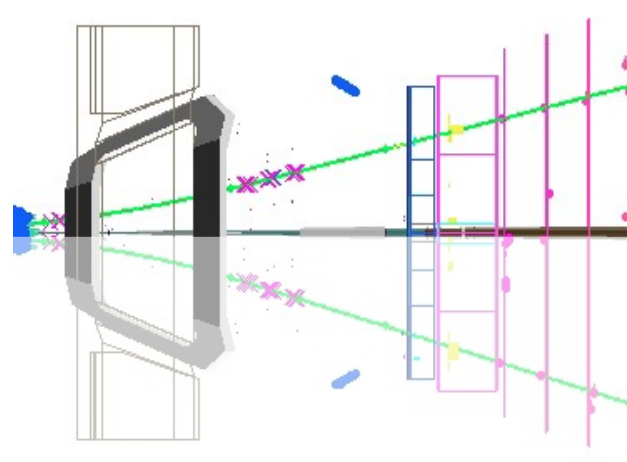




# QCD and electroweak measurements in the forward region at LHCb



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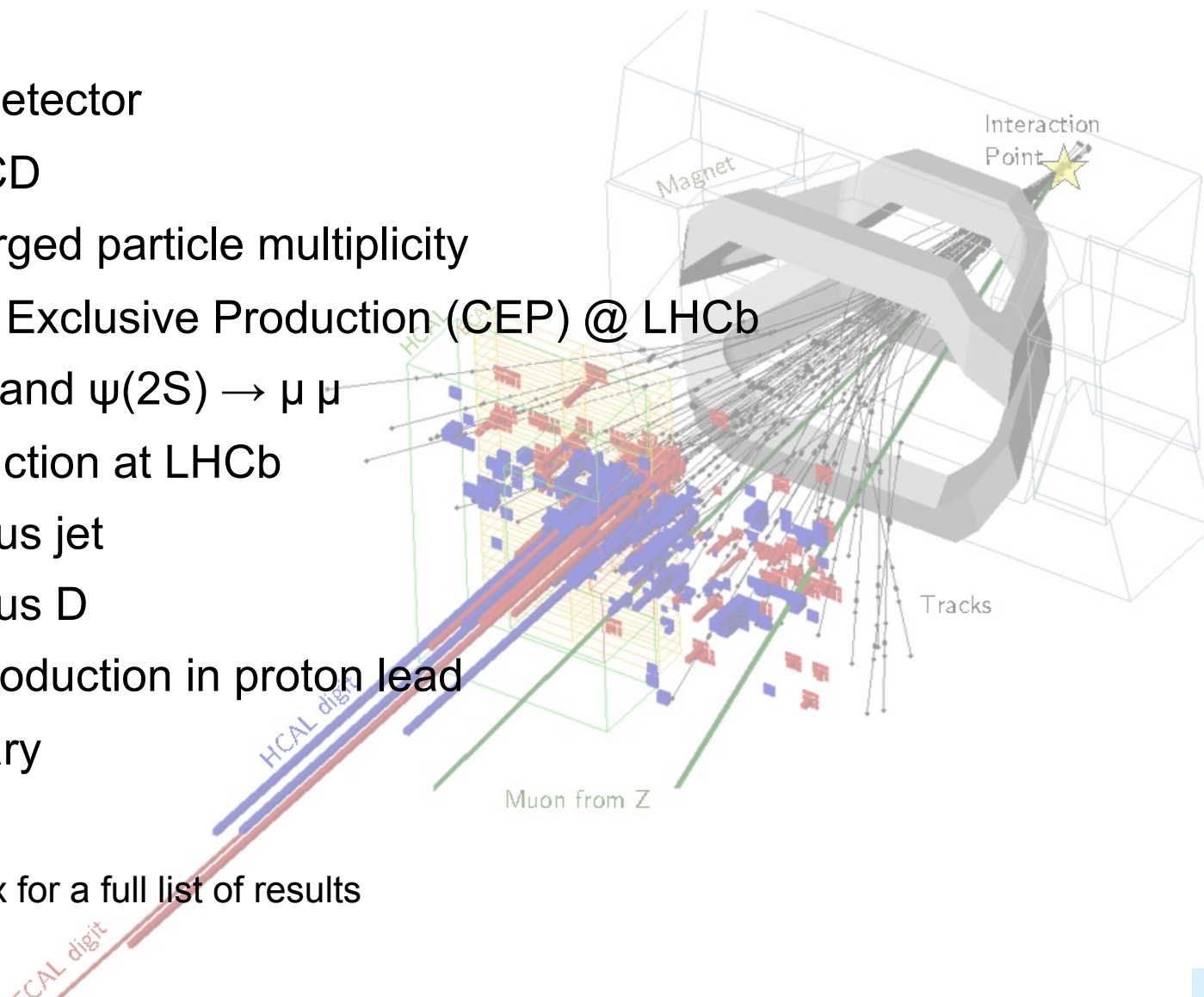


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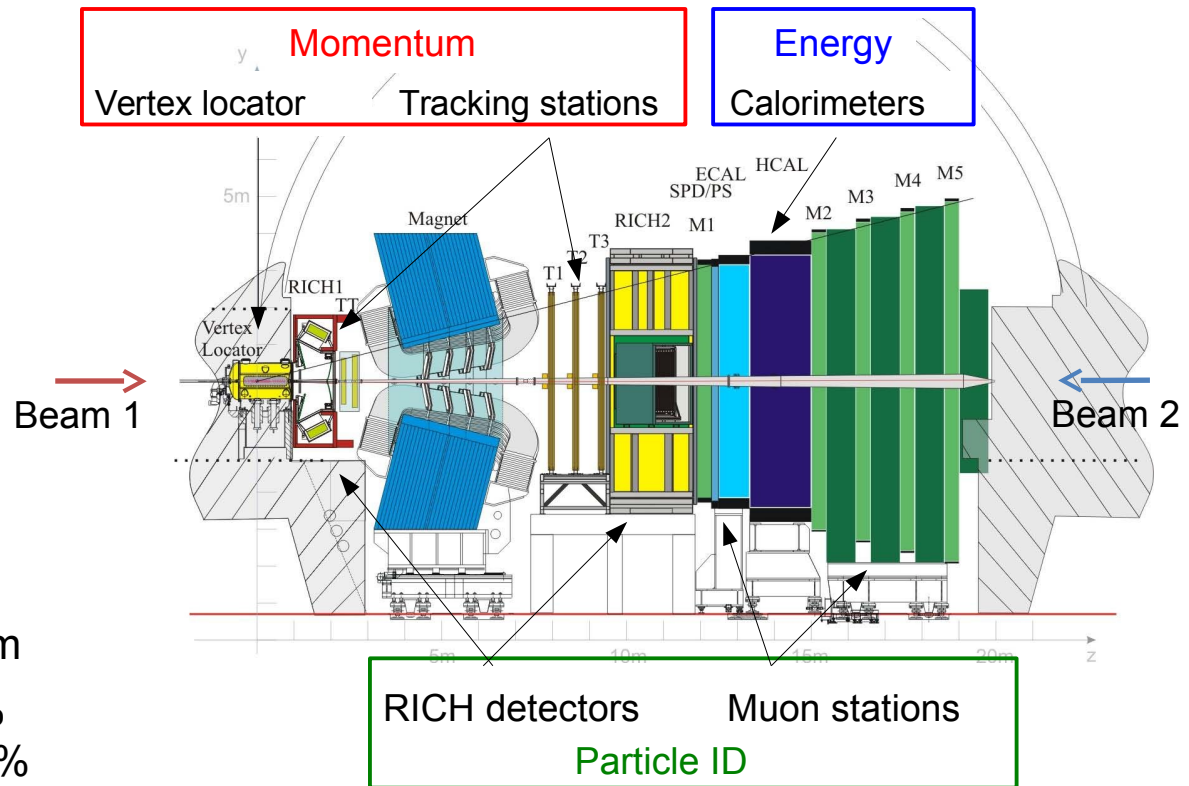
# Outline

- LHCb detector
- Soft QCD
  - charged particle multiplicity
- Central Exclusive Production (CEP) @ LHCb
  - $J/\psi$  and  $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- Z production at LHCb
  - Z plus jet
  - Z plus D
  - Z production in proton lead
- Summary



See appendix for a full list of results

Fully instrumented in the forward region ( $2 < \eta < 5$ )  
 some detection capability in backward region ( $-3.5 < \eta < -1.5$ )



- Tracking:  $\sigma_p/p \sim 0.4-0.6\%$
- Vertex resolution:  
 $\sigma_{xy} \sim 15\mu\text{m}, \sigma_z \sim 80\mu\text{m}$
- Muon ID  $\epsilon=97\%$ ; mis-id: 0.7%
- Kaon ID  $\epsilon=90\%$ ;  $\pi$  mis-id < 5%

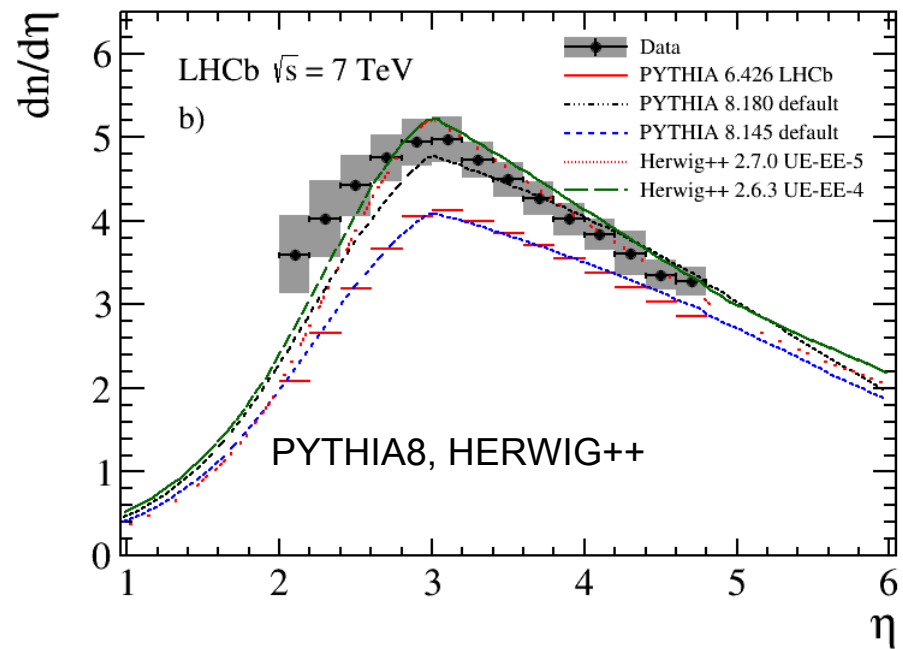
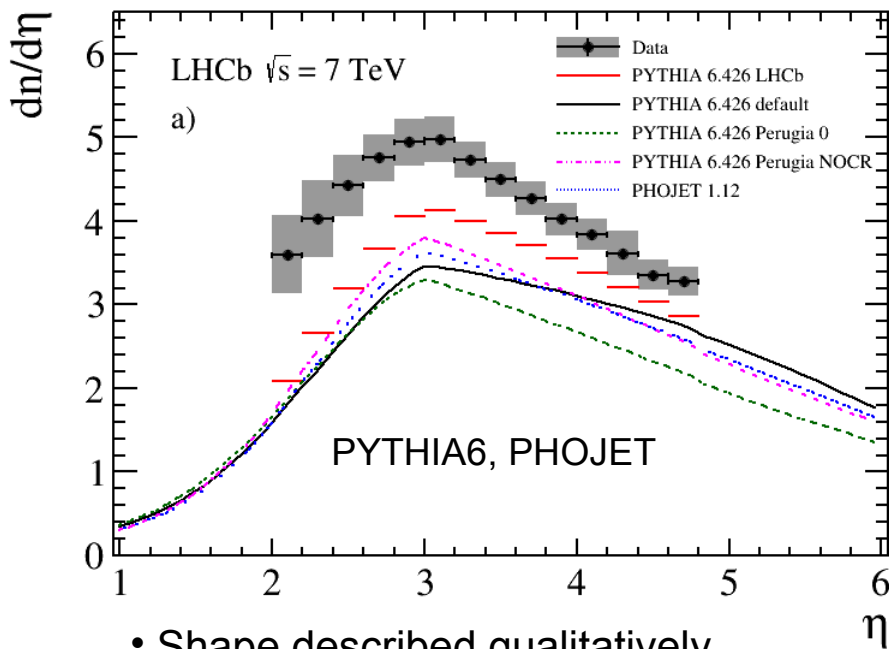
• Analyses based on

