

# Beauty and Exotica Production in Heavy Ion Collisions at the LHC



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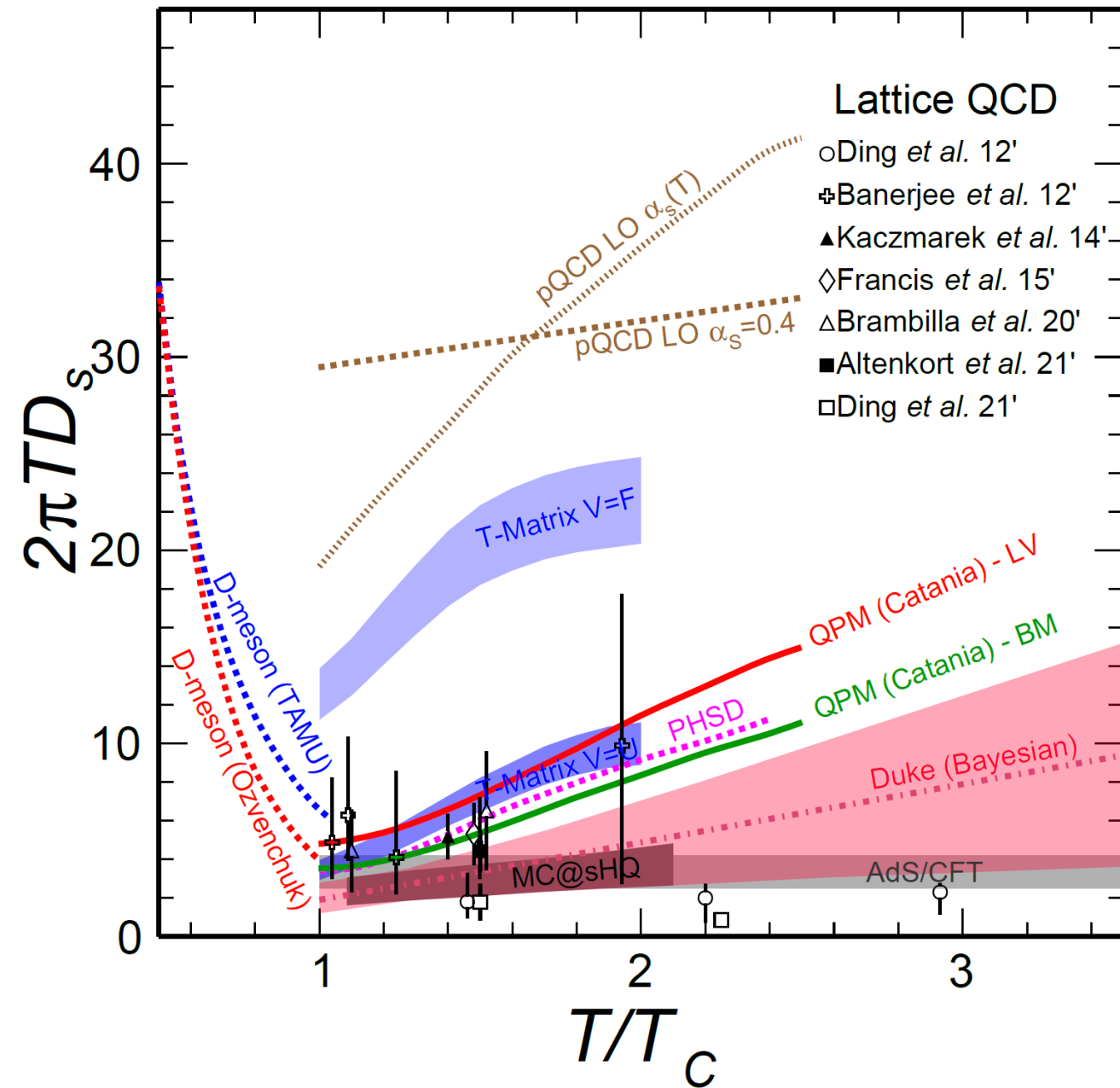
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# Heavy Quarks as Probes of QGP

- Produced **before** the QGP formation
- Heavy quark diffusion coefficient ( $D_s$ ) provides a direct window on the in-medium QCD force
- Hadronization** of heavy quarks could be modified in the presence of QGP, recombination of heavy (and light) quarks from independent hard parton-parton interactions
- Fast moving heavy quarks: **suppression of radiative energy loss** due to dead-cone effect compared to light quarks



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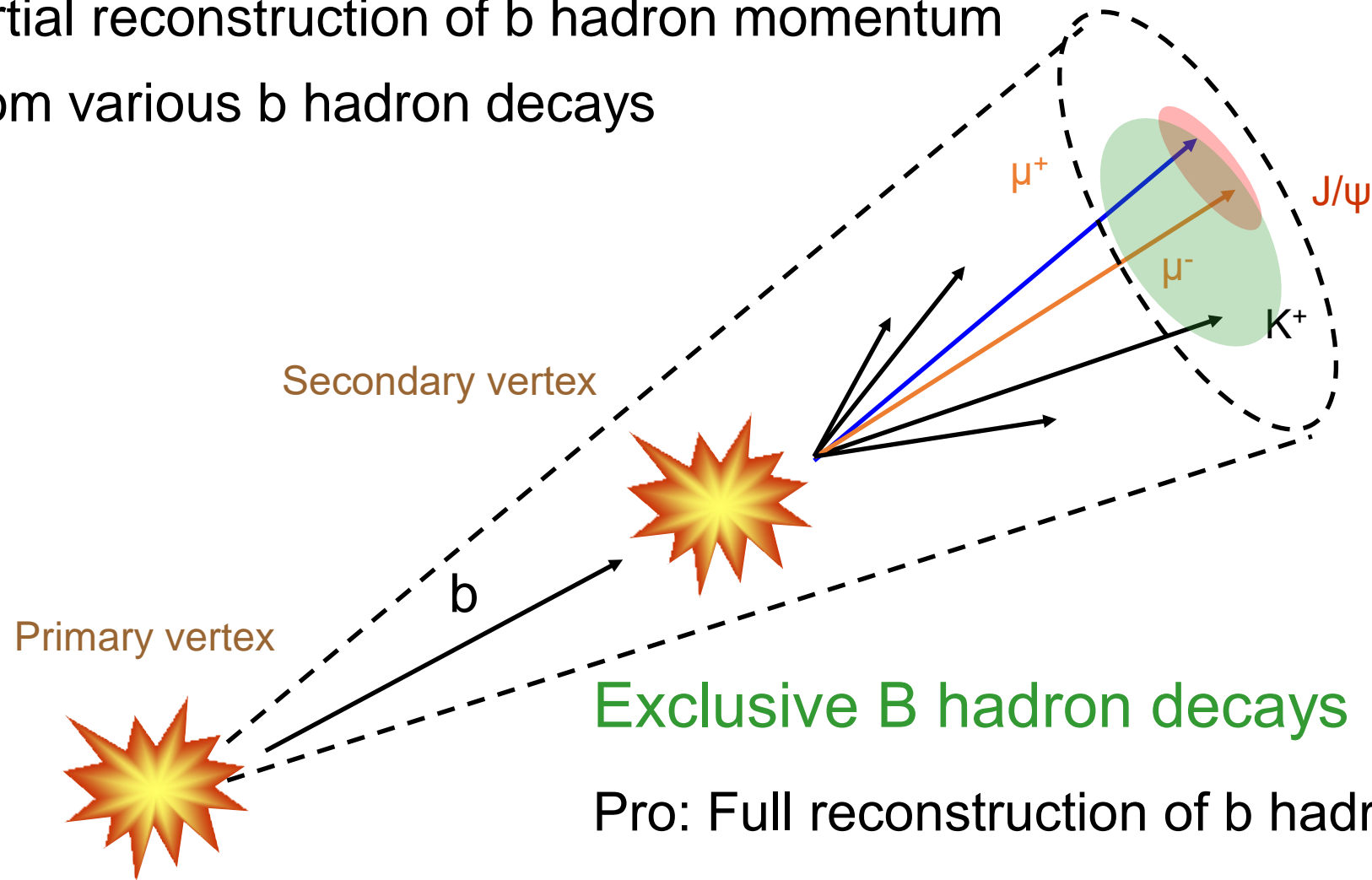
# Study of Beauty Hadron

Non-prompt  $J/\psi$  (or  $D^0$  or lepton):

Pro: Higher statistics than fully reconstructed b hadron

Con: Partial reconstruction of b hadron momentum

From various b hadron decays



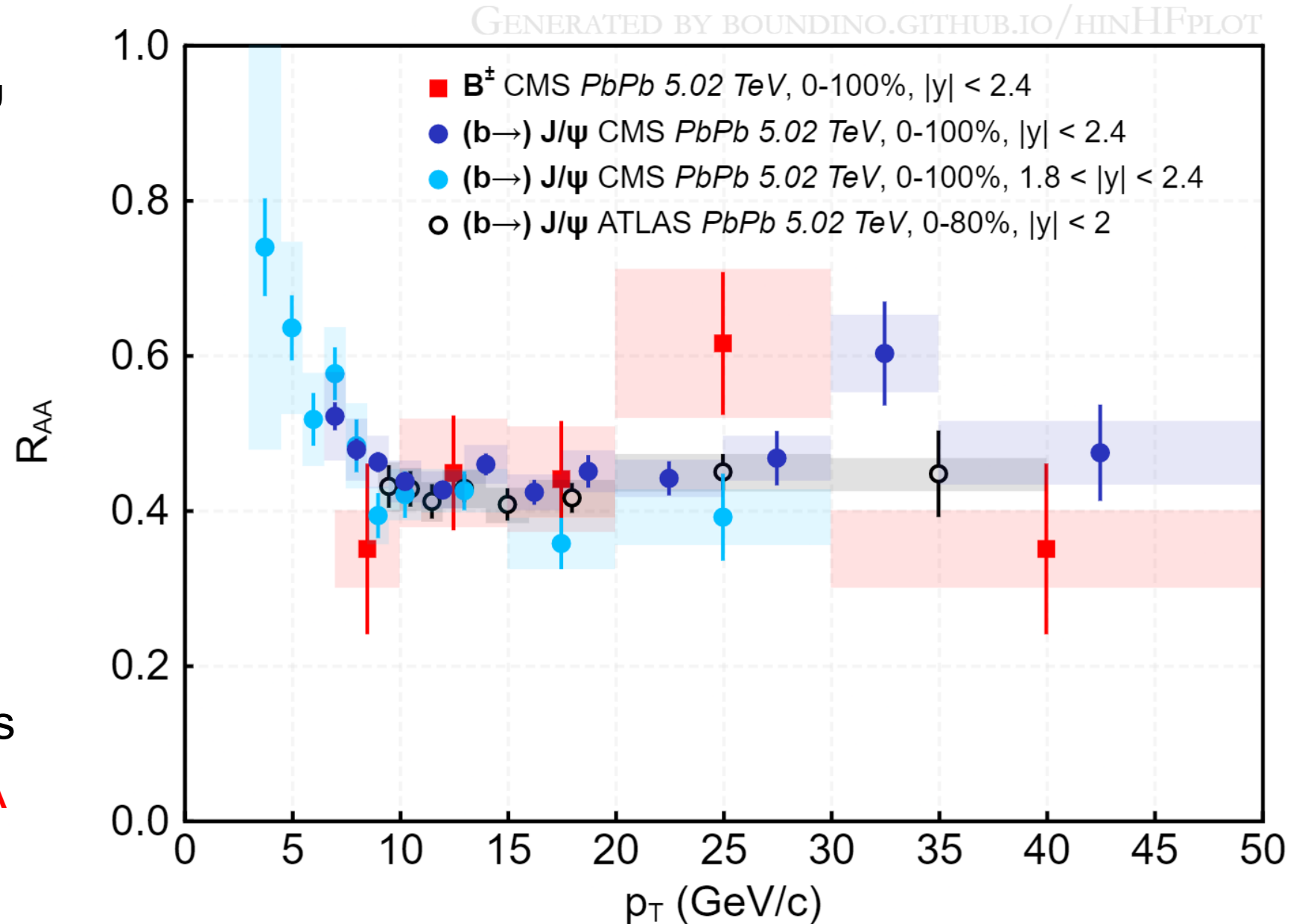
Exclusive B hadron decays

Pro: Full reconstruction of b hadron momentum and flavor

Con: low statistics

# Non-prompt J/ψ $R_{AA}$ in 0-100% PbPb at 5 TeV

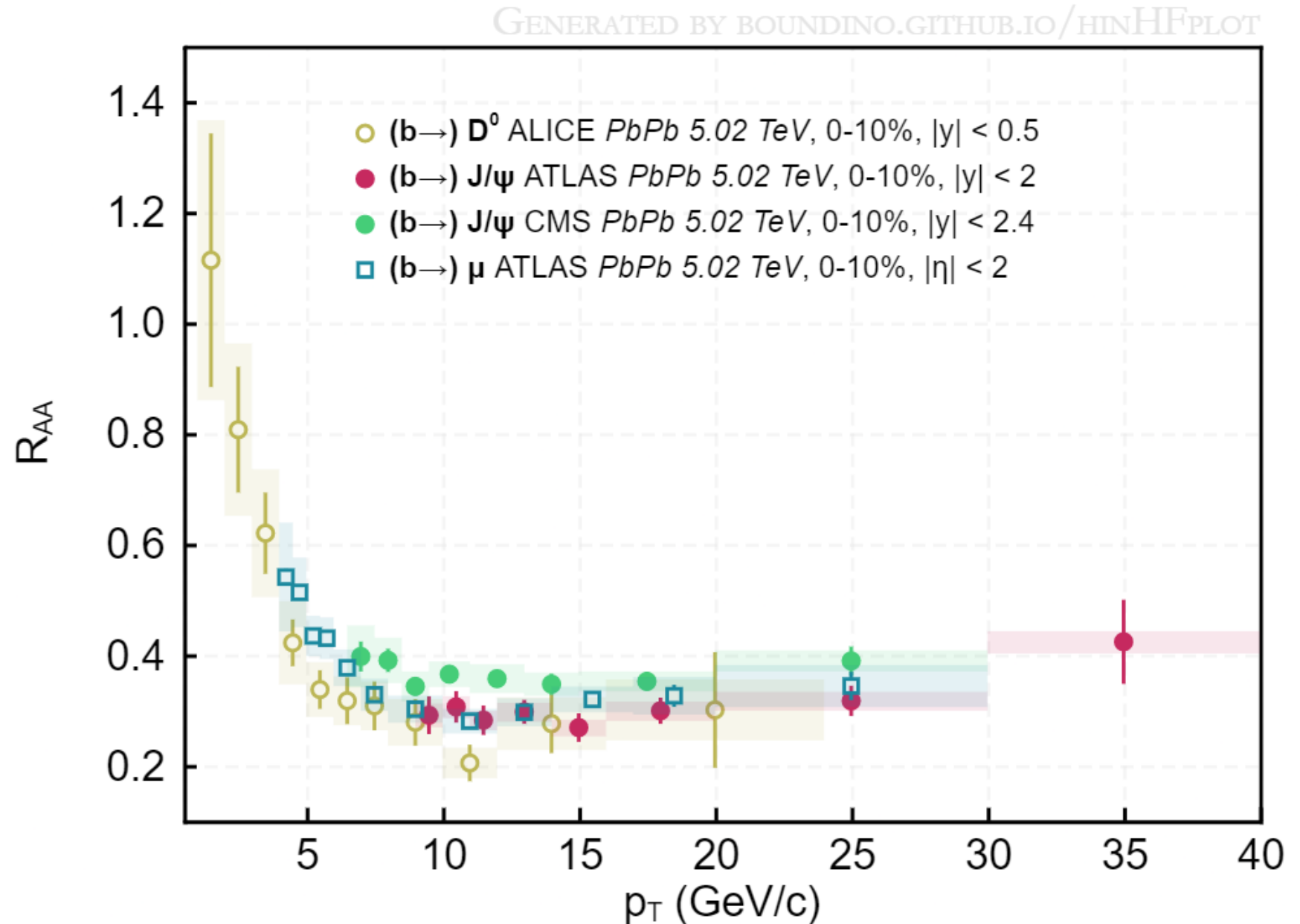
- Precise measurement of beauty suppression from **non-prompt J/ψ** from b decay in PbPb
- In MinBias PbPb collisions, the results from **CMS** and **ATLAS** are consistent
- $R_{AA}$  first decrease with  $p_T$  and then stay at around 0.4-0.5 at high  $p_T$  ( $10 < p_T < 50$  GeV)
- **Non-prompt J/ψ  $R_{AA}$**  (from various beauty hadron decays) and  **$B^+$   $R_{AA}$**  are very close to each other



B<sup>+</sup> PRL 119 (2017) 152301  
NP J/ψ CMS EPJC 78 (2018) 509

# Beauty $R_{AA}$ in 0-10% PbPb at 5 TeV

- Precise measurement of beauty suppression from **non-prompt**  $J/\psi$ ,  $D^0$  and  $\mu$  from b decay in **0-10% PbPb**
- $R_{AA}$  results are close to each other at high  $p_T$  (although  $J/\psi$ ,  $D^0$  and  $\mu$  carry different fraction of beauty momentum)
- Some difference between non-prompt  $J/\psi$  from **ATLAS** and **CMS**, to be followed up with Run 3+4 data



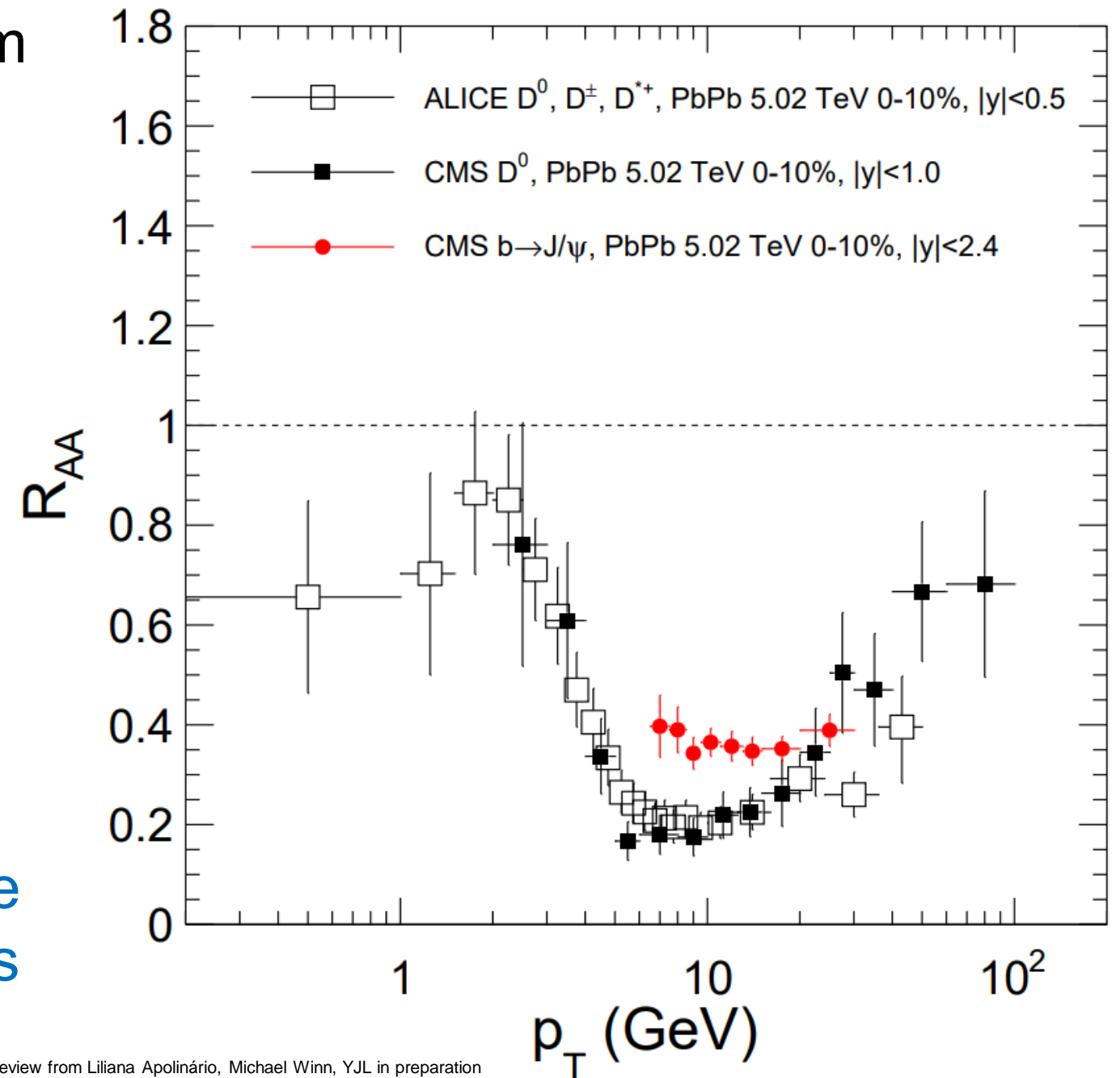
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# Charm and Beauty Hadron $R_{AA}$

- Summary of the highest precision charm and beauty hadron measurements
- Very good agreement between **ALICE D**  $R_{AA}$  and **CMS D<sup>0</sup>**  $R_{AA}$
- $p_T < 20$  GeV: **non-prompt J/ψ**  $R_{AA}$  is significantly higher than **D**  $R_{AA}$
- $p_T > 20$  GeV: **non-prompt J/ψ**  $R_{AA}$  is close to **D**  $R_{AA}$
- Consistent with the expectation from the mass dependence of parton energy loss

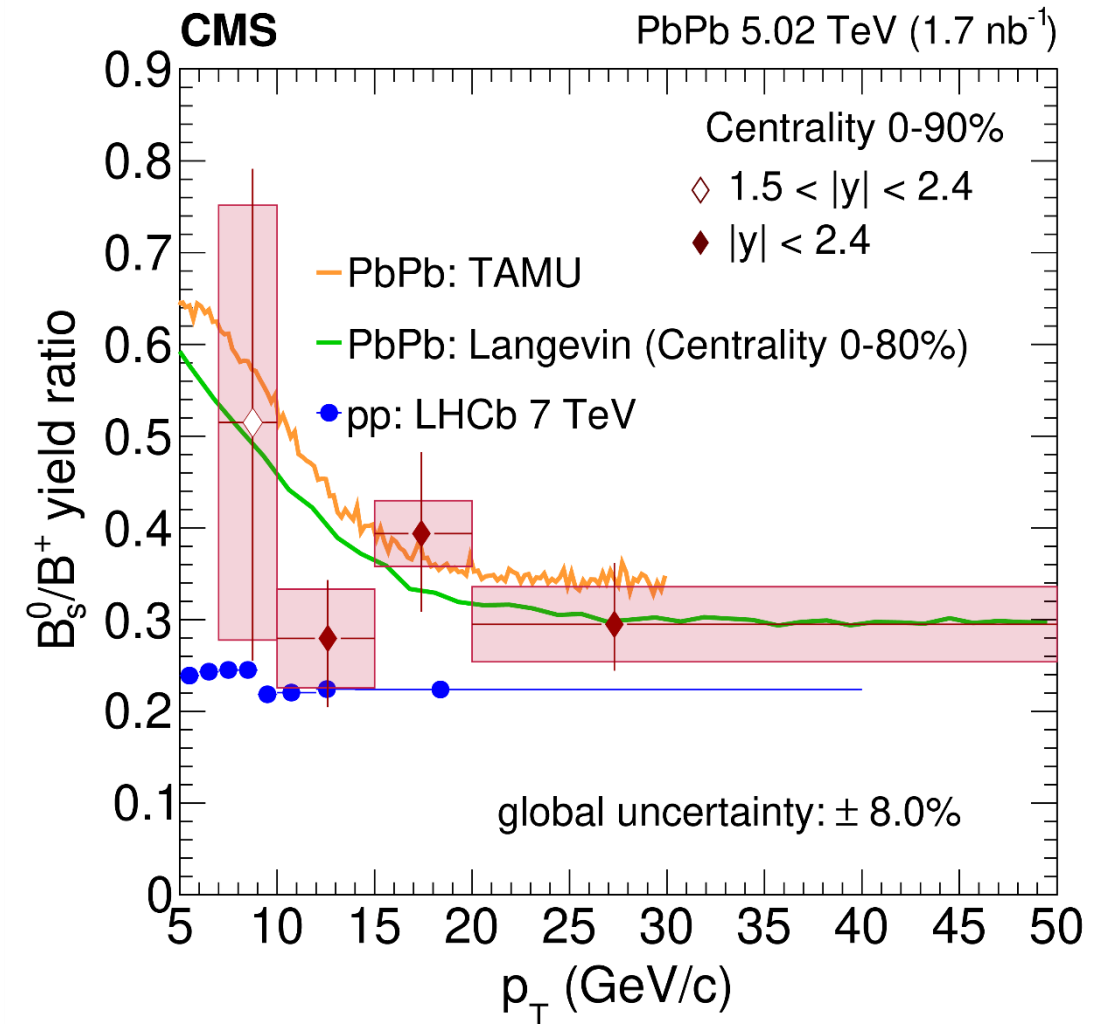
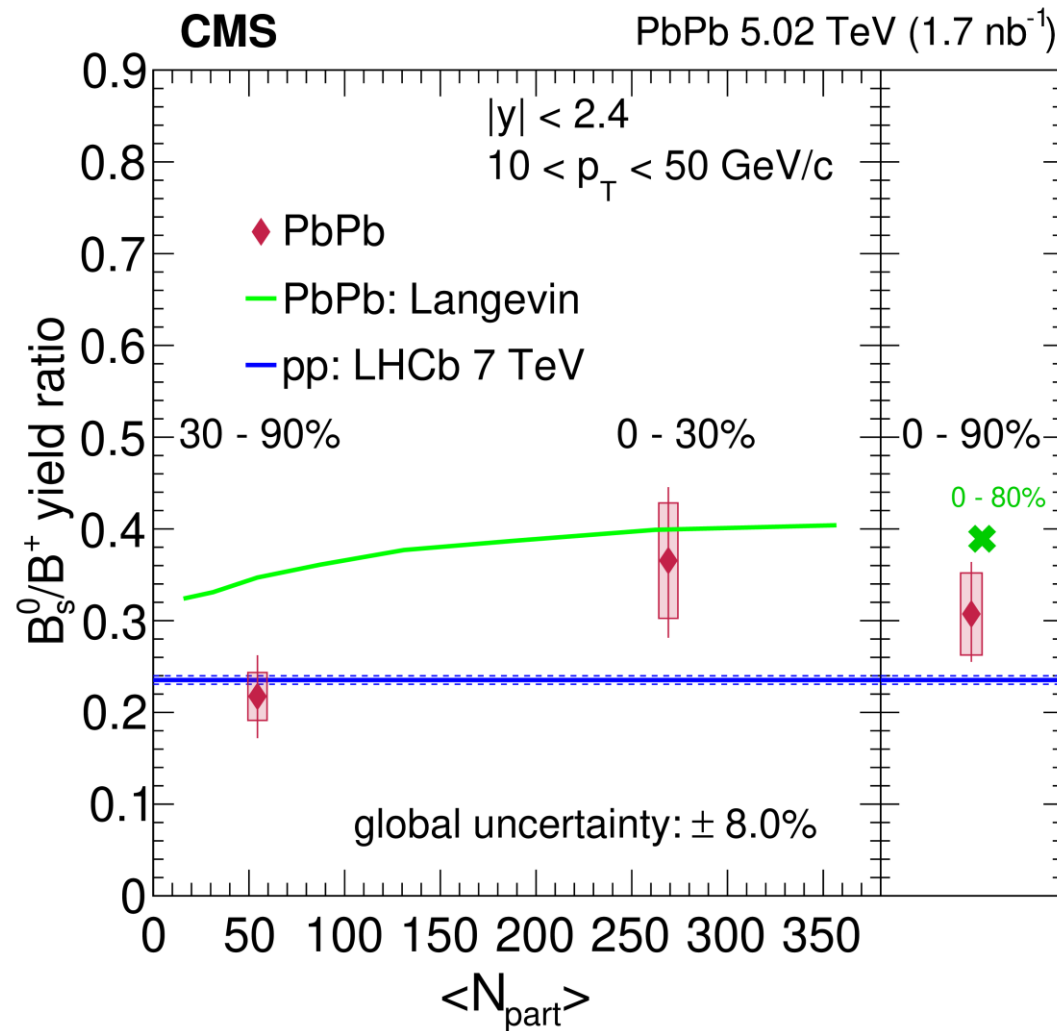
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# Beauty Quark Hadronization

