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Performance highlights in LHCb

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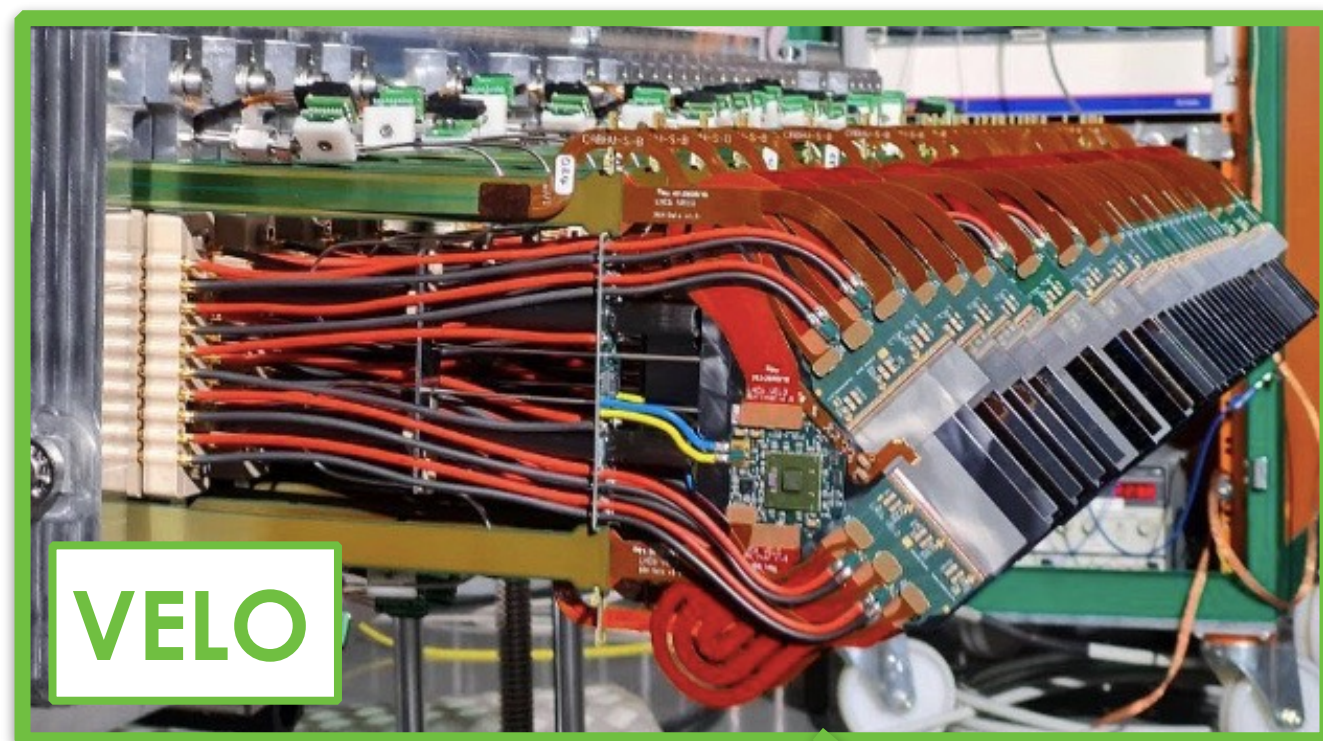
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LHCb Upgrade at a glance

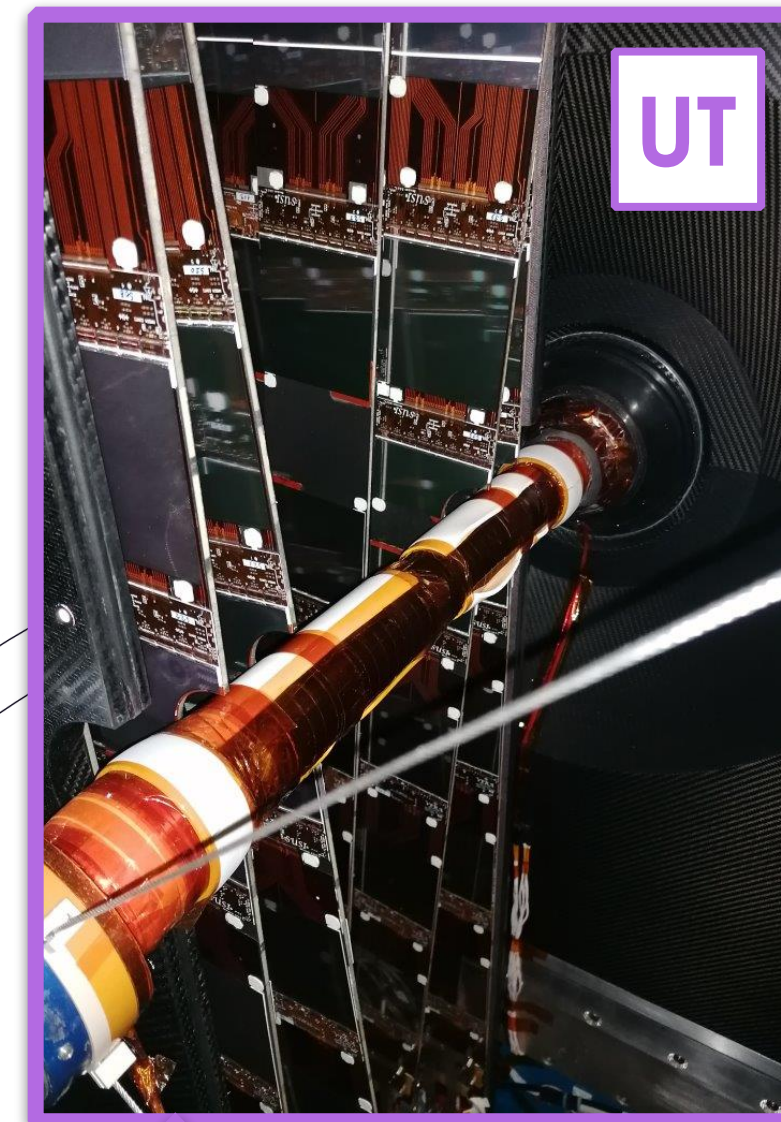
see E. Niel talk for more details!

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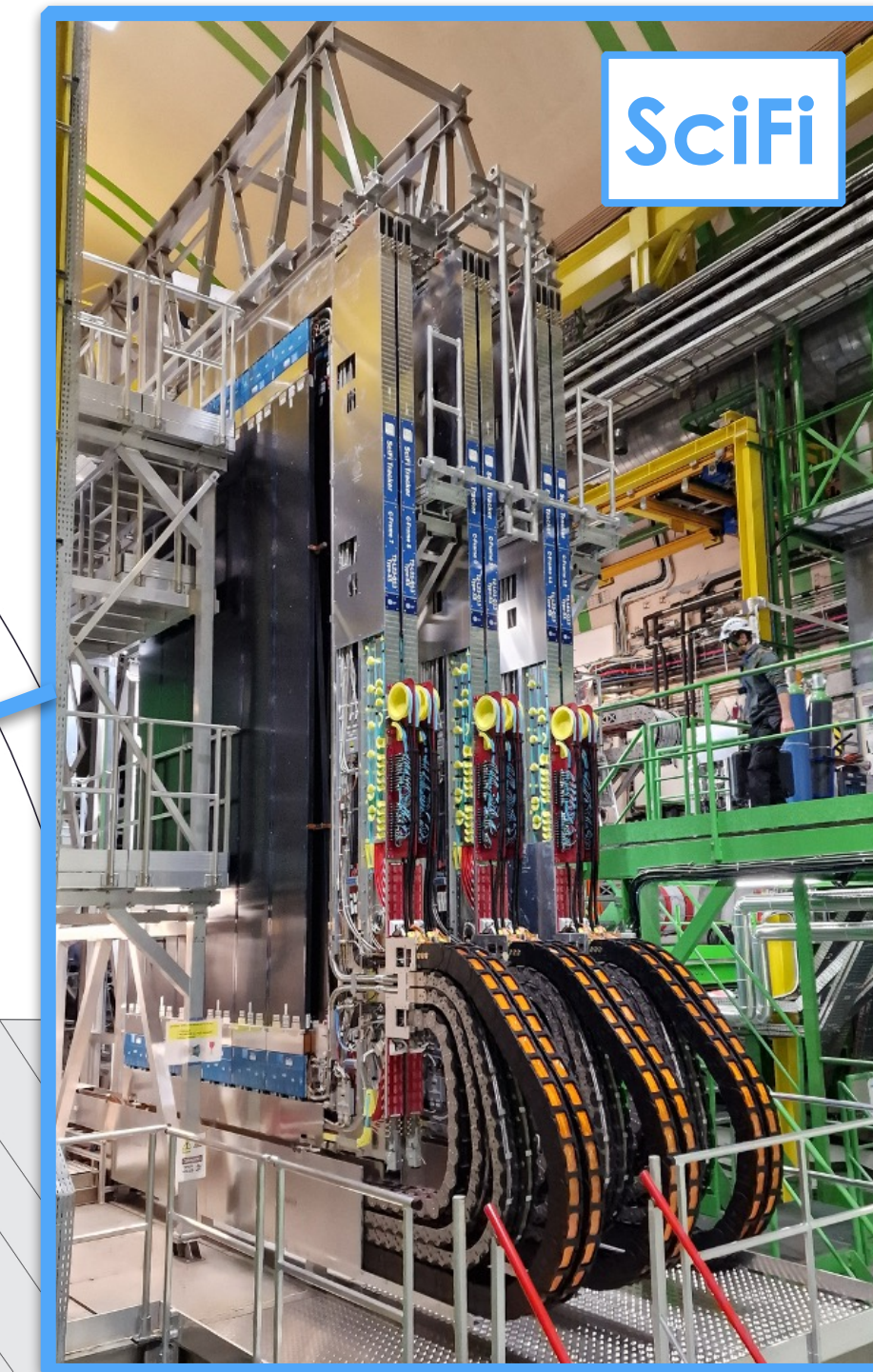


VELO

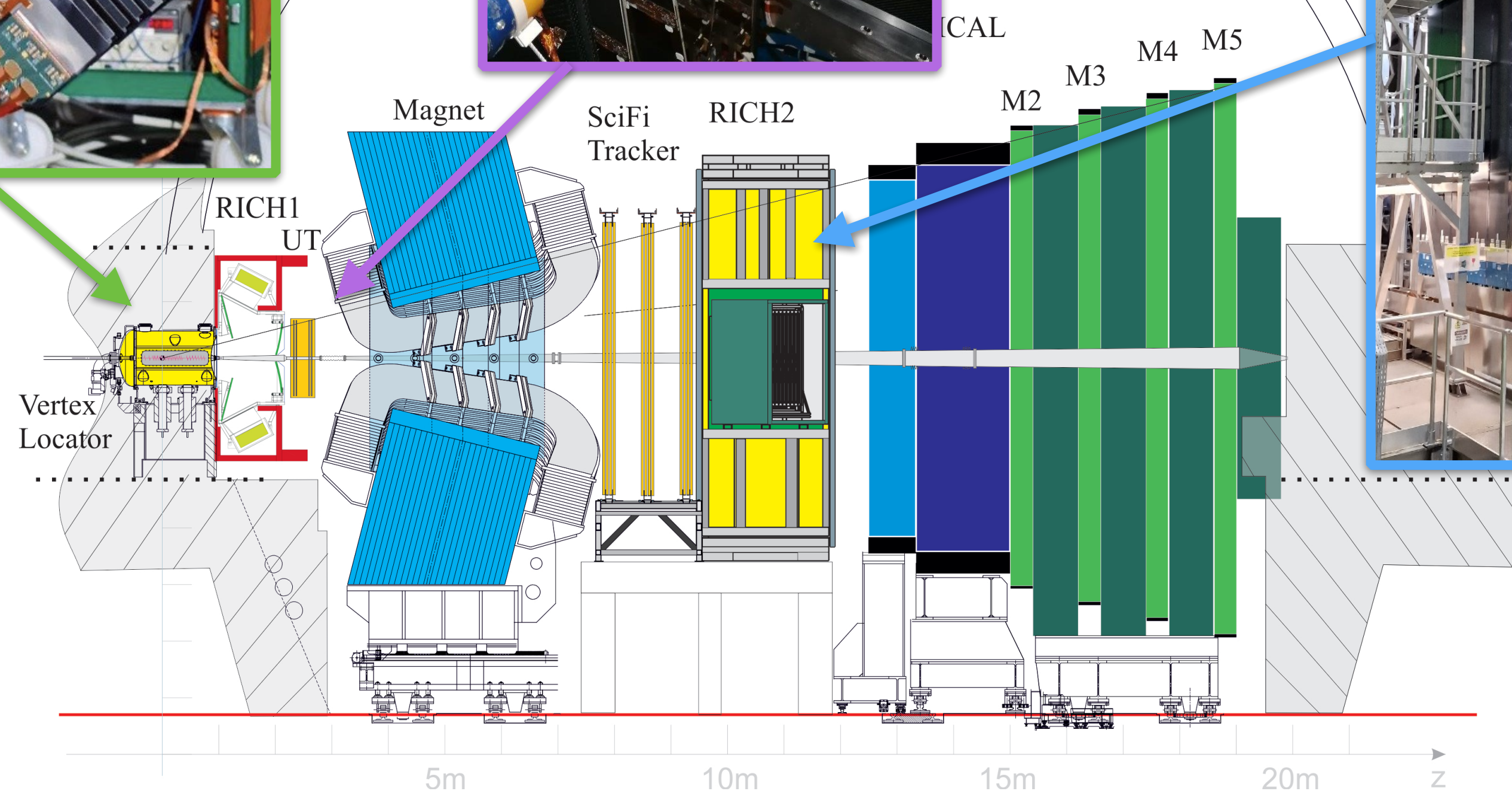


UT

tracking system completely replaced



SciFi



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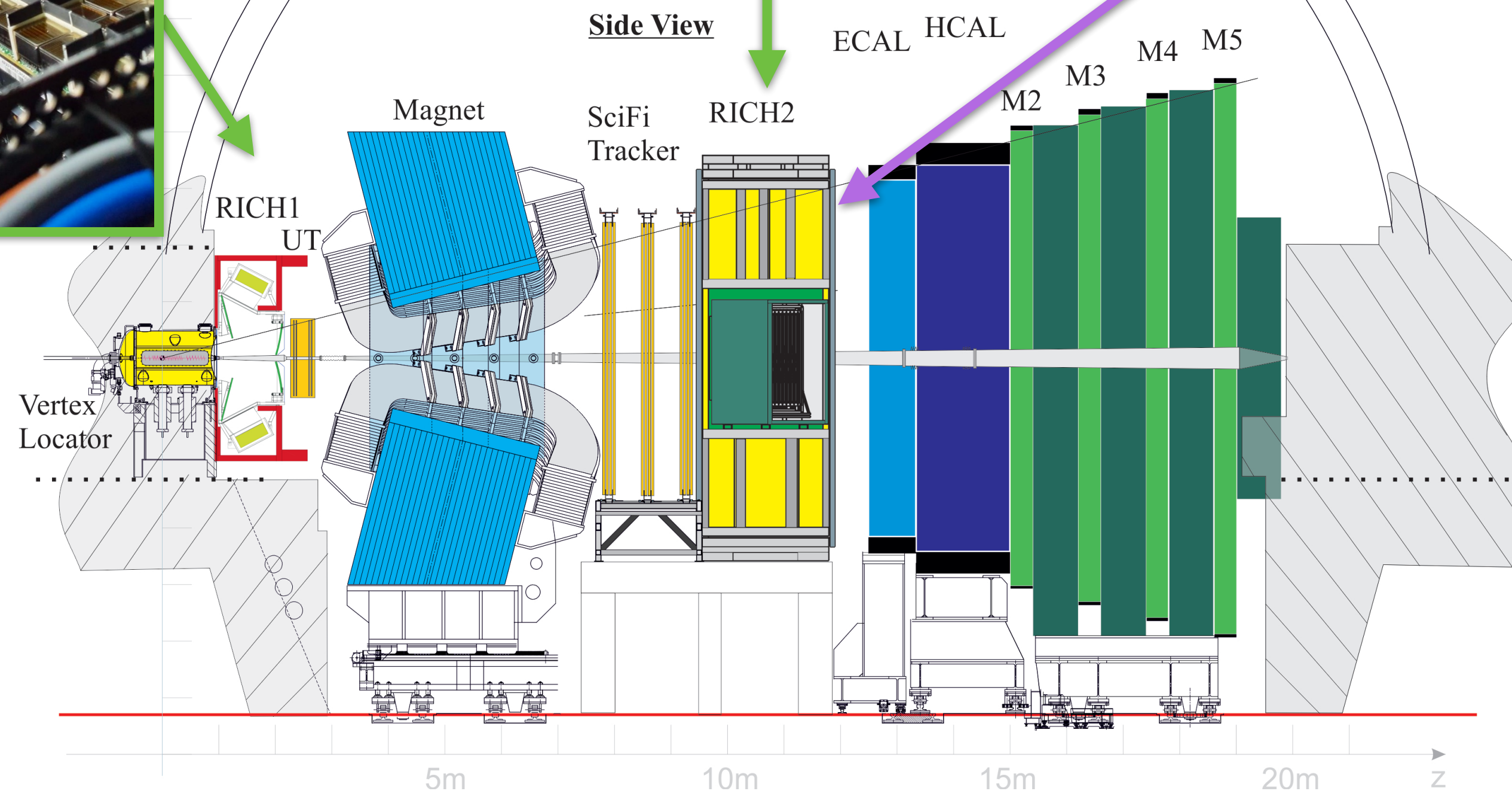
RICH1

new photo-detectors + new optics



RICH2

removed first muon station, preshower and scintillating pad detectors + new neutron shielding

