

# A Fixed-Target Experiment (AFTER) using the LHC beams



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### Abstract

We outline the many physics opportunities offered by a multi-purpose fixed-target experiment using the proton and lead-ion beams of the LHC extracted by a bent crystal. In a proton run with the LHC 7-TeV beam, one can analyze  $pp$ ,  $pd$  and  $pA$  collisions at center-of-mass energy  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \approx 115$  GeV and even higher using the Fermi motion of the nucleons in a nuclear target. In a lead run with a 2.76 TeV-per-nucleon beam,  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$  is as high as 72 GeV. Bent crystals can be used to extract about  $5 \times 10^8$  protons/sec; the integrated luminosity over a year reaches  $0.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  on a typical 1 cm-long target without nuclear species limitation. We emphasize that such an extraction mode does not alter the performance of the collider experiments at the LHC. By instrumenting the target-rapidity region, gluon and heavy-quark distributions of the proton and the neutron can be accessed at large  $x$  and even at  $x$  larger than unity in the nuclear case. Single diffractive physics and, for the first time, the large negative- $x_F$  domain can be accessed. The nuclear target-species versatility provides a unique opportunity to study nuclear matter versus the features of the hot and dense matter formed in heavy-ion collisions, including the formation of the quark-gluon plasma, which can be studied in  $pA$  collisions over the full range of target-rapidity domain with a large variety of nuclei. The polarization of hydrogen and nuclear targets allows an ambitious spin program, including measurements of the QCD lensing effects which underlie the Sivers single-spin asymmetry, the study of transversity distributions and possibly of polarized parton distributions. We also emphasize the potential offered by  $pA$  ultra-peripheral collisions where the nucleus target  $A$  is used as a coherent photon source, mimicking photoproduction processes in  $ep$  collisions. Finally, we note that  $W$  and  $Z$  bosons can be produced and detected in a fixed-target experiment and in their threshold domain for the first time, providing new ways to probe the partonic content of the proton and the nucleus.

**Keywords:** LHC beam, fixed-target experiment

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- **Idea: use LHC beams on fixed target**
  - 7 TeV proton beam ( $\sqrt{s} \sim 115$  GeV)
    - p+H, p+A
  - 2.76 TeV Pb beam ( $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 72$  GeV)
    - Pb+A, Pb+H
- **High boost and luminosity give access to the QCD at large  $x = [0.3-1]$** 
  - Nucleon partonic structure
  - Spin physics
  - Nuclear shadowing
  - Quark Gluon Plasma
  - W/Z production near threshold
  - Other ?
- **Multi-purpose experiment**

# Proton structure: our current knowledge

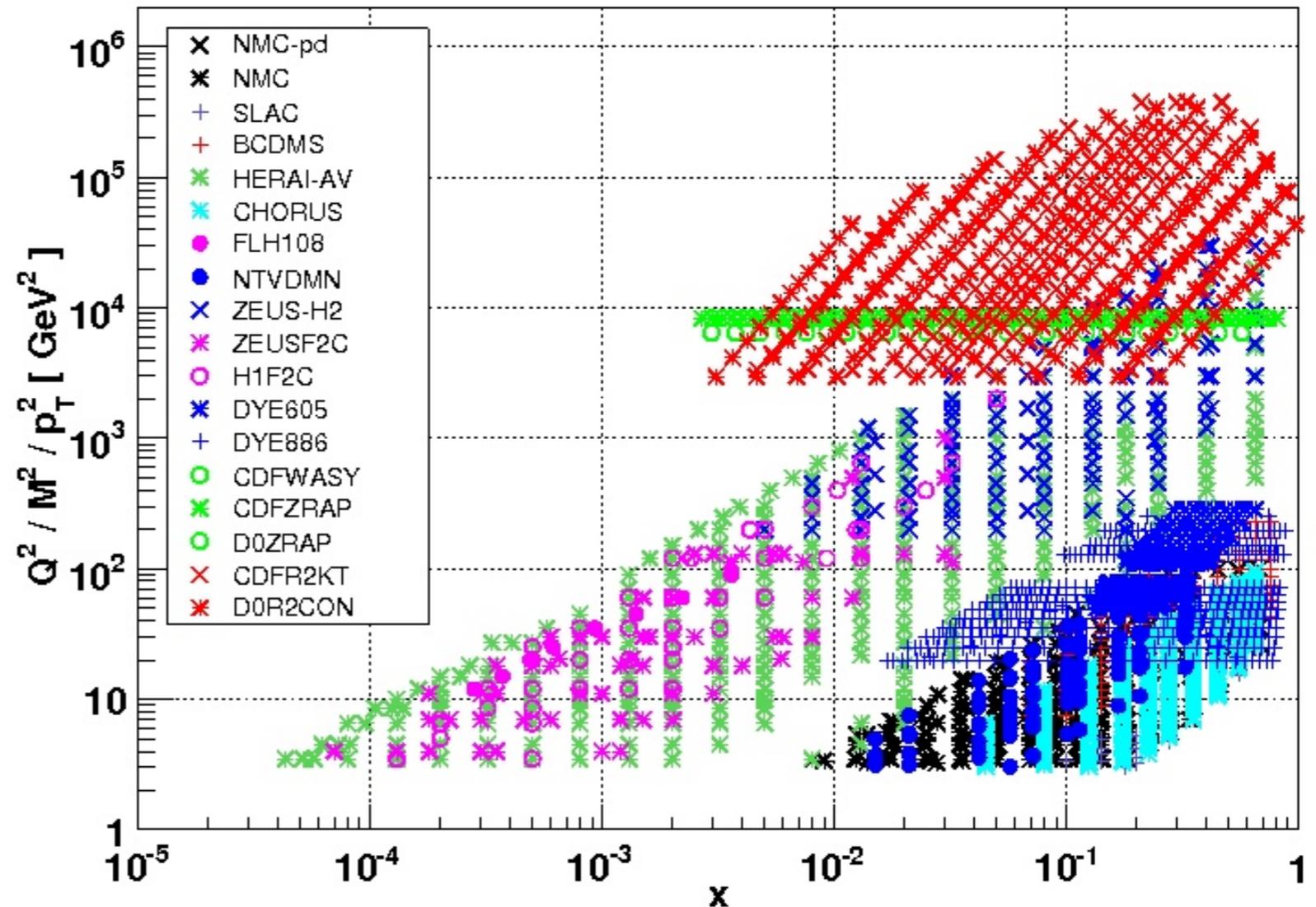
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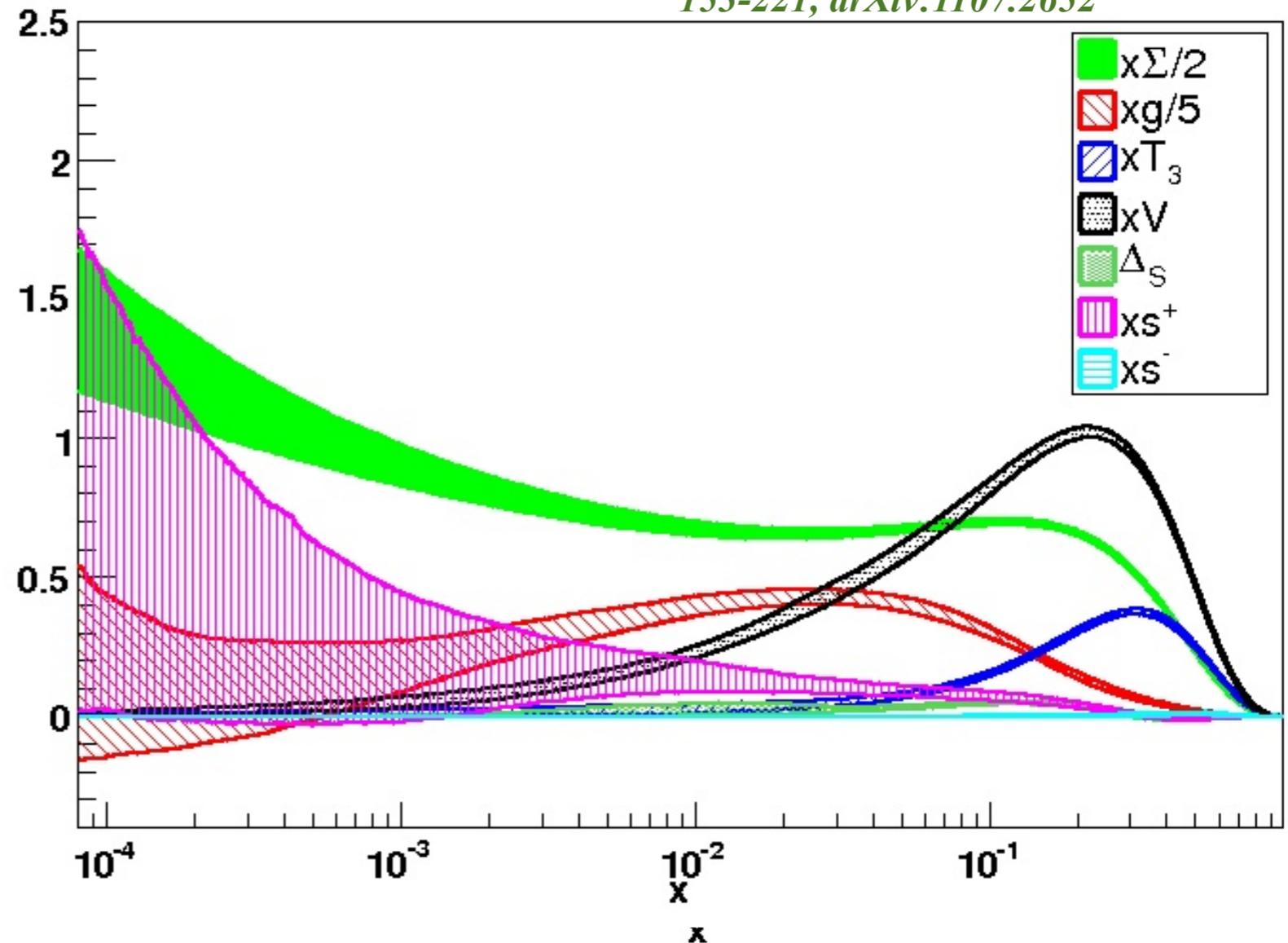
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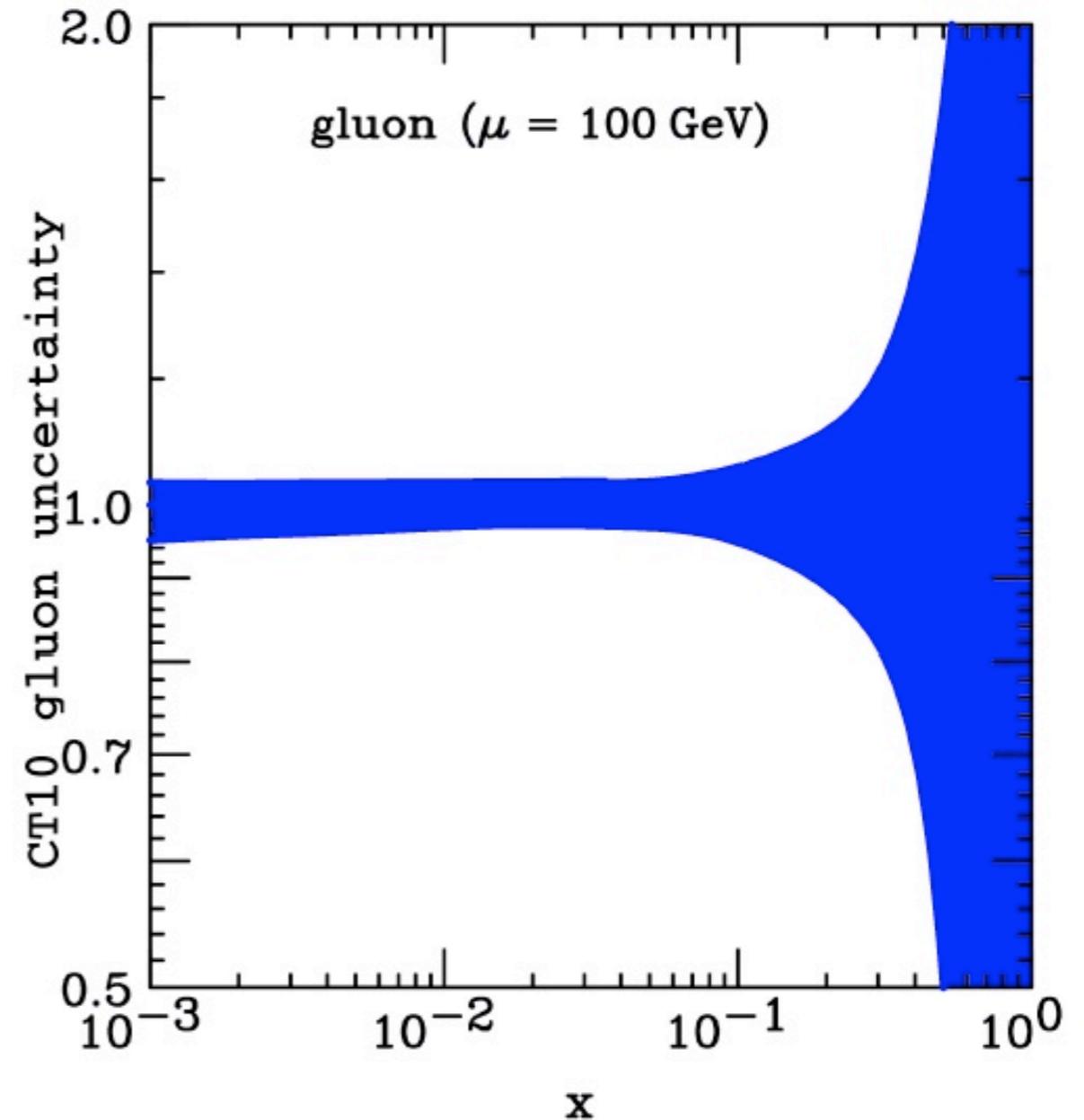
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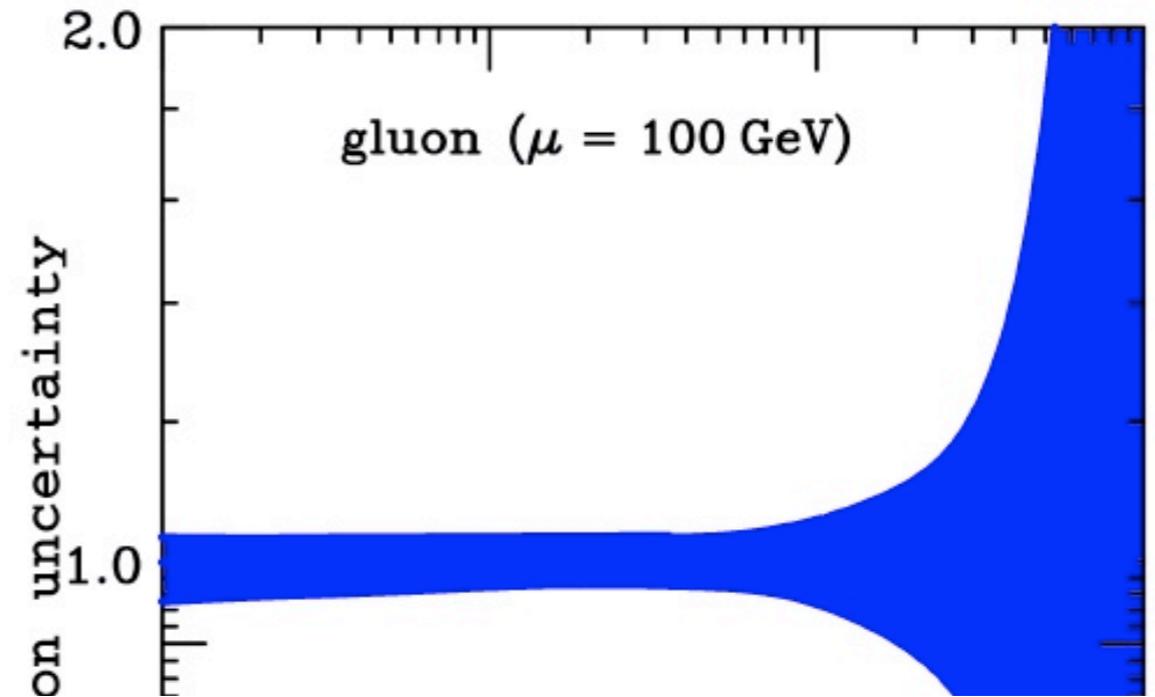
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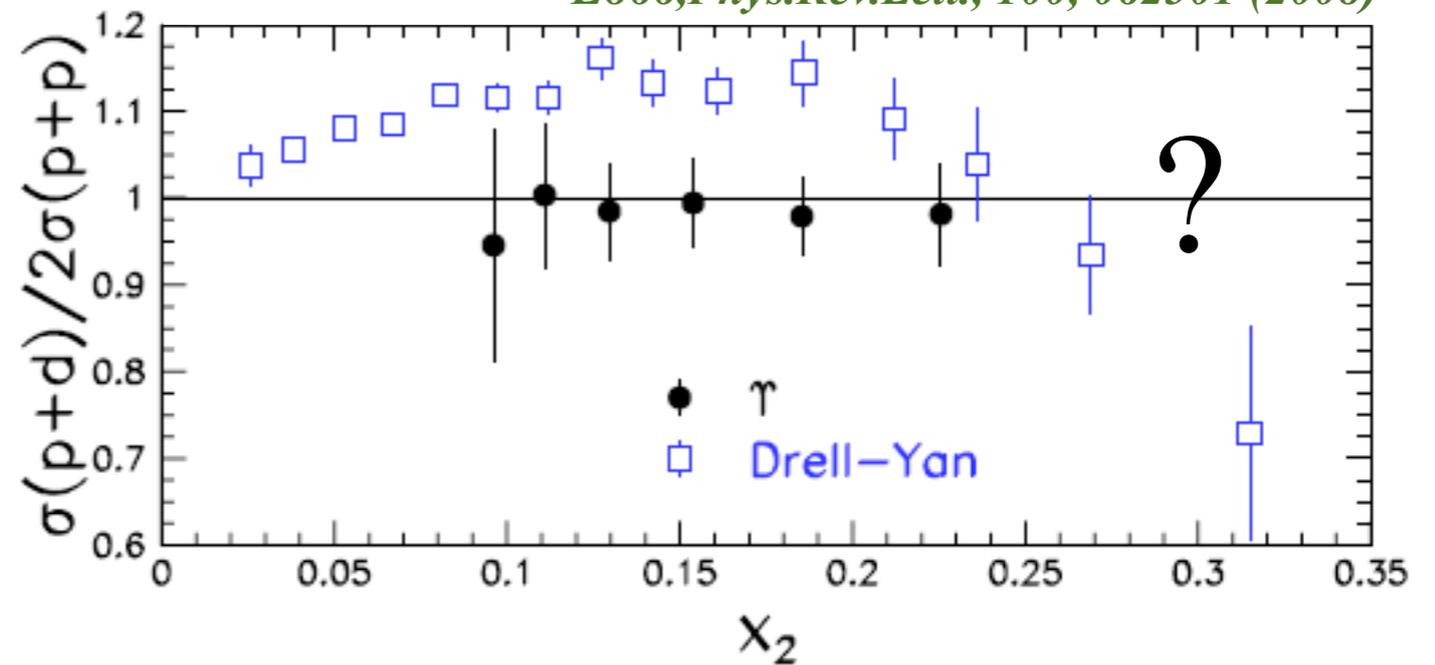
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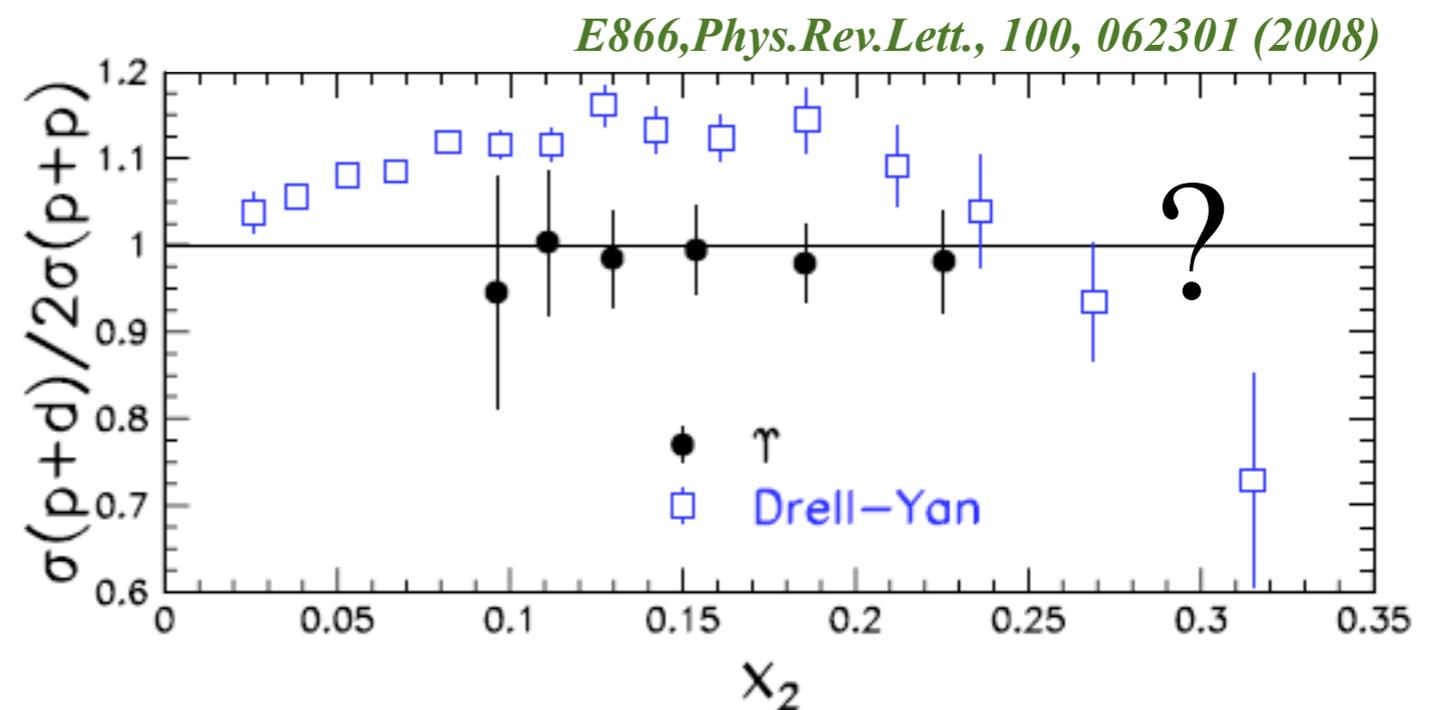
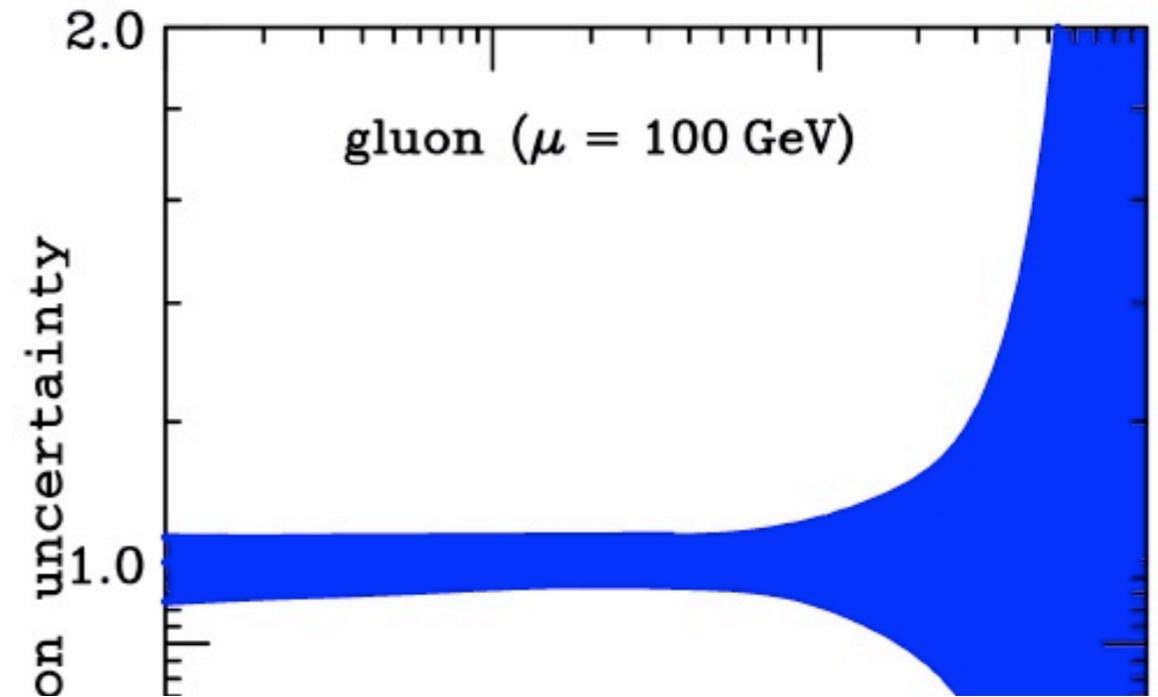
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- **Target versatility**

