

Measurements of quarkonia and open heavy-flavour production in heavy-ion collisions with the ATLAS detector

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- Goal: study the behaviour of **heavy quarks in nuclear collisions** by using as probes **quarkonia ($c\bar{c}$, $b\bar{b}$), D mesons and muons from heavy-flavour decays.**
- In **nucleus-nucleus** collisions, **heavy quarks are produced in hard processes** before the quark-gluon plasma (QGP) is formed, and are sensitive to **final-state effects** like energy loss in the QGP.
- In **proton-nucleus** collisions, they can provide insight on **initial-state effects** such as energy loss of the incoming parton or nuclear modifications to PDFs.
- Measurements reported in this presentation:
 - J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ production in Pb+Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV: [Eur. Phys. J. C 78 \(2018\) 762](#) (pp reference measured in $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$ TeV data)
 - J/ψ flow in Pb+Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV: [Eur. Phys. J. C 78 \(2018\) 784](#)
 - D^0/D^* production and D^* flow in p +Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$ TeV: [ATLAS-CONF-2017-073](#)
- Muons from heavy-flavour decays in Pb+Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV: [arXiv:1805.05220](#) (pp reference measured in $\sqrt{s} = 2.76$ TeV data)
- J/ψ , $\psi(2S)$, $\Upsilon(nS)$ production in p +Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV: [Eur. Phys. J. C 78 \(2018\) 171](#) (pp reference measured in Run 2 $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$ TeV data)

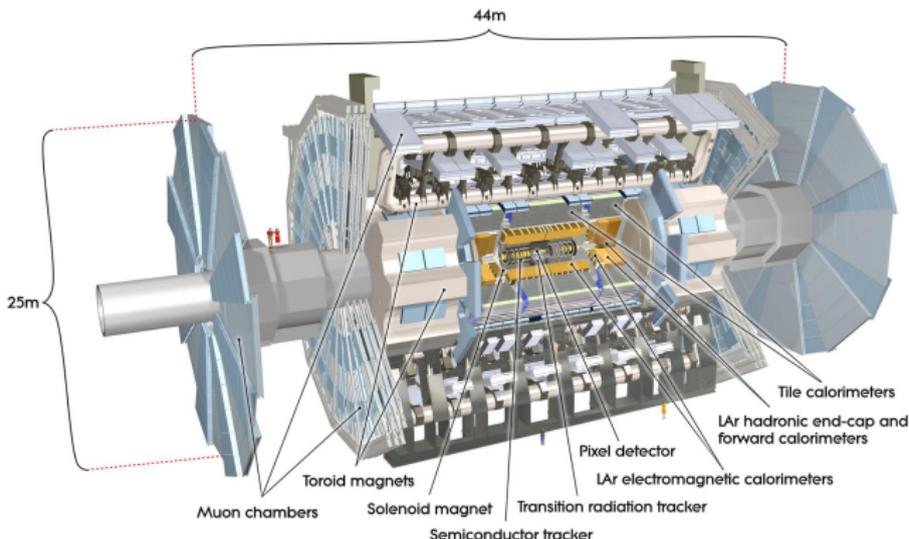
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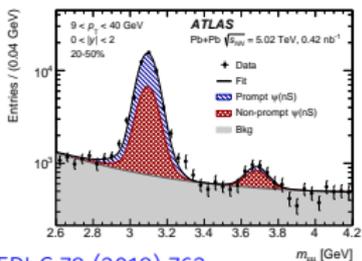
- Charged particle tracking in $|\eta| < 2.5 \rightarrow$ muons, charged hadrons
- Forward calorimeters in $3.1 < |\eta| < 4.9 \rightarrow$ centrality, event plane estimation
- Muon reconstruction in $|\eta| < 2.4$ (muon spectrometer + inner detector)

Datasets:

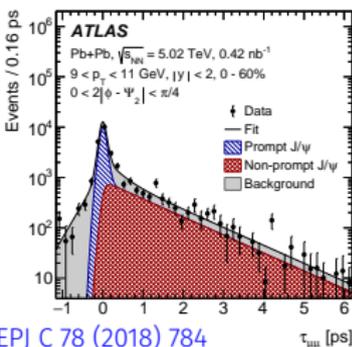
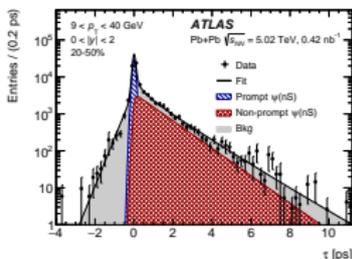
- Pb+Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV:
 0.14 nb^{-1} (2011)
- Pb+Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV:
 0.42 nb^{-1} (2015)
- p+Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV:
 28 nb^{-1} (2013)
- p+Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$ TeV:
 $76.3 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$ (2016)
- pp at $\sqrt{s} = 2.76$ TeV:
 570 nb^{-1} (2013)
- pp at $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$ TeV:
 25 pb^{-1} (2015)



Charmonia in Pb+Pb: Measurement strategy



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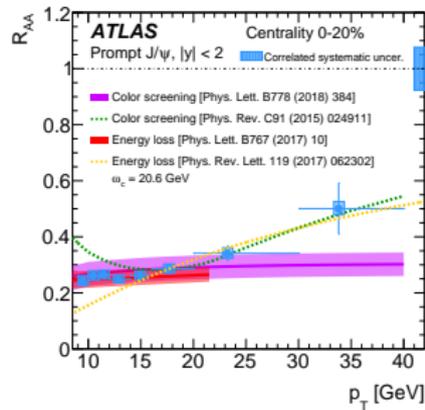
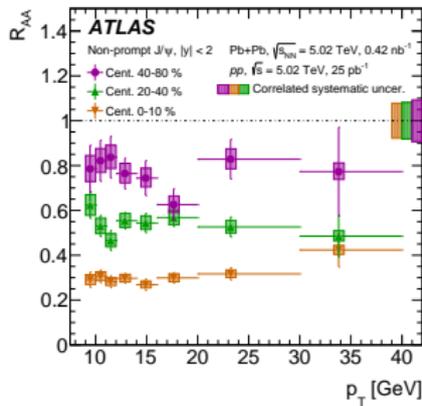
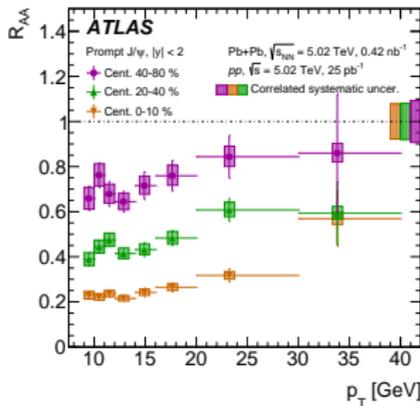


