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Prompt J/ψ and $b \rightarrow J/\psi$ X production in pp-collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV at LHCb

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- The LHCb detector
- New J/ψ productions cross sections results (prompt and from B decay)
- Future prospects



Physics motivation

- **J/ψ produced in abundance at LHC:** enough statistics to study the production cross sections already with the first LHC data.
- **Measurement very important:**
 - J/ψ production mechanism not well understood, the color-octet model used to fit the CDF data doesn't describe the J/ψ polarization
 - $b \rightarrow J/\psi X$ decays fundamental for the LHCb core physics program
- **3 main sources of J/ψ :**
 - direct production in pp collisions
 - feed down from heavier charmonium states ($\psi(2S)$, χ_c, \dots)
 - J/ψ from b-hadron decay chains

The LHCb detector

- Forward single arm spectrometer: large and correlated $b\bar{b}$ quark production in the forward region
- Coverage: 15-300 mrad
- Unique acceptance among the LHC experiments: can explore production properties in the forward region.

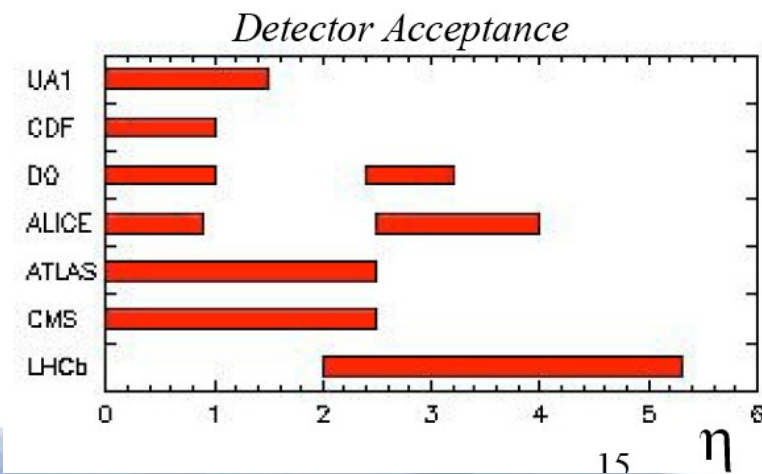
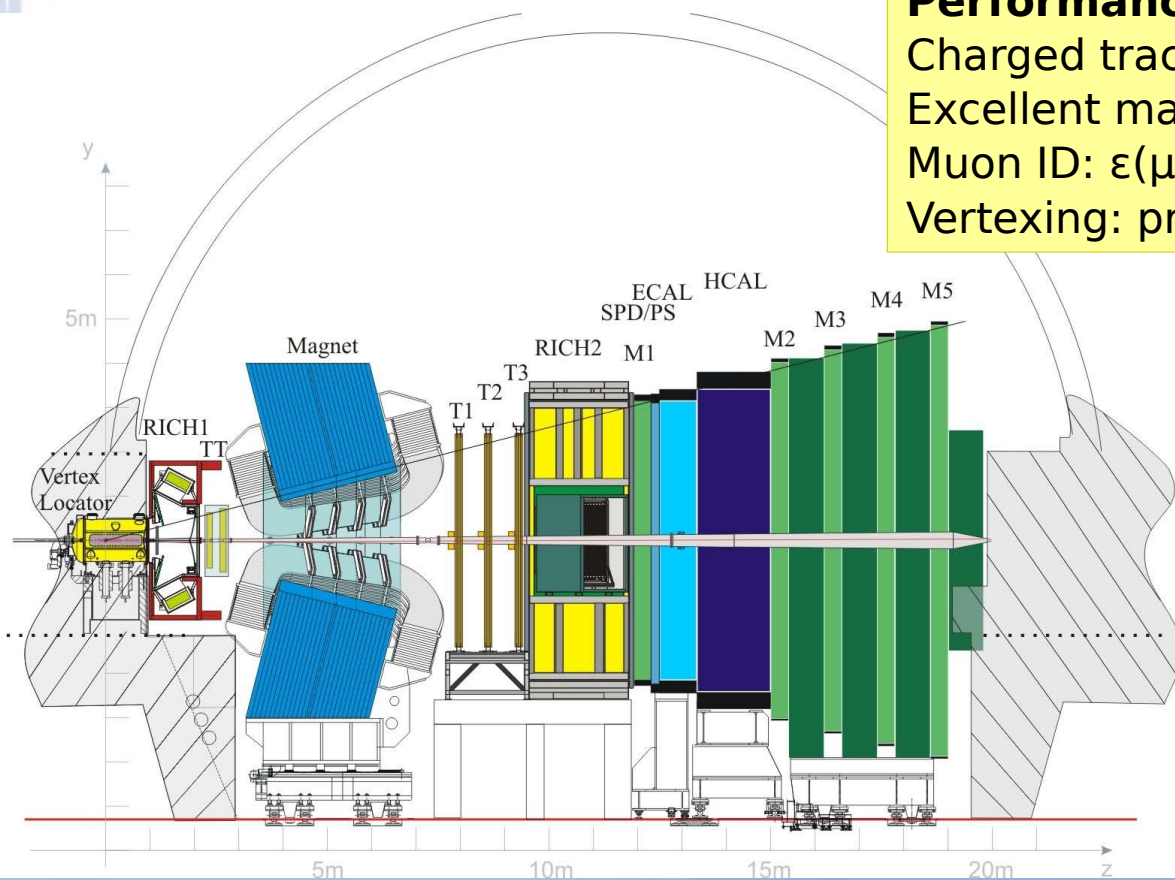
Performance numbers relevant to J/ψ analysis

Charged tracks $\Delta p/p = 0.35\% - 0.55\%$

Excellent mass resolution

Muon ID: $\epsilon(\mu \rightarrow \mu) = 94\%$, mis-ID rate ($\pi \rightarrow \mu$) = 1-3 %

Vertexing: proper time resolution 30-50 fs



The J/ψ cross section

- Differential cross section $d^2\sigma/dp_T dy$ as a function of transverse momentum p_T and rapidity y
 - 14 bins in p_T : $0 < p_T < 14 \text{ GeV/c}$, 5 bins in y : $2 < y < 4.5$
- Two separate measurements:
 - **prompt J/ψ**: direct production in pp collisions or seed down from other charmonium states ($\psi(2S)$, χ_c ...)
 - **J/ψ from B decay**
- Use $(5.2 \pm 0.5) \text{ pb}^{-1}$ of data collected at the end of September 2010 at LHCb, with pp collisions at center of mass energy of 7 TeV:
- Two different trigger conditions:
 - 2.2 pb^{-1} with HLT1 single muon line at full rate
 - 3 pb^{-1} with HLT1 single muon line pre-scaled ($\times 0.2$), to cope with instantaneous luminosity increase.

