



Welcome to the LHCb Starterkit

Physics Coordination

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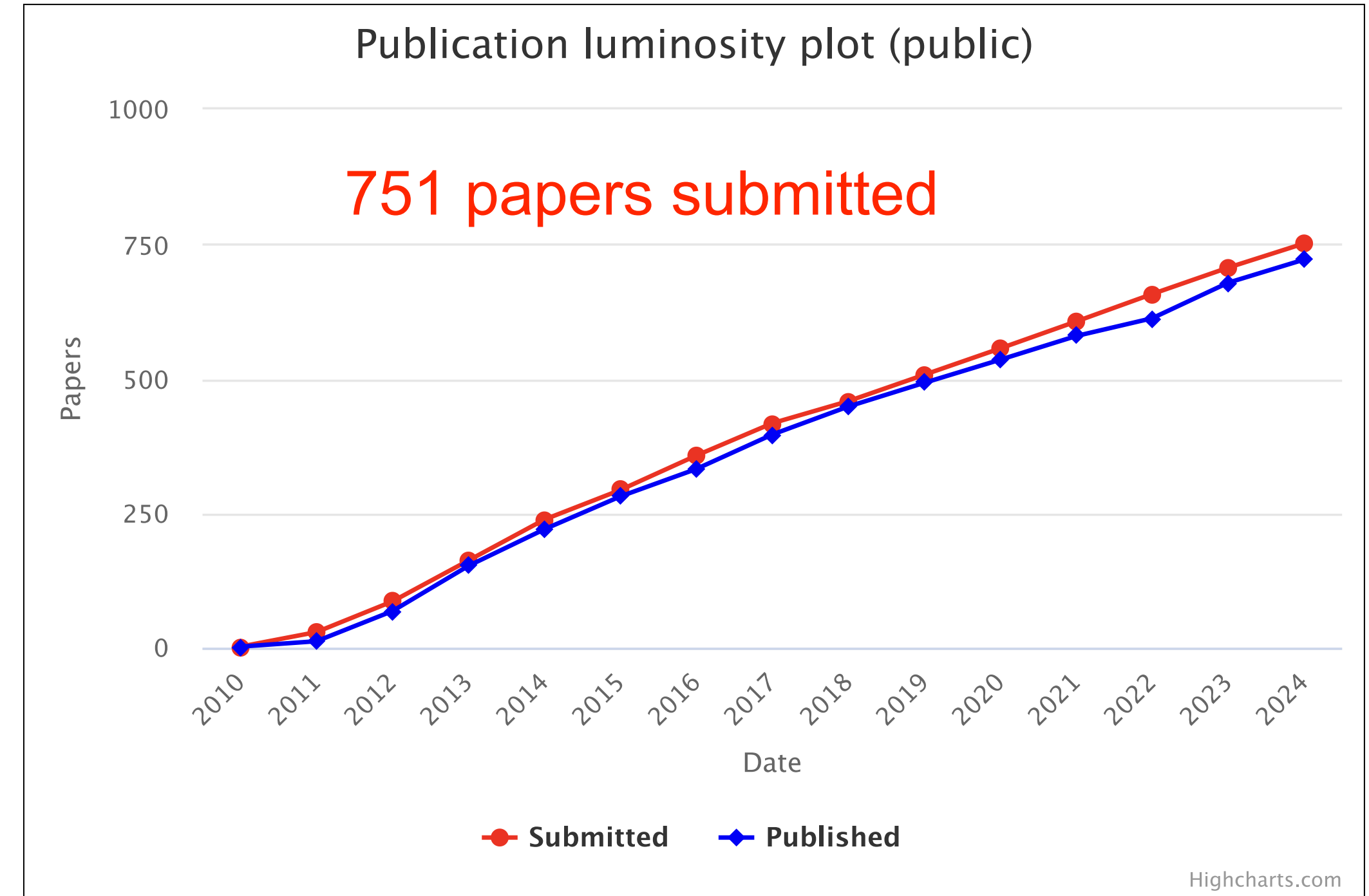
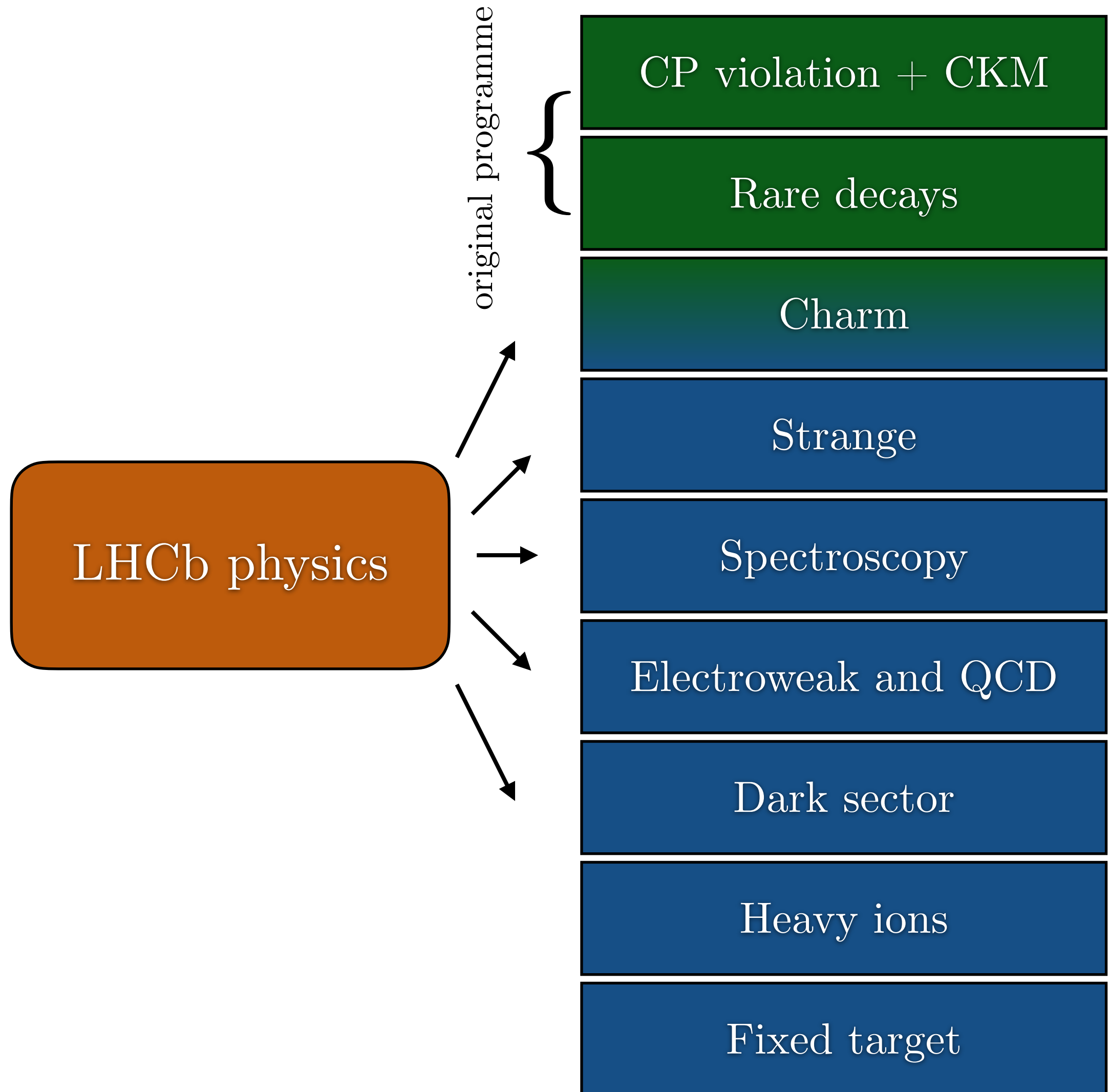
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Physics coordination

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- You can also reach us at lhcb-physics-coordination@cern.ch
- Some of our responsibilities:
 - we organise and chair the PPG meetings
 - we chair the approval presentations
 - we give weekly reports at the Tuesday Meeting
 - we give reports at the LHCb week
 - we approve the release of physics results (to conferences and to papers)
 - we coordinate the communication with the CERN courier and CERN seminars
 - we read and write lots and lots of emails...

The LHCb physics programme



Broad variety of physics topics!
~50 publications every year

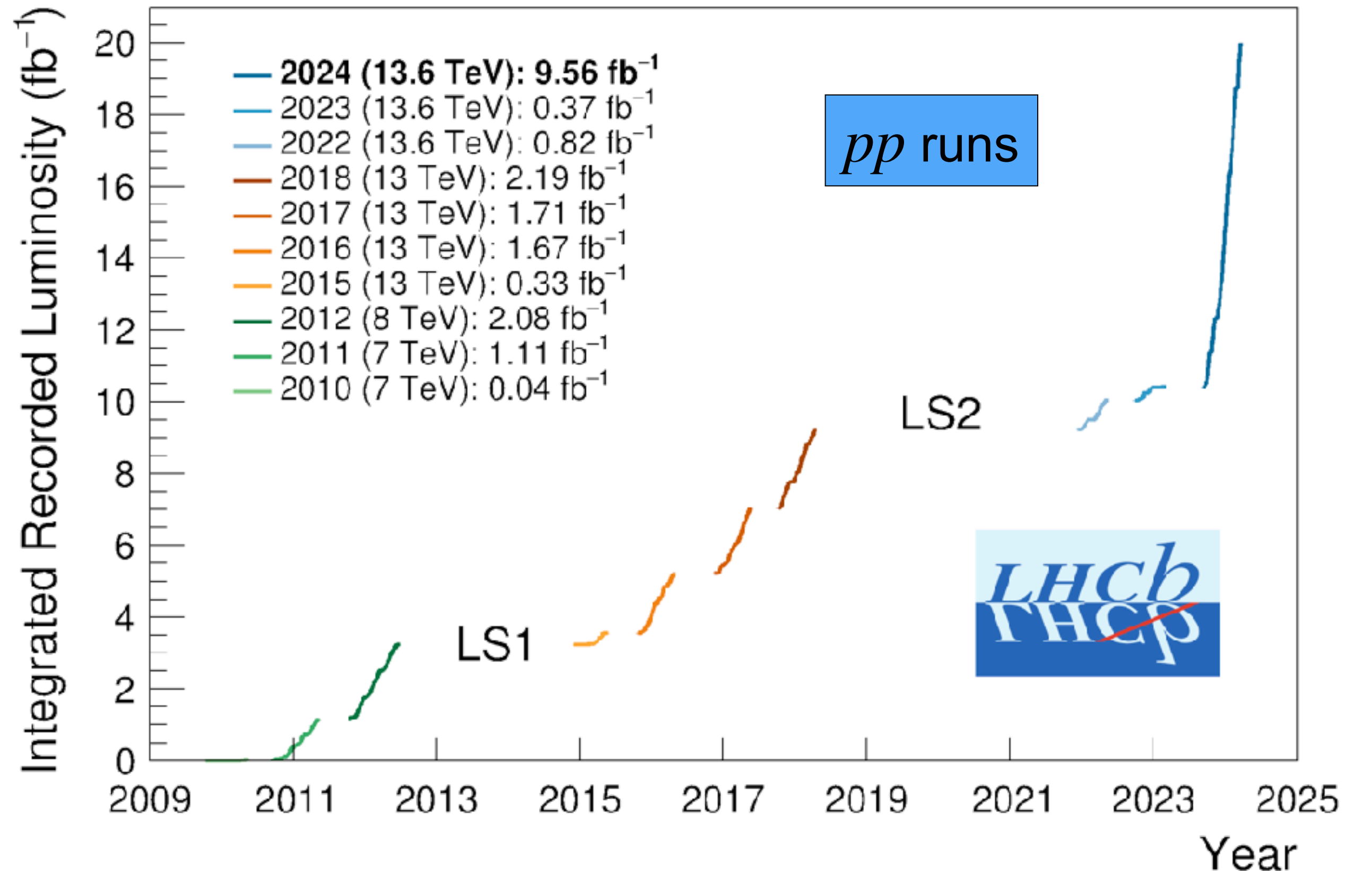
LHCb Datasets

- Run 1 = 2011 + 2012 → 3 fb⁻¹
- Run 2 = 2015 + 2016 + 2017 + 2018 → 6 fb⁻¹
- Run 3 = 2022 + 2023 + 2024 (+ 2025 + 2026) → 10 fb⁻¹

