



Quarkonia Production in Ultraperipheral PbPb collisions at LHCb



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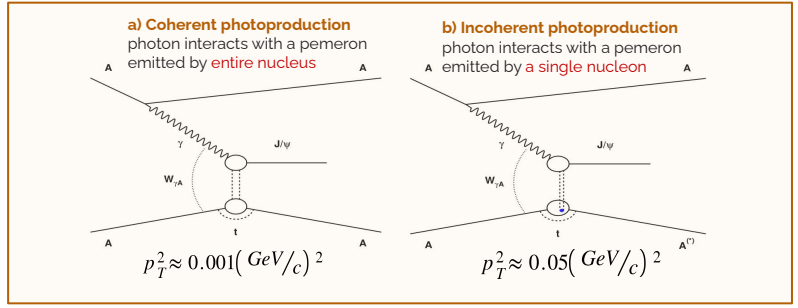
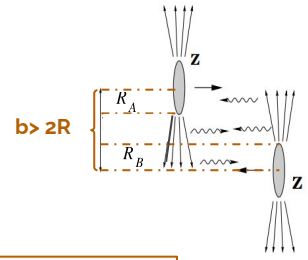
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UPC v.s PC

Ultra-peripheral collisions:

- ❖ Occurs when impact parameter(b) is **larger** than the sum of their radii.
- ❖ Hardonic interaction strongly suppressed.
- ❖ **Photon-induced interactions** are enhanced by the strong EM field of the nucleus.

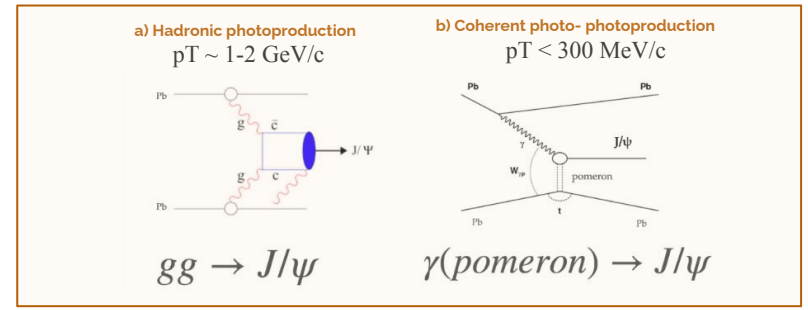
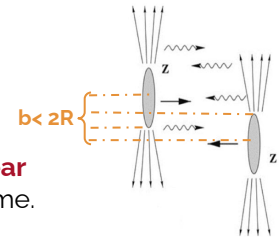


- ❖ Cross section of coherent charmoium production:
 - constrain the **gluon Density Distribution Functions** in nuclear.
- ❖ Ratio of cross section of coherent charmoium production:
 - constrain the choice of the **vector meson wave function** in dipole scattering models. [PLB 772 (2017) 832, PRC (2011) 011902]
 - systematic and luminosity uncertainty largely cancelled out.

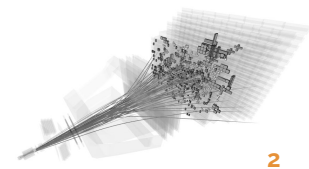


Peripheral collisions:

- ❖ Impact parameter(b) is **smaller** than the sum of their radii.
- ❖ **Hardonic interaction** and **Photon-nuclear** interactions are expected at the same time.

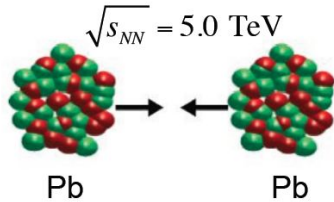


- ❖ A precise measurement of the postulated coherent J/ψ production in hadronic collisions will shed light on:
 - the **coherence of the interaction**
 - and the profile of the **photon flux in peripheral Pb-Pb collisions**

