

Gluon distribution in the proton and nuclei at small x from photoproduction of charmonia in ultraperipheral collisions at the LHC

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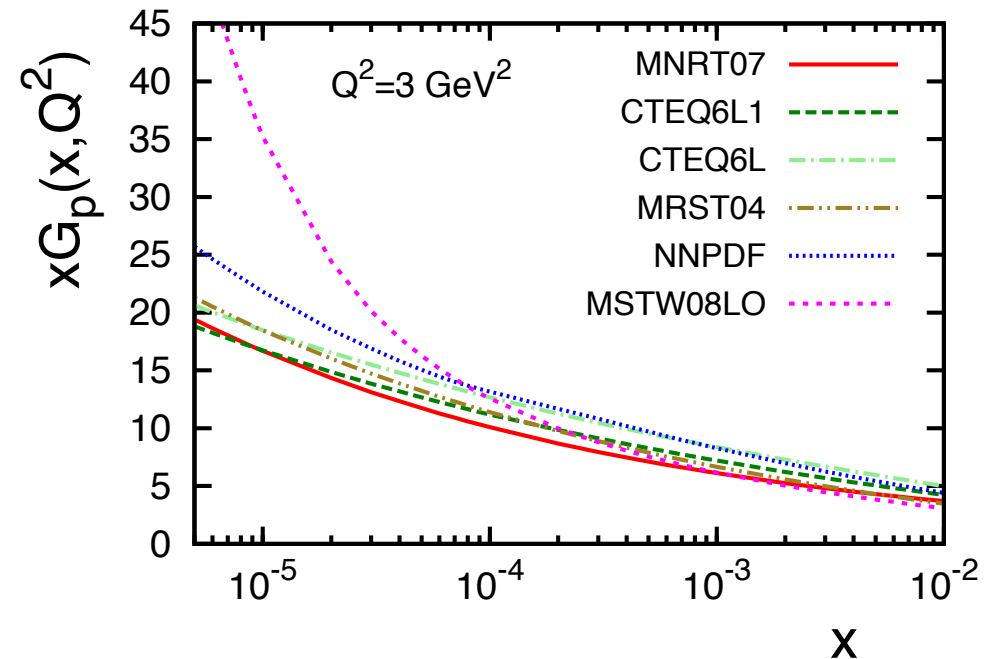
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Outline

- Gluon distributions in the nucleon and nuclei and ion ultraperipheral collisions (UPCs).
- Photoproduction of J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ in pp and pA UPCs at the LHC and constraints on $g_p(x, \mu^2)$ at small x .
- Photoproduction of J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ in Pb-Pb UPCs at the LHC and constraints on $g_A(x, \mu^2)$ at small x .
- Outstanding problems with pQCD description of some AA UPC measurements and possible future directions of UPC studies.

Gluon distribution in the nucleon

- The gluon distribution $g(x, \mu^2)$ in the proton (nucleus) = the probability to find a gluon with the momentum fraction x at the resolution scale μ^2 .
- Fundamental quantity of Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD) describing hadron structure in processes with large momentum transfer.
- Important element of phenomenology of hard processes in QCD (e.g. Higgs, QGP, etc.)
- At small x , the proton $g_p(x, \mu^2)$ is known with significant uncertainties \rightarrow
- New constraints on $g_p(x, \mu^2)$ from production of jets, direct photons, W/Z bosons in $pp@LHC$.
- In distant future, EIC and LHeC.

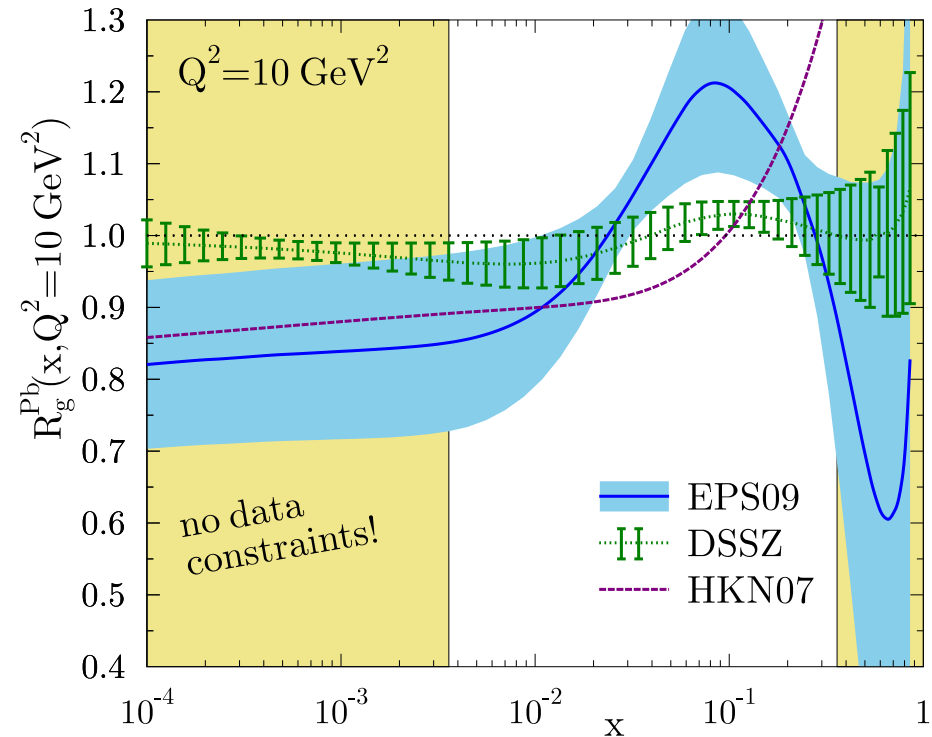


Right now: photoproduction of charmonia (J/ψ , $\psi(2S)$) in ion UPC@LHC.

Gluon distributions in nuclei

- Like in the proton case, $g_A(x, \mu^2)$ is determined from global QCD fits to data.
- Rather large uncertainties, especially at small x in nuclear shadowing region due to:
 - limited kinematics
 - indirect extraction via DGLAP evolution
 - different assumptions about shape
- New constraints on $g_A(x, \mu^2)$ from production of jets, direct photons, W/Z bosons in pA@LHC.
- In distant future, Electron-Ion Collider (EIC).

$$R_g(x, Q^2) = \frac{g_A(x, Q^2)}{Ag_p(x, Q^2)}$$

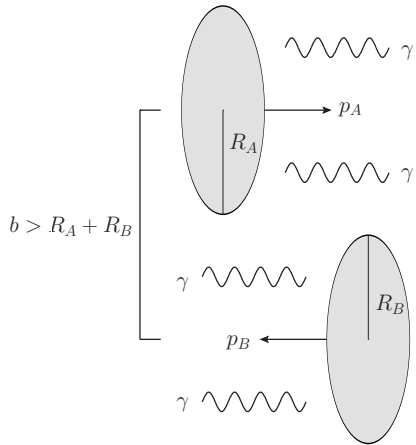


H. Paukunen, NPA 926 (2014) 24

Right now: photoproduction of charmonia (J/ψ , $\psi(2S)$) in AA and pA UPCs at the LHC.

Ultrapерipheral collisions at the LHC

- In **pp**, **pA** and **AA** collisions, ions can scatter at large impact parameters $b > R_A + R_B = 10\text{-}20\text{ fm}$ — **ultrapерipheral collisions (UPCs)**.



UPC events correspond to empty detector with two lepton tracks (from J/ψ decay).