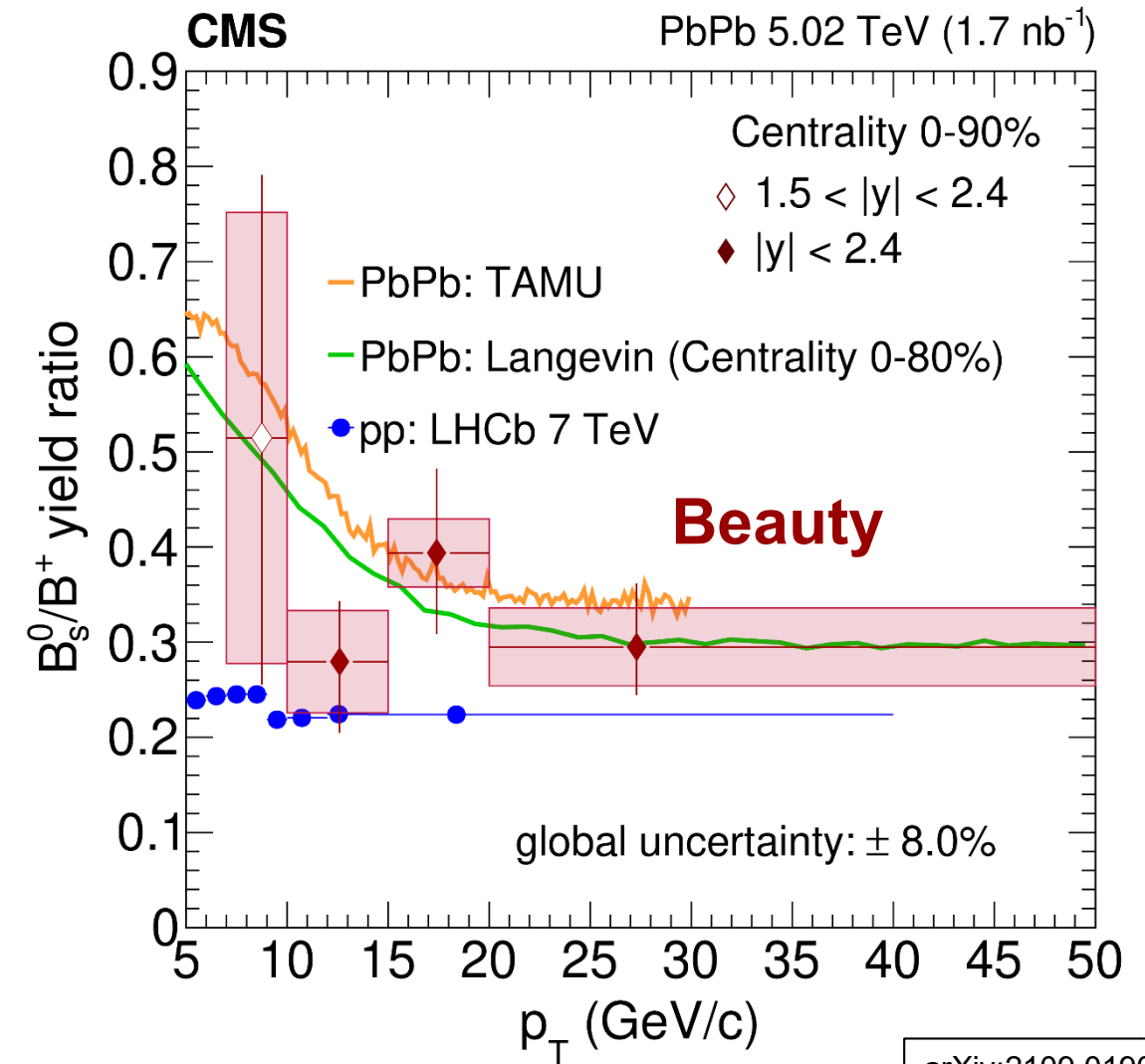
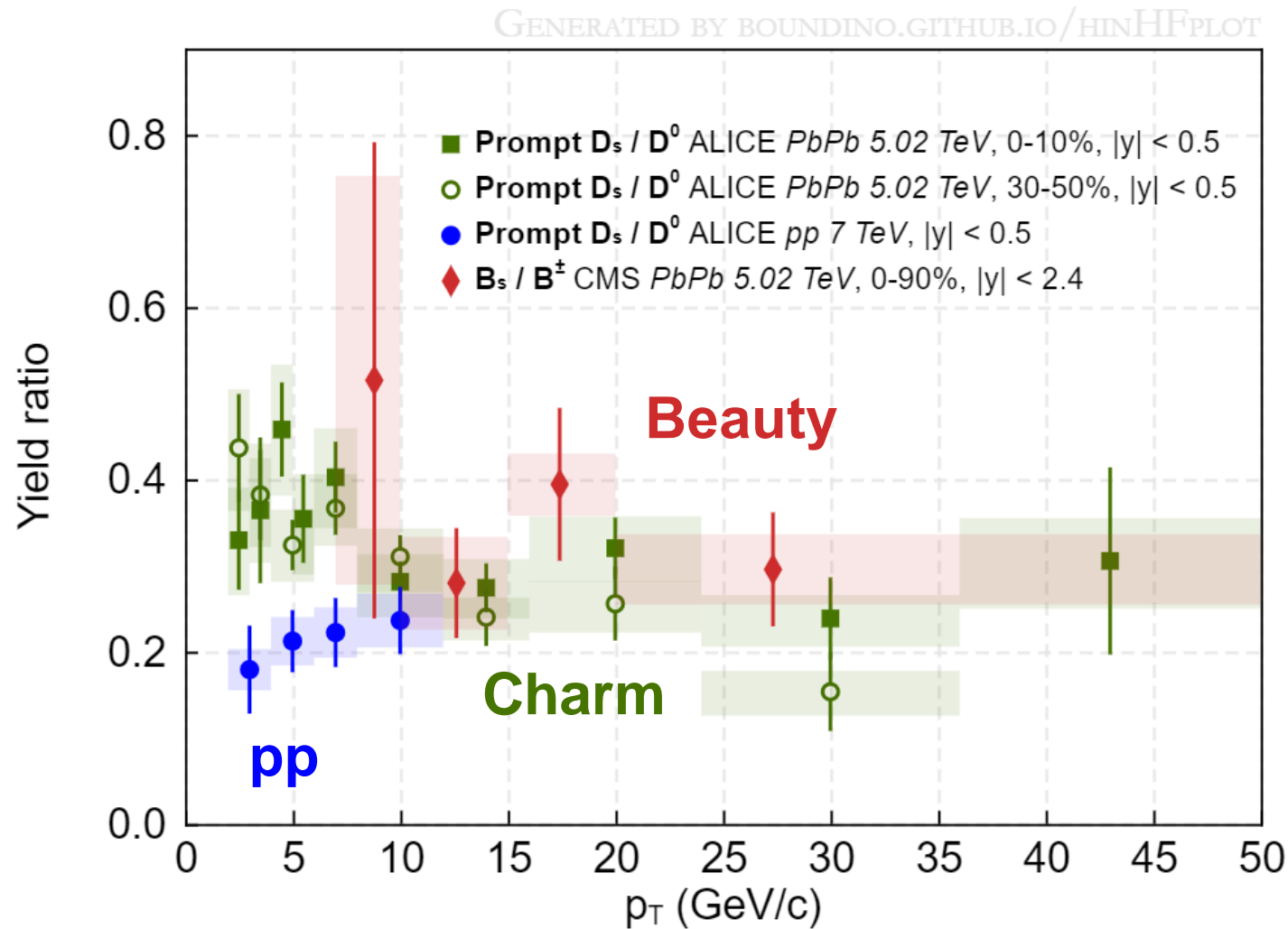


- Indication of larger  $B_s/B^+$  ratios in PbPb compared to pp reference
- Data are consistent with expectation from theoretical models
- Indication of larger  $B_s/B^+$  ratio in central event, to be followed up with Run 3+4 data

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# Charm and Beauty Hadronization



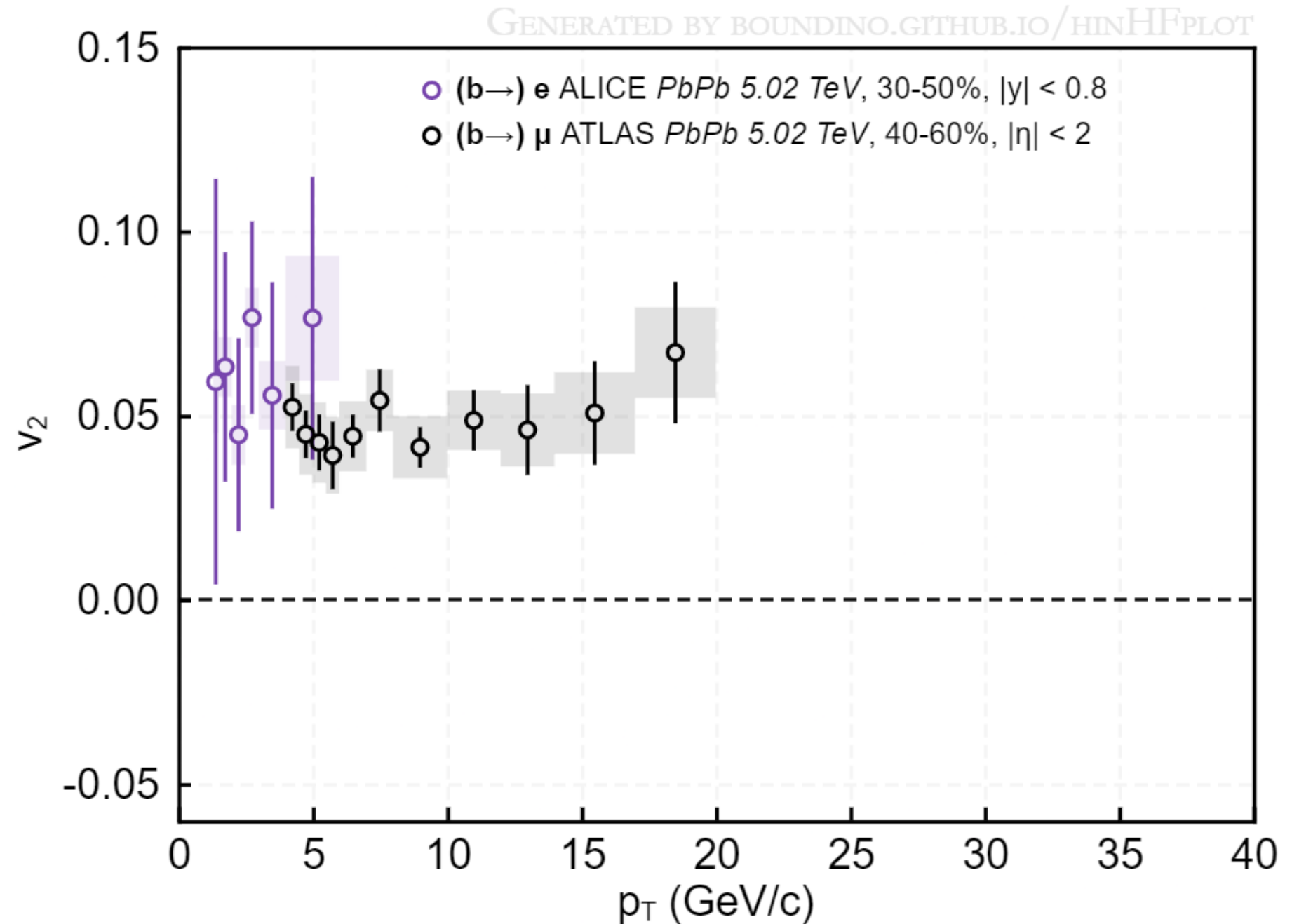
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- The magnitude of  $D_s / D^0$  and  $B_s / B^+$  are similar in **pp** and PbPb collisions
- Difference between PbPb data and **pp reference** decreases at high  $p_T$



# Beauty Azimuthal Anisotropy

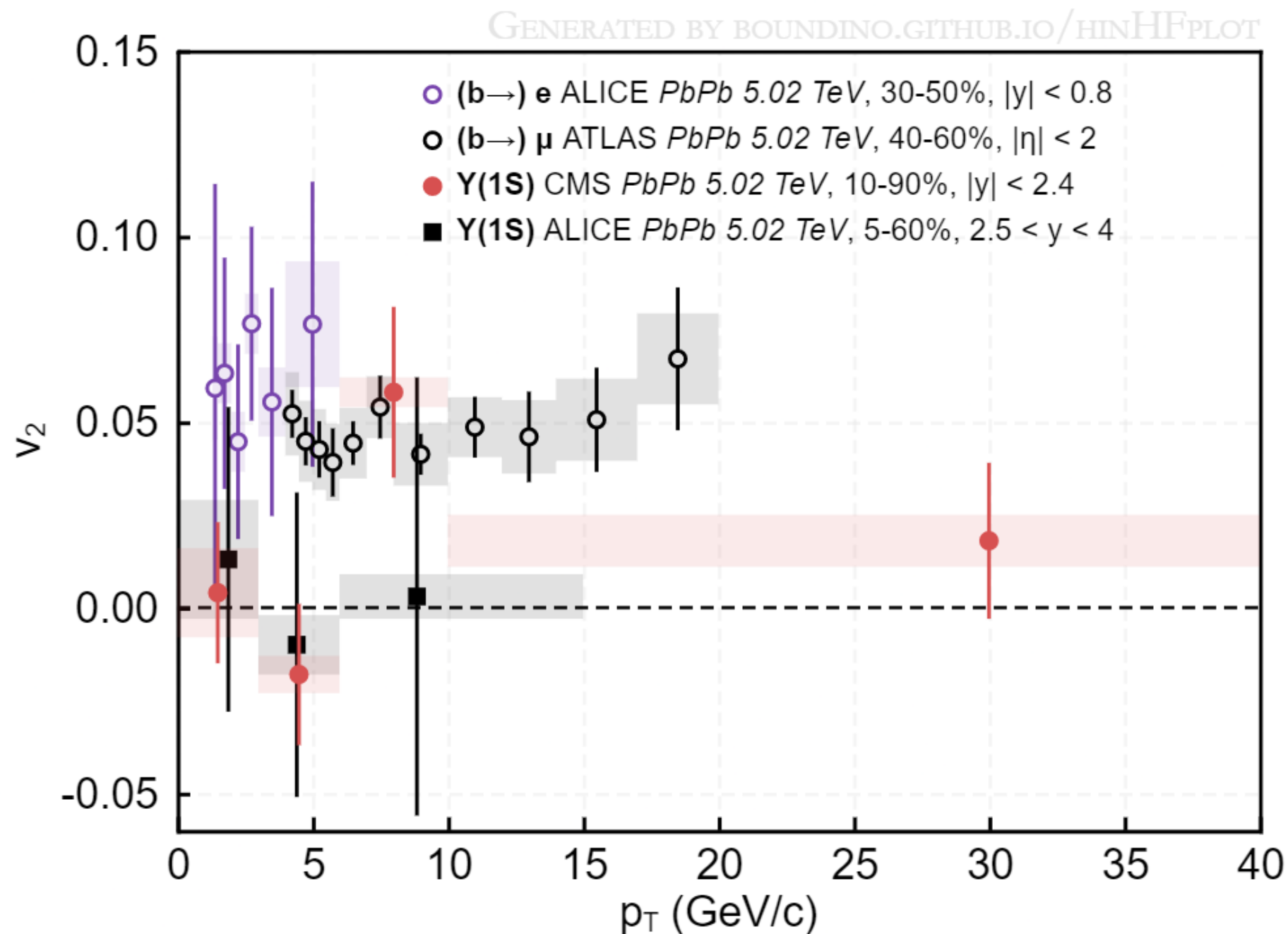
- Significant positive  $v_2$  signals have been reported in beauty decay lepton measurements
- However, the correlation between **lepton** and **beauty**  $p_T$  (in particular, direction) is weaker at low  $p_T$
- Lack of structure: the measured  $v_2$  is not varying as a function of lepton  $p_T$



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ALICE preliminary

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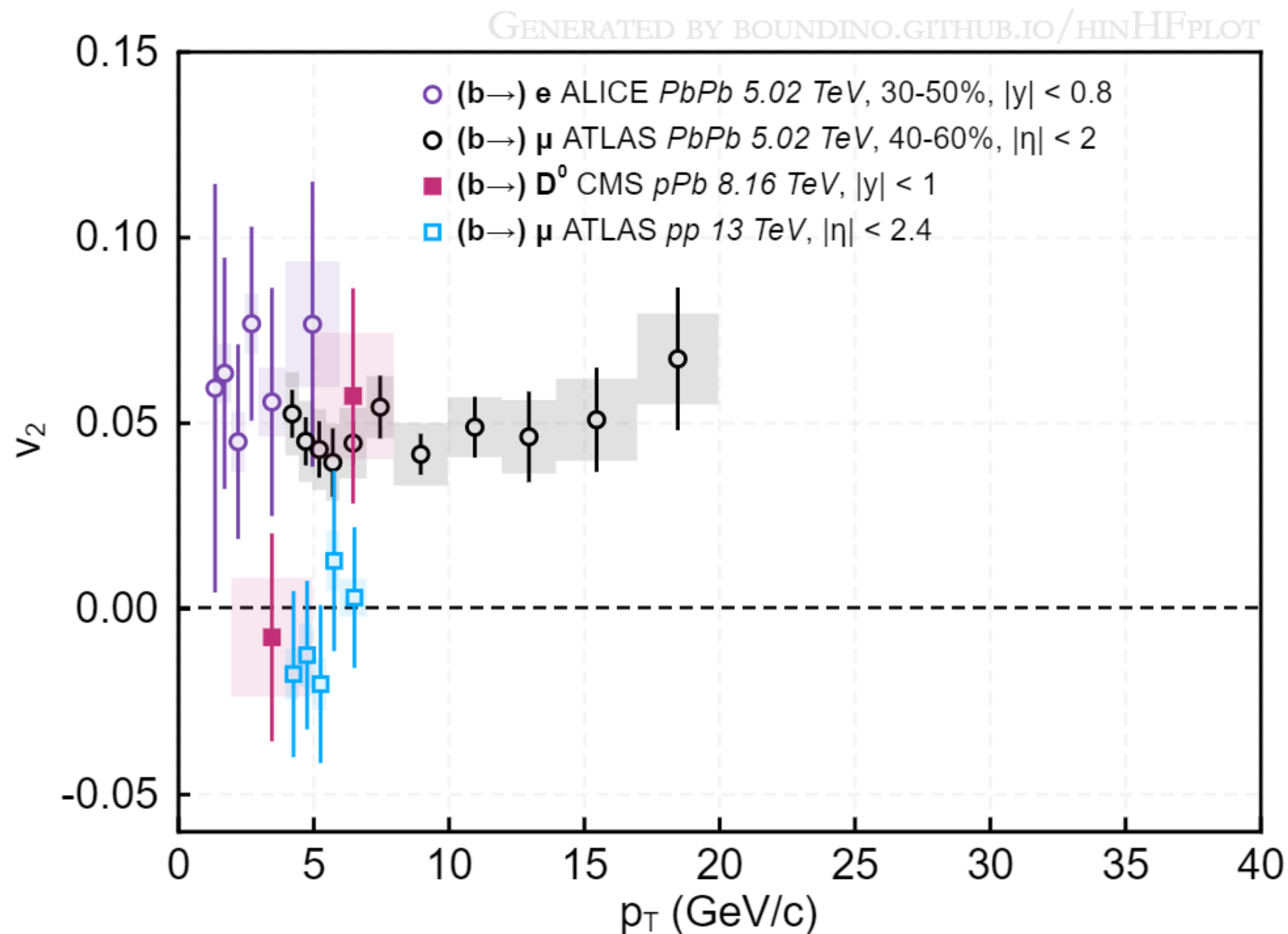
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Y(1S) CMS PLB 819 (2021) 136385  
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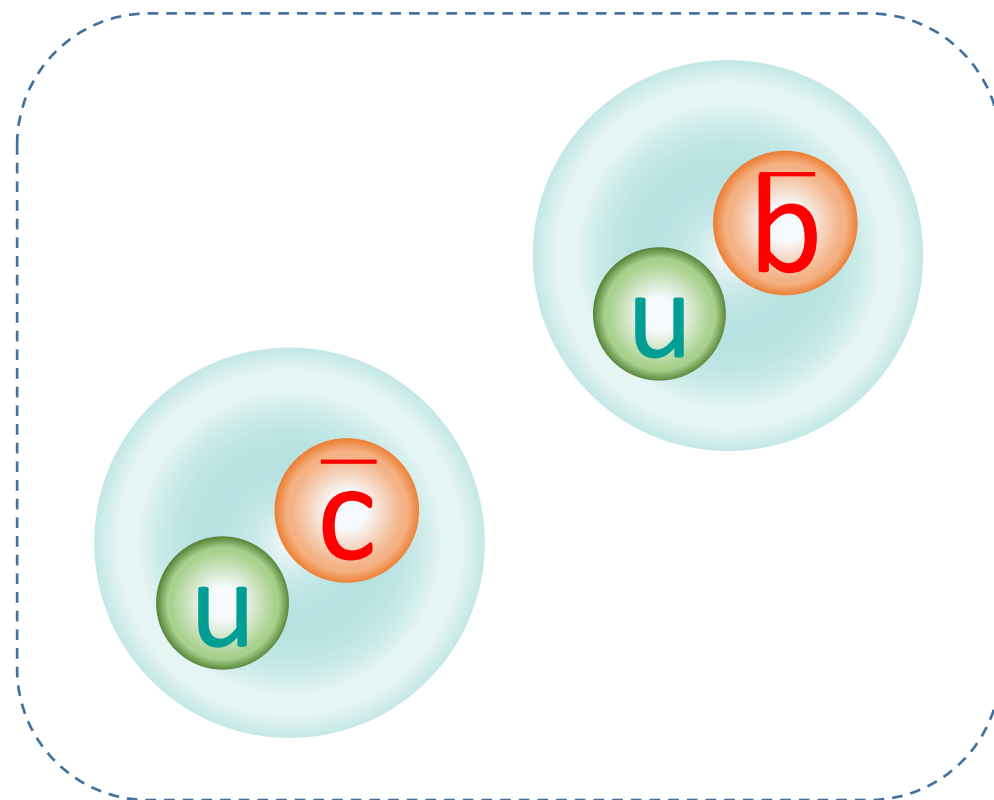
# Beauty Azimuthal Anisotropy

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- Indication of larger  $v_2$  (from beauty decay leptons) compared to  $Y(1S)$
- Indication of a smaller beauty  $v_2$  signal in high multiplicity **pp** and **pPb** collisions