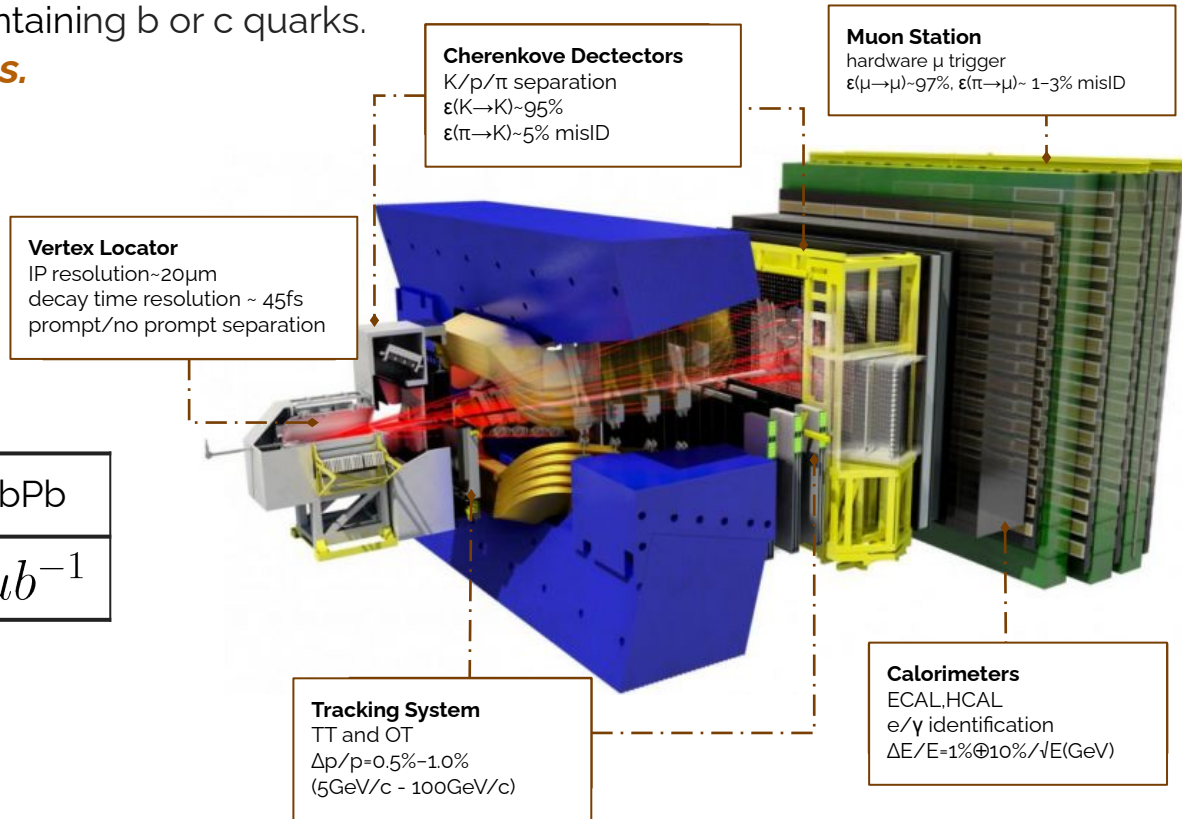


The LHCb detector

- ❖ Single arm forward spectrometer fully instrumented in pseudo-rapidity range $2 < \eta < 5$.
- ❖ Design for the study of particles containing b or c quarks.
- ❖ Can also use for *heavy ion studies*.



Data Taking	2015 PbPb	2018 PbPb
Luminosity	$10 \mu b^{-1}$	$228 \mu b^{-1}$



Today's topic

UPC at LHCb:

1. Study of coherent J/ψ production in lead-lead collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=5\text{TeV}$
[JHEP07(2022)117]
2. Study of the coherent charmonium production in ultra-peripheral lead-lead collisions [arXiv:2206.08221]

New

PC at LHCb:

3. J/ψ photoproduction in Pb-Pb peripheral collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5\text{TeV}$ @LHCb
[Phys. Rev. C 105, L032201]

Coherent charmonium photo-production in UPC

Analysis strategy is similar for 2015 and 2018 UPC:

- ❖ **Data sets:** PbPb collisions at 5.02 TeV at LHCb:
 - 2015 PbPb ([JHEP07(2022)117]) and 2018 PbPb([arXiv:2206.08221]).

- ❖ **Cross-section** of charmonium photo-production can be measured by:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\psi}^{\text{coh}}}{dx} = \frac{N_{\psi}^{\text{coh}}}{\mathcal{L} \times \varepsilon_{\text{tot}} \times \mathcal{B}(\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \times \Delta x} \quad \frac{d\sigma_{\psi(2S)}^{\text{coh}}/dy^*}{d\sigma_{J/\psi}^{\text{coh}}/dy^*} = \frac{N_{\psi(2S)}^{\text{coh}} \times \varepsilon_{J/\psi} \times \mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{N_{J/\psi}^{\text{coh}} \times \varepsilon_{\psi(2S)} \times \mathcal{B}(\psi(2S) \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}$$

- ❖ **Event selection:**

- Very low multiplicity in the detector, only two tracks reconstructed within LHCb acceptance region:

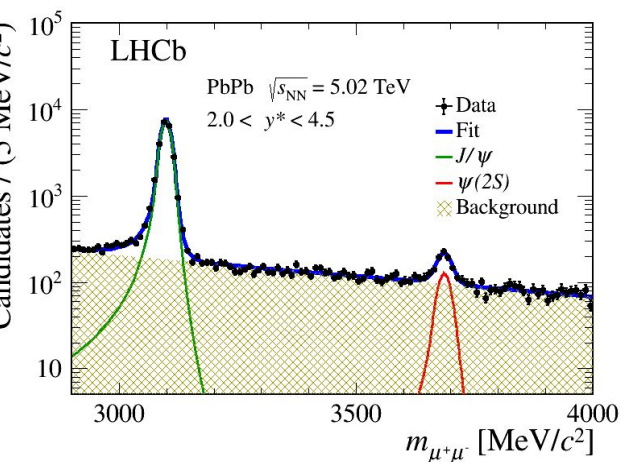
$$p_T^{\mu\mu} < 1\text{GeV} , \quad |\Delta\phi_{\mu\mu}| > 0.9\pi$$

