

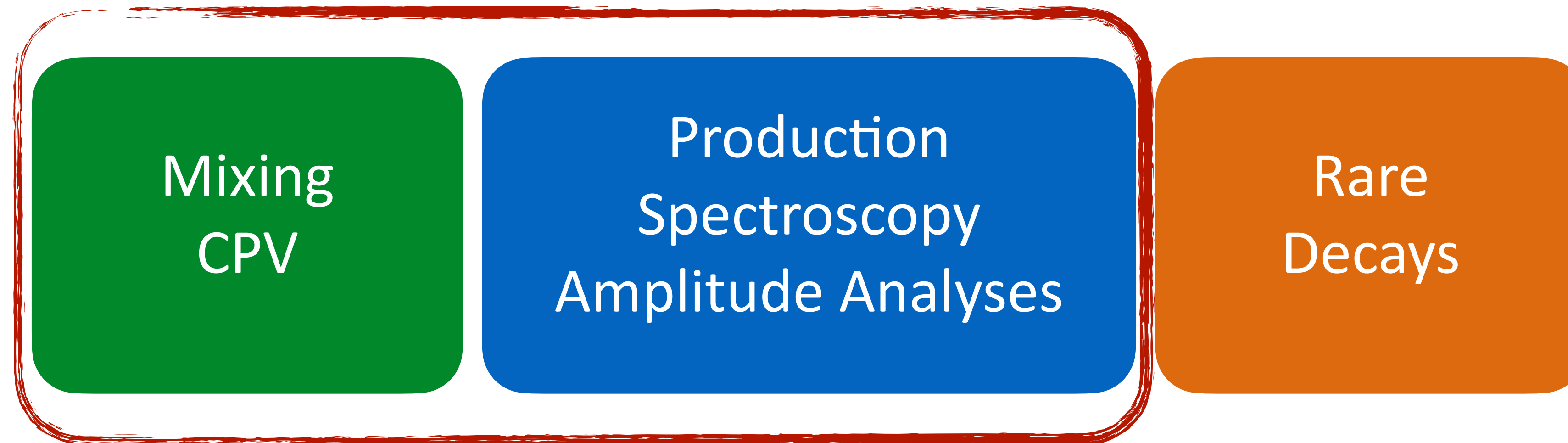
# New Results in Charm Physics at LHCb

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# *Charm Physics @ LHCb*

# Charm Physics

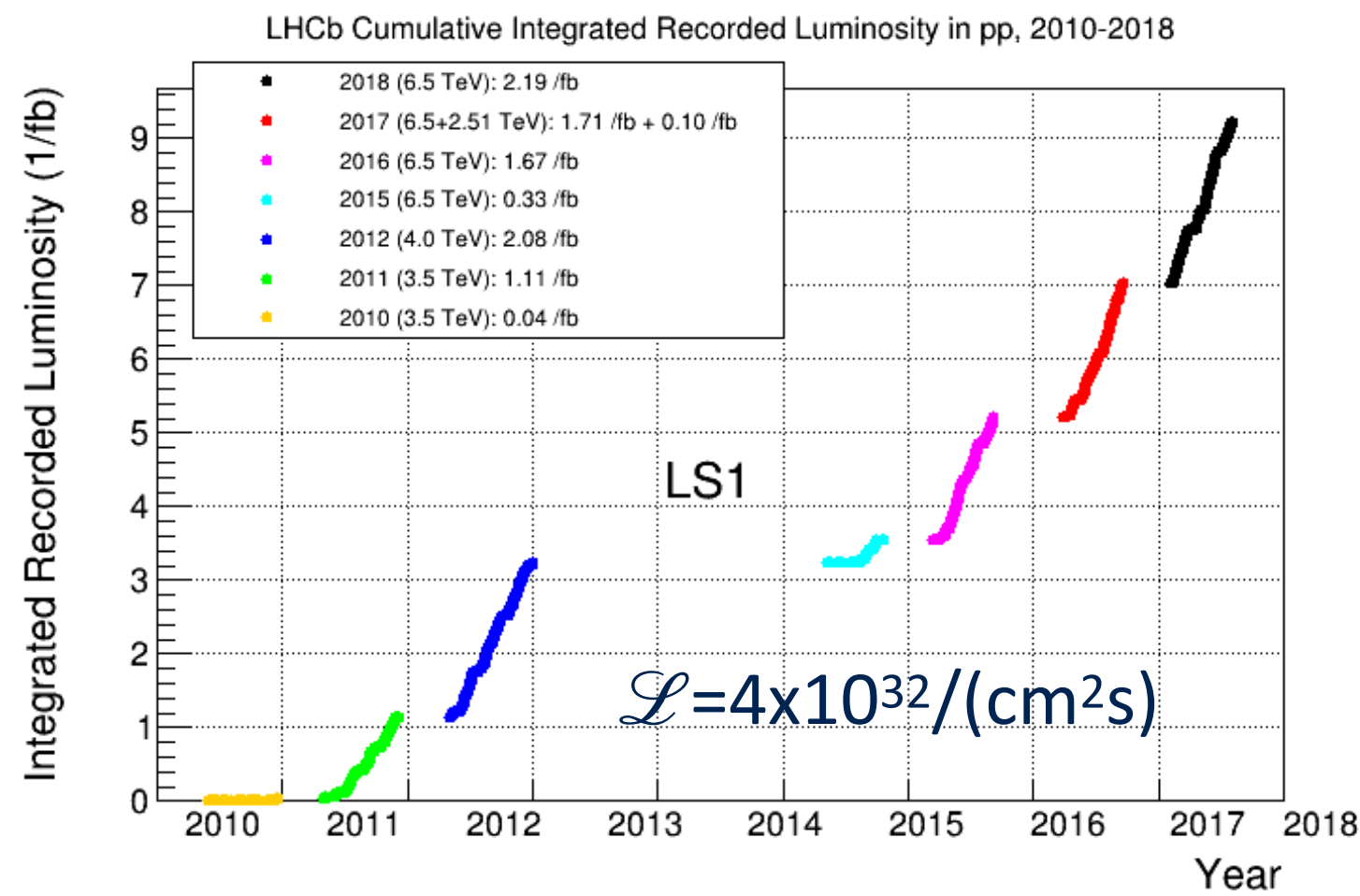


*This talk*

# The LHCb Experiment

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Charm quarks produced in high  $\eta$  at LHC  
 $\sigma(pp \rightarrow c\bar{c}) \sim 20\sigma(pp \rightarrow b\bar{b})$



$$\epsilon_{\text{VELO}} \approx 98\%$$

$$\delta t/t = 45 \text{ fs}$$

$$\sigma(\text{IP}) \approx 20 \mu\text{m}$$

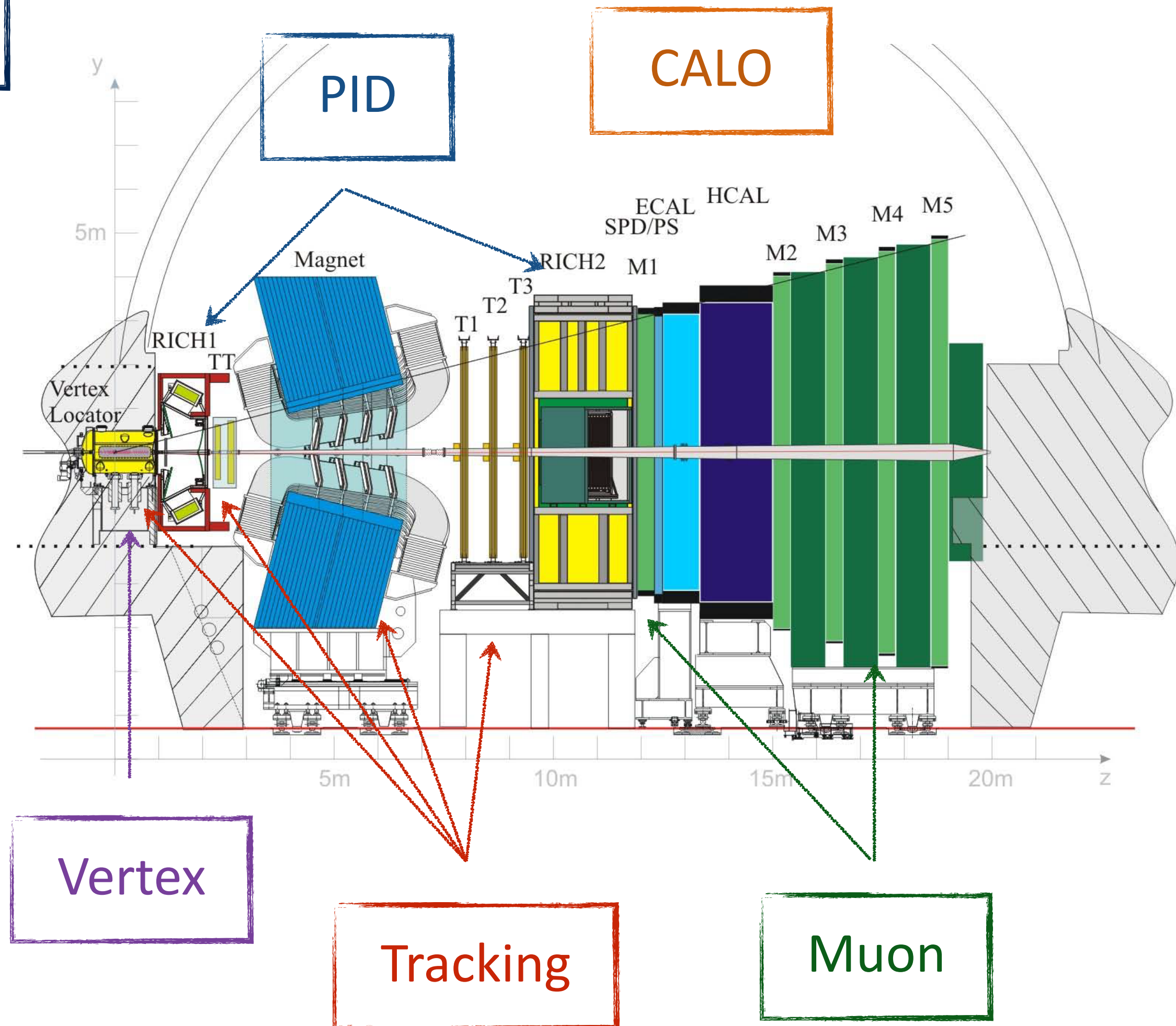
$$\delta p/p \approx 0.5\%$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{Track}} \approx 95\%$$

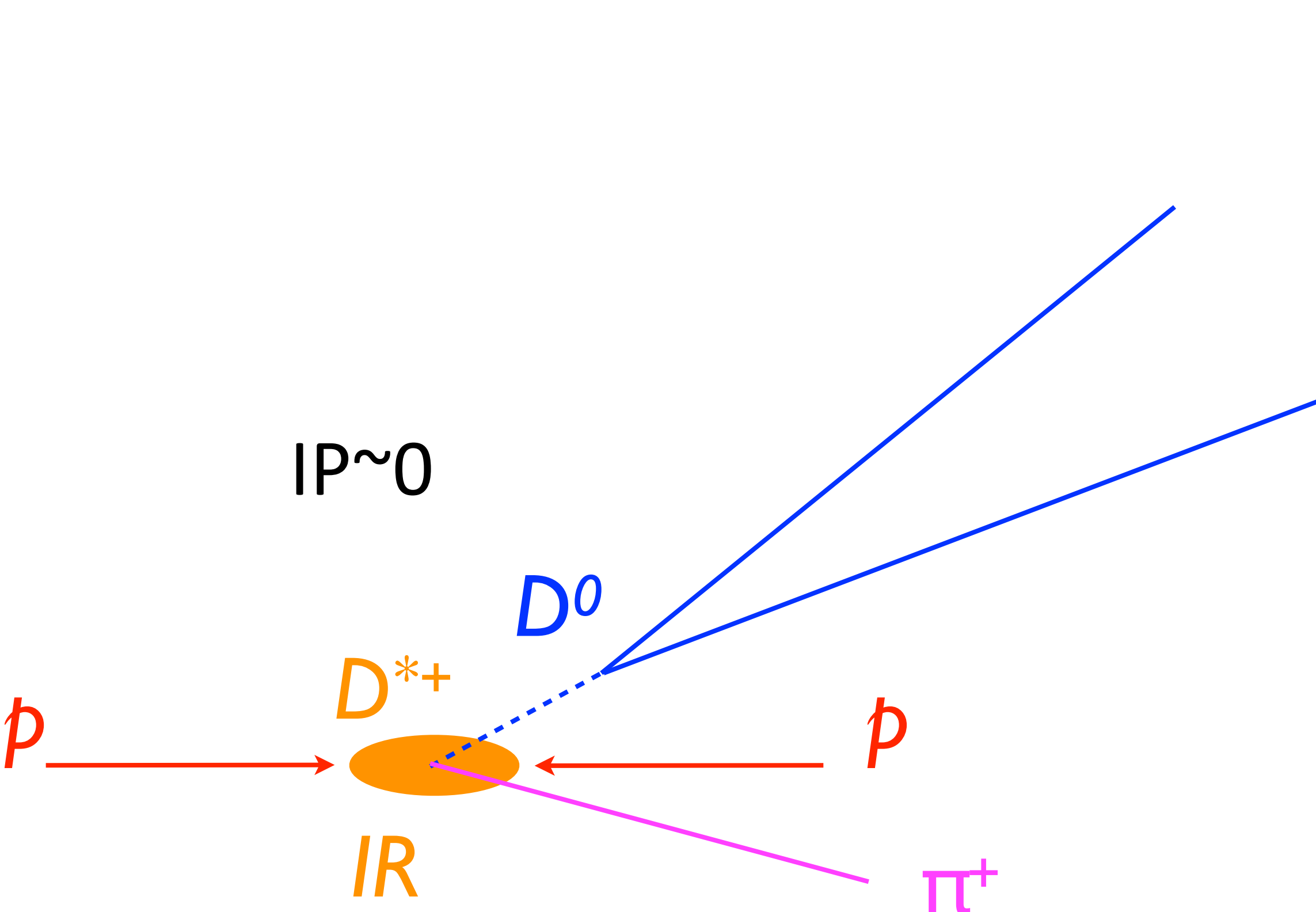
$$\epsilon_{\text{PID(K)}} \approx 95\%$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{PID}(\mu)} \approx 97\%$$

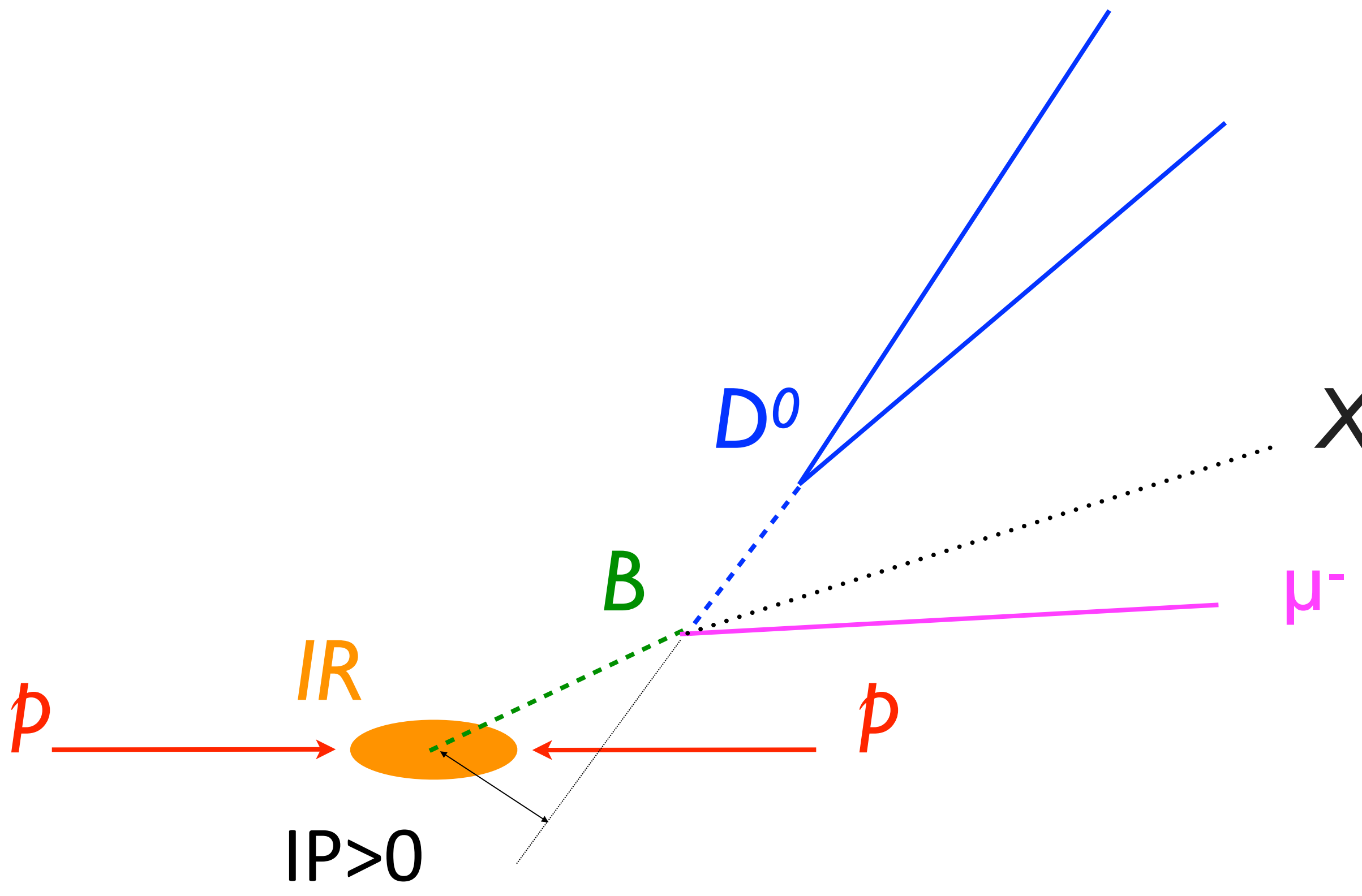
$$\epsilon_{\text{PID}(e)} \approx 90\%$$



# Charm Production at LHCb



**Prompt**  
**( $\pi$ -tagged)**



**Secondary**  
**( $\mu$ -tagged)**

# *Mixing and CP Violation*

## *Experimental Status*

# Why Studying Mixing and CPV in Charm Decays?

## Unique

- Only up-type quark decay in which new physics couplings can be probed

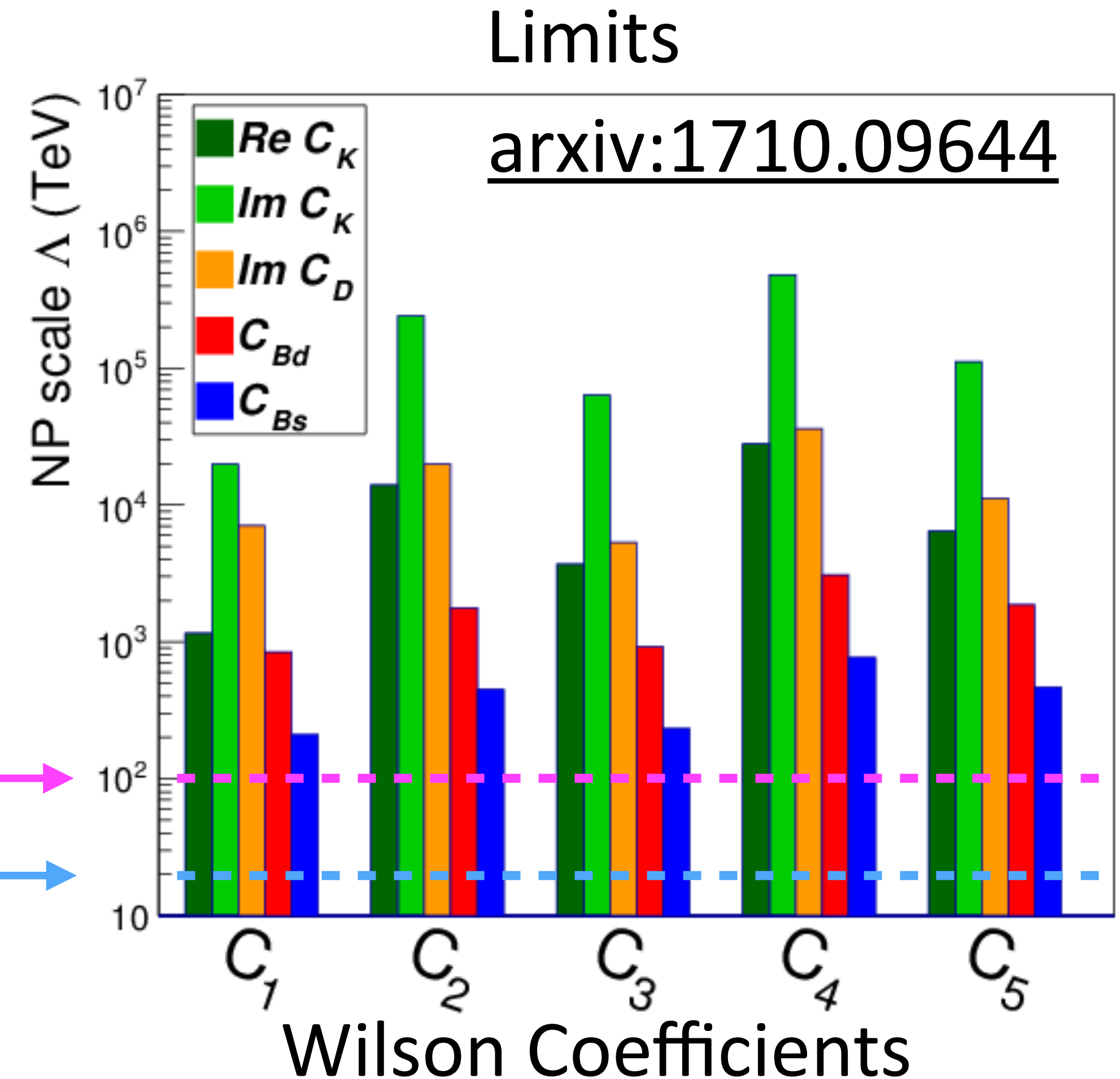
## Discovery Tool

- Indirect CPV in Charm decays could probe extremely high BSM scales and are highly suppressed in the SM
- Complementary to direct searches for BSM particles
- We have billions of decays ready to be studied at LHCb!

## Challenging

- Predictions are difficult (not a precision probe)
- Interesting laboratory for non-perturbative QCD and (exotic) hadron dynamics

FCC →  
LHC →



# 2019: First Observation of CP Violation in Charm

PRL122 (2019) 211803

**symmetry**  
dimensions of particle physics

topics

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A joint Fermilab/SLAC publication

## LHCb discovers matter-antimatter asymmetry in charm quarks

03/21/19 | By Sarah Charley

A new observation by the LHCb experiment finds that charm quarks behave differently than their antiparticle counterparts.