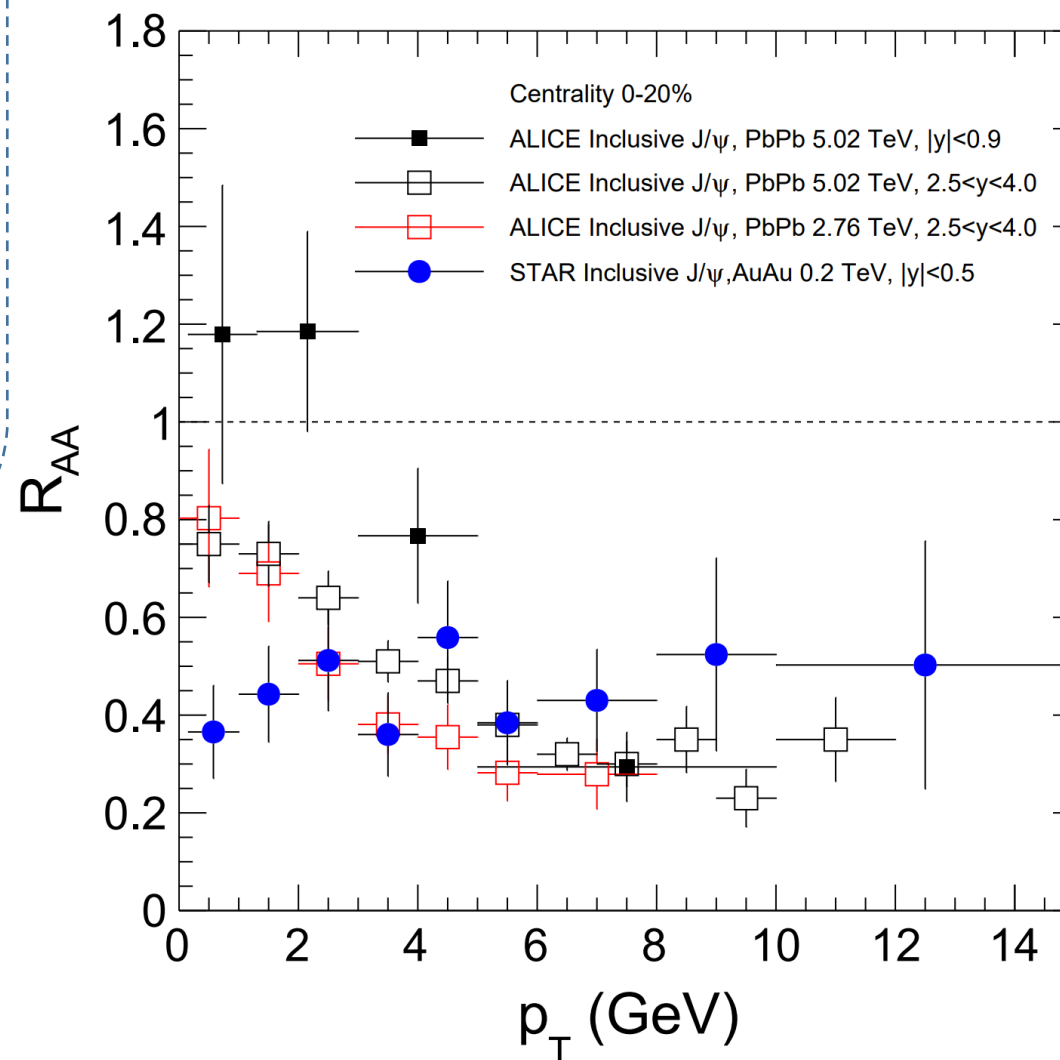
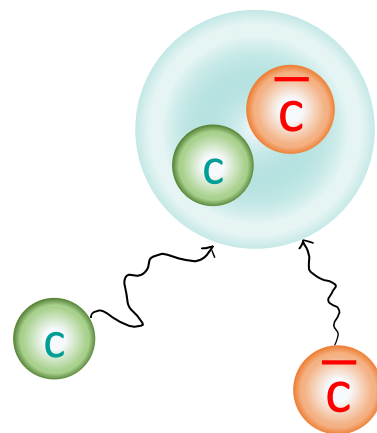
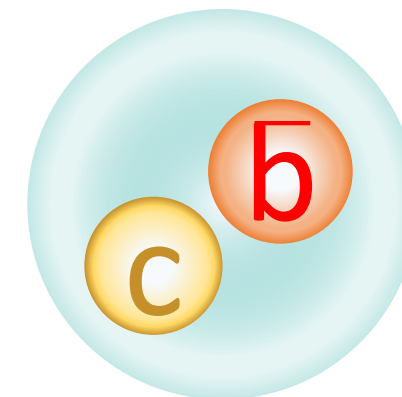


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CMS pPb PLB 813 (2021) 136036  
ATLAS pp PRL 124 (2020) 082301

# Beyond the Studies of Heavy Flavor Hadrons (I)



Charmed beauty hadron



STAR PLB 797 (2019) 134917  
 ALICE JHEP 2002 (2020) 041  
 PLB 805 (2020) 135434  
 JHEP 05 (2016) 179

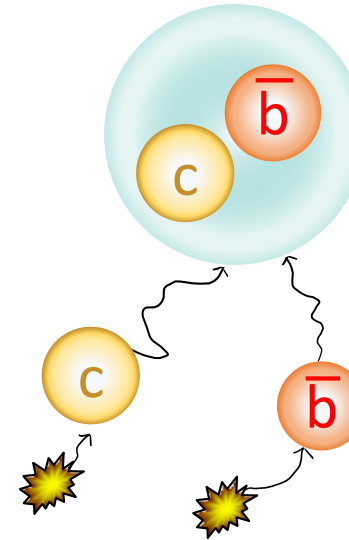
# Physics with $B_c^+$

- $B_c^+$  mass is below B+D mass threshold

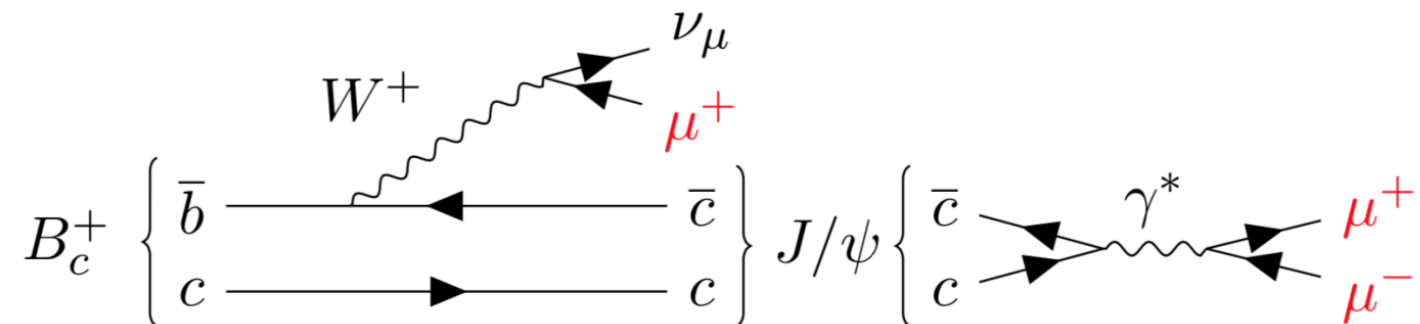
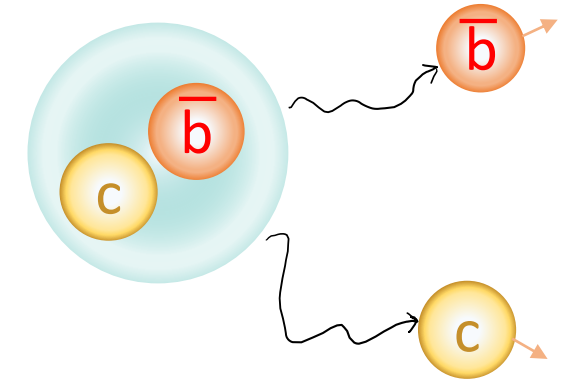
State	$J/\psi$	$\Psi(2S)$	$B_c^+$	$Y(1S)$	$Y(2S)$	$Y(3S)$
Mass (GeV)	3.10	3.68	6.27	9.46	10.02	10.36
$\Delta E$ (GeV)	0.64	0.05	0.87	1.10	0.54	0.20

- Binding energy of  $B_c^+$  is between  $J/\psi$  and  $Y(1S)$ :
  - Sensitive to medium induced dissociation
- Very small production cross-section in pp
  - Sensitive to medium effects such as **recombination of beauty with an uncorrelated charm quark**
- Parton energy loss: interesting combination of beauty and charm quarks

Recombination

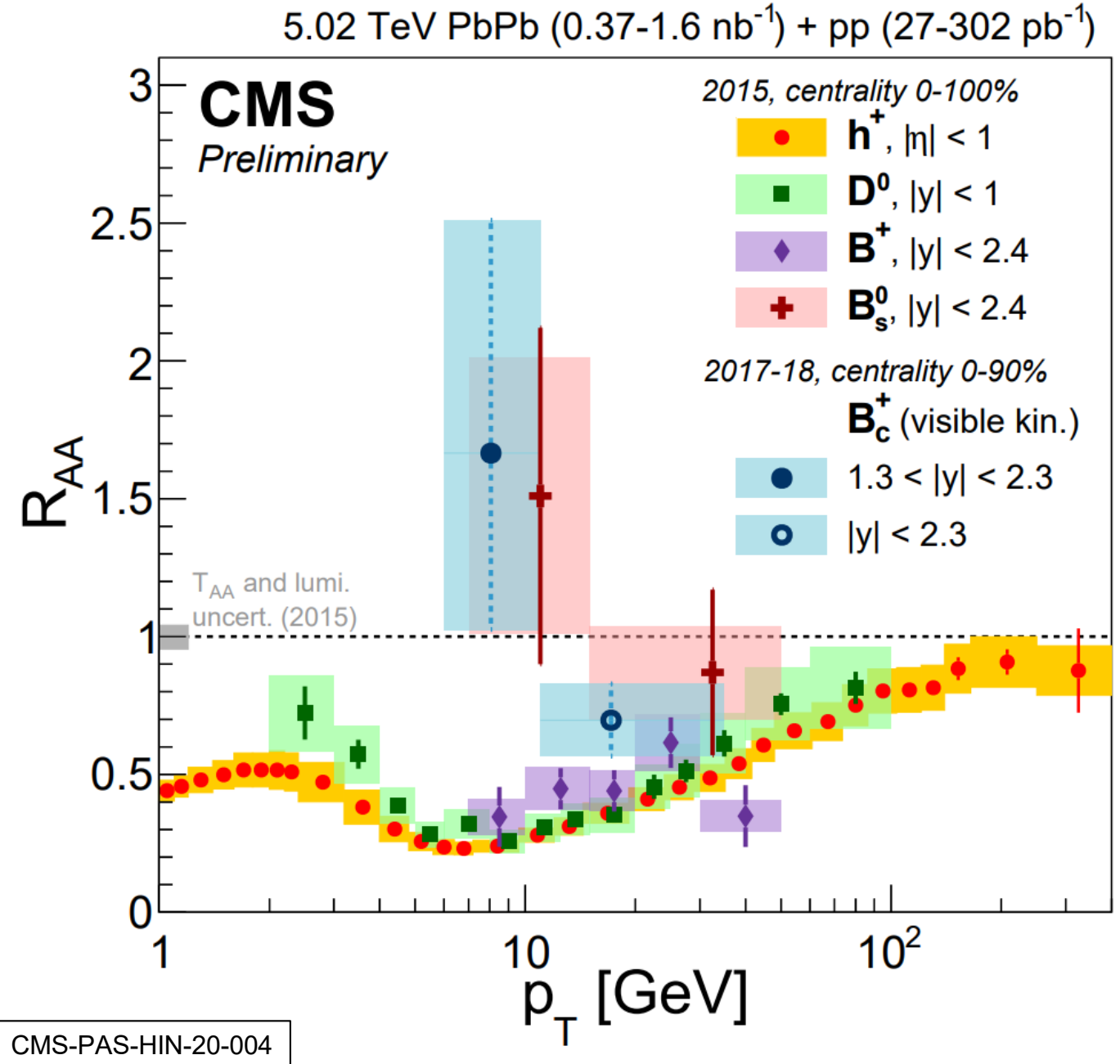


Dissociation



# $B_c^+$ $R_{AA}$ compared to charged hadron, $D^0$ and B

- Significance of  $B_c^+$  signal is **well above  $5\sigma$** 
  - **First observation of  $B_c^+$  production in heavy ion collisions!**
- Similar suppression in  $B_s$  and  $B_c^+$ 
  - $B_c$   $p_T$  is partially reconstructed (tri-muon)
  - Large experimental uncertainty to be improved with Run3+4 data.
- At low  $p_T$ : the  $B_c^+$   $R_{AA}$  central value is higher than **charged hadron  $h^+$** ,  $B^+$  and  $D^0$   $R_{AA}$
- At high  $p_T$ : similar suppression
  - Mass dependent medium modifications such as dead-cone and hadronization effects reduce at high  $p_T$
  - $R_{AA}$  of all flavor identified hadrons seem to converge above  $\sim 20\text{-}30$  GeV



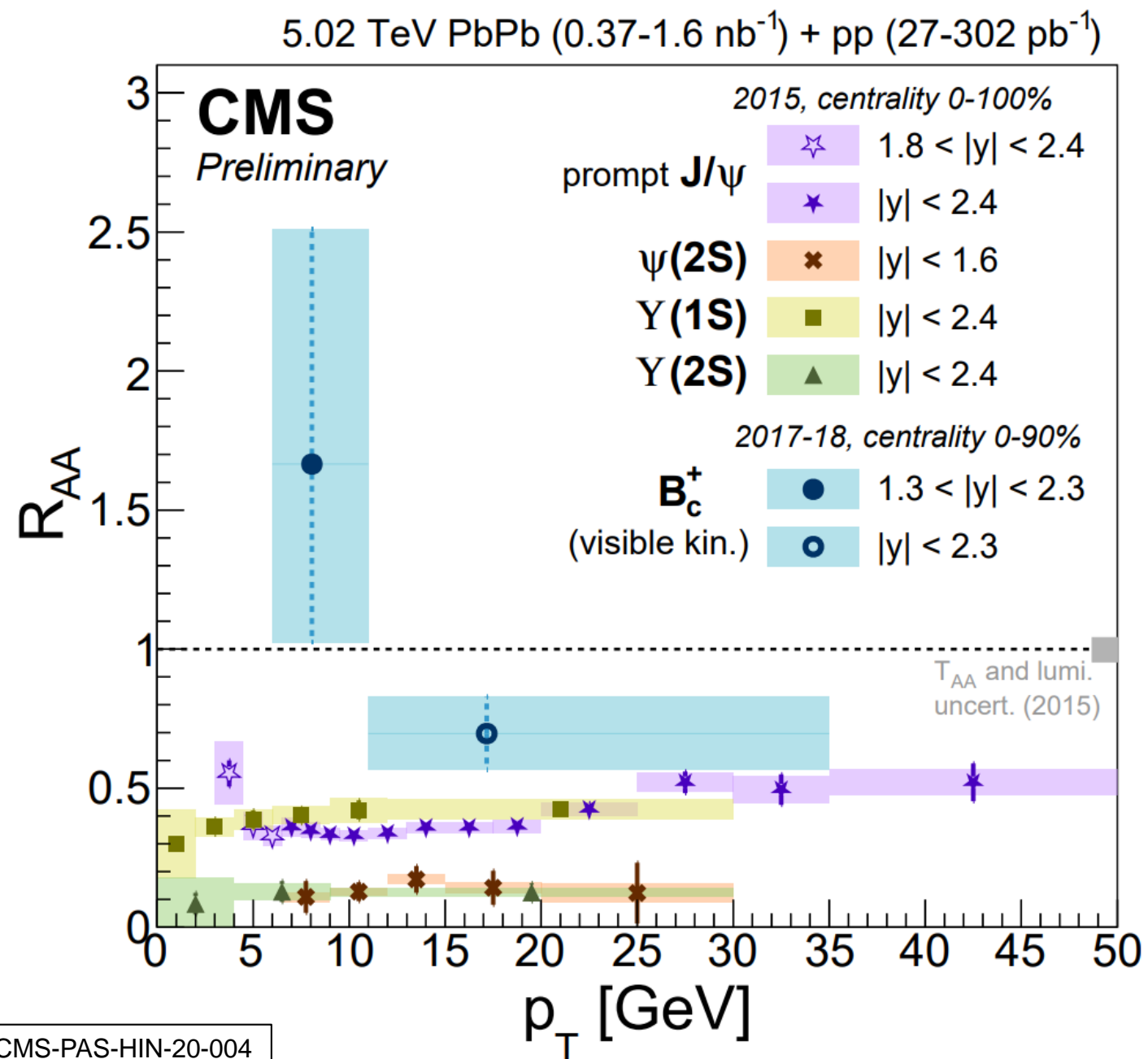


# $B_c^+ R_{AA}$ Compared to Quarkonia at CMS

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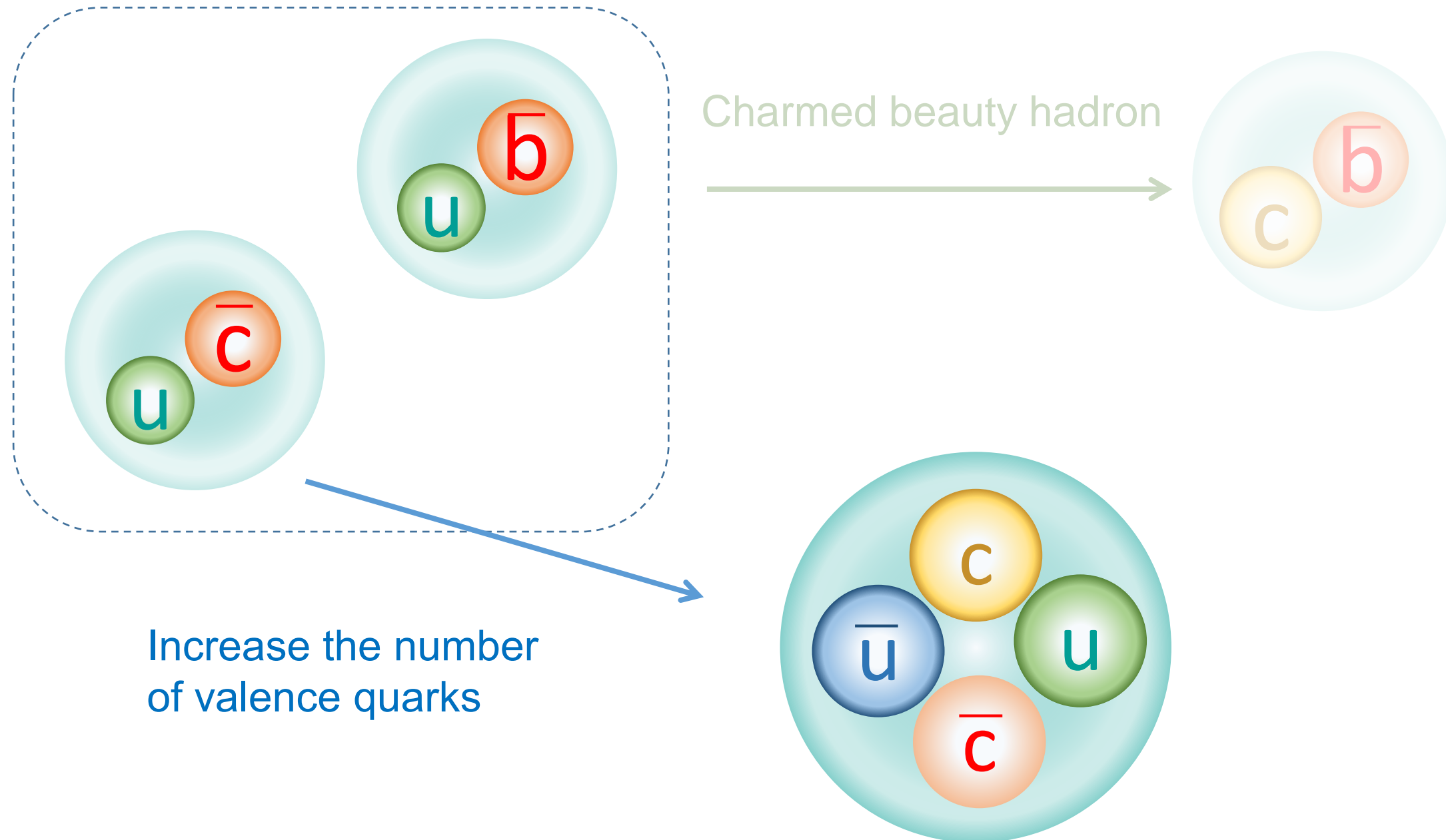

  
 Small binding energy Large binding energy

- $B_c^+ R_{AA}$  is higher than Quarkonia
  - Binding energy between  $J/\psi$  and  $Y(1S)$
  - Large experimental uncertainties prevent a firm conclusion
- Recombination of charm and beauty could increase the  $B_c^+ R_{AA}$
- Would be interesting to go to low  $p_T < 5$  GeV with future CMS and ALICE data in Run 3+4





# Beyond the Studies of Heavy Flavor Hadrons (II)



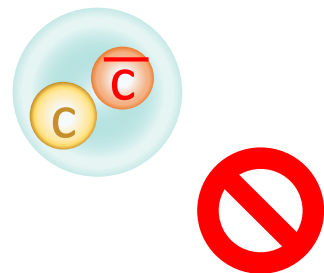
# X(3872)

## X(3872): Observed by Belle (2003), its internal structure is still under debate

- Quantum number determined by CDF and LHCb data:  $J^{PC}=1^{++}$
- **Charmonium** interpretation: **abandoned**, predict wrong mass with  $J^{PC}=1^{++}$
- Remaining possibilities:
  - **D-D\* hadron molecule**: mass  $X(3872) \approx D(1875)D^*(2007)$ , large & extended state
  - **Tetraquark**: a compact four quark state
  - **Hybrid**: mixed molecule-charmonium state

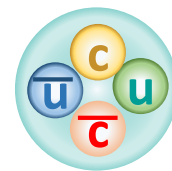
BELLE PRL 91, 262001 (2003)  
 CDF PRL 98, 132002 (2007)  
 LHCb PRL 110, 222001 (2013)

### Charmonium



PLB 590 209-215 (2004)

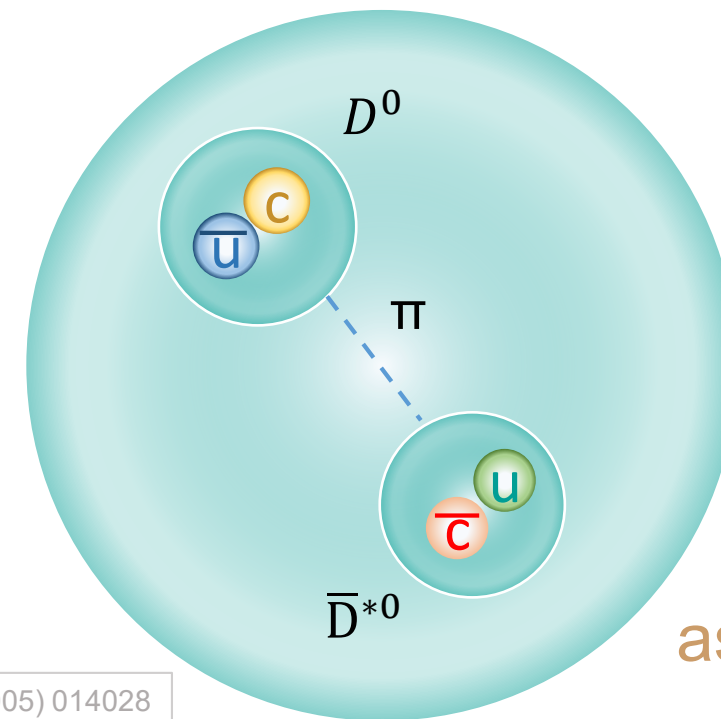
### Tetraquark (4q)



$r_{4q} \approx r_{cc\bar{c}}$   
 $\approx 0.3 \text{ fm}$

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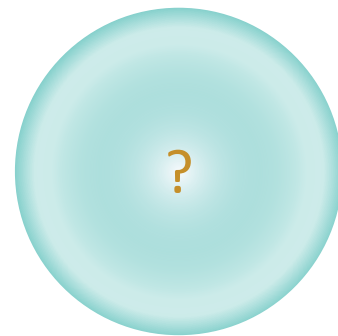
### $D^0 - \bar{D}^{*0}$ molecule



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$r_{\text{molecule}}$   
 as large as 5 fm

### Hybrid

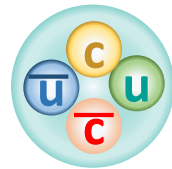


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# Probe the Nature of X(3872)

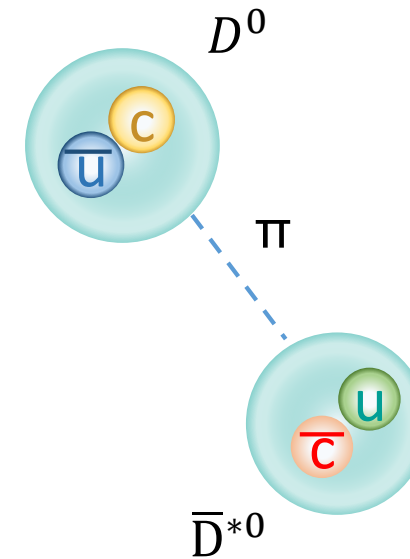
Tightly bound

Tetraquark (4q)



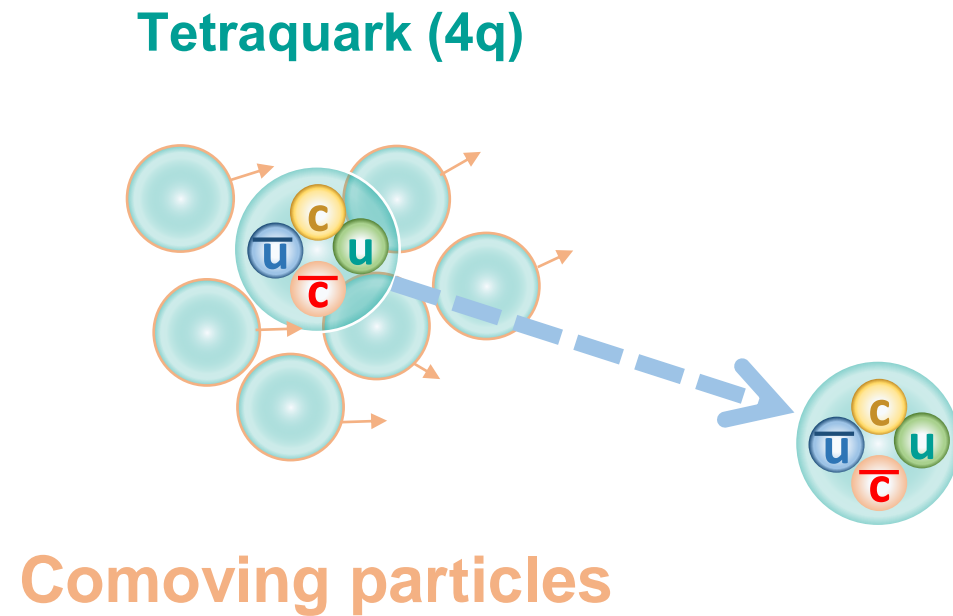
Loosely bound

$D^0 - \bar{D}^{*0}$  molecule



# Probe the Nature of X(3872) with Comoving Particles

Tightly bound



Smaller dissociation probability

Loosely bound

$D^0 - \bar{D}^{*0}$  molecule

 $D^0$  $\bar{D}^{*0}$  $\pi$ 

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Esposito et al, arXiv: 2006.15044

