



Test of lepton flavour universality at LHCb

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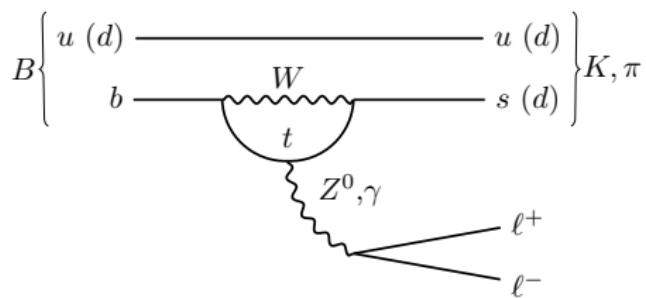
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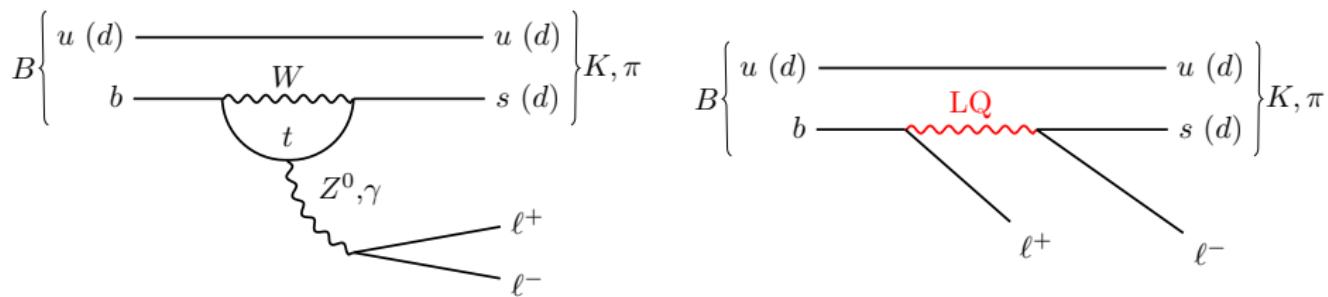
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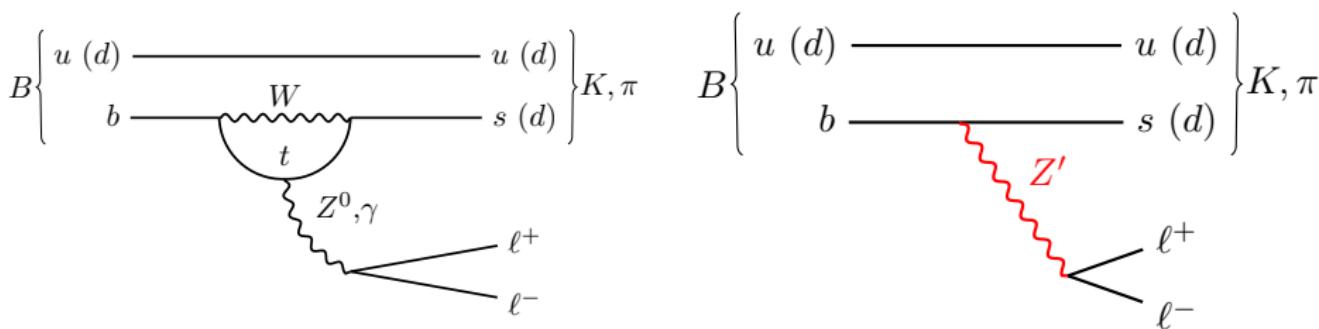
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- Model-independent description

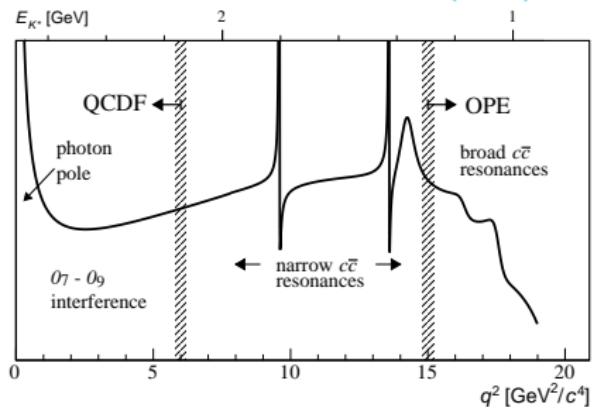
⇒ effective field theory

- Factorisation between

- short-range contributions,
Wilson coefficients $\mathcal{C}_i^{(\prime)}$
 - long-range contributions,
local operators $\mathcal{O}_i^{(\prime)}$

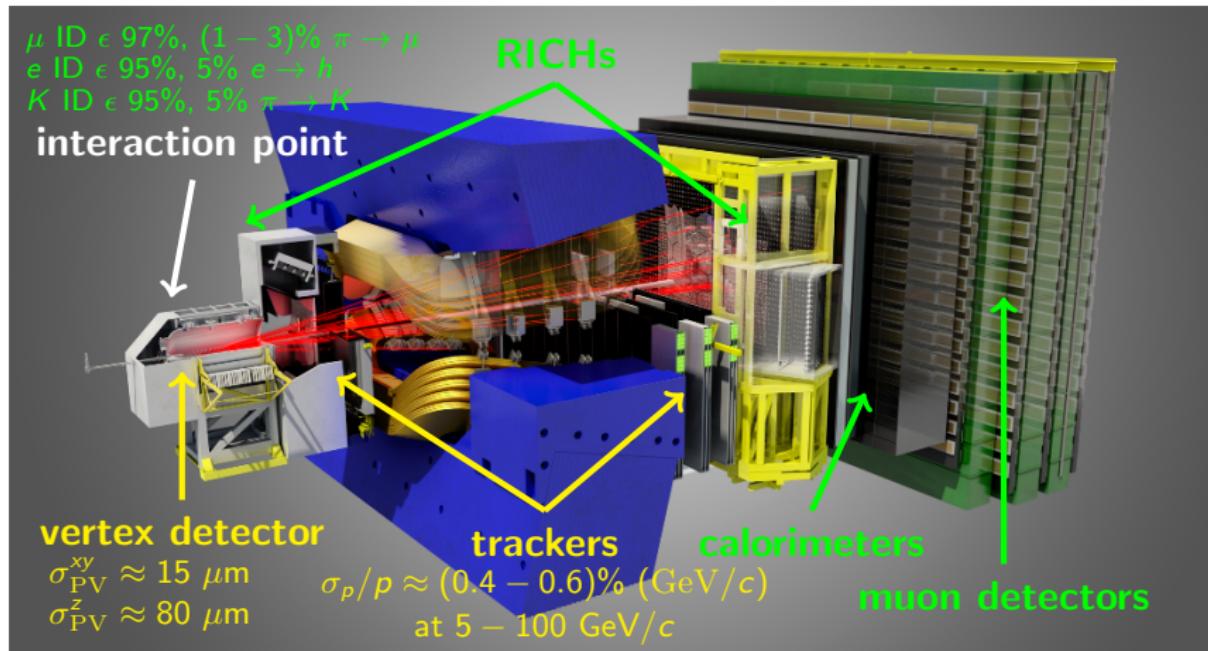
$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_i (\mathcal{C}_i \mathcal{O}_i + \mathcal{C}'_i \mathcal{O}'_i)$$

