

Coherent production in UPC at the LHC

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GDR/QCD workshop on coherence/incoherence in
diffractive collisions at DIS and at hadron colliders

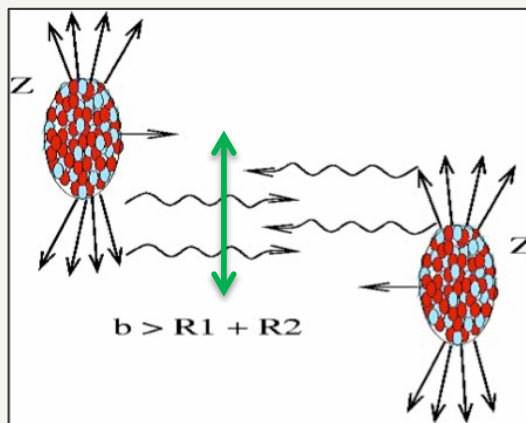
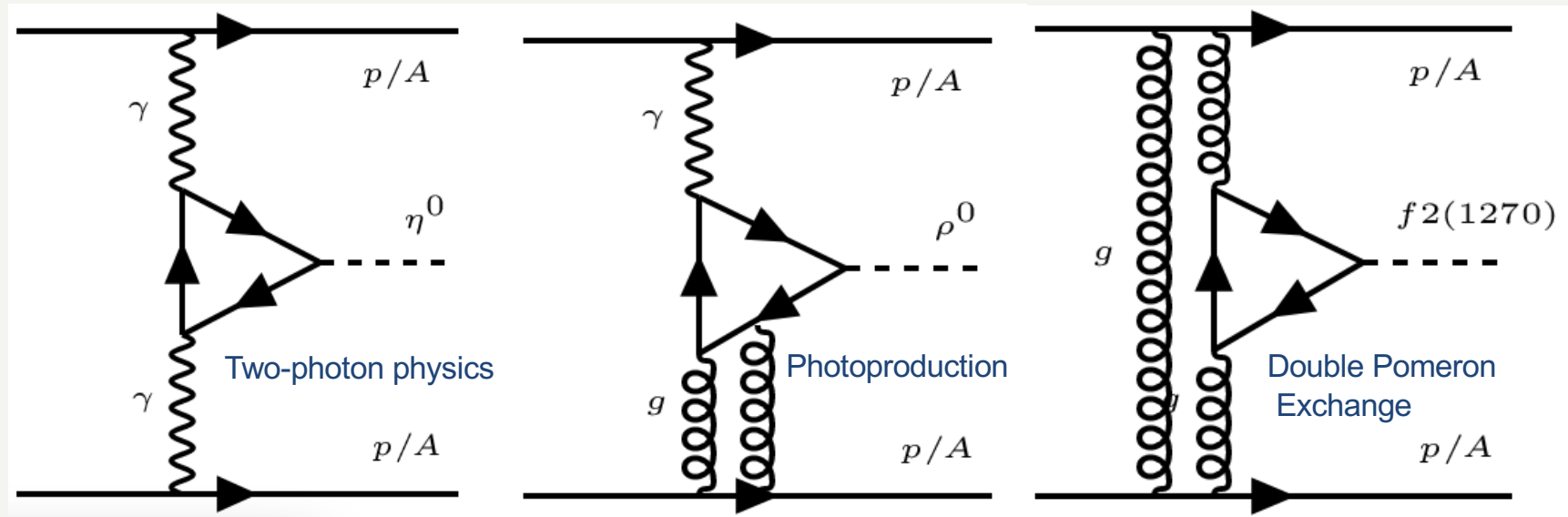
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Overview

- UPC at LHC
- The advantages of colliding pp, pPb, PbPb
- and pA in fixed target mode
- How we distinguish coherent / incoherent
- What has been measured.
- What we should measure.
- Summary

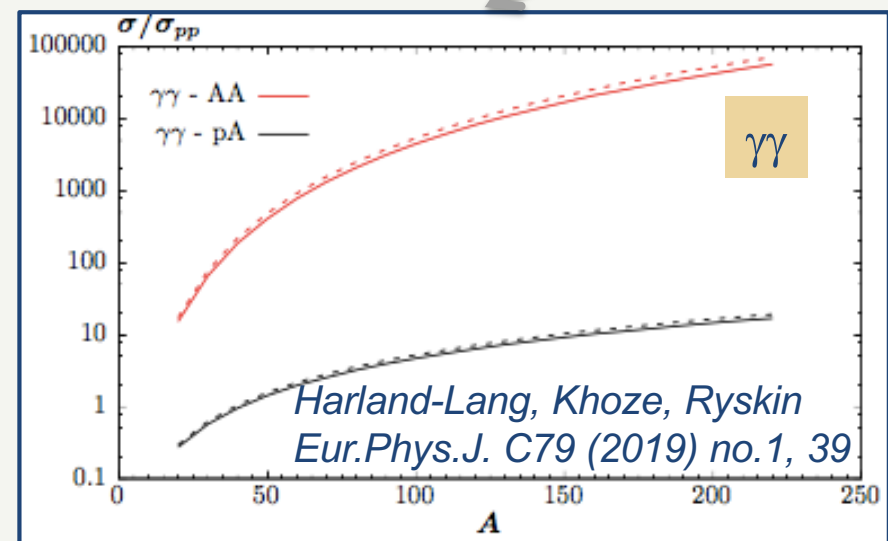
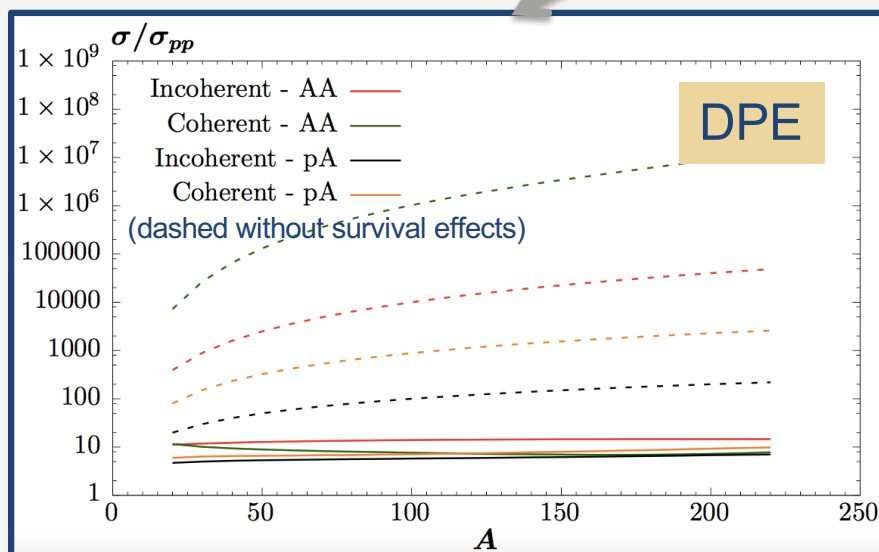
Colourless propagators



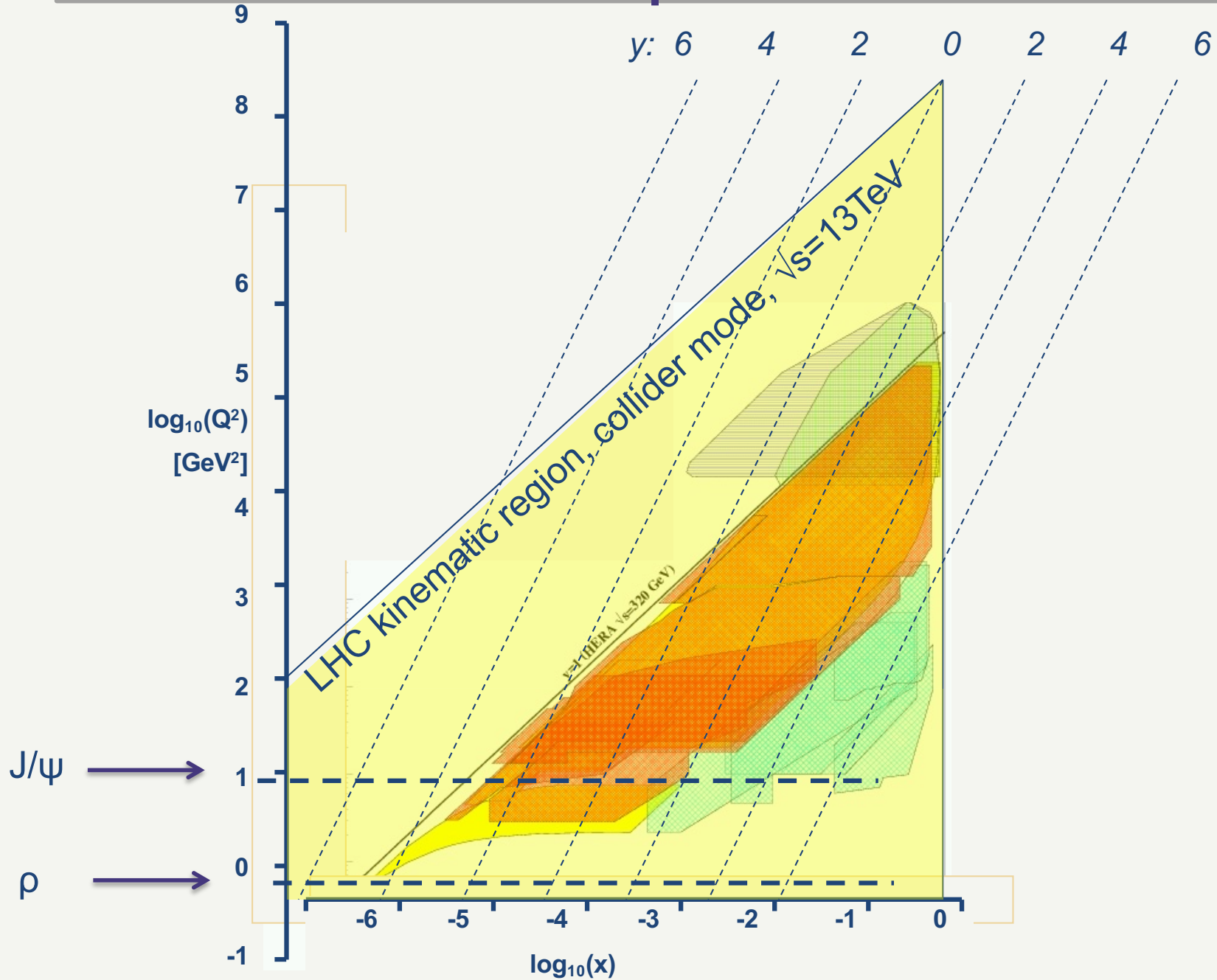
Generally, to ensure no (colourful) QCD interaction, $d > R_1 + R_2$ (1.5 - 6 fm).

Complementarity of collisions

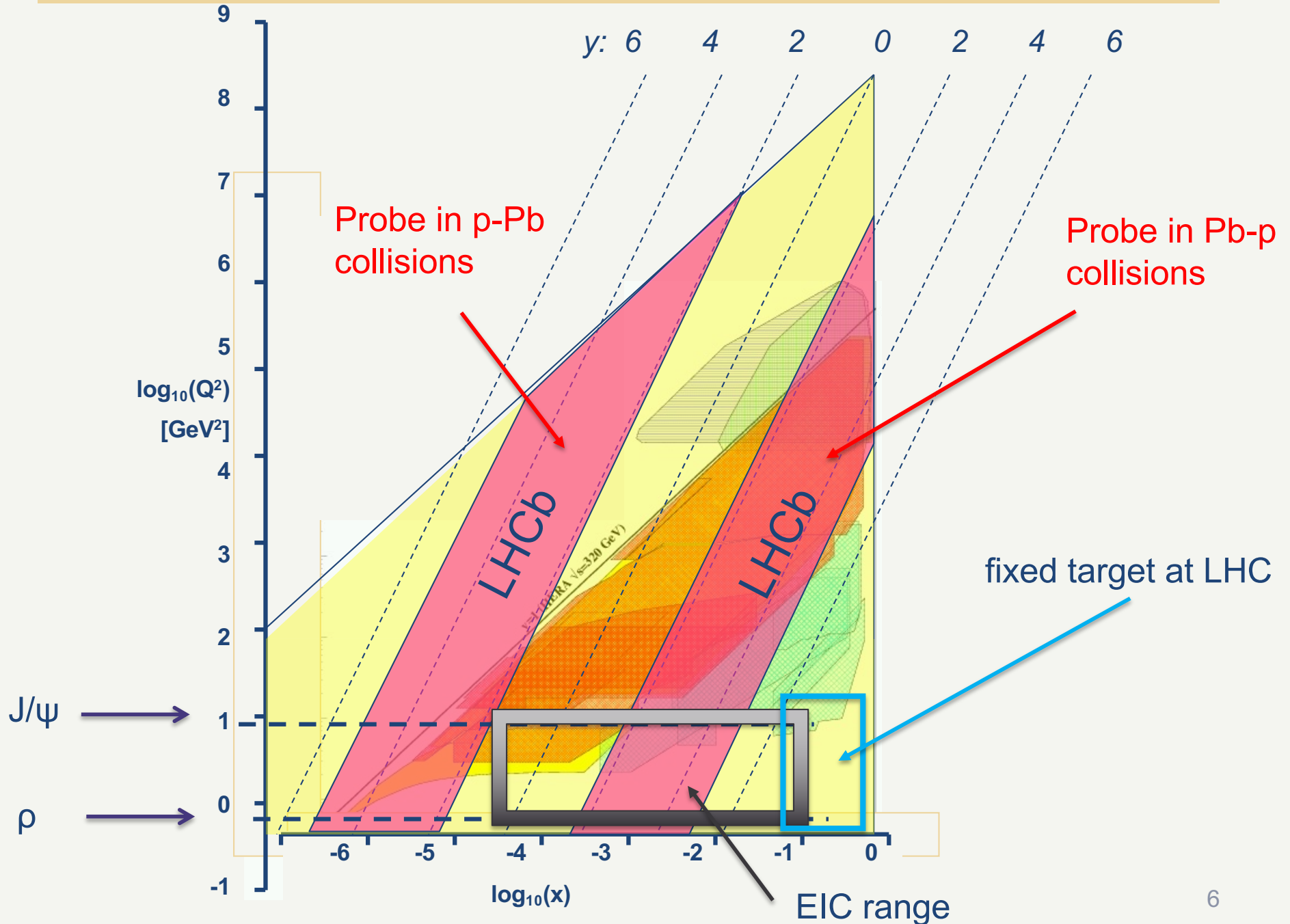
Coherent	DPE (PP)	γP	$\gamma\gamma$
pp	$\sim 100\mu\text{b}$	$\sim 100\mu\text{b}$	$\sim 0.0001\mu\text{b}$
pA	$\times A^{1/3}$	$\times Z^2$	$\times Z^2$
AA	$\times A^{1/6}$	$\times AZ^2$	$\times Z^4$



x - Q^2 values probed at LHC



Complementarity of experiments/projectiles



Experimental design is important

- My signal is your background
- You can enhance your preferred physics by:
 - choice of beams
 - choice of signal
 - break-up of projectile
 - t-dependence



coherent / incoherent

Coherent/Incoherent (theory)

- Definitions:
 - **Coherent** interaction with whole projectile and exclusive production of central state:
 $A+B \rightarrow A+C+B$
 - **Incoherent** is $A+B \rightarrow A+C+B'$ with change of one or both projectiles

(sometimes excitations e.g, $p \rightarrow \Delta \rightarrow p + \gamma$ might be considered coherent
Most experiments have no chance of seeing this, even with proton tagging)

Coherent/Incoherent (exp)

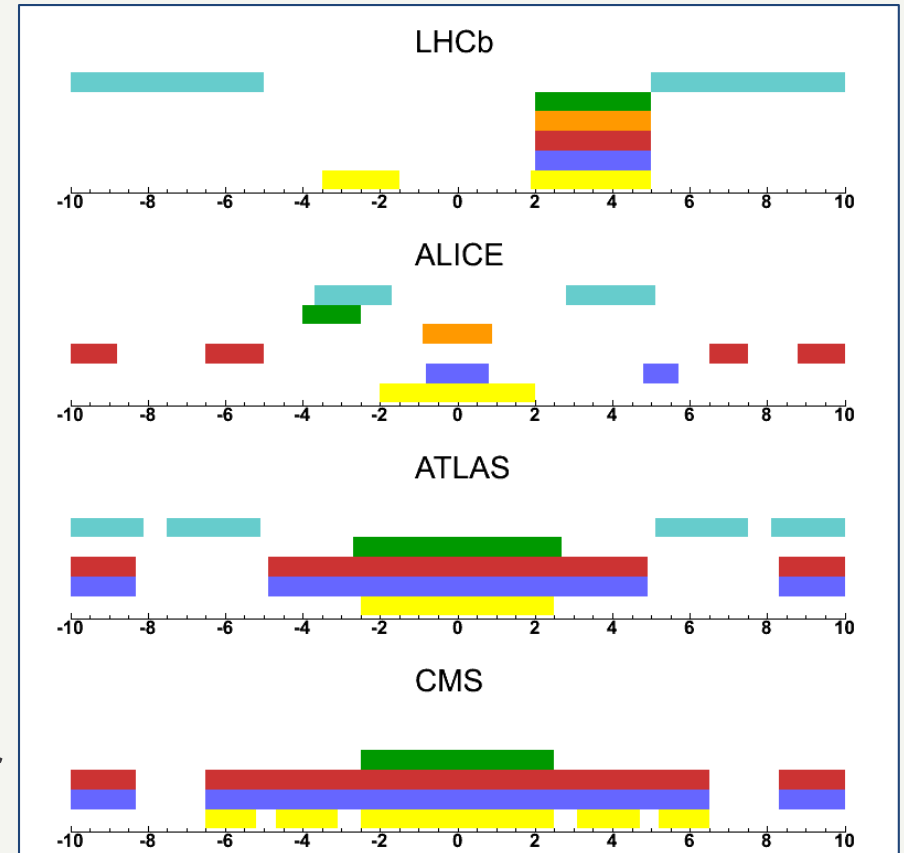
- Definitions:
 - **Coherent** interaction where
 - no break-up is observed
 - pt distribution follows $\exp(bt)$ b large
 - Does this include nuclear excitation ?
 - Does this include coherent breakup
 - **Incoherent** is where:
 - break-up is observed
 - neutrons are observed
 - pt distribution follows $\exp(bt)$ b small
- The translation between the theory and (variable) experimental definitions requires clear definitions, and modelling of theory and detectors

LHC and the detectors

- LHC collides pp, pPb and PbPb
- Also possible is **fixed target** mode of p or Pb on gas

ATLAS, CMS	High Lumi	High pT
ALICE, LHCb	Low Lumi	Low pT

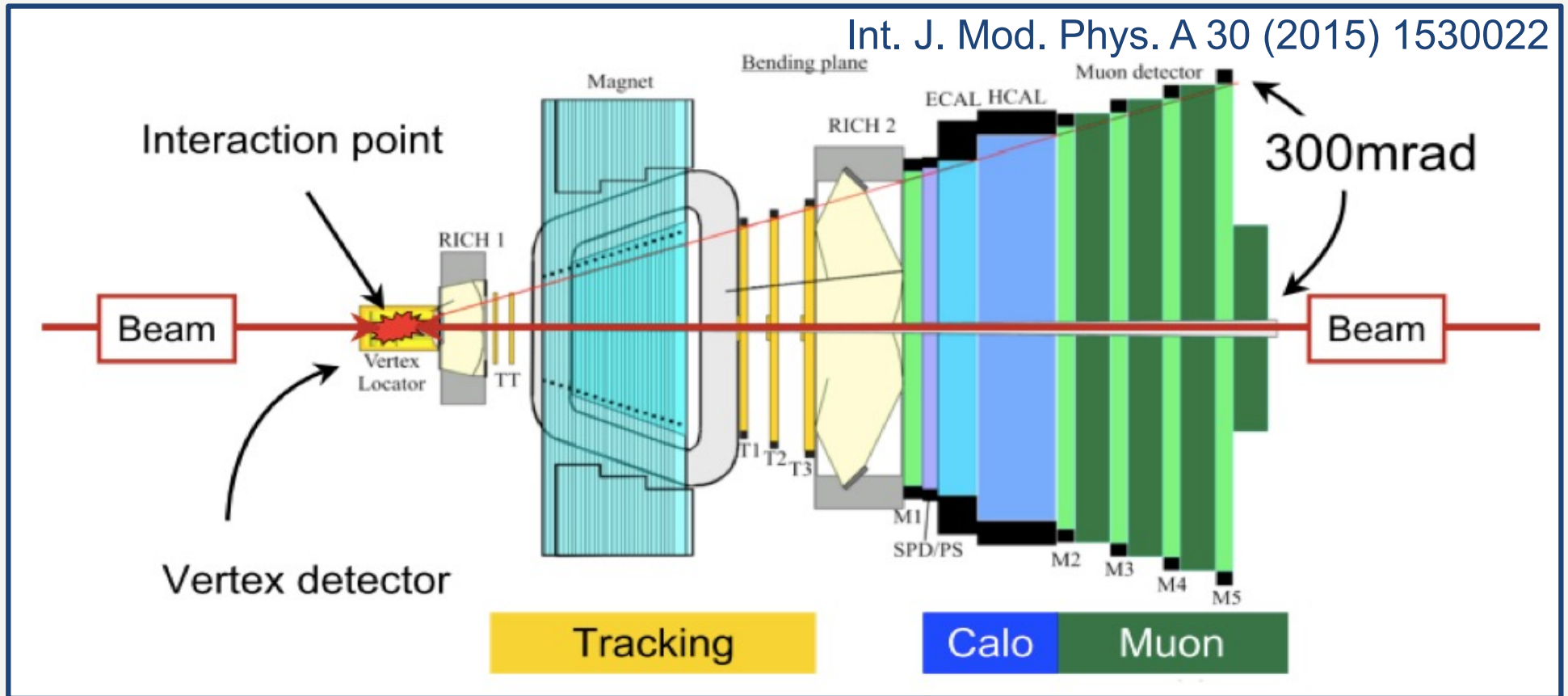
- LHCb: full reconstruction $2 < \eta < 5$
- ATLAS, CMS, ALICE: $5 < \eta < 5$
- All have vetos towards beam axis
- ATLAS, CMS, ALICE have ZDCs for neutrons
- ATLAS, CMS(+TOTEM) have roman pots close to beam (but generally do not detect recoil protons for low-mass objects)



