

# charmonium production, statistical hadronization, and LHC data

- some historical remarks
- the statistical hadronization model
- comparison to results from RHIC
- the first LHC data

pbm, Berkeley school  
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# Charmonium as a probe for the properties of the QGP



the Matsui/Satz  
paper has created  
an industry

the original idea: (Matsui and Satz 1986) implant charmonia into the QGP and observe their modification, in terms of suppressed production in nucleus-nucleus collisions with or without plasma formation – sequential melting

new insight (pbm, Stachel 2000) QGP screens all charmonia, but charmonium production takes place at the phase boundary, enhanced production at colliders – signal for deconfined, thermalized charm quarks

recent reviews: L. Kluberg and H. Satz, arXiv:0901.3831

pbm and J. Stachel, arXiv:0901.2500

both published in Landoldt-Boernstein Review, R. Stock, editor, Springer 2010

work reported here  
done in coll. with  
Anton Andronic  
Krzysztof Redlich  
Johanna Stachel

# Are charmonia (and charmed hadrons) produced thermally?

ratios of charmed and beauty hadrons exhibit thermal features (Becattini 1997)

but:  $(J/\psi)/\psi'$  ratio is far from thermal in  $e+e-$  and  $pp$  collisions  
see also Sorge&Shuryak, Phys. Rev. Lett. 79 (1997) 2775, where it is further noted that the  $(J/\psi)/\psi'$  ratio reaches a thermal value ( $T=170$  MeV) in central PbPb collisions at SPS energy

further analysis by Gorenstein and Gazdzicki, Phys. Rev. Lett. 83 (1999) 4003

result:  $(J/\psi)/\pi$  is approximately constant at SPS energy for PbPb

However, thermal production of charm quarks is appreciable only at very high temperatures (LHC)  
( $T > 800$  MeV, pbm&Redlich, Eur. Phys. J. C16 (2000) 519).

solution: charm quarks produced in hard collisions, then statistical hadronization at the phase boundary.

# time scales

for the original Matsui/Satz picture to hold, the following time sequence is needed:

- 1) charmonium formation
- 2) quark-gluon plasma (QGP) formation
- 3) melting of charmonium in the QGP
- 4) decay of remaining charmonia and detection

questions:

- a) beam energy dependence of time scales
- b) what happens with the (many) charm quarks at hadronization, i.e at the phase boundary?

## More timescales

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formation and destruction of  $J/\psi$  (charmed hadrons)

- QGP formation time,  $t_{QGP}$ 
  - FAIR, SPS:  $t_{QGP} \simeq 1 \text{ fm}/c \sim t_{J/\psi}$
  - RHIC, LHC:  $t_{QGP} \lesssim 0.1 \text{ fm}/c \sim t_{c\bar{c}}$

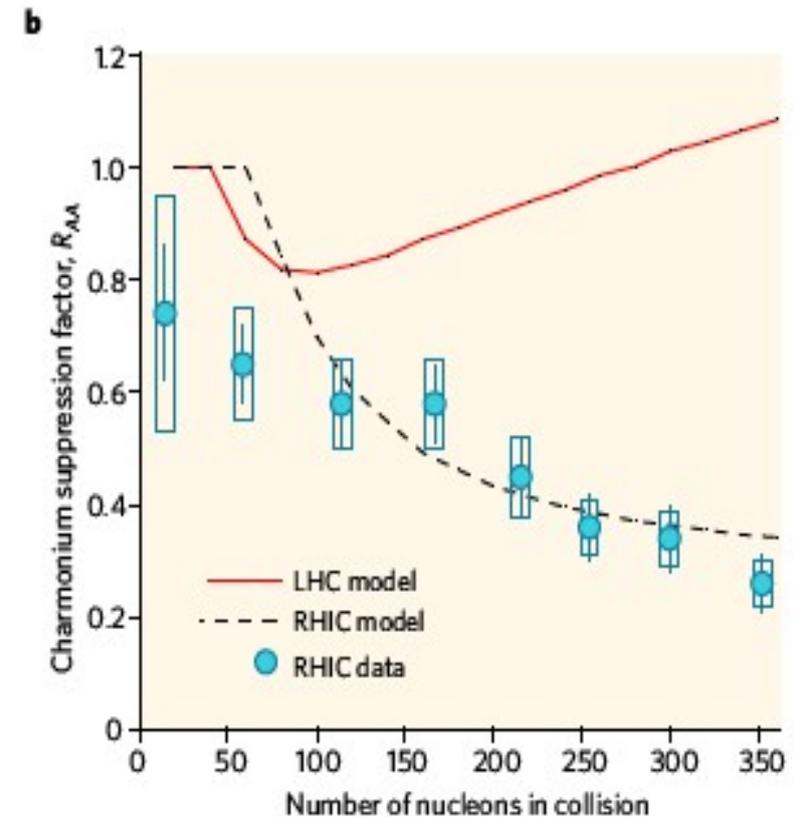
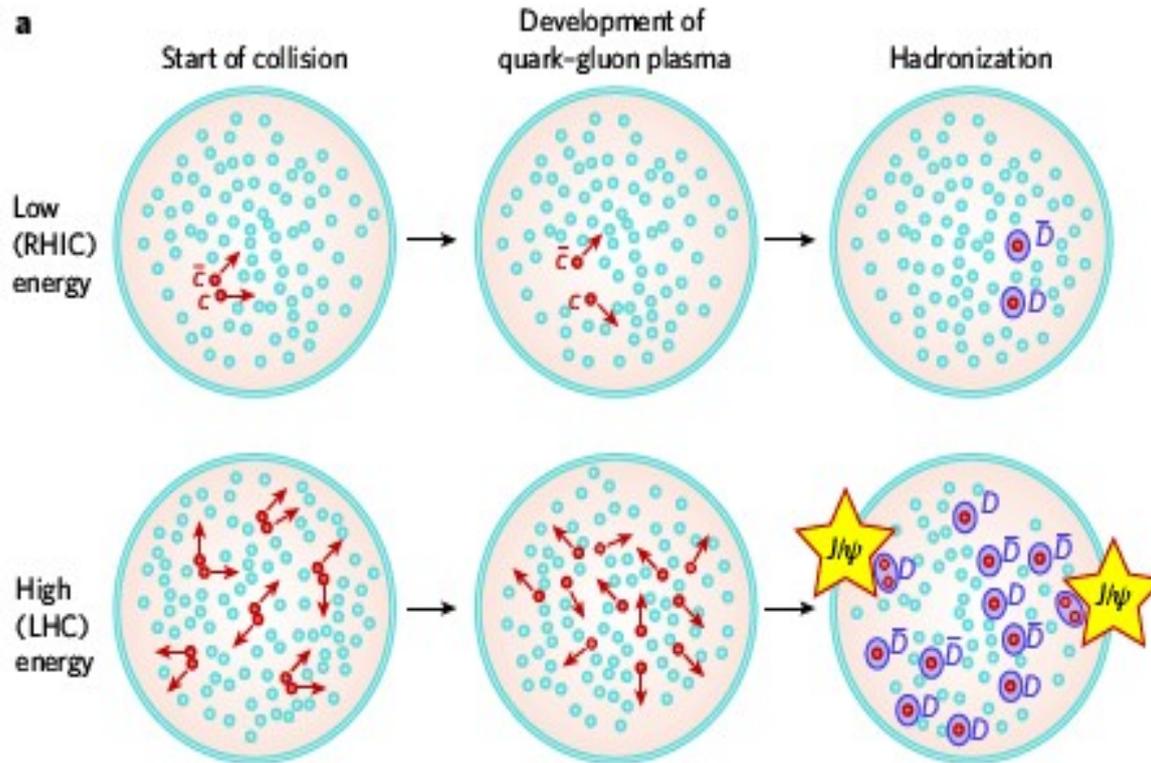
survival of initially-produced  $J/\psi$  at FAIR/SPS energies? ( $T_d \sim T_c$ )

- collision time,  $t_{coll} = 2R/\gamma_{cm}$ 
  - FAIR, SPS:  $t_{coll} \gtrsim t_{J/\psi}$
  - RHIC:  $t_{coll} < t_{J/\psi}$ , LHC:  $t_{coll} \ll t_{J/\psi}$

cold nuclear suppression important at FAIR/SPS energies?

# quarkonium as a probe for deconfinement at the LHC

## the statistical (re-)generation picture



charmonium enhancement as fingerprint of deconfinement at LHC energy

pbm, Stachel, Phys. Lett B490 (2000) 196

Andronic, pbm, Redlich, Stachel, Phys. Lett. B652 (2007) 659

# Statistical hadronization in one page

Thermal model calculation (grand canonical)  $T, \mu_B: \rightarrow n_X^{th}$

$$N_{c\bar{c}}^{dir} = \frac{1}{2} g_c V (\sum_i n_{D_i}^{th} + n_{\Lambda_i}^{th}) + g_c^2 V (\sum_i n_{\psi_i}^{th} + n_{\chi_i}^{th})$$

$N_{c\bar{c}} \ll 1 \rightarrow$  **Canonical:** J.Cleymans, K.Redlich, E.Suhonen, Z. Phys. C51 (1991) 137

charm balance  
equation

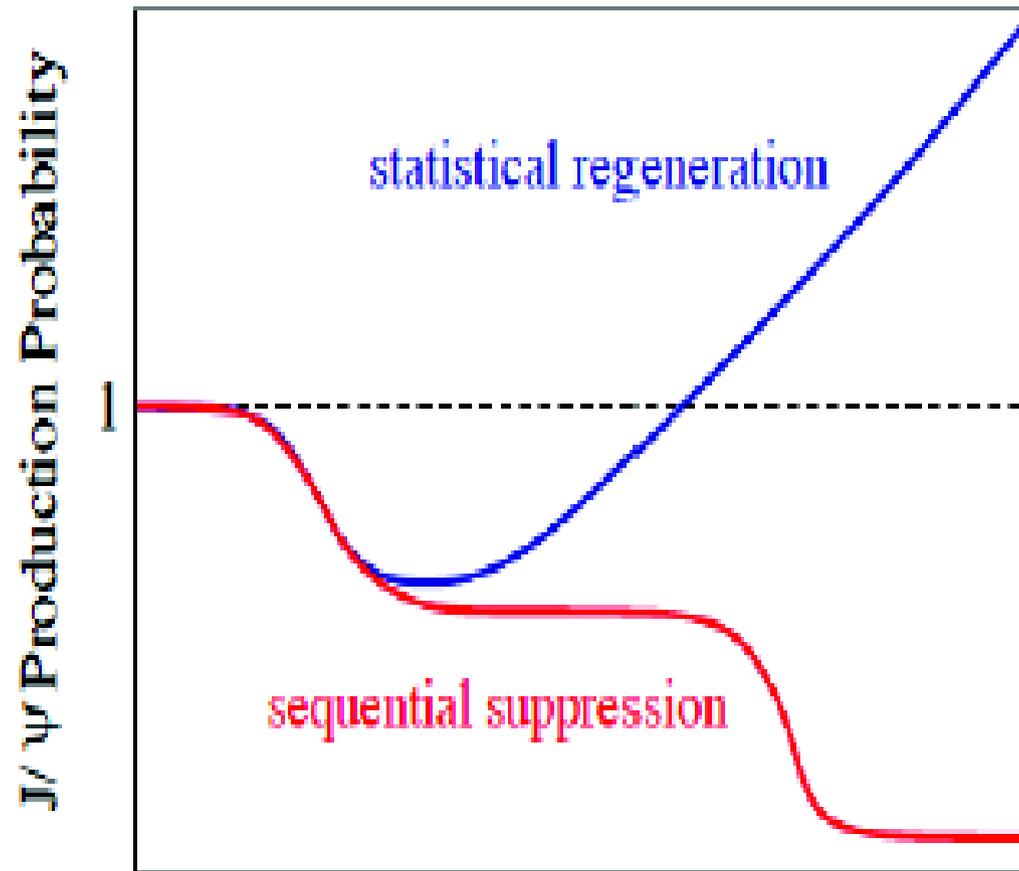
$$\rightarrow N_{c\bar{c}}^{dir} = \frac{1}{2} g_c N_{oc}^{th} \frac{I_1(g_c N_{oc}^{th})}{I_0(g_c N_{oc}^{th})} + g_c^2 N_{c\bar{c}}^{th} \rightarrow g_c$$

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Outcome:  $N_D = g_c V n_D^{th} I_1/I_0$      $N_{J/\psi} = g_c^2 V n_{J/\psi}^{th}$

Inputs:  $T, \mu_B, V = N_{ch}^{exp}/n_{ch}^{th}, N_{c\bar{c}}^{dir}$  (pQCD)

# Decision on regeneration vs sequential suppression from LHC data



Picture:  
H. Satz 2009

Energy Density  
SPS      RHIC      LHC

# Parameterization of all freeze-out points

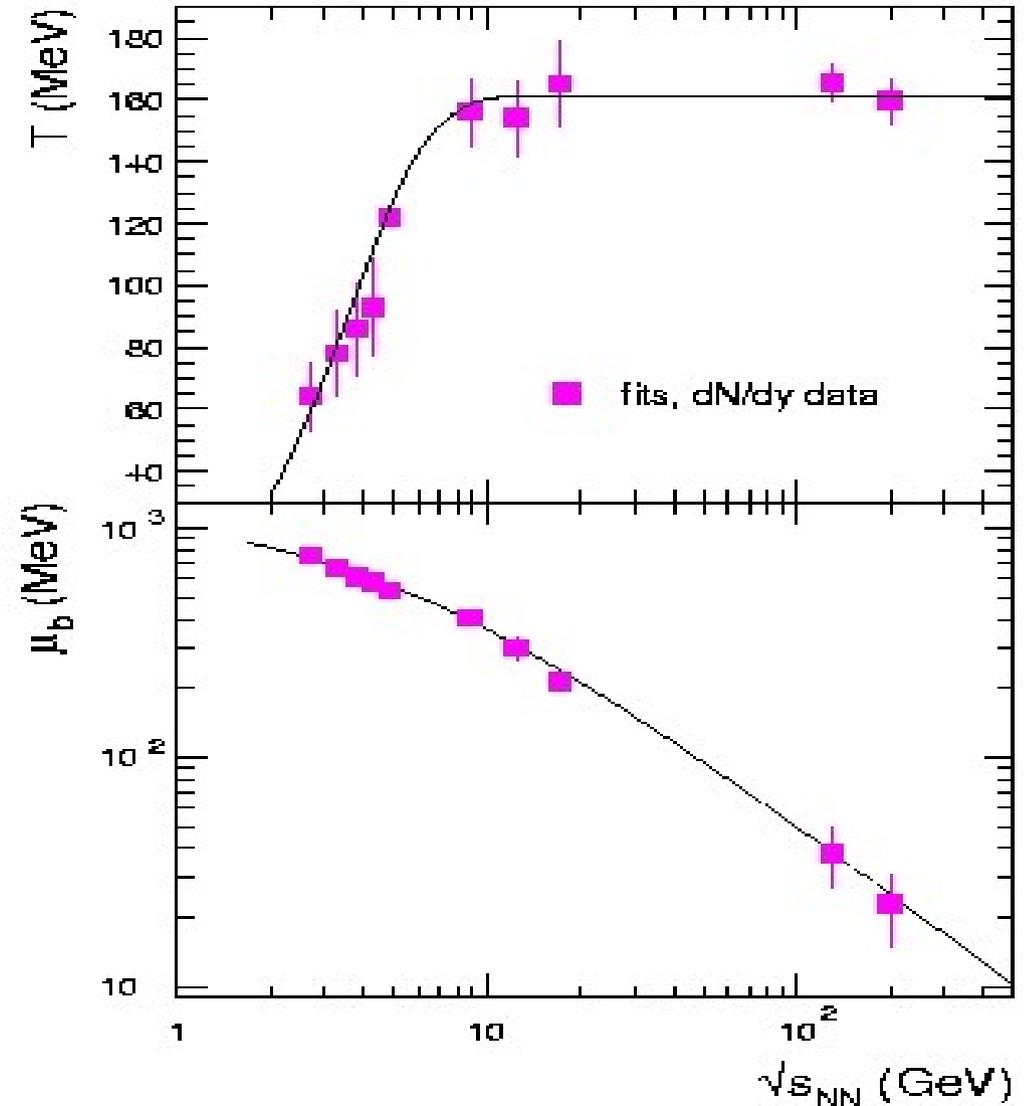
note: establishment of limiting temperature

$$T_{\text{lim}} = 160 \text{ MeV}$$

get  $T$  and  $\mu_B$  for all energies

in this approach  $T_{\text{lim}} = T_c$

A. Andronic, pbm, J. Stachel,  
Nucl. Phys. A772 (2006) 167  
nucl-th/0511071



freeze-out point at LHC energy to come soon

# Ingredients for prediction of quarkonium and open charm cross sections

- energy dependence of temperature and baryo-chemical potential (from hadron production analysis)
- open charm (open bottom) cross section in pp or better AA collisions
- quarkonium production cross section in pp collisions (for corona part)

result: quarkonium and open charm cross sections as function of energy, centrality, rapidity, and transverse momentum

# Hadronization of charm quarks – a special case?

If charmonium survives beyond  $T_c$  in the quark-gluon plasma, this implies in return that charm quarks hadronize at  $T > T_c$ .

The concept of a phase boundary between hadronic matter and quark-gluon plasma implies conversion of partons into hadrons within the (cross over?) transition.

A flavor-dependent phase boundary calls the whole concept of the deconfinement phase transition into question.