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## LHCb sees a new flavour of matter-antimatter asymmetry

The LHCb collaboration has observed a phenomenon known as CP violation in the decays of a particle known as a D0 meson for the first time

21 MARCH, 2019





# Today: Observation of $D^0$ eigenstates mass difference!

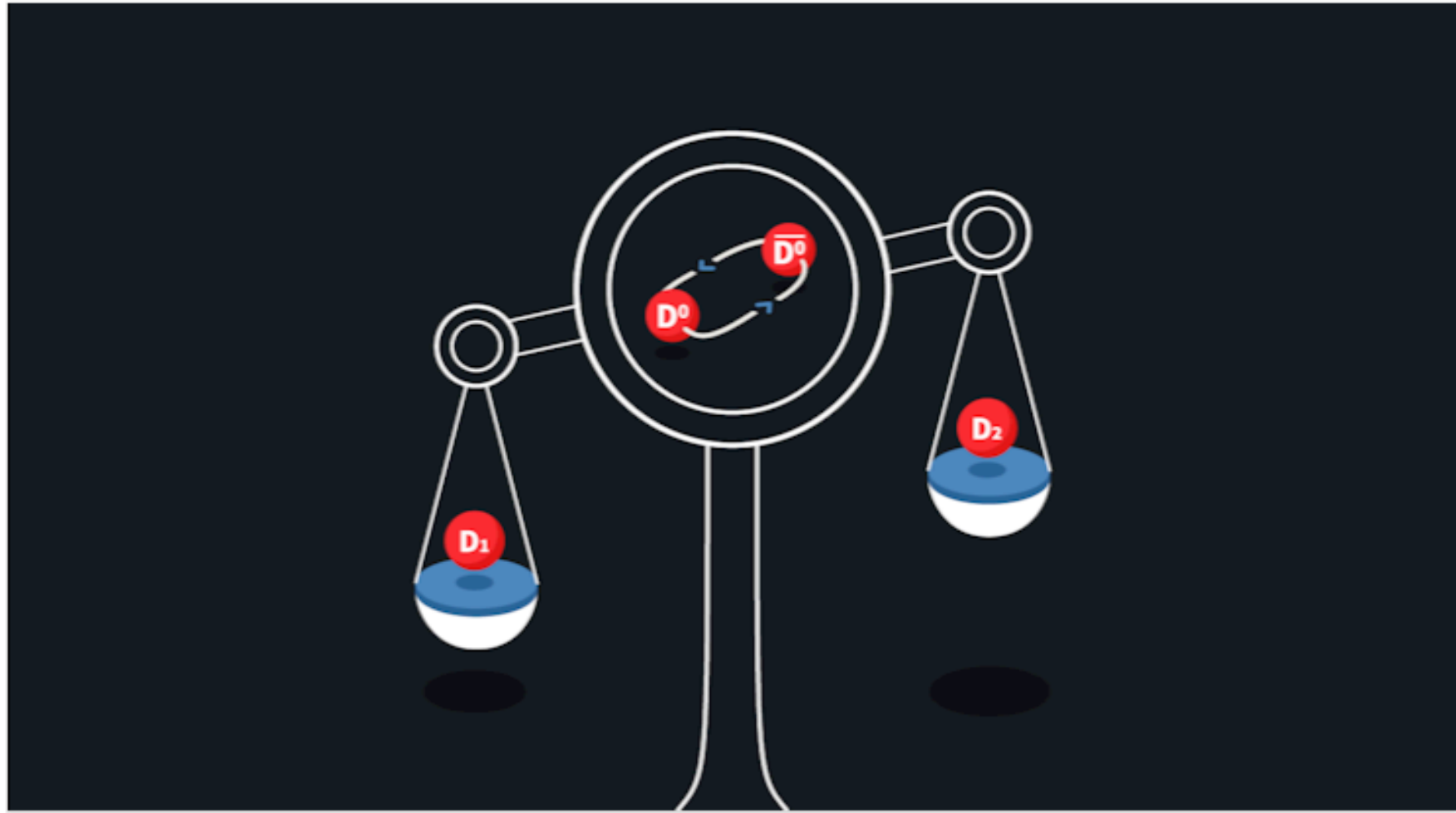
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## LHCb measures tiny mass difference between particles

The result is a milestone in the study of how a particle known as a  $D^0$  meson changes from matter into antimatter and back

8 JUNE, 2021 | By Ana Lopes



The LHCb collaboration has measured the tiny mass difference between the  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  mesons, which are a manifestation of the quantum superposition of the  $D^0$  particle and its antiparticle. This mass difference controls the speed of the  $D^0$  oscillation into its antiparticle and back. (Image: CERN)

The [LHCb](#) collaboration has measured a difference in mass between two particles of 0.001 grams – or, in scientific notation,  $10^{-38}$  g. The result, reported in a [paper](#) just submitted for publication in the journal *Physical Review Letters* and presented today at a [CERN seminar](#), marks a milestone in the study of how a particle known as a  $D^0$  meson changes from matter into [antimatter](#) and back.

# Mixing and CP Violation

## Neutral Mesons Mixing

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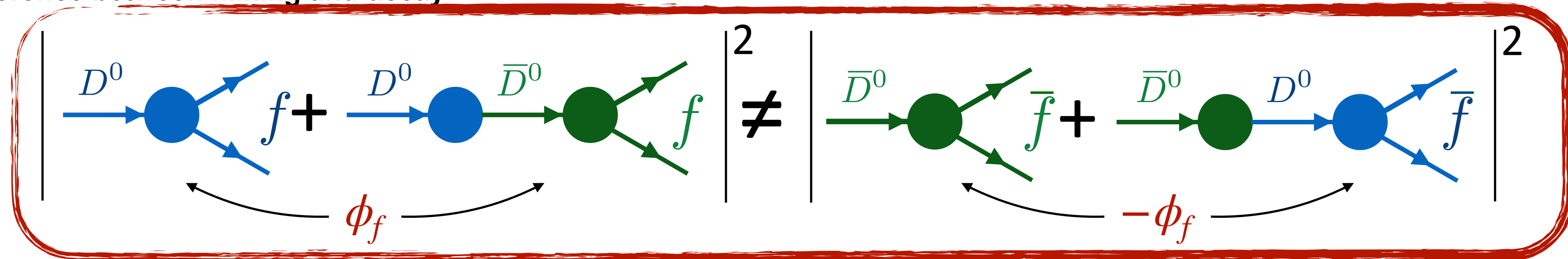
$$|D_2\rangle = p |D^0\rangle - q |\bar{D}^0\rangle$$

$$\text{With } x = \frac{m_2 - m_1}{\Gamma} \text{ and } y = \frac{\Gamma_2 - \Gamma_1}{2\Gamma} \left( \text{with } \Gamma = \frac{\Gamma_2 + \Gamma_1}{2} \right)$$

## CP Asymmetry

- Interference between mixing and decay

$$\phi_f = \arg \frac{q \bar{A}_f}{p A_f} \neq 0 \implies \text{CPV}$$



$$\text{i.e.: } A \propto x \sin \phi_f \left( \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| - \left| \frac{p}{q} \right| \right) + y \cos \phi_f \left( \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| + \left| \frac{p}{q} \right| \right)$$