- 2010 @ 7 TeV low multiplicity runs: charged particle multiplicity
- 2011  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  @ 7 TeV: CEP, Z plus jet, Z plus D
- 2013 proton-lead runs  $2 \text{ nb}^{-1}$  @ 5 TeV: Z in proton lead

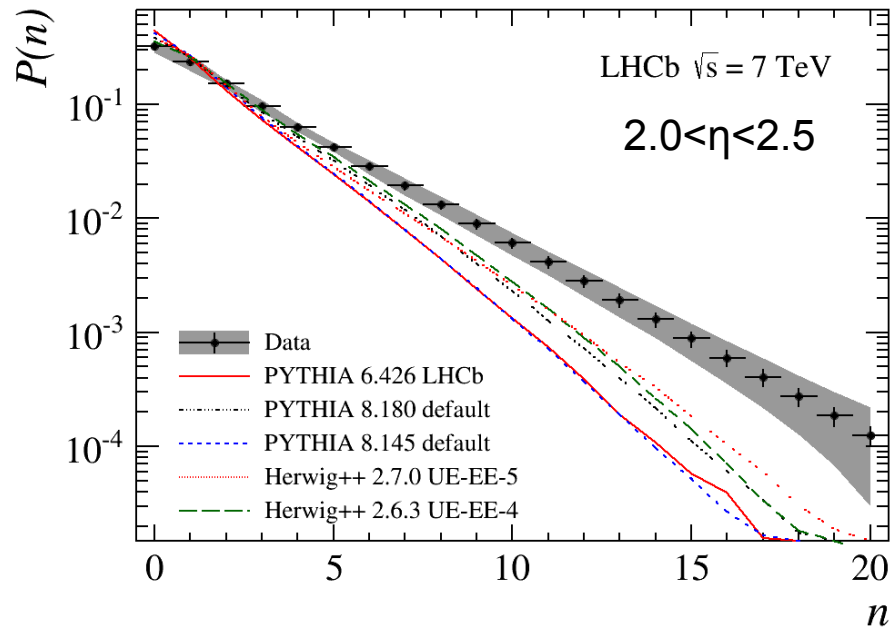
Tracks:  $p_T > 0.2$  GeV,  $p > 2$  GeV,  $2.0 < \eta < 4.8$ 

supersedes Eur. Phys. J. C 72 (2012) 1947: now measurement of momentum  
 minimum bias sample at  $\sqrt{s}=7$  TeV (2010), low multiplicity run  
 low pile-up contribution:  $< 4\%$   
 systematic uncertainties 1-10%, dead material description dominant

Charged particle density as a function of  $\eta$



- Shape described qualitatively
- PYTHIA 6 and PHOJET (not tuned to LHC) underestimate particle density
- PYTHIA 8.180 (tuned to LHC) and HERWIG++ give best description

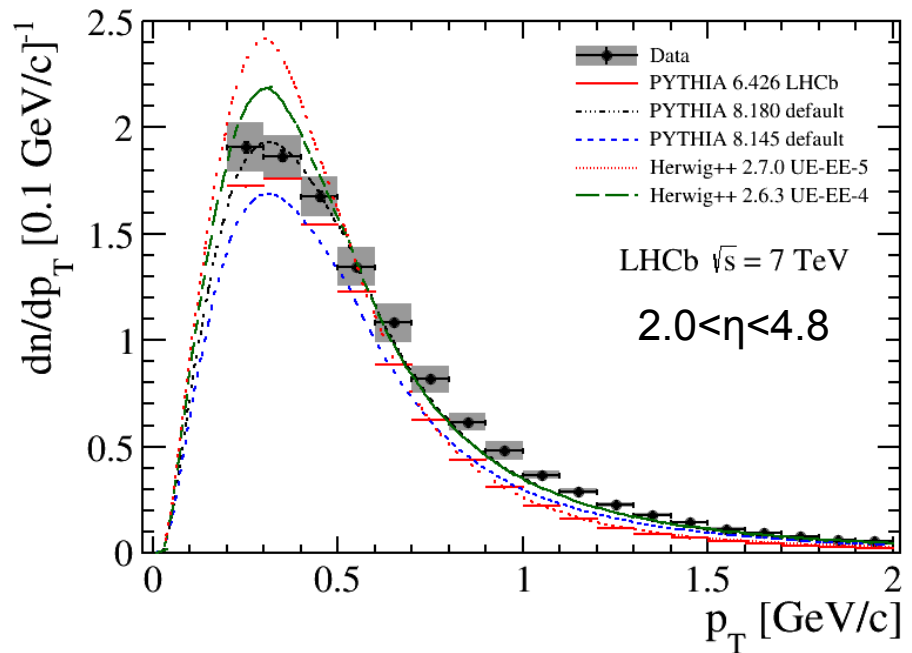


## Charged particle multiplicity

- in bins of  $p_T$  and  $\eta$
- models underestimate at low  $\eta$  and  $p_T$  (see backup)
- models tuned to central LHC data, are in better agreement (HERWIG++, PYTHIA8)

## Charged particle density vs $p_T$

- PYTHIA6: too low
- good description by PYTHIA 8.180
- HERWIG++ problems describing shape: over(under)shoots at low (high)  $p_T$
- none of the models describes all aspects  
→ valuable input for tuning



# Central exclusive production (CEP) of $J/\psi$ and $\psi(2S)$

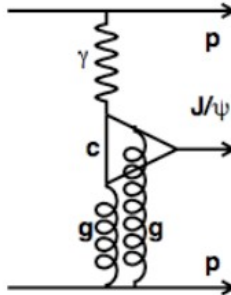
Exchange of a colourless object:  $\gamma, \eta$

→ two muons + rapidity gaps

→ protons undetected

Bjorken  $x$  down to  $\sim 5 \cdot 10^{-6}$

→ sensitive to gluon PDF and saturation effects

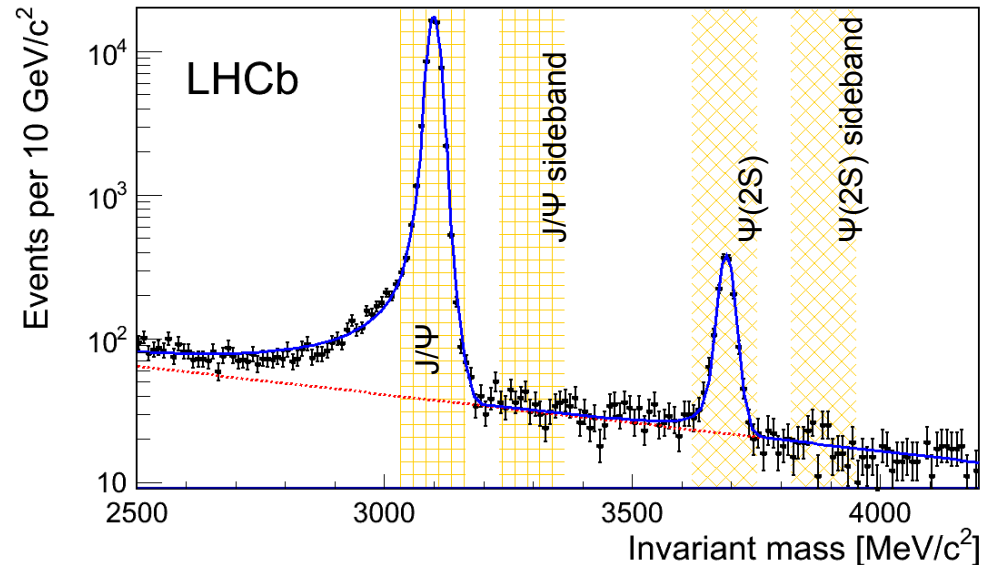


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## Selection

- event with one interaction: 24% of total luminosity
- precisely two forward muons
- no backward tracks
- no photons
- $p_T^2(\mu\mu) < 0.8 \text{ GeV}^2$
- $M(\mu\mu)$  within 65 MeV of nominal mass

→ 55985  $J/\psi$  and 1565  $\psi(2s)$  candidates

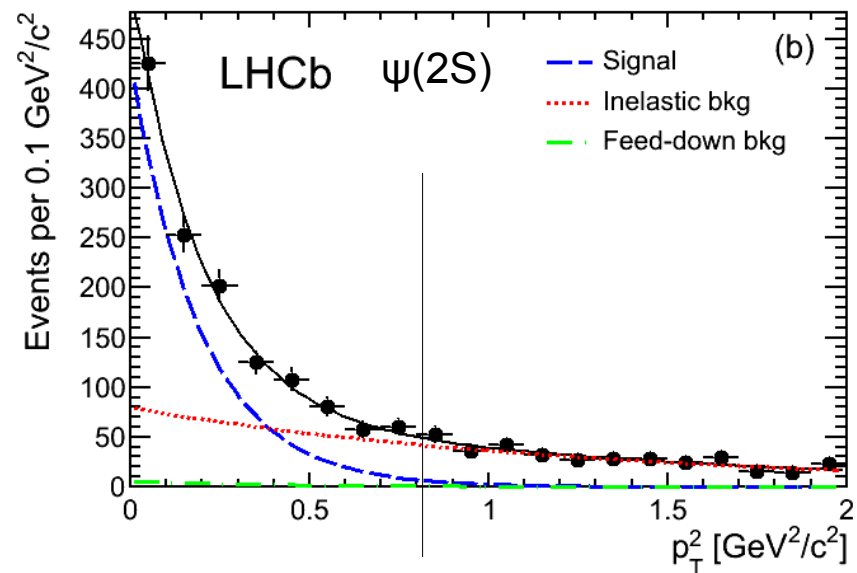
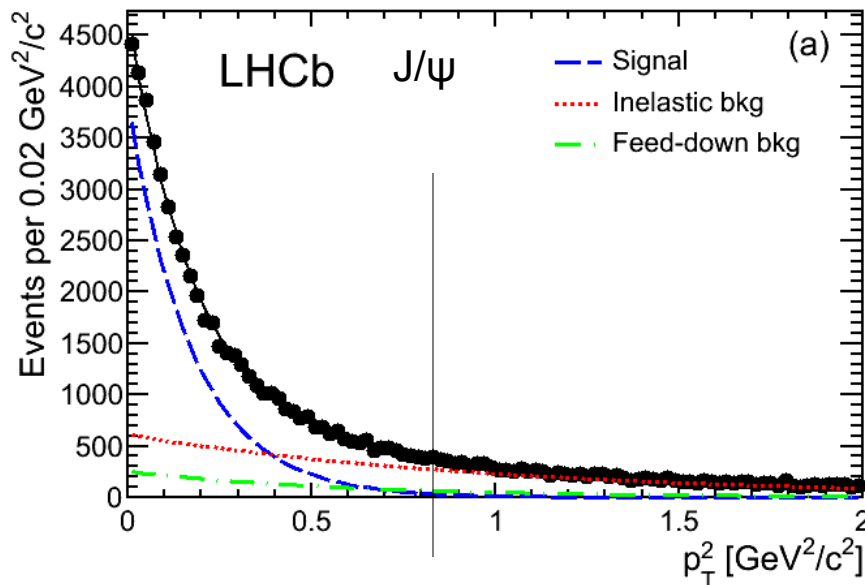
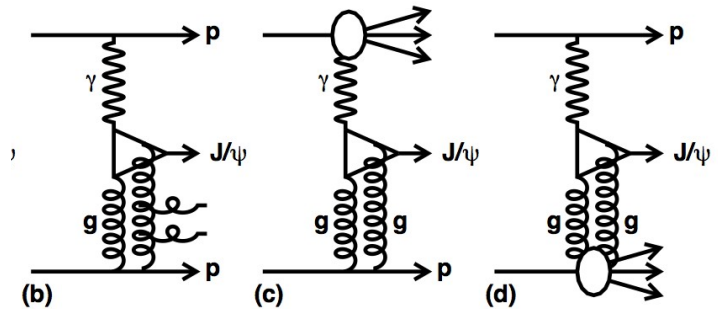


