

**Transverse momentum distributions of J/ψ produced in Pb–Pb
and p–A interactions at the CERN SPS**

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Outline

J/ψ transverse momentum distributions:

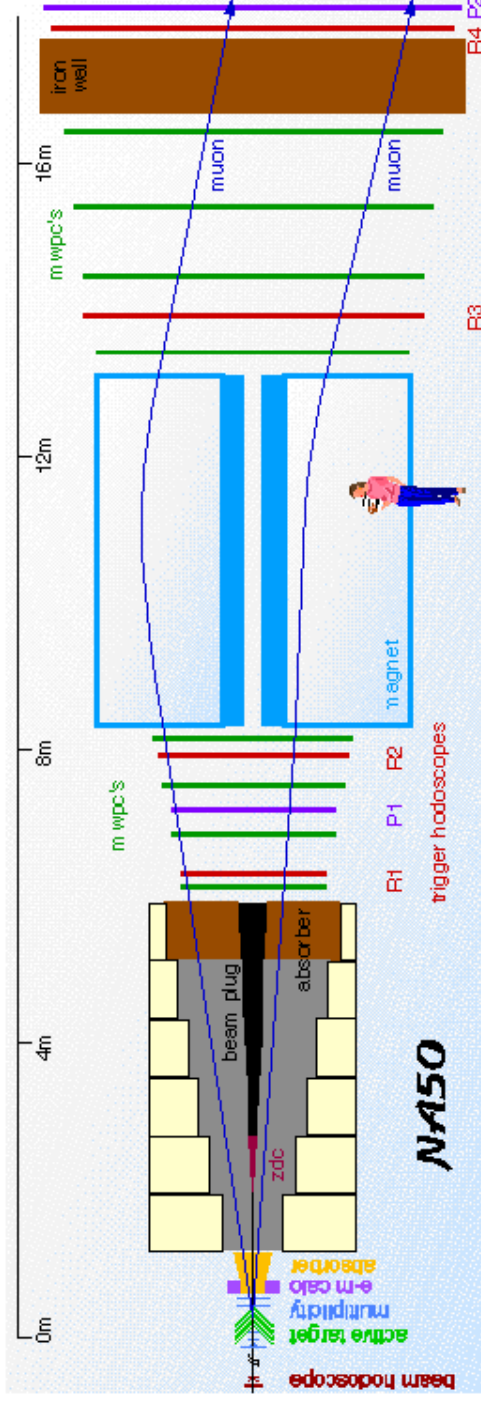
- dN/dp_T distributions and $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$ as a function of E_T
- $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$ as a function of L :
beam energy dependence of $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$ parameters

J/ψ transverse mass distributions:

- dN/dM_T distributions and T as a function of E_T
- T as a function of energy density :
beam energy dependence of T parameters

T as a function of particle mass

Experimental Setup



The J/ψ is detected via its decay into muon pairs

- **Dimuon spectrometer :**
 - **Centrality detectors :** EM calorimeter ($1.1 < \eta_{\text{lab}} < 2.3$)
 - ZDC calorimeter ($\eta_{\text{lab}} > 6.3$)
 - Multiplicity detector ($1.5 < \eta_{\text{lab}} < 3.5$)

Pb–Pb 158 GeV/c (1995, 1996, 2000)

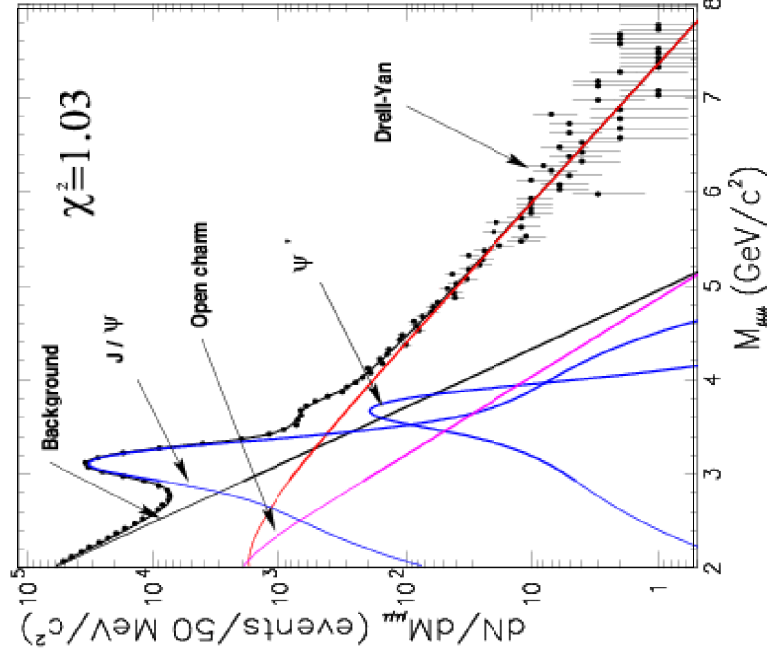
Data period	Subtargets	Number of J/ψ
1995	7	50000
1996	7	190000
2000	1 in vacuum	110000

p – A 400 GeV/c (2000)

Target	Number of J/ψ
Be	40000
Al	50000
Cu	47000
W	51000
Pb	71000

Fit to the mass spectrum

$$\frac{dN}{dM} = A_{J/\psi} \frac{dN_{J/\psi}}{dM} + A_{\psi'} \frac{dN_{\psi'}}{dM} + A_{DY} \frac{dN_{DY}}{dM} + \frac{dN_{D\bar{D}}}{dM} + \frac{dN_{BG}}{dM}$$

