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# cLFV @ LHCb



## Status & Prospects

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# Outline

Intro

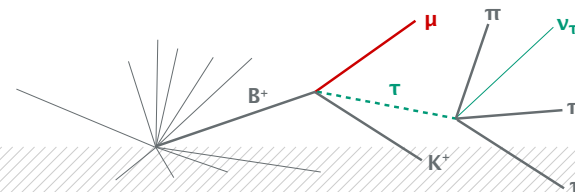
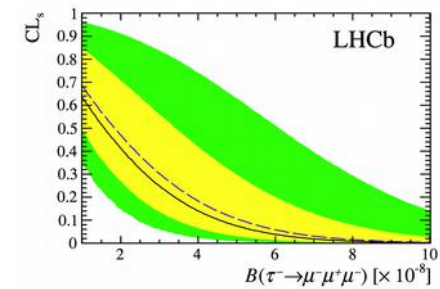
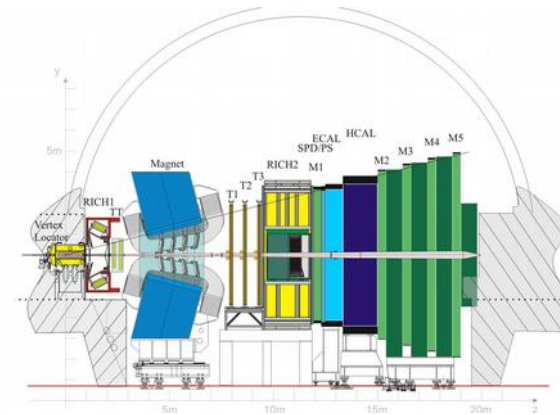
LHCb Experiment

LFV with muons :  $\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$

LFV with electrons :  $D^0 \rightarrow e\mu$

LFV with taus?

Conclusion





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# Intro



# Standard Model

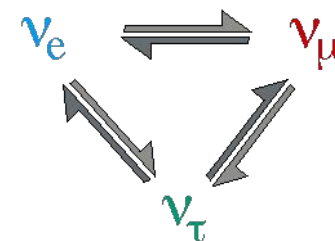
Remarkably successful,  
*yet with many unexplained features*

$u$	$c$	$t$	$g$
$d$	$s$	$b$	$\gamma$
$\nu_e$	$\nu_\mu$	$\nu_\tau$	$W$
$e$	$\mu$	$\tau$	$Z$

Many puzzles, *e.g.* 3 generations quarks & leptons

Rich symmetry-driven phenomenology

Study all generations for full insight



**LHCb: can study all three generations**



# Tensions in Lepton Sector

$B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \bar{\nu}_\tau / l \bar{\nu}_l$       $3.9\sigma$  : LHCb + BaBar + Belle

$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu\mu / ee$       $2.6\sigma$  : LHCb

Anomalies  $b \rightarrow sll$  , esp.  $P'_5$  in  $B \rightarrow K^* \mu\mu$  @ LHCb

$h^0 \rightarrow \mu\tau$       $2.4\sigma$  : CMS

$a_\mu$       $2.7\sigma$  : E821

**Global fit favors large cLFV**

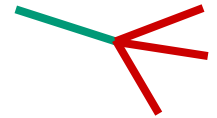




# Towards studying (c)LFV

Decay

$$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma, \mu \rightarrow eee, \tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu, \tau \rightarrow \mu hh, \dots$$

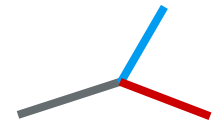


Conversion

$$\mu A \rightarrow eA$$

Production

$$B_s \rightarrow e\mu, B \rightarrow Ke\mu, h^0 \rightarrow \mu\tau, \dots$$



Oscillation

$$\nu_e \leftrightarrow \nu_\mu \leftrightarrow \nu_\tau, M(\mu^+e^-) \leftrightarrow \bar{M}(\mu^-e^+)$$



Number violation




$$0\nu 2\beta, B^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-, \dots$$

Non-Universality

$$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \tau^- \bar{\nu}_\tau \text{ vs } \bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu, \dots$$



## Recent LHCb results

$D^0 \rightarrow e\mu$	PLB 754 (2016) 167	LFV 
$\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \tau \bar{\nu}_\tau / \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu$	PRL 115, 111803 (2015)	LNU
$\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$	JHEP 02 (2015) 121	LFV 
$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu\mu / ee$	PRL 113, 151601 (2014)	LNU
$B^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-$	PRL 112, 131802 (2014)	LNV
$D_{(s)}^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \mu^+ \mu^+$	PLB 724 (2013) 203-212	LNV
$B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow e\mu$	PRL 111 (2013) 141801	LFV 



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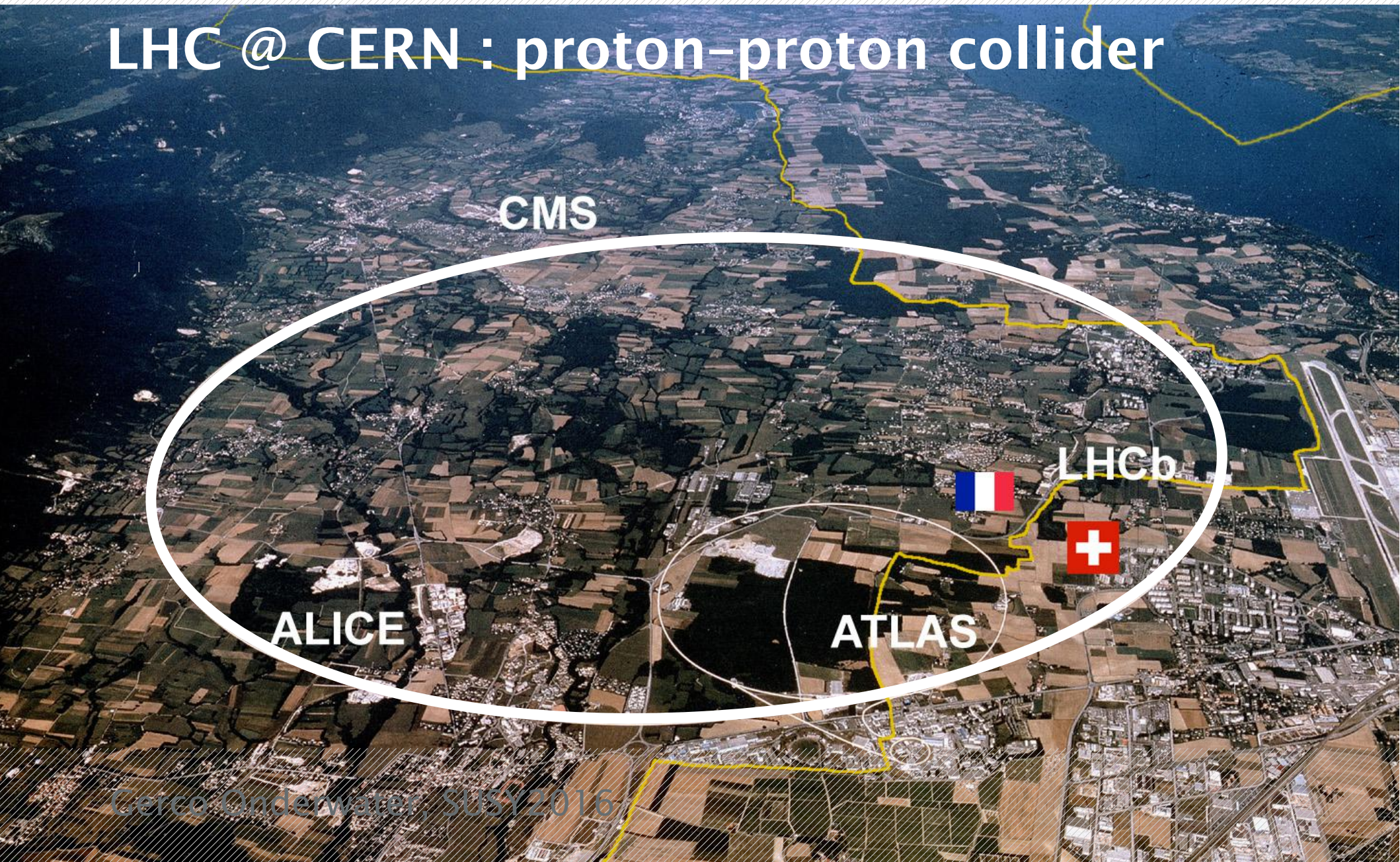
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# LHCb