## Backgrounds

- non resonant: small ( $0.8 \pm 0.1\%$ ) for  $J/\psi$  and ( $17.0 \pm 0.3\%$ )  $\psi(2s)$
- feed down:  $J/\psi$ : ( $7.6 \pm 0.9\%$ ) from  $\chi_c$  and ( $2.5 \pm 0.2\%$ ) from  $\psi(2s)$   
 $\psi(2s)$ : ( $2.0 \pm 2.0\%$ ) from  $X(3872)$
- dominant: inelastic background with extra particles out of LHCb acceptance

Proton dissociation or gluon radiation  
 → estimated from data: fit  $p_T^2$  distribution

- Signal and inelastic background: exponential
- Feed-down: shape from data  $\chi_c \rightarrow J/\psi\gamma$  and  $\psi(2S) \rightarrow J/\psi\pi\pi$
- Fit slope and normalization of signal and background slope agrees well with expectation from HERA



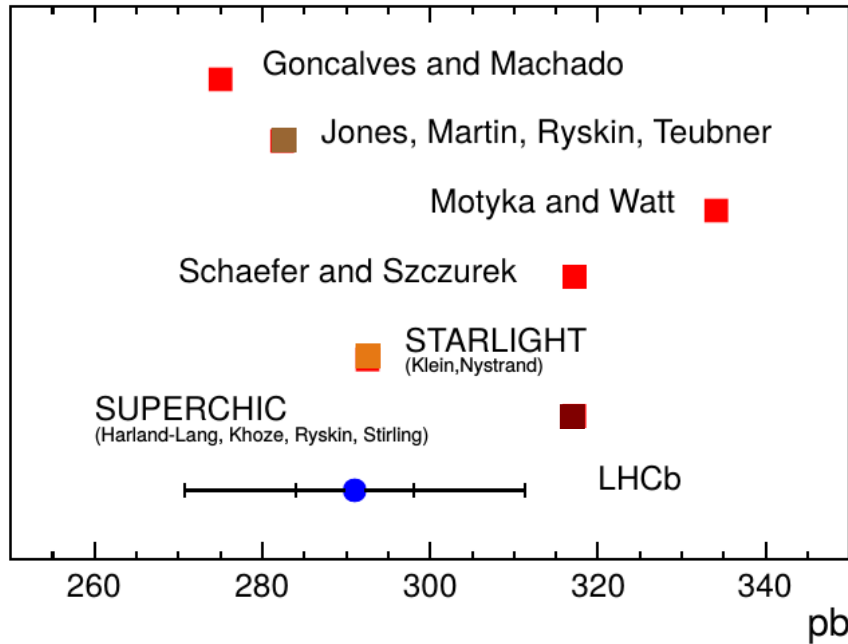
Purity  $p_T^2 < 0.8 \text{ GeV}^2$ :  $0.59 \pm 0.01$  for  $J/\psi$  and  $0.52 \pm 0.07$  for  $\psi(2S)$



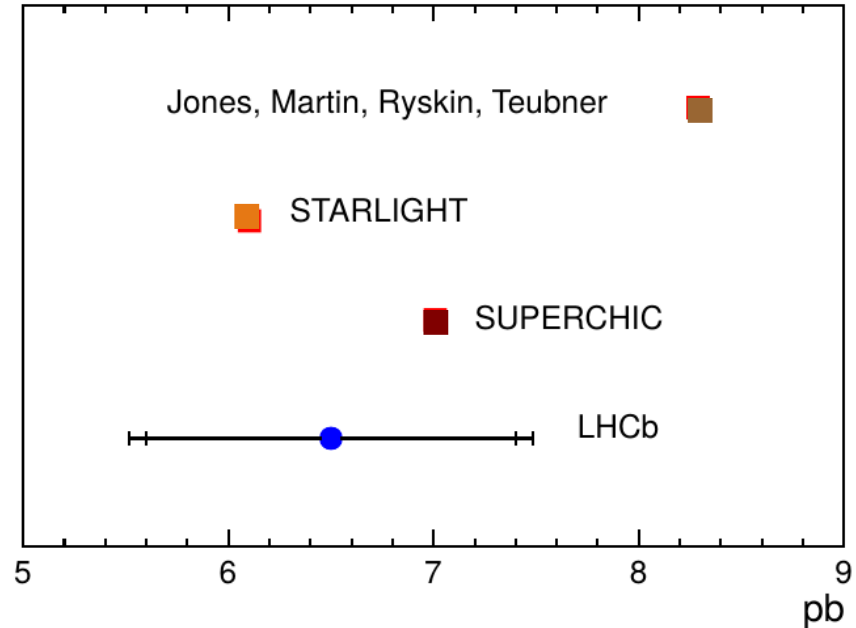


# CEP: cross-section

### J/ψ



### ψ(2S)



Cross section times BF to two muons with  $2.0 < \eta < 4.5$

$\sigma(J/\psi) = 291 \pm 7(\text{stat}) \pm 19(\text{syst}) \text{ pb}$

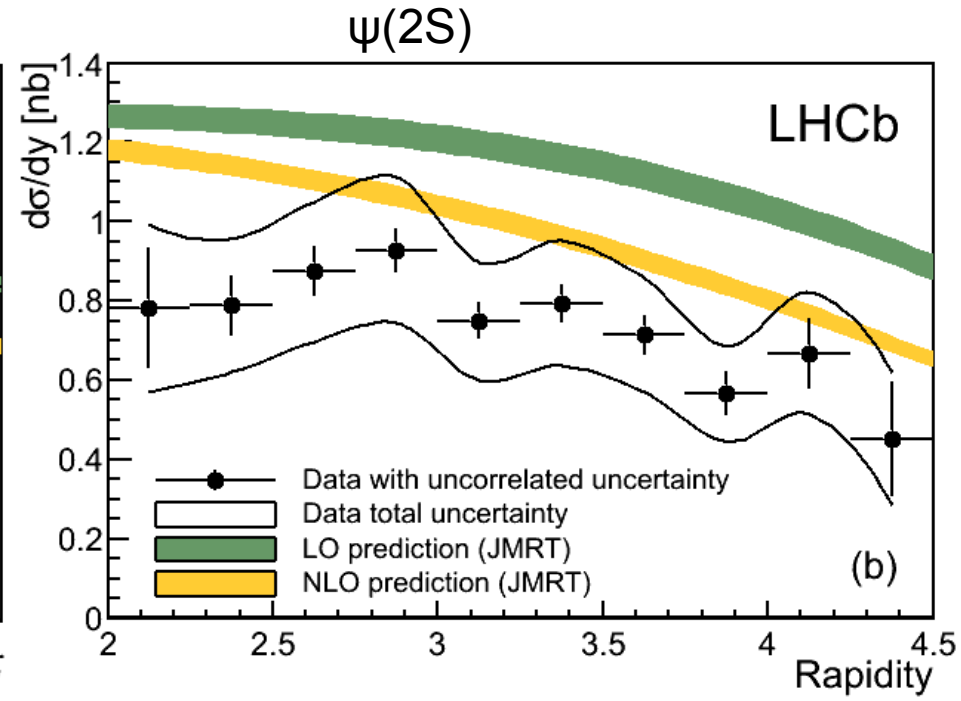
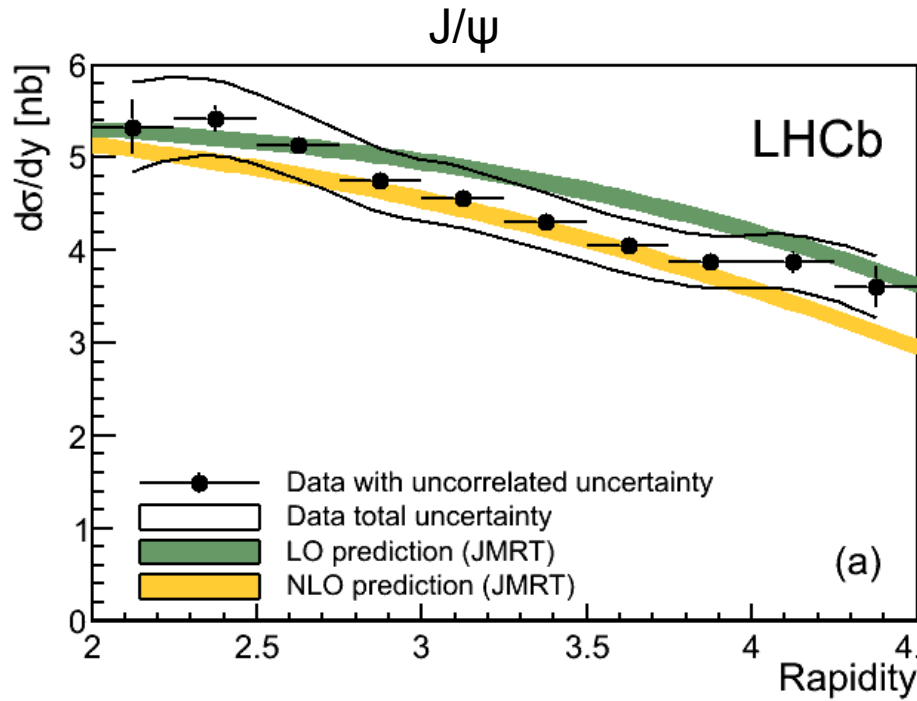
$\sigma(\psi(2S)) = 6.5 \pm 0.9(\text{stat}) \pm 0.4(\text{syst}) \text{ pb}$