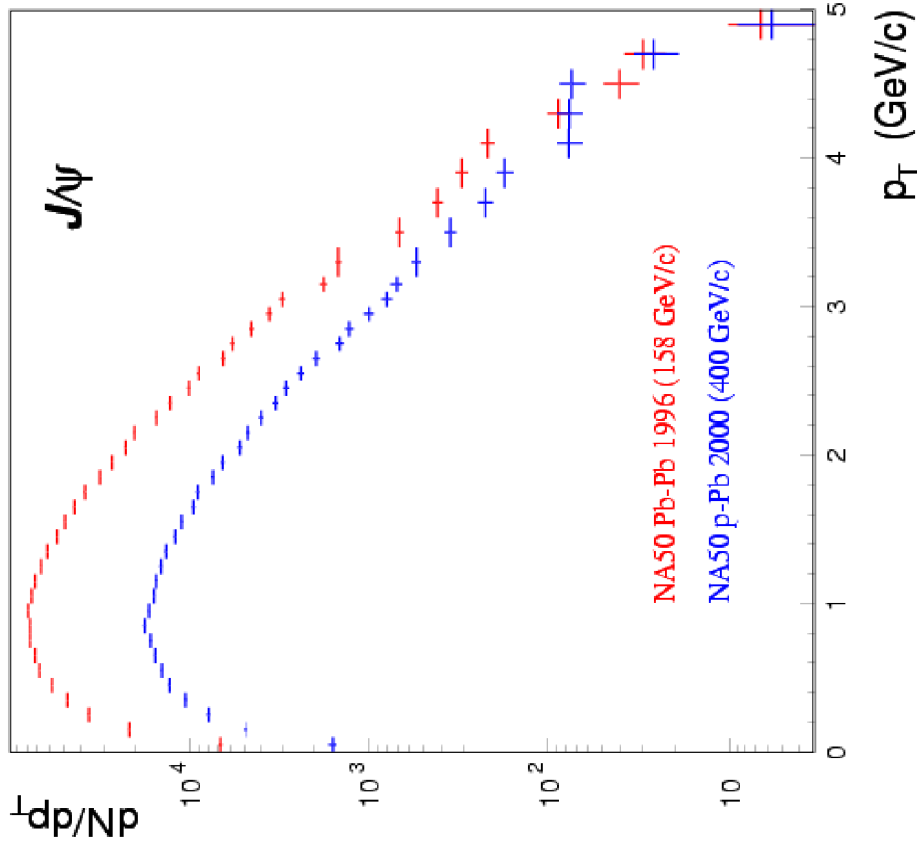


For p_T calculations J/ψ – events in the (2.7–3.5) GeV/c^2 (1995–1996) or (2.9–3.3) GeV/c^2 (1996–2000) mass region

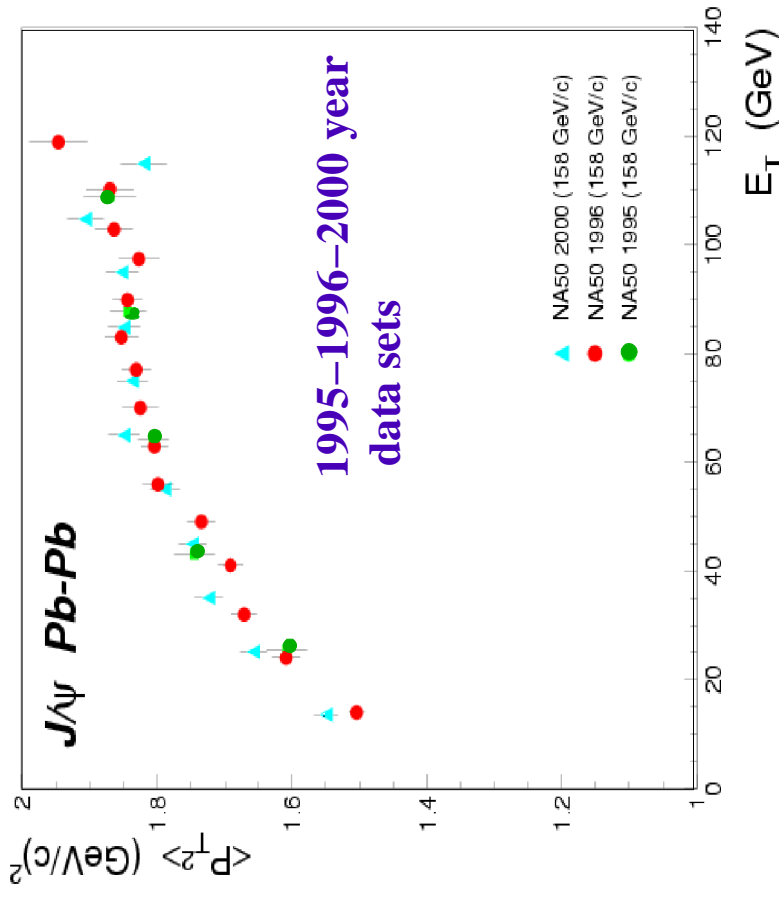
Number of continuum contribution from the mass fit is less 8% (3%), is mainly DY

Correction of the J/ψ transverse momentum distributions for the continuum p_T contribution is made

