

# FEASIBILITY STUDY OF $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \nu \bar{\nu}$ AT THE FCC-ee

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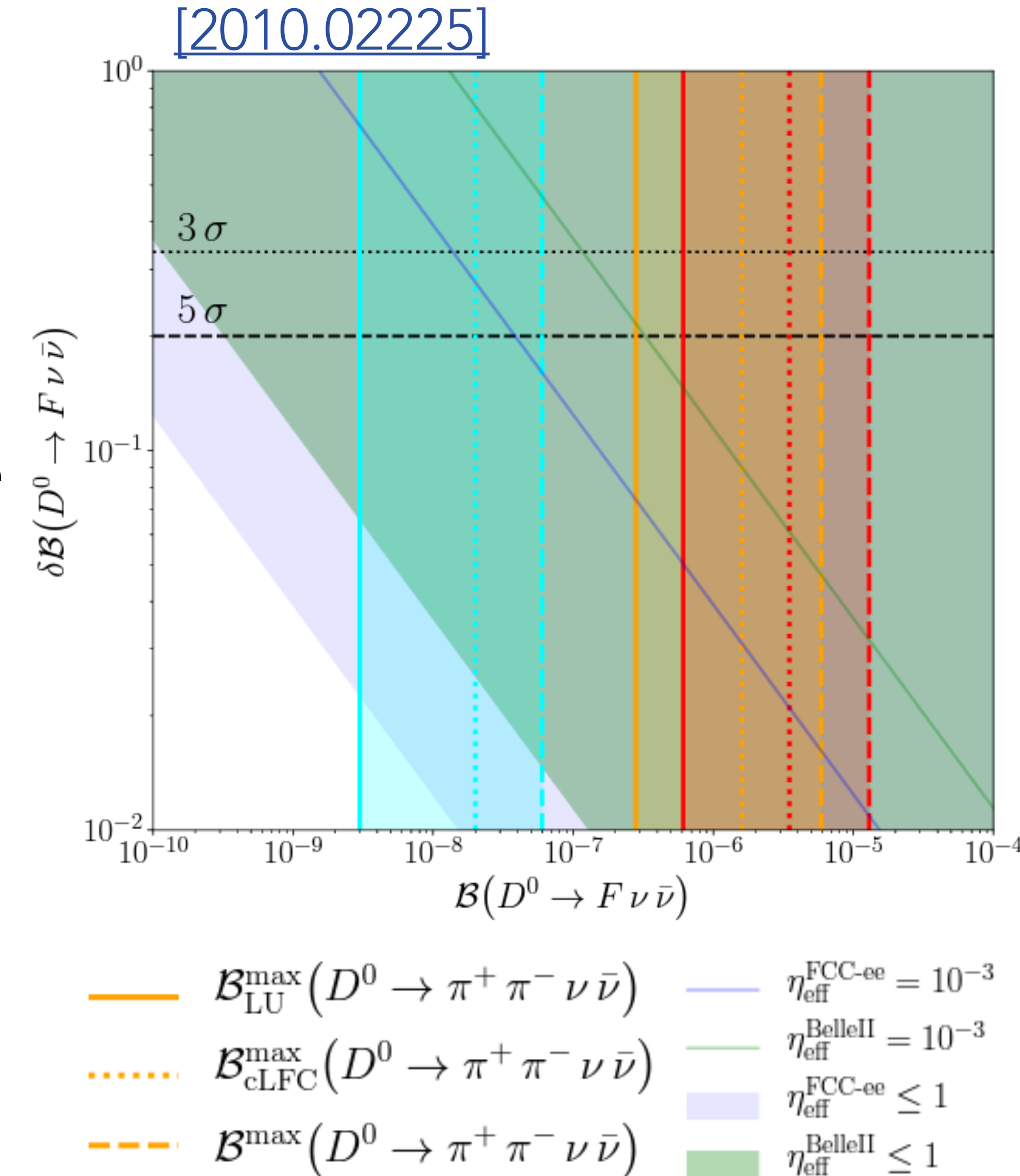
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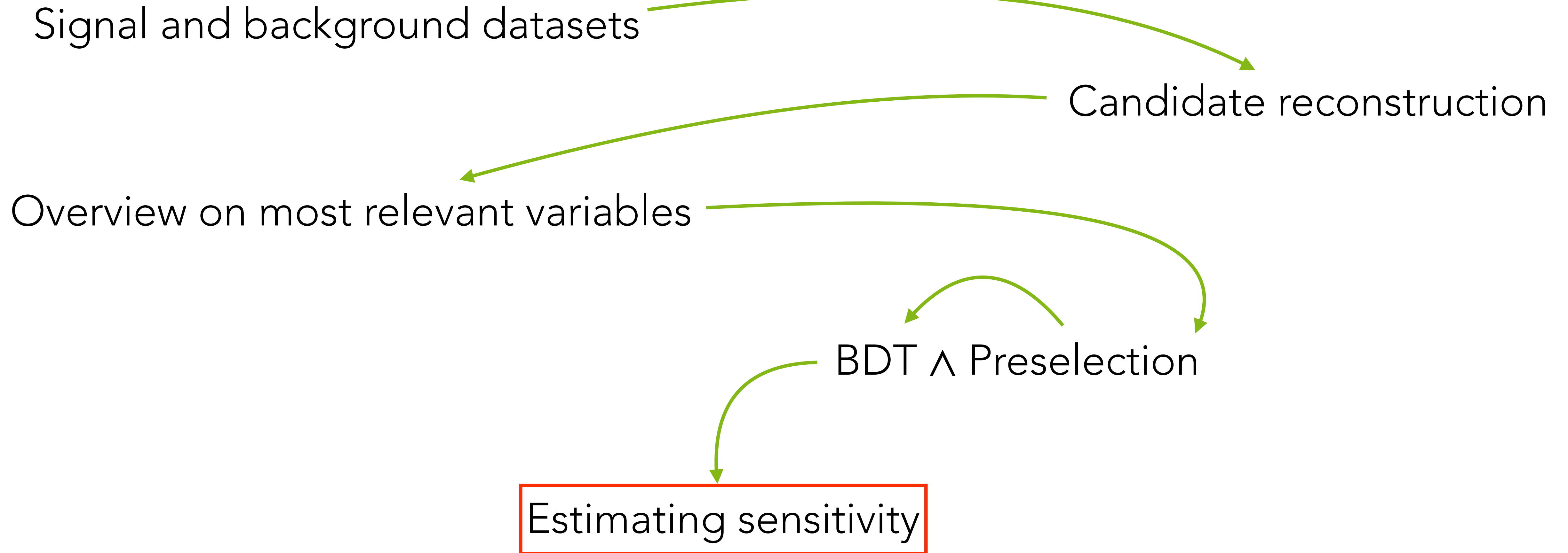
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# MOTIVATION

- $\mathcal{B}_{SM}(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \nu \bar{\nu})$  below experimental sensitivity  $\rightarrow$  null test
- Large enhancements possible for NP, with size depending on charged lepton flavor structure
- Recent interest in measurement of  $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$  [\[2311.14647\]](#)
- Existing study for  $b \rightarrow s \nu \bar{\nu}$  at FCC-ee [\[2309.11353\]](#)
- **Goal:** sensitivity estimate at FCC-ee for a given number of  $Z$  events

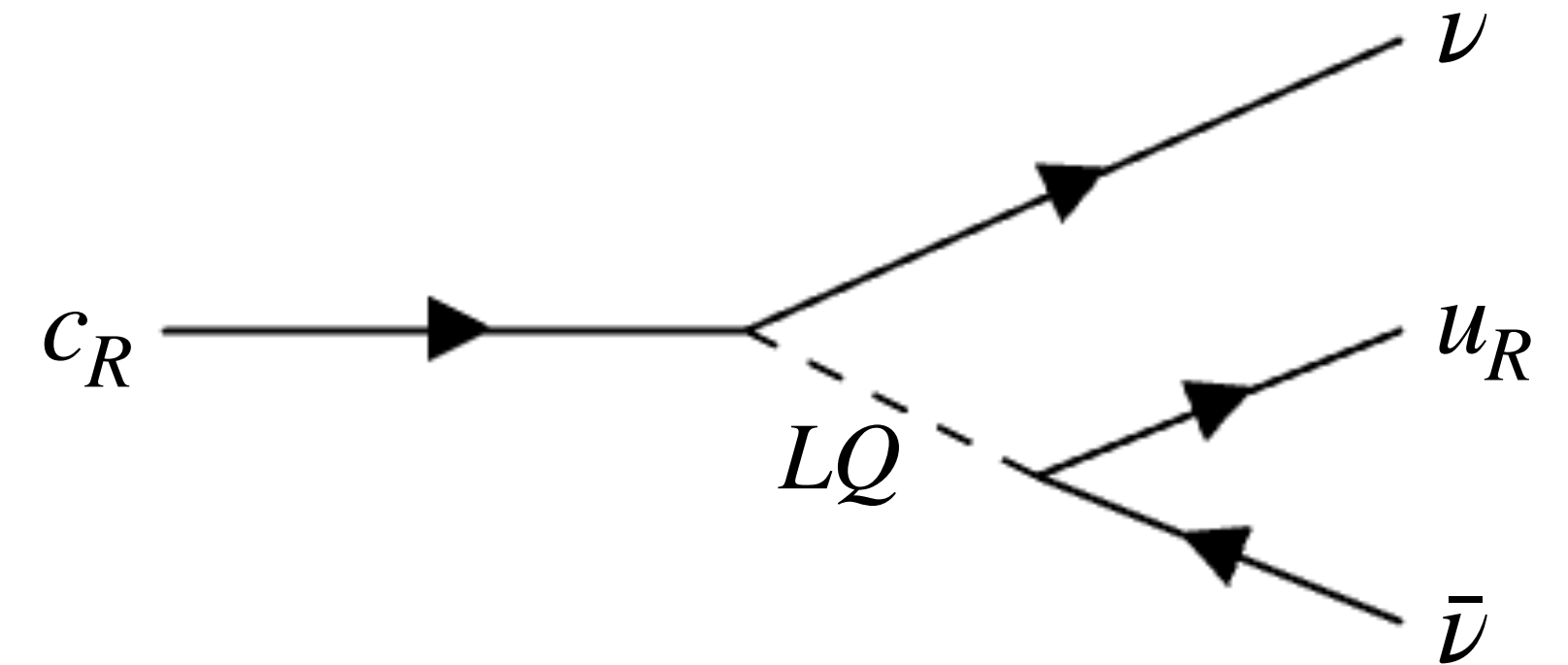


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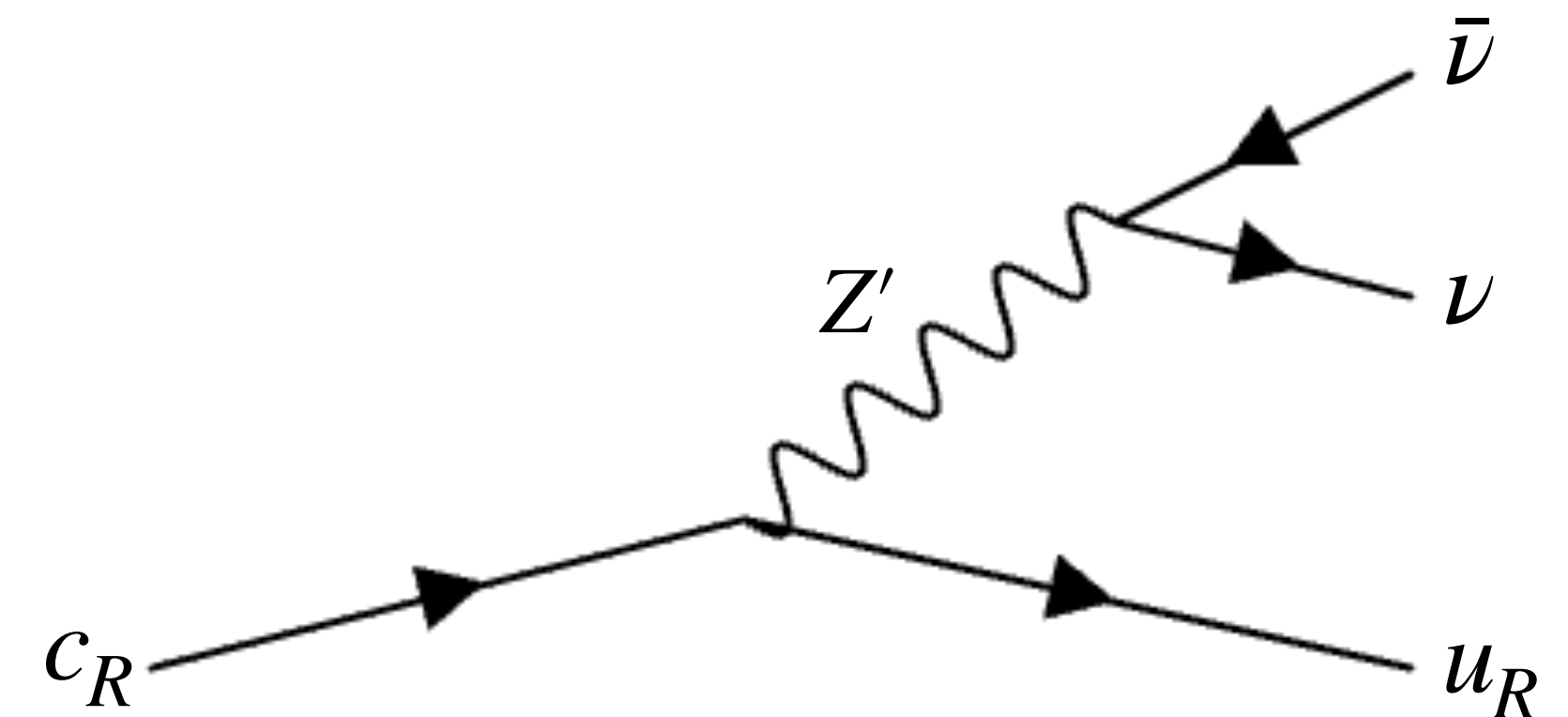
# SIGNAL

- Simulate inclusive  $Z \rightarrow c\bar{c}$  with PYTHIA8
- Generate  $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\nu\bar{\nu}$  using PHSP model in EvtGen  
(no resonances in  $m(\pi^+\pi^-)$ )  
 $\Rightarrow 10^6$  signal events



# BACKGROUND

- Inclusive  $Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  IDEA samples from [Winter 2023](#)
- $100 \times 10^6$  of each quark flavor ( $u/d, s, c, b$ )  
 $\Rightarrow 400 \times 10^6$  events



# EXCLUSIVE BACKGROUNDS

- Potentially risky decays not included in incl. sample due to small  $\mathcal{B}$
  - Similar signature in detector than signal  $\rightarrow$  large missing  $p$
  - Signal channels from  $b \rightarrow s\nu\bar{\nu}$  study [[2309.11353v2](#)]
    - $B_s \rightarrow \phi(\rightarrow K^+K^-)\nu\bar{\nu}$
    - $B^0 \rightarrow K_S(\rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)\nu\bar{\nu}$
    - $B^0 \rightarrow K^*(\rightarrow K^+\pi^-)\nu\bar{\nu}$
- $2 \times 10^6$  samples each