- In **UPCs** the strong interact is suppressed and ions interact via quasi-real photons, E. Fermi (1924), C.F. von Weizsäcker; E.J. Williams (1934)

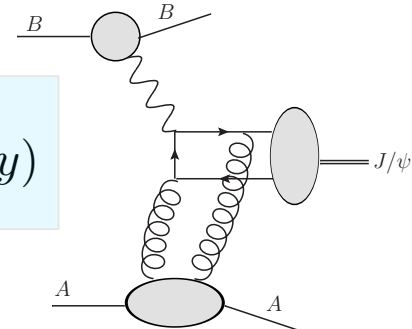
$$\frac{d\sigma_{AB \rightarrow AB J/\psi}(y)}{dy} = k(y) N_{\gamma/A}(y) \sigma_{\gamma B \rightarrow J/\psi B}(y) + k(-y) N_{\gamma/B}(-y) \sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow J/\psi A}(-y)$$

Only for pp: rapidity gap survival

photon flux

photoproduction cross section

$$y = \ln(2\omega/M_{J/\psi}) = \ln(W_{\gamma p}^2/(2\gamma_L m_N M_{J/\psi})) \text{ is } J/\psi \text{ rapidity}$$



UPCs at the LHC (2)

- Photon flux of point-like source:

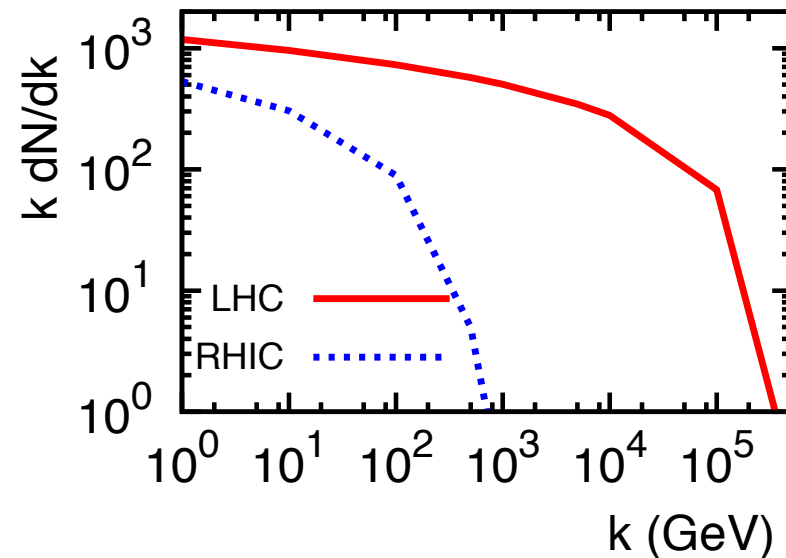
$$N_{\gamma/Z}(k) = \frac{2Z^2\alpha_{\text{em}}}{\pi} \left[\zeta K_0(\zeta) K_1(\zeta) - \frac{\zeta^2}{2} (K_1^2(\zeta) - K_0^2(\zeta)) \right]$$

k =photon energy, $\zeta = k(2R_A/\gamma_L)$

- scales as Z^2 ($Z^2 \approx 7000$ for Pb)

- corresponds to HUGE maximal photon energy in the target rest frame due to large γ_L :
 $\gamma_L \approx 1500$ for Pb-Pb UPCs@2.76 TeV $\rightarrow \omega_{\text{max}} \approx 120 \text{ TeV}$:

Spectrum of equivalent photons in Pb-Pb UPCs in nucleus rest frame \rightarrow



- UPCs give an opportunity to study γp and γA interactions at energies 10 larger than at HERA \rightarrow new constraints on $g_p(x, \mu^2)$ and $g_A(x, \mu^2)$.

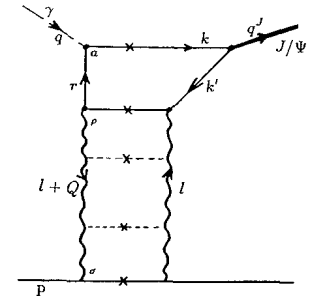
Exclusive photoproduction of charmonium

- In leading order (LO) of perturbative QCD and non-relativistic limit for charmonium (J/ψ , $\psi(2S)$) wave function:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\gamma T \rightarrow J/\psi T}(W, t=0)}{dt} = C(\mu^2) [xG_T(x, \mu^2)]^2$$

$$x = \frac{M_{J/\psi}^2}{W^2},$$

$$\mu^2 = M_{J/\psi}^2/4 = 2.4 \text{ GeV}^2 \quad C(\mu^2) = M_{J/\psi}^3 \Gamma_{ee} \pi^3 \alpha_s(\mu^2) / (48 \alpha_{em} \mu^8)$$



M. Ryskin (1993)

- Relativistic corrections (k_T -formalism), skewed kinematics, real part:

$$C(\mu^2) \rightarrow (1 + \eta^2) R_g^2 F^2(\mu) C(\mu^2) \rightarrow 1.5 F^2(\mu) C(\mu^2)$$

Ryskin, Roberts, Martin, Levin, Z. Phys. C 76 (1997) 231;
Frankfurt, Koepf, Strikman, PRD 57 (1997) 231

- Our phenomenological approach:

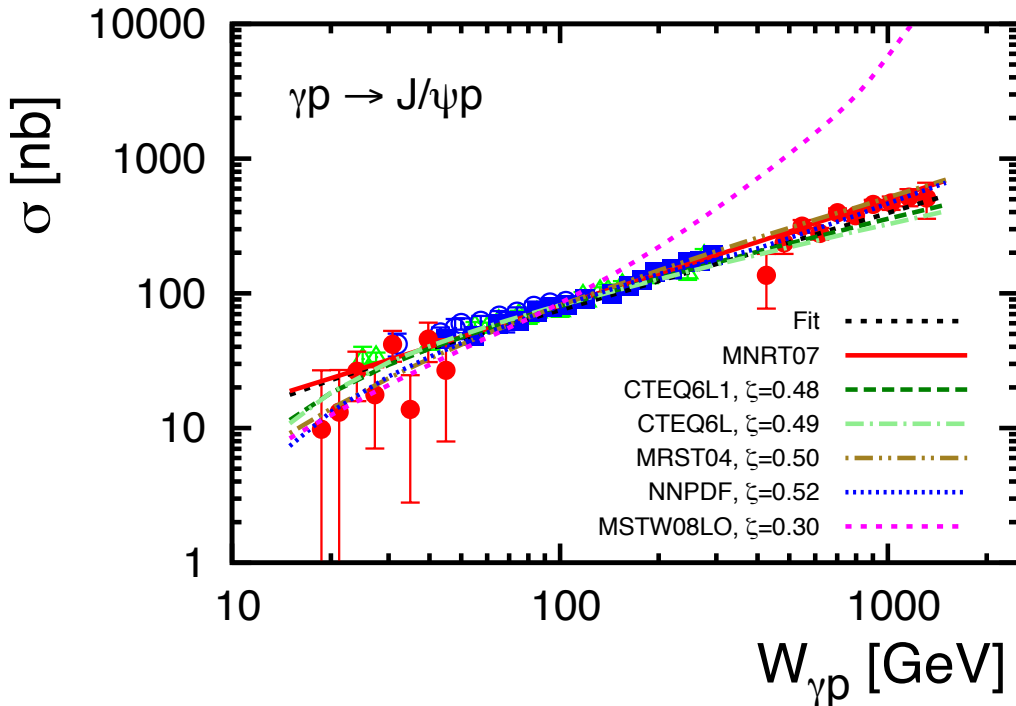
- choose scale μ^2 to describe the W dependence of HERA data
- fix normalization $C(\mu^2)$ using the $W=100$ GeV HERA data point

- Our results:

- J/ψ : $\mu^2 \approx 3 \text{ GeV}^2$, $F^2(\mu^2) \approx 0.5$, Guzey, Zhalov JHEP 1310 (2013) 207
- $\psi(2S)$: $\mu^2 \approx 4 \text{ GeV}^2$, $F^2(\mu^2)$ from $\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow \psi(2S)p} = 0.17 \sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}$ Guzey, Zhalov, arXiv:1405.7529