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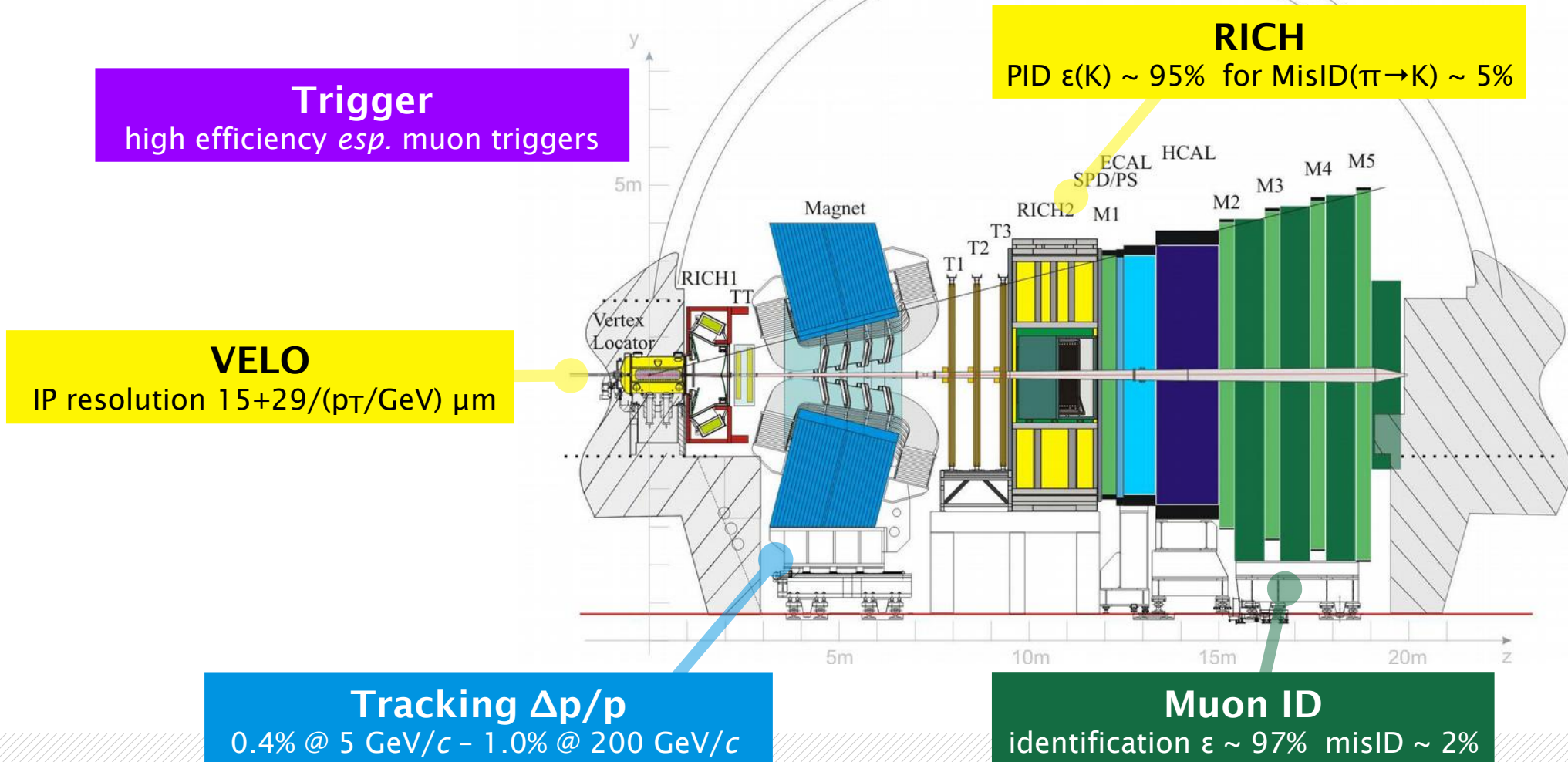


# LHC @ CERN : proton-proton collider





# LHCb : precision measurement





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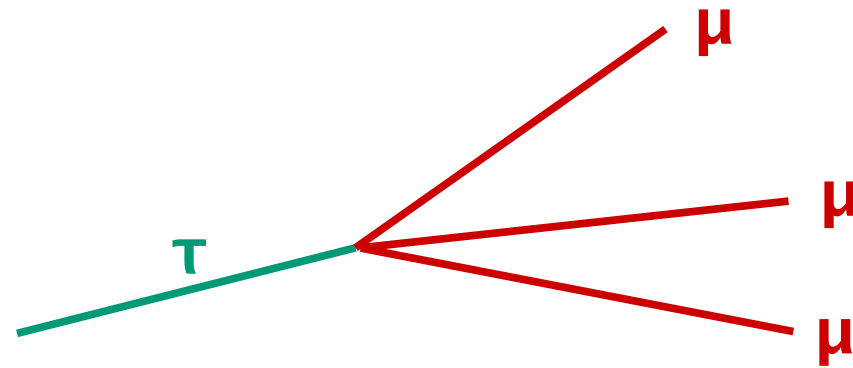
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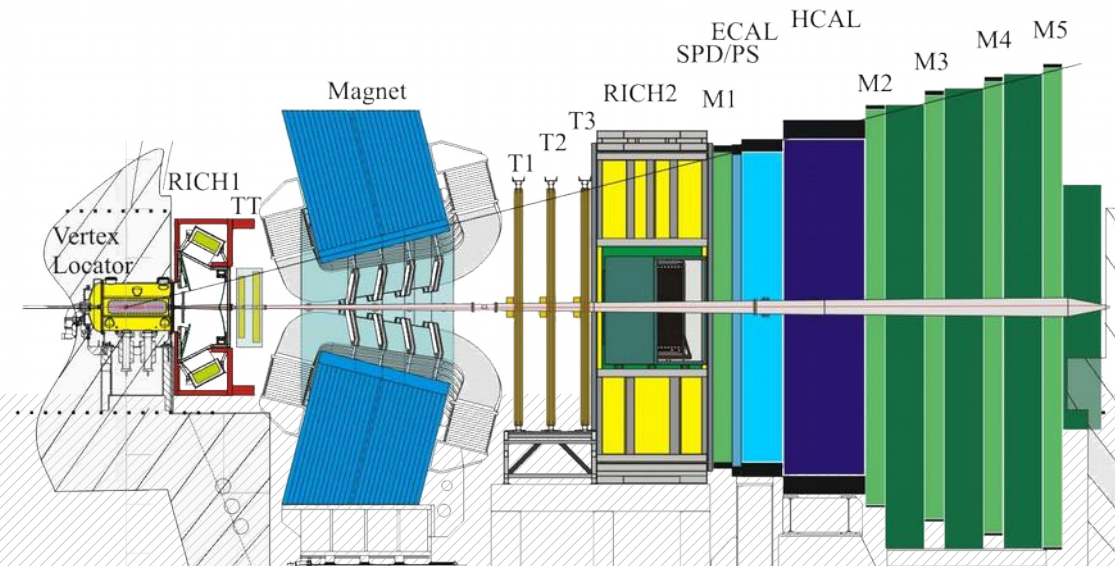
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# Results

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# $\mu$ detection





# Challenge : $\tau$ decays at hadron collider

## B factory

- ✗ Babar & Belle  $\sim 3 \times 10^9$   $\tau$ -pairs
- ✓  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$  extremely clean
- ✓ tag with opposite  $\tau$  possible

## LHC

- ✓ LHCb  $\sim 3.5 \times 10^{11}$   $\tau$ 's in detector acceptance in 2011 & 2012
- ✗  $pp \rightarrow \tau + O(100)$  particles
- ✗ No “production traces” in  $D_s \rightarrow \tau \nu_\tau$
- ✗ Charm decay with missing particles similar to  $\tau$  signature

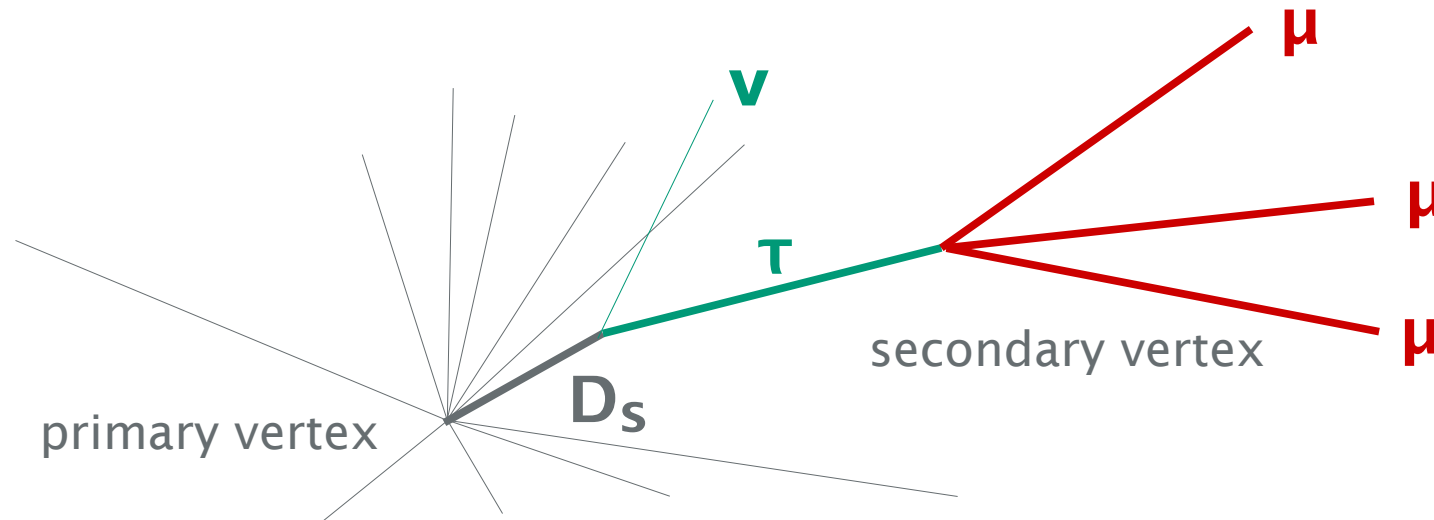


# $\tau \rightarrow 3\mu$ search

## Approach:

- Use run-I data
- trigger on *muon* and *secondary vertex*
- *multivariate analysis* to discriminate signal and background
- *control sample* for normalization and calibration

