

Tracking requirements for physics

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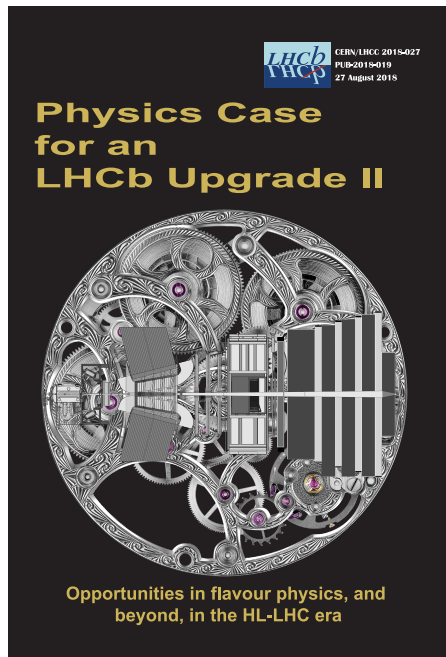
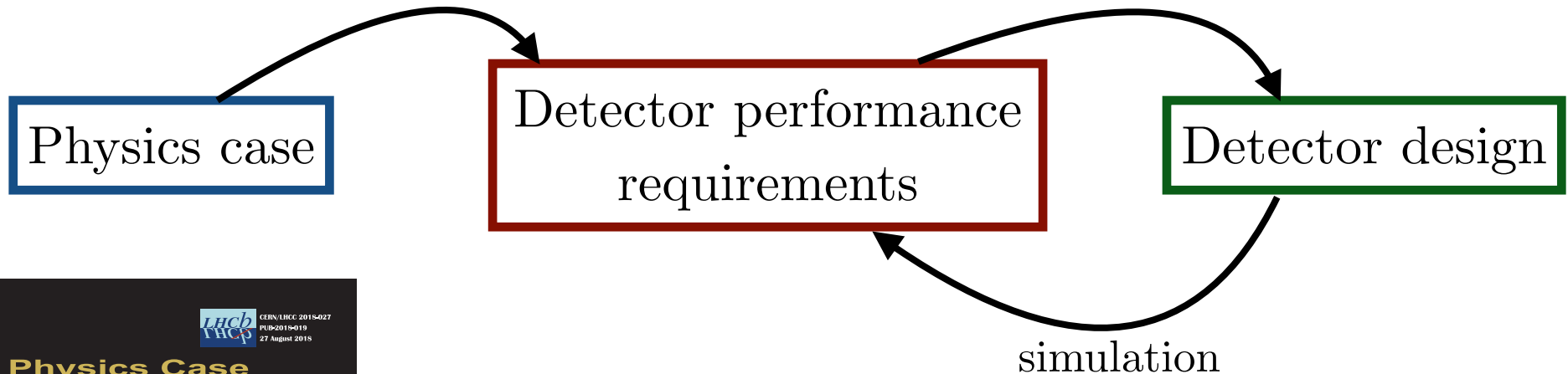
LHCb Upgrade II Tracking Workshop

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Process towards a detector design



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This talk:

- review some recent developments for the physics case
- qualitative statements on the requirements on the tracking/vertexing performance

PS: technological solutions to meet the physics requirements must be optimised in light of other inputs such as: cost, construction/installation time

Upgrade II environment for physics

- High luminosity

- Instantaneous luminosity (levelled): $\mathcal{L}_{\text{inst}} = (1.0 - 1.5) \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

- Pileup (levelled): **28 – 42**

Matteo Palutan, U2 introduction

LHCb week, Feb 2024

- The high pileup is the main modification to the reconstruction and analysis environment

