

Measurement of

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-)$$

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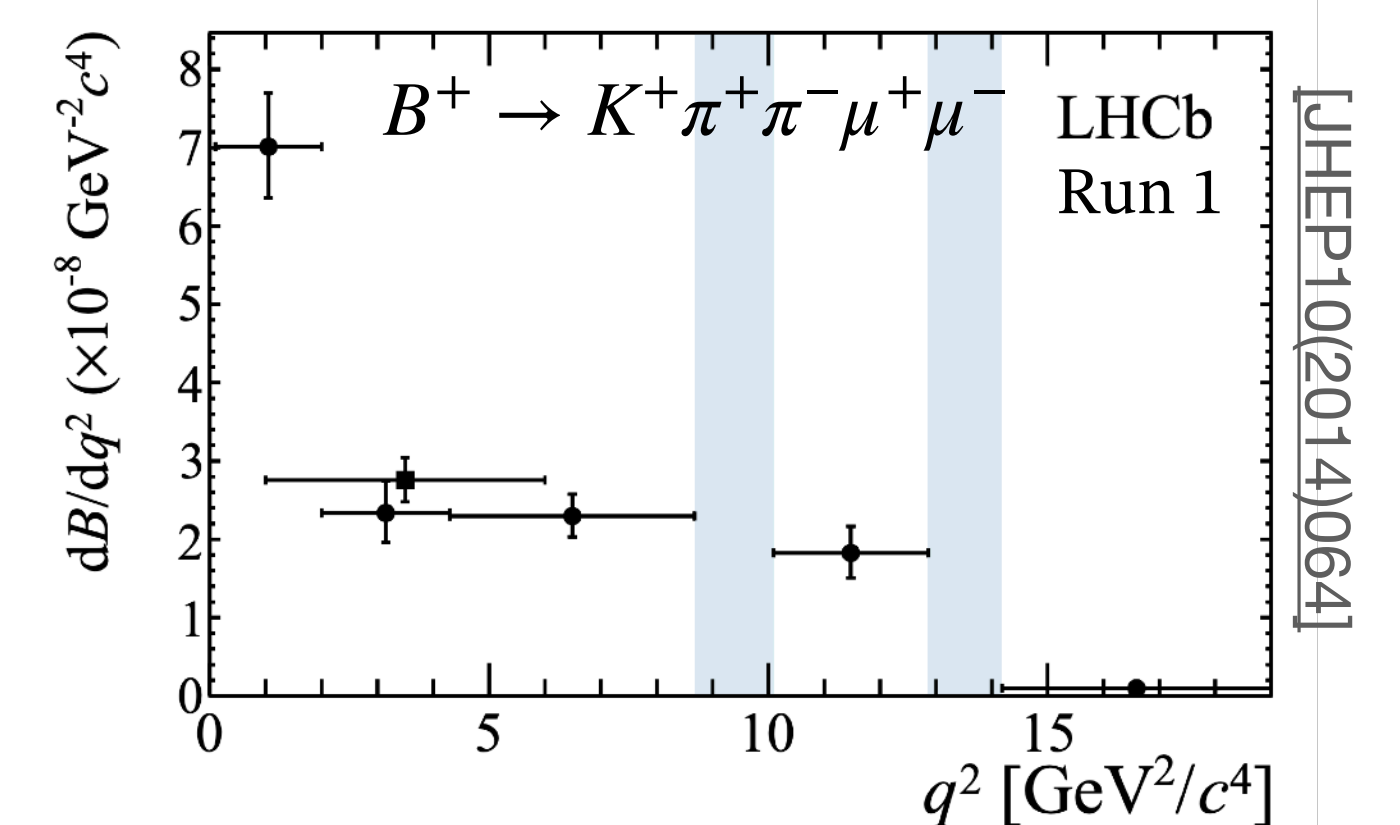
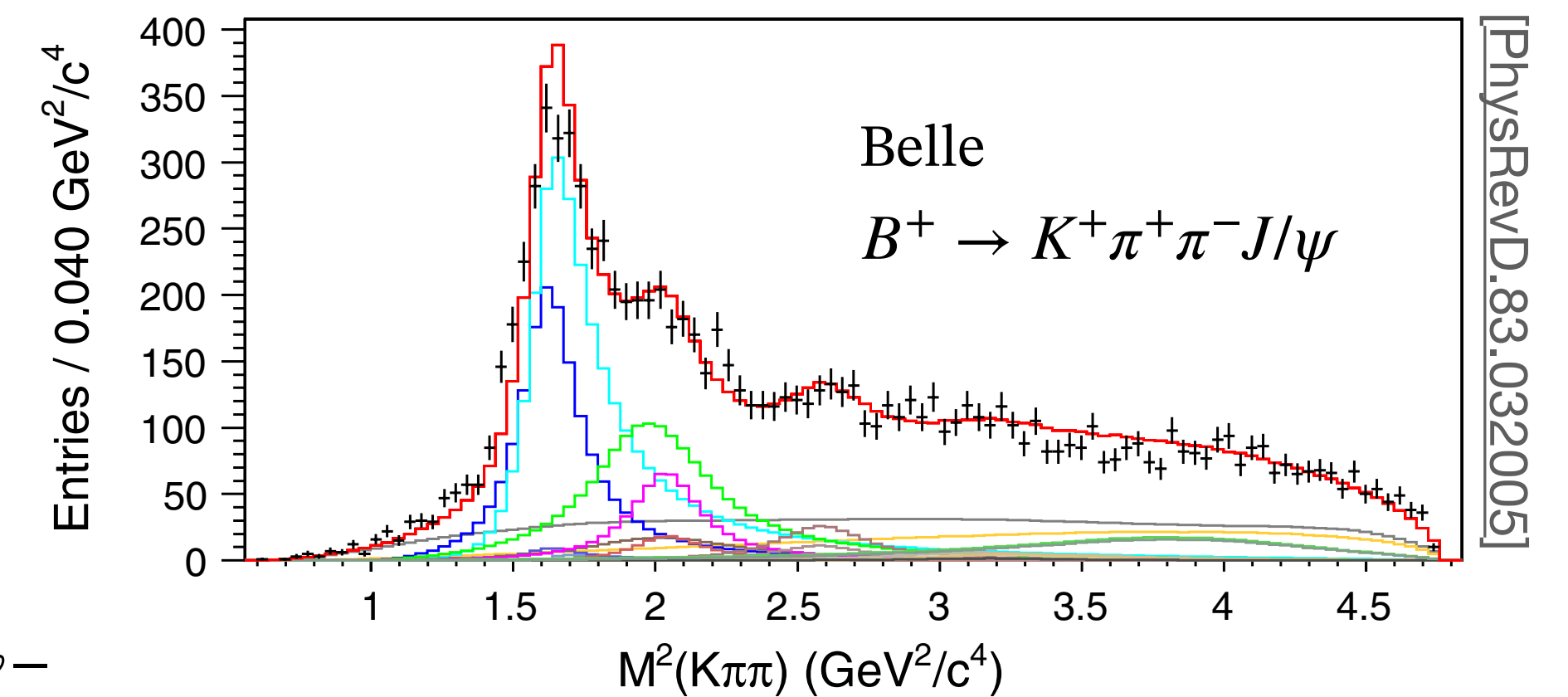
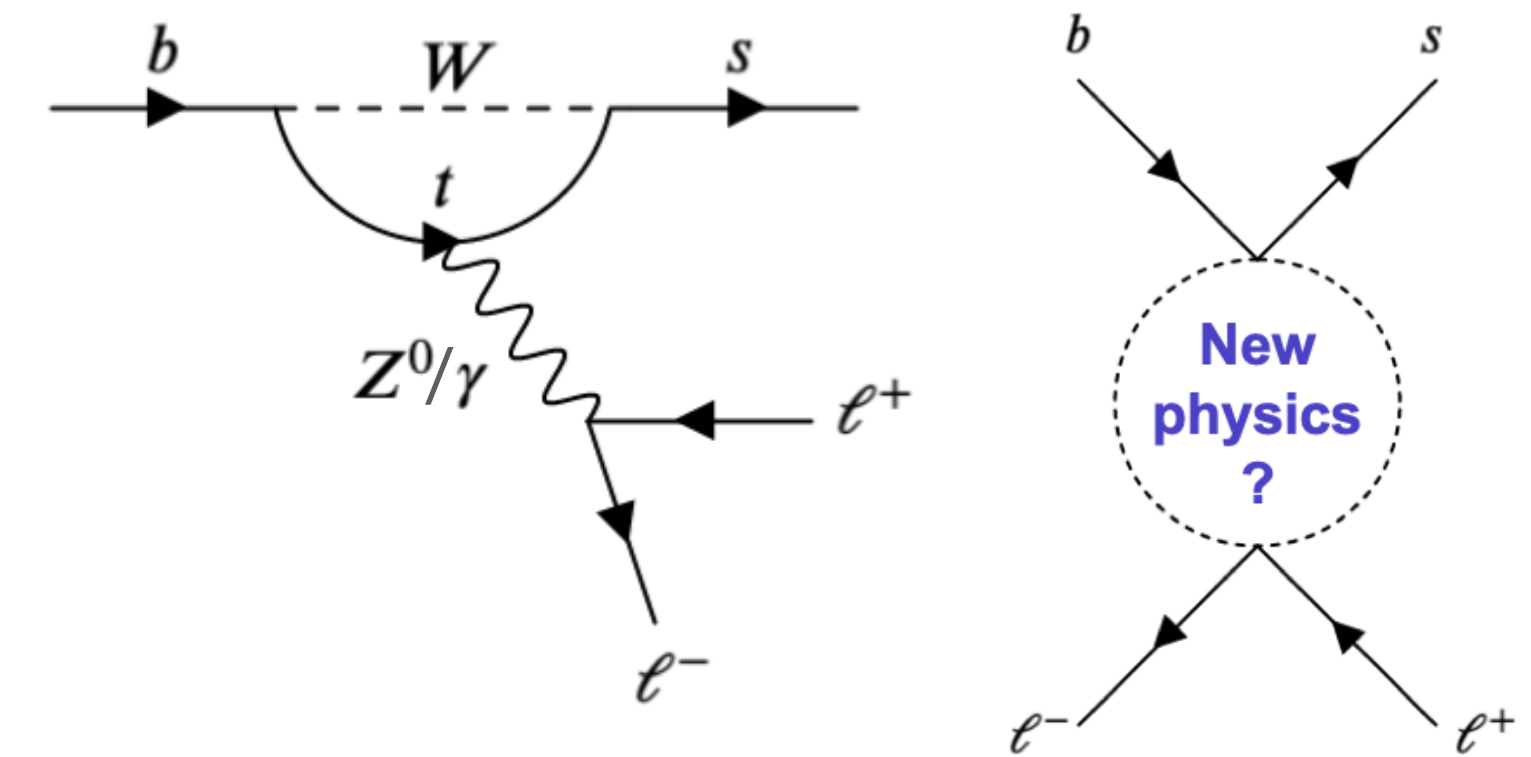
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Why $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-$?

- Precision measurements of Standard Model (SM) processes offer an indirect window to new physics
- $b \rightarrow s \ell \ell$ transitions suppressed in the SM: new physics could contribute at a similar scale
- $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ decay channel:
 - Rich structure in $K^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$ system
 - Studied previously at LHCb in the branching ratio measurement using Run 1 (2011-2012) data: [arXiv:1408.1137], and Lepton Flavour Universality tests with $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \ell^+ \ell^-$
 - Angular structure and CP-violation remain unexplored
 - High momentum transfer ($q^2 = m^2(\mu^+ \mu^-) > 15 \text{ GeV}^2$) region could provide information to recent theoretical calculations [arXiv:2305.03076]



Objectives

- Update the measurement of the branching ratio $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-)$ using the full LHCb Run 1 and 2 dataset (2011-2018) in bins of q^2 } Current work
- Search for CP-violation effects
- Perform angular analysis of $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ } Longer-term plans

Analysis strategy

- The branching ratio (BR) can be computed experimentally as

$$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-) = \frac{N_{observed}}{\epsilon \times \mathcal{L} \times \sigma_{B-prod}}$$

$N_{observed}$: measured yield

ϵ : detection efficiency

\mathcal{L} : integrated luminosity

σ_{B-prod} : B^\pm production cross section

but \mathcal{L} and σ_{B-prod} are not known with high precision at the LHC

→ In practice, better to measure with respect to a normalisation channel with a well-known BR

Analysis strategy

- Measure $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^-)$ with

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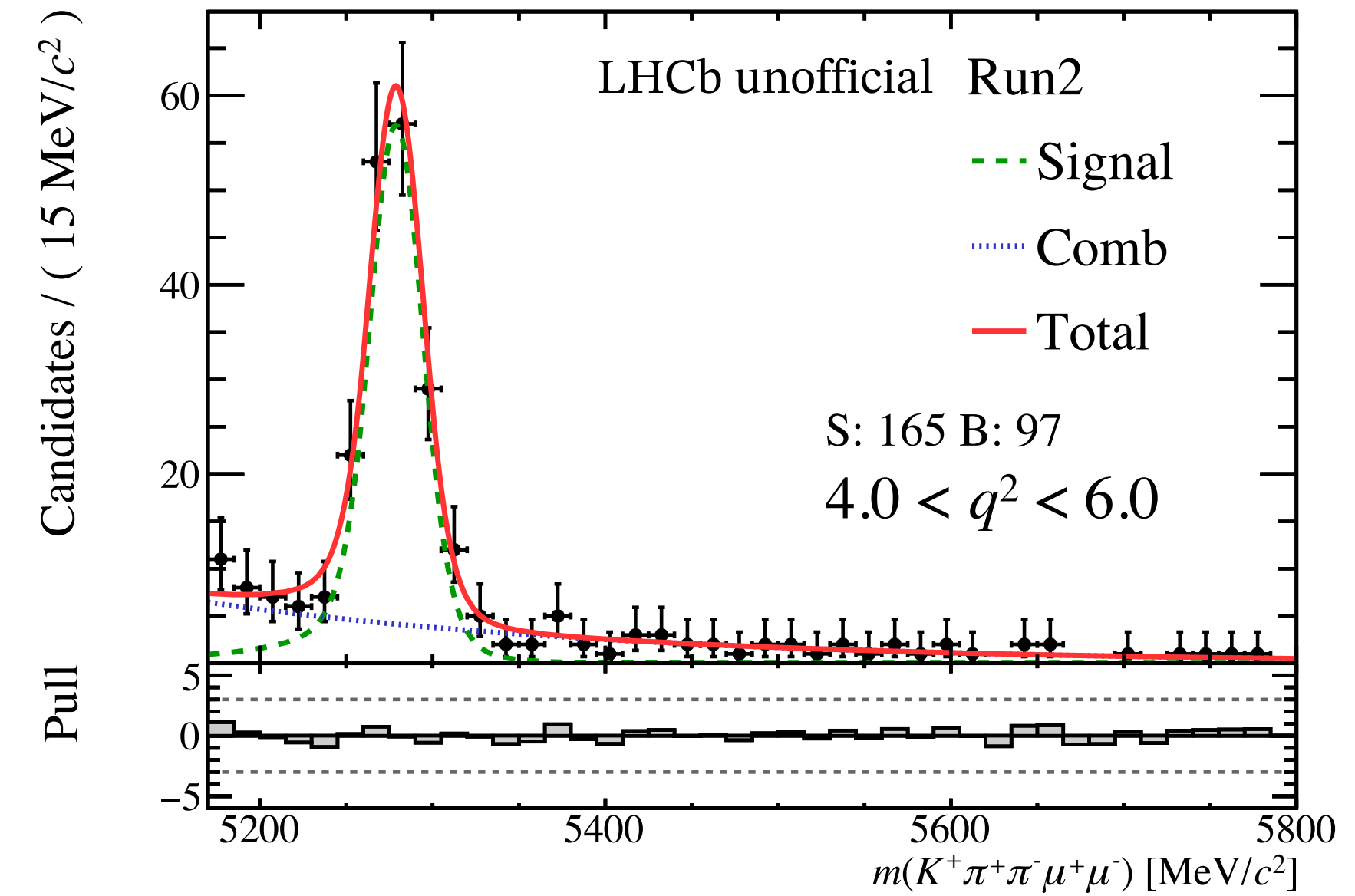
$$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \psi(2S) (\rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-))$$

