

Tests of Lepton Flavor Universality

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A photograph of the Split waterfront at dusk. The city's historic buildings, including Diocletian's Palace and the Hotel Cornaro, are reflected in the calm water of the Adriatic Sea. The sky is a gradient from blue to orange, indicating sunset.

LHC Days in Split

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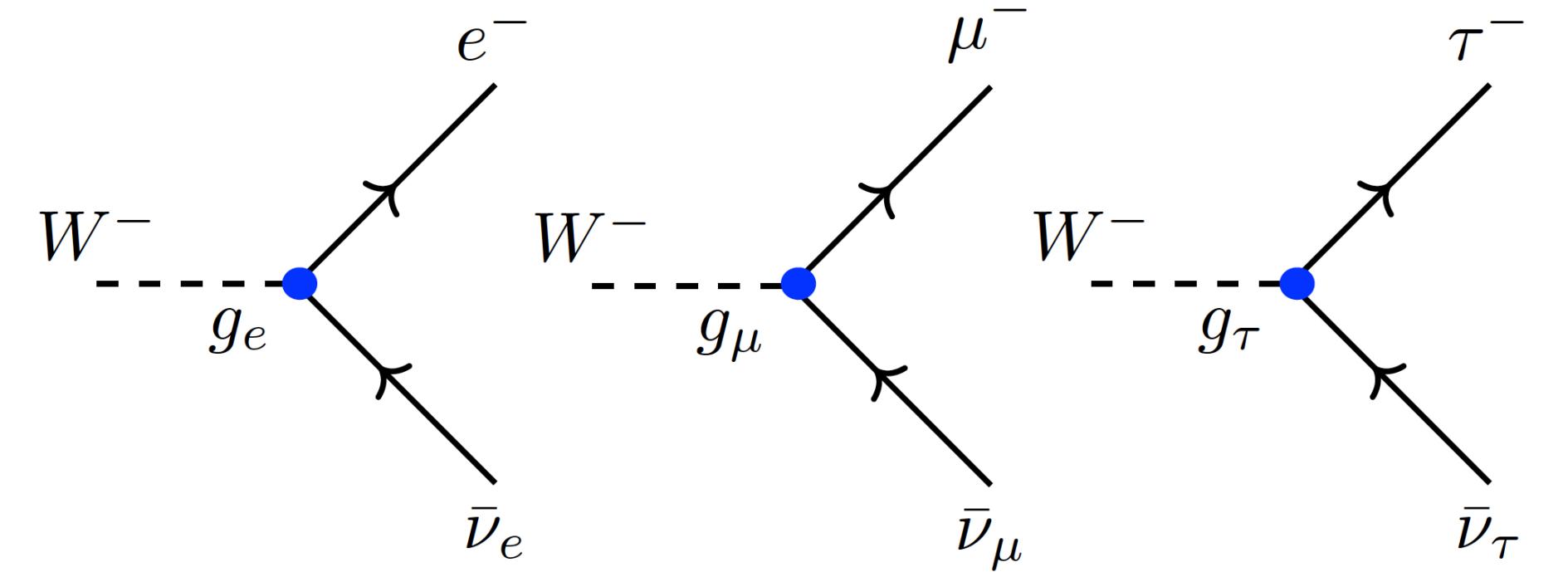
Diocletian's Palace / Hotel Cornaro
Split, Croatia

Outline

1. Lepton Flavour Universality and LHCb detector
2. LFU tests in $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$
3. LFU tests in $b \rightarrow c\ell\nu$
4. Prospect and conclusions

Lepton Flavour Universality (LFU)

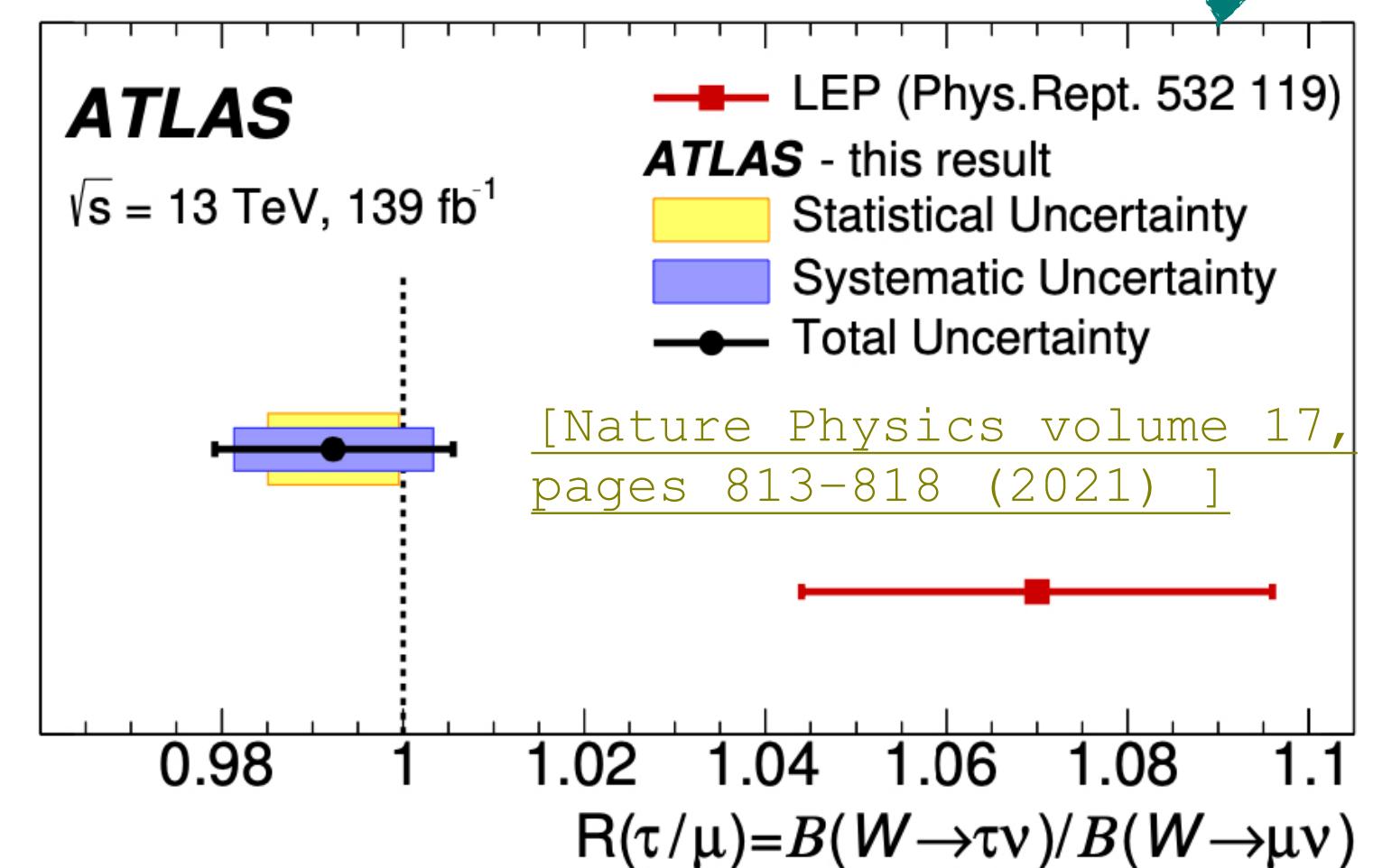
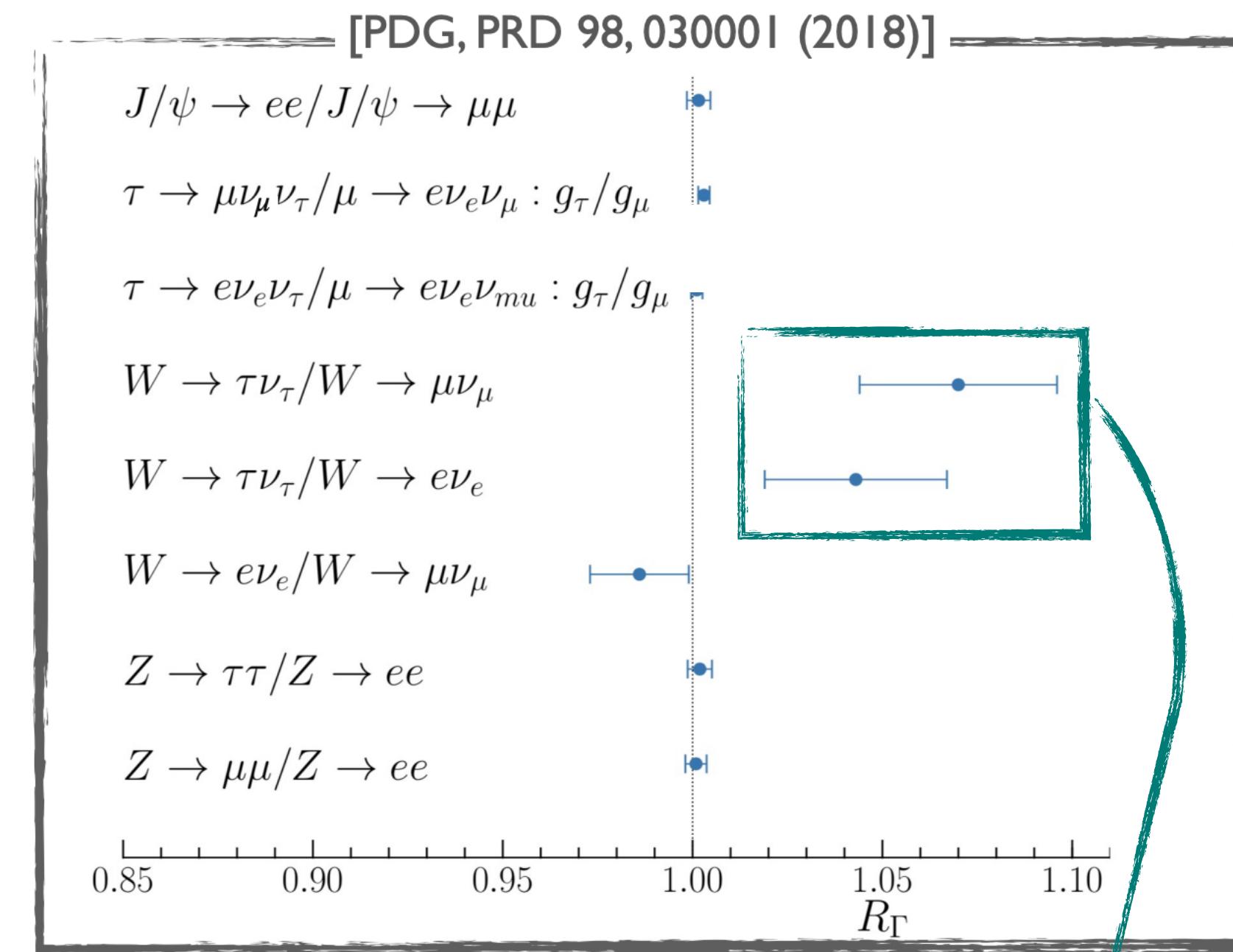
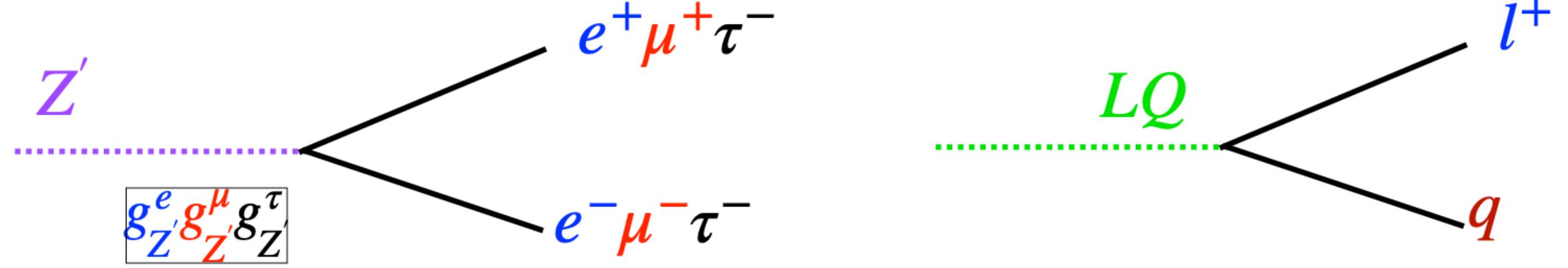
- In the SM, EW couplings are independent from lepton flavours



- Extensively verified in $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$, $\tau \rightarrow l\nu\nu$, $J/\psi \rightarrow \ell\ell$, $\pi \rightarrow l\nu$, $K \rightarrow \pi\ell\nu$
- EW couplings universality verified at per-mille level** since LEP

♦ $W \rightarrow \tau\nu$ longstanding tension of 2.5σ solved by recent ATLAS measurement

- BSM new particles can break LFU at high energy scales



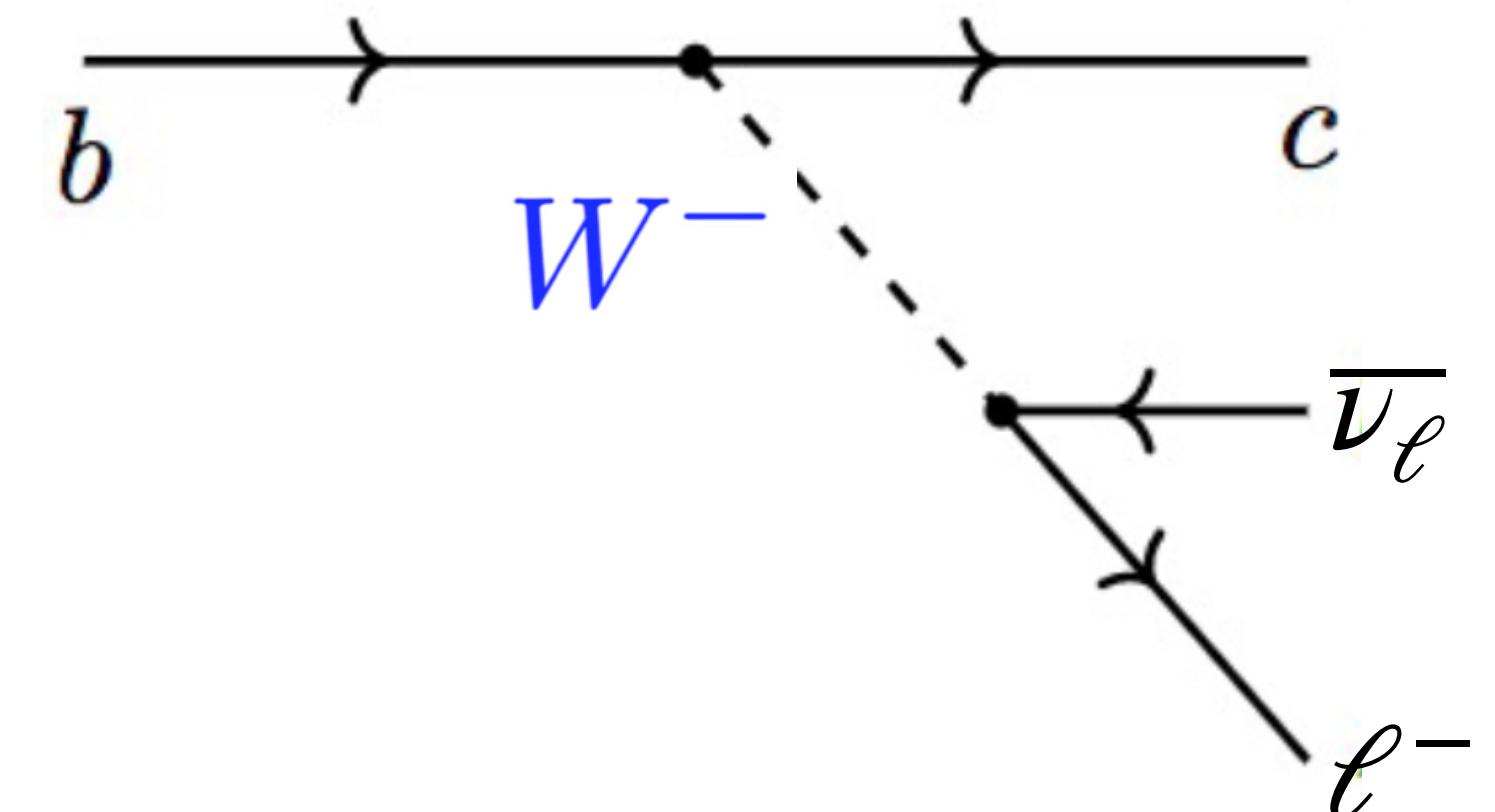
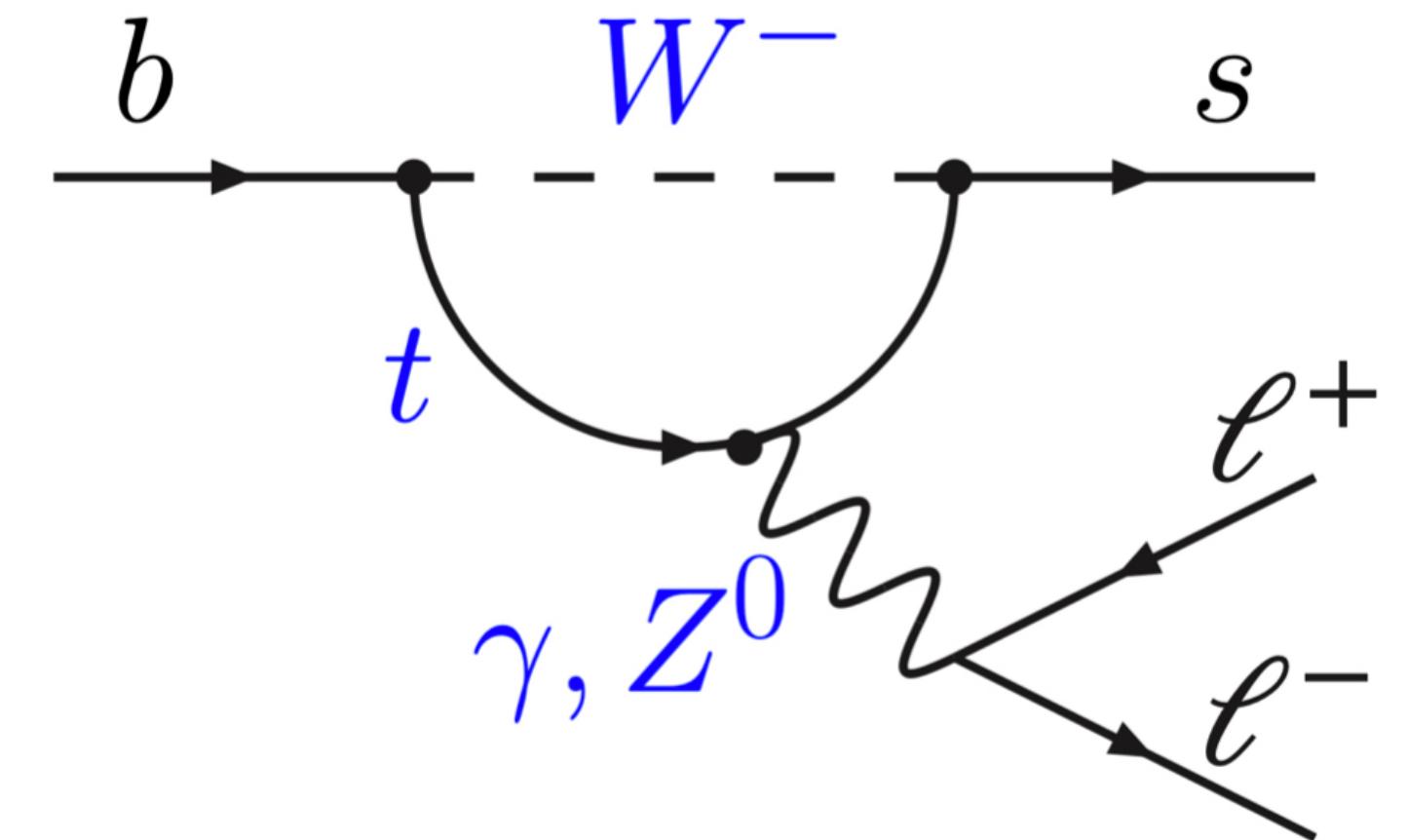
Lepton Flavour Universality tests with B decays

LFU tests in $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$

- ▶ $\mathcal{B} \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$, suppressed at tree level
- ▶ Highly sensitive to NP (10-100 TeV scale)
 - ◆ Λ_{NP} probed depends on NP structure (LFUV, LFU universal)
- ▶ NP can affect:
 - ◆ decay rates and differential decay rates
 - ◆ angular distributions
- ▶ Is BSM physics hierarchical in lepton sector?
 - ▶ LFU tests with μ/e

LFU tests also in $b \rightarrow c\ell\nu$ at LHCb

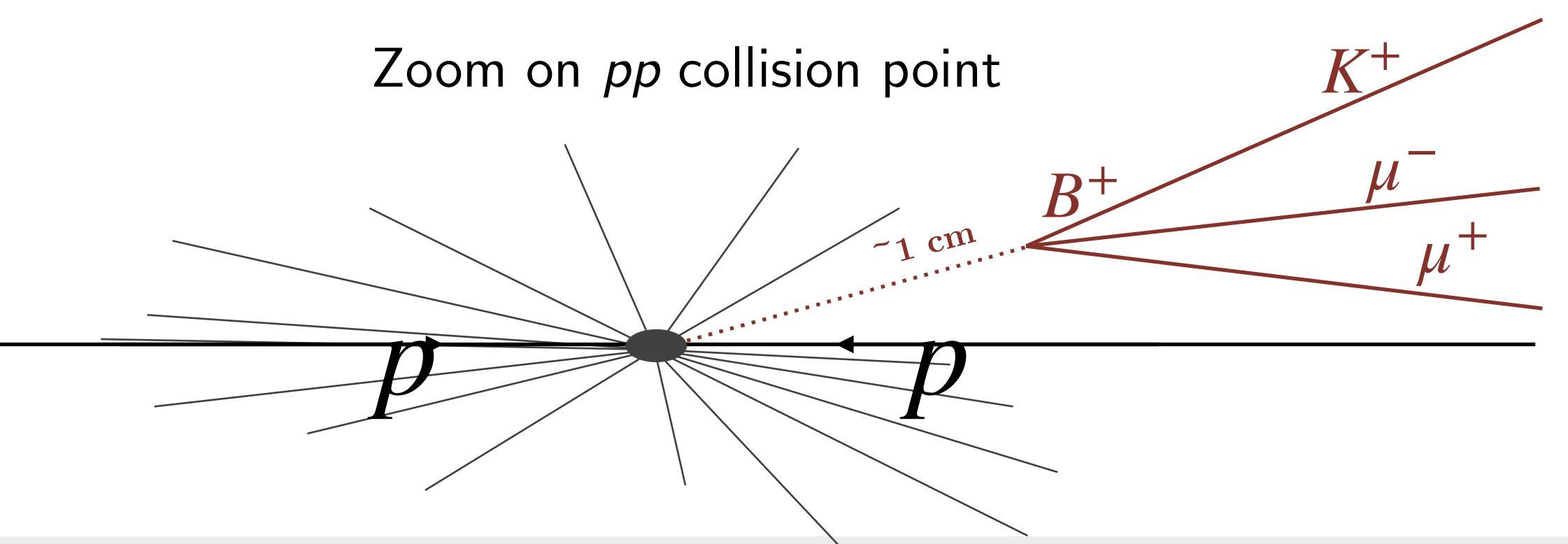
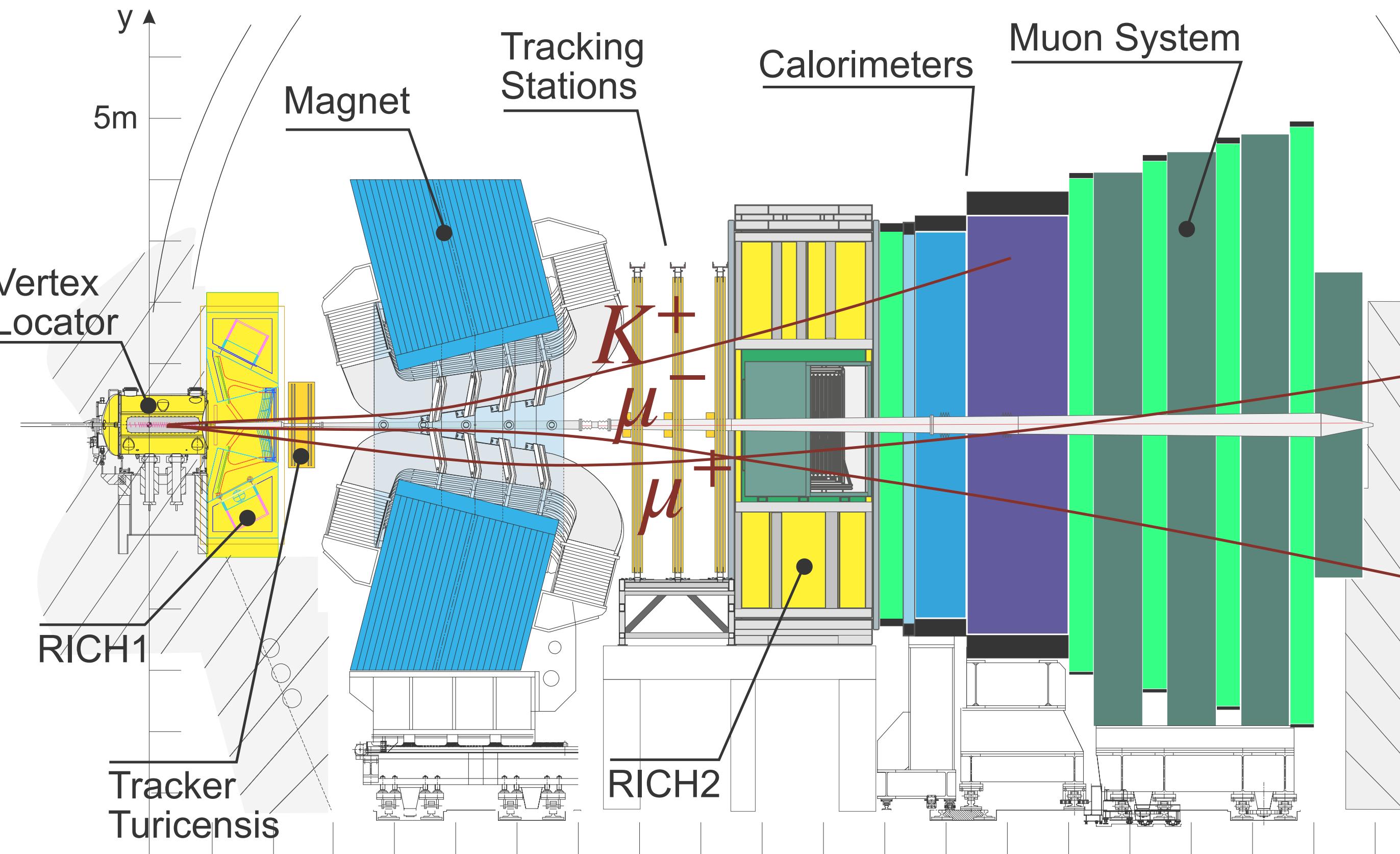
- ▶ Large \mathcal{B} , tree level processes
- ▶ Tree level transition, missing neutrino makes it experimentally challenging
- ▶ τ/μ , τ/e



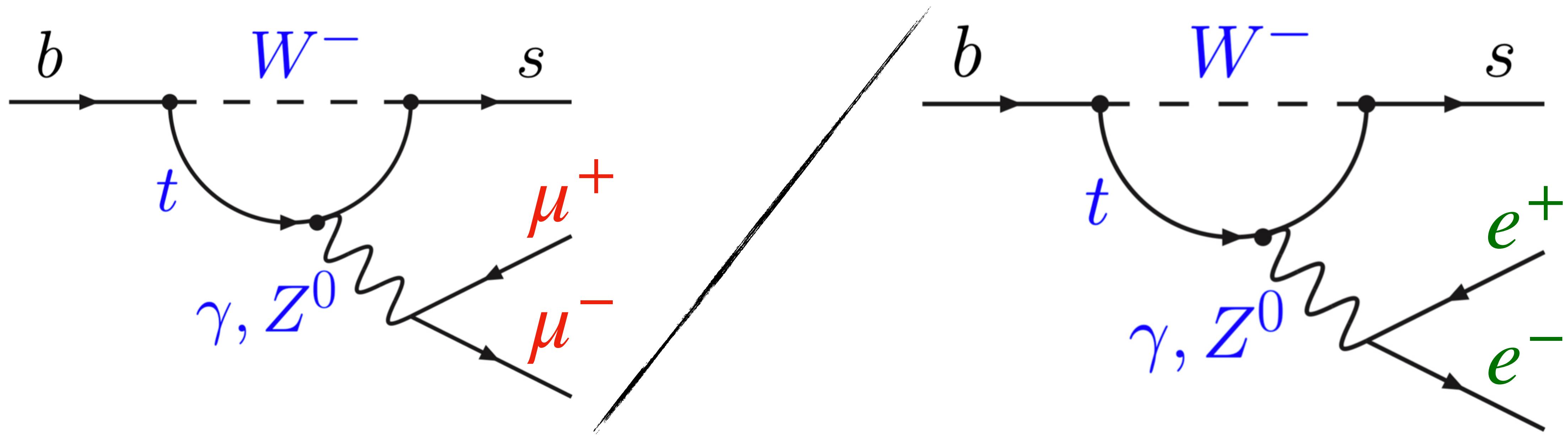
The LHCb experiment

[Int. J. Mod. Phys. A 30, 1530022 (2015)]

- ▶ Lower luminosity than ATLAS/CMS for $\langle \mu \rangle \simeq 1.7$, $\mathcal{L}^{\text{LHCb}} \simeq 3.5 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
→ $\mathcal{O}(10^{12})$ b hadrons in LHCb acceptance in RunI/II (2011-2018)
- ▶ Acceptance in forward region of pp collisions ($2 < \eta < 5$)
 - ▶ Excellent displaced vertex identification
 - ▶ Low- p_T triggers (few GeV)
- ▶ Dipole magnet with **very precise tracking detectors** $\sigma_p/p \sim 0.5\%$
 - ▶ Particle ID with calorimeters, muon system and Cherenkov detectors (RICH)

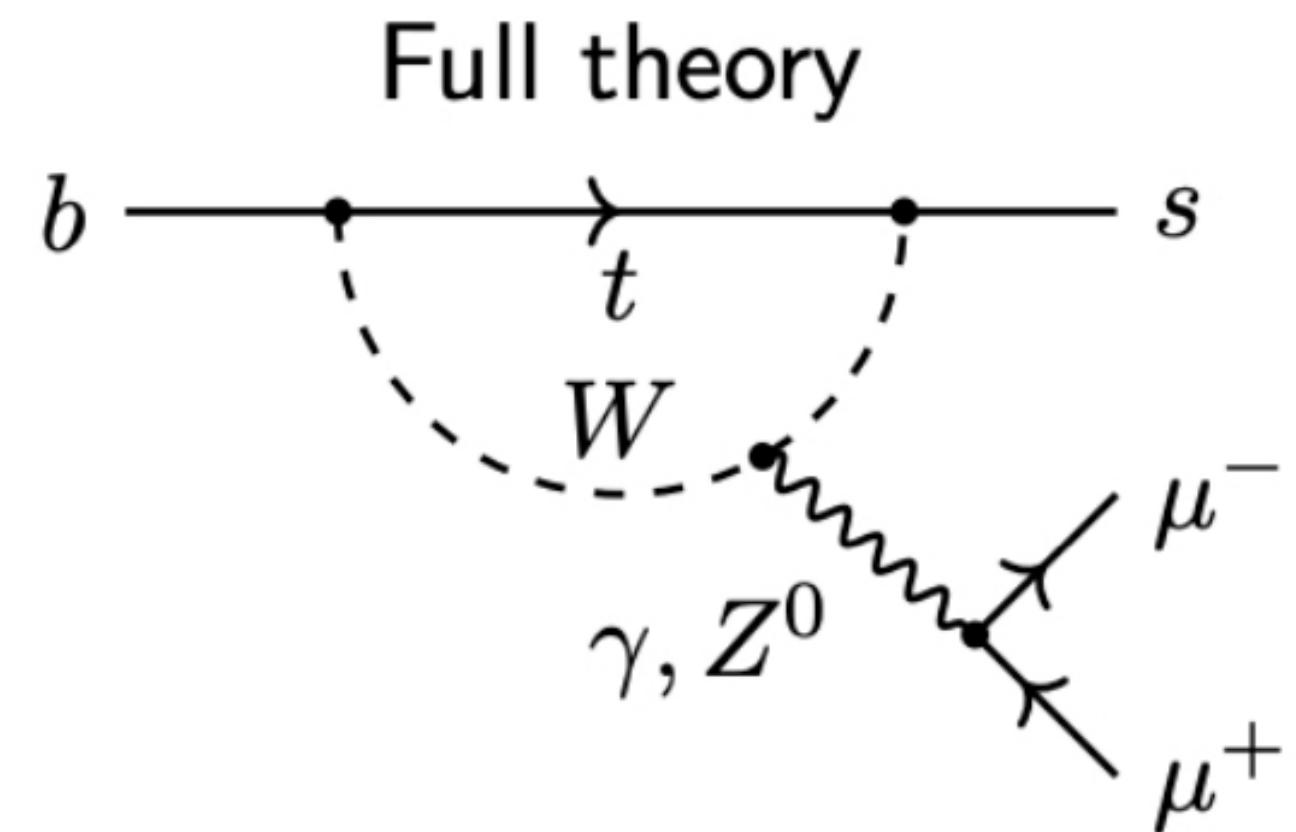


LFU tests in $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$



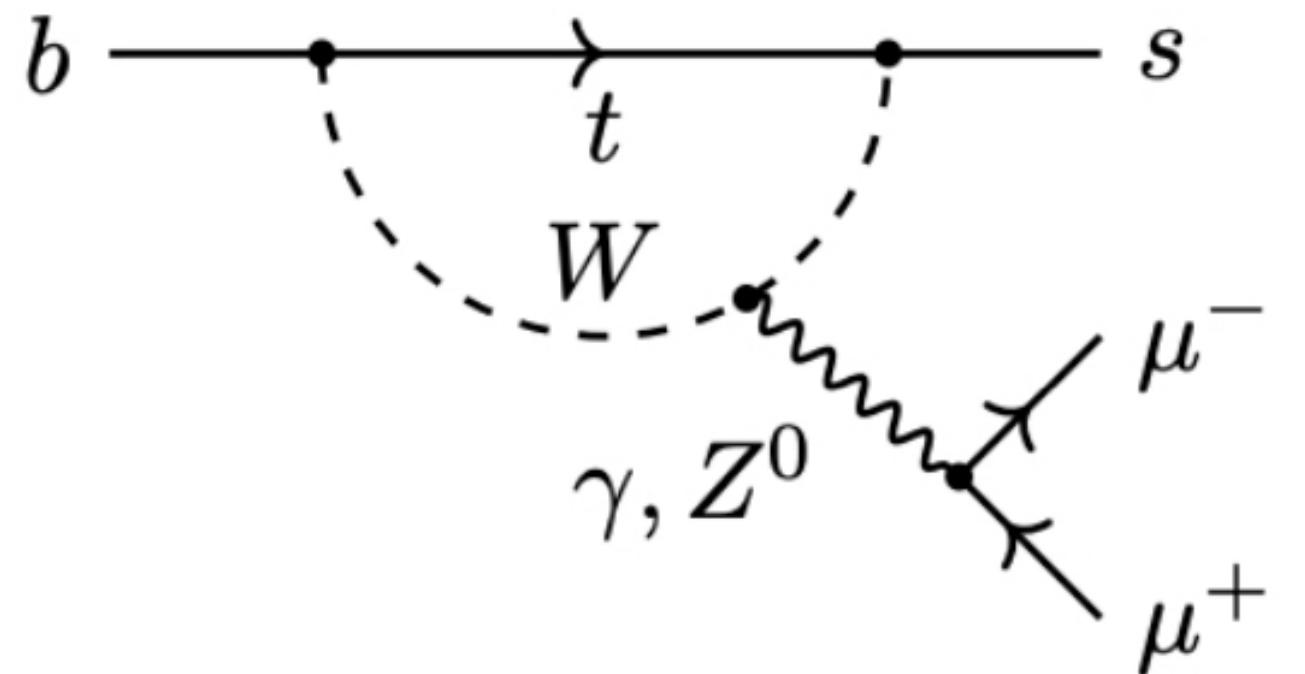
$$R_H = \frac{\int_{q_{min}^2}^{q_{max}^2} \frac{d\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow H \mu^+ \mu^-)}{dq^2} dq^2}{\int_{q_{min}^2}^{q_{max}^2} \frac{d\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow H e^+ e^-)}{dq^2} dq^2} \stackrel{?}{\simeq} 1$$

$b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ phenomenology and sensitivity to NP



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Full theory



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

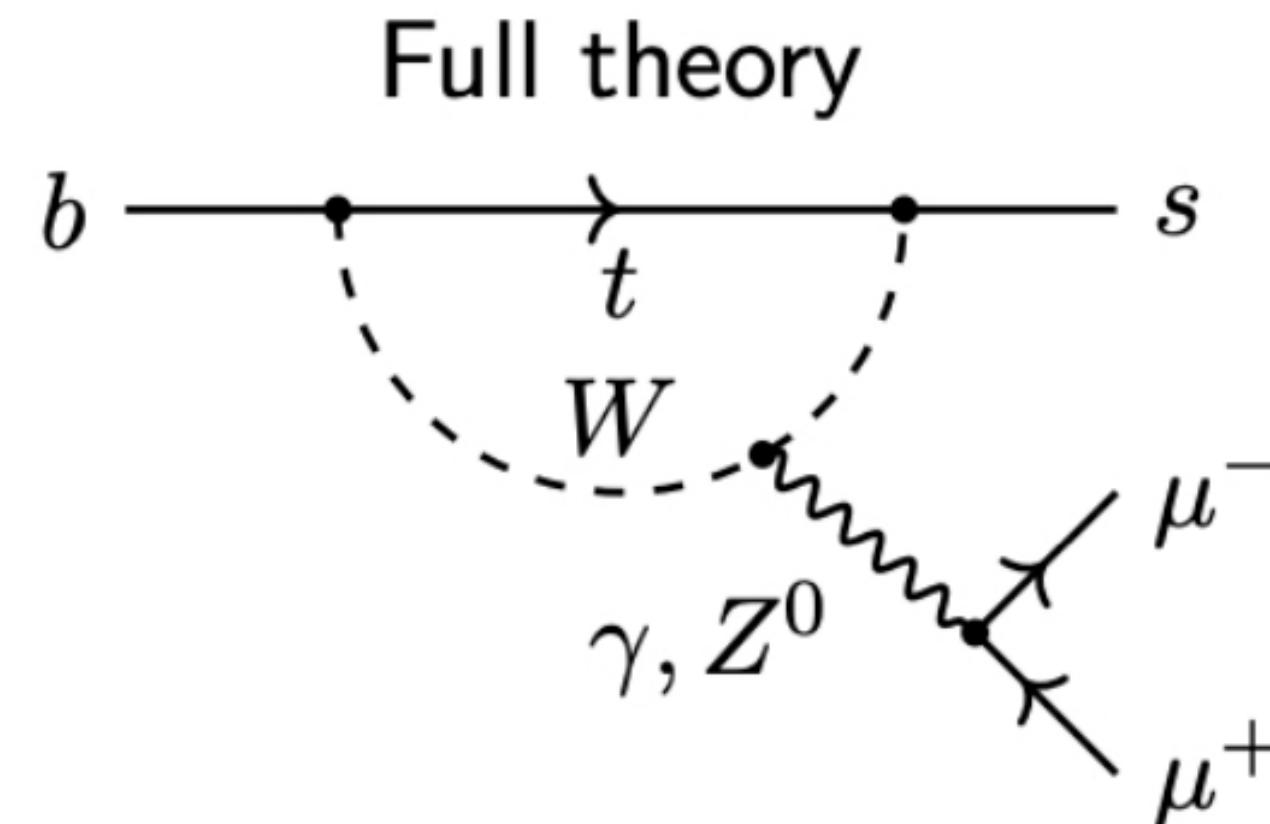
Effective description

Feynman diagram illustrating the effective description of $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ decay. A b quark (solid line) decays into a local operator \mathcal{C}_i (represented by a grey circle), which then decays into a s quark (solid line) and a muon (μ^-).