- allows for high statistics 

- at the cost of increased occupancy, ambiguities, ghosts 

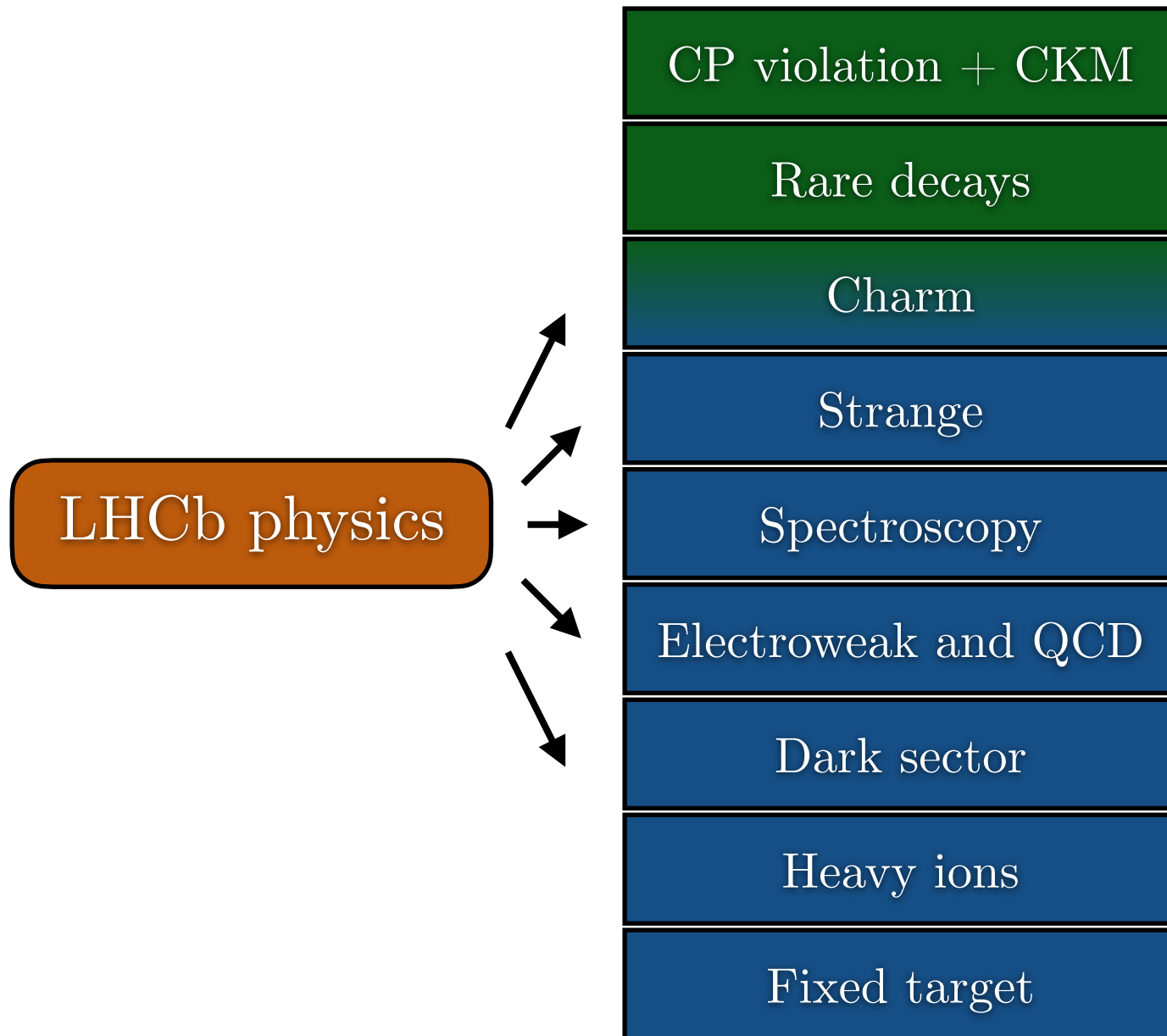
⇒ design the detector to be performant under these extreme conditions

- Fixed target physics

- installation of a polarised gas target for fixed target physics?

- SMOG system should have little impact on the tracker requirements
(to be confirmed...)