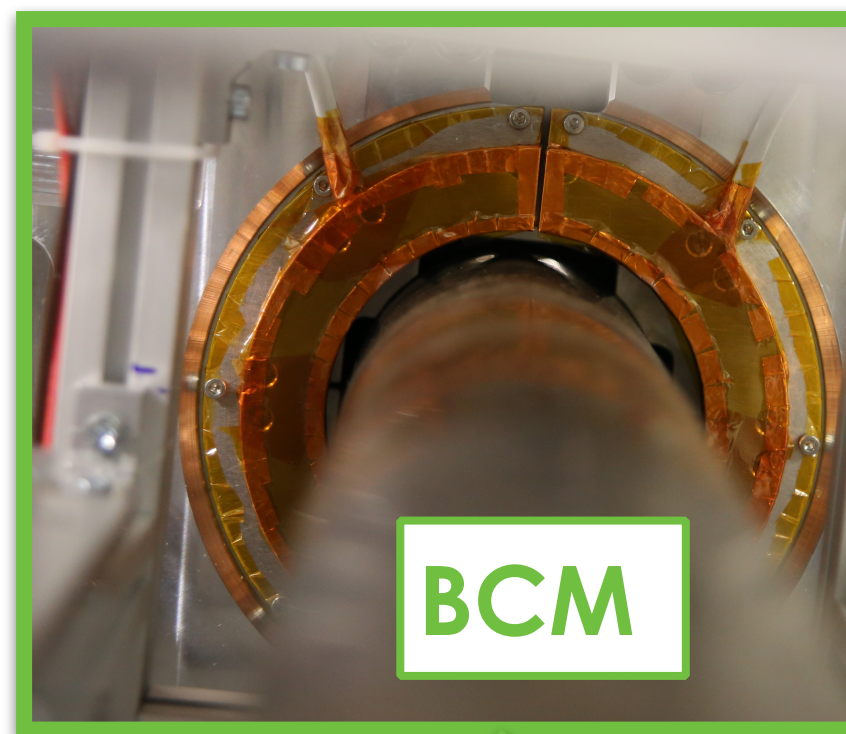


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BCM

refurbished Beam Conditions Monitor



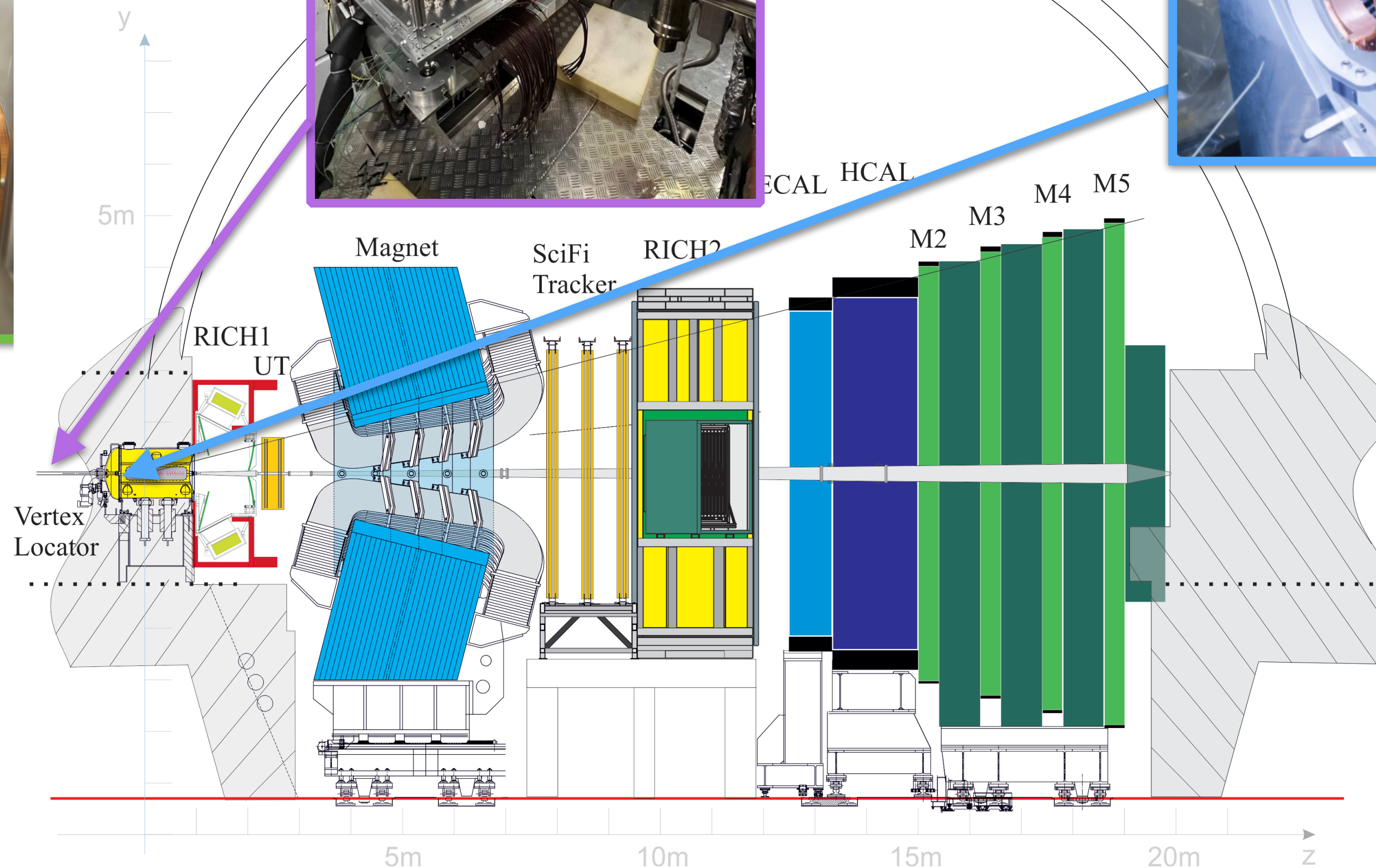
PLUME

new luminometer

new gas cell



SMOG2

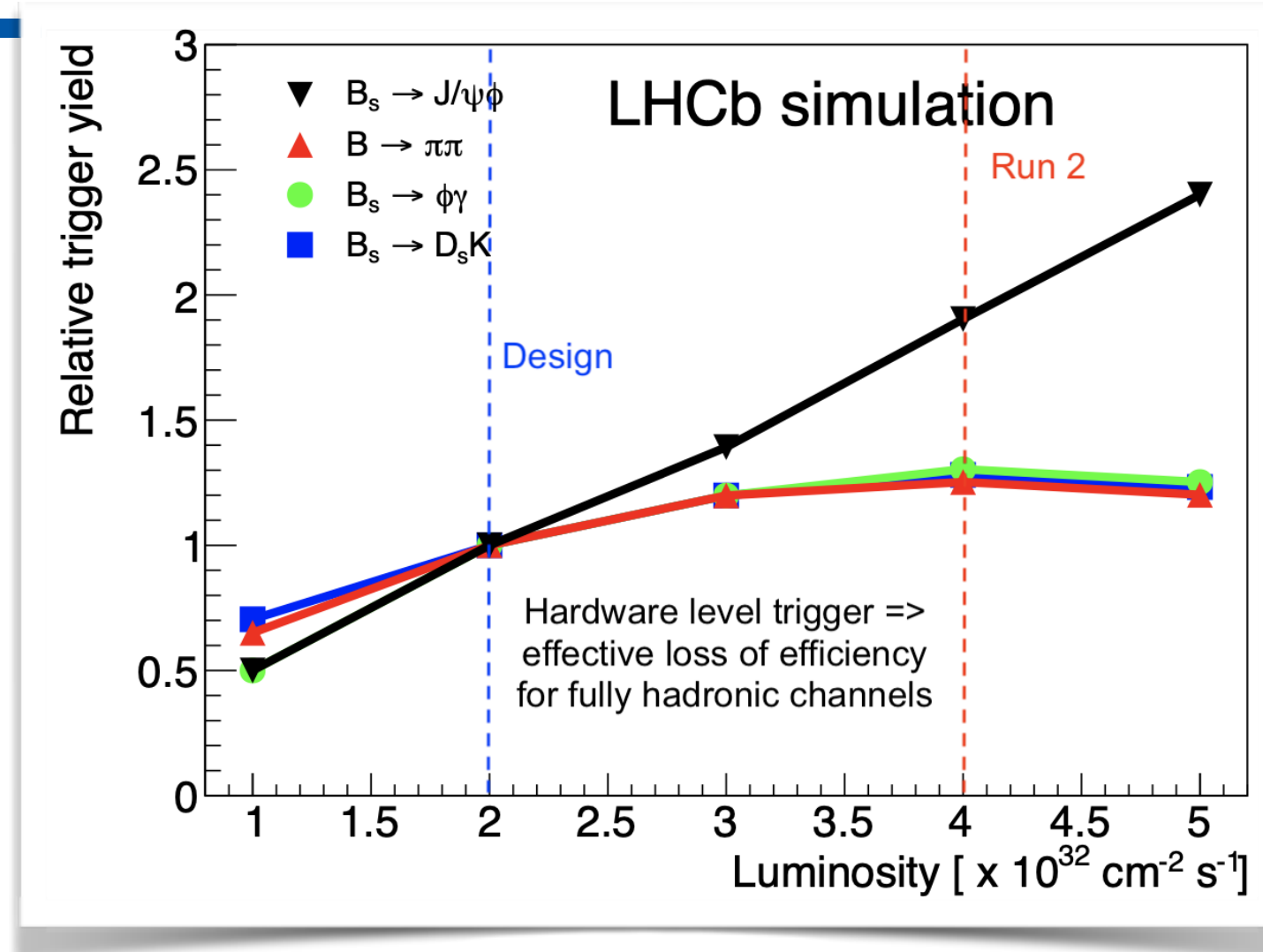


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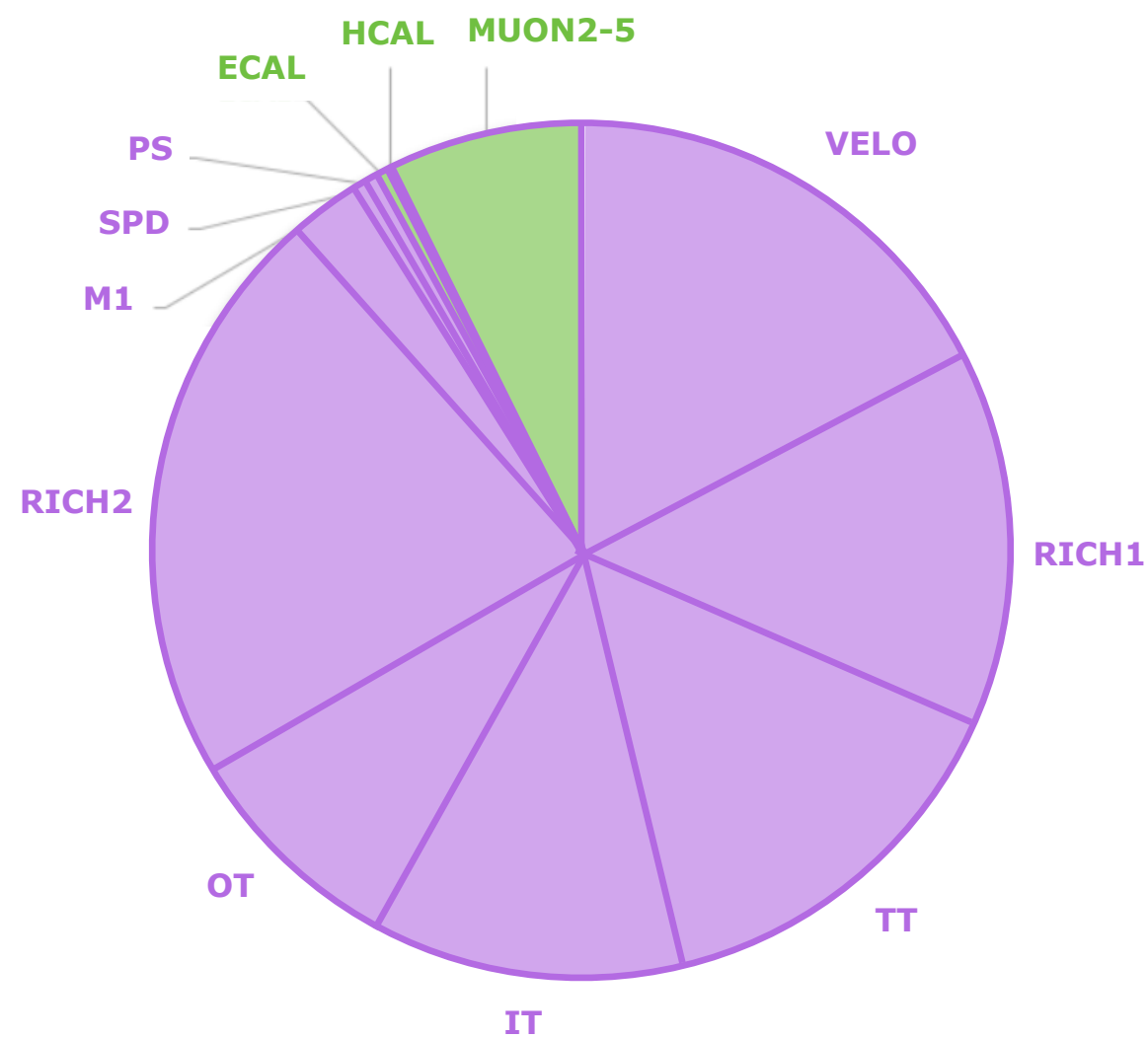
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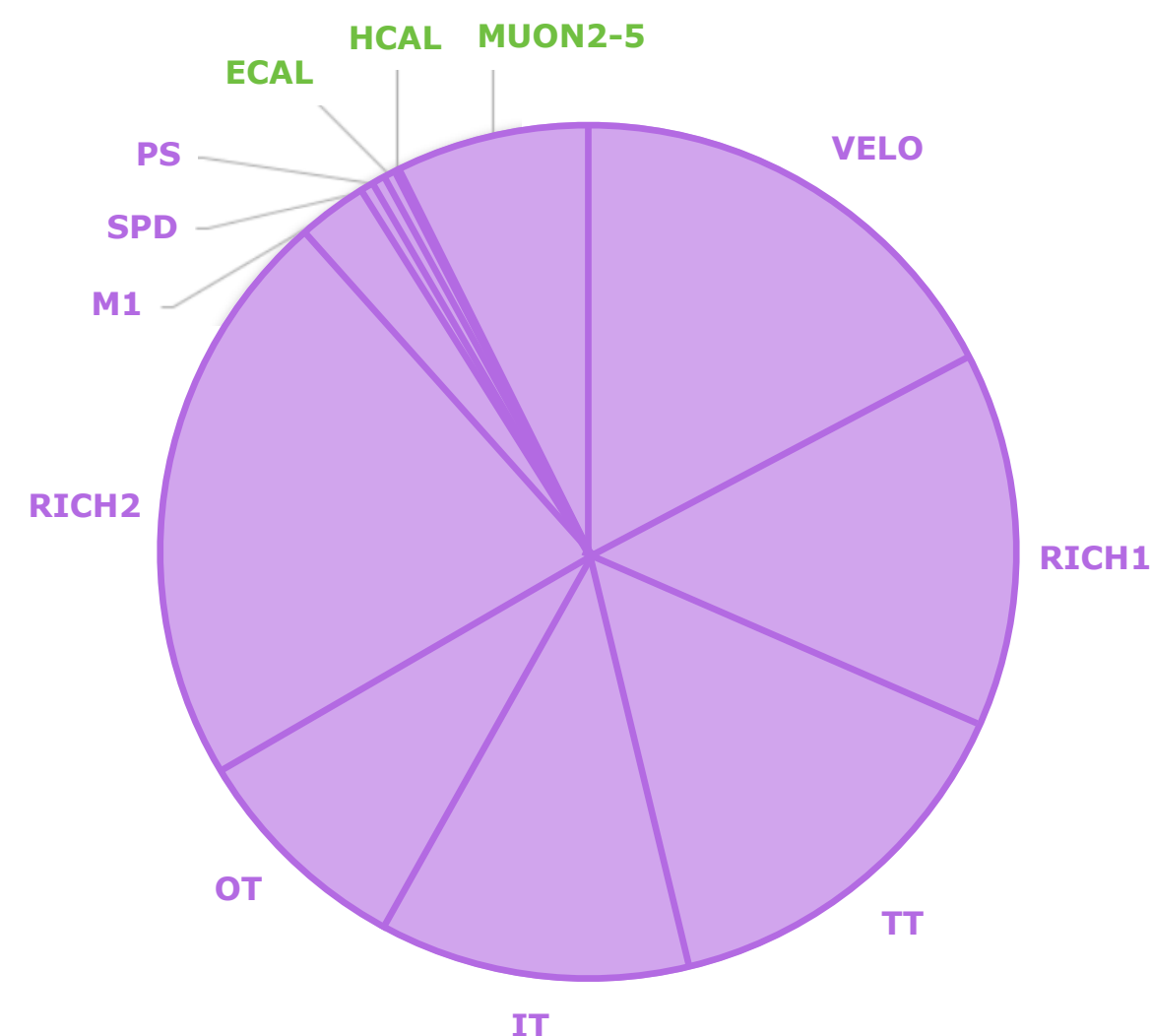


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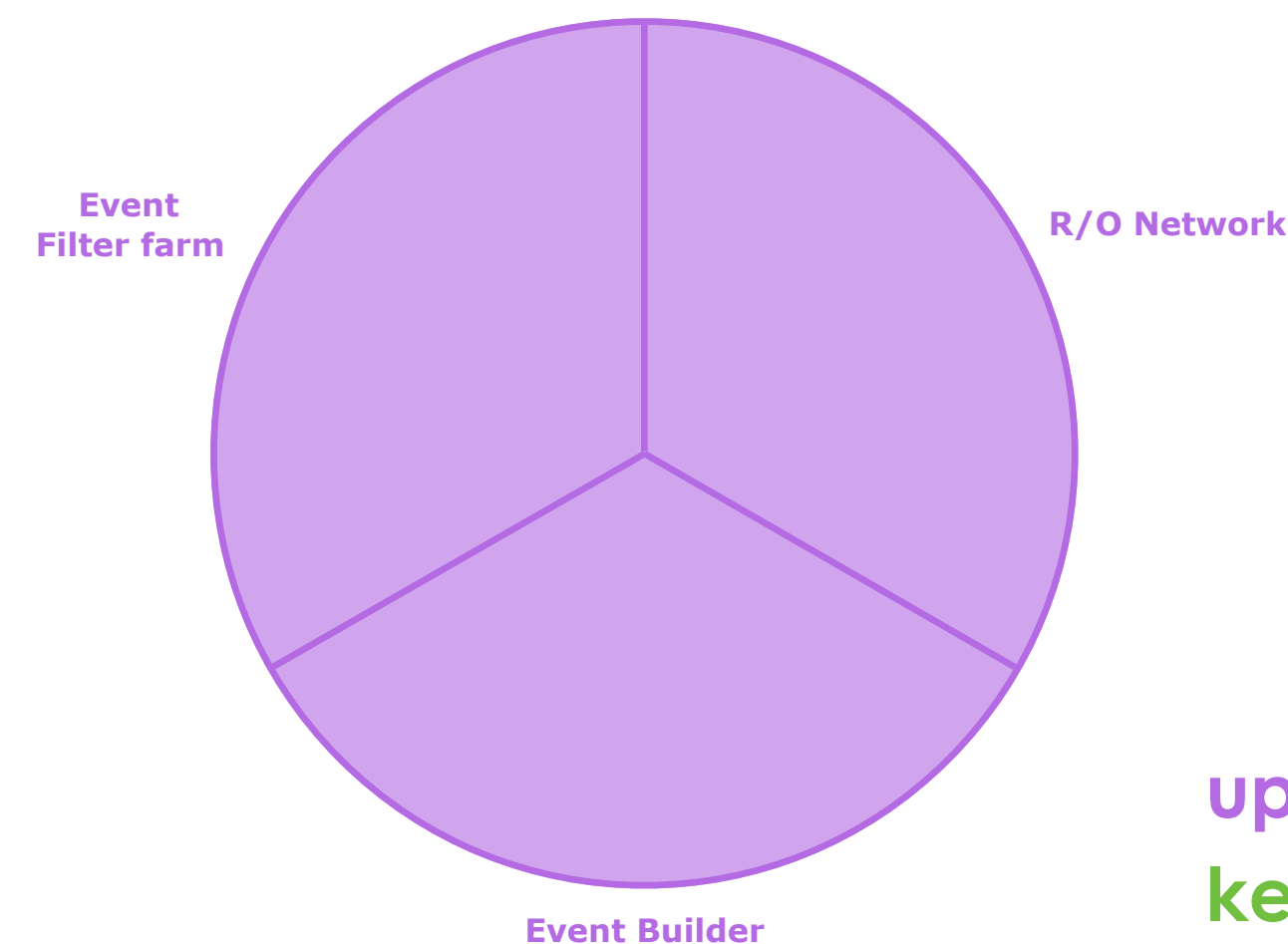
detector channels



R/O electronics



DAQ

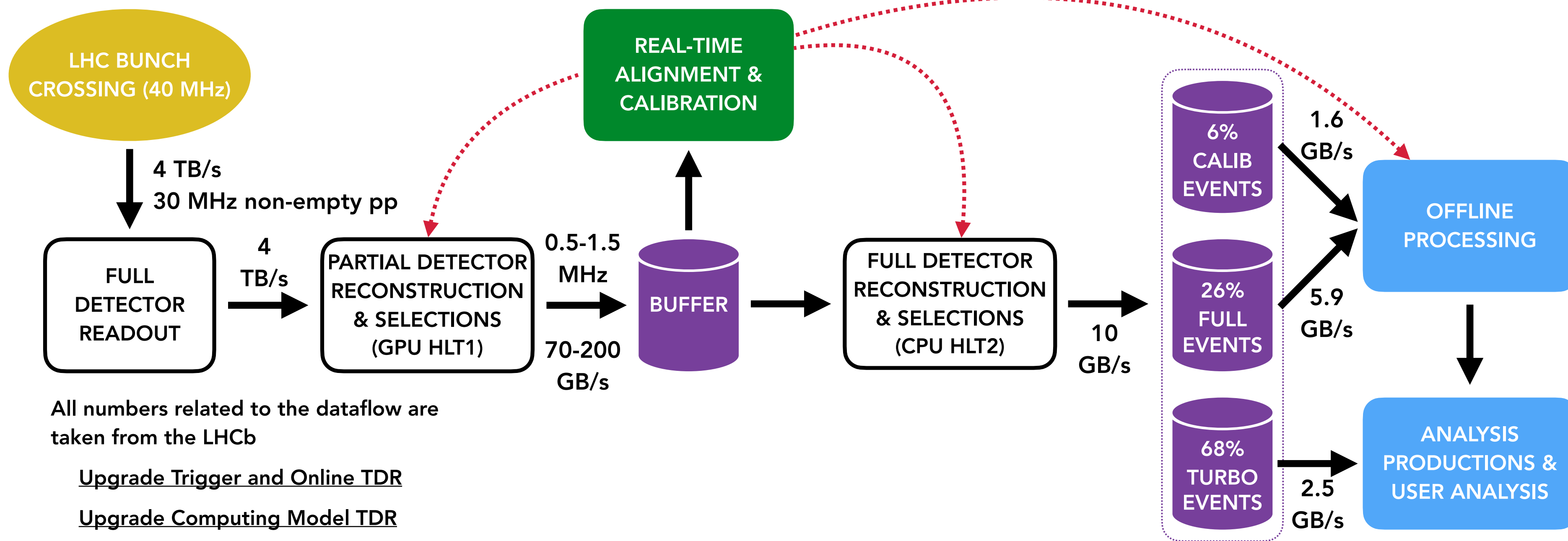
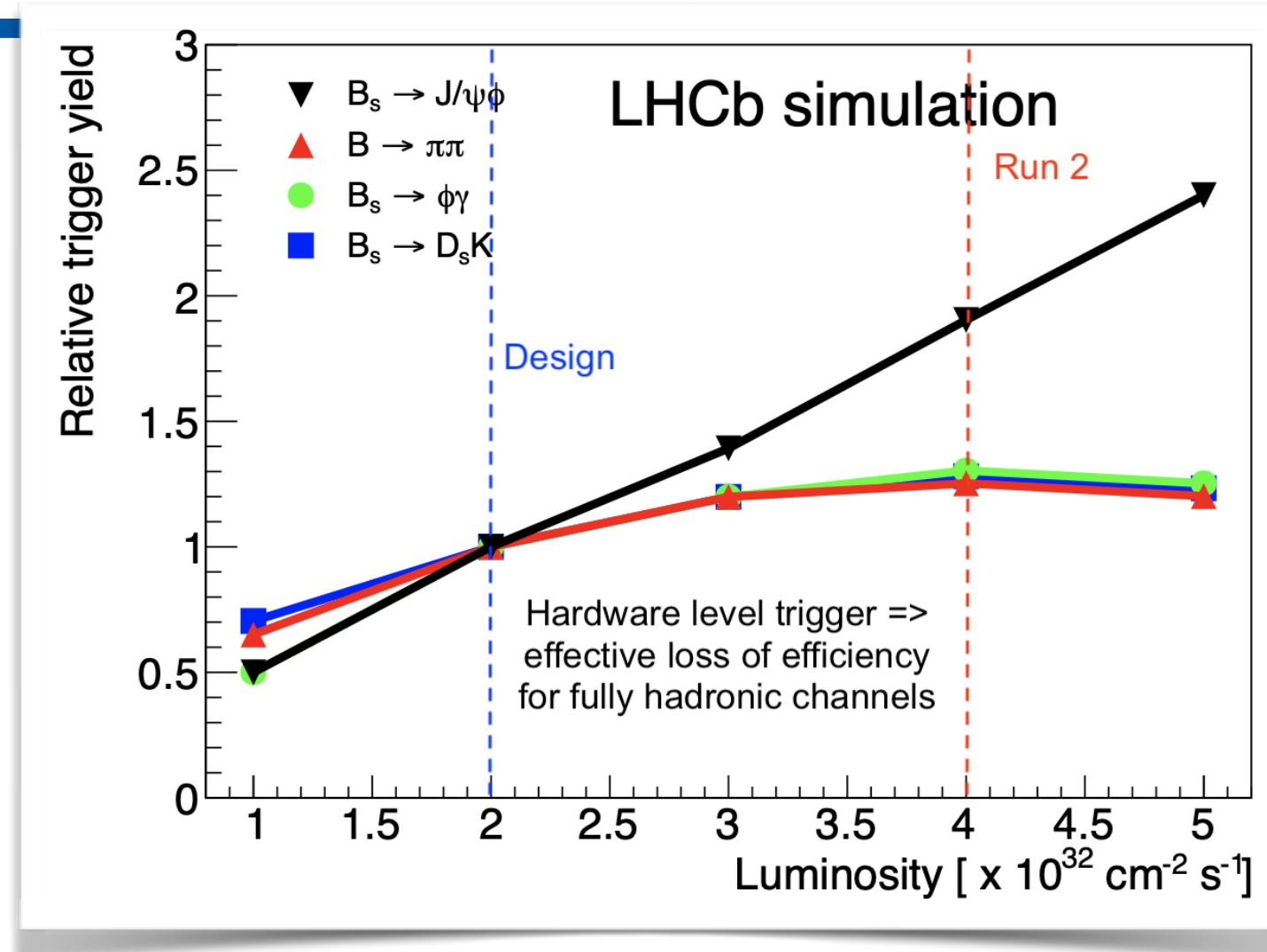


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kept

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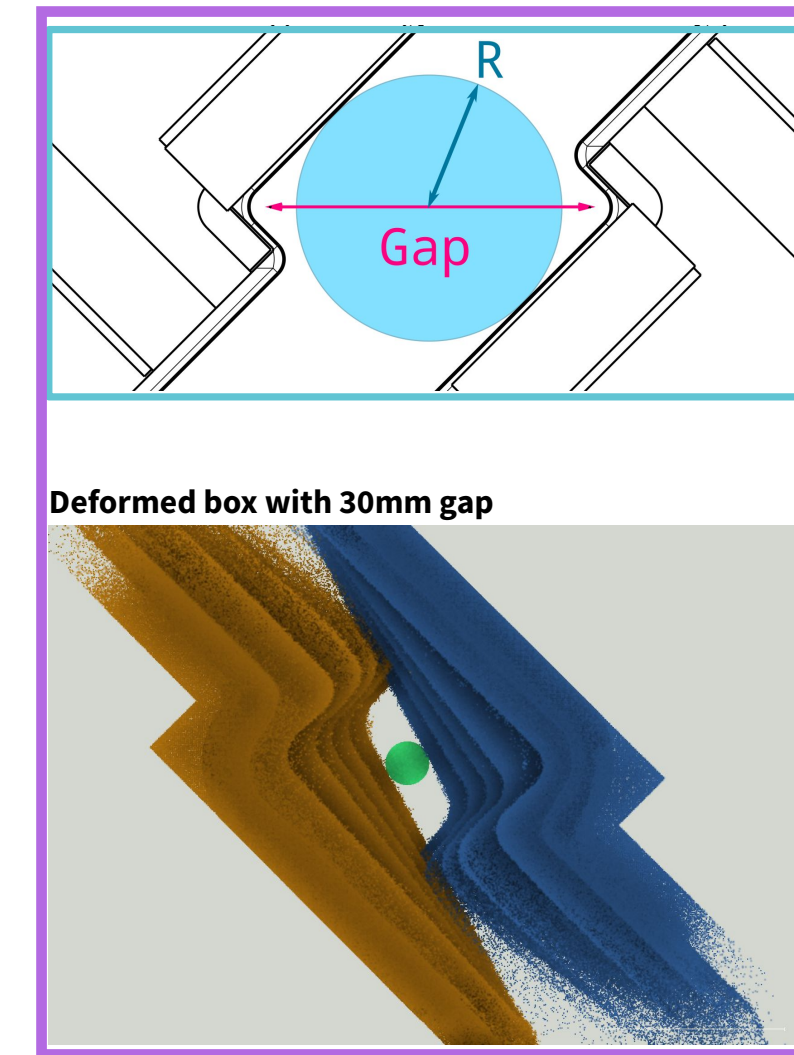
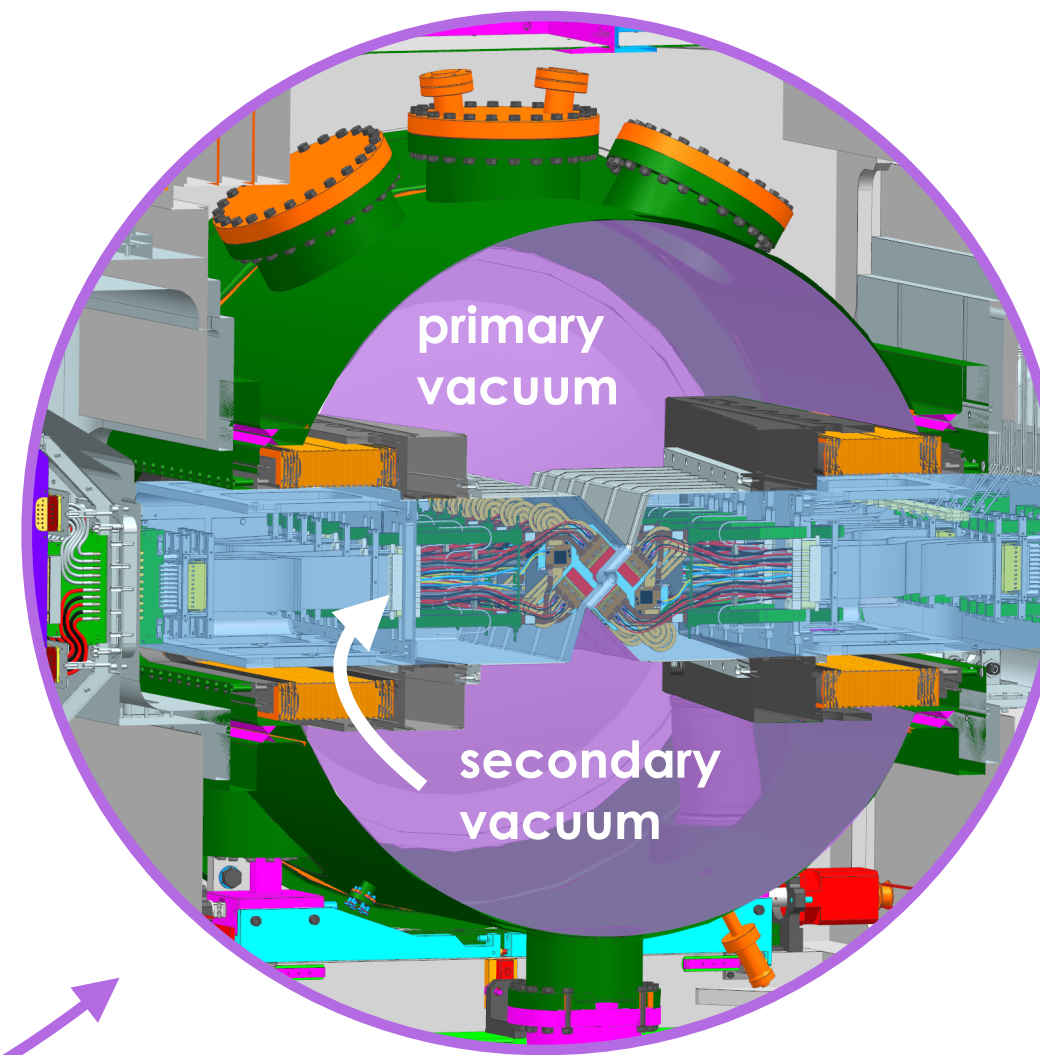
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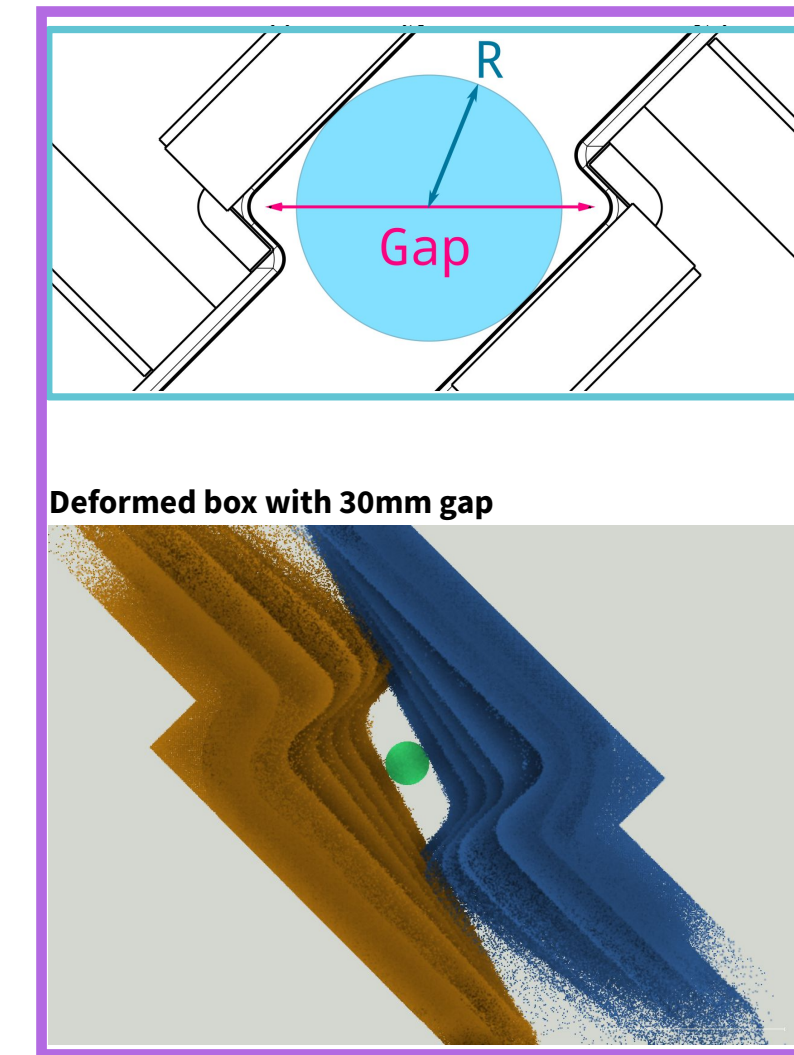
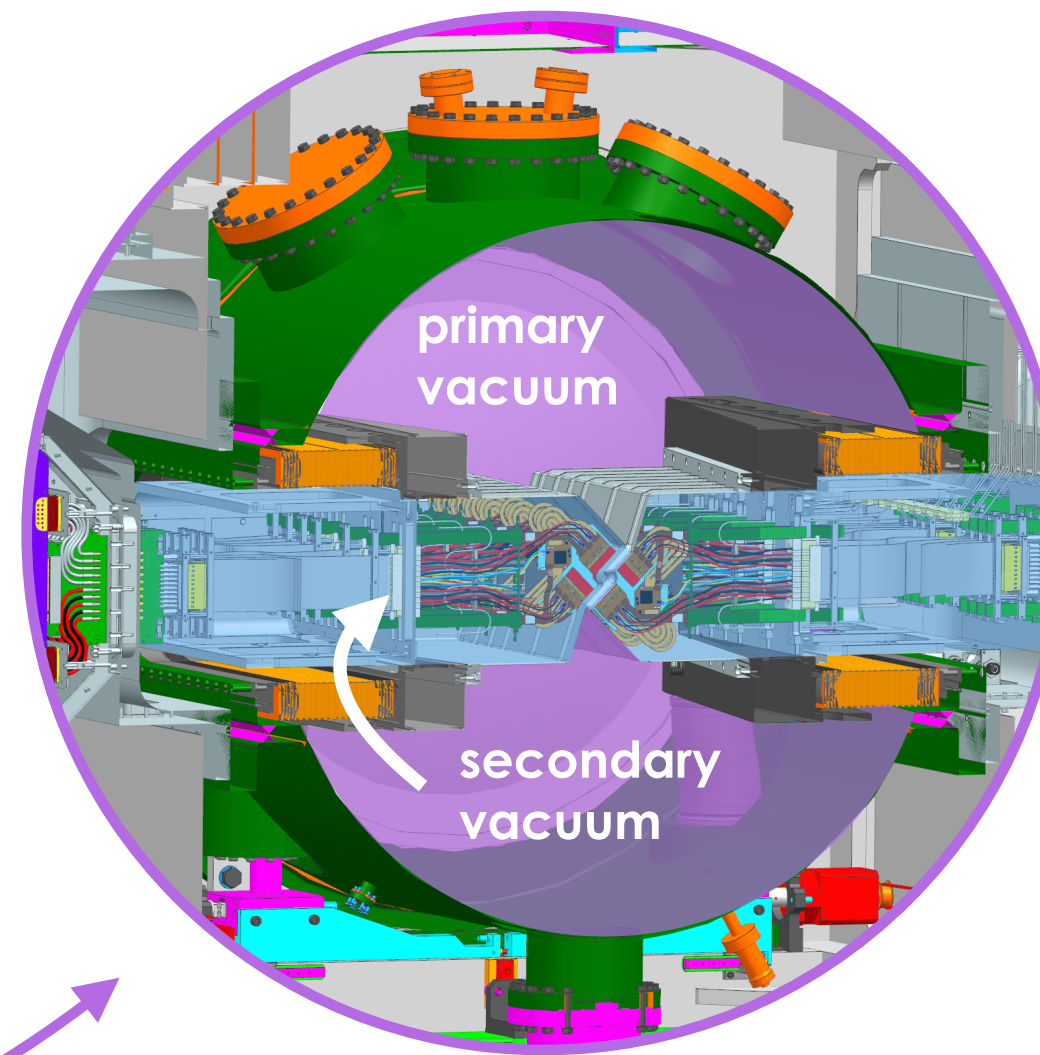
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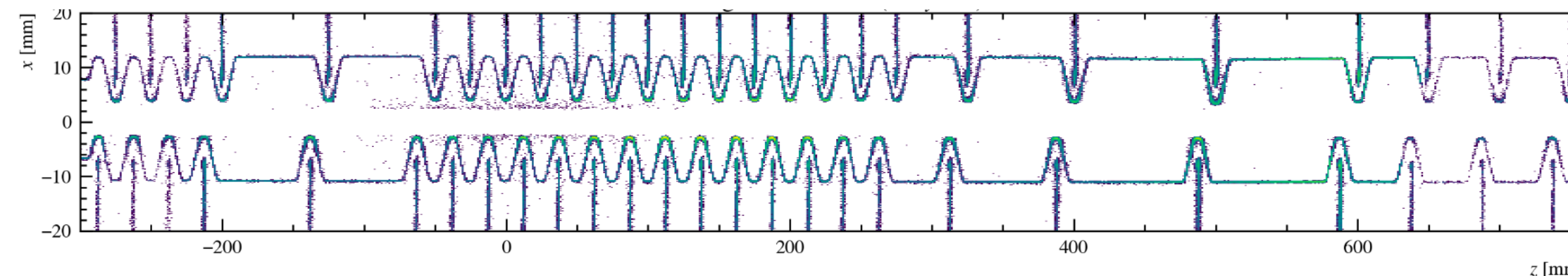
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- re-commissioned full detector (but UT) during intensity ramp up up to nominal luminosity
- UT commissioning and integration ongoing
- collecting data



