

# Quarkonium production in $pp$ collisions with the CMS detector

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## Introduction & Motivation

Quarkonia are bound states of an heavy quark and an heavy antiquark ( $c\bar{c}$ ,  $b\bar{b}$ ) and exist in “families” of several states (colorless, neutral mesons)

Quarkonium **spectra & decays** are well understood below open charm & beauty thresholds

Quarkonium **production** is still an active field of research;  
production rates @ LHC are rather high  $\Rightarrow$  **LHC is a “quarkonium factory”**

Quarkonium production occurs through :

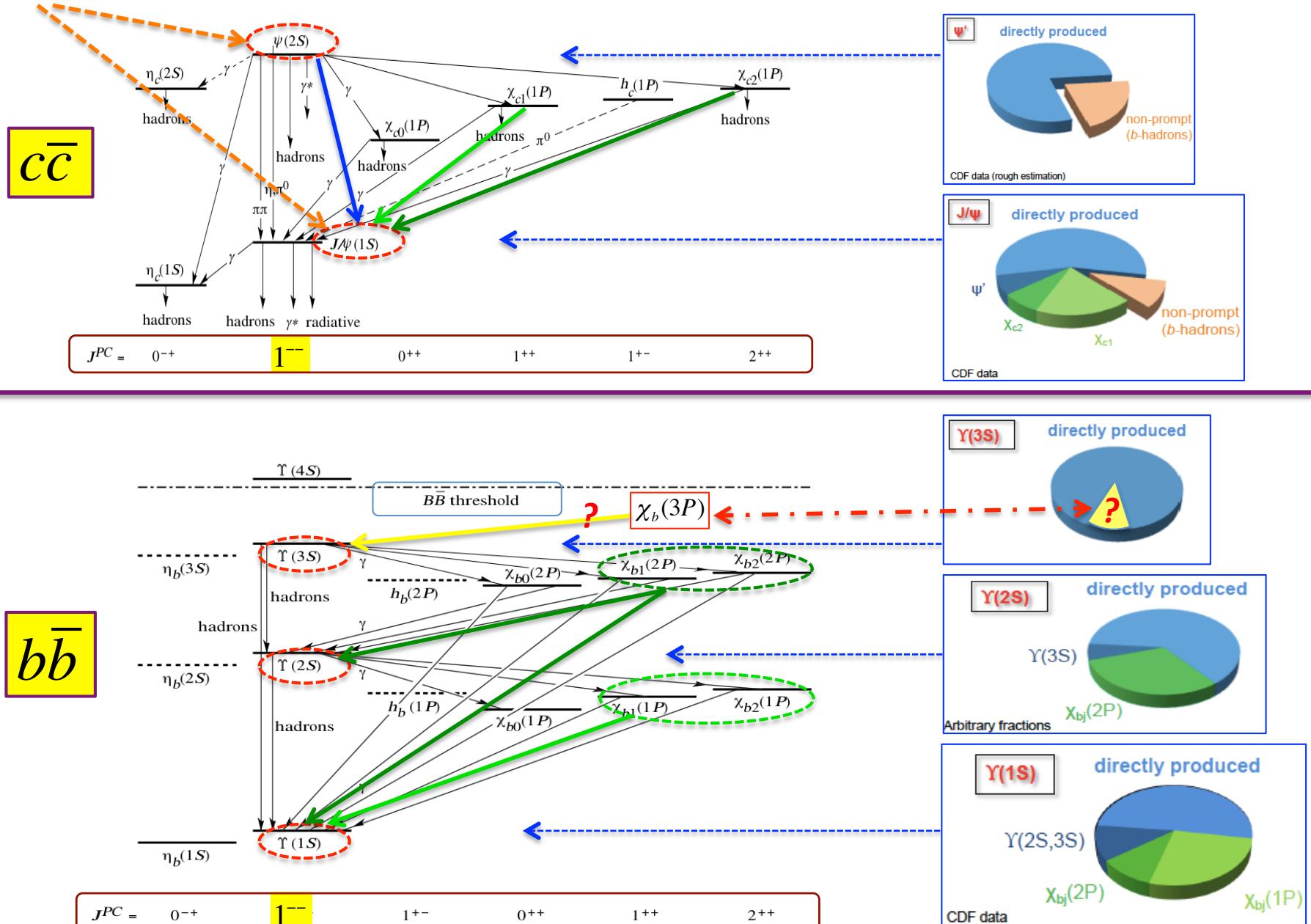
- Prompt production: direct production or feed-down from higher quarkonium states
- Non-prompt production : from B decays (charmonia only)

The study of quarkonium **prompt** production is suited to understand **how quarks combine into a bound state (hadron)** [not easy: it is part of the non-perturbative QCD sector ]

Properties of QCD can be probed (by LHC experiments, in different new kinematic regions) through several quarkonium production measurements including :

- **production cross sections**
- **polarizations**

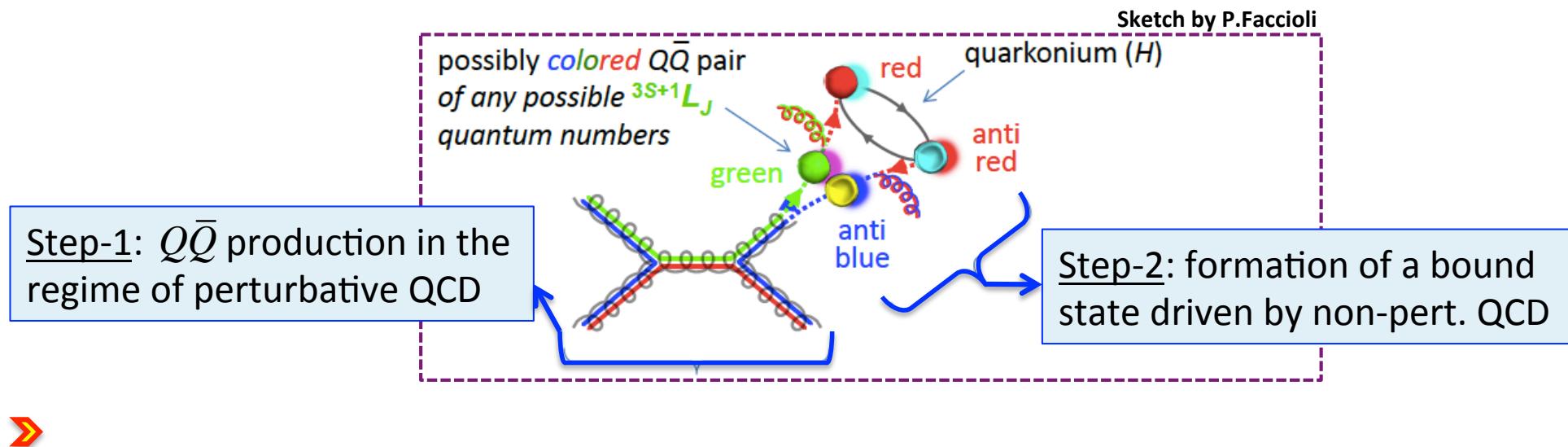
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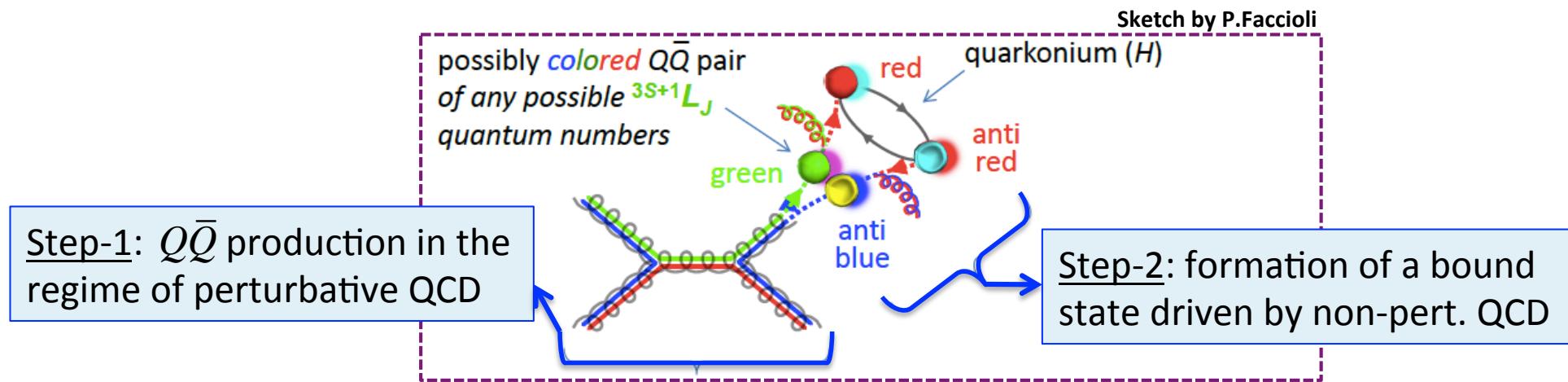
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$Q\bar{Q}$  can be, at short distances, produced in a state  $n$  with definite: spin  $S$ , angular momentum  $L$ , and color  $C = 1, \dots, 8$ .

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NRQCD predicts the existence of intermediate CO states in nature, that subsequently evolve into physical color-singlet quarkonia by non-perturbative emission of soft gluons.

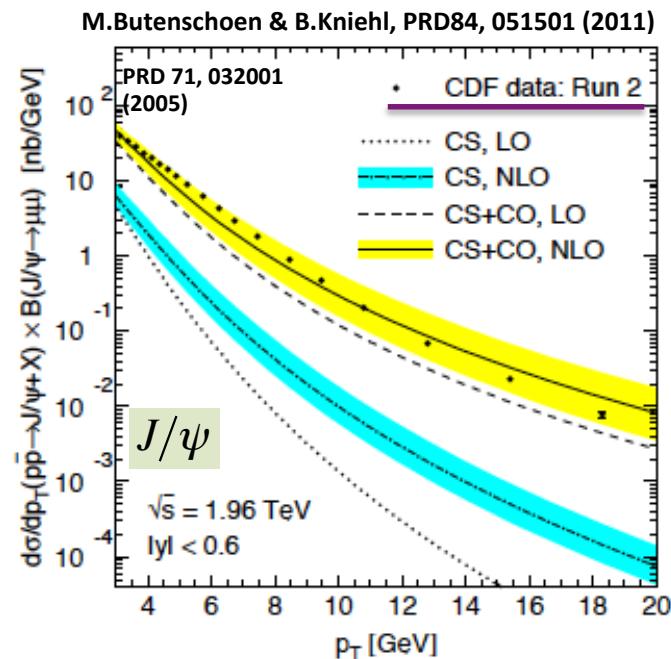
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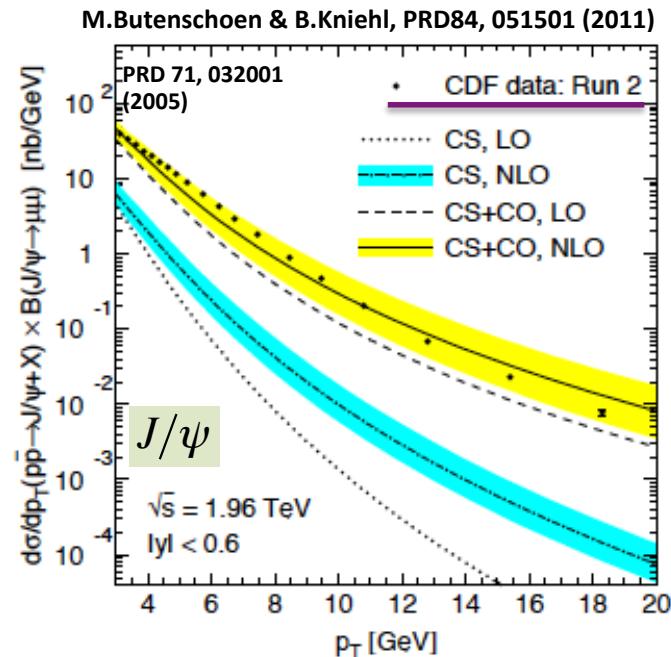
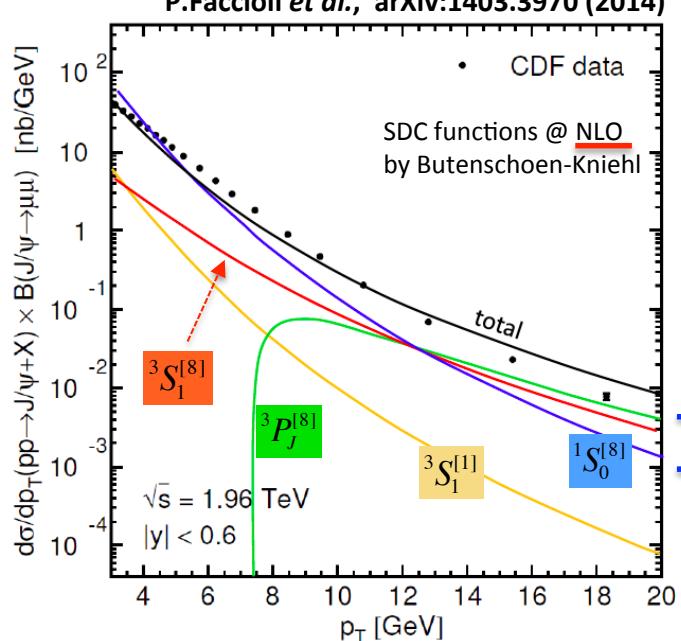
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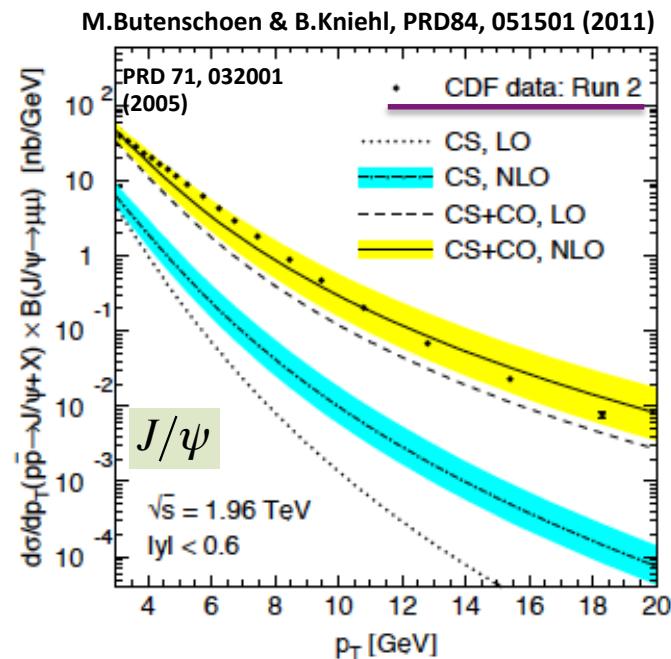
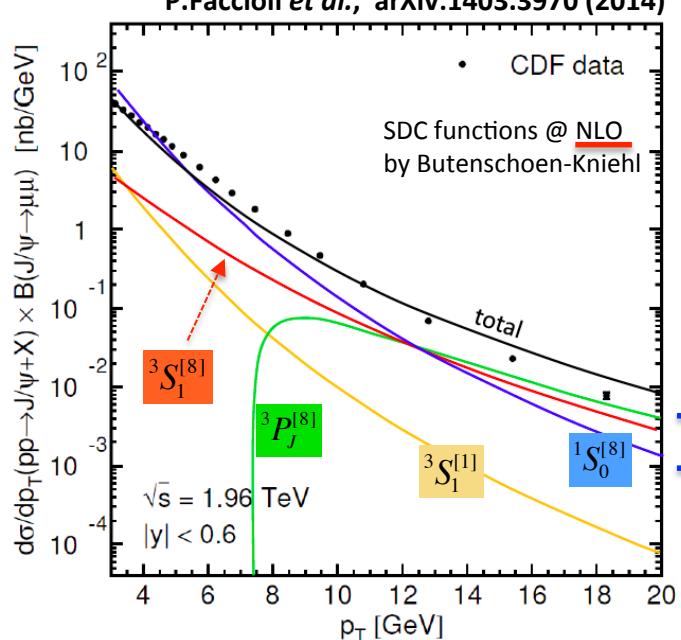


