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# *CP* violation in charmed baryons at LHCb

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- **Introduction**

- ✧ Why are we interested in charm physics?
- ✧ Known sources of  $CP$  violation in the Standard Model

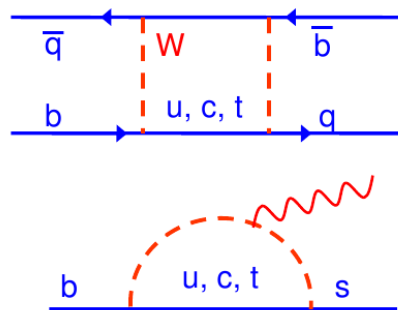
- **The examples of the LHCb measurements**

- ✧  $CP$  violation in  $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$
- ✧  $CP$  asymmetry difference between  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-K^+$  and  $p\pi^-\pi^+$
- ✧ Amplitude analysis of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$
- ✧ Polarization of  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$
- ✧ Polarimeter vector field in  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$

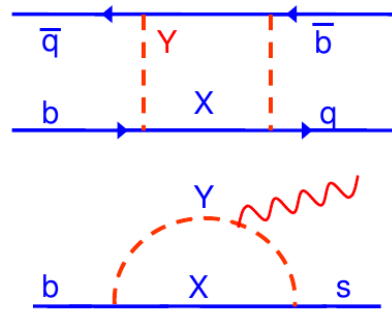
- **Summary**

- In the Standard Model (SM), the known value of  $CP$  violation (CPV) is too small to explain the observed size of matter domination over antimatter in the universe
- At LHCb, we very precisely test known CPV in the SM  
 → finding disagreement will be indirect indication of new phenomena existence
- The new particles can appear in the loops

Standard Model



New physics



box diagrams



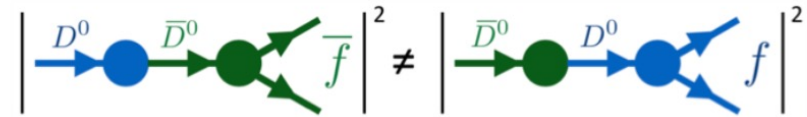
penguin diagrams



- Charm sector is very promising since the background from the SM is very small, expected CPV is only  $\lesssim 10^{-4} - 10^{-3}$  (much smaller than we measure in beauty meson decays)

1. In the mixing (only neutral particles)

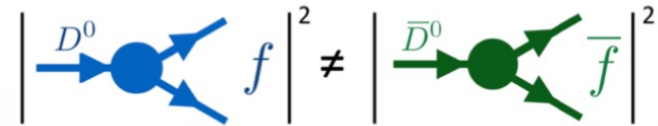
$$P^0 \rightarrow \text{anti-}P^0 \neq \text{anti-}P^0 \rightarrow P^0$$



2. In the amplitudes of direct decays

(neutral and charge particles)

$$P^\pm \rightarrow f \neq \text{anti-}P^\pm \rightarrow \text{anti-}f$$



3. In the interference between direct decays and decays via mixing (only neutral particles)



Federico's & Jolanta's talks

$$P^0 = K^0, B^0, B^0_s, D^0, D^0_s$$

$$P^\pm = K^\pm, B^\pm, B^\pm_s, D^\pm, D^\pm_s, \Lambda^\pm_b, \Lambda^\pm_c, \Xi^\pm_c \dots$$

This talk



The single-arm forward spectrometer (a new concept for HEP experiments)

$$\sigma(b\bar{b}) = 75.3 \pm 5.4 \pm 13.0 \mu\text{b}$$

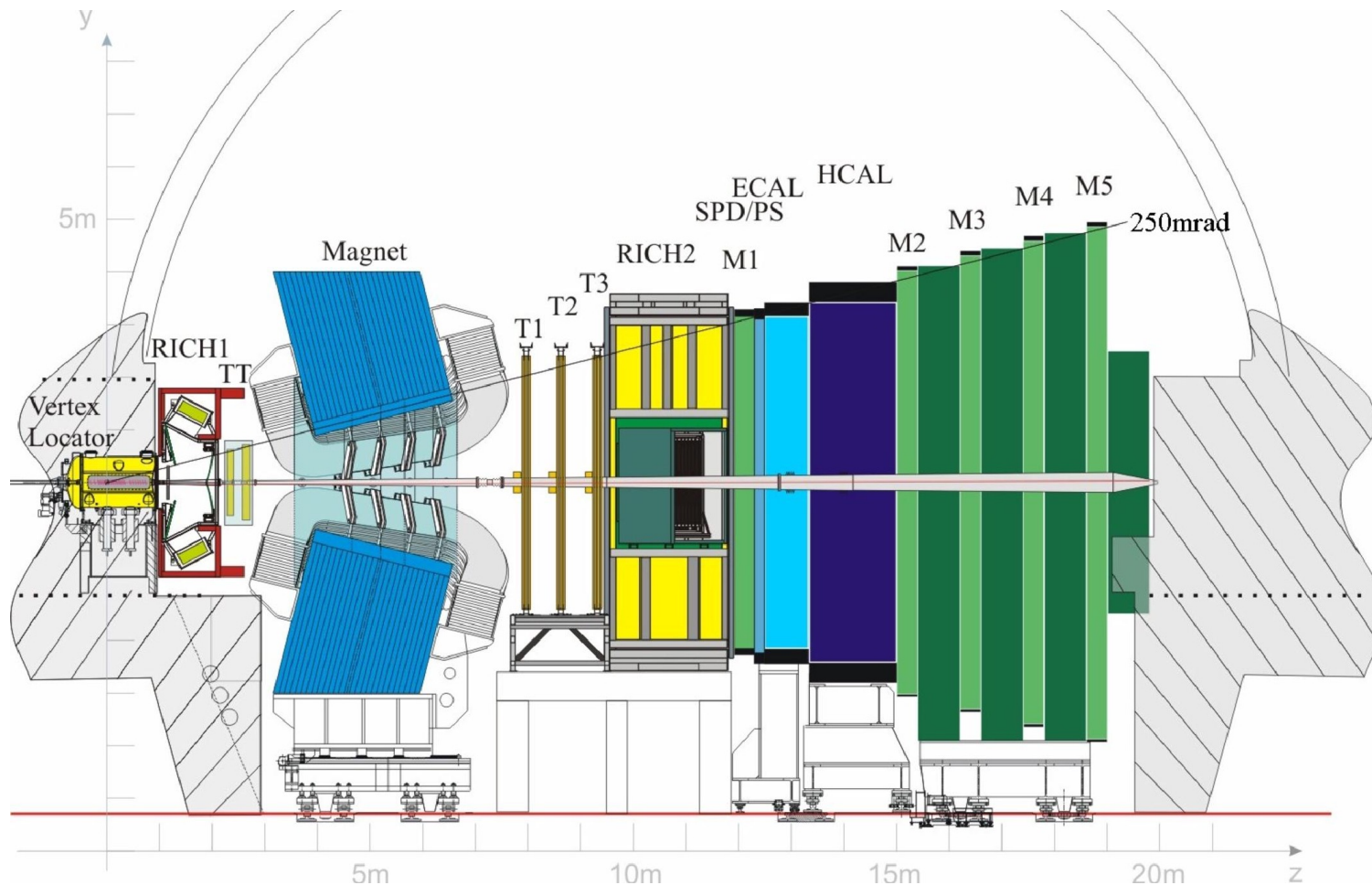
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$$10 < \theta < 300 \text{ mrad} \quad (2 < \eta < 5)$$

$$\sigma(c\bar{c}) = 1419 \pm 12 \pm 116 \mu\text{b} \sim 20 \times \sigma(b\bar{b})$$