new RF-box and VELO modules reconstructed by hadronic interaction vertices



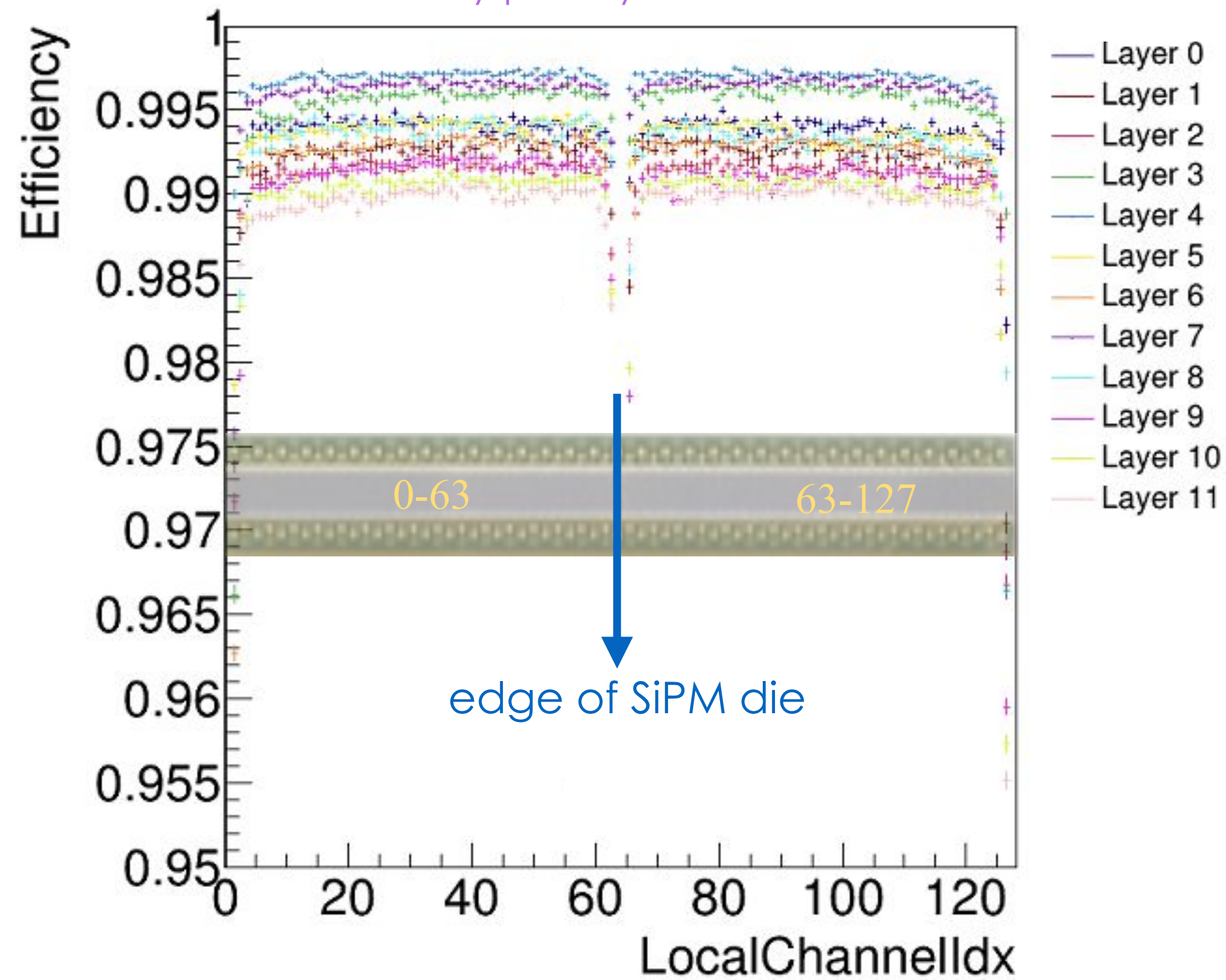
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Hit efficiency

hit efficiency for SciFi and VELO approaching design specifications

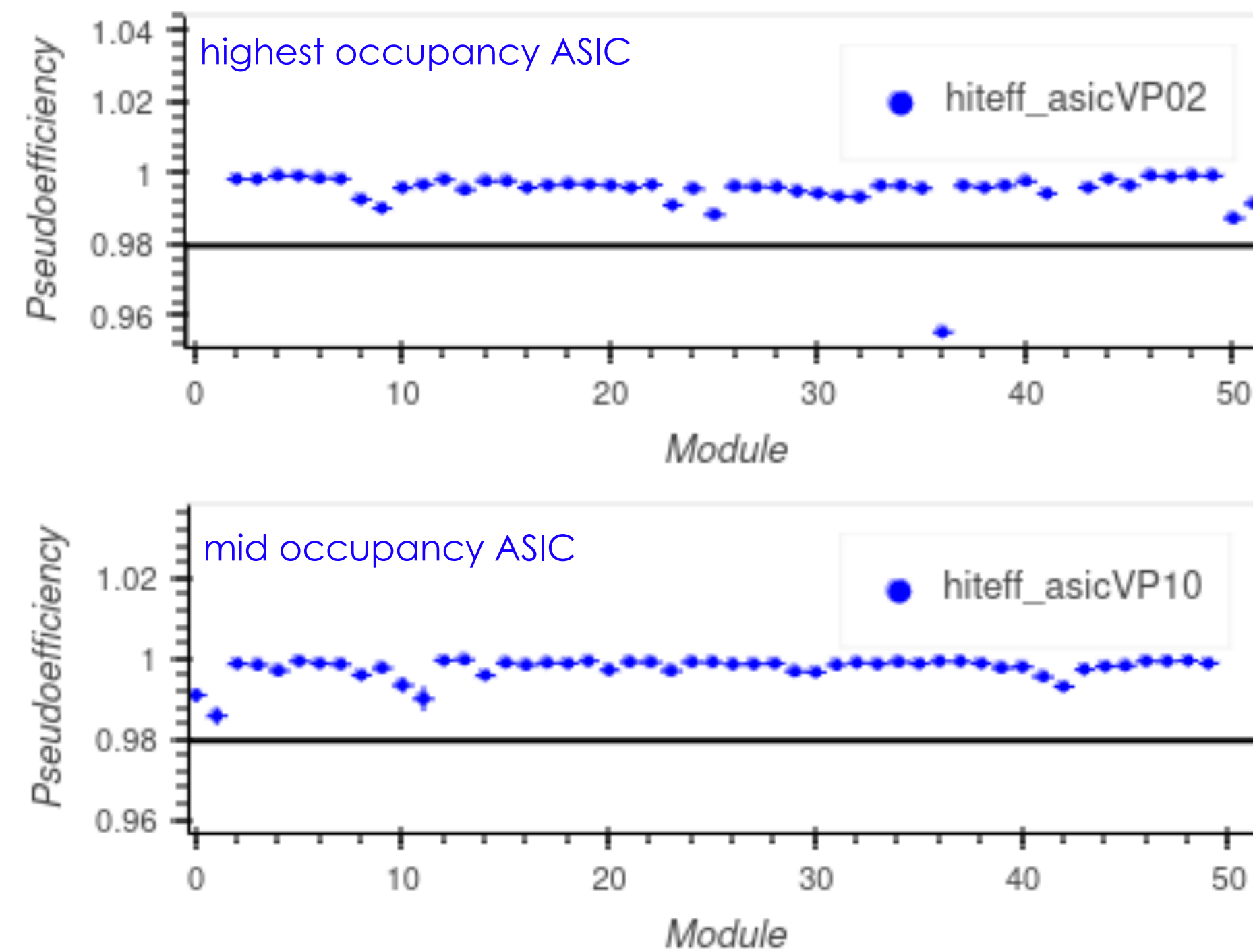
SciFi

hit efficiency per layer



VELO

biased hit efficiency in online monitoring



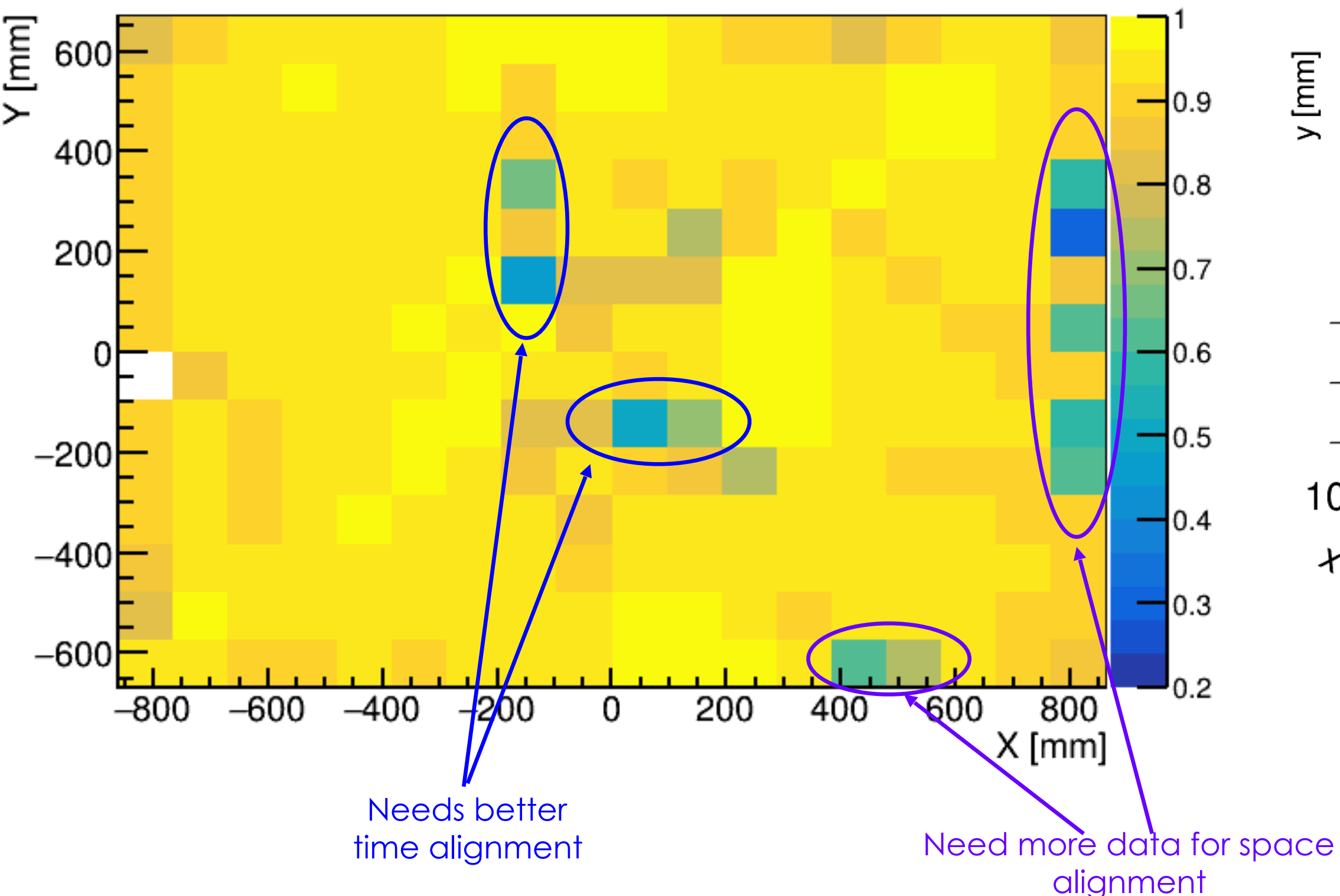
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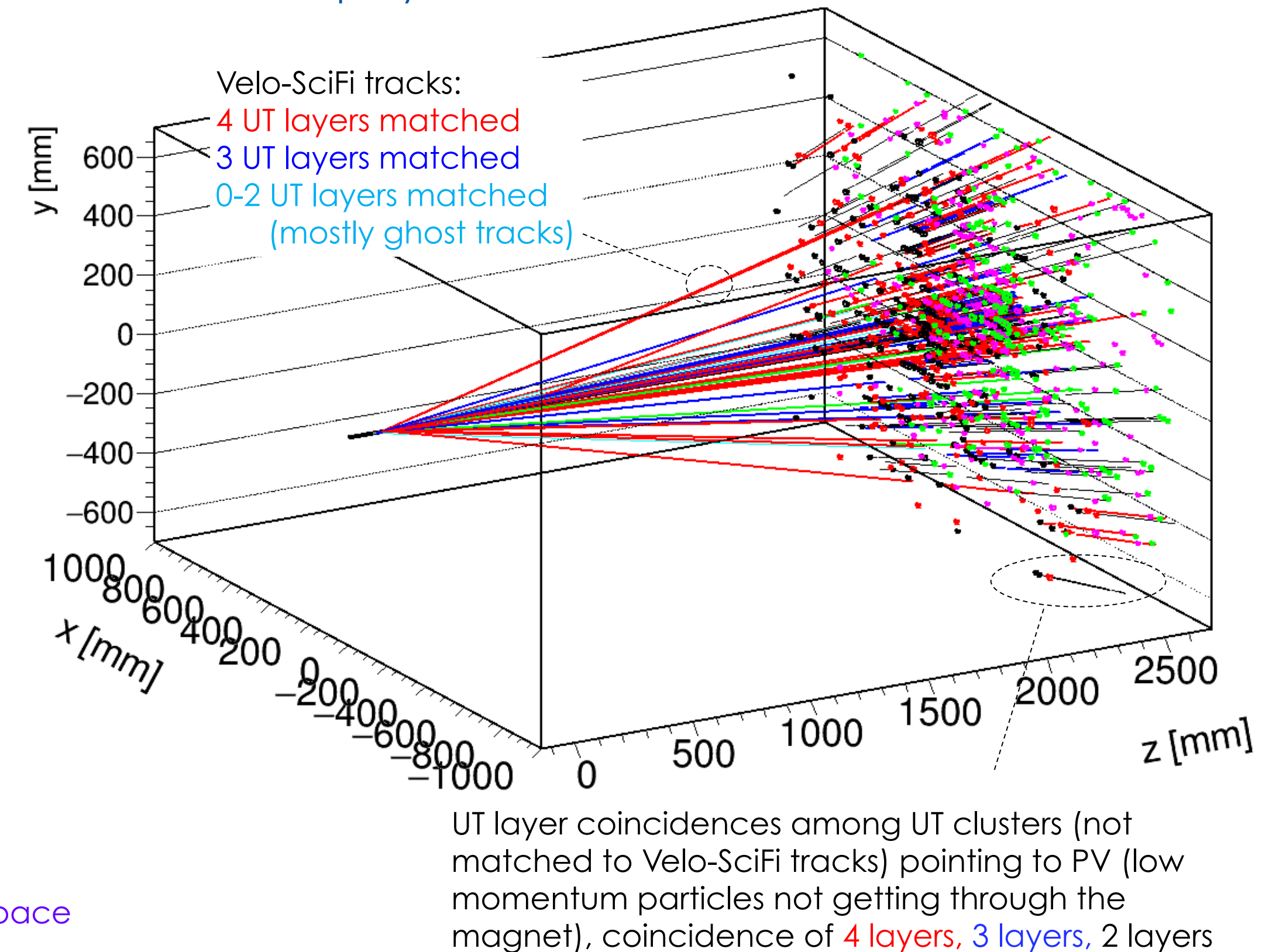
very rapid progress in UT commissioning this year

- coarse time alignment with 450 GeV beam, fine time alignment and space alignment with 6.8 TeV beam
- as of now 96% efficiency as measured on VELO-SciFi tracks matched to 3-4 UT layers
- improvement expected from 2nd round of fine-time and space alignment data and from further tuning of FE thresholds to individual channels

UT efficiency map as measured on Velo-SciFi tracks



event display with 3PVs and ~50 VELO-SciFi tracks

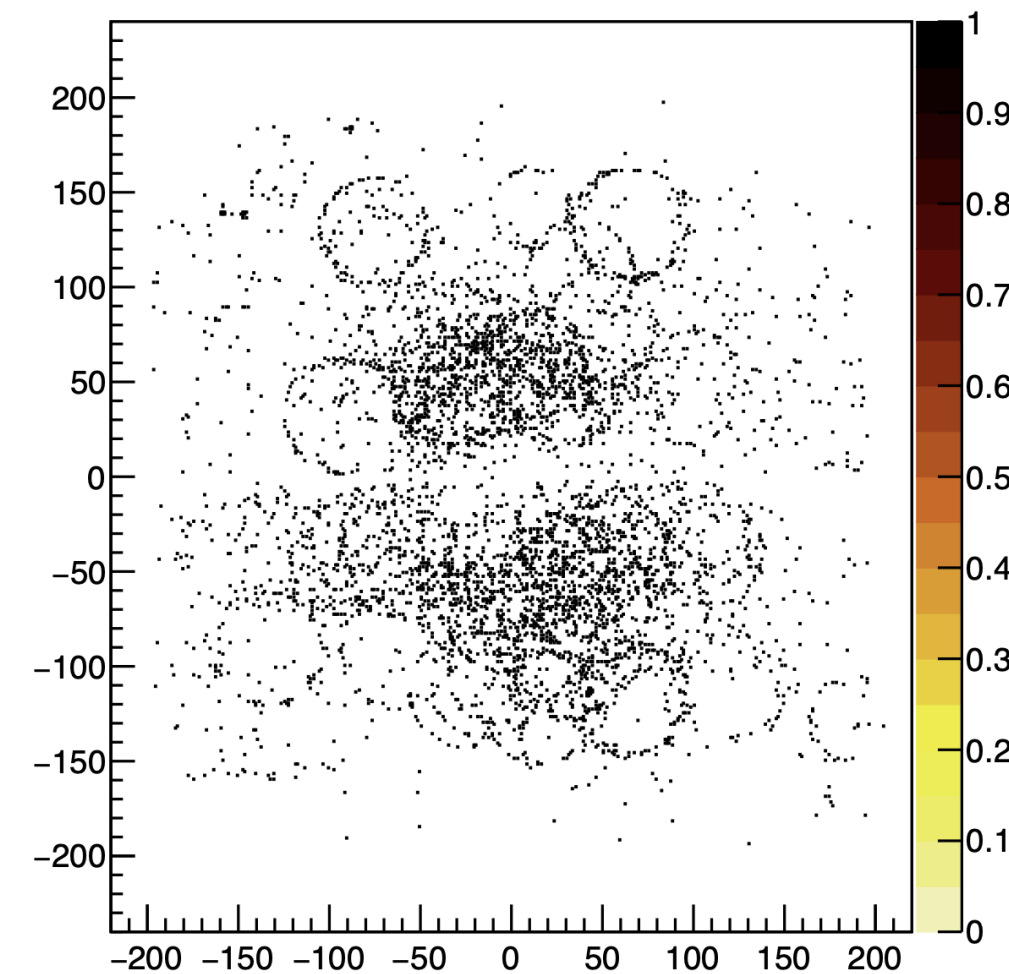


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- depends on other subdetectors spatial alignment
- optimisation of operations parameters ongoing, further improvements expected

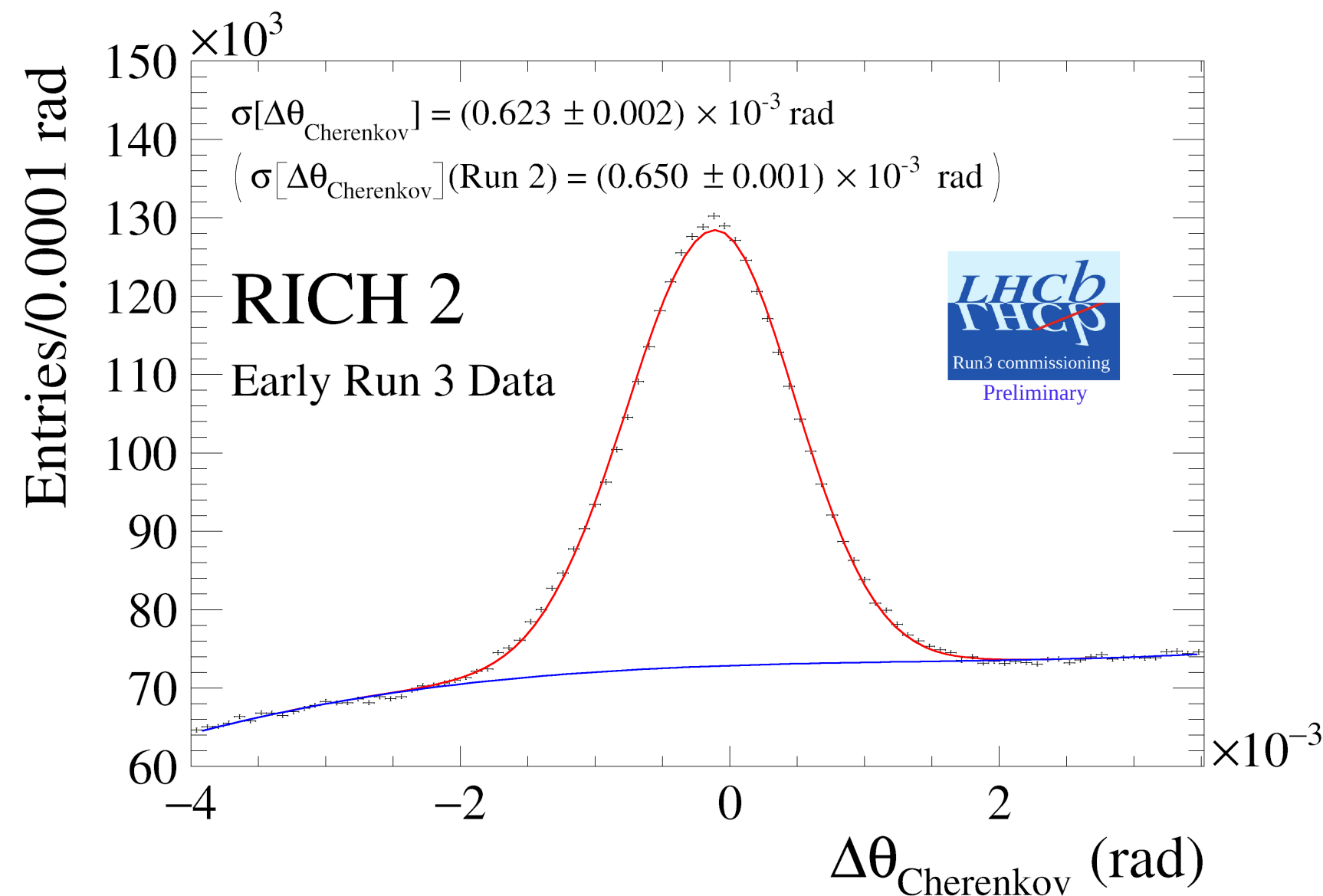
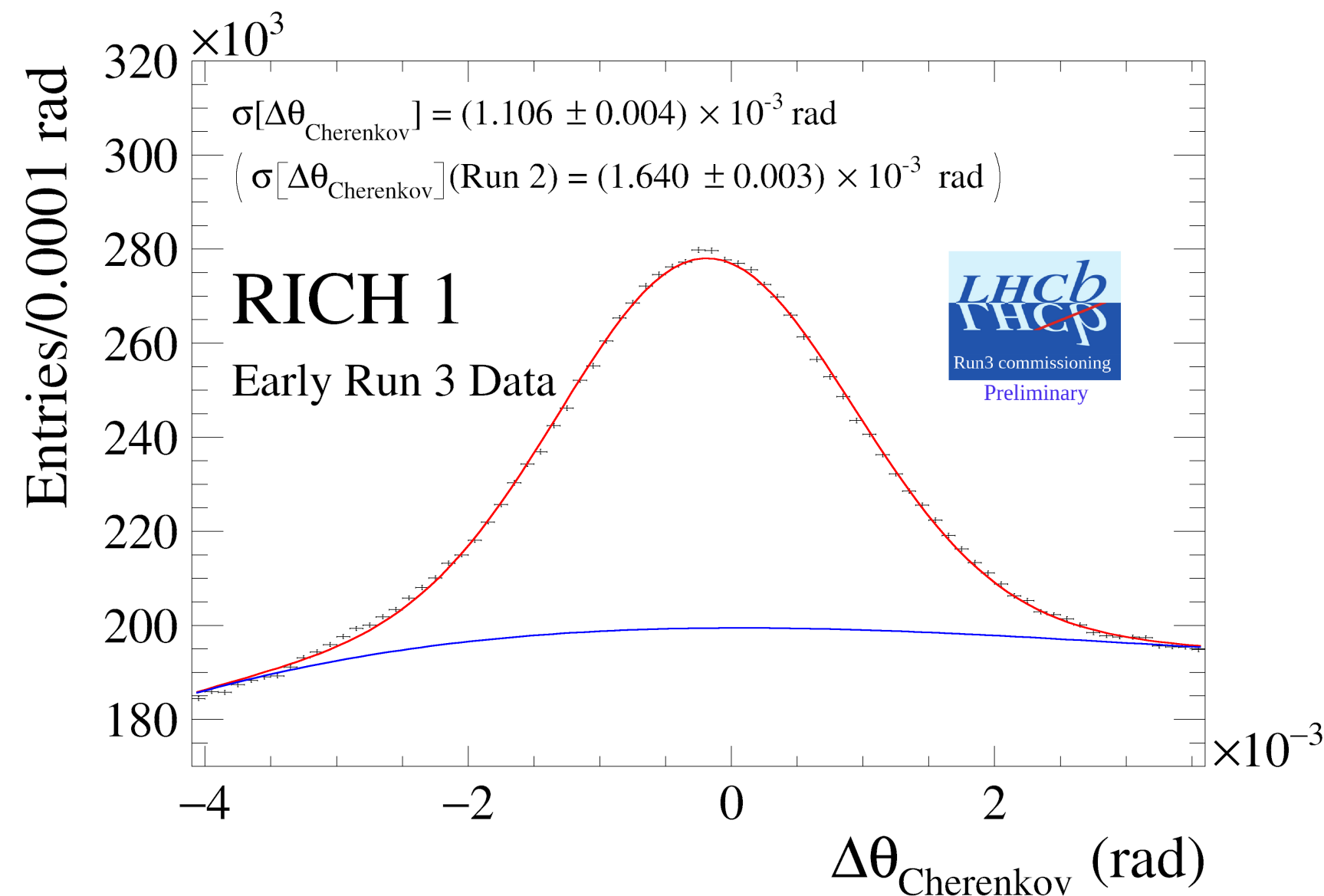
clear improvement from Run 2 to Run 3

