

# Test of lepton flavour universality with $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \ell^+ \ell^-$ decays at LHCb

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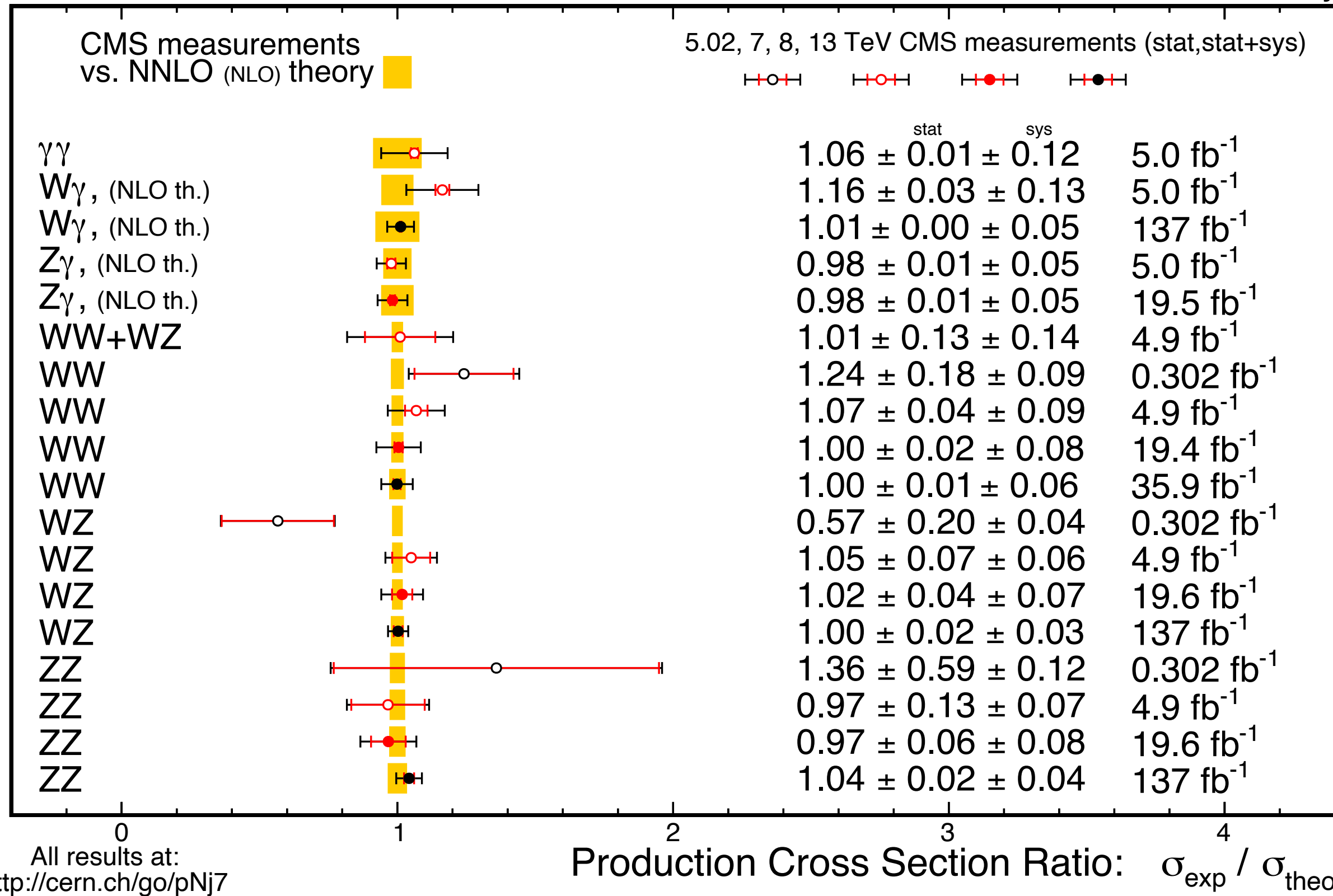
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- Standard Model (SM) is a **great success!**

## Excellent agreement with SM in direct searches

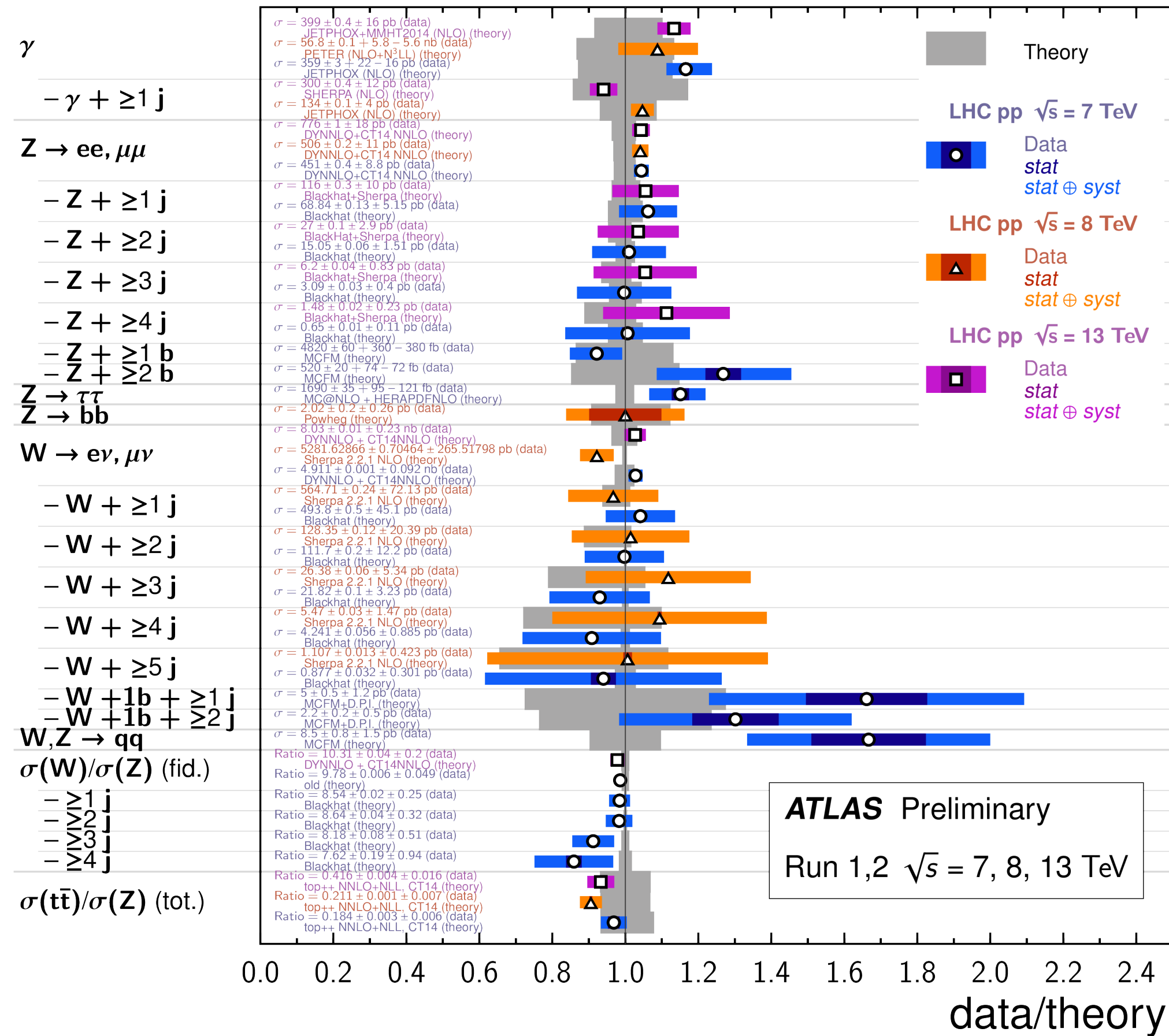
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### Vector Boson + X fid. Cross Section Measurements

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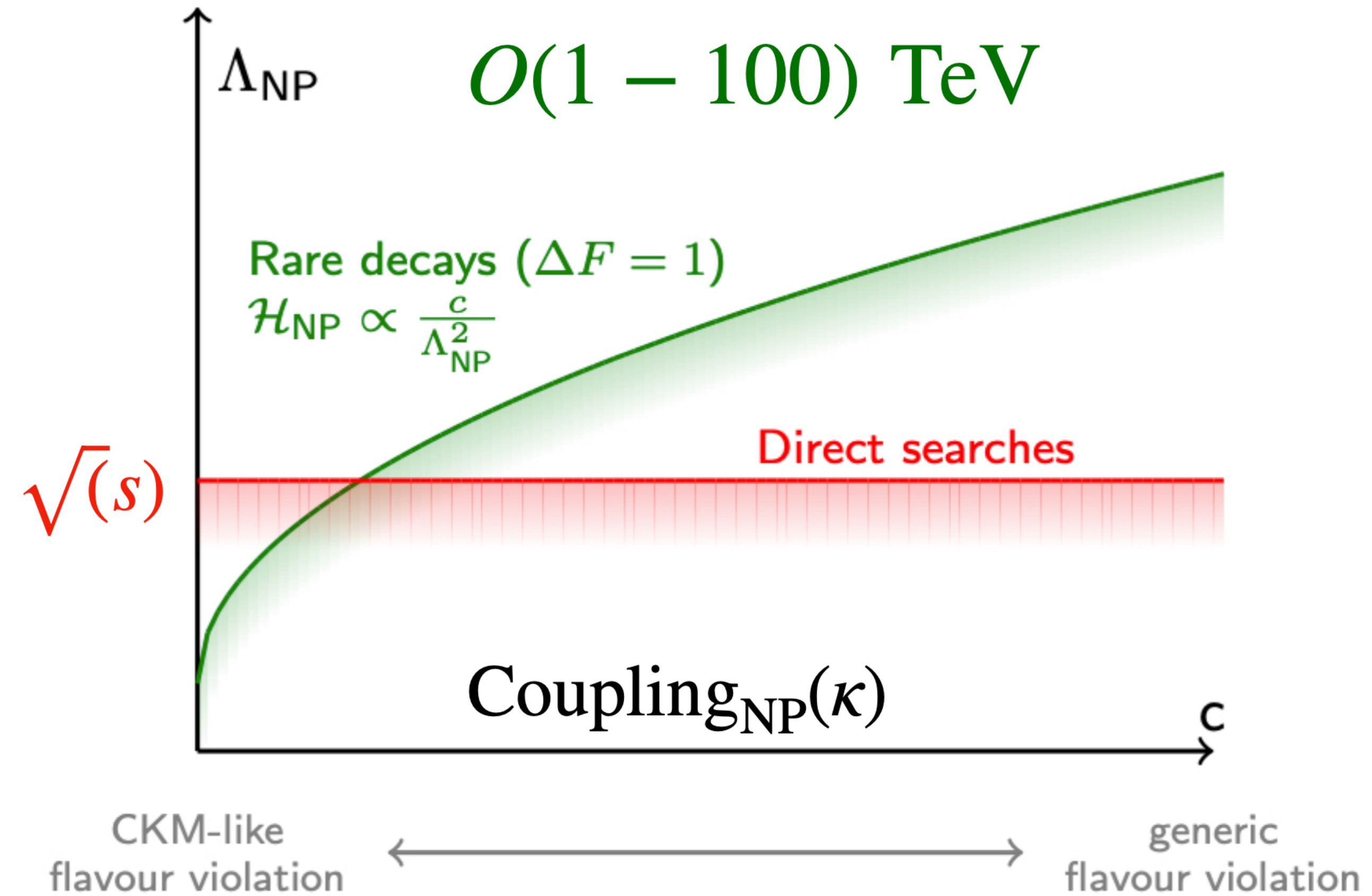
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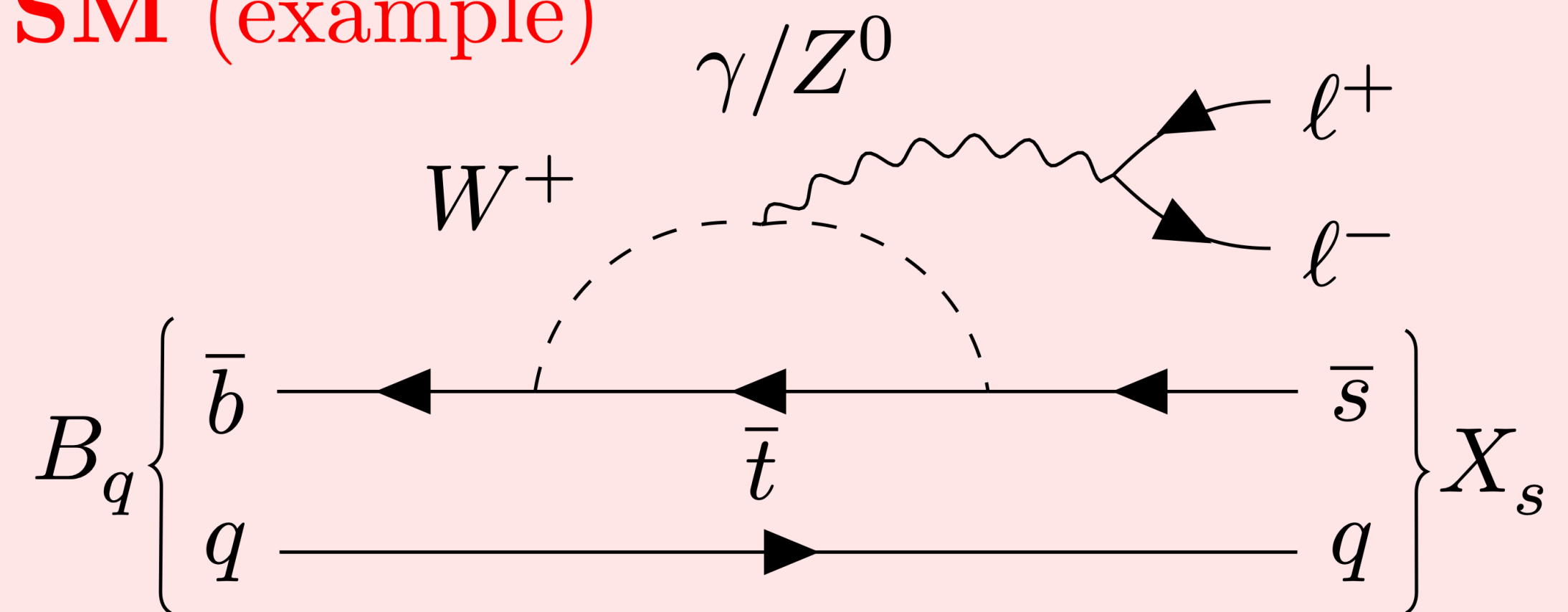




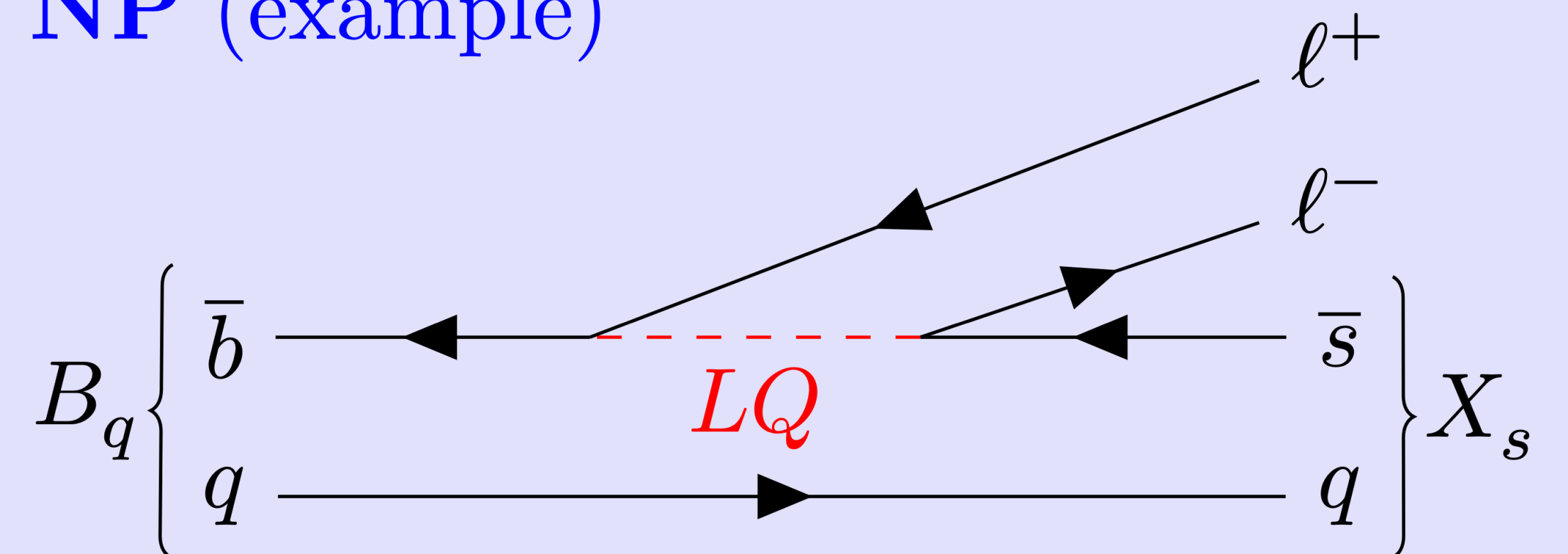
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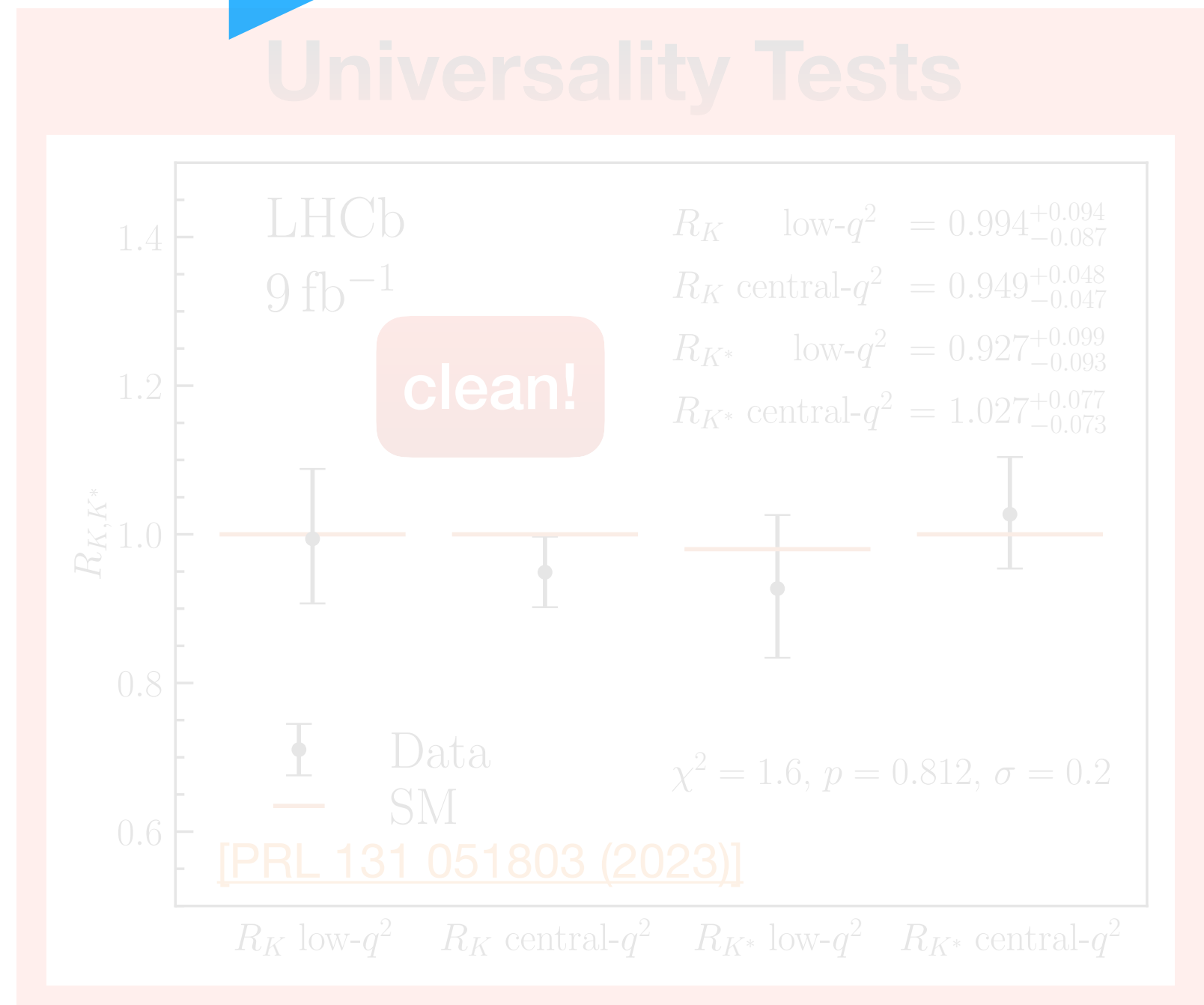
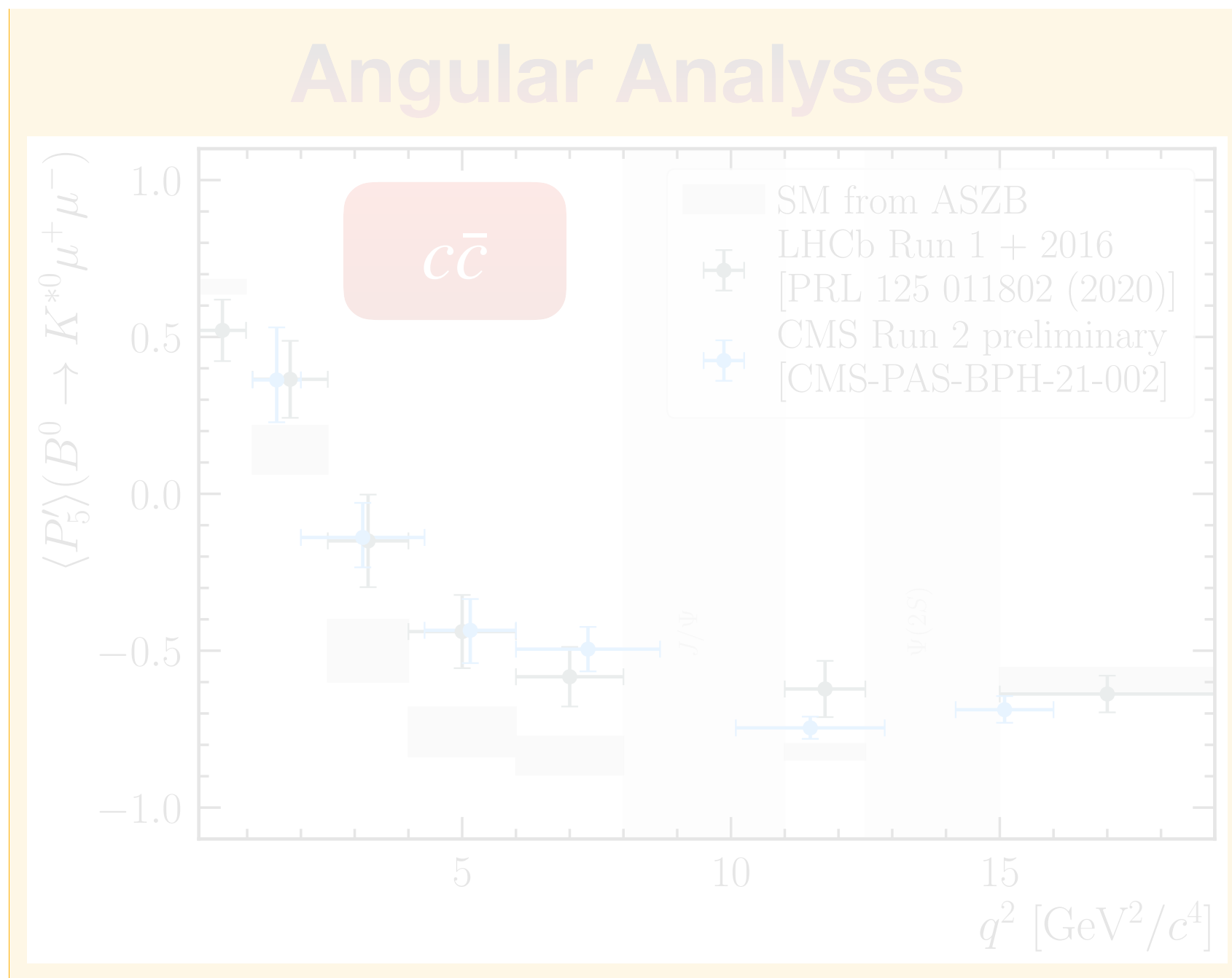
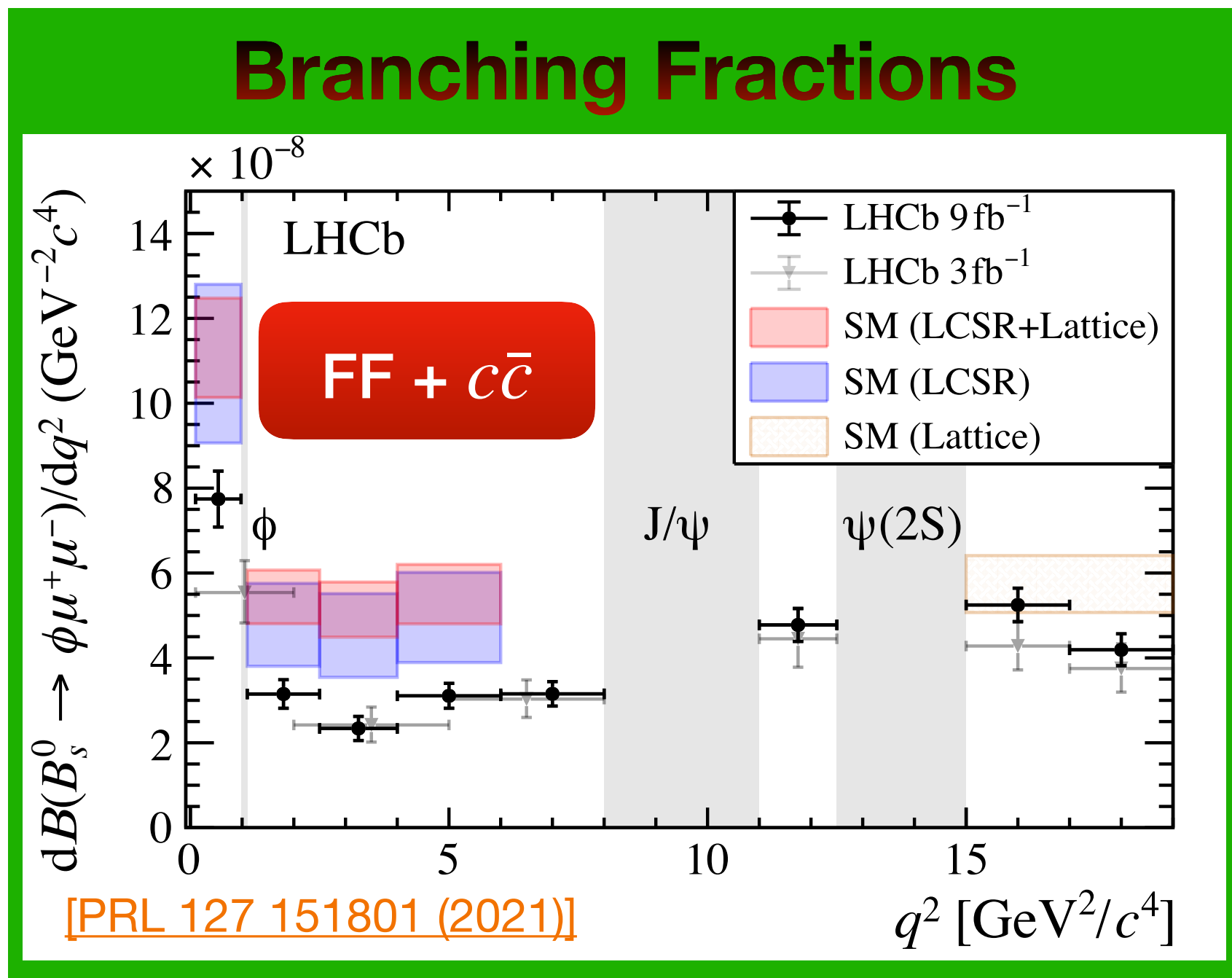


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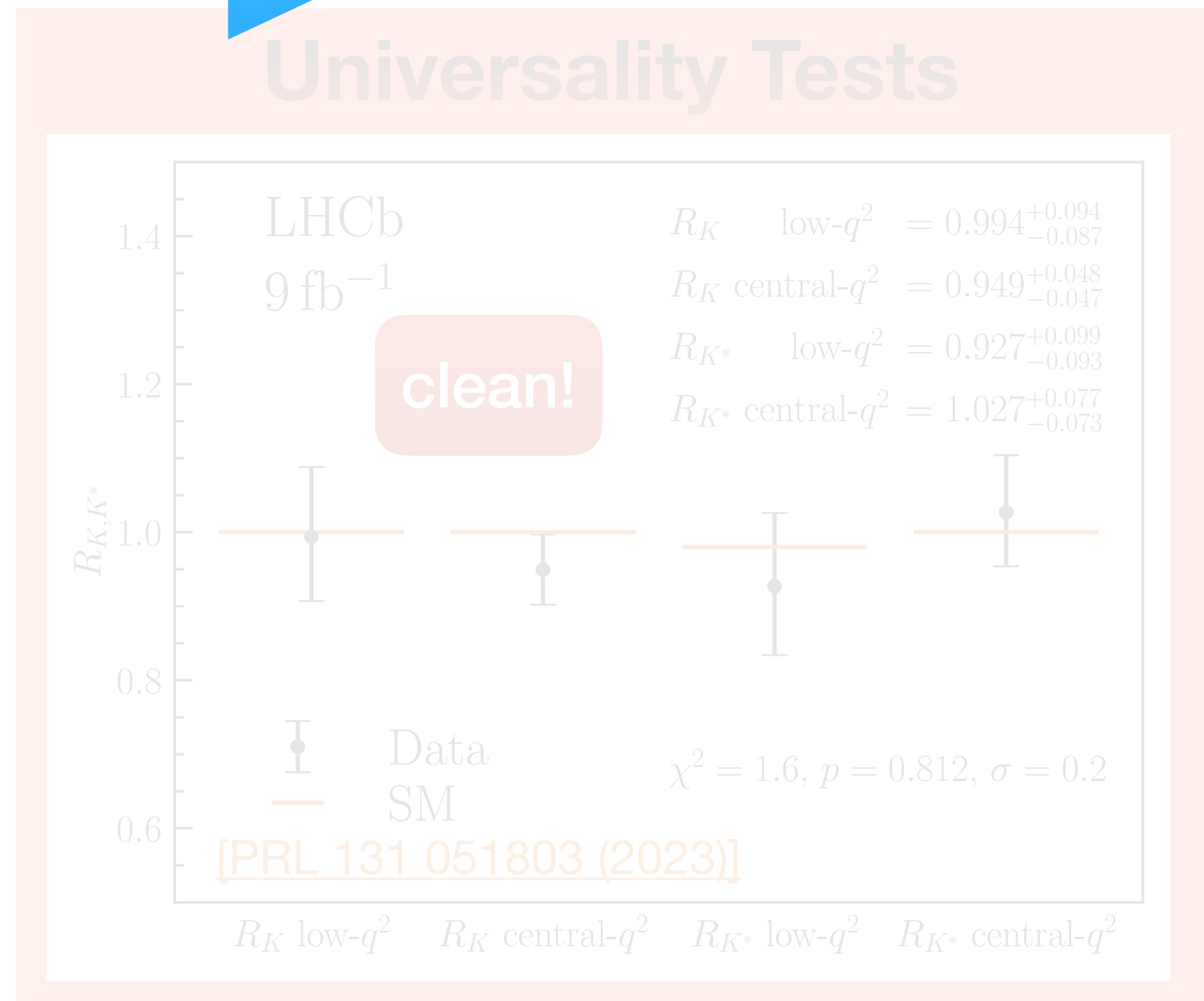
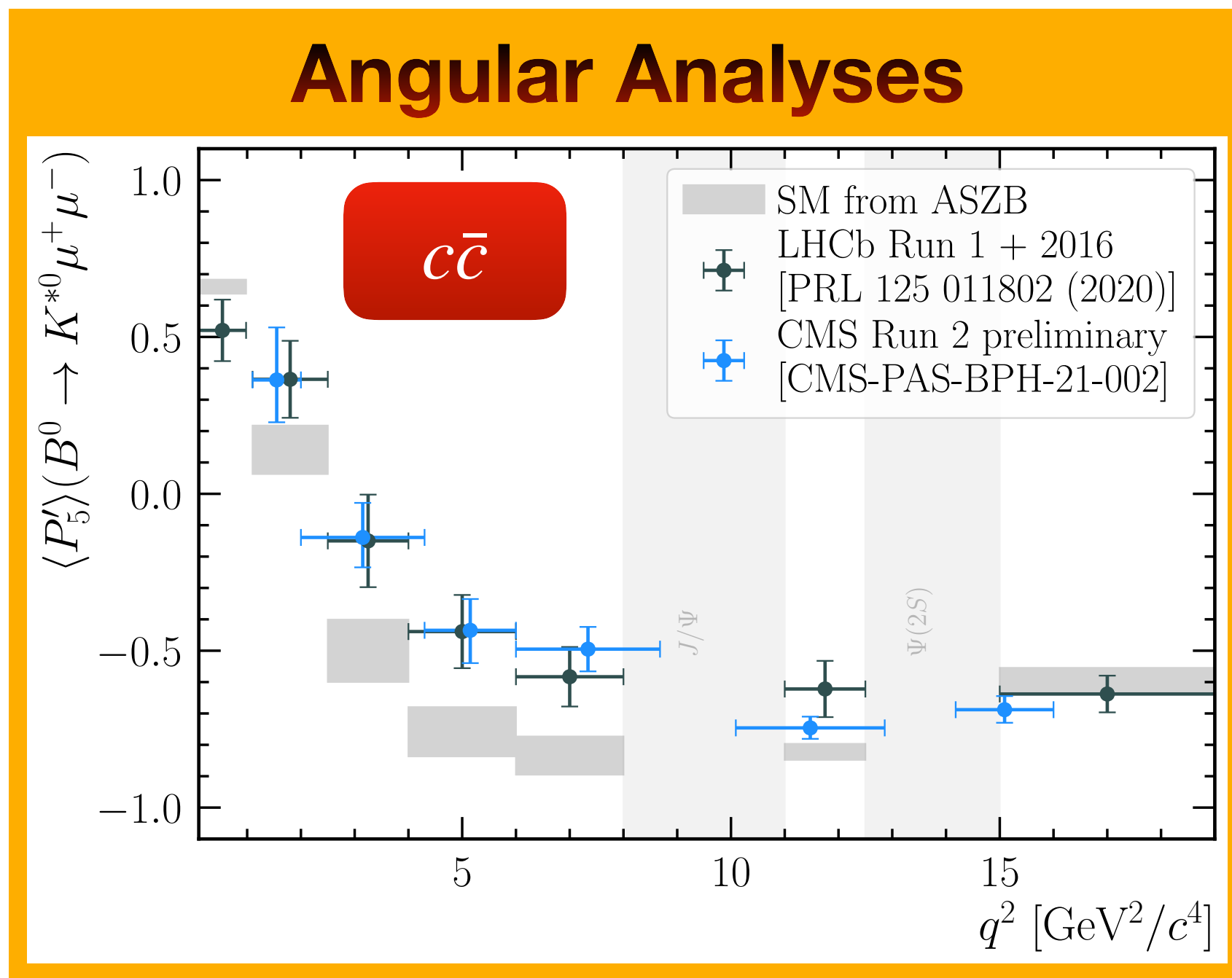
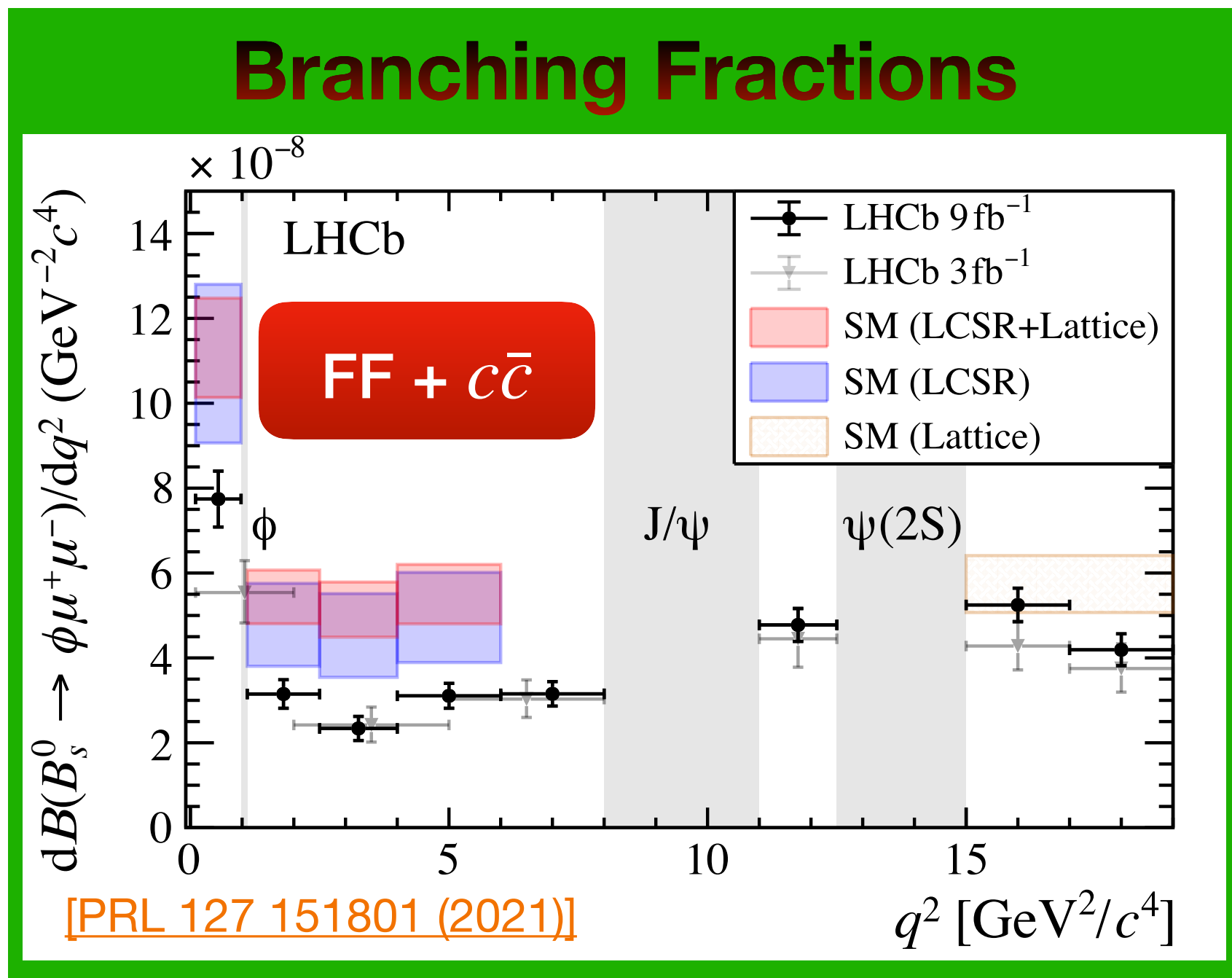


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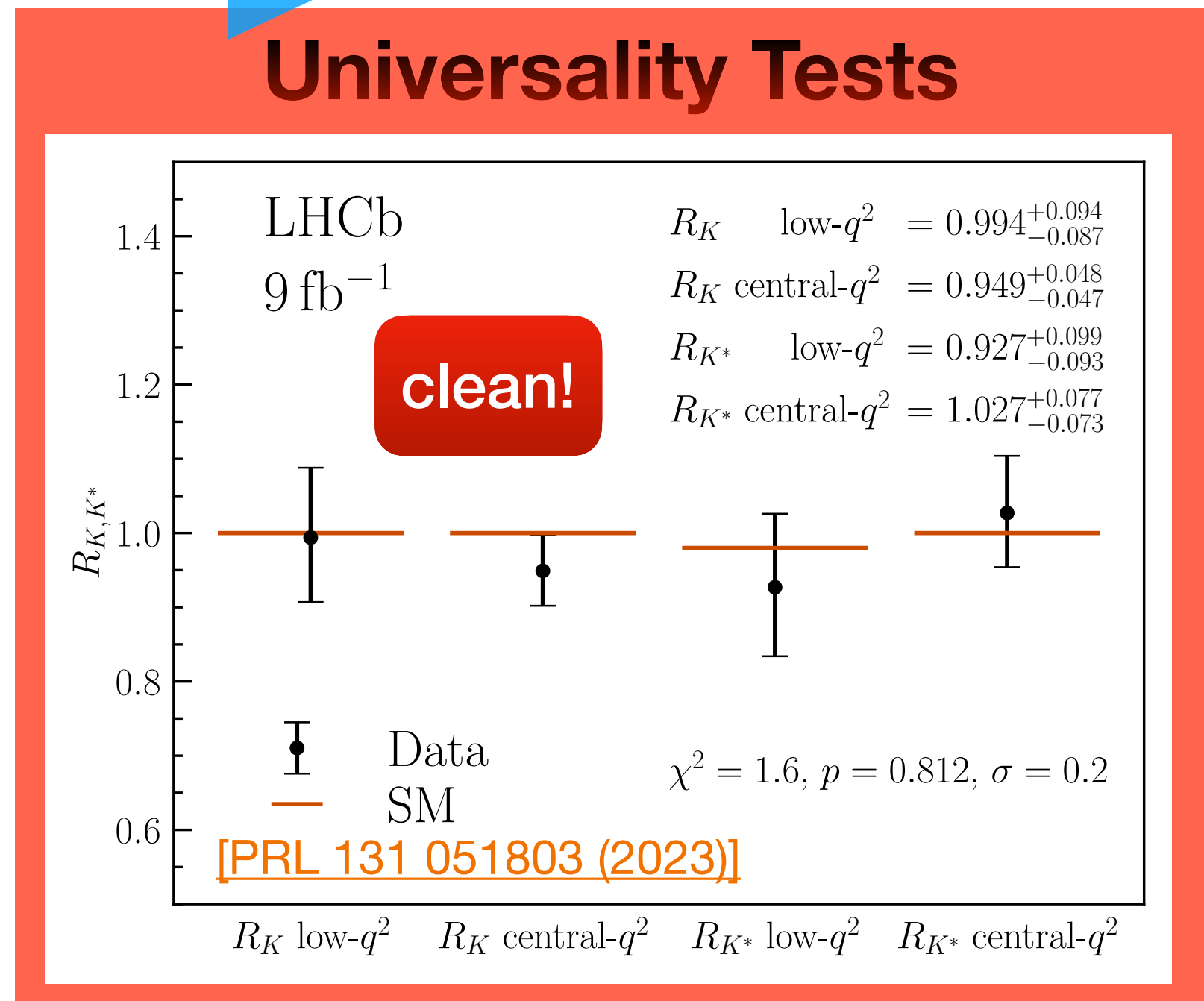
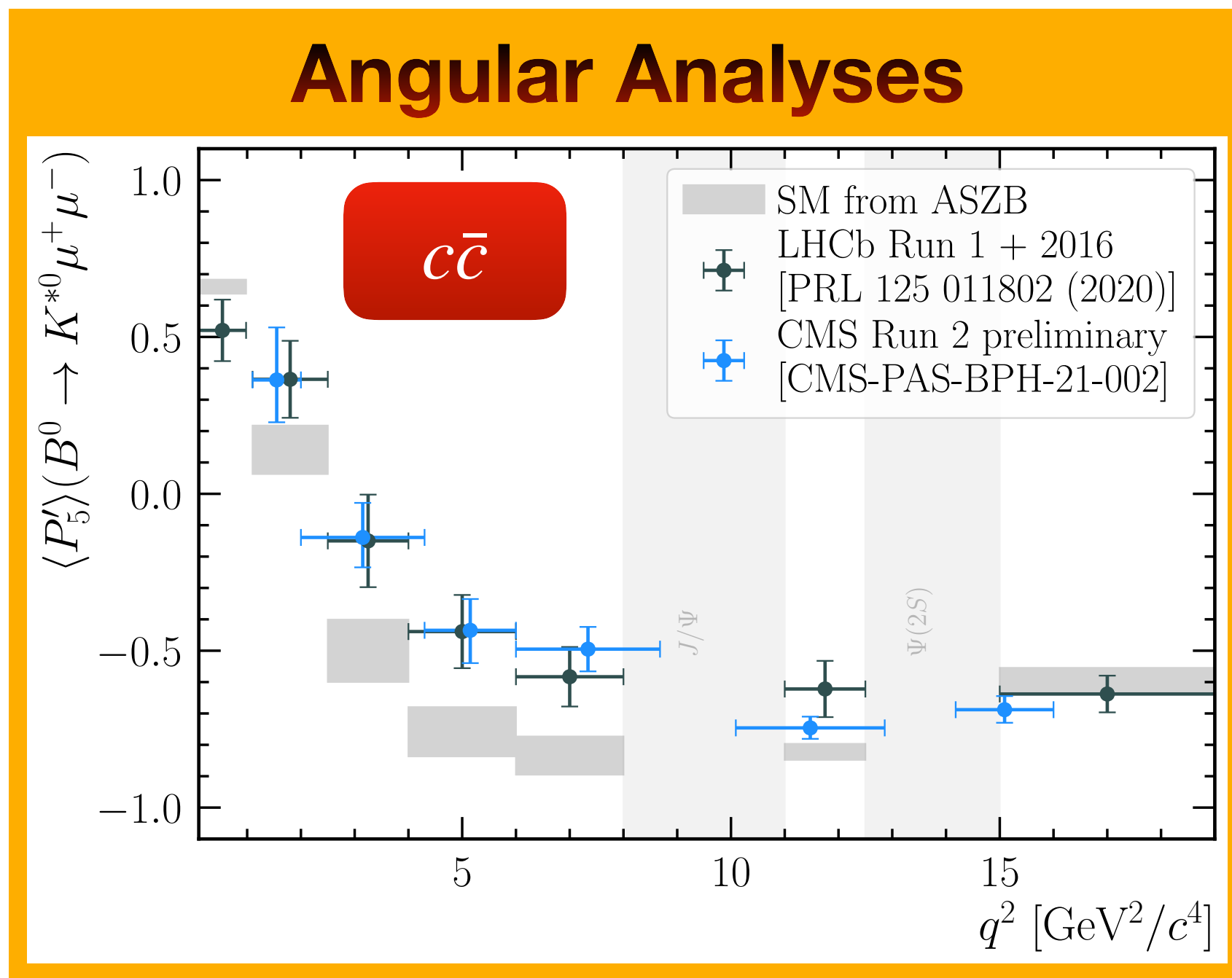
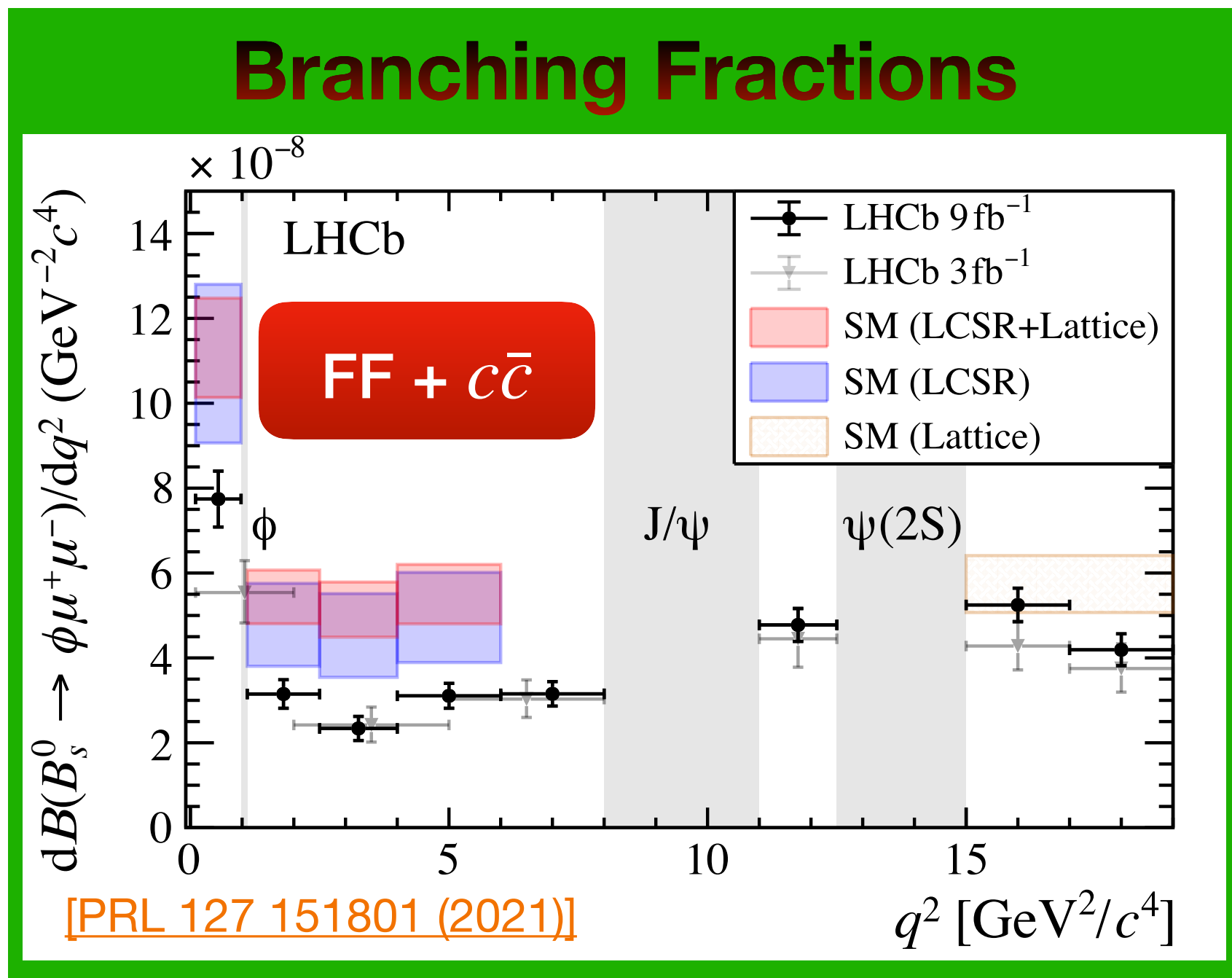


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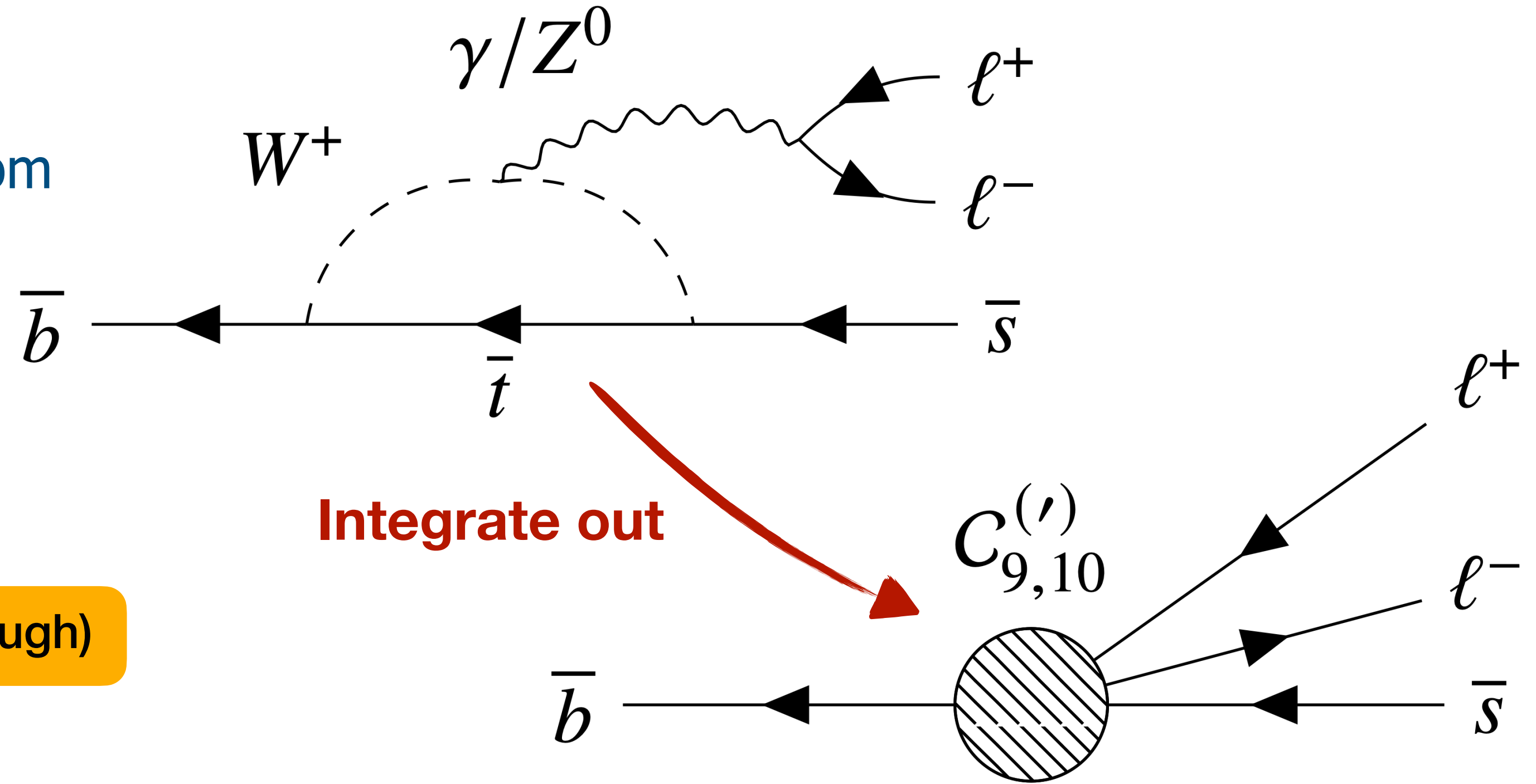
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$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_i (C_i^{\text{SM}} + C_i^{\text{NP}}) \mathcal{O}_i$$



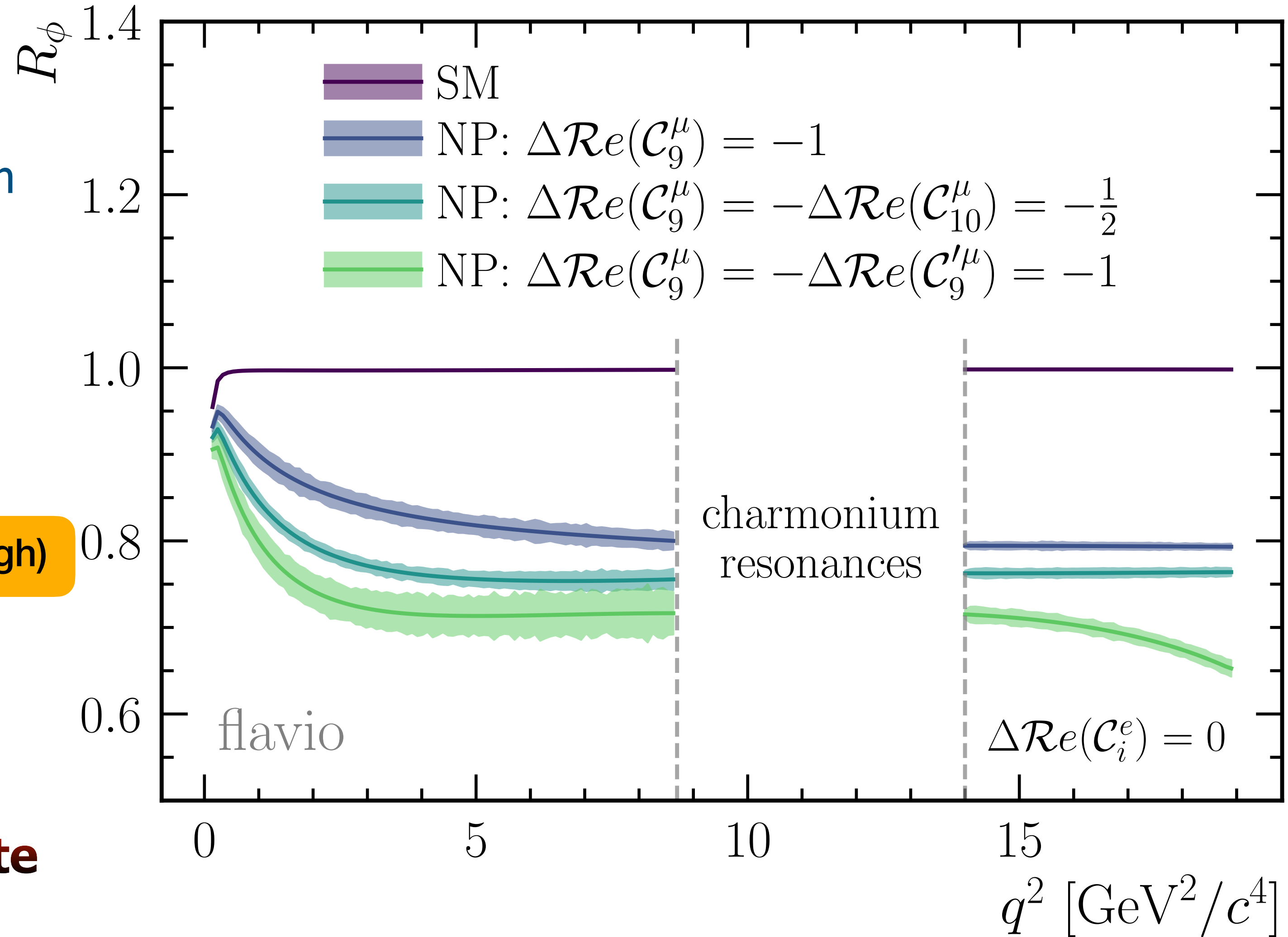
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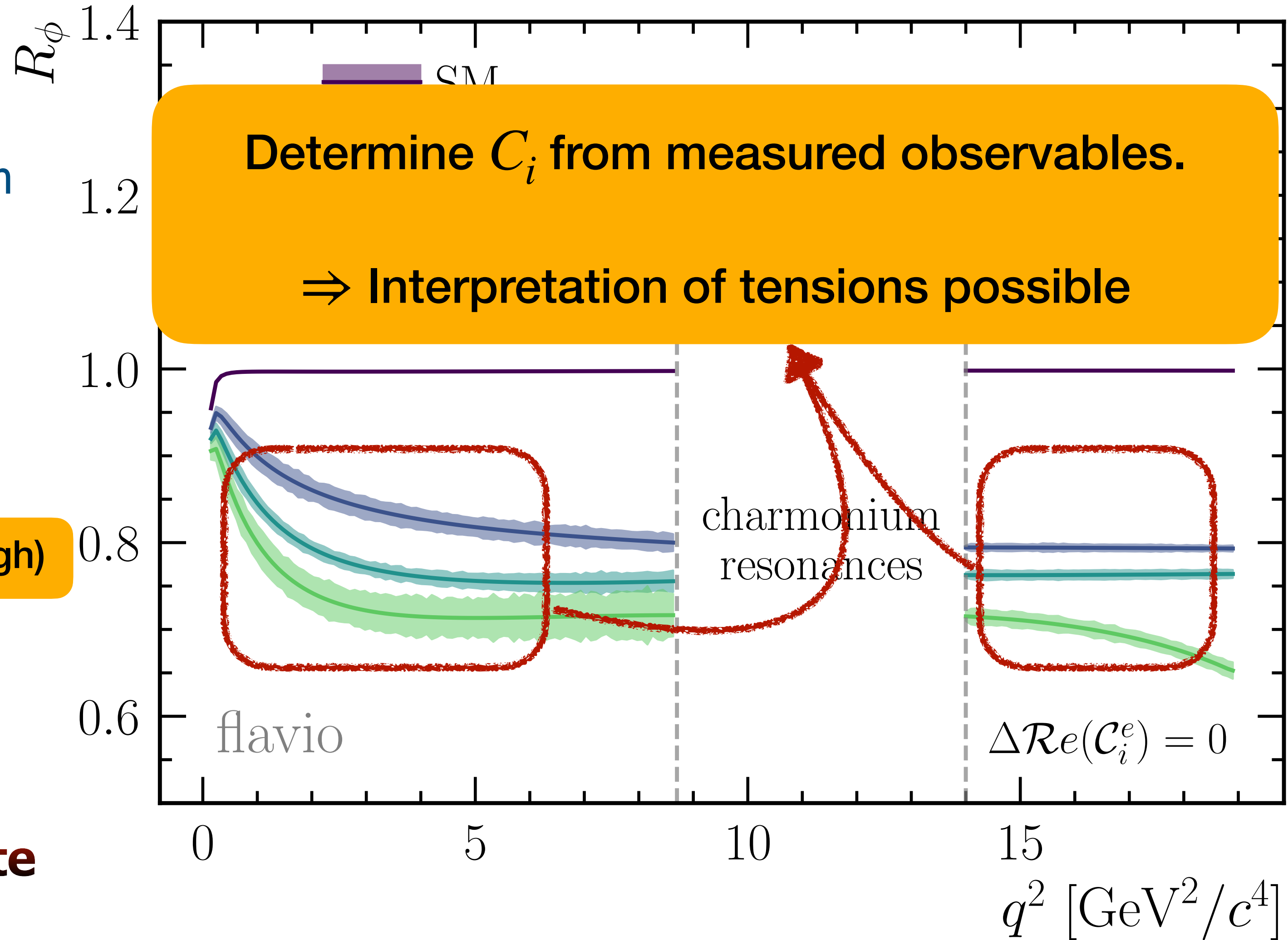
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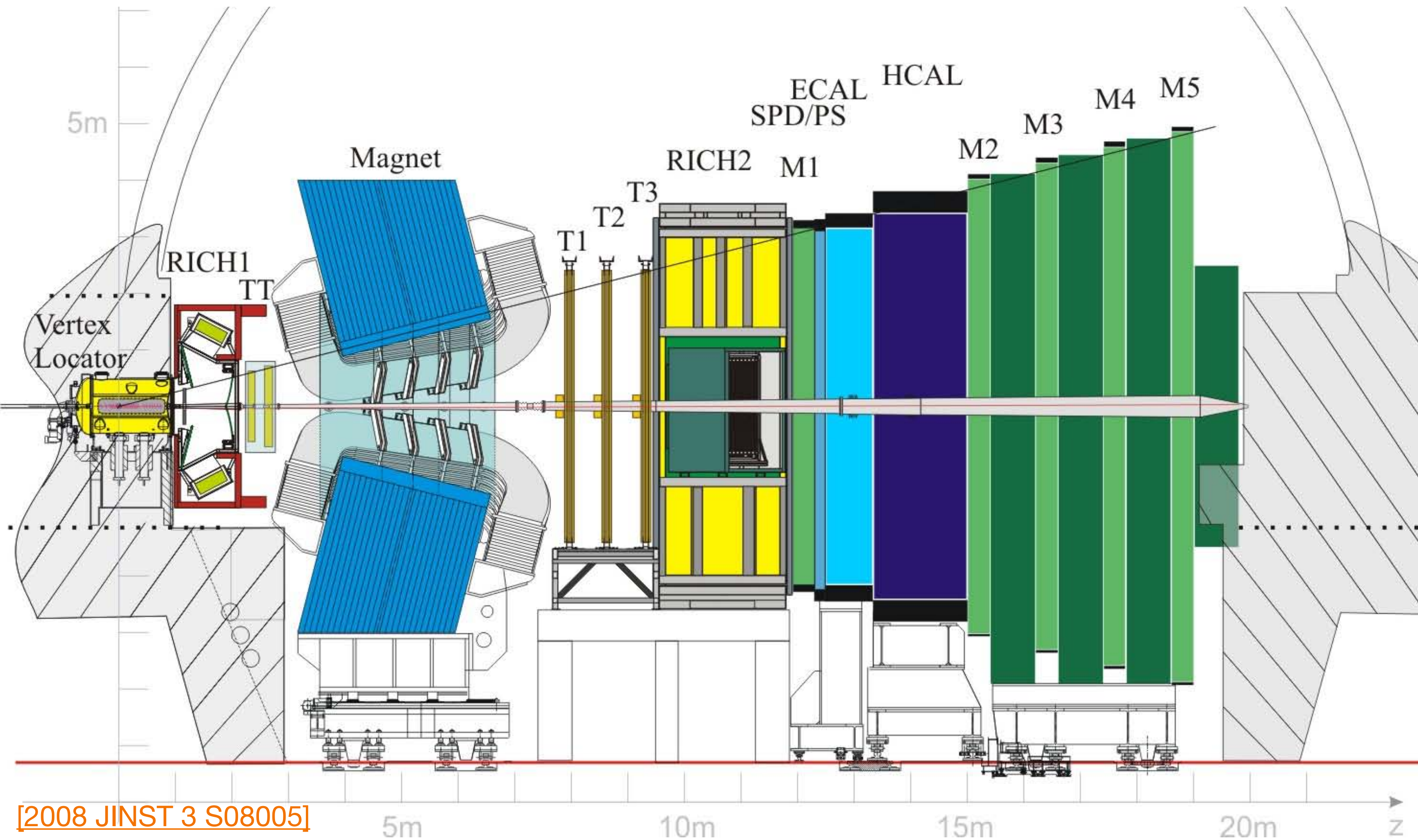
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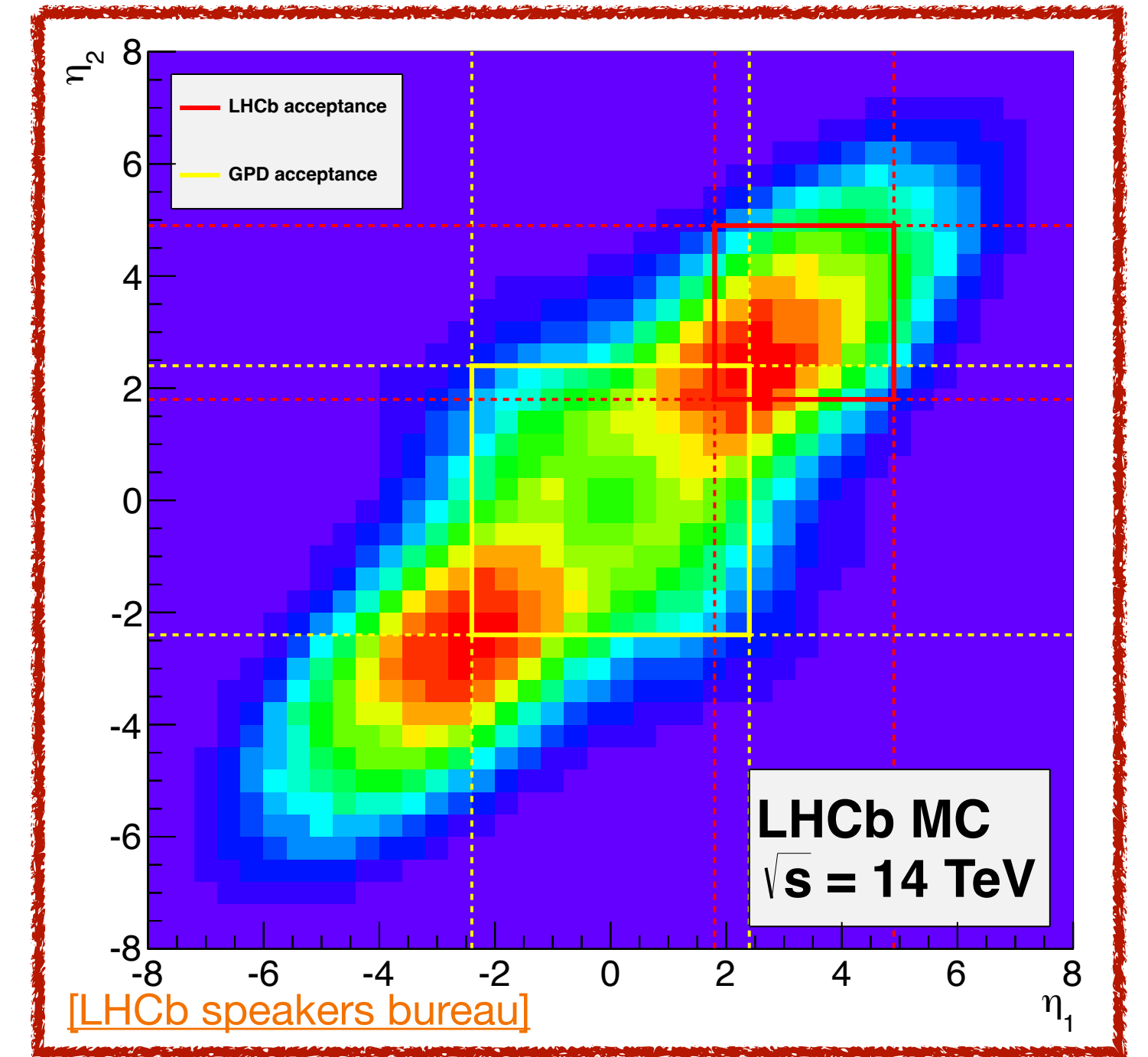




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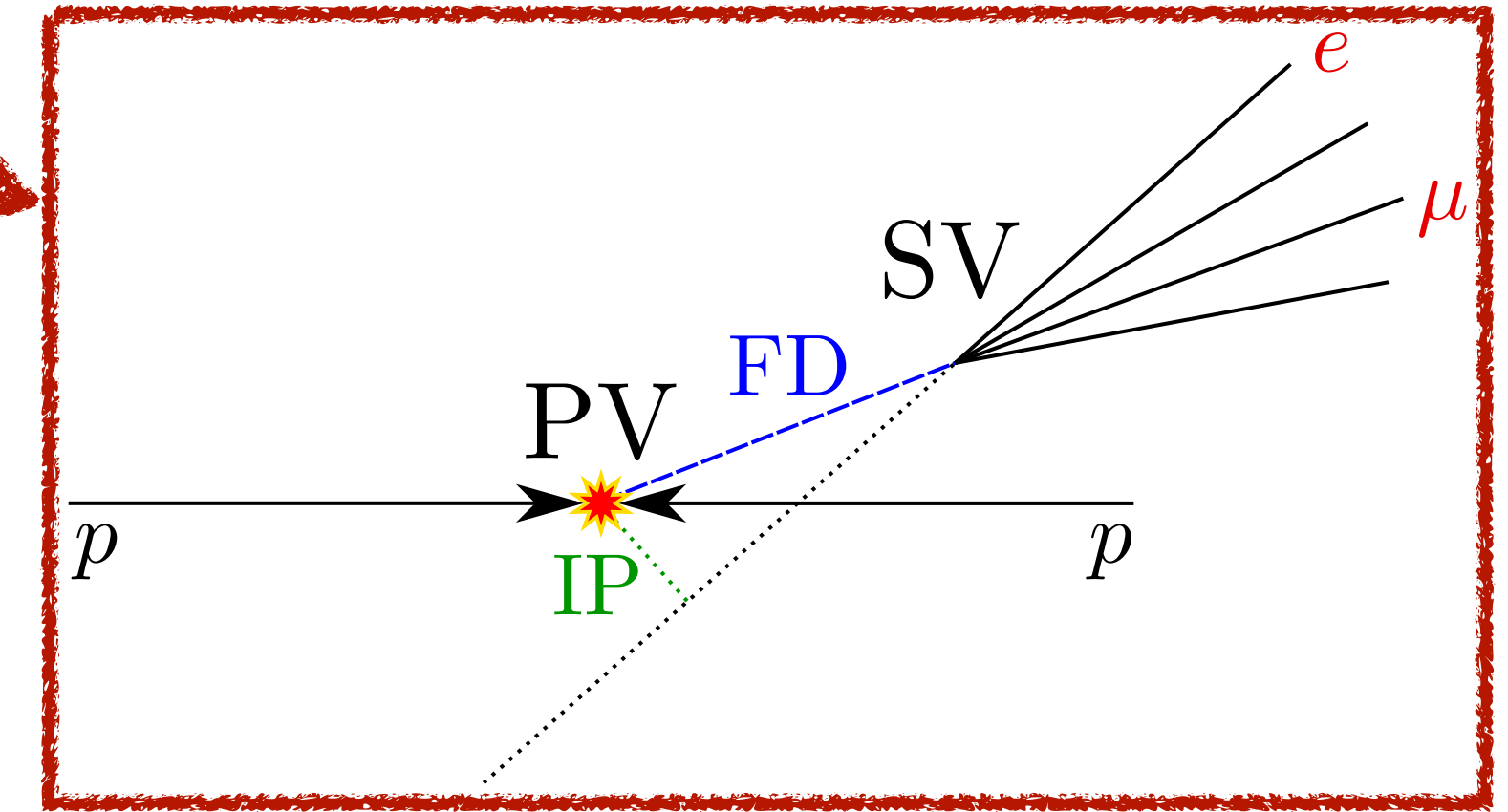
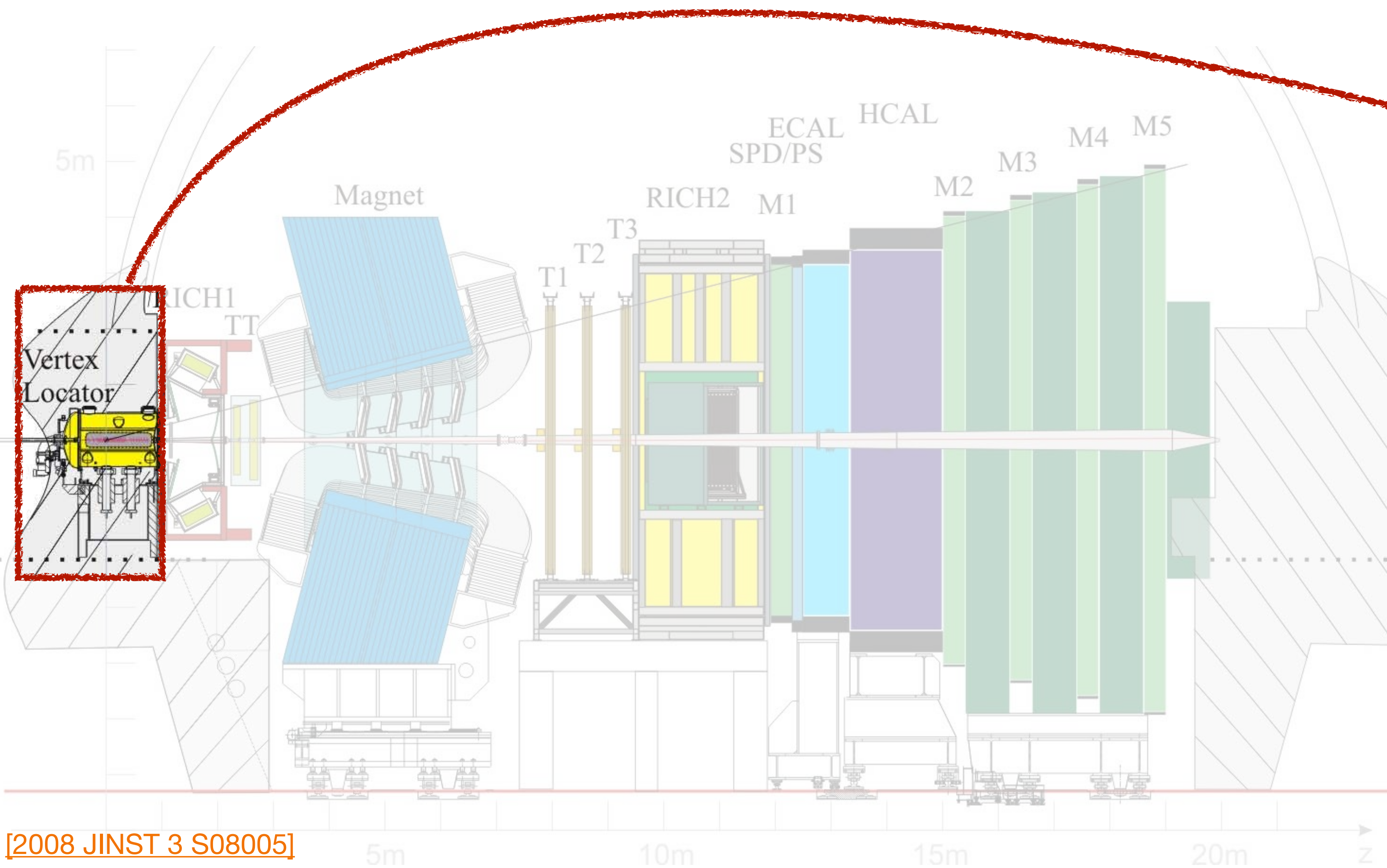
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- Single arm **forward spectrometer**
- Optimised for heavy **flavour physics**
- Coverage:  $2 < \eta < 5$