# OVERVIEW

Signal and background datasets

Candidate reconstruction

Overview on most relevant variables

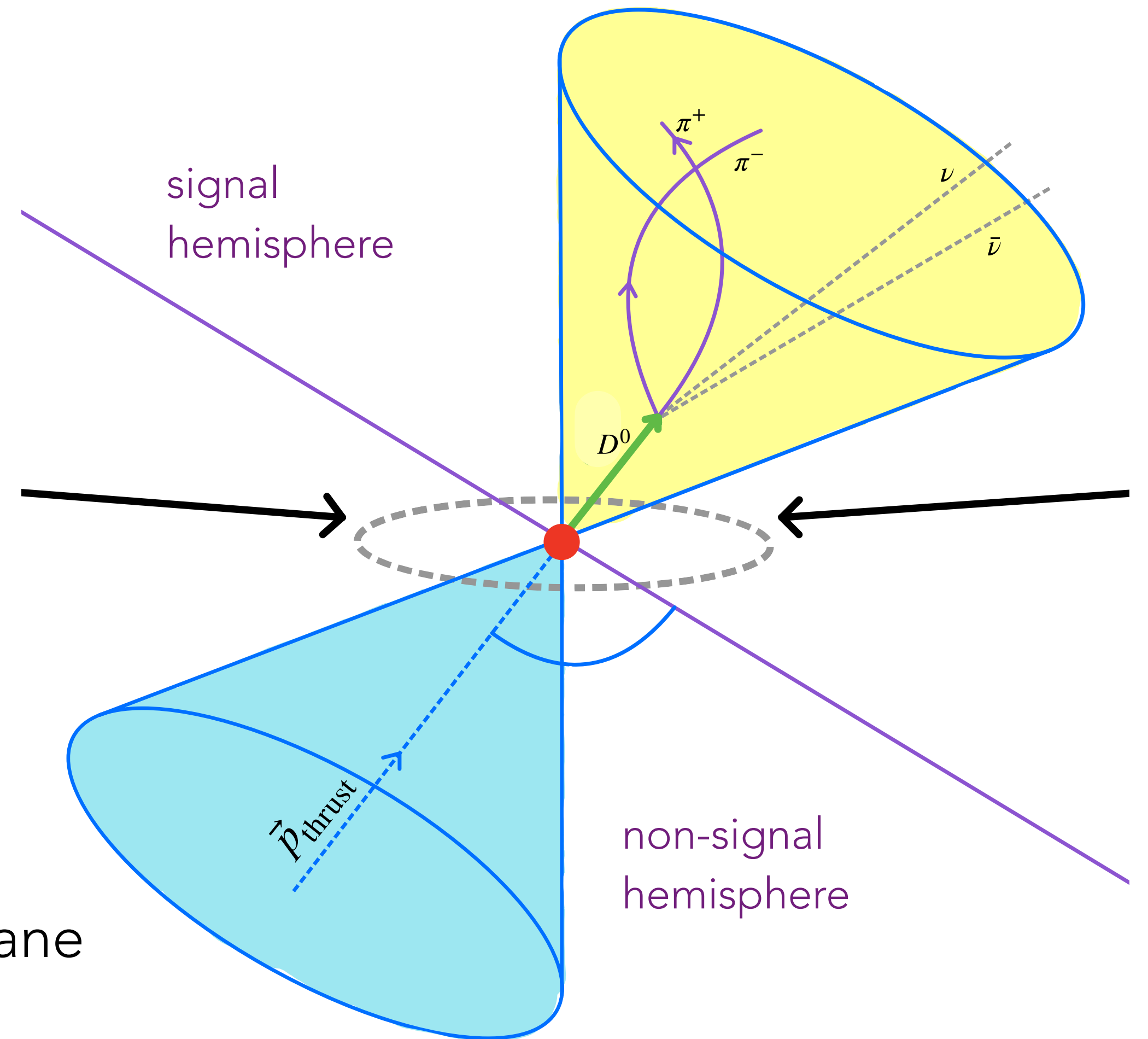
BDT  $\wedge$  Preselection

Estimating sensitivity

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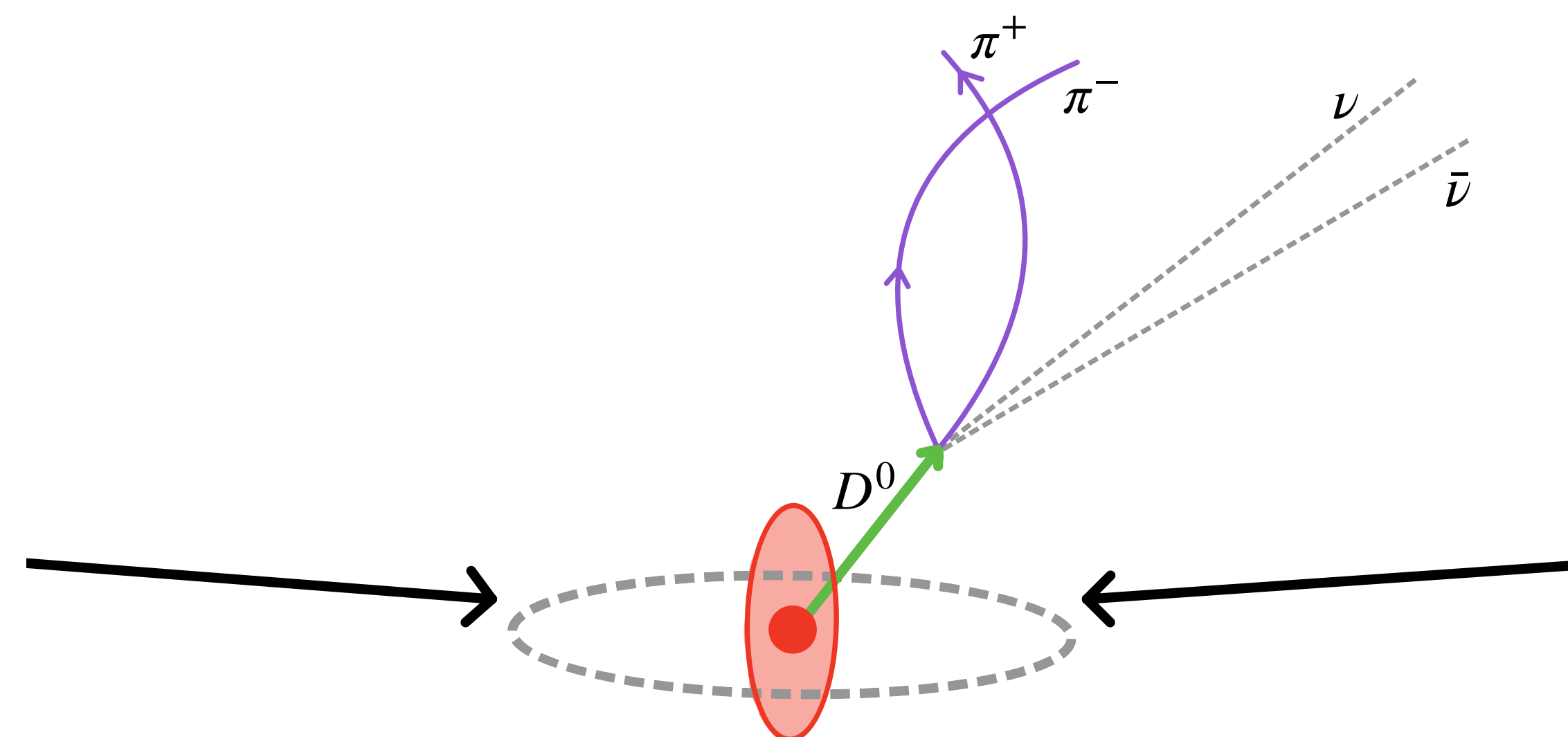
- Hemispheres normal to thrust of rec. event momenta and rel. to signal candidate

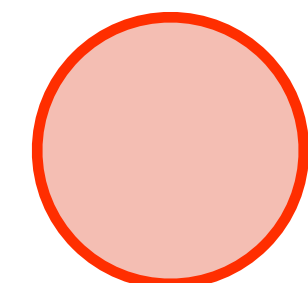
thrust  $\perp$  hem. plane



# RECONSTRUCTING SIGNAL CANDIDATES

- Define tracks originating from Luminous Region (LR)
- PV reconstruction, as used in other studies, inefficient due to limited flight distance of charm hadrons ( $\epsilon_{\text{reco}} \sim 36\%$ )
- Ellipse condition around  $(0, 0, 0)$ :  
( $\epsilon_{\text{reco}} \sim 50\%$ )



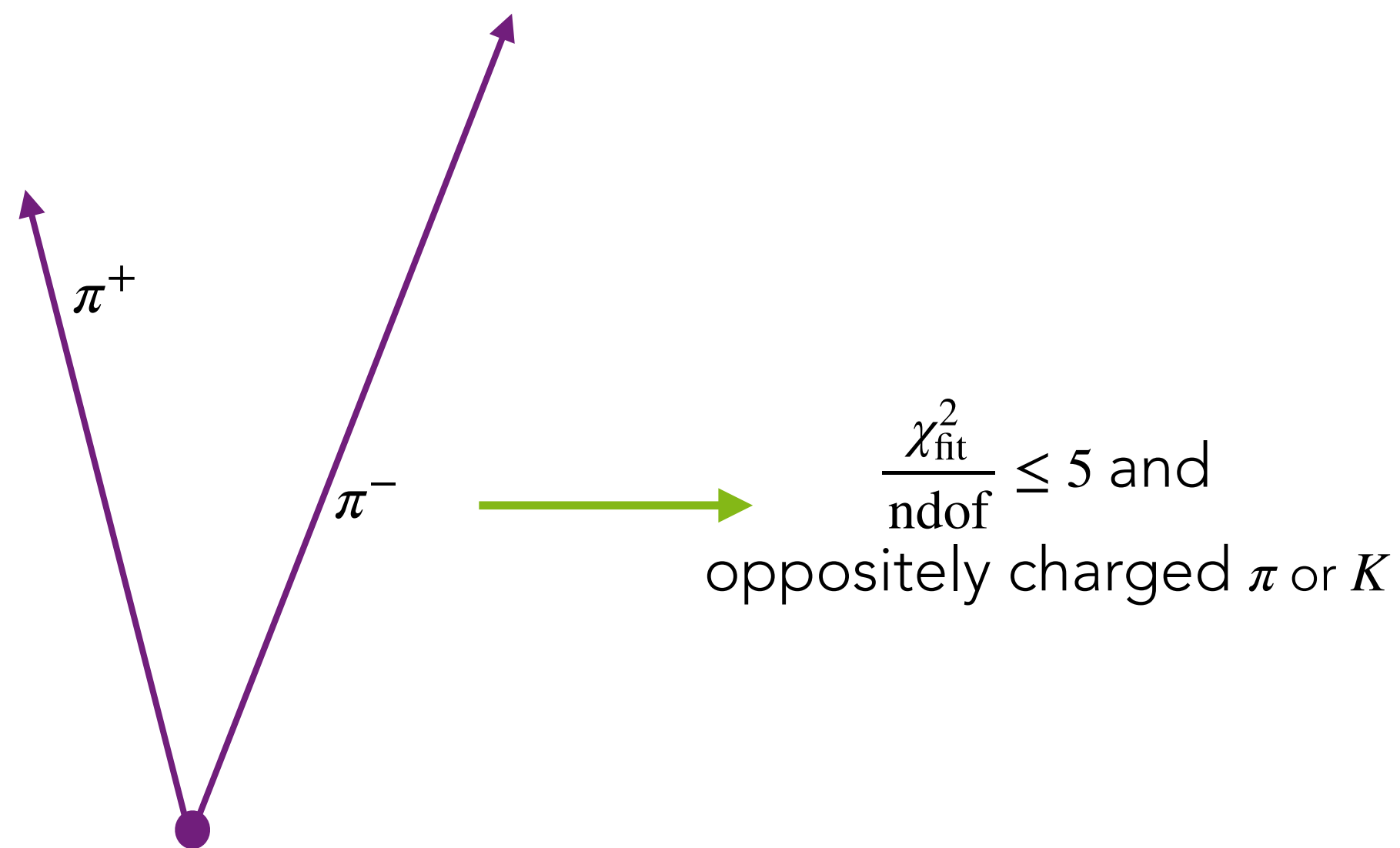


$$: \frac{s_x^2}{s^2} + \frac{s_y^2}{s^2} \leq 1$$

$$\rightarrow s_x = \frac{d_{0x}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{d_{0x}}^2 + \sigma_x^2}}, s_y = \frac{d_{0y}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{d_{0y}}^2 + \sigma_y^2}}$$

