

# Statistical hadronization and the phase boundary of QCD - a journey of five flavors -

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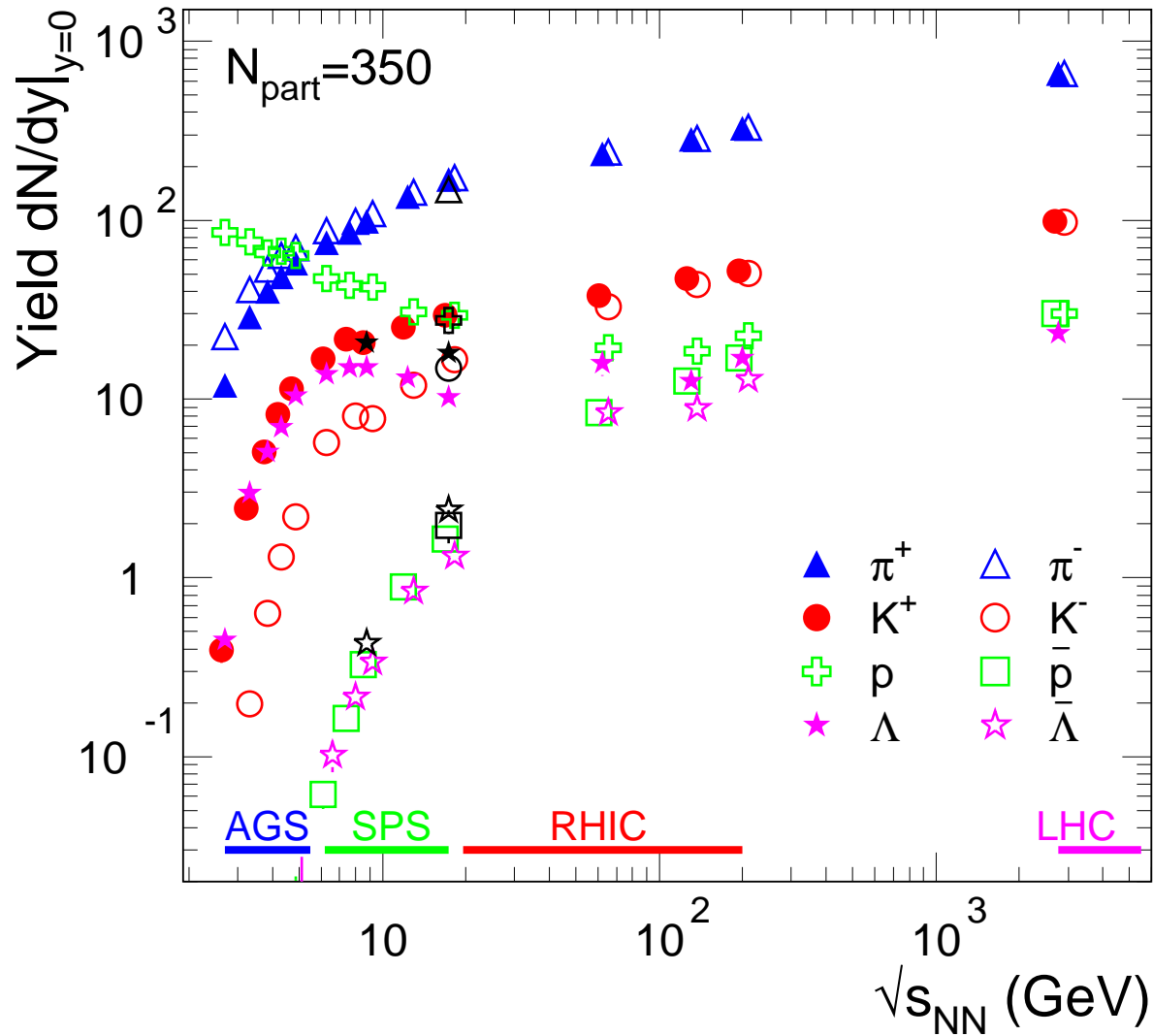
- Chemical freeze-out of light quark (u,d,s) hadrons
- ...and the connection to the QCD phase diagram
- Charmonium
- Bottomonium
- Outlook (to full energy LHC and FCC)

work in collaboration with P. Braun-Munzinger, K. Redlich, J. Stachel

# Hadron yields - central collisions

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- lots of particles, mostly newly created ( $m = E/c^2$ )
- a great variety of species:
  - $\pi^\pm$  ( $u\bar{d}$ ,  $d\bar{u}$ ),  $m=140$  MeV
  - $K^\pm$  ( $u\bar{s}$ ,  $\bar{u}s$ ),  $m=494$  MeV
  - $p$  ( $uud$ ),  $m=938$  MeV
  - $\Lambda$  ( $uds$ ),  $m=1116$  MeV
  - also:  $\Xi(dss)$ ,  $\Omega(sss)$ ...
- 3 decades in energy and 3 decades of experimental effort

mass hierarchy in production ...would a thermal model work?

# The pioneering attempts

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Cleymans et al., PLB 242 (1990) 111; PLB 255 (1991) 105

Letessier, Tounsi, Rafelski, PLB 292 (1992) 417; PLB 328 (1994) 499

Braun-Munzinger, Stachel, Wessels, Xu

- Thermal equilibration and expansion in nucleus-nucleus collisions at the AGS  
nucl-th/9410026, PLB 344 (1995) 43  
 $T=120-140$  MeV,  $\mu_B=540$  MeV
- Thermal and hadrochemical equilibration in nucleus-nucleus collisions at the SPS  
 $T=160-170$  MeV,  $\mu_B=170-180$  MeV ; “phase boundary”  
nucl-th/9508020, PLB 365 (1996) 1

# The statistical (thermal) model

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grand canonical partition function for specie  $i$  ( $\hbar = c = 1$ ):

$$\ln Z_i = \frac{V g_i}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \pm p^2 dp \ln[1 \pm \exp(-(E_i - \mu_i)/T)]$$

$g_i = (2J_i + 1)$  spin degeneracy factor;  $T$  temperature;

$E_i = \sqrt{p^2 + m_i^2}$  total energy; + for fermions – for bosons

$\mu_i = \mu_B B_i + \mu_{I_3} I_{3i} + \mu_S S_i + \mu_C C_i$  chemical potentials

$\mu$  ensure conservation (on average) of quantum numbers, fixed by “initial conditions”

i) isospin:  $V_{cons} \sum_i n_i I_{3i} = I_3^{tot}$ , with  $V_{cons} = N_B^{tot} / \sum_i n_i B_i$

$I_3^{tot}$ ,  $N_B^{tot}$  isospin and baryon number of the system (=0 at high energies)

ii) strangeness:  $\sum_i n_i S_i = 0$

iii) charm:  $\sum_i n_i C_i = 0$ .

canonical treatment whenever needed (small abundances)

# Thermal fits of hadron abundances

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$$n_i = N_i/V = -\frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial \ln Z_i}{\partial \mu} = \frac{g_i}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{p^2 dp}{\exp[(E_i - \mu_i)/T] \pm 1}$$

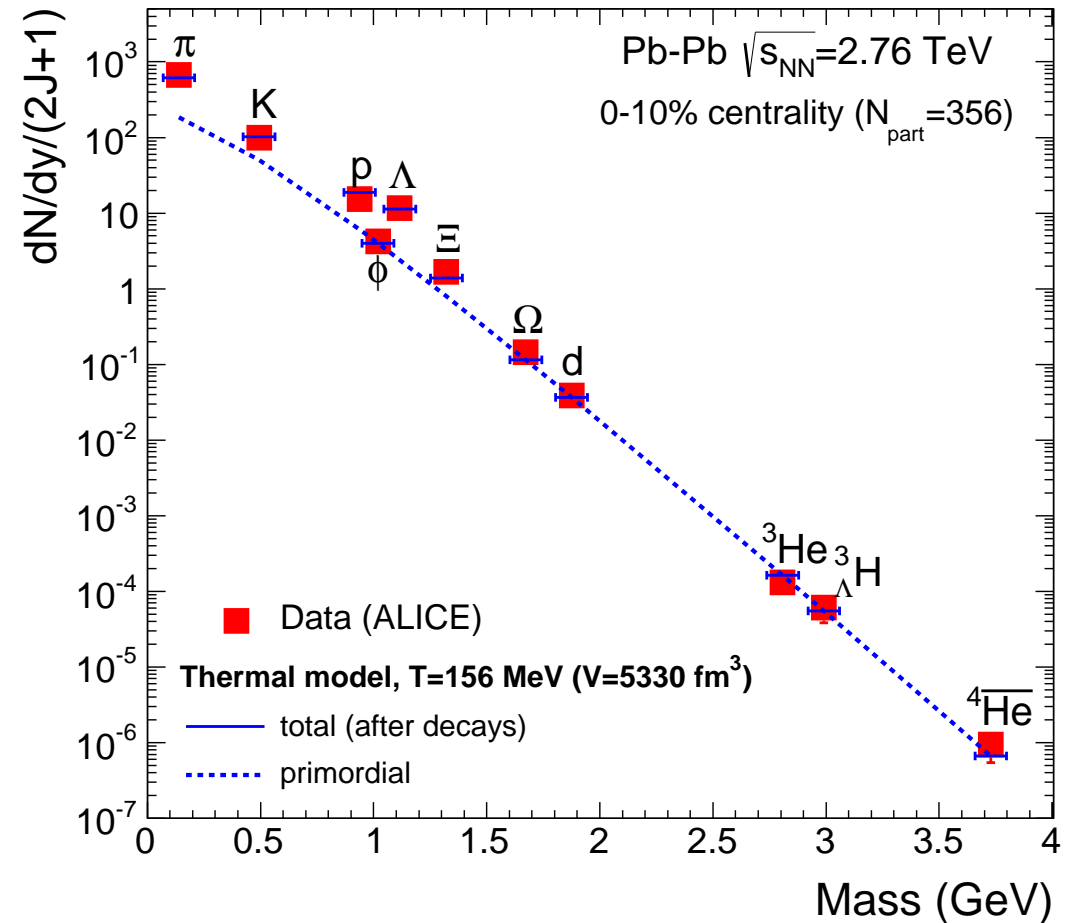
quantum no. conservation:

$$\mu_i = \mu_B B_i + \mu_{I_3} I_{3i} + \mu_S S_i + \mu_C C_i$$

Latest PDG hadron mass spectrum  
(up to 3 GeV, 485 species)

Minimize:  $\chi^2 = \sum_i \frac{(N_i^{exp} - N_i^{therm})^2}{\sigma_i^2}$

$N_i$ : hadron yield  $\Rightarrow (T, \mu_B, V)$

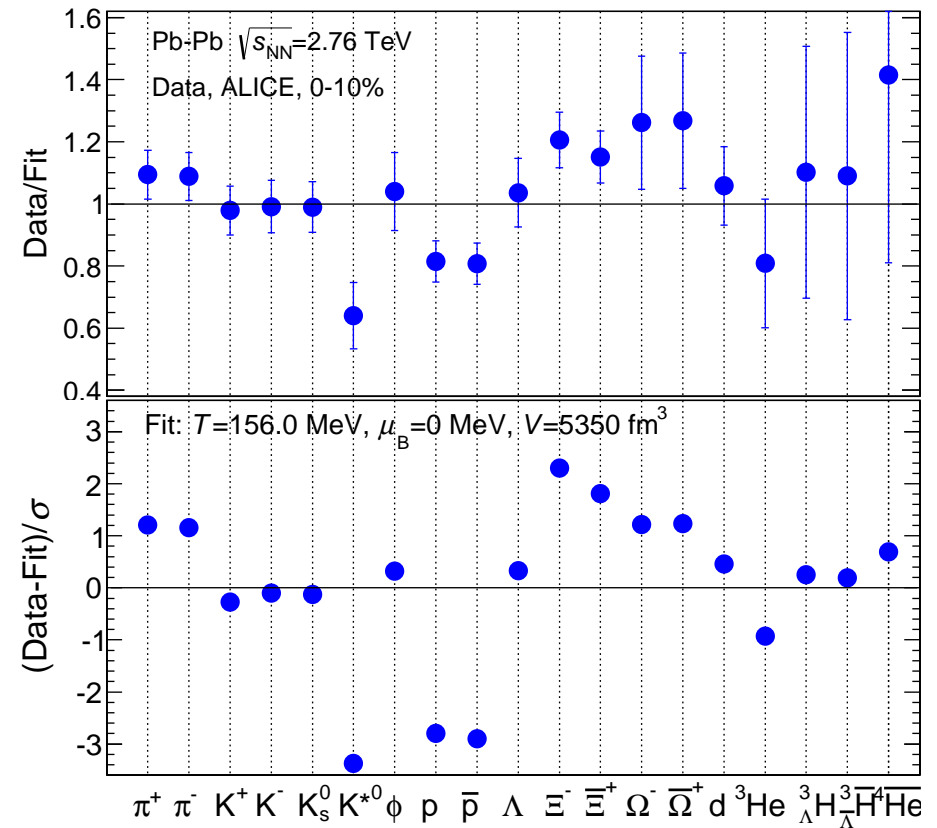
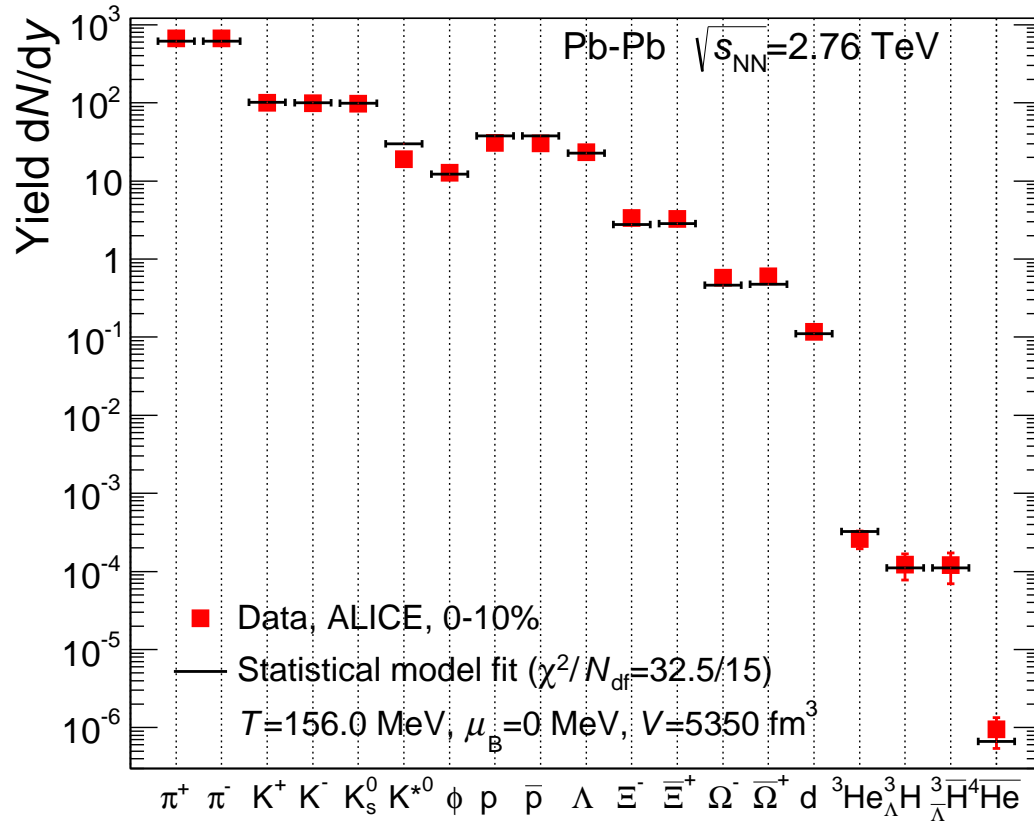


Hadron abundances consistent with a thermally equilibrated system

# Thermal fits – LHC, Pb–Pb, 0–10%

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$K^*$  not in fit

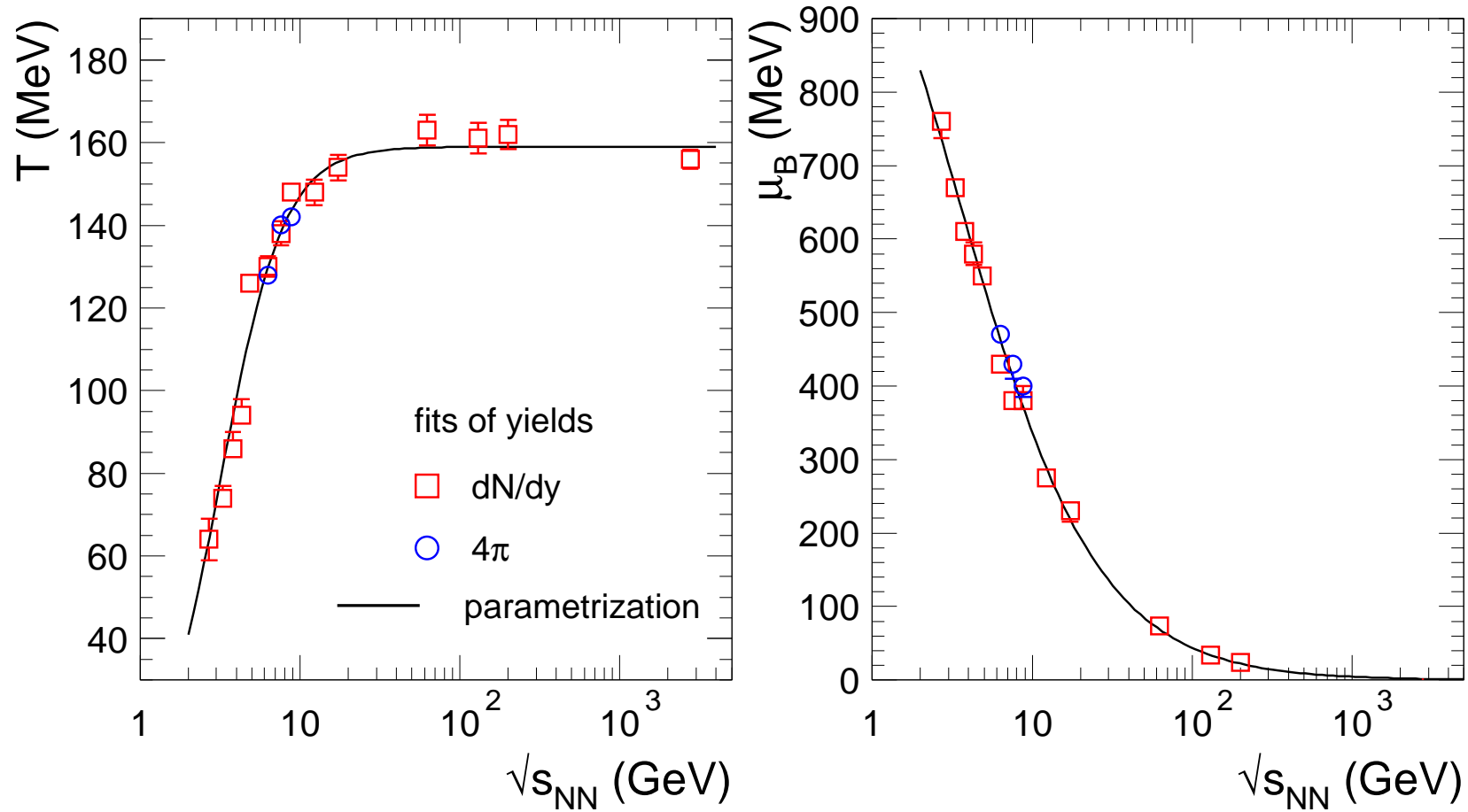
$$T = 156.0_{-2.0}^{+1.0} \text{ MeV}, \mu_B = 0 \pm 3 \text{ MeV}, V = 5350_{-670}^{+340} \text{ fm}^3$$

model-systematic effects under investigation ( $T$  robust against hadron spectrum)