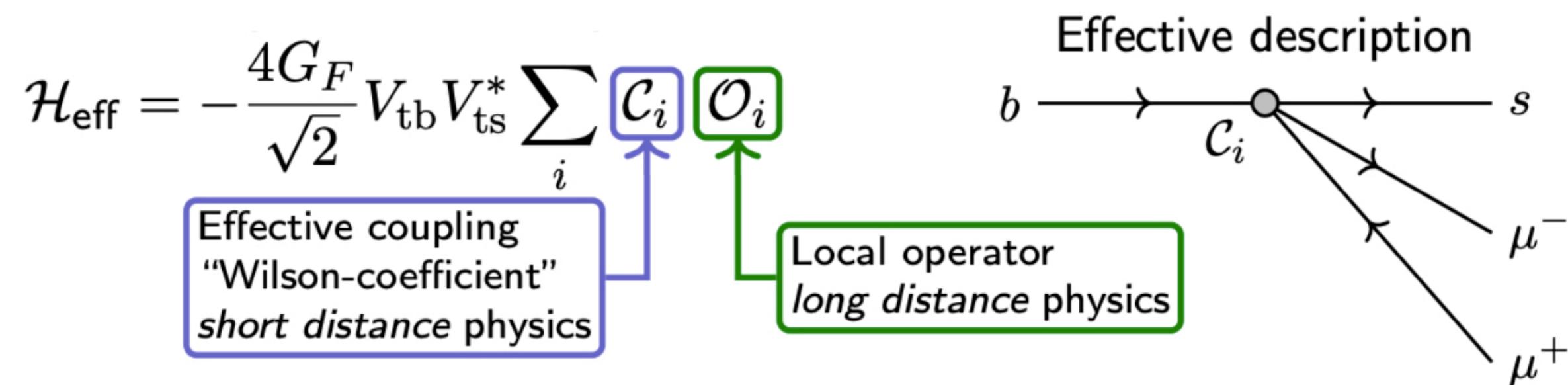
Effective coupling
"Wilson-coefficient"
short distance physics

Local operator
long distance physics

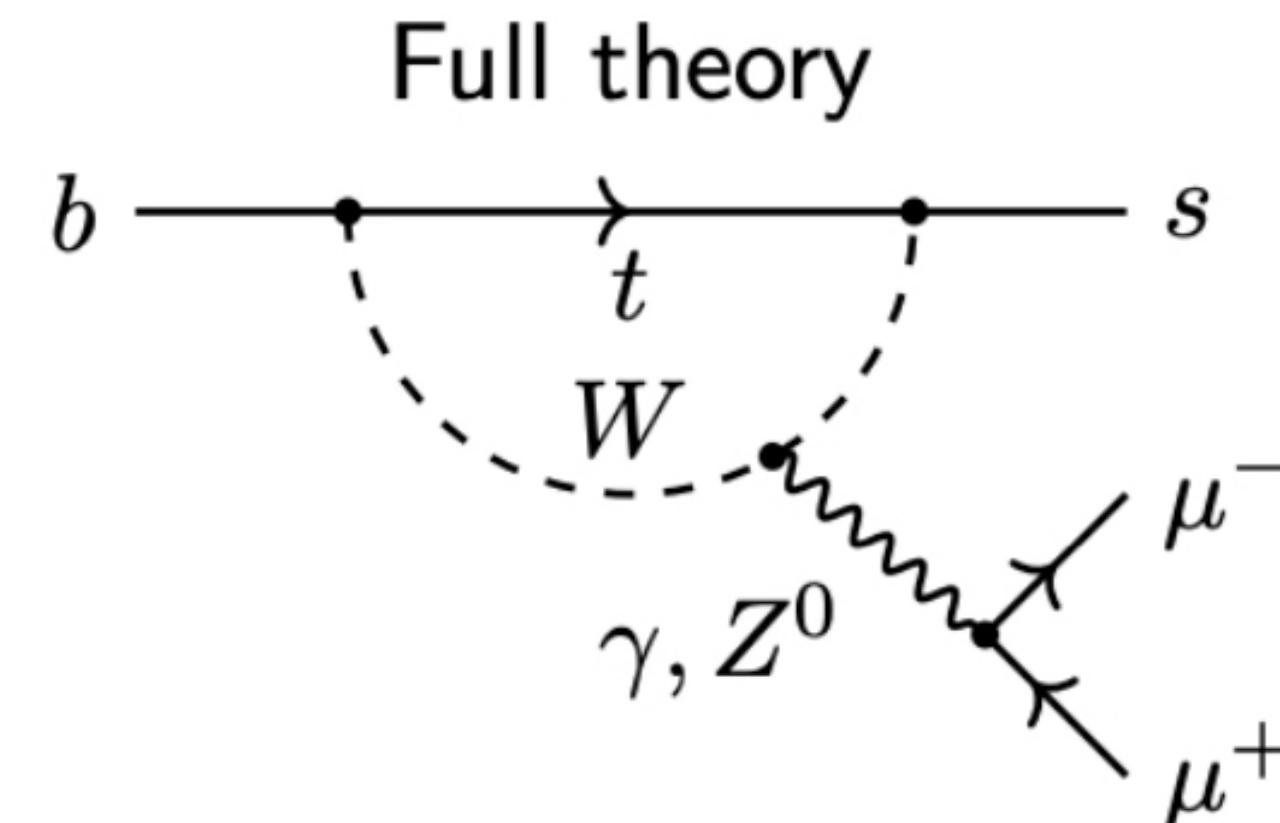
$b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ phenomenology and sensitivity to NP



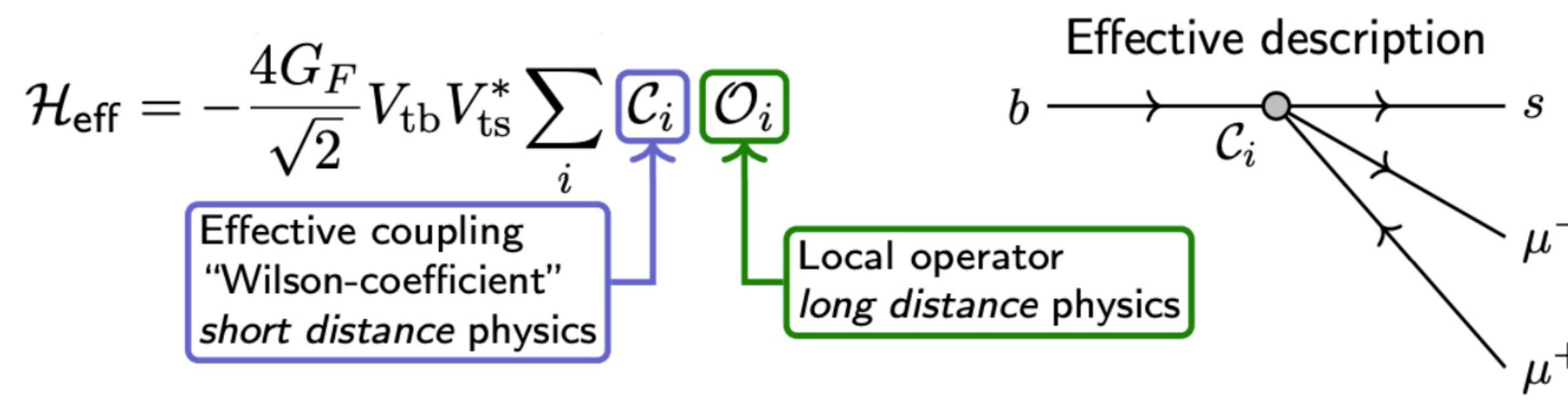
V-A (EW penguin)	dipole (e.m. penguin)	scalar, pseudo-scalar
$\mathcal{O}_{9,10}^{(\prime)} =$ $\mathcal{O}_9^{(\prime)} = (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_{L(R)} b)(\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu \ell)$ $\mathcal{O}_{10}^{(\prime)} = (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_{L(R)} b)(\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \ell)$	$\mathcal{O}_7^{(\prime)} =$ $\mathcal{O}_7^{(\prime)} = \frac{m_b}{e} (\bar{s}\sigma_{\mu\nu} P_{R(L)} b) F^{\mu\nu}$	$\mathcal{O}_{S,P}^{(\prime)} =$ $\mathcal{O}_S^{(\prime)} = \bar{s}P_{R(L)} b \bar{\ell}\ell$ $\mathcal{O}_P^{(\prime)} = \bar{s}P_{R(L)} b \bar{\ell}\gamma_5 \ell$



$b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ phenomenology and sensitivity to NP



V-A (EW penguin)	dipole (e.m. penguin)	scalar, pseudo-scalar
$b_{L(R)}$	$b_{R(L)}$	$b_{R(L)}$
$\mathcal{O}_{9,10}^{(\prime)} =$	$\mathcal{O}_7^{(\prime)} =$	$\mathcal{O}_{S,P}^{(\prime)} =$
$s_{L(R)}$	$s_{L(R)}$	$s_{L(R)}$
$\ell_{L,R}$	γ	$\ell_{R,L}$
$\mathcal{O}_9^{(\prime)} = (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_{L(R)} b)(\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu \ell)$	$\mathcal{O}_7^{(\prime)} = \frac{m_b}{e}(\bar{s}\sigma_{\mu\nu} P_{R(L)} b)F^{\mu\nu}$	$\mathcal{O}_S^{(\prime)} = \bar{s}P_{R(L)} b \bar{\ell}\ell$
$\mathcal{O}_{10}^{(\prime)} = (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_{L(R)} b)(\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \ell)$		$\mathcal{O}_P^{(\prime)} = \bar{s}P_{R(L)} b \bar{\ell}\gamma_5 \ell$



Flavour-violating coupling

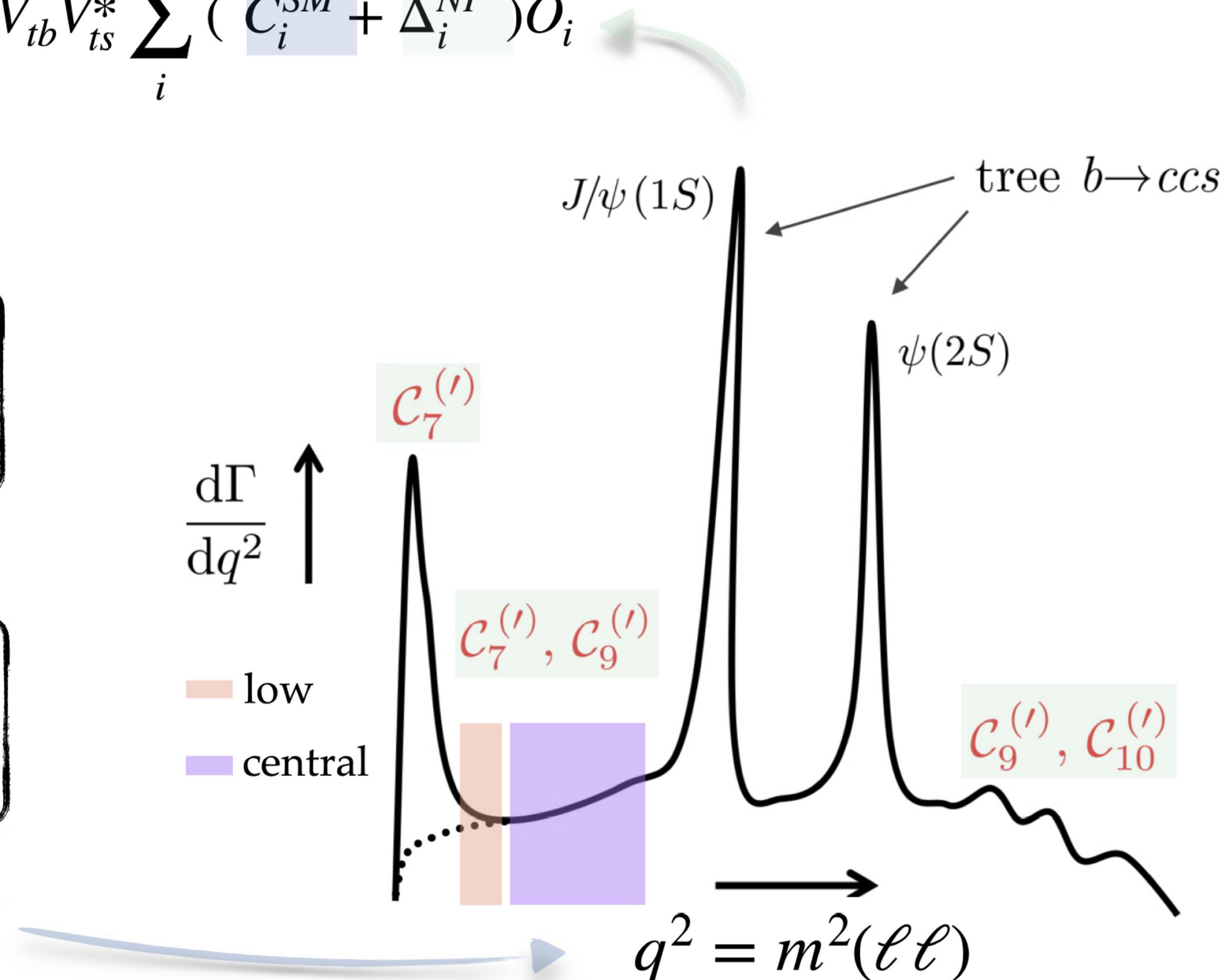
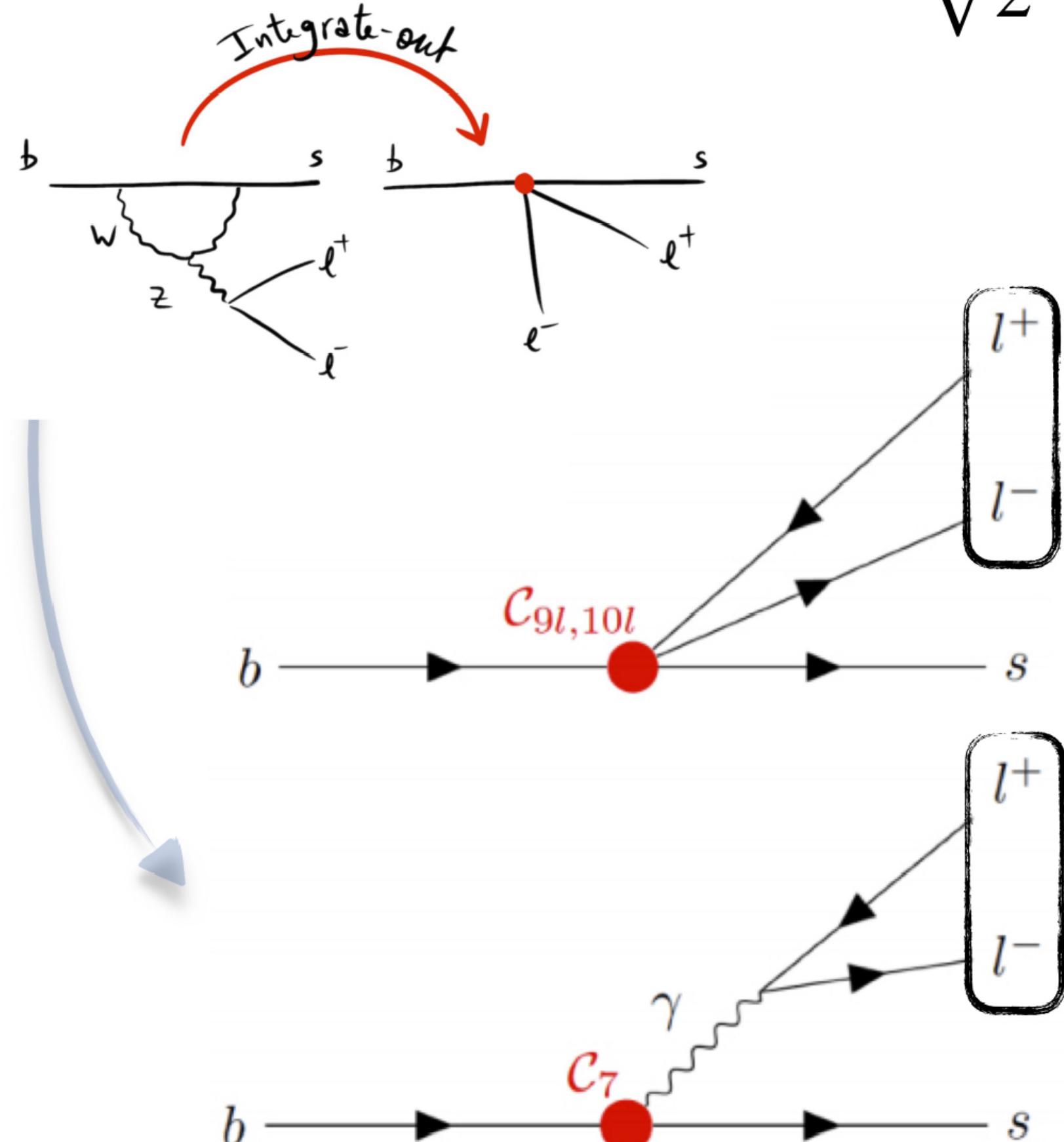
$$\Delta\mathcal{H}_{\text{NP}} = \frac{c}{\Lambda_{\text{NP}}^2} \mathcal{O}_i$$

NP scale

Coupling	$b \rightarrow s\gamma$	$B \rightarrow \mu\mu$	$b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$
$\mathcal{C}_7^{(\prime)}$	✓		✓
$\mathcal{C}_9^{(\prime)}$		✓	✓
$\mathcal{C}_{10}^{(\prime)}$		✓	✓
$\mathcal{C}_S^{(\prime)}$		✓	
$\mathcal{C}_P^{(\prime)}$		✓	

$b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ phenomenology and sensitivity to NP

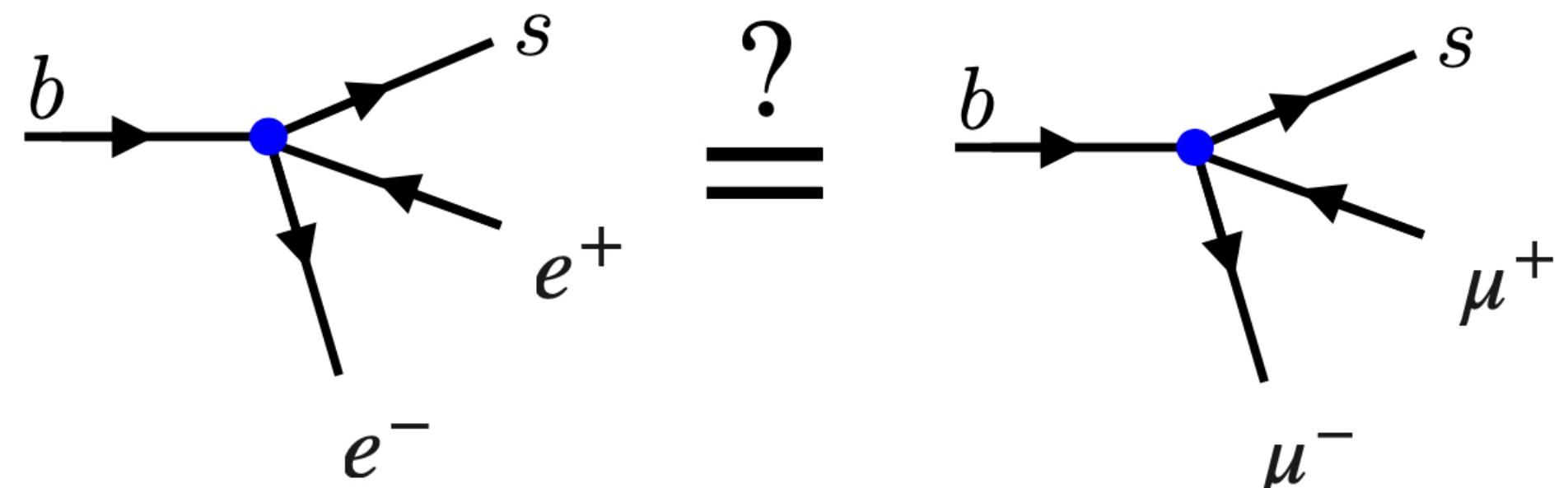
$$H_{eff} = -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_i (C_i^{SM} + \Delta_i^{NP}) O_i$$



.... : with PseudoScalar H_s in final state, K_s^0, K^+
 — : with Vector H_s in final state, $K^{*0}, K^{*+}, \phi, \dots$

Lepton Flavour Universality in $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$: the actors at LHCb

$$R_H = \frac{\int_{q_{min}^2}^{q_{max}^2} \frac{d\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow H\mu^+\mu^-)}{dq^2} dq^2}{\int_{q_{min}^2}^{q_{max}^2} \frac{d\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow He^+e^-)}{dq^2} dq^2} \stackrel{?}{\simeq} 1$$

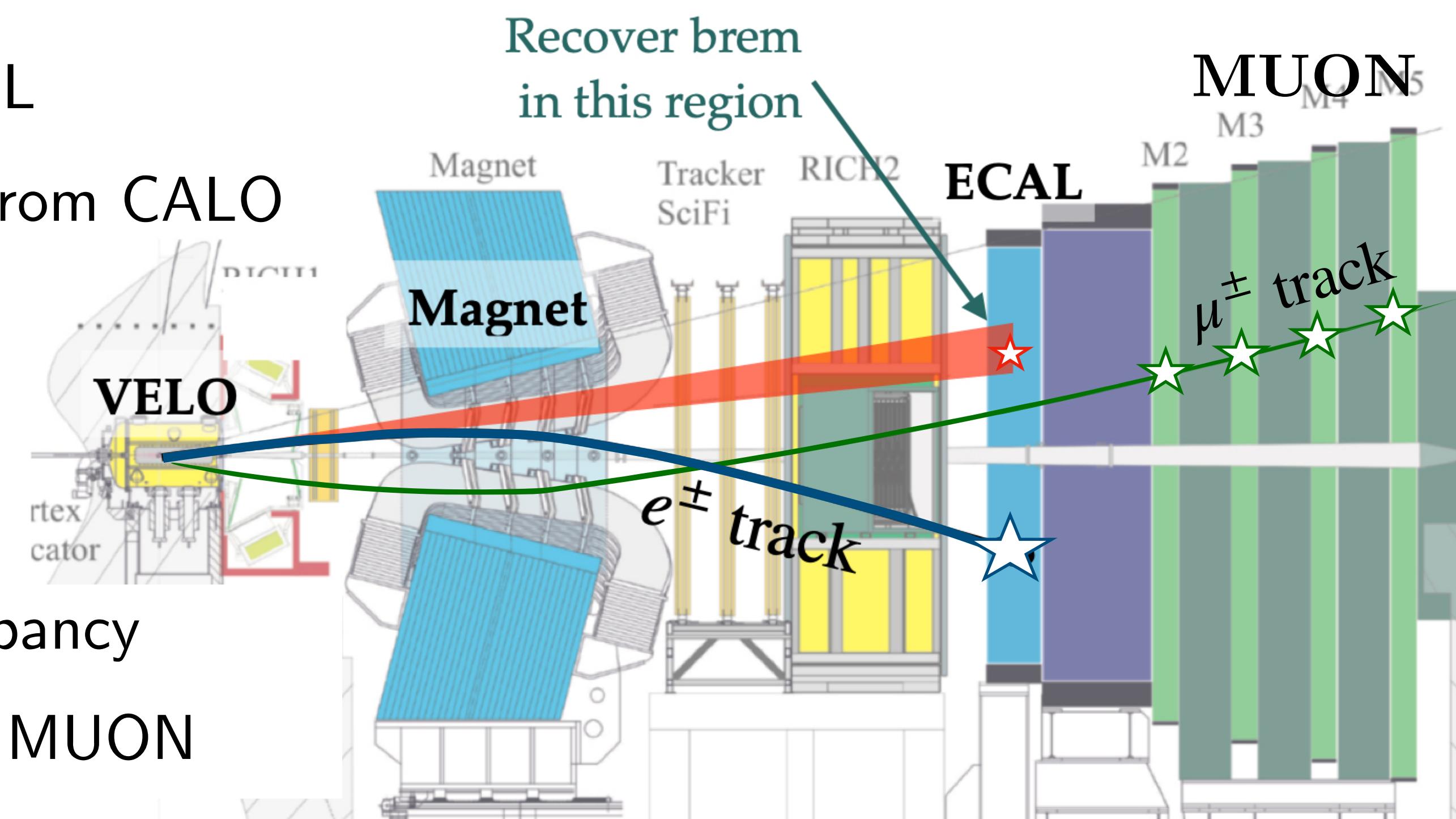


► Electrons at LHCb

- ◆ Emits **bremsstrahlung** γ , high occupancy in ECAL
- ◆ **ECAL tight trigger thresholds** and ID mostly from CALO
- ◆ ϵ_{reco} and $\frac{\sigma_p}{p}$ worse than μ

► Muons at LHCb

- ◆ Negligible bremsstrahlung, MUON has low occupancy
- ◆ Muon soft trigger thresholds and ID mostly from MUON
- ◆ Excellent ϵ_{reco} and $\frac{\sigma_p}{p}$



Overall, a ratio of $\sim 3:1$ of reconstructed muons to electrons in LHCb in Run1/2 data taking

Pattern of deviation from LHCb in LFU tests

- ▶ Coherent pattern of tension to SM in LFU tests with $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ transition:

◆ R_X ratios : $\frac{\mu}{e}$ decay rates

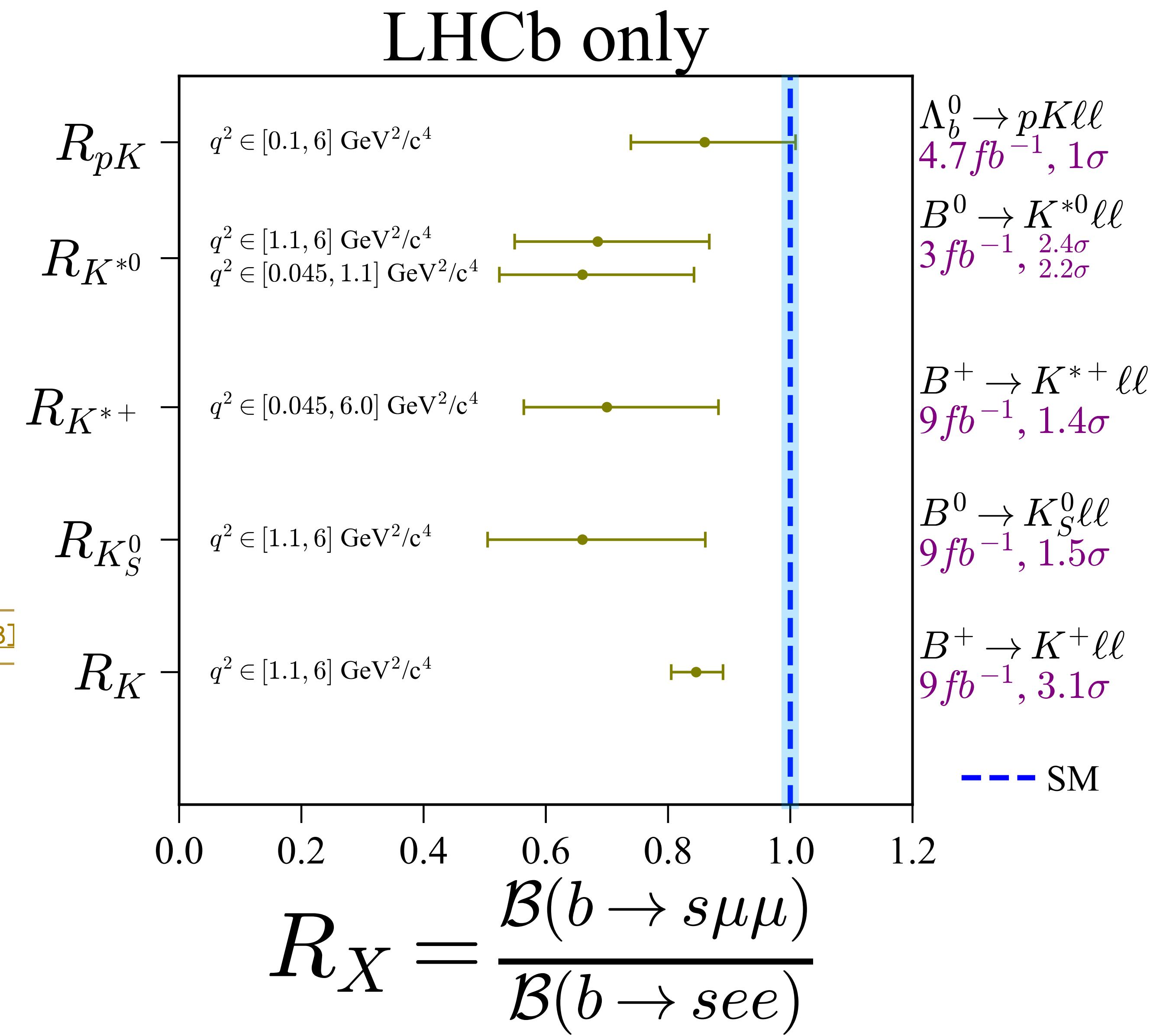
- ▶ R_X ratio extremely well predicted in SM

◆ Cancellation of hadronic uncertainties at 10^{-4}

◆ $\mathcal{O}(1\%)$ QED corrections [\[Bordone et al arXiv:1605.07633\]](#)

◆ Experimentally only statistically limited

- ▶ Any departure from unity is a clear sign of new physics



(*) Measurements from Belle excluded (larger statistical uncertainties)

How is R_X measured in LHCb?