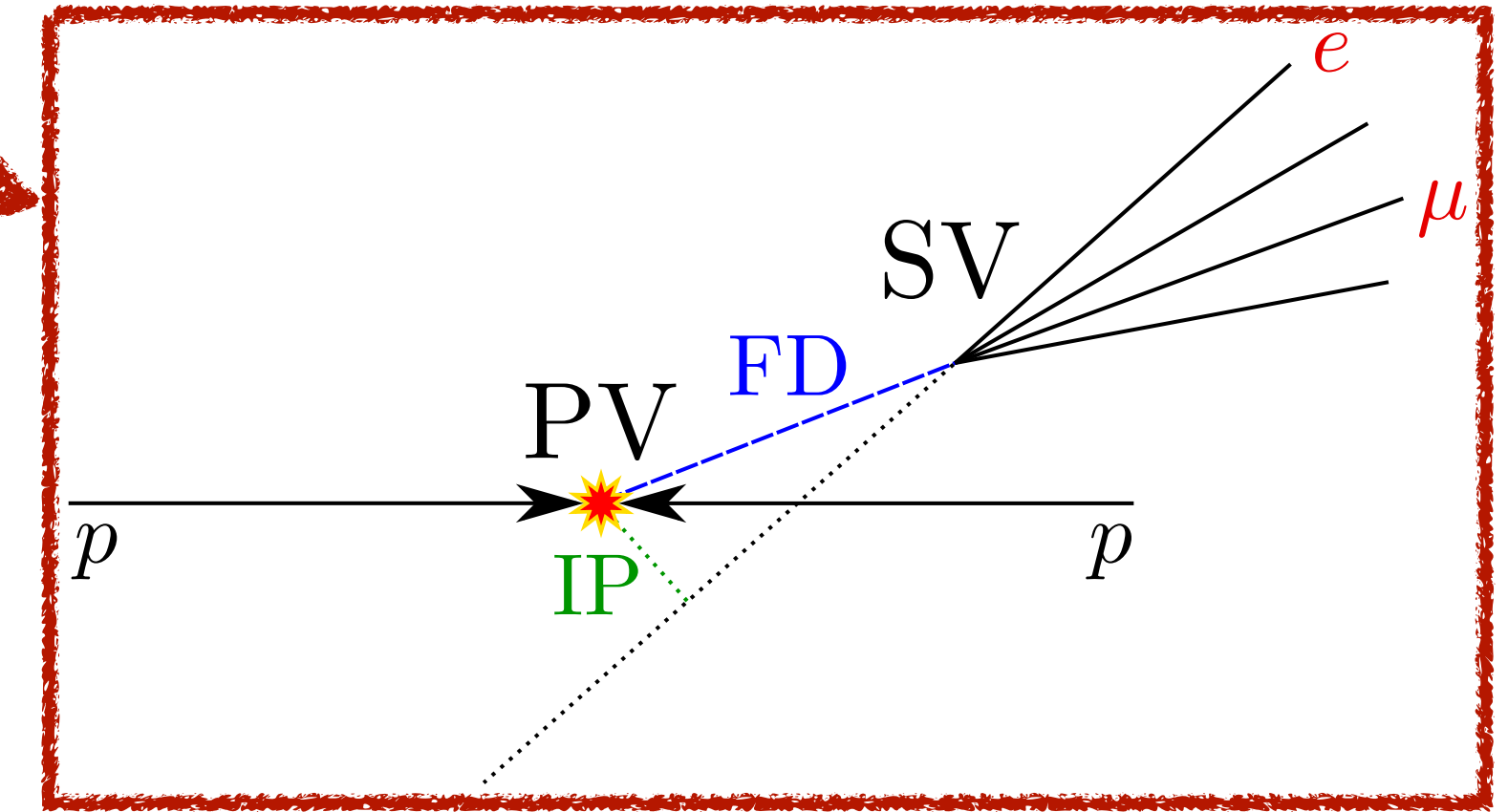
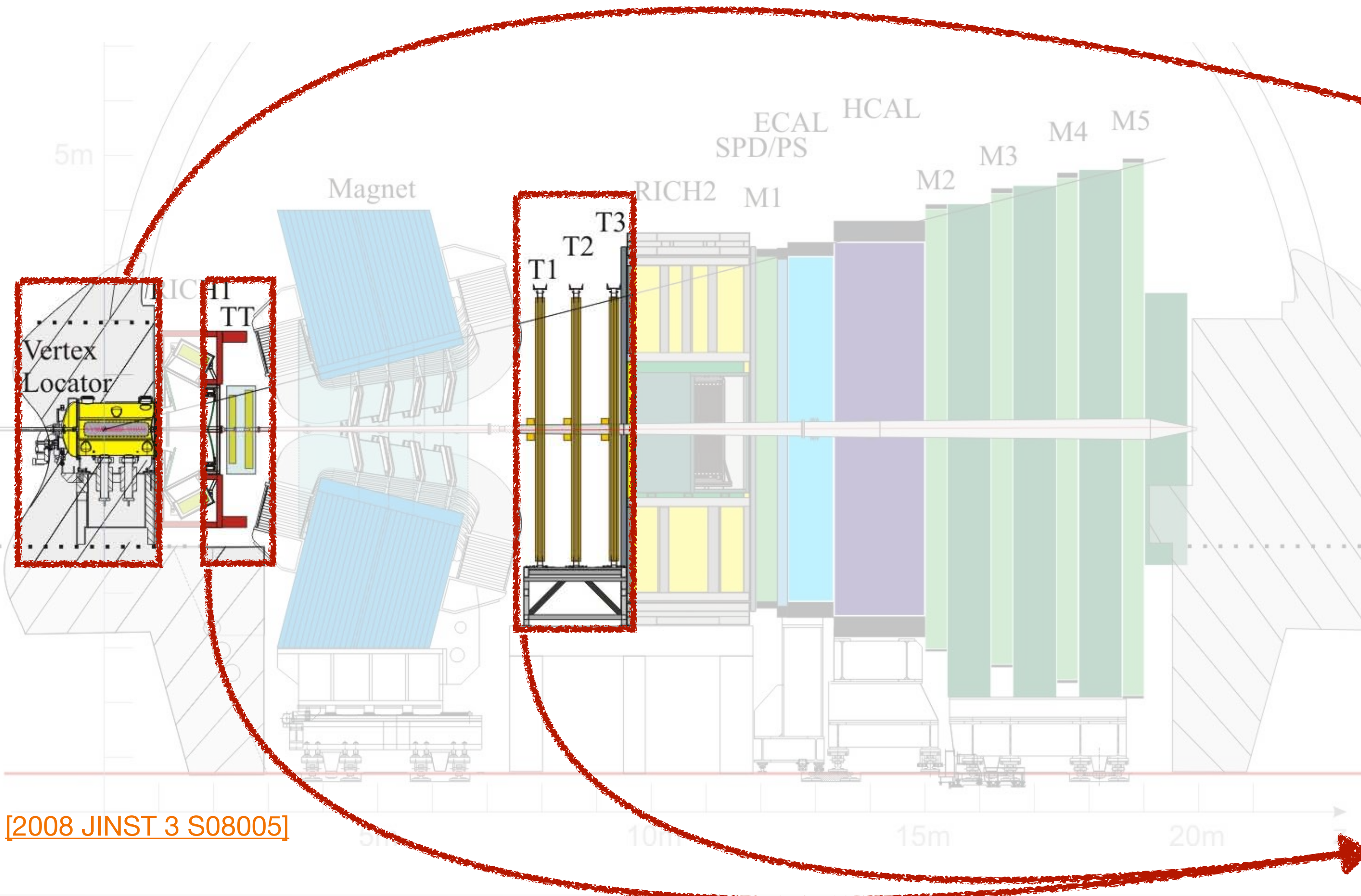
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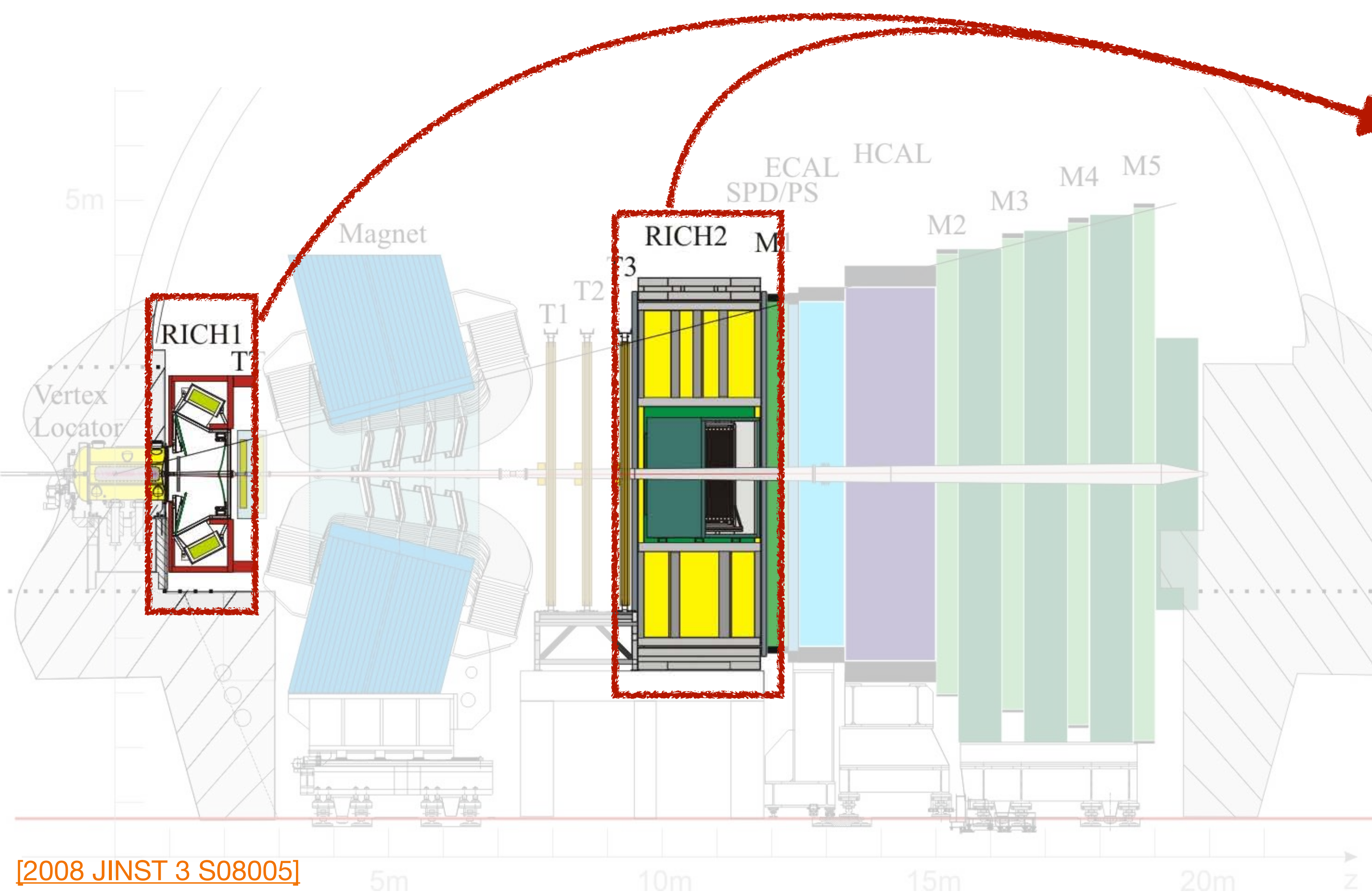


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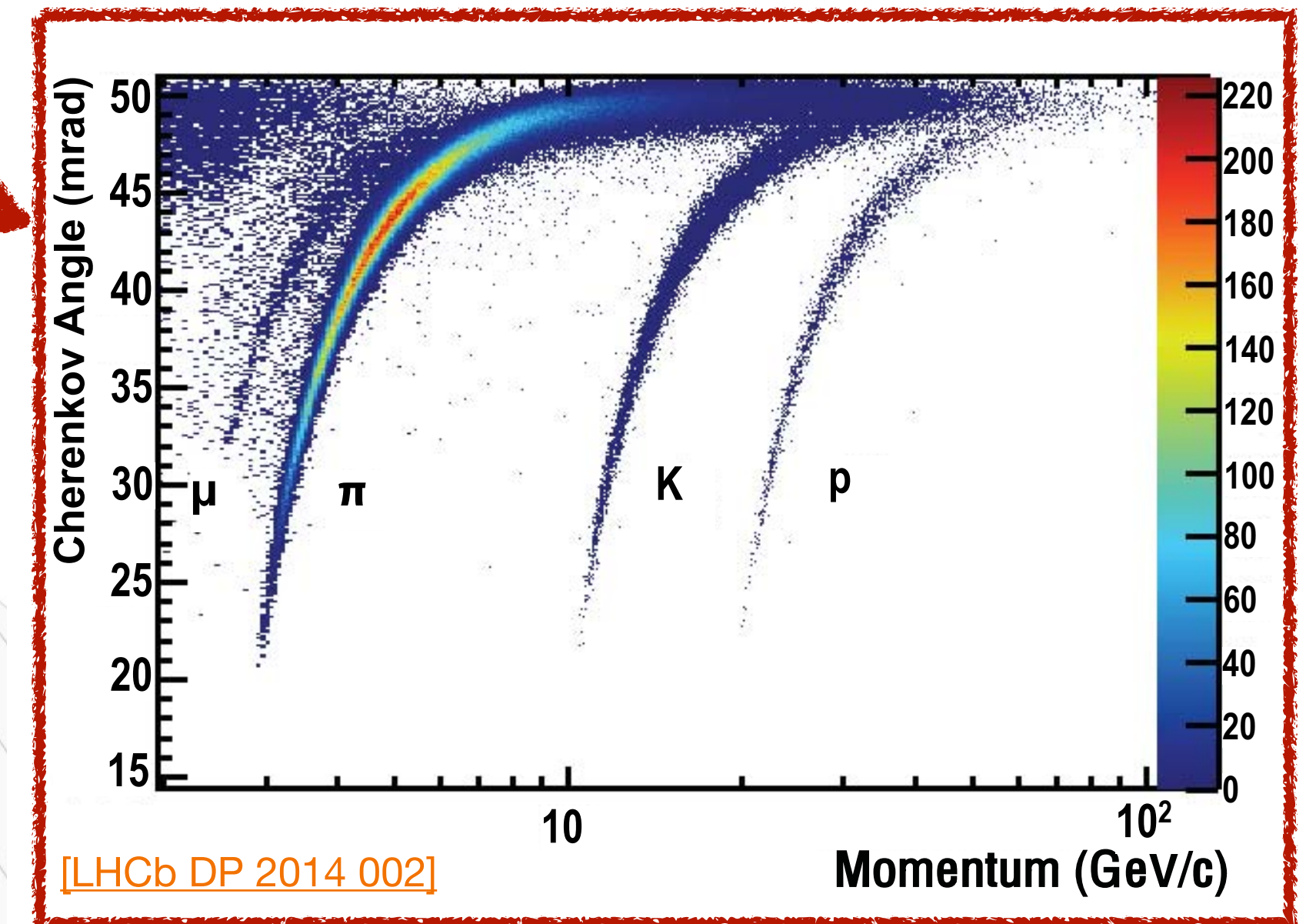
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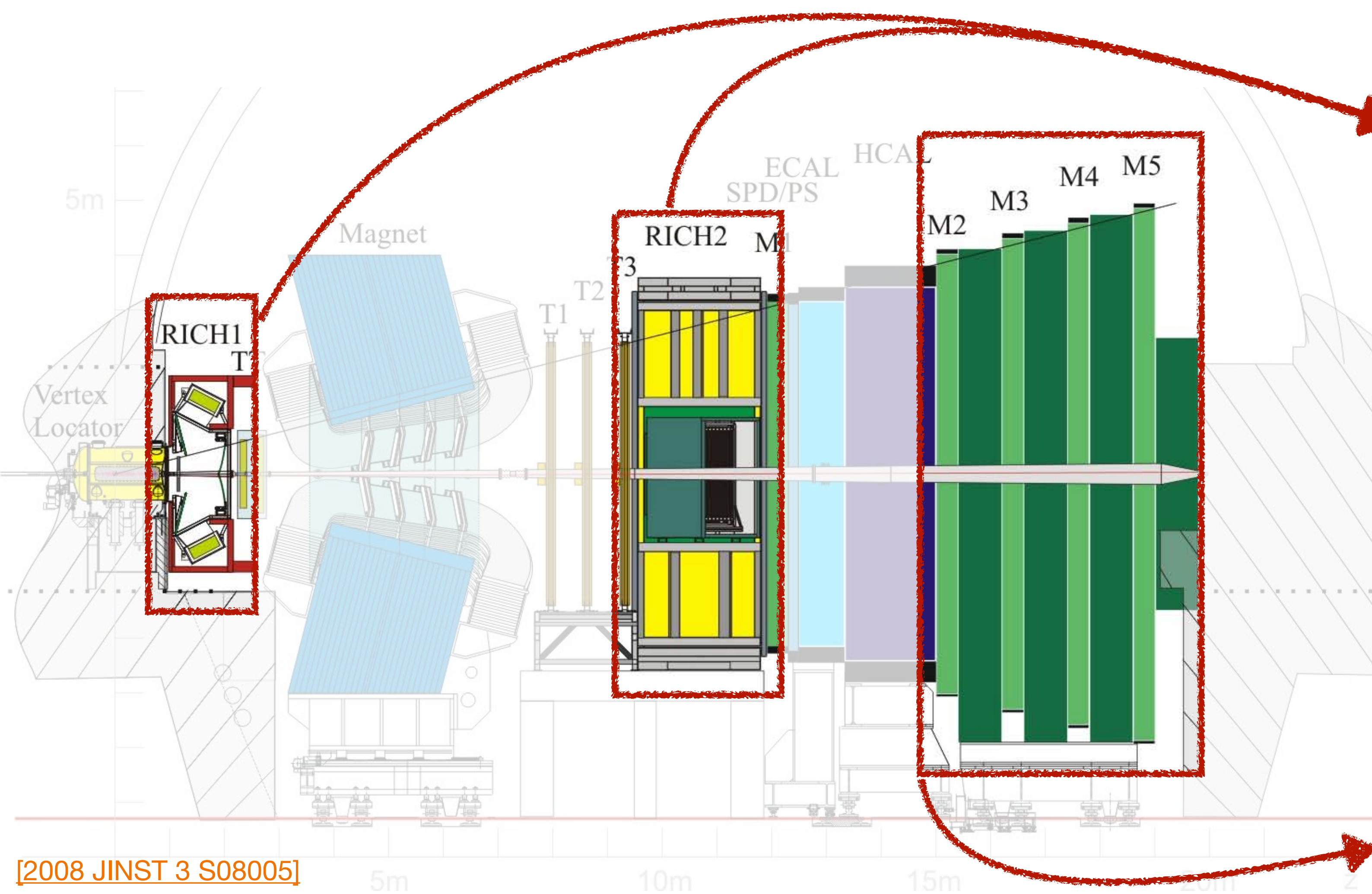
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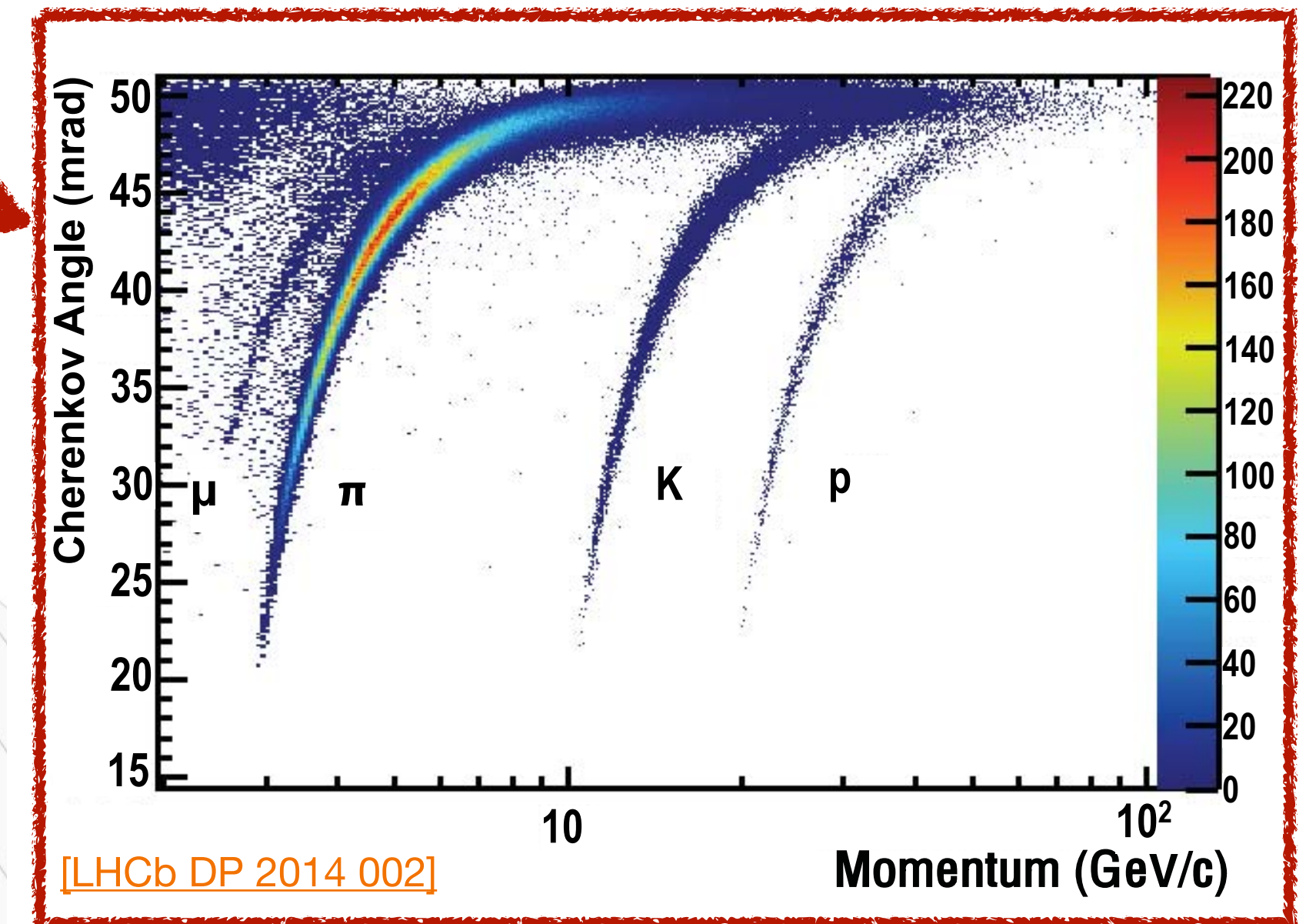
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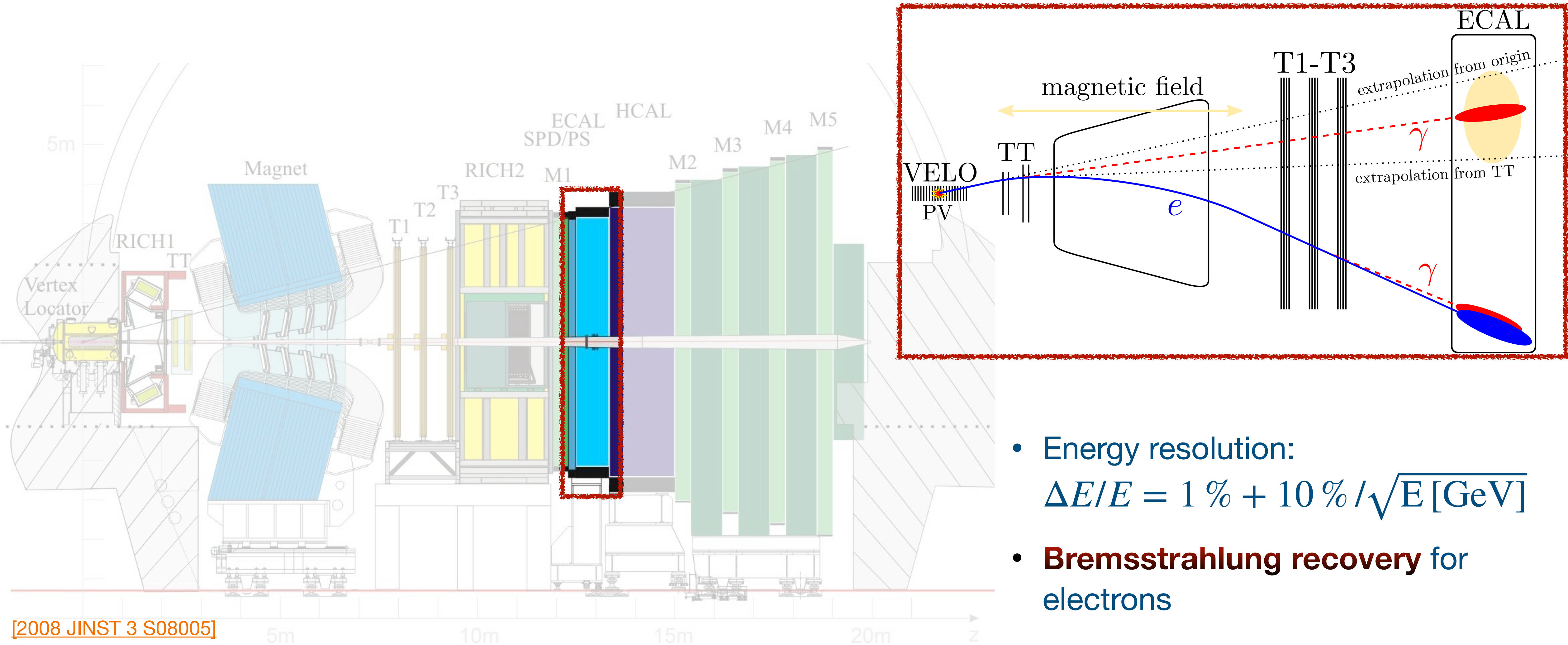
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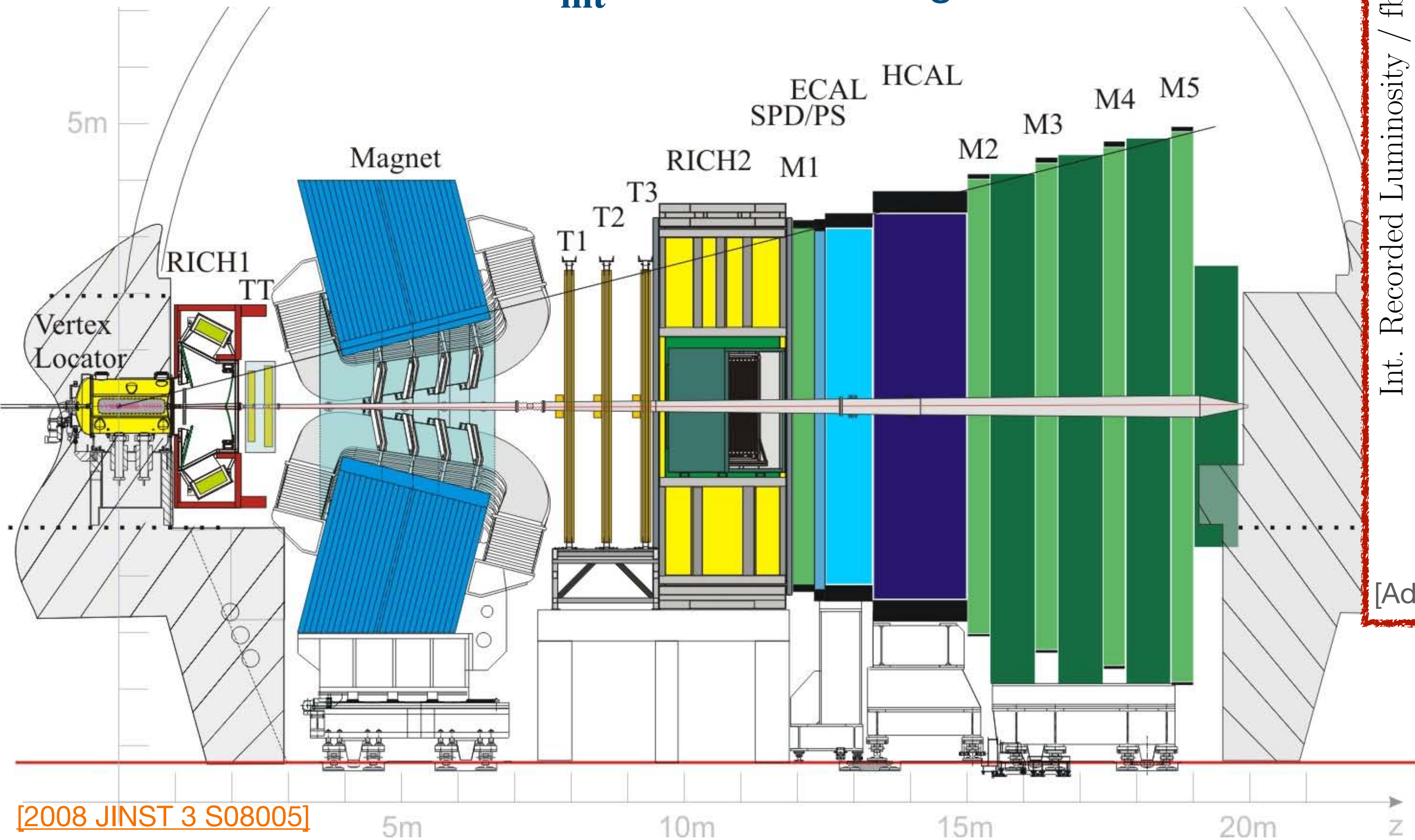
- Energy resolution:  

$$\Delta E/E = 1\% + 10\% / \sqrt{E [\text{GeV}]}$$
- **Bremsstrahlung recovery** for electrons

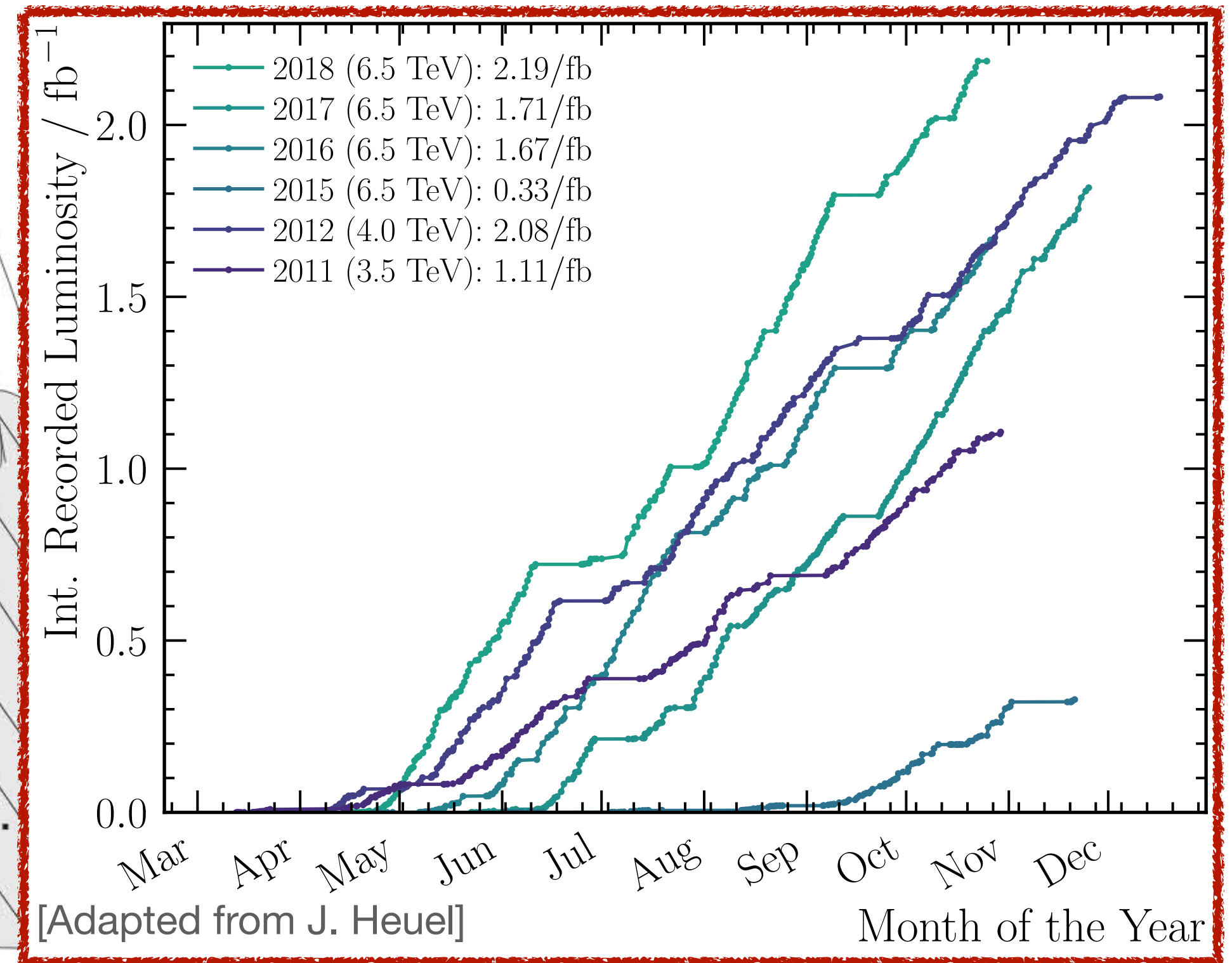


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- Collected a total of  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = 9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  during Run 1 and 2



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- Only possible due to the great work of the people operating LHC and LHCb!



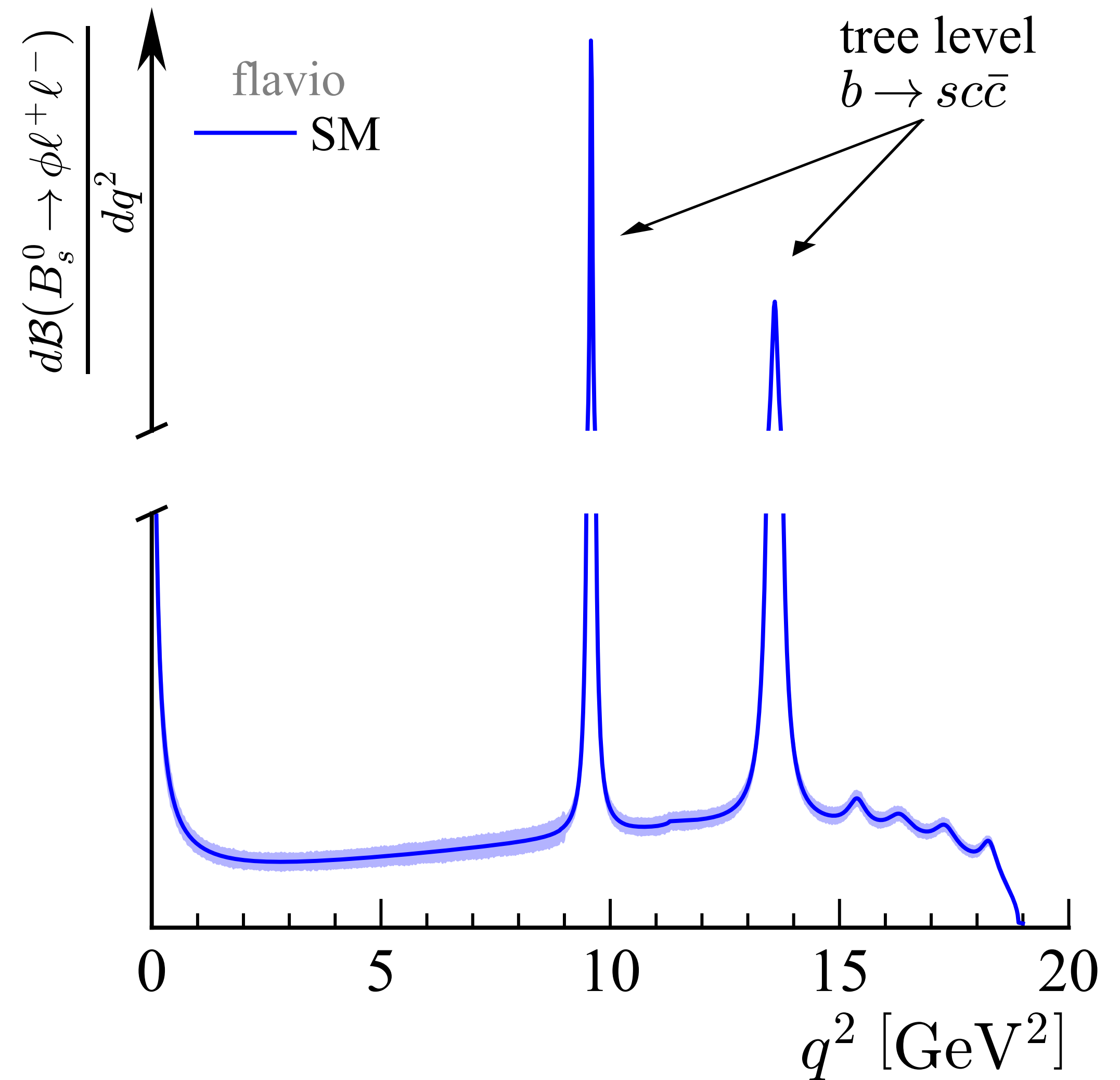
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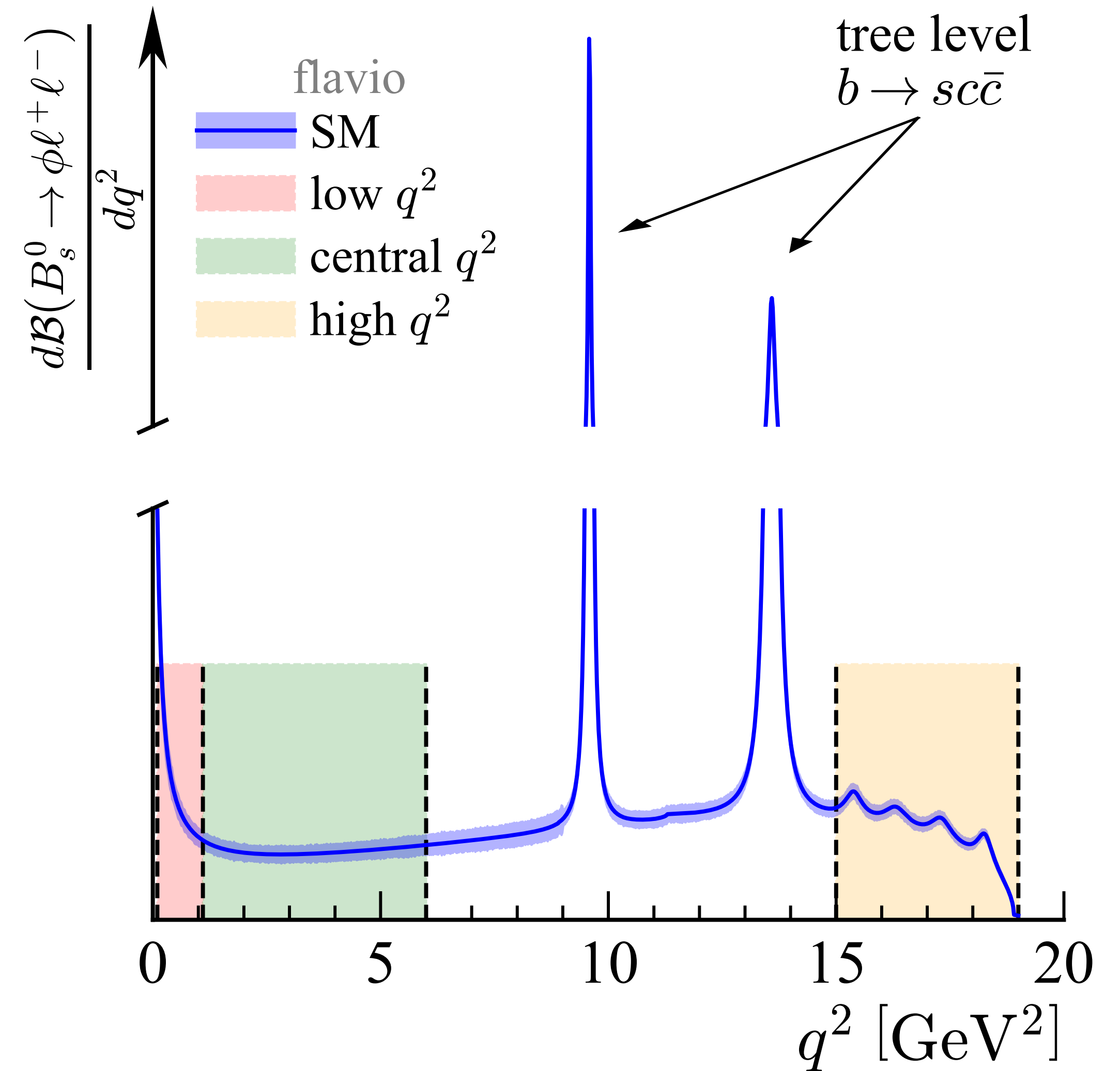
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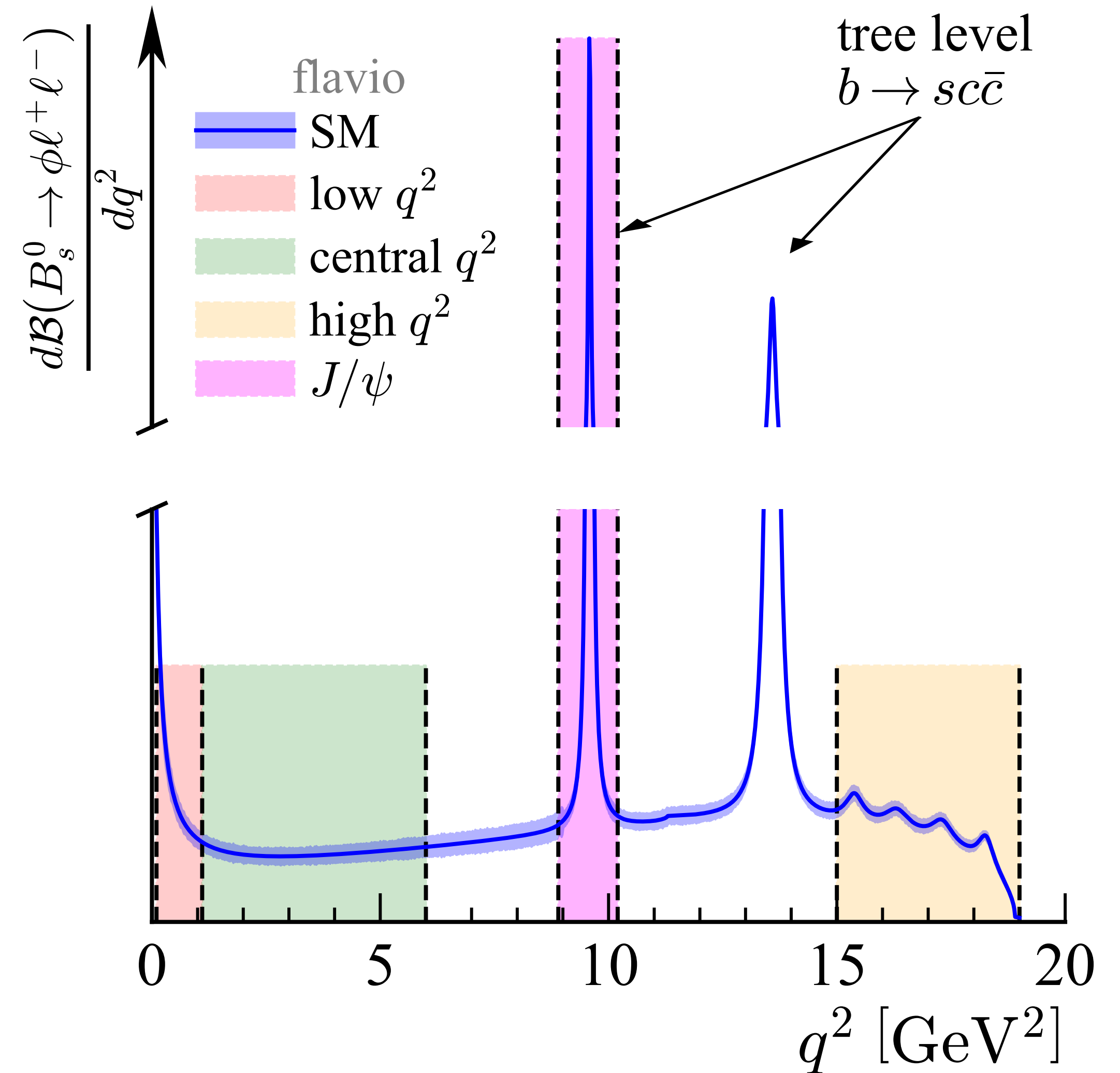
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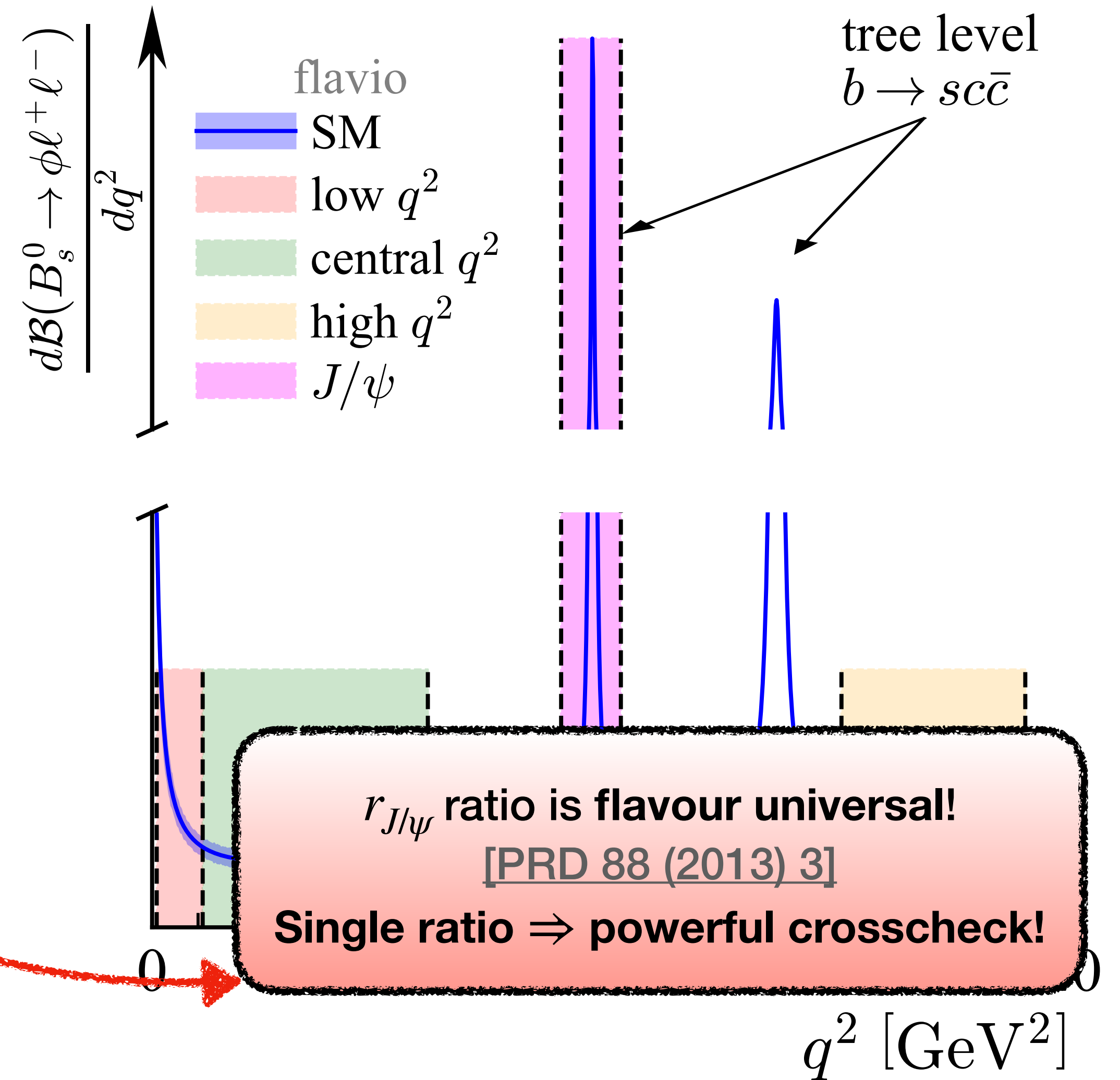
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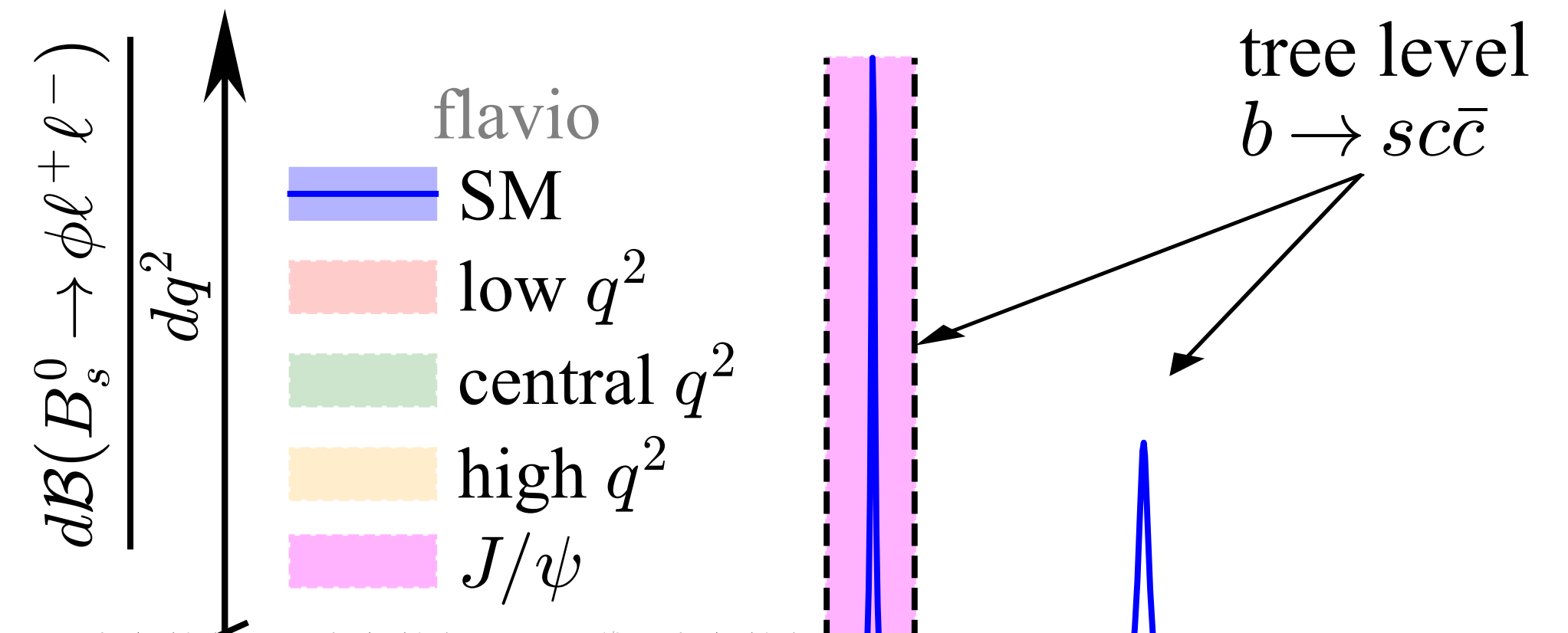
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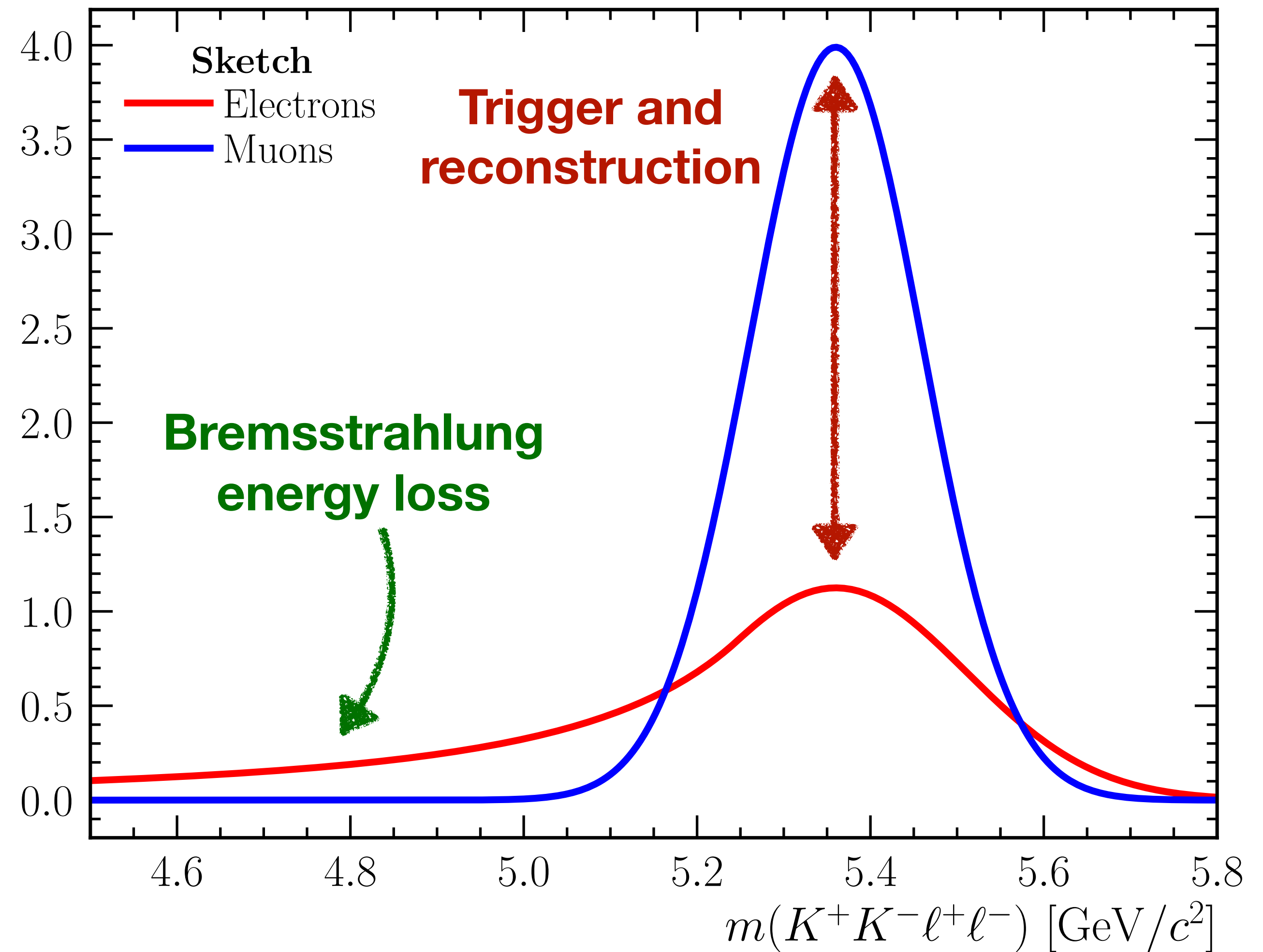
Simulated  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \ell^+ \ell^-$  decays

Experimentally:  $R_\phi^{-1} = \frac{N(\phi e^+ e^-)}{N(\phi J/\psi(e^+ e^-))} \cdot \frac{N(\phi J/\psi(\mu^+ \mu^-))}{N(\phi \mu^+ \mu^-)} \cdot \frac{\epsilon(\phi J/\psi(e^+ e^-))}{\epsilon(\phi e^+ e^-)} \cdot \frac{\epsilon(\phi \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\epsilon(\phi J/\psi(\mu^+ \mu^-))}$



# EXPERIMENTAL CHALLENGES WITH ELECTRONS

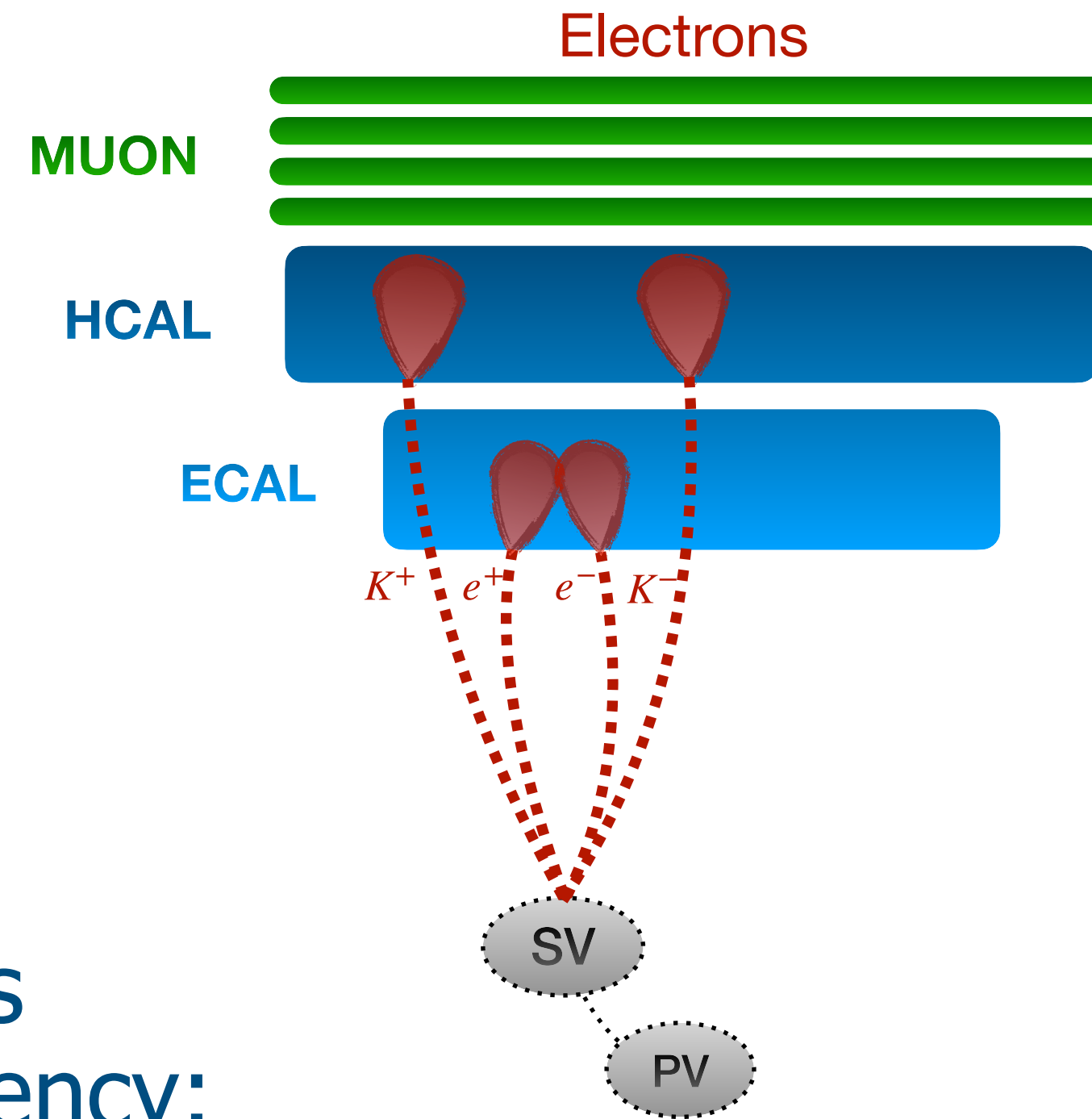
- Electron PID more challenging
  - Background control crucial
- Smaller hardware **trigger efficiency**
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- Electrons emit more **bremsstrahlung**
  - Main source of energy loss for  $e^+e^-$





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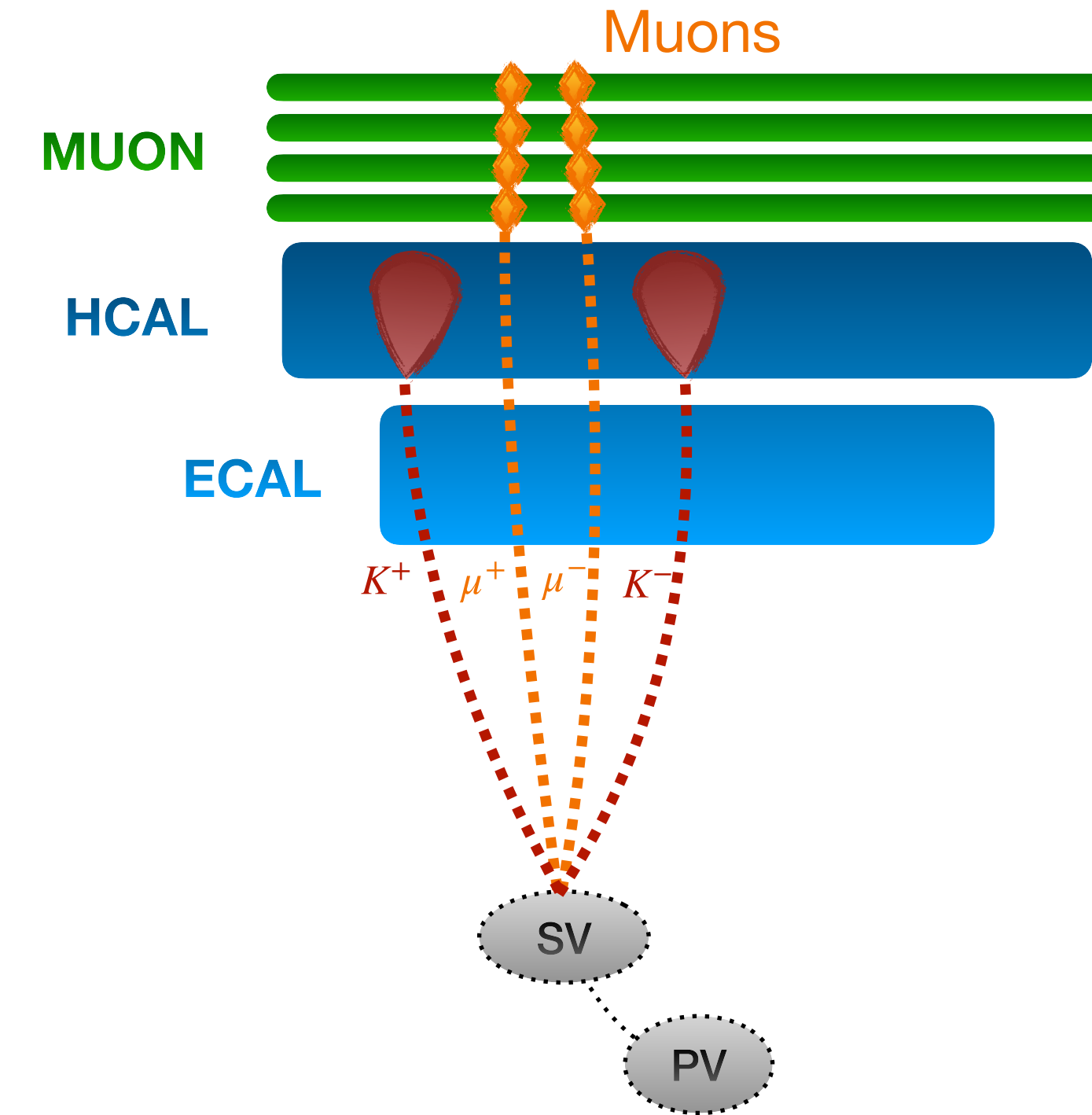
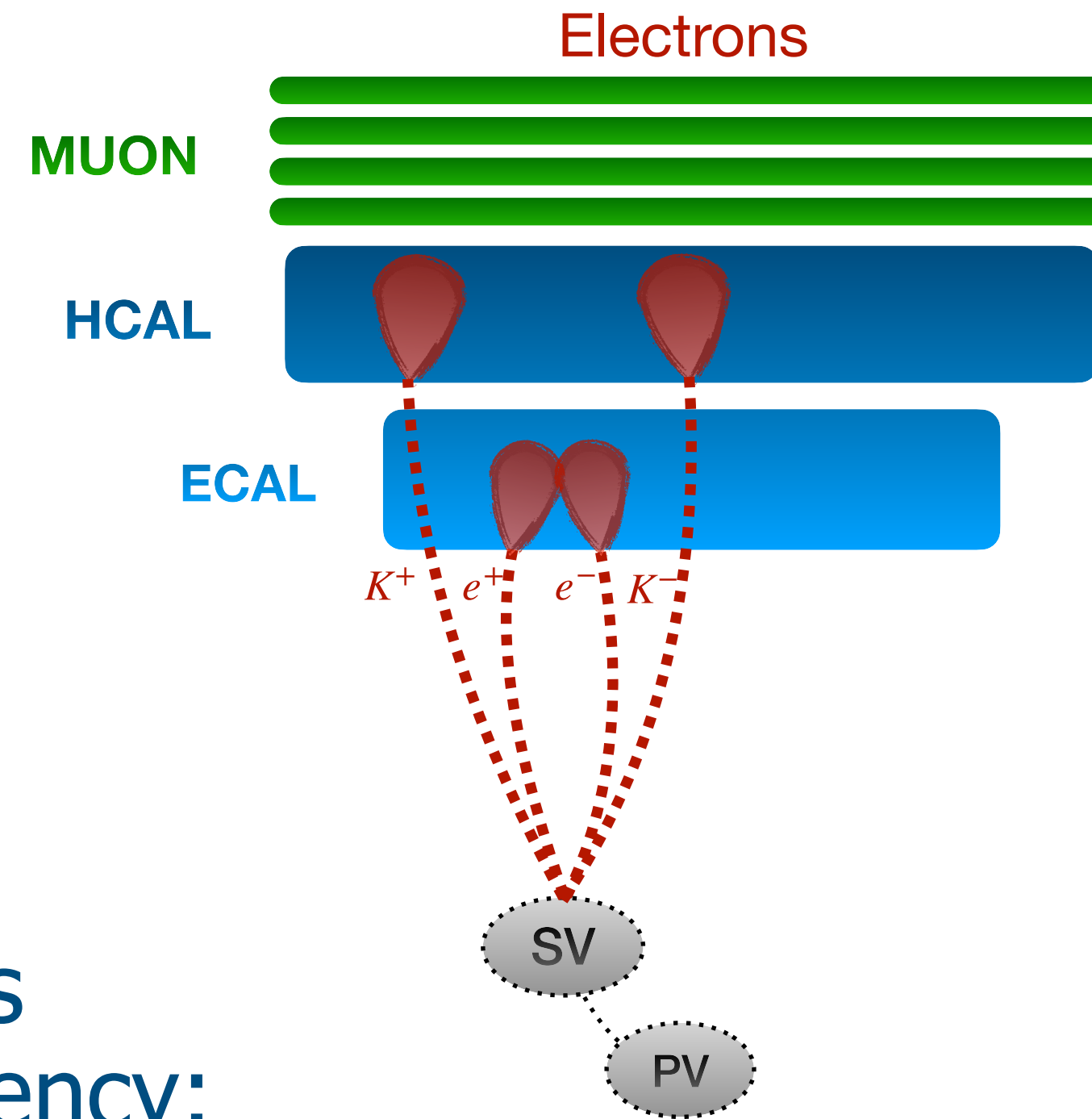
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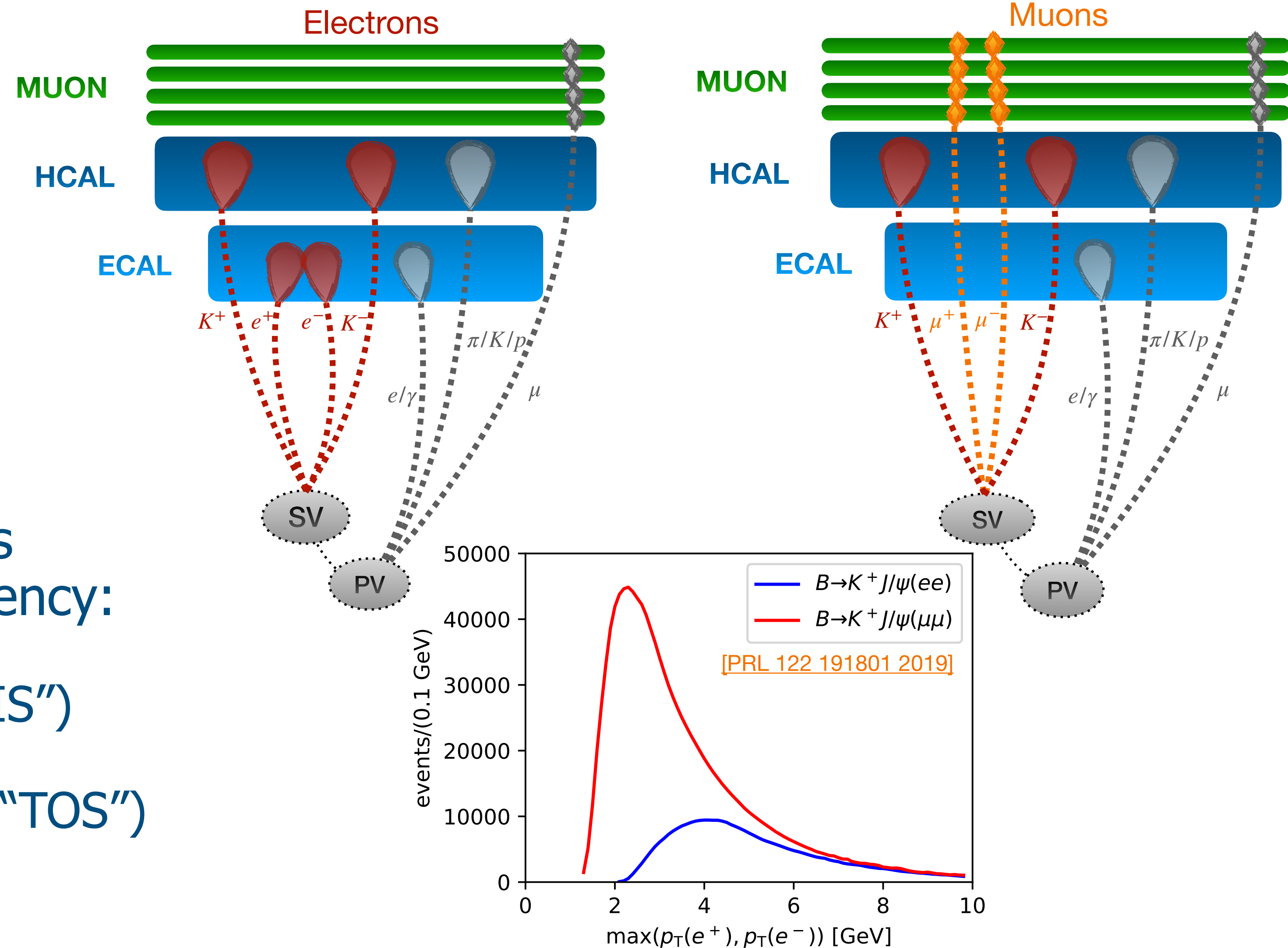
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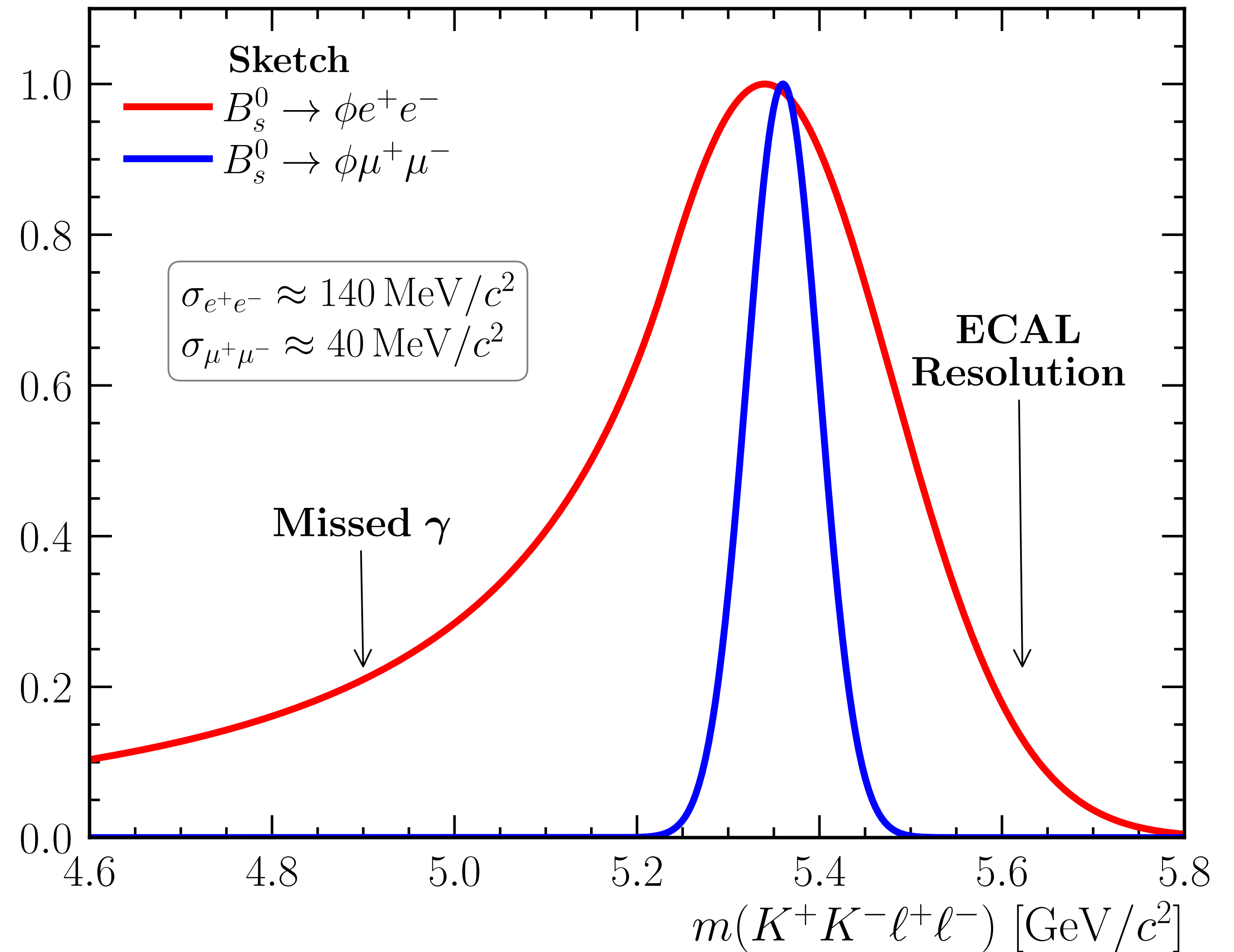
- Thresholds **lower for muons** compared to electrons
  - Muons:  $p_T > 1.5 - 1.8 \text{ GeV}/c$
  - Electrons:  $E_T > 2.5 - 3.0 \text{ GeV}$
- Combine different trigger categories to **maximise** electron trigger efficiency:
  1. Trigger independent of signal ("TIS")
  2. Trigger on signal lepton from  $B_s^0$  ("TOS")