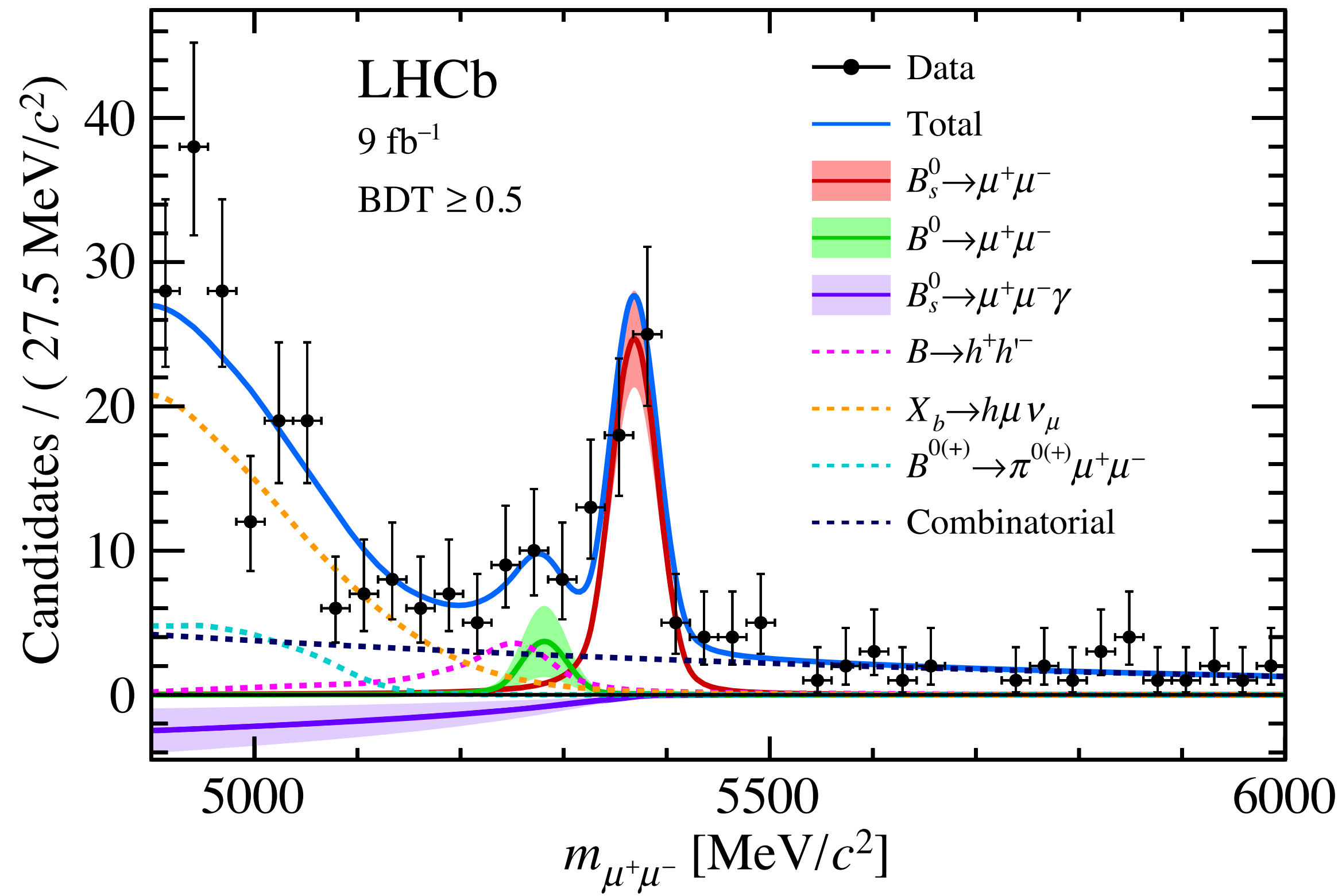
Total ≈ 10¹² B mesons

- 2011: $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV
- 2012: $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV
- Run 2: $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV
- Run 3: $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$ TeV
- $\sigma_{b\bar{b}} \sim \sqrt{s} \Rightarrow N_{b\bar{b}}$ scales with luminosity and with energy

[+ PbPb (+pPb +Pbp) datasets]



Rare decays: $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

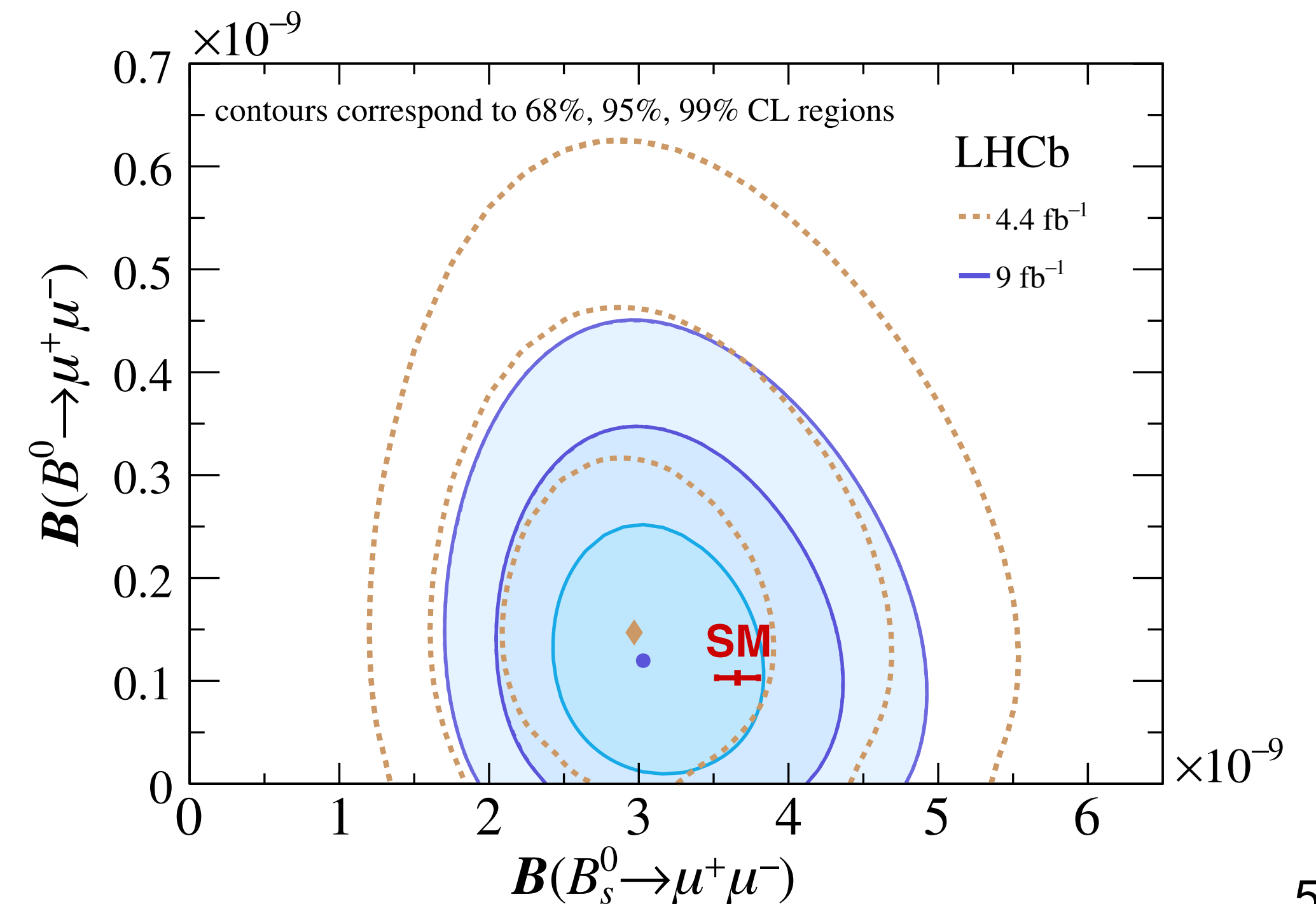


$$\mathcal{B}(B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = \frac{\mathcal{B}_{\text{norm}} \epsilon_{\text{norm}} f_{\text{norm}}}{N_{\text{norm}} \epsilon_{\text{sig}} f_{d(s)}} N_{B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-}$$