RICH 1 at $\mu=5.5$



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single photon Cherenkov angle resolution



Alignment

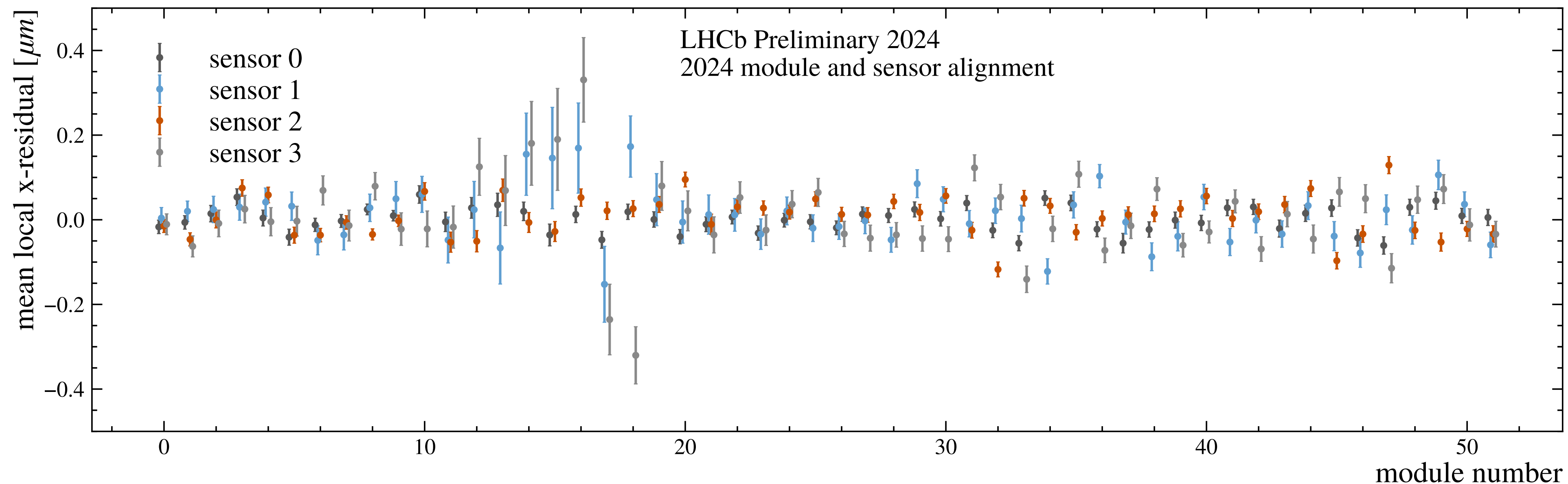
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VELO alignment performance

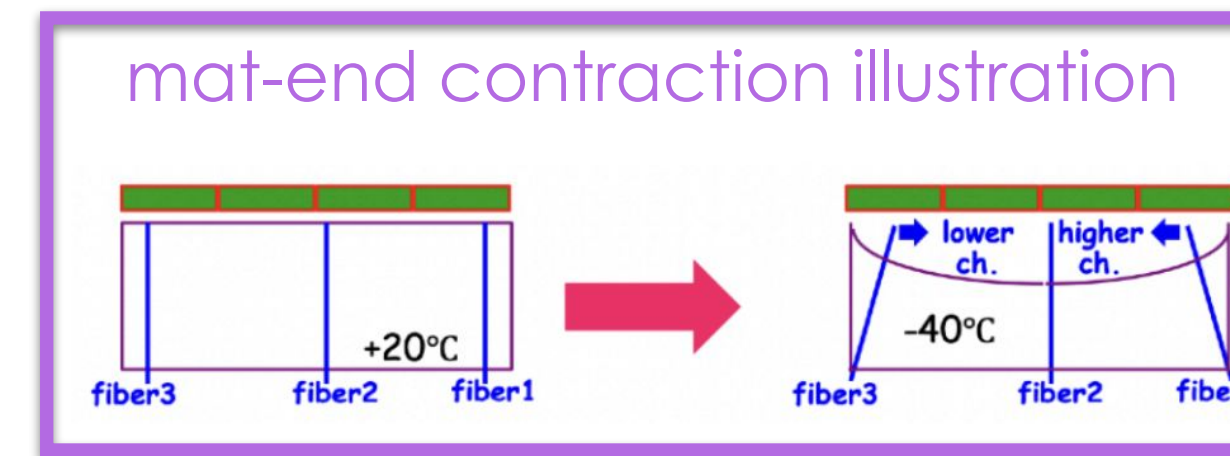


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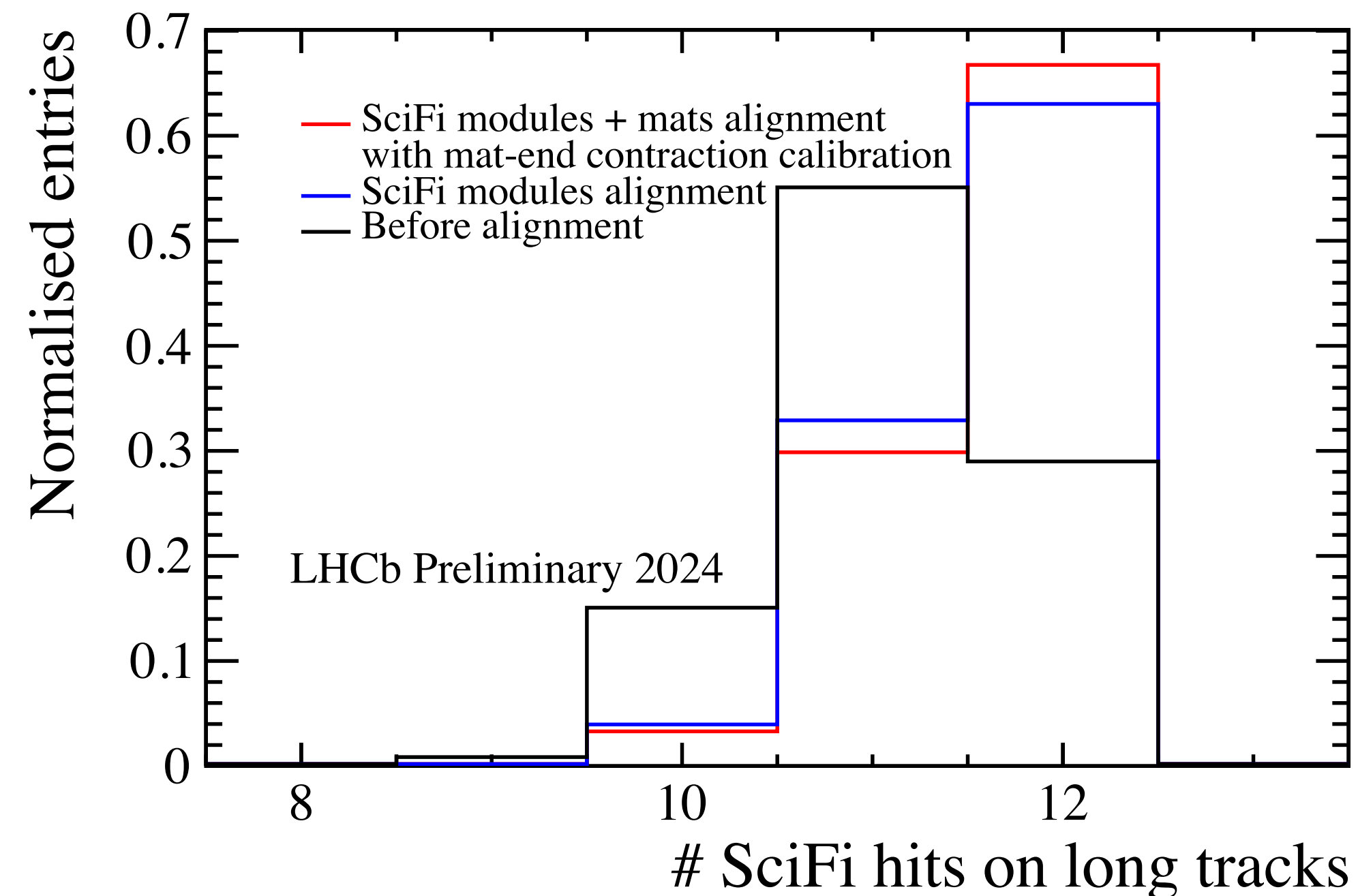
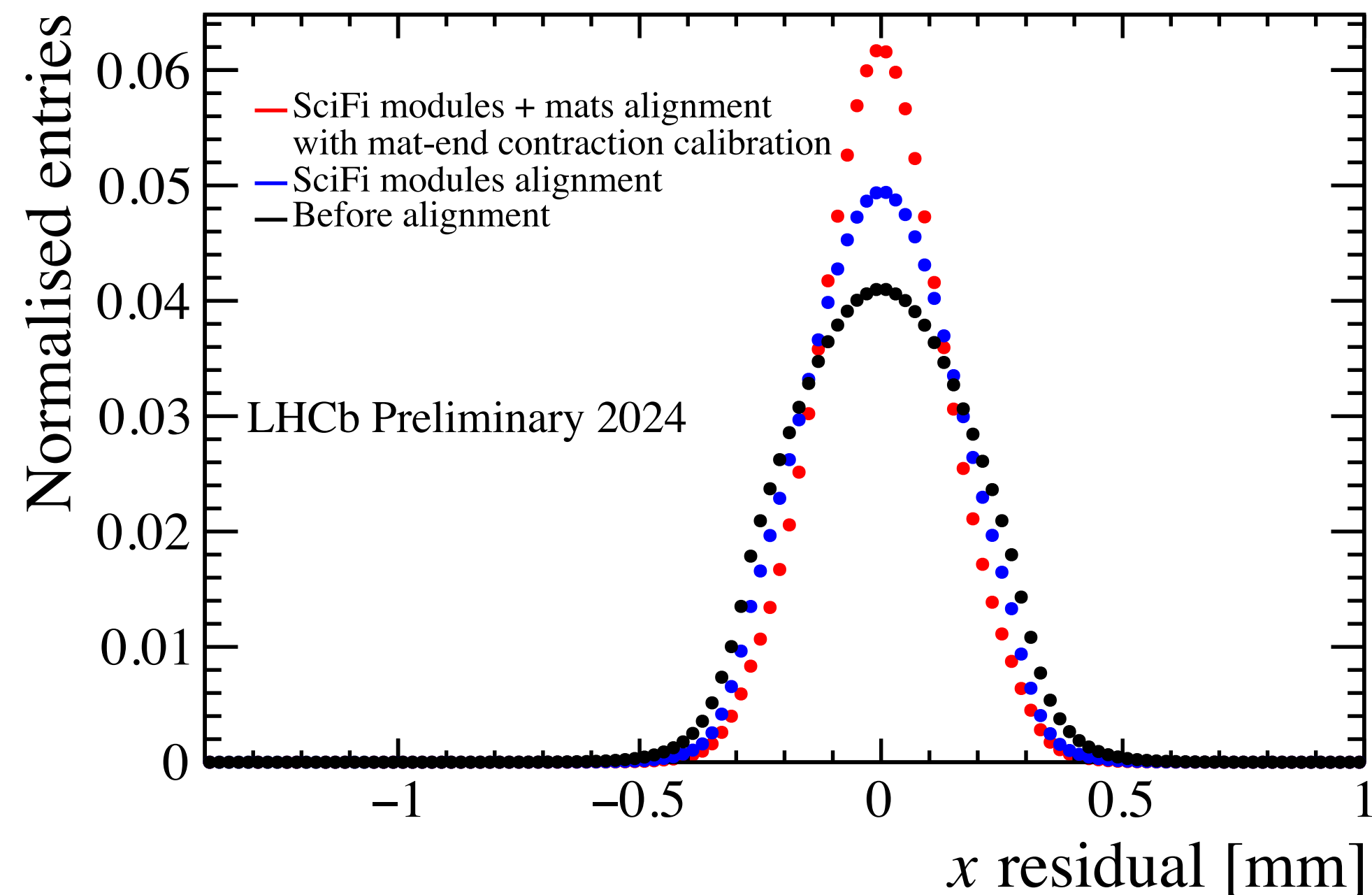
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SciFi alignment performance (further improvements ongoing)



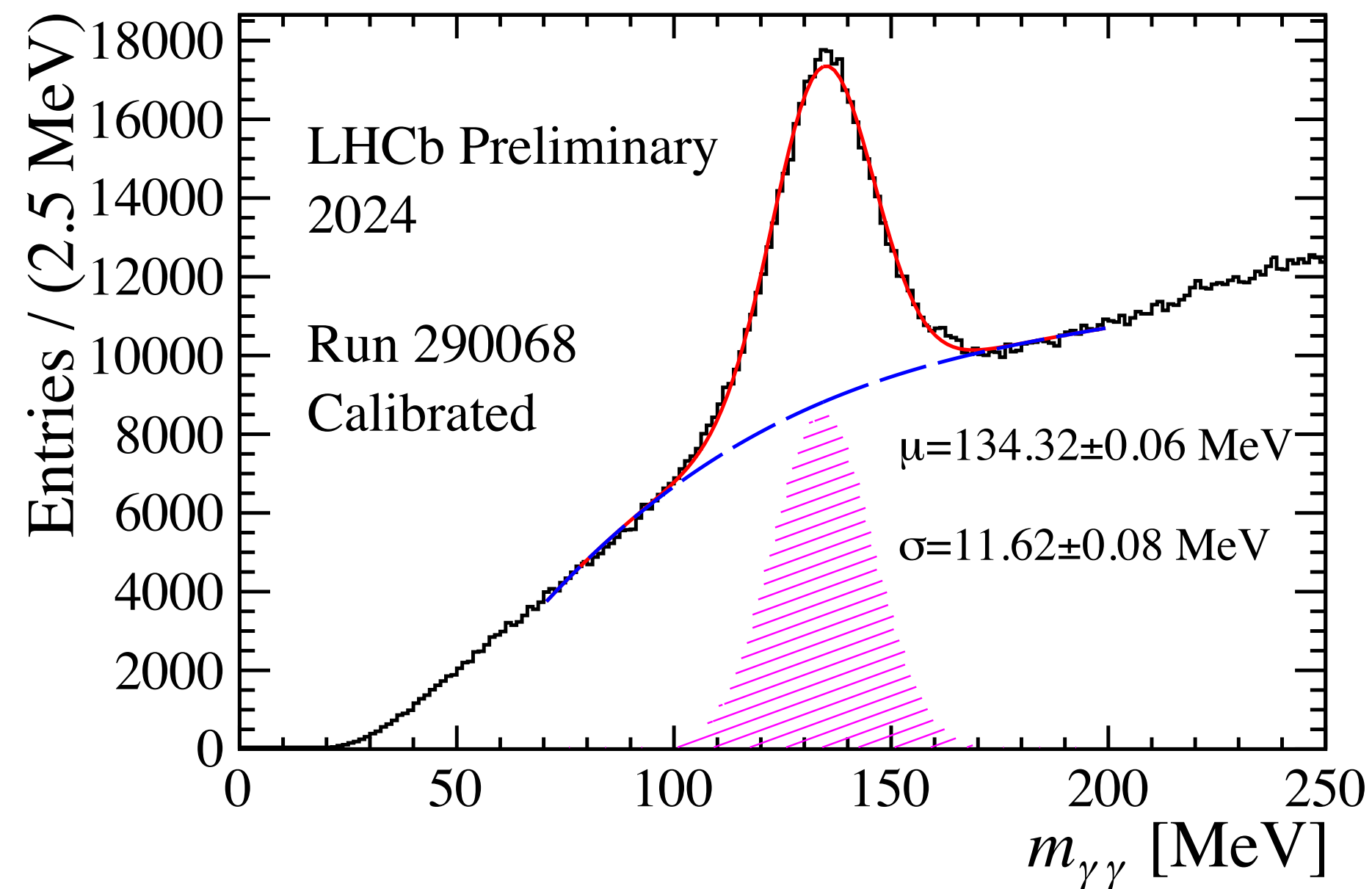
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Calibration of calorimeter system crucial to compensate for ageing

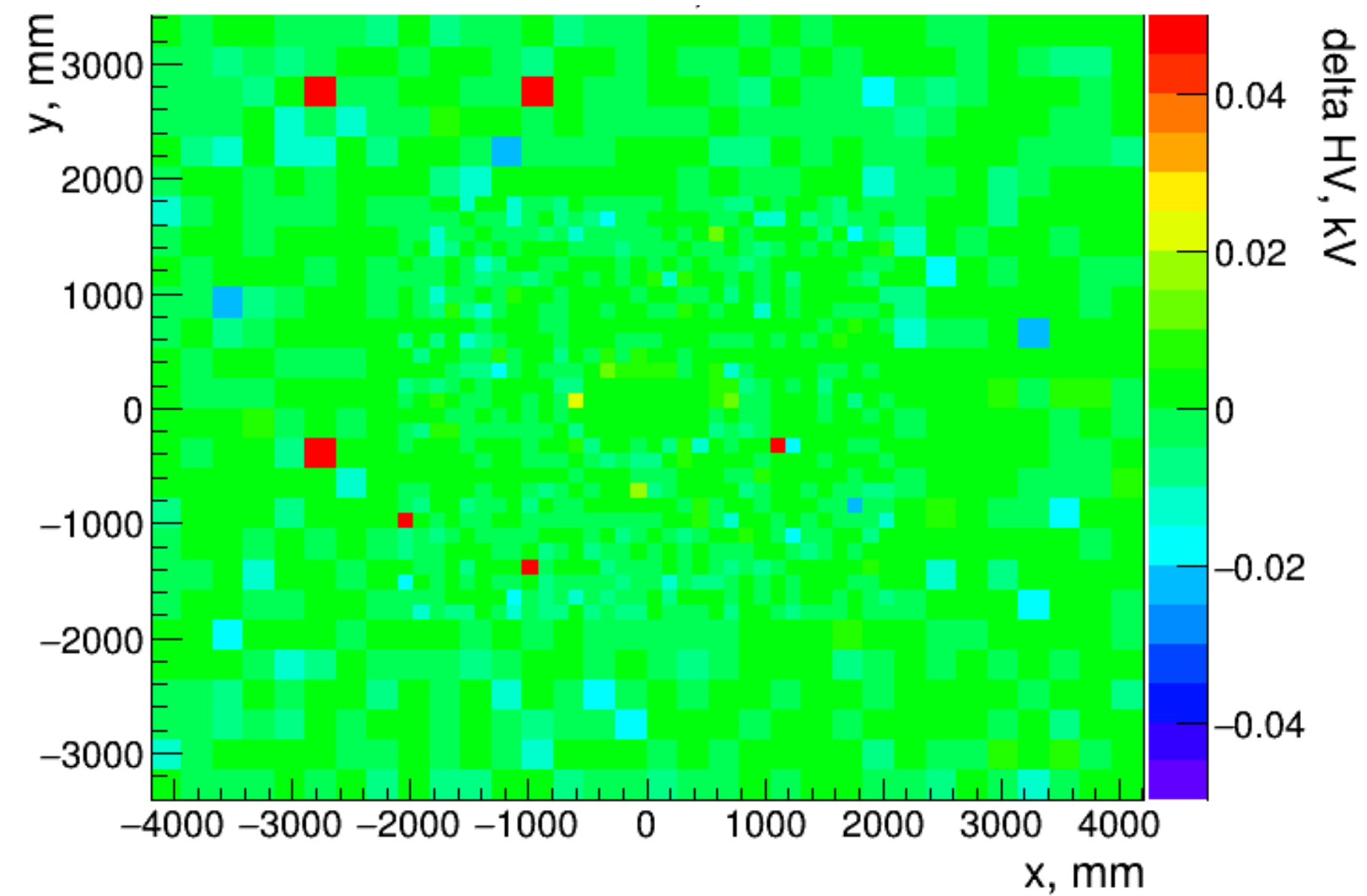
- neutral pions based ECAL calibration every month
 - automatic LED calibration for gain adjustment at the end of every fill being implemented
- HCAL calibrated during Technical Stops with a source

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ECAL calibration with π^0

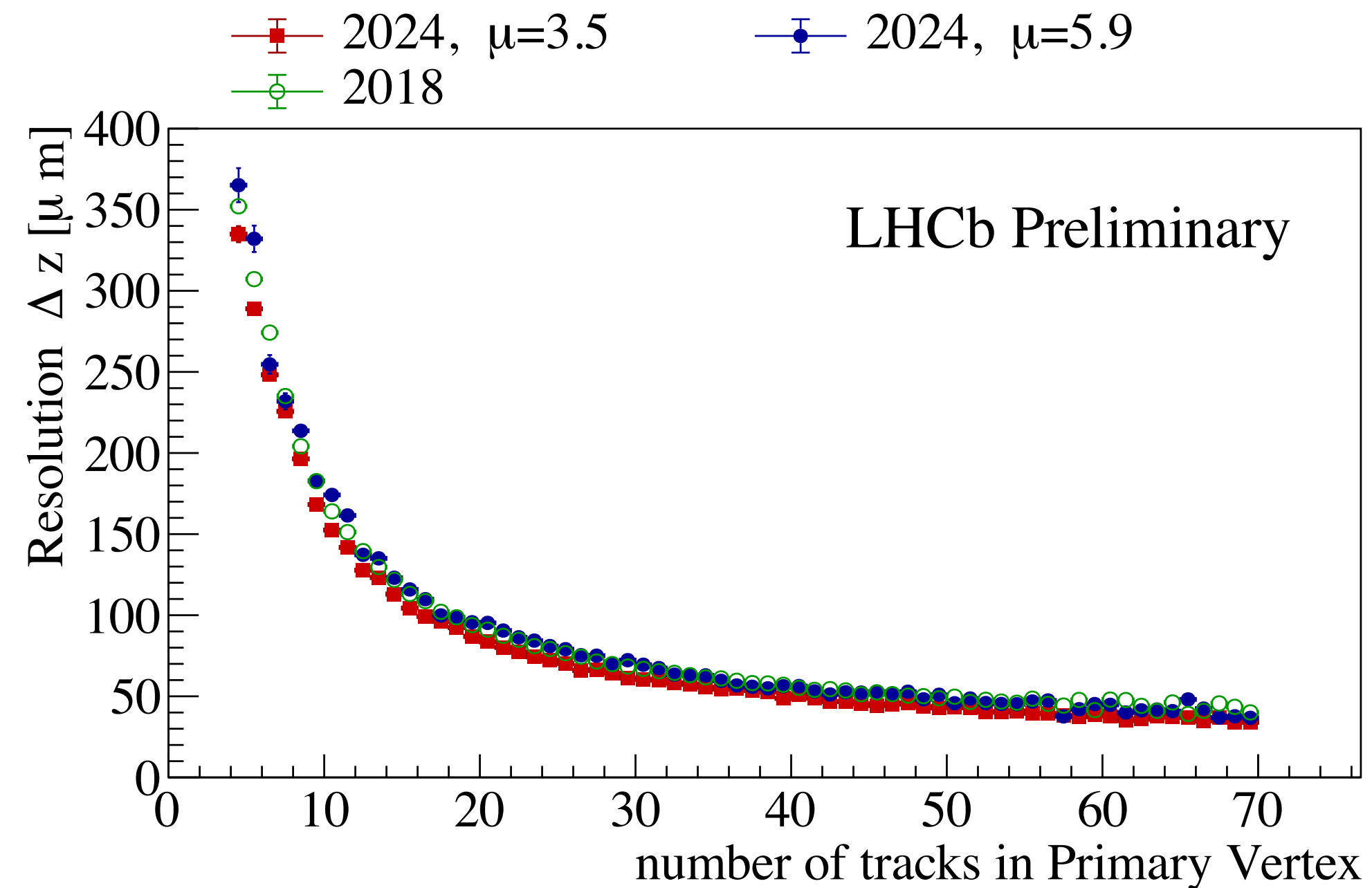
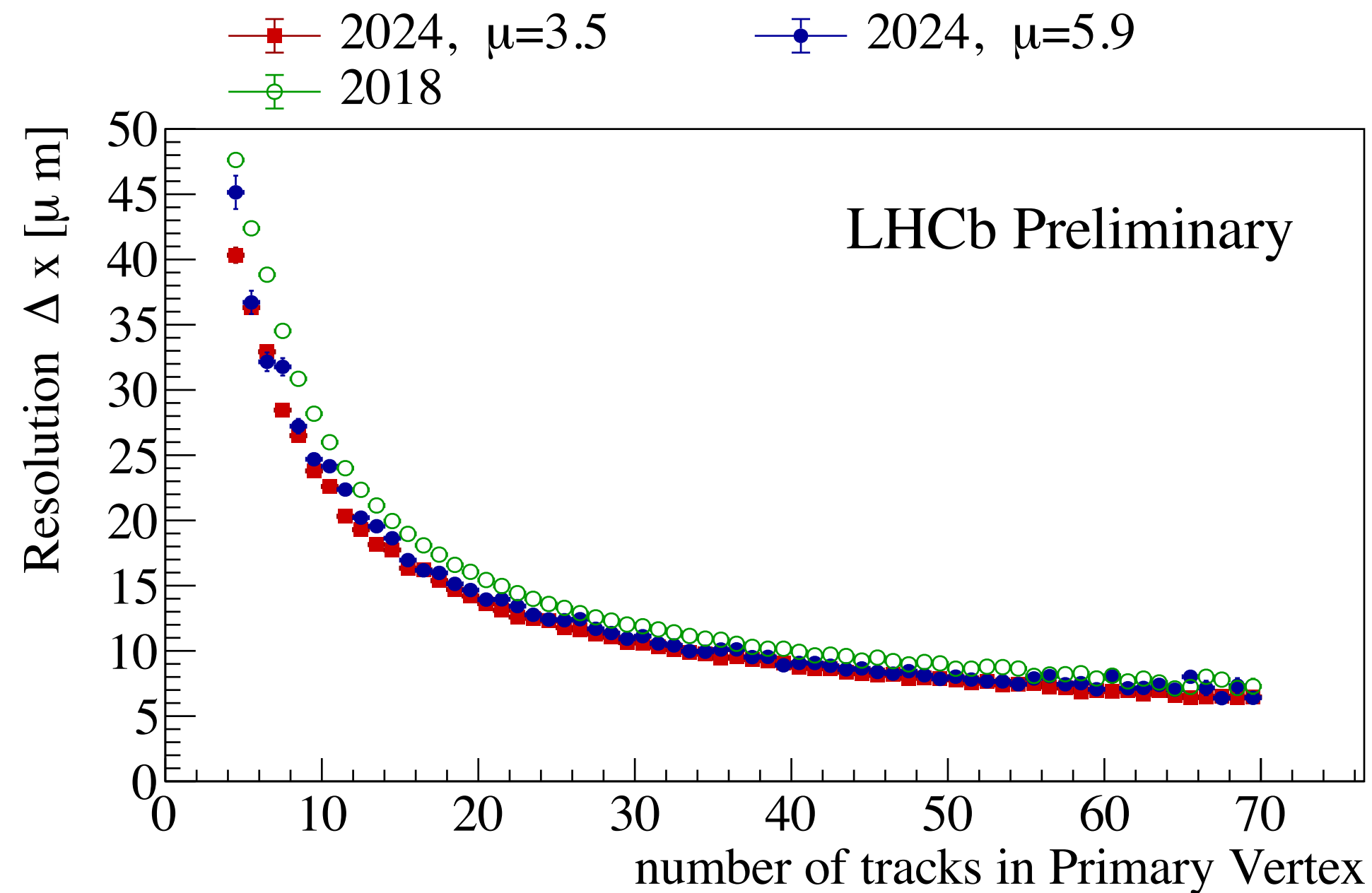