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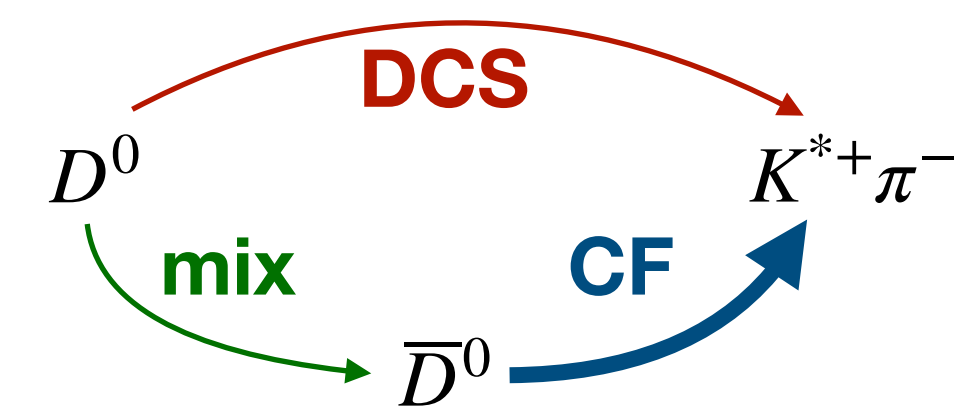
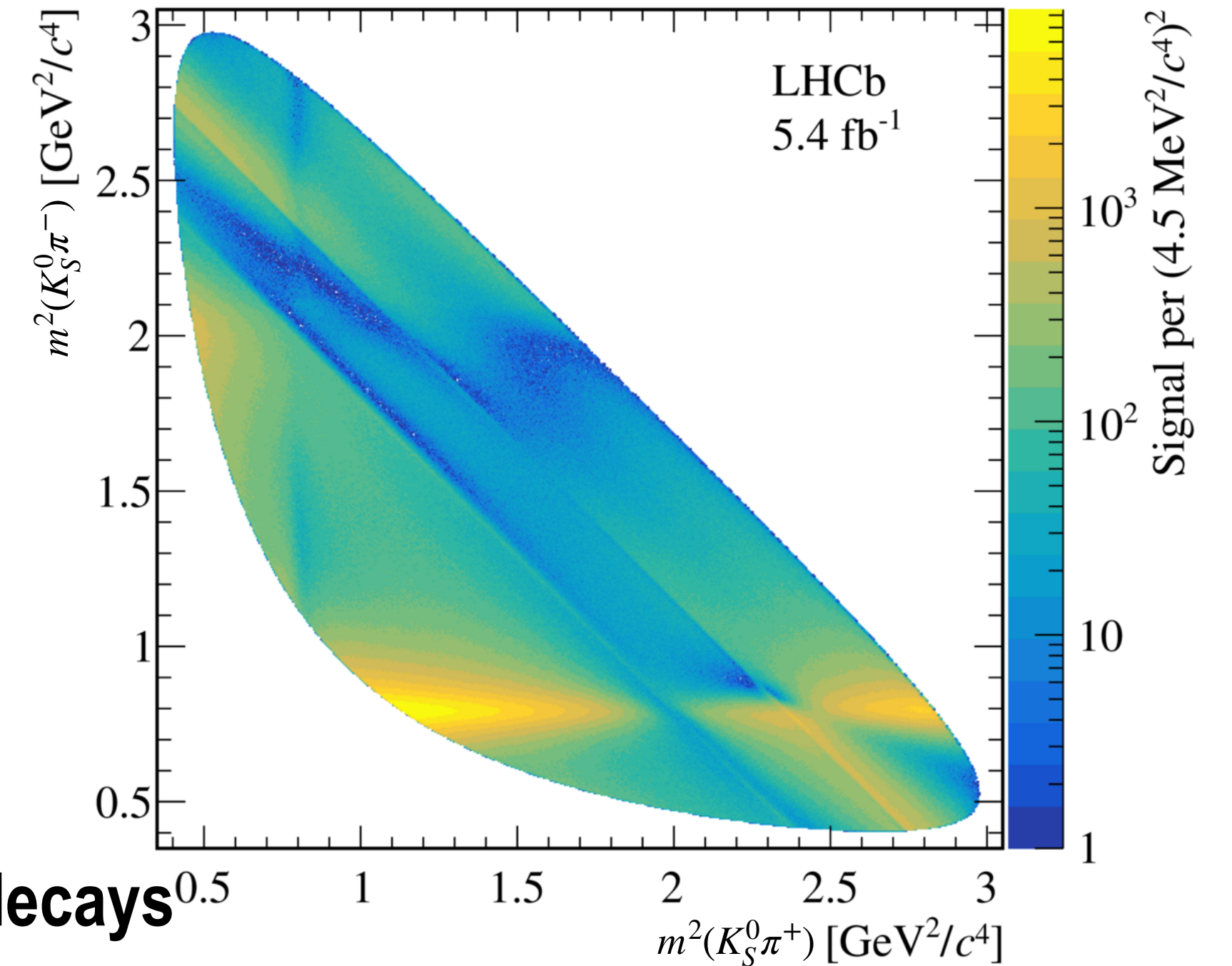
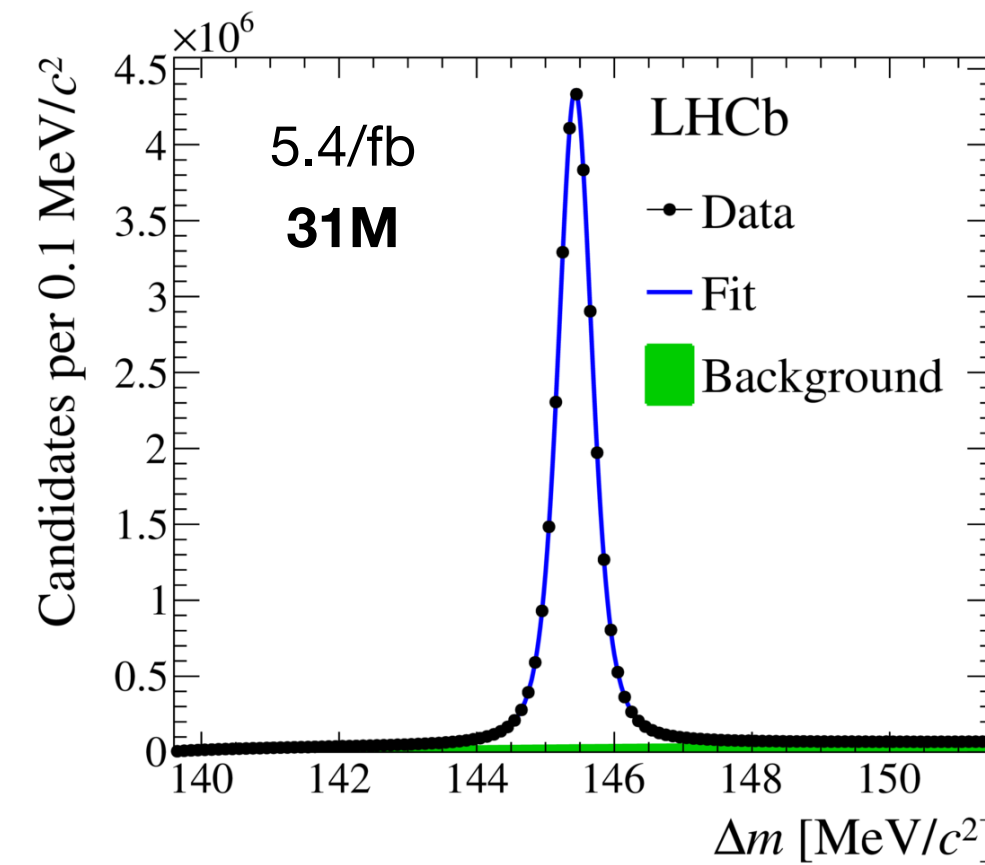
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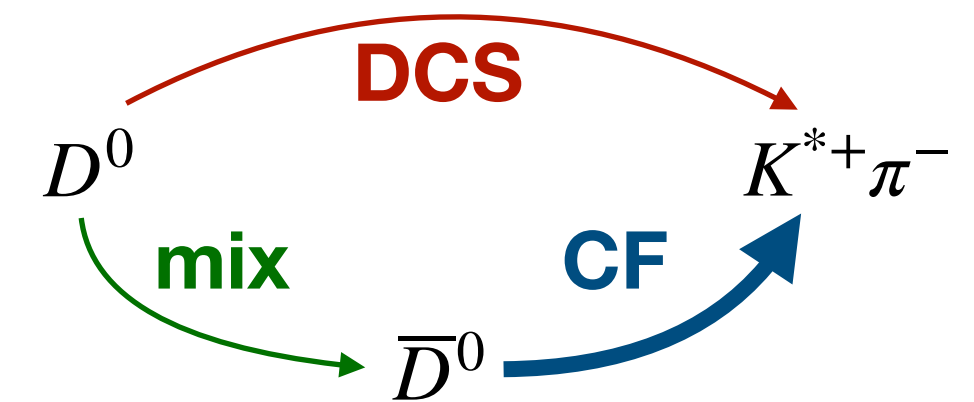
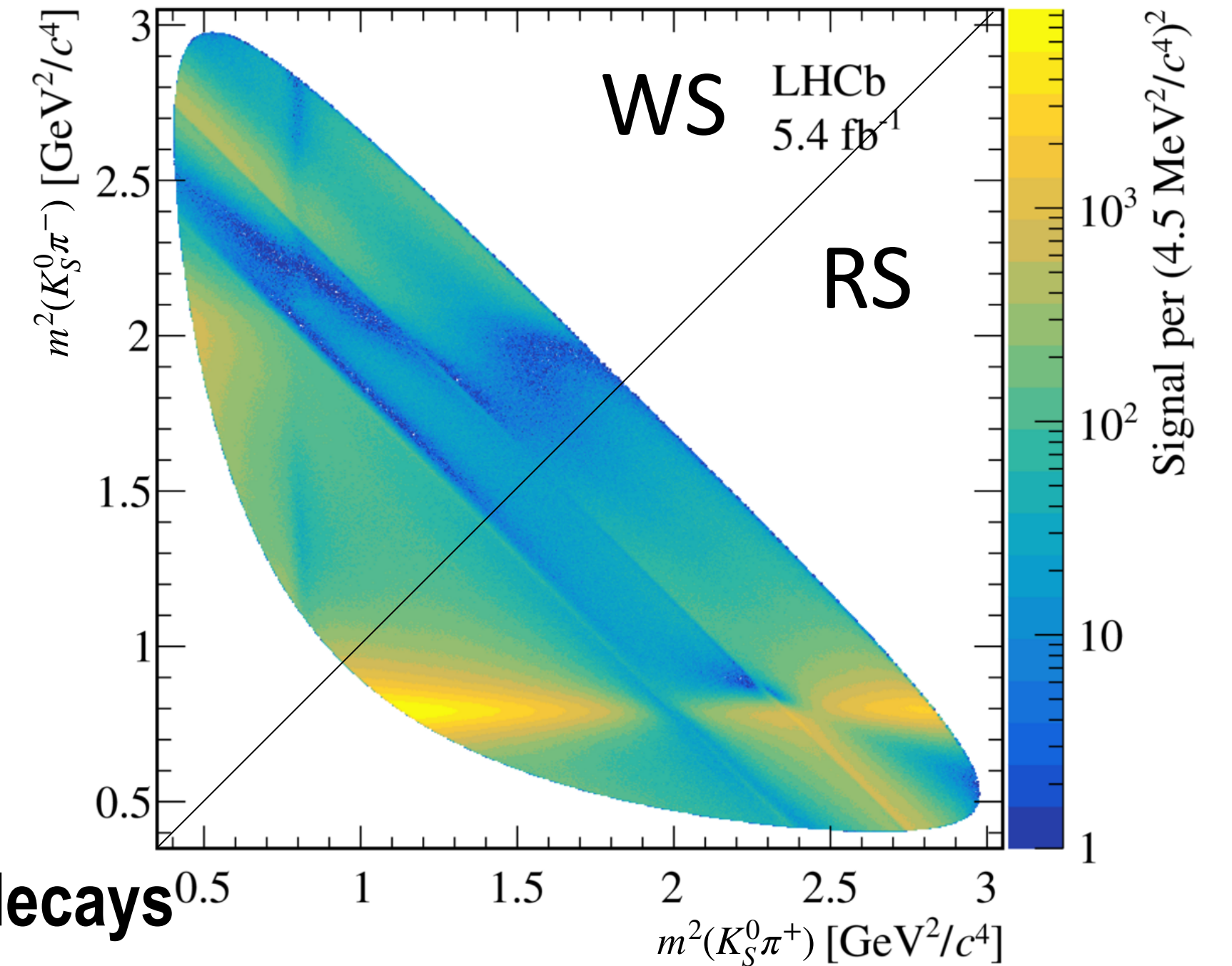
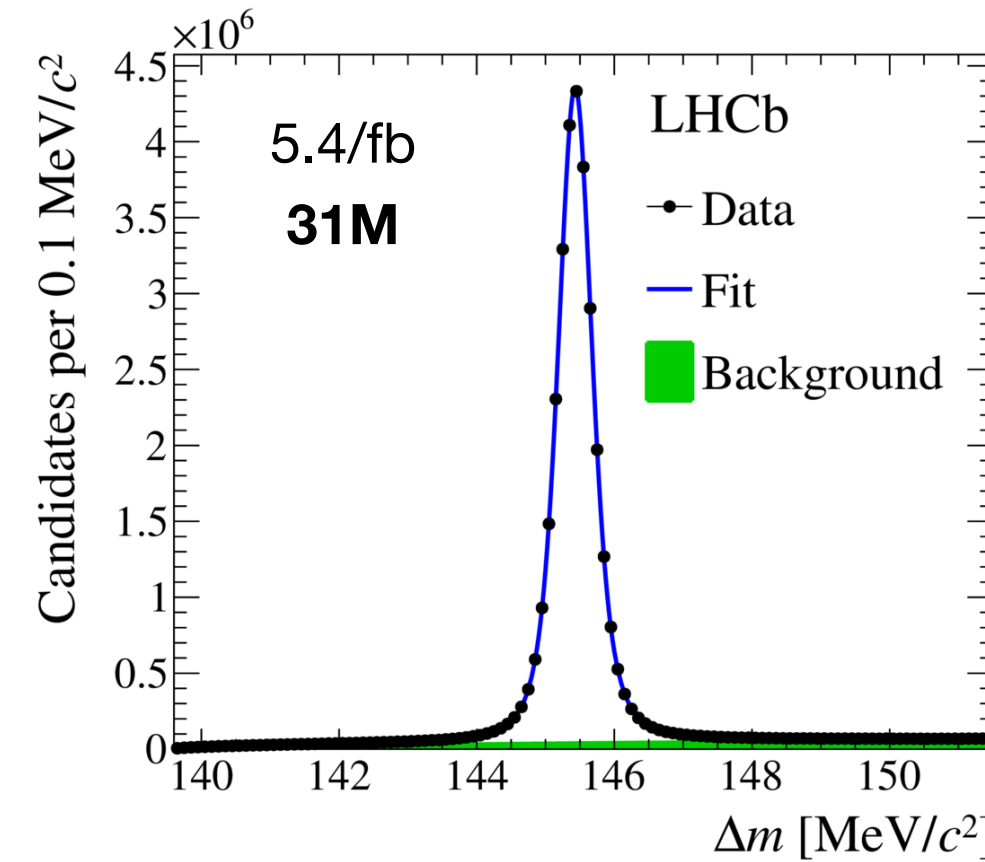
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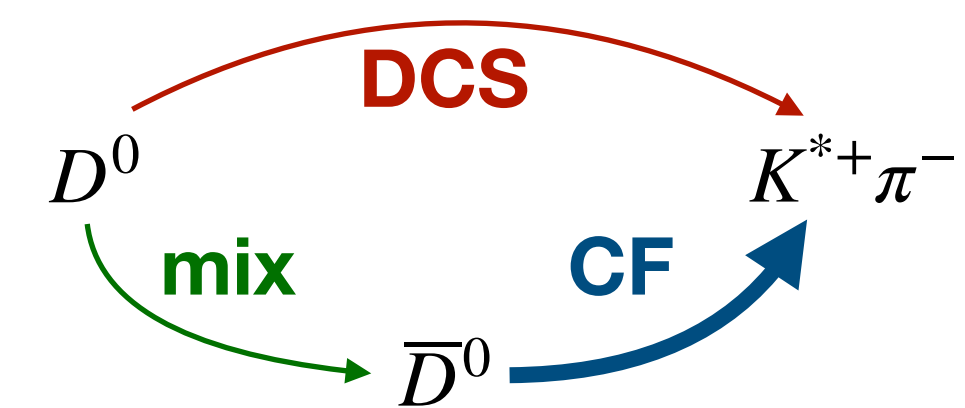
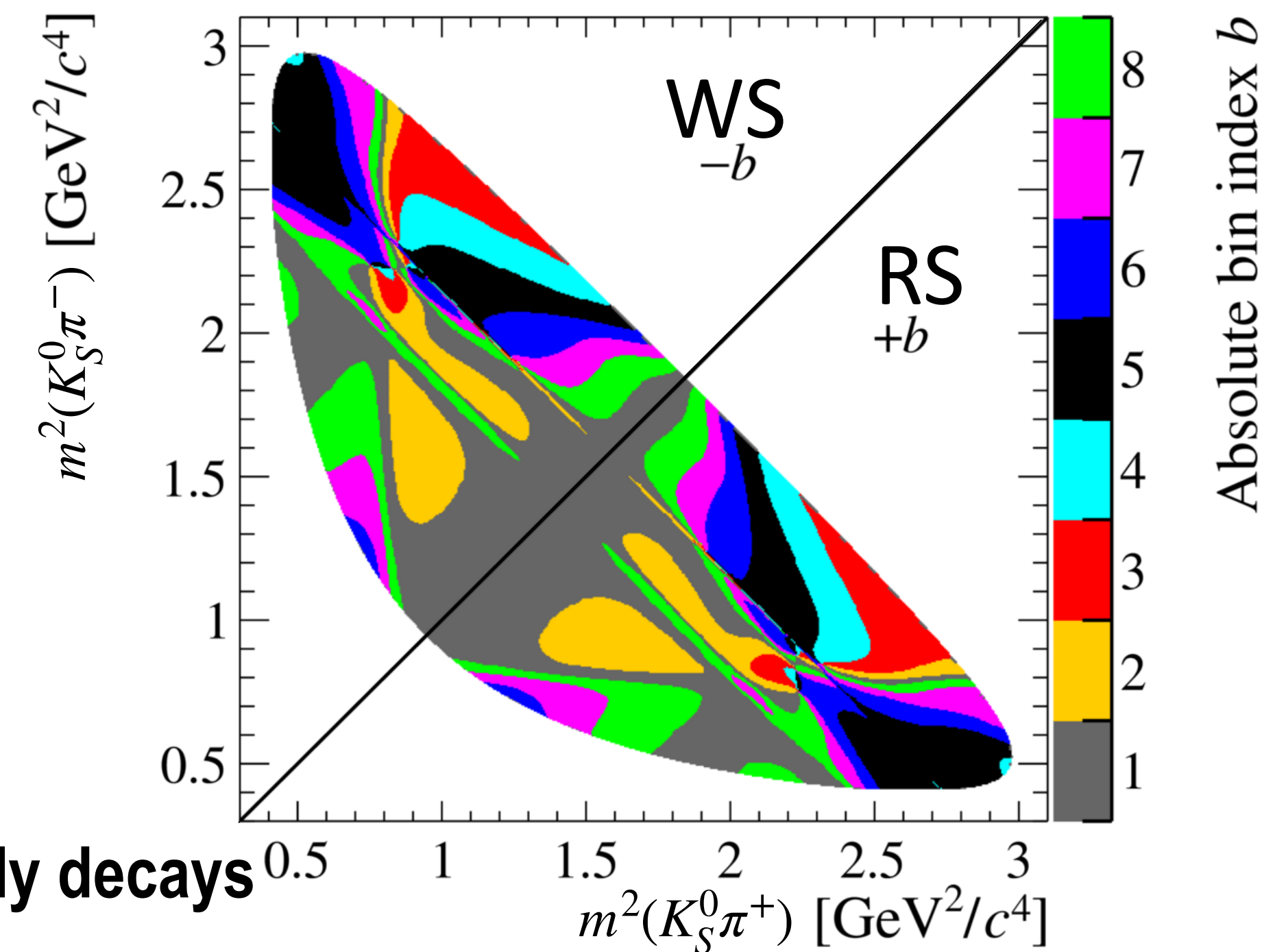
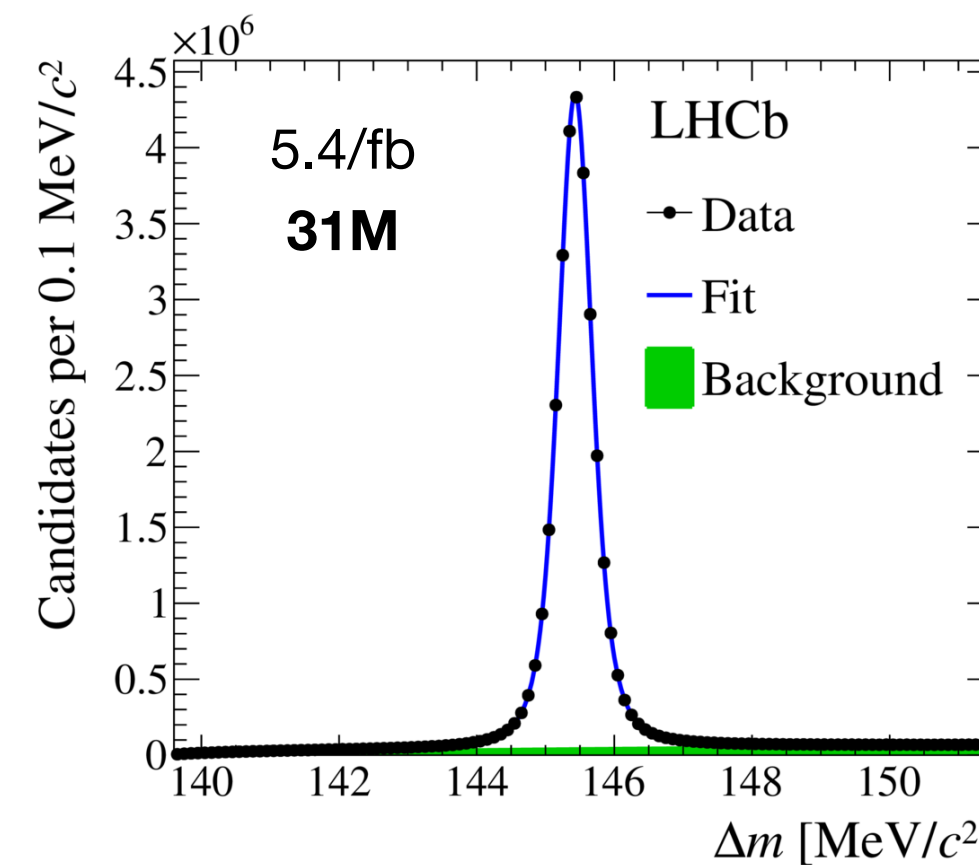
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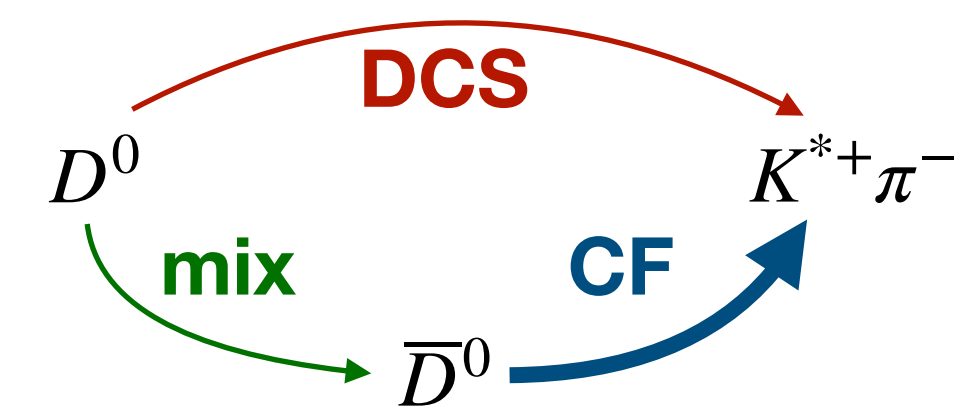
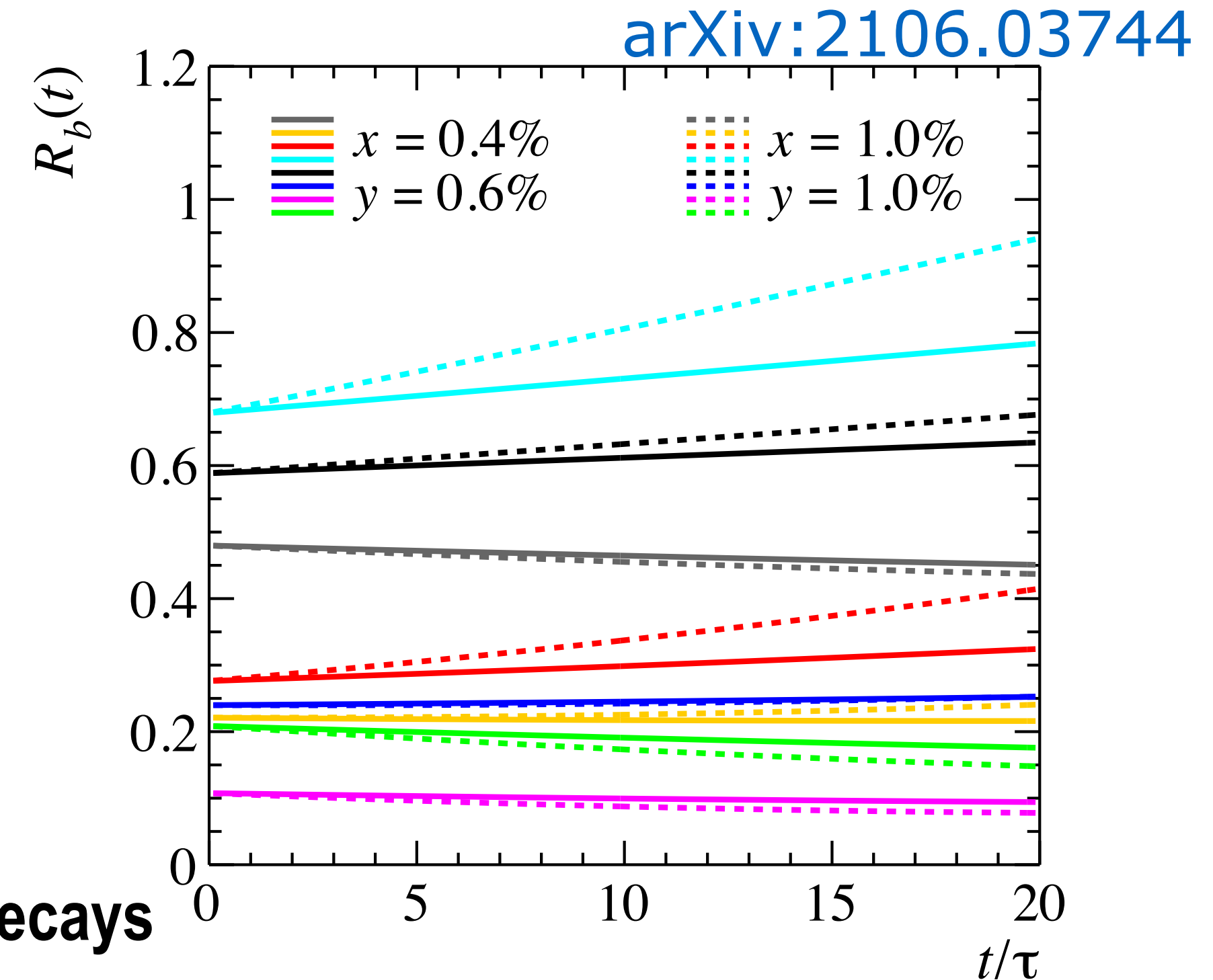
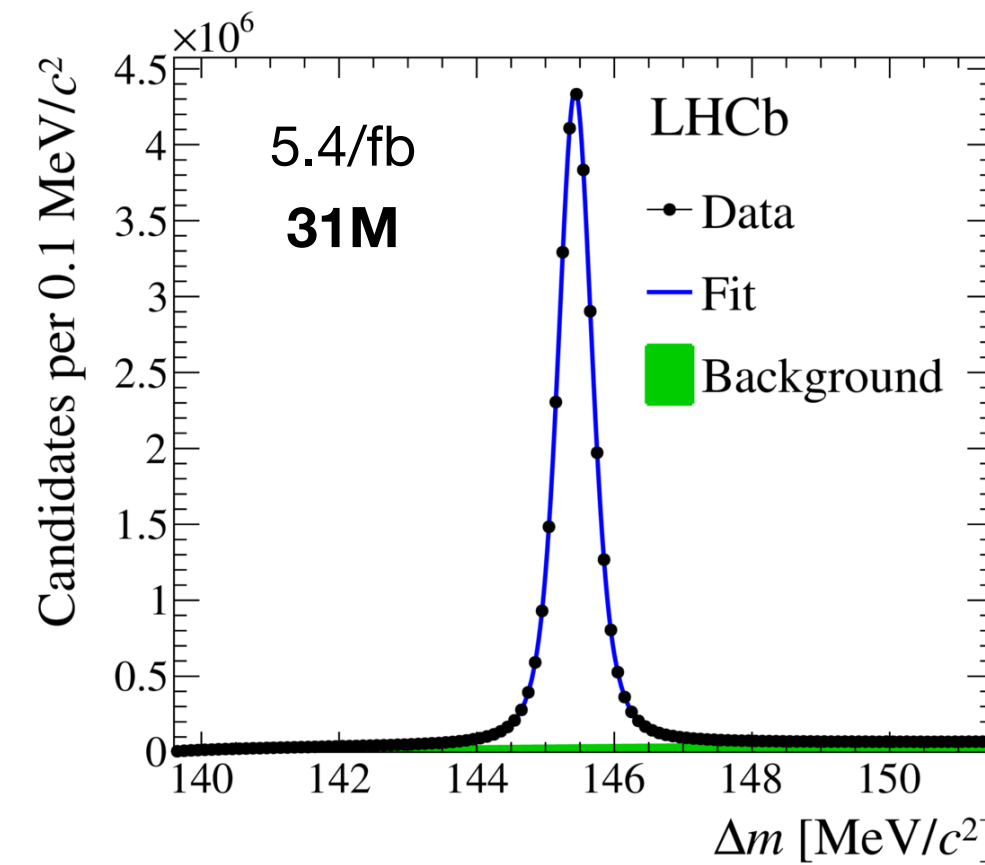
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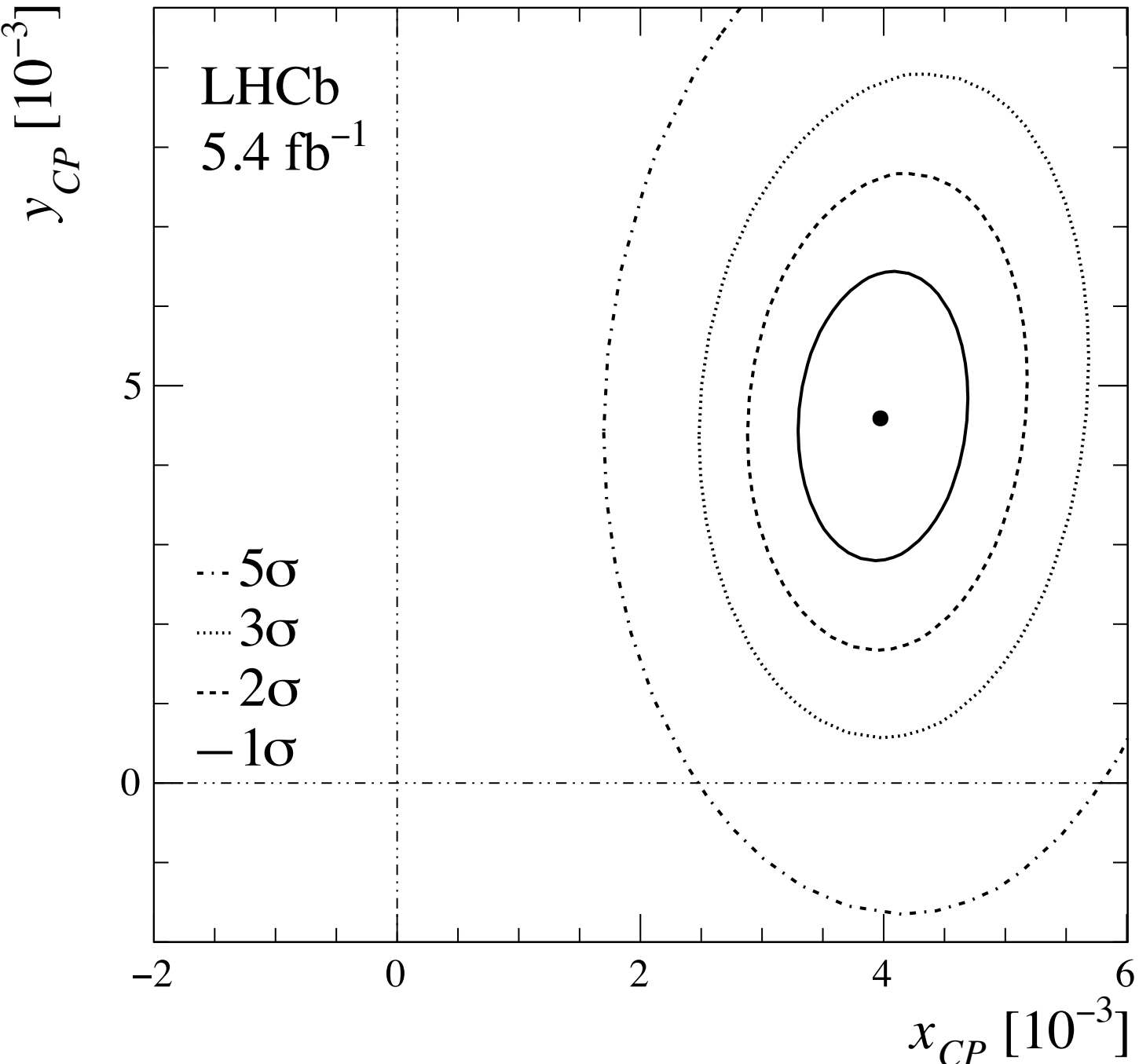
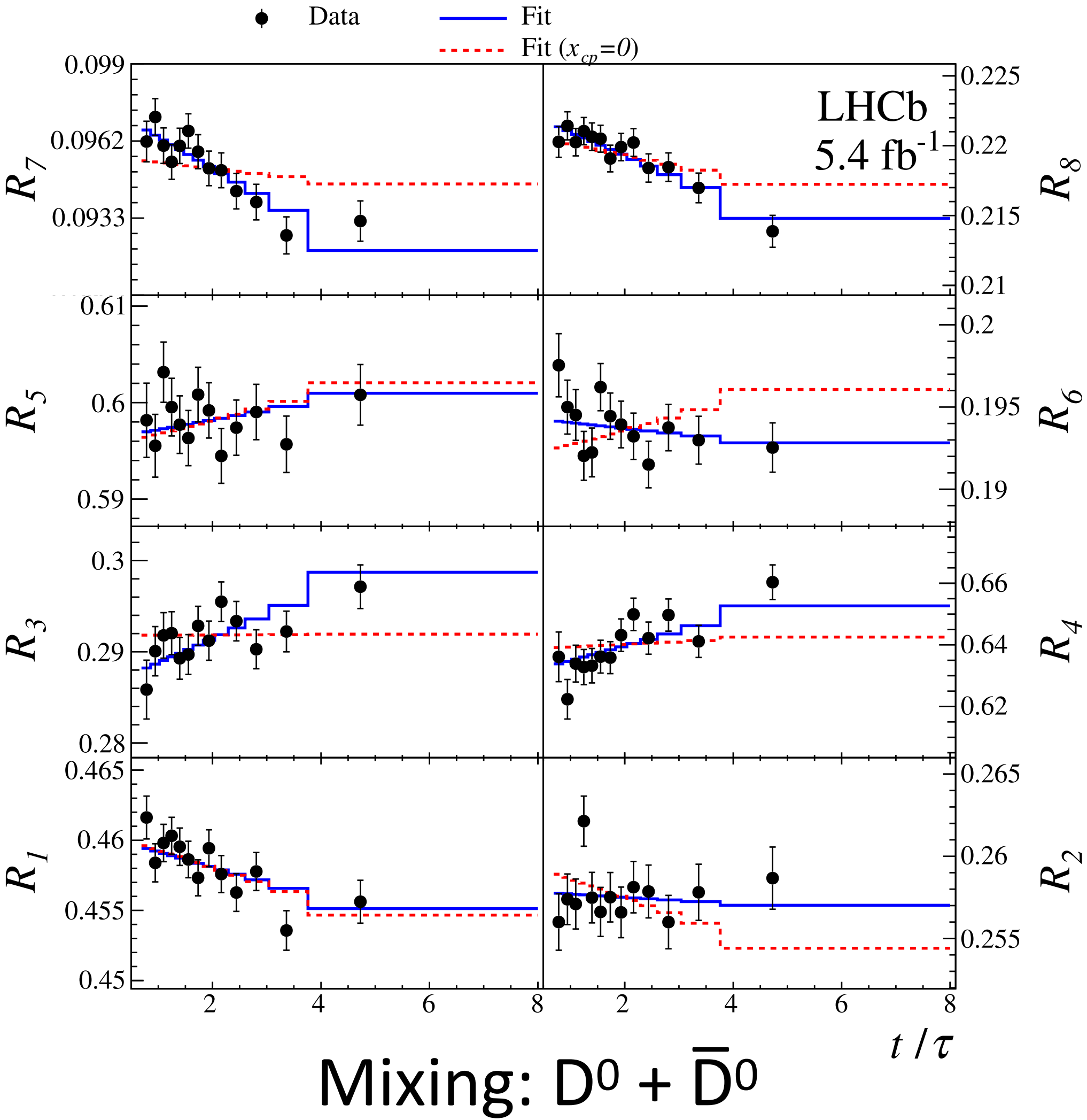
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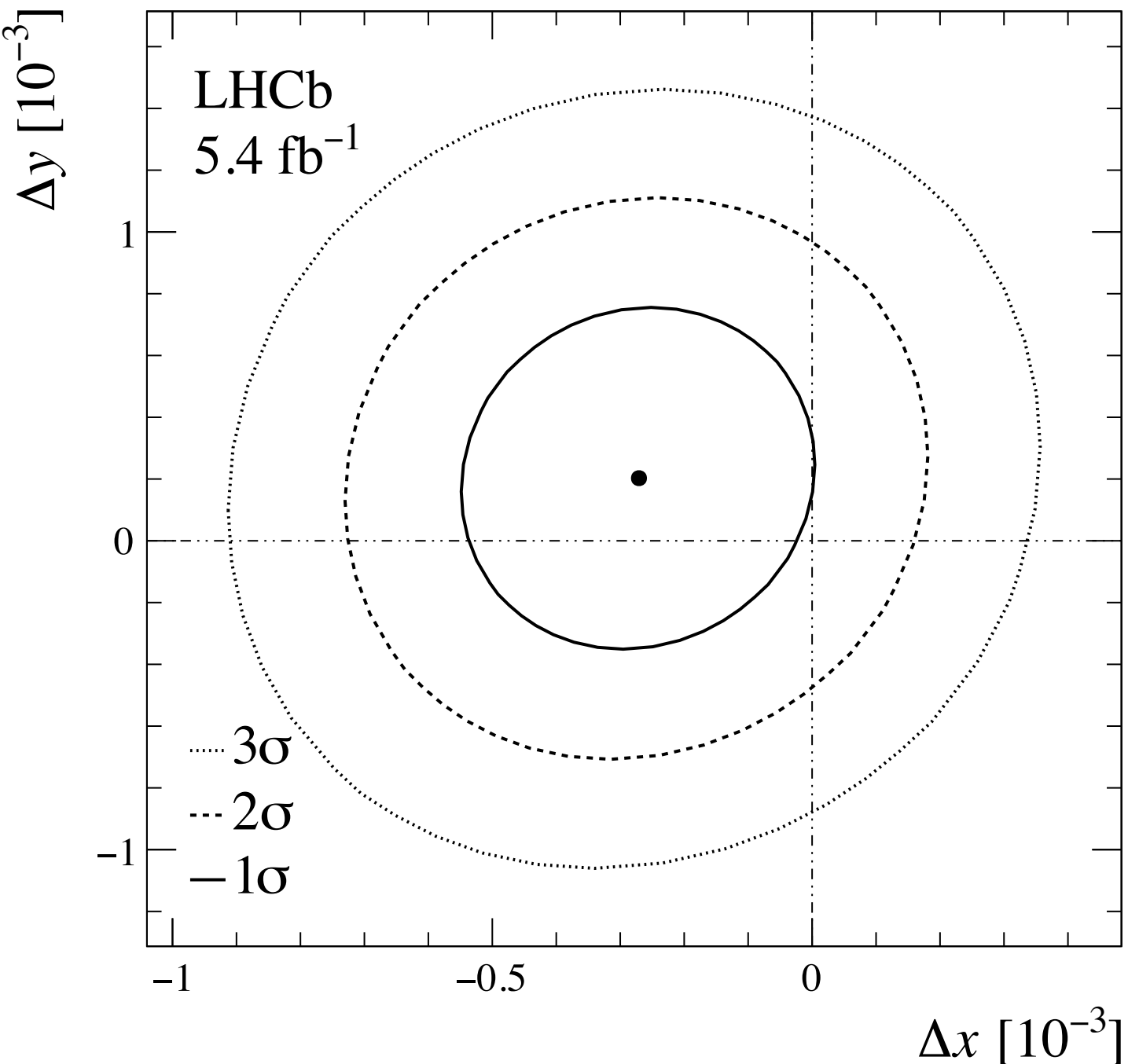