$$R_X = \frac{\mathcal{N}_{B \rightarrow X \mu^+ \mu^-}^{q_{bin}^2}}{\mathcal{N}_{B \rightarrow X J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}} \cdot \frac{\mathcal{N}_{B \rightarrow X J/\psi (\rightarrow e^+ e^-)}^{q_{bin}^2}}{\mathcal{N}_{B \rightarrow X e^+ e^-}^{q_{bin}^2}} \cdot \frac{\mathcal{E}_{B \rightarrow X e^+ e^-}^{q_{bin}^2}}{\mathcal{E}_{B \rightarrow X J/\psi (\rightarrow e^+ e^-)}} \cdot \frac{\mathcal{E}_{B \rightarrow X J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}^{q_{bin}^2}}{\mathcal{E}_{B \rightarrow X \mu^+ \mu^-}^{q_{bin}^2}}$$

mass fits corrected simulation samples

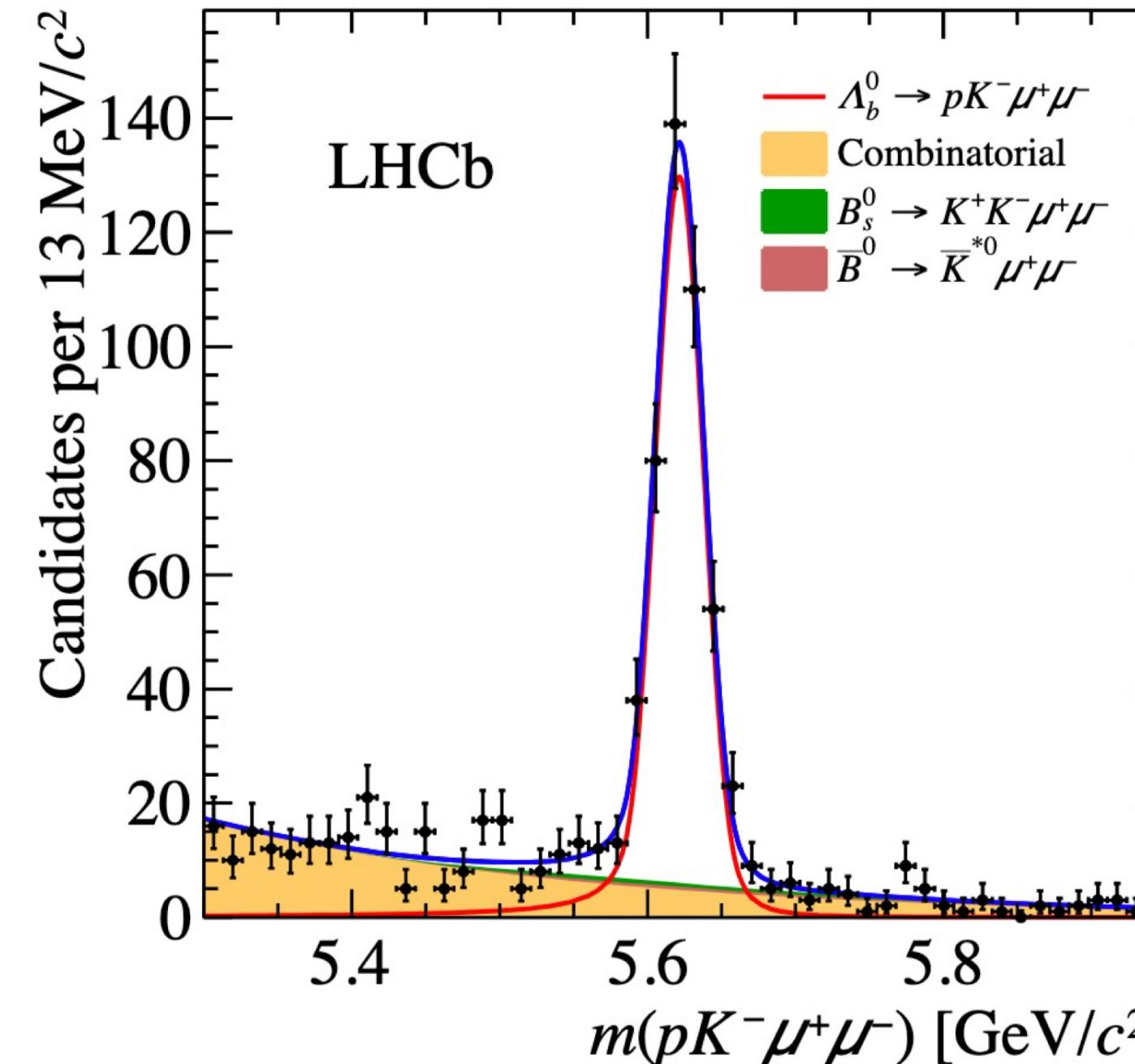
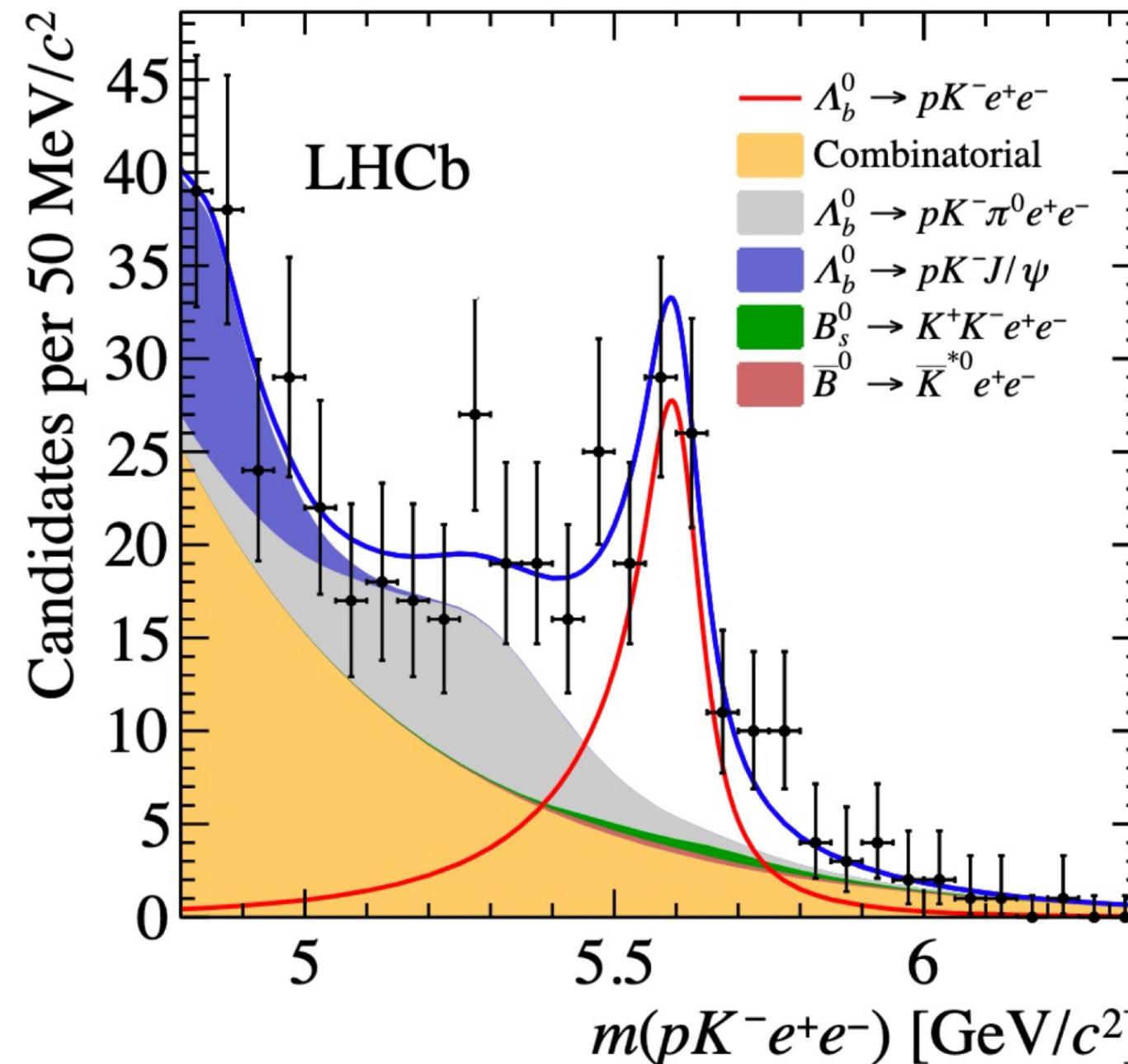
- \mathcal{N} from mass fits, ε evaluated from data-driven corrected simulation
 - $B \rightarrow XJ/\psi(\ell\ell)$: normalisation and ε calibration mode
 - ◆ Take advantage of $\frac{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu)}{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow ee)} = 1$ for double-ratio and $\sigma_{syst}^\varepsilon$ cancellation in $\varepsilon(\mu)/\varepsilon(e)$
 - $\varepsilon(e/\mu)$ goodness of calibration tested ► Backgrounds vs q^2 specific analysis dependent
 - ◆ Measuring $r(J/\psi) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow XJ/\psi(\mu\mu))}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow XJ/\psi(ee))} = 1$?
 - ◆ Measuring $R(\psi(2s)) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X\psi(2S)(\mu\mu))}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow X\psi(2S)(ee))} = 1$? [using the double-ratio approach]

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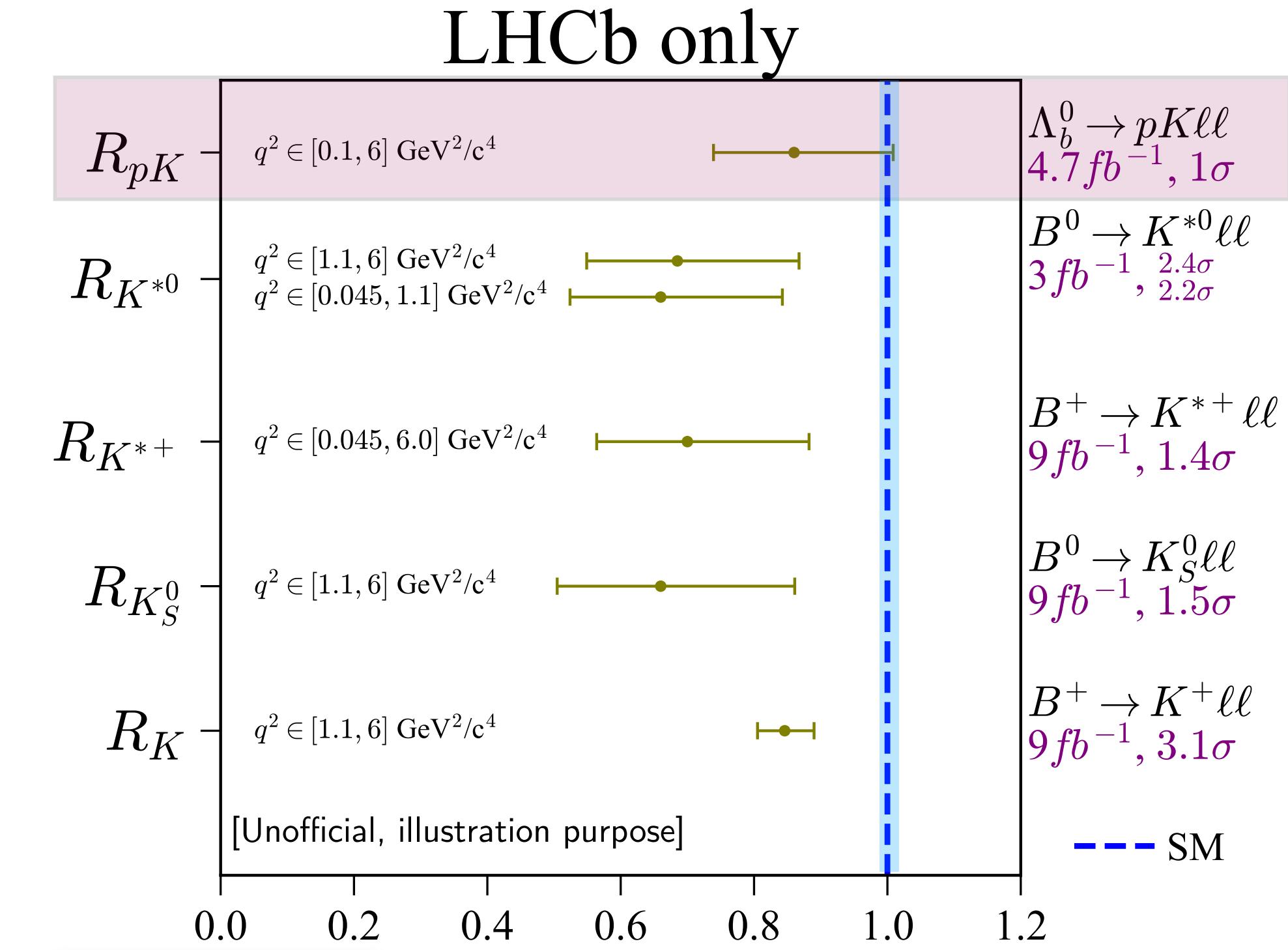
[JHEP, 2020, 40 (2020)]

R_{pK} ($\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK\ell\ell$)

► LHCb Run1 (3fb^{-1}) + 2016 (1.7fb^{-1}) data



- First LFU test in baryonic decays (unique at LHCb)
- Systematics dominated by background modelling
- $q^2 \in [0.1, 6.0] \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$, $m(pK) < 2400 \text{ MeV}/c^2$



Validation

- $r_{J/\psi}^{-1} = 0.96 \pm 0.05$ (stat. \oplus syst.)
- $R_{\psi(2S)}$ compatible with unity within 1σ)

Result

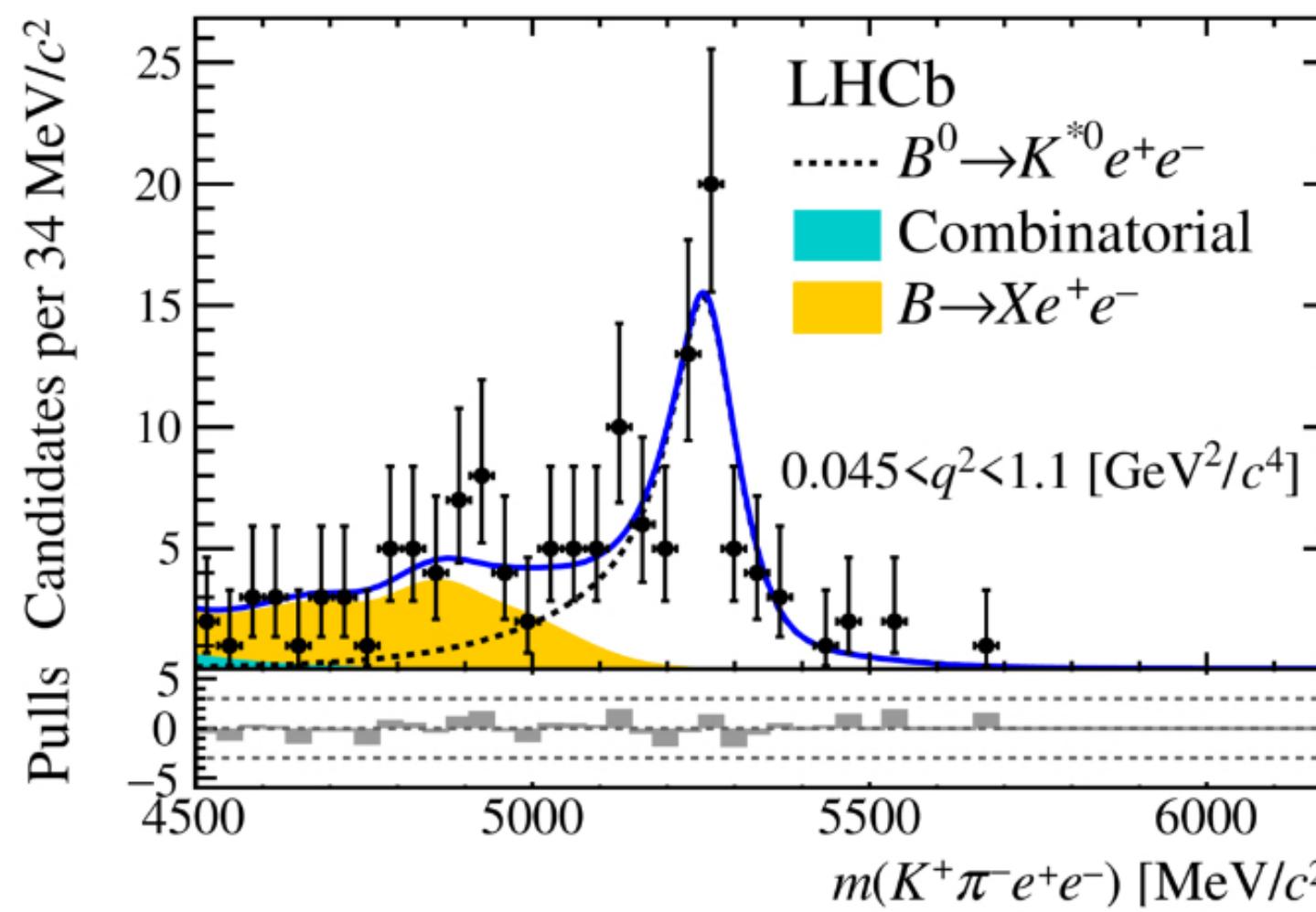
- $R_{pK} = 0.86^{+0.14}_{-0.11}$ (stat.) ± 0.05 (syst.)
- Agreement with SM at $< 1\sigma$ level

Pattern of deviation from LHCb in LFU tests

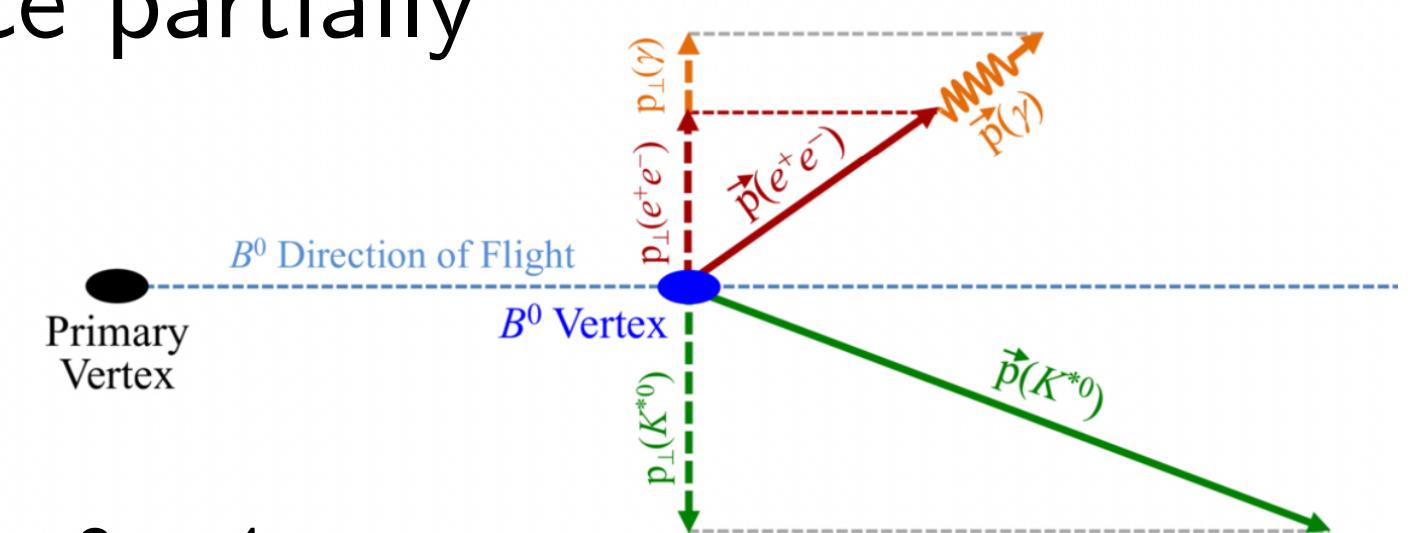
[JHEP08(2017)055]

$R_{K^{*0}}$ ($B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \ell \ell$)

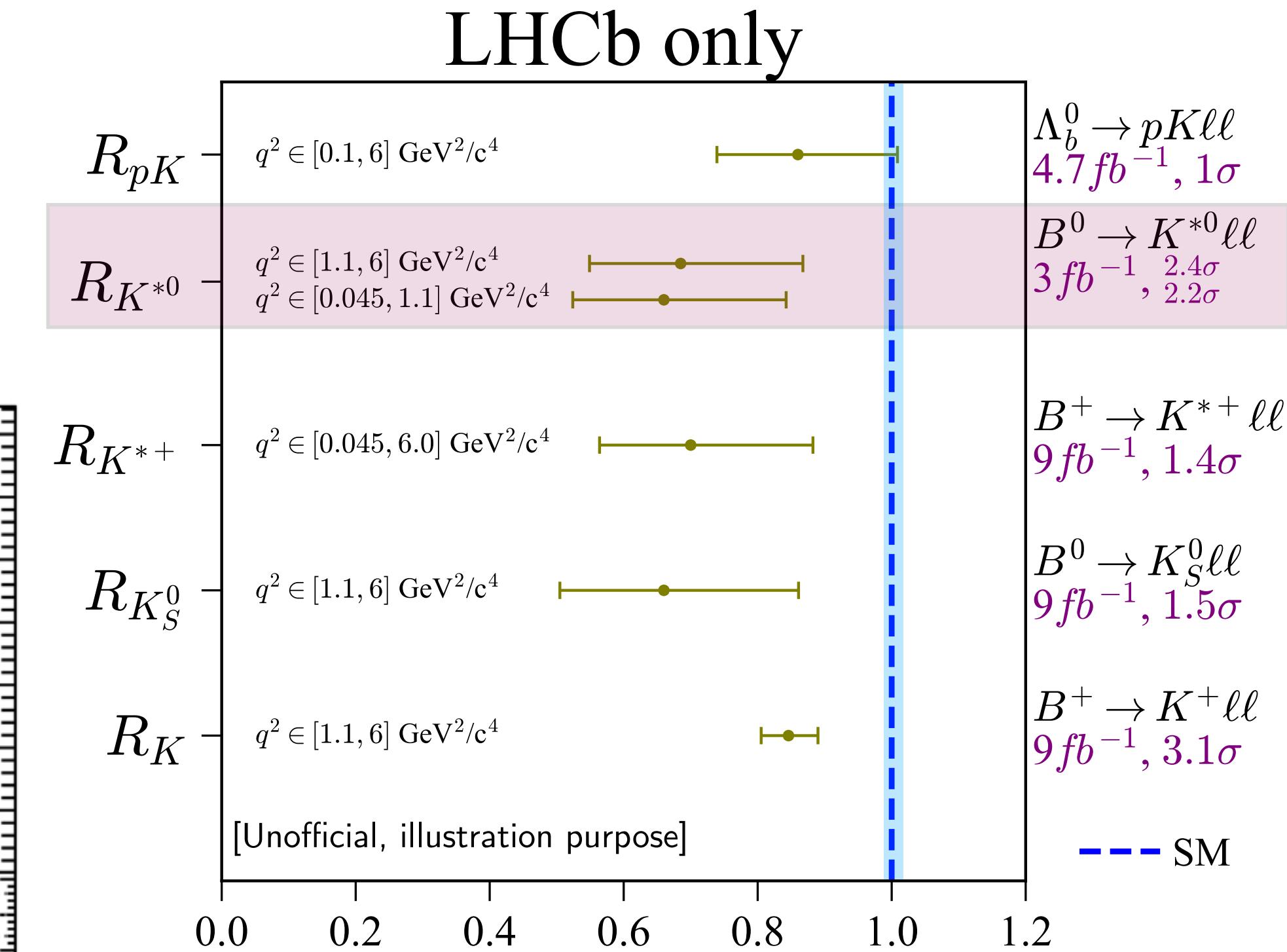
► LHCb Run1 (3fb^{-1}) data used



- Dedicated kinematic cut to reduce partially reconstructed background
- Measurement in 2 q^2 regions
 - ♦ low $q^2 \in [0.045, 1.1] \text{ GeV}^2/\text{c}^4$
 - ♦ central $q^2 \in [1.1, 6.0] \text{ GeV}^2/\text{c}^4$



$$R_{K^{*0}} = \frac{\text{yield}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \ell \ell)}{\text{yield}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+e^-)}$$



Validation

- $r_{J/\psi} = 1.043 \pm 0.006 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.045 \text{ (syst.)}$
- $R_{\psi(2S)}$ compatible with unity within 1σ

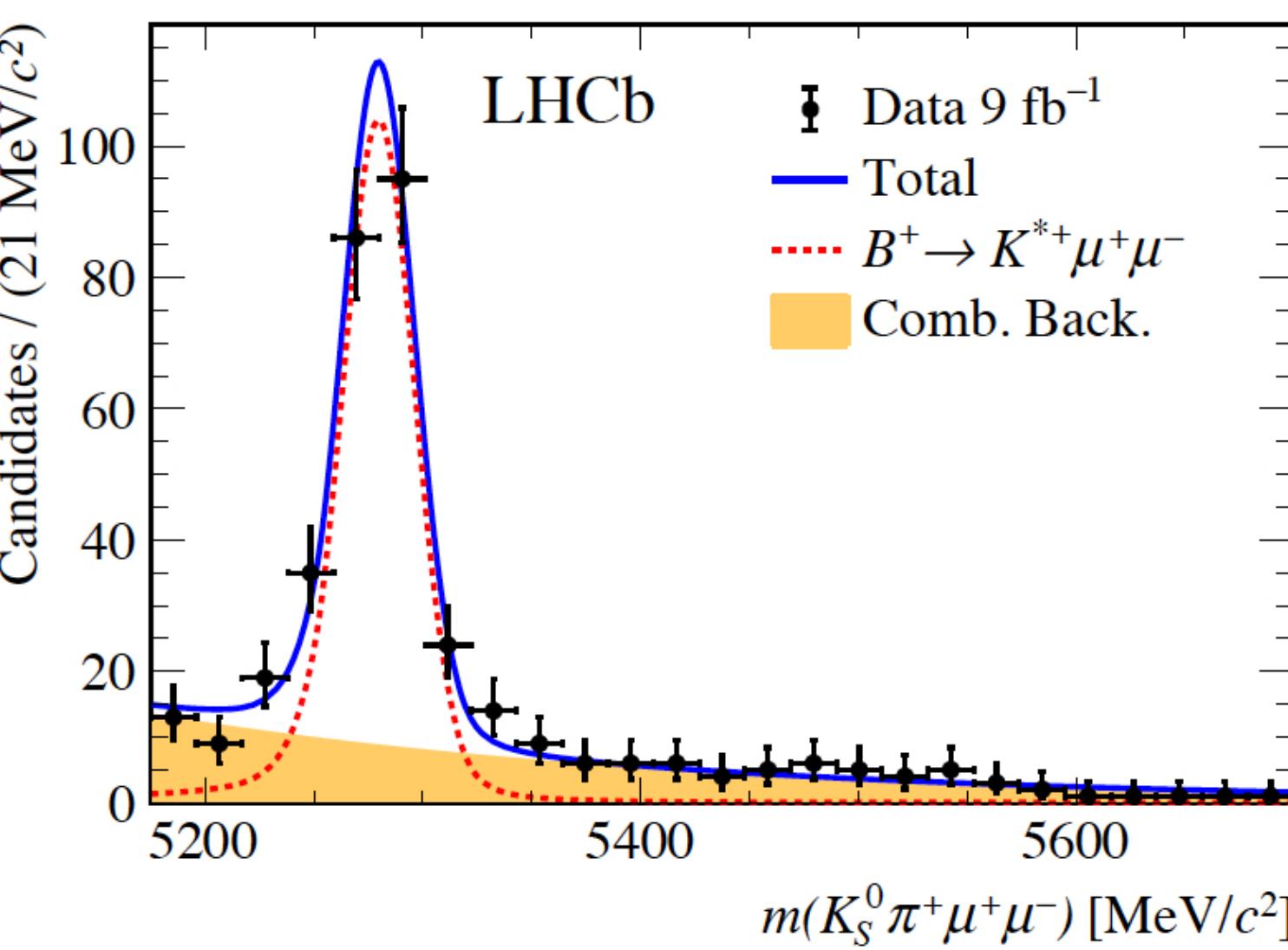
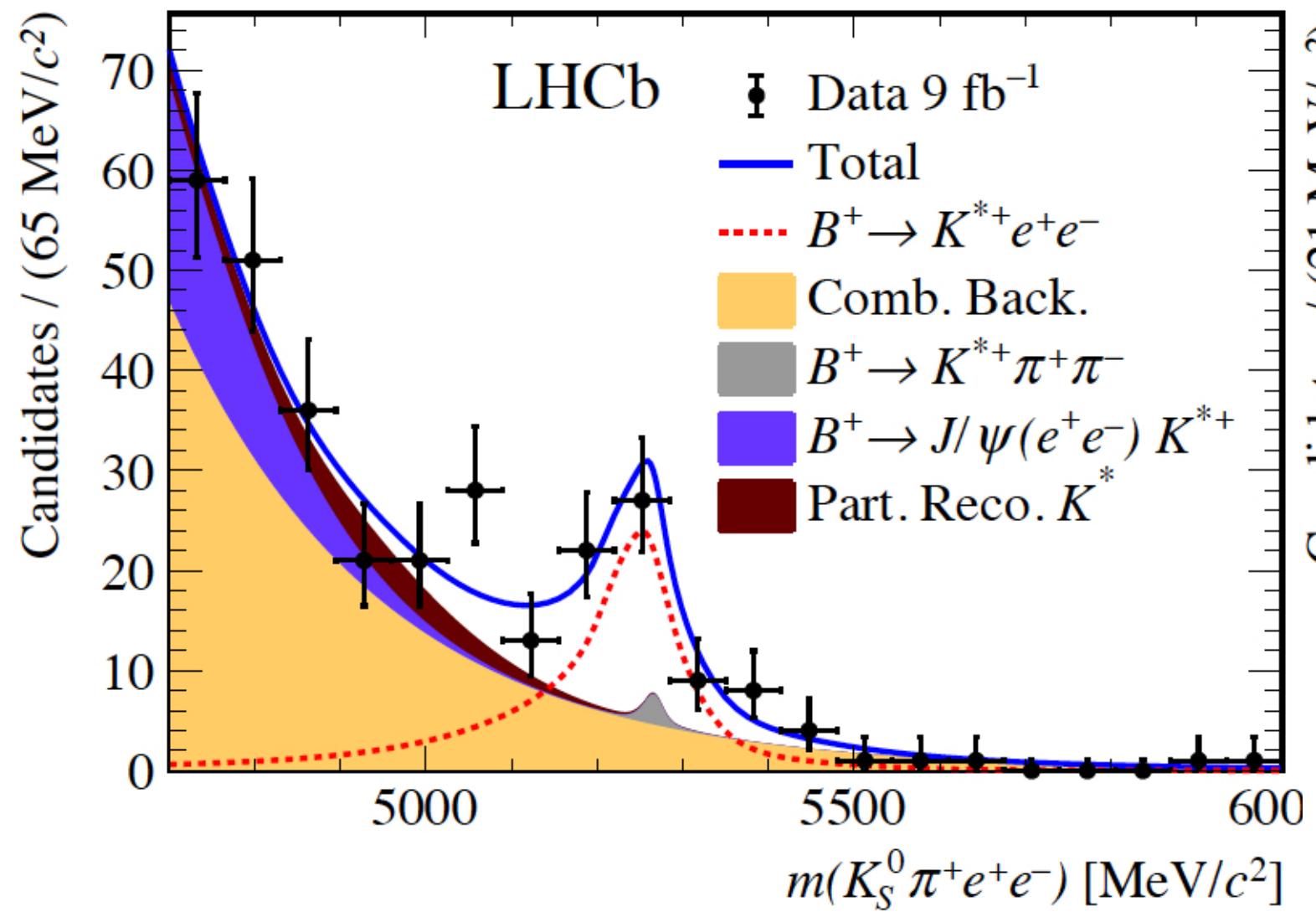
Result

$$R_{K^{*0}} = \begin{cases} 2.2\sigma & 0.66^{+0.11}_{-0.07} \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (syst.), low} \\ 2.4\sigma & 0.69^{+0.11}_{-0.07} \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.05 \text{ (syst.), central} \end{cases}$$

Pattern of deviation from LHCb in LFU tests

[Phys. Rev. Lett. 128 (2022) 191802]

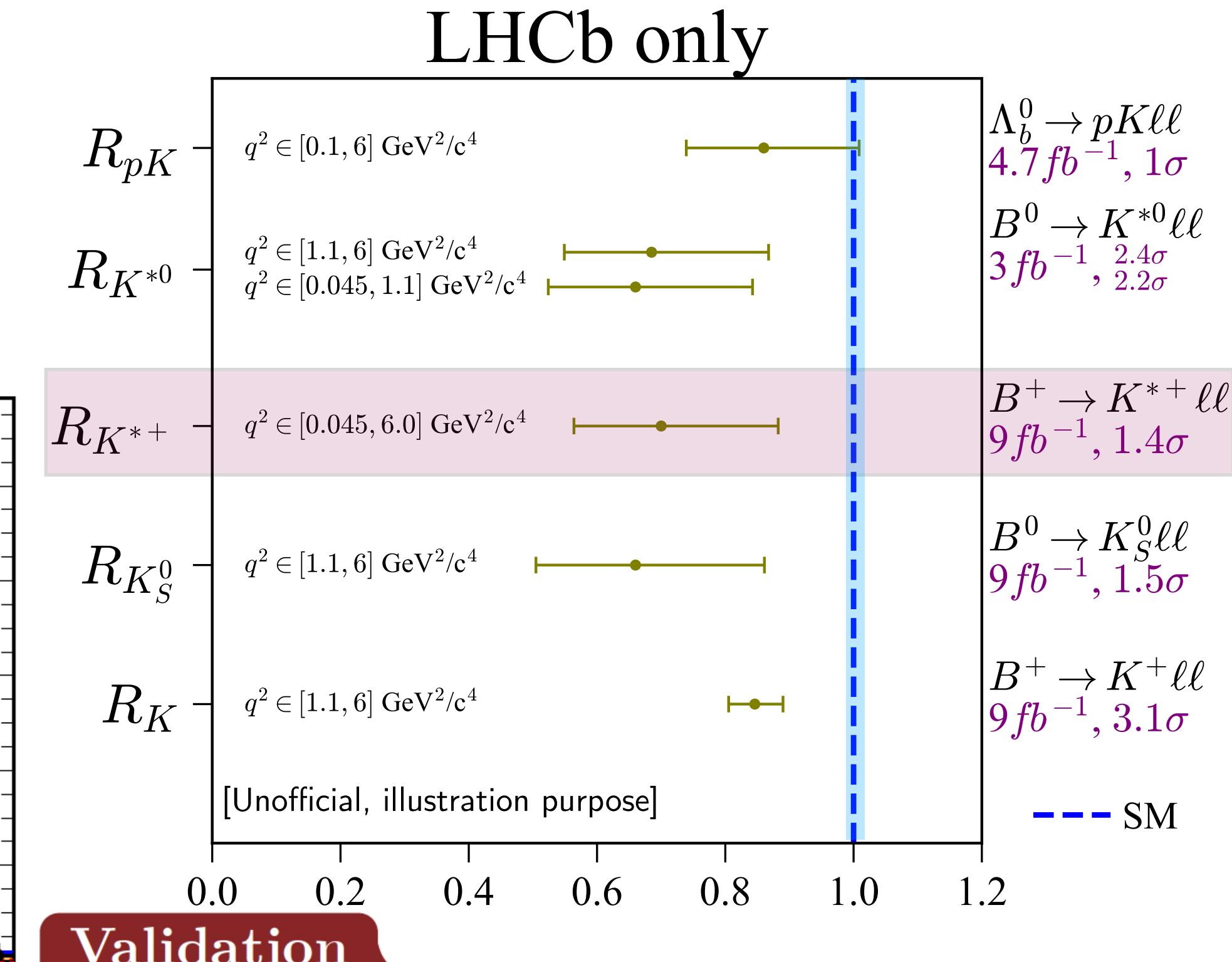
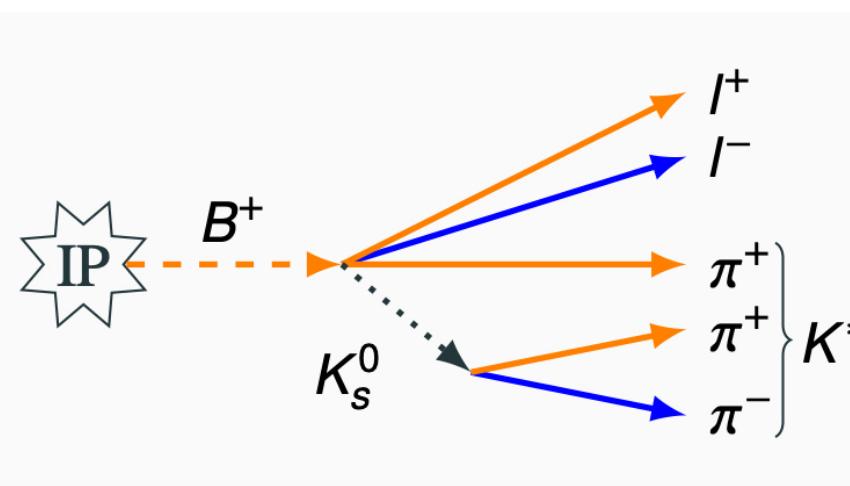
$R_{K^{*+}}$ ($B^+ \rightarrow K^{*+}(K_s\pi)\ell\ell$)
► All LHCb data used (9fb^{-1})



► $K_s^0(\rightarrow \pi\pi)$ in final states: 2/3 of them decays after the VELO

► First observation of $B^+ \rightarrow K^{*+}ee$

► $q^2 \in [0.045, 6.0] \text{ GeV}^2/\text{c}^4$



Validation

- $r_{J/\psi}^{-1} = 0.965 \pm 0.011(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.032(\text{syst.})$
- $R_{\psi(2S)}^{-1} = 1.017 \pm 0.045(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.023(\text{syst.})$