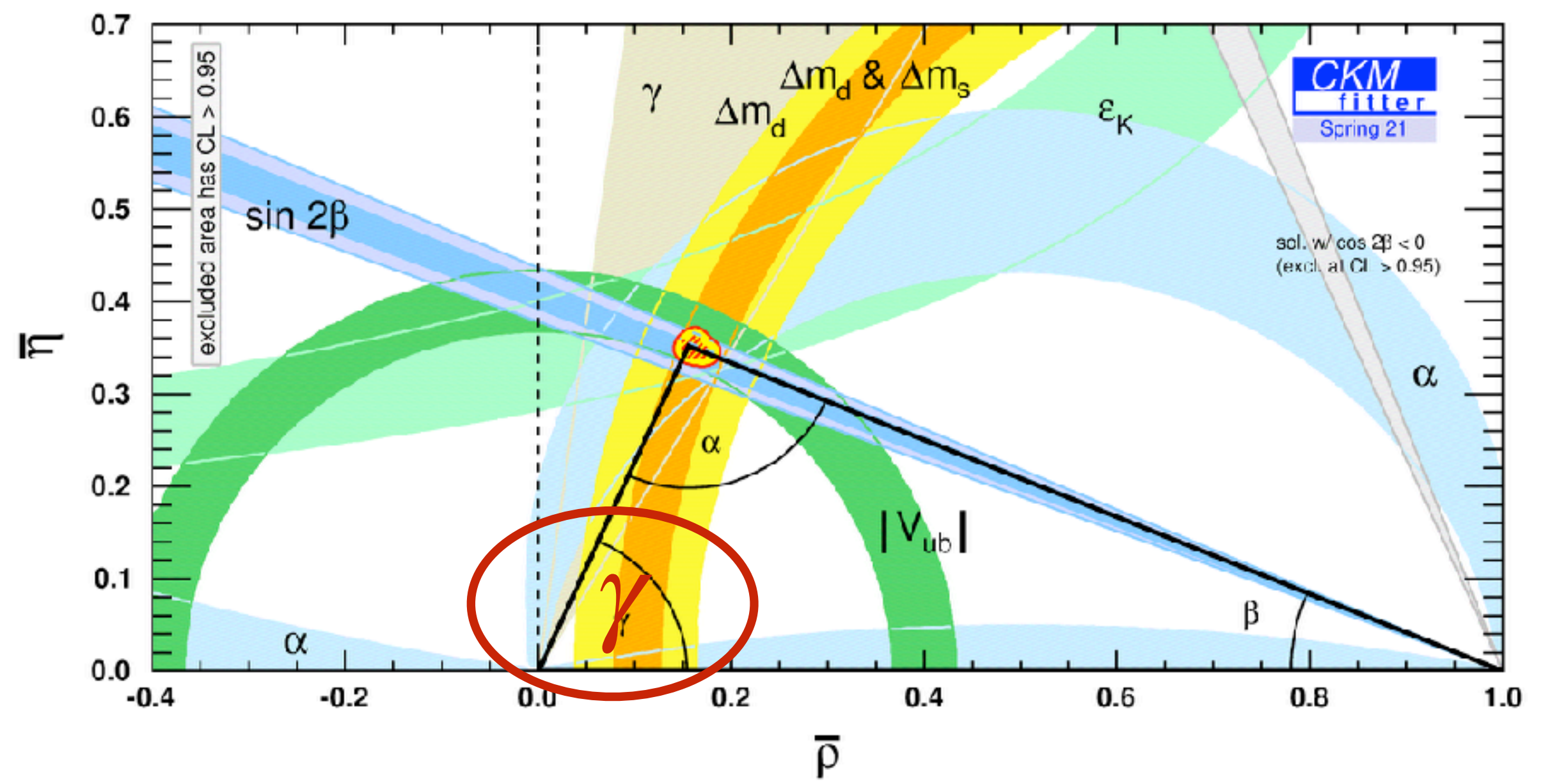
$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.09^{+0.46+0.15}_{-0.43-0.11}) \times 10^{-9},$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (1.2^{+0.8}_{-0.7} \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-10}, < 2.6 \times 10^{-10}$$

Take advantage of cancellation of systematic effects in ratios
 Huge data sample allows to reach sensitivity down to 10^{-9}