Tracking
 ECAL
 HCAL
 Hadron PID
 Muon
 Counters

The LHCb detector

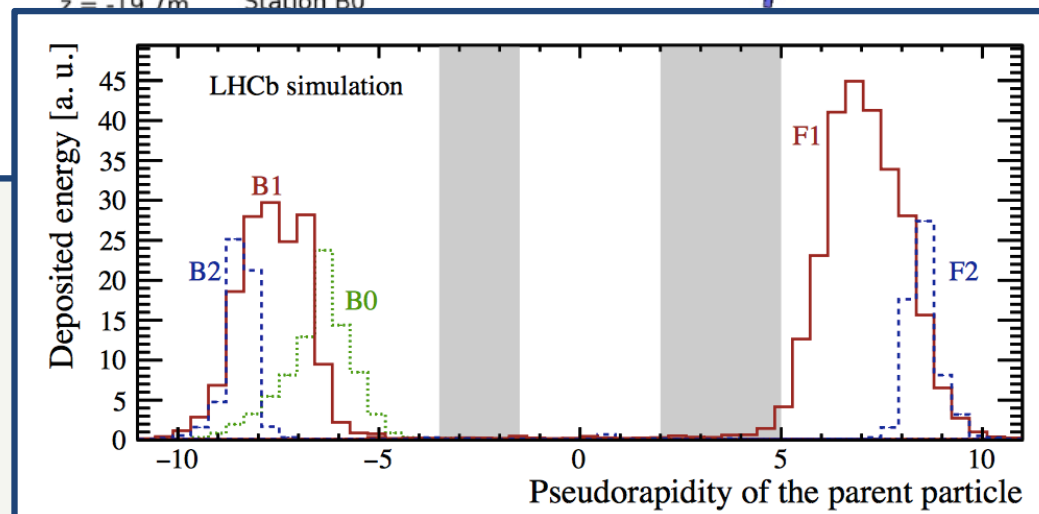
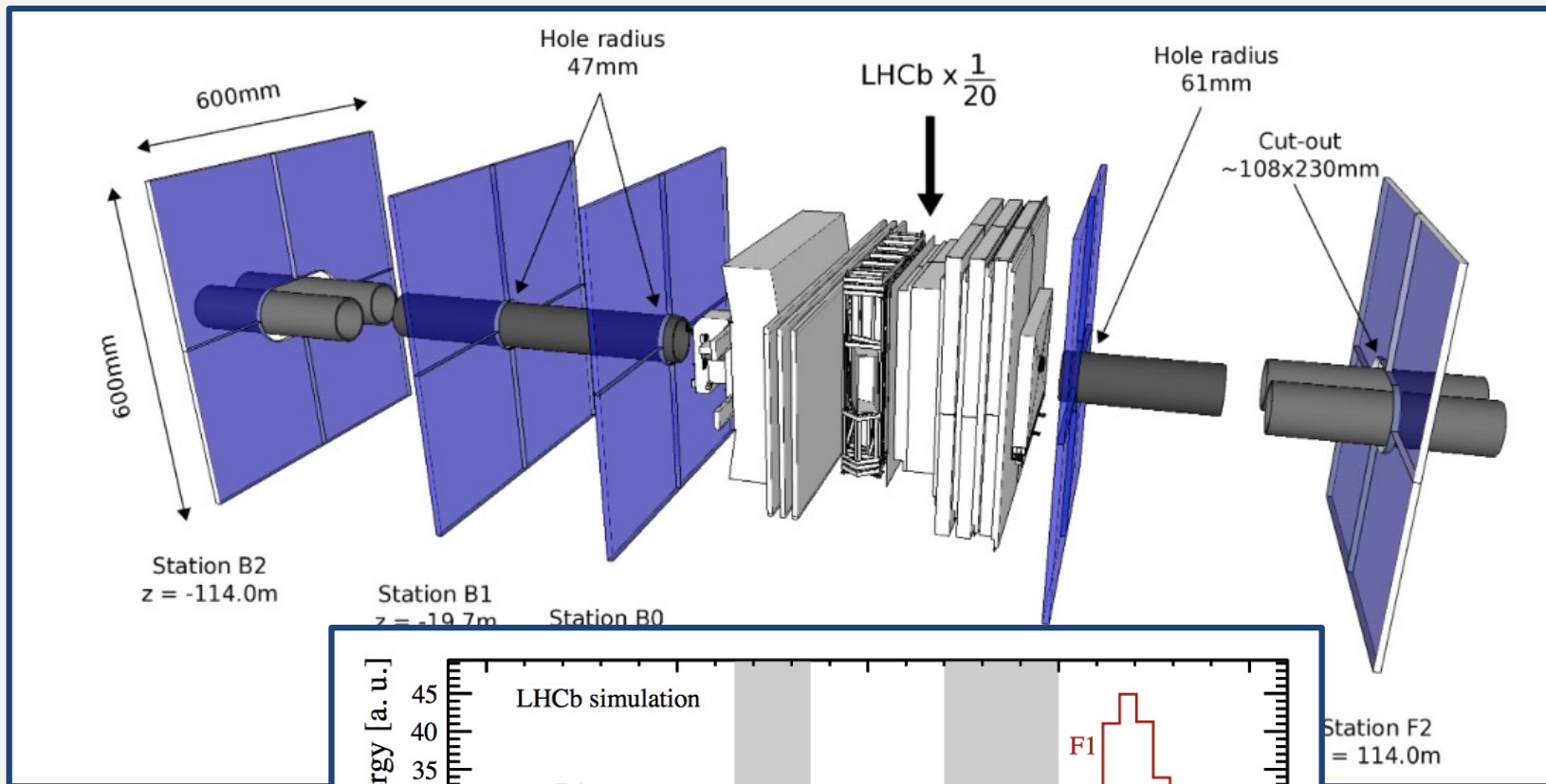
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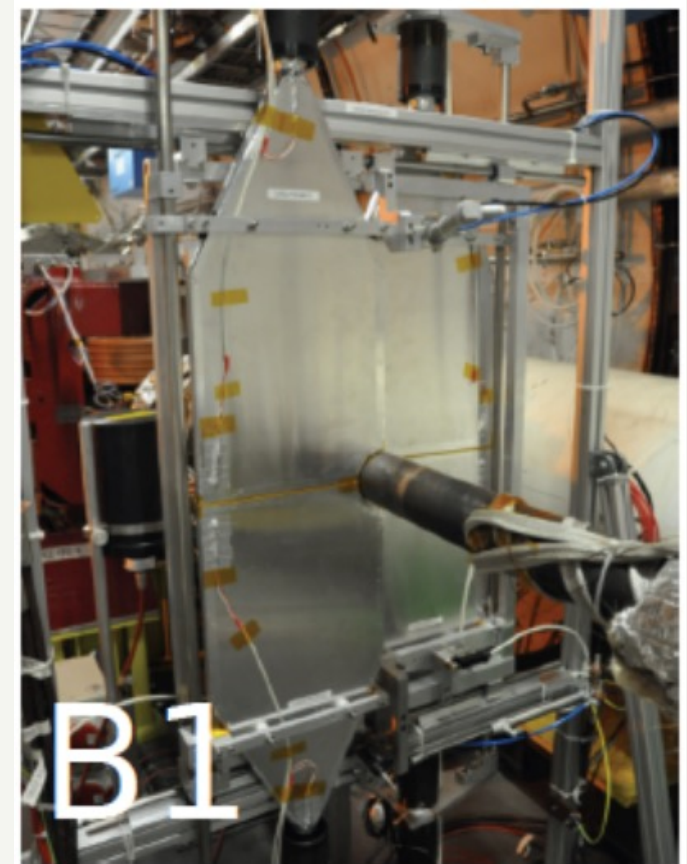
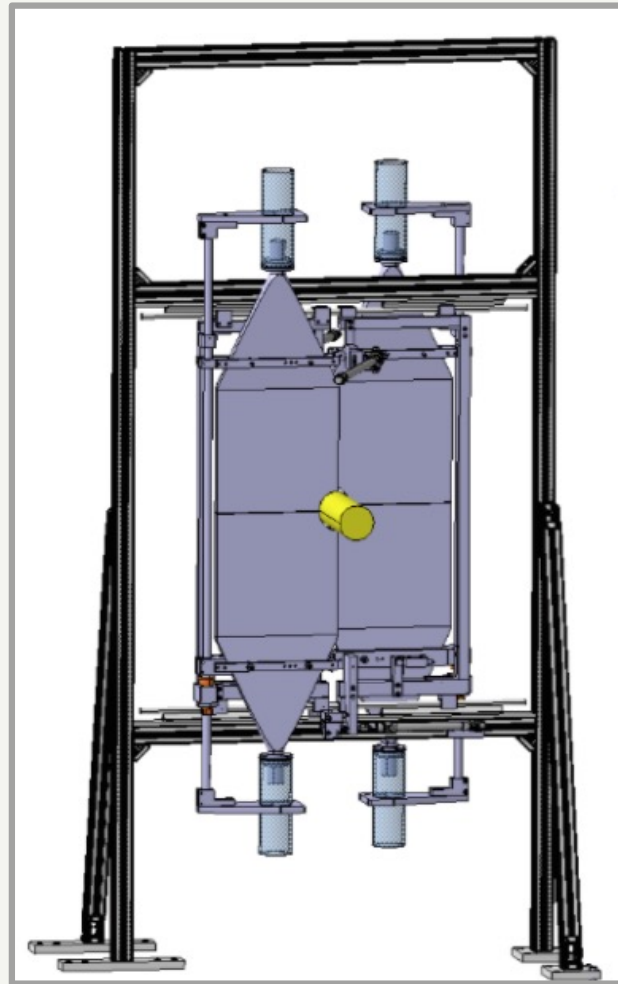
Fully instrumented: $2 < \eta < 5$

Veto region (Run 2): $-10 < \eta < -5, 5 < \eta < 10$

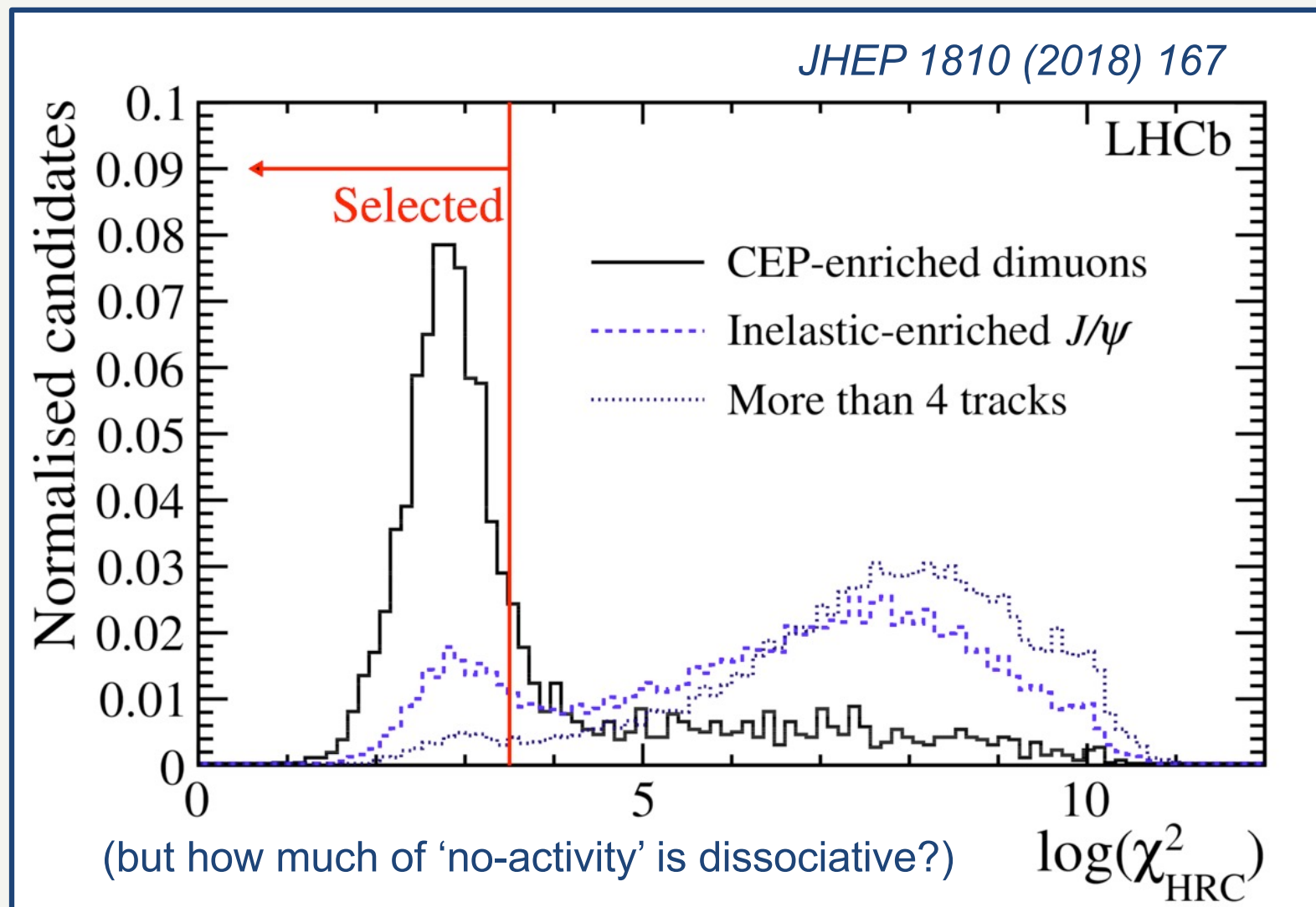
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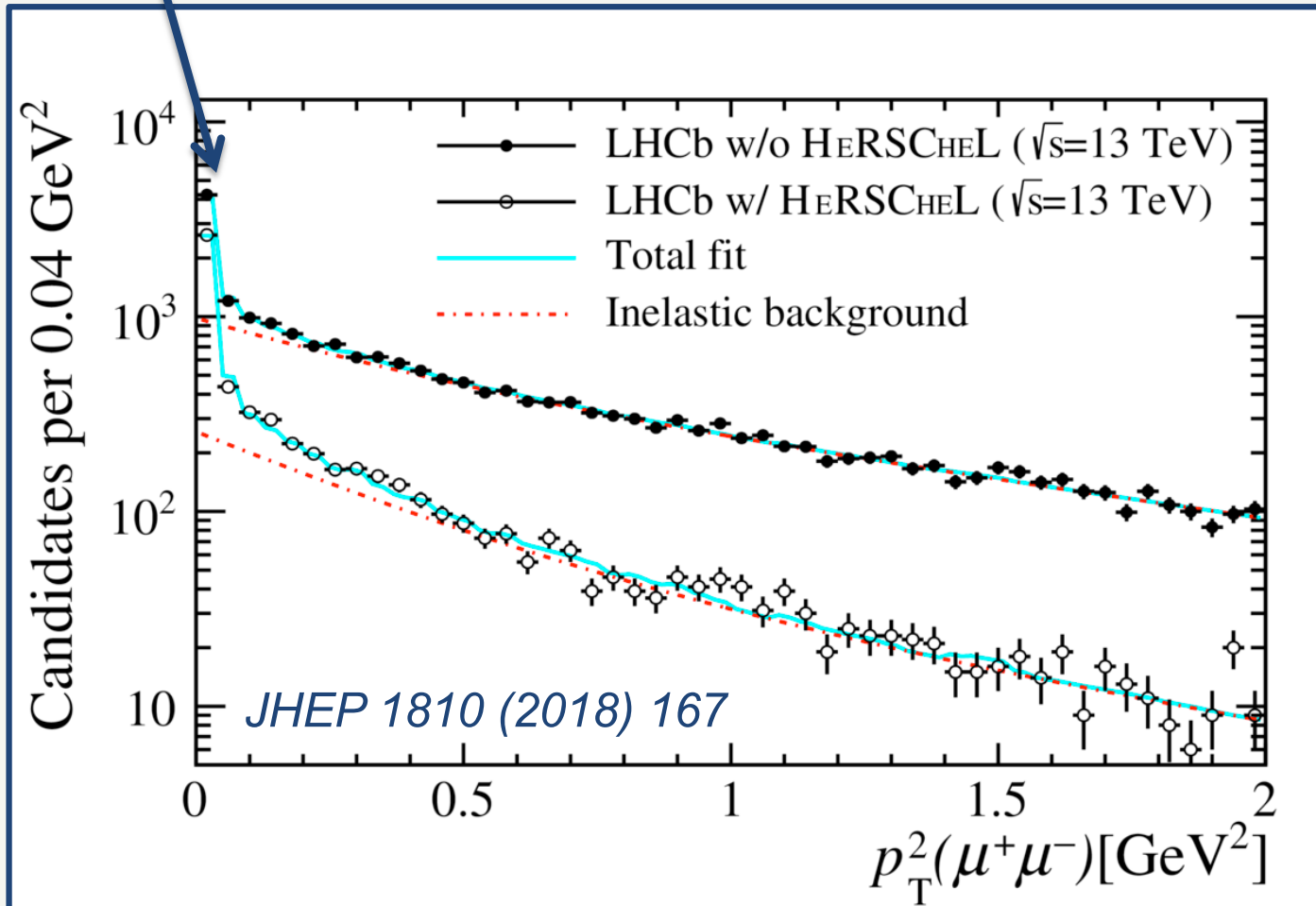
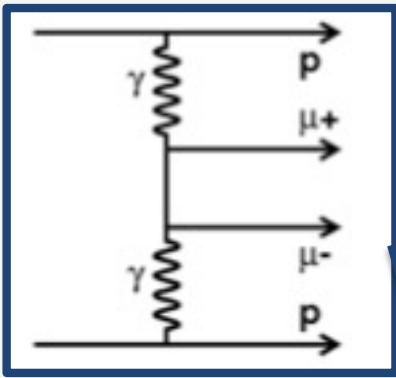
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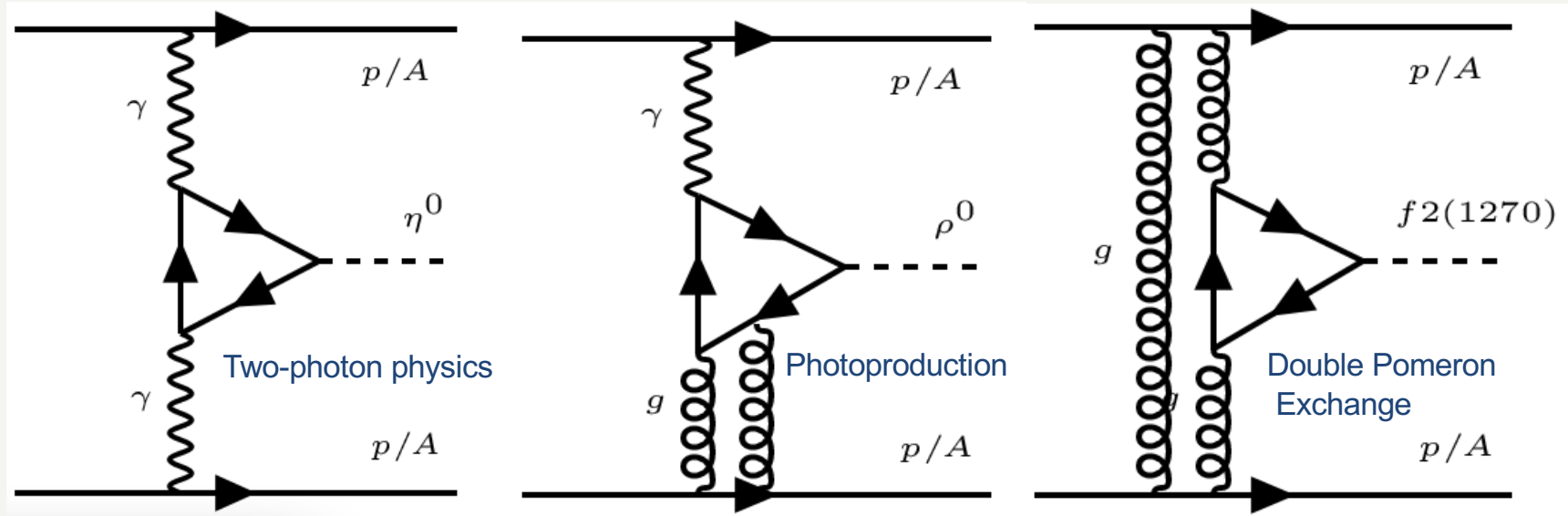
Discrimination power of Herschel