in good agreement with predictions

G&M: Phys. Rev. C84 (2011) 011902  
 JRMT: JHEP 1311 (2013) 085  
 M&W:Phys. Rev. D78 (2008) 014023  
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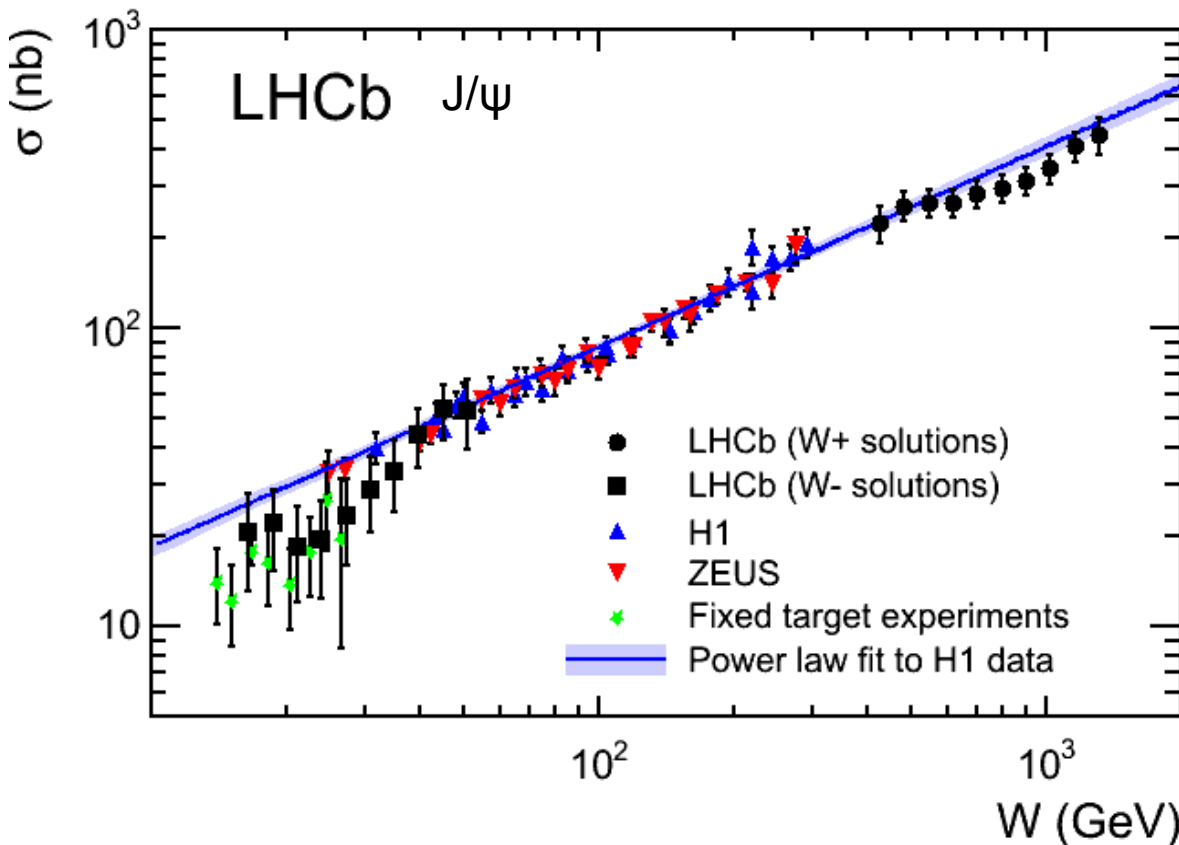


- Prediction from Jones, Martin, Ryskin and Teubner arXiv:1307.7099
- Shape better described by NLO prediction
- Also well described by saturation model predictions (arXiv:1305.4611, PhysRevD.78.014023) (→ backup)

Compare to HERA  $\gamma p$  data using known photon flux for a photon (energy  $k$ )

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy_{pp \rightarrow pVp}} \stackrel{\text{measured}}{=} r(y) \left[ k_+ \frac{dn}{dk_+} \overbrace{\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow Vp}(W^+)}^{\text{extracted}} + k_- \frac{dn}{dk_-} \overbrace{\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow Vp}(W^-)}^{\text{extracted}} \right]$$

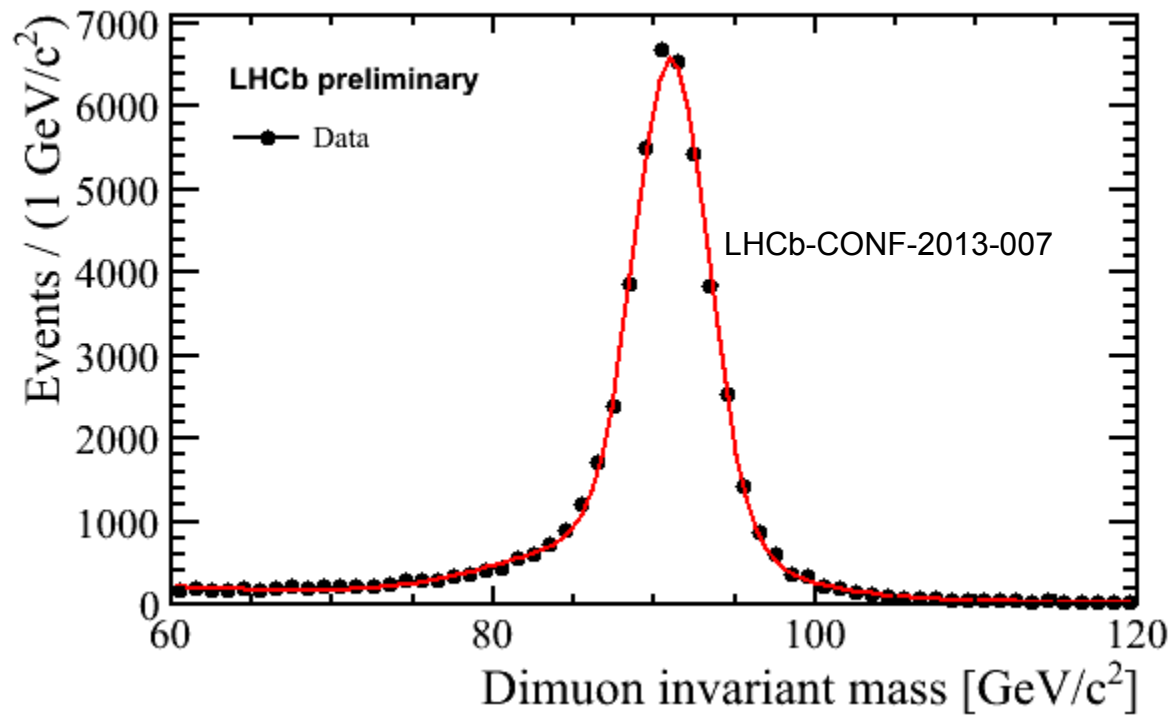
gap survival
photon flux



→ two correlated points for each measurement ( $W^+$ ,  $W^-$ ) in  $y$

Deviation from power law:  
 - higher order  
 - saturation effects

## Measurements with Z bosons



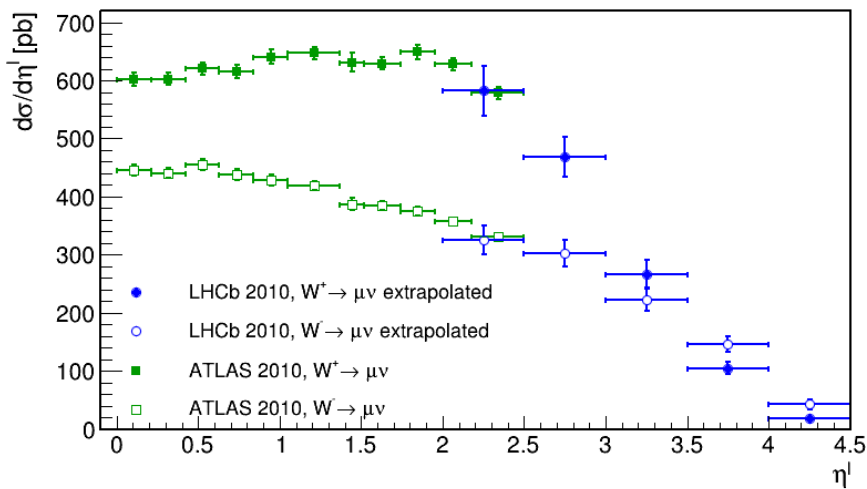
# Measurements with electroweak bosons

LHCb probes two distinct regions in  $x$ - $Q^2$ :  $x_{1,2} = (Q/\sqrt{s}) e^{\pm y}$

## Unique region at low $x$

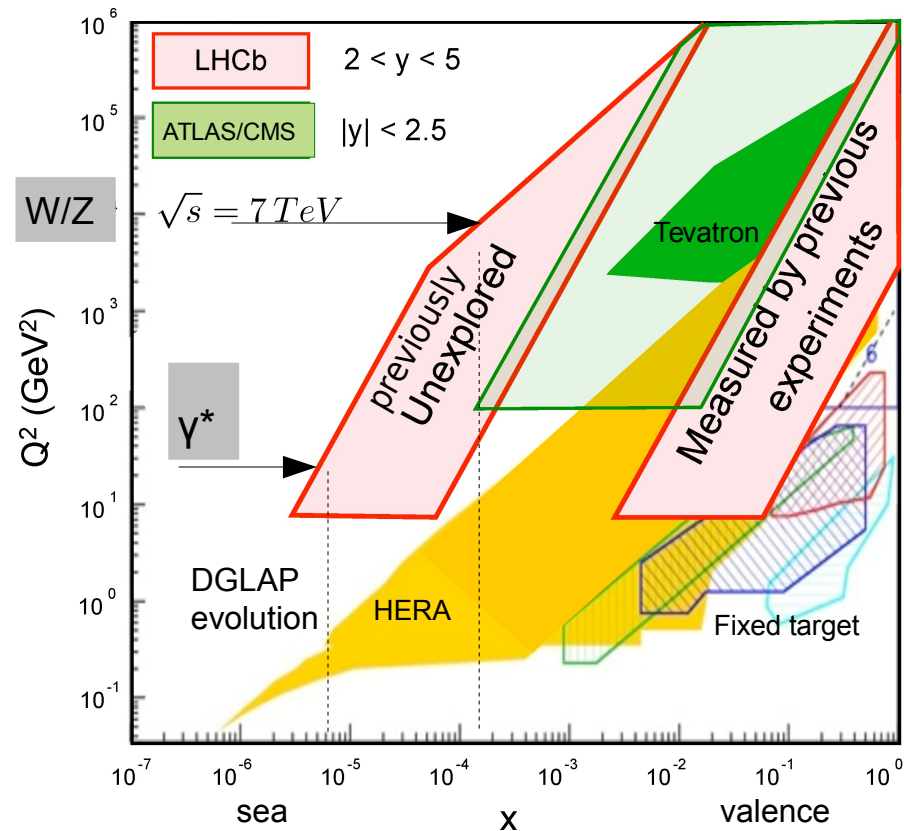
- W, Z production:  $x = 1.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$
- complementary to ATLAS/CMS

LHCb-CONF-2013-005



## Z → μμ selection

- muons:  $p_T > 20$  GeV,  $2 < \eta < 4.5$
- mass:  $60 < M(\mu\mu) < 110$  GeV<sup>2</sup>
- background  $< 0.3\%$

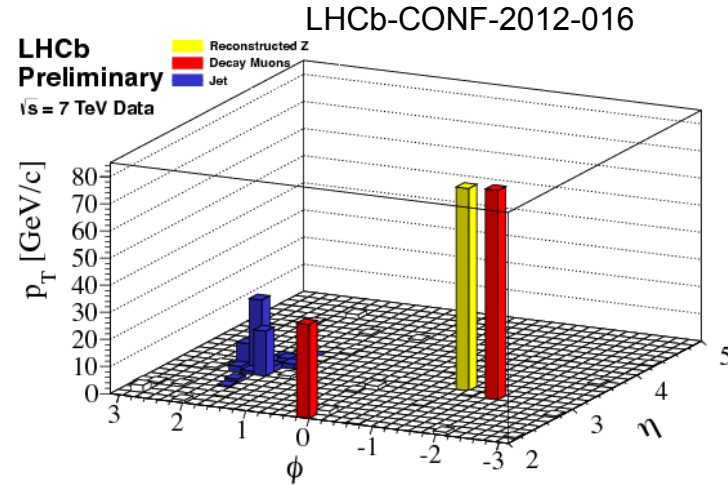
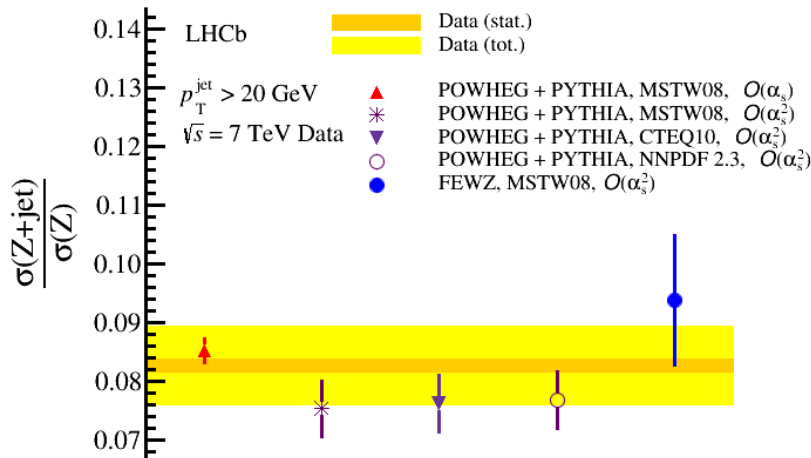