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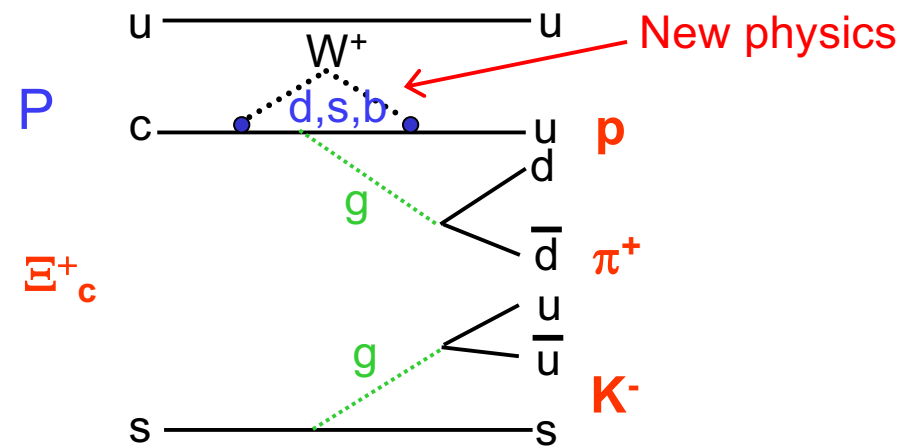
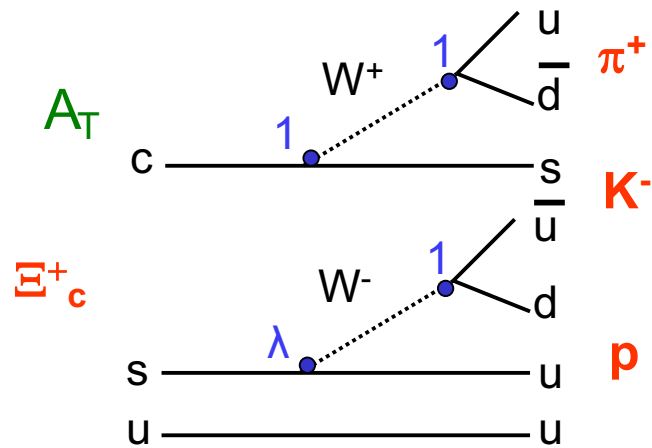
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## Singly Cabibbo-suppressed decays (SCS):

- the only place for CP violation in the Standard Model
- both: tree and penguin diagrams

$$\lambda = 0.22$$



$$A = V_{us} V_{cs}^* A_T + V_{ud} V_{cd}^* P_d + V_{us} V_{cs}^* P_s + V_{ub} V_{cb}^* P_b$$

$\sim \lambda$                        $\sim \lambda$                        $\sim \lambda$                        $\sim \lambda^6$

$$Asym_{CP} \sim |A_1| |A_2| \sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \sin(\delta_1 - \delta_2)$$

$= A_T = P$                       weak phases                      strong phases !!!

To observe CP violation, at least two amplitudes must interfere with different weak phases AND DIFFERENT STRONG PHASES

- In each bin a **significance of a difference between  $E_c^+$  and  $E_c^-$**  is calculated

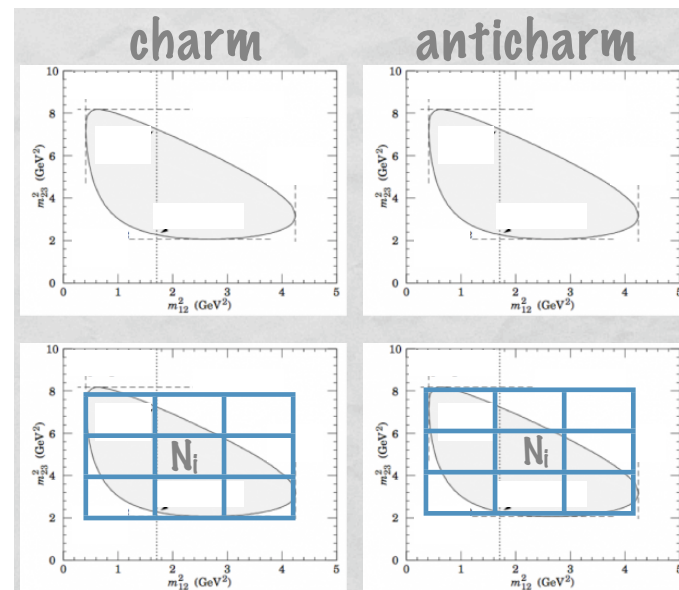
$$S_{CP}^i \equiv \frac{N_+^i - \alpha N_-^i}{\sqrt{\alpha(N_+^i + N_-^i)}} \quad \alpha = \frac{N^+}{N^-}$$

- To **cancel global asymmetries** (production asymmetry etc.) the Dalitz plots are **normalized**

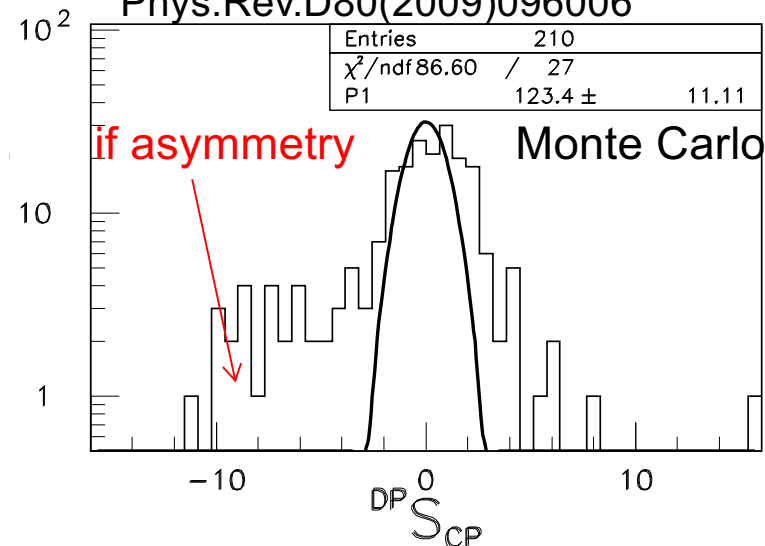
- If no CPV (only statistical fluctuations) then  $S_{CP}$  is **Gaussian** distribution ( $\mu=0, \sigma=1$ )

- The  $\chi^2 = \sum S_{CP}^i{}^2$  test is calculated to obtain **p-value** for the null hypothesis (no CPV) to test if  $E_c^+$  and  $E_c^-$  distributions are statistically compatible

