

Plans for a LHCb m_W measurement

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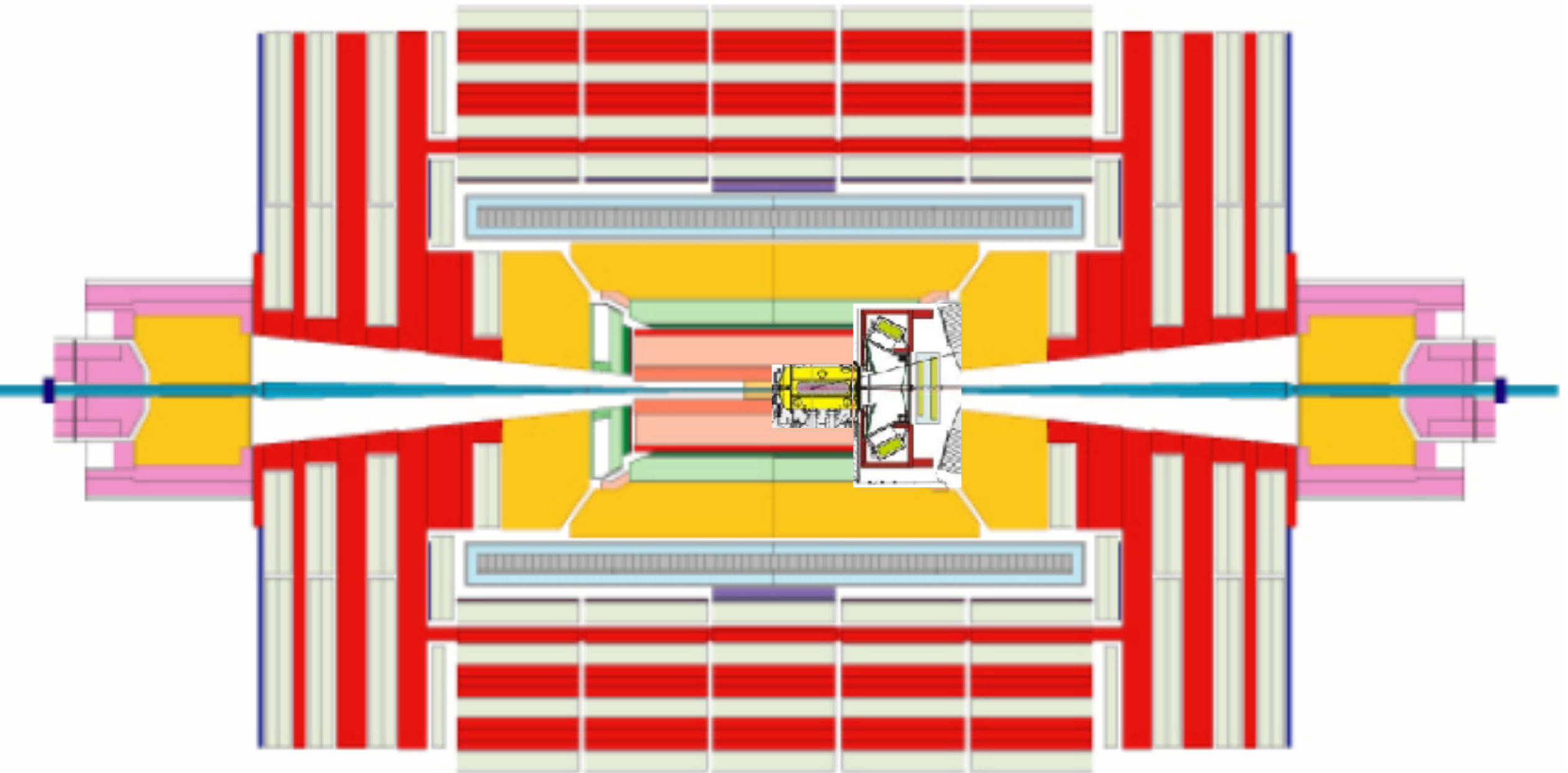
Why at LHCb?

Surely not? Smaller kinematic acceptance than ATLAS/CMS. No missing p_T , hence poorer purity.