$$x_{CP} = (3.97 \pm 0.46 \pm 0.29) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$y_{CP} = (4.59 \pm 1.20 \pm 0.85) \times 10^{-3}$$

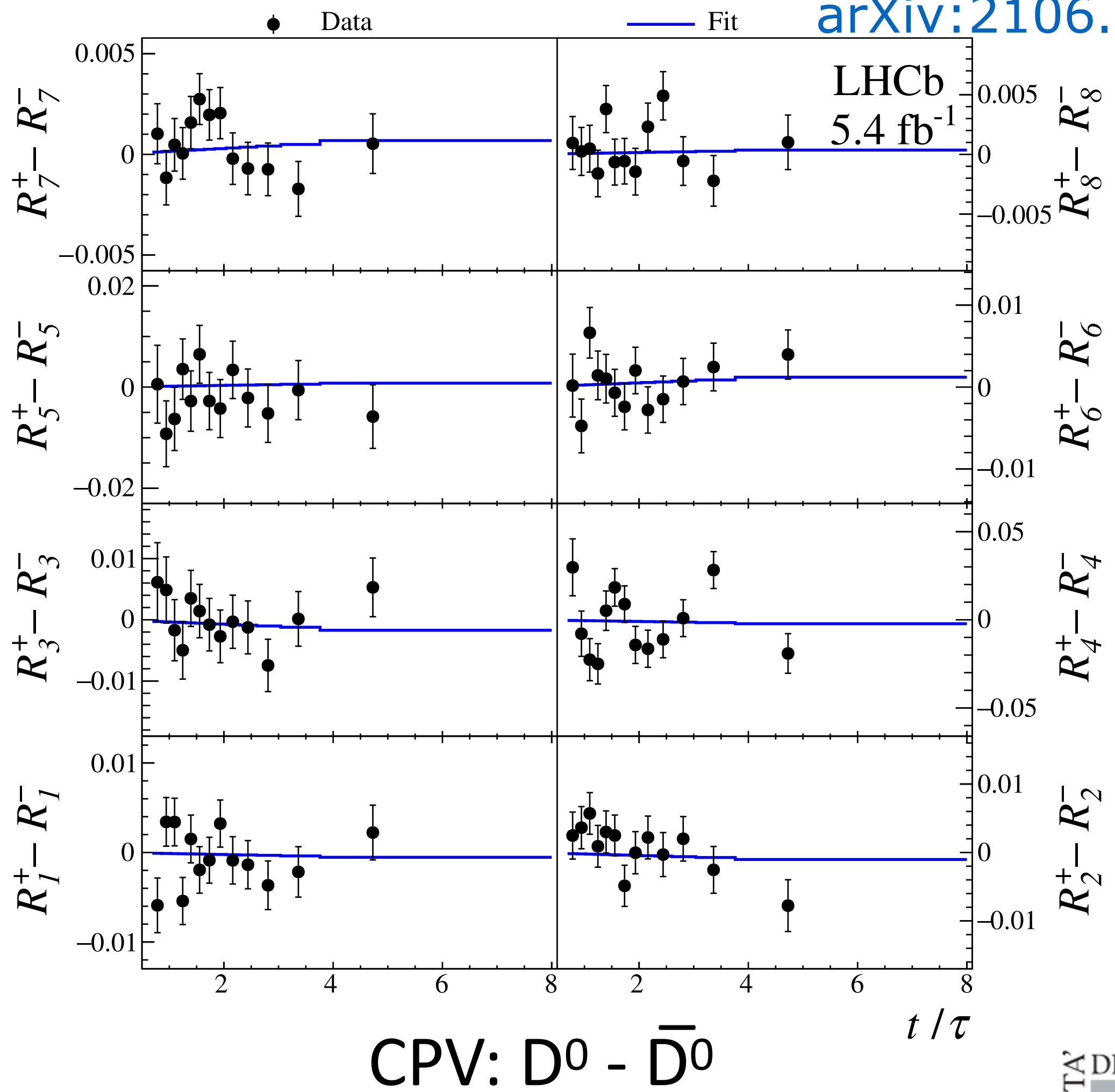
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$$\Delta x = (-0.27 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.01) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\Delta y = (0.20 \pm 0.36 \pm 0.13) \times 10^{-3}$$





# $D^0 \rightarrow K^0_S \pi^+ \pi^-$ Bin-Flip Results

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## Statistical and Systematic Uncertainties

- Largest systematic uncertainties evaluated on pseudoexperiments

Trigger-induced efficiency correlations

Wrong measurement of decay time for secondary charm from B-hadrons

Time-dependent detection asymmetry

Strong-phase uncertainties

Source	$x_{CP}$	$y_{CP}$	$\Delta x$	$\Delta y$
Reconstruction and selection	0.199	0.757	0.009	0.044
Secondary charm decays	0.208	0.154	0.001	0.002
Detection asymmetry	0.000	0.001	0.004	0.102
Mass-fit model	0.045	0.361	0.003	0.009
Total systematic uncertainty	0.291	0.852	0.010	0.110
Strong phase inputs	0.23	0.66	0.02	0.04
Detection asymmetry inputs	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.08
Statistical (w/o inputs)	0.40	1.00	0.18	0.35
Total statistical uncertainty	0.46	1.20	0.18	0.36

# Time-dependent CP Violation in $D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^-$ ( $h=K, \pi$ )

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## CP Violation in Two-body final states

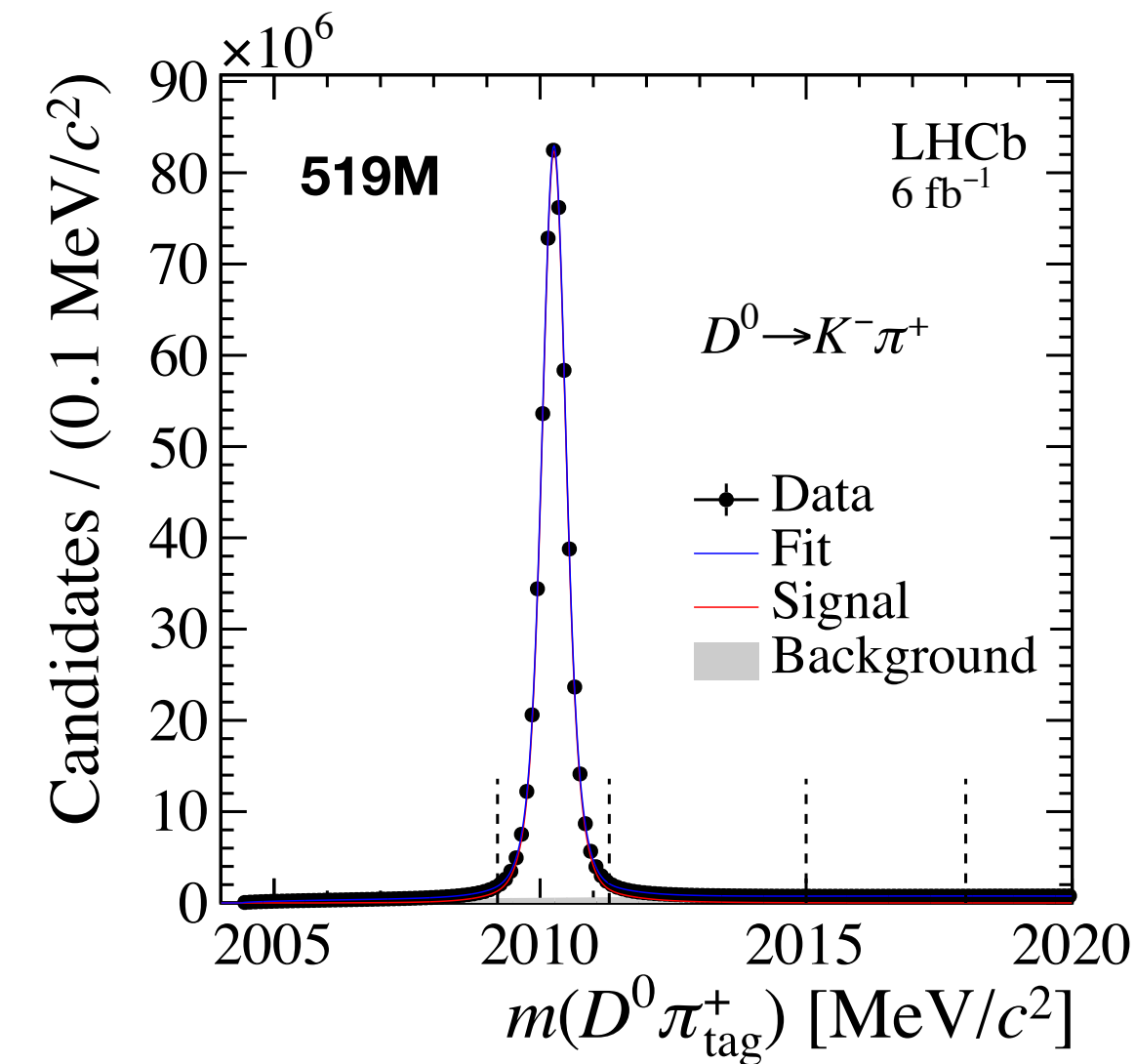
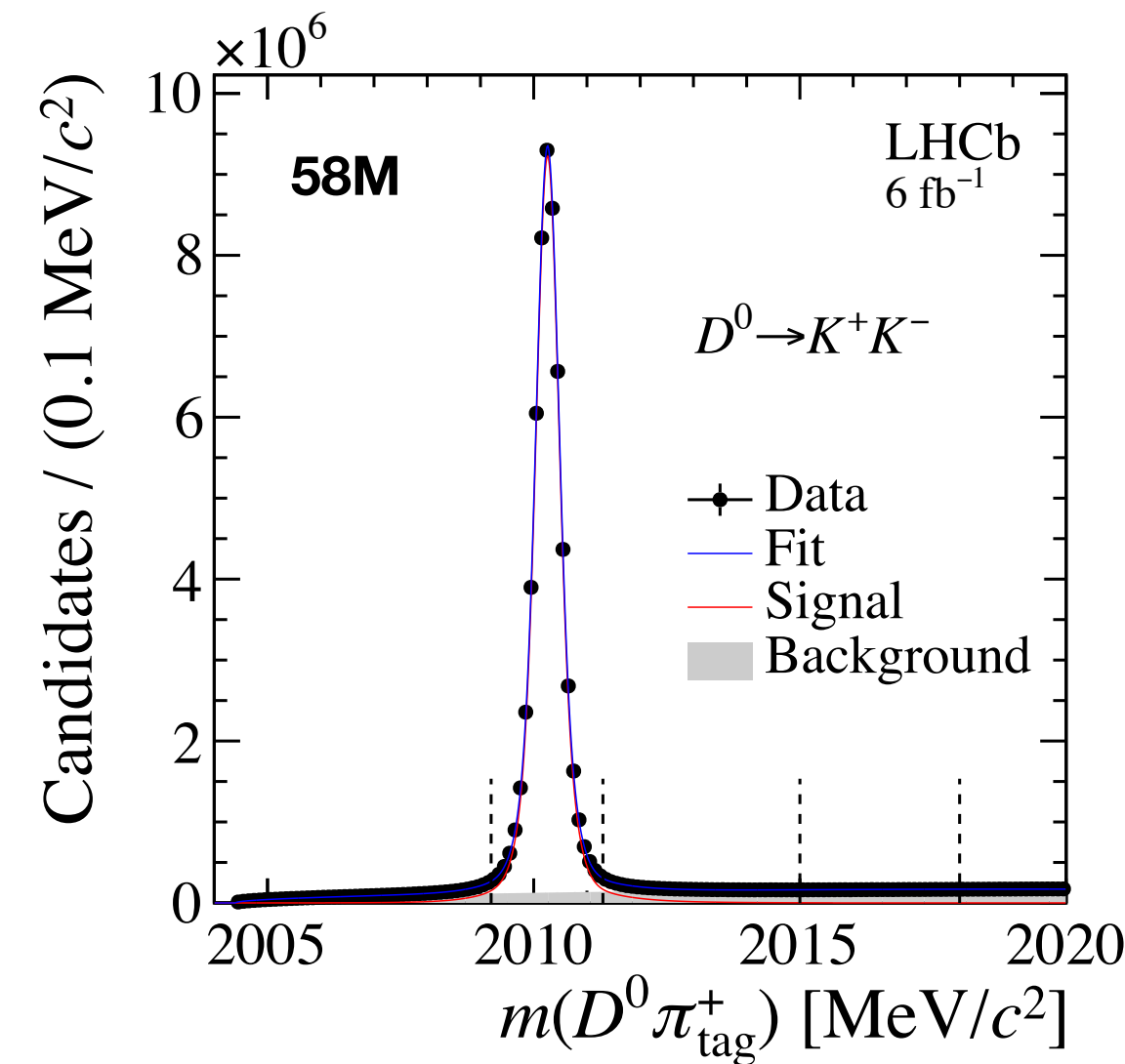
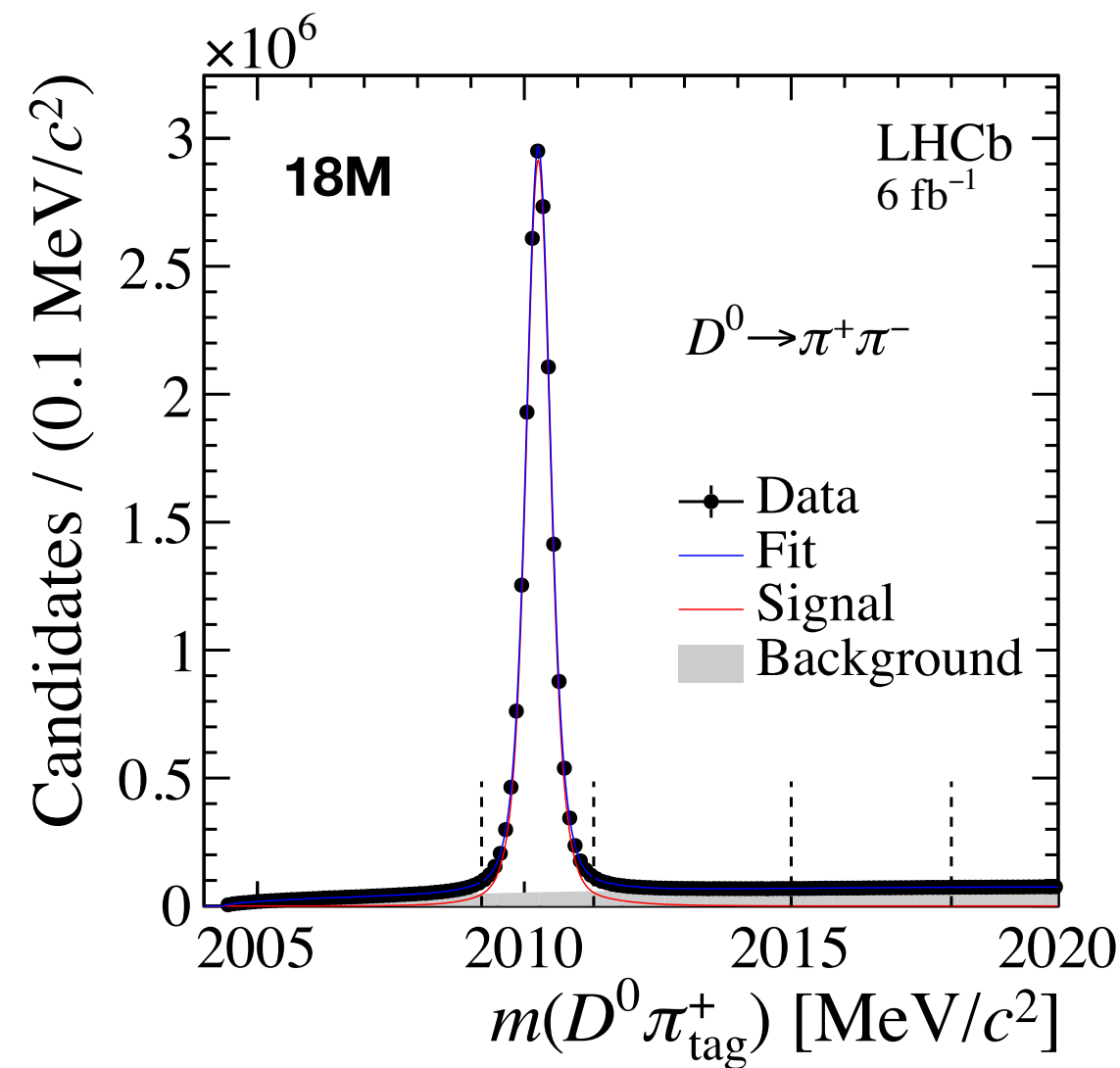
$$A_{CP}(t) = \frac{\Gamma(D^0(t) \rightarrow f) - \Gamma(\bar{D}^0(t) \rightarrow f)}{\Gamma(D^0(t) \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(\bar{D}^0(t) \rightarrow f)} \approx a_f^d + \Delta Y_f \frac{t}{\tau_D}$$

Final state dependent CPV

SM expectations  $\sim 10^{-5}$  Kagan & Silvestrini, 2020 Li et al, 2020

$$-\Delta y \approx \Delta Y_f \approx x\phi - y \left( \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| - 1 \right) \quad (\text{aka } -A_\Gamma)$$