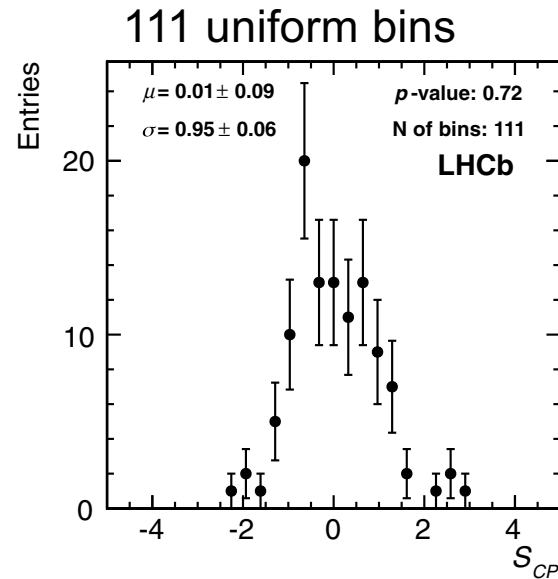
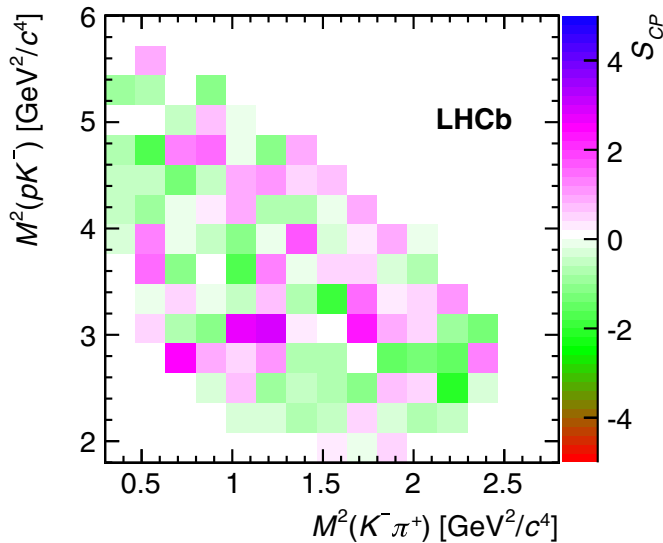
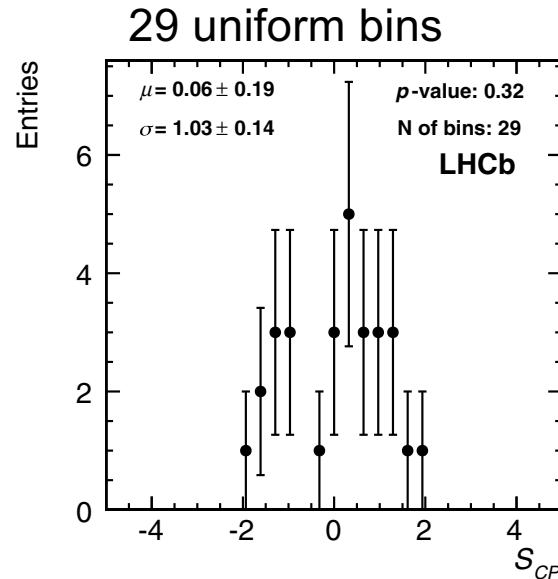
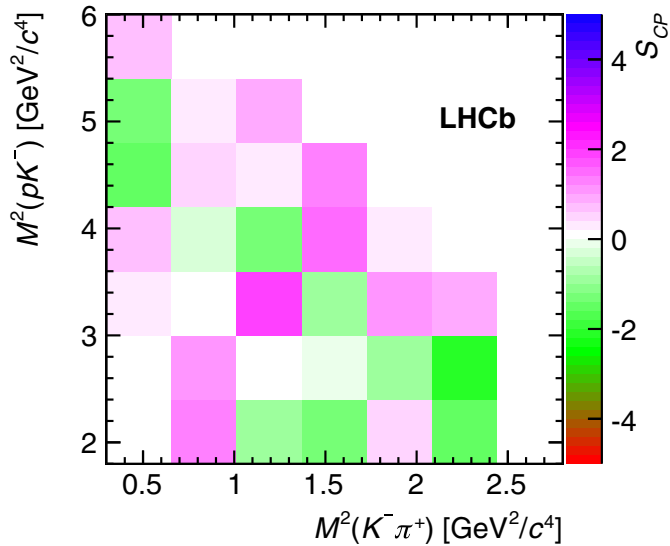
**p-value  $\ll 1$  in case of CPV**



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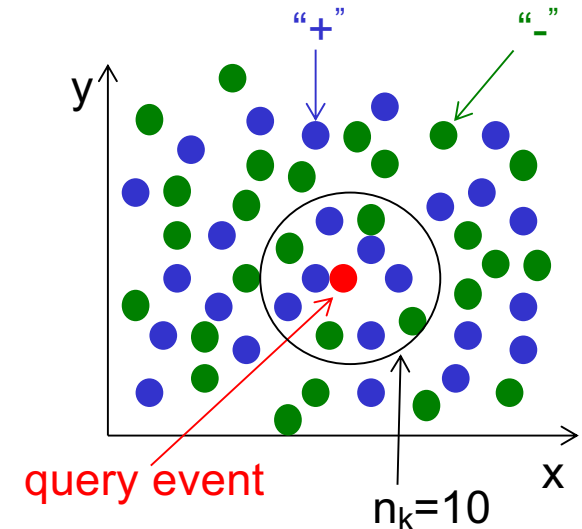
- Uniform and adaptive binning schemes with different bin numbers are tested
- The  $S_{CP}$  distributions agree with Gaussian
- The measured p-values are greater than 32%
- Results are consistent with no observation of  $CP$  asymmetry

- More difficult to use but can be more sensitive for small statistics
- To compare “+” and “-” a **test statistic T** is defined, which is based on the **counting particles with the same sign** to each event for a given number of the nearest neighbour events

$$T = \frac{1}{n_k(n_+ + n_-)} \sum_{i=1}^{n_+ + n_-} \sum_{k=1}^{n_k} I(i, k)$$

$I(i, k) = 1$  if  $i^{\text{th}}$  event and its  $k^{\text{th}}$  nearest neighbour have the **same charge** (+ + , - -)

$I(i, k) = 0$  if pair has **opposite charge** (+ -)



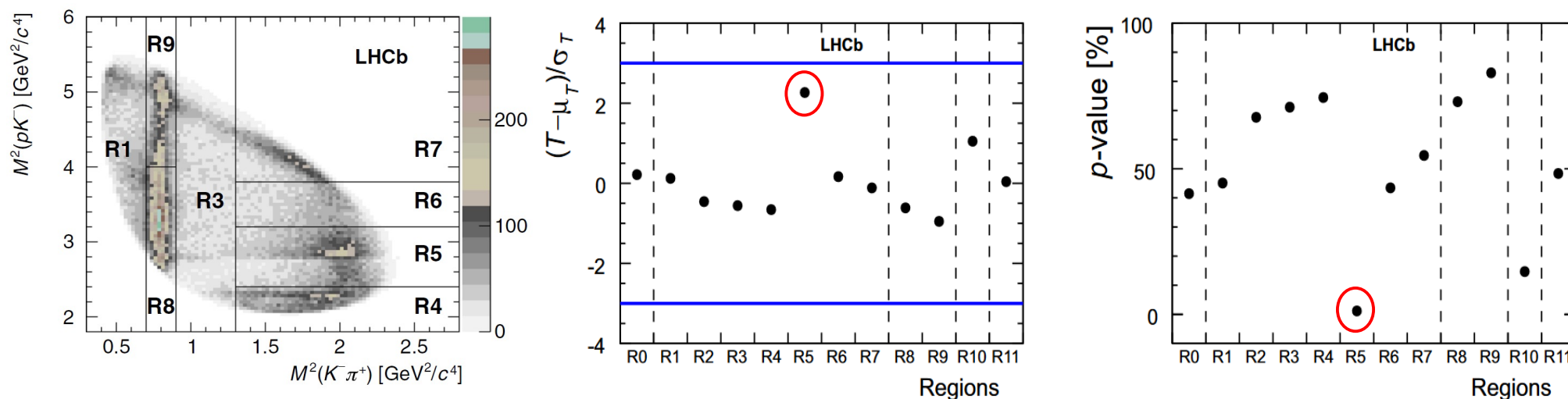
- T is the mean fraction of like pairs in the pooled sample of the two datasets
- The expected distribution can be calculated using mean  $\mu_T$  and variance  $\sigma_T$

$$\mu_T = \frac{n_+(n_+ - 1) + n_-(n_- - 1)}{n(n - 1)}$$

$$\lim_{n, n_k, D \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_T^2 = \frac{1}{nn_k} \left( \frac{n_+ n_-}{n^2} + 4 \frac{n_+^2 n_-^2}{n^4} \right)$$

- Data collected in Run 1,  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and 8 TeV,  $L \sim 3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- The k-nearest neighbour method is used in regions of the Dalitz plot

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- Results are consistent with  $CP$  symmetry but in one region of the Dalitz plot the local effect corresponds to  $2.7\sigma$
- To be continued with Run 2 data

- The  $\Lambda_c^+$  candidates are reconstructed from  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \mu^- X$  decays