J/ψ transverse momentum distribution

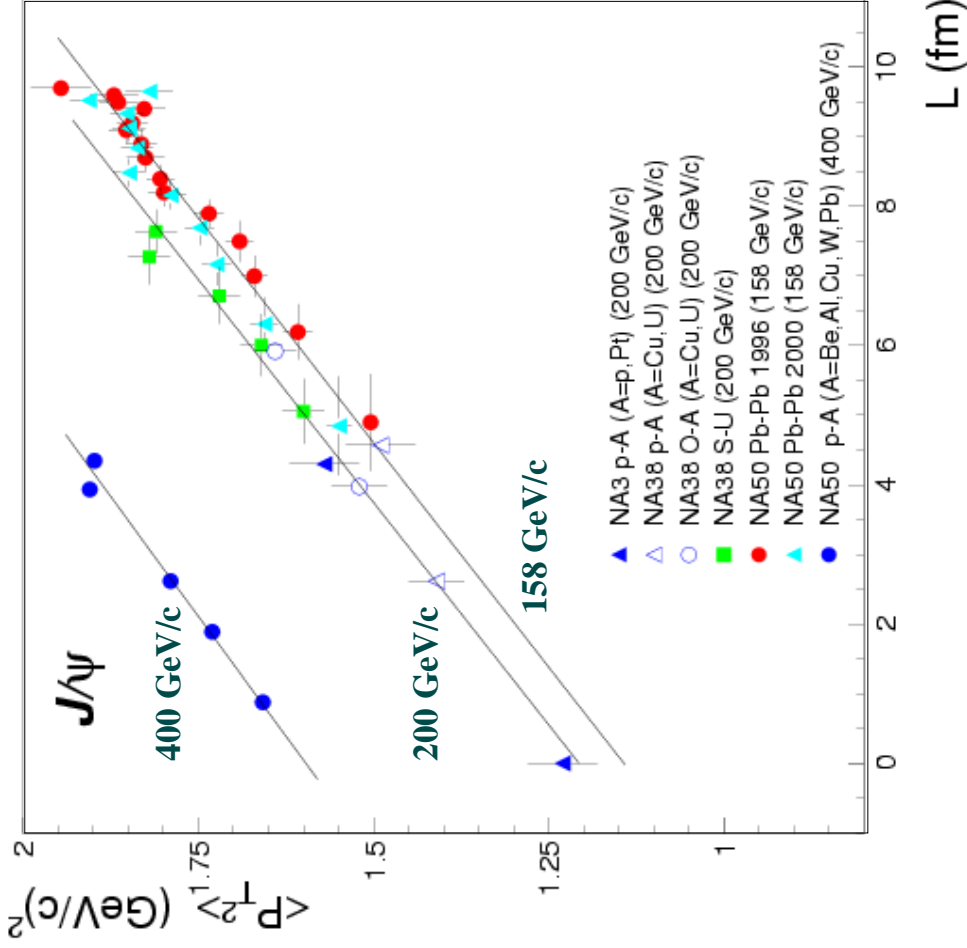


$\langle p_T^2 \rangle$ as a function of transverse energy



For the Pb–Pb collisions $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$ shows an increase followed by a saturation for the central events

$\langle p_T^2 \rangle_{J/\psi}$ as a function of L (1)



L – geometric length of matter crossed by the $c\bar{c}g$ state.

Fit according to:

$$\langle p_T^2 \rangle(L) = \langle p_T^2 \rangle_{pp} + \alpha_{gN} \cdot L$$

158 GeV/c: $\alpha_{gN} = 0.078 \pm 0.003 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2\text{fm}^{-1}$ $\tilde{\chi}^2 = 1.22$

200 GeV/c: $\alpha_{gN} = 0.078 \pm 0.006 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2\text{fm}^{-1}$ $\tilde{\chi}^2 = 0.76$

400 GeV/c: $\alpha_{gN} = 0.073 \pm 0.004 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2\text{fm}^{-1}$ $\tilde{\chi}^2 = 1.91$

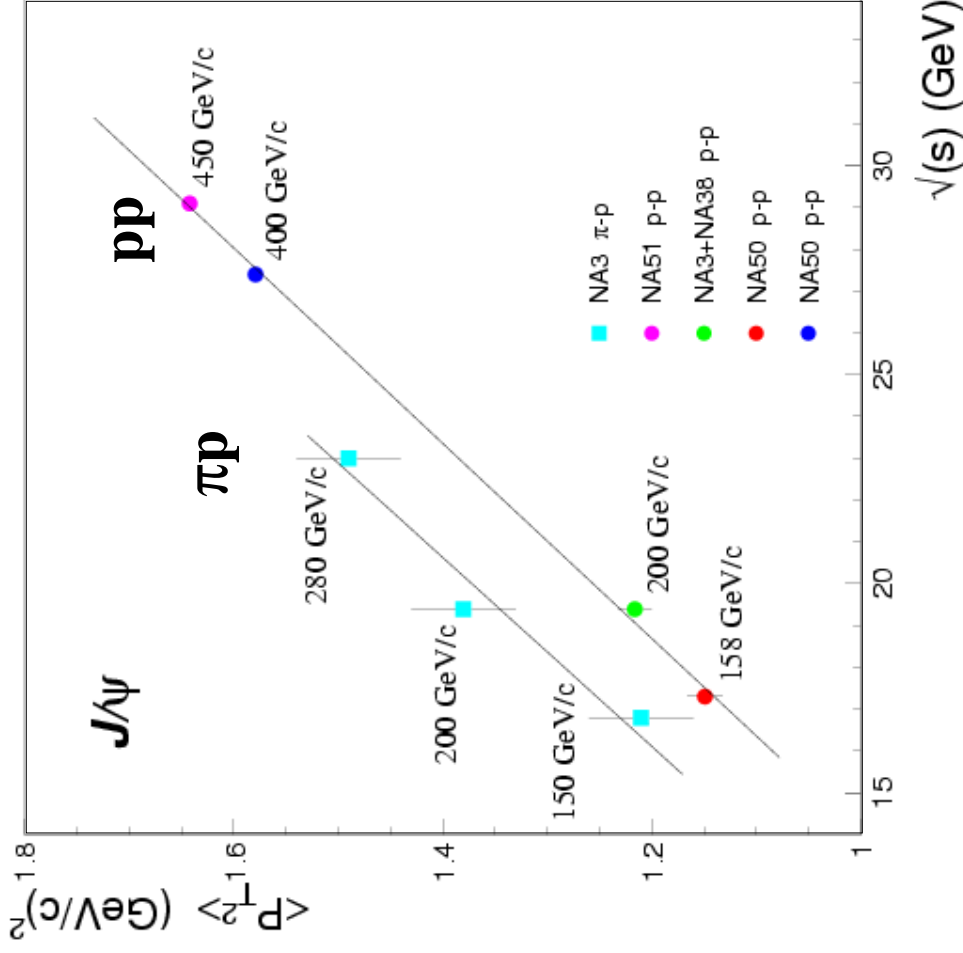
Fit with a common slope:

$$\alpha_{gN} = 0.077 \pm 0.002 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2\text{fm}^{-1} \quad \tilde{\chi}^2 = 3.43$$

In the SPS energy range: α_{gN} – has weak or no beam energy dependence

$\langle p_T^2 \rangle_{pp}$ – depends on beam energy

Energy dependence of $\langle p_T^2 \rangle_{pp}$



$\langle p_T^2 \rangle_{pp}$ as a function of \sqrt{s}

Fit according to:

$$\langle p_T^2 \rangle_{pp} = a + b \cdot \sqrt{s}$$

$$a = 0.40 \pm 0.04 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2 \quad \tilde{\chi}^2 = 0.96$$

$$b = 0.043 \pm 0.002 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

is compatible with

$\langle p_T^2 \rangle_{\pi p}$ behaviour measured by NA3

$$\langle p_T^2 \rangle_{\pi p} = a + b \cdot \sqrt{s}$$

$$a = 0.44 \pm 0.23 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2 \quad \tilde{\chi}^2 = 0.78$$

$$b = 0.047 \pm 0.012 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

In the SPS energy range the $\langle p_T^2 \rangle_{pp}$ grows linearly as a function of \sqrt{s} , total energy in the NN center of mass

$\langle p_T^2 \rangle_{J/\psi}$ as a function of L (2)

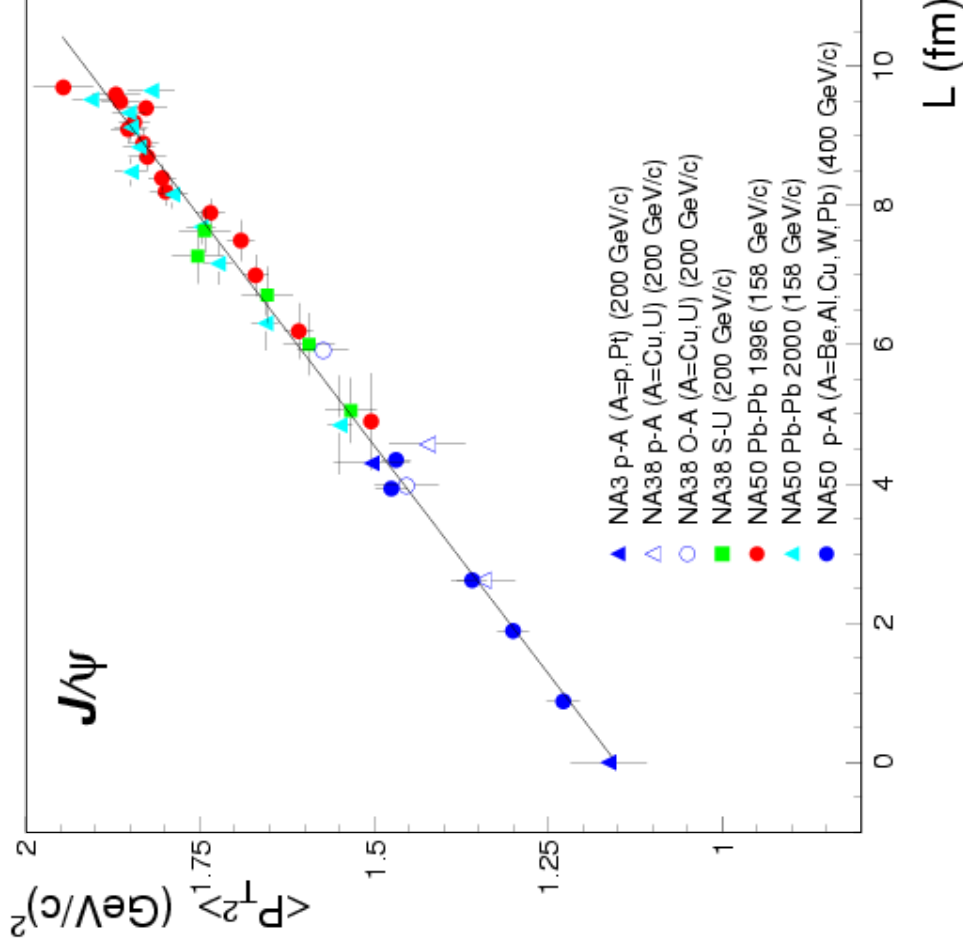
**NA3 + NA38 (200 GeV/c) +
 NA50 (400 GeV/c)**
are rescaled to 158 GeV/c