Result

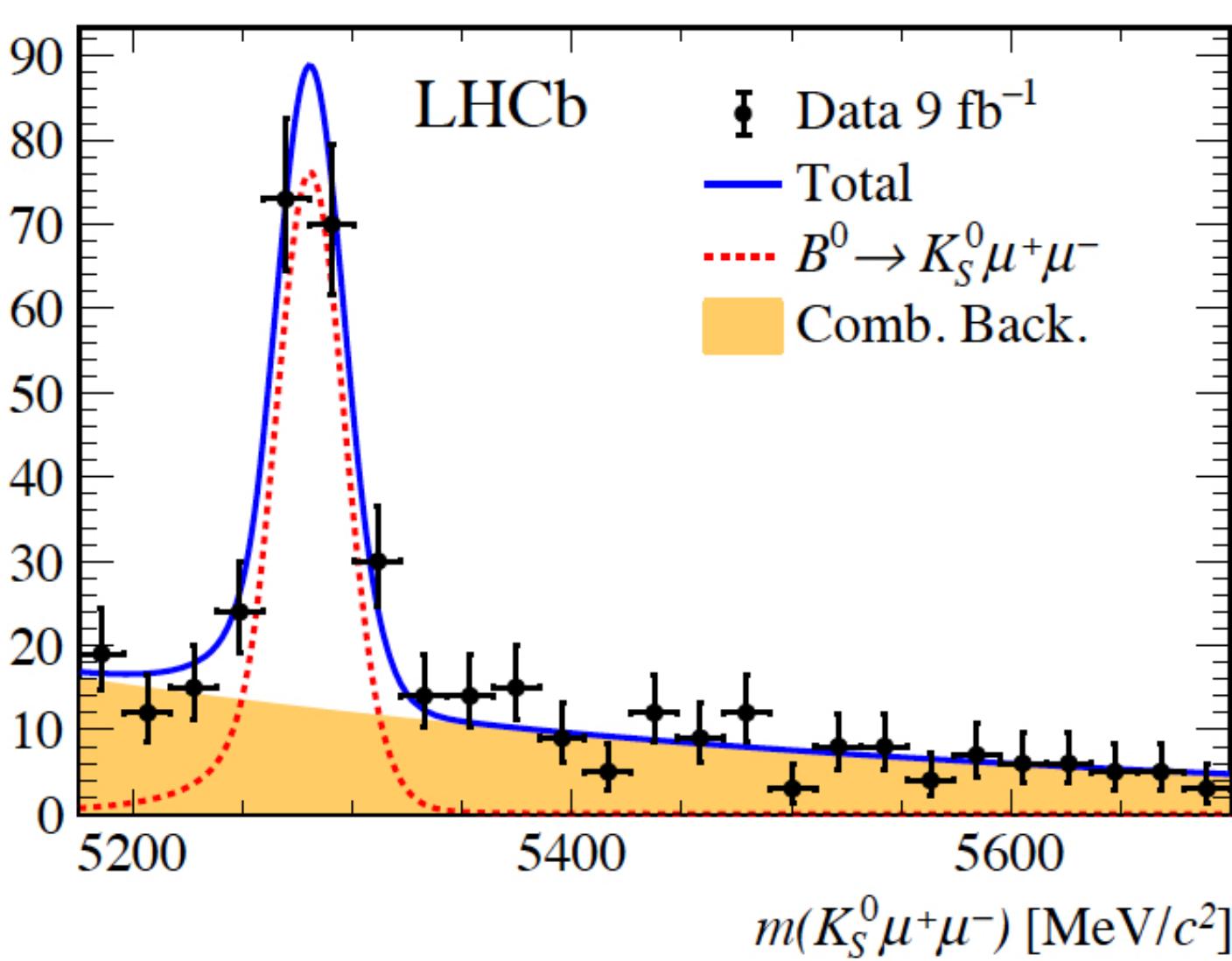
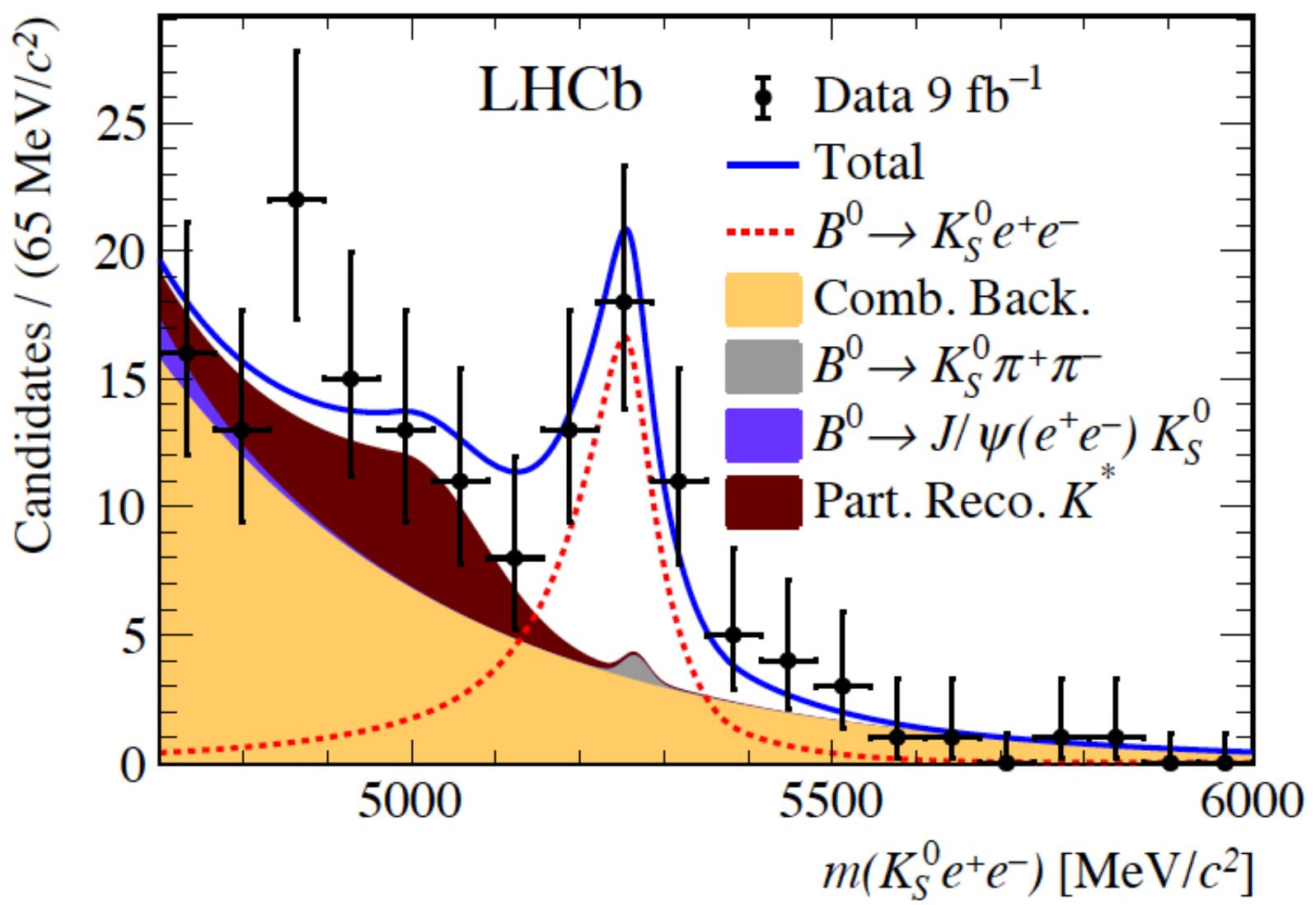
- $R_{K^{*+}} = 0.70^{+0.18}_{-0.13} (\text{stat.})^{+0.03}_{-0.04} (\text{syst.})$
- Agreement with SM at 1.4σ level

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R_{K_s} ($B^0 \rightarrow K_s^0 \ell \ell$)

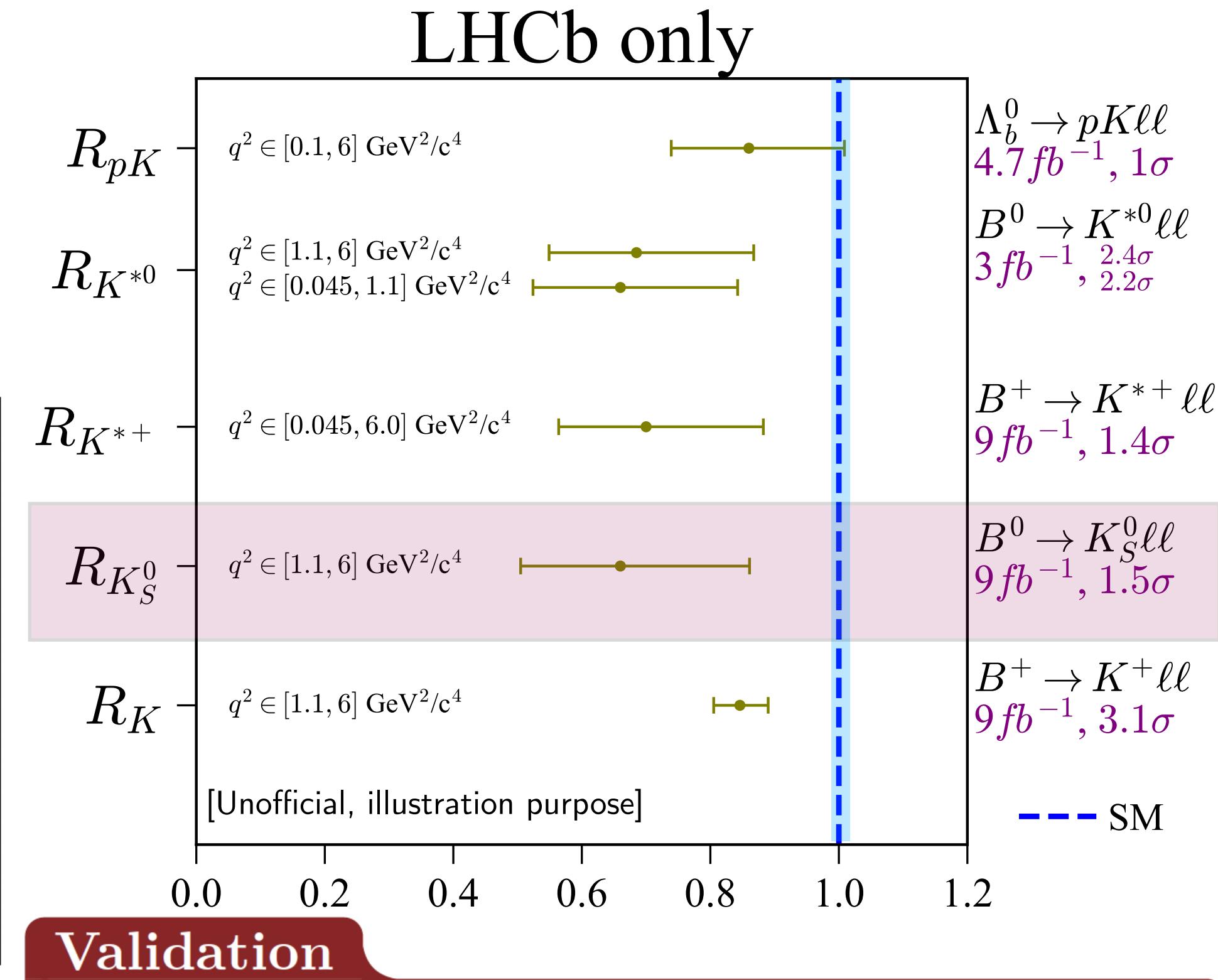
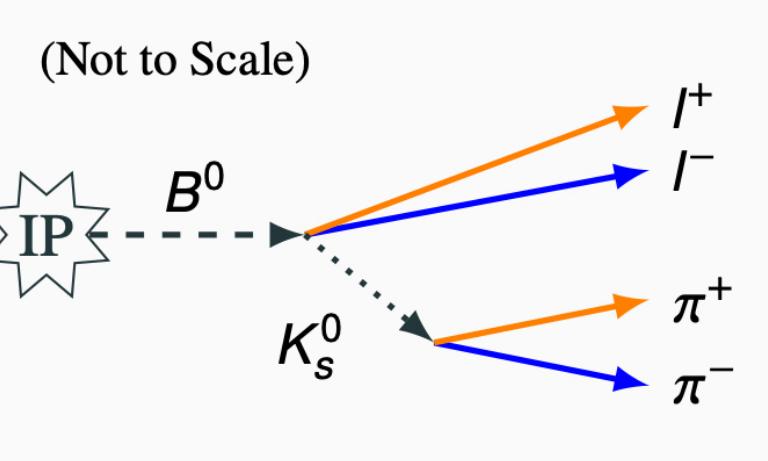
► All LHCb data used (9fb^{-1})



► $K_s^0(\rightarrow \pi\pi)$ in final states: 2/3 of them decays after the Velo

► First observation of $B^0 \rightarrow K_s^0 ee$

► $q^2 \in [1.0, 6.0] \text{ GeV}^2/\text{c}^4$



Validation

- $r_{J/\psi}^{-1} = 0.977 \pm 0.008(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.027(\text{syst.})$
- $R_{\psi(2S)}^{-1} = 1.014 \pm 0.030(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.020(\text{syst.})$

Result

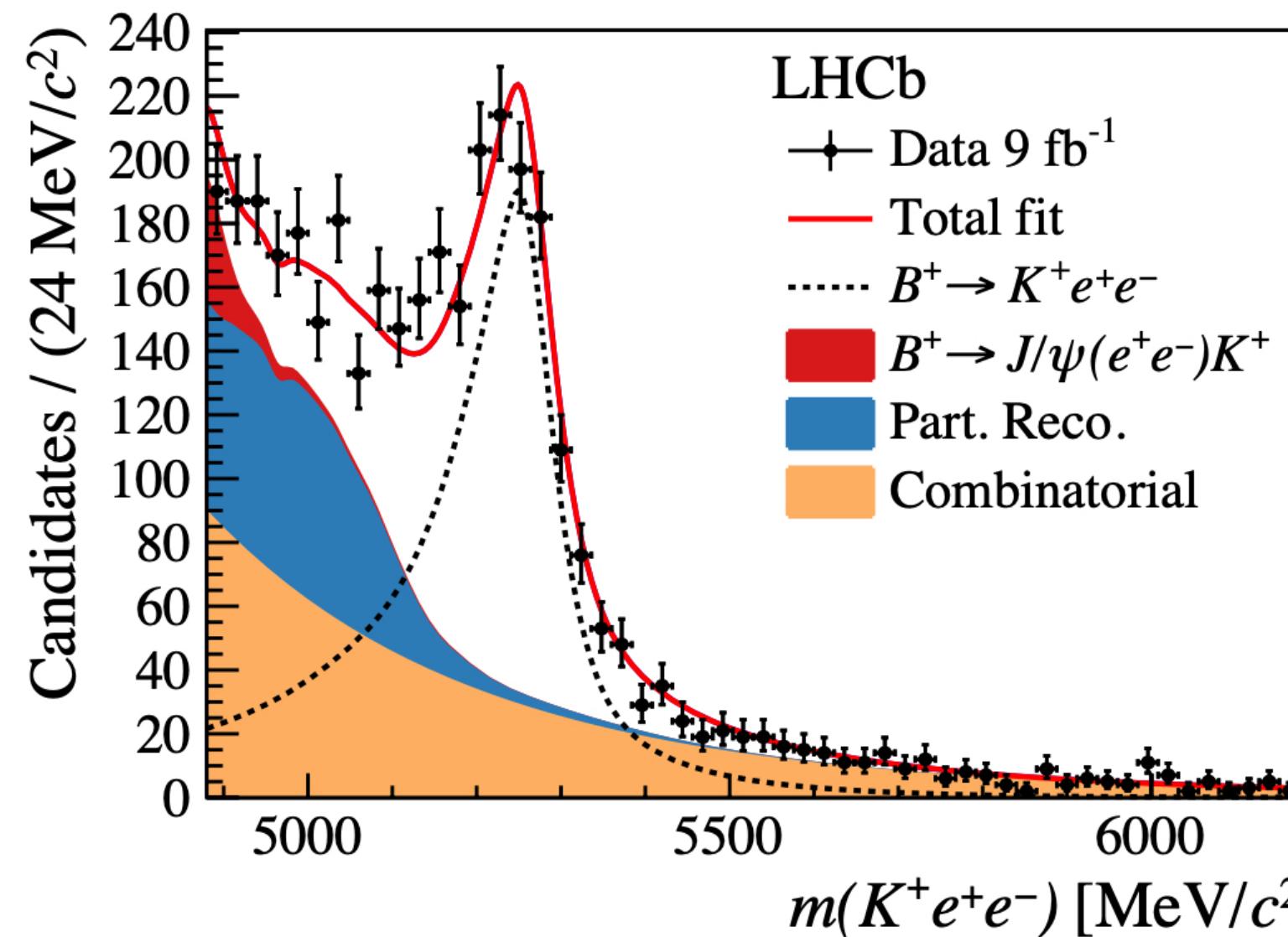
- $R_{K_S^0} = 0.66^{+0.20}_{-0.14} (\text{stat.})^{+0.02}_{-0.04} (\text{syst.})$
- Agreement with SM at 1.5σ level

Pattern of deviation from LHCb in LFU tests

[Nat. Phys. 18, 277-282 (2022)]

R_{K^+} ($B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \ell \ell$)

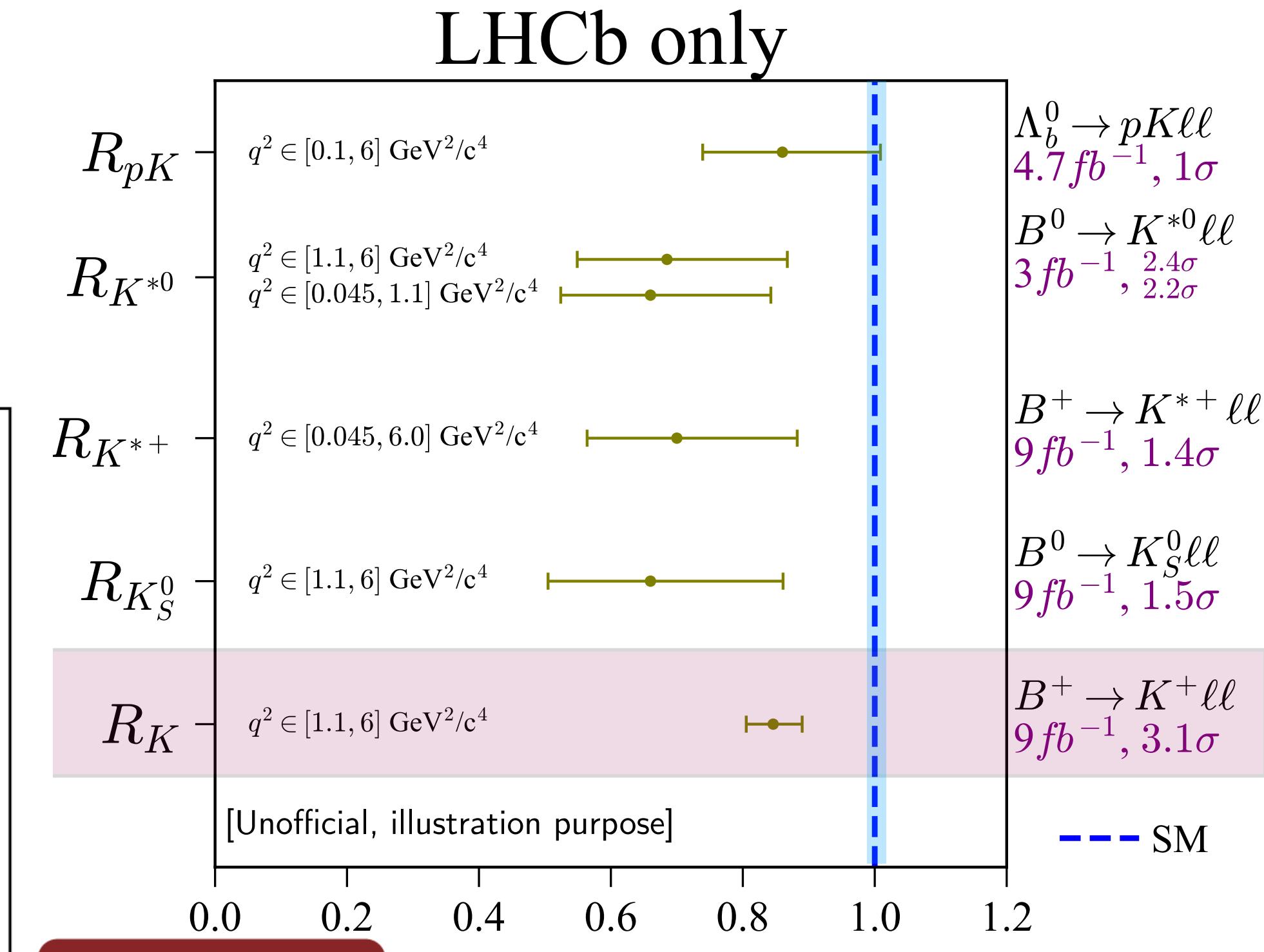
► All LHCb data used (9fb^{-1})



► Together with K^{*0} mode, the highest statistical yield

achievable at LHCb

► $q^2 \in [1.1, 6.0] \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$



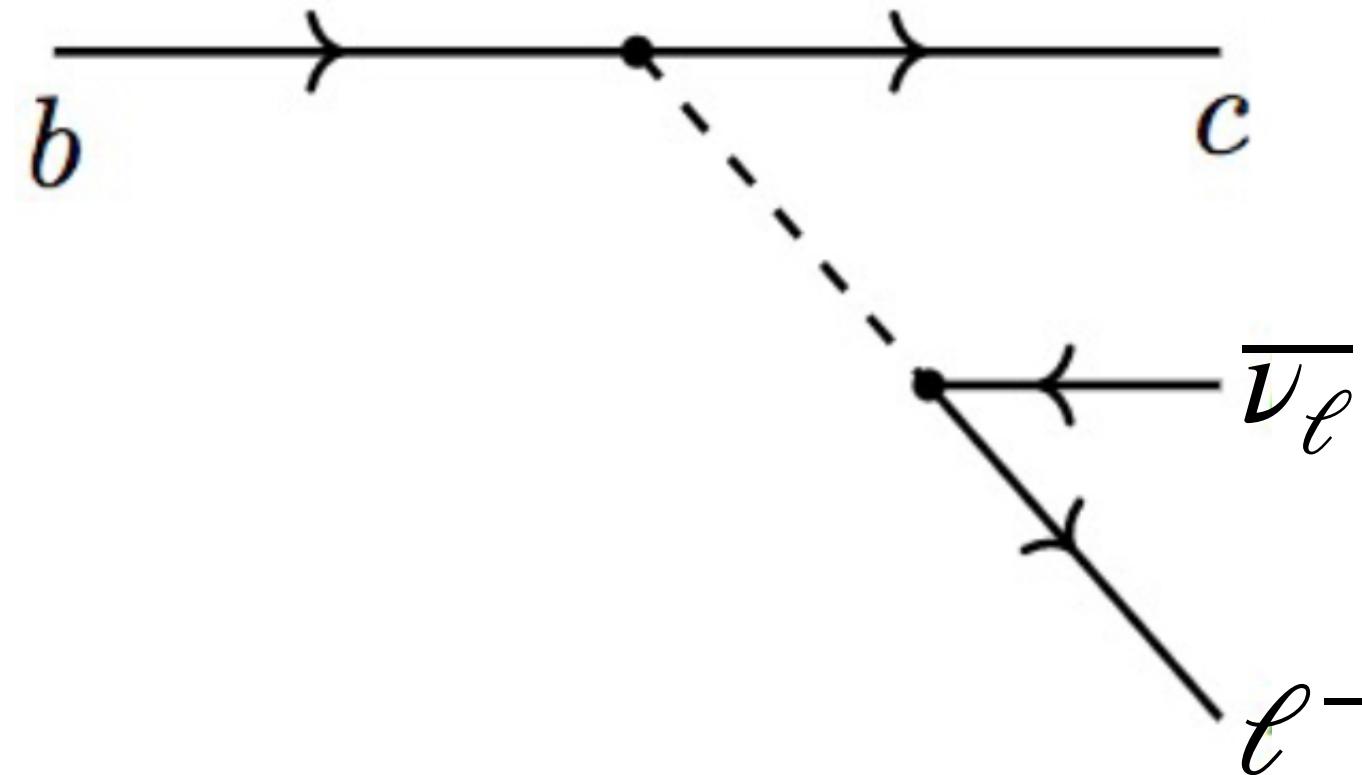
Validation

- $r_{J/\psi} = 0.981 \pm 0.020$ (stat. \oplus syst.)
- $R_{\psi(2S)} = 0.997 \pm 0.011$ (stat. \oplus syst.) .

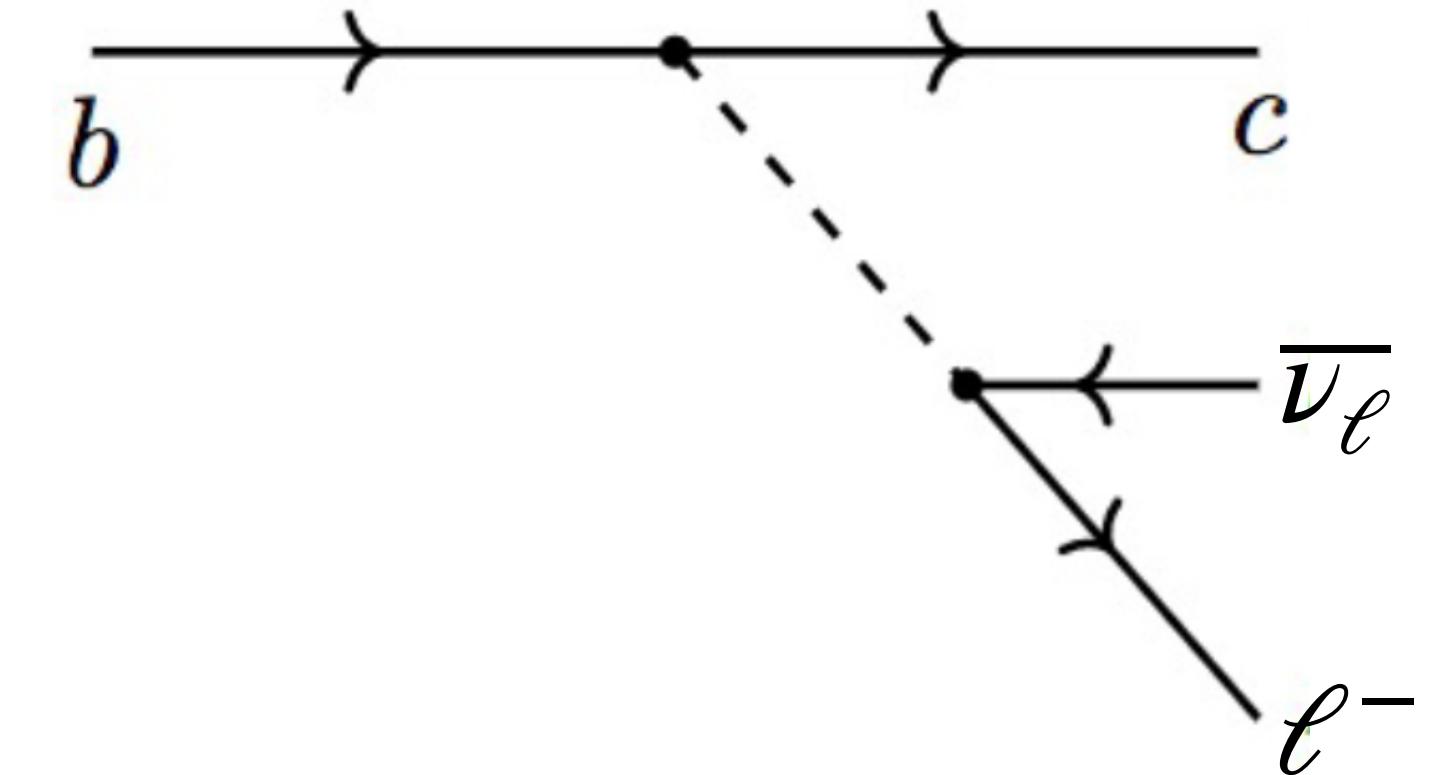
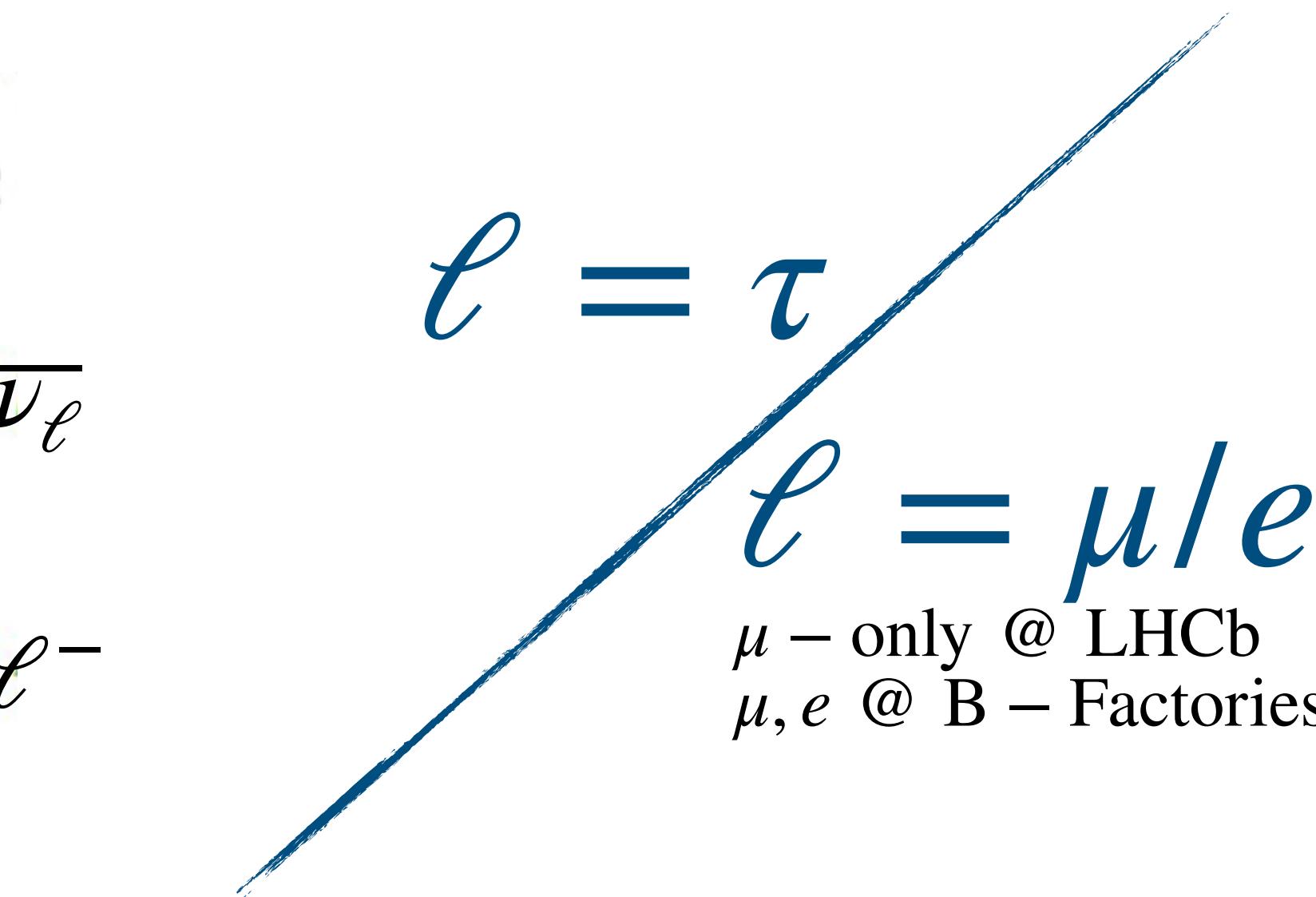
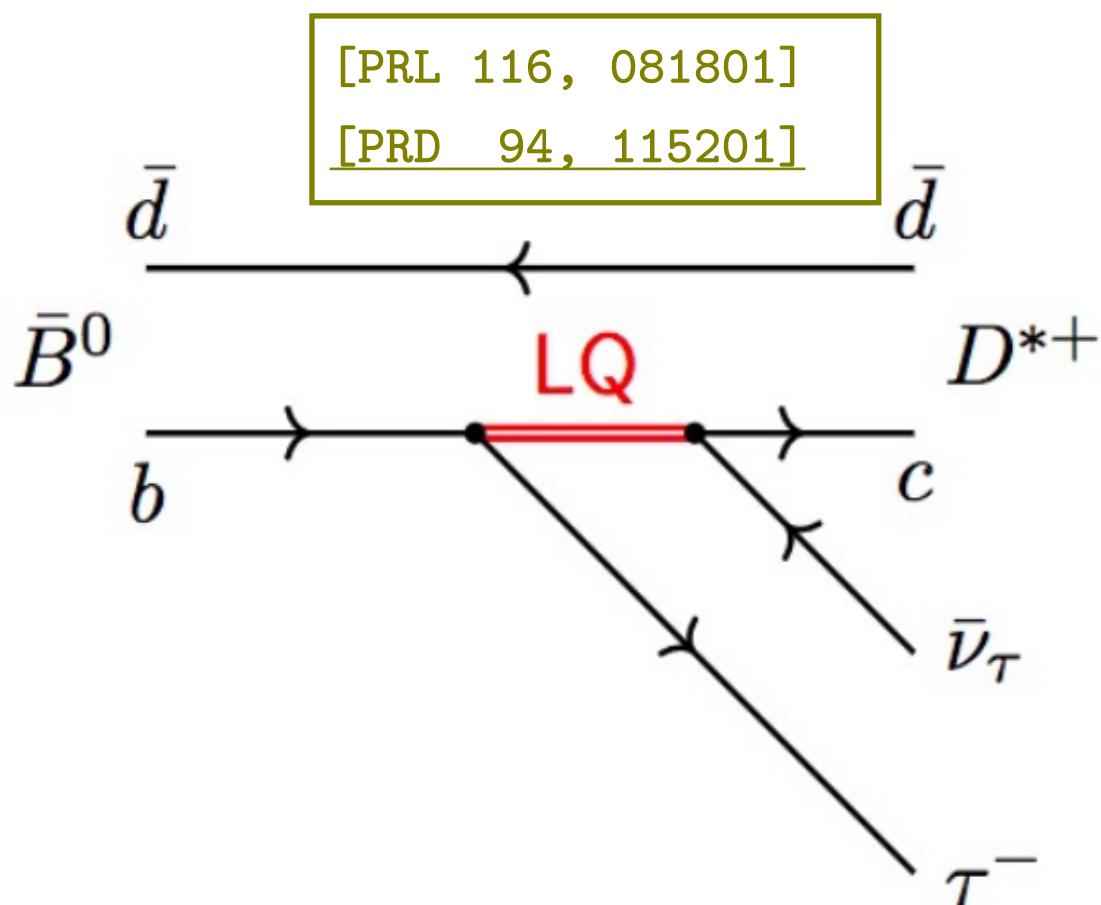
Result

- $R_K = 0.846^{+0.042}_{-0.039}$ (stat.) $^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$ (syst.)
- Tension of 3.1σ with the SM

LFU tests in $b \rightarrow c\ell\nu$



Ratio sensitive to
possible NP coupling
to 3rd generation
(e.g. LQ)



$$R(H_c) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(H_b \rightarrow H_c \tau \bar{\nu}_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(H_b \rightarrow H_c \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell)}$$

