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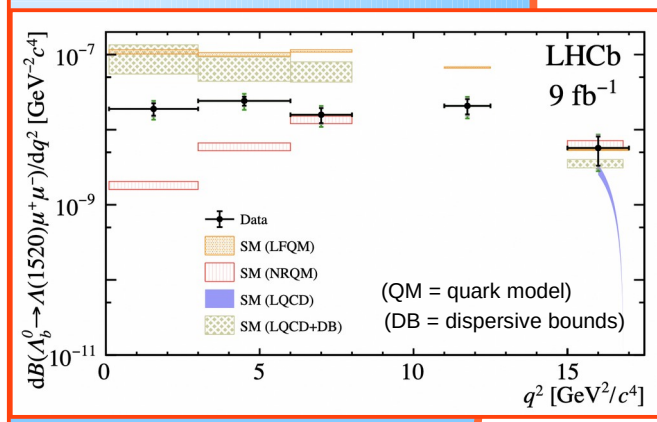
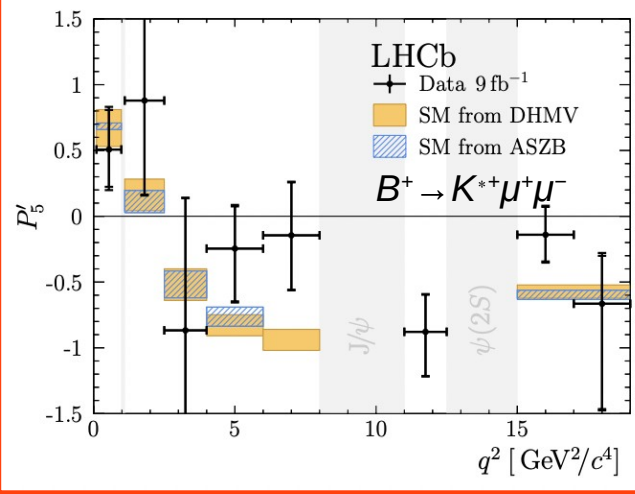
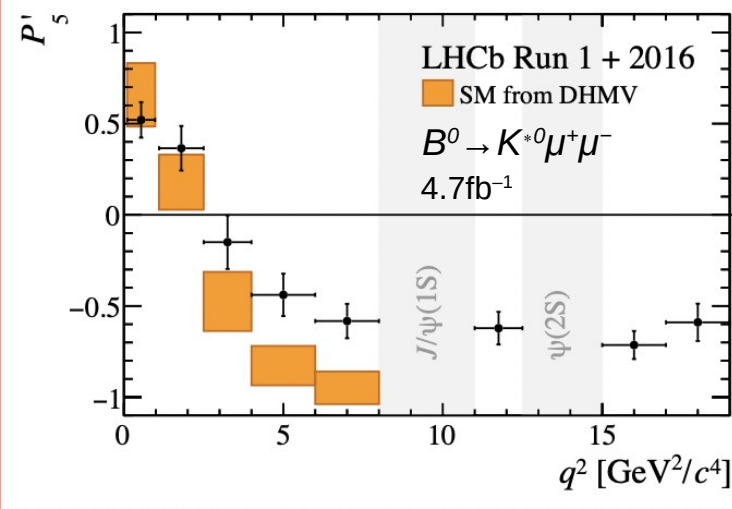
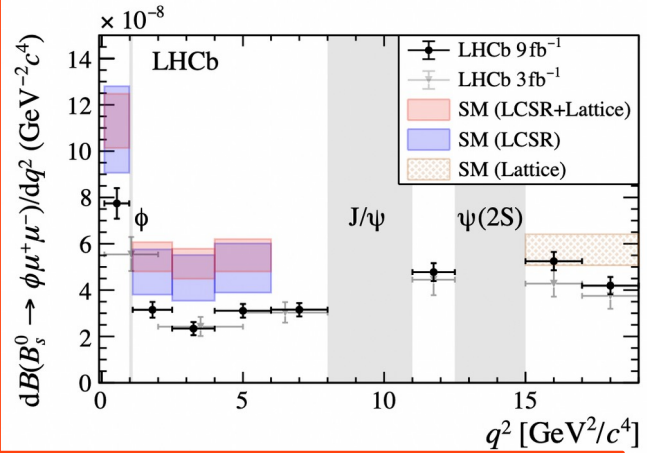
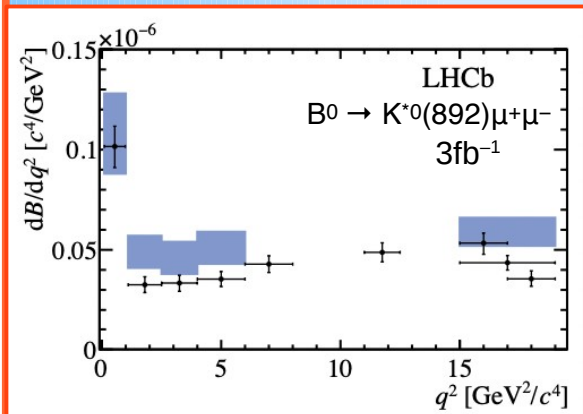
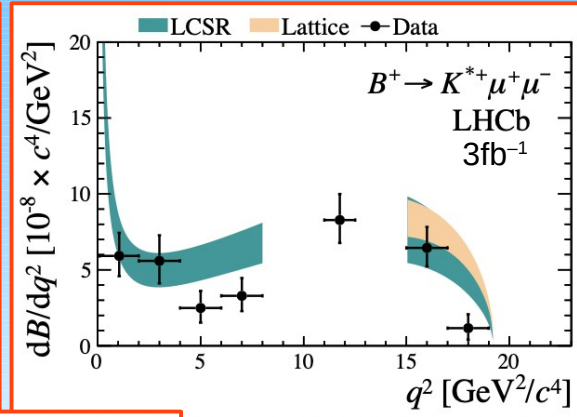
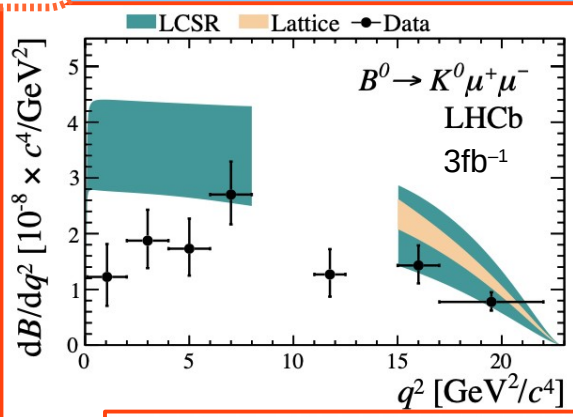
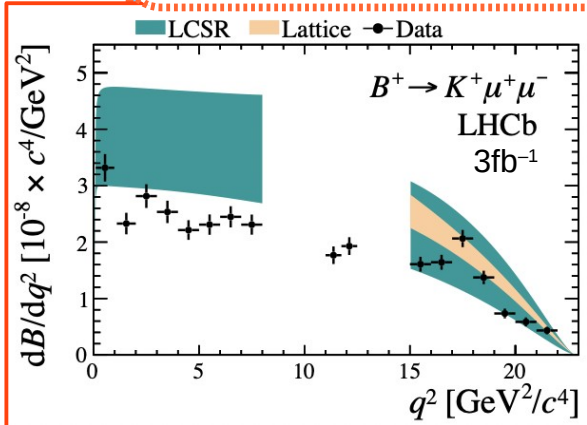
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*A novel, short-term way to cross-check  
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  - in a different, not well tested,  $q^2$  region
  - with a completely different exp approach