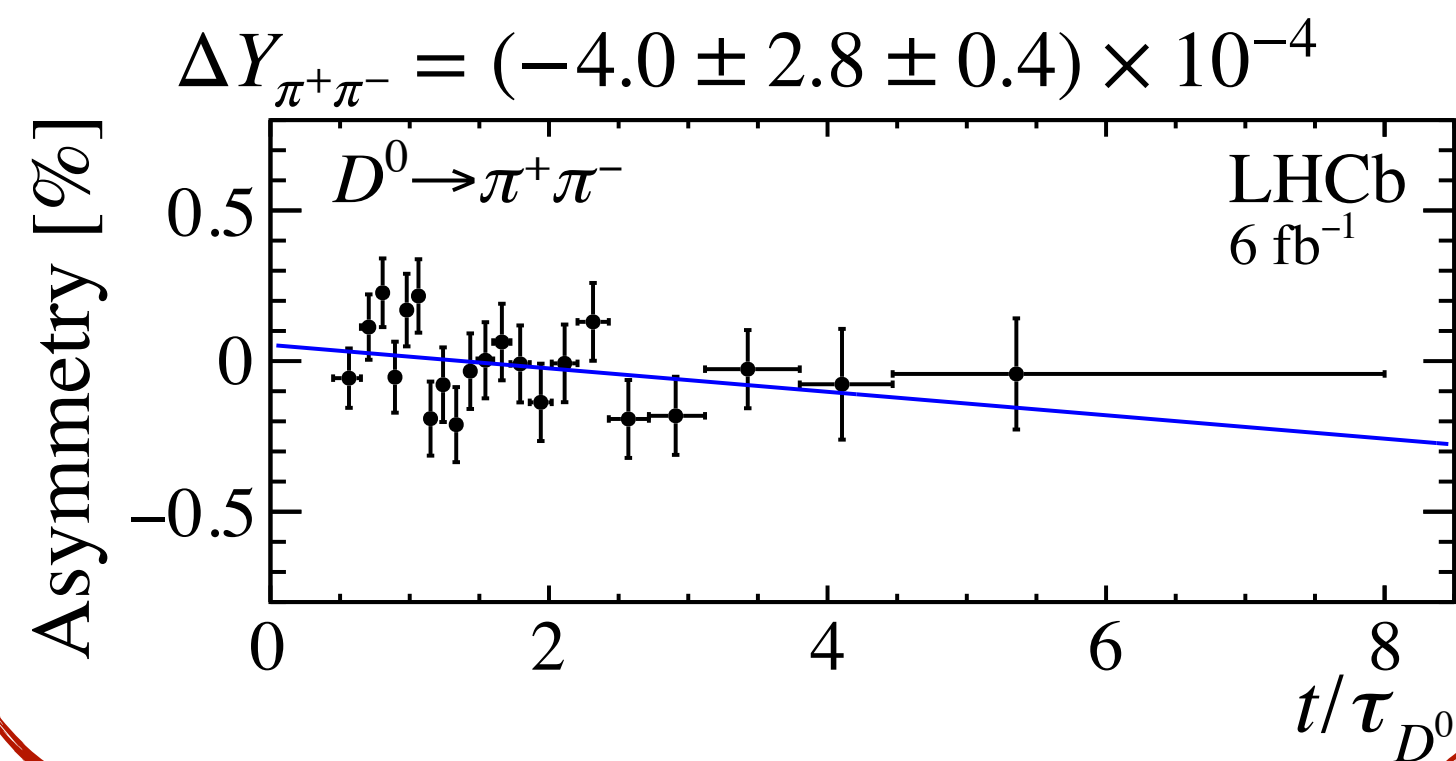
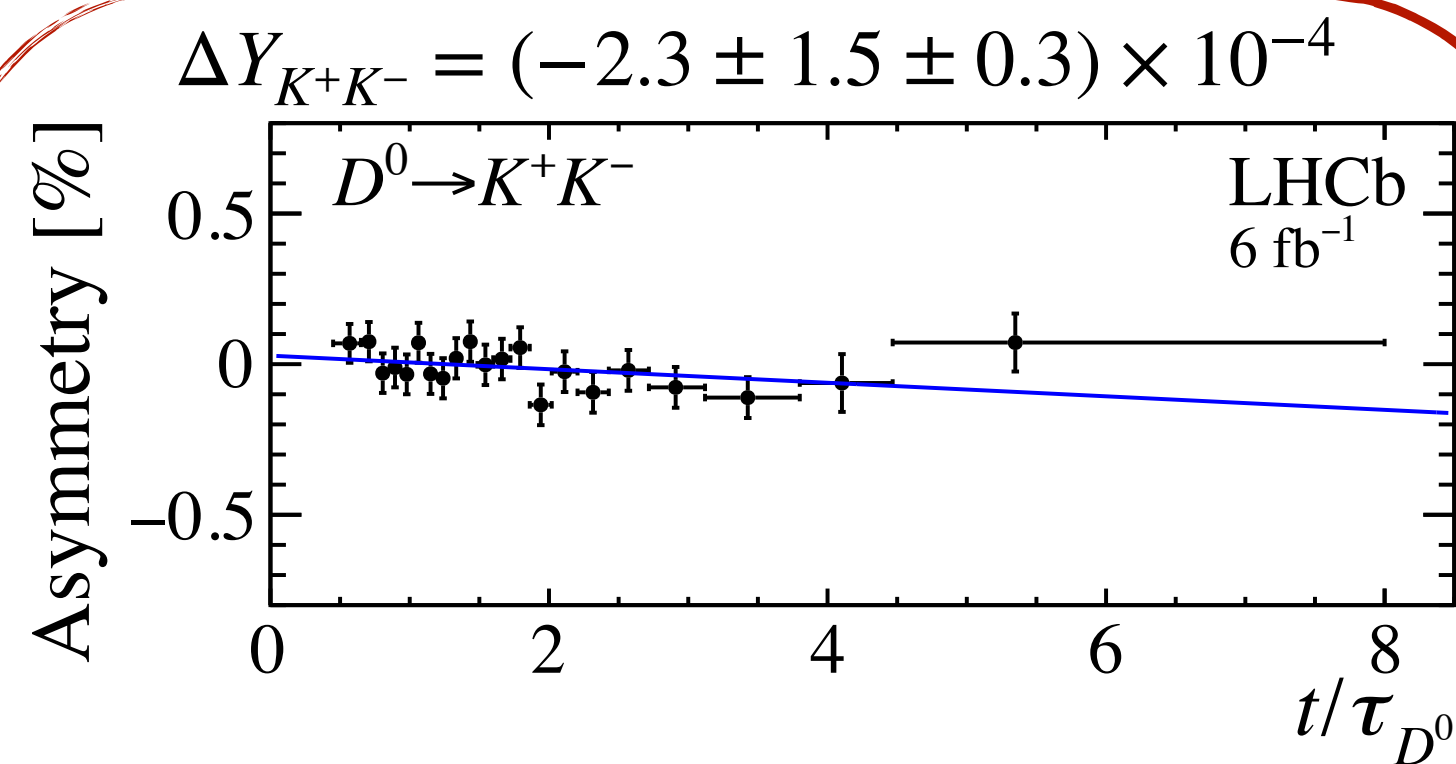
- Studied at LHCb with Run2 dataset (2015-2018)



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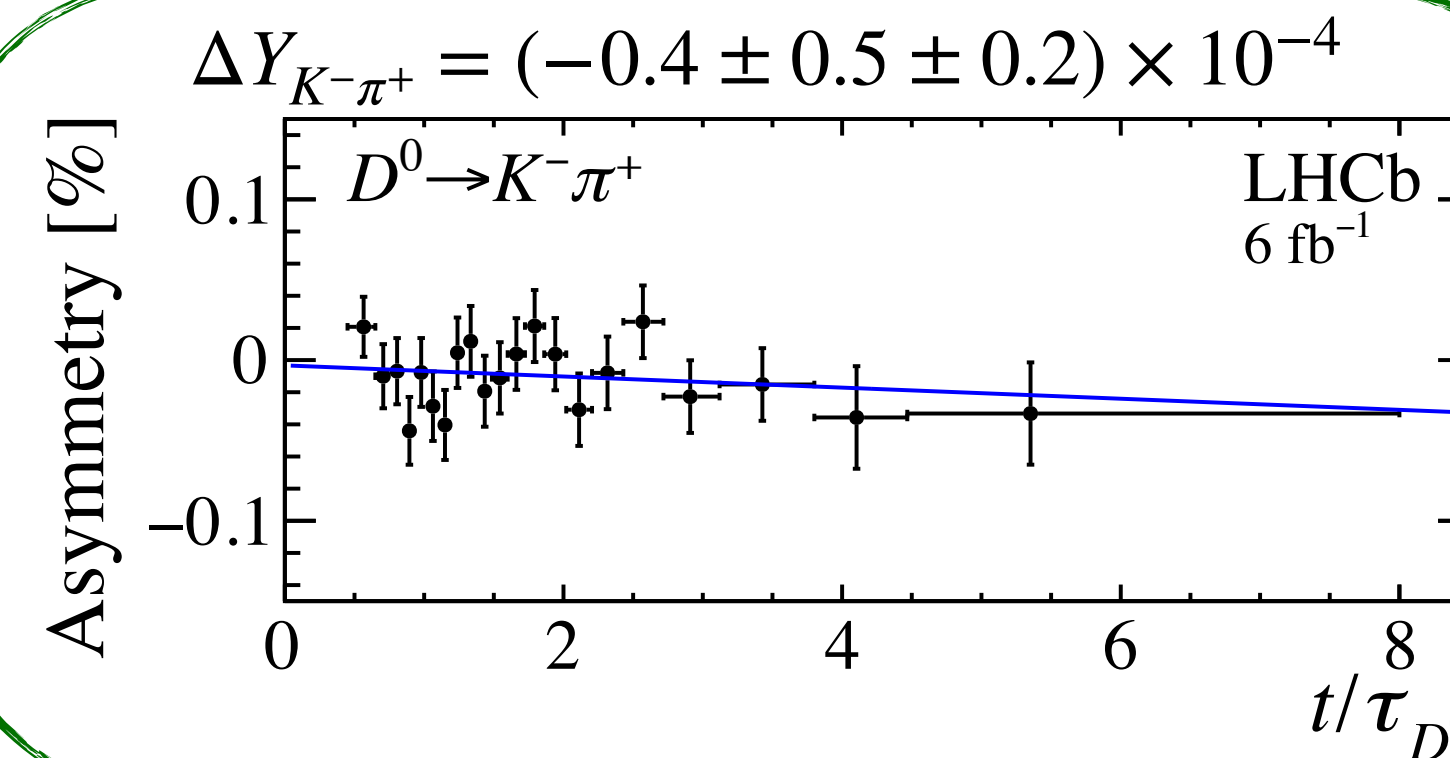


$\Delta Y = (-2.7 \pm 1.3 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-4}$

## Systematic Uncertainties

Source	$\Delta Y_{K^+K^-}$ [10 <sup>-4</sup> ]	$\Delta Y_{\pi^+\pi^-}$ [10 <sup>-4</sup> ]
Subtraction of the $m(D^0 \pi_{\text{tag}}^+)$ background	0.2	0.3
Flavour-dependent shift of $D^{*+}$ -mass peak	0.1	0.1
$D^{*+}$ from $B$ -meson decays	0.1	0.1
$m(h^+ h^-)$ background	0.1	0.1
Kinematic weighting	0.1	0.1
Total systematic uncertainty	0.3	0.4
Statistical uncertainty	1.5	2.8

## Control Sample



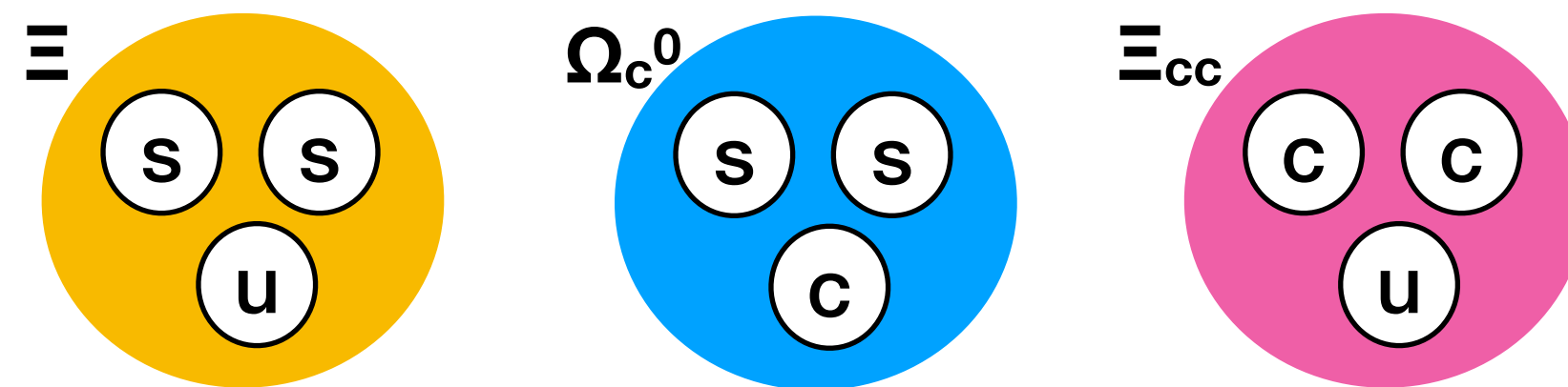
$D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$   
No CPV  
Expected

# *Latest Results in Spectroscopy*

# Baryon Spectroscopy

## Charm Baryons

- Measured by LHCb with unprecedented precision (lifetime, mass)
- Allow to test various hypotheses such as the quark-diquark picture in different scenarios

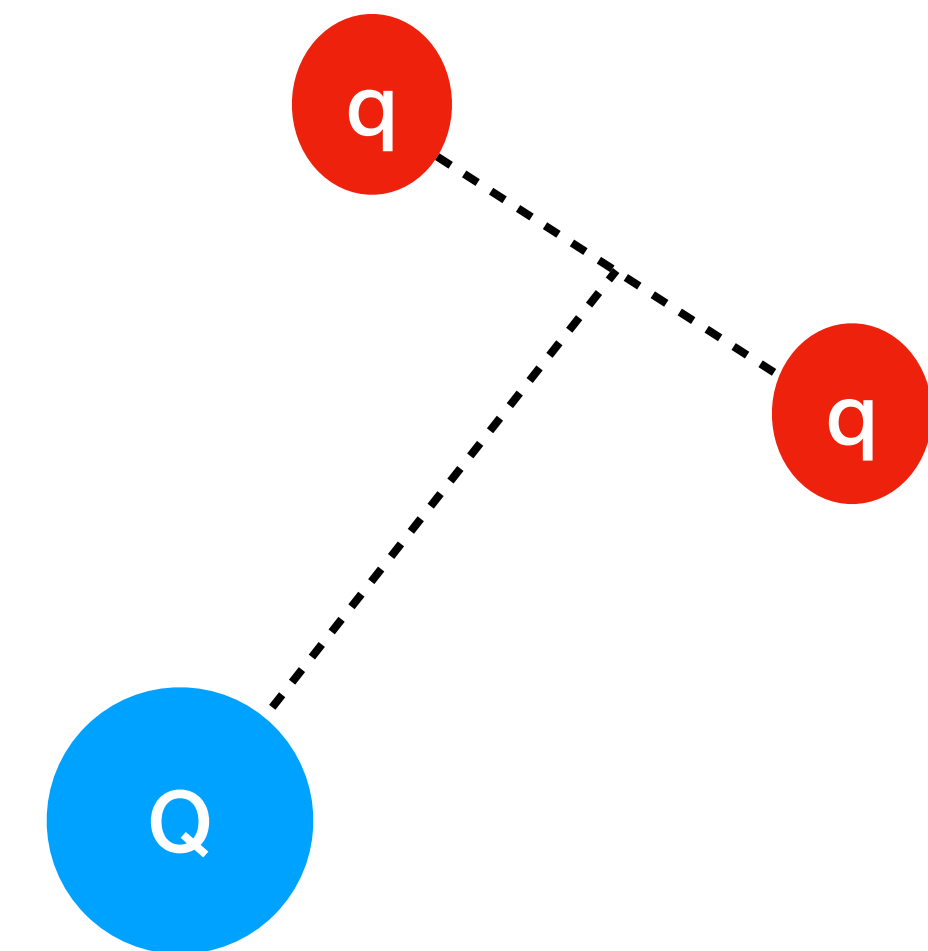


- **Quark-diquark picture**

Heavy quark static and spineless in the limit  $m_Q \rightarrow \infty$

Excitations governed by the light diquark

Different excitation patterns have effects on the number of states and their spin



# Lifetime of the $\Omega_c^0$ Baryon

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## Charm Hadron Lifetime Hierarchy

- Until 2018, the most accepted hierarchy was

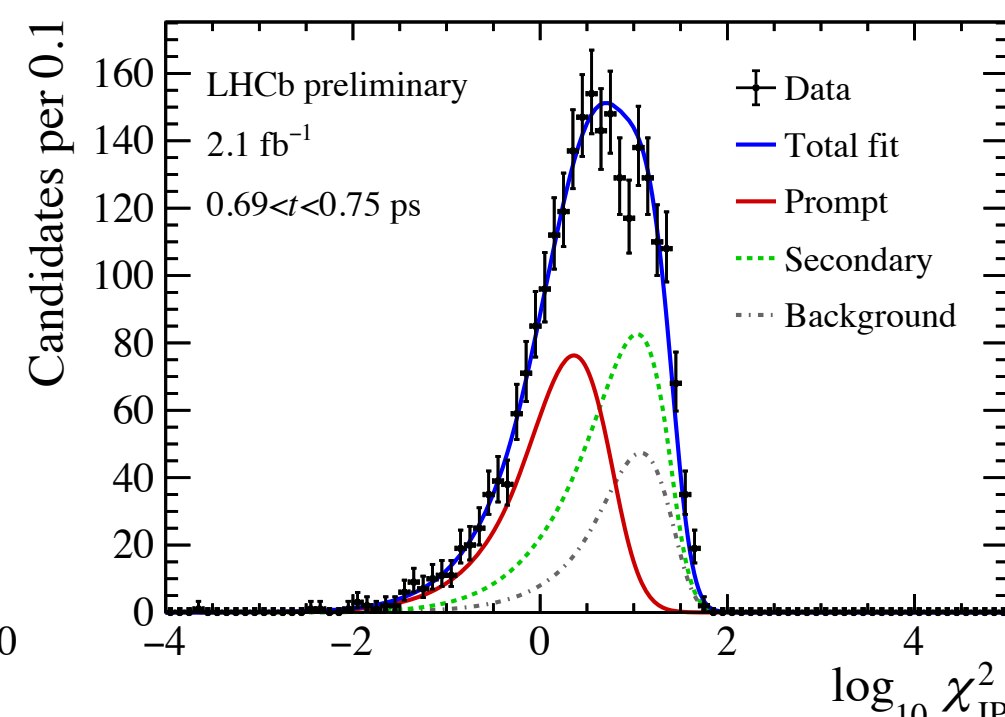
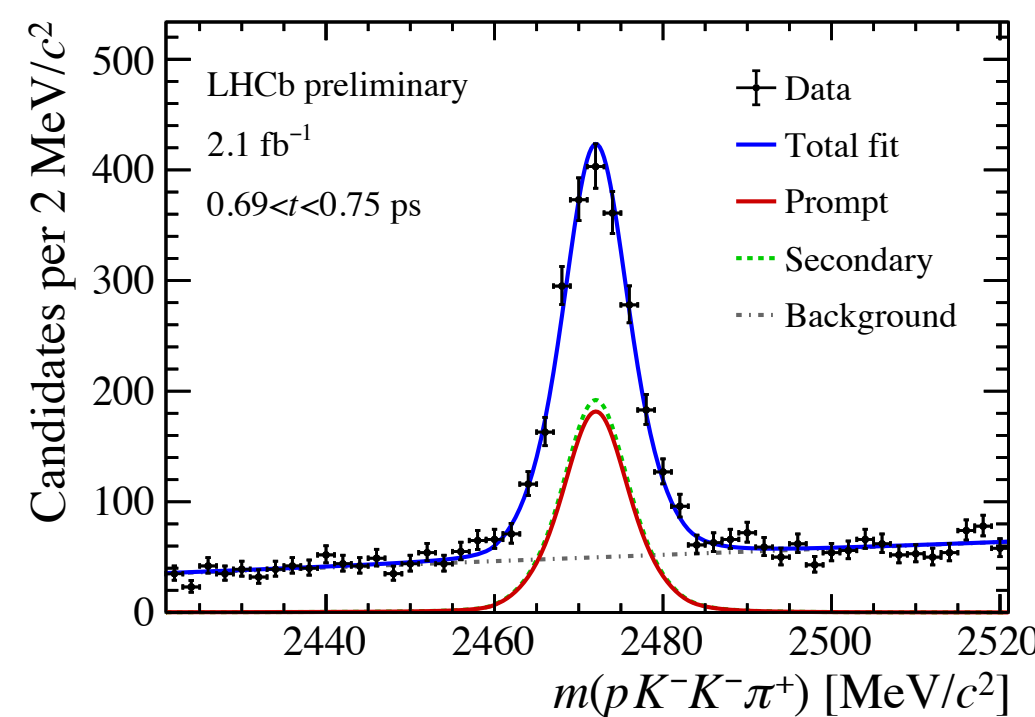
$$\tau_{\Xi_c^+} > \tau_{\Lambda_c^+} > \tau_{\Xi_c^0} > \tau_{\Omega_c^0}$$

- Then LHCb presented the most precise measurement of  $\Omega_c^0$  and  $\Xi_c^0$  lifetimes that subverted the scenario using baryons from b-baryons decays

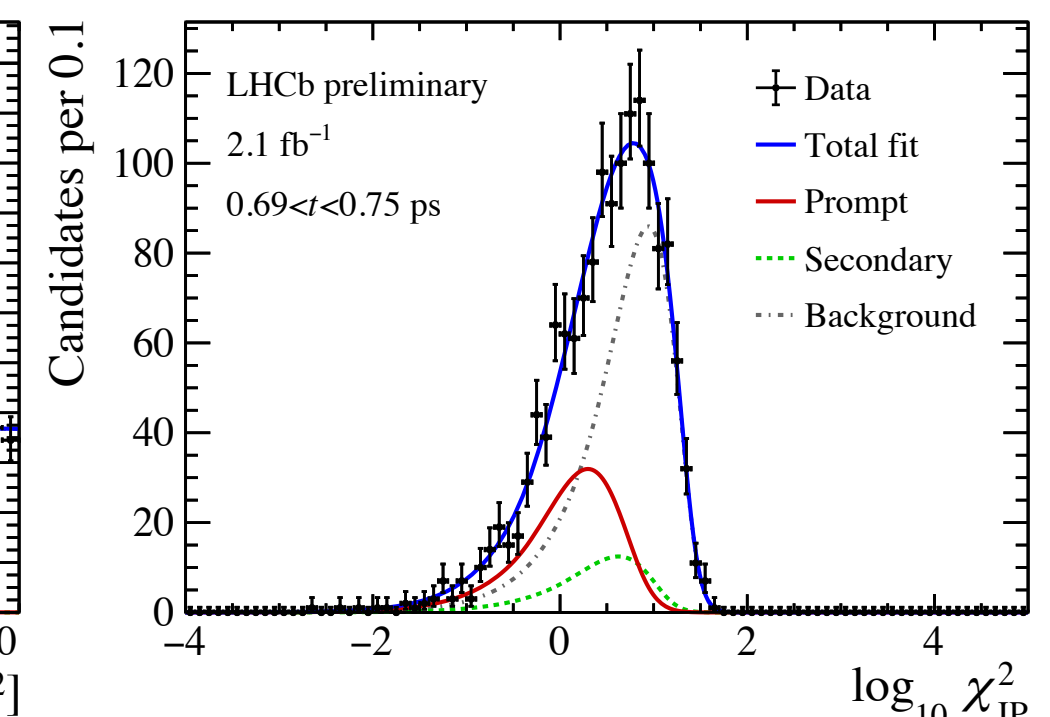
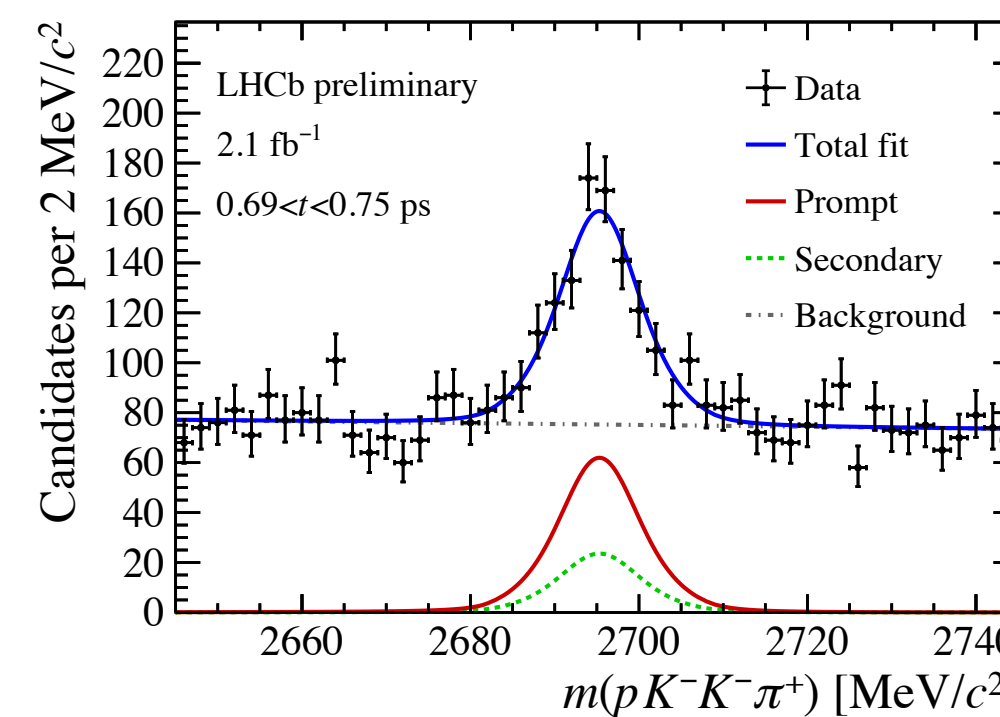
$$\tau_{\Xi_c^+} > \tau_{\Omega_c^0} > \tau_{\Lambda_c^+} > \tau_{\Xi_c^0} \quad \text{PRL121(2018)092003}$$