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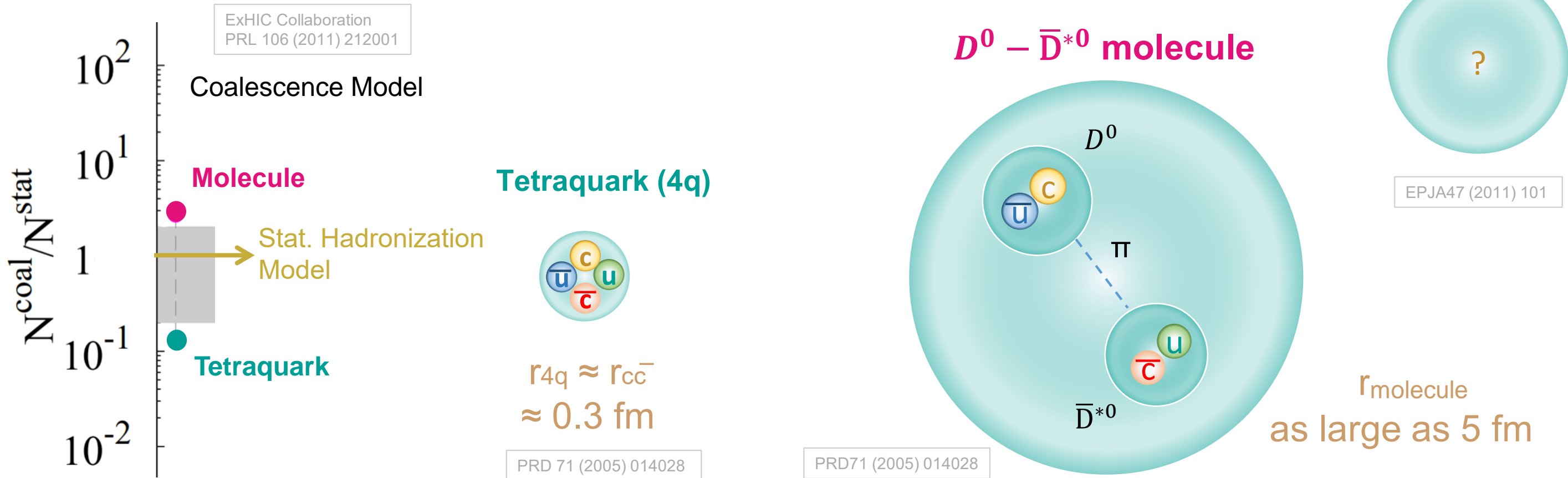
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# X(3872) Production in Heavy Ion Collisions

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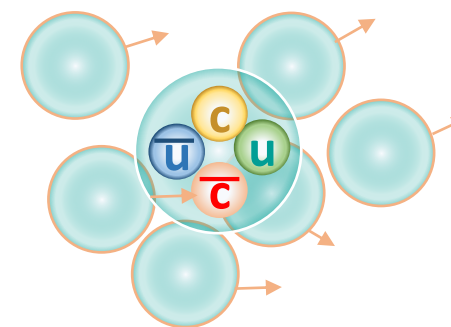
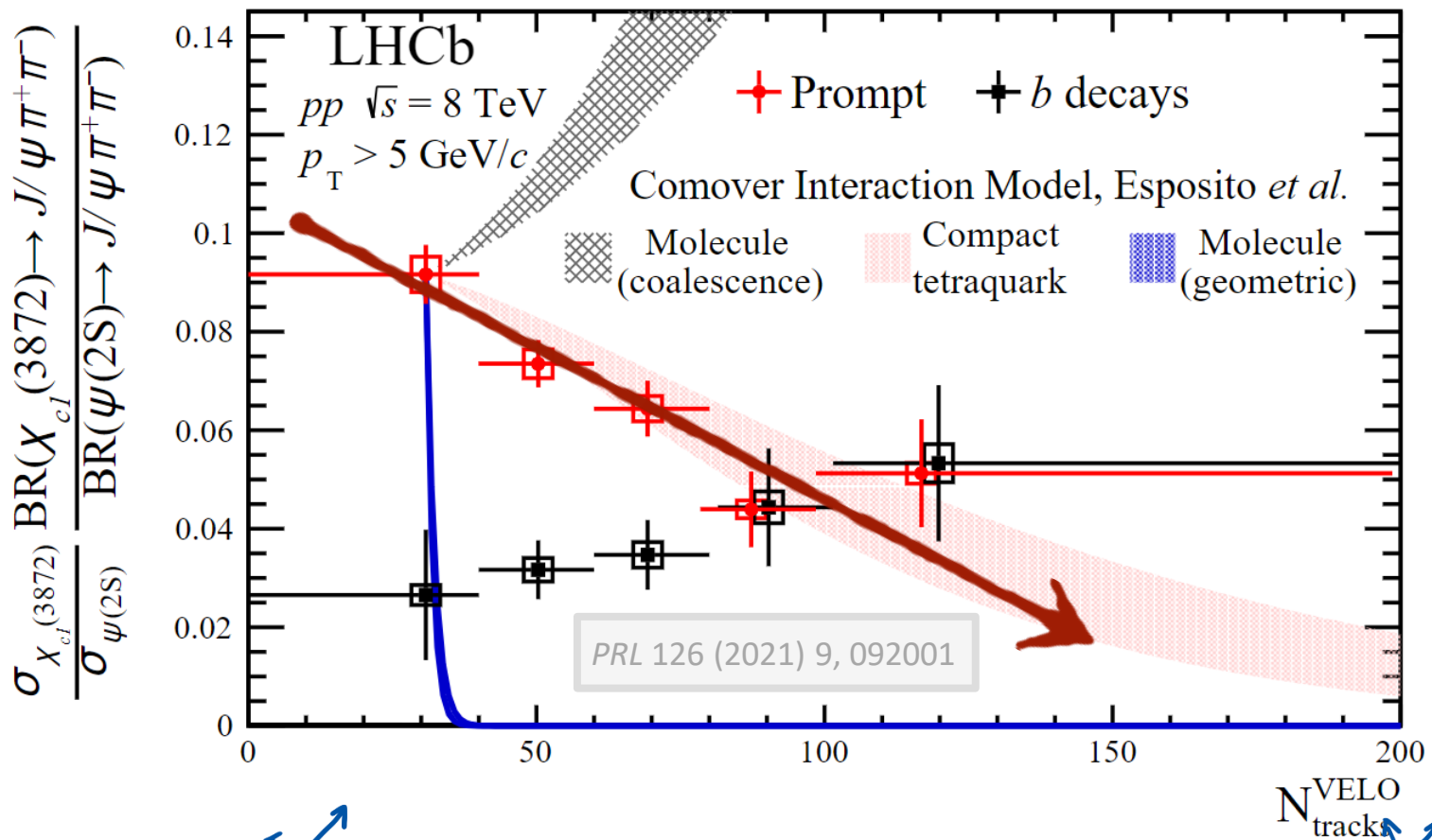
- Production yield in QGP strongly reflects internal structure in the coalescence model
- Hadron Gas Phase: Interact with other hadrons: production + absorption  
 $\pi X \rightleftharpoons DD\bar{,} DD\bar{*}$  &  $\rho X \rightleftharpoons DD\bar{,} DD\bar{*}, D^*D\bar{*}$
- Radius  $r_{4q} \ll r_{mol}$ : **Molecule** easier to be produced and destroyed than **tetraquark**

⇒ Production in heavy ion collisions: Reveal the inner structure of X(3872)



# X(3872) in High Multiplicity pp from LHCb

## Prompt X(3872)/ $\psi(2S)$ vs. multiplicity in pp



Prompt X

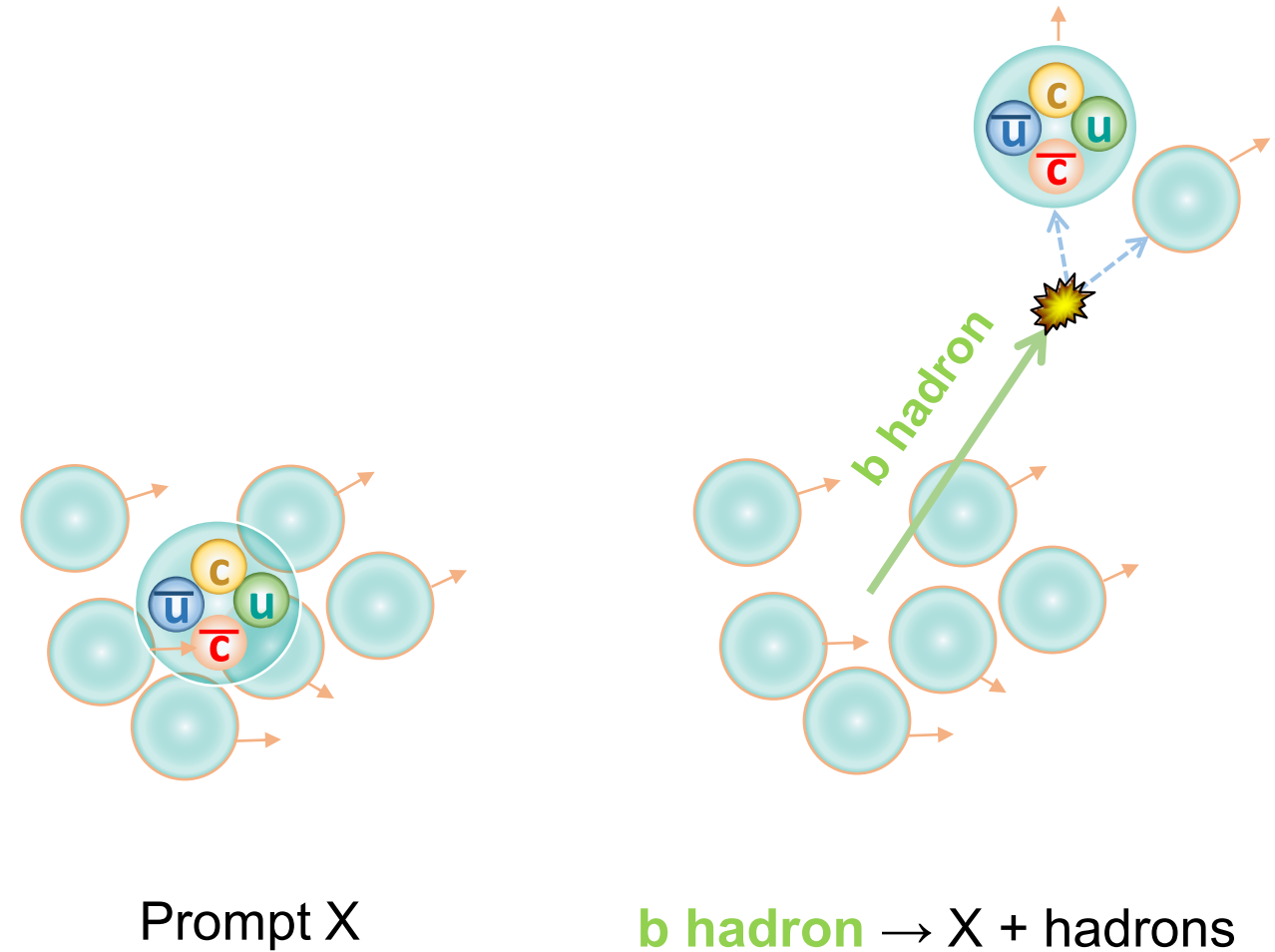
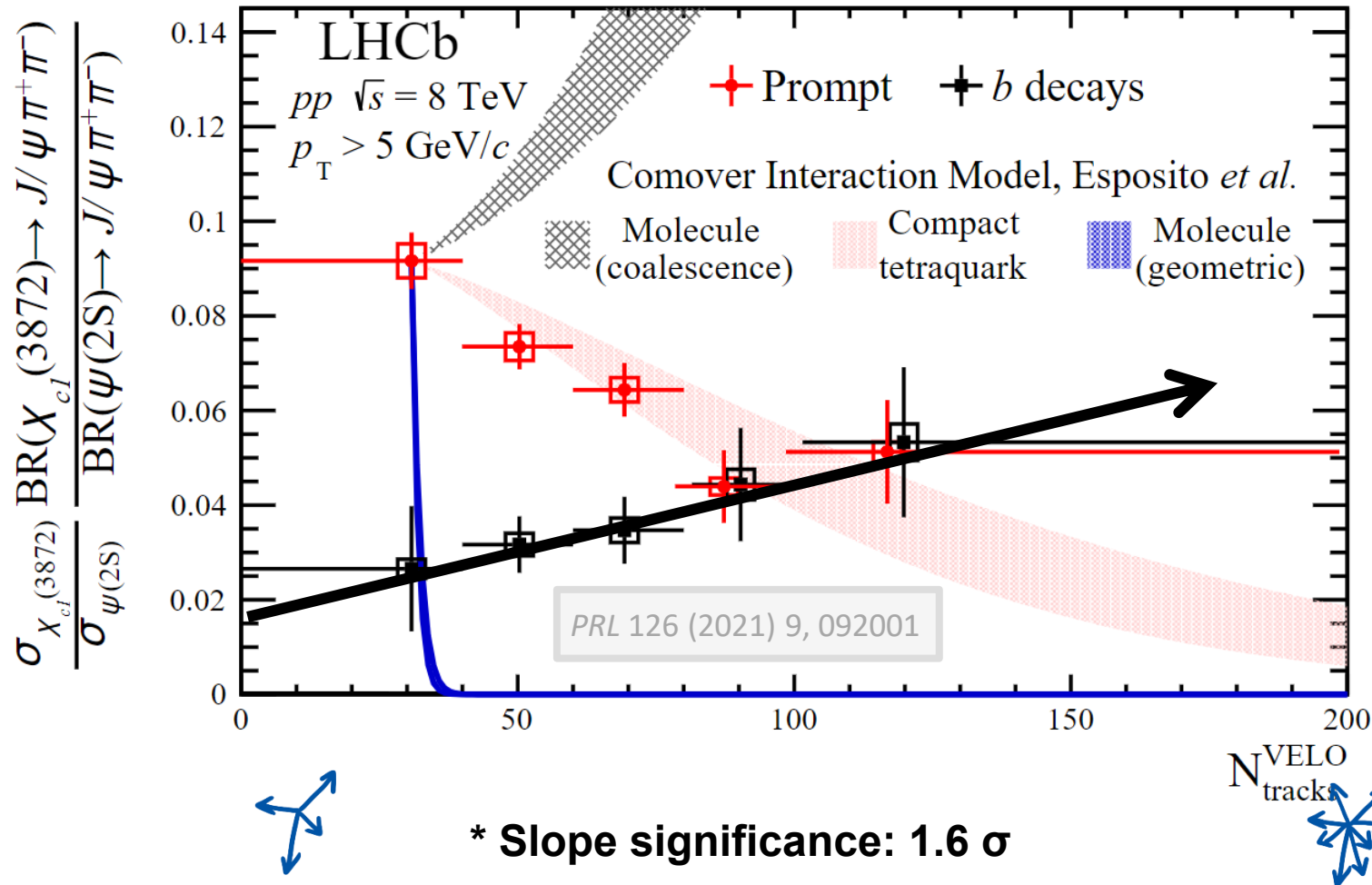
\* Slope significance:  $5 \sigma$

- Destroyed by interactions with other hadrons due to smaller binding energy?



# Non-prompt X(3872) in pp from LHCb

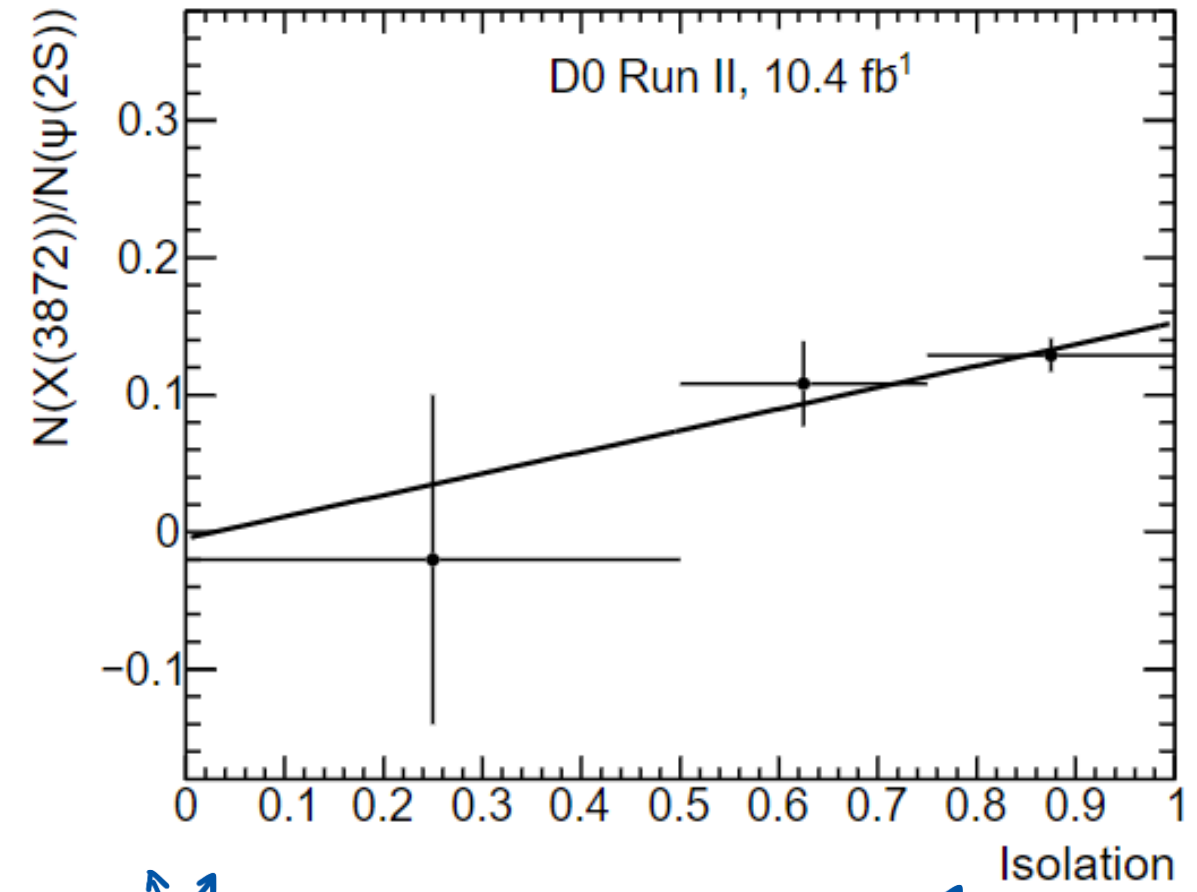
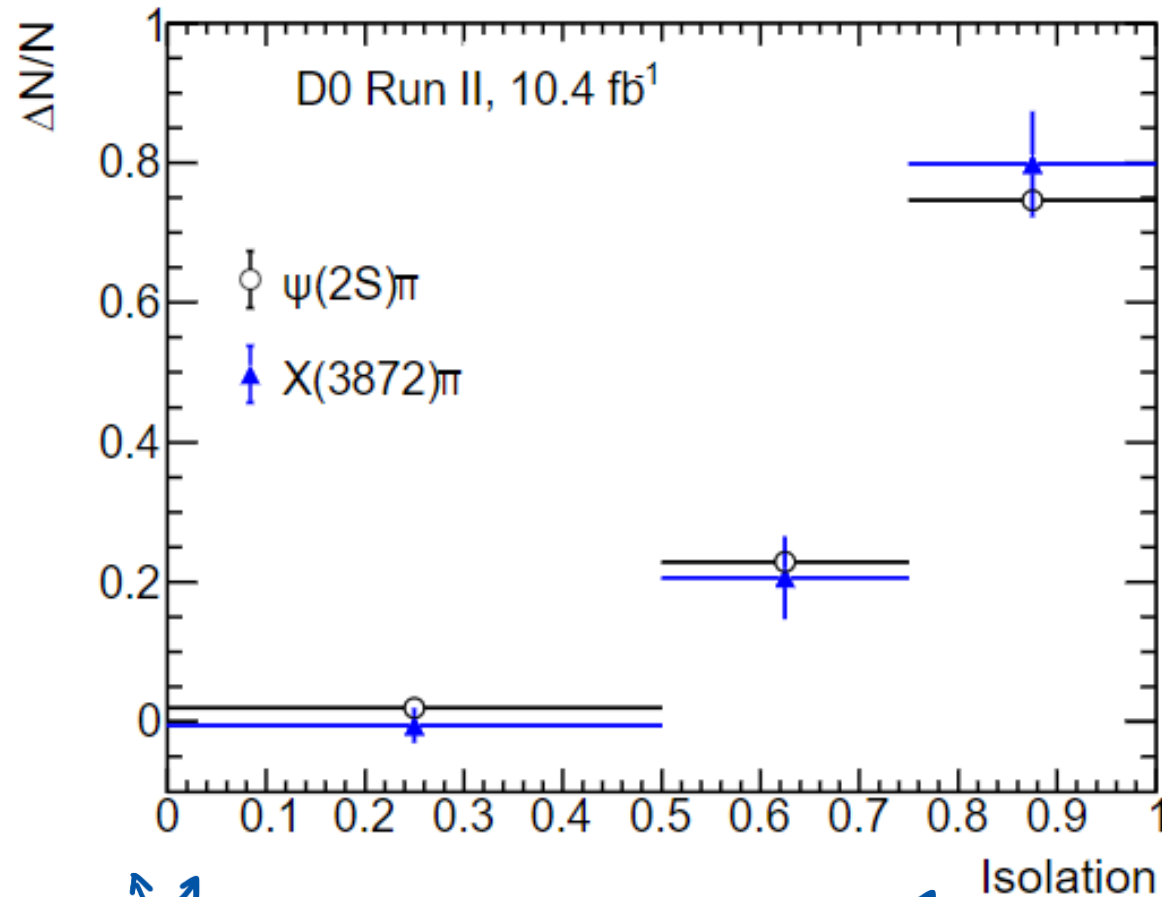
## Prompt X(3872)/ $\psi(2S)$ vs. multiplicity in pp



- X(3872) from b decays seems to follow a different trend
- Look forward to the future high multiplicity data from pA collisions



# X(3872) and $\psi(2S)$ in $p\bar{p}$ collisions at Tevatron



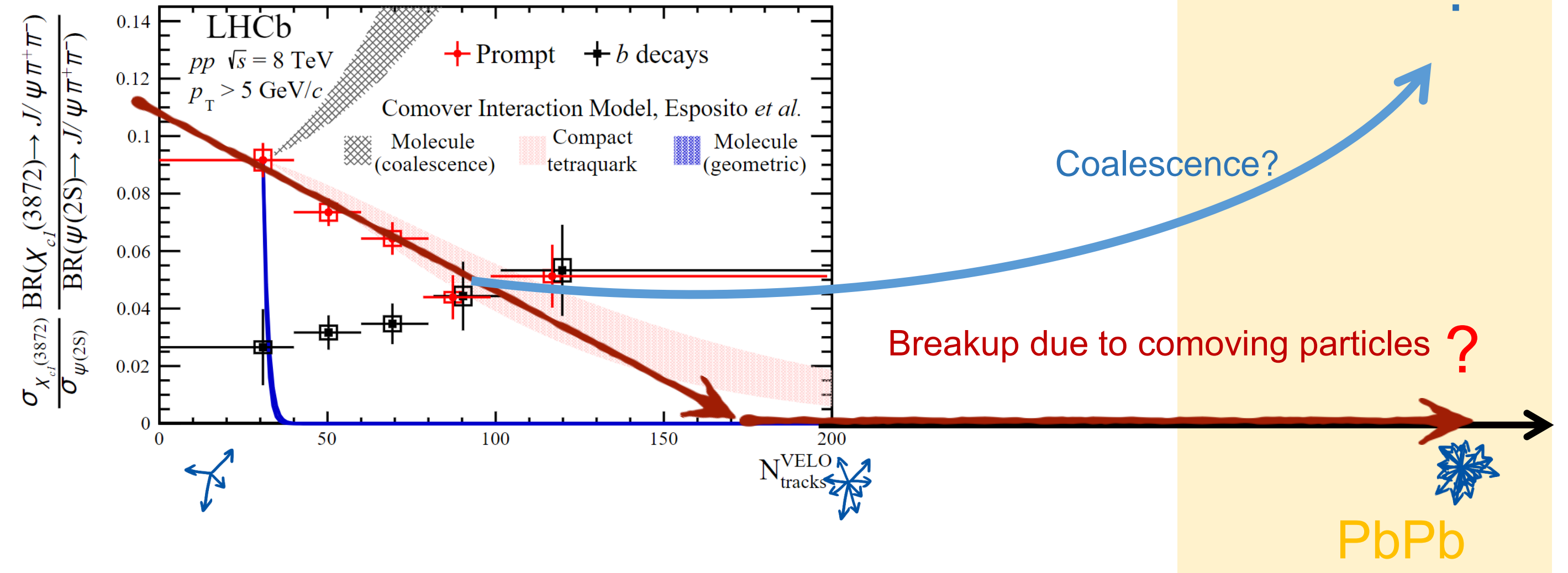
\* Slope significance: 1.2  $\sigma$

- Normalized isolation distribution (1 = fully isolated, no other activities in a cone  $\Delta R < 1$ )
- Modest support for the hypothesis that increased hadronic activity near X(3872) suppresses its production