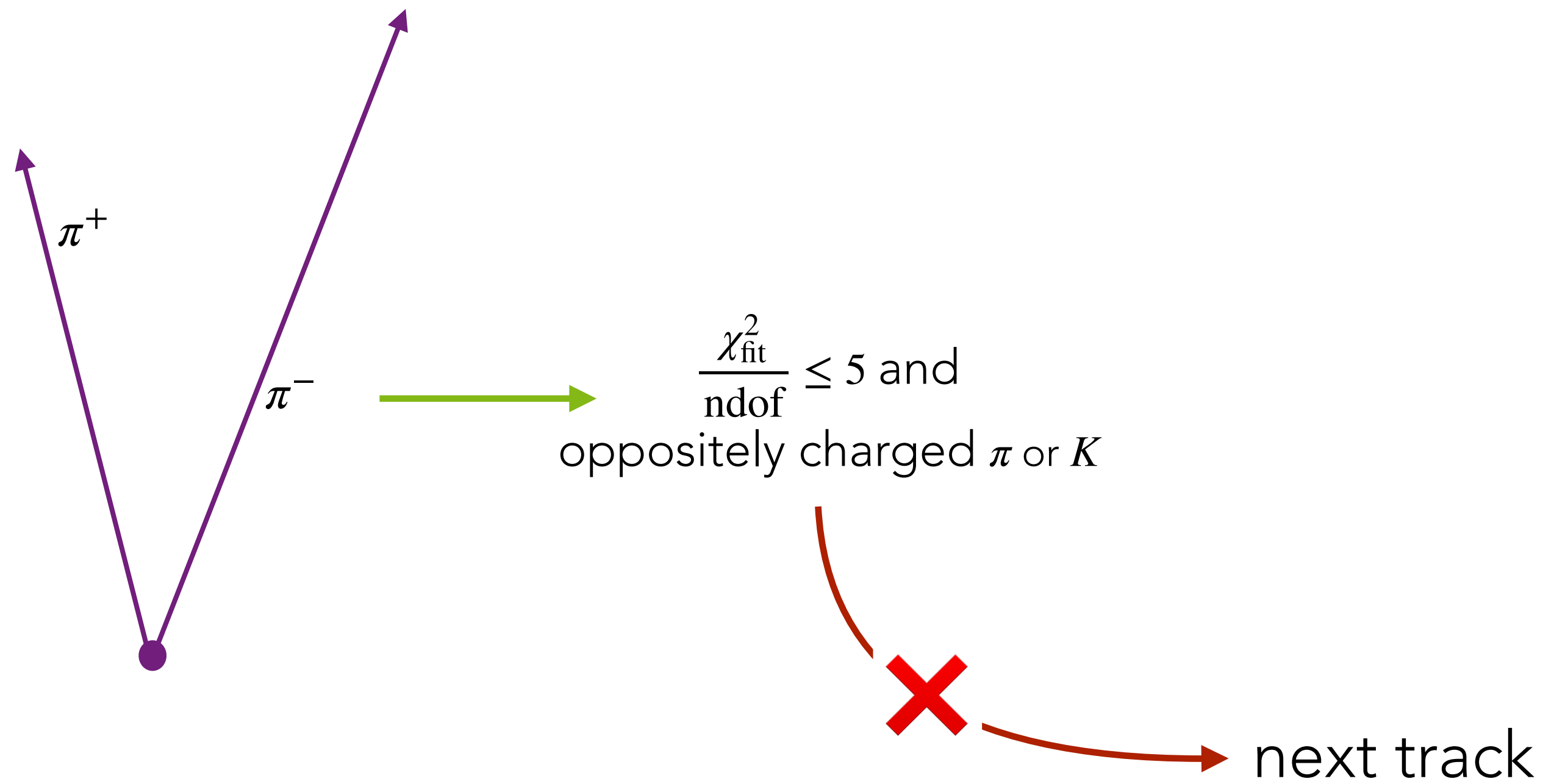


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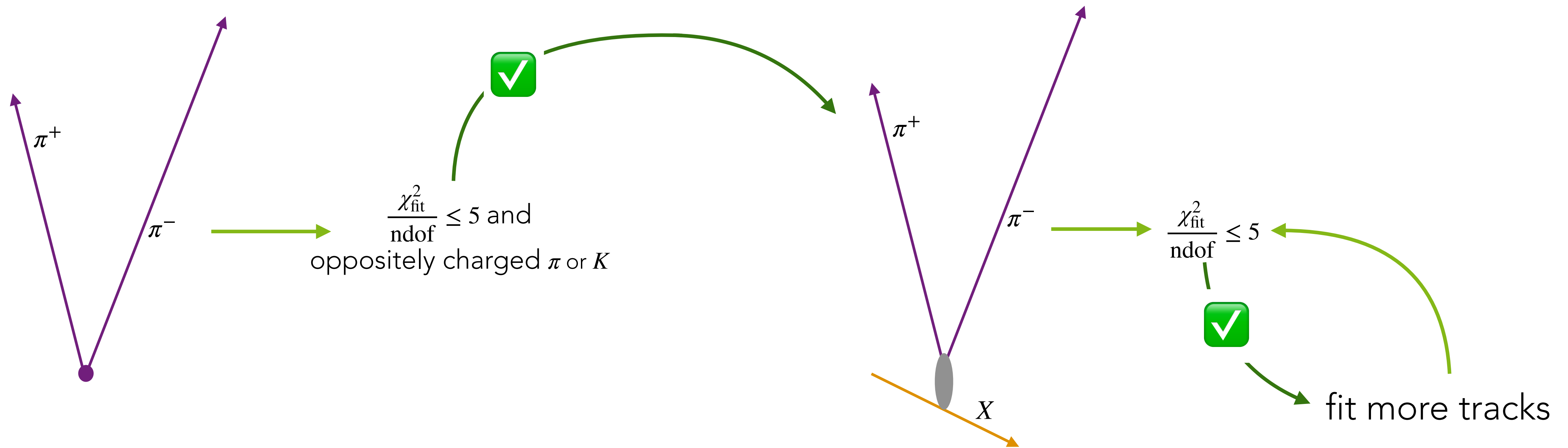
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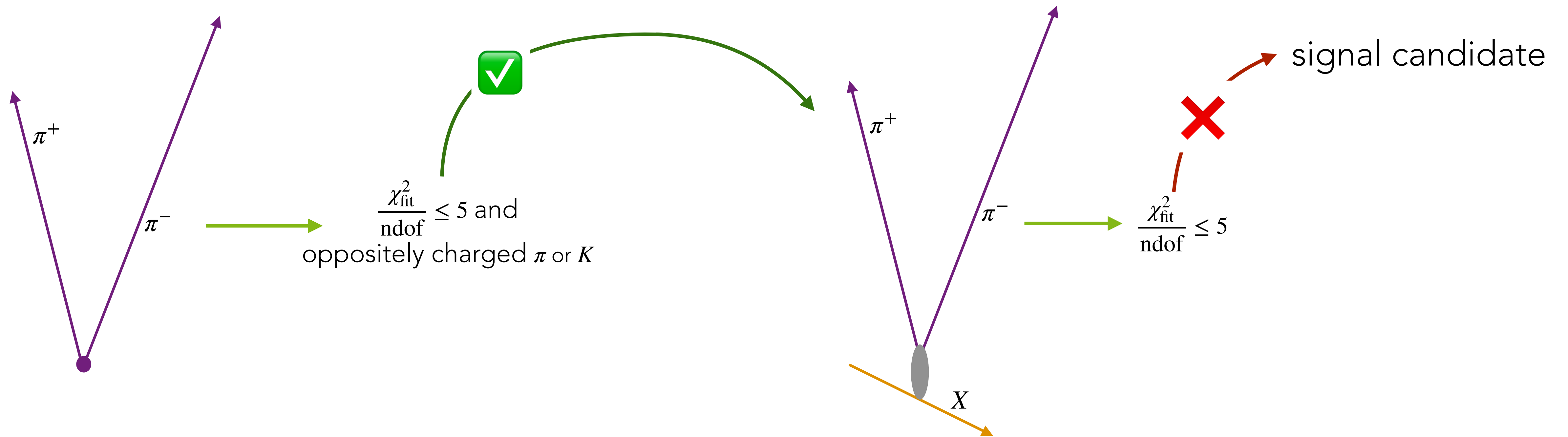
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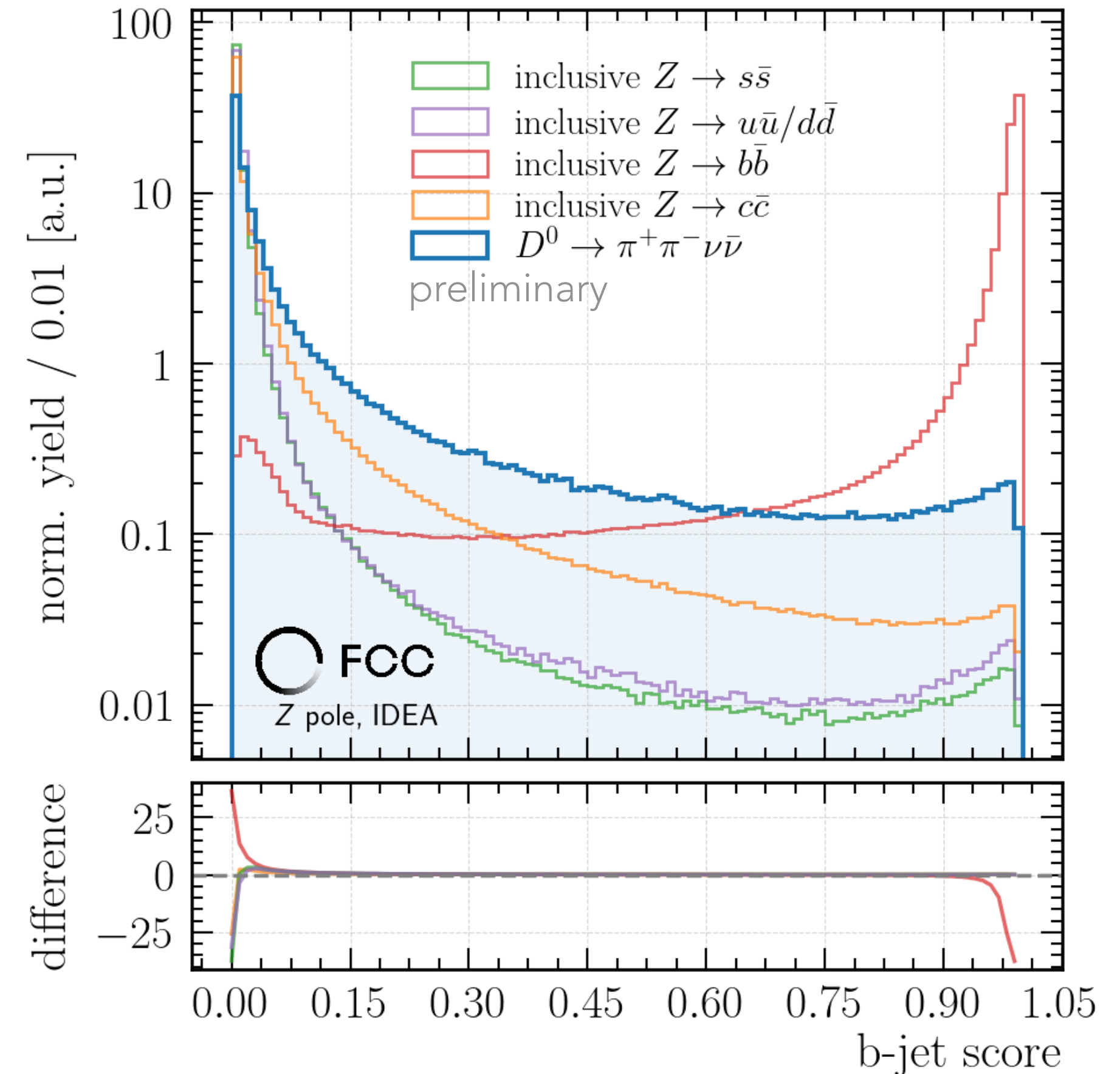
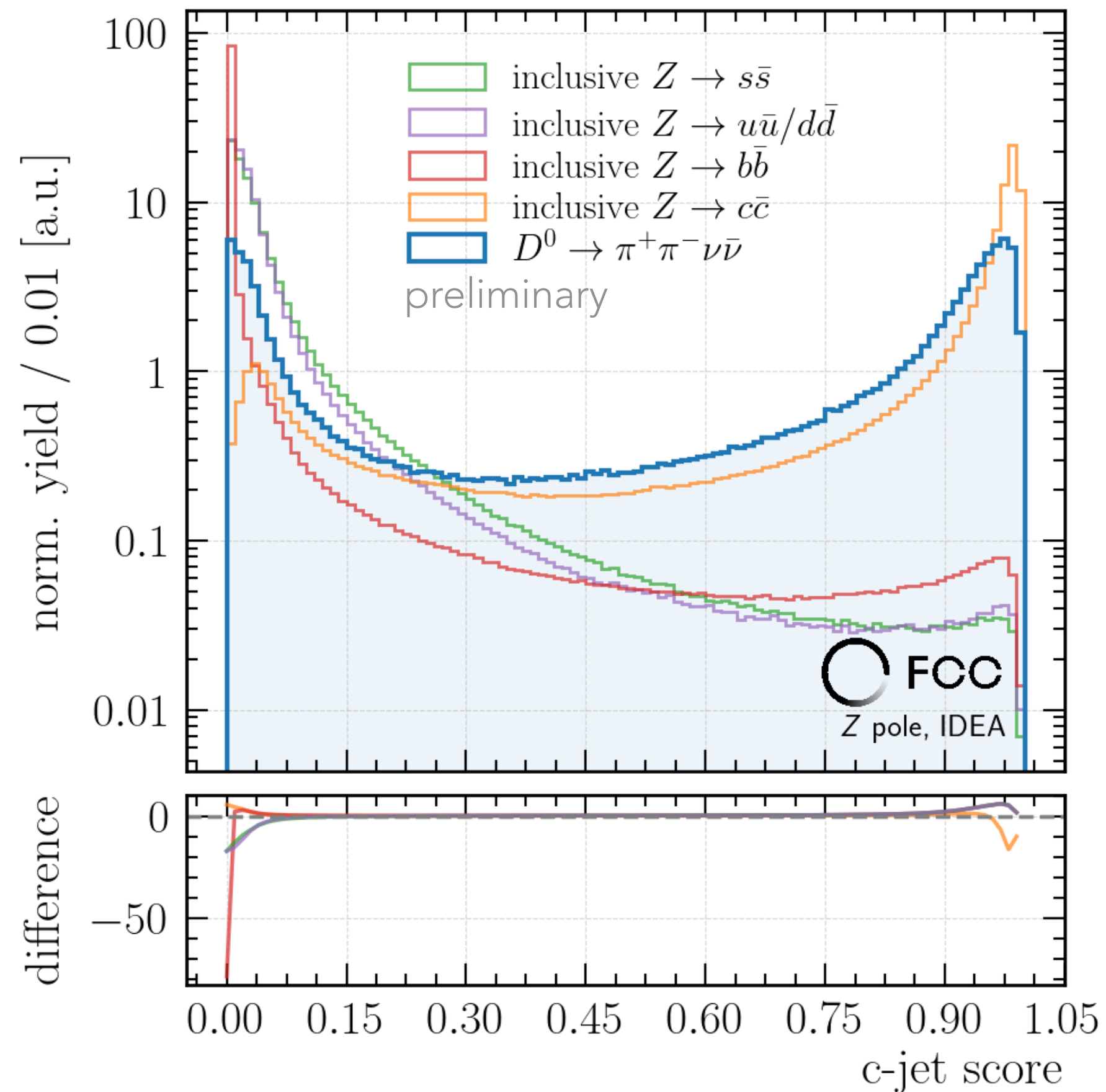
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# JET FLAVOR SCORE

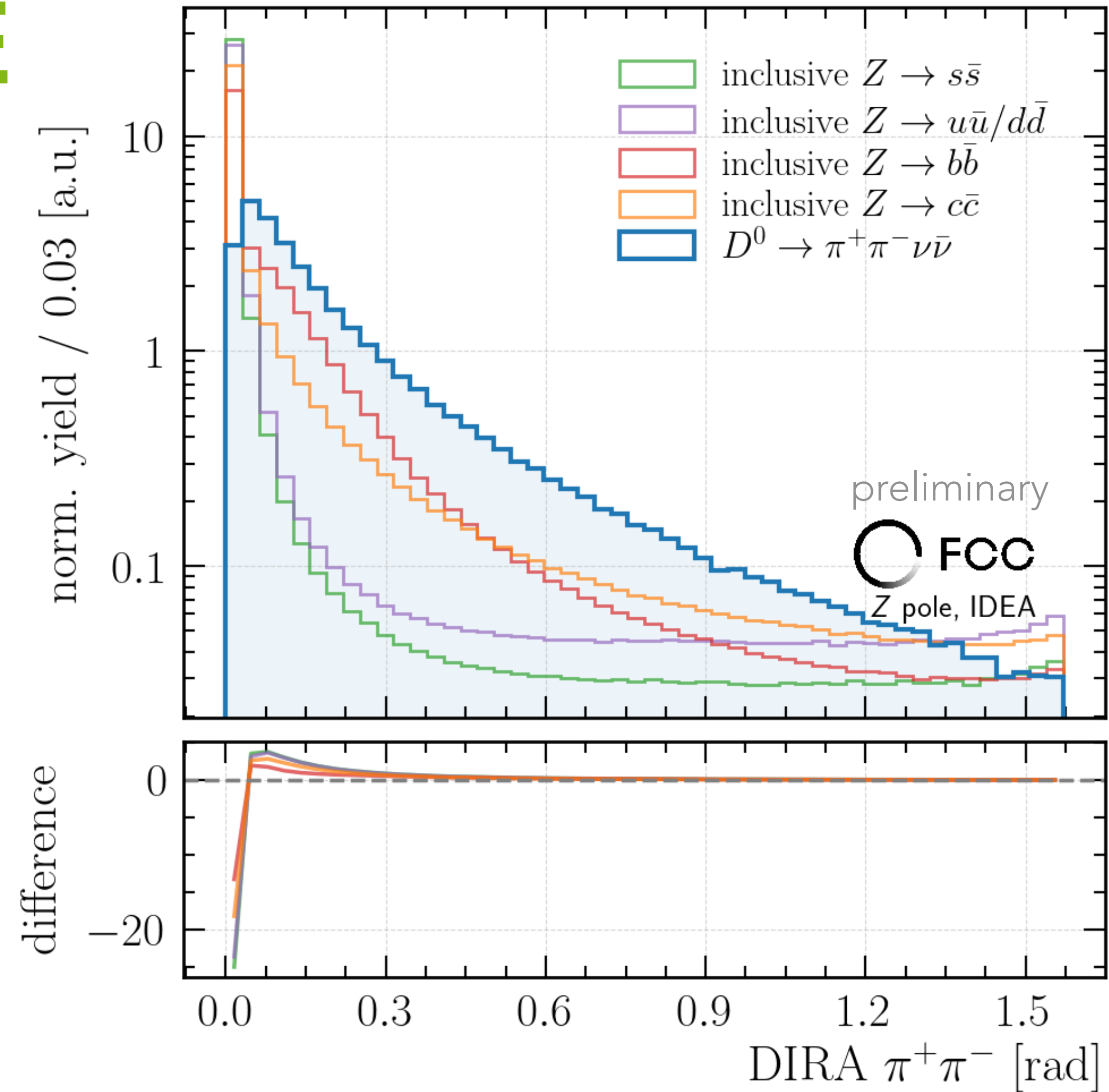
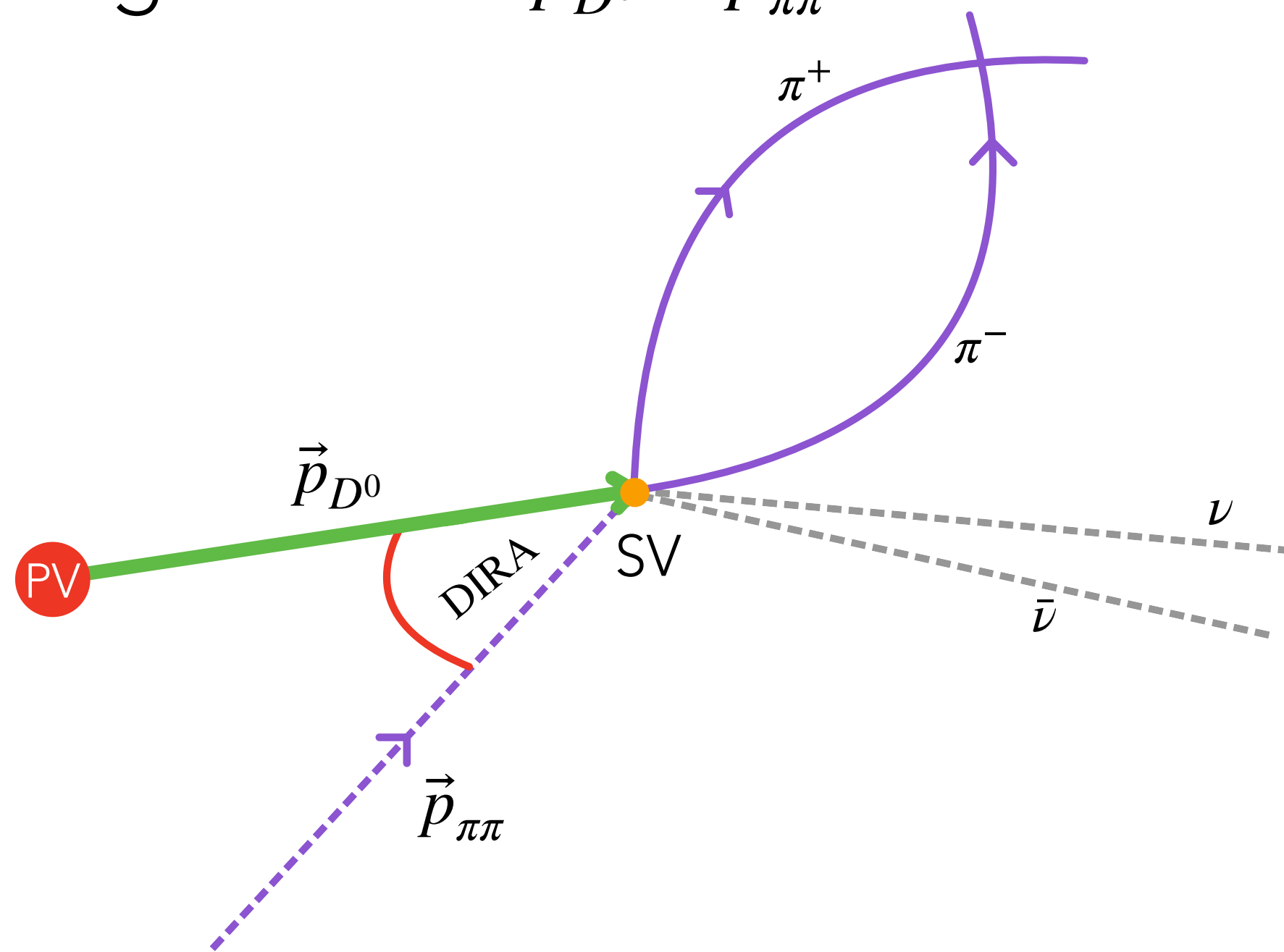
- FCC-ee jet flavor tagger response [\[2202.03285\]](#)





