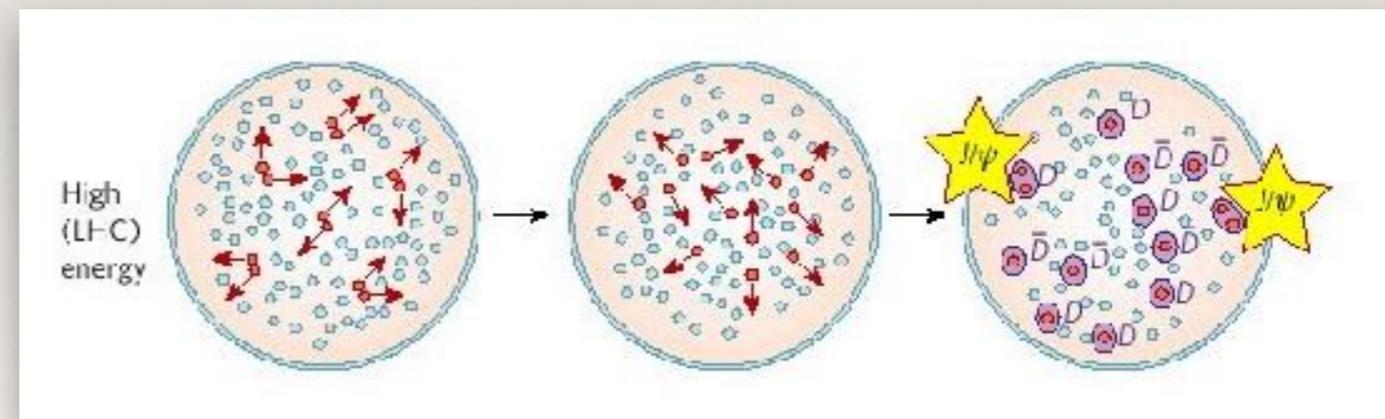
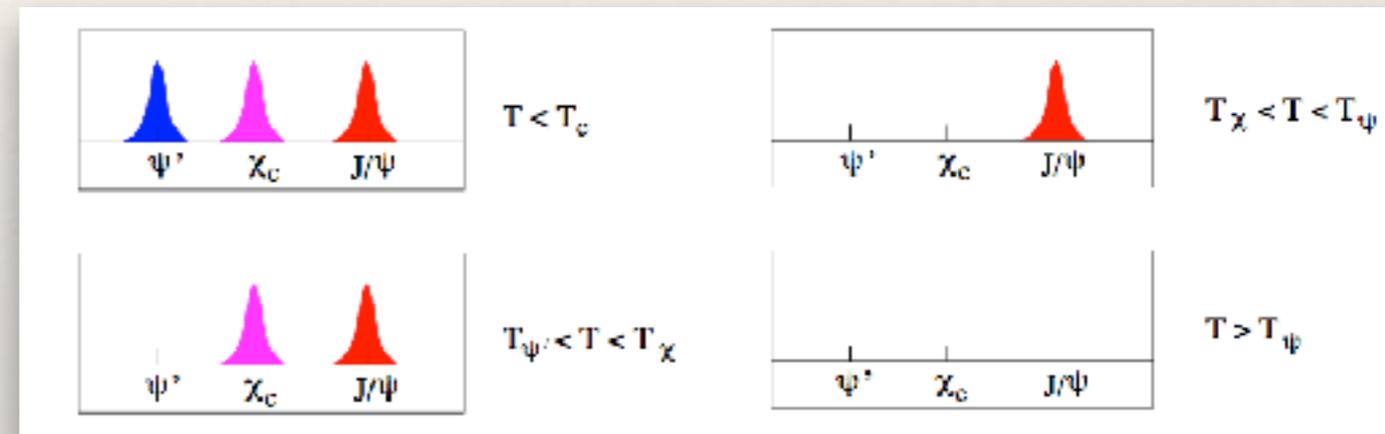
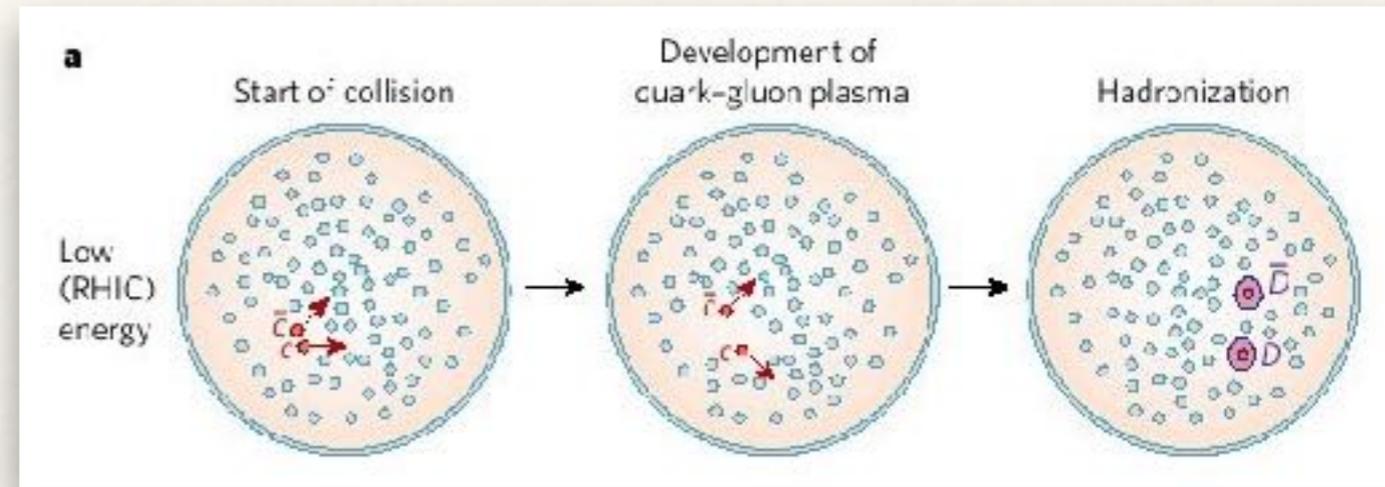
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## Outline

- I. Physics Motivations
- II. The ALICE Detector
- III. J/ψ production in pp collisions
- IV. J/ψ production in Pb-Pb collisions

# Physics Motivations

- ❖ Charmonium is produced at the earliest stage of the collision.
- ❖  $J/\psi$  suppression by the QGP through Debye like color screening mechanism<sup>1</sup>.
- ❖ Color screening suppression depends on charmonium binding energy and medium temperature → Sequential suppression
- ❖  $c\bar{c}$  cross-section increases at LHC energies → regeneration<sup>2,3</sup>.
- ❖ charmonium states = good probes of deconfined state of QCD phase diagram.



1) Matsui & Satz,  $J/\psi$  suppression by quark-gluon plasma formation, Physics Letters B vol.178 n.4  
 2) P. Braun-Munzinger et al. PLB 490 (2000) 196  
 3) R. Thews et al: Phys. Rev. C63 054905 (2001)

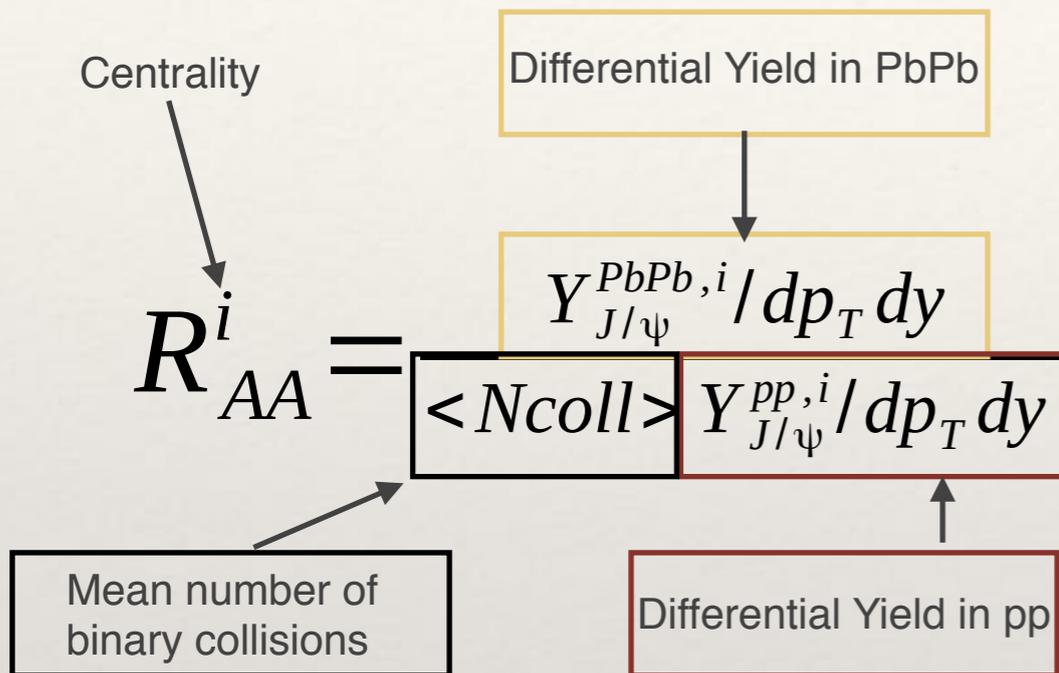
- ❖ Charmonium also sensitive to cold nuclear matter effects (energy loss, shadowing ...) → **Studied in p-Pb collisions.**
- ❖ A reference is needed to disentangle cold/hot nuclear matter effects from standard production → **Studied in p-p collisions.**
- ❖ Different sources of charmonium production :
  - ❖ Direct production.
  - ❖ Decay from higher mass charmonium states ( $\sim 24\%$ ).
  - ❖ Decay from B-hadrons ( $\sim 10\%$ ).

Inclusive

1) The LHCb Coll., *Measurement of the ratio of prompt  $x_c$  to  $J/\psi$  production in  $pp$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV*, arXiv:1204.1462v2  
 2) The LHCb Coll., *Measurement of  $\psi(2S)$  meson production in  $pp$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV*, arXiv:1204.1258  
 3) The LHCb Coll., *Measurement of  $J/\psi$  production in  $pp$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV*, arXiv:1103.0423v2

❖ Assumption :  $\odot_{Pb} \rightarrow \leftarrow \odot_{Pb} = \langle N_{coll} \rangle \bullet_p \rightarrow \leftarrow \bullet_p$

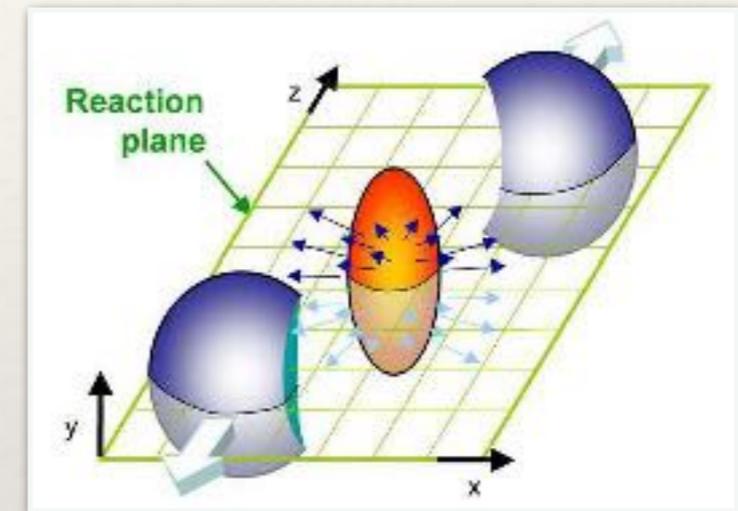
## The Nuclear Modification Factor



- ❖ If  $R_{AA} > 1$  → More charmonium produced than expected from pp results.
- ❖ If  $R_{AA} = 1$  → Hard to conclude...
- ❖ If  $R_{AA} < 1$  → Less charmonium than expected from pp results.

## The Elliptic Flow $v_2$

$$v_n^i(p_t, y) = \langle \cos[n(\varphi - \Psi_{RP})] \rangle^i$$



- ❖ J/ψ produced through the regeneration mechanism should inherit the elliptic flow of the charm quarks in the QGP → Positive  $v_2$ .