$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ differential decay width
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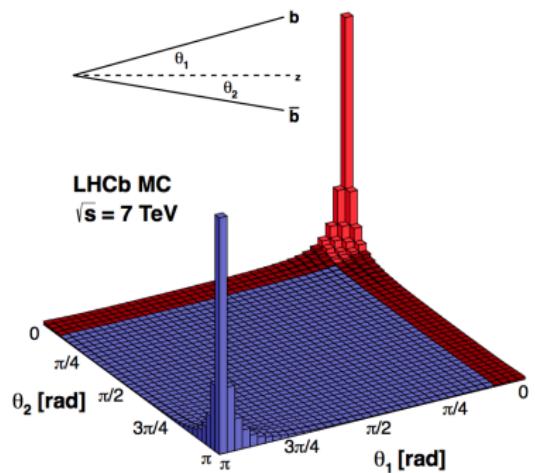
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pp collisions at $7 - 13$ TeV, pseudorapidity $2 < \eta < 5$



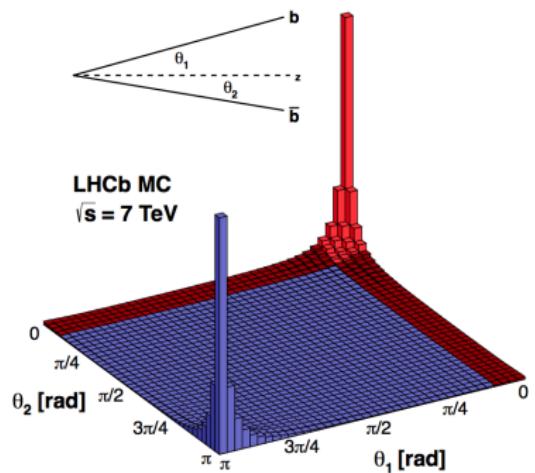
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The R_K measurement

- Ratio of branching fractions of $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ and $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ e^+ e^-$
 - $R_K \stackrel{\text{SM}}{=} 1 + \mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$
 - sensitive to new scalar and pseudoscalar interactions or Z' bosons
 - previously measured by BaBar and Belle

Experiment	q^2 (GeV 2)	R_K
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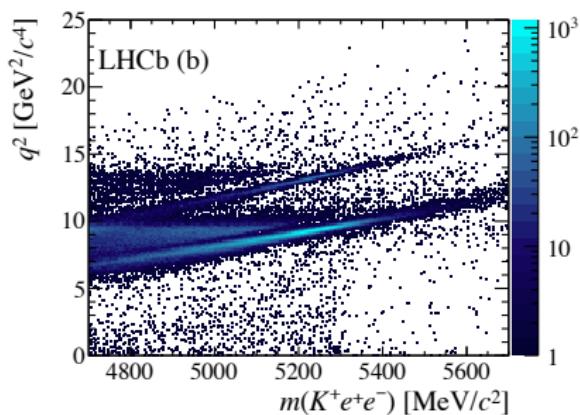
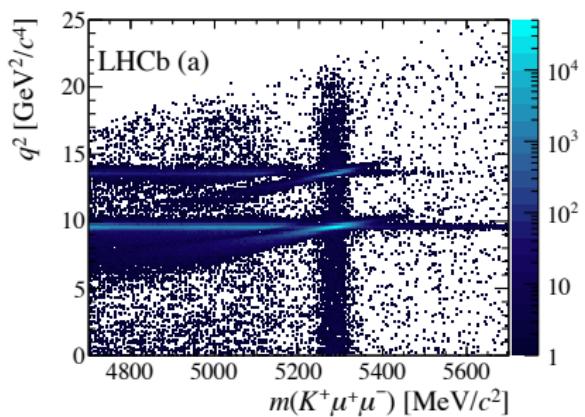
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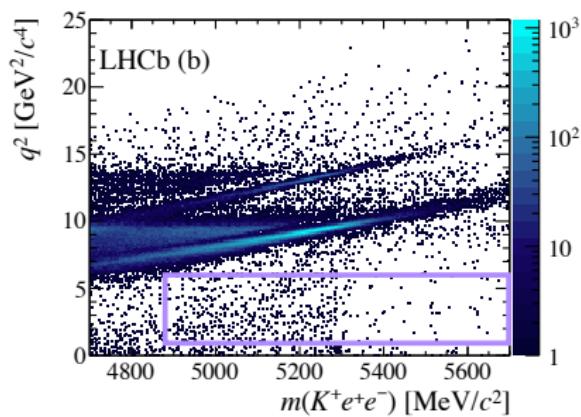
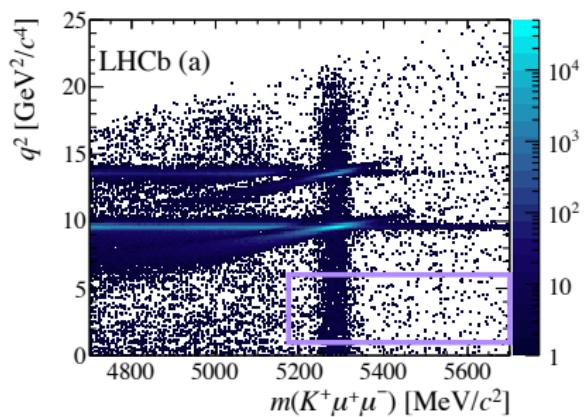
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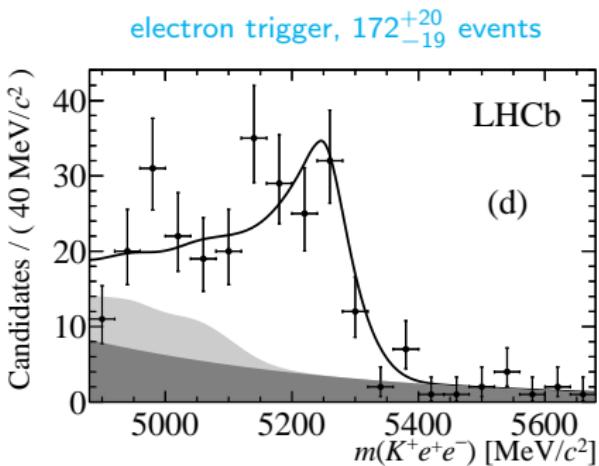
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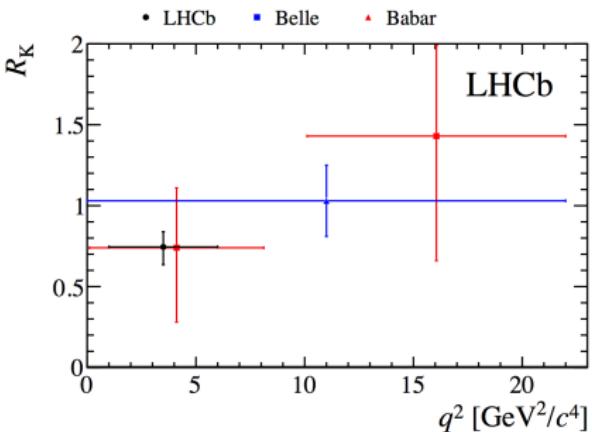