# Energy dependence of $T$ , $\mu_B$ (central collisions)

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thermal fits exhibit a limiting temperature:

$$T = T_{lim} \frac{1}{1 + \exp(2.60 - \ln(\sqrt{s_{NN}}(\text{GeV}))/0.45)},$$

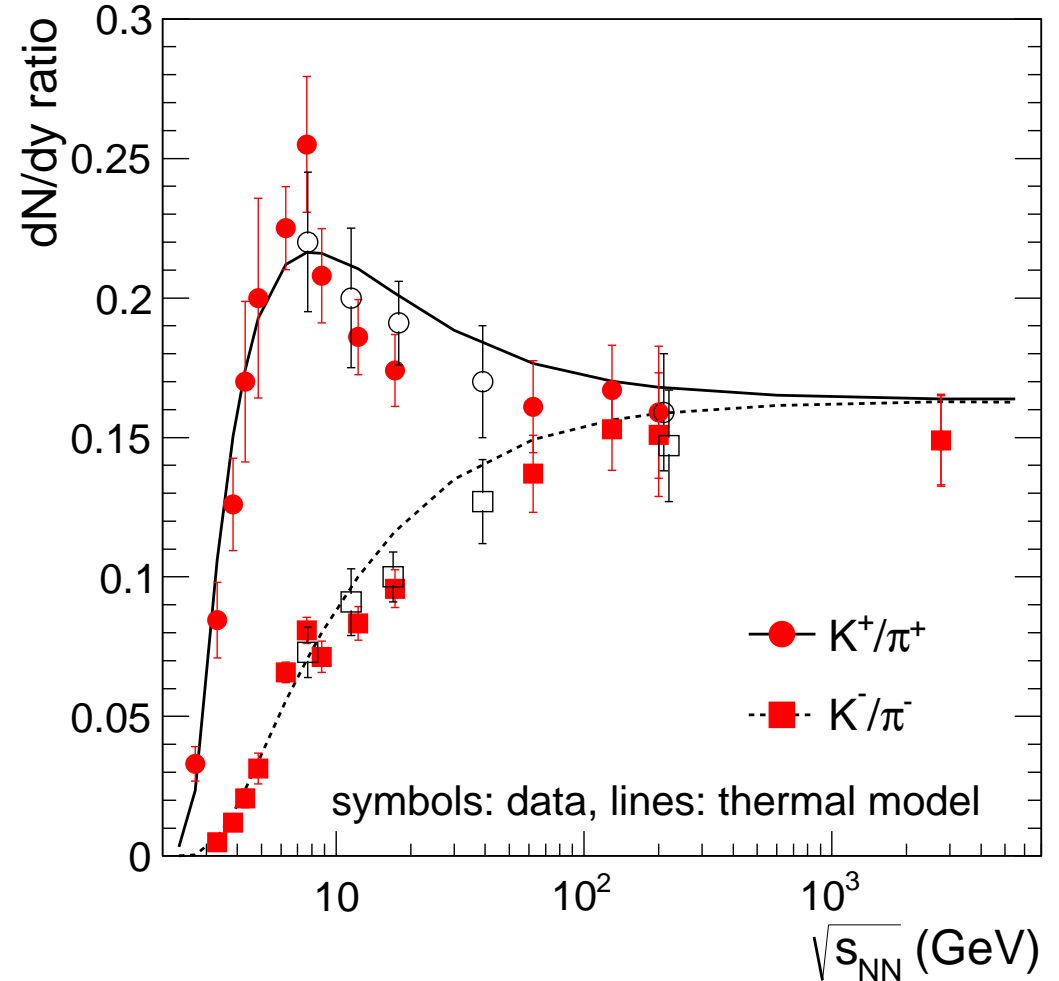
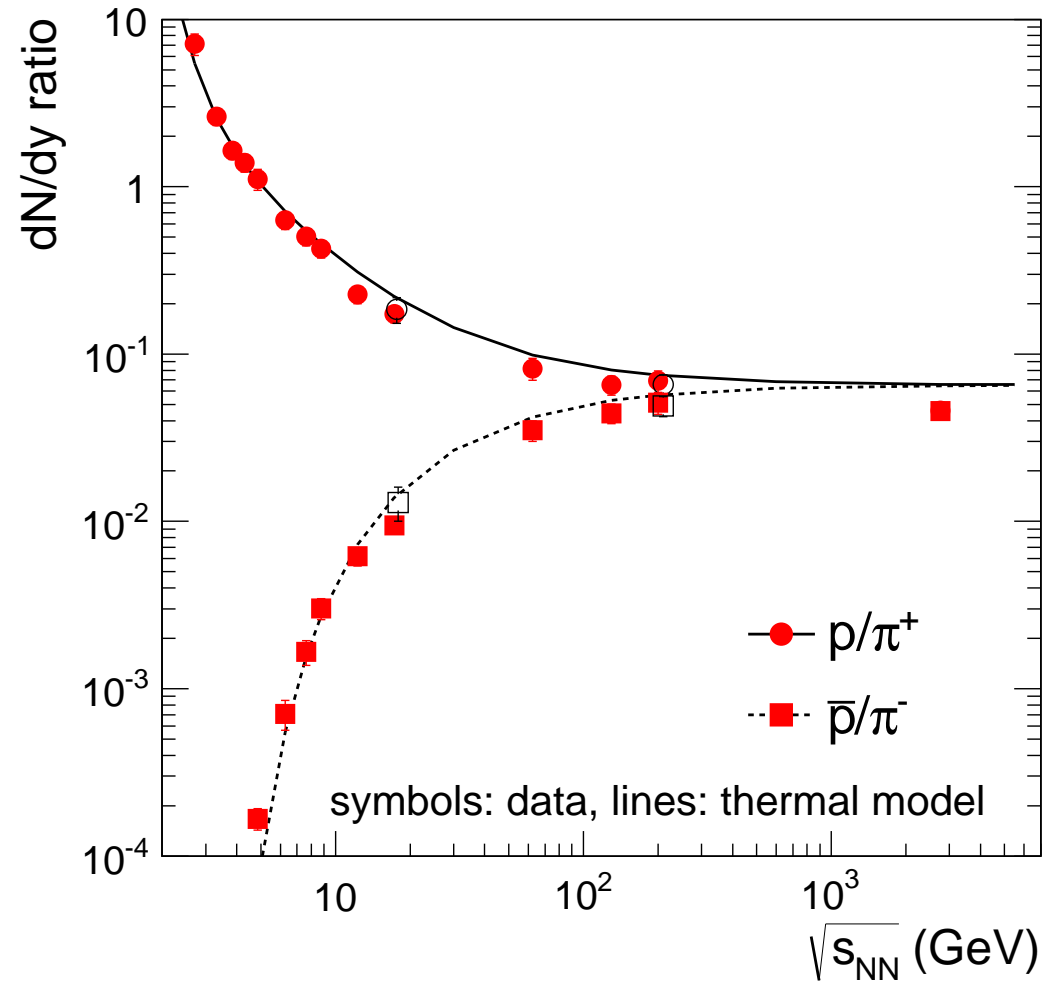
$$T_{lim} = 159 \pm 2 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\mu_B [\text{MeV}] = \frac{1307.5}{1 + 0.288 \sqrt{s_{NN}}(\text{GeV})}$$

# A “global” look (ratios)

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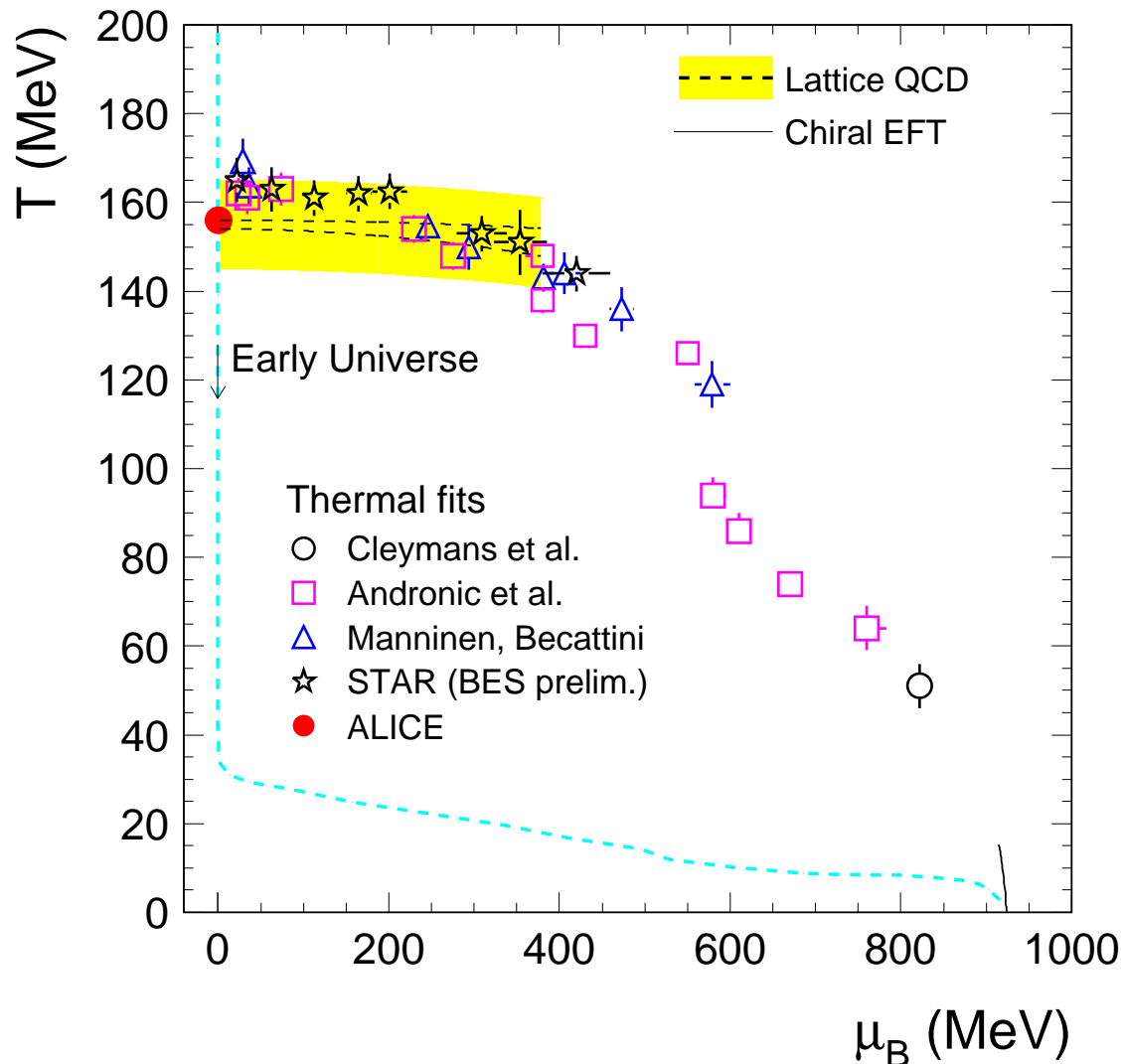
full: NA49 & STAR ( $p$ ,  $\bar{p}$  from w.d. subtracted); at 17 GeV open symbols NA44;  
at 200 GeV open symbols BRAHMS, lower energies STAR BES (prel.)



# Connection to the phase diagram of QCD

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(as  $T \rightarrow T_{lim}$ ) is chemical freeze-out a determination of the phase boundary? ...Yes (at low  $\mu_B$ )

Lattice QCD,  $\mu_B = 0$ :  
crossover  $T=145-165$  MeV

BW, JHEP 1009 (2010) 073

HotQCD, PRD 90 (2014) 094503

...for entire  $\mu_B$  range?

PBM, Stachel, Wetterich, PLB 596 (2004) 61

McLerran, Pisarski, NPA 796 (2007) 83

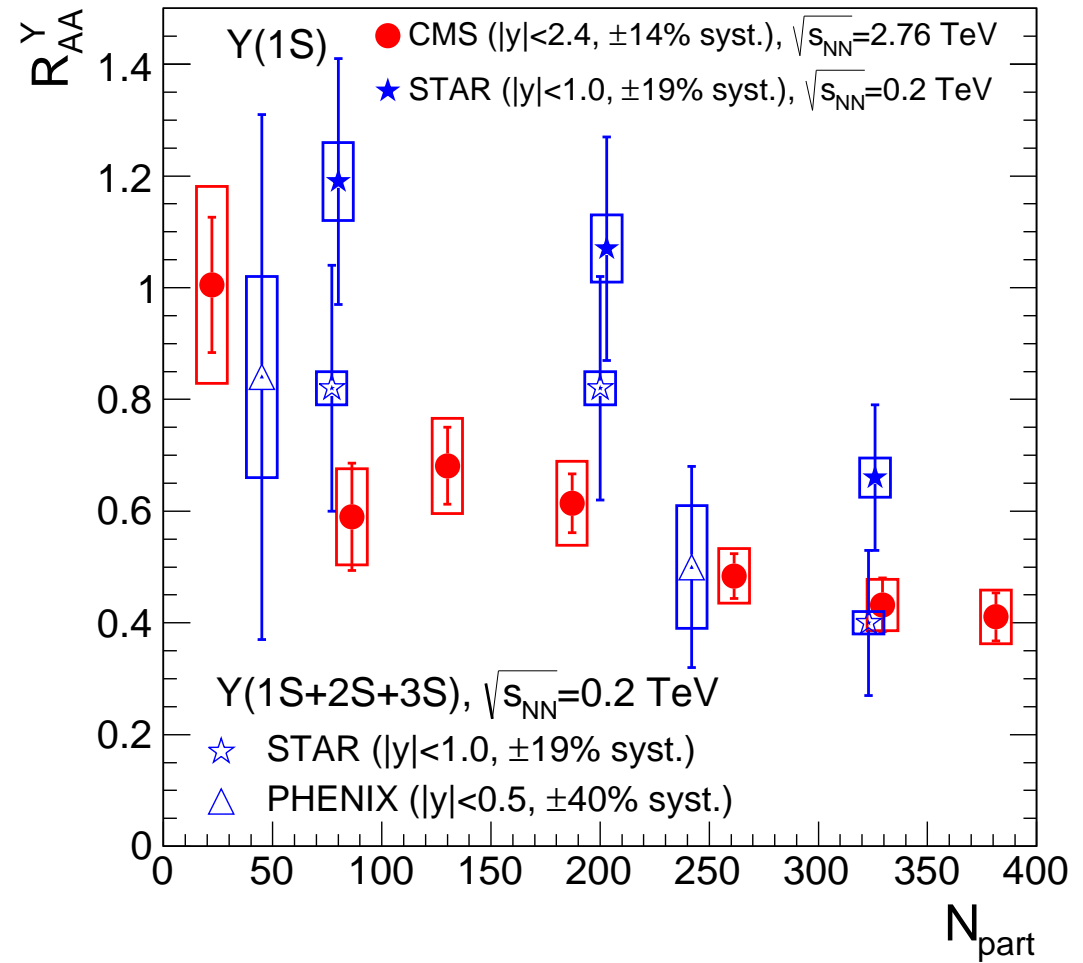
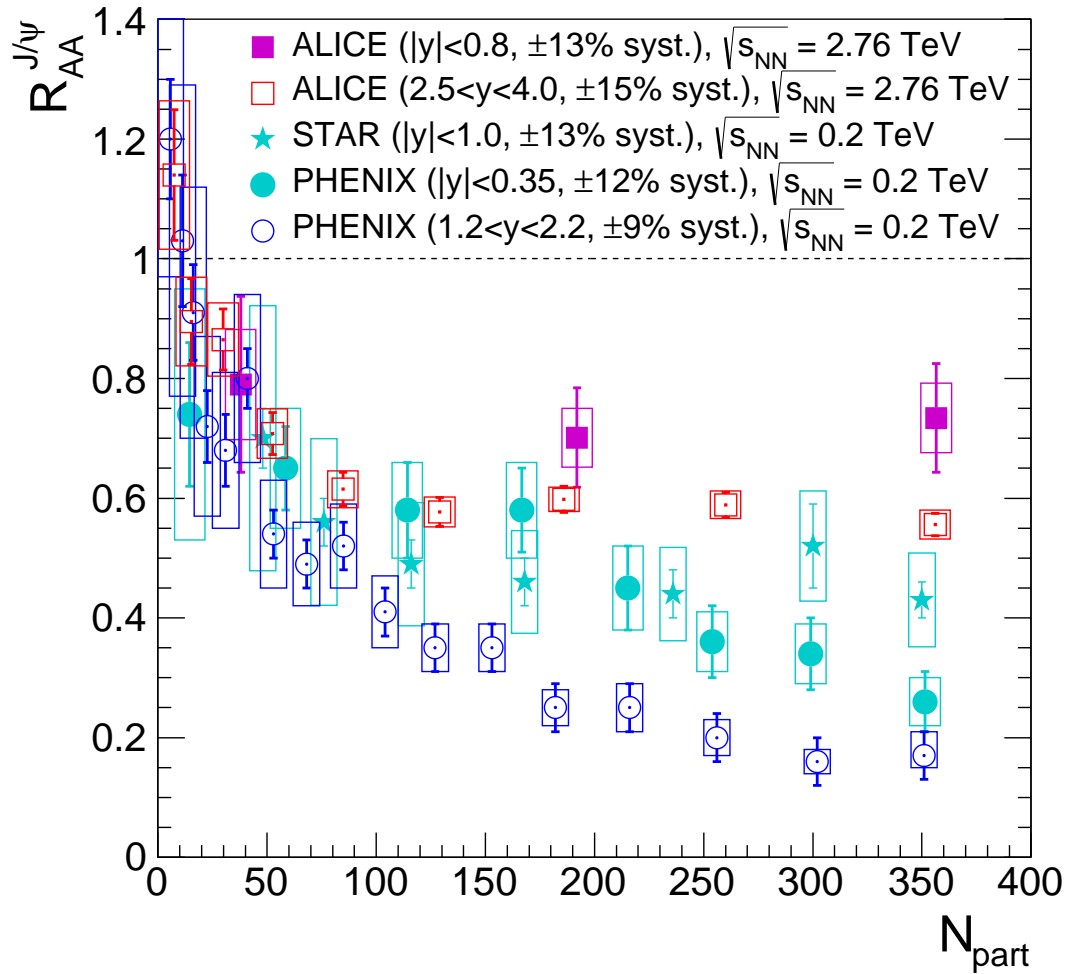
AA et al., NPA 837 (2010) 65

Floerchinger, Wetterich, NPA 890 (2012) 11

# We turn now to quarkonium

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arXiv:1409.5778

# Statistical hadronization of heavy quarks: assumptions

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...we believe yes ...based on data in the light-quark sector (support from LQCD)
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can  $J/\psi$  survive above  $T_c$ ? ...yet to be settled (LQCD)

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if all this is supported by data,  $J/\psi$  loses status as “thermometer” of QGP  
...and gains status as a powerful observable for the phase boundary

# Statistical hadronization of charm: method and inputs

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- 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):

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

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

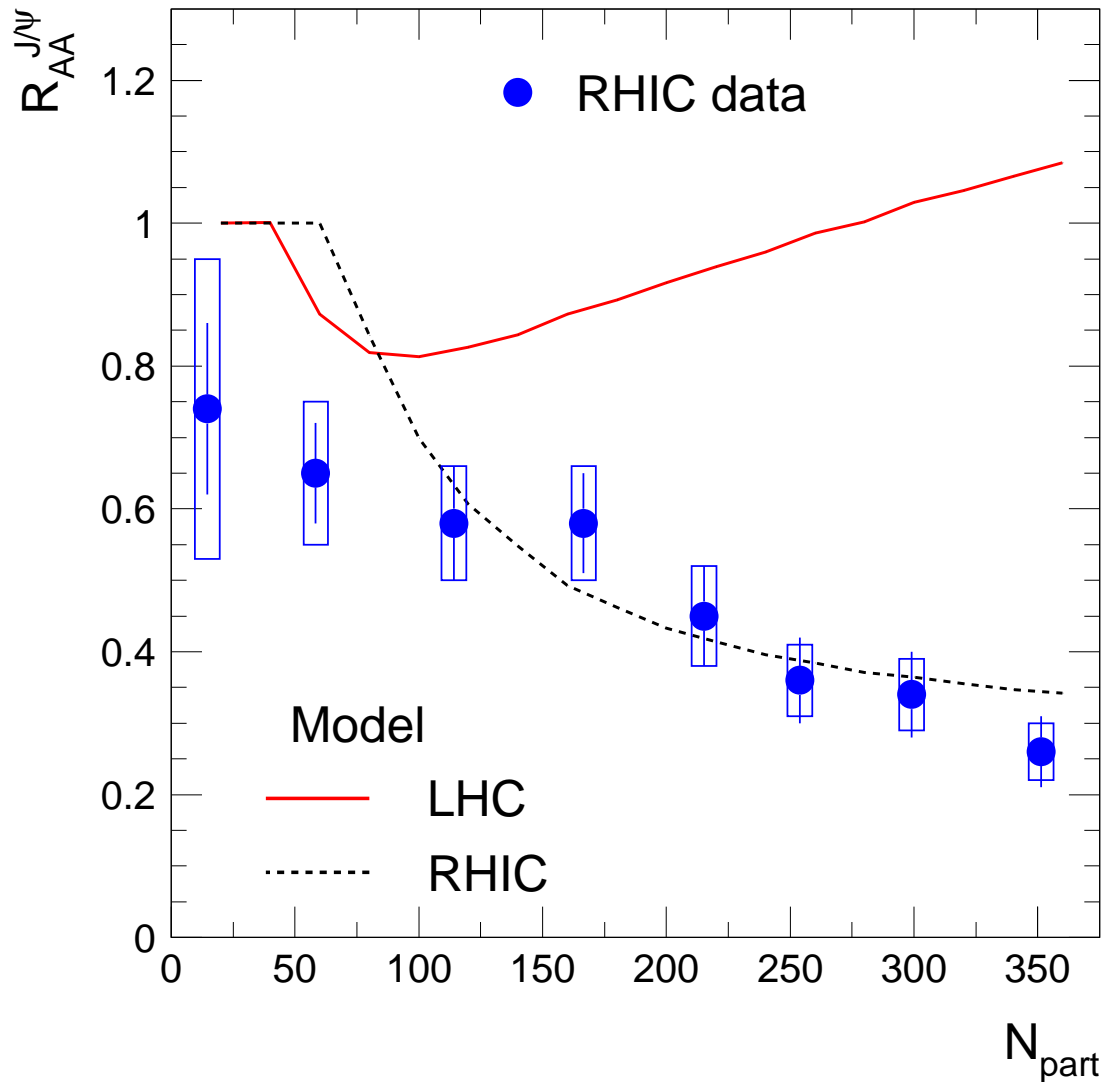
Inputs:  $T, \mu_B, V_{\Delta y=1} (= (dN_{ch}^{exp}/dy)/n_{ch}^{th}), N_{c\bar{c}}^{dir}$  (pQCD or exp.)