- Hydrogen
- Deuteron (neutron)

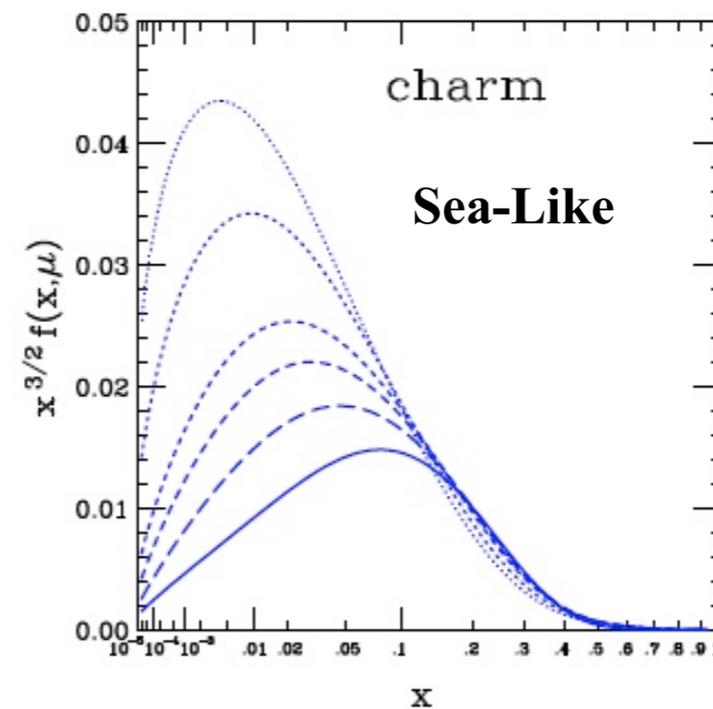
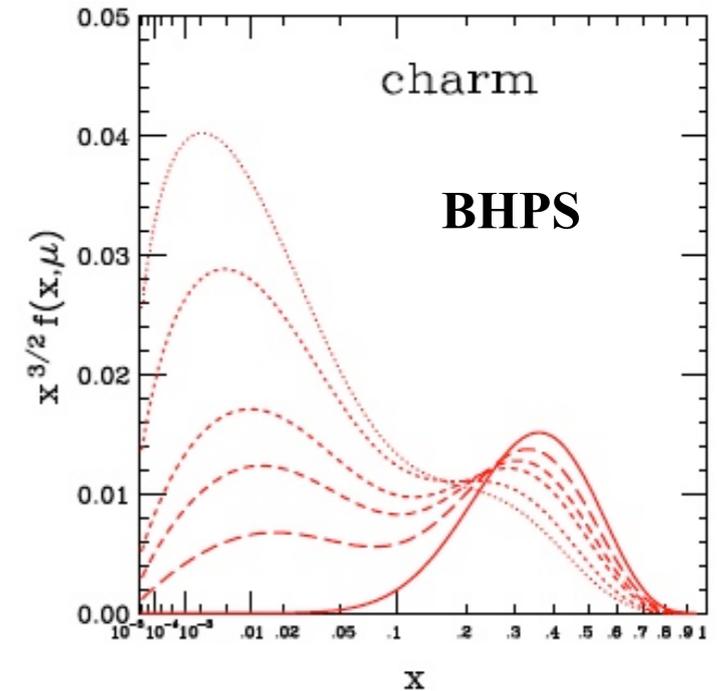
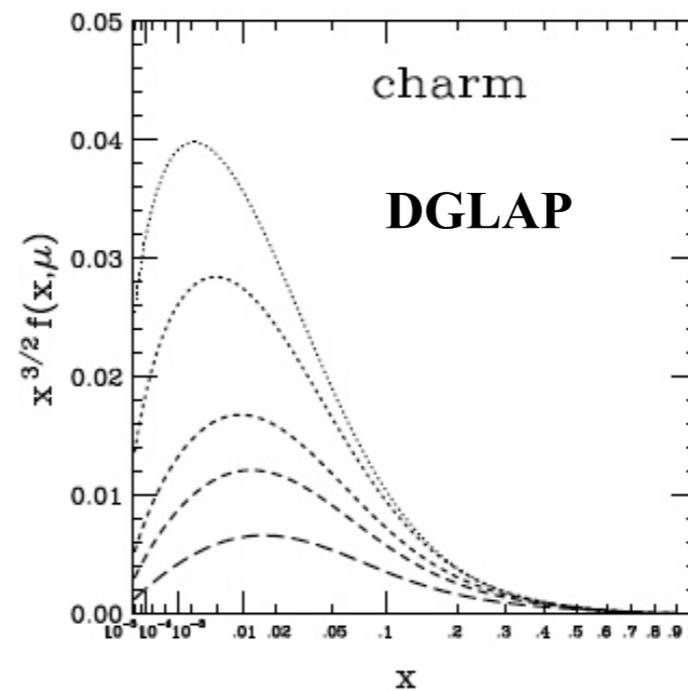