# DIRECTION ANGLE

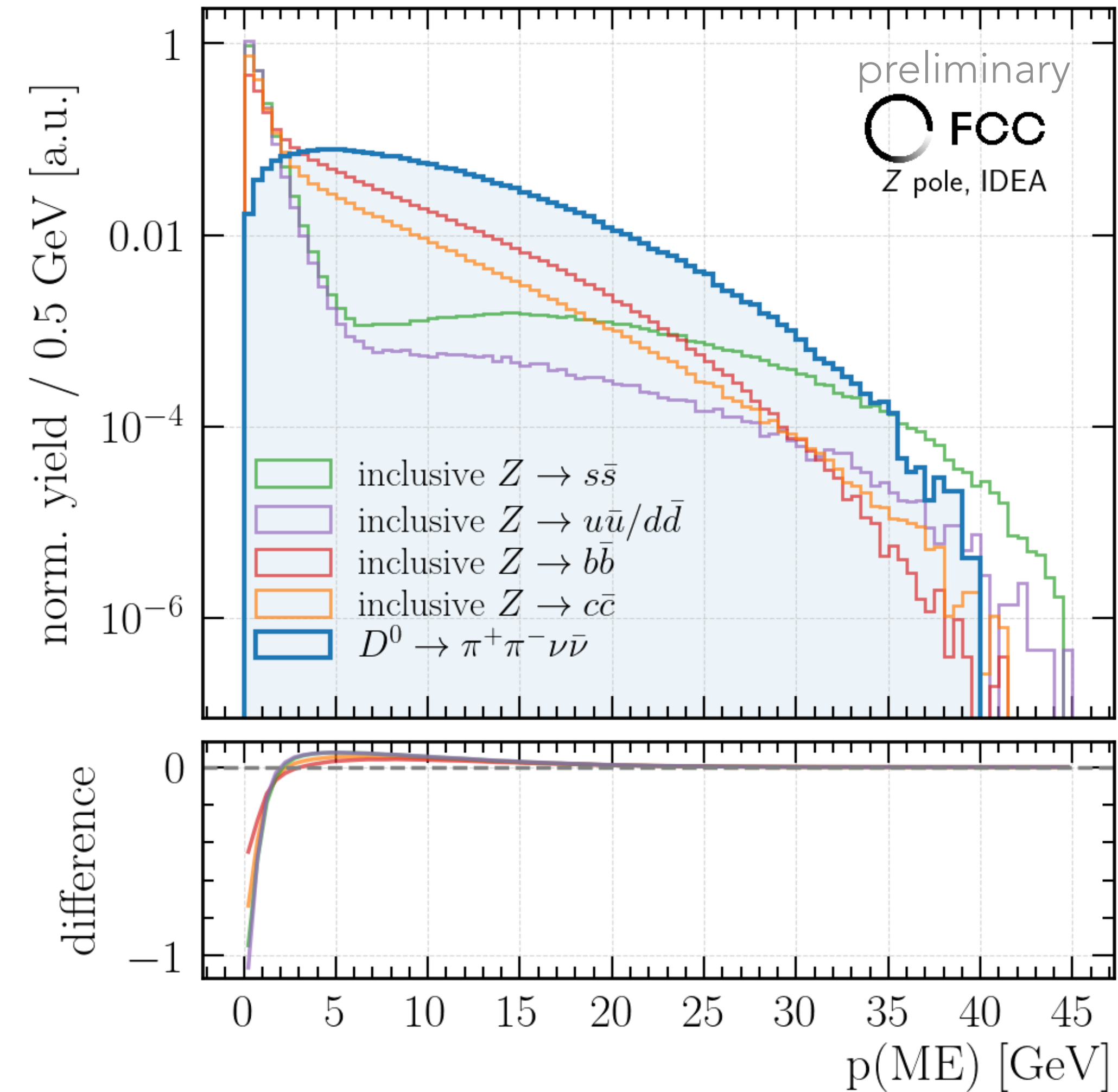
- Direction angle of reconstructed signal candidate
- Better alignment if  $\vec{p}_{D^0} \sim \vec{p}_{\pi\pi}$



# MISSING MOMENTUM

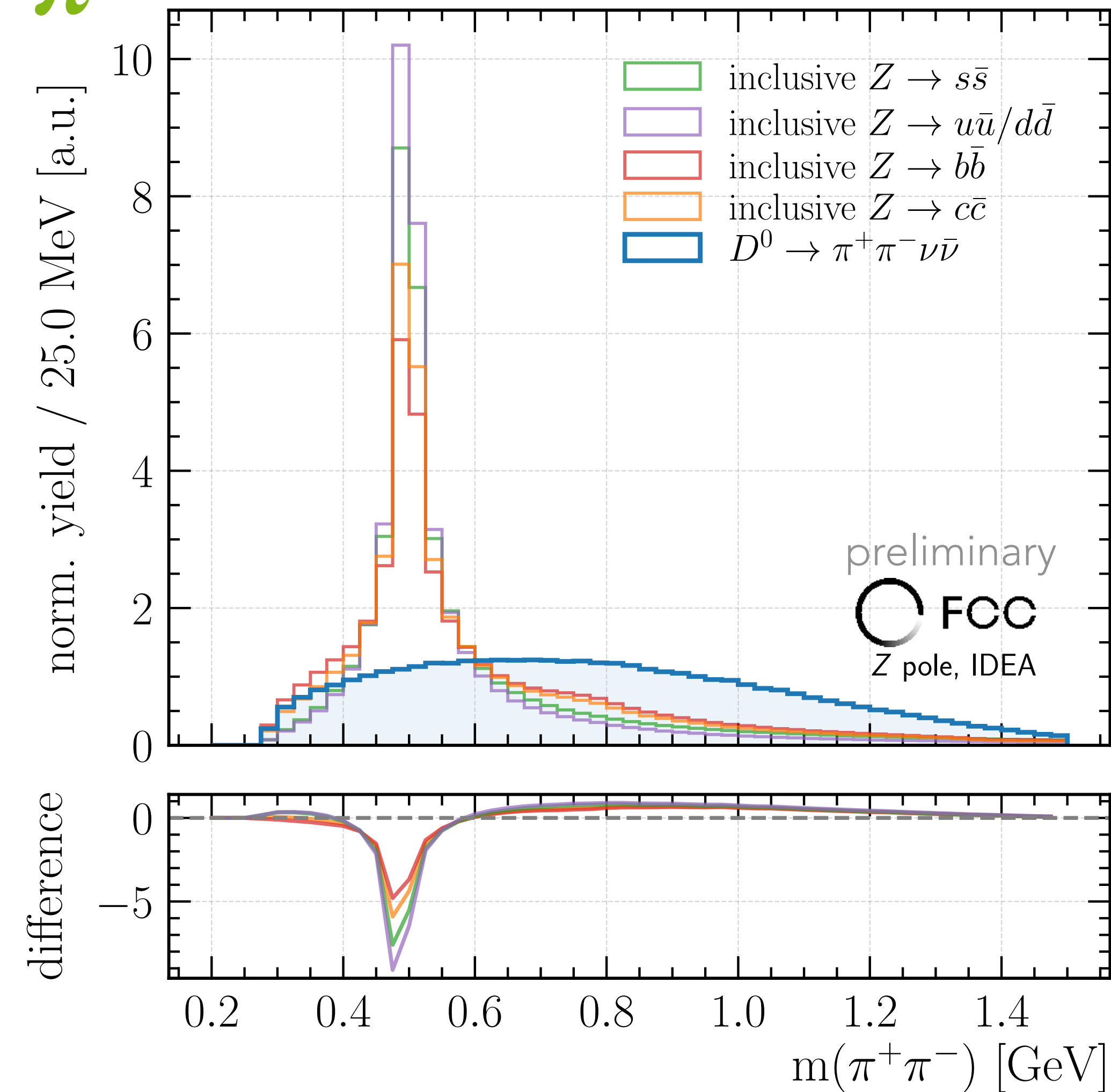
- Magnitude of missing momentum vector inferred from momentum conservation

- $\sqrt{s} = 91 \text{ GeV} = \vec{p}_{\text{detected}} + \vec{p}_{\text{missing}}$



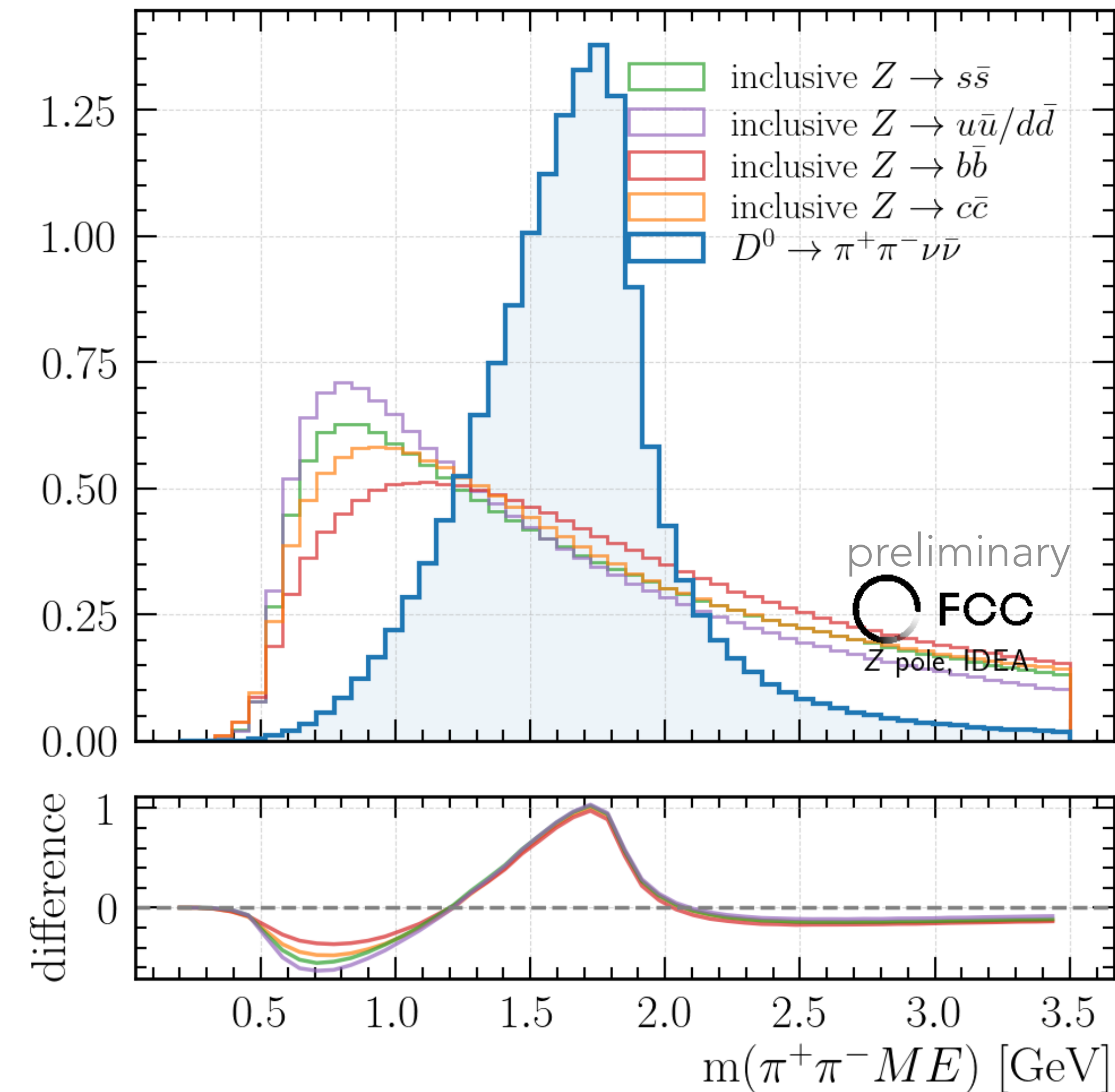
# INVARIANT MASS $\pi^+\pi^-$

- Background dominated by  $K_S$  resonances
- Signal simulation without resonances
- Planning on using a more sophisticated model