q^2 [GeV ²]	0.1 – 0.98	1.1 – 2.5	2.5 – 4.0	4.0 – 6.0	6.0 – 8.0	11.0 – 12.5	15.0 – 19.0
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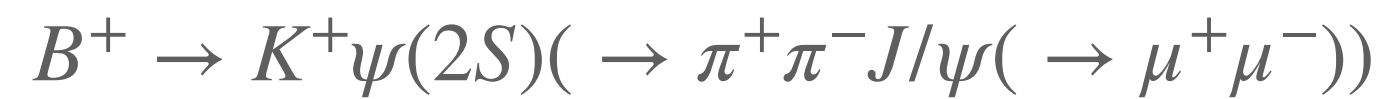
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Weights from fits to data



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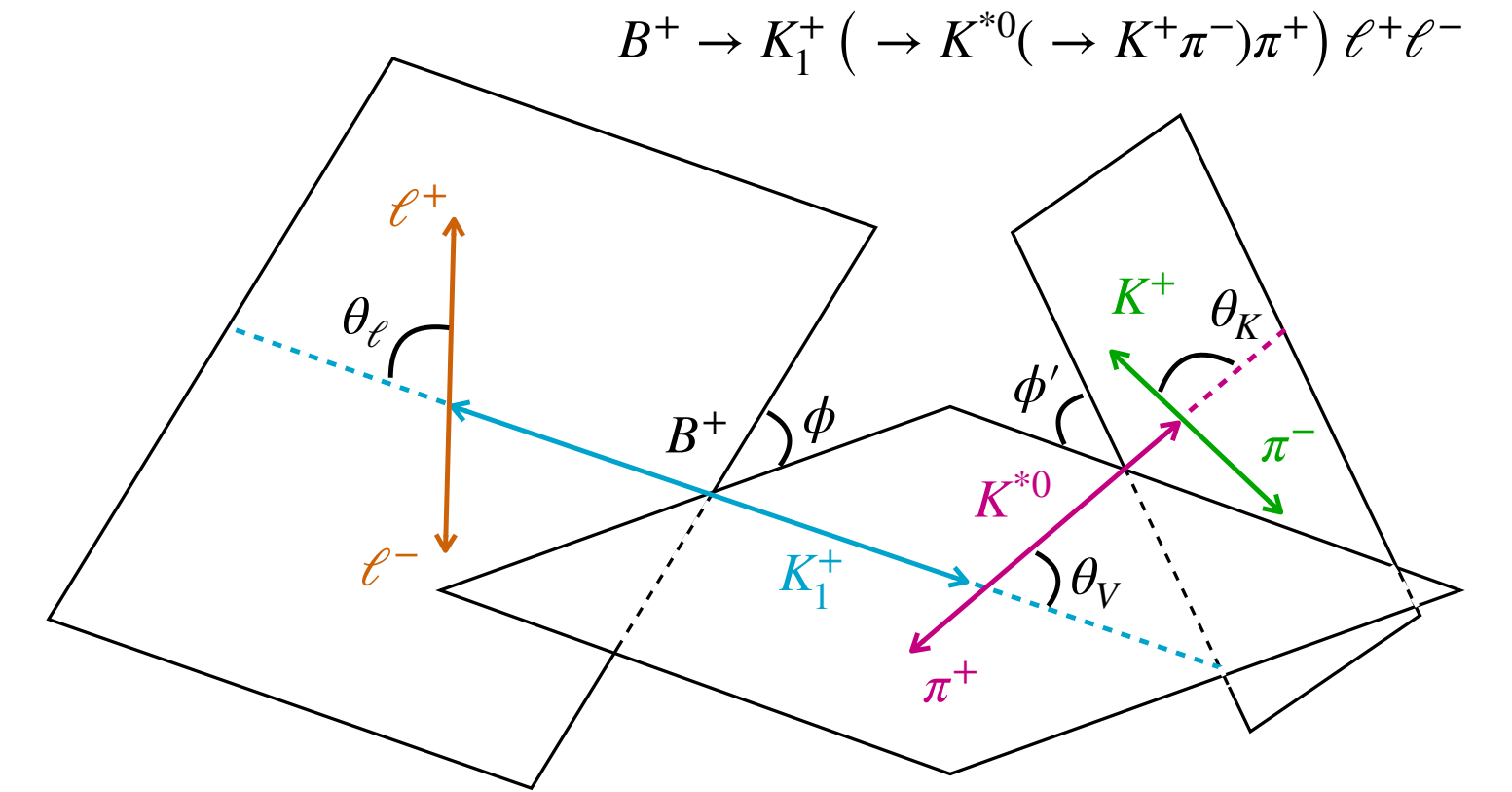
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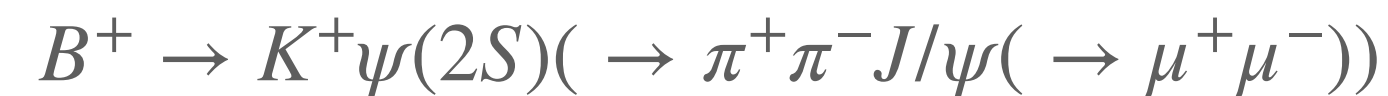


$\{\cos \theta_K, \cos \theta_L, \cos \theta_V, \phi, m^2(\pi\pi), m^2(\pi K), m(K\pi\pi), q^2\}$

Efficiencies parametrised in terms of phase space and decay angles

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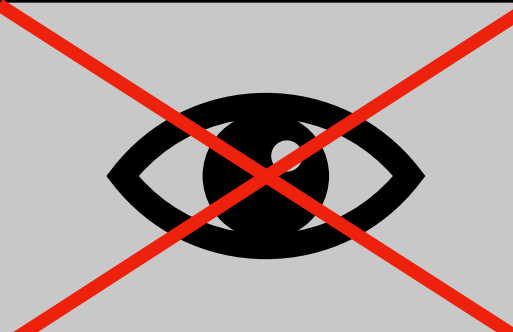
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Analysis overview

Trigger & preselection

Multivariate selection

**Corrections to
simulation**

Fits to B -mass

**Modelling of efficiency
in terms of phase
space**

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Due to the messy hadron collider environment, the reconstructed data from LHCb is largely dominated by random combinations of tracks. **Effective background suppression and signal selection are required.**

- **Trigger:** select events with at least one high- p_T muon
- **Preselection:** apply cuts on the track quality, particle identification, and kinematics of the signal candidates

Multivariate selection

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Multivariate selection →

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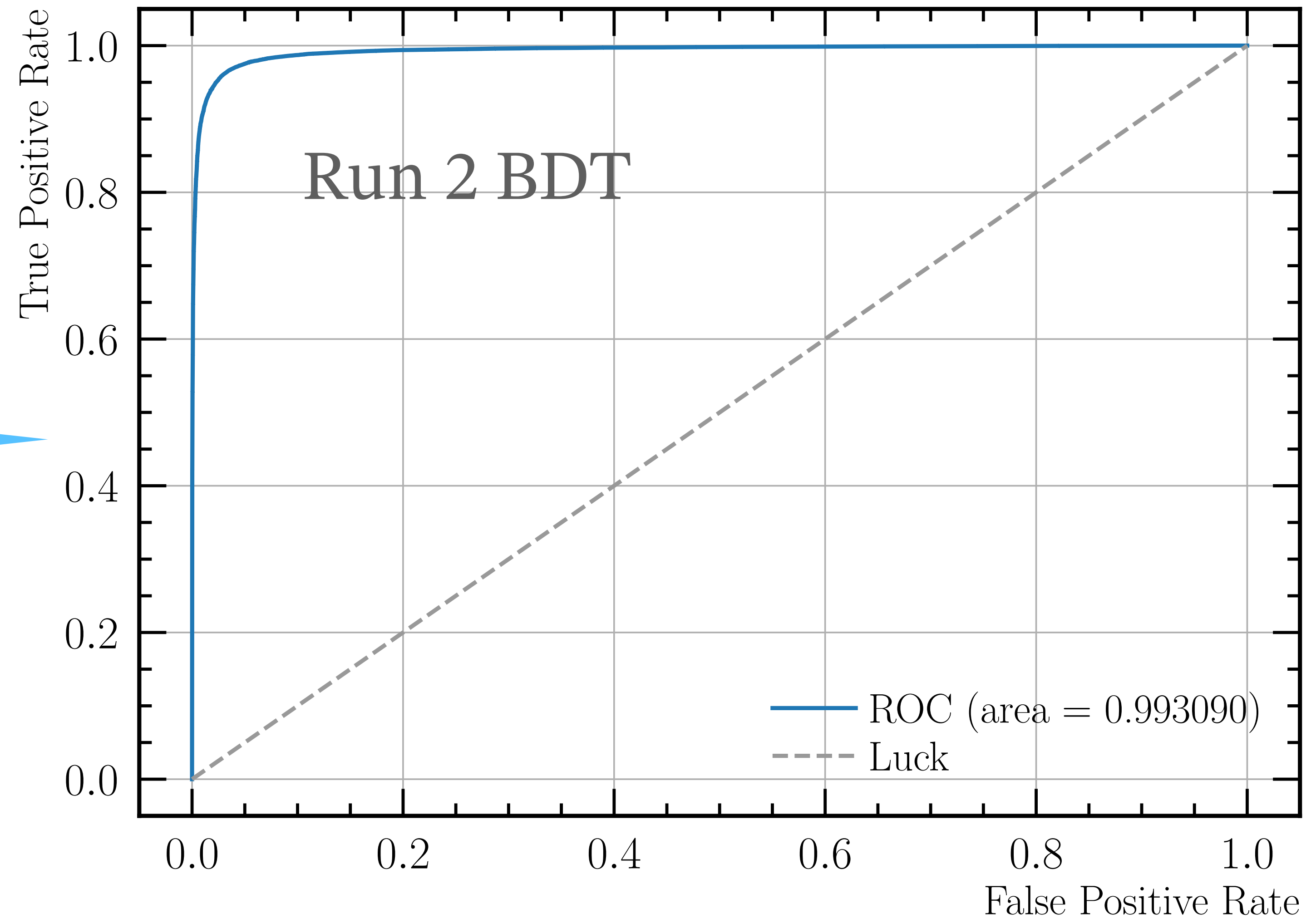
Cut-based preselection works as a first-stage data cleanup, but better results are achieved with the help of **machine learning**.

- **Train** Boosted Decision Trees (BDTs) to distinguish signal from background
 - Vertex quality and kinematic variables as BDT features
 - Separate BDTs trained for Run1, Run2 and the high- q^2
 - Simulation as signal proxy, data sideband at $M_B > 5450$ MeV and $1.1 < q^2 < 7$ GeV² ($15 < q^2 < 19$ for high- q^2 BDTs) as background proxy
- **Optimise** the selection by finding the cut on BDT response that maximises the signal significance $S/\sqrt{S+B}$

Multivariate selection

Performance

AUC > 0.99 for all classifiers



MC corrections

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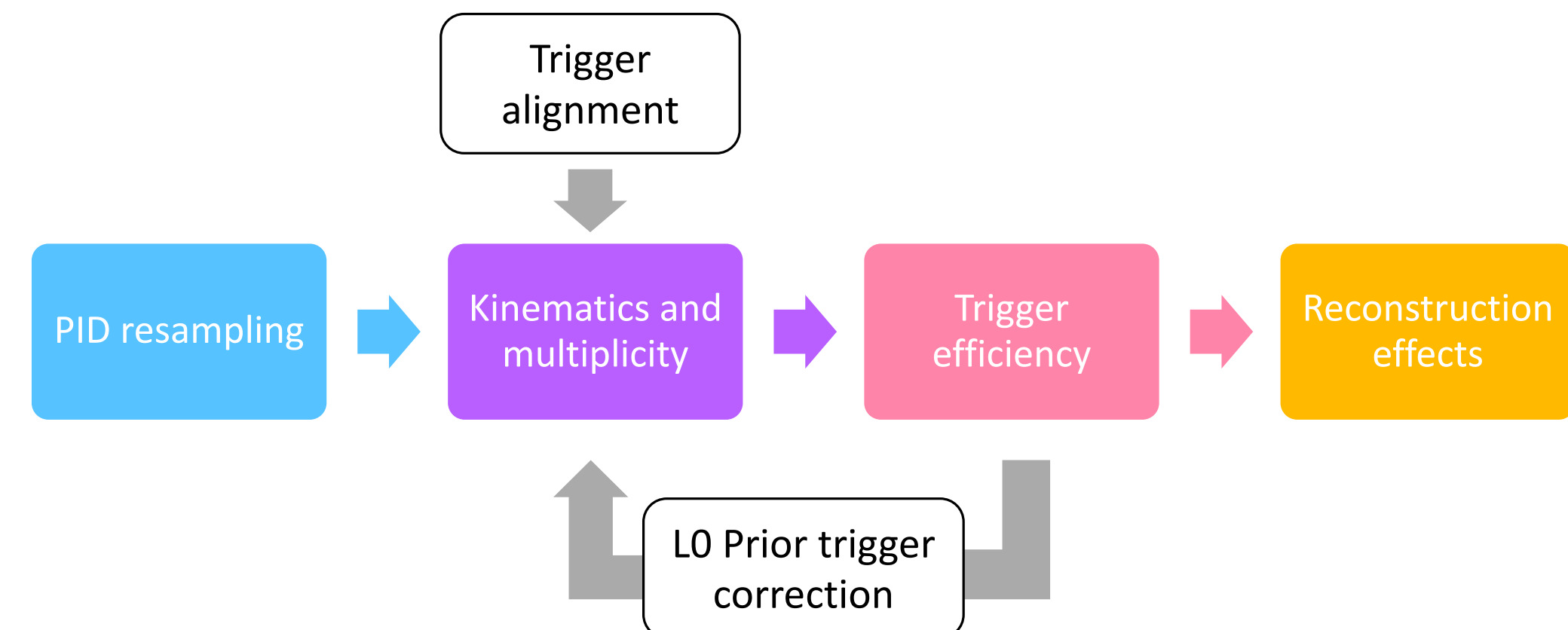
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Modelling of the pp collision, B -production and detector response in the simulation is imperfect → **apply a chain of statistical corrections to mitigate the data-simulation discrepancies**