main tau  
 production via  
 decay of  $D_s$



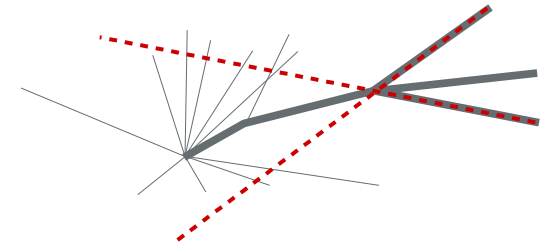
# Signal candidate selection

## Trigger

- muons not “in beampipe” ( $p_T > 1.48 \text{ GeV}/c$ )
- two-, three- or four-track secondary vertex
- at least one particle does not point to collision point

## Analysis

- no tracks may point to collision point
- good 3-track vertex
- decay-time compatible with  $\tau$  decay ( $ct > 100 \mu\text{m}$ )
- $\tau$  momentum must point back to PV



## Background elimination

- $|M(\mu^+\mu^-) - M(\Phi)| > 20 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
- $M(\mu^+\mu^-) > 450 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
- $M(\mu^-\mu^-) > 250 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

$D_s^- \rightarrow \Phi(\mu^+\mu^-)\pi^-$  **misID**  
 $D_s^- \rightarrow \eta(\mu^+\mu^-\gamma)\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu$  **missing**  
reconstructed from same particle **mis-reconstructed**



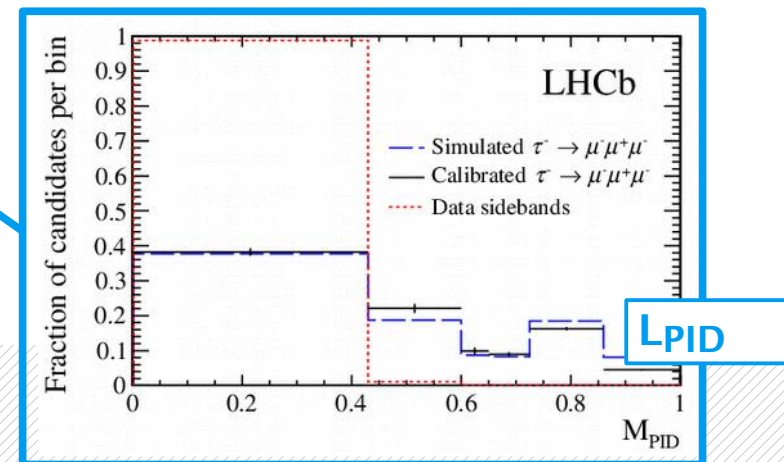
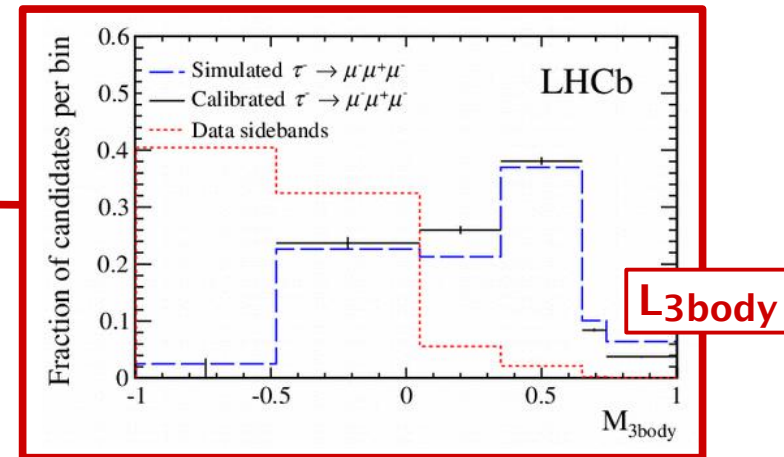
# Signal & background discrimination

Three likelihoods to distinguish signal from background

I. **L<sub>3body</sub>** : decay topology

II. **L<sub>PID</sub>** :  $\mu$  identification

III. **L<sub>3 $\mu$</sub>**  : tau selection

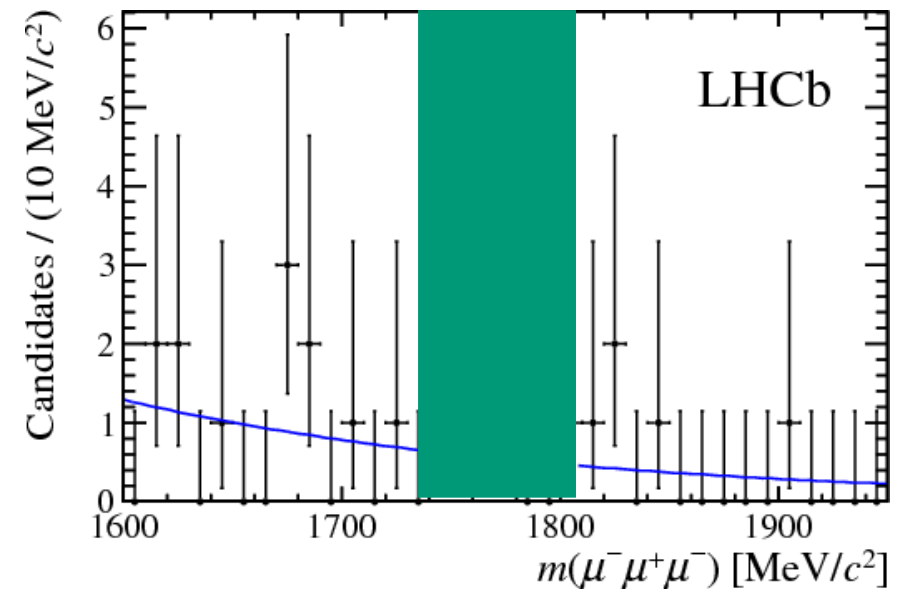
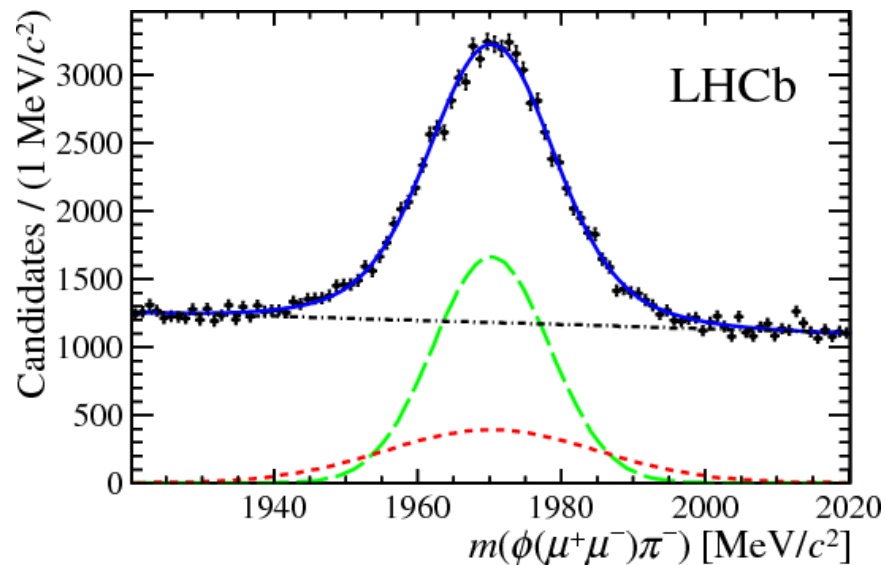




# M<sub>3μ</sub> distribution

- Shape determined using  $D_s^- \rightarrow \Phi(\mu^+\mu^-)\pi^-$
- Analyze 5x5 best bins in **L<sub>PID</sub>** and **L<sub>3body</sub>**