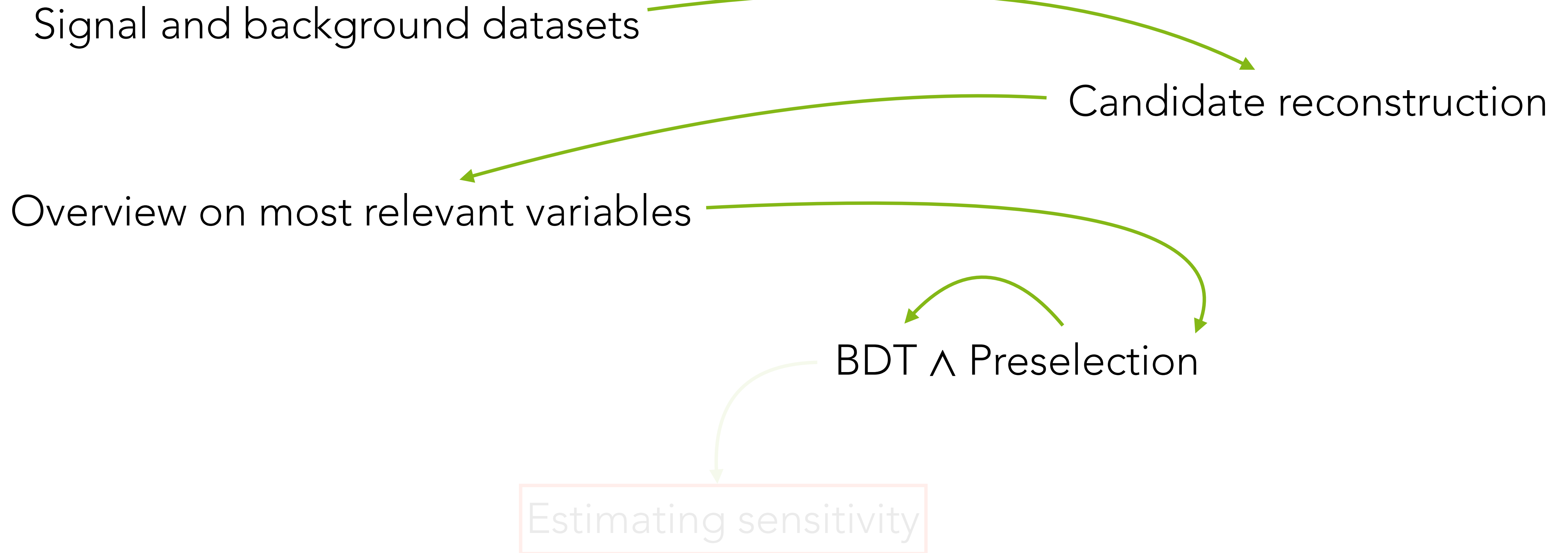


# INVARIANT MASS $\pi^+\pi^- + ME$

- Rec. inv. mass of  $\pi^+\pi^-$  together with the missing momentum
- Peaking structure around  $m_{D^0} = 1865 \text{ MeV}$  [\[PDG\]](#)
- Potentially extract candidates via fit
- Currently doing simple event counting



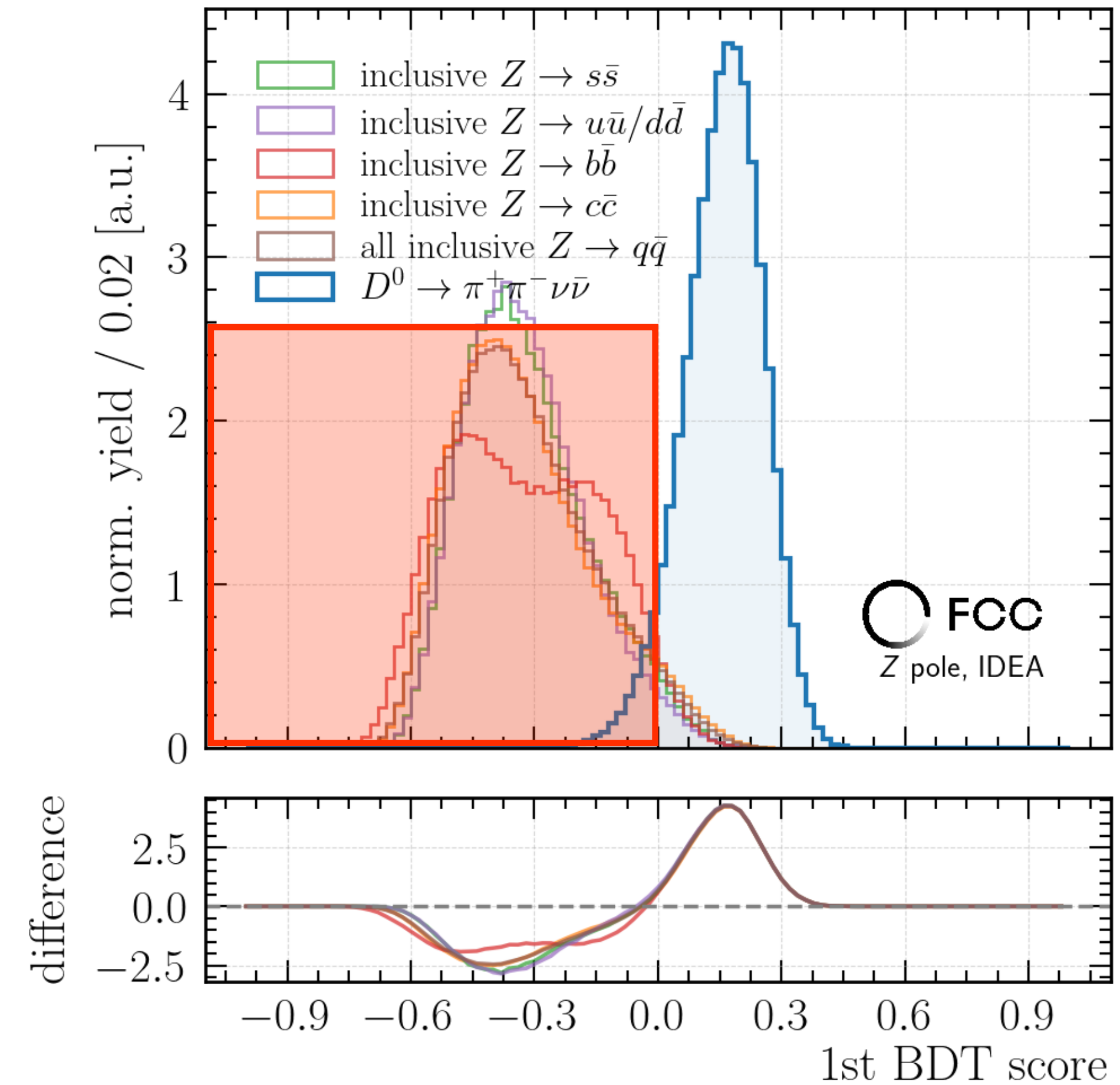
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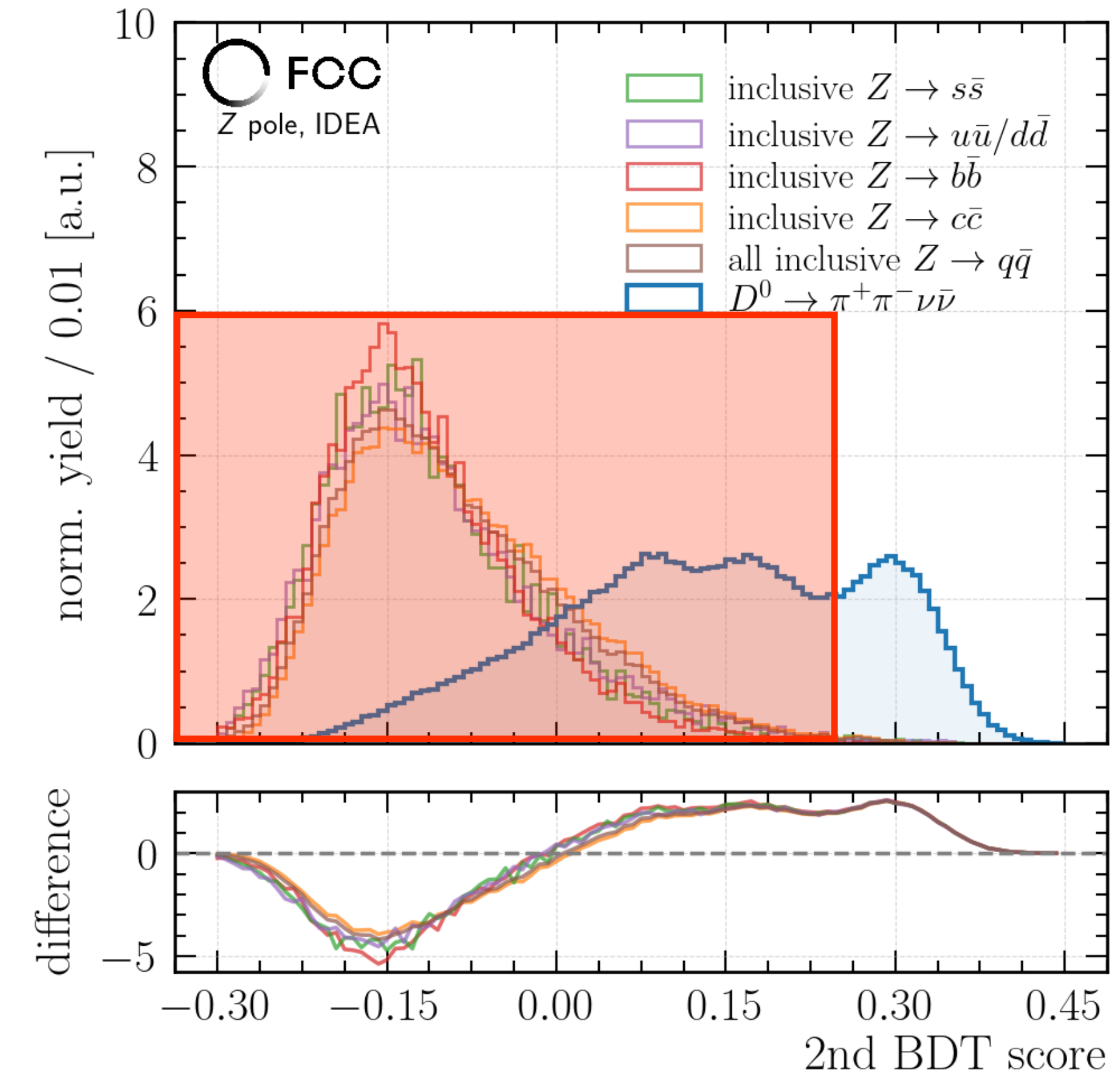
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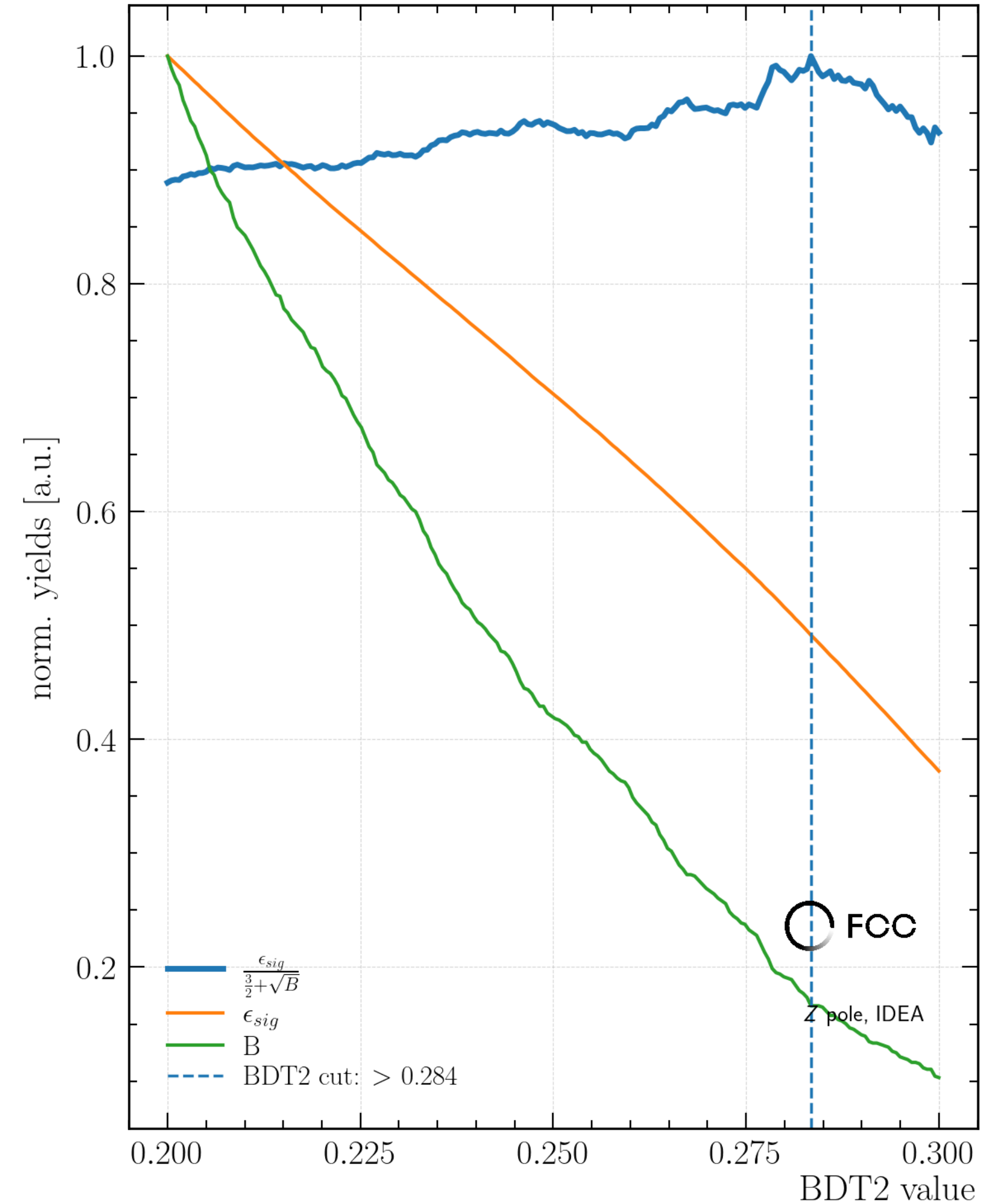
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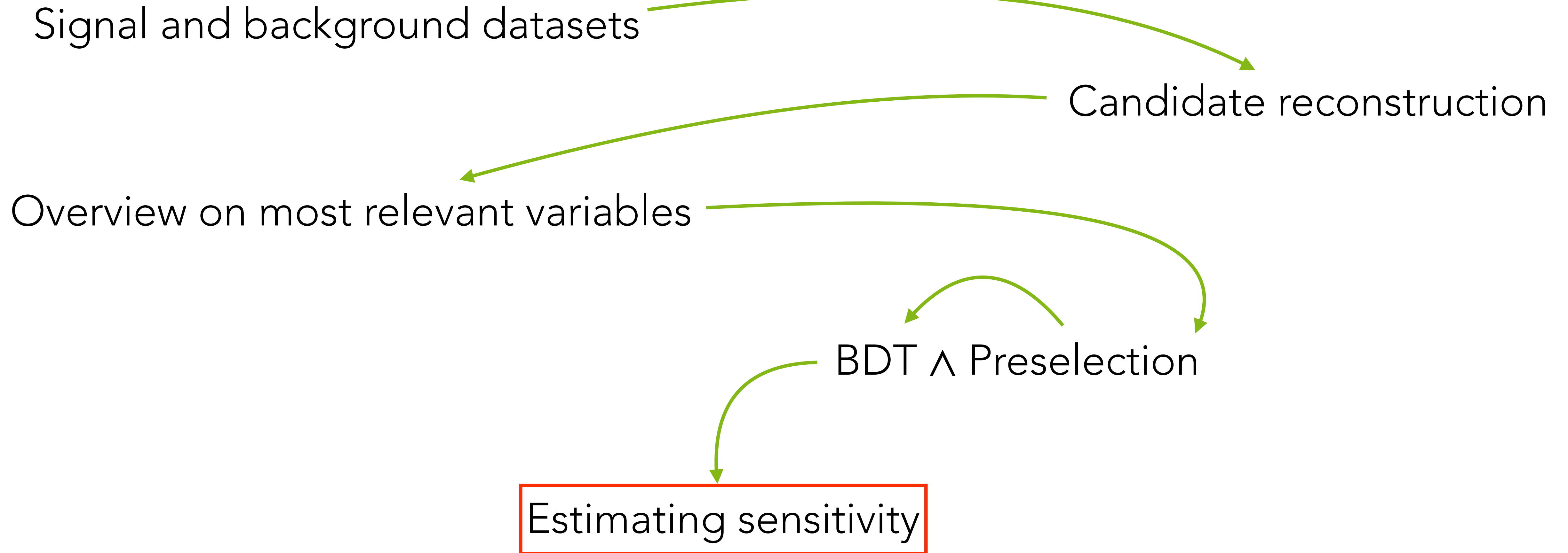
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- Optimise cut with Punzi FOM:  $\frac{\epsilon_{\text{sig}}}{\frac{3}{2} + \sqrt{B}}$   
 (Optimising for  $5\sigma$  results in same maximum)