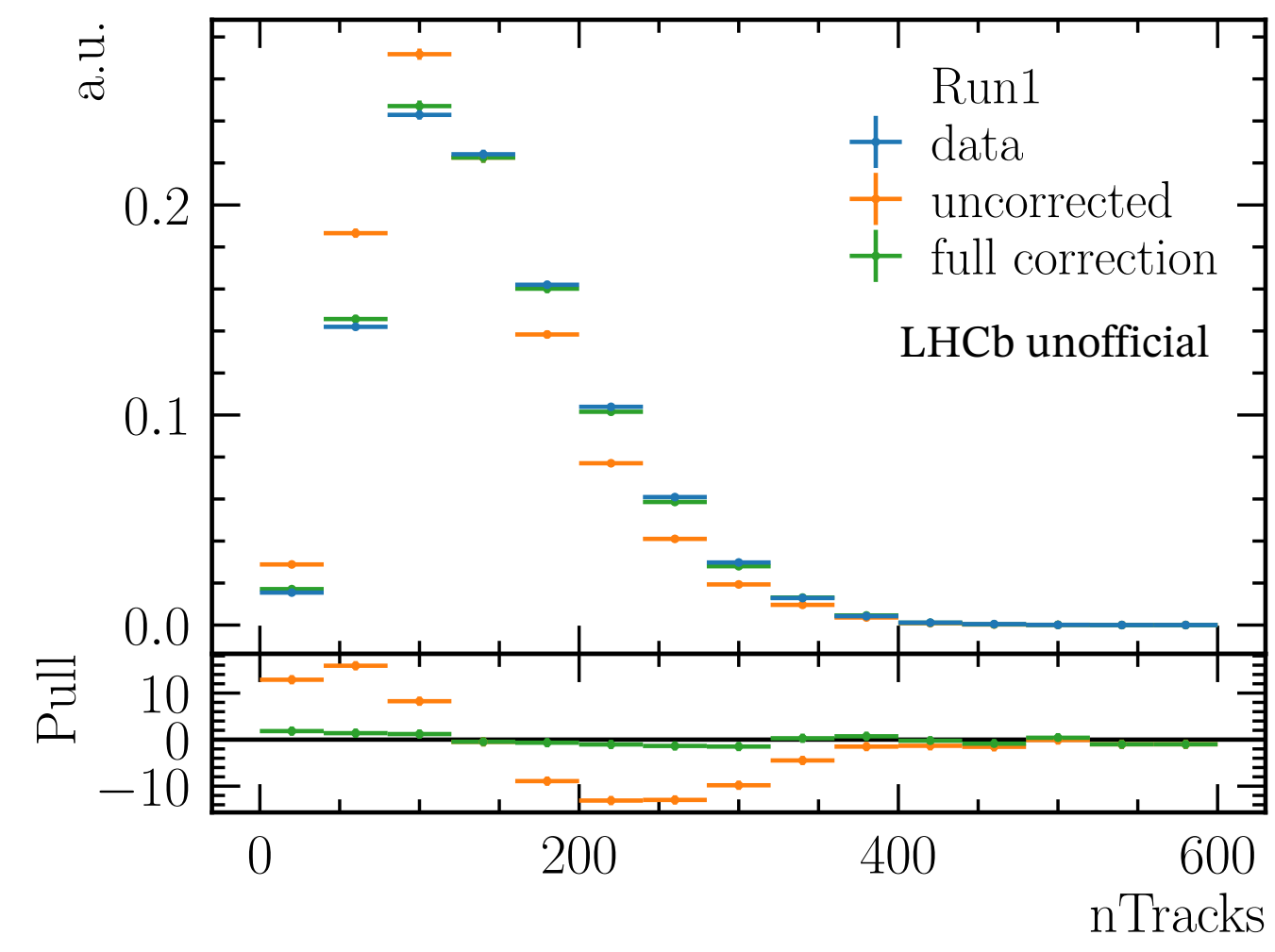
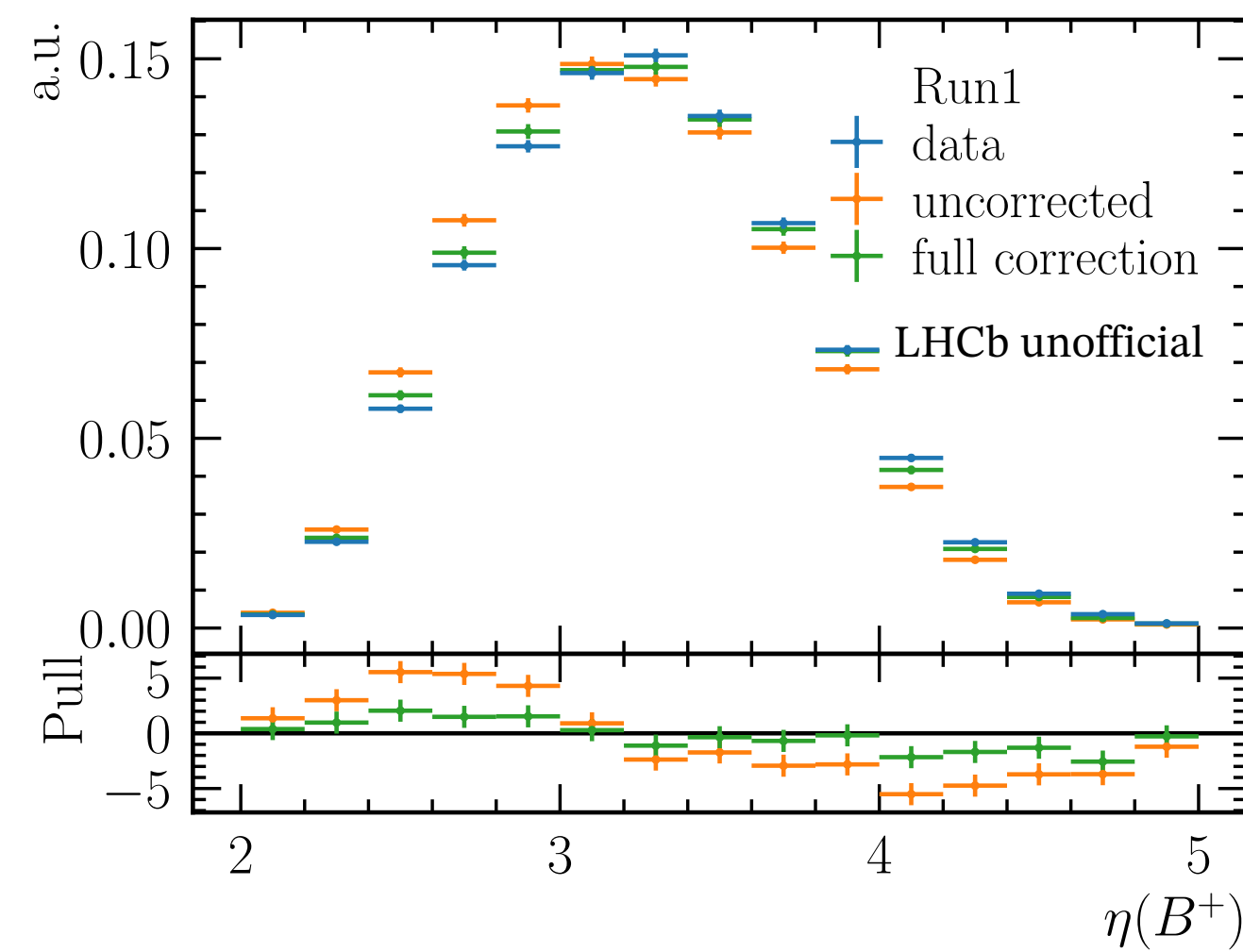
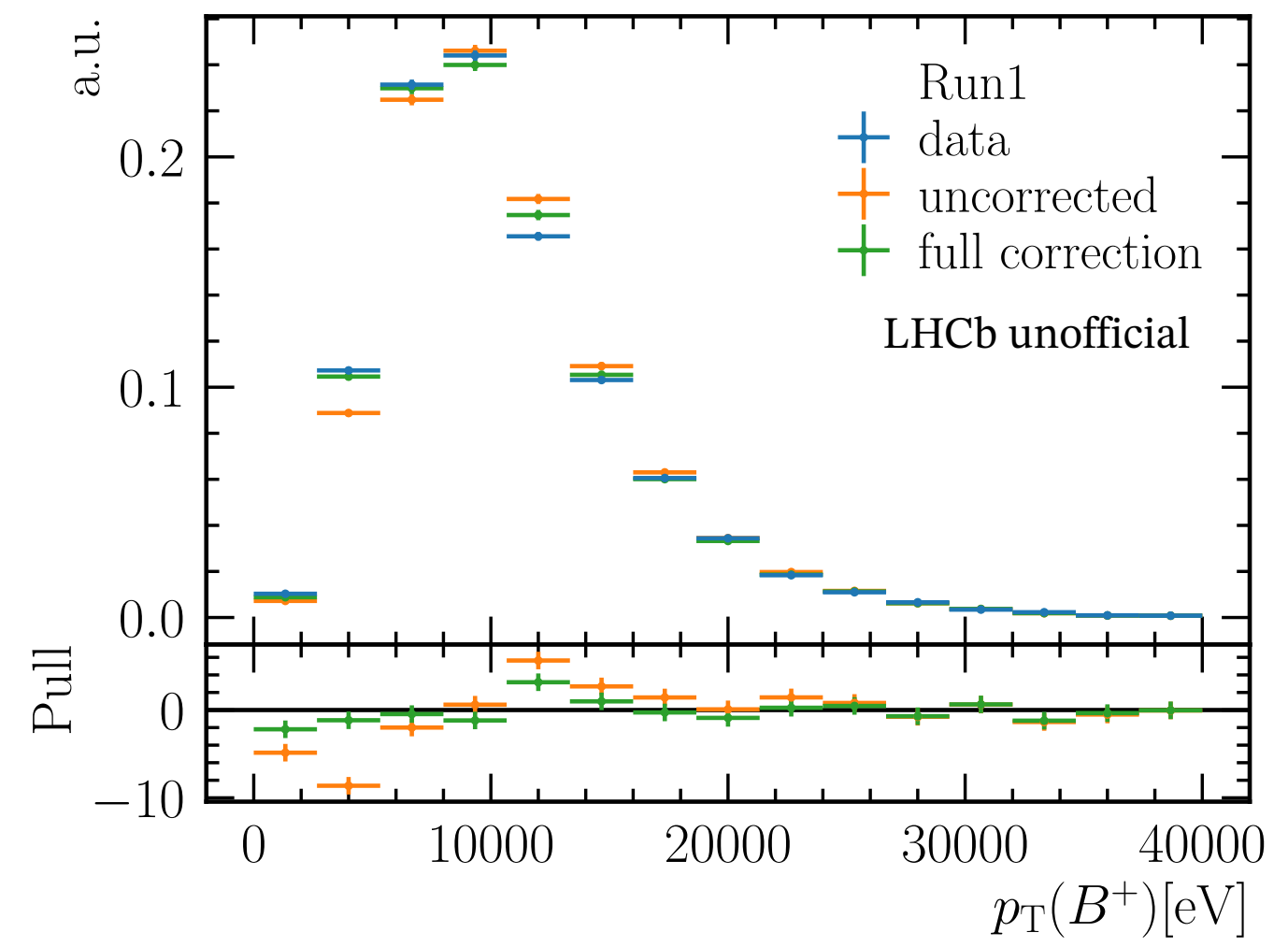
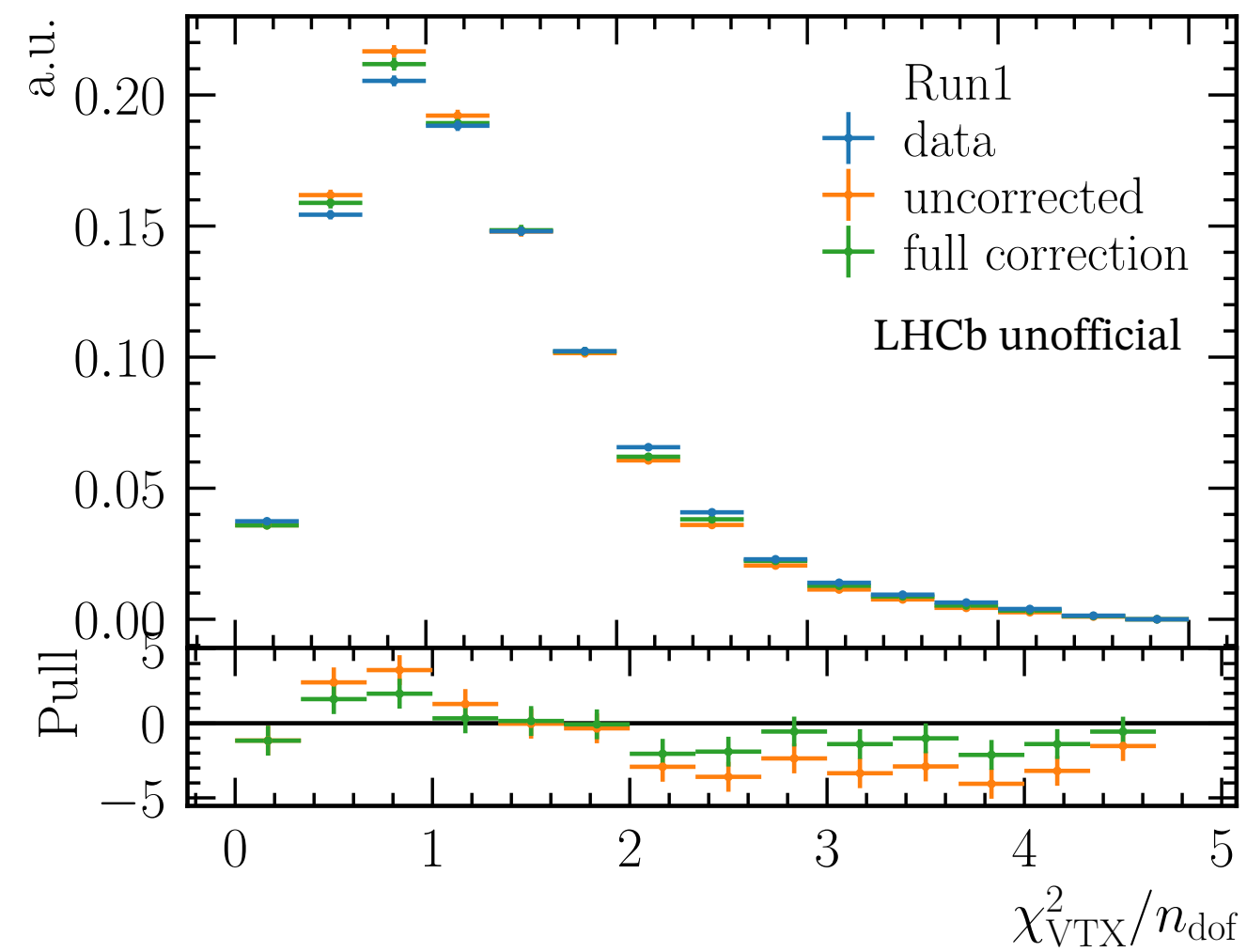
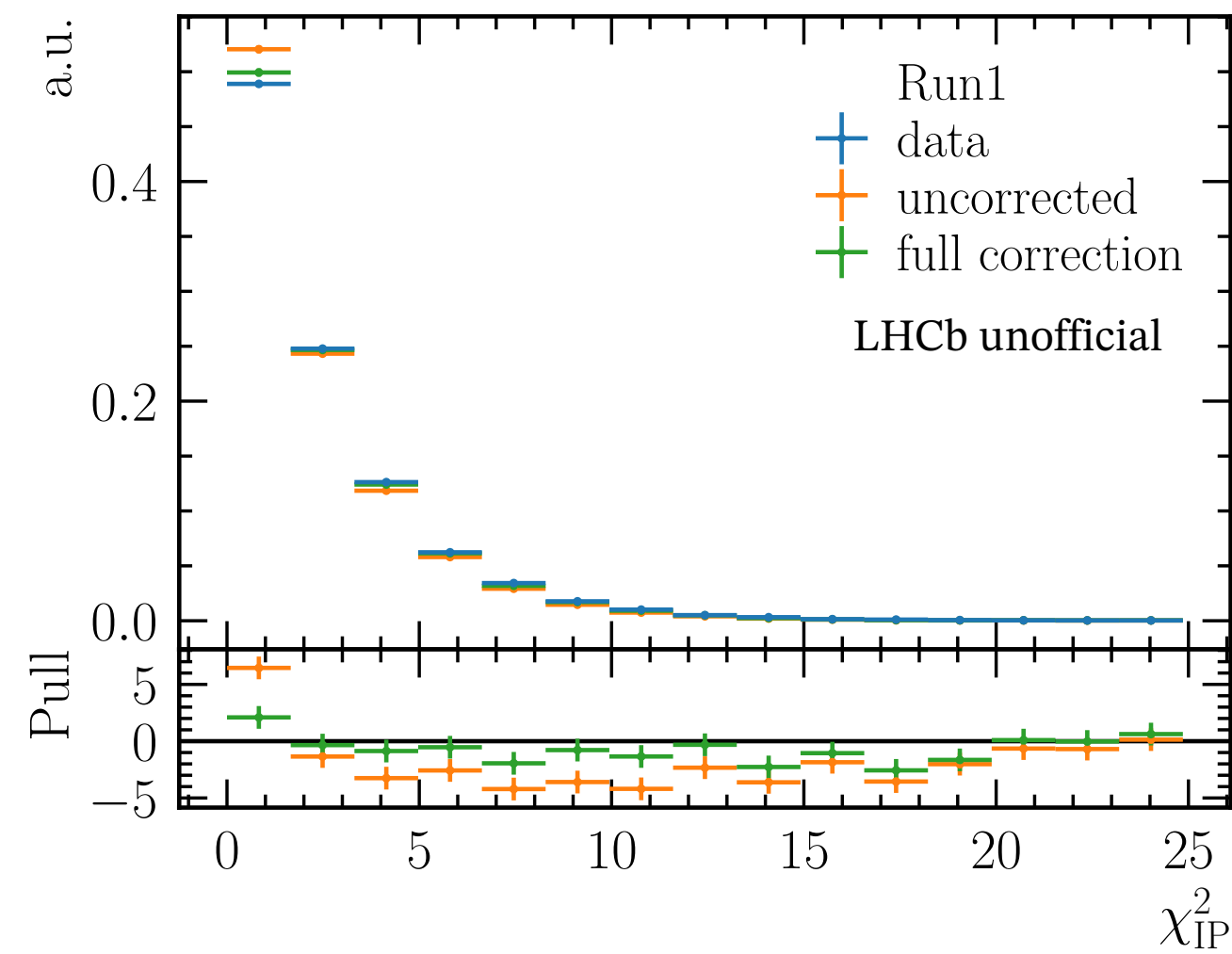
- **PID:** Resample particle identification response using pre-made calibration maps
- **Kin-mult:** Reweight the samples on kinematics and multiplicity variables using **Gradient Boosted Reweigher** (GBR) algorithm
- **Trigger:** Correct trigger efficiency using weights obtained by comparing trigger efficiencies in simulation and data
- **Reco:** Mitigate residual reconstruction effects by applying GBR on vertex quality and impact parameter