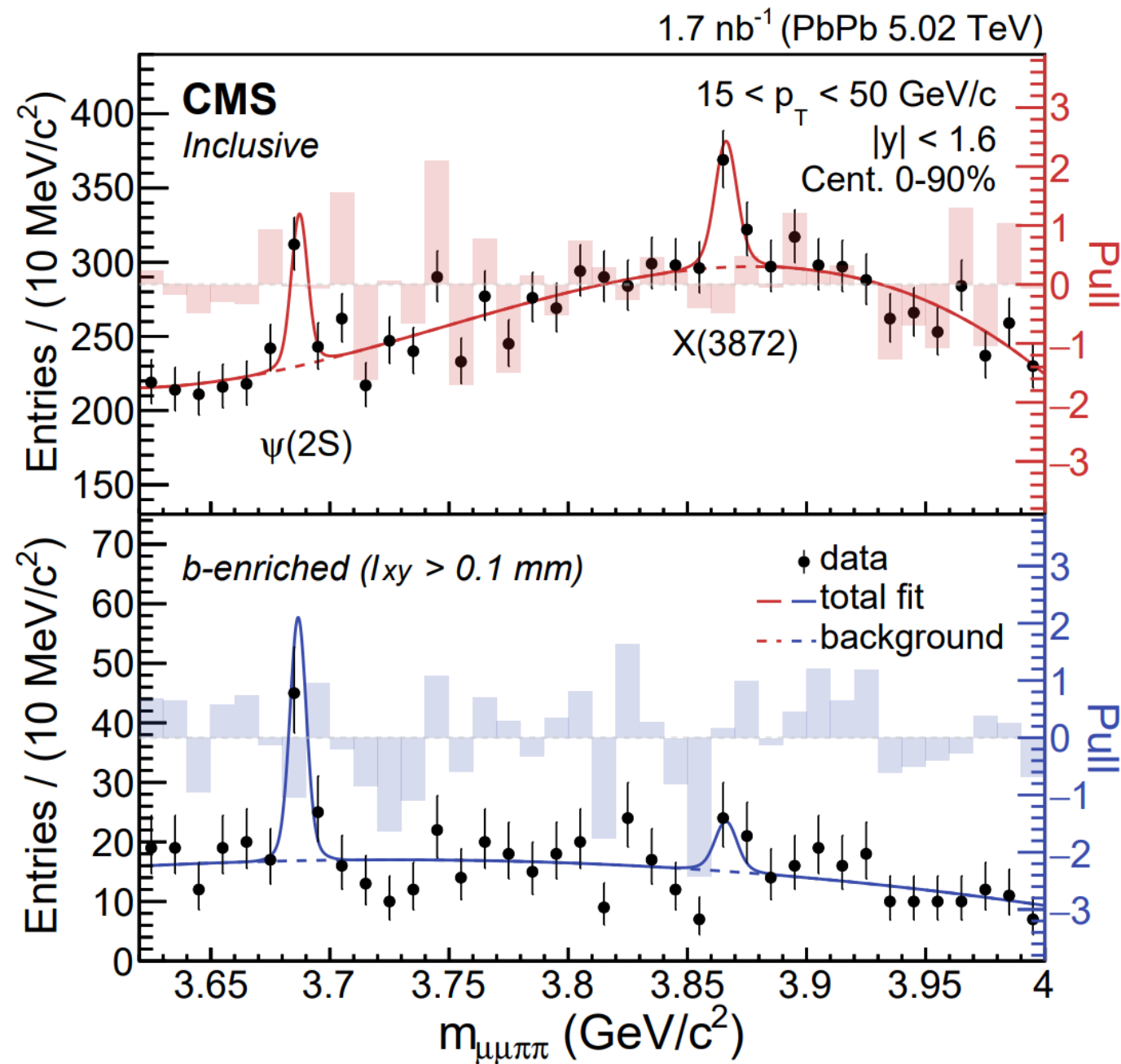
PRD 102, 072005 (2020)

# X(3872) in PbPb?

## Prompt X(3872)/ $\psi(2S)$ vs. multiplicity in pp



# Invariant Mass Spectra in PbPb Collisions at 5 TeV



- First evidence of inclusive **X(3872)** production in heavy ion collisions! (statistical significance **4.2σ**)
- The fact that there is a X(3872) peak is already very interesting!
- A clear **ψ(2S)** signal to the same final state is also observed

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submitted to PRL

# Ratio of X(3872) to $\psi(2S)$ Yields in pp and PbPb

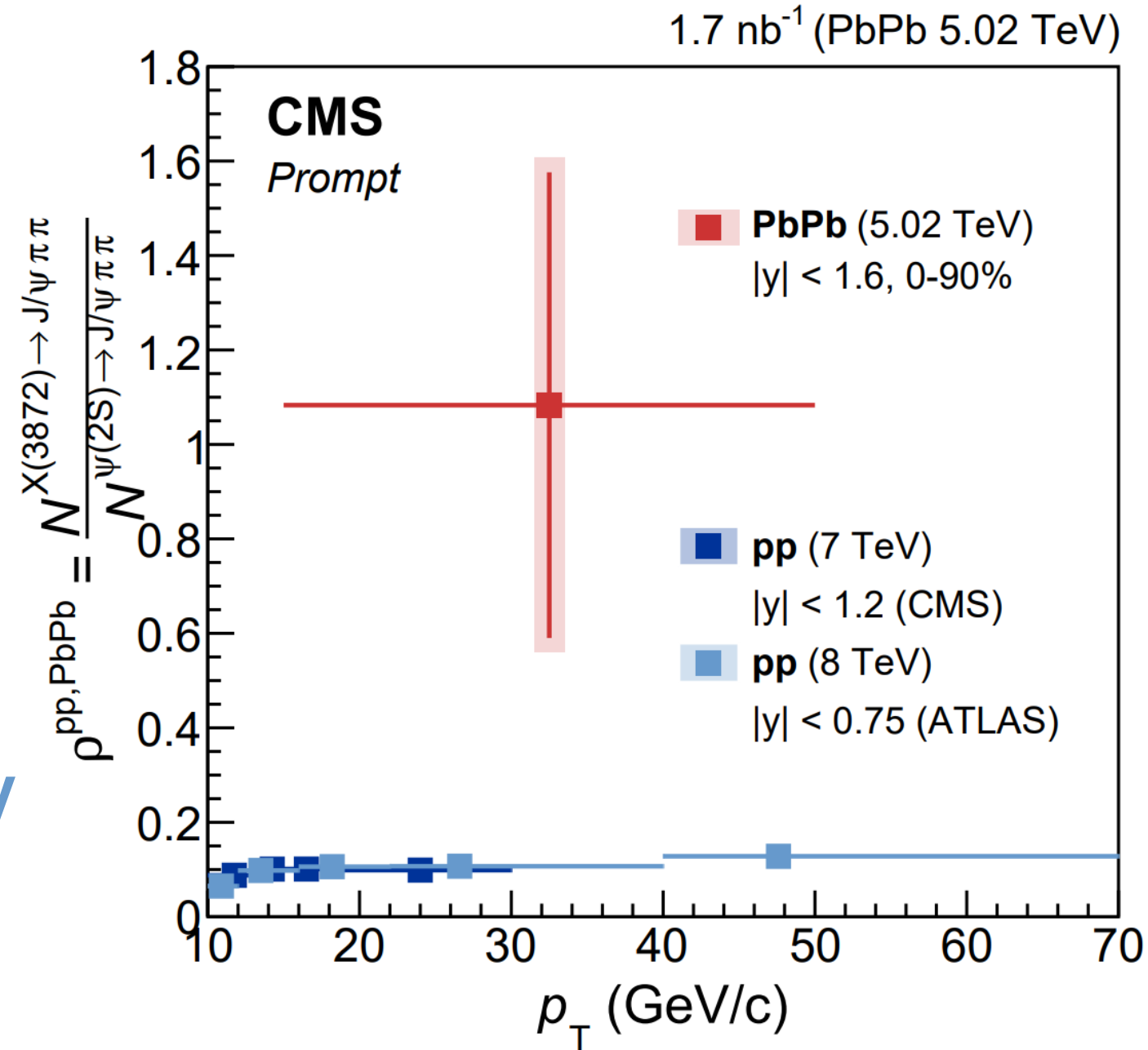
$$\rho = N_{X(3872)}^{(\text{Corr})} / N_{\psi(2S)}^{(\text{Corr})}$$

In **PbPb** collisions:

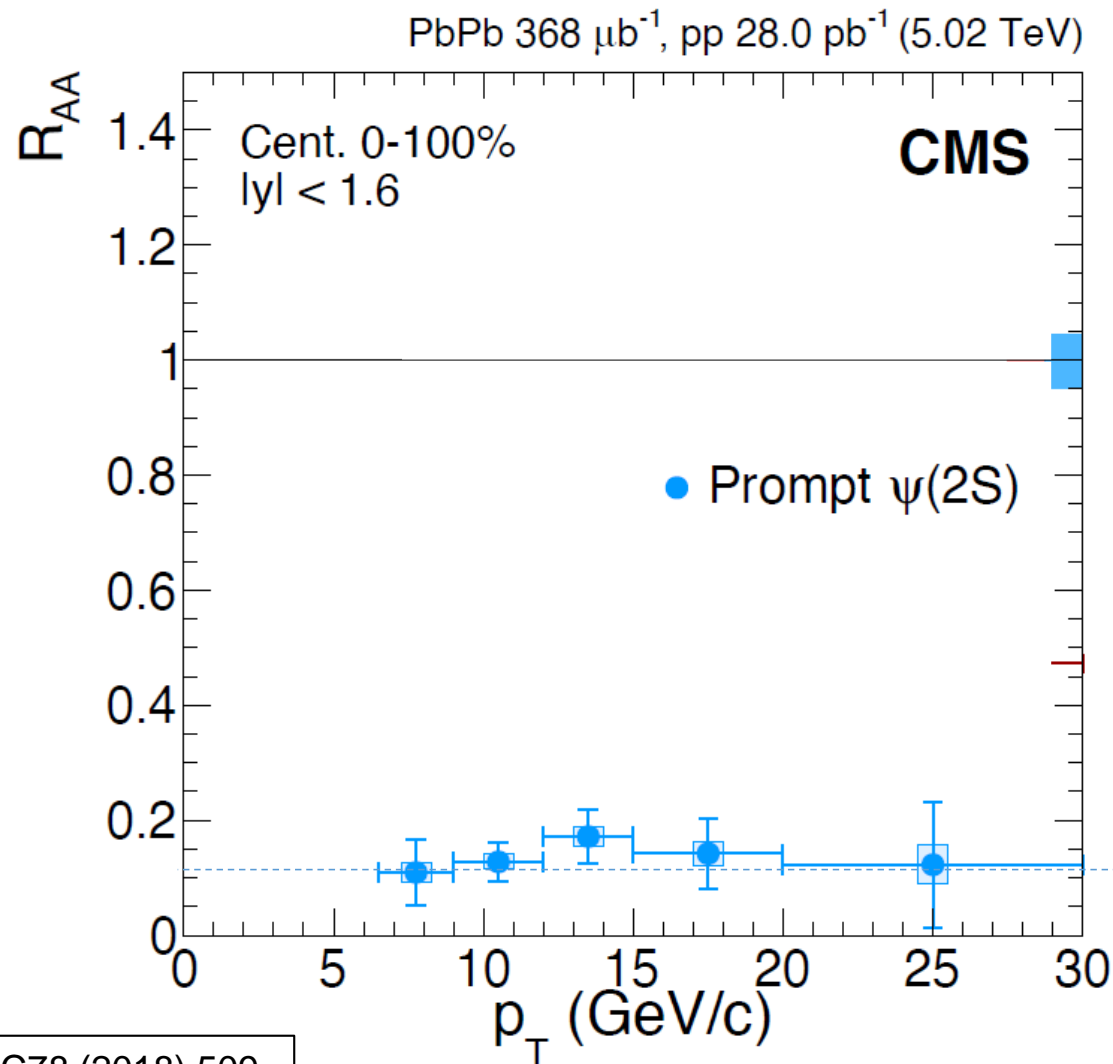
$$\rho^{\text{PbPb}} = 1.08 \pm 0.49 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.52 (\text{syst})$$

Indication of  $\rho$  enhancement in **PbPb** collisions with respect to **pp at 7 and 8 TeV**

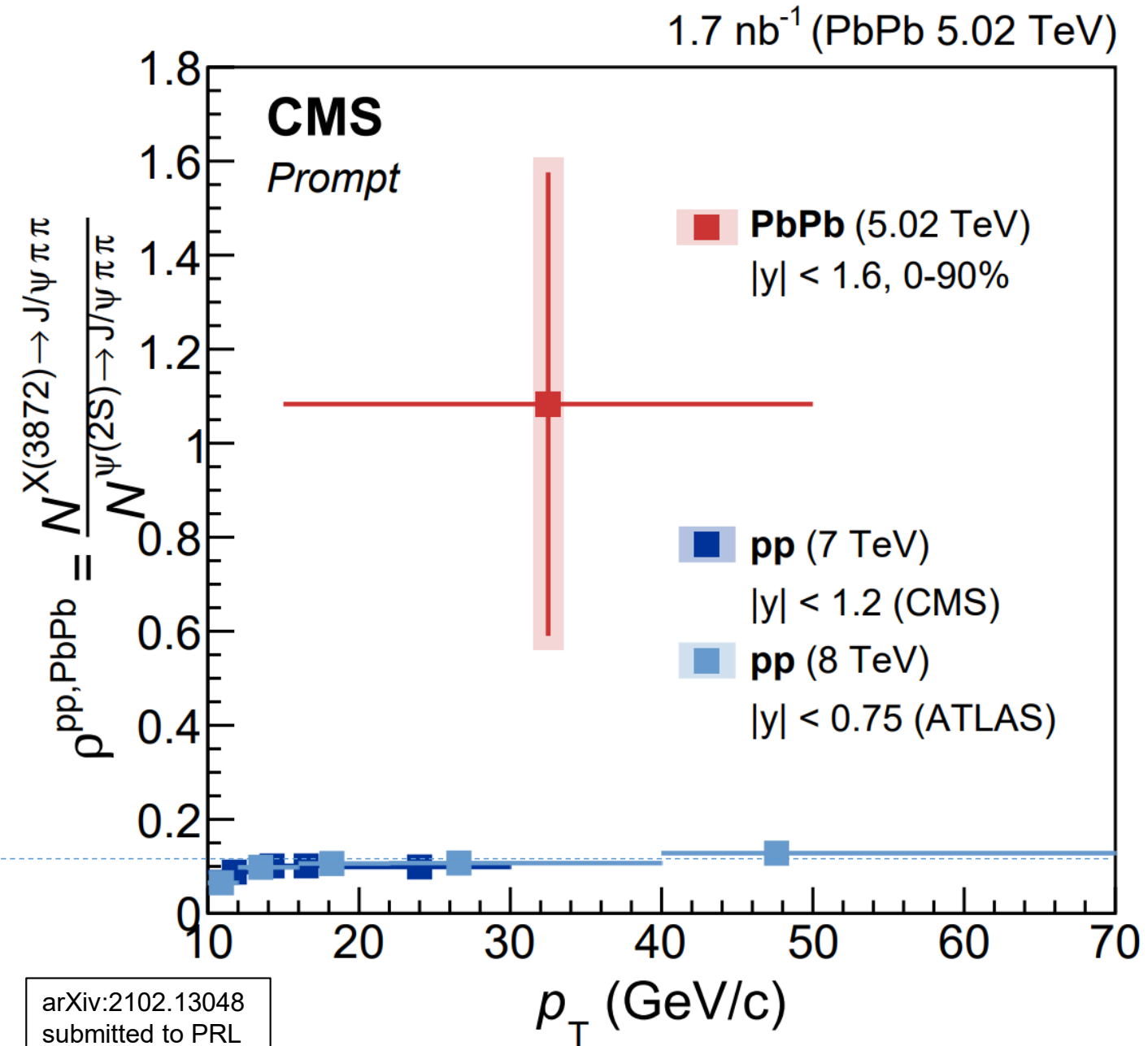
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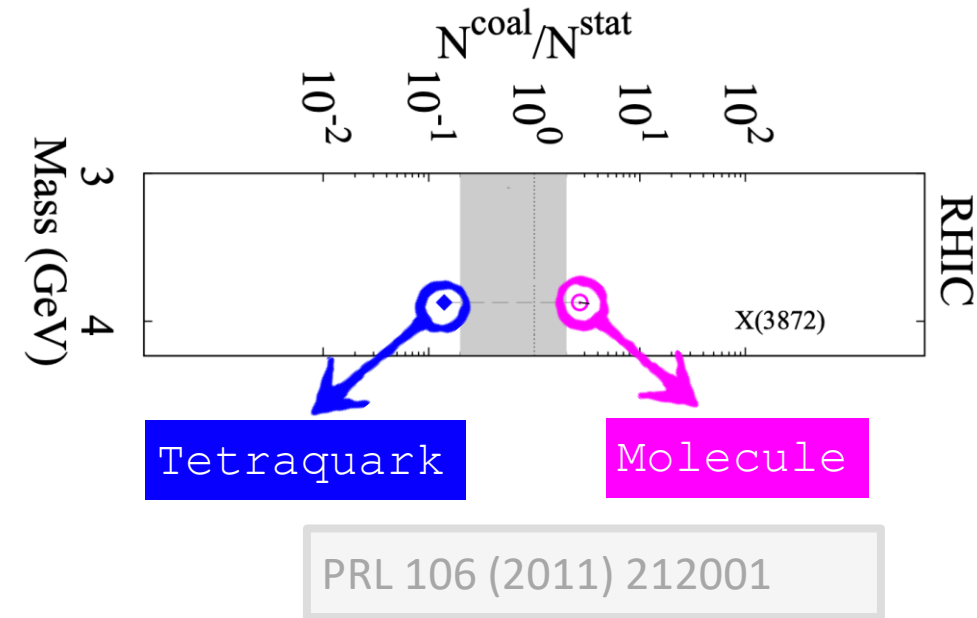


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# X(3872) Production in Theoretical Calculations

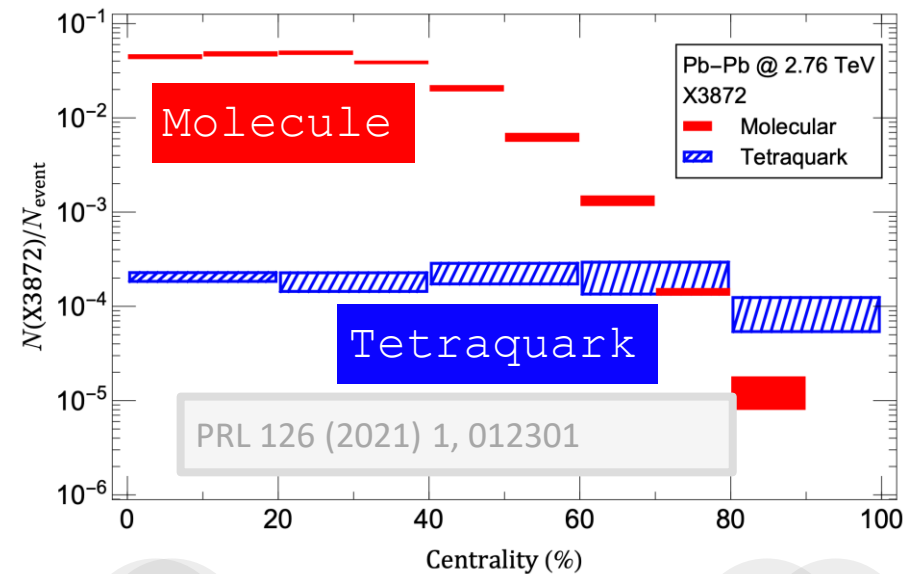
## Status of current X(3872) theoretical calculations in heavy-ion collisions

### Coalescence model



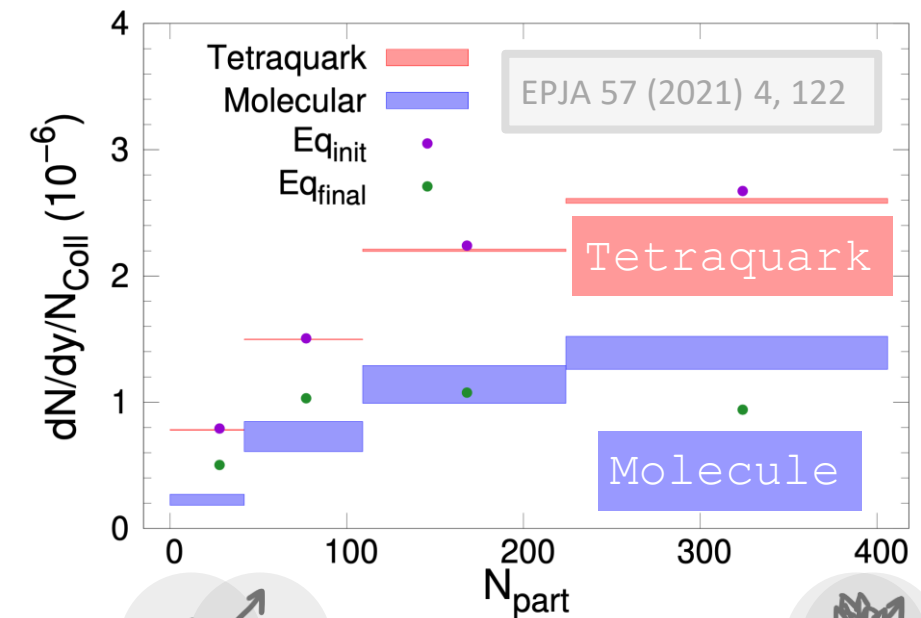
- ▶ Molecule easier to be produced w/ recombination of quarks in medium
- ▶  $N_{\text{Molecule}} > N_{\text{Tetraquark}}$

### AMPT transport model



- ▶ Molecule production per event decreases from central to peripheral
- ▶ Tetraquark no centrality dependence
- ▶  $N_{\text{Molecule}} > N_{\text{Tetraquark}}$

### TAMU transport model



- ▶ Molecule (more loosely bound) regenerated later in the evolution compared to tetraquark
- ▶  $N_{\text{Molecule}} < N_{\text{Tetraquark}}$

Compilation from Jing Wang (MIT)



# Unresolved Issues for X(3872)

- Hybrid
1. What is the role of multiplicity selection bias?
2. The accuracy of the current PbPb data and low  $p_T$  reach
3. Consistency between theoretical calculations:  
Relevance of coalescence hadronization, model dependence  
and absolute branching fractions
- Tetraquark (4q)
- $D^0 - \bar{D}^{*0}$  molecule
- Charmonium
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# Unresolved Issues for X(3872)

Hybrid

$D^0 - \bar{D}^{*0}$  molecule

## 1. What is the role of multiplicity selection bias?

- Change the source of comoving particles using ep, eA, pp, pA collisions

## 2. The accuracy of the current PbPb data

- Large dataset from Run 3 and Run 4 at the LHC; new detectors such as large acceptance CMS tracker in Run 4 and future ALICE 3.