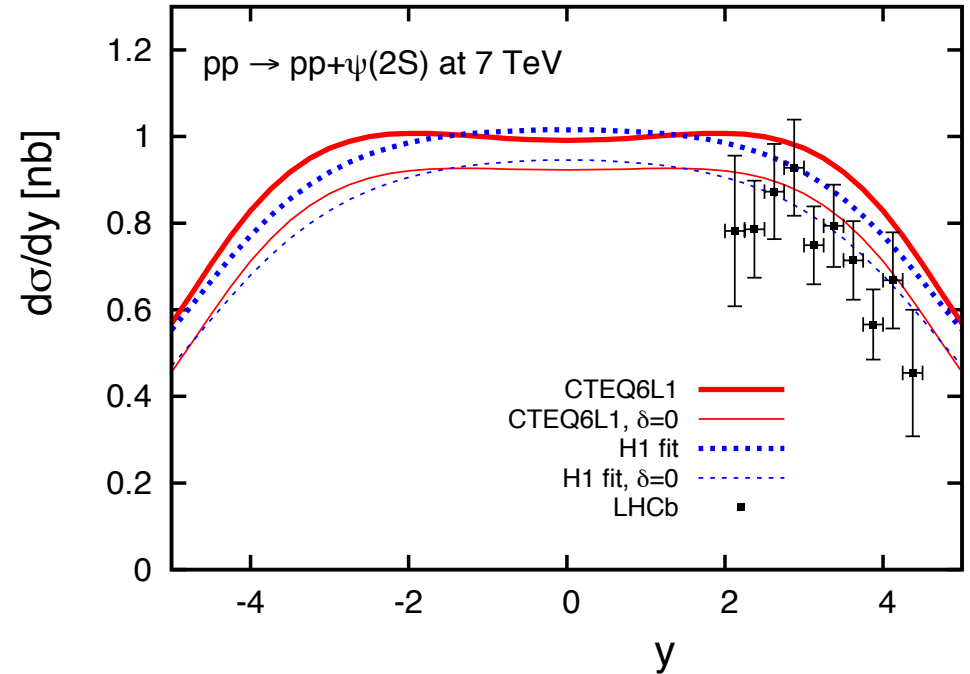
Comparison to LHCb data on pp UPCs

Guzey, Zhalov JHEP 1310 (2013) 207



R. Aaij et al., (LHCb) J. Phys. G. 40 (2013) 045001

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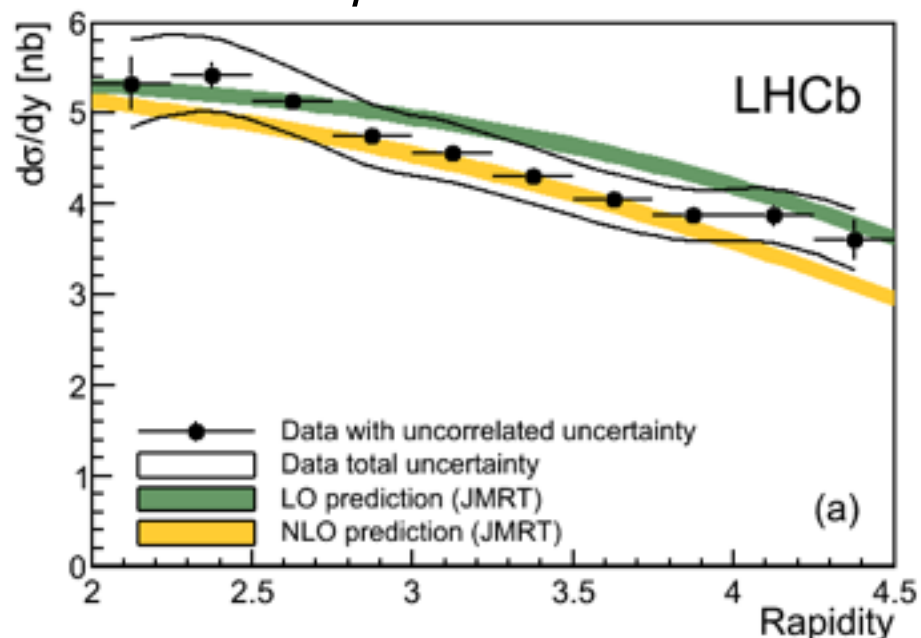
- Extraction of $\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}$ from the pp UPC requires additional input: the soft rapidity gap survival probability $k \approx 0.8$ and separation of two solutions.
- The data is described by LO perturbative QCD with $g_p(x, \mu^2) \propto 1/x^{0.2} \rightarrow$ new constraints on $g_p(x, \mu^2)$ for $6 \times 10^{-6} < x < 0.01$.
- Simple power-law HERA fit $\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi} \propto W_{\gamma p}^{\delta}$ with $\delta=0.7-0.8 \rightarrow$ no saturation.

Comparison to LHCb data on pp UPCs (2)

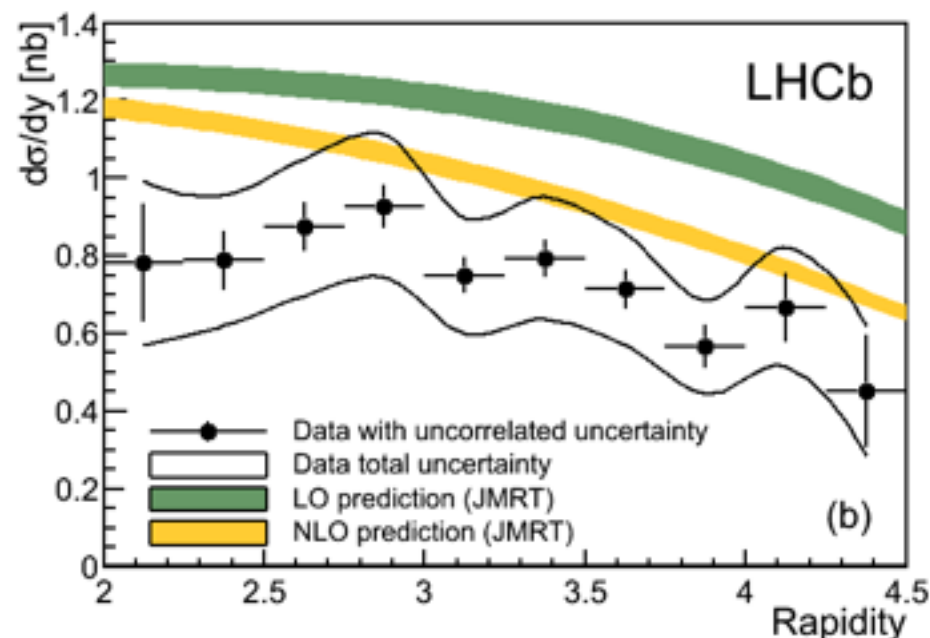
- This LHCb data can be also described by NLO pQCD:

R. Aaij et al., (LHCb) J. Phys. G. 41 (2014) 055002

J/ψ



$\psi(2S)$



Jones, Martin, Ryskin, Teubner (JMRT), JHEP 11 (2013) 084

- JMRT approach based on k_t factorization:** LO and NLO $g_p(x, \mu^2)$ are determined by fitting HERA and LHCb (2013) J/ψ data using Ryskin's formula → predictions for $\psi(2S)$.
- Recent NLO calculation in collinear factorization: D.Yu. Ivanov et al, arXiv:0401151v2 (May 2015)

