



# Charmonium production from SPS to LHC

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Probing the strong interaction at A Fixed  
Target ExpeRiment with LHC beams

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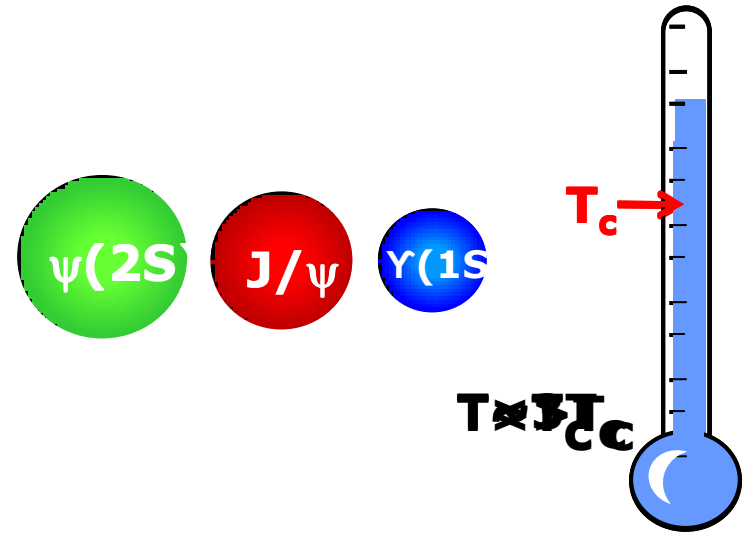
# From suppression...to (re)combination

Differences in the binding energies of the quarkonium states lead to a sequential melting of the states with increasing temperature

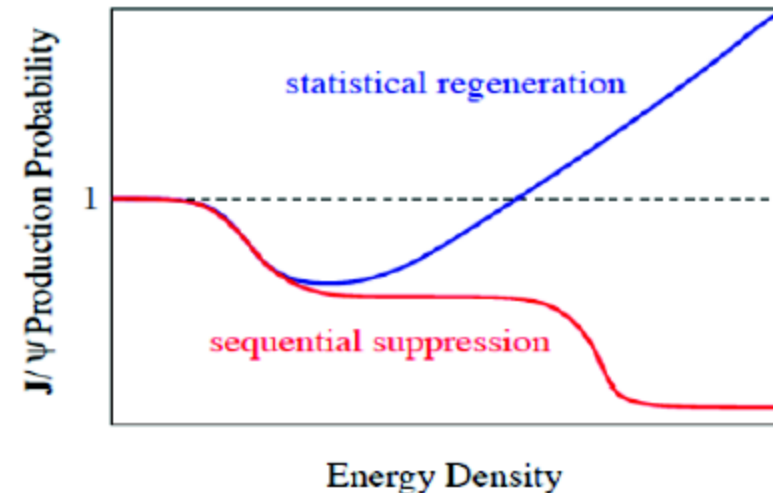
(Digal, Petrecki, Satz PRD 64(2001) 0940150)

→ thermometer of the initial QGP temperature

Increasing the energy of the collision the  $c\bar{c}$  pair multiplicity increases



In most central AA collisions	SPS 20 GeV	RHIC 200GeV	LHC 2.76TeV
$N_{c\bar{c}}$ /event	~0.2	~10	~75



An enhancement via (re)combination of  $c\bar{c}$  pairs producing quarkonia can take place at hadronization or during QGP stage

# How can we measure medium effects?

## → Nuclear modification factor $R_{AA}$ :

compare quarkonium yield in AA with the pp one, scaled by a geometrical factor (from Glauber model)

$$R_{AA}^{J/\psi} = \frac{Y_{AA}^{J/\psi}}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle \sigma_{pp}^{J/\psi}}$$

→ If yield scales with the number of binary collisions

$$\rightarrow R_{AA} = 1$$

→ If there are medium effects

$$\rightarrow R_{AA} \neq 1$$

### Cold Nuclear Matter effects (CNM):

- Nuclear parton shadowing
- Parton energy loss
- $c\bar{c}$  in medium dissociation



### Hot Medium effects:

- quarkonium suppression
- enhancement due to recombination



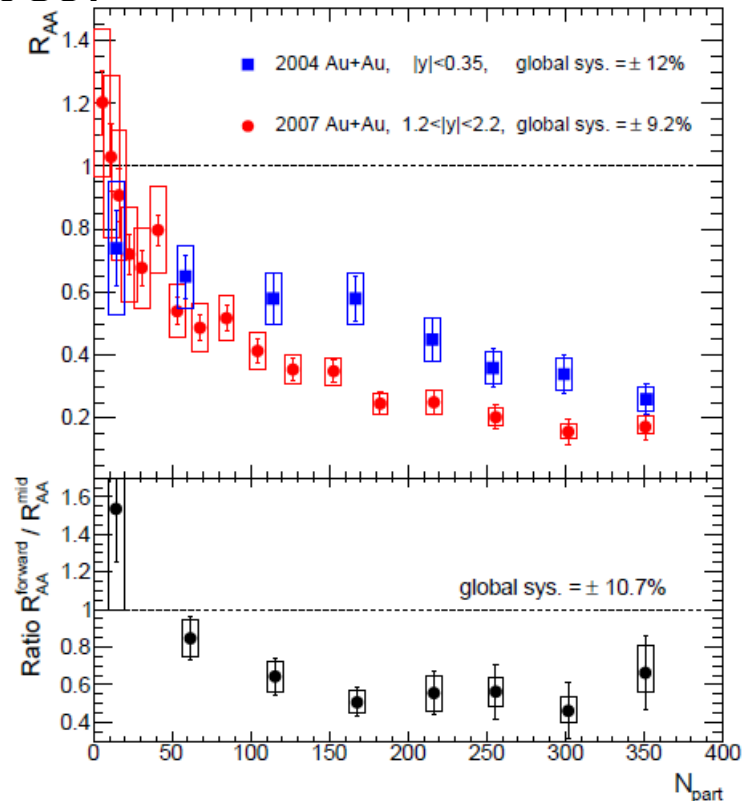
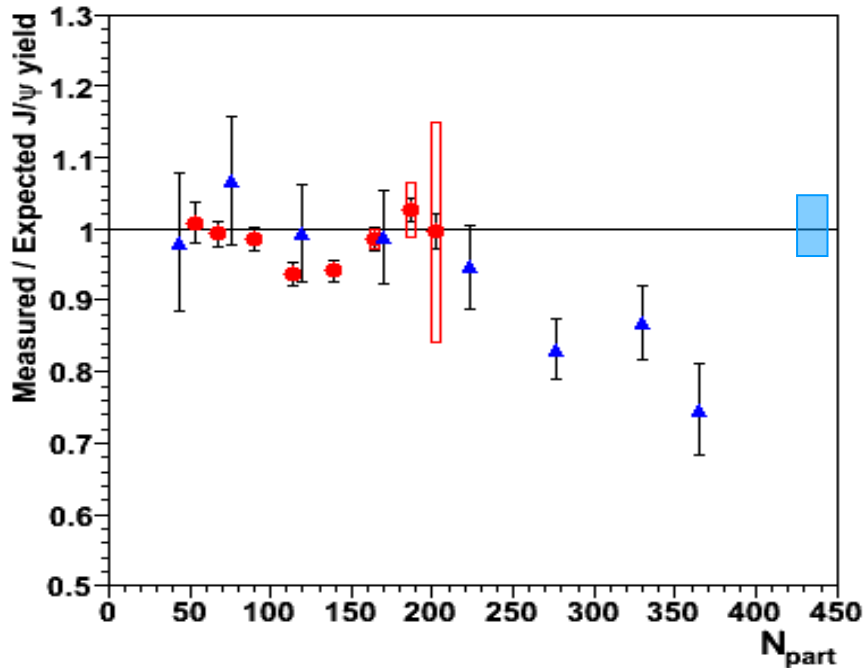
→ knowledge of CNM effects fundamental to disentangle genuine QGP induced suppression in AA

→ need infos on quarkonium production in pA (dA) collisions!

# "Low energy" experiments...

Charmonium production deeply investigated at

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**RHIC** (PHENIX, STAR)  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 39, 62.4, 200$  GeV



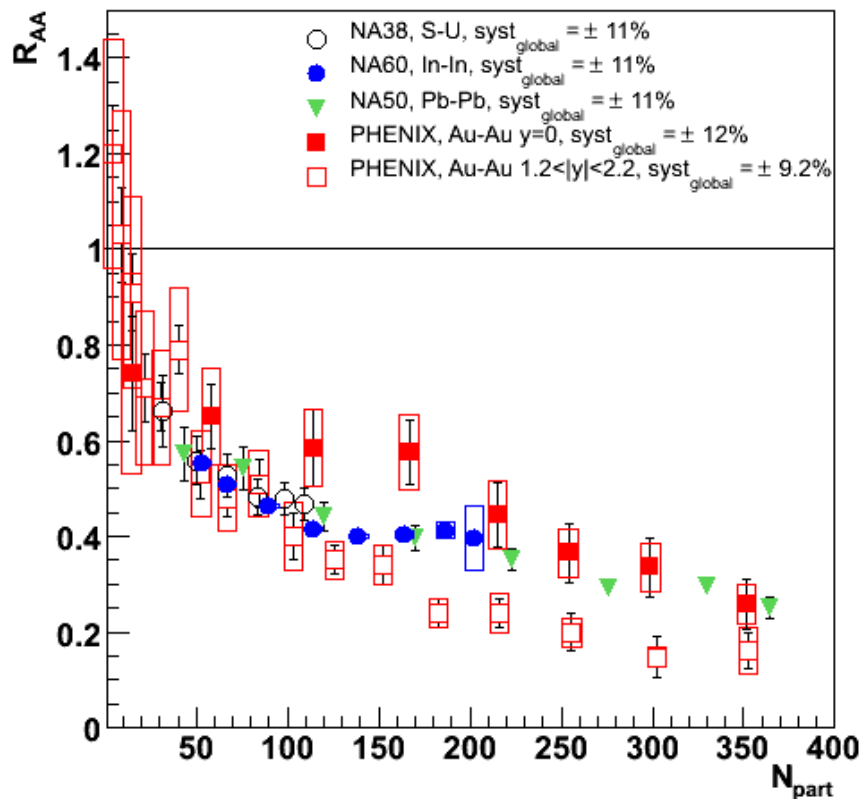
**SPS**: first evidence of anomalous suppression (i.e., beyond CNM expectations) in Pb-Pb at  $\sqrt{s} = 17$  GeV

**RHIC**: suppression, strongly  $y$ -dependent, in Au-Au at  $\sqrt{s} = 200$  GeV

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➔ 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?

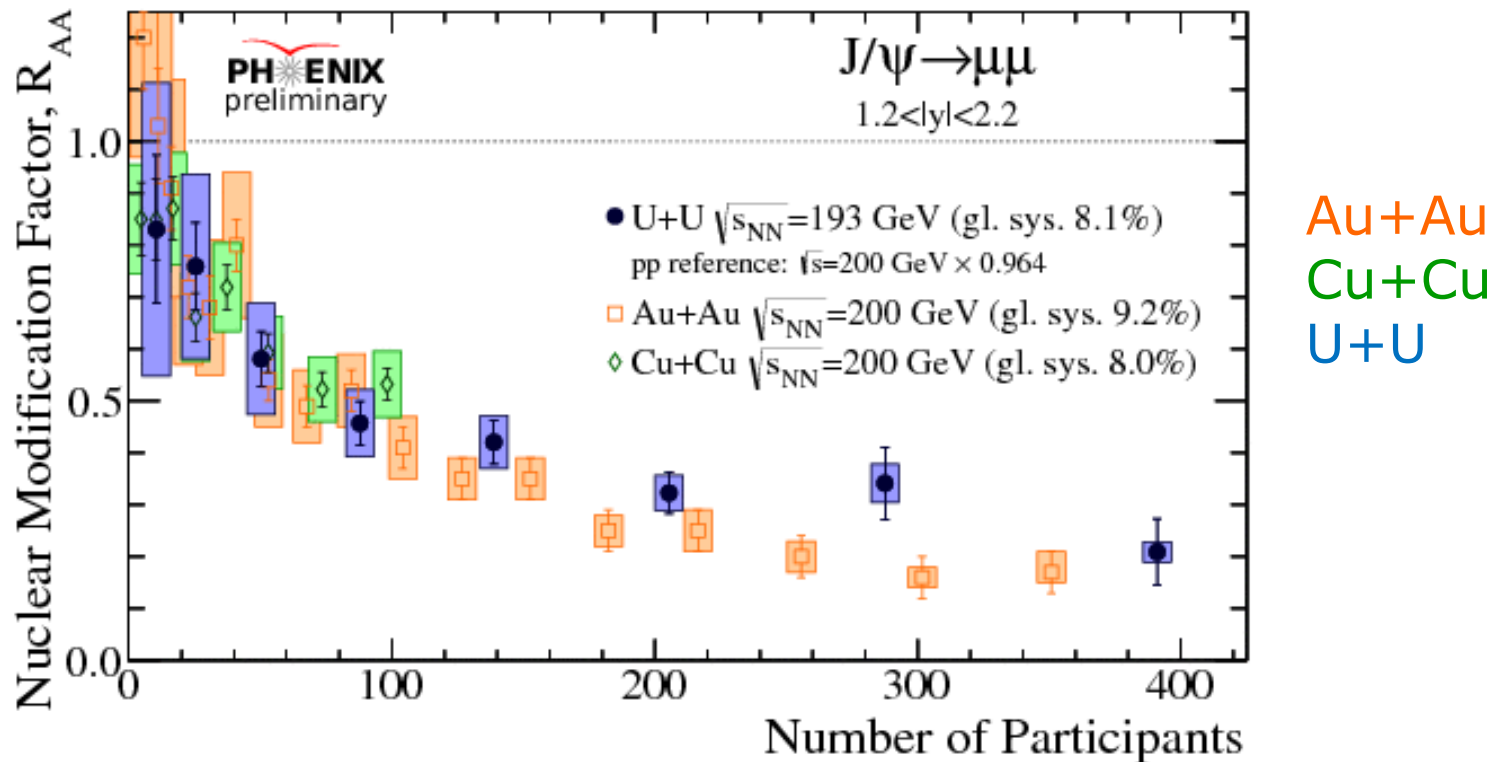
➔ No final theoretical explanation

➔ Decisive inputs expected from LHC results, having access to:

- higher energy
- larger cc multiplicity
- other quarkonium states (bottomonium)

# RHIC: results from different AA systems

➔ RHIC: quarkonium measurements done over a wide range of energies and collision species

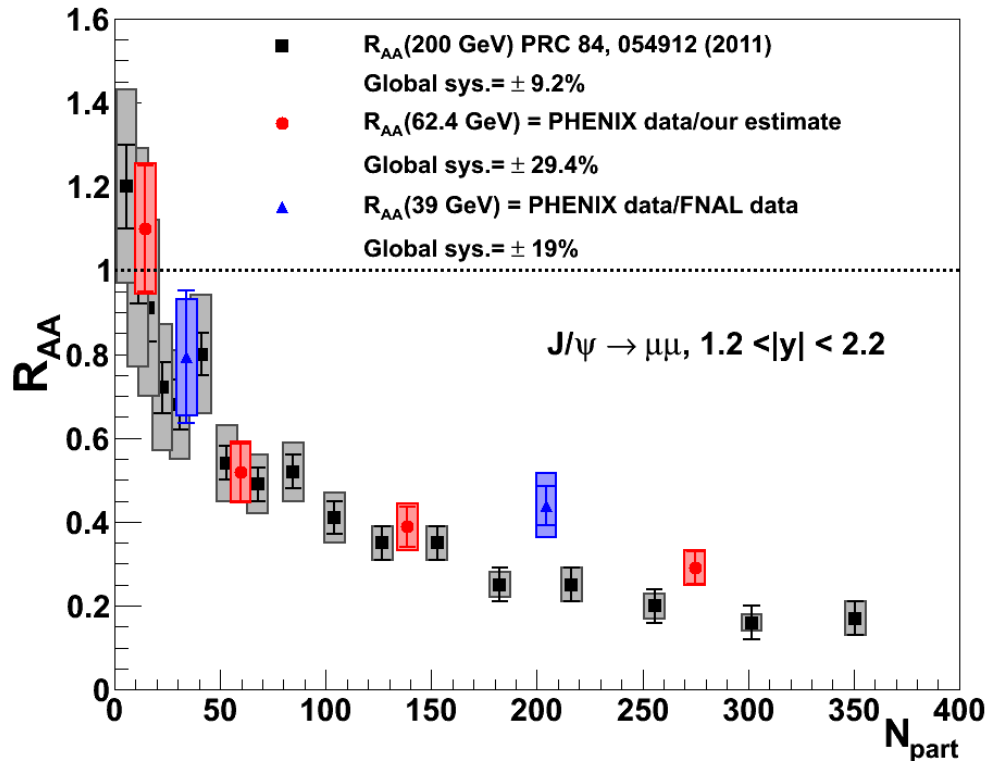


➔ Similar suppression across the different ion-ion collisions

# RHIC: results from different collision energy

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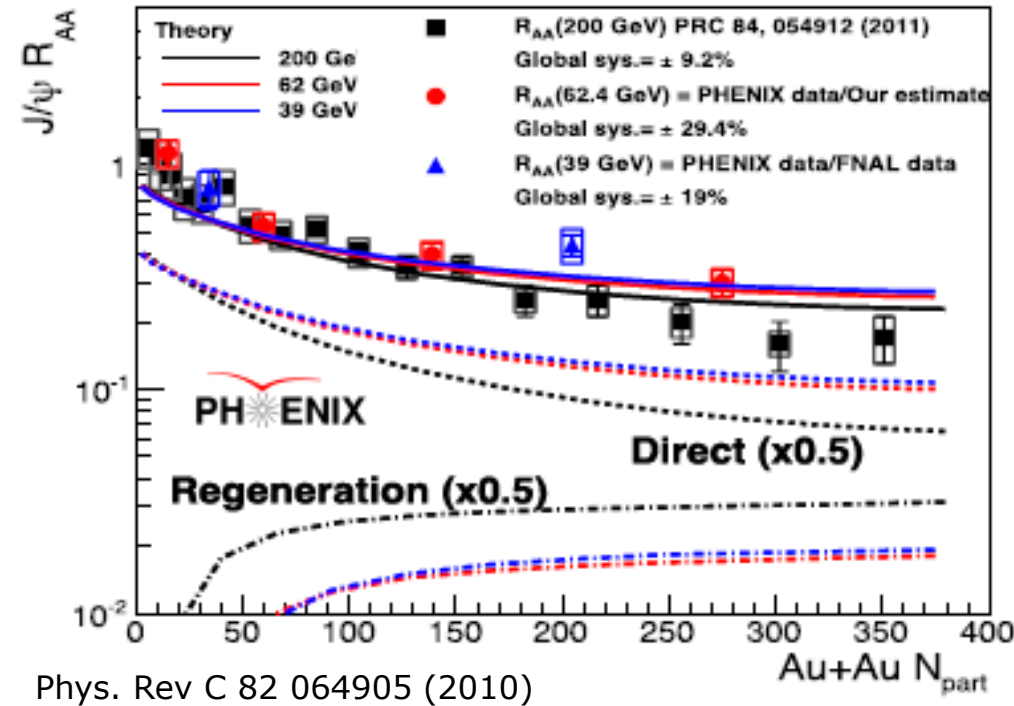
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→ Data can provide constraints for theoretical models