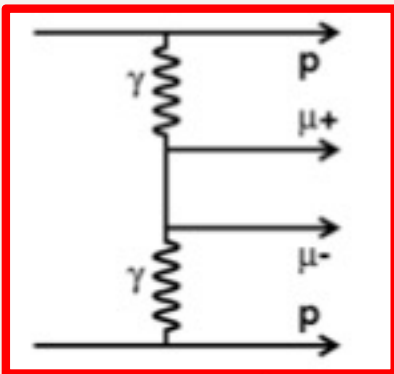
Dimuon continuum



UPC physics



Dimuons in pp collisions

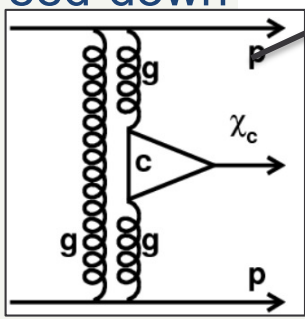
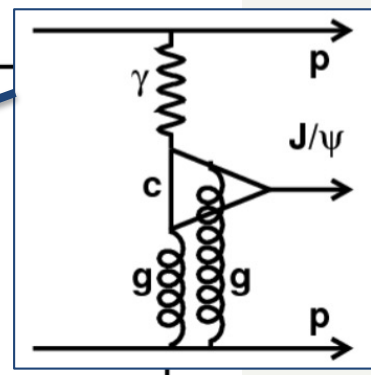
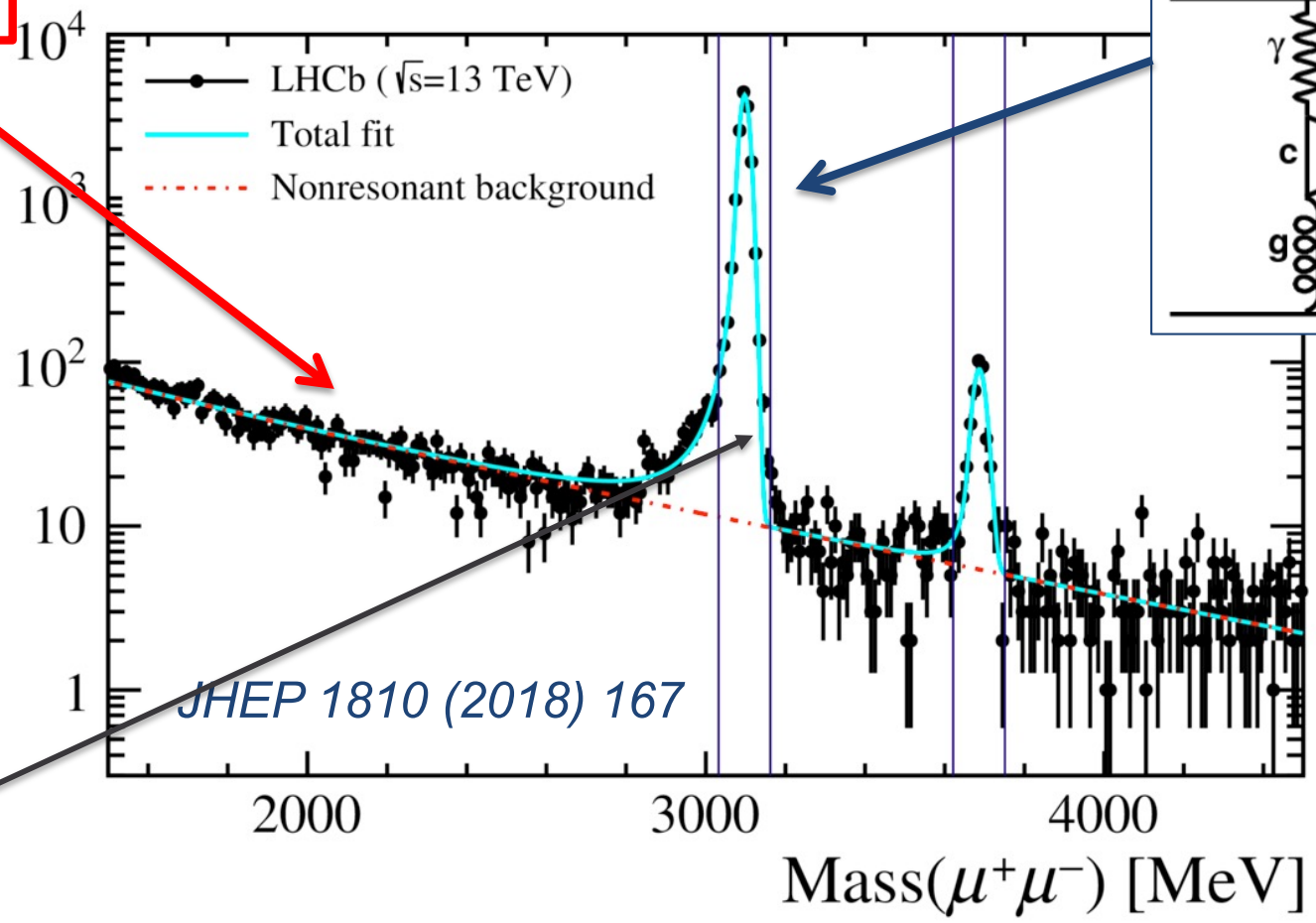


$\gamma\gamma$ events continue to detection threshold at ~ 600 MeV

(electrons down to ~ 200 MeV)

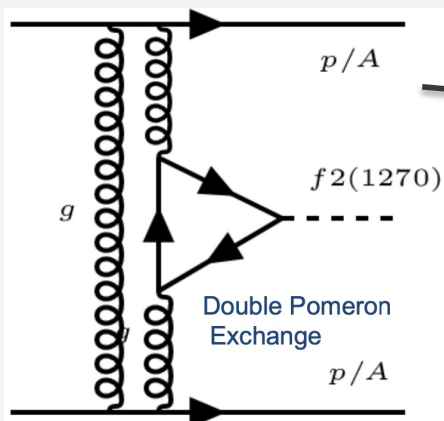
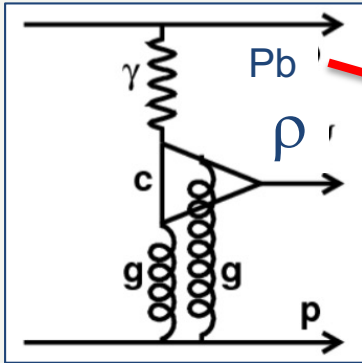
Feed-down

Candidates per 10 MeV

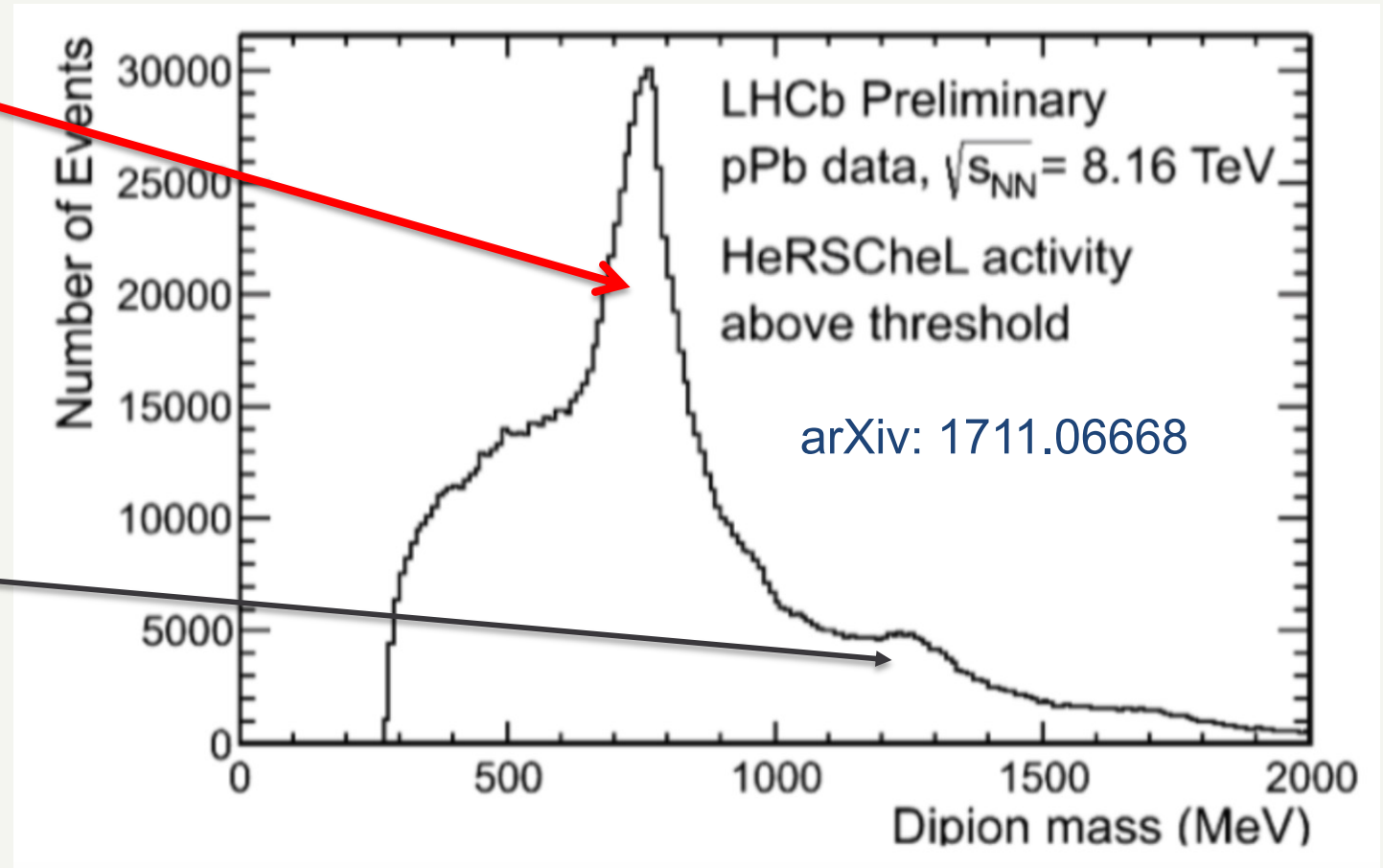


Two muons and nothing else in the LHCb detector

Dipions in pPb collisions

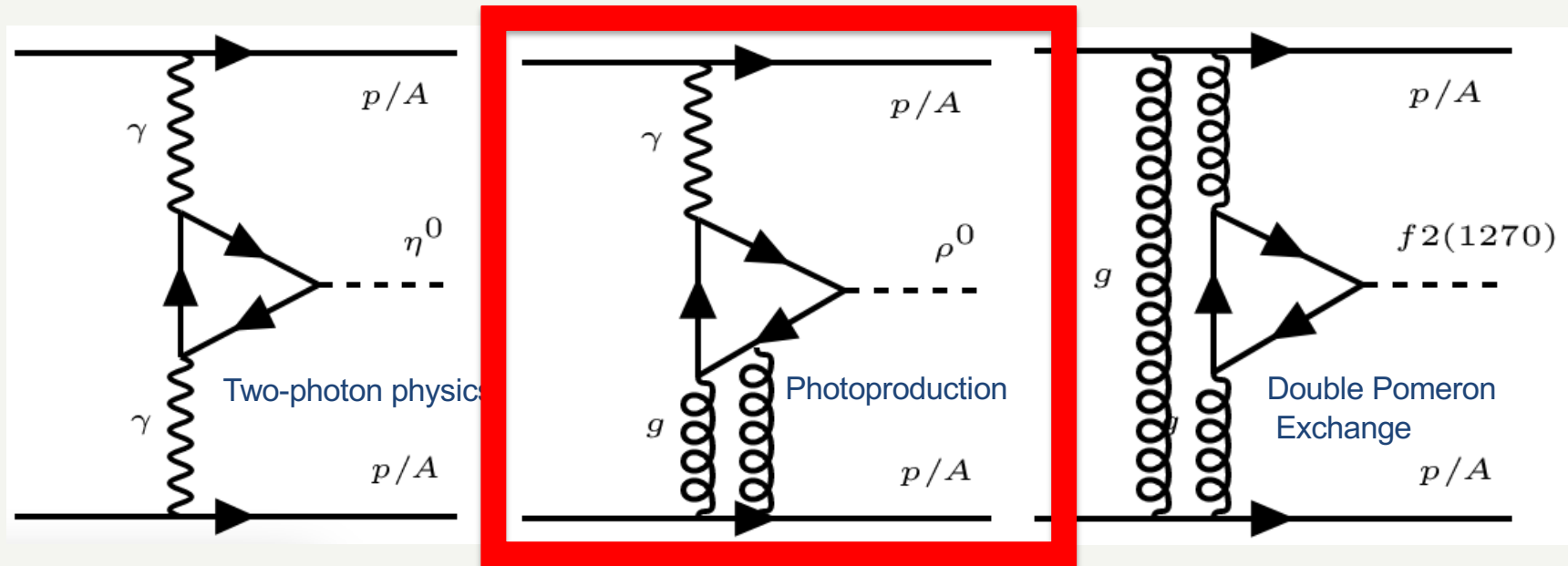


DPE and photoproduction via Reggeons

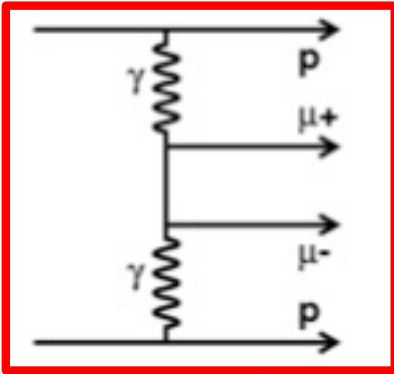


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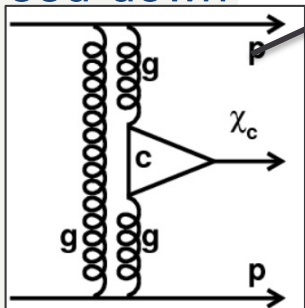
Photoproduction of J/ψ in pp collisions



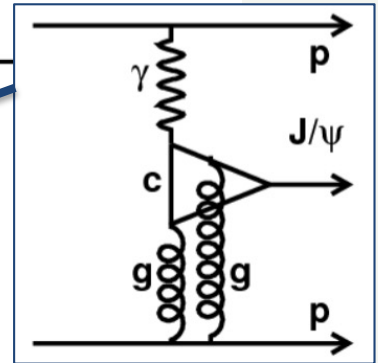
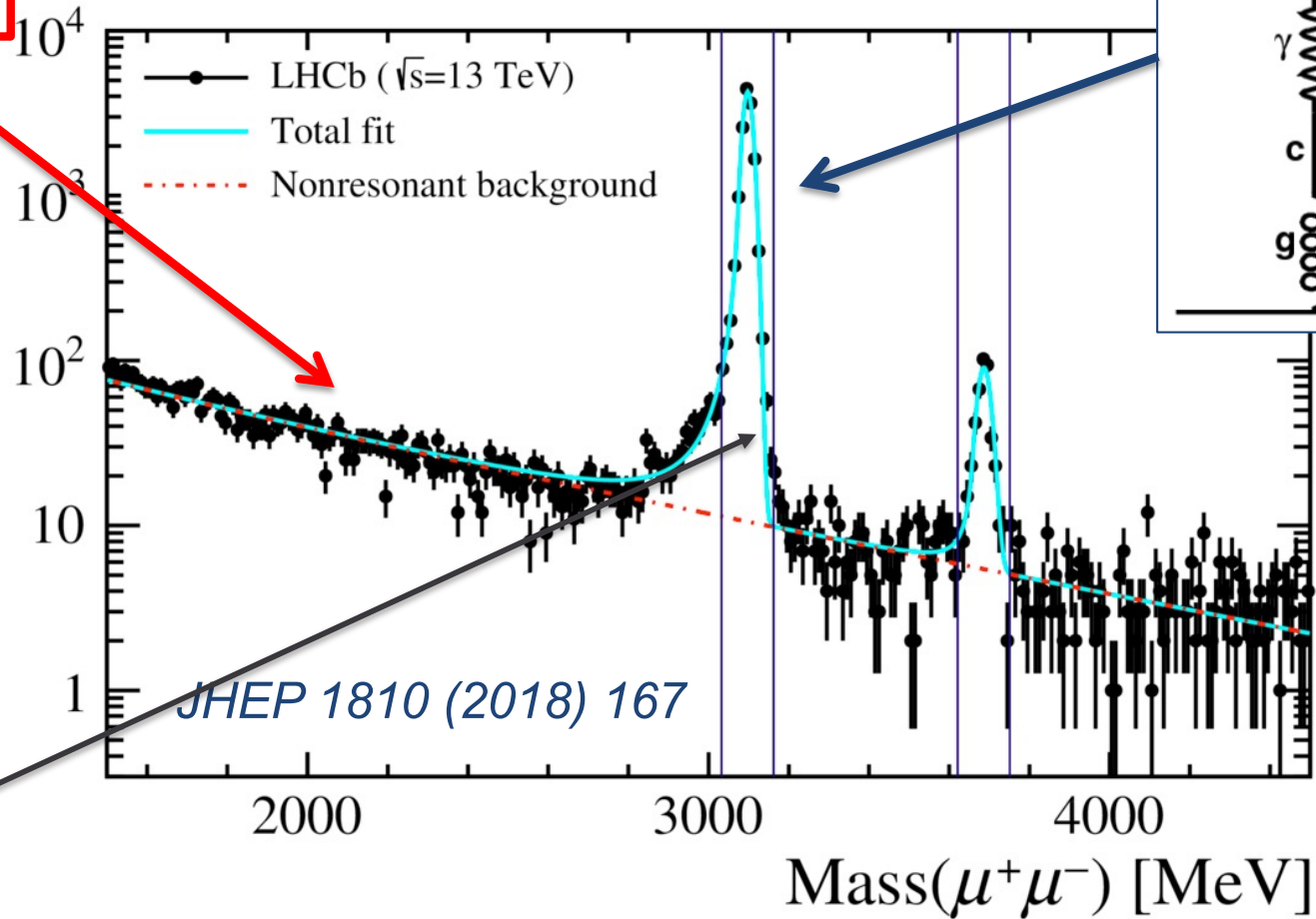
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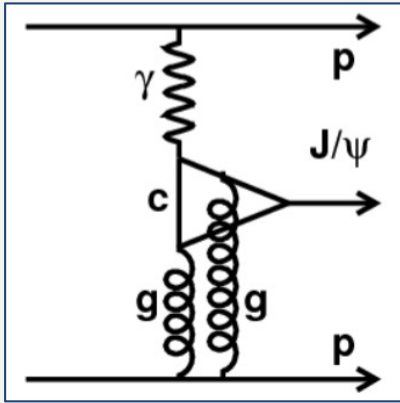


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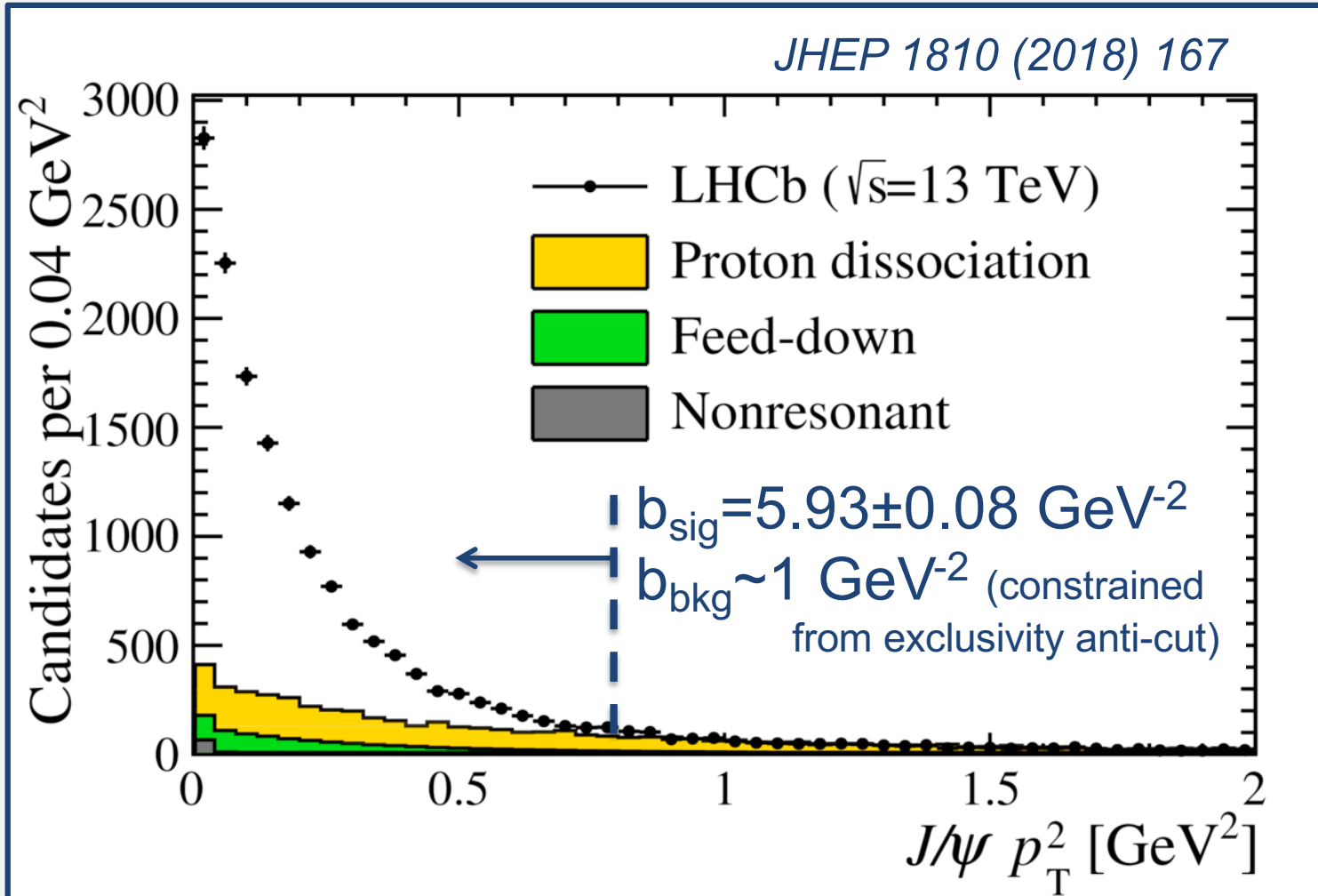
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Purity for CEP of J/ψ