Exclusive photoproduction of J/ψ in p-Pb UPCs at the LHC

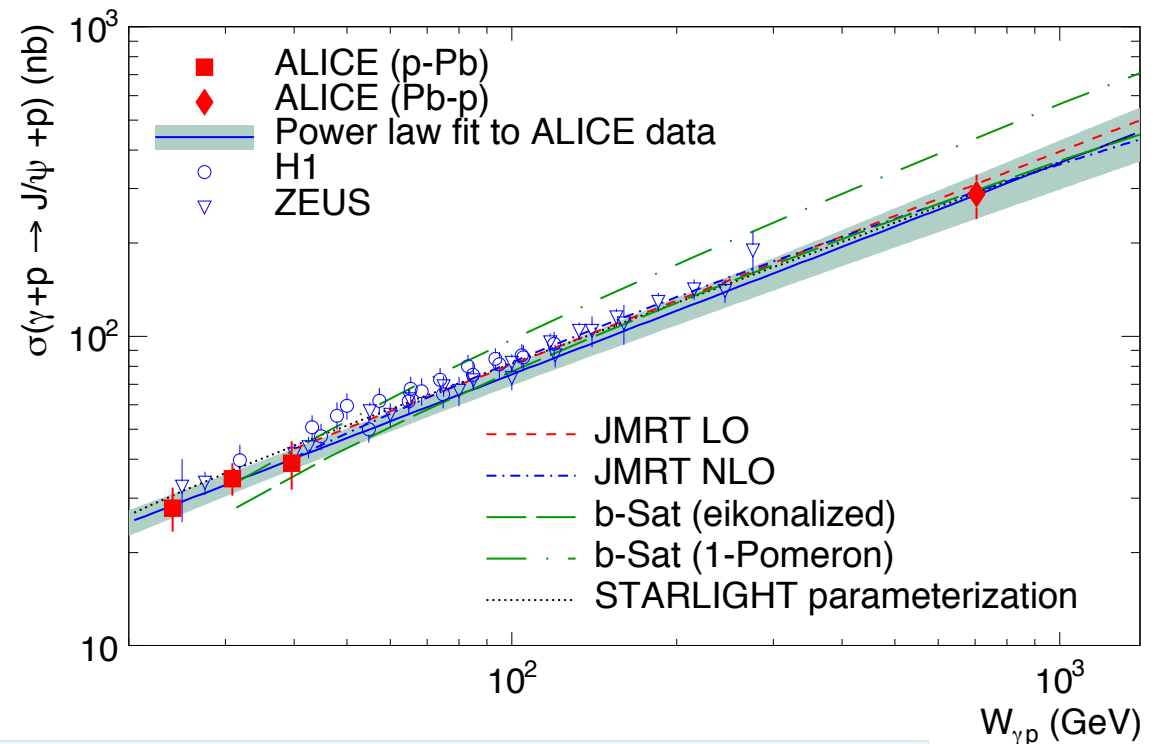
- ALICE measured exclusive photoproduction of J/ψ in p-Pb UPCs at 5 TeV and presented the result in terms of $\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(W_{\gamma p})$

B. Abelev et al., (ALICE), PRL 113 (2014) 23, 232504

- Extracted from:
$$\frac{\sigma_{pPb \rightarrow pPb J/\psi}(y)}{dy} = N_{\gamma/Pb}(y) \sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(y) + N_{\gamma/p}(-y) \sigma_{\gamma Pb \rightarrow J/\psi Pb}(-y)$$

- Photon flux from p is small, but not negligible at small p_T .

- Constrains on $g_p(x, \mu^2)$ down to $x=2 \times 10^{-5}$.



- General agreement with HERA and LHCb pp UPC measurements.

Exclusive charmonium photoproduction on nuclei and gluon nuclear shadowing

- In leading order of perturbative QCD:

$$\sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow J/\psi A}(W_{\gamma p}) = \underbrace{\frac{(1 + \eta_A^2) R_{g,A}^2}{(1 + \eta^2) R_g^2}}_{\text{Small correction} \approx 0.95} \underbrace{\frac{d\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}(W_{\gamma p}, t = 0)}{dt}}_{\text{From HERA and LHCb}} \left[\frac{G_A(x, \mu^2)}{A G_N(x, \mu^2)} \right]^2 \underbrace{\Phi_A(t_{\min})}_{\substack{\text{From nuclear form factor} \\ \Phi_A(t_{\min}) = \int_{-\infty}^{t_{\min}} dt |F_A(t)|^2}}$$

- Nuclear suppression factor S:

$$S(W_{\gamma p}) \equiv \left[\frac{\sigma_{\gamma Pb \rightarrow J/\psi Pb}^{\text{exp}}(W_{\gamma p})}{\sigma_{\gamma Pb \rightarrow J/\psi Pb}^{\text{IA}}(W_{\gamma p})} \right]^{1/2} \longrightarrow S(W_{\gamma p}) = \kappa_{A/N} \frac{G_A(x, \mu^2)}{A G_N(x, \mu^2)} = \kappa_{A/N} R_g(x, \mu^2)$$

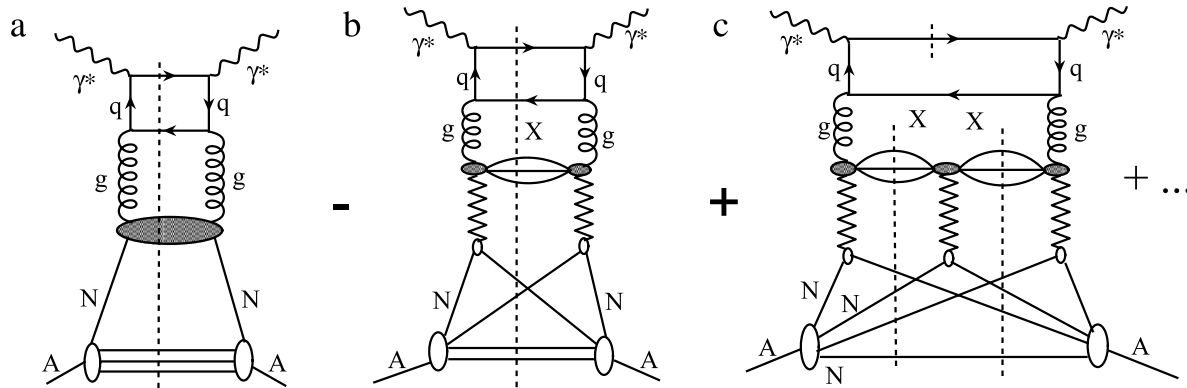
- **S** extracted from ALICE data on J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ photoproduction in Pb-Pb UPCs@LHC at 2.76 TeV can be compared to predictions for gluon shadowing $R_g(x)$, Guzey, Kryshen, Strikman, Zhalov, PLB726 (2013) 270, Guzey, Zhalov JHEP 1310 (2013) 207

- $R_g(x)$ is taken from global fits of nuclear PDFs or the model of leading twist nuclear shadowing.

Model of leading twist nuclear shadowing

- Based on the generalization of the Gribov-Glauber theory of nuclear shadowing and QCD factorization theorems:

Frankfurt, Guzey, Strikman, Phys. Rept. 512 (2012) 255



Shadowing in **eA** DIS is driven by diffraction in **ep** DIS!

$$x f_{j/A}(x, Q_0^2) = A x f_{j/N}(x, Q_0^2) - 8\pi A(A-1) \Re e \frac{(1-i\eta)^2}{1+\eta^2} B_{\text{diff}} \int_x^{0.1} dx_P \beta f_j^{D(3)}(\beta, Q_0^2, x_P) \\ \times \int d^2b \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz_1 \int_{z_1}^{\infty} dz_2 \rho_A(\vec{b}, z_1) \rho_A(\vec{b}, z_2) e^{i(z_1-z_2)x_P m_N} e^{-\frac{A}{2}(1-i\eta)\sigma_{\text{soft}}^j(x, Q_0^2) \int_{z_1}^{z_2} dz' \rho_A(\vec{b}, z')}$$

- Input:**
- proton diffractive PDFs $f_j^{D(3)}$
 - diffractive slope B_{diff}
 - effective cross section σ_{soft} : need to model

Nuclear part same as in hA
(Glauber model)

Model of leading twist nuclear shadowing (2)

- Characteristic feature — **large nuclear gluon shadowing** due to large gluon diffractive PDF of the proton as measured in ep diffraction in DIS at HERA.