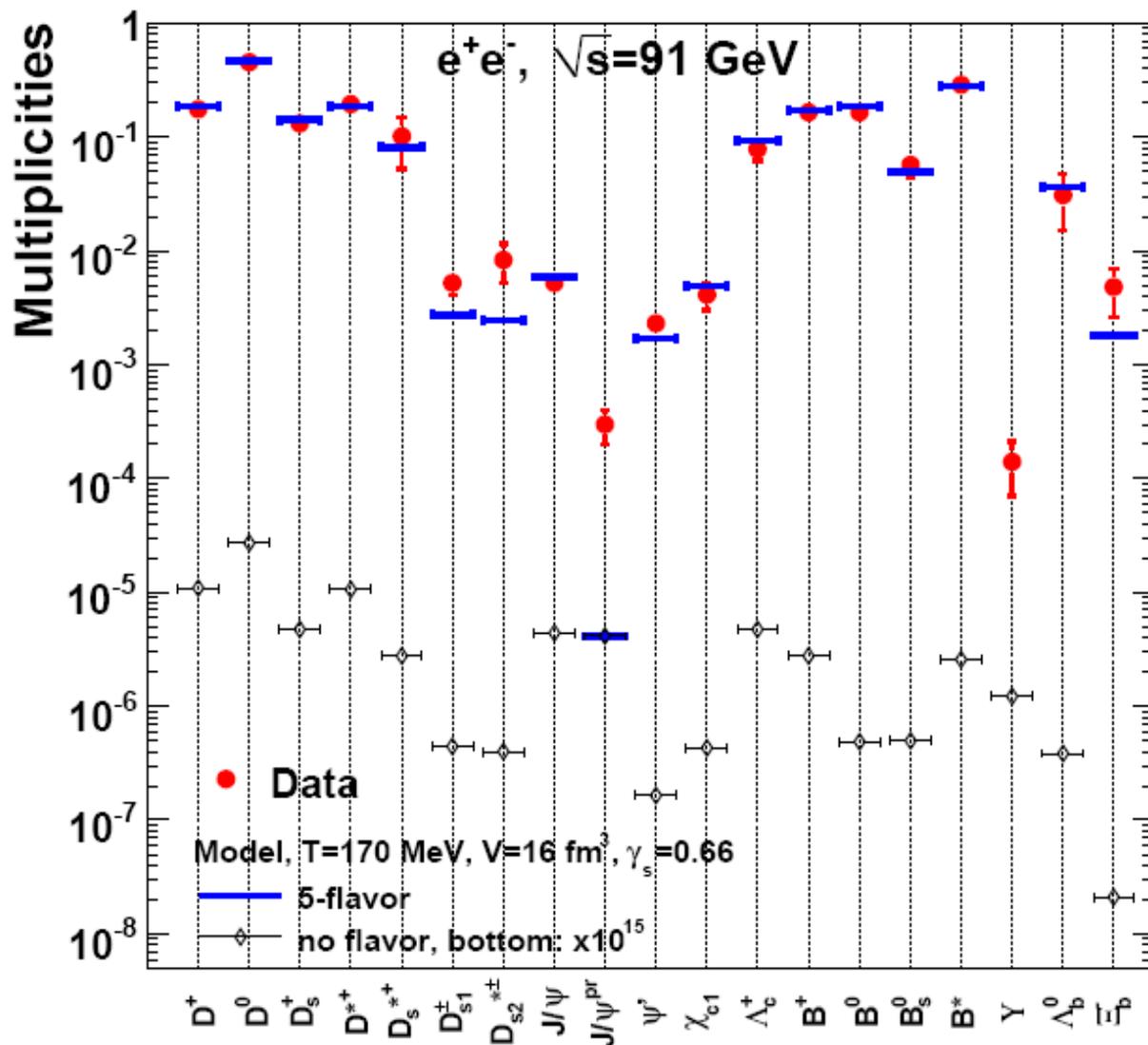
# Heavy quark and quarkonium production in e+e- collisions

Comparison of stat. model calcs. with data

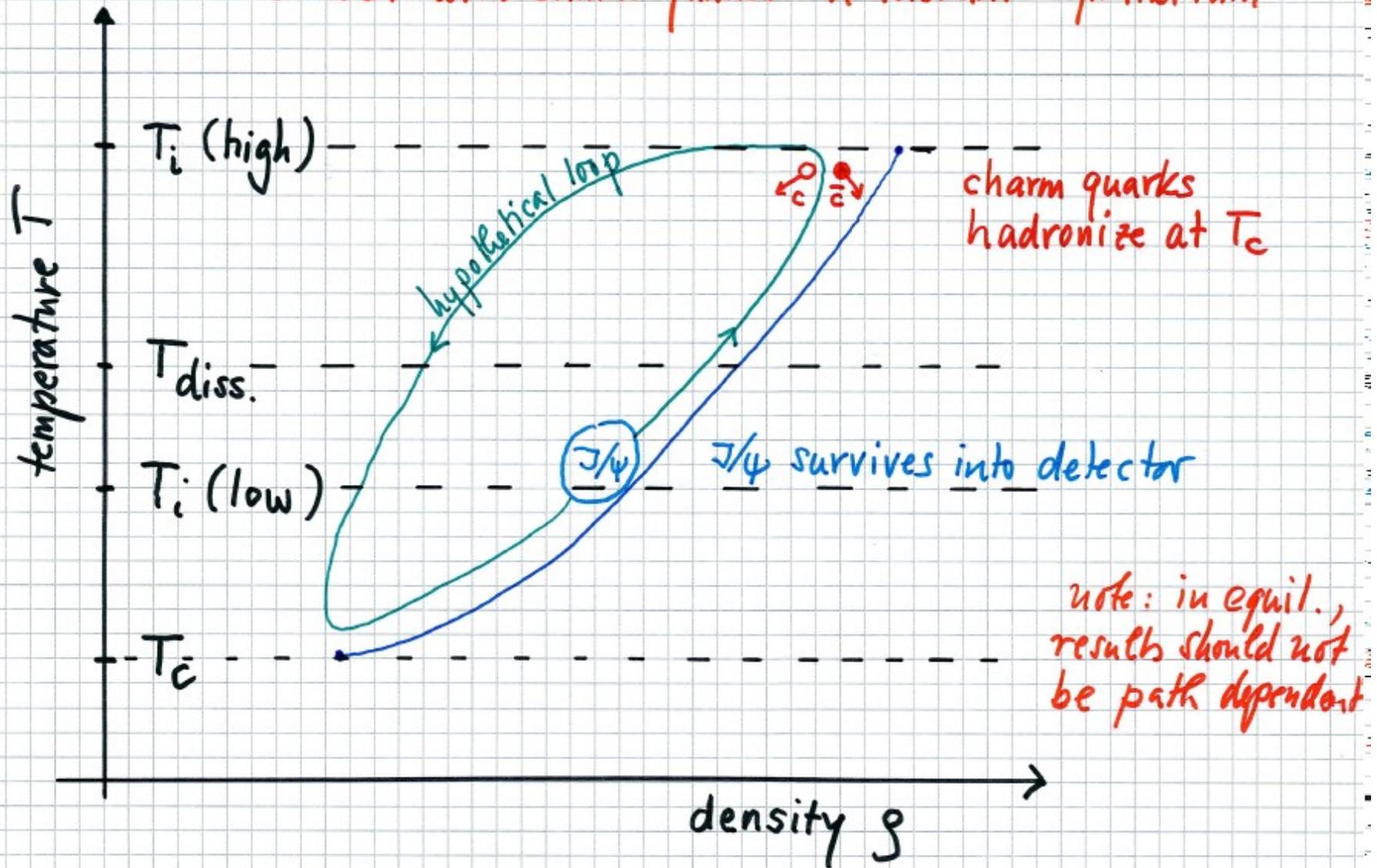
Phys. Lett. B678 (2009) 350, arXiv:0903.1610 [hep-ph]

charmonium cannot be described at all in this approach

But: all charm quarks hadronize at 170 MeV



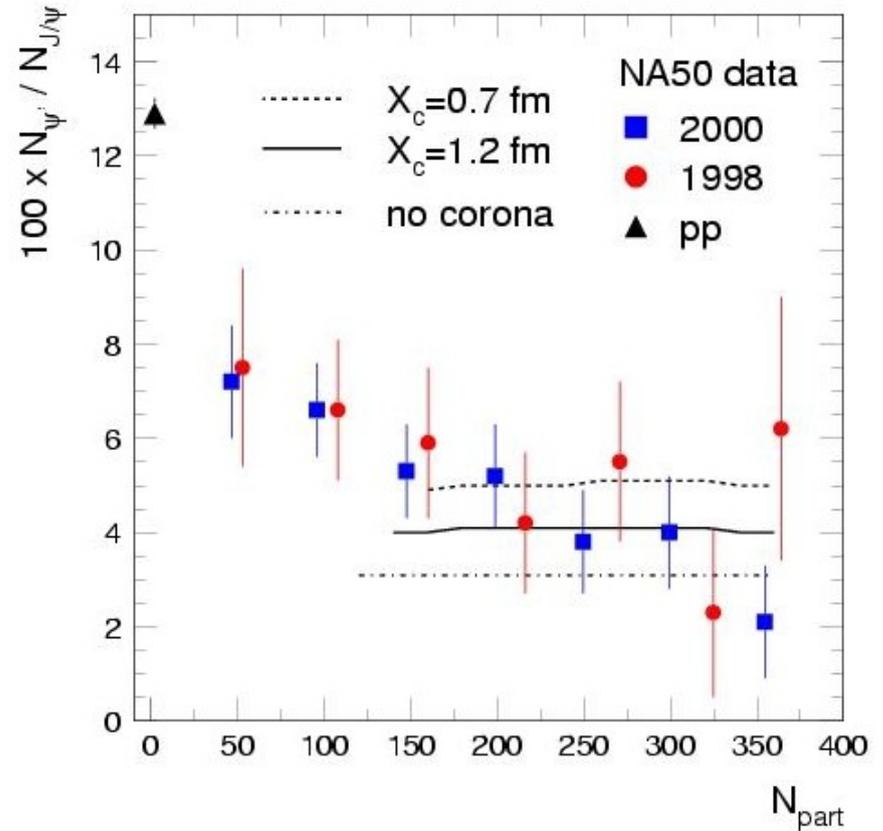
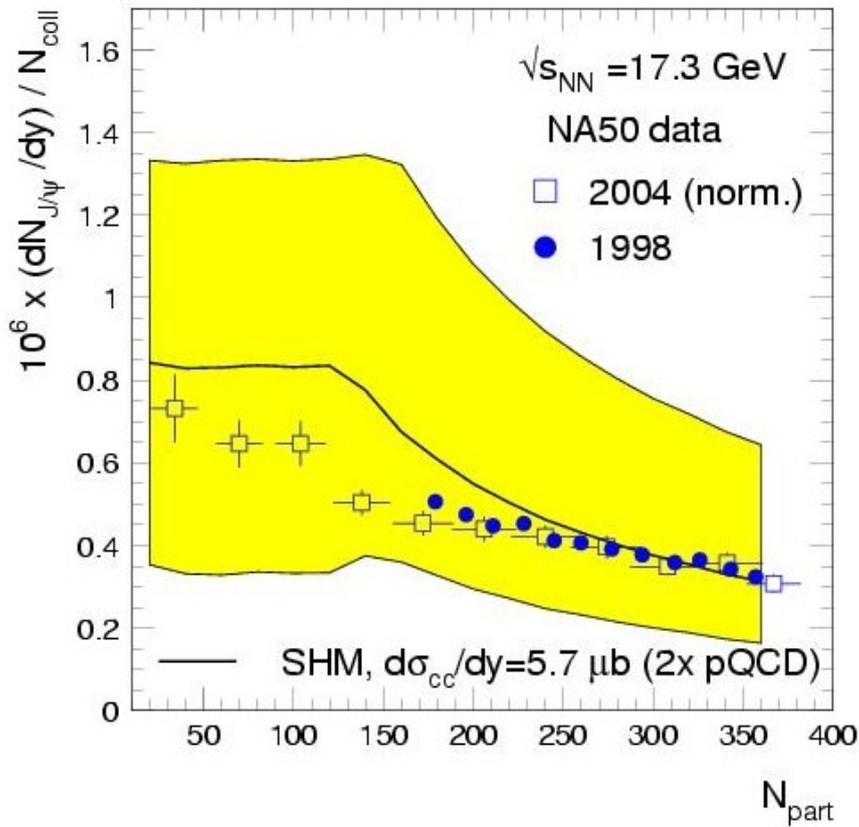
the QGP with charm quarks in thermal equilibrium



if charmed hadrons in PbPb follow statistical hadronization at the phase boundary  
→ no  $J/\psi$  bound state in QGP (complete color screening)

**Now brief survey of SPS and RHIC results**

# results for SPS energy



only moderately enhanced (2 x pQCD)  $c\bar{c}$  cross section needed

$\psi'/\psi$  ratio is expected from a thermal scenario

# a note on excited quarkonia and statistical hadronization

in the statistical hadronization model, the ratio  $R$  of excited/ground state is simply determined by a Boltzmann factor:

$$R = \exp(-(M1-M0)/T)$$

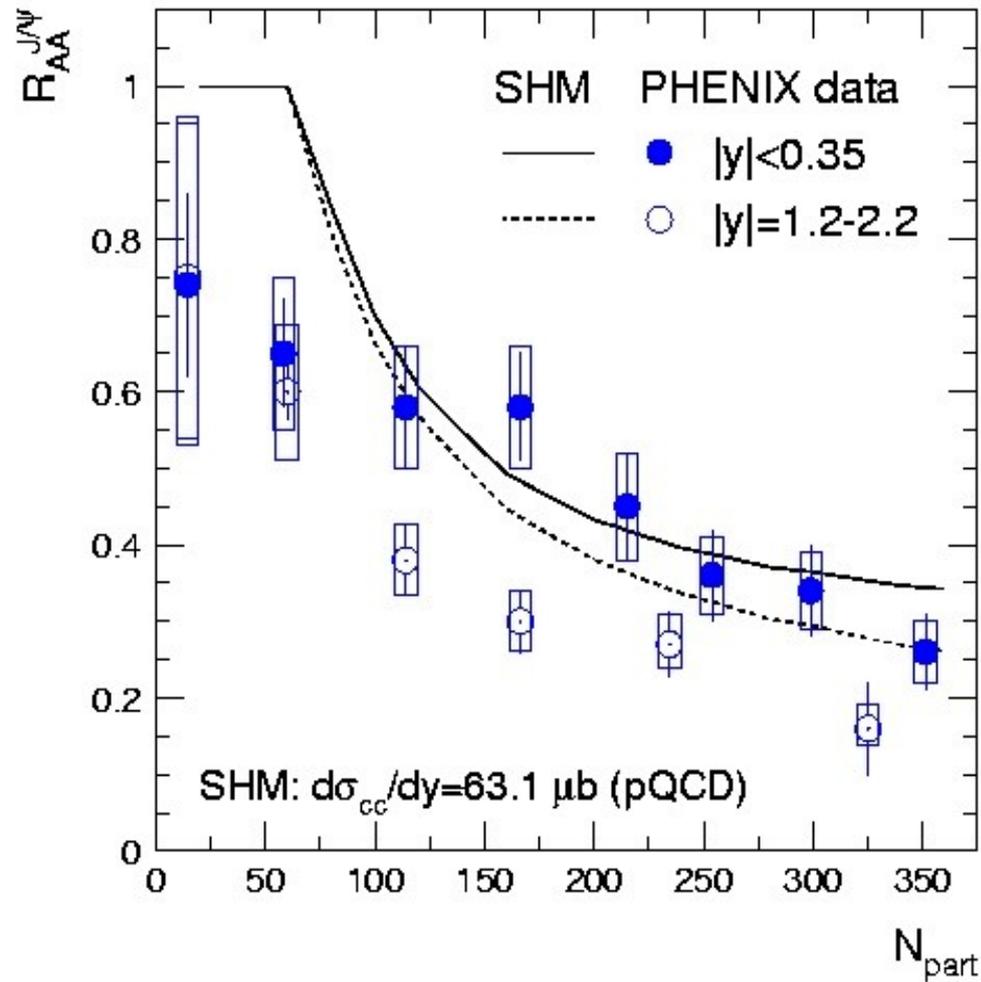
$T = 164 \text{ MeV}$  is the critical (or hadronization) temperature

for  $\psi'/(J/\psi)$  this yields:  $R_{\psi'} = 0.023$  (plus small correction from feeding)