# The ALICE Detector

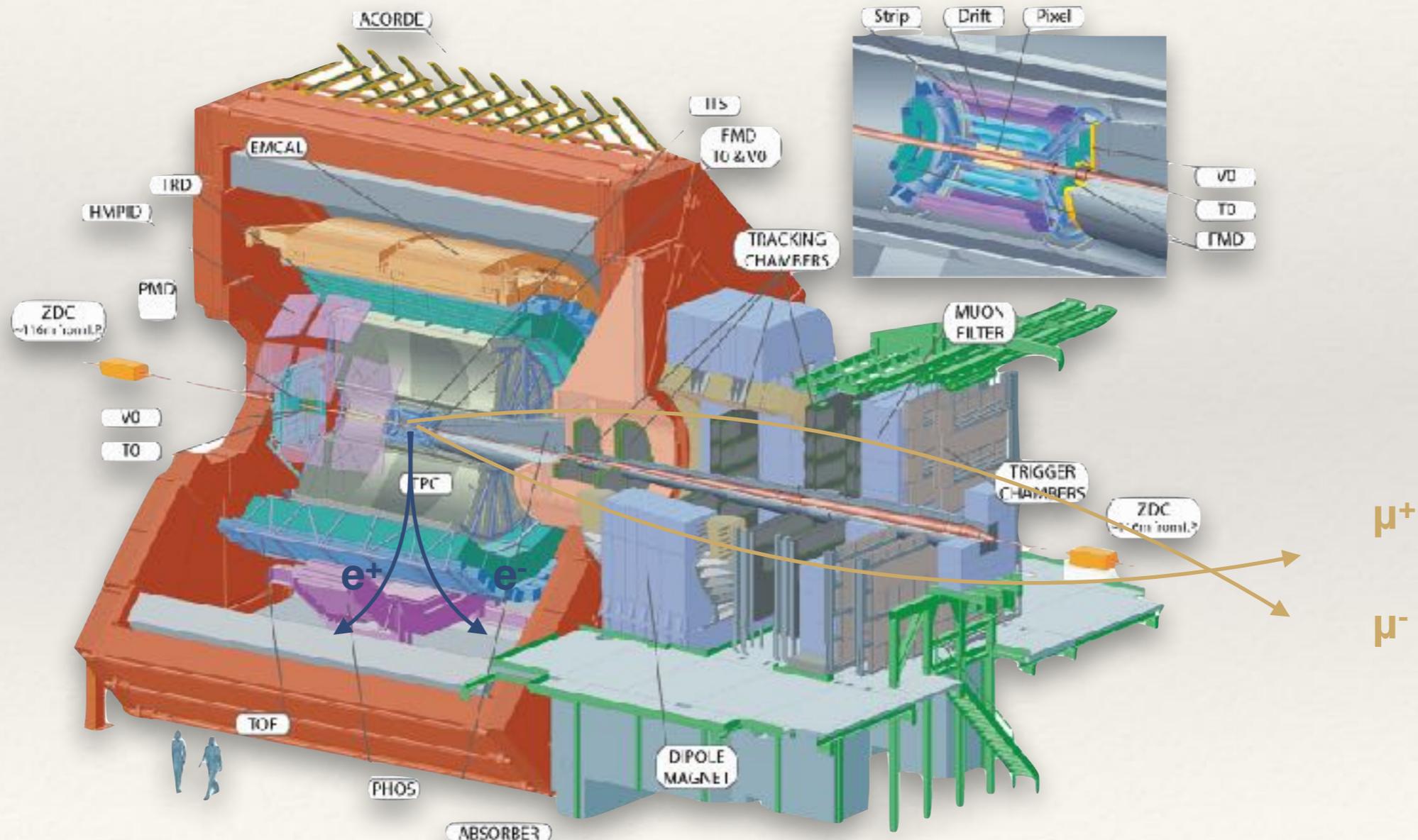
## Two decay channels studied in ALICE :

J/ψ → e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> :

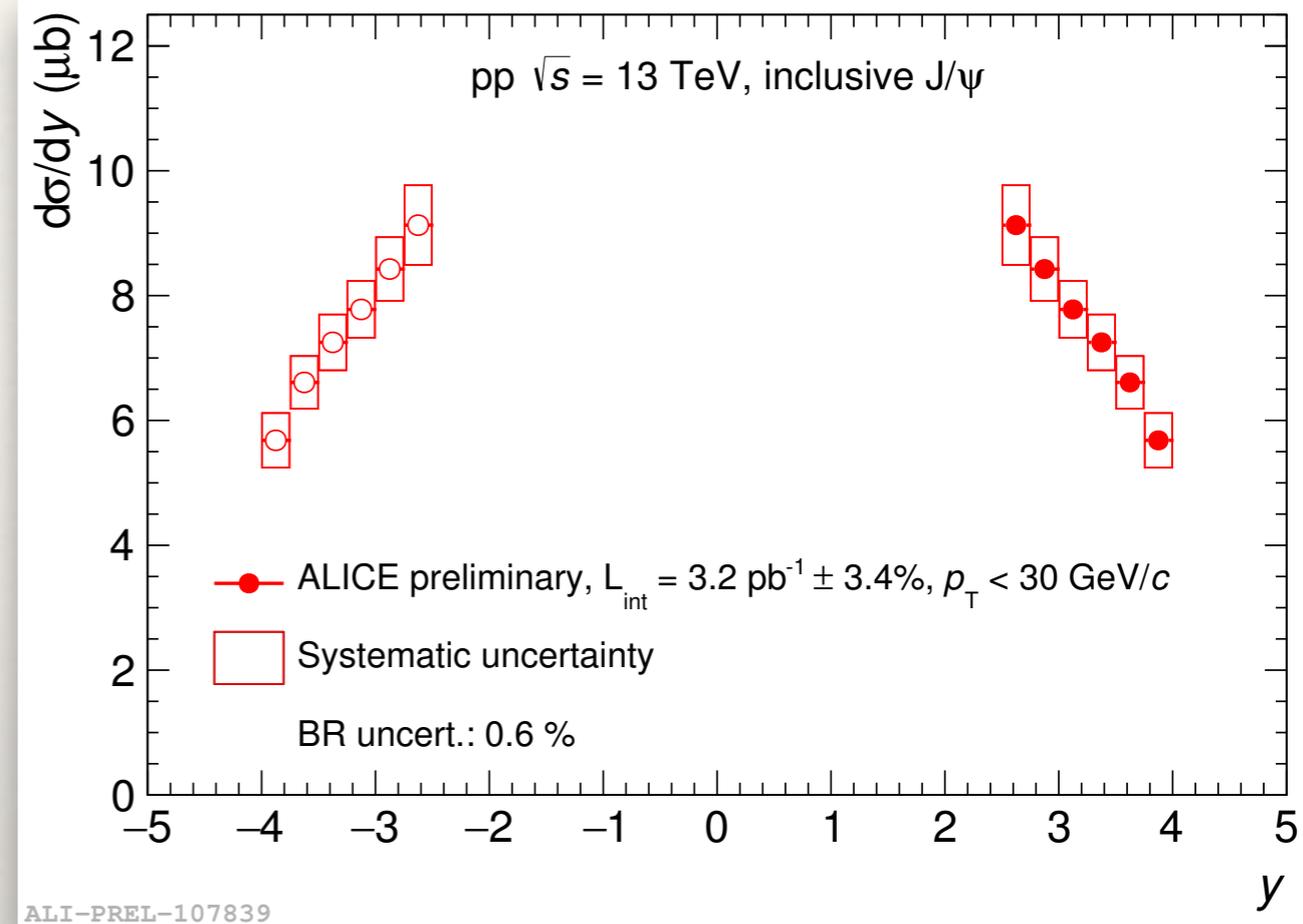
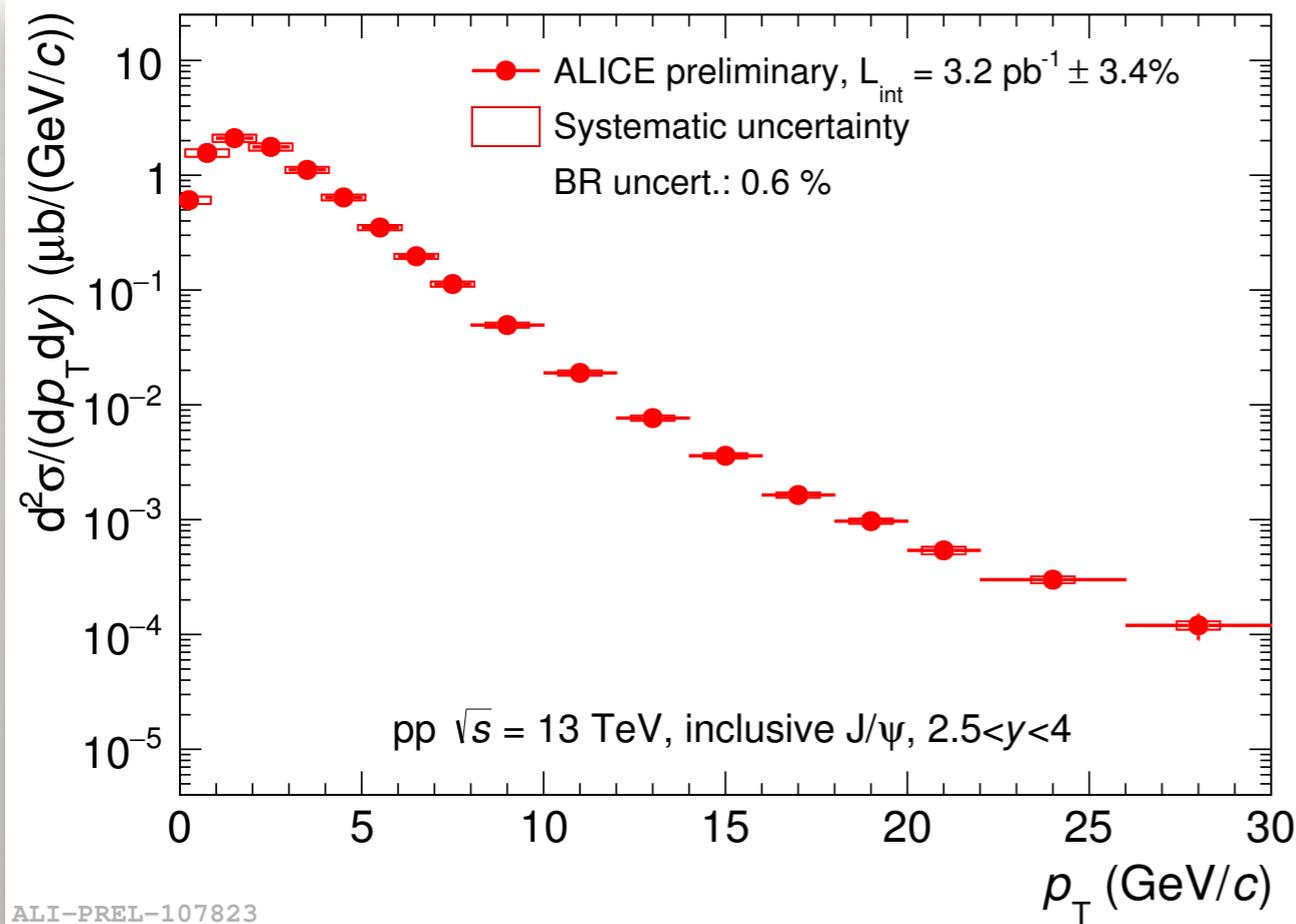
- |y| < 0.9
- down to p<sub>T</sub> = 0
- detectors involved : ITS, TPC, TOF

J/ψ → μ<sup>+</sup>μ<sup>-</sup> :