# BREMSSTRAHLUNG

- Expect **on average one bremsstrahlung** photon emitted upstream of the magnet
- Corrected using **bremsstrahlung recovery**
  - $\mathcal{O}(50\%)$  efficient and **well modelled** in simulation
- Momentum resolution deteriorated
  - Wider fit range required
  - Higher background pollution

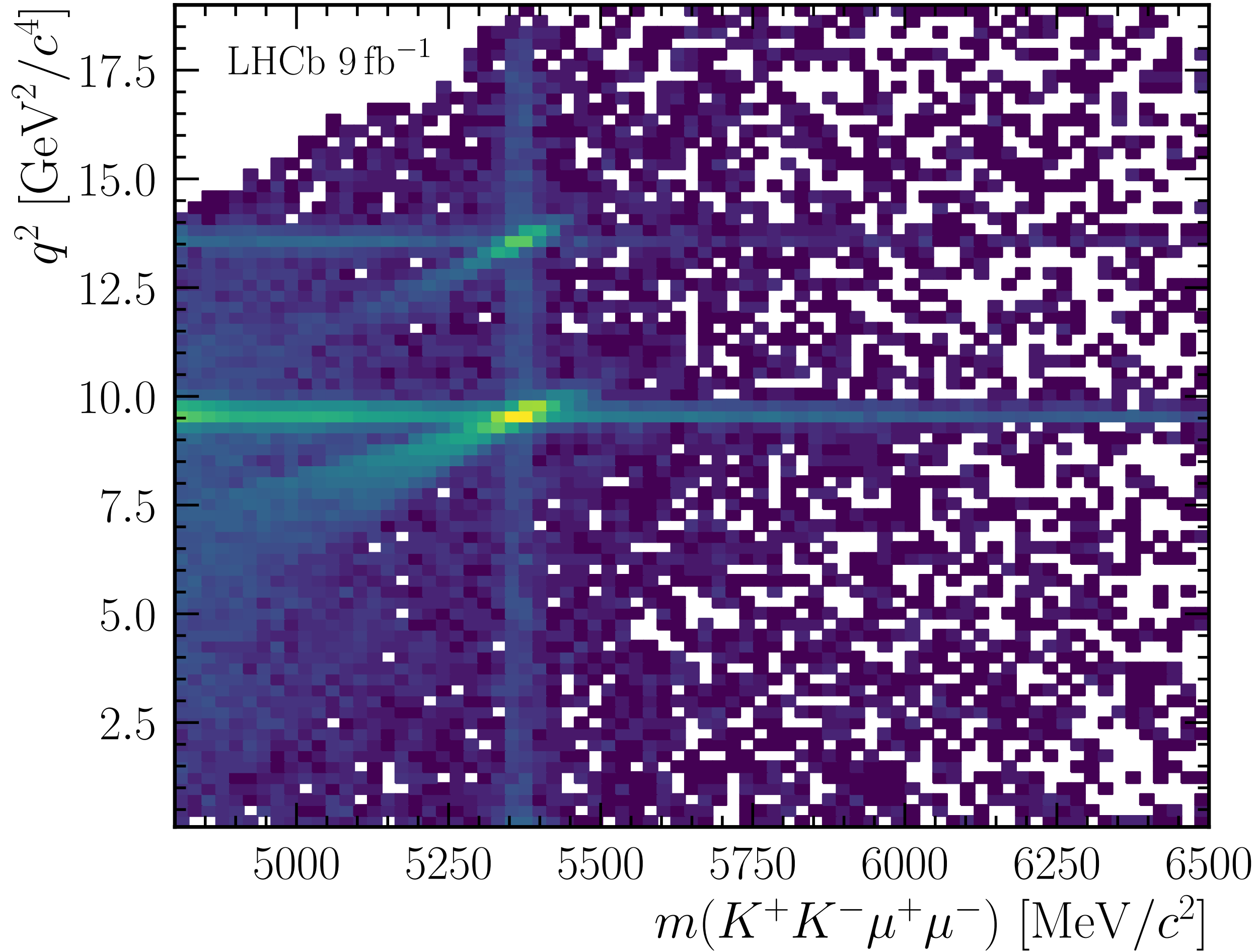




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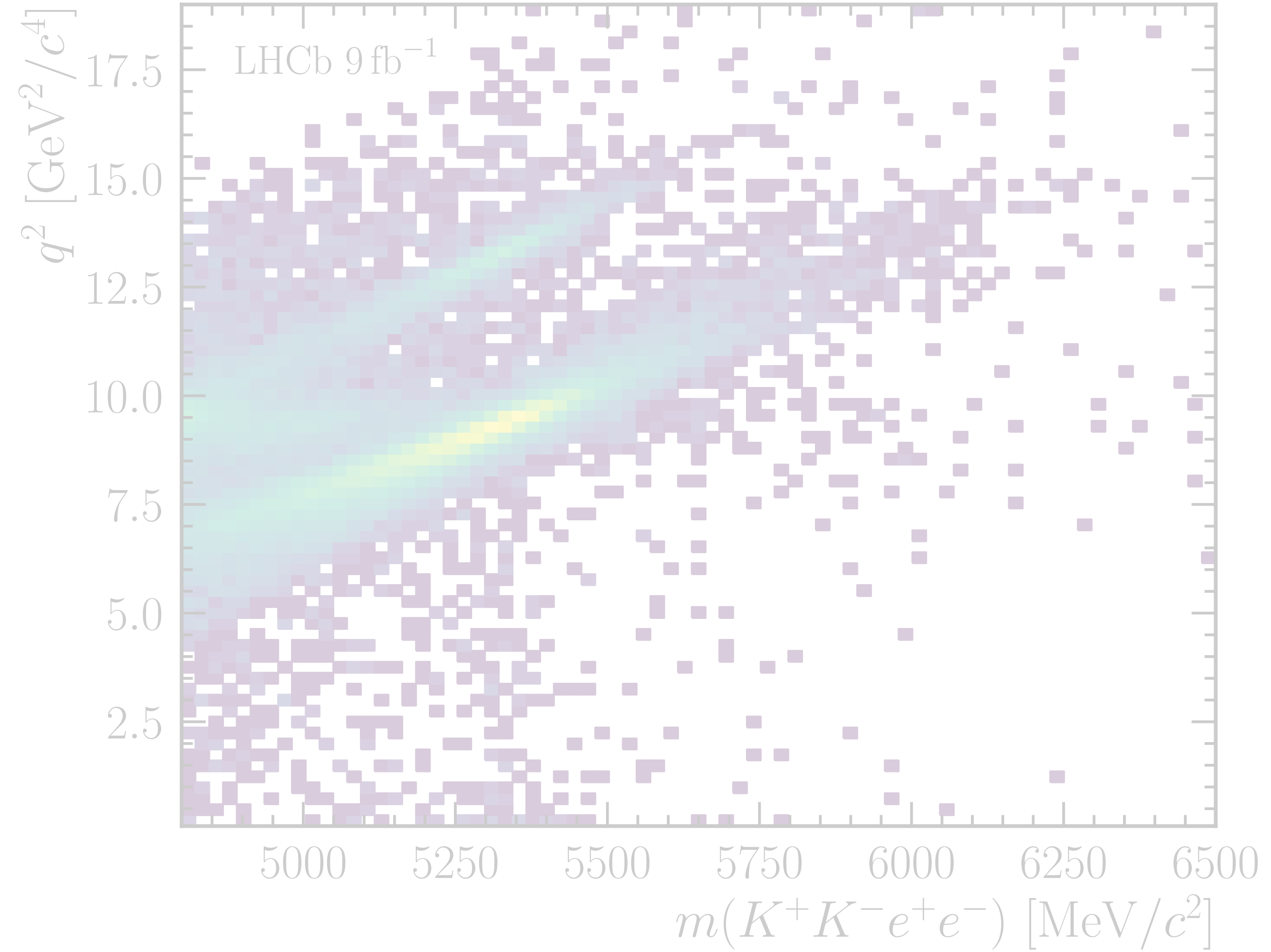
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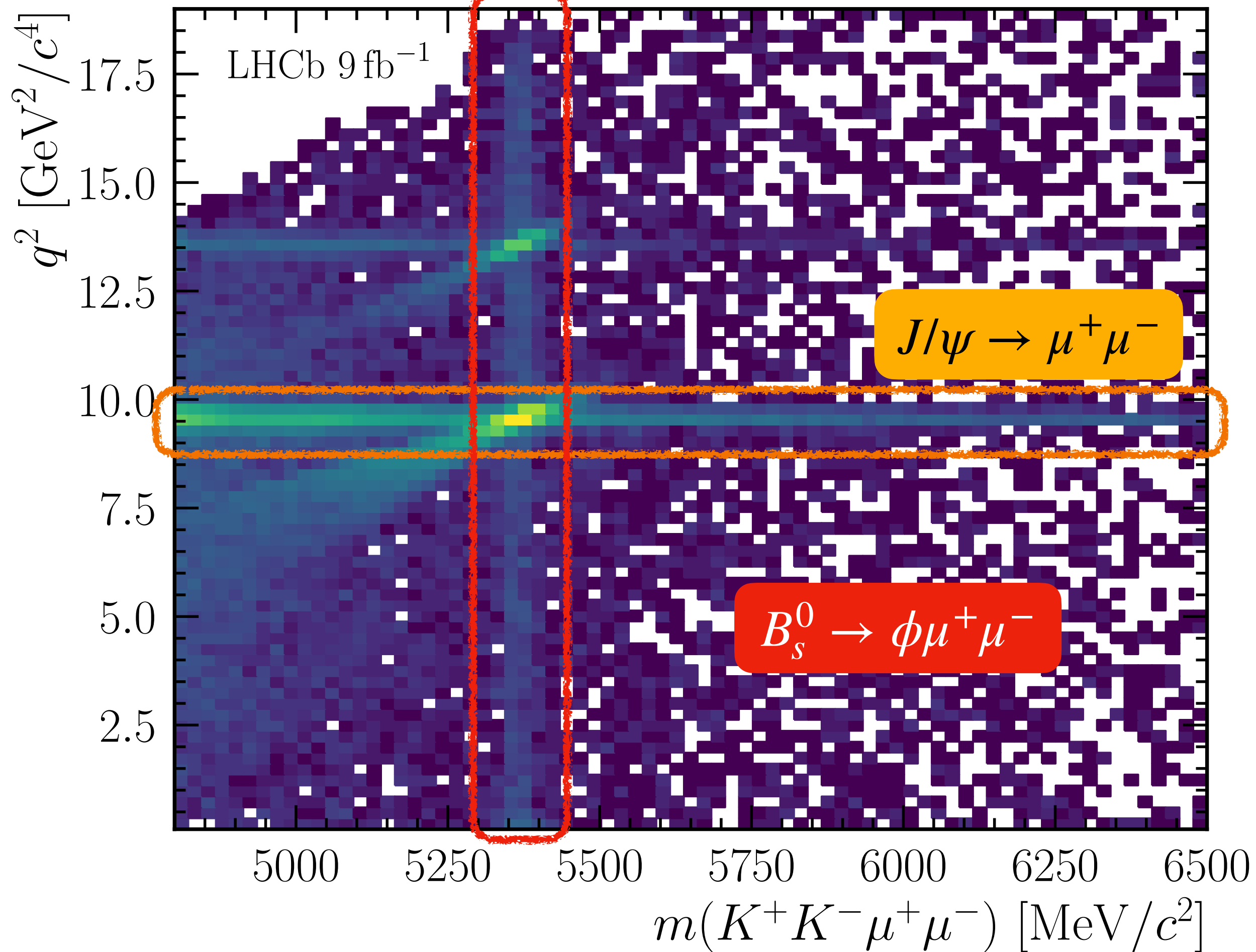




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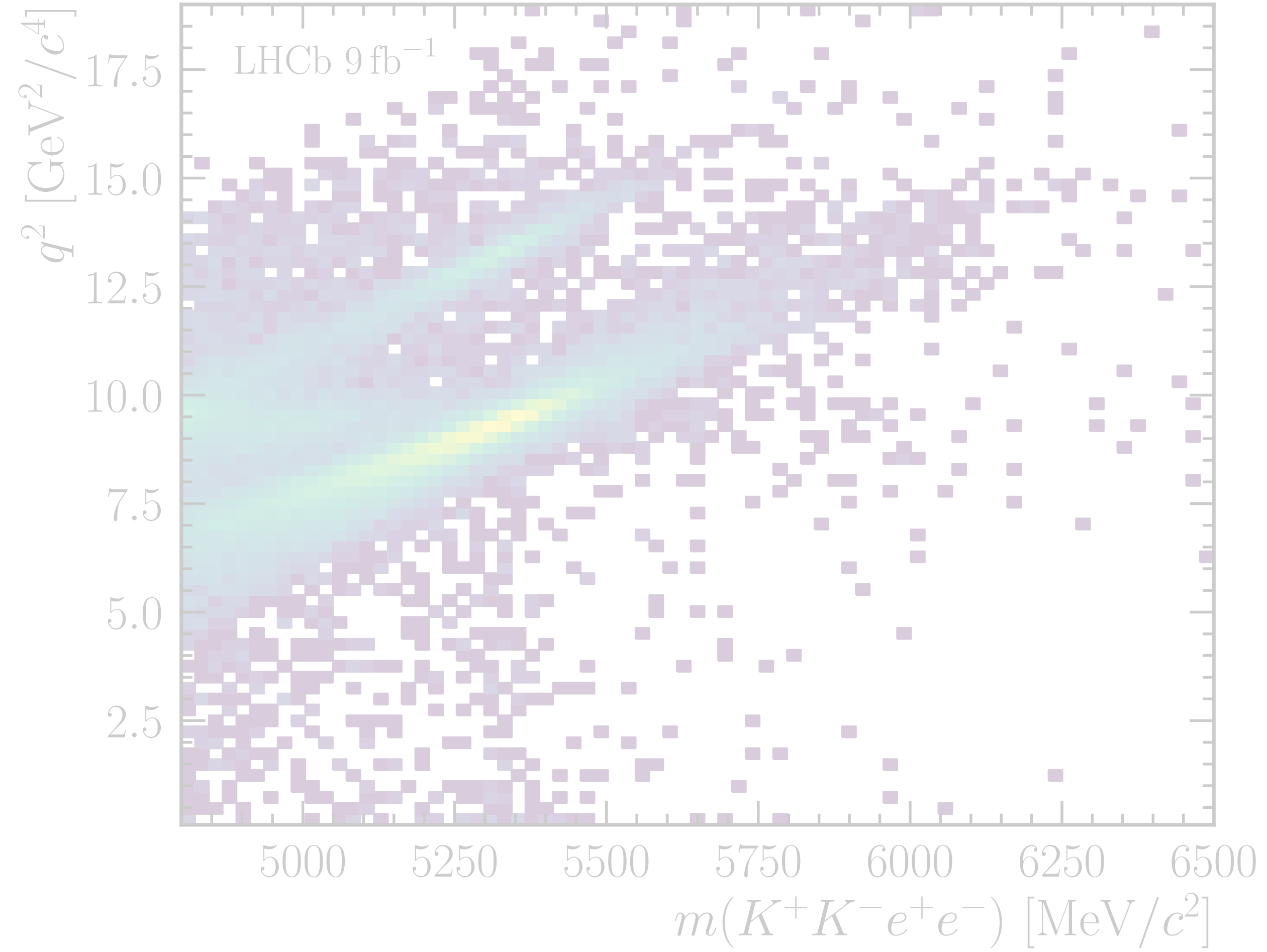
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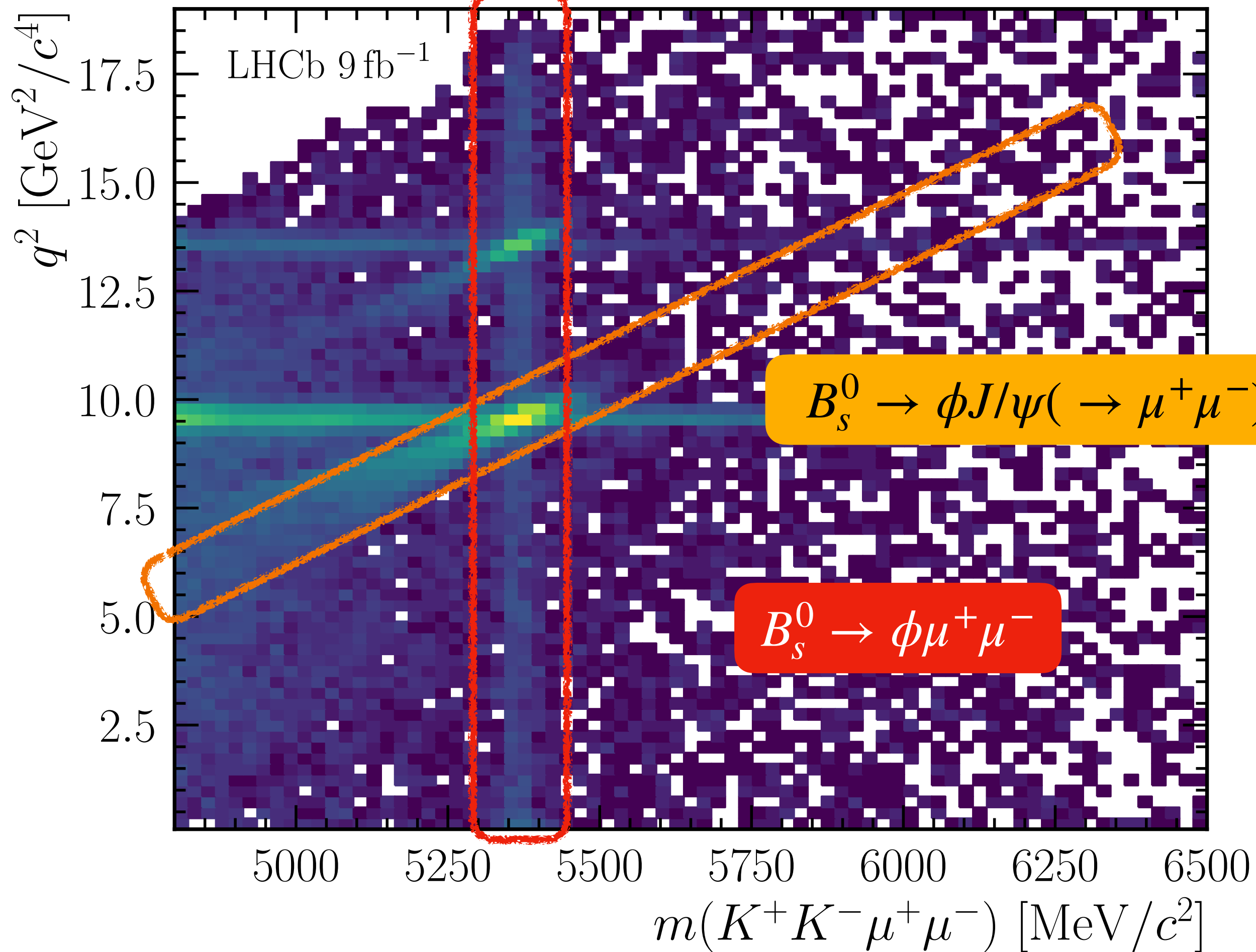




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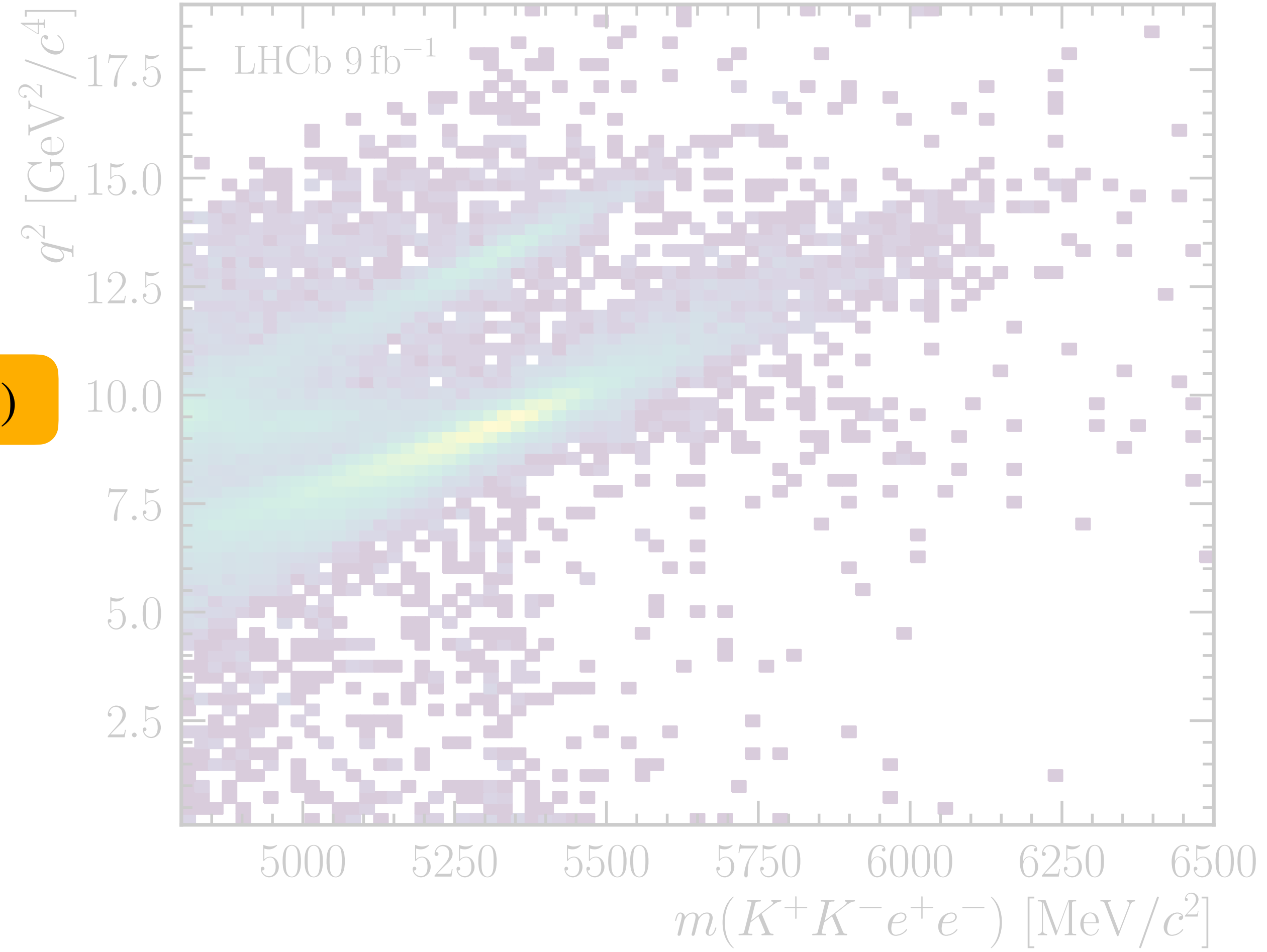
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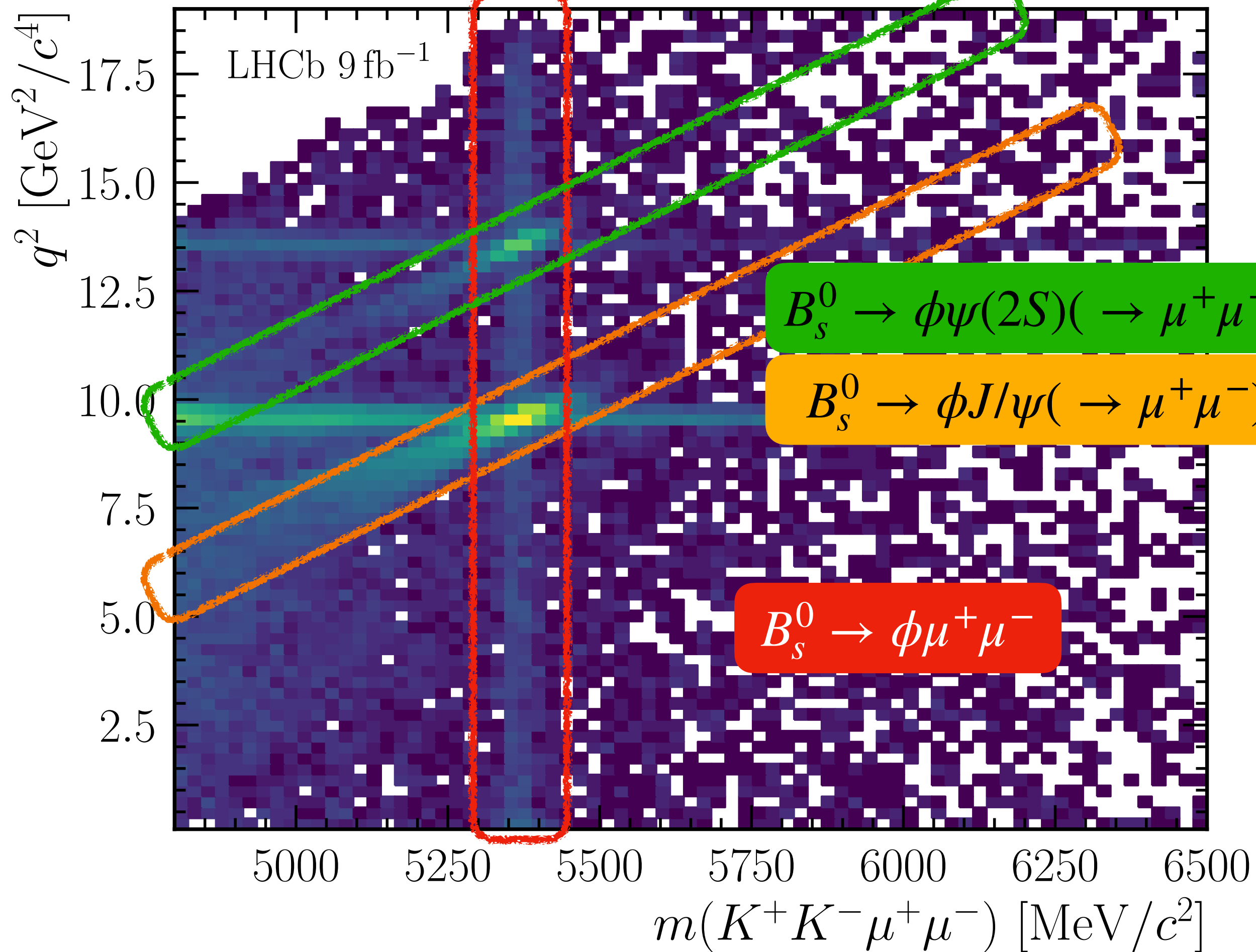




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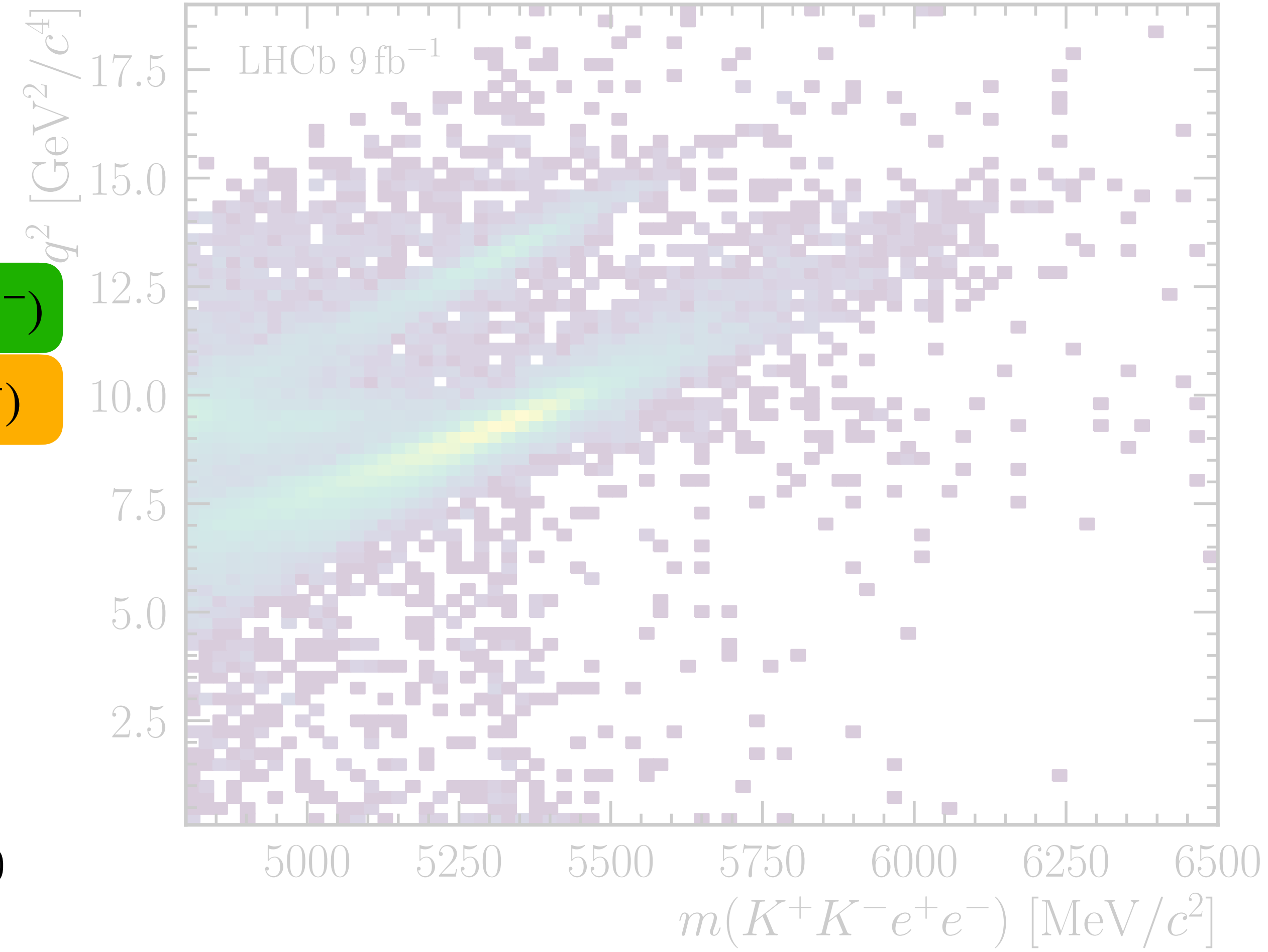
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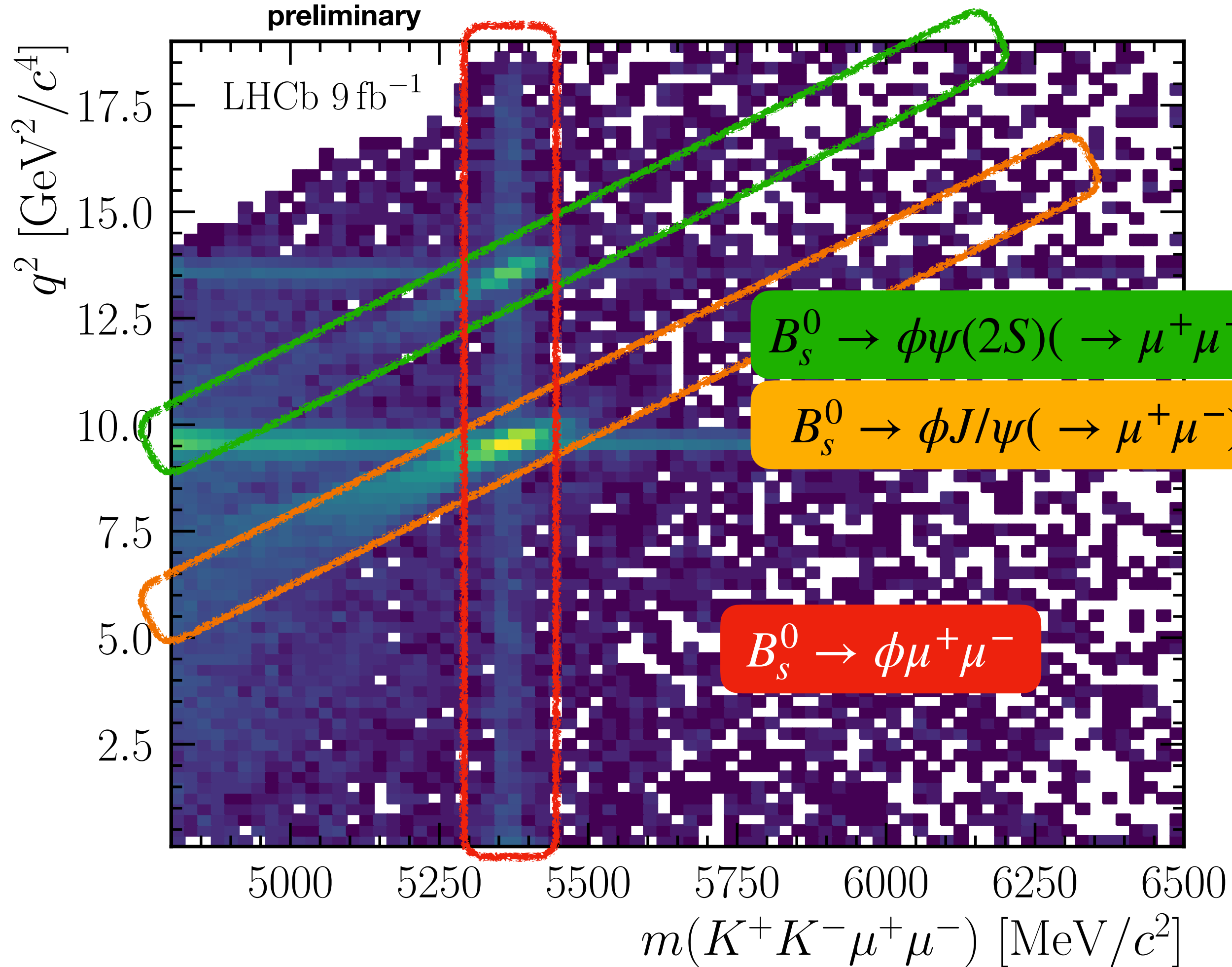




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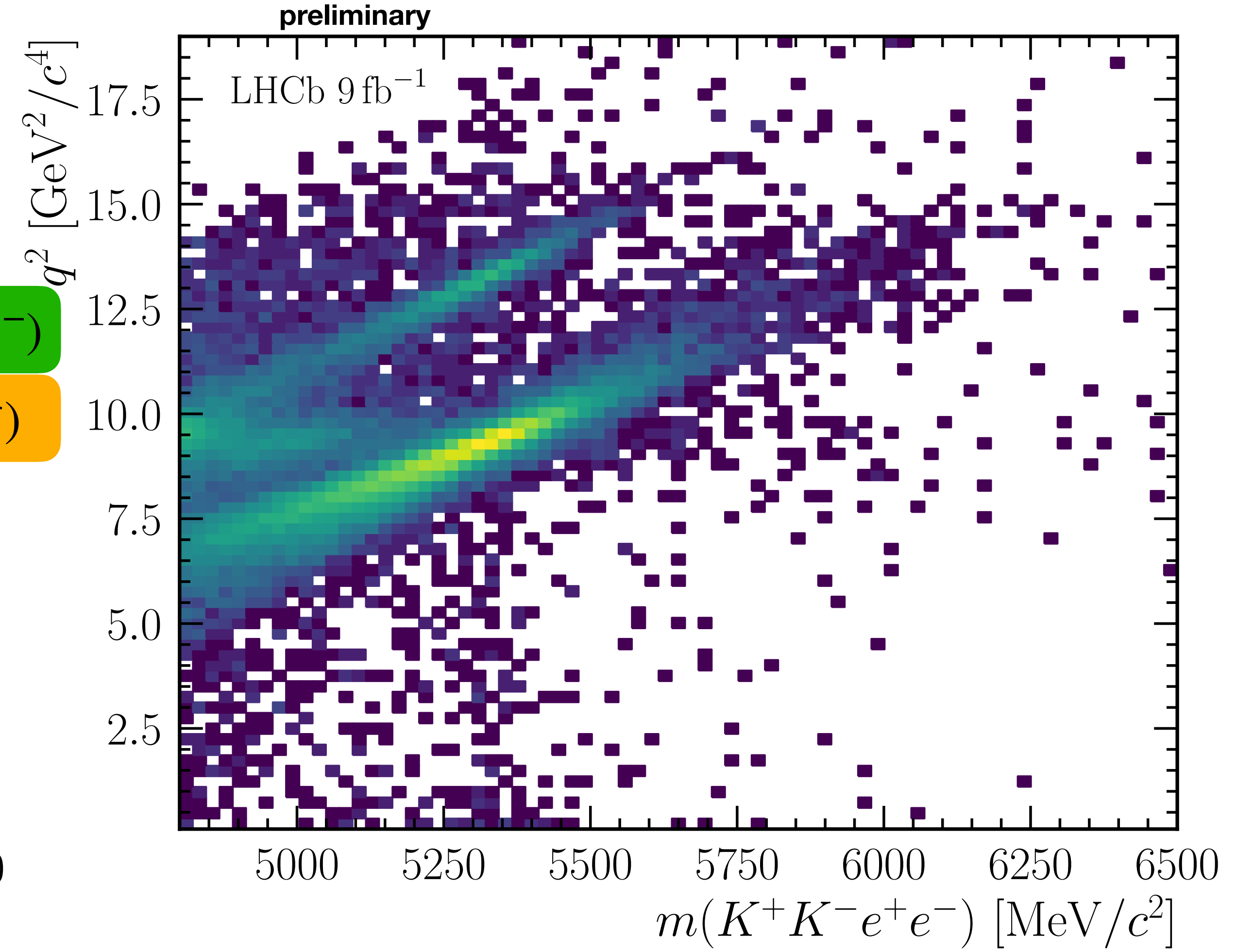
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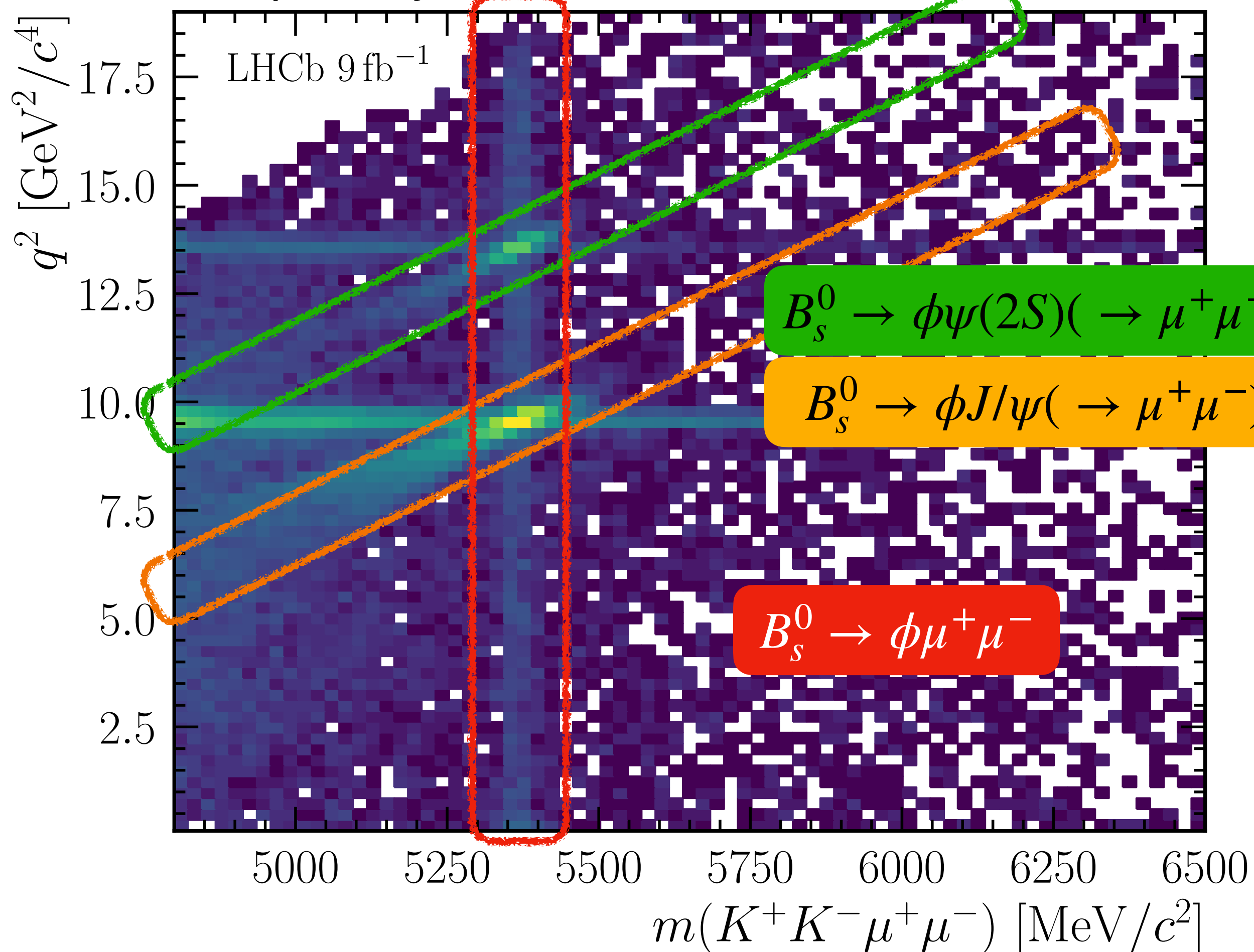




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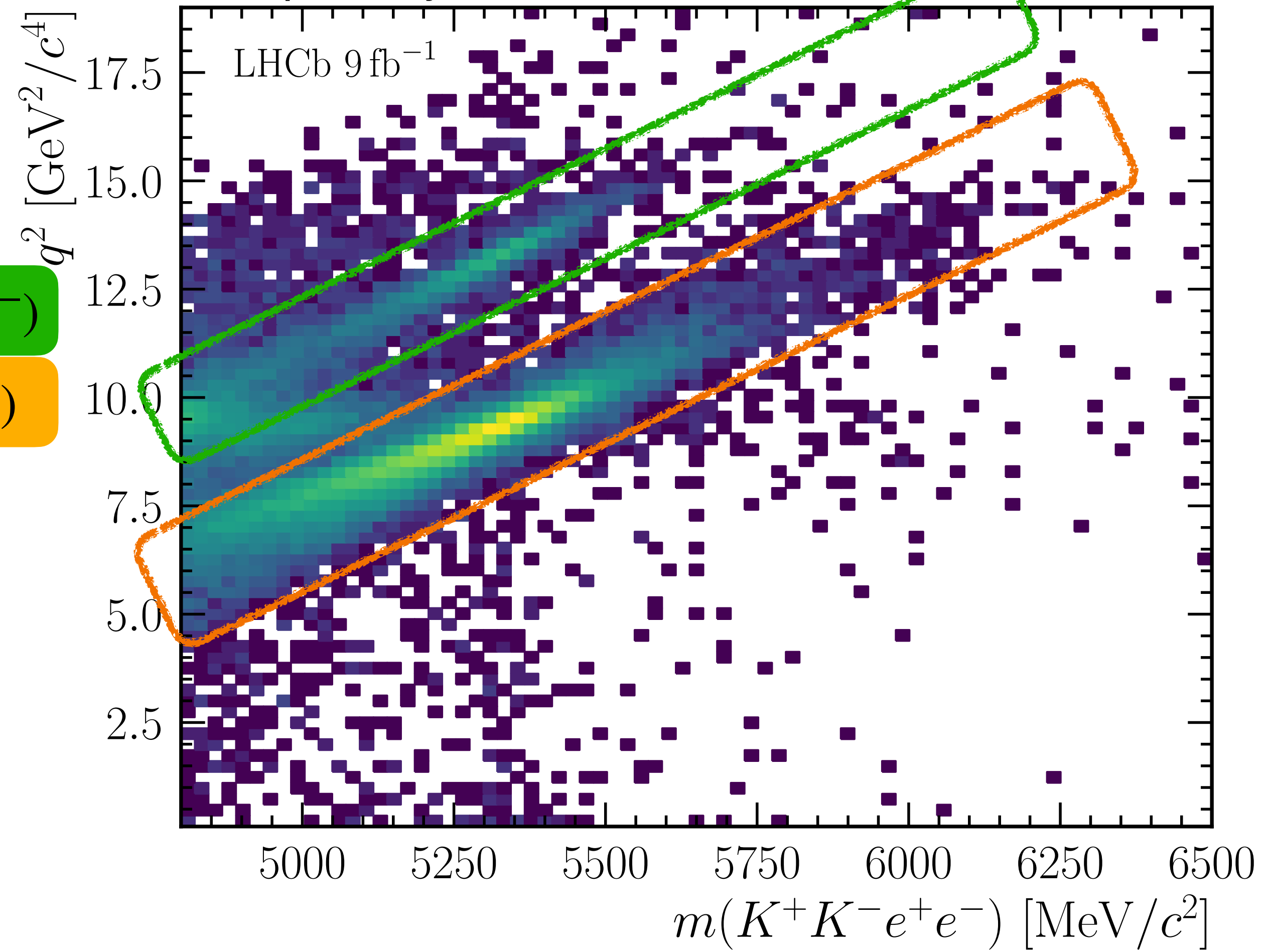
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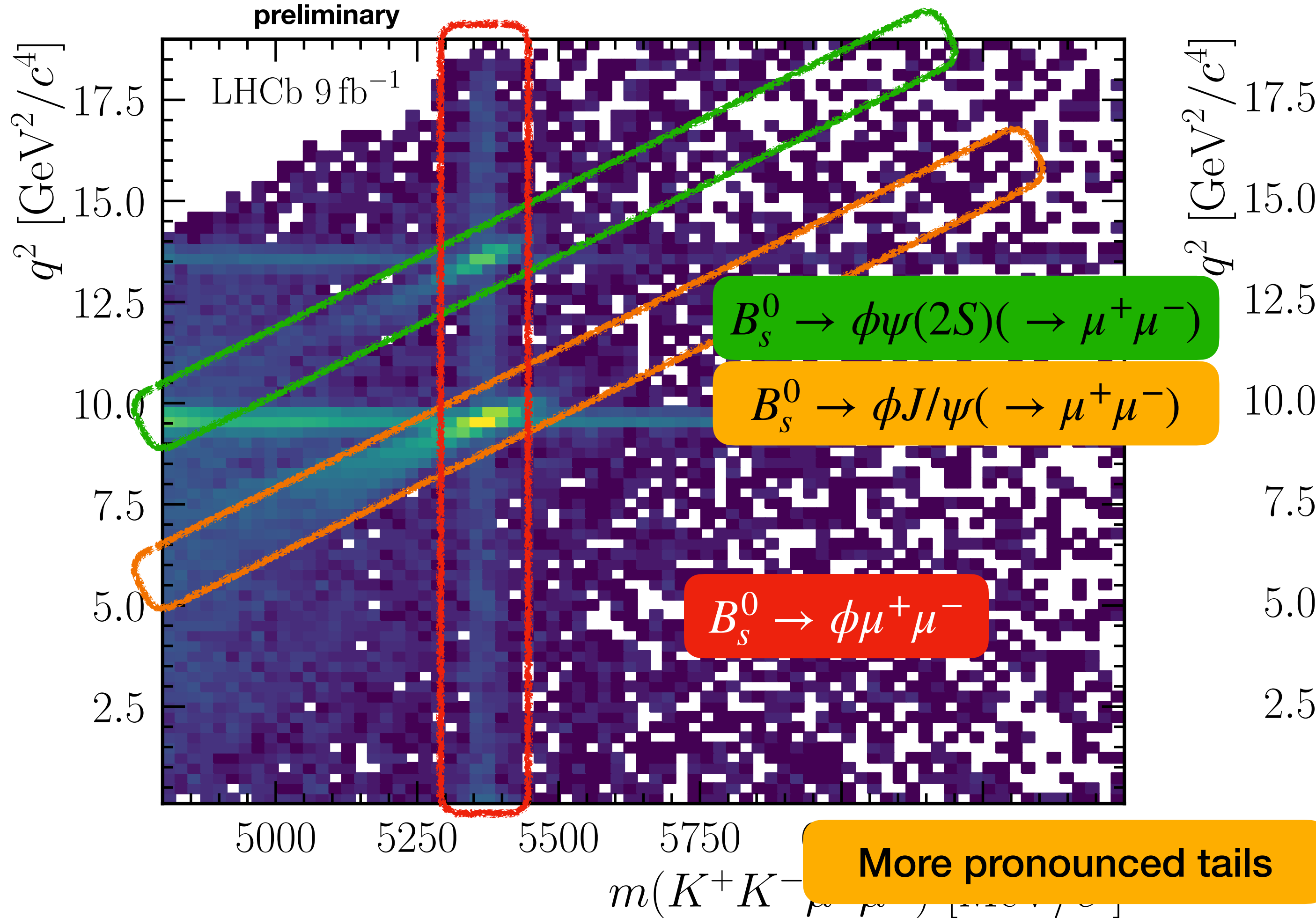




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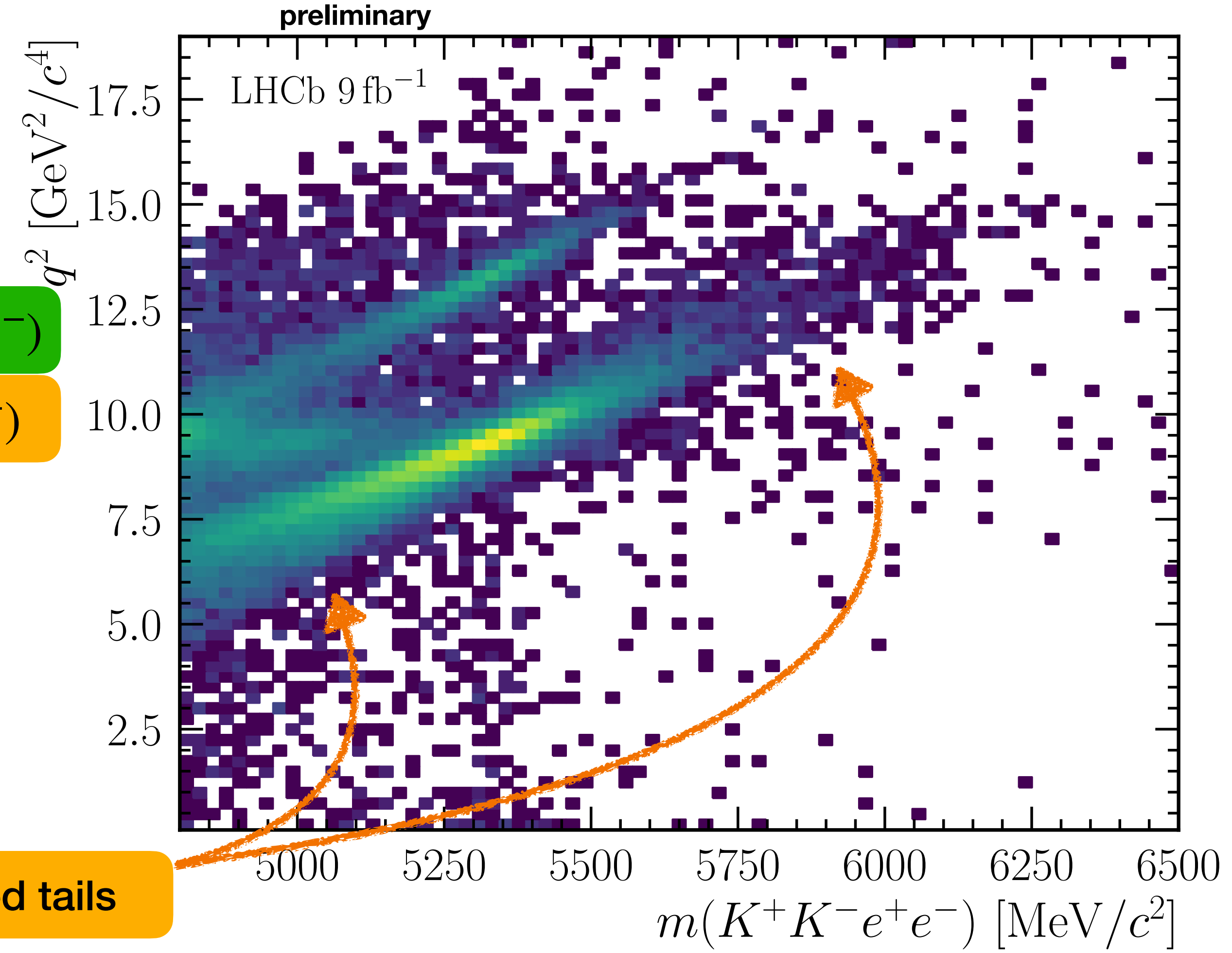
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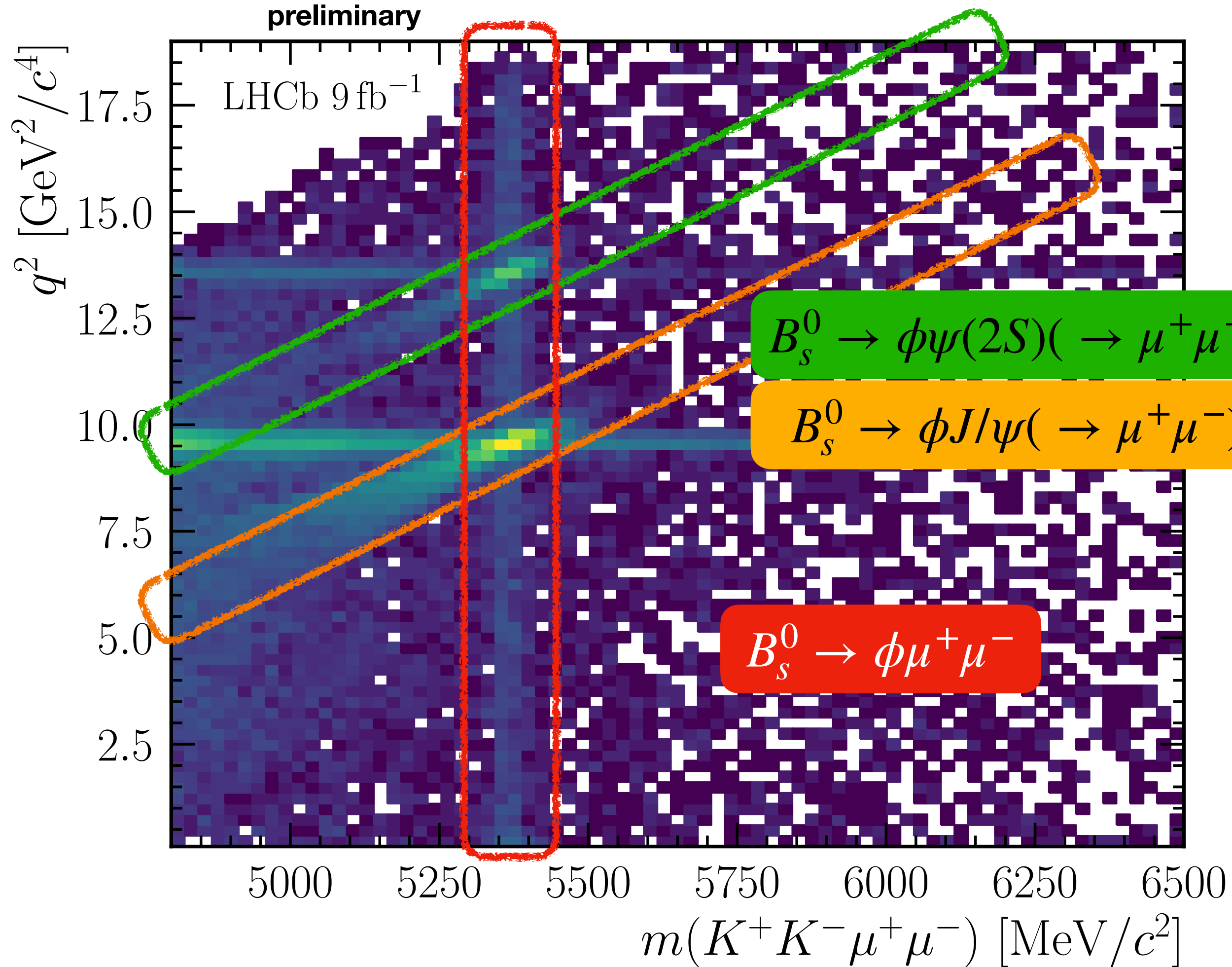




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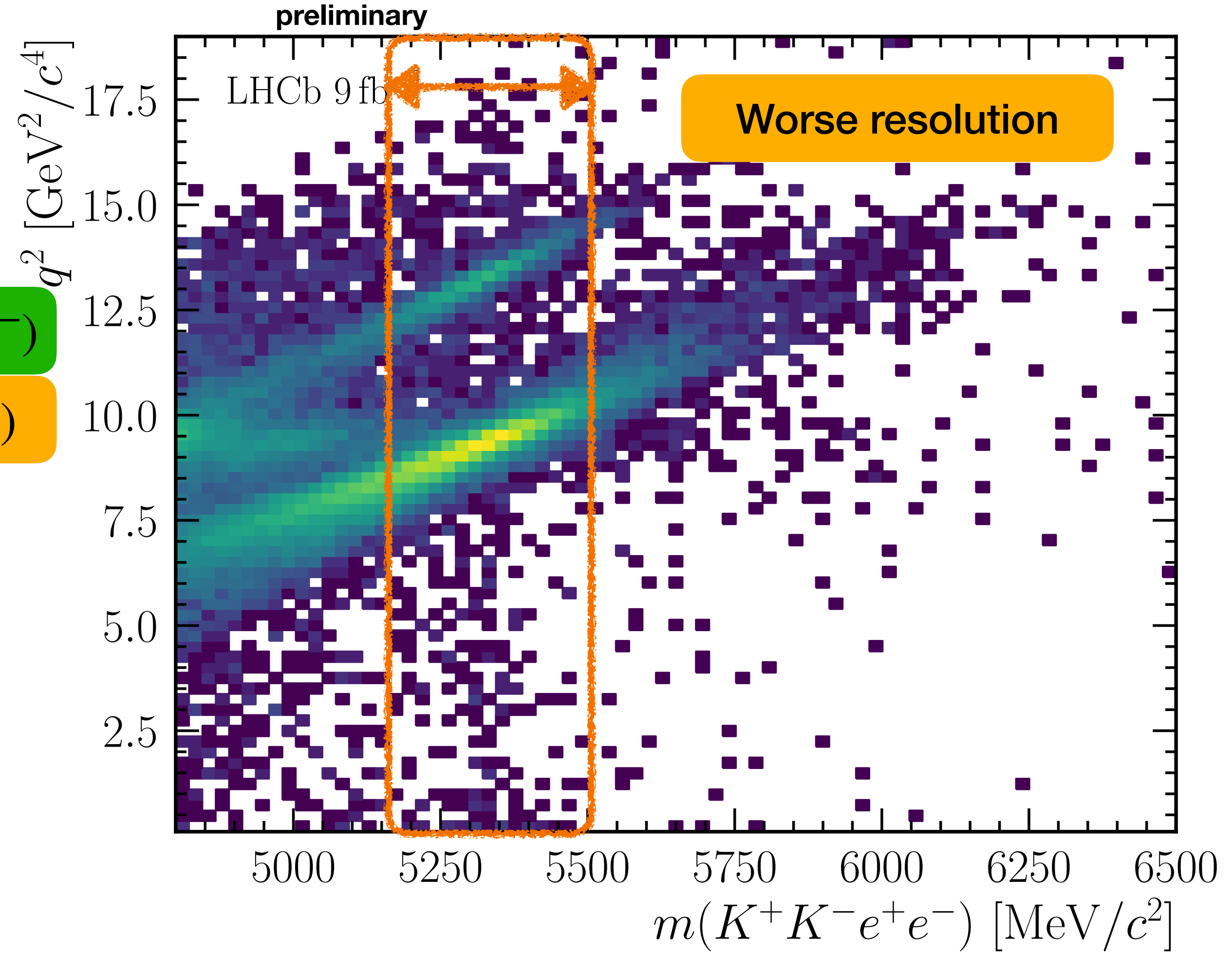
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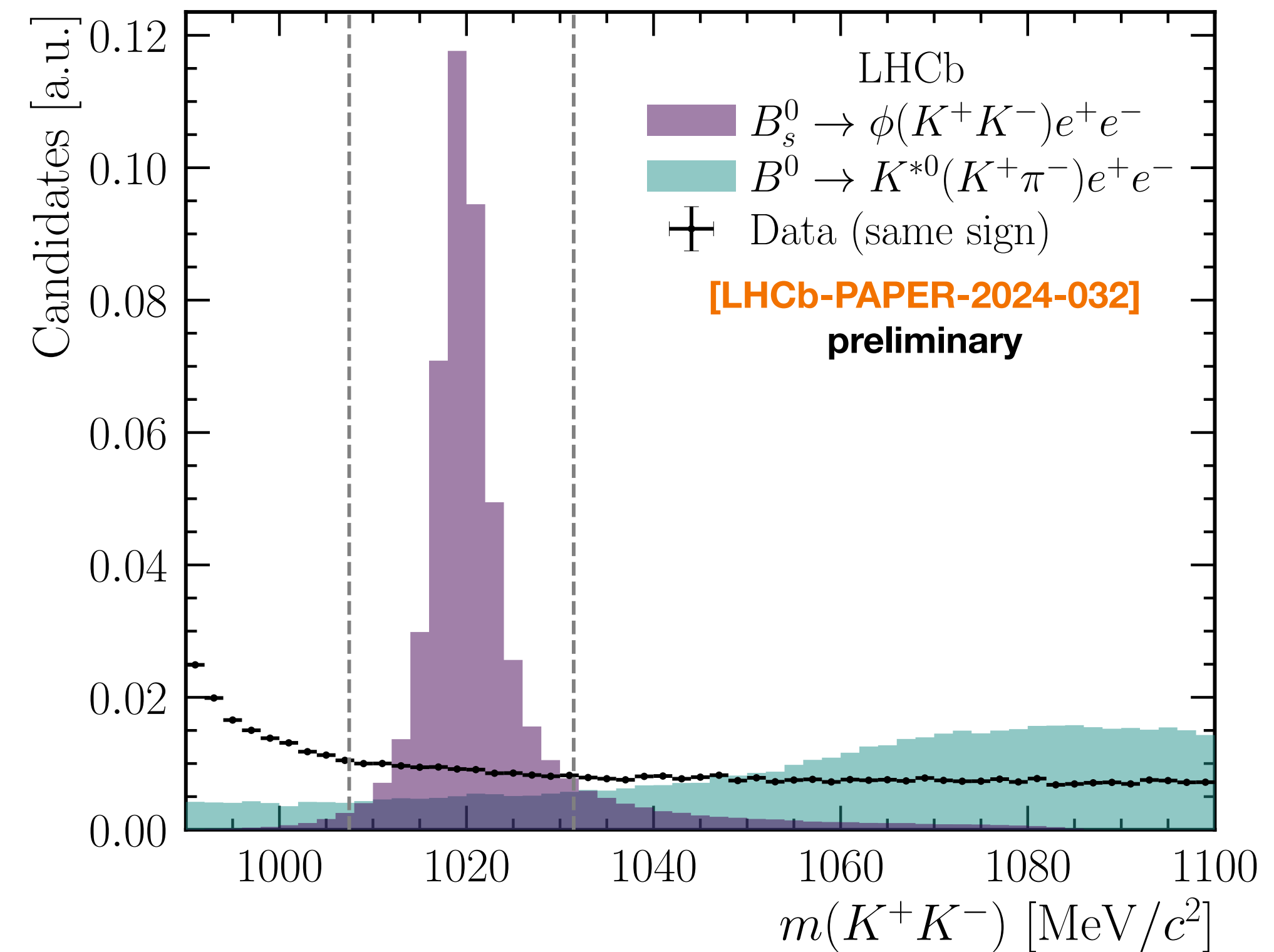
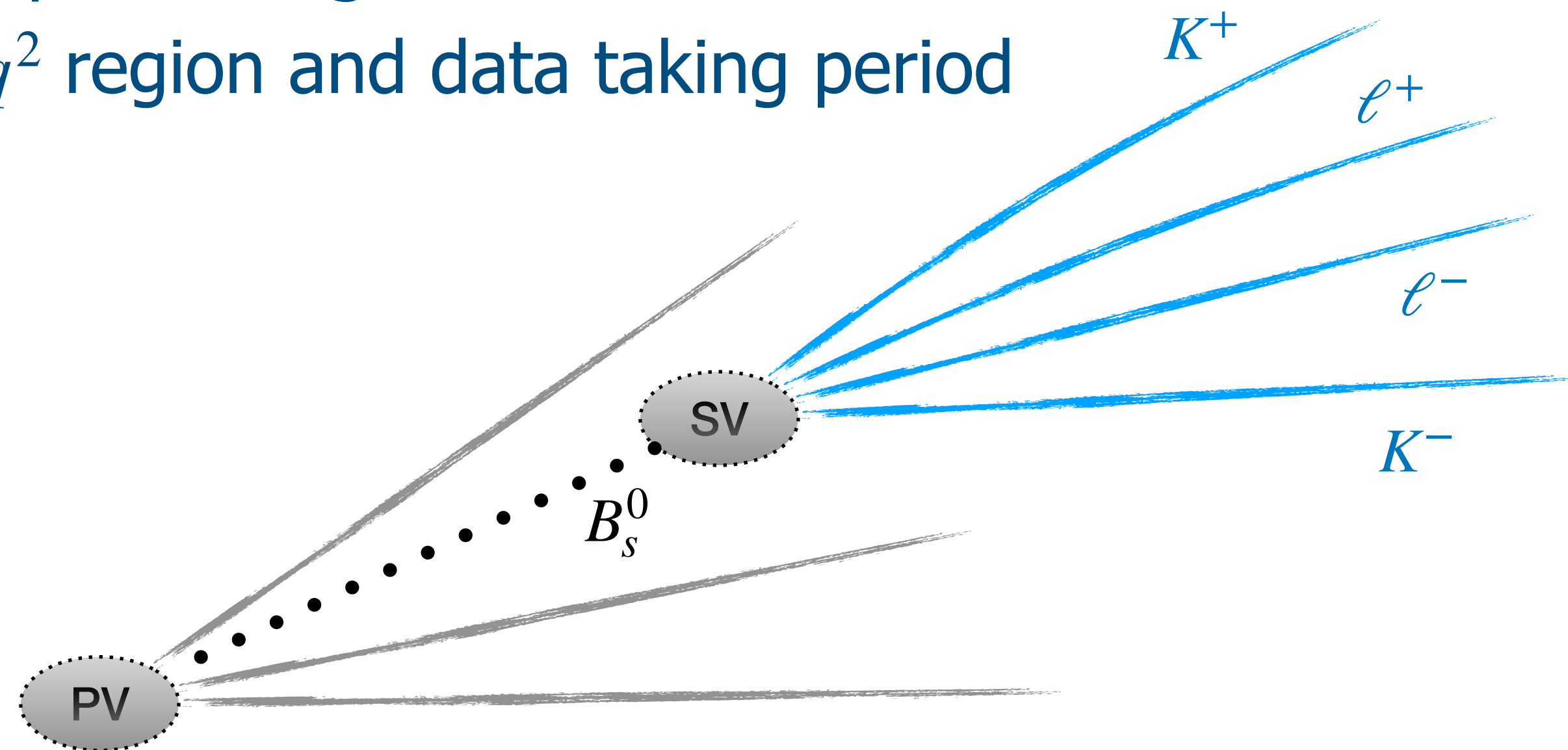
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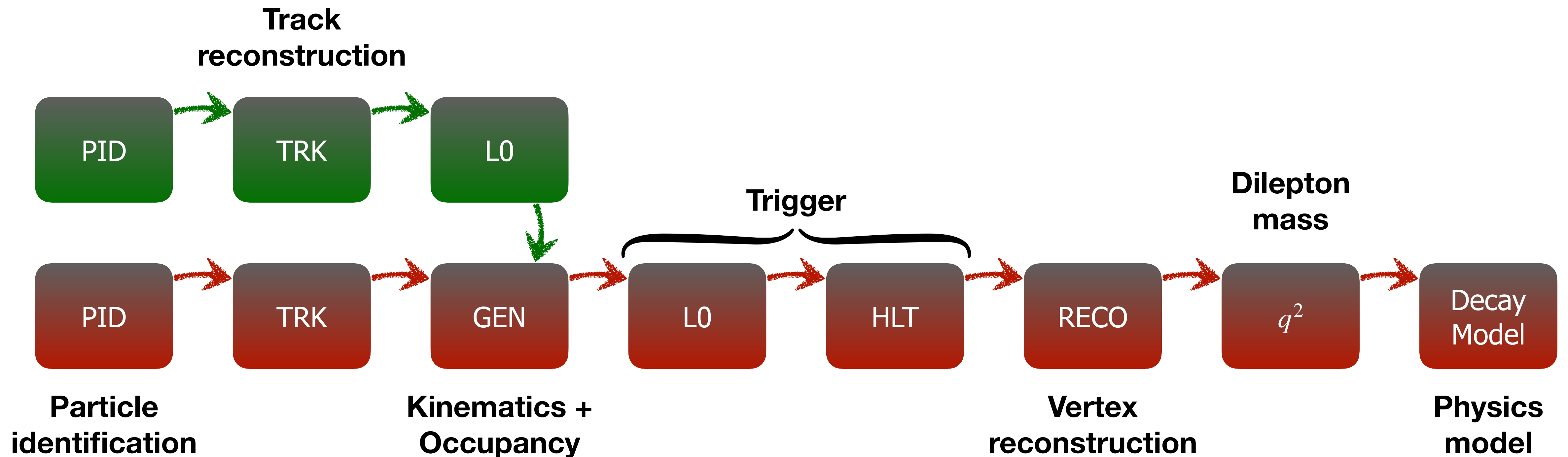
- Leverage **narrow  $\phi$  resonance** and excellent  $K^+K^-$  mass resolution
- Require displaced secondary decay vertices
- **Multivariate classifiers** to suppress combinatorial background
  - Using vertex quality and kinematics
  - Optimise significance for each  $q^2$  region and data taking period