Minimal volume for QGP:  $V_{QGP}^{min} = 400 \text{ fm}^3$

# Charmonium in the statistical hadronization model

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$$R_{AA}^{J/\psi} = \frac{dN_{J/\psi}^{AA}/dy}{N_{coll} \cdot dN_{J/\psi}^{pp}/dy}$$

- "suppression" at RHIC
- "enhancement" at the LHC

$$N_{J/\psi} \sim (N_{c\bar{c}}^{dir})^2$$

What is so different at LHC?  
(compared to RHIC)

$\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$ :  $\sim 10x$ , Volume:  $\sim 2.2x$

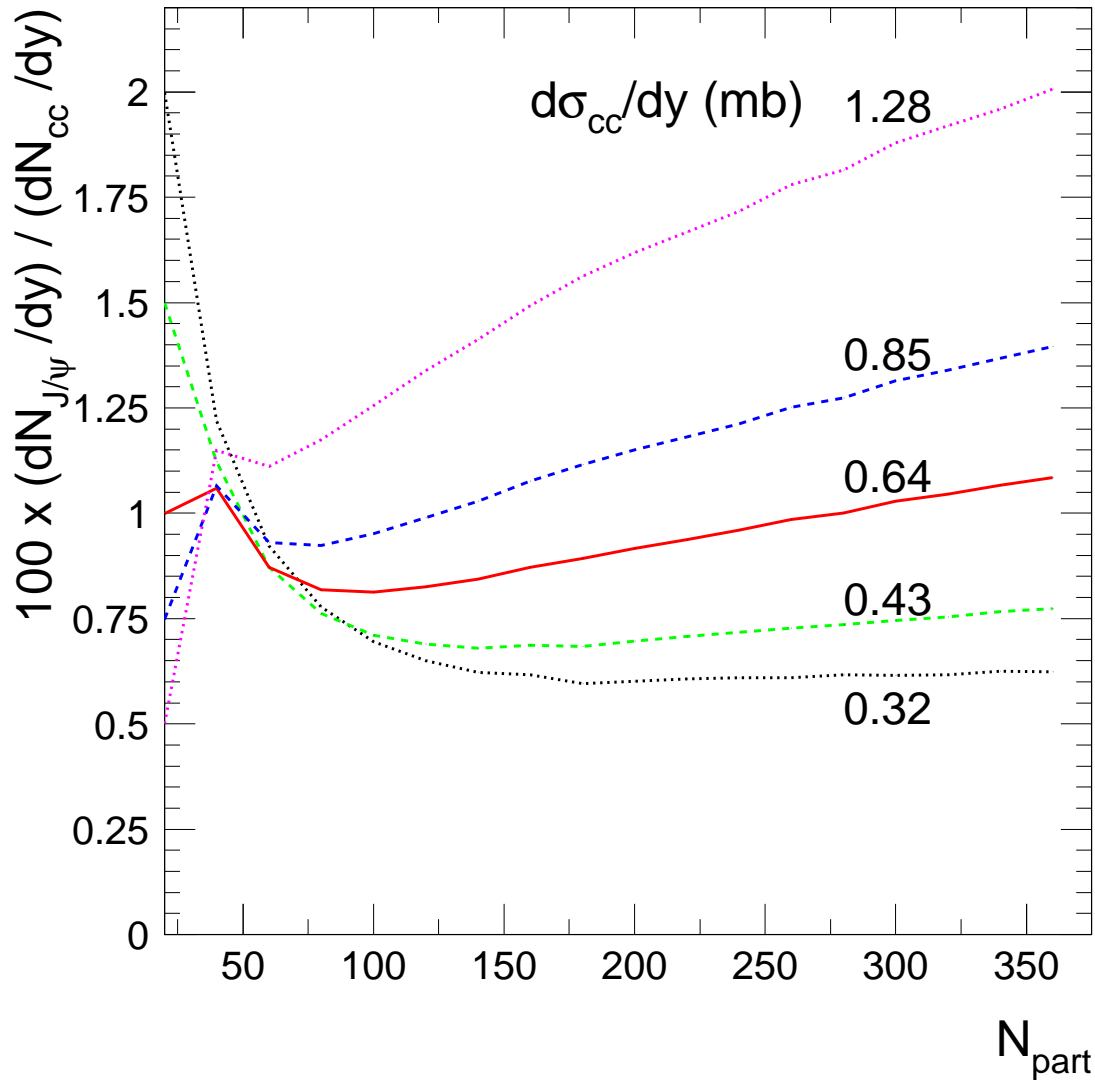
PLB 571 (2003) 36, NPA 789 (2007) 334, PLB 652 (2007) 259

this was for full LHC energy ... but is a generic prediction of the model

# Charmonium in the statistical hadronization model at LHC

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$$\frac{dN_{J/\psi}^{AA}/dy}{dN_{c\bar{c}}^{AA}/dy}$$

(“proxy” for  $R_{AA}$ )

- “enhancement” at the LHC

$$N_{J/\psi} \sim (N_{c\bar{c}}^{dir})^2$$

canonical suppression (mostly)  
lifted, quadratic term dominant

it can be more dramatic at FHC

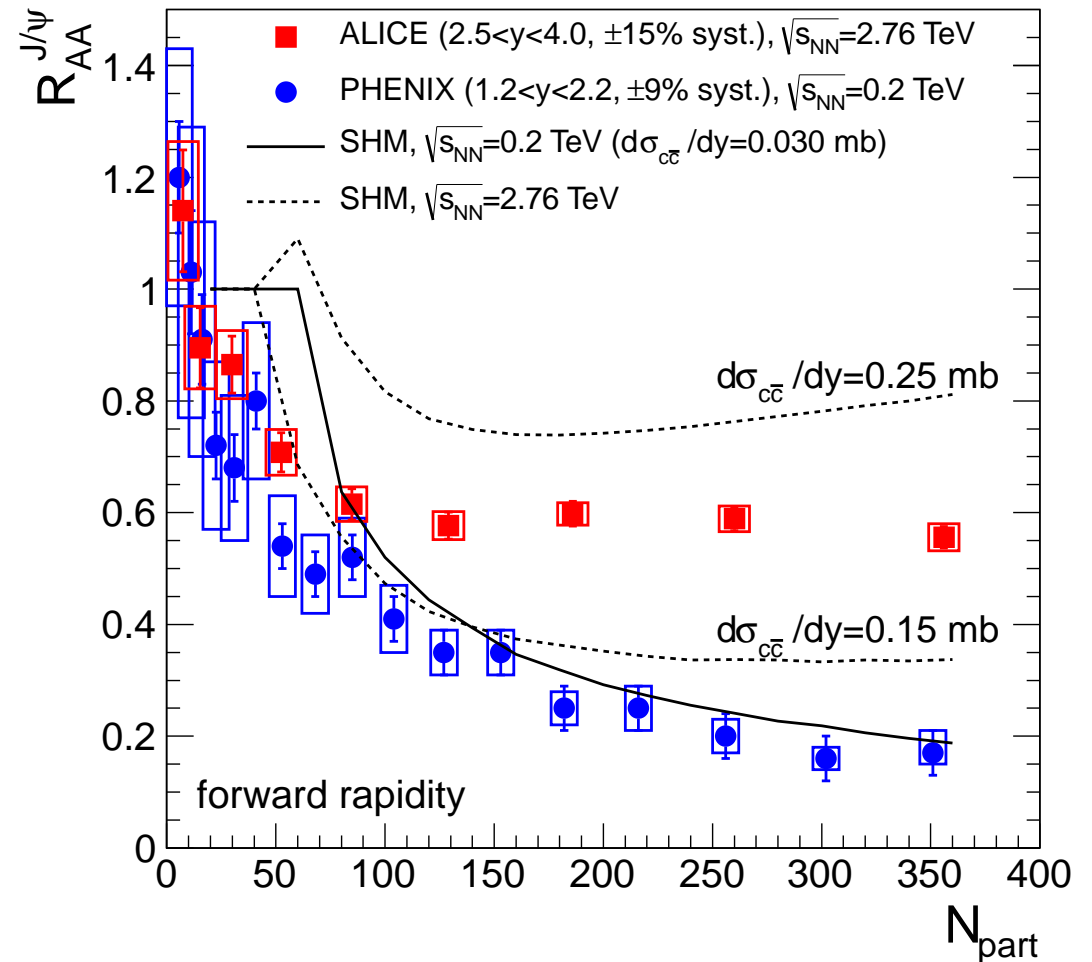
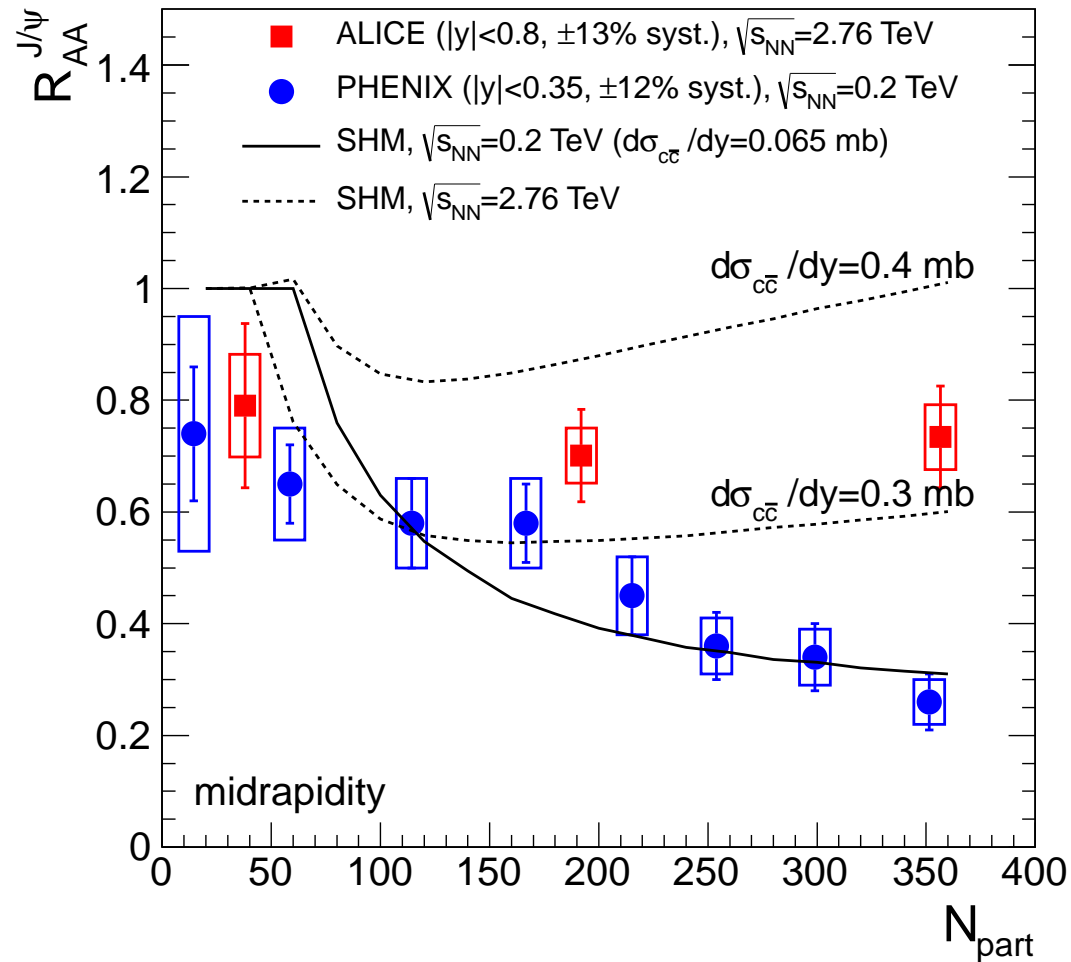
AA et al., in N. Armesto et al., “Last Call...”,  
JPG 35 (2008) 054001

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# Charmonium in the statistical hadronization model

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the generic prediction by the model is confirmed by data ALICE, PLB 734 (2014) 314  
establishes charmonium as an ultimate observable of the phase boundary



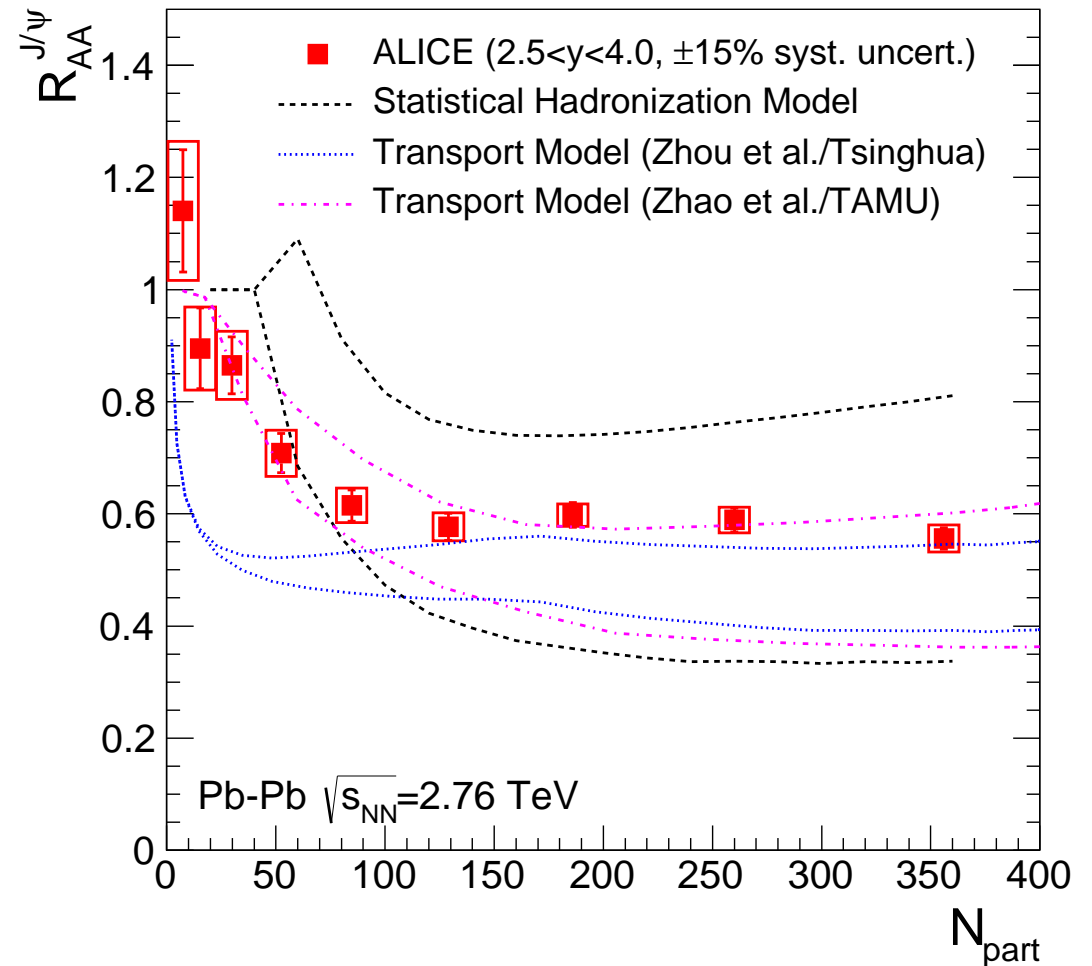
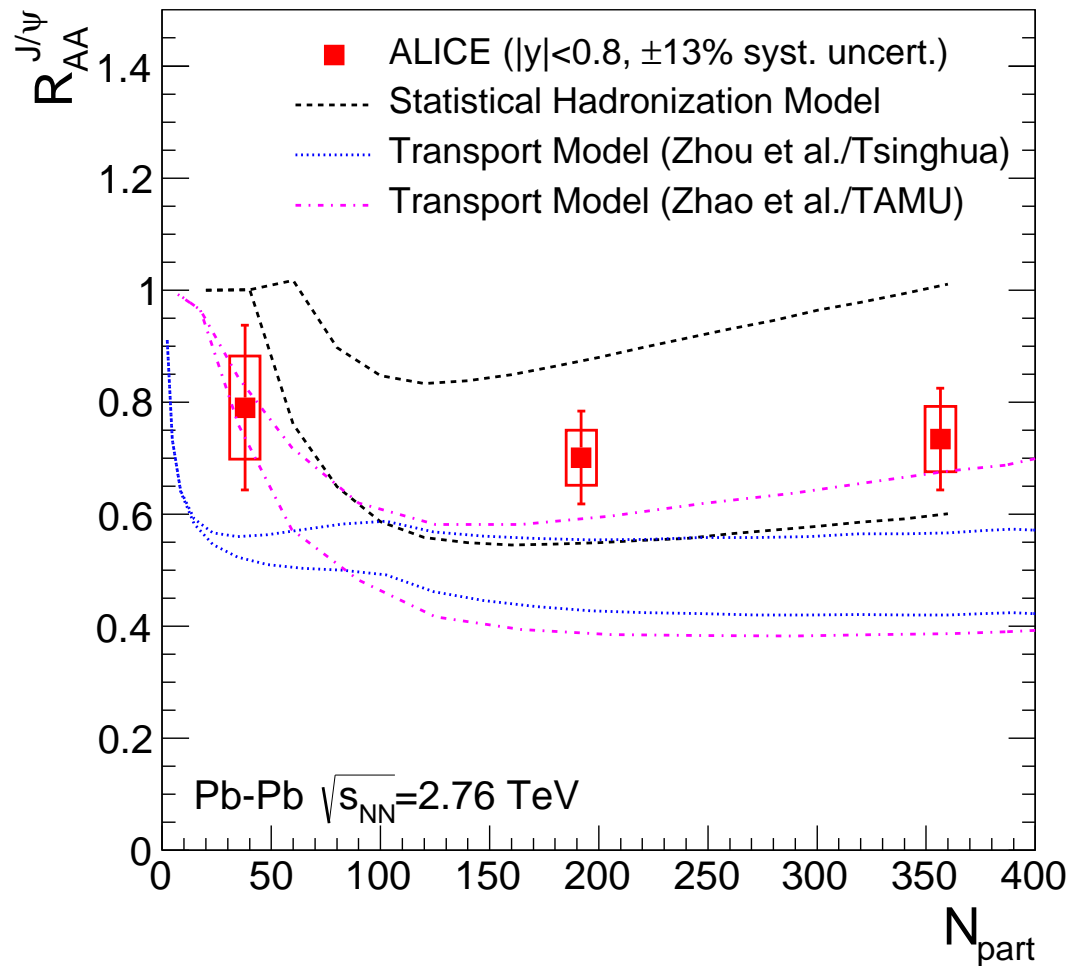
# More model comparisons (LHC)

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midrapidity

forward rapidity



Both model categories reproduce the data ... $d\sigma_{c\bar{c}}/dy$  values rather different:

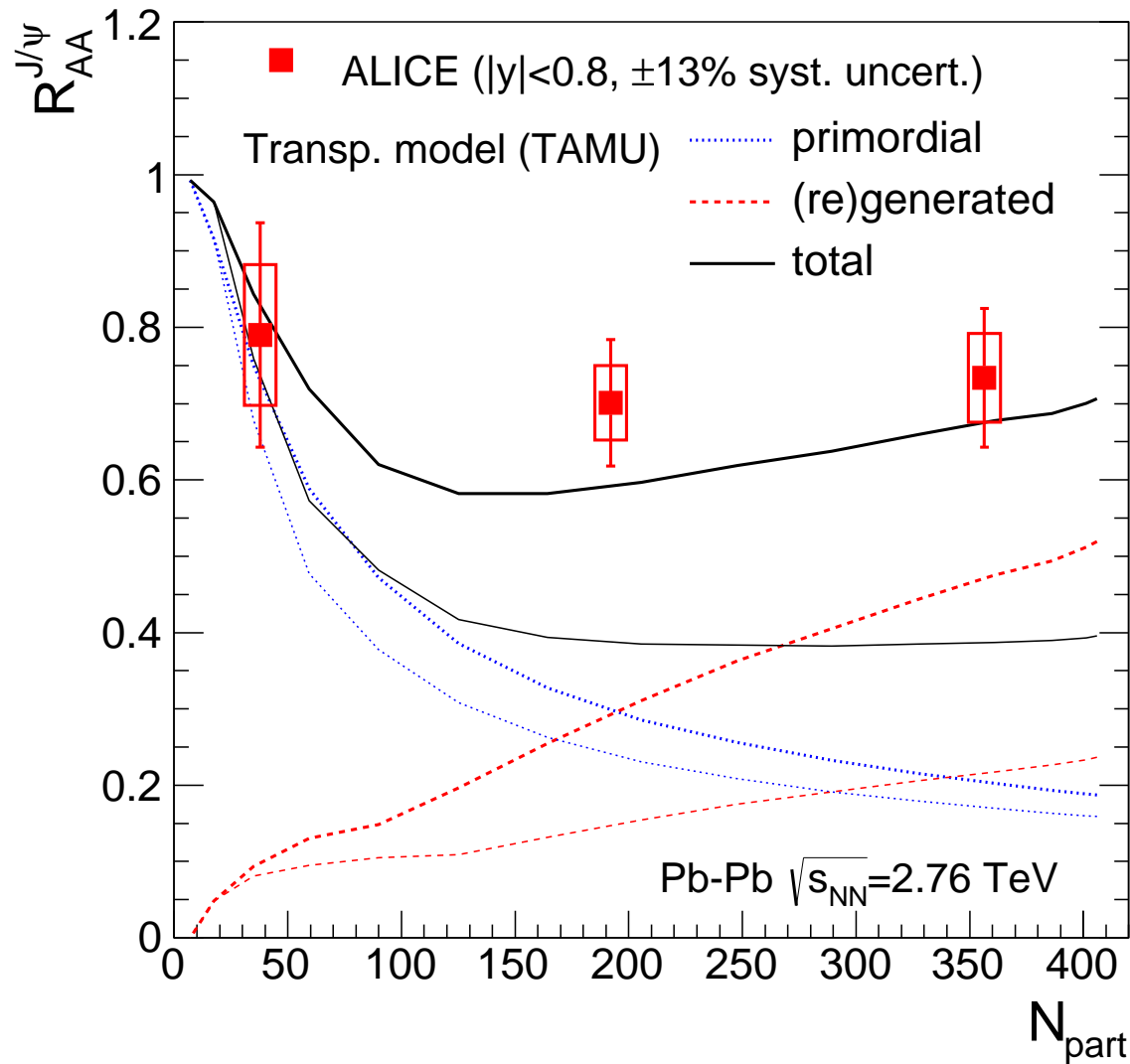
midrapidity: Stat. Hadr.: 0.3-0.4 mb (will go up with incl. of more open charm states)

Transport: 0.5-0.75 mb (TAMU), 0.65-0.8 mb (Tsinghua)

# Fractions primordial, (re)generated

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TAMU transport model:

Zhao et al., NPA 859 (2011) 114 and priv. comm.