MC corrections

Total correction results - Run1

Tested on
 $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$
 resonant mode



Fits

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Corrections to simulation

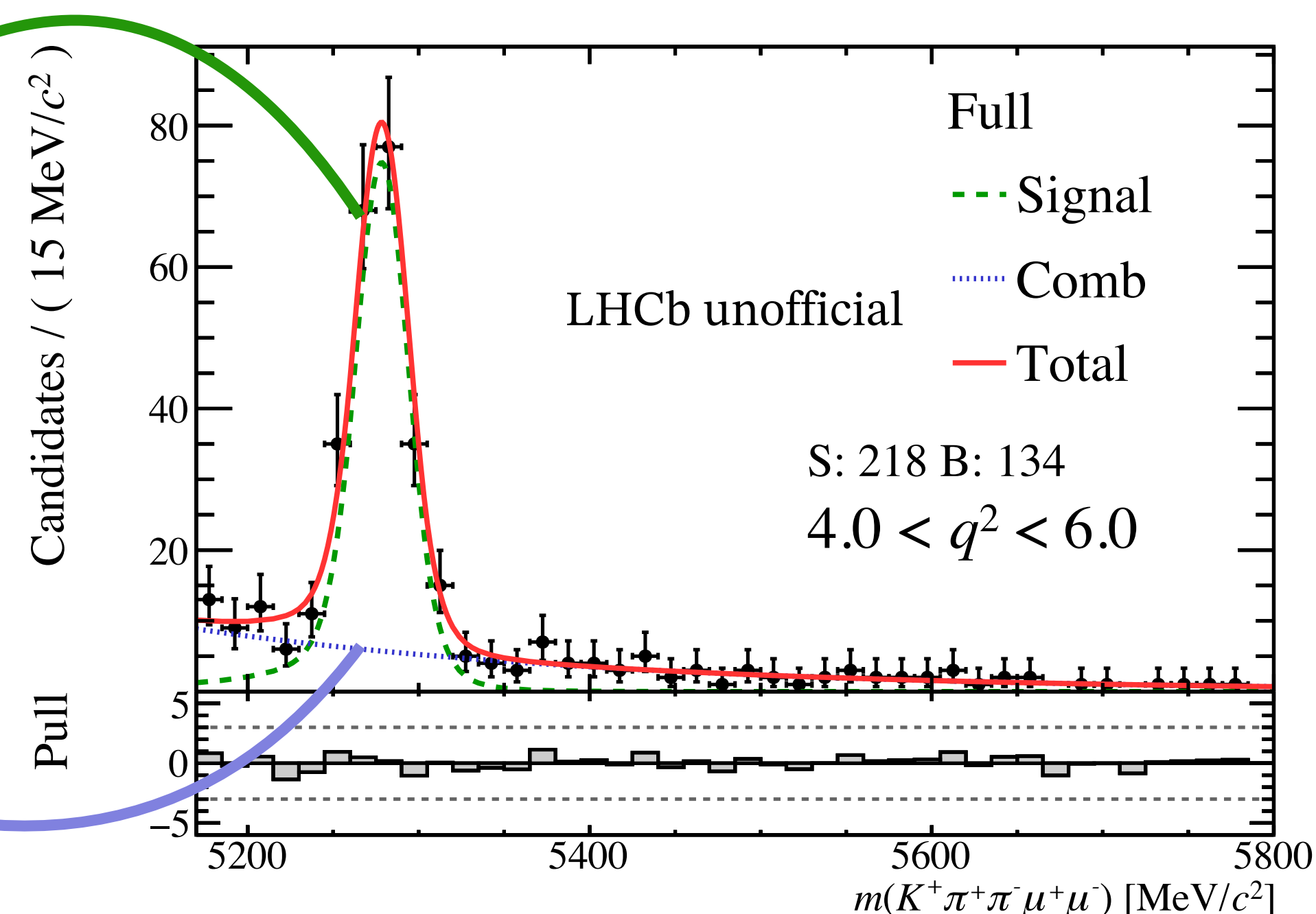
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Modelling of efficiency in terms of phase space

Fit to the rare mode B -mass distribution in **each q^2 bin**

Signal model:
Double Crystal Ball

Background model:
Exponential



- Signal shape parameters fixed from fits to simulation
- Signal model to rare mode data includes a **scale** and a **shift** parameter, fixed from $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$ fits, to allow for data-MC differences

Fits range restricted to $M_{K\pi\pi\mu\mu} \in [5170, 5800]$ to prevent leakage of partially reconstructed B decays into the fit region

Efficiency

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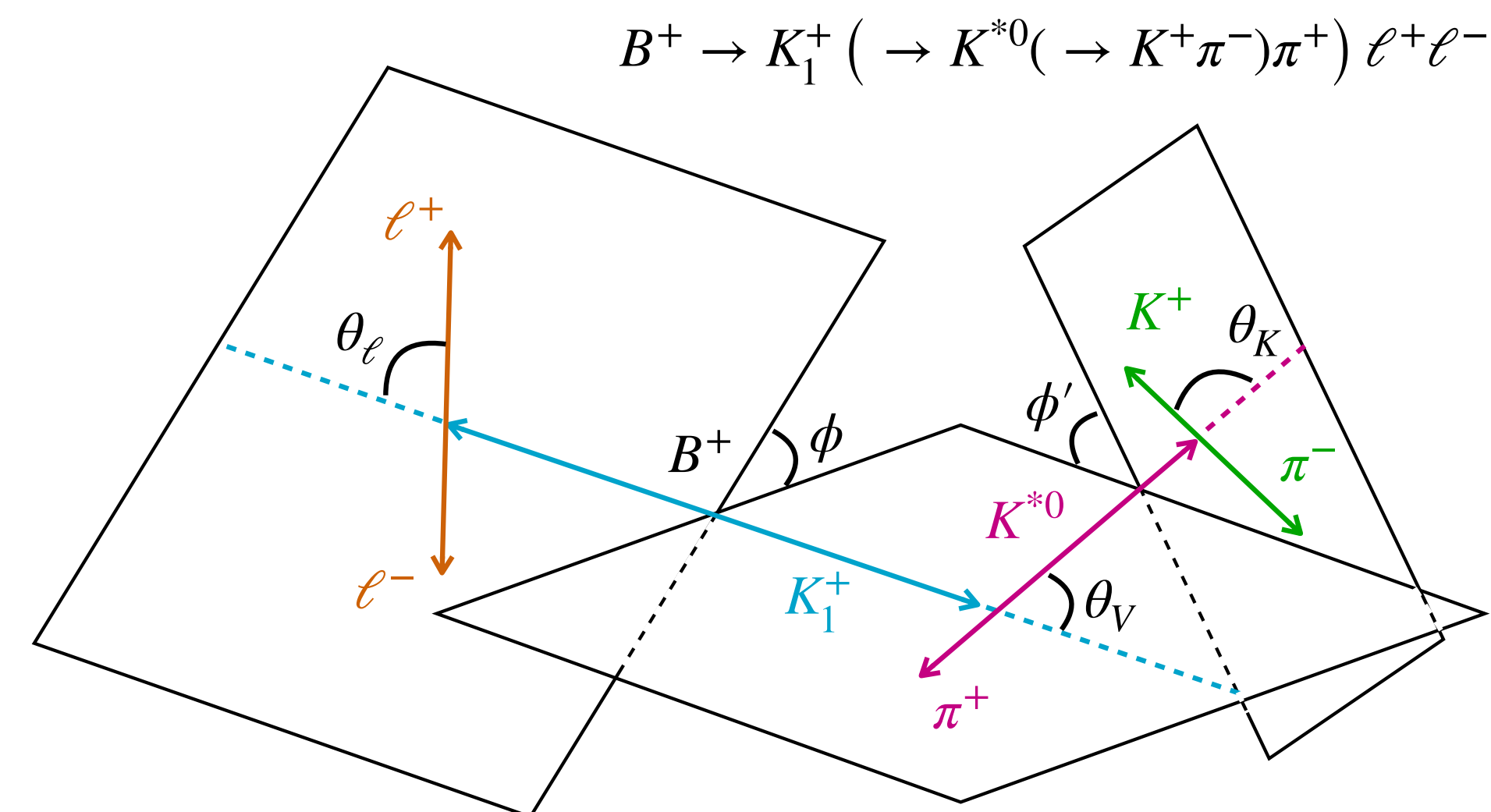
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**Modelling of efficiency
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Parametrise the total efficiency in terms of $\cos \theta_K$, $\cos \theta_L$, $\cos \theta_V$, ϕ , $m^2(\pi\pi)$, $m^2(\pi K)$, $m(K\pi\pi)$, q^2

- Compute the branching ratios using the weights from fits and the per-event efficiencies