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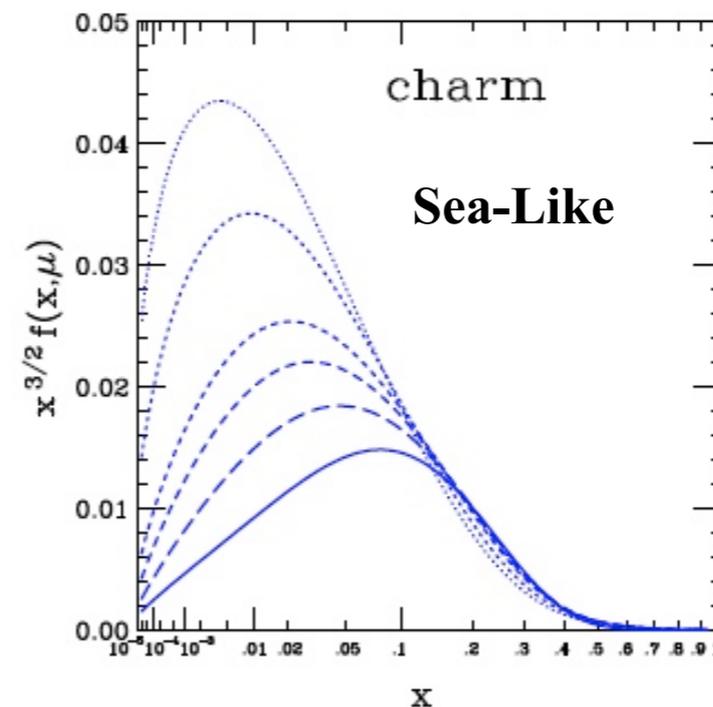
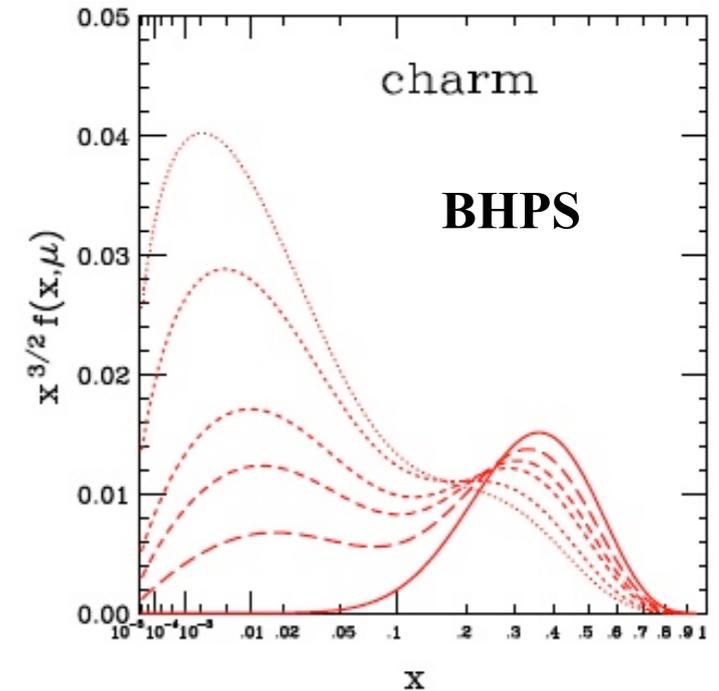
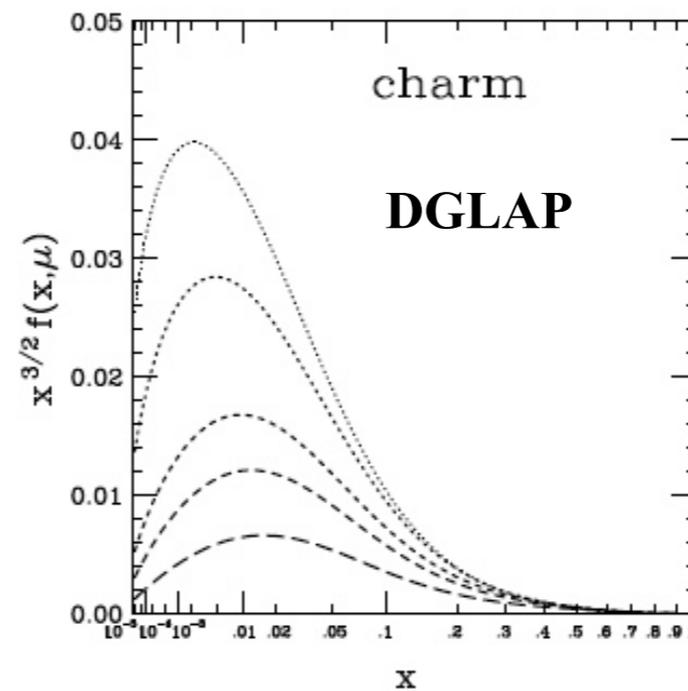
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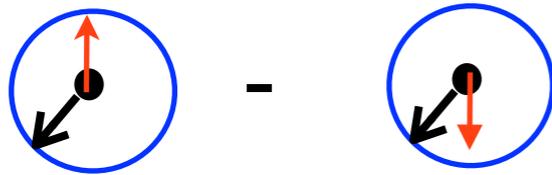
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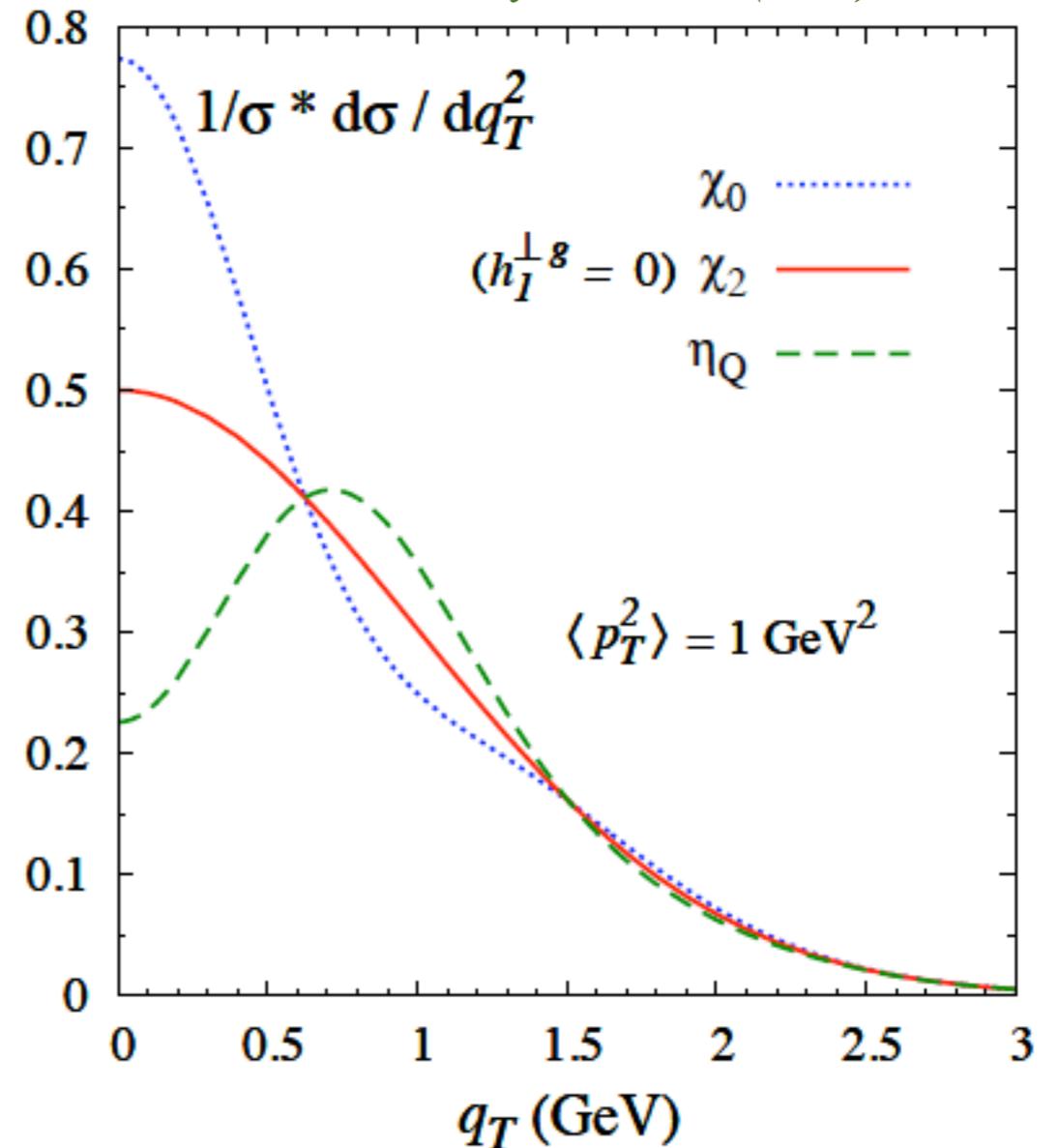
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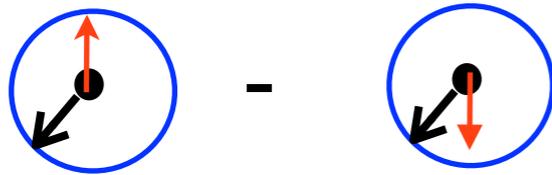
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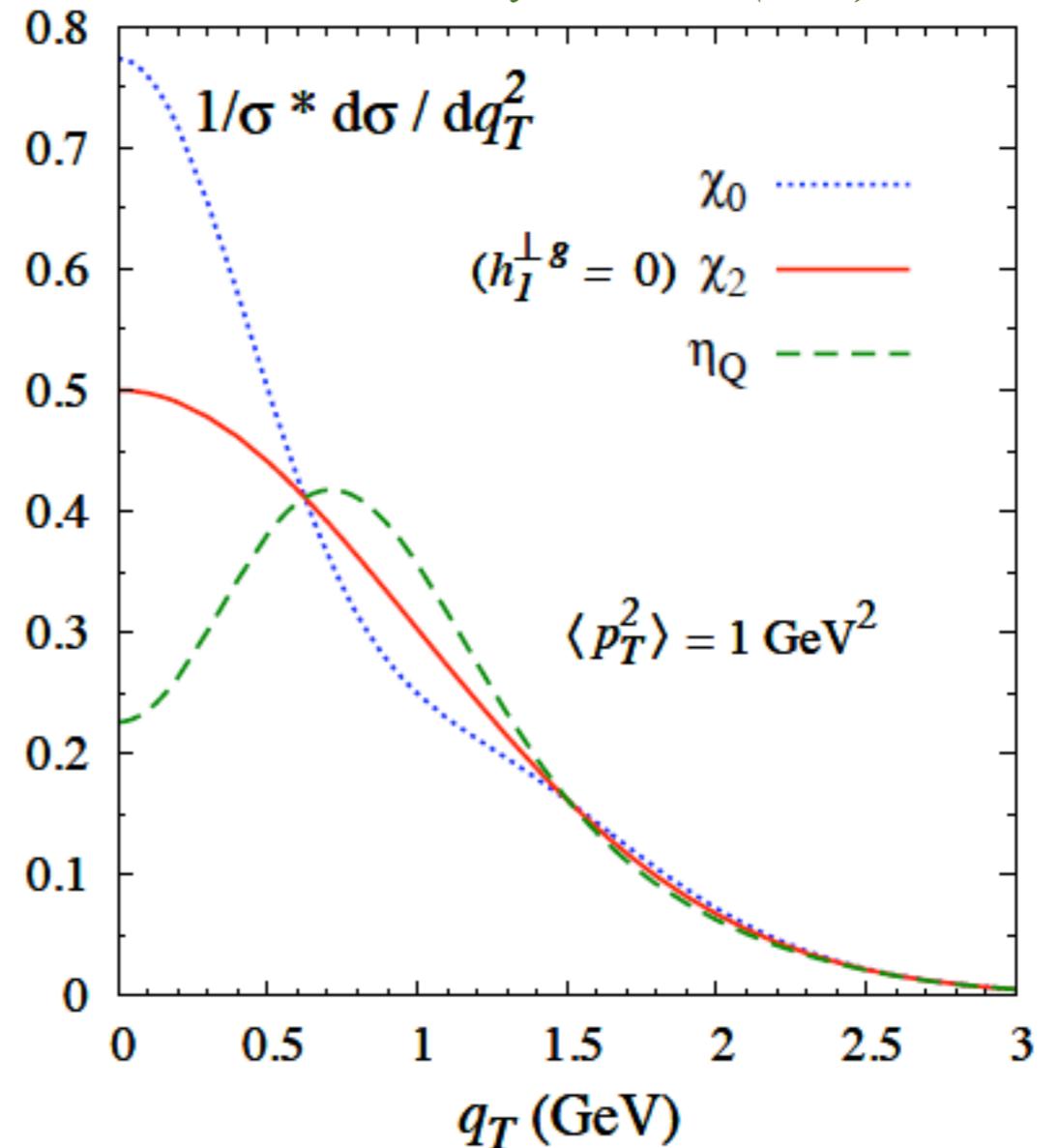
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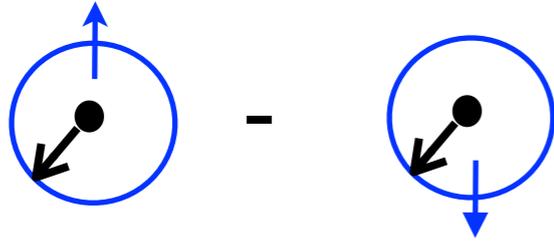
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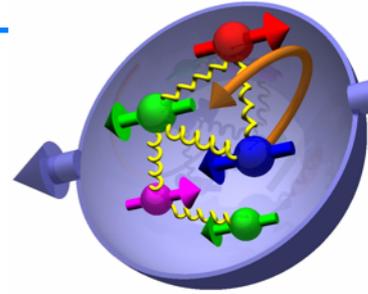


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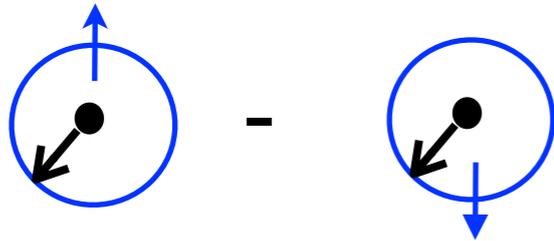
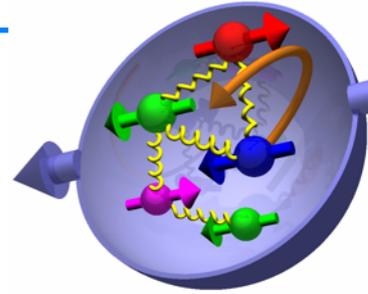


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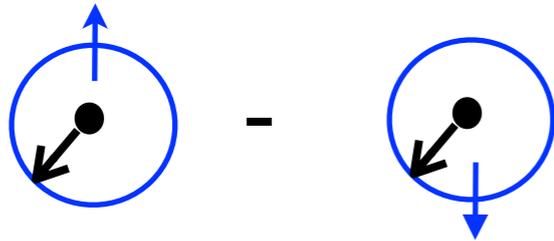


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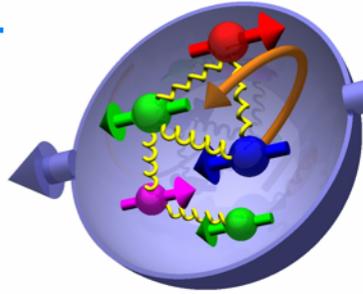
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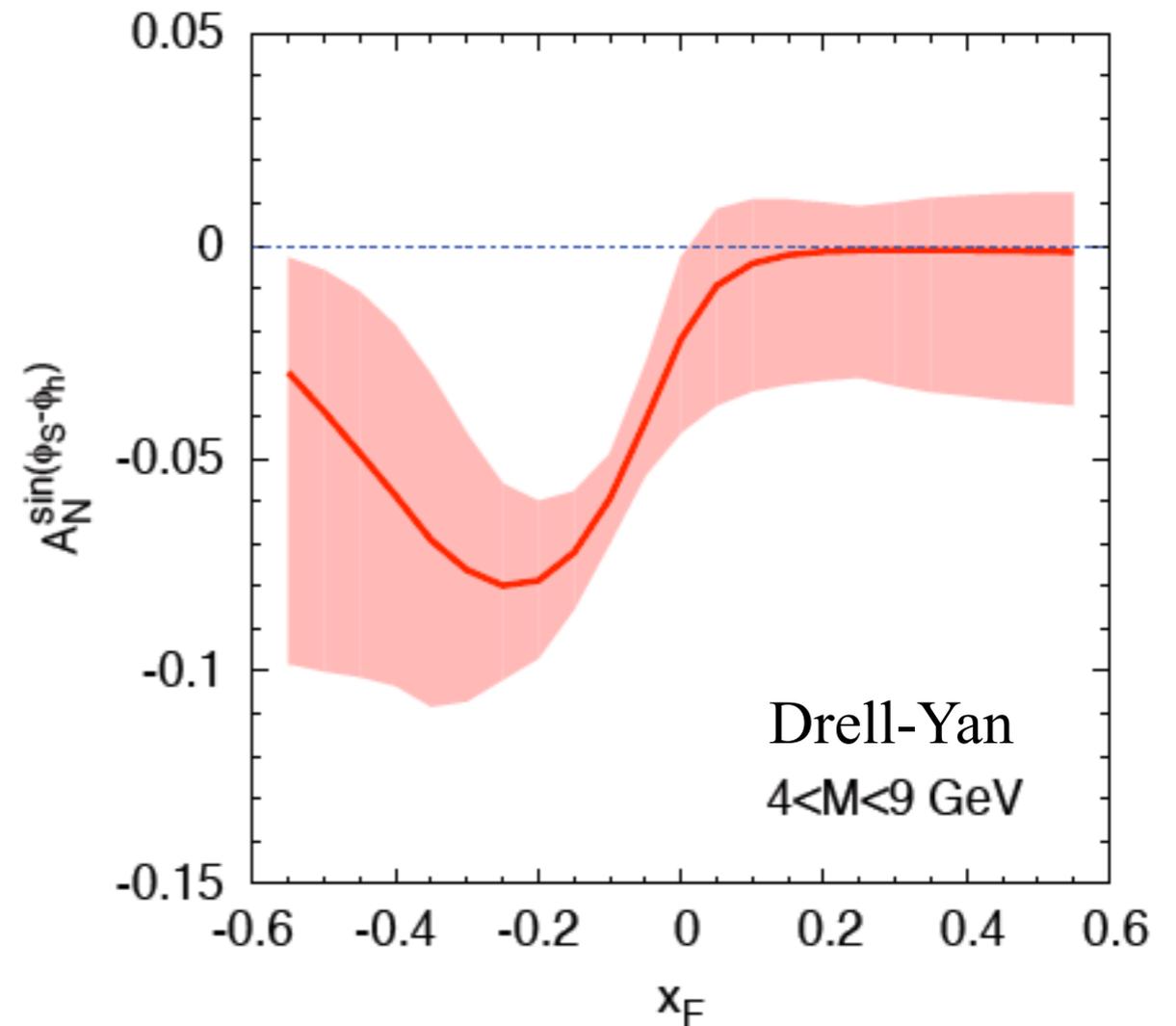


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*M. Anselmino Trento 2013*  
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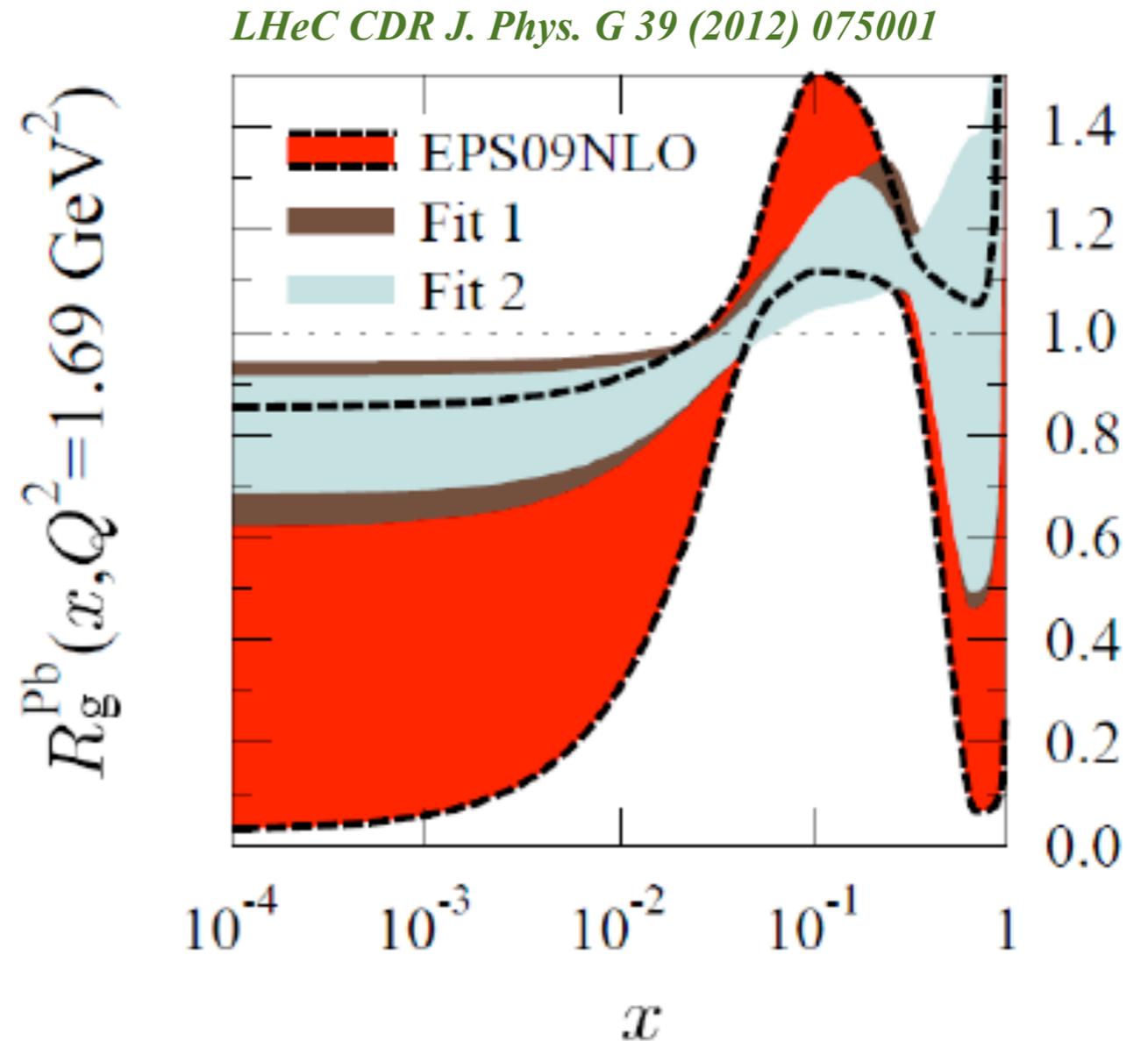