Similarity of  $R_{AA}$  at different  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$  may originate from interplay of suppression and regeneration contributions (direct suppression changes by  $\sim 50\%$ )

→ pp and pA data at the same energies are needed for more quantitative conclusions

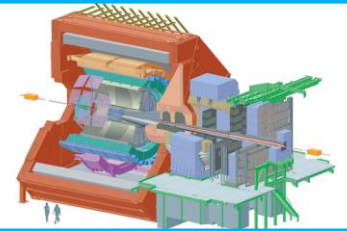


# LHC experiments

➔ Currently available AA and pA results:

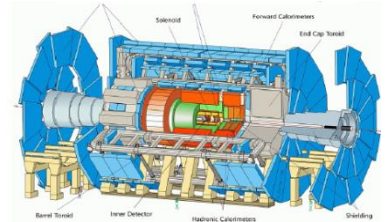
**ALICE**

$J/\psi, \psi(2S), \Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$   $2.5 < y < 4$   
 $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$   $|y| < 0.9$   
 $p_T$  coverage down to  $p_T \sim 0$



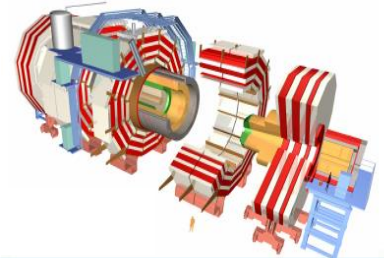
**ATLAS**

$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$   $|y| < 2.4$   $p_T J/\psi > 6.5 \text{ GeV}/c$



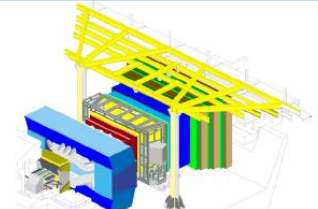
**CMS**

$J/\psi, \psi(2S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$   $|y| < 2.4$   $p_T > 6.5 \text{ GeV}/c$   
 $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$   $|y| < 2.4$   $p_T > 0$   
( $J/\psi$   $p_T$  coverage depends on  $y$ )



**LHCb**

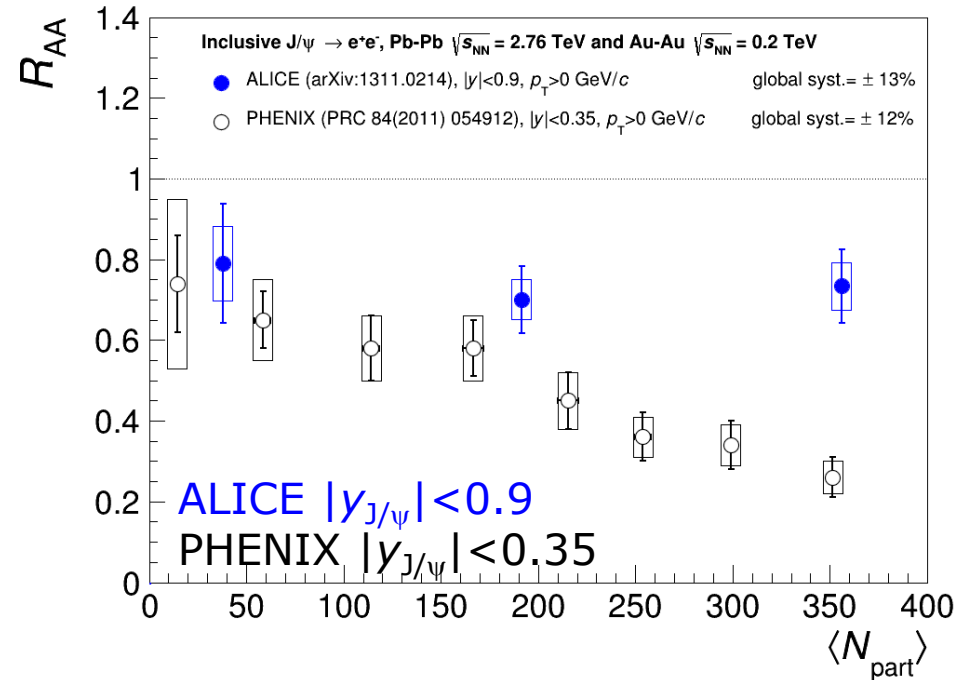
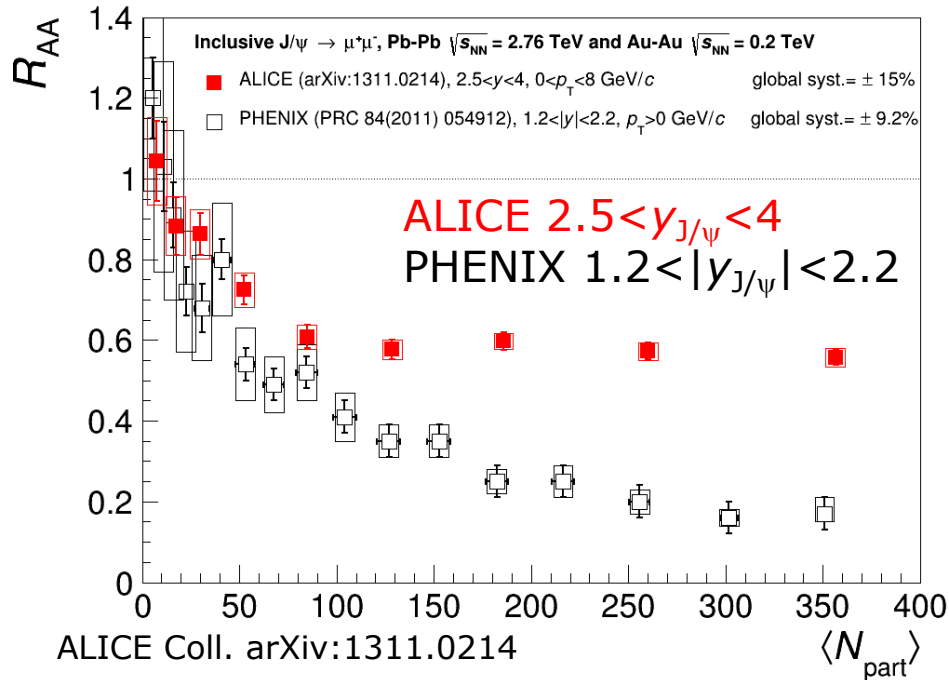
$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$   $2 < y < 4.5$   $p_T$  coverage  
down to  $p_T \sim 0$   
(no heavy ion physics program)



➔ Complementary quarkonium results from LHC experiments

# ALICE: low $p_T$ $J/\psi$

➔ How does RHIC suppression compare to LHC results?



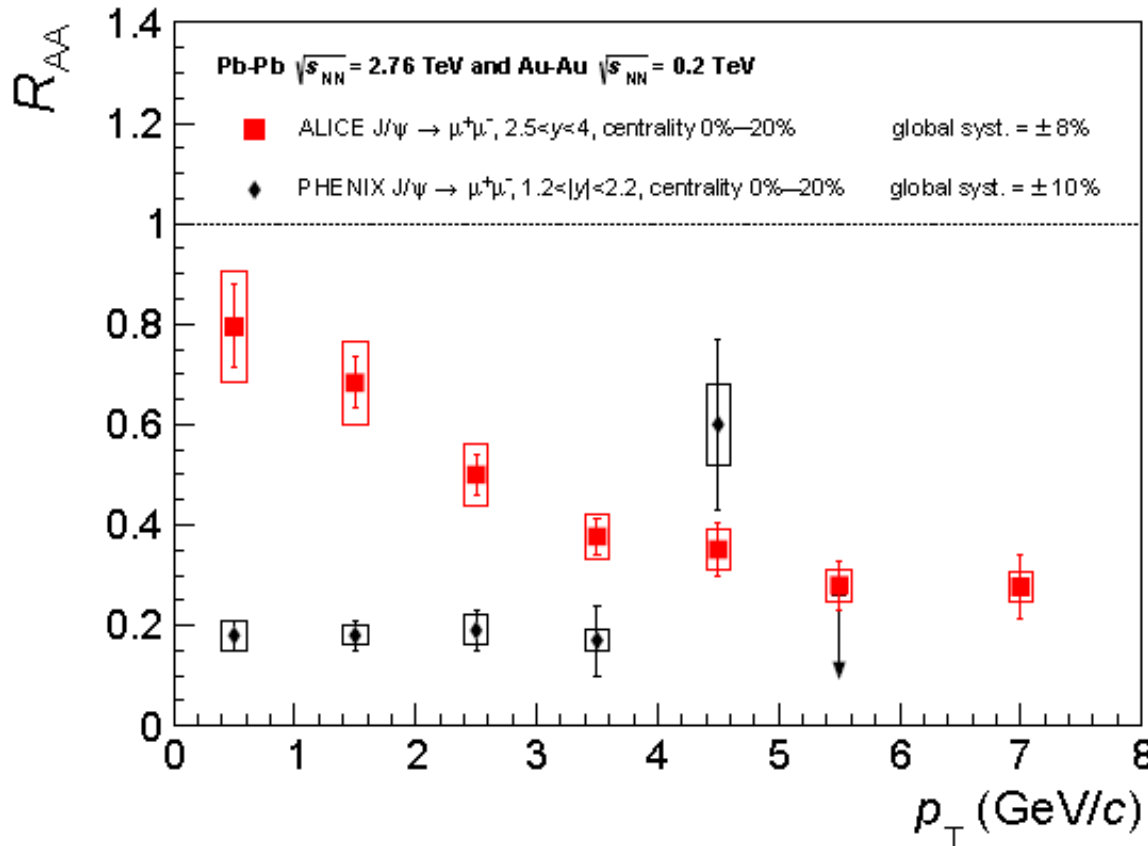
- ➔ Clear  $J/\psi$  suppression with almost no centrality dependence above  $N_{part} \sim 100$
- ➔ Less  $J/\psi$  suppression at mid-rapidity wrt forward  $y$  for central events

- ➔ Comparison with PHENIX: ALICE results show weaker centrality dependence and smaller suppression for central events

➔ Is this the expected signature for (re)combination ?

# ALICE $R_{AA}$ vs $p_T$

➔  $J/\psi$  production via (re)combination should be more important at low transverse momentum ➔  $p_T$  region accessible by ALICE



➔ Different suppression for low and high  $p_T$   $J/\psi$

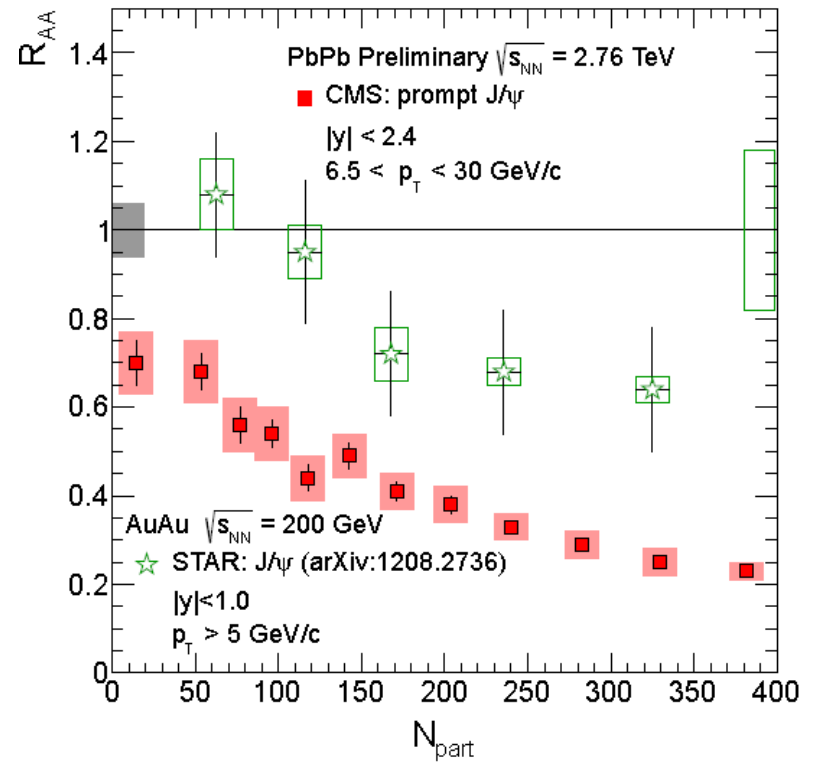
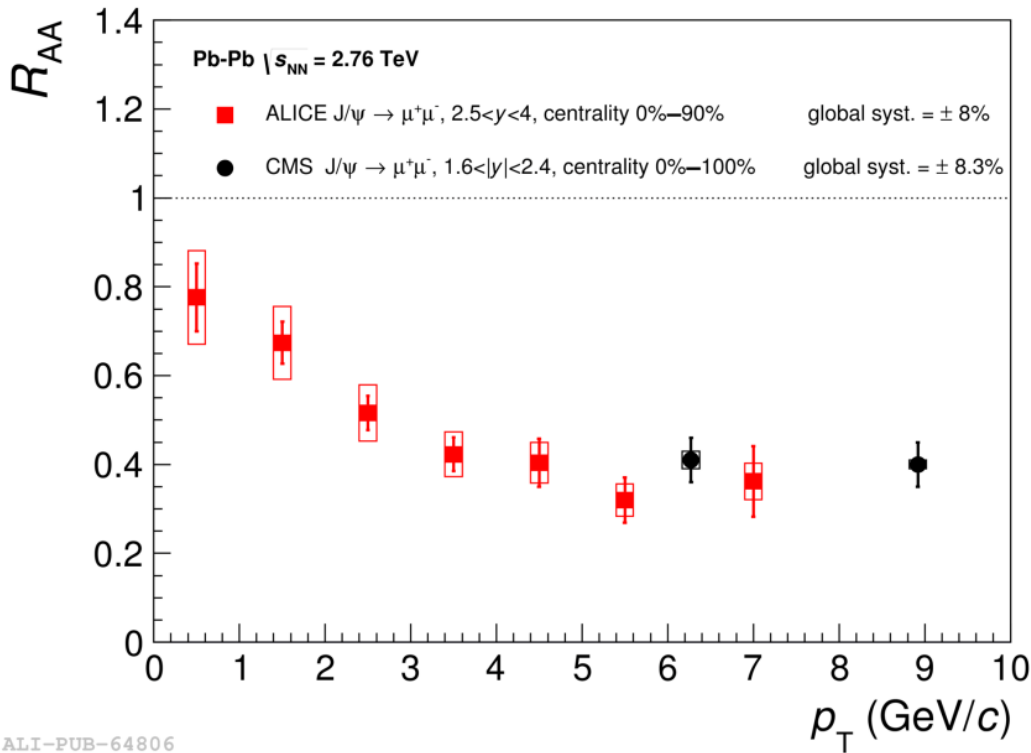
➔ Smaller  $R_{AA}$  for high  $p_T$   $J/\psi$

➔ Striking difference between the PHENIX and ALICE patterns, in particular at low  $p_T$



# CMS: high $p_T$ J/ $\psi$

➔ The high  $p_T$  region can be investigated by CMS!