Fit according to:

$$\langle p_T^2 \rangle(L) = \langle p_T^2 \rangle_{pp} + \alpha_{gN} \cdot L$$

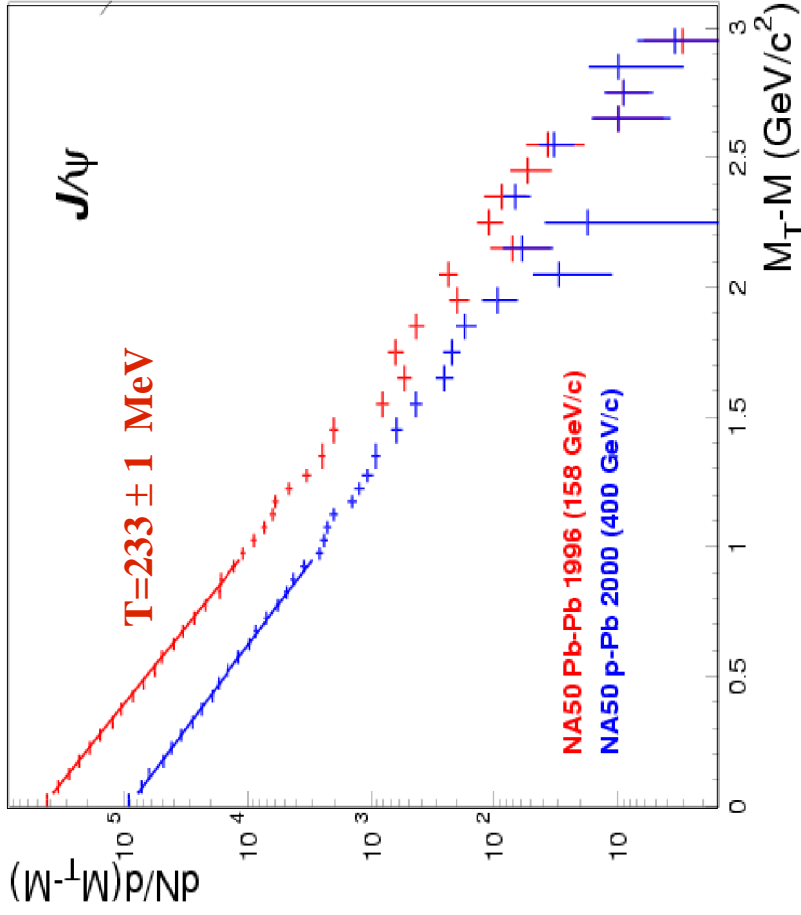
$$\langle p_T^2 \rangle_{pp} = 1.15 \pm 0.02 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2 \quad \chi^2 = 0.91$$

$$\alpha_{gN} = 0.076 \pm 0.002 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2 \text{fm}^{-1}$$

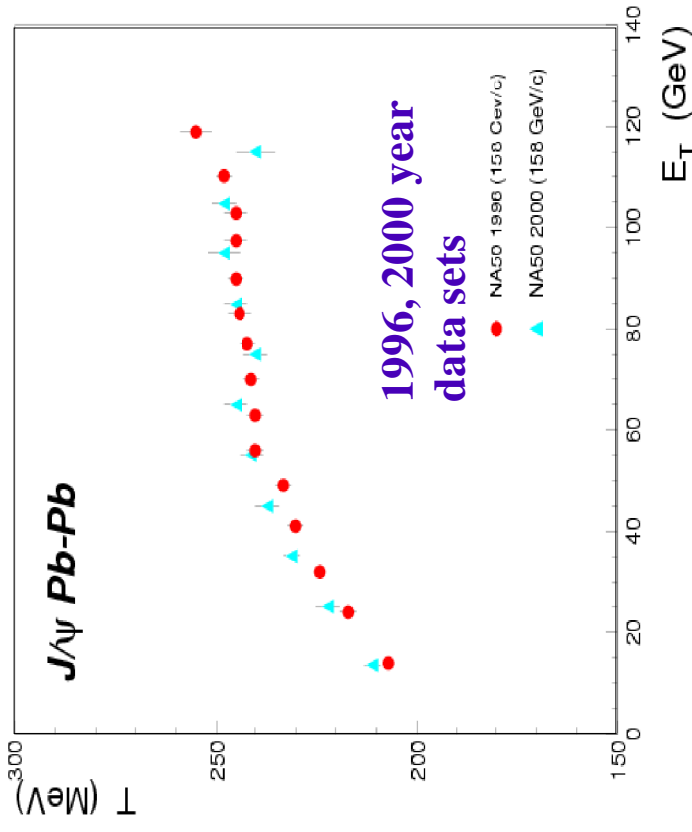


The observed dependence could simply result from parton initial state multiple scattering