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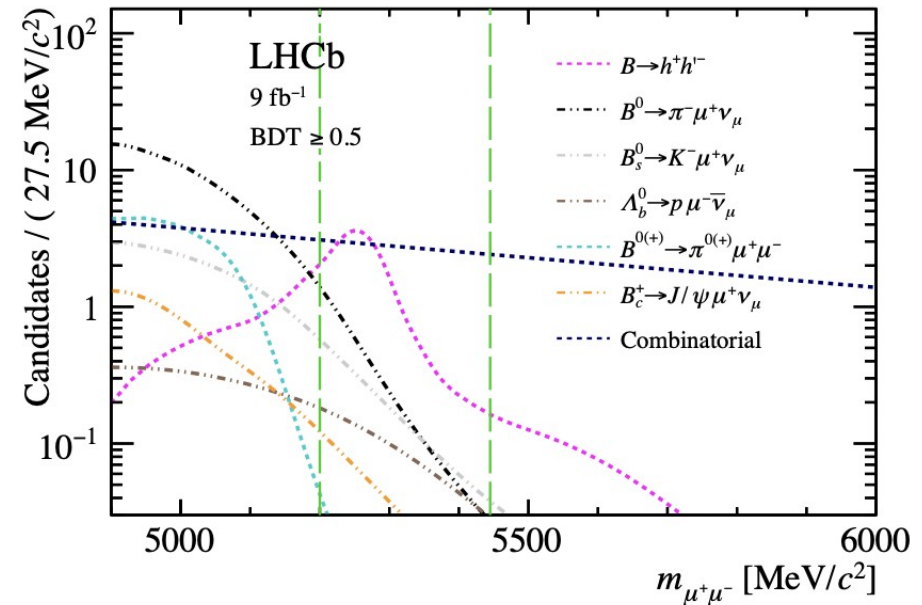
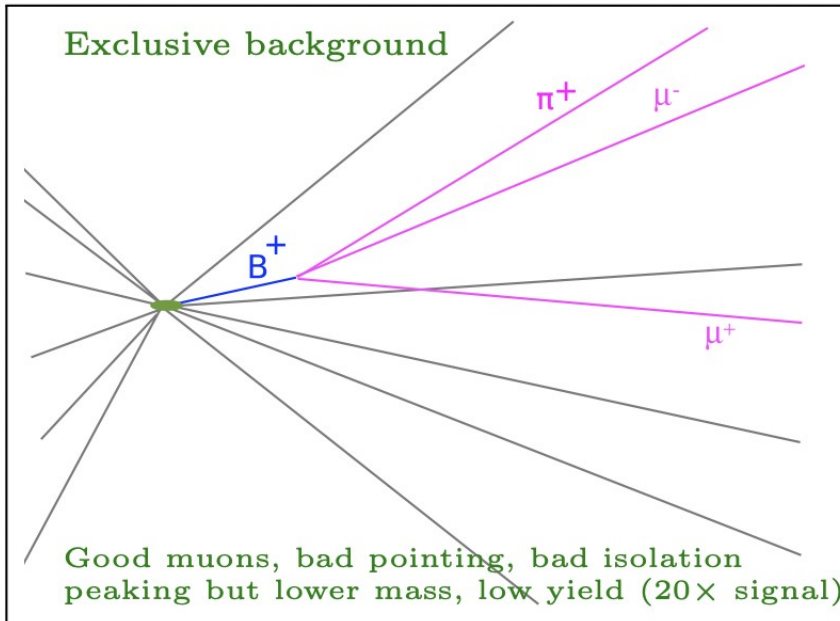
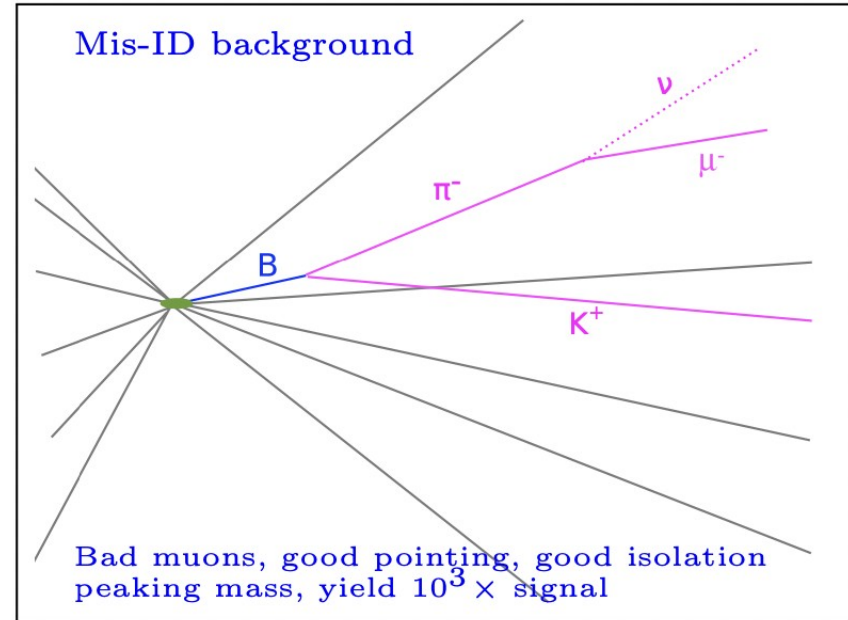
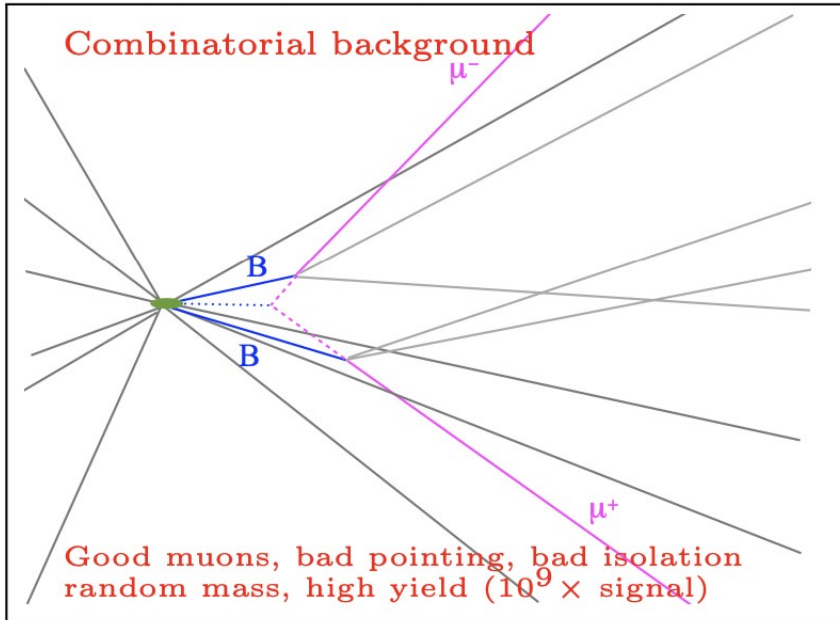
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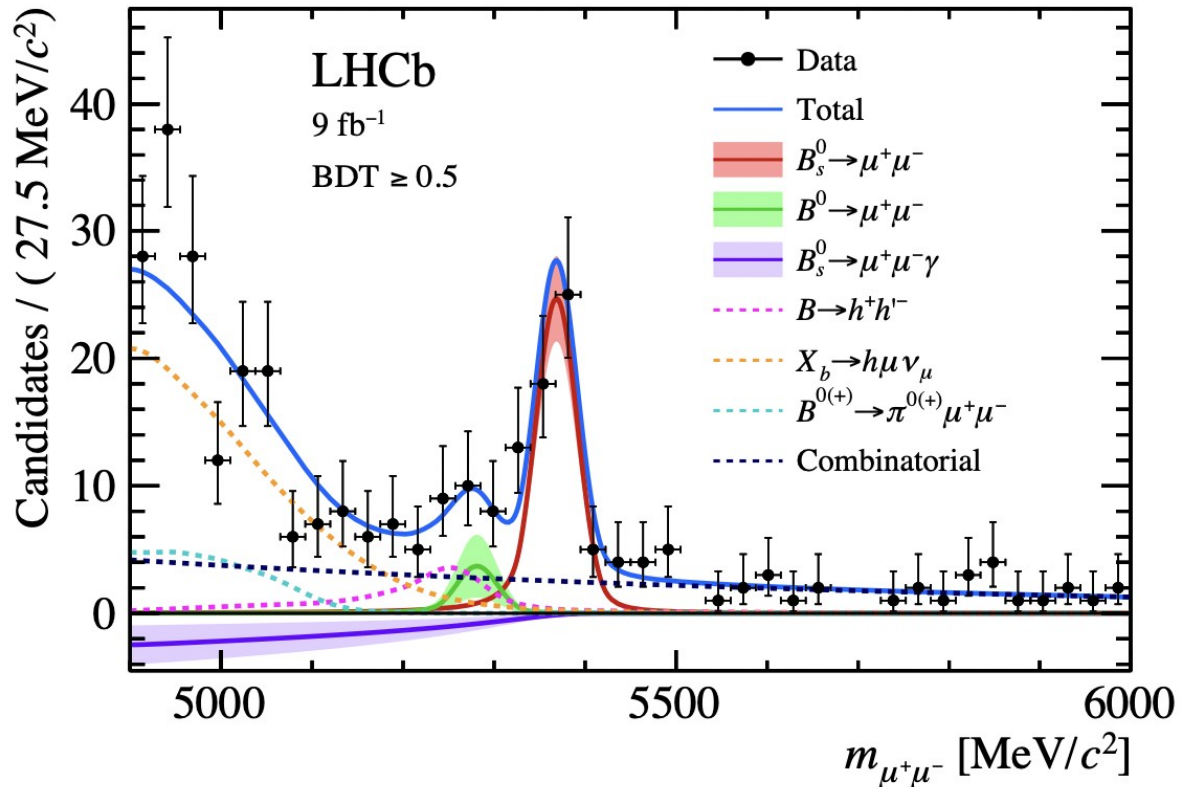
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# Backgrounds