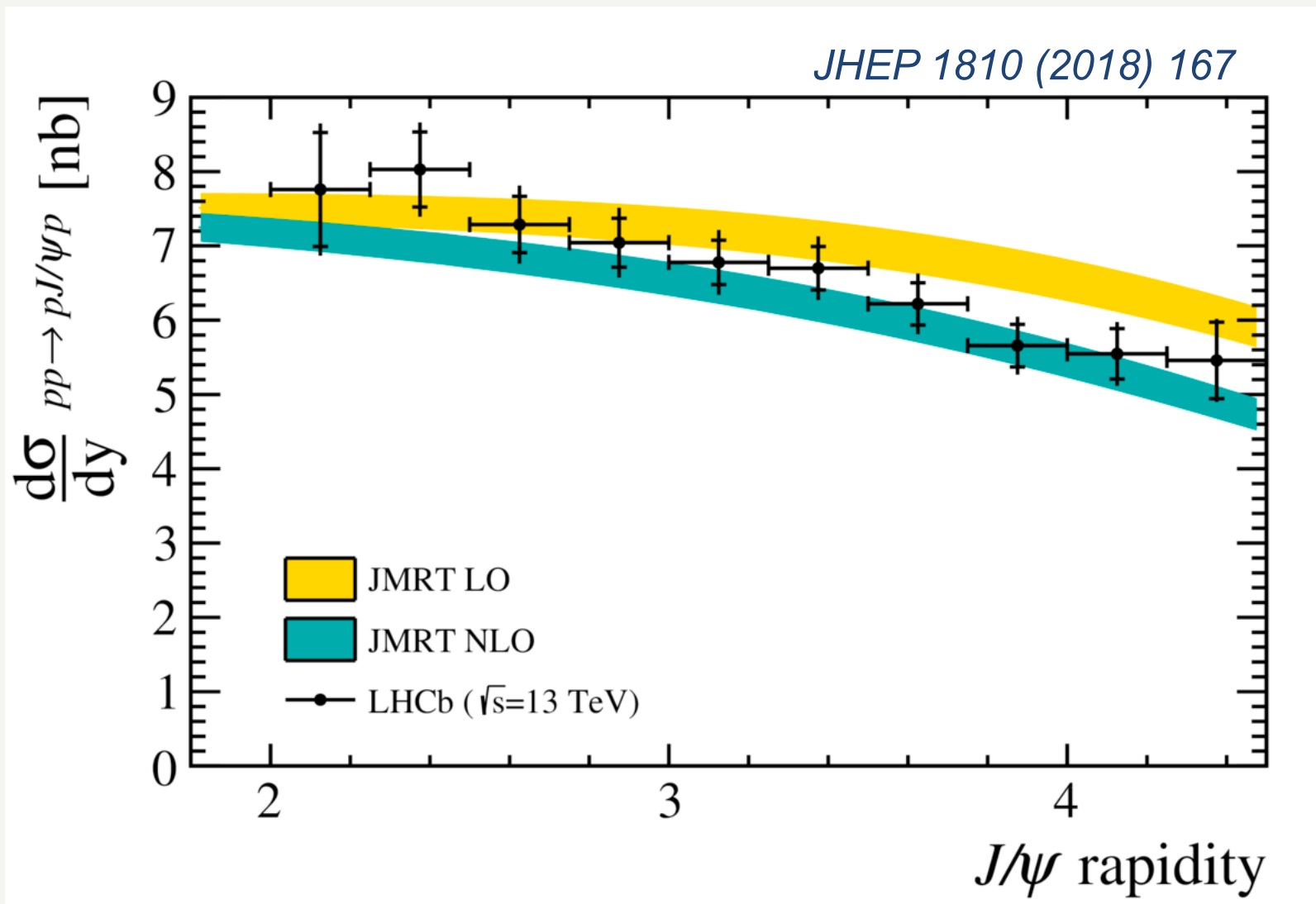


Assume
Signal and
Background

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \sim e^{bt}$$

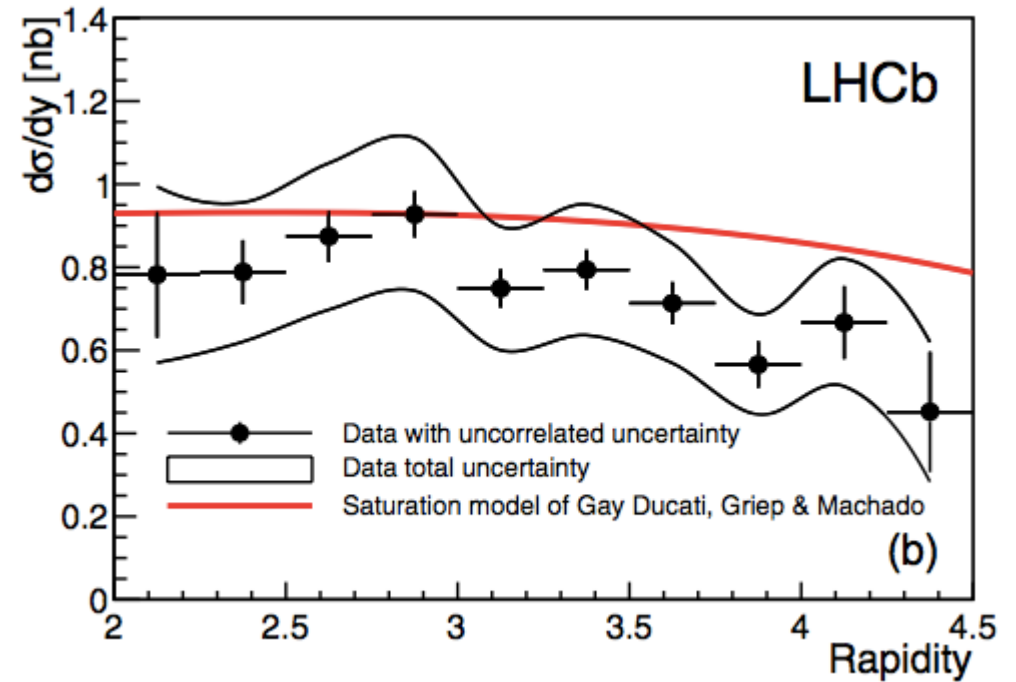
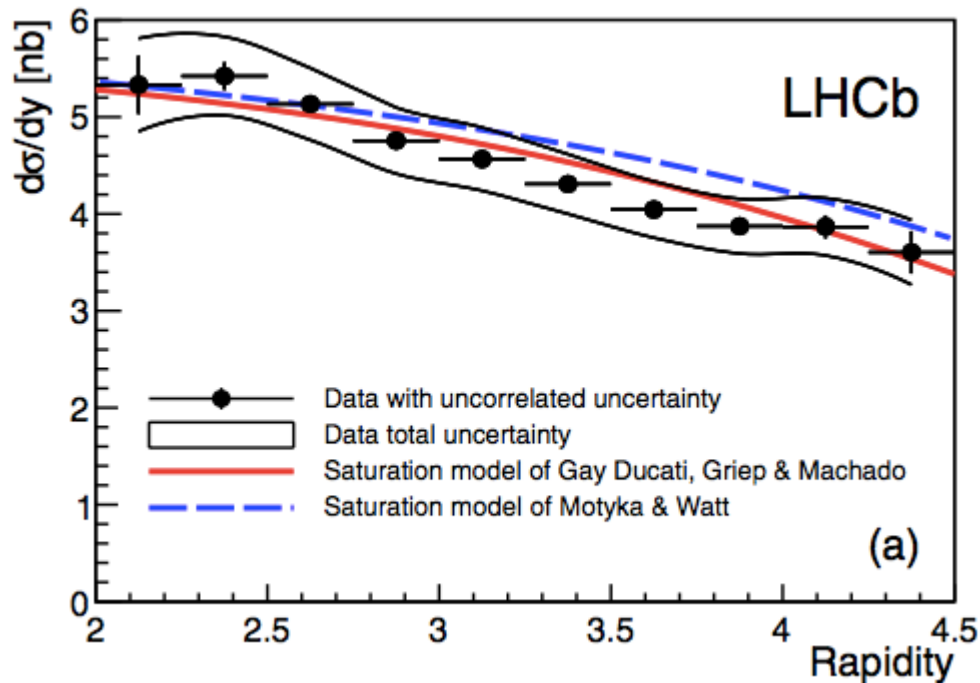


Differential cross-section $pp \rightarrow pJ/\psi p$



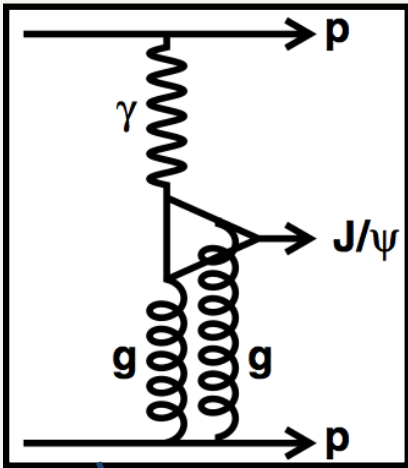
Implications: Saturation?

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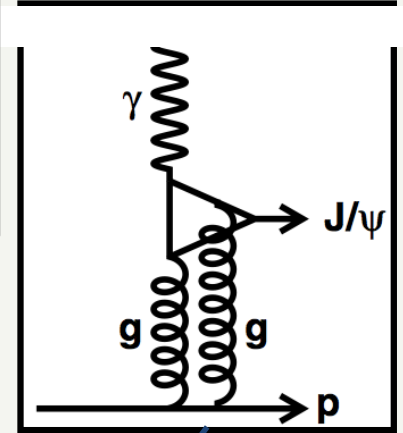


LO doesn't fit data
NLO does
Various saturation models do

Convert to photo-production cross-section



LHCb
measures



HERA
measured

Photon
Flux

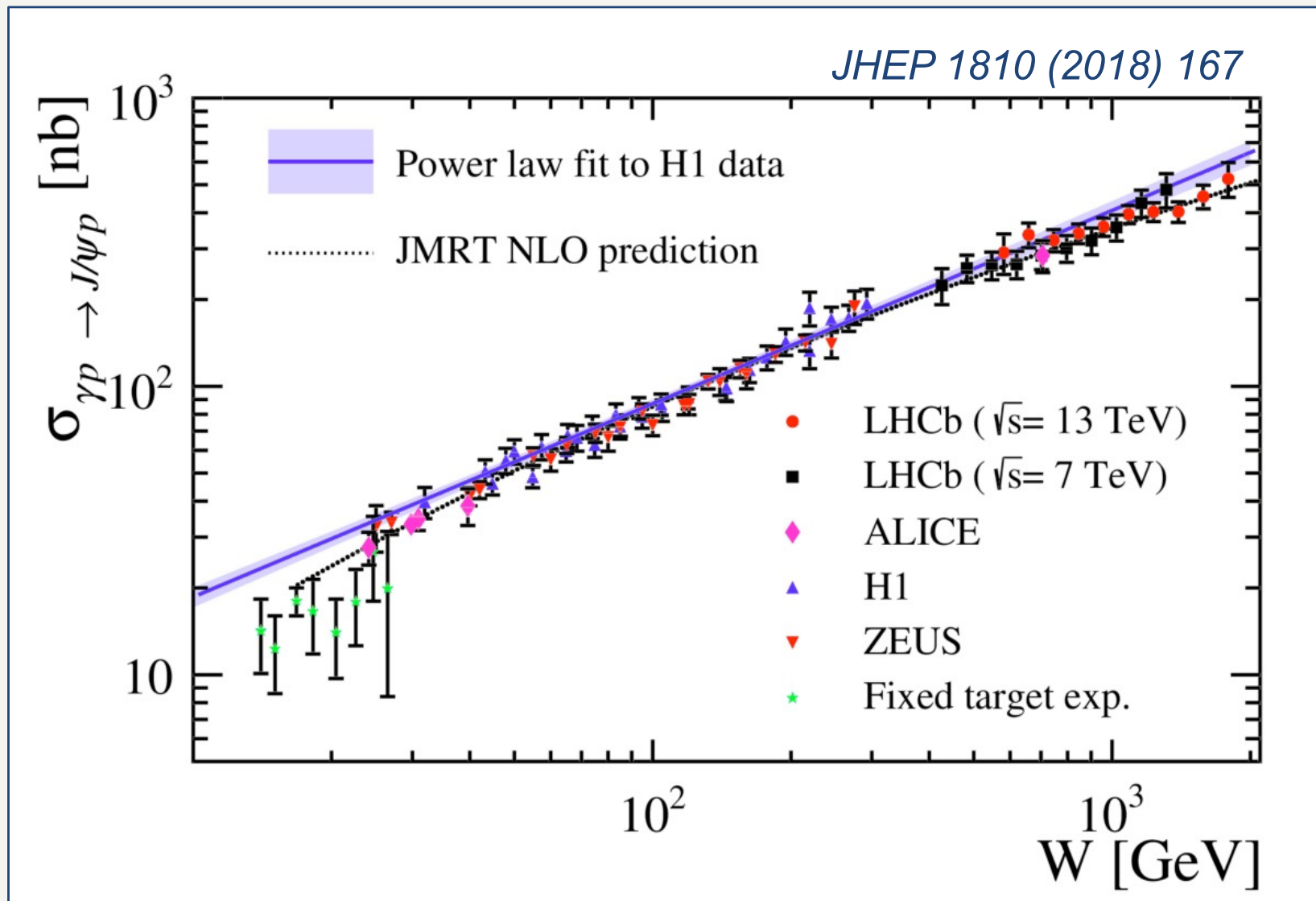
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy}_{pp \rightarrow pJ/\psi p} = r_+ k_+ \frac{dn}{dk_+} \sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(W_+) + r_- k_- \frac{dn}{dk_-} \sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(W_-)$$

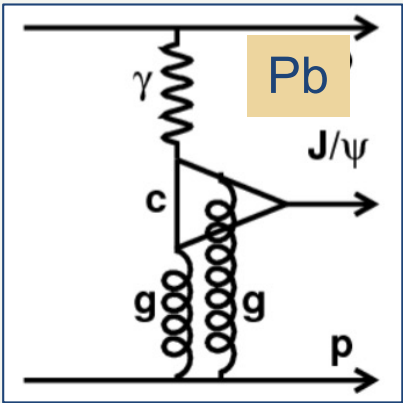
Gap
Survival

HERA measured power-law:

$$\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(W) = 81(W/90 \text{ GeV})^{0.67} \text{ nb}$$

Photoproduction cross-section



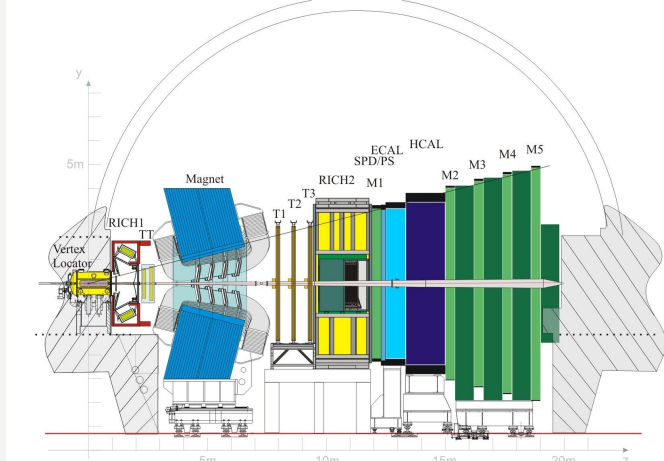


Which projectile produced the photon?

pomeron →

← Photon

pPb collisions



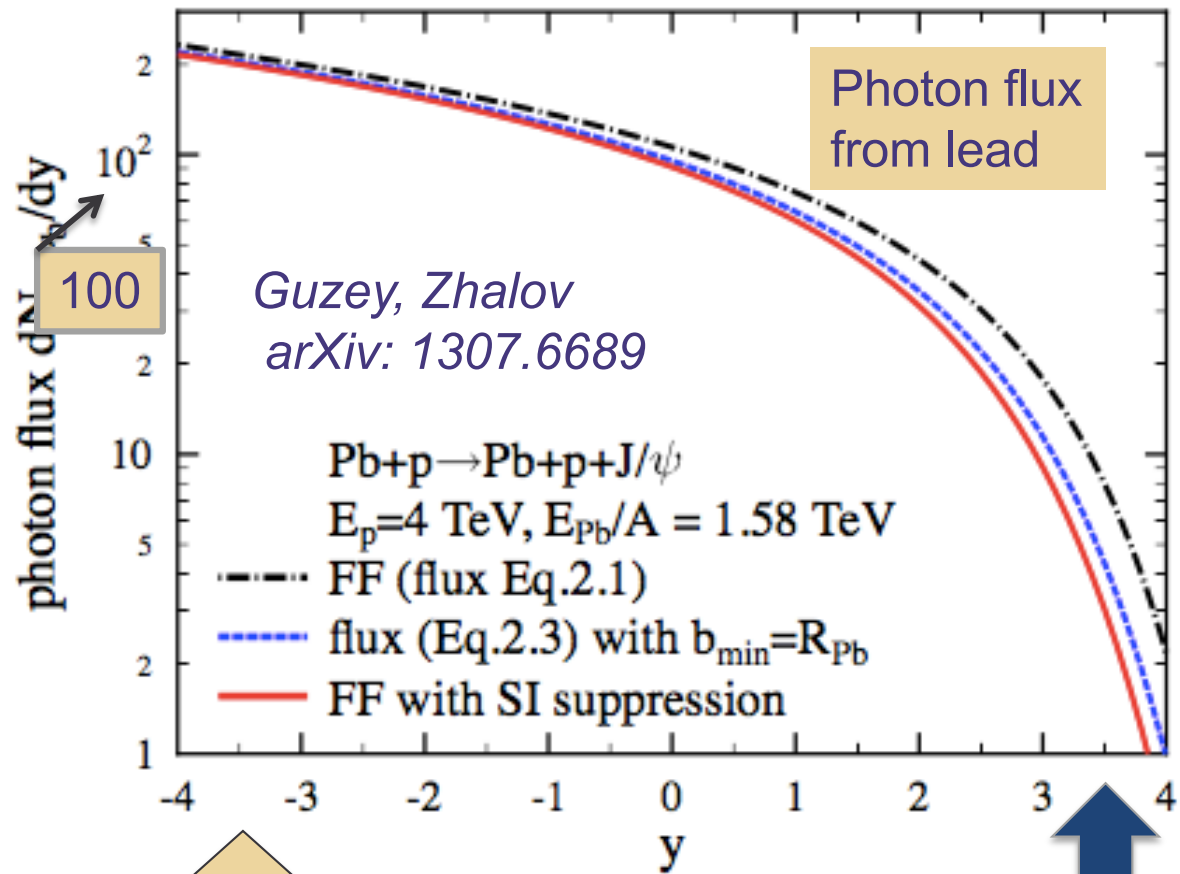
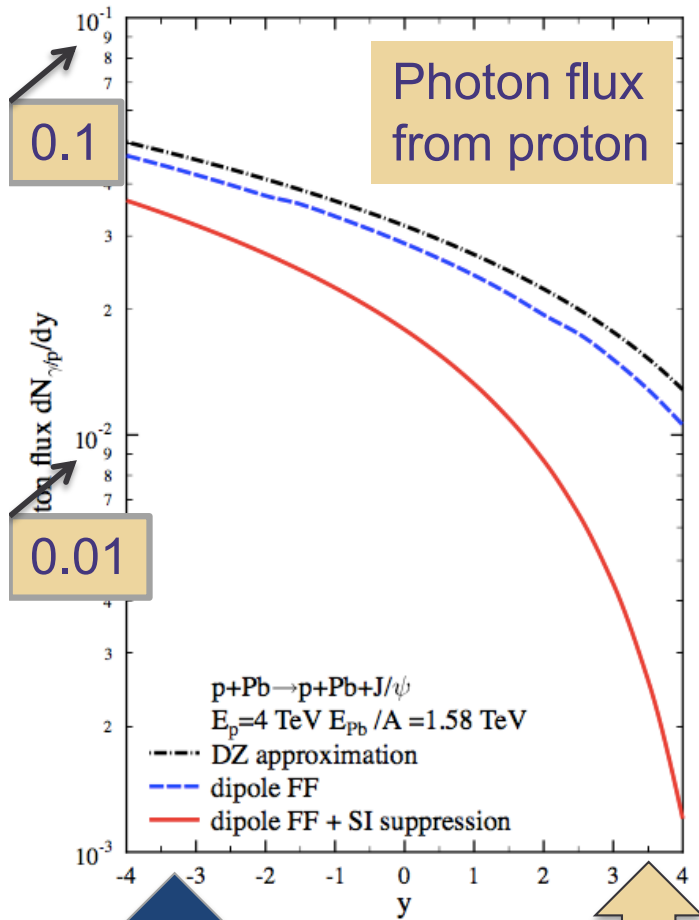
Photon →

← pomeron

Pbp collisions

Which projectile produced the photon?