# EFFICIENCIES AND CORRECTIONS

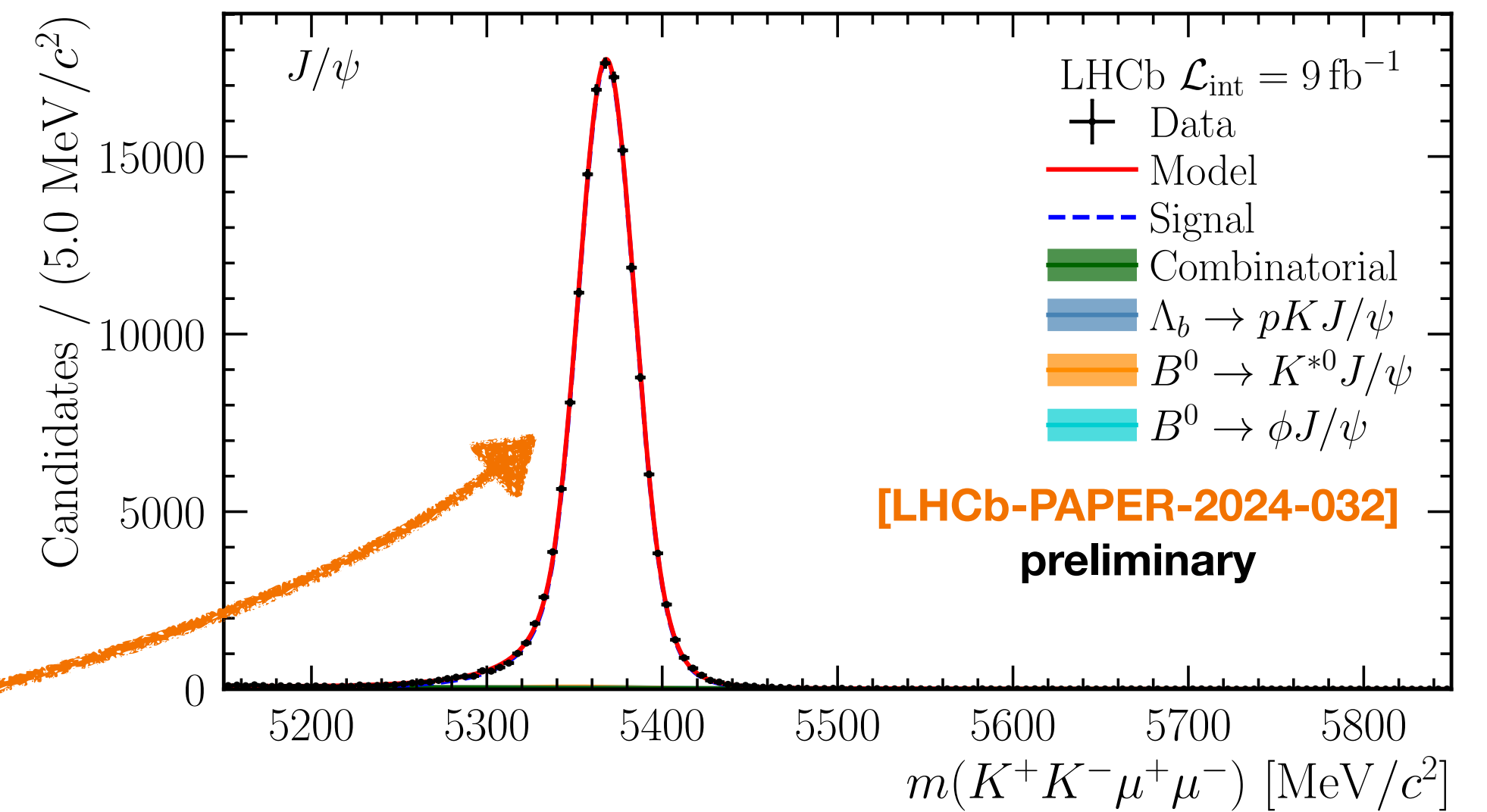
- Data driven, staged **simulation correction chain**, similar to [\[PRD 108 \(2023\) 3, 032002\]](#)
- **“Prior corrections”** to ensure kinematics corrections universally applicable





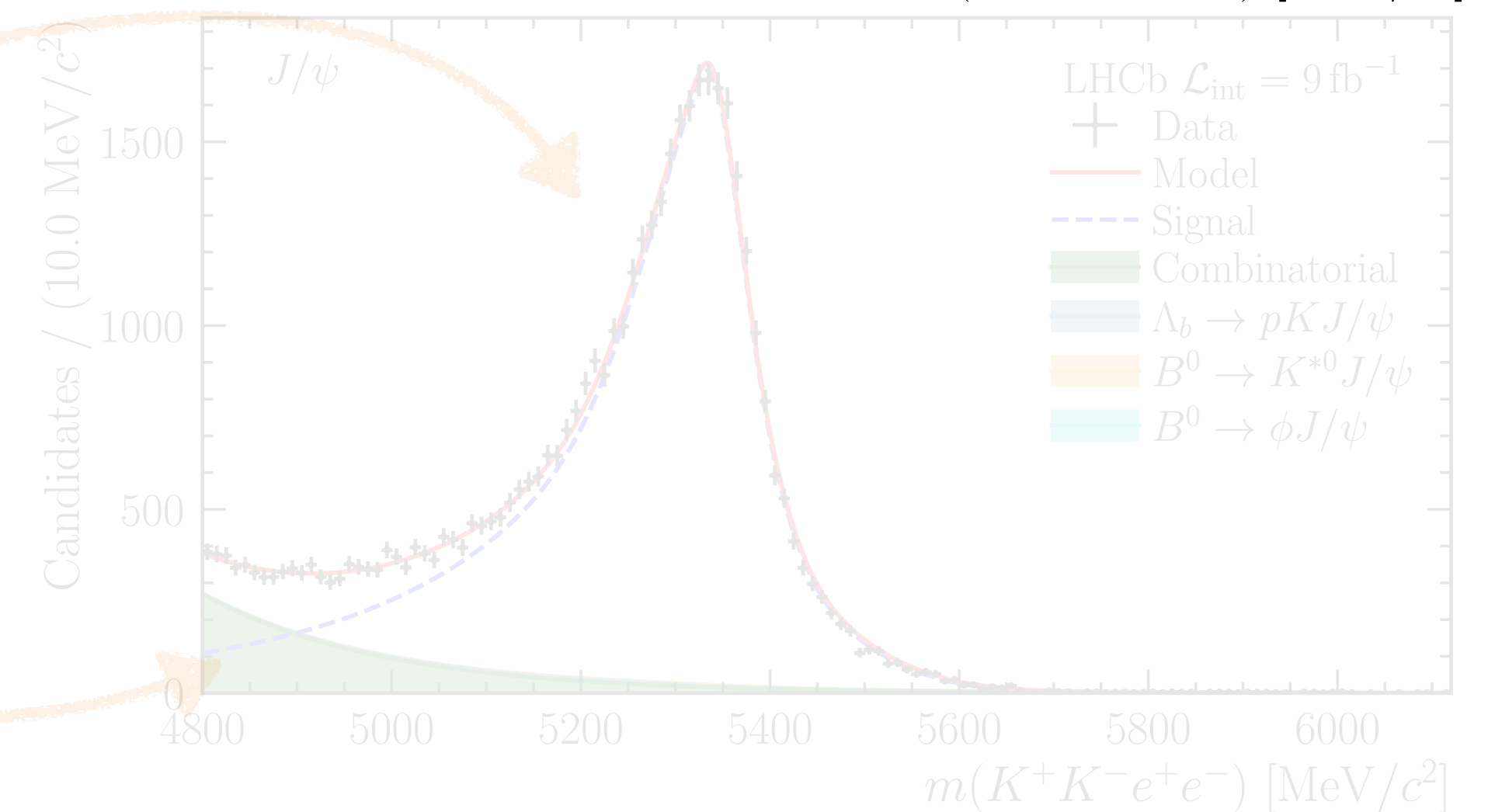
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 Negligible background levels!**

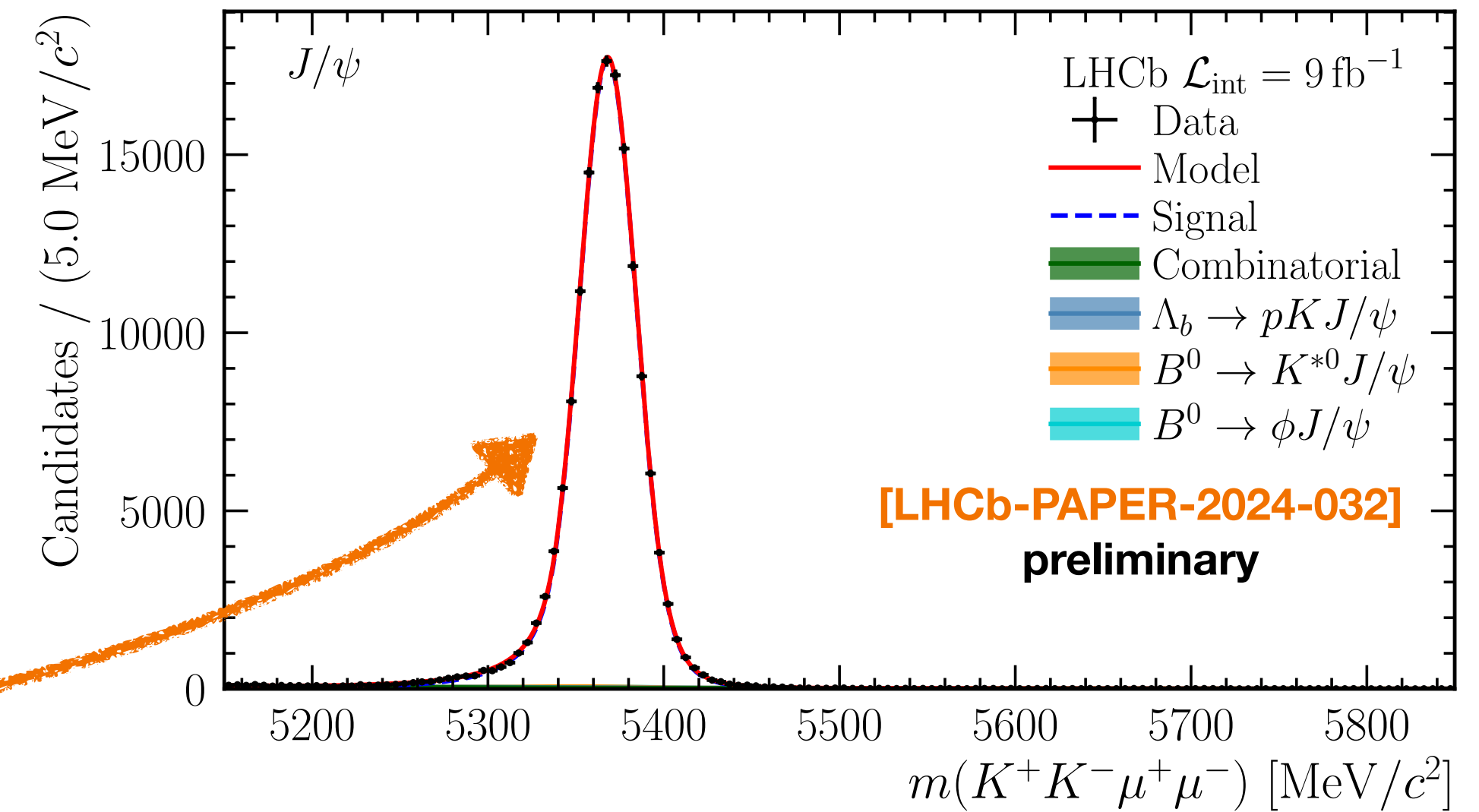
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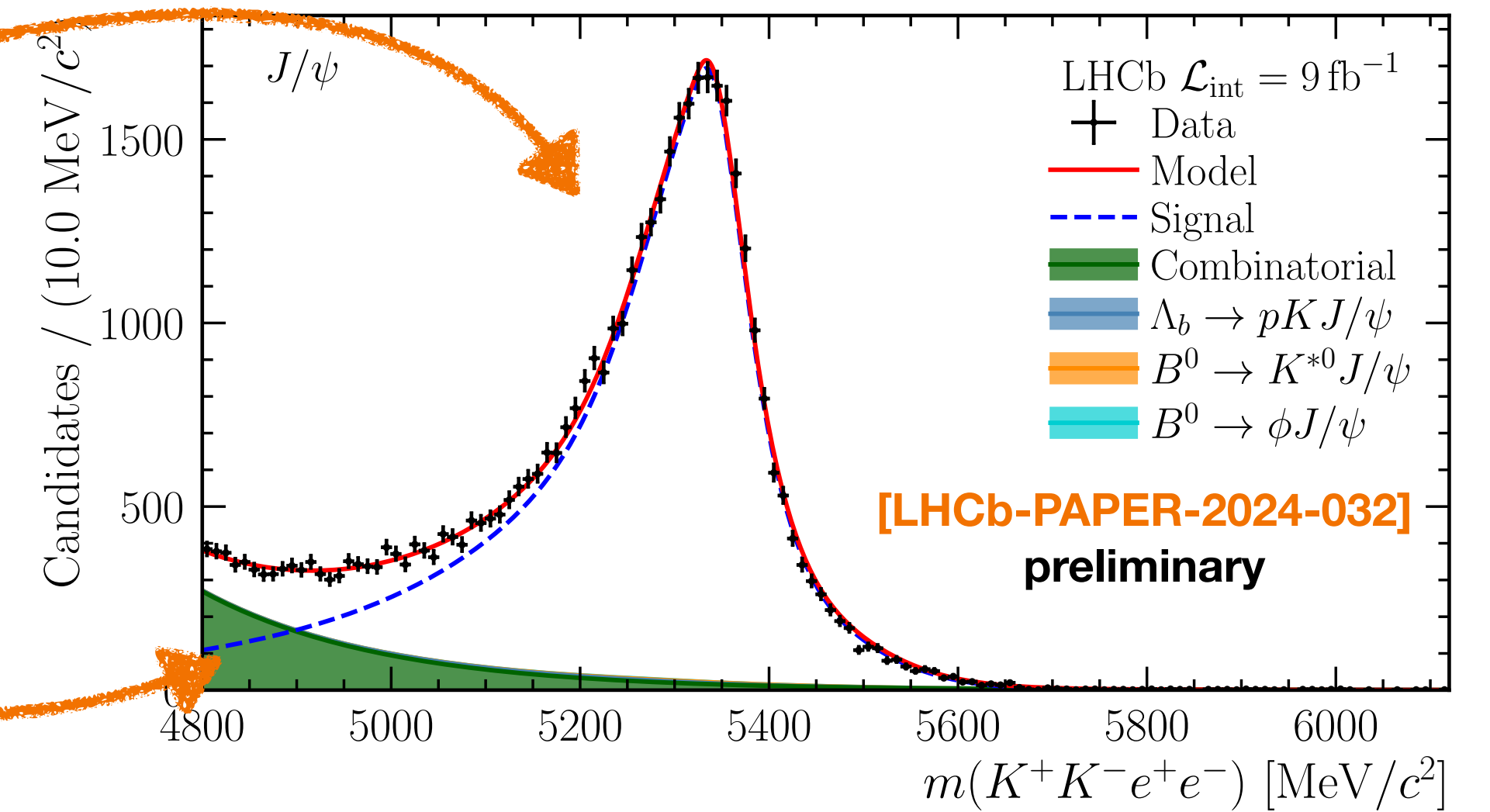
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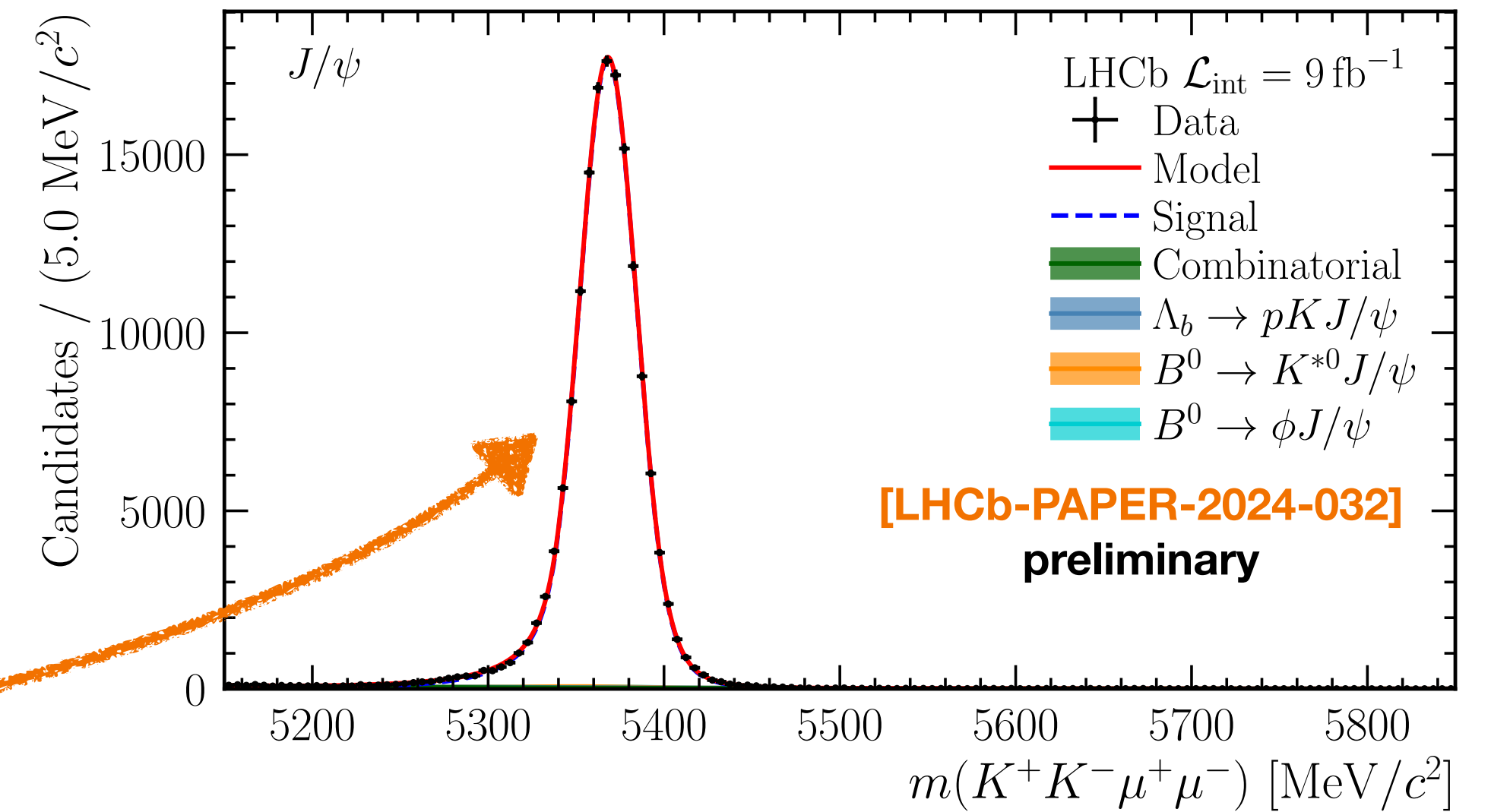




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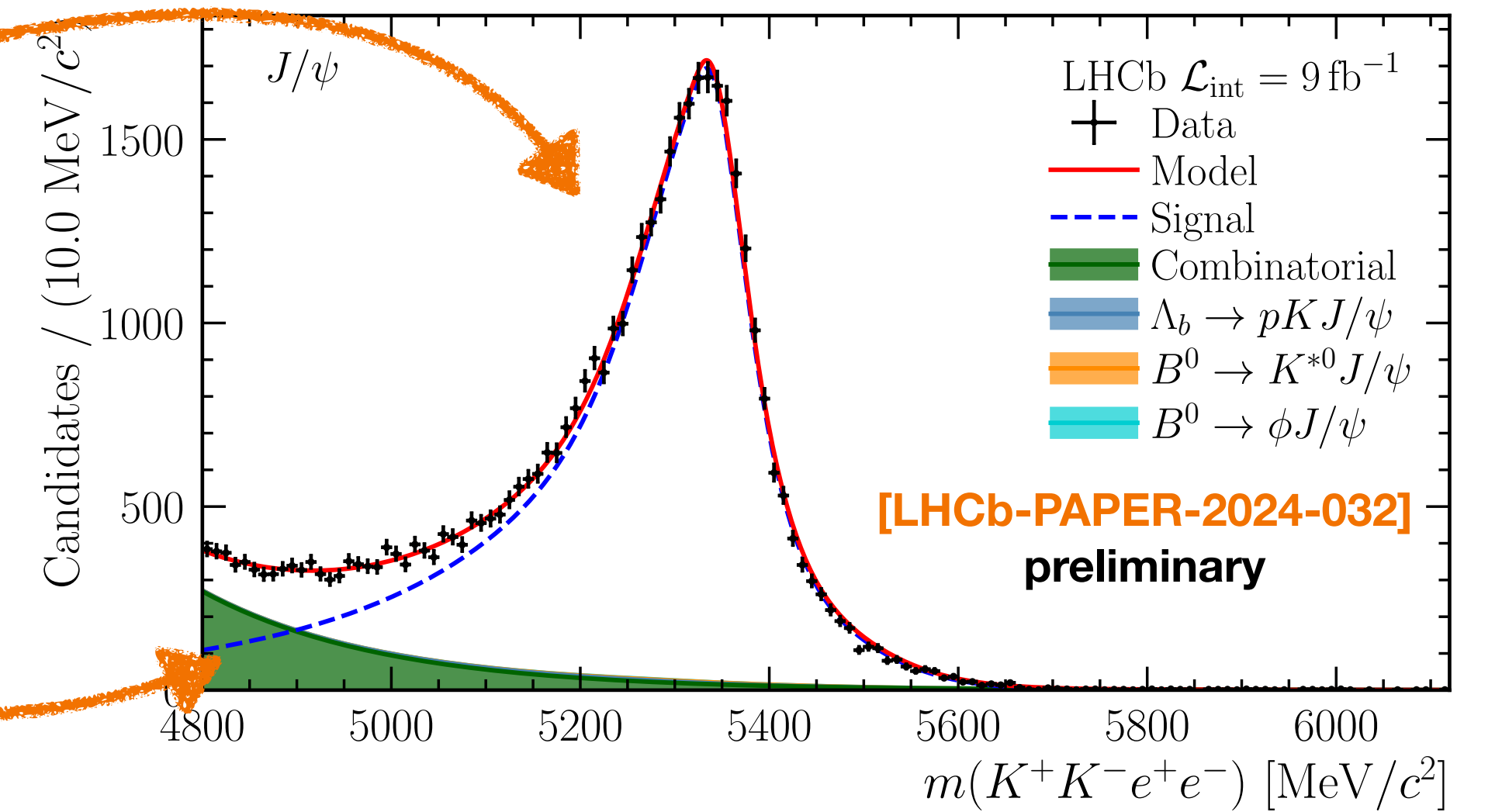
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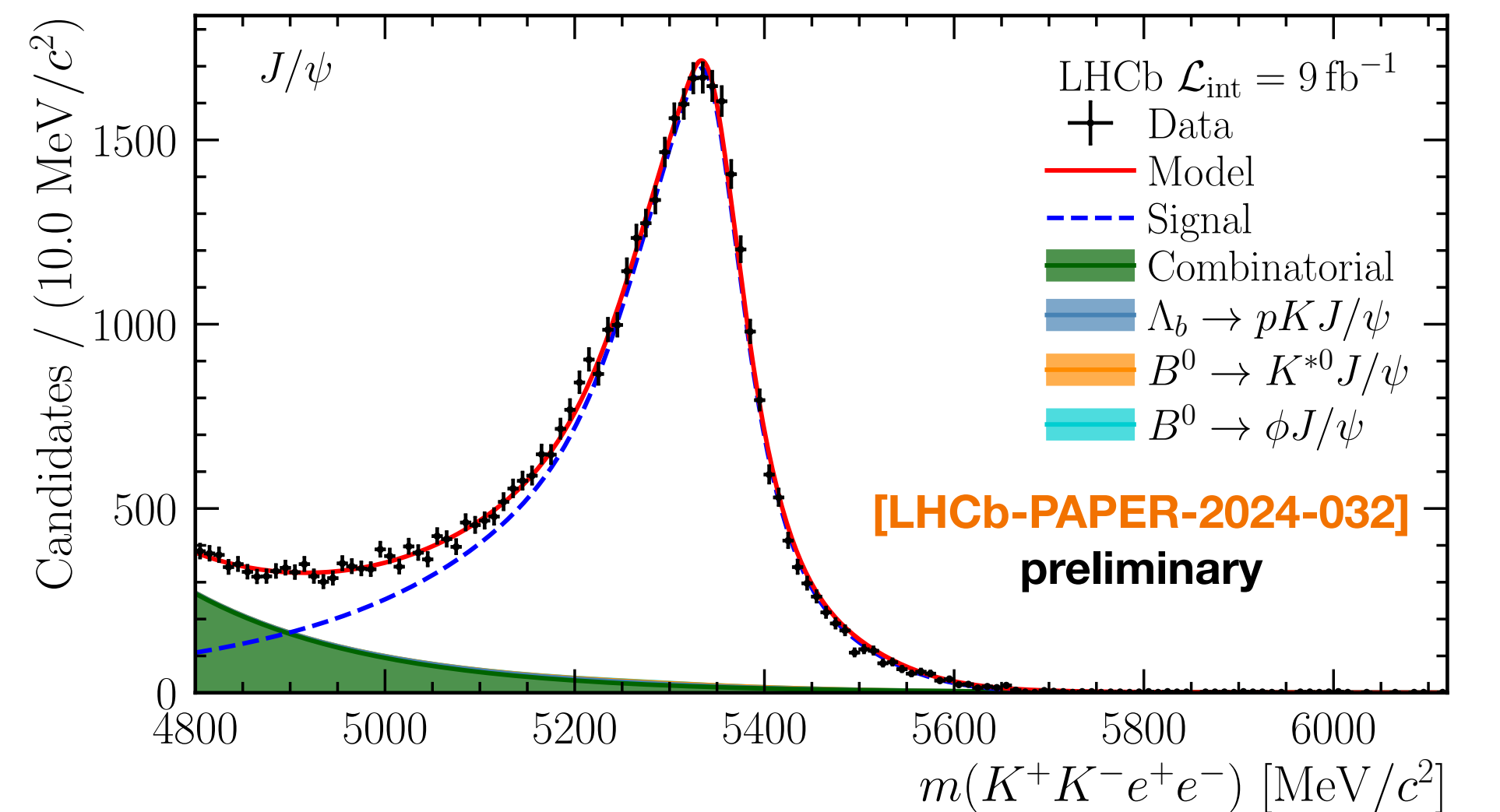
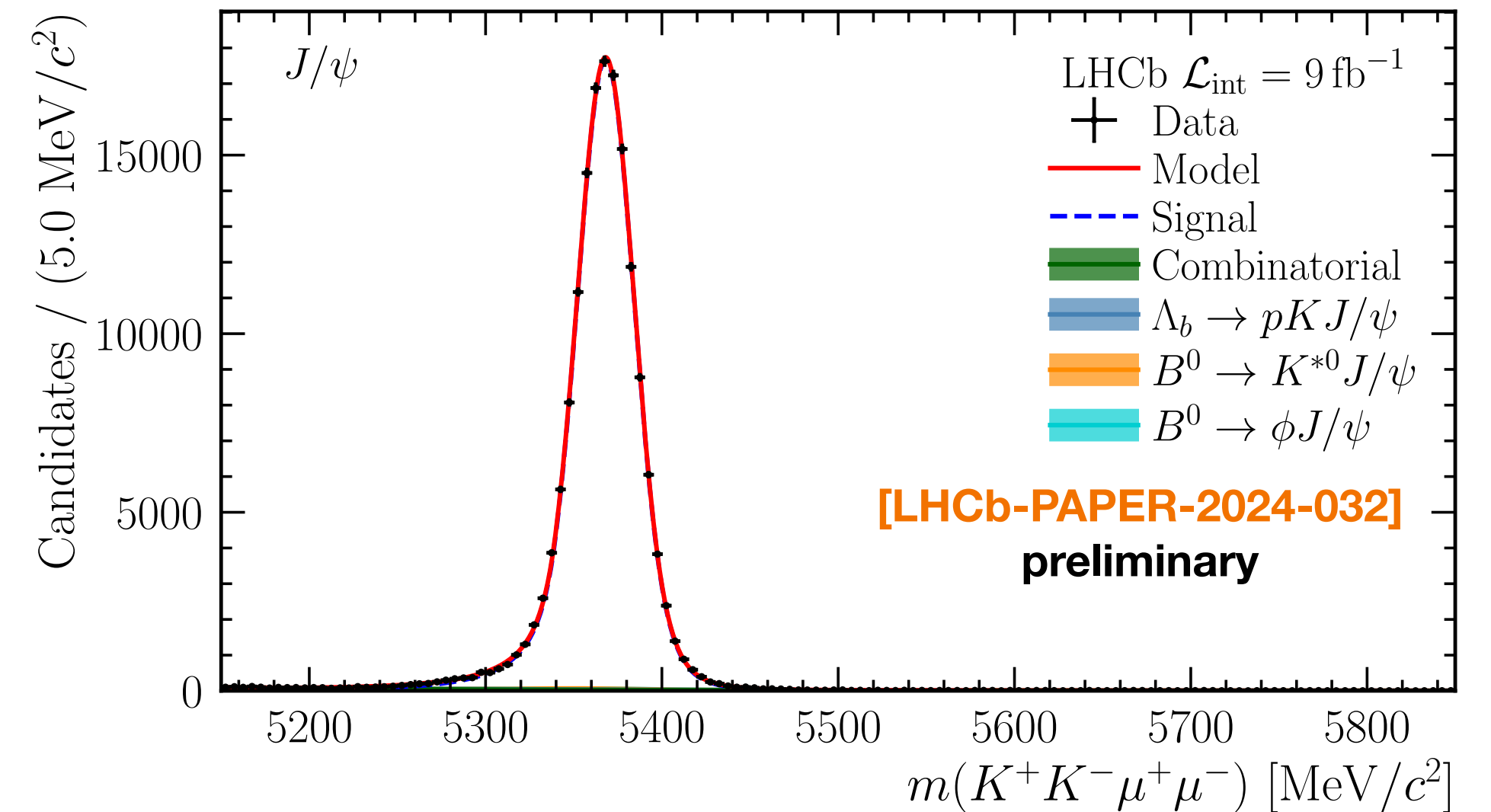
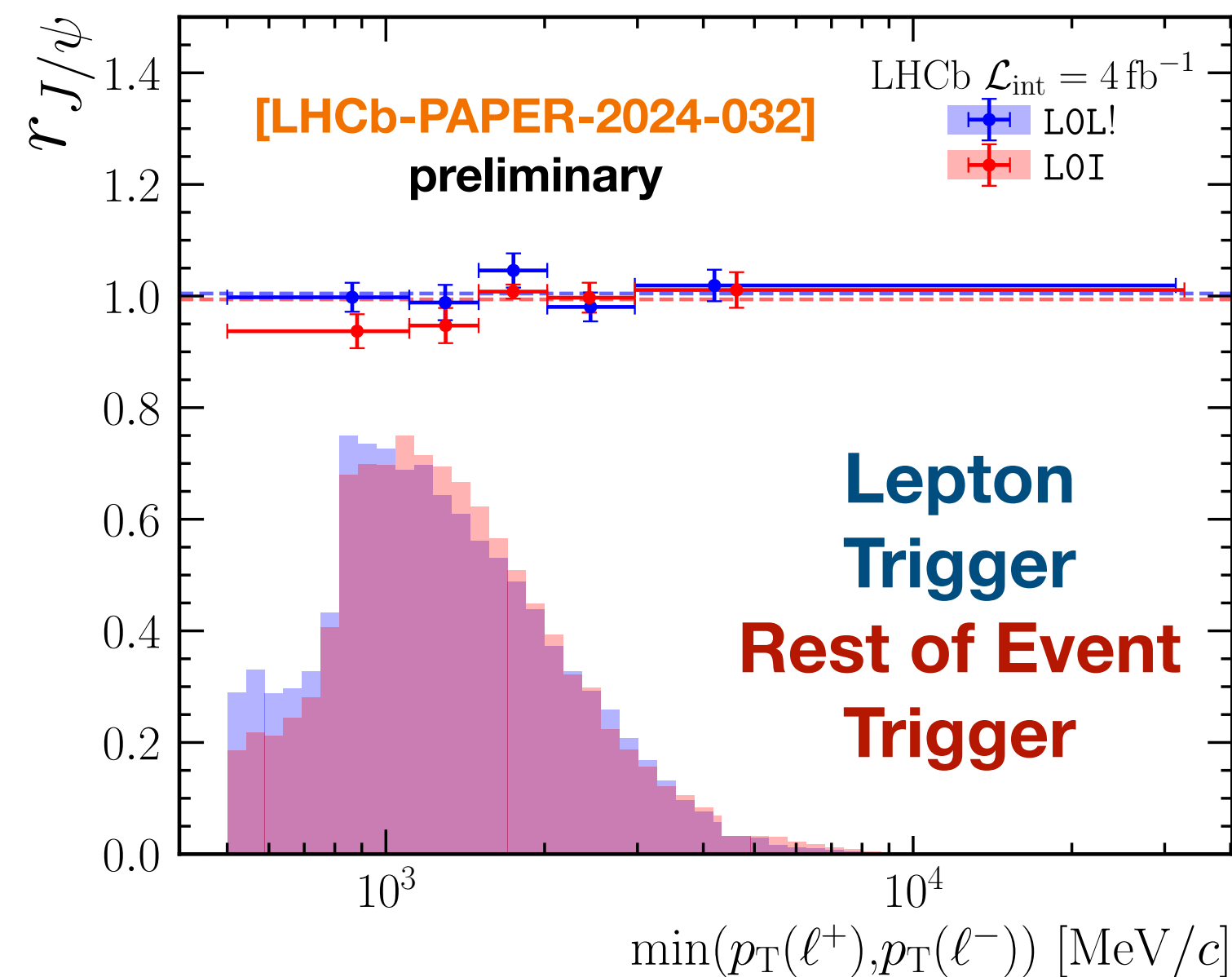




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- $r_{J/\psi}$  **independent of kinematics**

Demonstrates control of electron and muon efficiency scales!

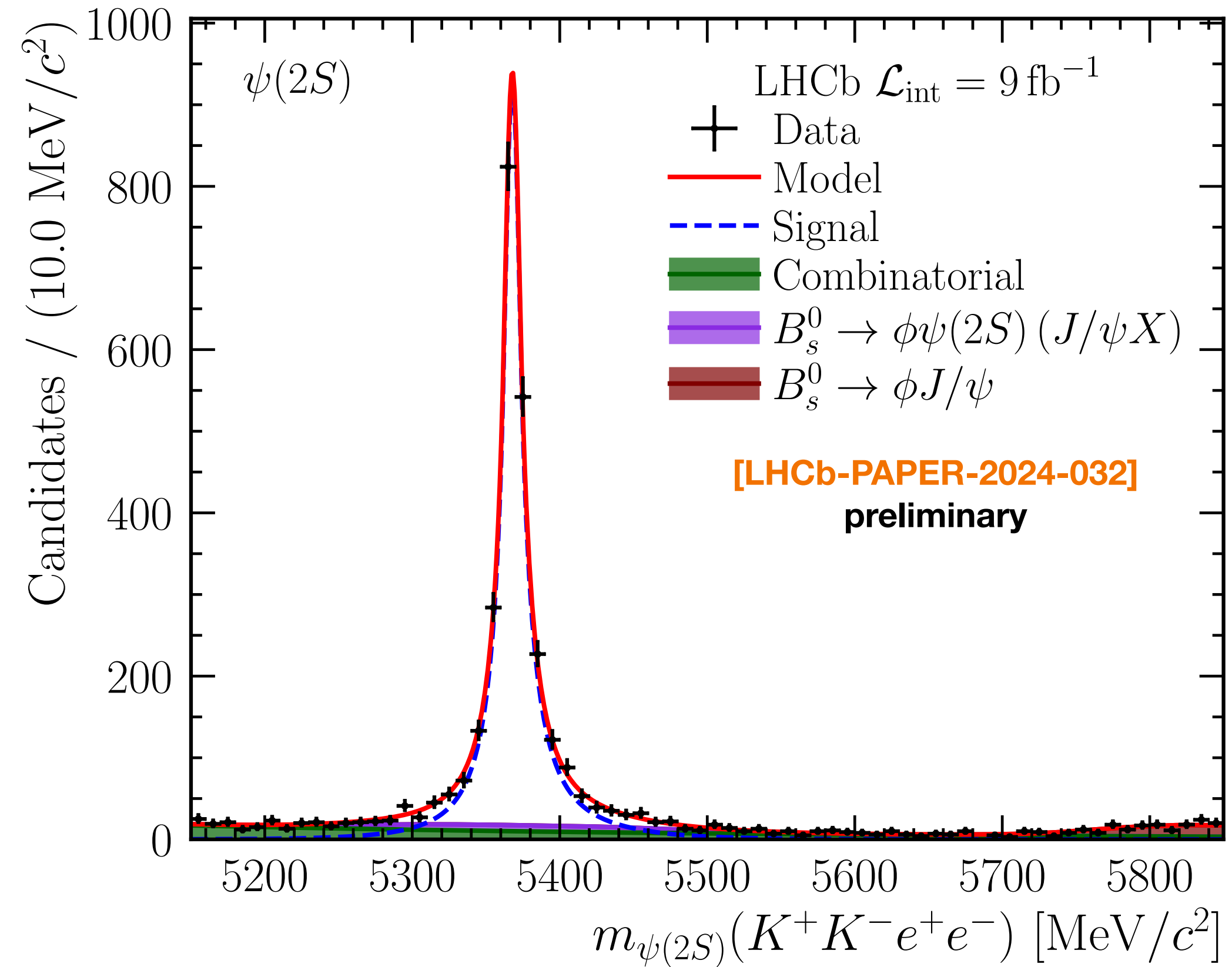
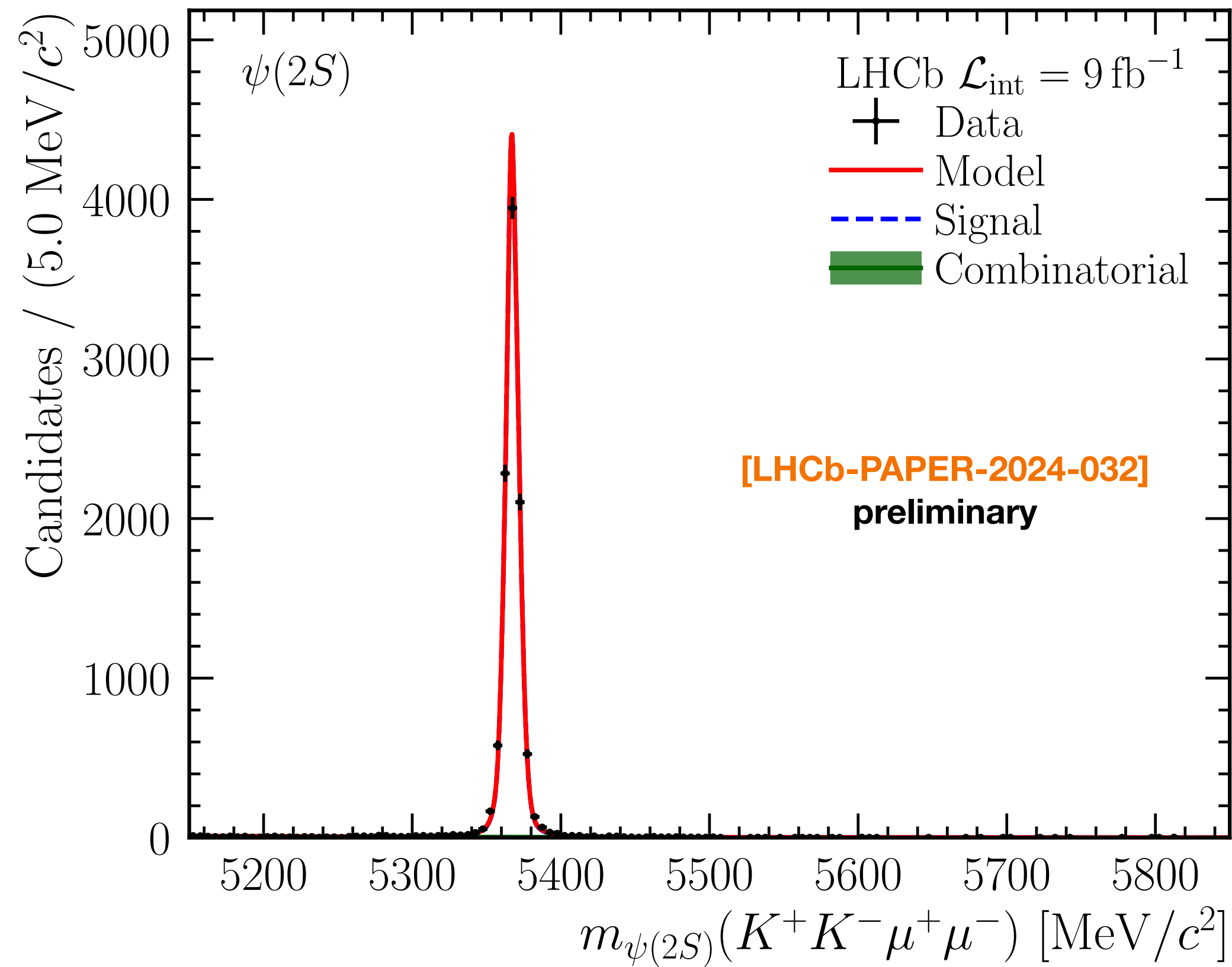




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Constrained dilepton mass to  $\psi(2S)$  mass  
 $\Rightarrow$  Improved resolution

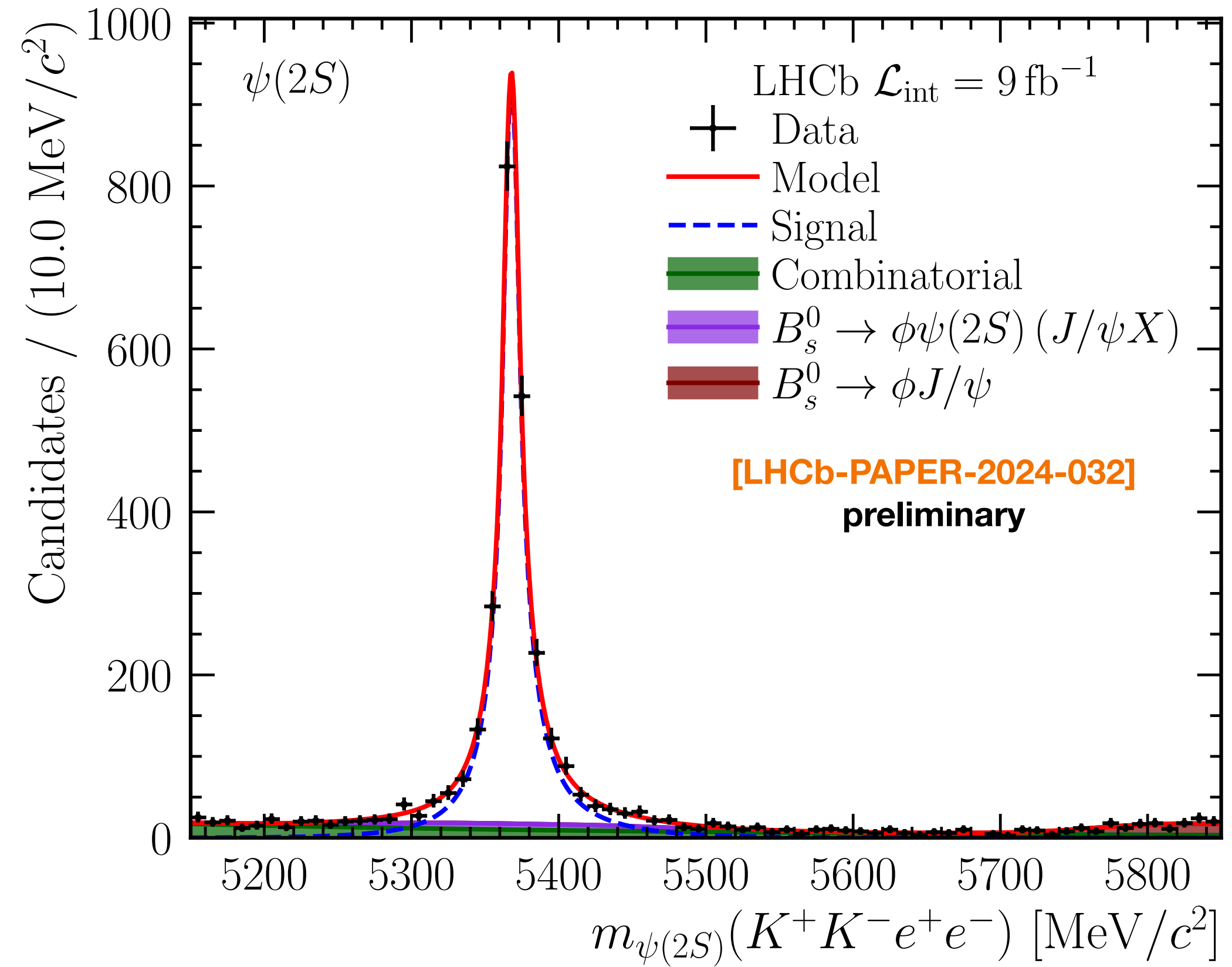
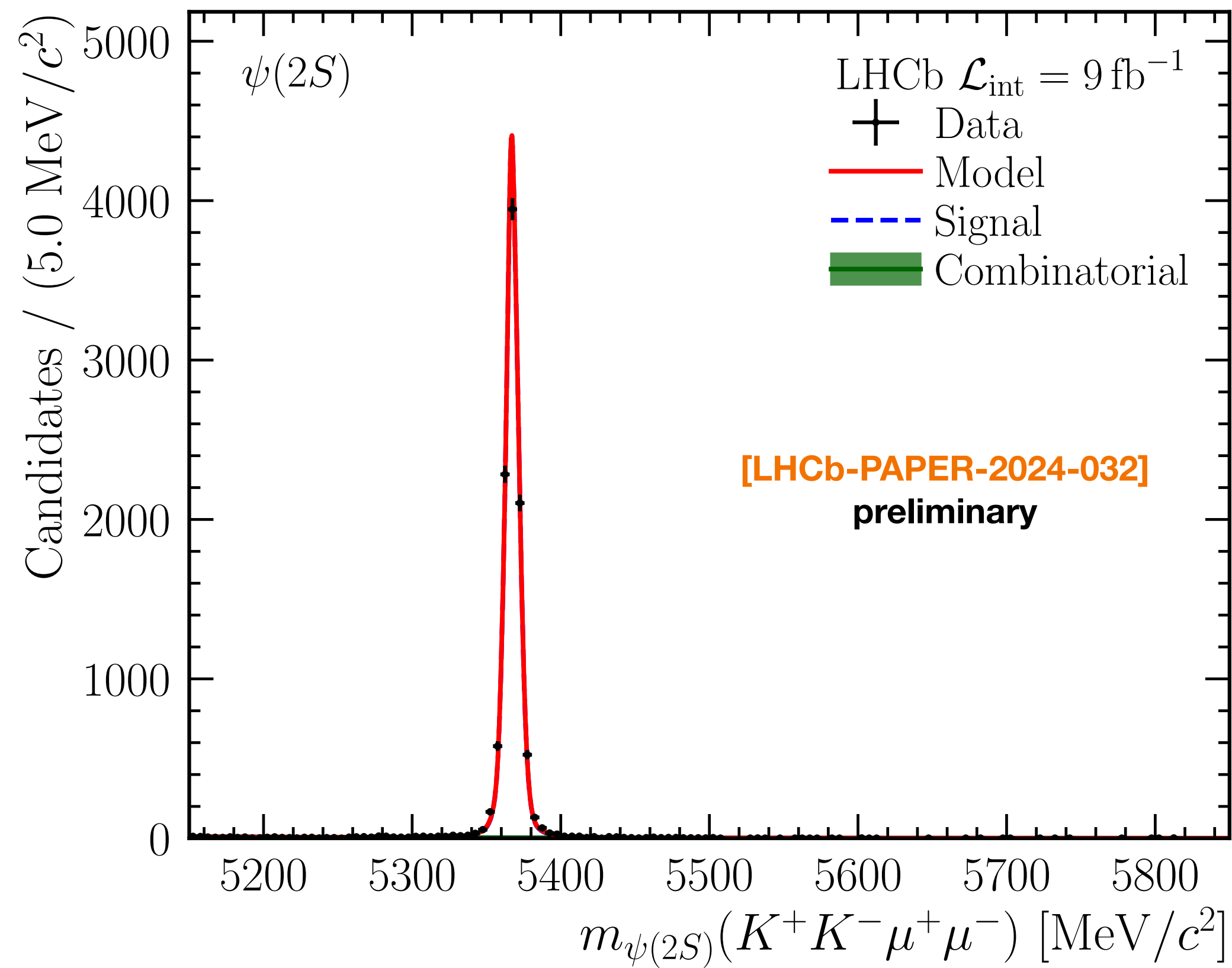




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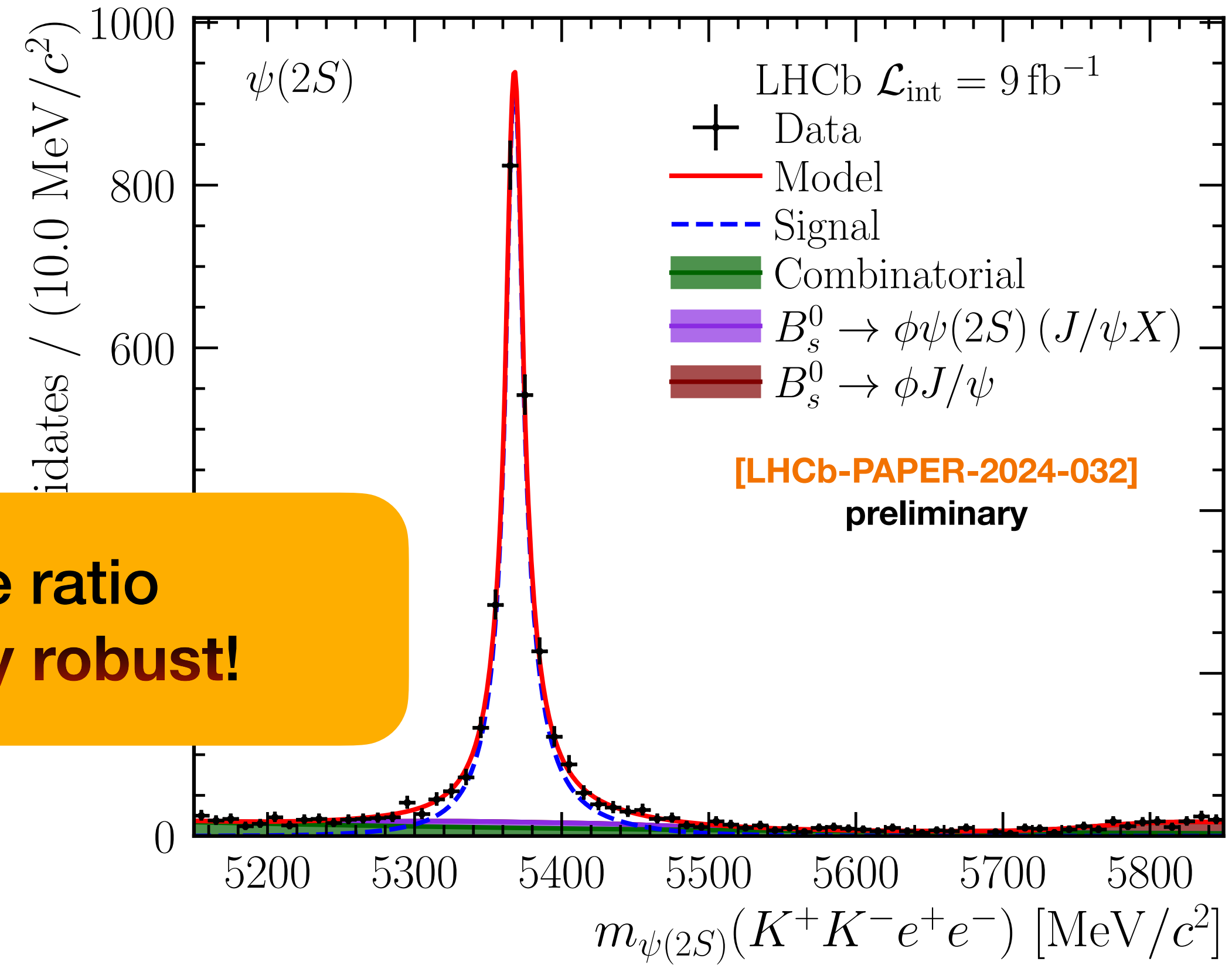
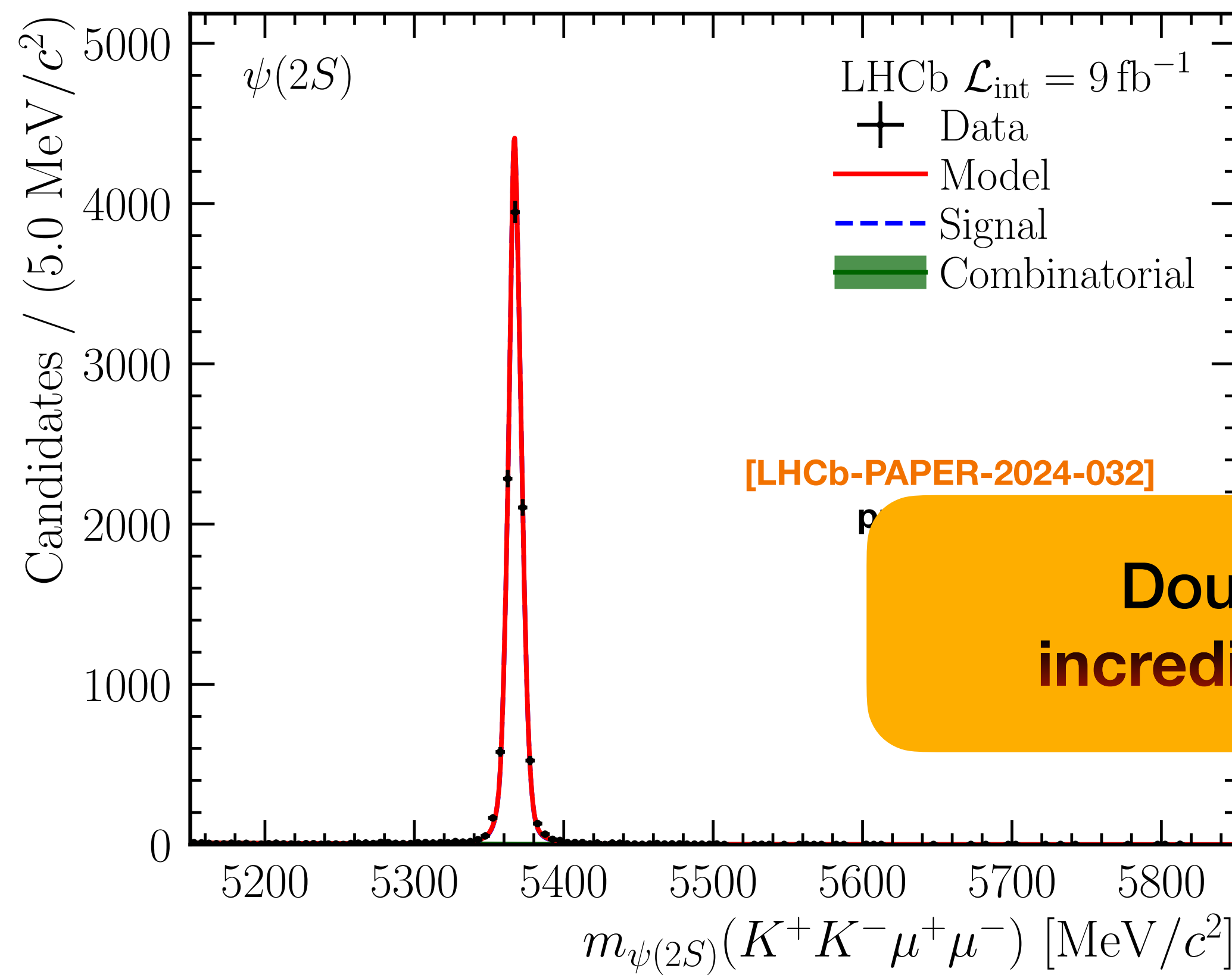




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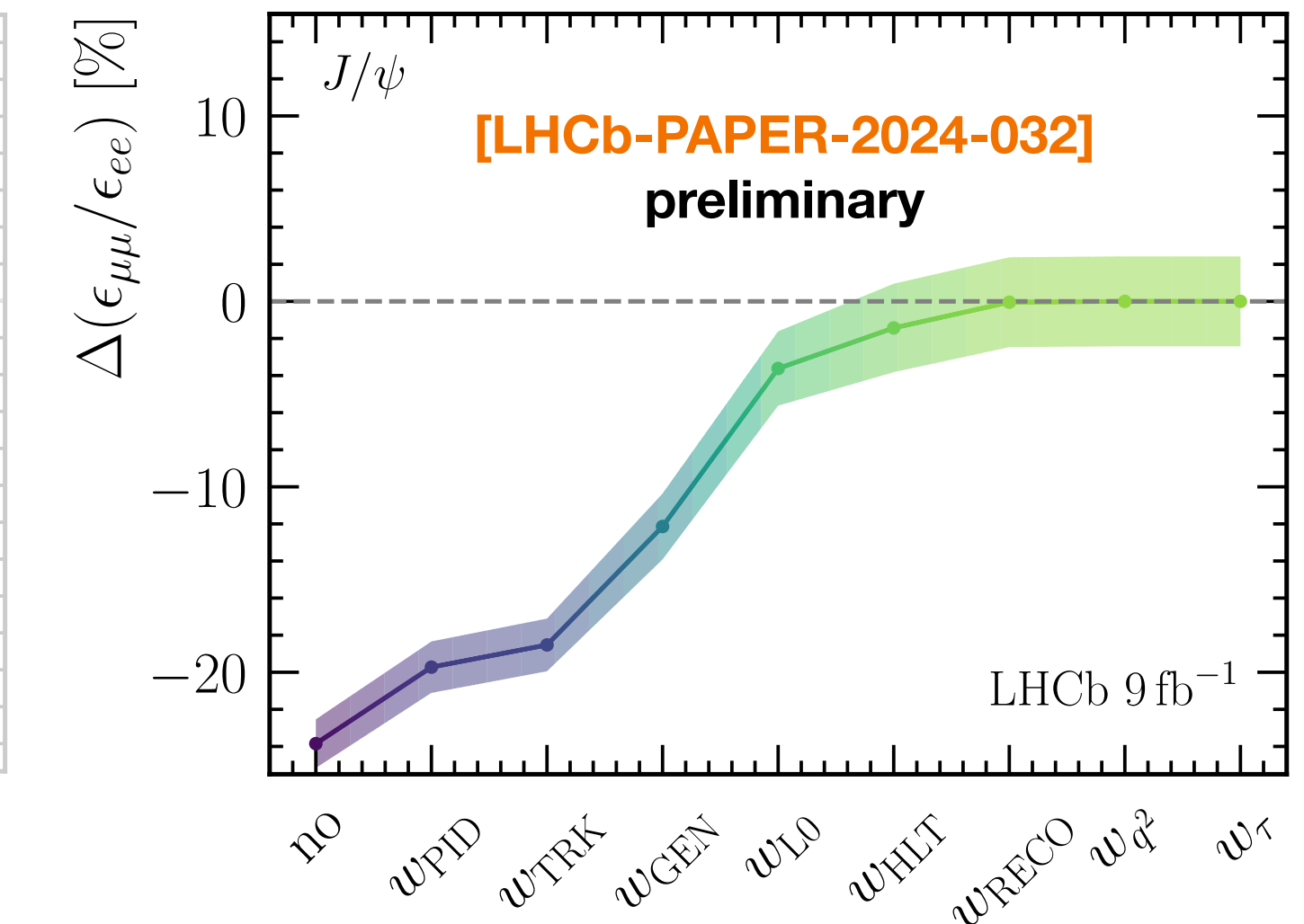
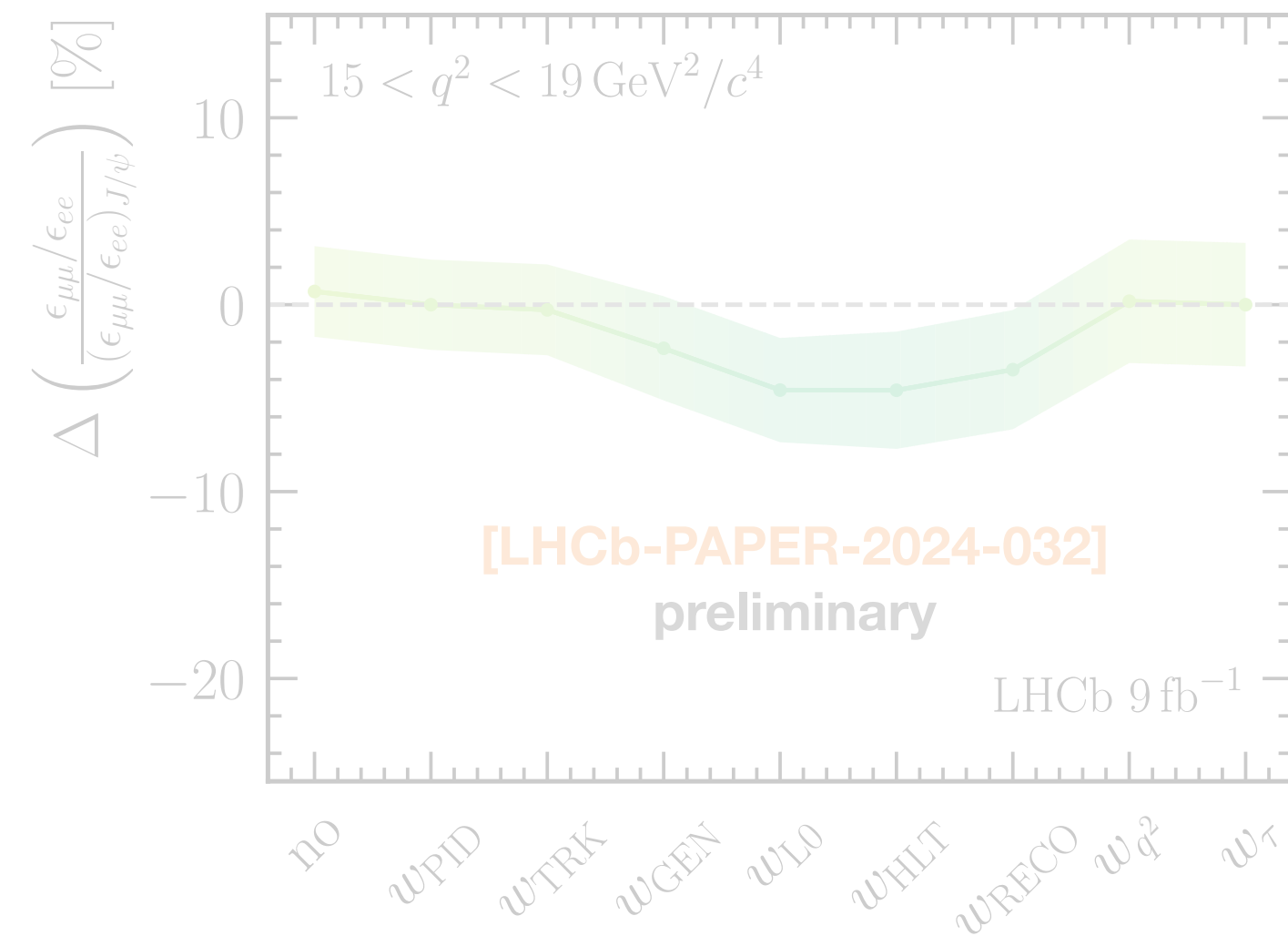
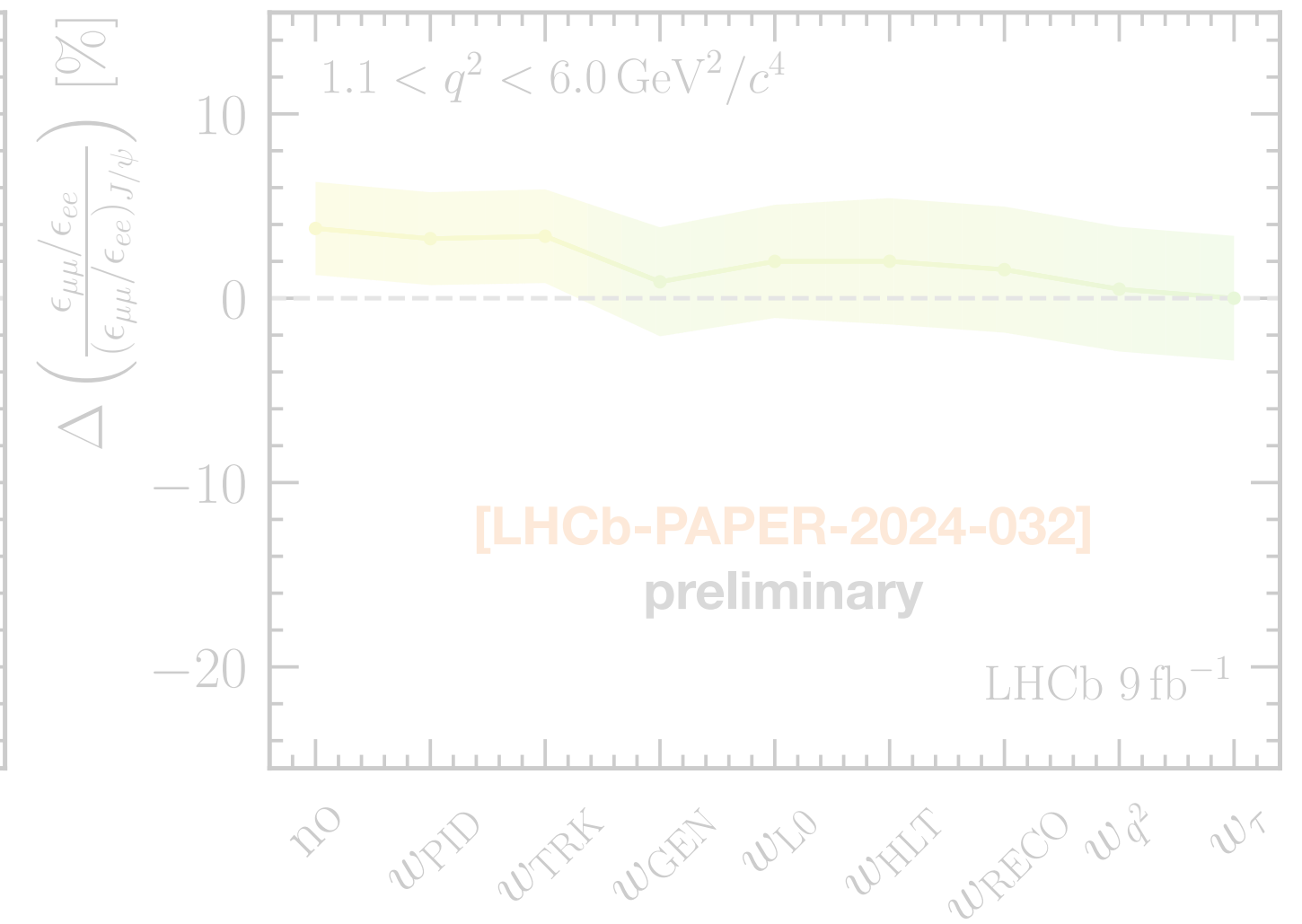
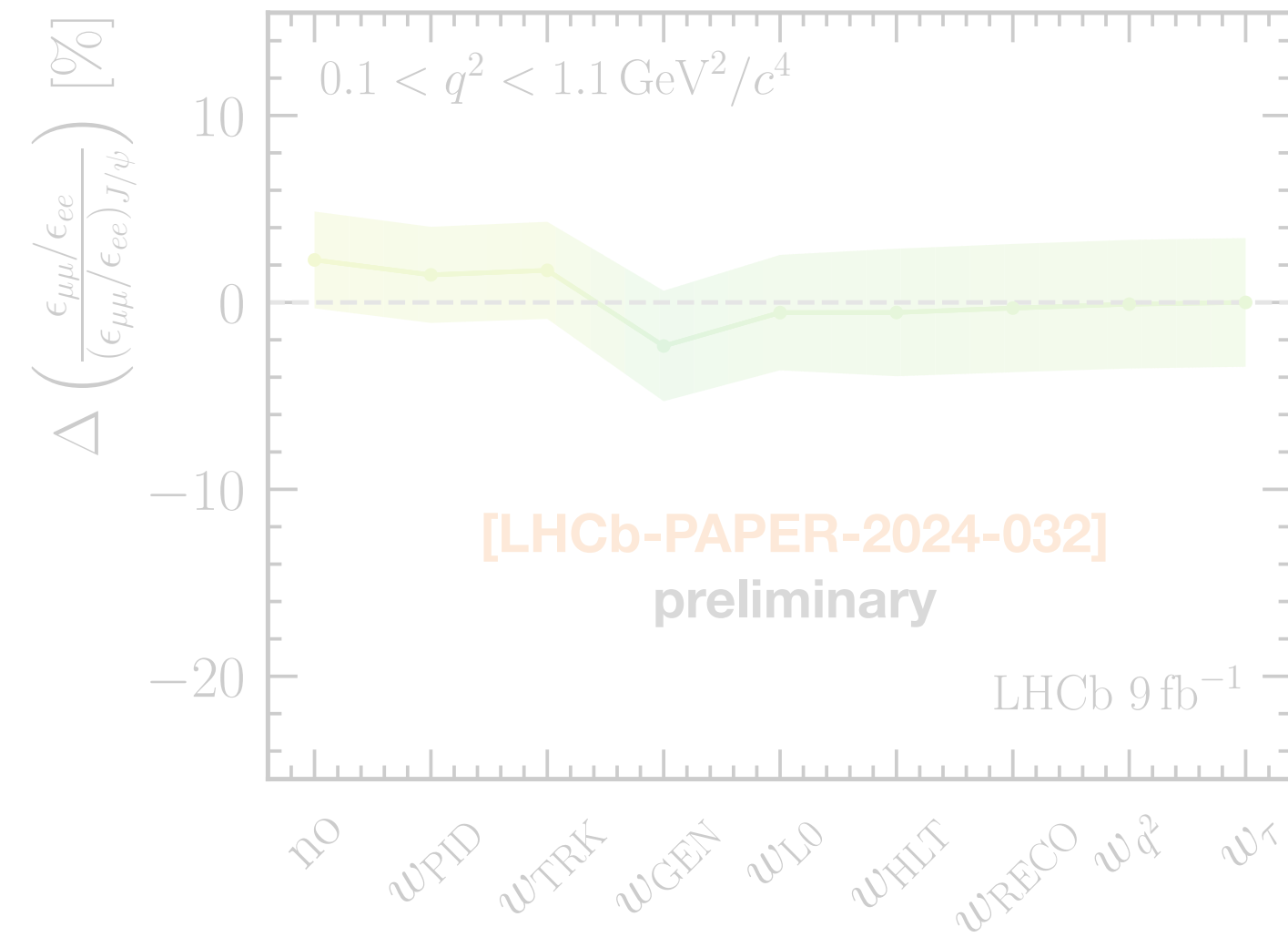