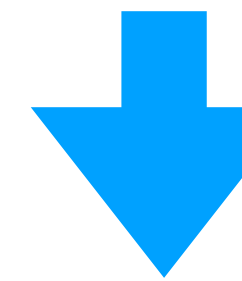


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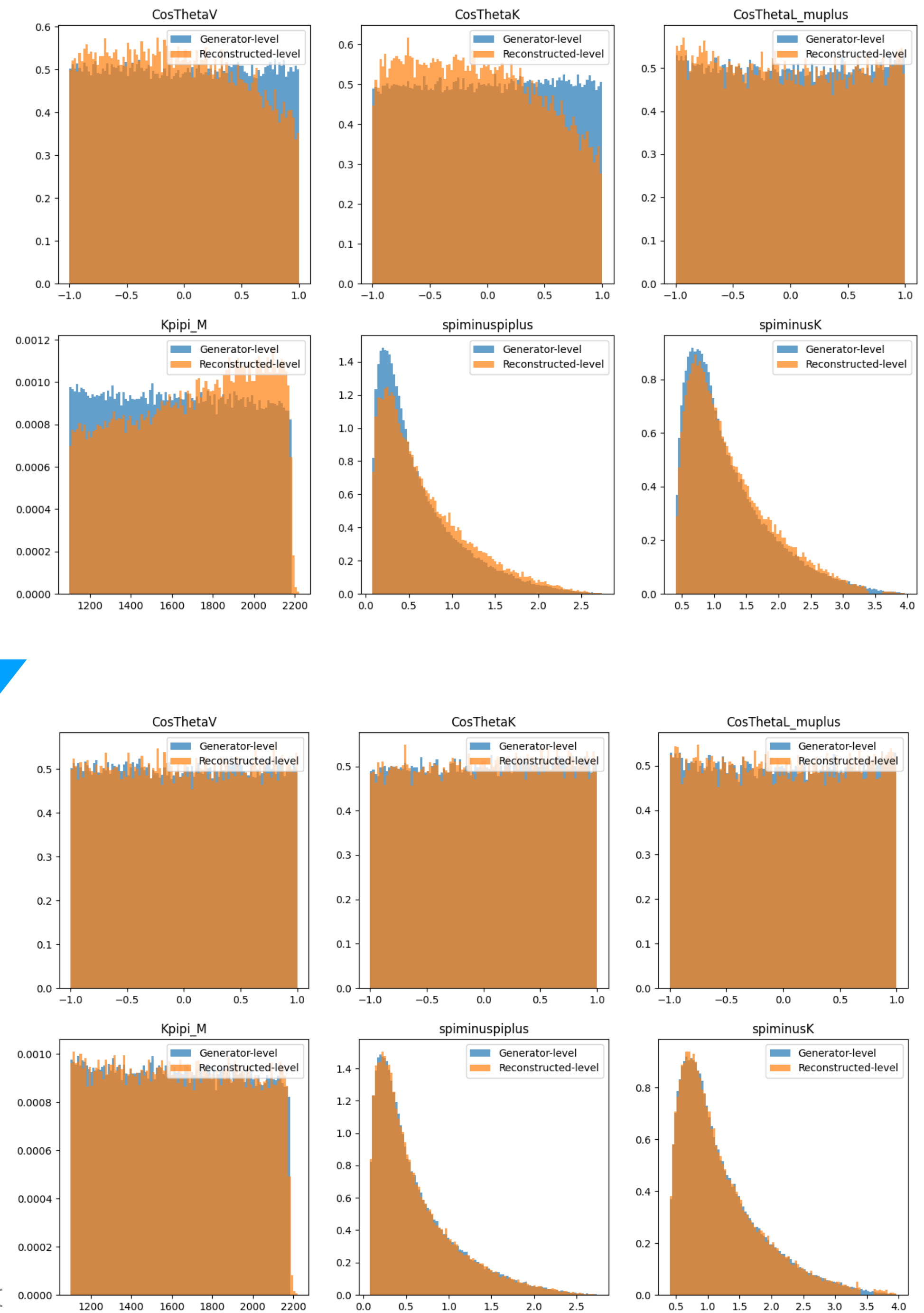
With Gradient Boosted Reweighters

- Try a machine learning approach to the multi-dimensional task:
 - Train a GBR on generator-level and reconstructed, selected MC, using the degrees of freedom as training features
 - Use the obtained weights, normalised to total efficiency, as the per-event efficiencies
- Good results obtained with 6D&7D so far