J/ψ transverse mass distribution



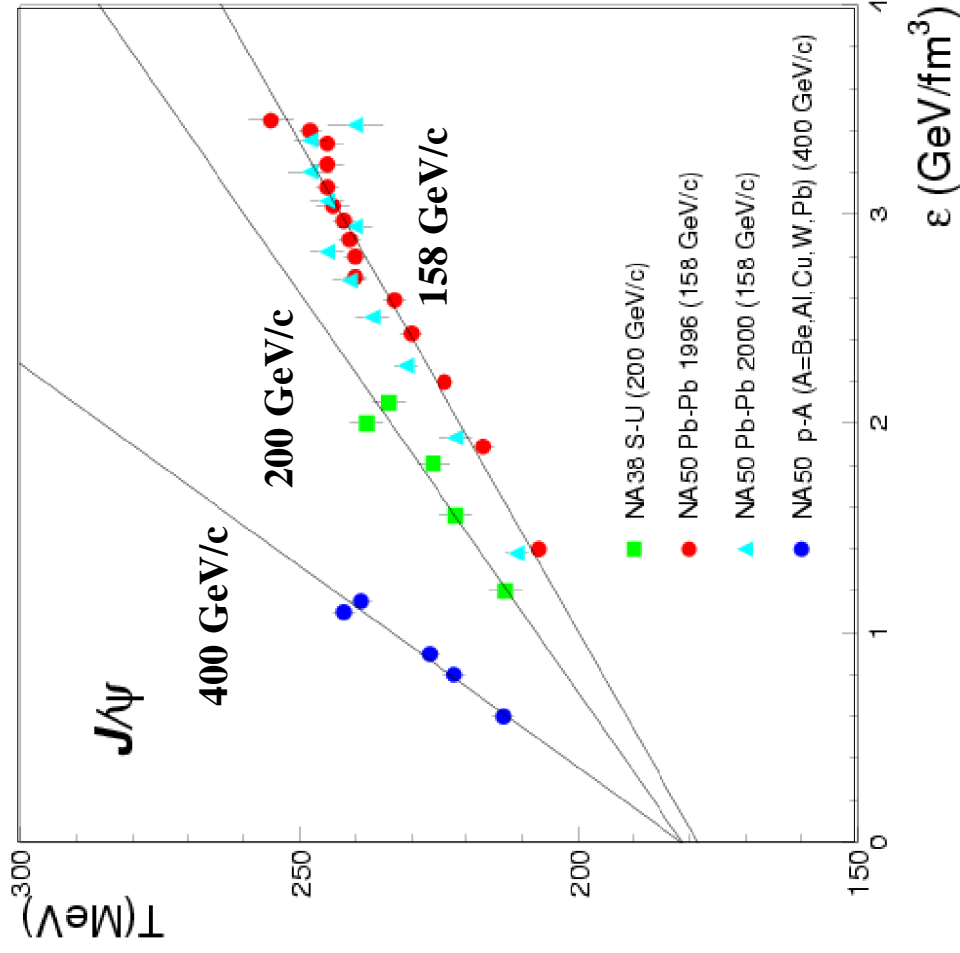
$T_{J/\psi}$ as a function of transverse energy



Fit M_T distribution with a modified Bessel Function $M_T^2 K_1(M_T/T)$ gives inverse slope parameter T – effective temperature of the system in thermal models

The inverse slope parameter T shows an increase followed by saturation for the central events. The T behaviour is similar $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$ as a function of E_T

$T_{J/\psi}$ as a function of ϵ (1)



ϵ – energy density reached in the collision

Fit with a linear function:

$$T_{J/\psi}(\epsilon) = T(\epsilon=0) + T_{\text{slope}} * \epsilon$$

gives compatible initial $T(\epsilon=0)$ values for 3 data sets.

158 GeV/c: $T(\epsilon=0) = 178 \pm 2$ MeV

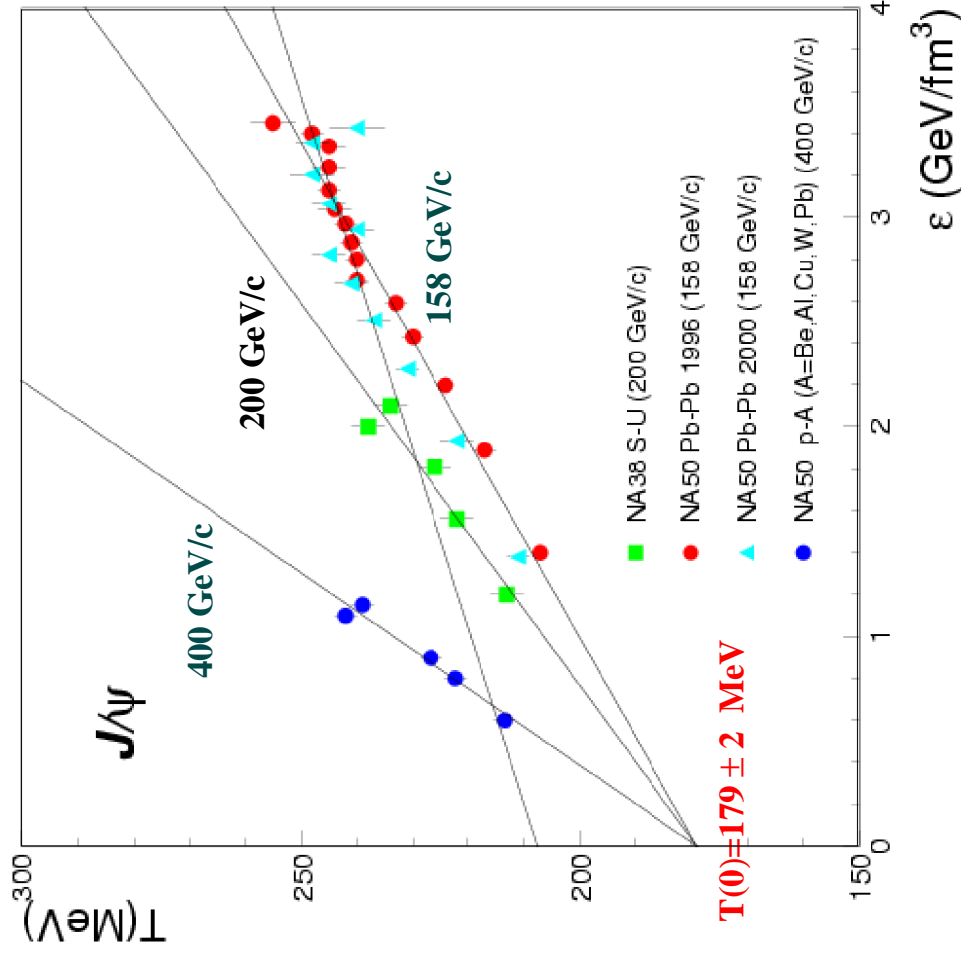
200 GeV/c: $T(\epsilon=0) = 181 \pm 7$ MeV