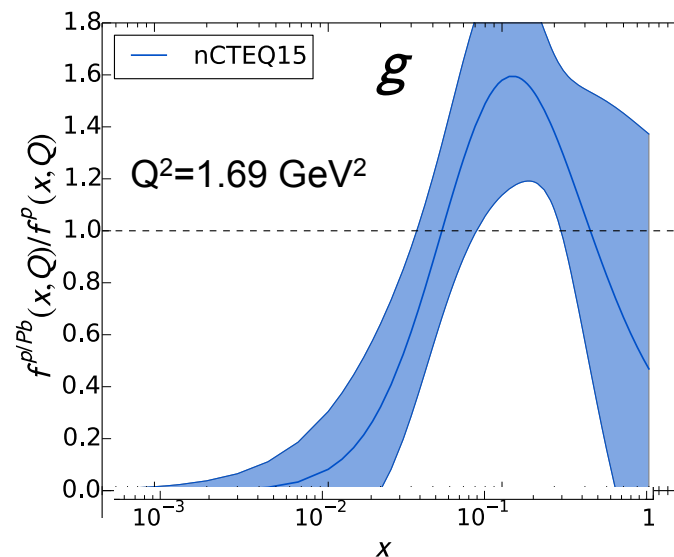
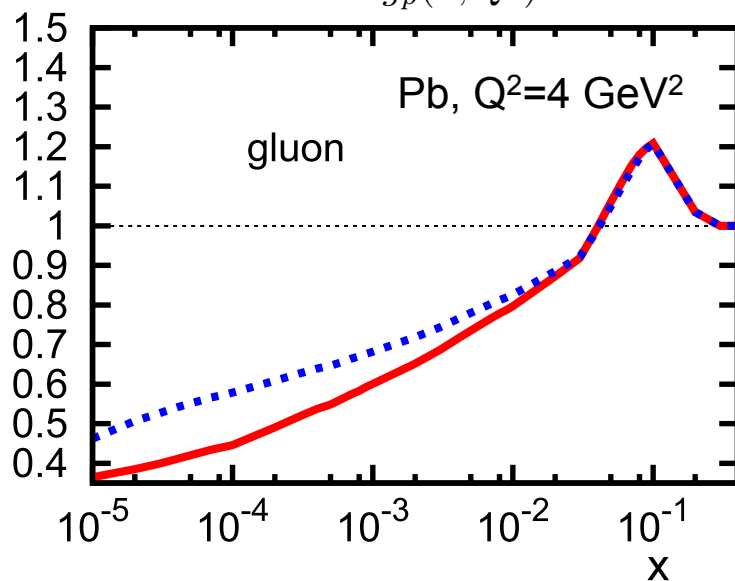
- Shadowing due to interaction with two nucleons is driven by:

$$\frac{\langle \sigma^2 \rangle}{\langle \sigma \rangle} \equiv \sigma_2(x, \mu^2) = \frac{16\pi B_{\text{diff}}}{(1 + \eta^2)xG_N(x, \mu^2)} \int_x^{0.1} dx_{\mathbb{P}} \beta G_N^{D(3)}(\beta, \mu^2, x_{\mathbb{P}})$$

- Interaction with $N \geq 3$ nucleons modeled using eikonal app. with $\sigma_{\text{soft}} = \sigma_3 = 30\text{-}50$ mb.
- Predictions for the gluon nuclear shadowing:

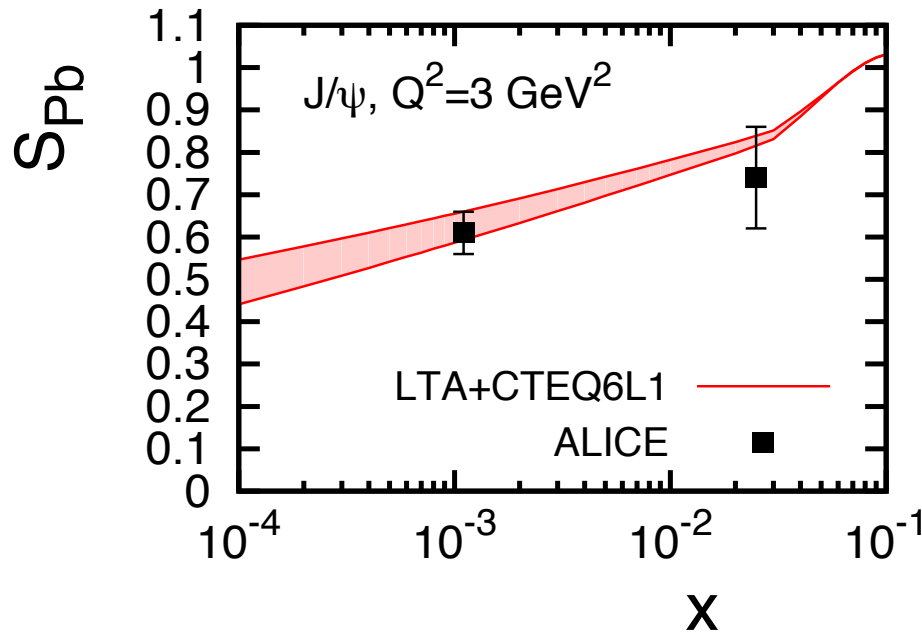
$$R_g(x, Q^2) = \frac{g_A(x, Q^2)}{Ag_p(x, Q^2)}$$

Compare to recent nCTEQ15 fit, [K. Kovaric et al, arXiv: 1509.00792](#)

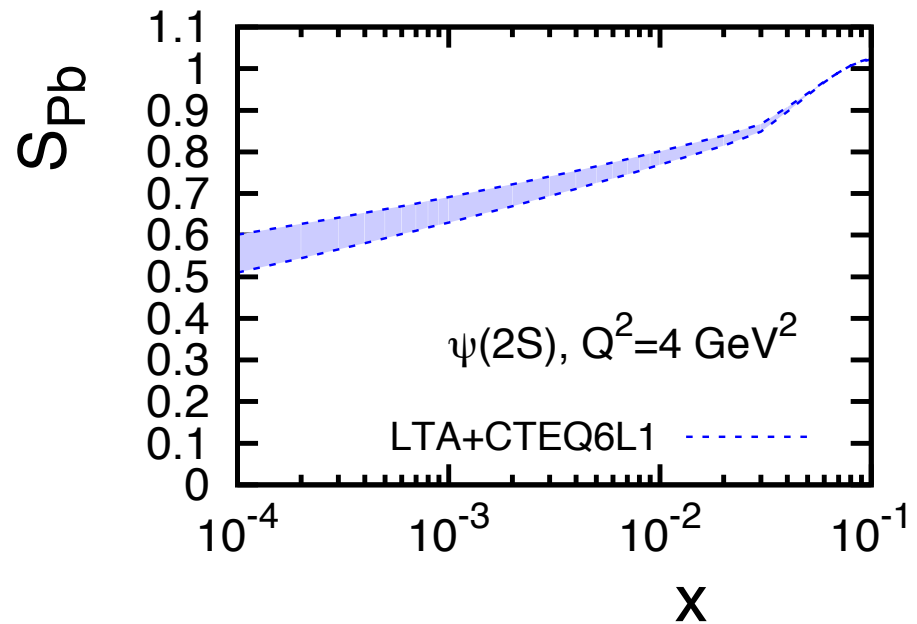


Comparison to the ALICE data

Abelev *et al.* [ALICE], PLB718 (2013) 1273;
Abbas *et al.* [ALICE], EPJ C 73 (2013) 2617