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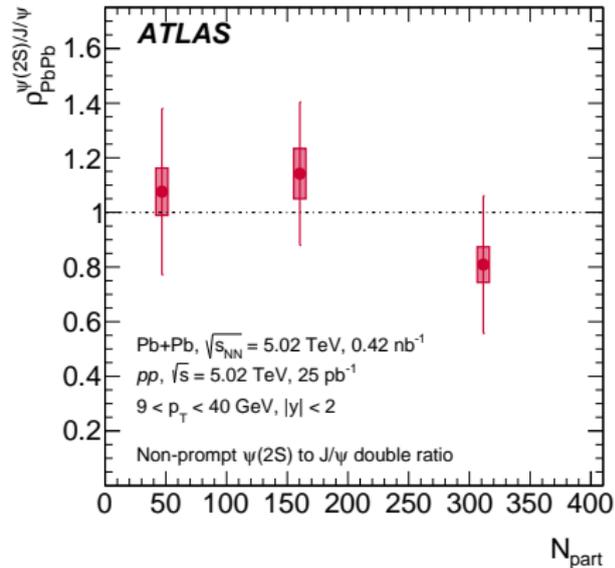
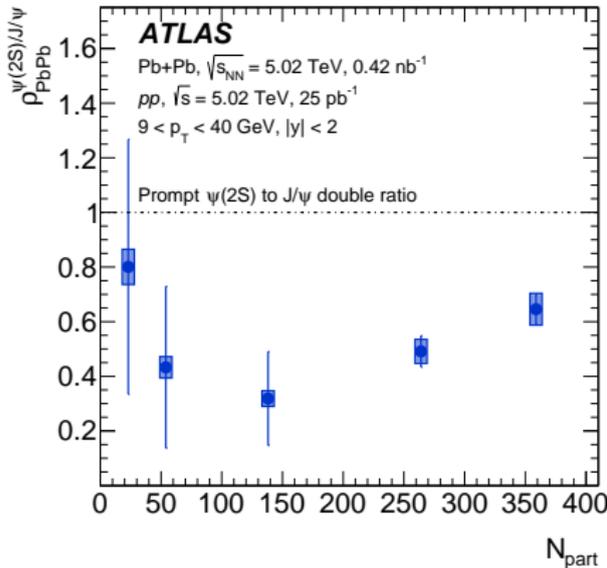
- Dimuon decay channels considered for J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$.
- Events collected with dimuon trigger.
- Dimuon mass range: $2.6 < m_{\mu\mu} < 4.2$ GeV
- Kinematic range: $9 < p_T^{\mu\mu} < 40$ GeV, $|y_{\mu\mu}| < 2$
- Dimuon candidates are corrected for trigger efficiency, reconstruction efficiency and detector acceptance.
- Yields from **two-dimensional** unbinned maximum likelihood fits in $m_{\mu\mu}$ and pseudo-proper decay time $\tau = \frac{L_{xy} m_{\mu\mu}}{p_T^{\mu\mu}}$.
- **Separate yields** from two types of production mechanisms:
 - **prompt** - direct and feed-down from higher-mass states
 - **non-prompt** - from b -hadron decays (outside of QGP)
- Fits performed for each considered centrality, $p_T^{\mu\mu}$, $y_{\mu\mu}$ bin.
- For the J/ψ flow measurement, fits are made additionally in bins of $|\phi - \Psi_2|$, where ϕ is the dimuon azimuthal angle and Ψ_2 is the second harmonic of the event plane angle.

Charmonia in Pb+Pb: R_{AA} vs. p_T and centrality

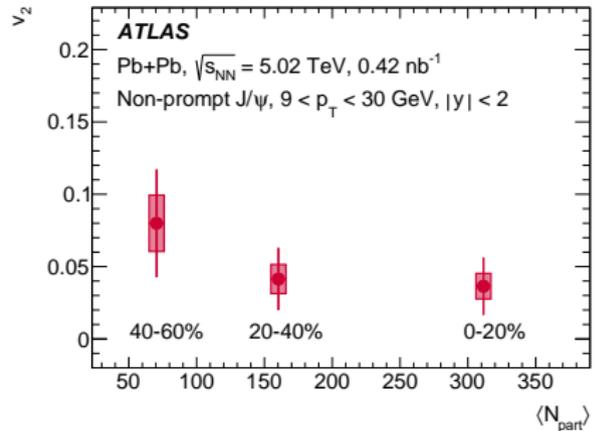
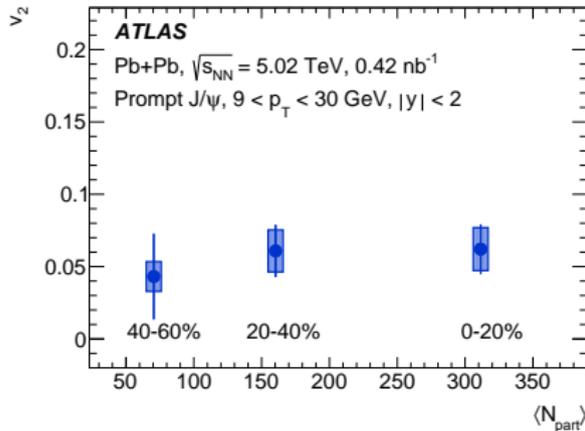
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- Study modification of production using **nuclear modification factor** $R_{AA} = \frac{N^{AA}/N^{evt}}{\langle T_{AA} \rangle \times \sigma^{pp}}$.
- Prompt J/ψ R_{AA} increases slowly with p_T , while it is constant for non-prompt J/ψ .
- The magnitude of **suppression increases strongly with centrality**.
- **Similar level of modification for prompt and non-prompt J/ψ production indicates that b quarks might be suppressed in a similar way to c quarks.**
- Observed **modification is consistent with colour screening models and energy loss models**, but no considered model describes the suppression over the full p_T range.



- Study relative modification of production using ratio $\rho_{PbPb}^{\psi(2S)/J/\psi} = \frac{R_{AA}^{\psi(2S)}}{R_{AA}^{J/\psi}}$.
- **Prompt production:** $\psi(2S)$ suppressed more than $J/\psi \rightarrow$ due to different binding energies?
- **Non-prompt production:** modification similar for J/ψ and $\psi(2S) \rightarrow$ expected from production in B -hadron decays outside the dense nuclear medium

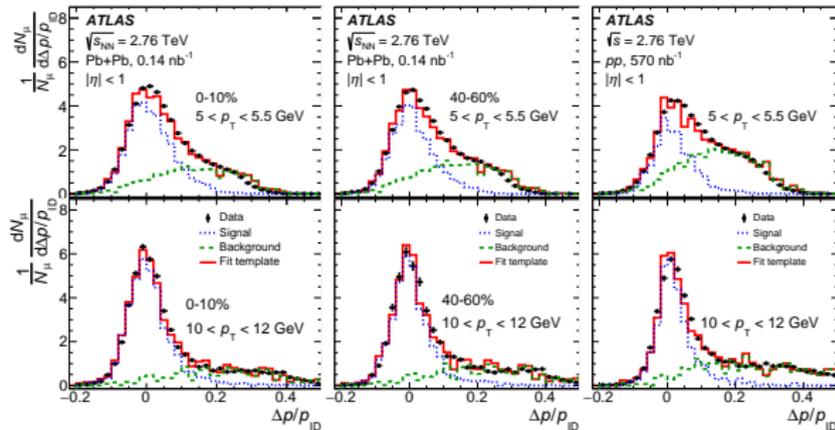


- Elliptic flow coefficients v_2 are defined using the Fourier expansion of particle yields N in the azimuthal angle, measured relative to the event plane angle:

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} \propto 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2v_n \cos [n(\phi - \Psi_n)]$$

- The **event plane angle** is estimated via its **second order harmonic Ψ_2** using the azimuthal distributions of transverse energy deposits in the **forward calorimeters**.
- Simultaneous fits to azimuthal distributions of prompt and non-prompt J/ψ yields.
- Observed v_2 values are **non-zero by $1-2\sigma$** (no significant centrality dependence).