$$2.0 < \eta^{\mu} < 4.5 , \quad p_T^{\mu} > 700\text{MeV}$$

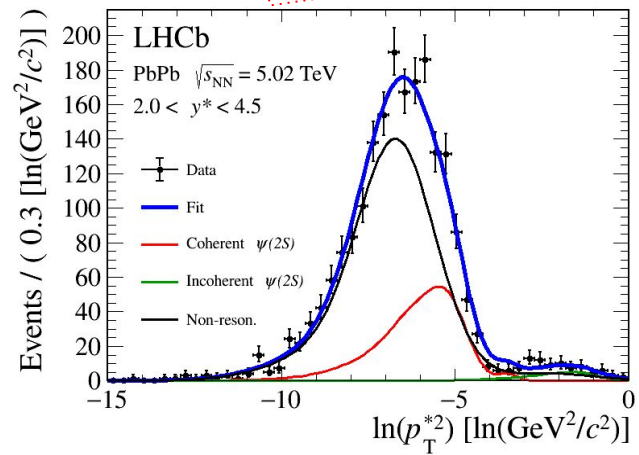
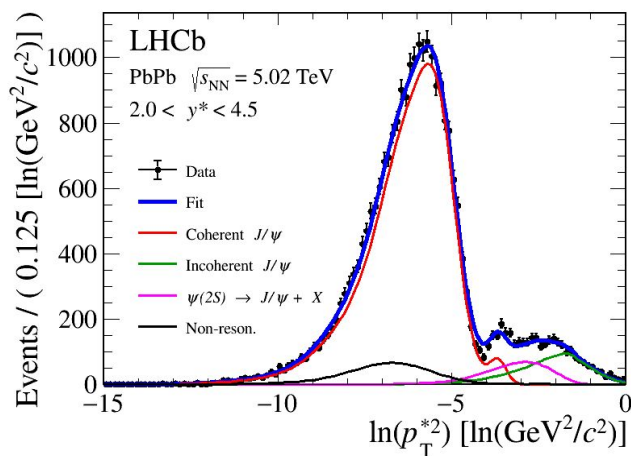
- HeRSChEL detector is used to further purify the signal candidates.

Coherent charmonium photo-production in UPC

(1) Charmonia yields extracted from dimuon mass fit:



(2) Coherent yields extracted from $\log(p_T^2)$ fit:



Up to 35 times higher statistics than 2015!!

(3) Results:

1. Integrated cross-sections of coherent J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ photoproduction in $2.0 < y^* < 4.5$:

$$\sigma_{J/\psi}^{\text{coh}} = 5.965 \pm 0.059 \pm 0.232 \pm 0.262 \text{ mb}, \quad \sigma_{\psi(2S)}^{\text{coh}} = 0.923 \pm 0.086 \pm 0.028 \pm 0.040 \text{ mb}$$

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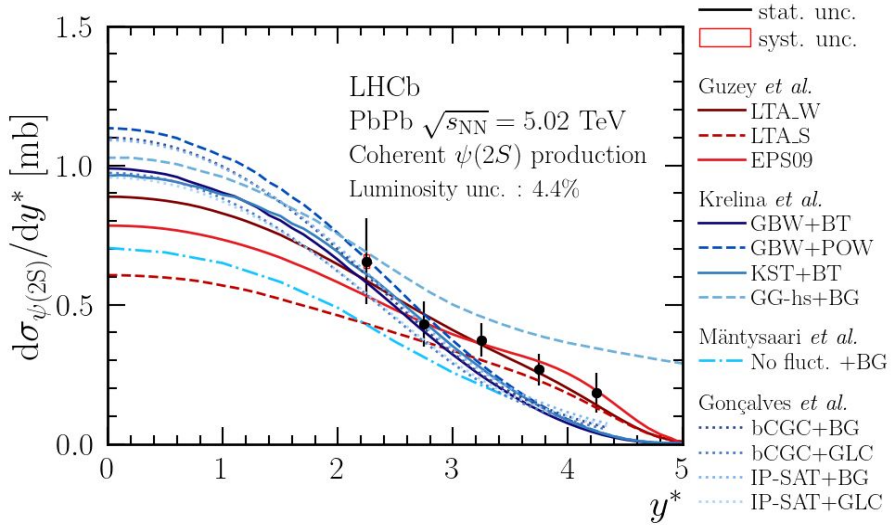
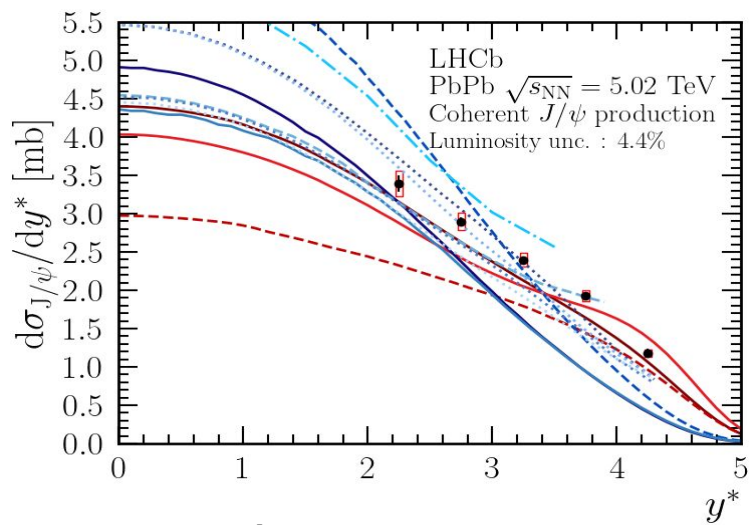
2. The integrated cross-sections ratio in $2.0 < y^* < 4.5$: $\sigma_{\psi(2S)}^{\text{coh}}/\sigma_{J/\psi}^{\text{coh}} = 0.155 \pm 0.014 \pm 0.003$