## 3. Consistency between theoretical calculations:

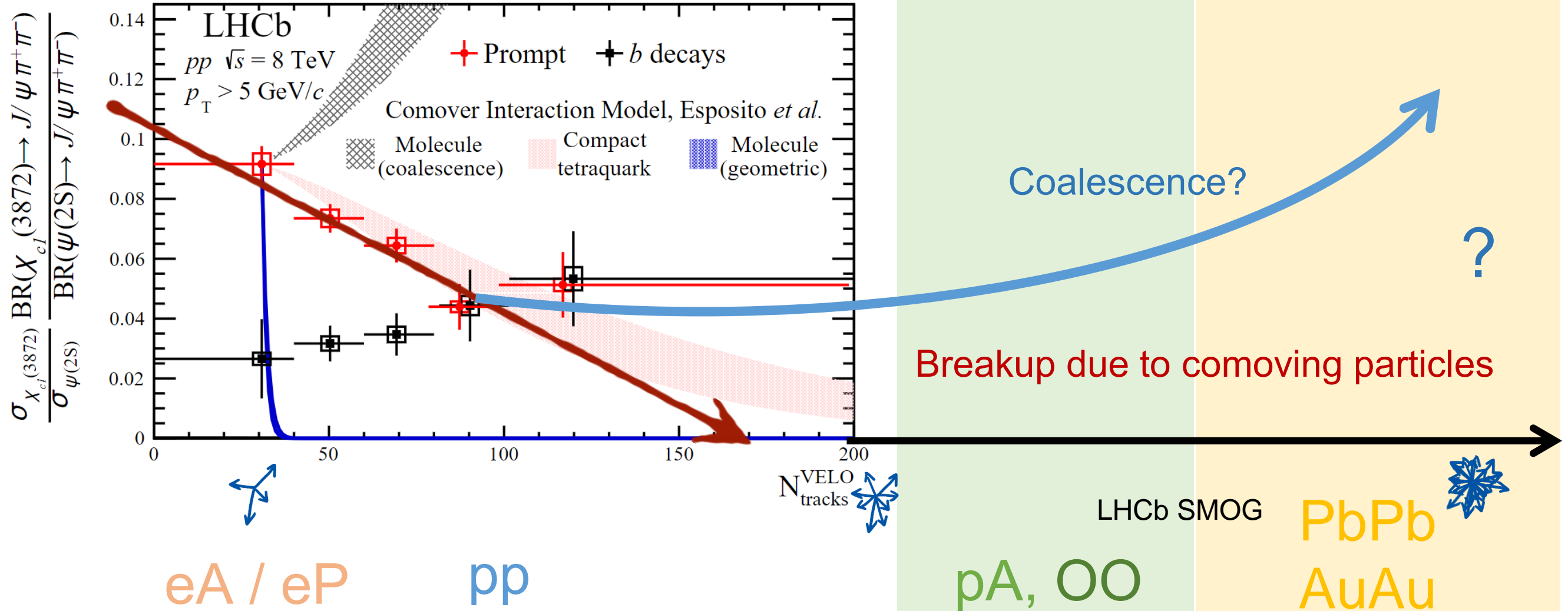
Relevance of coalescence hadronization, model dependence and absolute branching fractions

- Stress test with system size scan: from ep, eA, pp, pO, OO to PbPb
- Centrality dependence

# Studies of X(3872) in HI and future EIC

CMS PbPb

$$\rho^{\text{PbPb}} = 1.08 \pm 0.49 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.52 (\text{syst})$$



# Summary

- **Beauty Hadron:**

- Observation of mass dependence of parton energy loss
- Indication of modified beauty hadronization via  $B_s/B^+$  in PbPb
  - Similar to that was observed in  $D_s/D^0$
- Beauty hadron  $v_2$  in PbPb via HF leptons
- Interesting to follow up with fully reconstructed b mesons and baryons in Run 3+4

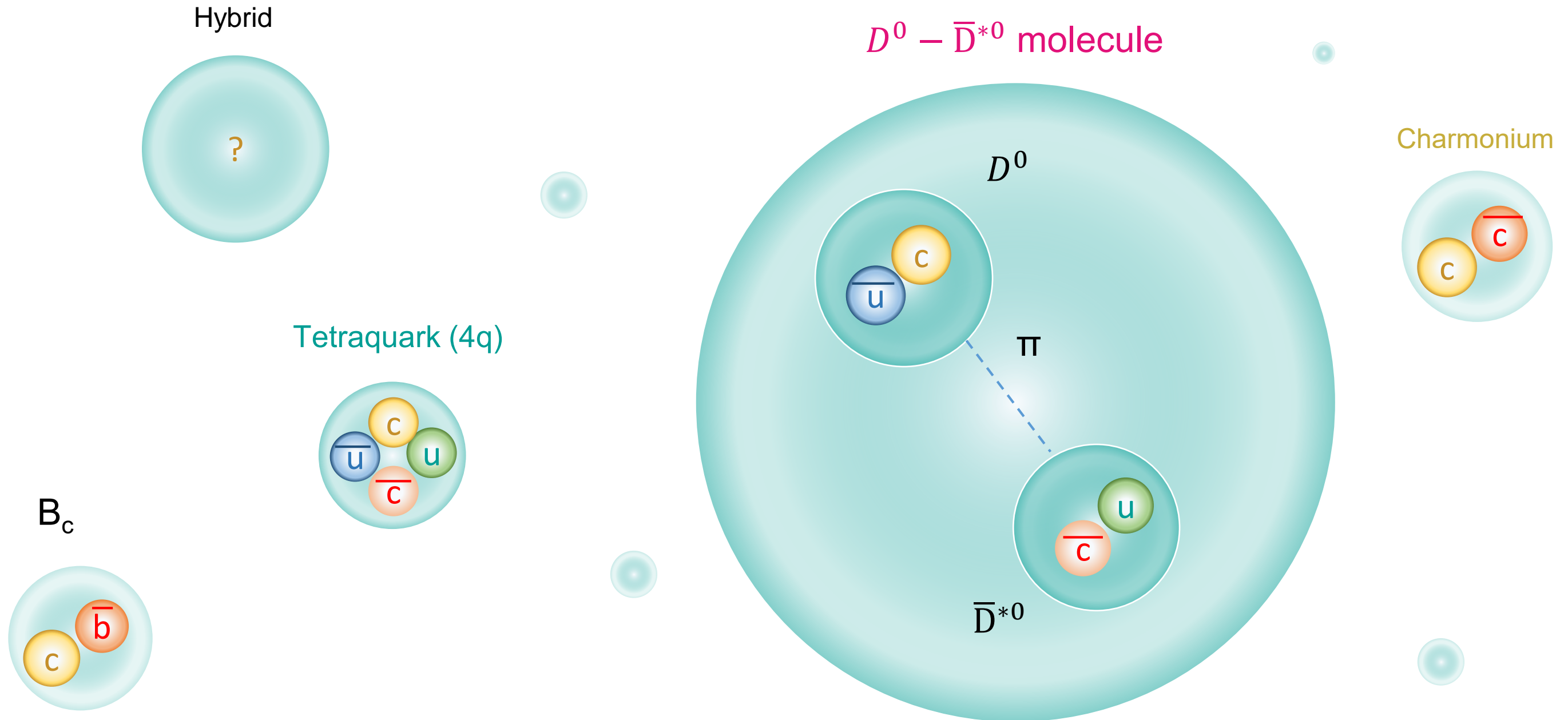
- **$B_c^+$  Meson:**

- First observation in PbPb, larger  $R_{AA}$  than  $B^+$  and quarkonia
- Intriguing new  $R_{AA}$  results, sensitive to recombination effect (of beauty and charm)

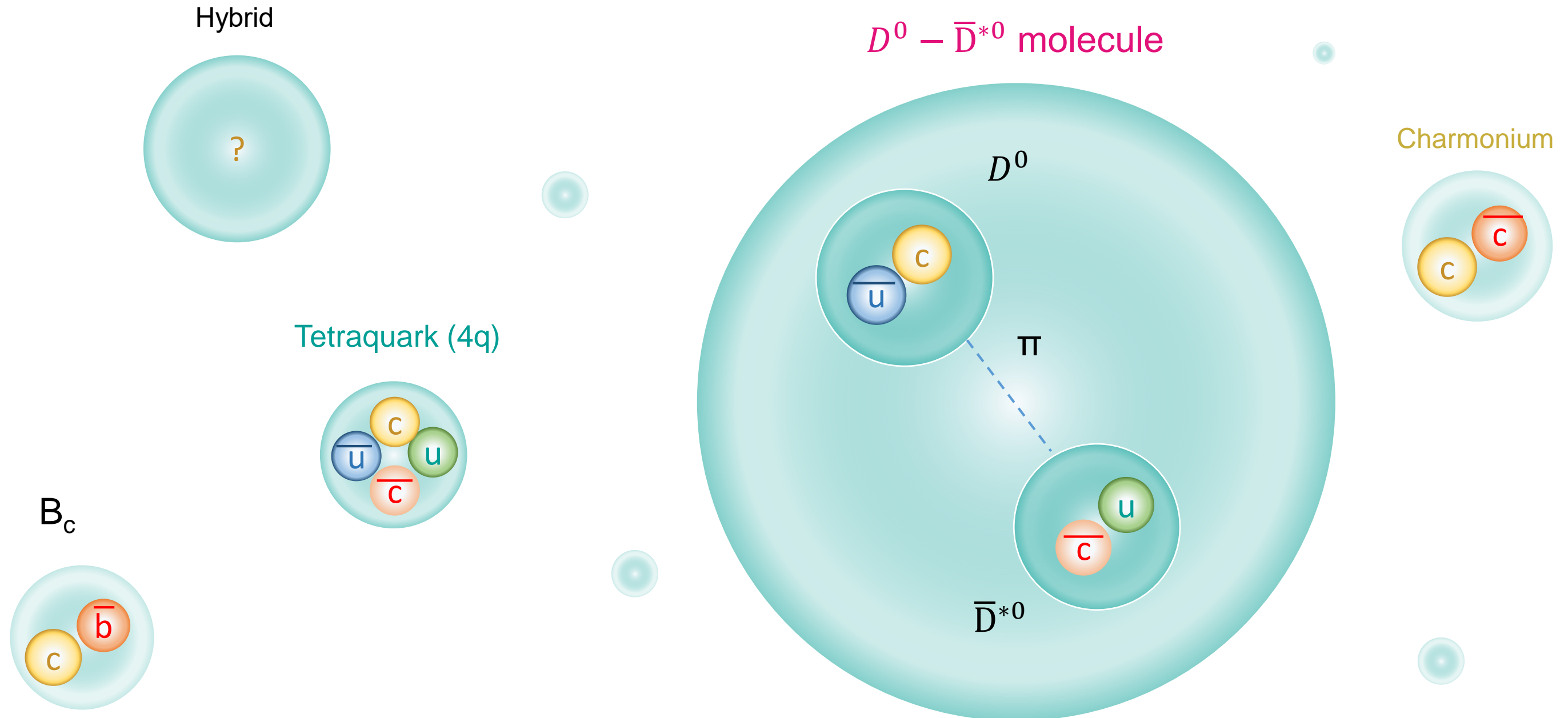
- **X(3872) Hadron:**

- First evidence of X(3872) production in PbPb, **X(3872)/ $\psi(2S)$**  decrease with multiplicity in pp
- Exciting new probe which is sensitive to comoving particles and recombination effects
- X(3872) internal structure: inconclusive due to the current experimental accuracy and model dependence
- Many interesting issues to be followed up with future large data in various collision systems

# Thank You!

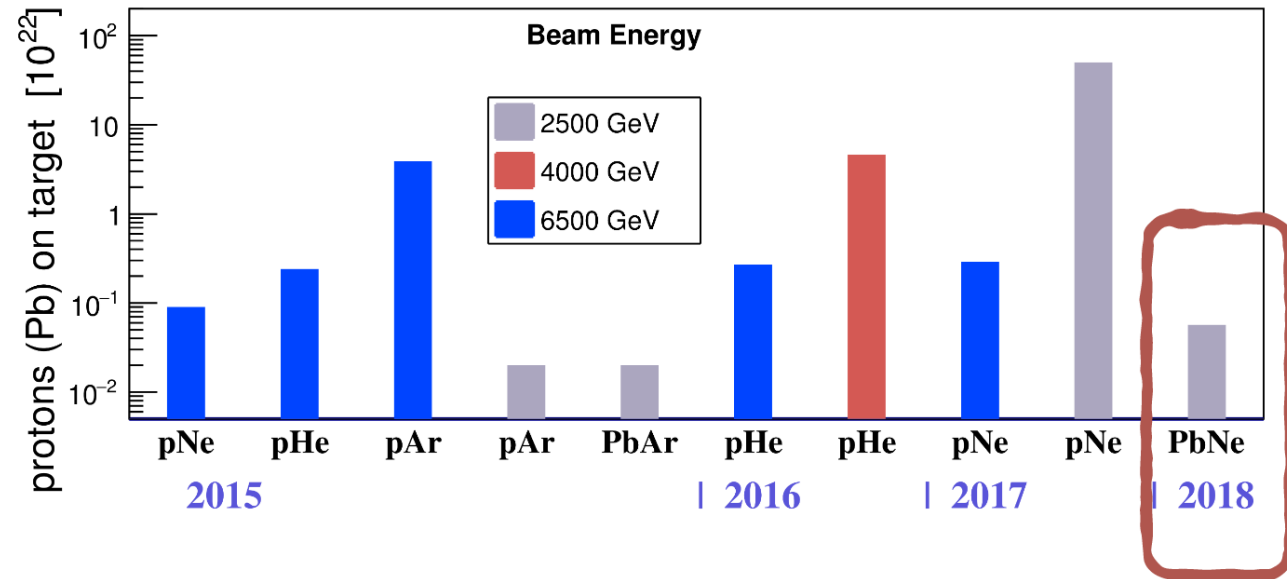


# Backup Slides

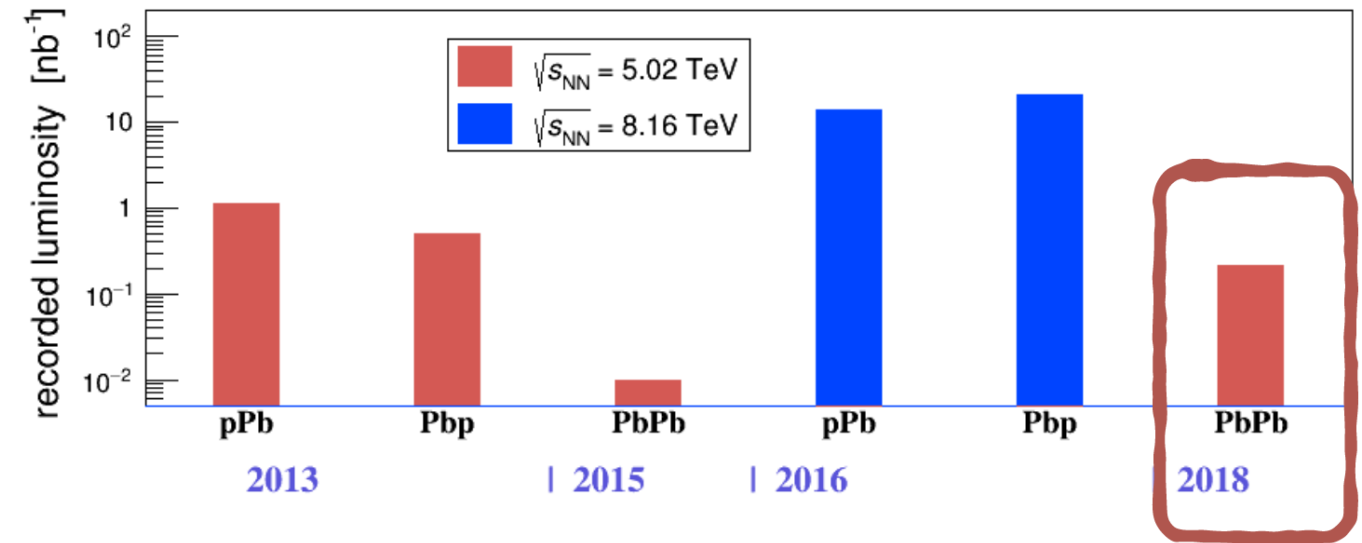


# LHCb HI samples

*Fixed-target mode samples*



*Collider mode samples*

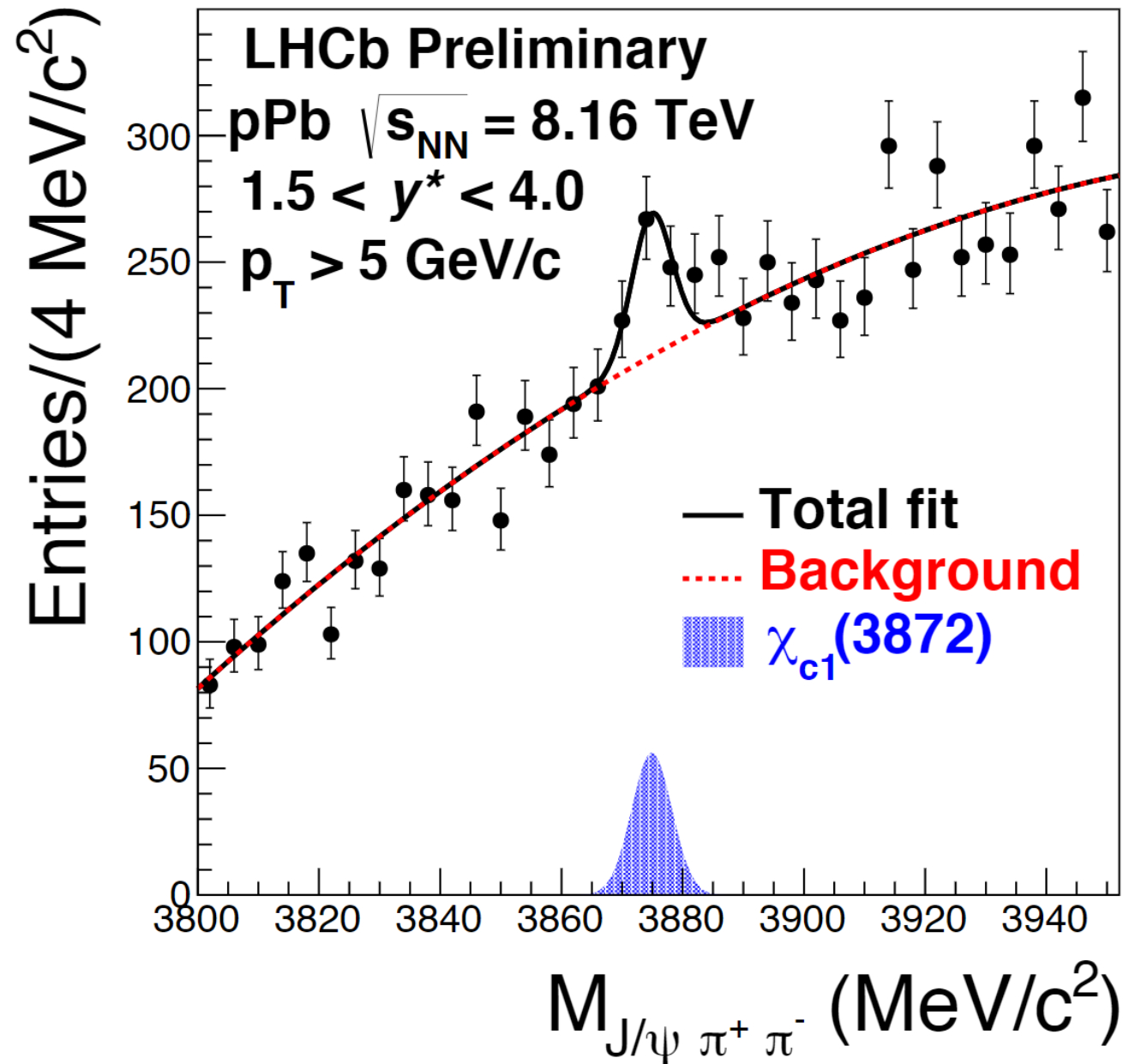


~ 20 times 2015 luminosity

- ❖ Large variety of samples to study !
- ❖ Two new samples : PbNe at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 68.6$  GeV and PbPb at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV

Benjamin Audurier (QM'19)

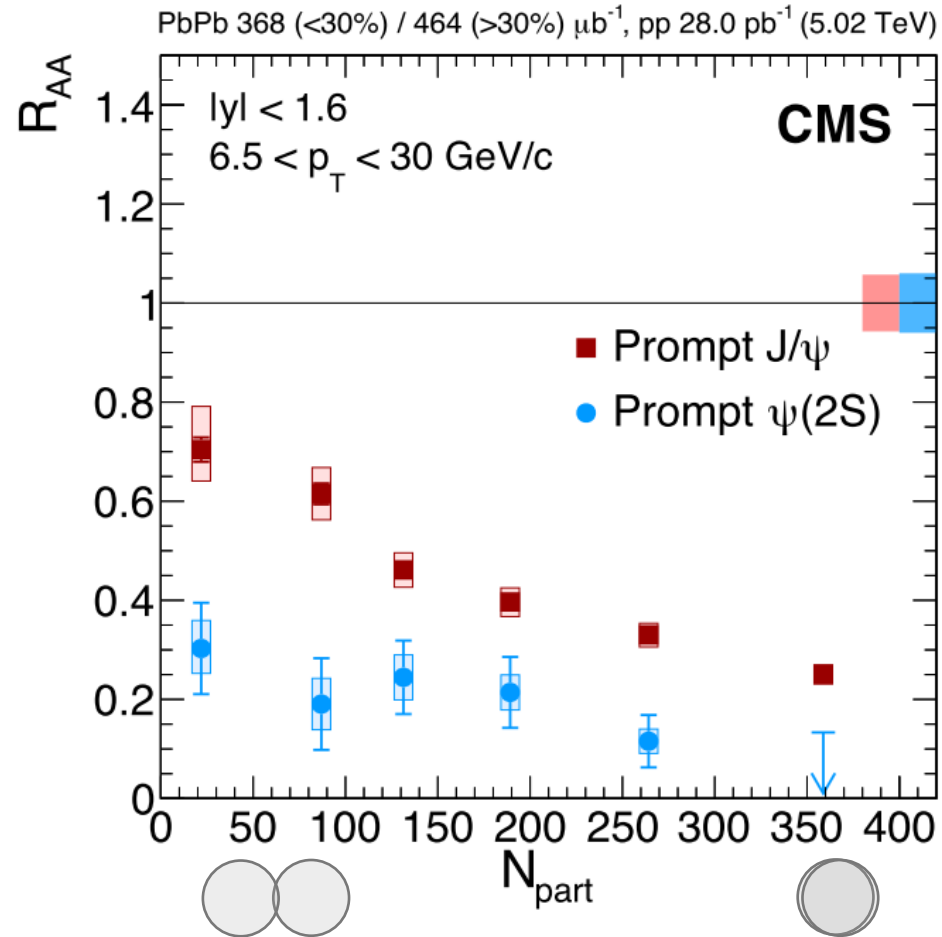
# X(3872) peak in LHCb pPb sample





# Charmonium $R_{AA}$ in PbPb and pp

## PbPb at 5 TeV

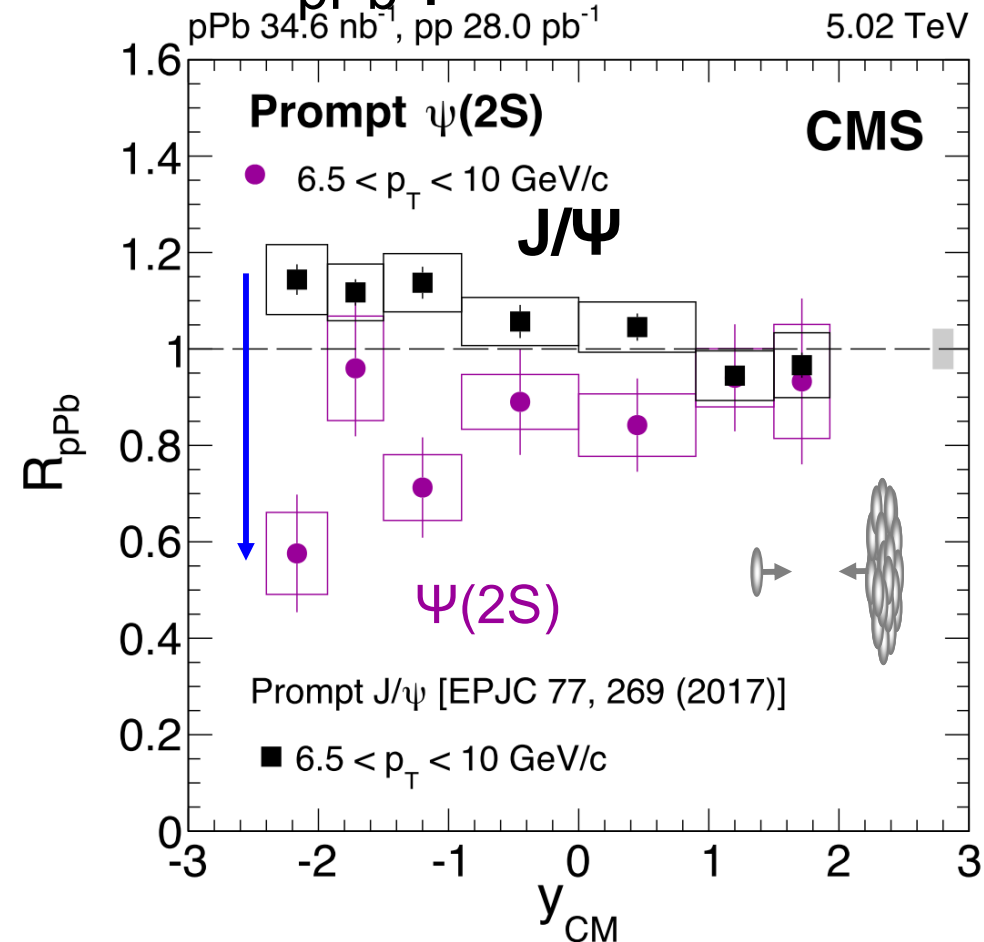


- Prompt  $\Psi(2S)$   $R_{AA} < J/\Psi$   $R_{AA}$  in PbPb at 5 TeV

PbPb EPJC 78 (2018) 509

pPb arXiv:1805.02248

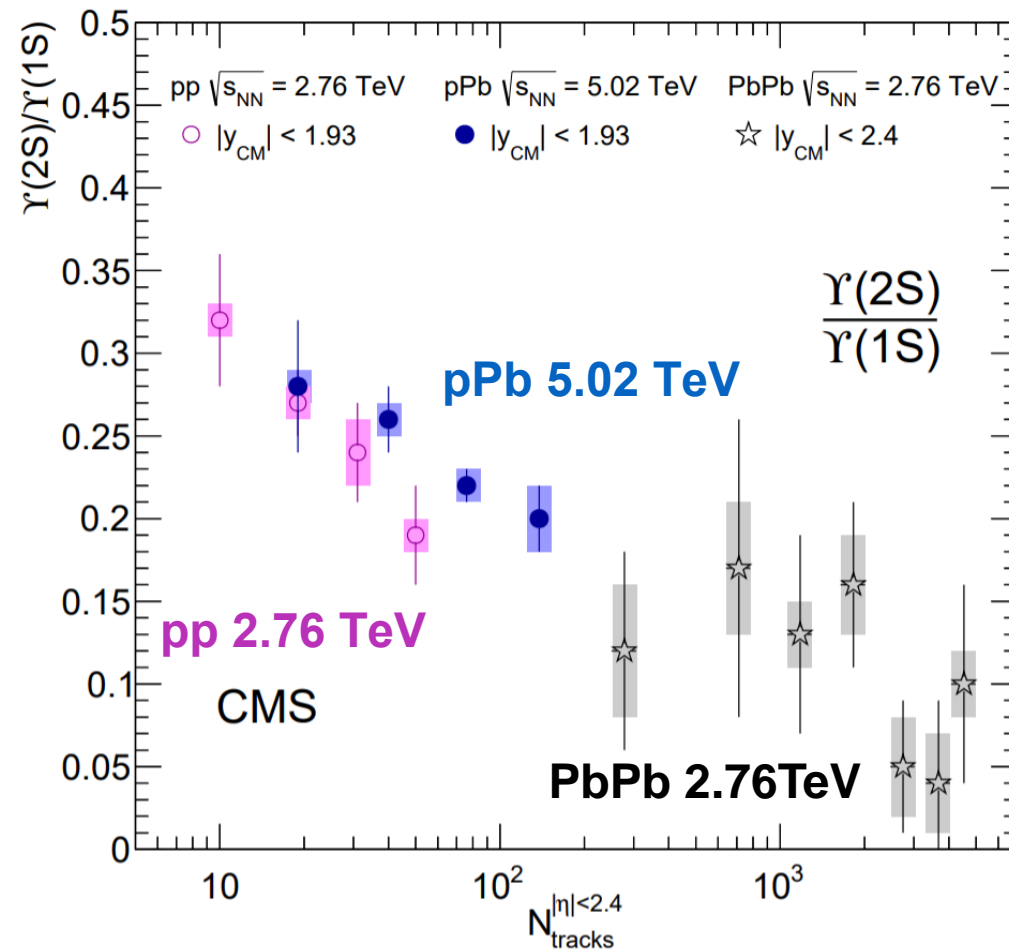
## $R_{pPb}$ pPb at 5 TeV



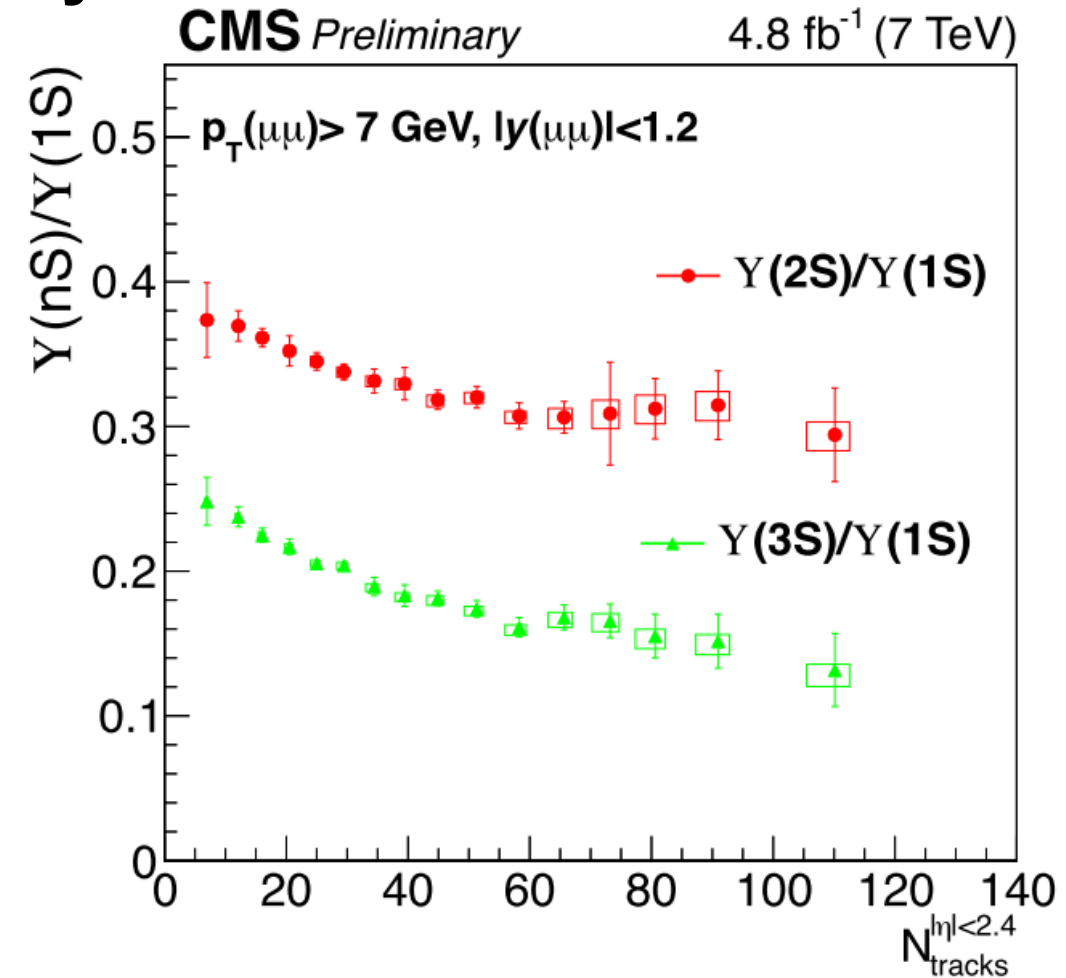
- $J/\Psi$  and  $\Psi(2S)$  difference increases as we move to backward (lead-going) direction (higher  $dN_{ch}/dy$ )
- Can not be explained by nPDF or coherent energy loss model
- Final state effects from comoving (local) medium?