arXiv:1805.05220



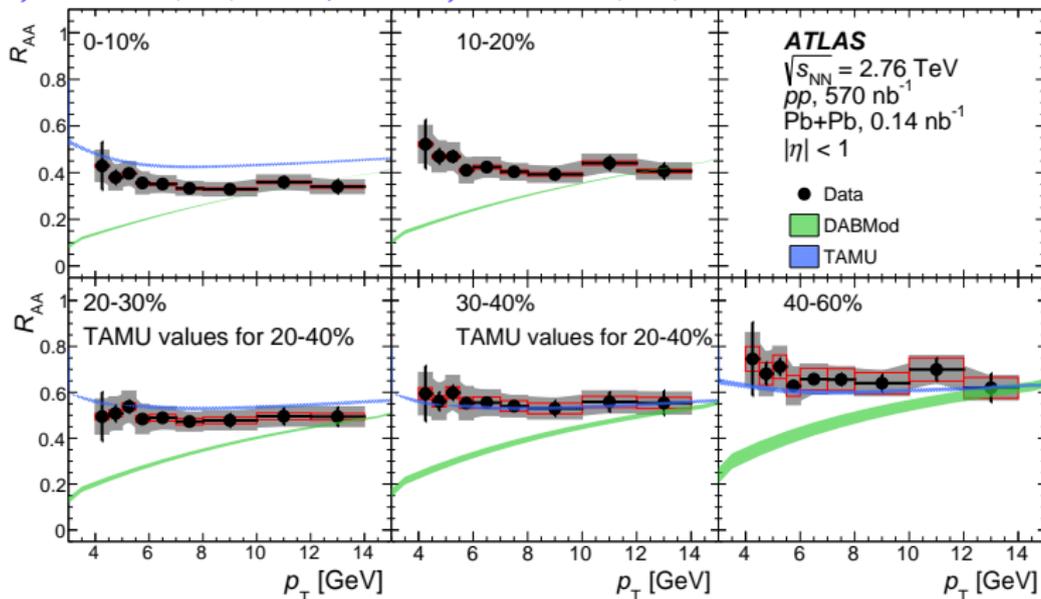
- Focus on muons from semileptonic decays of *c*- and *b*-quark mesons.
- Events collected with single-muon trigger ($p_T = 4$ GeV threshold).
- Muons required to pass reconstruction quality selection and match trigger.

- Kinematic selections: $4 < p_T^\mu < 14$ GeV, $|\eta_\mu| < 1$ (production measurement) or $|\eta_\mu| < 2$ (flow measurement)
- Signal and backgrounds differ in momentum imbalance $\frac{\Delta p}{p_{ID}} = \frac{p_{ID} - p_{MS} - p_{calo}}{p_{ID}}$.
- Separation using fits of $\frac{\Delta p}{p_{ID}}$ templates obtained from simulation to data.
- Corrections applied for reconstruction and trigger efficiencies.

Heavy-flavour muons in Pb+Pb: R_{AA} vs. p_T and centrality

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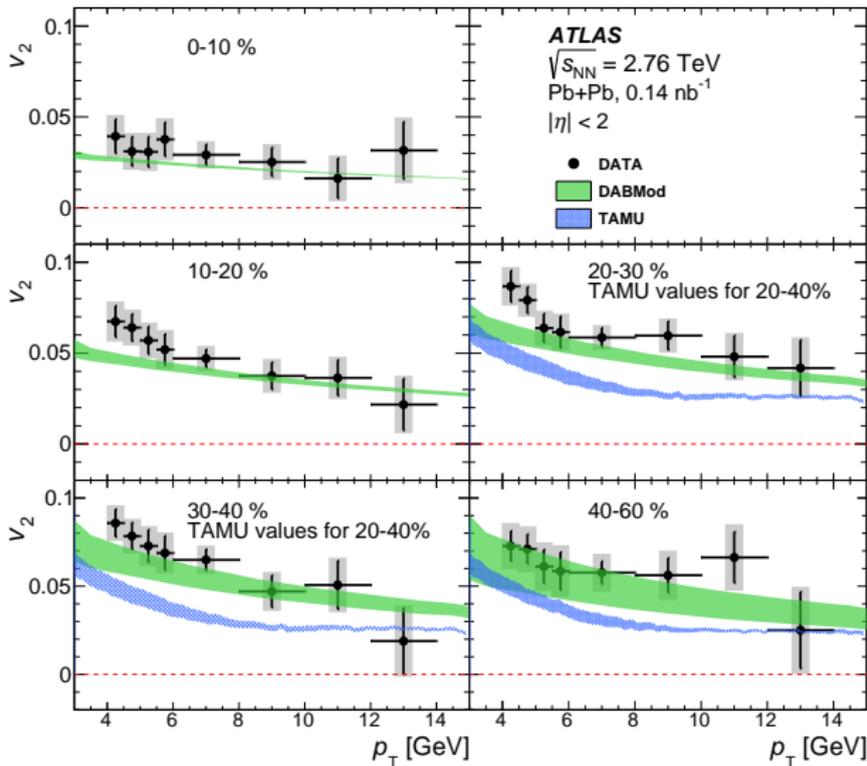


- Measured heavy-flavour muon R_{AA} does not depend on the muon p_T and shows increasing suppression with centrality.
- Comparison to theoretical models:
 - Transport model (TAMU) describes data well except for most central collisions.
 - Energy loss model (DABMod) fails to reproduce data at low p_T .

Heavy-flavour muons in Pb+Pb: flow vs. p_T and centrality

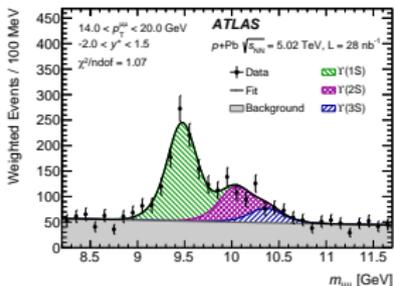
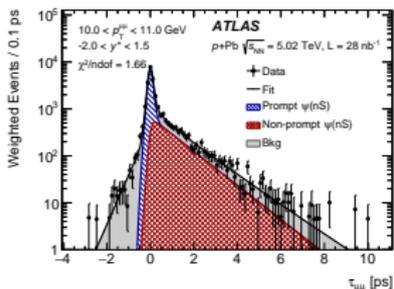
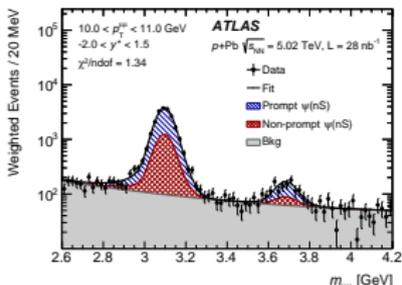
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- Elliptic flow coefficients v_2 extracted from fits to azimuthal yield distributions.
- Non-zero flow measured up to $p_T = 12 \text{ GeV}$ for all centralities.
- v_2 coefficients **decrease with p_T** except for 0-10% and 40-60% centralities.
- Comparison to theoretical models:
 - Transport model (TAMU) underestimates measured flow.
 - Energy loss model (DABMod) describes data quite well.