## Blind analysis

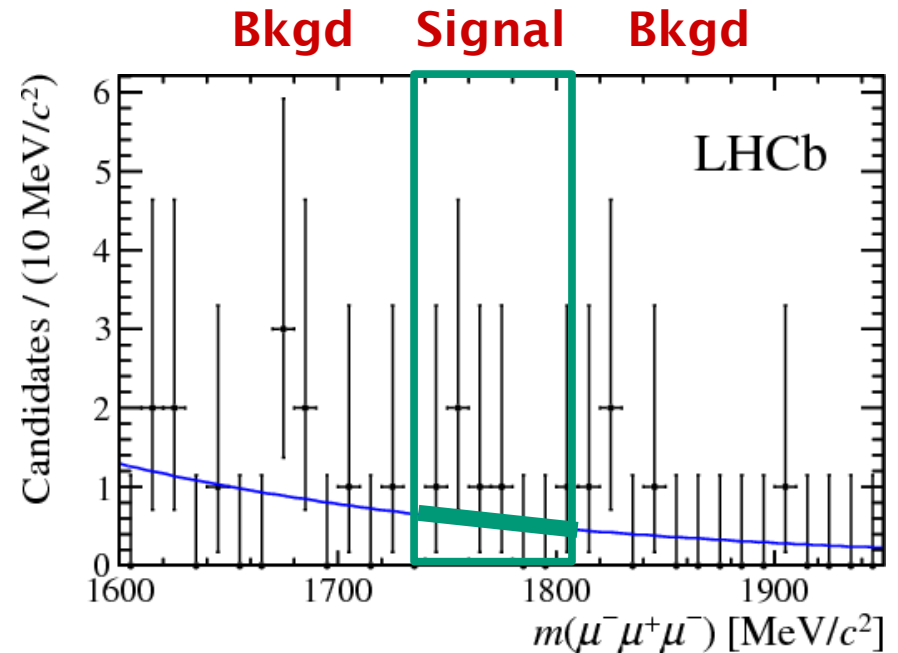
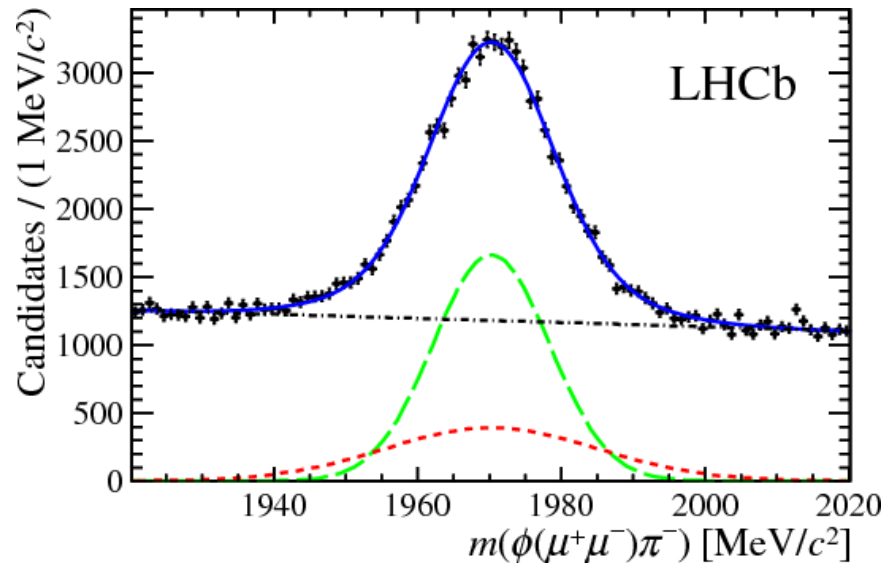


L<sub>PID</sub> : [0.65, 1.0]  
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# Result

- Robust analysis method
- Statistics limited
- No significant evidence for excess of events

$$\frac{\mathbb{P}(\theta_{up}(X) < \theta | \theta)}{\mathbb{P}(\theta_{up}(X) < \theta | 0)} \leq \alpha' \text{ for all } \theta.$$

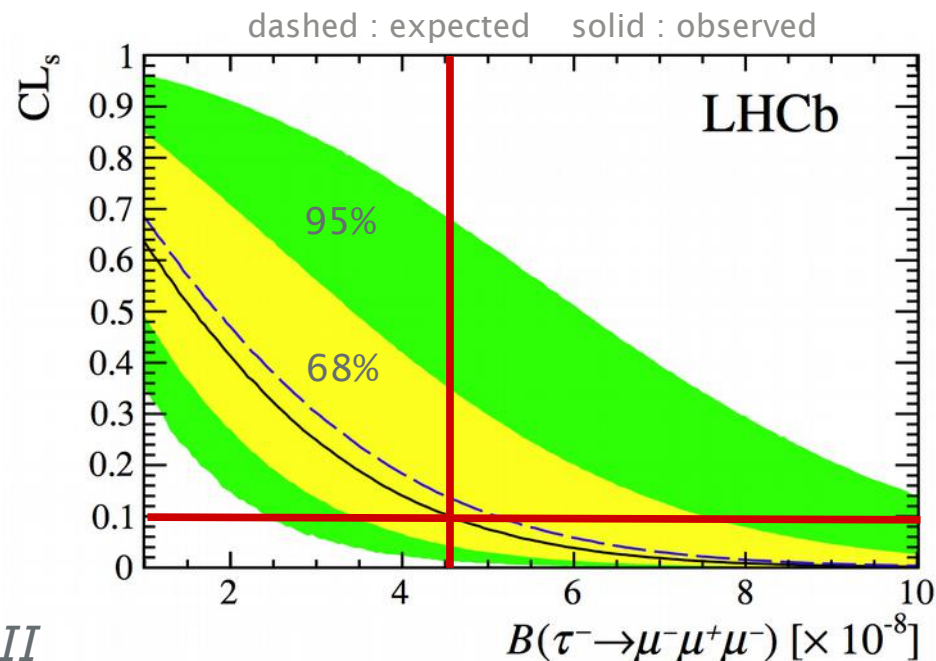
**$B(\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-) < 4.6 \times 10^{-8}$**

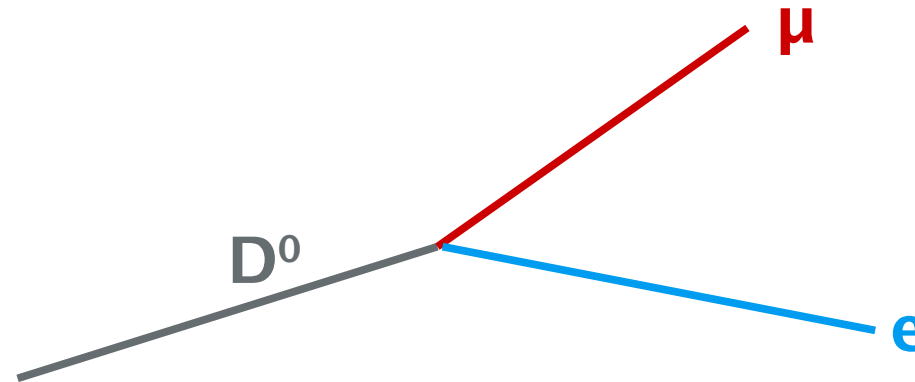
@ 90% C.L.

**Belle**  $2.1 \times 10^{-8}$  @ 90% C.L.

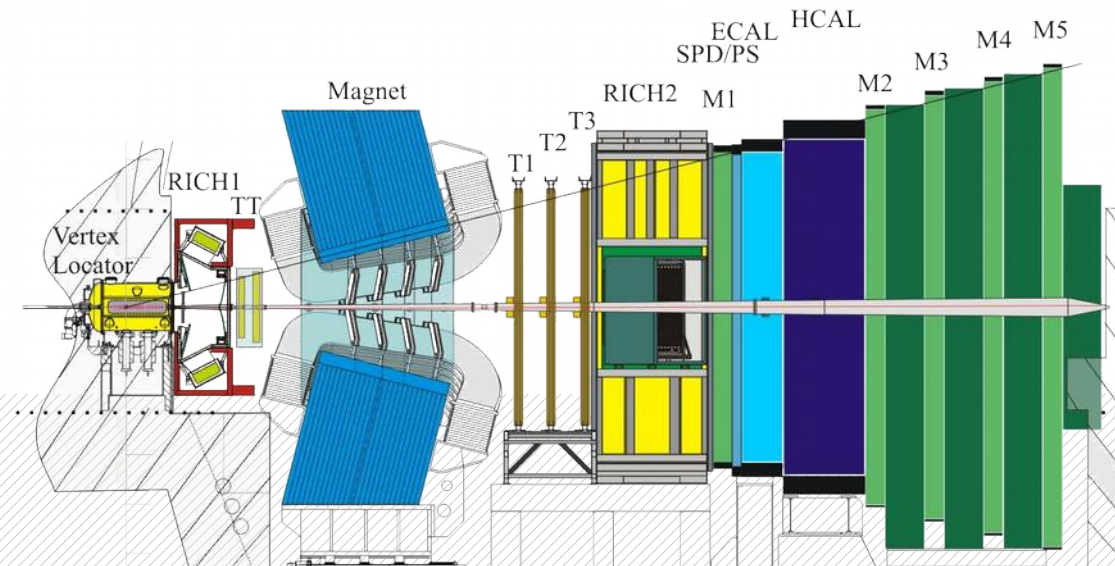
**BaBar**  $3.3 \times 10^{-8}$  @ 90% C.L.