(*lumi. uncer. cancelled out*)

Coherent charmonium photo-production in UPC

3. Differential cross section of J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ as a function of rapidity:

- ❖ The **most precise** coherent J/ψ production measurement in PbPb UPC in **forward rapidity** to date
- ❖ The **first** coherent $\psi(2S)$ measurement in **forward rapidity** at the LHC



Results are compared to:

- **pQCD models:** nPDFs for the nuclear shadowing effect.
- **Colour-dipole models:** draw different model tuning options as theoretical variations.
- In a good agreement with data shape, normalisations are different.

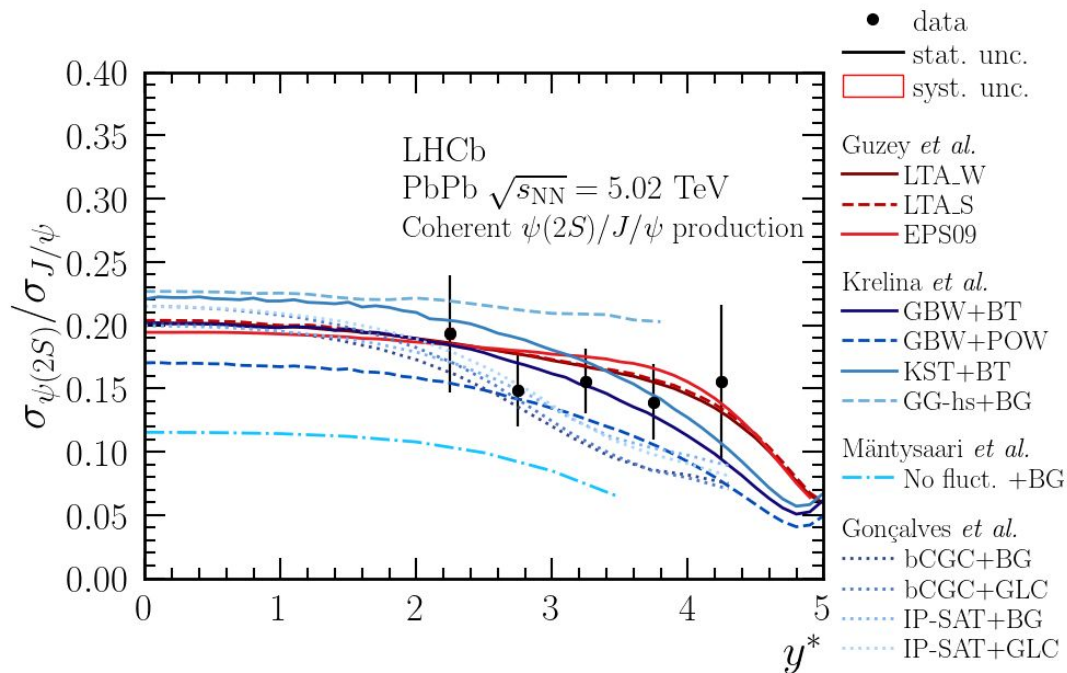
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4. Differential cross section ratio of $\psi(2S)$ over J/ψ as a function of rapidity:

- ❖ The **first** cross-section ratio between J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ vs. rapidity in **forward rapidity** region at the LHC.