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The R_{K^*} measurement

- Analogous to R_K , but for $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$ and $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$
 - $R_{K^*} \stackrel{\text{SM}}{=} 1$ (but modified by phase-space effects)
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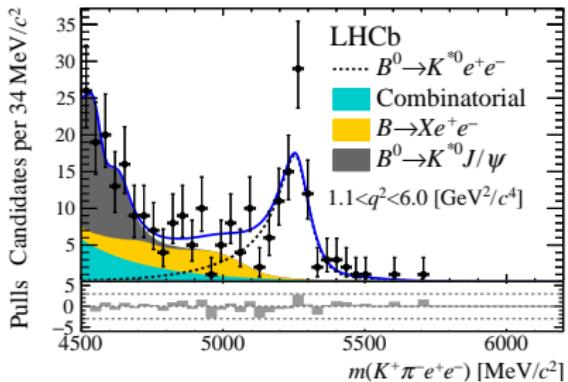
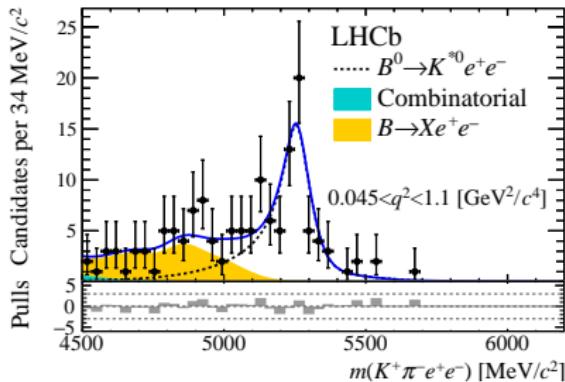
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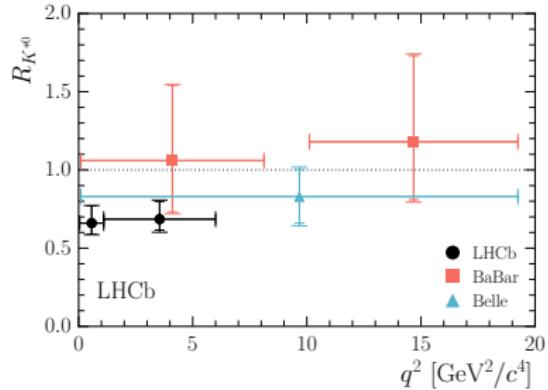
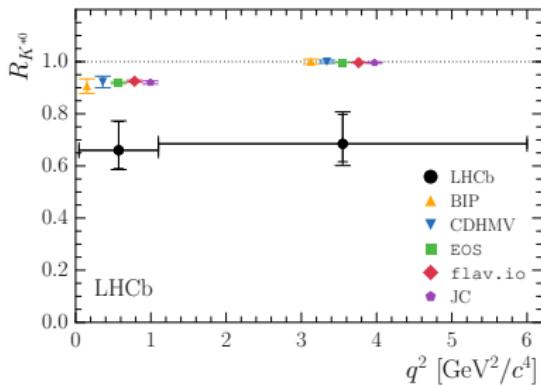
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(separately for three trigger categories)
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 - $2.1 - 2.3\sigma$ for low q^2
 - $2.4 - 2.5\sigma$ for central q^2

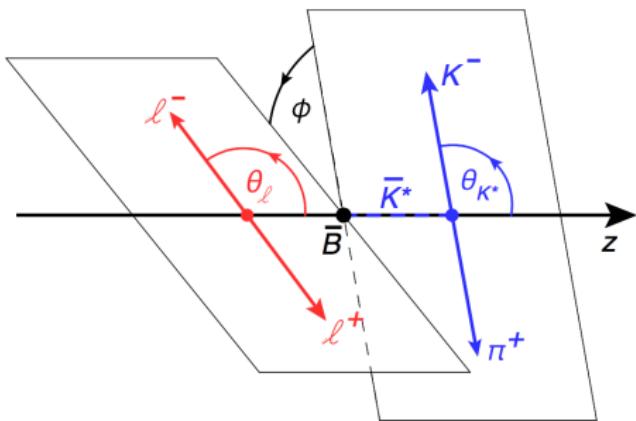
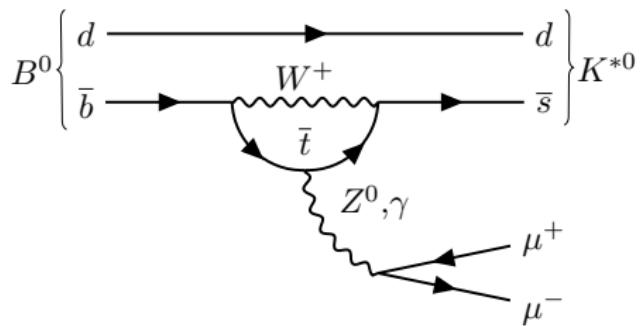
$$R_{K^{*0}} = \begin{cases} 0.66^{+0.11}_{-0.07} \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (syst)} & \text{for } 0.045 < q^2 < 1.1 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4 \\ 0.69^{+0.11}_{-0.07} \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.05 \text{ (syst)} & \text{for } 1.1 < q^2 < 6.0 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4 \end{cases}$$



Look at muons and electrons separately...