HCAL calibration with ^{137}Cs



Comparable performance to Run 2 at higher instantaneous luminosity

- early measurement, further improvements expected



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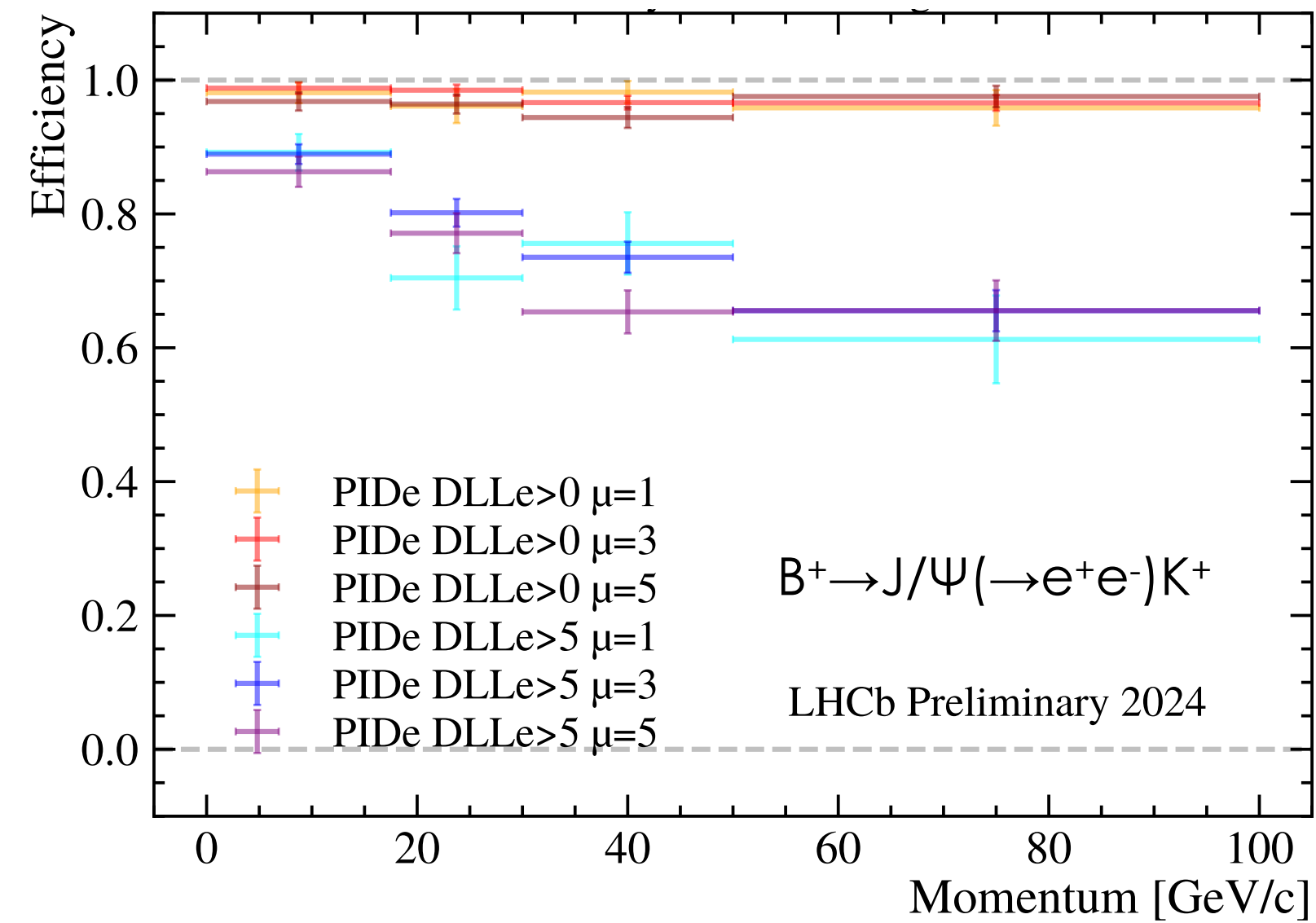
PID: muon & electron

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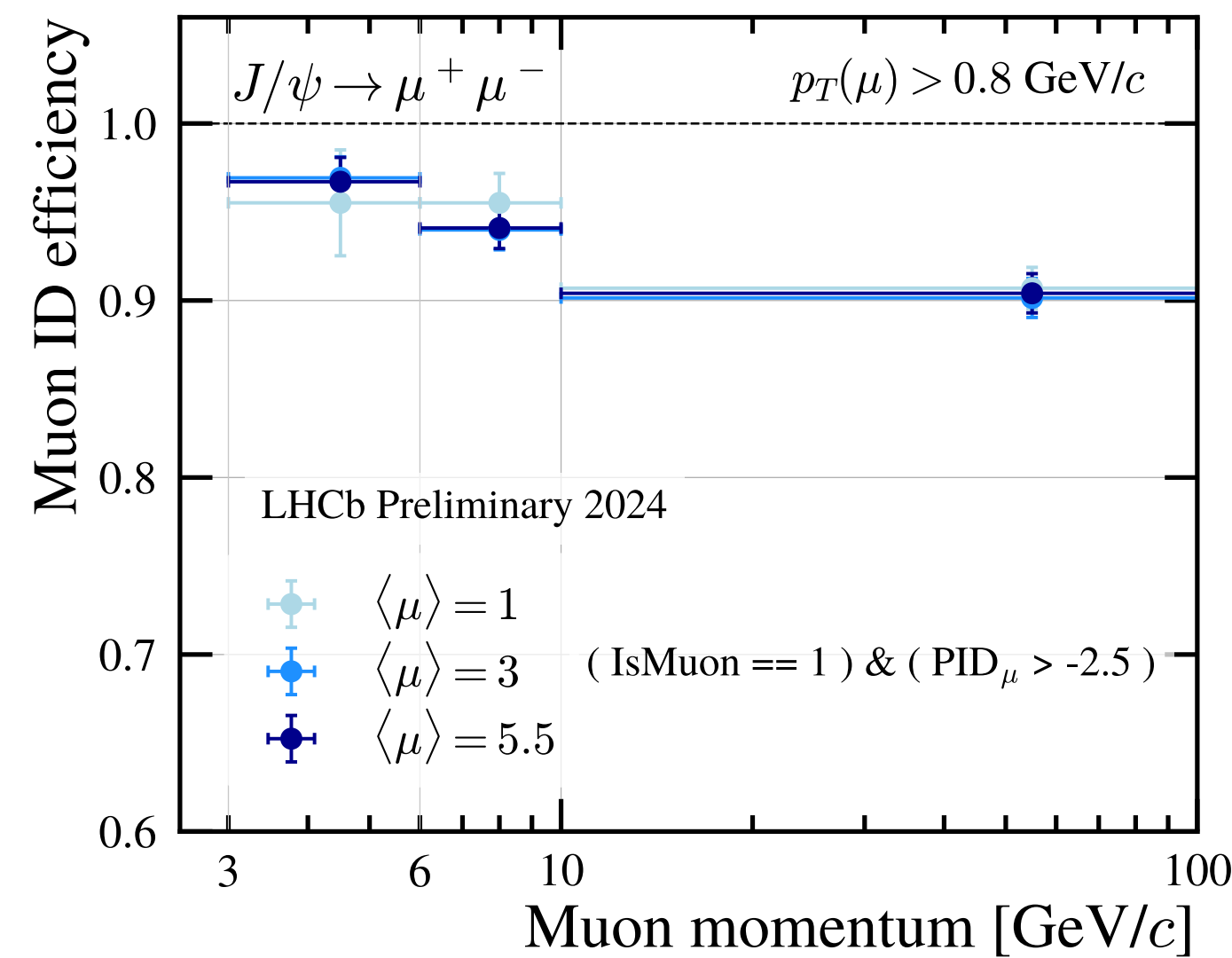
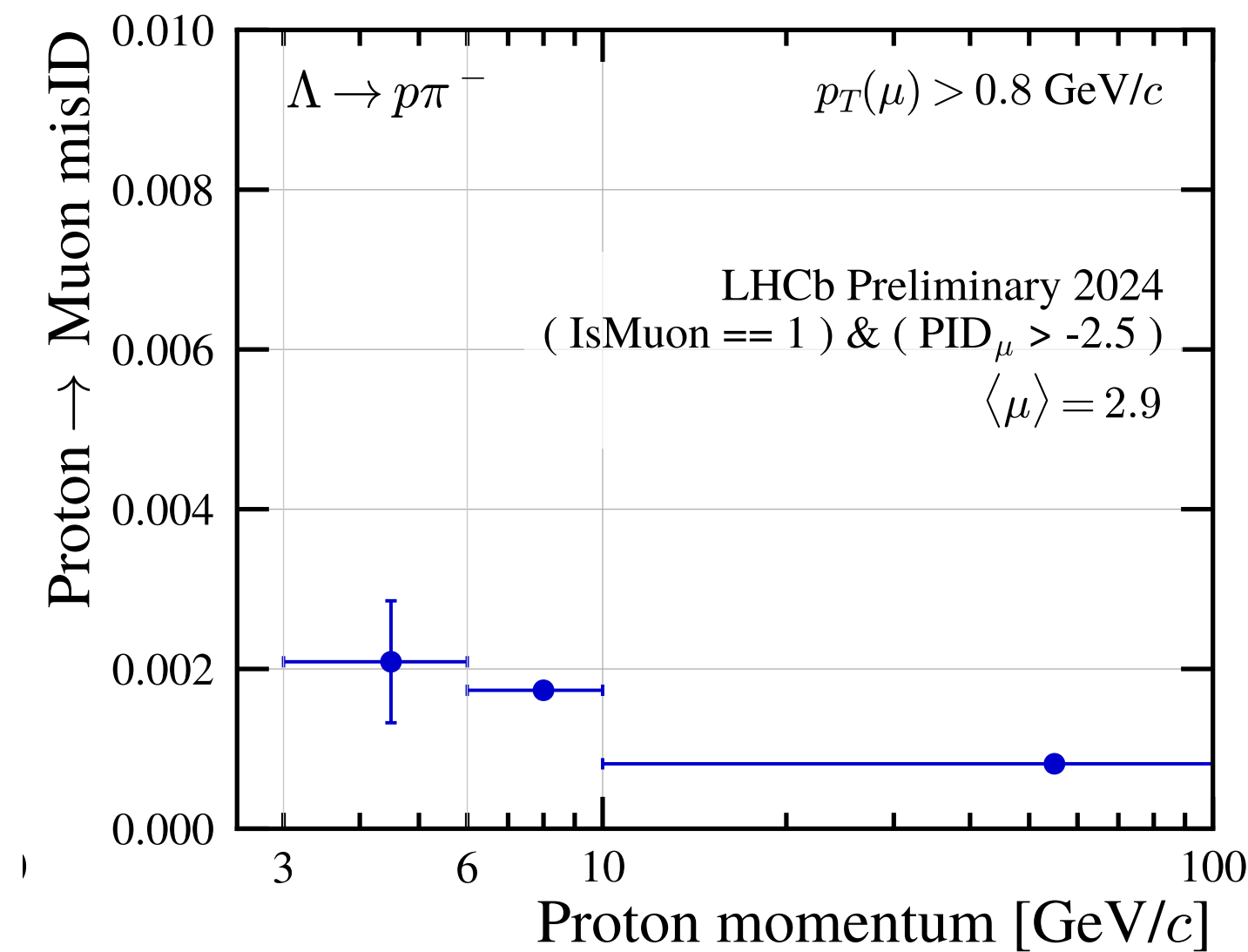
Comparable performance of electron and muon identification wrt Run 2

- no strong dependence observed with instantaneous luminosity

both electrons with brem photon associated



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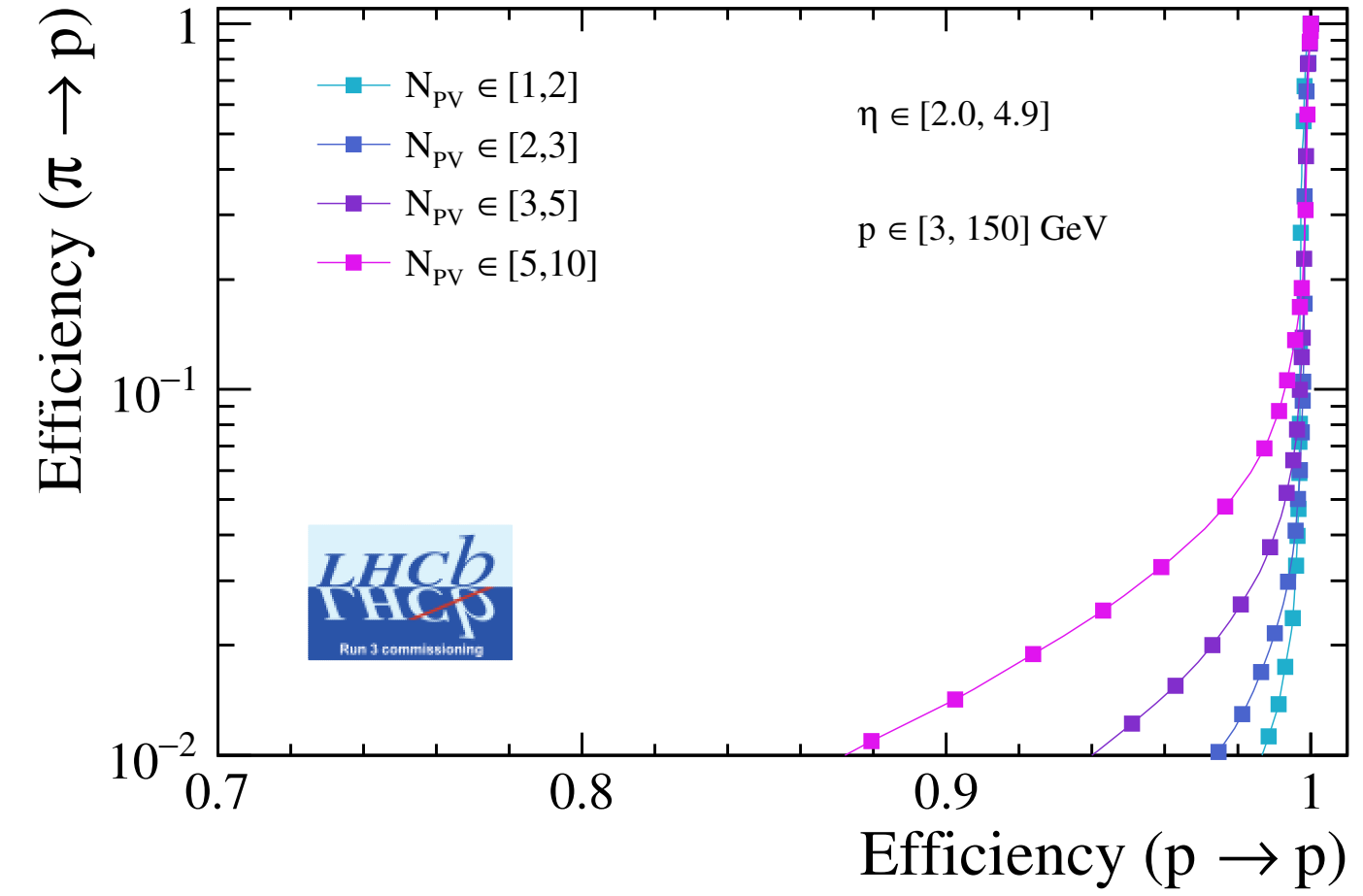
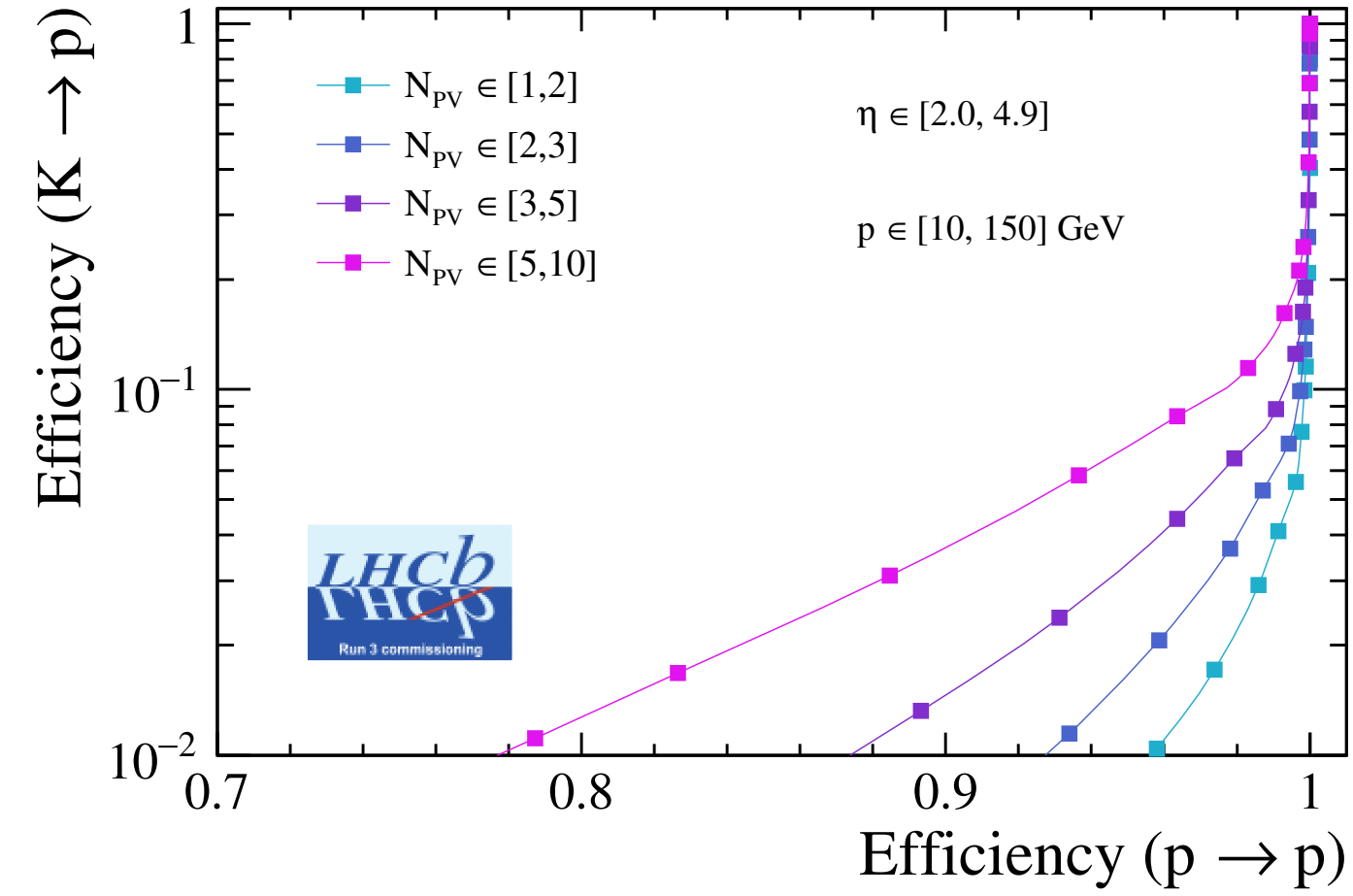
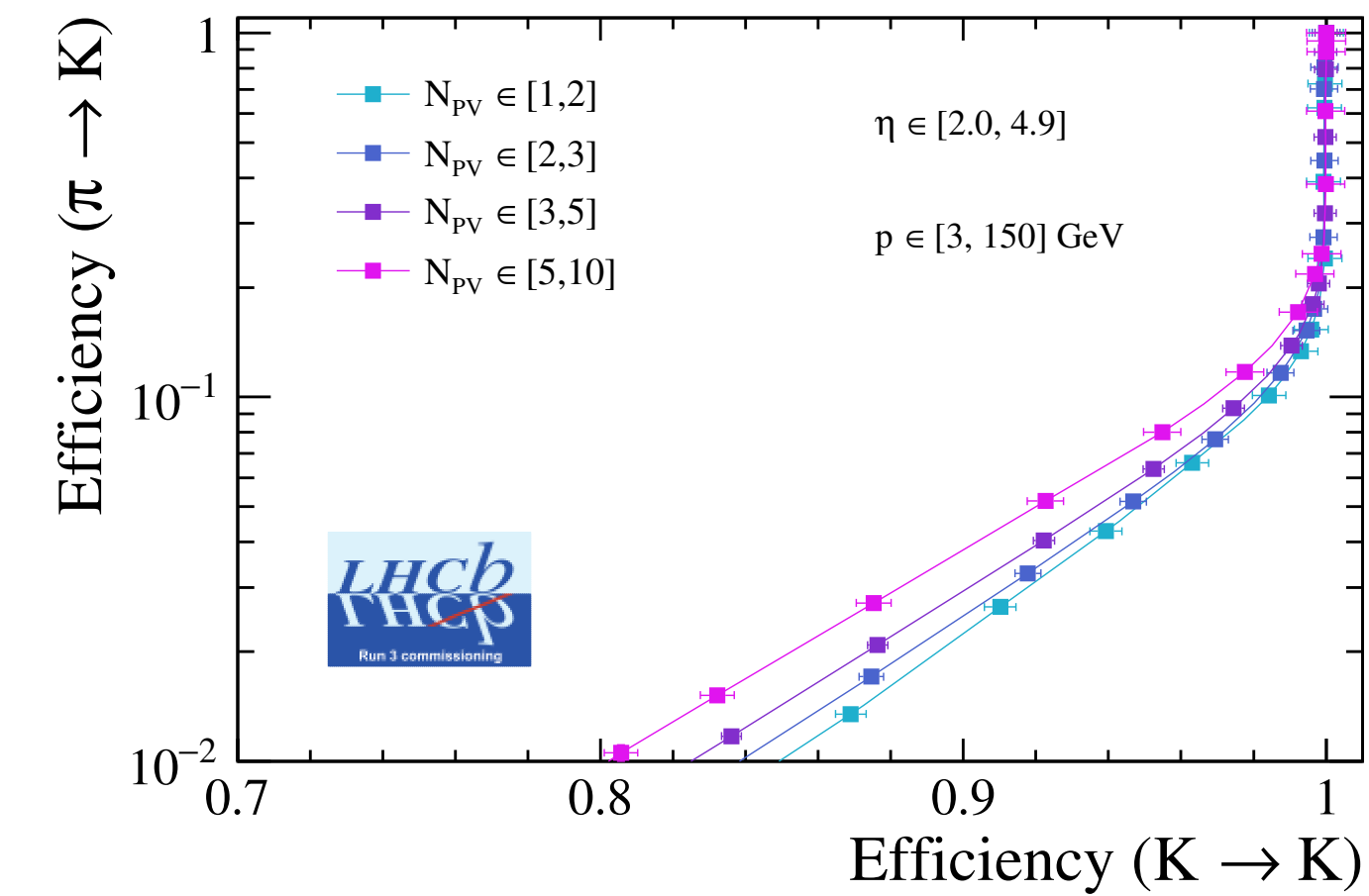


see M. Atzeni talk for more details!

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misidentification vs identification efficiency

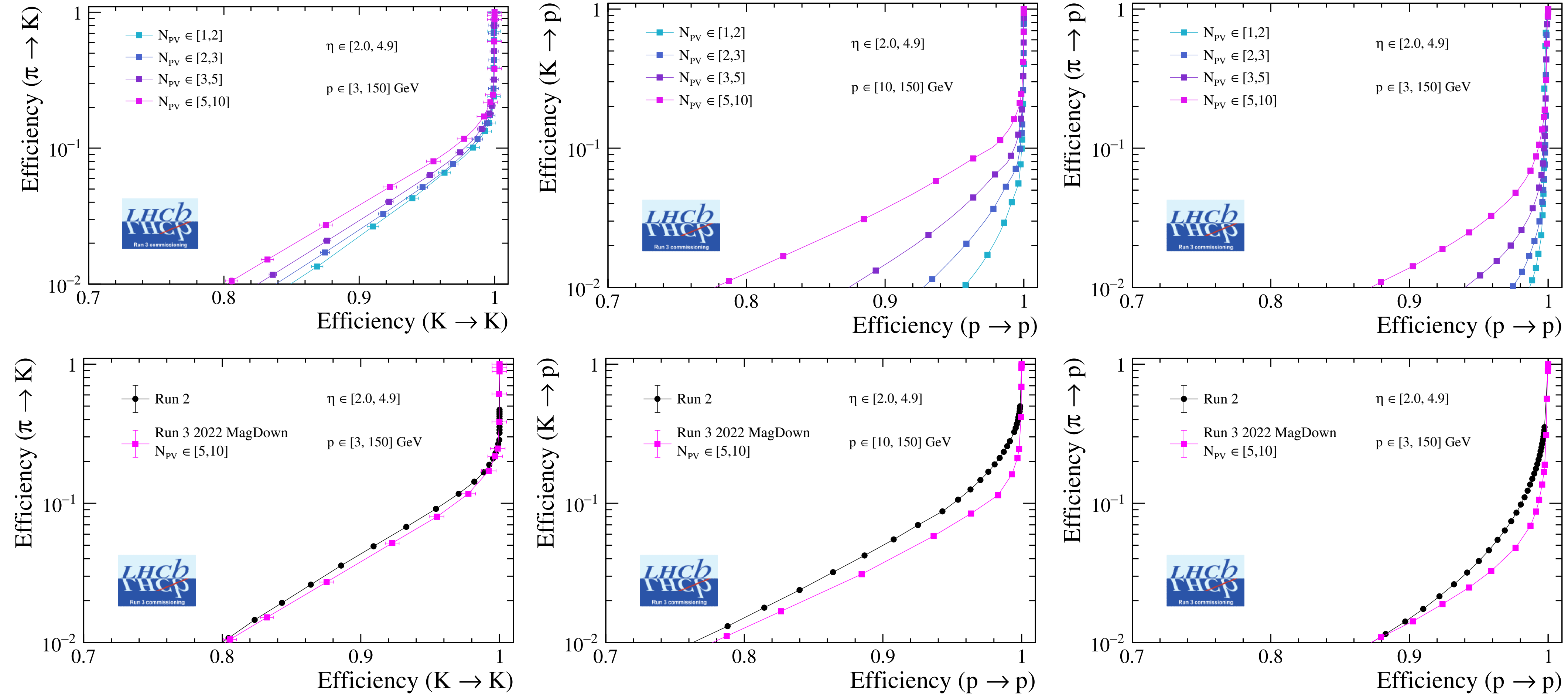


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PID as good as Run2 but operating at 5x instantaneous luminosity