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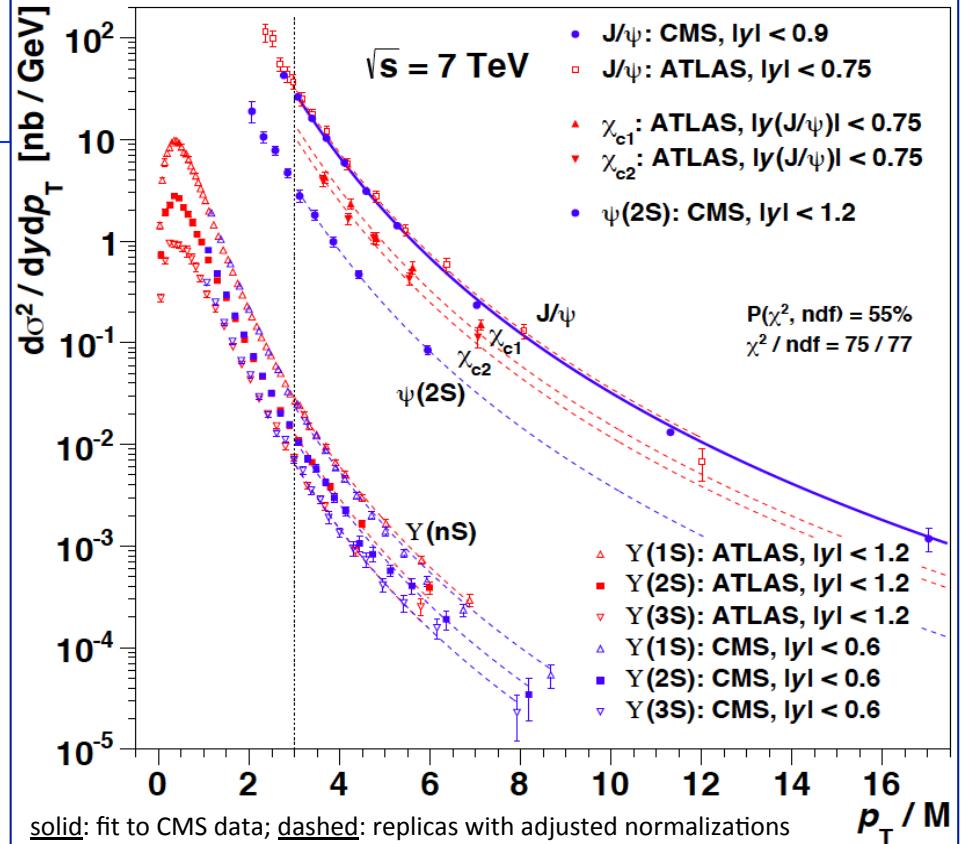
This approach brought the calculations of “ $p_T$  spectra” to agree almost well with the data. **BUT**... as discussed later... the same calculations are **not able to reproduce satisfactorily** the polarization results (“polarization puzzle”)!

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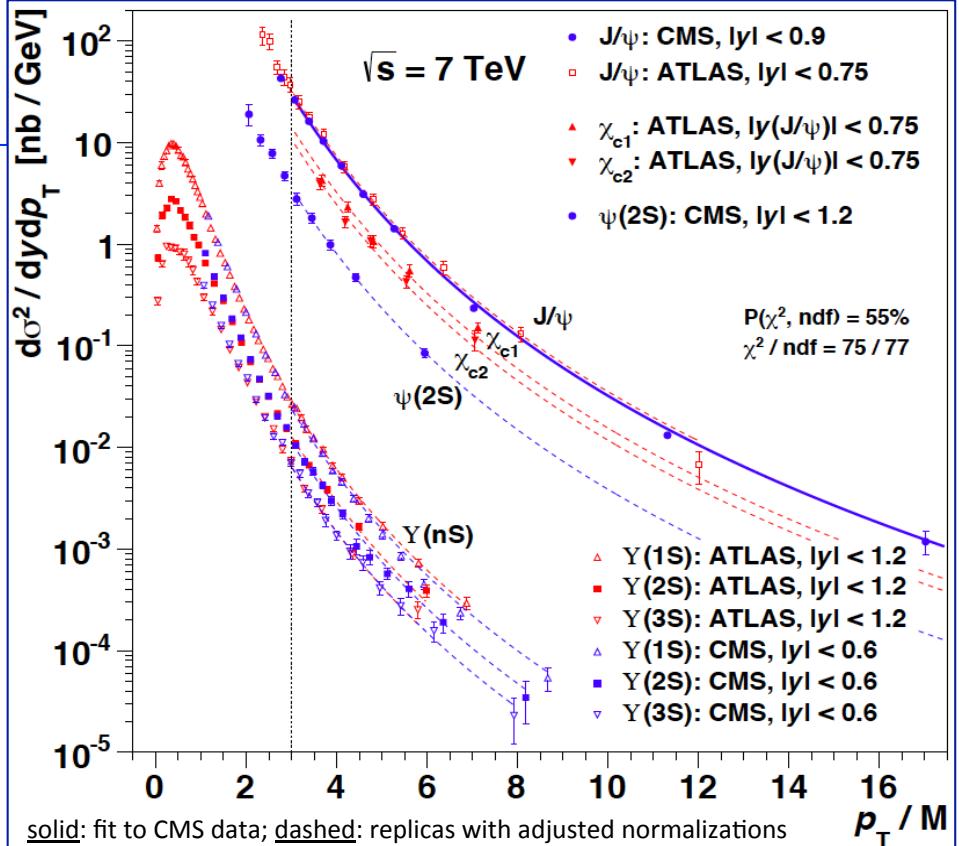
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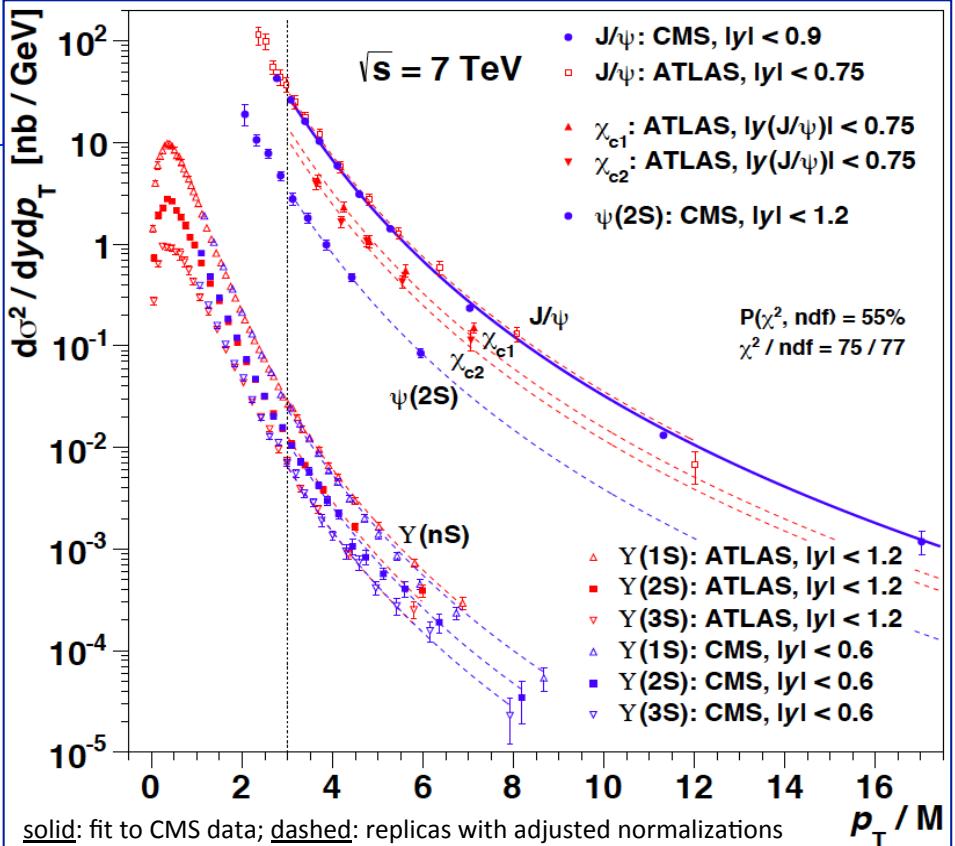


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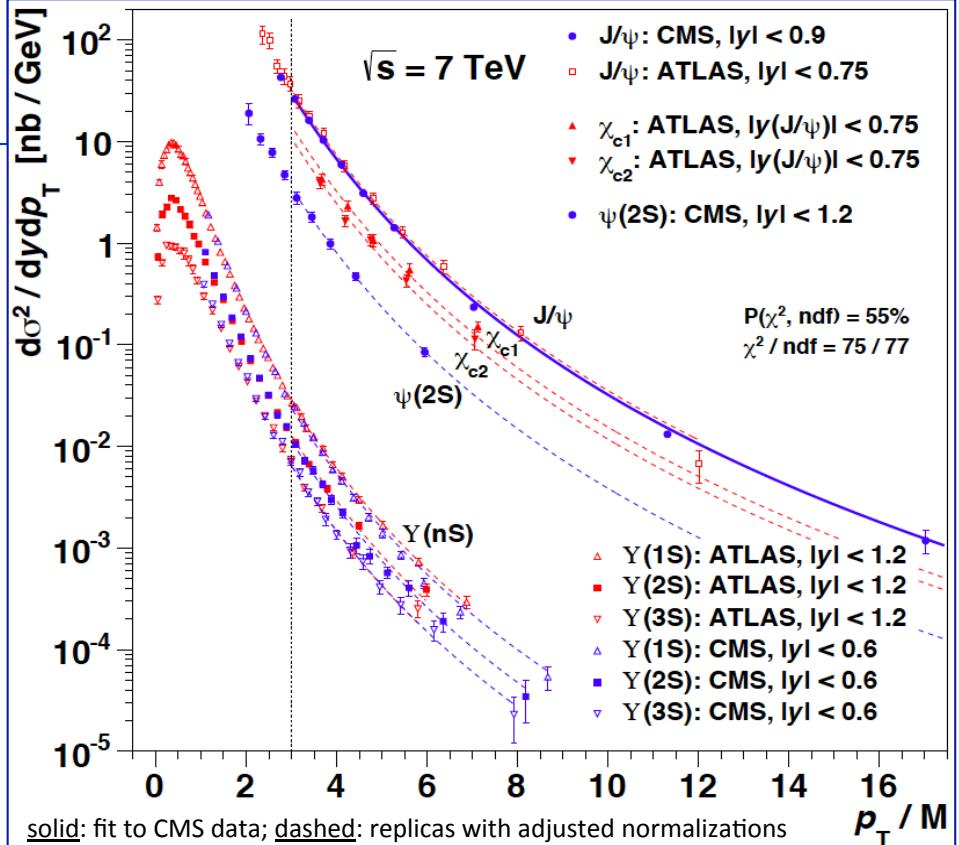
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Scaling behaviour must be confirmed with:

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- polarization data

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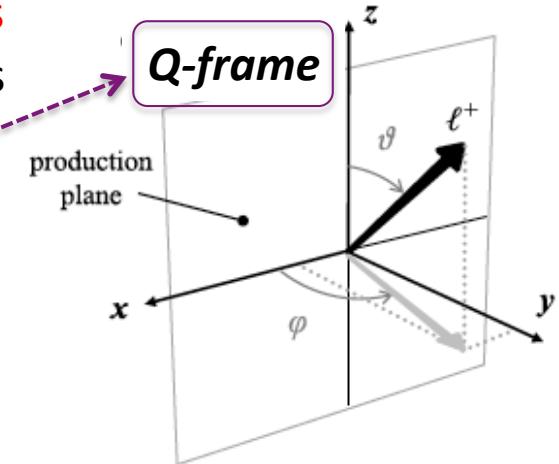
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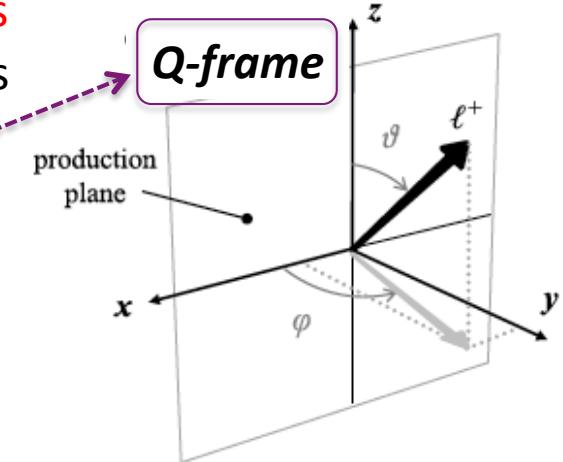
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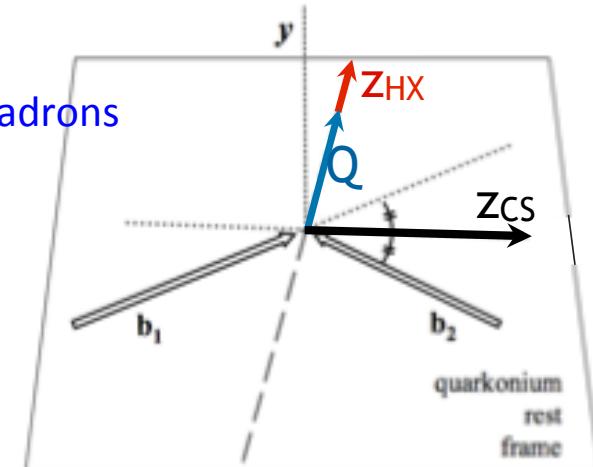
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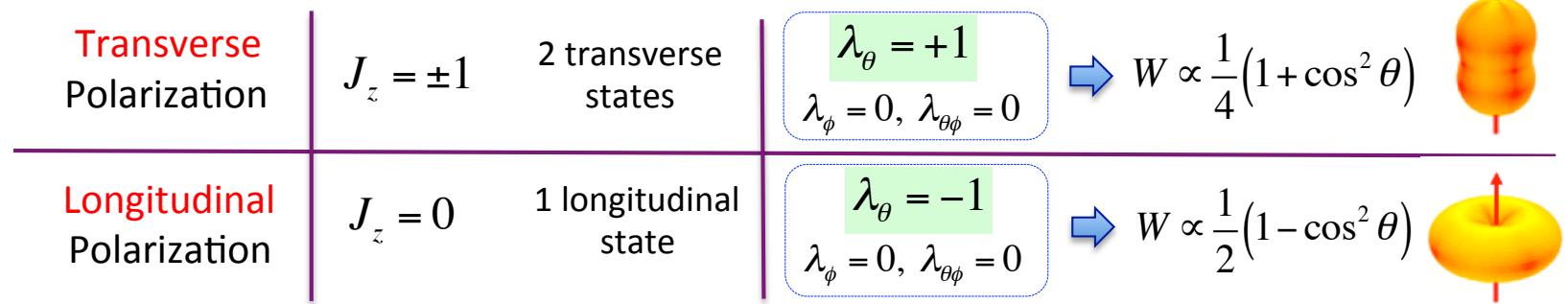
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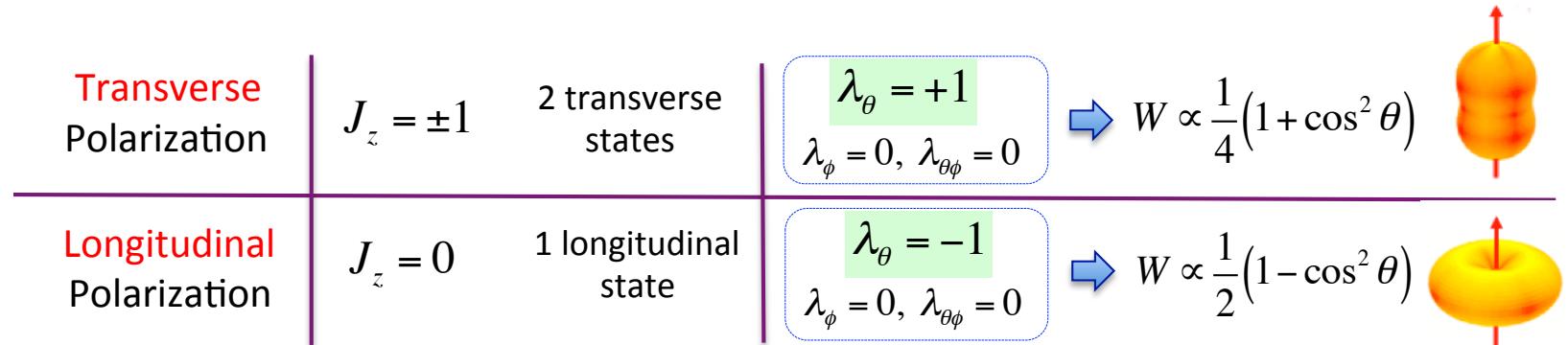


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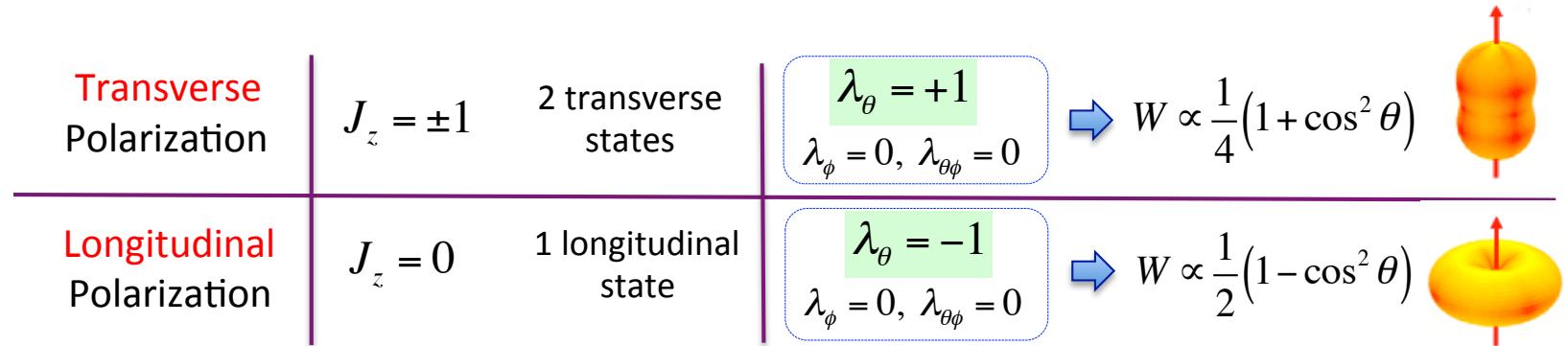
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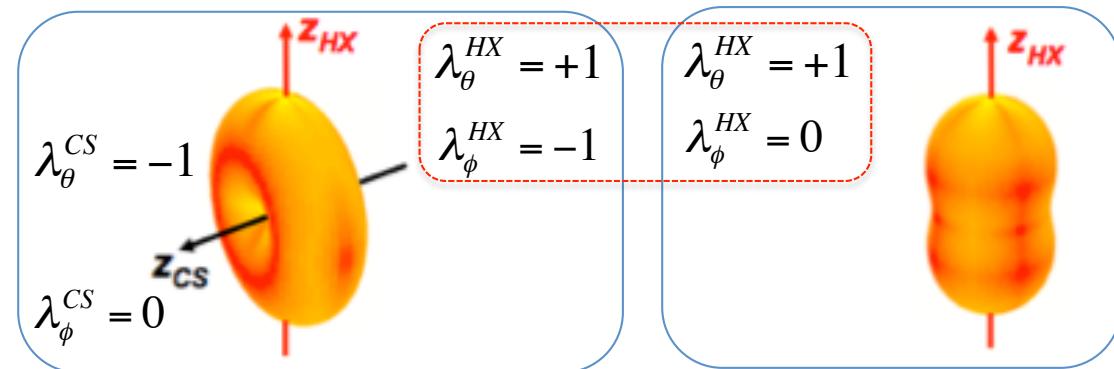
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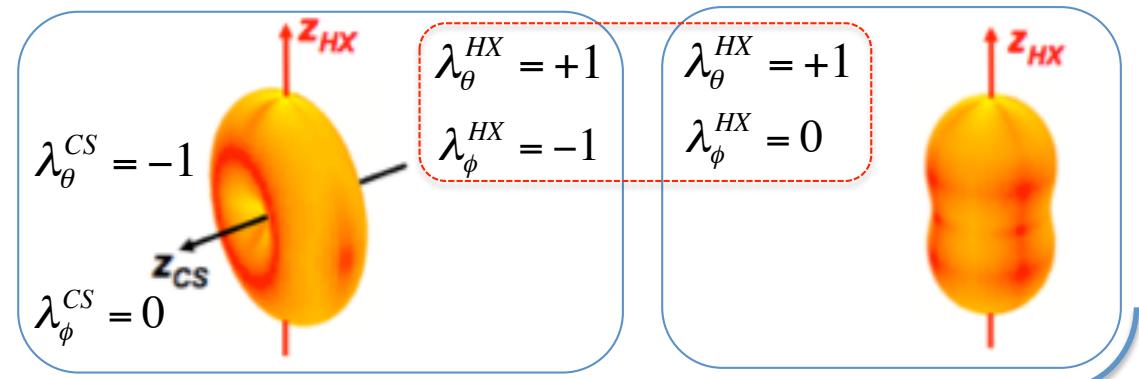
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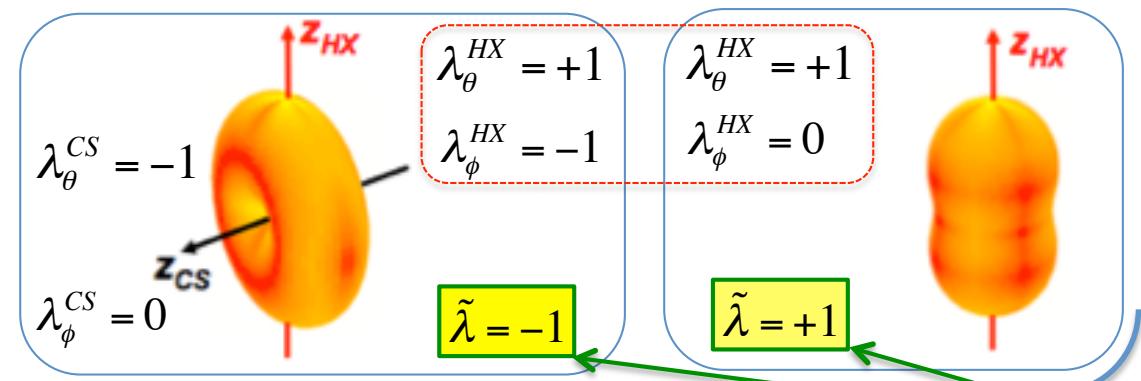
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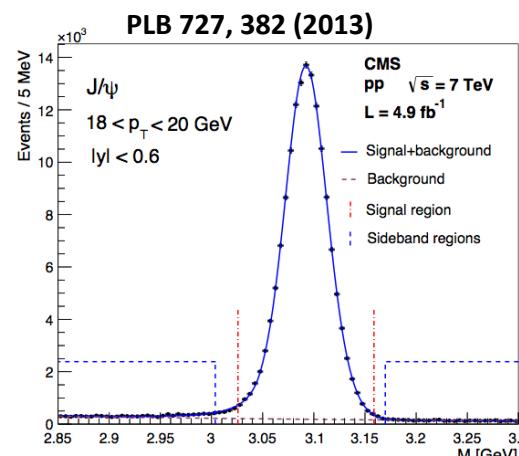
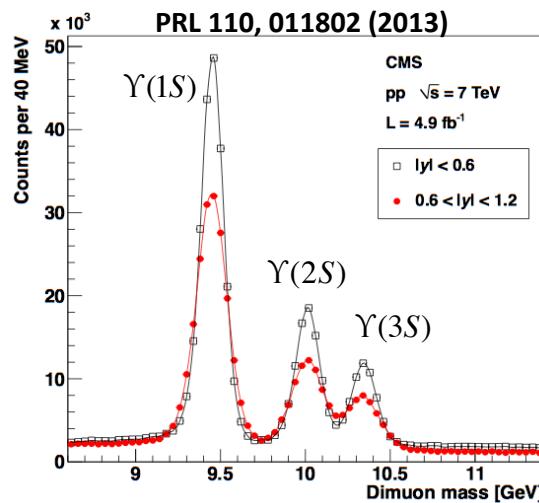
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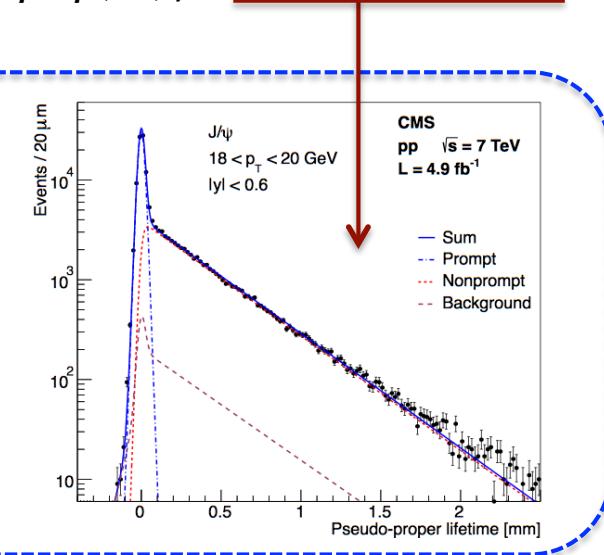
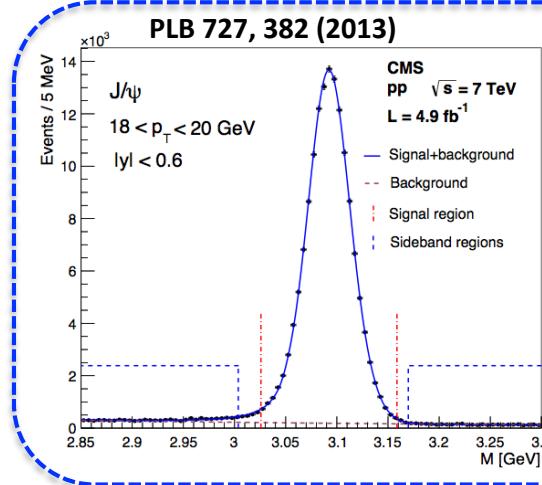
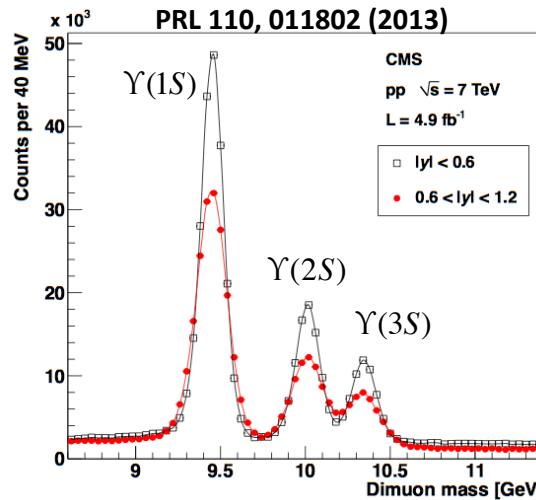
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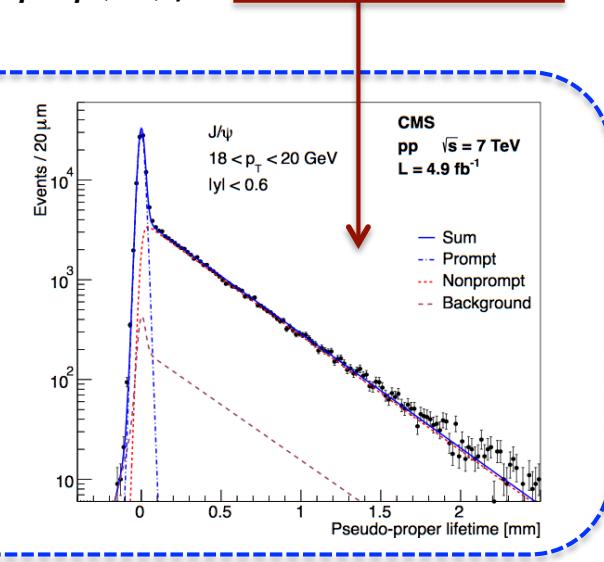
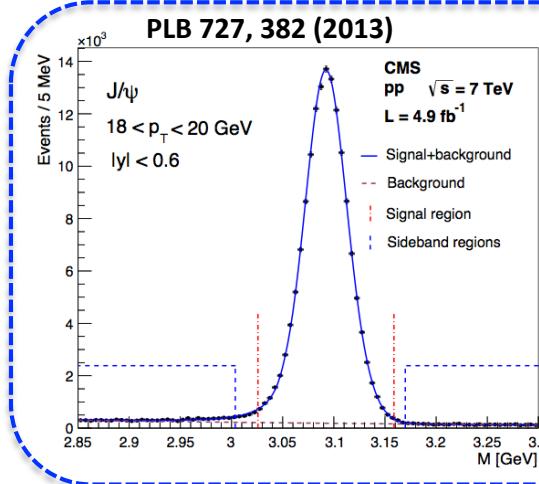
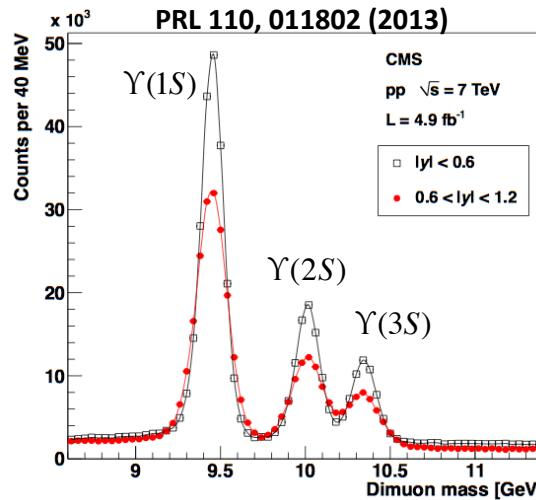
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# Polarization measurements