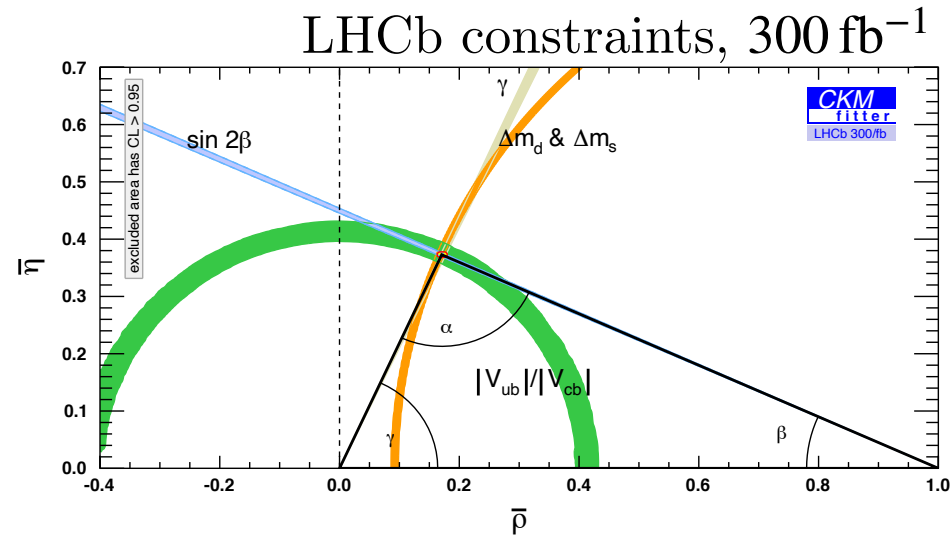
LHCb Upgrade II physics programme



CP violation and rare decays

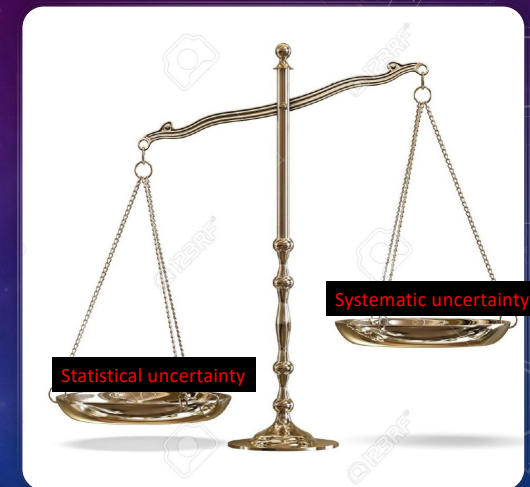
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 - etc.

- Requirements ("usual suspects")
 - vertexing
 - tracking, momentum resolution
 - PID (RICH, MUON, CALO)
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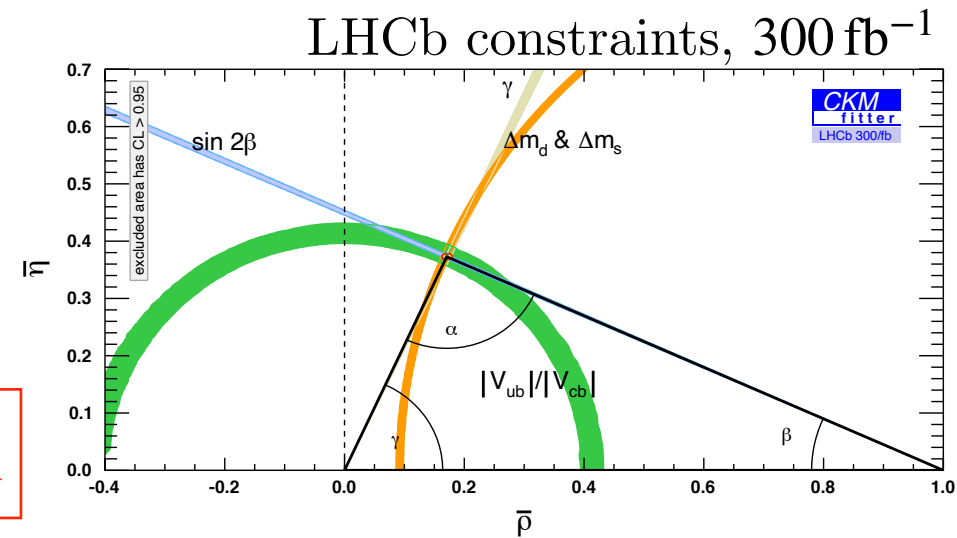
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[source: Sneha Malde, 02/24]

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need excellent τ^\pm reconstruction capability



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Tools: PID and Flavour tagging

- PID

- tracking and ghost rejection are essential input to:
 - the RICH performance (track direction)
 - identifying neutrals in the calorimeter

- Flavour tagging

- cf. talk by Claire Prouve, "Update on flavour tagging", at LHCb week, Feb 2024

Upgrade 2 studies

Sara Celani, Veronika Chobanova,
Quentin Fuehring, Stephanie
Hansmann-Menzemer, Christoph
Langenbruch, Peilian Li, Diego
Martinez-Santos, Micol Olocco,
Claire Prouve, Lennart Uecker

Studies to determine the performance of the flavour tagging for different Upgrade 2 conditions.