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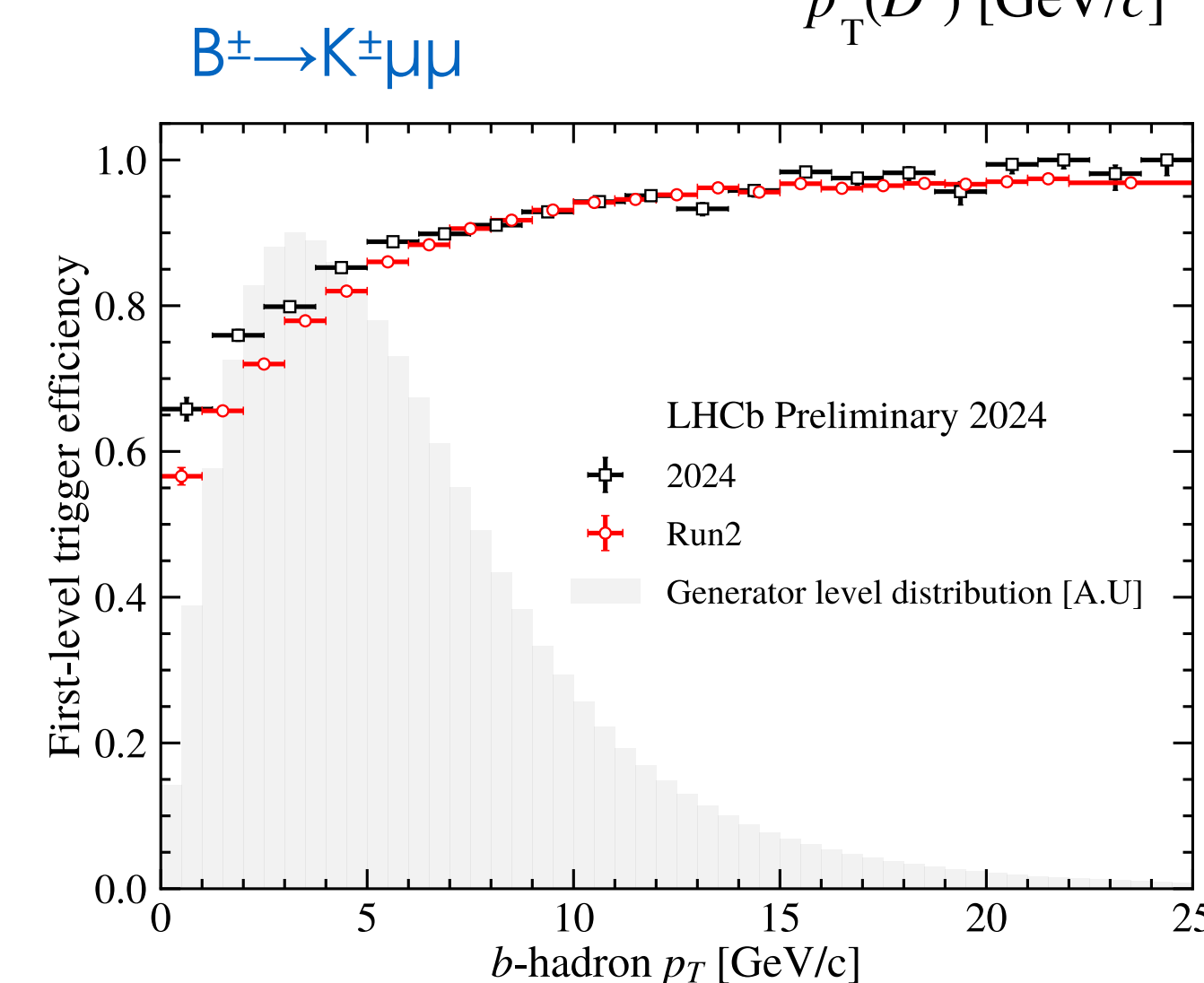
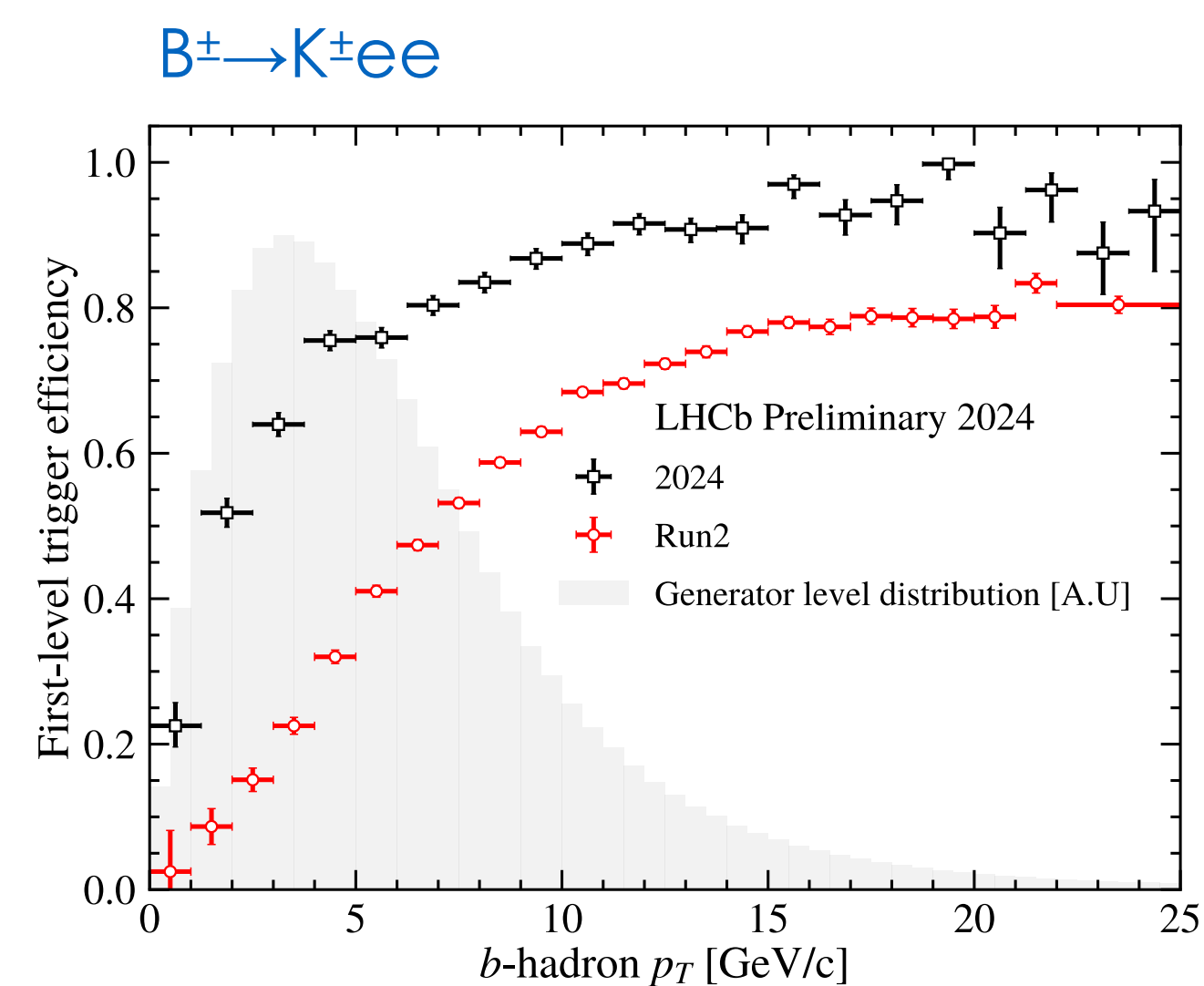
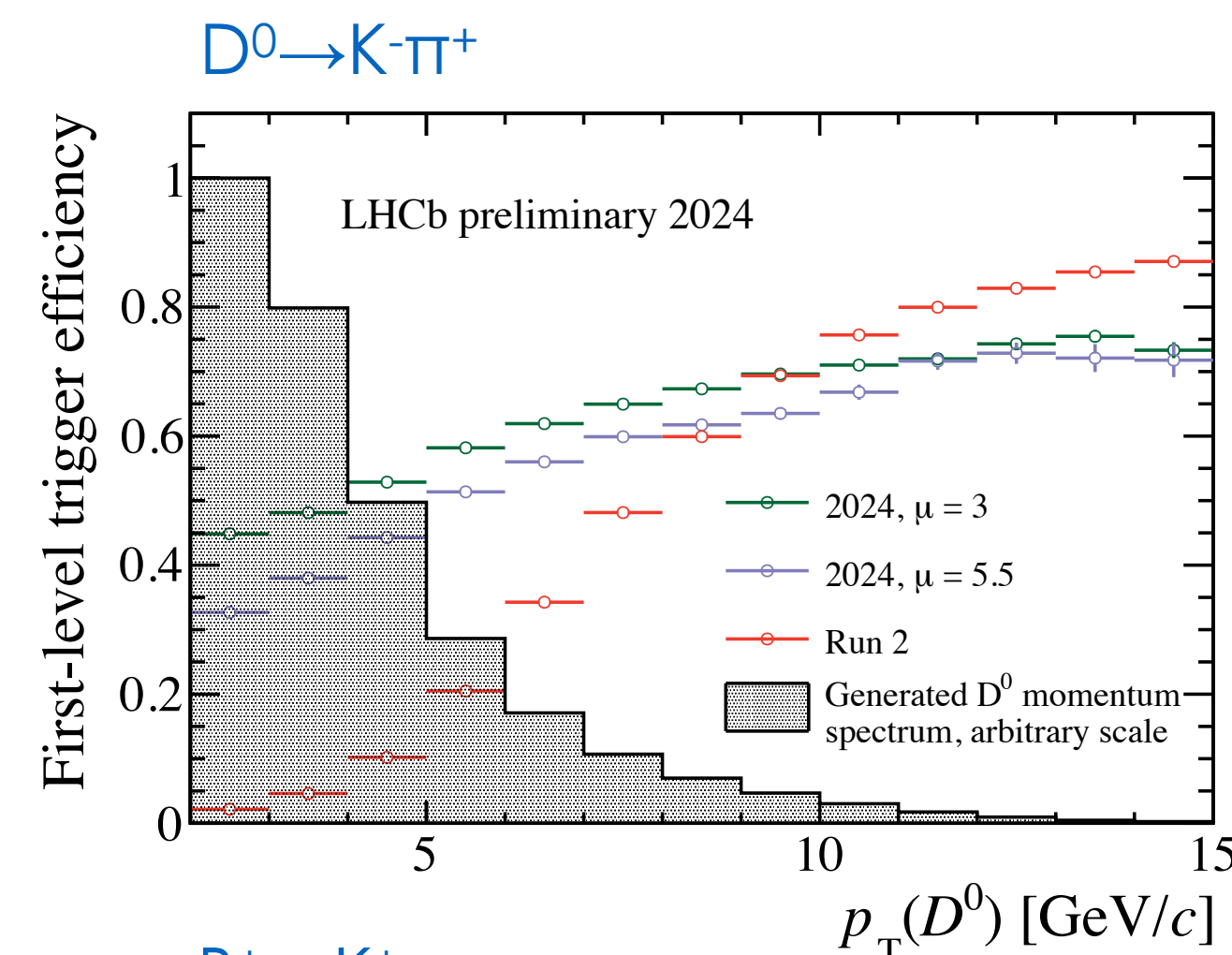
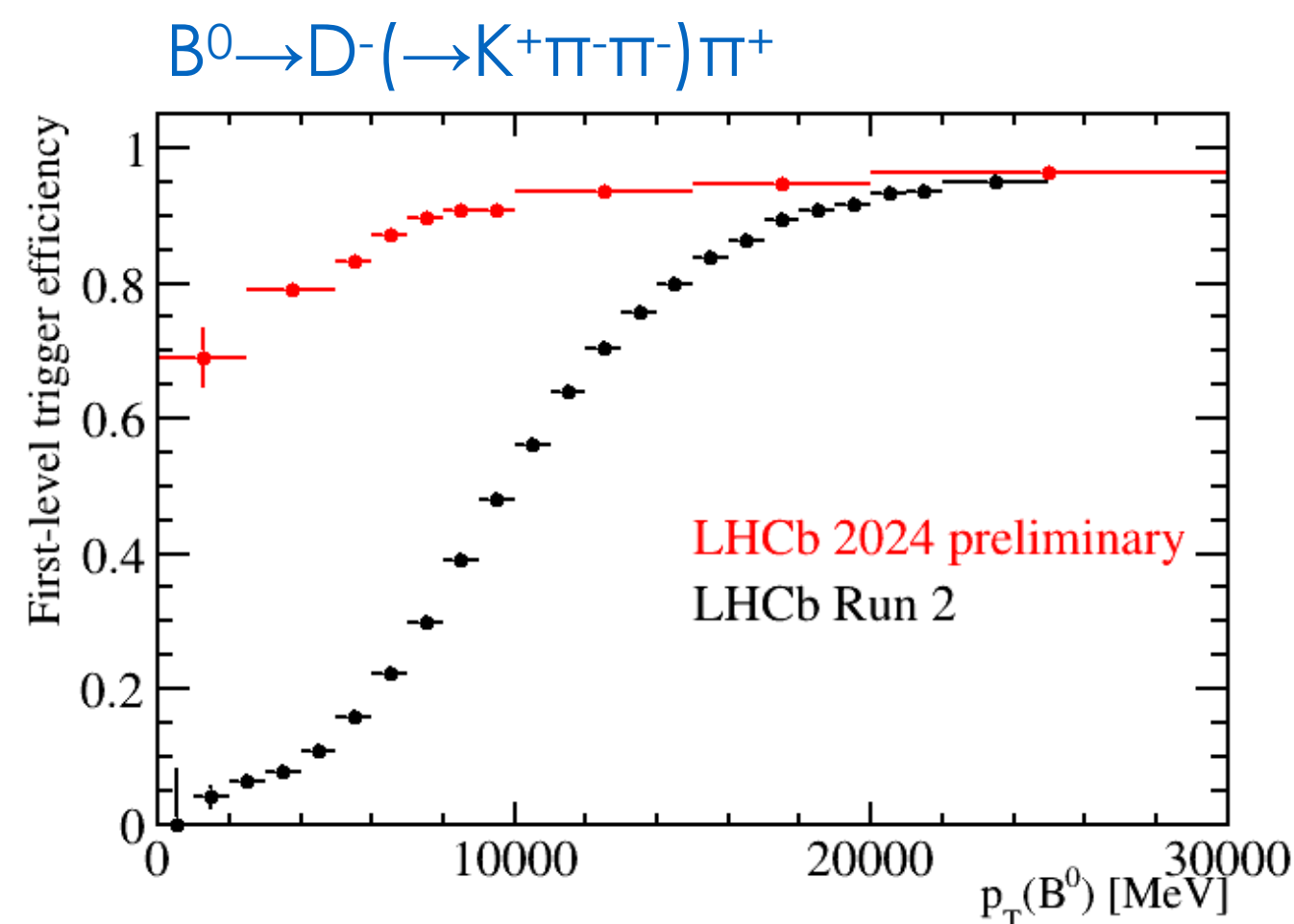
Trigger efficiency

LHCb-FIGURE-2024-006
LHCb-FIGURE-2024-007
LHCb-FIGURE-2024-014

Significant improvements wrt Run 2 in terms of efficiencies at HLT1

- charm benefits at low P_T where bulk of the signal lies
- significant gain for electron channels
- comparable performance wrt Run 2 for muon channels

see K. Richardson talk for more details!



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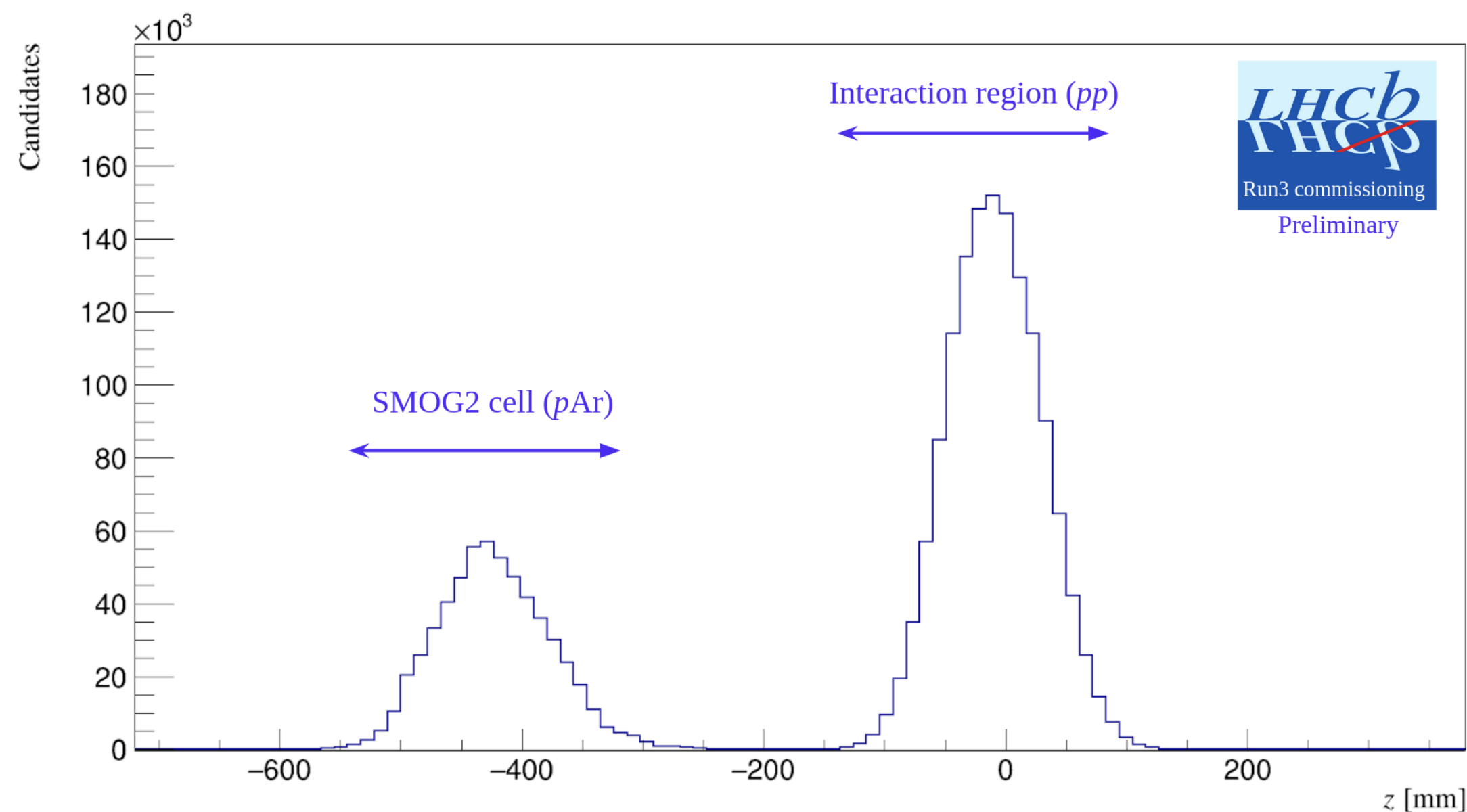
LHCb-FIGURE-2023-001
LHCb-FIGURE-2024-005

- unique possibility in LHCb to **inject gas** with SMOG2 and run the experiment in fixed target mode
- already operated with noble gases (**He,Ne,Ar**) and **H₂**
- during the EYETS 23/24 upgraded the gas feed system to inject also **D₂,O₂**

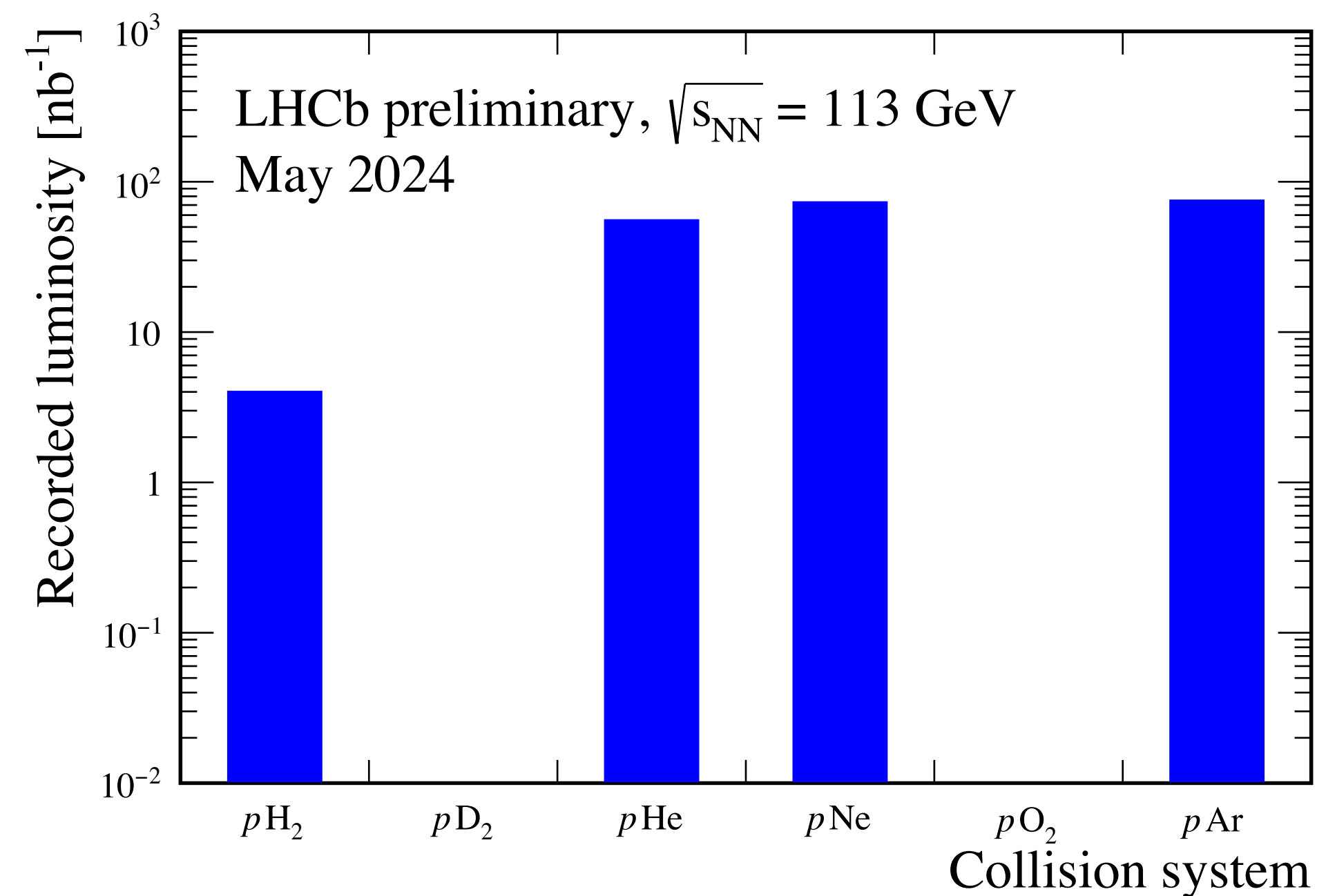
goal is to inject gas in parallel to pp/PbPb data taking throughout 2024

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primary vertices distribution