for  $Y'/Y$  this yields:  $R_{Y'} = 0.032$   $R_{Y''} = 0.004$

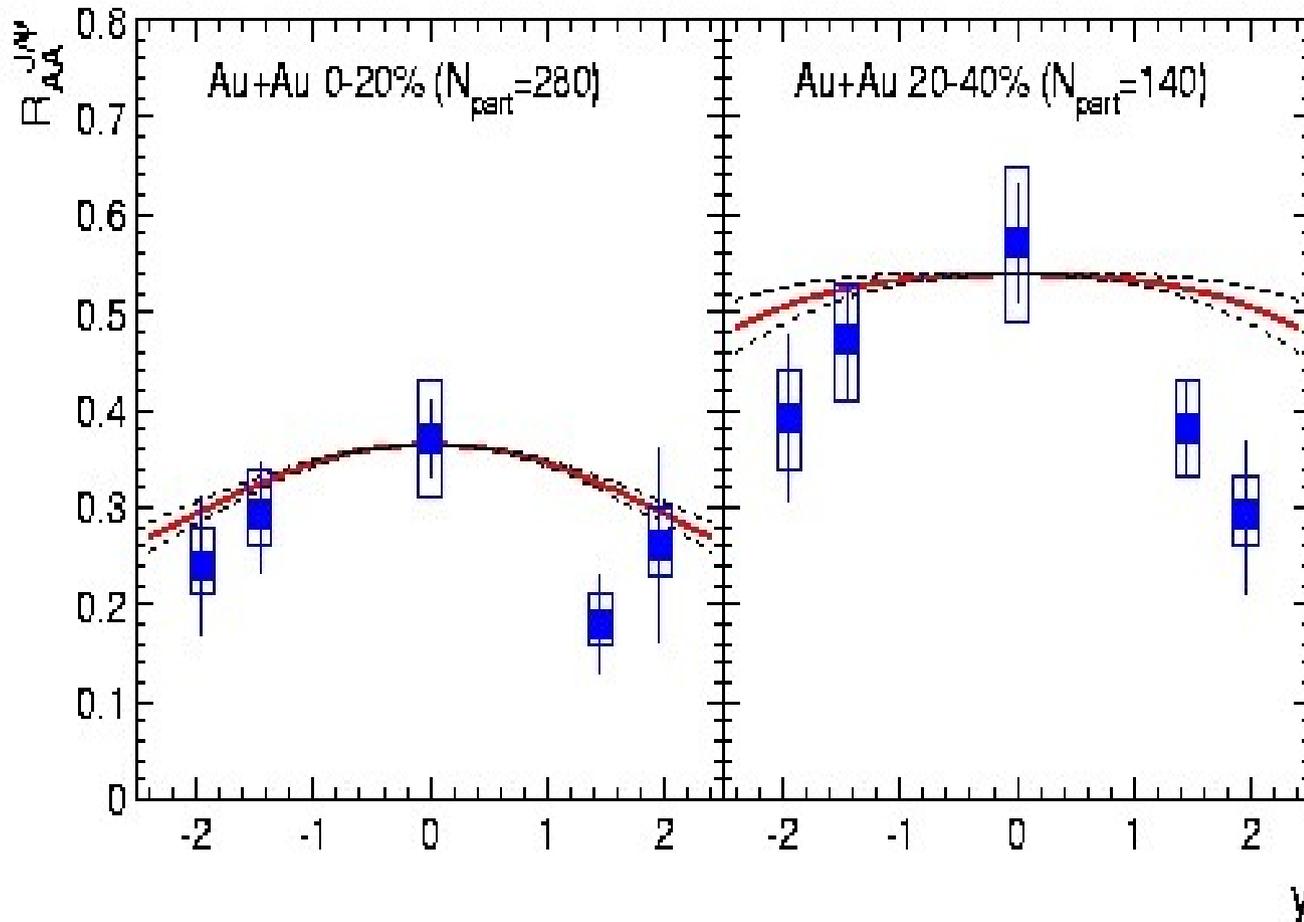
# **a brief look at RHIC data**

# Centrality dependence of nuclear modification factor



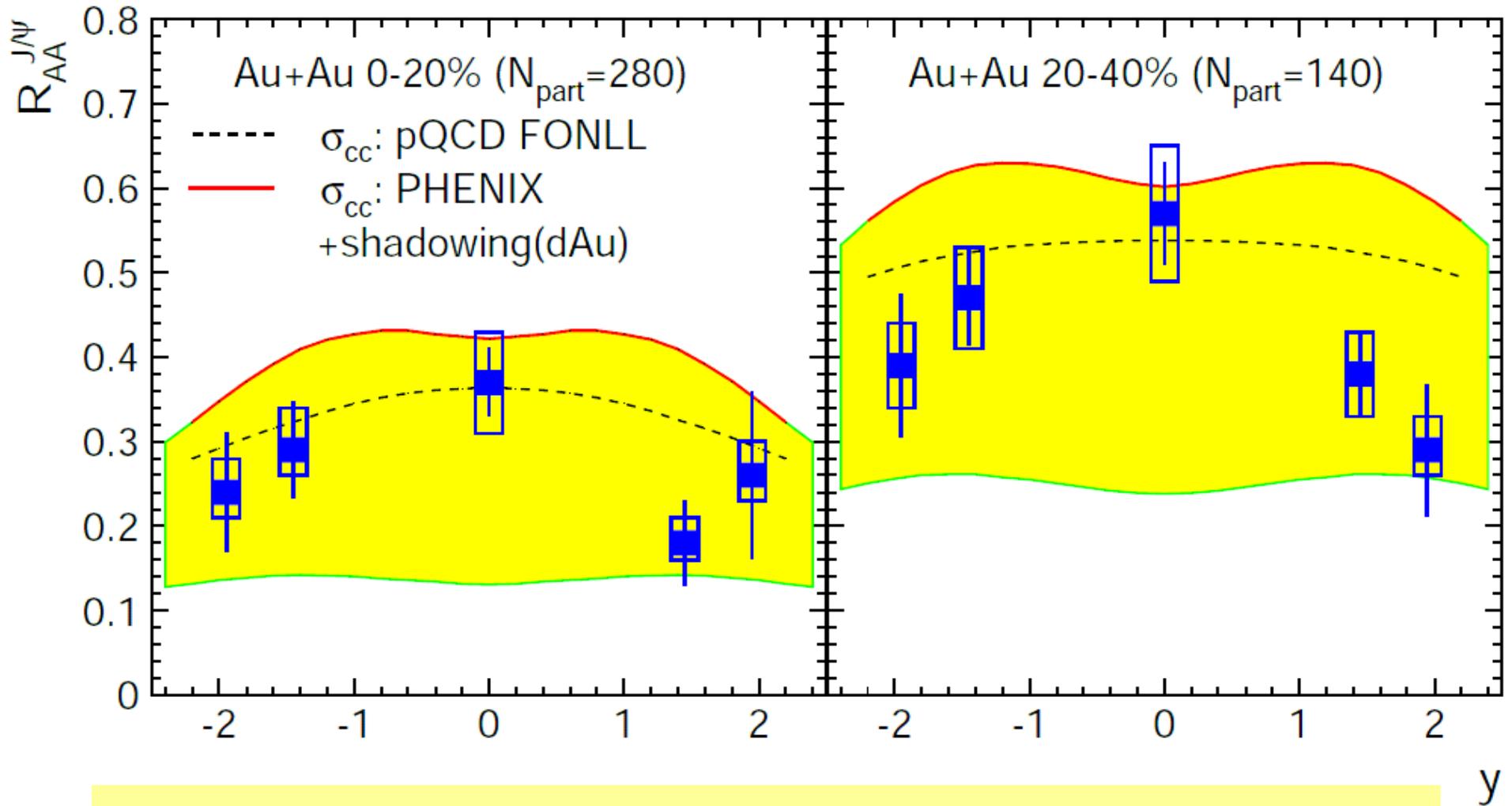
data well described  
by our regeneration model  
without any new  
parameters

# Comparison of model predictions to RHIC data: rapidity dependence



suppression is smallest at mid-rapidity (90 deg. emission)  
a clear indication for regeneration at the phase boundary

# Calculations including shadowing



assume PHENIX pA data reflect shadowing

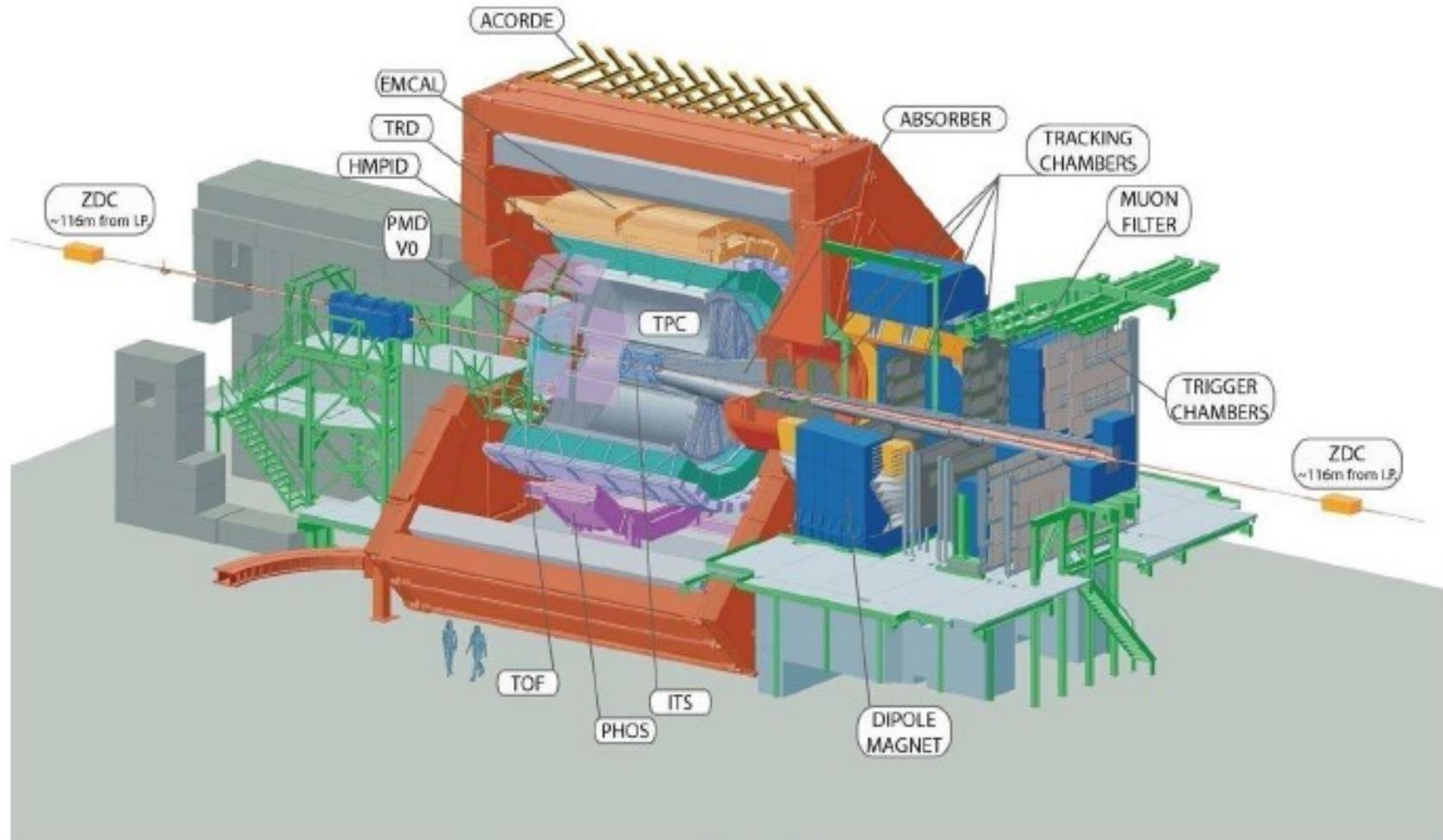
## now to LHC data

attempt full measurement of open charm and open beauty  
in pp, pPb, PbPb as function of centrality, rapidity and transverse  
momentum

attempt full measurement including polarization of all quarkonia  
in pp, pPb, PbPb as function of centrality, rapidity and transverse  
momentum

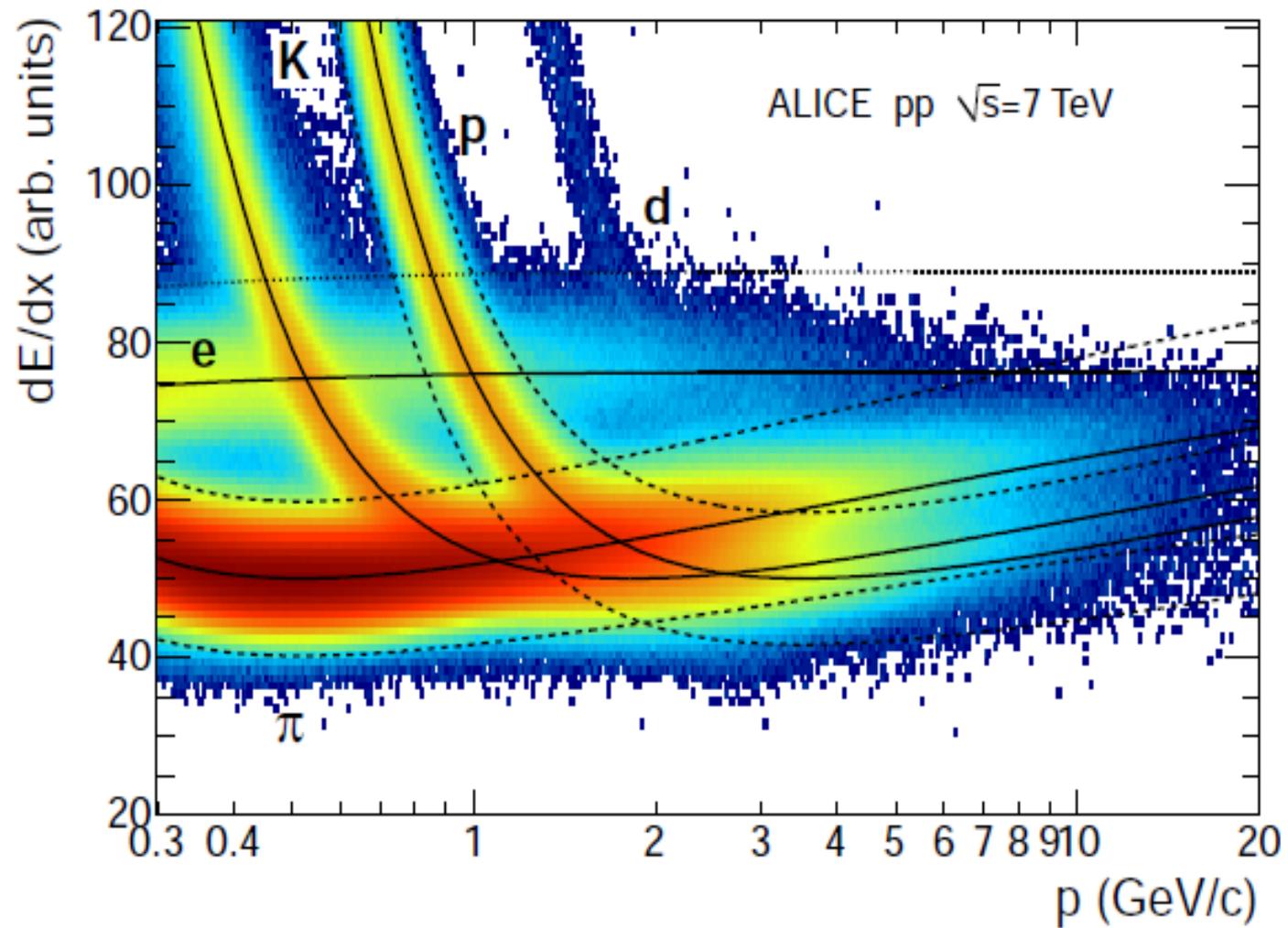
...we are on the way

# Charm and charmonia measured in ALICE

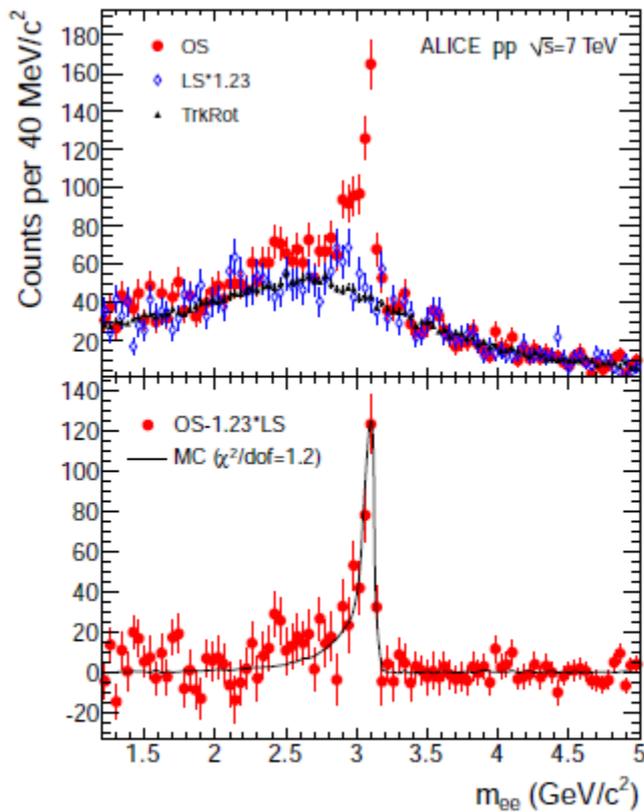


Measures charmonium at  $|y| < 0.9$  ( $e^+e^-$ ) and  $-4 < y < -2.5$  ( $\mu^+\mu^-$ )

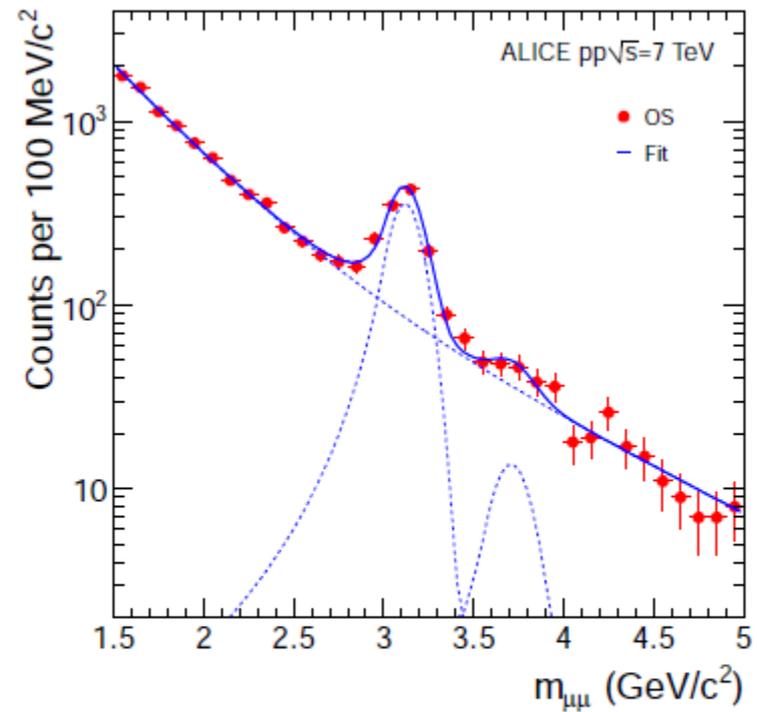
# Electron identification with the Alice TPC