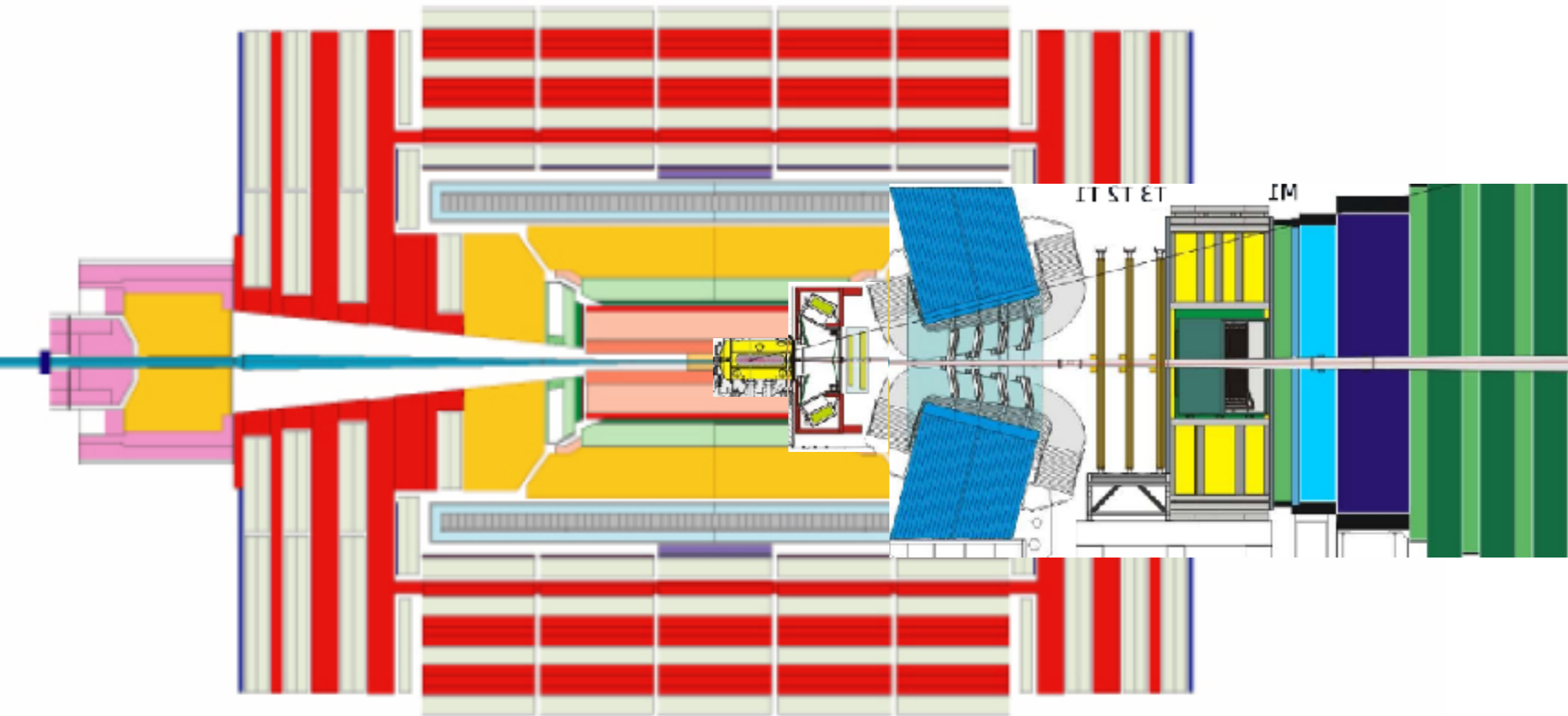
The unique kinematic acceptance is exactly WHY we want to measure m_W with LHCb.

Statistics isn't an issue. LHCb will have $\sim 10M$ W decays by the end of Run-II.