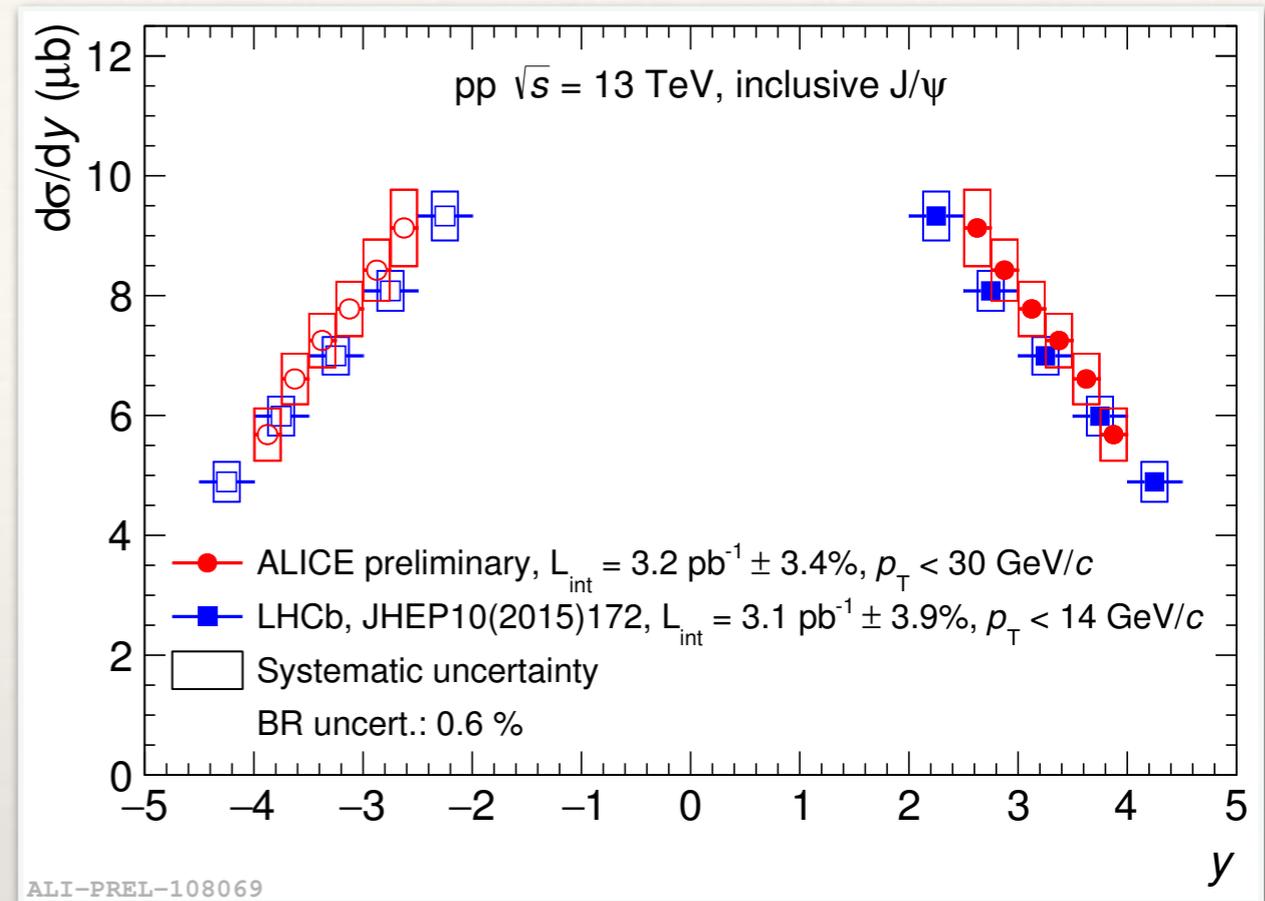
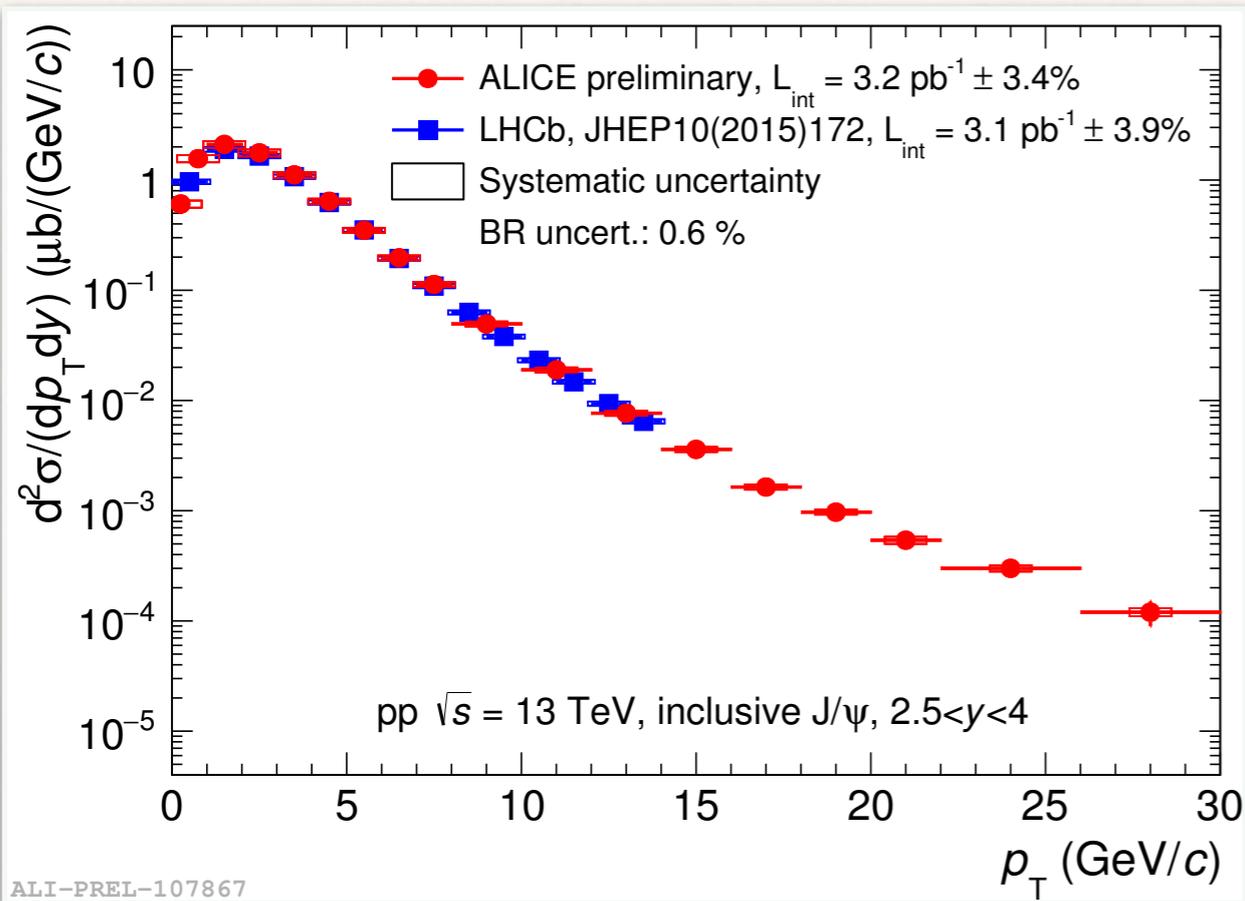
- 2.5 < y < 4
- down to p<sub>T</sub> = 0
- detectors involved : muon arm



# $J/\psi$ production in pp collisions measured by ALICE

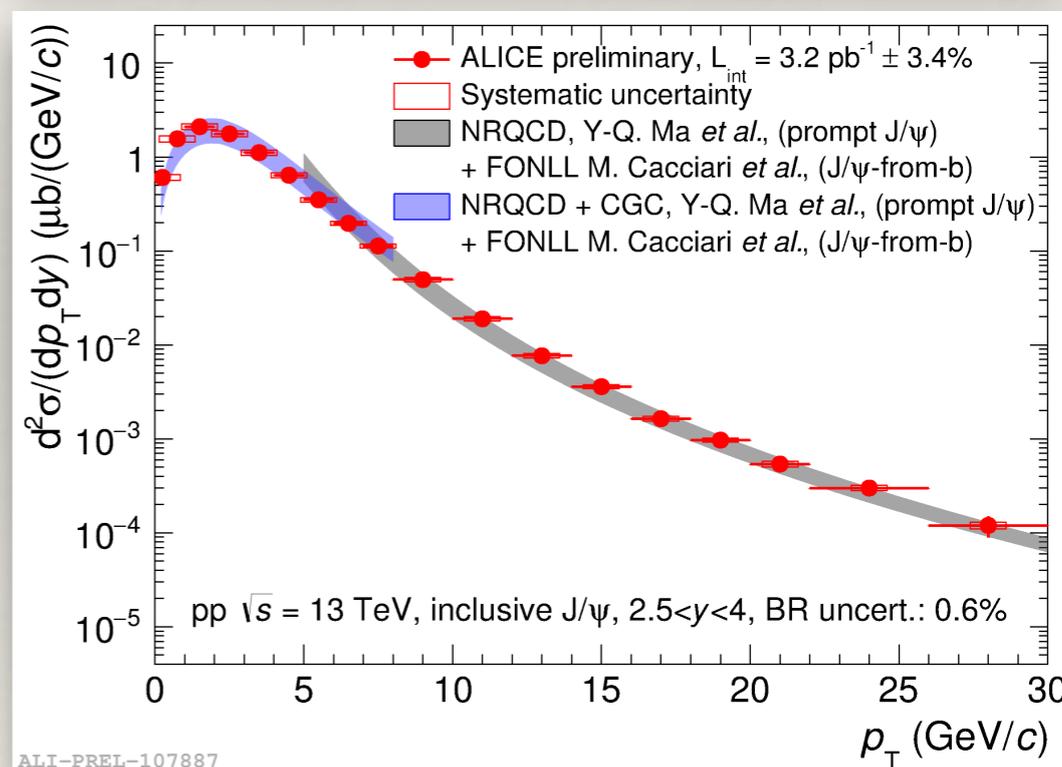
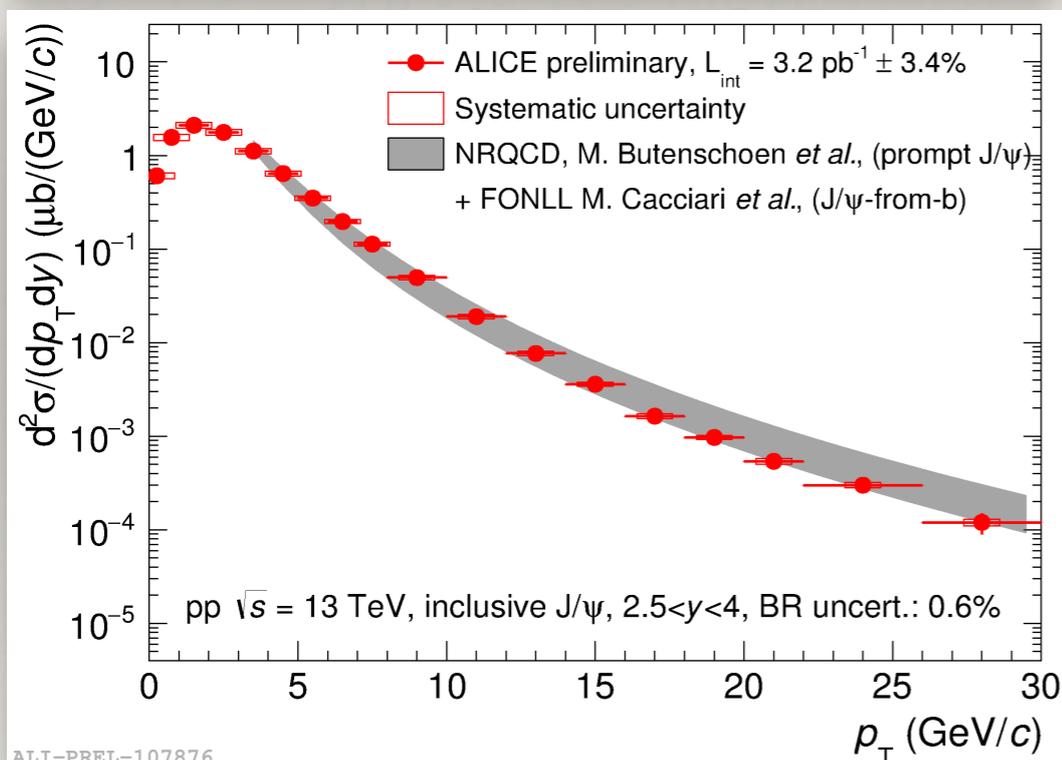
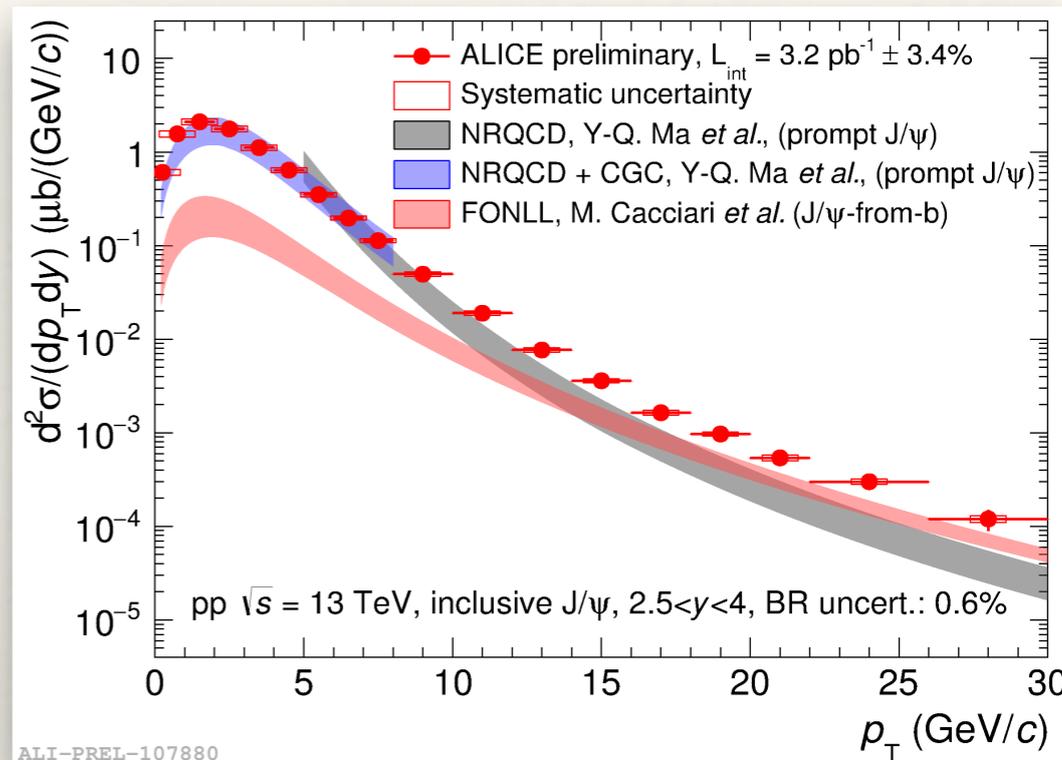
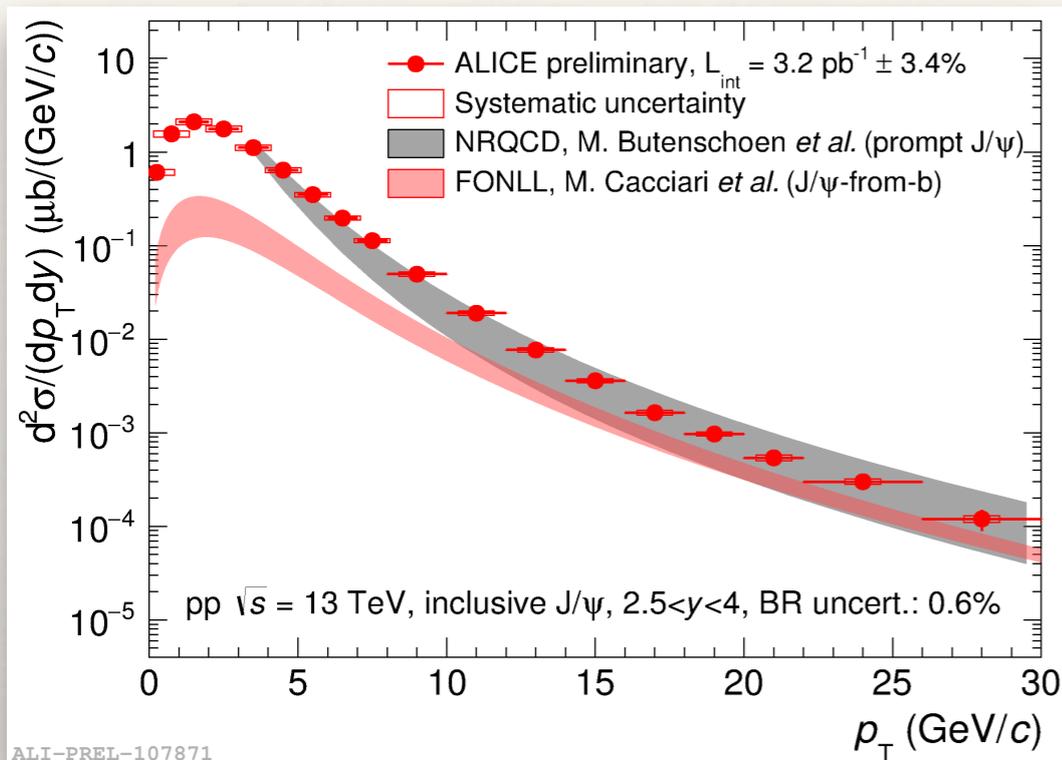