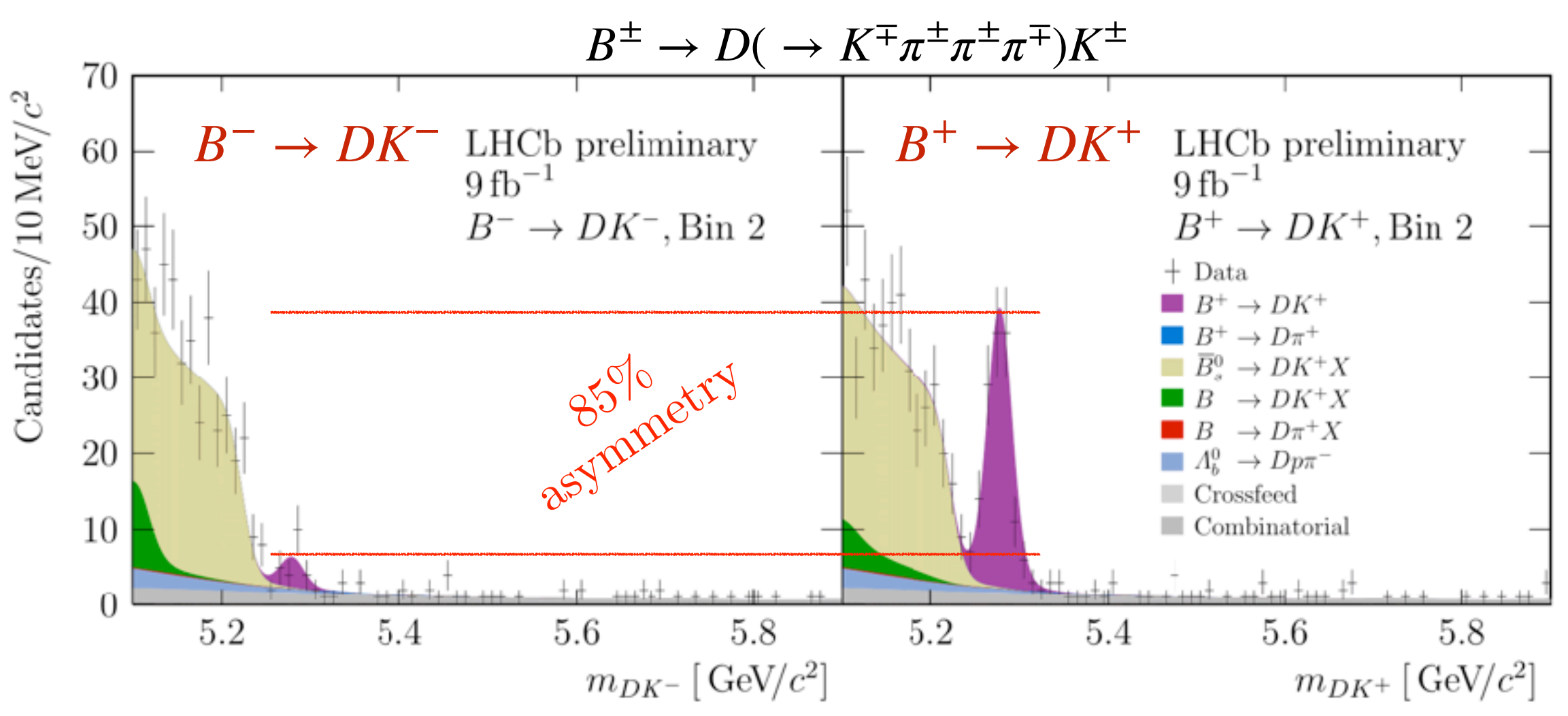
CKM angle γ



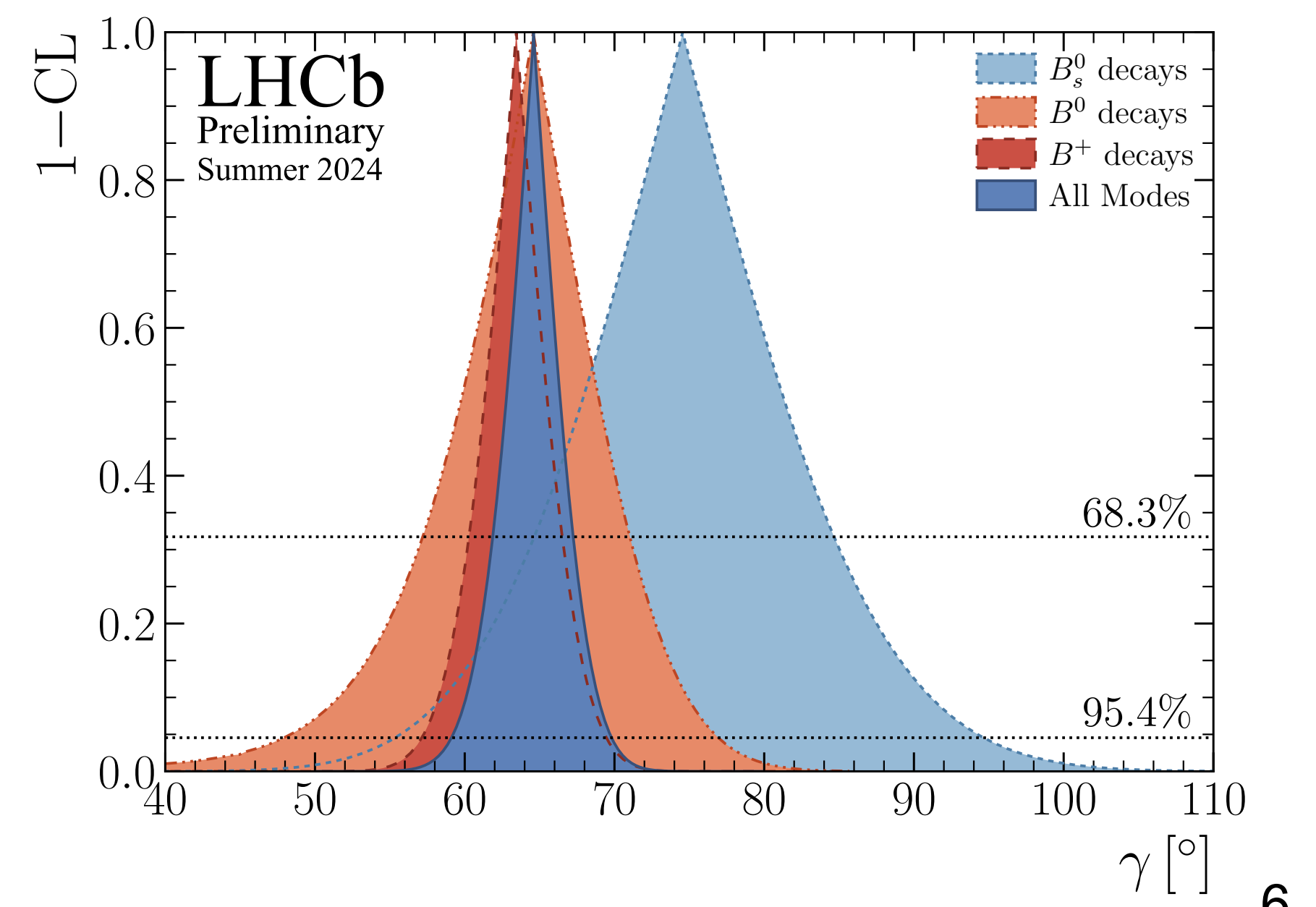
Combination of several results

$$\gamma = (64.6 \pm 2.8)^\circ$$

B decay	D decay	Ref.	Dataset	Status since Ref. [14]
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow h^\pm h^\mp$	[35]	Run 1&2	As before
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow h^\pm h^\mp \pi^\pm \pi^\mp$	[19]	Run 1&2	New
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\mp \pi^\pm \pi^\mp$	[36]	Run 1&2	As before
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow h^\pm h^\mp \pi^0$	[37]	Run 1&2	As before
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^\pm h^\mp$	[38]	Run 1&2	As before
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0 K^\pm \pi^\mp$	[39]	Run 1&2	As before
$B^\pm \rightarrow D^* h^\pm$	$D \rightarrow h^\pm h^\mp$ (PR)	[35]	Run 1&2	As before
$B^\pm \rightarrow D^* h^\pm$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^\pm h^\mp$ (PR)	[20]	Run 1&2	New
$B^\pm \rightarrow D^* h^\pm$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^\pm h^\mp$ (FR)	[21]	Run 1&2	New
$B^\pm \rightarrow DK^\pm$	$D \rightarrow h^\pm h^\mp$	[22] [†]	Run 1&2	Updated
$B^\pm \rightarrow DK^\pm$	$D \rightarrow h^\pm \pi^\mp \pi^\pm \pi^\mp$	[22] [†]	Run 1&2	Updated
$B^\pm \rightarrow DK^\pm$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^\pm h^\mp$	[22] [†]	Run 1&2	New
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm \pi^\pm \pi^\mp$	$D \rightarrow h^\pm h^\mp$	[40]	Run 1	As before
$B^0 \rightarrow DK^0$	$D \rightarrow h^\pm h^\mp$	[23]	Run 1&2	Updated
$B^0 \rightarrow DK^0$	$D \rightarrow h^\pm \pi^\mp \pi^\pm \pi^\mp$	[23]	Run 1&2	Updated
$B^0 \rightarrow DK^0$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^\pm h^\mp$	[24]	Run 1&2	Updated
$B^0 \rightarrow D^+ \pi^-$	$D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$	[41]	Run 1	As before
$B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ K^-$	$D_s^+ \rightarrow h^\pm h^\mp \pi^\pm$	[25, 42] [†]	Run 1&2	Updated
$B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+ K^\pm \pi^\mp$	$D_s^+ \rightarrow h^\pm h^\mp \pi^\pm$	[43]	Run 1&2	As before
D decay	Observable(s)	Ref.	Dataset	Status since Ref. [14]
$D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^-$	ΔA_{CP}	[44-46]	Run 1&2	As before
$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-$	$A_{CP}(K^+ K^-)$	[46-48]	Run 2	As before
$D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^-$	$y_{CP} - y_{CP}^{K^+ \pi^+}$	[49, 50]	Run 1&2	As before
$D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^-$	ΔY	[51-54]	Run 1&2	As before
$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ (double tag)	$R^\pm, (x^\pm)^2, y^\pm$	[55]	Run 1	As before
$D^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$ (single tag)	$R_{K^\pm}, A_{K^\pm}, c_{K^\pm}^{(0)}, \Delta c_{K^\pm}^{(0)}$	[27, 56]	Run 1&2	Updated
$D^0 \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\mp \pi^\pm \pi^\mp$	$(x^2 + y^2)/4$	[57]	Run 1	As before
$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$	x, y	[58]	Run 1	As before
$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$	$x_{CP}, y_{CP}, \Delta x, \Delta y$	[59]	Run 1	As before
$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$	$x_{CP}, y_{CP}, \Delta x, \Delta y$	[60, 61]	Run 2	As before
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	ΔY^{eff}	[26]	Run 2	New



CKM angle γ determined from tree processes

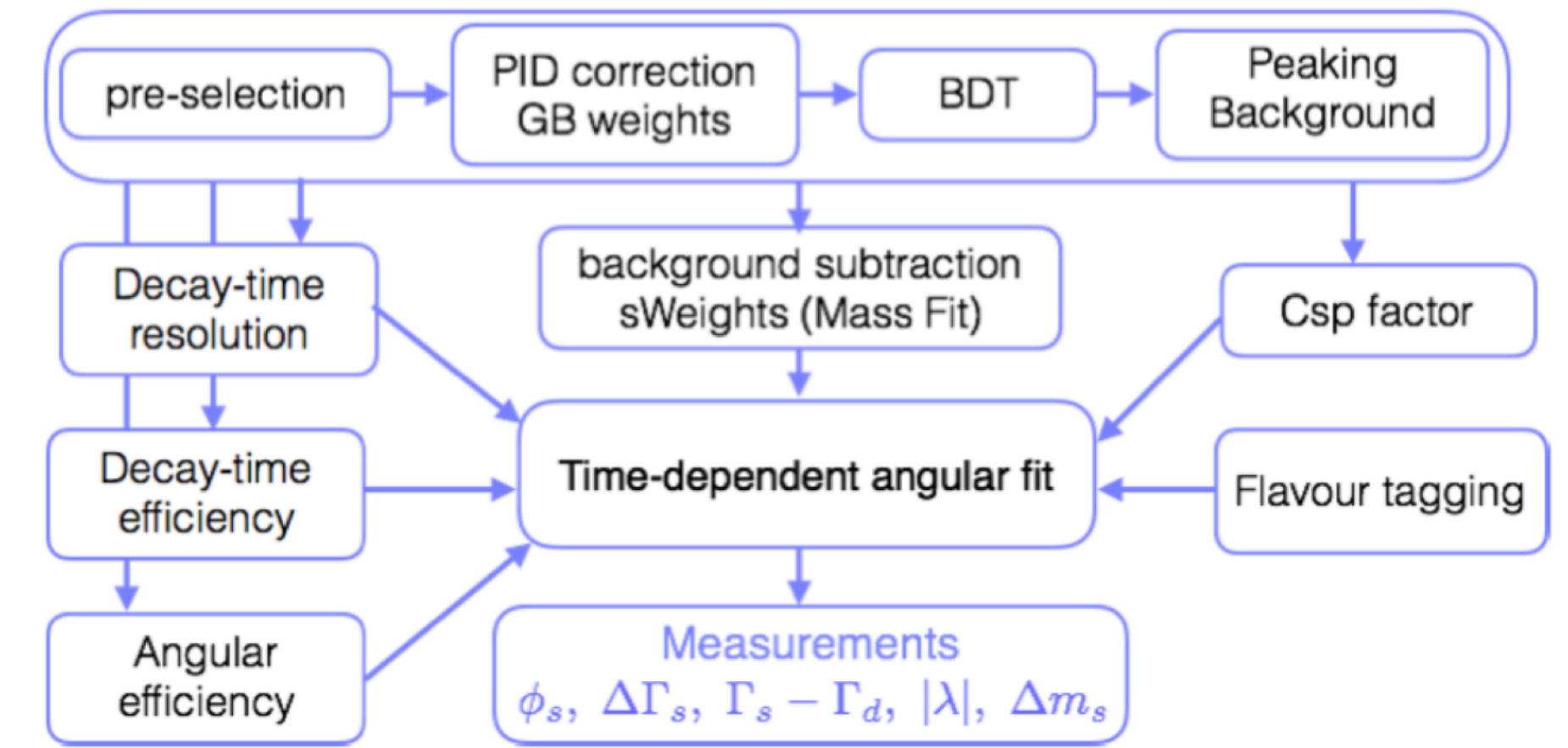
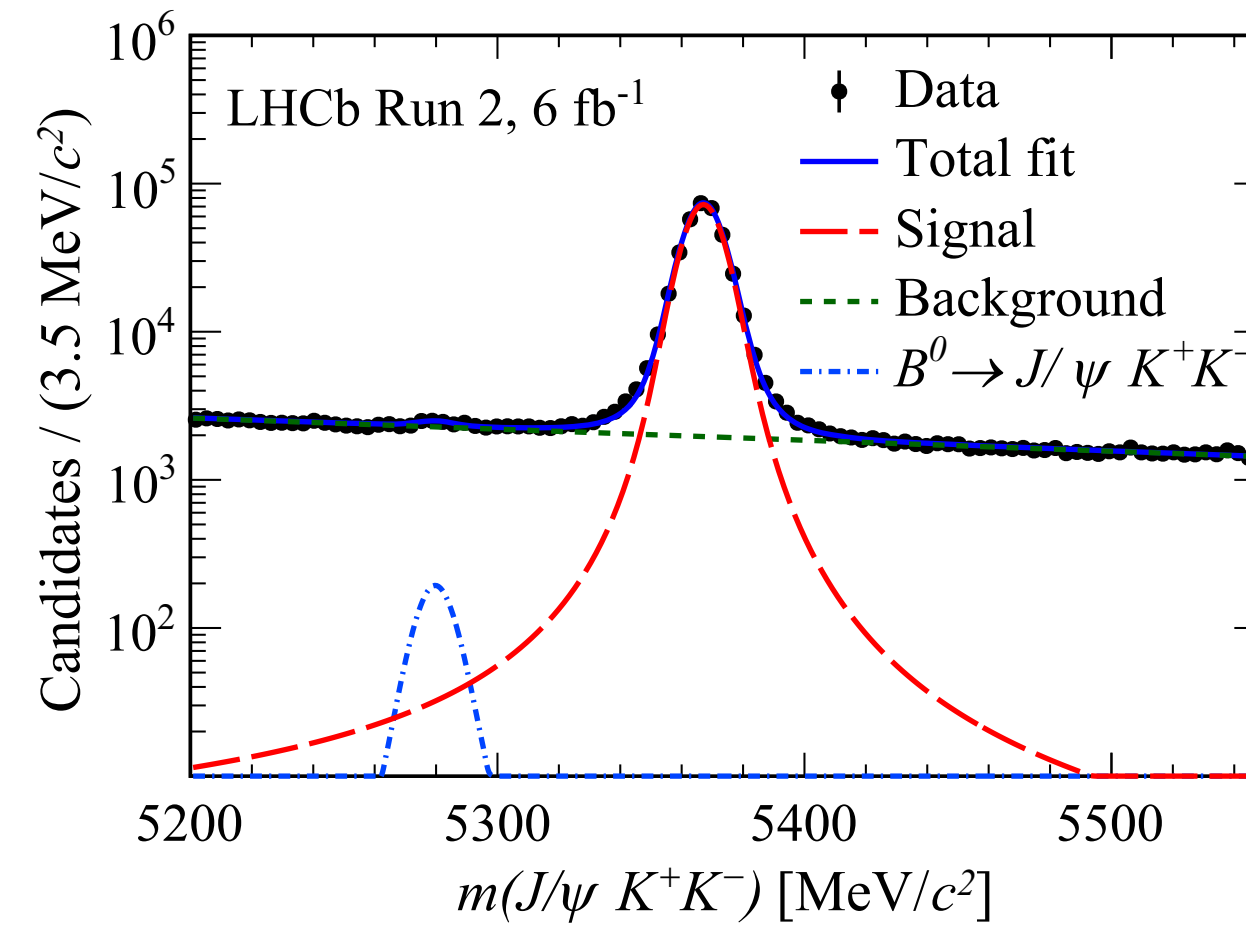