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[LHCb-PAPER-2021-007] [LHCb-PAPER-2021-008]



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No significant signal for  $B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  and  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$ , upper limits at 95%

First world limit on  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$  decay

**The elephant in the room (FFs)**



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**FFs at low  $q^2$**

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*i.e.  $\phi$  region gives 97.6% of the BR*

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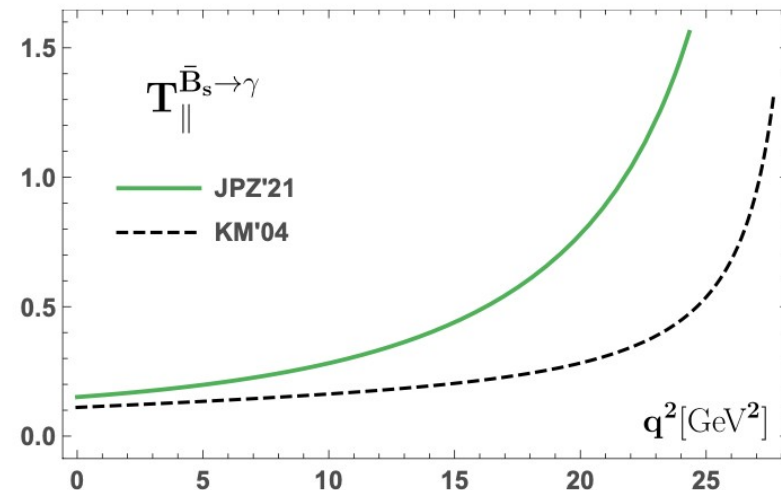
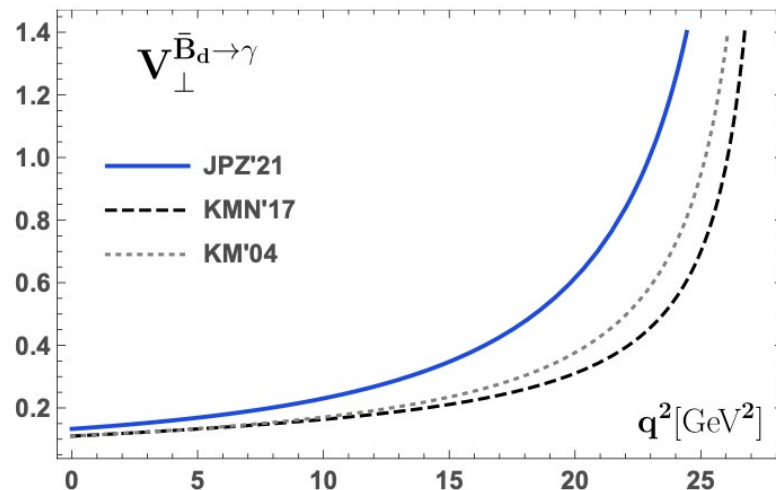
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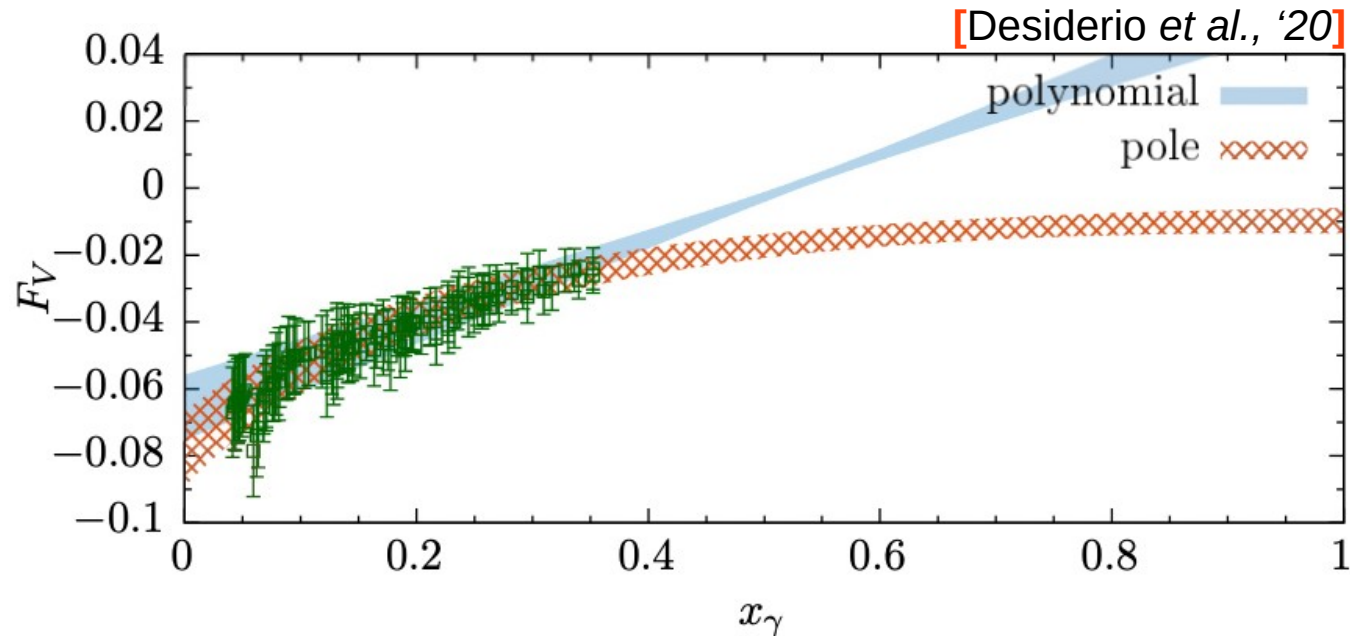
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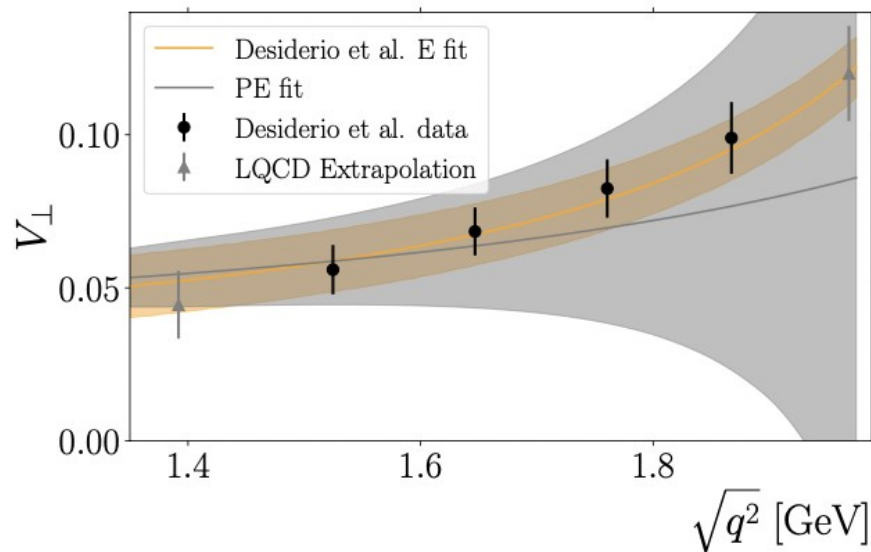
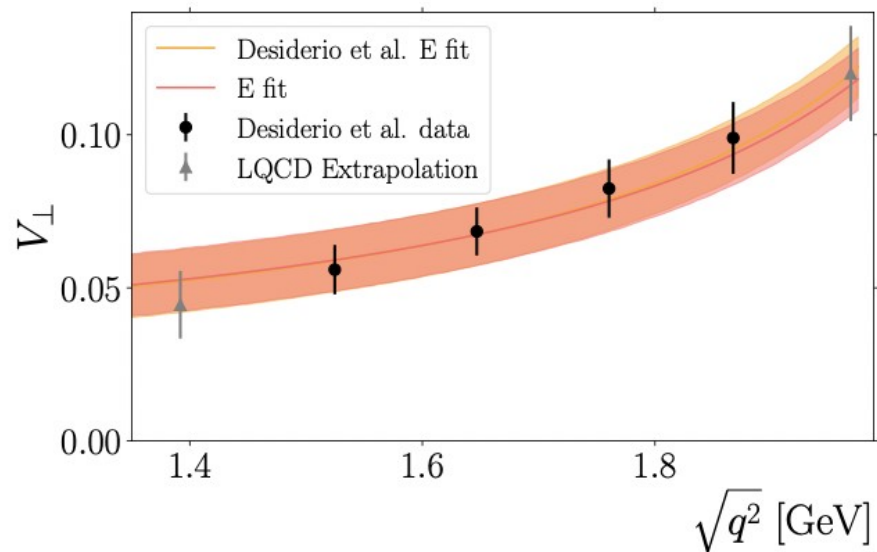