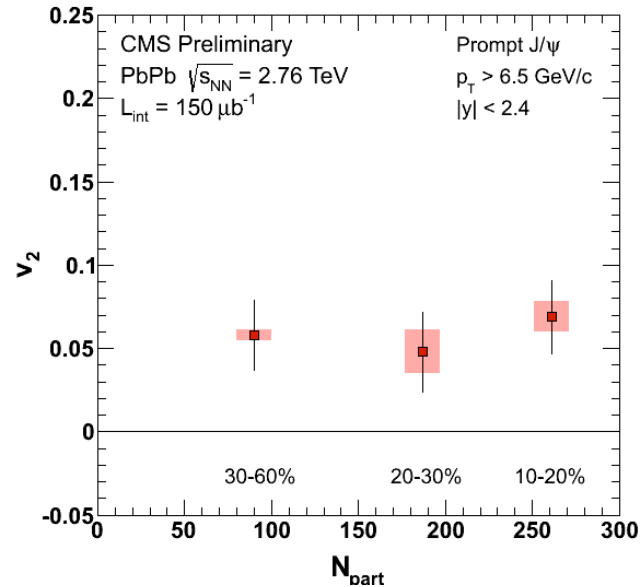
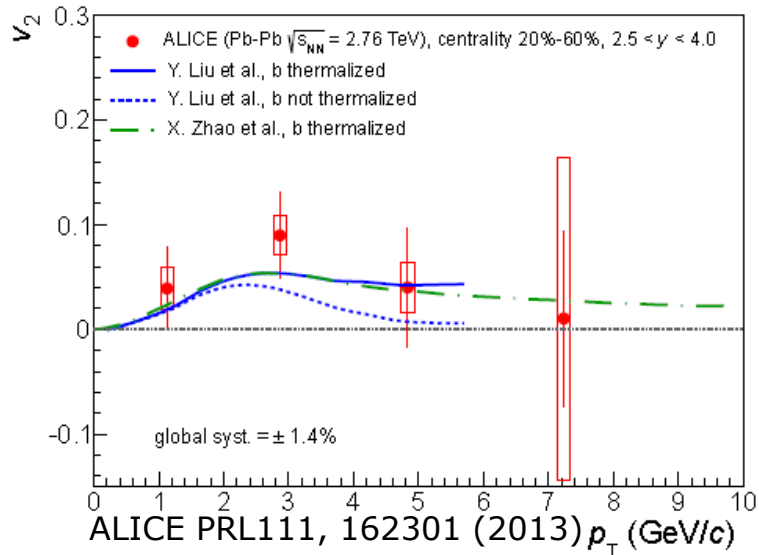


➔ Good agreement with ALICE (at high  $p_T$ ) in spite of the different rapidity range

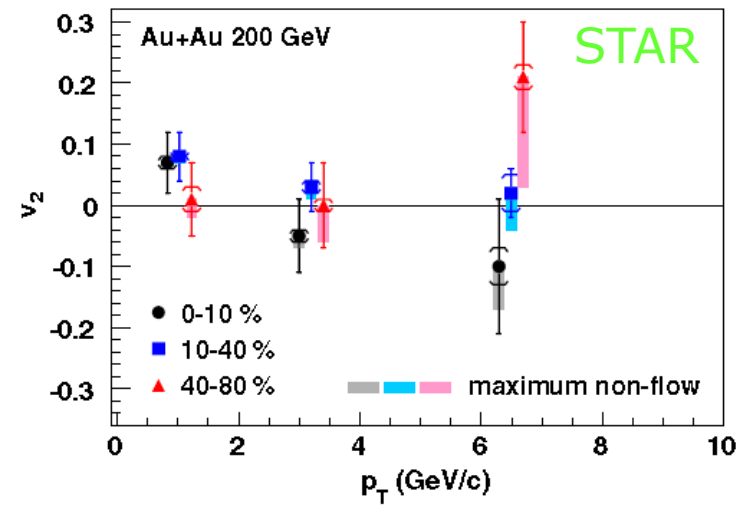
➔ High  $p_T$ : stronger J/ $\psi$  suppression at LHC wrt to RHIC (re-combination should not play a role)

# J/ψ flow

➔ The contribution of J/ψ from (re)combination should lead to a significant elliptic flow signal at LHC energy



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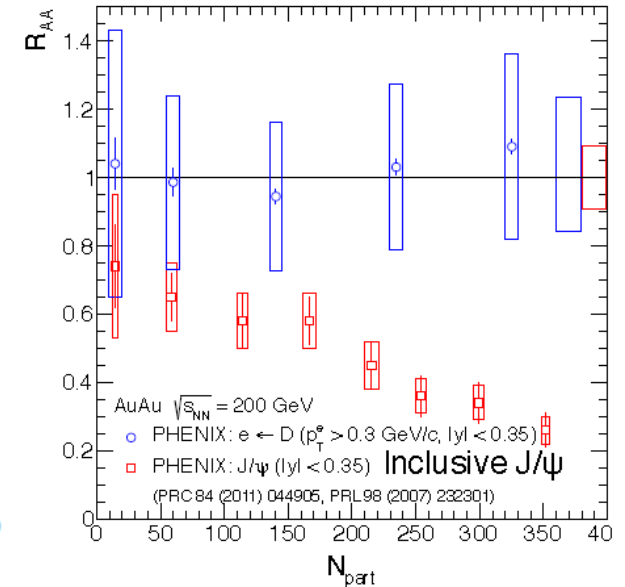
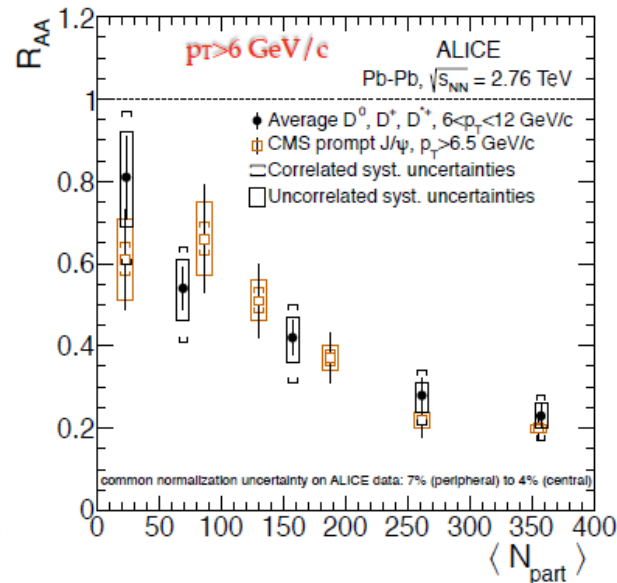
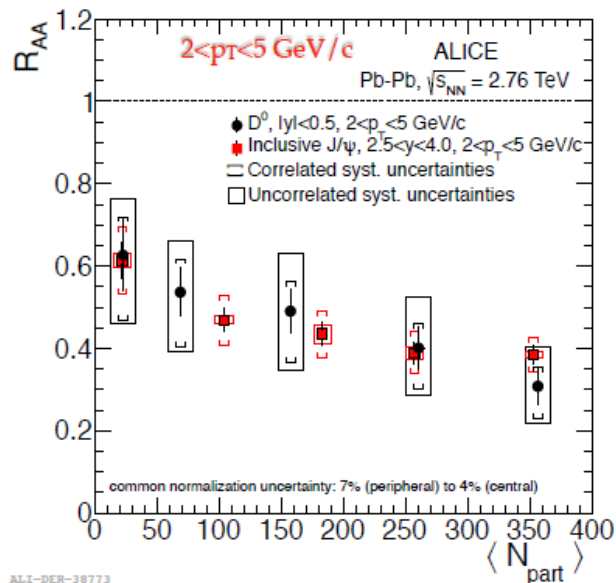
➔ Hint for J/ψ flow in heavy-ion collisions (LHC), contrary to  $v_2 \sim 0$  observed at RHIC!

- ➔ ALICE: qualitative agreement with transport models including regeneration
- ➔ CMS: path-length dependence of energy loss?

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# J/ψ vs D in AA collisions

➔ Open charm should be a very good reference to study J/ψ suppression (à la Satz)



➔ Interesting comparison between ALICE and CMS J/ψ compared to D

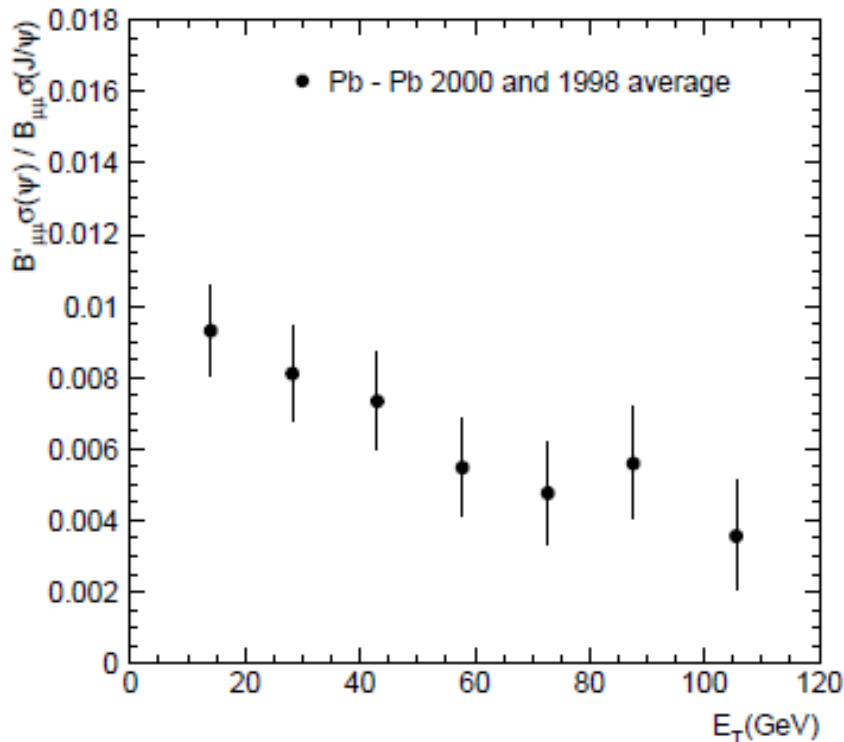
Caveat:  
complicate to compare J/ψ and D R<sub>AA</sub> at LHC because of restricted kinematic regions.  
Low p<sub>T</sub> D not accessible for the moment

➔ Different trend observed at low p<sub>T</sub> at RHIC.  
At high p<sub>T</sub> trend is similar to the LHC one

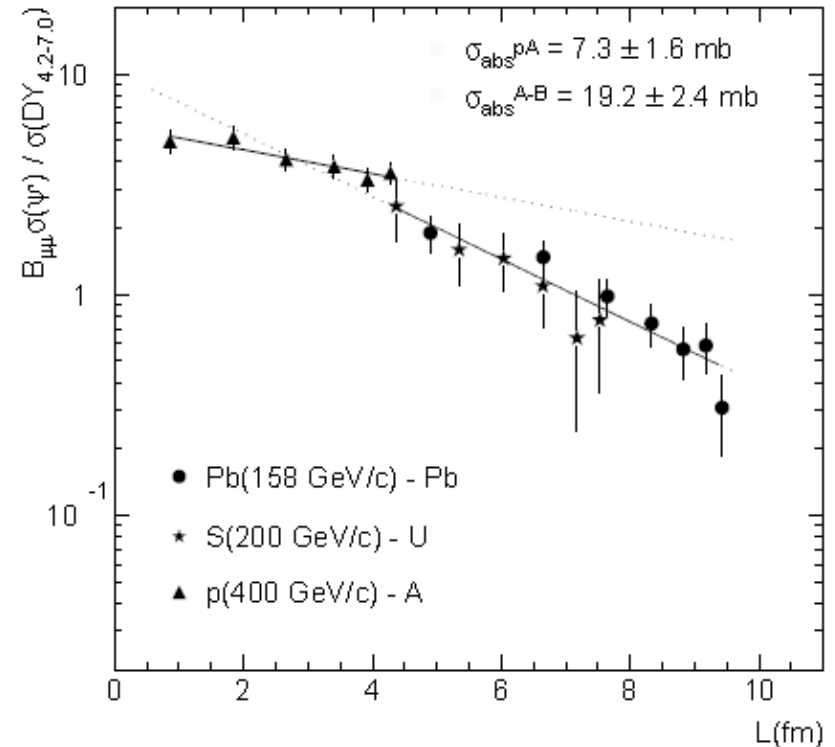
# $\psi(2S)$ in AA at lower energy exp.

Study of other charmonium states can help constraining theoretical models

$\psi(2S)$  much less bound than  $J/\psi$



B. Alessandro et al.(NA50),EPJC49 (2007) 559



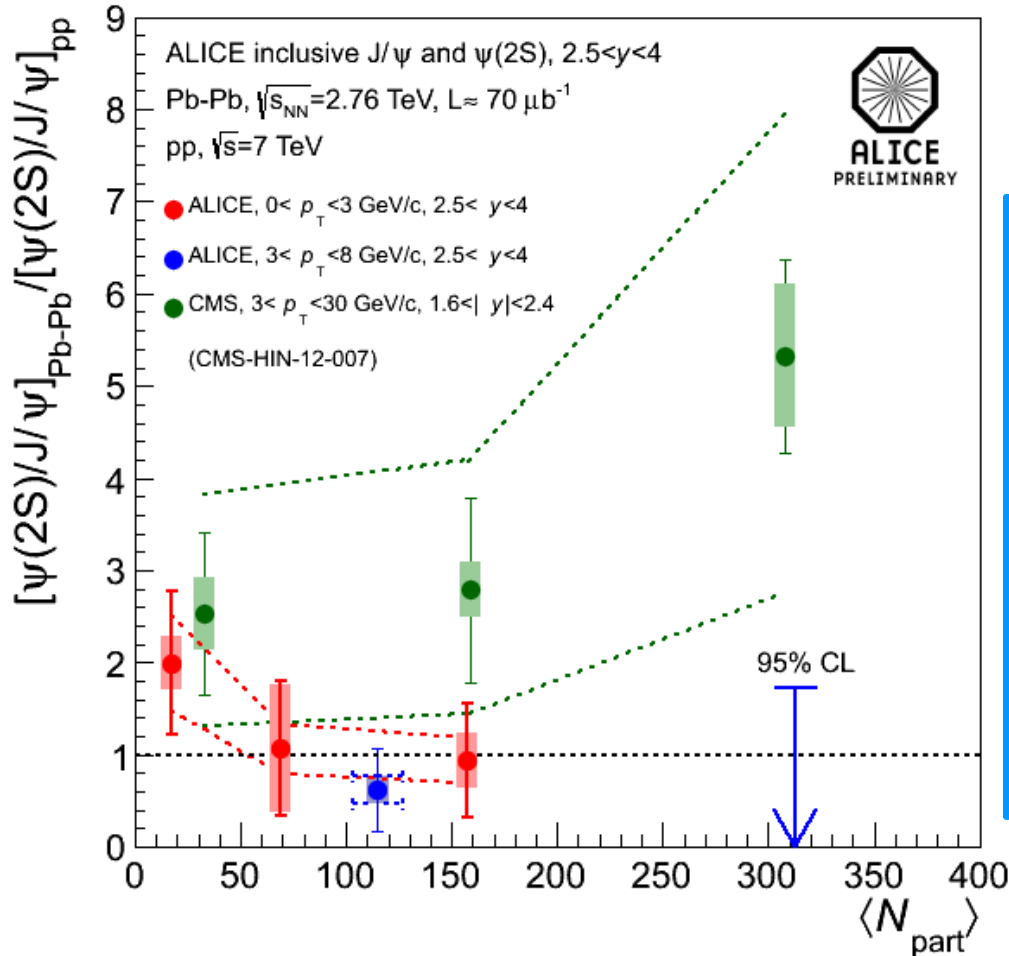
At SPS,  $\psi(2S)$  is more suppressed than  $J/\psi$  and the suppression increases with centrality

Stronger suppression already for peripheral events (compared to  $J/\psi$ , where the anomalous suppression sets in at higher  $L$ )



# $\psi(2S)$ in Pb-Pb at LHC

➔  $\psi(2S)$  studied by both CMS and ALICE (different kinematics) comparing the  $\psi(2S)$  yield to the  $J/\psi$  one in Pb-Pb and in pp



➔ Difference trend in ALICE and CMS:

Strong centrality enhancement excluded in ALICE data

large statistics and systematic errors prevent a firm conclusion on the  $\psi(2S)$  enhancement or suppression versus centrality

# Where are we?

28 years after first suppression prediction, this is observed in the charmonium (and bottomonium) sector with very good accuracy!

Two main mechanisms at play:

1. Suppression in a deconfined medium
2. Re-combination (for charmonium) at high  $\sqrt{s}$

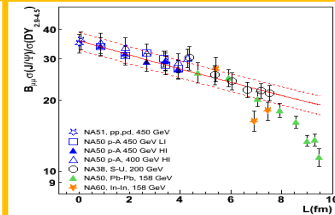
can qualitatively explain the main features of the results

To move towards a more quantitative understanding, a precise knowledge of cold nuclear matter effects is crucial!