- ❖ Range extended to  $p_T = 30 \text{ GeV}/c$  for the J/ $\psi$
- ❖ 6 bins in  $y$  for  $2.5 < y < 4$

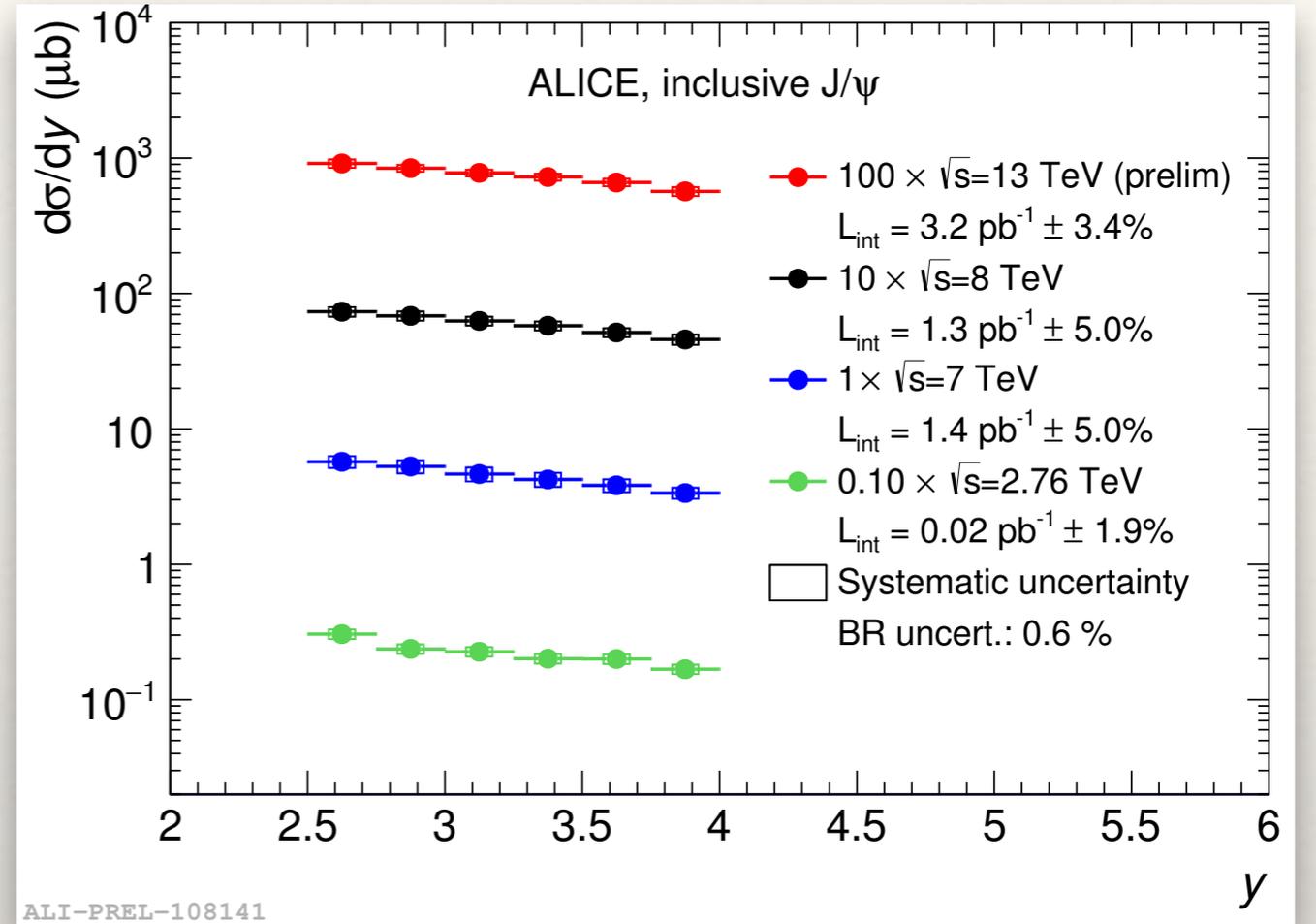
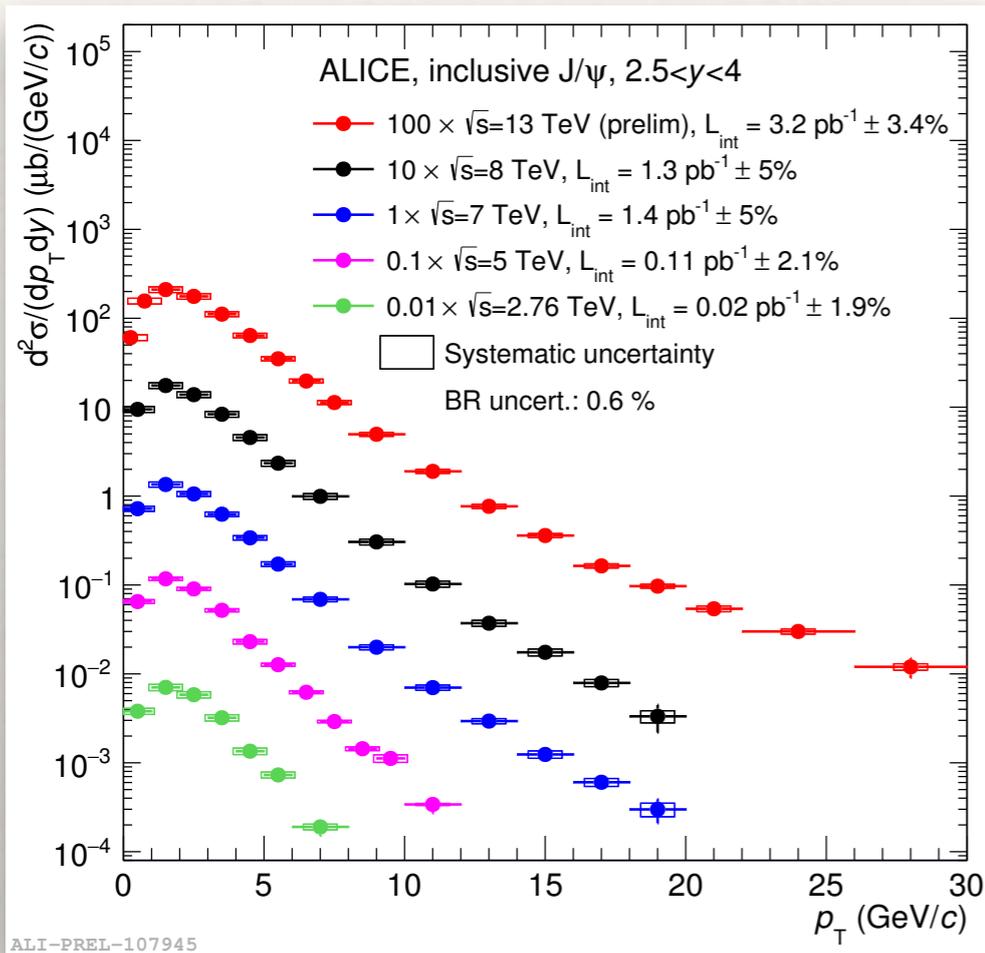


- ❖ Excellent agreement between the two experiments
- ❖ All points lie within 1 sigma (stat+syst) of each other

1) JHEP10 (2015) 172



NRQCD (left) Butenschoen and Kniehl, PRL 106 (2011) 022003  
 NRQCD (right) Ma, Wang and Chao, PRL 106 (2011) 042002  
 NRQCD+CGC Ma and Venugopalan, PRL 113 (2014) 192301  
 FONLL Cacciari et al., JHEP 1210 (2012) 137