**Double ratio  
incredibly robust!**



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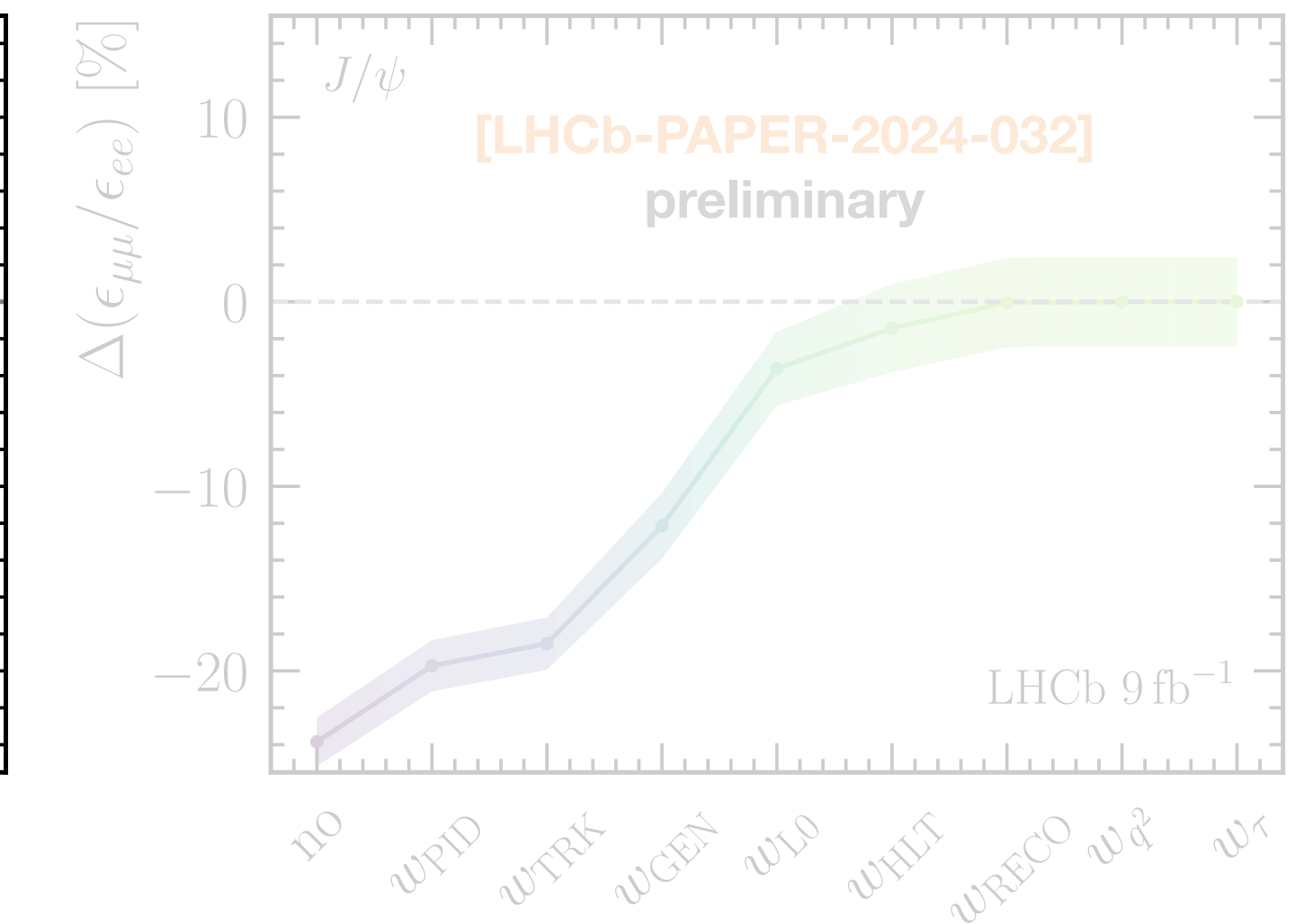
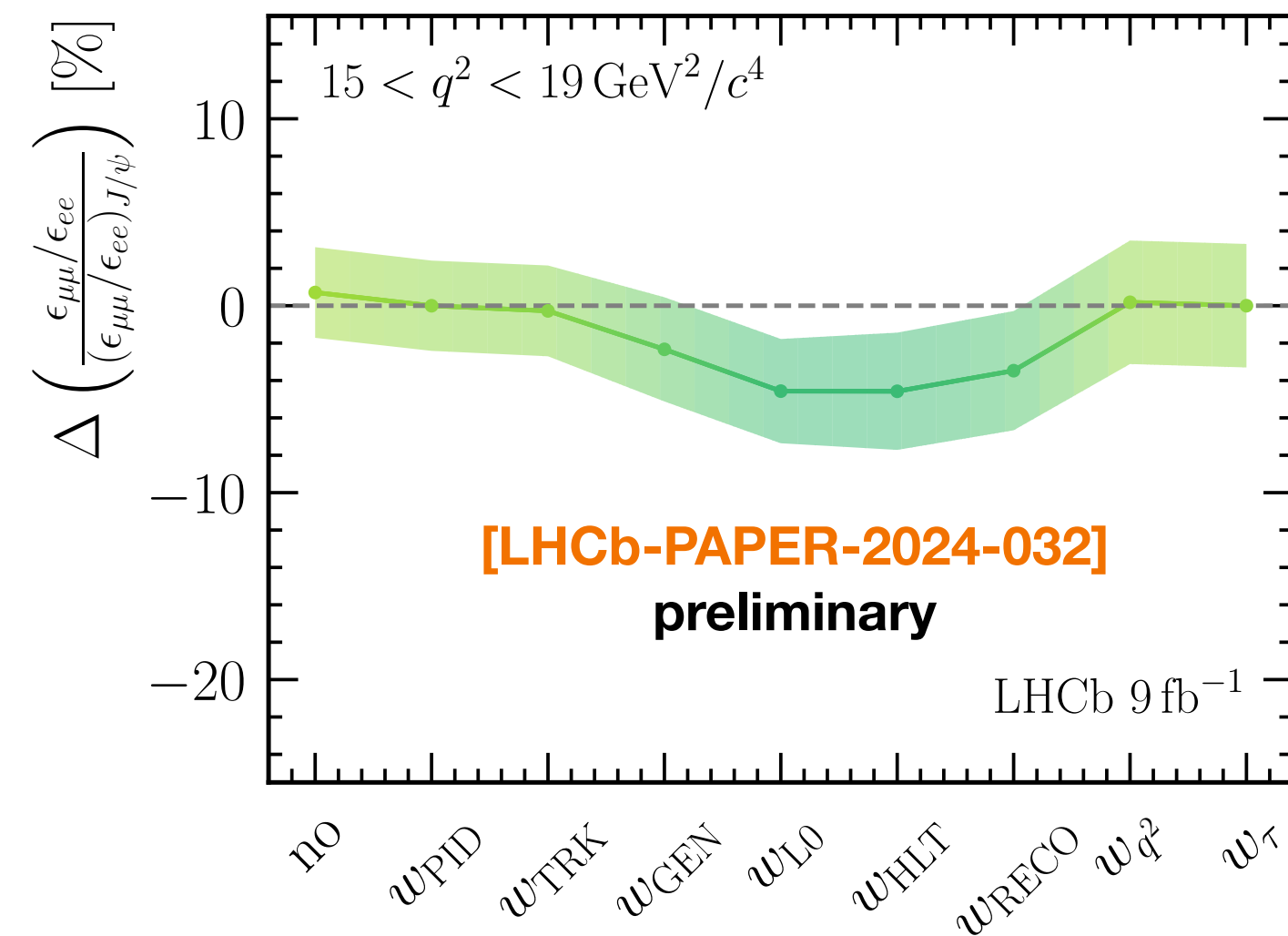
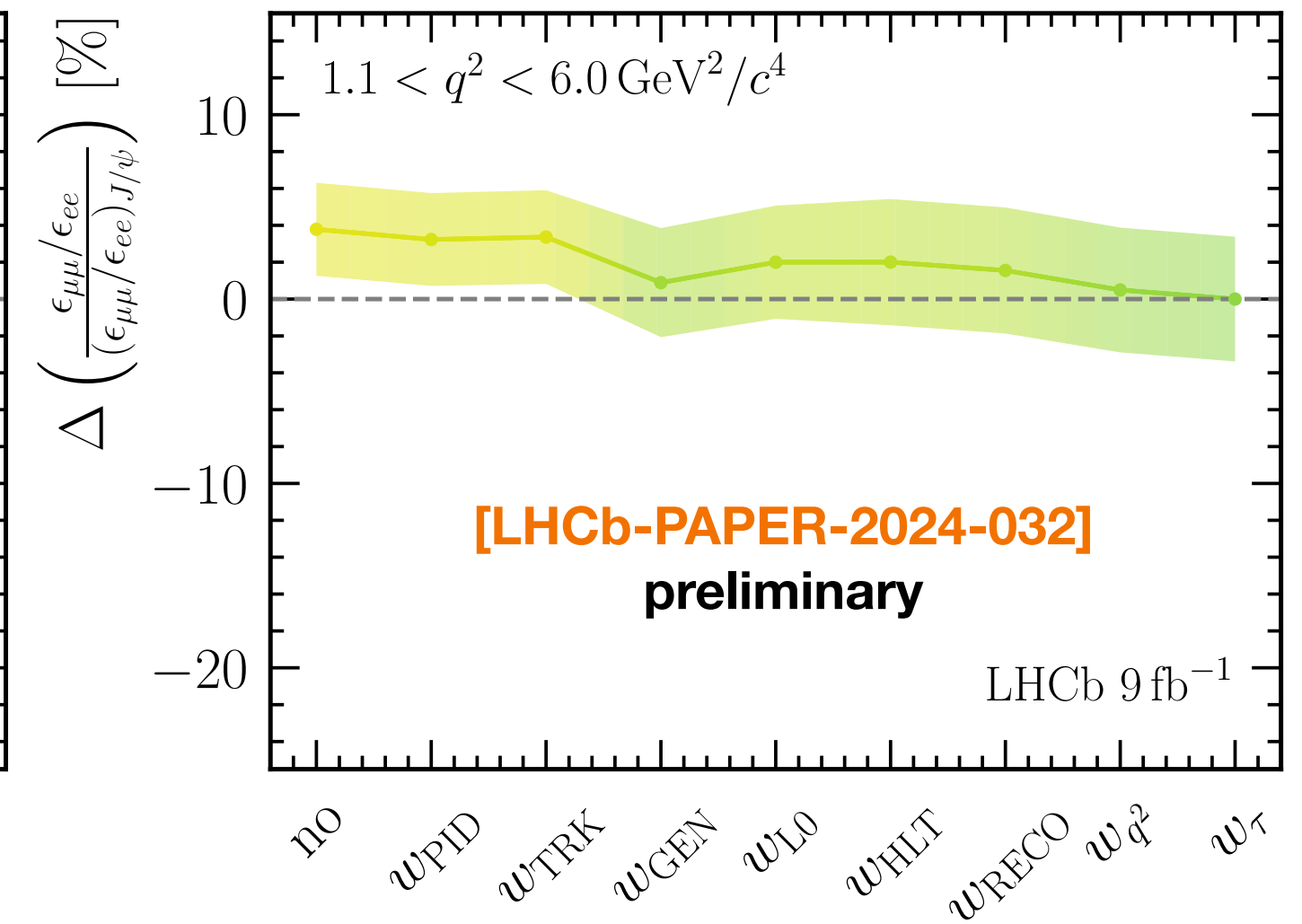
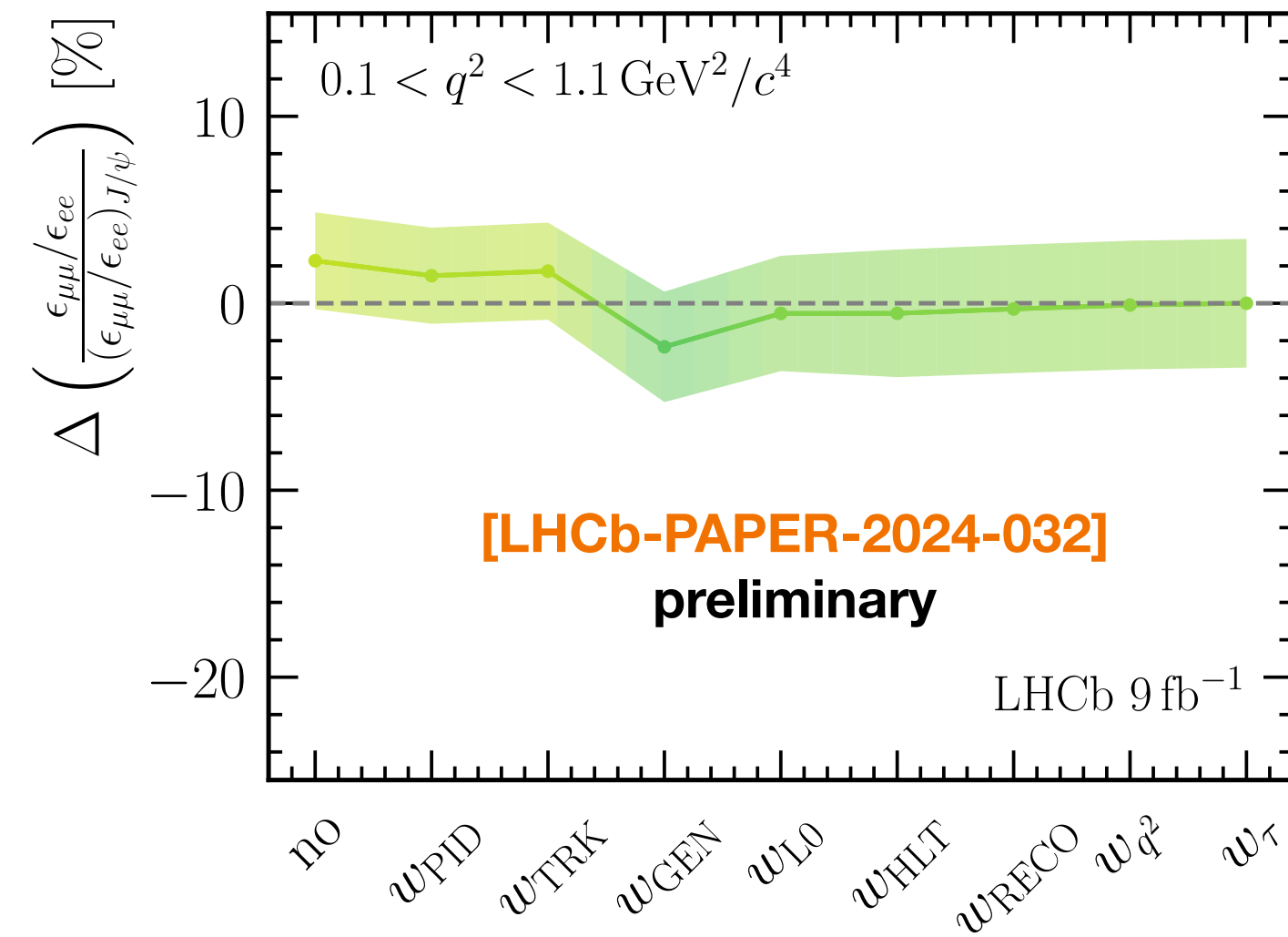
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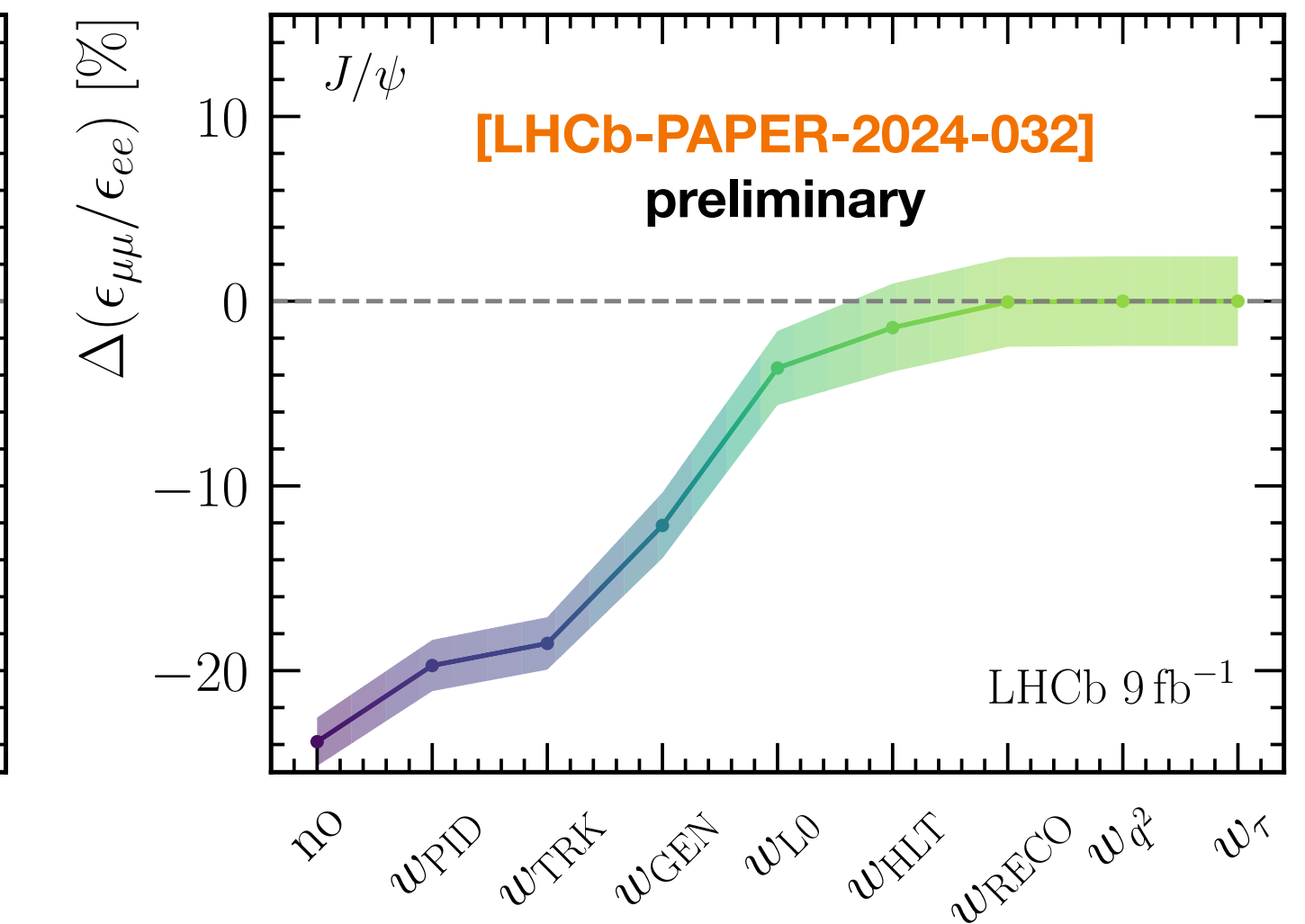
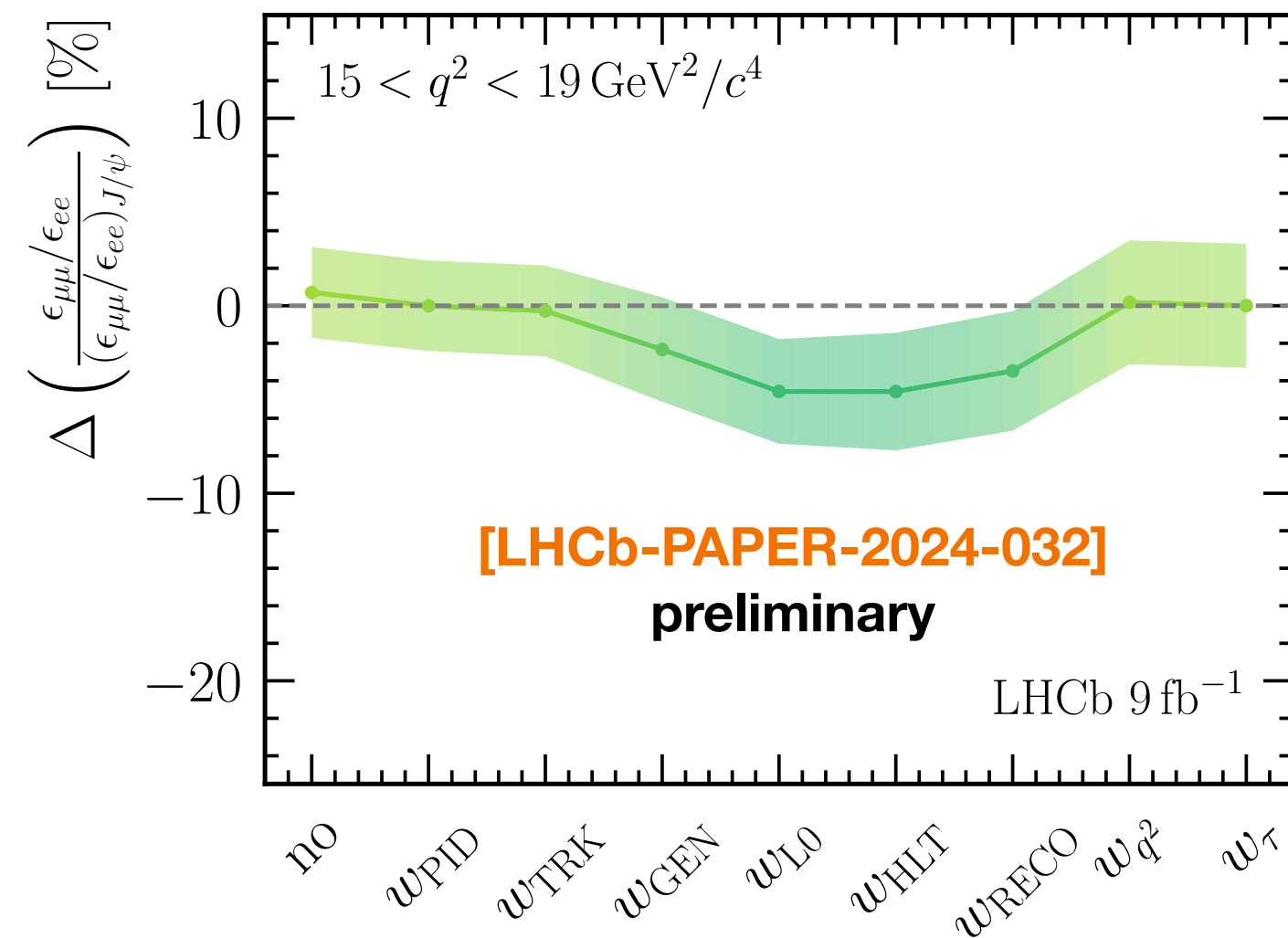
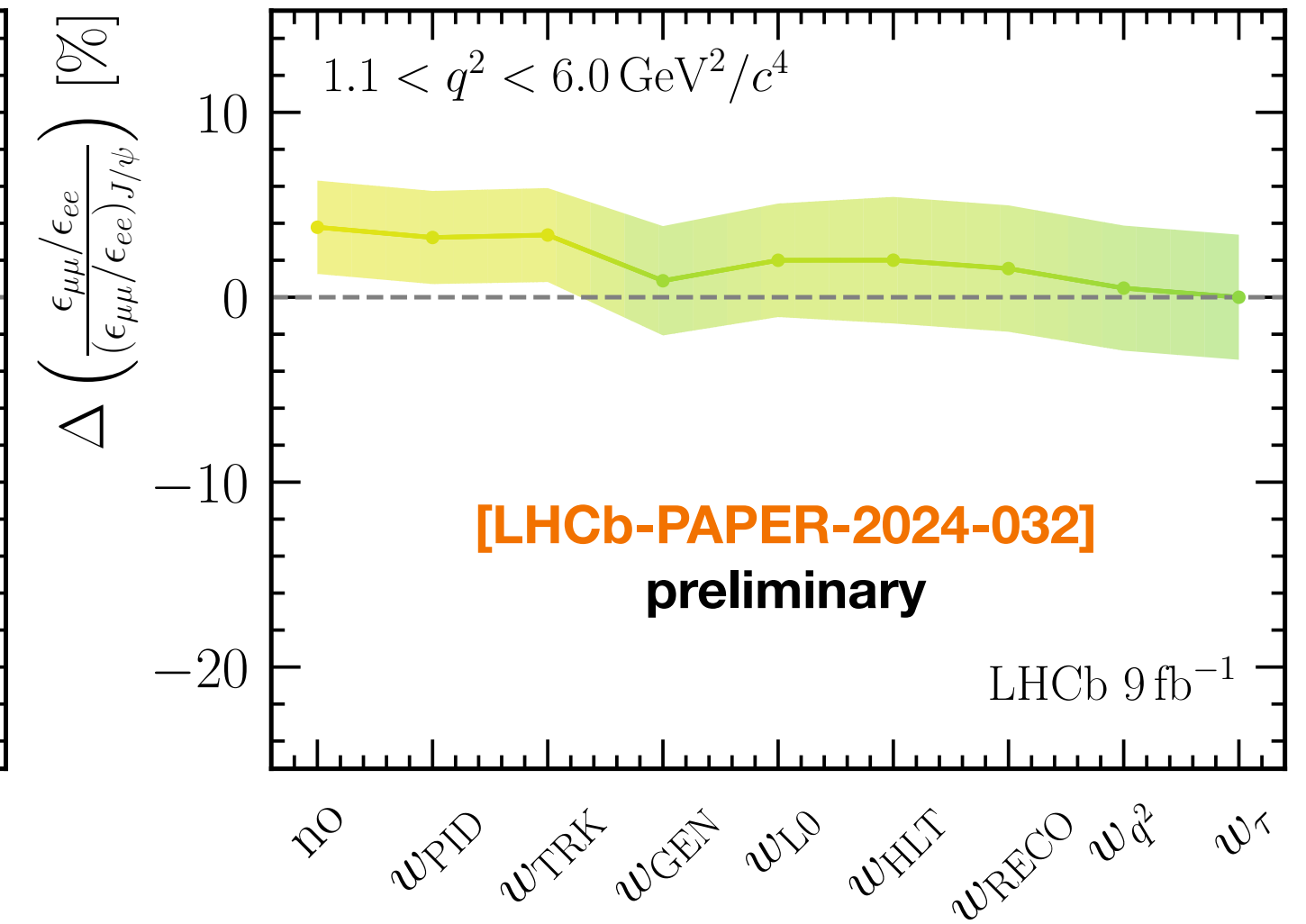
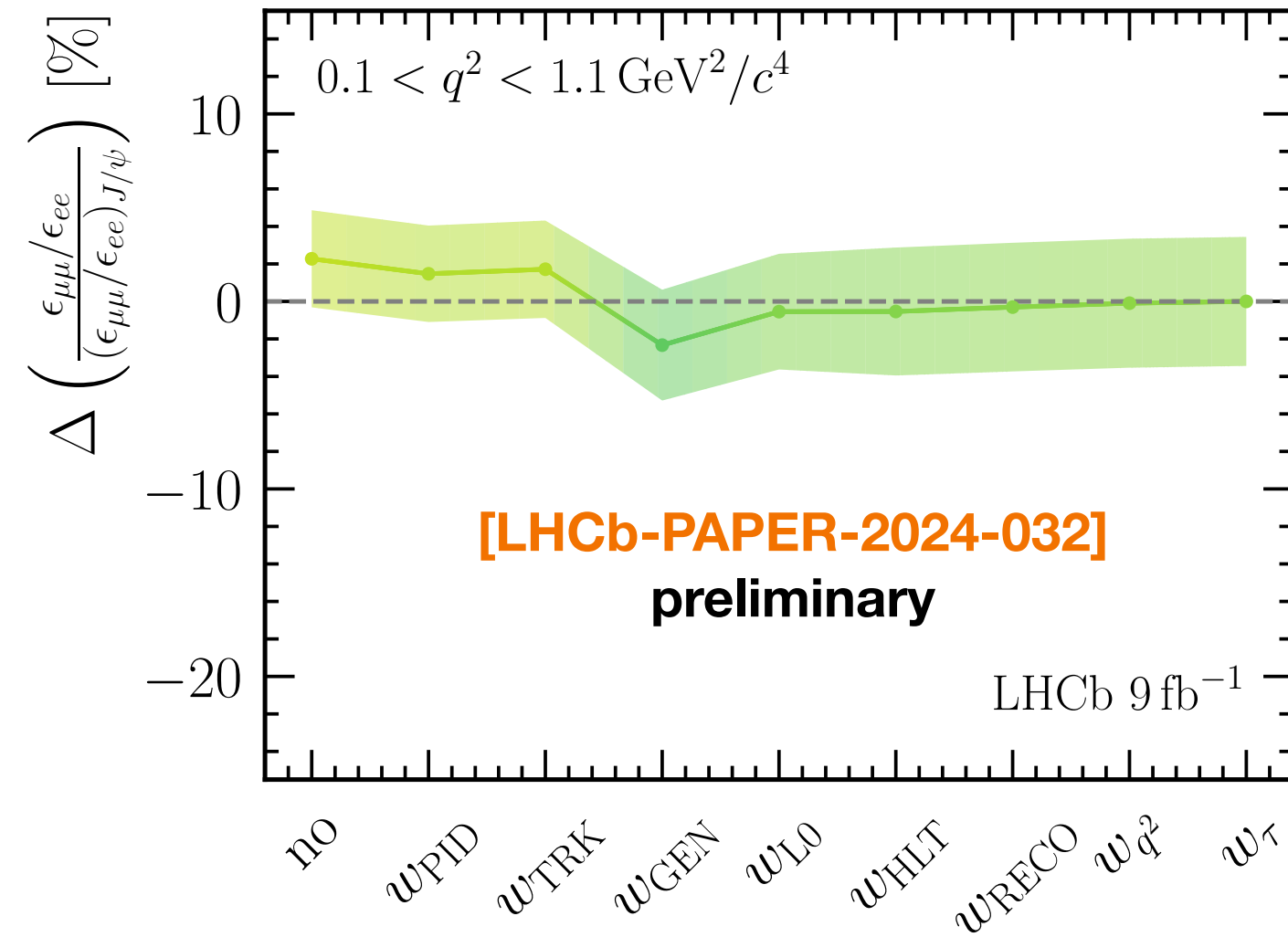
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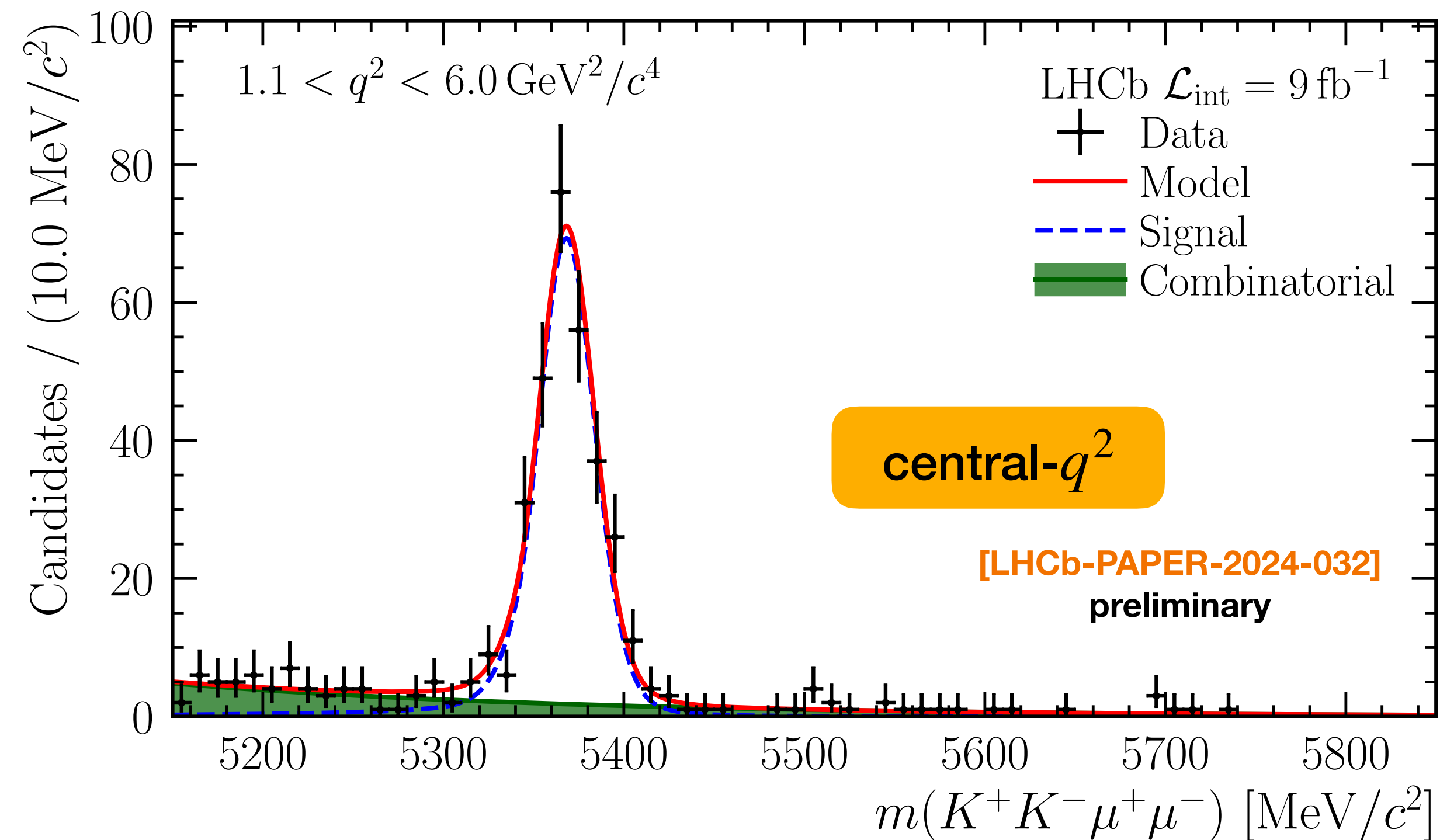
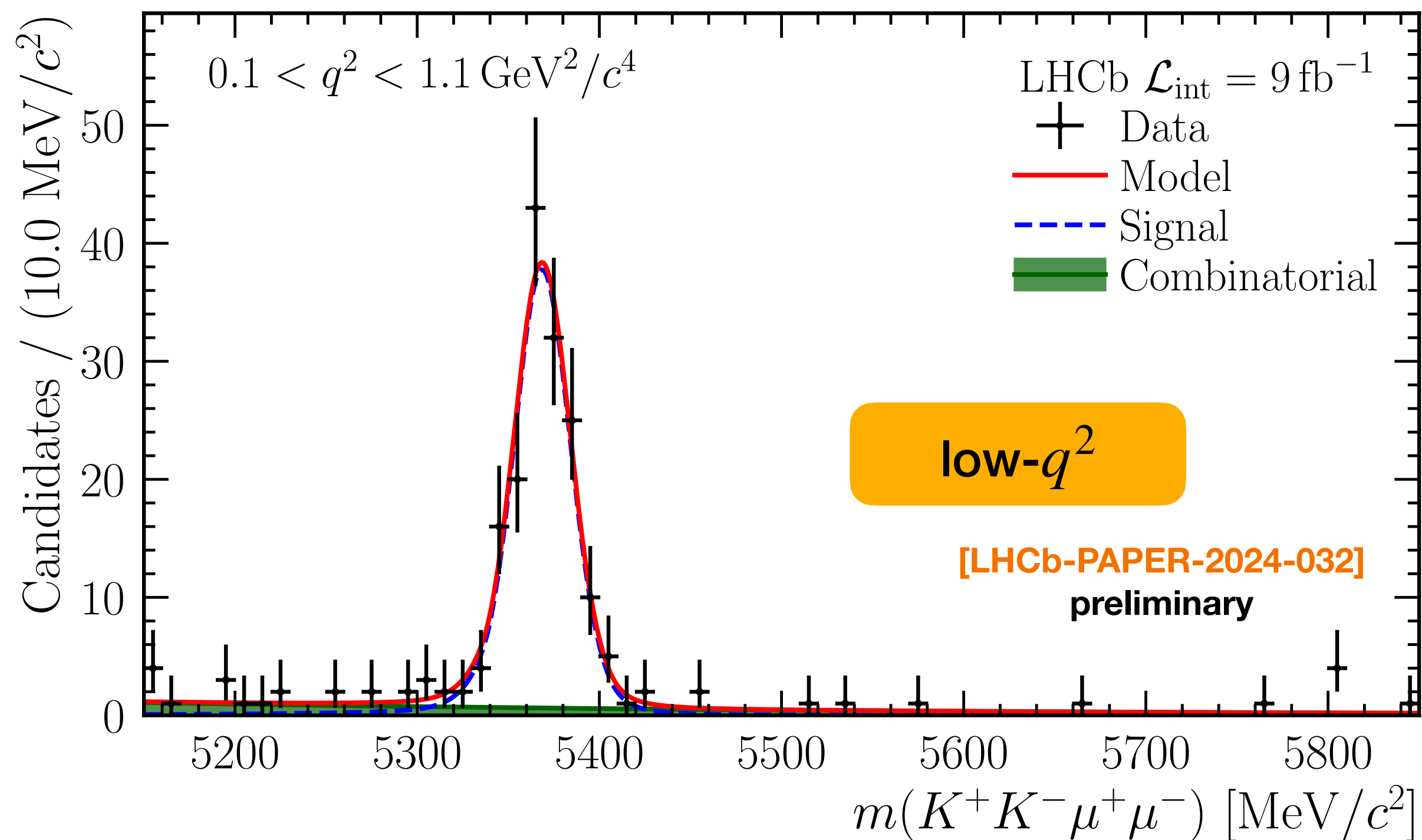
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- Reinforces **robustness** of the **double ratio approach**
- Highlights control of systematic uncertainties





# MASS FIT TO LOW AND CENTRAL $q^2$ - MUONS

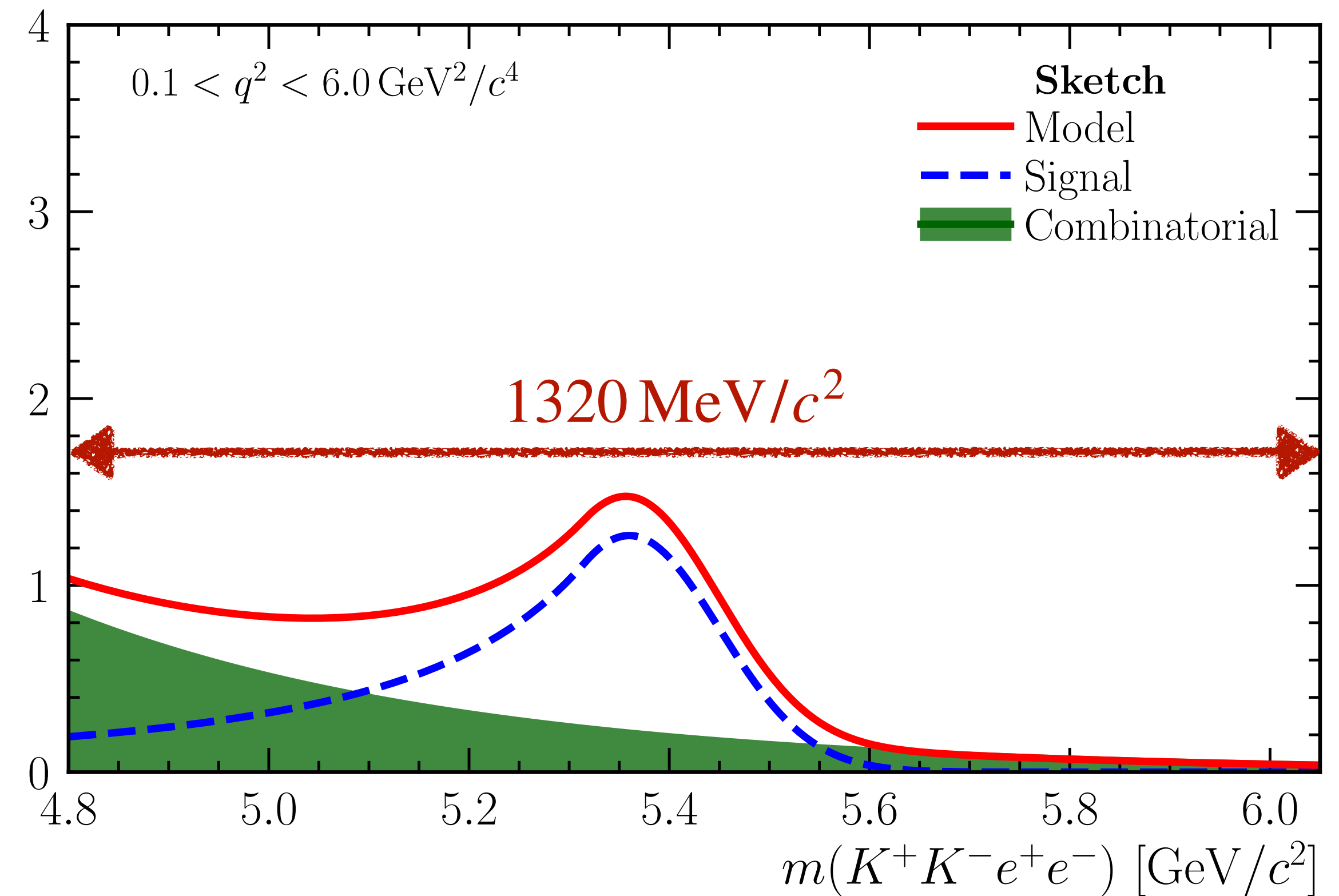
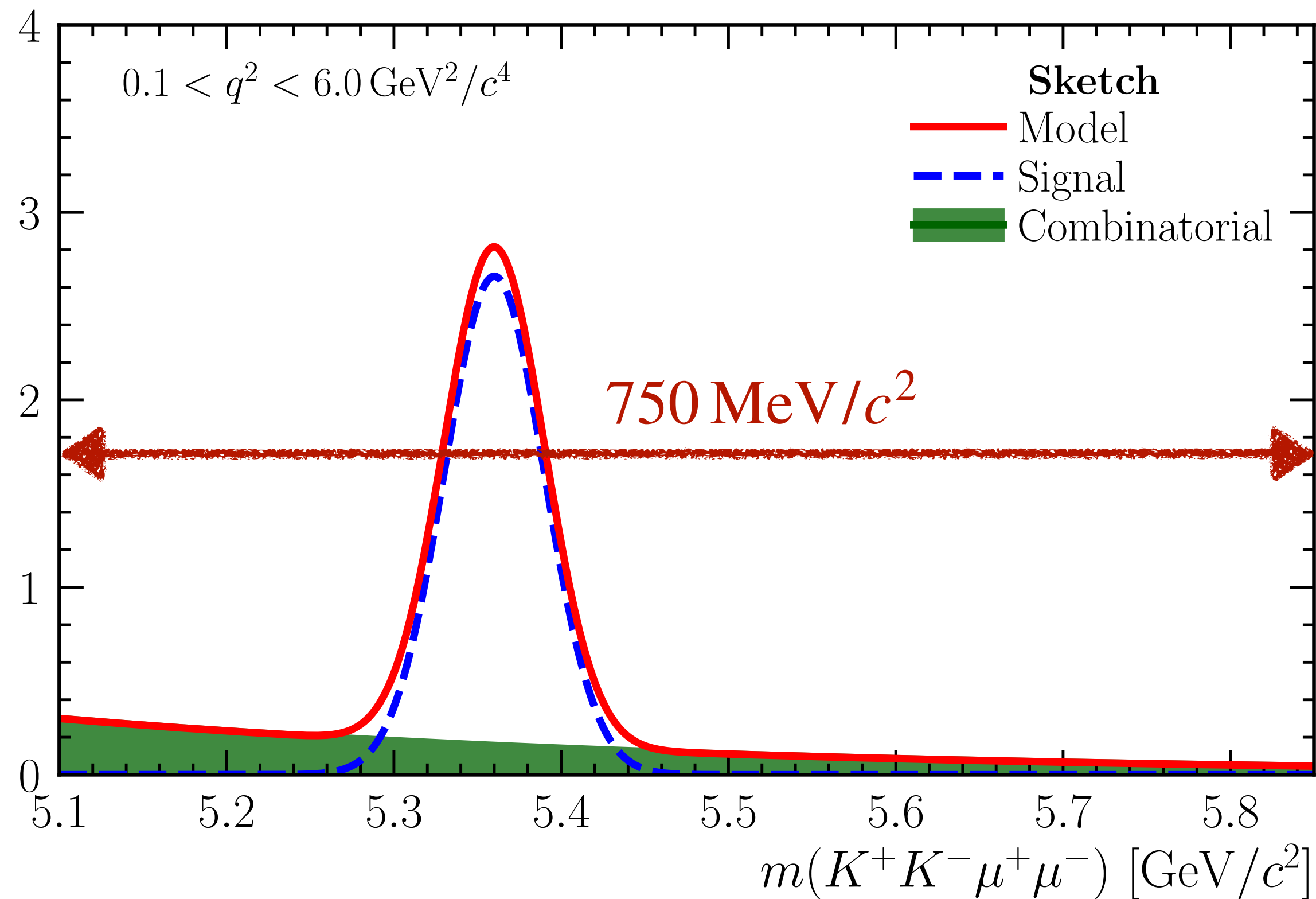
- Clean signal peak
- Almost **negligible** background levels
- Simultaneous fit: **mean shift** and **width scale** shared and constrained from  $J/\psi$





# FROM MUON FITS TO ELECTRON FITS

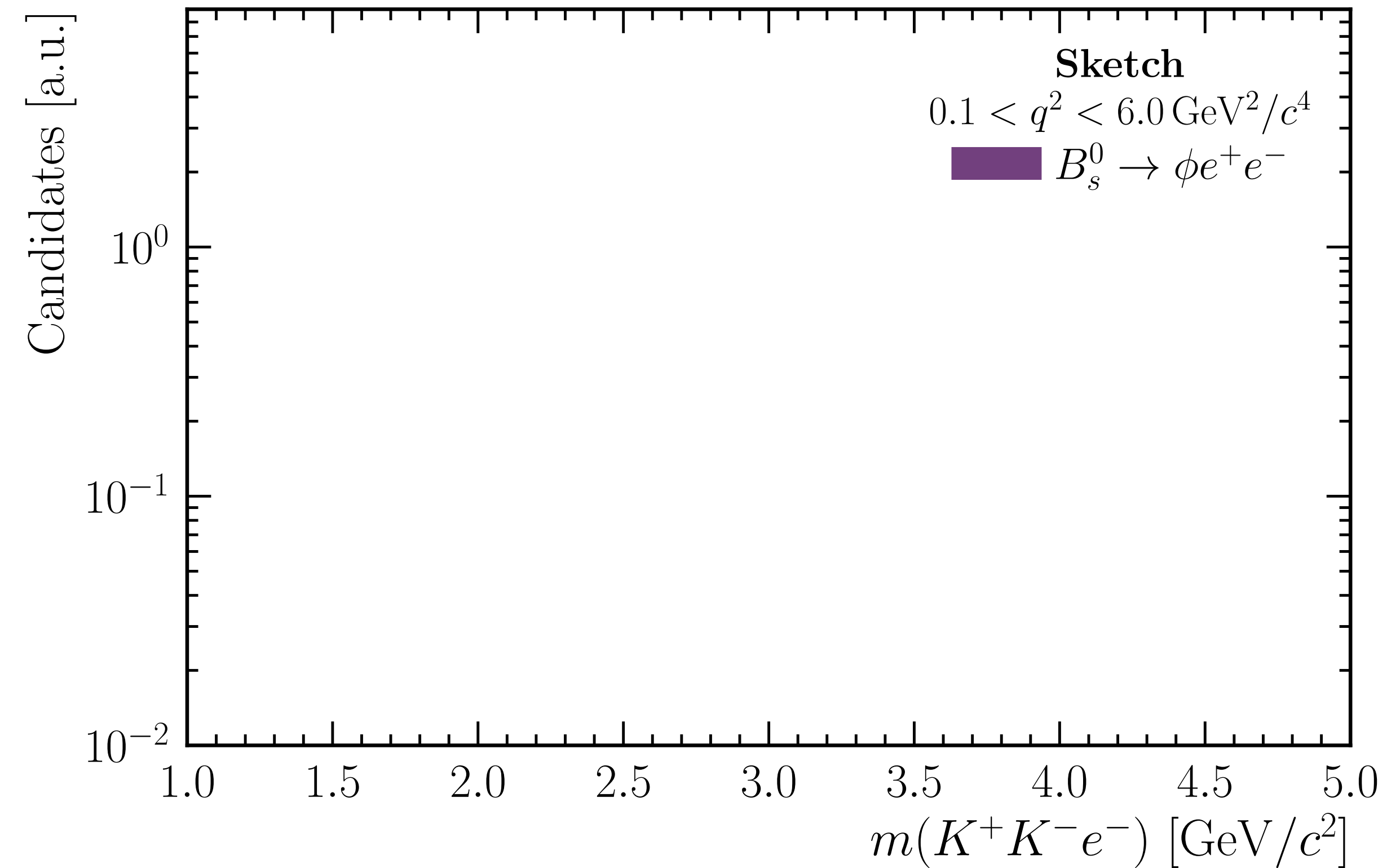
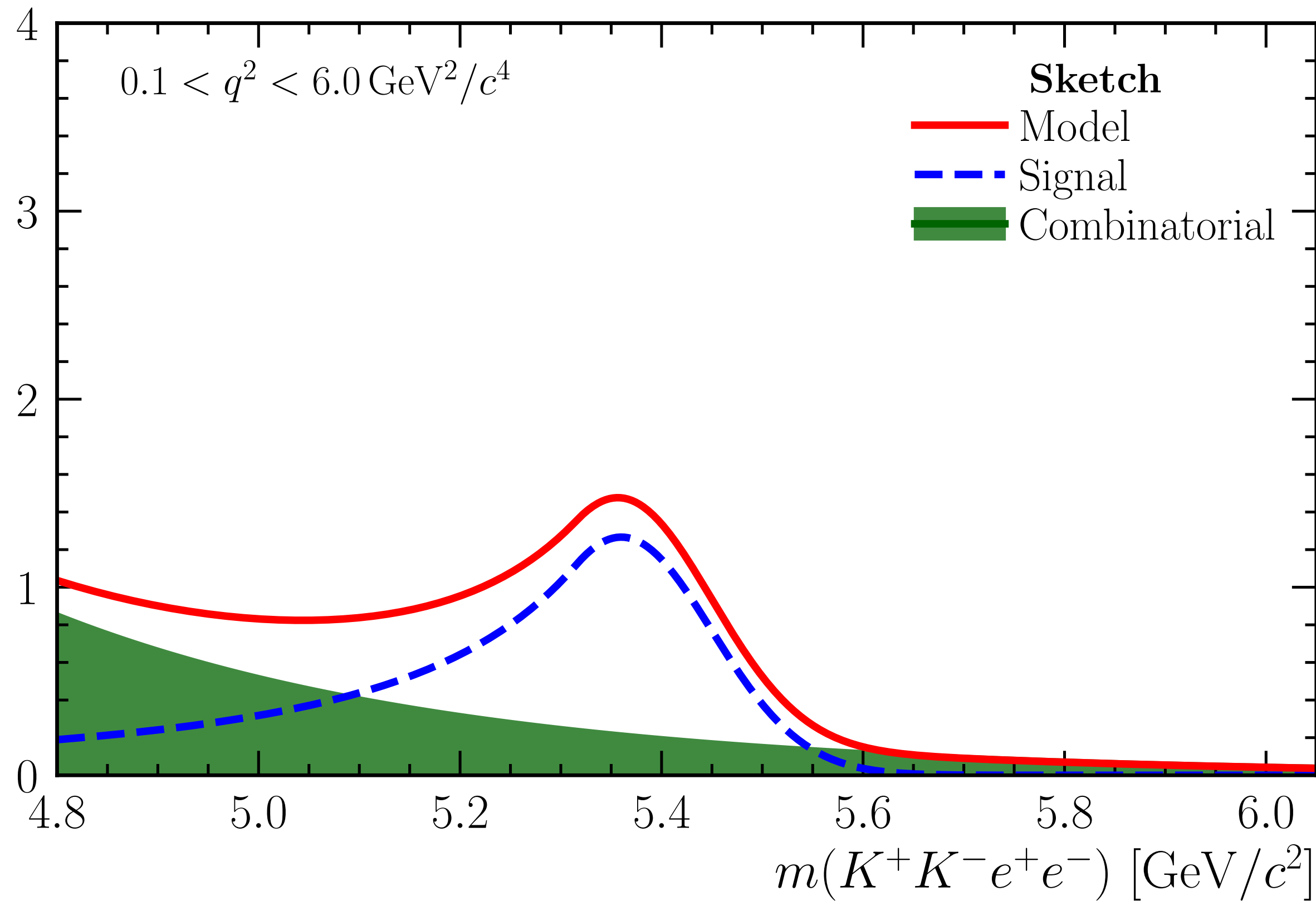
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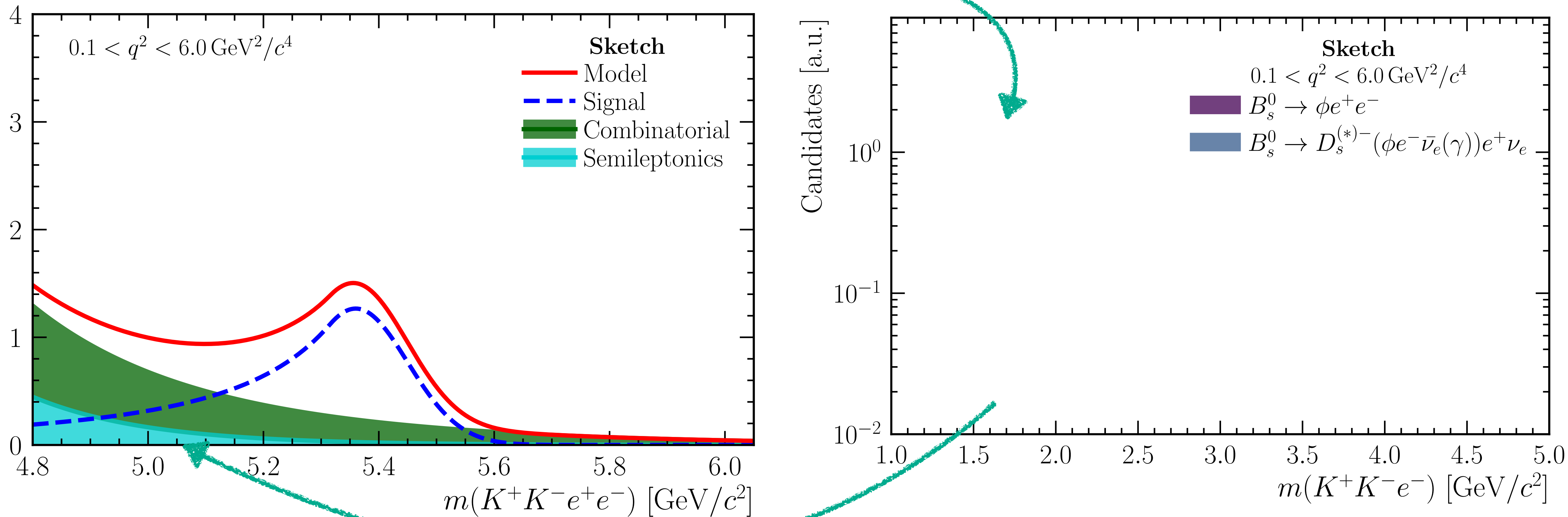
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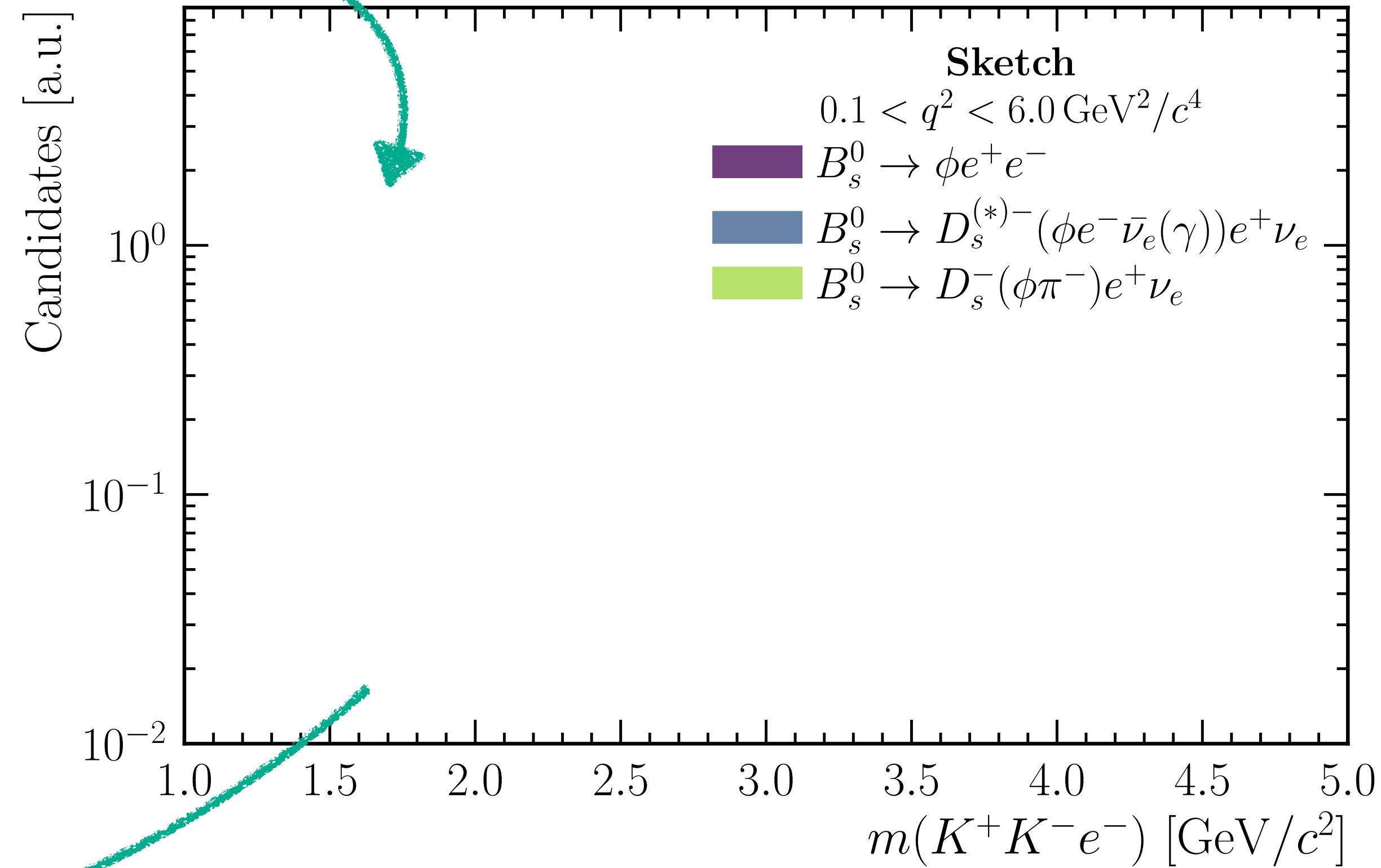
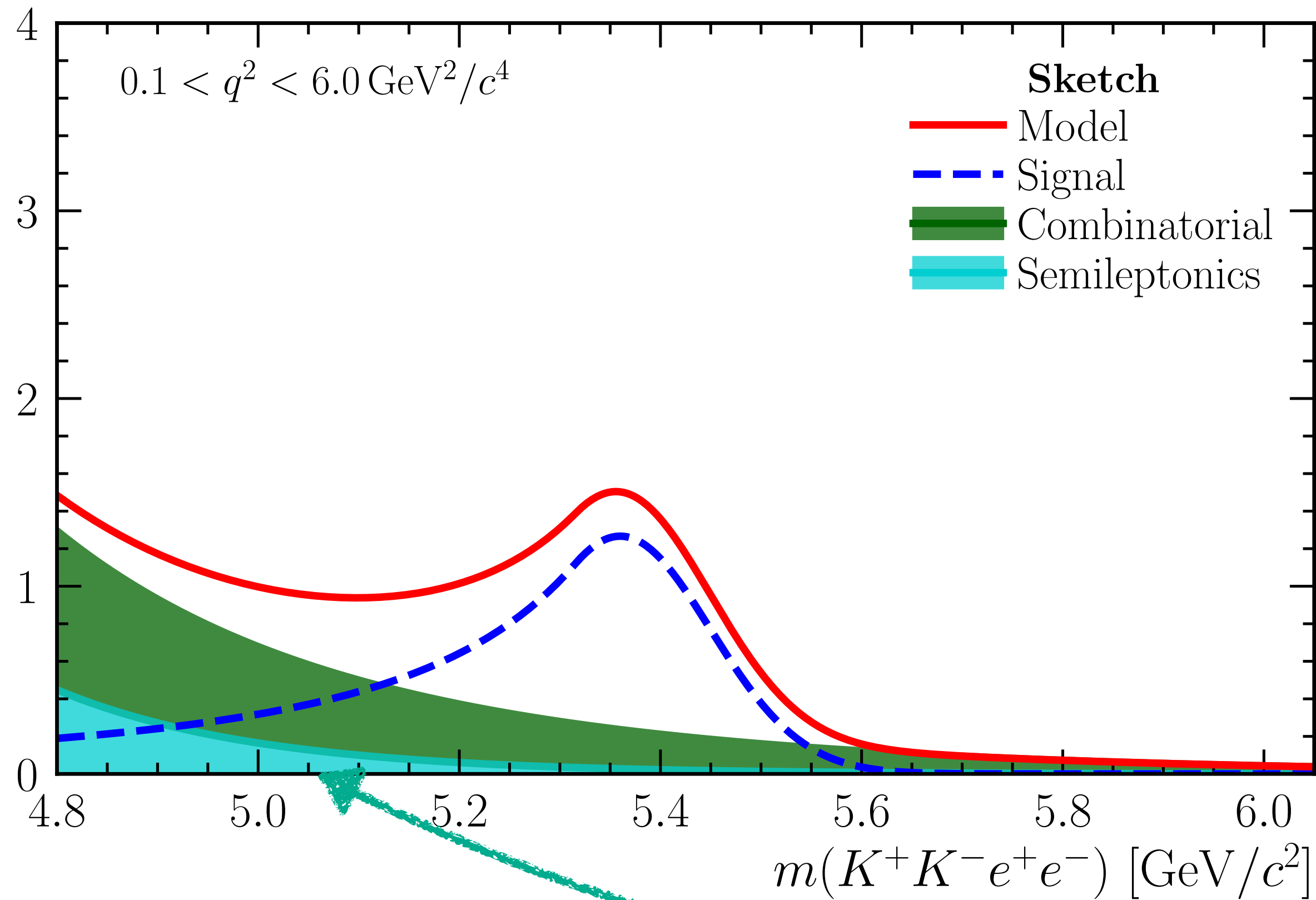
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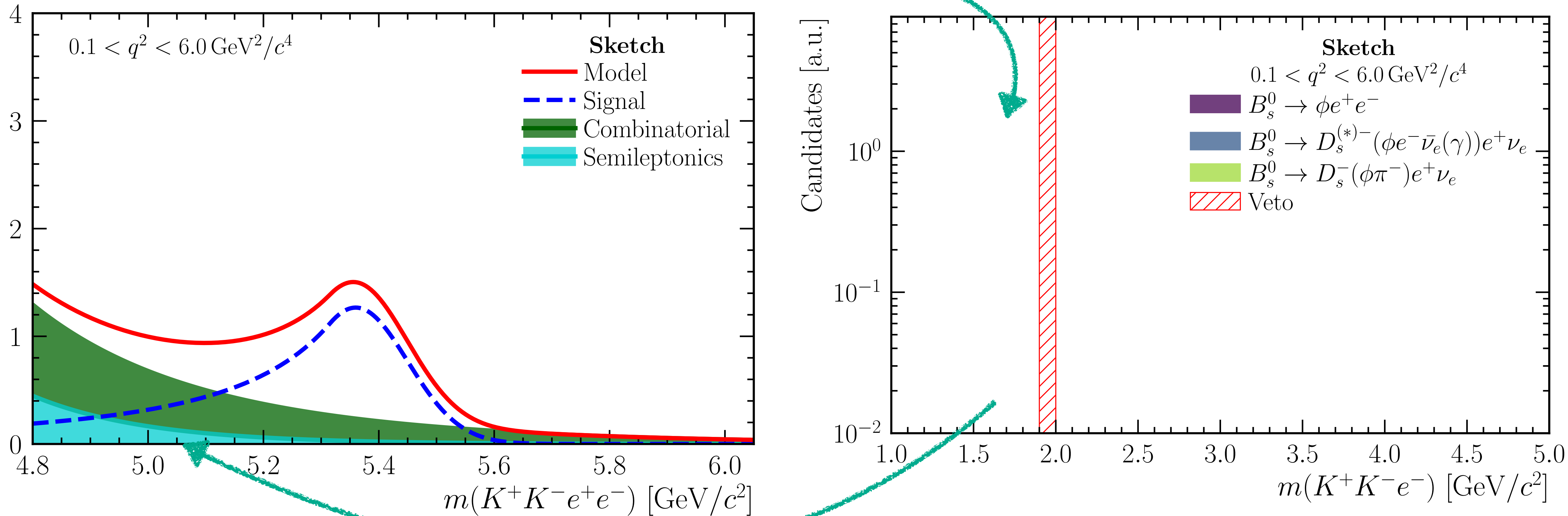
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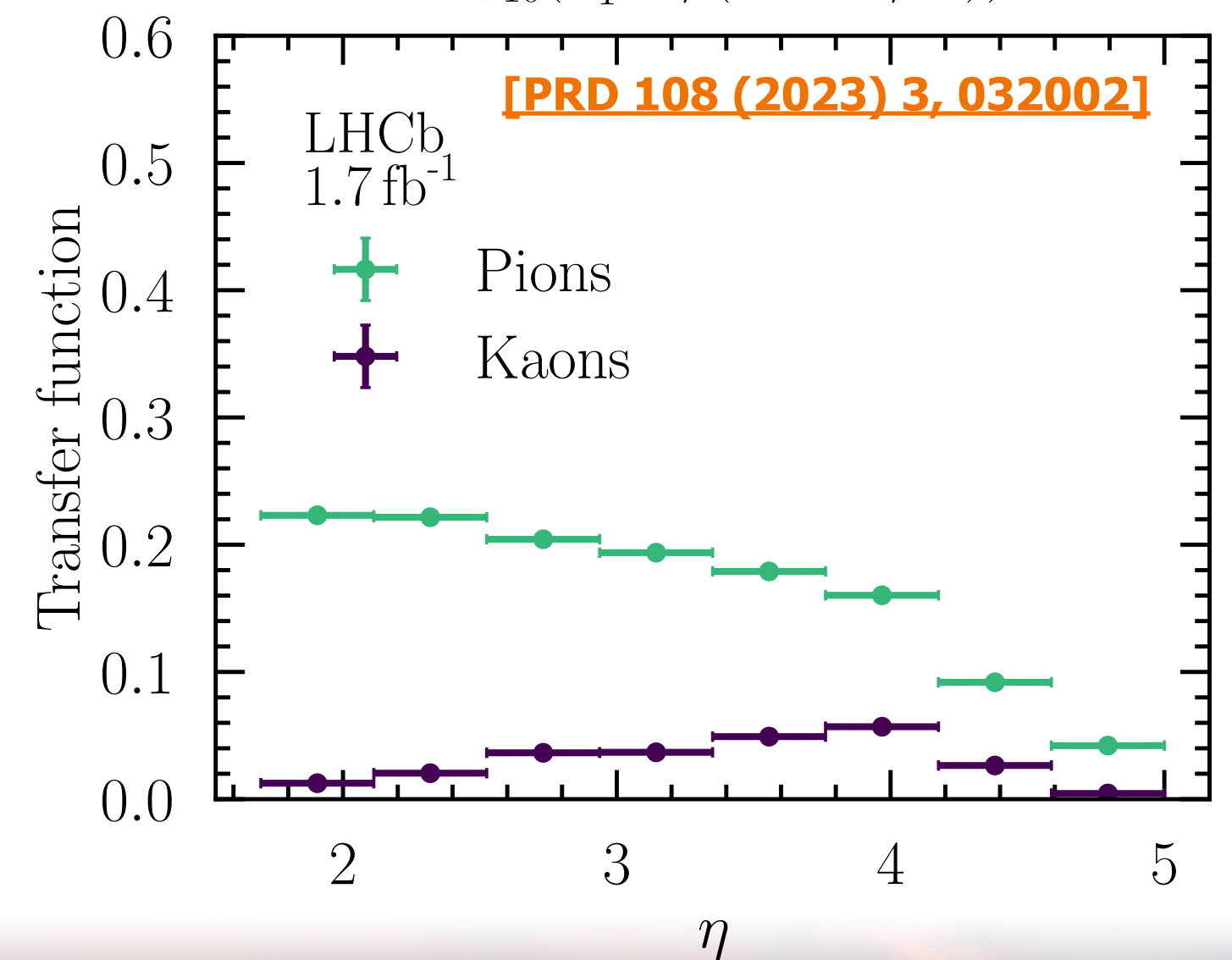
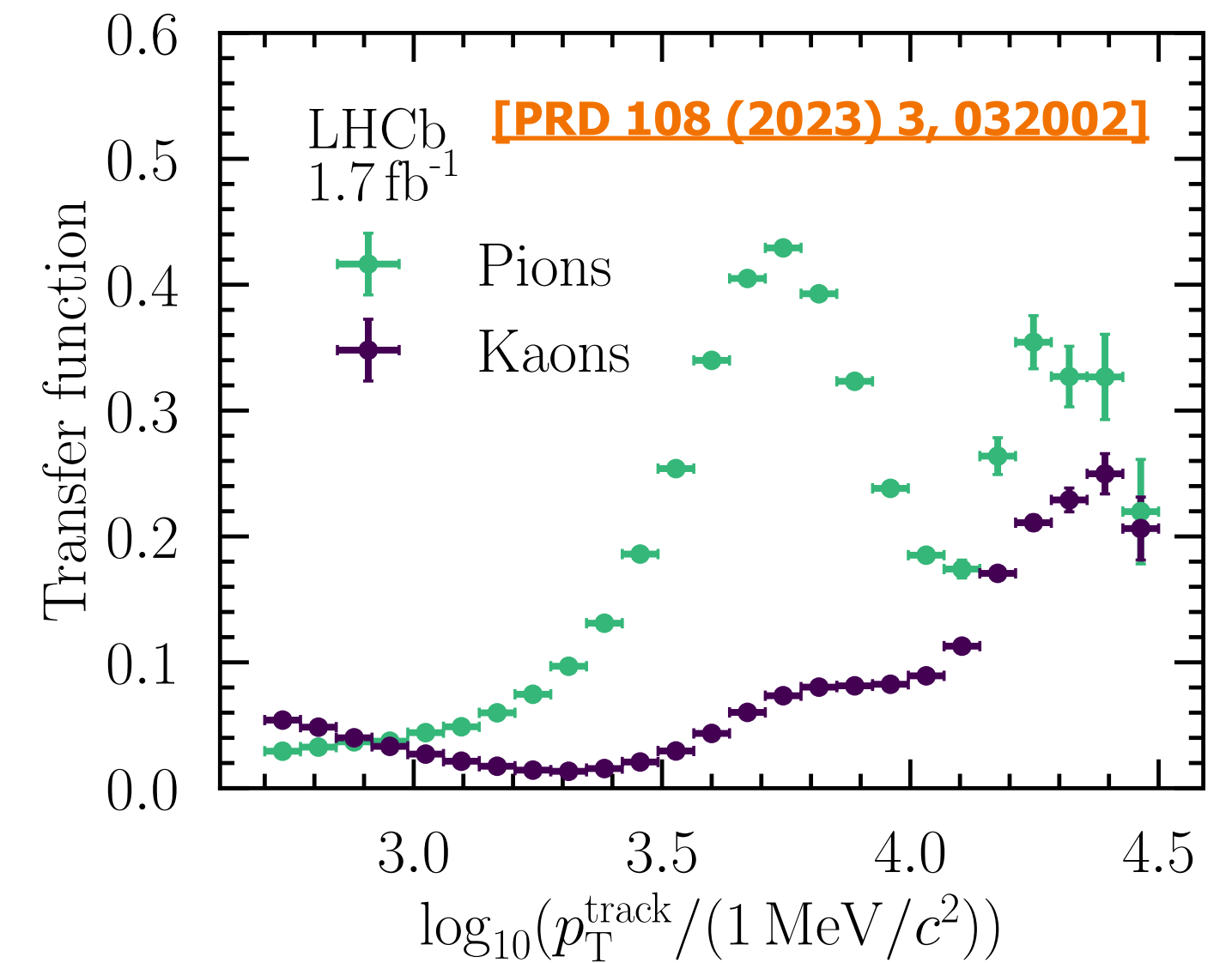
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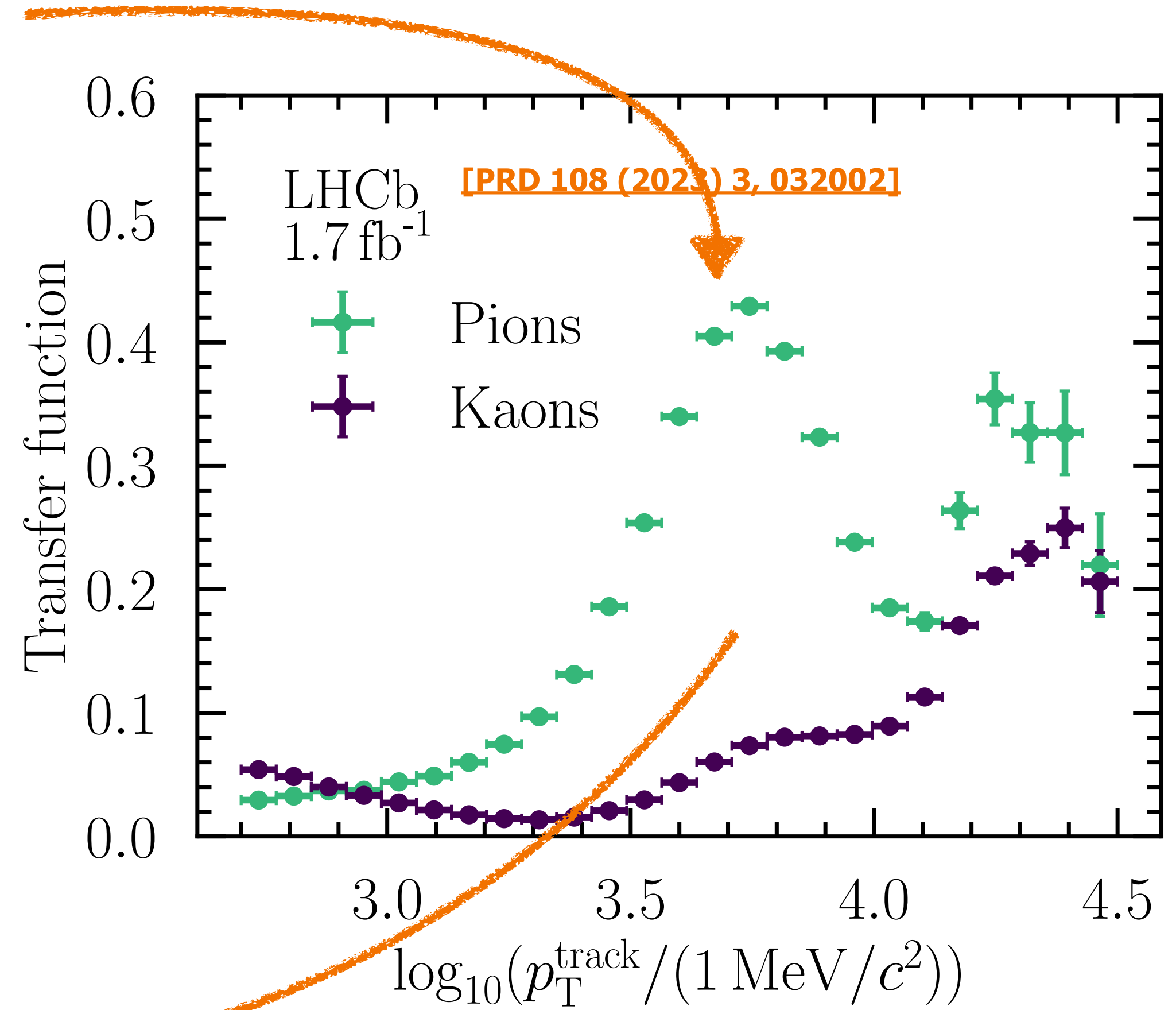
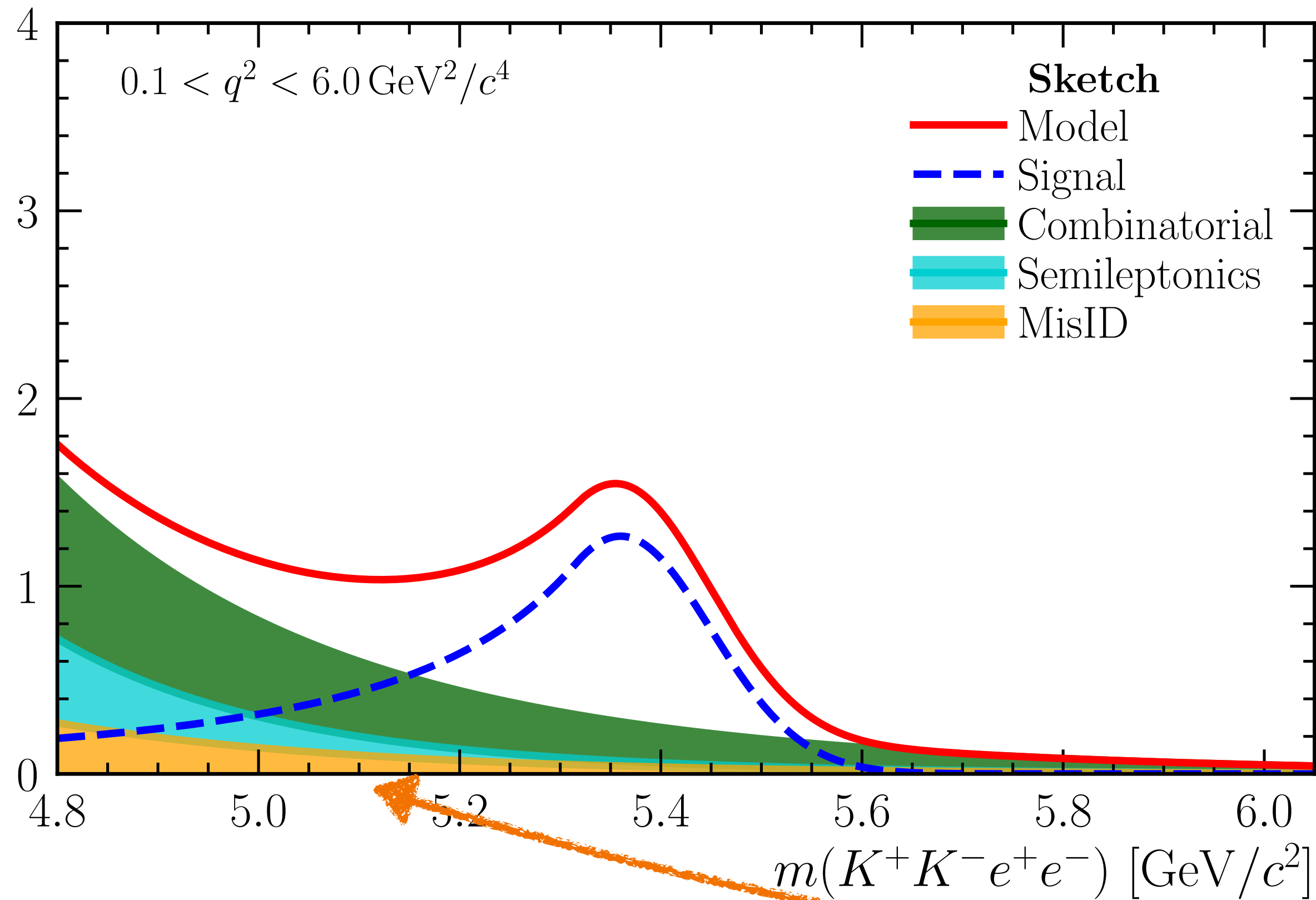
- **Data driven** estimate of residual  $h \rightarrow e$  mis-ID similar to [\[PRD 108 \(2023\) 3, 032002\]](#)
  - Extrapolate from background enriched control region which inverts the PID requirements
  - 3 regions:  $e_{\text{fail}}^+ e_{\text{pass}}^-$ ,  $e_{\text{pass}}^+ e_{\text{fail}}^-$ , and  $e_{\text{fail}}^+ e_{\text{fail}}^-$
- Build **transfer functions**  $T_h(p_T, \eta, L0_e)$  from calibration samples
  - Encode **probability** for candidate in background region to be reconstructed in signal region
- Obtain prediction for **shape** and **amount** of residual backgrounds!
- Validated using  $D \rightarrow K\pi$  decays in  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi e^+ e^-$  data