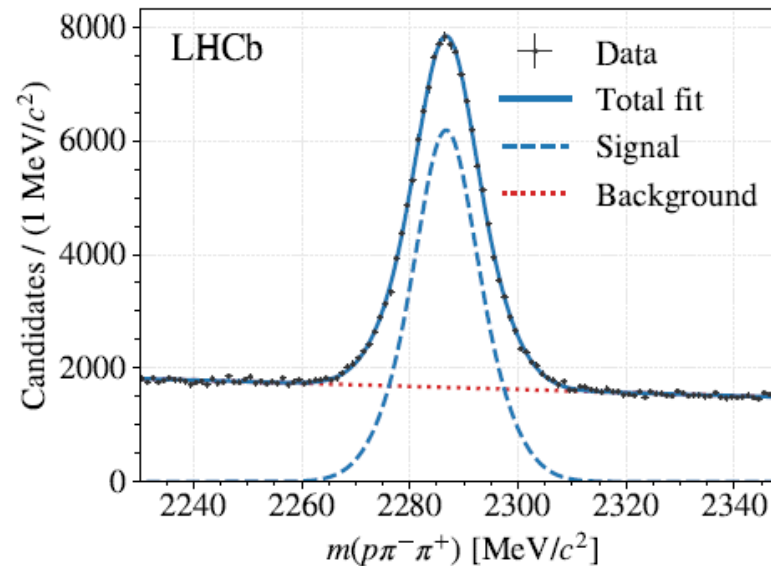
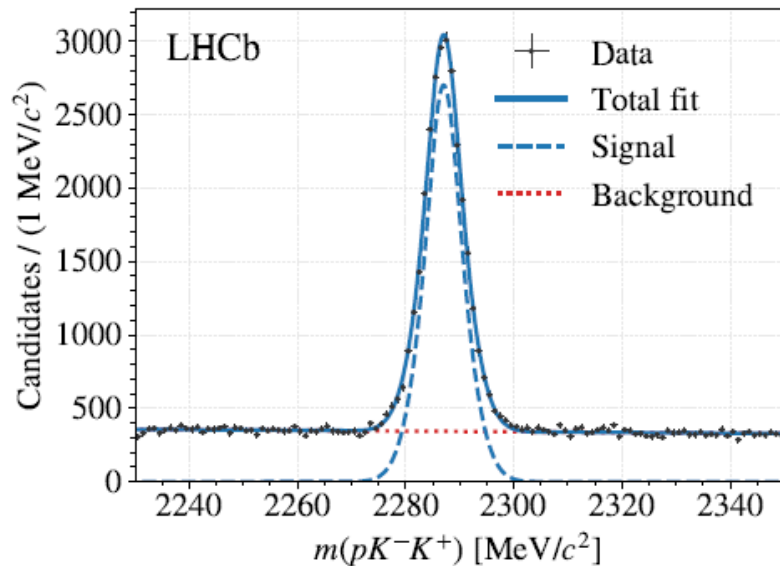
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$$A_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(f) - \Gamma(\bar{f})}{\Gamma(f) + \Gamma(\bar{f})}, \quad A_{raw} = \frac{N(f\mu^-) - N(\bar{f}\mu^+)}{N(f\mu^-) + N(\bar{f}\mu^+)}$$

$$A_{raw}(f) = A_{CP}(f) + A_P^{\Lambda_b^0}(f\mu) + A_D^\mu(\mu) + A_D^f(f)$$

- Kinematics of the  $pK^-K^+$  and  $p\pi^-\pi^+$  are equal and data are weighted

$$\Delta A_{CP}^{wgt} = A_{CP}(pK^-K^+) - A_{CP}^{wgt}(p\pi^-\pi^+) \approx A_{raw}(pK^-K^+) - A_{raw}^{wgt}(p\pi^-\pi^+)$$



Run 1, 3 fb<sup>-1</sup>

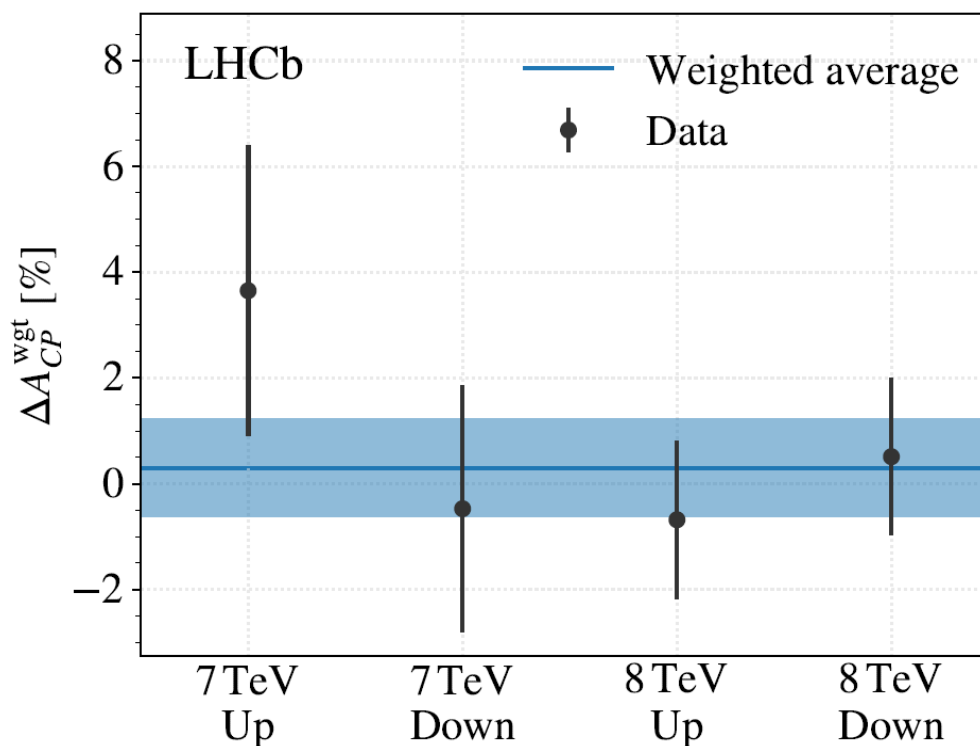
Total yields:  
 ~25k  $pK^-K^+$   
 ~187k  $p\pi^-\pi^+$

$$A_{raw}(pK^-K^+) = (3.72 \pm 0.78)\%$$

$$A_{raw}^{wgt}(p\pi^-\pi^+) = (3.42 \pm 0.47)\%$$

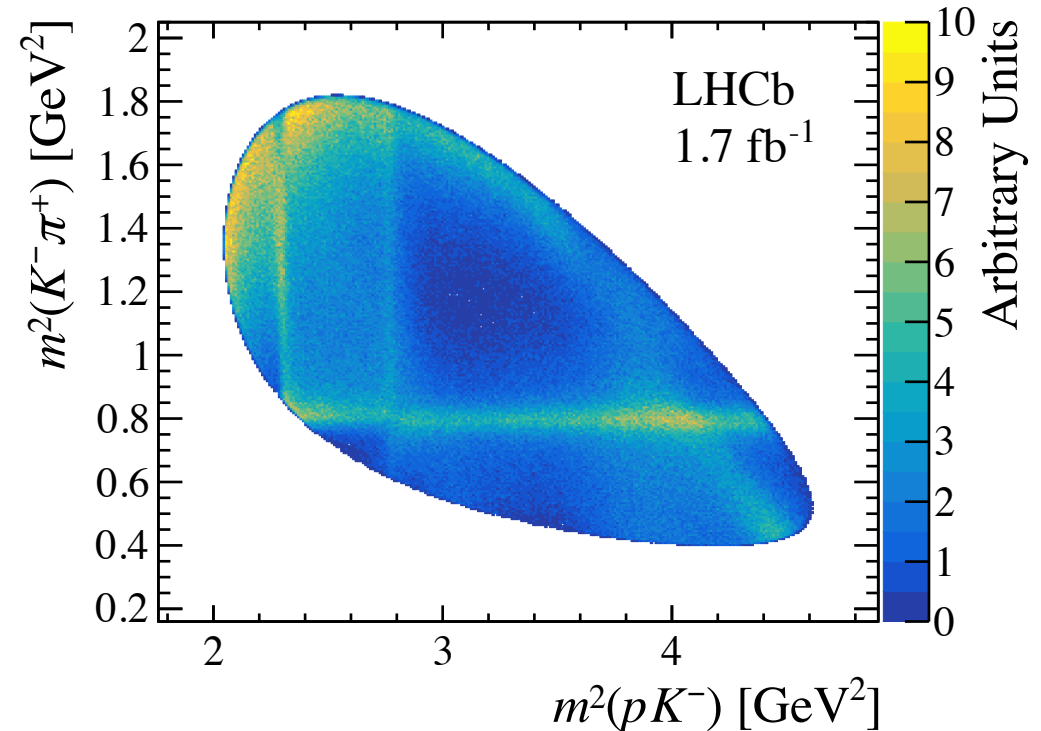
$$\Delta A_{CP}^{wgt} = (0.30 \pm 0.91 \pm 0.61)\%$$