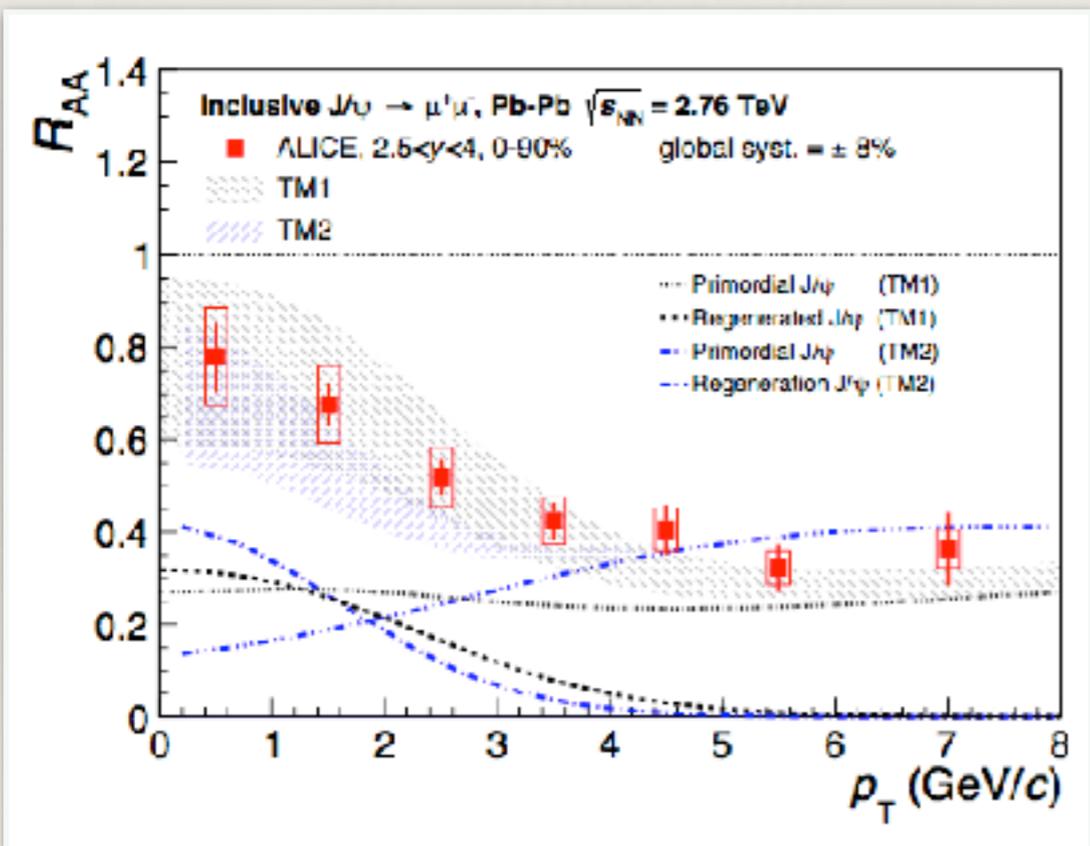
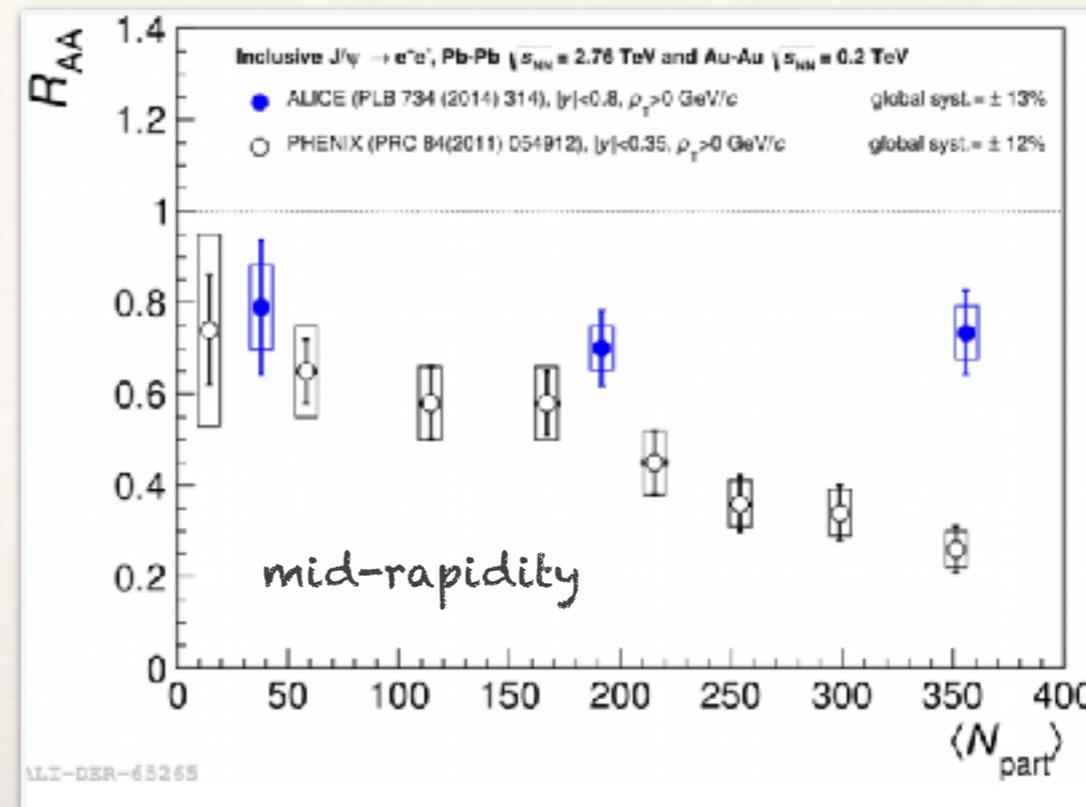
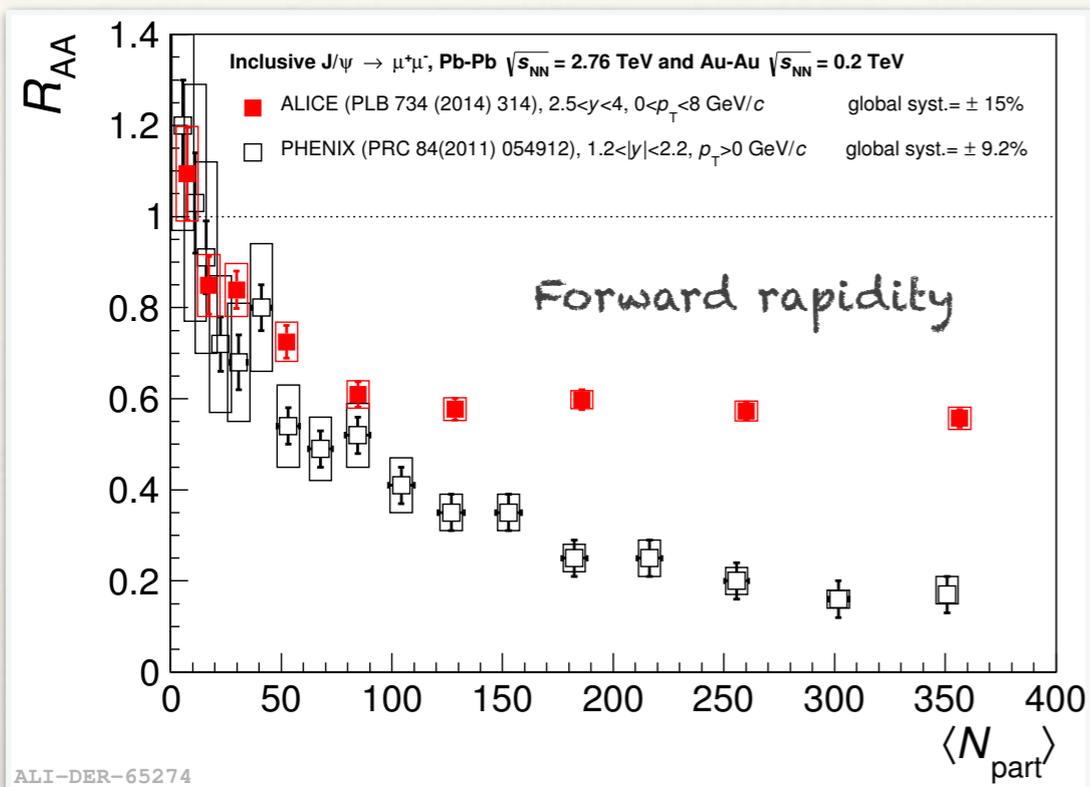


- ❖ Steady increase of the luminosity and  $p_T$  reach with increasing energy
- ❖ Change of slope at high  $p_T$  and  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$  -> onset of the non-prompt J/ψ contribution

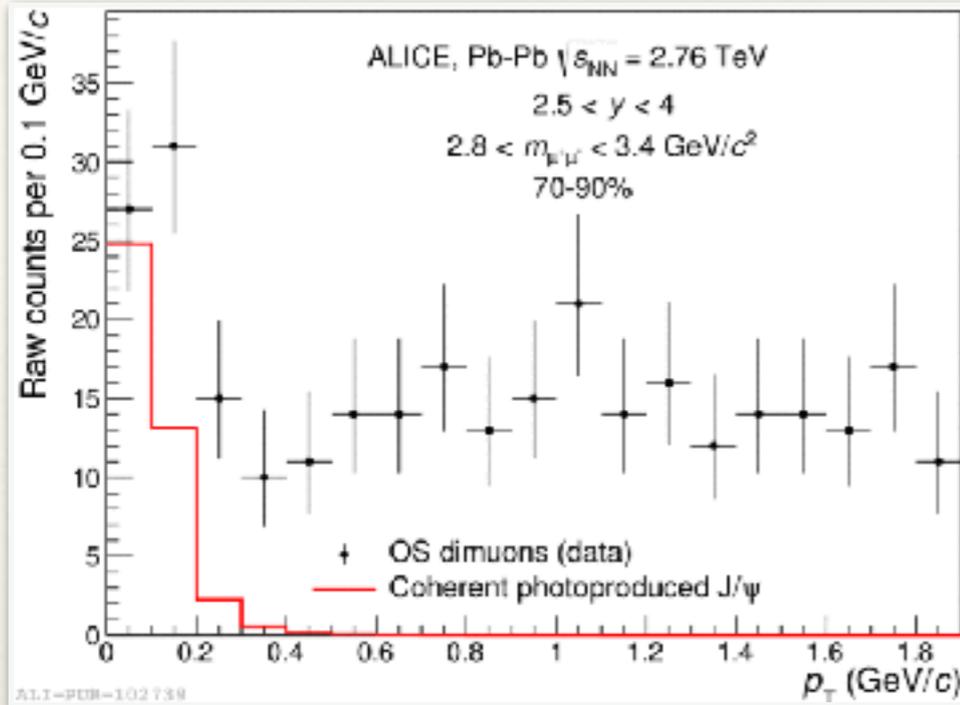
- ❖ No visible change in the  $y$  distribution.

$\sqrt{s} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$  PLB 718 (2012) 295  
 $\sqrt{s} = 5 \text{ TeV}$  ArXiv:1606.08197  
 $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$  EPJC 74 (2014) 2974  
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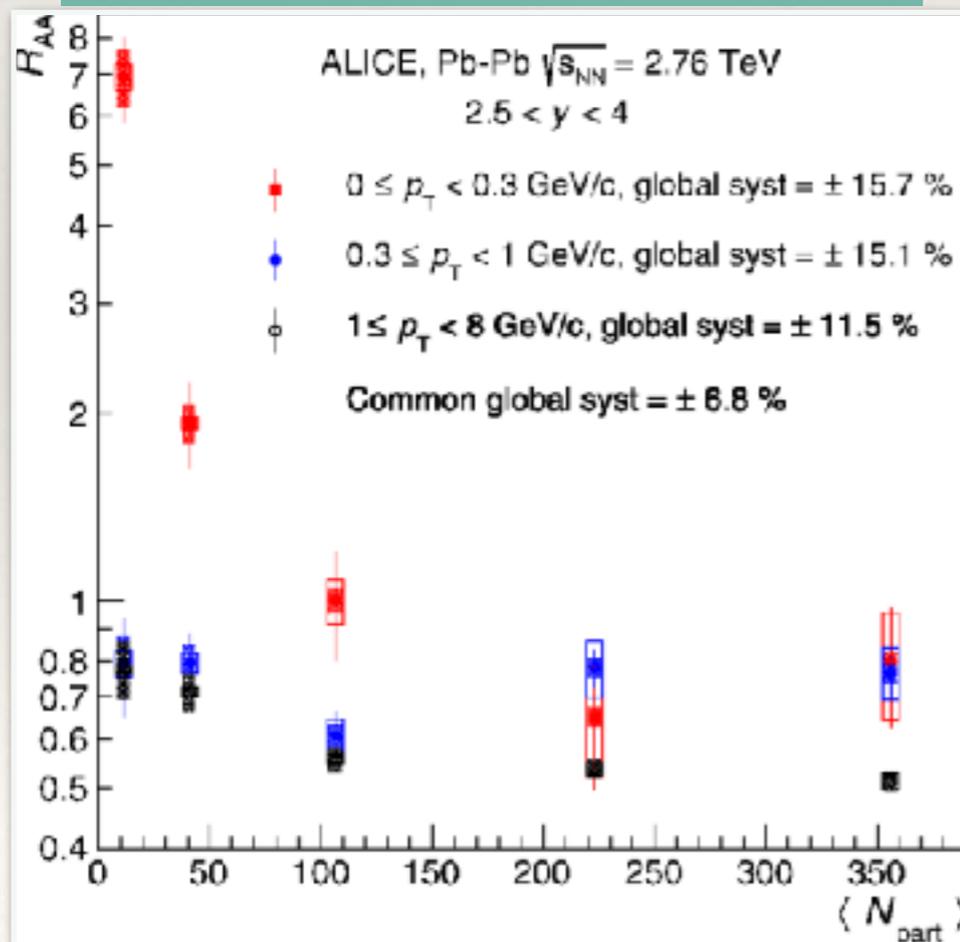
# J/ $\psi$ production in PbPb collisions measured by ALICE



- ❖ **Clear  $J/\psi$  suppression** both at ALICE and PHENIX (Au-Au at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV).
- ❖ **Weaker centrality dependence and smaller suppression for central events** in ALICE compared to PHENIX.
- ❖ **Less suppression at low w.r.t high  $p_T$**  for ALICE and less suppression compared to PHENIX.
- ❖ **Previous observations expected in regeneration scenario.**