- $\lambda_\theta, \lambda_\phi, \lambda_{\theta\phi}$  and  $\tilde{\lambda}$  are measured in 3 different frames (HX,CS,PX) for 5 S-wave states as a function of the transverse momentum  $p_T$  and rapidity  $y$
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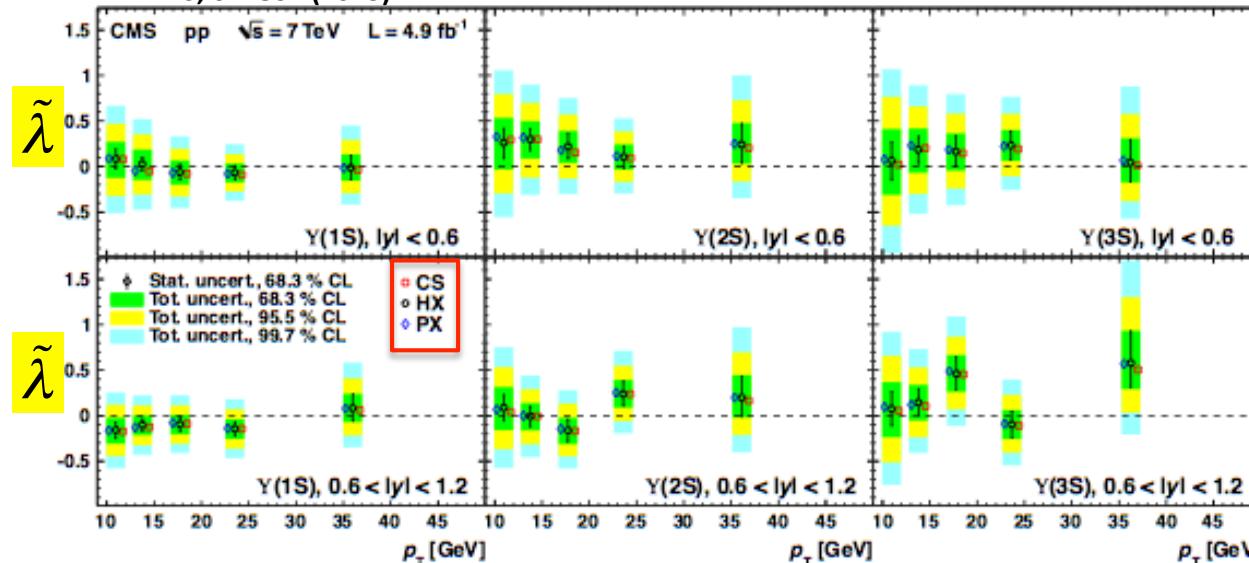
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- Photons & pions from the feed-down transitions have low energy : difficult to be reconstructed and associated with the dimuon pair in order to separate feed-down and direct production
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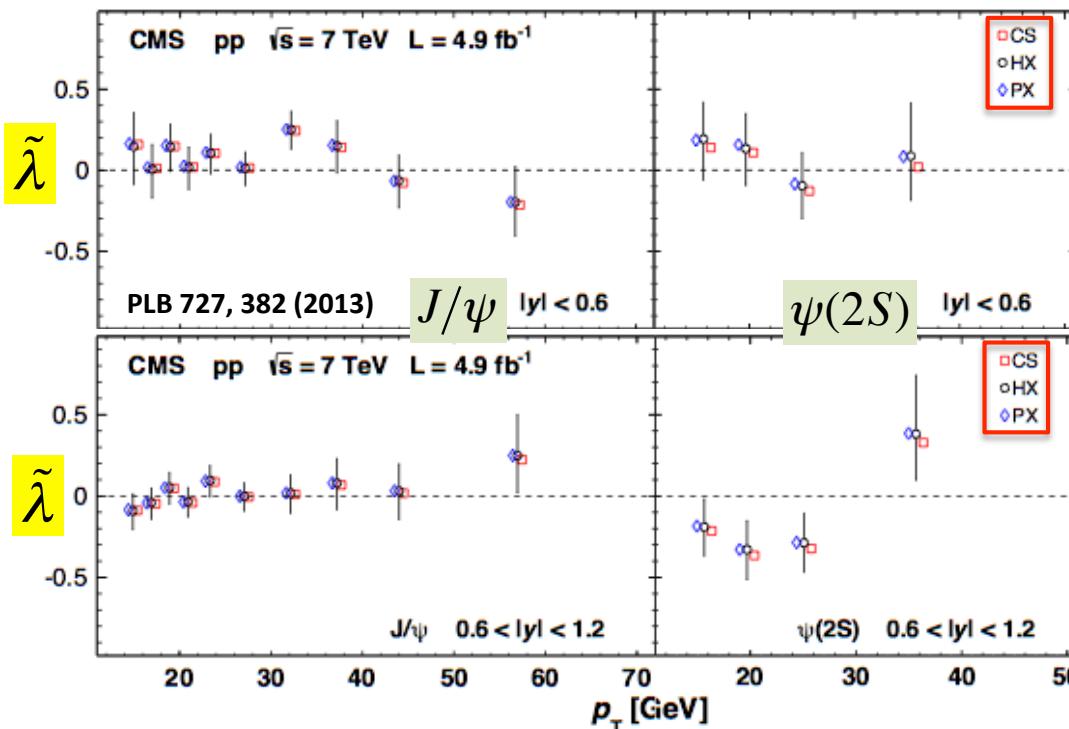
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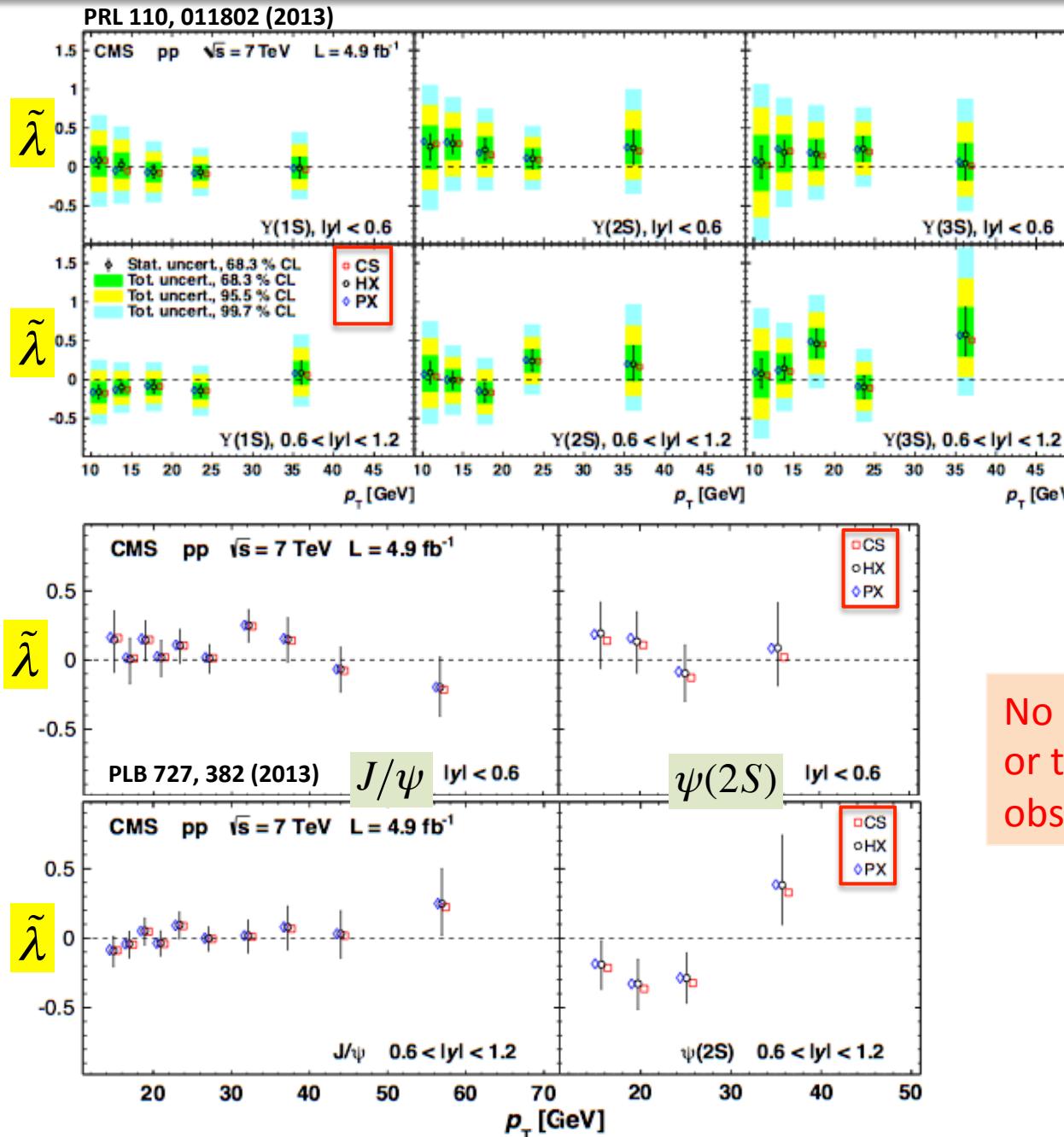


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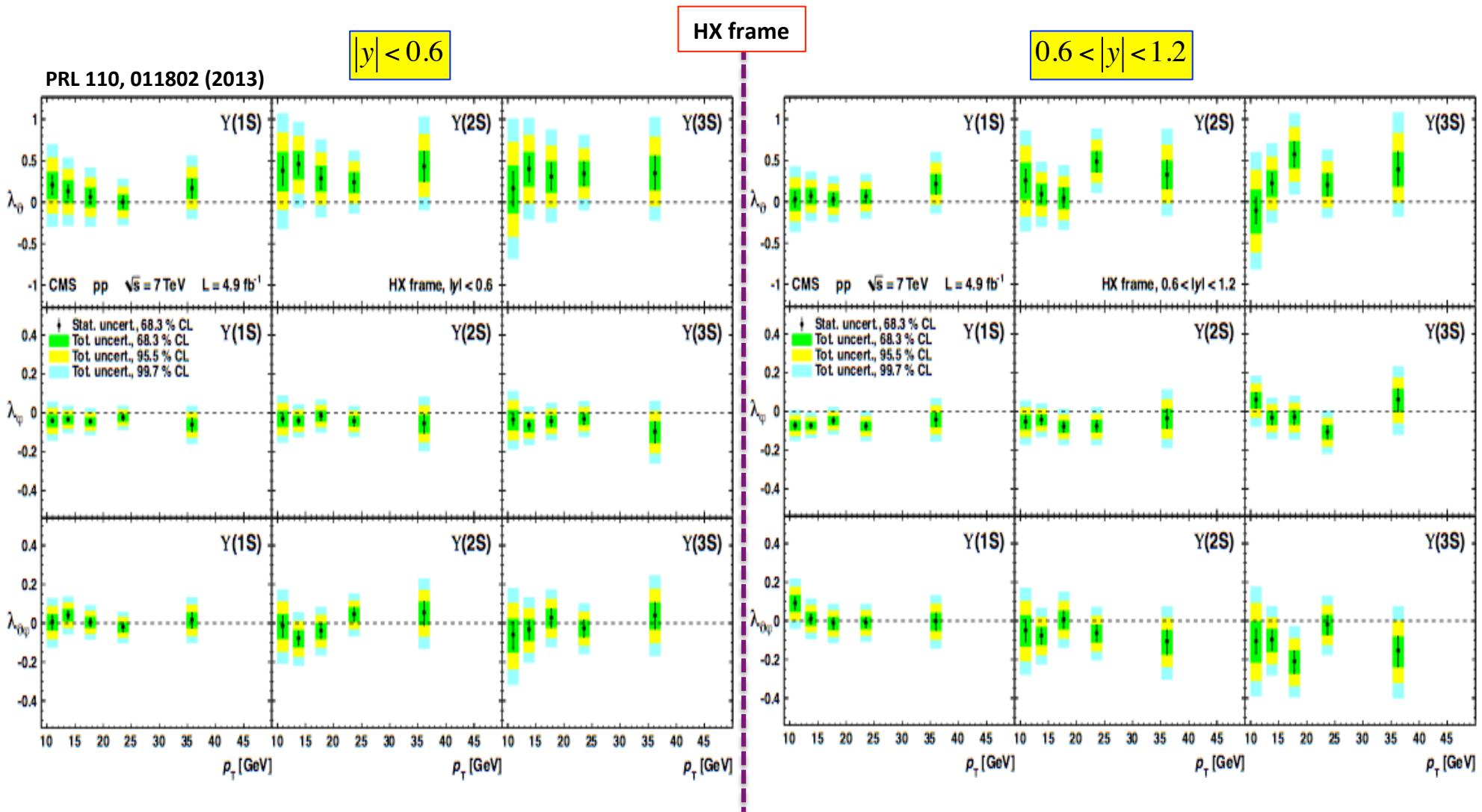
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Good agreement among  
 $\tilde{\lambda}$  values in the 3 ref.  
frames shows that the  
results are consistent  
(no hint for biases) !