@Run2: LHCb may overtake Belle  
*... which will then be overtaken by Belle-II*





# e detection





# $D^0 \rightarrow e\mu$

**Belle** :  $\text{Br}(D^0 \rightarrow e\mu) < 2.6 \times 10^{-7}$  (90% CL)

RPV SUSY :  $\sim 10^{-7}$

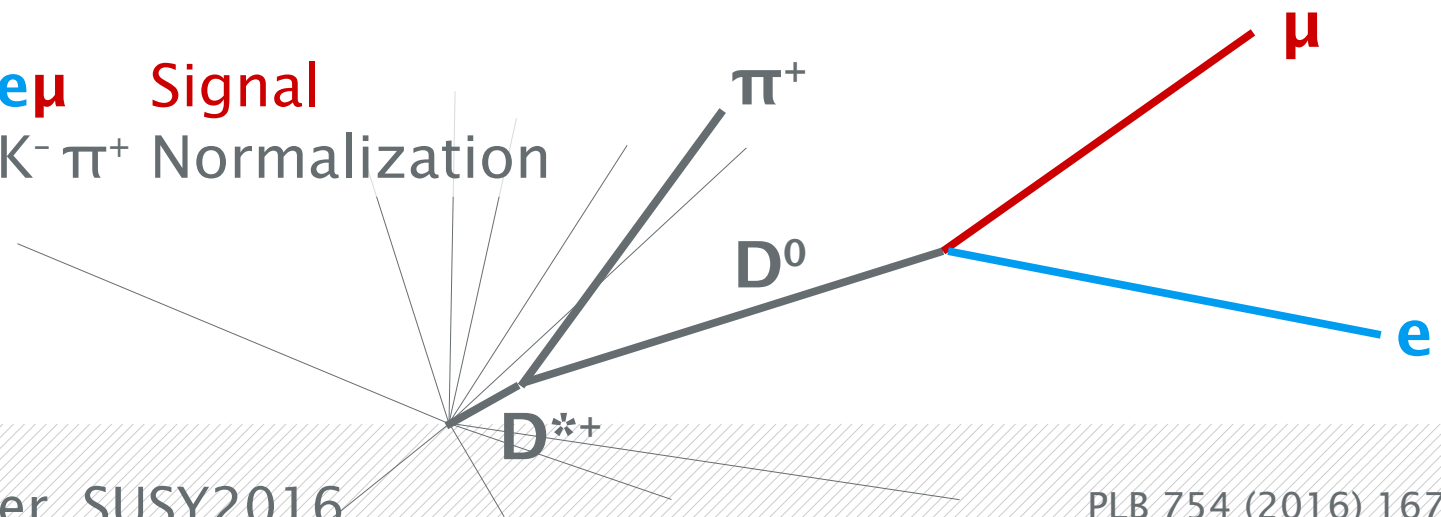
Leptoquarks :  $4 \times 10^{-8}$

**LHCb** analysis based on  $3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  collected @  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ \& } 8 \text{ TeV}$

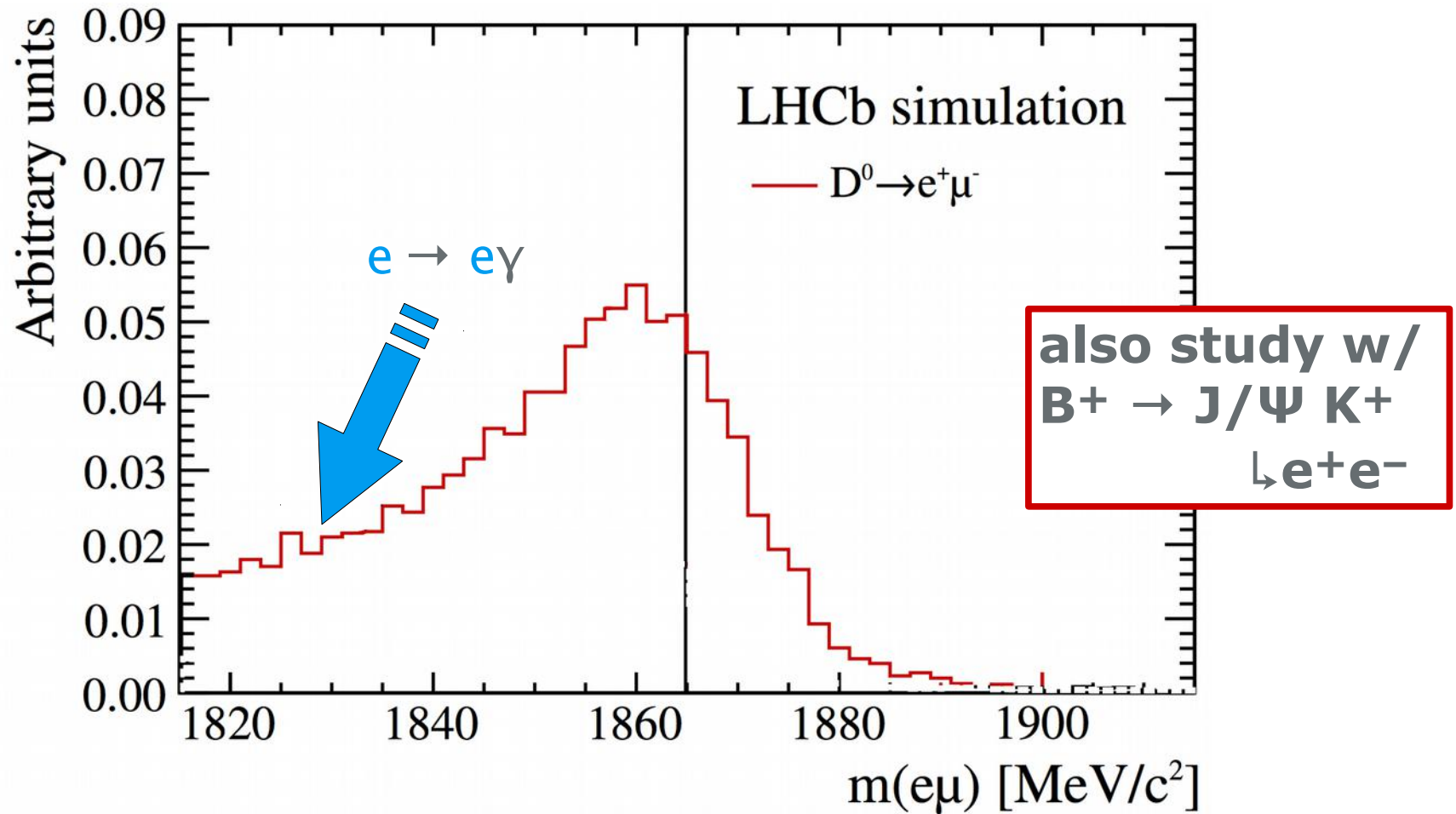
$D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+$