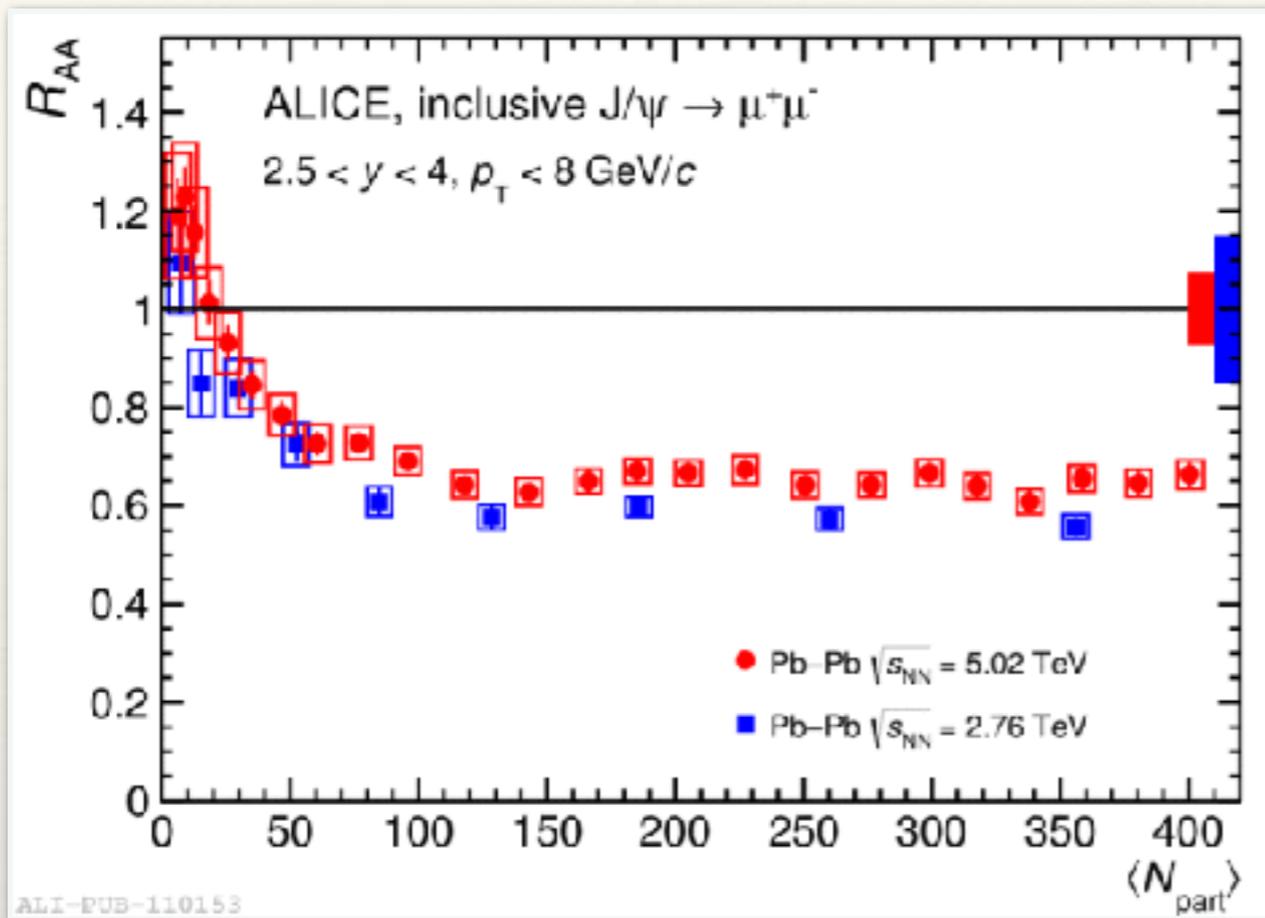
ALICE Coll. PRL116 (2016) 222301



- ❖ An excess of J/ψ was observed at very low  $p_T$  in the most peripheral collisions.
- ❖ Photoproduction mechanism for Pb-Pb collisions with  $b < 2R$  was proposed to explain this excess of J/ψ<sup>1,2</sup>.
- ❖ The cut at  $p_T > 0.3$  GeV/c is applied to remove  $\sim 75\%$  of this non-hadronic contribution.
- ❖  $R_{AA}$  smaller by 30% at maximum in peripheral bins when applying the previous cut.

1) STARLIGHT website (2013) . <http://starlight.hepforge.org/>.

2)M. Kusek-Gawenda and A. Szczurek, "Photoproduction of J/ψ mesons in peripheral and semi-central heavy ion collisions," arXiv:1509.03173 [nucl-th].



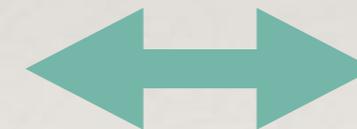
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$R_{AA}^{0-90\%} (0 < p_T < 8 \text{ GeV}/c) : 0.66 \pm 0.01 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.05 \text{ (syst.)}$   
 2011  $R_{AA}^{0-90\%} (0 < p_T < 8 \text{ GeV}/c) : 0.58 \pm 0.01 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.09 \text{ (syst.)}$

- ❖ **Finer bins in centrality.**
- ❖ Better control of the syst. uncert.
- ❖ **Clear  $J/\psi$  suppression** with no centrality dependence in the most central collisions.
- ❖ Effect of the non-prompt component on the inclusive  $R_{AA}$ :

$R_{AA(\text{non-prompt})} = 0$

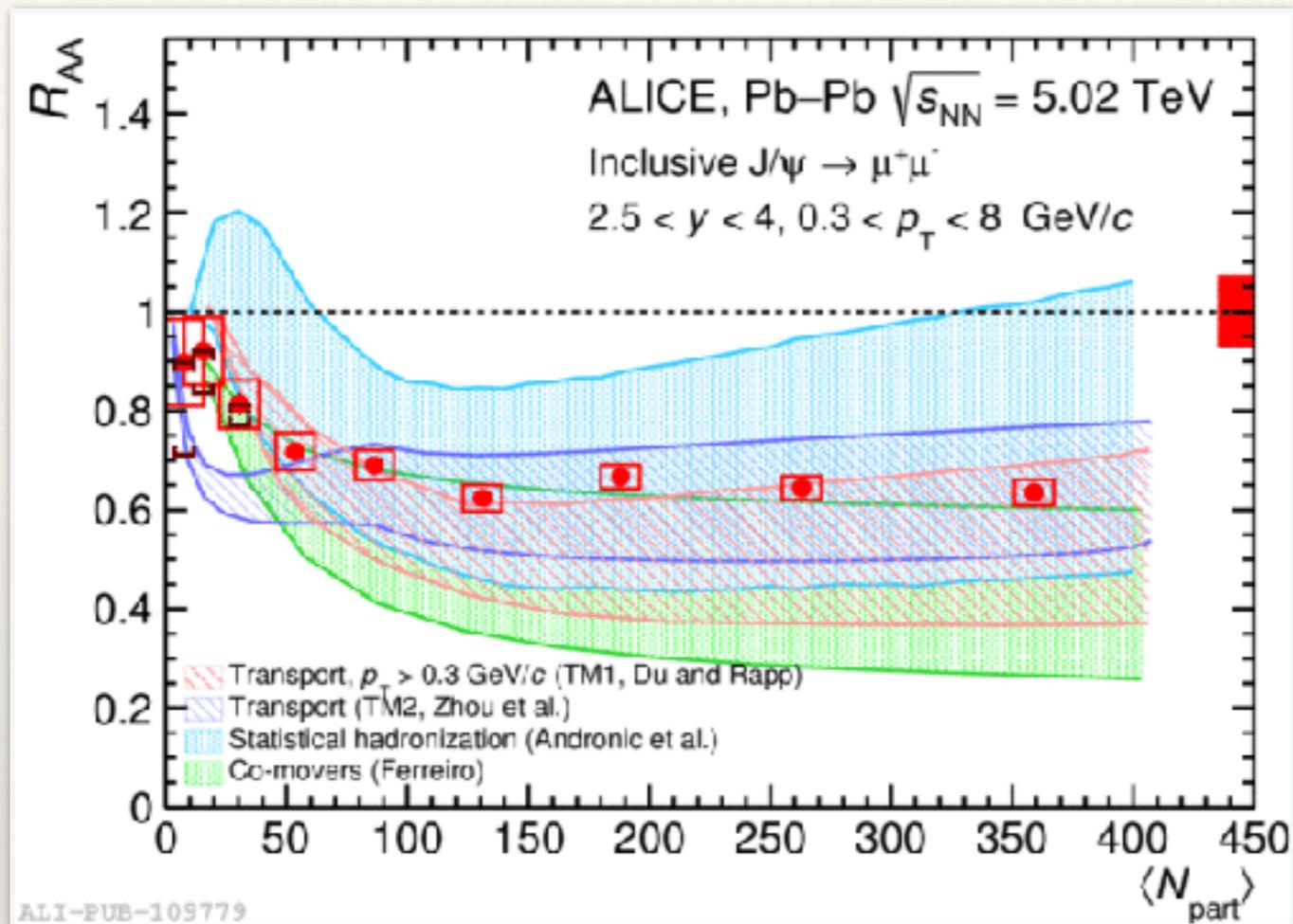
- All non-prompt  $J/\psi$  are suppressed
- $R_{AA(\text{prompt})}$  10% higher



$R_{AA(\text{non-prompt})} = 1$

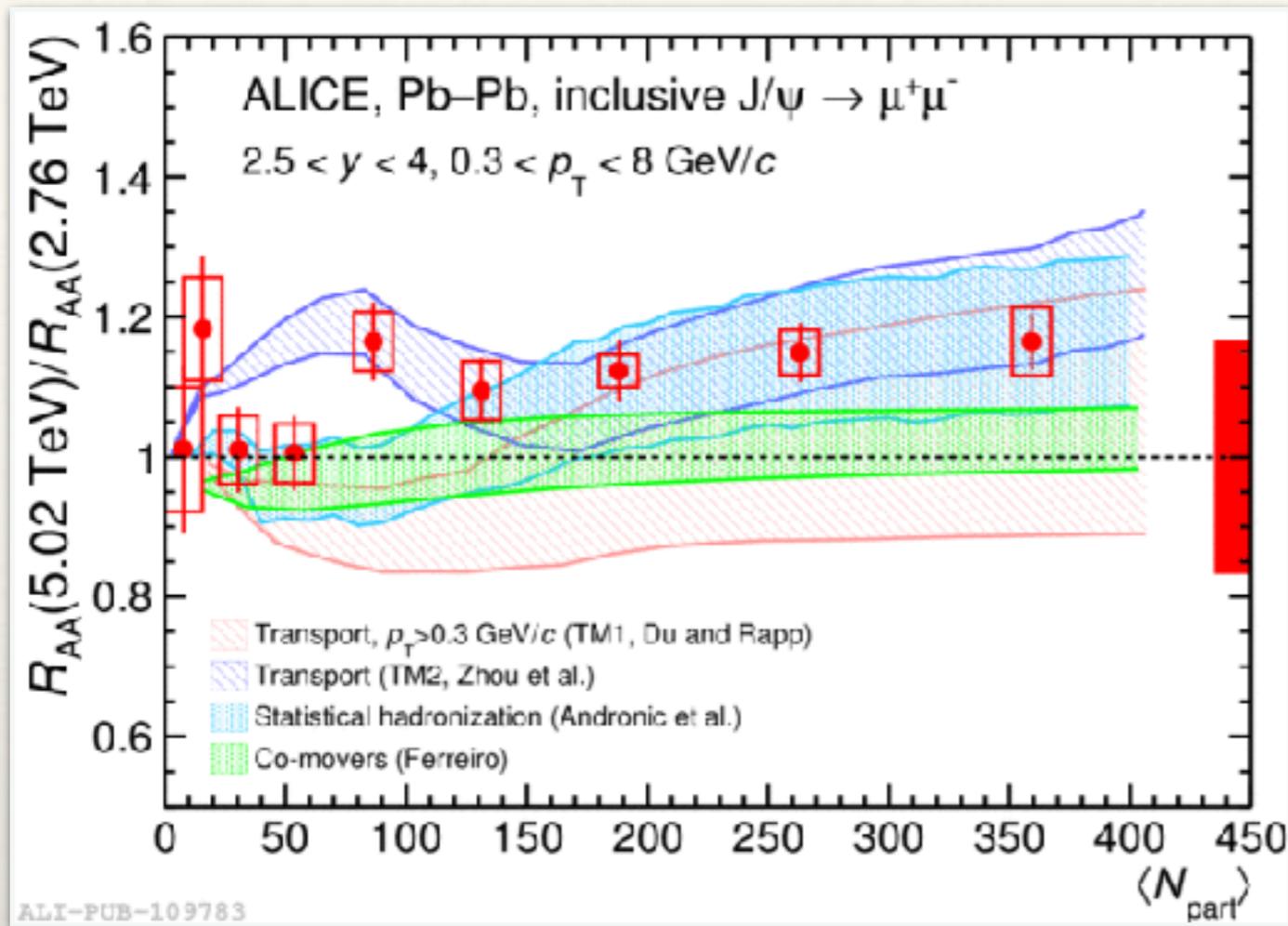
- All non-prompt  $J/\psi$  survives
- $R_{AA(\text{prompt})}$  5% to 1% lower

Results between  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  and 5.02 TeV data are compatible within uncertainties



TM1: Nucl. Phys. A859 (2011) 114–125  
 TM2: Phys. Rev. C89 no. 5, 459 (2014) 054911  
 Stat. hadronization: NPA 904-905 (2013) 535c  
 Co-movers: Phys. Lett. B731 (2014) 57–63

- ❖ The  $p_T > 0.3$  GeV/c cut removes  $\sim 80\%$  of the photoproduced  $J/\psi$ .
- ❖ Large uncertainties on the theoretical calculations due mainly to the choice of  $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$ .
- ❖ **All models include a large amount of regeneration**
- ❖ A better agreement is found for some transport (Du and Rapp) and co-movers (Ferreiro) models when we consider their upper limit.
- ❖ In transport models this corresponds to **the absence of nuclear shadowing** -> **extreme assumption.**