*see also T. Liu and B.Q. Ma Eur.Phys.J. C72 (2012) 2037*

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Large uncertainty in nuclei at large  $x$

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- **Target versatility**
  - Probing the A-dependence of shadowing and nuclear matter effects



# W, Z production in the threshold region

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With high luminosity fixed-target experiment, W and Z production accessible

Unique opportunity to study the W and Z production near threshold @ AFTER

Very large  $x$  partons in the nucleon/nucleus target probed

Large NLO and NNLO corrections: QCD laboratory near threshold at large scale

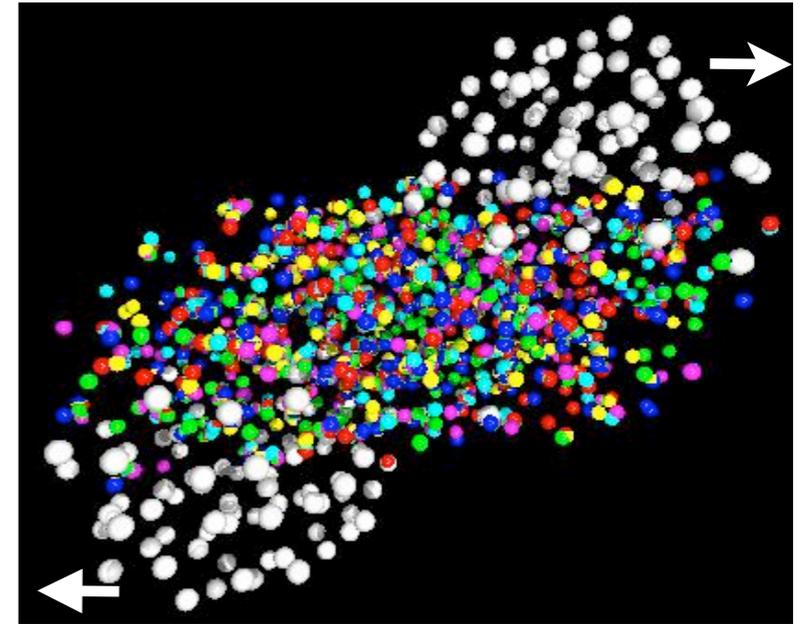
If  $W'/Z'$  exists, similar threshold corrections than W and Z

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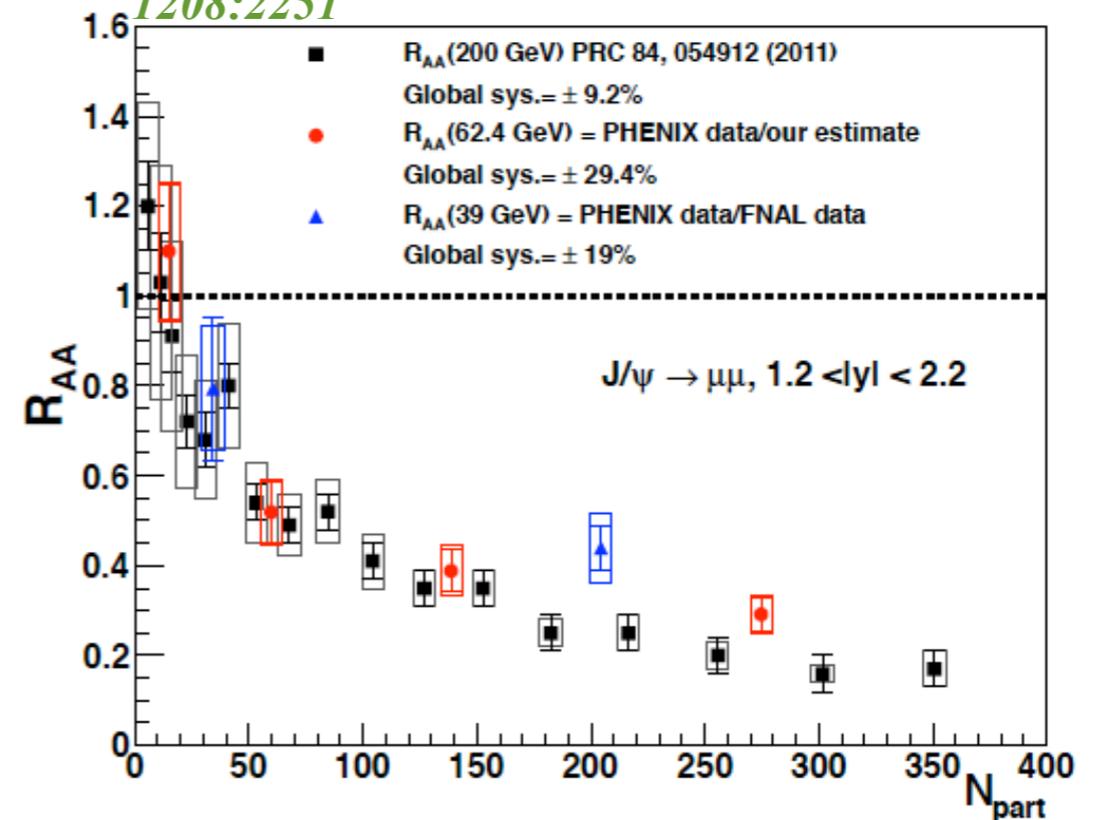
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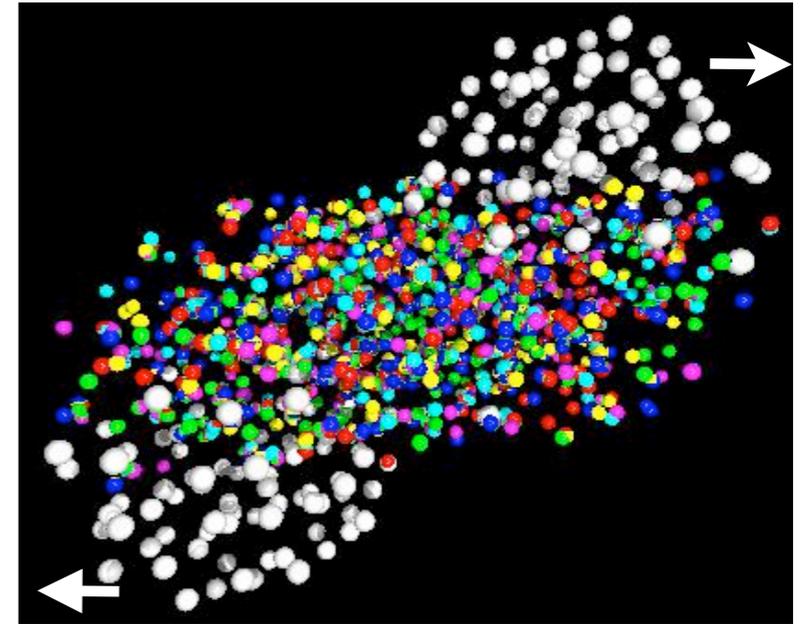
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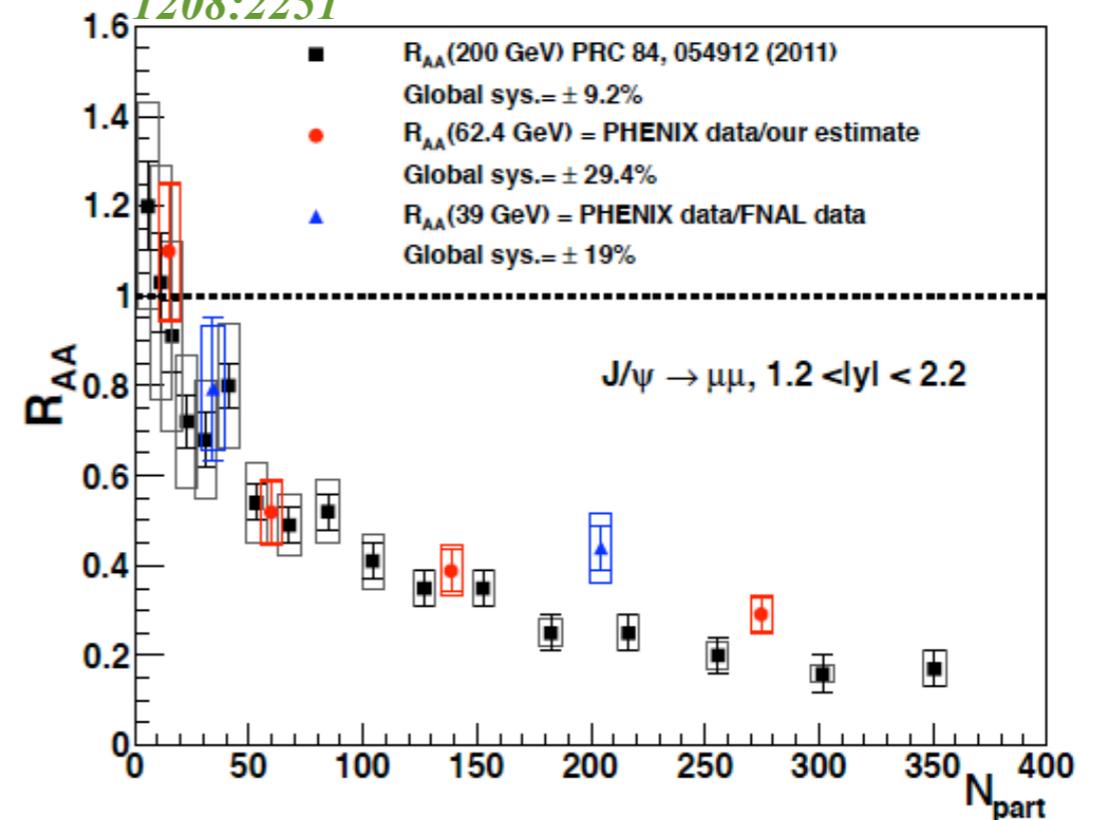
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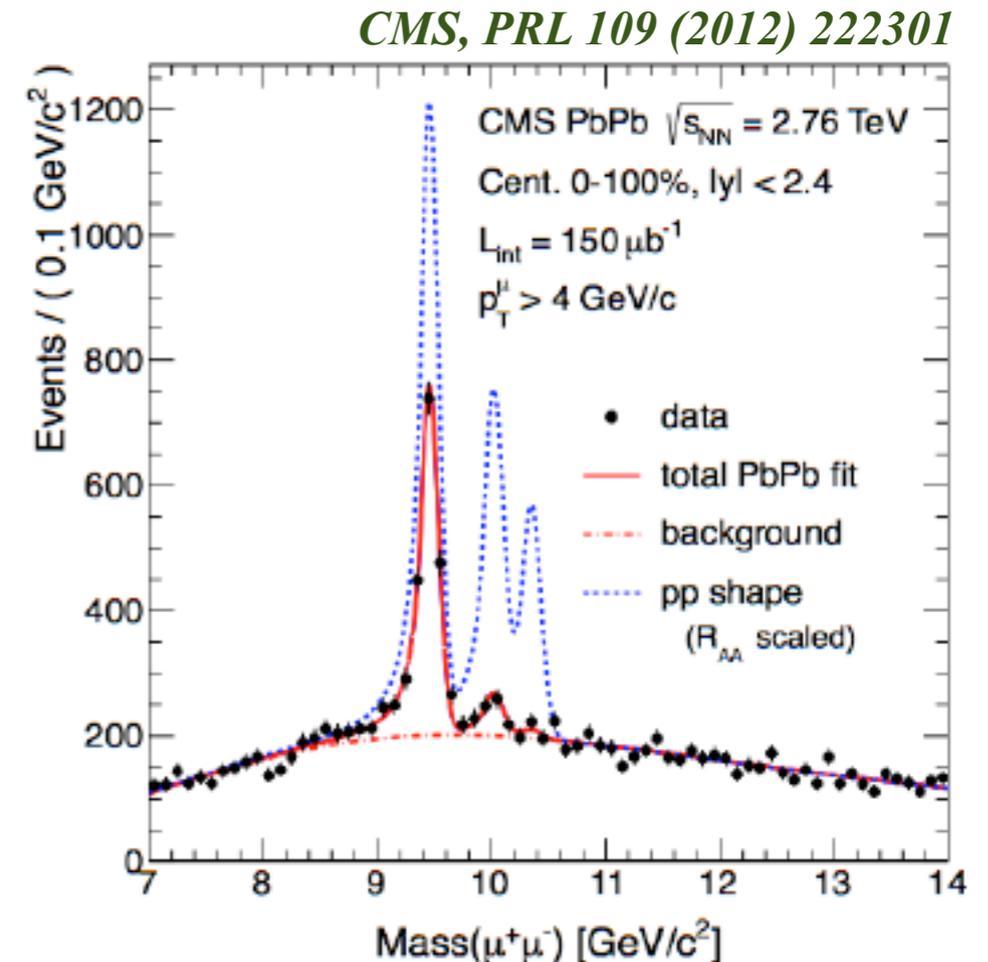
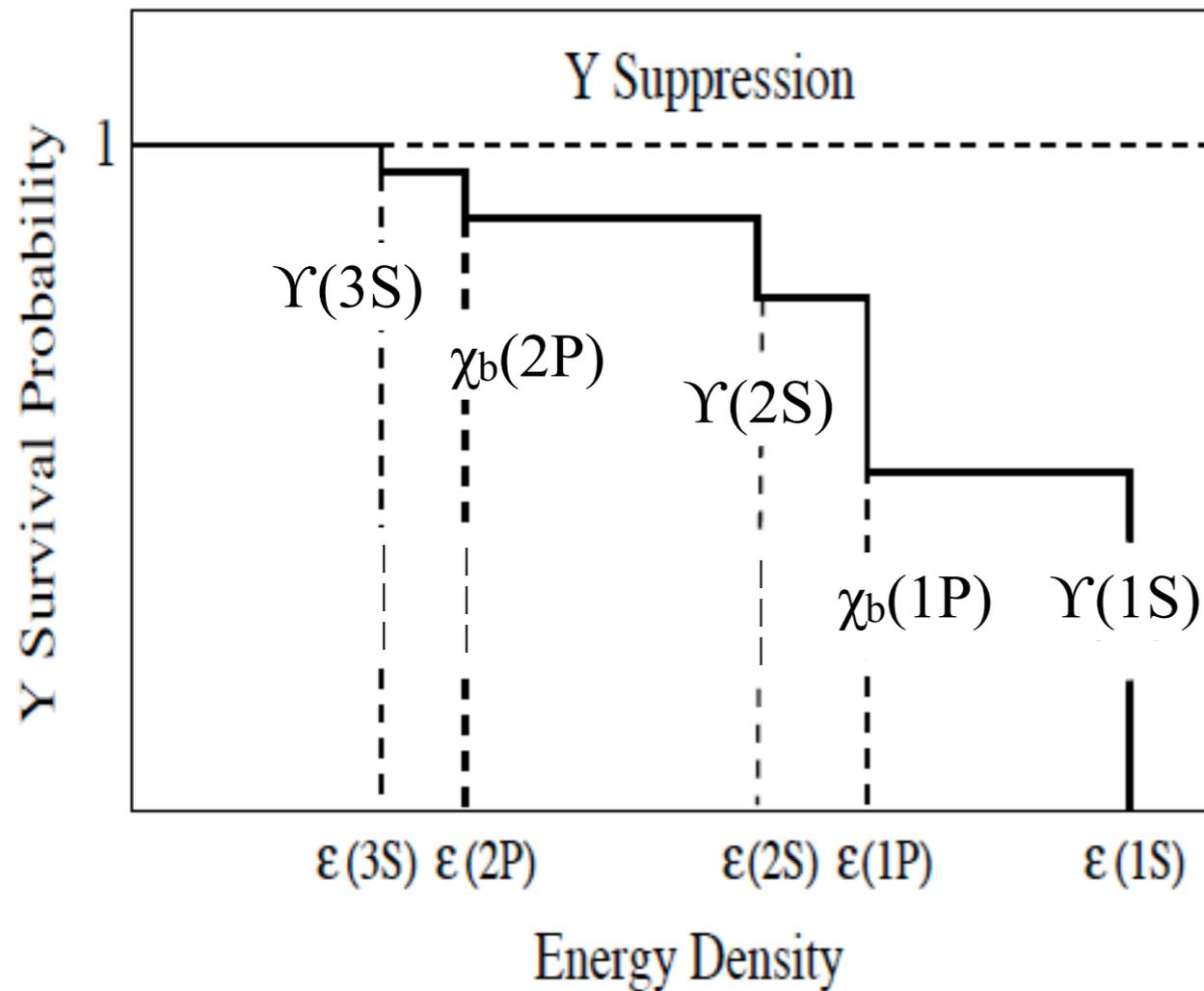
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  - Quarkonia
  - Jets
  - Low mass lepton pairs
  - ...
- **Target versatility**
  - In PbA, different nuclei: A-dependent studies
  - In pA, precise estimate of Cold Nuclear effects