↳  $D^0 \rightarrow e\mu$  **Signal**

↳  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$  Normalization

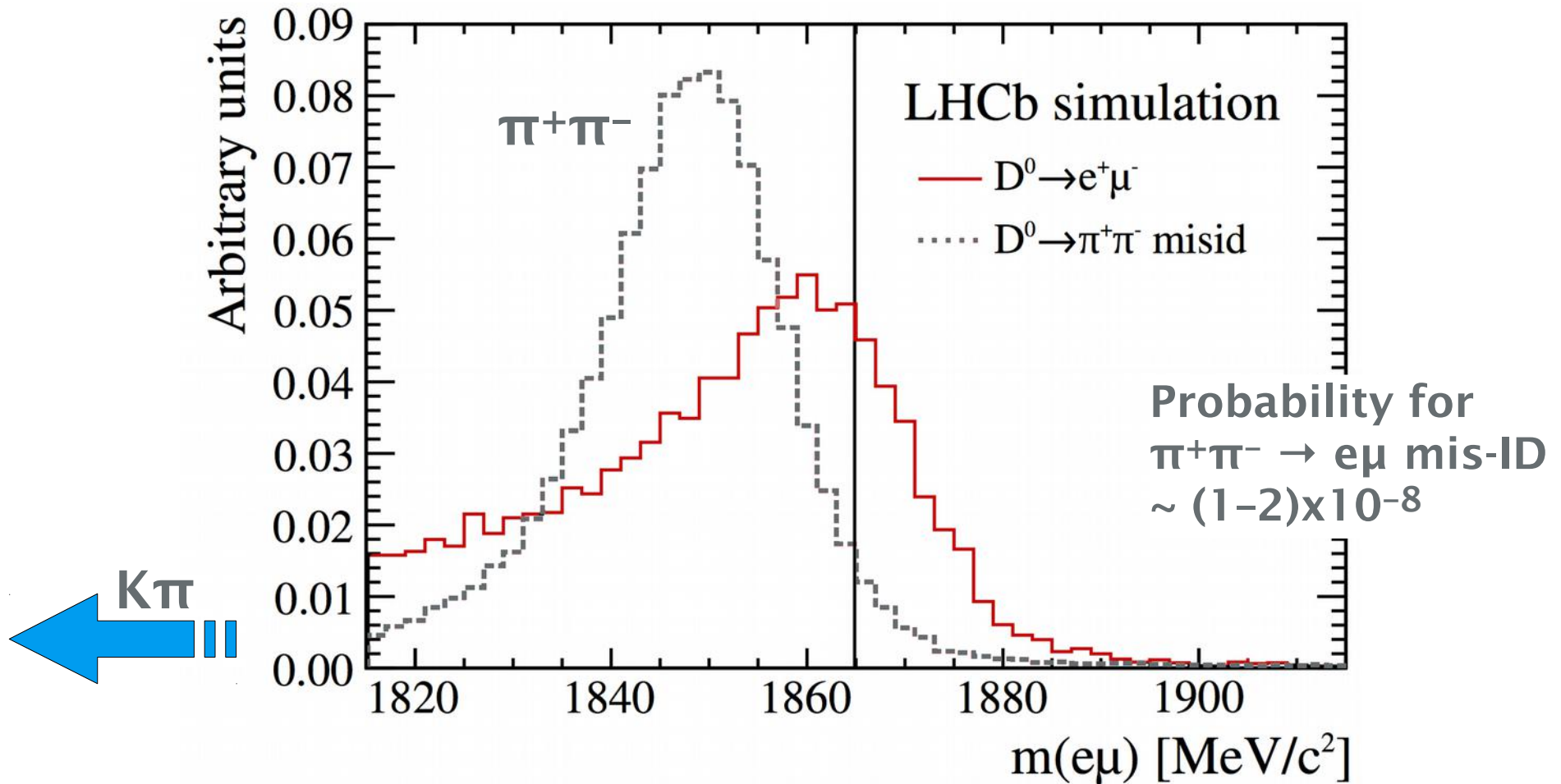


# Bremsstrahlung





# Mis-Identification





# Unbinned simultaneous fits

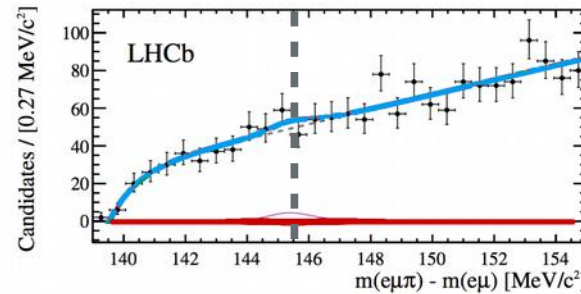
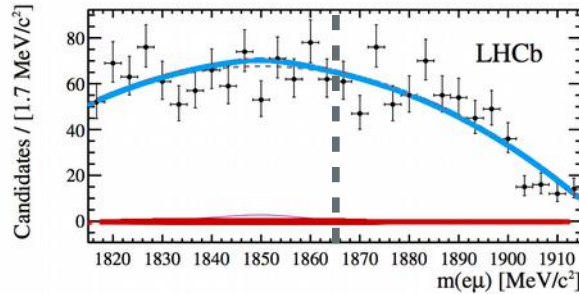
BKGD-like



intermediate

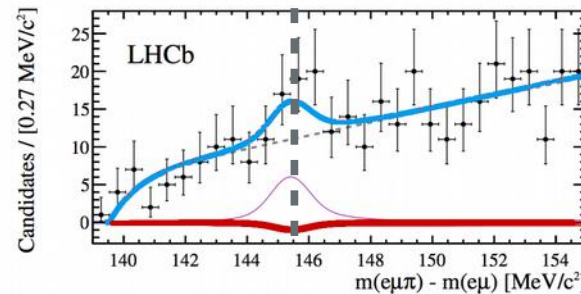
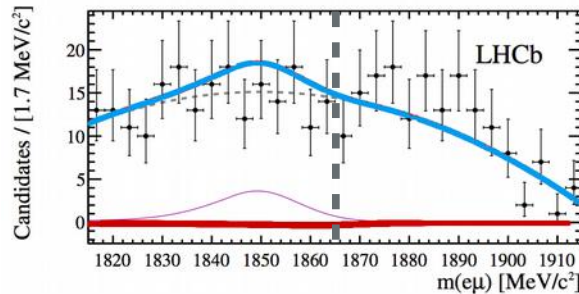


Signal-like

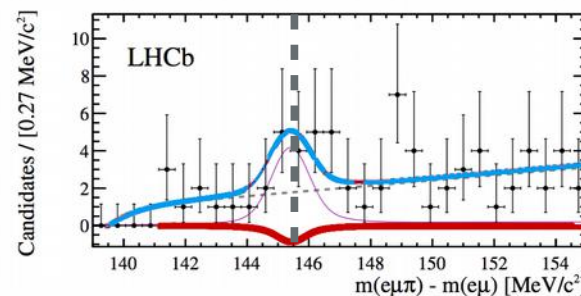
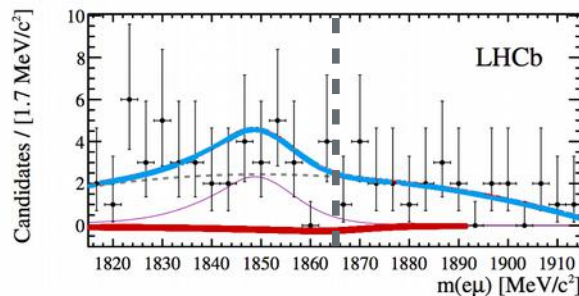


Signal + bkgd

$D^0 \rightarrow e\mu$  (signal)



$-7 \pm 15$  events



$$m(e\mu) \rightarrow M_D$$

$$m(e\mu\pi) - m(e\mu) \rightarrow M_{D^*} - M_D$$

# Result

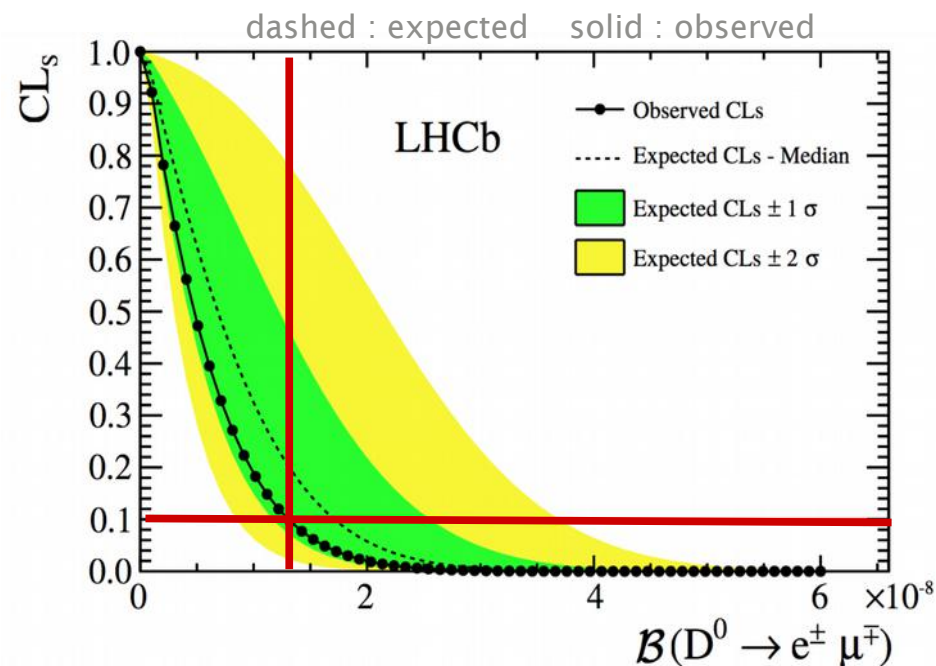
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$$\mathcal{B}(D^0 \rightarrow e\mu) < 1.3 \times 10^{-8}$$

@ 90% C.L.