The $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \ell^+ \ell^-$ decay

- Angular analysis in terms of $\vec{\Omega} = (\theta_I, \theta_k, \phi)$ and $q^2 = m_{\ell\ell}^2$



LHCb analysis strategy

- Determine

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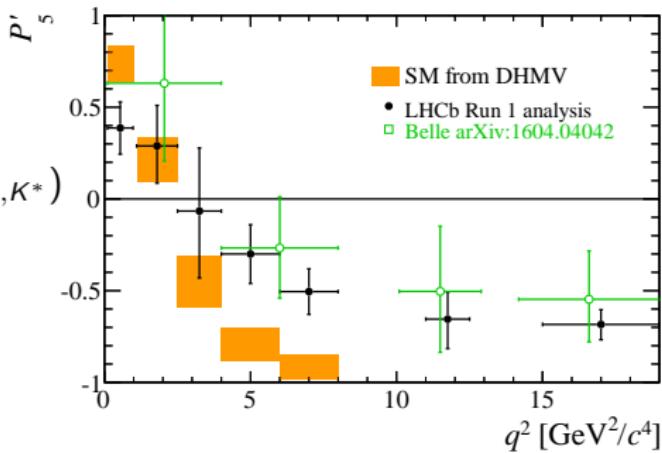
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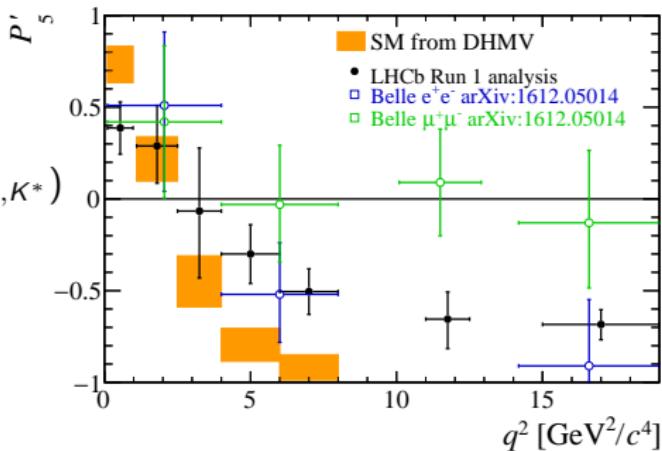
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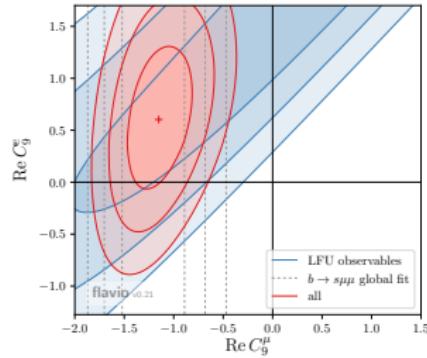
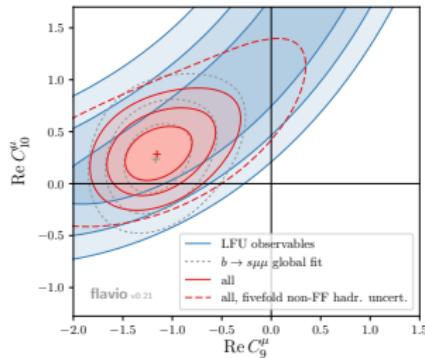
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Theory interpretation in terms of NP

- Measurements in favour of a reduced C_9^μ
- Possible link to LFNU
 - ⇒ arXiv:1605.03156, JHEP 12 (2014) 131, Phys. Rev. D 90, 054014 (2014)
- Can explain R_{D^*} anomaly (see Patrick's talk), assuming W' and Z'
 - ⇒ arXiv:1506.01705



Conclusions and future prospects

- Search for NP in the $b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-$ transition
 - hints of tension with SM predictions observed in R_K , R_{K^*} , and $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\mu^+\mu^-$
 - possible coherent pattern in terms of \mathcal{C}_9^μ (and possibly \mathcal{C}_{10}^μ)
- Updates with Run II statistics and new measurements
- Updates of R_K , R_{K^*} , and R_{D^*}
- New measurements of R_ϕ , R_D , $R_{K\pi\pi}$, and many more
- Angular analyses of $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\ell^+\ell^-$ and $B^+ \rightarrow K^+\ell^+\ell^-$
- Asymmetry measurements in angular observables, e.g. $e - \mu$ asymmetry in P'_5

Stay tuned!



Thanks for the attention!



Spare slides

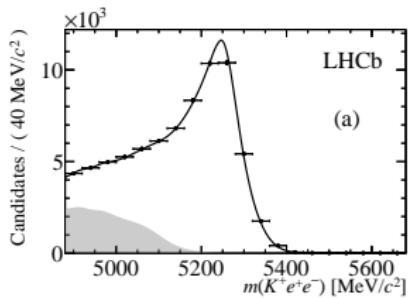
Effective Hamiltonian approach

- Combine results from several decays in order to
 - classify NP contributions
 - perform consistency checks