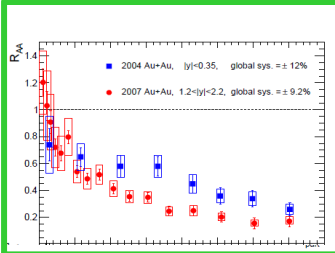
pA/dA results, where no hot medium should be formed, are needed to:

1. investigate initial/final state CNM effects on  $J/\psi$ : shadowing, energy loss, parton saturation effects, cc break-up in the medium...
2. build a reference for AA collisions

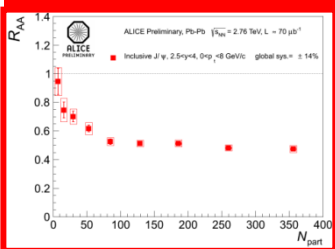
## SPS



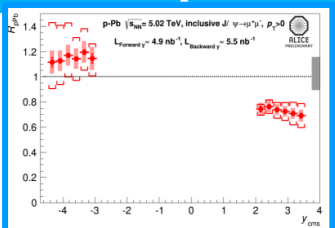
## RHIC dA, AA



## LHC AA



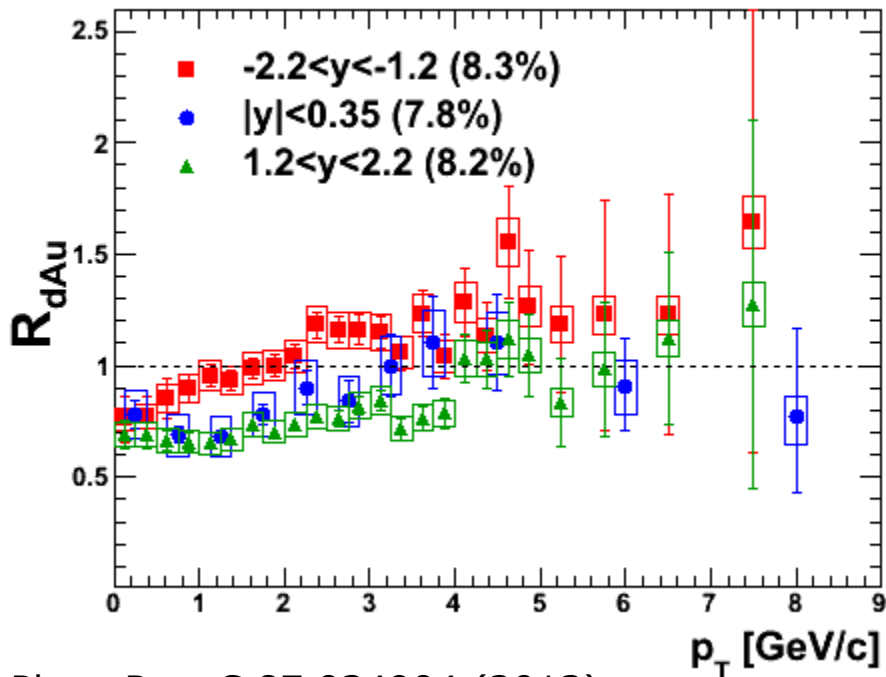
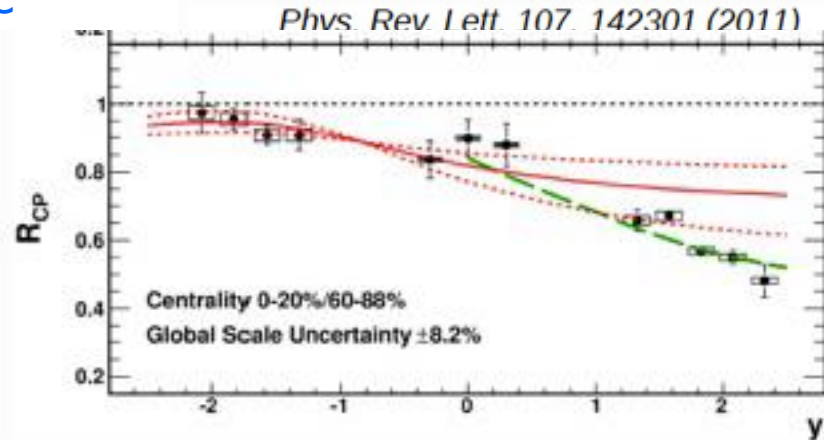
## LHC pA



# J/ψ production in d-Au

→ CNM effects studied in a large kinematic range  
→ different mechanisms playing a role

Strong centrality dependence, not expected from EPS09 with linear dependence on nuclear thickness + break-up  $\sigma$



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J/ψ  $R_{dAu}$  vs  $p_T$ :  
shape is similar at forward and mid- $y$   
→ shadowing+Cronin+break-up contributions might explain the pattern

different shape at backward  $y$   
→ not easy to be explained by models

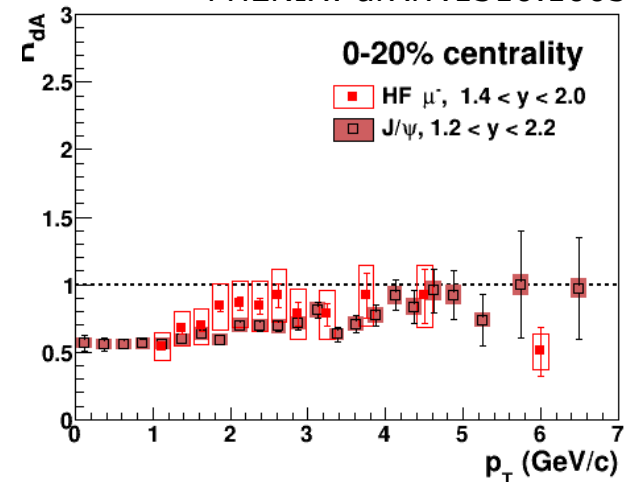
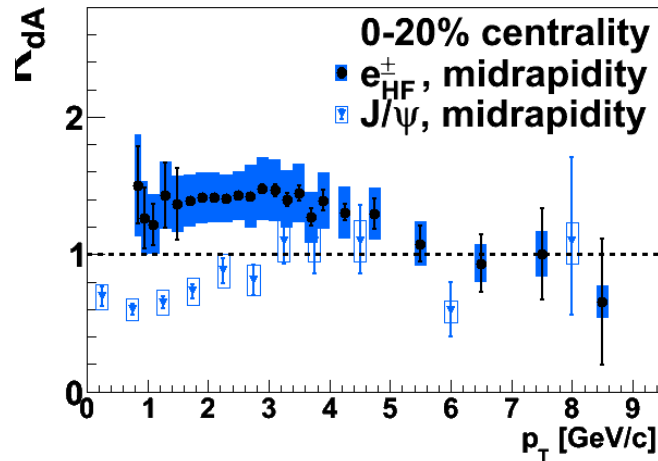
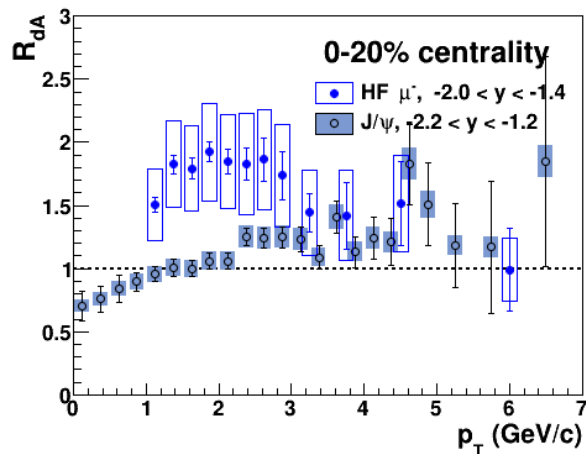
→ No models describes simultaneously  $y$ ,  $p_T$  and centrality dependence **19**

# J/ψ and HF in d-Au

HF and quarkonia are sensitive to similar initial state effects, apart from charmonium in medium break-up

Can further constraints on charmonium break-up be inferred from the comparison to HF  $R_{AA}$  ?

PHENIX: arXiv:1310.1005

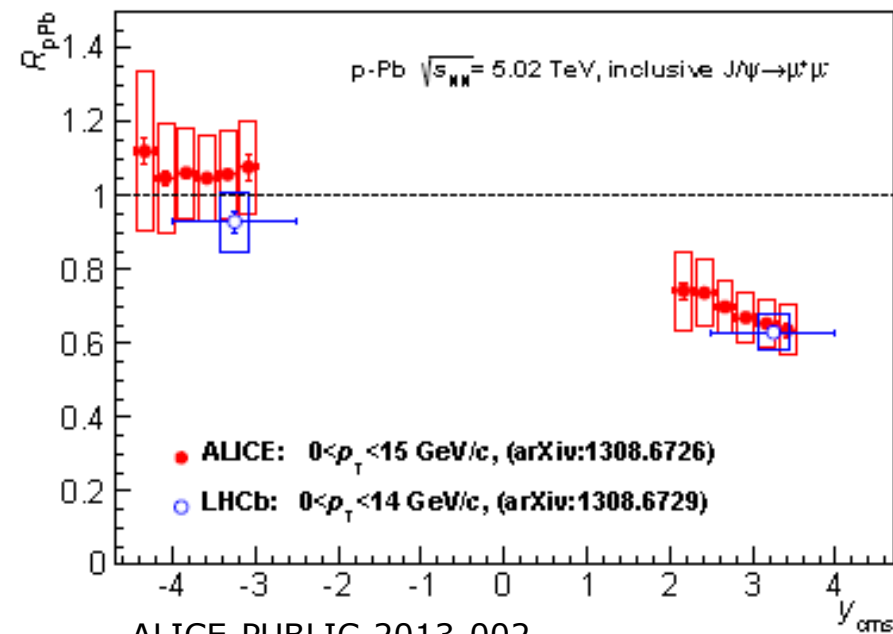


Mid and backward rapidity: different pattern  $\rightarrow$  enhanced HF versus suppressed J/ψ Additional J/ψ break-up due to longer cc medium crossing time?

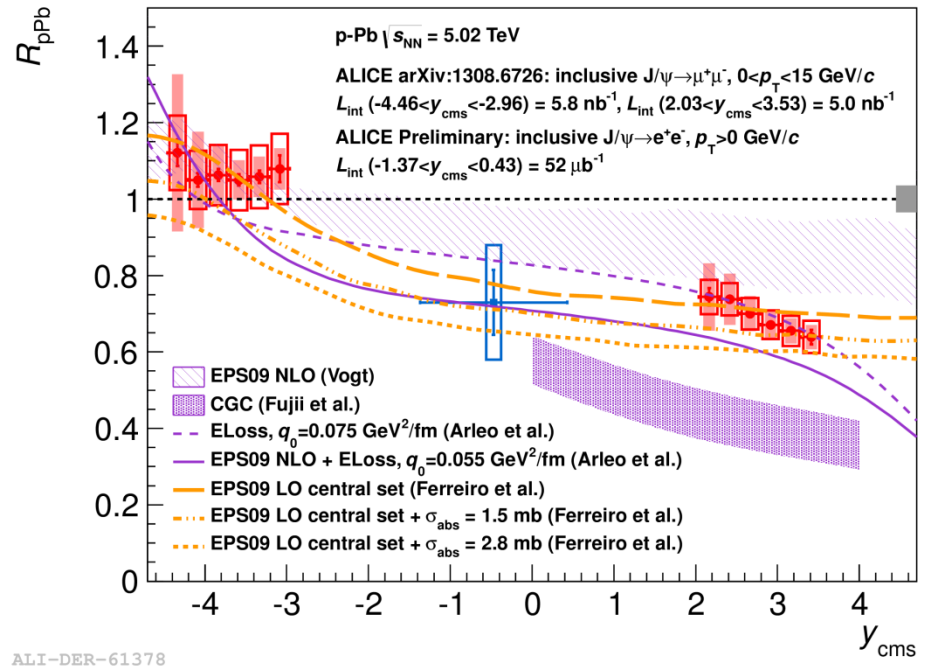
Forward  $y$ : similar  $R_{AA}$  pattern for J/ψ and HF

Caveat: different kinematic

# pA: J/ψ $R_{pA}$ vs $y$



ALICE-PUBLIC-2013-002,  
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➔  $R_{pA}$  decreases towards forward  $y$

➔ **Theoretical predictions:** reasonable agreement with

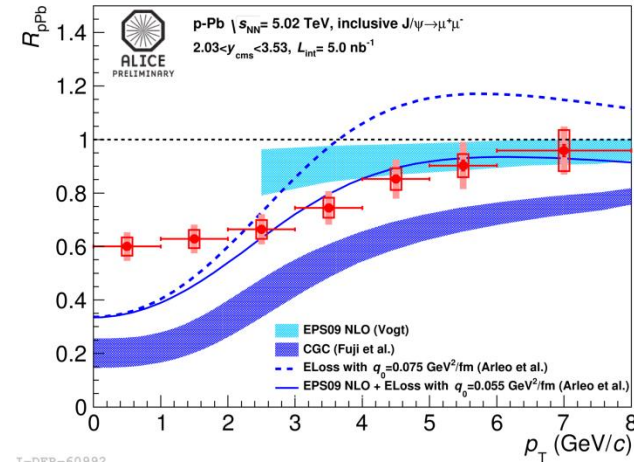
- shadowing EPS09 NLO calculations (R. Vogt) or EPS09 LO (E. Ferreiro et al)
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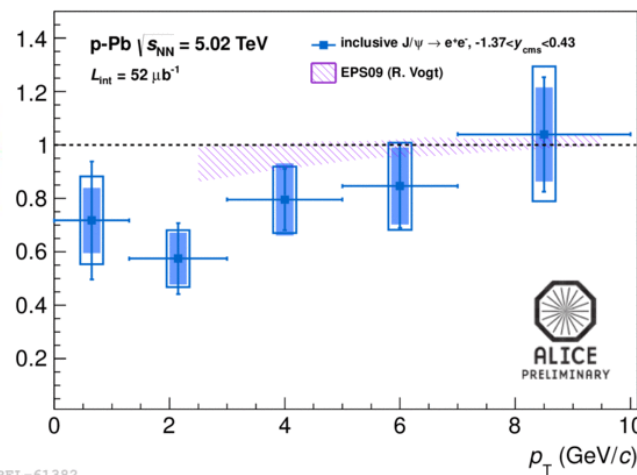
➔ Very good agreement between ALICE vs LHCb results

# J/ψ nuclear modification factor $R_{pA}$ vs $p_T$

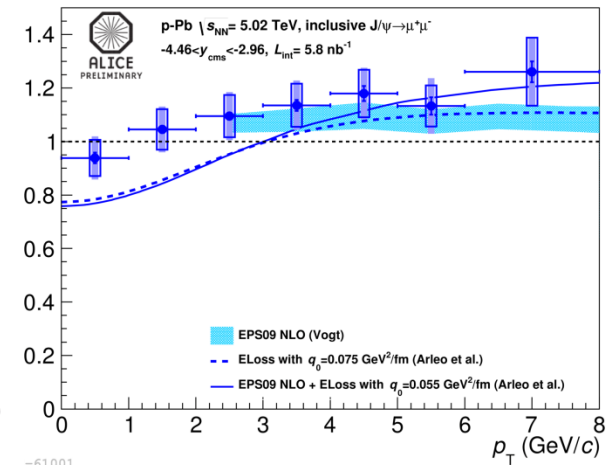
## Forward rapidity



## Mid-rapidity



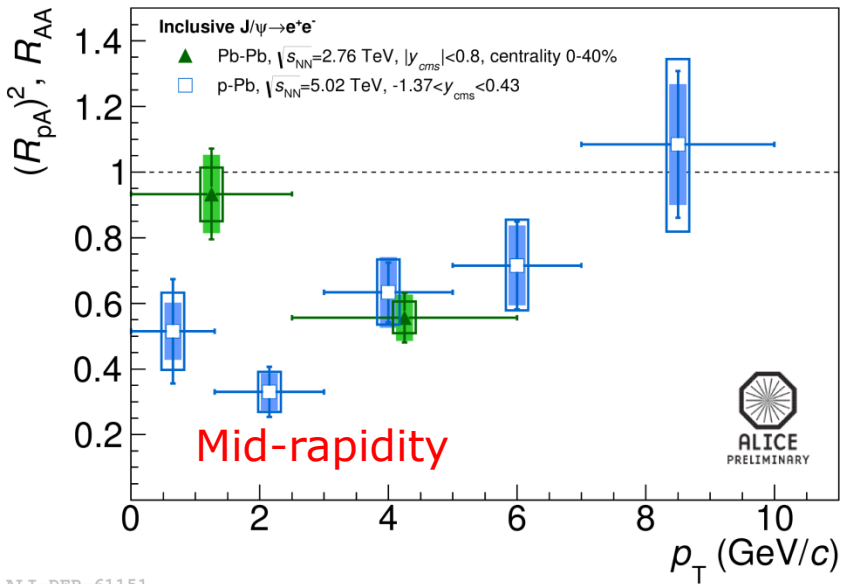
## Backward rapidity



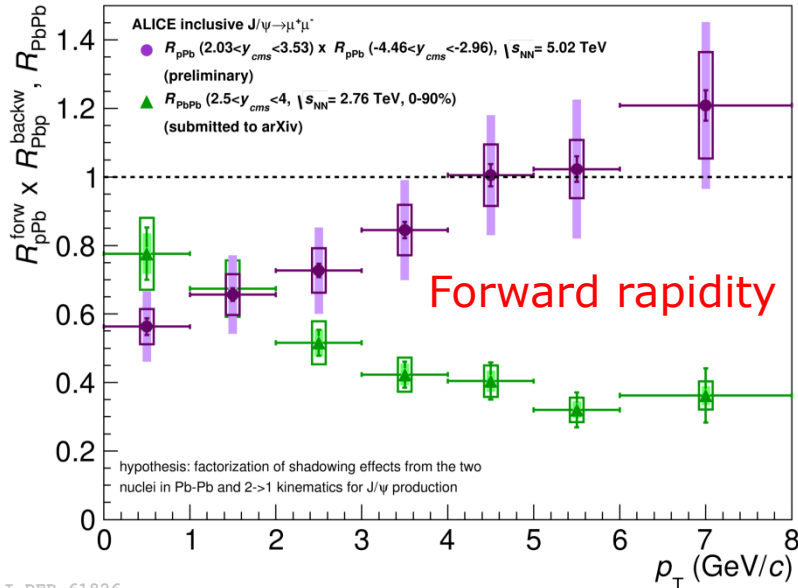
- ➔ Forward  $y$ :  $R_{pA}$  increases towards high  $p_T$
- ➔ Mid-rapidity:  $R_{pA}$  tends to increase vs  $p_T$
- ➔ Backward  $y$ :  $R_{pA}$  is rather flat and close to unity

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# J/ψ $R_{pPb}(p_T)$ vs $R_{PbPb}(p_T)$



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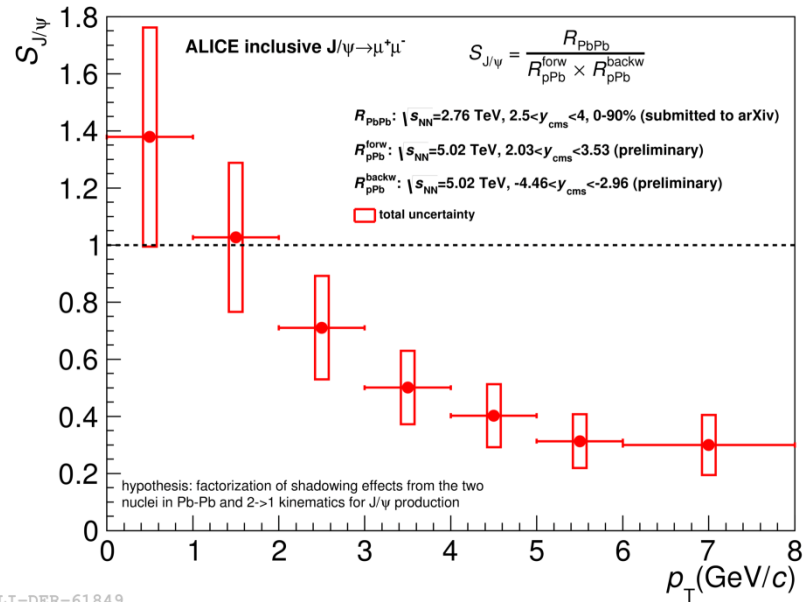