Use Run 3 MC and reweight/smear different variables → retrain the flavour tagging classifiers and determine tagging power.

- pileup
- PID efficiencies
- IP resolution
- (in)correct PV association efficiency
- ghostrate

⇐ parameters directly impacting
flavour tagging performance
(timing will be of help too)

Heavy ions and fixed target

- cf. talk by Matt Durham, "LHCb Upgrade 2 uniqueness in IFT physics", at LHCb week, Feb 2024

Summary



- LHCb can provide unique input to heavy ion physics
 - low-x physics
 - strong interest to reach approach central collisions \Rightarrow **high occupancy**

- Upgrade 2 provides us with an opportunity to do truly unique heavy ion physics:
 - Gluon dynamics at low-x will always be interesting, field rapidly evolving
 - Our unique strengths measuring b hadrons directly enhance heavy ion program
 - Heavy ion collisions lets us answer fundamental question about the nature of exotic hadrons, expanding LHCb's proven expertise and leadership
 - Bedrock heavy ion physics with charm/bottomonia suppression
- Upcoming IFT workshop: Heavy Ion Physics with Upgrade 2
- Santiago de Compostela, 1-3 July 2024

[source: Matt Durham, 02/24]

- Polarised gas target: LHCspin(SMOG3)

- low-risk high-return programme
- PV separated by 40cm from pp collisions

\Rightarrow vertexing important, but timing probably not essential

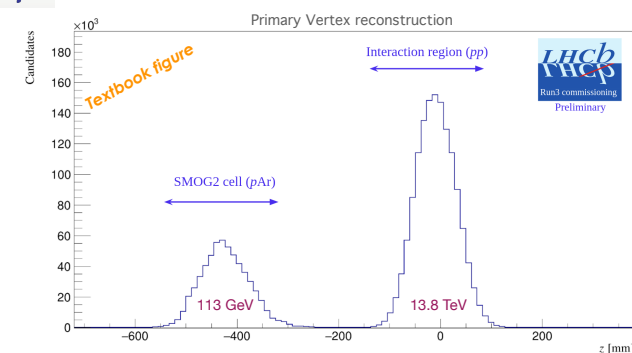


Matt Durham – 111th LHCb week

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SMOG2 ... wow-factor!

LHCb-FIGURE-2023-001



Two well separated and independent Interaction Points working simultaneously

LHCb-FIGURE-2023-001

[source: Pasquale Di Nezza]