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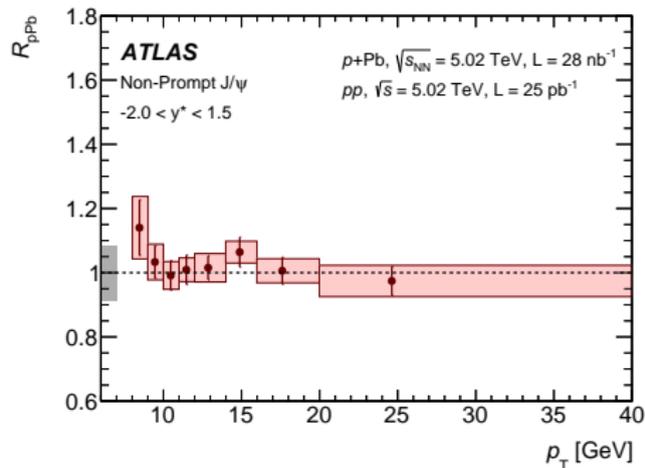
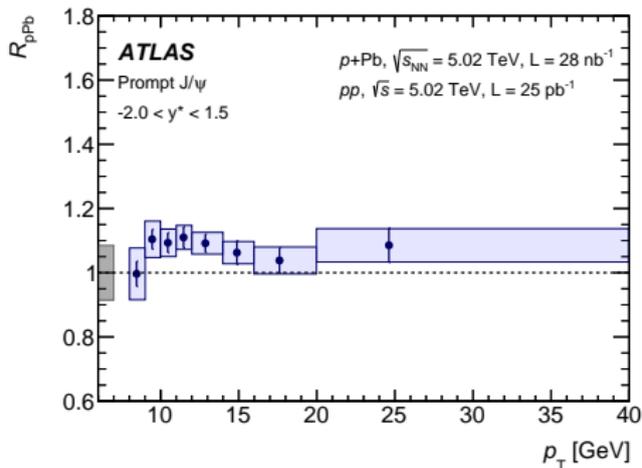


Charmonia measurements (similar strategy to Pb+Pb):

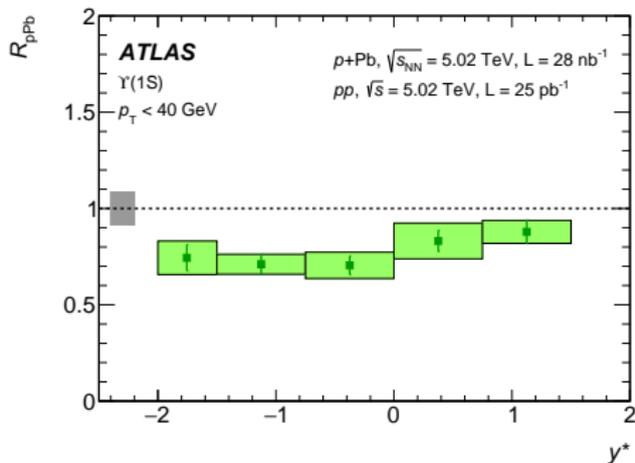
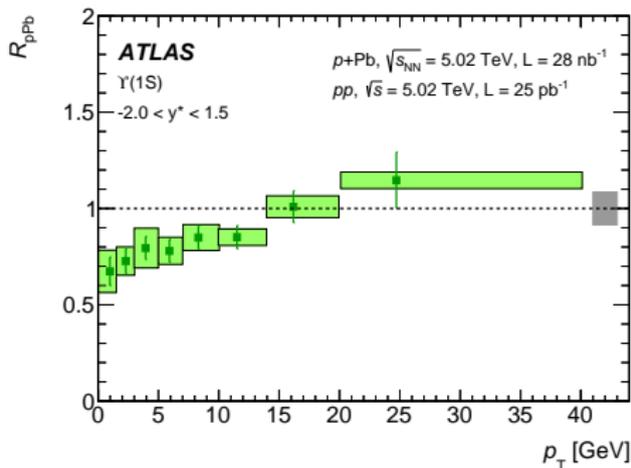
- Dimuon mass range: $2.6 < m_{\mu\mu} < 4.2$ GeV
- Kinematic range: $8 < p_T^{\mu\mu} < 40$ GeV, $-2 < y_{\mu\mu}^* < 1.5$
- Dimuon candidates are corrected for trigger efficiency, reconstruction efficiency and detector acceptance.
- Yields from **simultaneous fits in $m_{\mu\mu}$ and τ** , separately for each considered centrality, $p_T^{\mu\mu}$ or $y_{\mu\mu}^*$ interval.

Bottomonia measurements:

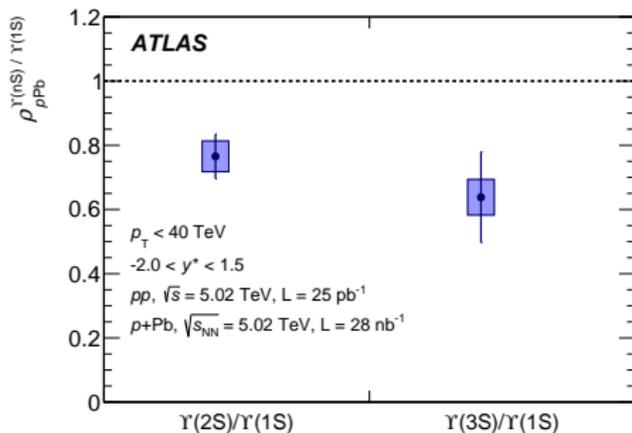
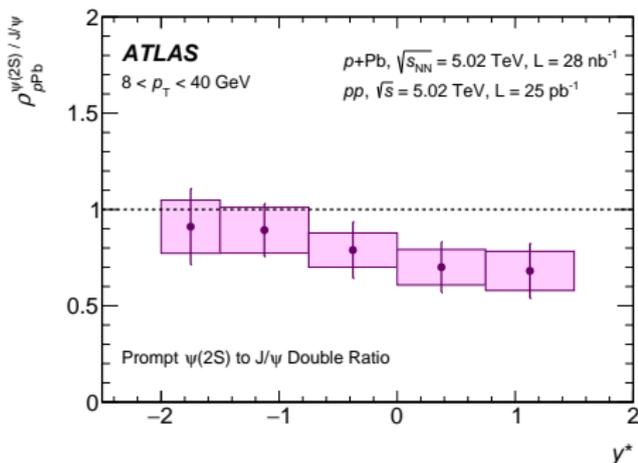
- **Dimuon decay channels** considered for $\Upsilon(nS)$.
- Events collected with dimuon trigger.
- Dimuon mass range: $8.2 < m_{\mu\mu} < 11.7$ GeV
- Kinematic range: $p_T^{\mu\mu} < 40$ GeV, $-2 < y_{\mu\mu}^* < 1.5$
- Dimuon candidates are corrected for trigger efficiency, reconstruction efficiency and detector acceptance.
- Yields from maximum likelihood **fits in $m_{\mu\mu}$** , separately for each considered centrality, $p_T^{\mu\mu}$ or $y_{\mu\mu}^*$ interval.



- Nuclear modification factor defined as $R_{pPb} = \frac{1}{A_{Pb}} \frac{\sigma^{p+Pb}}{\sigma^{pp}}$ ($A_{Pb} = 208$).
- Both the **prompt** and **non-prompt** J/ψ R_{pPb} factors are **consistent with unity**.
- No significant trend in p_T is observed.