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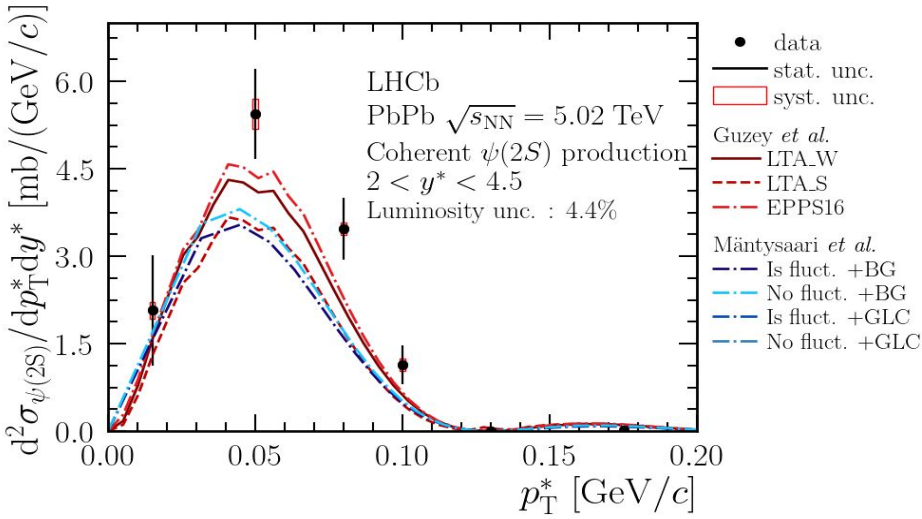
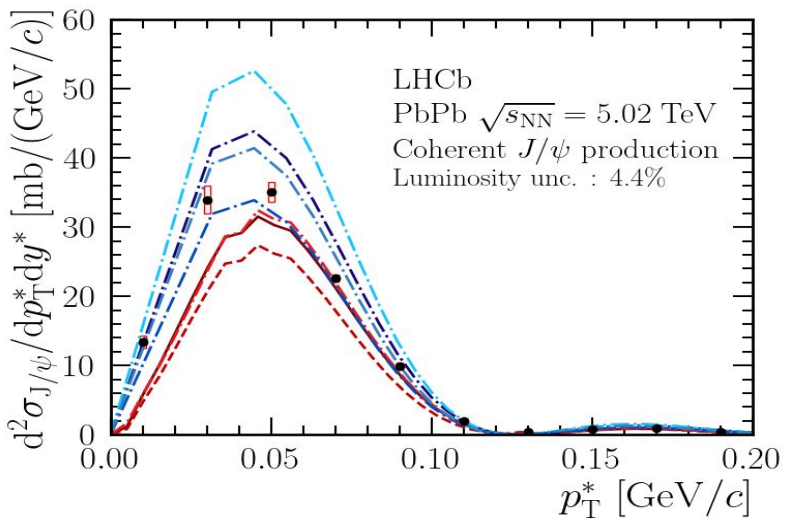
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Coherent charmonium photo-production in UPC

5. Differential cross section of J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ as a function of p_T :

❖ The **first** measurement of the coherent J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ production cross-section **vs. p_T** in PbPb UPC.



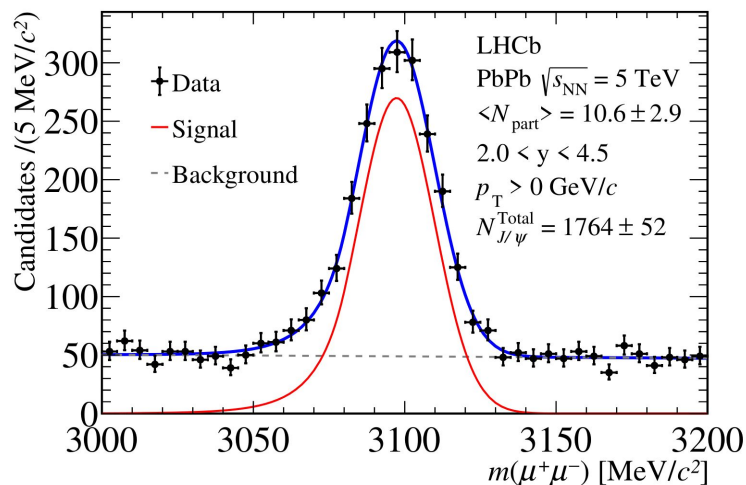
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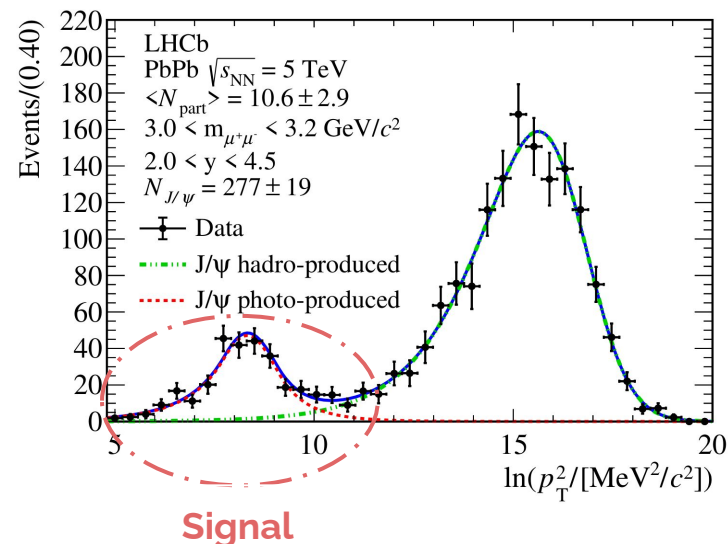
Coherent J/ψ photo-production in PC

- ❖ **Data sets:** PbPb collisions at 5.02 TeV at LHCb in 2018, Centrality: limited to **60-90%**.
- ❖ **Event selection:**
 - A minimum energy in the ECAL calorimeter is required to avoid any UPC contamination.
 - Reconstructed with two dimuon channel with $p_T < 15$ GeV.