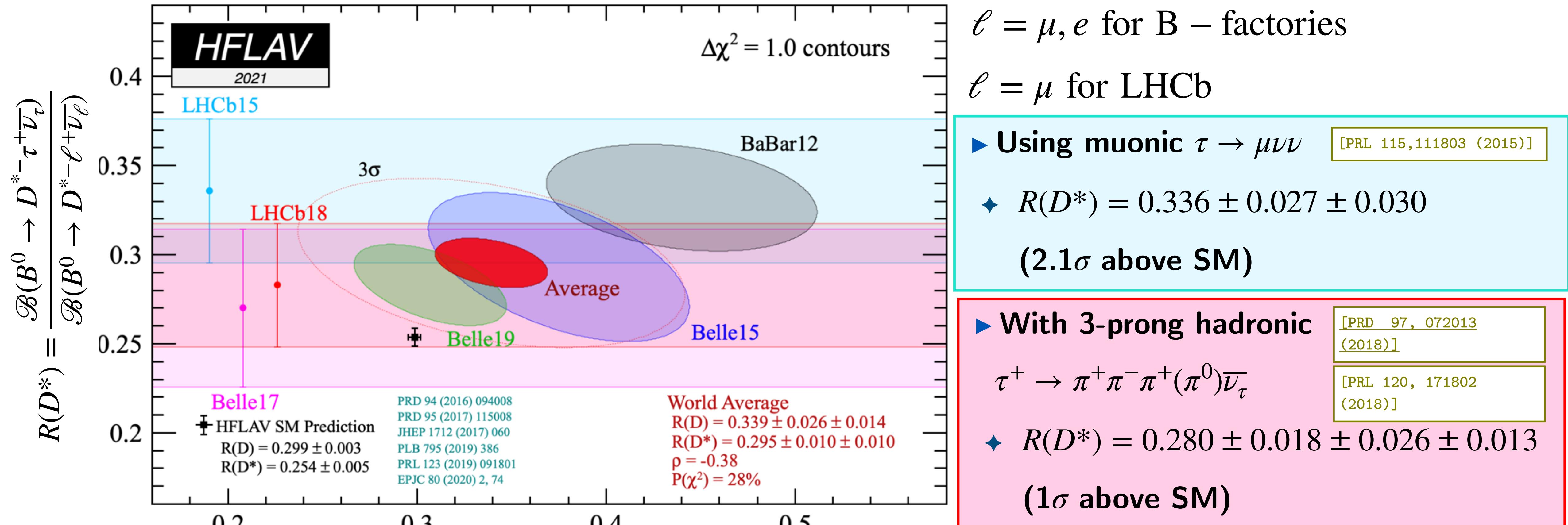
$$H_c = D^{*,+}, D^0, D^+, D_s^+, \Lambda_c^+, J/\psi$$

$$H_b = B^0, B^+, B_s^0, B_c, \Lambda_b$$

Unique at
LHCb

$$E_b, \Omega_b$$

$R(D) - R(D^*)$



$$R(D) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^- \tau^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^- \ell^+ \bar{\nu}_\ell)}$$

3.3 σ above SM

(in combination with all measurements from B-factories)

$R(J/\psi)$ [using B_c decays, leptonic τ]

[PRL 120, 121801 (2018)]

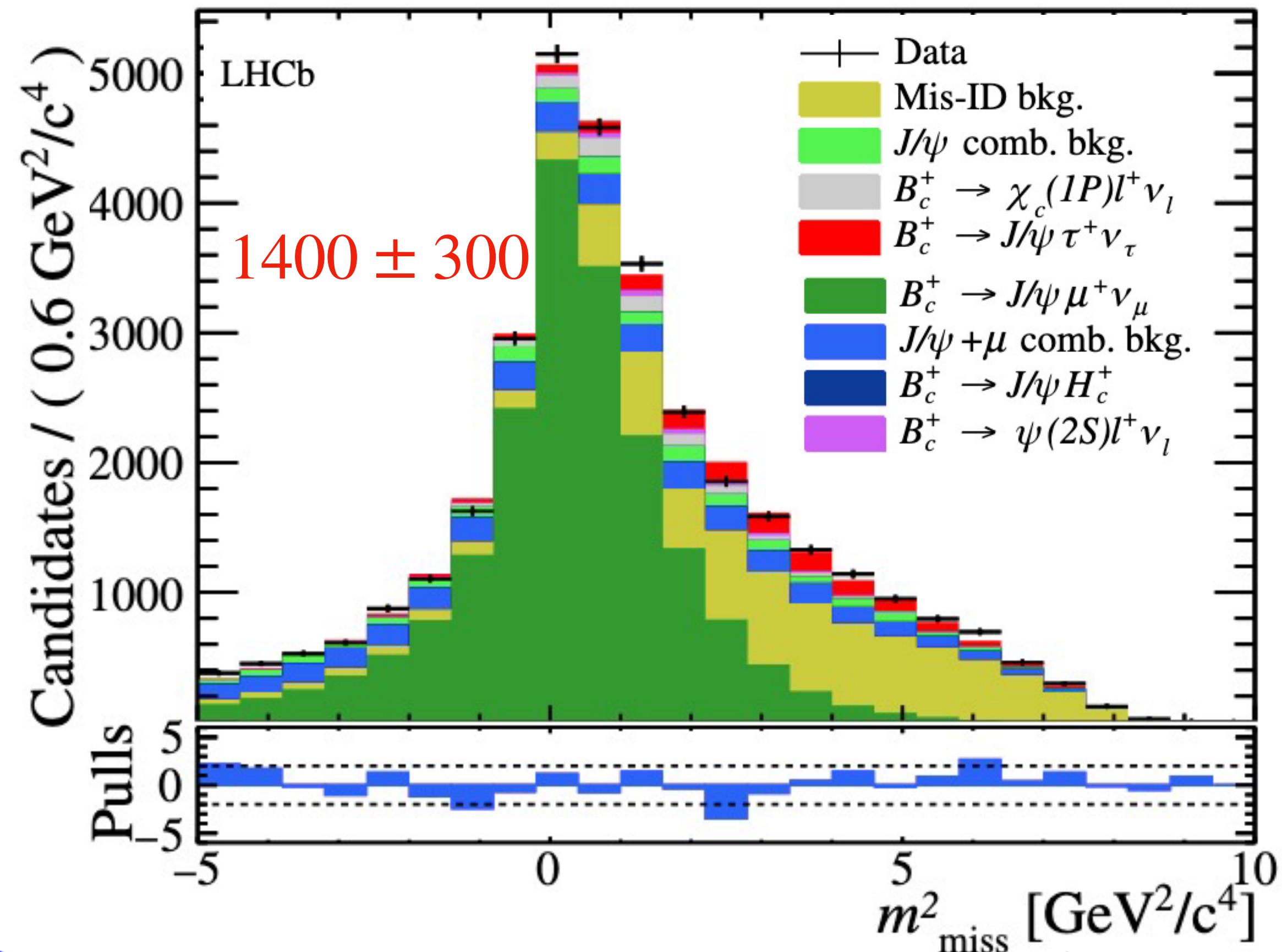
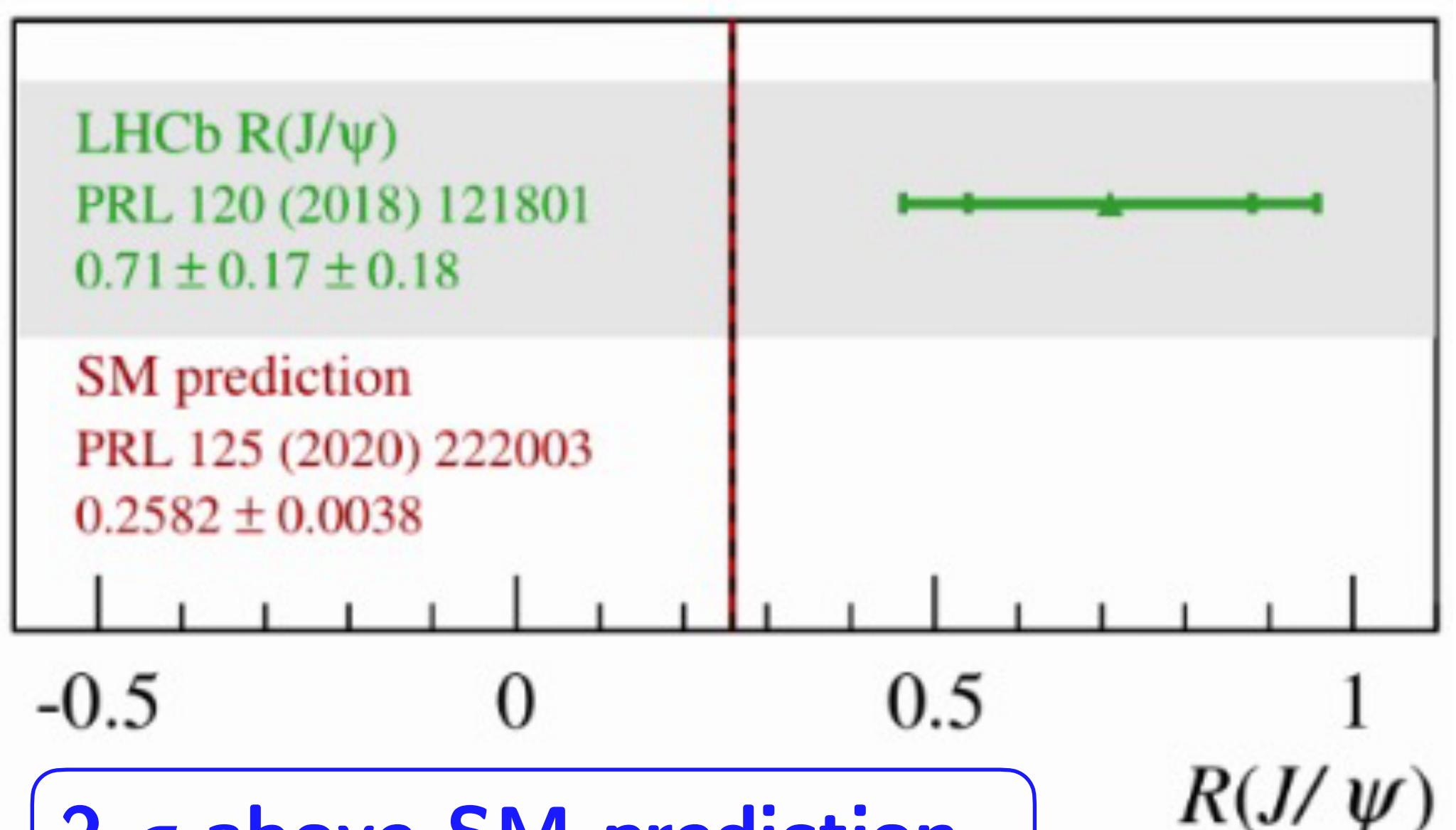
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► Use Run1 (3 fb^{-1}) data

◆ First LFU test in B_c mesons

◆ Observation of $B_c \rightarrow J/\psi \tau \bar{\nu}_\tau$ with 3σ significance

◆ σ_{syst} driven by MC-stat and B_c form factors

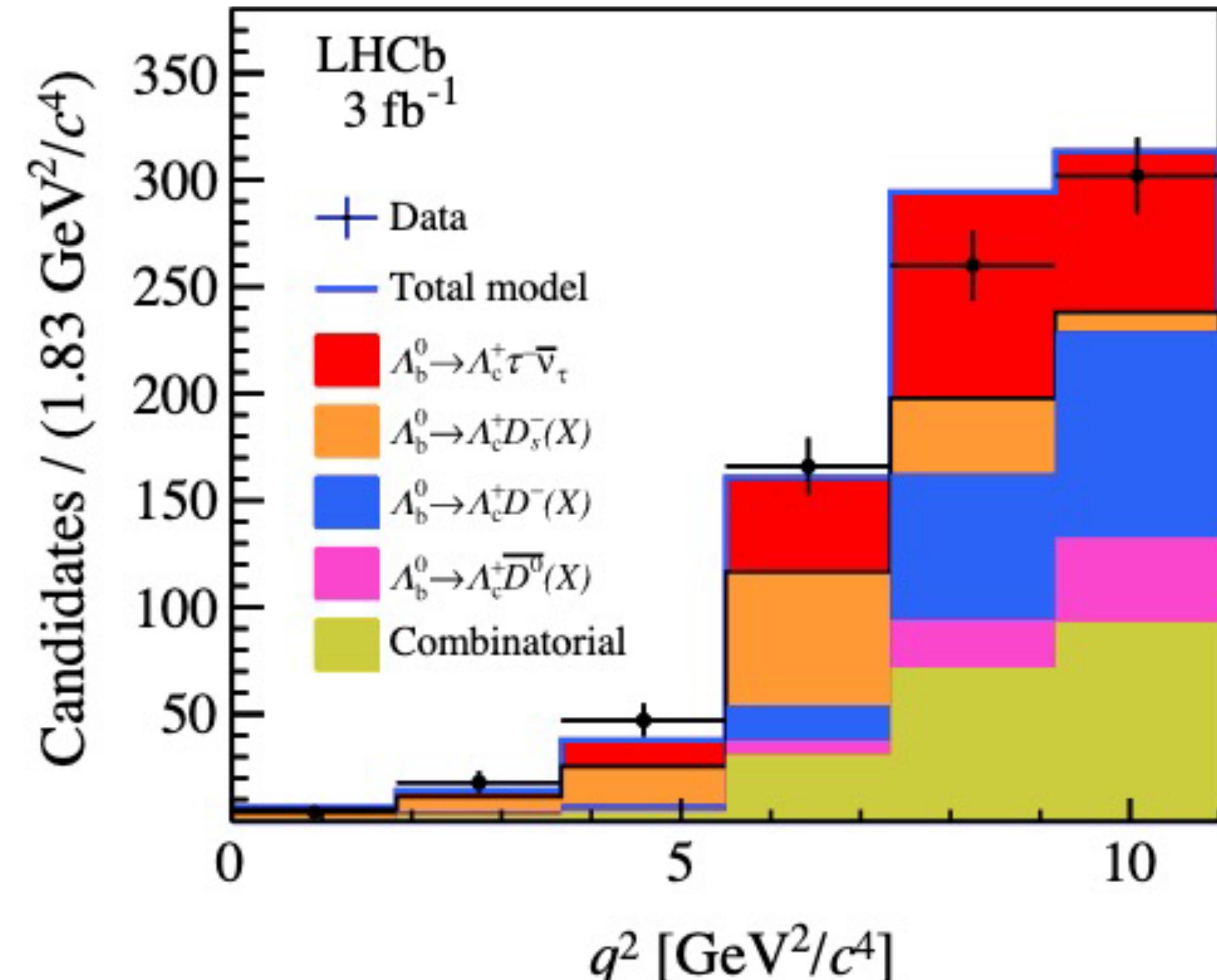
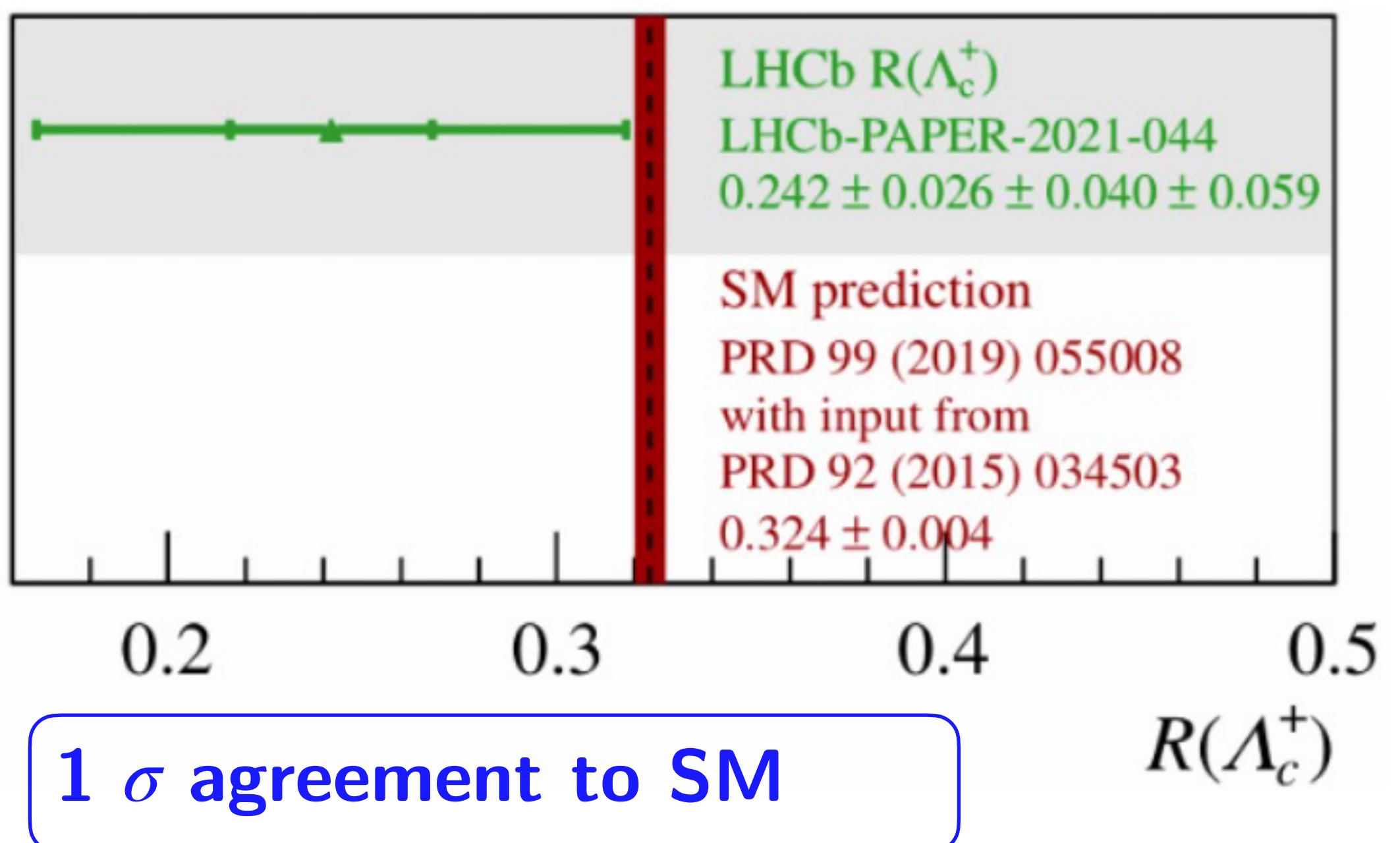


- $R(J/\psi) = 0.71 \pm 0.17(\text{stat}) \pm 0.18(\text{syst})$
- $R_{\text{SM}}(J/\psi) = 0.2583 \pm 0.0038$ [PRL, 125, 222003 (2020)]

$R(\Lambda_c)$ [using Λ_b decays, hadronic τ]

[PRL 128, 191803 (2022)]

- $R(\Lambda_c) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \tau^- \bar{\nu}_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu)}$ ♦ $\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^- (\pi^0) \nu_\tau$
- Use Run1 (3 fb^{-1}) data
 - ♦ First LFU test in a baryonic $b \rightarrow c \ell \nu$
 - ♦ Initial state $S = 1/2$: NP coupling could be different
 - ♦ σ_{syst} driven by double-charm background



Result

- $R(\Lambda_c^+) = 0.242 \pm 0.026(\text{stat}) \pm 0.040(\text{syst}) \pm 0.059(\text{ext.})$
- $R_{\text{SM}}(\Lambda_c^+) = 0.324 \pm 0.004$

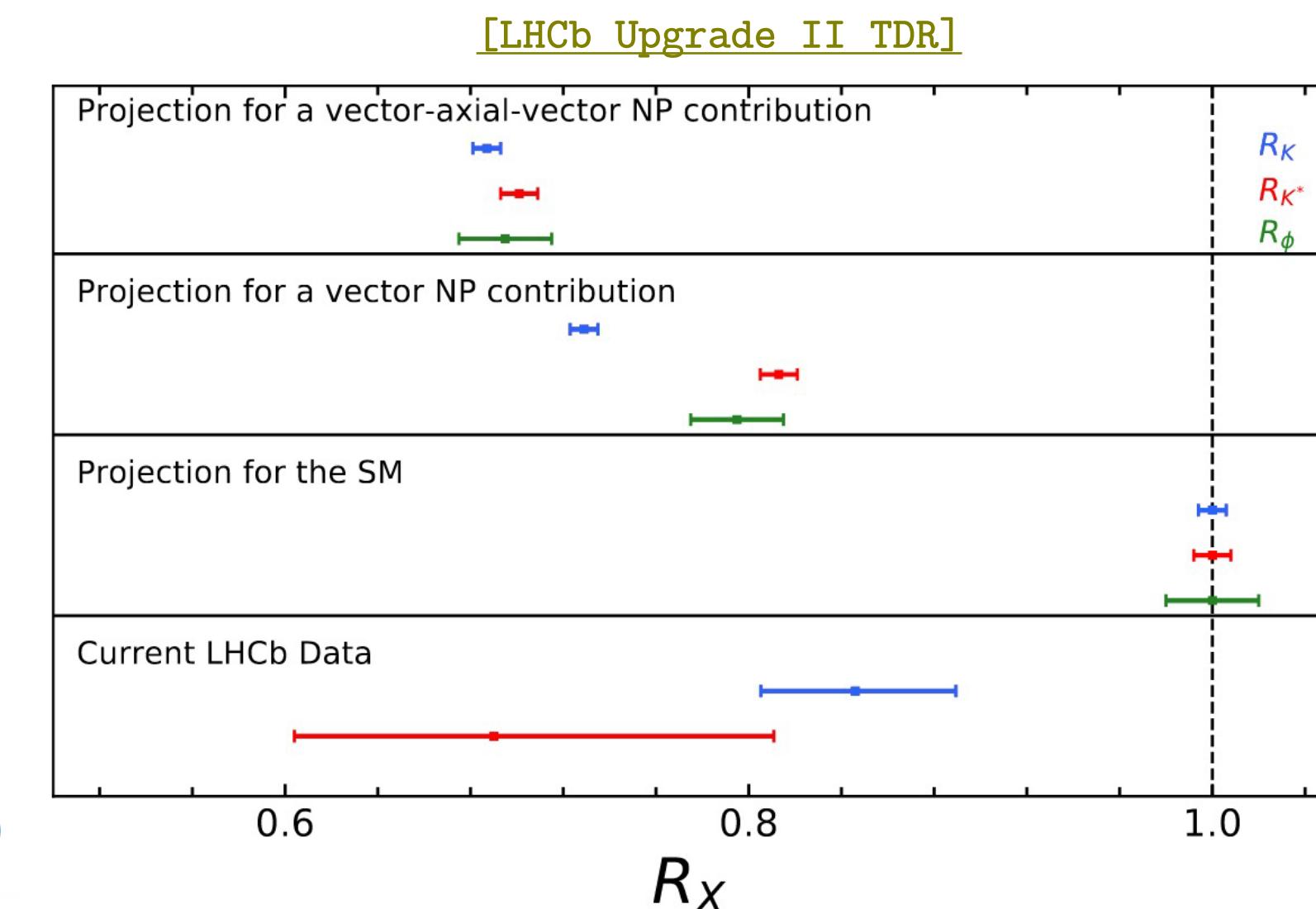
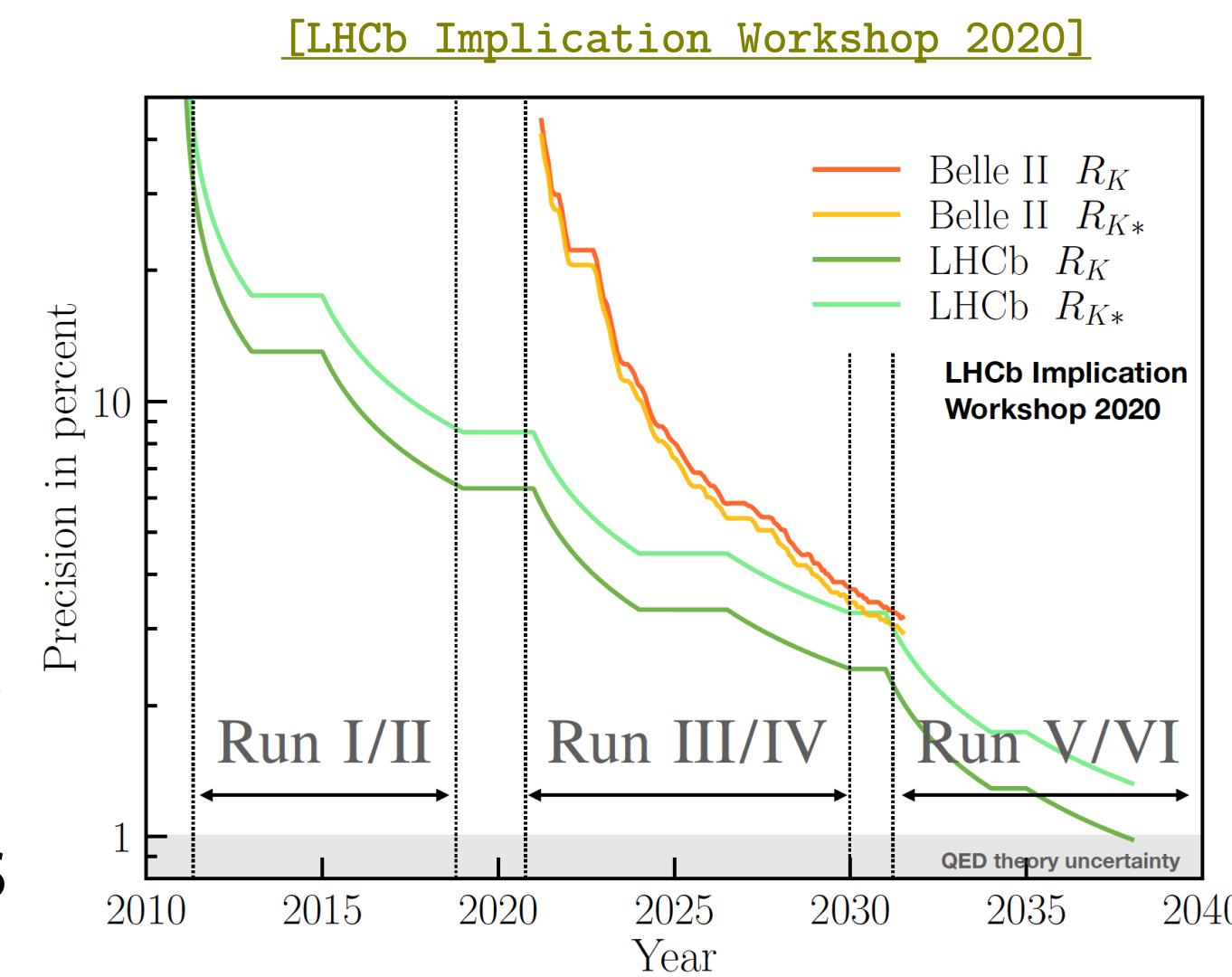
[PRD, 99, 055008]

Prospects of LFU tests

► LHCb plans to also include

- ◆ Combined $R(K)/R(K^{*,0})$ with 9fb^{-1}
- ◆ R_ϕ [$B_s \rightarrow \phi \ell \ell$] , full dataset R_{pK}
- ◆ $R_{K\pi\pi}$ and high q^2 bins in $R(K)/R(K^{*,0})$
- ◆ Reach O(%) precision in coming years

with Belle-II and LHCb Run III.

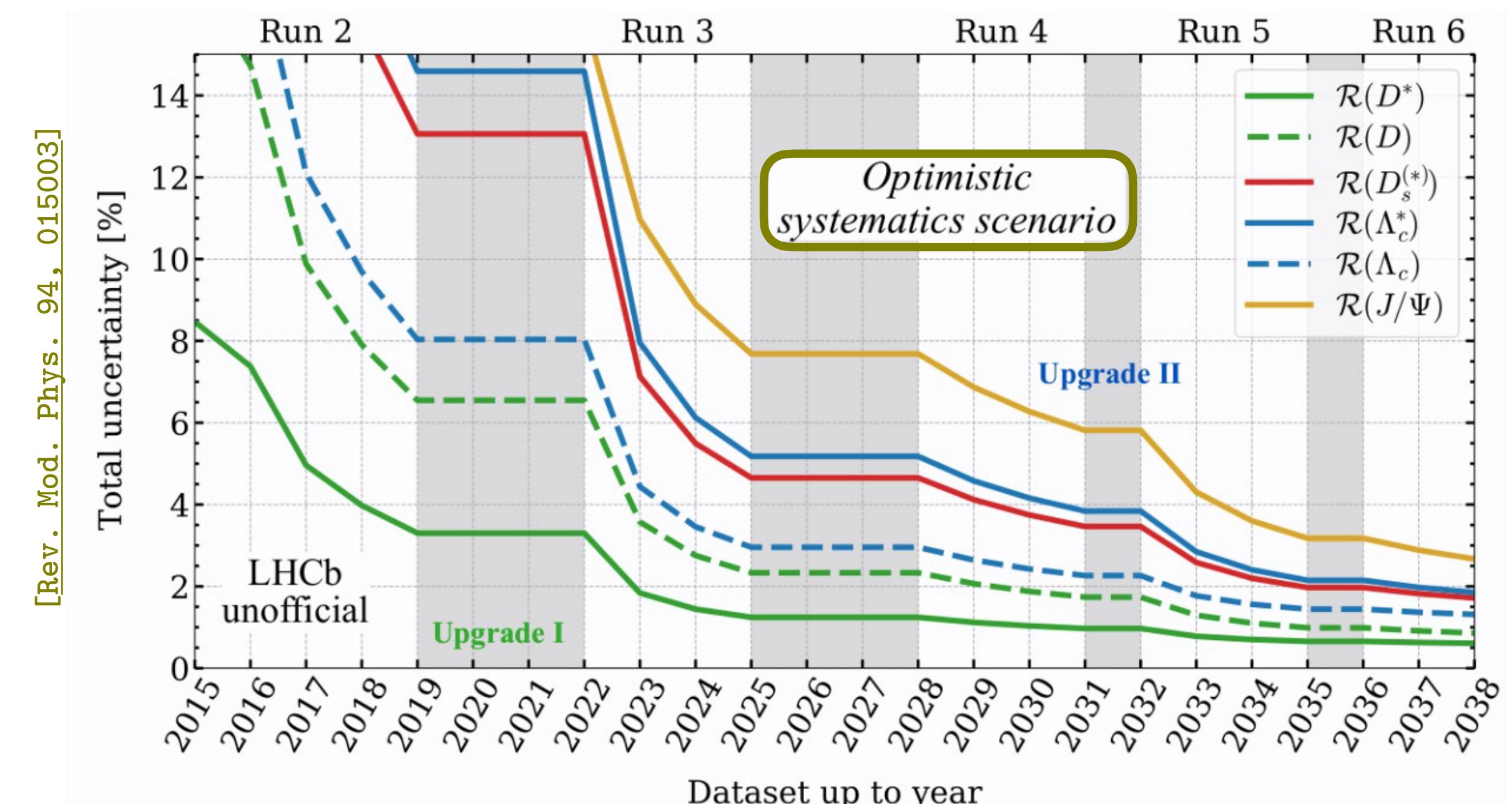


► LHCb plans to also include

- ◆ $R(D^+)$, $R(D^*)$ e/ μ
- ◆ Combined $R(D^*) - R(D)$
- ◆ $R(D^{**})$
- ◆ $R(D_s^*)$
- ◆ $R(\Lambda_c^{**})$

Exploiting new observables beyond \mathcal{B} :
Angular observables for spin structure

Irrreducible systematic of 0.5% on $R(D^*)$ and
2% on other ratios



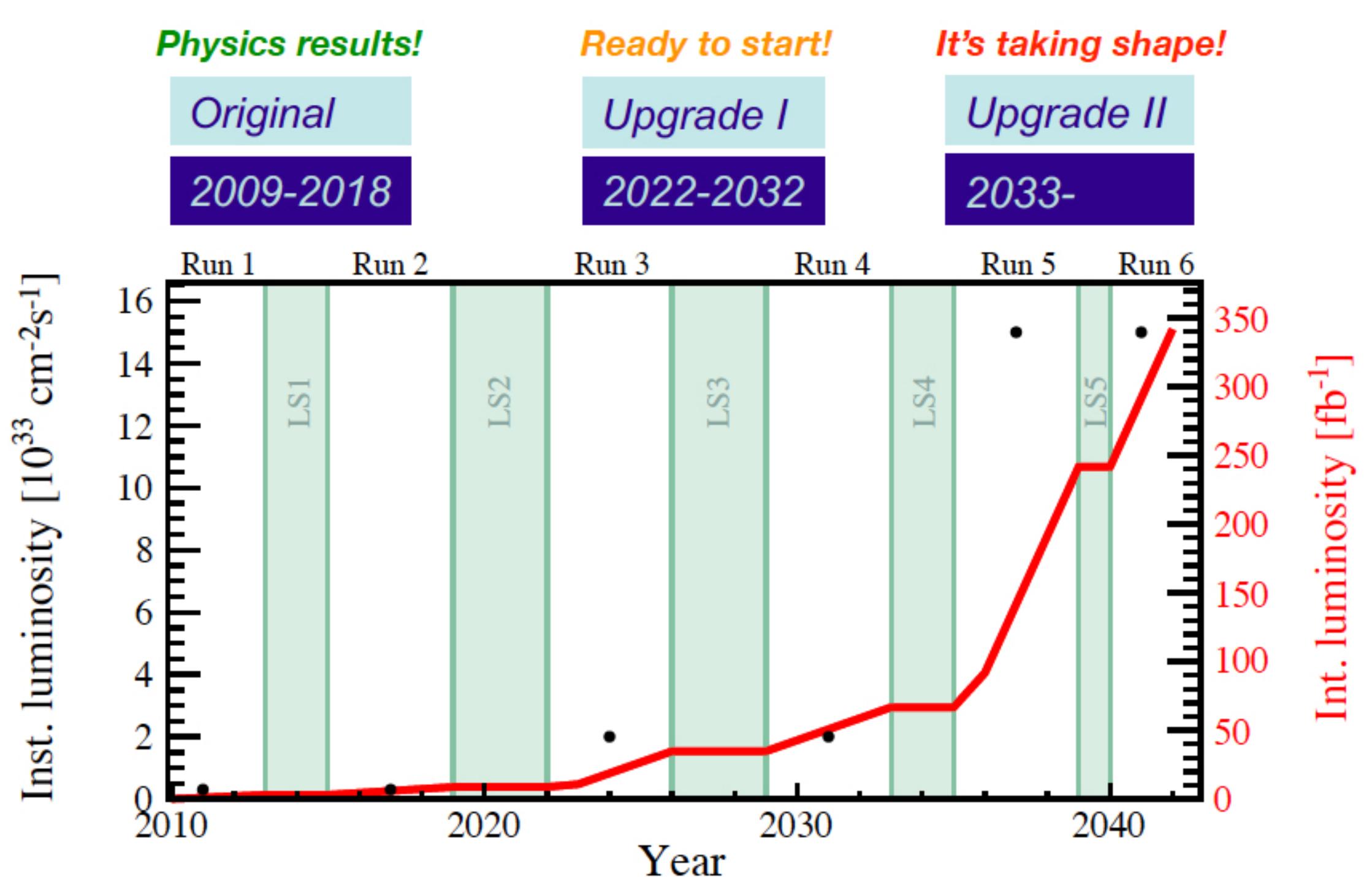
Conclusion

► *Intriguing pattern of LFU(V) in several exclusive measurements at LHCb in $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$*

- ◆ High priority on a combined $R(K)/R(K^*)$ with full dataset with a deeper understanding of systematics from LHCb as well as adding other decay modes and q^2 regions

► *Several modes studied and still under studies also in $b \rightarrow c\ell\nu$ at LHCb*

- ◆ Starting analysing not only \mathcal{B} ratios, but also other observables such as angular observables

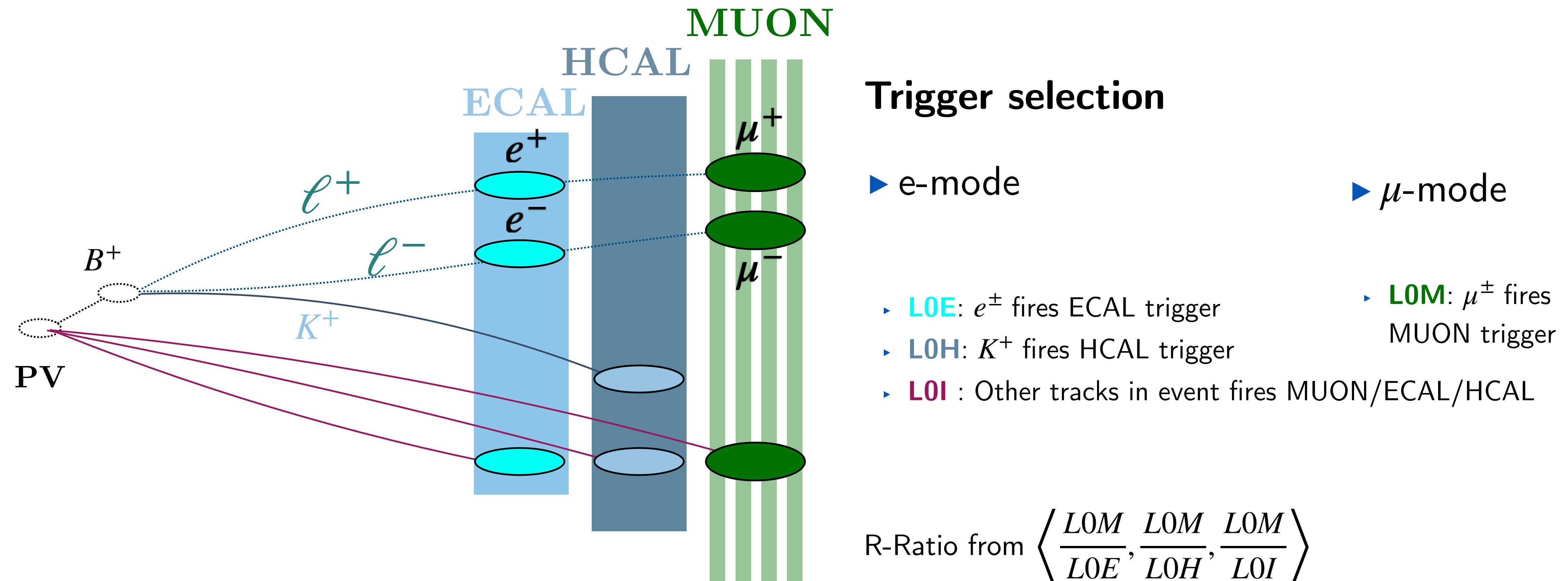


- While focus is on having “legacy” 9 fb⁻¹ results,
the Run III has just started
- ◆ LHCb Run III : 3 x more stat than in Run I/II in 2.5 yr
- ◆ Almost a brand new detector with improved performance
- ◆ Belle II will be competing/complement LHCb physics program in next years
- ***Stay tuned for results***