At $y \sim 0$, photon comes from lead (Z^2 enhancement)

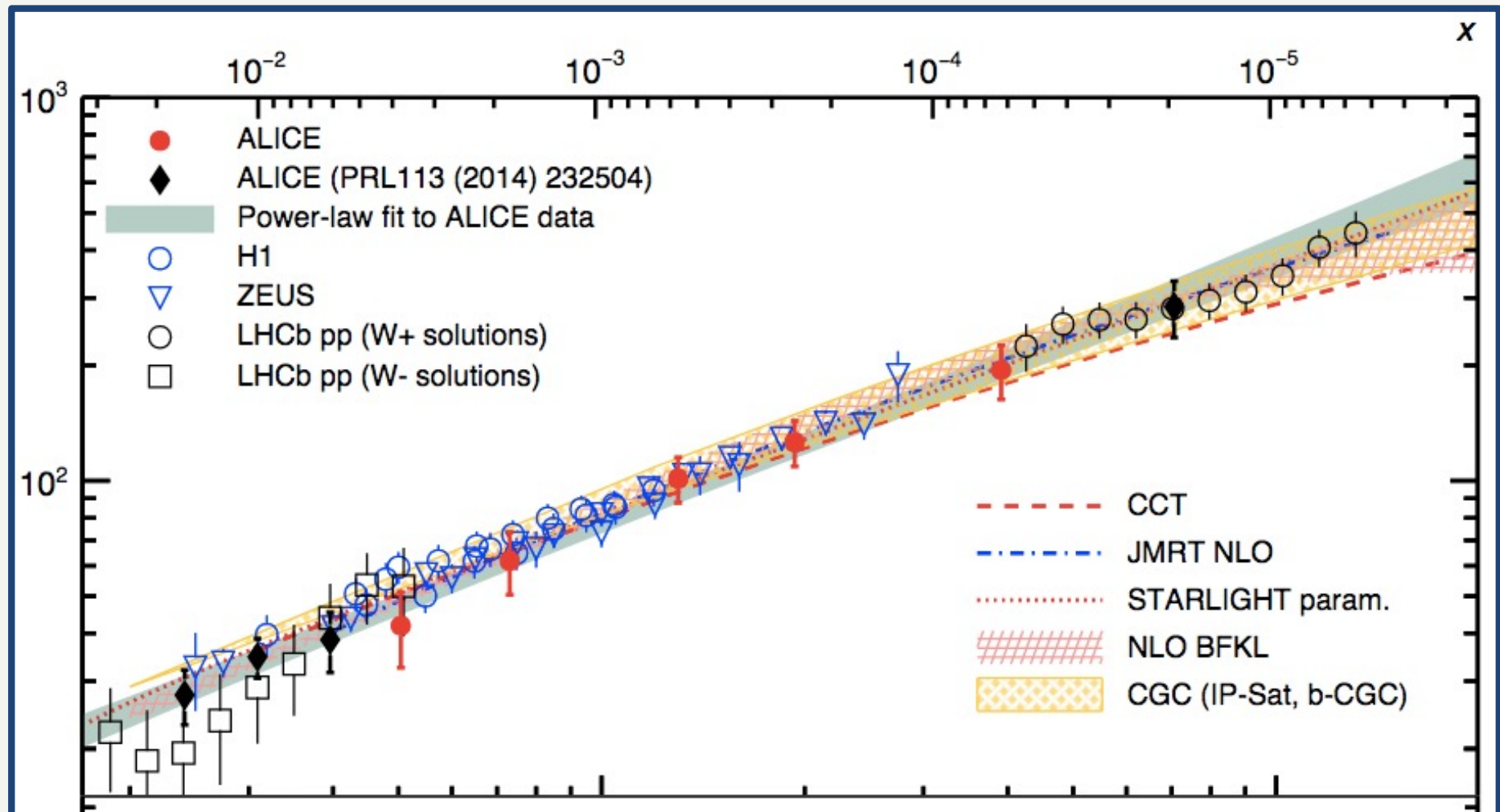


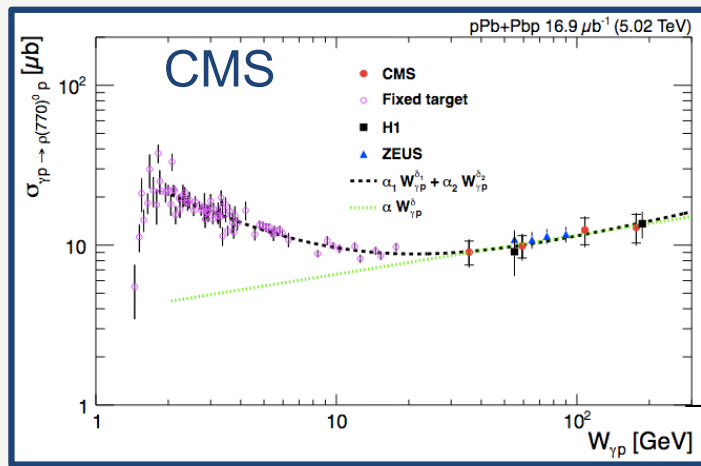
For LHCb, In pPb collisions, photon comes from lead

For Pb p collisions, ~1% comes from p

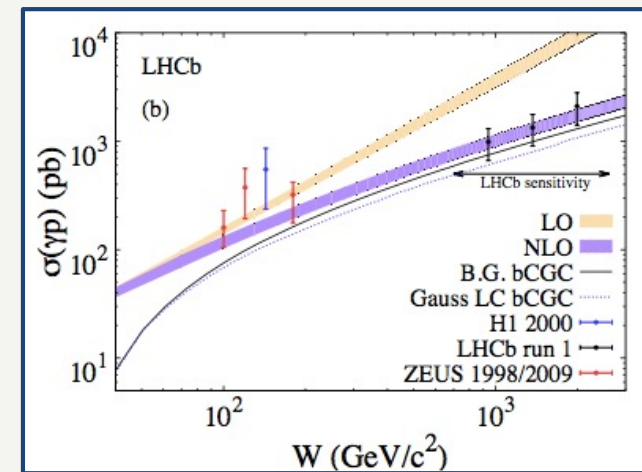
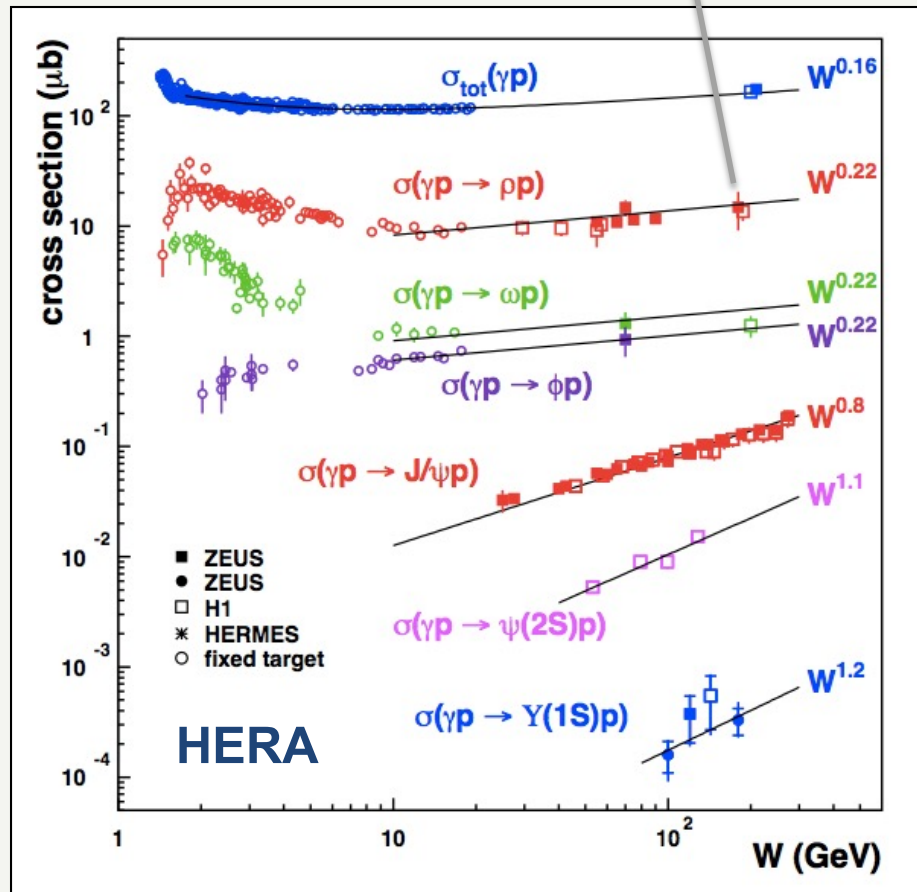
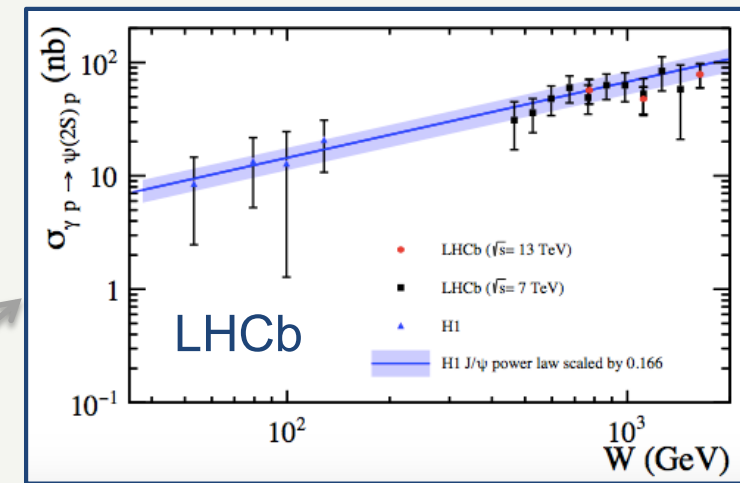
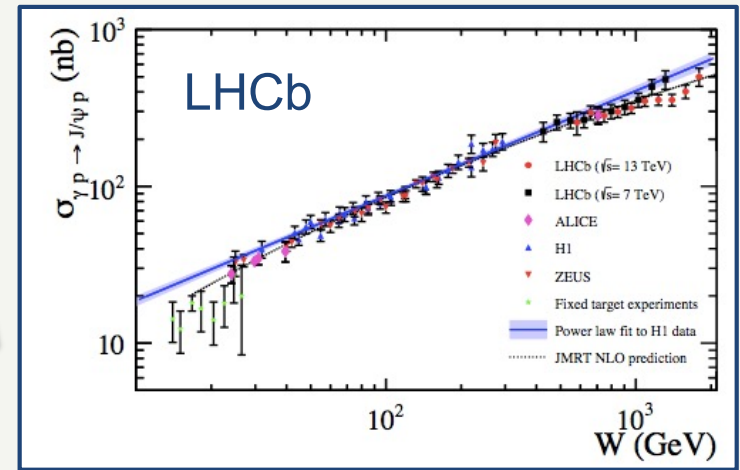
J/ψ production in pPb and Pbp

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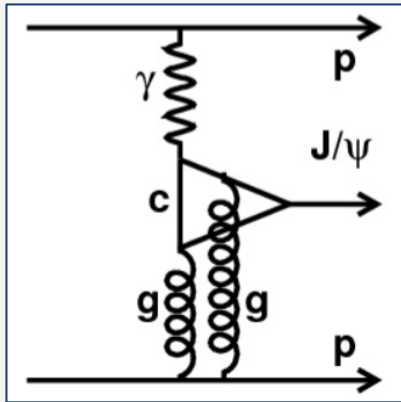


LHCb points here



Implications: gluon PDF

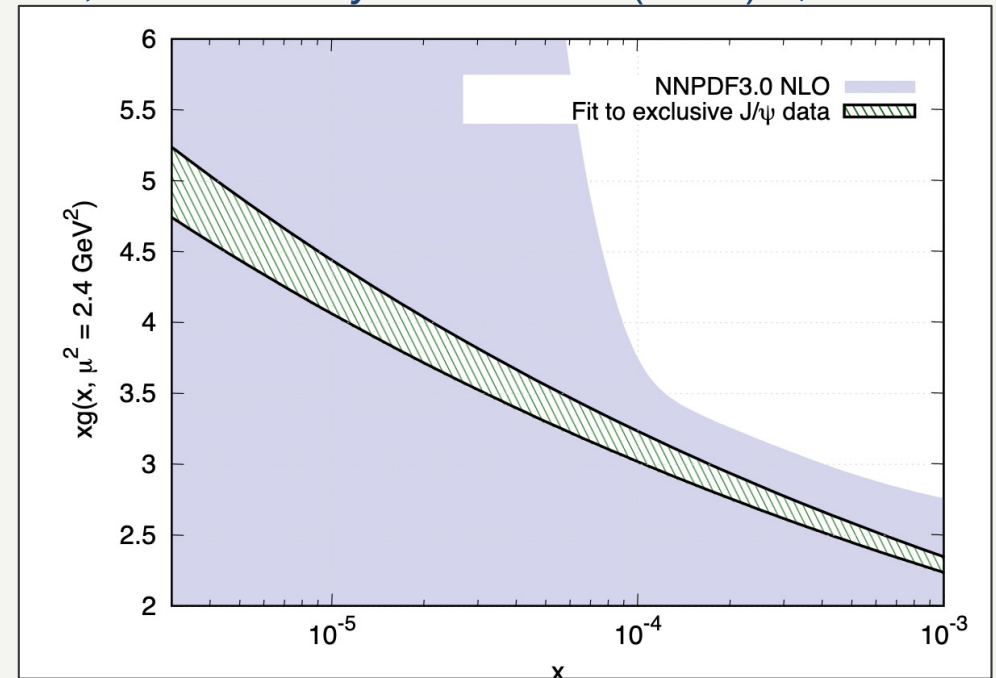
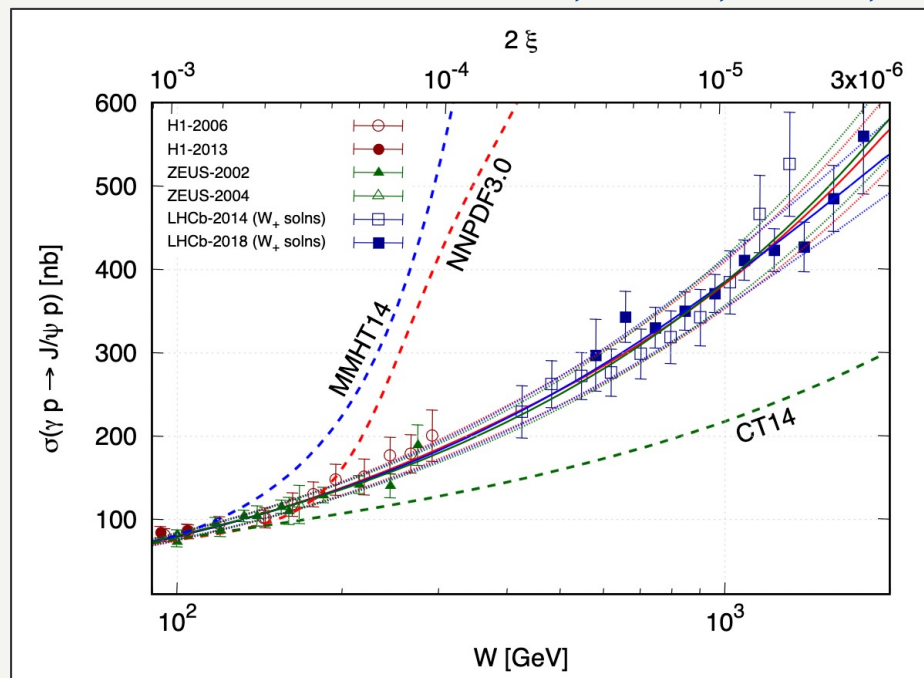
Ryskin, Z. Phys. C 57 (1993) 89



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} (\gamma^* p \rightarrow J/\psi p) \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{\Gamma_{ee} M_{J/\psi}^3 \pi^3}{48\alpha} \left[\frac{\alpha_s(\bar{Q}^2)}{\bar{Q}^4} xg(x, \bar{Q}^2) \right]^2 \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{M_{J/\psi}^2} \right)$$

Flett, Martin, Ryskin, Teubner. Phys.Rev.D 102 (2020) 114021

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makes use of Shuvaev transform to relate GPDs and PDFs

$$H_q(X, \xi) = \int_{-1}^1 dx' \left[\frac{2}{\pi} \text{Im} \int_0^1 \frac{ds}{y(s)\sqrt{1-y(s)x'}} \right] \frac{d}{dx'} \left(\frac{q(x')}{|x'|} \right),$$

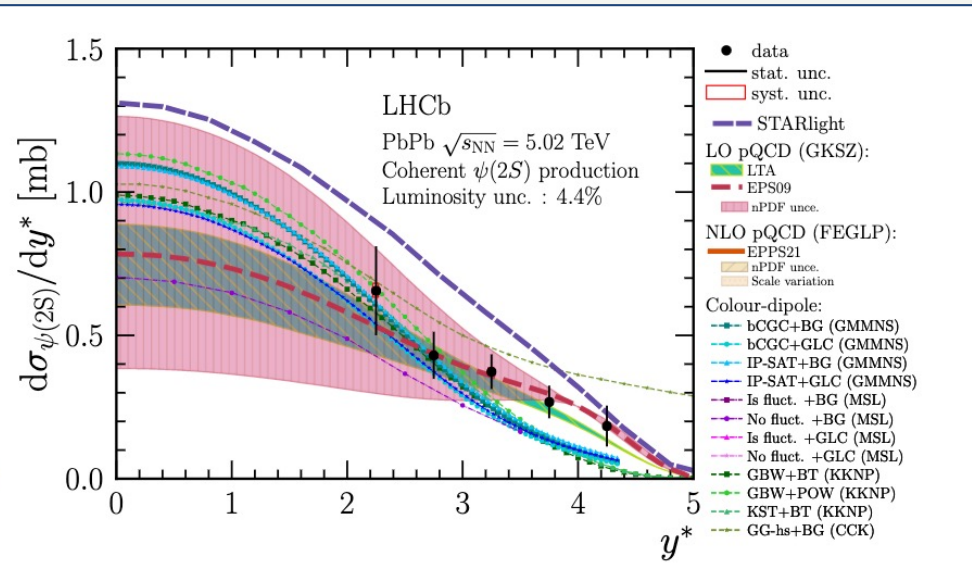
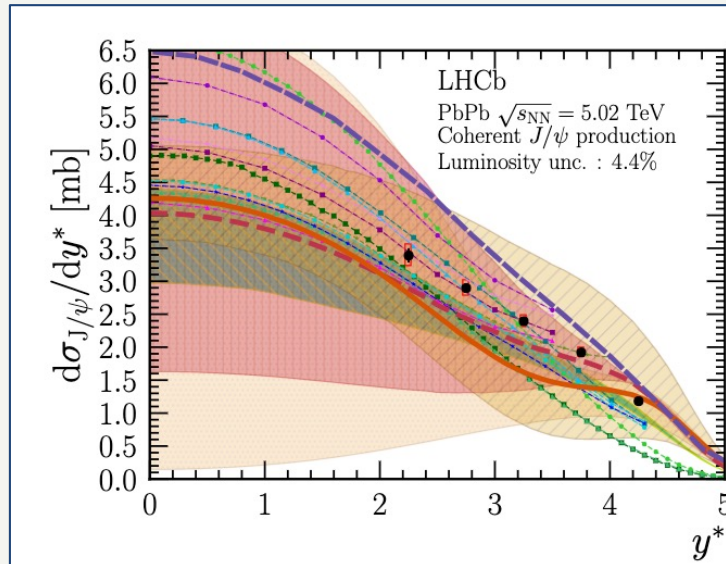
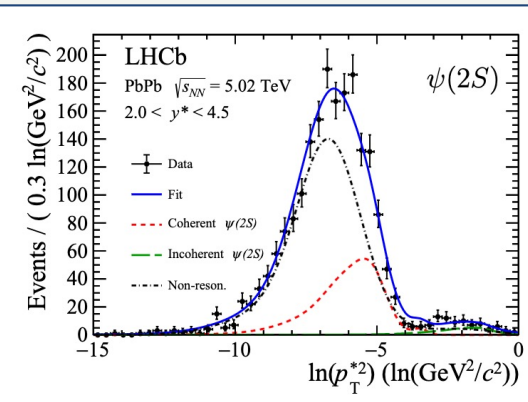
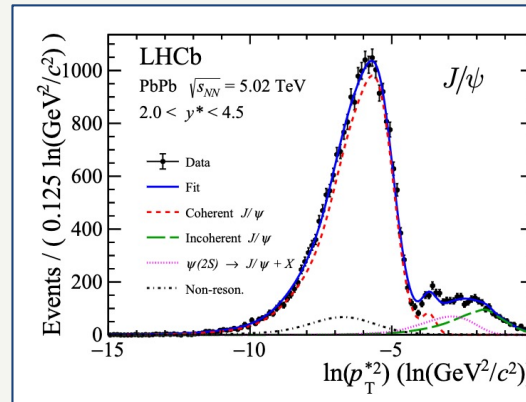
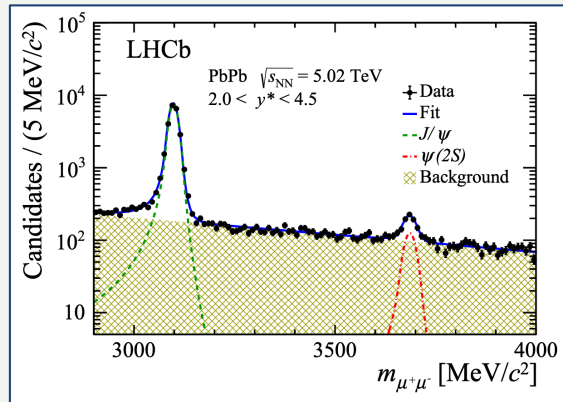
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where the transform kernel,

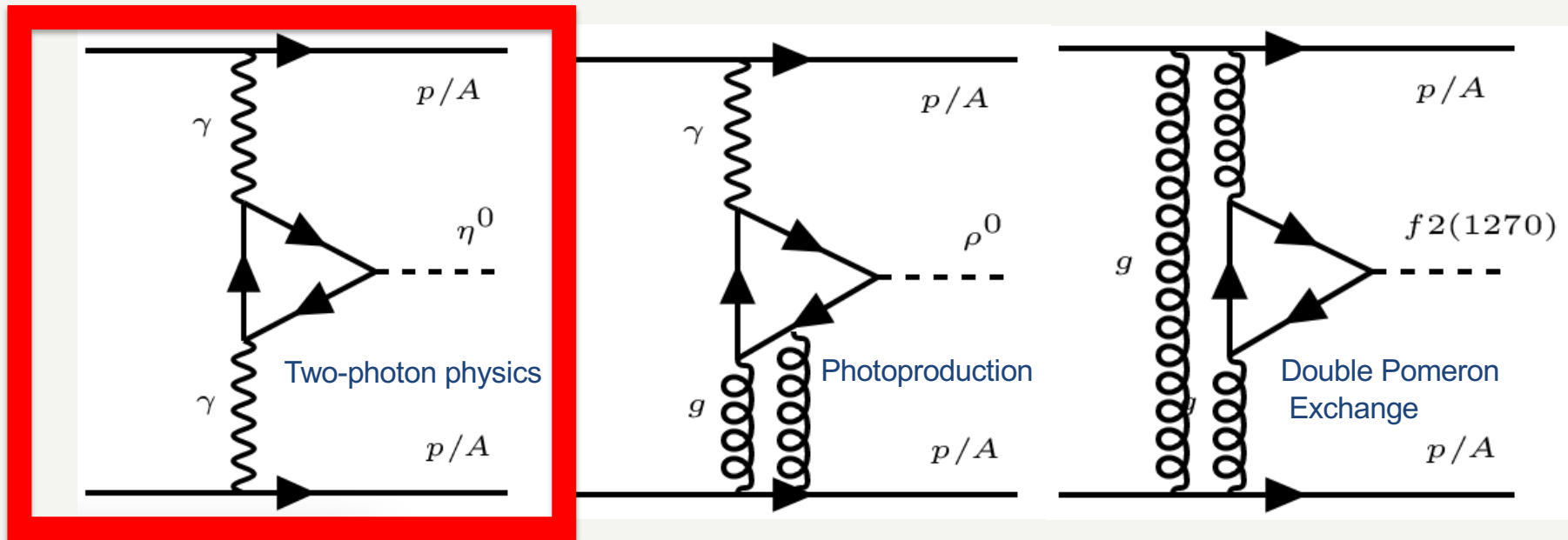
$$y(s) = \frac{4s(1-s)}{(X + \xi(1-2s))}.$$