Trigger and selection

Trigger

L0	Single Muon	$p_T > 1.4 \text{ GeV/c}$
	Di-Muon	$p_{T,1} > 0.56 \text{ GeV/c}, p_{T,2} > 0.48 \text{ GeV/c}$
HLT1	Single Muon	Confirm L0 single Muon and $p_T > 1.8 \text{ GeV/c}$ (Pre-scaled in Trigger 2 by 0.2)
	Di-Muon	Confirm L0 Di-Muon and $M_{\mu\mu} > 2.5 \text{ GeV/c}^2$
HLT2	Di-Muon	$M_{\mu\mu} > 2.9 \text{ GeV/c}^2$

Offline selection

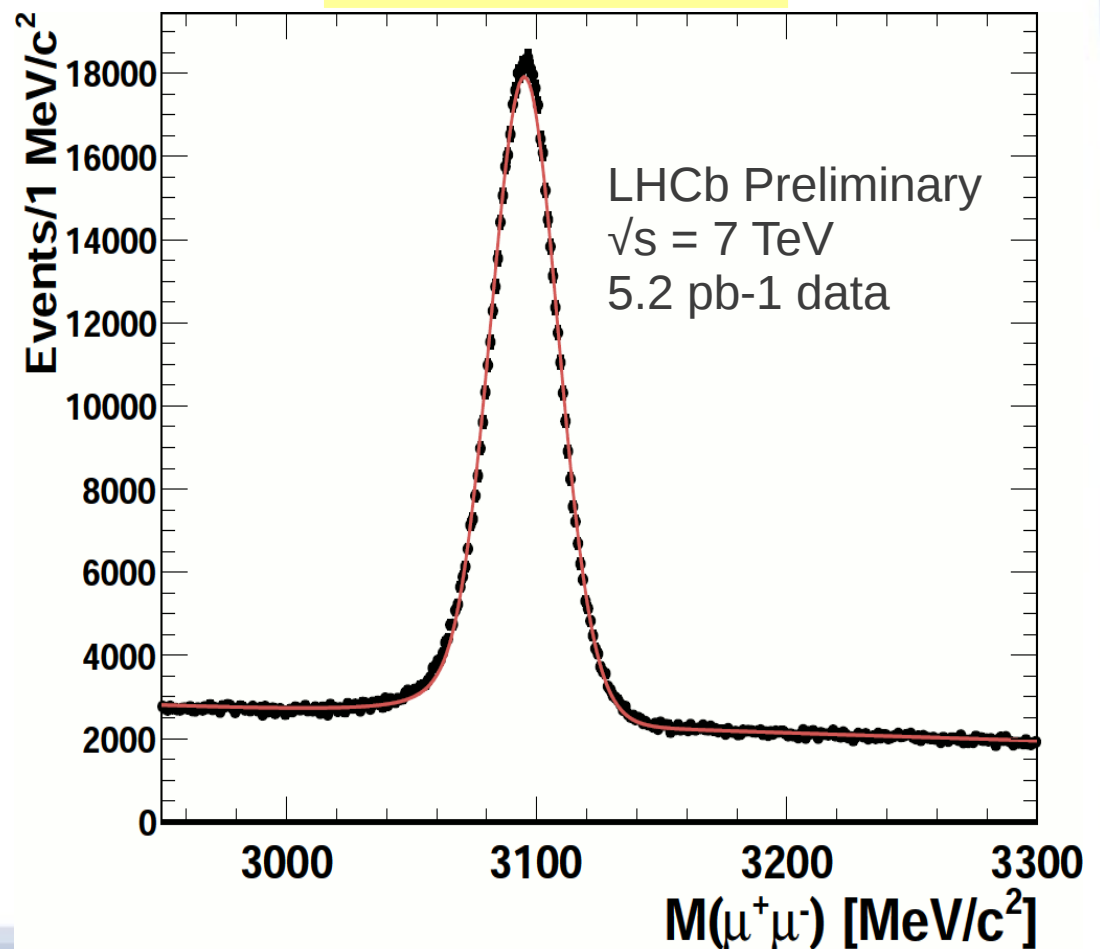
- Muon track well reconstructed and identified as muon
- Muon $p_T > 0.7 \text{ GeV/c}$
- Muon track fit quality: $\chi^2/\text{nDoF} < 4$
- J/ψ mass window: 0.15 GeV/c^2 ,
- J/ψ vertex fit quality: $P(\chi^2) > 0.5\%$.

J/ψ invariant mass fit

- To take into account of the radiative tail, a **Crystal Ball** function is used to fit the signal
- Combinatorial background reasonably fit with a negative exponential
- Excellent mass resolution (~ 15 MeV/c² depending on bin)
- Same plot has been done for each bin of p_T and y to evaluate the number of J/ψ in each bin

$$f_{\text{CB}}(x; M, \sigma, a, n) = \begin{cases} \frac{\left(\frac{n}{|a|}\right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2}a^2}}{\left(\frac{n}{|a|} - |a| - \frac{x-M}{\sigma}\right)^n} & \frac{x-M}{\sigma} < -|a| \\ \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-M}{\sigma}\right)^2\right) & \frac{x-M}{\sigma} > -|a|. \end{cases}$$

$$N = 564603 \pm 924$$



J/ψ cross section evaluation

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dydp_T} = \frac{N(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{L} \times \epsilon_{\text{tot}} \times \mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \times \Delta y \times \Delta p_T}$$

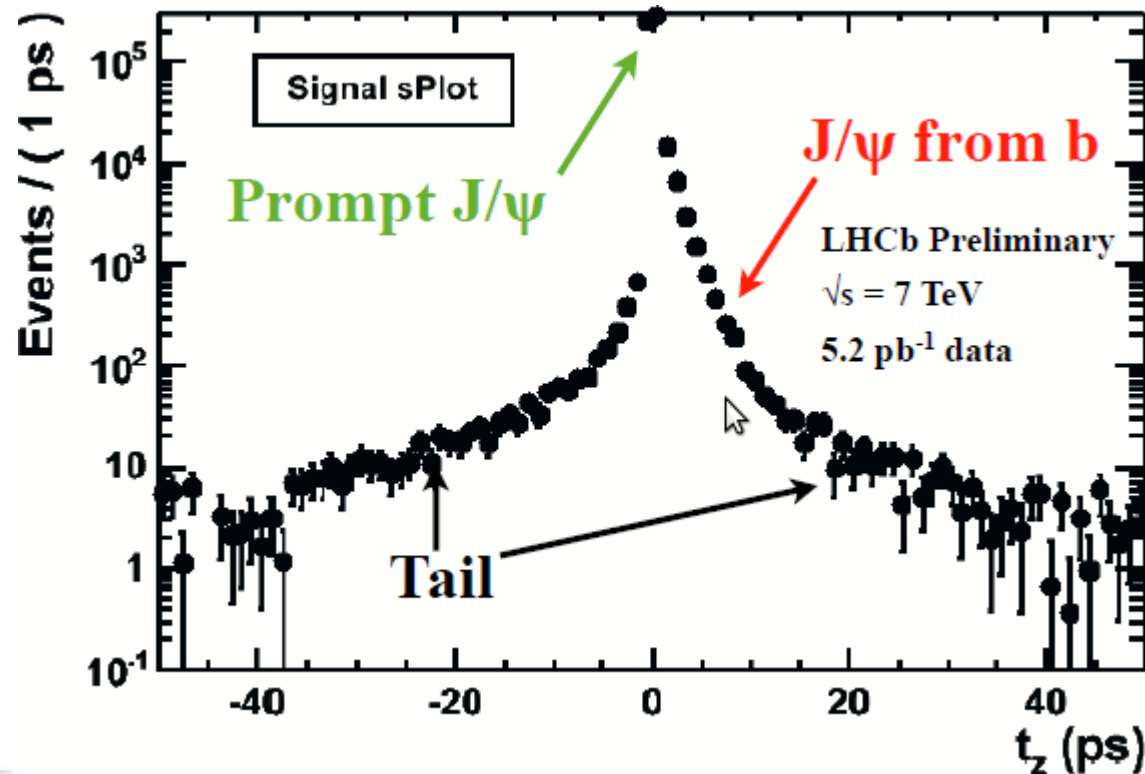
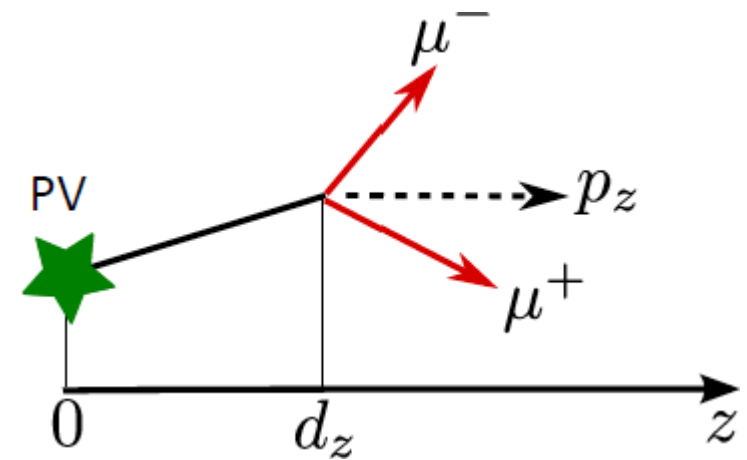
where....