# J/psi identification in pp collisions with ALICE



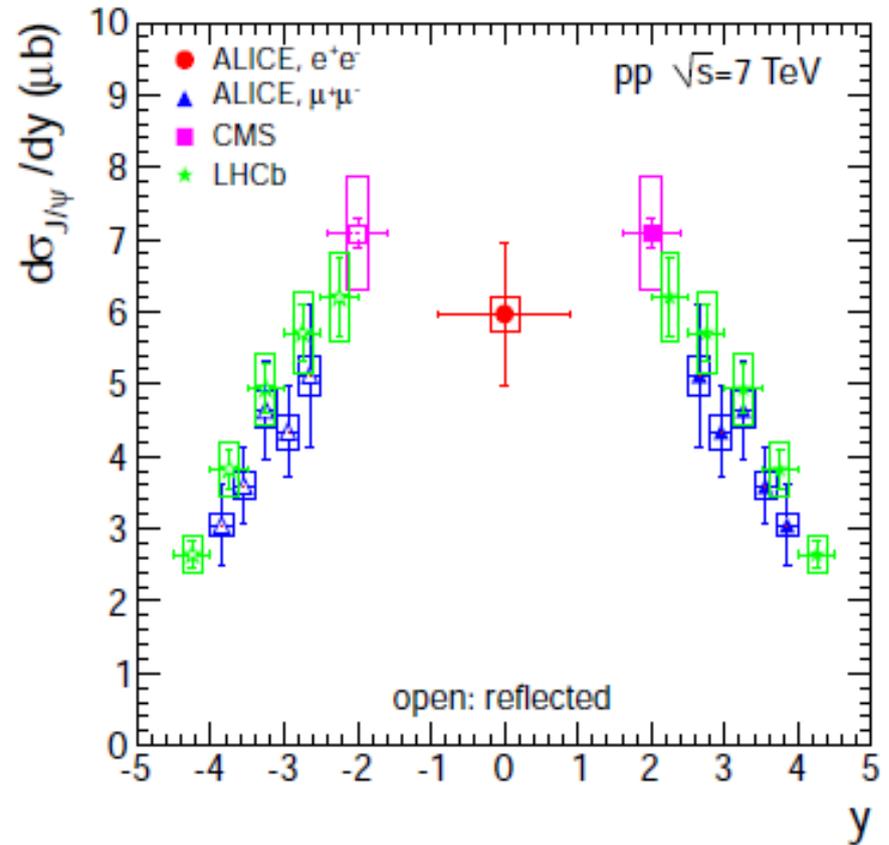
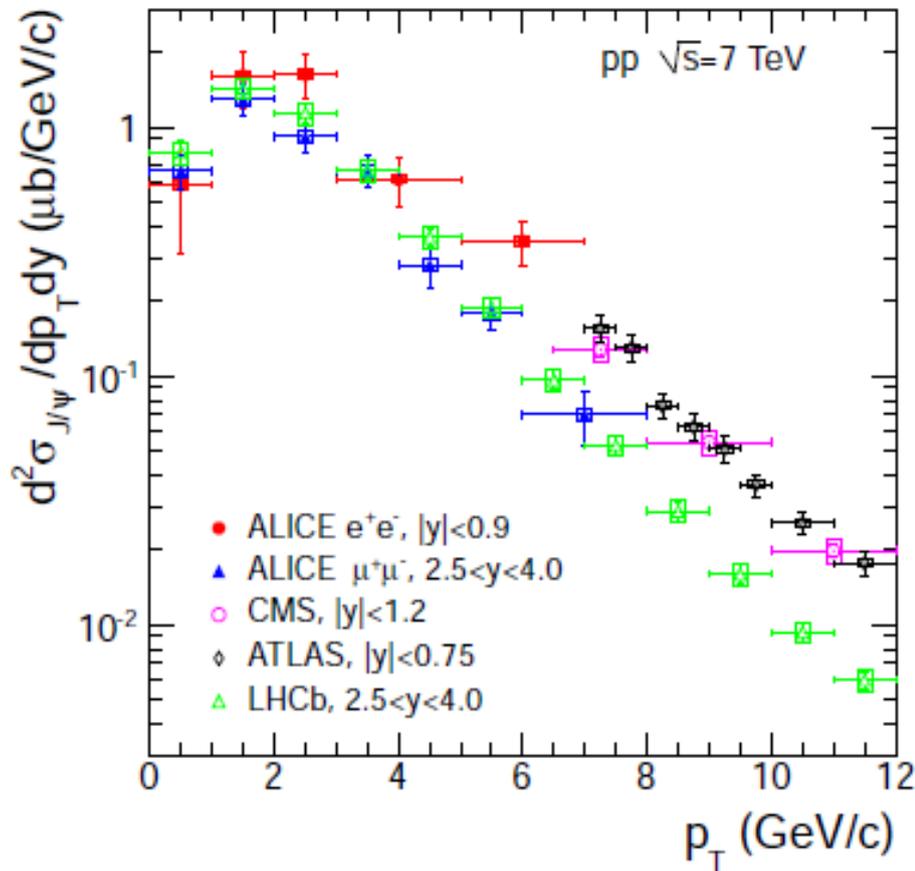
$$N_{J/\psi} = 352 \pm 32 \text{ for } L_{int}=5.6 \text{ nb}^{-1}$$



$$N_{J/\psi} = 957 \pm 56 \text{ for } L_{int}=7.9 \text{ nb}^{-1}$$

Phys. Lett. B 704 (2011) 442

# J/psi in pp collisions



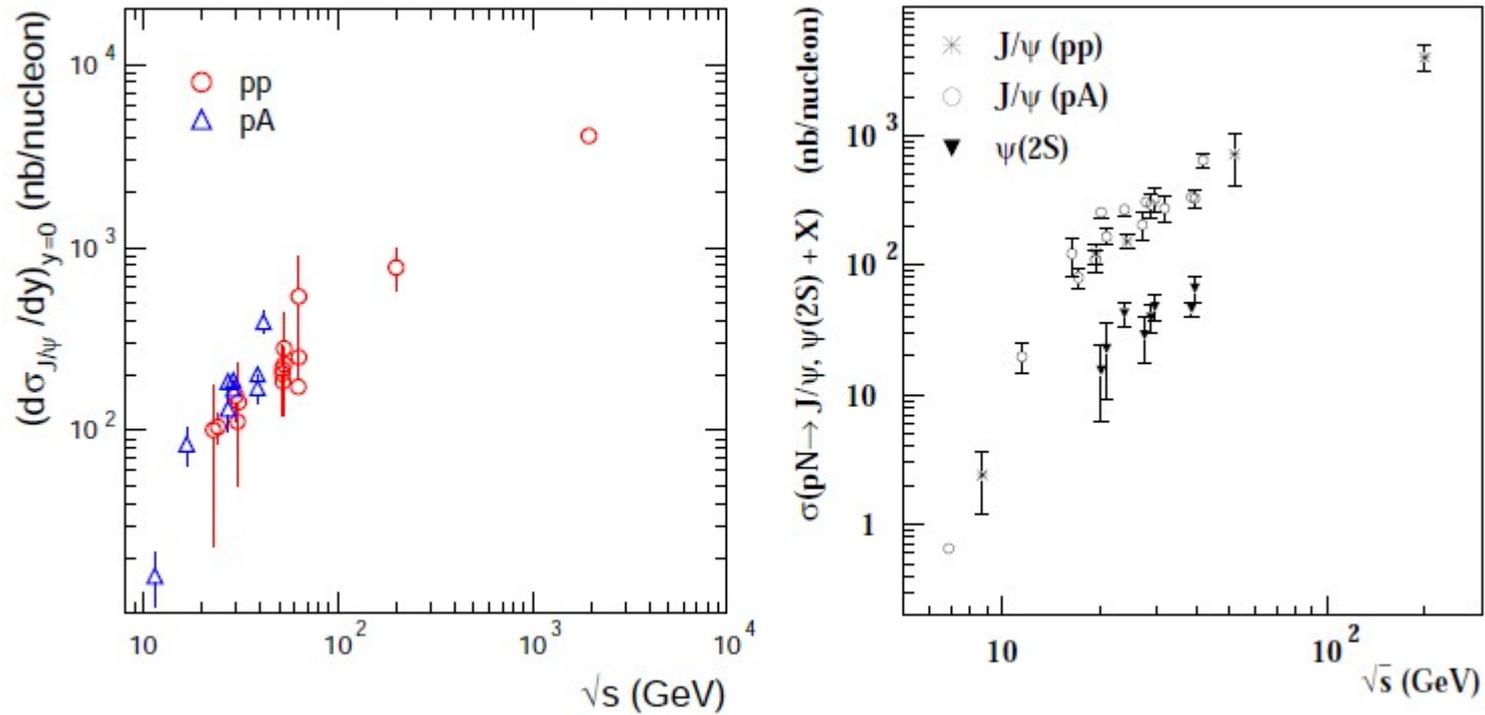
ALICE measures down to  $p_T=0$ , with broad  $y$  coverage

good agreement between the 4 LHC experiments

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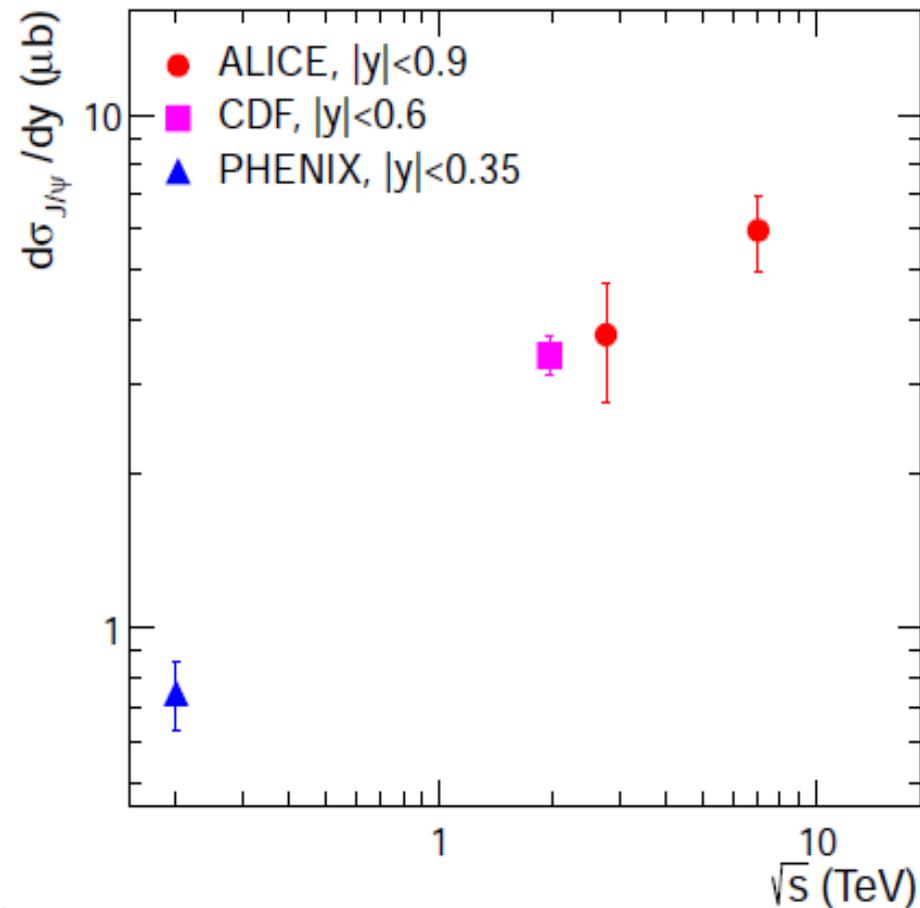
# Energy dependence of J/psi production in pp and pA collisions – lower energies

F. Maltoni et al., Phys. Lett. B638 (2006) 202



$$\sigma_{pA} = \sigma_{pp} A^\alpha, \quad \alpha \simeq 0.92 \text{ for } J/\psi, \quad \alpha \simeq 0.85 \text{ for } \psi'$$

# Energy dependence of $J/\psi$ production in pp collisions – collider energies

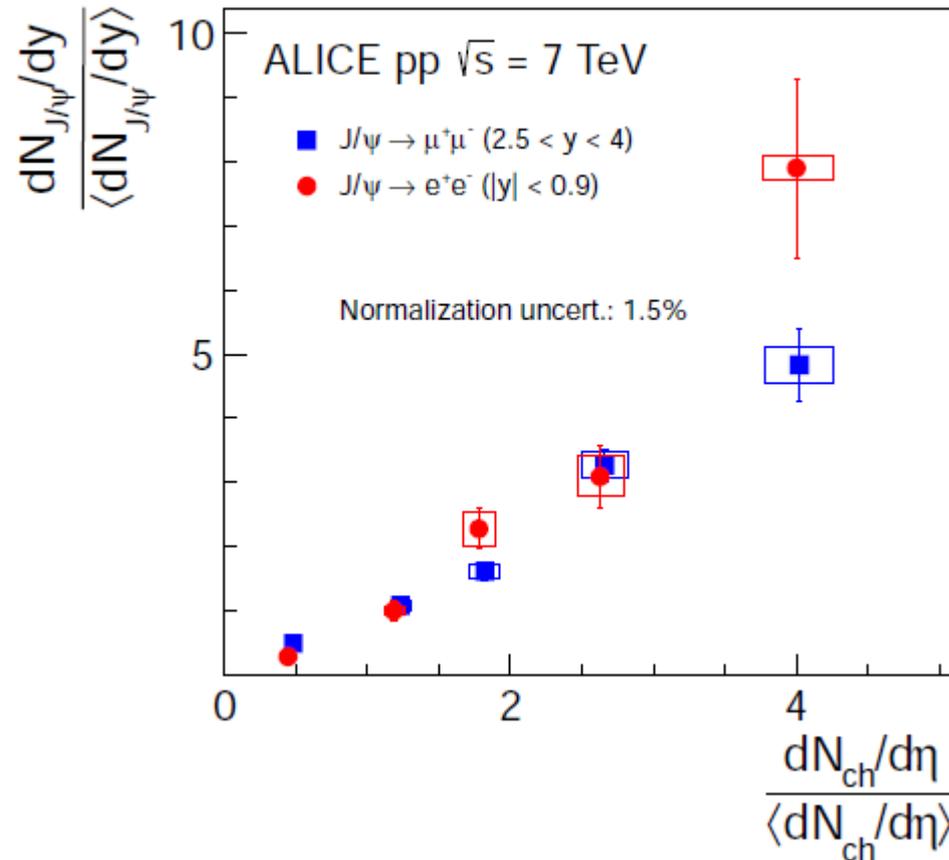


arXiv:1203.3641

...and more: polarization results (PRL 108 (2012) 082001),  $B \rightarrow J/\psi$

# A big surprize – multiplicity dependence

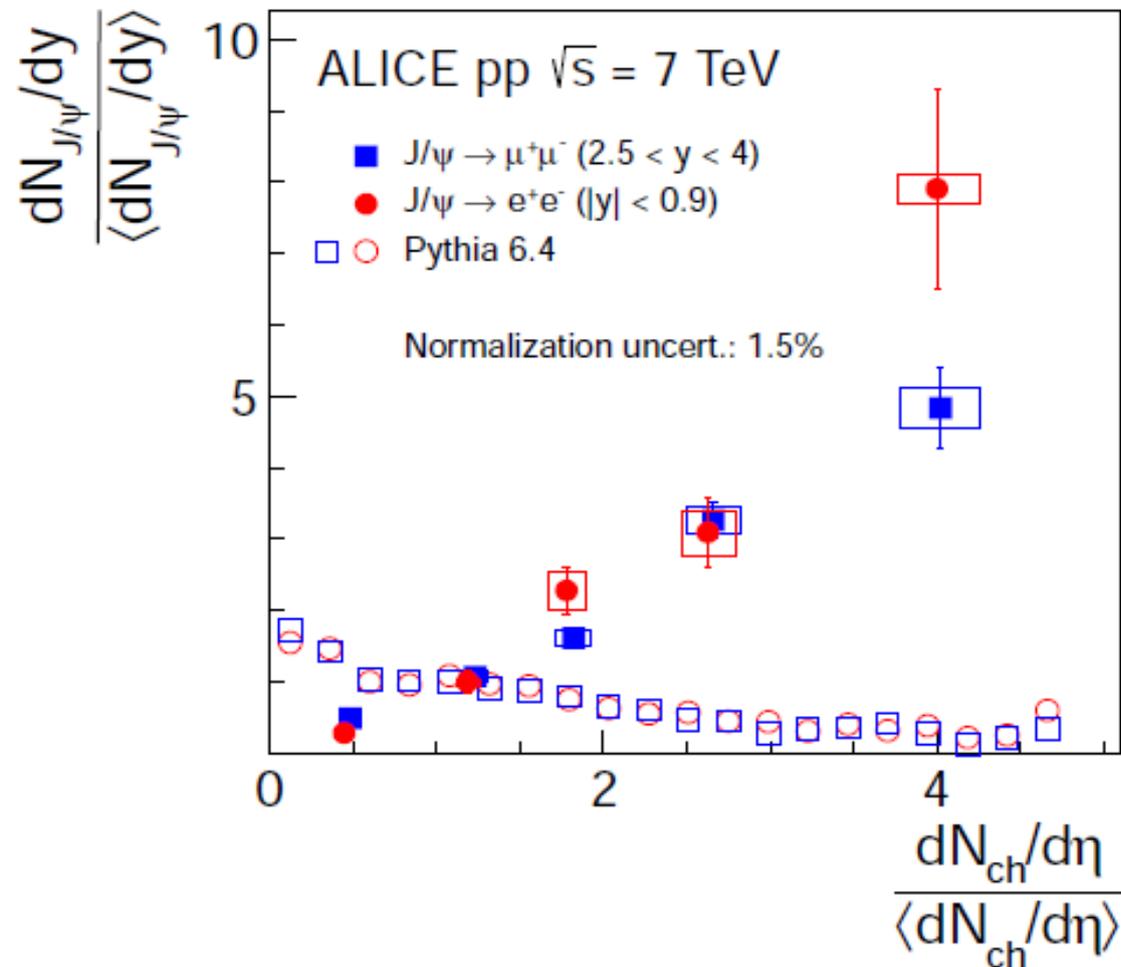
ALICE, arXiv:1202.2816



Non-linear behavior??? Is this a signature of multi-parton interactions?