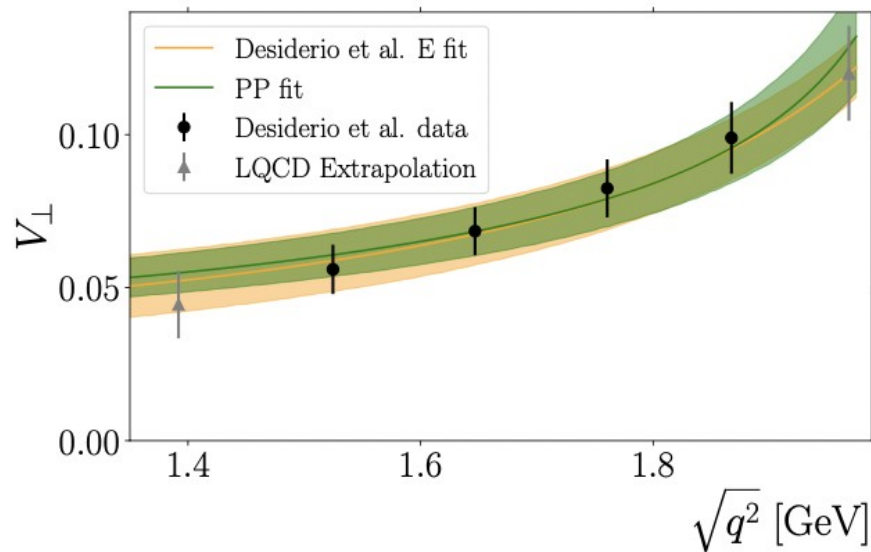
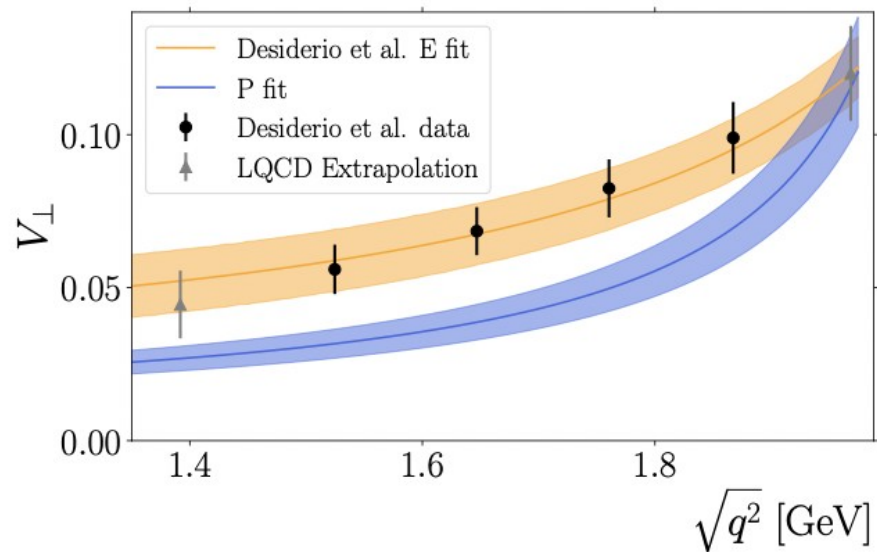
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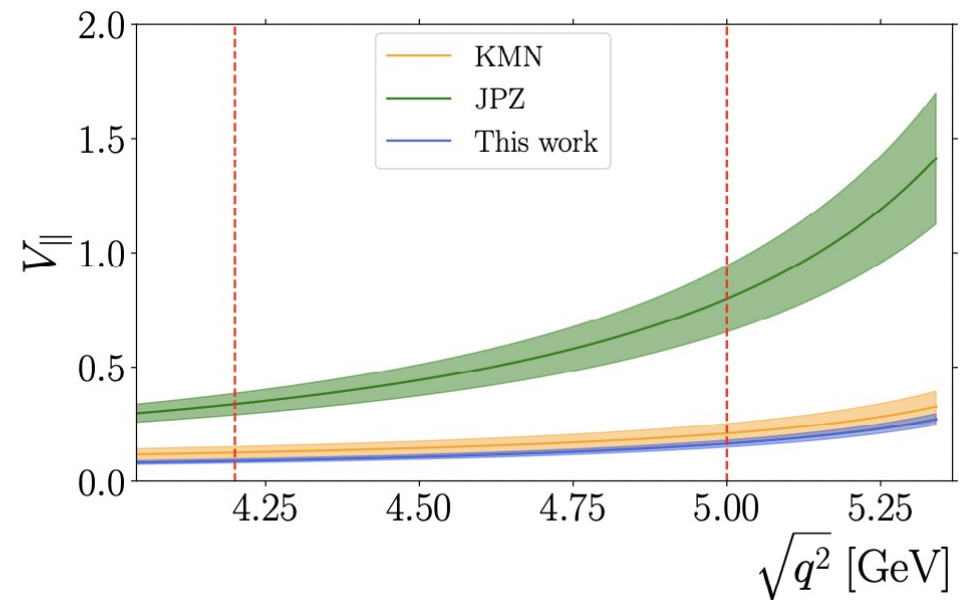
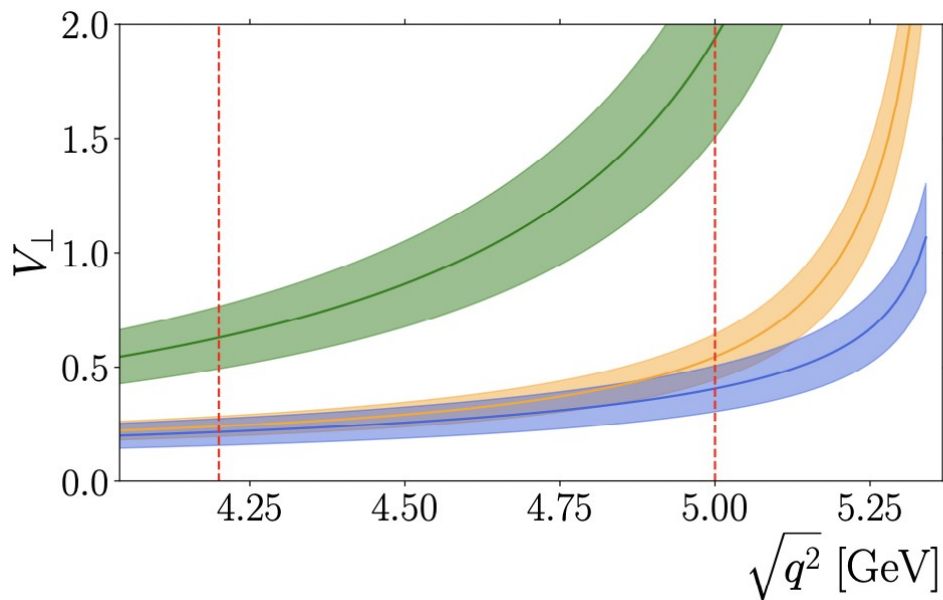
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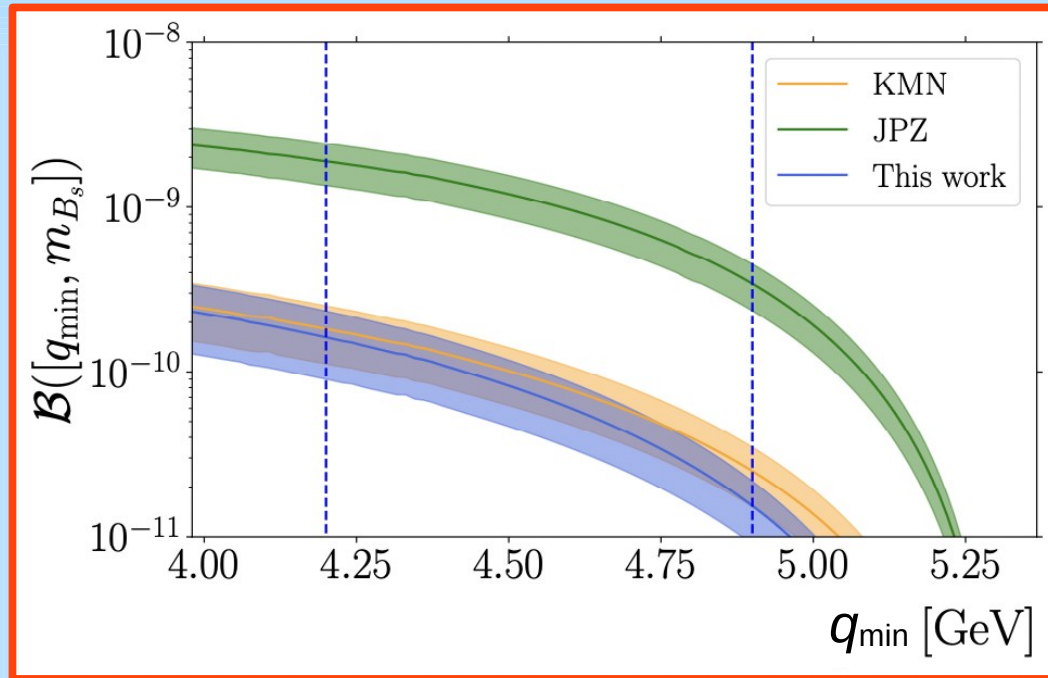
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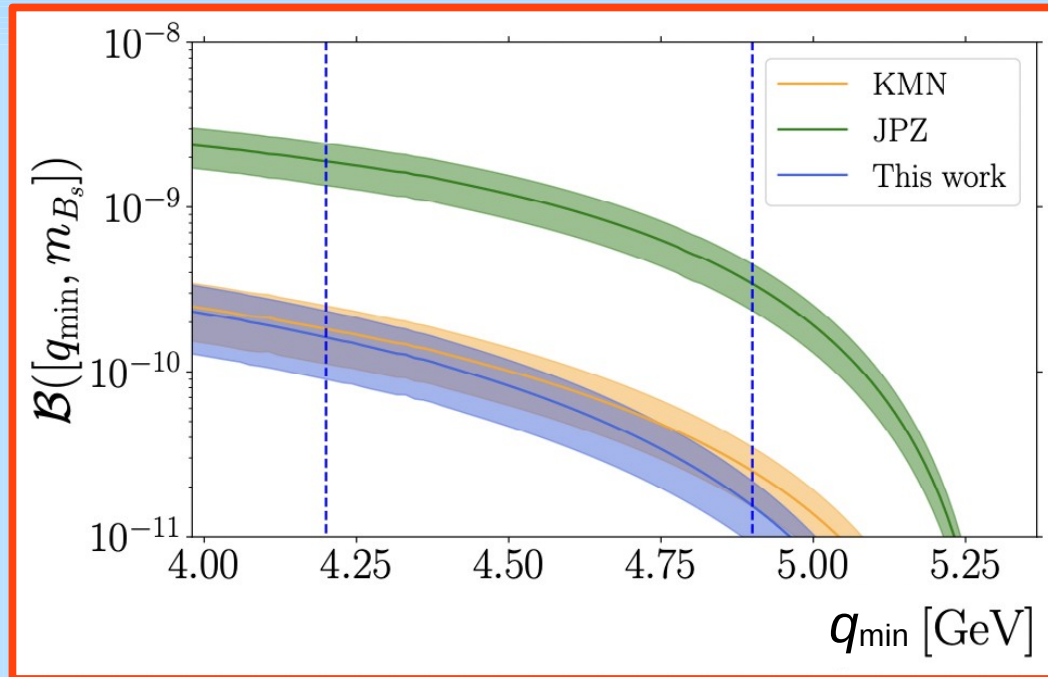
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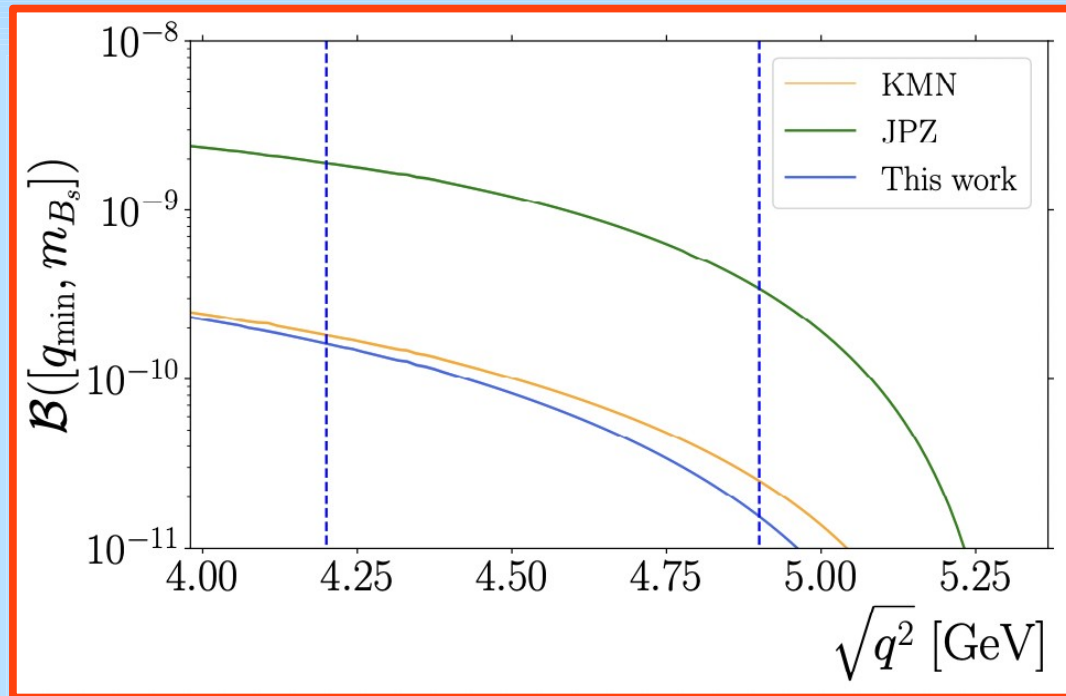