# Upsilon suppression

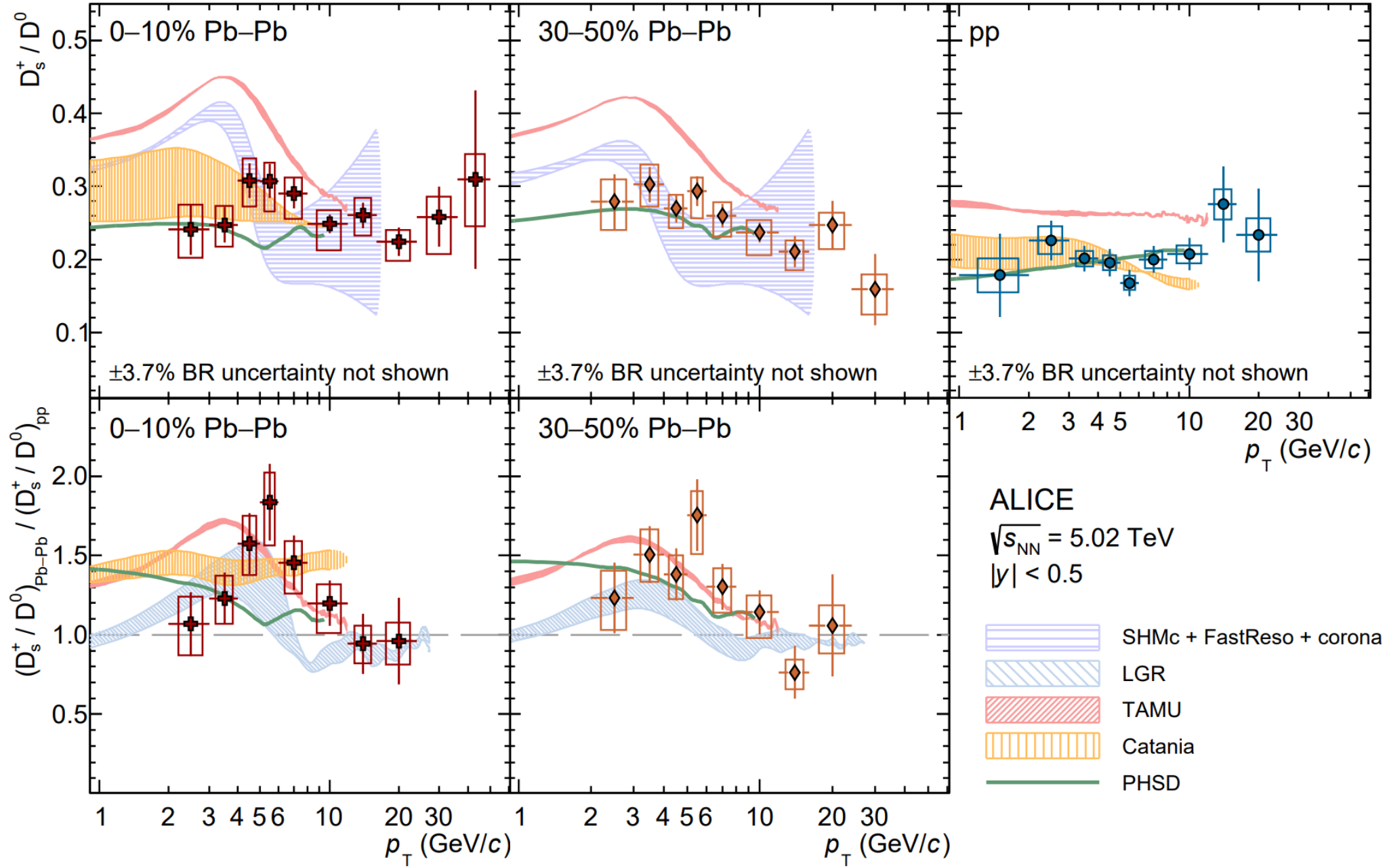
## Y(2S)/Y(1S) ratio vs. multiplicity



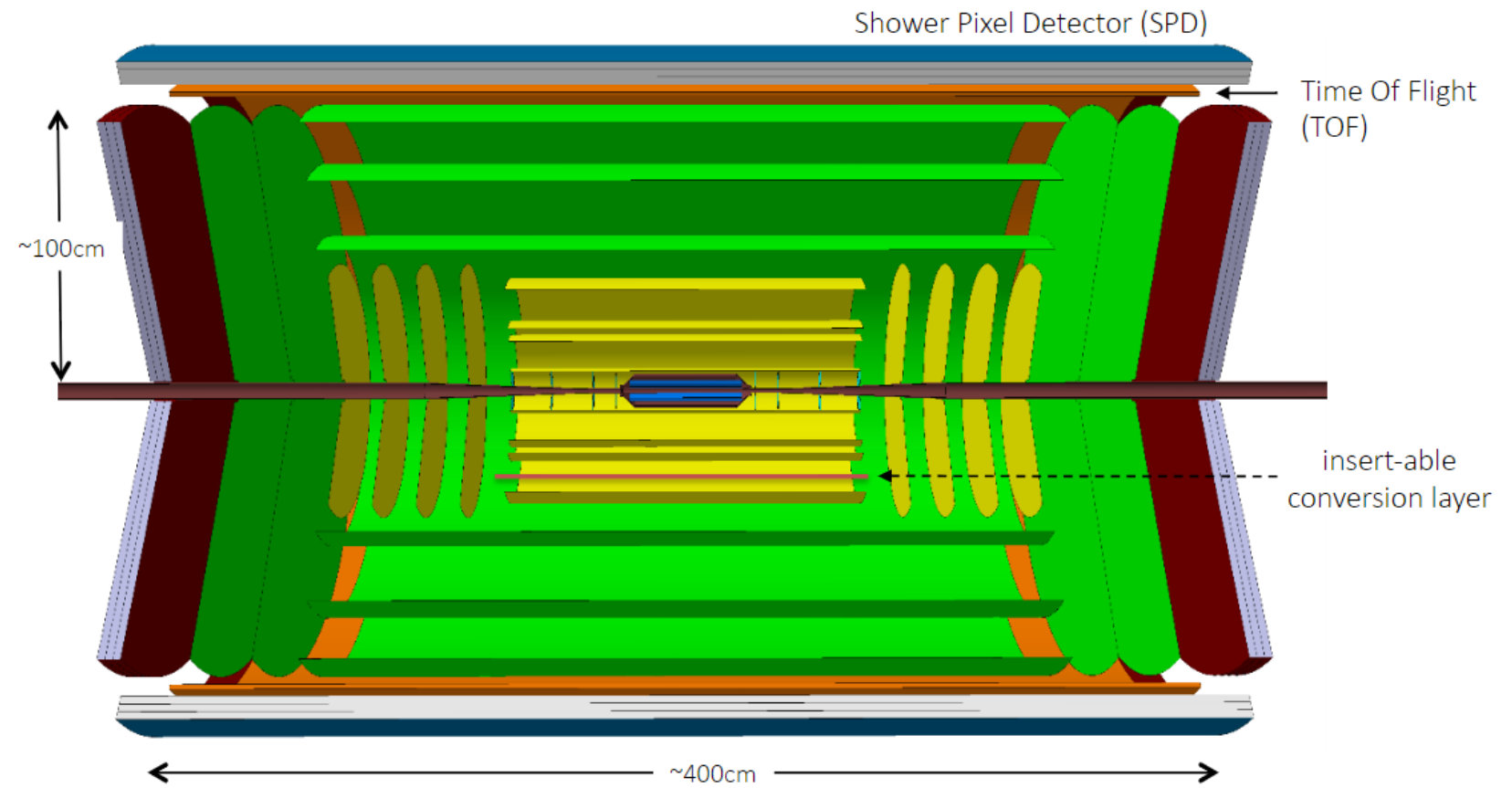
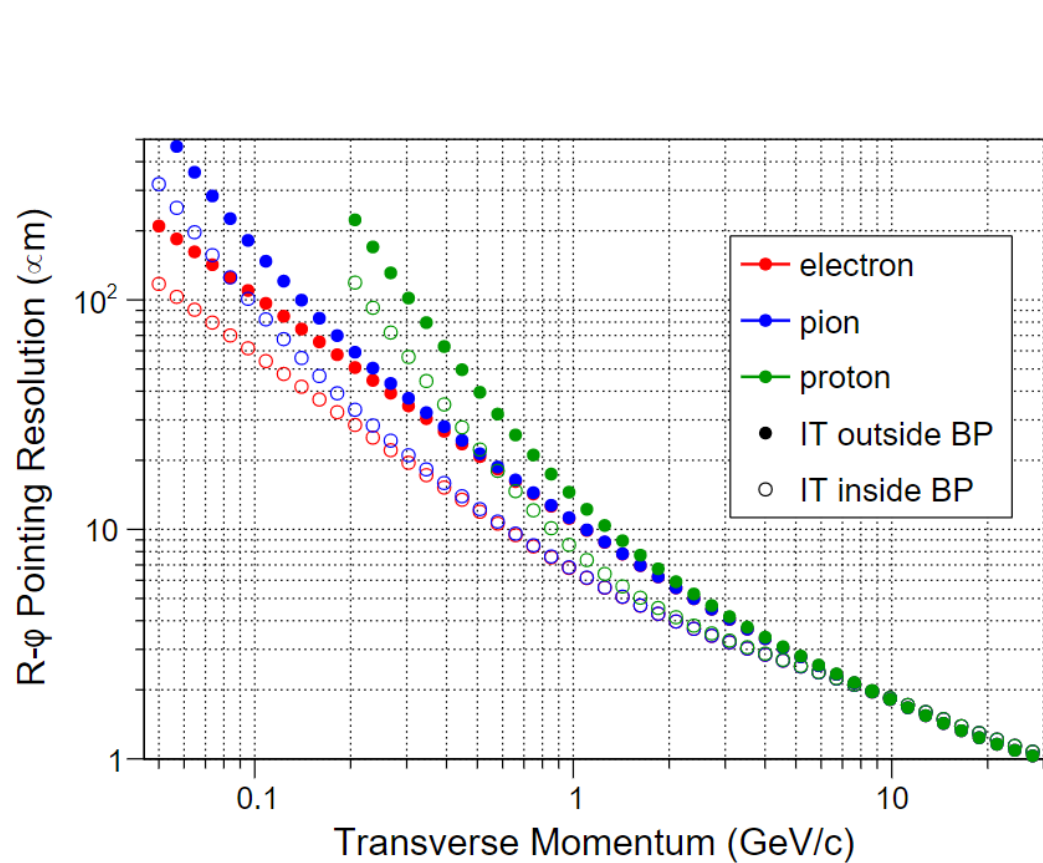
## pp at 7 TeV



- Origin of the sequential suppression in high multiplicity pp events?



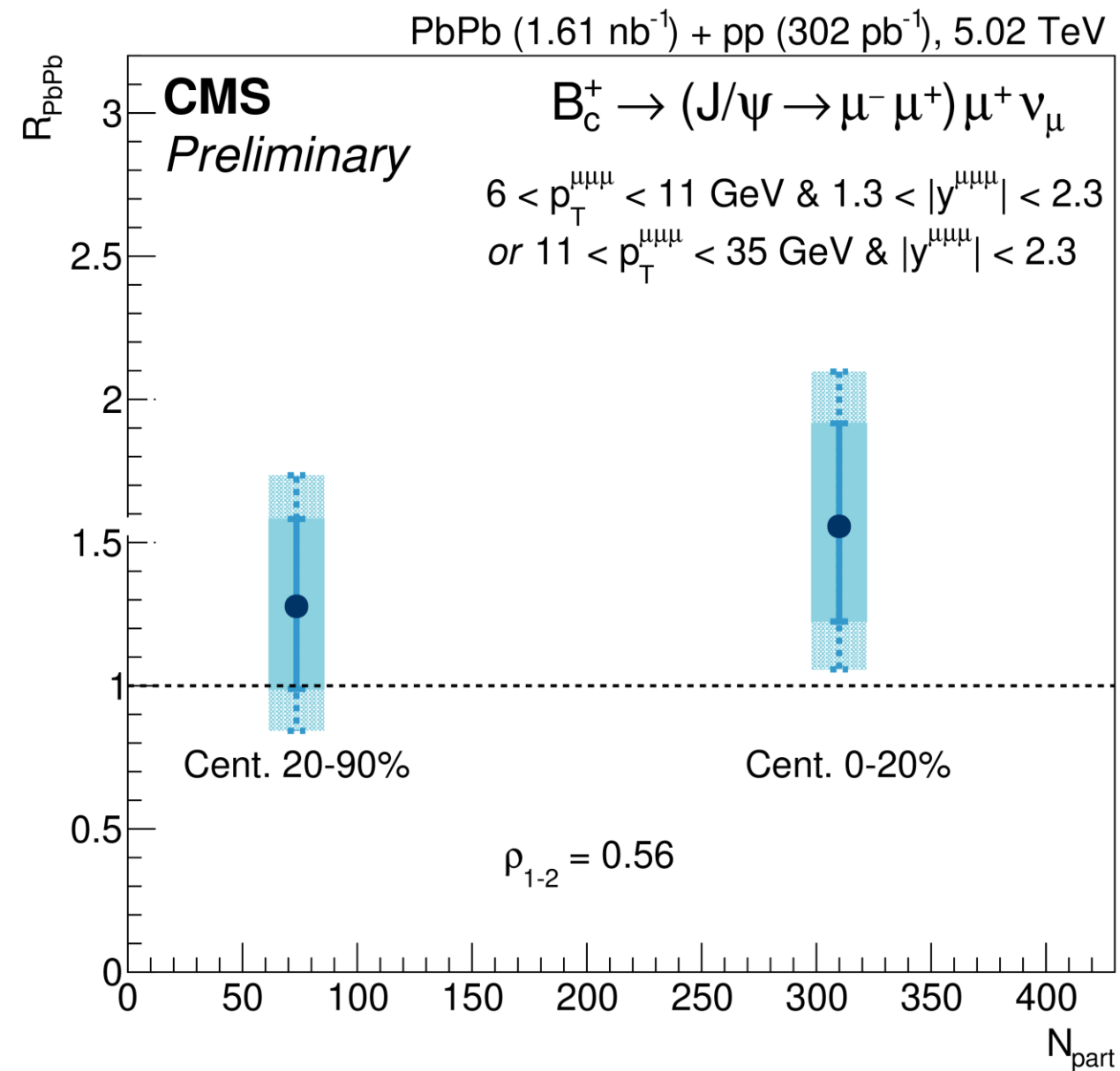
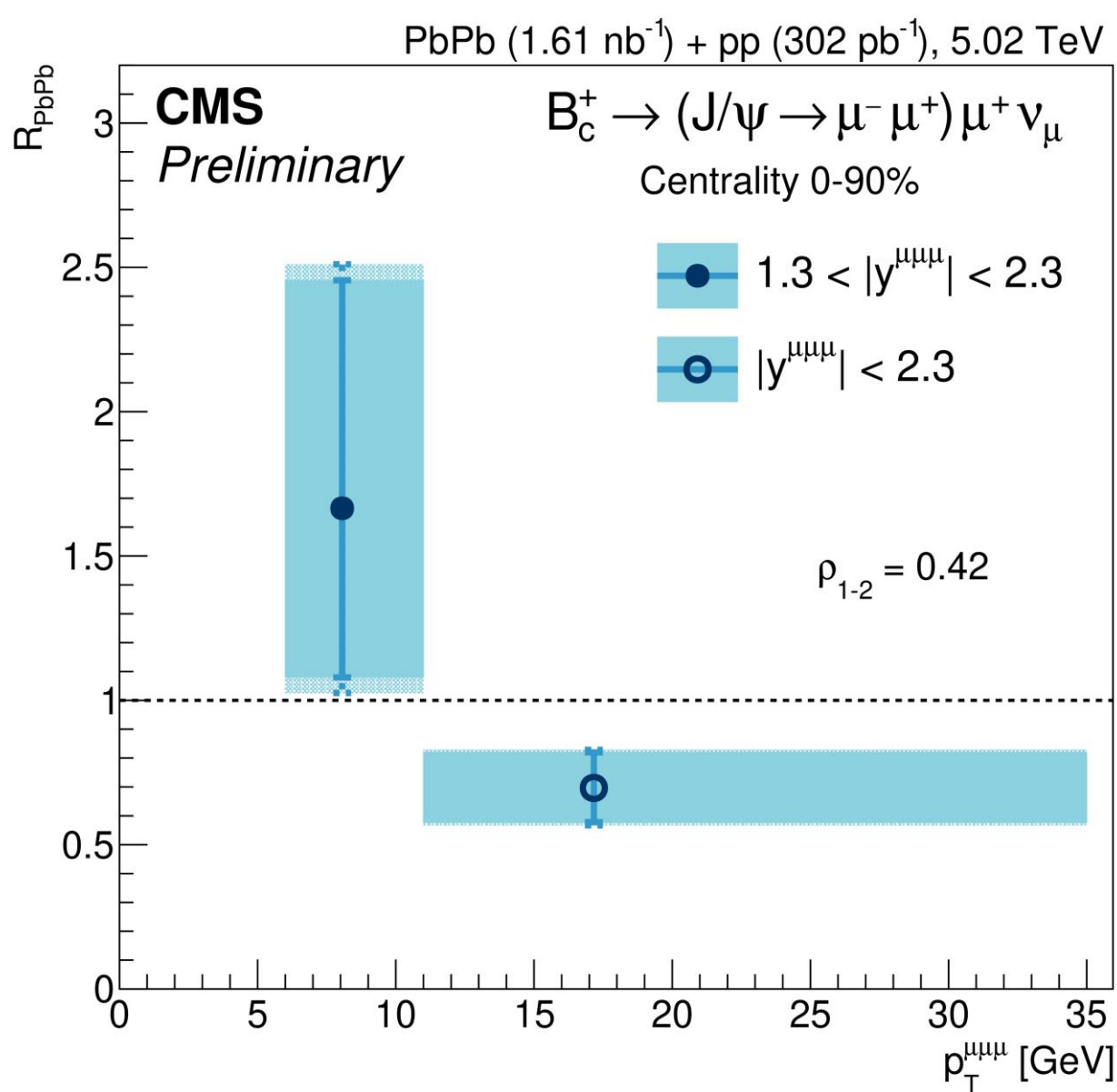
# A next-generation LHC heavy-ion experiment



- Proposed after Run 5, optimized for heavy flavor meson and baryon reconstruction; detection of very low  $p_T$  charged particles
- Wide pseudorapidity coverage (up to 4 units), most likely equipped with forward tracking stations
- Could shed new light on the nature and structure of the X, Y, Z
- X(3872) yield is expected to be particularly enhanced at low transverse momenta ( $p_T < 4$  GeV/c)

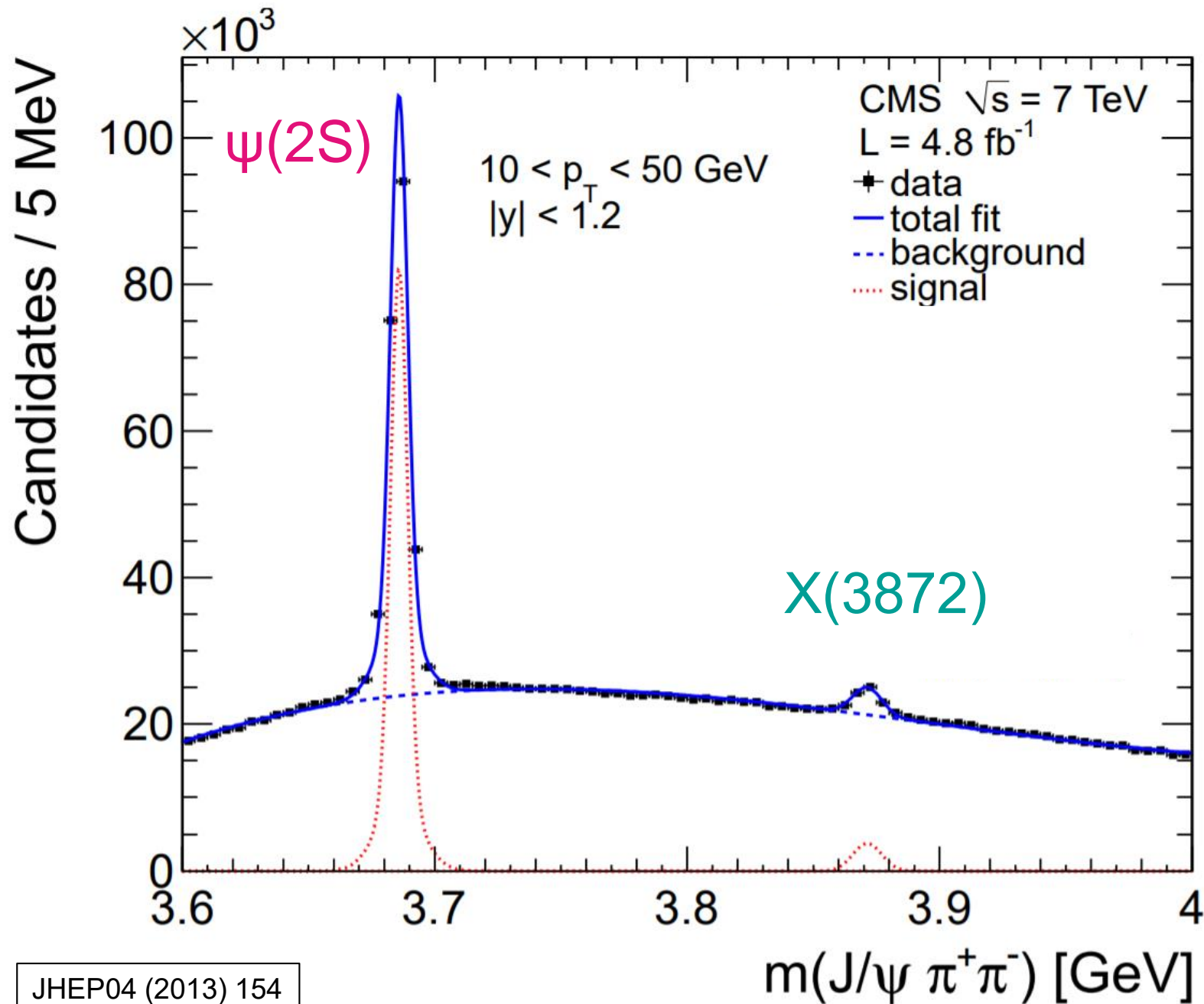
See this documentation for details ([Link](#))