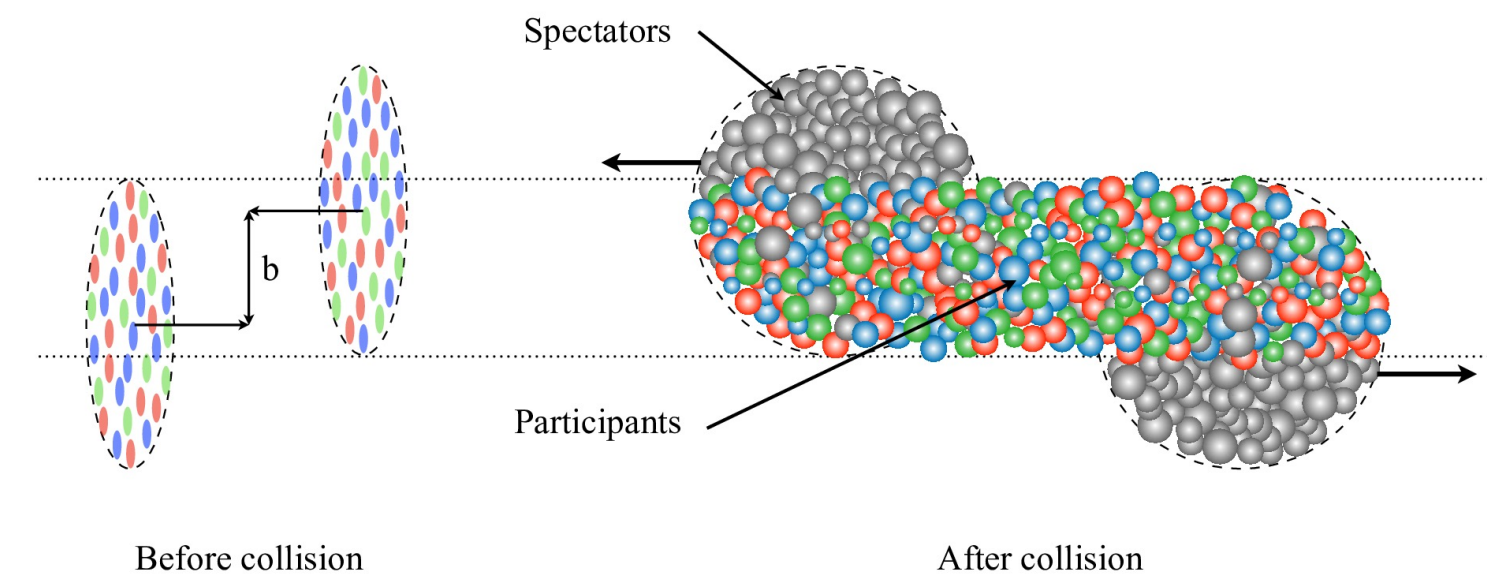
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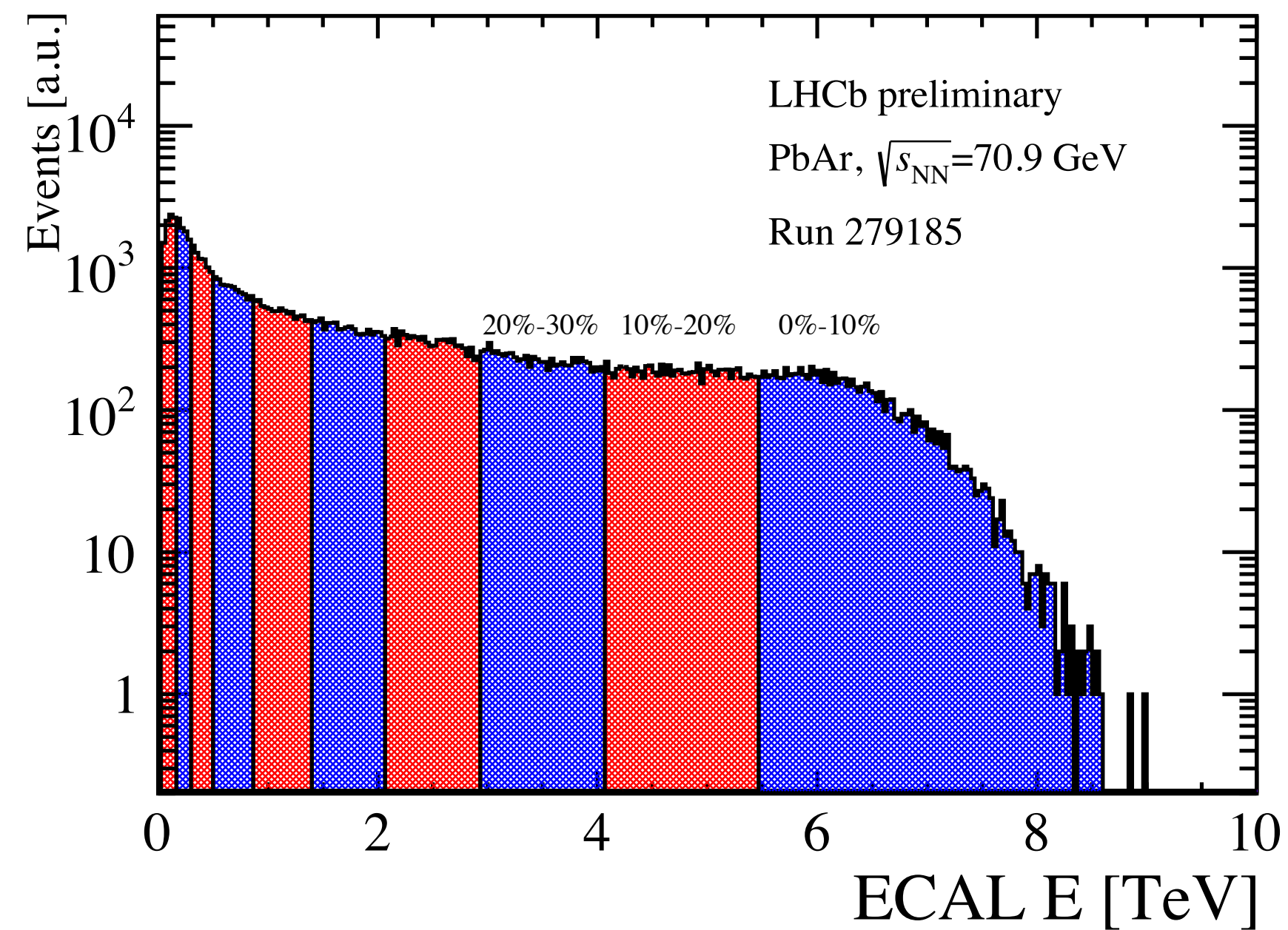
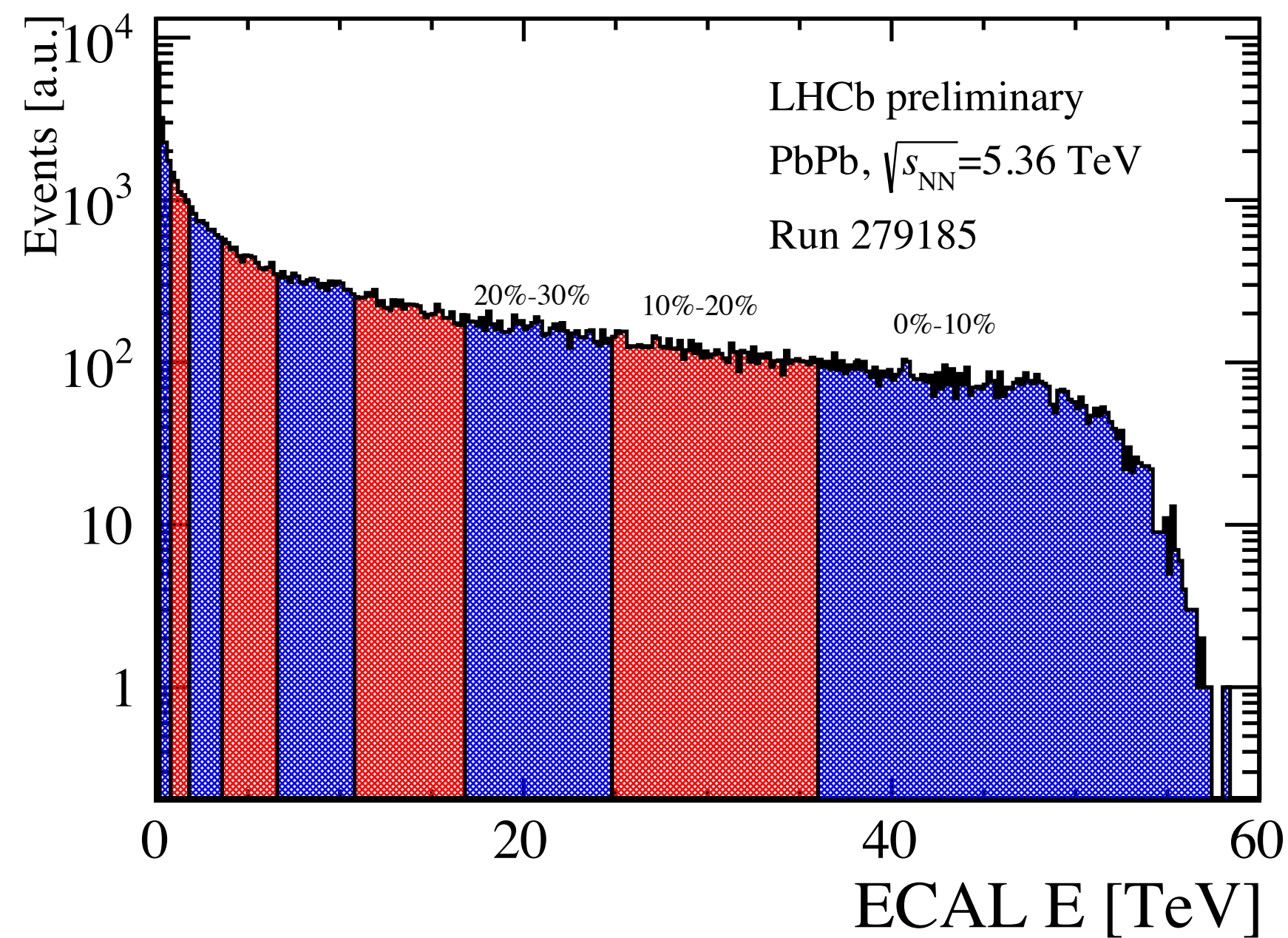
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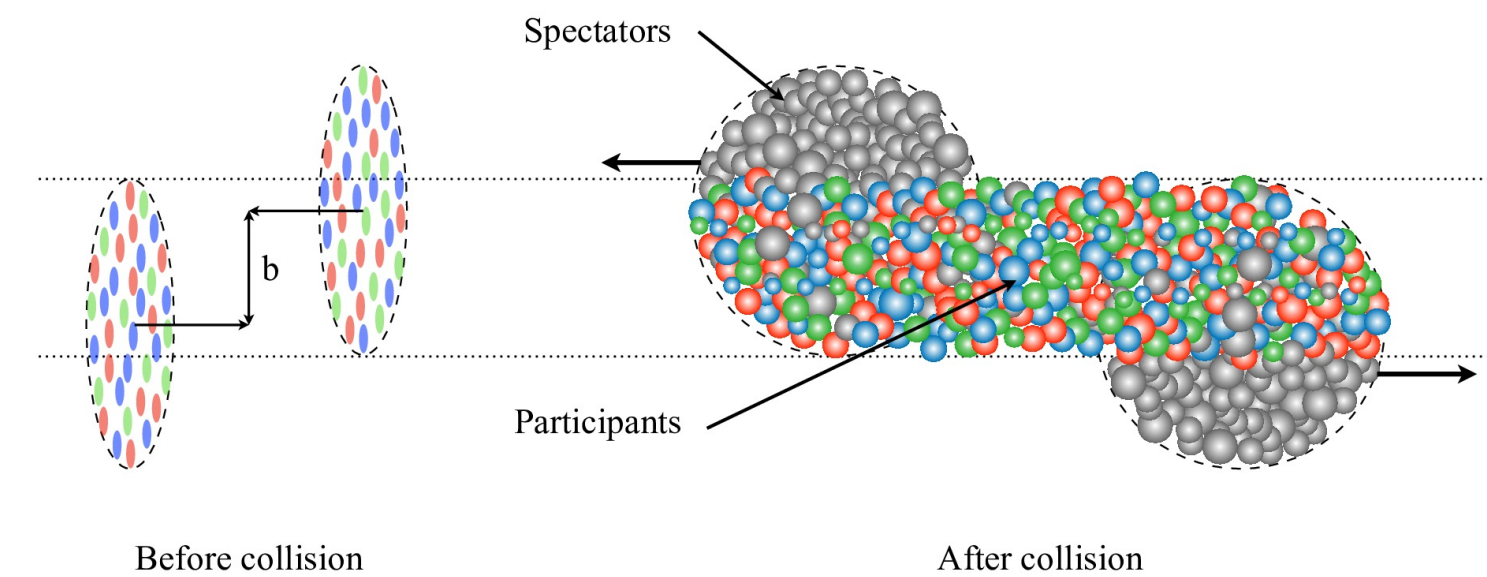
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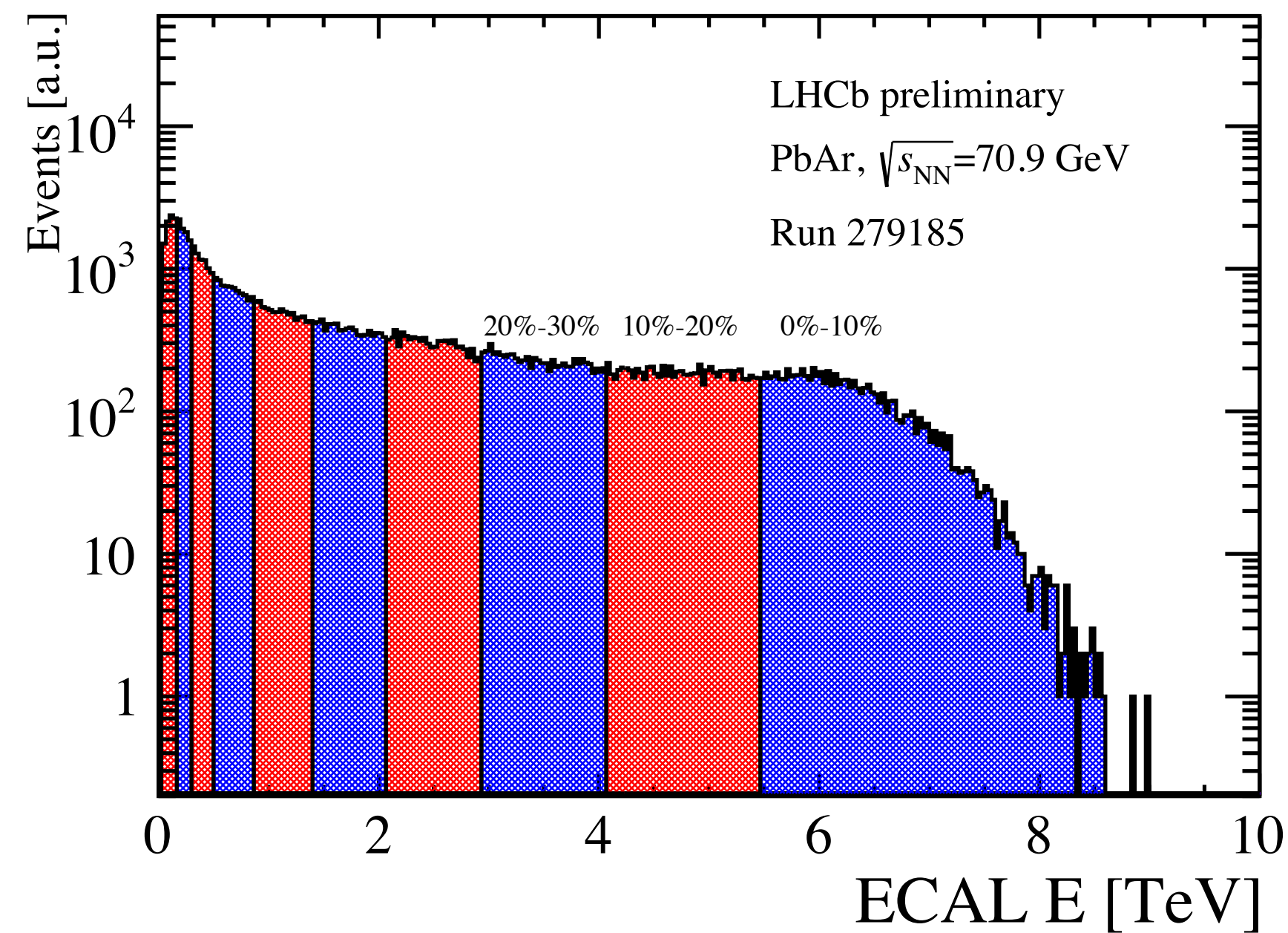
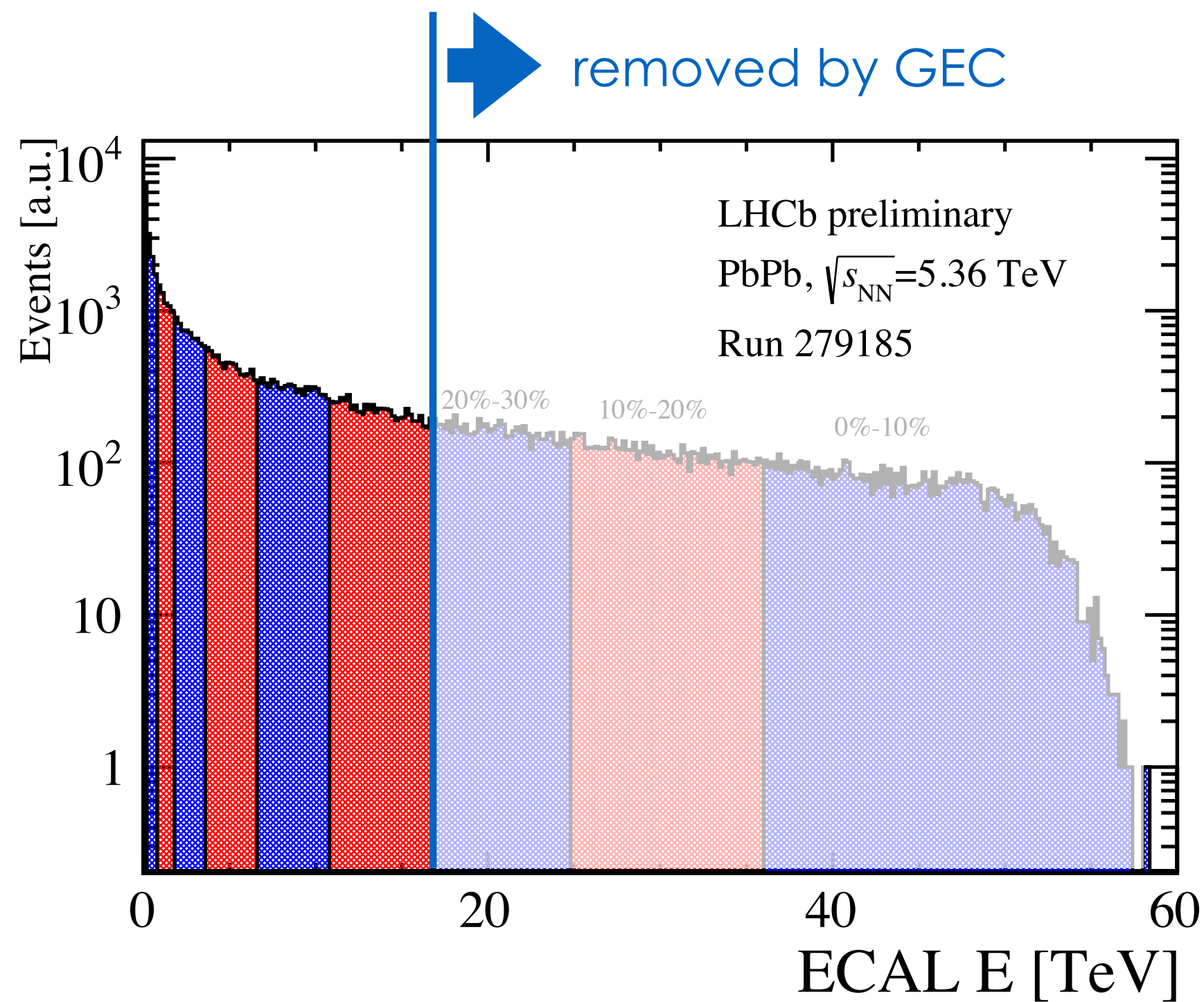
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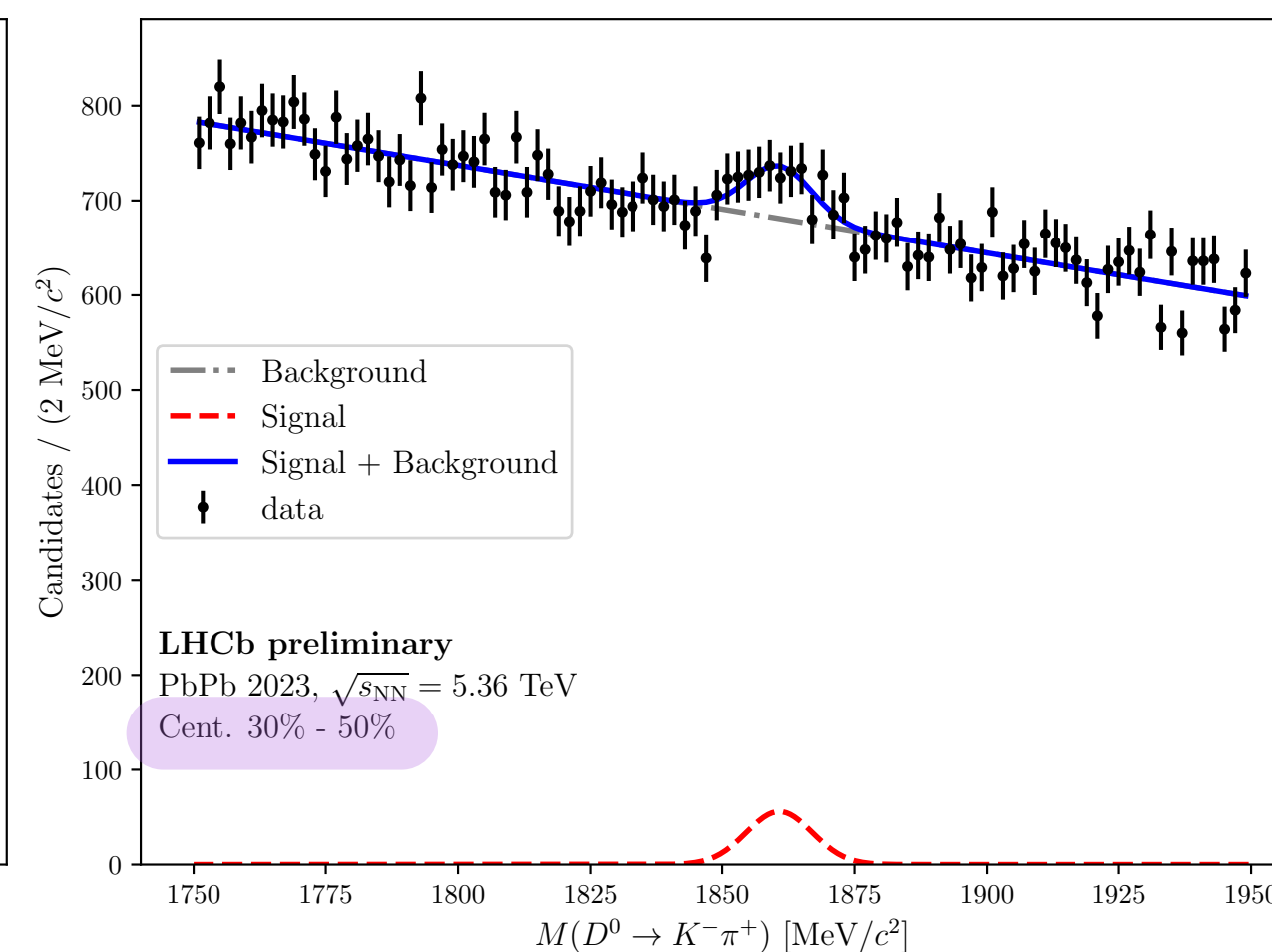
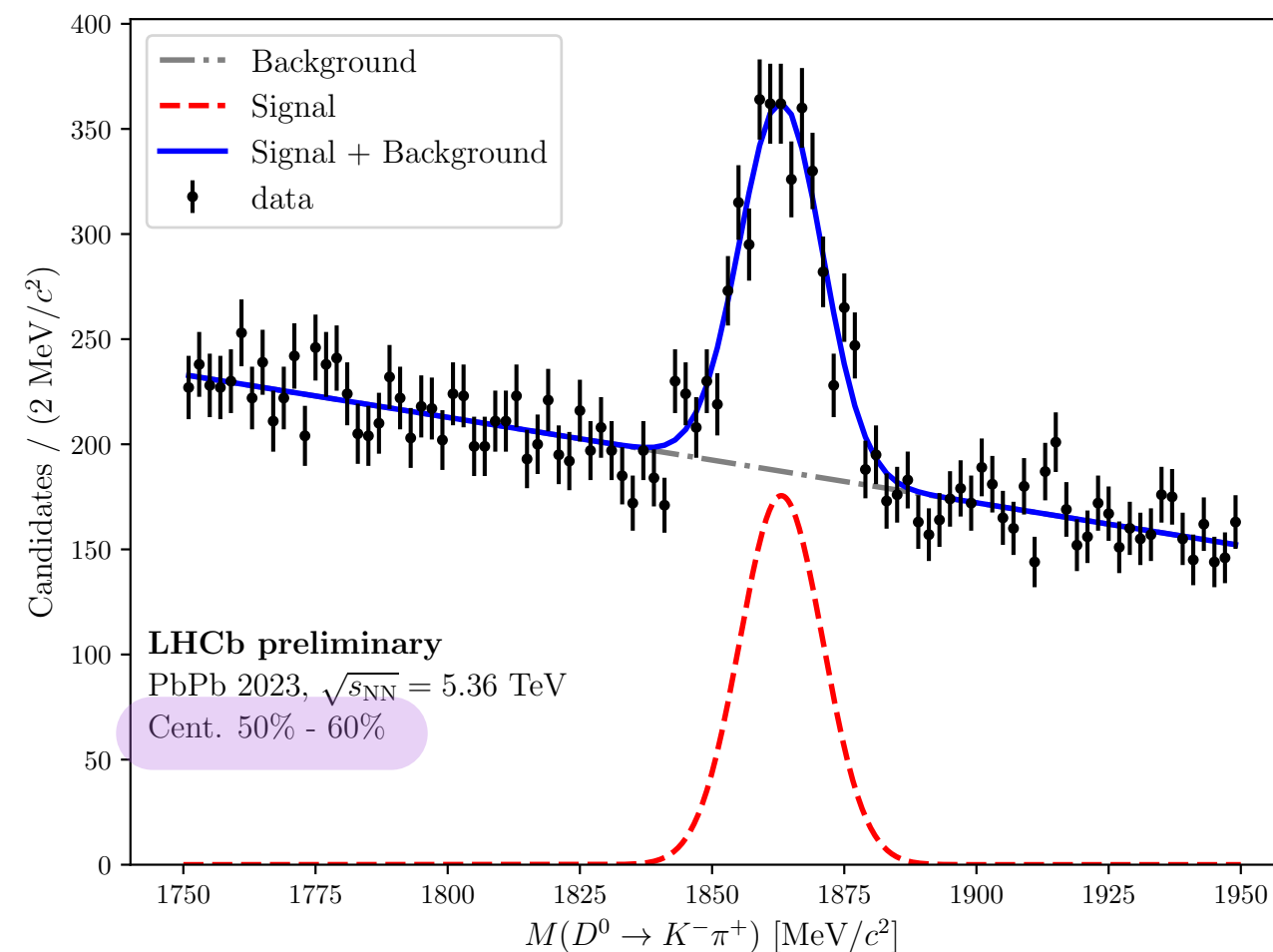
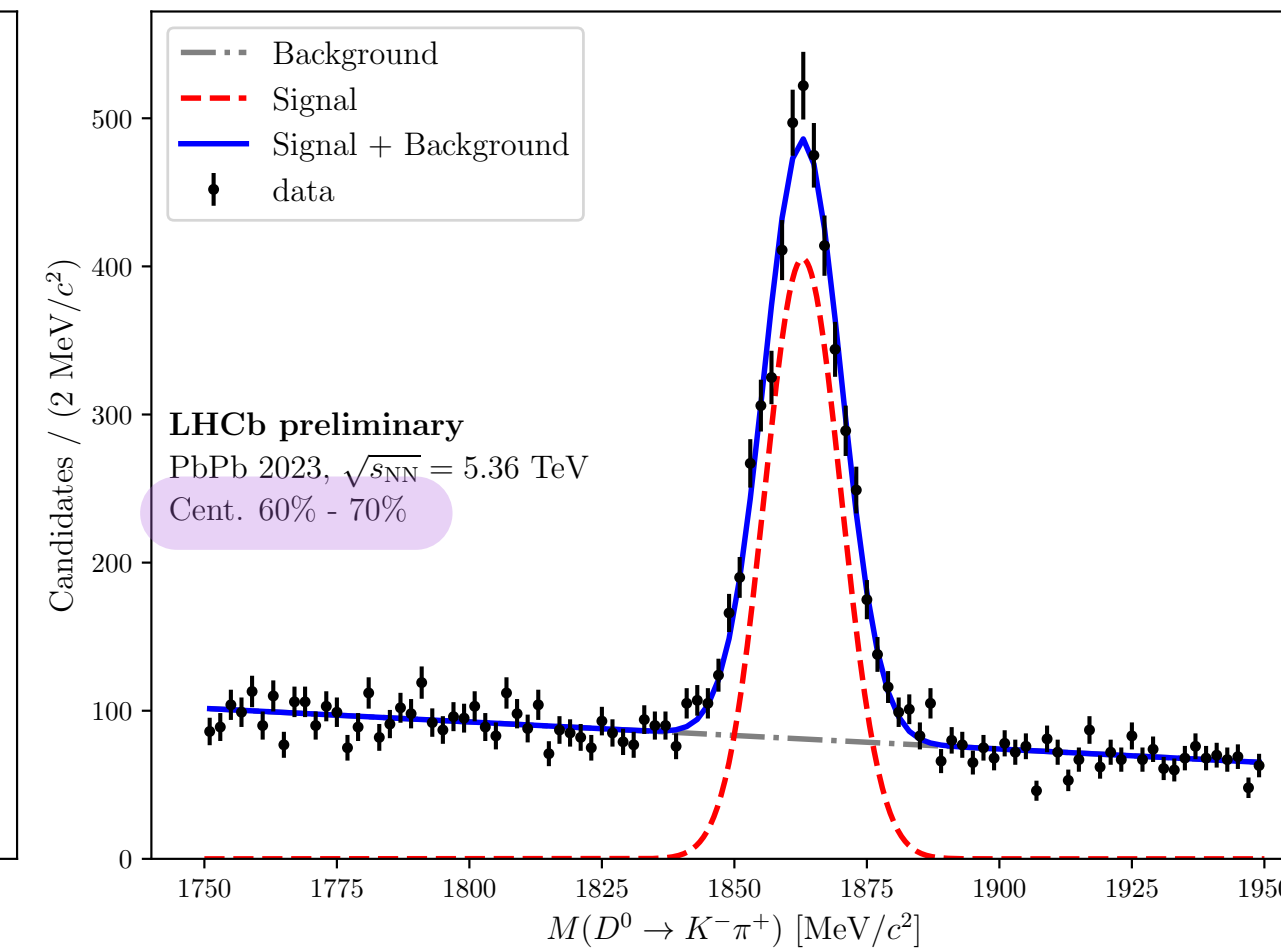
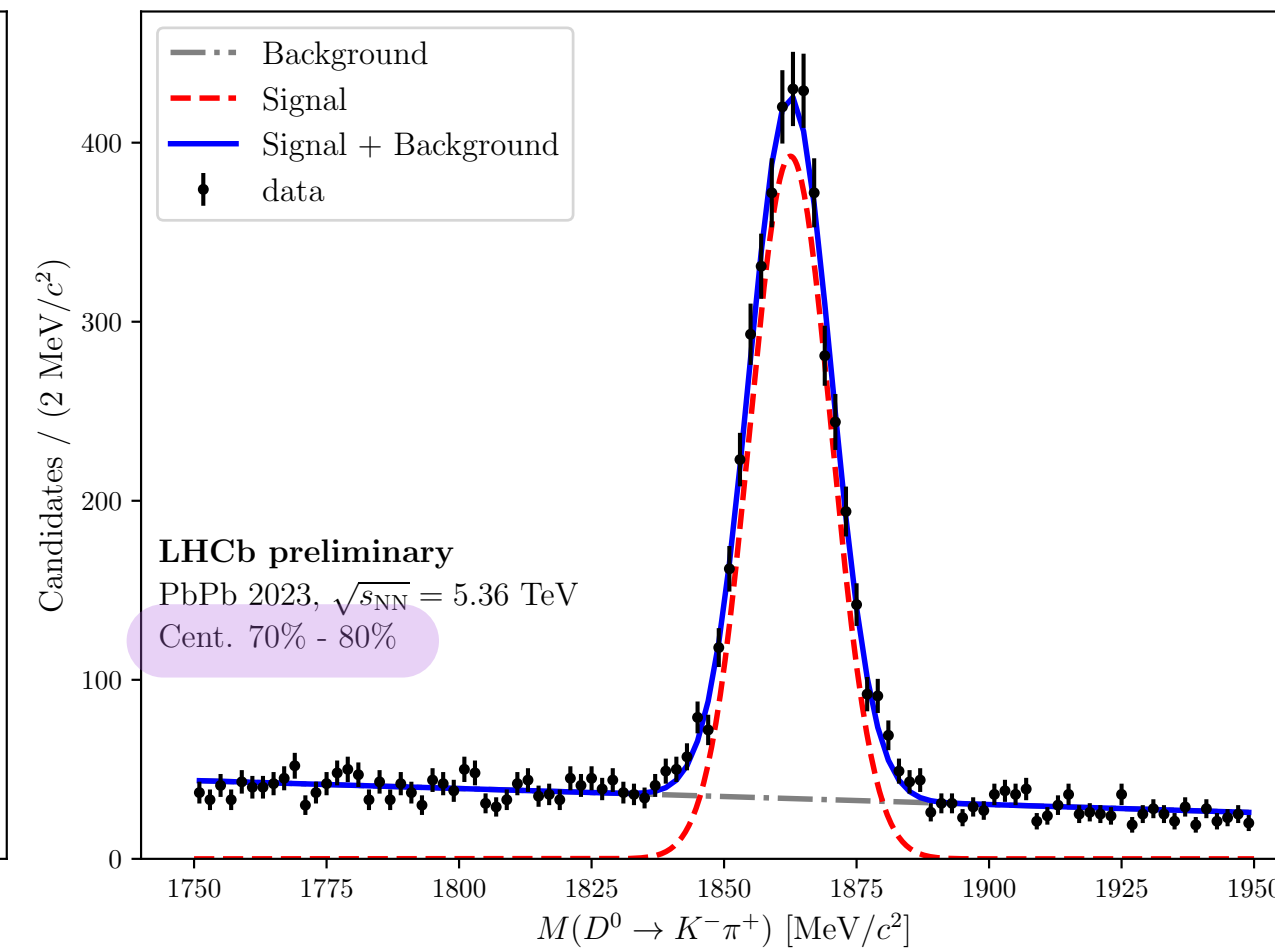
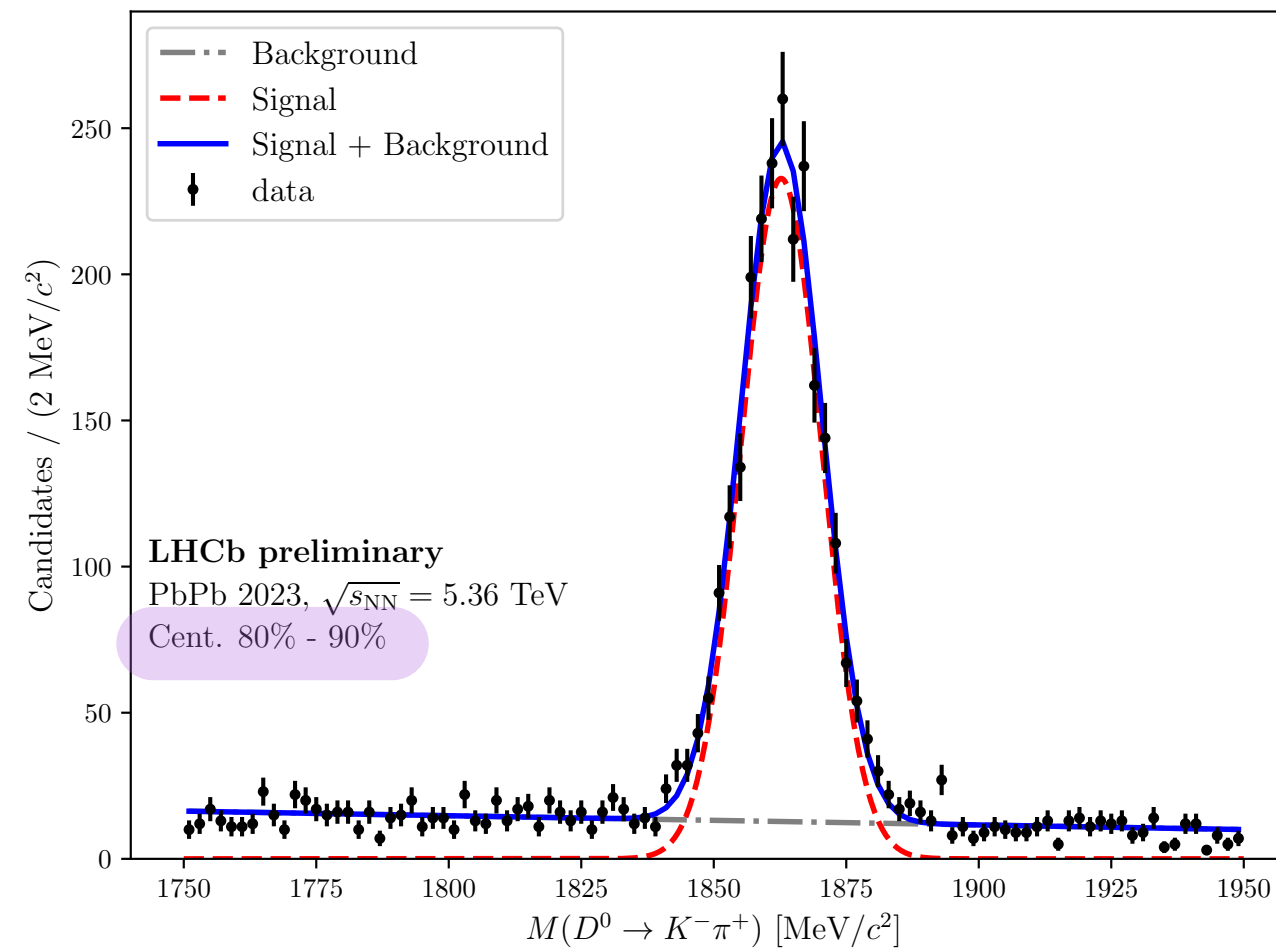
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- in Run 2 centrality limited to 70% due to VELO saturation