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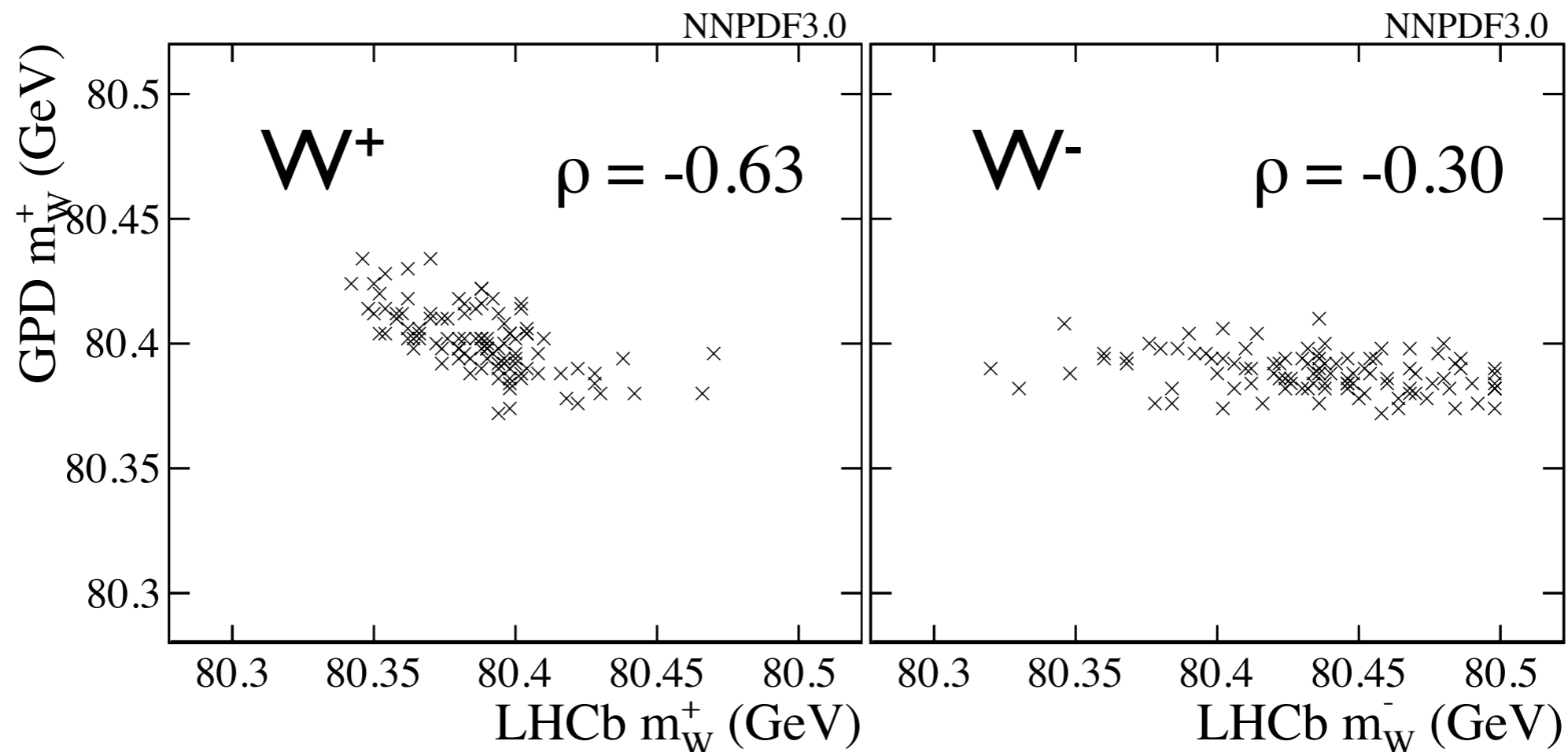


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Effect on PDF uncertainties

(Assuming only p_T^{lept} based measurements)



The lepton-acceptance driven PDF uncertainty is highly anti correlated between central and forward m_W measurements.