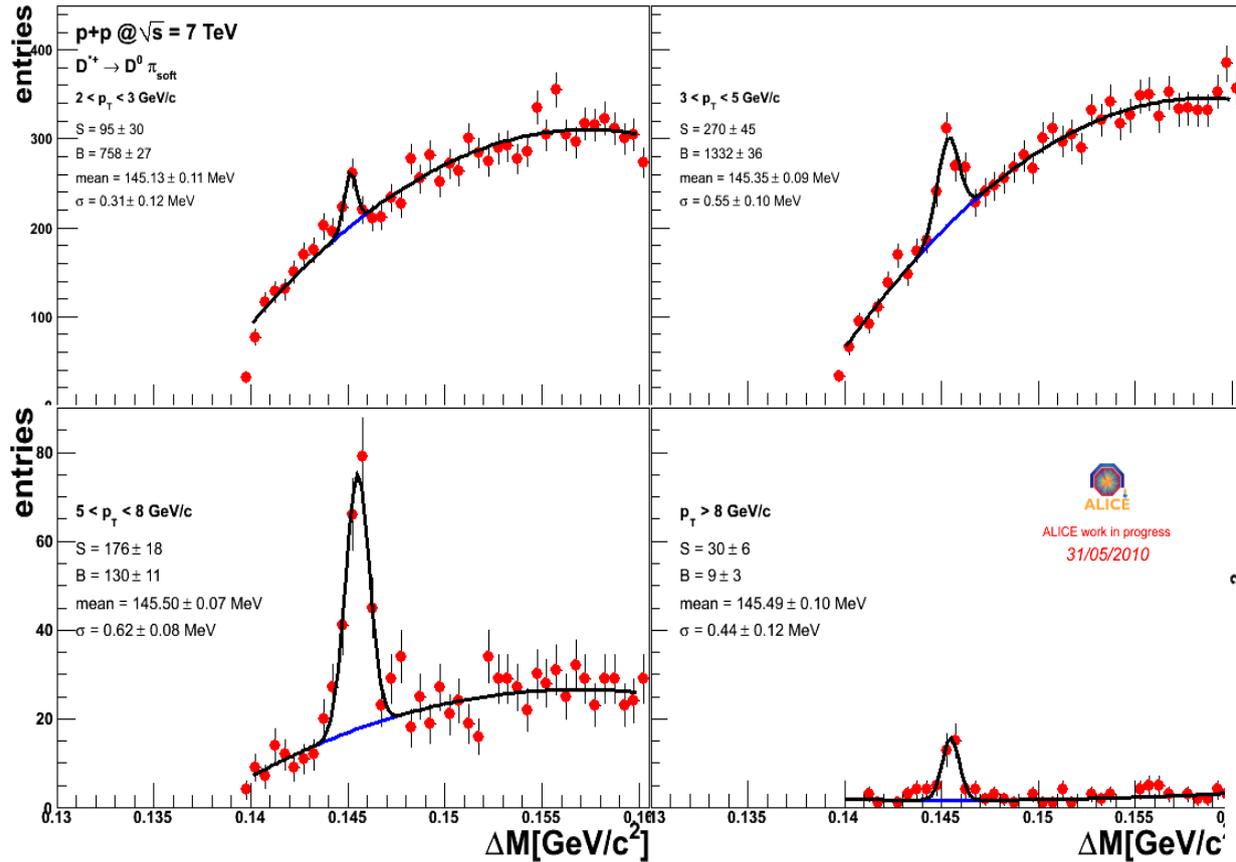
# Observations not in agreement with implementation of multi-parton collisions in Pythia 6.4

ALICE, arXiv:1202.2816

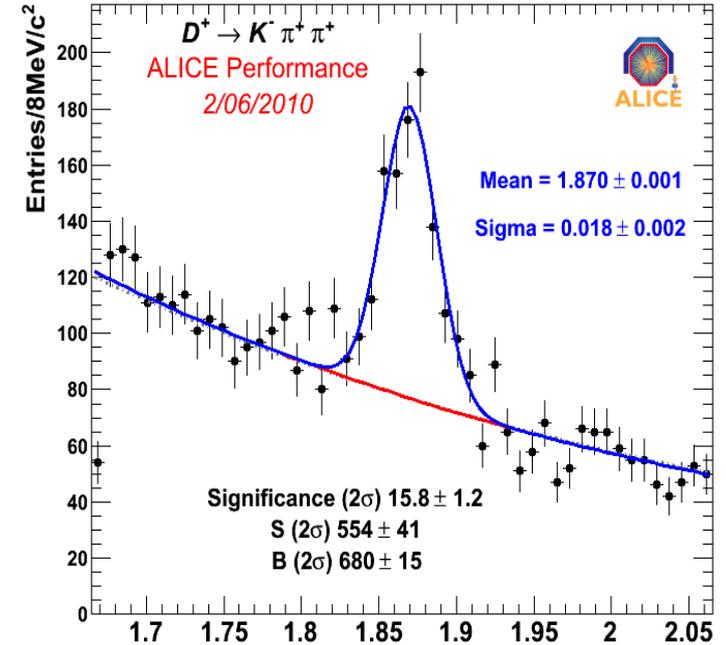


# $D^0$ , $D^+$ and $D^{0*}$ in 7 TeV pp data

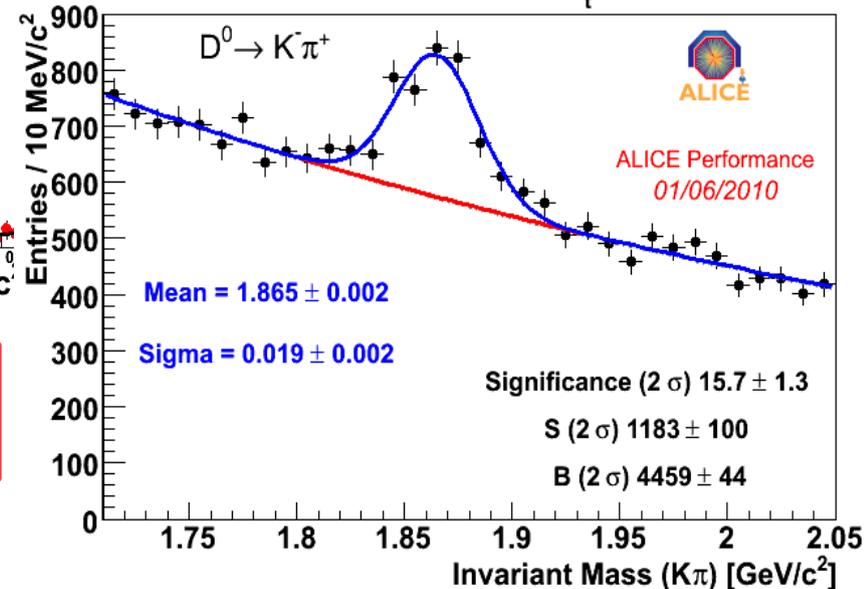
1.25  $10^8$  events



pp  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV,  $1.25 \times 10^8$  events,  $p_t^{D^+} > 2$  GeV/c

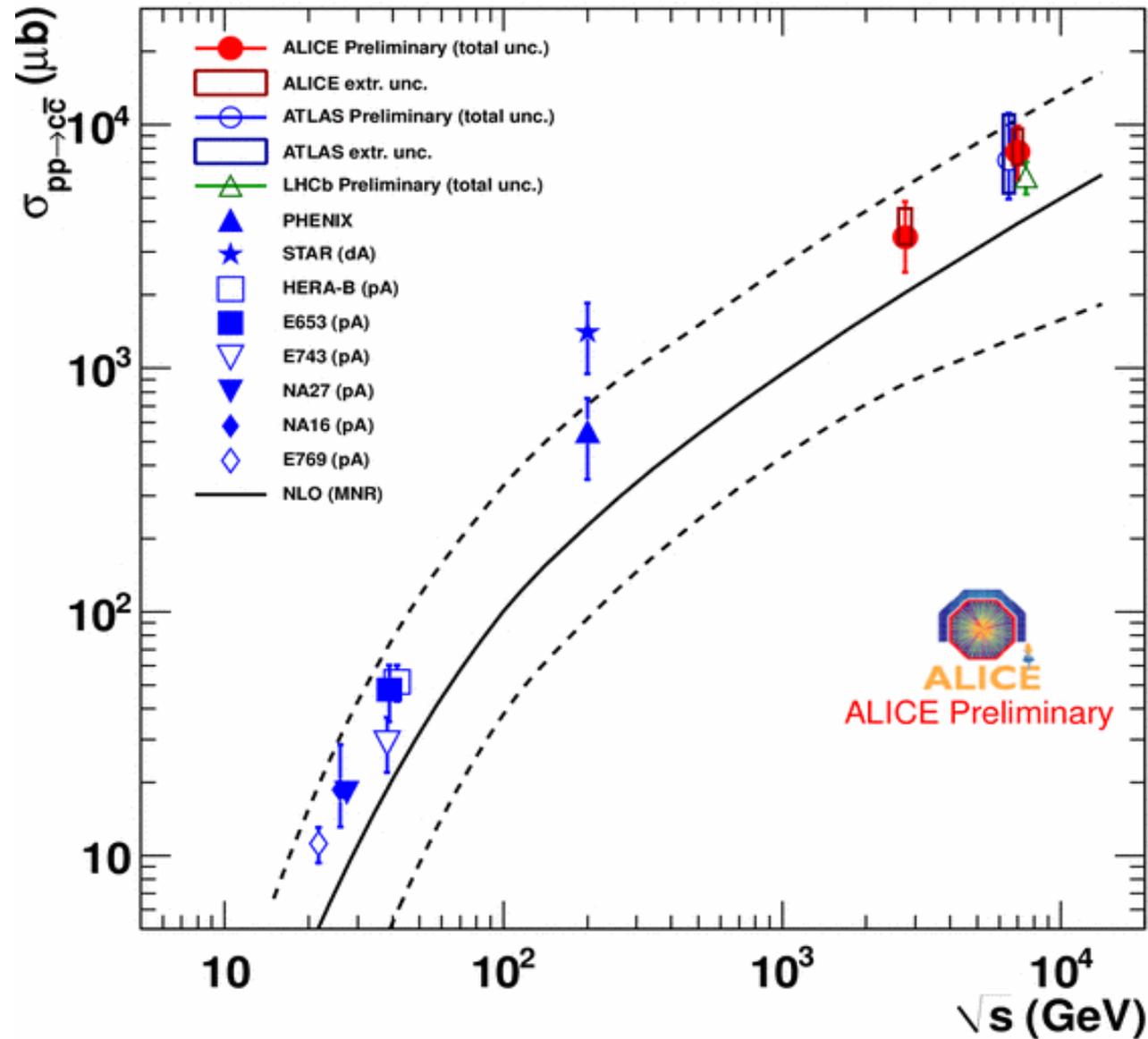


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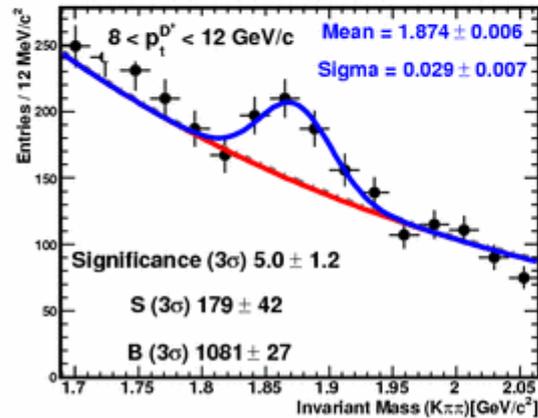
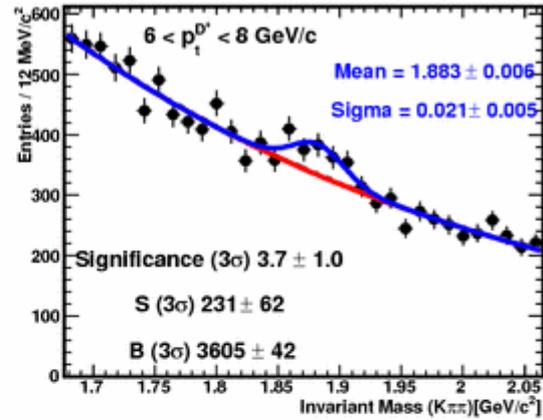
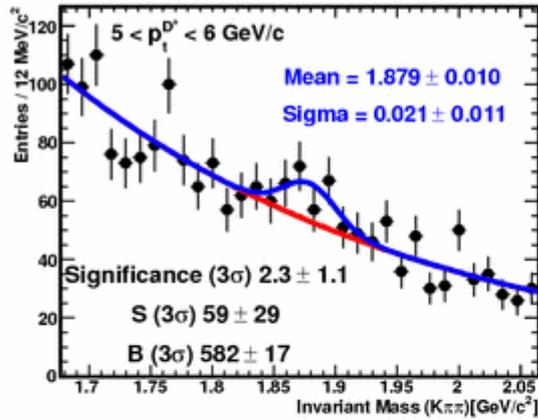


for  $10^9$  events, expect to measure open charm for  $p_t = 0.5 - 15$  GeV/c

# a first try at the total $c\bar{c}$ cross section in pp collisions



# D meson signals in Pb—Pb collisions



Pb-Pb  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $2.8 \times 10^6$  events

$D^* \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$

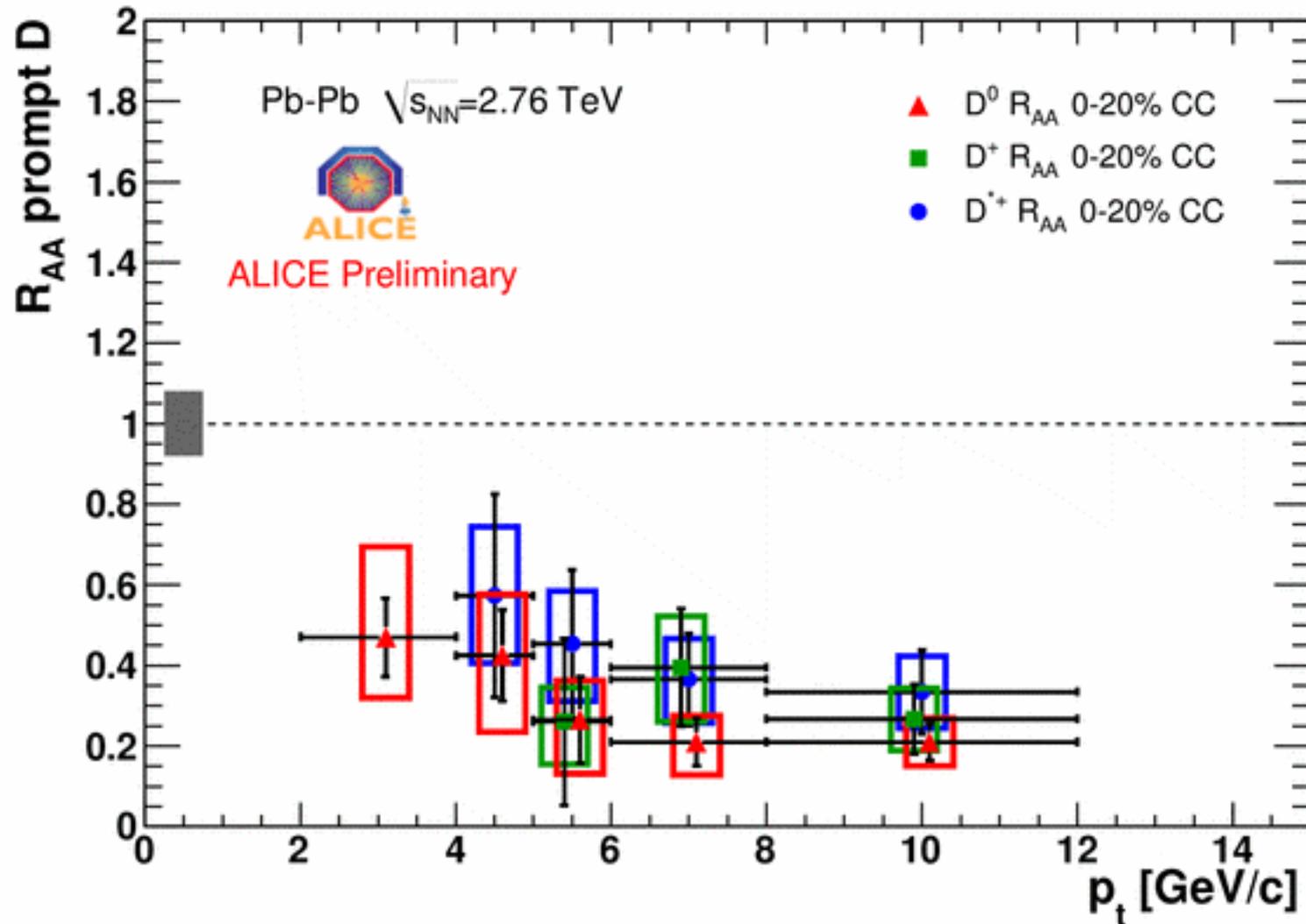
ALICE Performance

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Centrality 0-20%

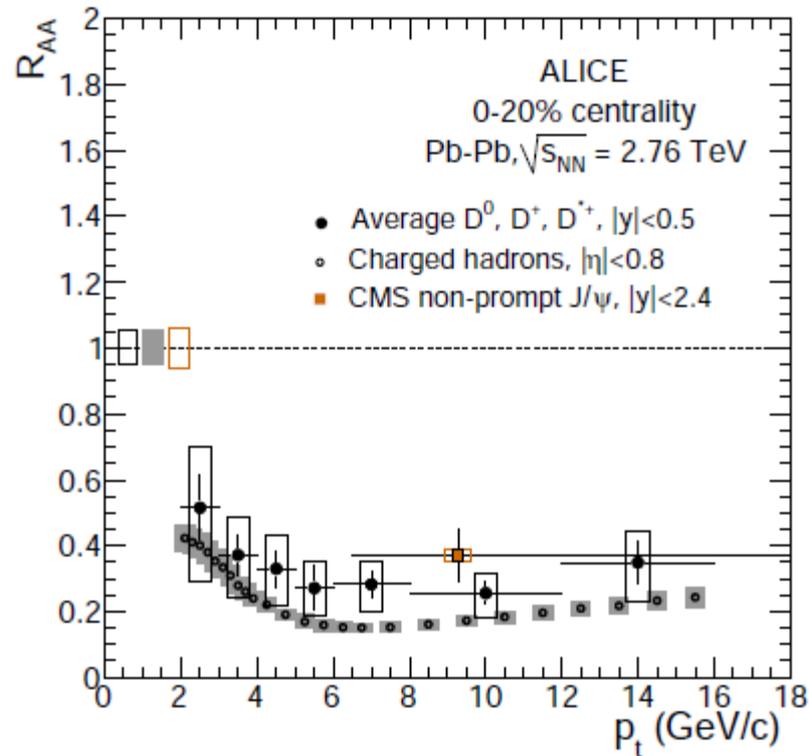


# D mesons in PbPb collisions at LHC



# Suppression of charm at LHC energy

$$R_{AA} = \frac{dN^{AA}/dp_t}{N_{coll} \cdot dN^{PP}/dp_t}$$



ALICE, arXiv:1203.2160

Energy loss of charm quarks close to that for light quark → thermalization

# charm quarks are suppressed relative to pp collisions

in the pt range  $3 < p_t < 10$  GeV there are much fewer charm quarks compared to expectations from pp collisions