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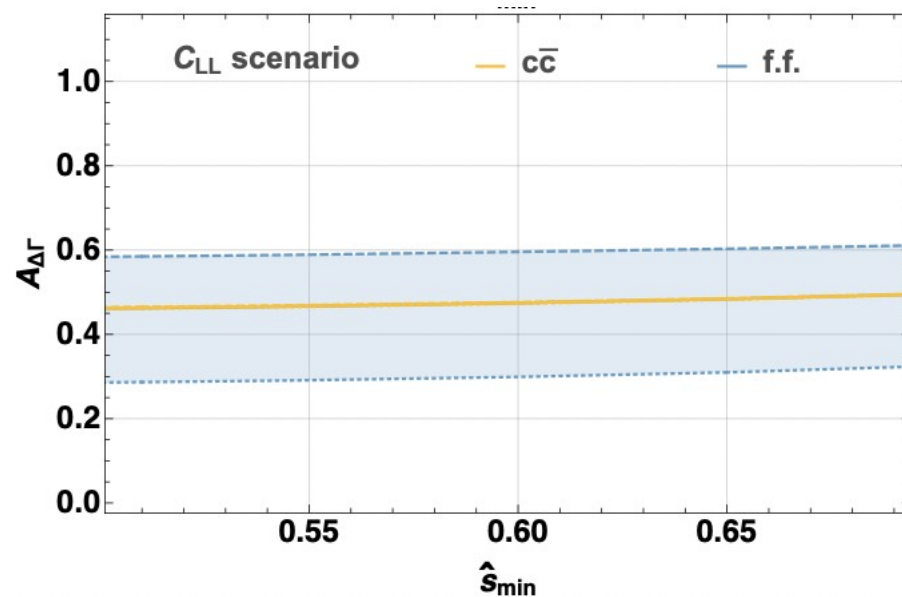
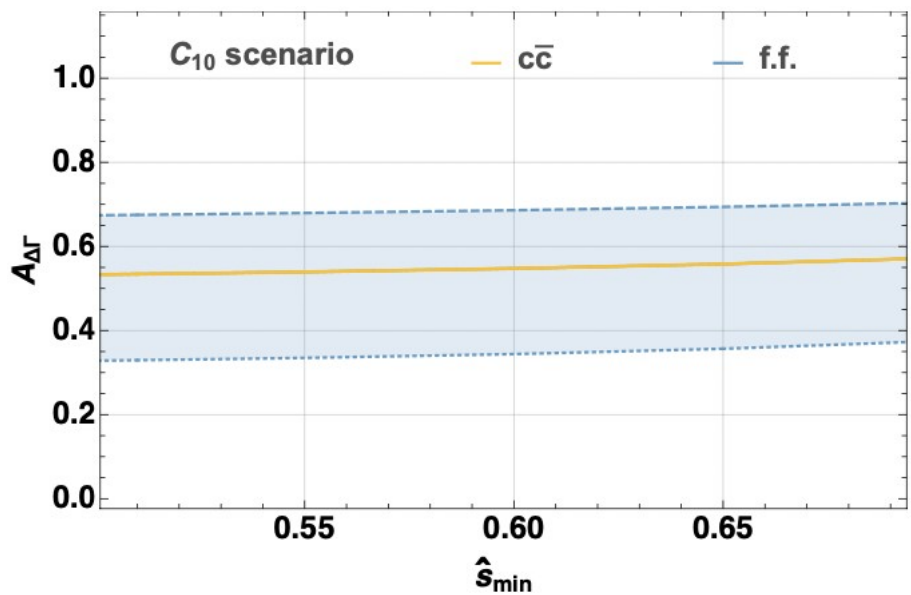
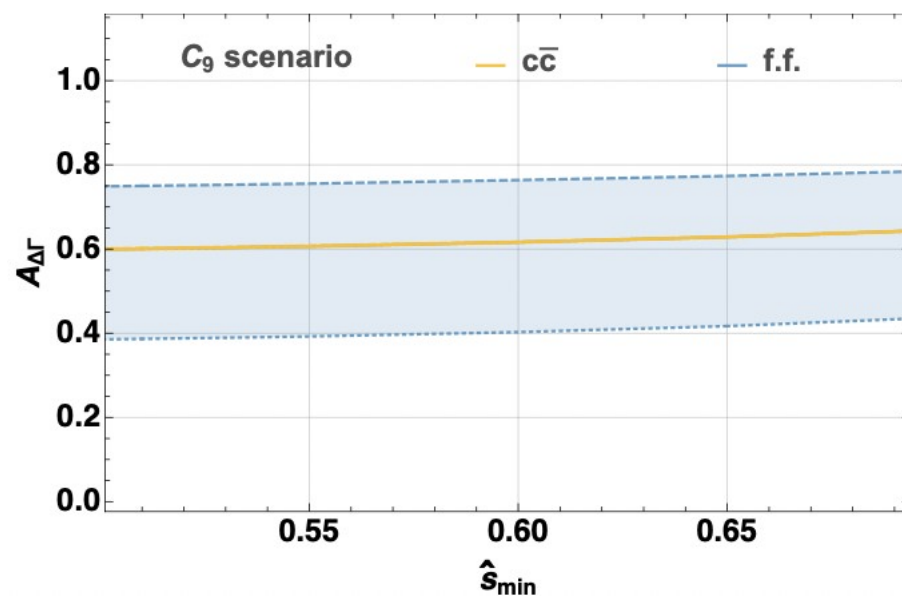
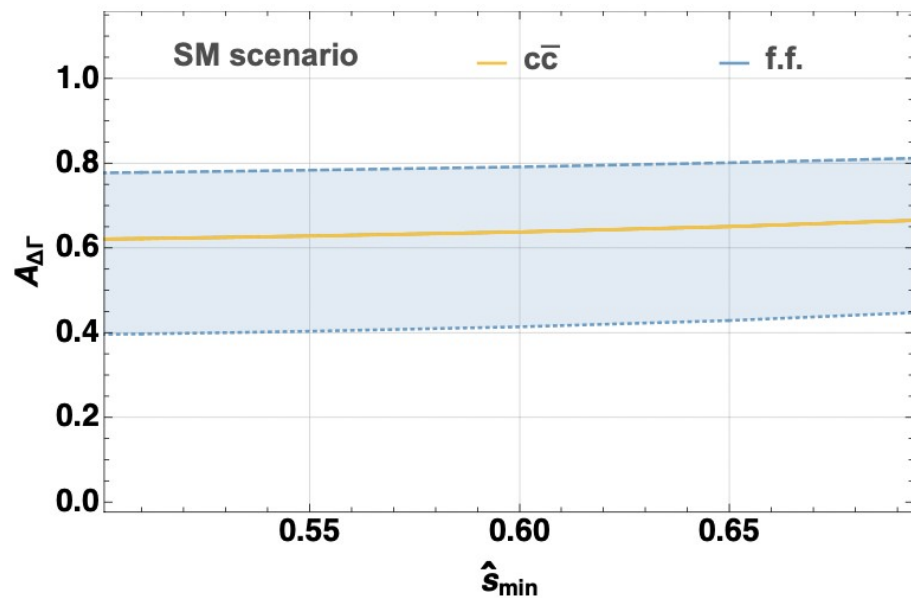
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- Parameterize the effect most generally (e.g. discussion in [Lyon, Zwicky, '14])