(1) J/ψ yields extracted from dimuon mass fit:



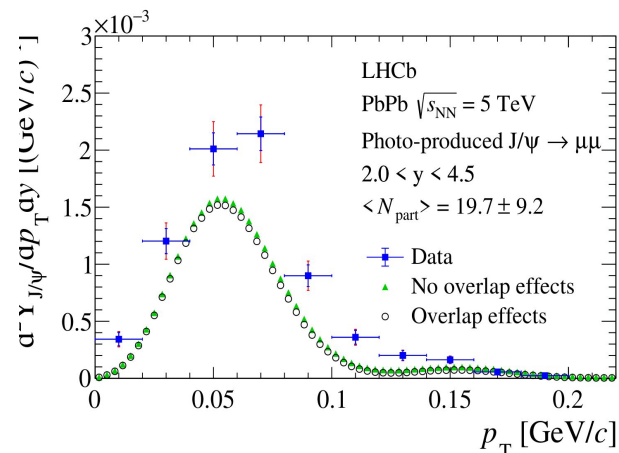
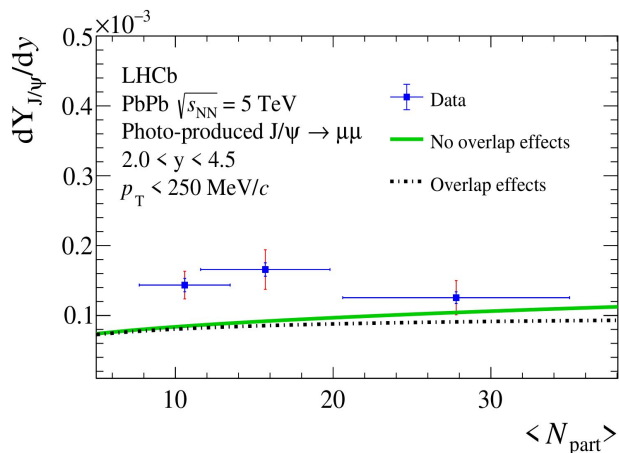
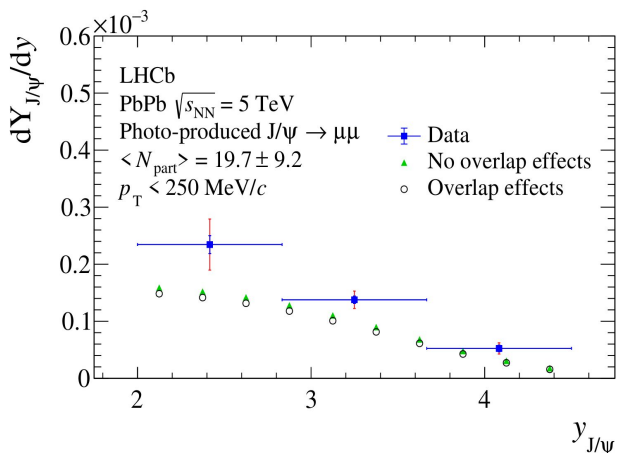
(2) Coherent yields extracted from $\log(p_T)^2$ fit:



Coherent J/ψ photo-production in PC

(3) Results:

1. Differential yields of coherent J/ψ photo-production as a function of y , p_T , N_{part} :



- ❑ **First** measurement in PbPb **hadronic** collisions at LHCb.
- ❑ Results compare with one model with two assumptions: ([W. Zha et al. Phys. Rev. C97 (2018) 044910 / Phy. Rev. C99, 06901(R)])
 - ❑ **No overlap effects** between the nuclei (UPC-like but small IP)
 - ❑ **Overlap Effects**
- ❑ Trend is consistent, but the data is over above the predictions.

Summary

❖ *LHCb has good capability in Heavy Ion program with UPC physics:*

- **2015 UPC:** Study of coherent J/ψ production in lead-lead collisions at 5TeV
- **2018 UPC:** Study of the coherent charmonium production in ultra-peripheral lead-lead collisions
 - The most **precise** measurement for coherent J/ψ production in PbPb UPC in the **forward** rapidity to date.
 - The **first** measurement of coherent $\psi(2S)$ vs. γ , cross section ratio vs. γ , coherent J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ vs. pT .
 - Results are compatible with **theoretical predictions**, strong constraints for the fine-tuning of the models.



More theoretical models (STARlight, new NLO pQCD calculation, nPDF uncertainty, renormalization scale uncertainty, etc) is added, will come soon!!

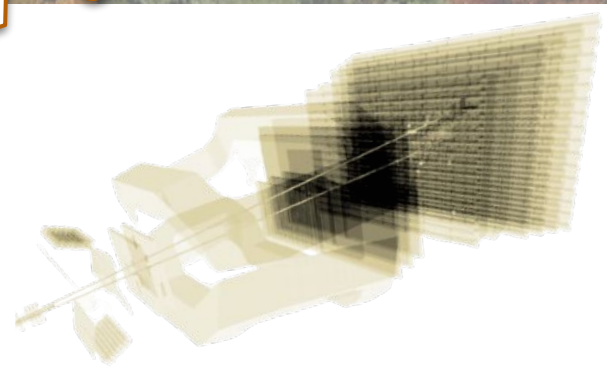
- **2018 PC:** Measurement of photo-produced J/ψ in peripheral PbPb collisions
 - **First** result using PbPb **hadronic** collisions in LHCb.

❖ *More promising photo-production measurement at LHCb in the future:*

- Other photo-production measurements in UPCs are on-going: $\phi \rightarrow K^+ K^-$, $\rho \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$, etc...
- With Run3 high luminosity:
 - Bottomium, incoherent components, etc.
 - with Fixed target program.