No evidence of strong longitudinal  
or transverse polarizations has been  
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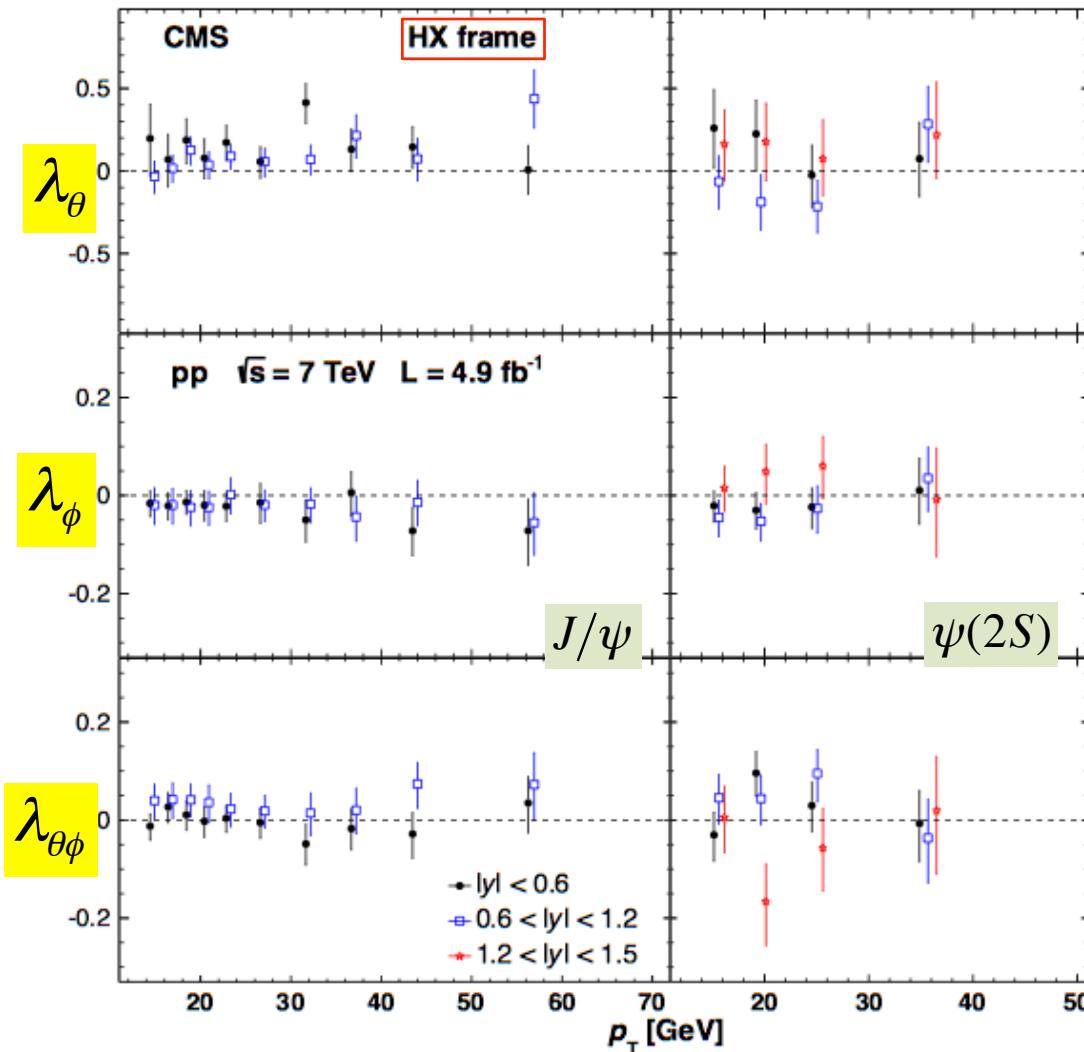


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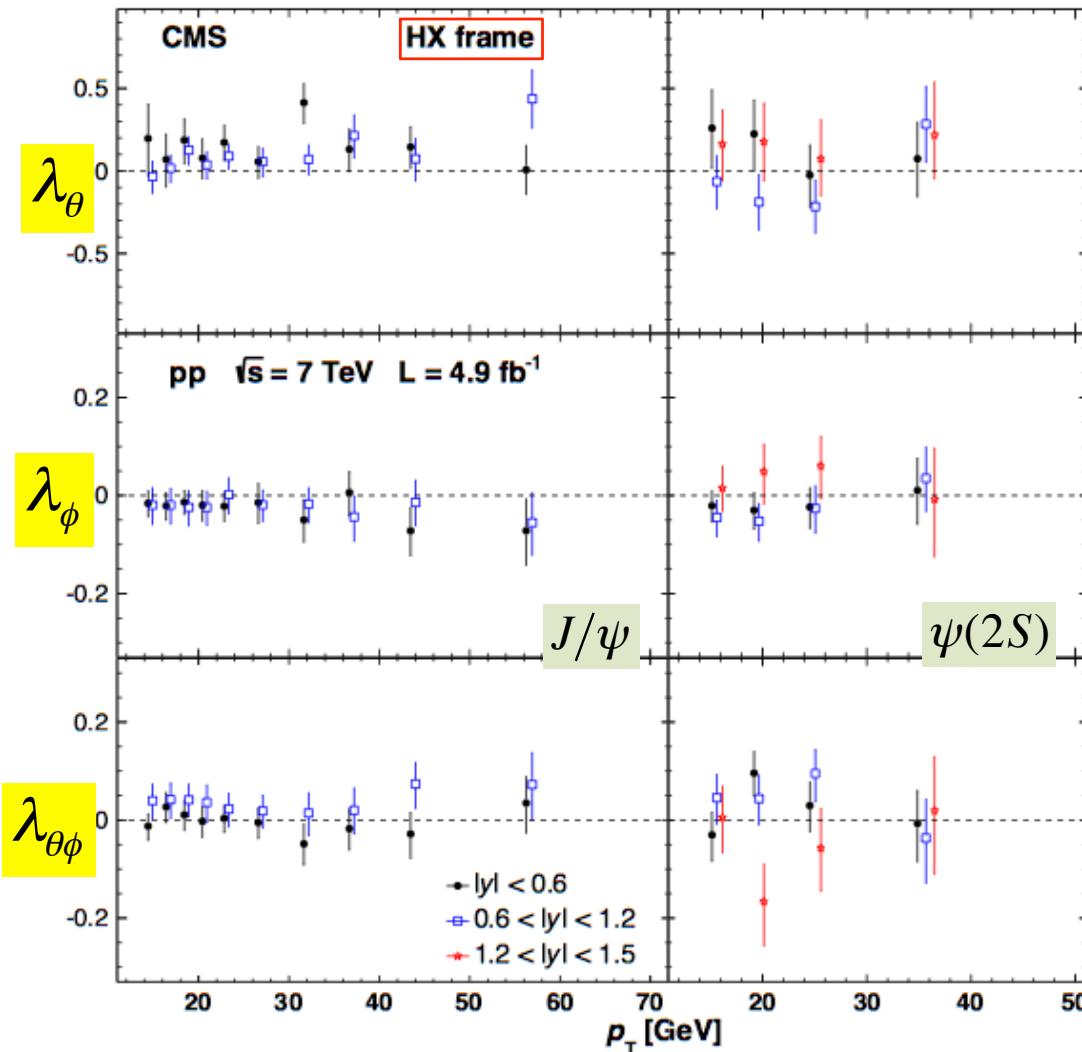
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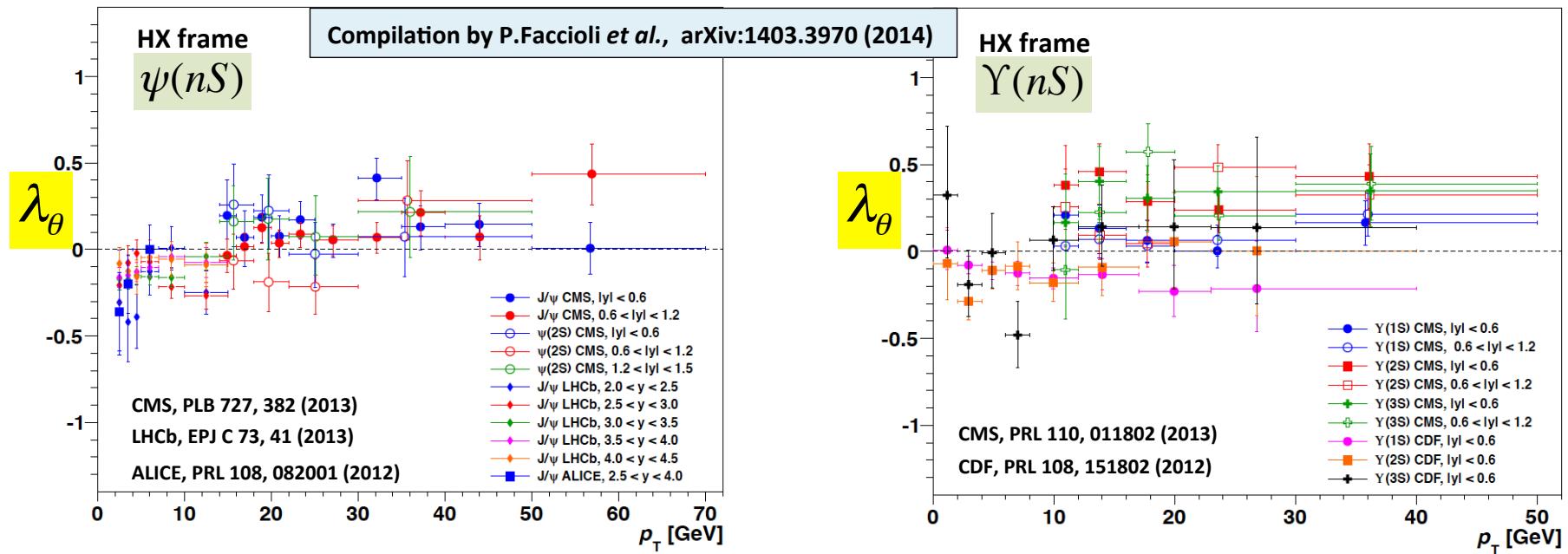
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The 3 polarization parameters are measured to be small in the HX frame under study (and in the other two[\*]), excluding transverse or longitudinal polarizations, also for the states that are less affected by feed-down contributions with unknown polarizations ( $\psi(2S)$  here and  $\Upsilon(3S)$  in previous slide)