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## Hypothesis:

2→1 kinematics for J/ψ production  
 → similar  $x_g$  in spite of different  $\sqrt{s}$  and  $y$   
 factorization of shadowing effects in p-Pb and Pb-Pb:

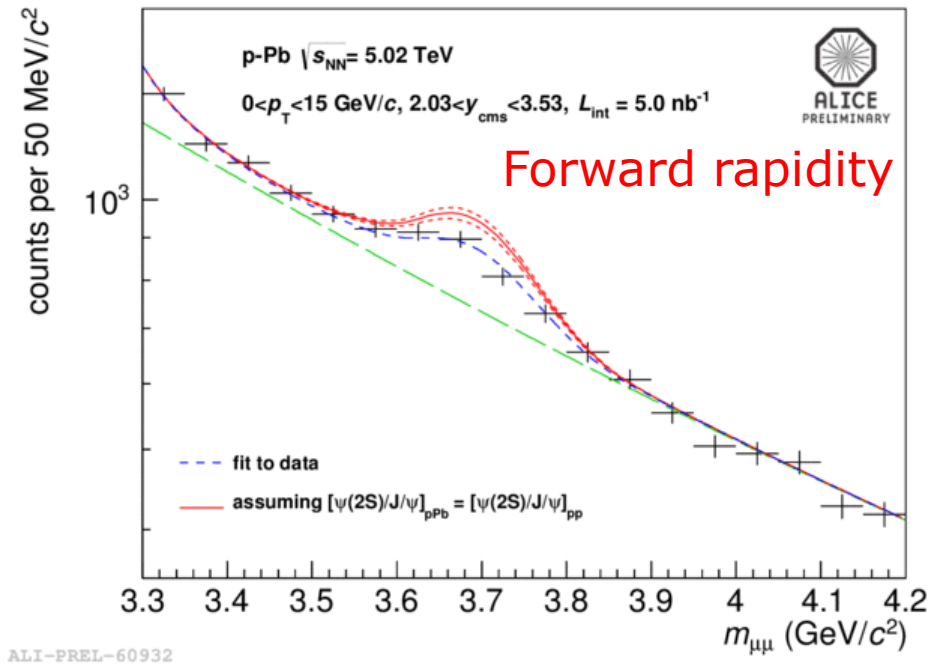
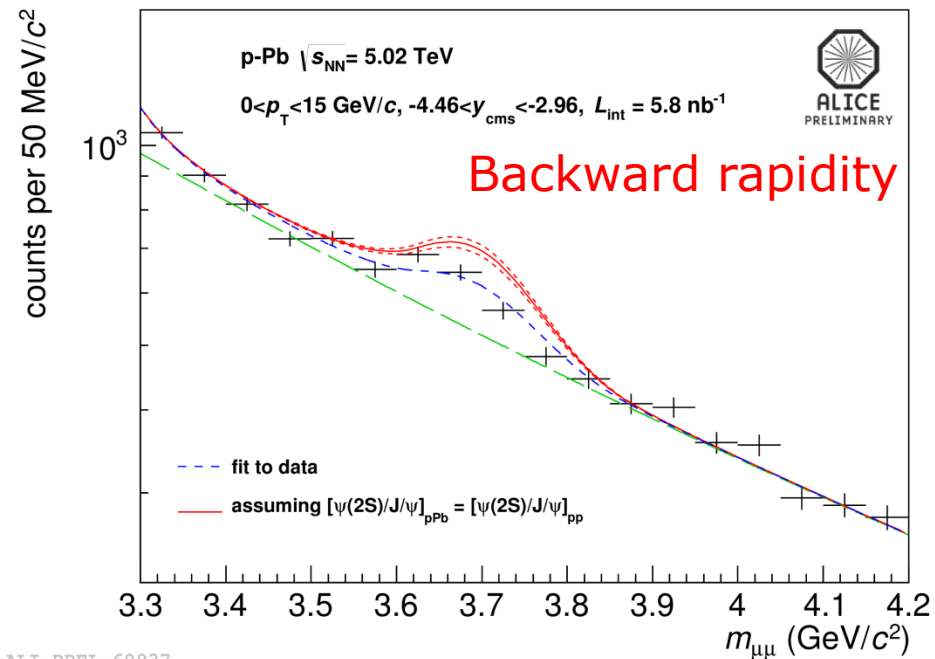
$$R_{PbPb}^{shad} = R_{pPb} \times R_{Pbp}$$



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➔  $R_{PbPb}$  enhanced at low  $p_T$  when corrected by this shadowing evaluation

# $\psi(2S)$ measurements in p-A

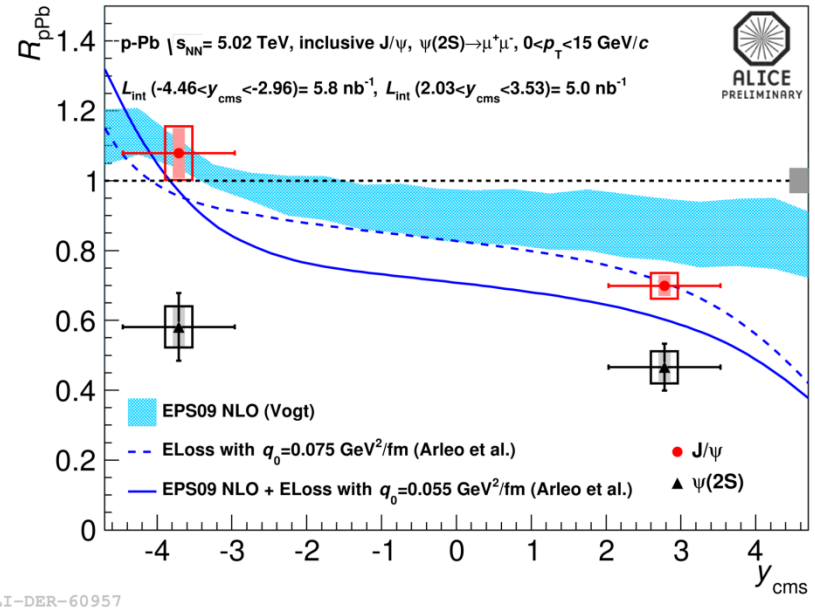
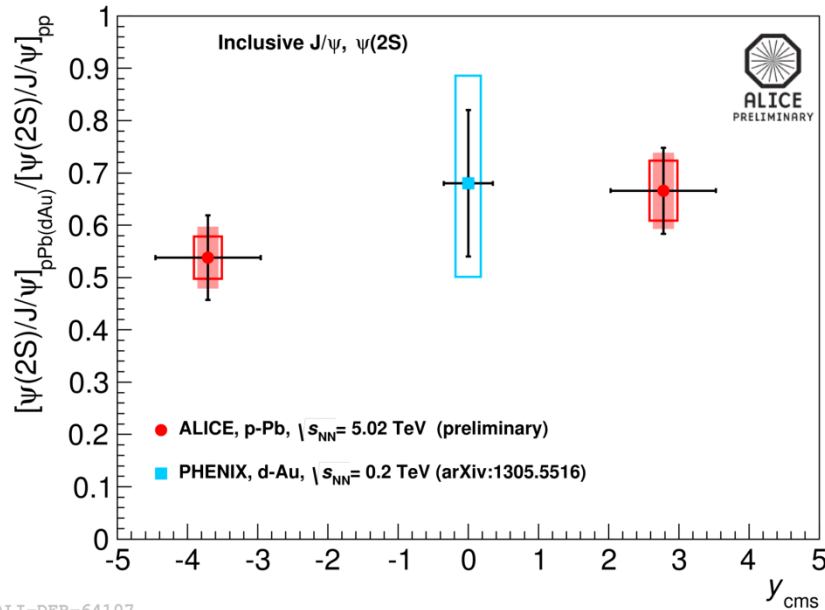


➔  $\psi(2S)$  is clearly suppressed in p-A wrt pp (at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV)



# $\psi(2S)$ measurements in p-A

➔  $\psi(2S)/J/\psi$  strongly decreased from pp to p-Pb

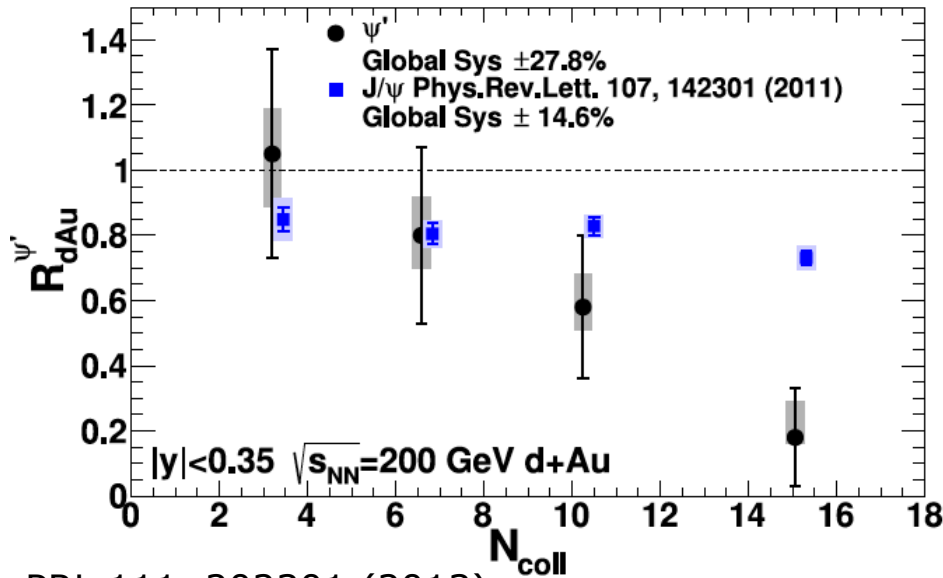


➔  $\psi(2S)/J/\psi$  suppression is observed also in mid-rapidity d-Au results at  $\sqrt{s} = 200$  GeV

➔ Shadowing and/or coherent energy loss don't explain the stronger  $\psi(2S)$  suppression (same treatment for  $\psi(2S)$  and  $J/\psi$ )

➔ Hot medium effects?

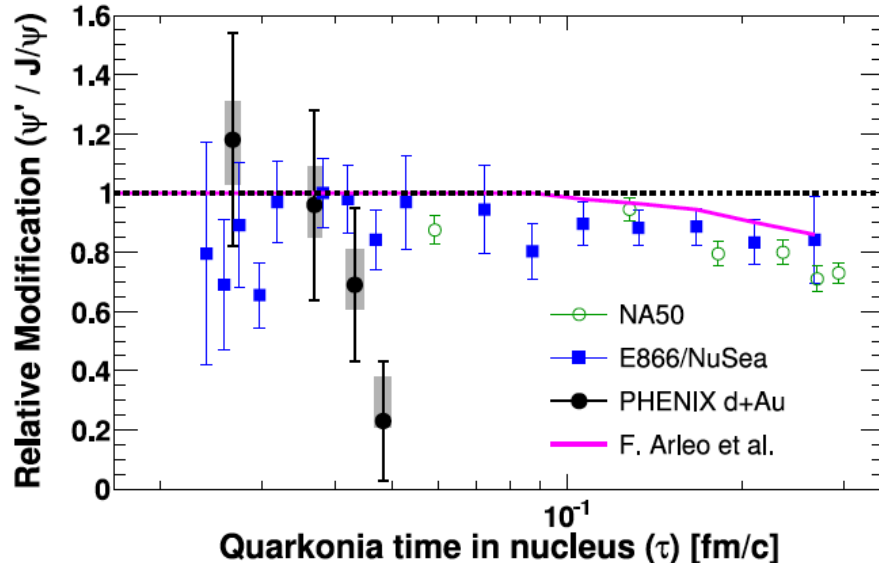
# $\psi(2S)$ measurements in d-Au



➔  $\psi(2S) \sim 3$  times more suppressed than J/ $\psi$  in central events

➔ If  $\psi(2S)$  suppression is due to the break-up of the pre-resonant state, it should be identical to J/ $\psi$

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➔ Near future: p-Cu, p-Si, p-Au in 2015 at RHIC!

# Conclusions

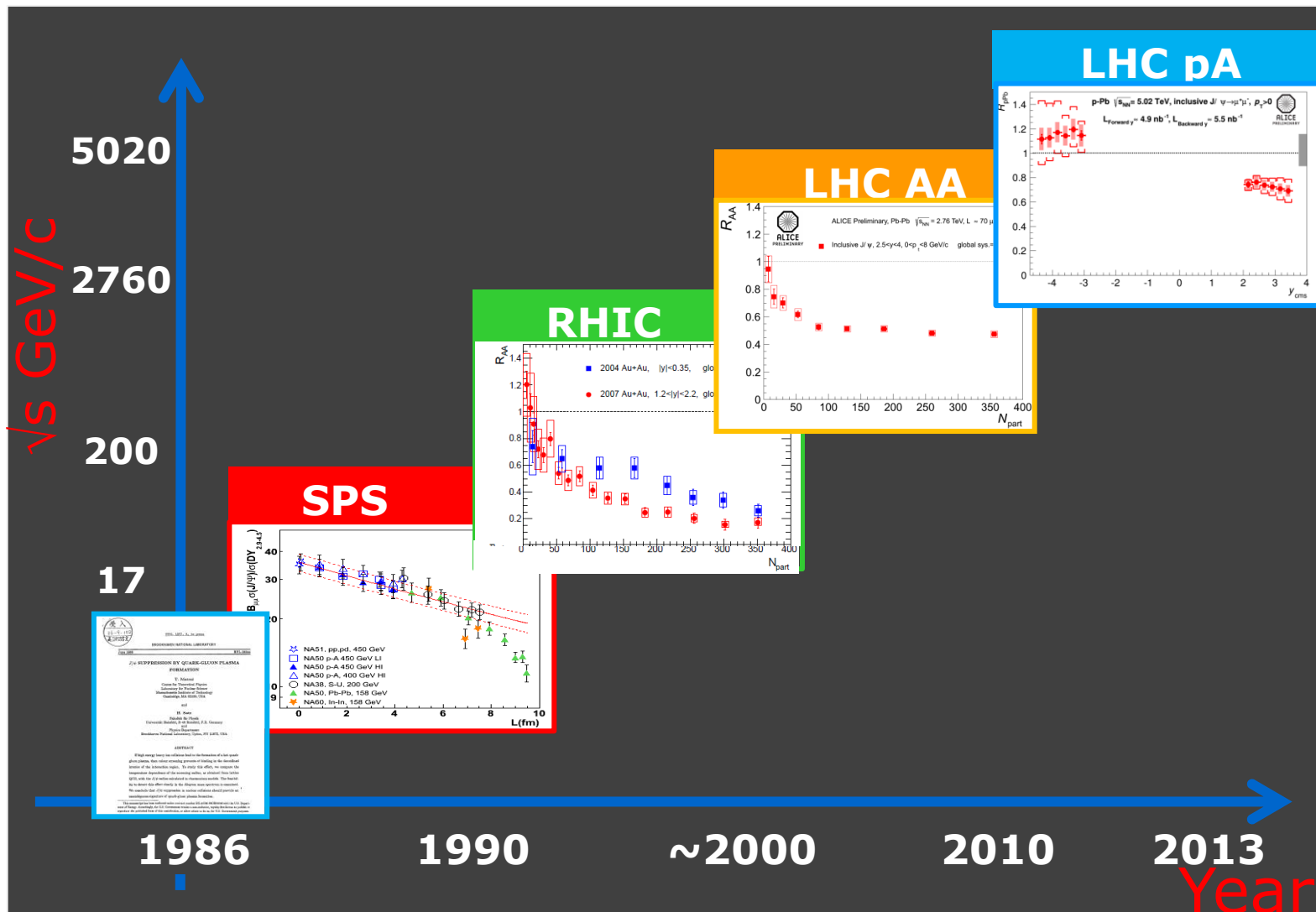
- ➔ Quarkonia study in heavy ion collisions is already a 25 years long story!
- ➔ First LHC run has now provided a large wealth of charmonium and bottomonium results to complement results from SPS and RHIC!
- ➔ not only  $J/\psi$ , but also  $\psi(2S)$  (and  $\Upsilon$ ) are now accessible in various kinematic regions
- ➔ complicate picture in AA because of the interplay of many mechanisms: scenario qualitatively understood as a combination of suppression and (re)combination processes
- ➔ pA and dA data now available: crucial to define cold nuclear matter effects ...but non trivial effects observed on excited quarkonium states!

Thank you!