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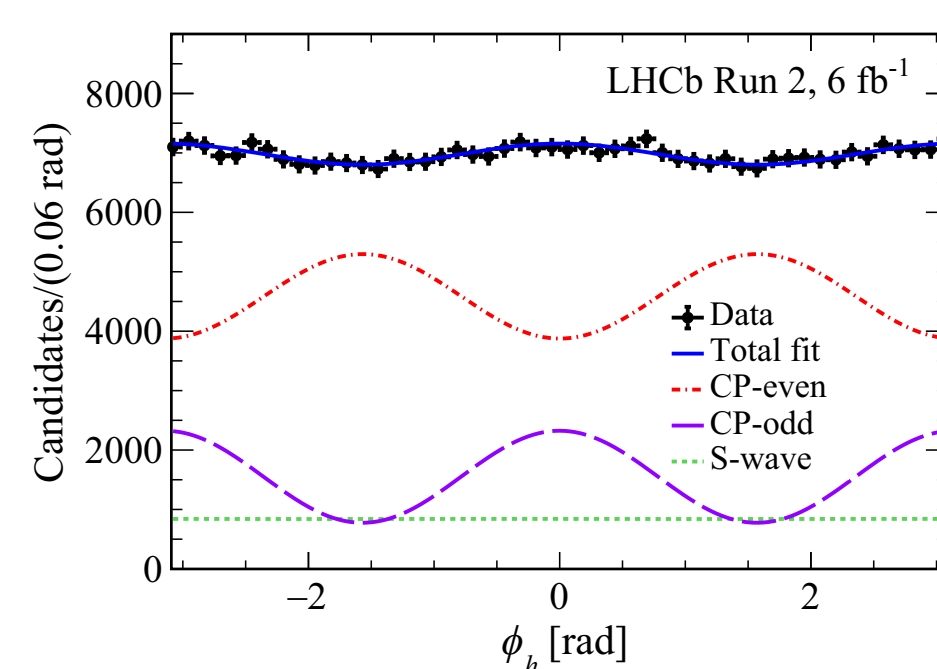
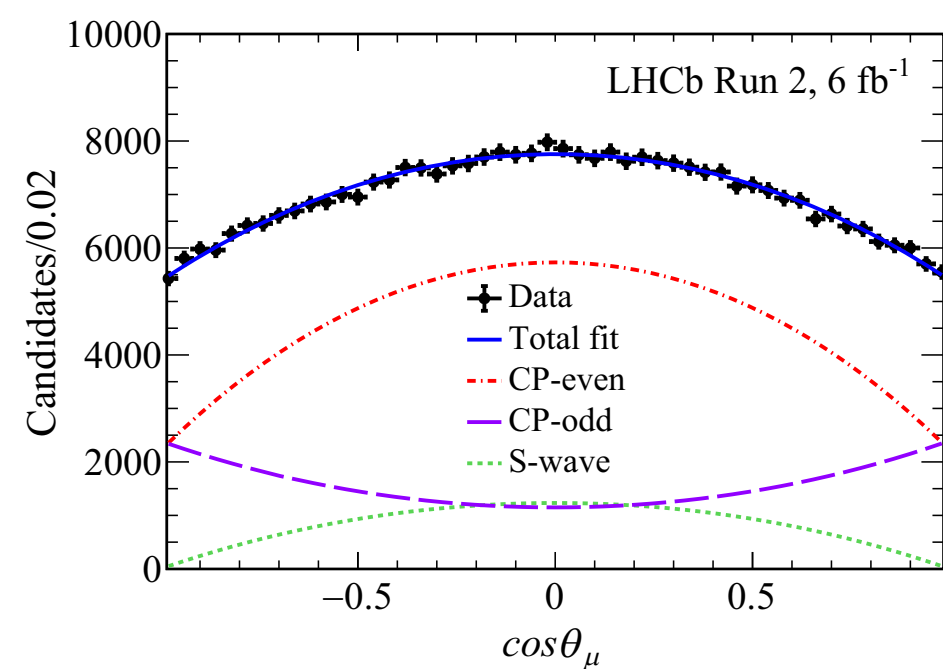
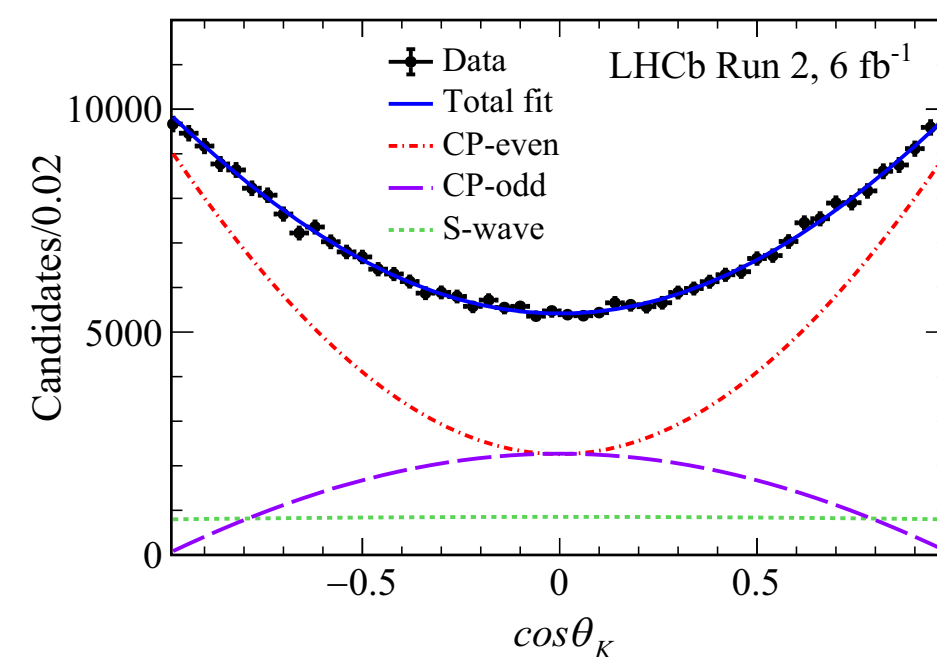
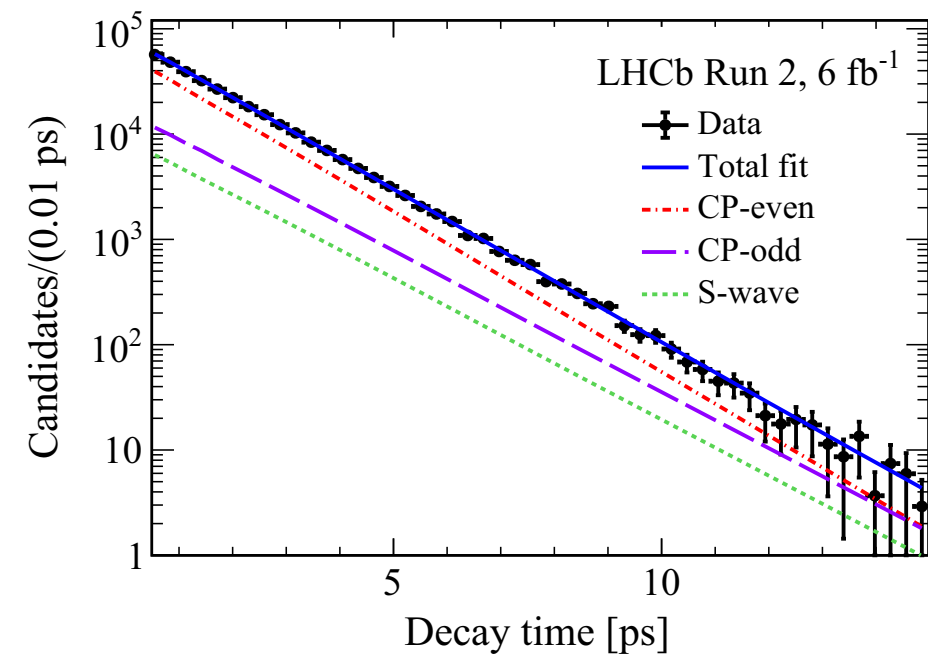
ϕ_s in $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ decays

- CP violation in the interference between decay and mixing
- Sensitive to physics beyond the Standard Model



Measurement relying on the full capabilities of the detector:

- decay time
- flavour tagging (identify the flavour of the produced B meson)
- angular analysis

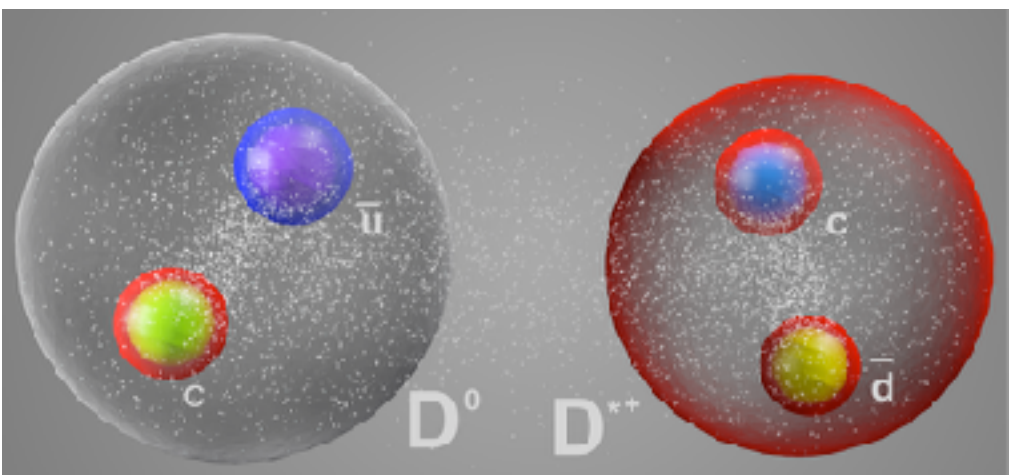


$$\phi_s = -0.044 \pm 0.020 \text{ rad}$$

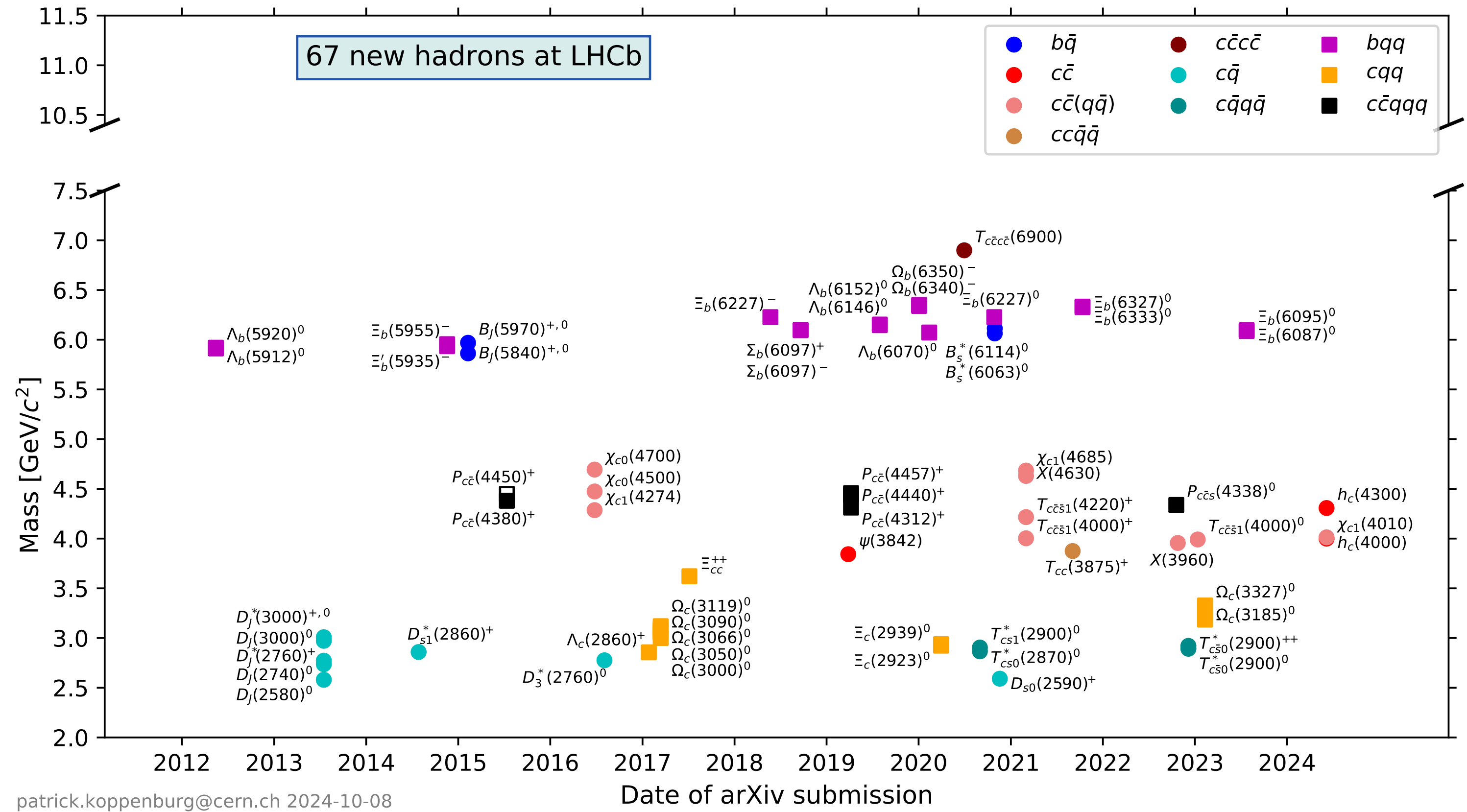
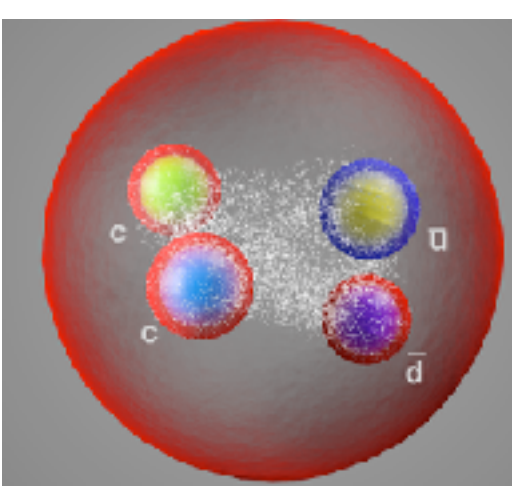
Discovery of new (exotic) hadrons