Jets: anti-kT (R=0.5),  $2 < \eta < 4.5$ ,  $p_T > 10$  (20 GeV),  $\Delta r(\text{jet}, \mu) > 0.4$

Dominant uncertainties: jet energy scale and resolution, jet reconstruction efficiency

$p_{T(\text{jet})} > 10$  GeV:  $\sigma = 16.0 \pm 0.2(\text{stat}) \pm 1.2(\text{syst}) \pm 0.6(\text{lumi})$  pb

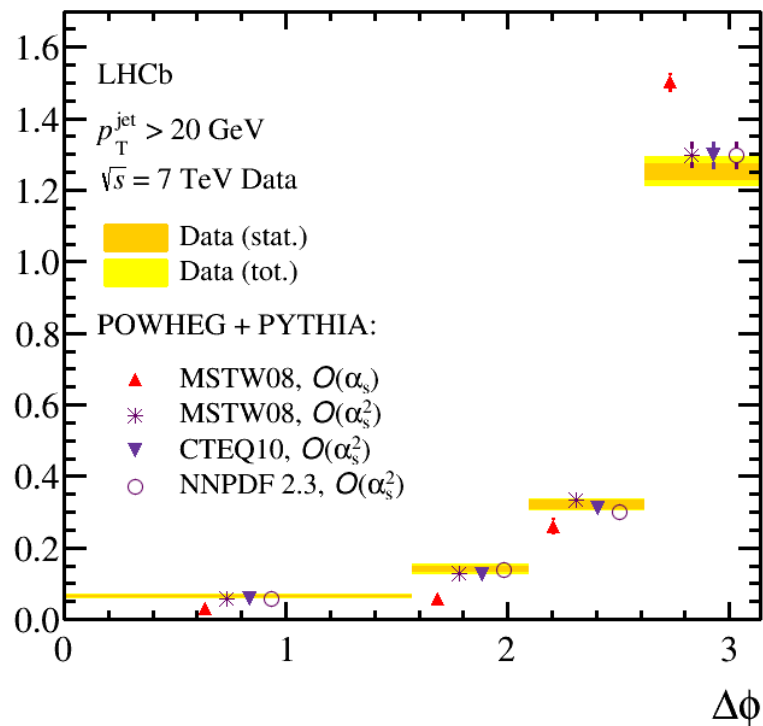
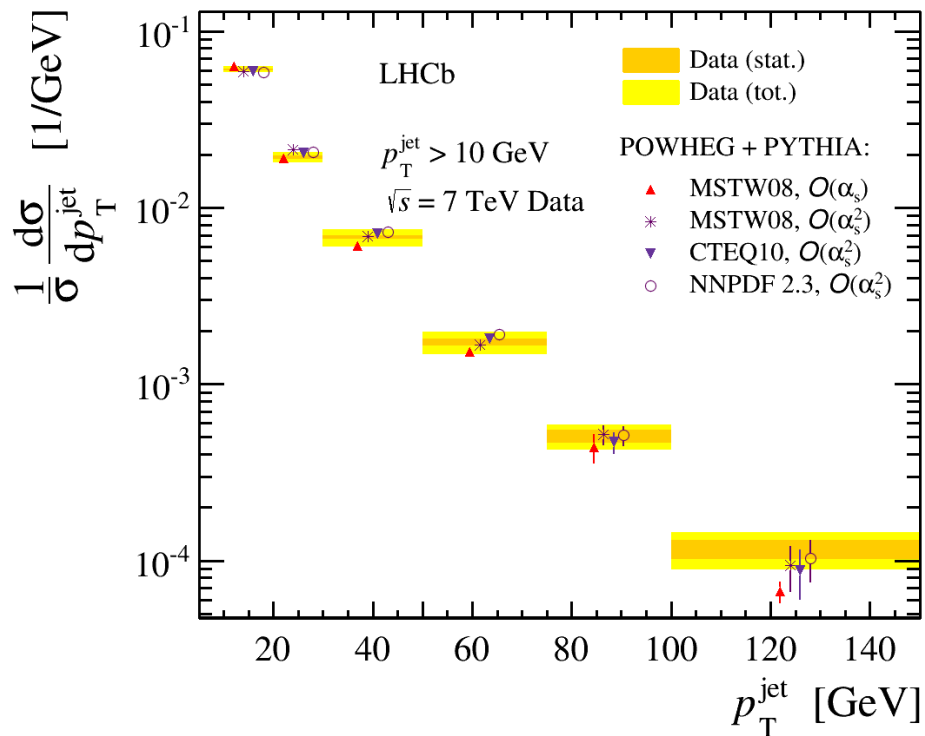
$p_{T(\text{jet})} > 20$  GeV:  $\sigma = 6.3 \pm 0.1(\text{stat}) \pm 0.5(\text{syst}) \pm 0.2(\text{lumi})$  pb



Predictions:

POWHEG+PYTHIA at  $O(\alpha_s)$  and  $O(\alpha_s^2)$  and different PDF sets

FEWZ  $O(\alpha_s^2)$  not corrected for hadronisation and underlying event



Shapes well described by NLO predictions

LO fails to describe  $\Delta\phi(\text{Z},\text{jet})$

Yields information on charm PDF and charm production mechanisms  
 Contribution from single-(SPS) and double-parton scattering (DPS)

## Selection

standard Z selection

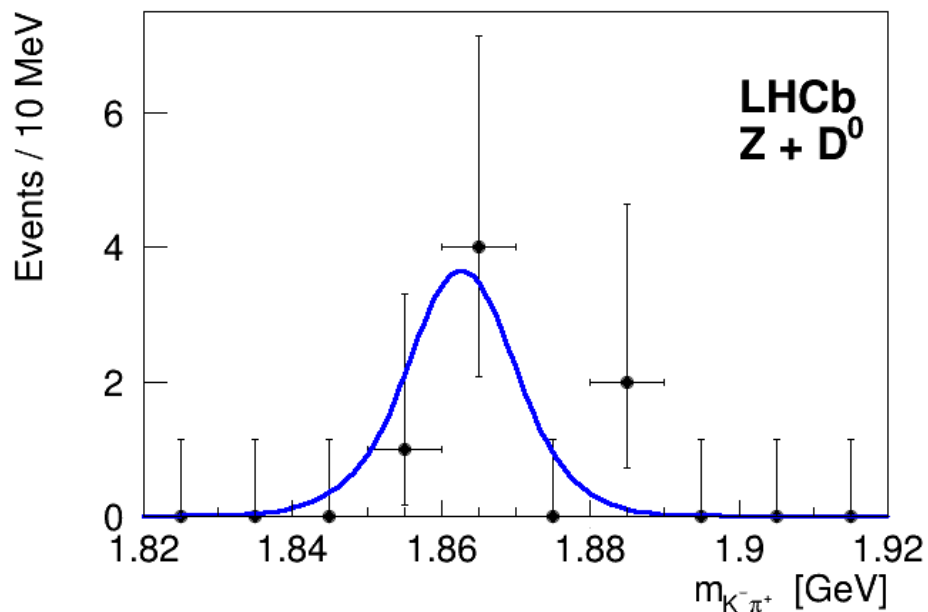
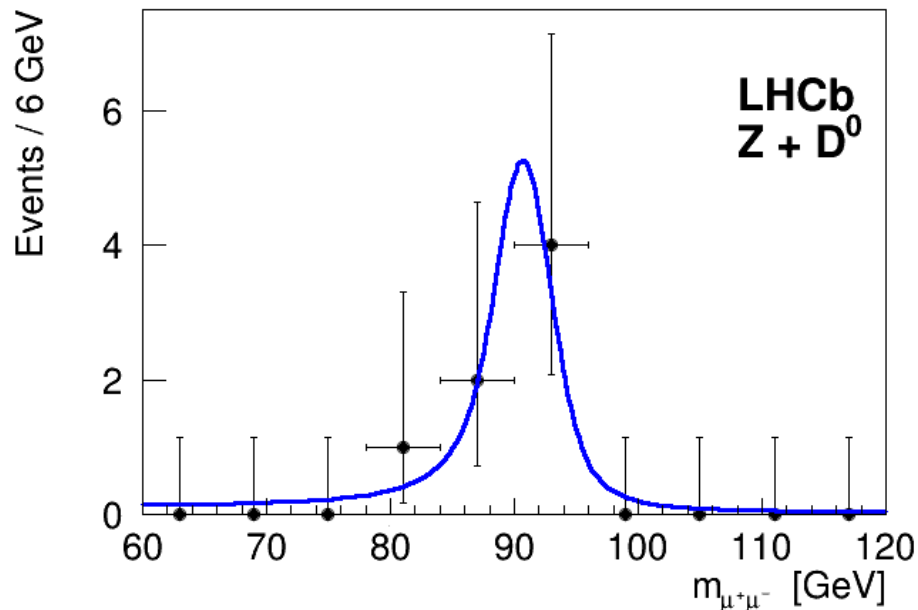
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$ ,  $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$

Z and D from same vertex

**Purity: 0.95:**

charmed hadrons from B-decays,  
 real Z and D from different vertices  
 combinatorial background

7 Z plus  $D^0$  and 4 Z plus  $D^+$  candidates  
 combined significance:  $5.1 \sigma$   
 no  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK\pi$ ,  $D_s^+ \rightarrow \Phi\pi^+$





$$\sigma(Z \rightarrow \mu\mu, D^0) = 2.50 \pm 1.12(\text{stat}) \pm 0.22(\text{syst}) \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma(Z \rightarrow \mu\mu, D^+) = 0.44 \pm 0.23(\text{stat}) \pm 0.03(\text{syst}) \text{ pb}$$

## Predictions

Single parton scattering (SPS) from MCFM

Double parton scattering (DPS):

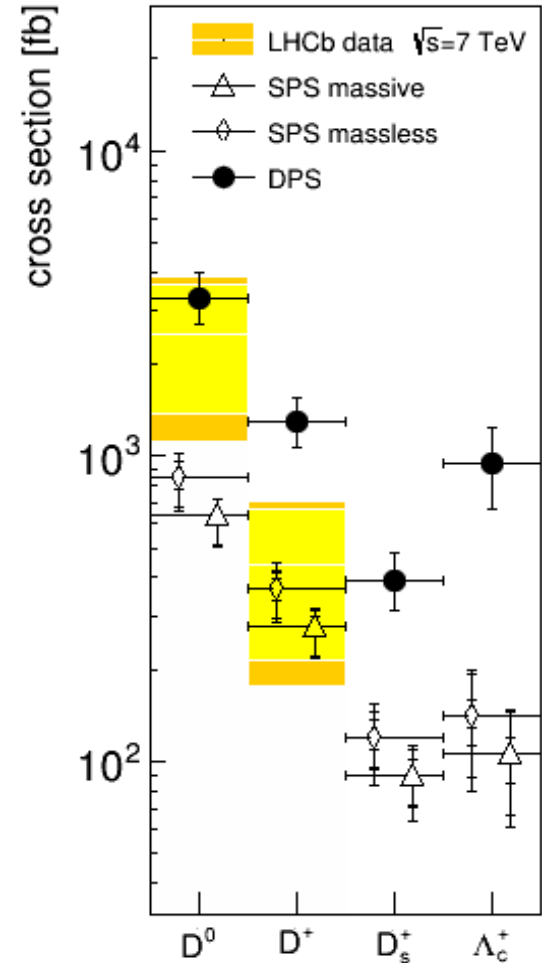
$$\sigma(\text{DPS}) = (\sigma(Z \rightarrow \mu\mu) \sigma(D)) / \sigma_{\text{eff}}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{eff}} = 14.5 \pm 1.7^{+1.7}_{-2.5} \text{ mb (CDF)}$$

Sum of SPS and DPS expected to describe signal

- consistent for Z plus  $D^0$
- Z plus  $D^+$  below expectation

→ differential measurements with high statistics will allow to disentangle SPS and DPS contributions



MCFM: J. M. Campbell and R. K. Ellis, Nucl. Phys. Proc. Suppl. 205-206 (2010) 10, arXiv:1007.3492.