Guzey, Zhalov JHEP 1310 (2013) 207



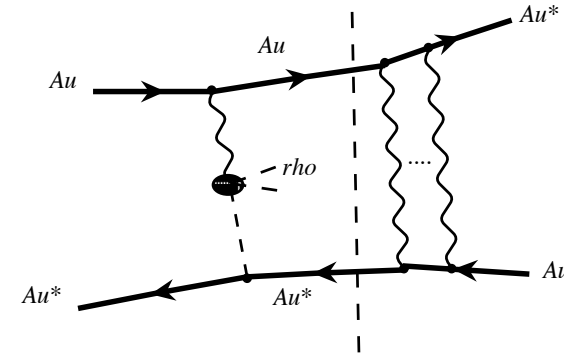
Guzey, Zhalov, arXiv:1404.6101

- Very good agreement with ALICE data on exclusive J/ψ production in Pb-Pb UPCs at 2.76 TeV \rightarrow first direct evidence of **large nuclear gluon shadowing at $x=0.001$** .
- Theory predicts similar nuclear suppression in J/ψ and $\psi(2S)$ cases \rightarrow **contradicts preliminary ALICE data** on $\psi(2S)$ photoproduction in Pb-Pb UPCs at central rapidity.

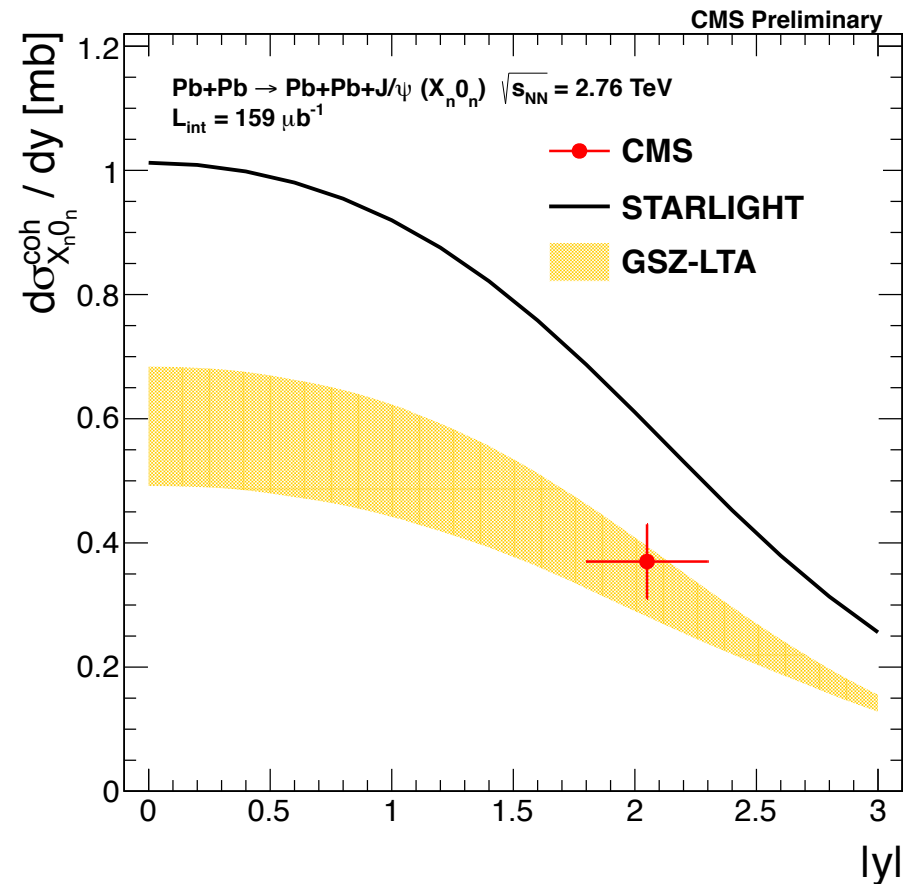
Coherent photoproduction of J/ψ in Pb-Pb UPC accompanied by neutron emission

- UPCs can be accompanied by mutual e.m. excitation of nuclei with their subsequent neutron emission:

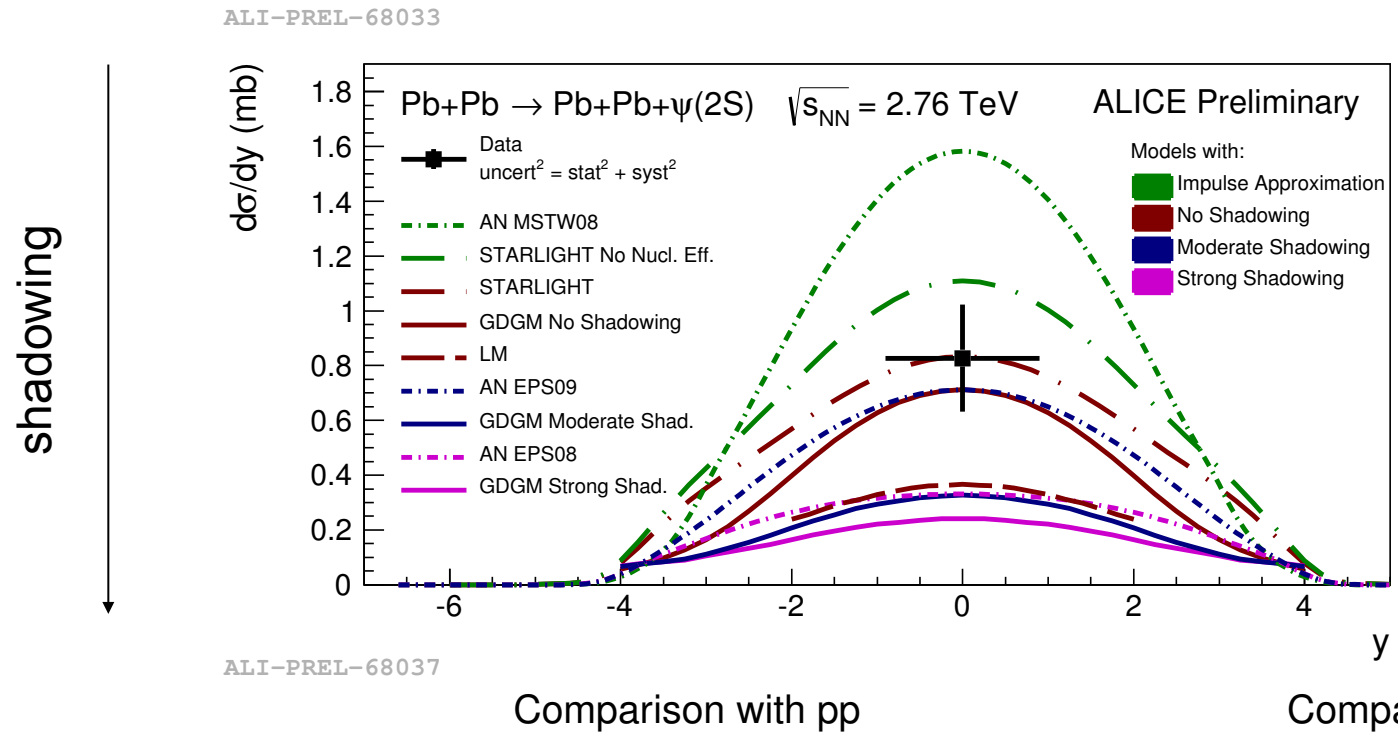
Baltz, Klein, Nystrand, PRL 89 (2002) 012301