- Several new hadrons discovered at LHCb
- Study the nature of these hadrons
 - isospin structure
 - spin-parity
 - ...

• For example, are these loosely bound "molecular" states?



..or tightly bound states?



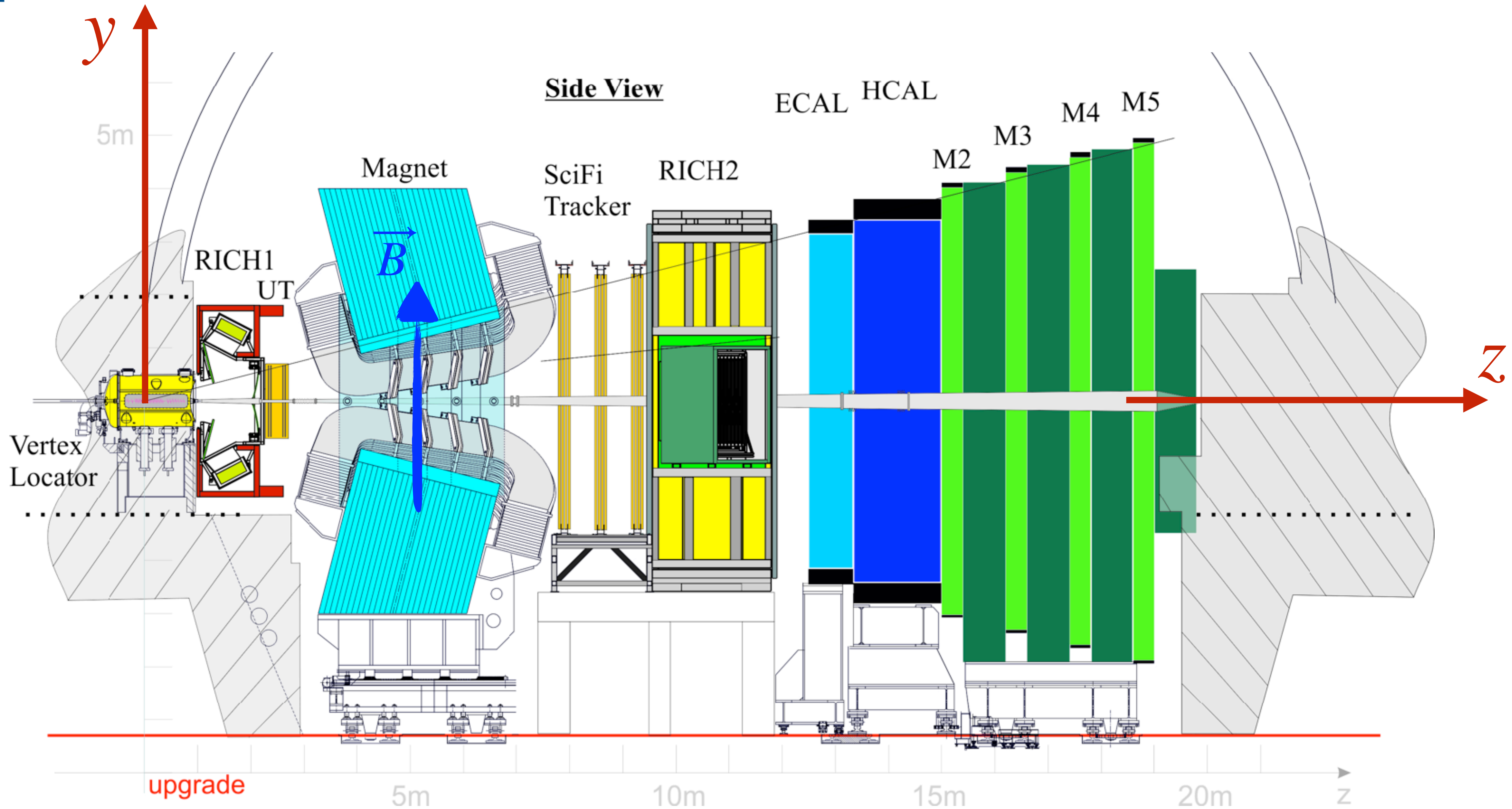
credit: Patrick Koppenburg

You and your analysis (or any other work!)

- All analyses have a great value!
 - some get more visibility, but this is be no means a judgement of the value of any analysis
 - any contribution is important for the project you work on (LHCb in our case)
- What you will learn from performing an analysis → experience!
 - experience with tools: tools specific to LHCb; statistics; fitting techniques; etc...
 - experience with failures: failures are useful to understanding what works and what doesn't
 - experience with collaborative work and communication
 - present your work as frequently as possible at working group meetings
- Enjoy what you are doing
 - we are lucky to work with exceptional data collected with a very unique detector
 - the time of a PhD allows you to explore uncharted territory

Let's look into LHCb-specific aspects of your analysis:
→ **EVERYTHING STARTS WITH KNOWING YOUR DETECTOR**

Know your detector!



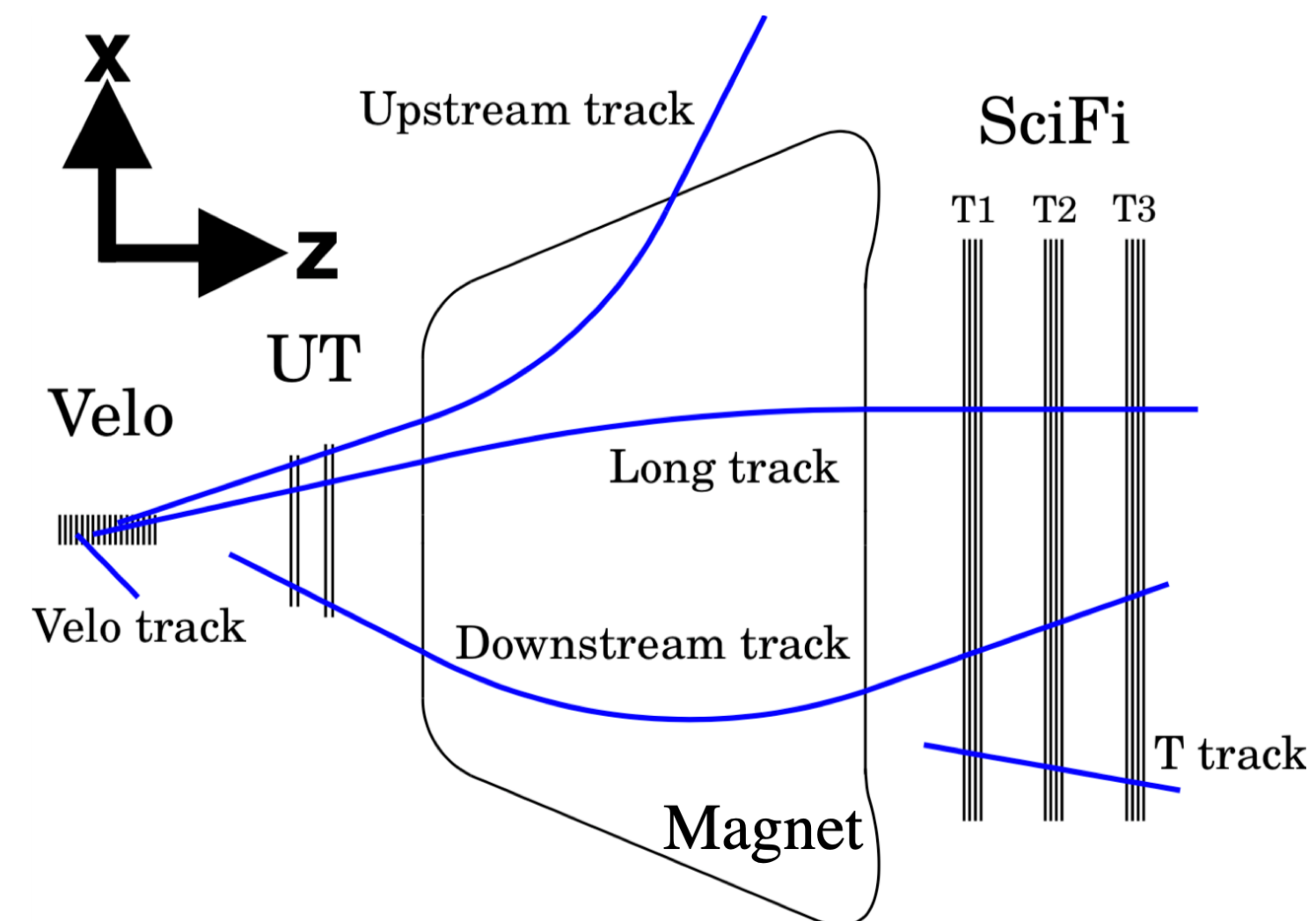
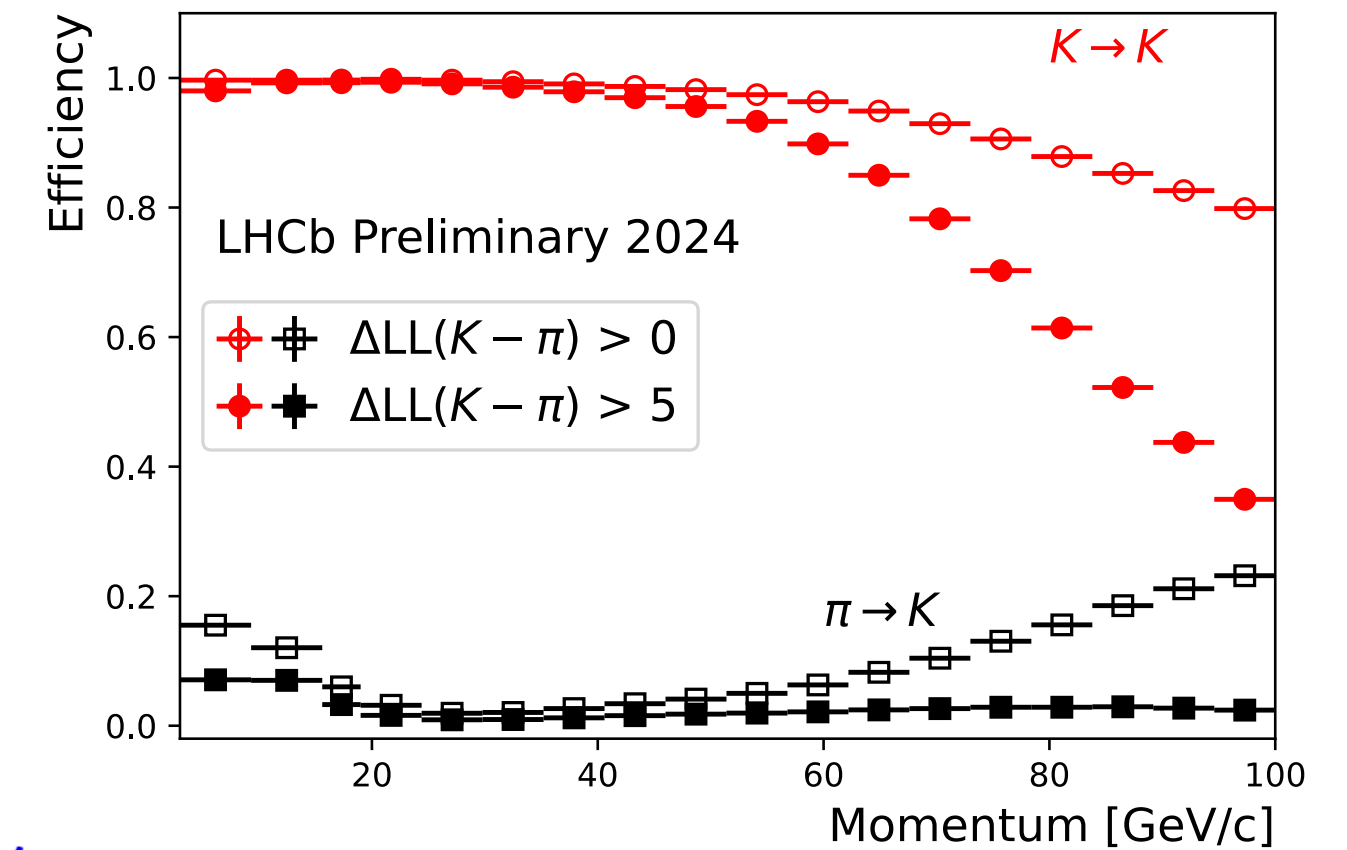
Detector performance and corrections