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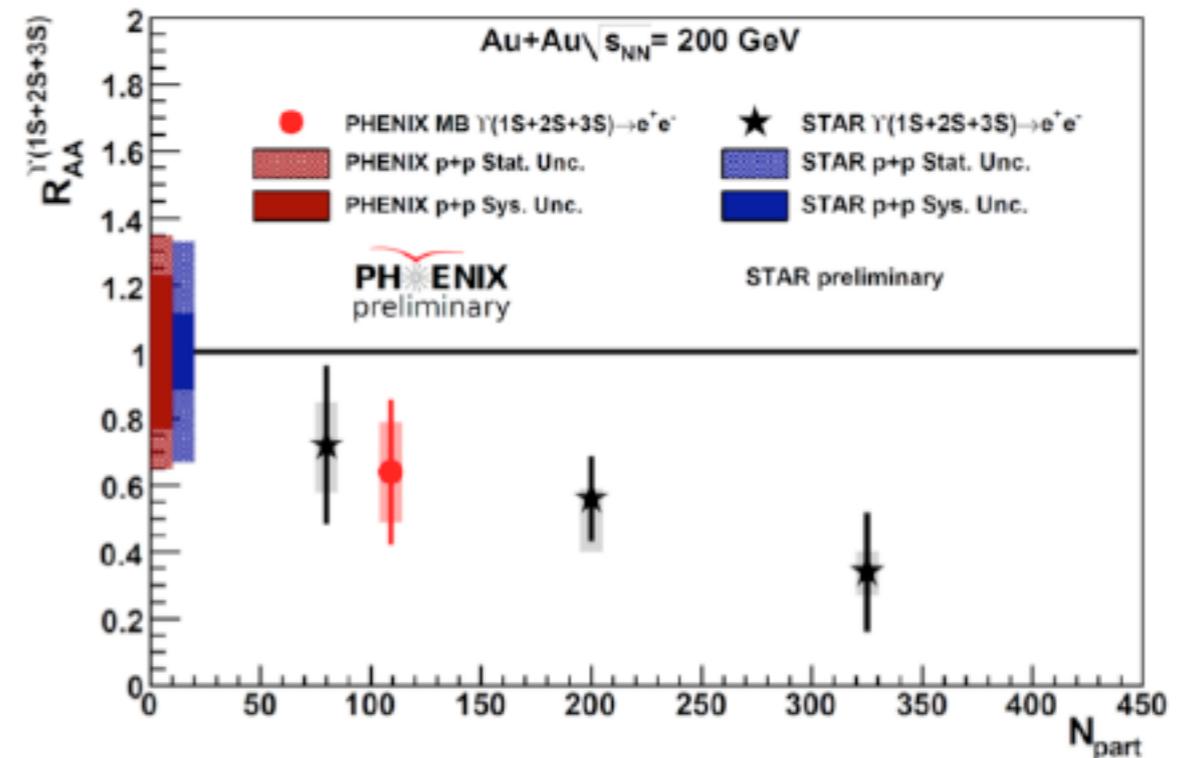
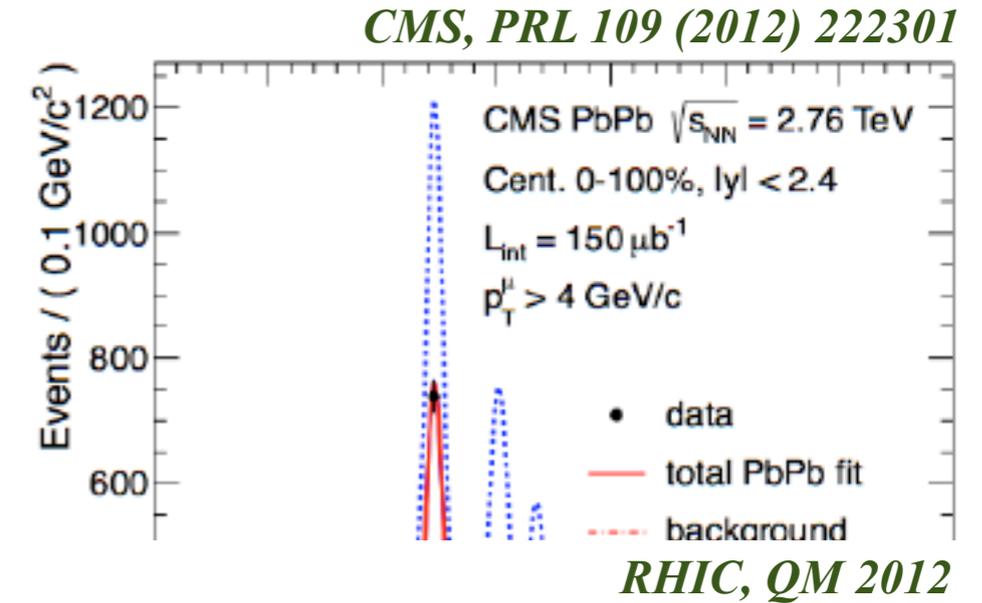
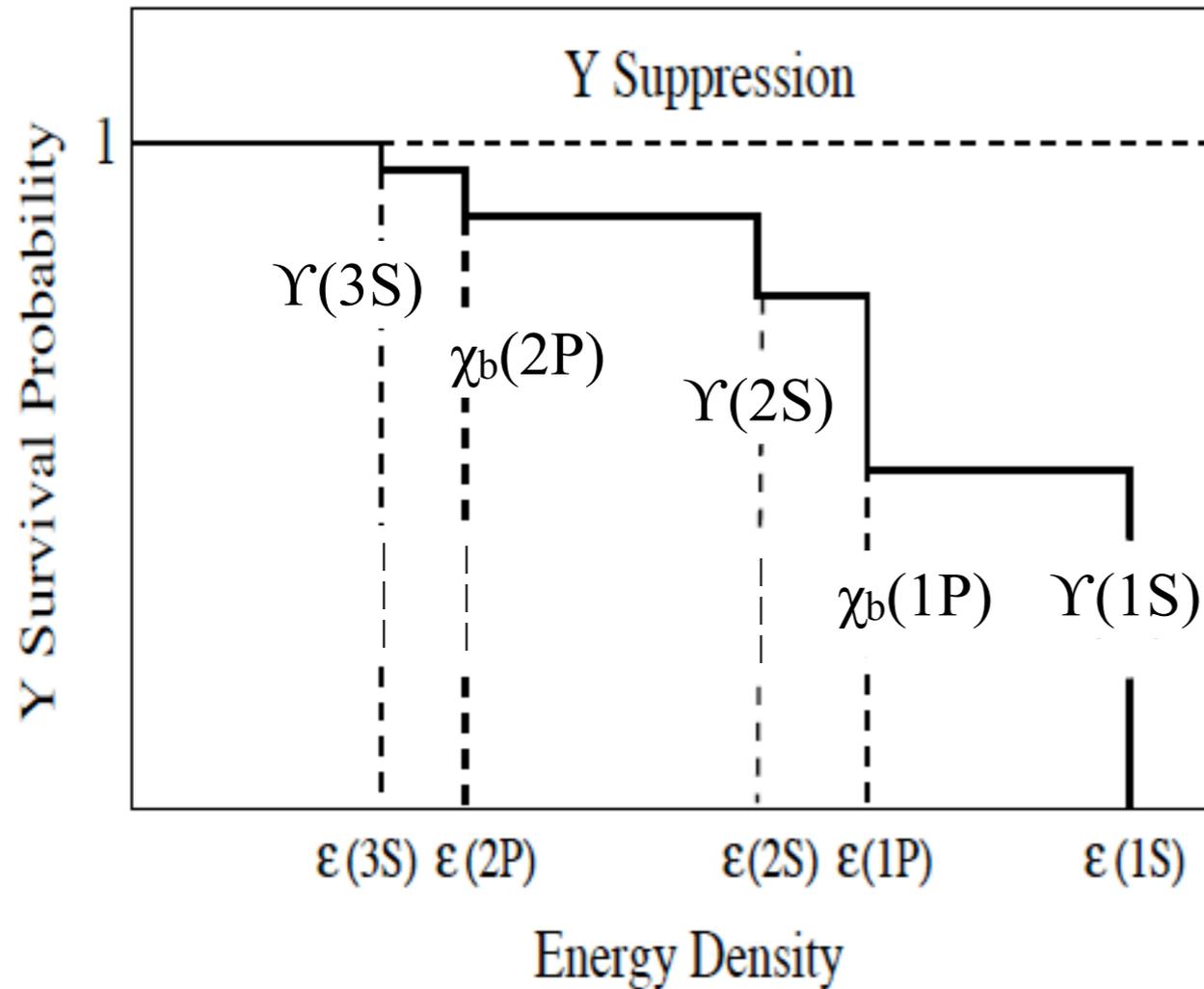
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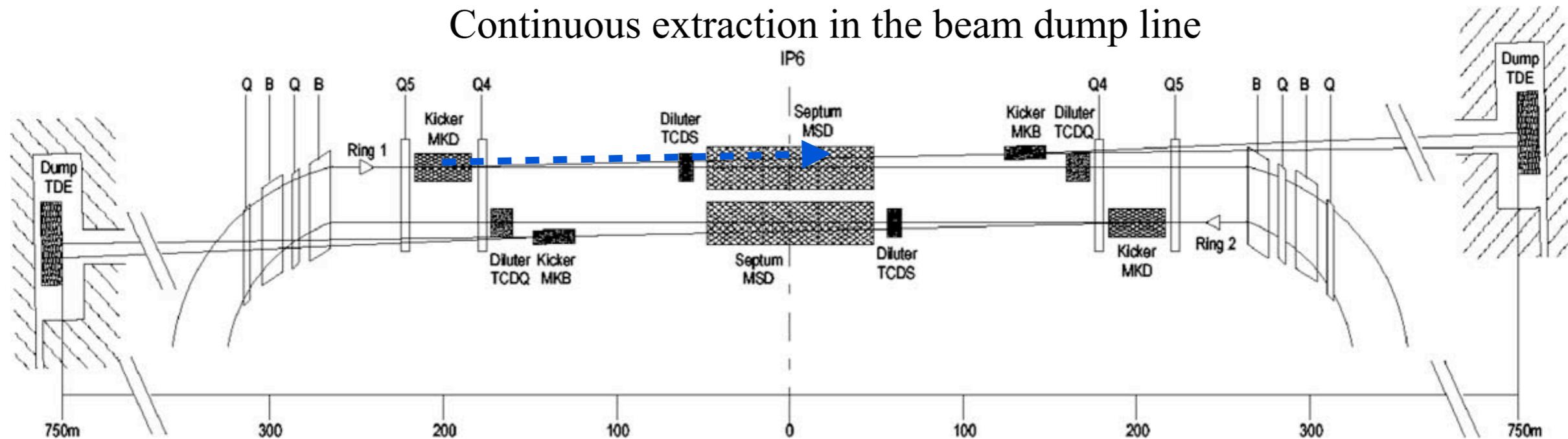
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# Luminosities in pH, pA, PbH and PbA

# A possibility for proton and lead beam extraction at the LHC

*E. Uggerhoj and U.I Uggerhoj NIMB 234 (2005) 34*

## Continuous extraction in the beam dump line



- Proposal for the insertion of a bent crystal in the LHC beam
  - Bent, single crystal of Si or Ge - 17cm long crystal
  - MKD kicker section at  $\sim 200$  m from IP6
  - Deflection angle = 0.257 mrad ( $\sim 7$  T.m equivalent magnet)
  - Distance of  $7\sigma$  to the beam to intercept and deflect the beam halo
  - No loss in the LHC beam
  - Bent crystal acts as a beam collimator

### • Proton beam extraction

- Single- or multi pass extraction efficiency of 50%
  - $N_{\text{beam loss LHC}} \sim 10^9$  p/s  $\rightarrow N_{\text{extracted beam}} = 5 \cdot 10^8$  p/s
- Extremely small emittance: beam size in the extraction direction) 950 m after the extraction  $\sim 0.3$  mm

### • Ion beam extraction

- Ions extraction tested at SPS, is expected to be also possible at LHC but needs more study
- May require bent diamonds (highly resistant to radiations)

*P. Ballin et al, NIMB 267 (2009) 2952*

*See Andry's talk*

# Luminosities in pH and pA @ 115 GeV

- **Intensity:**  $N_{\text{beam}} = 5 \cdot 10^8 \text{ protons} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ 
  - **Beam:** 2808 bunches of  $1.15 \times 10^{11} \text{ p} = 3.2 \times 10^{14} \text{ p}$
  - **Bunch:** Each bunch passes IP at the rate:  $\sim 11 \text{ kHz}$
  - **Instantaneous extraction:** IP sees  $2808 \times 11000 \sim 3 \cdot 10^7$  bunches passing every second  $\rightarrow$  extract  $\sim 16$  protons in each bunch at each pass
  - **Integrated extraction:** Over a 10h run: extract  $\sim 5.6\%$  of the protons stored in the beam

- **Instantaneous Luminosity**

$$L = N_{\text{beam}} \times N_{\text{Target}} = N_{\text{beam}} \times (\rho \times e \times N_A) / A$$

- $N_{\text{beam}} = 5 \times 10^8 \text{ p}^+/\text{s}$
- $e$  (target thickness) = 1 cm

- **Integrated luminosity**

- 9 months running/year
- 1 year  $\sim 10^7 \text{ s}$

Target (1 cm thick)	$\rho$ ( $\text{g cm}^{-3}$ )	$A$	$\mathcal{L}$ ( $\mu\text{b}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$ )	$\int \mathcal{L}$ ( $\text{pb}^{-1} \text{yr}^{-1}$ )
solid H	0.088	1	26	260
liquid H	0.068	1	20	200
liquid D	0.16	2	24	240
Be	1.85	9	62	620
Cu	8.96	64	42	420
W	19.1	185	31	310
Pb	11.35	207	16	160

$\Rightarrow$  Large luminosity in pH(A) ranging from 0.1 and 0.6  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  for a 1 cm thick target

$\Rightarrow$  Larger luminosity with 50 cm or 1 m H2 or D2 target

# Luminosities in PbA @ 72 GeV

- **Intensity:**  $N_{\text{beam}} = 2 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Pb} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$
- **Beam:** 592 bunches of  $7 \times 10^7$  ions =  $4.1 \times 10^{10}$  ions
- **Bunch:** Each bunch passes IP at the rate  $\sim 11 \text{ kHz}$
- **Instantaneous extraction:** IP sees  $592 \times 11000 \sim 6.5 \cdot 10^6$  bunches passing every second  $\rightarrow$  extract  $\sim 0.03$  ions in each bunch at each pass
- **Integrated extraction:** Over a 10h run: extract  $\sim 15\%$  of the ions stored in the beam

- **Instantaneous Luminosity**

$$L = N_{\text{beam}} \times N_{\text{Target}} = N_{\text{beam}} \times (\rho \times e \times N_A) / A$$

- $N_{\text{beam}} = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ Pb/s}$
- $e$  (target thickness) = 1 cm

- **Integrated luminosity**

- 1 months running/year
- 1 year  $\sim 10^6 \text{ s}$

Target (1 cm thick)	$\rho$ (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	$A$	$\mathcal{L}$ (mb <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	$\int \mathcal{L}$ (nb <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )
solid H	0.088	1	11	11
liquid H	0.068	1	8	8
liquid D	0.16	2	10	10
Be	1.85	9	25	25
Cu	8.96	64	17	17
W	19.1	185	13	13
Pb	11.35	207	7	7

$\Rightarrow$  AFTER provides a good luminosity to study QGP related measurements

# Polarizing the hydrogen target

## • Instantaneous Luminosity

$$L = N_{\text{beam}} \times N_{\text{Target}} = N_{\text{beam}} \times (\rho \times e \times N_A) / A$$

- $N_{\text{beam}} = 5 \times 10^8 \text{ p}^+/\text{s}$
- $e$  (target thickness) = 50 cm

$x_p^\uparrow$  range corresponds to Drell-Yan measurements

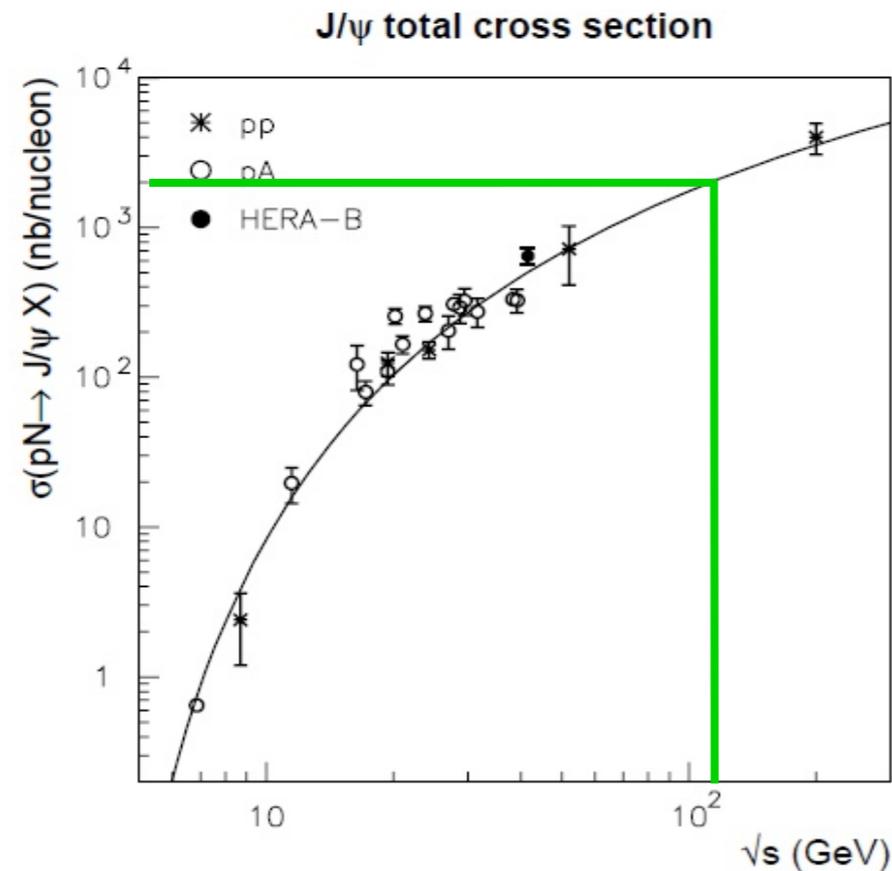
Experiment	particles	energy (GeV)	$\sqrt{s}$ (GeV)	$x_p^\uparrow$	$\mathcal{L}$ (nb <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
AFTER	$p + p^\uparrow$	7000	115	0.01 ÷ 0.9	1
COMPASS	$\pi^\pm + p^\uparrow$	160	17.4	0.2 ÷ 0.3	2
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(low mass)					
RHIC	$p^\uparrow + p$	collider	500	0.05 ÷ 0.1	0.2
J-PARC	$p^\uparrow + p$	50	10	0.5 ÷ 0.9	1000
PANDA	$\bar{p} + p^\uparrow$	15	5.5	0.2 ÷ 0.4	0.2
(low mass)					
PAX	$p^\uparrow + \bar{p}$	collider	14	0.1 ÷ 0.9	0.002
NICA	$p^\uparrow + p$	collider	20	0.1 ÷ 0.8	0.001
RHIC	$p^\uparrow + p$	250	22	0.2 ÷ 0.5	2
Int.Target 1					
RHIC	$p^\uparrow + p$	250	22	0.2 ÷ 0.5	60
Int.Target 2					