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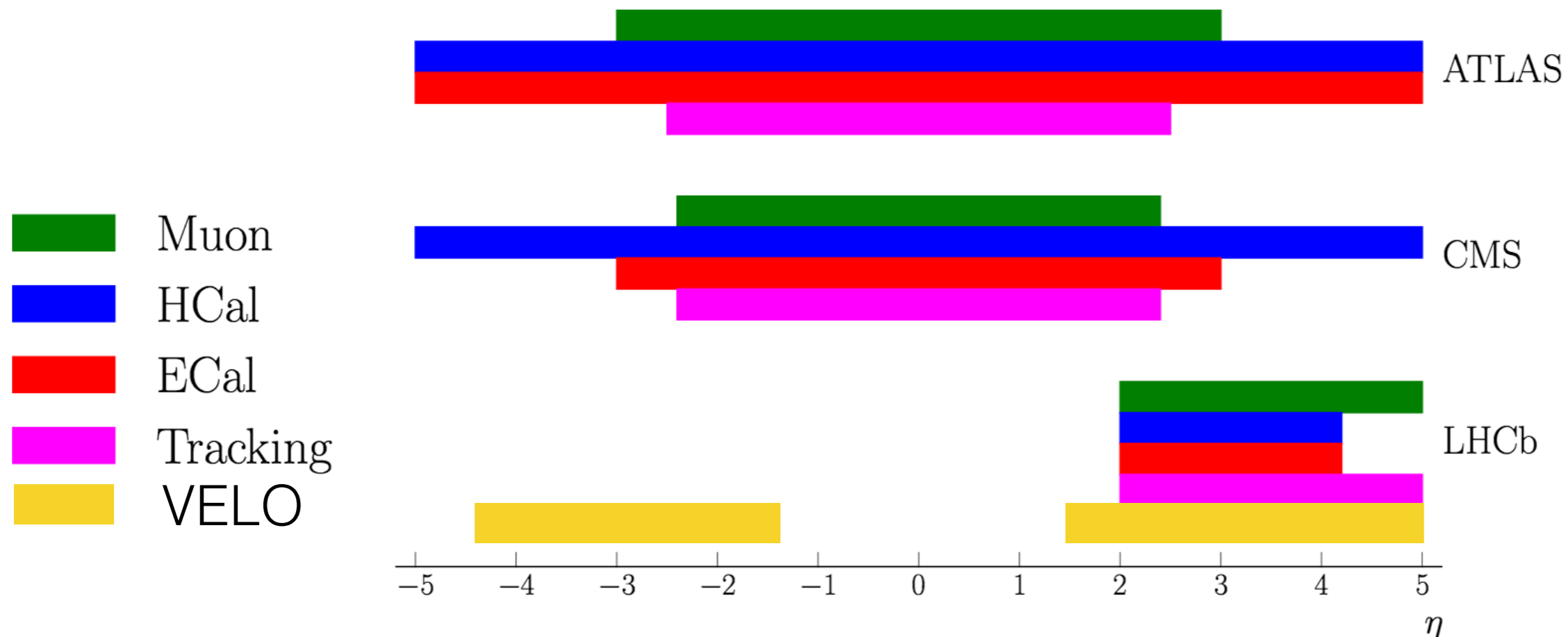
It is obvious that we must carefully co-ordinate the treatment of correlated systematics so that we can best exploit our complementarity.