- Central value is measured to be consistent with zero
- The first measurement of the CP violation parameter in  $\Lambda_c^+$  decays

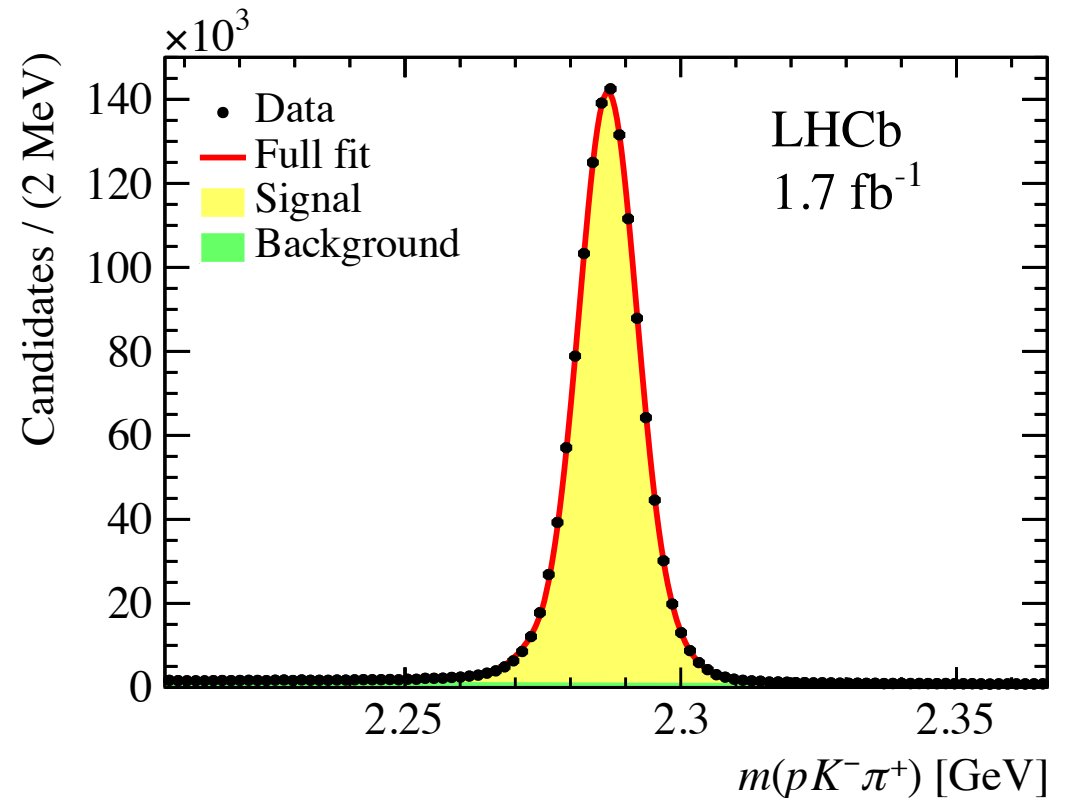




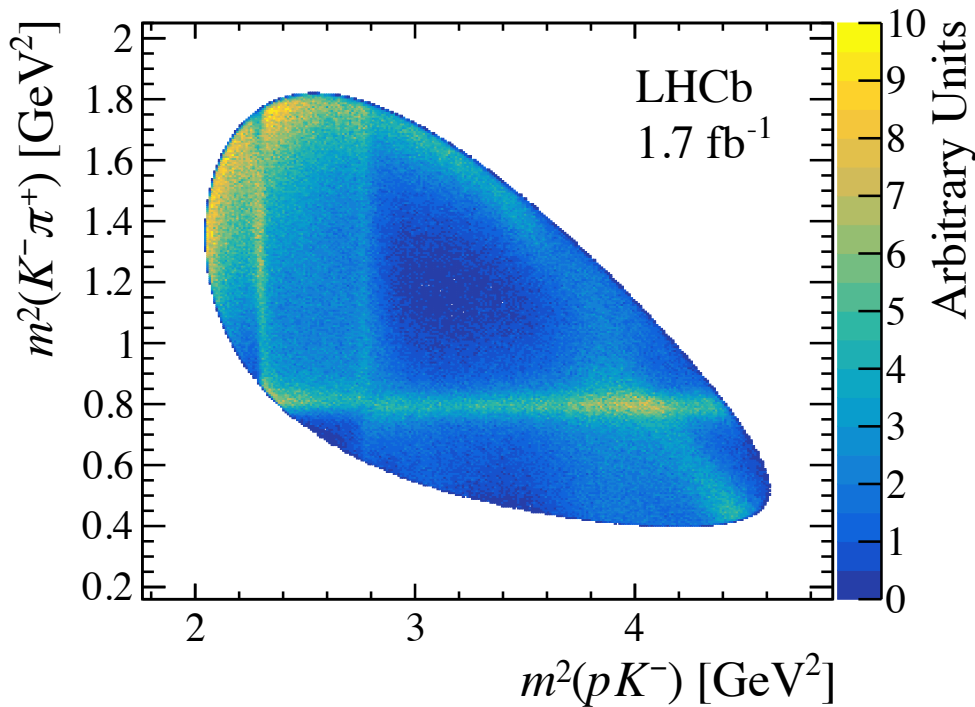
- $\Lambda_c^+$  from semileptonic beauty hadron decays  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ l^- \bar{\nu}$
- $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$  has a **complex resonant structure** with multiple overlapping states in the  $K^-\pi^+$ ,  $pK^-$  and  $p\pi^+$  systems
- A full amplitude analysis determines the composition of the decay amplitude
- The knowledge of the resonant structure is **useful in searches for CP symmetry violation**, which is still unobserved in baryon decays



- LHCb 2016:  $\sim 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- The signal region chosen within 15 MeV of the known  $\Lambda_c^+$  mass, containing about 95% of the signal candidates
- $\sim 400\,000$  candidates
- The fraction of background in the signal region is 1.69%