Before reweighting



After reweighting



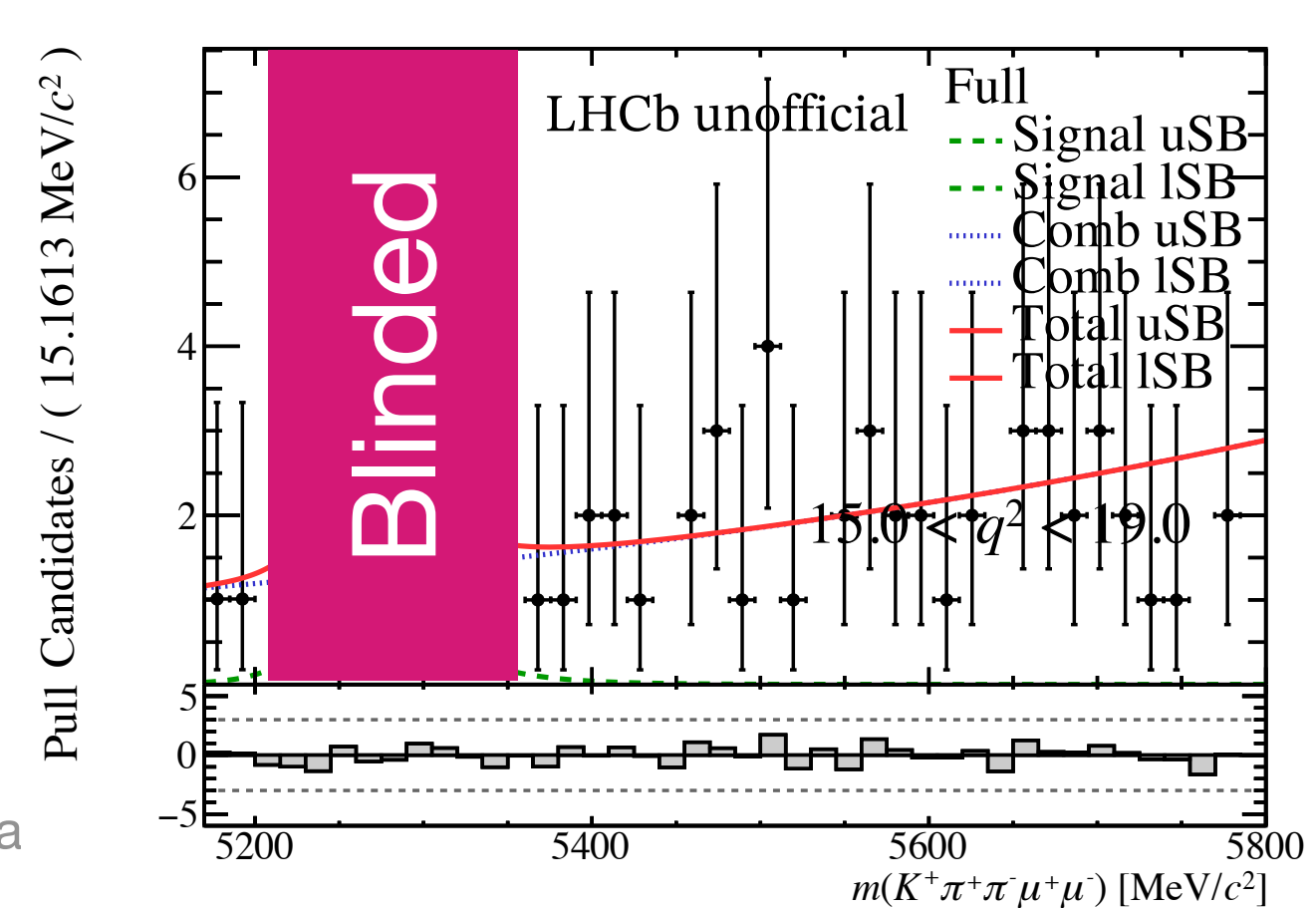
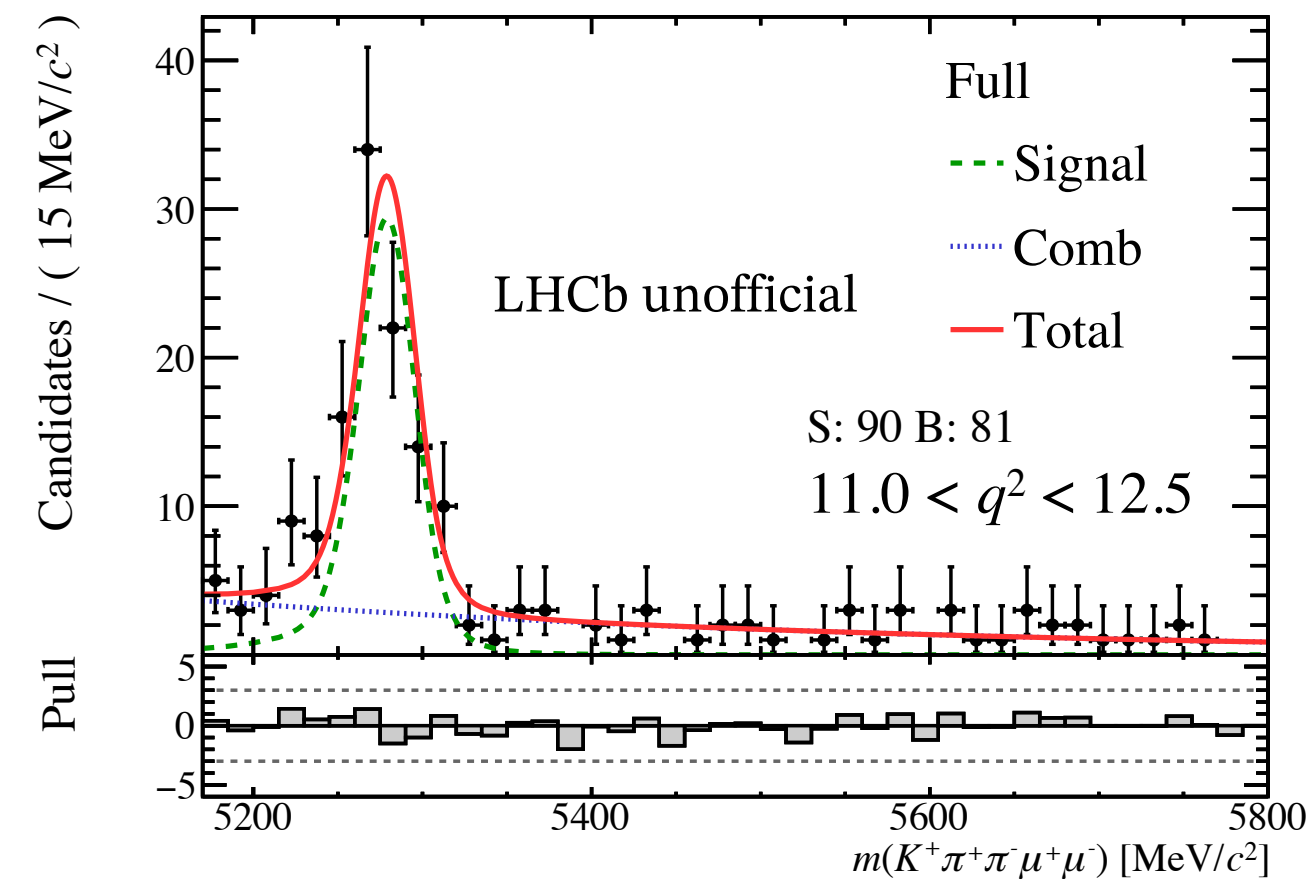
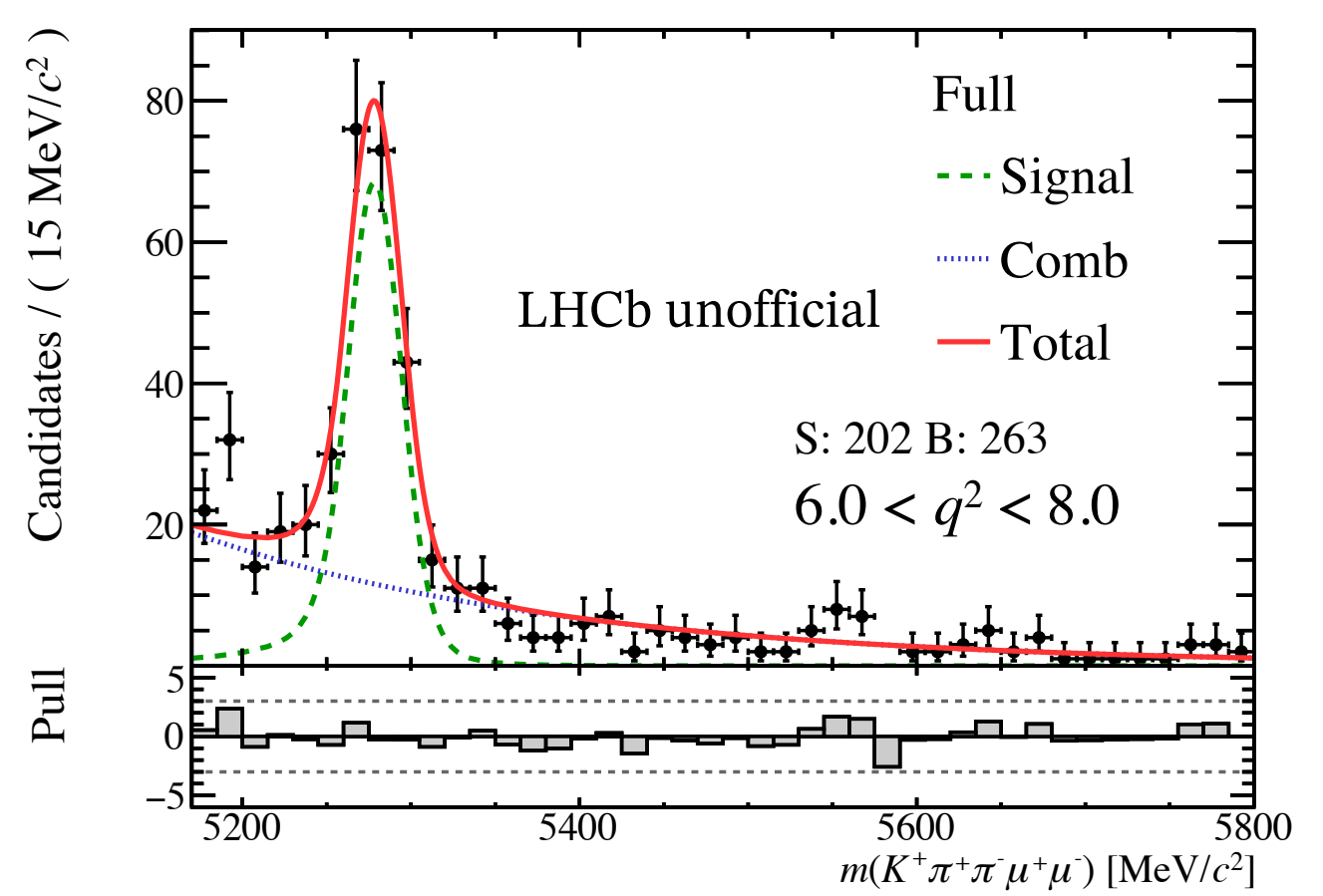
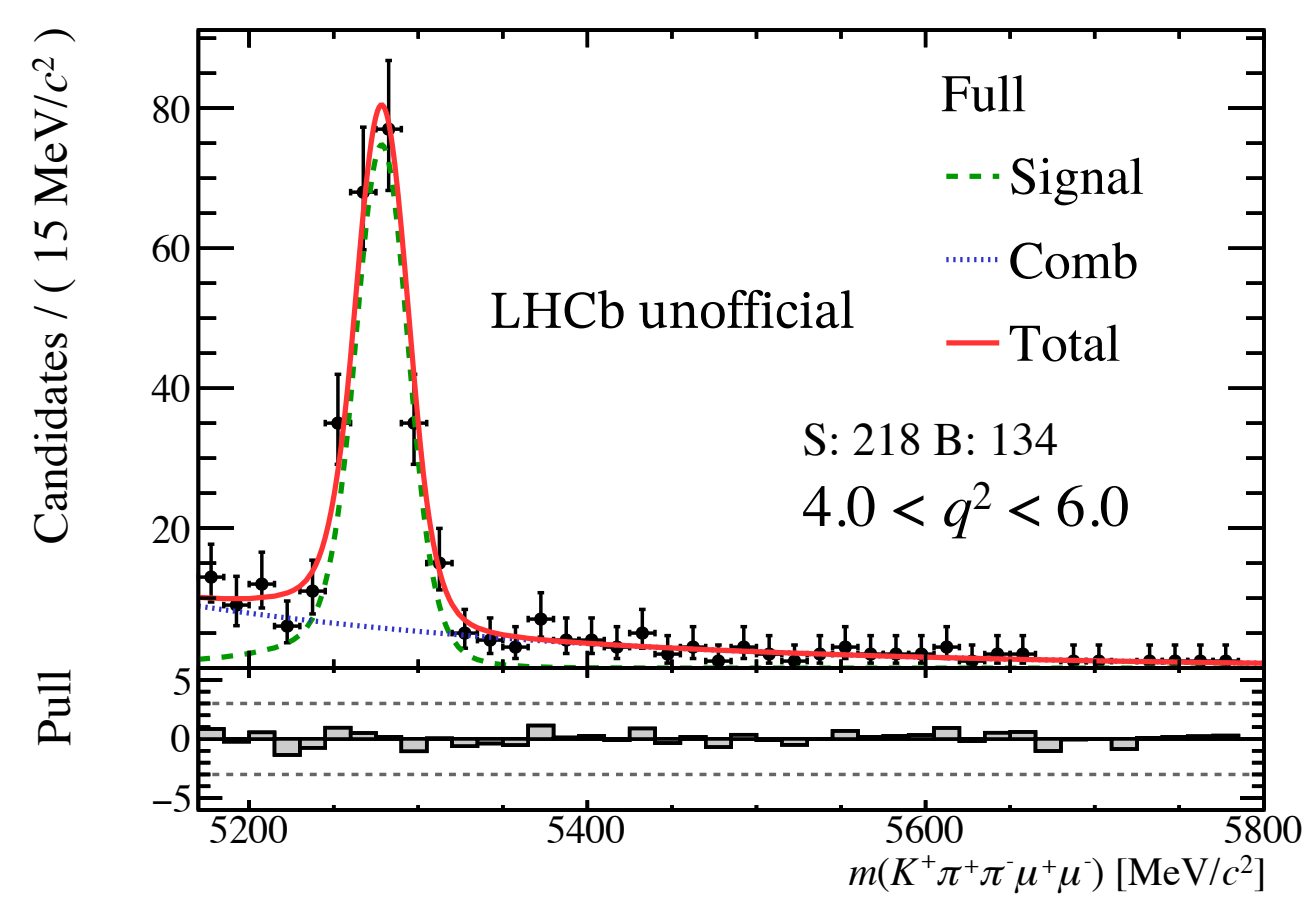
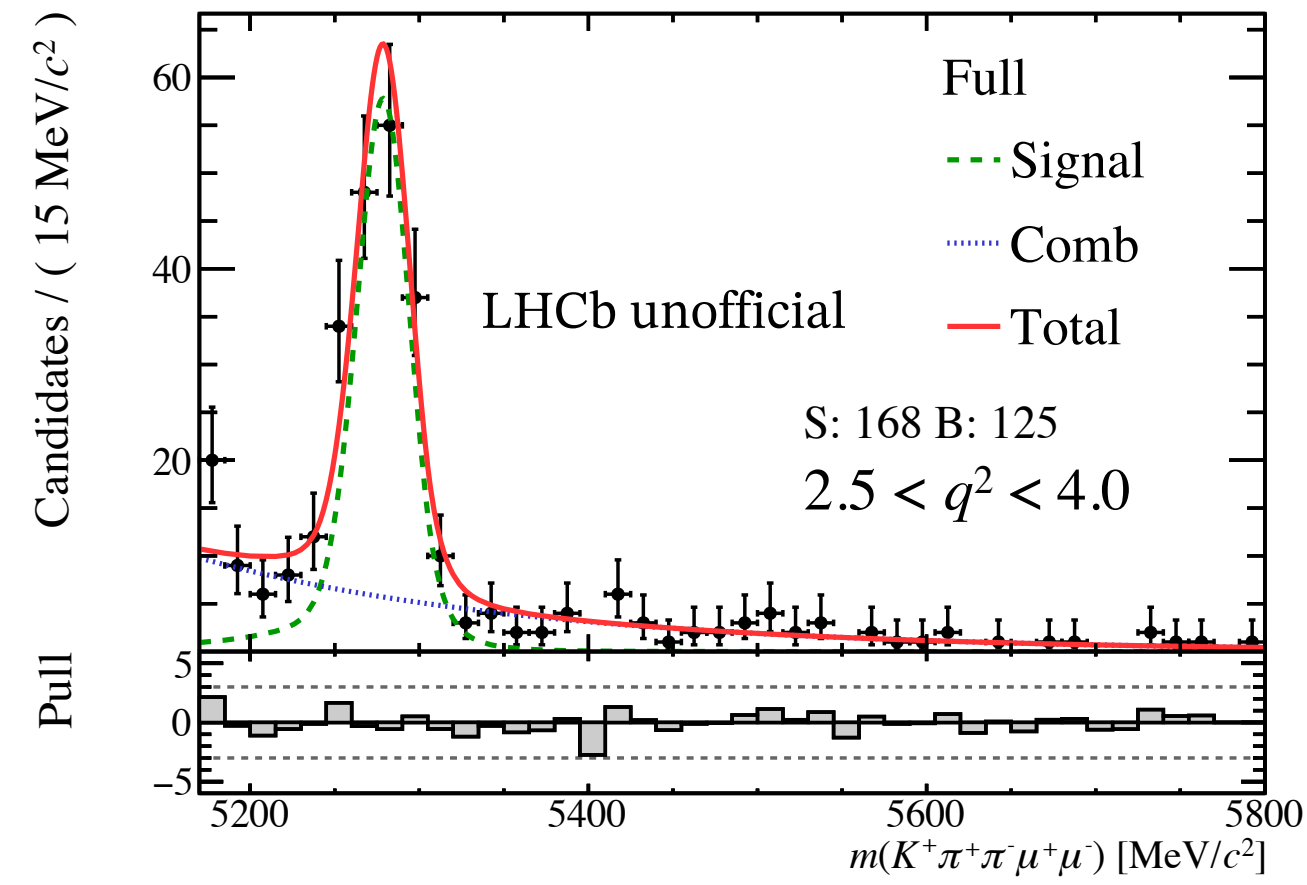
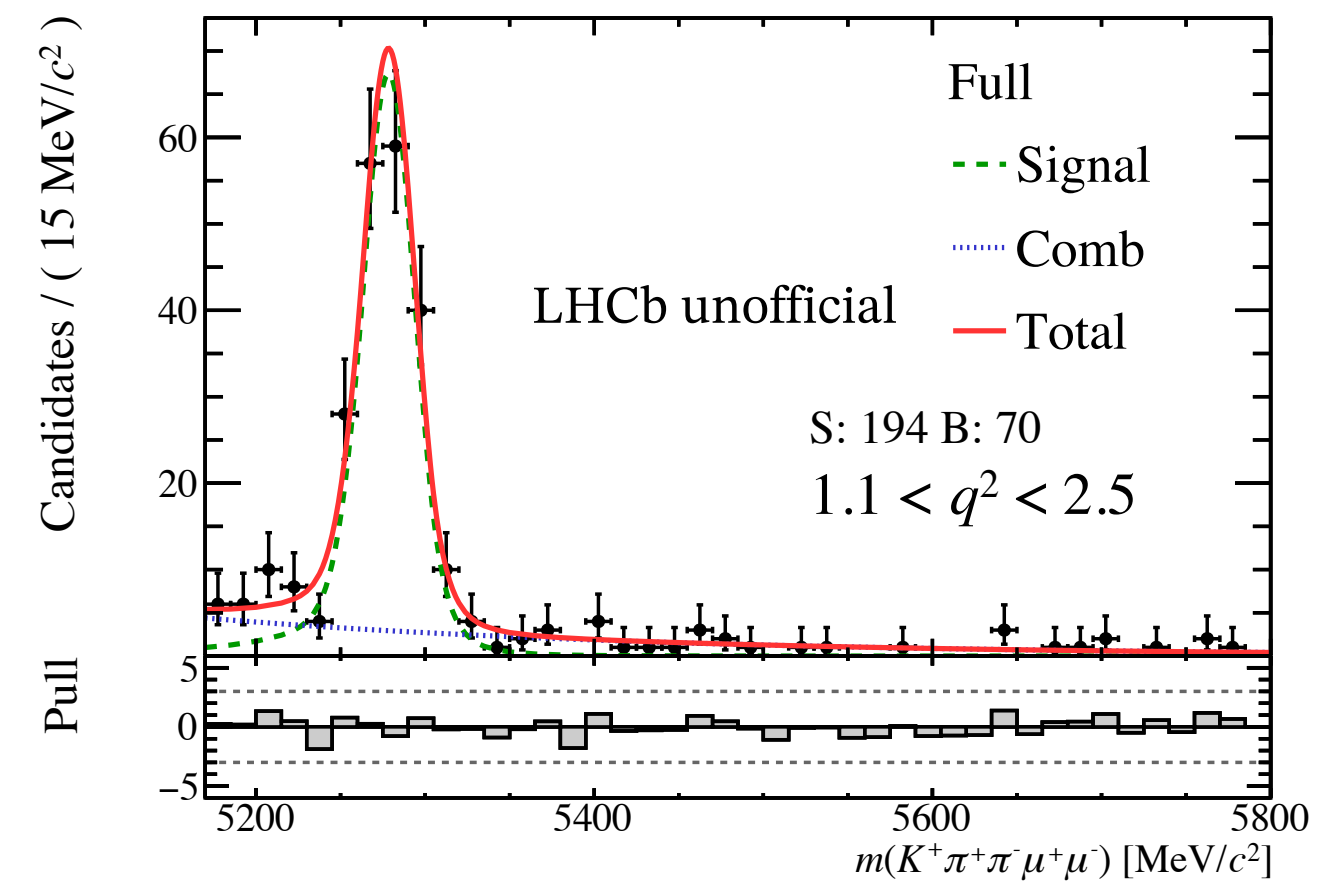
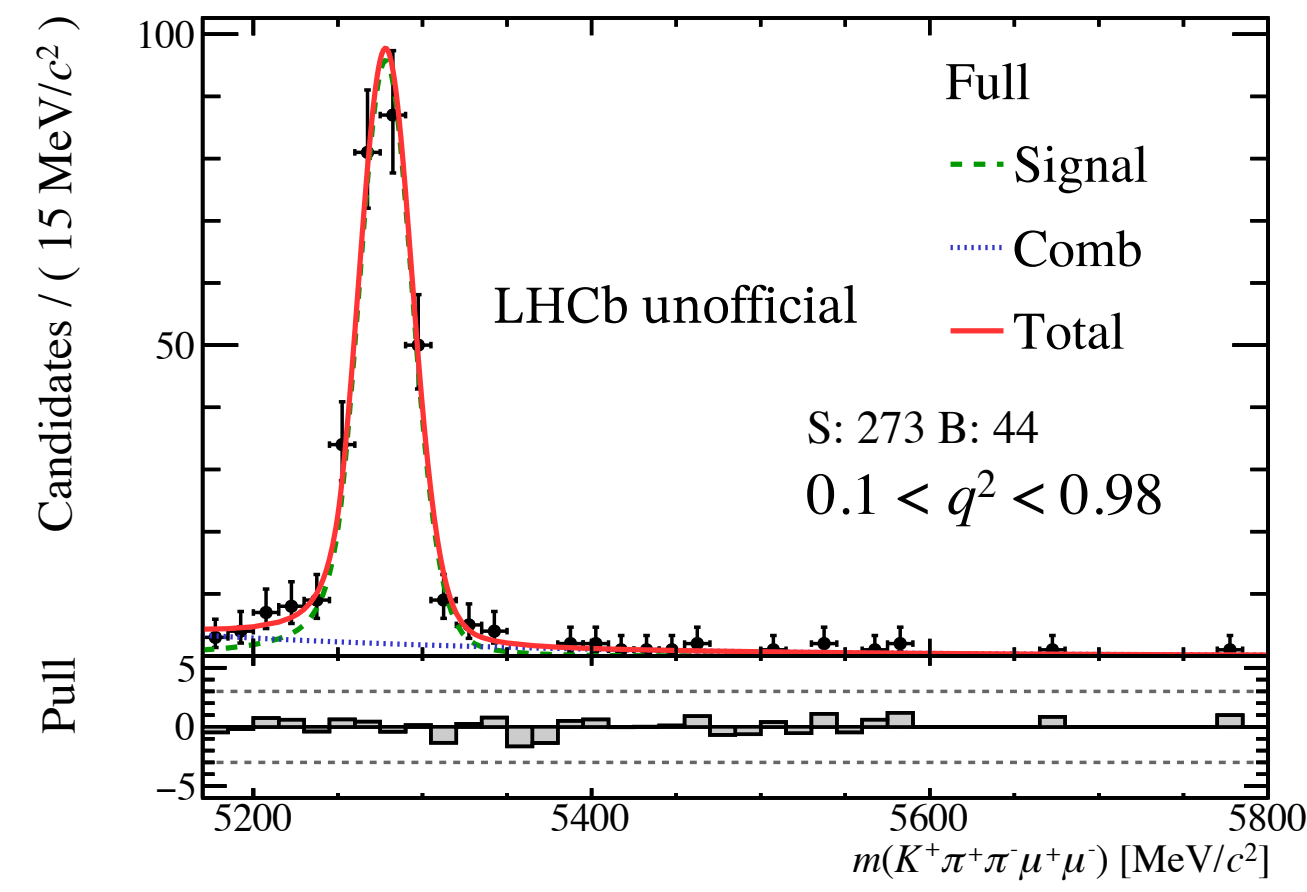
Summary and outlook

- Precision tests of rare decays involving $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ transitions can be used to indirectly search for new physics
- Ongoing measurement aims to improve the precision of $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+\pi^+\pi^-\mu^+\mu^-)$, and provide a measurement of the branching ratio in the high- q^2 region
 - Analysis is moving towards completion, the missing links at the moment are the finalisation of the efficiency model and the measurement of the normalisation channel
- Longer-term plans include studying the previously unexplored angular structure and CP-violation of the $B^+ \rightarrow K^+\pi^+\pi^-\mu^+\mu^-$ channel

Thank you for your attention!