similar fractions in the Tsinghua model

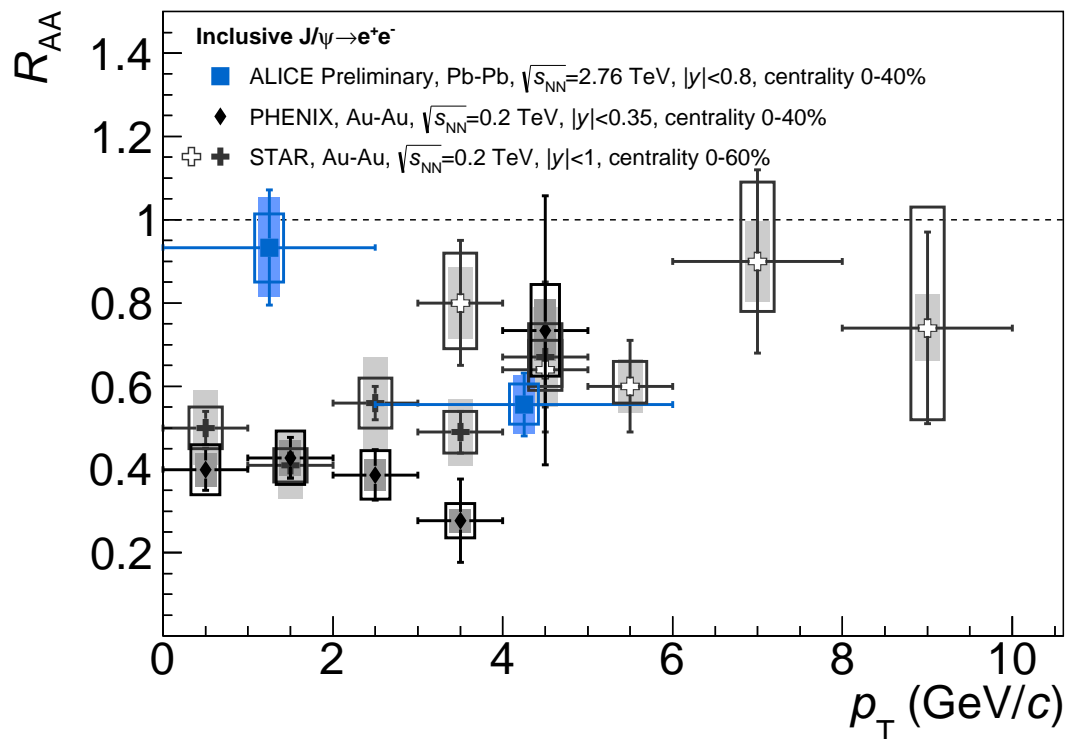
NB: not only regeneration but also generation

# J/ $\psi$ vs. $p_T$ - data

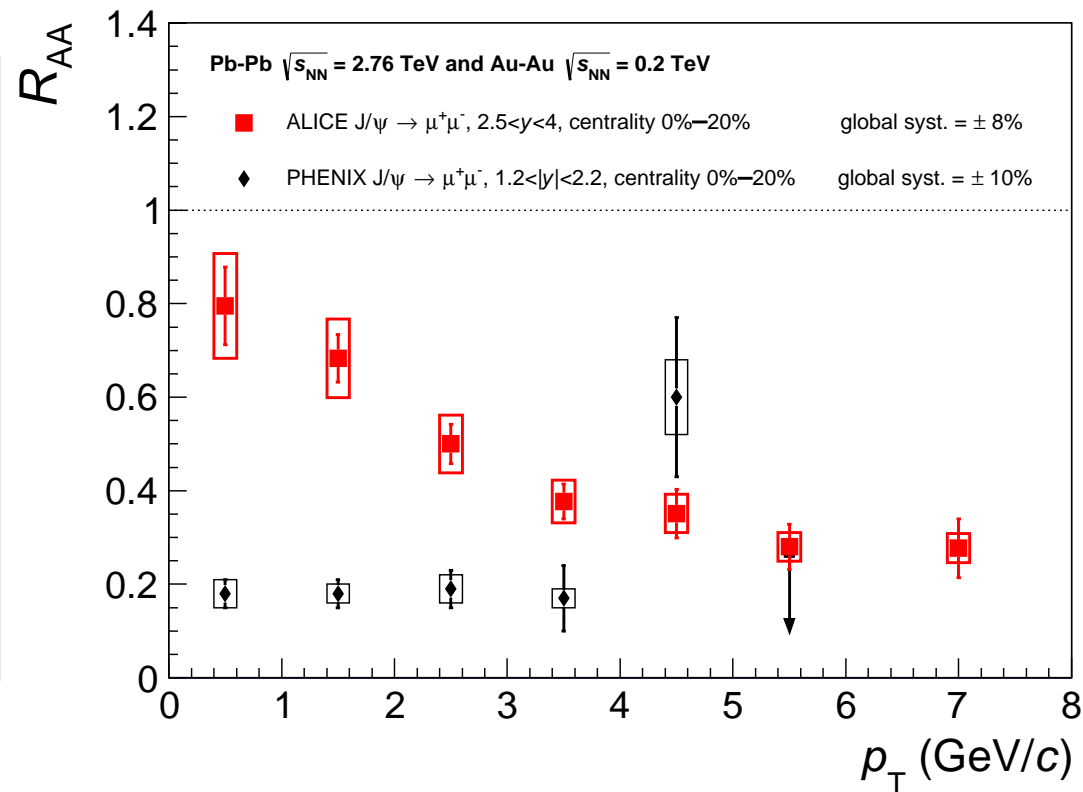
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midrapidity



forward rapidity



further support of (dominance of) a new production mechanism: “(re)generation”  
(re)generation in QGP or generation at chemical freeze-out (hadronization)

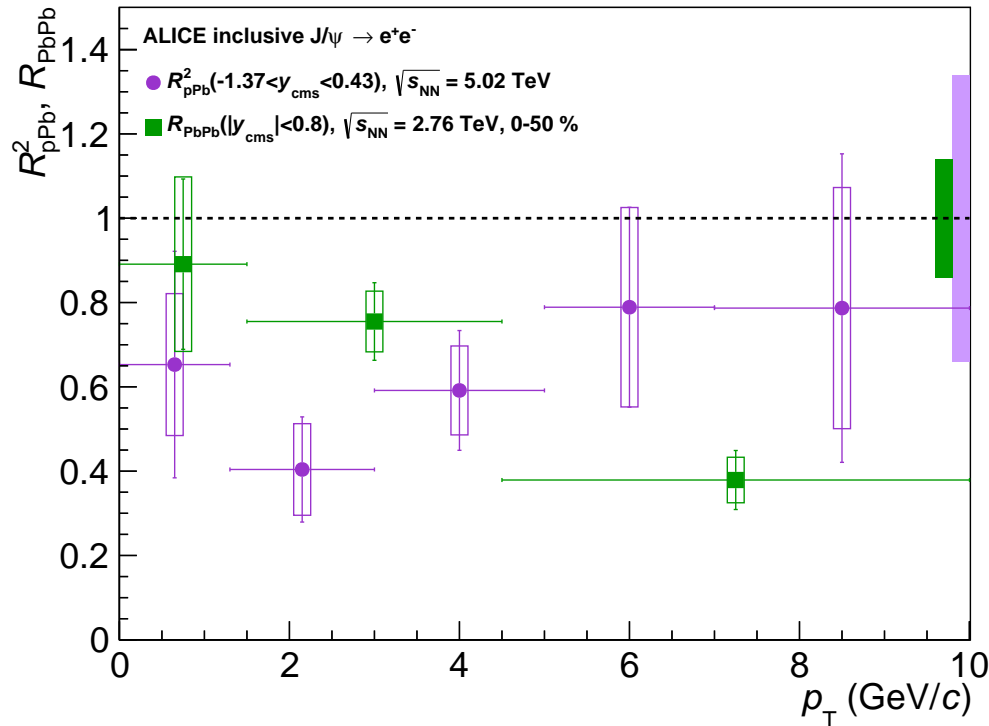
# J/ψ Pb–Pb in context (p–Pb)

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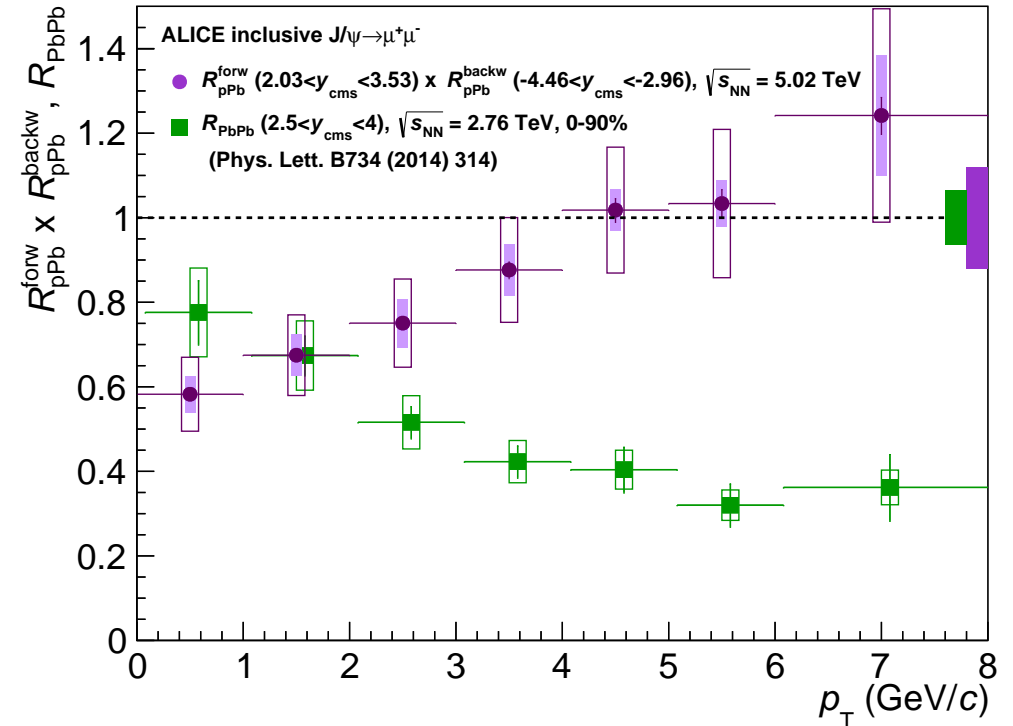
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ALICE, arXiv:1503.07179

midrapidity



forward rapidity



distinct differences between Pb–Pb and p–Pb, further support that low- $p_T$  J/ψ are from (re)generation (while high- $p_T$  is result of charm energy loss)

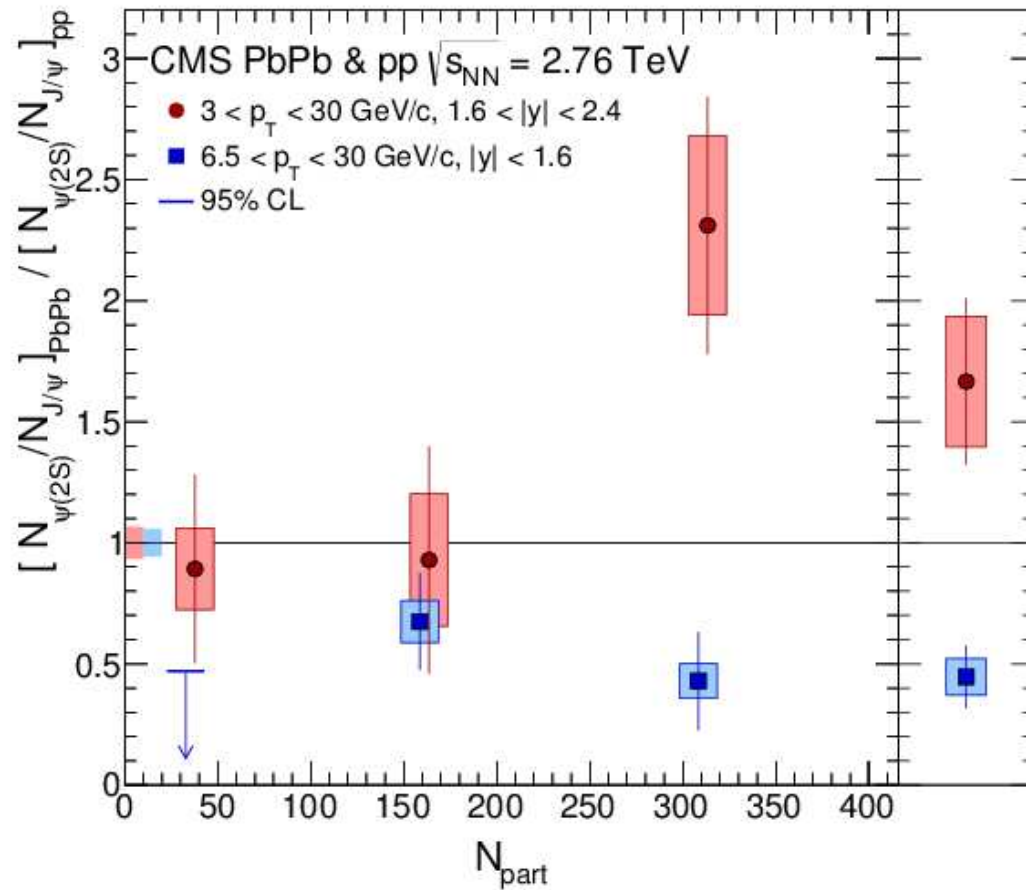
tantalizing implication for Pb–Pb:  $R_{AA} > 1$  (at low  $p_T$ ) *if-more-charm*

...cannot turn off shadowing, but means we may see this at the top LHC energy

# $\psi(2S)$ production at the LHC

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$$R = \frac{N_{Pb-Pb}^{\psi(2S)} / N_{Pb-Pb}^{J/\psi}}{N_{pp}^{\psi(2S)} / N_{pp}^{J/\psi}} = \frac{R_{AA}^{\psi(2S)}}{R_{AA}^{J/\psi}}$$

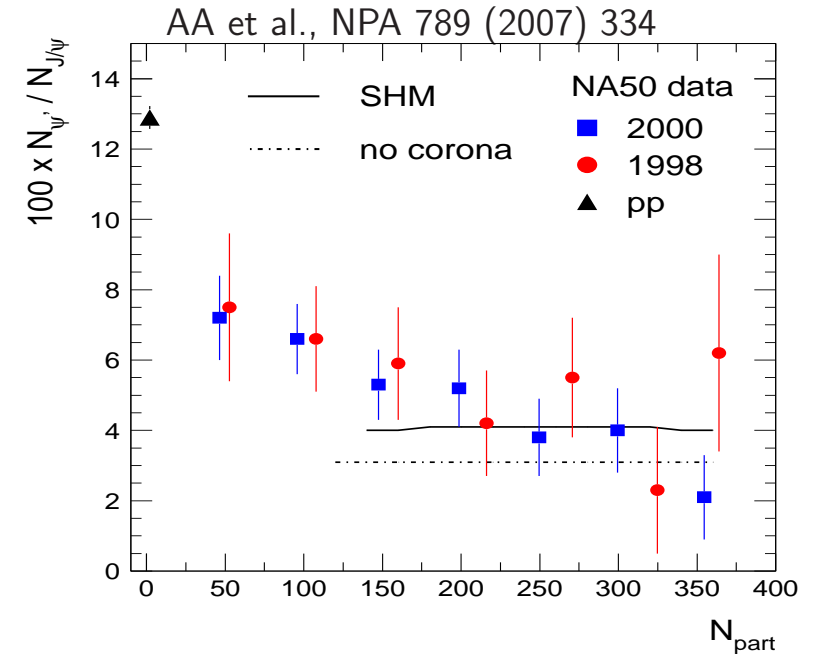
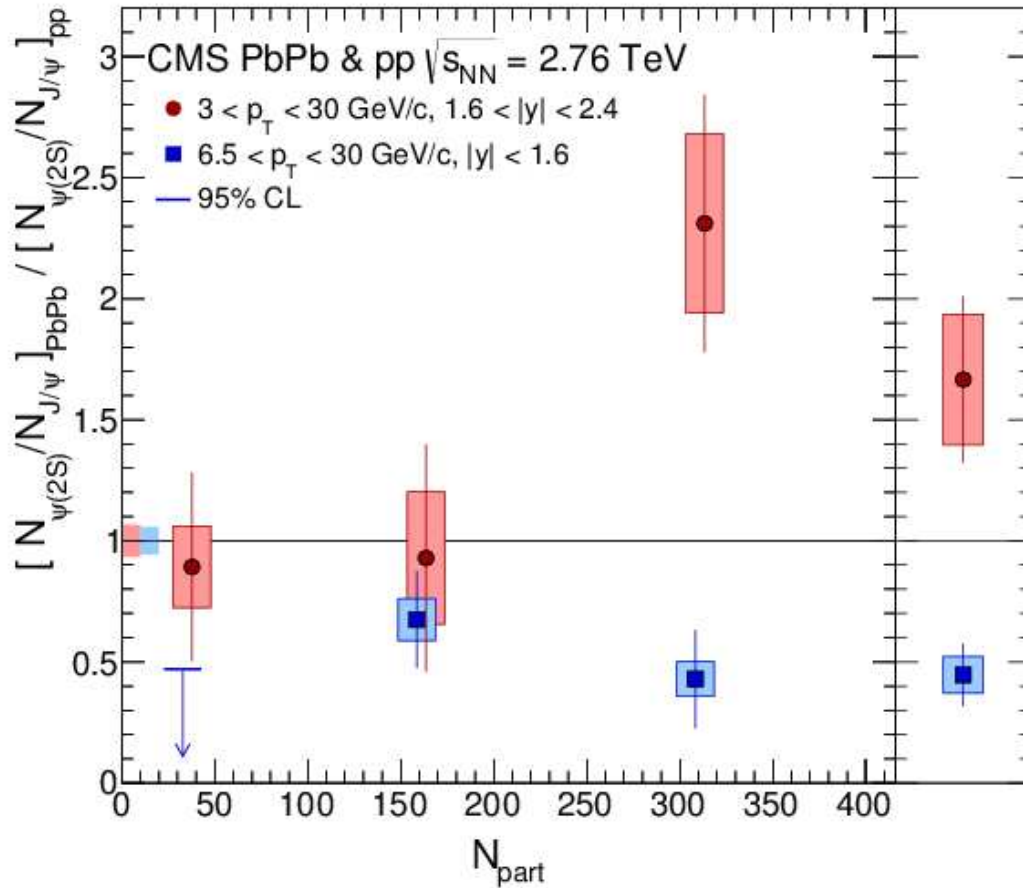
$N$  - production yields

mind  $p_T$  ranges

# $\psi(2S)$ production at the LHC

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at SPS:  $R \simeq 0.24$   
( $p_T$ -integrated)

...evidence against sequential  
dissociation?

CMS, PRL 113 (2014) 262301

Data on other charmonium states is crucial ... $\psi(2S)$  is the focus

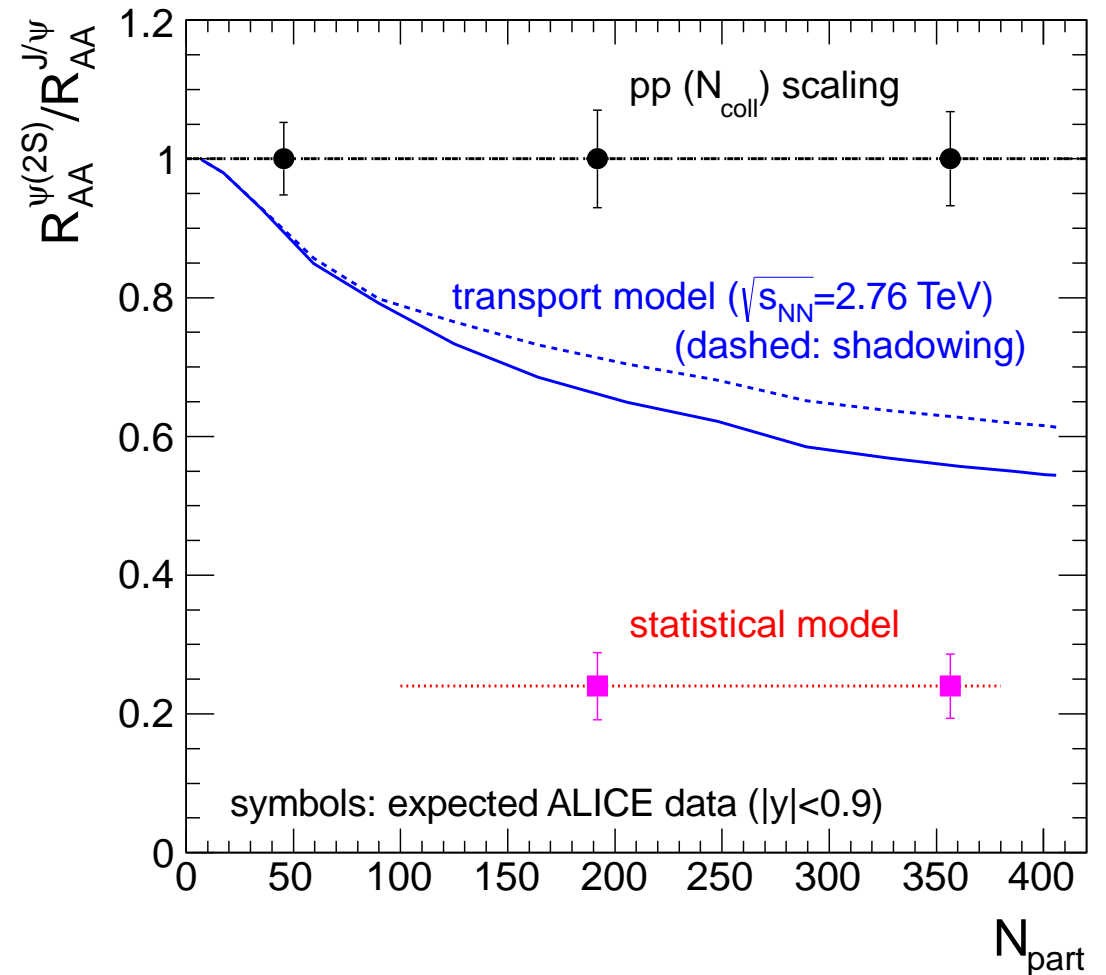
# The weight of the $\psi(2S)$ measurement

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$R < 1$  expected in both models,  
different magnitudes predicted  
( $p_T$ -integrated)

Transport model:  
Zhao, Rapp, NPA 859 (2011) 114  
and priv. comm.