- It was necessary to cross-check the result with an independent sample

Analysed Run2 data (5.4/fb) and measured promptly produced charm baryons ( $+D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$  control sample)



$\Xi_c^0$

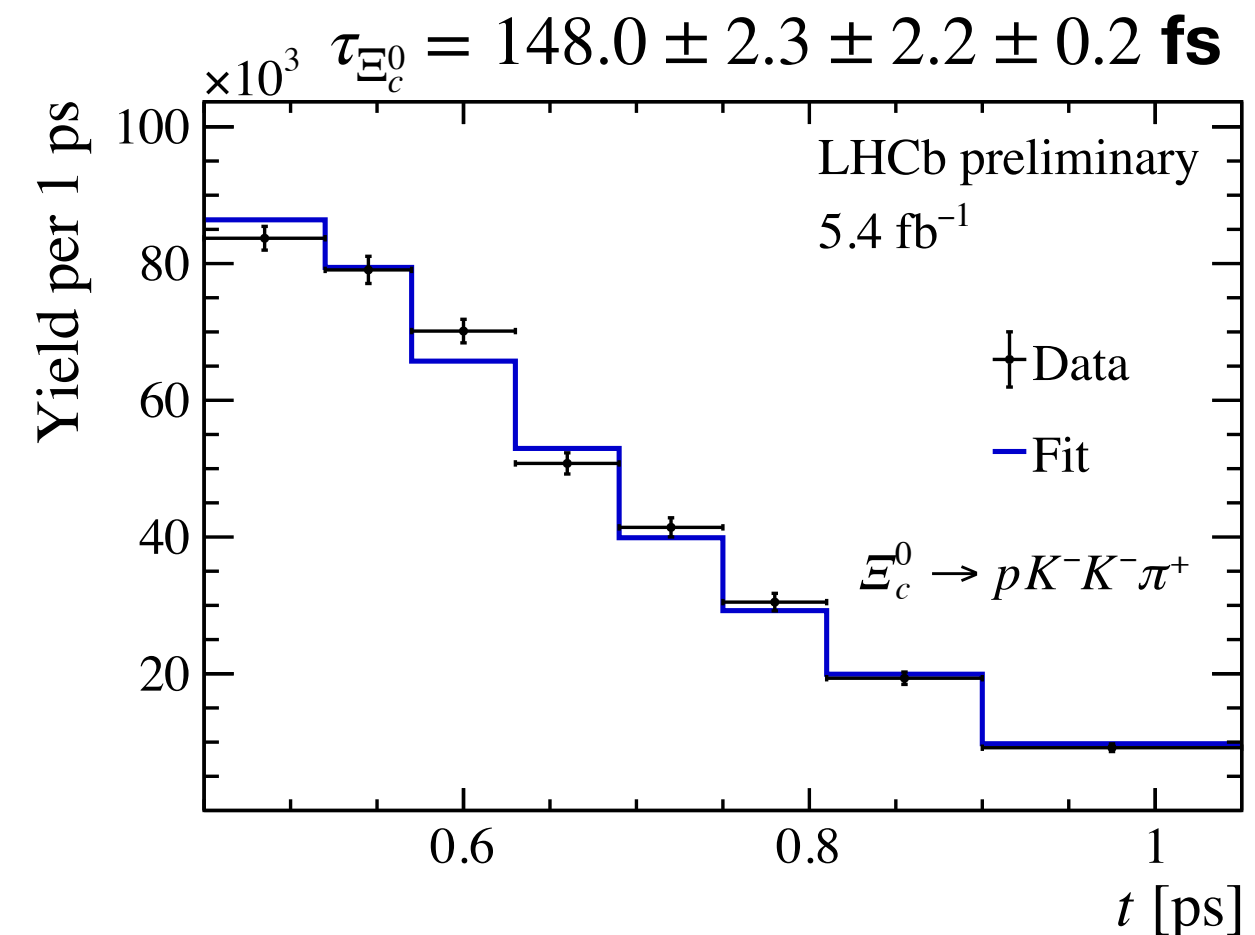
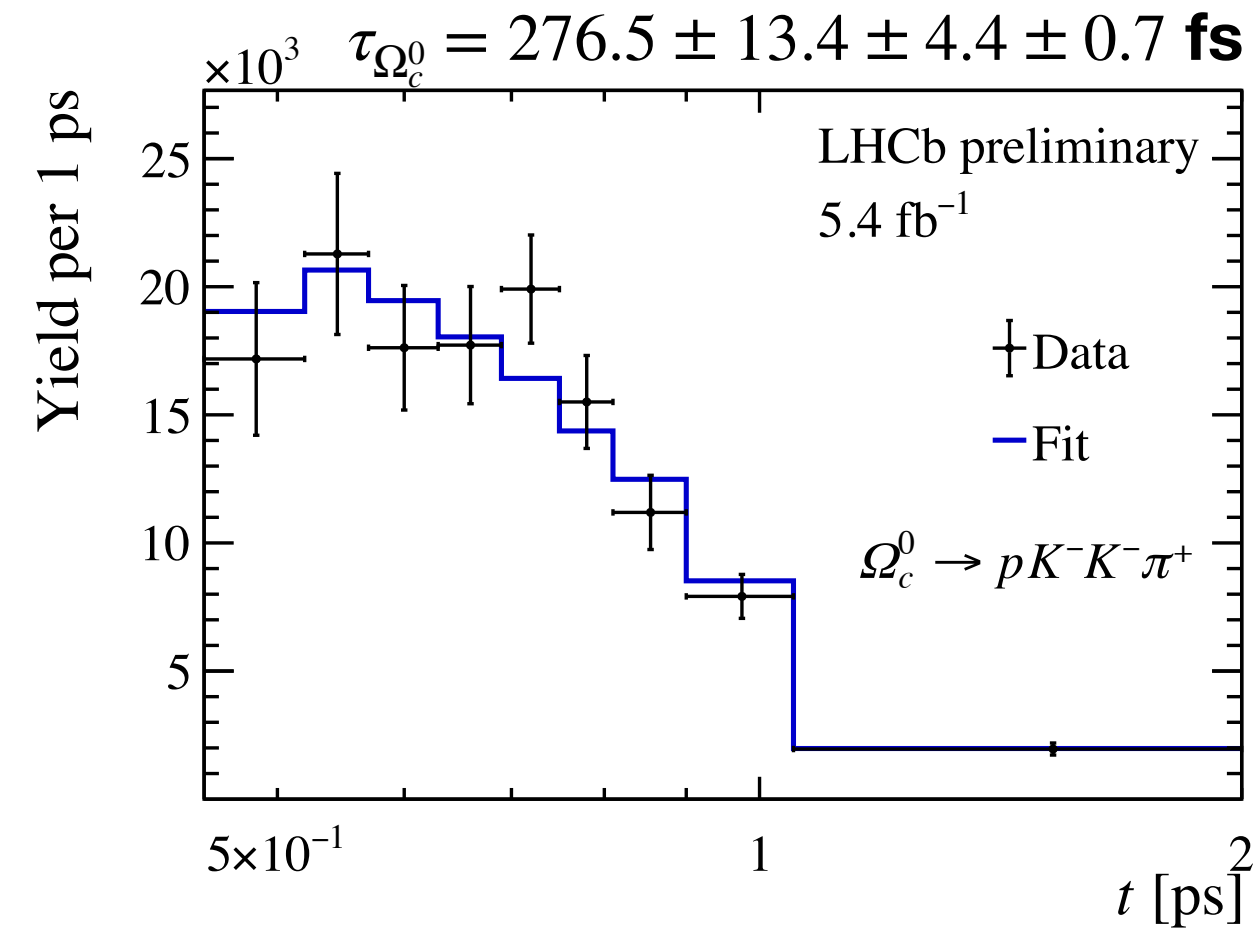


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## Results



### Systematic Uncertainties

Sources	$\tau_{\Omega_c^0}$ [fs]	$\tau_{\Xi_c^0}$ [fs]
Fit model	2.2	1.0
Calibration sample size	0.1	0.1
Kinematic correction	3.4	0.4
Decay-time resolution	1.3	1.8
$\chi_{\text{IP}}^2$ scaling	1.1	0.5
Decay-length scale	0.1	0.1
$D^0$ mixing	0.8	0.6
<b>Total systematic uncertainty</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>2.2</b>
$D^0$ lifetime	0.7	0.2
<b>Statistical uncertainty</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>2.3</b>

Control Sample

Data/MC differences

External Input

$\tau_{\Xi_c^+} > \tau_{\Omega_c^0} > \tau_{\Lambda_c^+} > \tau_{\Xi_c^0}$  **confirmed!**