- Preliminary CMS measurement in $(Xn,0n)$ -channel nicely agrees with predictions of large nuclear gluon shadowing, Guzey, Strikman, Zhalov, EPJ C (2014) 74: 2942



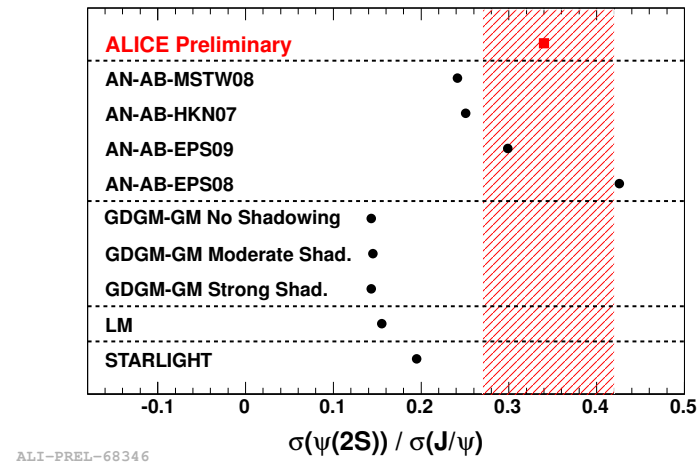
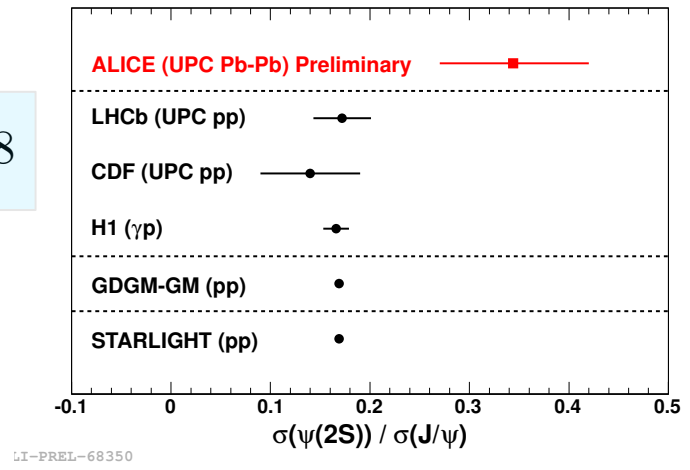
Problem 1: Measured coherent photoproduction of $\psi(2S)$ favors small shadowing



Ratio

$$R = \frac{\sigma(\psi(2S))}{\sigma(J/\psi)} = 0.34 \pm 0.08$$

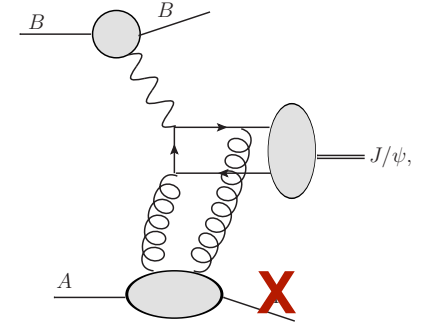
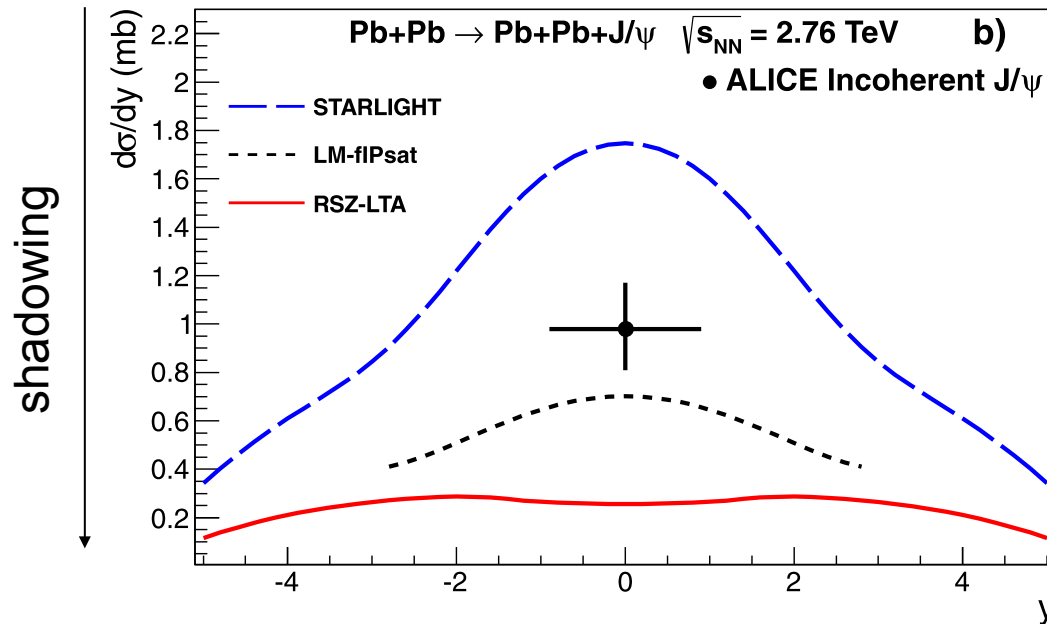
is significantly larger than in pp and many theoretical estimates.



Problem 2: Incoherent photoproduction of J/ψ favors small shadowing

- ALICE also measured **incoherent** J/ψ in Pb-Pb UPCs at 2.76 TeV and found small suppression due to nuclear shadowing:

Abbas *et al.* [ALICE], EPJC 73 (2013) 2617

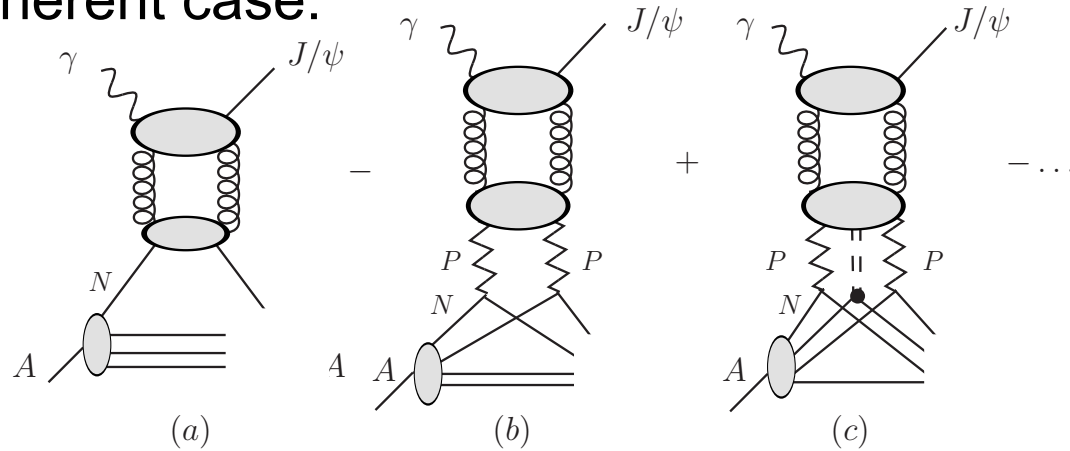


Coherent and quasi-elastic cross sections are separated by p_T of J/ψ : $\langle p_T \rangle = 50$ MeV/c for coherent and $\langle p_T \rangle = 500$ MeV/c for incoherent.

- This is a problem for our approach predicting large shadowing suppression both in **coherent** and **incoherent** cases.