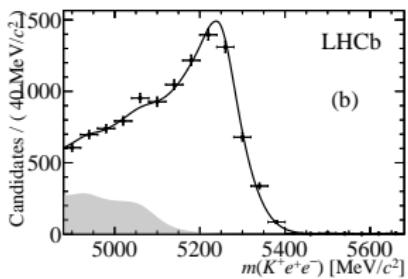
Operator \mathcal{O}_i	$B \rightarrow K^{*0}\gamma$	$B \rightarrow K^{*0}\mu^+\mu^-$	$B \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$
	$\mathcal{O}_7 \sim m_b(\bar{s}_L \sigma_{\mu\nu} b_R) F_{\mu\nu}$	✓	✓
	$\mathcal{O}_9 \sim (\bar{s}b)_{V-A}(\bar{\ell}\ell)_V$	✓	
	$\mathcal{O}_{10} \sim (\bar{s}b)_{V-A}(\bar{\ell}\ell)_A$	✓	✓
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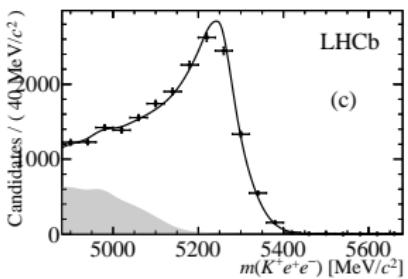
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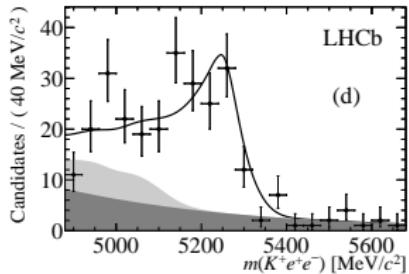
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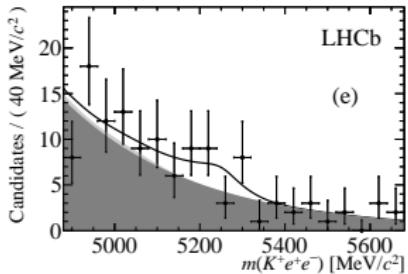
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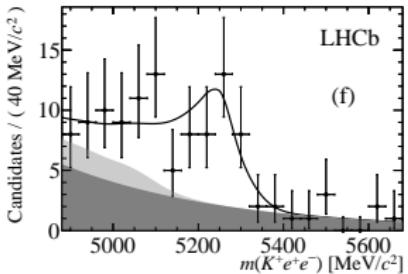
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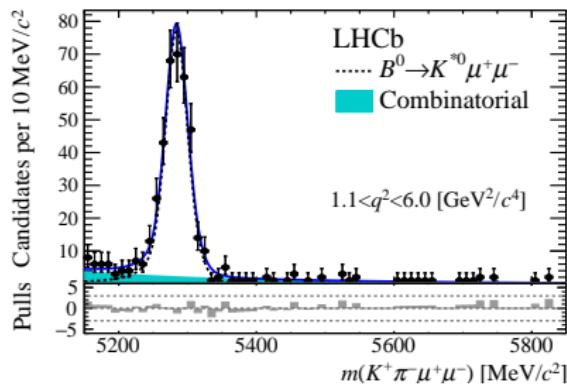
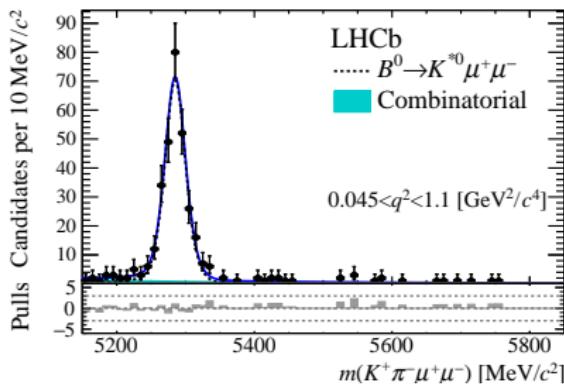


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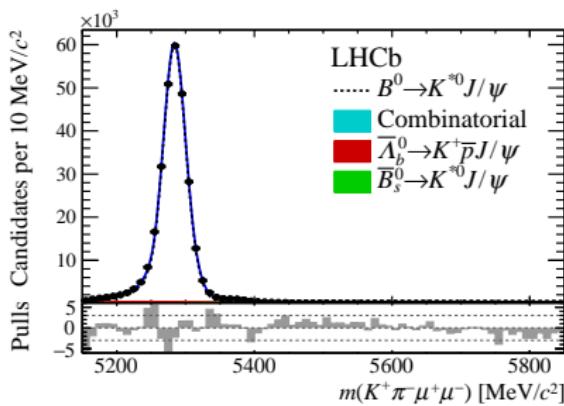
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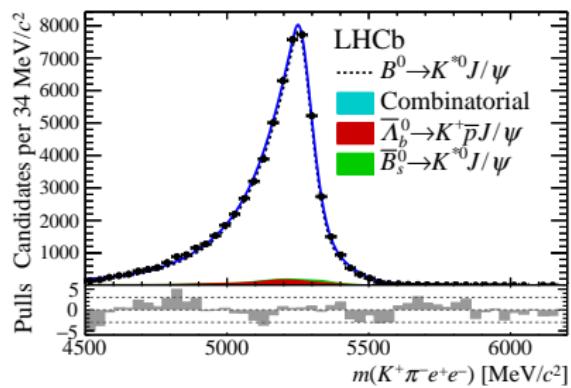
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$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

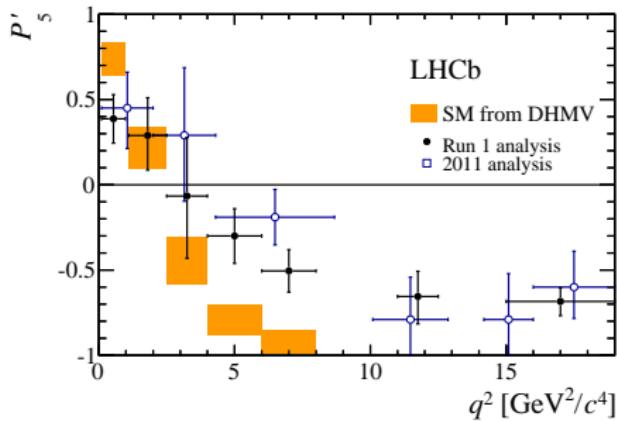
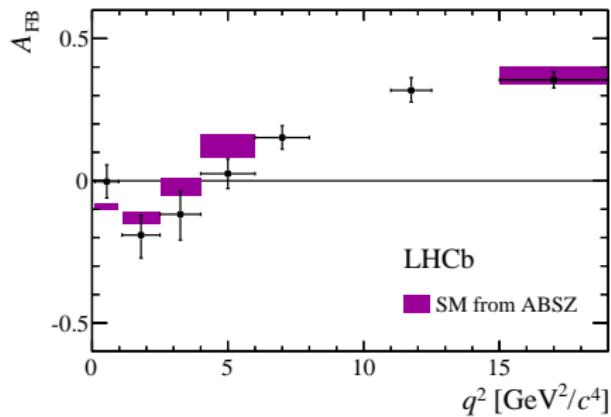


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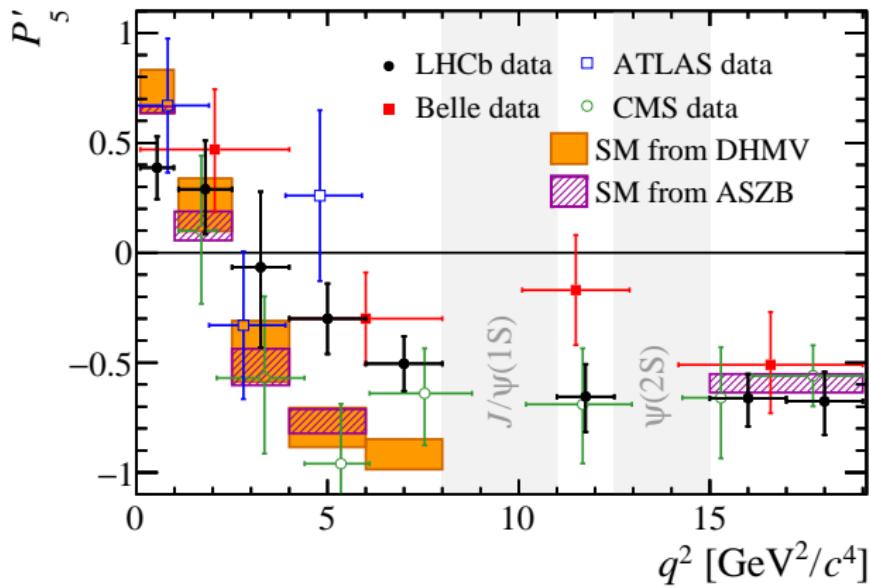
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- Overview of P'_5 results