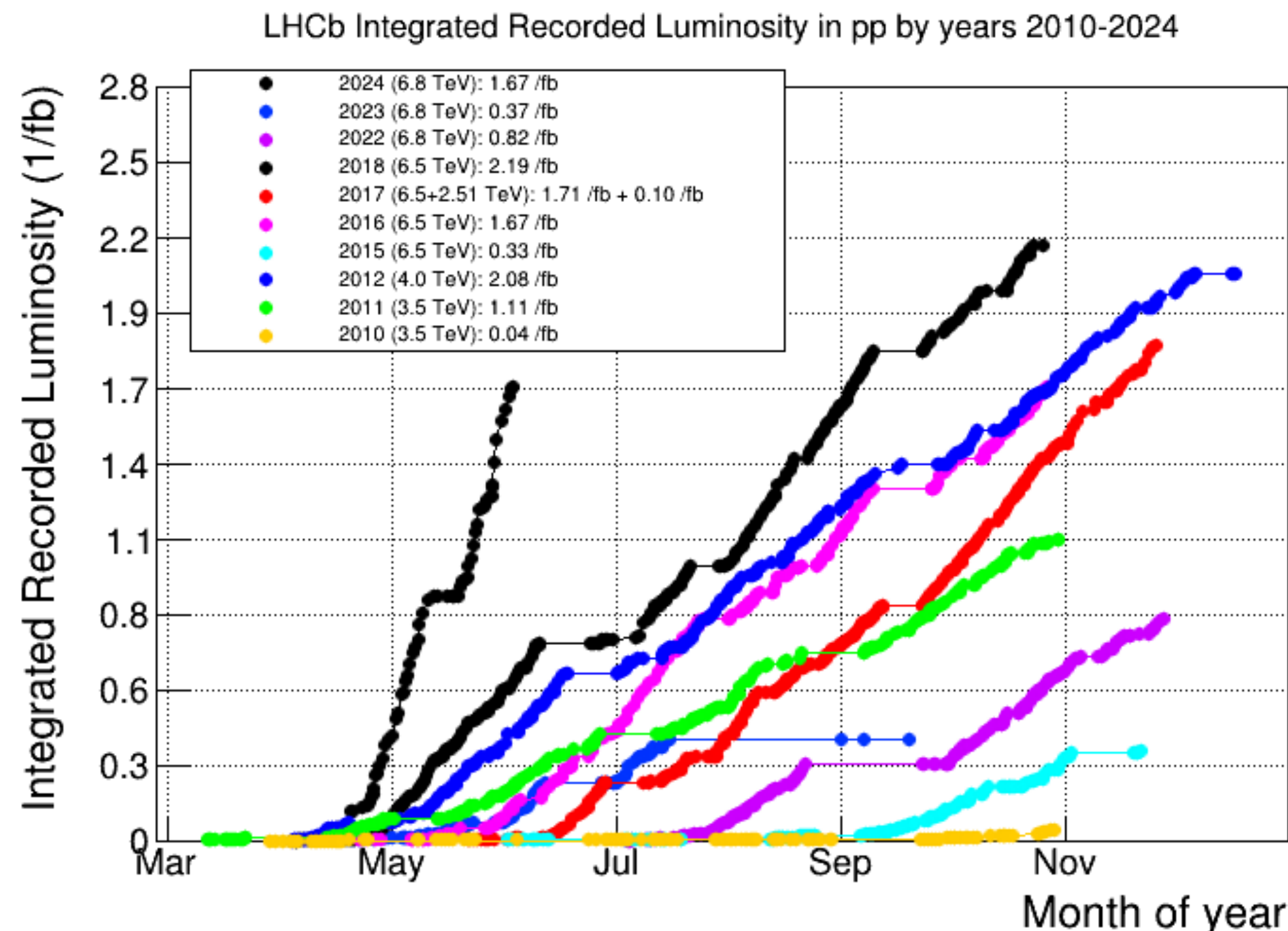


first PbPb 2023 data reconstructed down to 30% centrality

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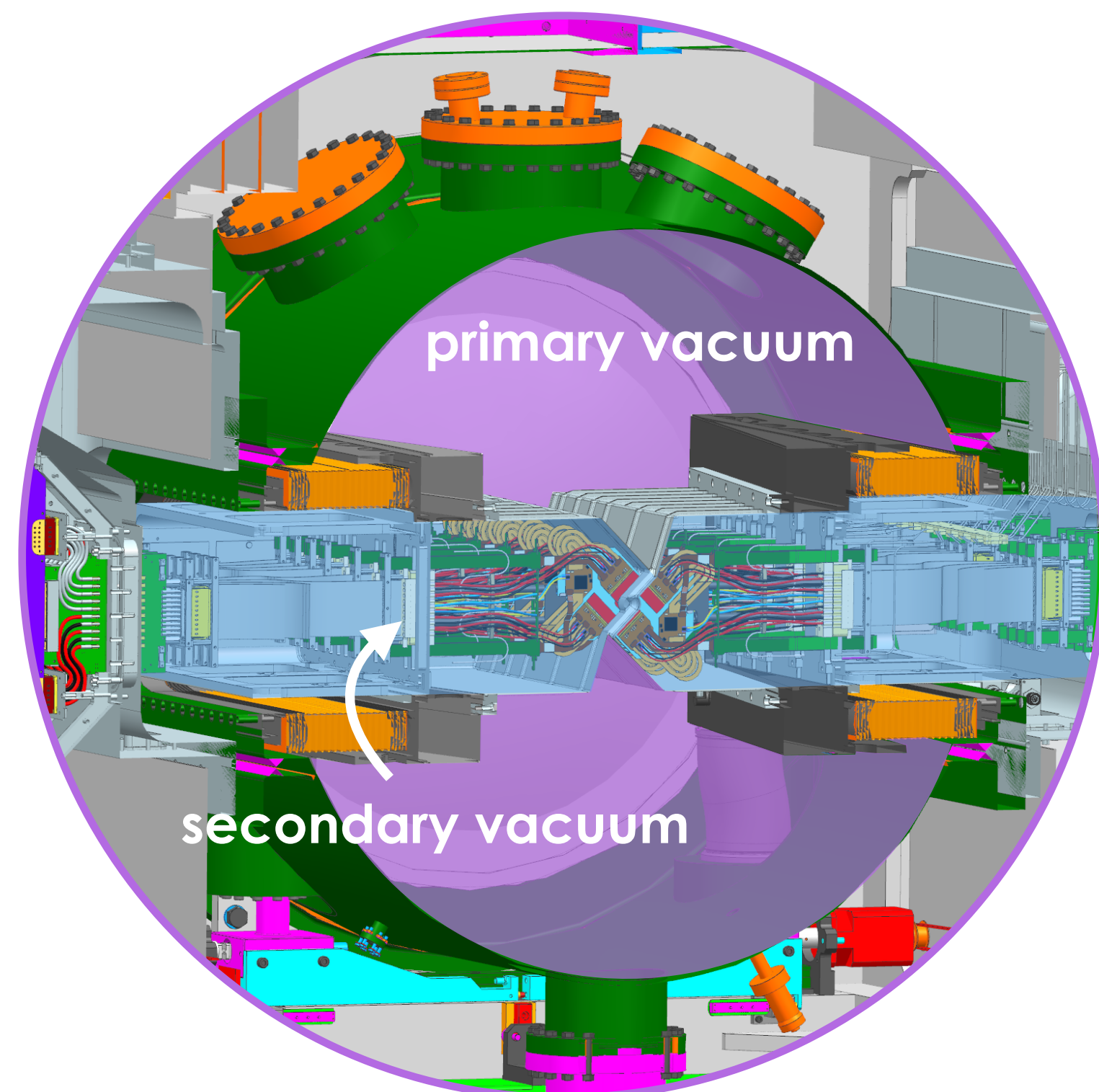
- 2024 is the **first opportunity to run at nominal conditions**: VELO fully closed and design instantaneous luminosity
- intensity ramp-up phase optimally exploited to be ready in time for luminosity production
- now operating stably with **data taking efficiency >90%** aiming at running continuously at nominal luminosity after the June Technical Stop
- **UT quickly catching up**, expected to be stably included in global data taking soon



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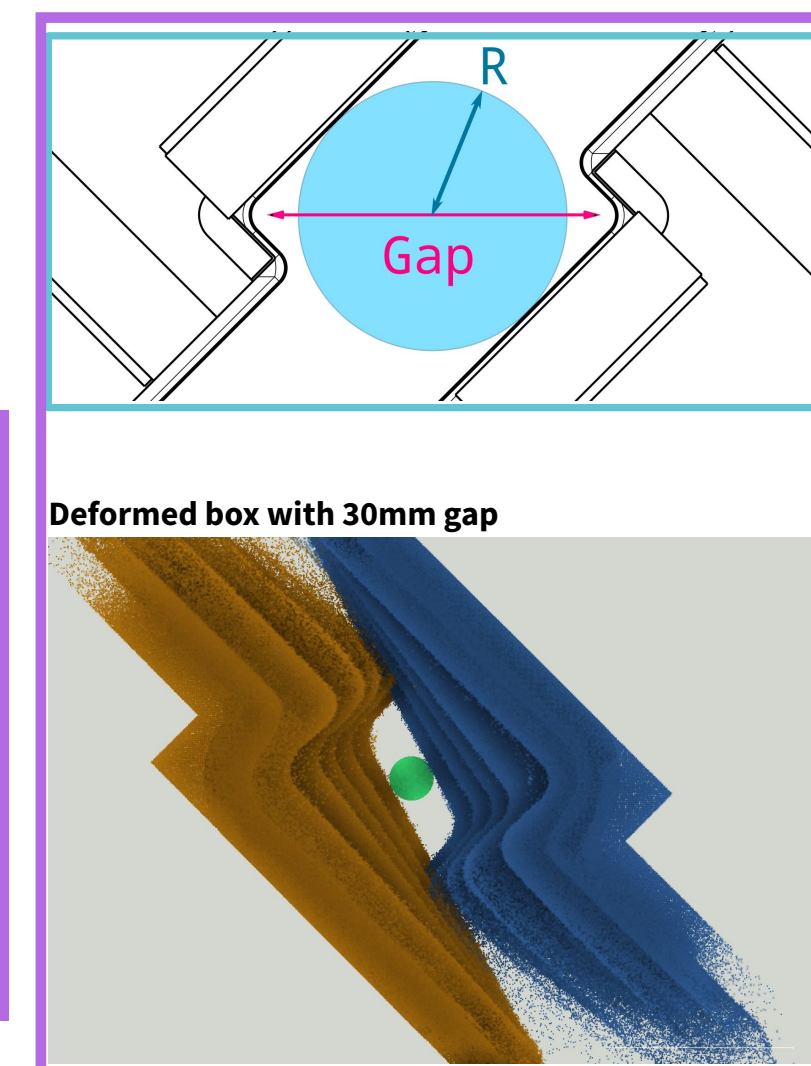
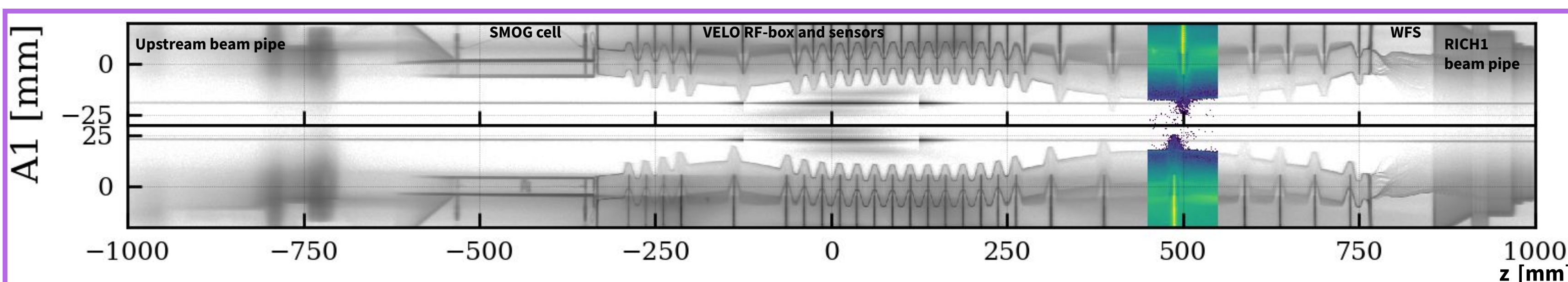
Additional material

Vacuum incident



- LHC vacuum incident in the VELO volume led to over pressurisation of the detector volume and deformation of the RF foil
- leading factors to velo position in 2023:
 - deformation of the foil allowing for max 30 mm gap
 - damaged coupling piece in the motion system
- decided not to move the VELO halves at every fill, but keep them fixed to the smallest aperture that allows beam injection
- RF foil replacement in the EYETS23/24

VELO 2023 gap = 49 mm



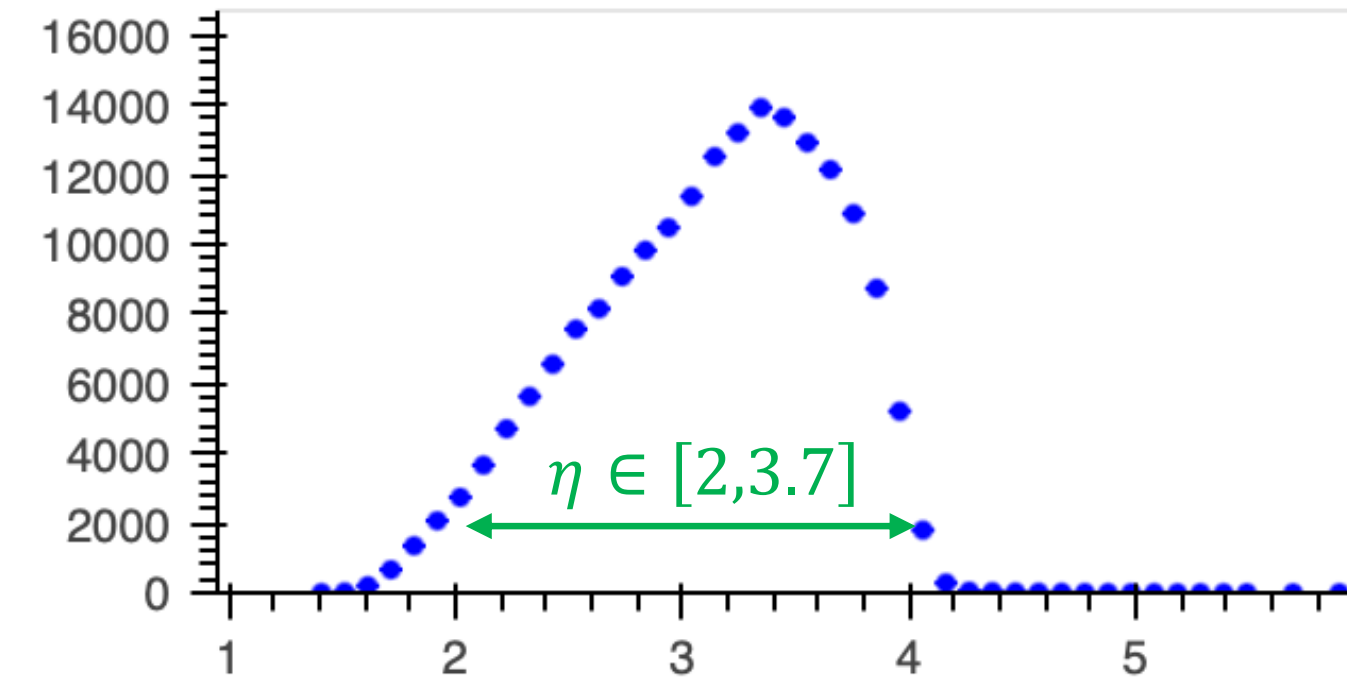
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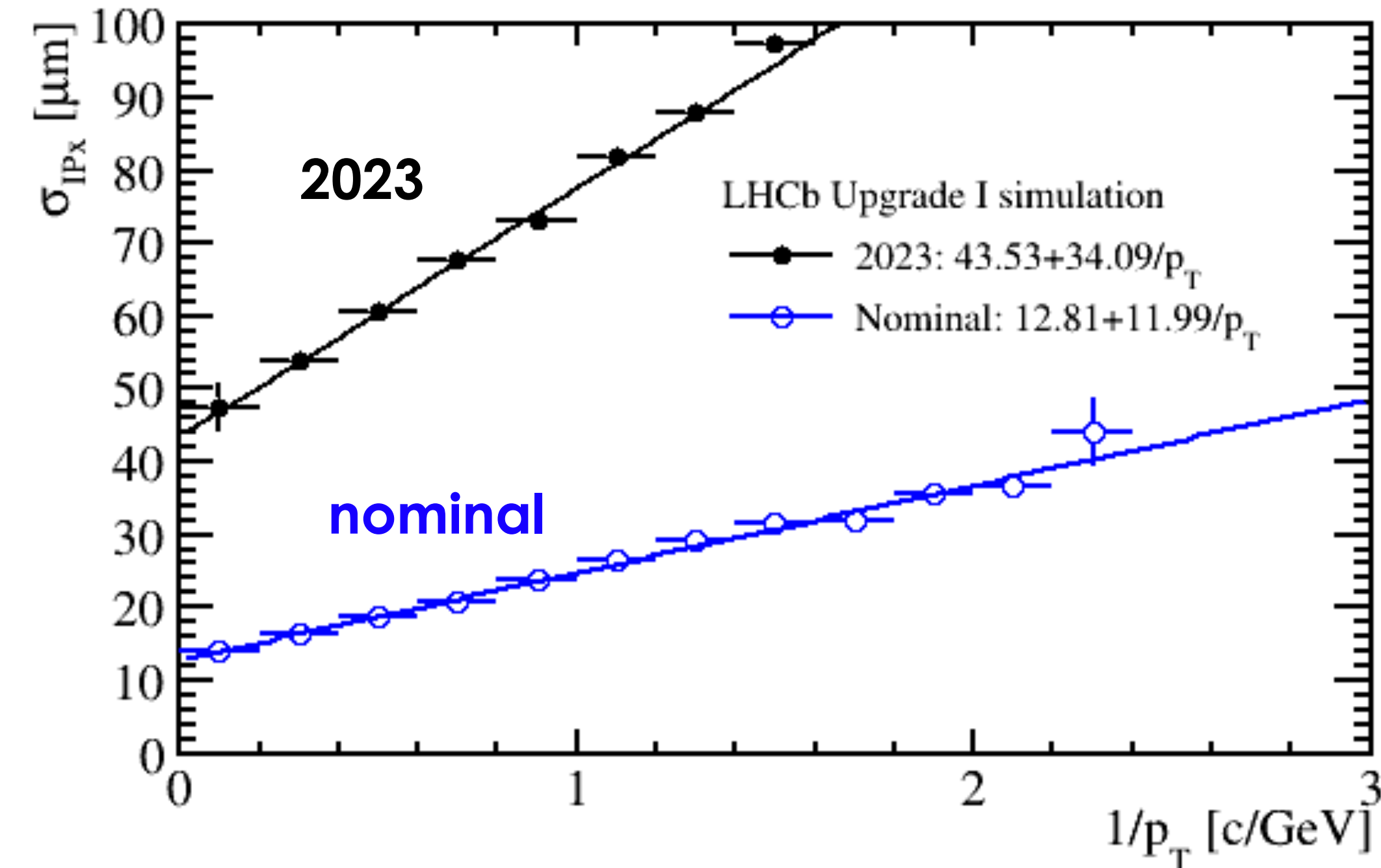
Impact of VELO gap = 49 mm

- acceptance reduced: from η [2,5] to η [2, 3.7]
- impact parameter (IP) resolution degraded

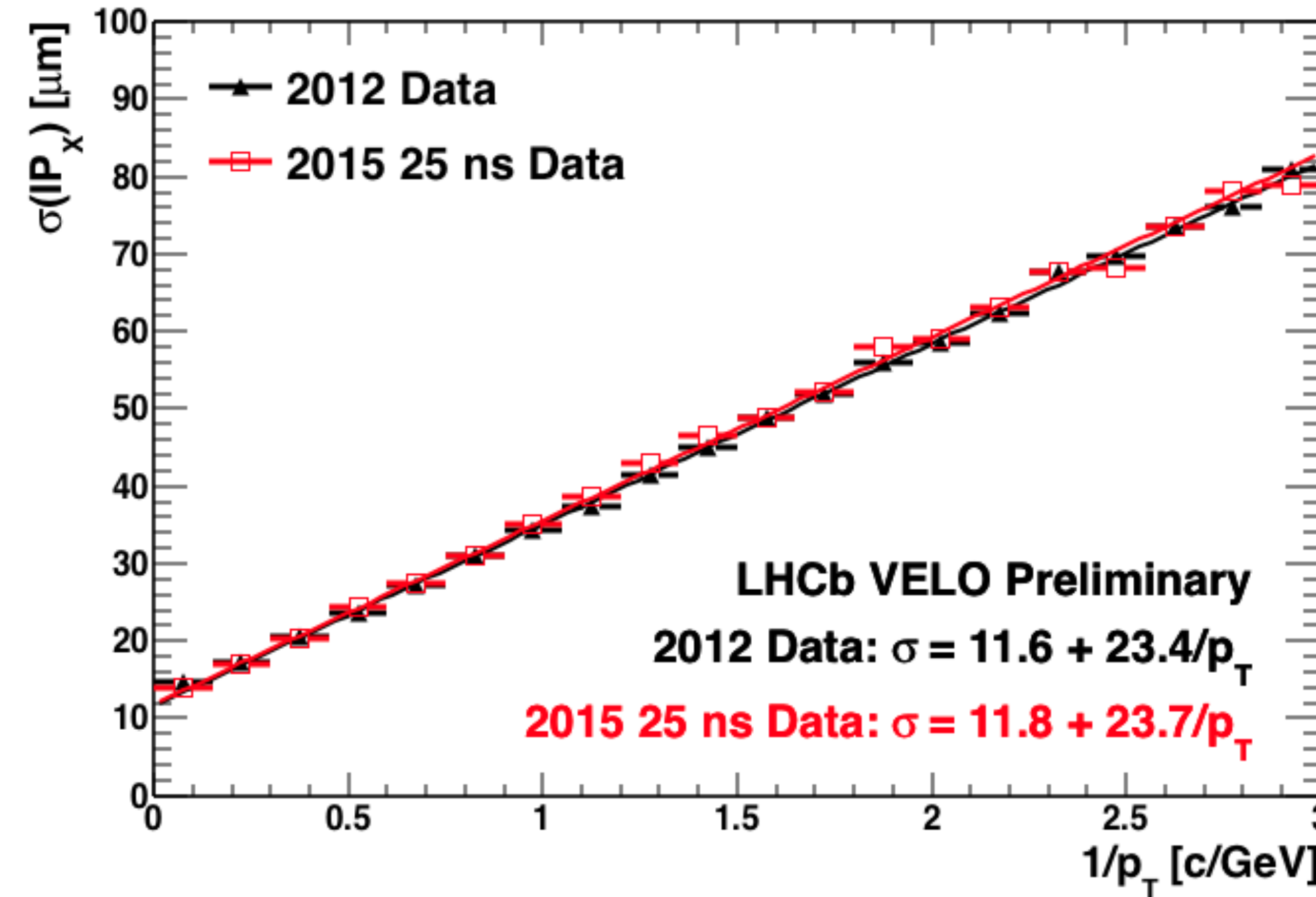
long tracks (up to the last tracking station)



IP resolution from simulation



IP resolution in Run 2



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