# $B_c R_{AA}$ in PbPb at 5.02 TeV

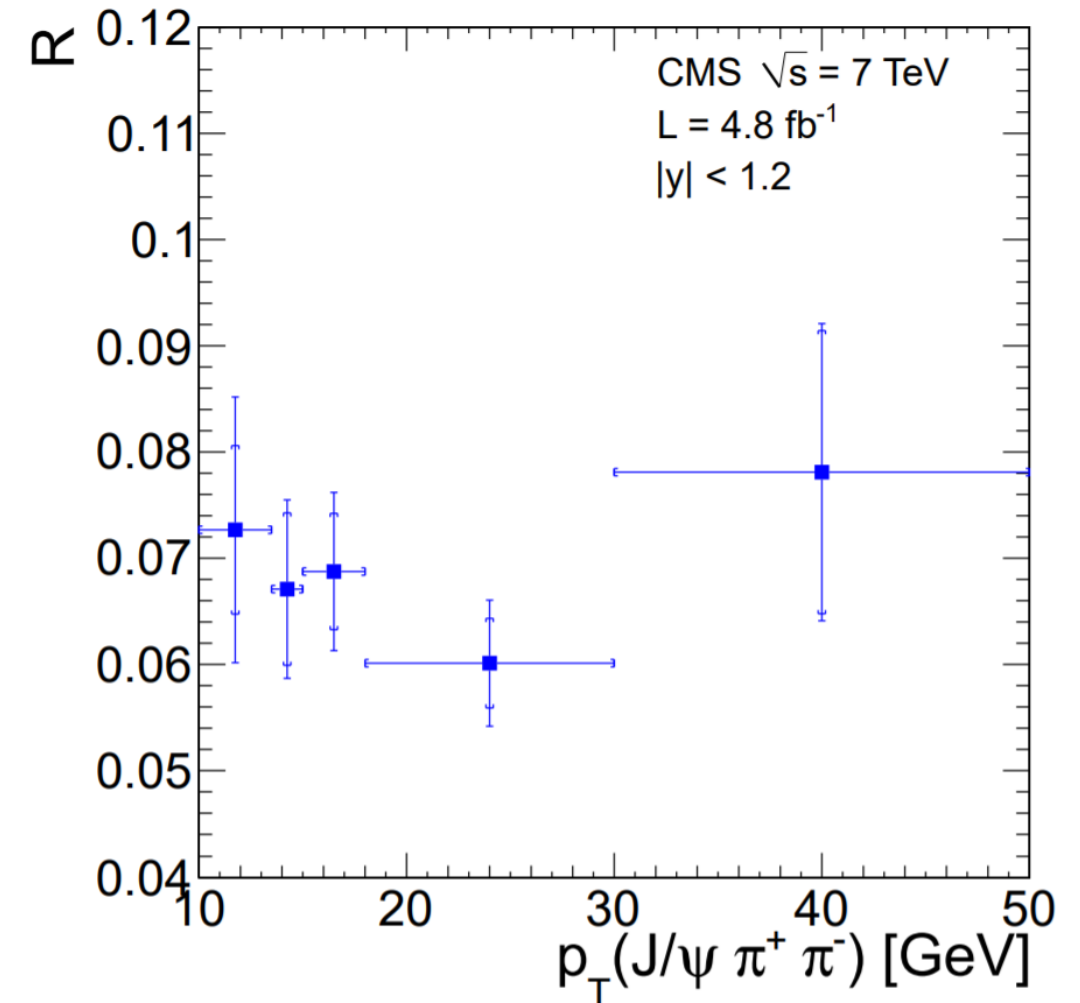




# Invariant Mass Spectra in pp Collisions at 7 TeV



Inclusive  $X(3872)$  to  $\psi(2S)$  production ratio (include both prompt and nonprompt)



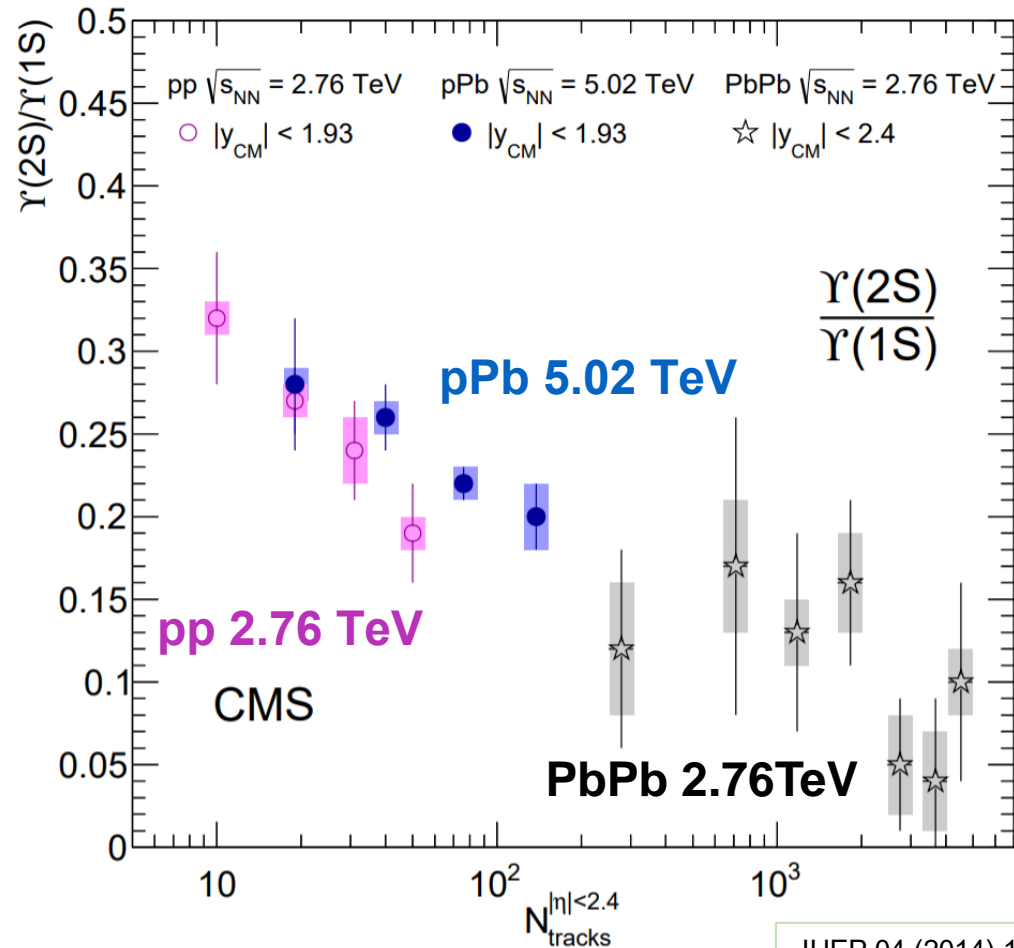
$$R = N_{X(3872)}^{(\text{Corr})} / N_{\psi(2S)}^{(\text{Corr})}$$

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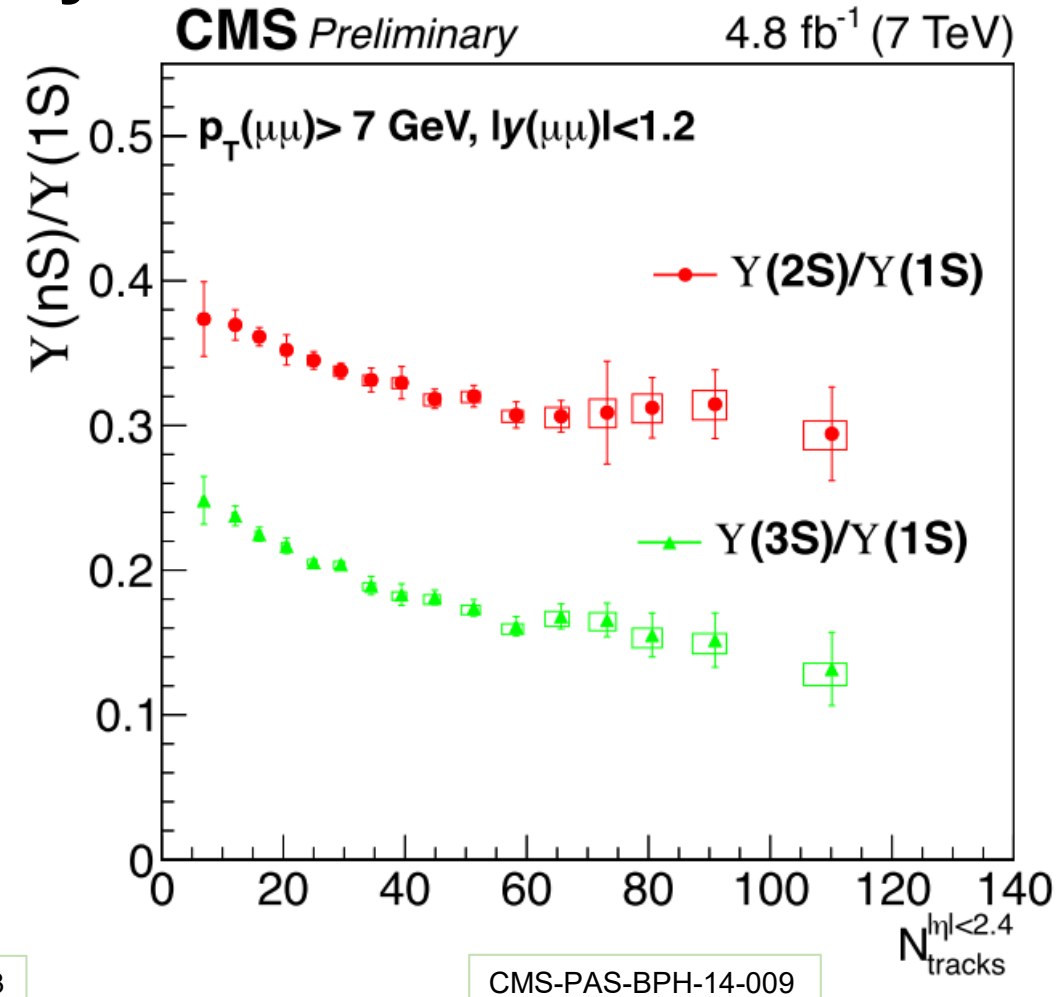


# Upsilon Suppression in High Multiplicity Events

## Y(2S)/Y(1S) ratio vs. multiplicity

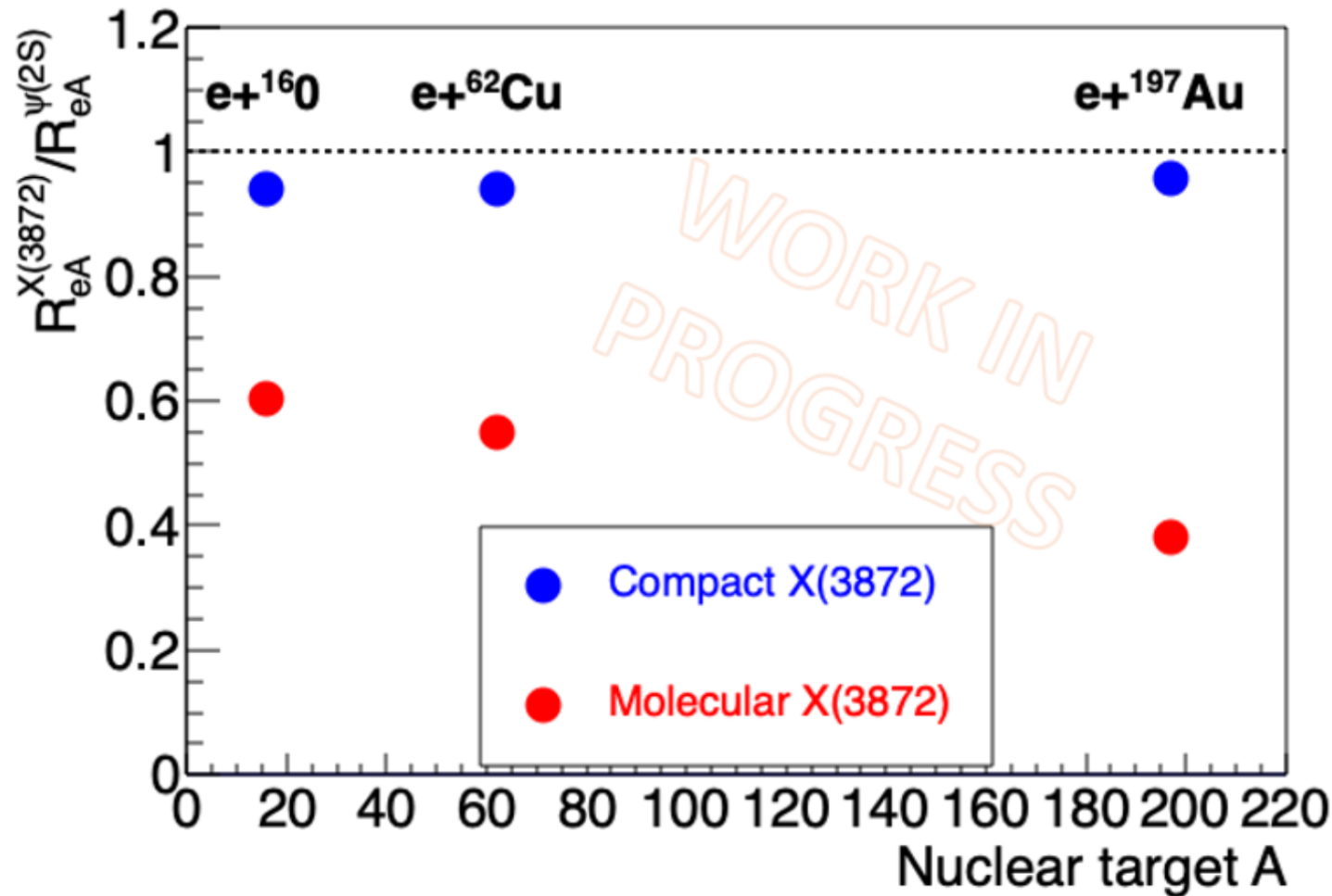


## pp at 7 TeV



- Origin of the sequential suppression in high multiplicity pp events?

# Relative Modification of X(3872) / $\psi(2S)$ at EIC



$$\frac{R_{eA}^{X(3872)}}{R_{eA}^{\psi(2S)}} = \frac{\sigma_{eA}^X}{\sigma_{eA}^\psi} / \frac{\sigma_{ep}^X}{\sigma_{ep}^\psi}$$

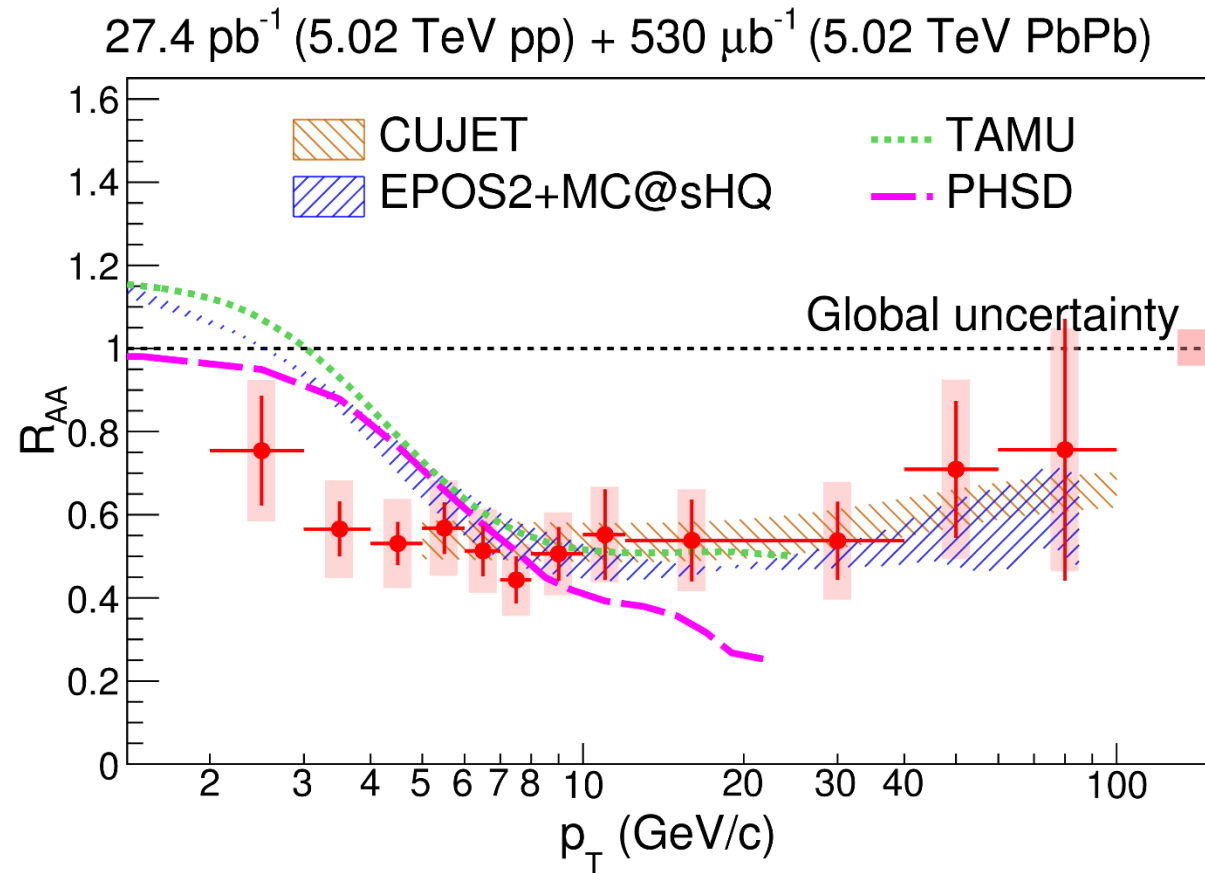
- Little difference in suppression between model of compact X(3872) and  $\psi(2S)$ , as expected.
- Large difference between model of molecular X(3872) and  $\psi(2S)$ .

Matt Durham (LANL)

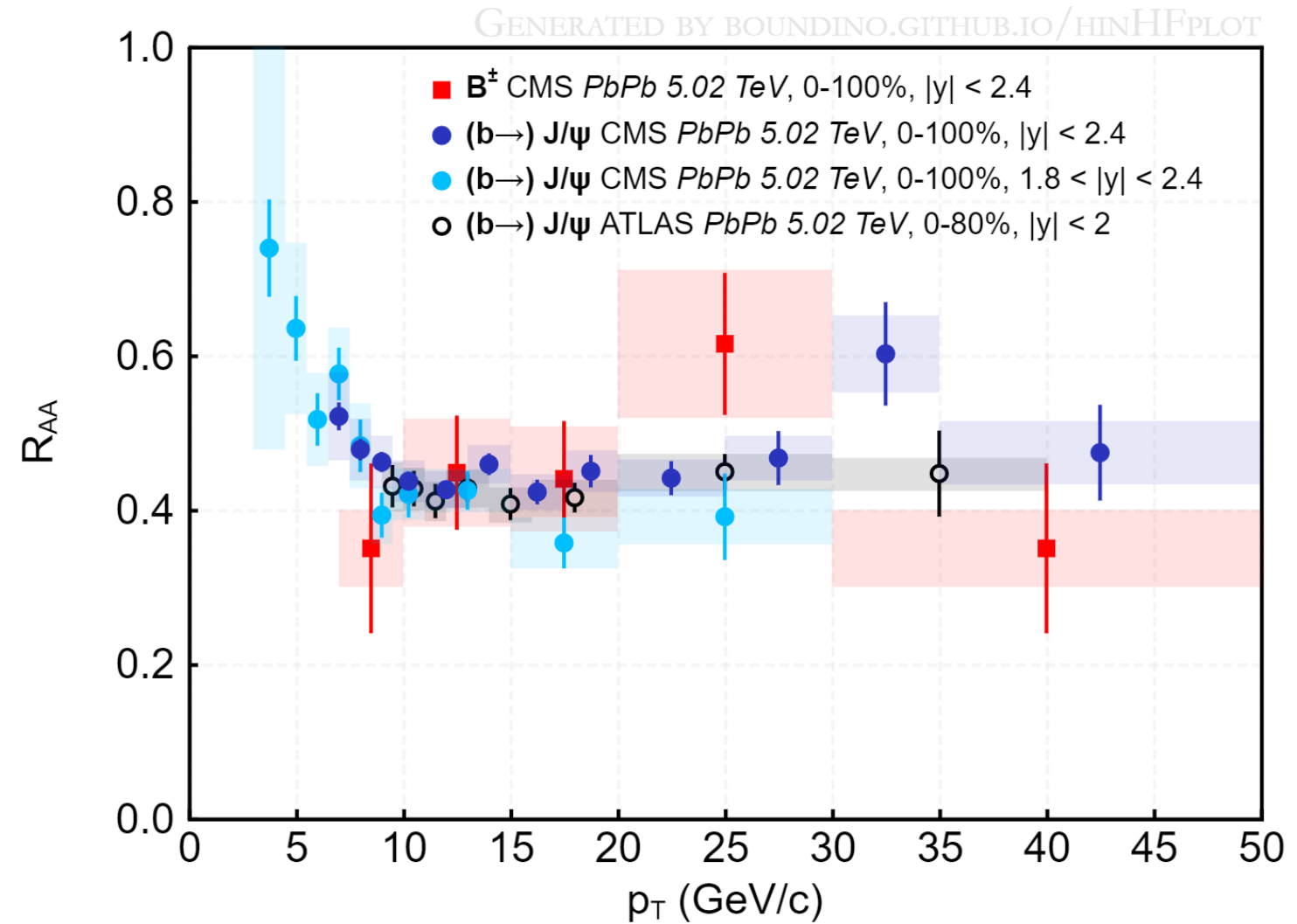
- The EIC has the potential to provide decisive discrimination between exotic structure models.
  - X(3872) is only an example, technique can be applied to other exotics as well.
    - This work is supported by LANL Lab Directed R&D

\* See Matt Durham's presentation in EF06/07 meeting ([Link](#))

# Non-prompt J/ψ $R_{AA}$



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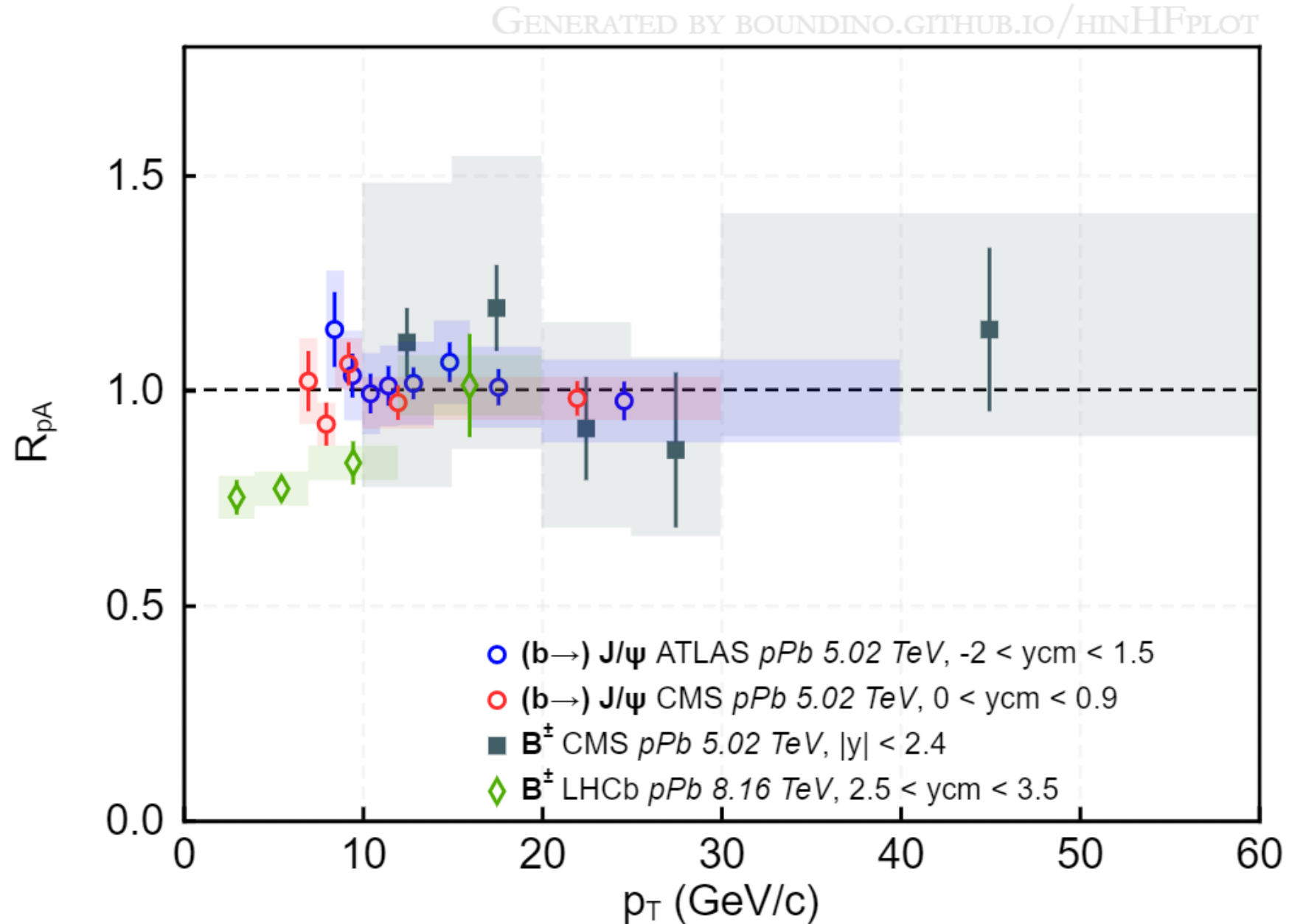
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# Beauty $R_{pPb}$ at the LHC



# $B_c$ Signal in Tri-muon Mass Spectra

- Fit uncertainty 20%

centrality 0 – 20% ( $p_T$ -integrated)