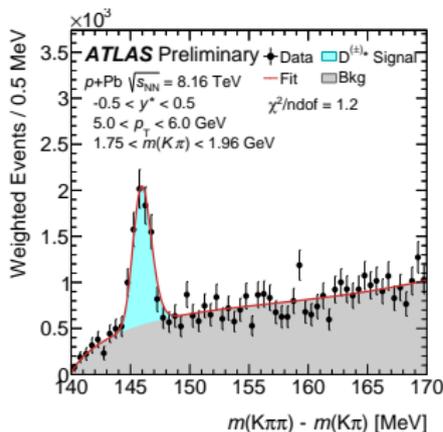
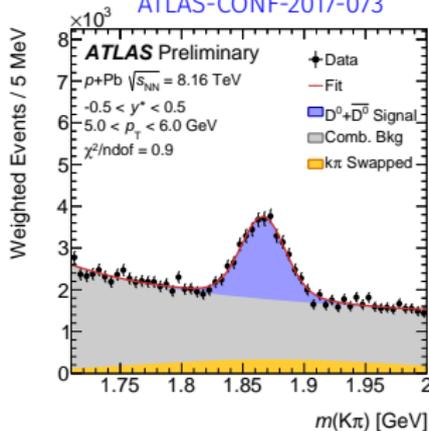
- **Suppression of $\Upsilon(1S)$ production observed for $p_T < 15 \text{ GeV}$ (rising trend).**
- **A constant suppression at the level of 0.8 is measured as a function of rapidity.**
- **The suppressed $\Upsilon(1S)$ production at low p_T might be explained by nuclear shadowing of PDFs in the low- x region.**



- Study relative modification of production using **ratios of $R_{\rho\text{Pb}}$** factors measured for excited states and ground states.
- Prompt $\psi(2S)$ production at forward rapidity (proton-going direction) is slightly **suppressed** relative to J/ψ production.
- For both $\Upsilon(2S)$ and $\Upsilon(3S)$, the ratios of integrated $R_{\rho\text{Pb}}$ factors to the $\Upsilon(1S)$ modification factor are **below unity**.

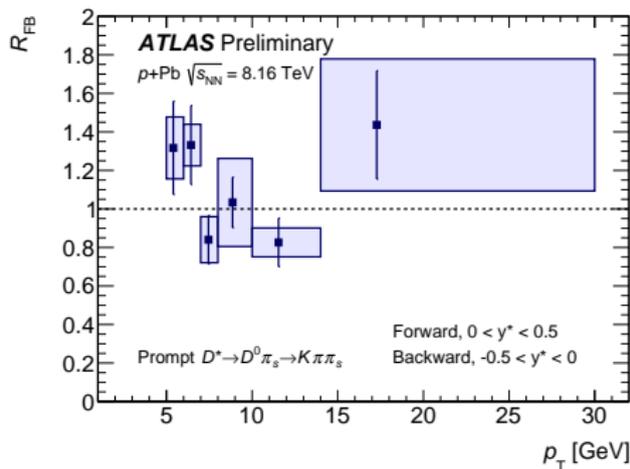
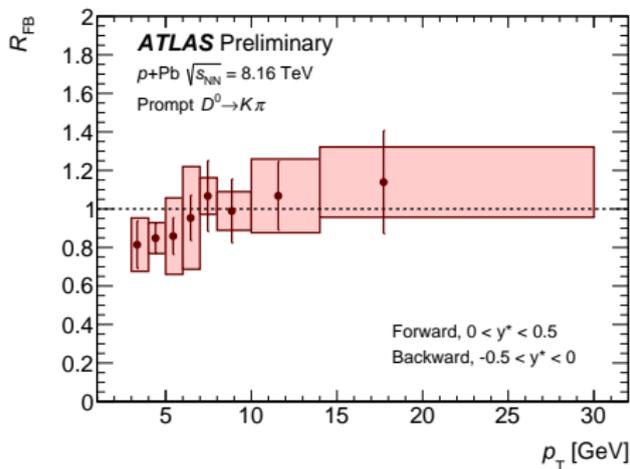
D mesons in $p+Pb$: Measurement strategy

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- Reconstructed decay channels: $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ and $D^* \rightarrow D^0\pi$
- Events collected with minimum bias and high multiplicity track triggers.
- D^0 candidates are constructed from opposite-sign pairs of charged particle tracks with $p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}$ each.
- Both combinations of kaon and pion masses are considered for the tracks, since **no particle identification** is applied.
- Track pair mass range: $1.75 < m(K\pi) < 1.96 \text{ GeV}$
- Additional topological requirements are applied to improve the signal to background significance.
- D^* candidates are built by adding a soft pion track with $p_T > 250 \text{ MeV}$ (flow measurement) or $p_T > 400 \text{ MeV}$ (yield measurement) to D^0 candidates.
- D meson candidates are corrected for topological selection efficiency, reconstruction efficiency and detector acceptance.
- Yields extracted from maximum likelihood fits to $m(K\pi\pi) - m(K\pi)$ or $m(K\pi\pi) - m(K\pi)$ distributions.

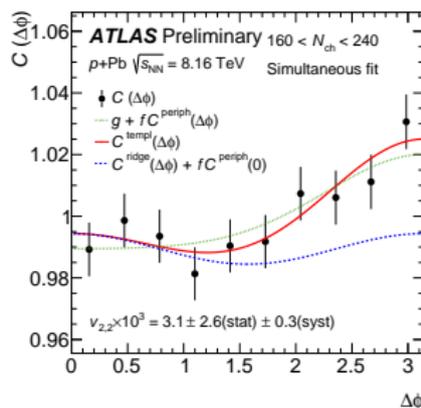
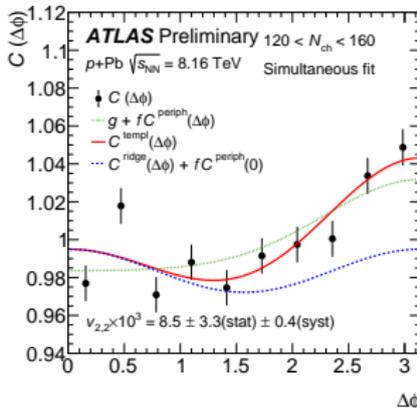
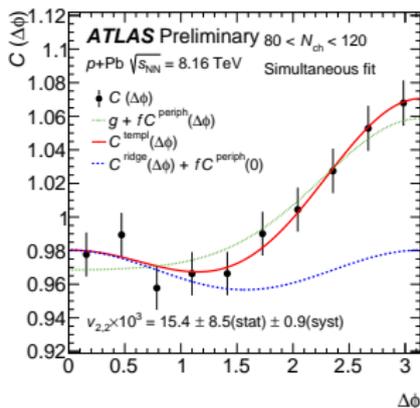
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- Study modification of production using **forward-backward ratio** of differential production cross-sections $d^2\sigma/dp_T dy^*$:

$$R_{FB} = \frac{d^2\sigma/dp_T dy^* (0 < y^* < 0.5)}{d^2\sigma/dp_T dy^* (-0.5 < y^* < 0)}$$

- **Non-prompt D-meson subtraction** using a FONLL calculation of $b \rightarrow D$ cross-sections.
- In the central rapidity range, **no significant deviation of R_{FB} from unity** is observed.