Thanks for your listening



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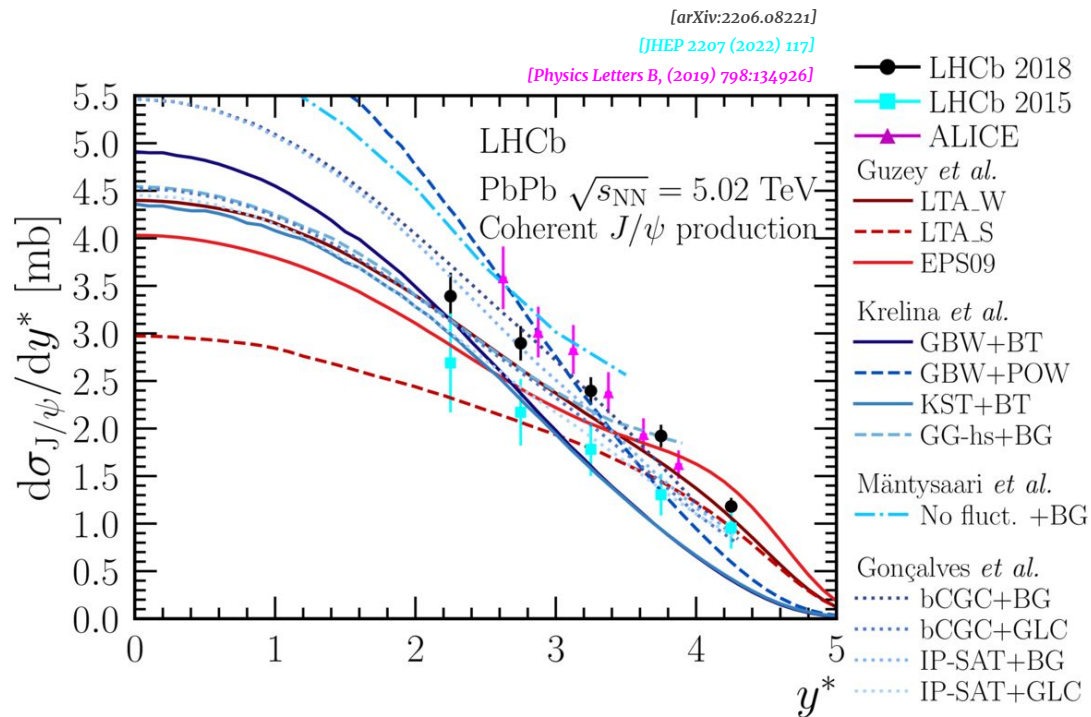


Coherent charmonium photo-production in UPC

The **LHCb 2018** J/ψ measurement is compatible with **LHCb 2015** and **ALICE** results.

The difference between the **LHCb 2018** and **LHCb 2015** measurement is about **2.0σ** .

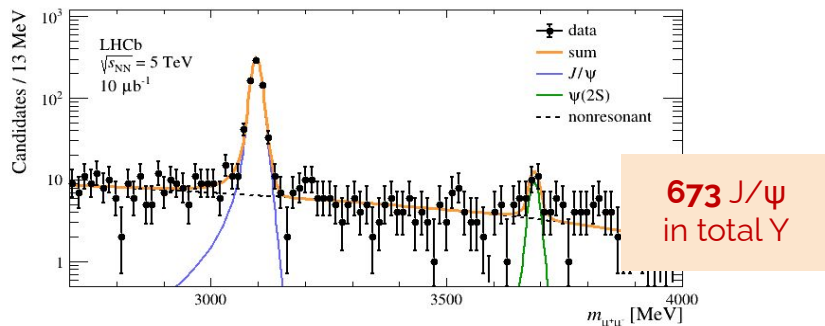
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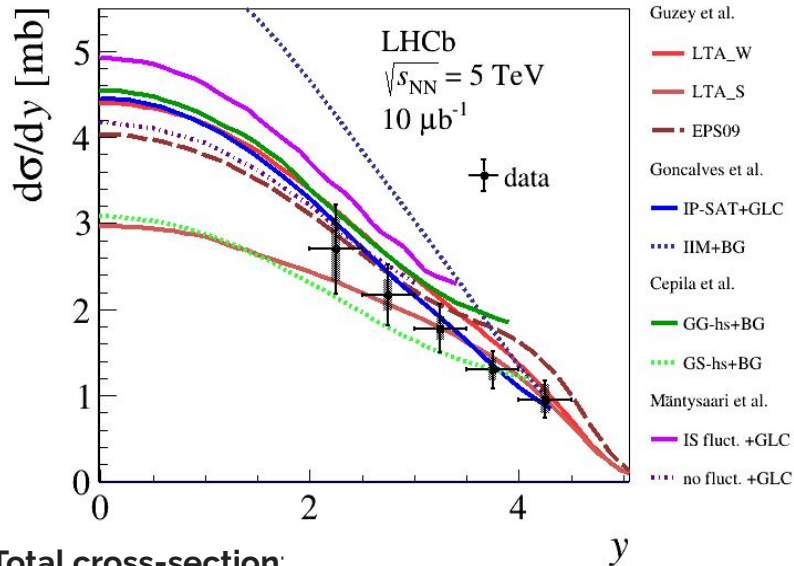
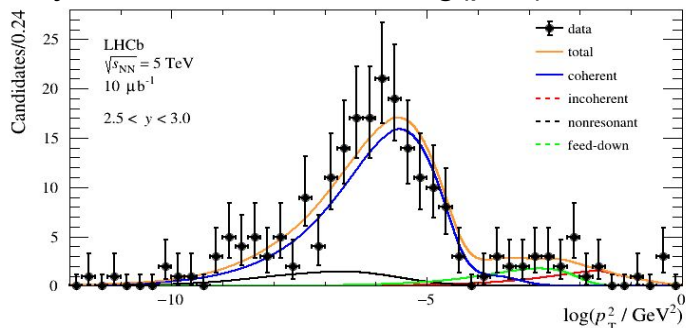
Coherent J/ψ production in 2015 PbPb UPC