# Backup

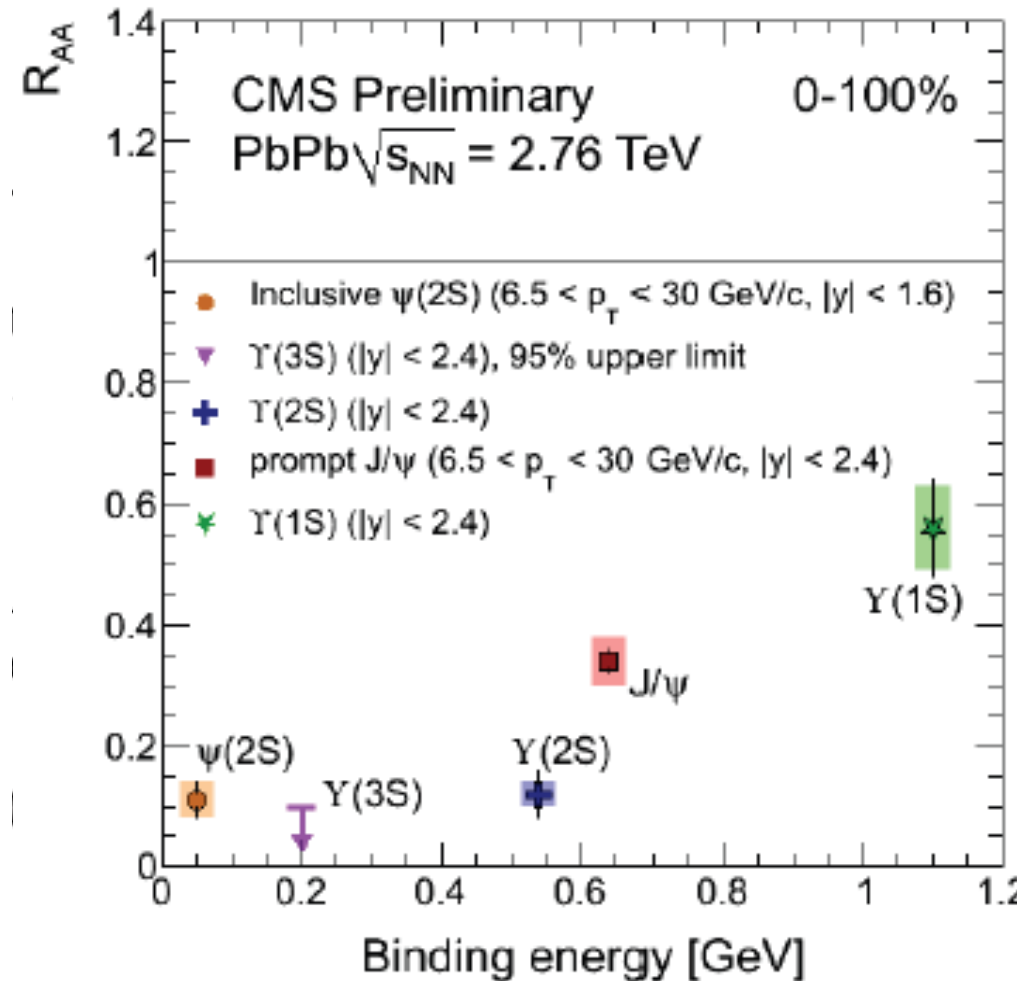
# History of heavy-ion quarkonium studies

➔ Quarkonium suppression is, since 25 years, one of the most striking signatures for QGP formation in AA collisions



# Where are we?

27 years after first suppression prediction, this is observed in the charmonium and bottomonium sector with very good accuracy!



Two main mechanisms at play:

1. Suppression in a deconfined medium
2. Re-combination (for charmonium) at high  $\sqrt{s}$

can qualitatively explain the main features of the results

$R_{AA}$  vs binding energy: looser bound states more suppressed than the tighter ones

however hot and cold effects not yet disentangled...need pA/dA results where no hot medium should be formed!

# Quarkonium production

➔ Quarkonium production can proceed:

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

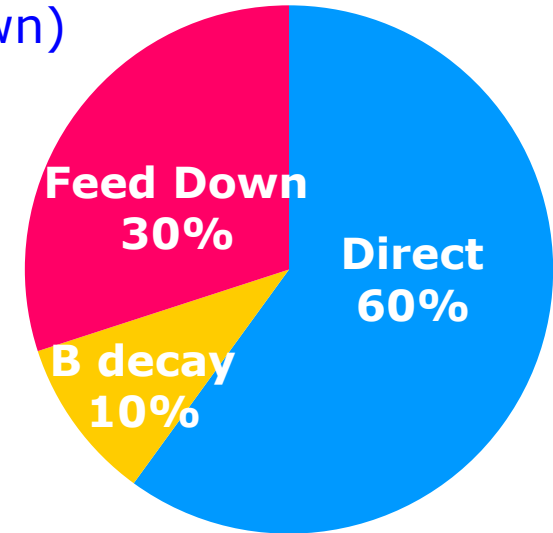
➔ For  $J/\psi$  (at CDF/LHC energies) the contributing mechanisms are:

**Prompt**

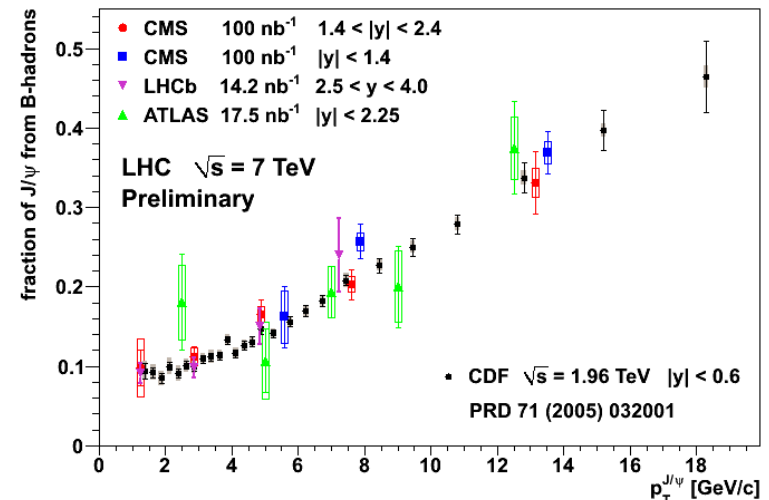
- ➔ Direct production
- ➔ Feed-down from higher charmonium states:  
 $\sim 8\%$  from  $\psi(2S)$ ,  $\sim 25\%$  from  $\chi_c$

**Displaced**

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

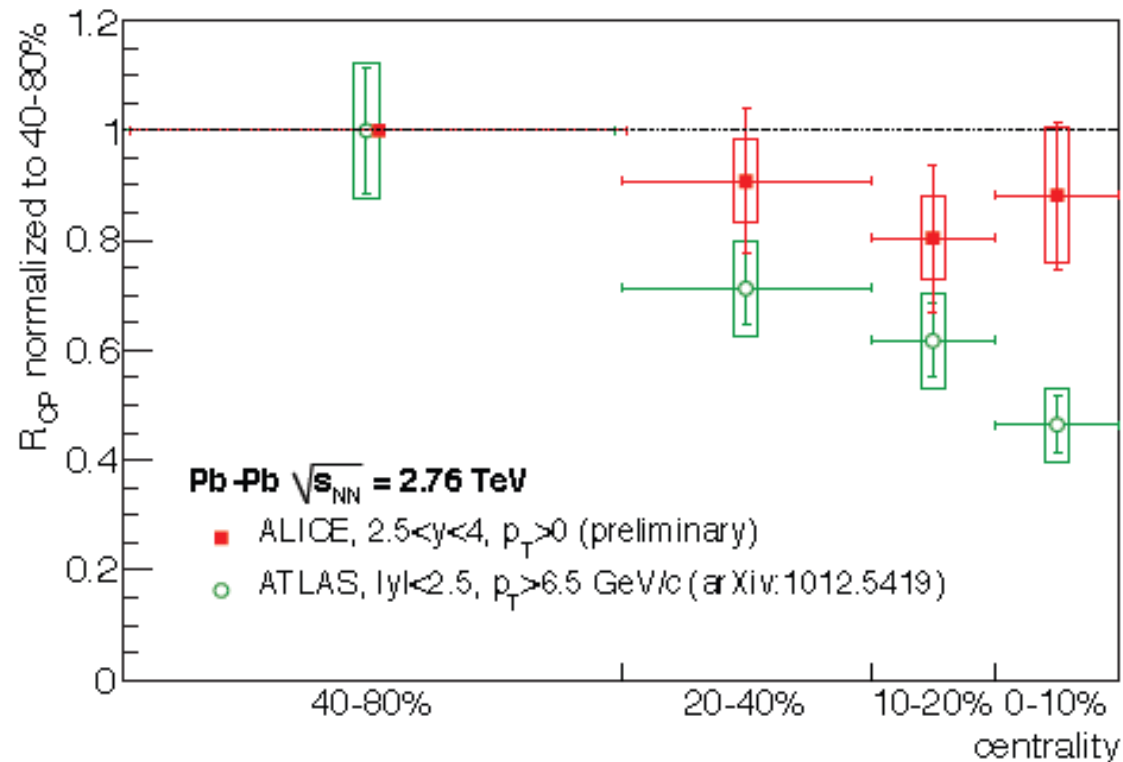


➔ Feed down and  $J/\psi$  from B, if not properly taken into account, may affect physics conclusions



# ALICE and ATLAS J/ $\psi$

Statistical and systematic uncertainties have not been propagated for ATLAS



ALICE:

- $2.5 < \eta < 4$
- $p_T > 0$

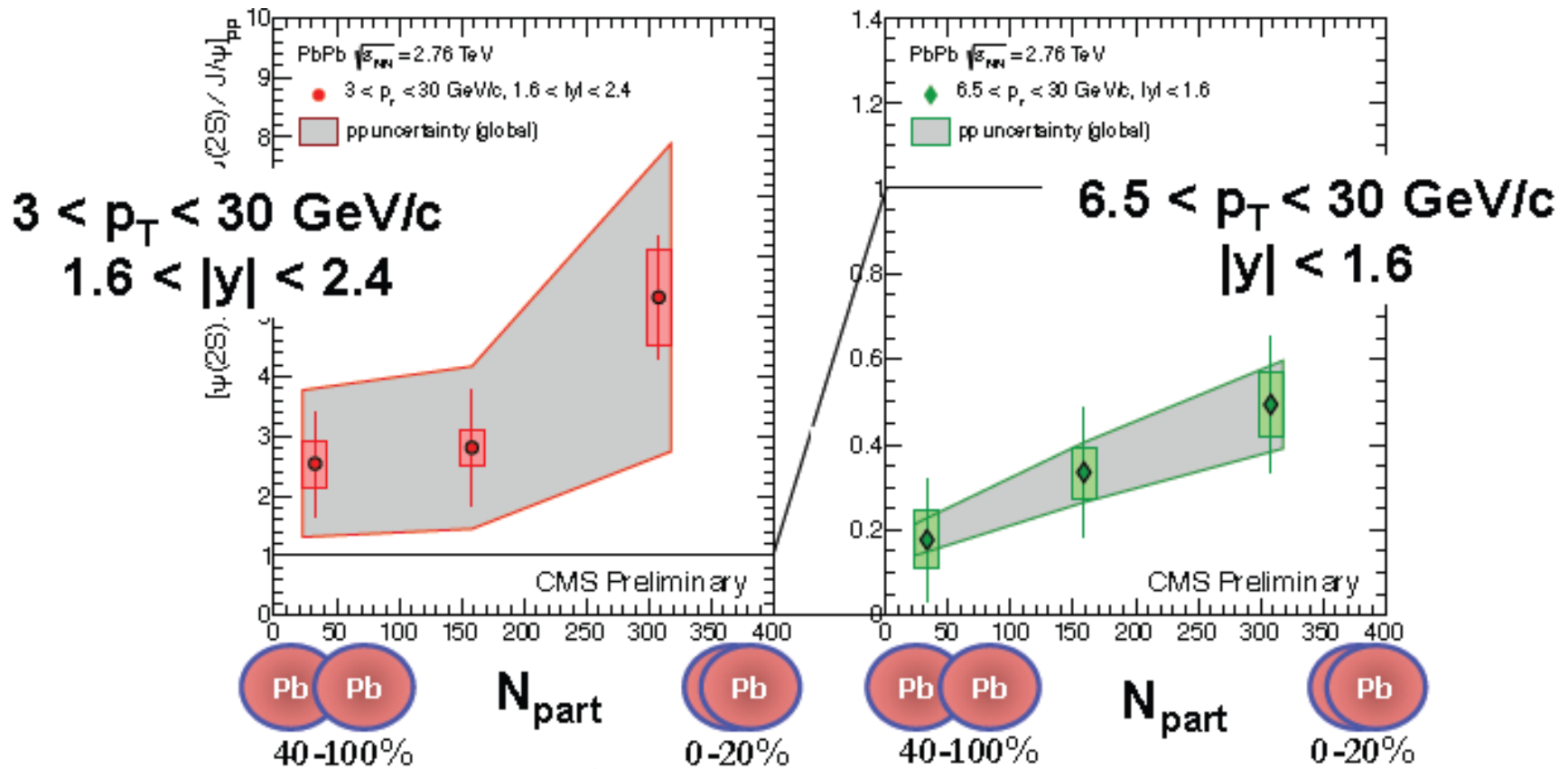
ATLAS:

- $|\eta| < 2.5$
- 80% of J/ $\psi$  with  $p_T > 6.5$  GeV/c

J/ $\psi$   $R_{CP}$  larger for ALICE than for ATLAS in the most central collisions...  
... But different rapidity and  $p_T$  coverage



# $\psi(2S)/\psi$



$$\frac{N_{\psi(2S)}/N_{J/\psi}|_{PbPb}}{N_{\psi(2S)}/N_{J/\psi}|_{pp}} = \frac{R_{AA}(\psi(2S))}{R_{AA}(J/\psi)}$$

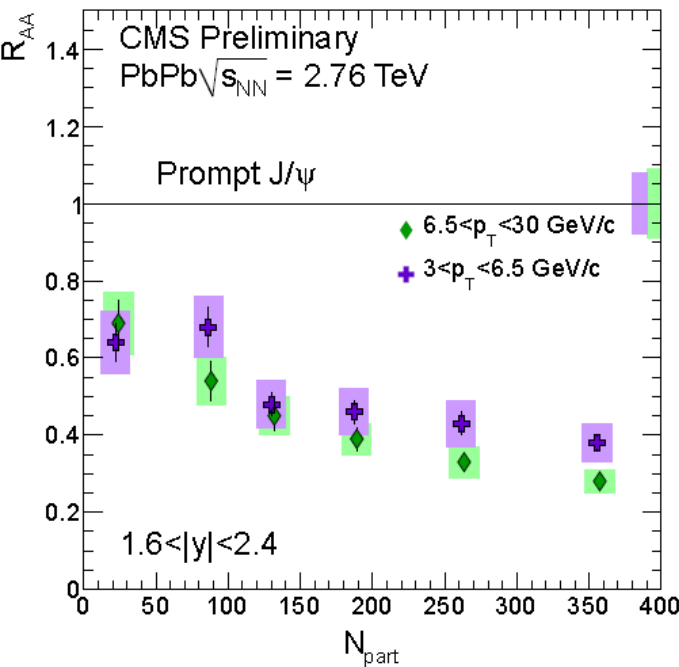
• **High- $p_T$ :**

$$R_{AA}^{0-100\%}(\psi(2S)) = 0.11 \pm 0.03(\text{stat}) \pm 0.02(\text{syst}) \pm 0.02(\text{pp})$$

• **Low- $p_T$  ( $< 2\sigma$ ):**

$$R_{AA}^{0-100\%}(\psi(2S)) = 1.54 \pm 0.32(\text{stat}) \pm 0.22(\text{syst}) \pm 0.76(\text{pp})$$

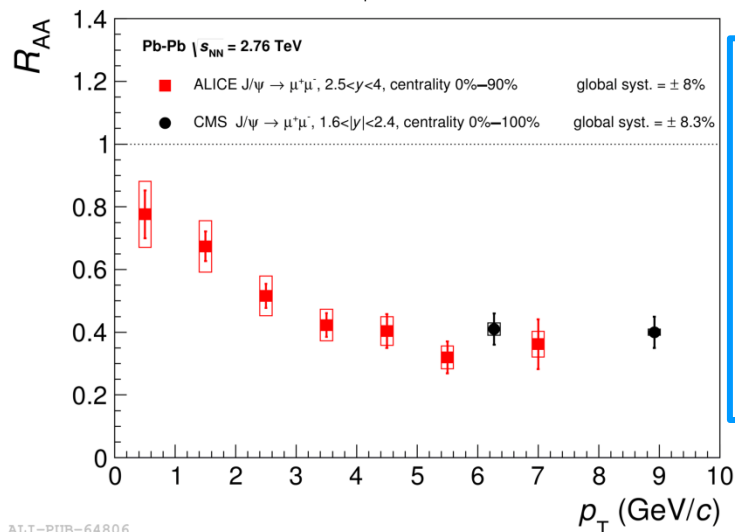
# CMS: high $p_T$ J/ $\psi$



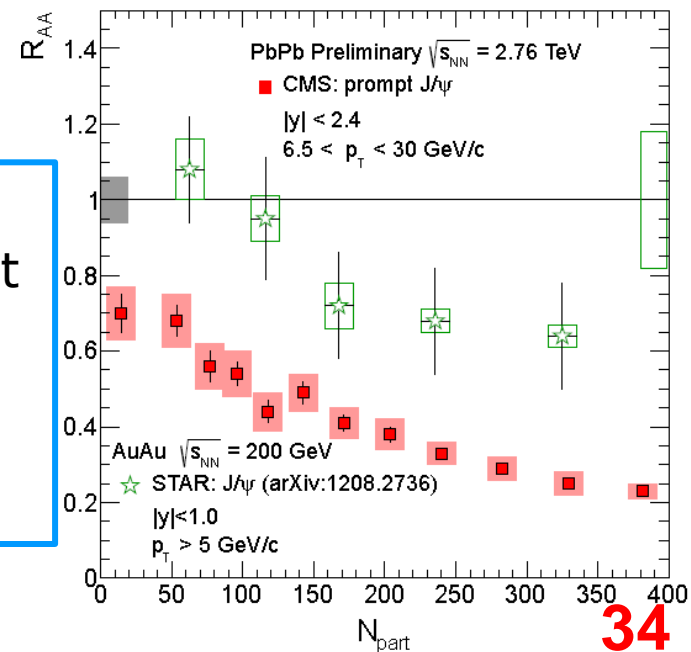
➔ The high  $p_T$  region can be investigated by CMS!