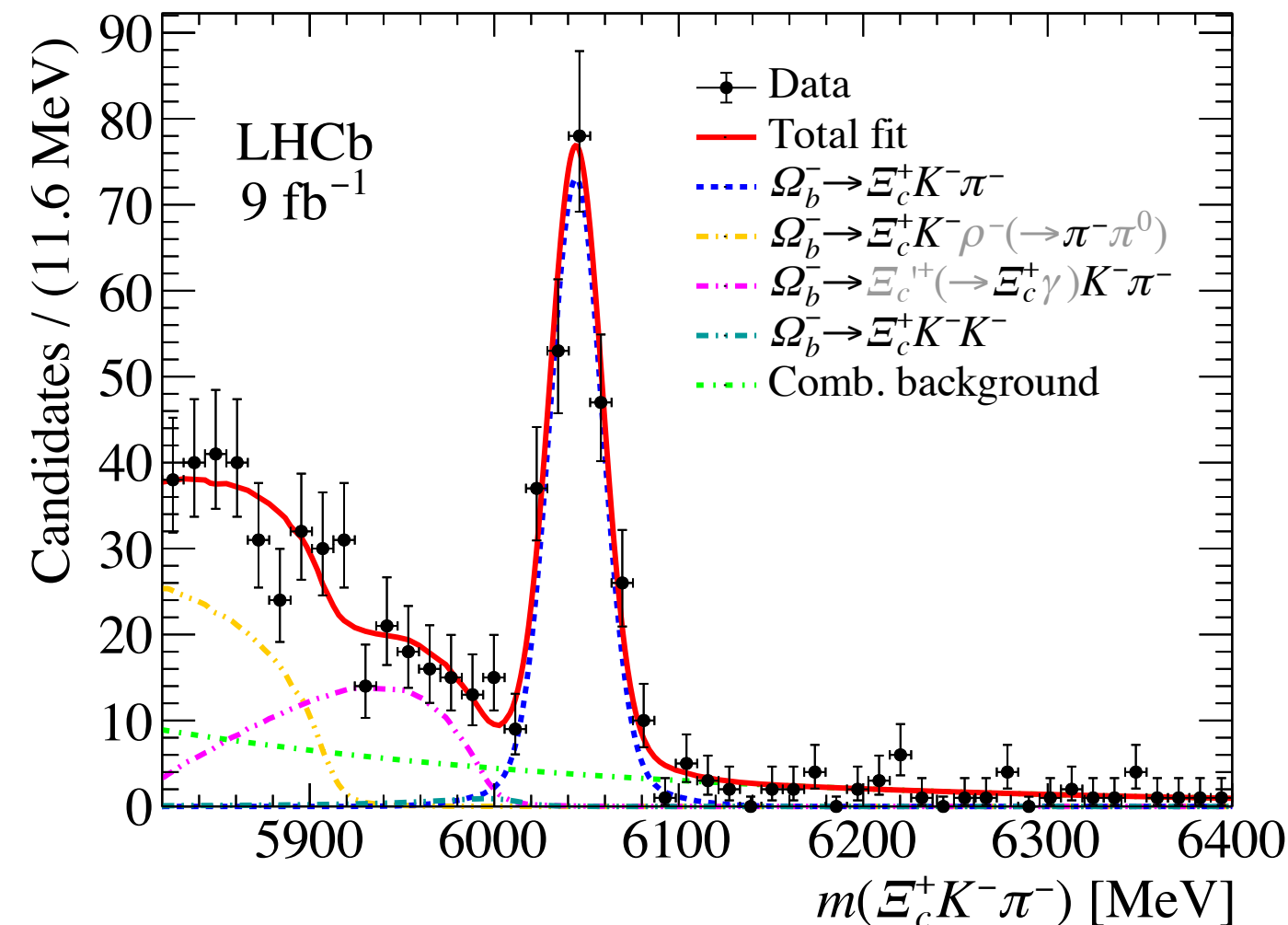
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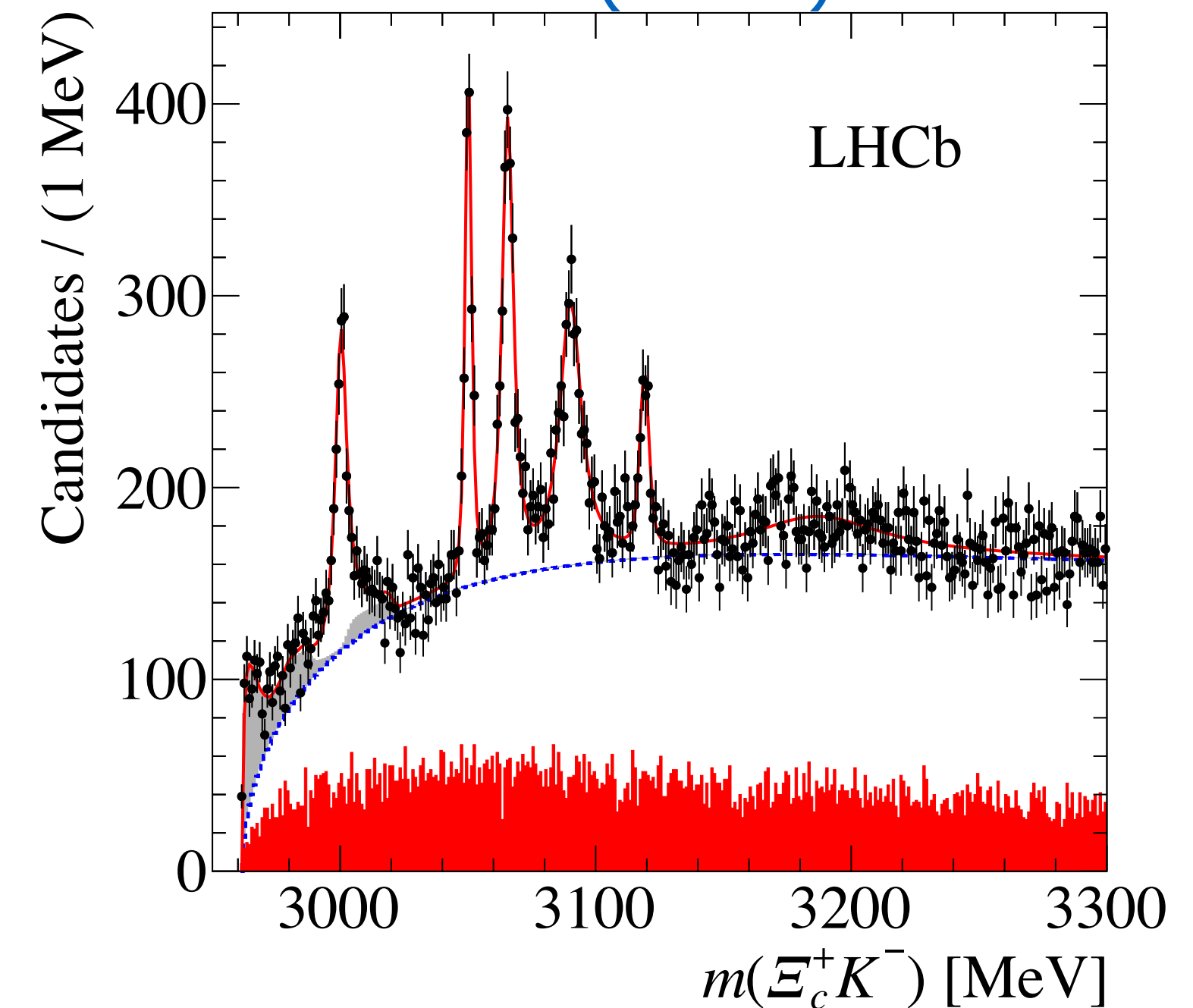
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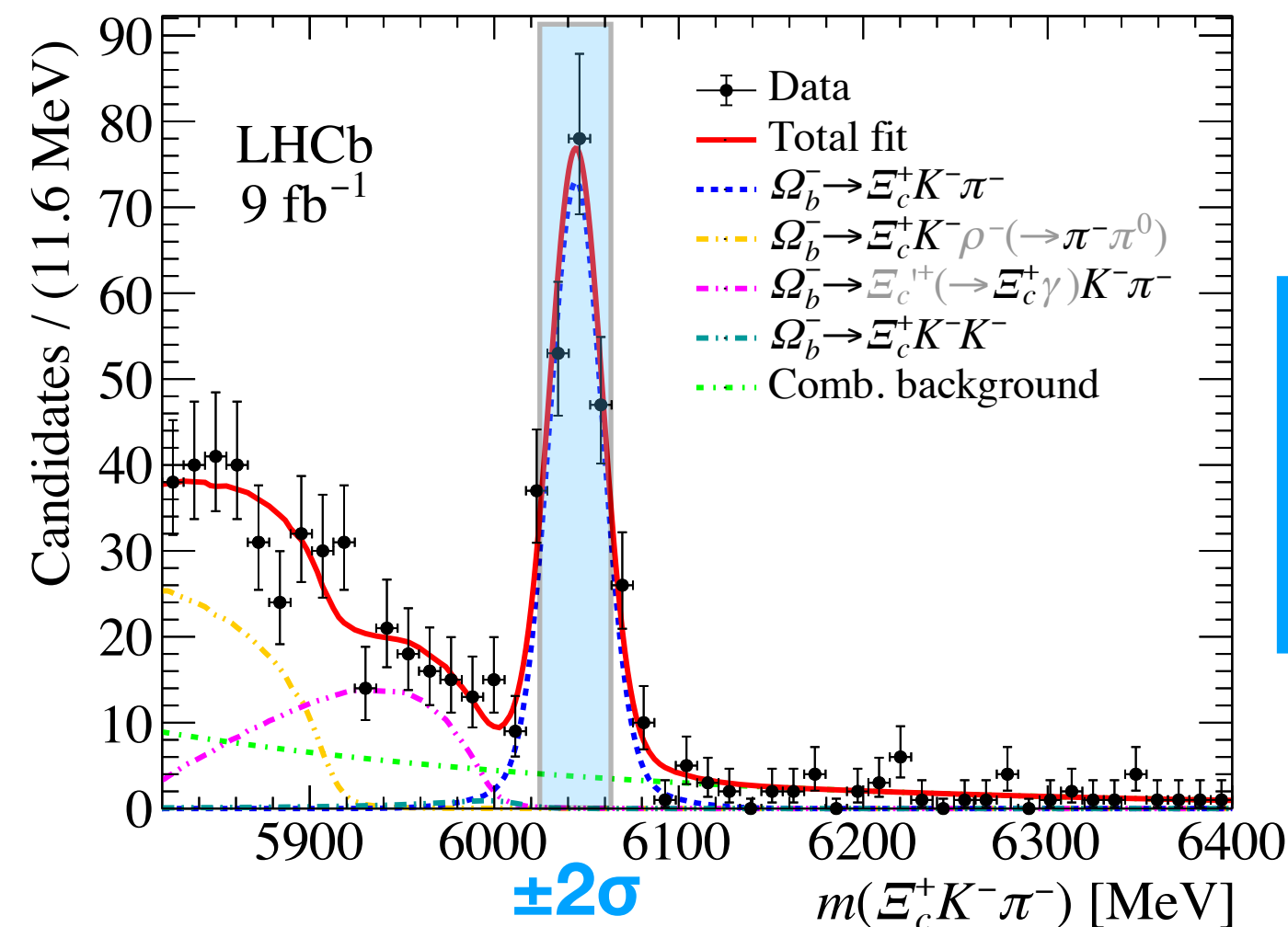
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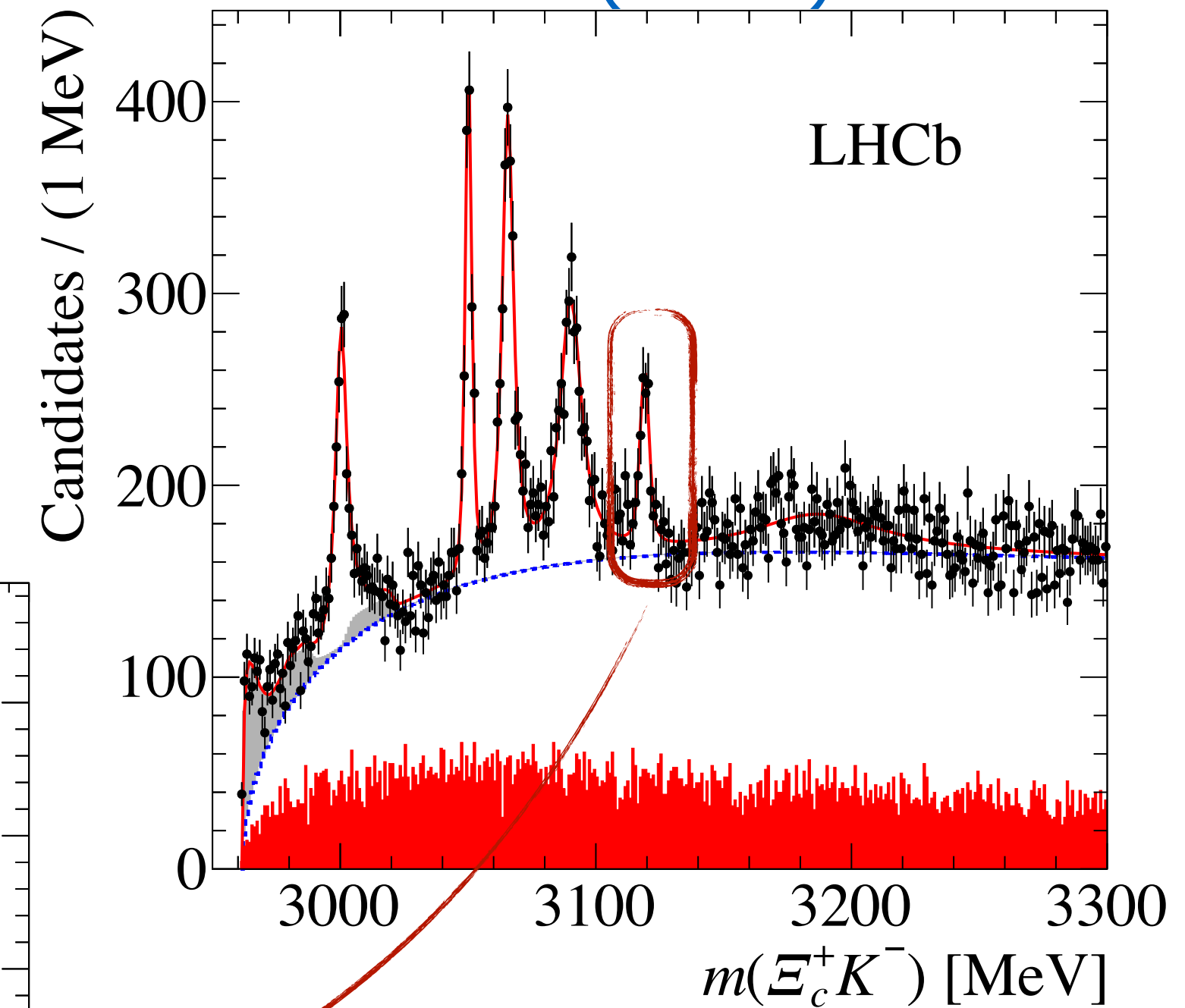
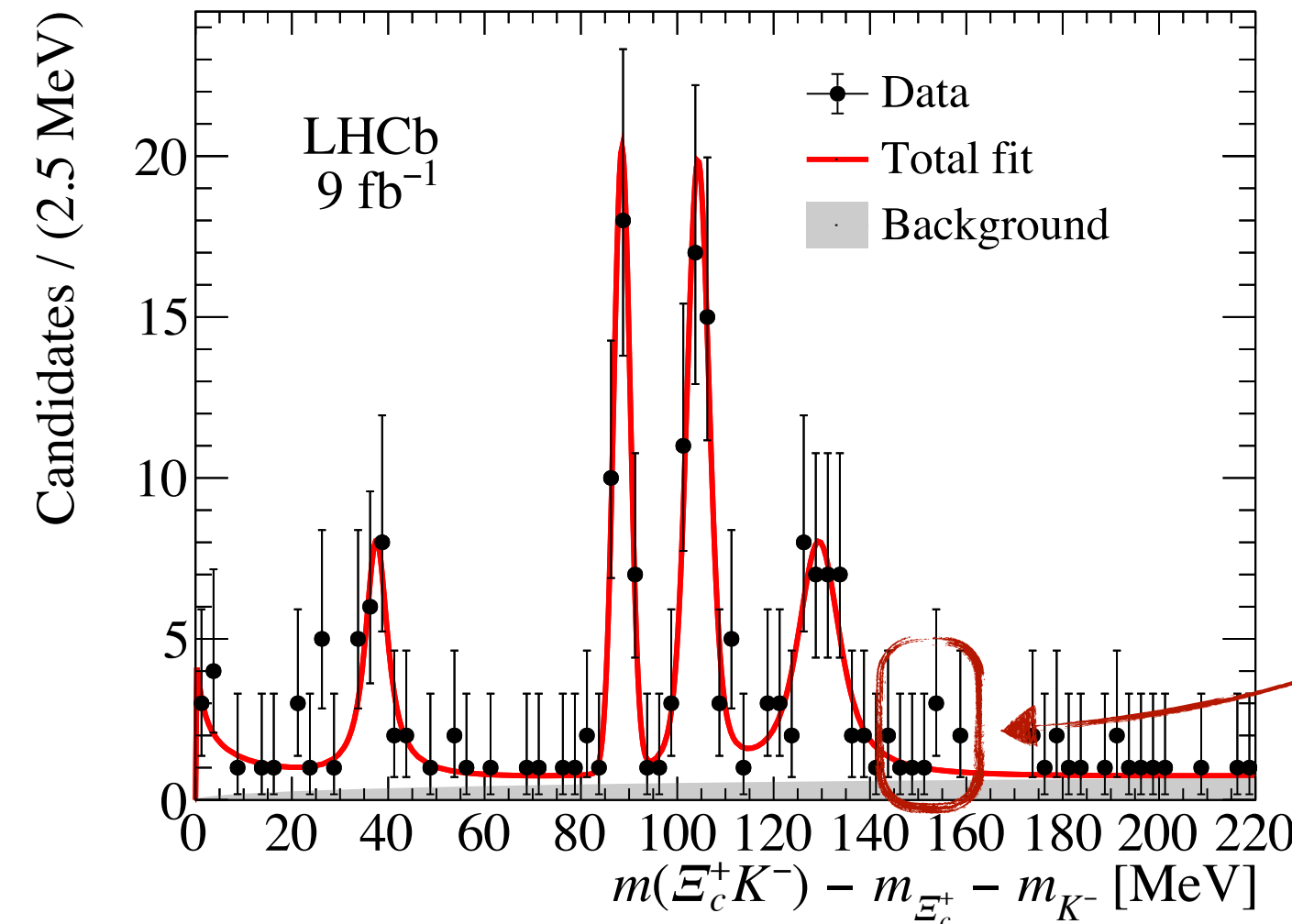
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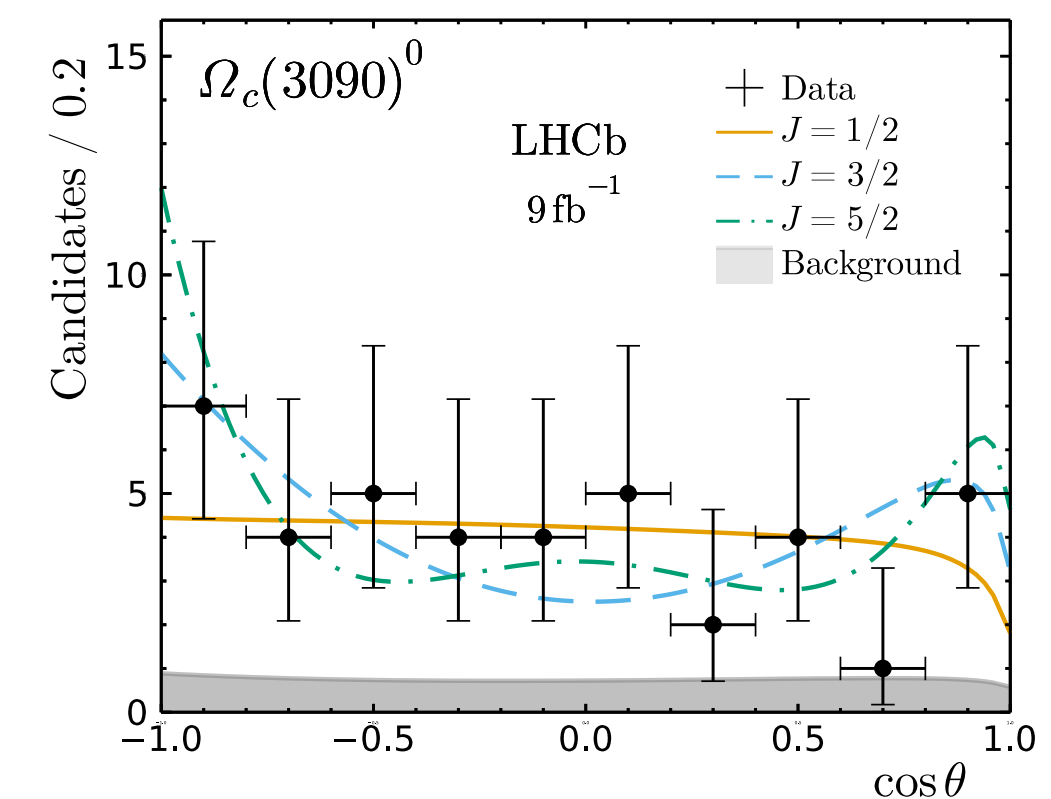
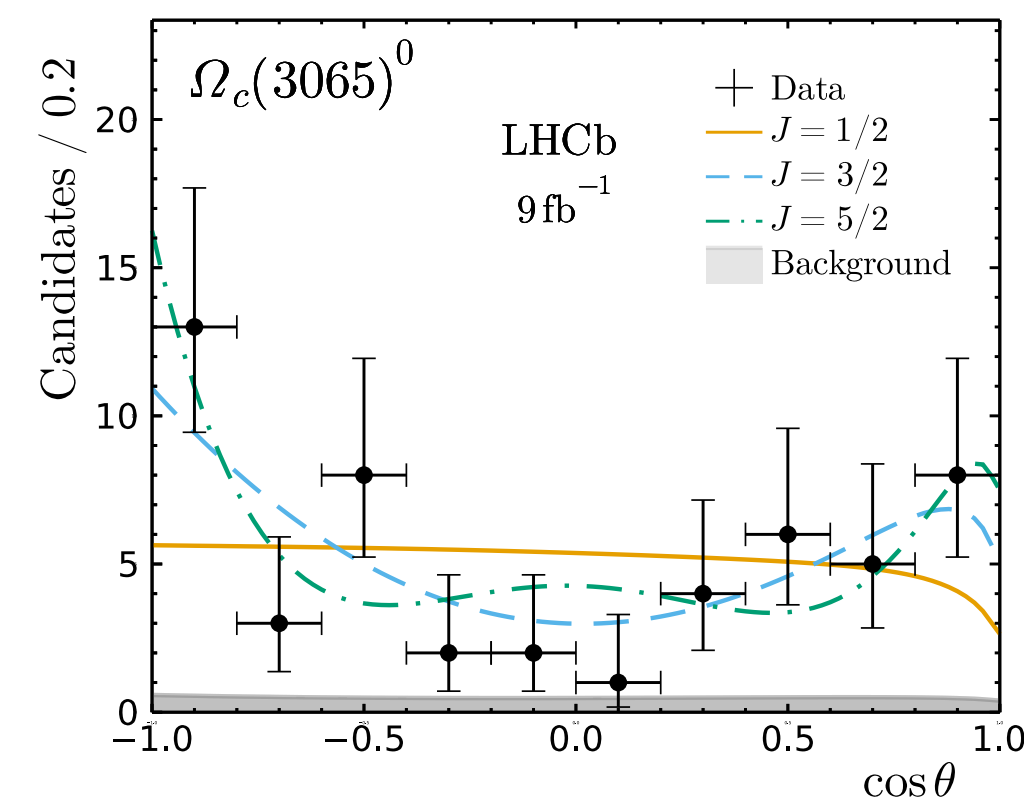
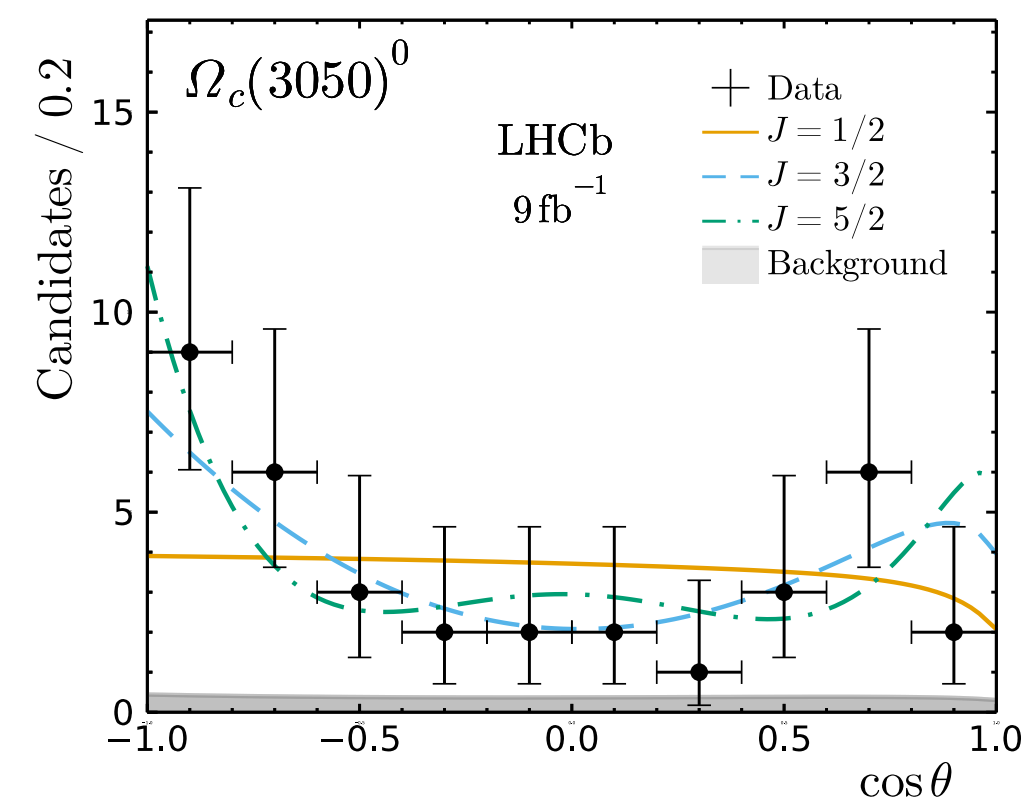
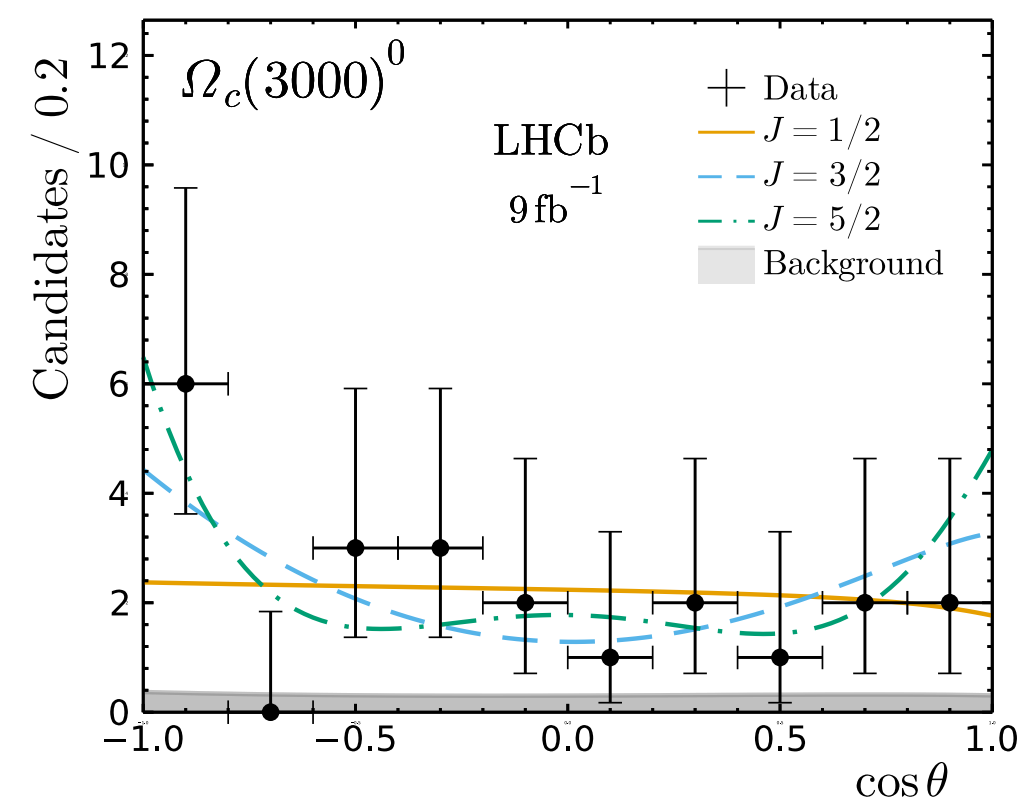