→ **charm quarks in PbPb are at low pt!**

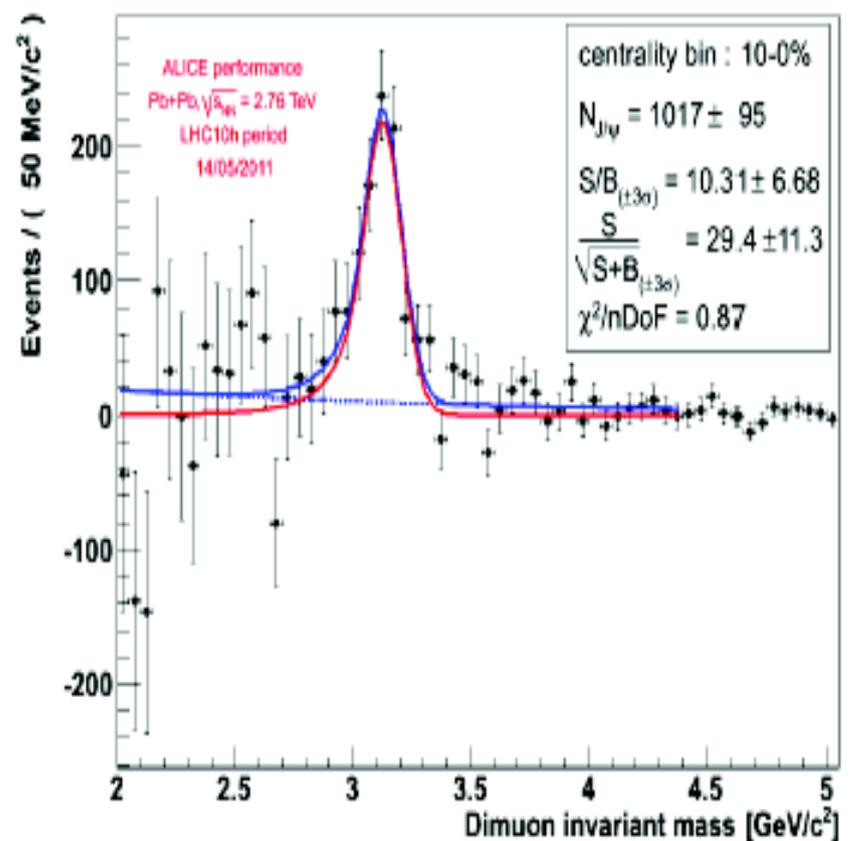
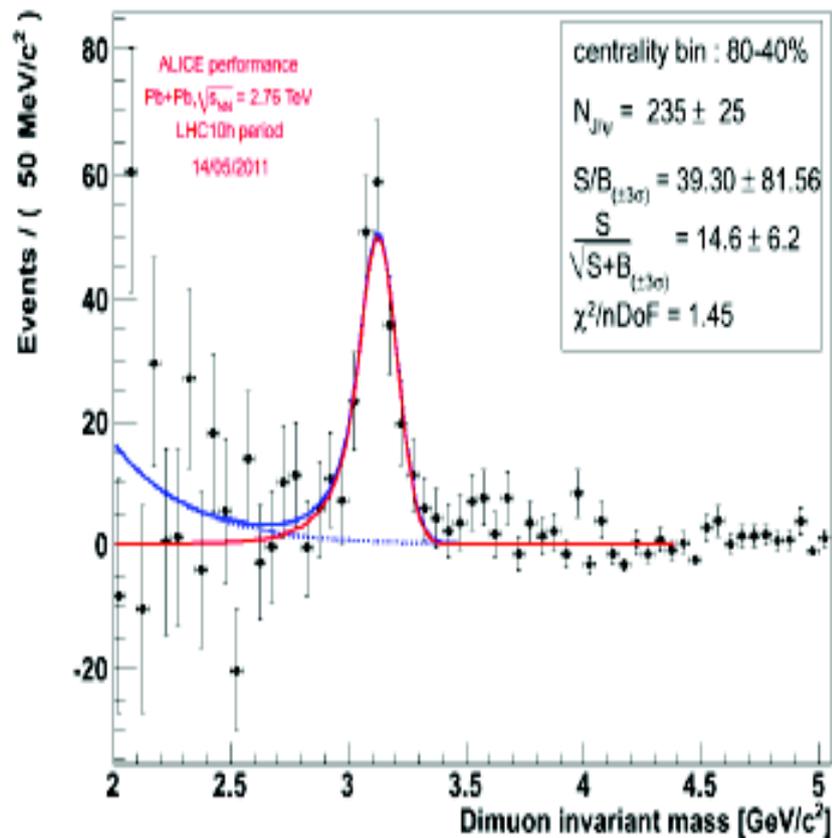
expect that charmonia are suppressed in the  $p_t > 3$  GeV range

measurements at low pt are absolutely essential for the charmonium story

solution: normalization of J/psi to the open charm cross section in PbPb collisions

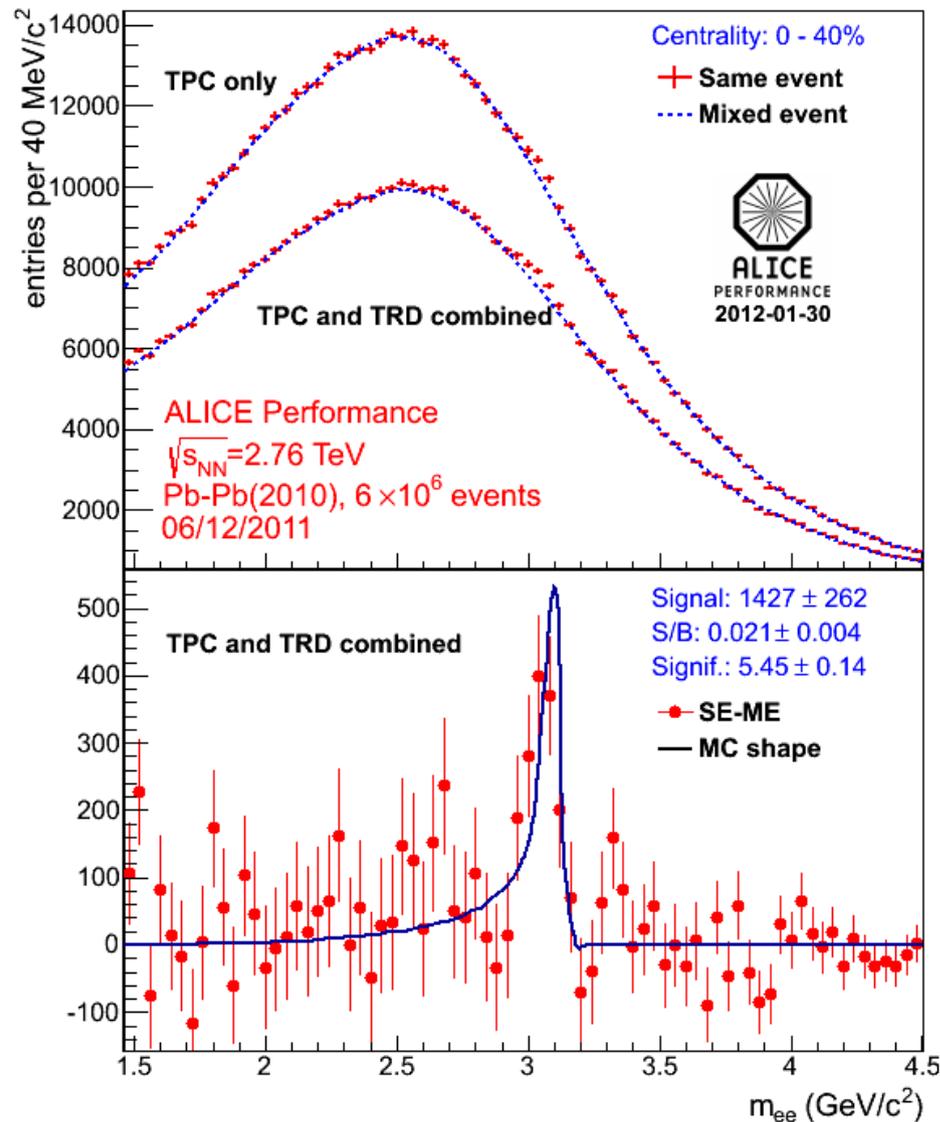
first step: (J/psi)/D ratio in PbPb collisions to come soon from ALICE

# J/psi → mu mu in PbPb collisions



note: ALICE measurements include  $pt(J/\psi) = 0$

# J/psi in e+e- needs electron ID in both TPC and TRD

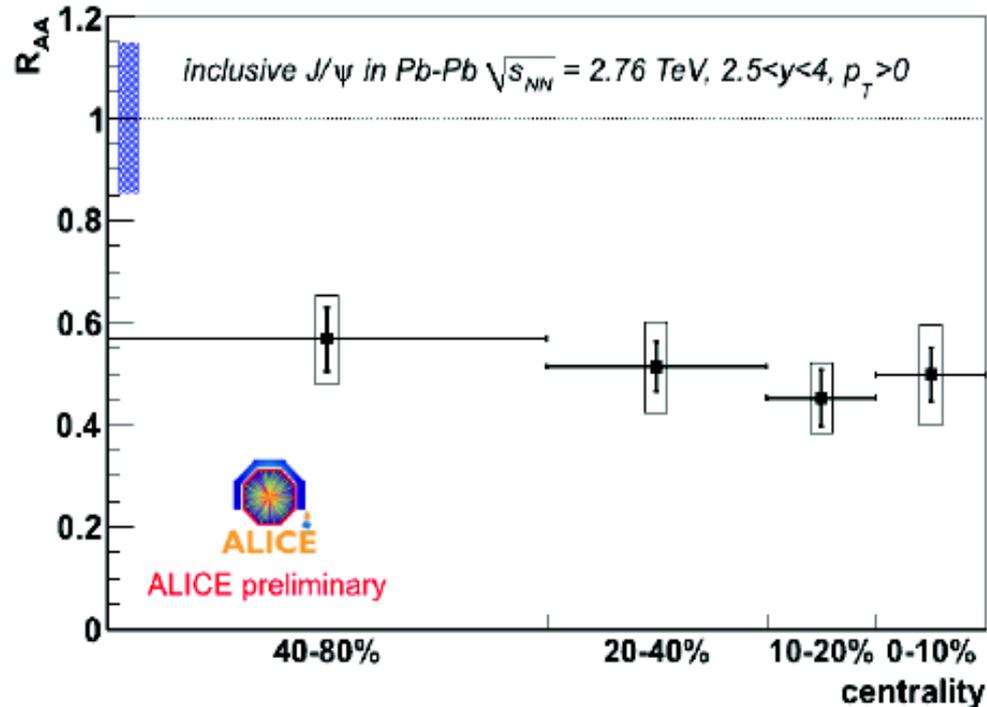


most challenging: **PbPb collisions**

in spite of significant combinatorial background

(true electrons, not from J/ψ decay but e.g. D- or B-mesons) **resonance well visible**

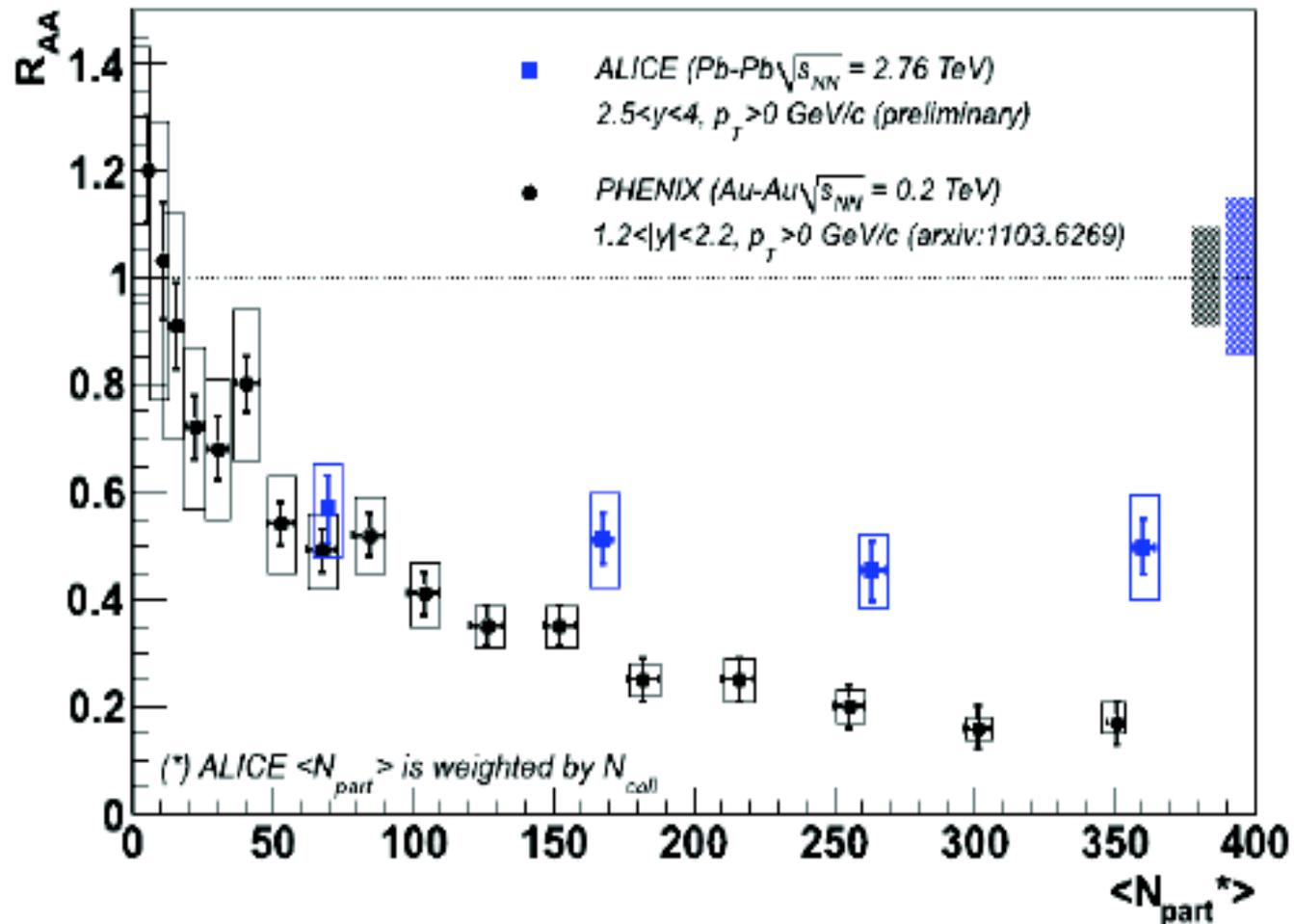
# first J/psi results at LHC energy from ALICE



- Error bars:  
Statistical uncertainties
- Empty boxes:  
Centrality-dependent  
systematic uncertainties
- Blue box:  
Overall systematic  
uncertainties

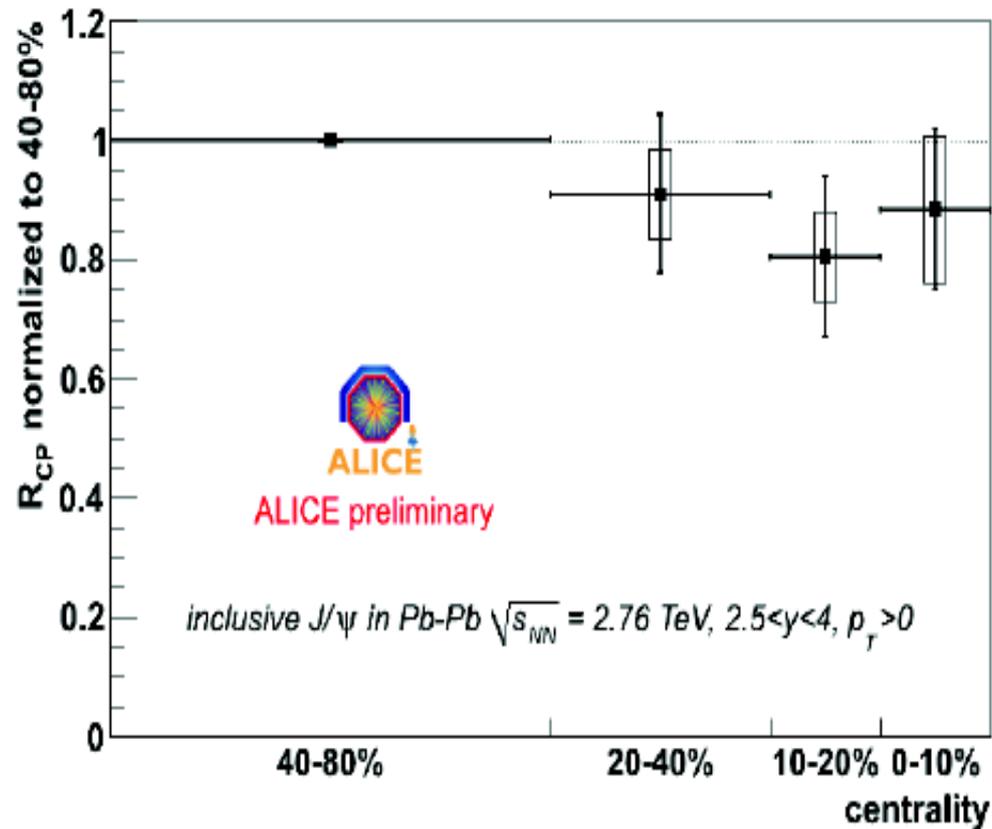
- Contamination from B feed-down: 10.7% from p-p measurement (arxiv: 1103.0423)  
→ Assuming it scales with  $N_{coll}$ :  $\sim 12\%$  reduction of the  $R_{AA}$  in 0-10% can be expected

# comparison with results from PHENIX at RHIC



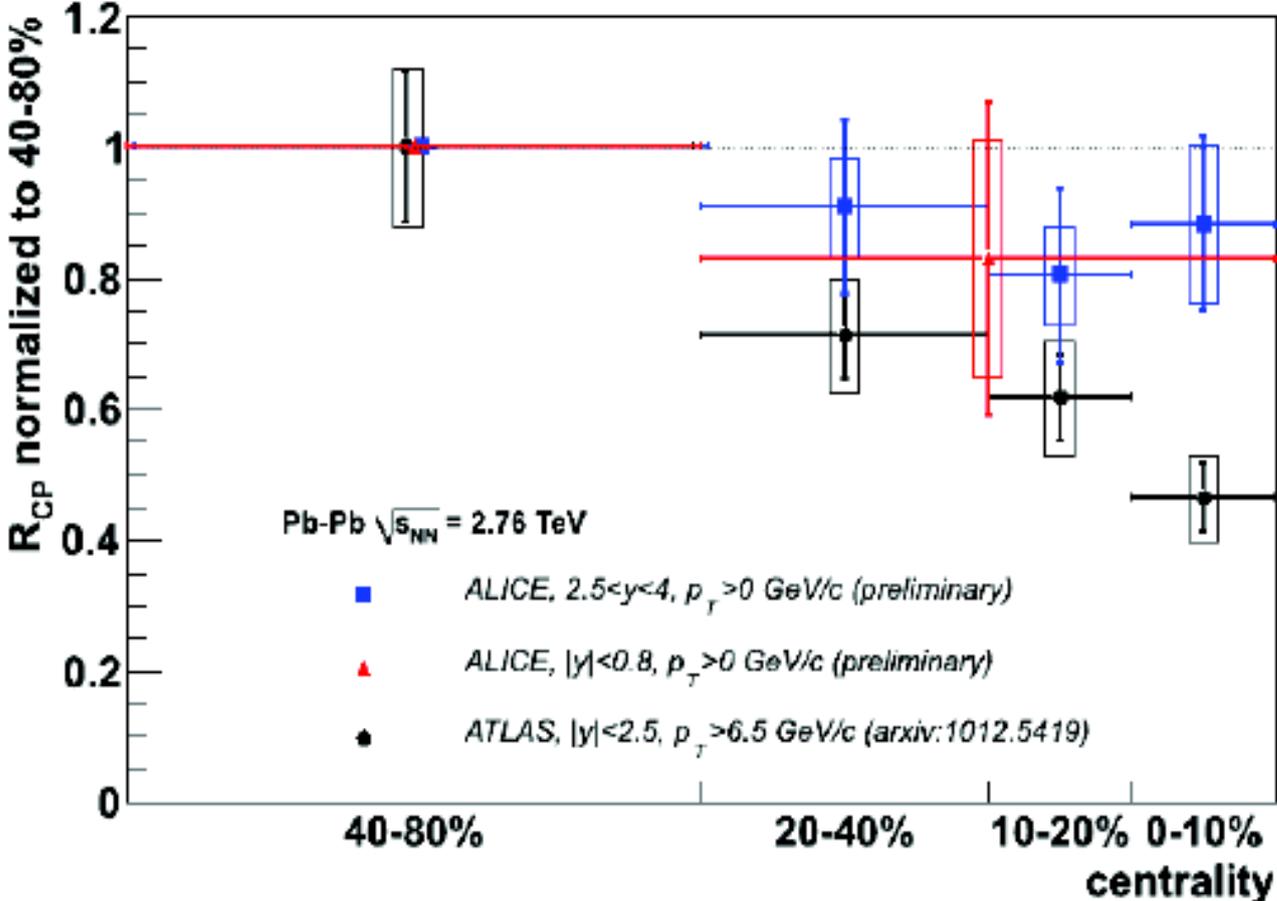
$R_{AA}$  increases as function of energy!