**20x improvement** over previous result  
Effectively deal with backgrounds  
Bremsstrahlung complicates analysis  
Difficult to do at  $e^+e^-$  colliders





## Other channels under investigation

$$B_{(s)} \rightarrow e\mu$$

$$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}e\mu$$

$$B_s \rightarrow \Phi e\mu$$

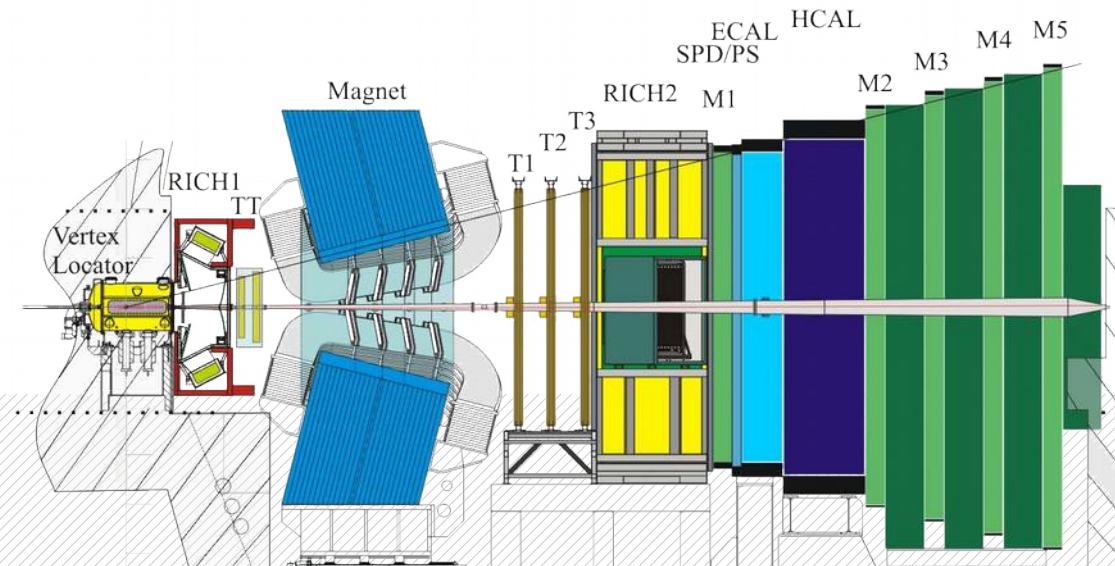
$$B_{(s)} \rightarrow J/\Psi(\rightarrow e\mu) X$$

$$B^+ \rightarrow K^+e\mu$$

Expect to improve  
 existing limits



# $\tau$ Opportunities for detection





## Some existing limits

$$J/\Psi(1S) \rightarrow \mu\tau < 2 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \mu\tau < 6 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\Upsilon(2S) \rightarrow \mu\tau < 3 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \mu\tau < 3 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$Z^0 \rightarrow \mu\tau < 1 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$h^0 \rightarrow \mu\tau < 1.5\%$$

$$J/\Psi(1S) \rightarrow e\tau < 9 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$Z^0 \rightarrow e\tau < 1 \times 10^{-6}$$

**$O(\text{few} \times 10^{-6})$**

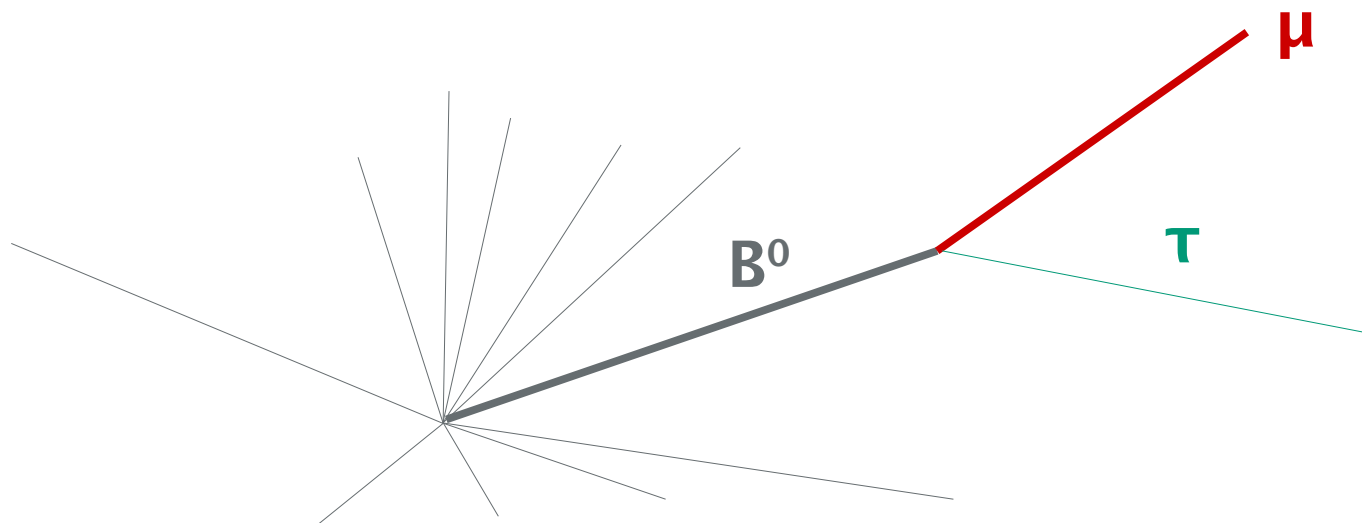
**@ 90-95% CL**



# Reconstruction - I

Interesting possibility

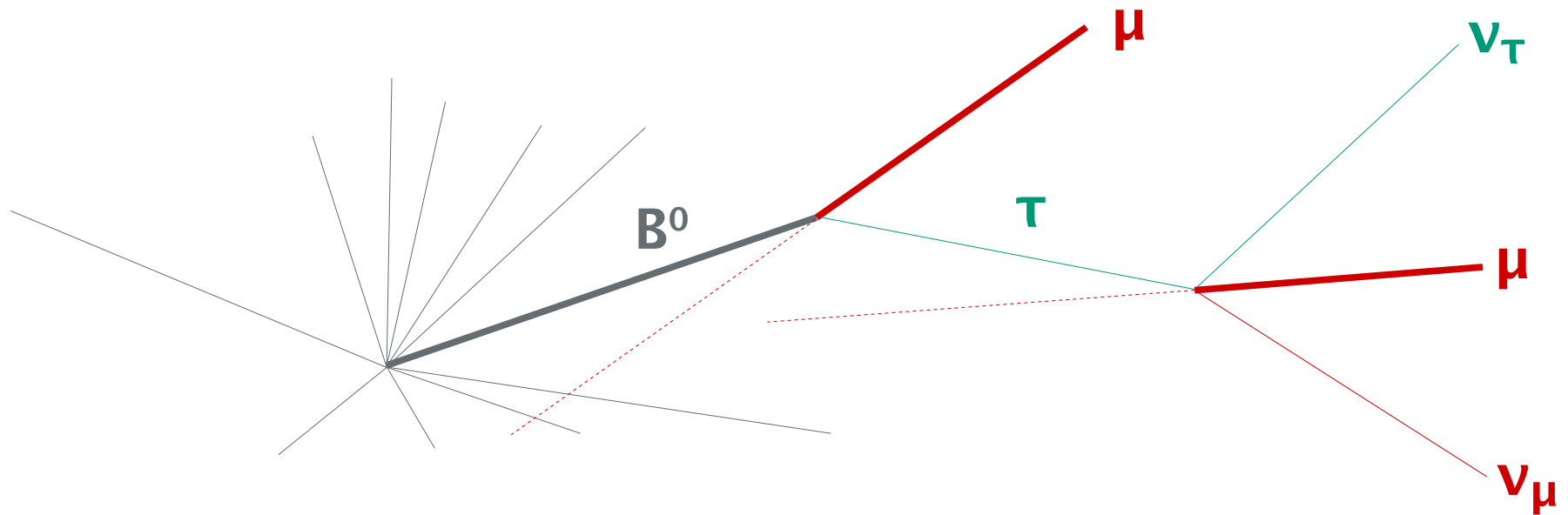
Short lifetime prohibits direct detection





## Reconstruction - II

Interesting possibility  
 Short lifetime prohibits direct detection  
 Neutrinos remain undetected