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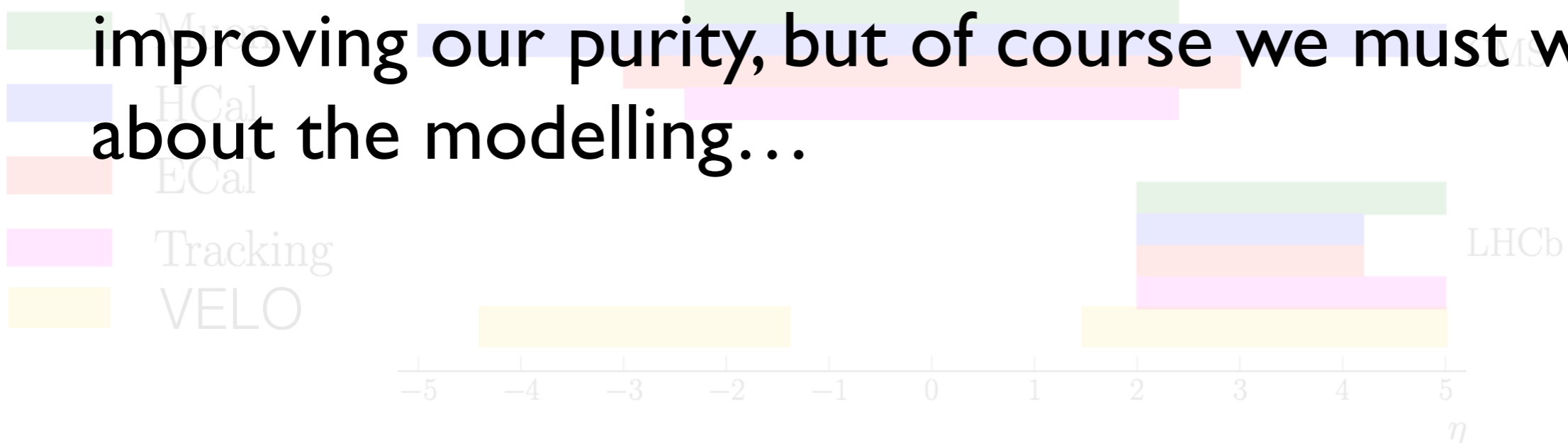
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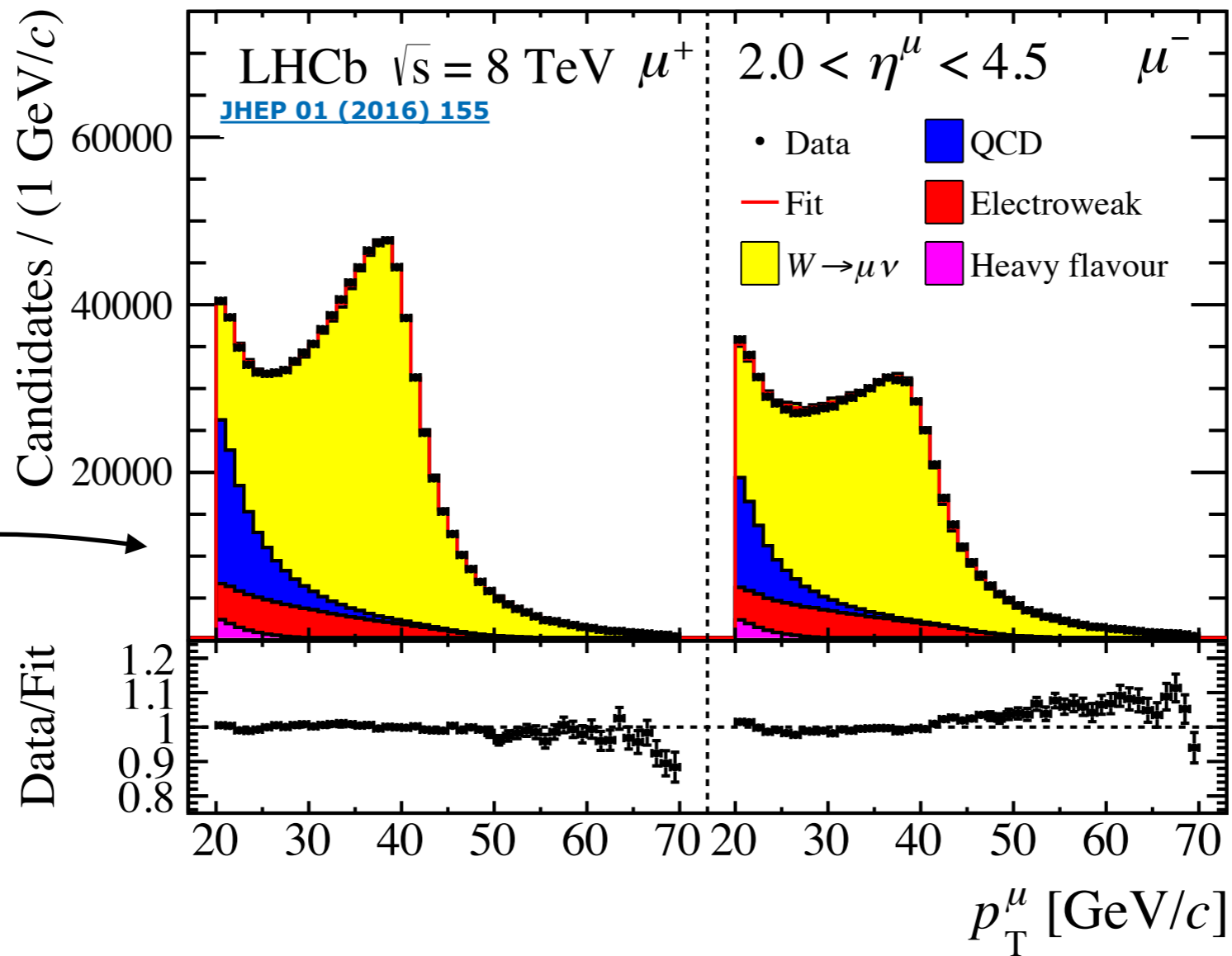
LHCb challenges:

$p_T(W)$ model: less able to test modelling with recoil in W events. Modelling in forward direction is less charted territory — expect surprises!

Purity: no “proper” missing p_T .

W purity and yield

Expect to have $\sim 10^7$ W decays by the end of Run-II.