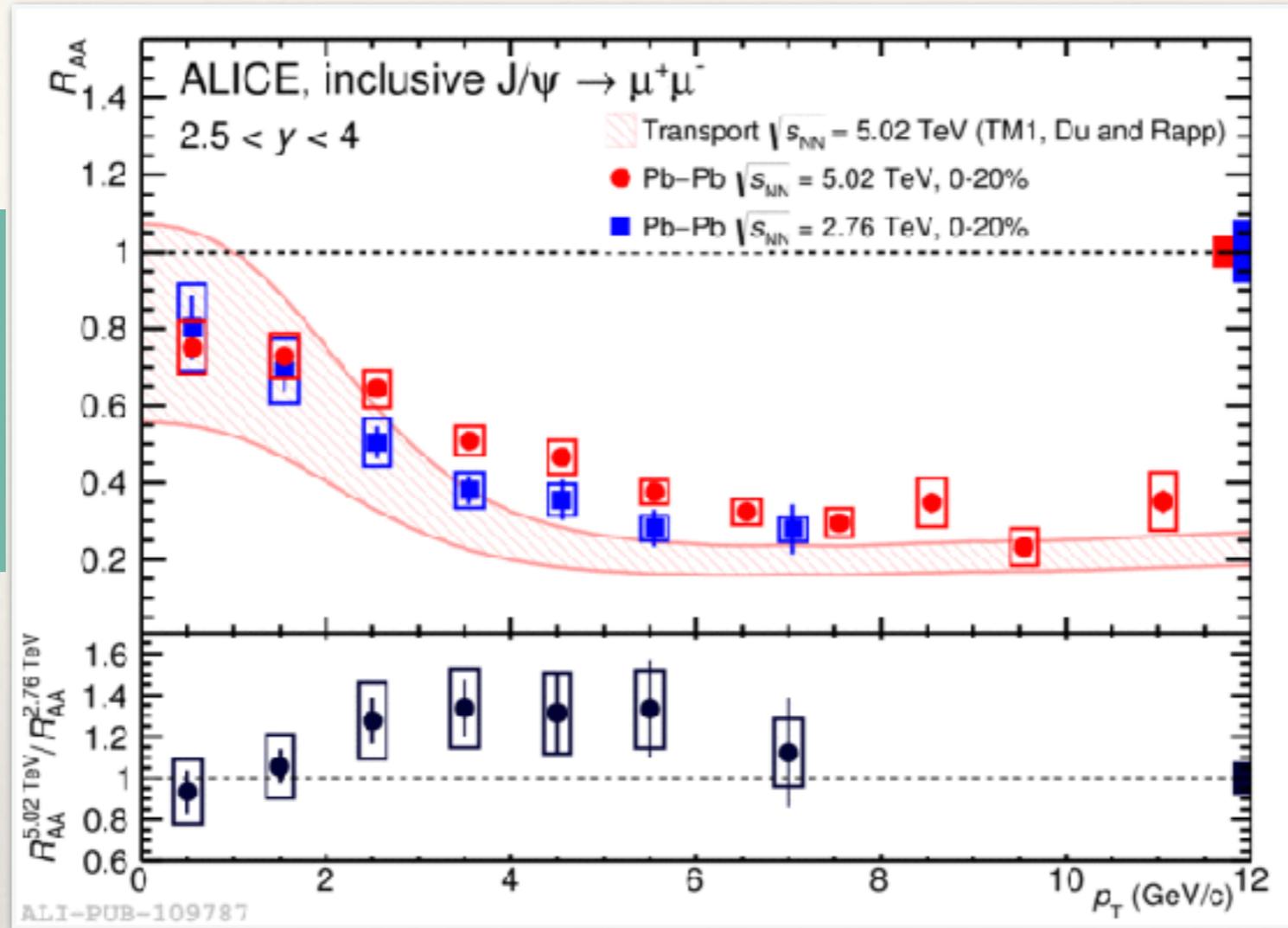


- ❖  $R_{AA}$  ratio allows some uncertainties on the models to cancel out
- ❖  $T_{AA}$  uncert. also cancels out for the experimental results
- ❖ Error bands on models correspond to a 5% variation of  $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$

- ❖ 2% variation of the ratio when considering the non-prompt contribution
- ❖ Ratio value for the most central events :  $1.17 \pm 0.04$  (stat.)  $\pm 0.20$  (syst.)

Models are compatible with data within uncertainties showing no clear centrality dependance of the ratio.

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- ❖ Less suppression at low  $p_T$  w.r.t high  $p_T$ .
- ❖ Assuming **beauty fully suppressed** :
  - ❖  $R_{AA(\text{prompt})}$  expected to be **7% larger** for  $p_T < 1$  GeV/c.
  - ❖  $R_{AA(\text{prompt})}$  expected to be **30% larger** for  $10 < p_T < 12$  GeV/c.
- ❖ Assuming **beauty binary scaling** :
  - ❖  $R_{AA(\text{prompt})}$  expected to be **2% smaller** for  $p_T < 1$  GeV/c.
  - ❖  $R_{AA(\text{prompt})}$  expected to be **55% smaller** for  $10 < p_T < 12$  GeV/c.

❖ **The J/ψ cross section in pp collisions :**

- ❖ New measurements at  $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$  and 13 TeV.
- ❖ Good agreement between ALICE and LHCb data.
- ❖ Change of slope at high  $p_T$  and  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV.

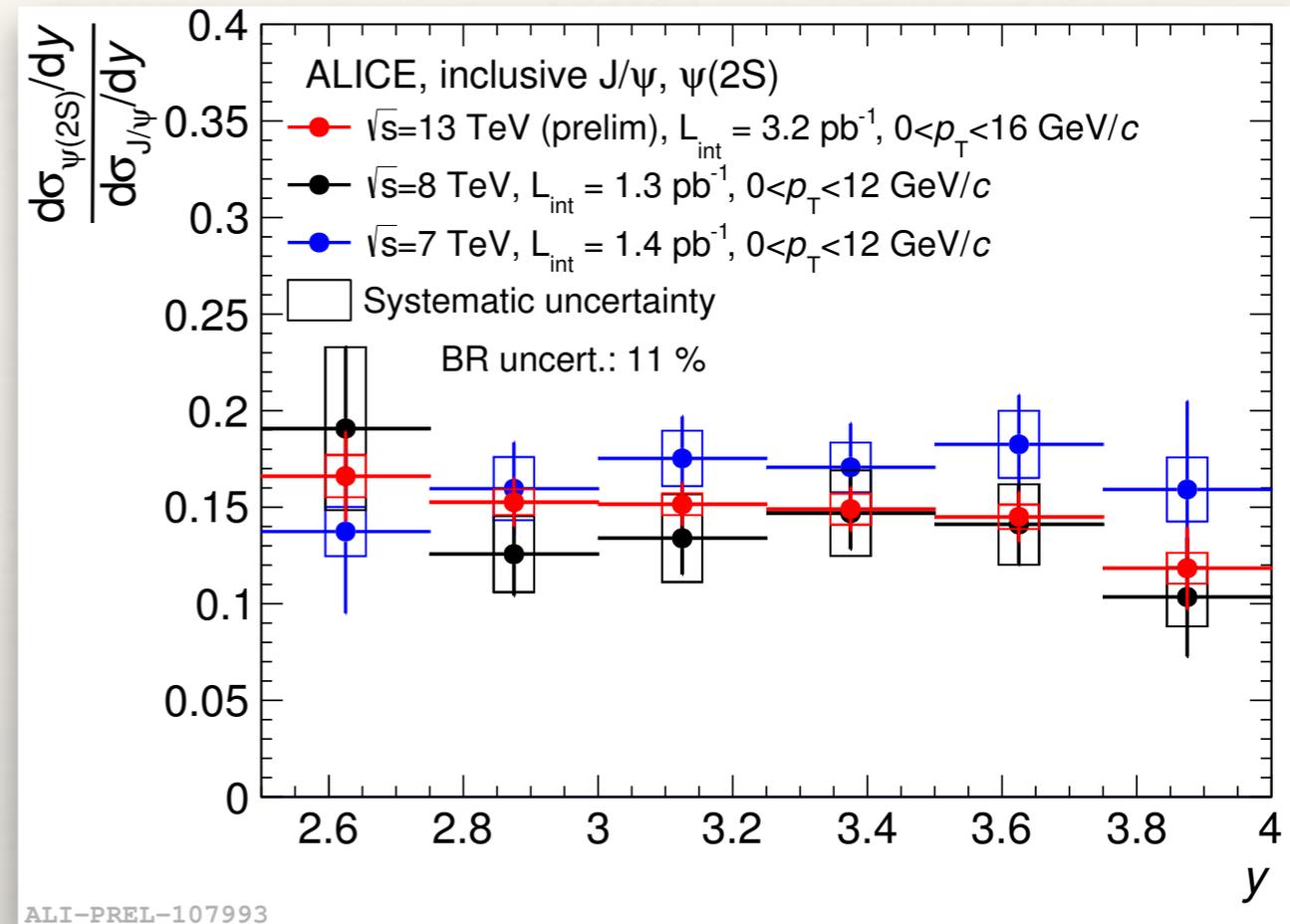
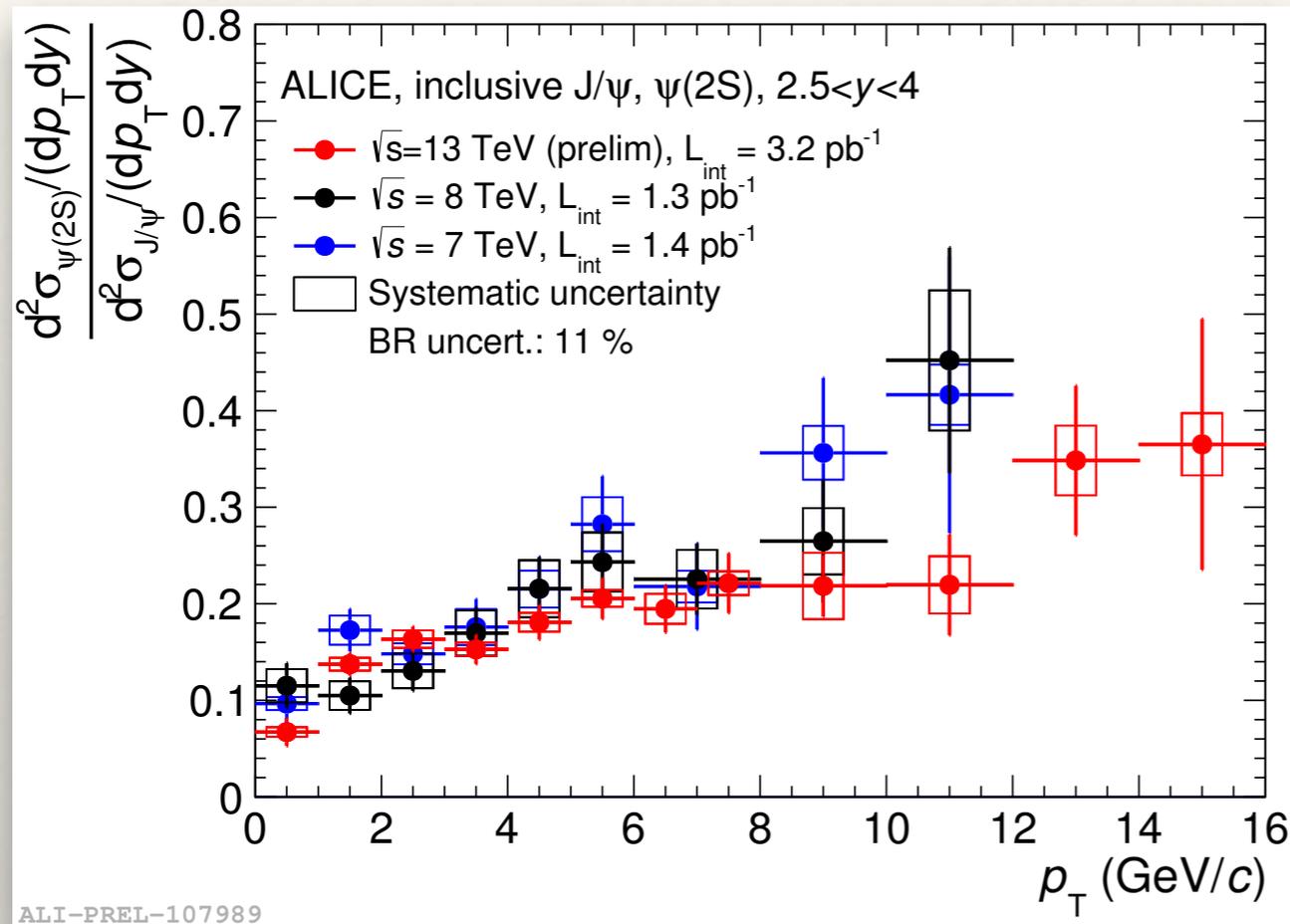
❖ **Inclusive J/ψ nuclear modification factor in PbPb collisions :**

- ❖ New measurements at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV at forward rapidity down to  $p_T = 0$  GeV/c.
- ❖ Study of the centrality and  $p_T$  dependence of  $R_{AA}$  shows :
  - ❖ an increase of the J/ψ suppression with centrality up to  $N_{part} \sim 100$  followed by a saturation as for previous results in PbPb collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  TeV.
  - ❖ less suppression at low  $p_T$  with respect to high  $p_T$ .
- ❖ Comparison between  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$  and 5.02 TeV results through  $R_{AA}$  ratio shows :
  - ❖ Results are compatible within uncertainties in the full centrality range.
- ❖ **Data and theoretical models are compatible within uncertainties and support a picture of competing J/ψ suppression and regeneration in the QGP.**