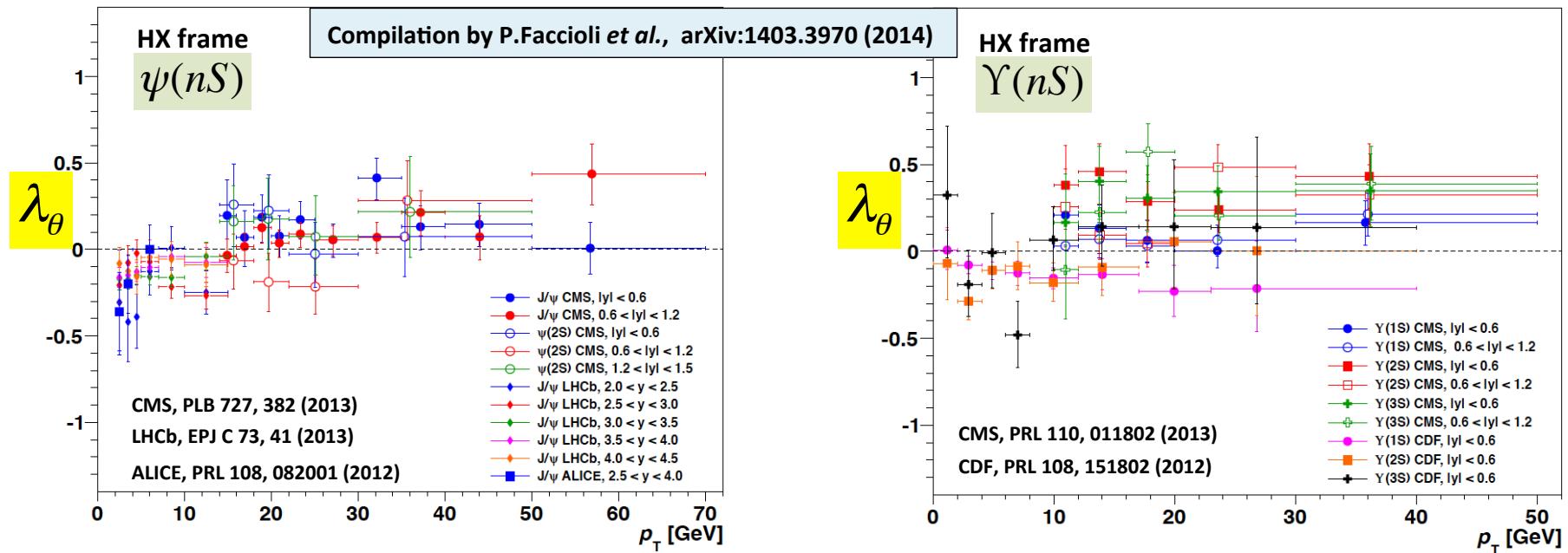
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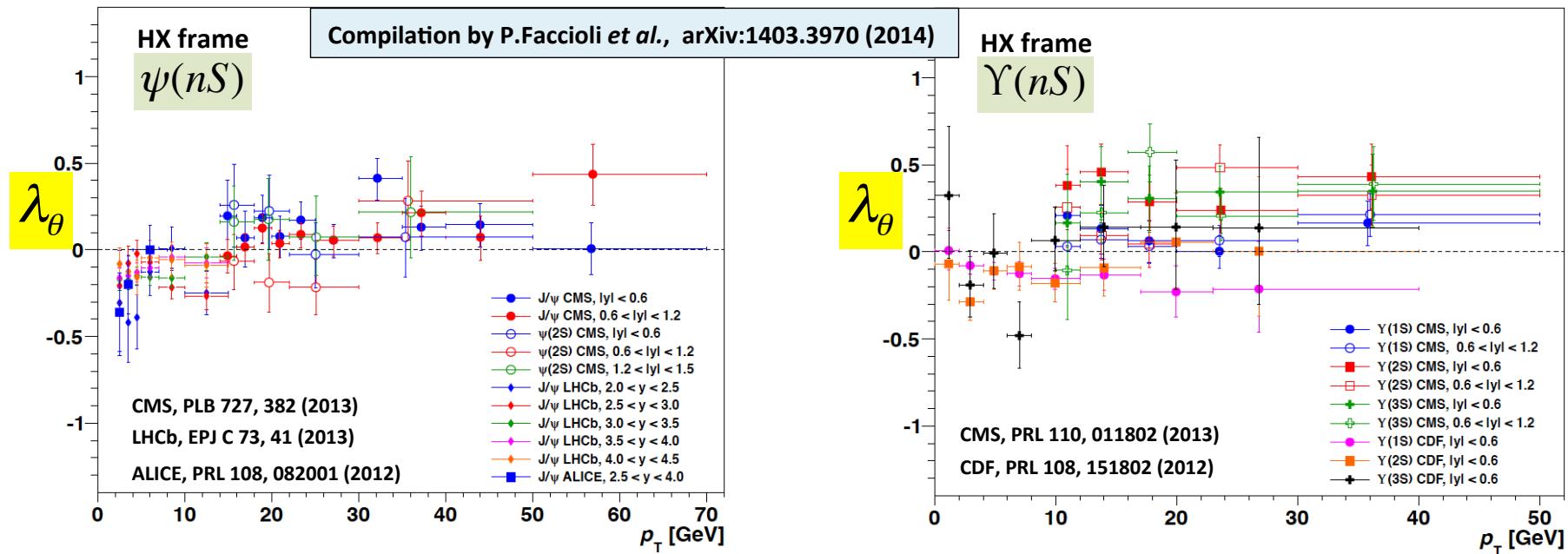
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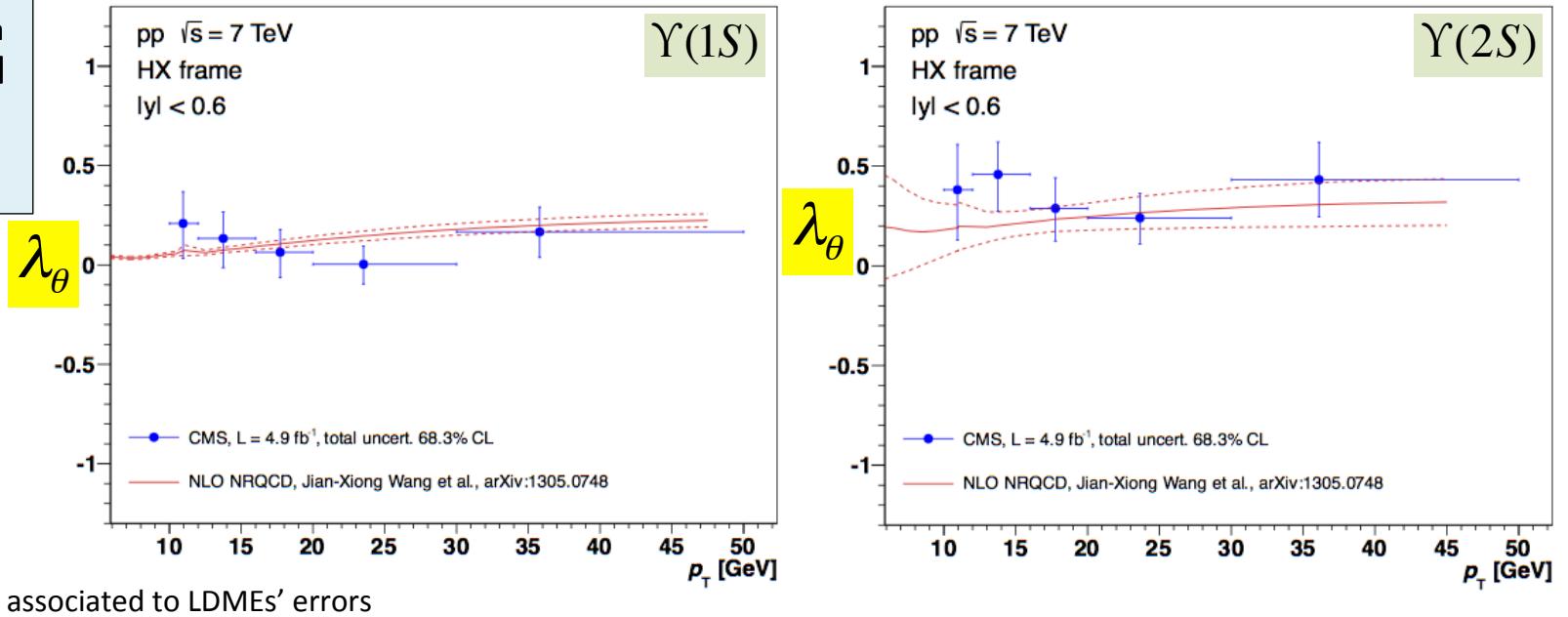
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... unless only the high- $p_T$  behaviour is considered (NRQCD validity domain?)

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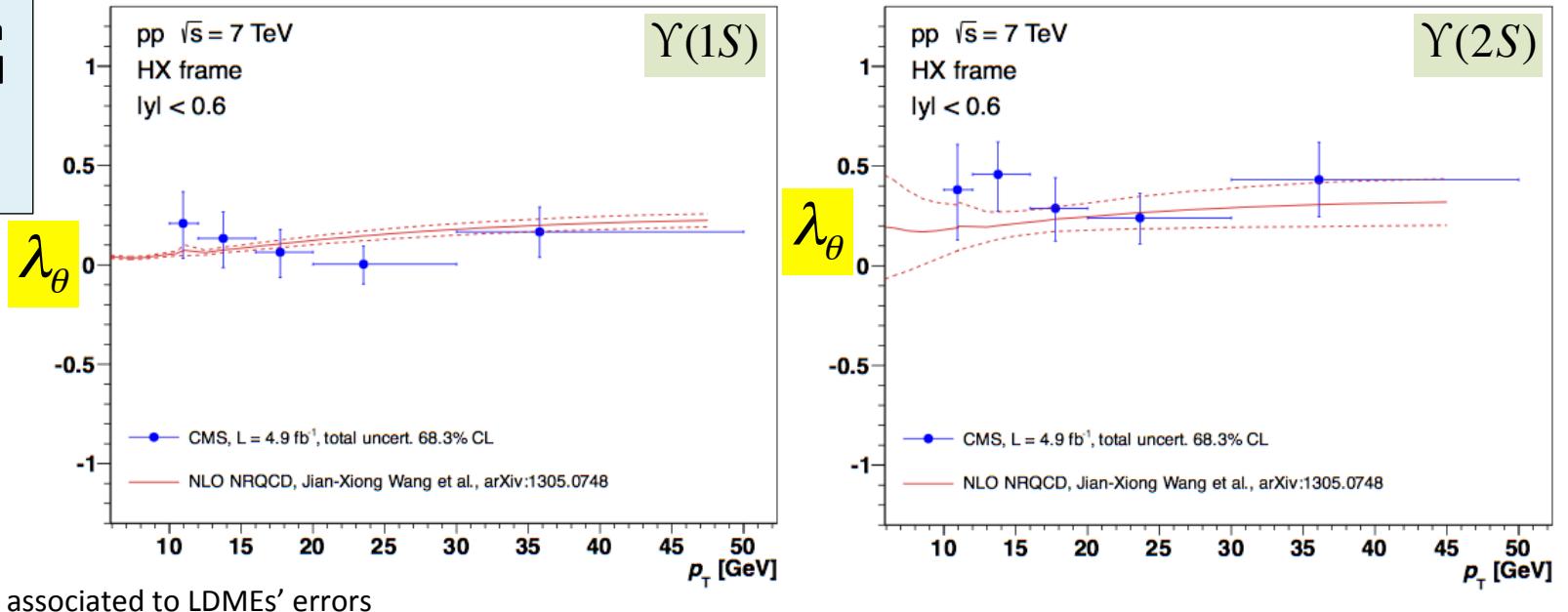


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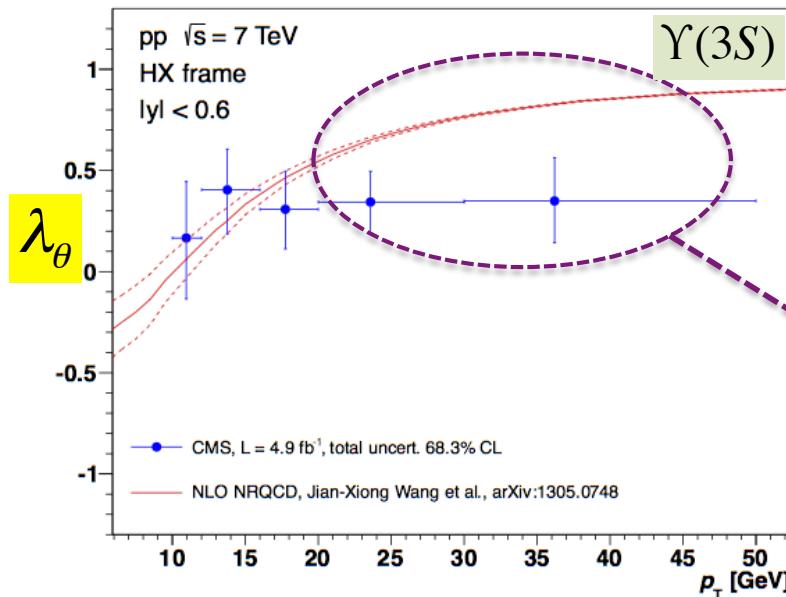
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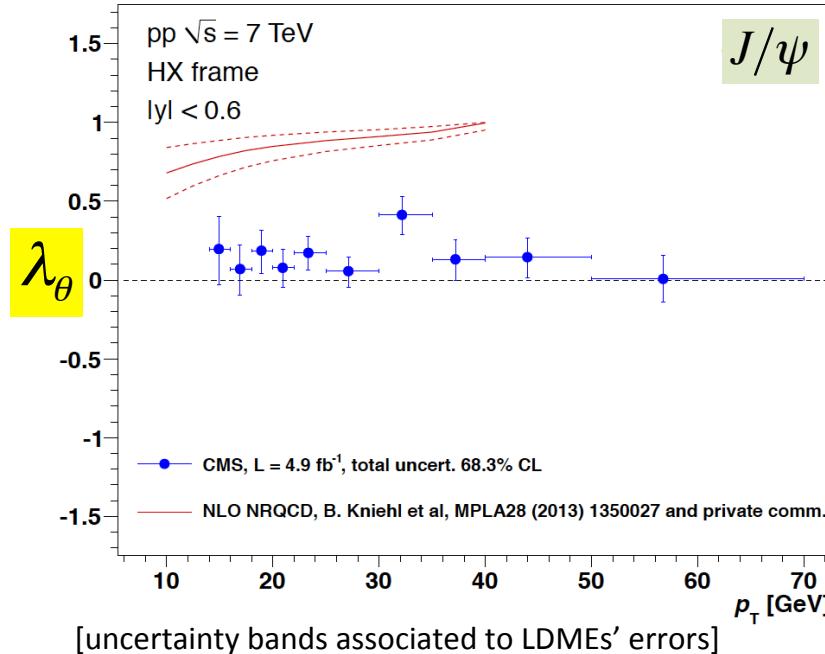


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Assuming that the unknown  $\chi_{bJ}(3P)$  feed-down is negligible ... the polarization of  $\Upsilon(3S)$  can't be explained.

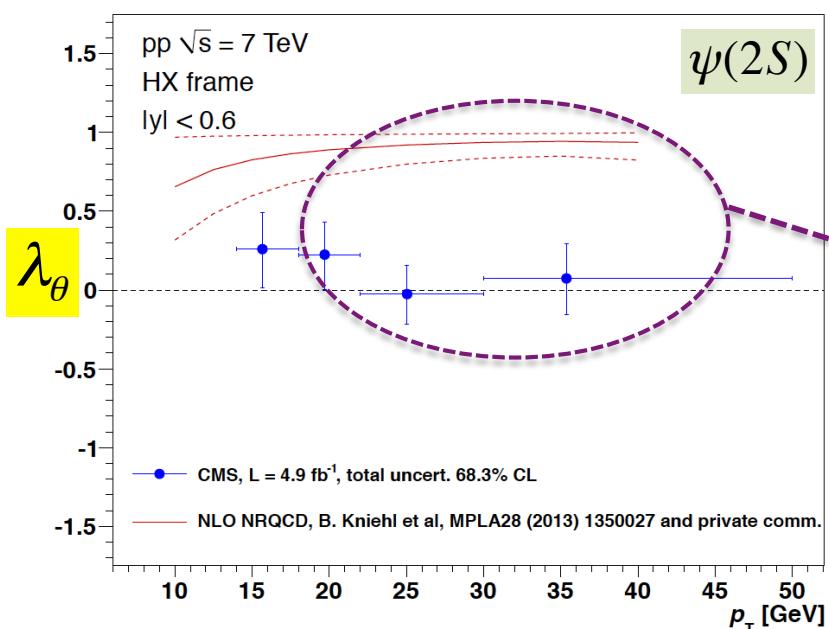
Direct production measurements are needed!

# Comparison with NLO NRQCD for $\psi(nS)$ states



Comparison of CMS data [PLB 727, 382 (2013) ] with  
M.Butenschoen & B. Kniehl, PRL 108, 172002 (2012)  
+ Priv. Comm. [later in MPLA28, 1350027 (2013)]

Calculations use global fit of CO LDMEs  
to photo- as well as hadro-production data  
(excluding polarization results);  
predictions **only** consider **direct** production



NLO NRQCD predictions fail to describe  
data for  $\psi(2S)$  that shouldn't suffer  
from feed-down contributions !

## Summary : puzzles & outlooks - I

- Strong theoretical preference for NRQCD at NLO !  
However... is this the correct theory (@what order in  $\alpha_s, v$ )?  
Or ... what is its validity domain?
- Xsections measurements @ Tevatron & LHC are dominated by color-octet production.  
The  $Q\bar{Q}$  bound states are preferably formed by two heavy quarks of ...
  - different colors (rather than in an already color neutral configuration)
  - smaller relative angular momentum and spin
- Measurements @ Tevatron & LHC show that no relevant longitudinal or transverse polarizations are found for S-wave states. **Puzzle:** disagree with NRQCD predictions.
- Discrepancy between theory and experiment w.r.t. polarization deserves further investigation both theoretically and experimentally.

Theory-data comparison can be reconsidered including polarization data in global NRQCD analyses of production.