- **$N(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$** is the number of observed decays in a certain p_T and y bin
- **\mathcal{L}** is the total integrated luminosity (5.2 pb⁻¹)
- **ϵ_{tot}** is the total efficiency, containing acceptance, trigger, reconstruction etc...
- **$\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$** is the $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ branching ratio: $(5.94 \pm 0.06)\%$
- **$\Delta y=0.5$, $\Delta p_T=1$ MeV/c** are the bin sizes

Separation of prompt J/ψ and J/ψ from b

To distinguish prompt J/ψ from $b \rightarrow J/\psi$ decays, we use the pseudo-proper time t_z

$$t_z(J/\psi) = \frac{d_z \times M_{J/\psi}}{p_z}$$



t_z tail

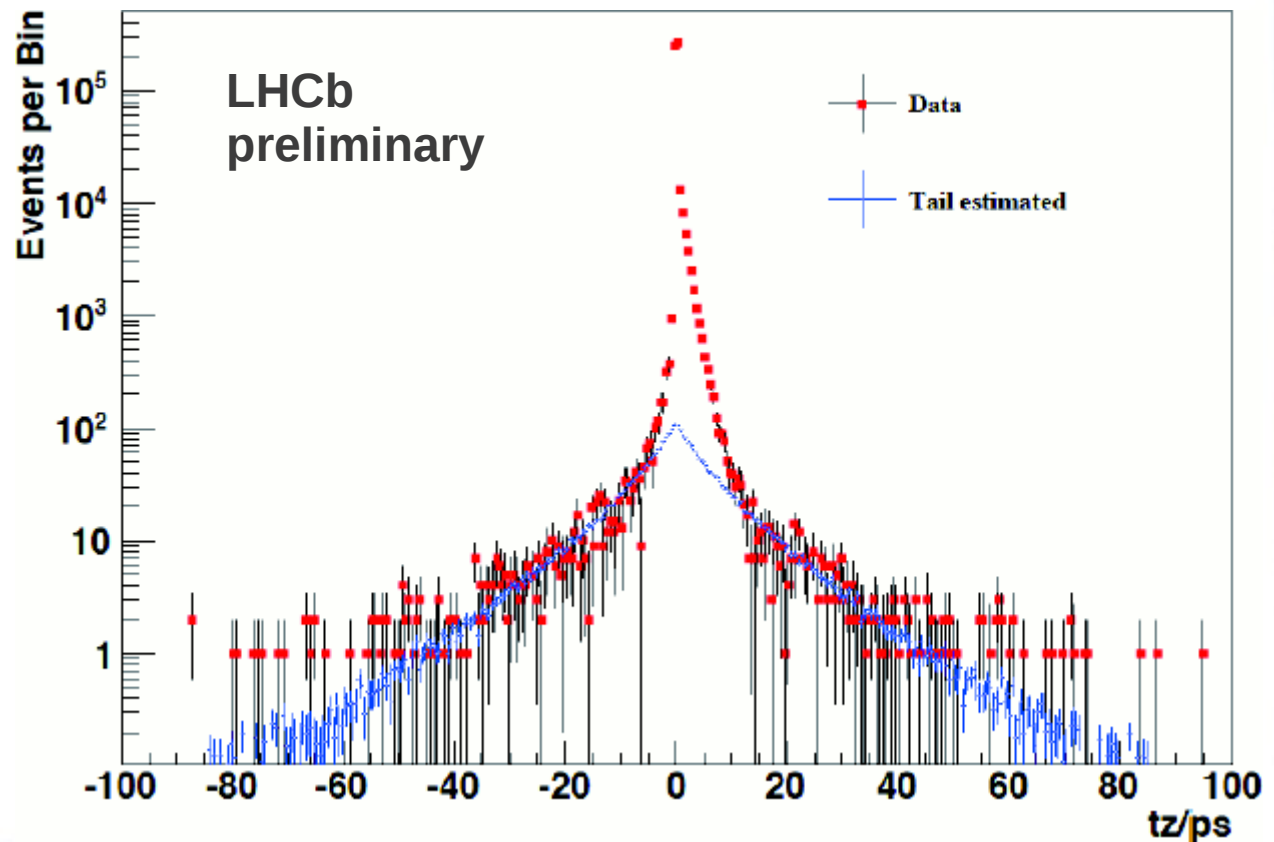
The very long symmetric tails (up to 40 ps) are due to a wrong primary vertex (PV) association. The shape of this tails is determined directly from data considering the PV of the next event, so completely uncorrelated (simulating a wrong association)

$$t_z^{\text{next}}(J/\psi) = \frac{(z_{J/\psi} - z_{\text{PV}}^{\text{next}}) \times M_{J/\psi}}{p_z}$$

■ Data, side-bands subtracted

+ “next event” method tail simulation

The “next event” method reproduces the tails very well



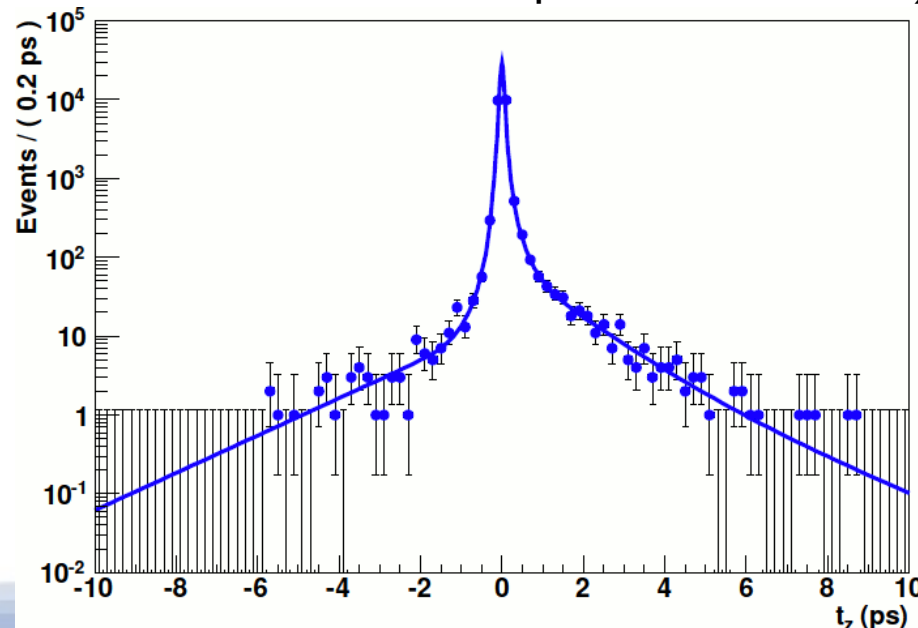
t_z signal and background functions

To fit the t_z distribution we used the following function:

Signal:
$$f_{\text{signal}}(t_z; f_p, f_b, \tau_b) = f_p \delta(t_z) + f_b \frac{e^{-t_z/\tau_b}}{\tau_b} + (1 - f_b - f_p) f_{\text{tail}}(t_z)$$

Prompt J/ψ (delta) + J/ψ from B (negative exponential) + t_z tail, all convolved with a resolution function (double Gaussian)