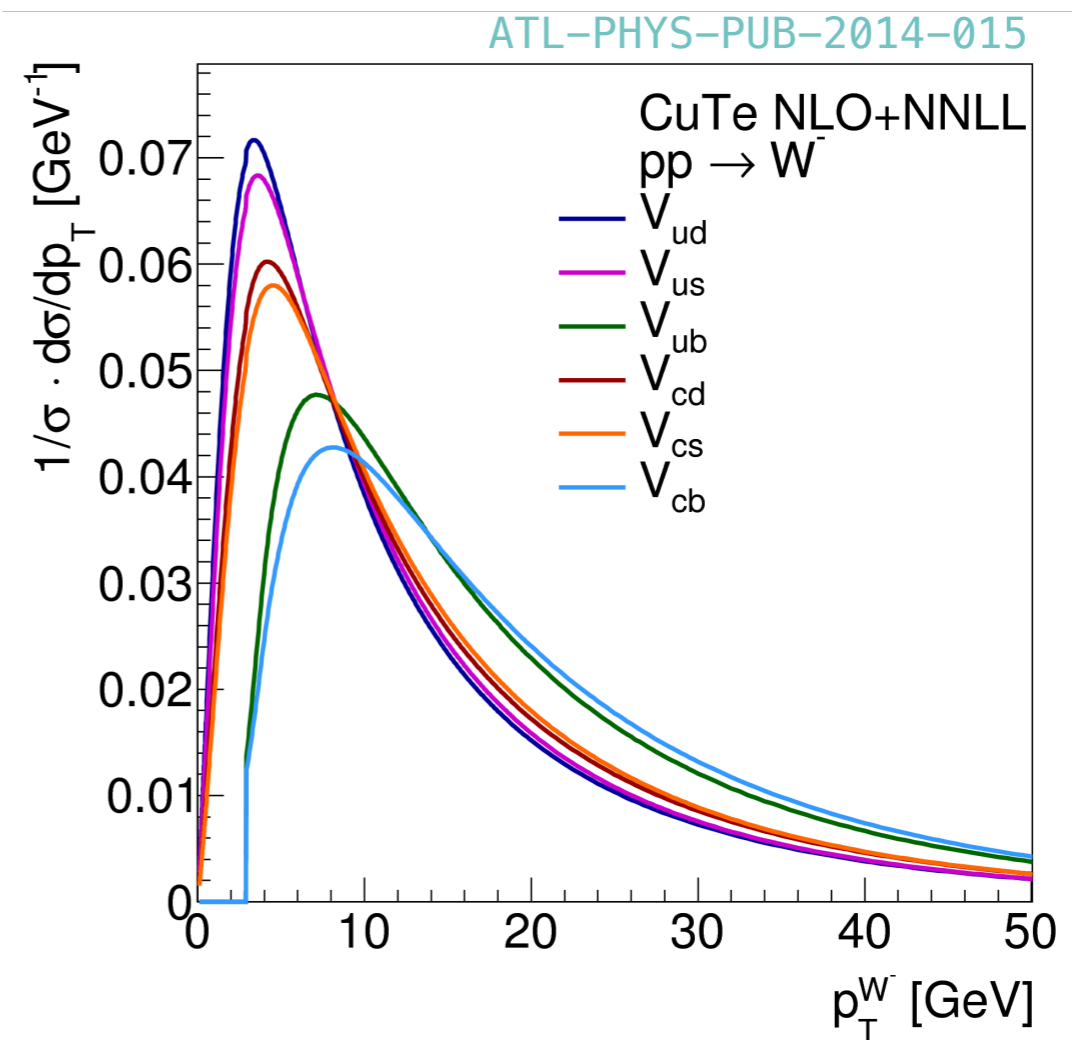
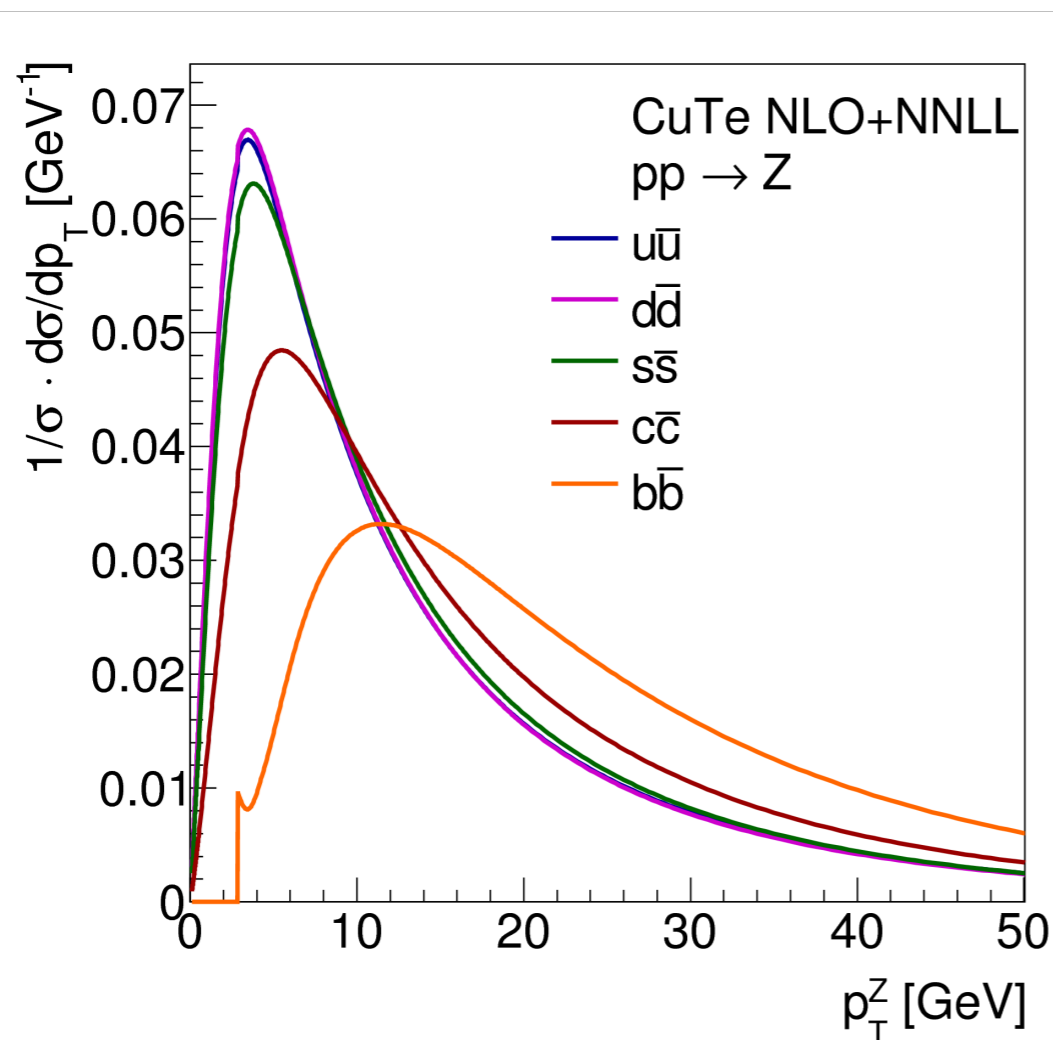
We must carefully control this background.