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# ESTIMATE SENSITIVITY

- Use efficiencies to compute expected number of background/signal

- $\epsilon_{\text{total}} = \epsilon_{\text{reco}} \epsilon_{\text{pre}} \epsilon_{\text{BDT1}} \epsilon_{\text{BDT2}} \epsilon_{\text{misID}}$

- $S = 2 \times N_Z \times \mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow c\bar{c}) \times 0.59 \times \mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \nu \bar{\nu}) \times \epsilon_{\text{total},s}$

- $B = N_Z \left( \sum_{q=c,s,u,d} \mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}) \epsilon_{\text{total},q} + \mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}) \left( \mathcal{B}_{\text{excl}} \epsilon_{\text{total},\text{excl}} + (1 - \mathcal{B}_{\text{excl}}) \epsilon_{\text{total},b} \right) \right)$

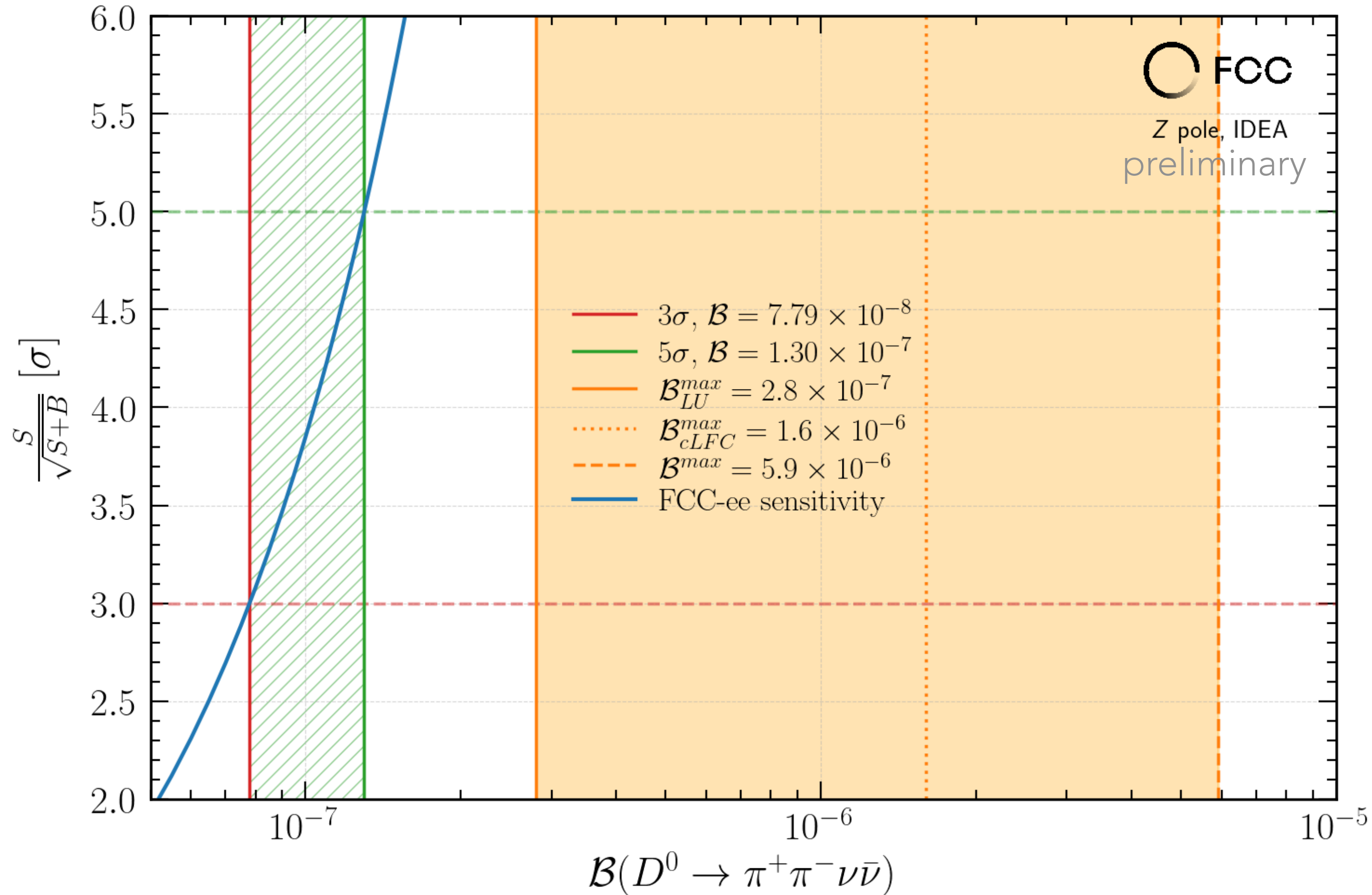
⇒ Estimate sensitivity with  $\frac{S}{\sqrt{S+B}}$  for multiple  $\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \nu \bar{\nu})$

# ESTIMATE SENSITIVITY

- $B_{\text{total}} \sim 2 \times 10^6$
- $S_{3\sigma(5\sigma)} = 4435 (7397)$



	reco [%]	pres. [%]	BDTs	misID [%]	total
cc	79.9	2.5	$10^{-4}$	0.96	$2 \times 10^{-6}$
bb	100.6	0.3	$3 \times 10^{-5}$	0.80	$7 \times 10^{-8}$
ss	62.6	0.3	$10^{-4}$	0.92	$2 \times 10^{-7}$
ud	44.4	0.3	$8 \times 10^{-5}$	0.99	$10^{-7}$
excl	99.2	2.9	$10^{-4}$	$10^{-6}$	$5 \times 10^{-12}$
Signal	49.8	80.7	16.7 %	0.99	6.7 %





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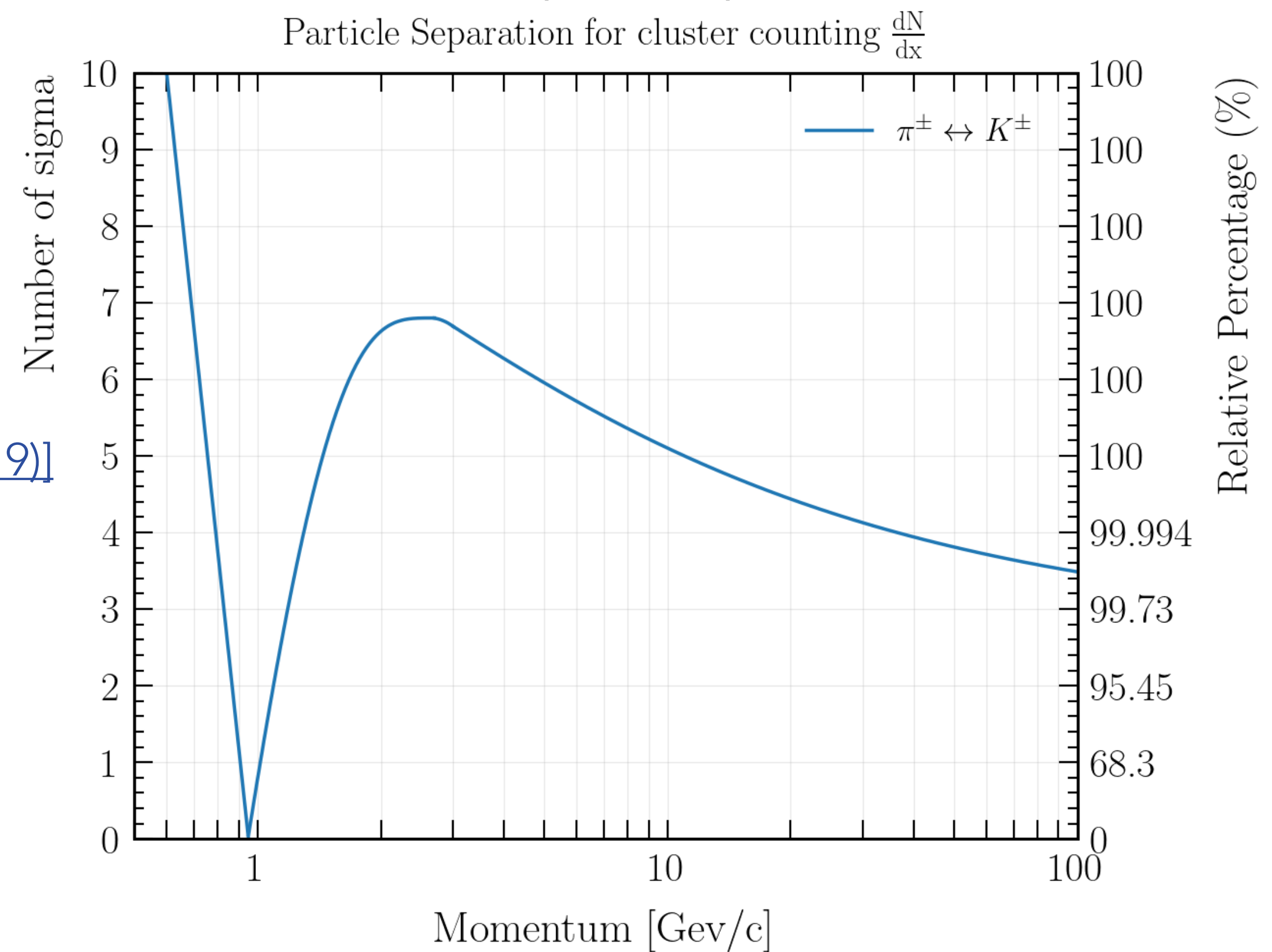
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# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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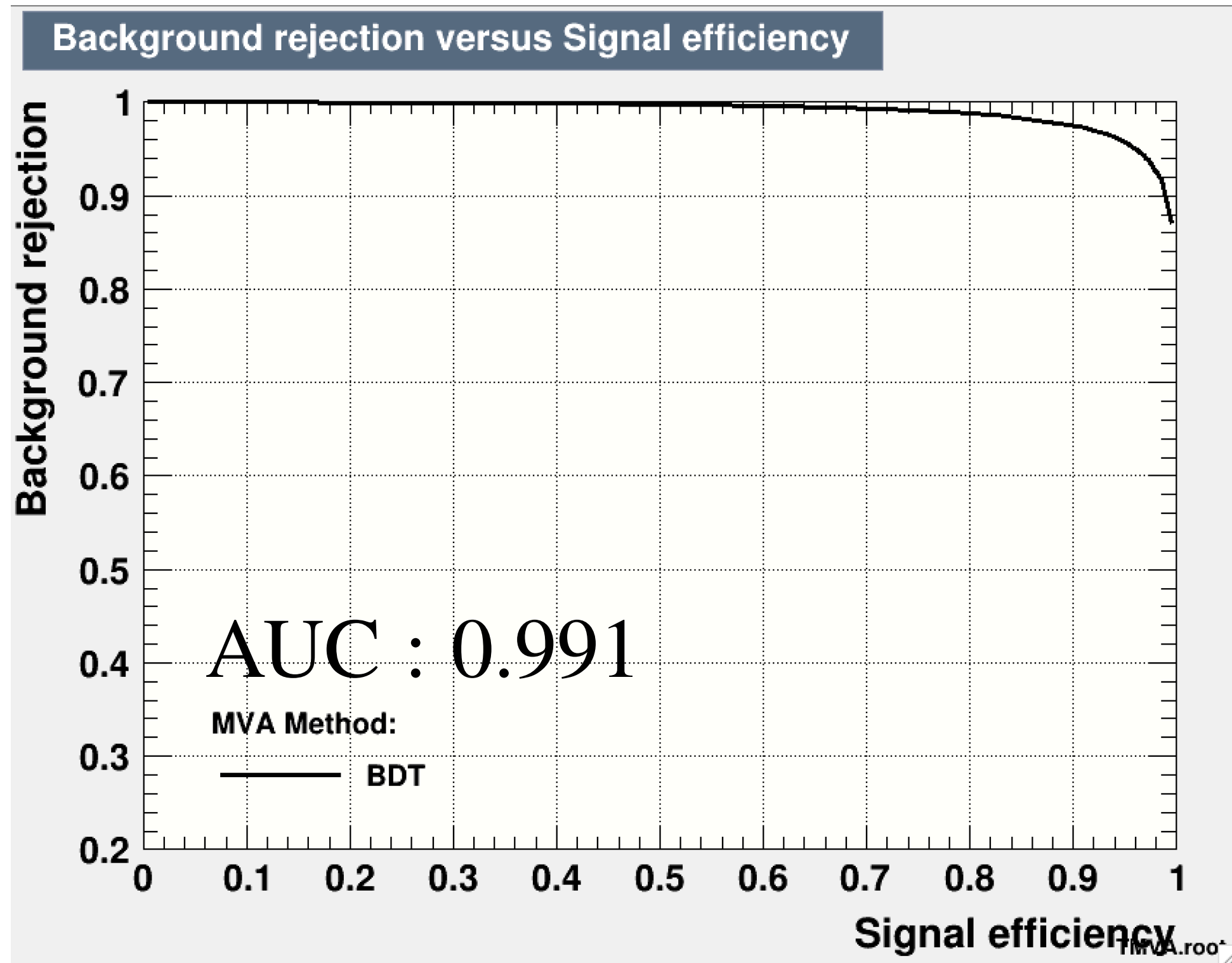
# PID ASSUMPTIONS

- Select all 2 particle vertices including either  $K$  or  $\pi \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-, K^\pm\pi^\mp, K^+K^-$
- Assign misID chance to each track for  $p$ 
  - Distribution inspired by conceptual design report vol. 2 [[Eur. Phys. J. Spec. Top., 228 \(2019\)](#)]
- Calculate efficiency for misID as  $\pi^+\pi^-$