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- $|\eta_V| \in [1, 3]$  &  $\delta_V \in [0, 2\pi)$  (uniformly and independently for the 5 resonances)
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- Bottom line: broad  $\bar{c}\bar{c}$  has surprisingly small impact on  $A_{\Delta\Gamma}$

But broad- $\bar{c}\bar{c}$  shift to  $C_9$  typically  $O(5\%)$  – and with random phase



Far from obvious why such a small impact on  $A_{\Delta\Gamma}$

- Closer look (App. D for an analytic understanding)

Cancellation is a conspiracy between

- Complete dominance of contributions quadratic in  $C_9$  and  $C_{10}$
- Multiplying f.f.'s  $F_V, F_A \in \mathbb{R}$
- Broad  $\bar{c}\bar{c}$  can be treated as small modif. of (numerically large)  $C_9$



Ease cancellations between num & den in  $A_{\Delta\Gamma}$

## Radiative leptonic FFs in LQCD

### Large $E_\gamma$

- *The required correlator (weak & e.m. current insertion between a B and the vac) has always the desired large-Euclidean-t behavior*

[Kane, Lehner, Meinel, Soni, '19]

*Note that this is non-trivial – e.g. it doesn't seem to hold if there are hadronic final states*

- *However, the low- $q^2$  spectrum is dominated by resonant contributions (~98% of the BR), that LQCD is unable to capture*

## Amplitude structure

[Beneke-Bobeth-Wang, '20]

- Take the weak operators as  $O_i \equiv J_i^{(l)} \cdot J_i^{(q)}$   
and  $i = 9, 10$  for definiteness (and simplicity)

$$\bar{A} \propto \epsilon_\mu^* \left\{ \sum_i C_i \left[ T_i^{\mu\nu} \langle \ell \bar{\ell} | J_i^{(l)\nu}(0) | 0 \rangle + S_\nu^{(i)} \text{FT}_x \langle \ell \bar{\ell} | T \{ J_{\text{em}}^\mu(x), J_i^{(l)\nu}(0) \} | 0 \rangle \right] \right\}$$

FSR: only  $S_\nu^{(10)} \neq 0$  ( $\propto m_\ell$ )  $\Rightarrow$  tiny



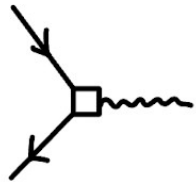
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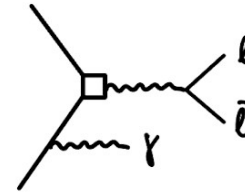
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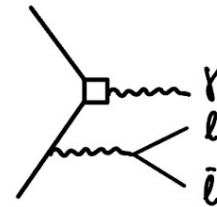


$$T_{7A}^{\mu\nu} :$$



but also

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- $$T_i^{\mu\nu} = T_i^{\mu\nu}(k, q) \propto (g^{\mu\nu} k \cdot q - q^\mu k^\nu) \overbrace{(F_L^{(i)} - F_R^{(i)})} = F_A^{(i)} + i\varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \underbrace{(F_L^{(i)} + F_R^{(i)})}_{= F_V^{(i)}}$$

- For  $E_\gamma \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$  
$$F_R^{(i)} \sim \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{E_\gamma} F_L^{(i)} \Rightarrow F_A^{(i)} \approx F_V^{(i)}$$



## Two-step matching onto SCET

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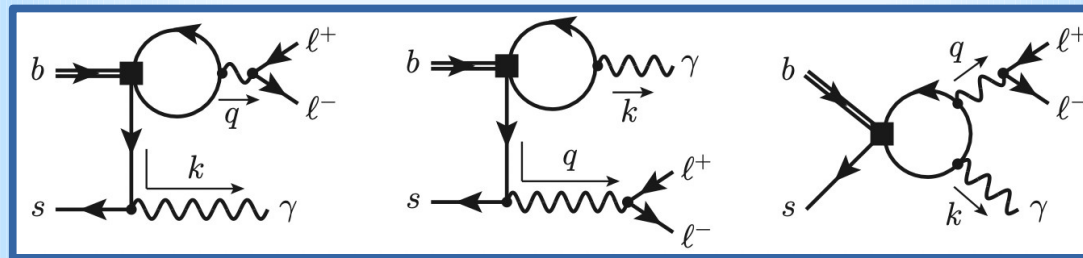
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separation  $x \sim 1/\sqrt{E_\gamma \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}$   
i.e. intermediate propagator is  $hc$