J/ψ production in PbPb

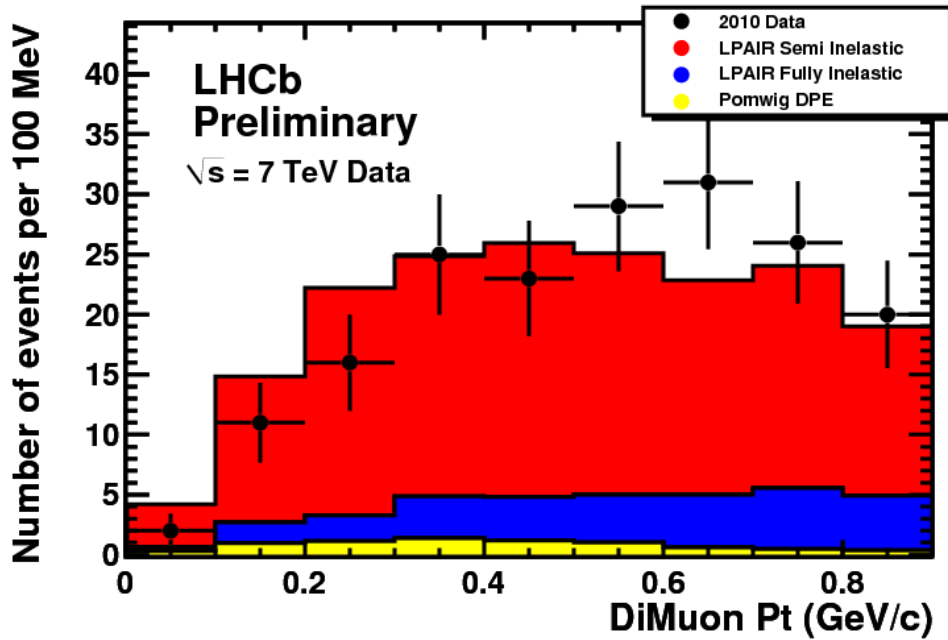
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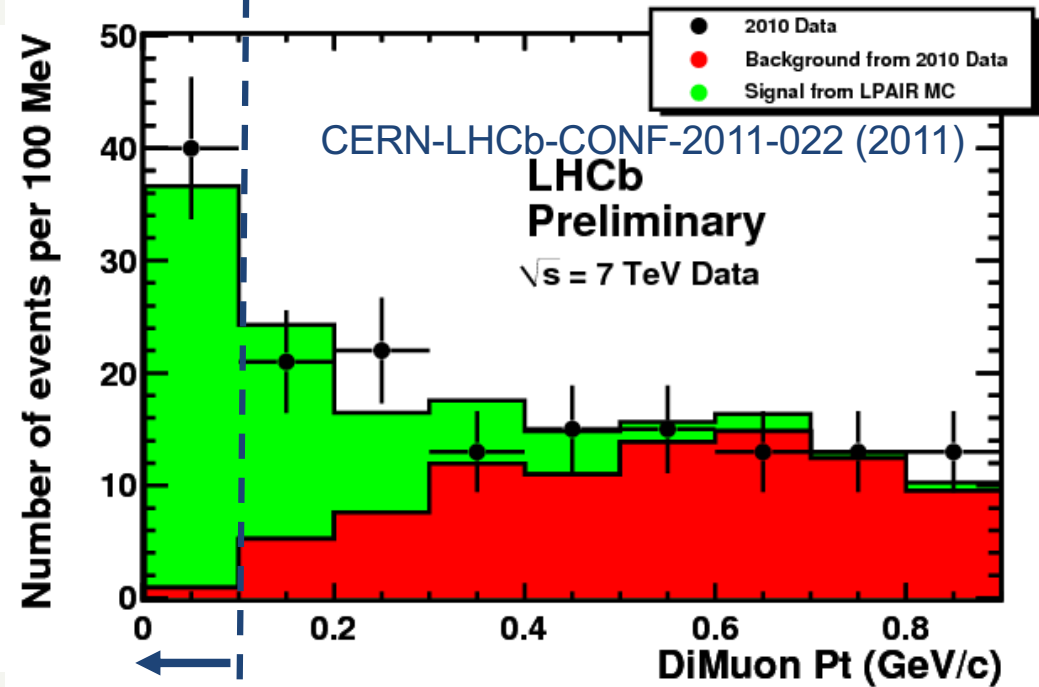


$$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu\mu \quad (m_{\mu\mu} > 2.5 \text{ GeV})$$



Shape for inelastic events

Note: this time we have simulation that predicts the shape for the three contributions.



Fit to signal events

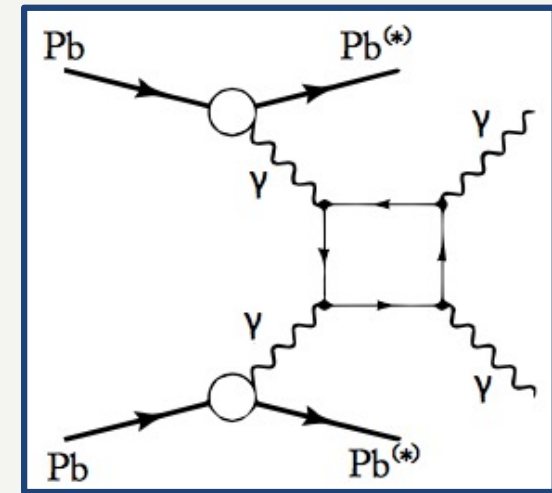
Background shape from data
 Signal shape from simulation.

Measured cross-section $\mu\mu\mu\mu$: $67 \pm 19 \text{ pb}$

LPAIR (J. Vermaseren) 42 pb

Light-by-light scattering

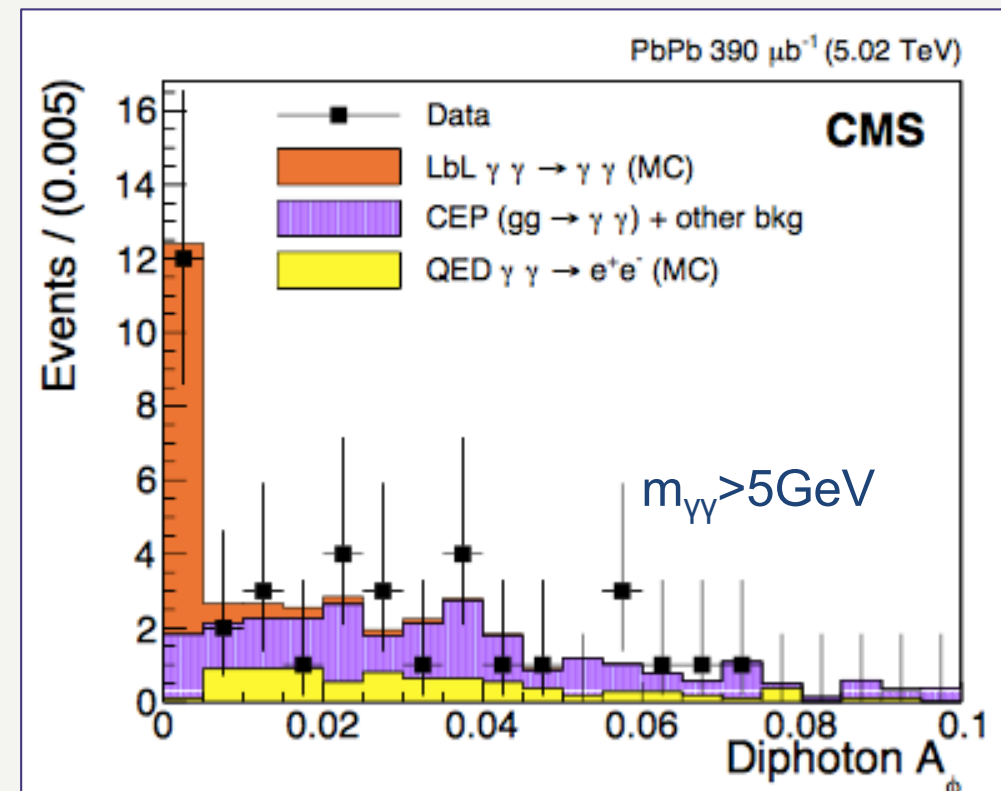
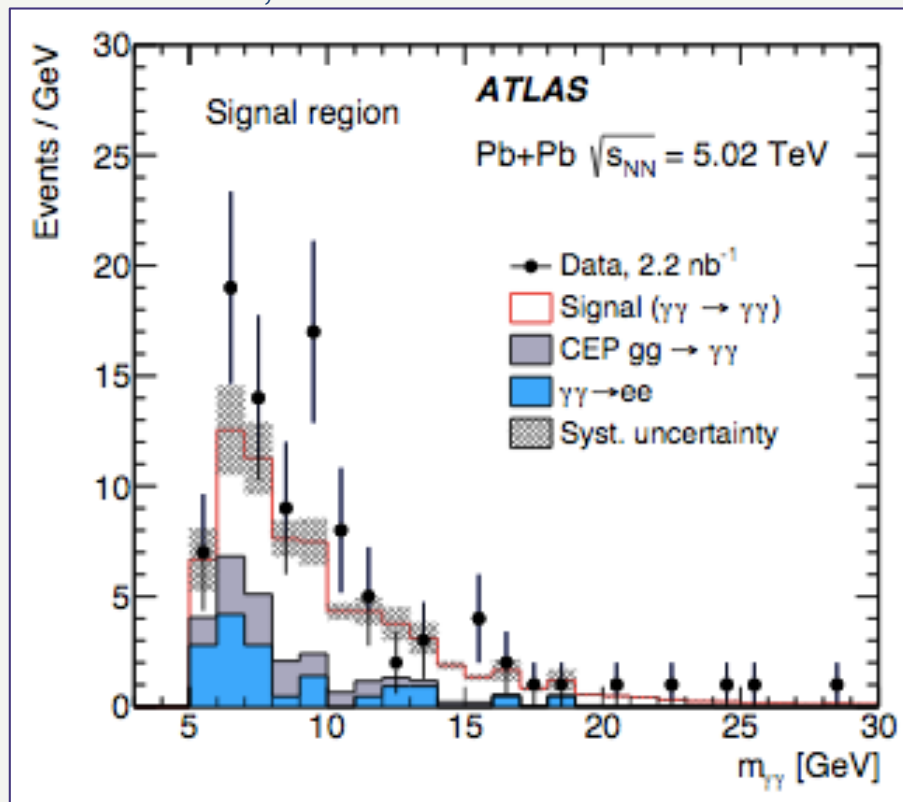
Forbidden in classical EM
Text-book illustration of QM



ATLAS collab., *Nature Physics* 13 (2017) 852

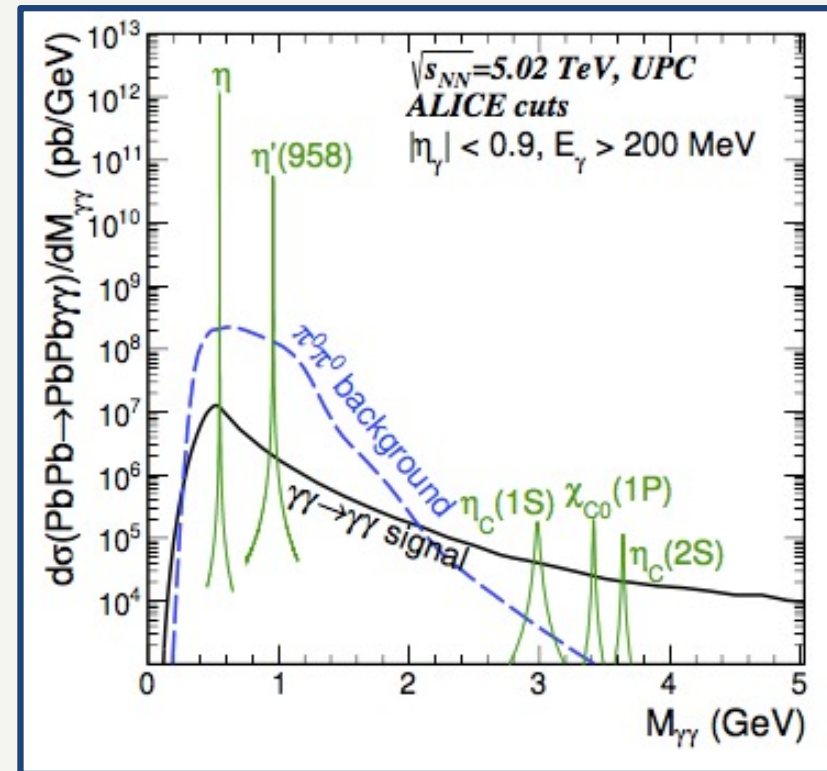
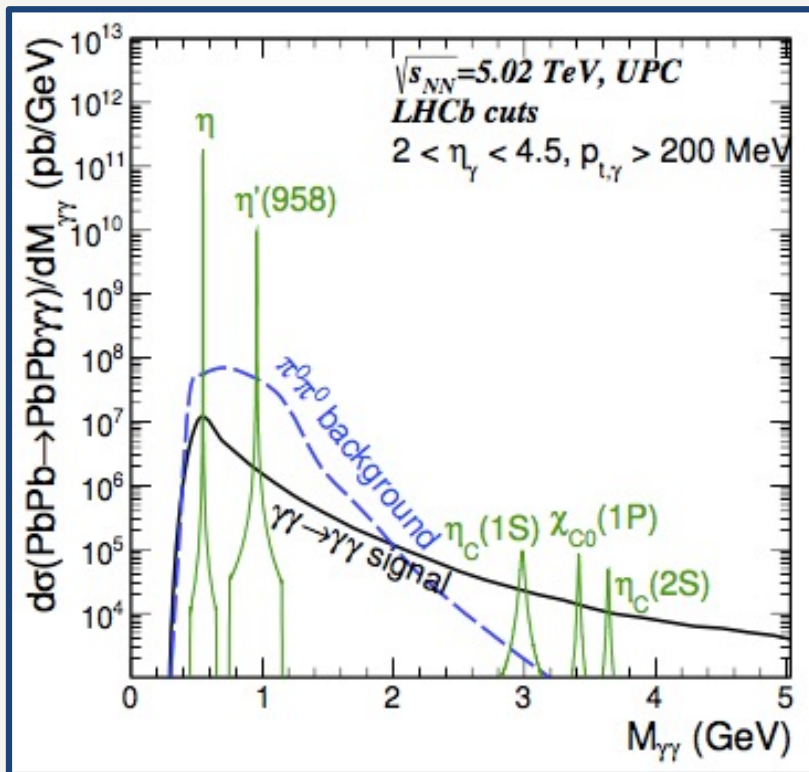
ATLAS collab., *arXiv: 2008.05355*

CMS collab., *Phys.Lett.B* 797 (2019) 134826



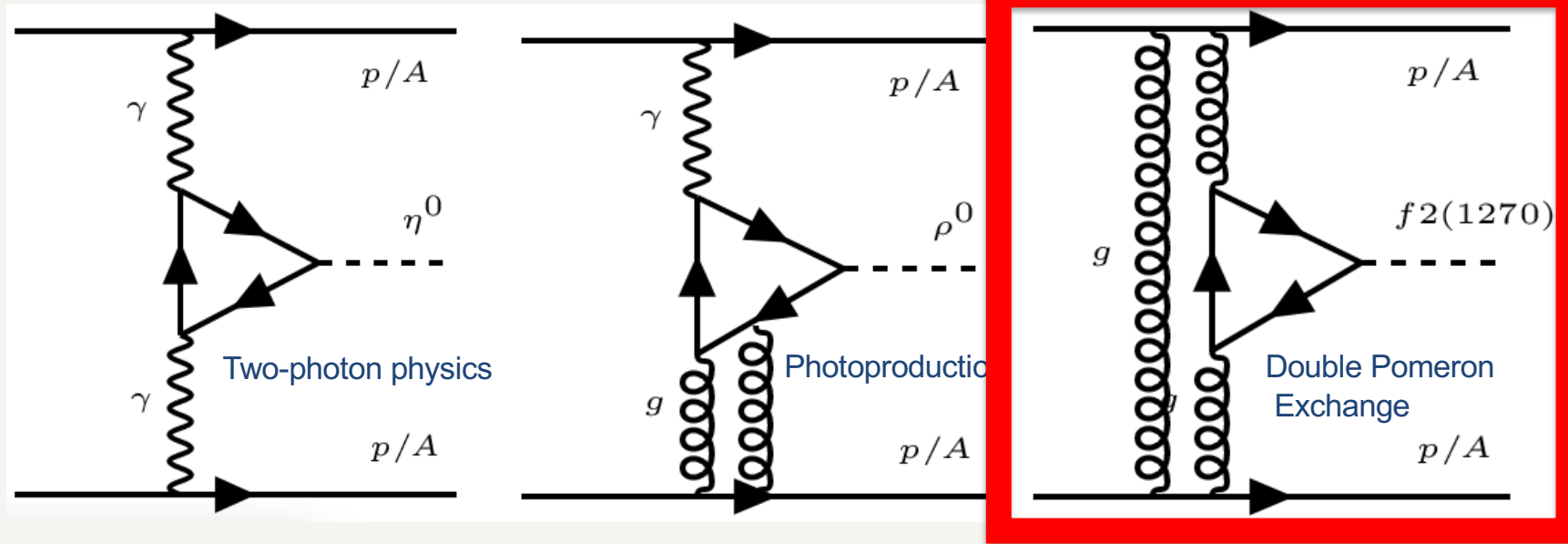
Light-by-light scattering

M. Klusek-Gawenda, R. McNulty, R. Schicker, A. Szczurek, *Phys.Rev. D99 (2019) no.9, 093013*



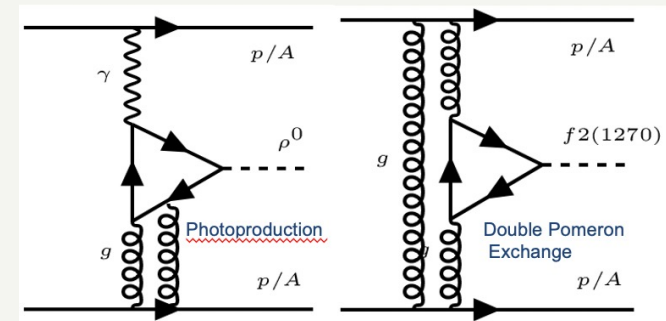
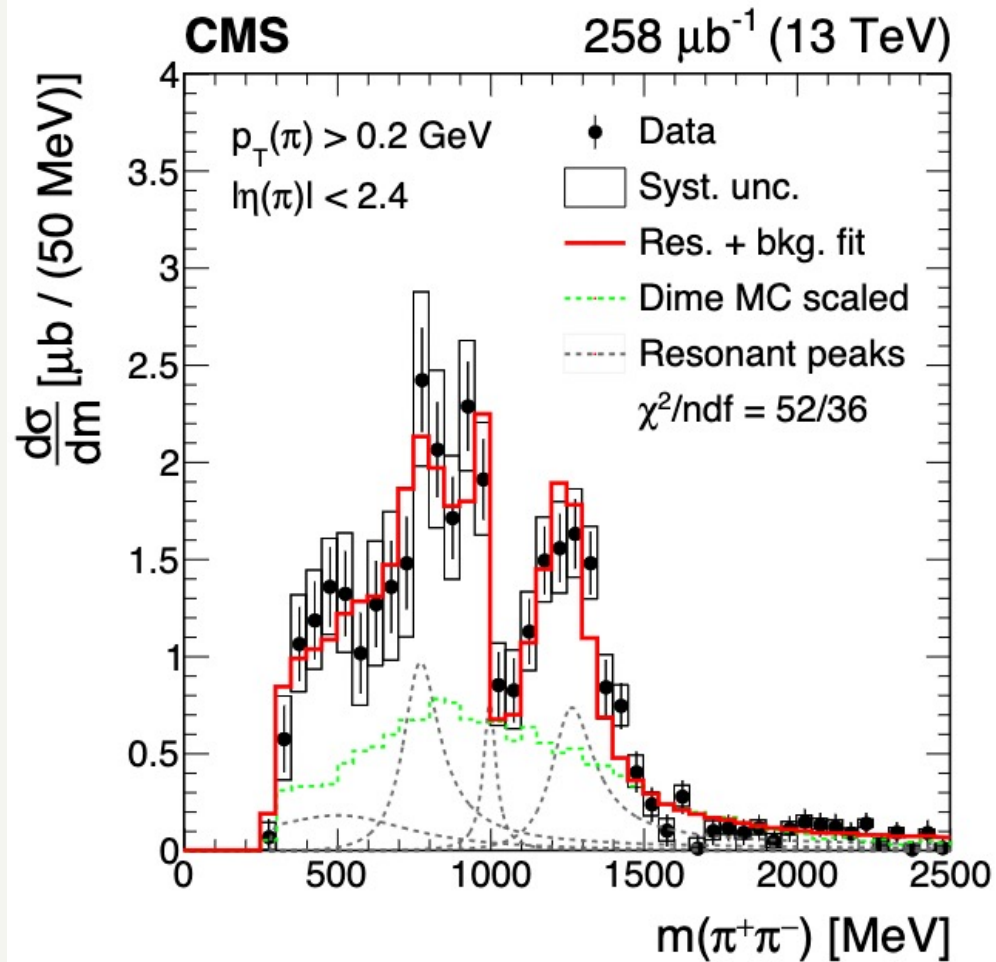
LHCb and ALICE have potential to observe this at low mass.
 Important in searches for new particle decaying to photons
 Also: Standard candles for η and f_2 production. Are these of interest?