# centrality dependence via R\_CP



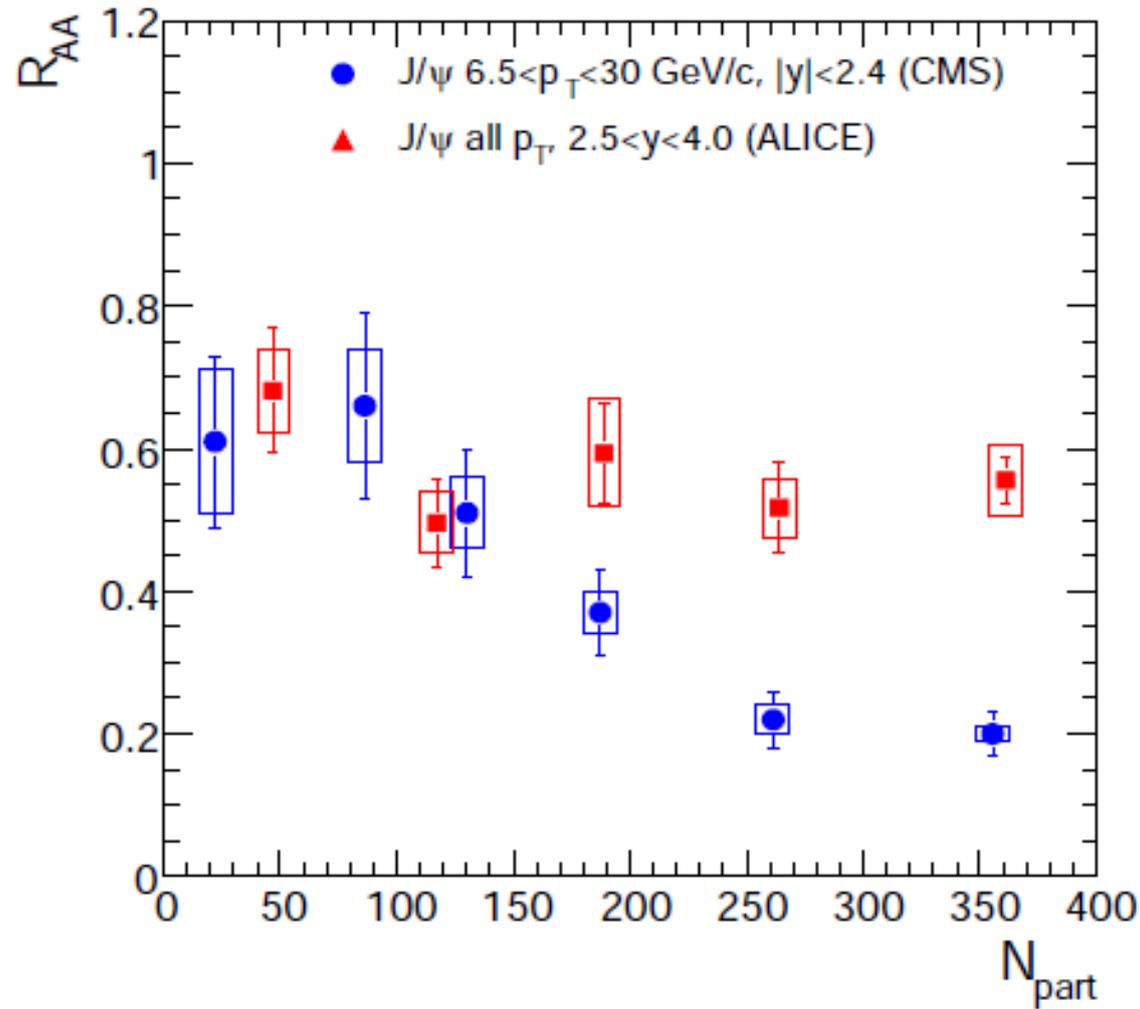
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# inclusion of first J/psi data at midrapidity



J/psi suppression increases with increasing pt

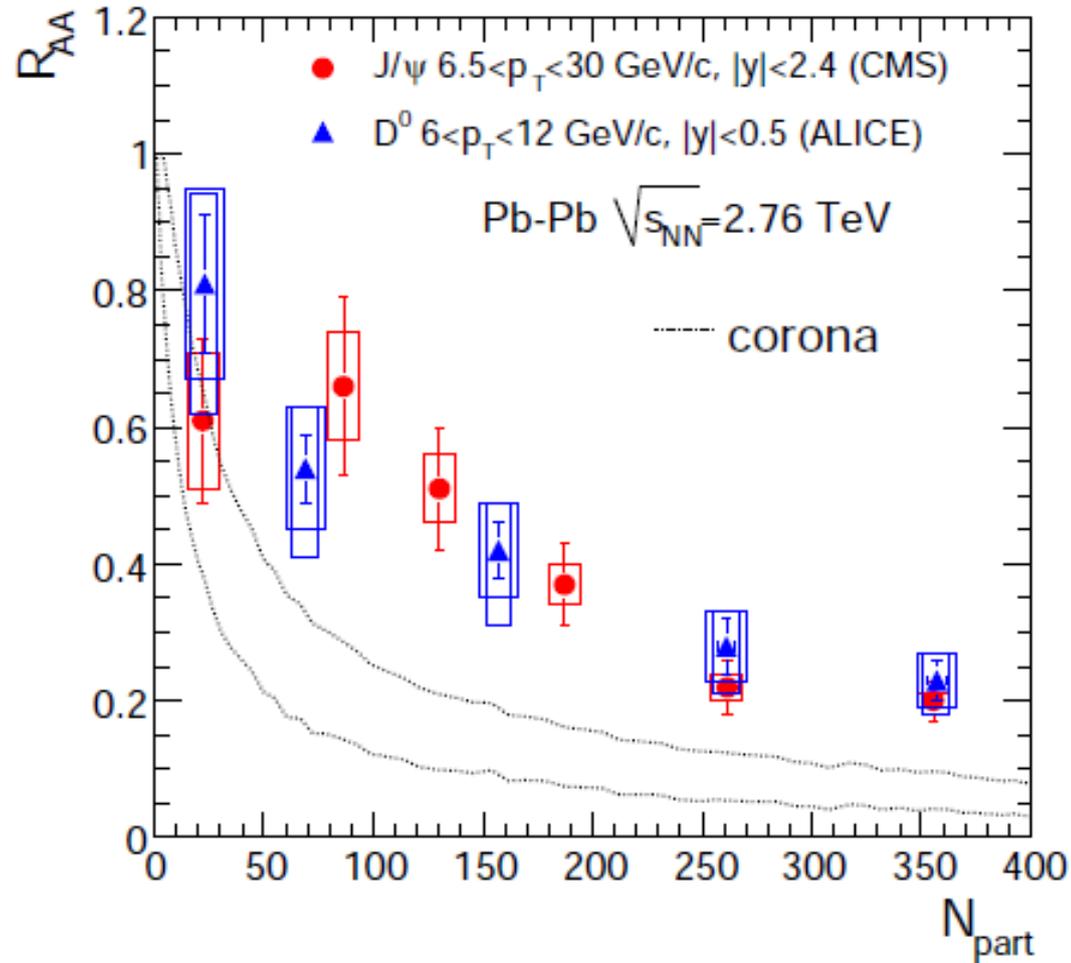
# Transverse momentum dependence



ALICE, arXiv:1202.1383

CMS, arXiv:1201.5069

# Comparison open and hidden charm at high transverse momentum

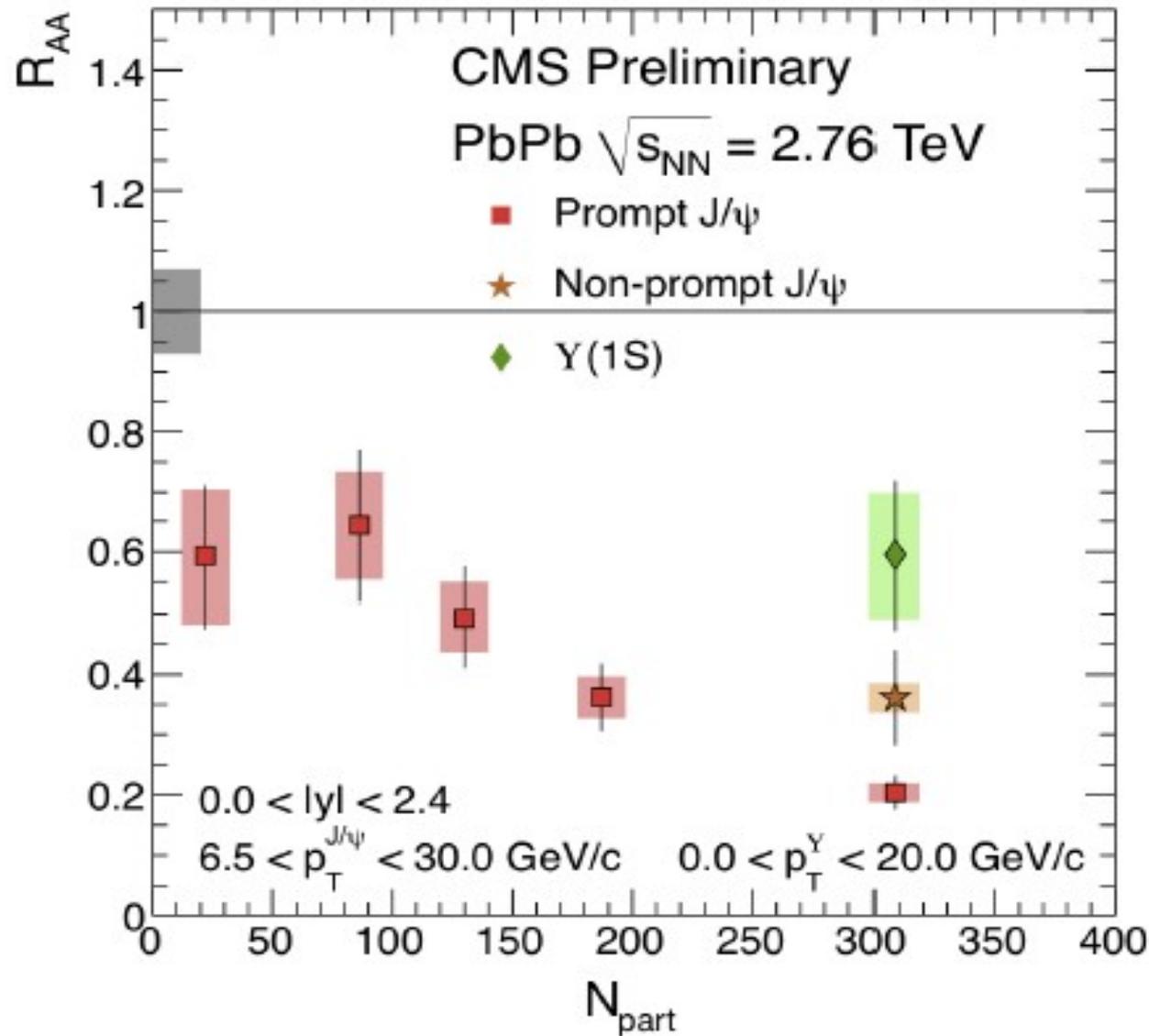


CMS, arXiv:1201.5069

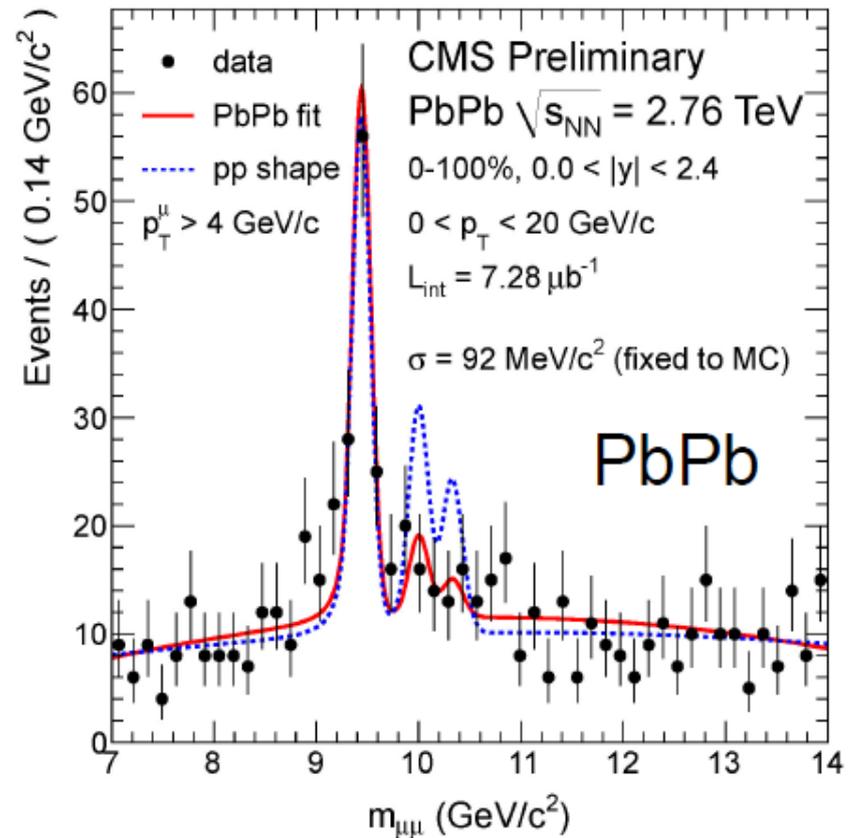
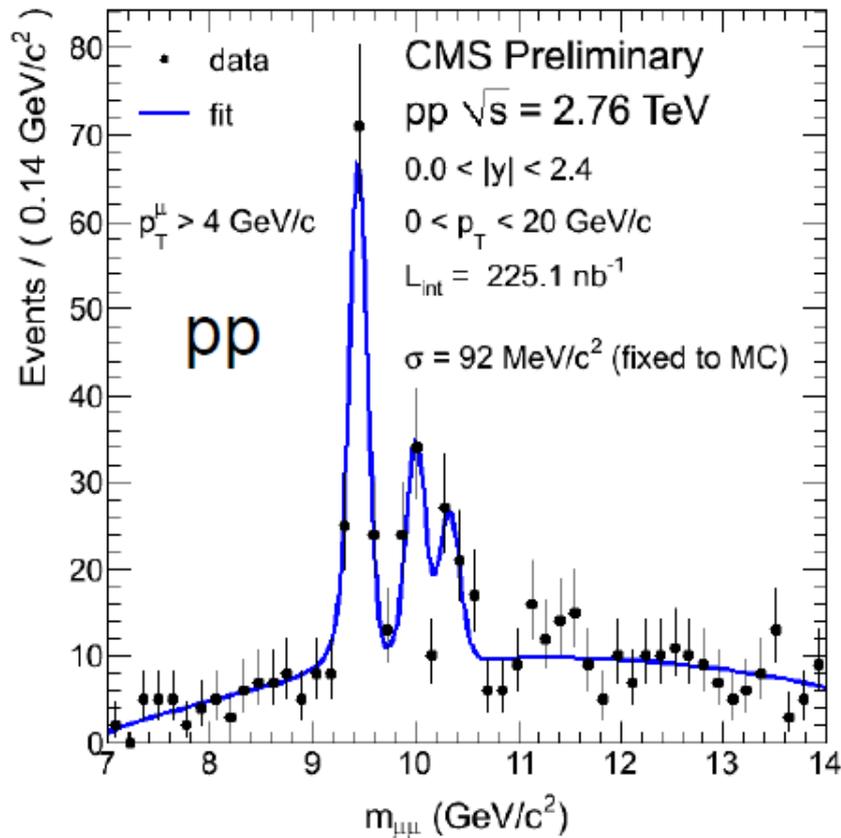
ALICE, arXiv:1203.2160