## Forward: pA collisions

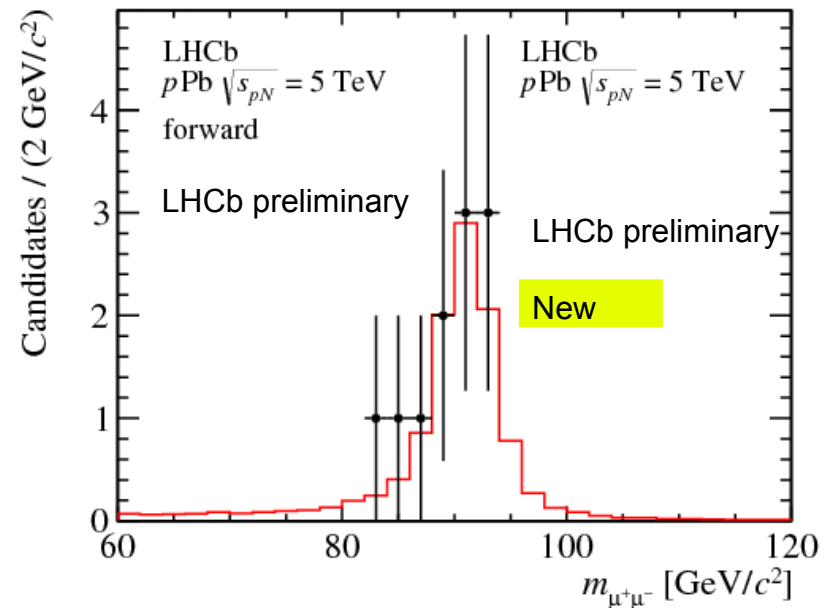
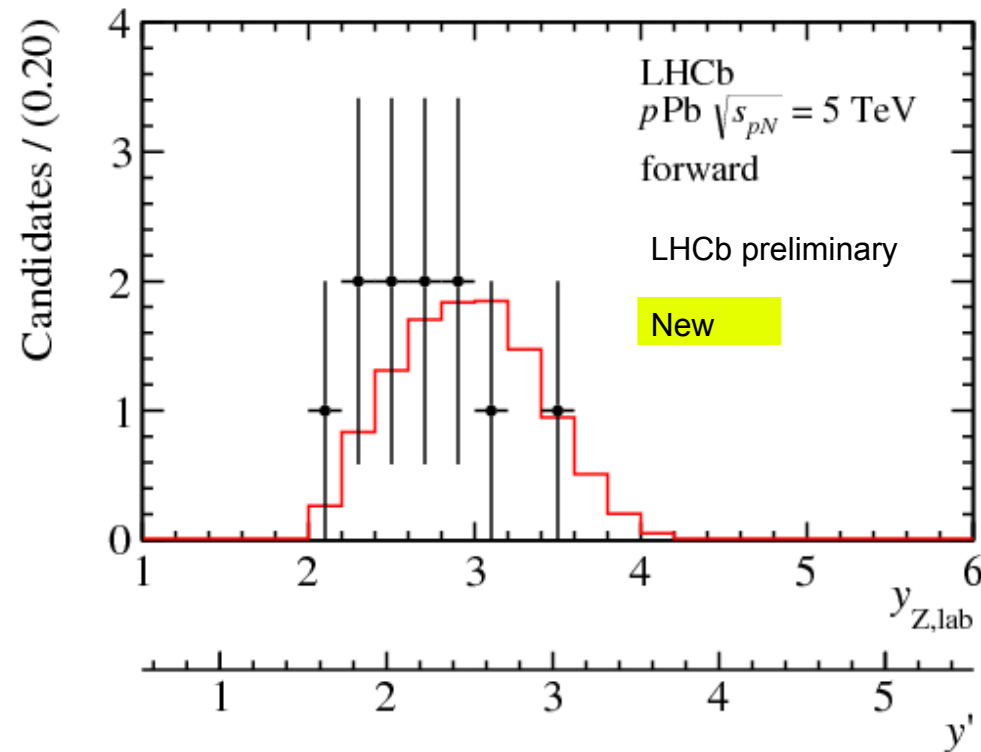
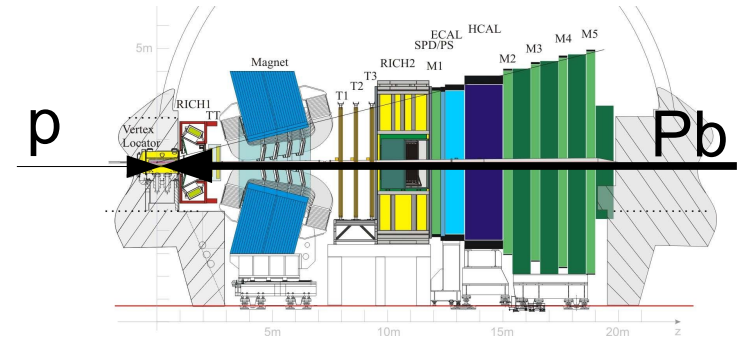
proton beam:  $E_p = 4 \text{ TeV}$

$^{208}_{82}\text{Pb}$  beam:  $E_N = Z E_p \approx 1.58 \text{ TeV}$

cms energy:  $\sqrt{s_{pN}} \approx 5.02 \text{ TeV}$

shift in rapidity:  $\Delta y = -2 \ln Z/A \approx -0.47$

11 candidates



## Backward: $A_p$ collisions

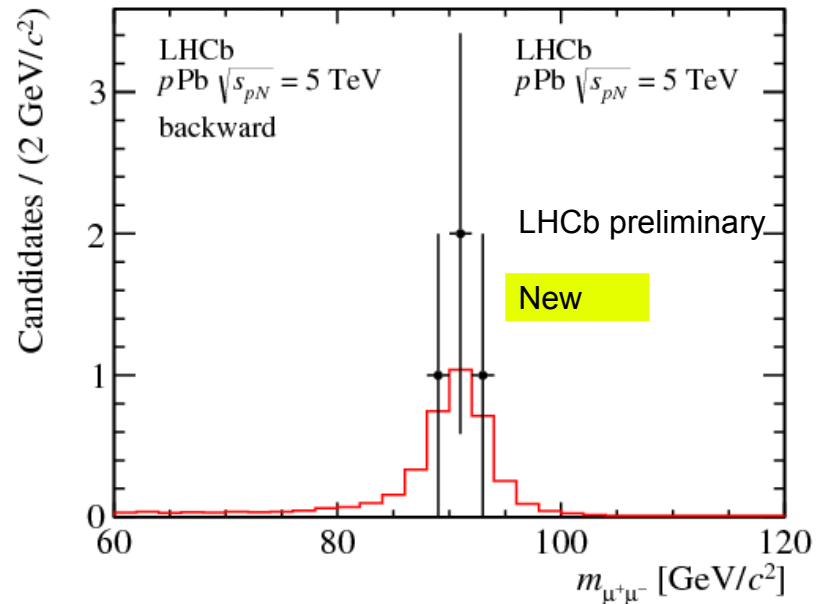
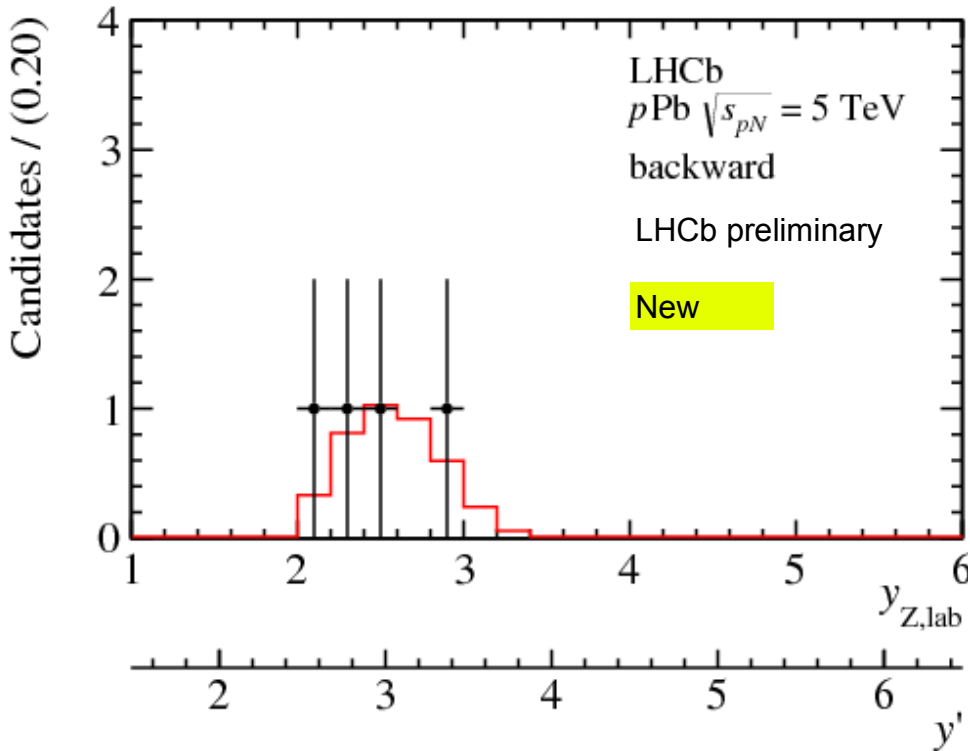
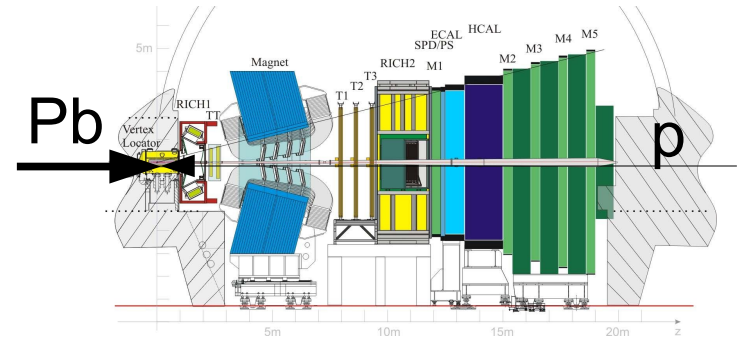
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shift in rapidity:  $\Delta y = +2 \ln Z/A \approx +0.47$

4 candidates



Efficiencies, purity from data (purity >0.995)

Cross sections:

forward:  $\sigma_{Z(\rightarrow\mu^+\mu^-)} = 13.5^{+5.4}_{-4.0}$  (stat.)  $\pm 1.1$ (syst.)  $\pm 0.3$ (lumi.) nb

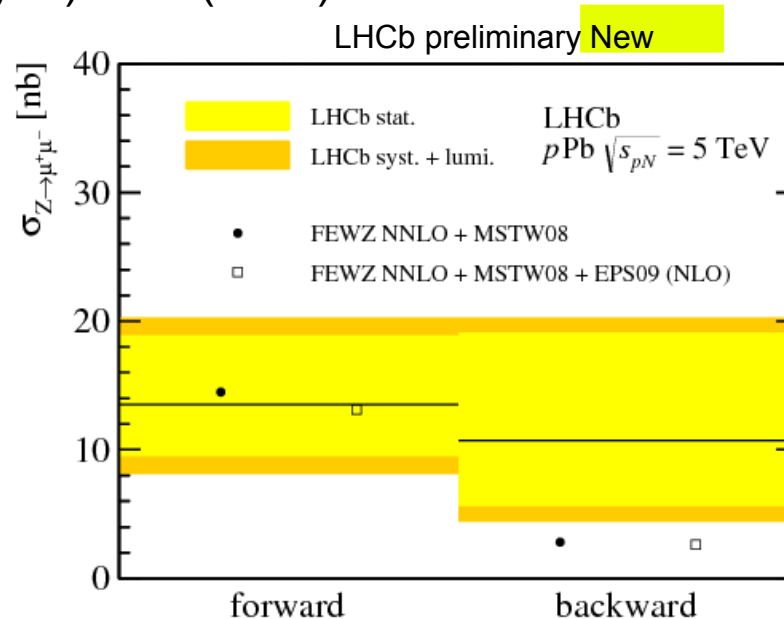
backward:  $\sigma_{Z(\rightarrow\mu^+\mu^-)} = 10.7^{+8.4}_{-5.1}$  (stat.)  $\pm 0.9$ (syst.)  $\pm 0.2$ (lumi.) nb

Theoretical predictions:

NNLO calculations (FEWZ)

nuclear modification: EPS09(NLO)

future higher statistics measurements  
will provide important information  
on nuclear PDFs



FEWZ: Y. Li and F. Petriello, Phys. Rev. D86 (2012) 094034, arXiv:1208.5967.