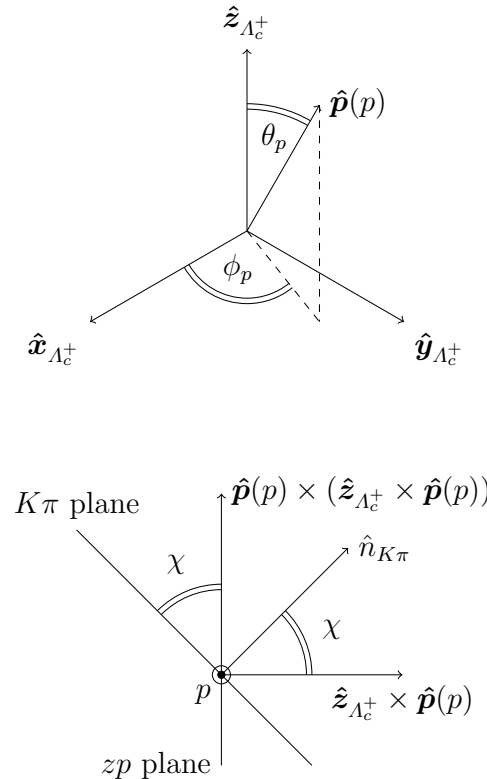
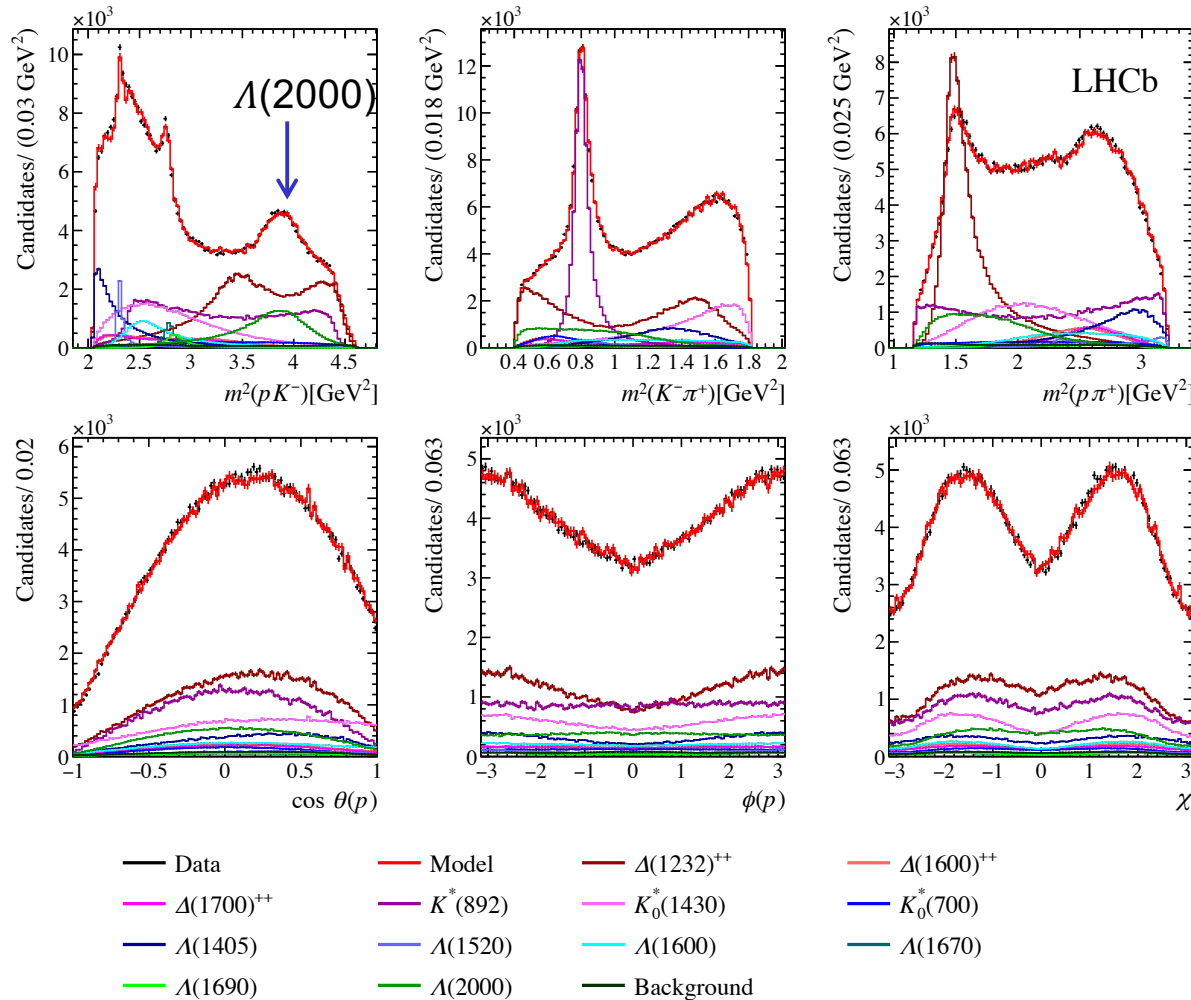
The Dalitz plot displays a rich structure with resonant contributions from all possible pairs of final state particles:  $\Lambda \rightarrow pK^-$ ,  $K^* \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$ ,  $\Delta^{++} \rightarrow p\pi^+$



Resonance	$J^P$	Mass ( MeV)	Width ( MeV)
$\Lambda(1405)$	$1/2^-$	1405.1	50.5
$\Lambda(1520)$	$3/2^-$	1515 – 1523	10 – 20
$\Lambda(1600)$	$1/2^+$	1630	250
$\Lambda(1670)$	$1/2^-$	1670	30
$\Lambda(1690)$	$3/2^-$	1690	70
$\Lambda(2000)$	$1/2^-$	1900 – 2100	20 – 400
$\Delta(1232)^{++}$	$3/2^+$	1232	117
$\Delta(1600)^{++}$	$3/2^+$	1640	300
$\Delta(1700)^{++}$	$3/2^-$	1690	380
$K_0^*(700)$	$0^+$	824	478
$K^*(892)$	$1^-$	895.5	47.3
$K_0^*(1430)$	$0^+$	1375	190

12 resonances

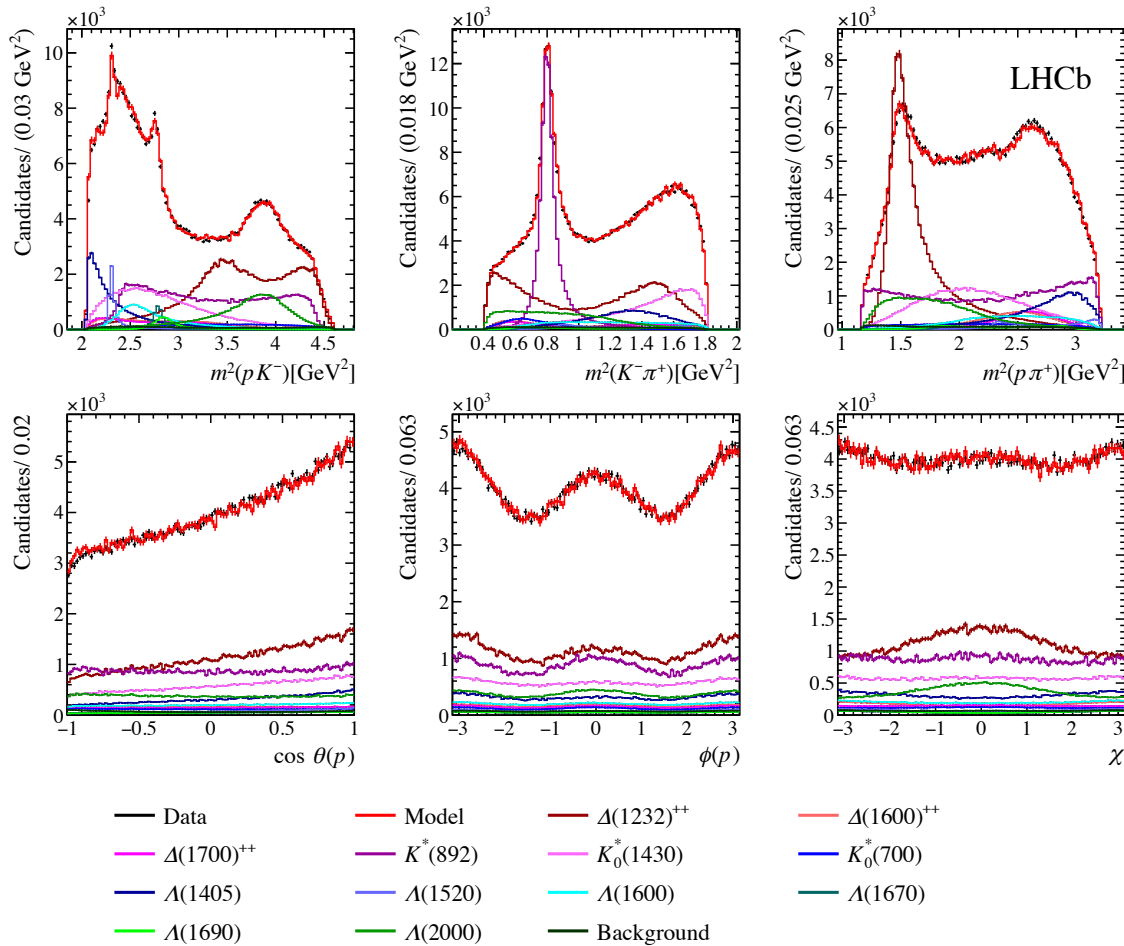
The amplitude model is written in the helicity formalism