W_{p_T} model

We will have $\sim 10^6$ $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \mu\mu$ decays.

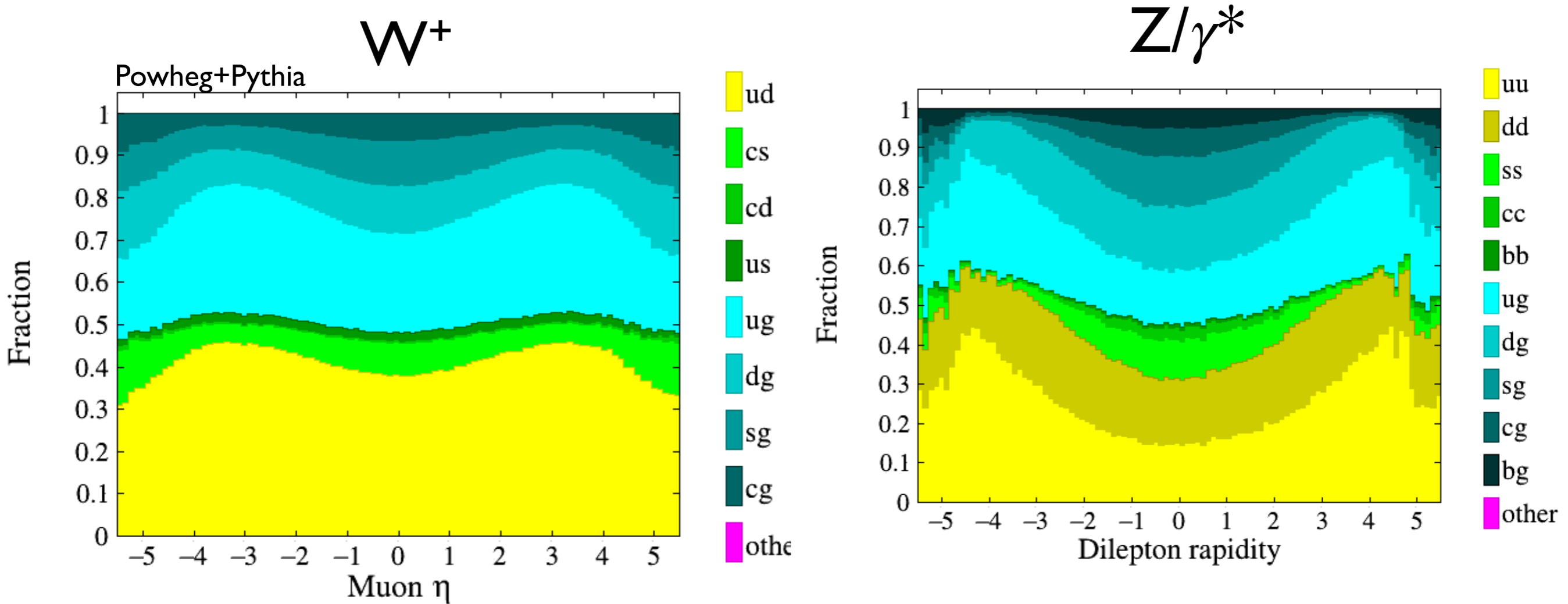
The problem is the translation Z to W .