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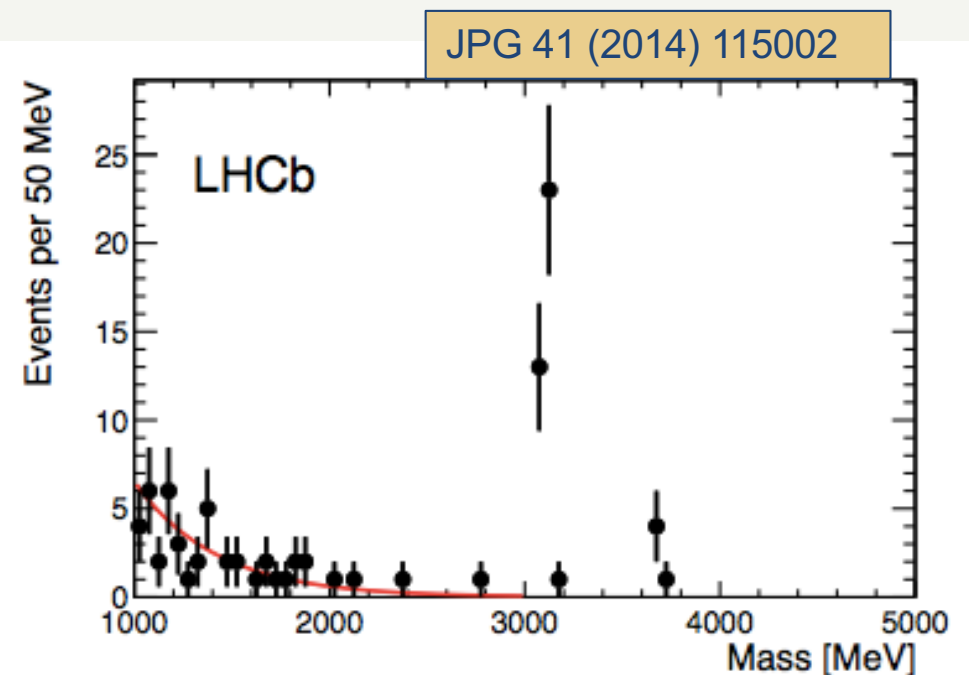
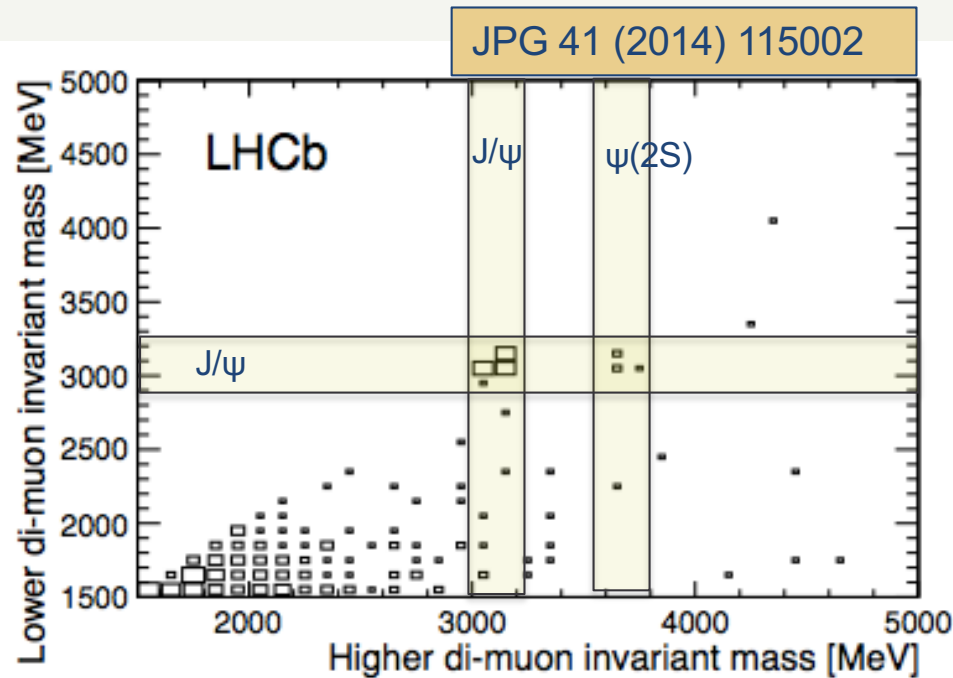


Double pomeron exchange

CMS, *Eur.Phys.J.C* 80 (2020) 8, 718



Tetraquarks, hybrids, glueballs



*Dimuon spectrum having required
other two muons have J/ψ mass*

Selection requirement:

Require precisely 4 tracks, at least three identified as muons



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Lack of evidence for an odderon at small t

A. Donnachie^a, P.V. Landshoff^b  

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The ReBB model and its $H(x)$ scaling version at 8 TeV: Odderon exchange is a certainty

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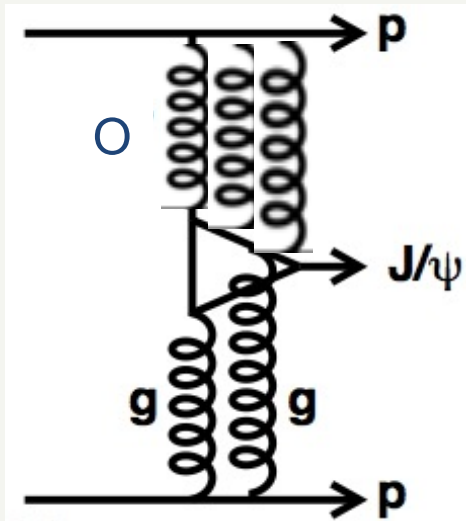
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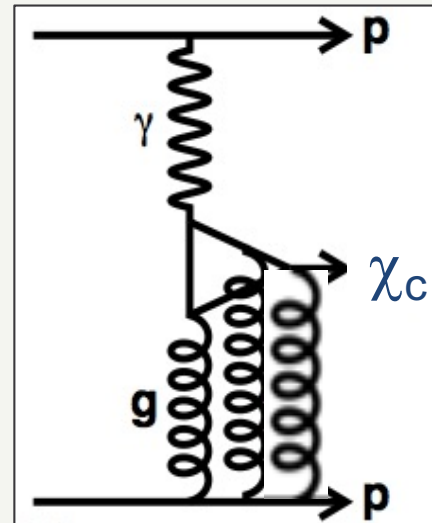
Odderon observation: explanations and answers to questions/objections regarding the PRL publication

Kenneth Österberg on behalf of the D0 and TOTEM collaborations

Odderon search in central production

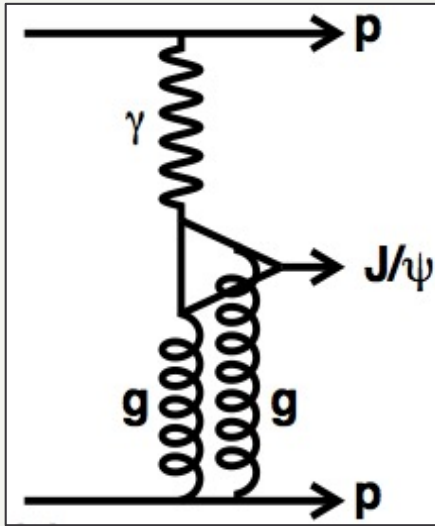


C-odd
meson



C-even
meson

Method 1: High p_T CEP of vector mesons.

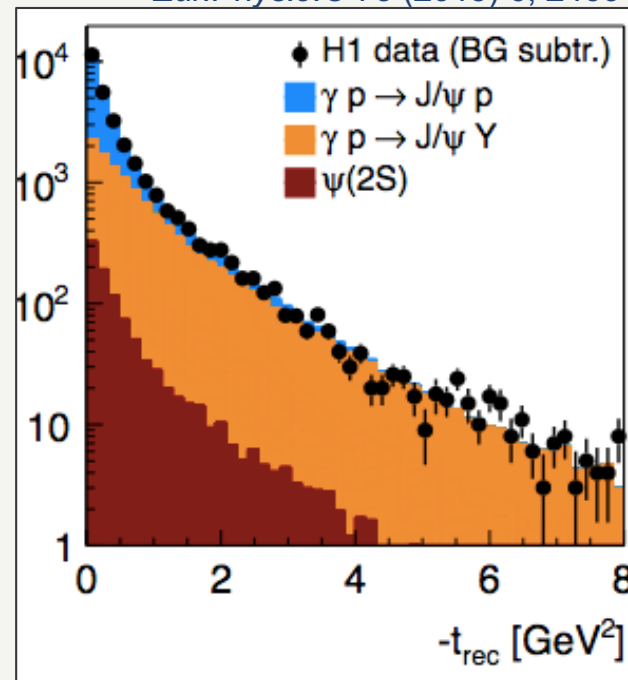


Photoproduction of J/ψ has been measured at HERA (γ from e), Tevatron and LHC (γ from p or A)

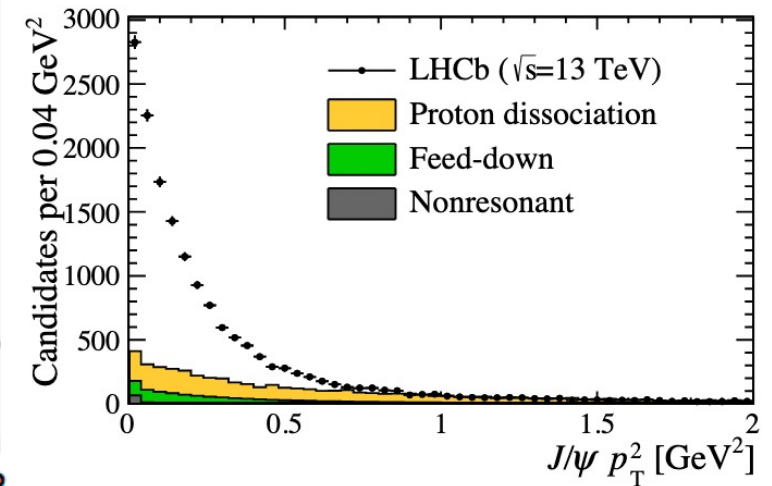
In Regge theory the momentum transfer through the Pomeron is usually modelled and the experimental data broadly supports this

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \sim e^{bt}$$

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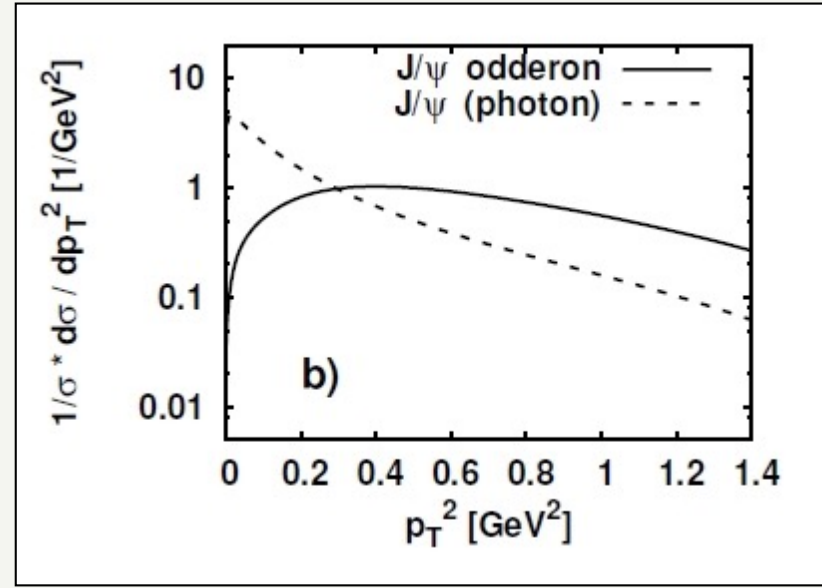
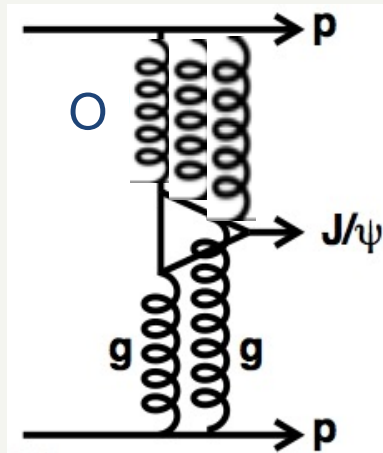


Note:

1. H1 required power-law to fit high p_T tail
2. Backgrounds dominate at high p_T

Method 1: High p_T CEP of vector mesons.

Replace $1-g$ with $1-O$



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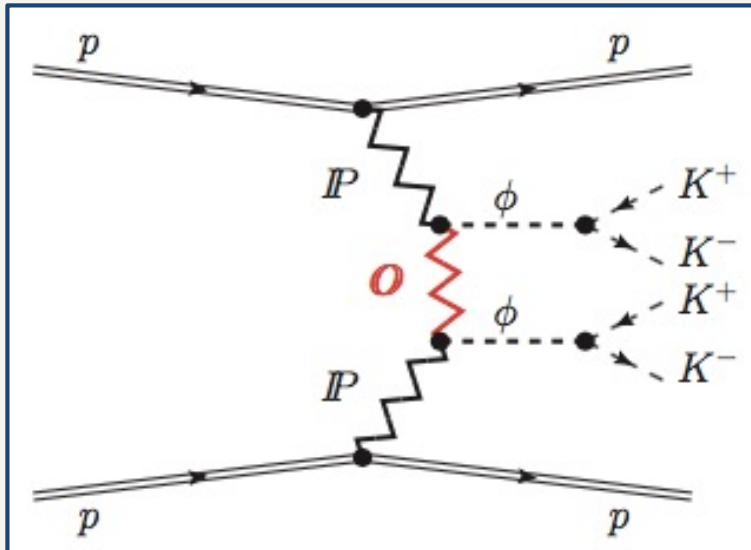
$d\sigma^{corr}/dy$	J/ψ		Υ	
	odderon	photon	odderon	photon
Tevatron	0.3–1.3–5 nb	0.8–5–9 nb	0.7–4–15 pb	0.8–5–9 pb
LHC	0.3–0.9–4 nb	2.4–15–27 nb	1.7–5–21 pb	5–31–55 pb

Odderon contribution might be 1-10% at LHC and would dominate at high p_T
 but experimentally **this is difficult to see**

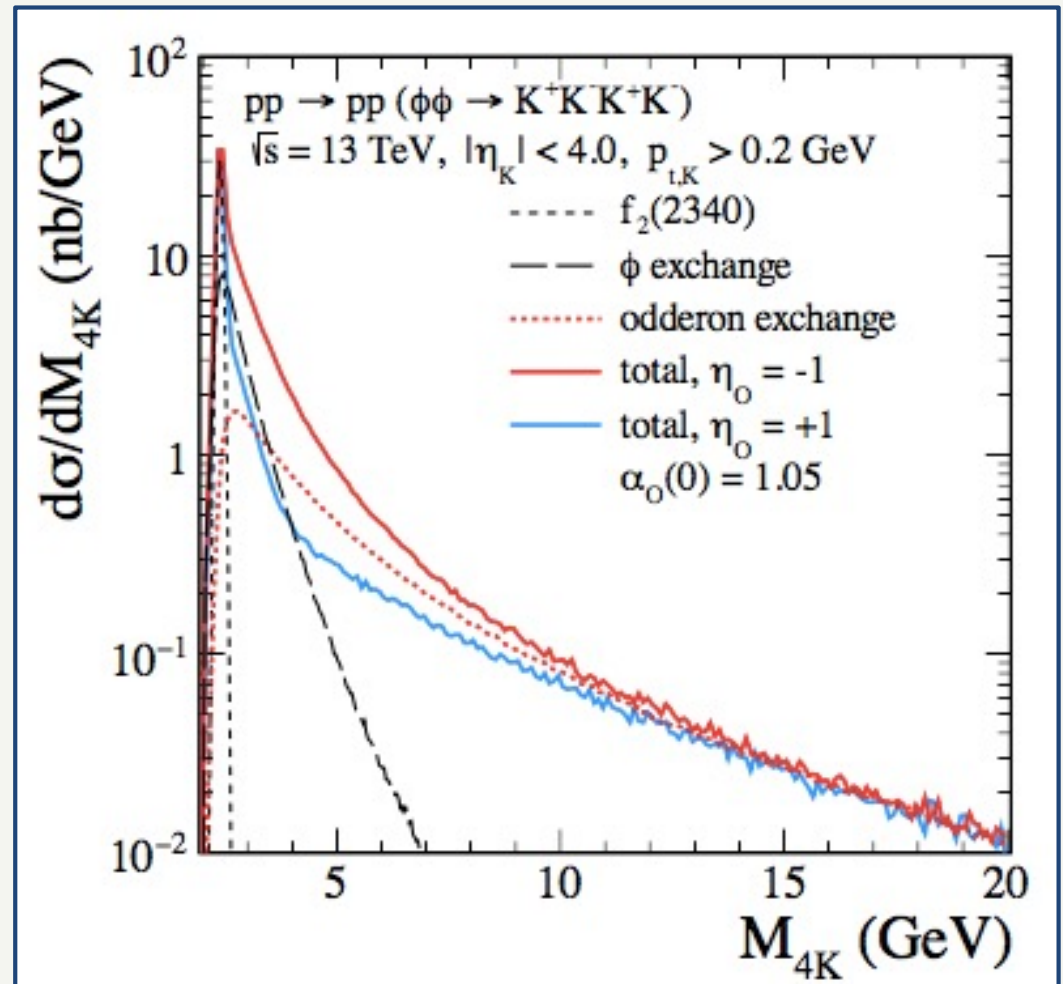
Angular distribution of muons due to polarisation may also differ (R. Schnicker)

Method 2: High mass CEP of VM pairs

Visible in high mass tail of $\phi\phi$?



An intriguing aspect of $\phi\phi$ is that it may have a contribution from odderon, visible at high mass.

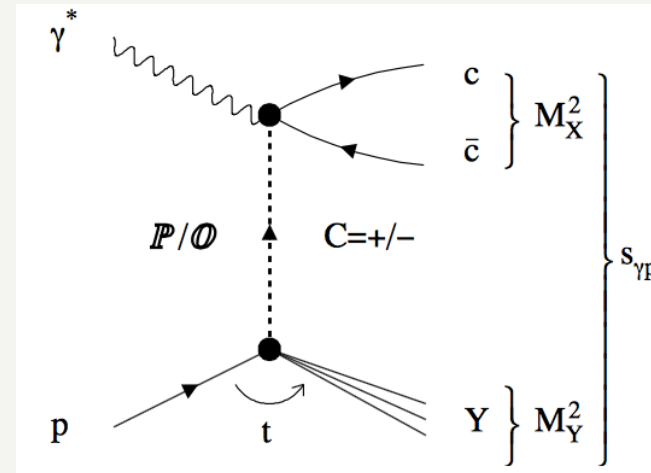


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Method 3: Interference C+/C-

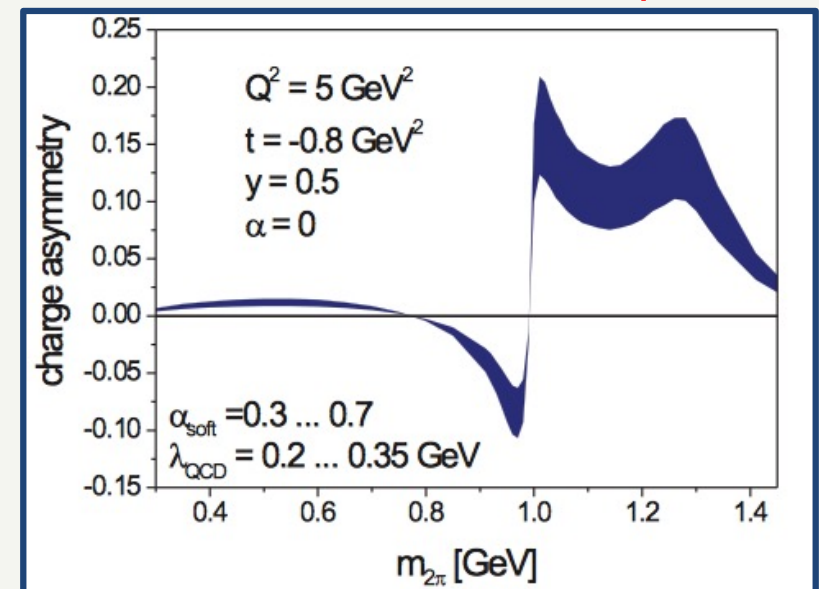
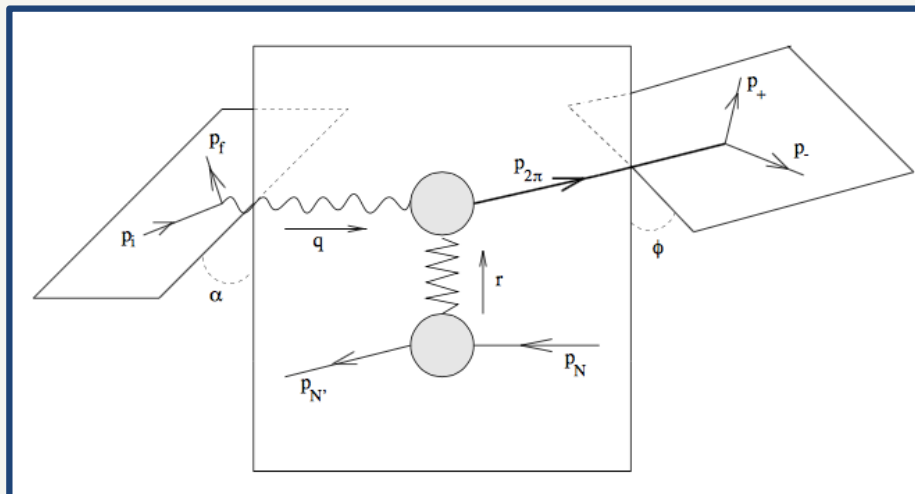
Interference of photoproduction processes

Brodsky, Rathsman, Merino, PLB461 (1998) 114.
 Hagler, Pire, Szymanowski, Teryaev, EPJ26 (2002) 261.
 Ginzburg, Ivanov, Nikolaev, EPJdirect 1 (2003) 1.
 Bolz, Ewerz, Maniatis, Nachtmann, Sauter,
 Schoening, JHEP 1501 (2015) 151.



$$A(Q^2, t, m_{2\pi}^2, y, \alpha) = \frac{\sum_{\lambda=+,-} \int \cos \theta d\sigma(s, Q^2, t, m_{2\pi}^2, y, \alpha, \theta, \lambda)}{\sum_{\lambda=+,-} \int d\sigma(s, Q^2, t, m_{2\pi}^2, y, \alpha, \theta, \lambda)} = \frac{\int d \cos \theta \cos \theta N_{charge}}{\int d \cos \theta D}$$

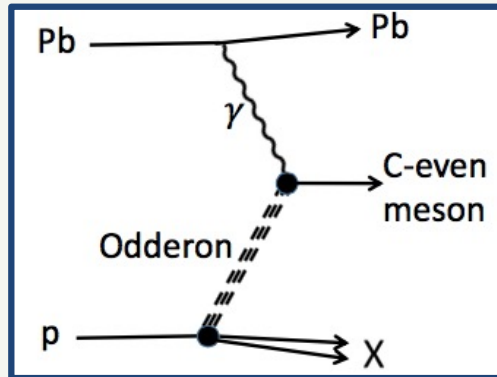
N.B. linear with amplitude



Need to tag outgoing proton to define production plane?