400 GeV/c: $T(\epsilon=0) = 181 \pm 4$ MeV

T_{slope} depends on beam energy

For all colliding systems $T_{J/\psi}$ grows as a function of energy density

$T_{J/\psi}$ as a function of ϵ (2)



Fitting with a common initial value for 3 data sets gives

$$T(\epsilon=0) = 179 \pm 2 \text{ MeV}$$

and beam energy dependent T_{slope}

$$158 \text{ GeV/c: } T_{\text{slope}} = (21 \pm 1) \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ fm}^3$$

$$200 \text{ GeV/c: } T_{\text{slope}} = (27 \pm 1) \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ fm}^3$$

$$400 \text{ GeV/c: } T_{\text{slope}} = (55 \pm 2) \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ fm}^3$$

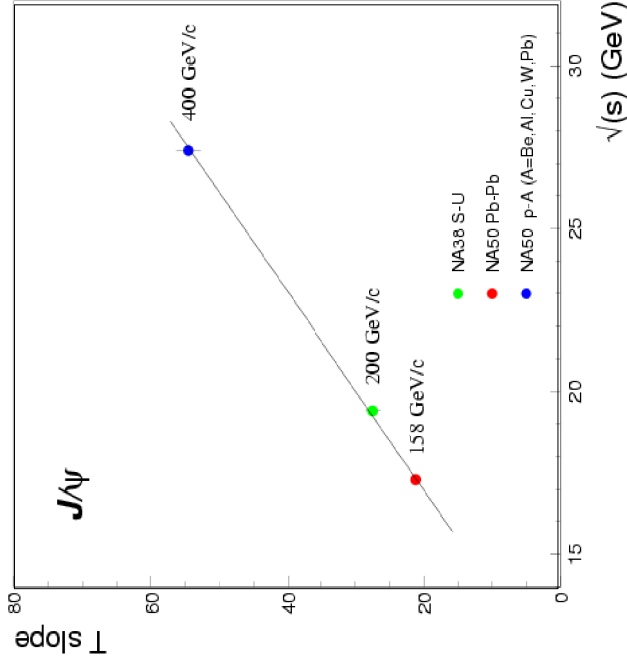
For central Pb–Pb collisions

$$158 \text{ GeV/c: } T_{\text{slope}} = (12 \pm 3) \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ fm}^3$$

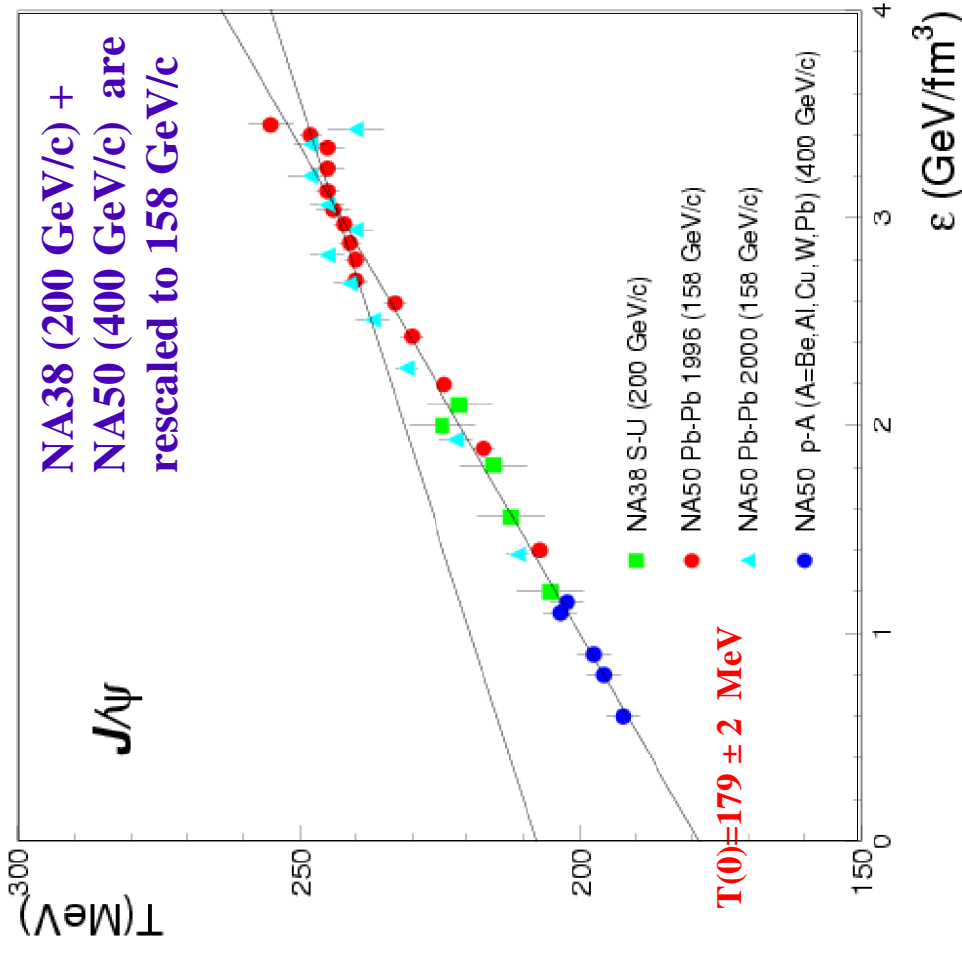
The behaviour is quite similar for all colliding systems except for the most central Pb–Pb collisions