Measurement of coherent J/ψ in UPC, using a data sample collected by the LHCb experiment in 2015 PbPb. **First** UPC results in LHCb - a **baseline** to 2018 PbPb measurement!

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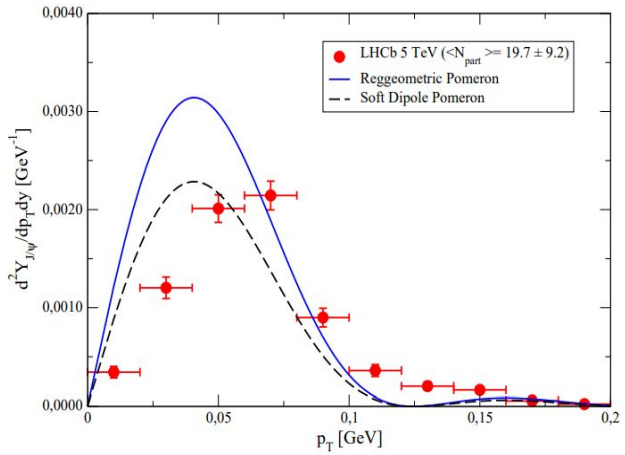
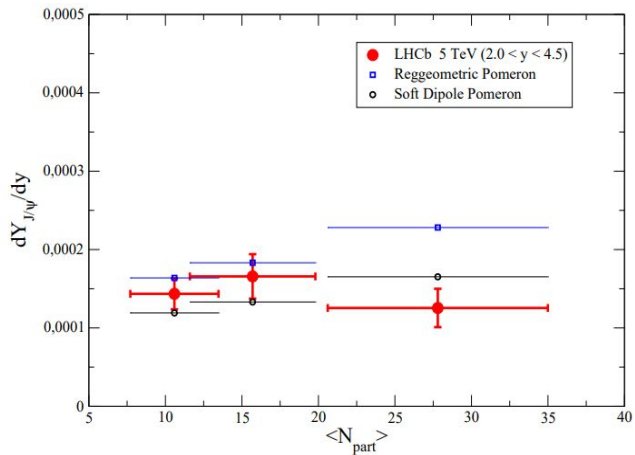
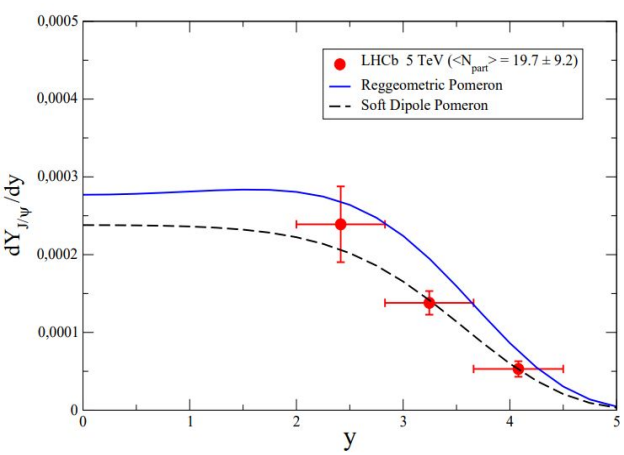
(2) Coherent yields extracted from $\log(p_T^2)$ fit:



- ❖ **Total cross-section:**
 $4.45 \pm 0.24(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.18(\text{sys.}) \pm 0.58(\text{lumi}) \text{ mb}$
- ❖ **Differential cross-section** are compared to different phenomenological predictions.

Coherent J/ψ photo-production in PC

- Results are compared to **Reggeometric Pomeron model** and **soft dipole pomeron model**, based on Regge phenomenology formalism



- Recent preprint shows good agreement with the **soft dipole pomeron model**

LHCb HeRSChel detector

High Rapidity Shower Counters for LHCb(HeRSChel)

- ❖ A set of plastic scintillators used in order to detect any activity in high pseudorapidity range ($5 < |\eta| < 10$).
- ❖ **5 Stations**(2 Forward + 3 Backward) \times **4 Quadrant** = **20 channels** in total, installed close to the beam.
- ❖ **Remove background** activities close to the beam, but also cut a small fraction of signal.