EPS09: K. Eskola, H. Paukkunen, and C. Salgado, JHEP 04 (2009) 065, arXiv:0902.4154.

**Fiducial volume**

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## Soft QCD

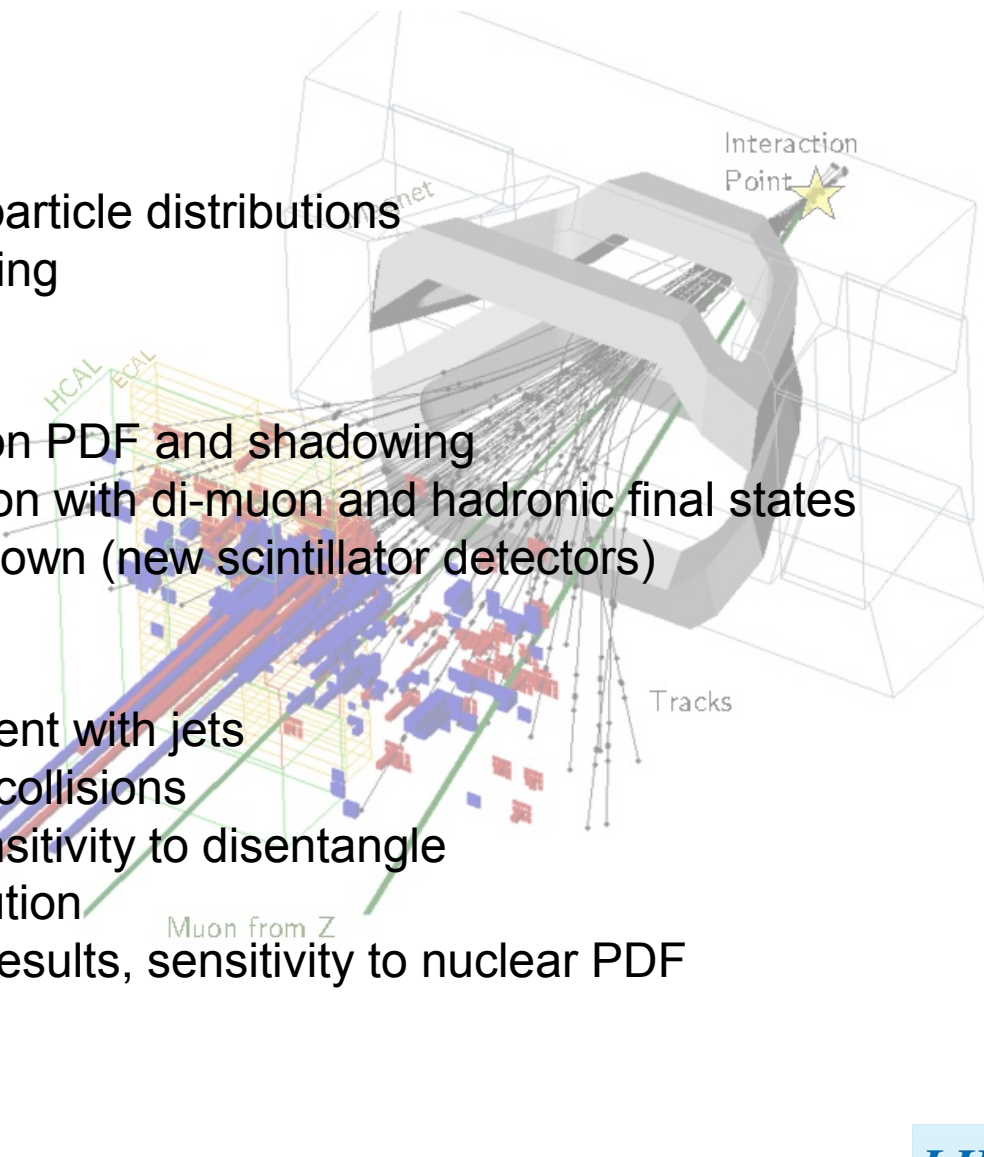
new measurement of charged particle distributions  
valuable input for generator tuning

## Central exclusive production

$J/\psi$  and  $\psi(2S)$ , sensitive to gluon PDF and shadowing  
more results to be expected soon with di-muon and hadronic final states  
increased sensitivity after shutdown (new scintillator detectors)

## Z production

Z plus jet: first LHCb measurement with jets  
Z plus D: first observation in pp collisions  
increased statistic: sensitivity to disentangle  
SPS and DPS contribution  
Z in proton-lead collisions: first results, sensitivity to nuclear PDF



→ Many more interesting measurements to come!



Backup slides





# Full list of QCD results

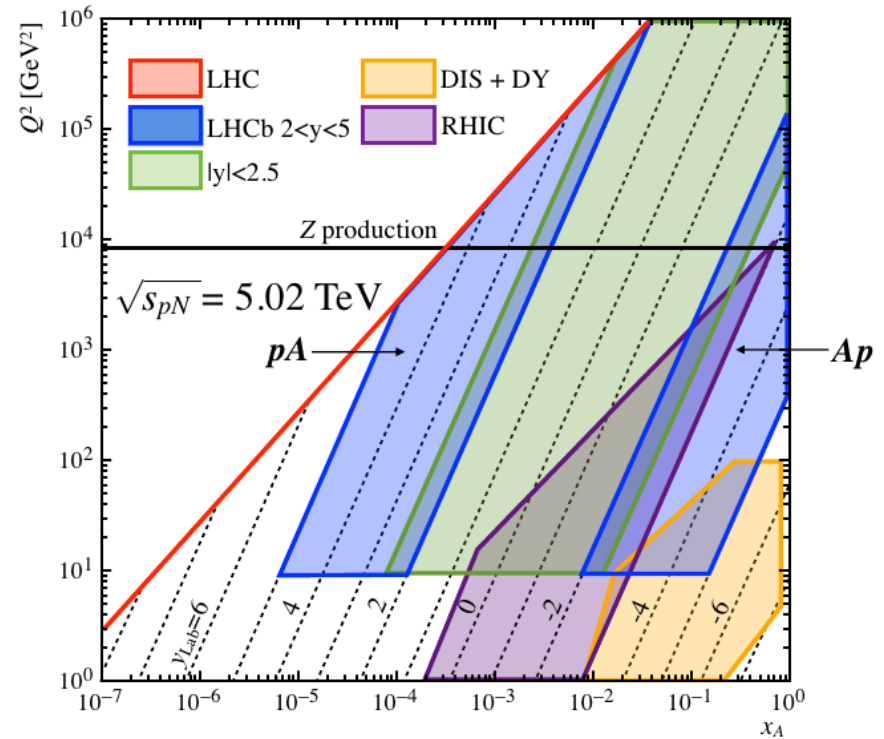
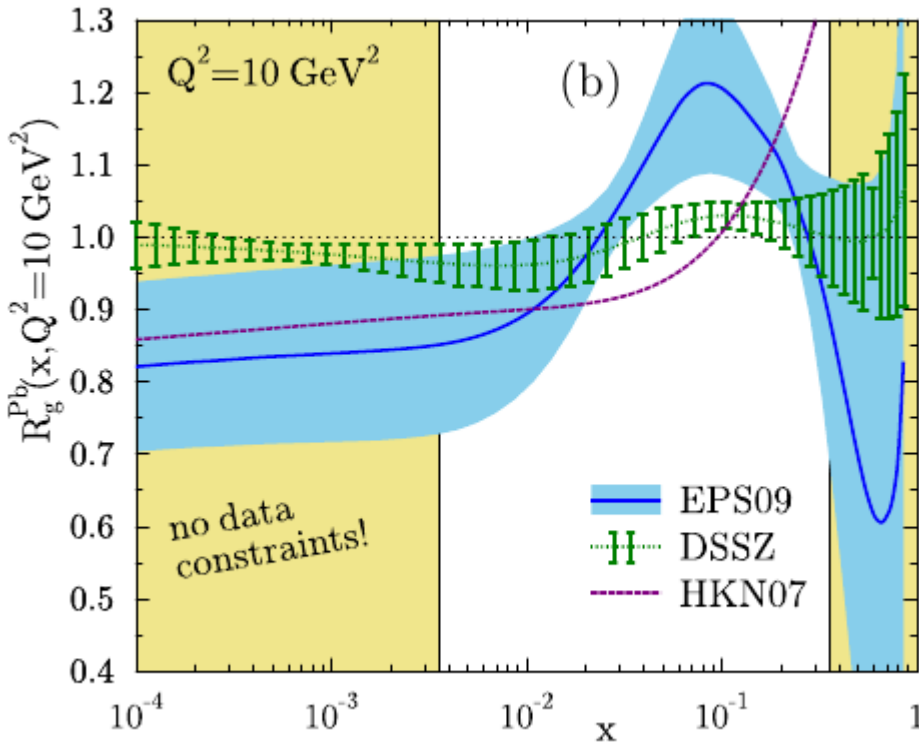
Measurement of charged particle multiplicities and densities	arXiv:1402.4430
Prompt charm production at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV	Nucl. Phys. B 871 (2013) 1-20
Measurement of the forward energy flow at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV	Eur. Phys. J. C73 (2013) 2421
Measurement of Y production in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 2.76$ TeV	accepted by EPJC arXiv:1402.2539
Measurement of V0 production ratios at $\sqrt{s} = 0.9$ and 7 TeV	Eur. Phys. J. C 72 (2012) 2168
Measurement of the $B_{\pm}$ production cross-section at $\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV	JHEP 04 (2012) 093
Measurement of the inclusive $\phi$ cross-section at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV	Phys. Lett. B 703 (2011) 267
Prompt K0S production at $\sqrt{s} = 0.9$ TeV	Phys. Lett. B 693 (2010) 69
W&Z production studies at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV	JHEP 06 (2012) 058
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ production at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV	JHEP 01 (2013) 111
$Z \rightarrow ee$ production at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV	JHEP 02 (2013) 106
$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu + \text{jet}$ production at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV	JHEP 1401 (2014) 033
Z plus D production at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV	JHEP 04 (2014) 91
Measurement of the cross-section for $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ at $s\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV	LHCb-CONF-2013-007
Low mass Drell Yan production at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV	LHCb-CONF-2012-013
Graphical comparison of W and Z results with ATLAS and CMS	LHCb-CONF-2013-005
Exclusive $J/\Psi$ and $\Psi(2S)$ production in the dimuon channel $\sqrt{s} = 7$	J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 41 (2014) 055002
Measurement of $\sigma(b\bar{b})$ with inclusive final states	LHCb-CONF-2013-002
Inclusive jets and dijets	LHCb-CONF-2011-015