- D^* -hadron correlations are studied using the **two-particle correlation function** $C(\Delta\phi)$ defined between pairs of D^* candidates and charged particle tracks, separated in pseudorapidity by $\Delta\eta > 1$.
- **Harmonic coefficients** $v_{2,2}$ associated with the long-range ridge correlation are **extracted via template fits** with a separate contribution from the correlation function measured in low-multiplicity ($10 < N_{ch} < 80$) events.
- Measurements favour **non-zero $v_{2,2}$ coefficients** for all multiplicity classes.

- Pb+Pb collisions:
 - **Strong suppression of charmonia production**, increasing with centrality.
 - **Similar suppression** observed for **prompt and non-prompt charmonia**, despite different production mechanisms.
 - **Hints of non-zero J/ψ elliptic flow** for both the prompt and non-prompt production.
 - **Suppression of muons from heavy-flavour decays** increases with centrality, and is independent of p_T .
 - Measurement shows a **significant elliptic flow of heavy-flavour muons**.
- p+Pb collisions:
 - **Charmonia nuclear modifications do not deviate significantly from unity**, suggesting the absence of cold nuclear matter effects.
 - The **$\Upsilon(1S)$ production is modified significantly at low p_T** , which might be explained by **nuclear shadowing** at low x .
 - Measured **harmonic coefficients for D^* mesons** tend to be **non-zero** for all considered multiplicity classes.
- We look forward to taking 3-4 times more Pb+Pb data next month!

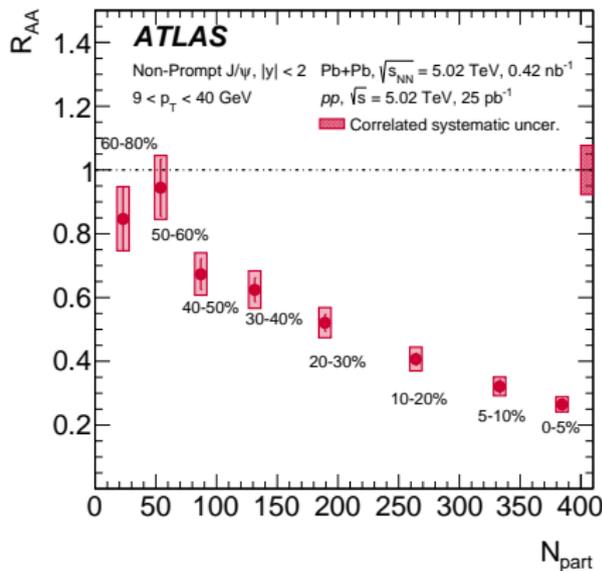
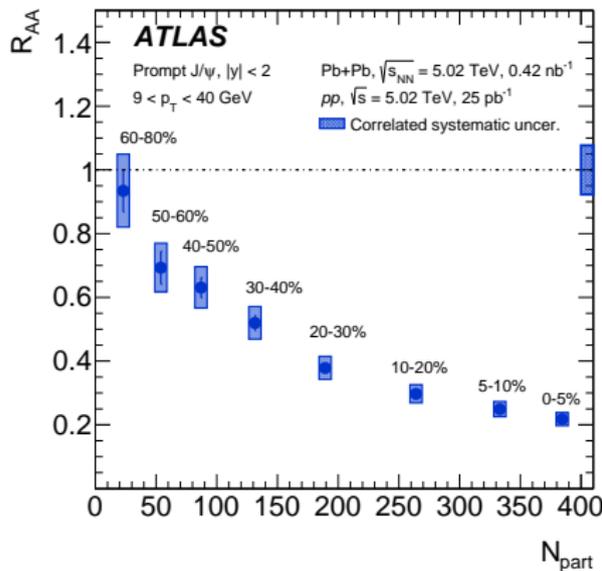
Additional slides

$$\text{PDF}(m, \tau) = \sum_{i=1}^7 \kappa_i f_i(m) \cdot h_i(\tau) \otimes g(\tau)$$

- κ_i : normalization factor for each component
- $f_i(m)$: distribution function for mass m
- $h_i(\tau)$: distribution function for pseudo-proper decay time τ
- $g(\tau)$: time resolution function (double Gaussian)

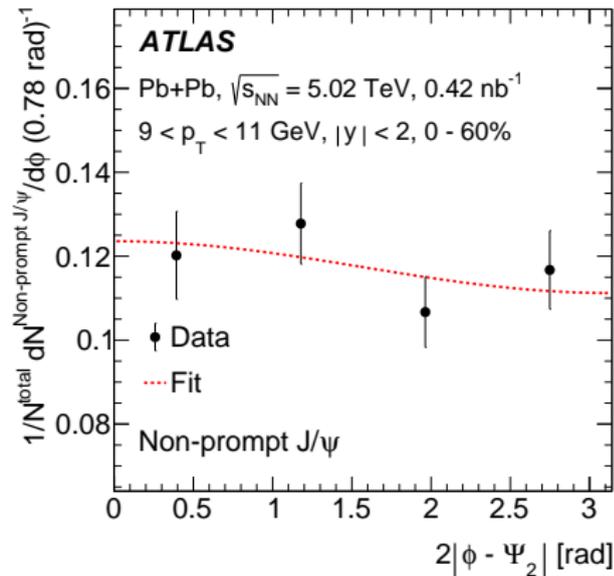
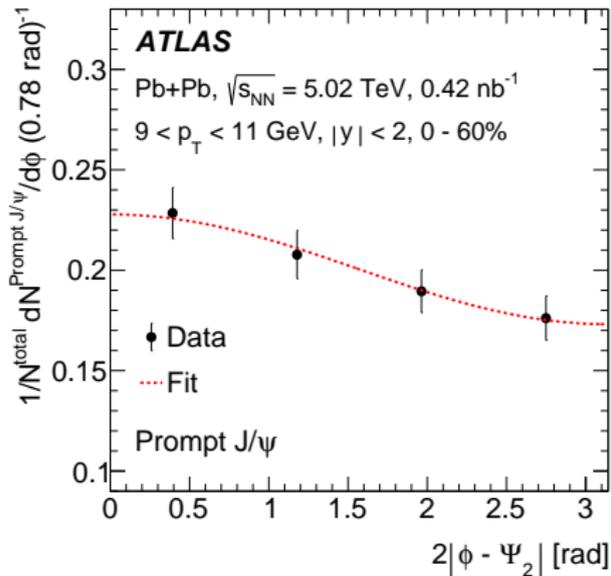
i	Type	Source	$f_i(m_{\mu\mu})$	$h_i(\tau_{\mu\mu})$
1	J/ψ	Prompt	$\omega_1 C B_1(m_{\mu\mu}) + (1 - \omega_1) G_1(m_{\mu\mu})$	$\delta(\tau_{\mu\mu})$
2	J/ψ	Non-prompt	$\omega_1 C B_1(m_{\mu\mu}) + (1 - \omega_1) G_1(m_{\mu\mu})$	$E_1(\tau_{\mu\mu})$
3	$\psi(2S)$	Prompt	$\omega_2 C B_2(m_{\mu\mu}) + (1 - \omega_2) G_2(m_{\mu\mu})$	$\delta(\tau_{\mu\mu})$
4	$\psi(2S)$	Non-prompt	$\omega_2 C B_2(m_{\mu\mu}) + (1 - \omega_2) G_2(m_{\mu\mu})$	$E_2(\tau_{\mu\mu})$
5	Background	Prompt	F	$\delta(\tau_{\mu\mu})$
6	Background	Non-prompt	$E_3(m_{\mu\mu})$	$E_4(\tau_{\mu\mu})$
7	Background	Non-prompt	$E_5(m_{\mu\mu})$	$E_6(\tau_{\mu\mu})$