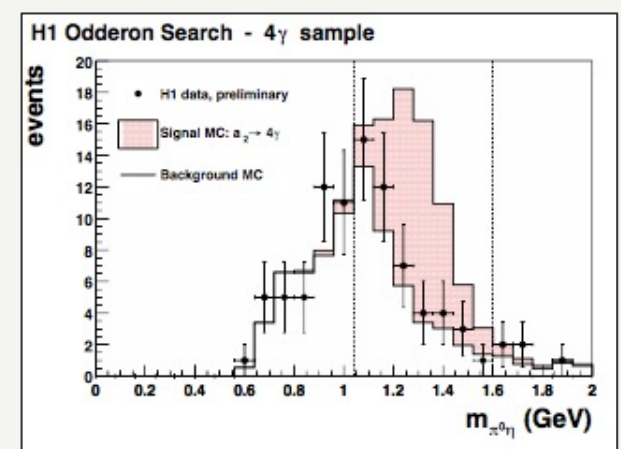
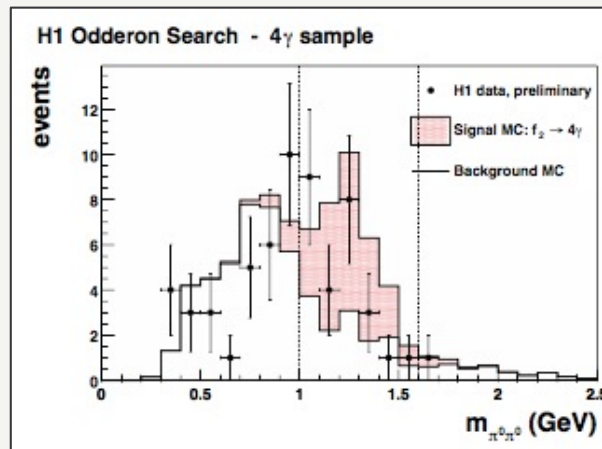
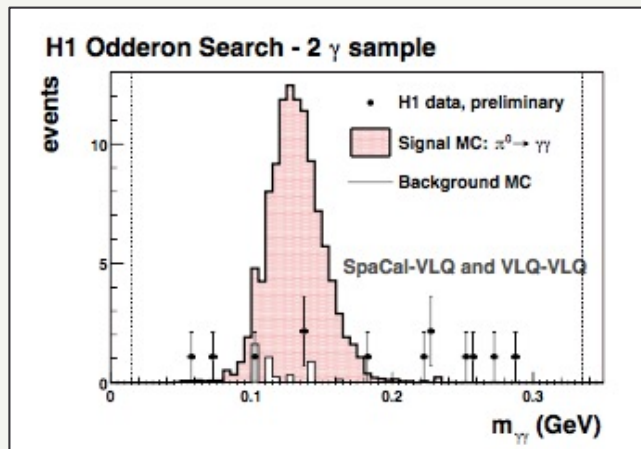
Method 4: Photoproduction of C+

Search in CEP photoproduction where quantum numbers inconsistent with pomeron



Czyzewski, Kwiecinski, Motyka, PLB398 (1997) 400.
 Berger, Donnachie, Dosch, Kilian, Nachtmann, EPJ C9 (1999) 491.
 Ryskin EPJ C2 (1998) 339.
 Kilian & Nachtmann, EPJ C5 (1998) 317.
 Harland-Lang, Khoze, Martin, Ryskin PRD 99 (2019) 3, 034011

Acta Phys. Polon. B33, 3499 (2002). (Conference proceeding.)



Direct observation at LHC?

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$d\sigma/dy|_{y=0}$ for Pbp collisions

C-even meson (M)	Odderon Signal		Backgrounds		
	Upper Limit	QCD Prediction	$\gamma\gamma$	Pomeron-Pomeron	$V \rightarrow M + \gamma$
π^0	7.4	0.1 - 1	0.044	–	30
$f_2(1270)$	3	0.05 - 0.5	0.020	3 - 4.5	0.02
$\eta(548)$	3.4	0.05 - 0.5	0.042	negligible	3
η_c	–	$(0.1 - 0.5) \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.0025	$\sim 10^{-5}$	0.012

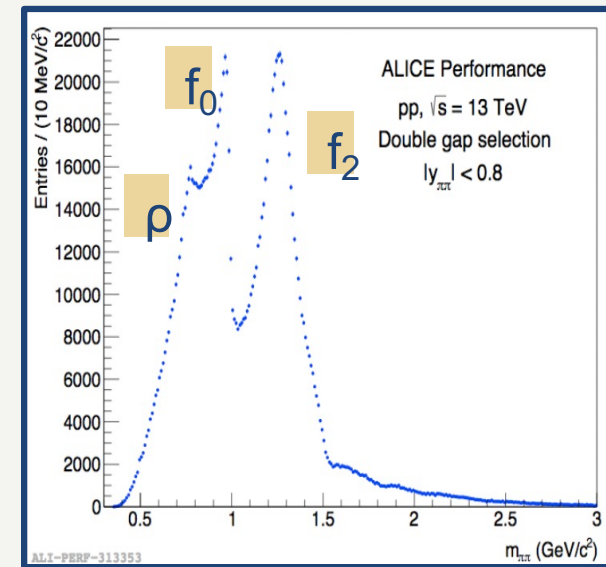
Note: Background processes are always much bigger

Which modes can provide significant signal?
How can you be sure any excess is due to odderon?

Go forward

Photoproduction of C+ meson

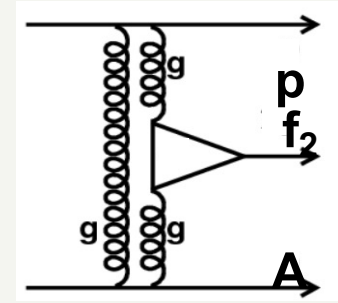
- To enhance the photon flux consider heavy ion collisions
 - Proton-ion (pA)
 - Ion-ion (AA*)
- Compared to pp collisions:
 - SIGNAL: For Pb, photon flux is $\sim Z^2=6700$ greater and **strongly peaked to backward rapidities**
 - Pomeron-pomeron BKG: cross-section is factor 2-5 greater than for protons
 - $\gamma\gamma$ BKG: Z^2 enhanced in pA. Z^4 in AA! (Z^2 in AA*)



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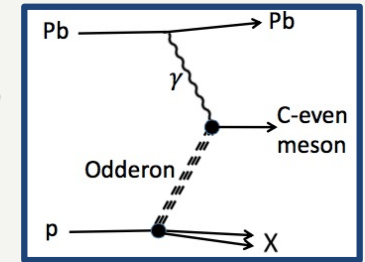
Key idea

C+ mesons dominantly produced by Double Pomeron Exchange: roughly flat with rapidity

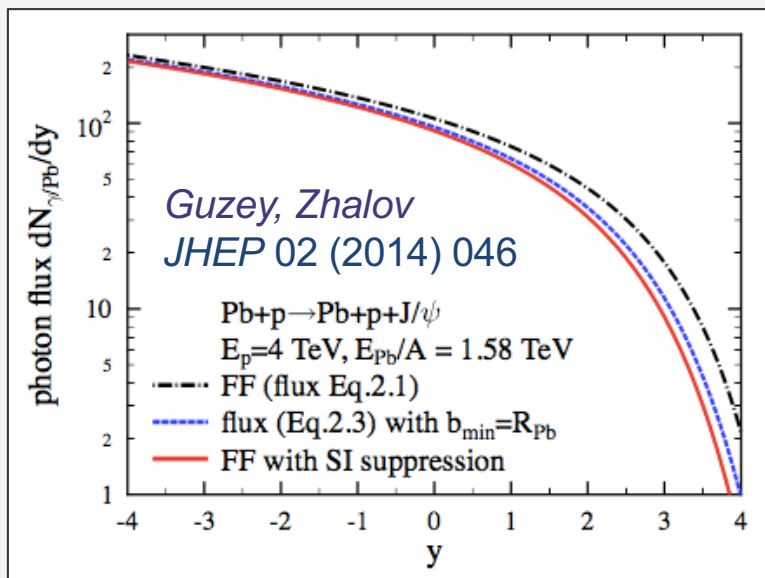


SIGNAL PROCESS:

C+ production by photoproduction is peaked towards low rapidities due to energy dependence of photon flux



$$\begin{array}{l}
 Ap \rightarrow A + f_2 + p \\
 AA^* \rightarrow A + f_2 + A^*
 \end{array}
 \rightarrow
 \frac{d\sigma_{\text{Odd}}}{dy} = \frac{dN}{dy} \sigma_{\text{Odd}}(\gamma D \rightarrow f_2 D)
 \rightarrow
 \begin{array}{l}
 \gamma p \rightarrow f_2 + p \\
 \gamma A \rightarrow f_2 + A^*
 \end{array}$$



$$x = M_\nu e^{-y}$$

$$\frac{d^3 N_\gamma}{dx d^2 b_\gamma} = \frac{Z^2 \alpha^{\text{QED}}}{x \pi^2 b_\gamma^2} (x m_n b_\gamma)^2 K_1^2(x m_n b_\gamma)$$

$b > R_A + R_p$ for pA
 $b > 2R_A$ for AA

Results for p-Pb collisions

Pomeron-Pomeron production is flat and scaled to p-p results
(CMS arXiv:1706.08310)

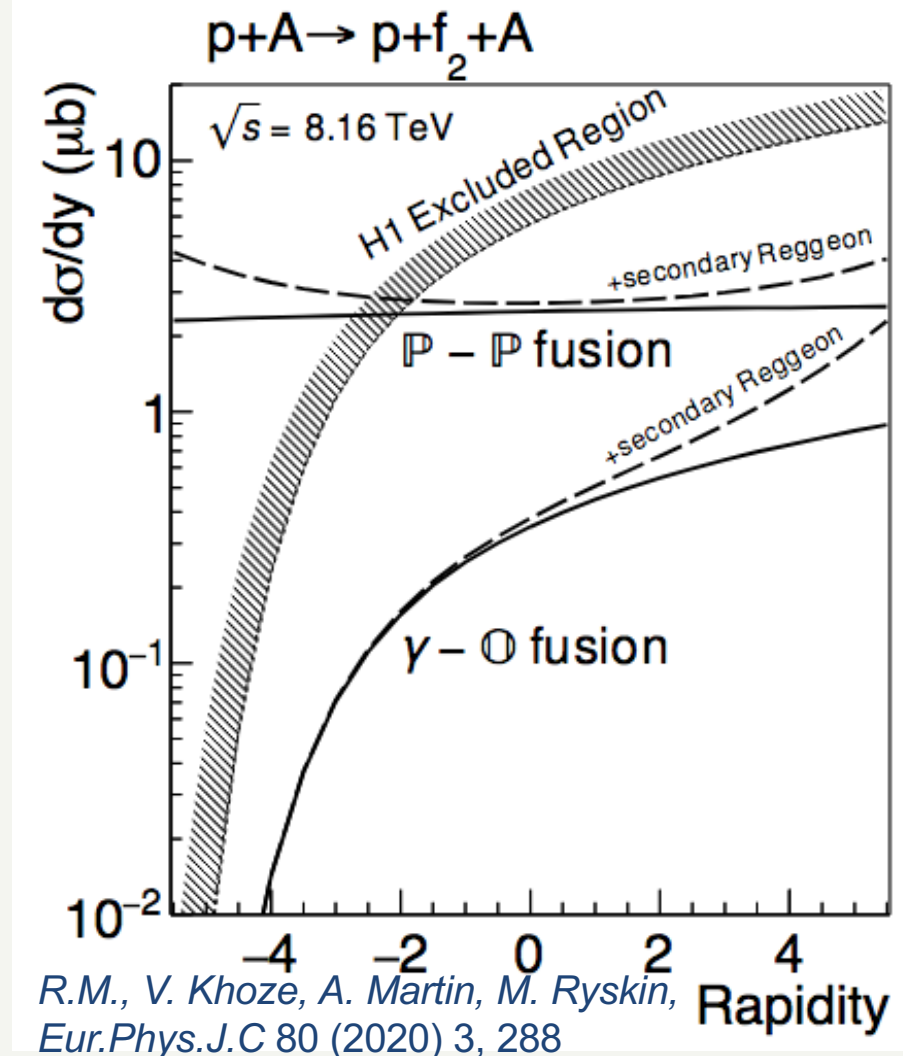
Gamma-Odderon is forward peaked.
Value unknown. Assume nominal
1nb photoproduction cross-section.

The excluded region comes from
preliminary H1 result
(Acta Phys. Polon. B33, 3499 (2002))

Greater sensitivity than previous
result.

An excess of events would be seen,
but only in the forward region
i.e. for LHCb in pA and not Ap.

Distinctive signature



Results for (incoherent) AA* collisions

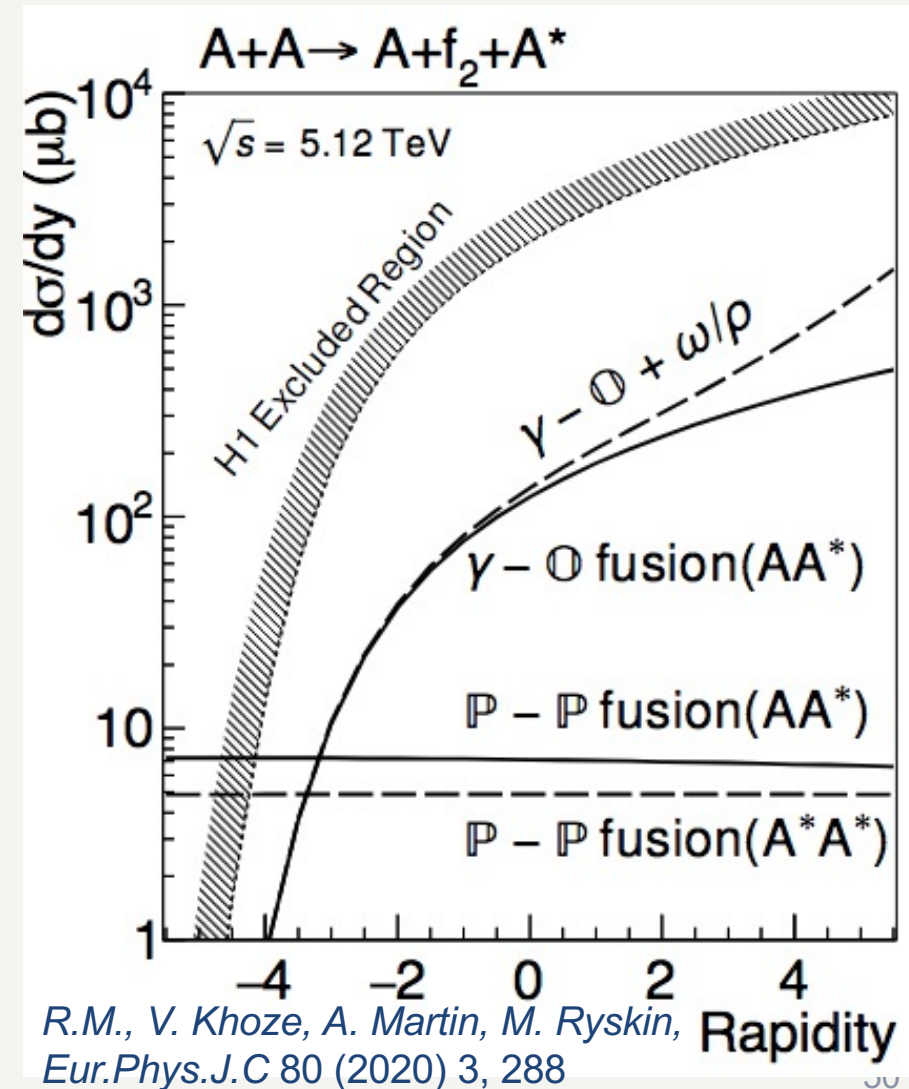
Pomeron-Pomeron production is flat and scaled to p-p results

Gamma-Odderon is forward peaked but **one needs to know which ion emitted the photon**. Detecting break-up allows us do this.

1nb photoproduction cross-section assumed again.

Cross-section is ~ factor 100 greater than in pA. However, luminosity at LHC for AA is ~ factor 100 lower.

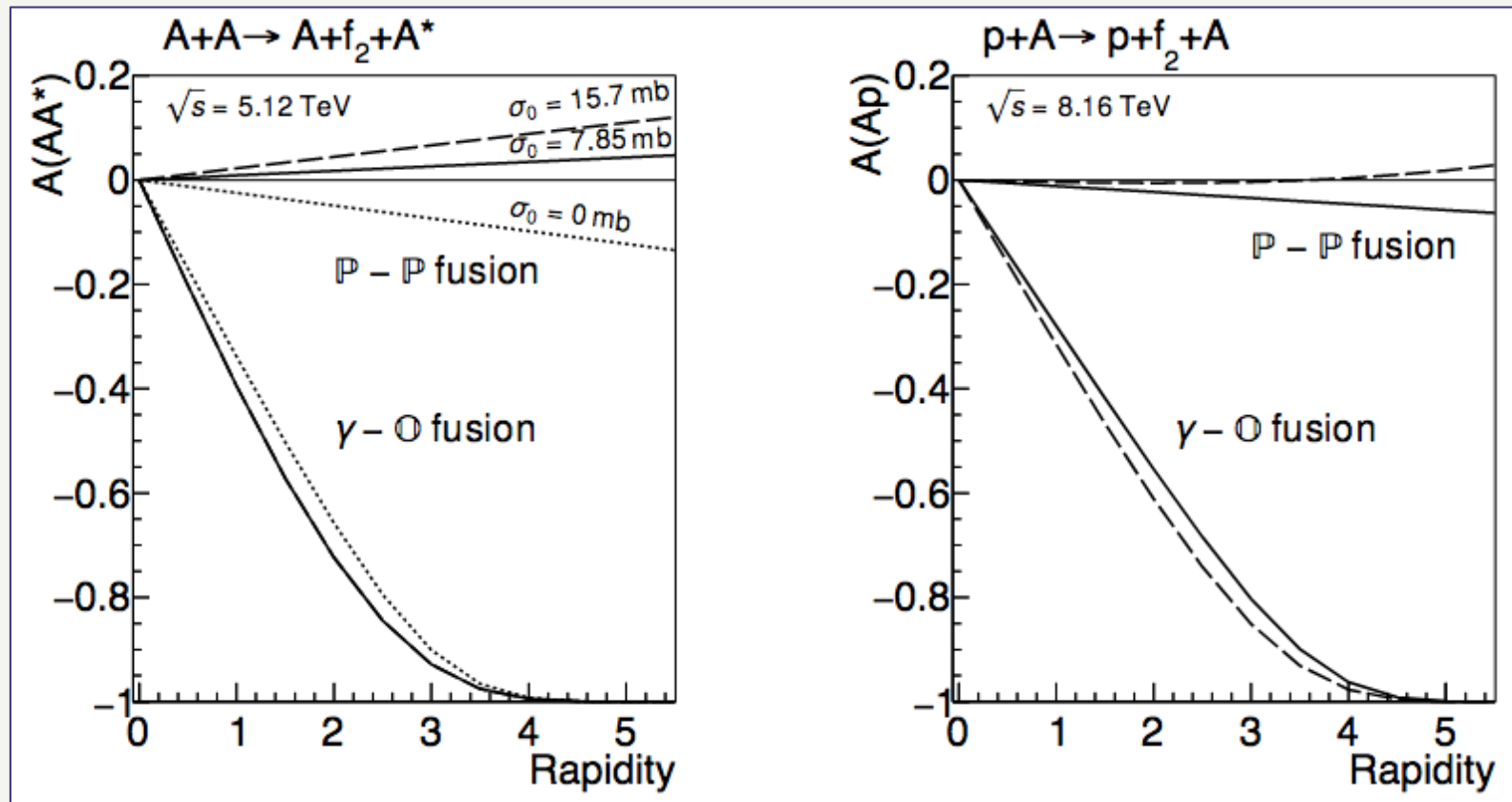
Relative background is **much lower** than in pA collisions.



Asymmetry

$$A(Ap) = \frac{\sigma(pA) - \sigma(Ap)}{\sigma(pA) + \sigma(Ap)}$$

$$A(AA^*) = \frac{\sigma(A^*A) - \sigma(AA^*)}{\sigma(A^*A) + \sigma(AA^*)}$$



Asymmetry in pA/Ap would be most clearly seen in forward/backward detectors.
 Note: LHC has runs where they swap the direction of the projectiles

Asymmetry in AA requires you 'tag' the photon emitter: the ion that doesn't break

Conclusions

- Rich physics
 - QCD v Regge Theory and transition from perturbative to non-perturbative regimes
 - PDF extraction
 - nuclear suppression
 - meson spectroscopy
 - exotica: tetraquarks, glueballs
 - saturation
 - dark photon searches
 - odderon searches
- Separation of different processes requires better understanding of break-up process.