$T_{J/\psi}$ as a function of ϵ (3)

Tslope energy dependence



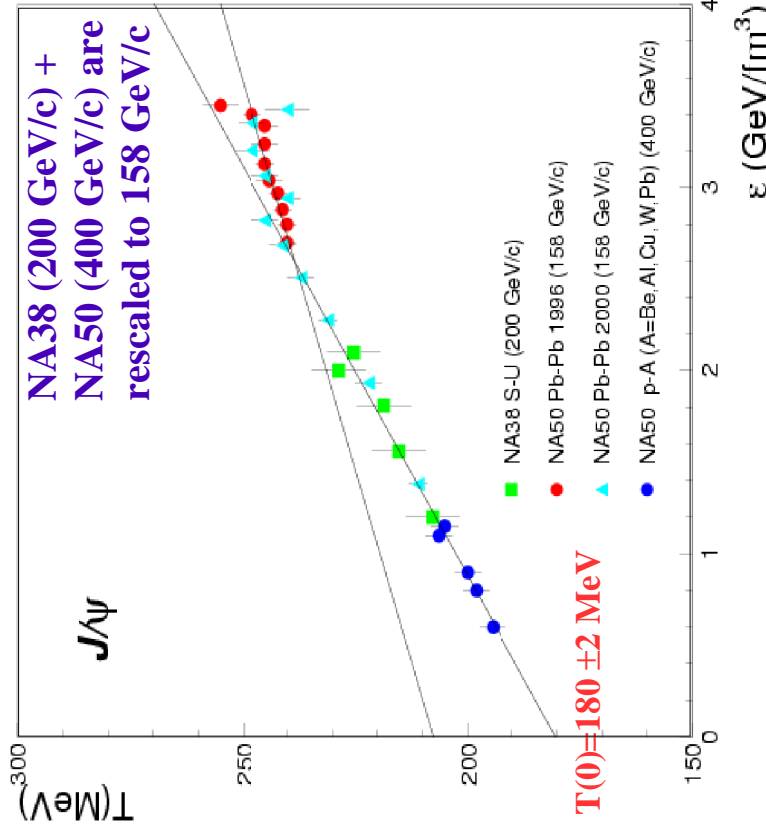
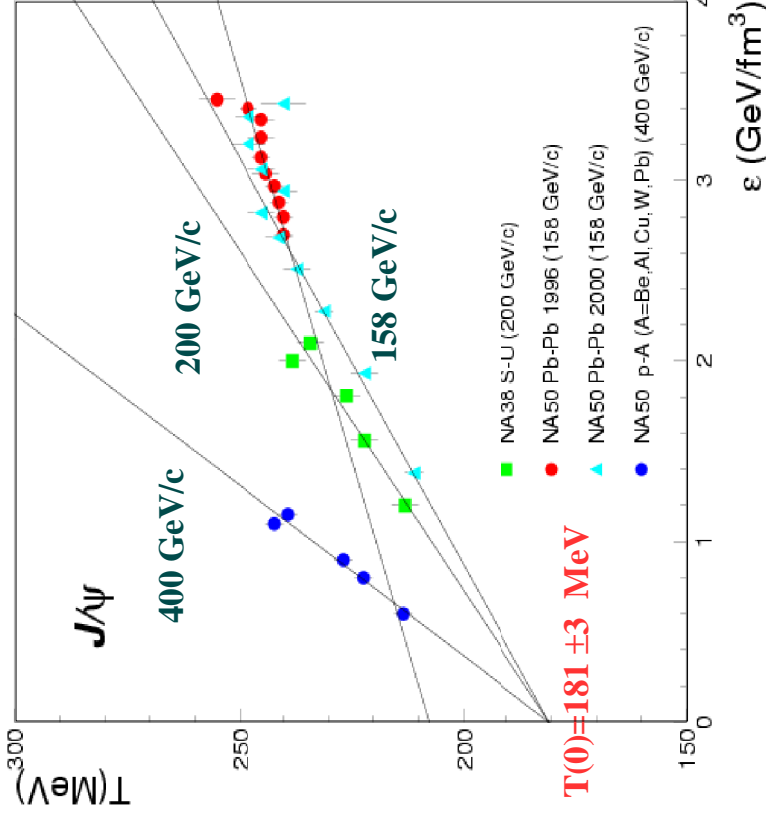
Tslope grows linearly as a function of \sqrt{s}



The behaviour is quite similar for all the colliding systems. For the most central Pb–Pb collisions more flat energy dependence could be seen.

T_{J/ψ} as a function of ε (4)

For Pb–Pb 158 GeV/c data set only peripheral Pb–Pb 2000 year data were used for fitting with common initial T(ε=0) value



Tslope = (22 ± 1) · 10⁻³ fm³

χ² = 1.06

Tslope(central Pb–Pb) = (12 ± 3) · 10⁻³ fm³

χ² = 0.68

In the SPS energy range for all colliding systems T_{J/ψ} grows linearly with the energy density.
For the most central Pb–Pb collisions more flat behaviour could be seen.

Conclusions

J/ψ transverse momentum distributions:

- For all colliding systems $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$ grows linearly as a function of L.
- The observed dependence of $\langle p_T^2 \rangle$ as a function of centrality could result from parton initial state multiple scattering.

J/ψ transverse mass distributions:

- The inverse slope T grows linearly as a function of energy density.
- All colliding systems have the same initial T value at $\epsilon=0$.
- For the central Pb–Pb collisions a more flat ϵ dependence could be seen.

T as a function of particle mass :

- For the J/ψ effective temperature T is smaller than expected.