# Z production in pA

Ratio of nPDF (gluon) for Pb to bare proton PDF  
[arXiv:1401.2345]



nPDF poorly constrained at high and low  $x_A$ , where measurements at LHCb have a good sensitivity

## Exchange of a colourless object: $\gamma$ , pomeron

- two muons + rapidity gaps
- protons escape undetected in beampipe

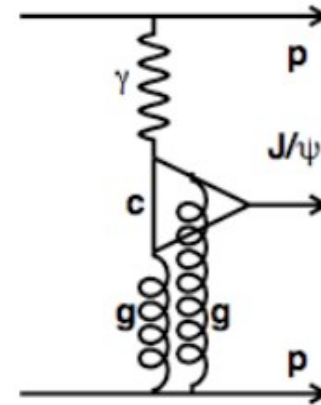
## High rapidities 2-5

- complementary to ATLAS/CMS
- sensitivity to  $x$  values  $5 \cdot 10^{-6}$

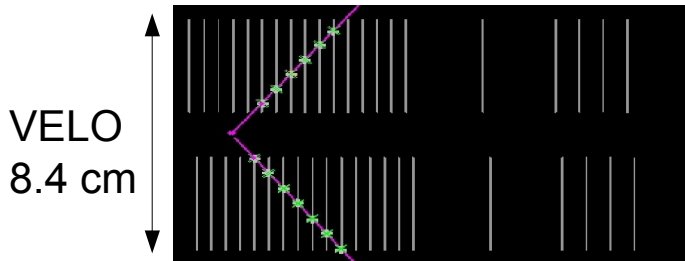
## VELO acceptance

forward:  $1.5 < \eta < 5.0$

backward:  $-3.5 < \eta < -1.5$  no momentum information



VELO surrounds beampipe



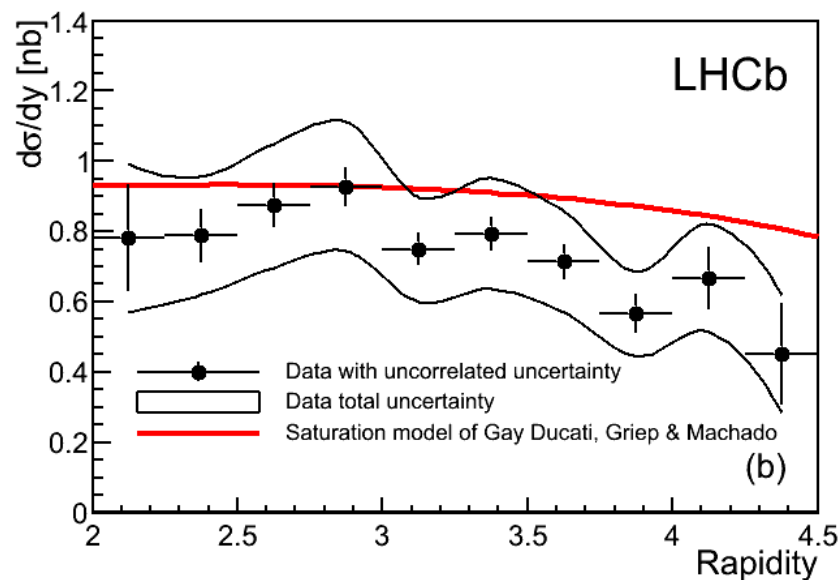
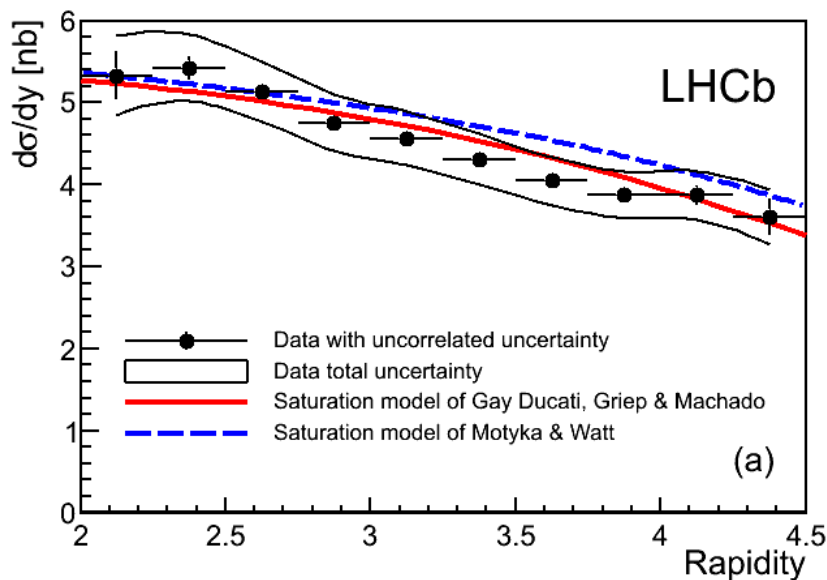
## Rapidity gap coverage

forward: 2 gaps, sum of 3.5

backward:  $\sim 1-2$  units, depending on  $z$  vertex position



# CEP: Results



Saturation model predictions (arXiv:1305.4611, PhysRevD.78.014023)



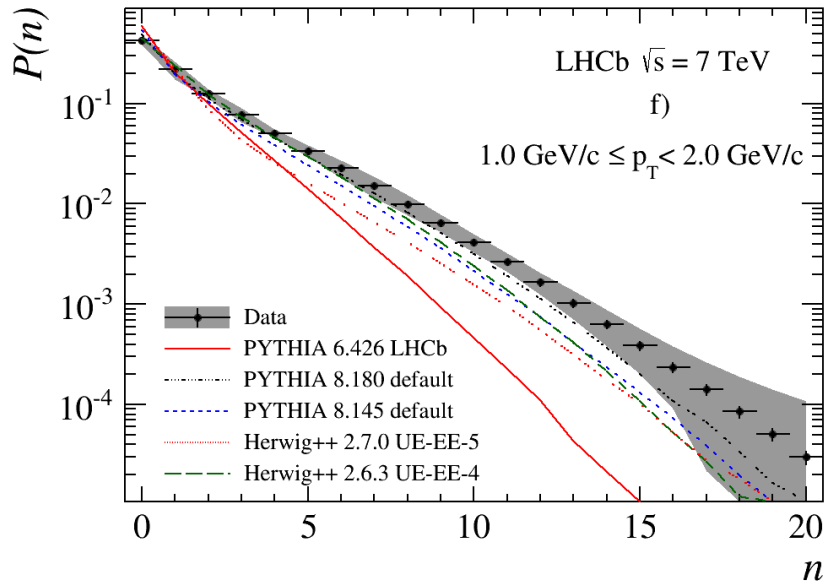
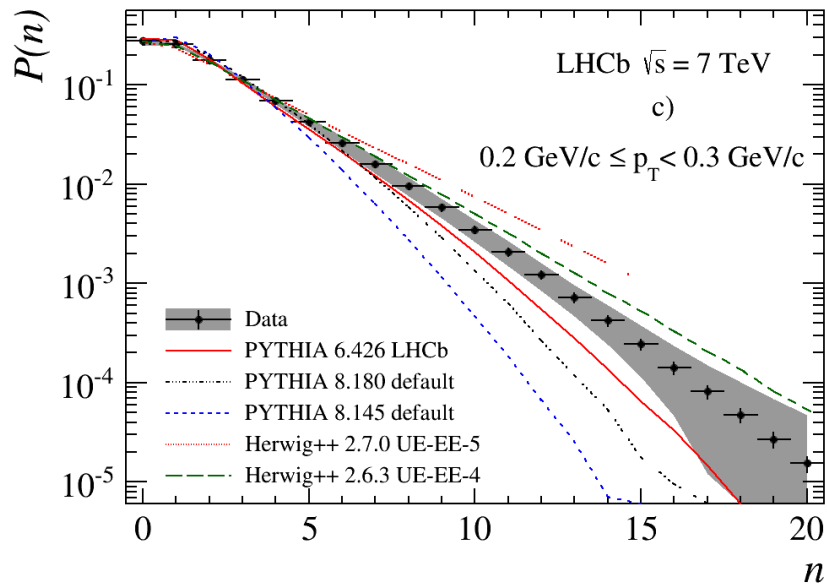
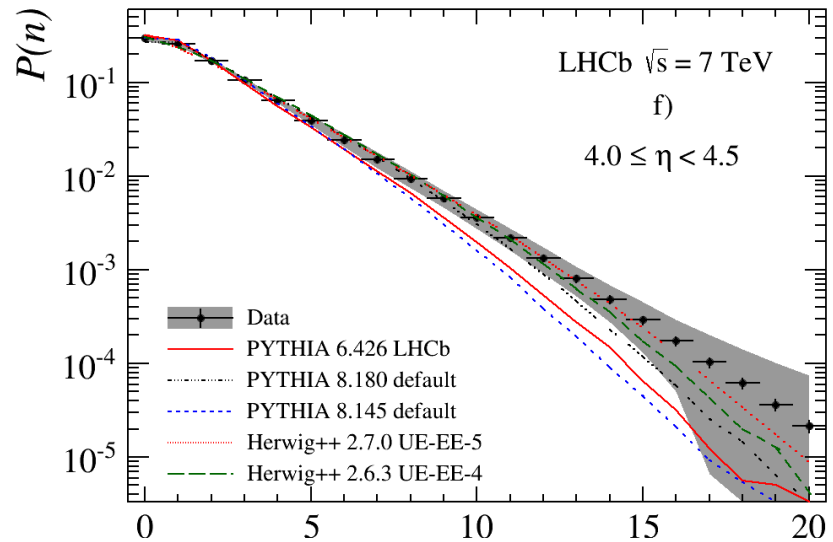
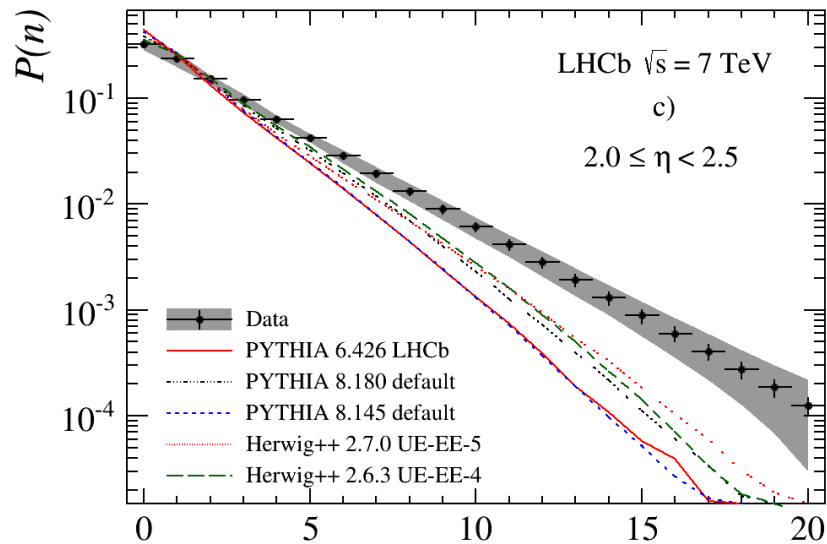


## Correlated uncertainties expressed as a percentage of the final result

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$\epsilon_{\text{sel}}$	1.4%
Purity determination ( $J/\psi$ )	2.0%
Purity determination ( $\psi(2S)$ )	13.0%
* $\epsilon_{\text{single}}$	1.0%
*Acceptance	2.0%
*Shape of the inelastic background	5.0%
*Luminosity	3.5%
Total correlated statistical uncertainty ( $J/\psi$ )	2.4%
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Total correlated statistical uncertainty ( $\psi(2S)$ )	13.0%
Total correlated systematic uncertainty	6.5%

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- charmed hadrons from B-decays
- real Z and D from different vertices
- combinatorial background: from 2d fit to mass distributions
- purity is high about 95%