➔ Small hint of  $p_T$  dependent suppression even in the CMS  $p_T$  range

➔ Good agreement with ALICE (high  $p_T$ ) in spite of the different rapidity range

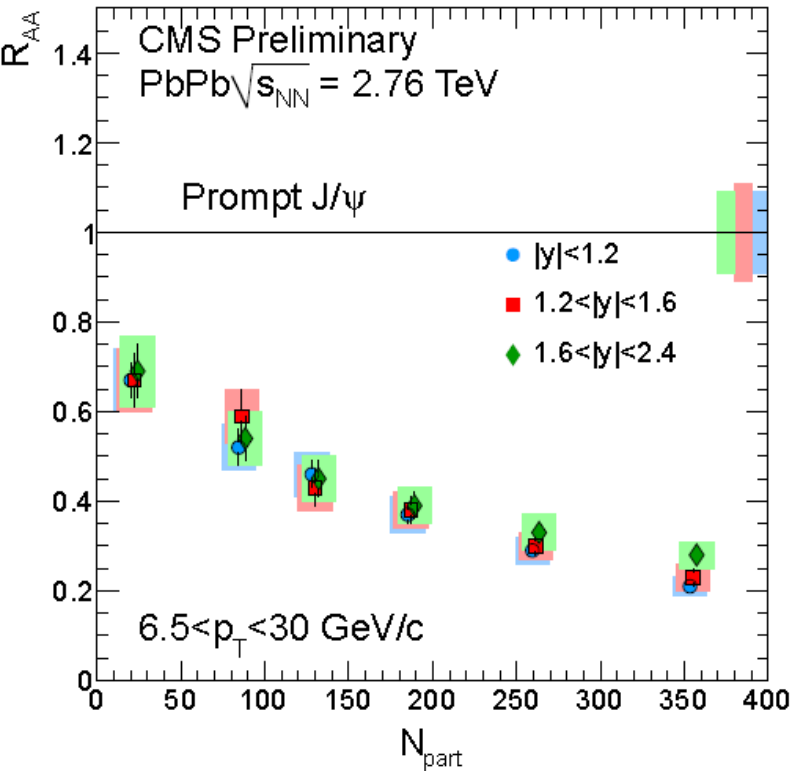


➔ High  $p_T$ : stronger J/ $\psi$  suppression at LHC wrt to RHIC (re-combination should not play a role)



# J/ψ $R_{AA}$ vs rapidity

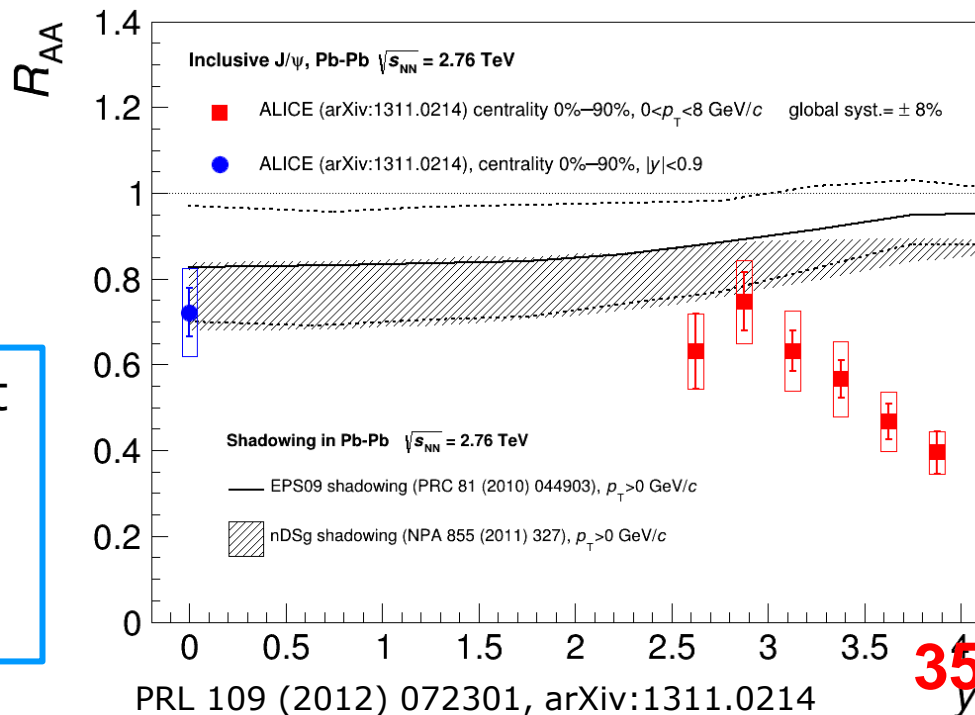
together



→  $R_{AA}$   $y$  pattern depends on the J/ψ  $p_T$

- At high  $p_T$  (CMS) almost no  $y$  dependence in the range  $|y| < 2.4$
- At low  $p_T$  (ALICE)  $R_{AA}$  decreases by 40% from  $y=2.5$  to  $y=4$

→ Suppression beyond the current shadowing estimates. Important to quantify cold nuclear matter effects in p-A collisions

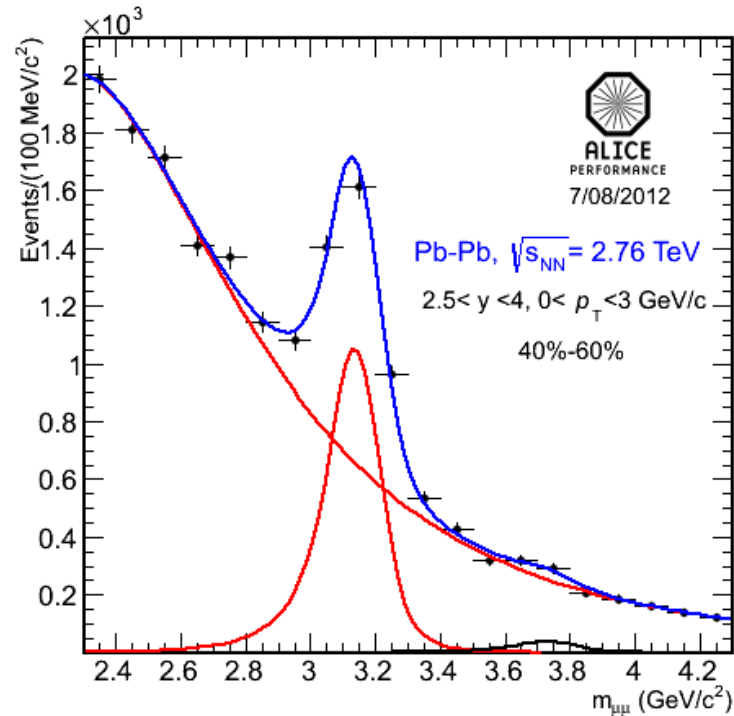
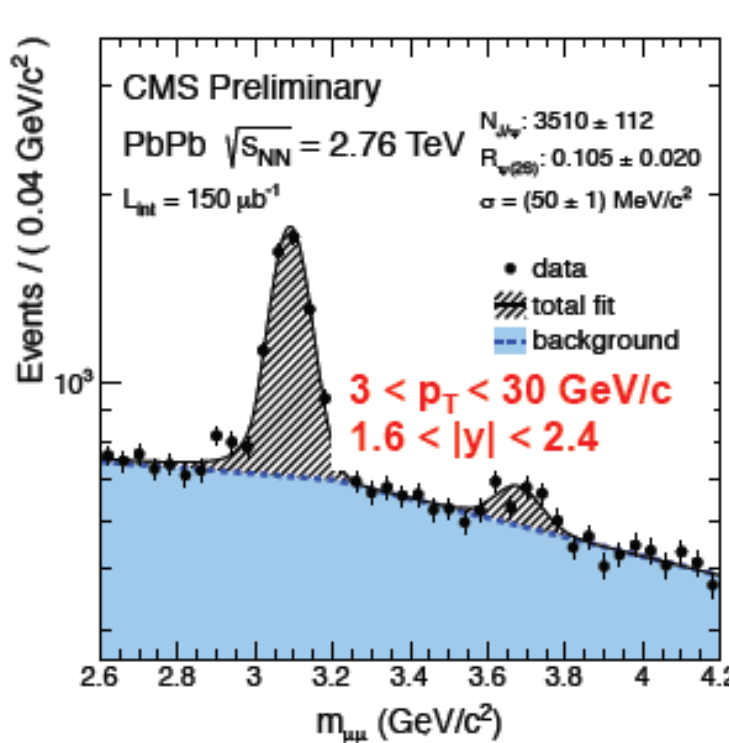


# $\psi(2S)$ in Pb-Pb

Study of other charmonium resonances can help constraining theoretical models

$\psi(2S)$  much less bound than  $J/\psi$

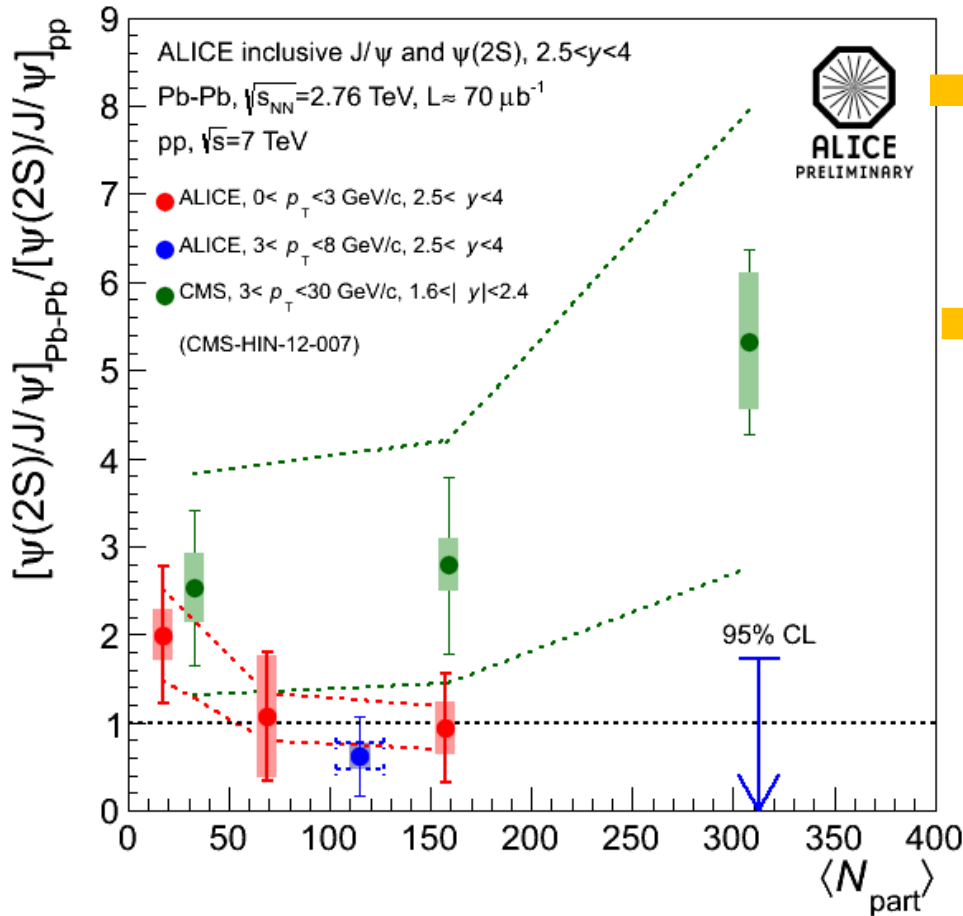
Results from the SPS showed a suppression larger than the  $J/\psi$  one



$\psi(2S)$  studied by both CMS and ALICE, different kinematics

# $\psi(2S)$ in Pb-Pb

➔ The  $\psi(2S)$  yield is compared to the  $J/\psi$  one in Pb-Pb and in pp



➔ At SPS, the  $\psi(2S)/J/\psi$  suppression increased with centrality

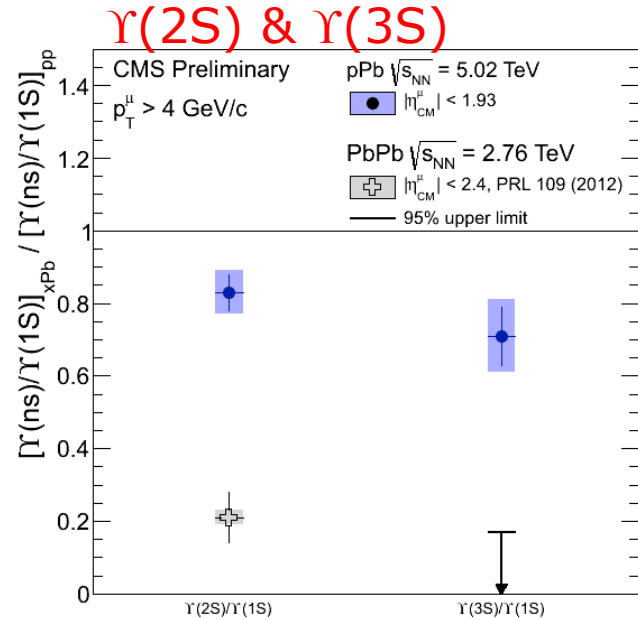
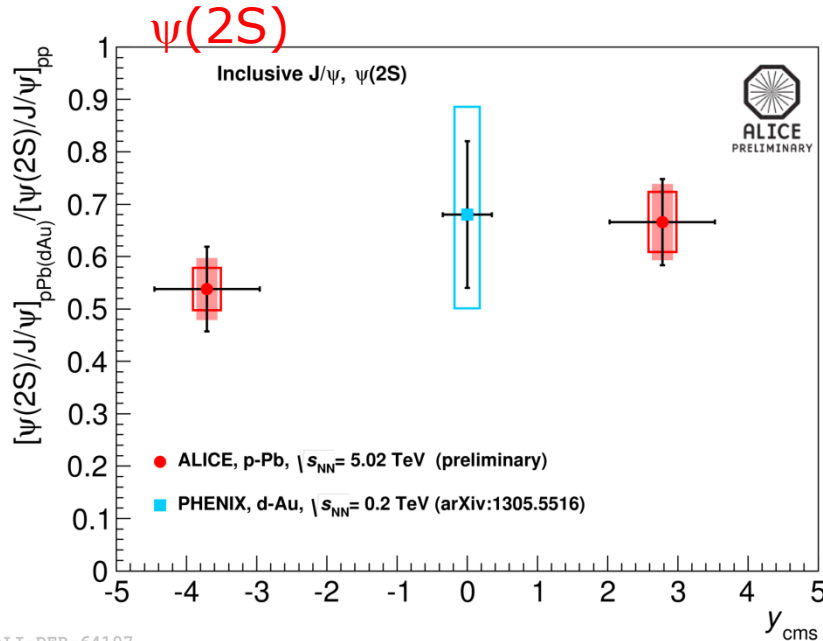
➔ Overall interpretation is challenging

ALICE excludes a large enhancement

➔ Difference trend in ALICE and CMS: large statistics and systematic errors prevent a firm conclusion on the  $\psi(2S)$  enhancement or suppression versus centrality

# Excited quarkonia states in p-A

Excited states suppressed relative to ground states

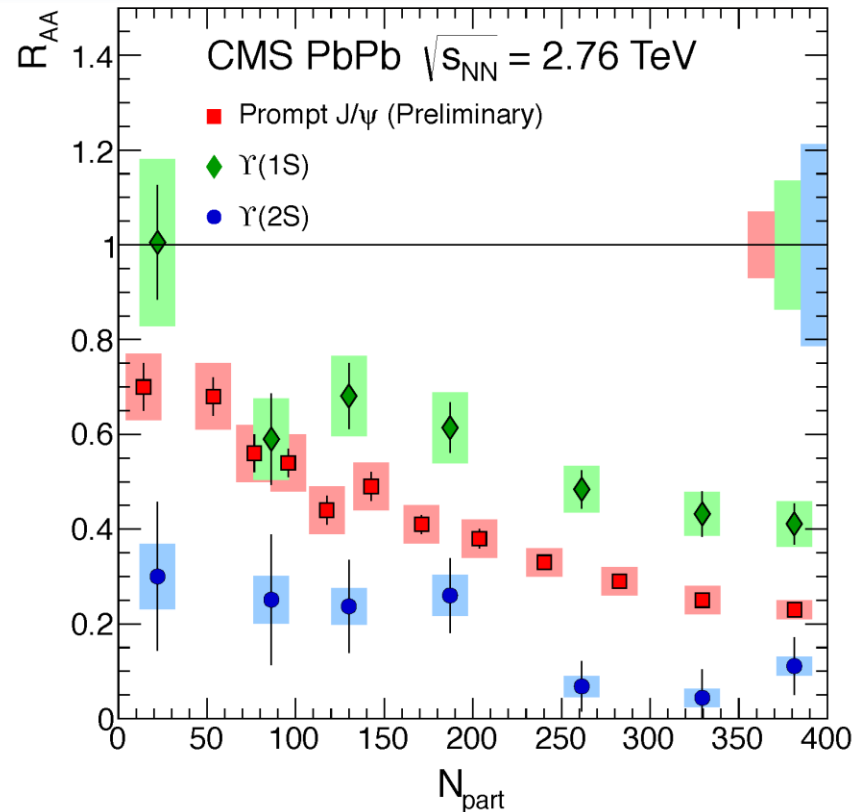
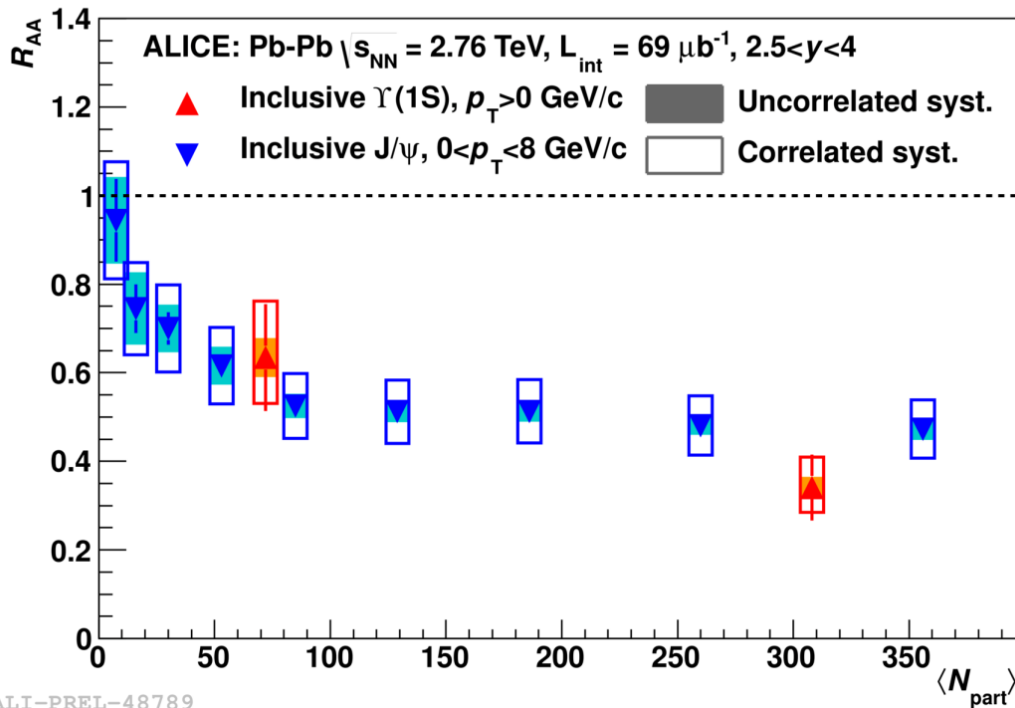


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- $\psi(2S)$  is clearly suppressed in p-A wrt pp (at  $\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV)
- Similar suppression observed also in d-Au at  $\sqrt{s}=200$ GeV
- Shadowing and/or coherent energy loss don't explain the stronger  $\psi(2S)$  suppression. Hot medium effects?