# ELECTRON FITS: MISID BACKGROUND

- **Wider mass range** due to compromised resolution, pronounced tails
- Hadron to electron mis-identification plays a role

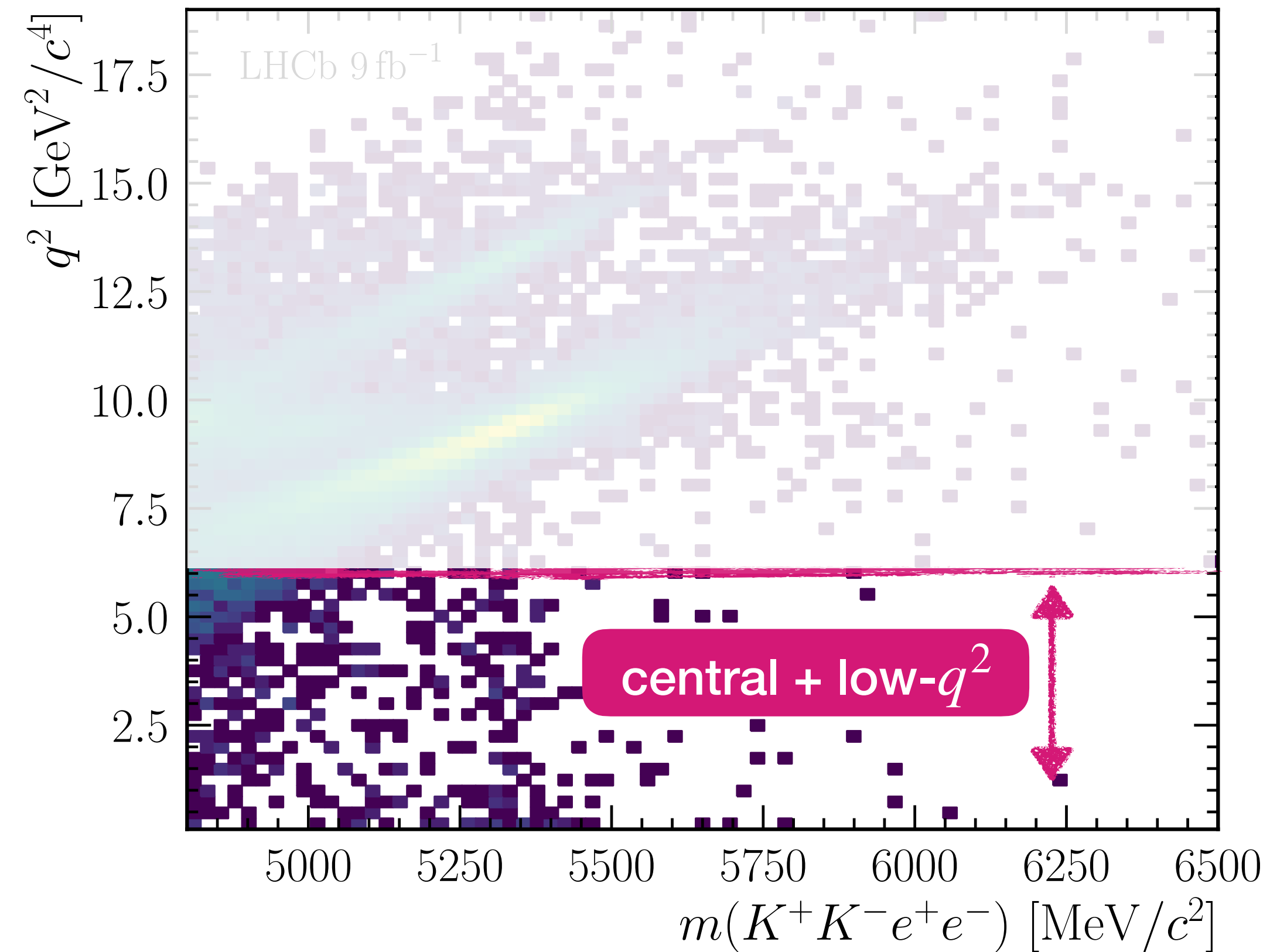
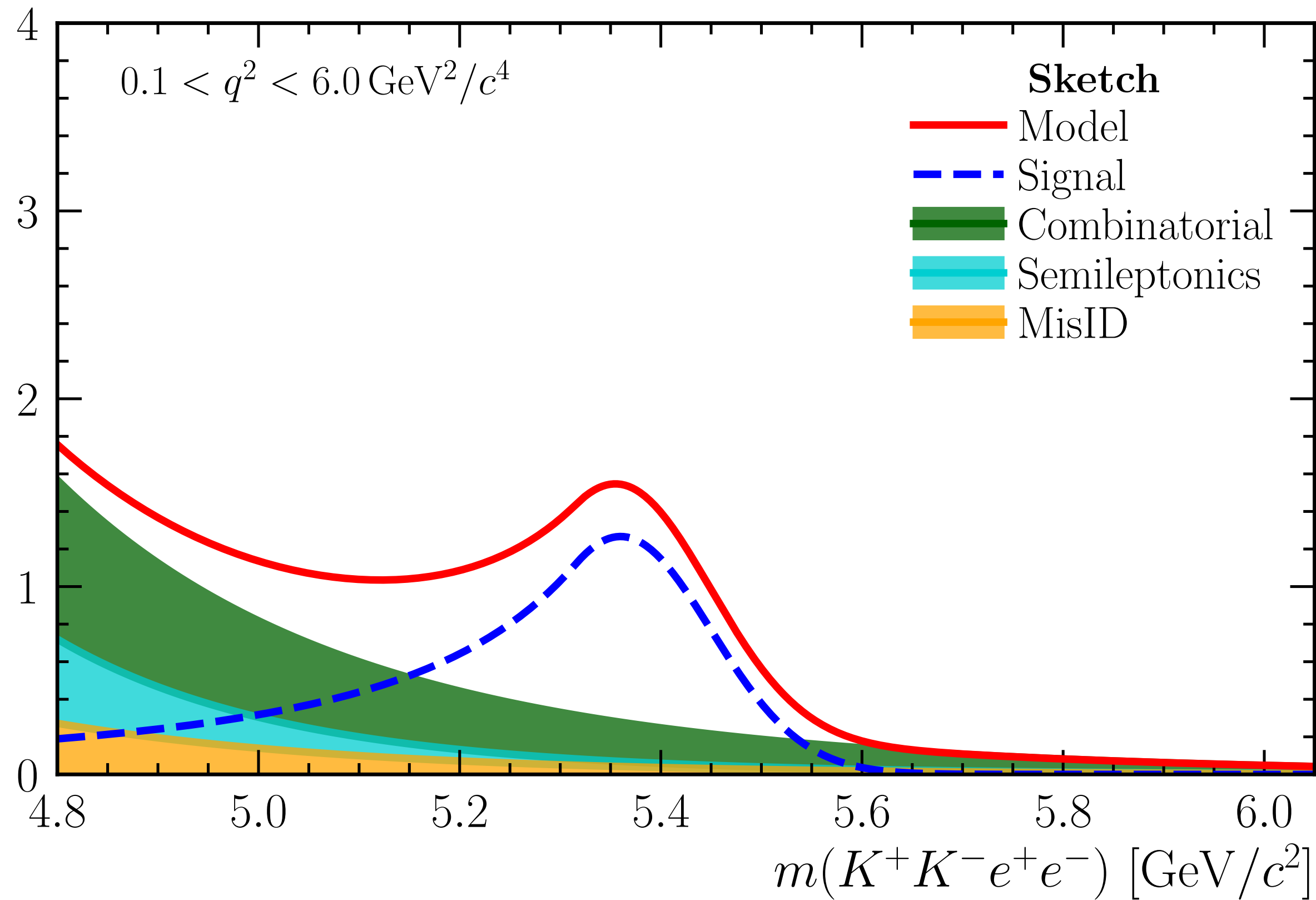




# ELECTRON FITS: LEAKAGE BACKGROUND

- **Wider mass range** due to compromised resolution, pronounced tails
  - Leakage from  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi J/\psi (\rightarrow e^+e^-)$  with missed bremsstrahlung  $\gamma$

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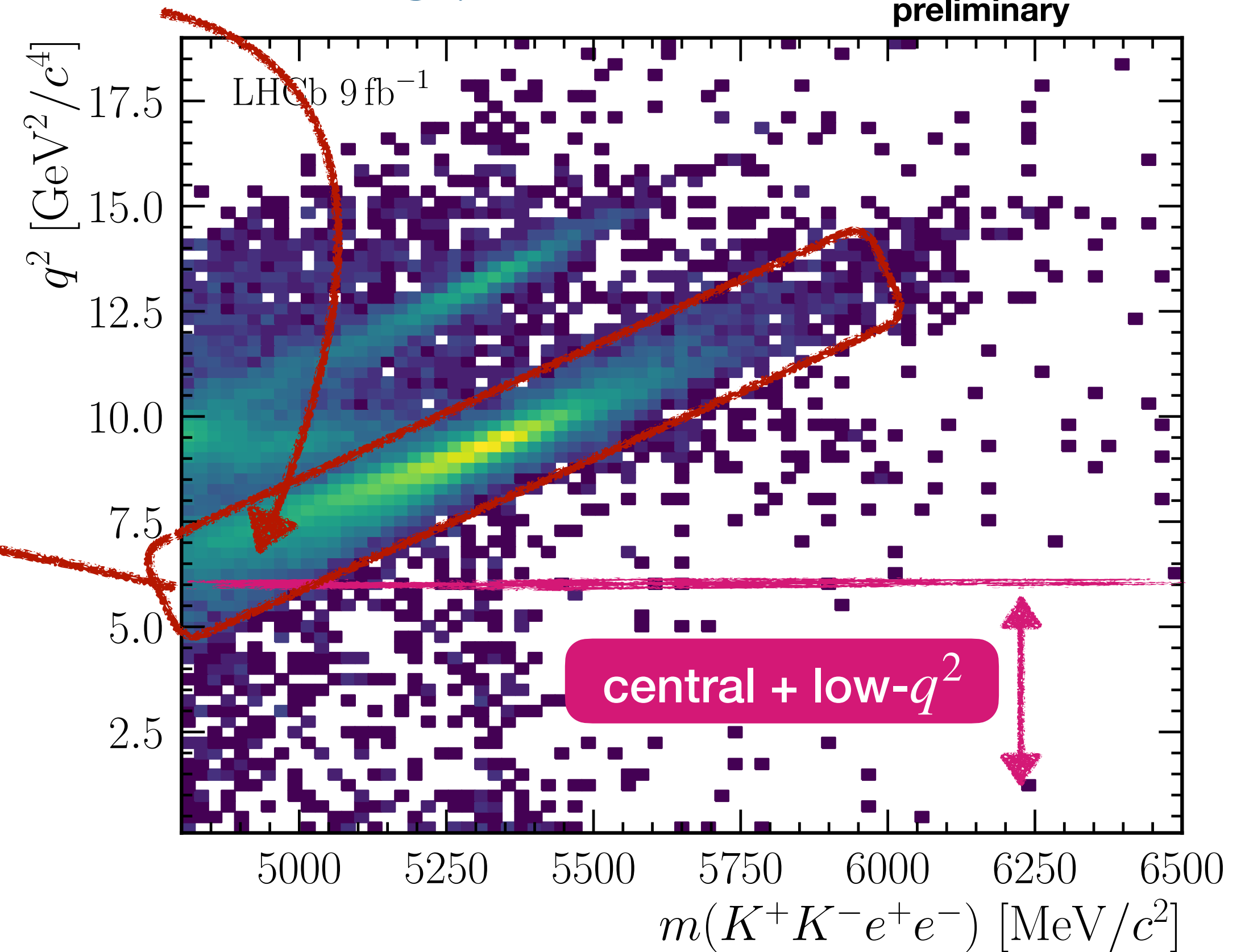
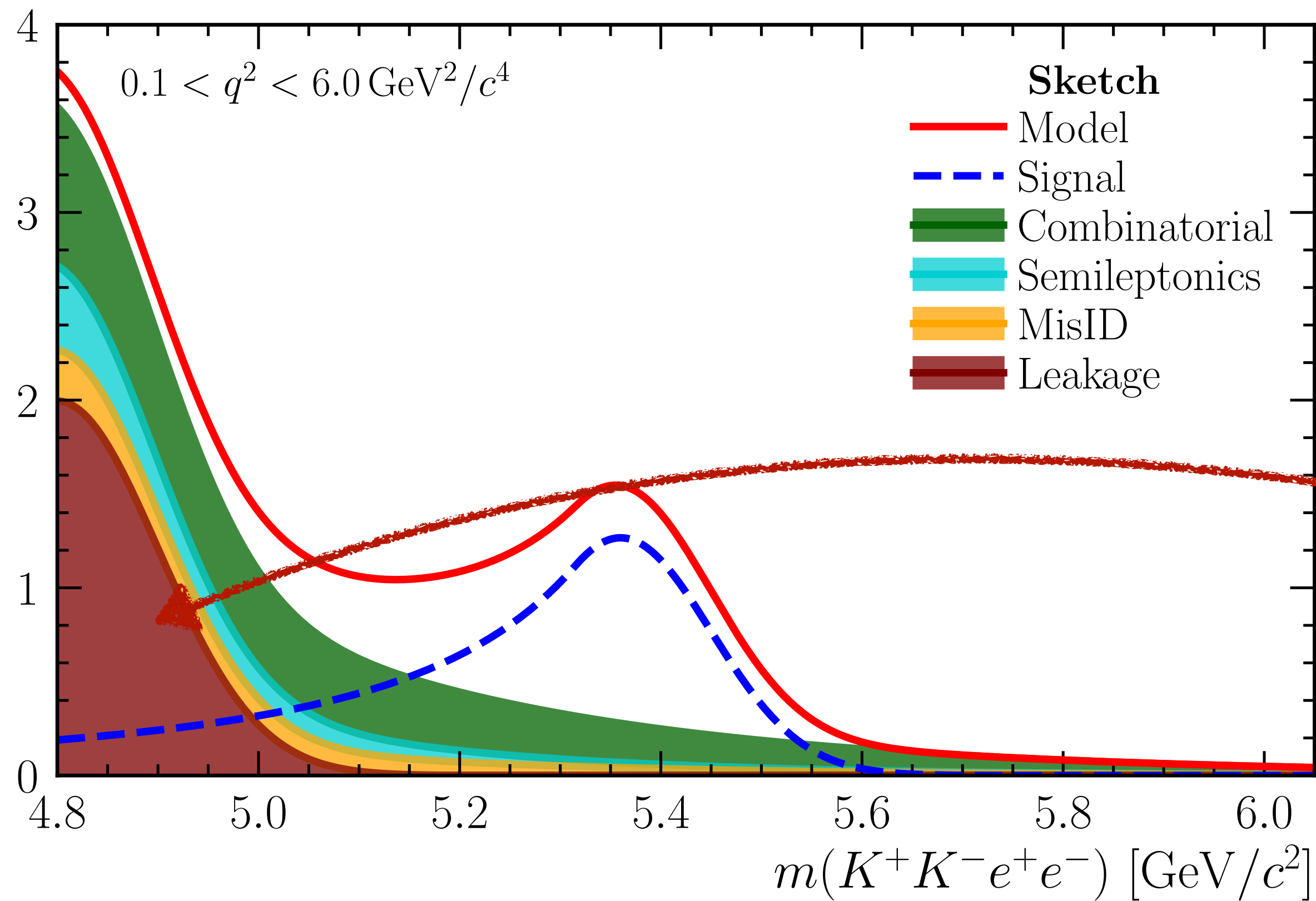




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[LHCb-PAPER-2024-032]  
preliminary

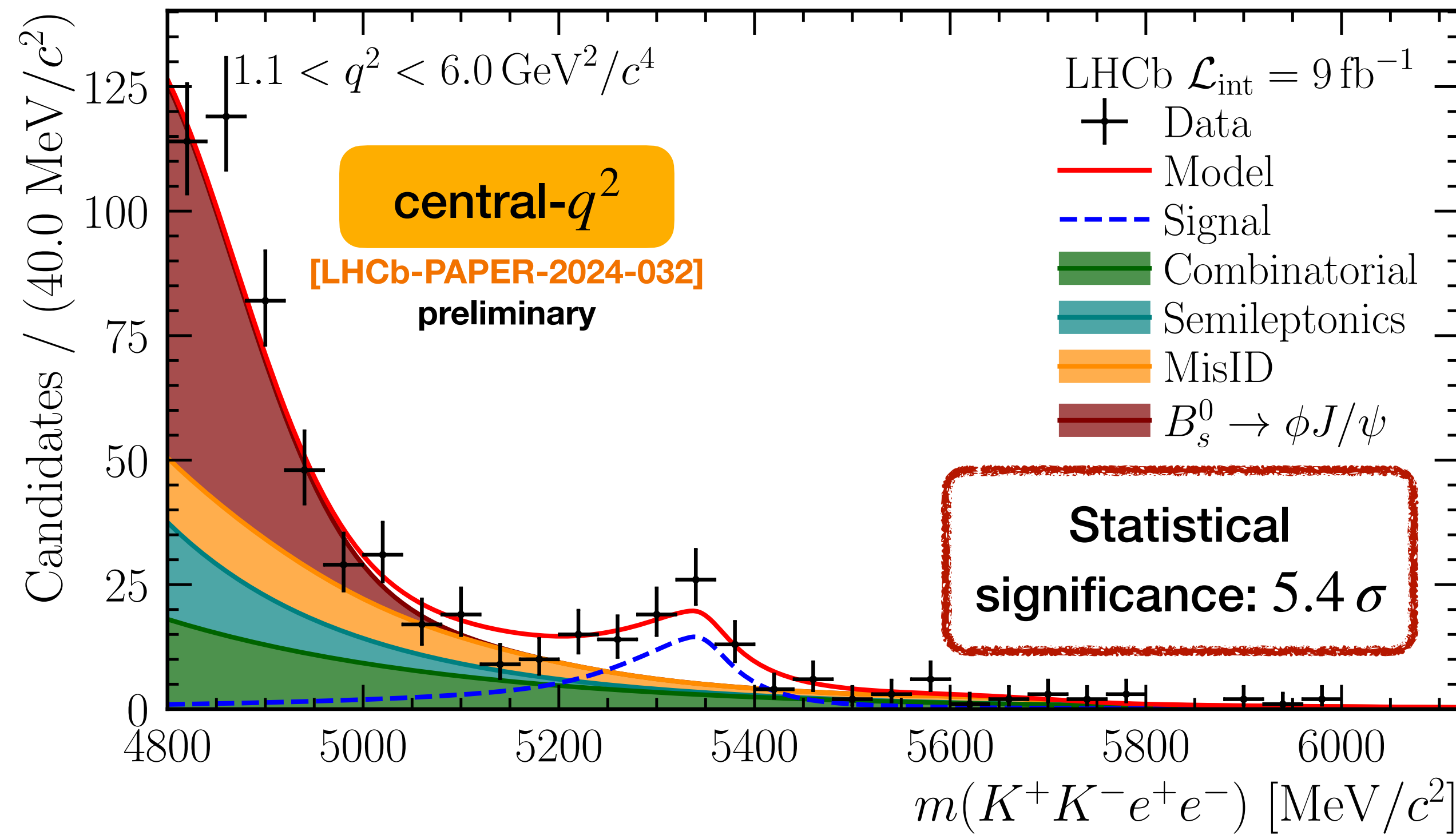
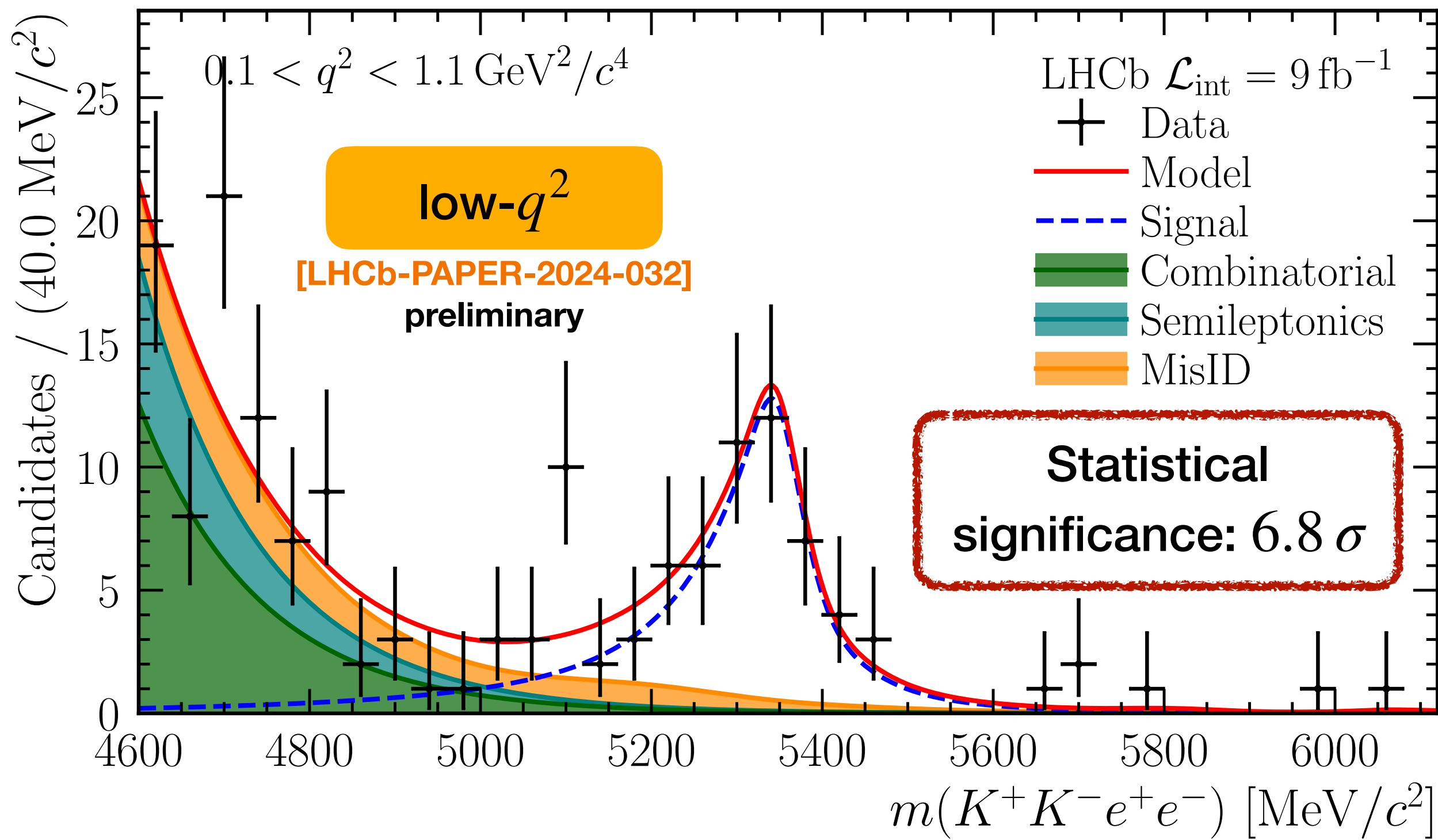




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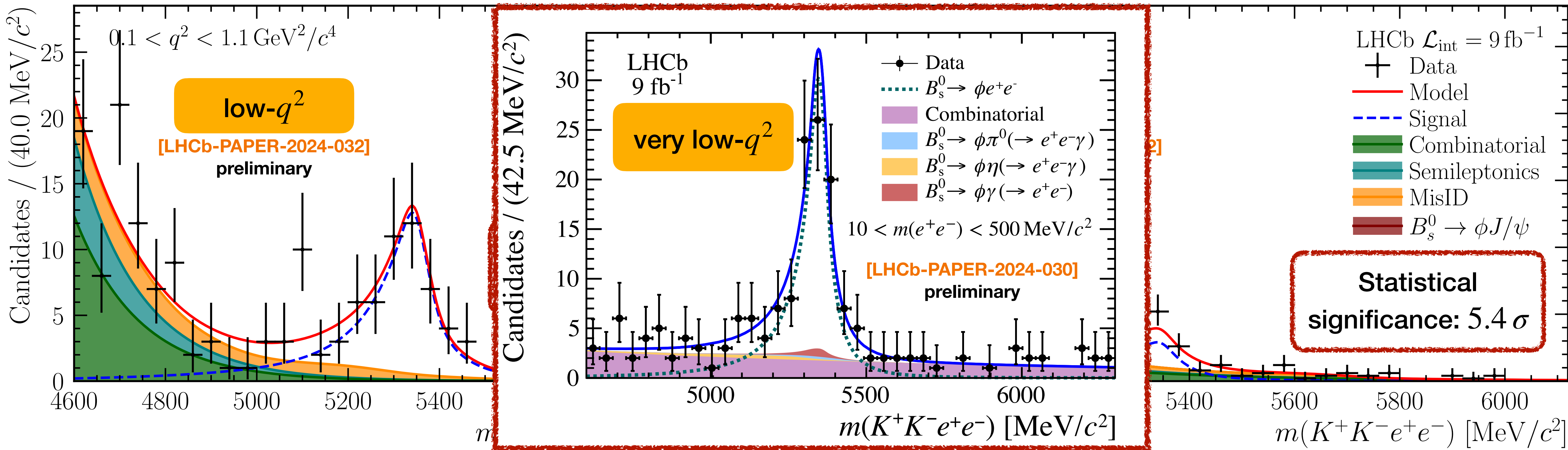




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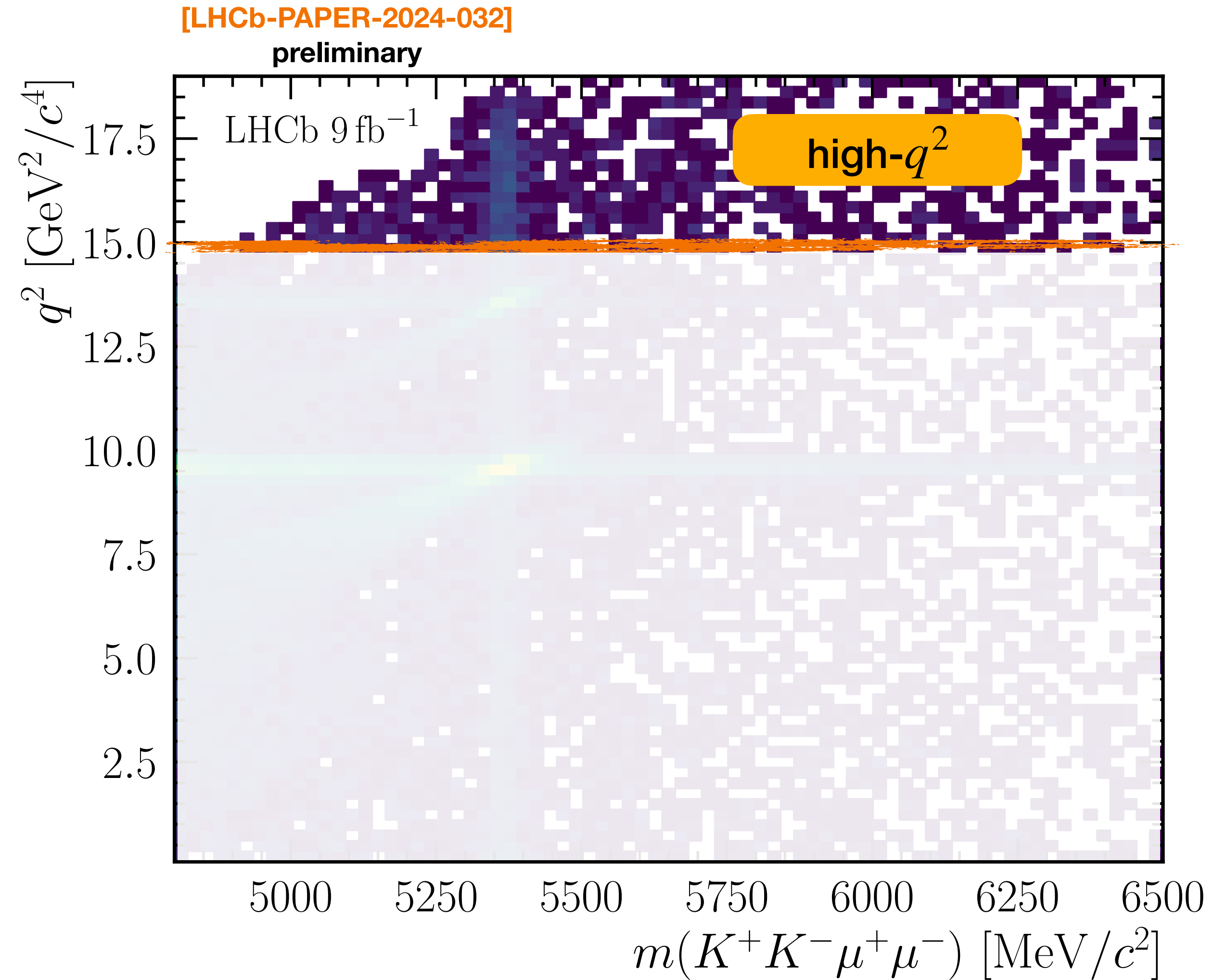
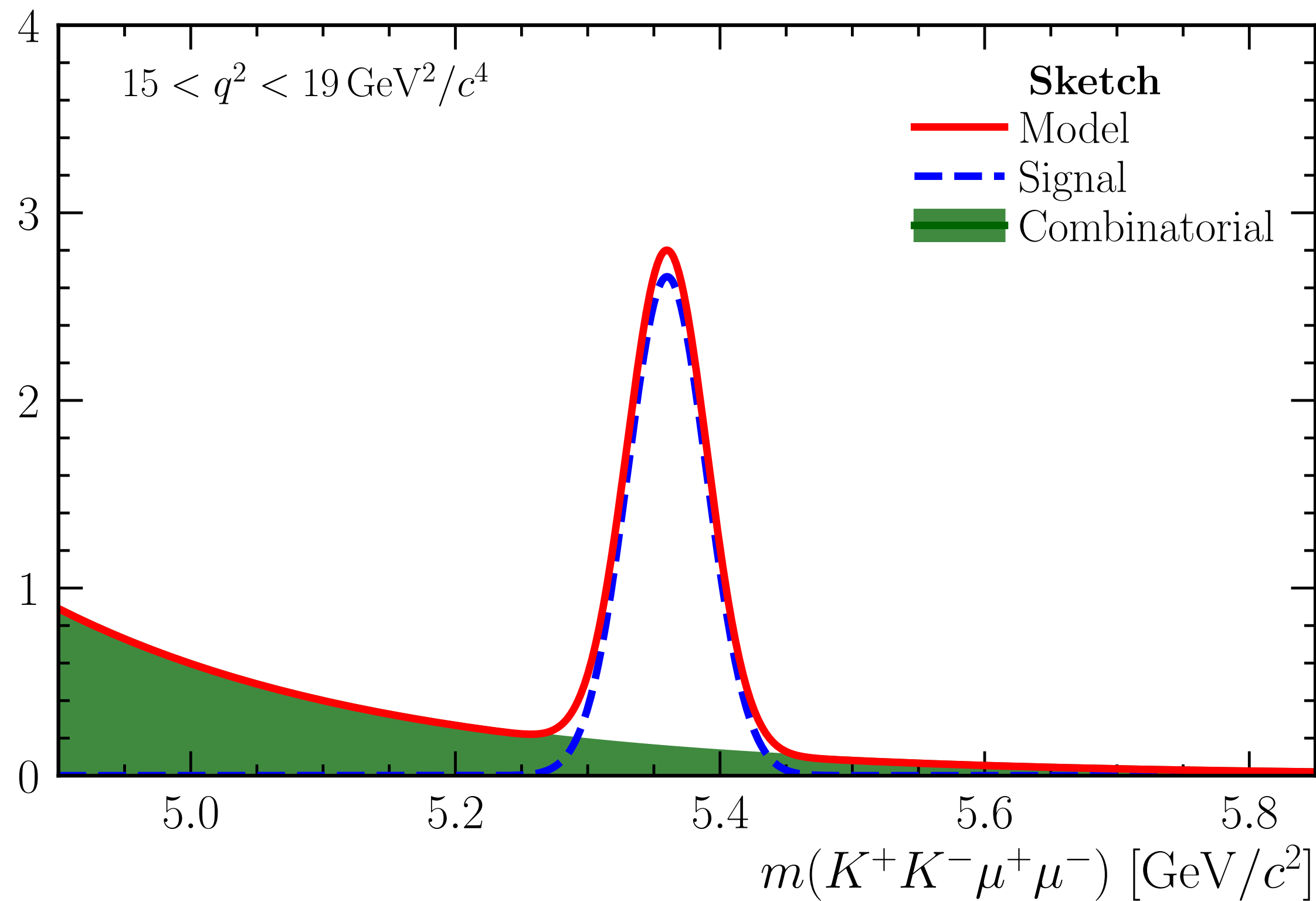
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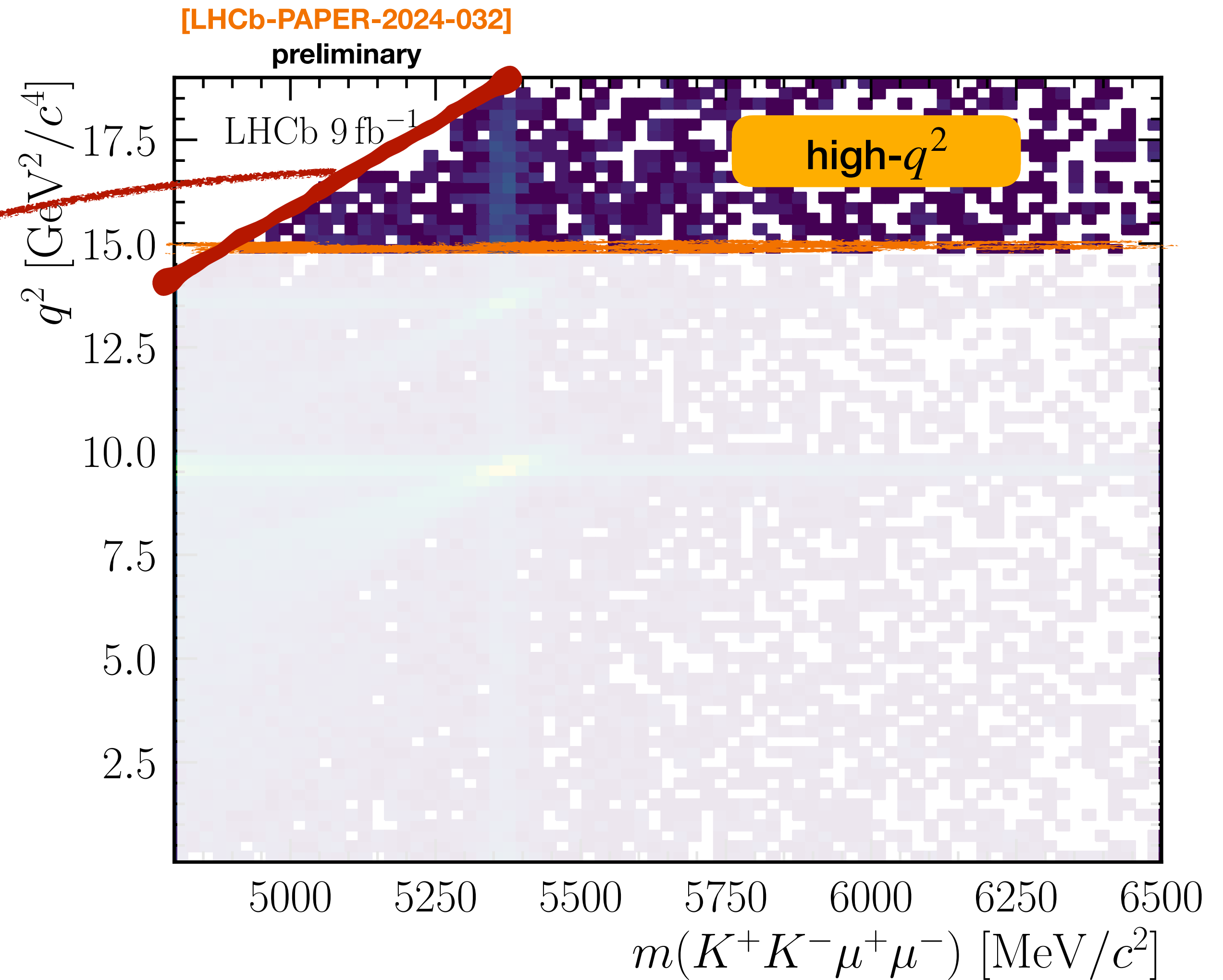
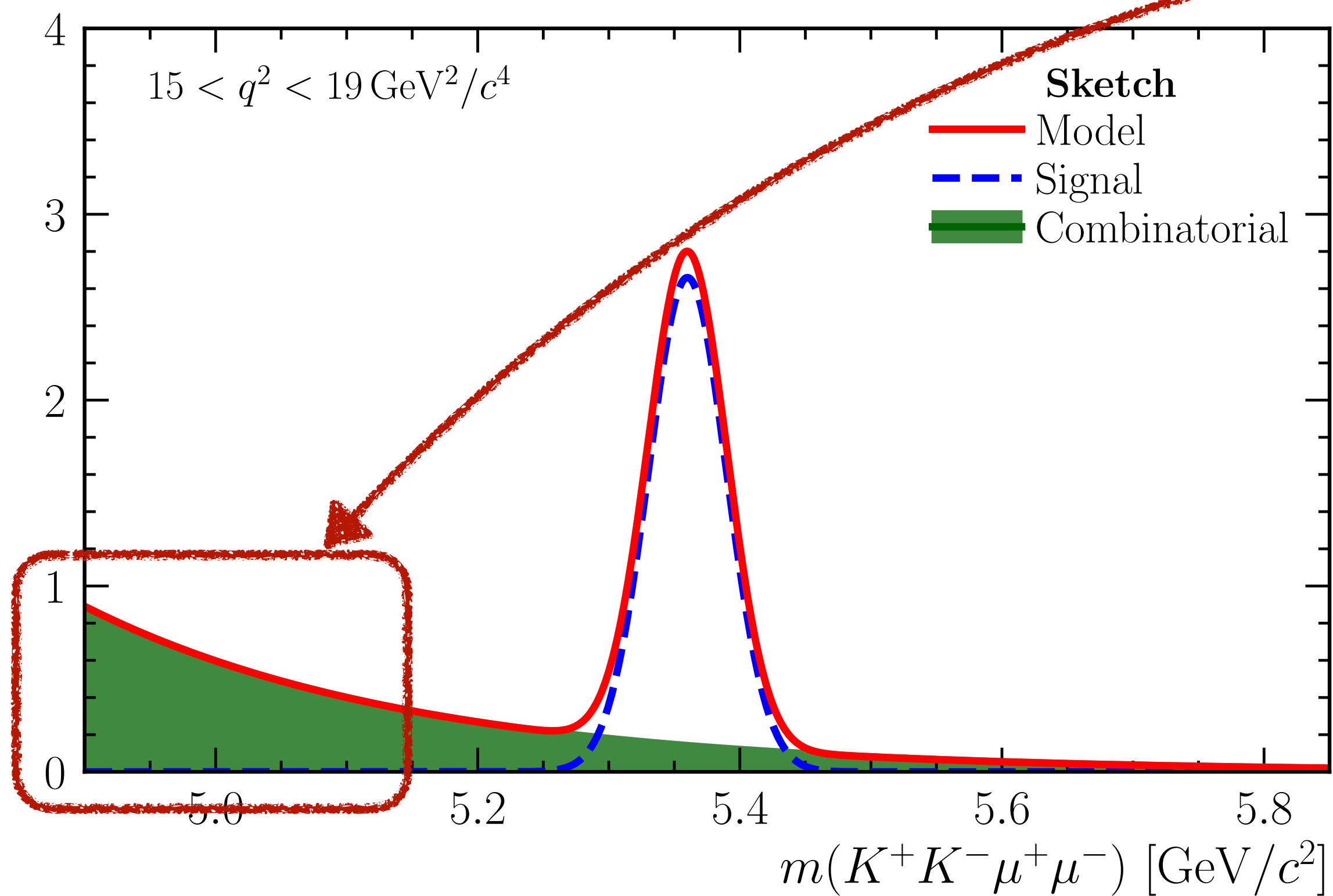
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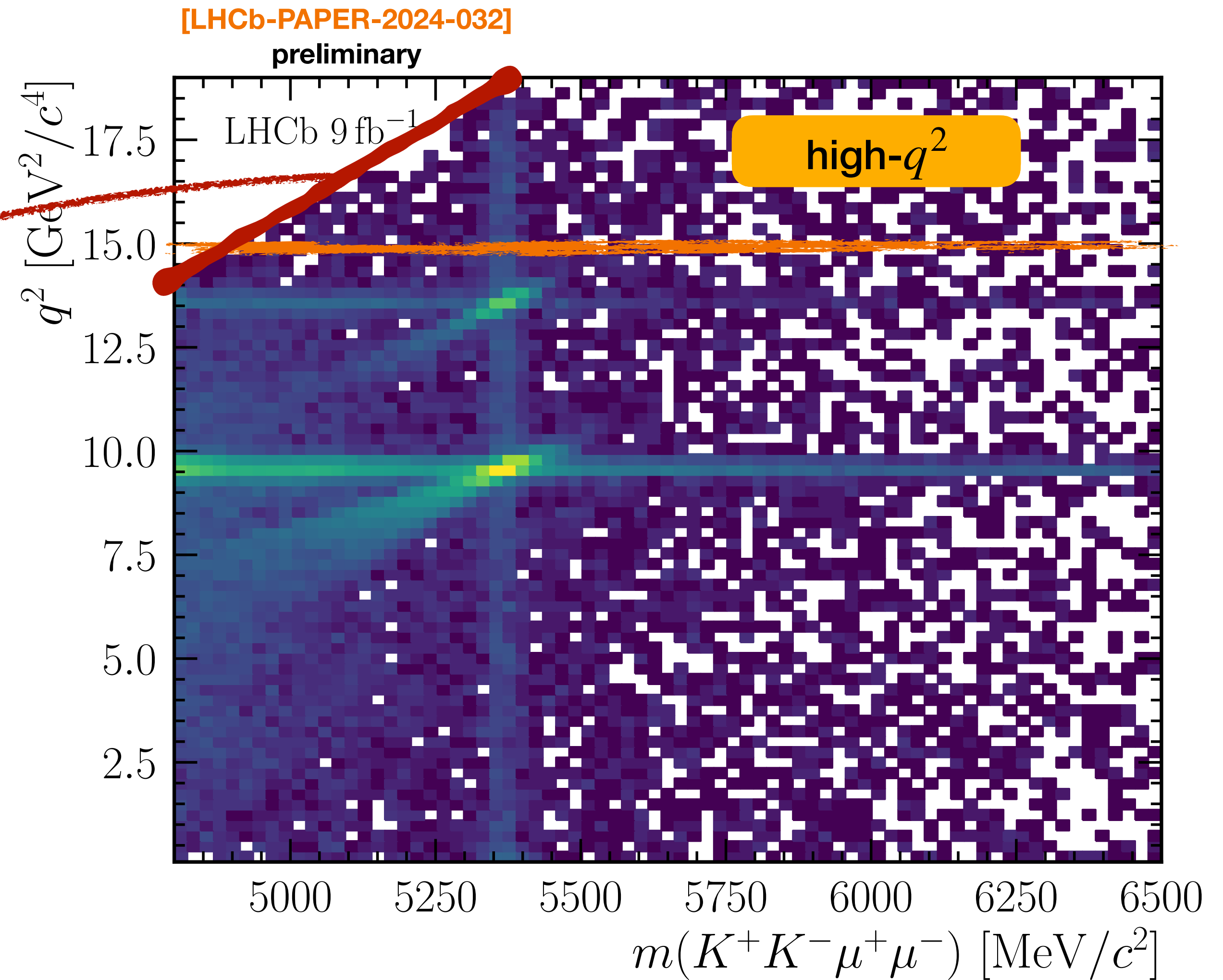
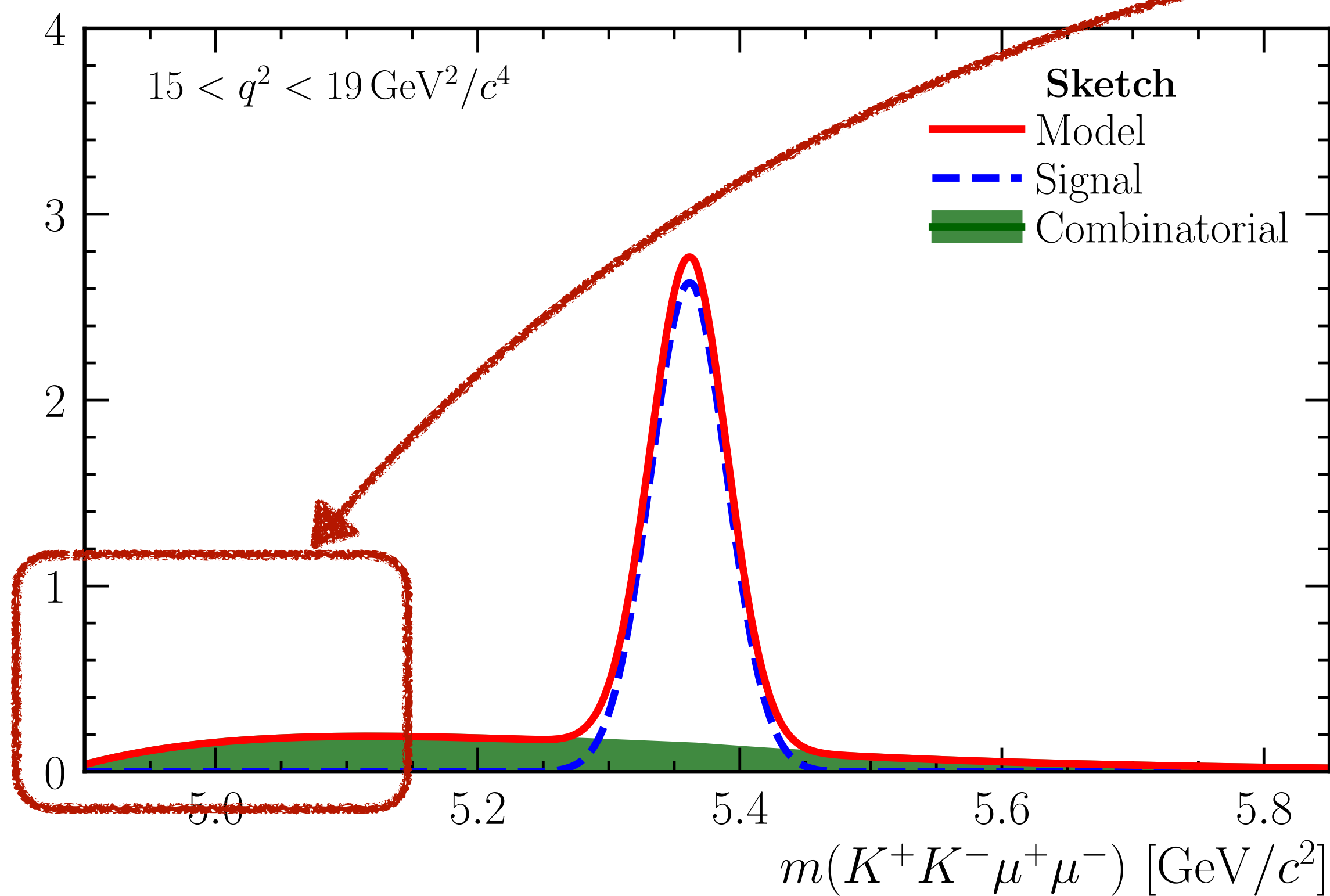
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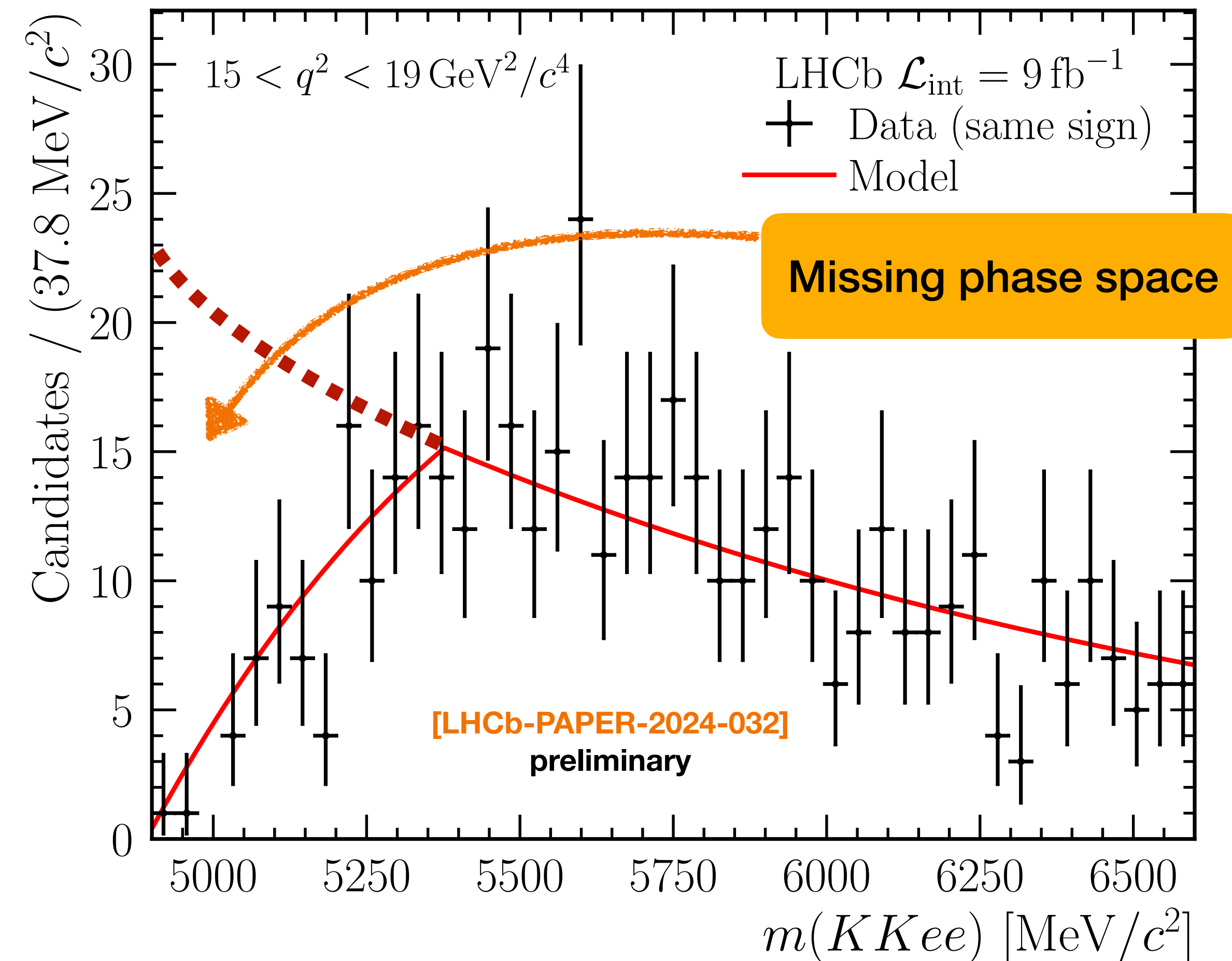
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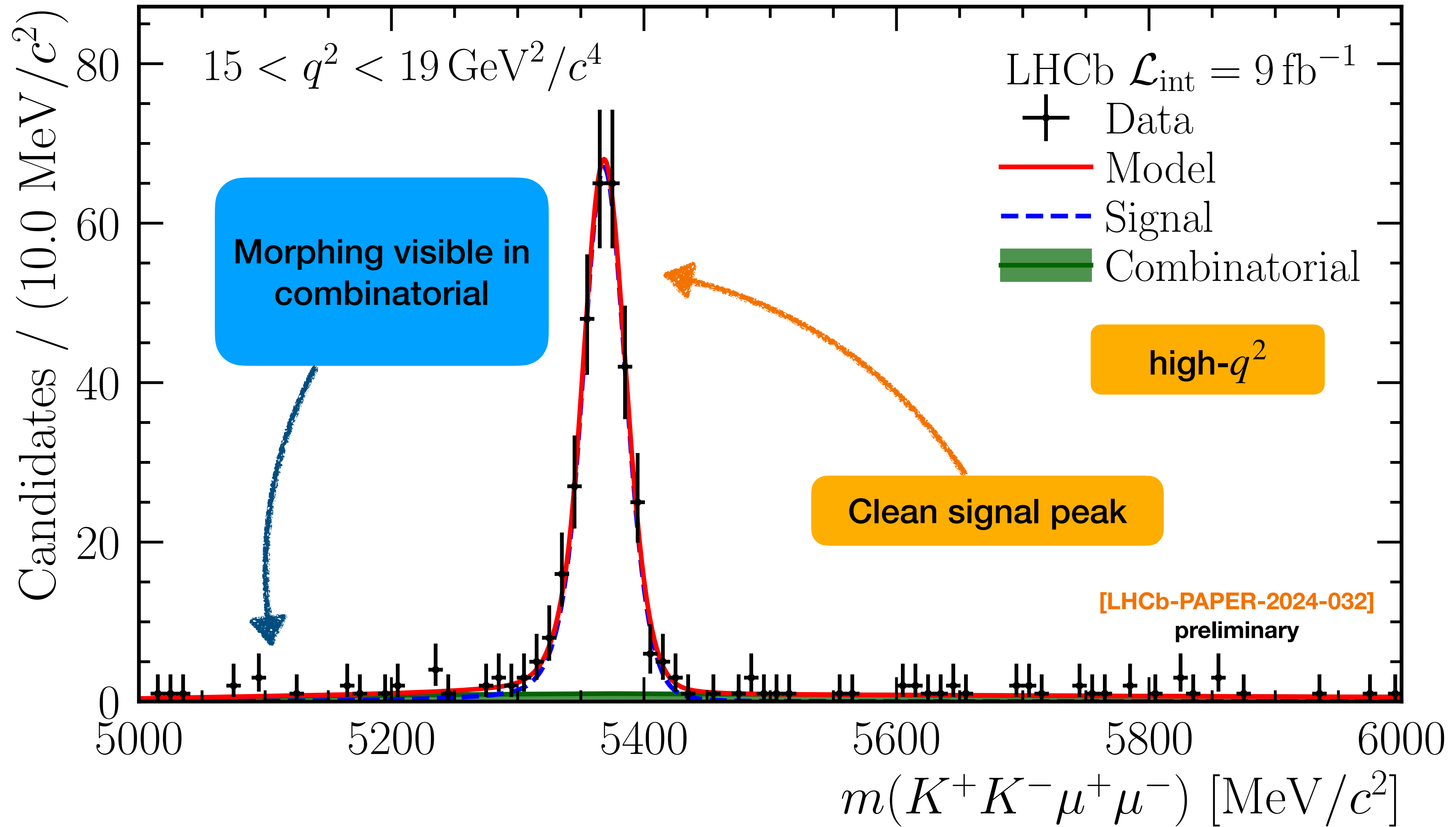
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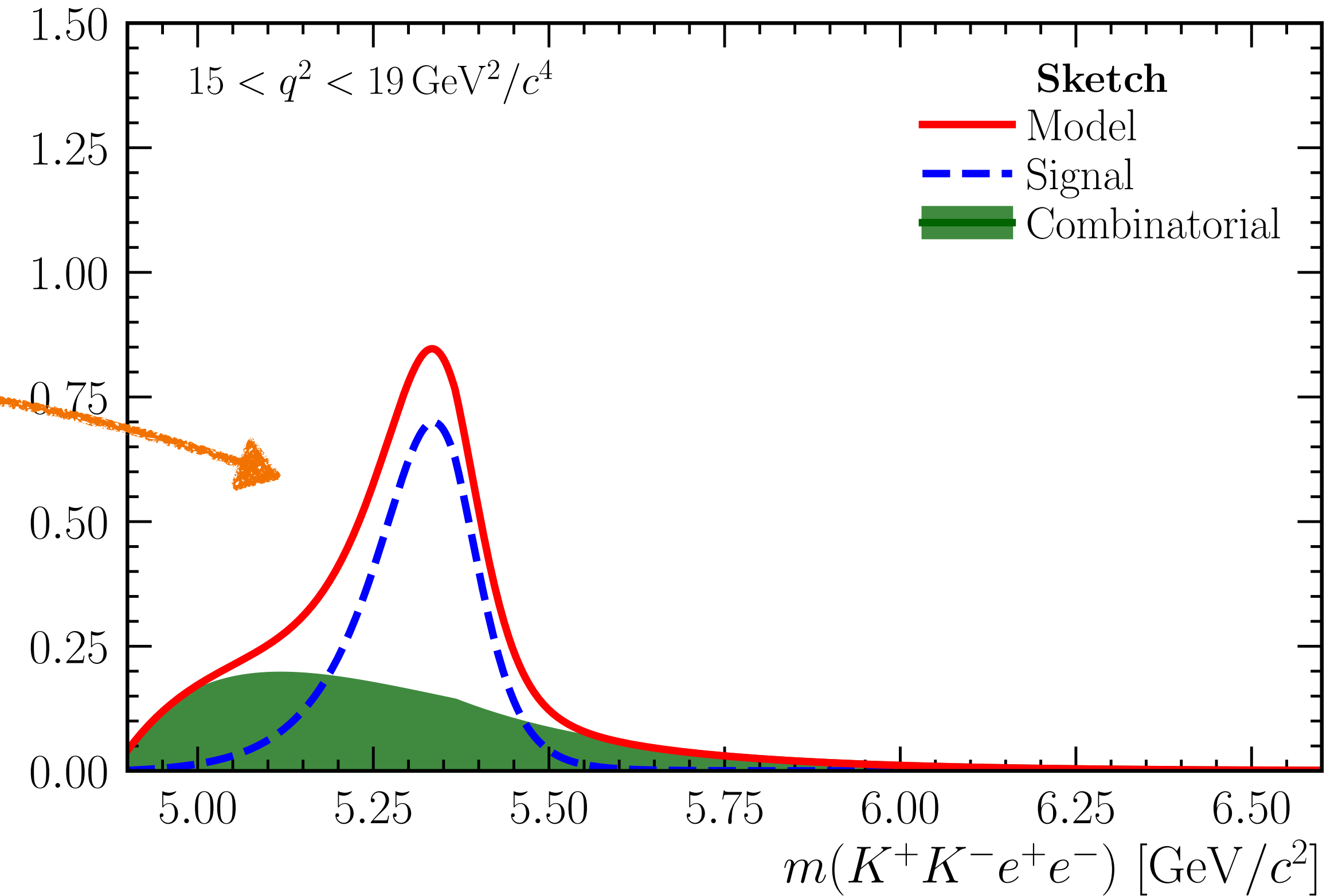
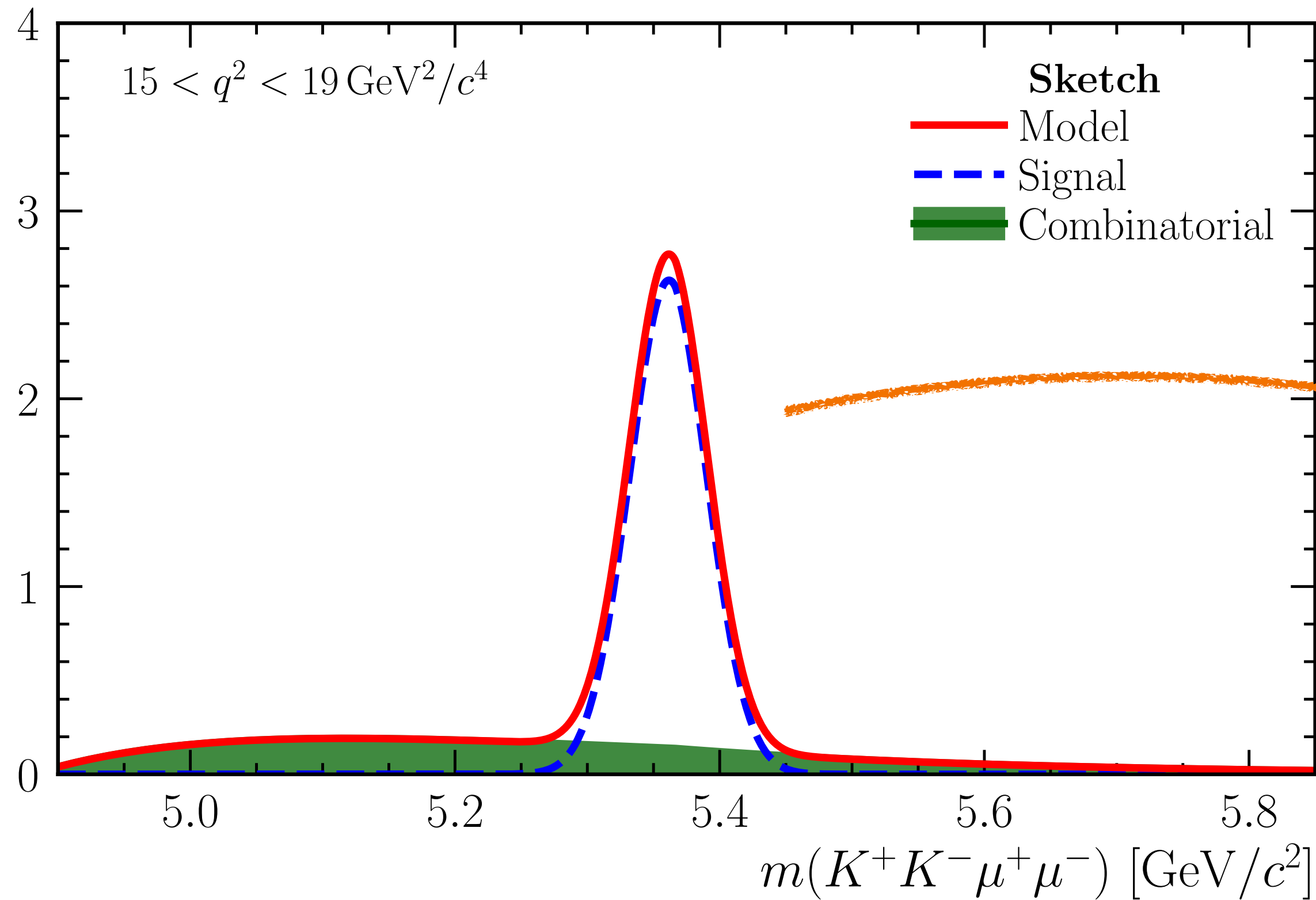




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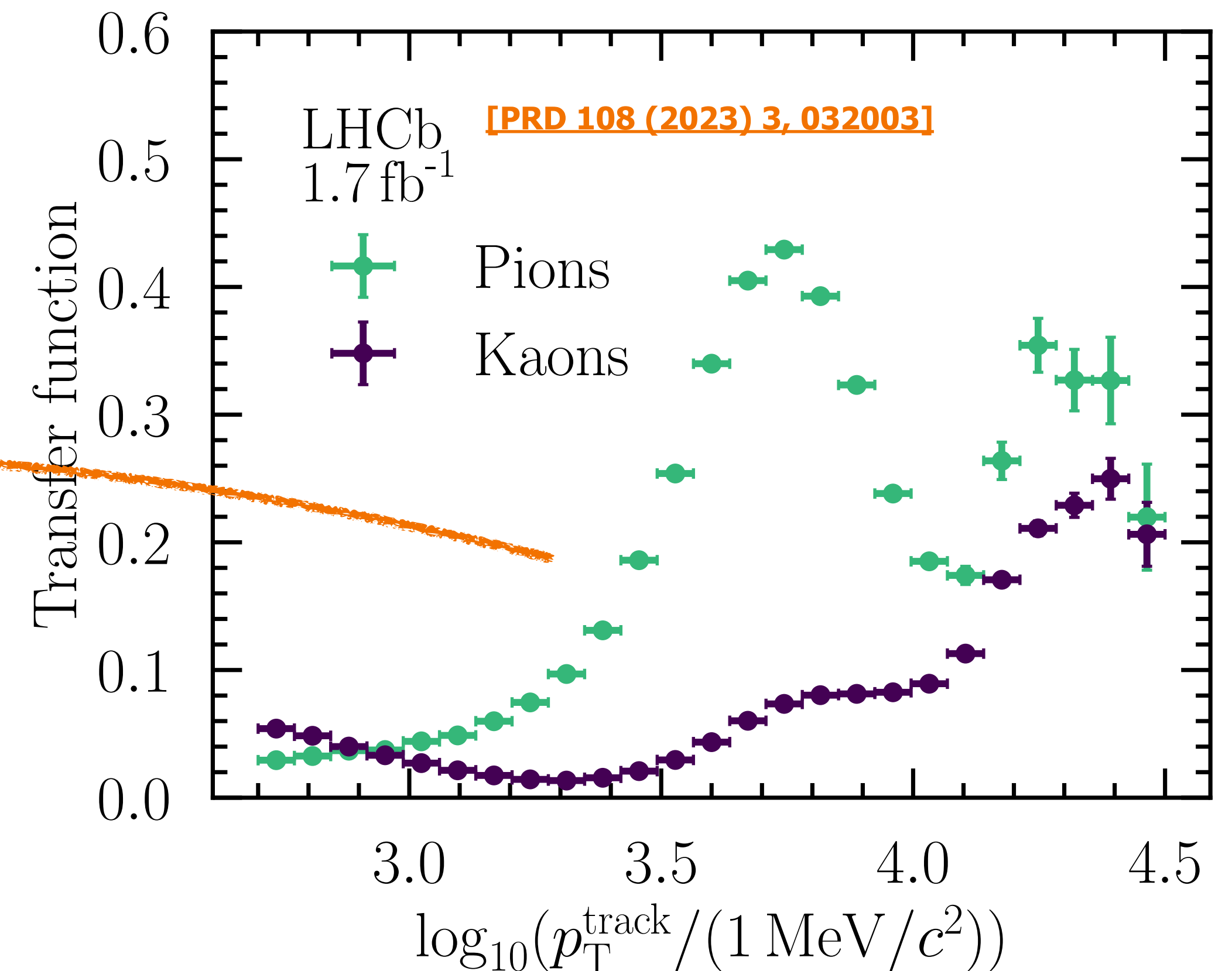
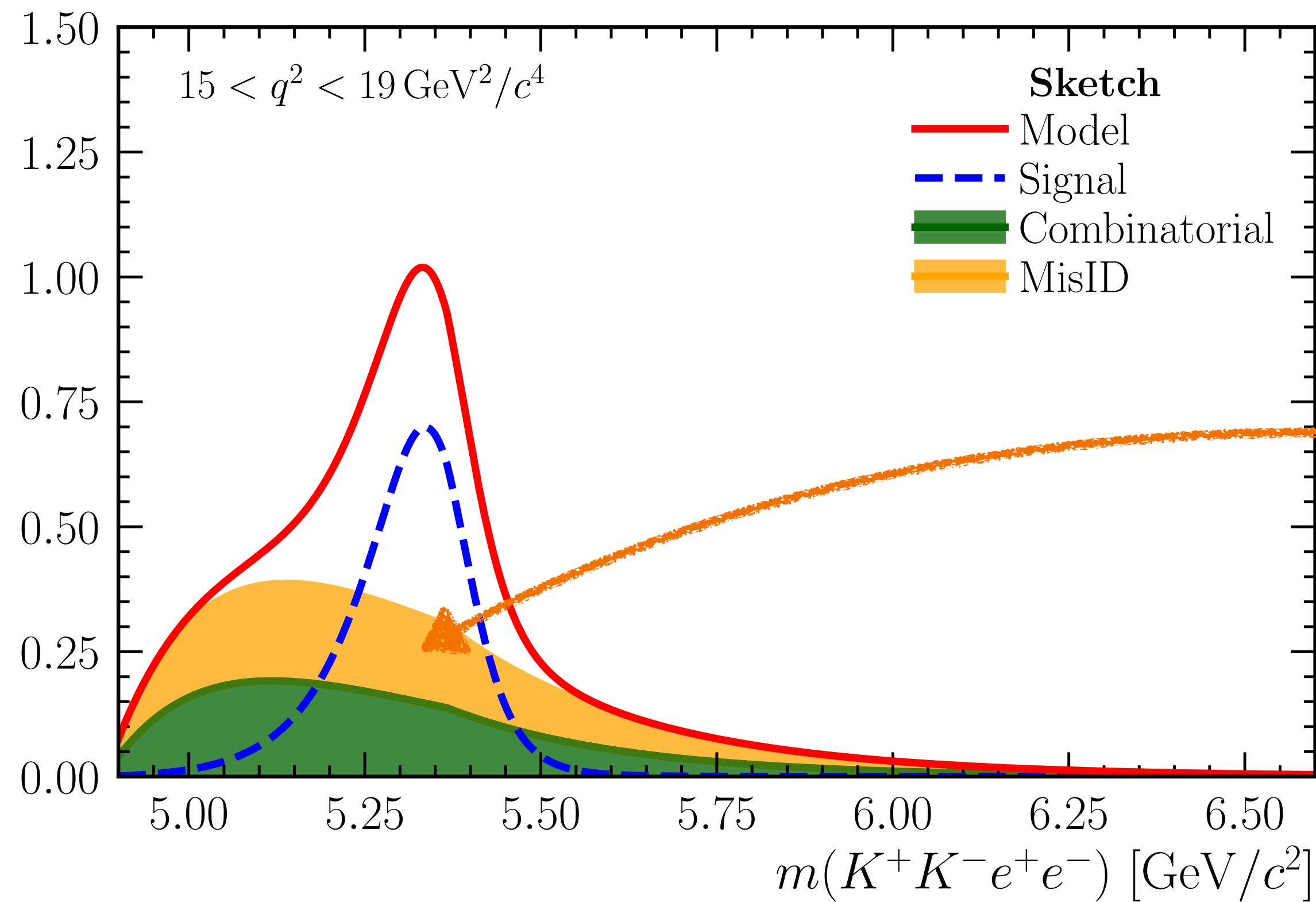