A significant contribution from a resonant in  $m(pK) \sim 2\text{GeV}$  region ( $\Lambda(2000)$ ), where clear resonances have not been previously been reported

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The  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$  amplitude model can be employed to measure the polarization of the  $\Lambda_c^+$  baryon



A large averaged polarization is measured 65% with absolute uncertainty of order 1% with dominating transverse component 60% and a smaller longitudinal component -25%

Including polarization component in the laboratory

The averaged squared matrix element:

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$$|\mathcal{M}(\phi, \theta, \chi, \kappa)|^2 = I_0(\kappa) \left( 1 + \sum_{i,j} P_i R_{ij}(\phi, \theta, \chi) \alpha_j(\kappa) \right)$$

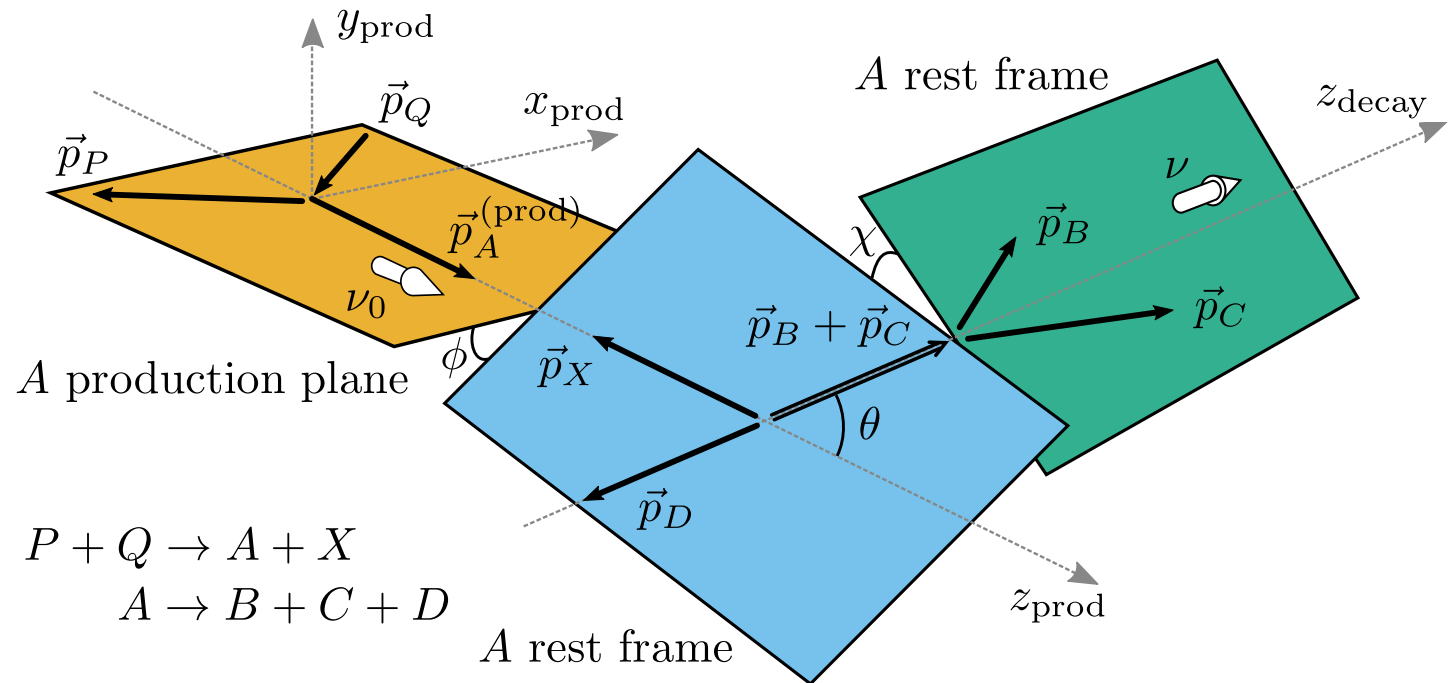
$I_0(\kappa)$  – the unpolarized intensity

$\kappa$  denotes the kinematic variables which the aligned reaction amplitude depends on

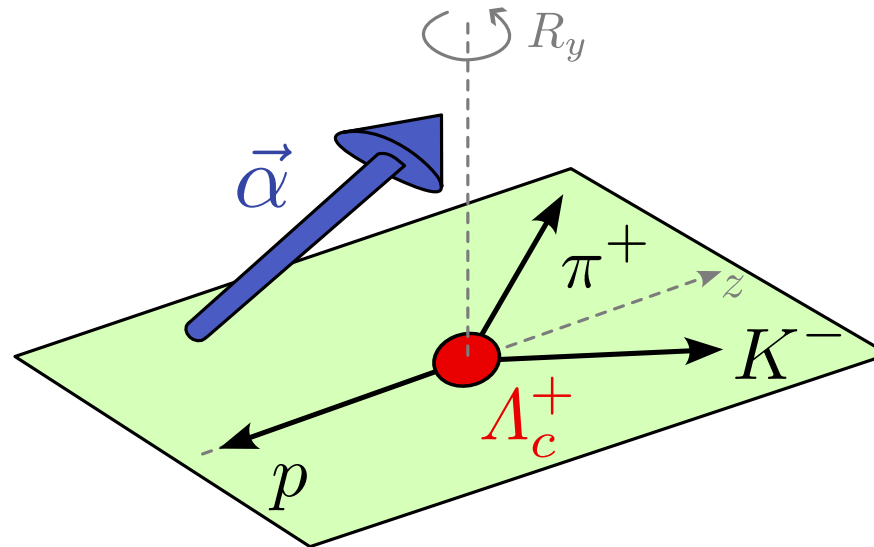
$P$  – polarization

$R_{ij}(\phi, \theta, \chi)$  – three-dimensional rotation matrix implementing the Euler transformation to a physical vector that describe the orientation of the decay products in space