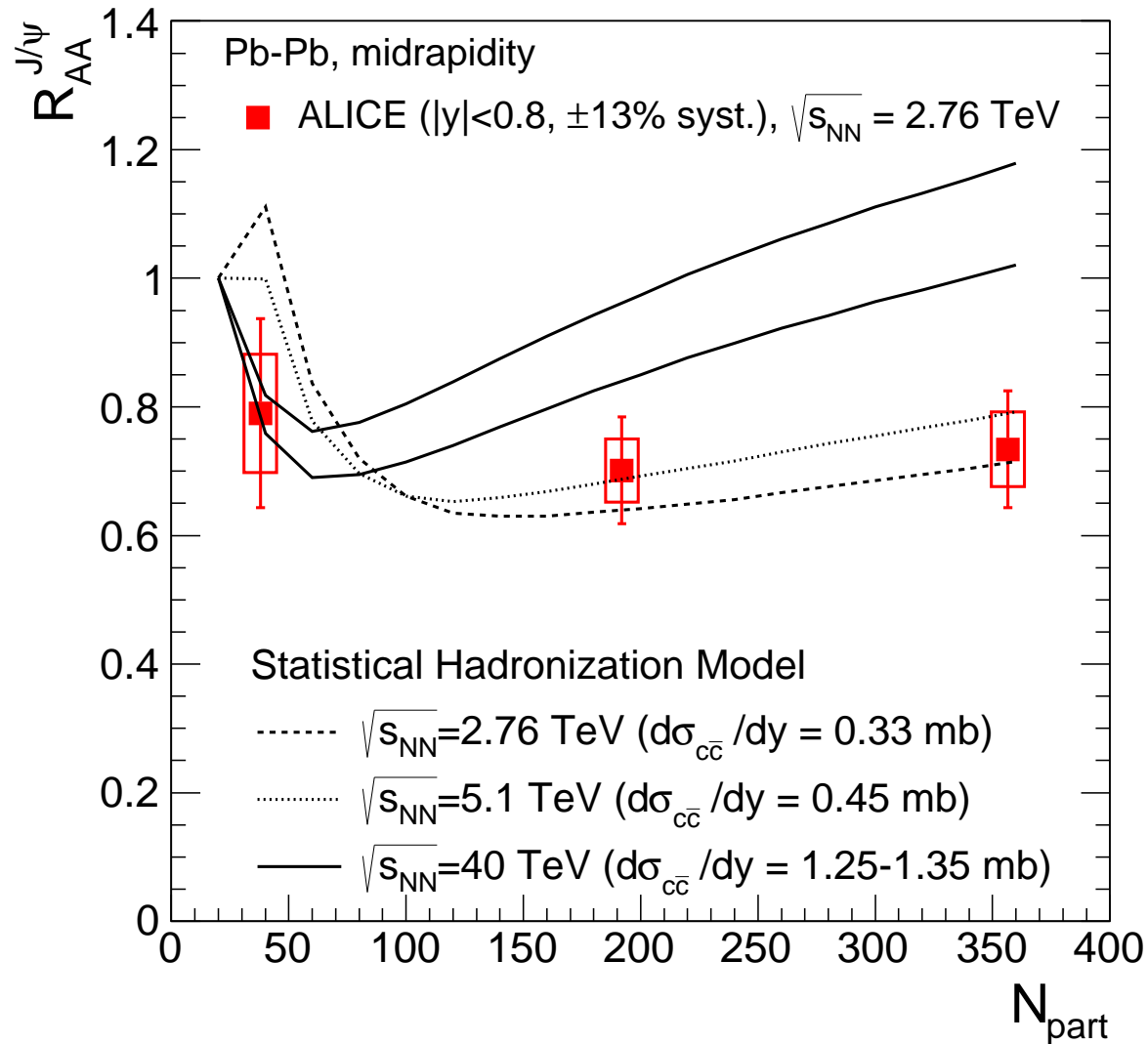


Central Barrel: measurement possible only with upgrade ( $10 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ )  
Muon Spectrometer: a first glimpse with baseline data ( $1 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ ), a real  
measurement only with upgrade

# Outlook for $J/\psi$

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modest increase for 5.1 TeV  
...due to modest increase in  $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$   
(slightly larger at forward  $y$ )

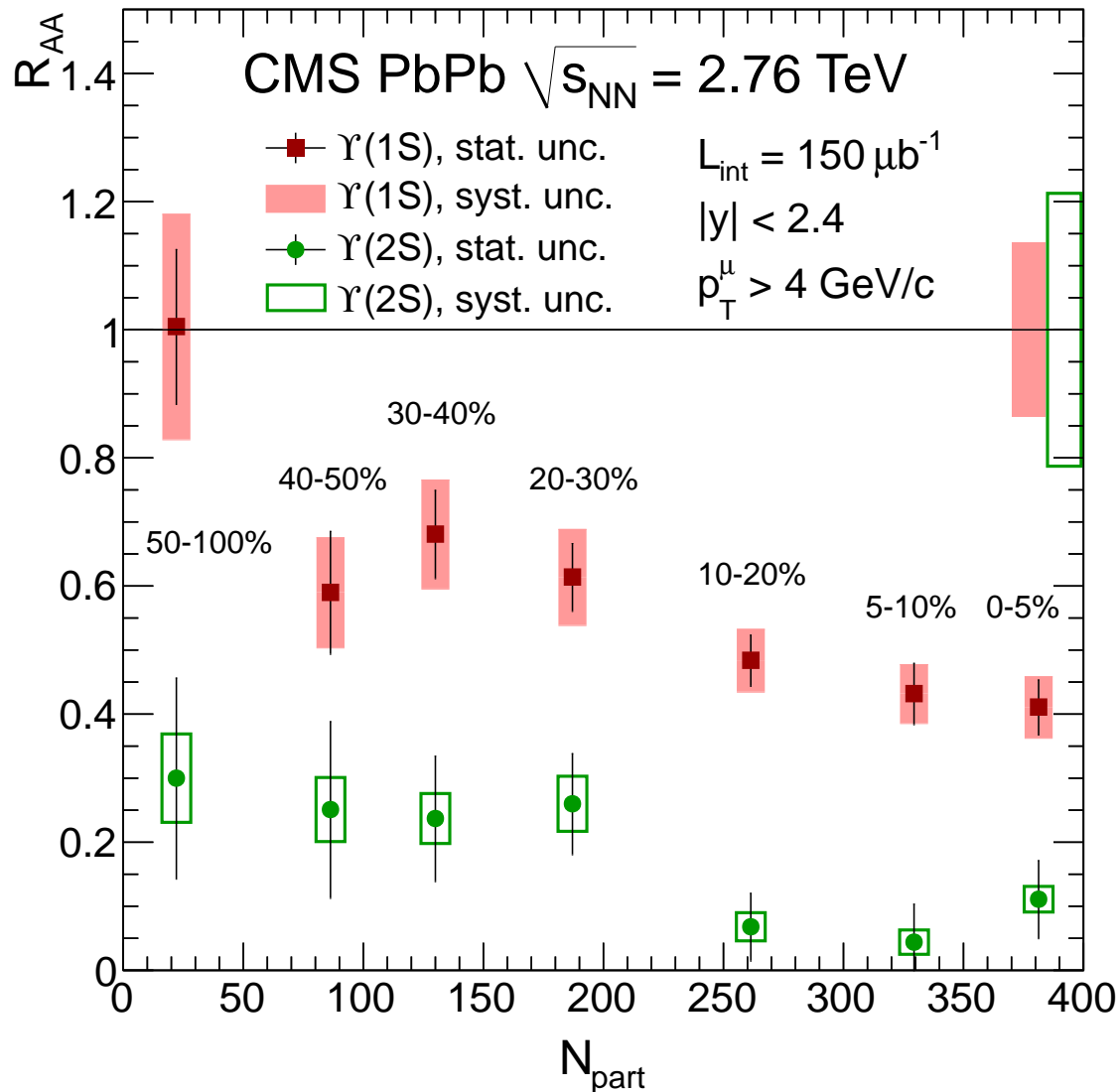
increasing trend vs.  $N_{part}$  at FCC



# Bottomonium at the LHC

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CMS, PRL 109 (2012) 222301

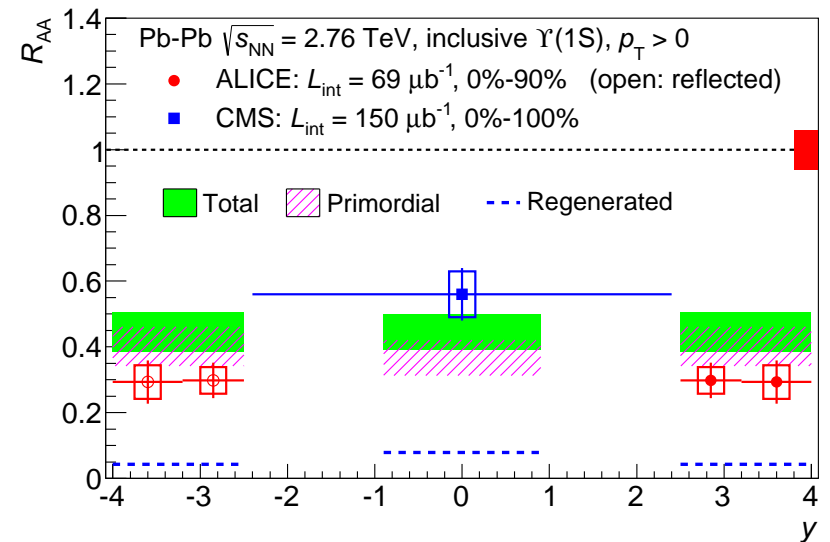
interpreted as effect of (almost:) full  
dissoc. of  $\Upsilon(2S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(3S)$ ,  $\chi_b$

Transport models:

Emerick et al./TAMU, EPJA 48 (2012) 72

Zhuang, arXiv:1408.3900

(re)gen. component small ( $\lesssim 10\%$ )

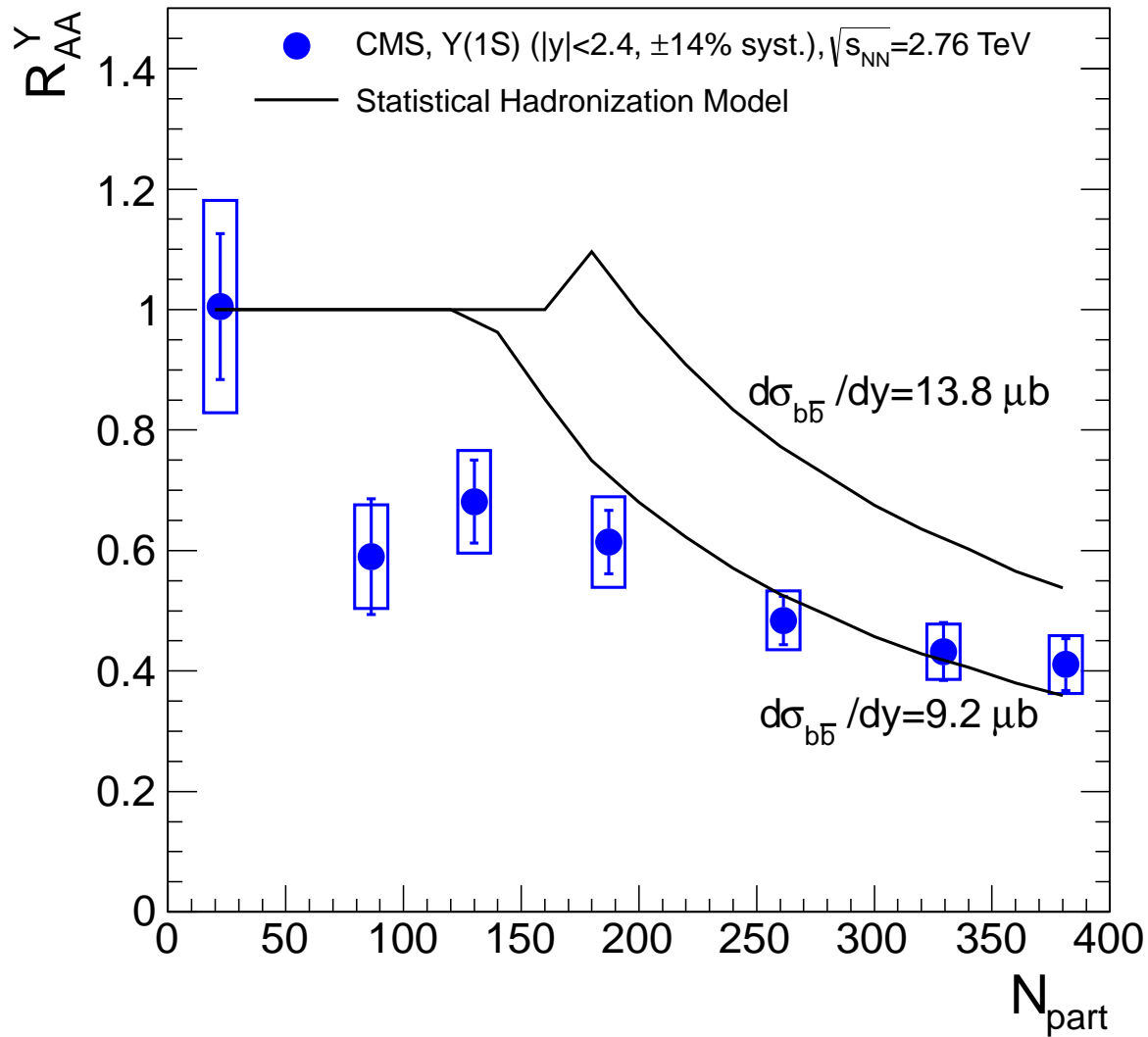


ALICE, arXiv:1405.4493

# Bottomonium at the LHC in SHM

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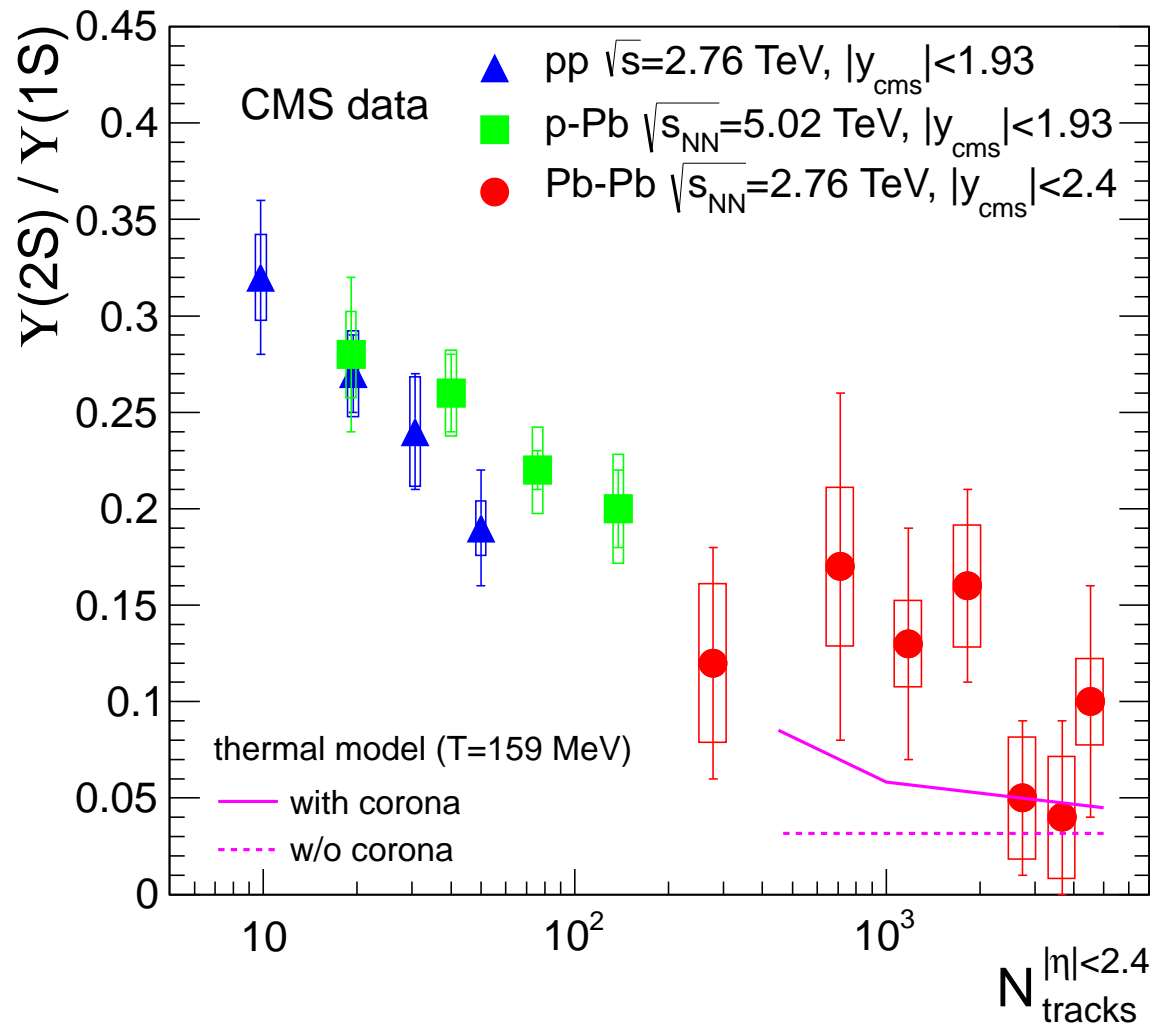
$$\frac{d\sigma_{b\bar{b}}}{dy} = 13.8 \mu\text{b} \text{ (MNR } \times 0.8 \text{ shad.)}$$

fair description by model

# Bottomonium ratios

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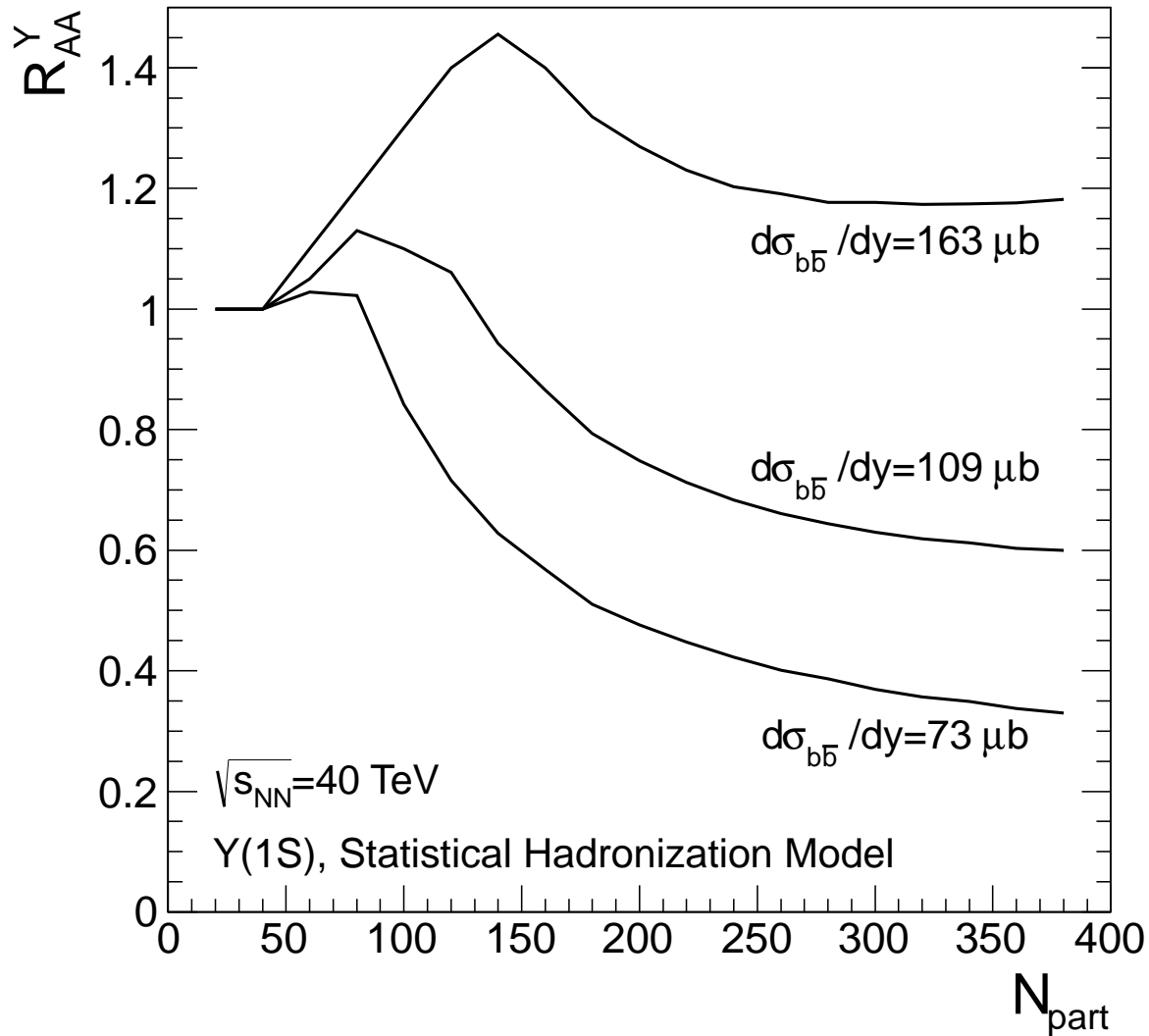


statistical model describes central Pb-Pb data

# Bottomonium at the FCC in SHM

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$$\frac{d\sigma_{b\bar{b}}}{dy} = 109 \mu\text{b} \text{ (MNR } \times 0.7 \text{ shad.)}$$

$$V = 12000 \text{ fm}^3$$

Y(1S) in pp: 7 TeV data scaled by  
MNR factor of  $\sigma_{b\bar{b}}$

the story of quarkonium as a “golden probe” for QGP is rather intricate  
(I think:) everybody agrees that we see (re)combination of charm quarks at LHC  
...(in QGP and/or) at the phase boundary ...maybe similar at RHIC (SPS?)  
model results dependent on  $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$ , to be better constrained by measurements  
interesting (sequential?) “disappearance” pattern in the bottom ( $\Upsilon$ ) sector  
do bottom quarks also thermalize at the LHC? (at RHIC?)  
will  $\Upsilon$  add more weight to the phase boundary?  
a wealth of data (and puzzling too) in d-Au (RHIC) and p-Pb (LHC) awaits  
better understanding  
while measurements at the LHC at 5.1 TeV are eagerly awaited  
...strong bet:  $R_{AA}^{J/\psi}$  will increase