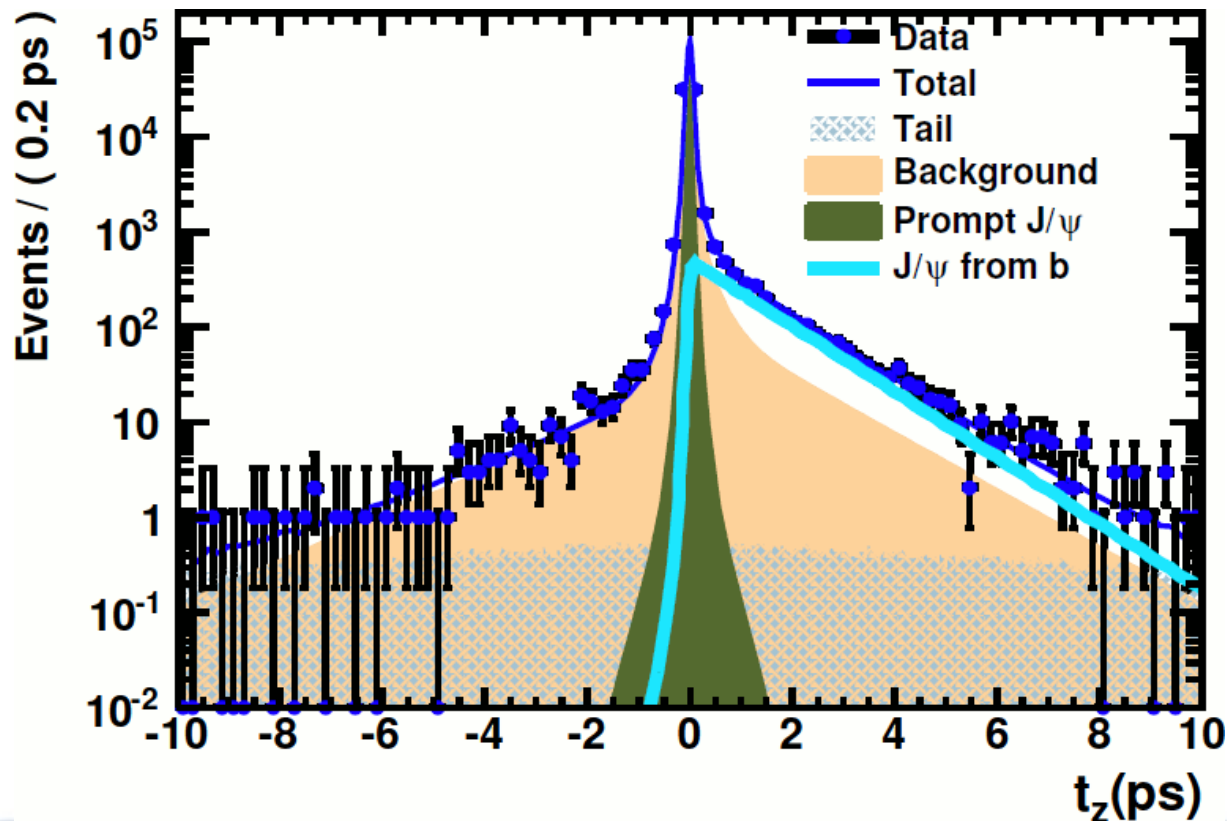
Background: Background contribution to the t_z distribution is parameterized with an empirical function, which is the sum of a delta function and five exponentials (three for positive t_z and two for negative t_z , the negative and positive exponentials), convolved with the sum of two Gaussian functions (the choice of the background function is motivated by the shape of the t_z distribution seen in the J/ψ mass sidebands).



t_z fit

A combined fit in t_z and mass is performed in every p_T and y bin to extract the number of prompt J/ψ and J/ψ from B decay

t_z distribution with the fit result superimposed for the bin: $3 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 4 \text{ GeV}/c$, $2.5 < y < 3$.



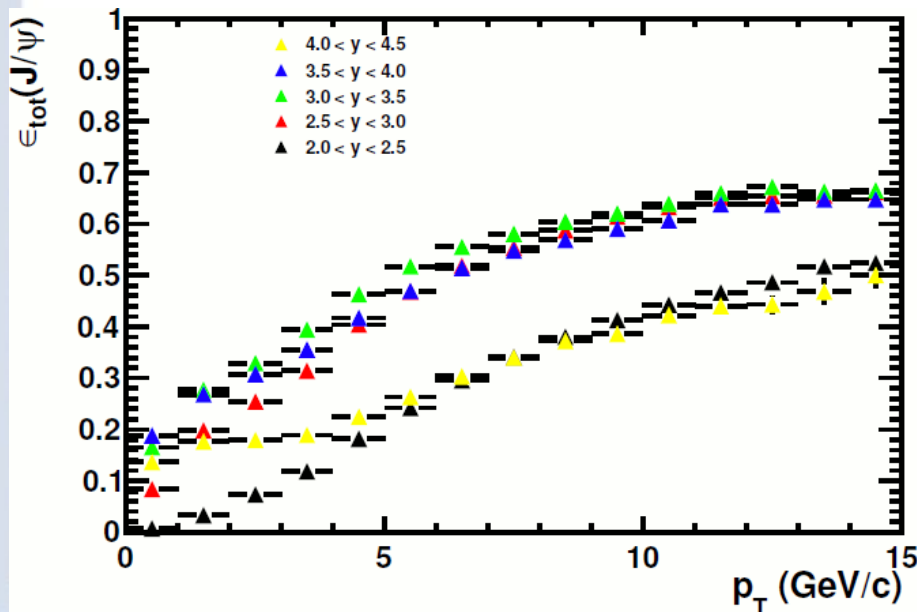
Efficiency evaluation

- A sample of fully simulated inclusive J/ψ is used to estimate the total efficiency ϵ_{tot} in each bin of p_T and rapidity. The total efficiency includes the geometrical acceptance ϵ_{acc} , the detection, reconstruction and selection efficiency combined in an efficiency term ϵ_{rec} and the trigger efficiency ϵ_{tri} :

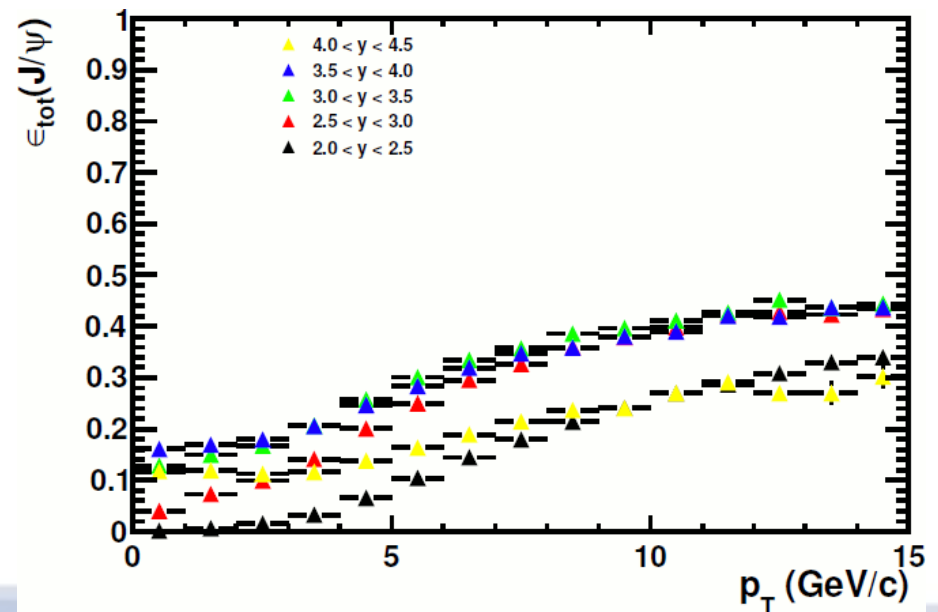
$$\epsilon_{\text{tot}} = \epsilon_{\text{acc}} \times \epsilon_{\text{rec}} \times \epsilon_{\text{tri}}$$

- Efficiencies are computed from Monte Carlo and are extensively checked on data, with control samples. Prompt J/ψ and J/ψ from B result to have the same efficiency (small differences are treated as systematic uncertainties)