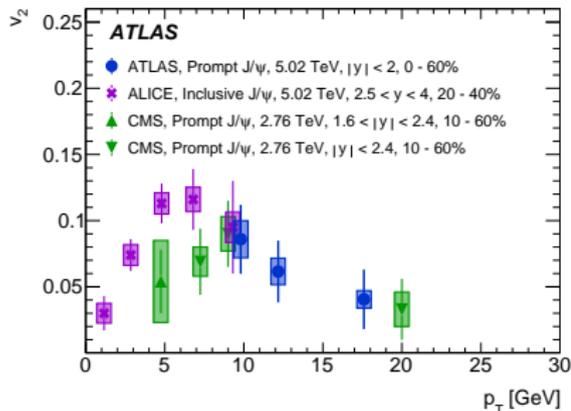
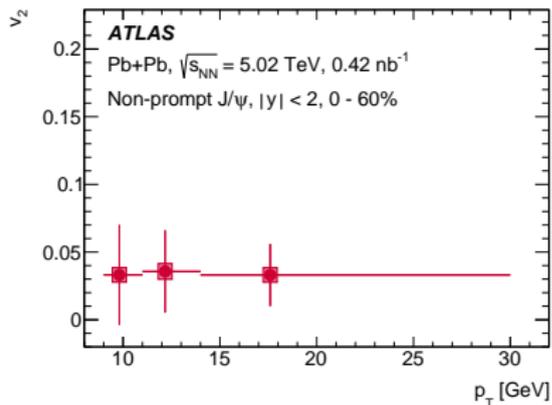
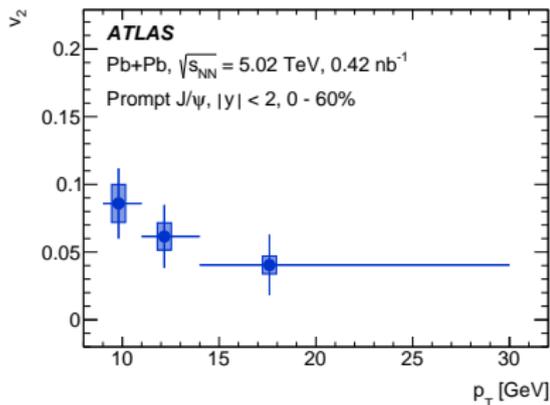
- CB: Crystal Ball function
- G: Gaussian
- E: exponential
- δ : delta function



- Suppression of J/ψ production increases strongly with centrality.
- Similar magnitude and trend of nuclear modification is observed for both prompt and non-prompt J/ψ production.

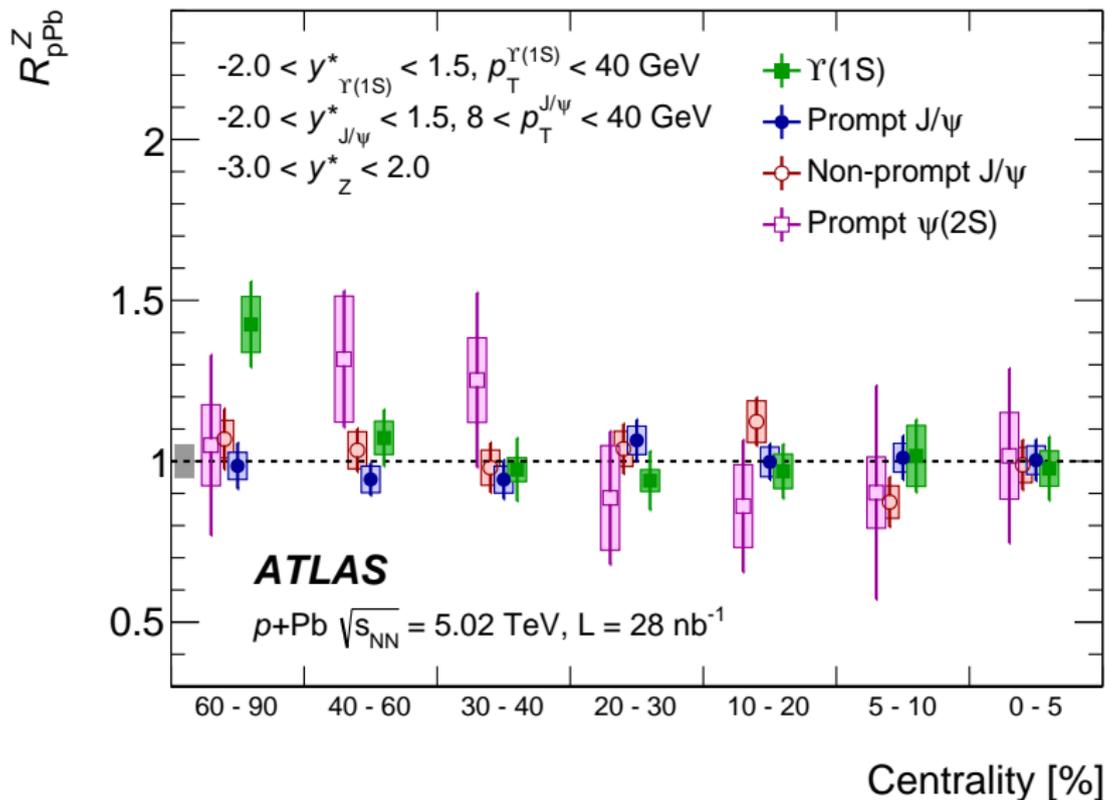
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	Uncorr.	Corr.	Uncorr.	Corr.	Uncorr.
Trigger	2 - 4%	3%	5 - 6%	5%	< 1%
Reconstruction	4 - 5%	2%	6 - 7%	2%	< 1%
Fitting	1 - 2%	1%	1 - 2%	1%	8 - 9%
T_{AA}	—	1 - 8%	—	1 - 8%	—
Luminosity	—	—	—	5.4%	—