$\alpha_j(\kappa)$  polarimeter vector

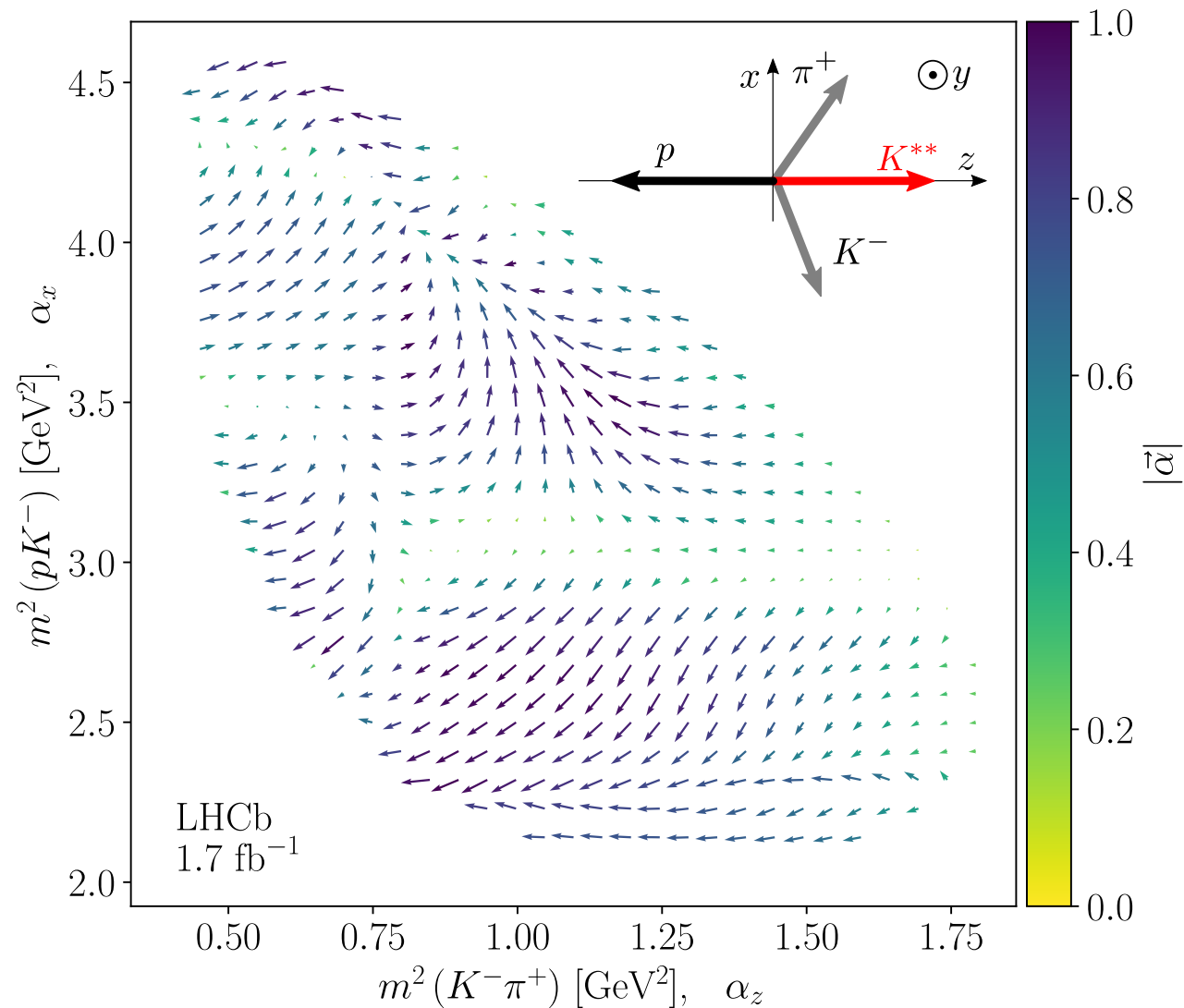


- $\vec{\alpha}$  – polarimeter vector with respect to the decay plane  
it gives a model-agnostic representation for polarization dependence of the decay rate



$R_y$  is alignment ratio: who is z axis (the sum of the pion and kaon momenta defines the positive z direction)

- The length of the polarimeter vector (shown by the color) changes from point to point
- It is greater than 0.5 for most of the kinematic domain
- The structures are driven by resonances in different subsystems and their interferences
- The  $\bar{\alpha}$  field gives information needed to determine the  $\Lambda_c^+$  polarization in future analyses





- Charm physics measurements are providing a wealth of interesting results over the last few years
- So far,  $CP$  violation in the charm sector is confirmed in mesons only
- In all other charm decays, results are consistent with  $CP$  symmetry
  - statistical uncertainties dominate
  - increasing data statistics will allow to test the SM in more details
- We are running Run 3
- The goal is to reach  $\sim 23 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (Run 3) and  $\sim 50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (Run 4) (Run 1+2:  $\sim 9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  )



## Back up

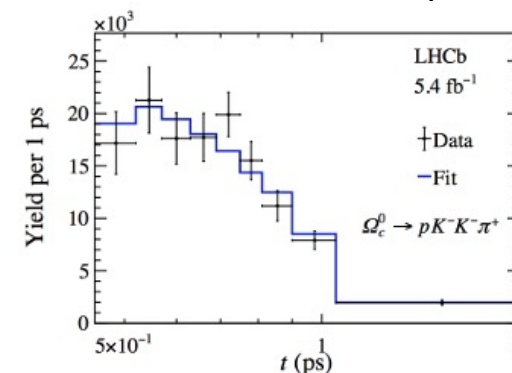
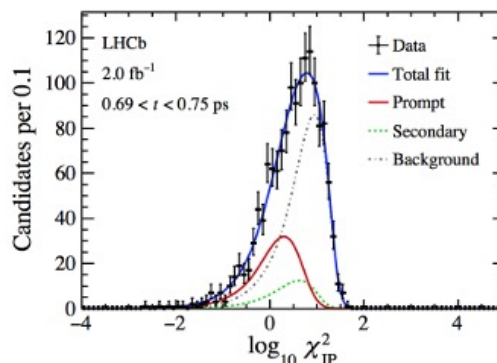
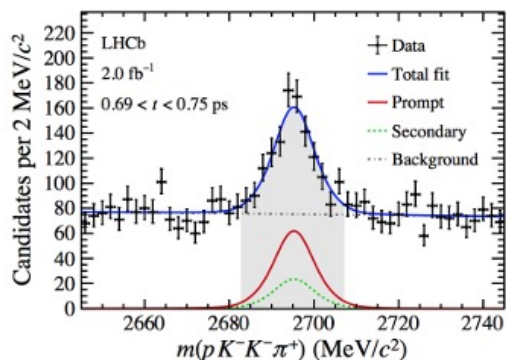


LHCb 2016-2018 dataset at 13TeV and 5.4 fb<sup>-1</sup> (Prompt production)

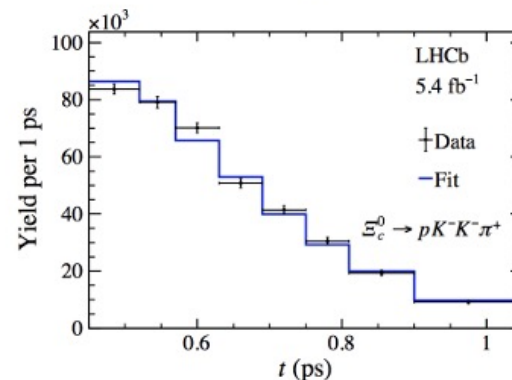
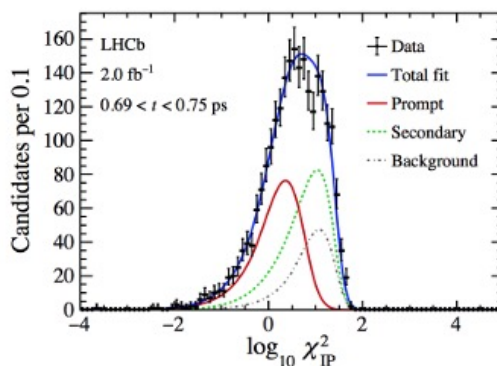
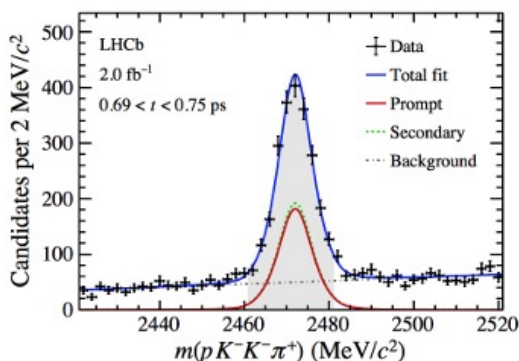
Two-dimensional unbinned extended maximum likelihood fits are performed to the mass and log  $\chi^2$  distributions

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$\Omega_c^0$ :



$\Xi_c^0$ :



$$\tau_{\Omega_c^0} = 276.5 \pm 13.4 \pm 4.4 \pm 0.7 \text{ fs.}$$

$$\tau_{\Xi_c^0} = 148.0 \pm 2.3 \pm 2.2 \pm 0.2 \text{ fs}$$

$$\tau_{\Xi_c^+} > \tau_{\Omega_c^0} > \tau_{\Lambda_c^+} > \tau_{\Xi_c^0}$$

The results confirm the **charmed-hadron lifetime hierarchy**, improve the precision of the previous  $\Omega_c$  lifetime by a factor of two