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$$F_L = \frac{|A_0|^2}{|A_0|^2 + |A_{||}|^2 + |A_{\perp}|^2}$$

$$A_T^{(2)} = \frac{|A_{\perp}|^2 - |A_{||}|^2}{|A_{\perp}|^2 + |A_{||}|^2}$$

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$$|A_0|^2 = |A_{0L}|^2 + |A_{0R}|^2$$

$$|A_{||}|^2 = |A_{||L}|^2 + |A_{||R}|^2$$

$$|A_{\perp}|^2 = |A_{\perp L}|^2 + |A_{\perp R}|^2$$

with

$$A_T^{(2)}(q^2 \rightarrow 0) = \frac{2\Re(C_7 C_7'^*)}{|C_7|^2 + |C_7'|^2}$$

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Local operators

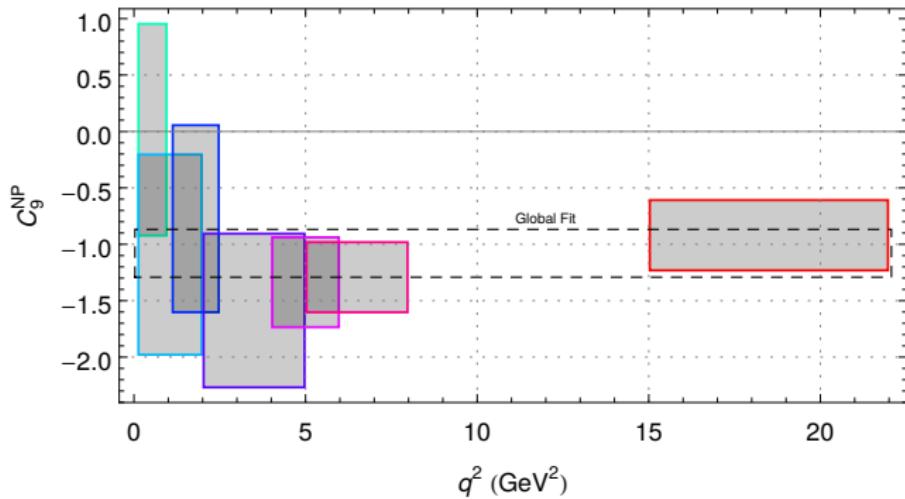
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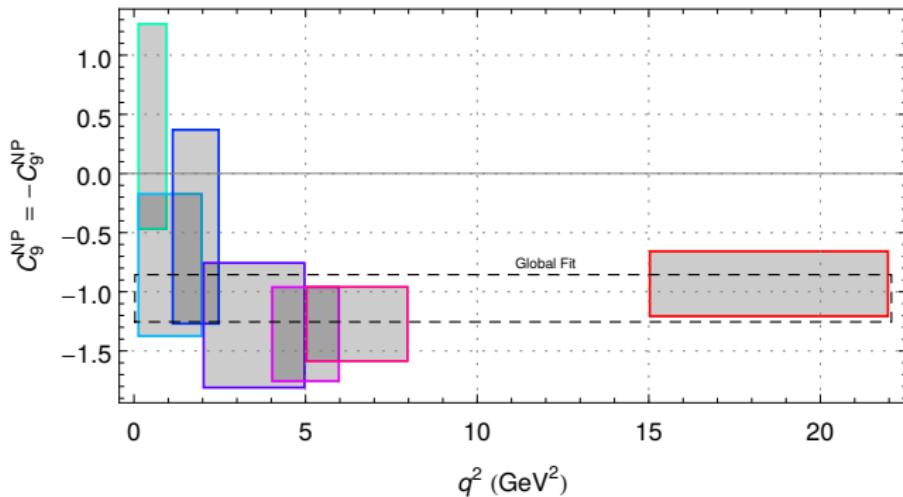