## Summary : puzzles & outlooks - II

- It's essential to measure production xsections and polarization **to the highest attainable  $p_T$ , thus testing the validity domain of NRQCD.**

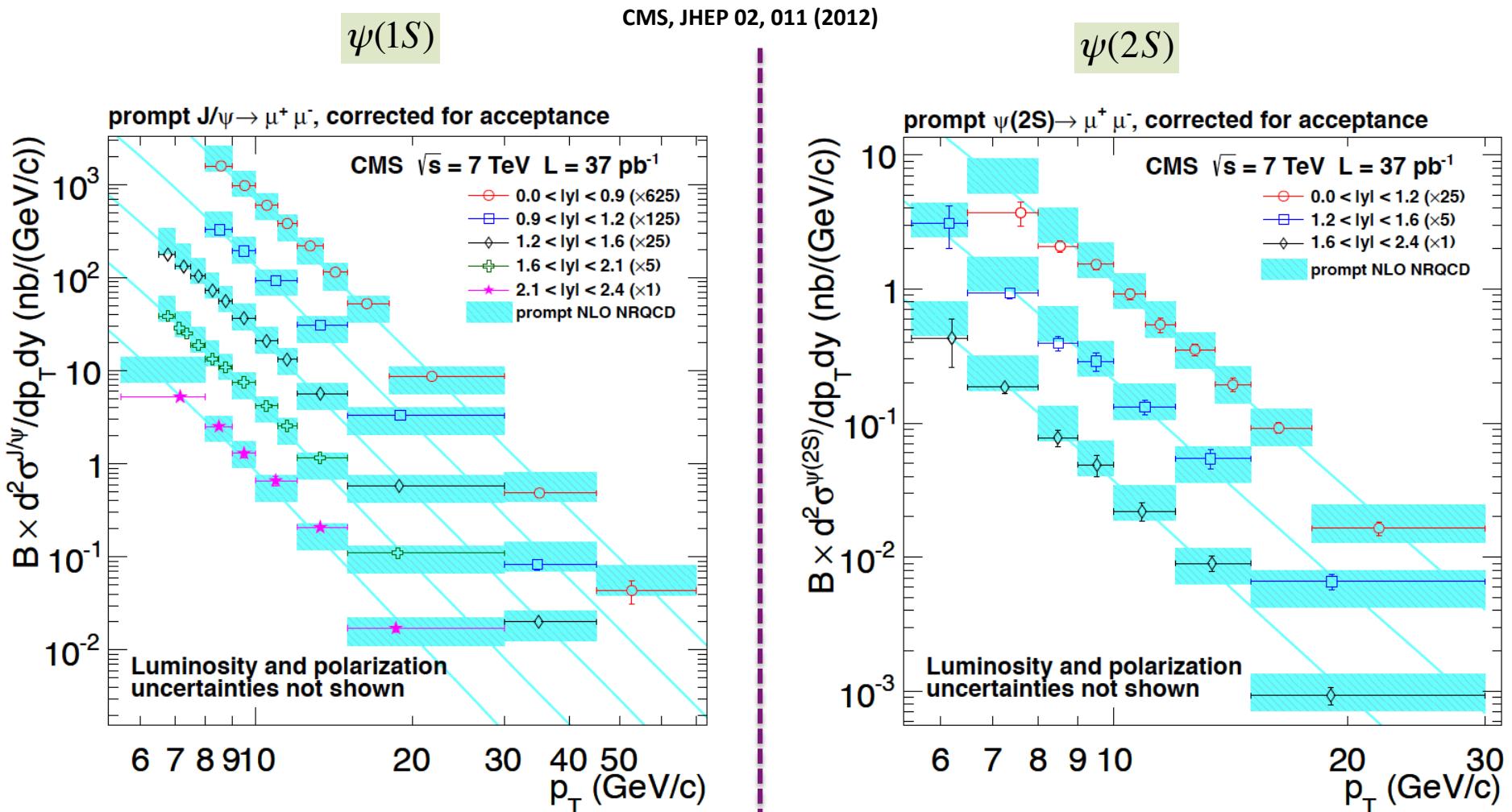
Higher energy & luminosity increase [ LHC Run2 (2015-16)/  $13\text{TeV}$  /  $100\text{fb}^{-1}$  ] will allow to extend the  $p_T$ -reach of quarkonium studies with very small uncertainties.

CMS has not yet fully exploited the potential of the 2011 & 2012 datasets!  
Indeed there are new results with Run1 data foreseen within this year.

- It would be very useful for future measurements to **separate the feed-down contributions from direct production contributions.**
- Challenging measurements of production & polarization for the  $\chi_{cJ}$  and  $\chi_{bJ}$  **P-wave states** would provide valuable additional tests.

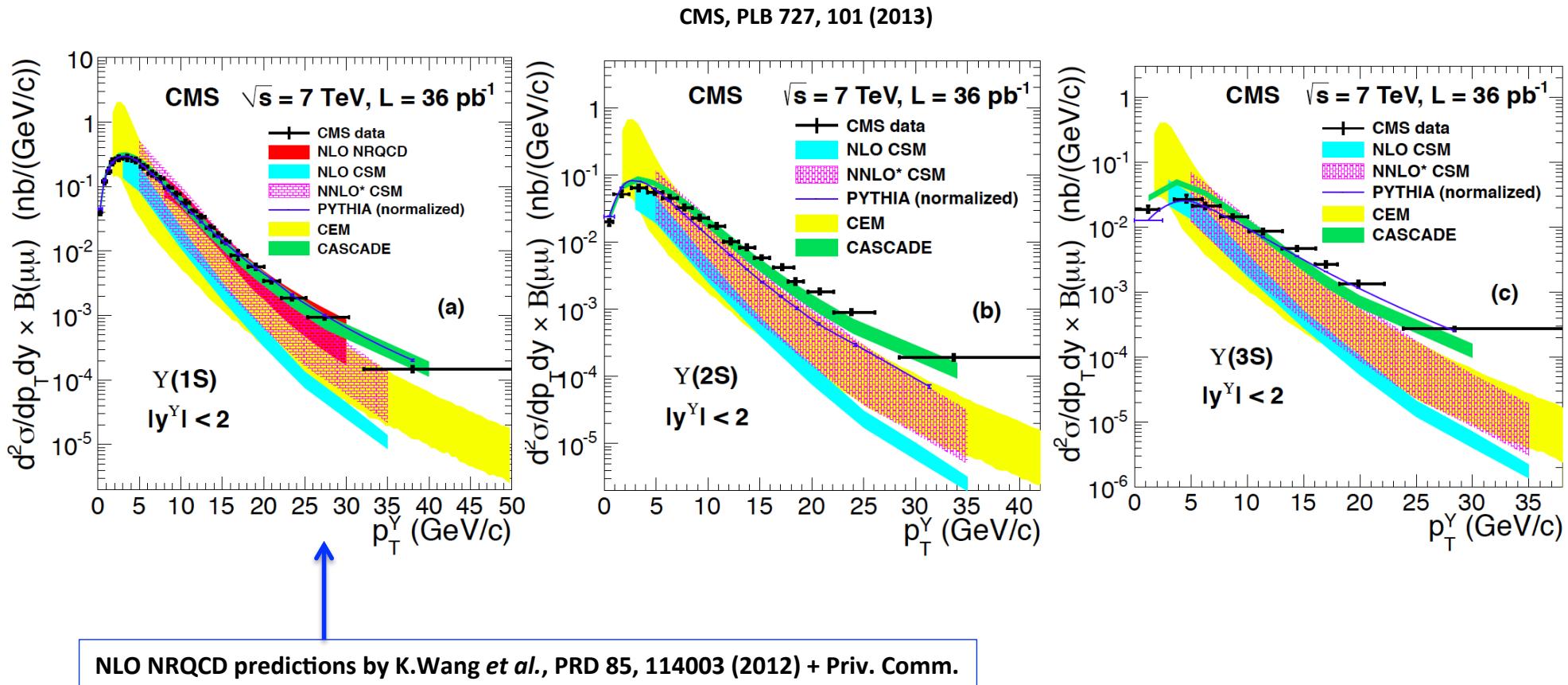
## **Backup slides/Additional material**

## CMS diff. xsections measurement for prompt $\psi(nS)$



Reported values offset for better viewing. NRQCD predictions by Y.Q.Ma *et al.*, PRL 106, 042002 (2011)

# CMS differential xsections measurement for $\Upsilon(nS)$



## Polarization frames details

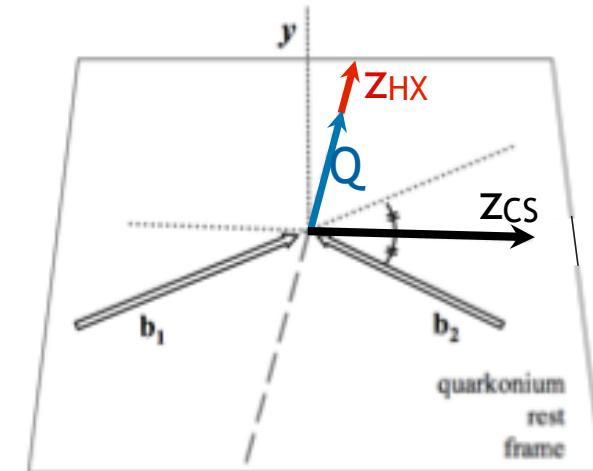
Three of the different conventional reference frames are:

» **center-of-mass helicity axis (HX):  $z_{HX}$**

flight direction of the quarkonium in the center-of-mass frame of the colliding hadrons  
(= direction of the boost vector required to go from the *Q-frame*  
to the center-of-momentum frame of the colliding hadrons)

» **Collins-Soper axis (CS):  $z_{CS}$**

bisector of the angle between colliding beams (as in figure);  
(≈ direction of the vectorial difference between the velocity  
vectors of colliding hadrons in the *Q-frame*)



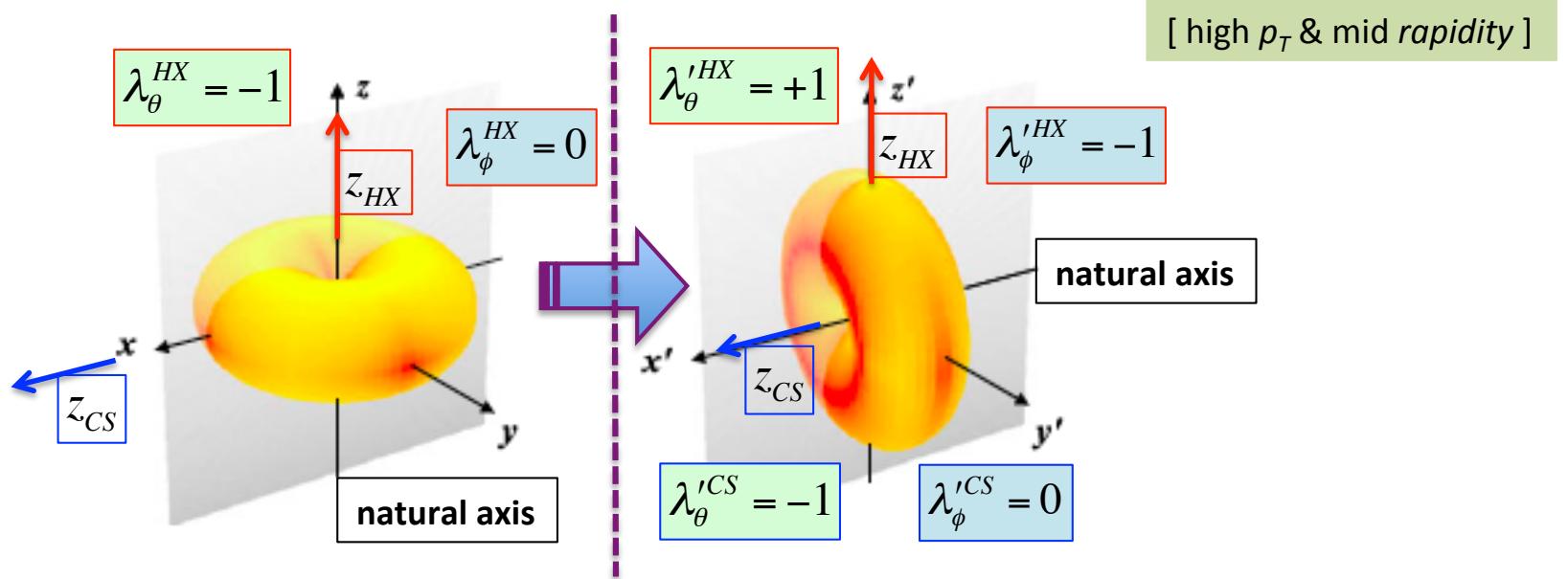
» **perpendicular helicity axis (PX):  $z_{PX}$**

direction of the vectorial sum of the velocity vectors of colliding hadrons  
(= direction of the boost required to go from the *Q-frame* to the frame in which  
the quarkonium momentum is perpendicular to the axis of the colliding beams)

## Frame dependence

A different choice for the polarization frame can be obtained by a **rotation** (about the  $y$ -axis) of the collision plane (in the *Q-frame*) [or, alternatively, a relative polarization frame rotation]

Example (\*) : consider a  $90^\circ$  rotation: it is of physical relevance since  $z_{HX} \perp z_{CS}$  when  $|p_L| \ll p_T$