⇒ AFTER provides a good luminosity to study target spin related measurements

⇒ Complementary  $x_p$  range with other spin physics experiments

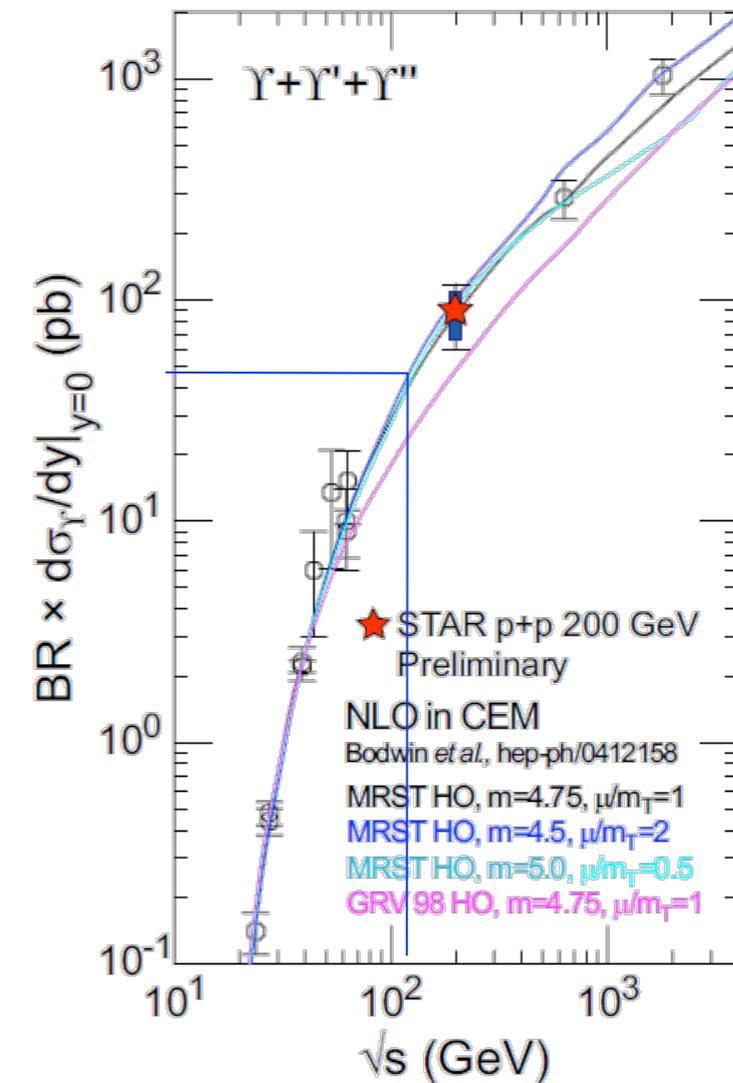
# Quarkonium case: annual yields

# Quarkonium cross-sections at AFTER energy



## Inclusive pp cross-sections

$B_{||} d\sigma/dy|_{y=0}$  @ 115 GeV  
 $J/\psi = 20$  nb  
 $Y = 40$  pb



## Inclusive pp cross-sections

$B_{||} d\sigma/dy|_{y=0}$  @ 72 GeV  
 $J/\psi = 10$  nb  
 $Y = 15$  pb

# Quarkonium yields in pH and pA @ 115 GeV

## In pp

⇒ RHIC @ 200 GeV x 100 with 10 cm thick H target

⇒ Comparable to LHCb if 1m H target

⇒ Detailed studies of quarkonium production ( $p_T$ ,  $y$ , polarization, different quarkonium states, ...)

## In pA

⇒ RHIC @ 200 GeV x 100 with 1 cm Pb target

⇒ Detailed studies of cold nuclear matter effect in pA ( $p_T$ ,  $y$ ,  $A$ , ...)

## Geometrical Acceptance

Simulations using ALICE as a fixed target experiment at LHC quotes a Geometrical Acceptance of 8% for  $J/\psi$  ( $4\pi$ ) →  $\mu^+\mu^-$  ( $2.5 < y < 4$ ) using the Forward Muon Spectrometer @ 115 GeV

*Kurepin et al. Phys.Atom.Nucl. 74 (2011)*

Target	$\int dt \mathcal{L}$	$\mathcal{B}_{\ell\ell} \frac{dN_{J/\psi}}{dy} \Big _{y=0}$	$\mathcal{B}_{\ell\ell} \frac{dN_{\Upsilon}}{dy} \Big _{y=0}$
10 cm solid H	2.6	$5.2 \cdot 10^7$	$1.0 \cdot 10^5$
10 cm liquid H	2	$4.0 \cdot 10^7$	$8.0 \cdot 10^4$
10 cm liquid D	2.4	$9.6 \cdot 10^7$	$1.9 \cdot 10^5$
1 cm Be	0.62	$1.1 \cdot 10^8$	$2.2 \cdot 10^5$
1 cm Cu	0.42	$5.3 \cdot 10^8$	$1.1 \cdot 10^6$
1 cm W	0.31	$1.1 \cdot 10^9$	$2.3 \cdot 10^6$
1 cm Pb	0.16	$6.7 \cdot 10^8$	$1.3 \cdot 10^6$
$pp$ low $P_T$ LHC (14 TeV)	0.05	$3.6 \cdot 10^7$	$1.8 \cdot 10^5$
$pPb$ LHC (8.8 TeV)	2	$1.4 \cdot 10^9$	$7.2 \cdot 10^6$
$pp$ RHIC (200 GeV)	$10^{-4}$	$1.0 \cdot 10^7$	$7.5 \cdot 10^4$
$dAu$ RHIC (200 GeV)	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$4.8 \cdot 10^5$	$1.2 \cdot 10^3$
$dAu$ RHIC (62 GeV)	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.4 \cdot 10^6$	$5.9 \cdot 10^3$
$dAu$ RHIC (62 GeV)	$3.8 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^4$	$1.8 \cdot 10^1$

Luminosity per year in  $\text{fb}^{-1}$

# Quarkonium distributions in pp @ 115 GeV

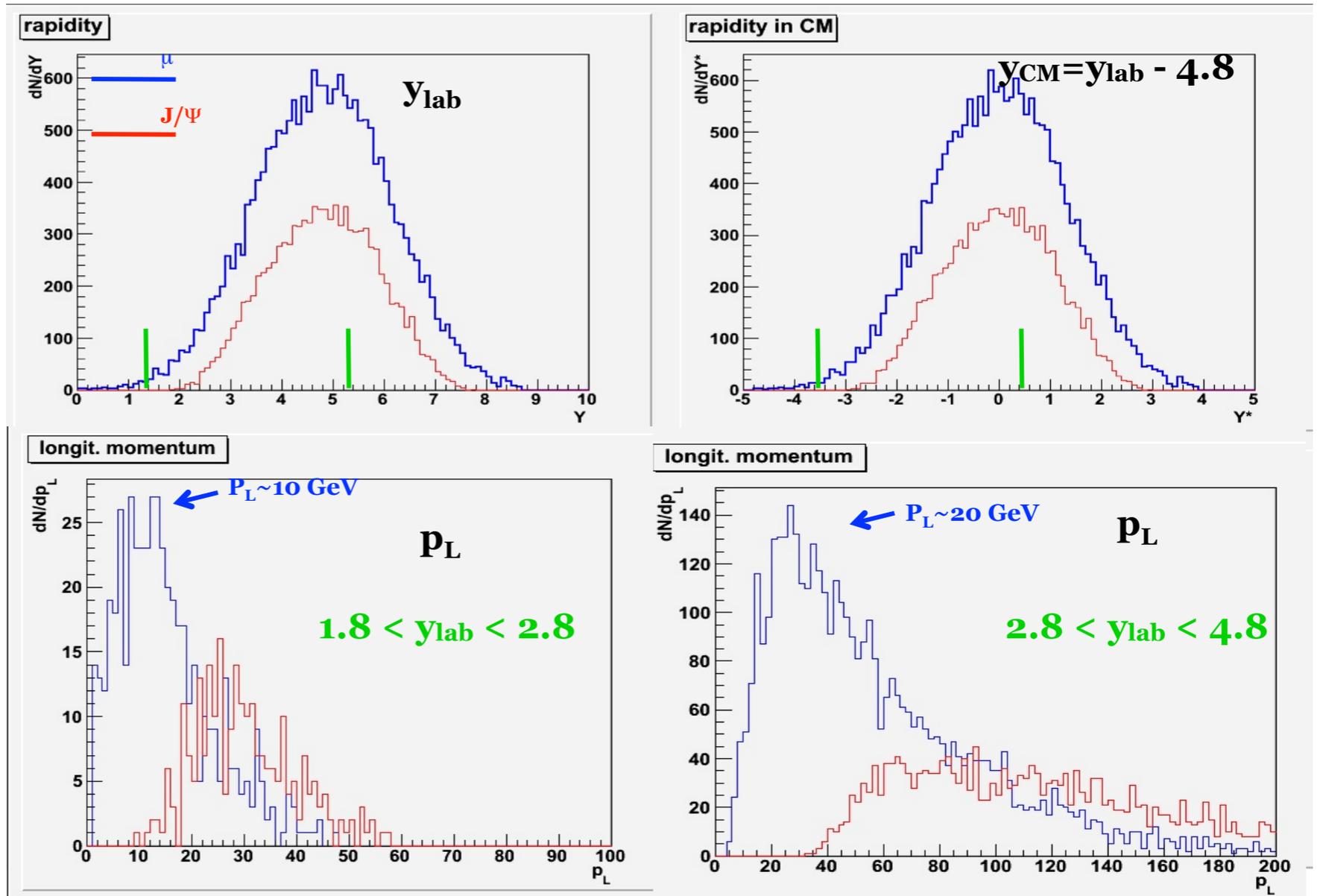
**Pythia 6.4.21:** p (7 TeV) + p  $\rightarrow$  J/ $\psi$  (isub=86)

J/ $\Psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

$\mu$  from J/ $\psi$  for  $1.3 < y_{\text{lab}} < 5.3$

$P_T \sim 1.7$  GeV

$P_L \sim 62$  GeV



**Longitudinal muon momentum**

1.3 < y<sub>lab</sub> < 3.3

p<sub>L</sub> (max) ~ 16 (50) GeV

3.3 < y<sub>lab</sub> < 4.3

p<sub>L</sub> (max) ~ 45 (150) GeV

4.3 < y<sub>lab</sub> < 5.3

p<sub>L</sub> (max) ~ 120 (300) GeV

# Accessing the large $x$ gluon pdf

## PYTHIA simulation

$$\sigma(y) / \sigma(y=0.4)$$

statistics for one month

5% acceptance considered

## Statistical relative uncertainty

Large statistics allow to access very backward region

## Gluon uncertainty from MSTWPDF

- only for the gluon content of the target

- assuming

$$x_g = M_{J/\Psi} / \sqrt{s} e^{-y_{CM}}$$

## J/ $\Psi$

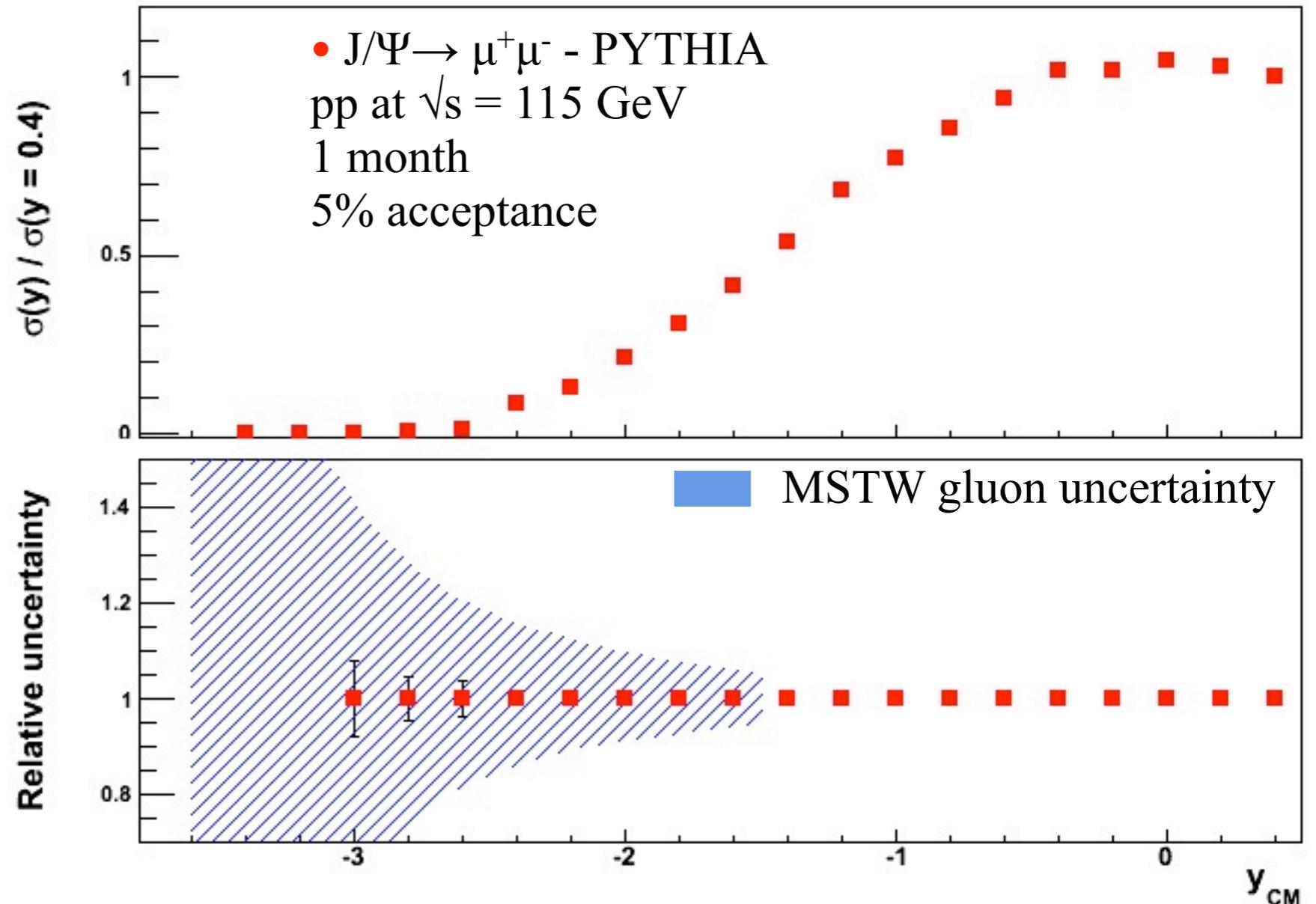
$$y_{CM} \sim 0 \rightarrow x_g = 0.03$$