Problem 2: Incoherent photoproduction of J/ψ favors small shadowing (2)

- Model of leading twist nuclear shadowing \rightarrow the suppression factor for incoherent case:

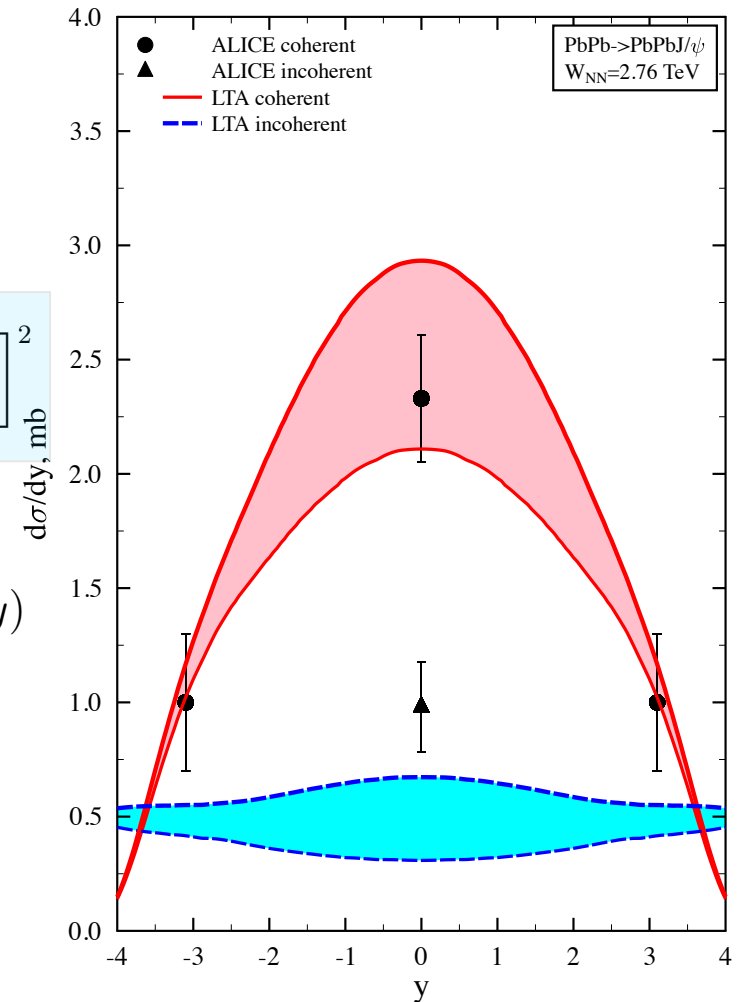


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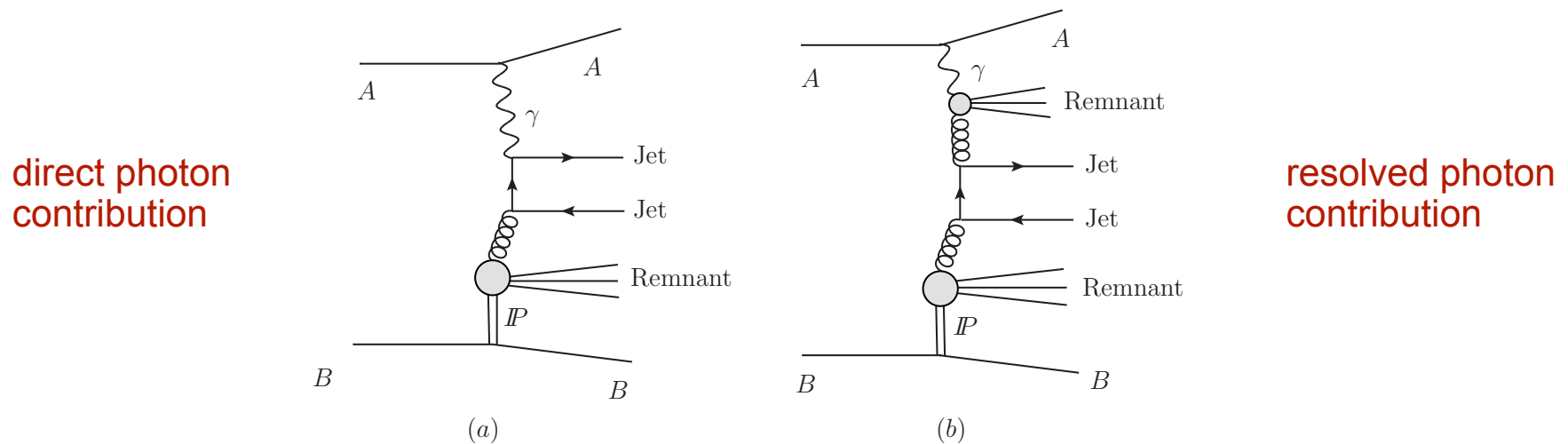
$$S_{\text{incoh}}(W_{\gamma p}) \equiv \frac{d\sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow J/\psi A'}^{\text{pQCD}}(W_{\gamma p})/dt}{Ad\sigma_{\gamma p \rightarrow J/\psi p}^{\text{pQCD}}(W_{\gamma p})/dt} = \frac{1}{A} \int d^2\vec{b} T_A(b) \left[1 - \frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_3} + \frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_3} e^{-\sigma_3/2T_A(b)} \right]^2$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{AA \rightarrow AA' J/\psi}(y)}{dy} = N_{\gamma/A}(y) \sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow J/\psi A'}(y) + N_{\gamma/A}(-y) \sigma_{\gamma A \rightarrow J/\psi A'}(-y)$$

- Like in the earlier estimate (RSZ-LTA '12), nuclear suppression is overestimated by **factor 1.5 - 2**.
- Possible resolution:** inclusion of nucleon diffractive dissociation $\gamma + N \rightarrow J/\psi + Y$



Possible future direction: diffractive photoproduction of dijets in UPCs



- Subject of my research project at the University of Münster with the goals:
 - Using established formalism and code, [M. Klasen, Rev. Mod. Phys. 74 \(2002\) 1221](#), NLO pQCD predictions for [pp UPCs at 7-13 TeV](#) and an analysis of sensitivity to the pattern of factorization breaking ([unsettled at HERA](#)), proton diffractive PDFs, photon flux.
 - Similar predictions for [pA](#) which benefit from the Z^2 enhanced photon flux.
 - NLO predictions for [AA UPCs at 2.76-5.1 TeV](#). The calculation will use novel [nuclear diffractive PDFs](#) predicted by the model of leading twist nuclear shadowing and [factorization breaking](#) calculated using the vector meson dominance model for photon-nucleus scattering.

Conclusions

- The fundamental gluon distributions in the proton and nuclei at small x are known with large uncertainties.
- Perturbative QCD-based theoretical analyses of the LHCb, CMS and ALICE data on charmonium photoproduction in pp, p-Pb and Pb-Pb UPCs at the LHC give new constraints on $g_p(x, \mu^2)$ down to $x = 6 \times 10^{-6}$ and $g_A(x, \mu^2)$ down to $x = 0.001$.
- First direct evidence of large nuclear gluon shadowing at $x = 10^{-3}$ and $\mu^2 \approx 3 \text{ GeV}^2$ which agrees with predictions of the model of leading twist nuclear shadowing and the EPS09 fit.
- At the same time, there is discrepancy between theoretical predictions of our framework and the ALICE data on coherent $\psi(2S)$ and incoherent J/ψ photoproduction in Pb-Pb UPCs at the LHC at 2.76 TeV.
- UPC community is exploring new processes for Run 2 at the LHC. One such a possibility — diffractive photoproduction of dijets in UPCs to address factorization breaking and access proton and nuclear diffractive PDFs.