# BDT 1

- AdaBoost with 31 input variables

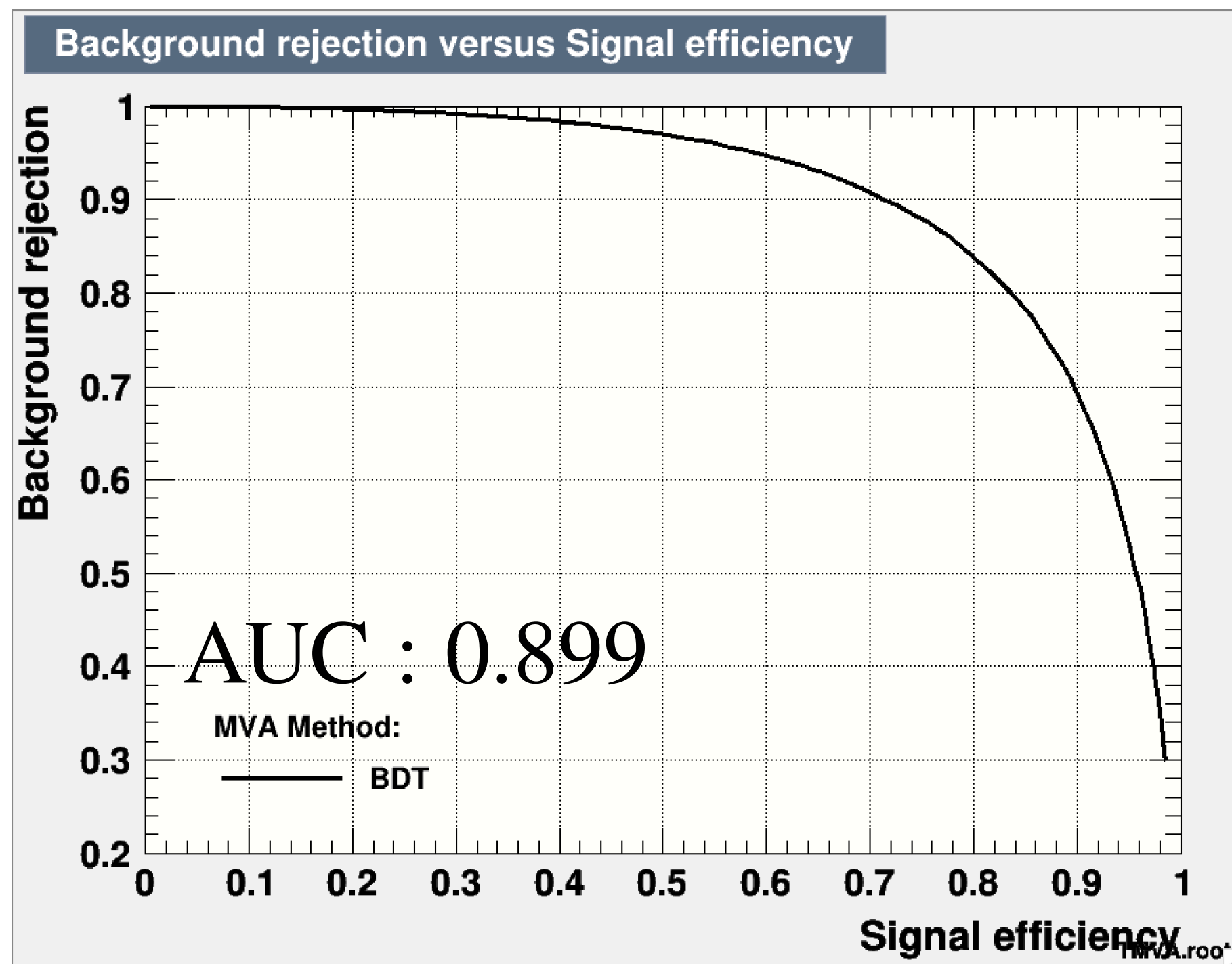


Rank	Variable	Separation power [%]	Variable importance [%]
1	E of particles in signal hemis.	53.10	5.558
2	Total rec. energy	52.01	5.810
3	Missing momentum	49.13	5.170
4	E asymmetry of hemis.	29.83	3.151
5	$m(\pi^+\pi^-ME)$	28.32	3.993
6	Number of tracks	22.87	3.797
7	Number of sec. vtx	22.50	3.012
8	Number of tracks around D0	20.83	2.641
9	$E(\pi^+\pi^-)$	20.46	4.440
10	$m(\pi^+\pi^-ME) - m(\pi^+\pi^-)$	19.43	2.140



# BDT 2

- AdaBoost with 32 input variables
- Additionally uses score of first BDT



Rank	Variable	Separation power [%]	Variable importance [%]
1	BDT1 score	36.10	10.87
2	Number of tracks	5.49	4.04
3	Number of Pi0	5.18	2.81
4	Number of particles	4.94	3.14
5	(b+s+u/d+g)-jet score	4.26	2.93
6	Number of tracks around D0	3.52	3.42
7	Total rec. energy	3.42	3.12
8	c-jet score	3.20	3.12
9	Missing momentum	3.16	3.23
10	$m(\pi^+\pi^-ME)$	3.02	2.30



# CHARGED LEPTON FLAVOR STRUCTURES

- $\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\nu_i \bar{\nu}_j} = -\frac{4G_F \alpha_e}{\sqrt{2} 4\pi} \left( \mathcal{C}_L^{Uij} Q_L^{ij} + \mathcal{C}_R^{Uij} Q_R^{ij} \right) + \text{H.c.}$

- $\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{l_i l_j} \supset -\frac{4G_F \alpha_e}{\sqrt{2} 4\pi} \left( \mathcal{K}_L^{Uij} Q_L^{ij} + \mathcal{K}_R^{Uij} Q_R^{ij} \right) + \text{H.c.}$

$$\mathcal{K}_{L,R}^U(\text{LU}) \begin{pmatrix} k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{K}_{L,R}^U(\text{cLFC}) \begin{pmatrix} k_e & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k_\mu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_\tau \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{K}_{L,R}^U(\text{general}) \begin{pmatrix} k_e & k_{e\mu} & k_{e\tau} \\ k_{\mu e} & k_\mu & k_{\mu\tau} \\ k_{\tau e} & k_{\tau\mu} & k_\tau \end{pmatrix}$$

- Relation between  $\mathcal{C}_{L,R}^{ij}$  and  $\mathcal{K}_{L,R}^{ij}$  given in [\[2007.05001\]](#)

# FULL LIST OF BDT INPUT VARIABLES

1.  $E(\pi^+\pi^-)$
2.  $m(\pi^+\pi^-)$
3.  $m(\pi^+\pi^-ME)$
4.  $DOCA(\pi^+\pi^-)$
5. E asymmetry of hemis.
6. E of tracks
7. E of tracks in signal hemis.
8. E of particles in signal hemis.
9.  $FD(\pi^+\pi^-)$
10. Missing momentum
11. Number of tracks
12. Number of particles
13. Number tracks around  $D^0$
14.  $m(LR)$
15. Total rec. energy
16. min. d(2 particle SV, LR)
17.  $m(\pi^+\pi^-ME) - m(\pi^+\pi^-)$
18.  $DIRA(\pi^+\pi^-) - DIRA(\pi^+\pi^-ME)$
19.  $IP(\pi^+\pi^-) - IP(\pi^+\pi^-ME)$
20. b-jet score
21. c-jet score
22. g-jet score
23. (b+s+u/d+g)-jet score
24. u/d-jet score
25. s-jet score
26.  $\log(1 - \cos(DIRA))$
27.  $\log(1 - \cos(\angle(\pi^+, \pi^-)))$
28.  $\log(1 - \cos(\angle(\text{thrust})))$
29. Number 3 particle sec. vtx
30. Number of sec. vtx
31. Number of  $\pi^0$
32. (BDT1 score)

# SEC TRACKS IN LR

	Sec. Tracks NOT in LR [%]	Sec. Tracks in LR [%]	LR Tracks NOT in LR [%]	LR Tracks in LR [%]
cc	$73.9 \pm 22.1$	$26.0 \pm 22.1$	$12.2 \pm 10.8$	$87.7 \pm 10.9$
bb	$86.9 \pm 14.2$	$13.1 \pm 14.2$	$11.8 \pm 12.6$	$86.8 \pm 12.6$
ss	$62.4 \pm 31.7$	$16.6 \pm 28.4$	$13.2 \pm 10.9$	$86.8 \pm 12.6$
ud	$51.9 \pm 35.2$	$20.0 \pm 31.4$	$13.3 \pm 10.8$	$86.7 \pm 10.9$
Signal	$72.9 \pm 30.0$	$26.9 \pm 30.0$	$13.0 \pm 11.3$	$86.6 \pm 11.3$

# BACKGROUND CONTRIBUTIONS

	Contribution [%]	Efficiency
cc	65.68	$2 \times 10^{-6}$
bb	13.23	$7 \times 10^{-8}$
ss	9.87	$2 \times 10^{-7}$
ud	11.21	$10^{-7}$

$c\bar{c}$  backgr. decay contributions:

Inclusive	Contribution [%]	Exclusive	Contribution [%]
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-X$	<b>29.94</b>	$K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$	<b>29.47</b>
$K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-X$	29.47	$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^+\pi^-2\pi^0$	<b>9.88</b>
Combinatorial	23.45	$D^0 \rightarrow K_L^0\pi^+\pi^-$	6.77
$\omega \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-X$	6.12	$\omega \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	6.01
$\rho \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-X$	5.43	$\rho \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$	5.43

# PRESELECTION

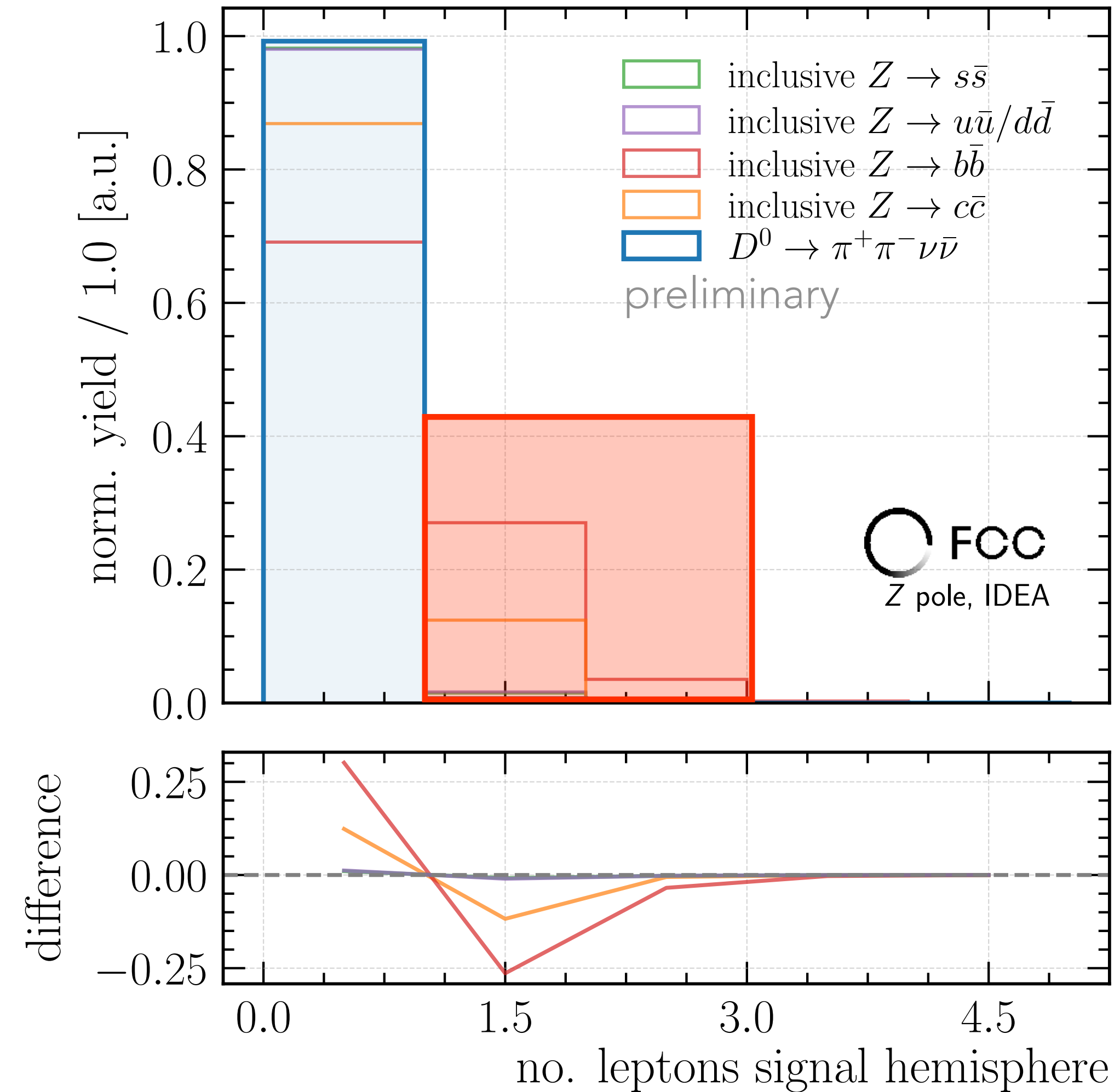
- Remove obvious background with cuts

Variable	Cut	Eff. Signal [%]	Eff. Background [%]
$\text{IP}(\pi^+\pi^-) - \text{IP}(\pi^+\pi^- \text{ME})$	$> 0.5 \text{ mm}$	99.48	23.96
$\max(\text{IP}(\pi^\pm))$	$< 2 \text{ mm}$	99.75	25.54
$\text{FD}(\pi^+\pi^-)$	$< 10 \text{ mm}$	99.38	27.35
$\min(\text{IP}(\pi^\pm))$	$< 1.5 \text{ mm}$	99.98	32.06
$p(\text{ME})$	$> 1.2 \text{ GeV}$	96.43	33.64
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<b><math>\Pi</math></b>		<b>80.7</b>	<b>0.8</b>



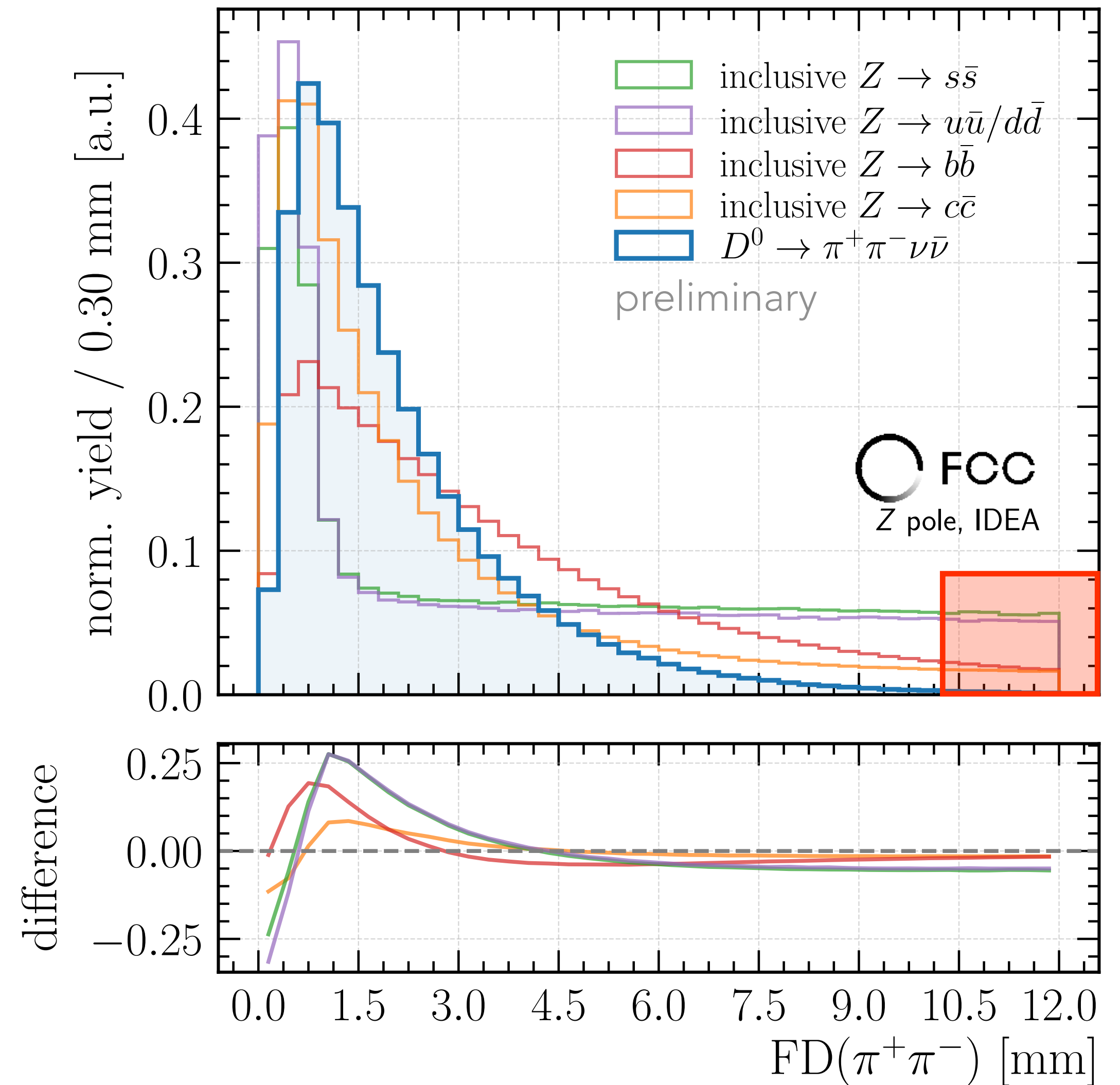
# NUMBER OF LEPTONS

- Number of leptons on the hemisphere with the signal candidate
- Potential source of missing energy from semileptonic decays
- Preselection: no. leptons = 0