Single muon not prescaled



Single muon prescaled



Systematic effects

- A large number of systematic uncertainties have been studied in details on data and MC (trigger, global cuts, track χ^2 , vertexing, global fit)
 - The systematic uncertainty associated with the trigger efficiency is evaluated by comparing data with simulation. Trigger efficiency in data uses a trigger unbiased event sample, i.e., a sample in which the event would still be triggered if the J/ψ candidate were removed (Trigger Independent of Signal, TIS)

Quantity	Systematic error	Comment
Trigger	1.7% to 4.5%	Bin dependent
GEC	2 %	Correlated between bins
Muon identification	2.5%	Correlated between bins
Tracking efficiency	8%	Correlated between bins
Track χ^2	1%	Correlated between bins
Vertexing	1%	Correlated between bins
Mass fits	1%	Correlated between bins
Bin size	0.1% to 15%	Bin dependent
Inter-bin cross-feed	0.5%	Correlated between bins (not applied to the total cross-section)
Radiative tail	1%	Correlated between bins
$\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$	1%	Correlated between bins
Luminosity	10%	Correlated between bins
t_z fits	3.6%	Correlated between bins
GEC efficiency of B events	2%	Applies only to J/ψ from b cross-sections
b hadronization fractions	2%	Applies only to extrapolations of $b\bar{b}$ cross-sections
$\mathcal{B}(b \rightarrow J/\psi X)$	9%	Applies only to extrapolations of $b\bar{b}$ cross-sections

Polarization effect

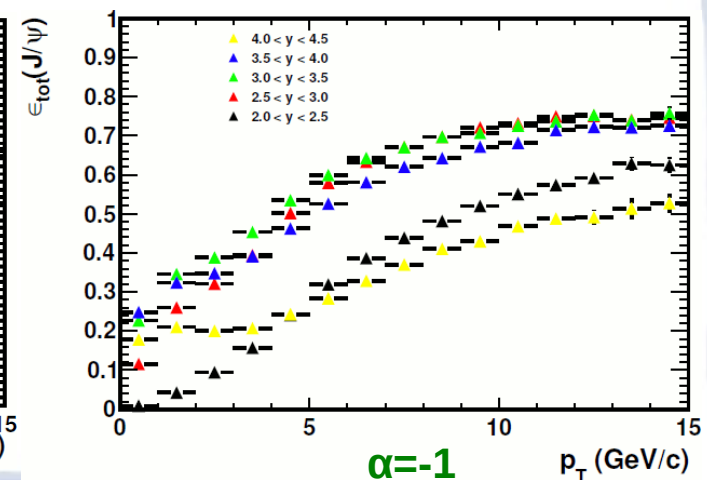
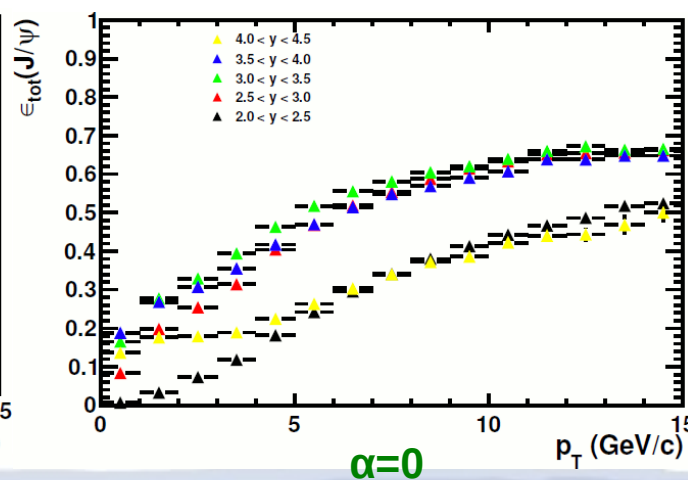
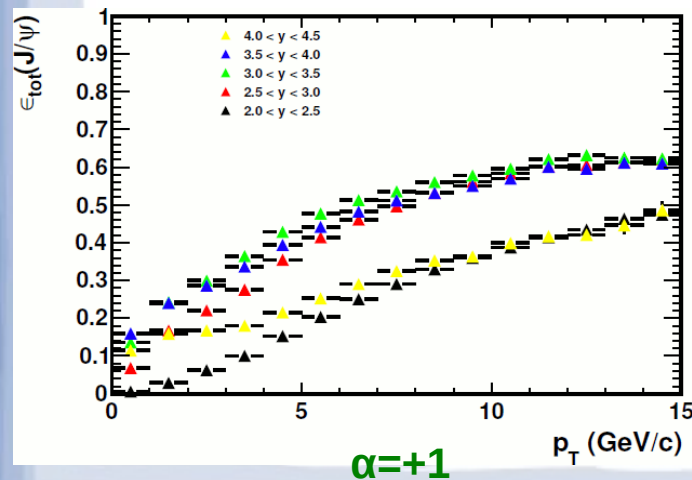
- The efficiency is evaluated from a Monte Carlo simulation in which the J/Ψ is produced unpolarized. However, studies show that both longitudinal and transverse J/Ψ polarization may lead to very different efficiencies.
- 3 extreme polarization cases have been studied, in the helicity frame, where the angular distribution of J/Ψ muons is (integrating over the azimuthal angle ϕ):

$$\frac{dN}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{1 + \alpha \cos^2\theta}{2 + 2 \times \alpha/3}$$

α : polarization
 θ^* : polar angle

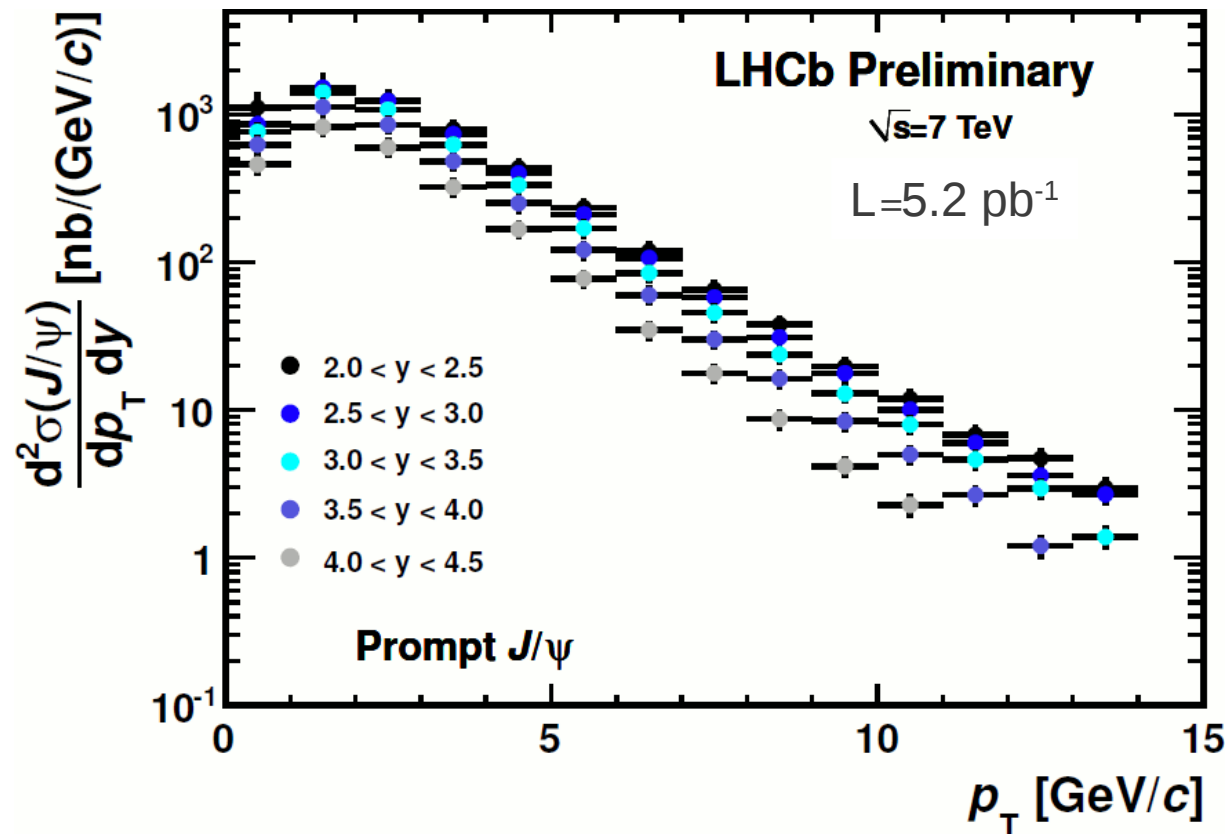
- The plots indicate that the polarization significantly affects the acceptance and reconstruction efficiencies (up to 30%) and that the effect depends on p_T and y . Therefore, waiting for a polarization measurement, the prompt J/Ψ cross-section will be given separately for the three polarizations

Single muon trigger not prescaled



Results: Prompt J/ψ cross section

Differential cross-section for prompt J/ψ in data as a function of p_T in bins of y , assuming that prompt J/ψ are produced unpolarized.