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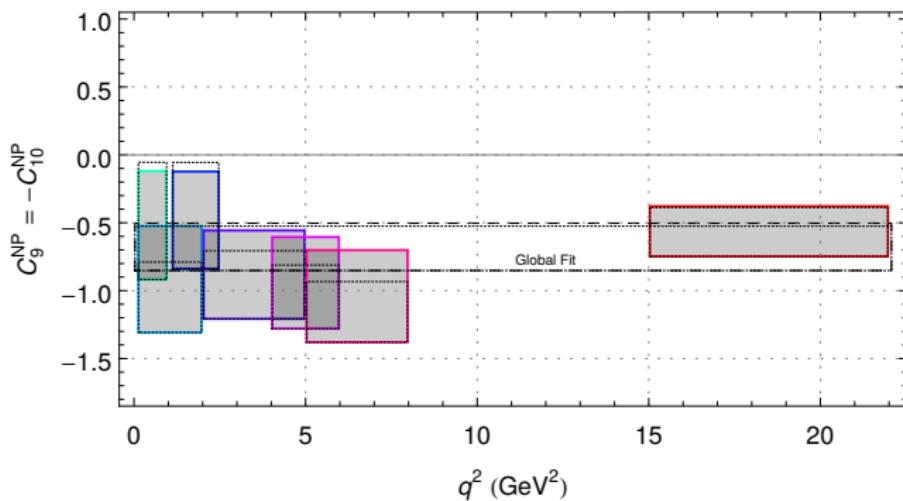
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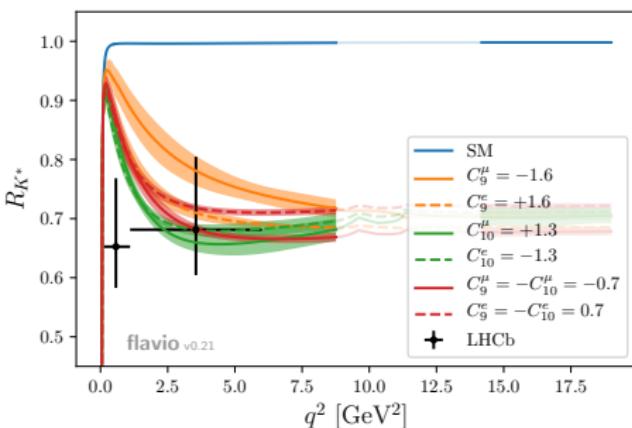
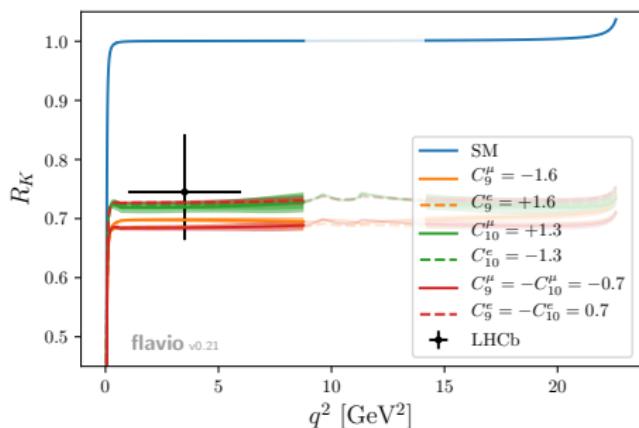
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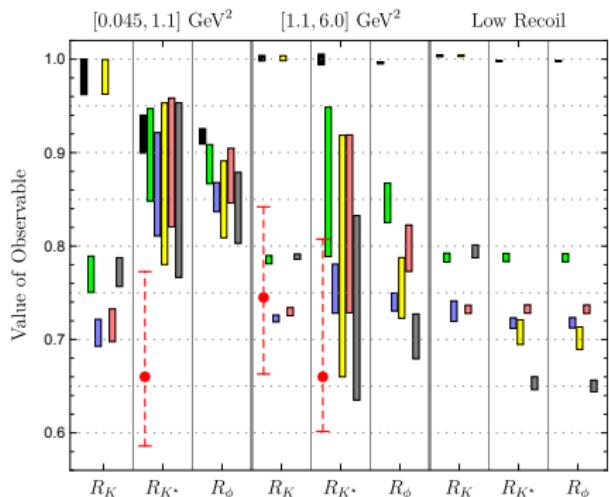
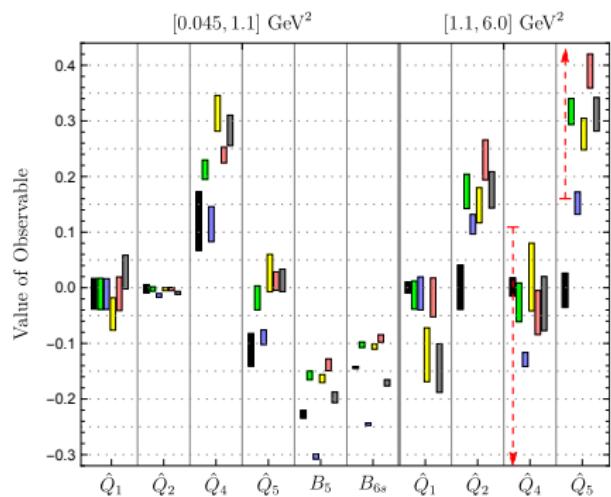
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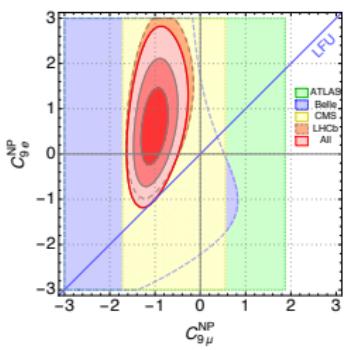
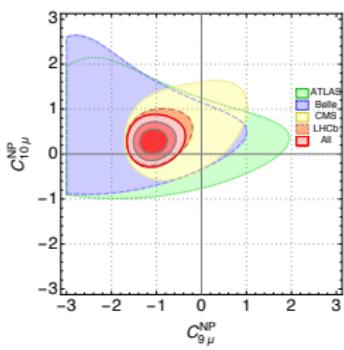
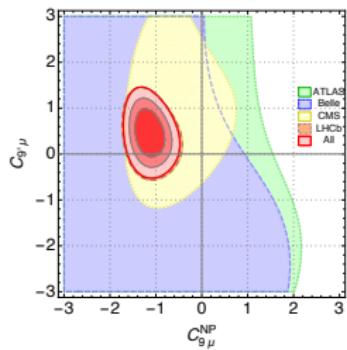
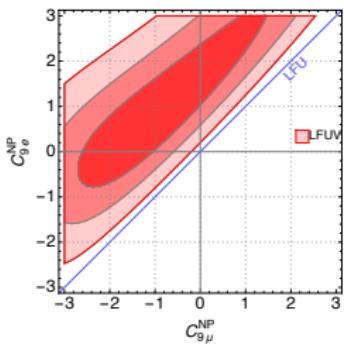
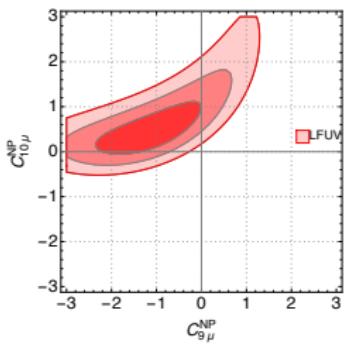
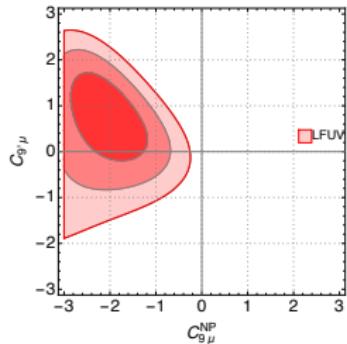


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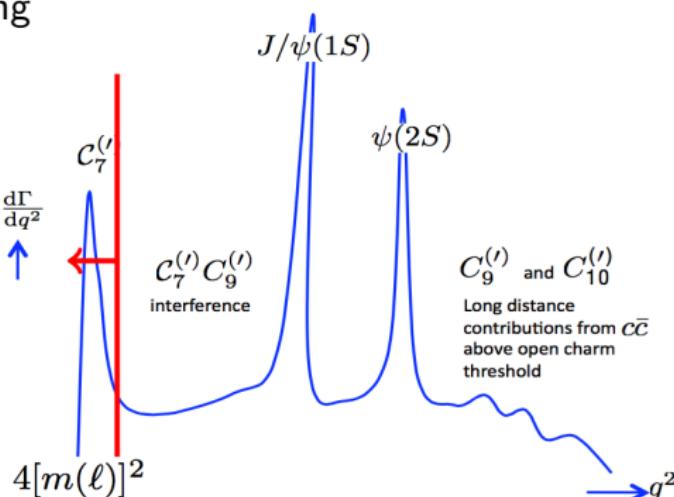