Backup

Fits Results



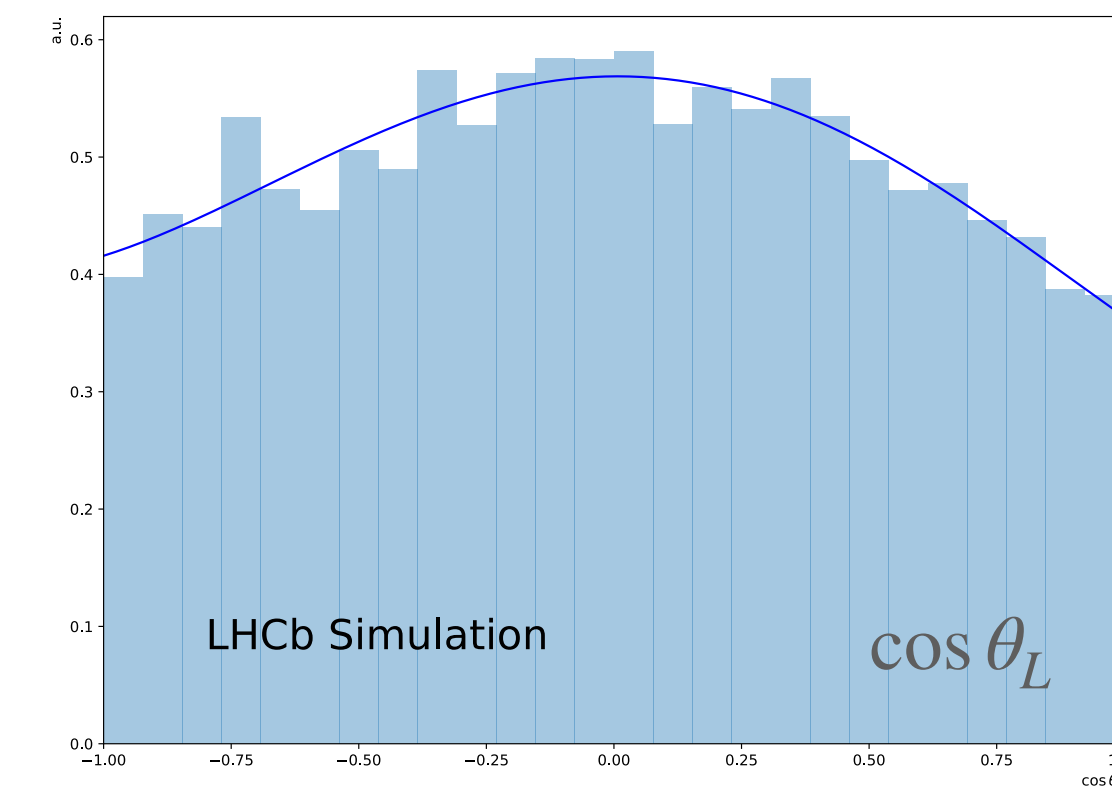
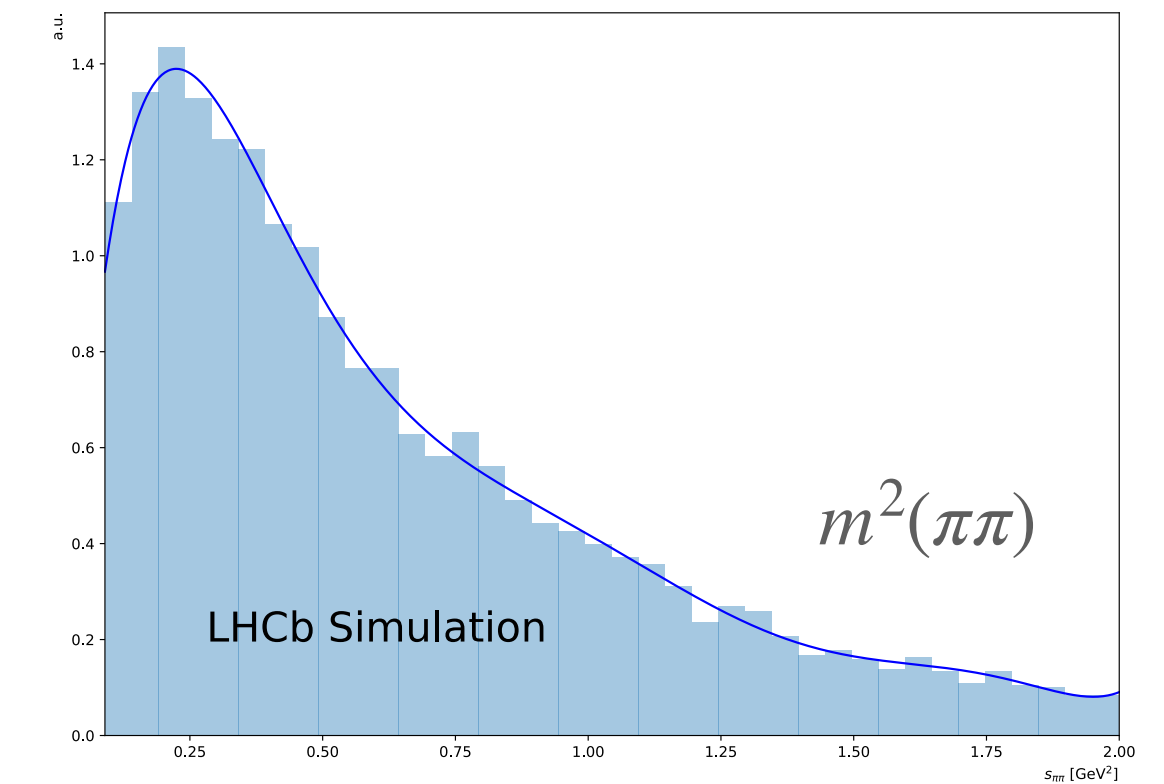
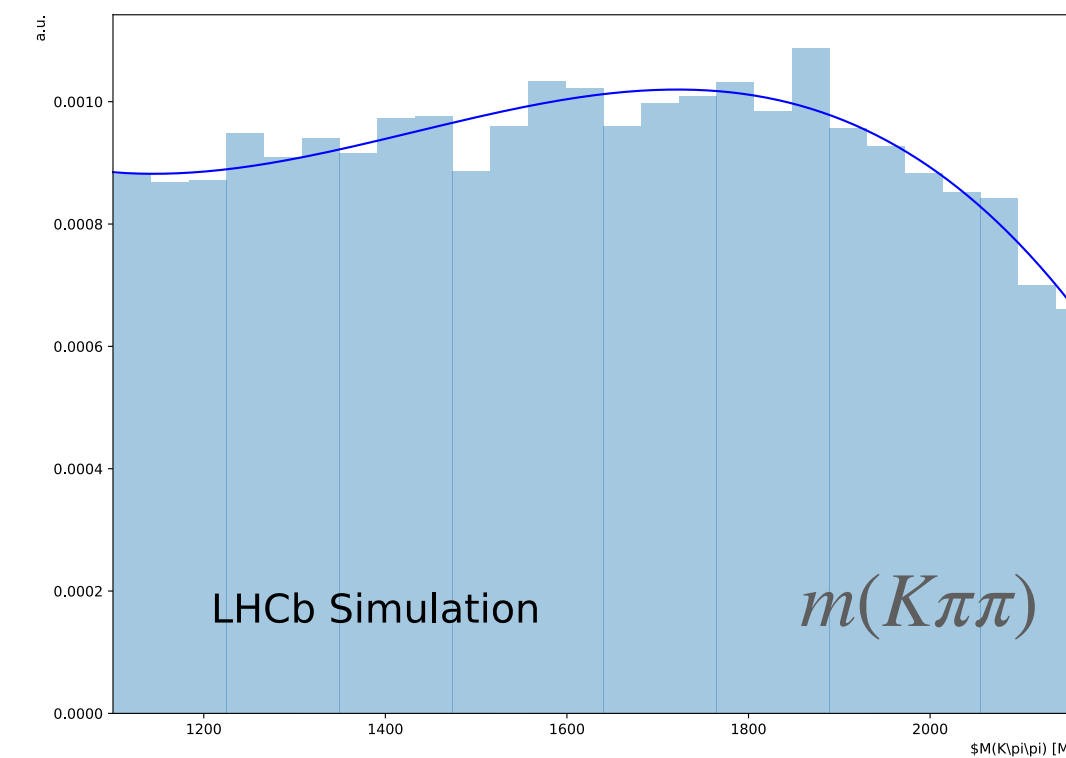
Run 1 + Run 2

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Efficiency

With Legendre polynomials

- Use Legendre polynomials to model the efficiency in terms of the Dalitz masses and decay angles
 - Fit the polynomials to both generator-level and reconstructed, selected MC
- Fitting in 8D is computationally very intensive, requires > 500GB RAM
 - ➔ Not technically feasible
- Cannot factorise due to correlations between the variables



$$\{v\} = \{\cos \theta_K, \cos \theta_L, \cos \theta_V, \phi, m^2(\pi\pi), m^2(\pi K), m(K\pi\pi), q^2\}$$

$$\epsilon(\{v\}) = \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_8} c_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_8} \prod_{j=1}^8 L_{i_j}(v_j)$$