## ...and the last flavor

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“getting hands dirty” ...by doing (transition radiation) detectors

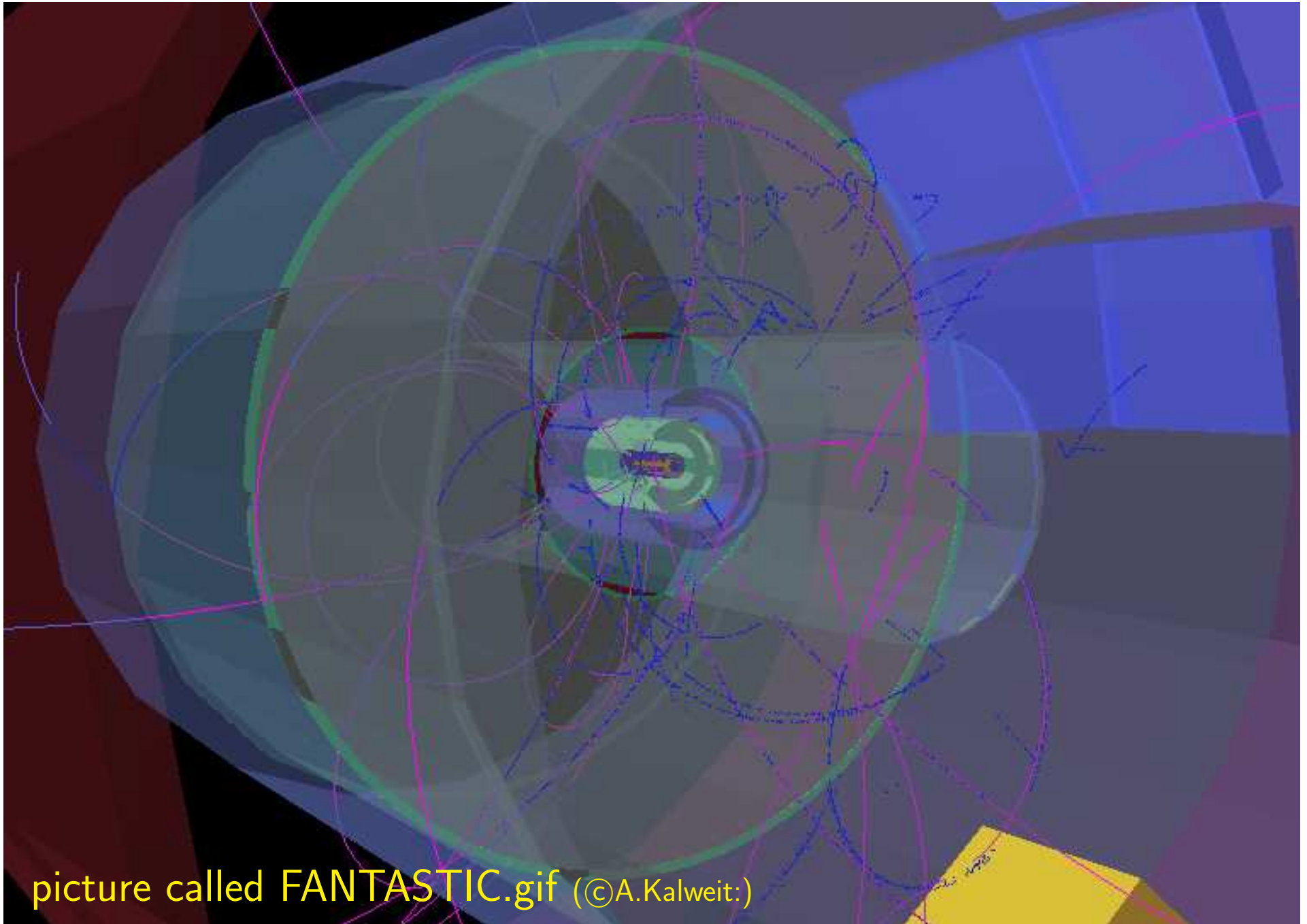
The 3rd “transition” in Johanna’s scientific career (she’s its Project Leader)

GSI, Dec. 2008 (chamber completion)



# First events (Sun, 6 Dec 2009 08:05)

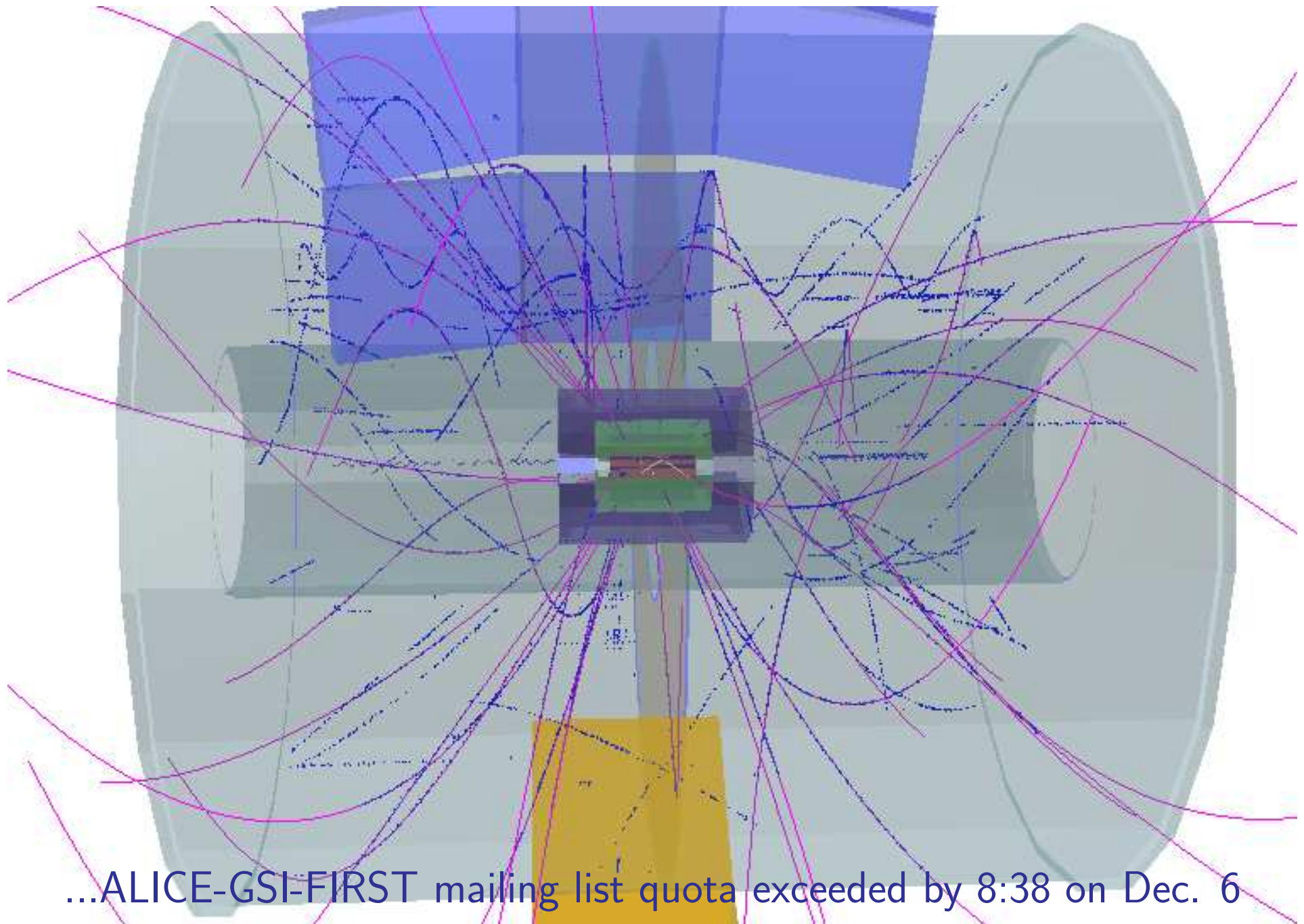
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Another Fantastic event (Mail subject, Sun, 6 Dec 2009 08:38)

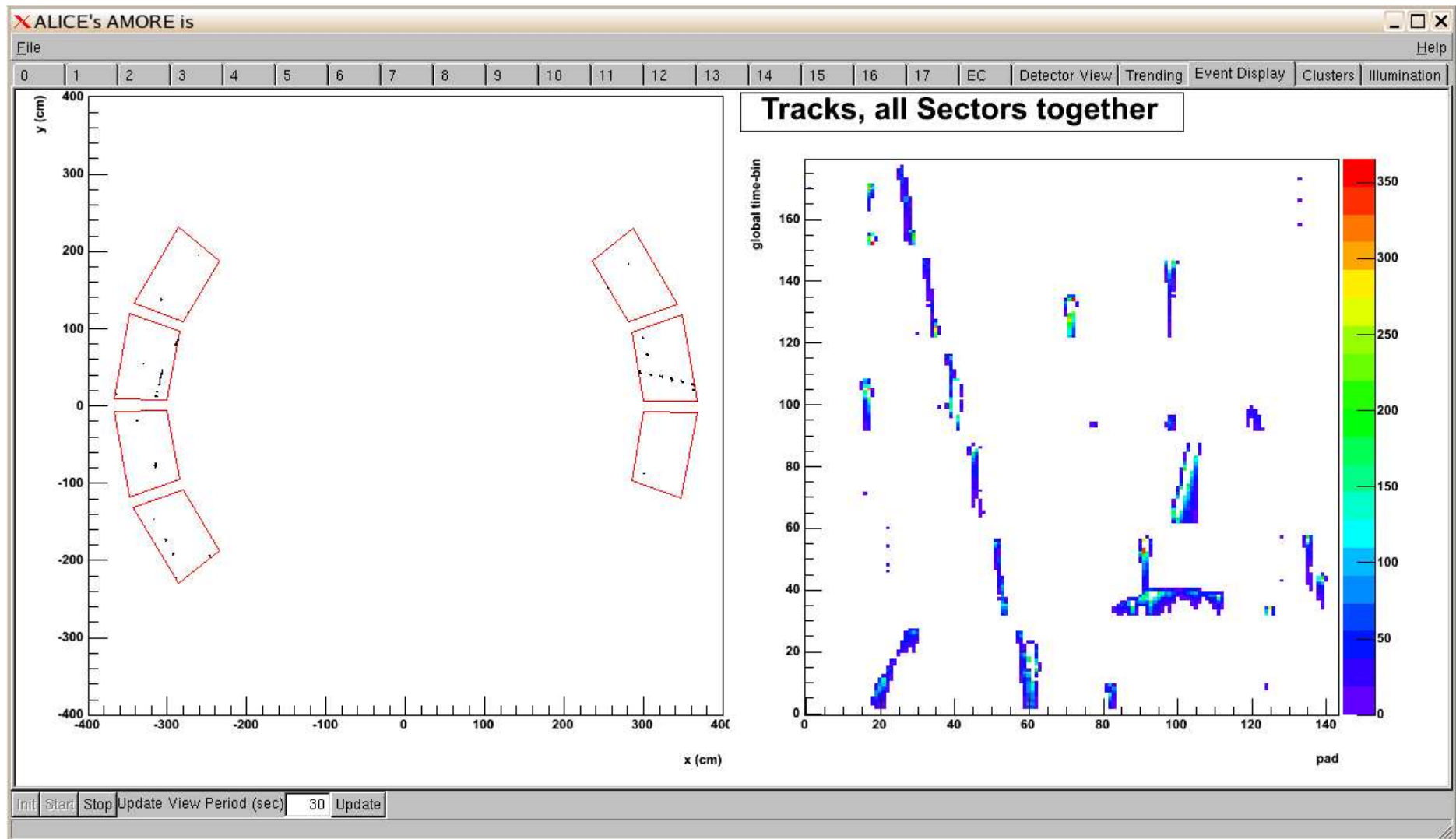
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# Transition Radiation Detector (Sun, 6 Dec 2009 08:53)

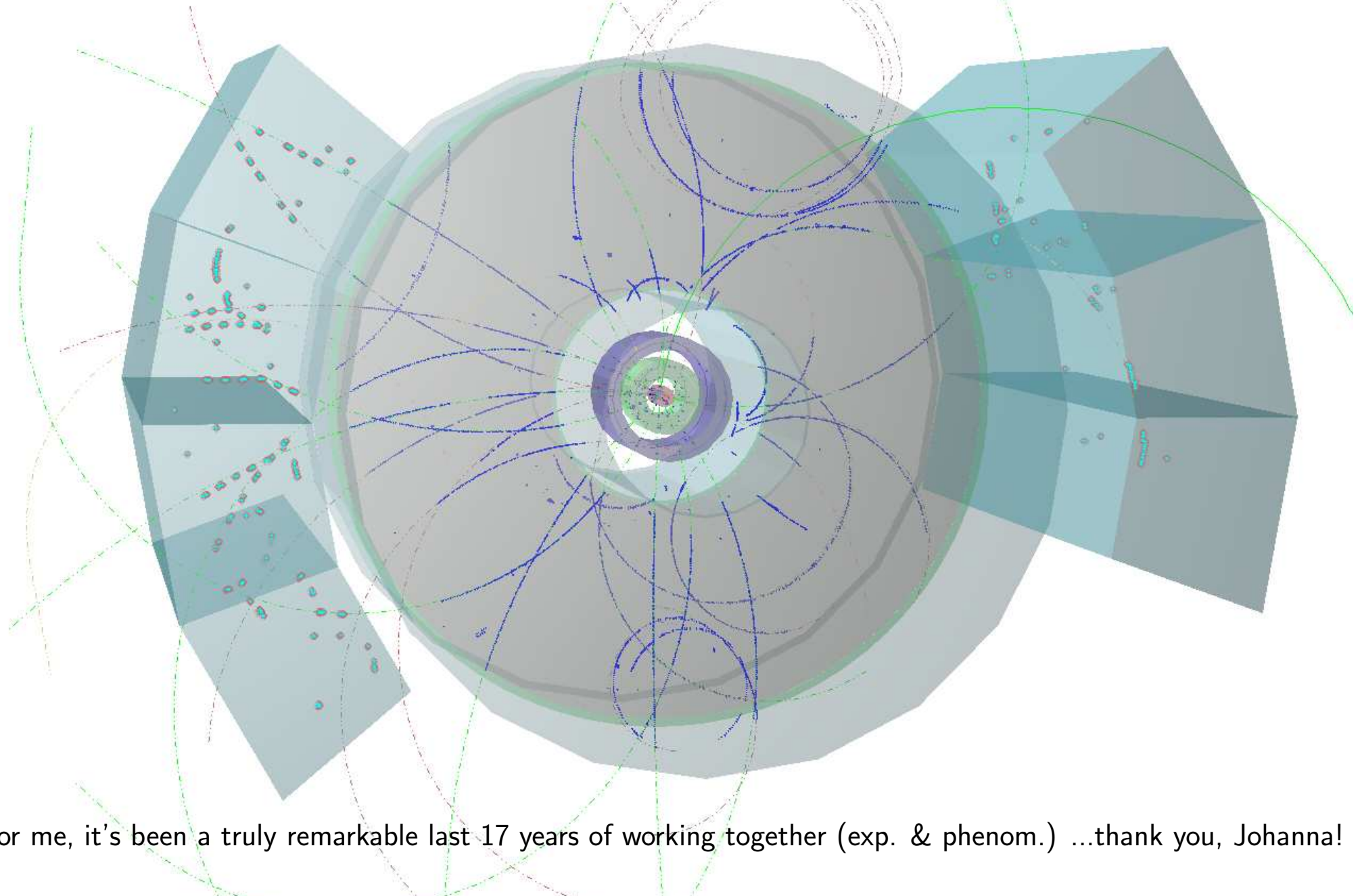


Johanna's energy pushed it through LoI, Sept. 1998; TDR, Oct. 2001; completion, Dec. 2014

“It has been a truly remarkable 24 days.” (Steve Myers, 18.12.2009)



[ ALICE collected its first 1/2 mil. events (pp) ]



for me, it's been a truly remarkable last 17 years of working together (exp. & phenom.) ...thank you, Johanna!

# Backup slides

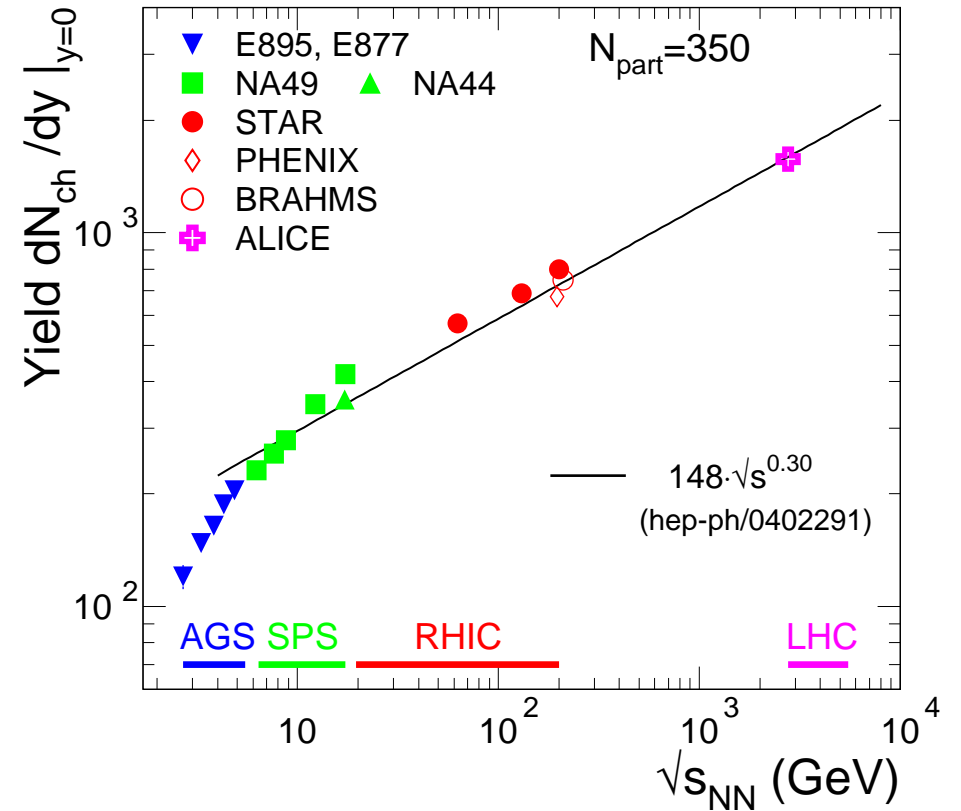
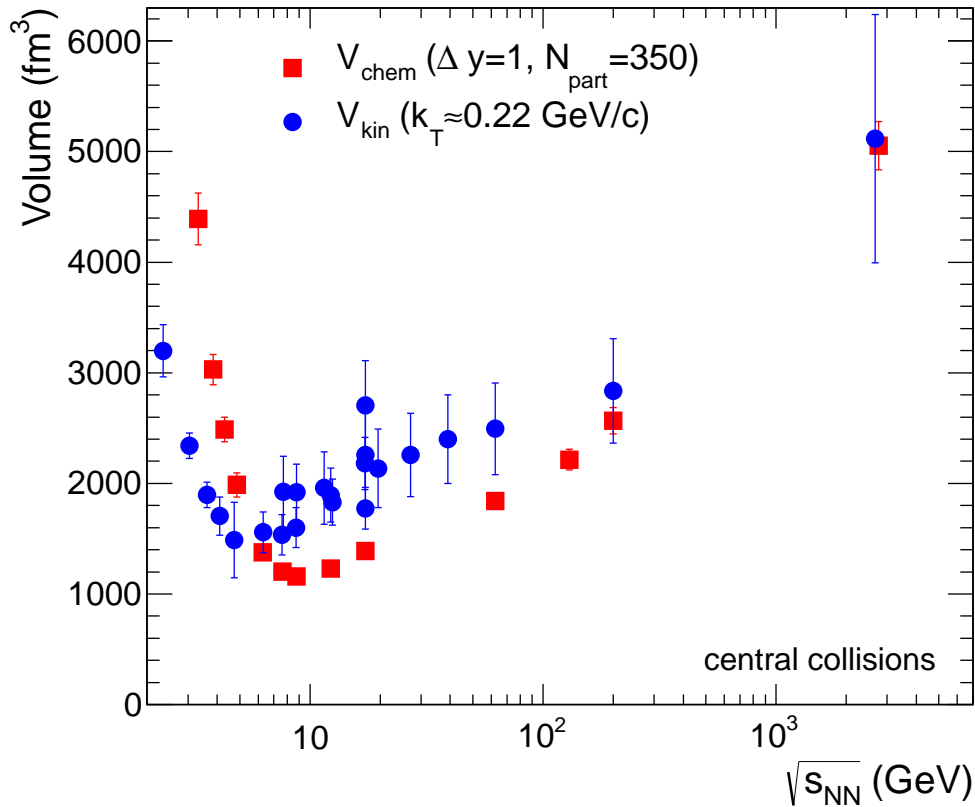
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# Volume in central collisions

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$$V_{chem}(\Delta y = 1) = dN_{ch}/dy|_{y=0}/n_{ch}^{therm}$$



$$V_{kin} = V_{HBT} = (2\pi)^{3/2} R_{side}^2 R_{long}$$

HBT data: ALICE, PLB 696, 328 (2011)