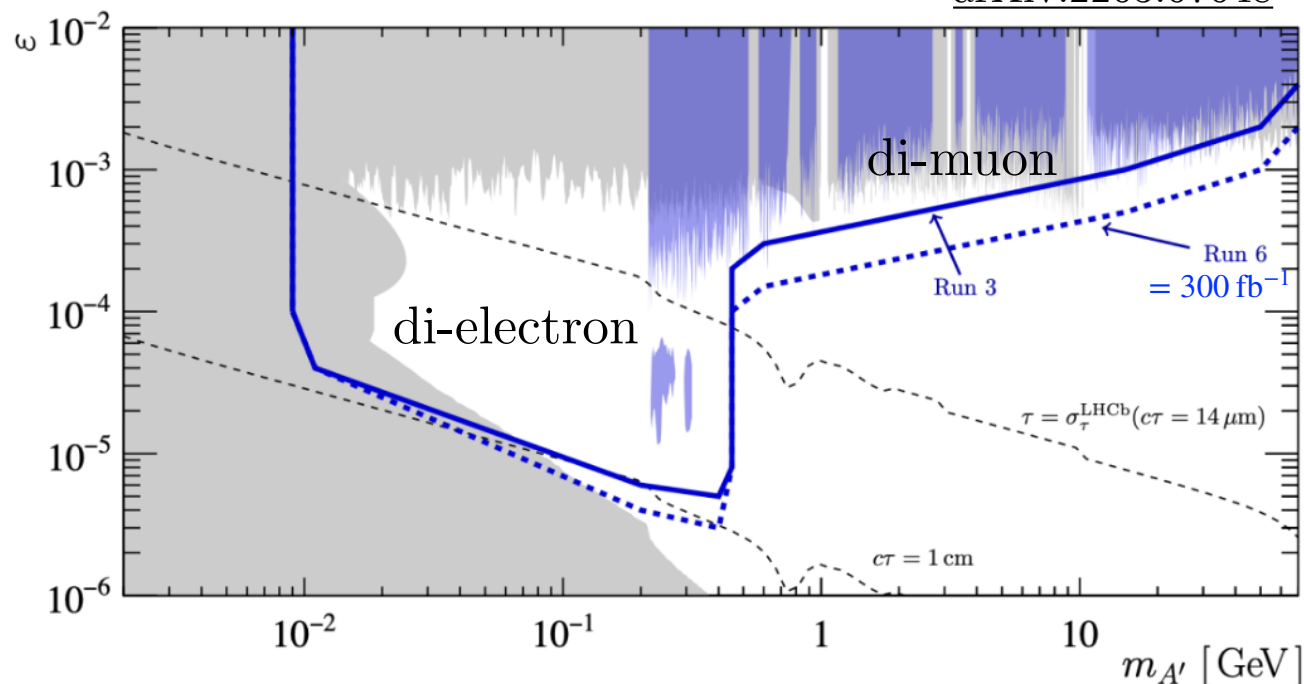
Dark sector

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- $A' \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and $\pi^0/\eta \rightarrow \gamma(A' \rightarrow ee)$

- from Run 3, LHCb is a major player, covers much of unexplored space
- Upgrade II: significant increase in sensitivity (\rightarrow high $m_{A'}$)



- Similarly, unique sensitivity in other Dark Sector scenarios:
 - *dark scalar,*
 - *axion-like particles,*
 - *heavy neutral leptons,*
 - *dark hadrons*

Dark sector (II)

UNREALISED NEW PHYSICS SEARCHES

[Rept.Prog.Phys. 85 \(2022\) 2, 024201](#)

Unleashing the full power of LHCb to probe Stealth New Physics

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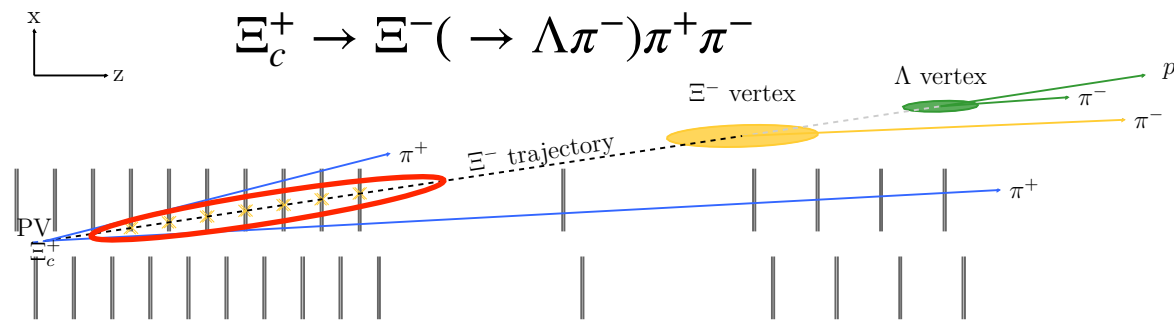
- Useful guide on exotic signatures with a sound theoretical motivation
- Significant and increasing attention to LHCb in the theory community over the last few years
- Well-aligned with the trend on dedicated **long-lived particle searches**
- **New sensitivity due to e.g. downstream tracking at HLT1**

Medium- and Long-lived particle


- $K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ and $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi$: essential inputs to much of the LHCb physics programme
- Long-lived particles, e.g. Heavy Neutral Leptons
 - ⇒ need large tracker acceptance volume
 - ⇒ downstream tracking and standalone T-tracking
 - ⇒ what level of momentum resolution if T stations in fringe field?