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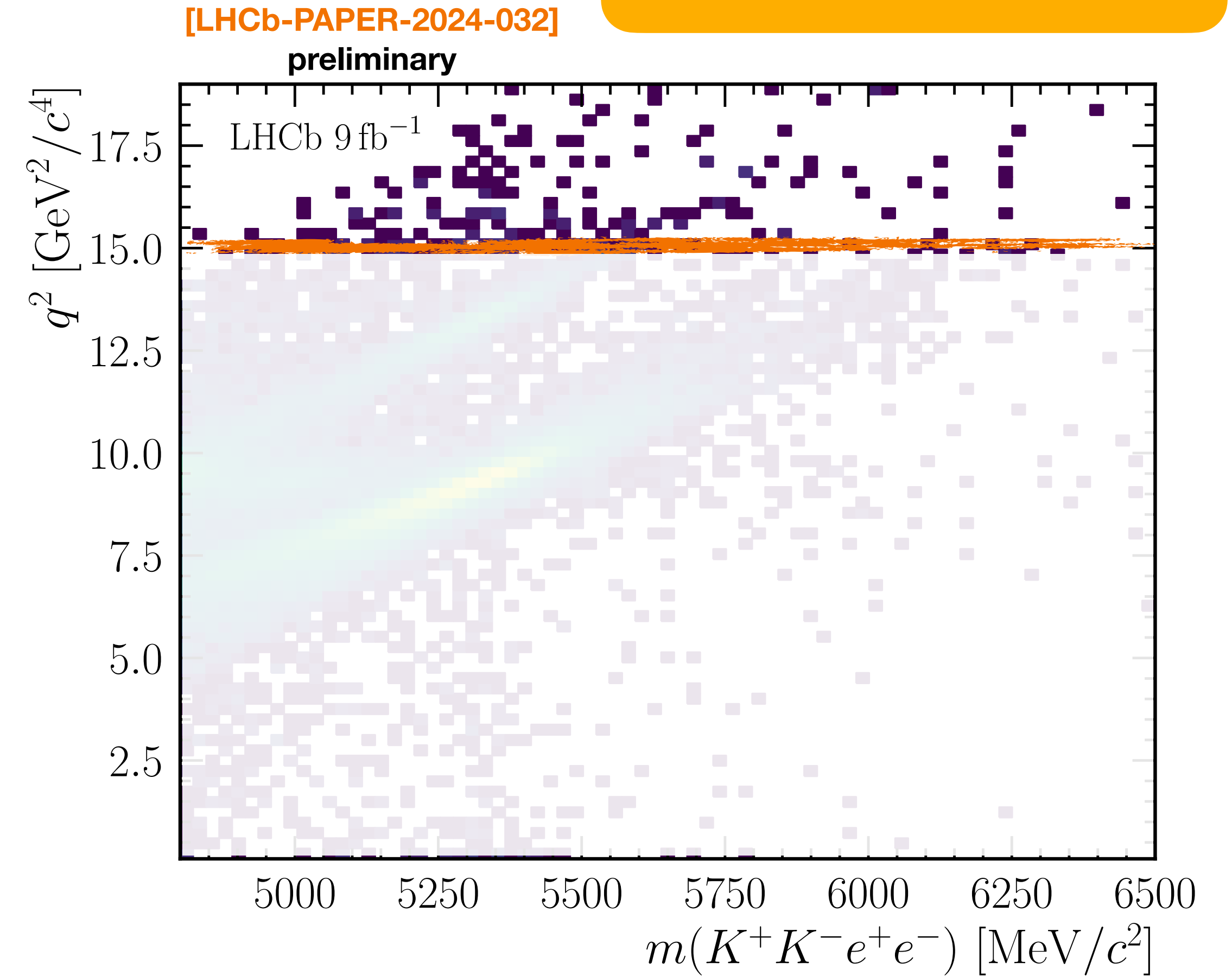
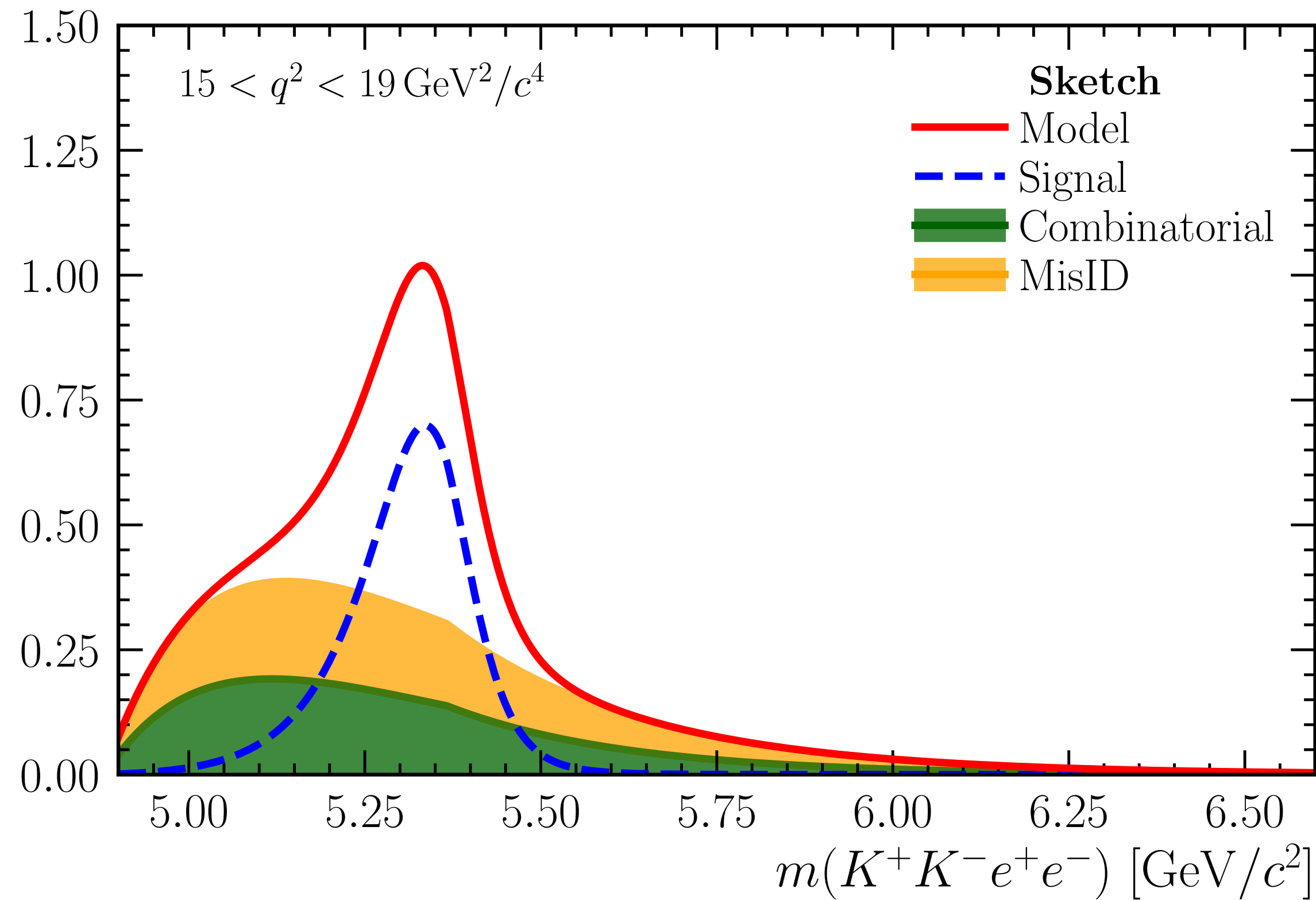




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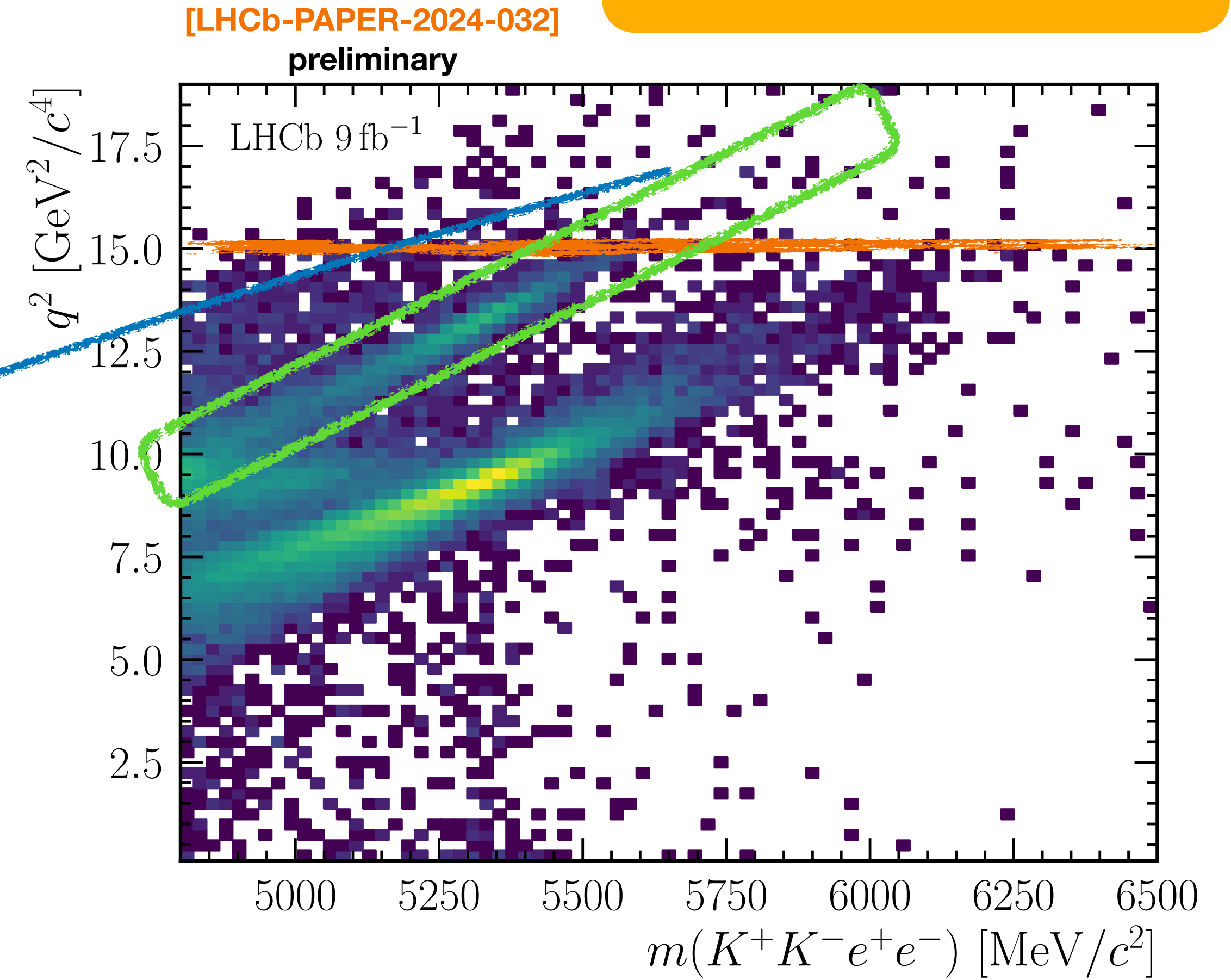
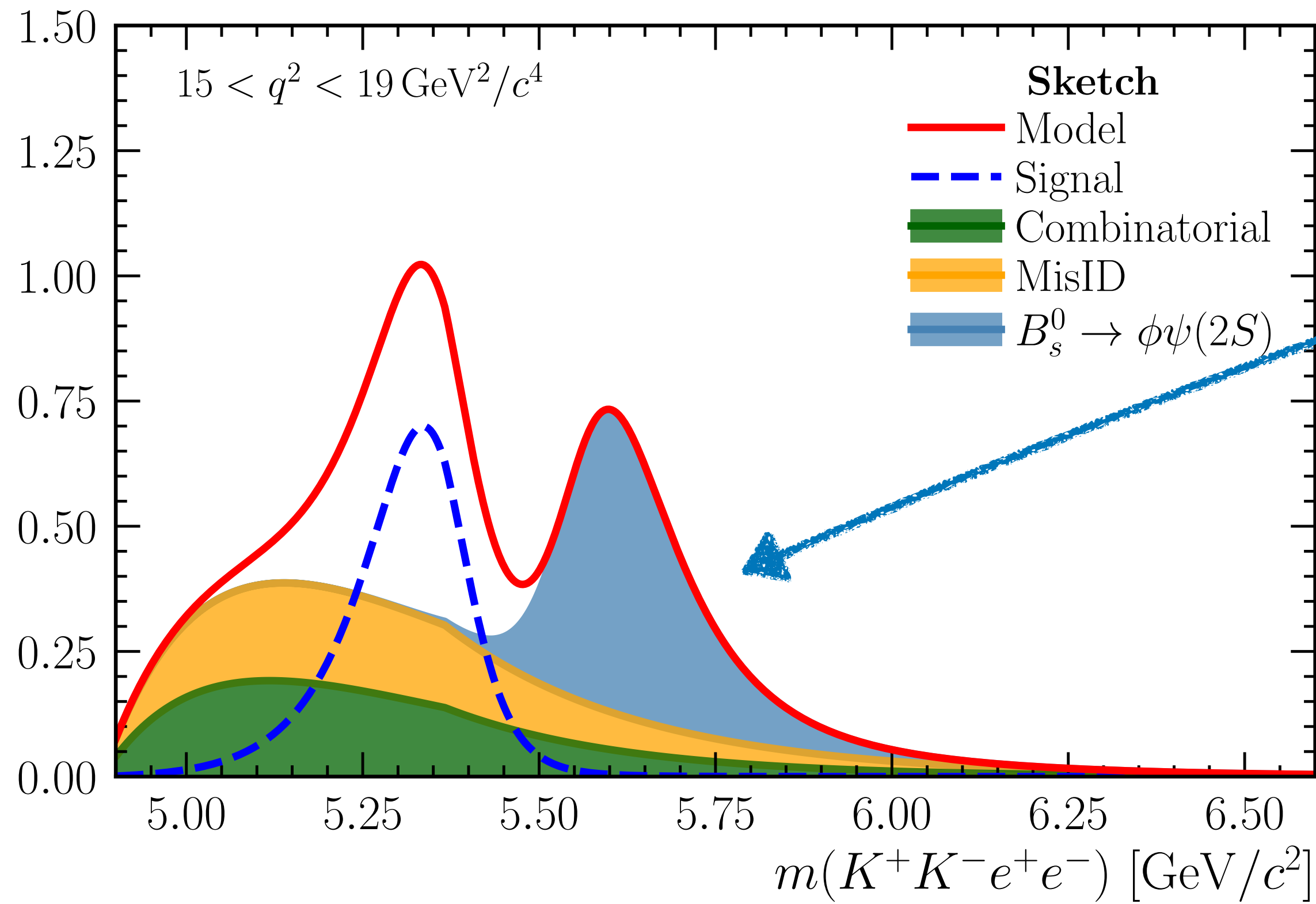




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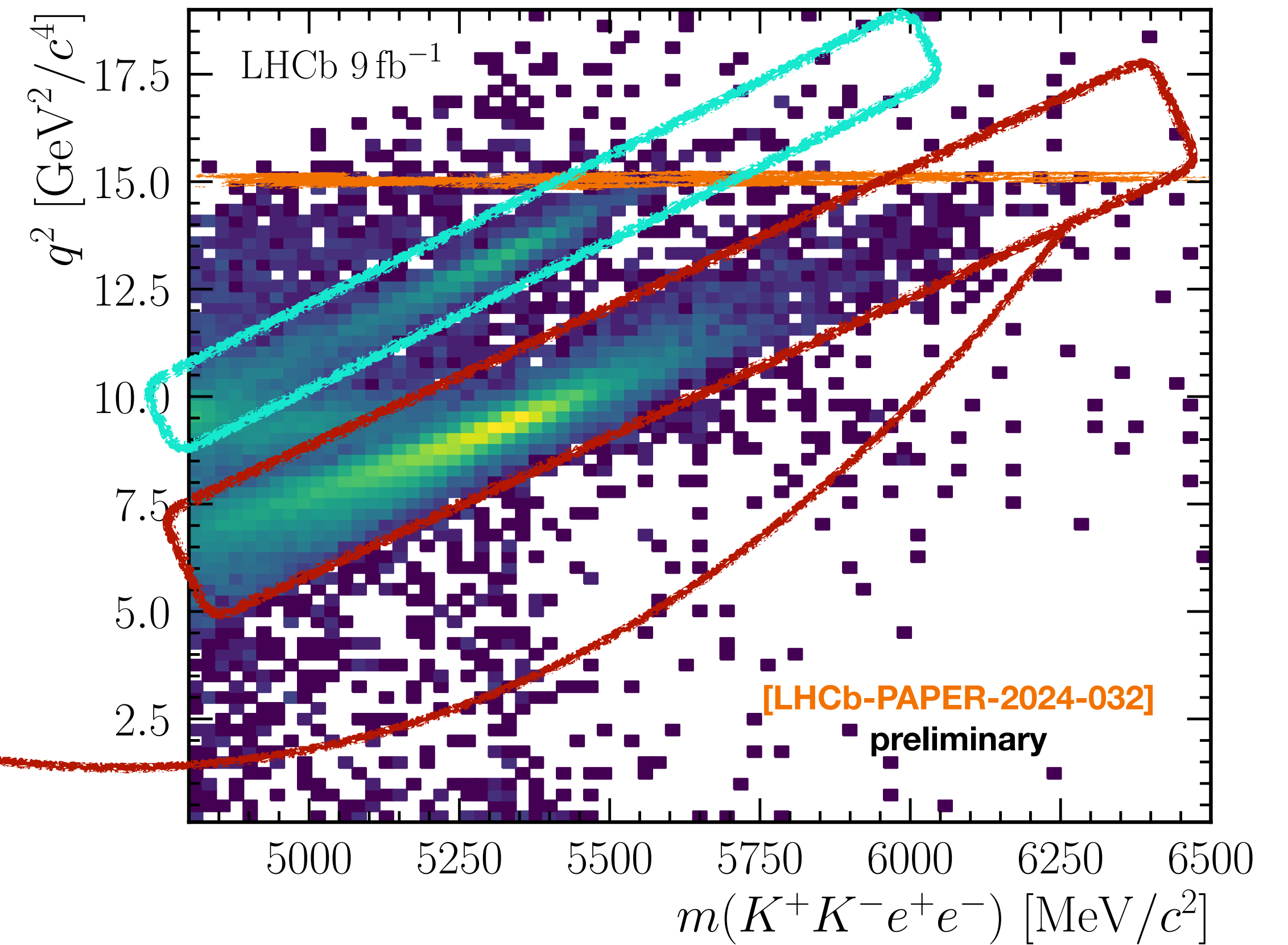
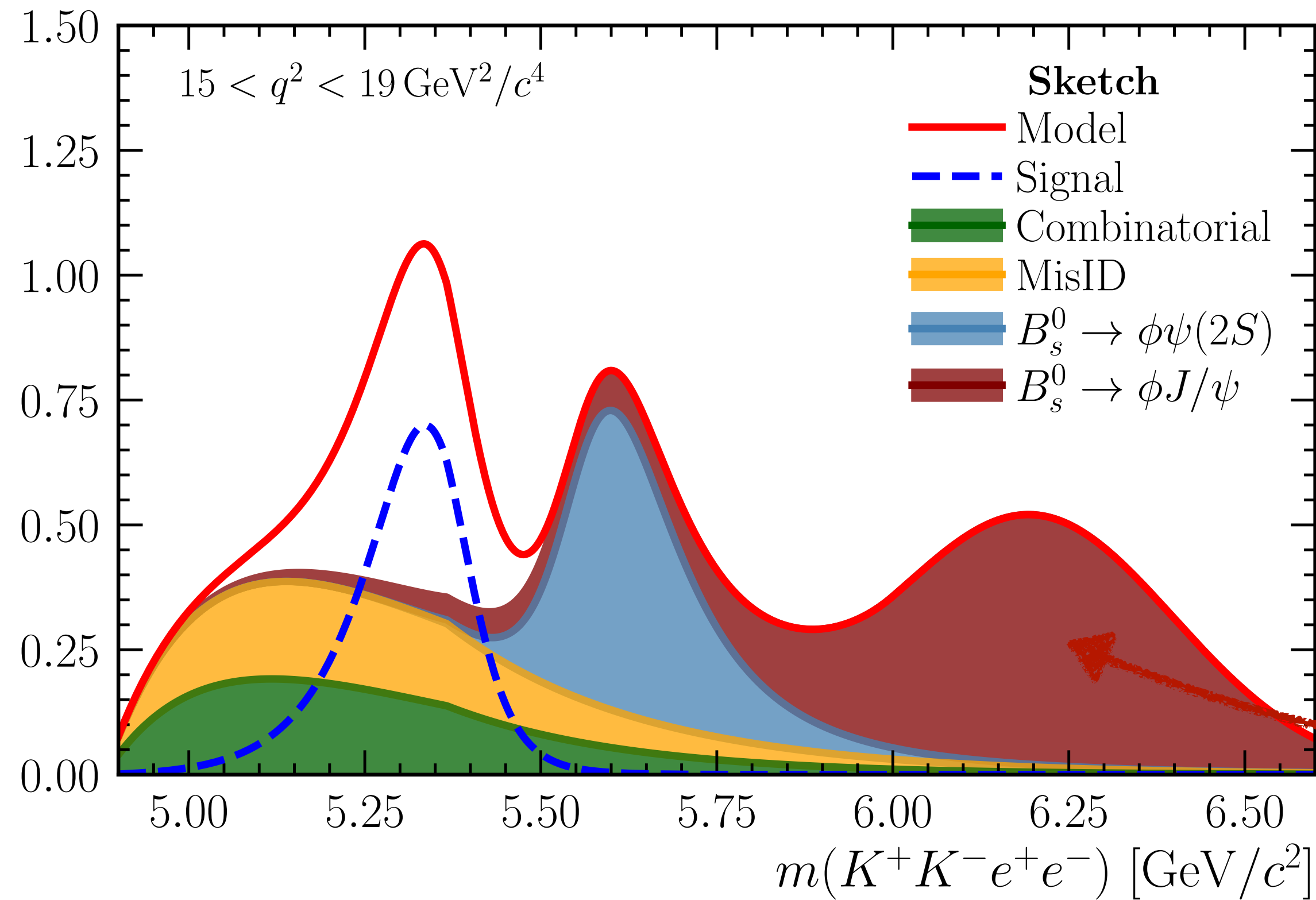




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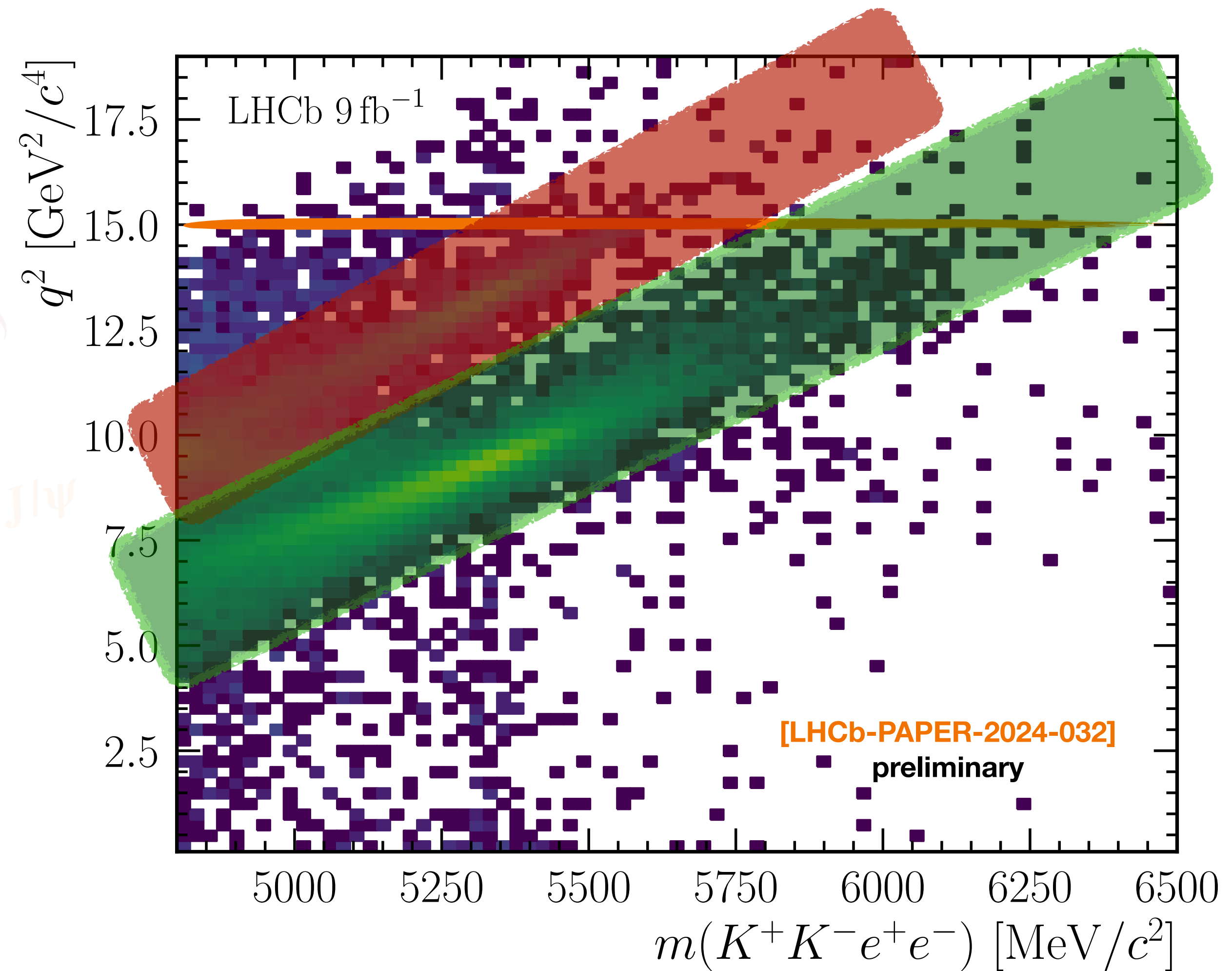
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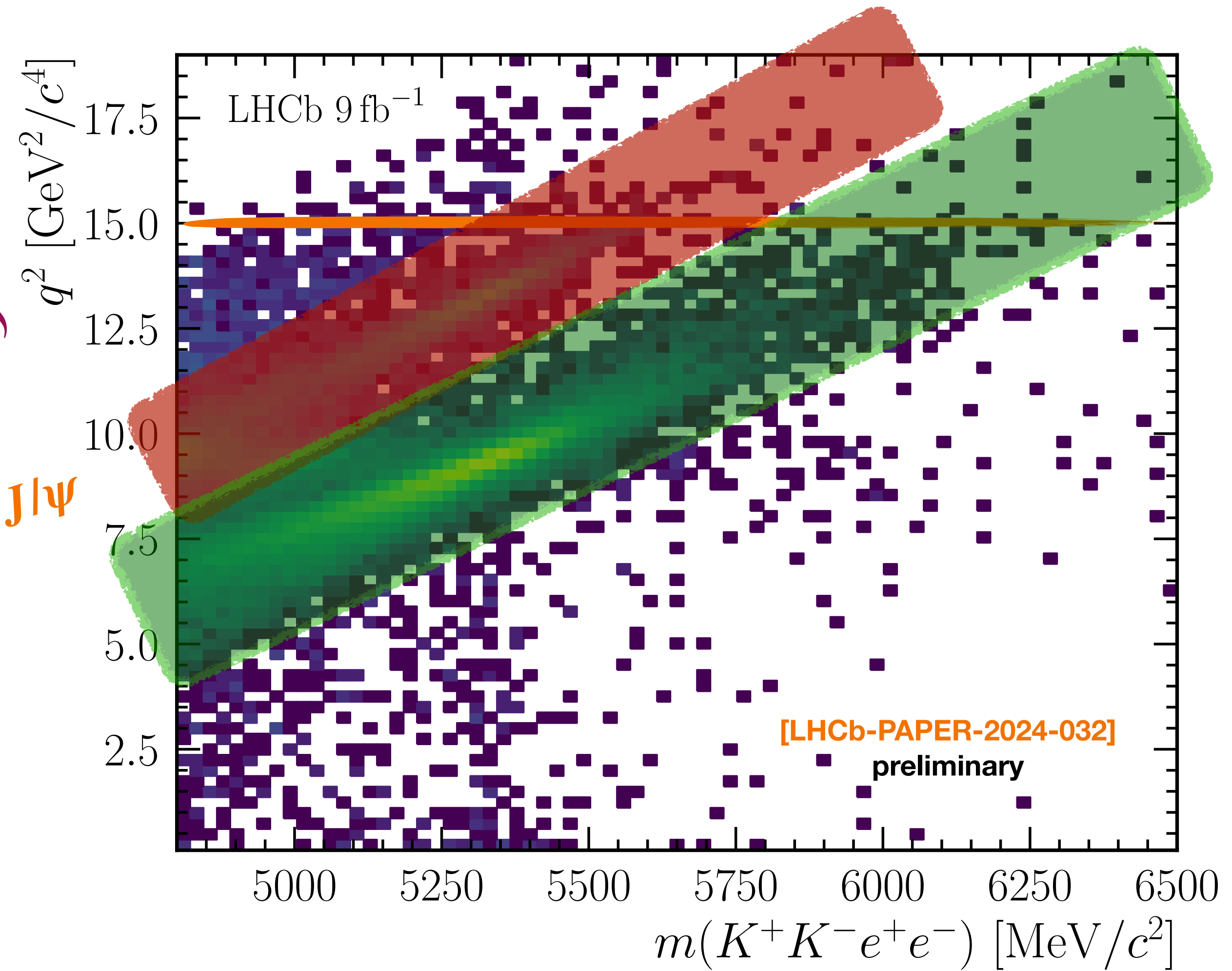


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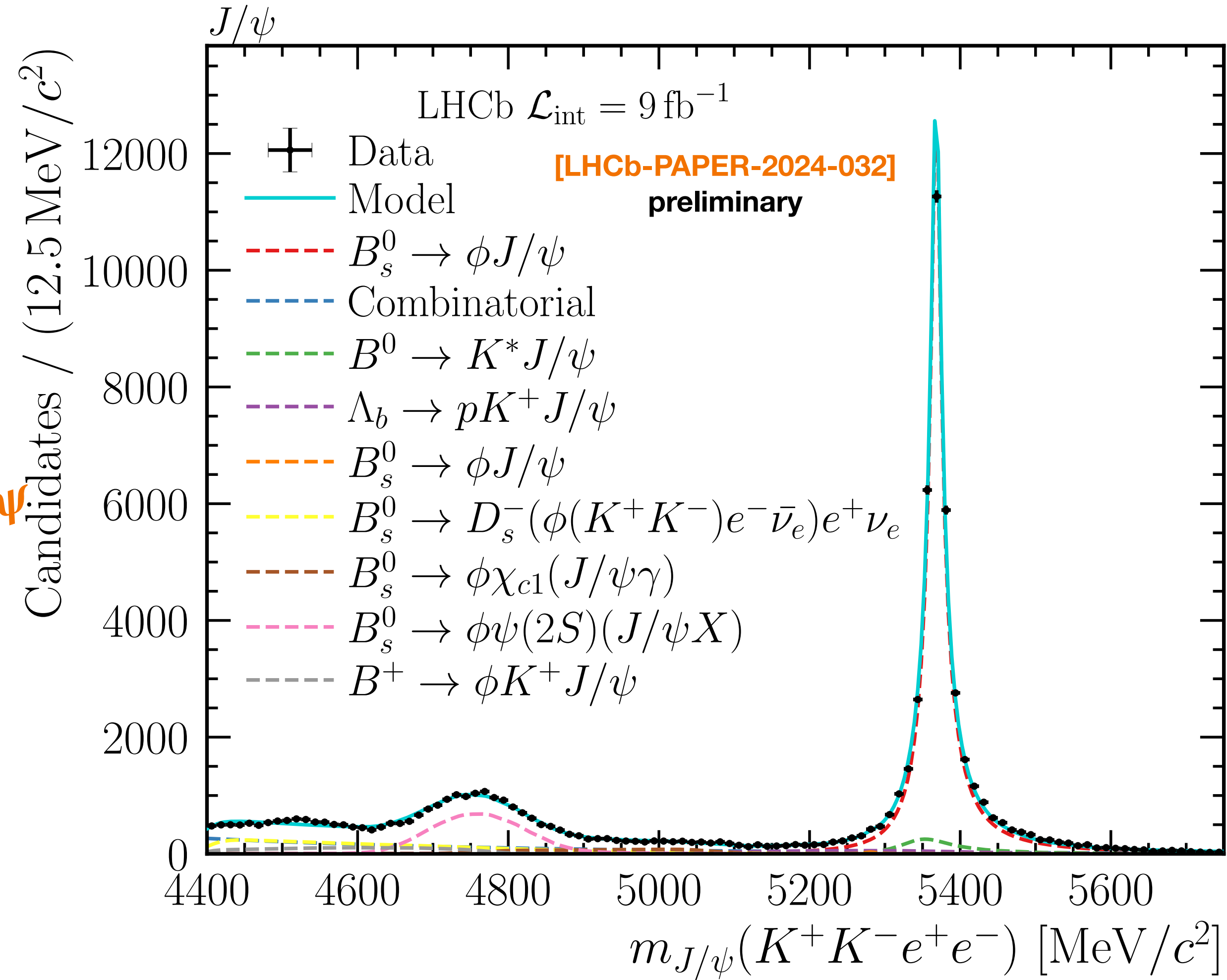
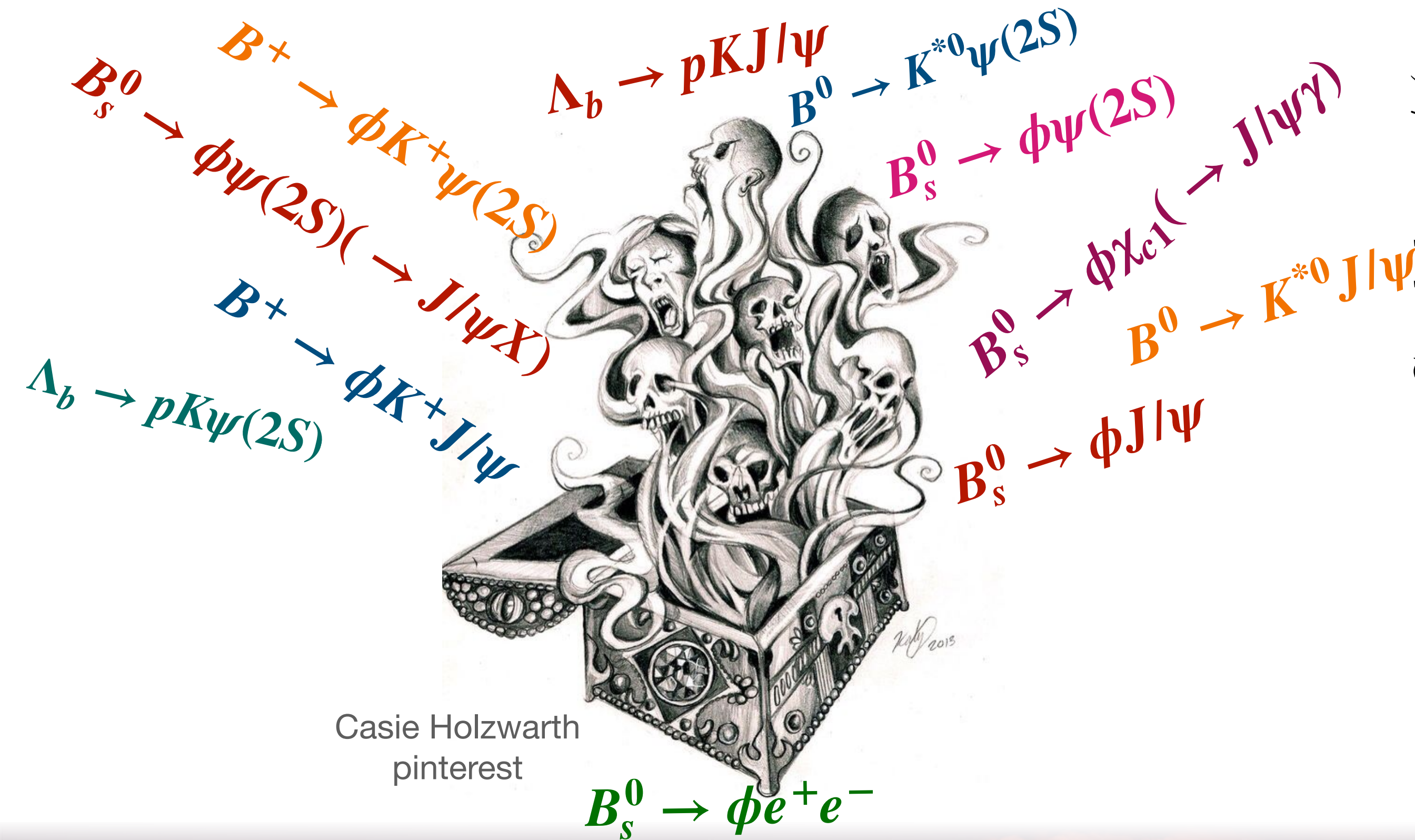
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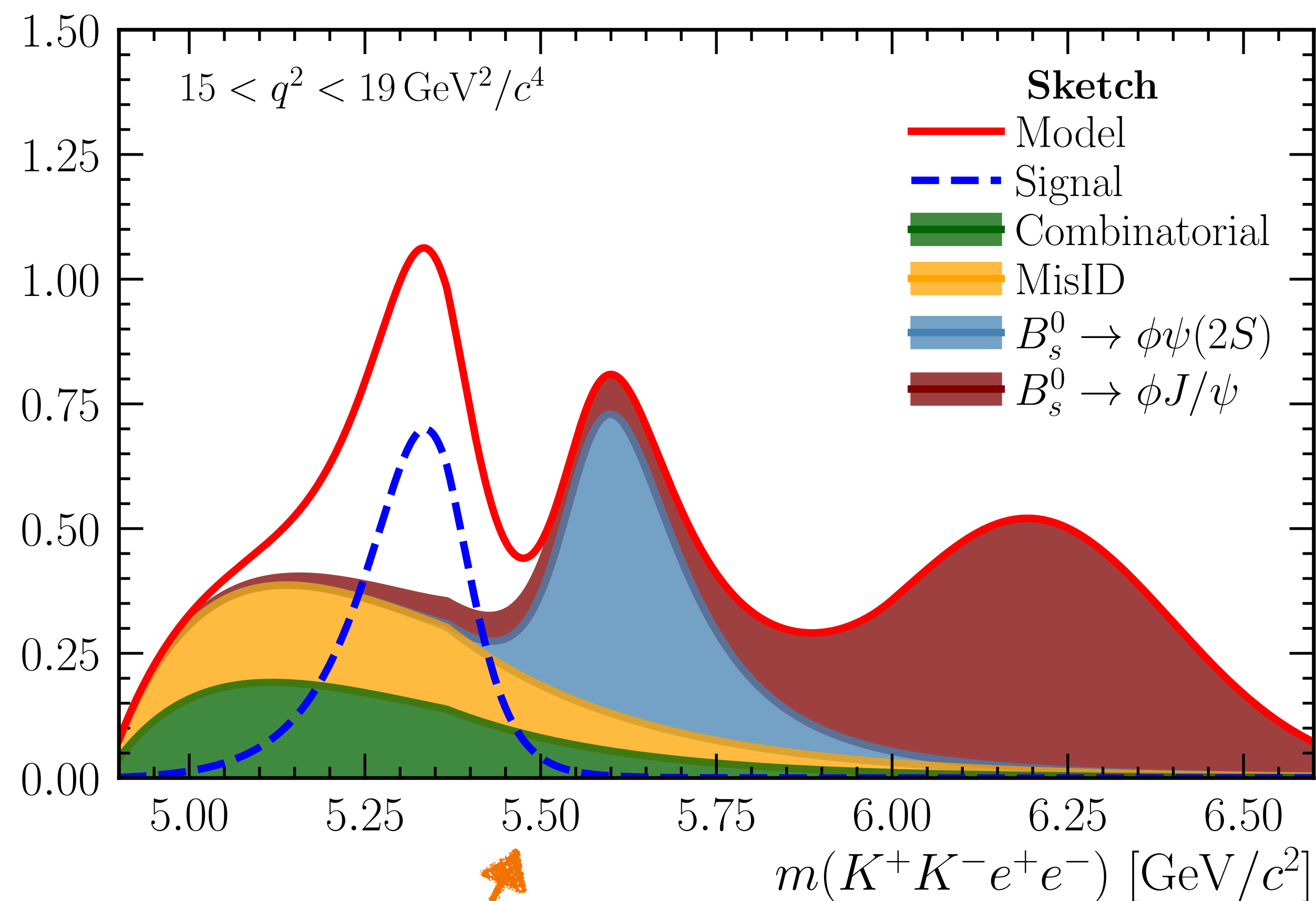
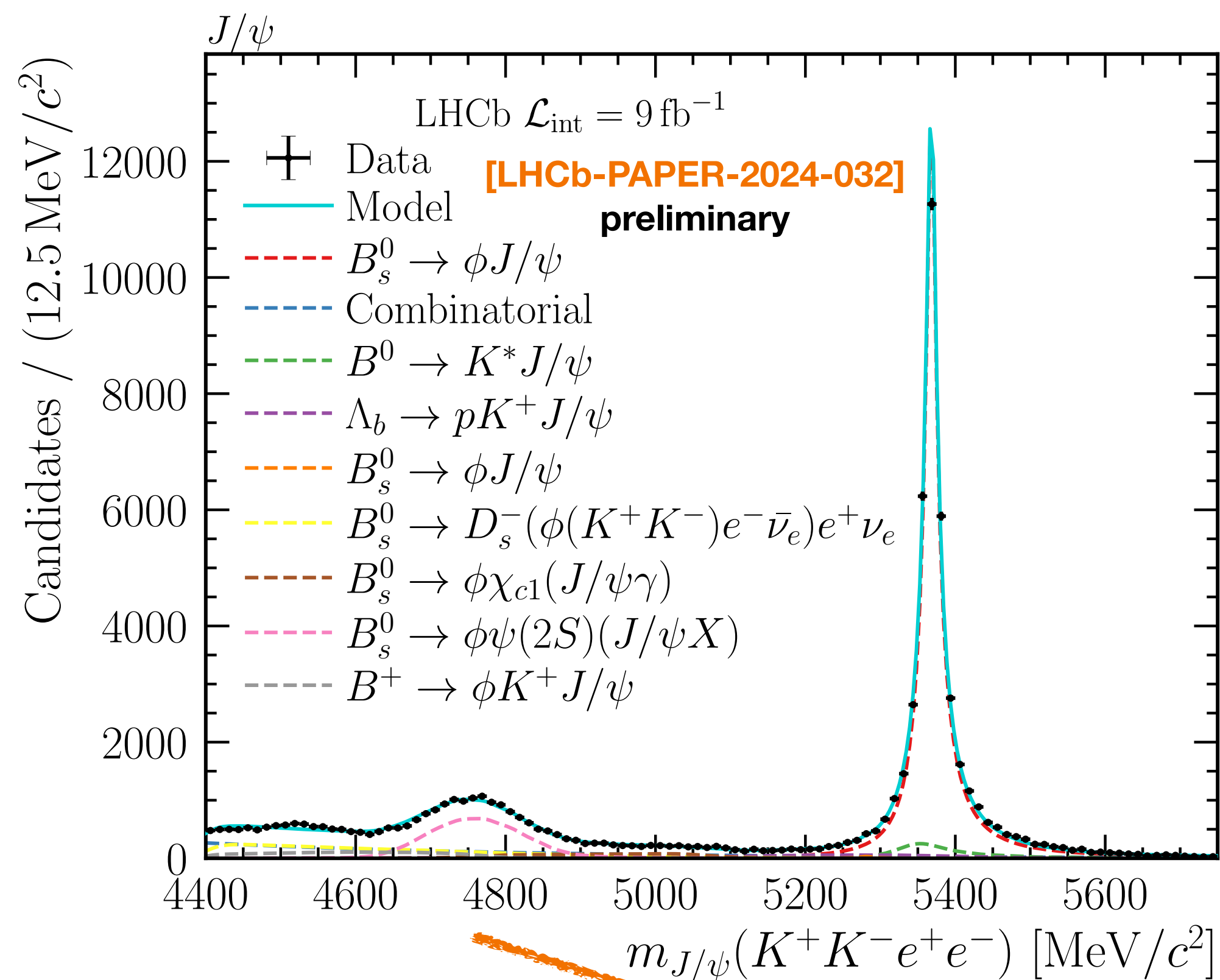
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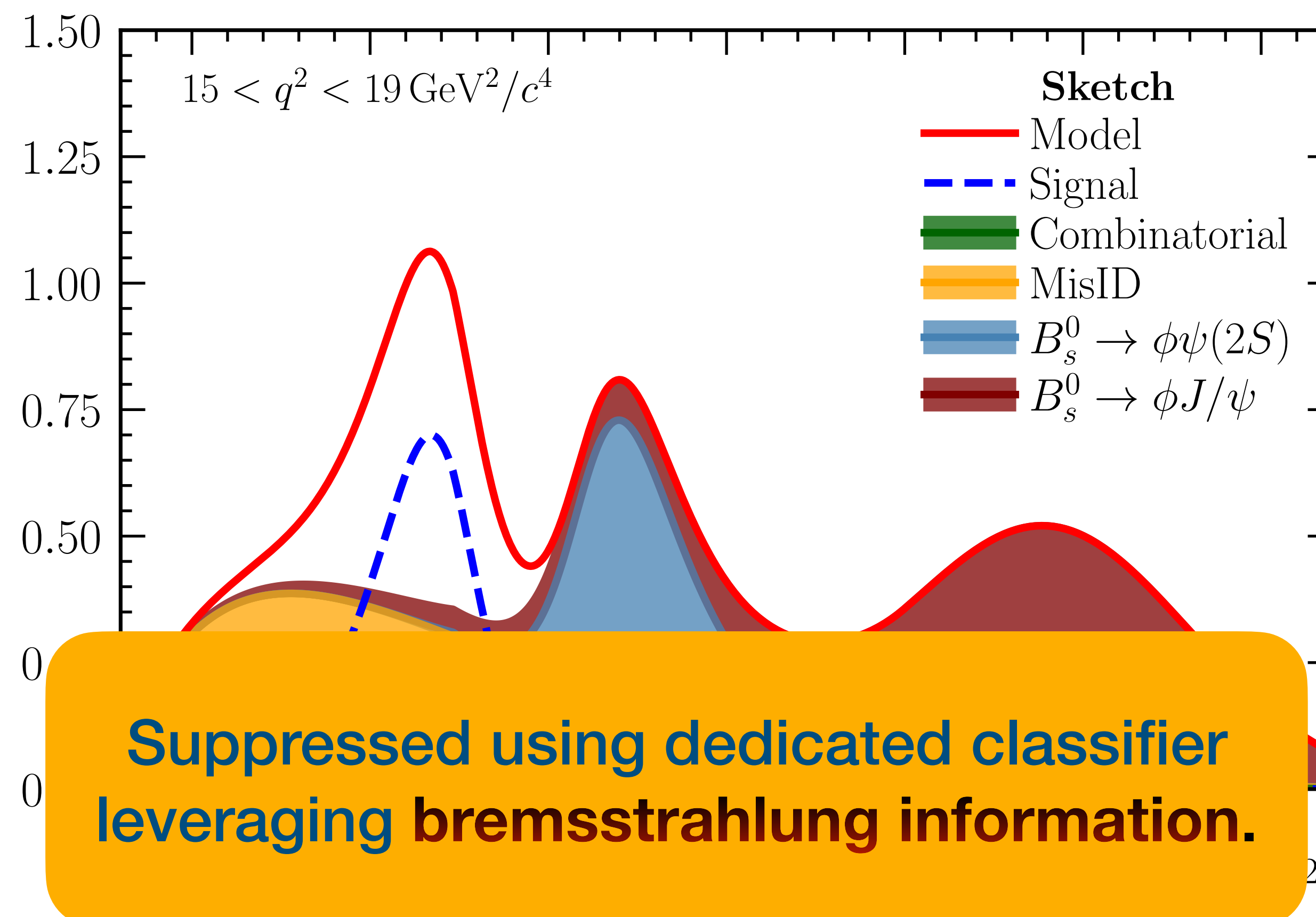
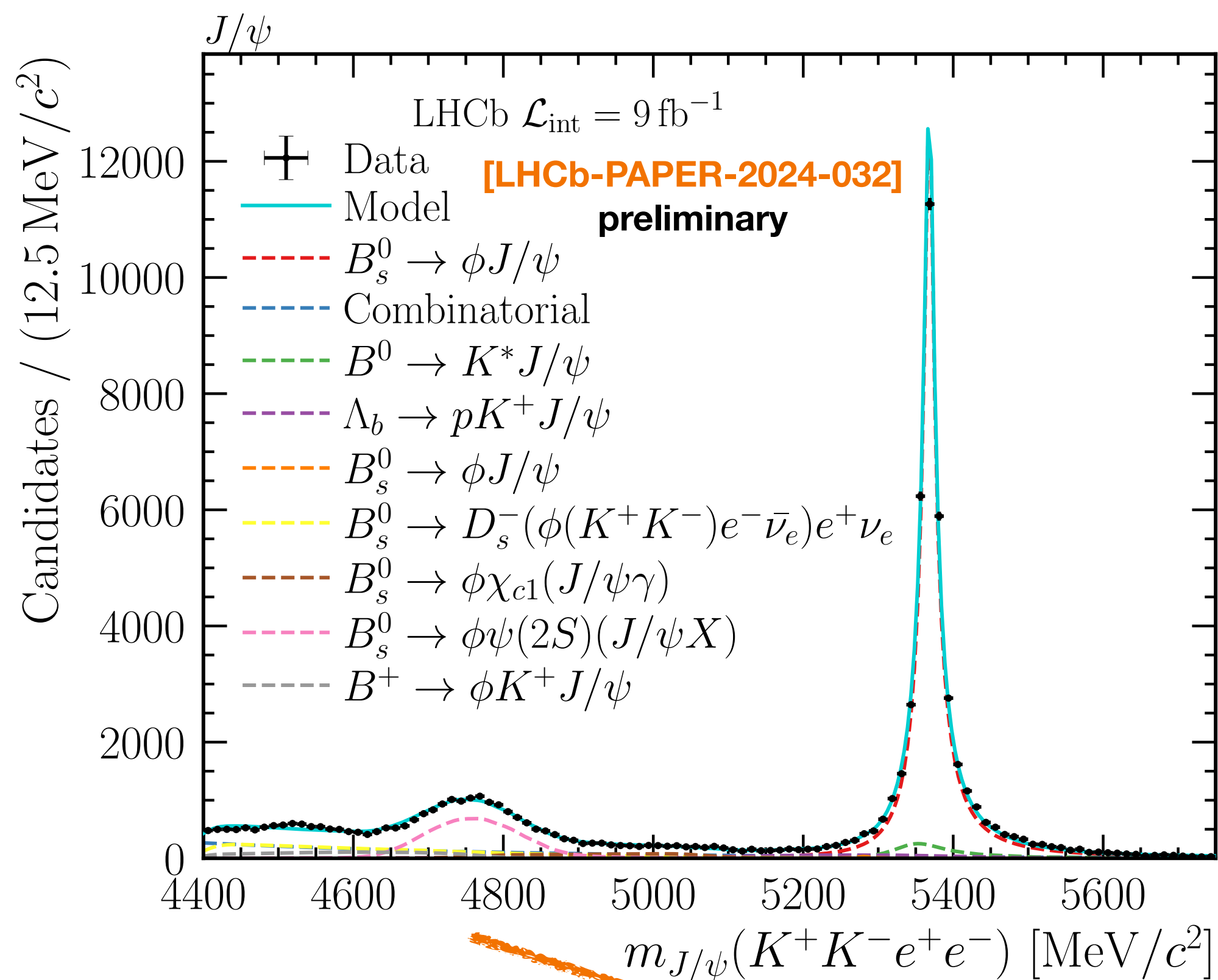
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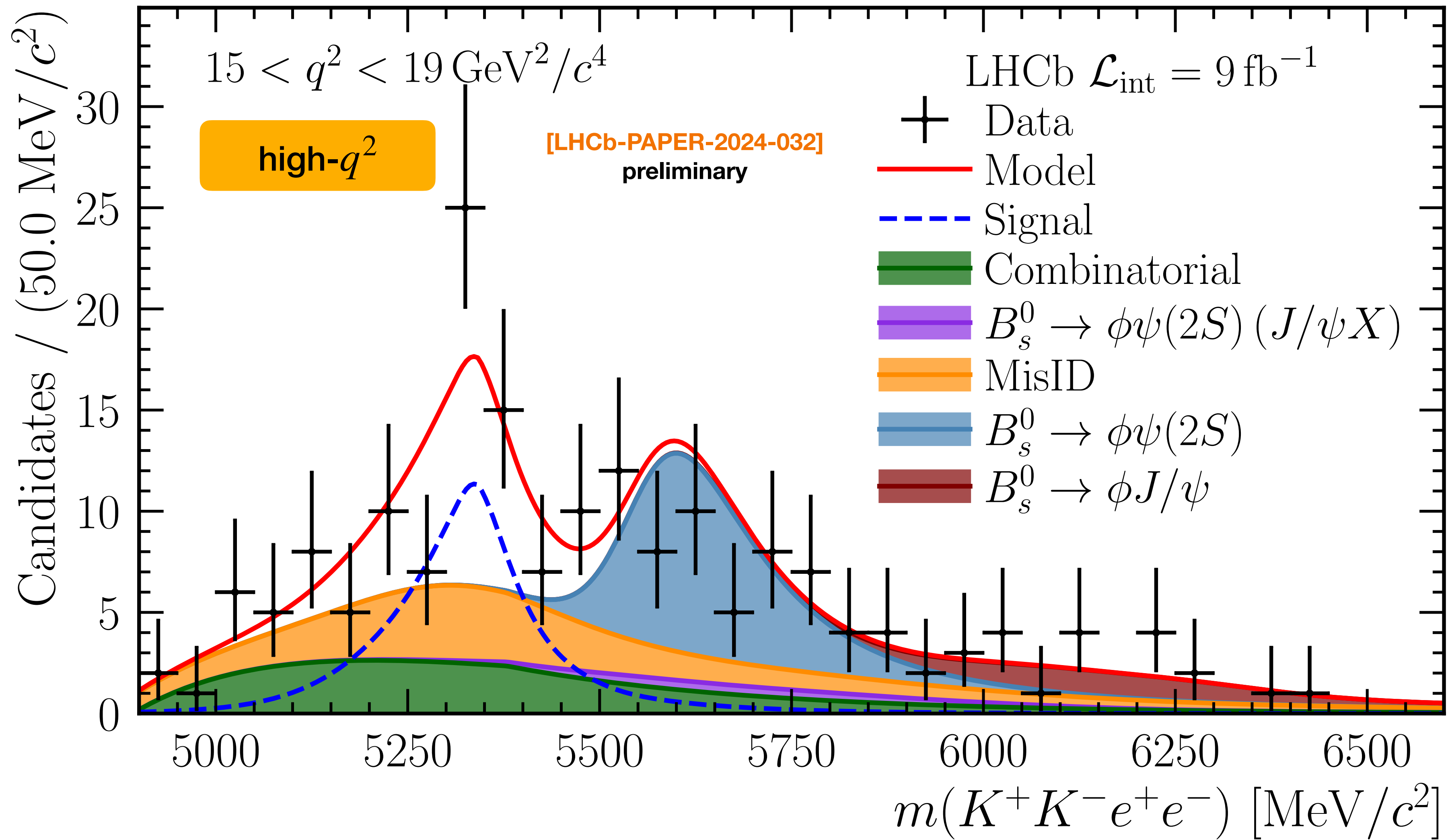
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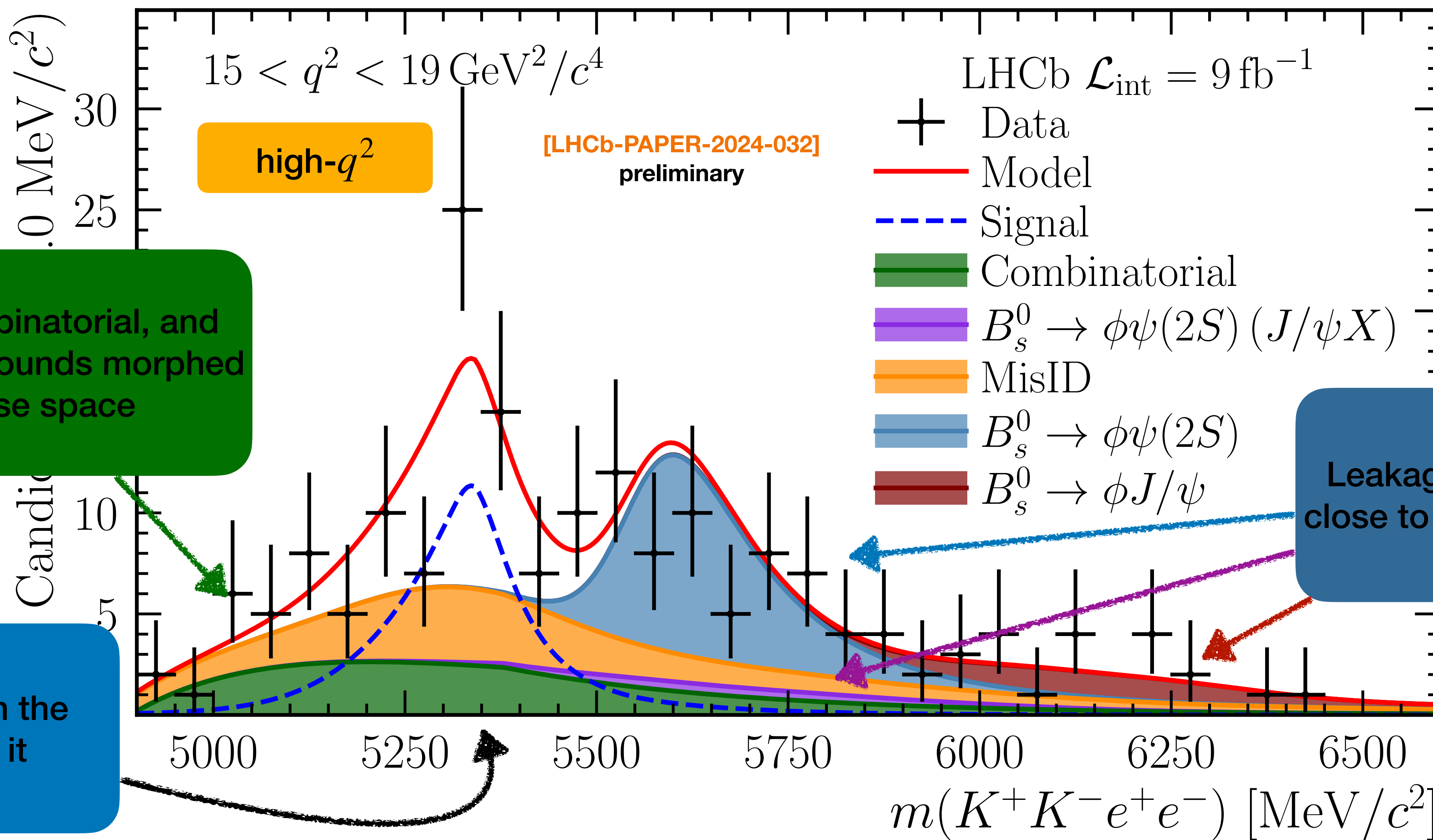
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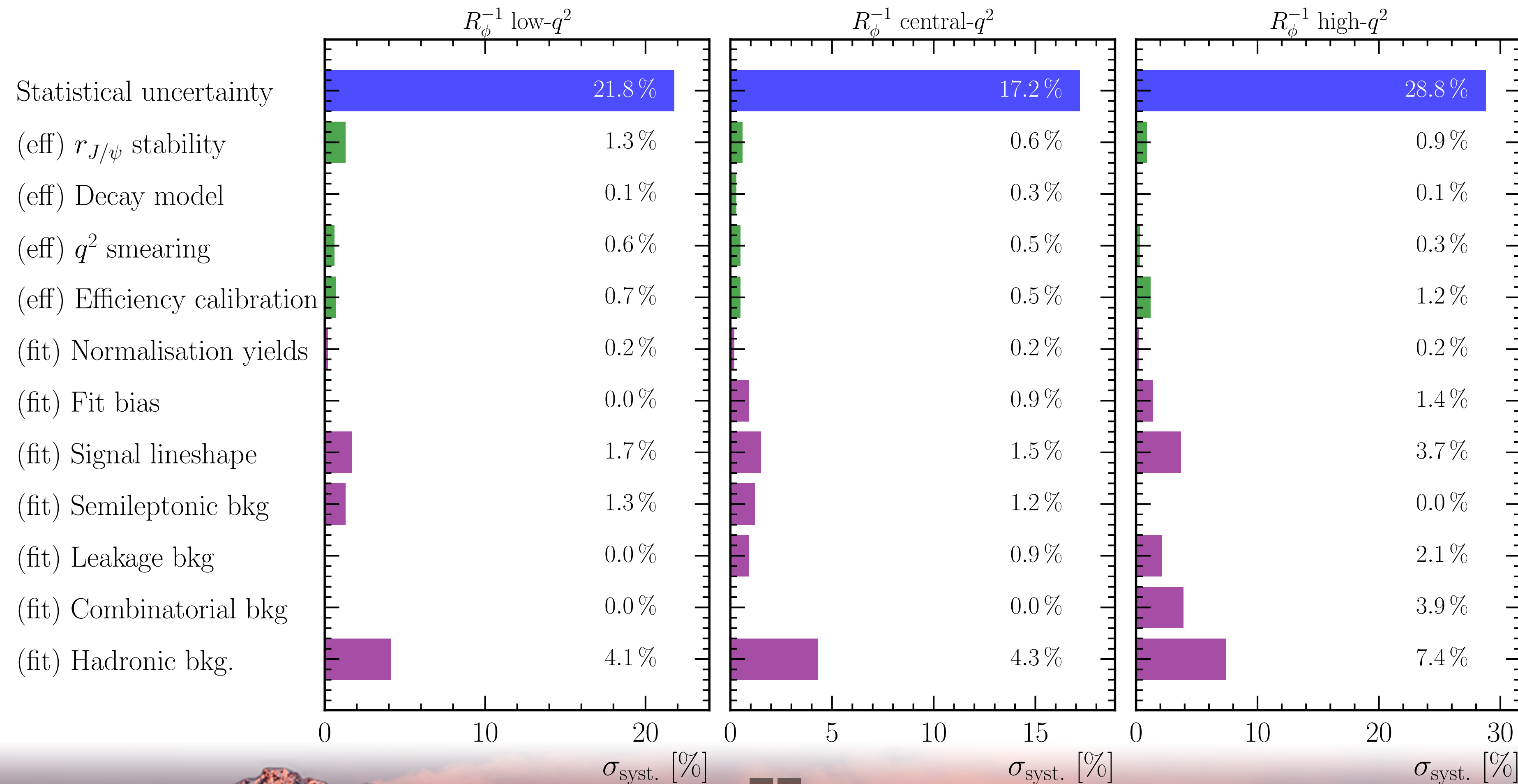
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# SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES

- Uncertainty dominated by **statistical component**
- Many systematics will **shrink with bigger sample size**





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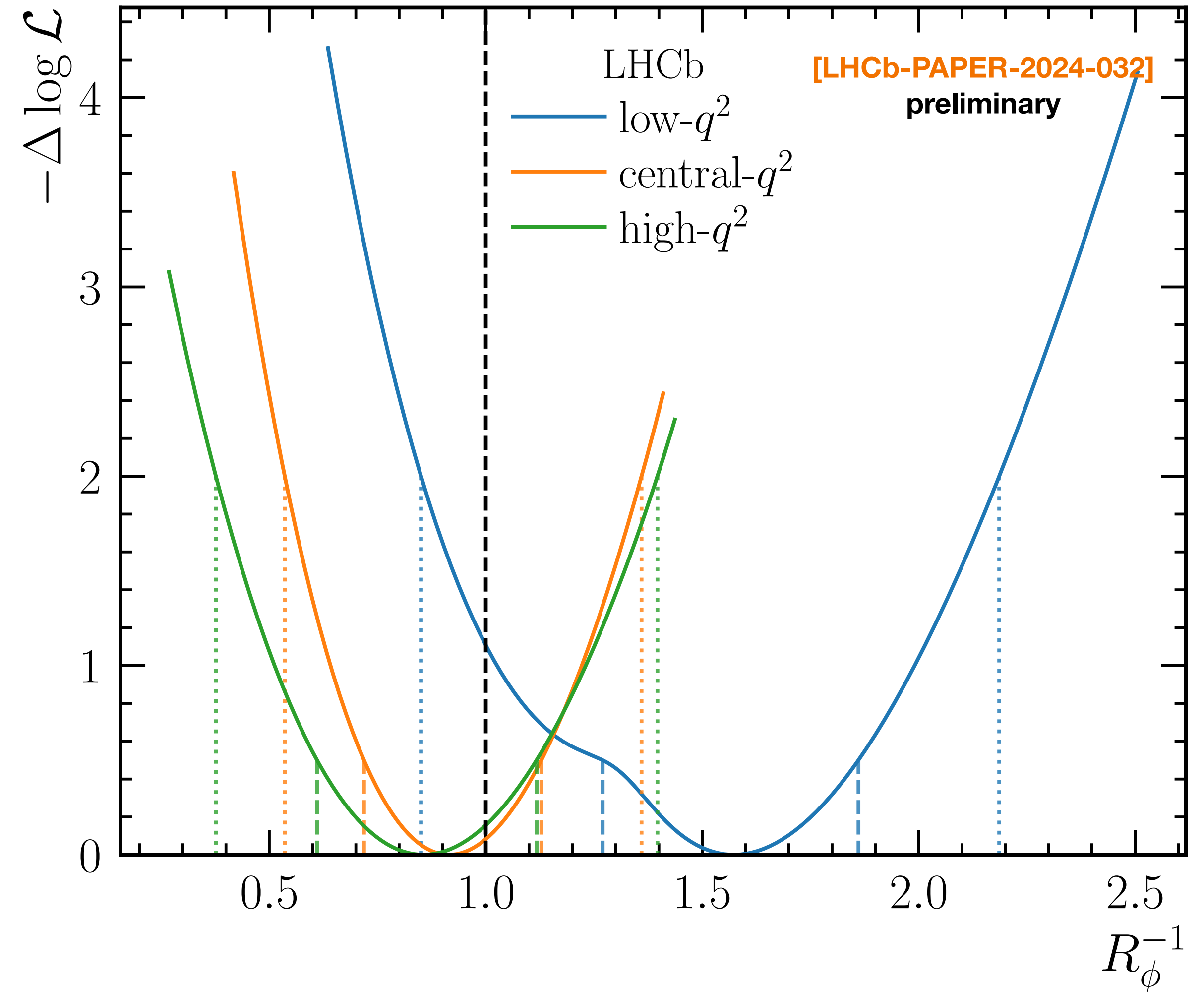
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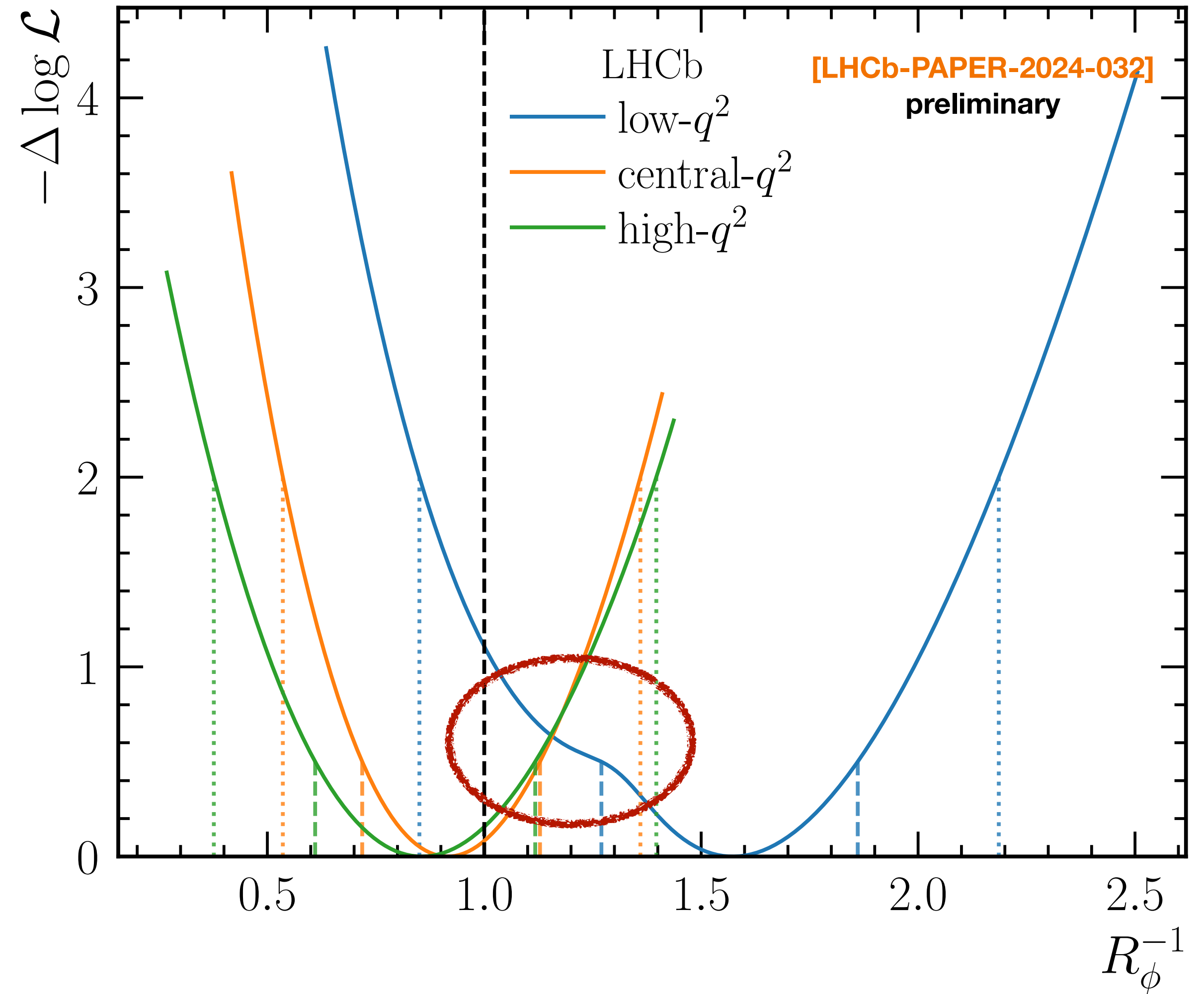
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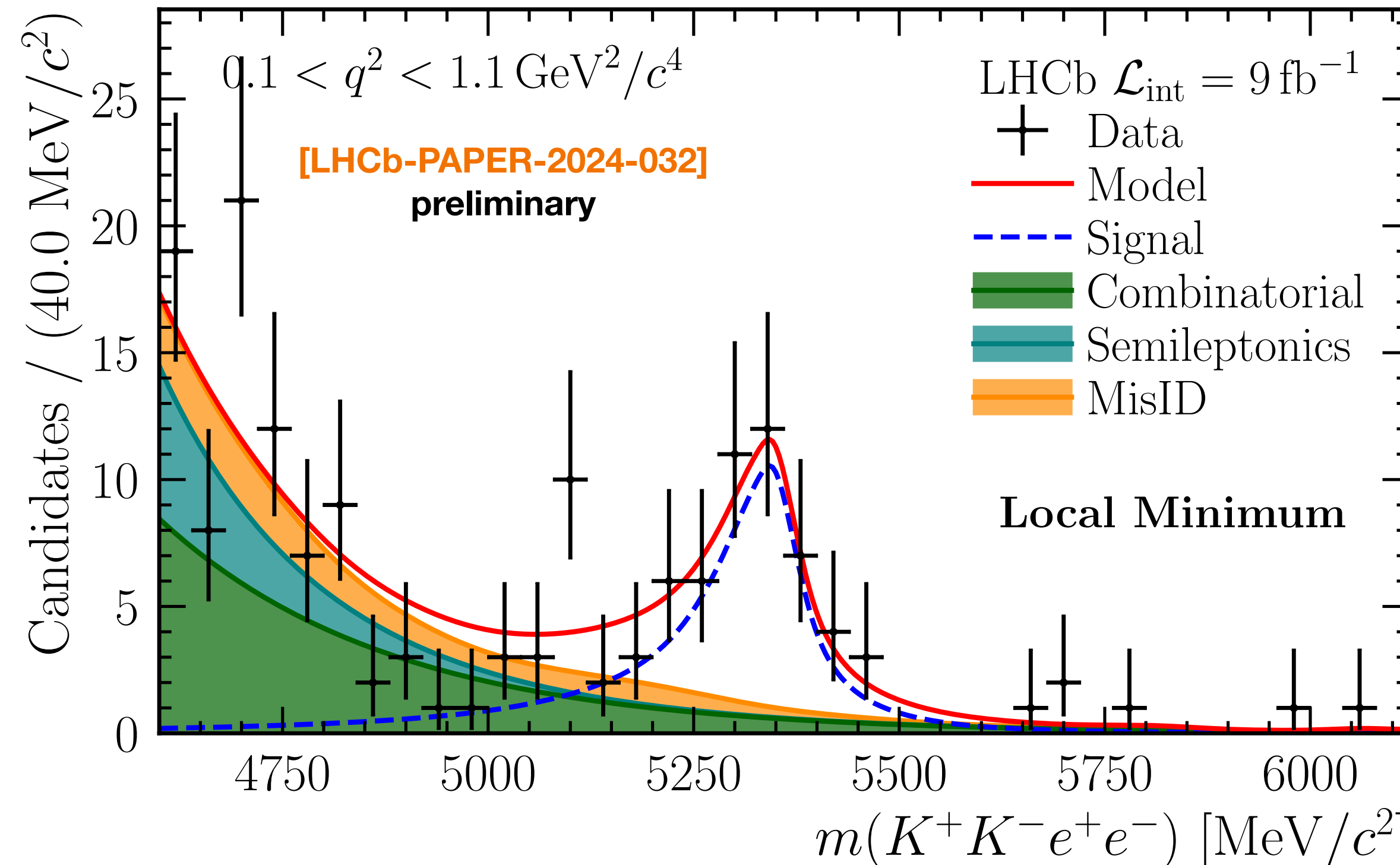
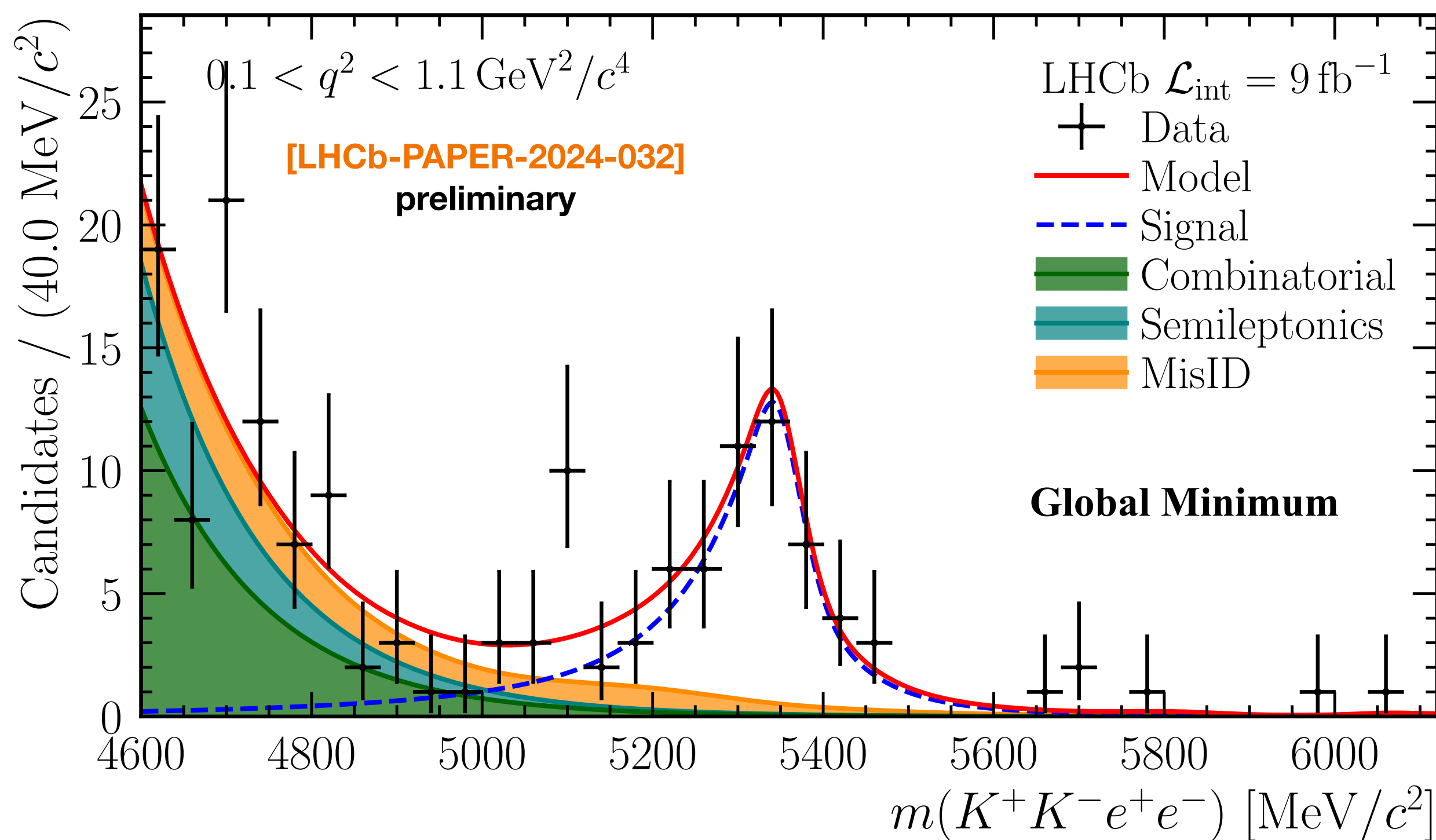
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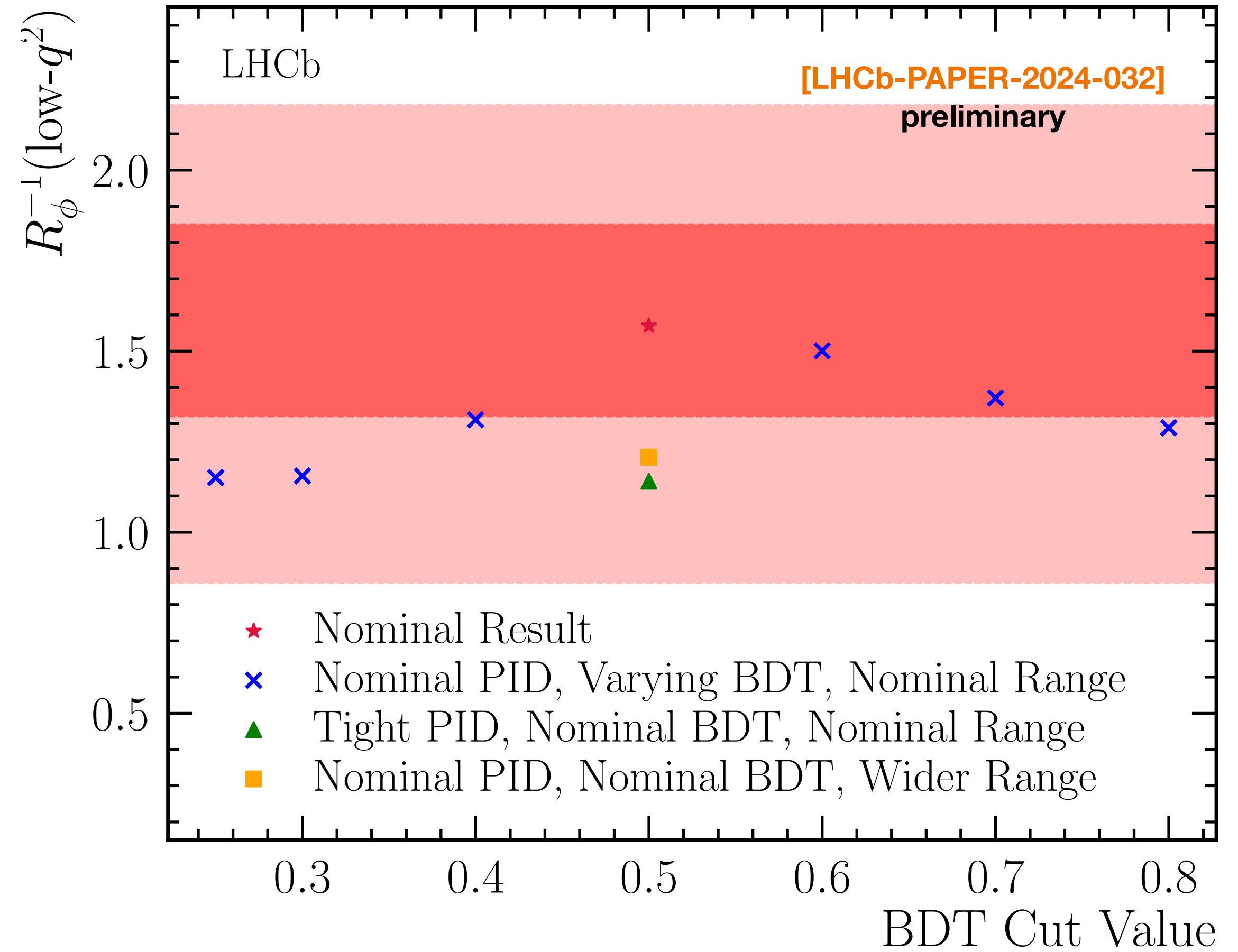
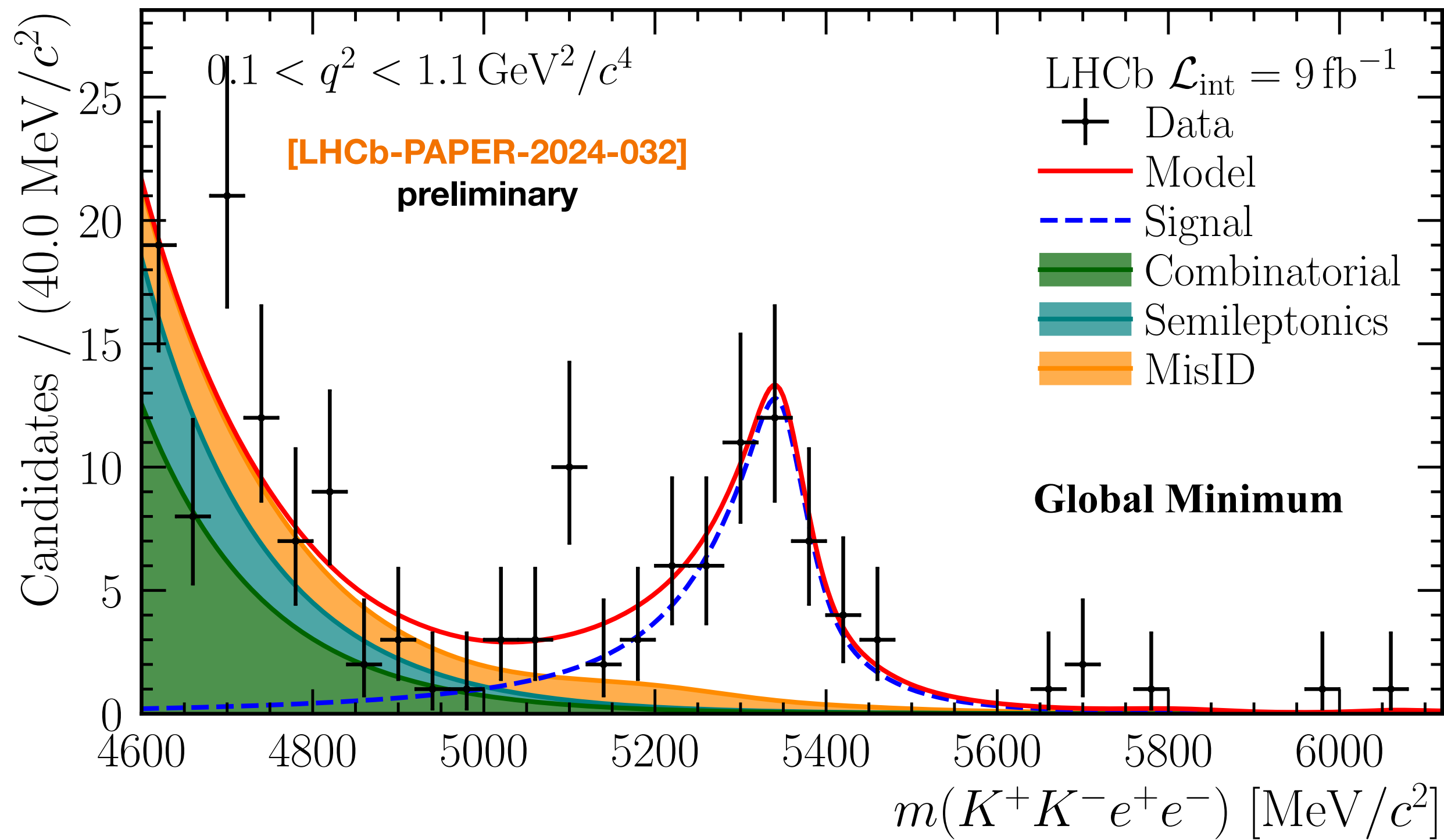
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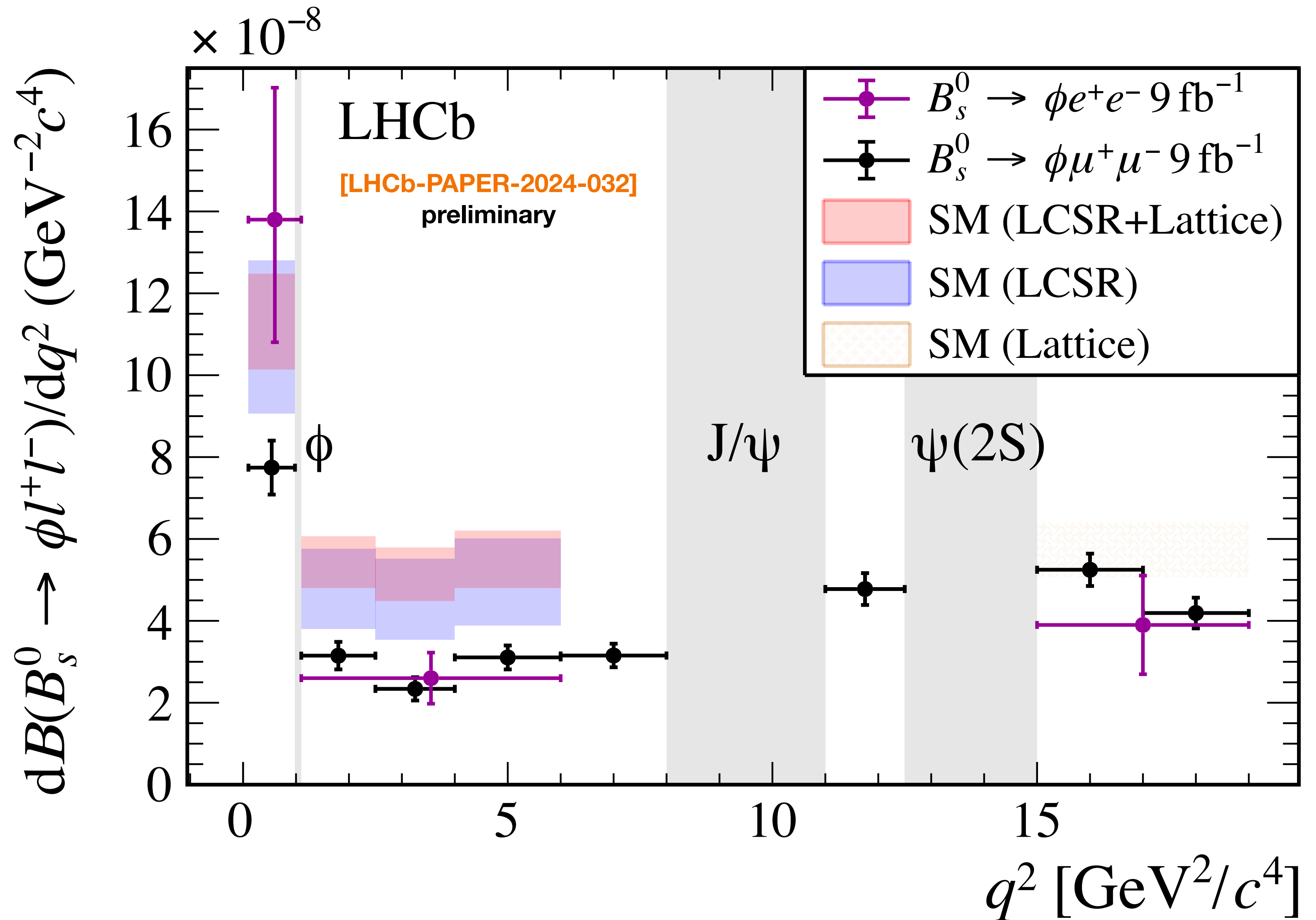
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- Variations of analysis choices affect which minimum is global