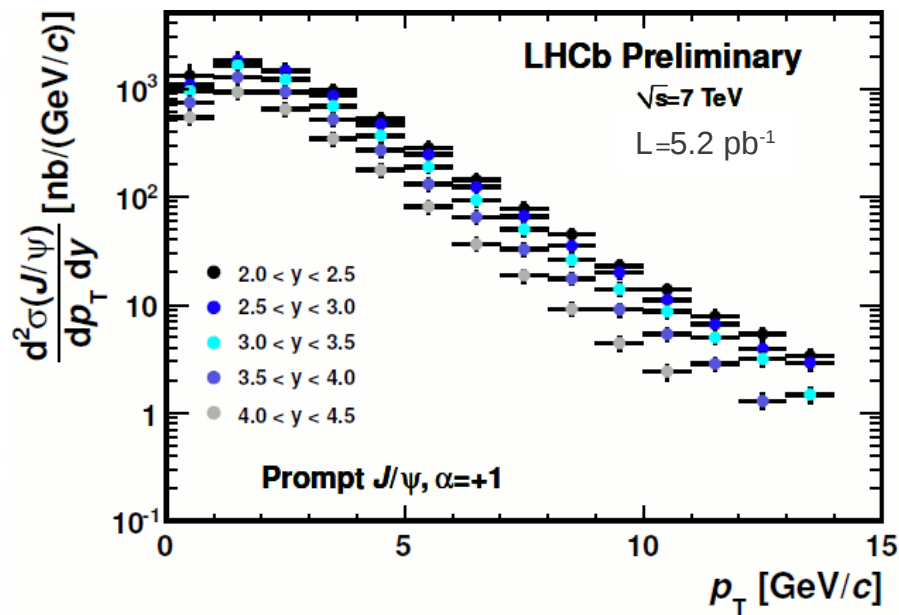
The integrated cross-section for prompt J/ψ production in the defined acceptance, summing over all bins of the analysis, is:

$$\sigma(\text{prompt } J/\psi, p_T < 14 \text{ GeV}/c, 2 < y < 4.5) = 10.8 \pm 0.05 \pm 1.51_{-2.25}^{+1.69} \mu\text{b},$$

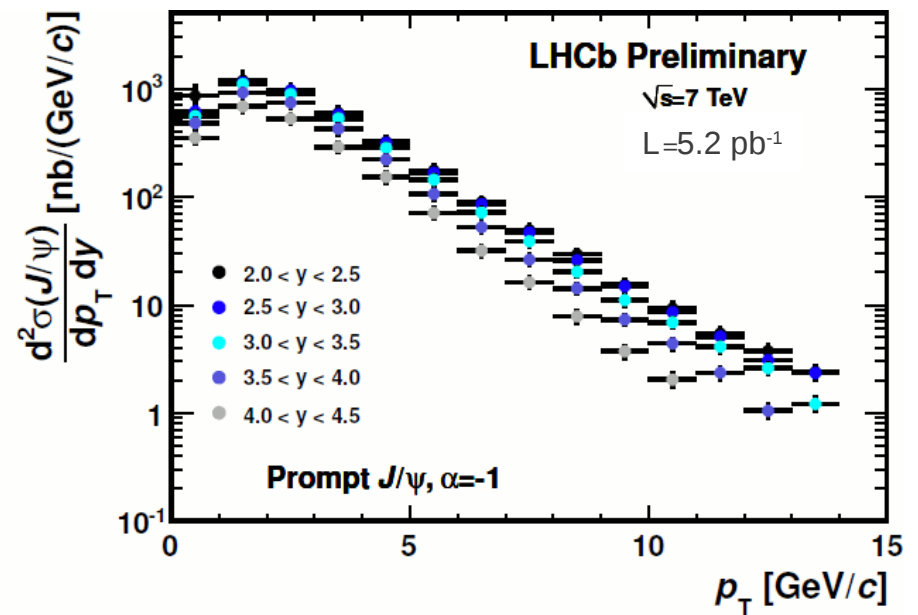
Results: Prompt J/ψ cross section

- Differential cross-section for prompt J/ψ in data as a function of p_T in bins of y , for the two extreme polarization cases.

longitudinal, $\alpha=+1$

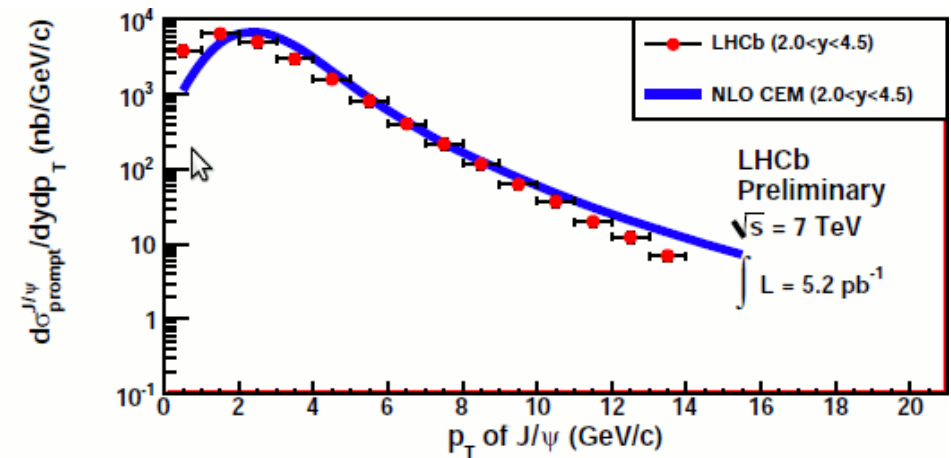
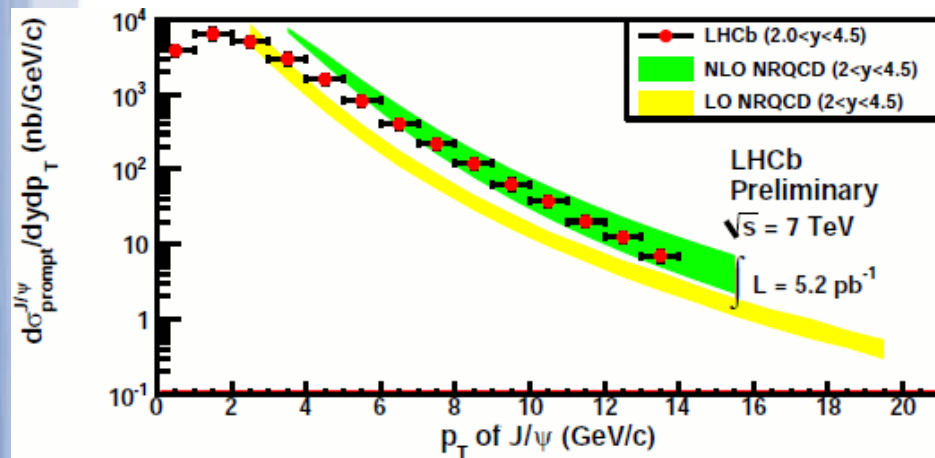