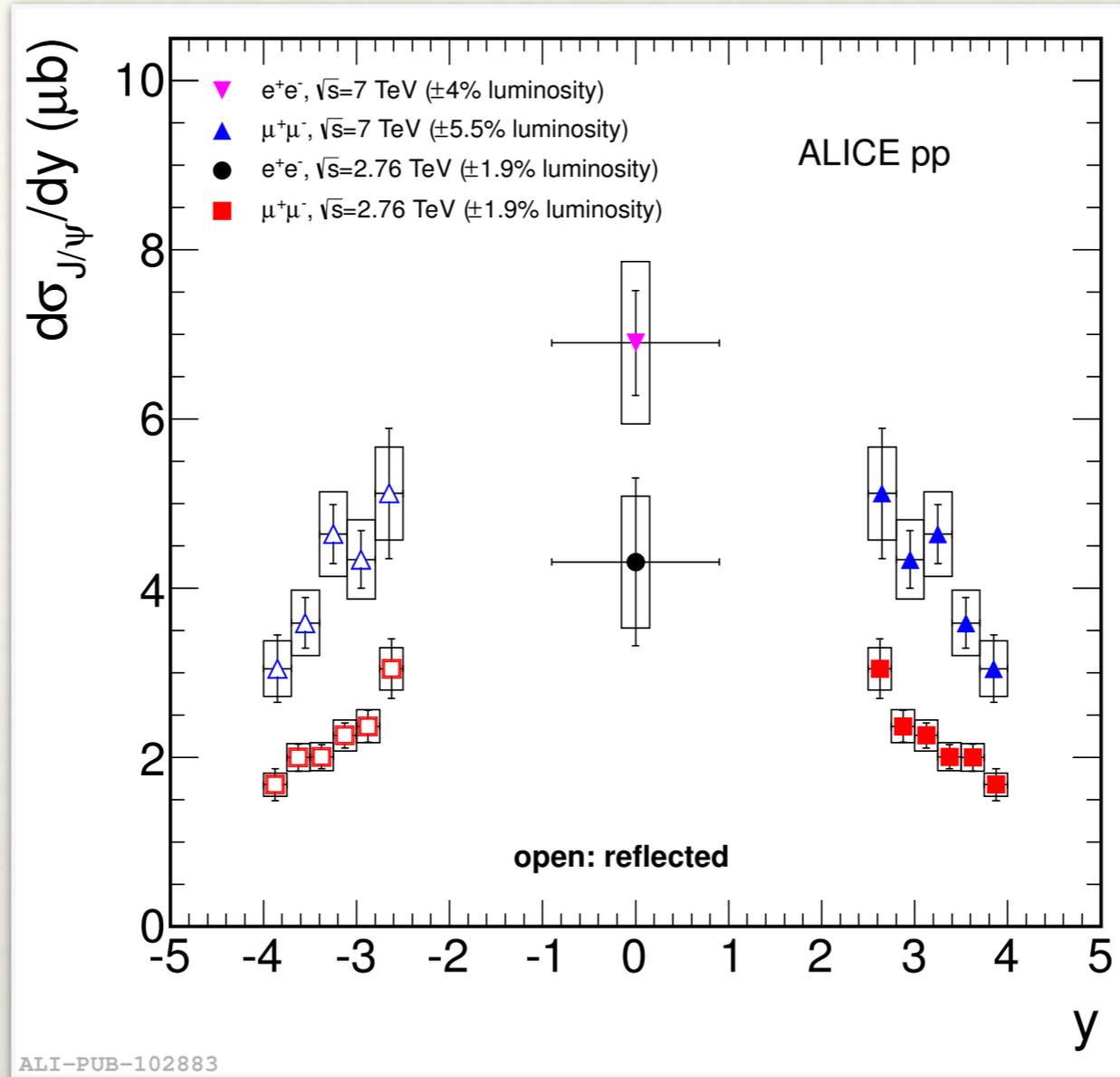
❖ **Outlooks :**

- ❖ Multi-differential study ongoing for inclusive J/ψ nuclear modification factor in PbPb collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV
- ❖ Study of the mid-rapidity  $R_{AA}$  ongoing

# Back-up



- ❖ No visible  $\sqrt{s}$  dependance of the  $p_T$  differential  $\psi(2s)$ -to- $J/\psi$  ratio
- ❖ No clear trend either vs rapidity



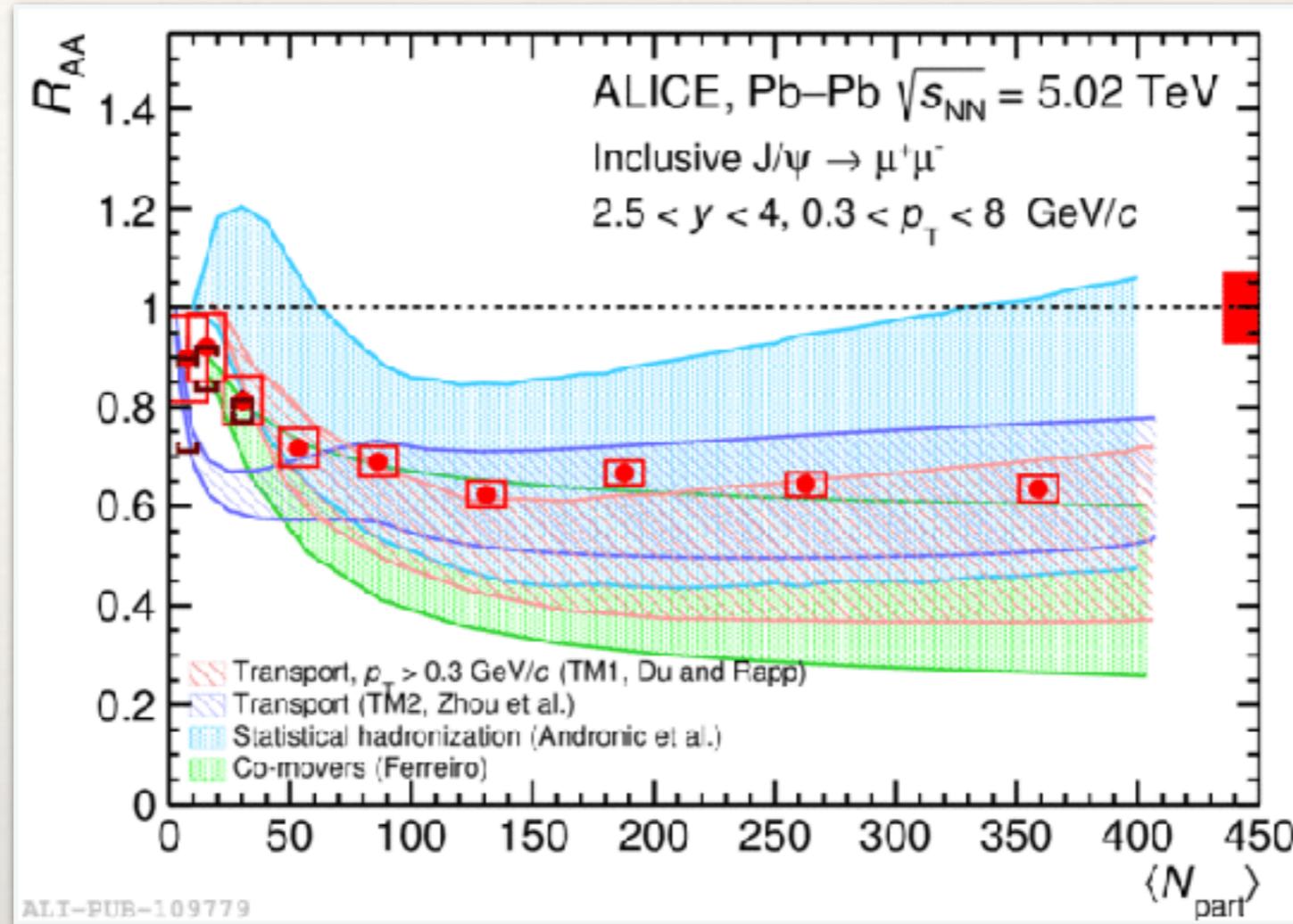
❖ Good agreement between the results.

Source	0-90% $p_T < 12 \text{ GeV}/c$	$p_T$ (0-20%)	centrality
Signal Extraction	1,8%	1.2-3.1 %	1.6-2.8 %
MC input	2,0%	2,0%	2%
Tracking eff.	3,0%	3,0%	3%
Trigger eff.	3,6%	1.5-4.8	3,6%
Matching Eff.	1%	1%	1%
$F_{\text{Norm}}$	0,5%	0,5%	0,5%
$\langle T_{AA} \rangle$	3,2%	3,2%	3,1-7,6 %
Centrality limits	0%	0,1%	0-6,6 %
$\sigma^{pp}_{J/\psi}$ (data)	5,0%	3-10% + 2.1%	4,9%

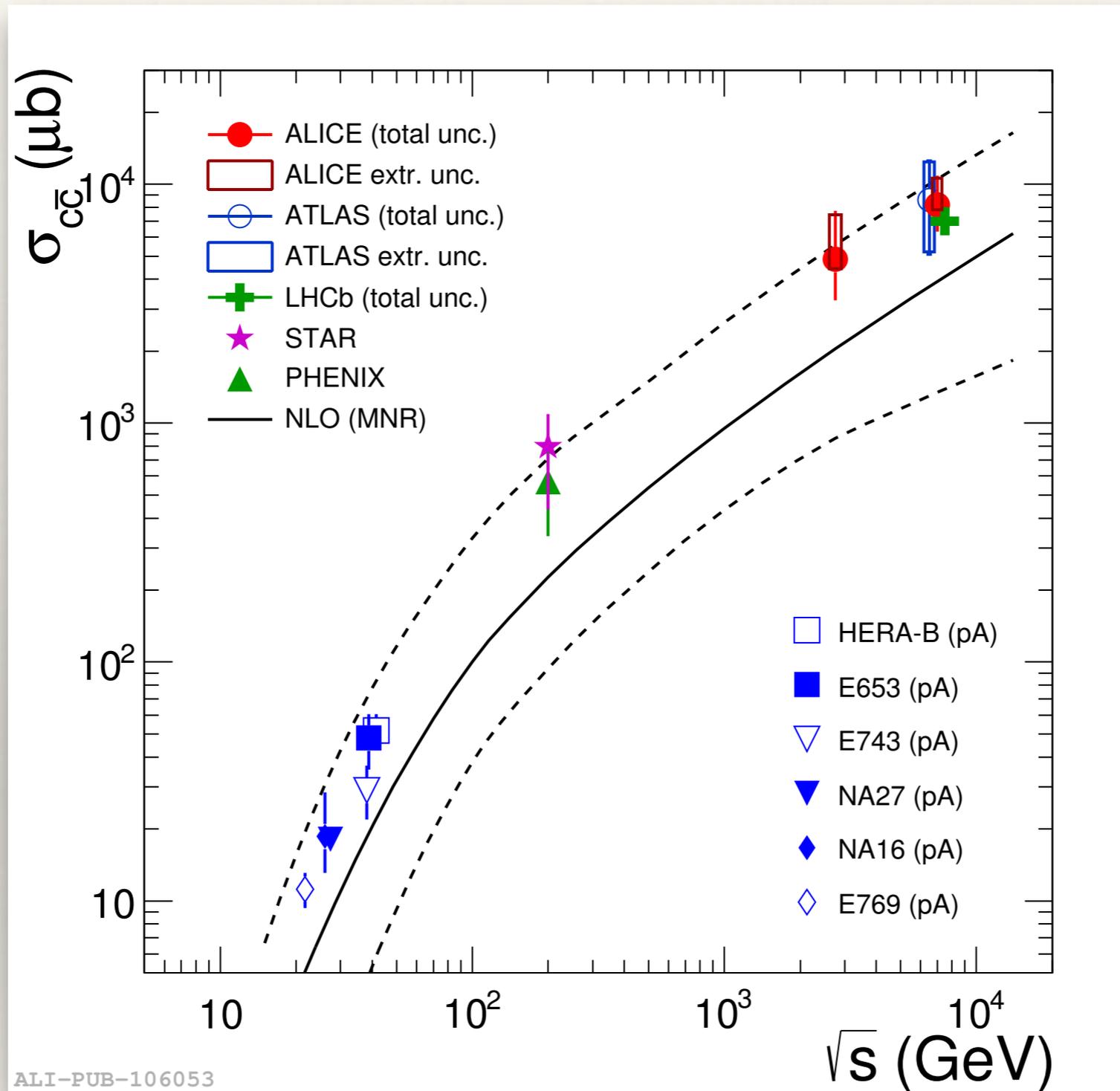
Uncorrelated uncertainties  
Correlated uncertainties

Source	$0 < p_T < 12 \text{ GeV}/c$	$p_T$
Signal Extraction	3%	1,5-9,3 %
MC input	2,0%	0,7-1,5 %
Tracking eff.	1,0%	1,0%
Trigger eff.	1,8%	1,5-1,8 %
Matching Eff.	1%	1%
Luminosity	2,1%	2,1%

Uncorrelated uncertainties  
**Correlated uncertainties**



model	$\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$ (mb)	N-N $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$ ( $\mu$ b)	comover $\sigma_{J/\psi}$	Shadowing
Transport	0.57	3.14	-	EPS09
Transport	0.82	3.5	-	EPS09
Stat.	0.45	-	-	EPS09
Comovers	[0.45,0.7]	3.53	0.65	Glauber-Gribov theory



arXiv:1605.07569 [nucl-ex]