- p-Pb vs Pb-Pb: additional final state effects in Pb-Pb affecting the excited states more than the ground state
- p-Pb vs pp: suppression increases with increase of charged particle multiplicity

# Comparison $\Upsilon$ and $J/\psi$



➔ Similar  $R_{AA}$  for low  $p_T$  inclusive  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon(1S)$

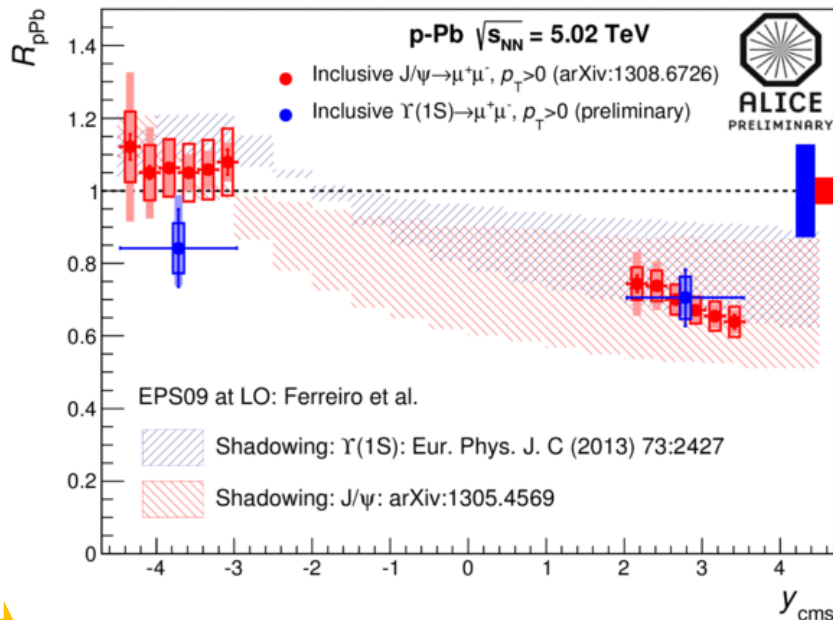
➔ Sequential suppression observed for prompt  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon(nS)$  at high  $p_T$

➔ interplay of the competing mechanisms for  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon$  can be different and dependent on kinematics!

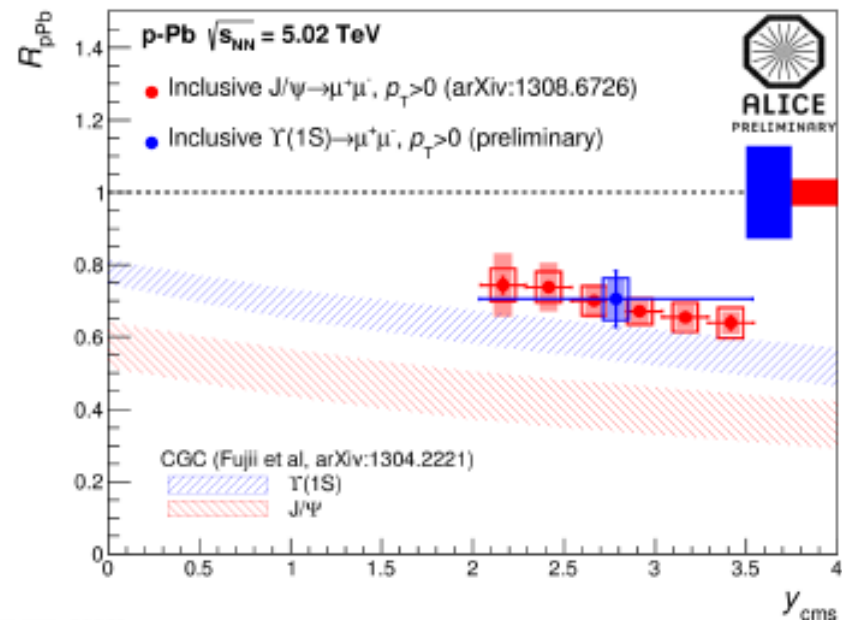
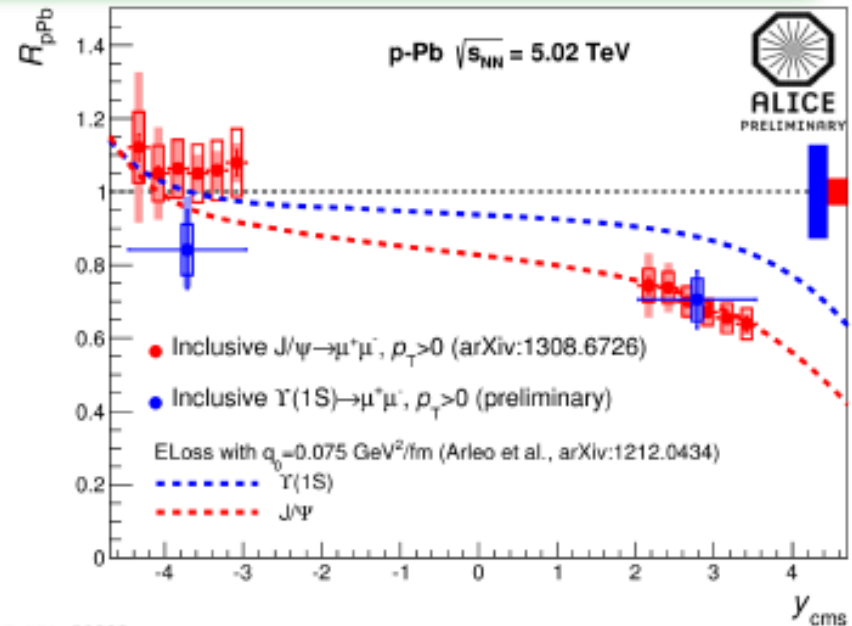
# $\Upsilon(1S)$ measurements in p-A

Hint for  $\Upsilon(1S)$   $R_{pPb}$  suppression at forward rapidity.  
Smaller effect at backward  $y$

$R_{pPb}$  comparable for  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon(1S)$

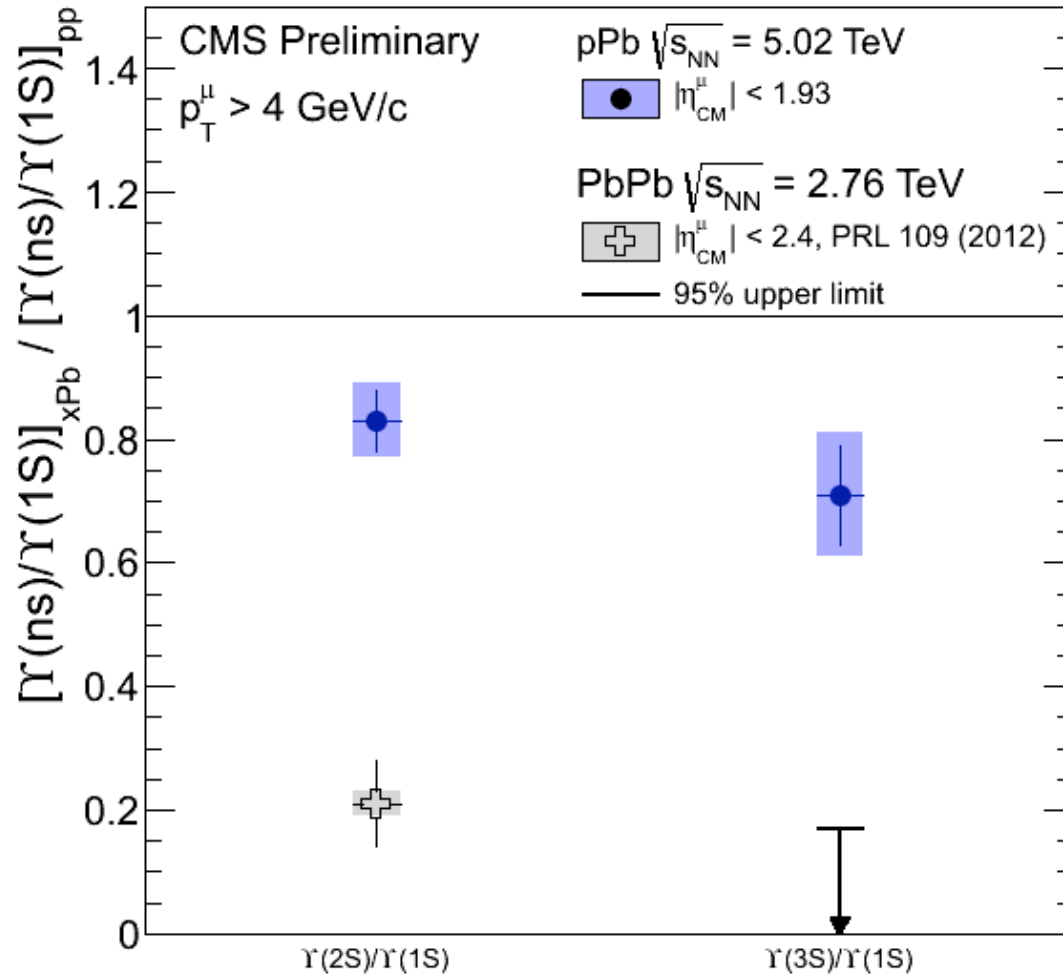


EPS09 shadowing models, CGC and coherent energy loss in fair agreement with  $\Upsilon(1S)$   $R_{pA}$  result





# $\Upsilon(2S)$ & $\Upsilon(3S)$ measurements in p-A



→ p-Pb vs PbPb: additional final-state effects in Pb-Pb affecting the excited states more than the ground state

→ p-Pb vs pp: excited states more suppressed than the ground states. Suppression increases with increase of charged particle multiplicity

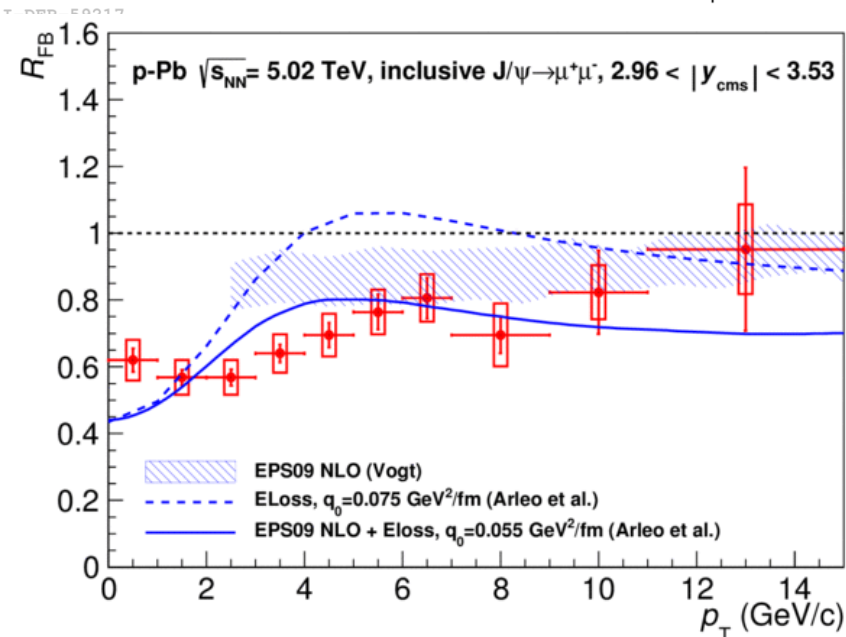
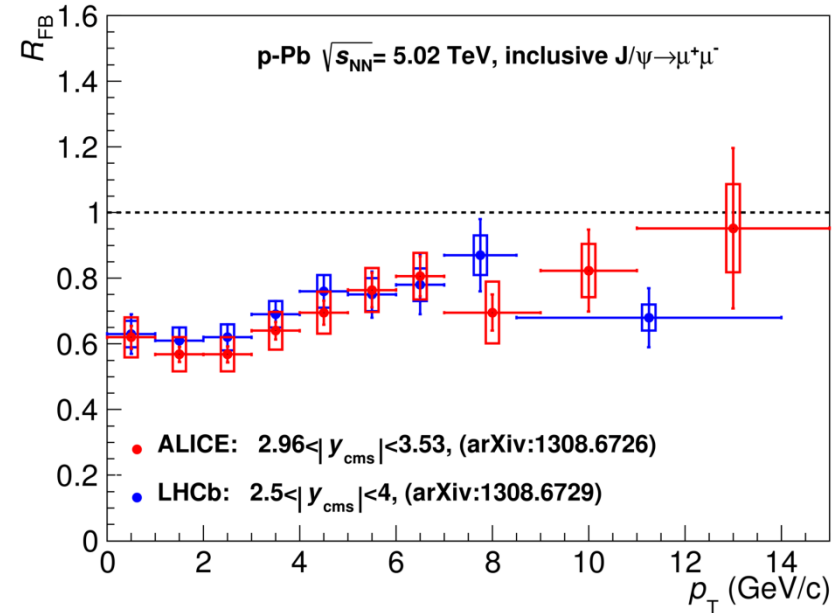
# Ratio forward to backward yields: $R_{FB}$

→  $R_{FB}$ : free from uncertainties on the pp reference

$$R_{FB} = \frac{Y_{J/\psi}^{Forward}}{Y_{J/\psi}^{Backward}}$$

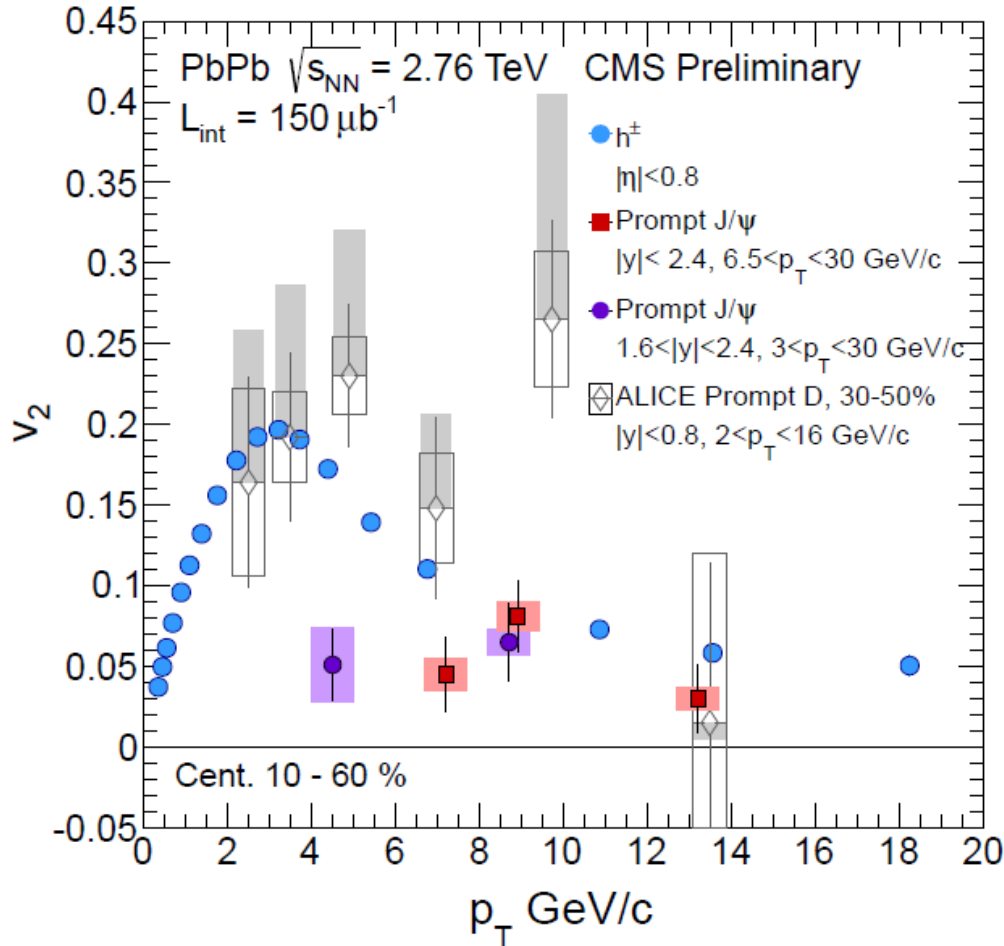
→ The  $R_{FB}$  ratio shows a rather flat  $y$  dependence and a  $p_T$  dependence with stronger forward to backward suppression at low  $p_T$

→ Less stringent comparison to theory wrt  $R_{pA}$ : however theoretical predictions including energy loss show strong nuclear effects at low  $p_T$ , in fair agreement with the data



# J/ψ vs open HF v<sub>2</sub>

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□ J/ψ elliptic flow should be directly related to HF v<sub>2</sub>

□ Smaller values for J/ψ in the region where (re)generation should play a role

□ Simply a reflection of the fraction of J/ψ due to (re)generation?

□ Similar values at very high p<sub>T</sub> (uncertainties!) for all particles