5.1 TeV:  $V = 6400 \text{ fm}^3$

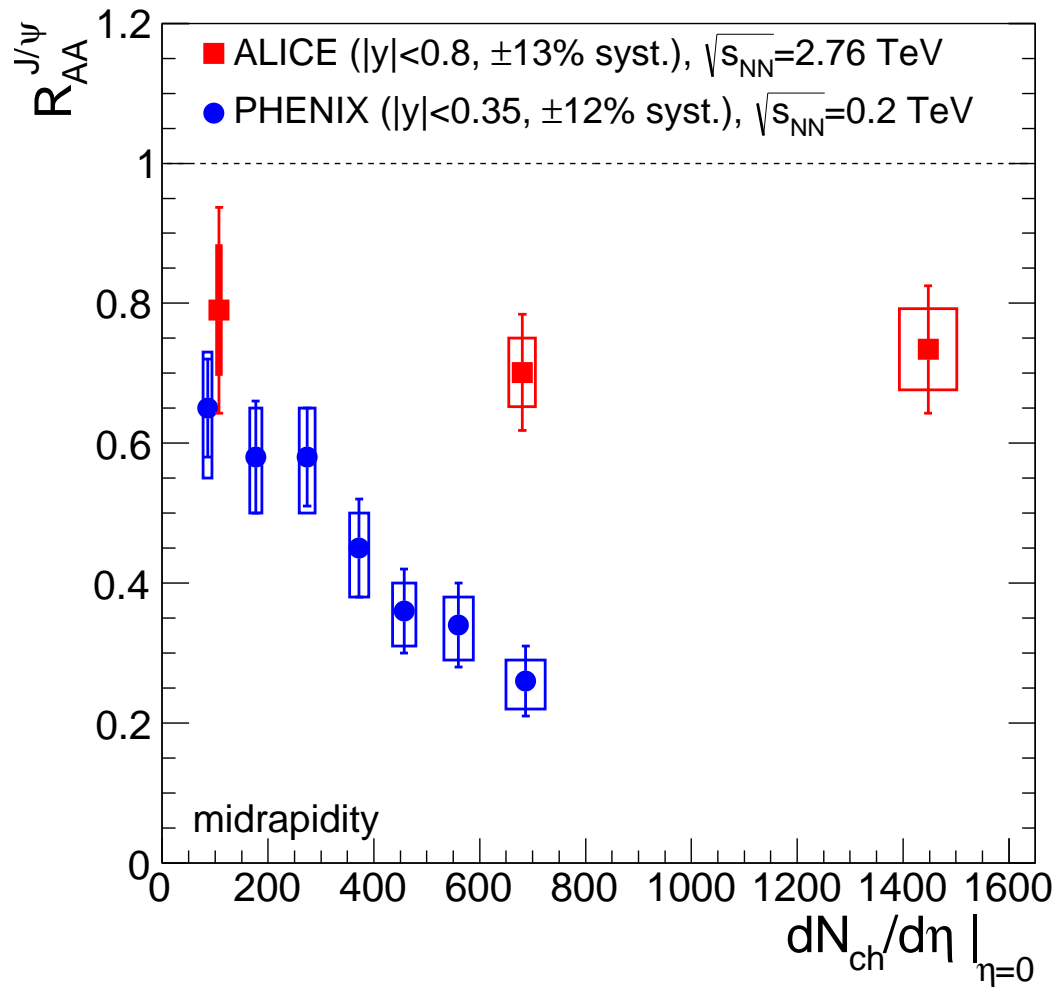
40 TeV:  $V = 12000 \text{ fm}^3$  ( $2.2 \times V_{2.76}$ )

# Charmonium data at RHIC and the LHC

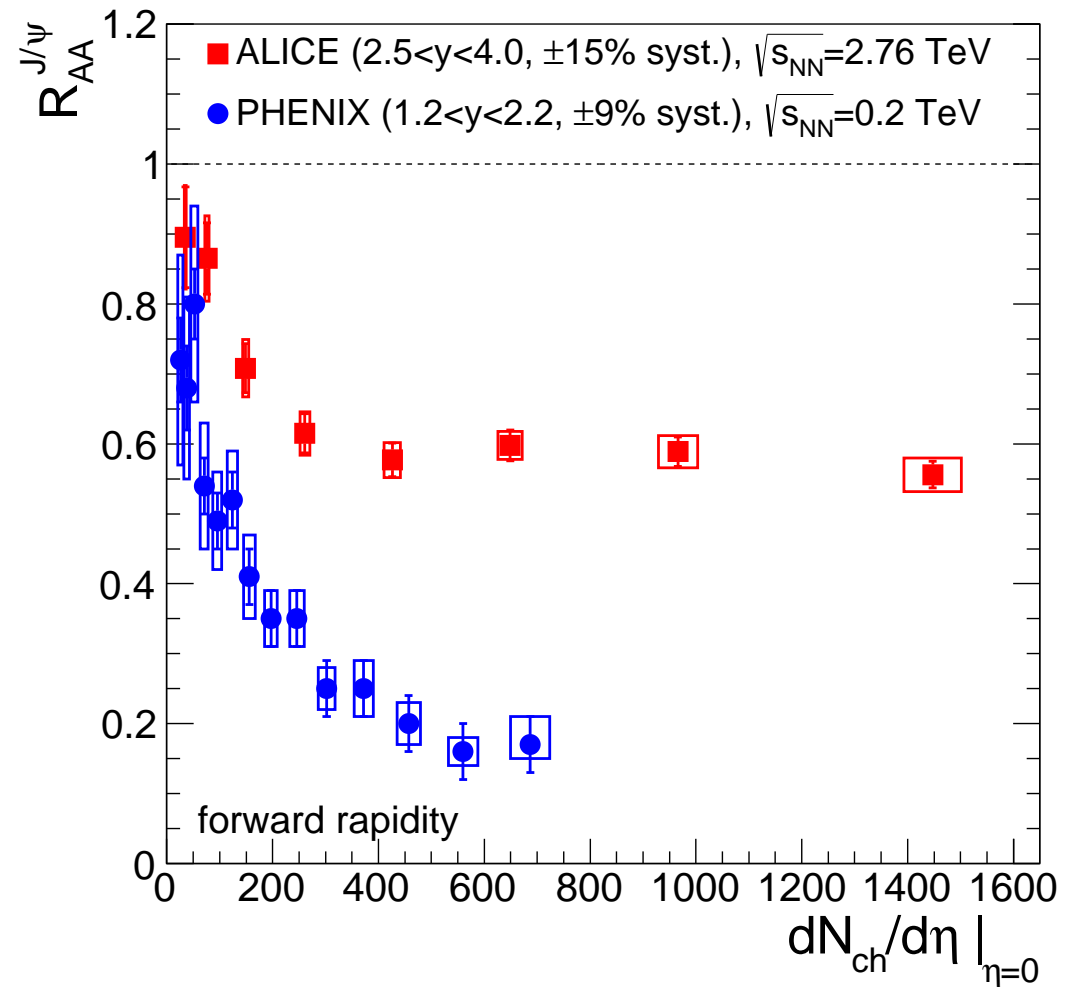
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midrapidity



forward rapidity

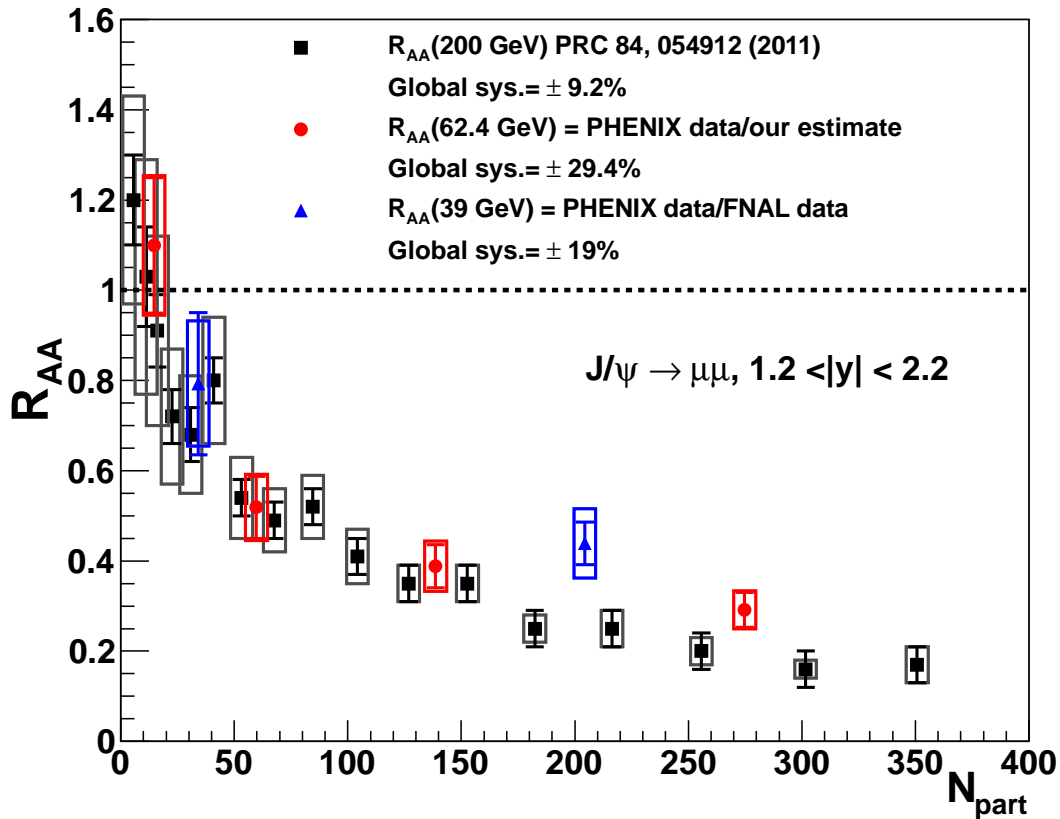


$$dN_{ch}/d\eta \sim \varepsilon$$

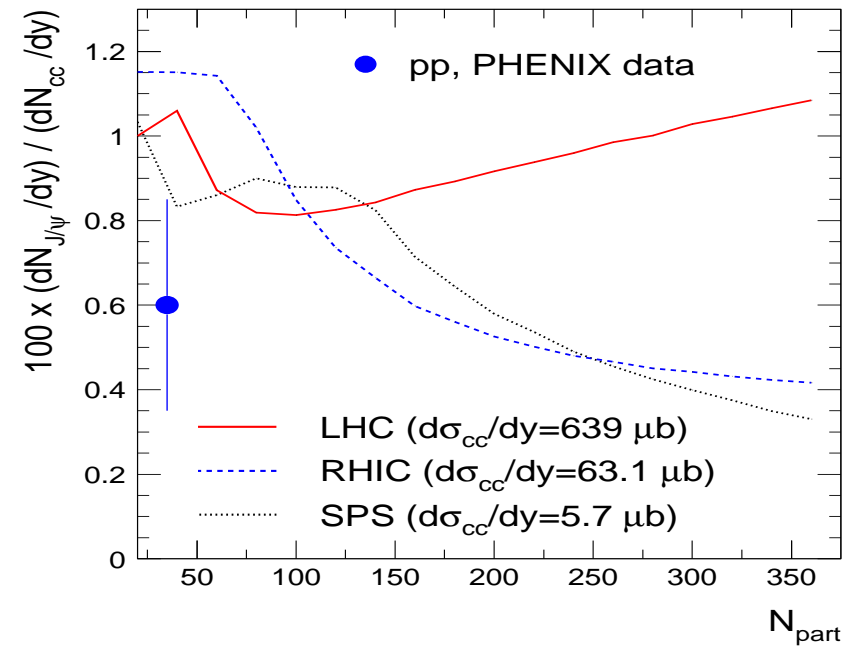
# J/ψ at RHIC, lower energies

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seen already with the SPS data  
 ...and “seen” in the stat. hadr. model



AA et al., NPA 789 (2007) 334

...and in transport models (TAMU)

PHENIX, PRC 86 (2012) 064901

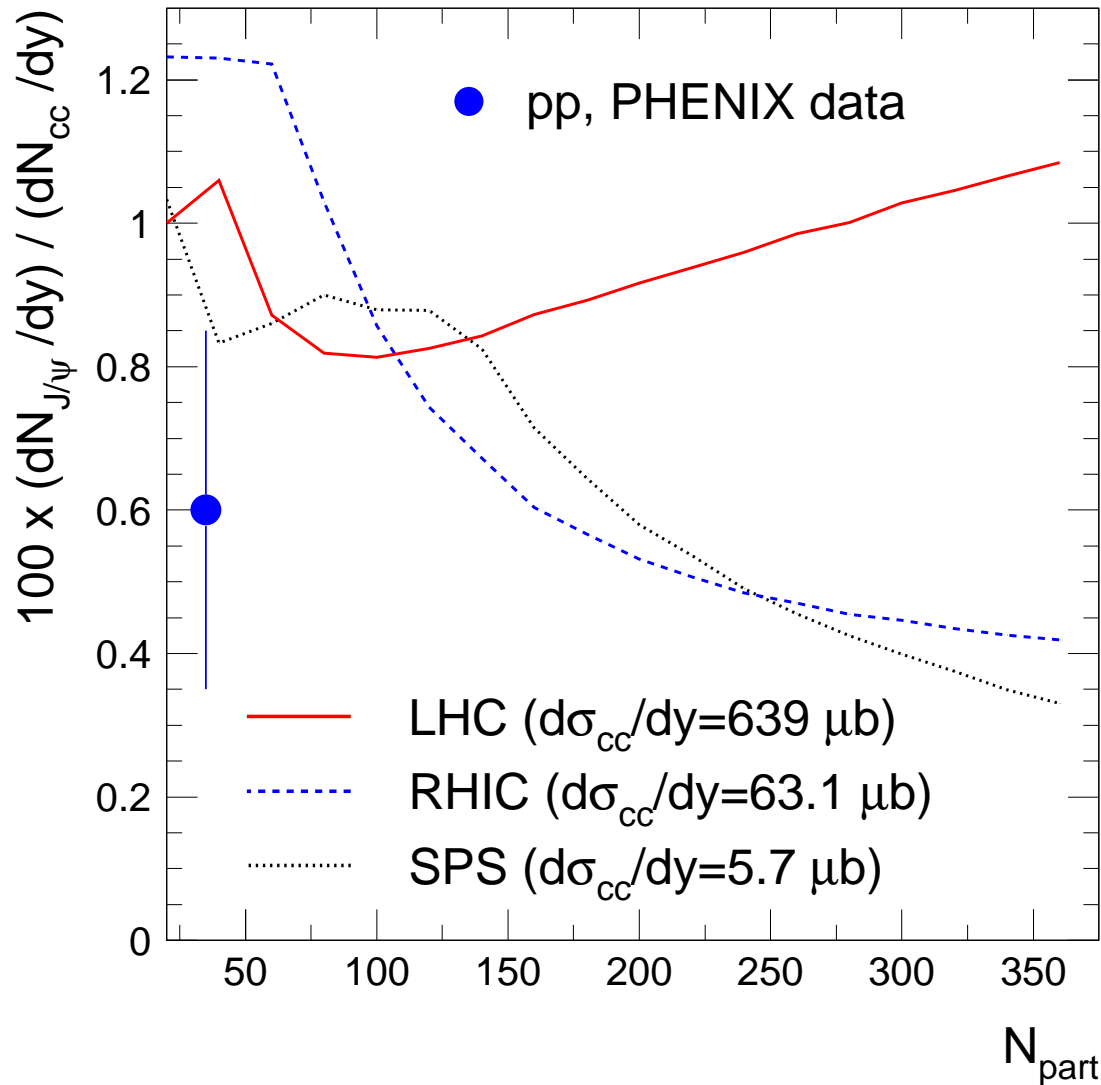
...not much “action”

# $J/\psi$ production relative to charm

x3

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...the most "solid" observable ...with similar features as  $R_{AA}$



AA, PBM, JS, NPA 789 (2007) 334

Satz, Adv.HEP 2013 (2013) 242918

- similar values at RHIC and SPS  
...with differences in fine details  
...determined by canonical suppression of open charm  
same with  $\Upsilon$  at RHIC and LHC?
- enhancement-like at LHC  
can. suppr. lifted, quadratic term dominant

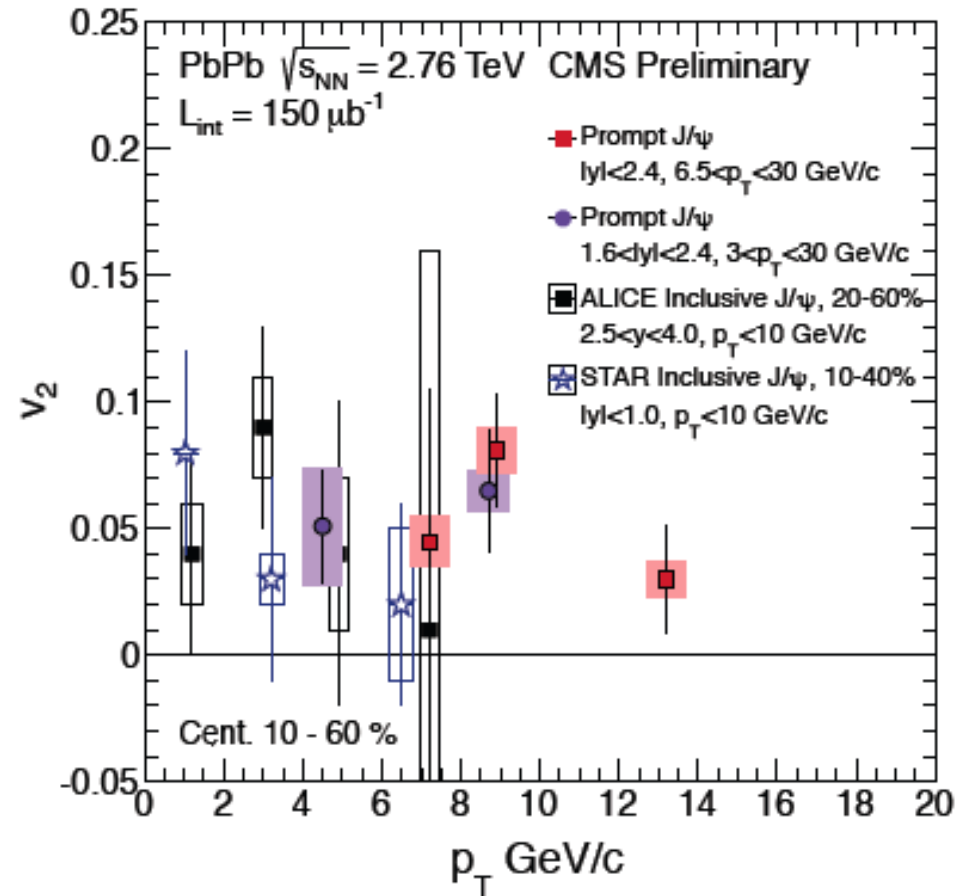
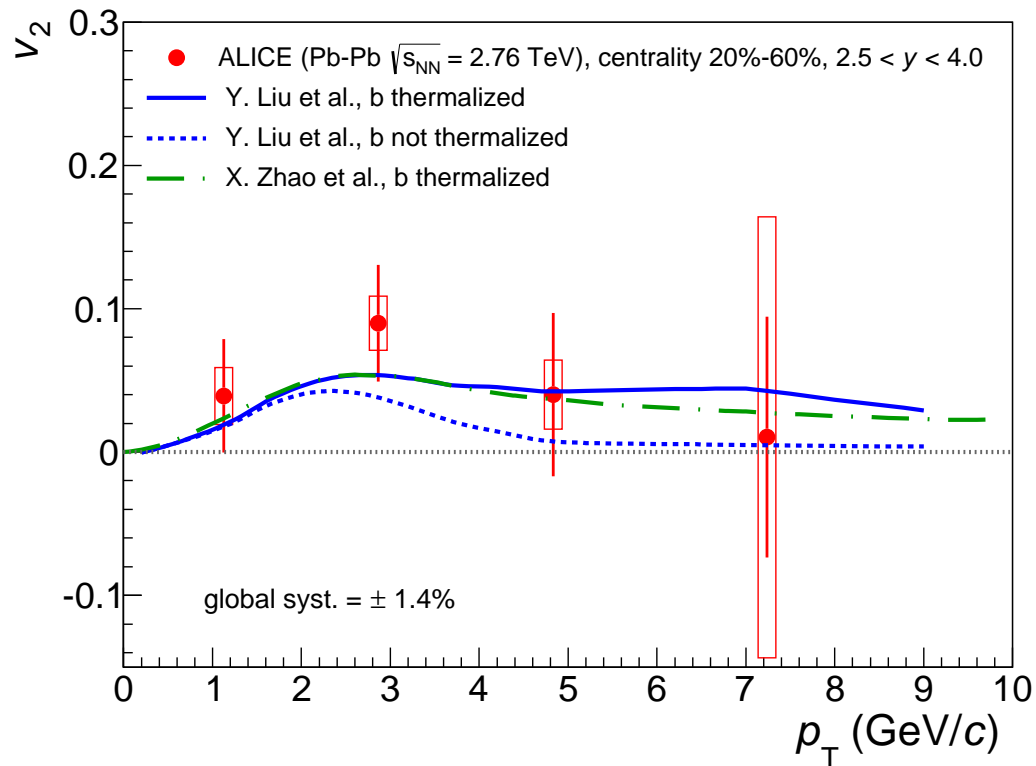
# J/ψ flow

x4

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CMS (Moon, QM'14)



further support of production in QGP or at chemical freeze-out at the LHC

(requiring thermalization of  $c, \bar{c}$  and generically leading to flow)

Recall: non-zero  $v_2$  was measured at SPS (“leakage effect”)