Backup

Trigger strategy

- Hardware triggers in LHCb [ECAL, HCAL, MUON] have different threshold cuts

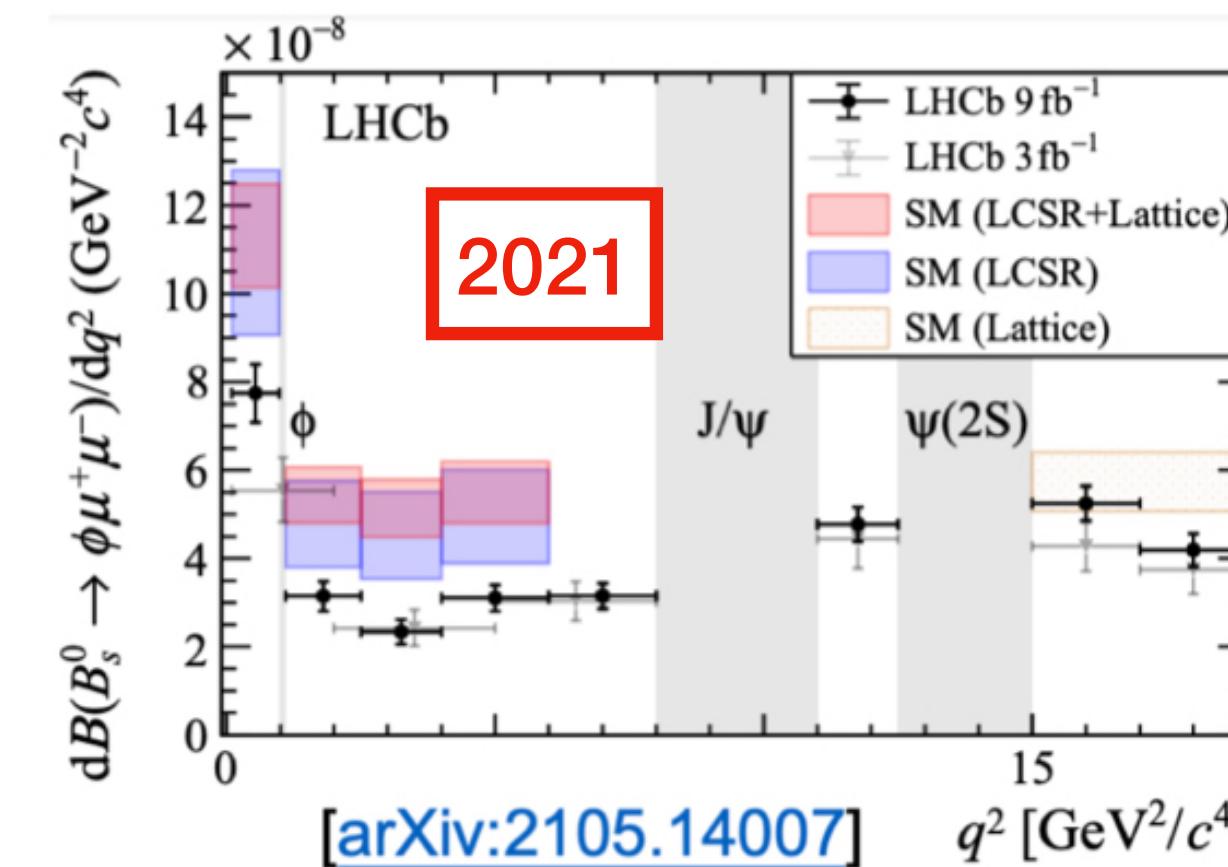


Muon $p_T > 1\text{GeV}$

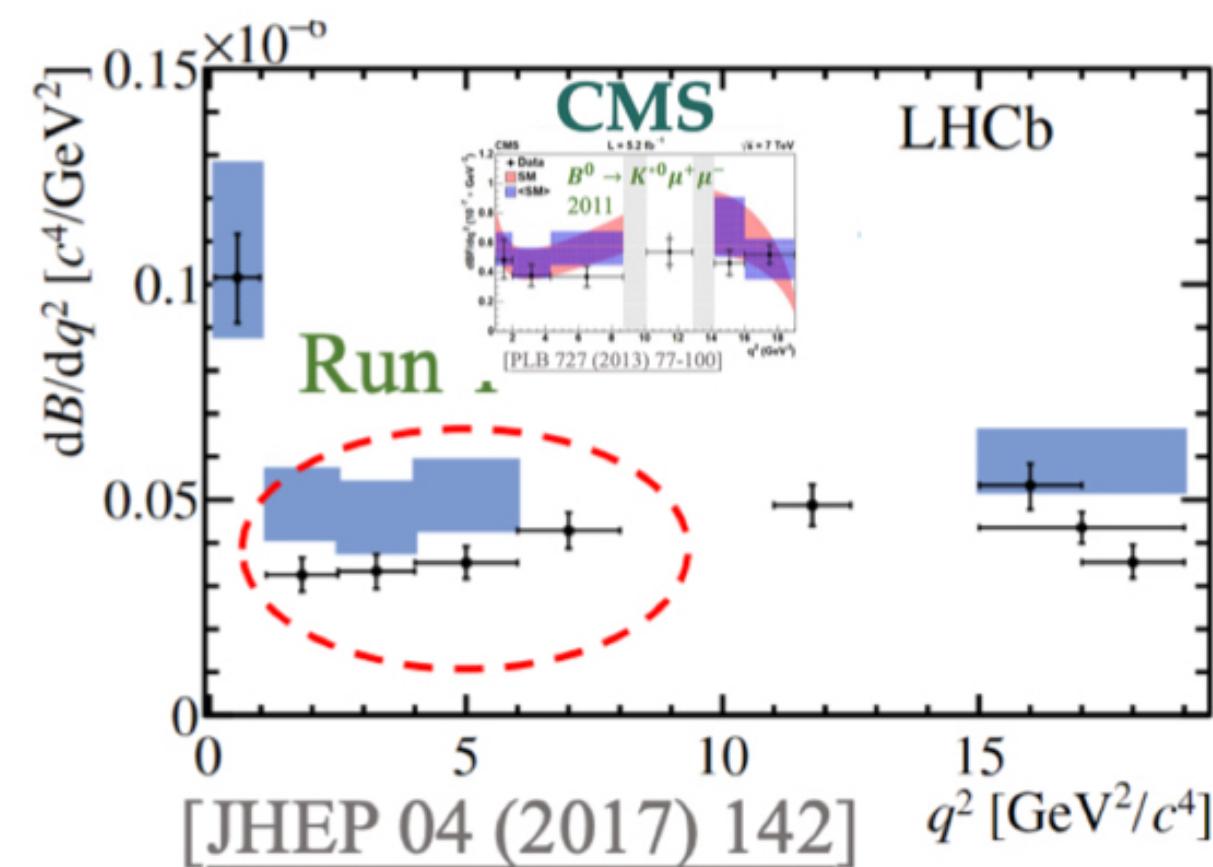
HCAL/ECAL $E_T > 2.7 \text{ GeV}$

R-Ratio from $\left\langle \frac{L0M}{L0E}, \frac{L0M}{L0H}, \frac{L0M}{L0I} \right\rangle$

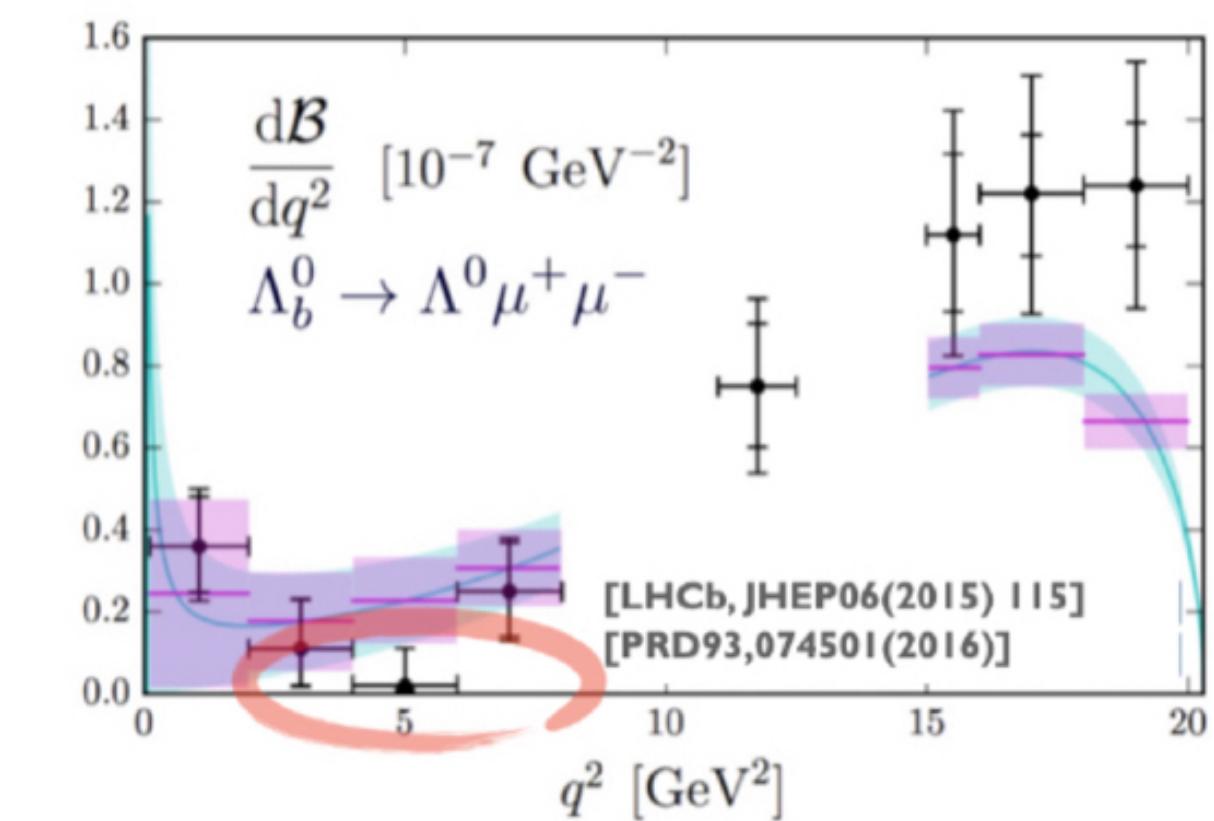
$d\mathcal{B}/dq^2$ in $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$



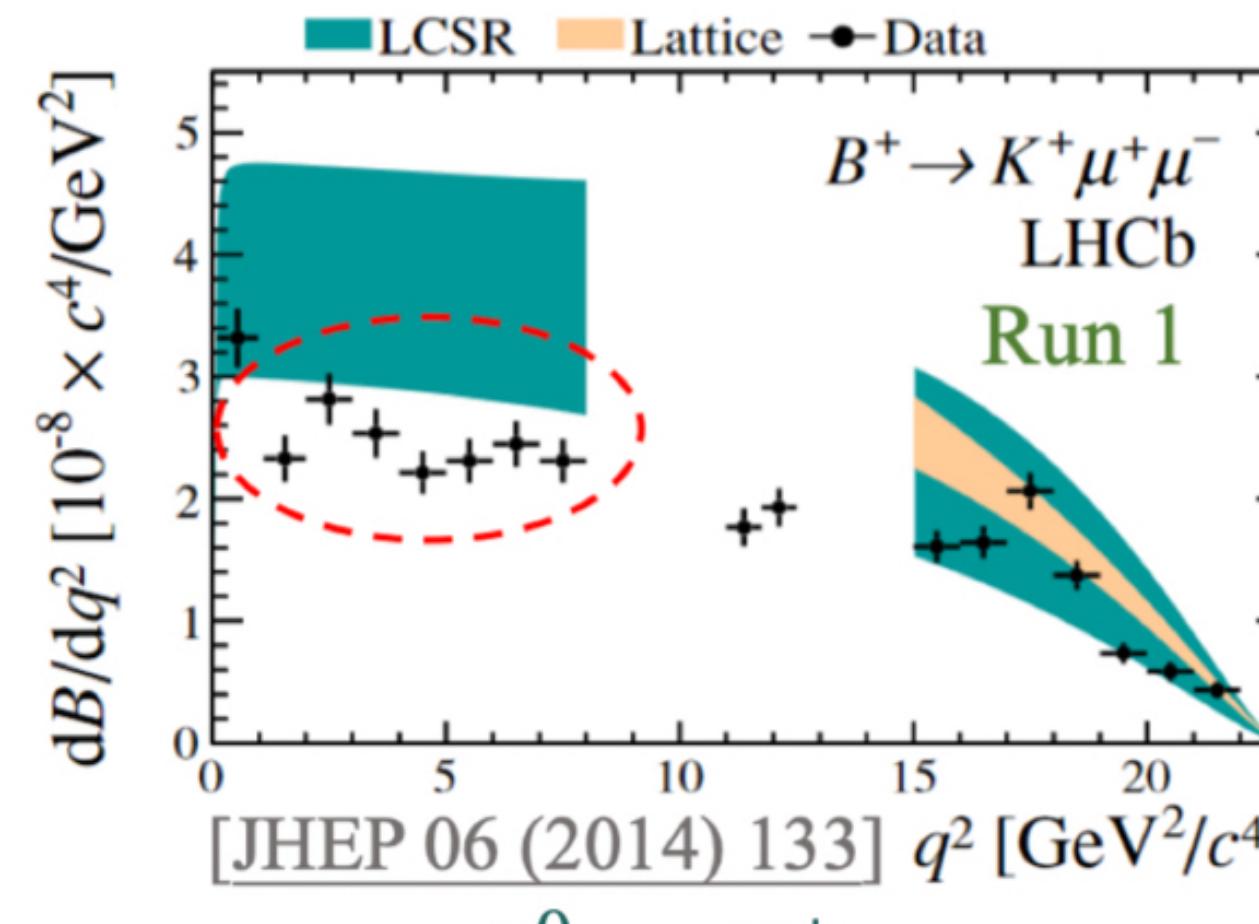
$B_s \rightarrow \phi \mu \mu$



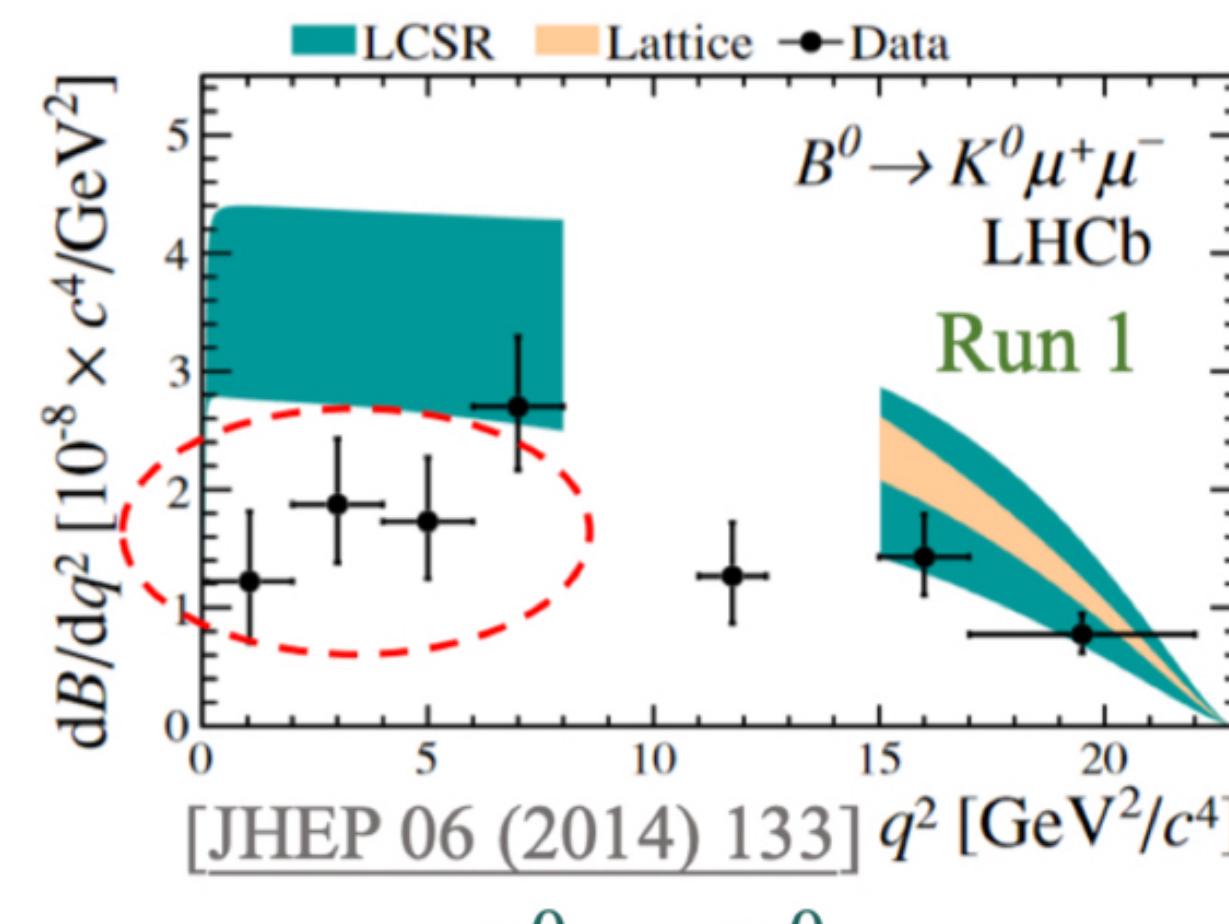
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$



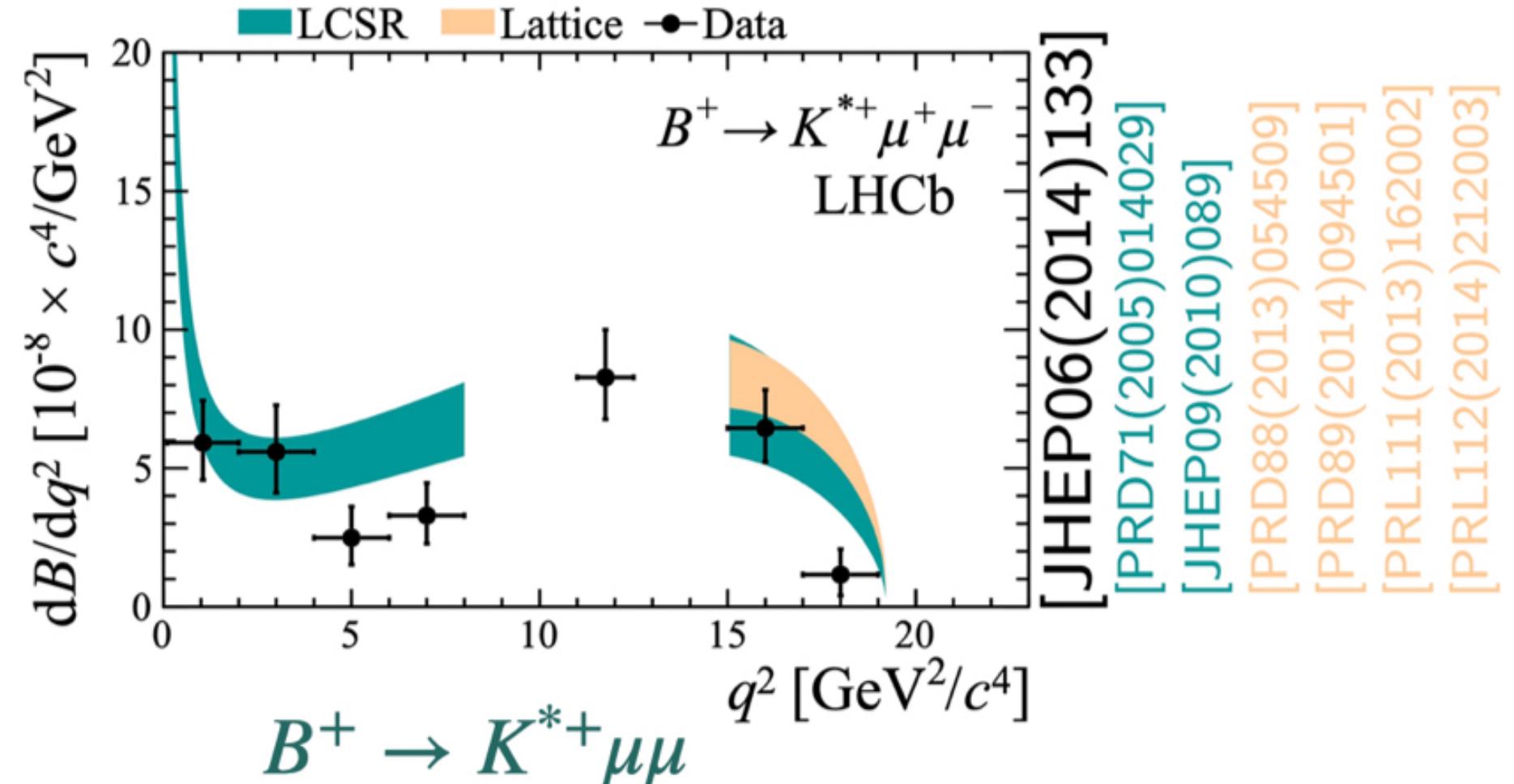
$\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda \mu \mu$



$B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \mu \mu$



$B^0 \rightarrow K^0 \mu \mu$

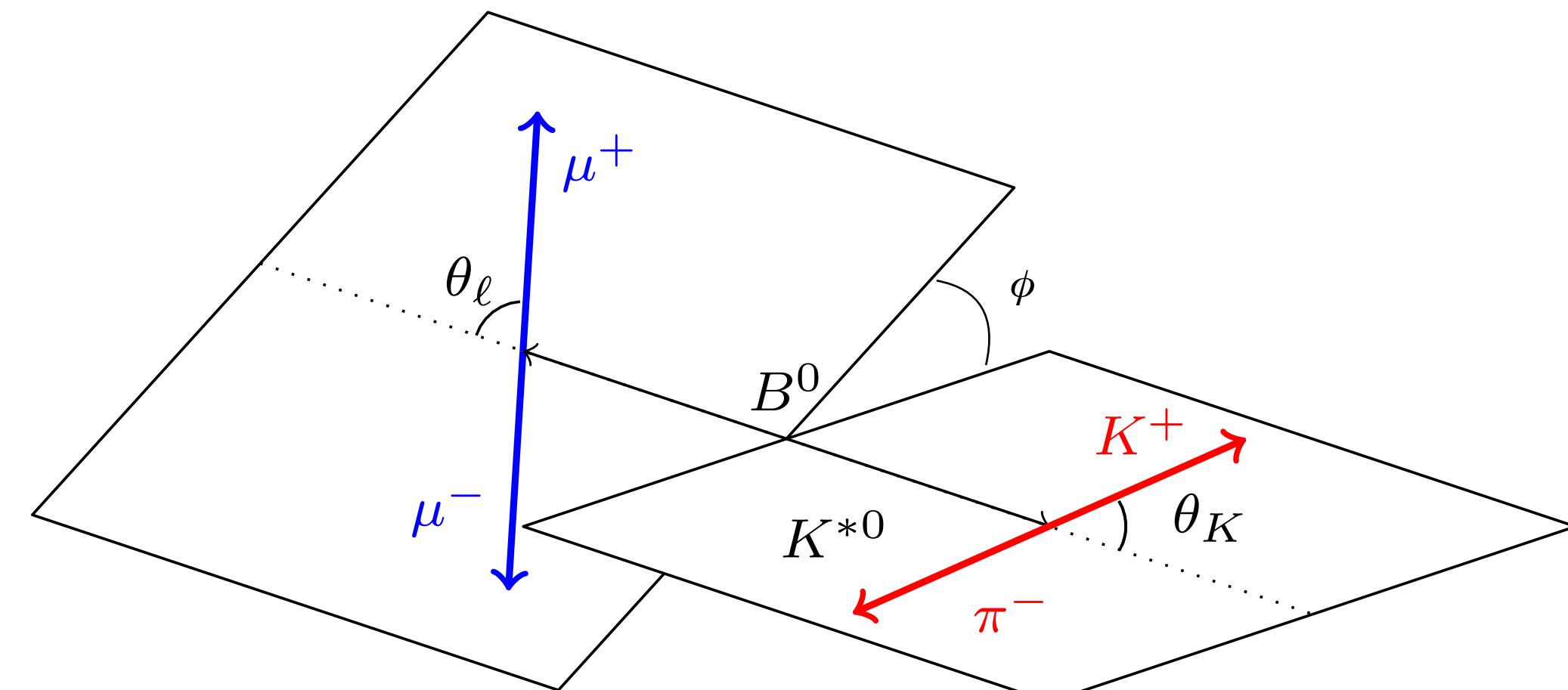
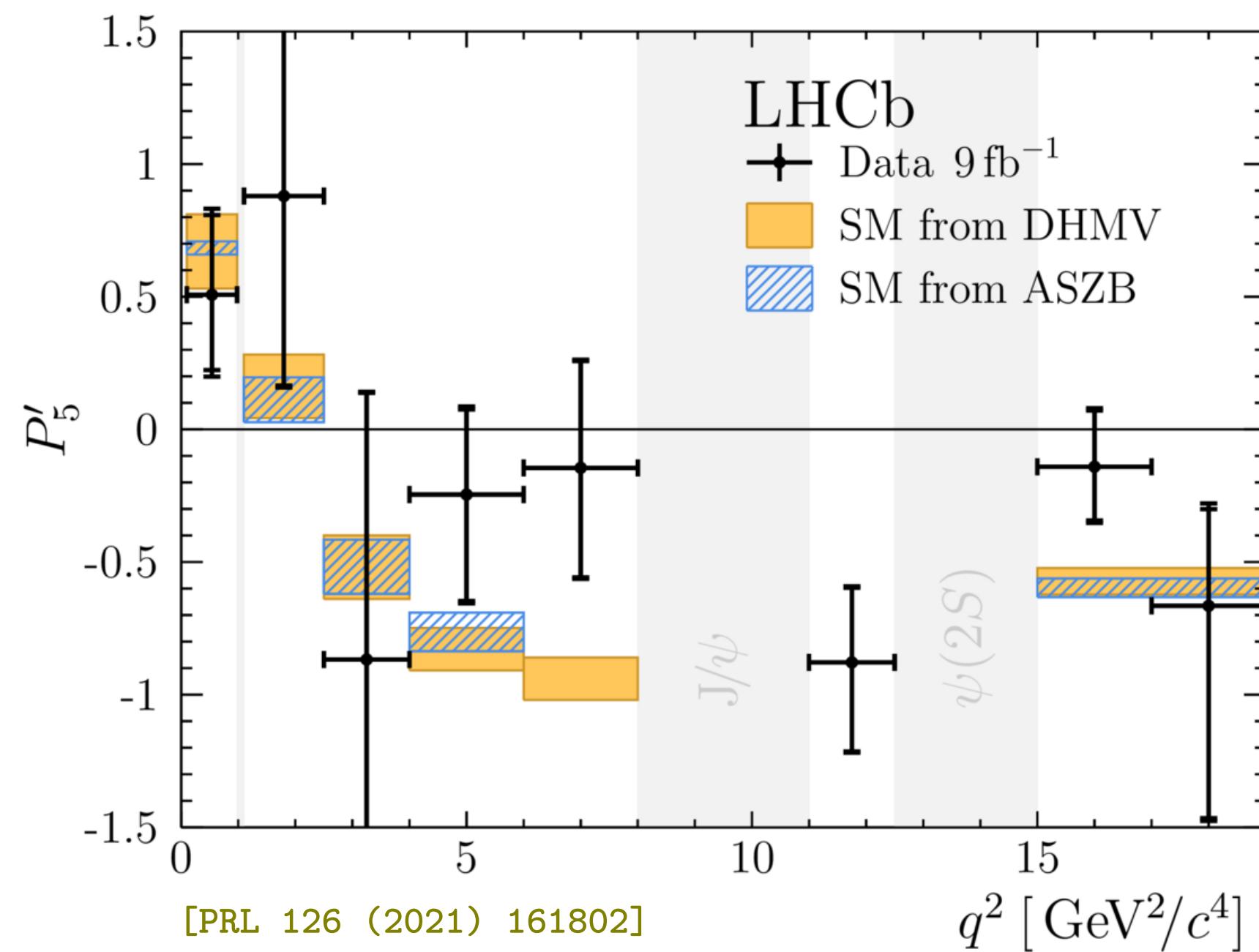


- dB/dq^2 in exclusive $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$ seems to undershoot SM predictions
- Coherent pattern but large theory predictions uncertainties (20-30 %) on hadronic form factors

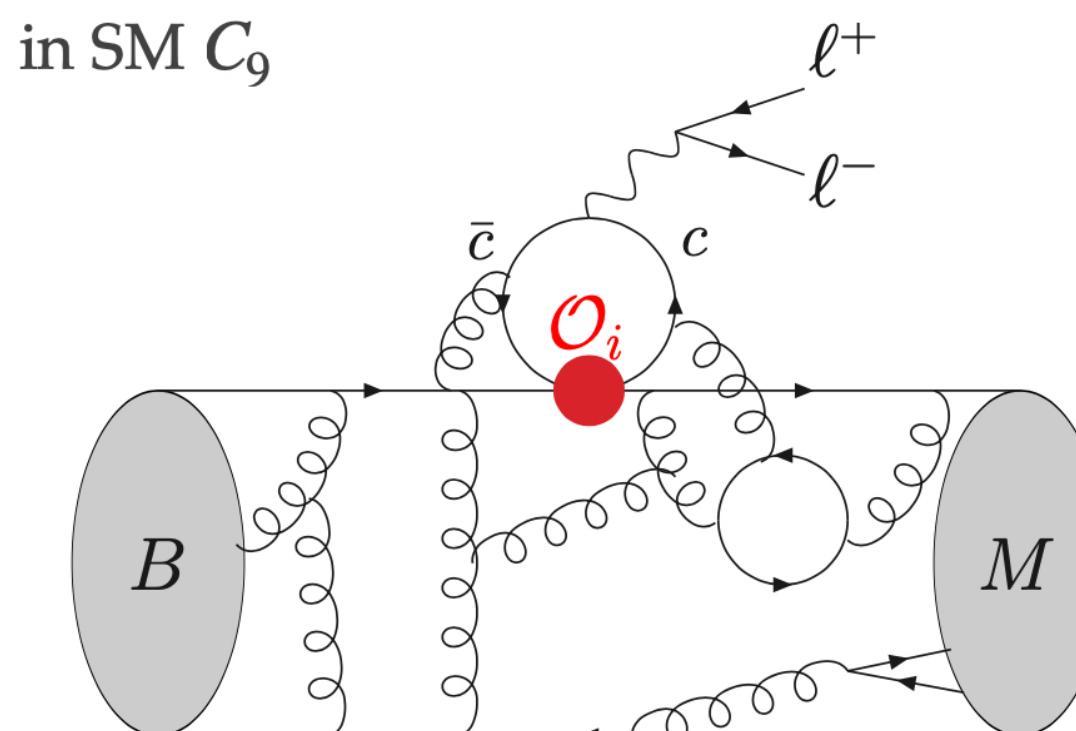
Flavour anomalies in angular $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$

- The angular distributions of the $B \rightarrow K^*\mu^+\mu^-$ decay is described with $\cos(\theta_\ell)$, $\cos(\theta_K)$, ϕ
- The coefficients F_L , A_{FB} , S_i are sensitive to New Physics
- Optimised P'_i operator to reduce form factors uncertainties:
e.g.

$$P'_5 = \frac{S_5}{\sqrt{F_L(1 - F_L)}}$$

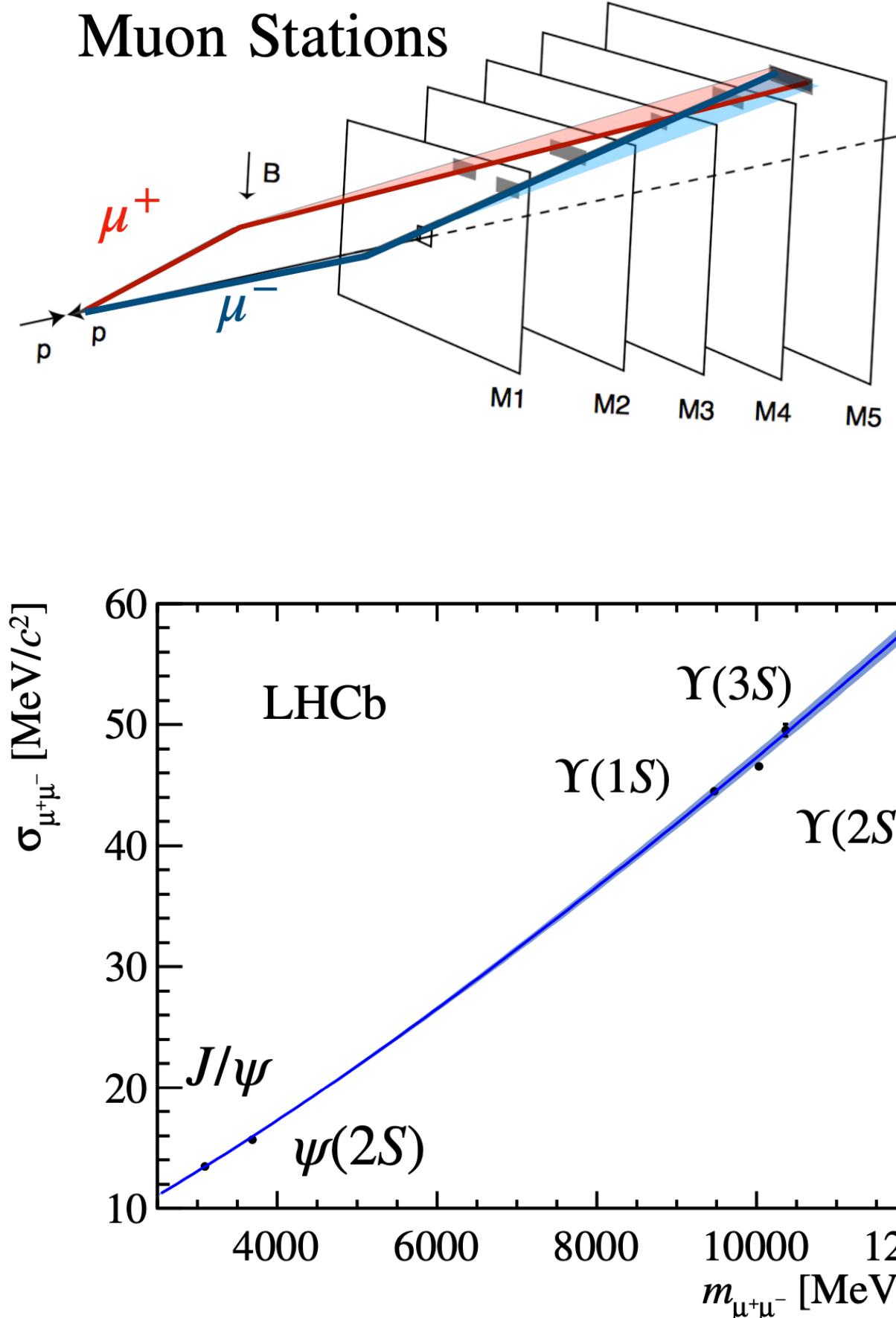


- Latest angular analysis of $B \rightarrow K^*\mu^+\mu^-$ (9fb^{-1}) showed tension in the SM consistent with that found in $B \rightarrow K^{*0}\mu^+\mu^-$
- Global significance of 3.1σ**
- Theory uncertainties under scrutiny (role of non-local charmonium loops)**