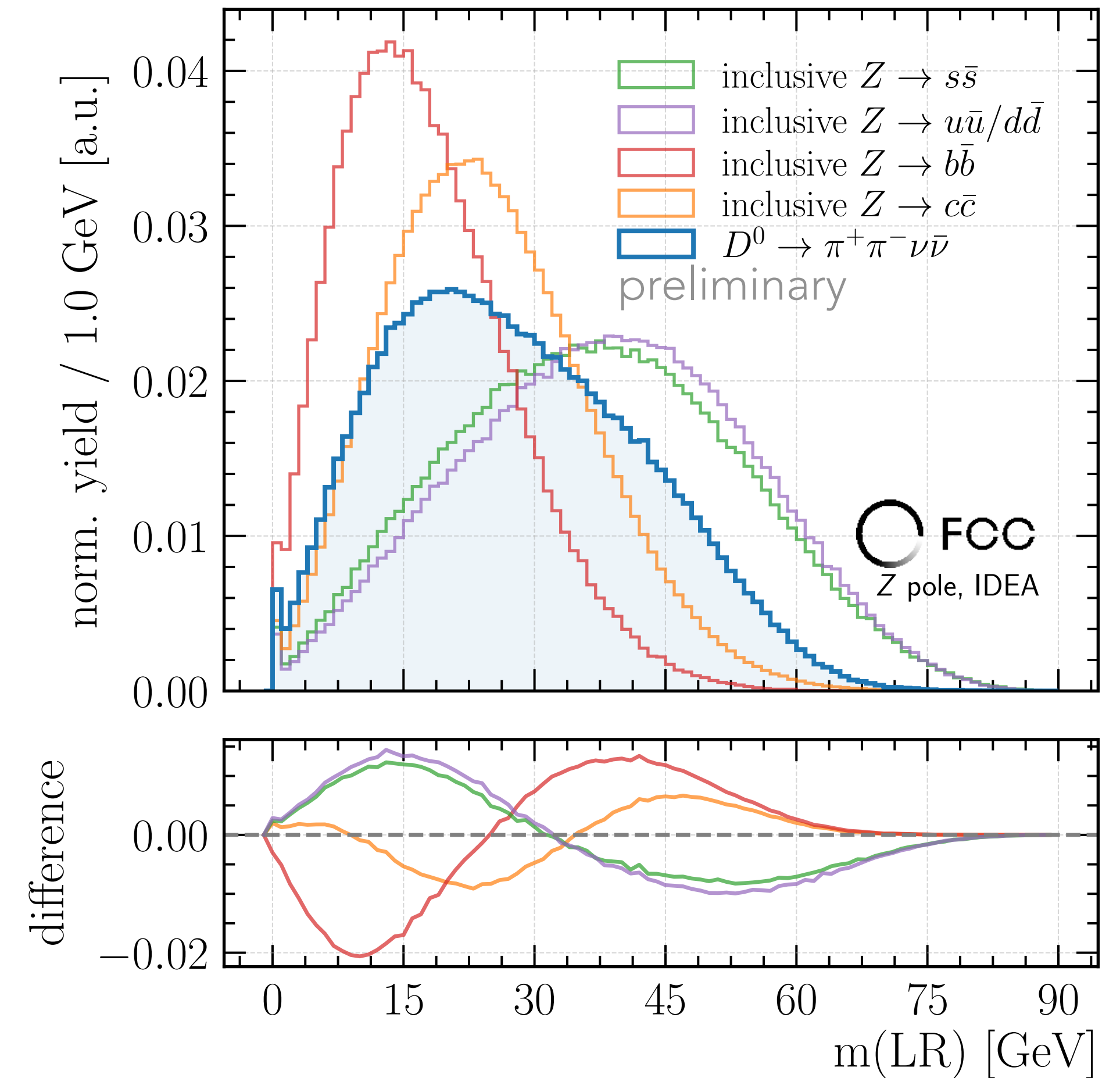
# FLIGHT DISTANCE

- Flight distance of signal candidate
- Discriminate between  $D$ -mesons and mesons with long lifetimes ( $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ )
- Preselection:  $FD < 10$  mm



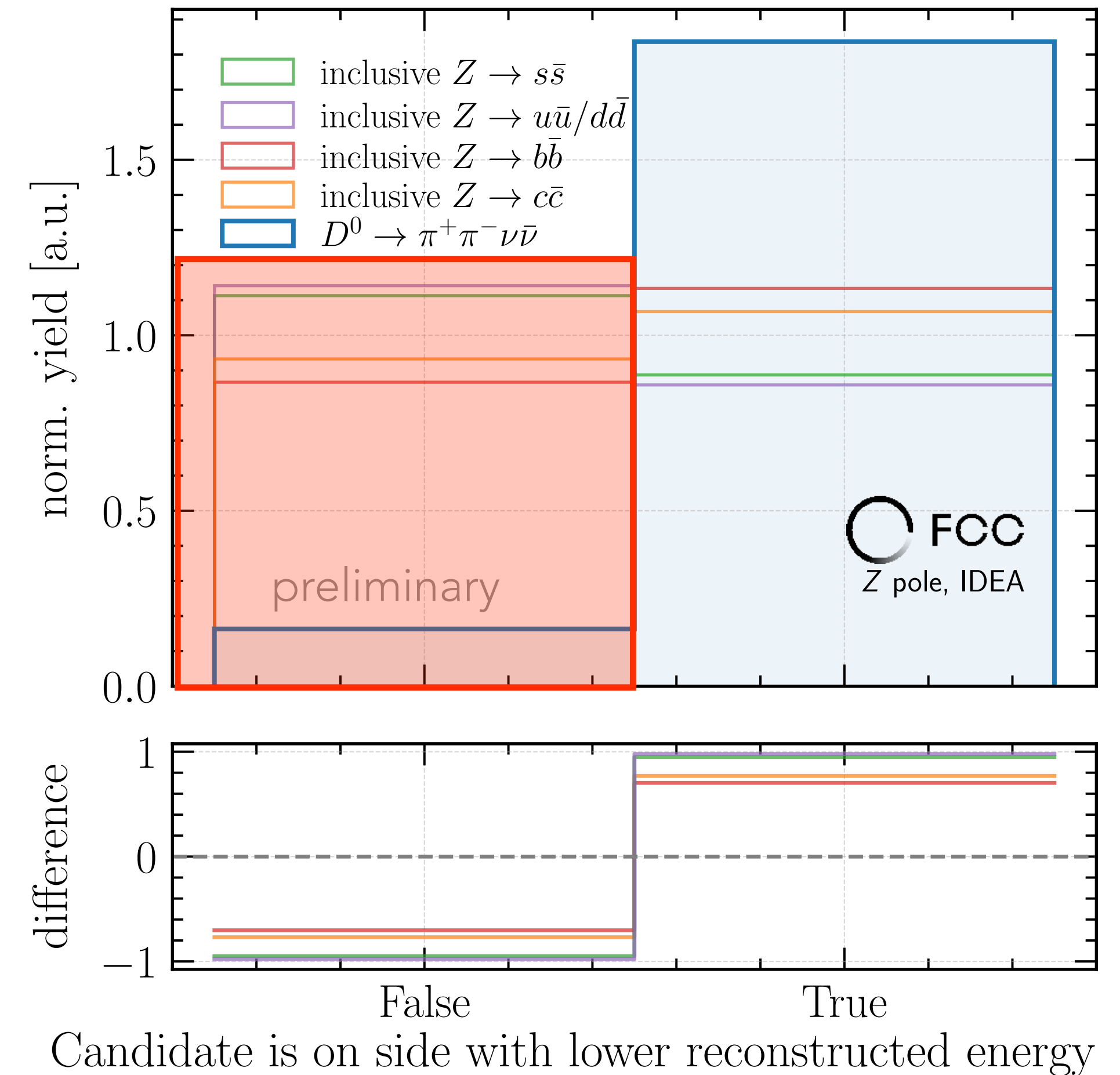
# MASS OF LUMINOUS REGION

- Invariant mass of all tracks assigned to LR




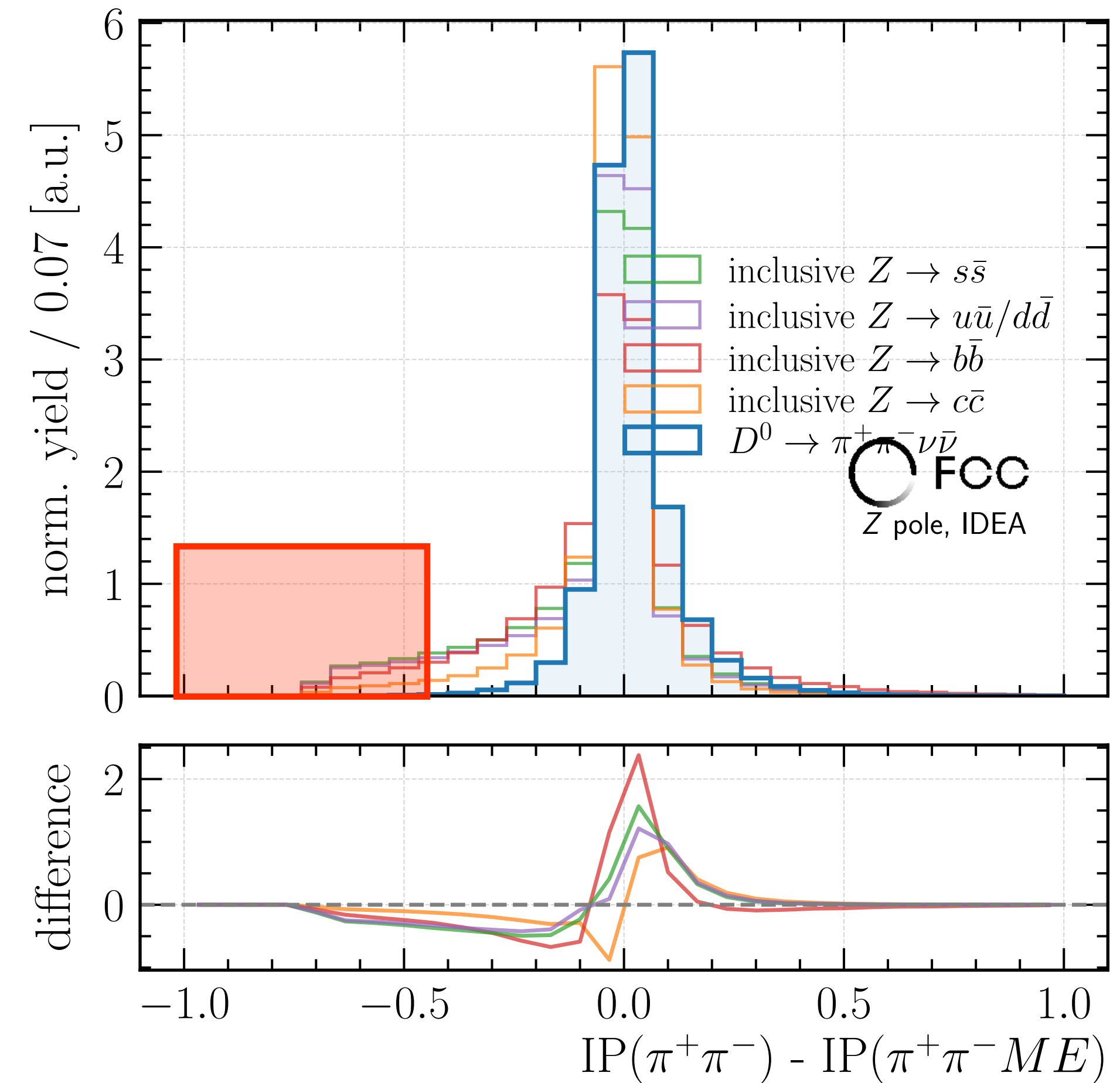
# ON SIDE WITH LOWER ENERGY

- Boolean, whether the signal candidate is on hemisphere with lower reconstructed energy
- Preselection: True



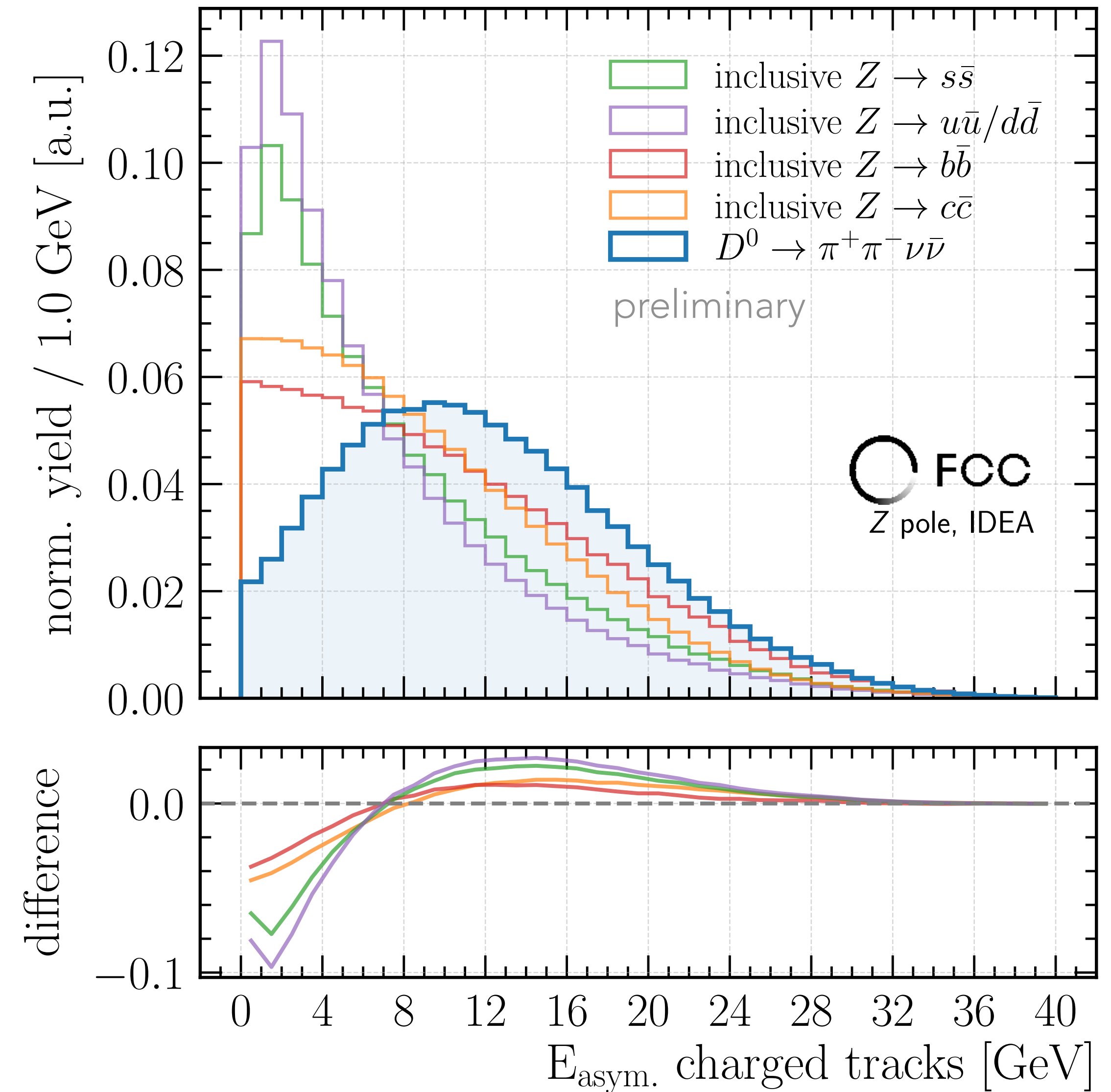
# IMPACT PARAMETER W ME

- Difference of the IP of signal candidates using only the two pions vs. using the pions together with the missing energy (ME)
- IP should on average slightly improve with additional ME for signal
- Worsen for the background 
- Preselection:  $\text{IP}(\pi^+\pi^-) - \text{IP}(\pi^+\pi^- \text{ME}) > -0.7$



# E ASYM. TRACKS

- Total asymmetry of the reconstructed energy of both hemispheres





# ANGLE BETWEEN HEMIS. THRUSTS

- Angle between the thrust axes of hemispheres
- Recalculate thrusts of either hemisphere with particles assigned to it