• Hyperon decays

- charged hyperons decaying in the VELO
- track hyperons in the VELO
- significant improvement of the signal selection



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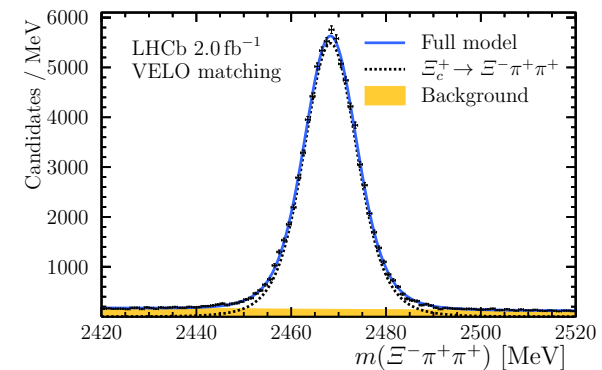
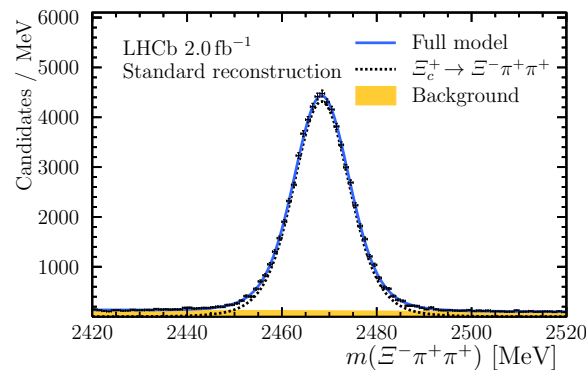


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Tracking of charged particles with nanosecond lifetimes at LHCb

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LHCb collaboration

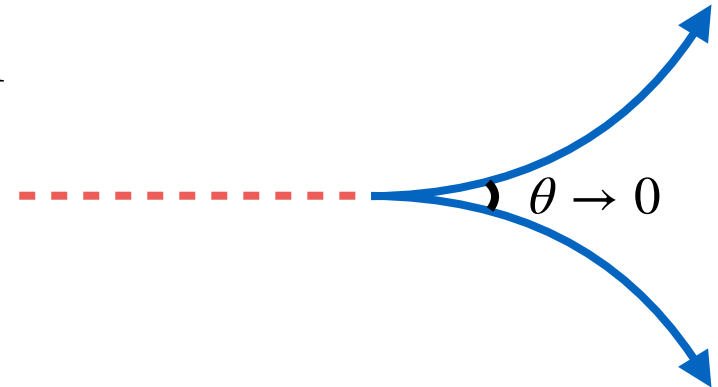


The tracker requirements for physics

- The rule of thumb:
 - "Same or better" detector performance as in Upgrade I**
 - Key tracking parameters
 - momentum resolution
 - vertexing (primary and secondary decays)
 - beauty, charm, τ^\pm lepton, flavour tagging
 - but also for spectroscopy, fixed target, medium-to-long lived particles
 - ghost rejection
 - ⇒ high segmentation (pixels where needed)
 - ⇒ keeping (very) low material budget
- Quantification of the requirement must come from simulation**

Other points to consider

- Improved efficiency at low momentum
 - slow pions in D^* decays
 - multi-body channels
 - access to central heavy-ion collisions
 - ⇒ magnet stations (can we gain from UT in fringe magnetic field?)
- Vertexing for decays at or near threshold $A \rightarrow B + C$ ($m_B + m_C \approx m_A$)
 - e.g. $f_0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$, $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$, $\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$ conversion
 - Need excellent vertex resolution to improve the vertex resolution in direction of the boost
- Pseudo-rapidity acceptance:
 - well defined in the VELO + UT (straight tracks)
 - not same definition in terms of physics reach in T stations (after magnet)
 - talk by Mary Richardson-Slipper in this session



Conclusion

- VELO

- vertex resolution is essential for all LHCb physics
- VELO tracks fully part of Long tracks
- VELO tracks now used for medium-to-long lived particles

⇒ **no compromise on VELO tracking and vertexing capabilities**

- Tracking (UT, MT, Magnet)

- high tracking efficiency, in particular for high-multiplicity processes
- low ghost level
- excellent momentum resolution ⇒ mass resolution, background rejection

⇒ **high granularity, low material budget tracker**

- **Detector optimisation:**

- **to be based on simulation of key physics channels** → talk by Matteo Palutan
in this session
- **a global optimisation is essential to maximise the physics output**