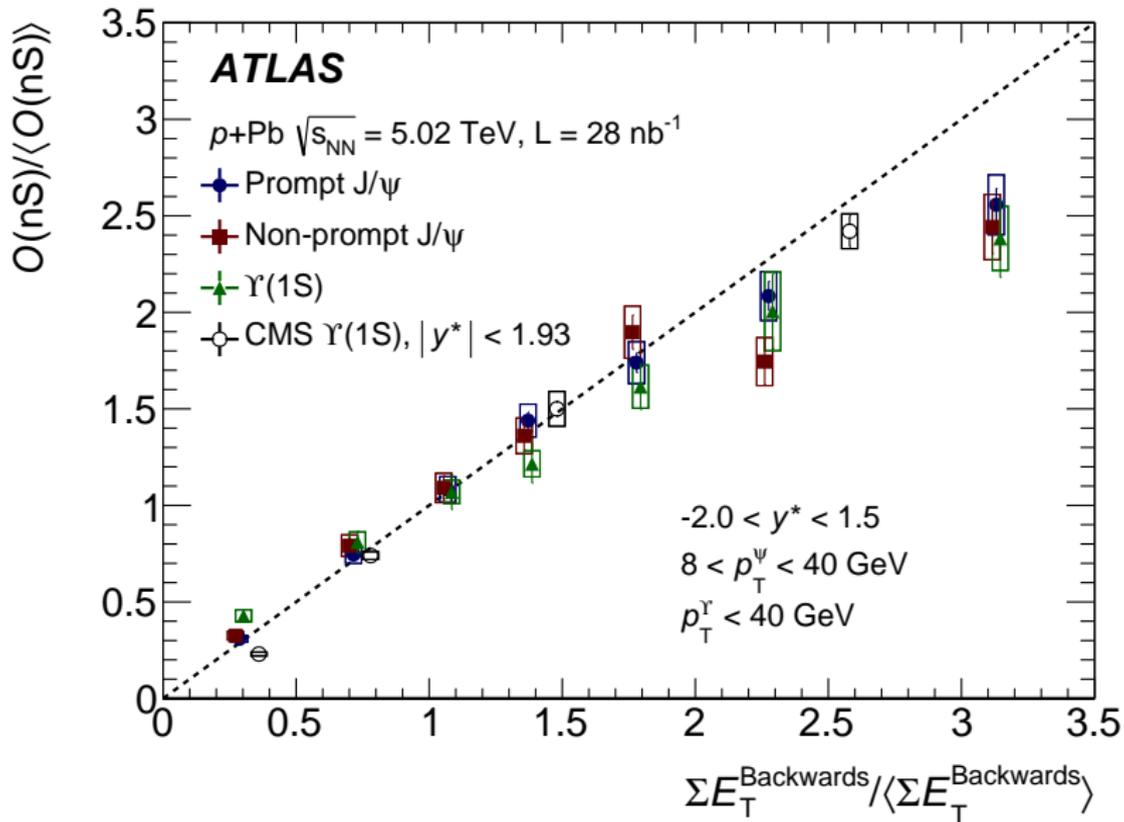


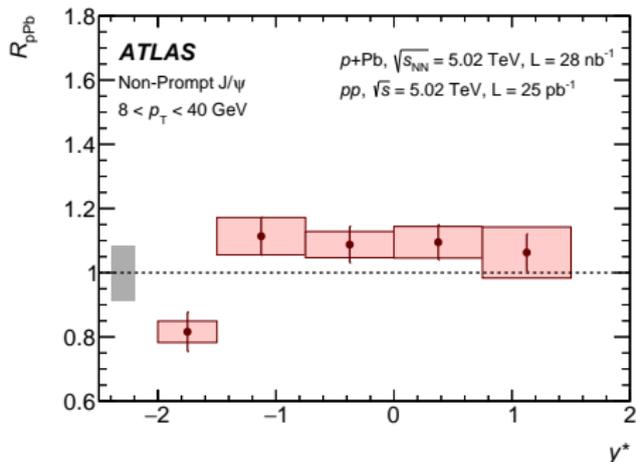
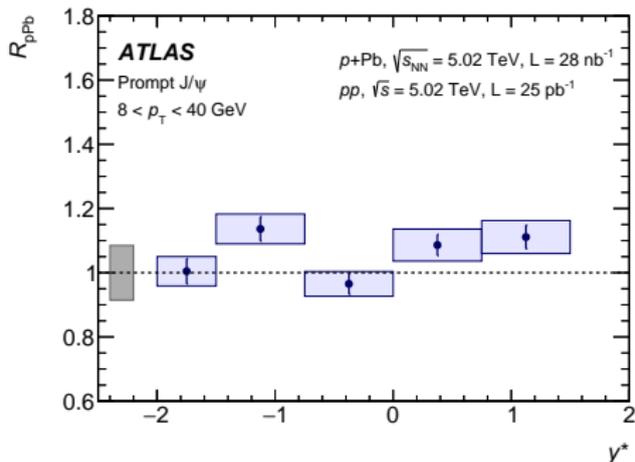


- Hint of **different trends** with p_T for prompt and non-prompt J/ψ .
- **Good agreement** with ALICE and CMS results in the overlapping p_T region, despite different rapidity and centrality ranges.

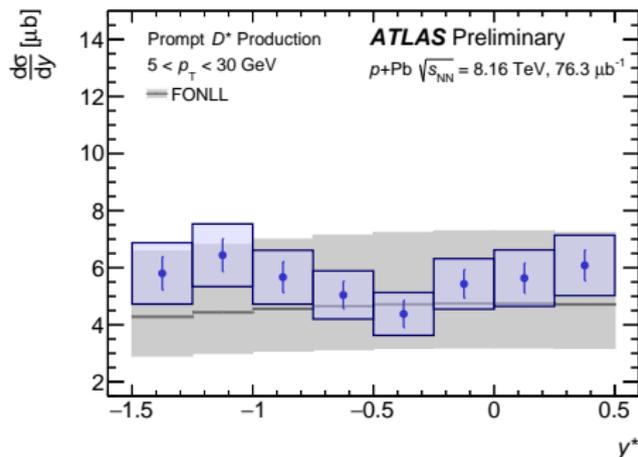
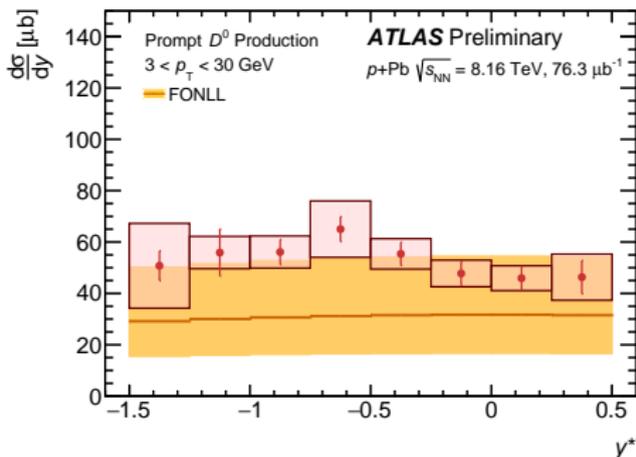
Collision type	Sources	Ground-state yield [%]	Excited-state yield [%]	Ratio [%]
$p+Pb$ collisions	Luminosity	2.7	2.7	—
	Acceptance	1–4	1–4	—
	Muon reco.	1–2	1–2	< 1
	Muon trigger	4–5	4–5	< 1
	Charmonium fit	2–5	4–10	7–15
	Bottomonium fit	2–15	2–15	5–12
pp collisions	Luminosity	5.4	5.4	—
	Acceptance	1–4	1–4	—
	Muon reco.	1–5	1–5	< 1
	Muon trigger	5–7	5–7	< 1
	Charmonium fit	2–7	4–10	7–11
	Bottomonium fit	1–15	2–15	5–12







- Measurements for prompt and non-prompt component show no significant dependence on rapidity.



- Non-prompt component of D^0 and D^* meson production is subtracted based on FONLL calculation of $b \rightarrow D$ cross-section.
- FONLL predictions for pp collisions are extrapolated from $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV to $\sqrt{s} = 8.16$ TeV and scaled by the Pb nucleus mass number ($A^{\text{Pb}} = 208$).
- Predictions are compatible with measured cross-sections within uncertainties for both D^0 and D^* mesons.