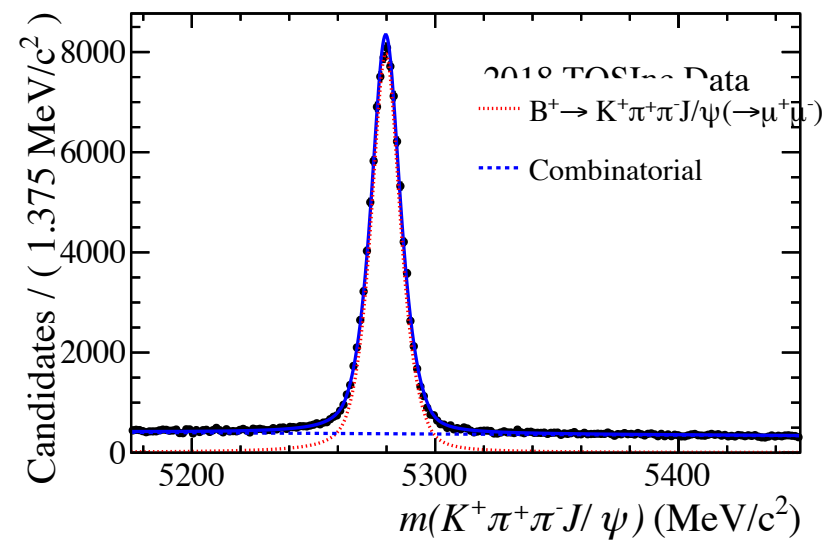
Legendre polynomials

Multivariate selection

Cut optimisation

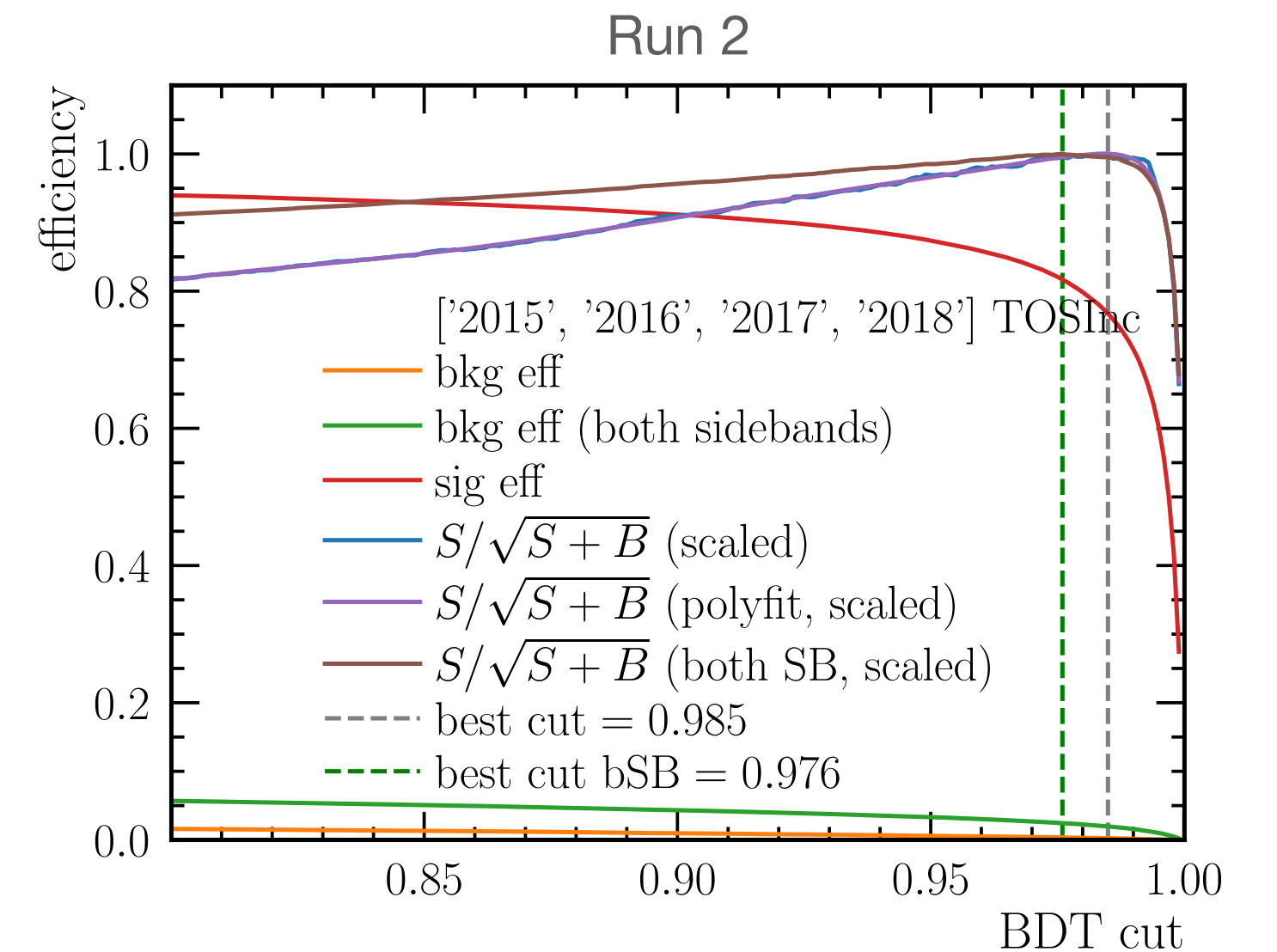
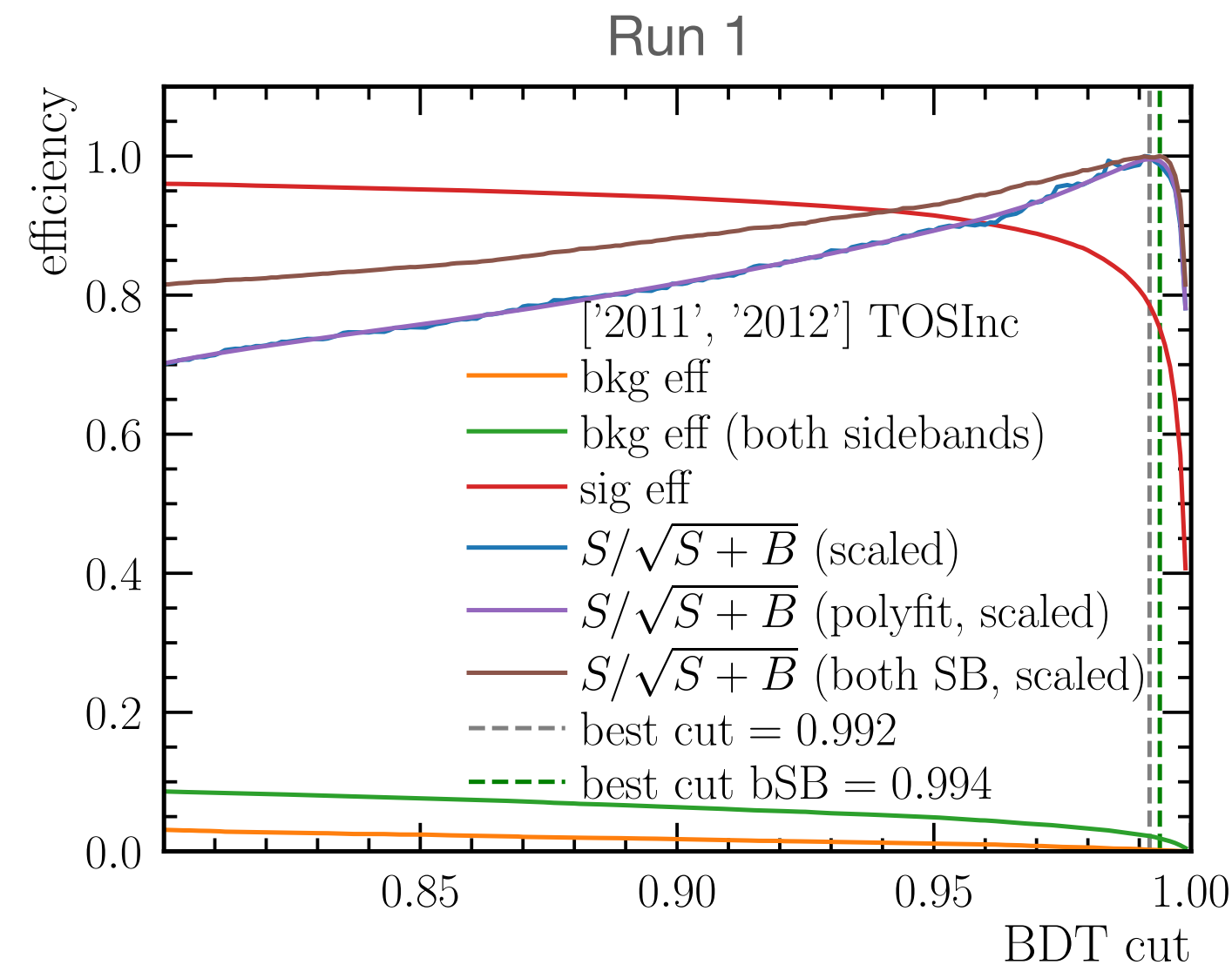
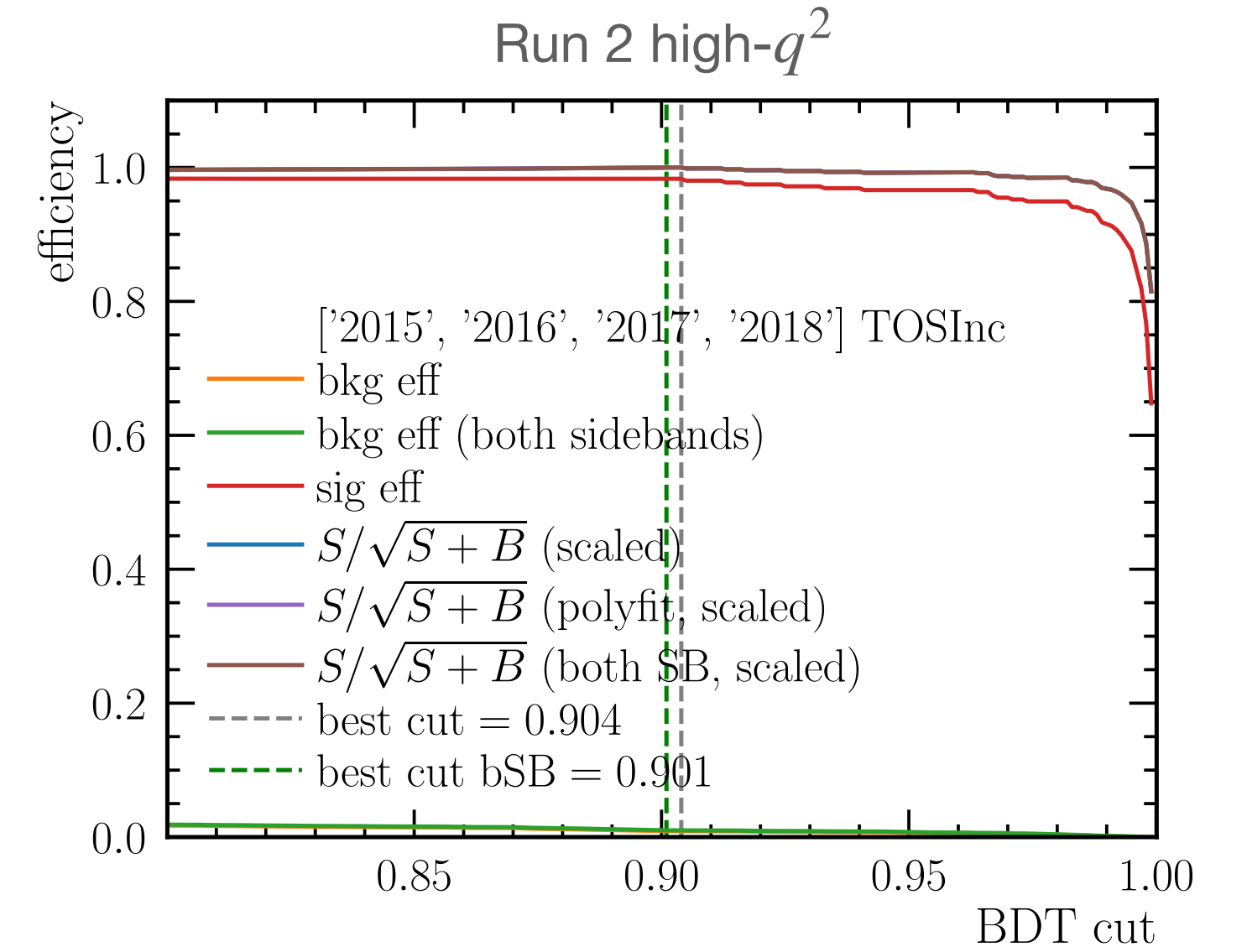
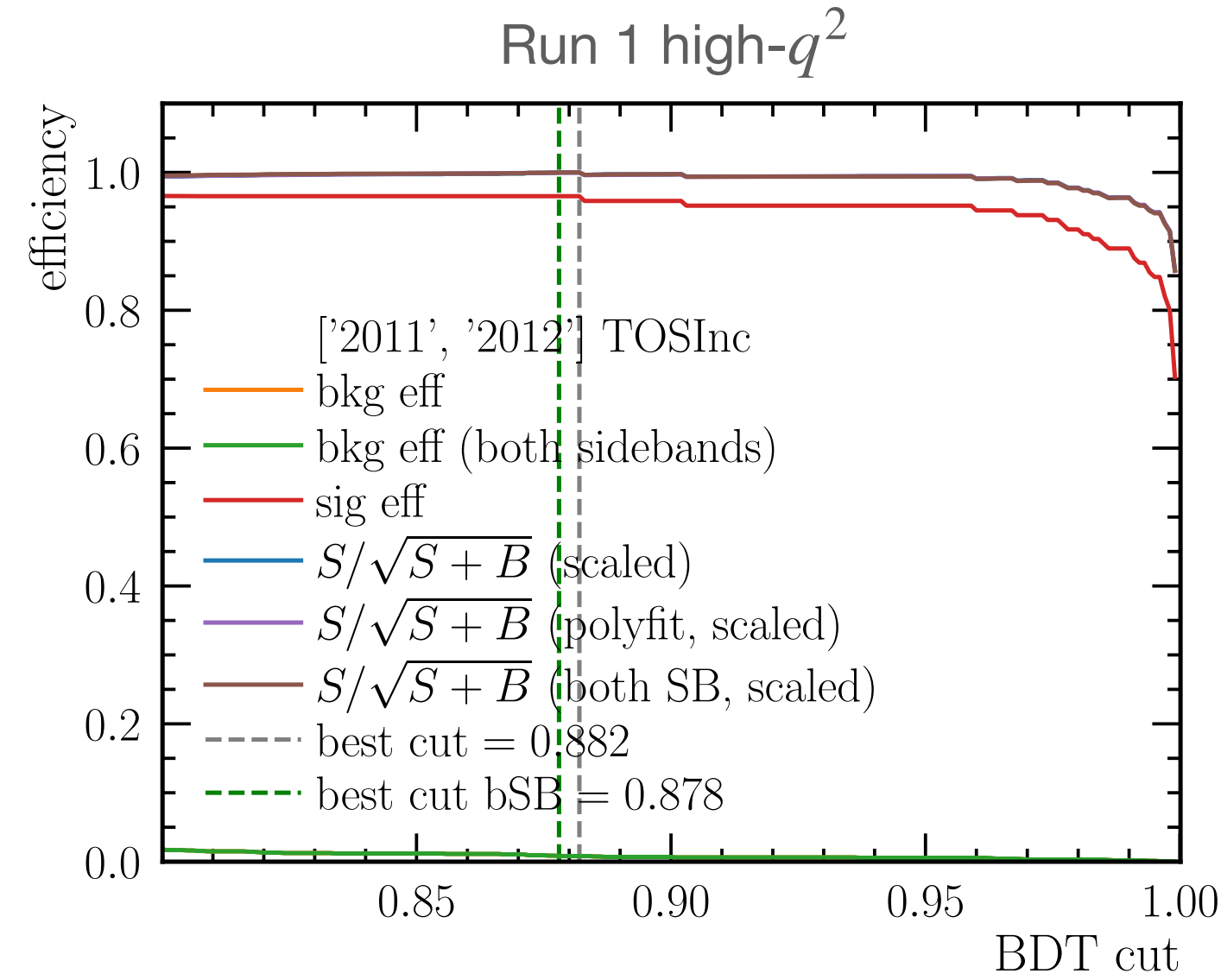
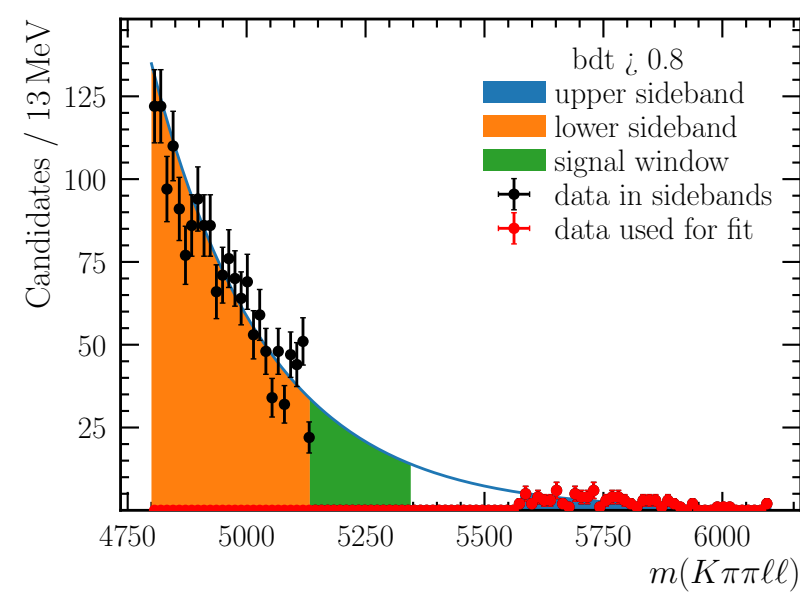
Signal estimated as

$$S = N_{reso} \times \frac{\epsilon_{rare}}{\epsilon_{reso}} \times \frac{\mathcal{B}_{rare}}{\mathcal{B}_{reso}} \times \epsilon_{BDT}$$



where N_{reso} is from a fit to J/ψ

Background estimated from fits to rare mode sideband(s)



Choice of normalisation channel

- Three options
 - $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$
 - $\mathcal{B} \approx 5 \times 10^{-5}$
 - High statistics, but large discrepancies in BR value
 - $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \psi(2S)(\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$
 - $\mathcal{B} \approx 3 \times 10^{-6}$
 - Previous BR measurements more consistent, but less statistics in our samples
 - $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \psi(2S)(\rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-))$
 - $\mathcal{B} \approx 1 \times 10^{-5}$
 - Cannot use the same efficiency model due to different decay topology

$\Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi(1S)K^+\pi^+\pi^-)/\Gamma_{\text{total}}$		
VALUE (10^{-3})		
0.81 ± 0.13	OUR AVERAGE	Error
0.716 ± 0.010 ± 0.060	Belle	
1.16 ± 0.07 ± 0.09	BaBar	
0.69 ± 0.18 ± 0.12		
(139 ± 81 ± 1) × 10 ⁻²		
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