E.g. heavy quark effects



W_{pT} model

Perhaps this is even more motivation to make a m_W measurement in a unique kinematic region.



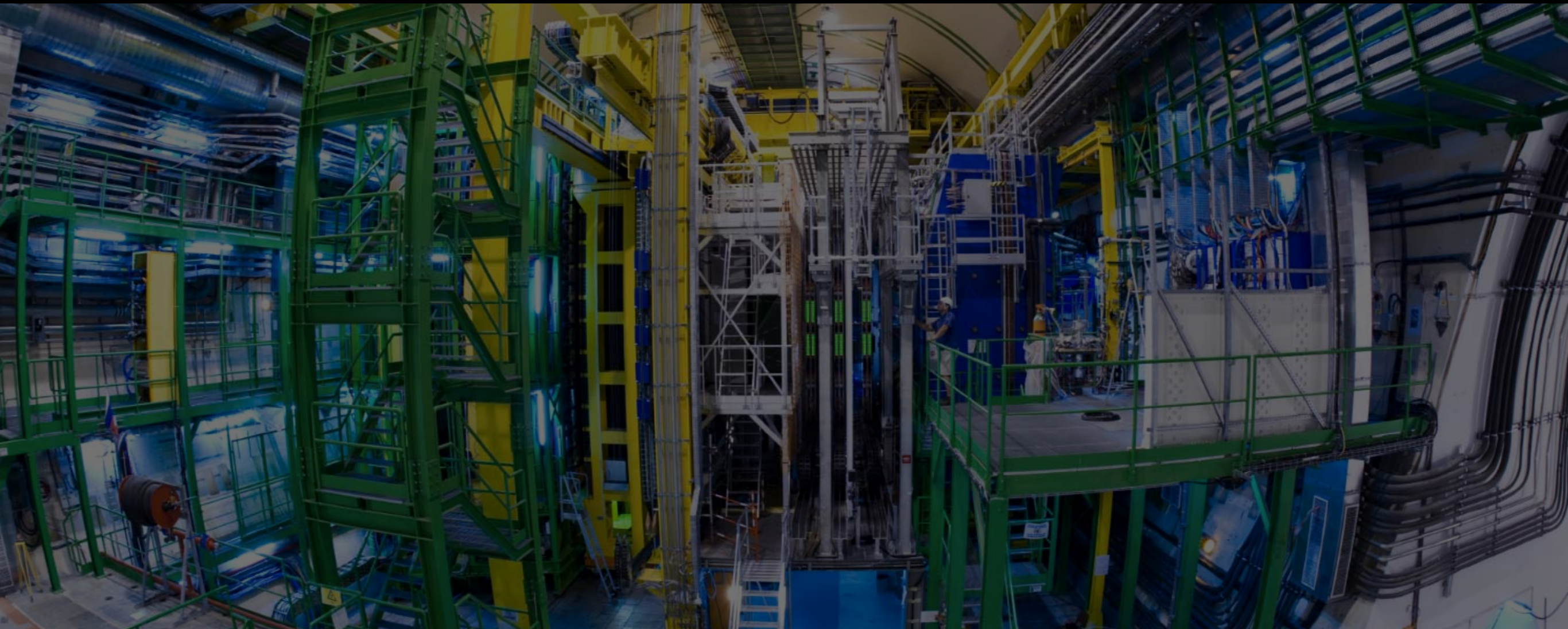
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Question to our theory friends: What are the most important unfolded ($Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \mu\mu$, or anything else) measurements that we should focus on in the short term?

We certainly plan to make measurements of angular coefficients, and $(1/\sigma) (d^3\sigma/dp_T dy dM)$ with the finest granularity that our Z data statistically allows.

Conclusion

We look forward to joining our theory, ATLAS, CMS, CDF and D0 friends in this m_W effort!



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