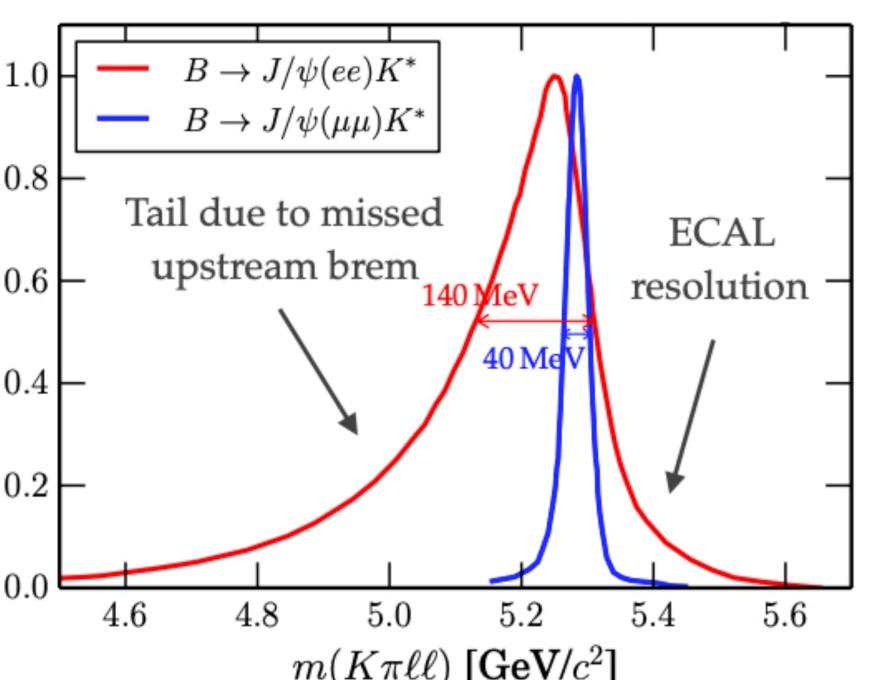
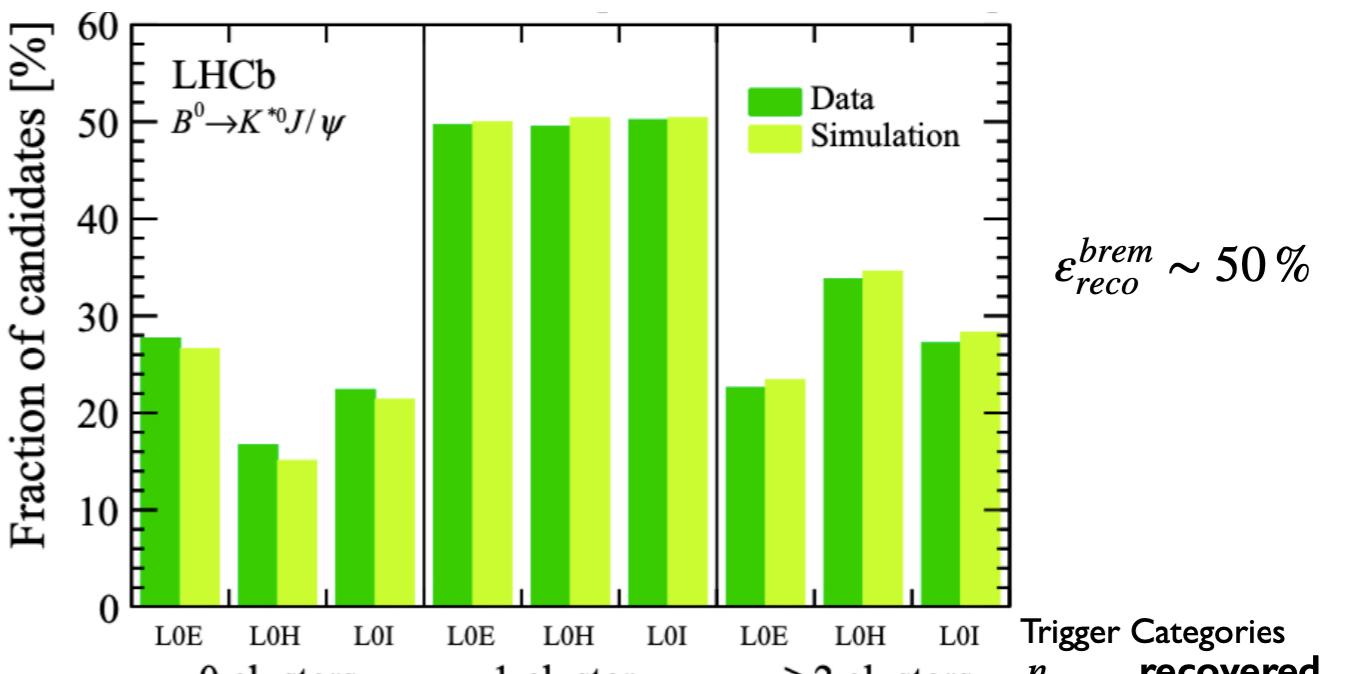
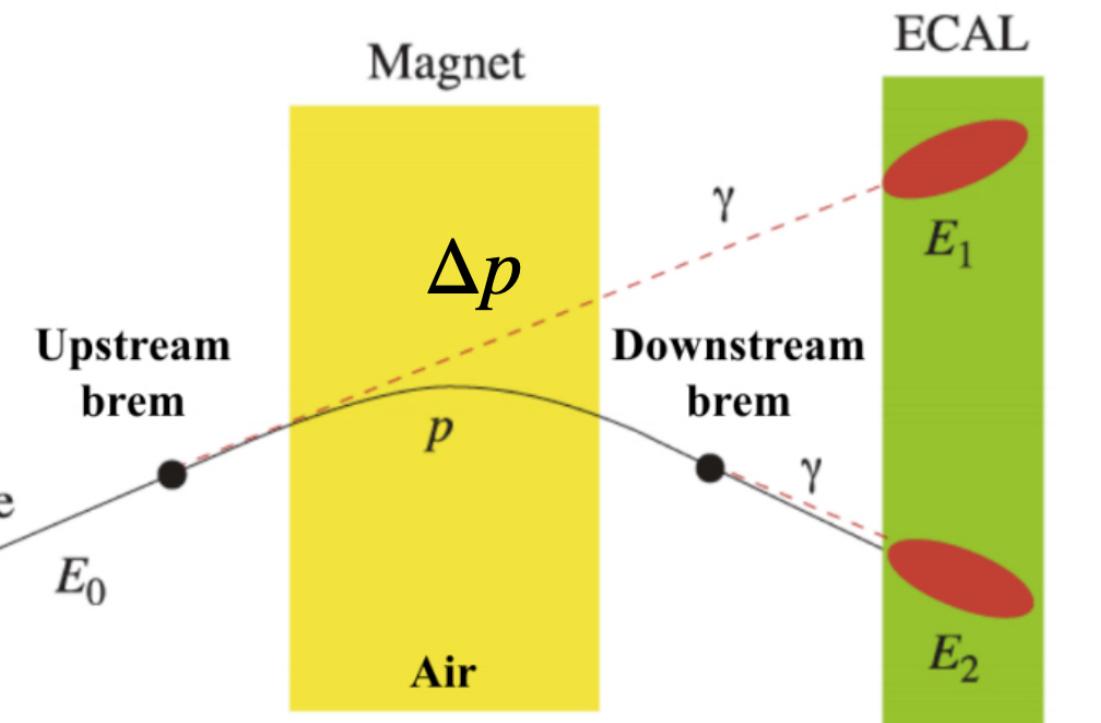
e/μ in LHCb

Muons

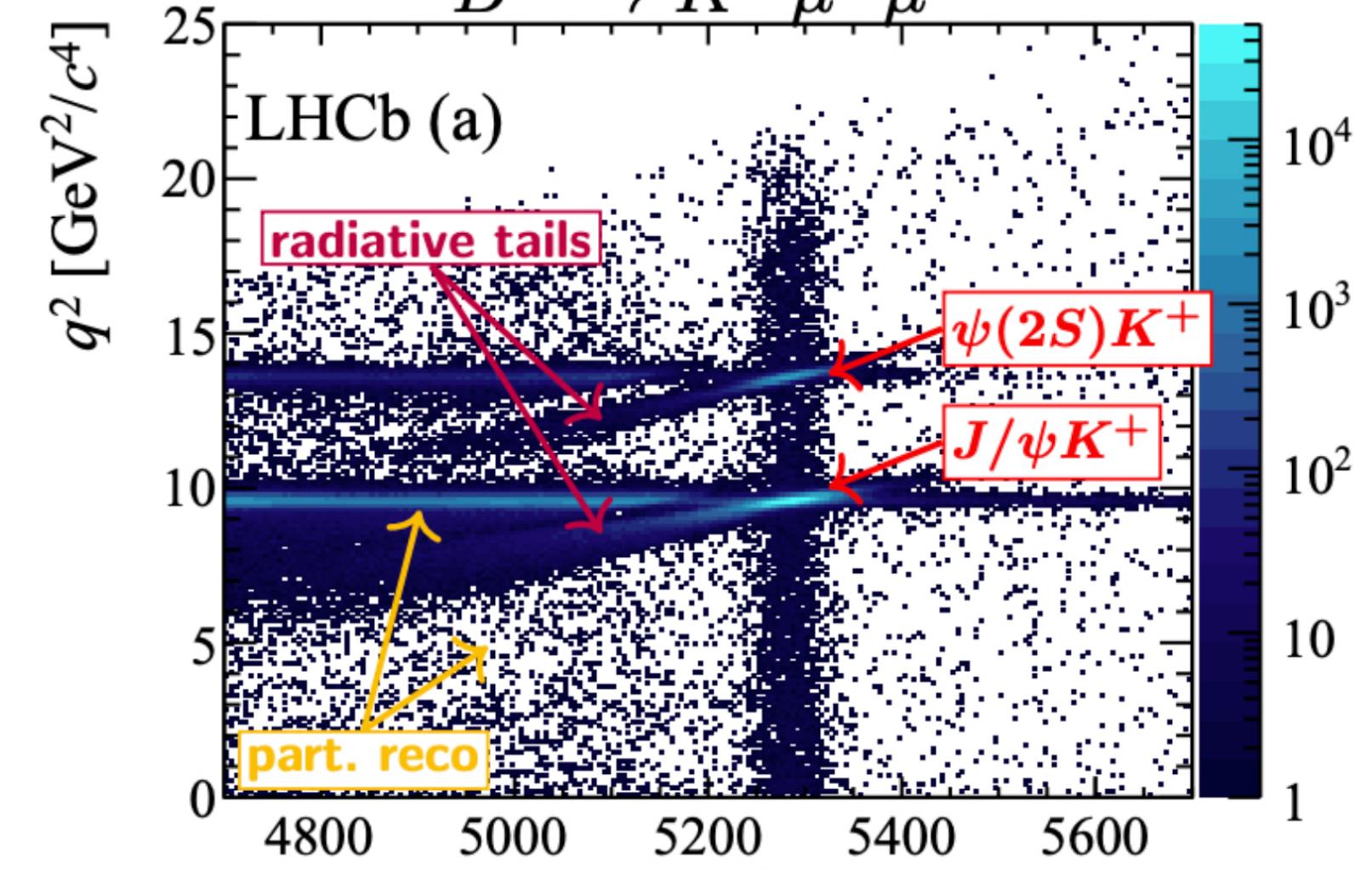


Electrons

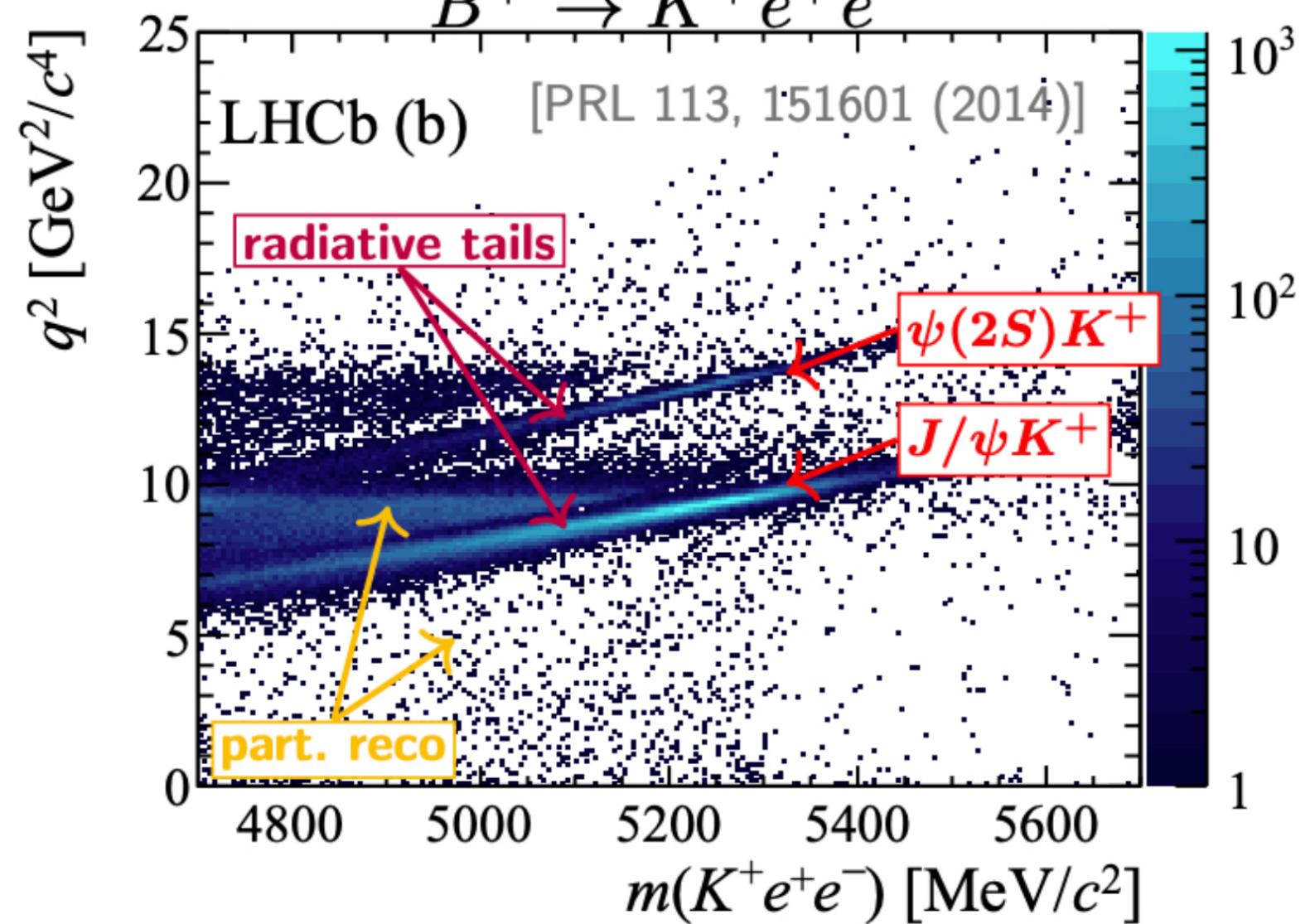
[arxiv:1705.05802]



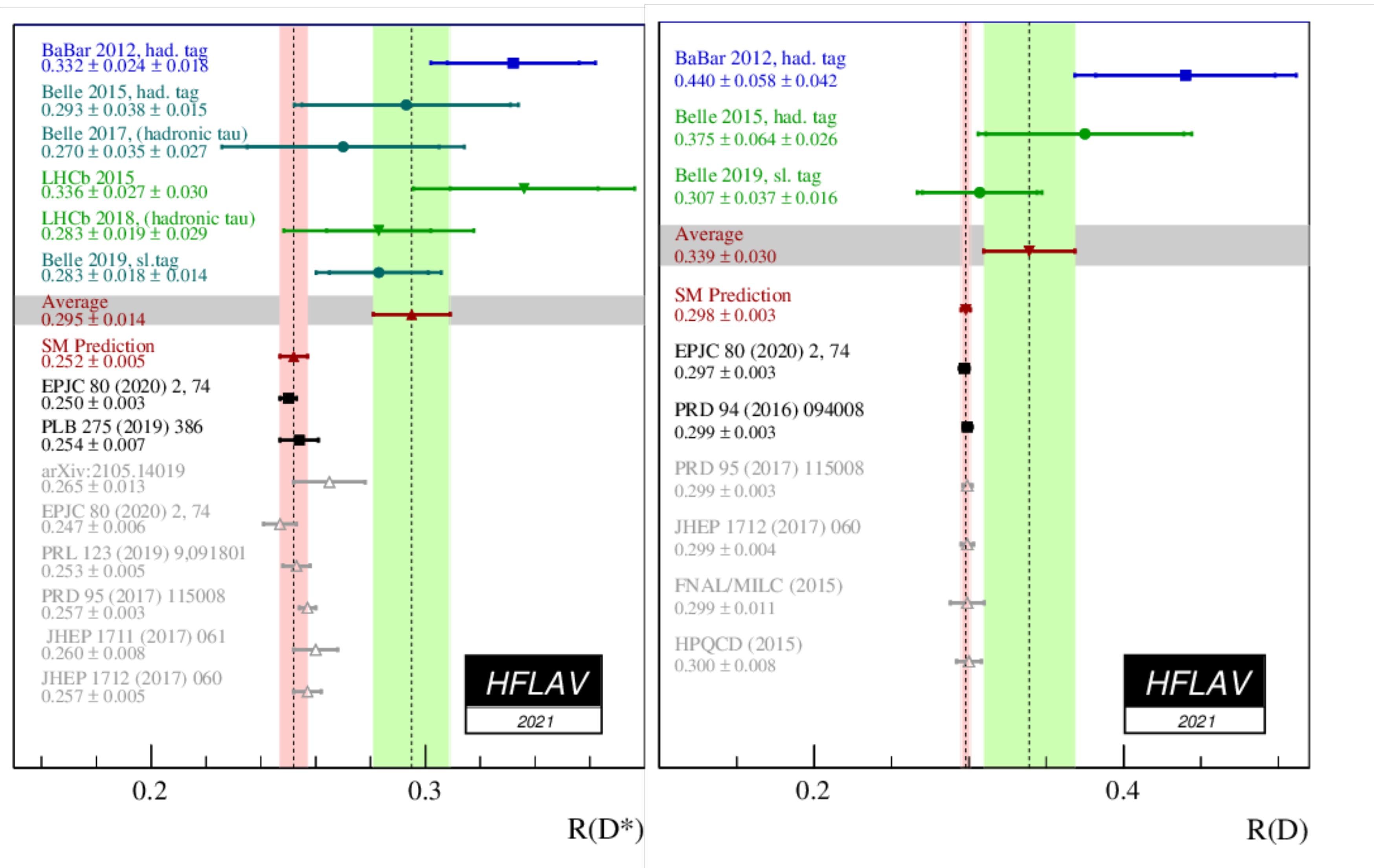
μ/e in $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$



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



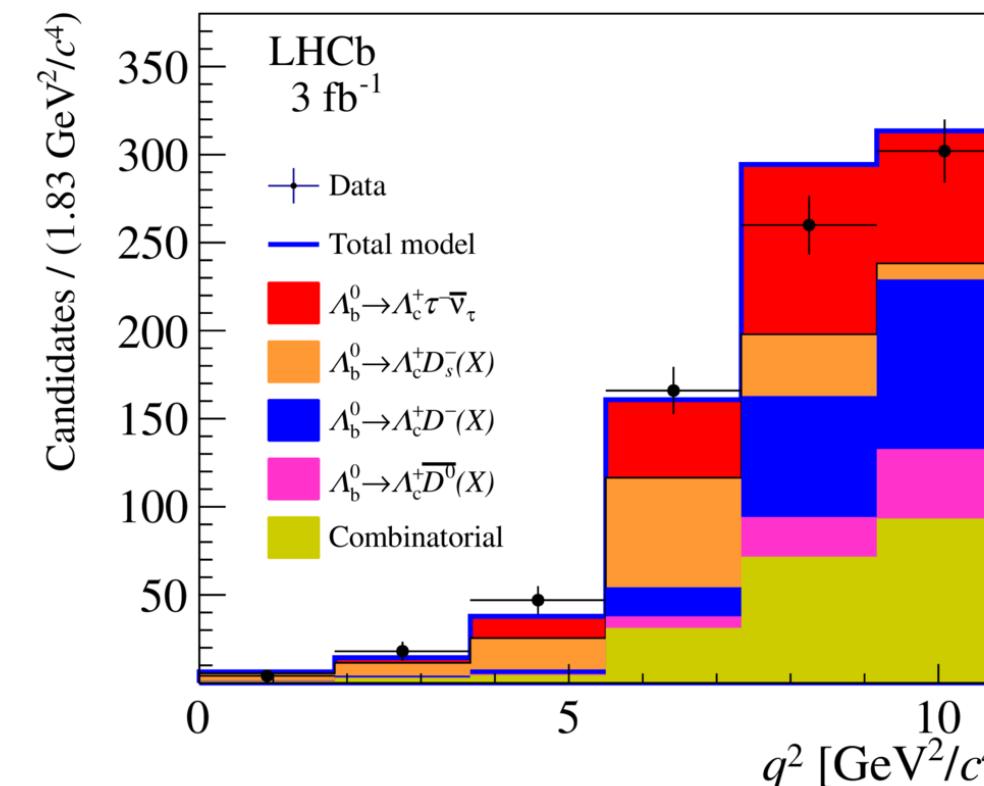
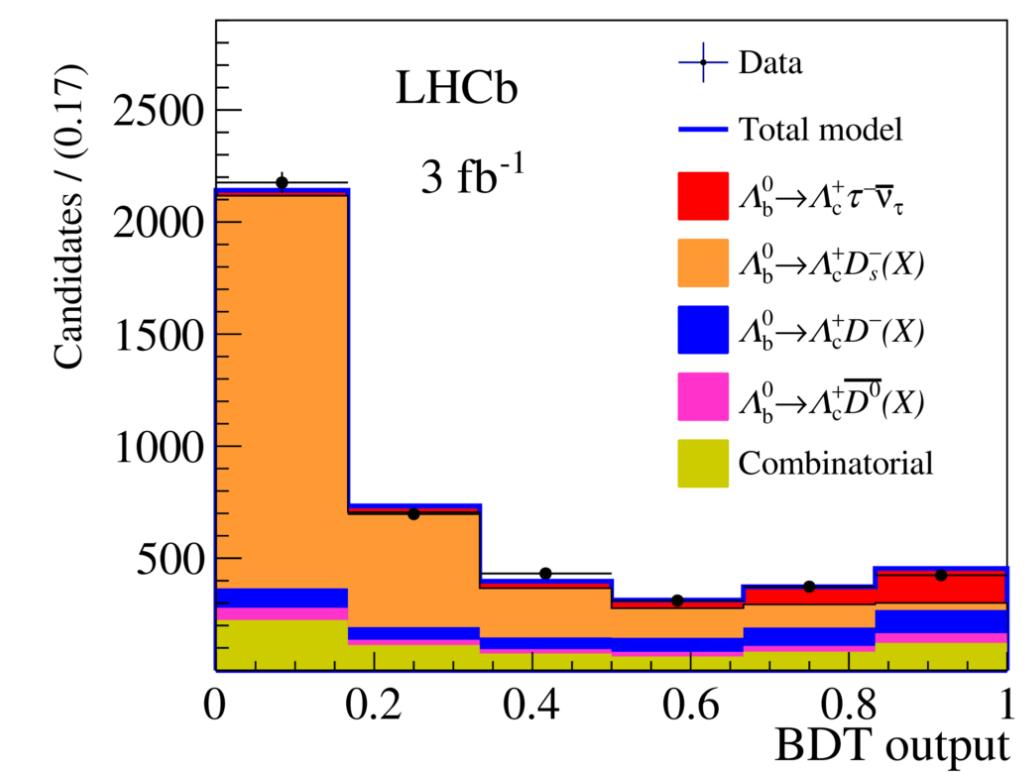
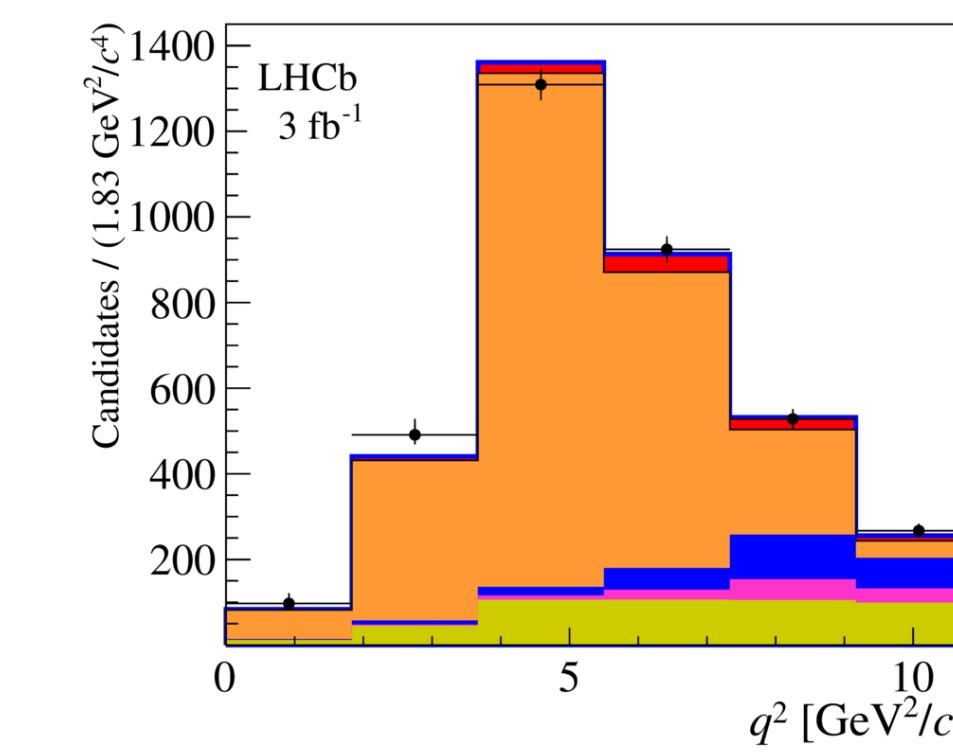
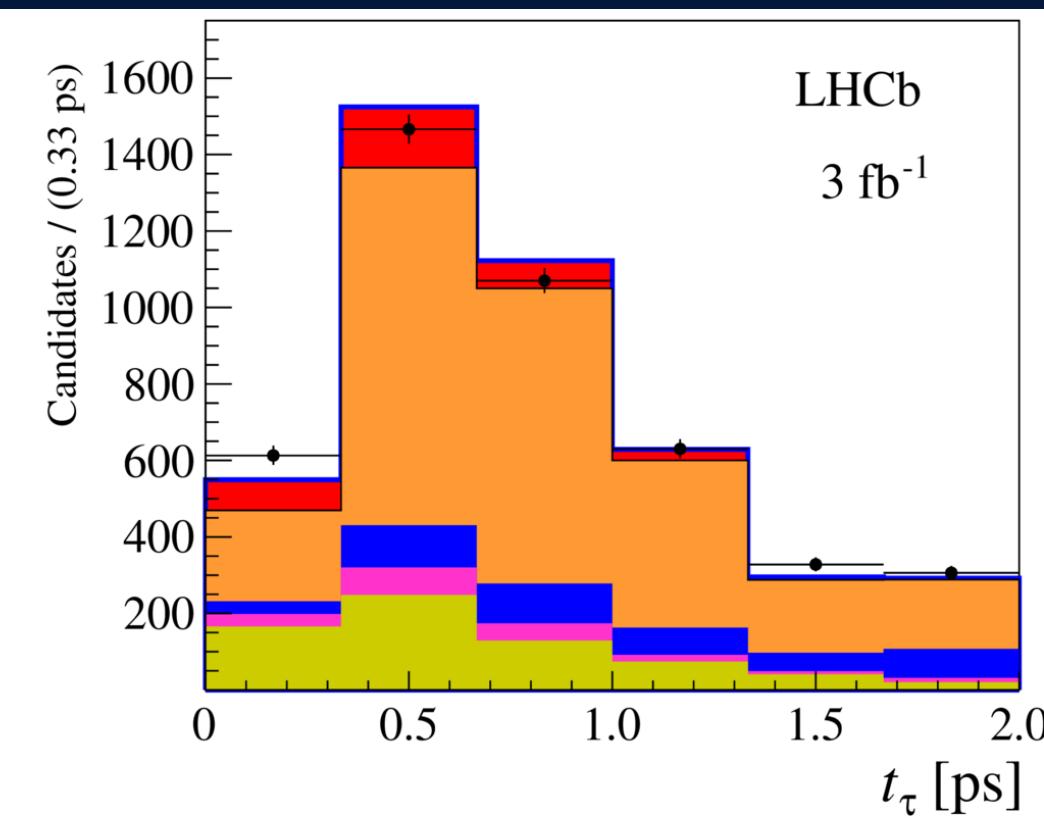
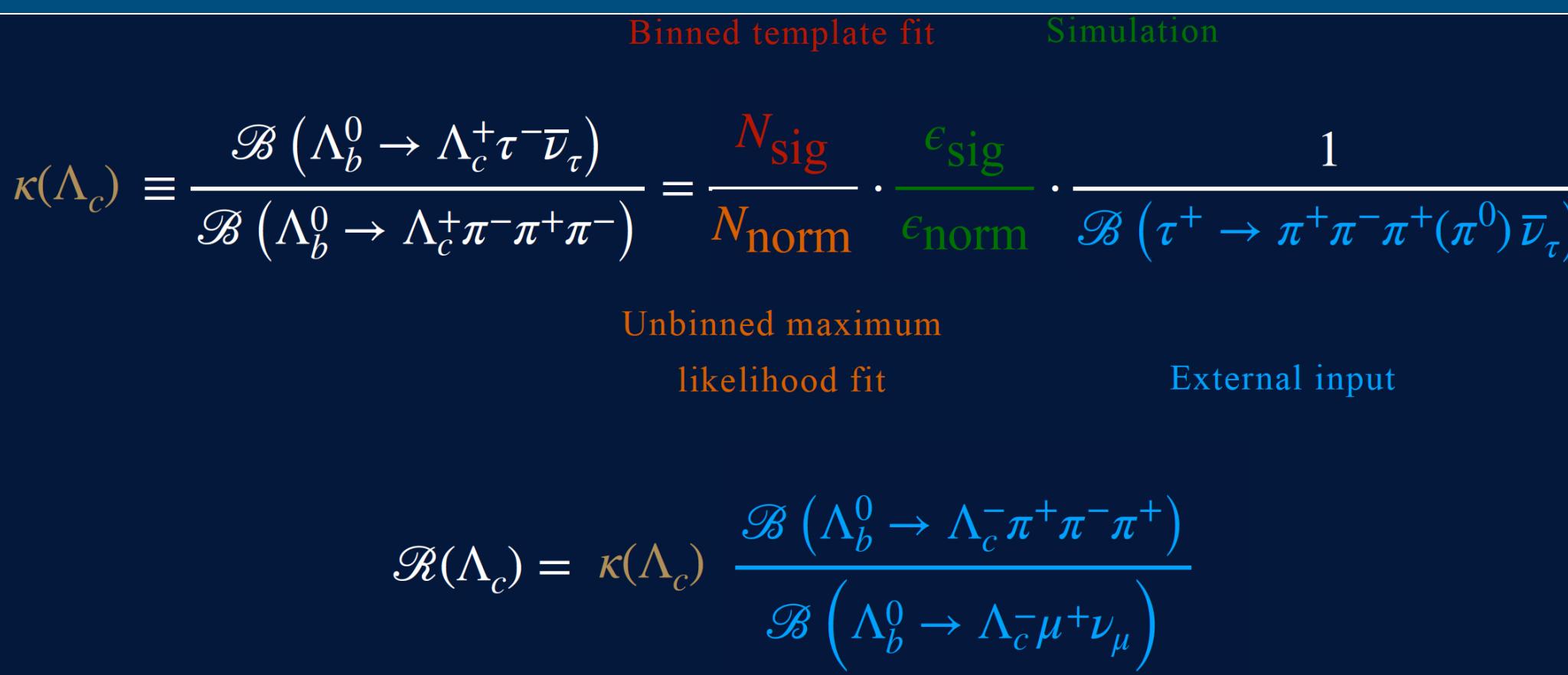
$R(D^*)$, $R(D)$



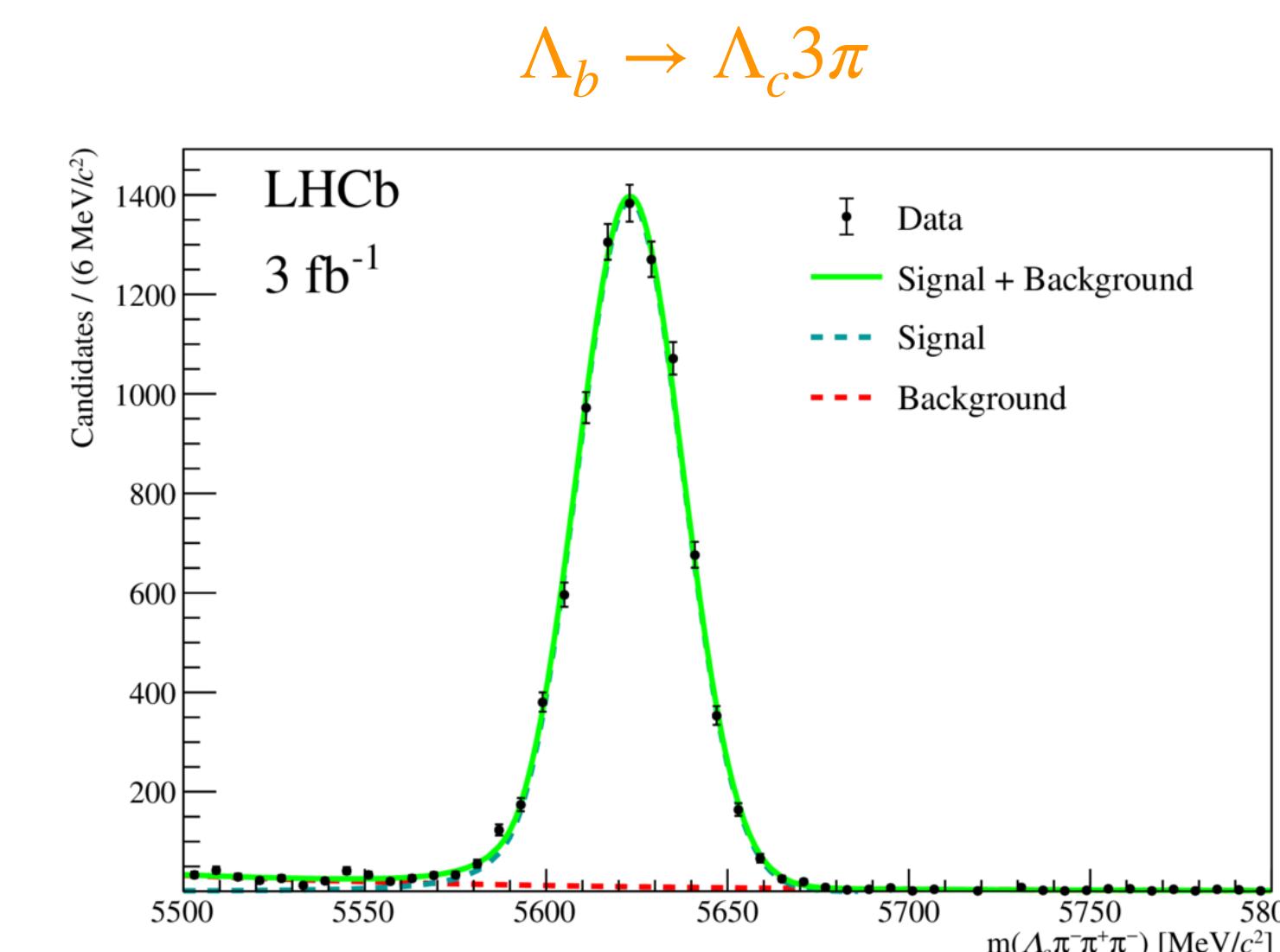
► All lies above SM

$R(\Lambda_c)$ [using Λ_b decays, leptonic τ]