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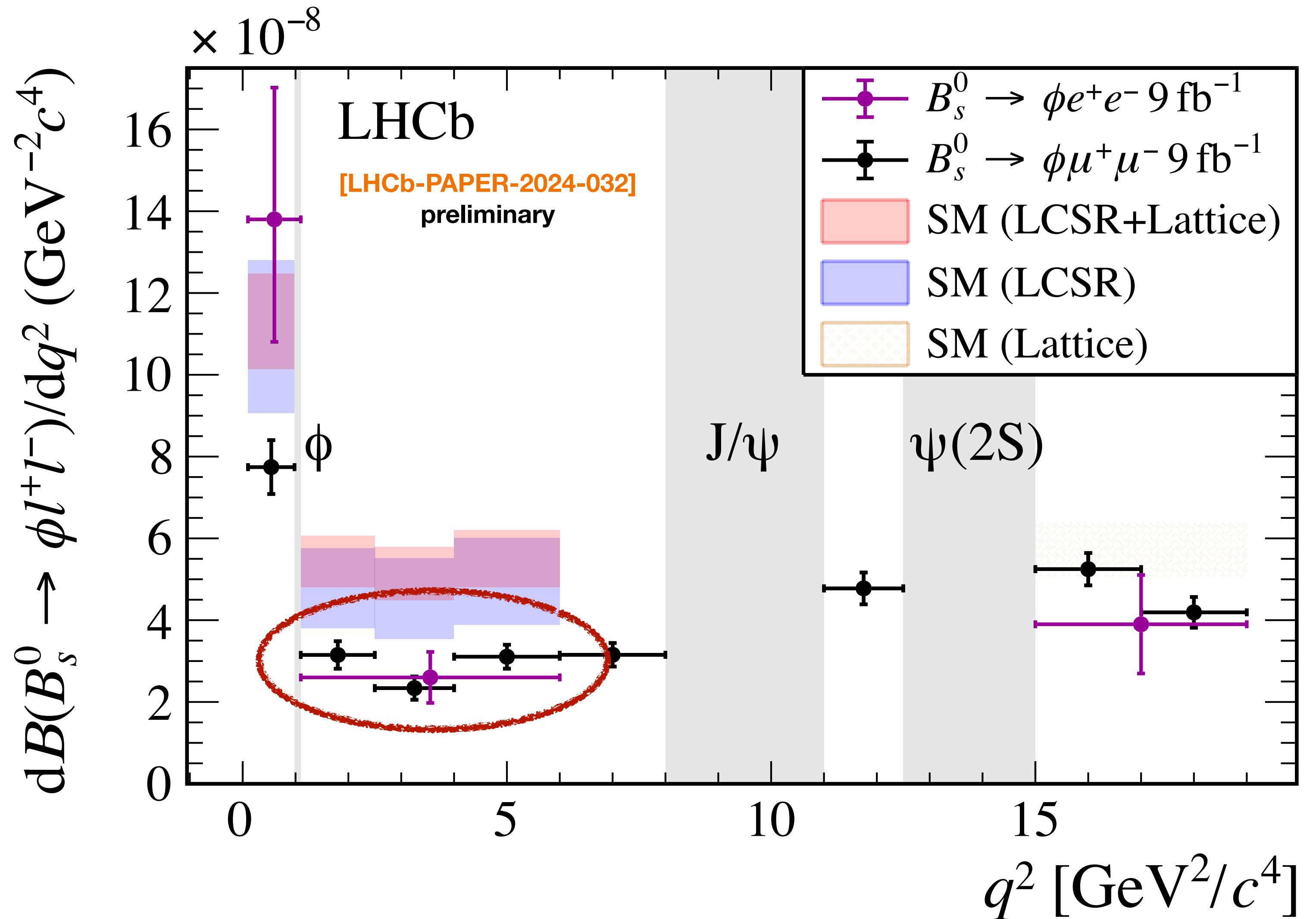
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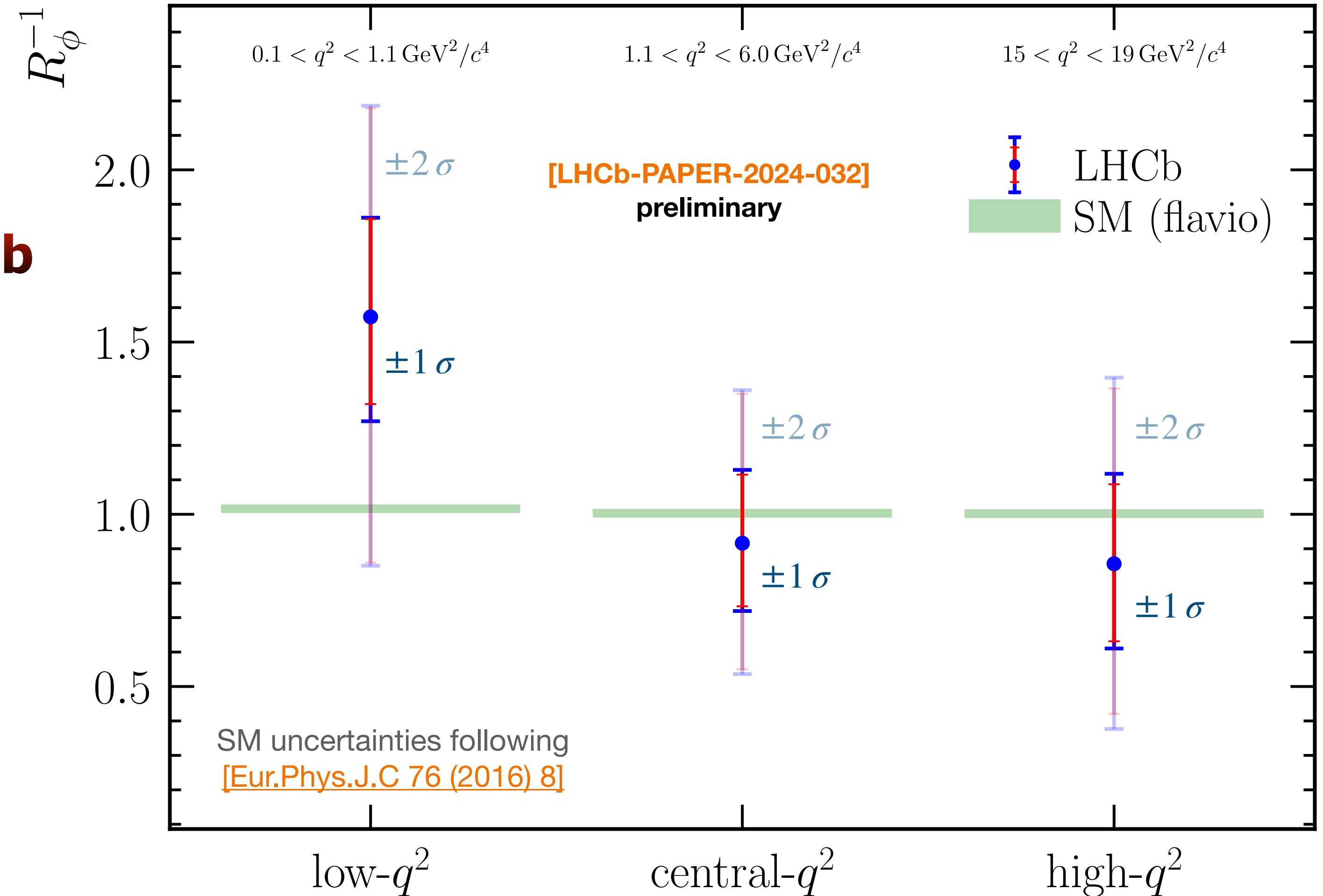
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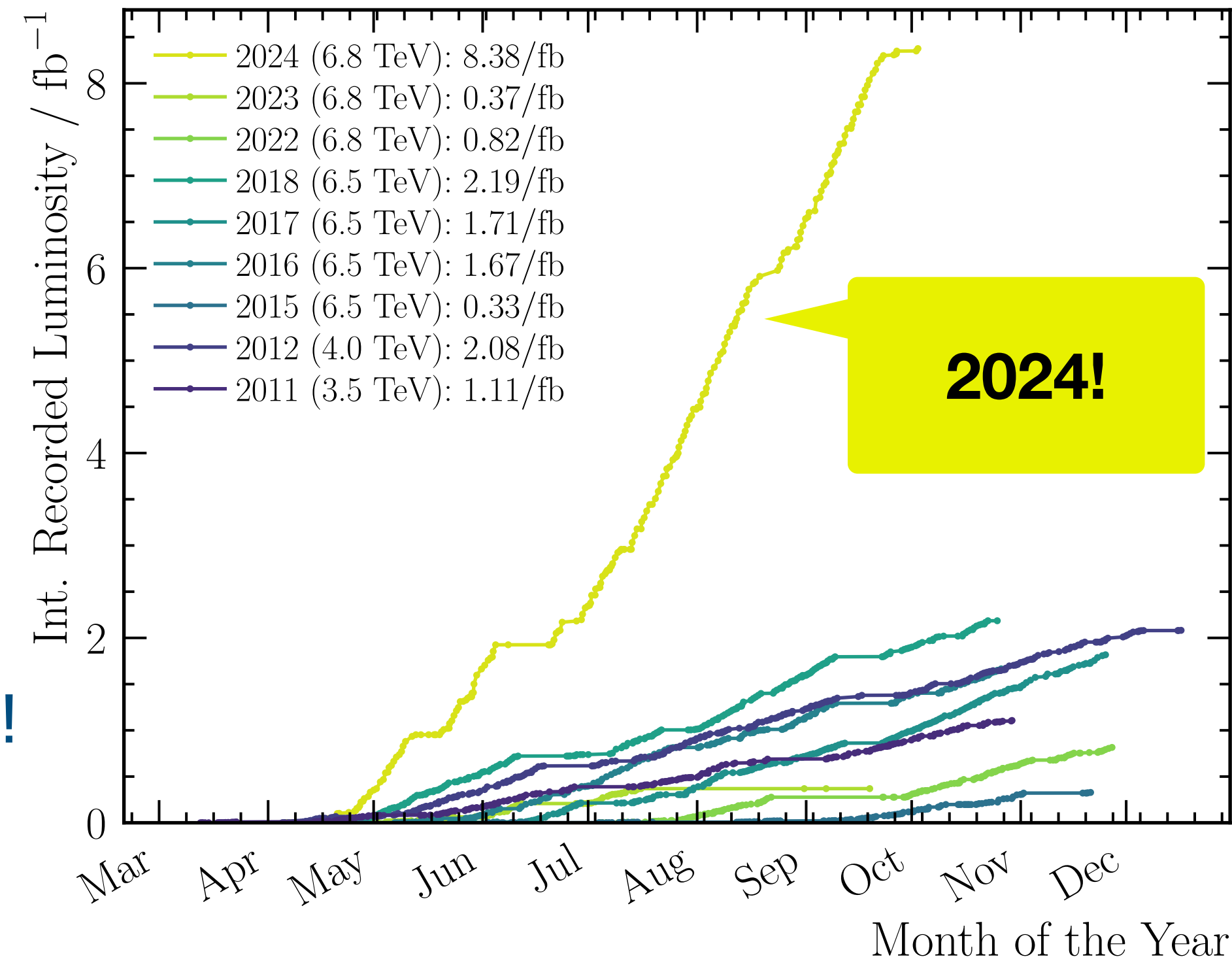
- A lot of **firsts!**
  - **First LFU test at high- $q^2$  for LHCb**
  - **First LFU test in  $B_s^0$  decays**
  - **First observation of  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi e^+ e^-$**
- **Most precise LFU test at high- $q^2$**
- Results are in **good agreement** with the SM





# OUTLOOK

- $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$  transitions are **powerful probes** of the SM
- LFU tests are the most **precisely predictable** observables
- Data favour flavour universality in  $B^+$ ,  $B^0$ , and  $B_s^0$  decays
- With Run 3 and 4 LHCb will increase the number of recorded  $B_s^0$  decays by a **factor of about 5**
  - **Removal of L0-trigger** drastic **improvement** for electrons!
  - **Unprecedented precision** for flavour observables
  - Systematic uncertainties for  $R_\phi$  will **reduce with data sample size**
- Upgrade II aims to collect  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} \approx 300 \text{ fb}^{-1} \Rightarrow$  increase of factor  $\sim 6$  compared to Run 3 and 4!
- **Tensions** in the branching fractions and angular observables **remain** but seem to be lepton flavour universal





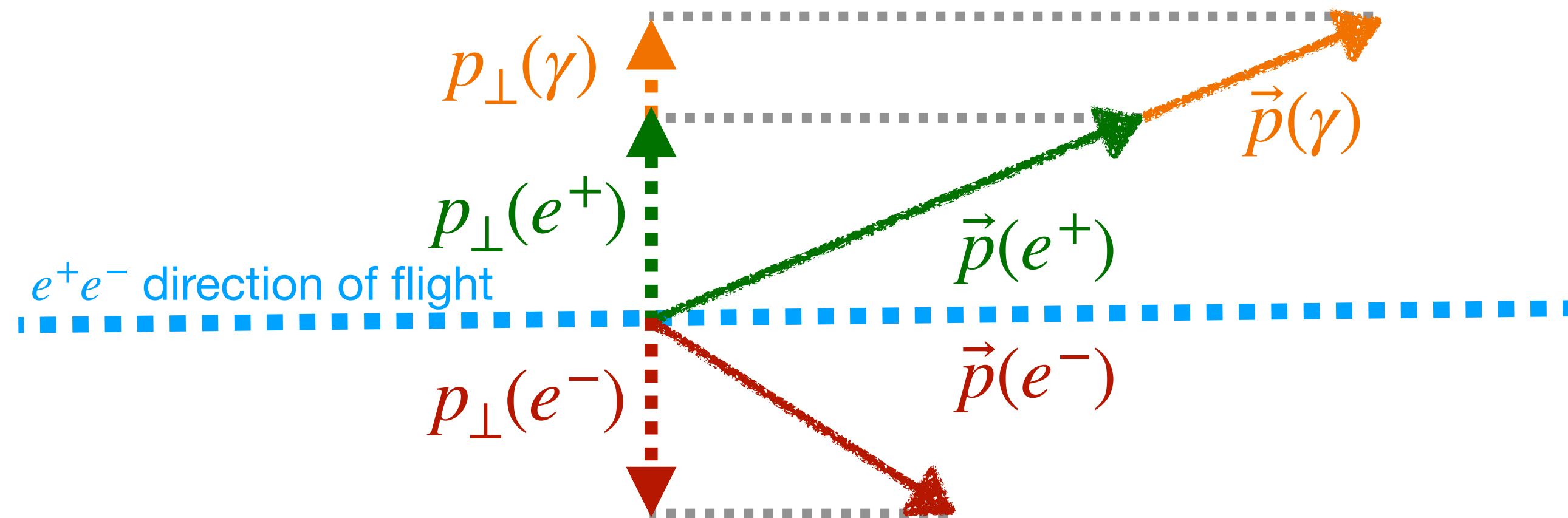
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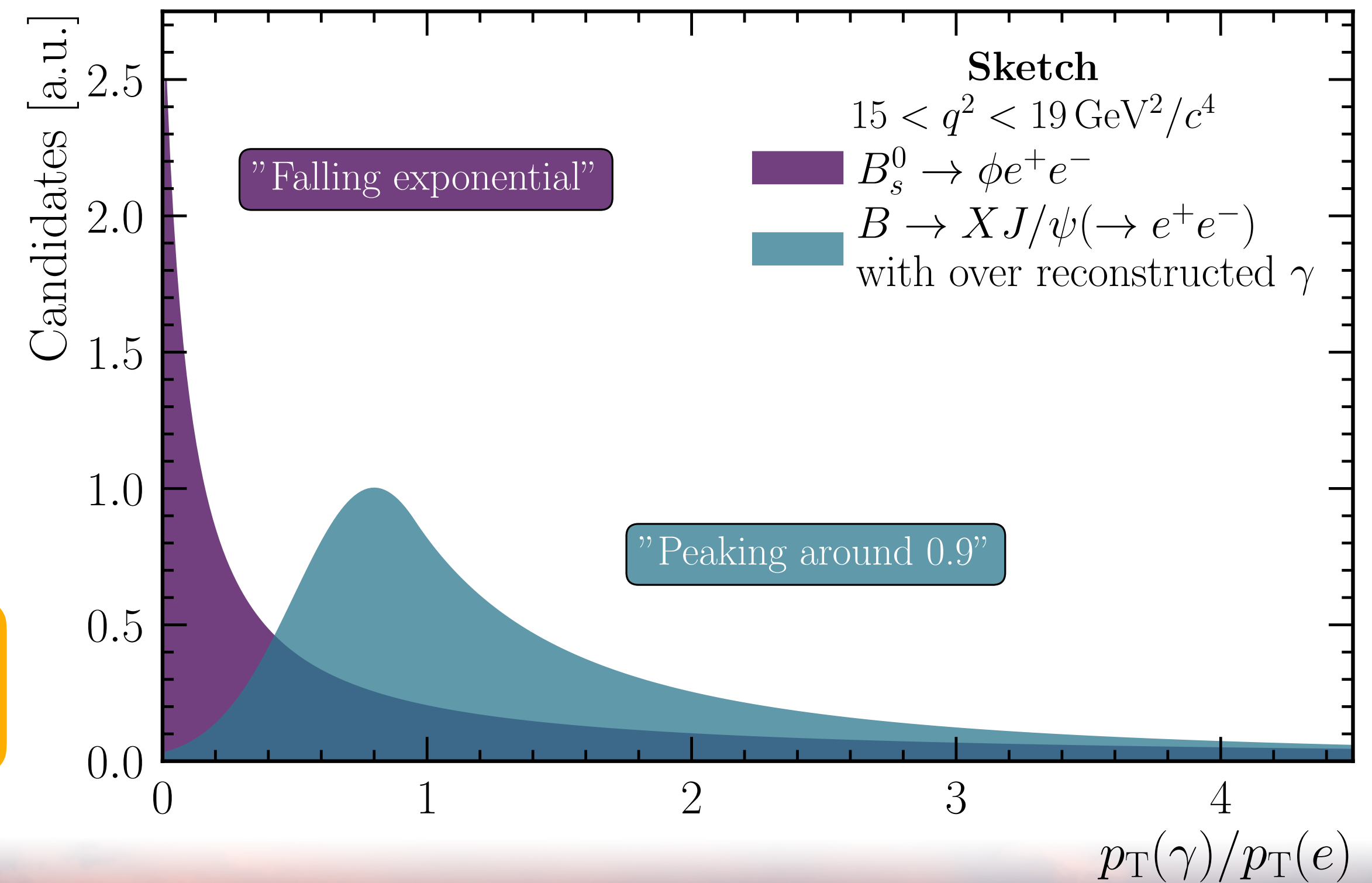
# OVER RECONSTRUCTED BREMSSTRAHLUNG

- Inclusively suppress over reconstructed  $\gamma$  using multivariate classifier
- Leverage ratio of bremsstrahlung momentum to electron momentum
- Momentum asymmetries and isolation of the tracks



Missing energy evaluated from ratio of momenta

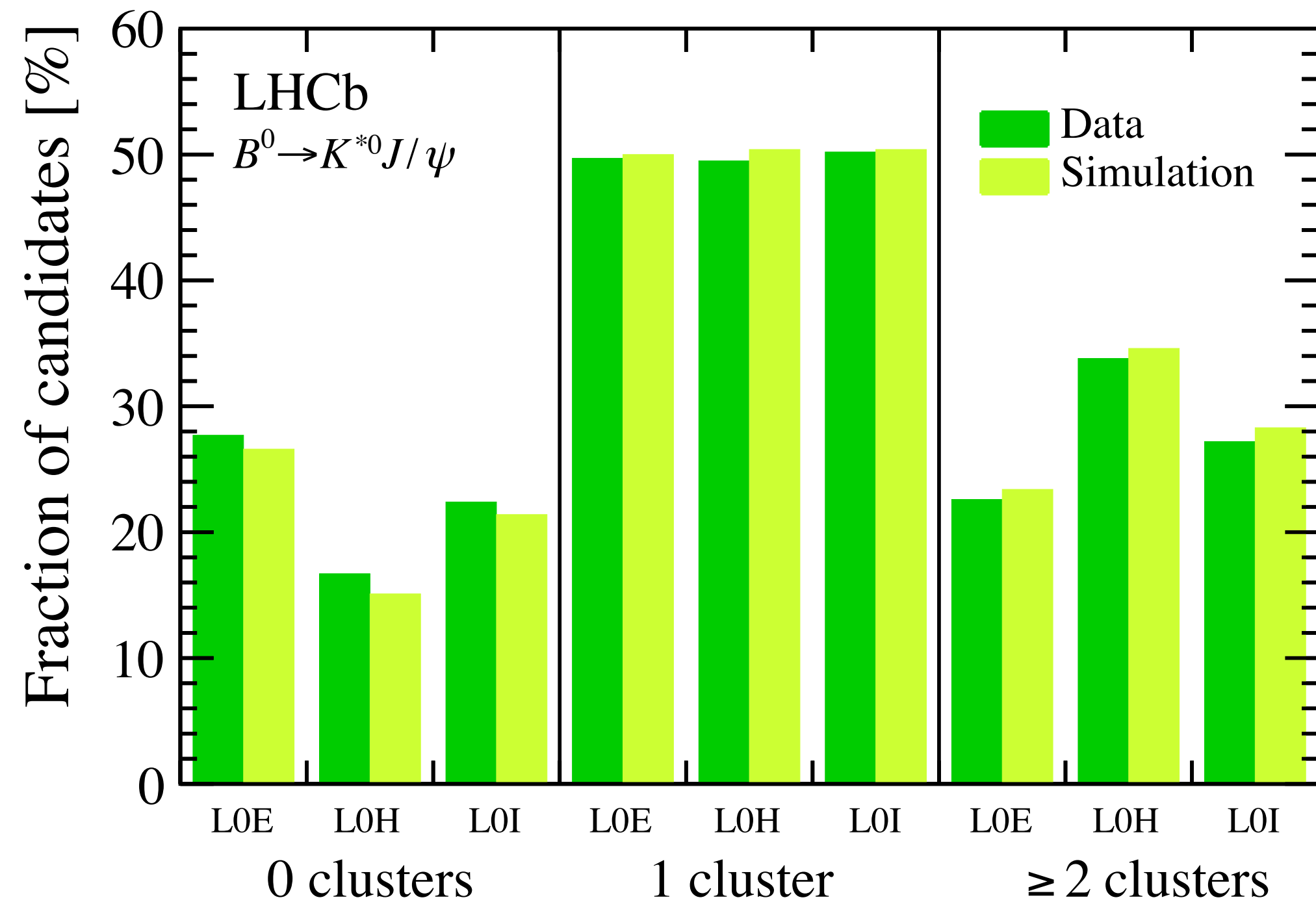
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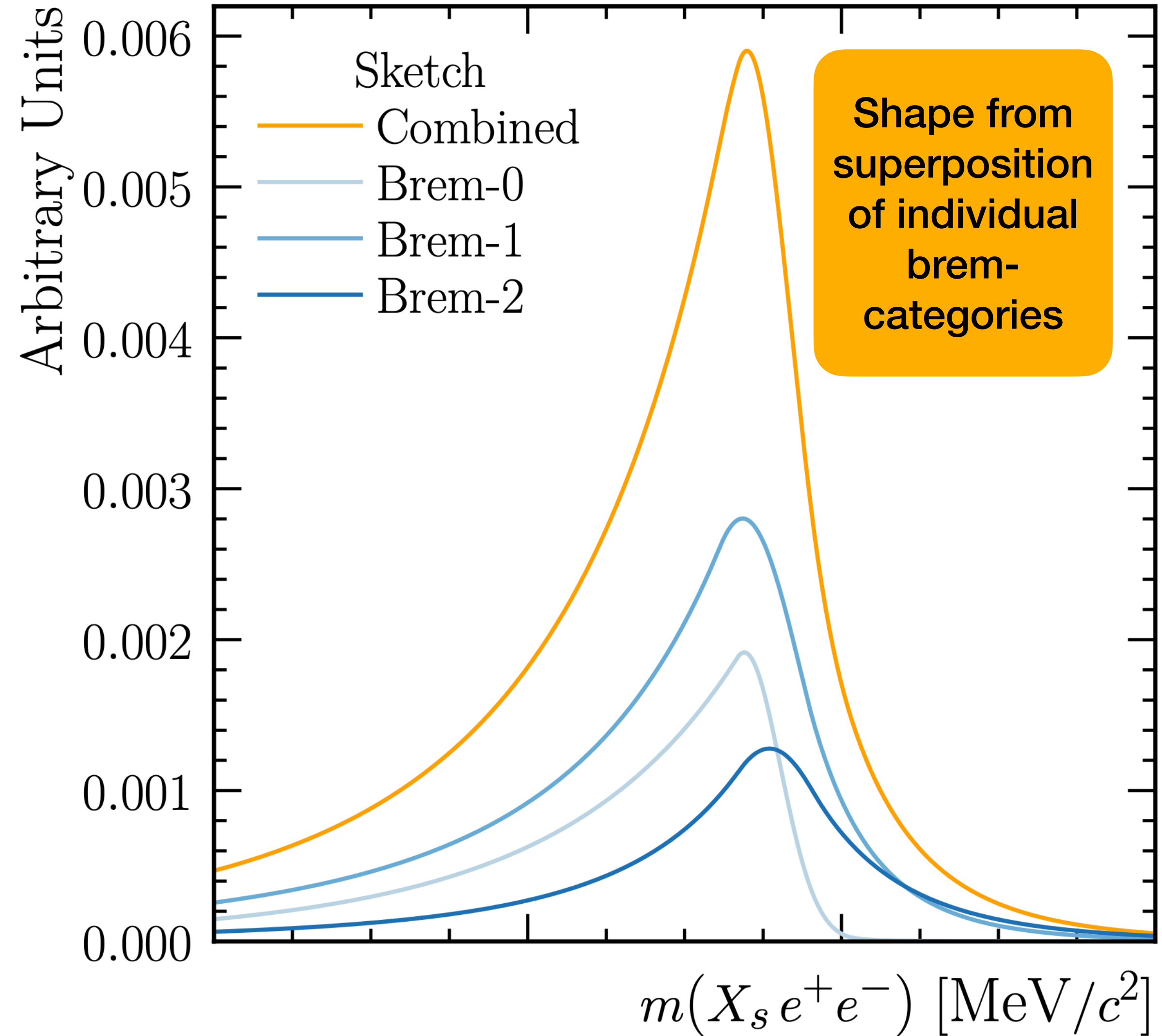


# BREMSSTRAHLUNG AND SHAPES

- Different bremsstrahlung categories:
  - Brem-0: 0 clusters added
  - Brem-1: 1 cluster added
  - Brem-2: 2 or more clusters added



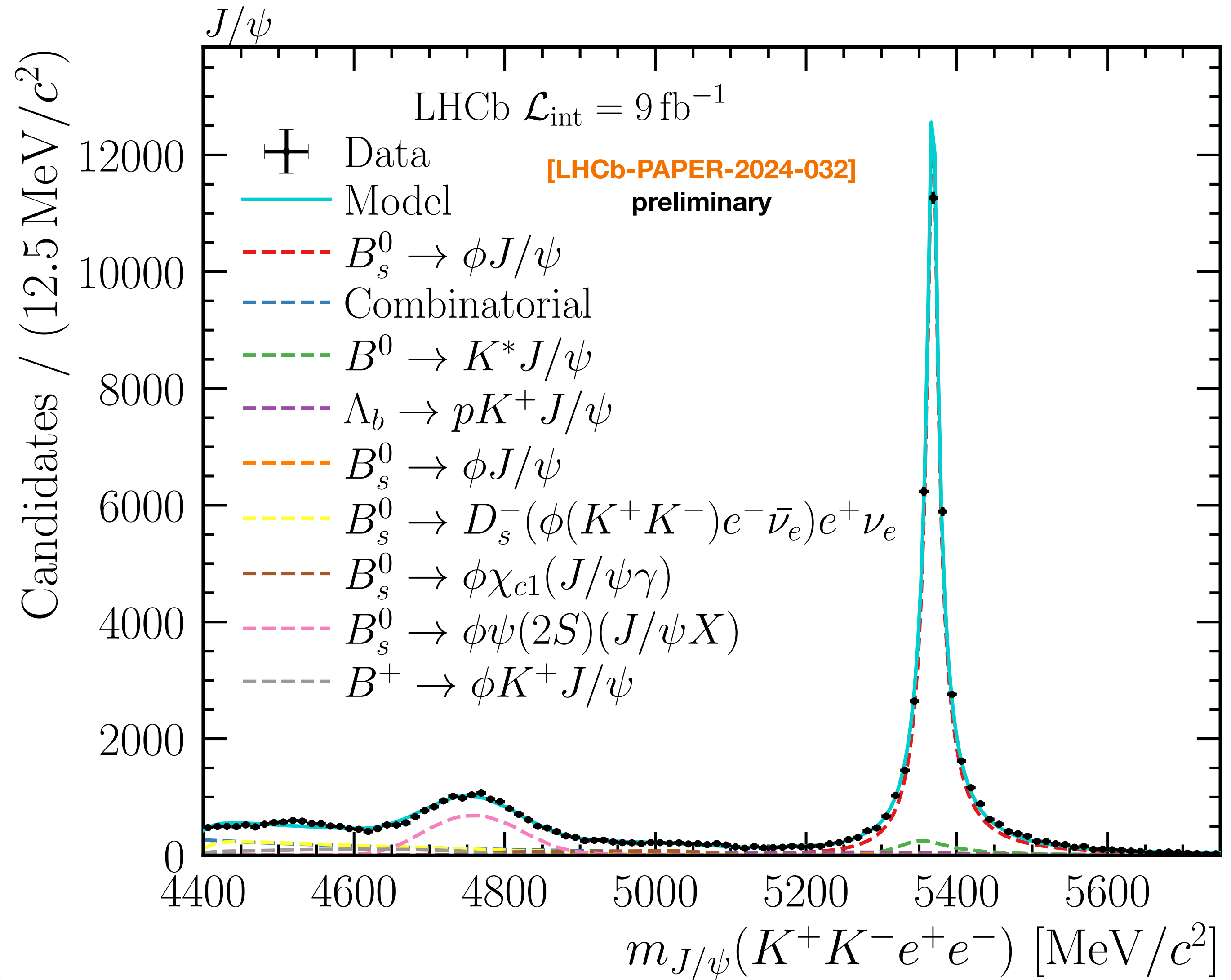
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# EXTENDED MASS RANGE FIT

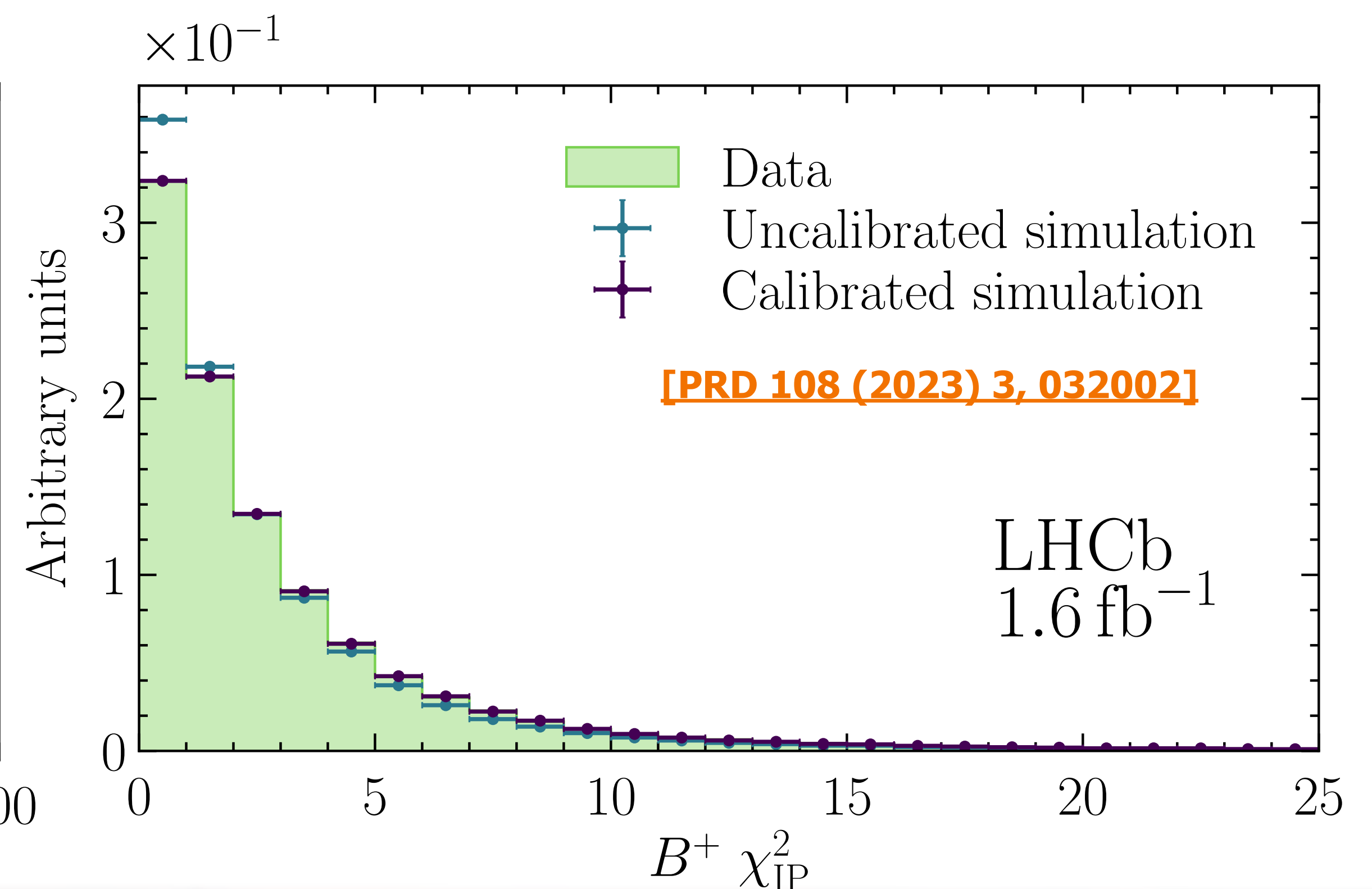
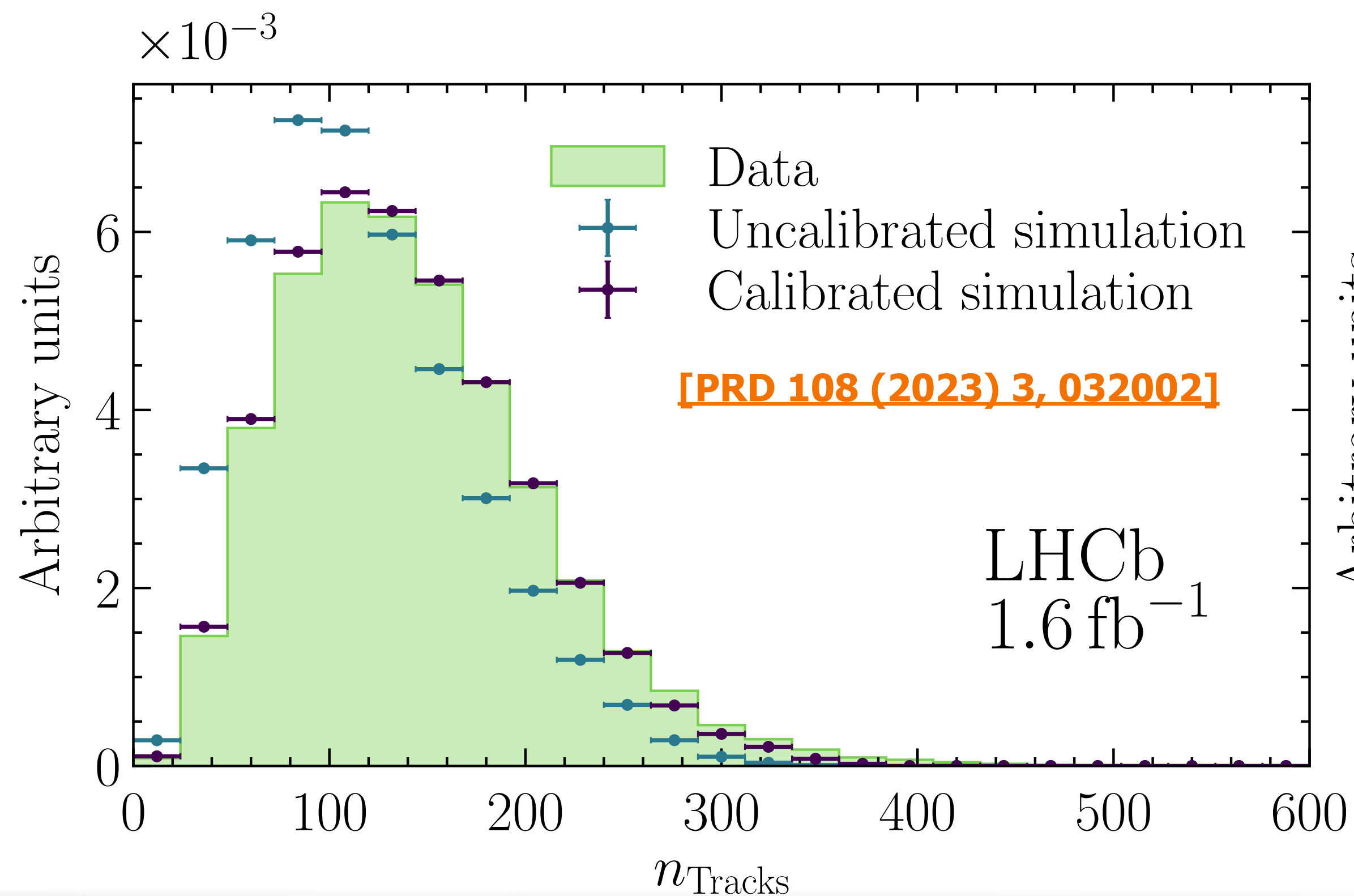
- Demonstrate knowledge of full spectrum down to low  $K^+K^- \ell^+ \ell^-$  masses
- Considered all contributions when asserting leakage for high- $q^2$





# SIMULATION CALIBRATION GEN + RECO

- Calibrated using  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi J/\psi$  decays, similar procedure as [\[PRD 108 \(2023\) 3, 032002\]](#)
- Calibrated with BDT reweighter, background subtraction performed using  $s$  Weighting



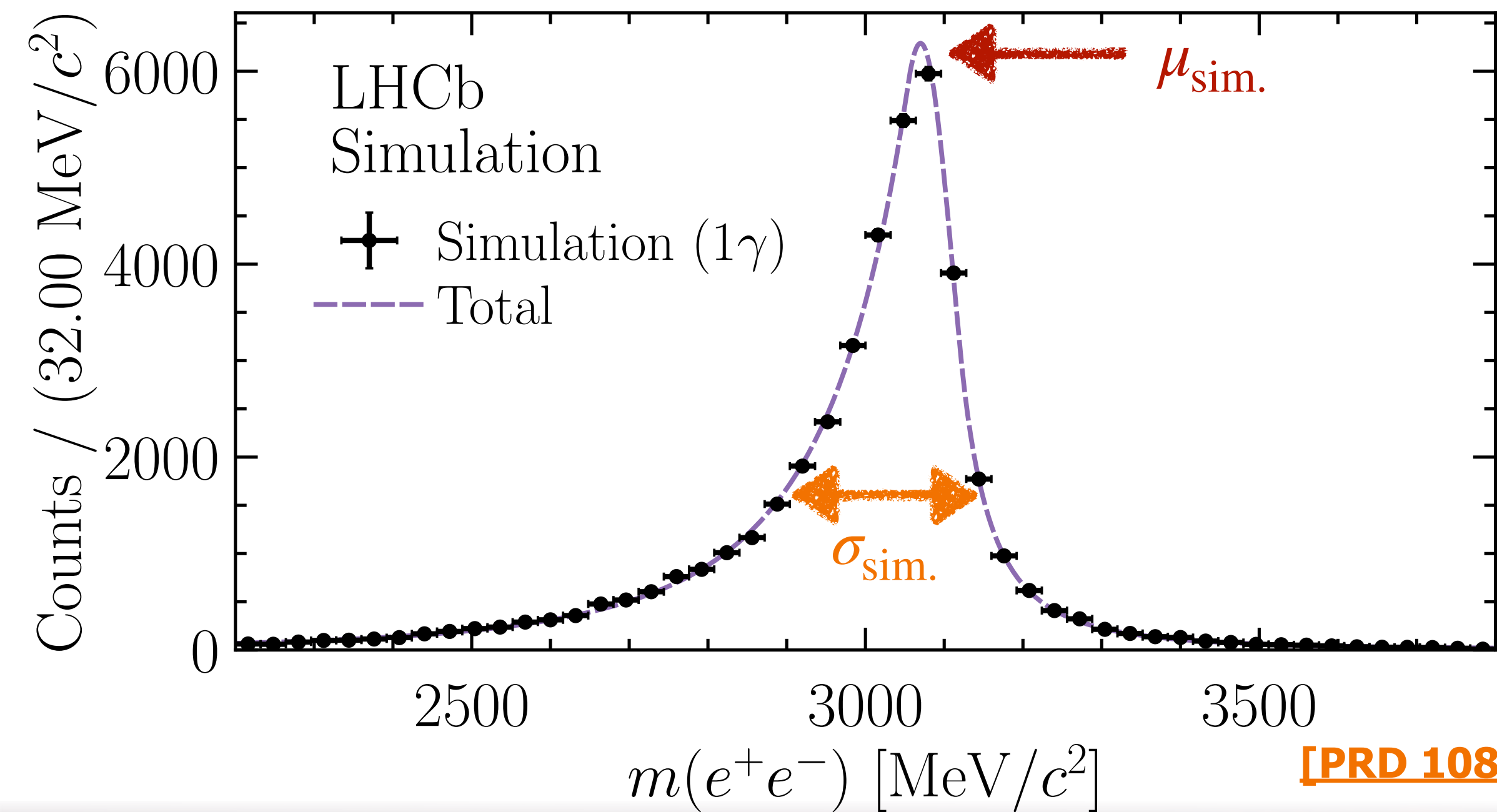


# DILEPTON MASS CALIBRATION

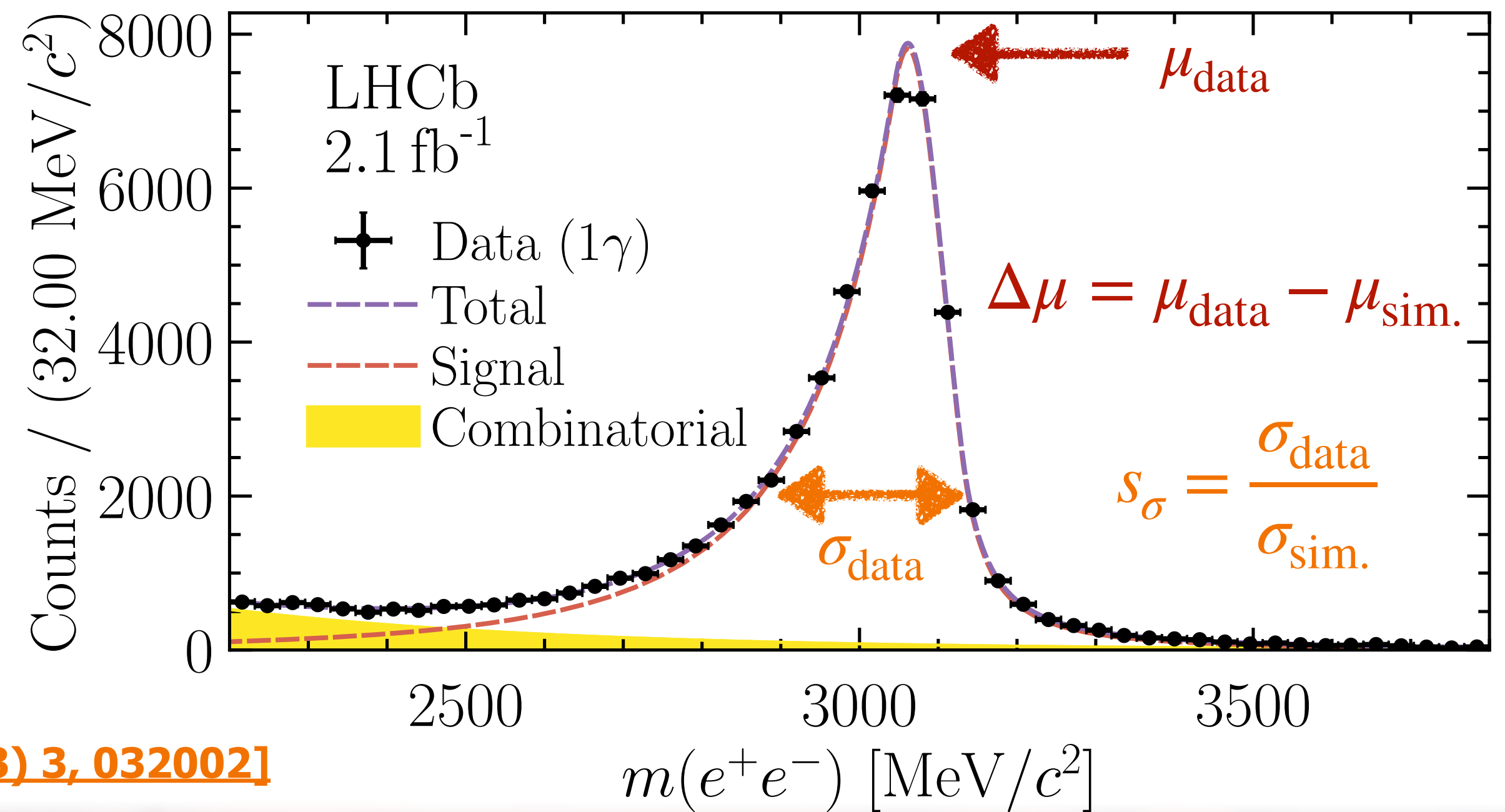
- Extracted from fits to  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi J/\psi (\rightarrow e^+e^-)$  data and simulation
- Determine width scale  $s_\sigma$  and mean shift  $\Delta\mu$  to compute corrected mass

Depending on number of bremsstrahlung  $\gamma$  associated with candidate

- $$m^{\text{corr.}} = m_{\text{pre FSR}}^{\text{true}} + s_\sigma (m^{\text{sim.}} - m_{\text{pre FSR}}^{\text{true}}) + \Delta\mu + (1 - s_\sigma) (\mu^{\text{sim.}} - m_{J/\psi}^{\text{pdg}})$$



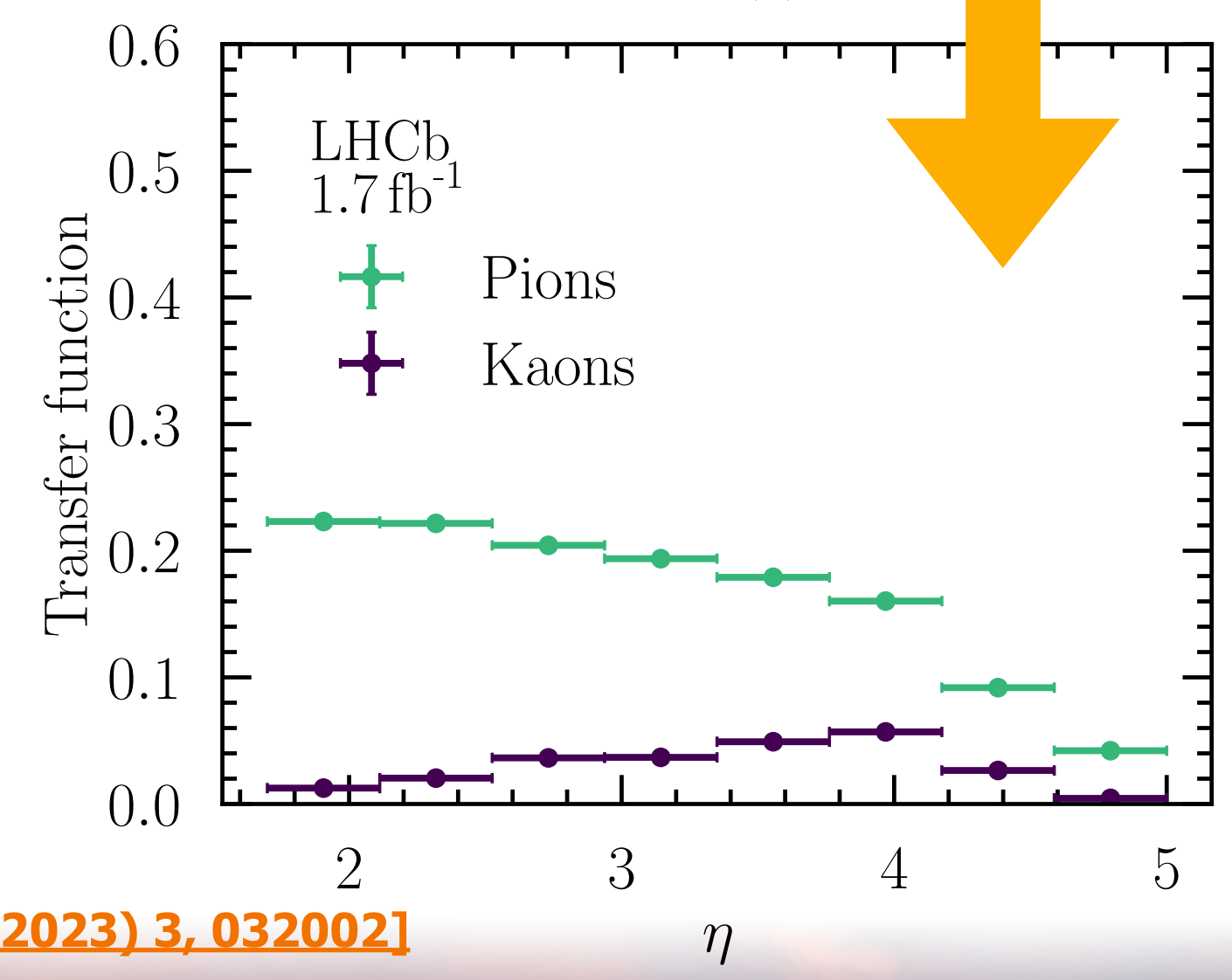
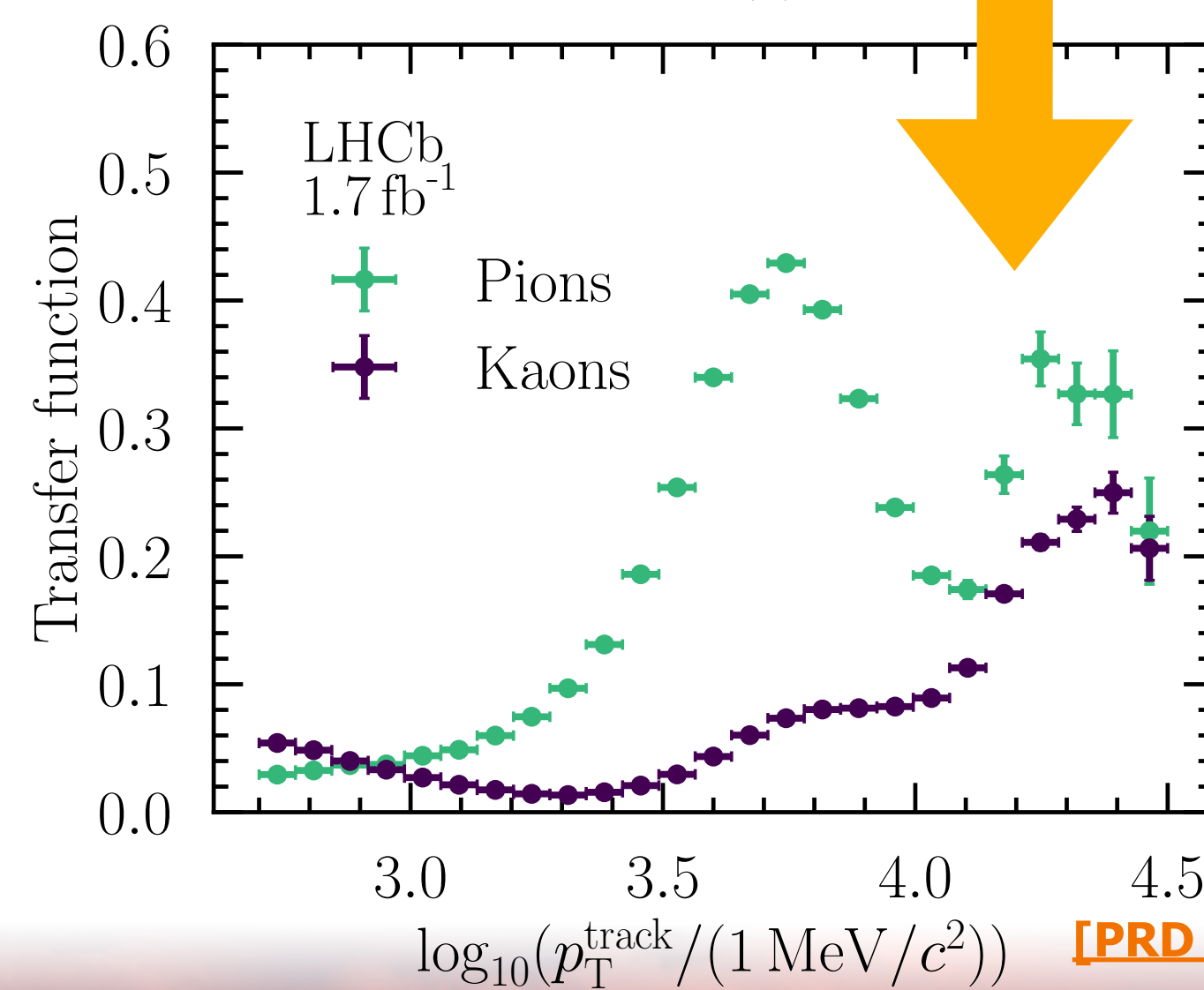
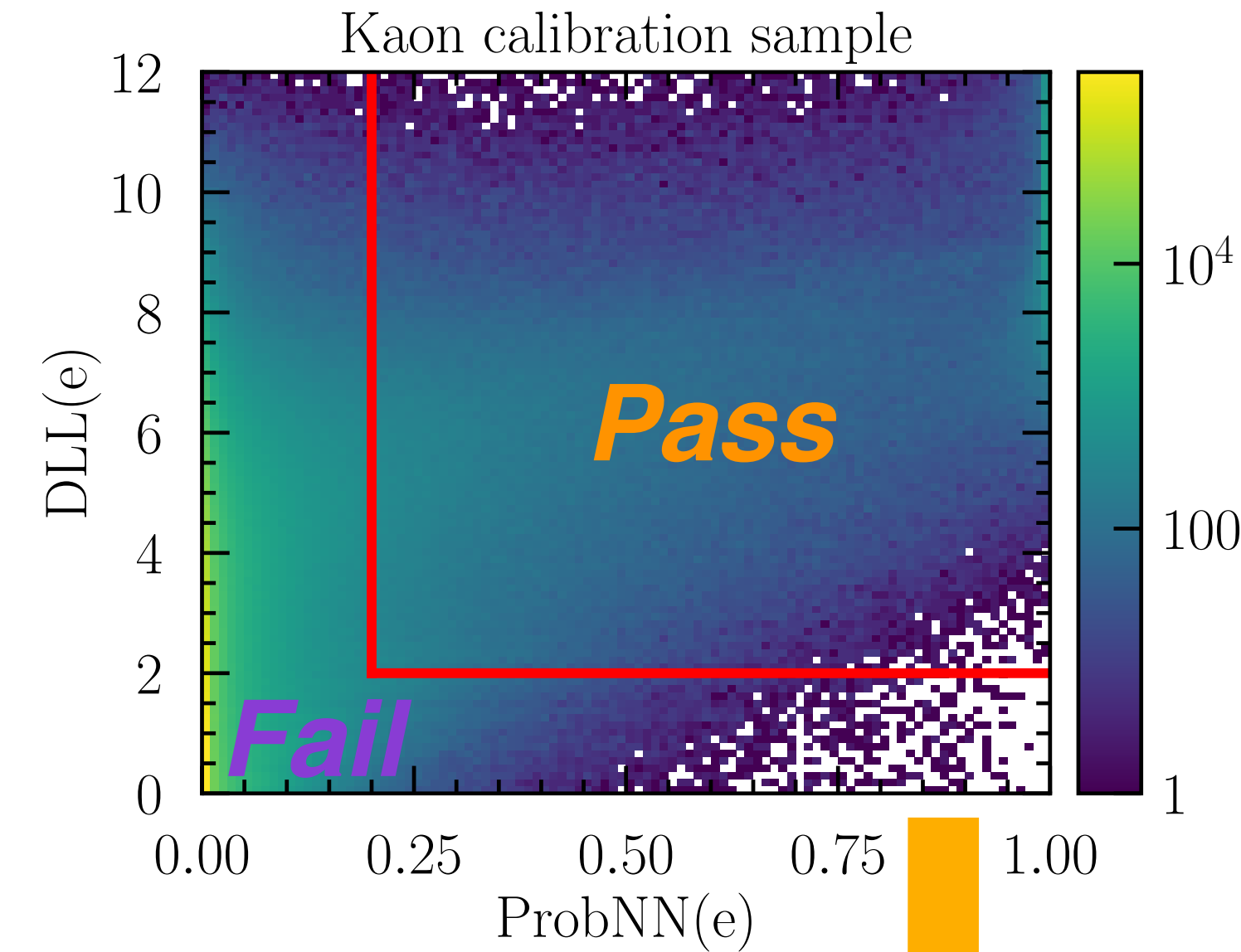
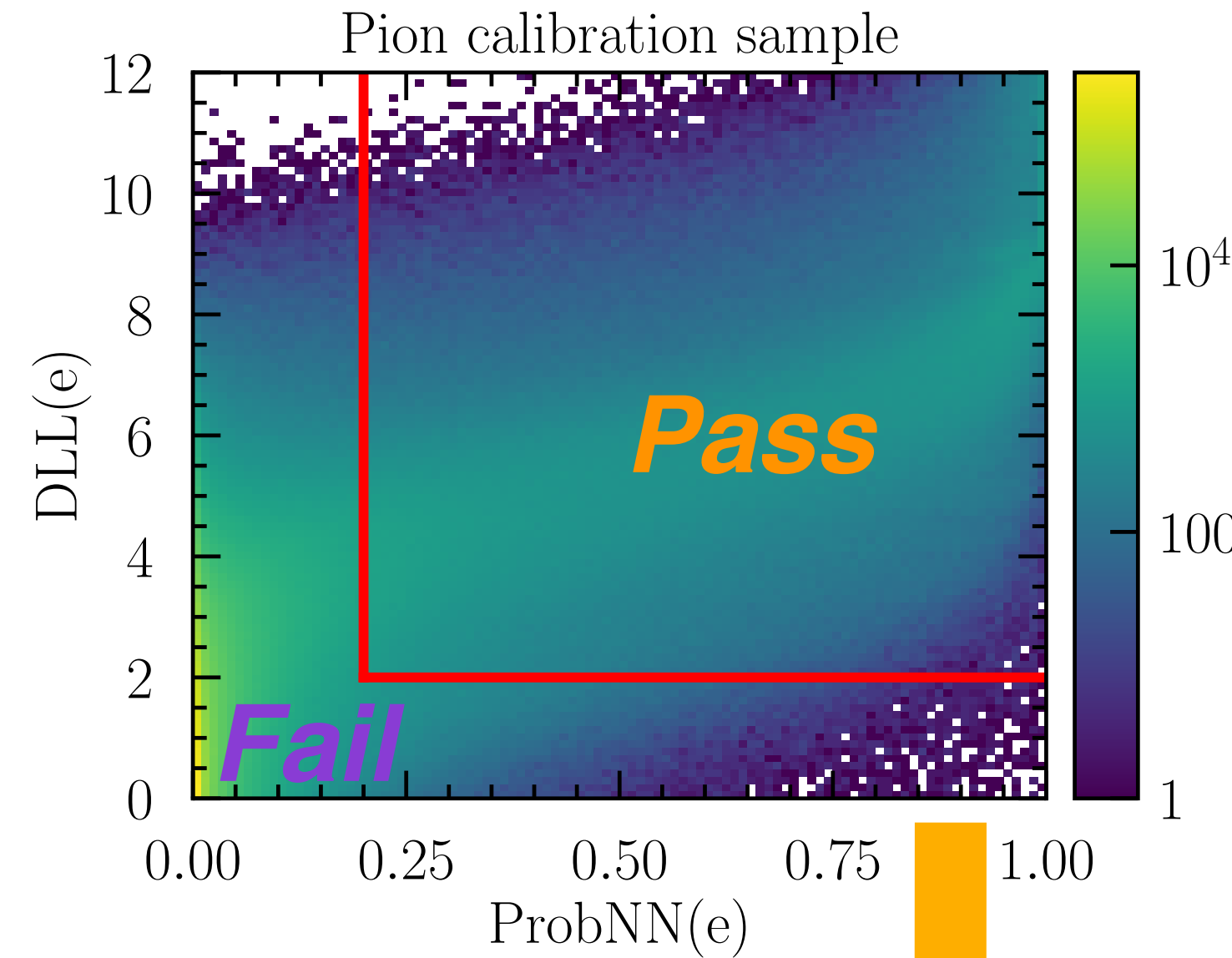
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# MISIDENTIFIED ELECTRON BACKGROUNDS

- Strategy follows [\[PRD 108 \(2023\) 3, 032002\]](#)
- **Calibration sample** with  $D^{*-} \rightarrow \bar{D}^0(\rightarrow K^+\pi^-)\pi^-$  decays
  - High purity and sample size
- **Transfer function:**  $\frac{\text{Pass}}{\text{Fail}}$  in bins of  $p_T, \eta, \text{L0-trigger decision}$
- **Validated** using  $D \rightarrow K\pi$  decays in  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi e^+e^-$  data
  - Can be isolated when removing selection requirements



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