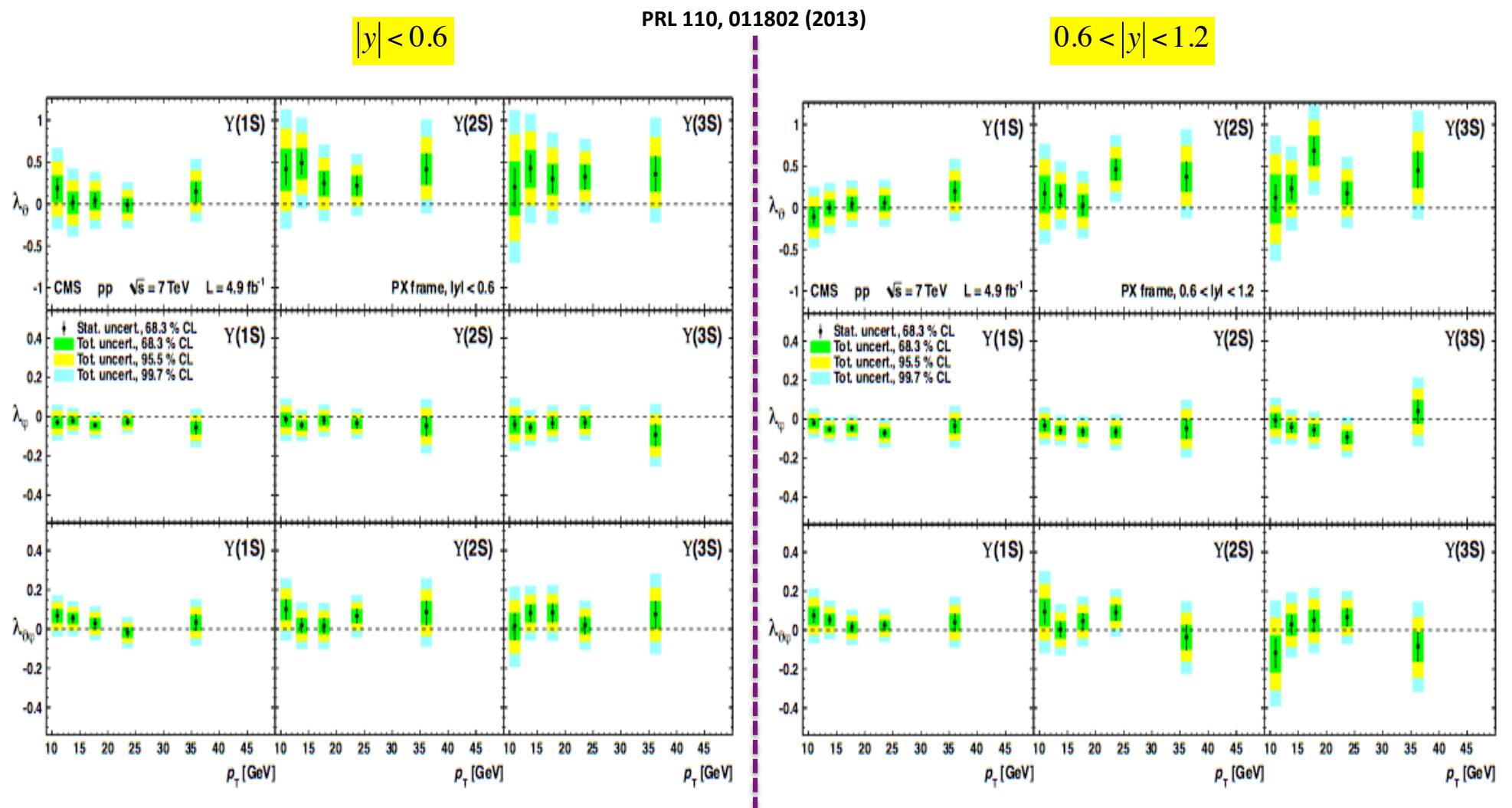


A fully longitudinal natural polarization [ $\lambda_\theta = -1$ ] translates, in a rotated polarization frame, into a fully transverse polarization [ $\lambda'_\theta = +1$ ] with a maximal azimuthal anisotropy [ $\lambda'_\phi = -1$ ].

The angular distribution has the same form but with different polarization parameters, namely the **observed polarization depends on the frame !**

(\*) Faccioli *et al.*, EPJ C (2010) 69

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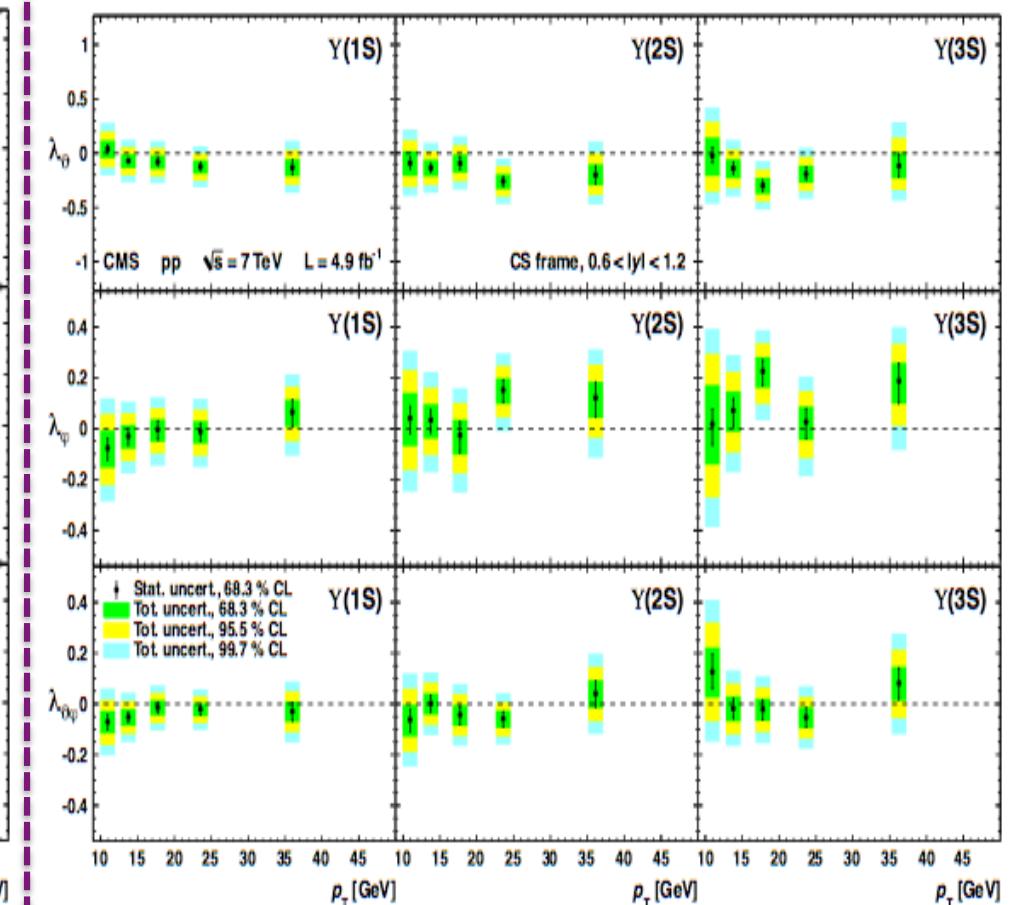
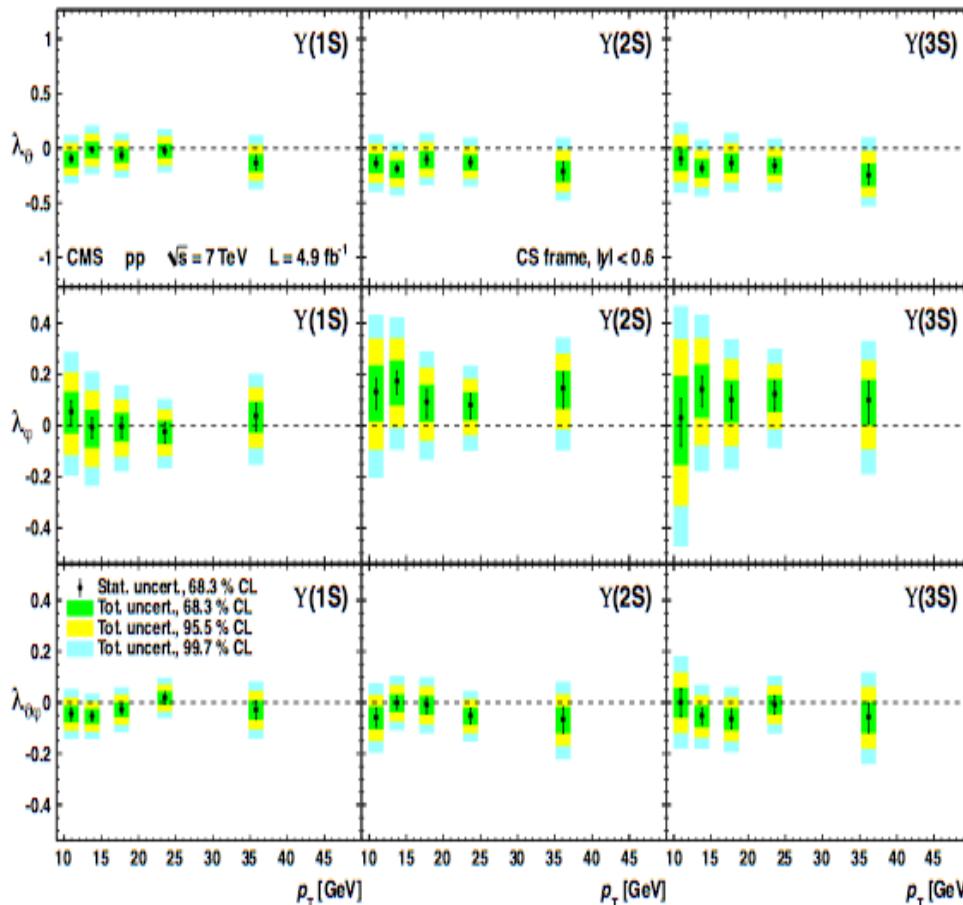


# $\lambda_\theta, \lambda_\phi, \lambda_{\theta\phi}$ CMS measurement for $\Upsilon(nS)$ states in the CS frame

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$|y| < 0.6$

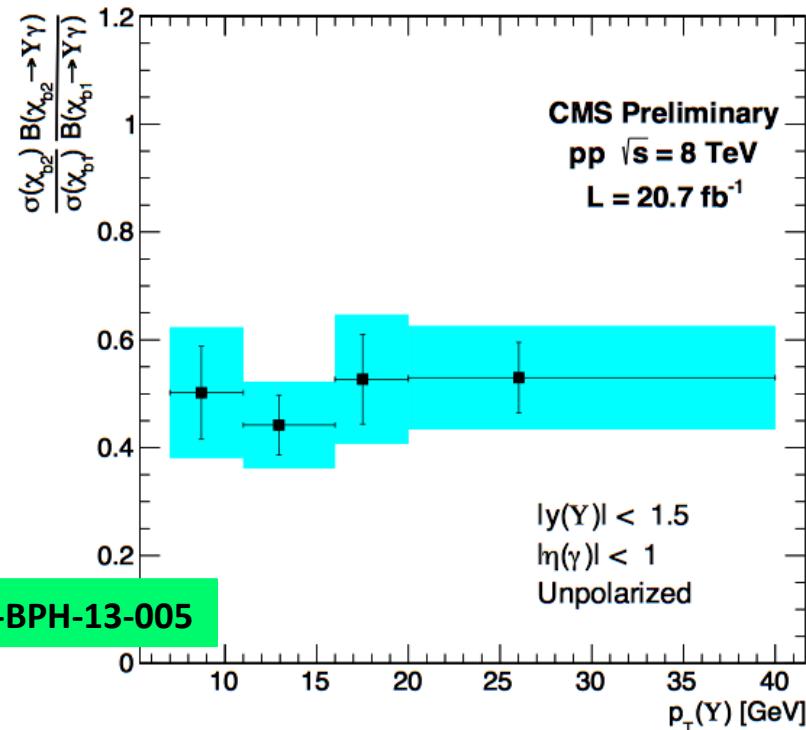
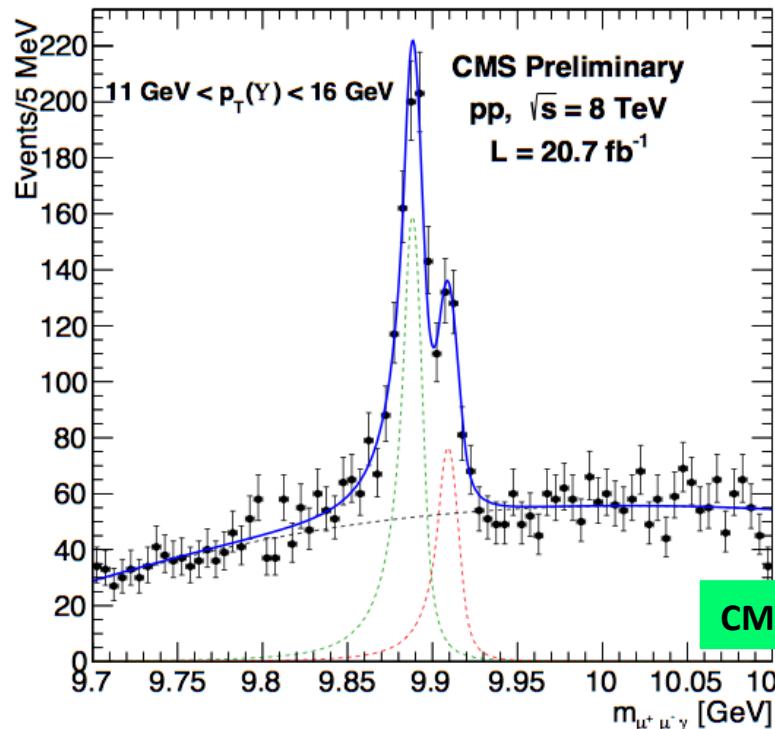
$0.6 < |y| < 1.2$



## Relative production rate of $\chi_{b2}(1P)$ and $\chi_{b1}(1P)$

- First measurement @ hadron colliders of this production cross section ratio (corrected for the ratio of the branching fractions):

$$\frac{\sigma(\chi_{b2}(1P))}{\sigma(\chi_{b1}(1P))} \cdot \frac{B(\chi_{b2}(1P) \rightarrow Y(1S) + \gamma)}{B(\chi_{b1}(1P) \rightarrow Y(1S) + \gamma)}$$



Photons reconstructed by conversions into electron-positron pairs, thus allowing enough mass resolution to resolve the two peaks (20MeV difference)

- Ratios  $\frac{\sigma(\chi_{b2}(1P))}{\sigma(\chi_{b1}(1P))}$  and  $\frac{\sigma(\chi_{c2}(1P))}{\sigma(\chi_{c1}(1P))}$  [CMS, EPJ C72, 2251 (2012)] can be useful to fix the color-octet LDMEs



$p_T$  is the momentum transfer in the A-B collision;

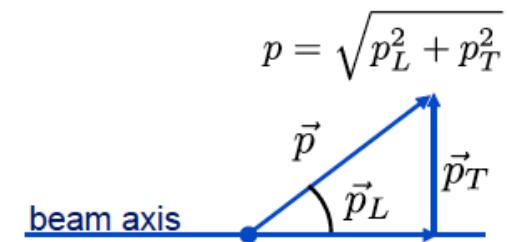
when A and B are hadrons ...  $p_T$  denotes the quarkonium transverse momentum



Rapidity  $y$

The rapidity  $y$  is a generalization of velocity  $\beta_L = p_L/E$ :

$$y := \operatorname{arctanh} \beta_L = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1 + \beta_L}{1 - \beta_L} = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{E + p_L}{E - p_L}$$



Pseudorapidity

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{E + p \cos \vartheta}{E - p \cos \vartheta} \underset{p \gg m}{\approx} \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1 + \cos \vartheta}{1 - \cos \vartheta} = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2 \cos^2 \frac{\vartheta}{2}}{2 \sin^2 \frac{\vartheta}{2}} = -\ln \left[ \tan \frac{\vartheta}{2} \right] =: \eta$$

$\cos(2\alpha) = 2 \cos^2 \alpha - 1 = 1 - 2 \sin^2 \alpha$