$$y_{CM} \sim -3.6 \rightarrow x_g = 1$$

**Y: larger  $x_g$  for same  $y_{CM}$**

$$y_{CM} \sim 0 \rightarrow x_g = 0.08$$

$$y_{CM} \sim -2.4 \rightarrow x_g = 1$$



$\Rightarrow$  Backward measurements allow to access large  $x$  gluon pdf

**Simulations needed !**

# Quarkonium yields in PbA @ 72 GeV

## PbA

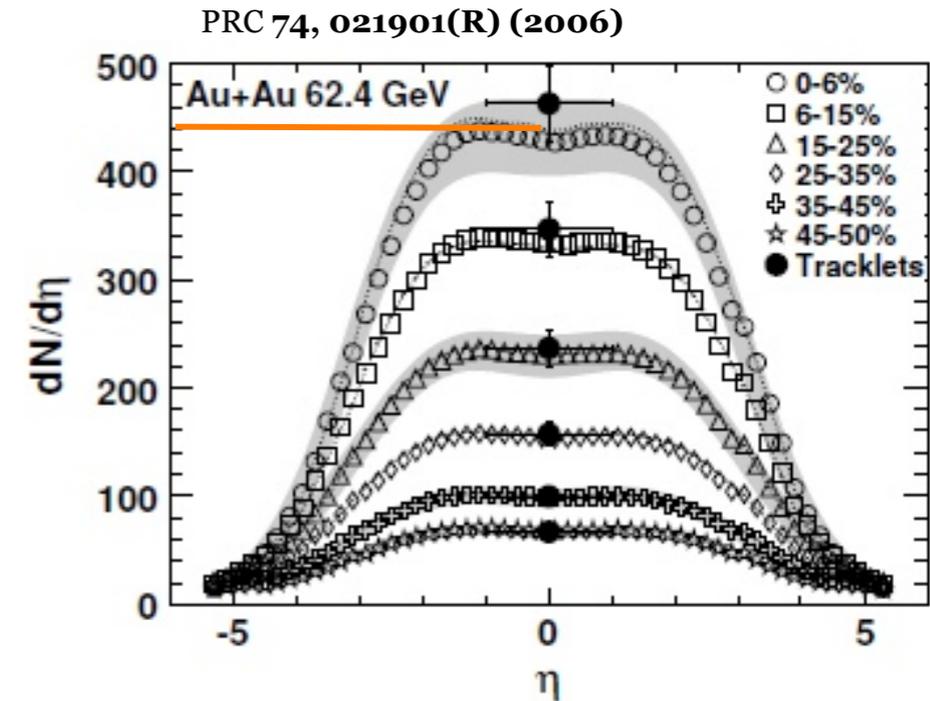
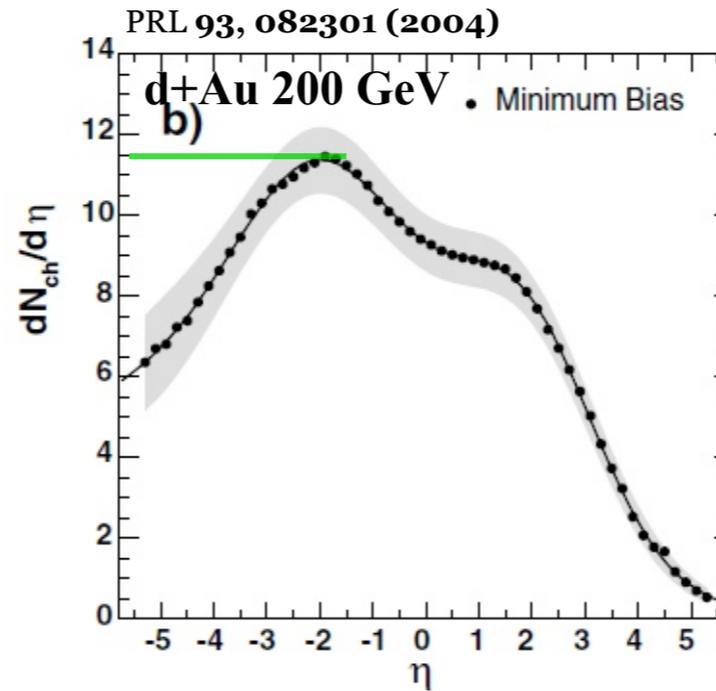
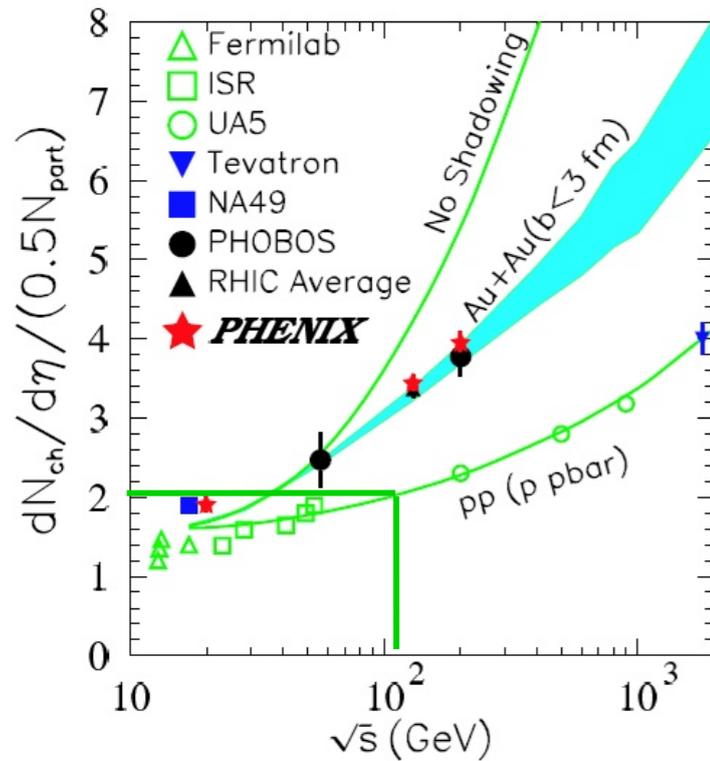
⇒ Same statistics than RHIC @ 200 GeV and LHC and 2 orders of magnitude larger than RHIC @ 62 GeV

⇒ Detailed studies possible for quarkonium states ( $\psi'$ ,  $\chi_c$ , A-dependence, ...)

Target	$\int dt \mathcal{L}$	$\mathcal{B}_{e\bar{e}} \left. \frac{dN_{J/\psi}}{dy} \right _{y=0}$	$\mathcal{B}_{e\bar{e}} \left. \frac{dN_{\Upsilon}}{dy} \right _{y=0}$
10 cm solid H	110	$4.3 \cdot 10^5$	$8.9 \cdot 10^2$
10 cm liquid H	83	$3.4 \cdot 10^5$	$6.9 \cdot 10^2$
10 cm liquid D	100	$8.0 \cdot 10^5$	$1.6 \cdot 10^3$
1 cm Be	25	$9.1 \cdot 10^5$	$1.9 \cdot 10^3$
1 cm Cu	17	$4.3 \cdot 10^6$	$0.9 \cdot 10^3$
1 cm W	13	$9.7 \cdot 10^6$	$1.9 \cdot 10^4$
1 cm Pb	7	$5.7 \cdot 10^6$	$1.1 \cdot 10^4$
<i>dAu</i> RHIC (200 GeV)	150	$2.4 \cdot 10^6$	$5.9 \cdot 10^3$
<i>dAu</i> RHIC (62 GeV)	3.8	$1.2 \cdot 10^4$	$1.8 \cdot 10^1$
<i>AuAu</i> RHIC (200 GeV)	2.8	$4.4 \cdot 10^6$	$1.1 \cdot 10^4$
<i>AuAu</i> RHIC (62 GeV)	0.13	$4.0 \cdot 10^4$	$6.1 \cdot 10^1$
<i>pPb</i> LHC (8.8 TeV)	100	$1.0 \cdot 10^7$	$7.5 \cdot 10^4$
<i>PbPb</i> LHC (5.5 TeV)	0.5	$7.3 \cdot 10^6$	$3.6 \cdot 10^4$

Luminosity per year in  $\text{fb}^{-1}$

# Multiplicity in PbA



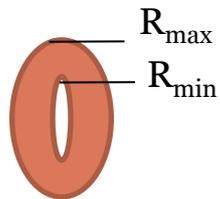
**Charged particles per unit of rapidity: (x 1.5 = charged+neutral)**

**p+p @ 115 GeV ~ 2**

**d+Au @ 200 GeV : max ~11**

**Au+Au @ 62.4 GeV : max ~ 450**

→ **A highly granular detector is needed**



$y <  0.5 $	$R_{\min}$ (cm)	$R_{\max}$ (cm)	Surface (cm <sup>2</sup> )
Vertex	1.5	10	~ 300
Calo	10	40	~4700

**Vertex ~ 450 part.**

$$1\% \sim \frac{450}{300 \times \left( \frac{1}{0.8 \times 0.8 \text{ mm}^2} \right)}$$

$$0.1\% \sim \frac{450}{300 \times \left( \frac{1}{0.25 \times 0.25 \text{ mm}^2} \right)}$$

**Calo ~ 700 part.**

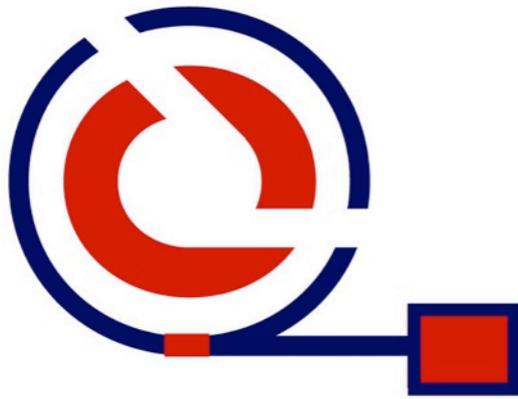
$$\frac{700}{4700 \times \left( \frac{1}{1 \times 1 \text{ cm}^2} \right)} \sim 14\%$$

$$\frac{700}{4700 \times \left( \frac{1}{0.5 \times 0.5 \text{ cm}^2} \right)} \sim 3.7\%$$

# Conclusion

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- LHC proton and lead beams continuous extraction with bent crystal offers many physics opportunities
- Large luminosities provide access to large and very large parton  $x$  measurements for quarks and gluons: QCD laboratory at large  $x$
- Fixed-target mode allows for target versatility: hydrogen, deuteron, nucleus (nuclear effect and QGP), polarized target (spin physics)
- AFTER designed as a multi-purpose experiment



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# Looking for partners!

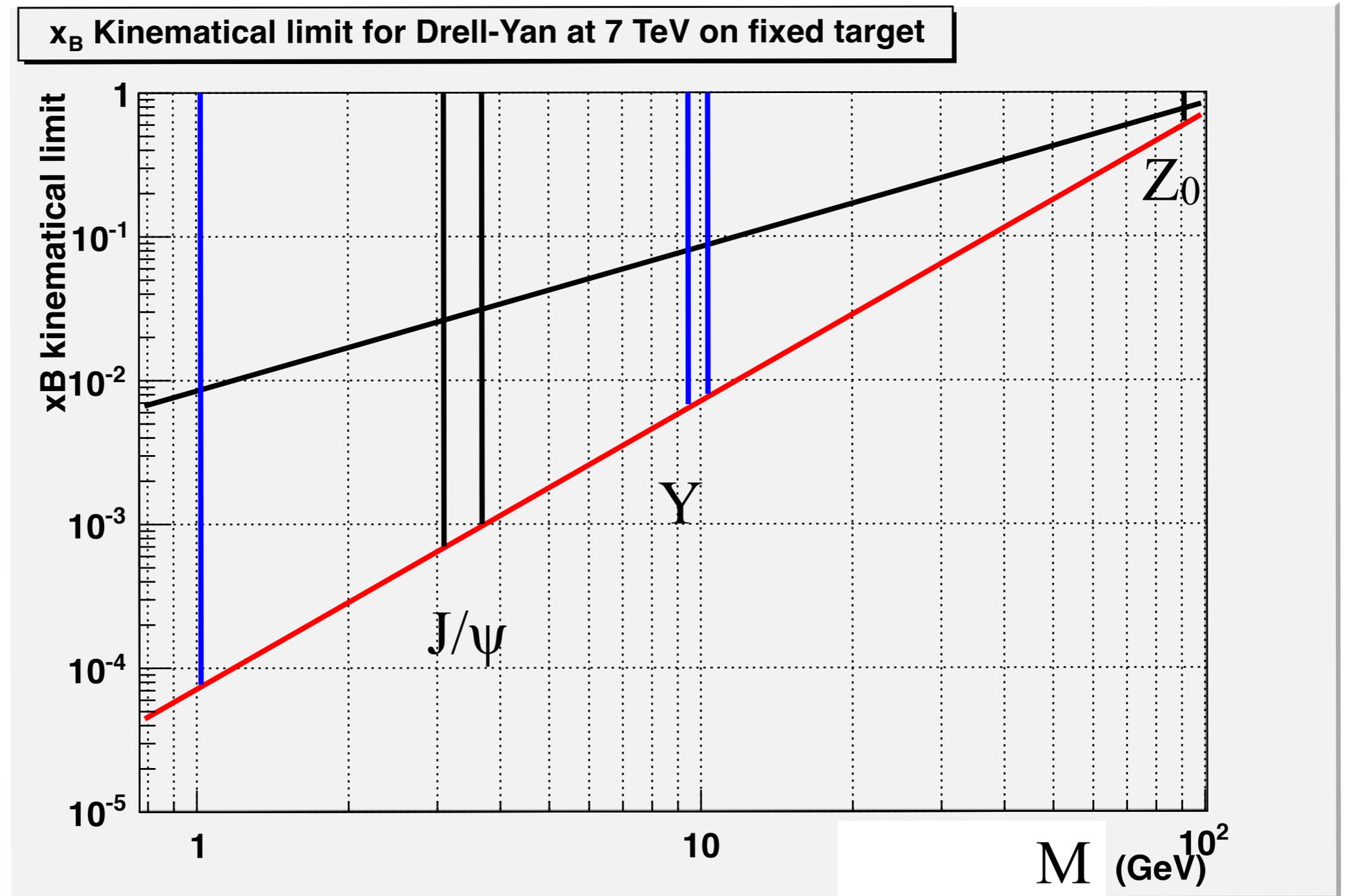
# Drell-Yan continuum

backward region  
forward region

$x_{\text{target}}$   
 $x_{\text{beam}}$

$x_{\text{target}} = x_{\text{beam}}$

$x_{\text{beam}}$   
 $x_{\text{target}}$

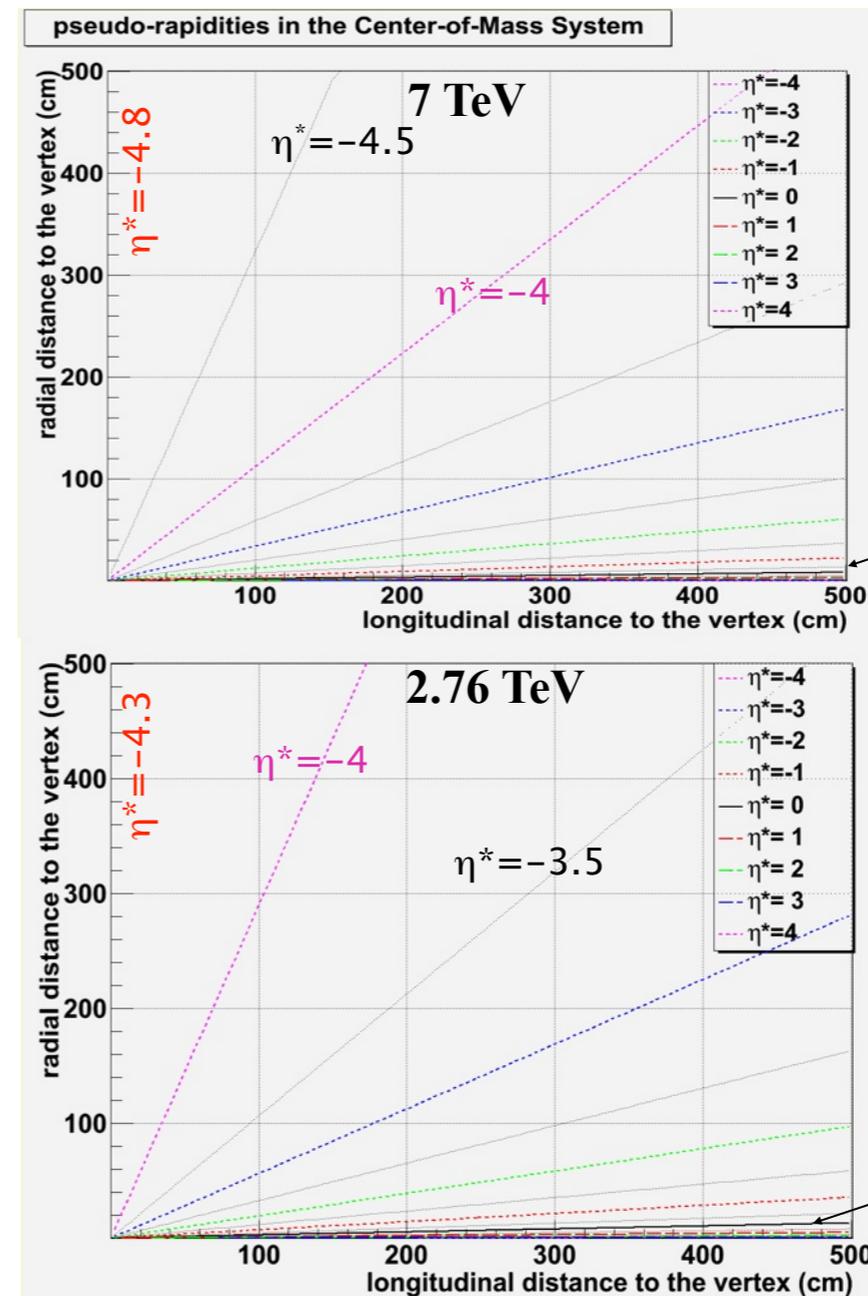


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# Tentative design for AFTER

# Rapidity boost in a fixed target mode

- **Very high boost:**
  - With 7 TeV beam  
 $\gamma = \sqrt{s}/(2m_p) = 61.1$  and  $y_{\text{CMS}} = 4.8$
  - With 2.76 TeV beam  
 $\gamma = 38.3$  and  $y_{\text{CMS}} = 4.3$
- $\eta_{\text{CM}} = \eta_{\text{lab}} - y_{\text{CMS}}$   
**forward region:  $\eta_{\text{CM}} > 0$**   
**backward region:  $\eta_{\text{CM}} < 0$**
- $\eta = -\ln \tan \theta/2$   
 $\rightarrow \theta (y_{\text{CM}}=0) \sim 0.9^\circ$  (16 mrad)
  - $y_{\text{lab}}(\text{J}/\Psi) \sim 4.8 \rightarrow x_2(\text{J}/\Psi) = 0.03$
  - $y_{\text{lab}}(\Upsilon) \sim 4.8 \rightarrow x_2(\Upsilon) = 0.08$
- **Taking  $x_2 = M/\sqrt{s} e^{-y_{\text{CM}}}$** 
  - $x_2(\text{J}/\Psi) = 1 \rightarrow y_{\text{lab}}(\text{J}/\Psi) \sim 1.2$
  - $x_2(\Upsilon) = 1 \rightarrow y_{\text{lab}}(\Upsilon) \sim 2.4$
- **Very well placed to access backward physics**