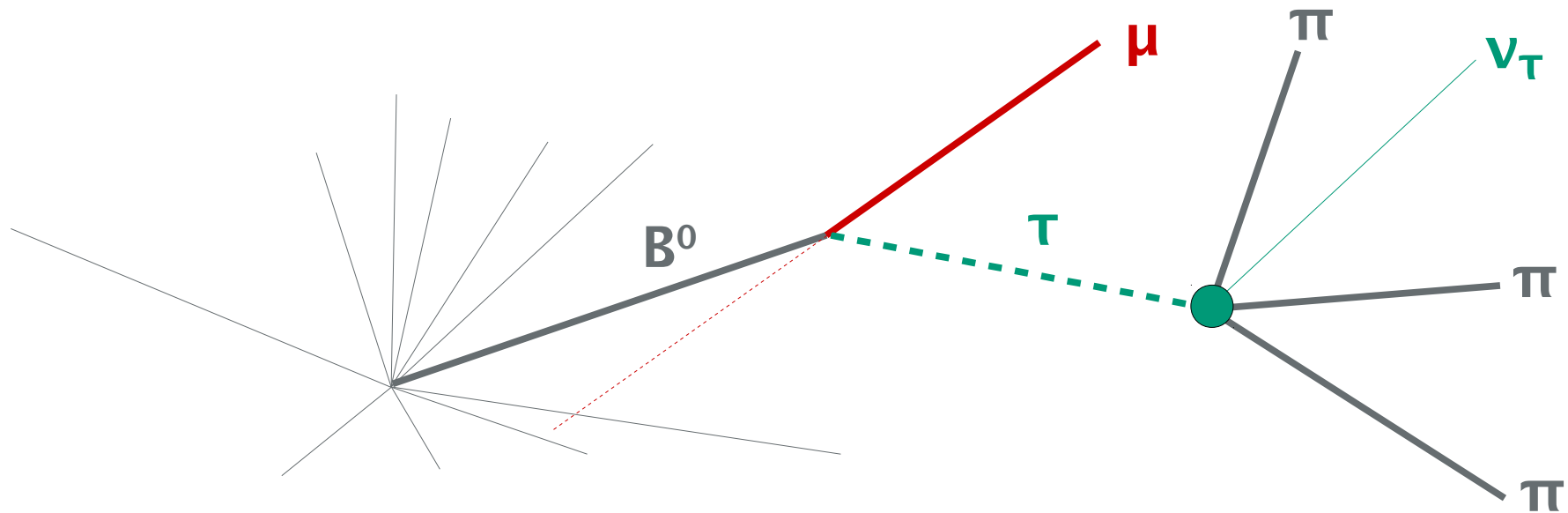




## Reconstruction - III

Interesting possibility  
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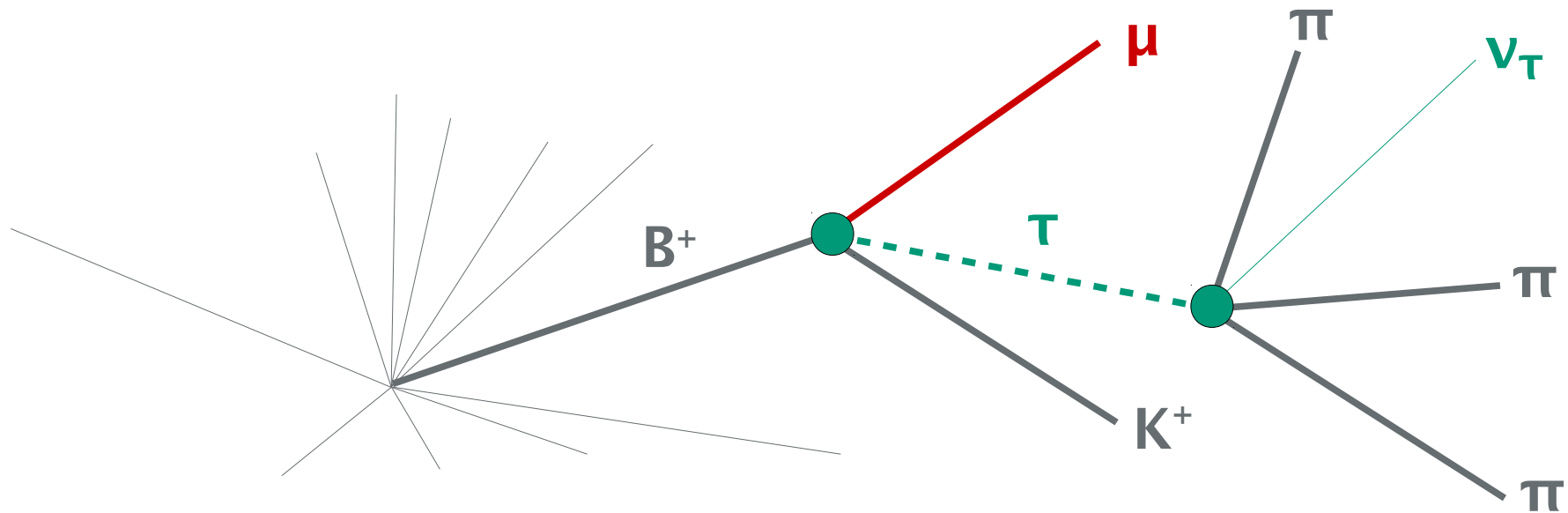
$Br \sim 9\%$





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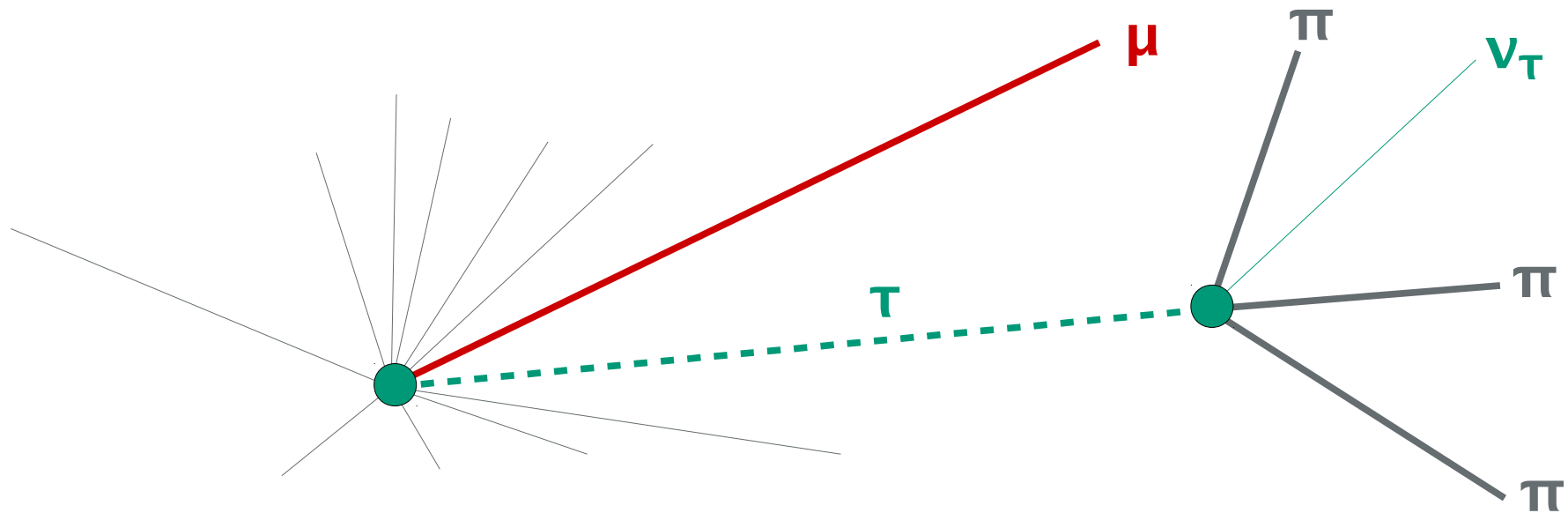
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## Reconstruction – V

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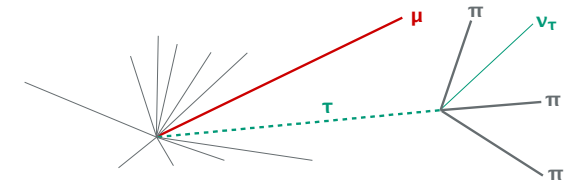
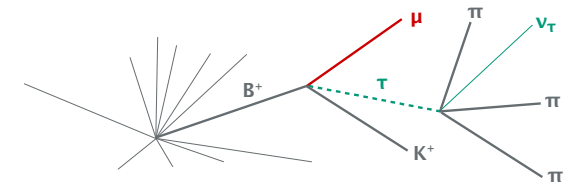
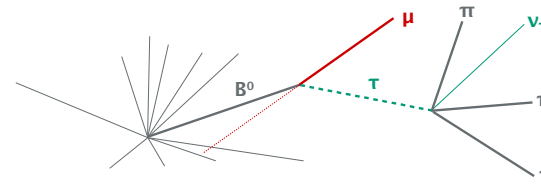


# Possibly interesting channels

$$B_{(s)} \rightarrow e/\mu\tau$$

$$B^+ \rightarrow K^+e/\mu\tau$$

$$\Upsilon(nS) \rightarrow e/\mu\tau$$



## Benefit from $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \tau \bar{\nu}_\tau$



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# Conclusion



## Take away message

**LHCb** : diverse program studying flavor physics with all three quark & lepton generations

With LHC **Run-I** data **LHCb** sharpened limits for many LFV, LNV, and BNV channels

No significant deviations from **SM** seen

Demonstrated sensitive **BSM** searches @ hadron collider

Many more options around, lots of additional data expected in **Run-II** (just restarted) & **Run-III**



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