- Each analysis will ultimately be applied to the data
 - develop the analysis on real data (control channel, signal sidebands) and/or on simulation
 - corrections need to be applied to the simulation to match the data

- Types of corrections

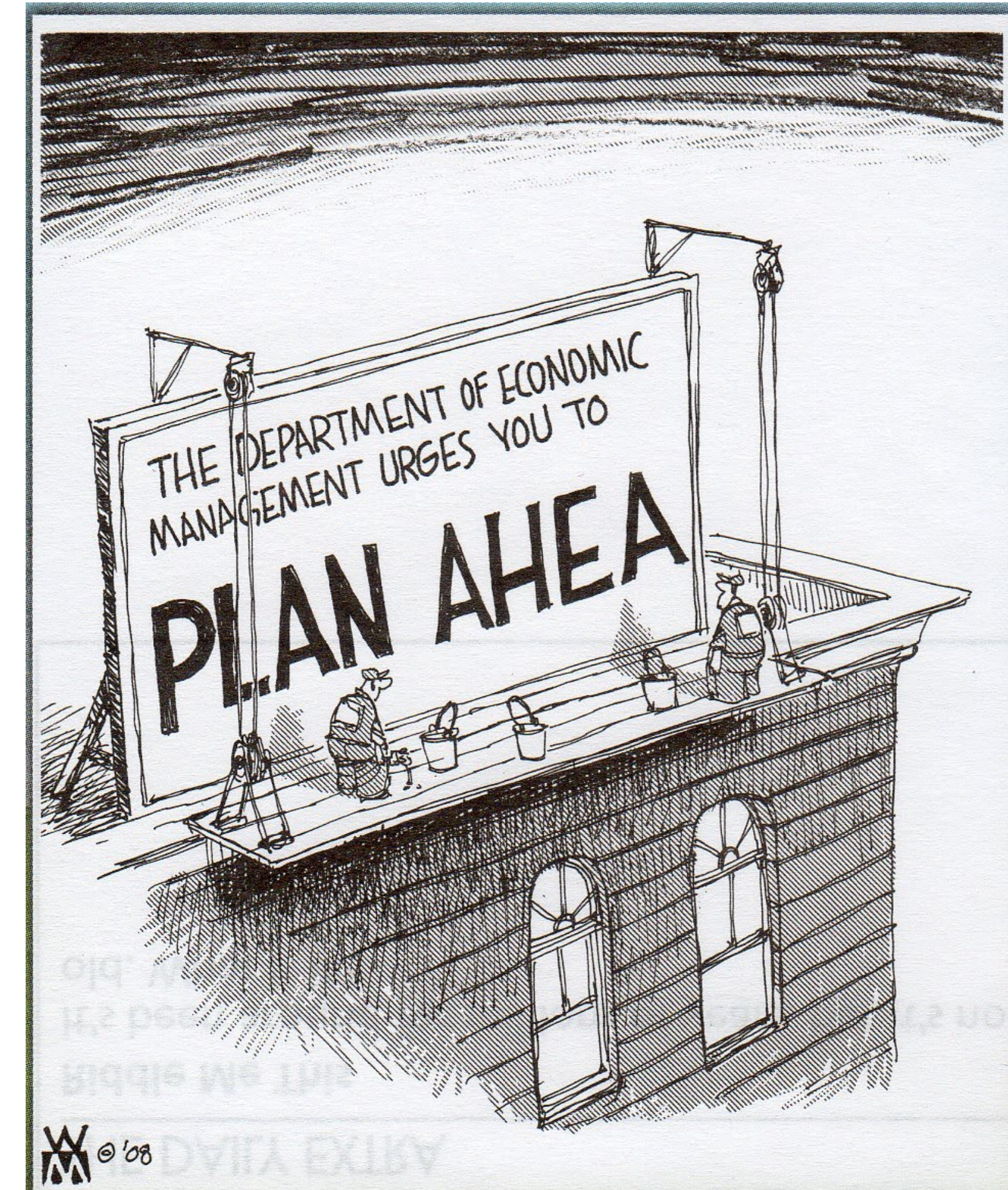
- PID response → applied to simulation
- Tracking efficiency corrections
- Trigger efficiency corrections (mostly Level-0 in Run1+2)

- Don't forget the systematic uncertainty associated with each correction



Analysis development and review process

- Develop your analysis within a **Working Group (WG)**
 - present regularly at WG meetings \Rightarrow receive comments and suggestions
- Once the analysis is ready, it is reviewed within the WG
 - \rightarrow **WG approval**
- **Review committee (RC)** stage:
 - two LHCb members are assigned to each analysis
 - RC checks and validates the scientific value of the analysis
- When RC has finalised its review:
 - \rightarrow **"Approval to go to paper"**, organised by PC
 - obtain approval to publish your results
 - first paper draft is available for "circulation" within 2 weeks
- First and second **collaboration wide circulations (CWR)**
 - under the responsibility of the Editorial Board (EB)
- Submit your paper! (LHCb-PAPER-20YY-NNN)
- The whole review process takes time...



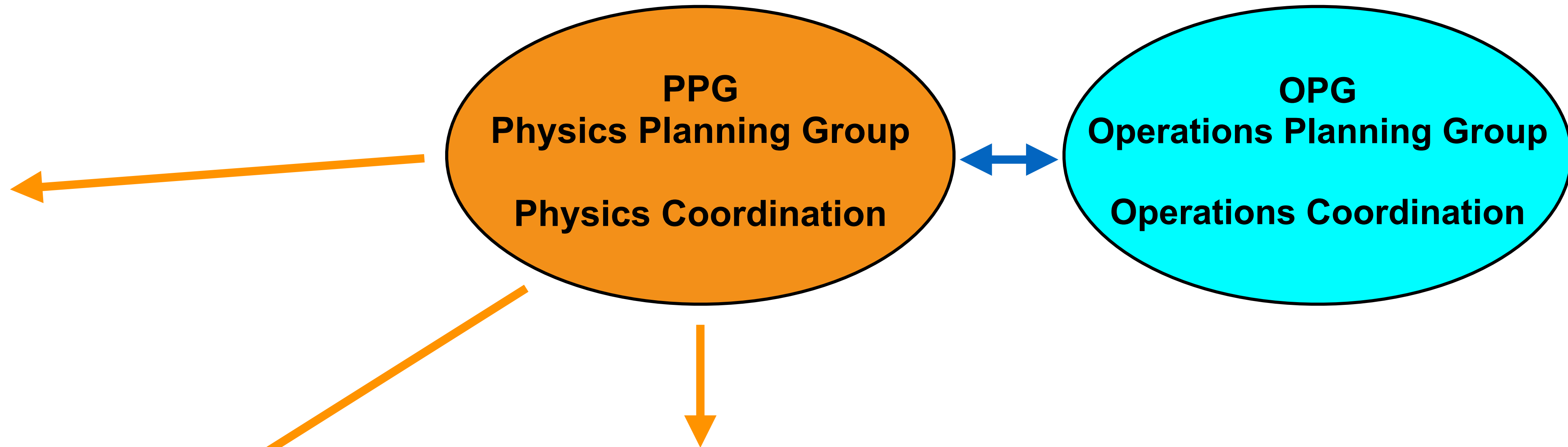
Organisation of physics at LHCb

- Physics Analysis Working Groups (PAWG):

- BandQ
- B2CC/BnoC
- B2OC
- Charm
- IFT
- QEE
- RD
- SL

- Projects:

- RTA
- DPA
- Simulation
- Computing



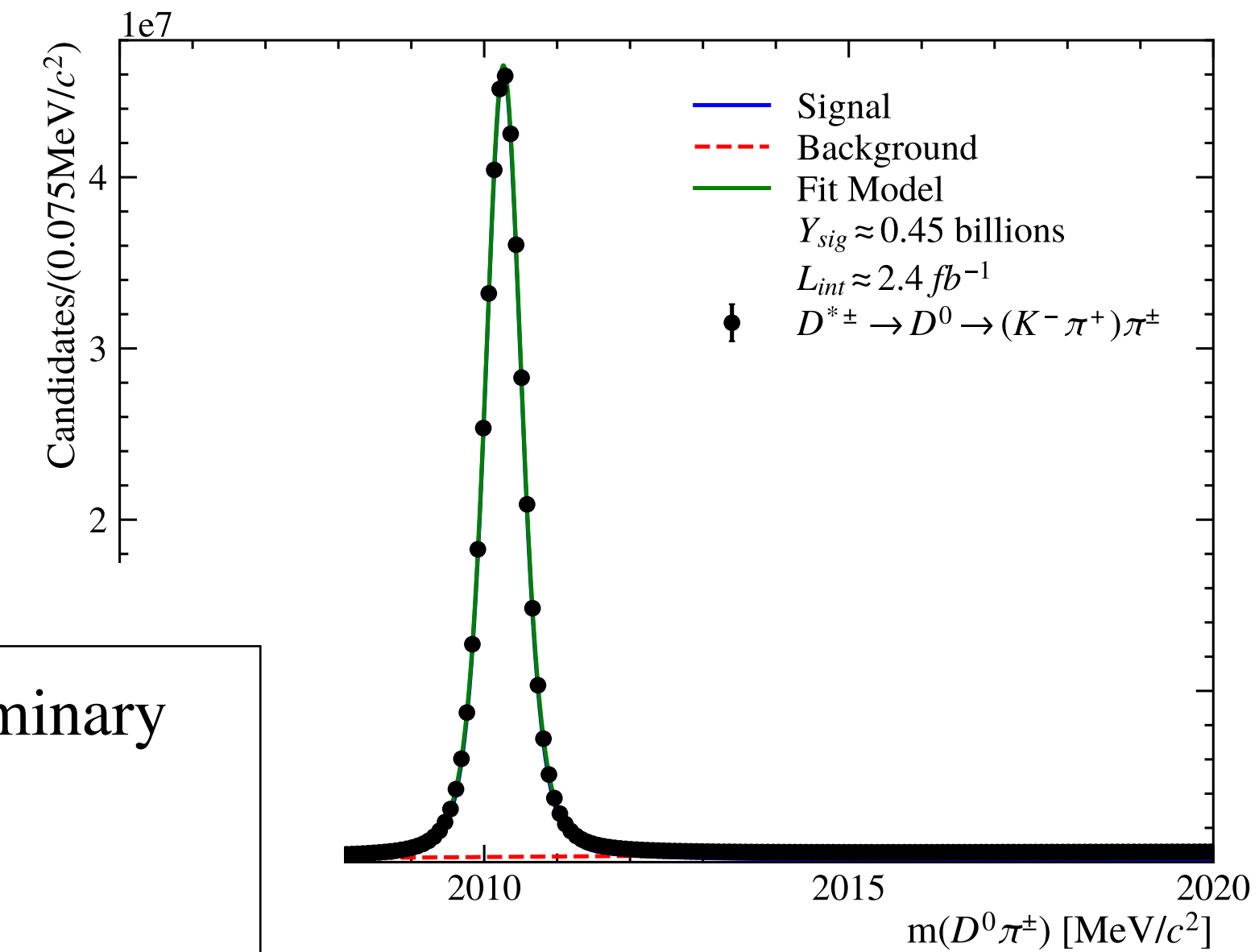
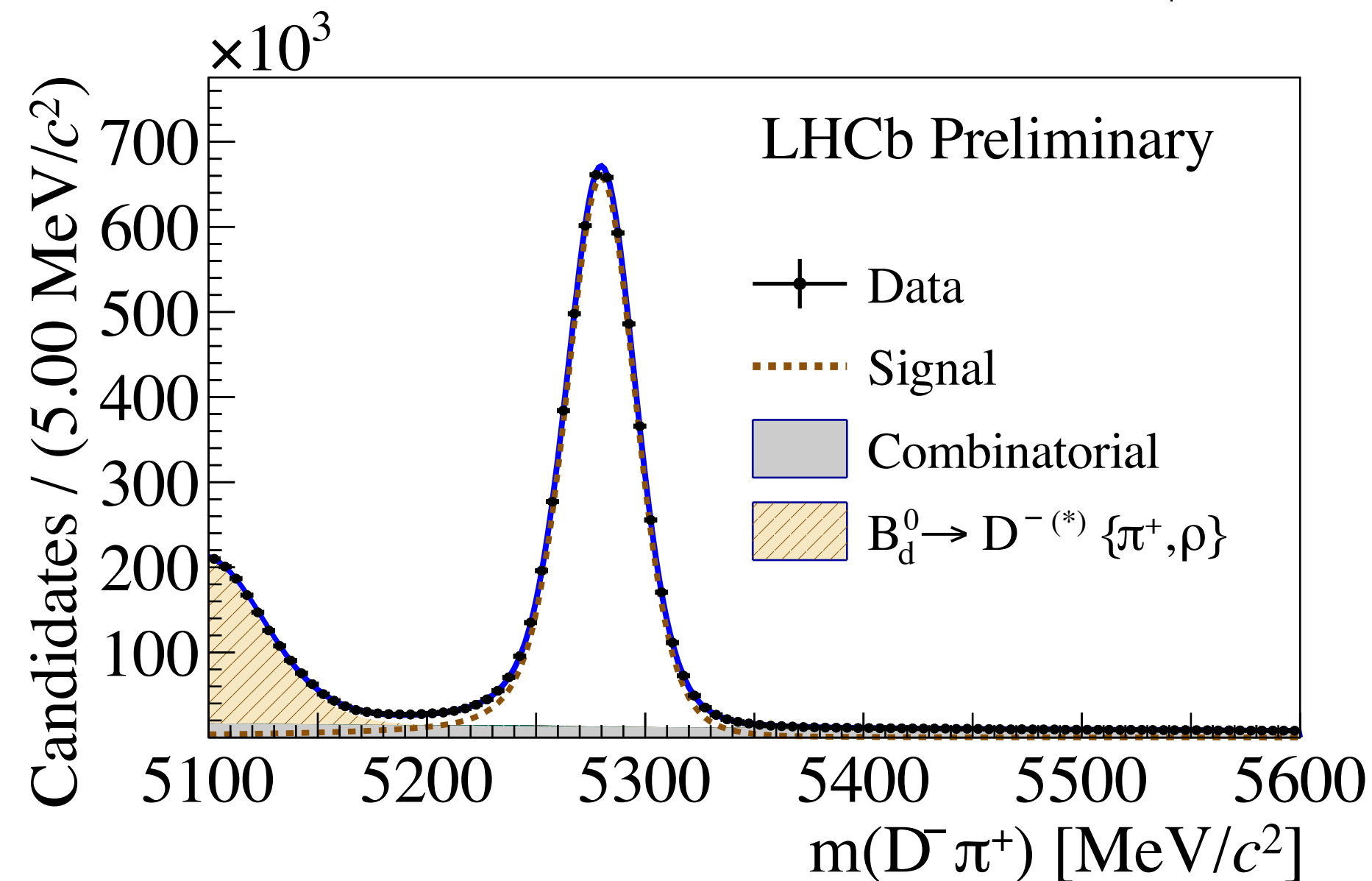
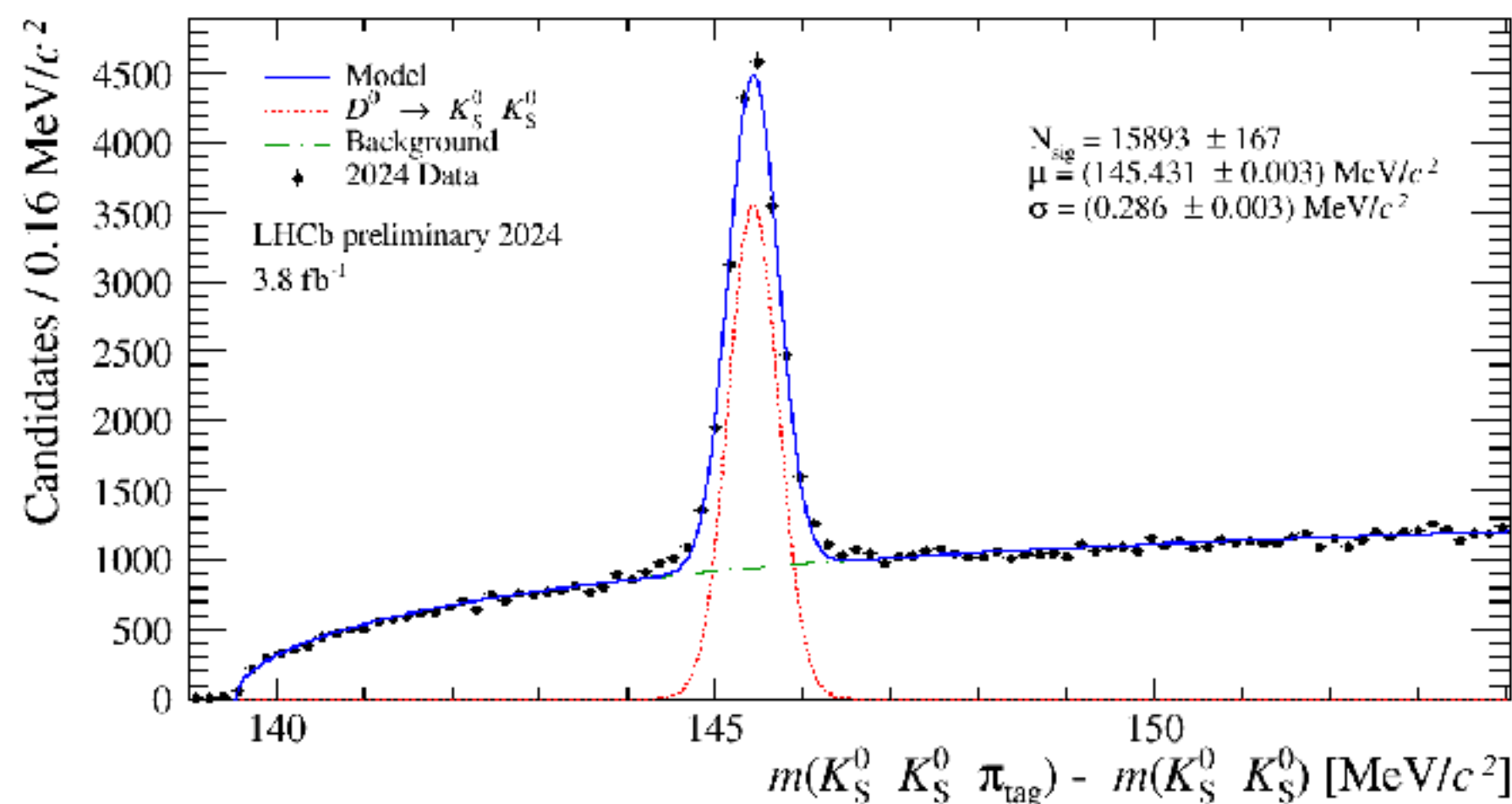
- Physics Performance Working Groups (PPWG) and Task forces:

- ML & Statistics (MLStat)
- Amplitude Analysis (AmAn)
- Flavour Tagging (FT)
- Luminosity

Final words

- It is now your turn to produce (physics) results!
- I wish you to enjoy this opportunity
- A PhD is not always easy, but never ever doubt about your ability to succeed!
- Seek help and advice when you need it
- This Starterkit is a fantastic tool, which will be a precious source of information

⇒ Thank you to the organisers!



Some Run 3 preliminary results!