Suppression close to maximum possible

# Y and J/psi suppression – at high pt a consequence of heavy quark thermalization and energy loss



# excited states of $\Upsilon$ are significantly suppressed in PbPb collisions (CMS PRL 107 (2011) 052302)



$$\Upsilon(2S + 3S)/\Upsilon(1S) \Big|_{pp} = 0.78^{+0.16}_{-0.14} \pm 0.02$$

$$\Upsilon(2S + 3S)/\Upsilon(1S) \Big|_{PbPb} = 0.24^{+0.13}_{-0.12} \pm 0.02$$

result qualitatively consistent with predictions of statistical hadronization model

# a note on excited quarkonia and statistical hadronization

in the statistical hadronization model, the ratio  $R$  of excited/ground state is simply determined by a Boltzmann factor:

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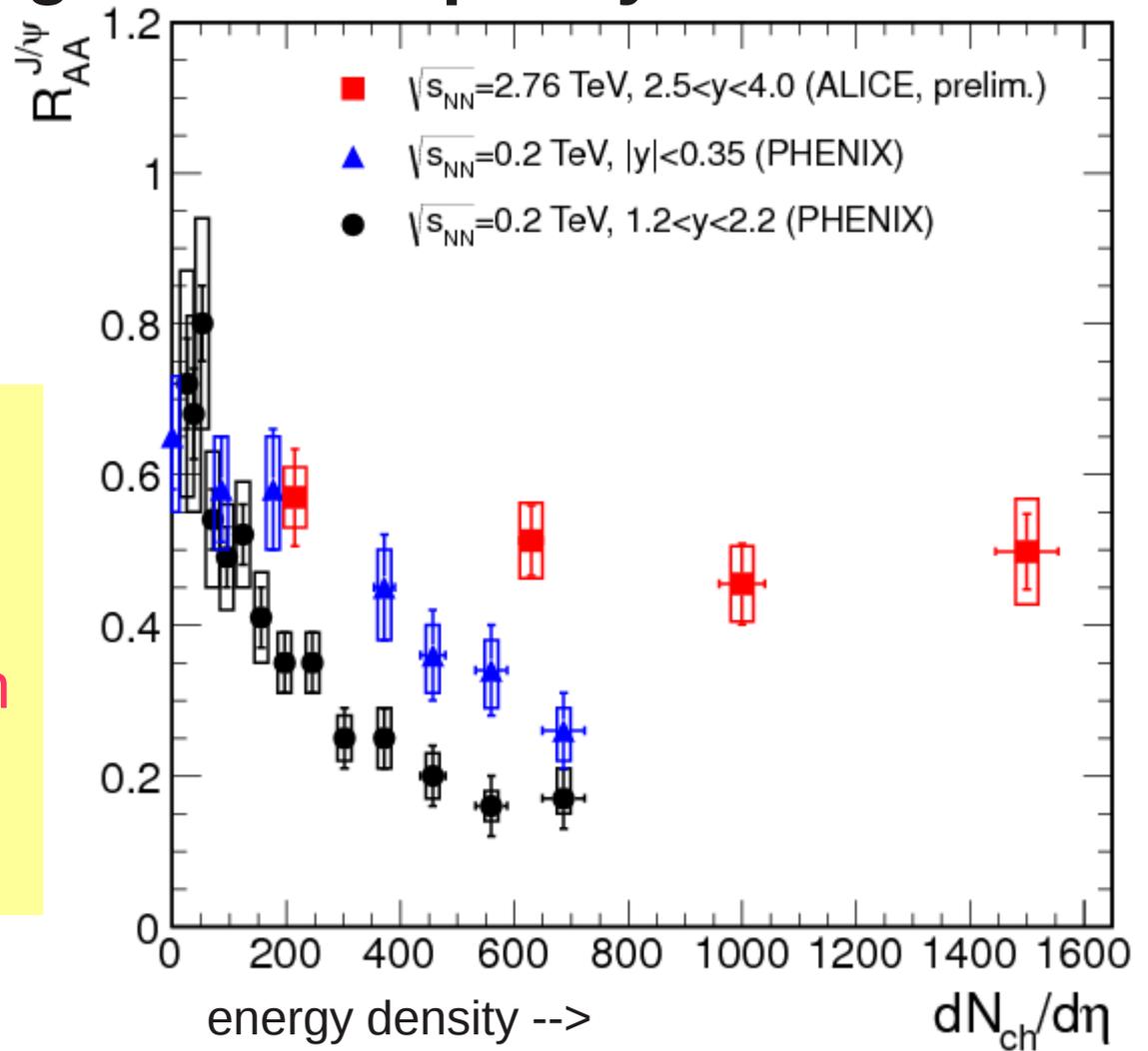
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this is consistent with the current CMS data

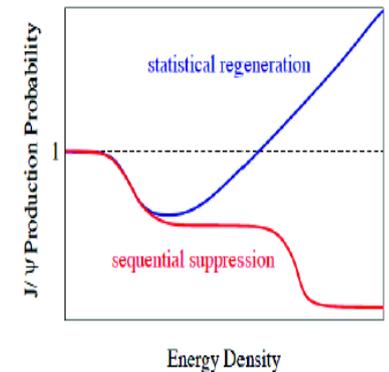
**back to J/psi data**

# scaling with multiplicity

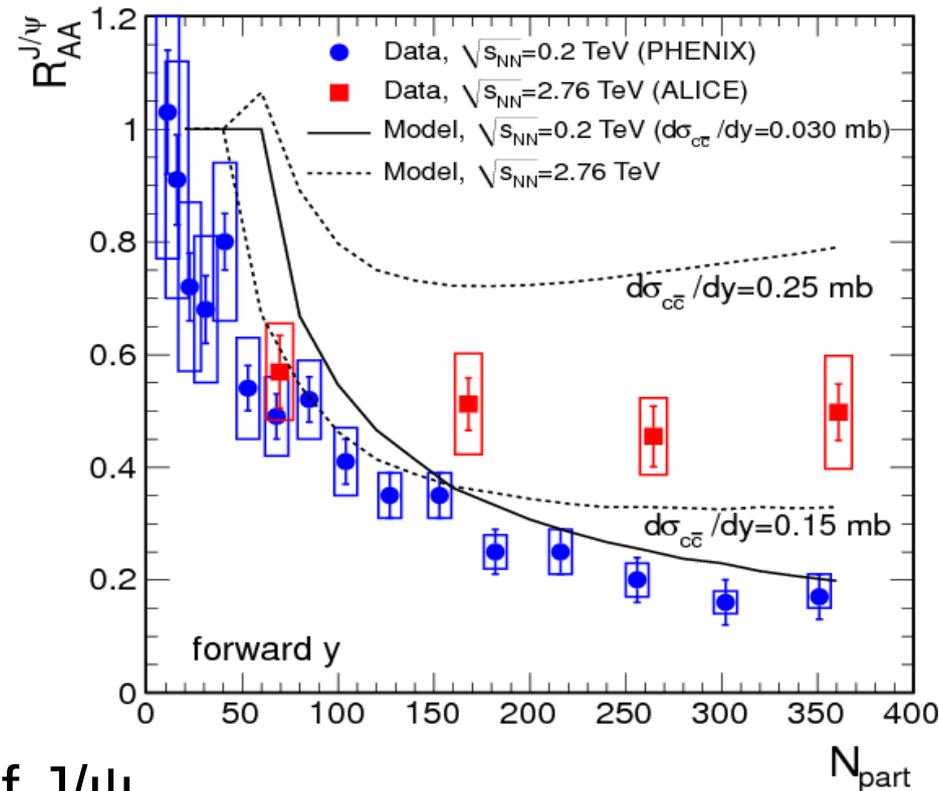
scaling is not observed!  
melting scenario is not in agreement with data



$N_{ch}$  is proportional to energy density  
→ enhancement with increasing energy density!



total c $\bar{c}$  cross section  
from 7 TeV pp and  
scaled to 2.76 TeV  
using data

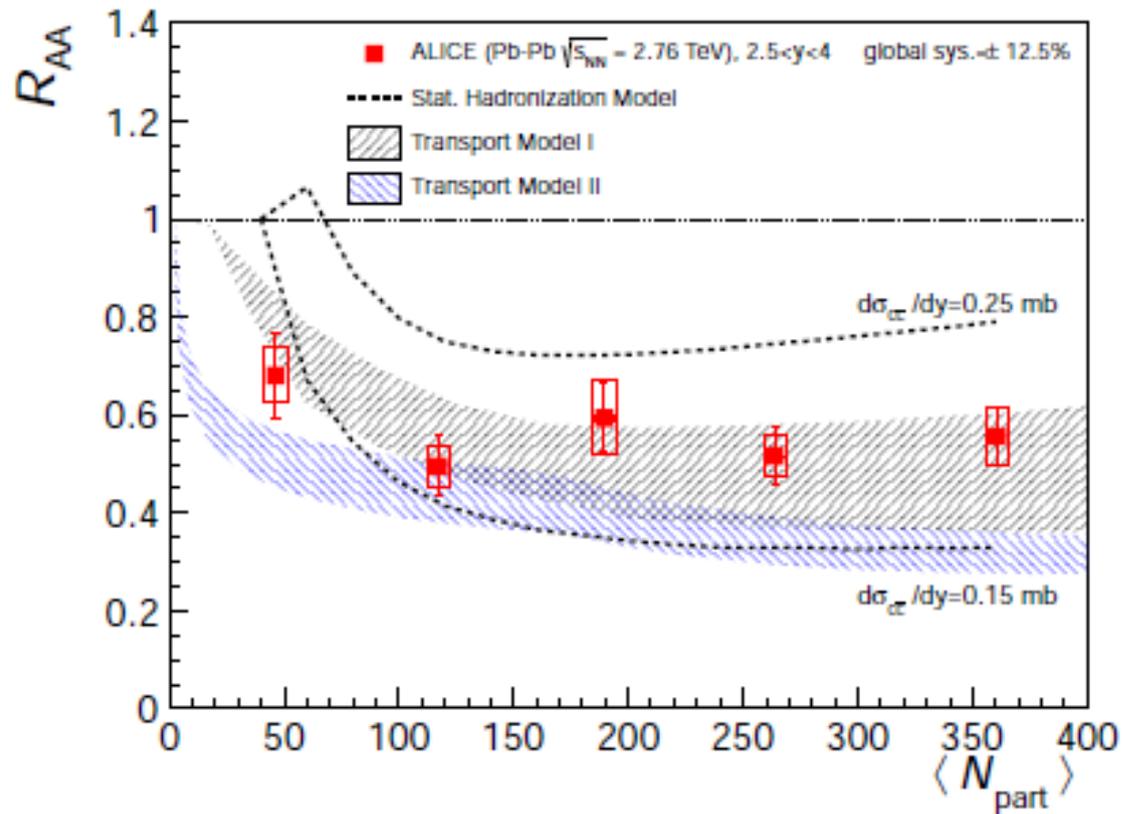


In AA collisions: indication of J/ $\psi$  regeneration

- Larger  $R_{AA}$  (at forward rapidity) at LHC compared to RHIC, a generic prediction of the statistical model (lines)
- The charm cross section needs experimental constraints (shadowing important at LHC)

trends in data as predicted with statistical hadronization scenario

# Various model predictions including (re-)generation and ALICE data

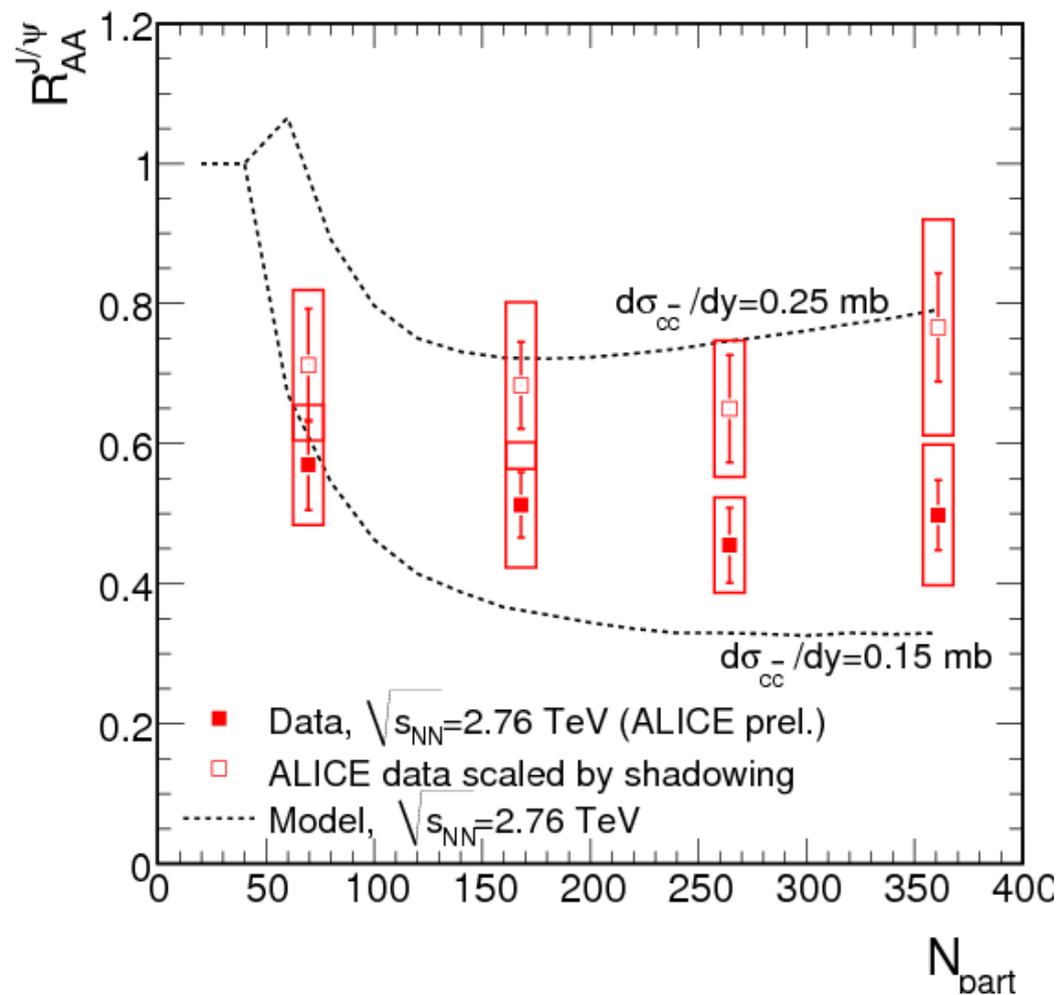
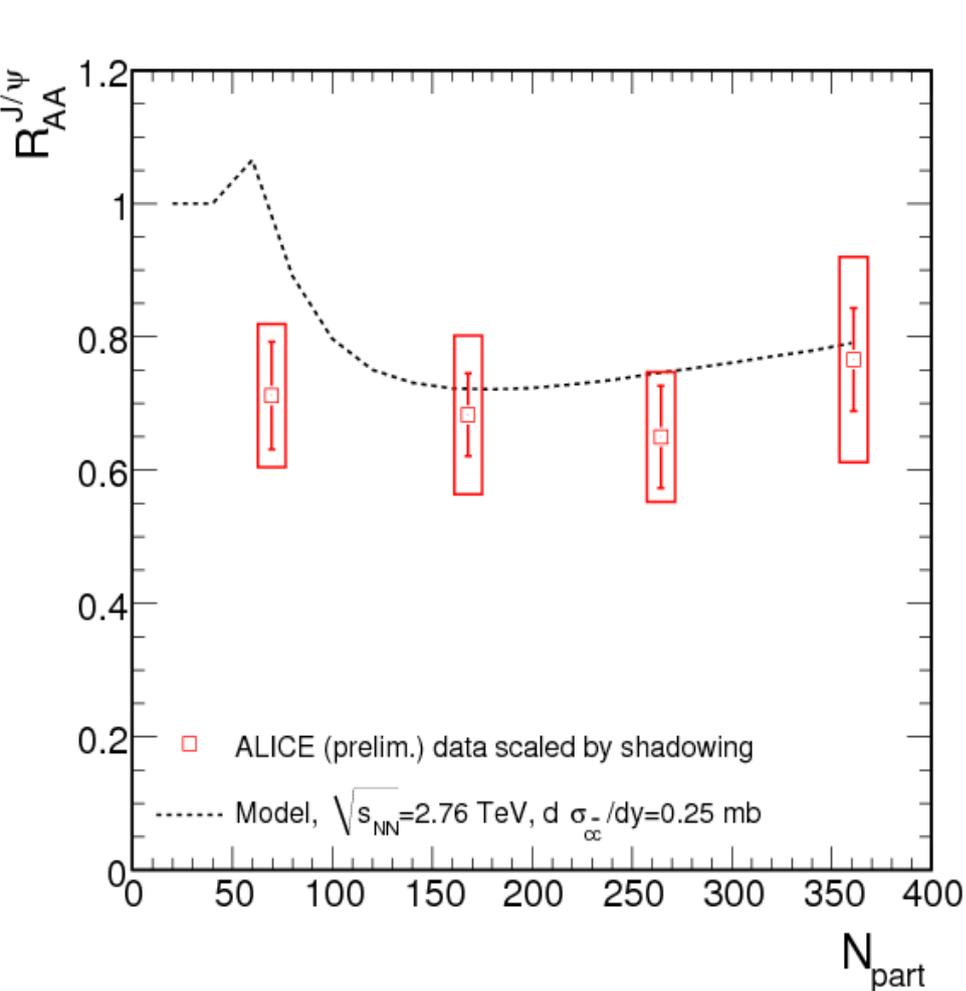


I: Zhao, Rapp, Nucl. Phys. A 859 (2011) 114 (2/3 from regener., central coll.)

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Stat. hadr. (thermal): Andronic et al., arXiv:1106.6321 (pure generation)

# if we knew shadowing...



First results from pPb run in late Fall 2012

# summary

- quarkonium production in PbPb collisions at LHC has to be seen in light of c and b quark suppression
- centrality and beam energy dependence of J/psi production is inconsistent with the scenario of (sequential) melting of charmonia in the QGP
- trends in J/psi and Y data are consistent with predictions from statistical hadronization model – generation of quarkonia at the phase boundary from deconfined heavy quarks
- quantitative understanding needs understanding of shadowing
  - need open charm cross section in PbPb collisions
  - need open charm and J/psi production in pPb collisions

2011 PbPb data are currently analyzed (10x more stat.)  
next experimental campaign with pPb should bring exciting and hopefully decisive results

# Comparison with EPS09 shadowing calcs