transverse $\alpha=-1$,



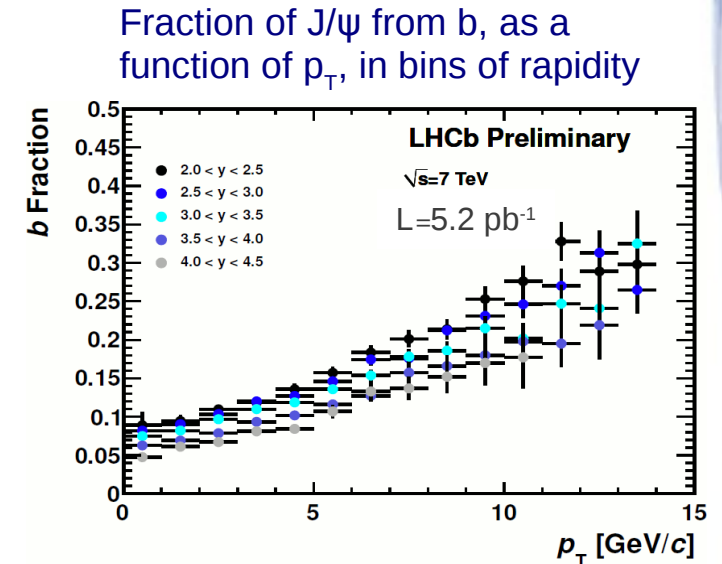
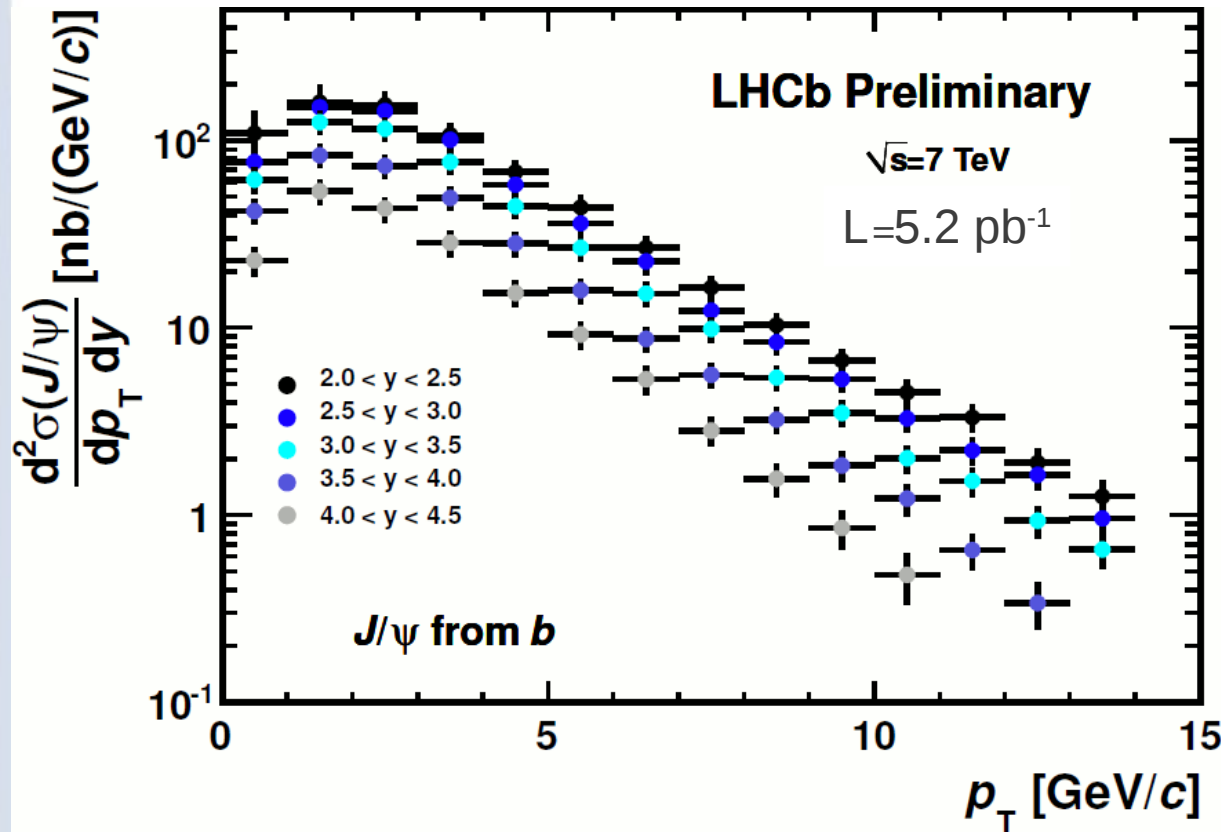
Comparison with theoretical models

- A comparison with three different models is proposed.
 - LO and NLO NRQCD (Non Relativistic QCD summing color Singlet and color Octet)
 - NLO CEM (Color Evaporation Model)
- The NLO NRQCD model seems to fit data reasonably well in the high p_T region, though the uncertainty is much large and there is a clear problem at low p_T .



Results: J/ψ from B cross section

Differential cross-section for J/ψ from B decay
as a function of p_T in bins of y



The integrated cross-section in the defined acceptance,
summing over all bins of the analysis, is:

$$\sigma(J/\psi \text{ from } b, p_T < 14 \text{ GeV}/c, 2 < y < 4.5) = 1.16 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.17 \mu\text{b},$$

Cross section extrapolation

Using the LHCb Monte Carlo simulation based on PYTHIA 6.4, the measurement is extrapolated to the full angular acceptance.

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}X) = \alpha_{4\pi} \frac{\sigma(J/\psi \text{ from } b, p_T < 14 \text{ GeV}/c, 2 < y < 4.5)}{2\mathcal{B}(b \rightarrow J/\psi X)}$$

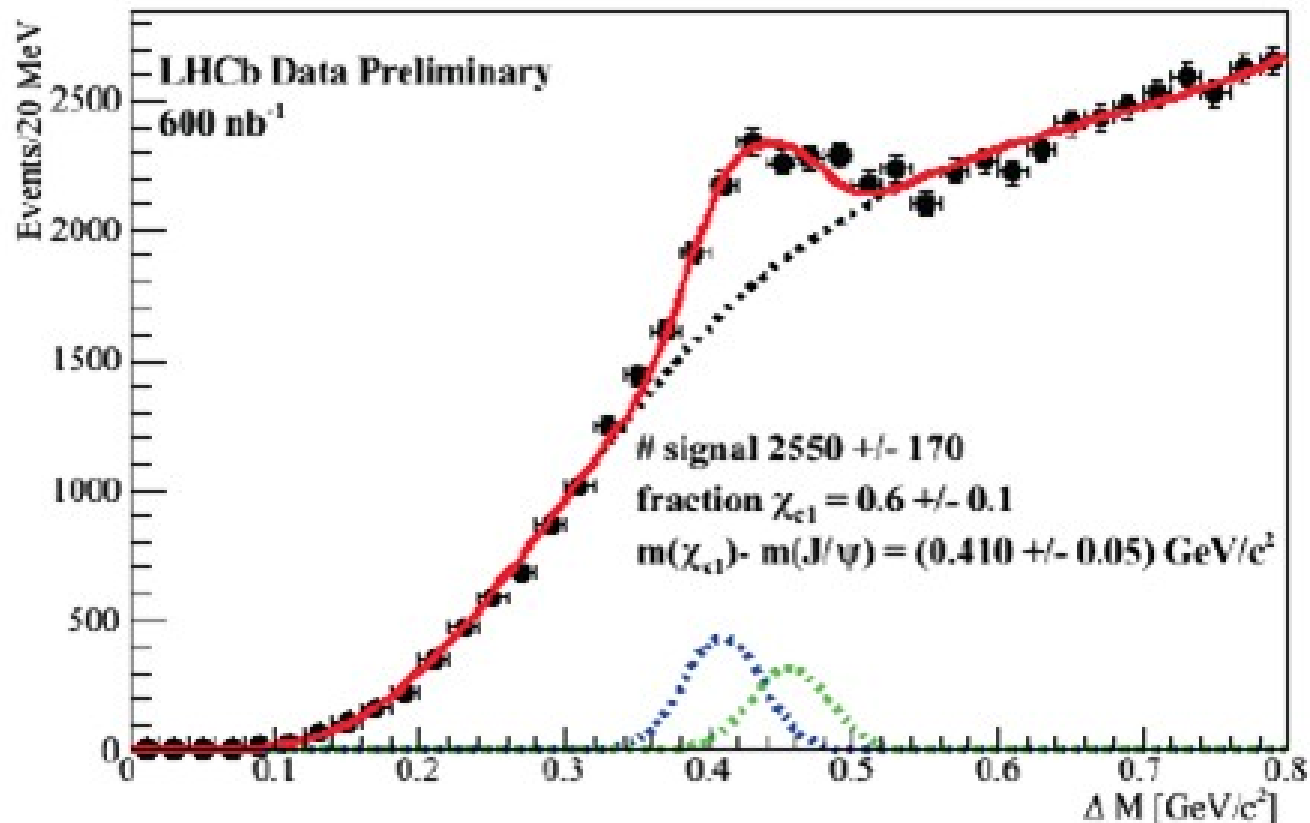
where $\alpha_{4\pi} = 5.88$ is the ratio of J/ψ from b events in the full range over the number of events in the region $2 < y < 4.5$. The results is:

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}X) = 295 \pm 4 \pm 48 \mu\text{b}$$

- First uncertainty is statistical and the second one systematic.
- The systematic uncertainty includes the uncertainties on the b fractions (2%) and on $\mathcal{B}(b \rightarrow J/\psi X)$. No additional uncertainty is assigned to the extrapolation factor $\alpha_{4\pi}$ estimated from the simulation.
- The above result is in excellent agreement with that obtained from b decays into $D^0\mu\nu X$ [Phys.Lett.B694 (2010) 209]: $\sigma(pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}X) = 284 \pm 20 \pm 49 \mu\text{b}$.

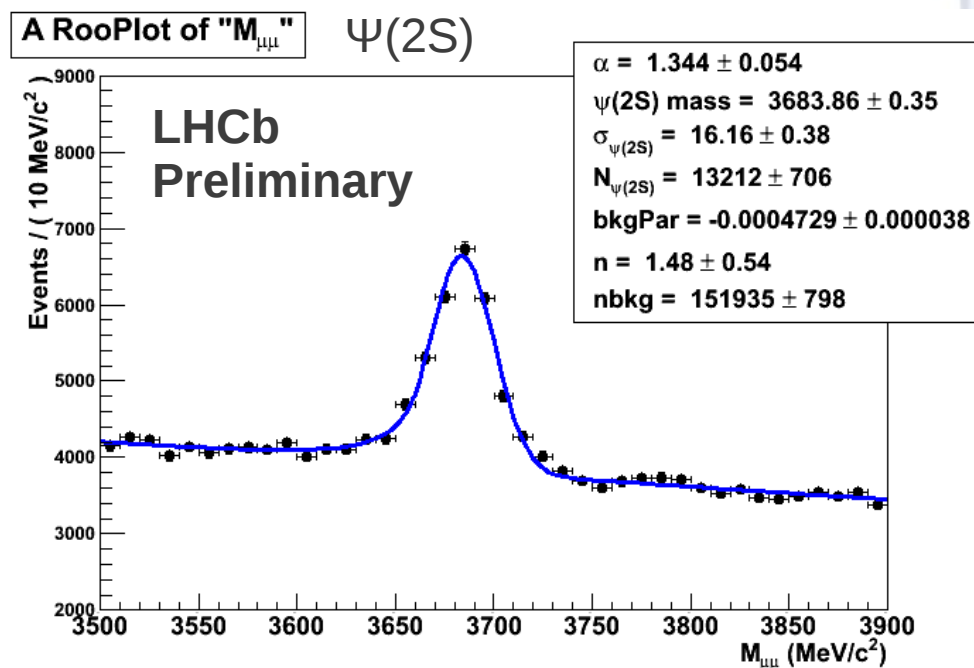
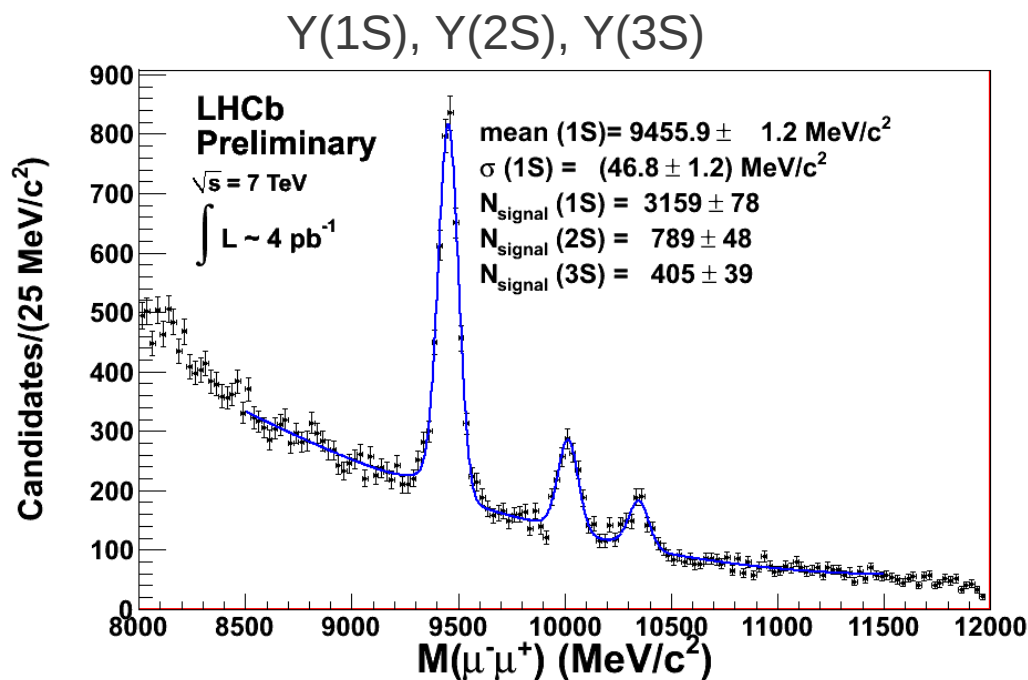
Prospects for future measurements

- **Polarization**: with full data sample, possible (ongoing analysis) to measure polarization of prompt J/ψ , in bins of p_T and y .
- **Measurement of χ_{c1}** cross-section will be possible (will also allow to know proportion of J/ψ from feed-down)



Prospects for future measurements

- Using the $\mu^+ \mu^-$ decay channel, with the full data sample, LHCb will also measure other quarkonium states $\psi(2S)$, $Y(1S)$, $Y(2S)$, $Y(3S)$



Conclusions

- New measurements of the J/Ψ cross sections (prompt and from B decays) have been presented, with 5.2 pb^{-1} of data at the LHCb experiment.
- Cross sections have been measured as a function of p_T and y , extending the range of the first measurement presented
 - ICHEP 2010: 14.2 nb^{-1} with only 10 p_T bins and no bins in rapidity
 - Actual measurement 5.2 pb^{-1}
 - Full statistics analysis (37 pb^{-1}) ongoing
- Large uncertainty is due to unknown J/Ψ polarization: measurement of the polarization is ongoing to address this issue.
- Measurement of $\Psi(2S)$ and $Y(1S)$, $Y(2S)$, $Y(3S)$ cross sections will allow to provide a complete picture of quarkonium production in the forward rapidity region.