- Decoupling of  $hc$  modes  $O(E_\gamma \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}; m_b \Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$  in SCET<sub>I</sub>  $\rightarrow$  SCET<sub>II</sub>

- *Three sources*
  - *coupling of  $\gamma$  to  $b$  quark*
  - *power corr's to SCET<sub>I</sub> correlator at tree level*
  - *annihilation-type insertions of  $4q$  operators* ➡ *local*



- *Two soft FFs*
  - $\xi(E_\gamma)$  : *computable as in  $B_u \rightarrow \ell \nu \gamma$*  [Beneke-Rohrwild, '11]
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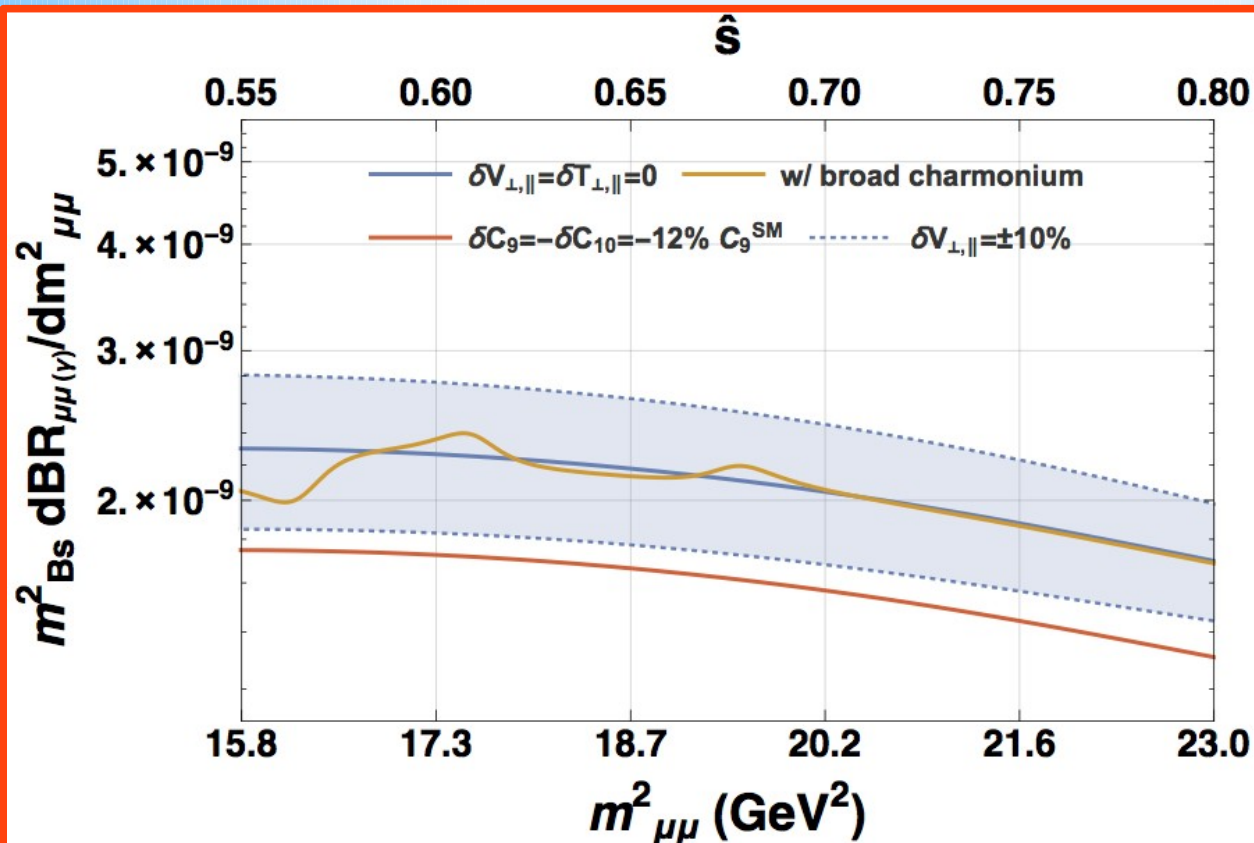
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[Beneke-Bobeth-Wang, '20]

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*of some short-distance contributions*

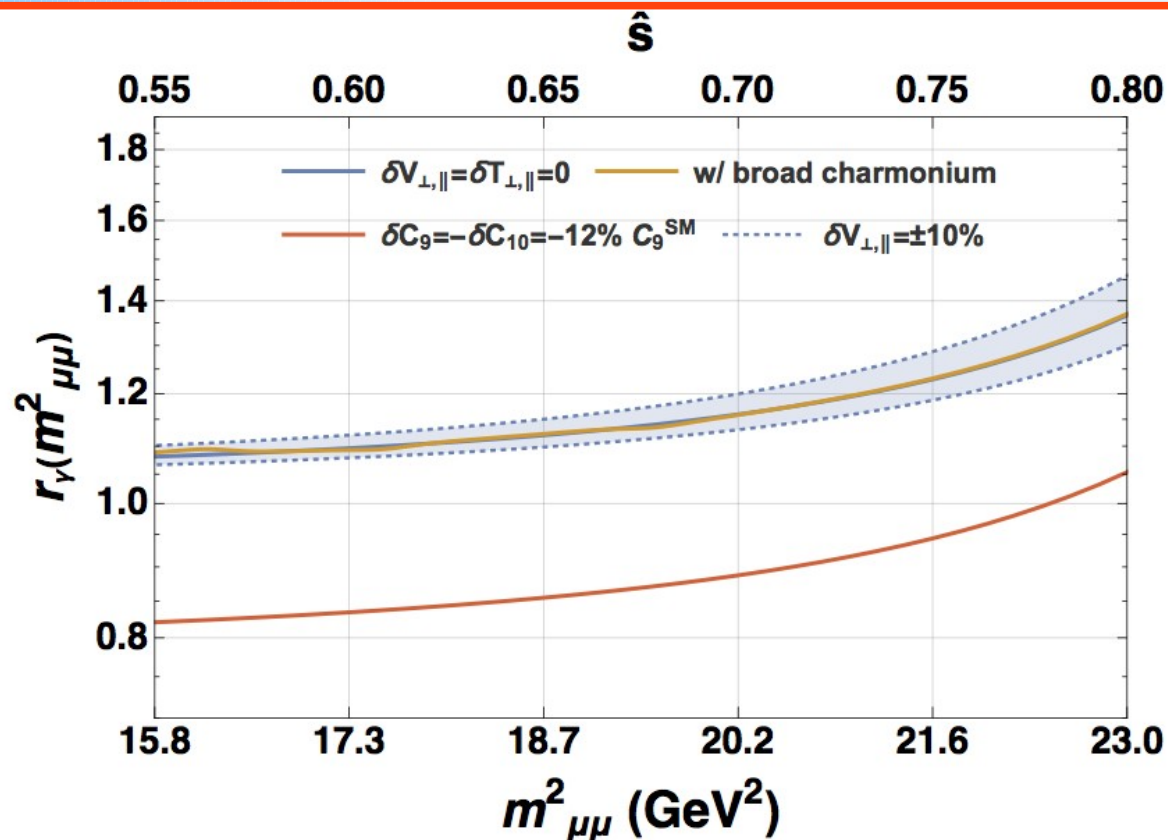
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