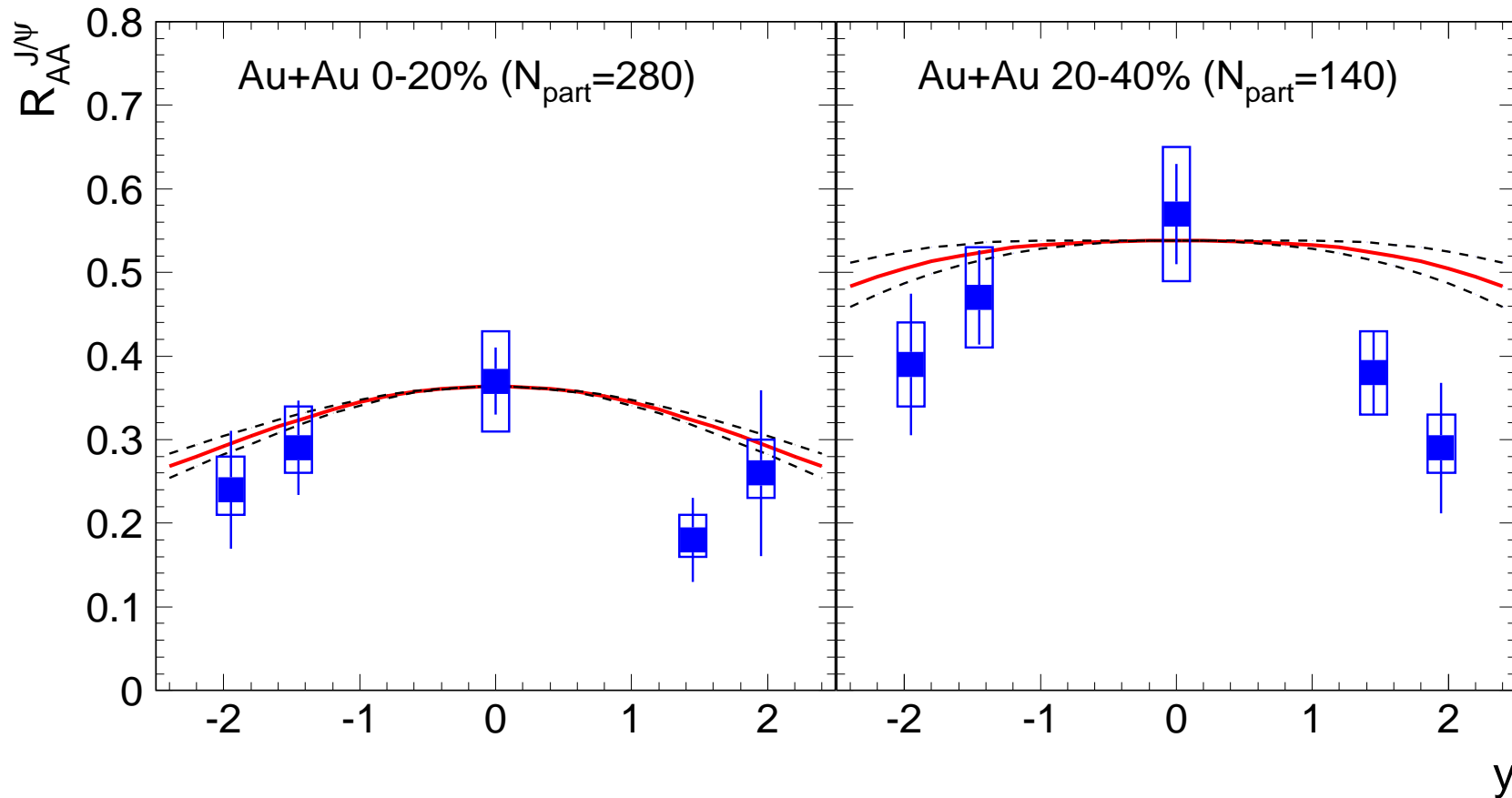
...the RHIC case (STAR,  $v_2 \sim 0$ ) remains open ...upcoming data will settle it



# $J/\psi$ at RHIC: rapidity dependence, $R_{AA}$

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model reproduces data (PHENIX, nucl-ex/0611020) very well (pQCD  $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$ )

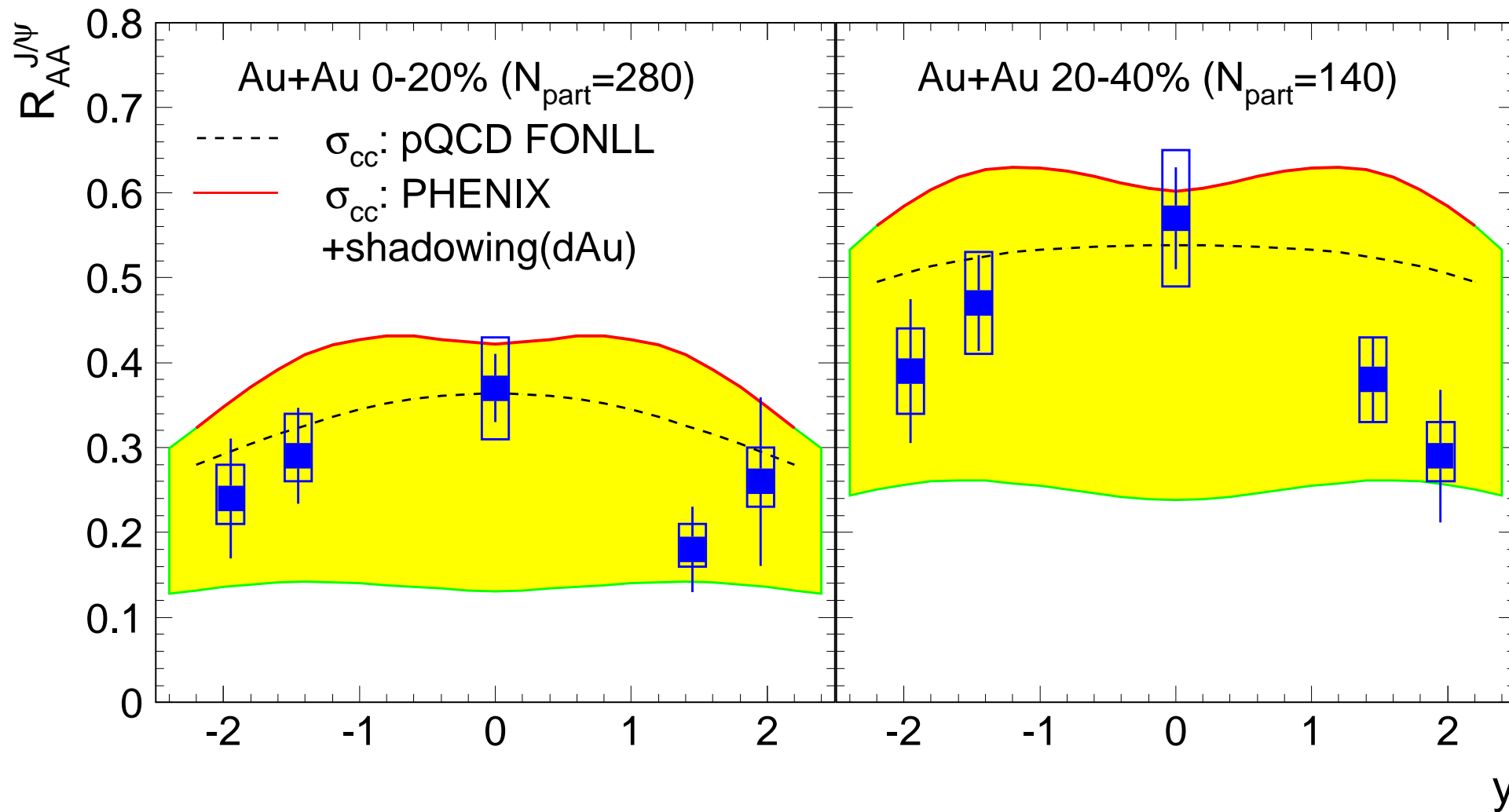
direct indication of  $J/\psi$  generation at hadronization (enhanced at  $y=0$ )

(constant  $R_{AA}$  expected within Debye screening model)

# J/ $\psi$ at RHIC: effect of shadowing

x6

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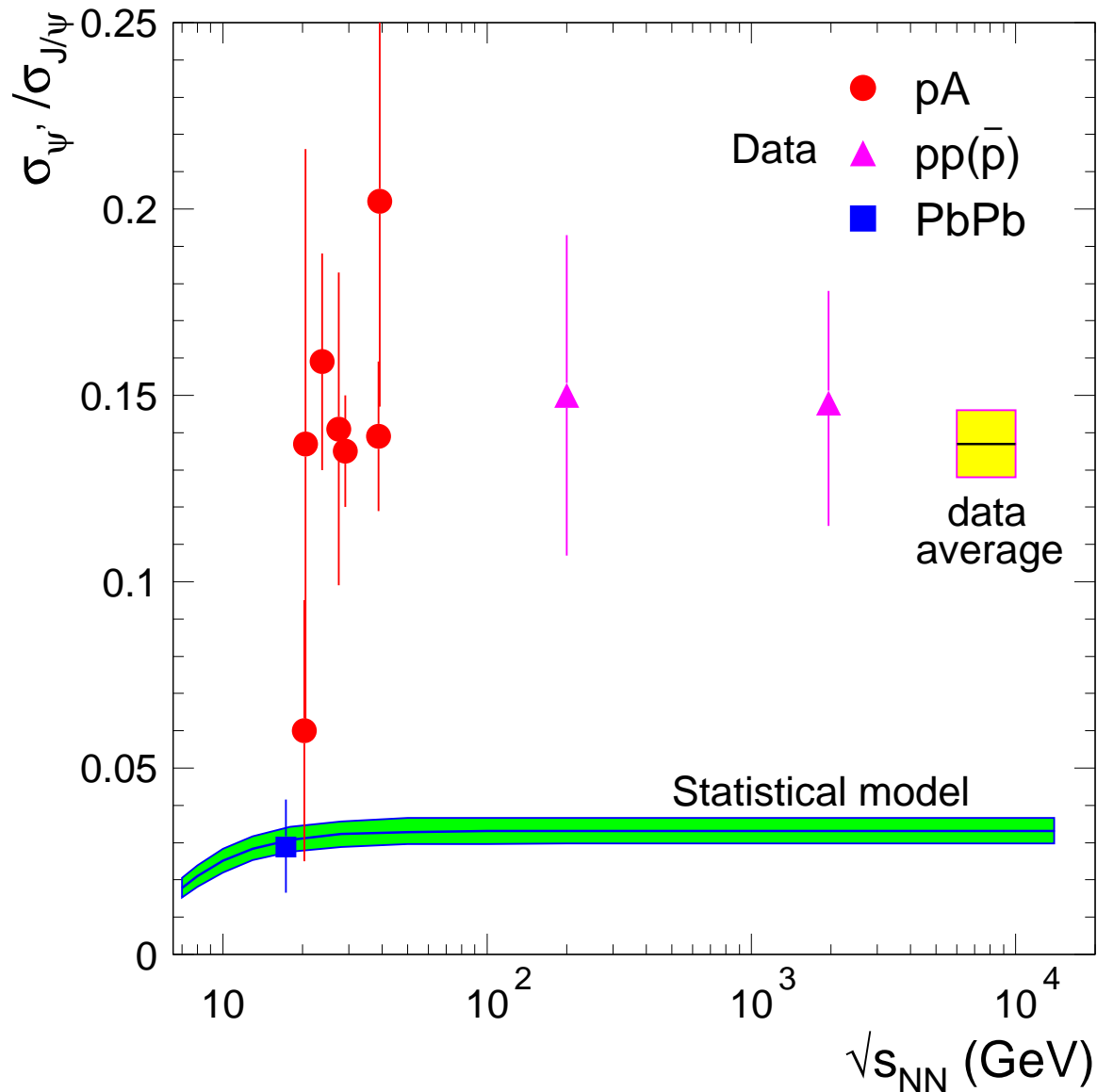


model describes data with PHENIX  $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$  (lower error plotted)

# The “null hypothesis”

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charmonium in pp(A) collisions

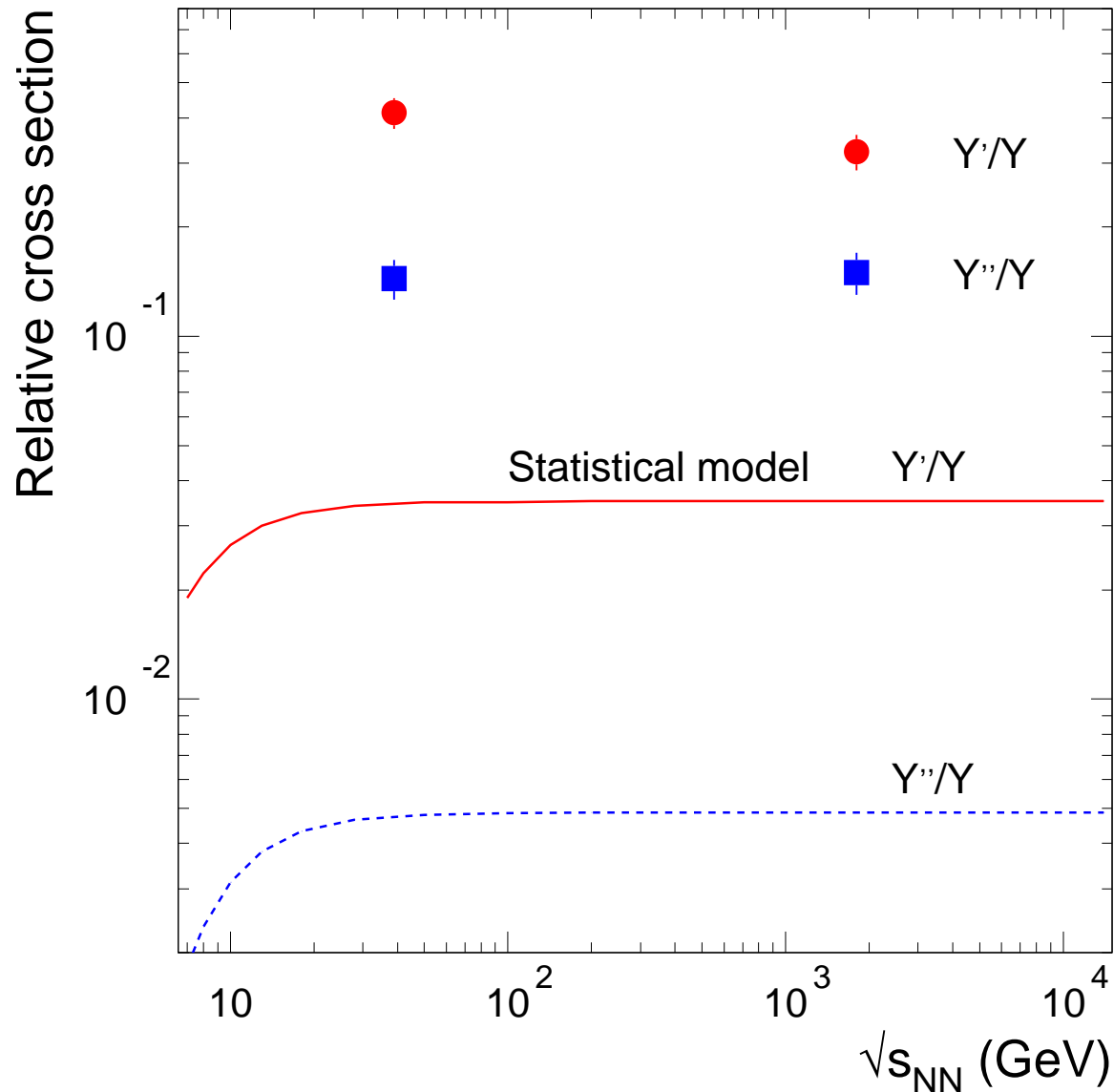
...is far from thermalized  
(model is for AA)

...while a thermal value is  
reached in central PbPb  
(NA50, SPS)

# The “null hypothesis” for bottomonium

x8

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bottomonium in pp(A) collisions

...is far from thermalized  
(model is for AA)

...will we find a thermal value  
at LHC? ...it seem to look so

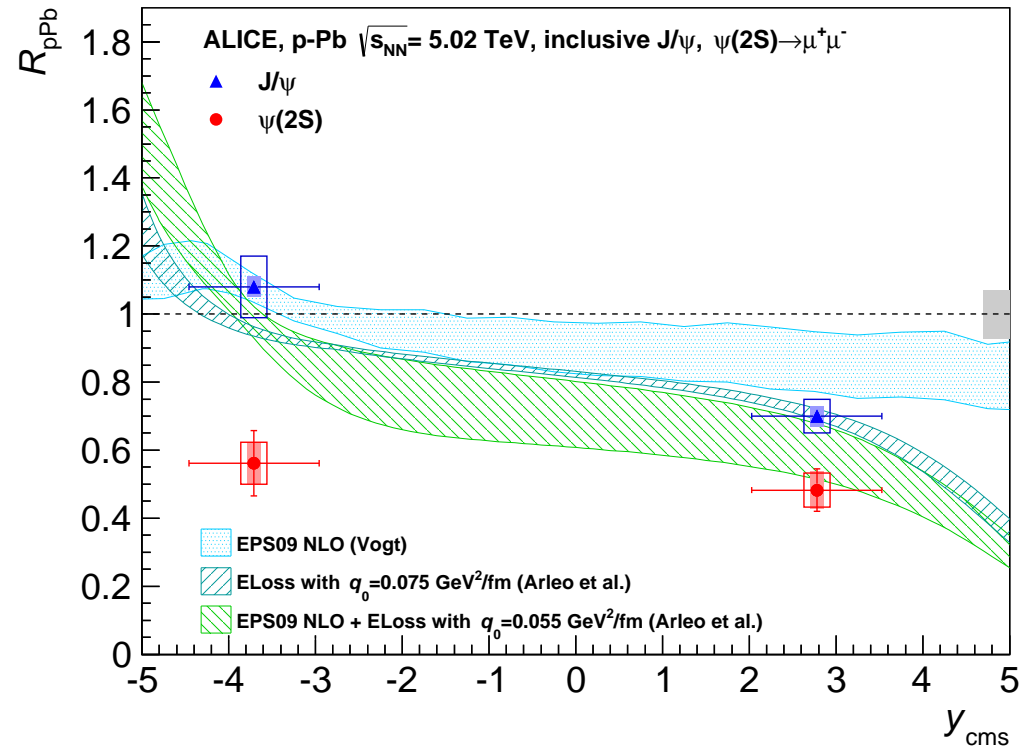
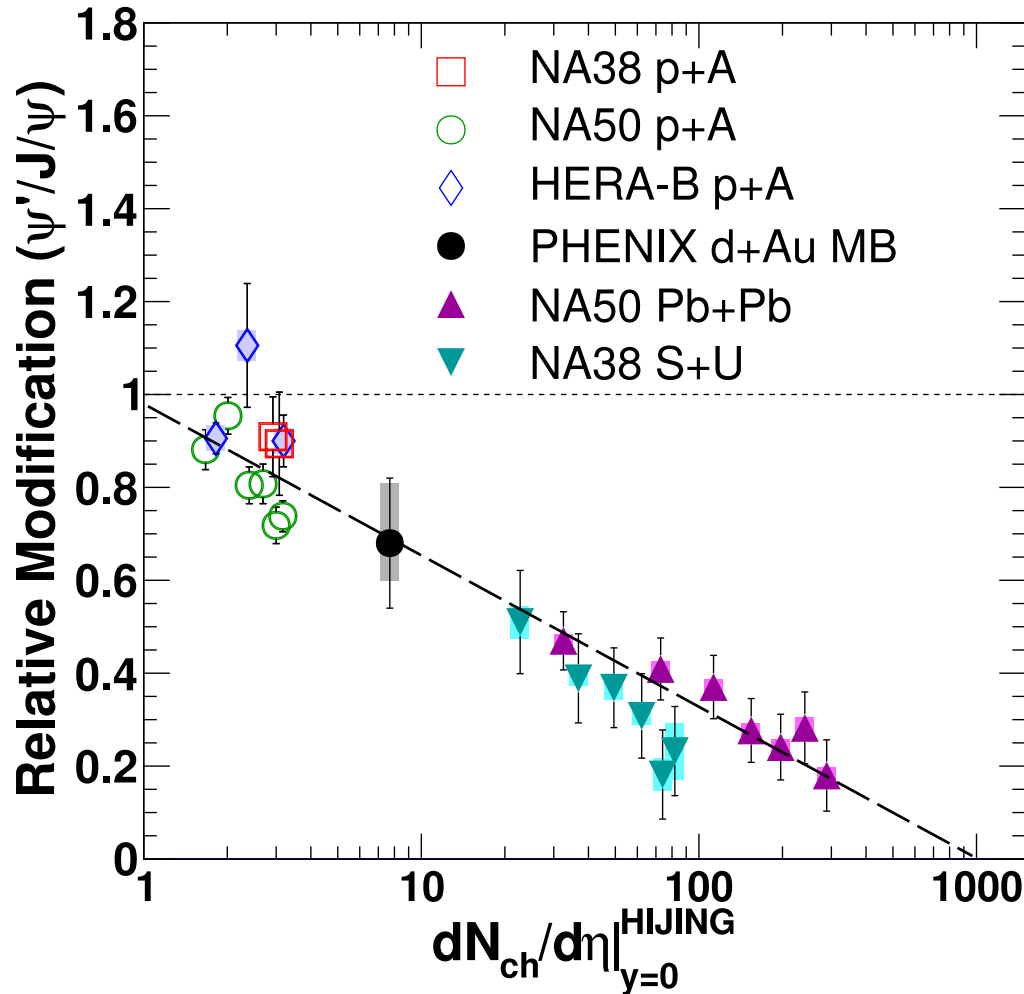
# Charmonium ratios in p(d)-A collisions

x8

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ALICE, arXiv:1405.3796



abs. cross sect. depends on time spent  
in the nucleus

(McGlinchey et al., PRC 87 (2013) 054910)

at the LHC, the strong  $\psi(2S)$  suppression in Pb-side remains puzzling  
indication for final-state effects?

# Bottomonium in p-Pb collisions

x9

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