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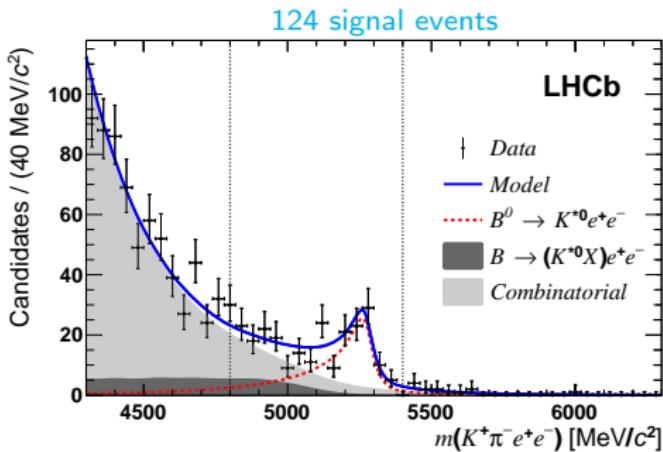
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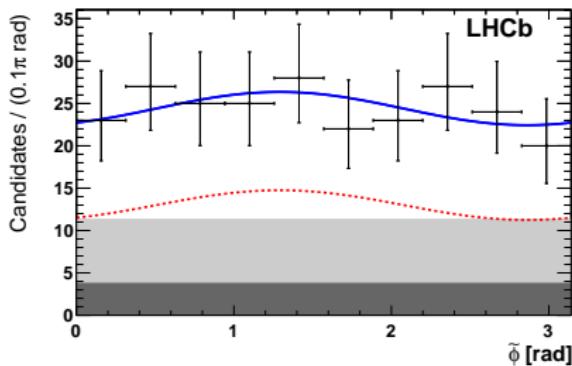
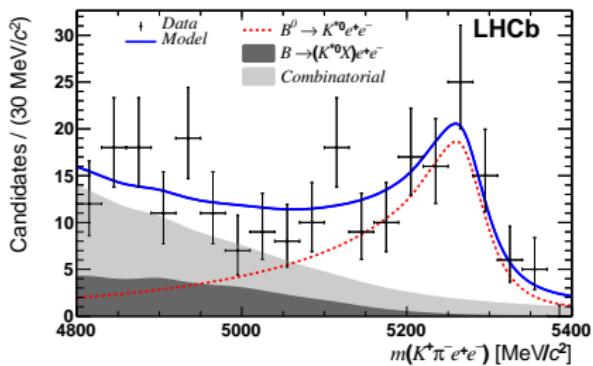


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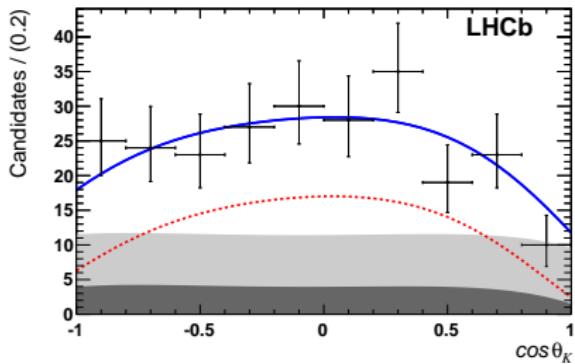
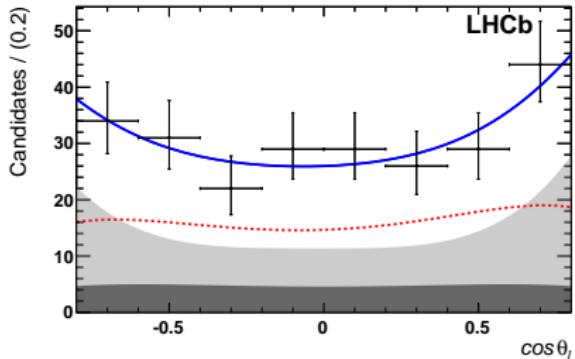
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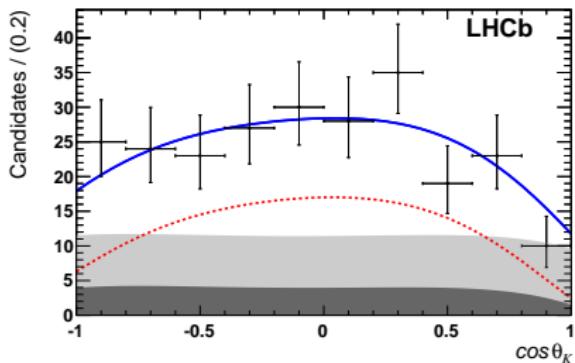
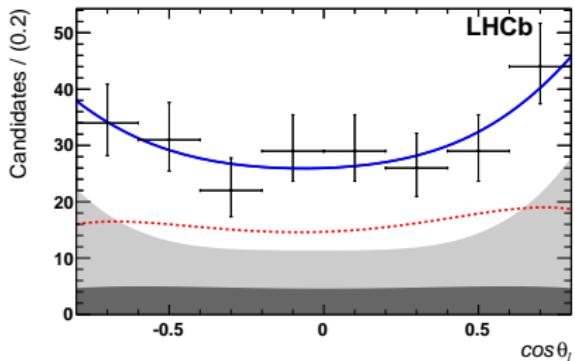
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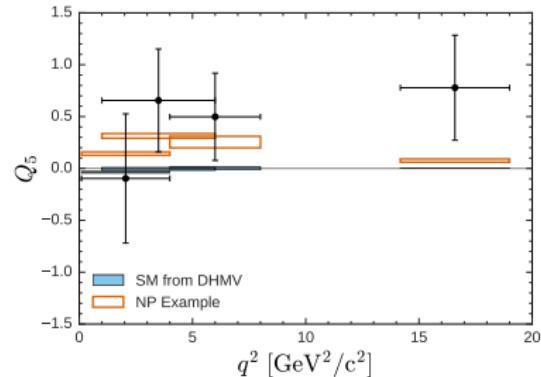
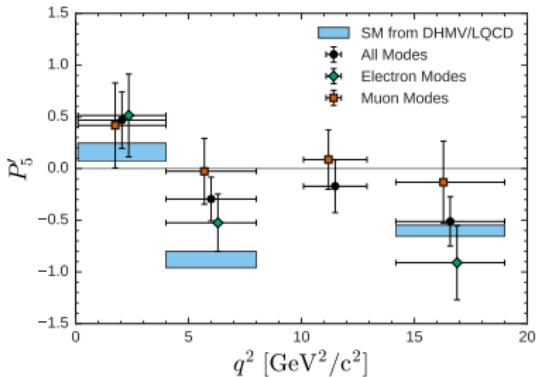
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