$y_{\text{CMS}} = 4.8$

$y_{\text{CMS}} = 4.3$

# A tentative design for AFTER

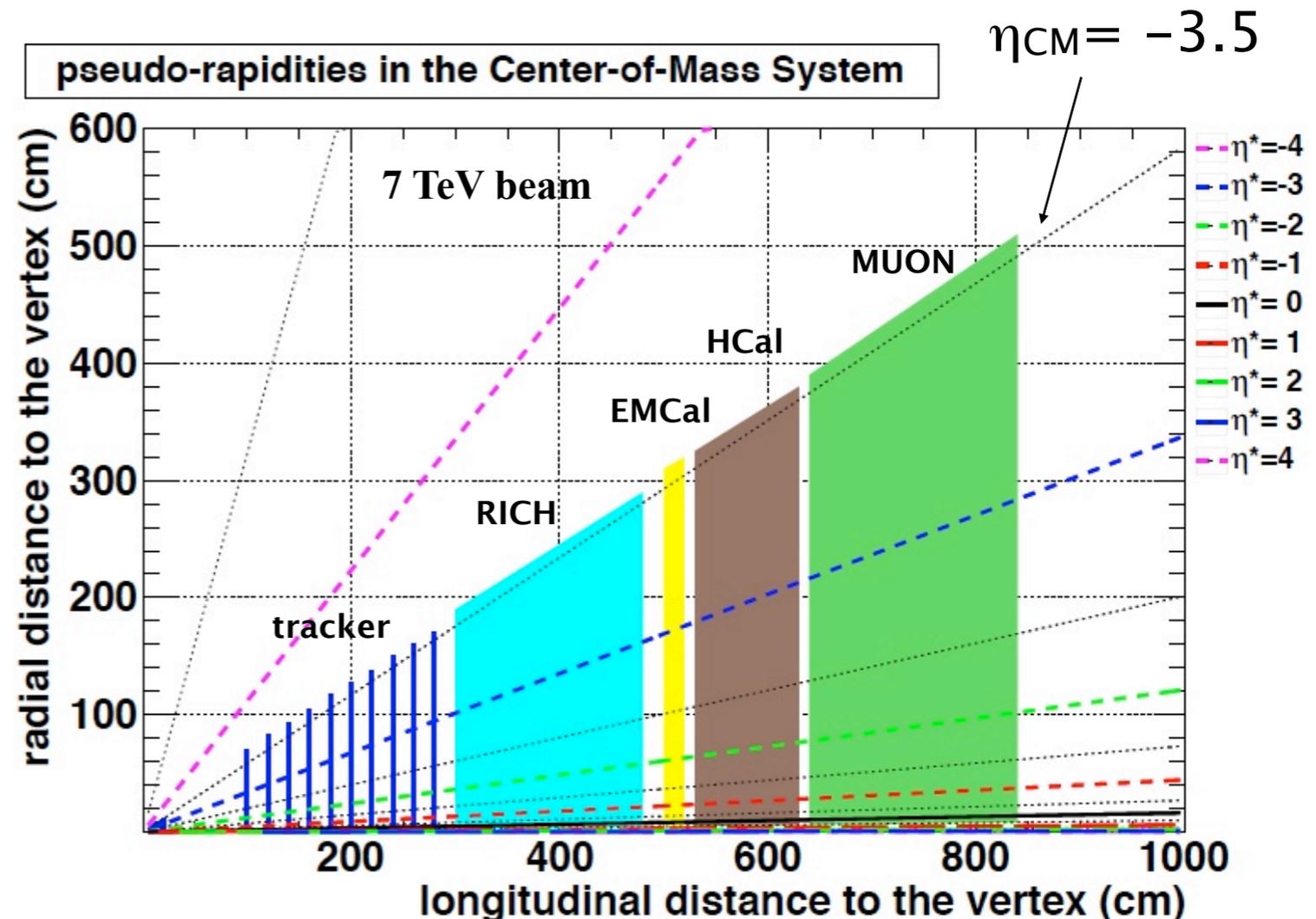
- **Tentative design**  $1.3 < y_{\text{lab}} < 5.3$

- With 7 TeV beam :  $-3.5 < y_{\text{CM}} < 0.5$
- With 2.76 TeV beam:  $-3 < y_{\text{CM}} < 1$
- $\theta_{\text{min}} = 10 \text{ mrad}$

- **Multi-purpose detector**

- Vertex
- Tracking (+ dipole magnet)
- RICH
- Calorimetry
- Muons

- **High boost** → forward and as compact as possible detector



# Detector dimension

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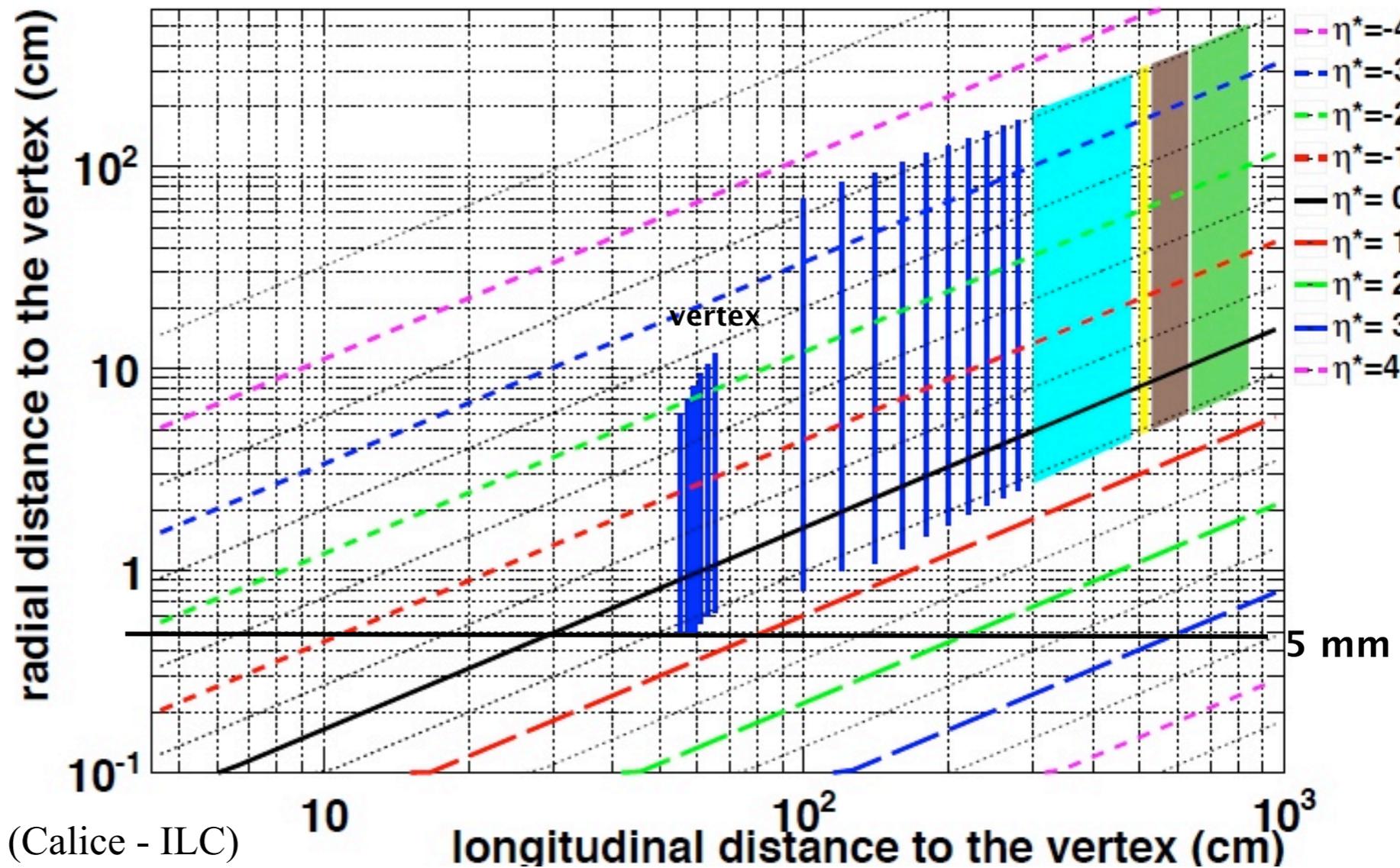
$$\theta_{\text{min}} = 10 \text{ mrad}$$

Detector	$Z_{\text{min}}/Z_{\text{max}}$	$R_{\text{min}}/R_{\text{max}}$
Vertex	55/65 cm	0.5/12 cm
Tracker	100/180 cm	0.8/170 cm
RICH	300/480 cm	2.7/290 cm
EMCal	500/520 cm	4.7/320 cm
HCal	530/630 cm	5.0/380 cm
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## • Technology

- Vertex, tracker: pixel detectors
- Ultra-granular EMCal: Tungsten/Si (Calice - ILC)
- Muons: Magnetize Fe (Minos)
- ...

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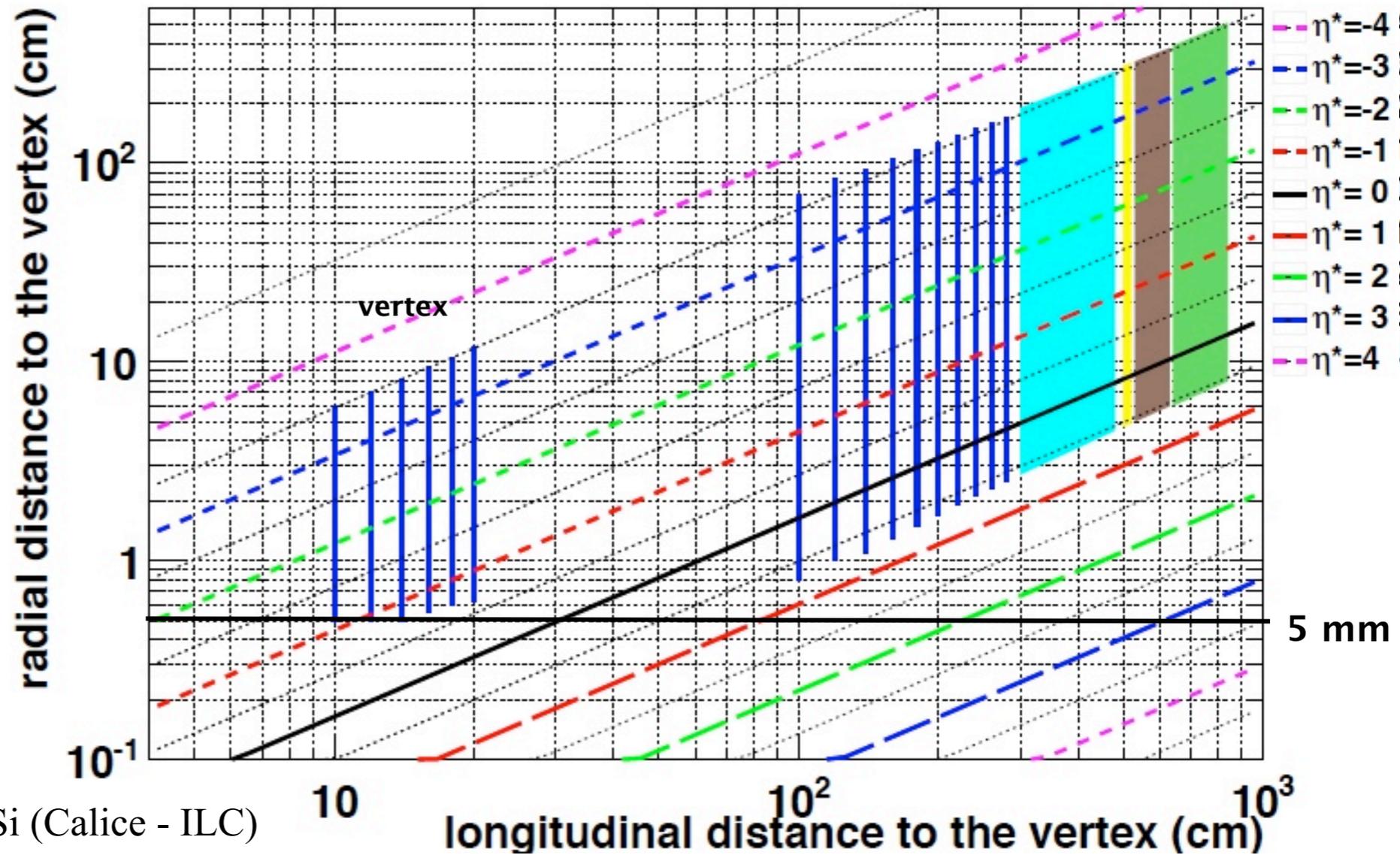


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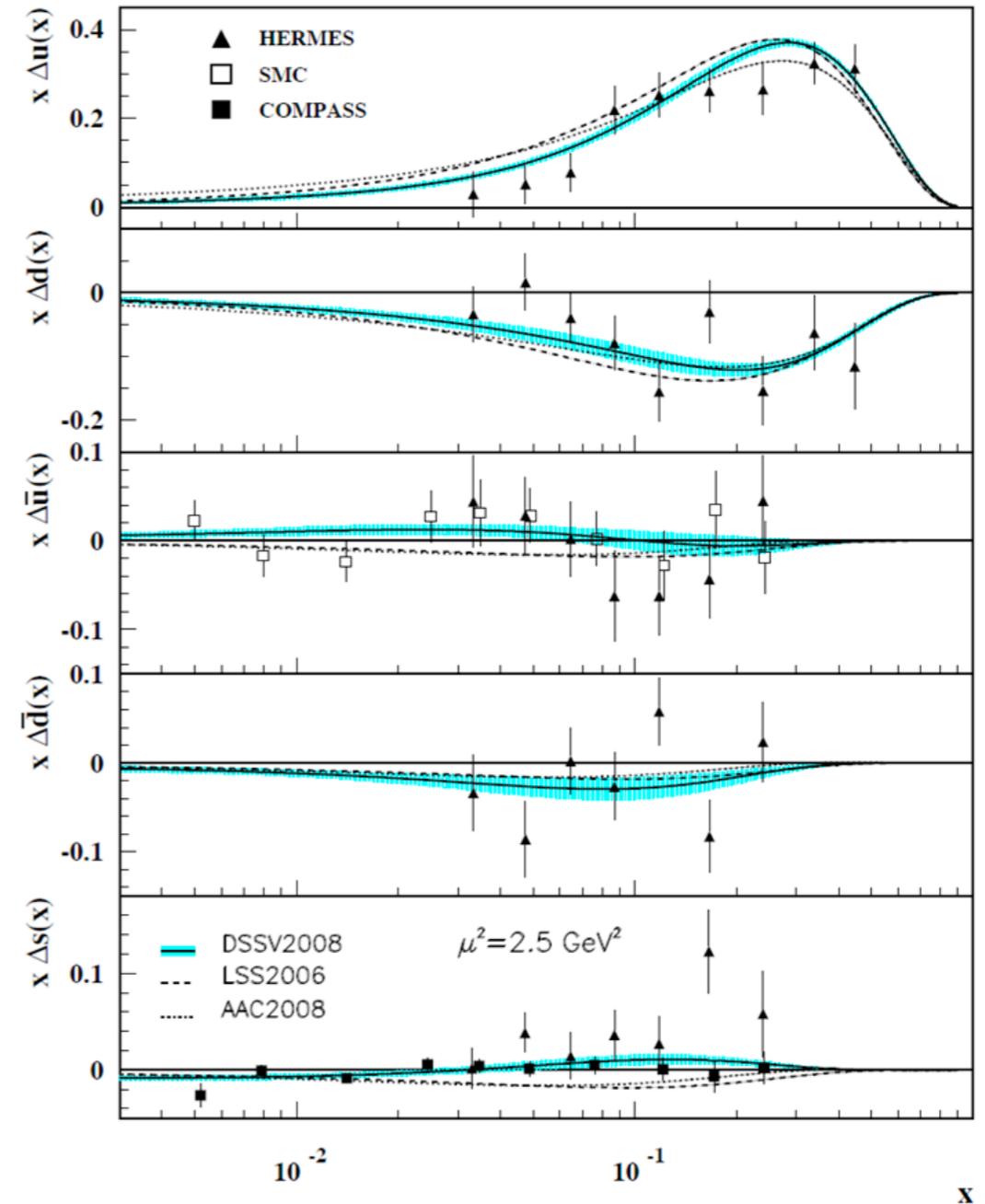
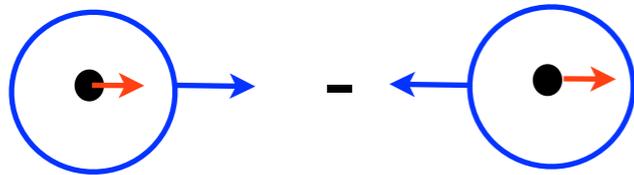


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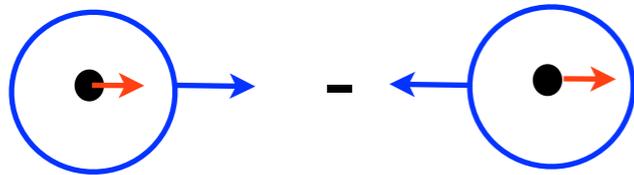
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parton helicity distribution in a **longitudinally polarized nucleon**:



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- **Experimental probes @ AFTER**
  - $W^{+/-}$  → individual helicity distribution of quark and anti-quark