[PRL 128, 191803 (2022)]



Source	$\delta \mathcal{K}(\Lambda_c^+)/\mathcal{K}(\Lambda_c^+) [\%]$
Simulated sample size	3.8
Fit bias	3.9
Signal modelling	2.0
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^{*+} \tau^- \bar{\nu}_\tau$ feeddown	2.5
$D_s^- \rightarrow 3\pi Y$ decay model	2.5
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ D_s^- X, \Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ D^- X, \Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \bar{D}^0 X$ background	4.7
Combinatorial background	0.5
Particle identification and trigger corrections	1.5
Isolation BDT classifier and vertex selection requirements	4.5
D_s^-, D^-, \bar{D}^0 template shapes	13.0
Efficiency ratio	2.8
normalization channel efficiency (modelling of $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ 3\pi$)	3.0
Total uncertainty	16.5



$R(J/\psi)$ [using B_c decays, leptonic τ]

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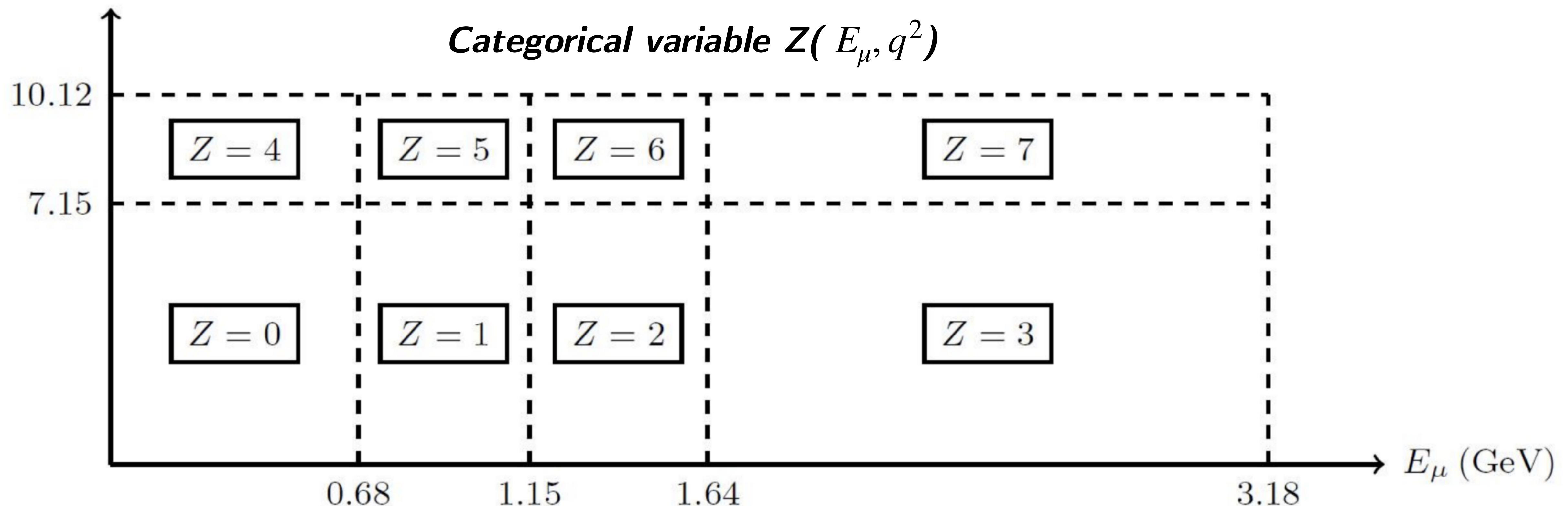
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Template fit

(Z, m_{miss}^2, t_τ)

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q^2 (GeV 2)



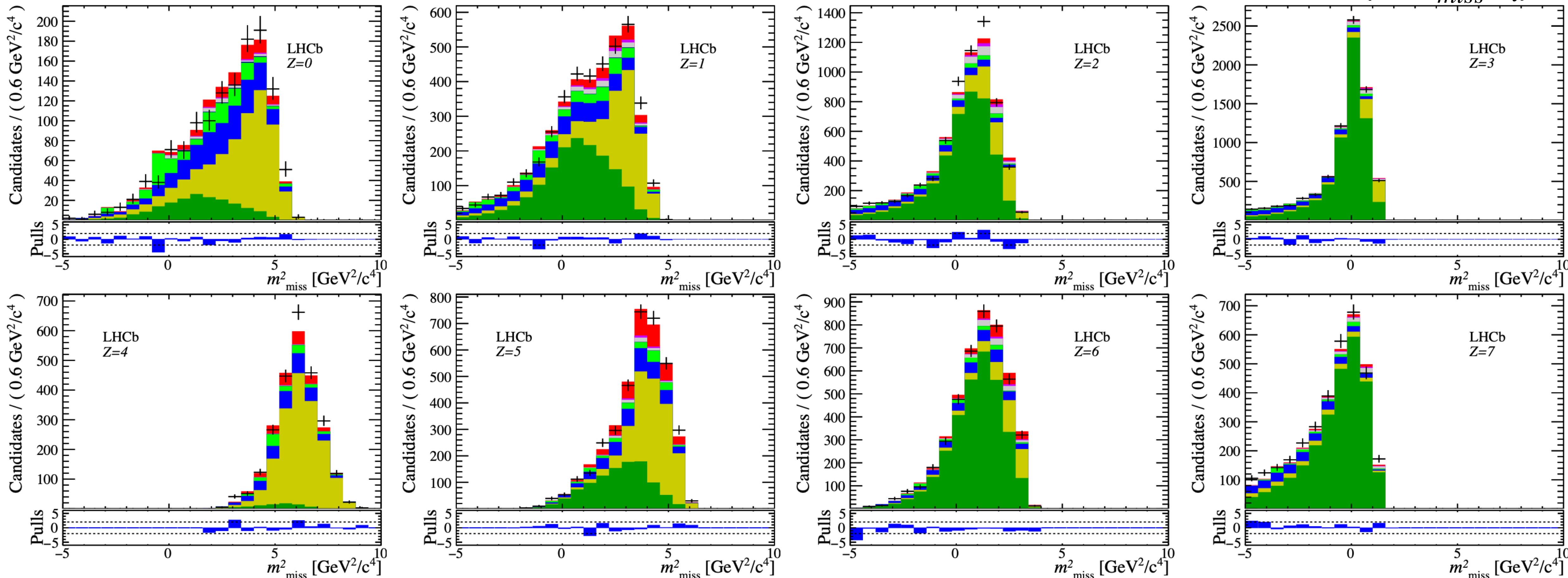
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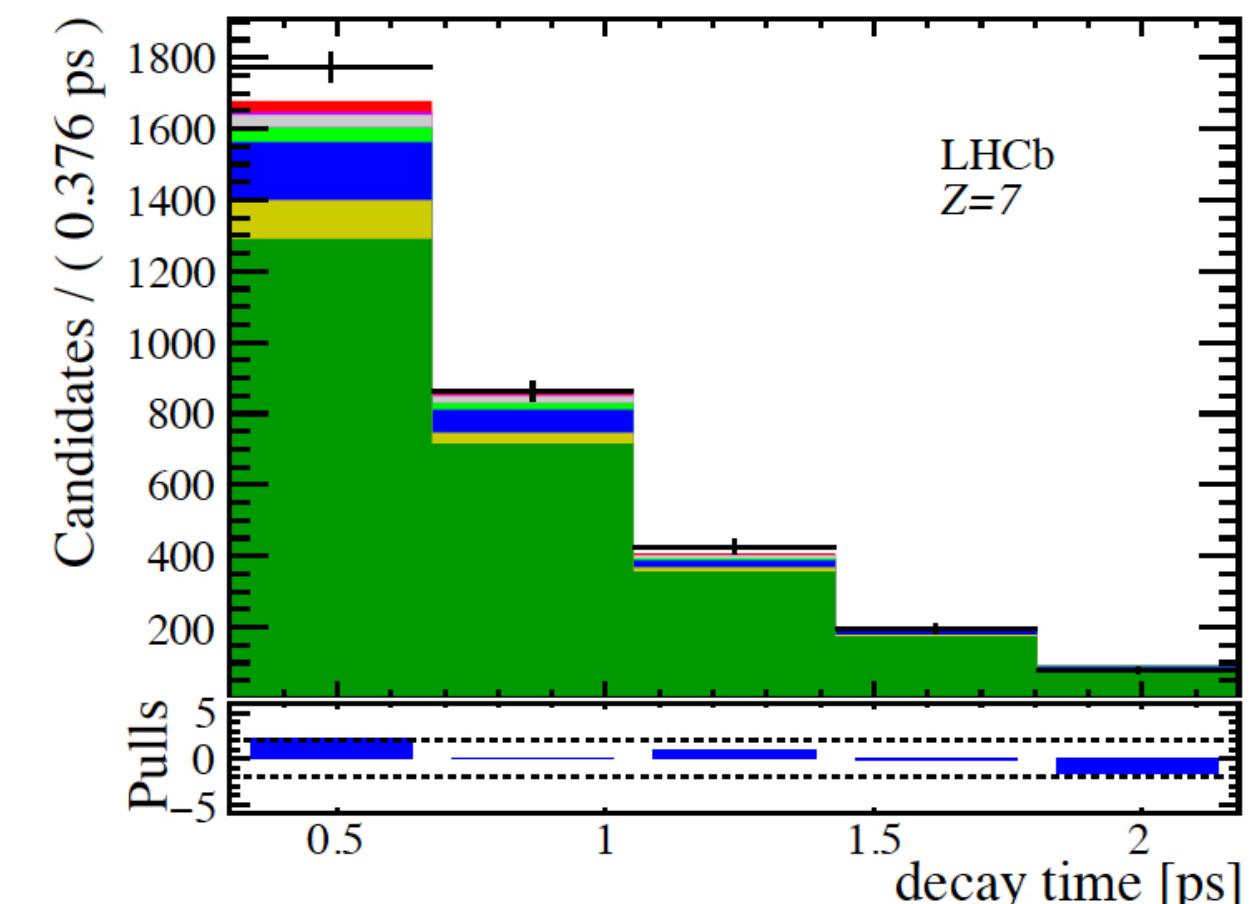
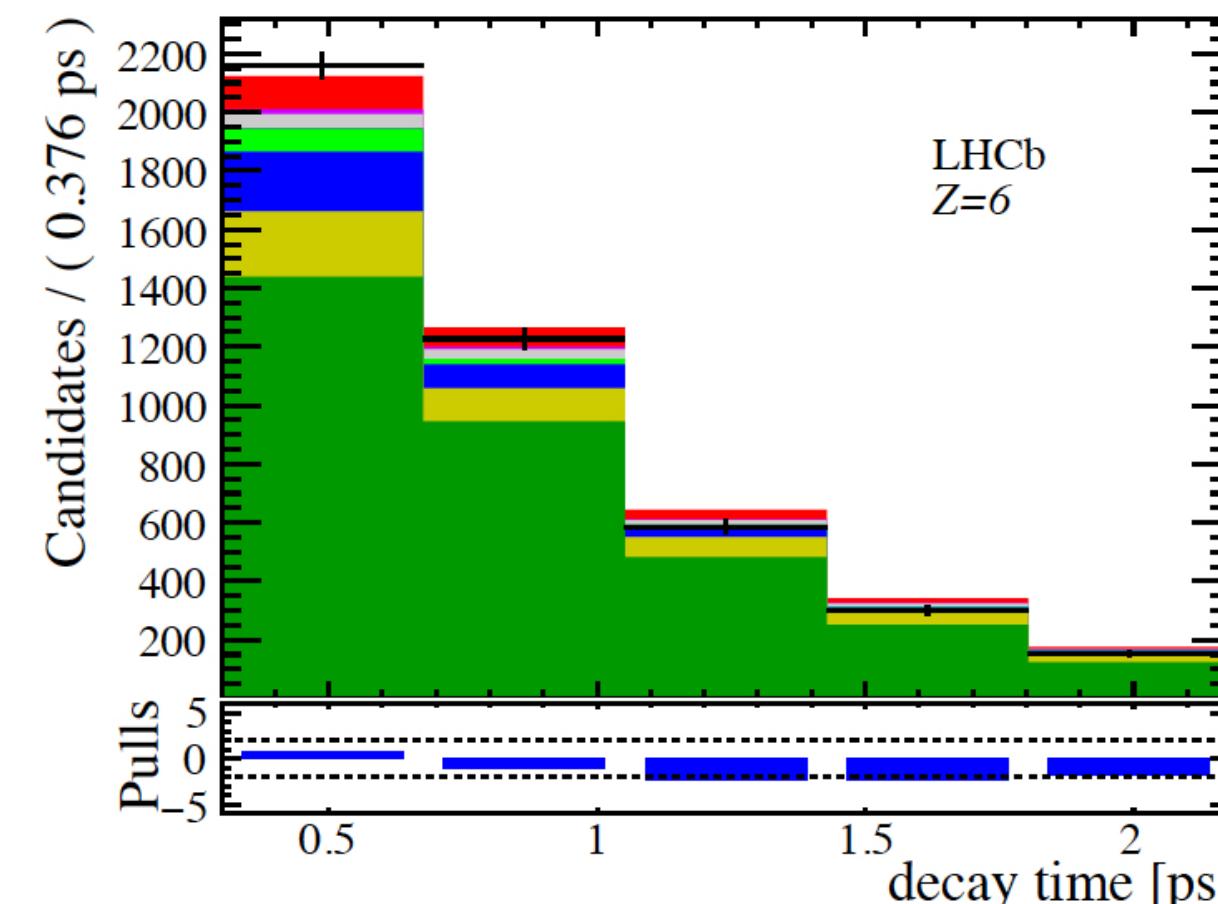
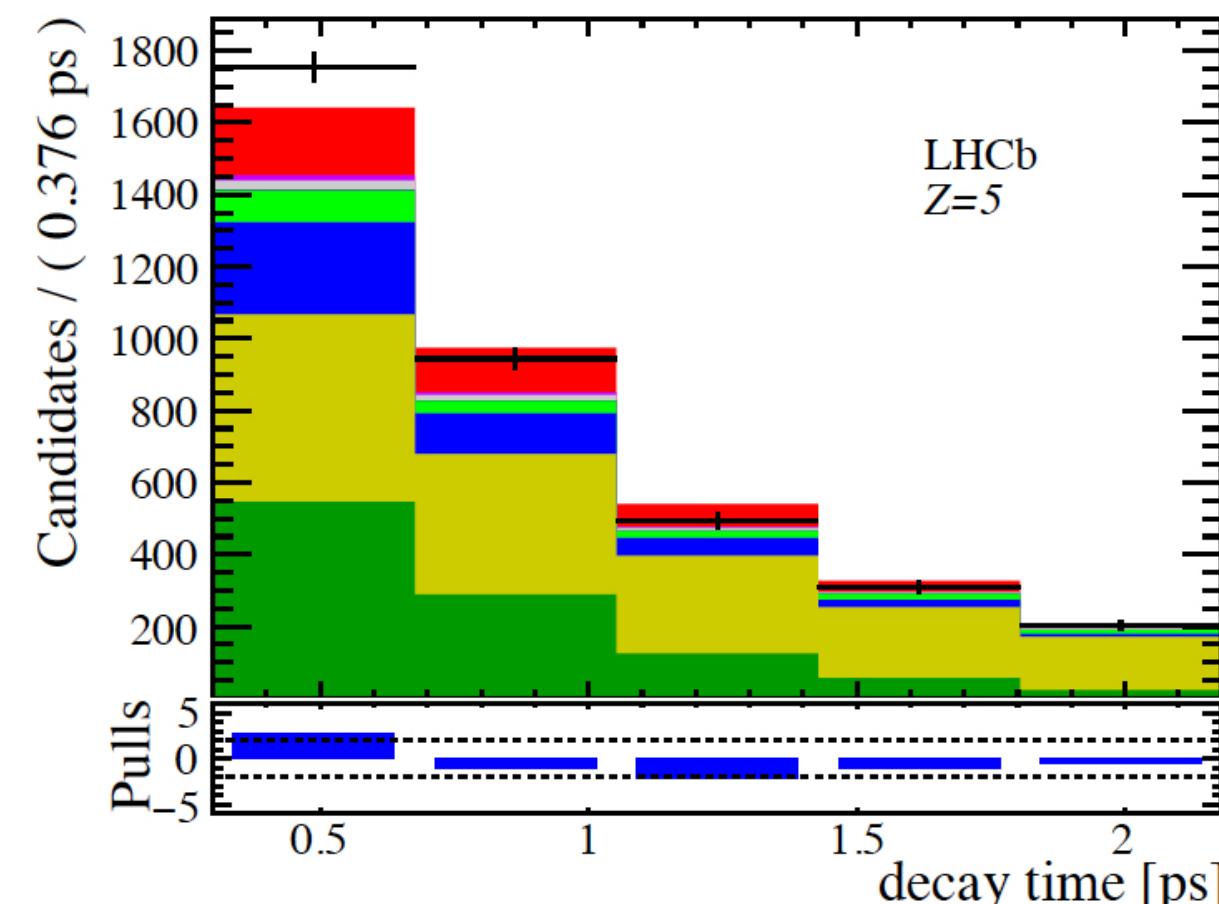
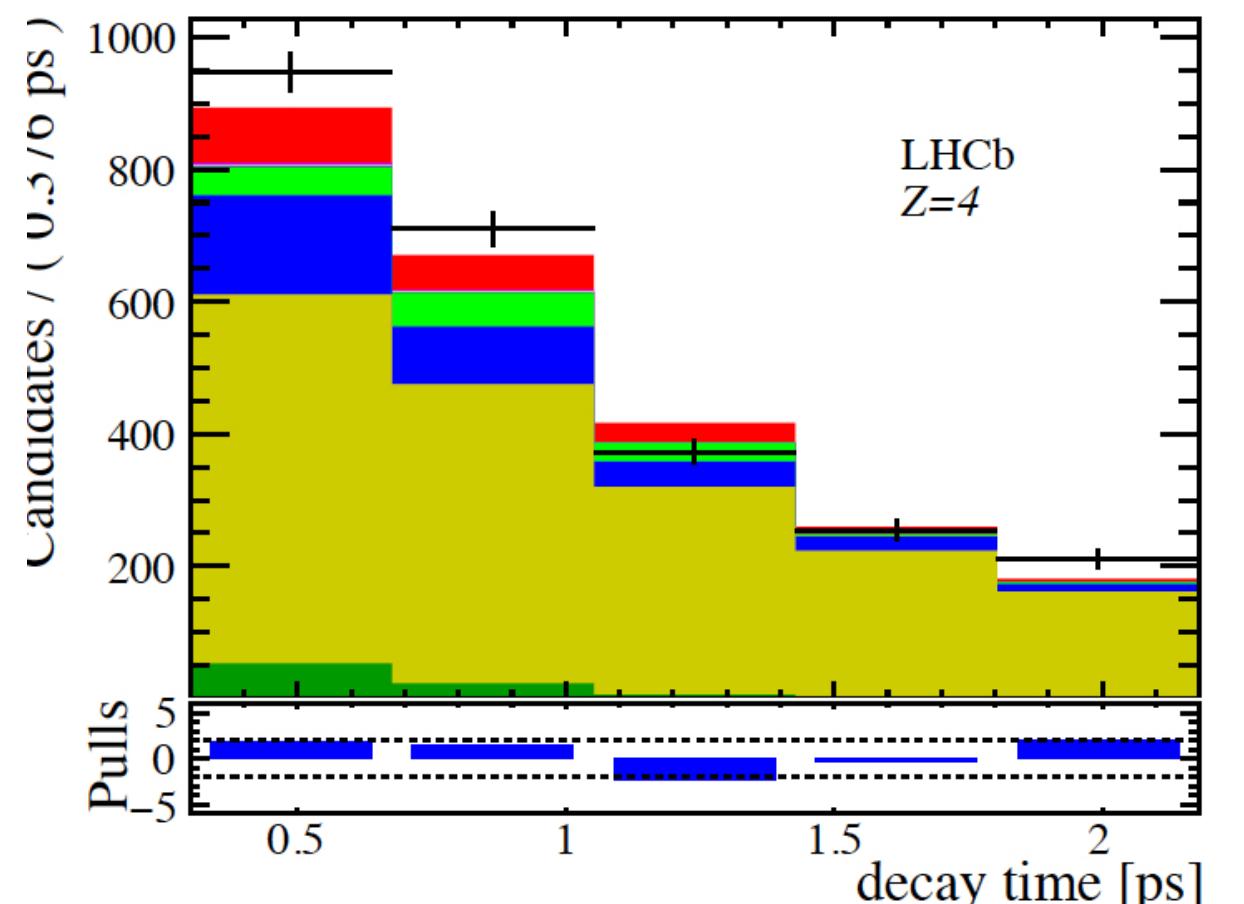
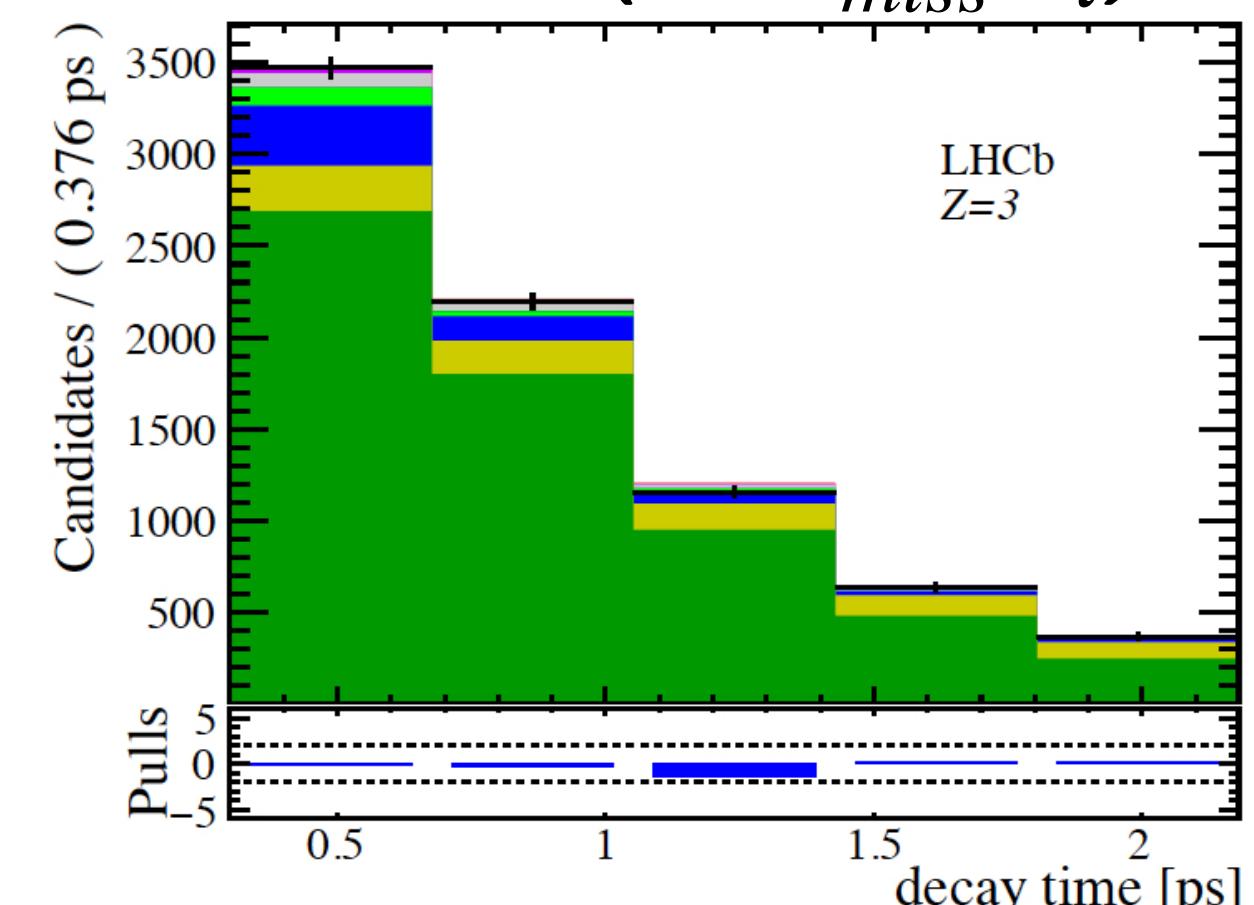
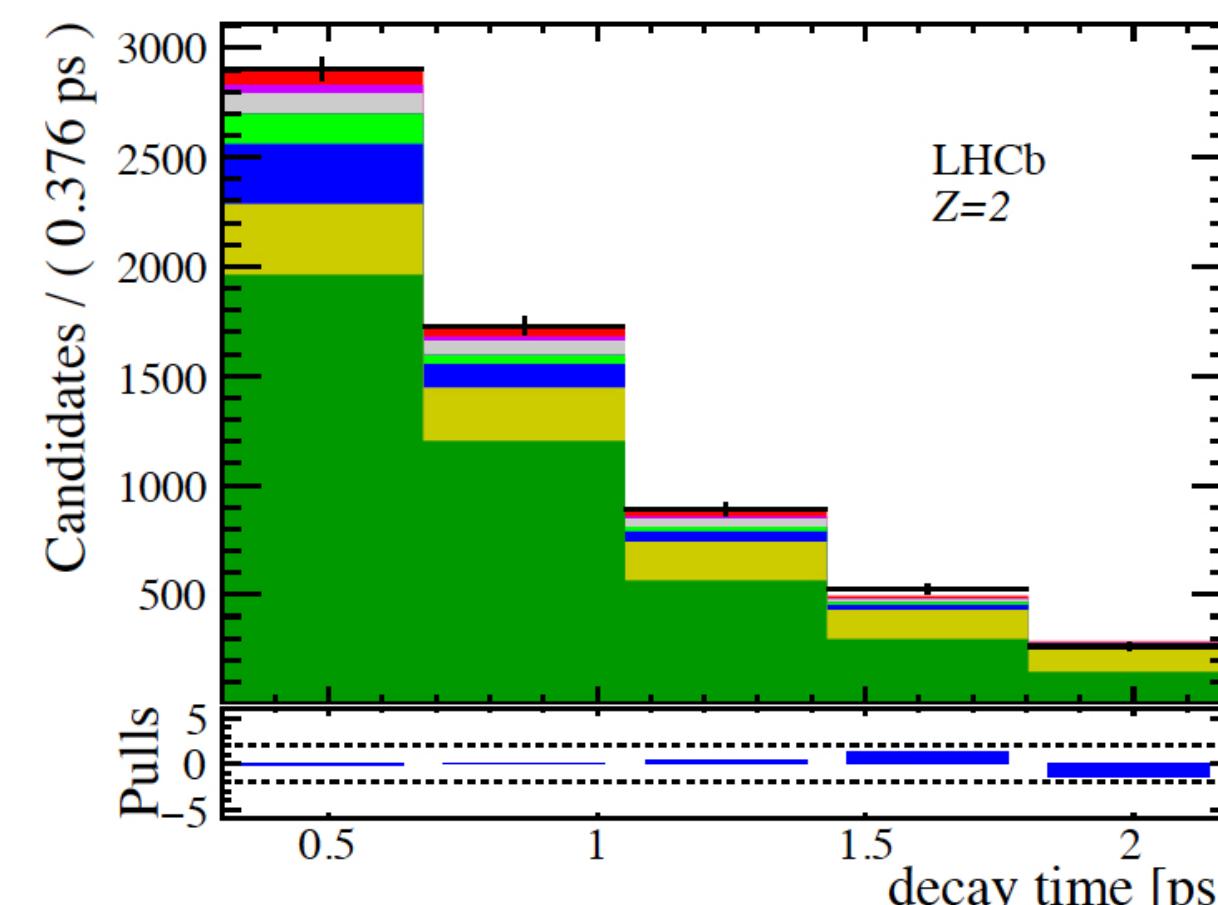
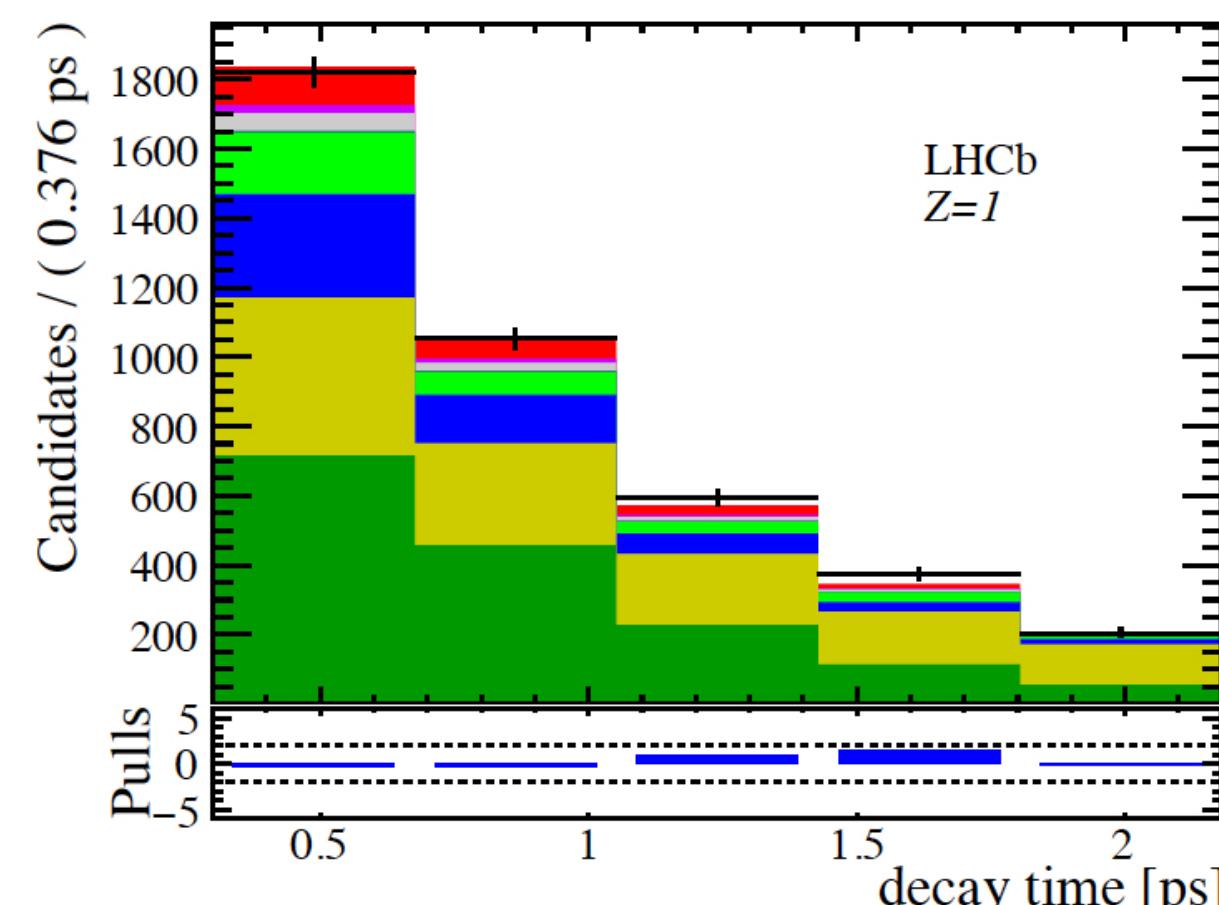
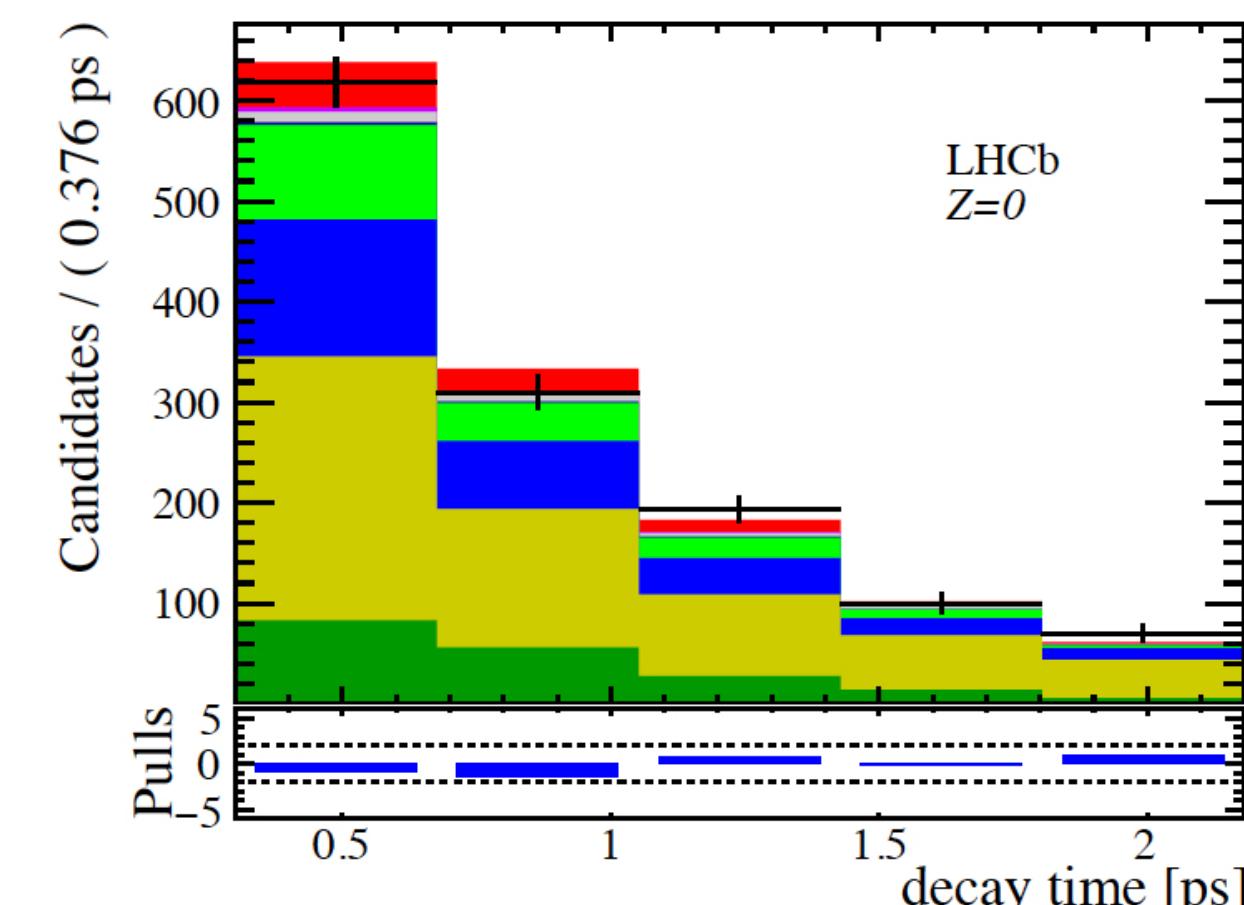
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Template fit
(Z, m_{miss}^2, t_τ)**



$R(J/\psi)$ [using B_c decays, leptonic τ], systematics

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Source of uncertainty	Size ($\times 10^{-2}$)
Finite simulation size	8.0
$B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi$ form factors	12.1
$B_c^+ \rightarrow \psi(2S)$ form factors	3.2
Fit bias correction	5.4
Z binning strategy	5.6
Mis-ID background strategy	5.6
combinatorial background cocktail	4.5
combinatorial J/ψ background scaling	0.9
$B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi H_c X$ contribution	3.6
$\psi(2S)$ and χ_c feed-down	0.9
Weighting of simulation samples	1.6
Efficiency ratio	0.6
$\mathcal{B}(\tau^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_\tau)$	0.2
Systematic uncertainty	17.7
Statistical uncertainty	17.3