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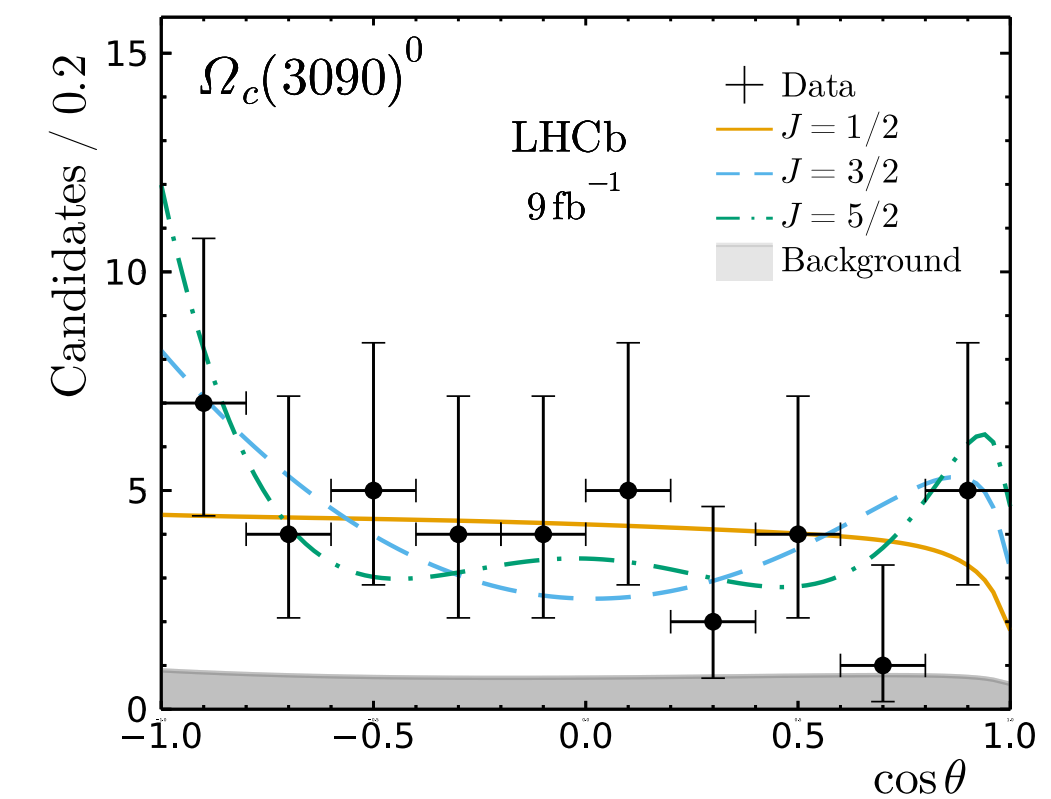
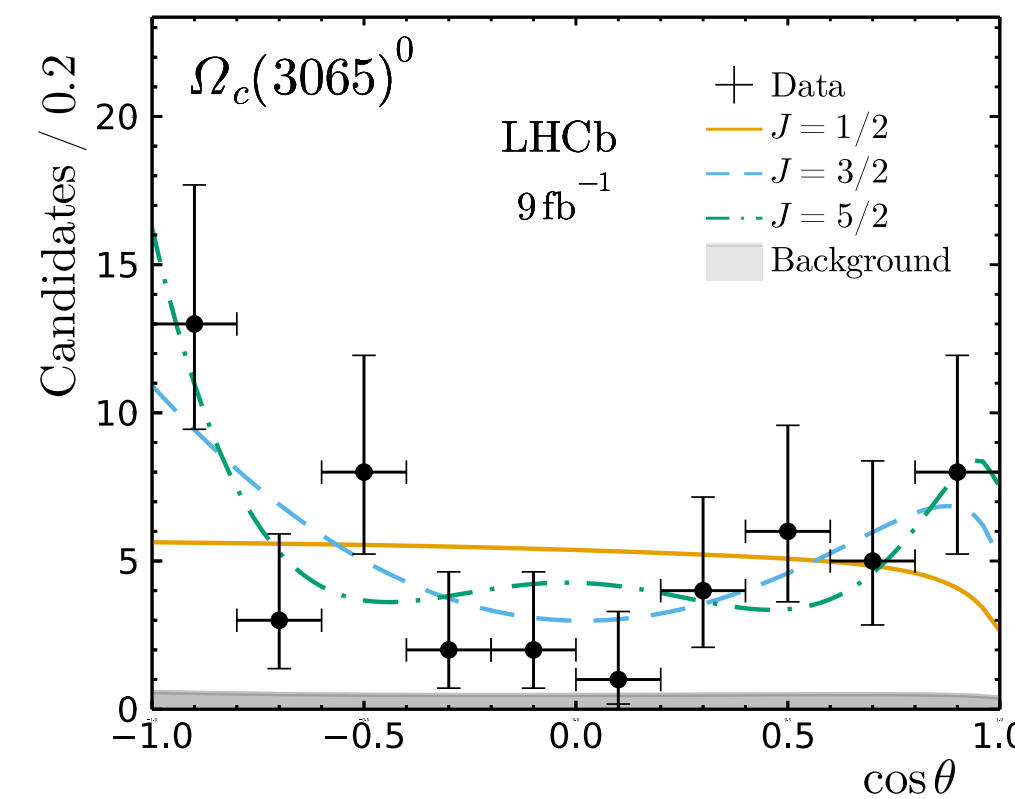
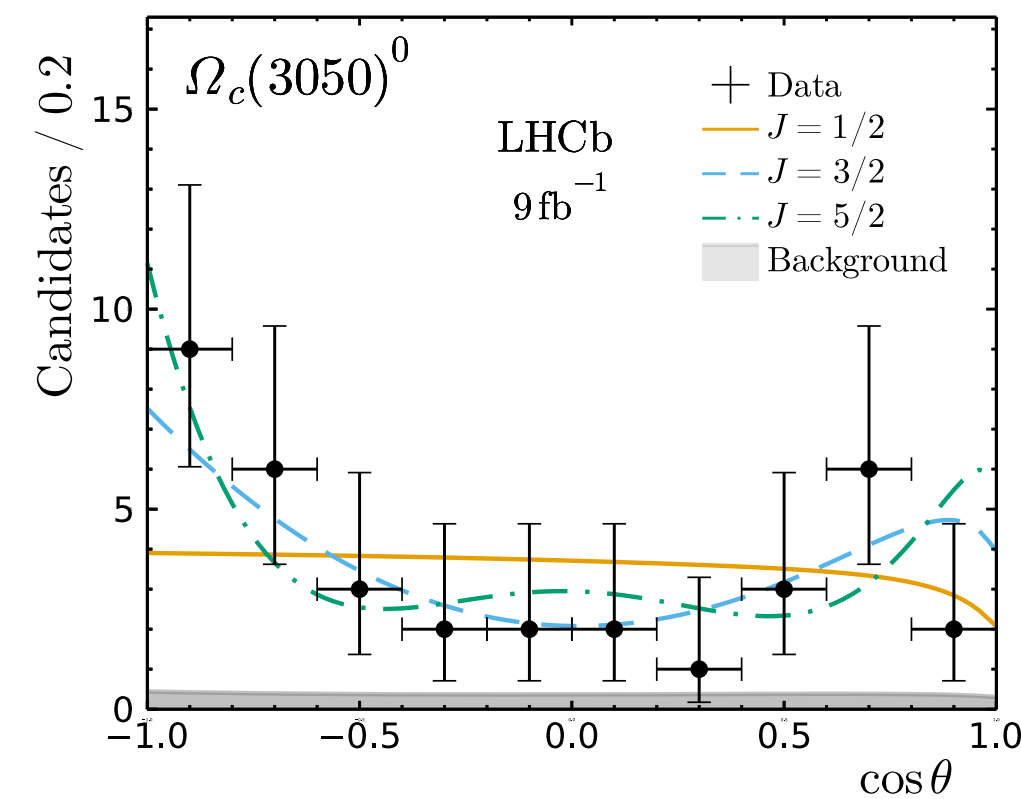
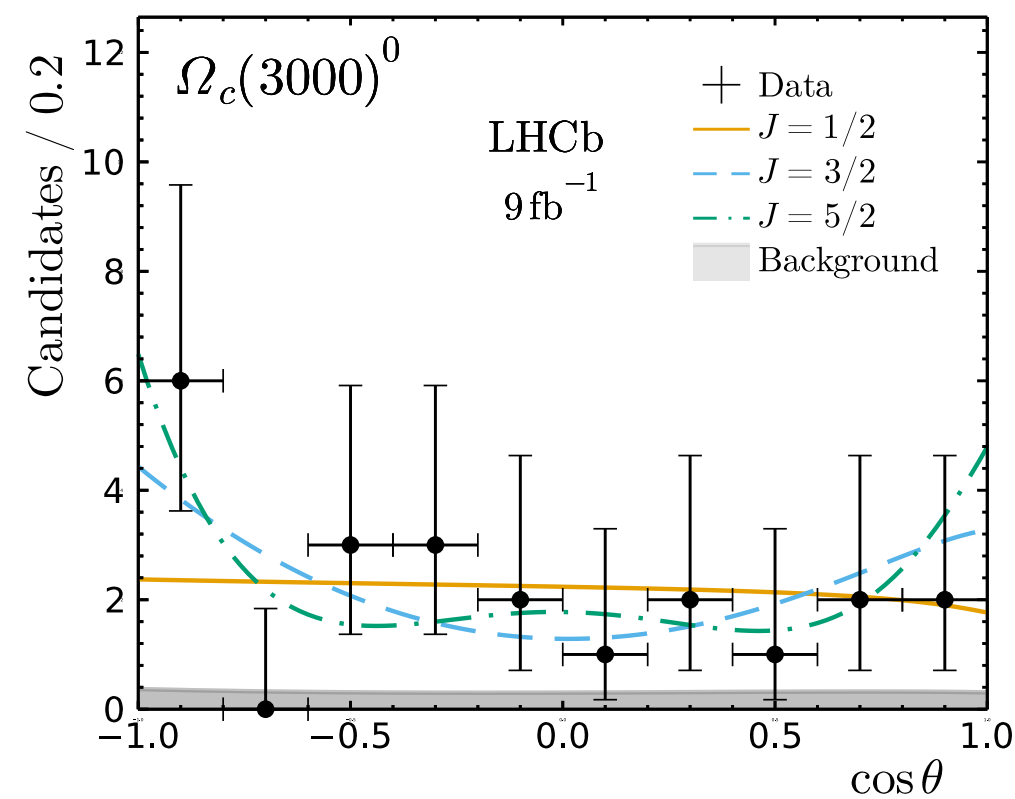
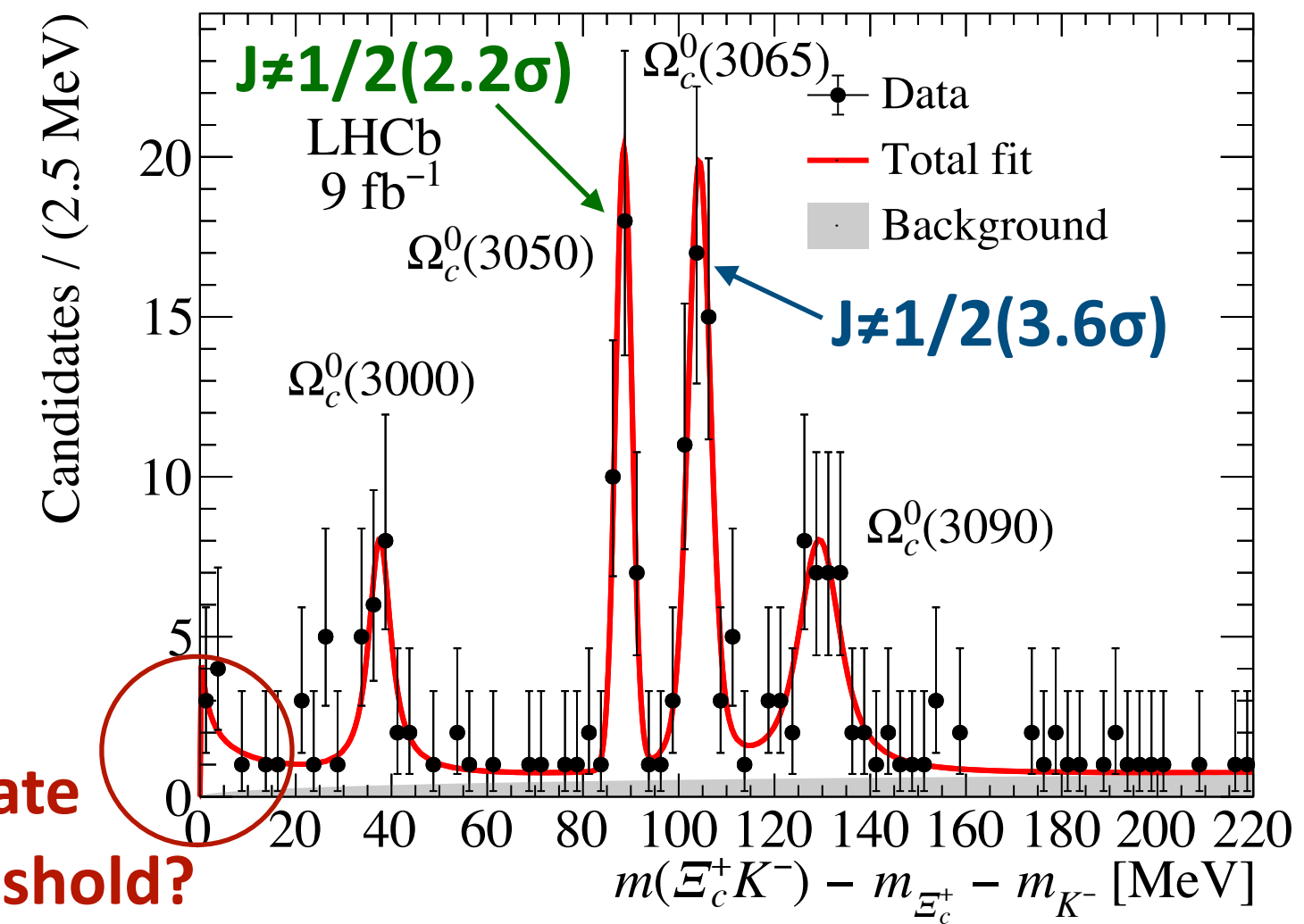
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# Summary

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## Very Active Field

- Charm is providing a lot of new and interesting results at LHCb
- Historical results achieved in the mixing and CPV
- Deepening our understanding of QCD

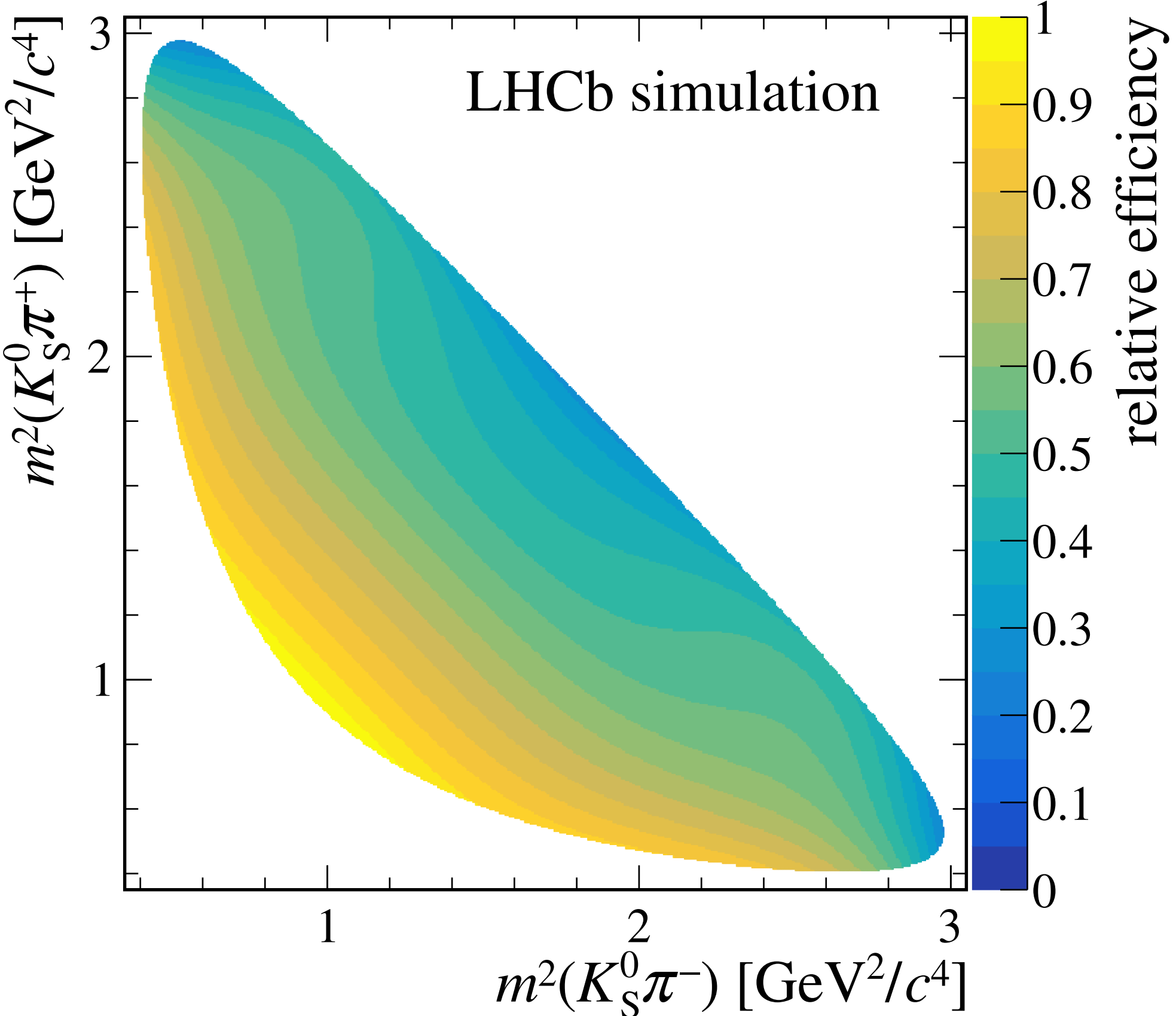
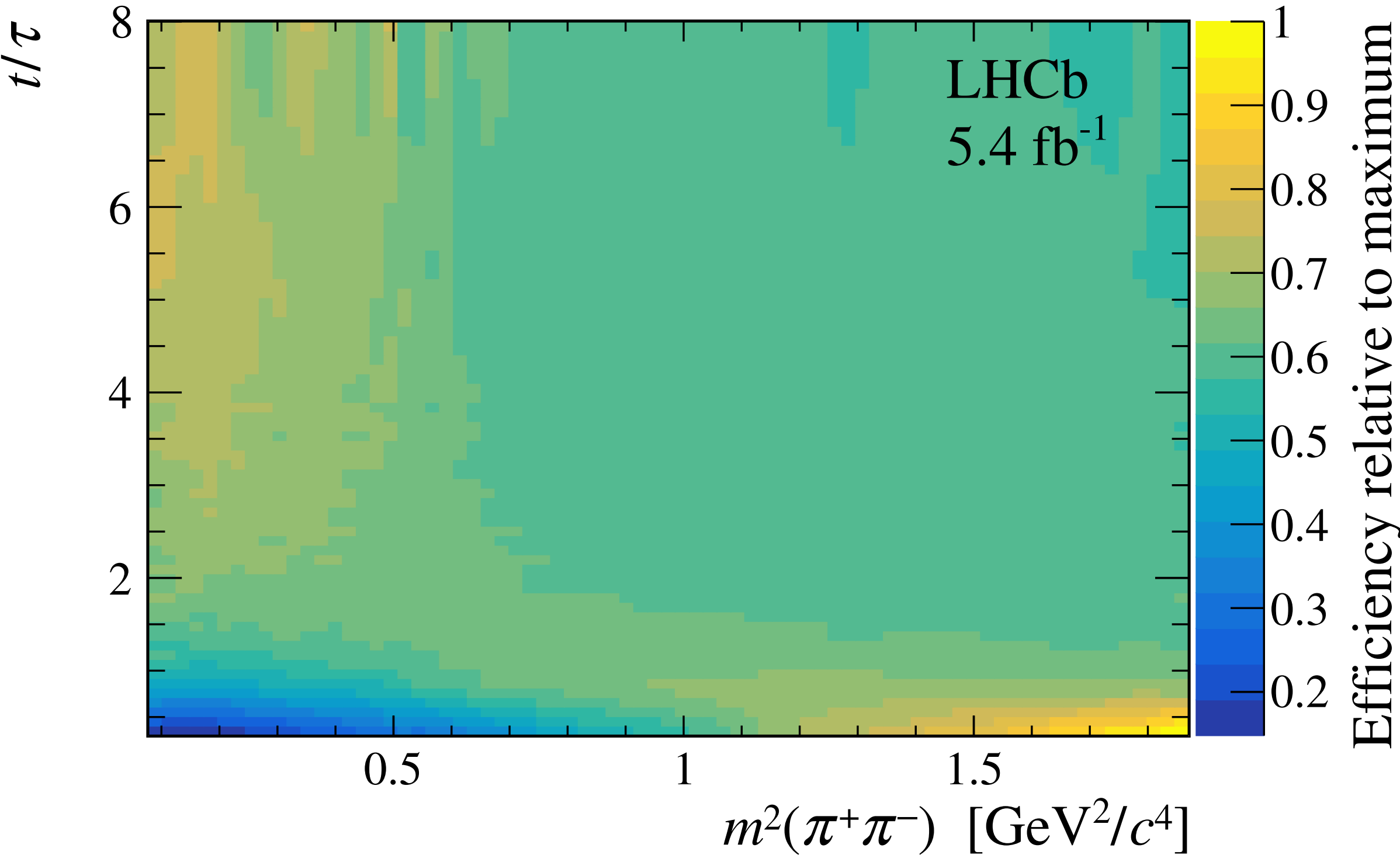
## Future

- LHCb Upgrade upcoming in 2022 (50/fb by 2030)
- We are working to prepare our new detector and push forward our limits

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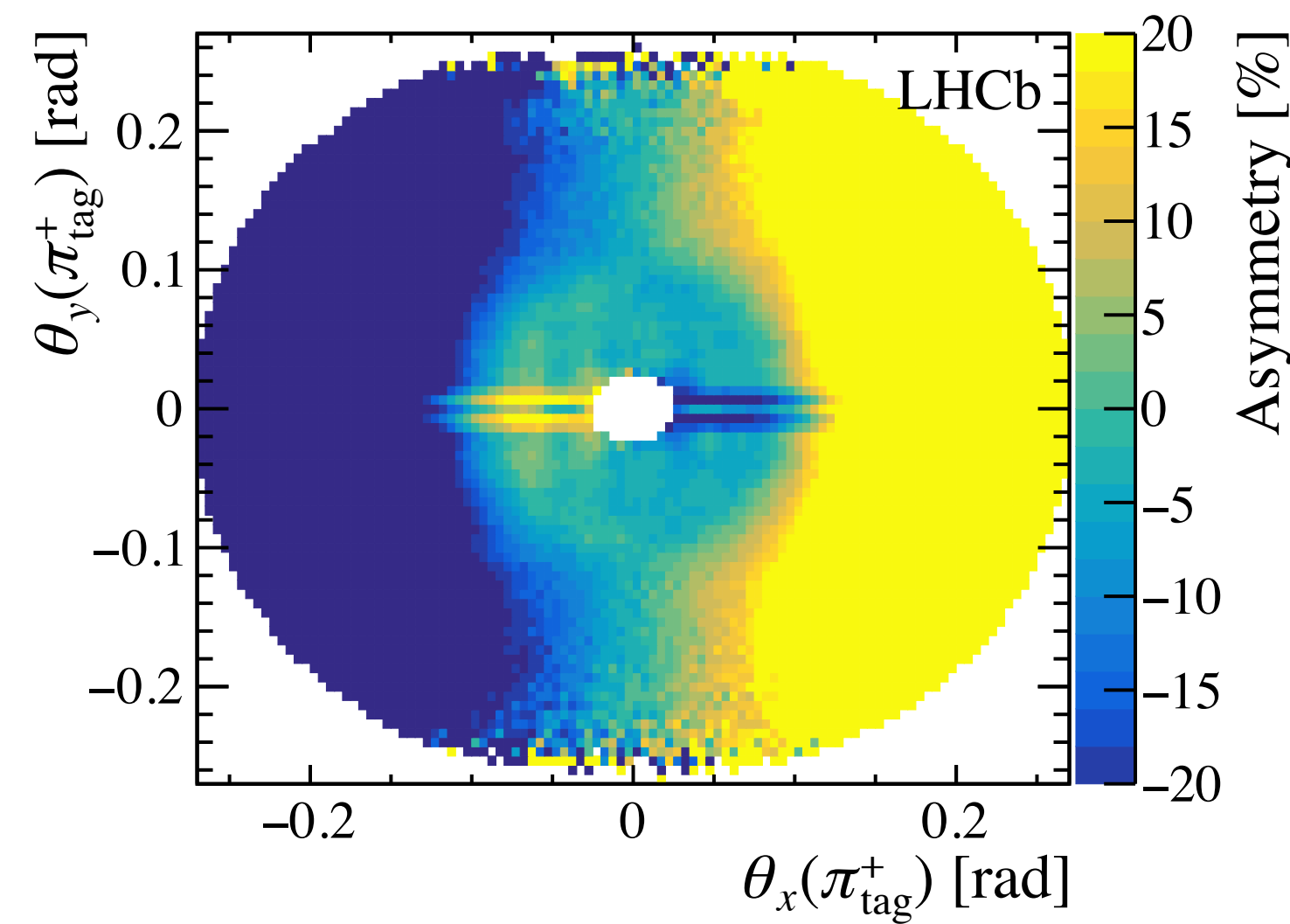
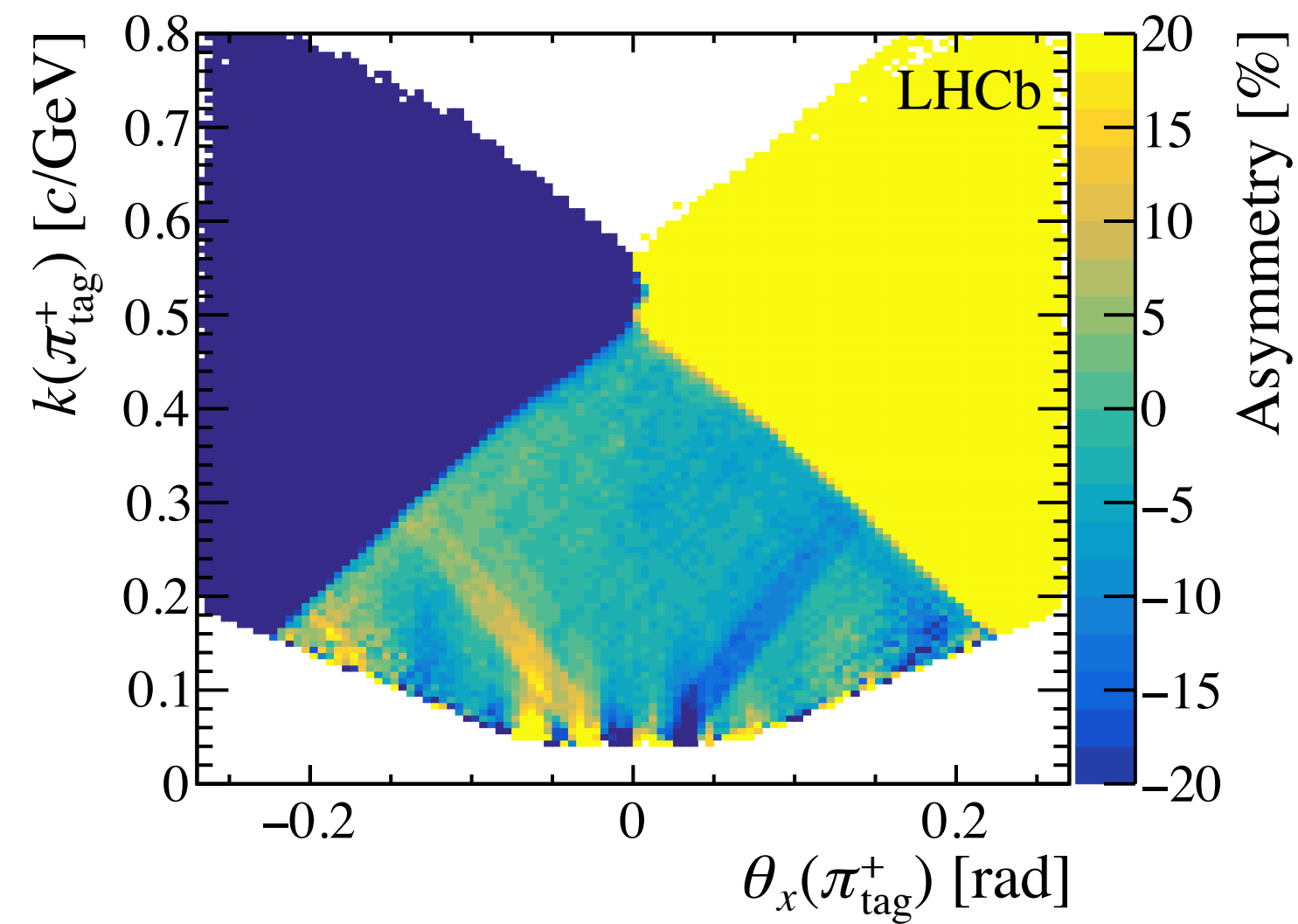
# $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ Acceptance

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# Soft Pion Asymmetry Correction in $D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^-$

arXiv:2105.09889



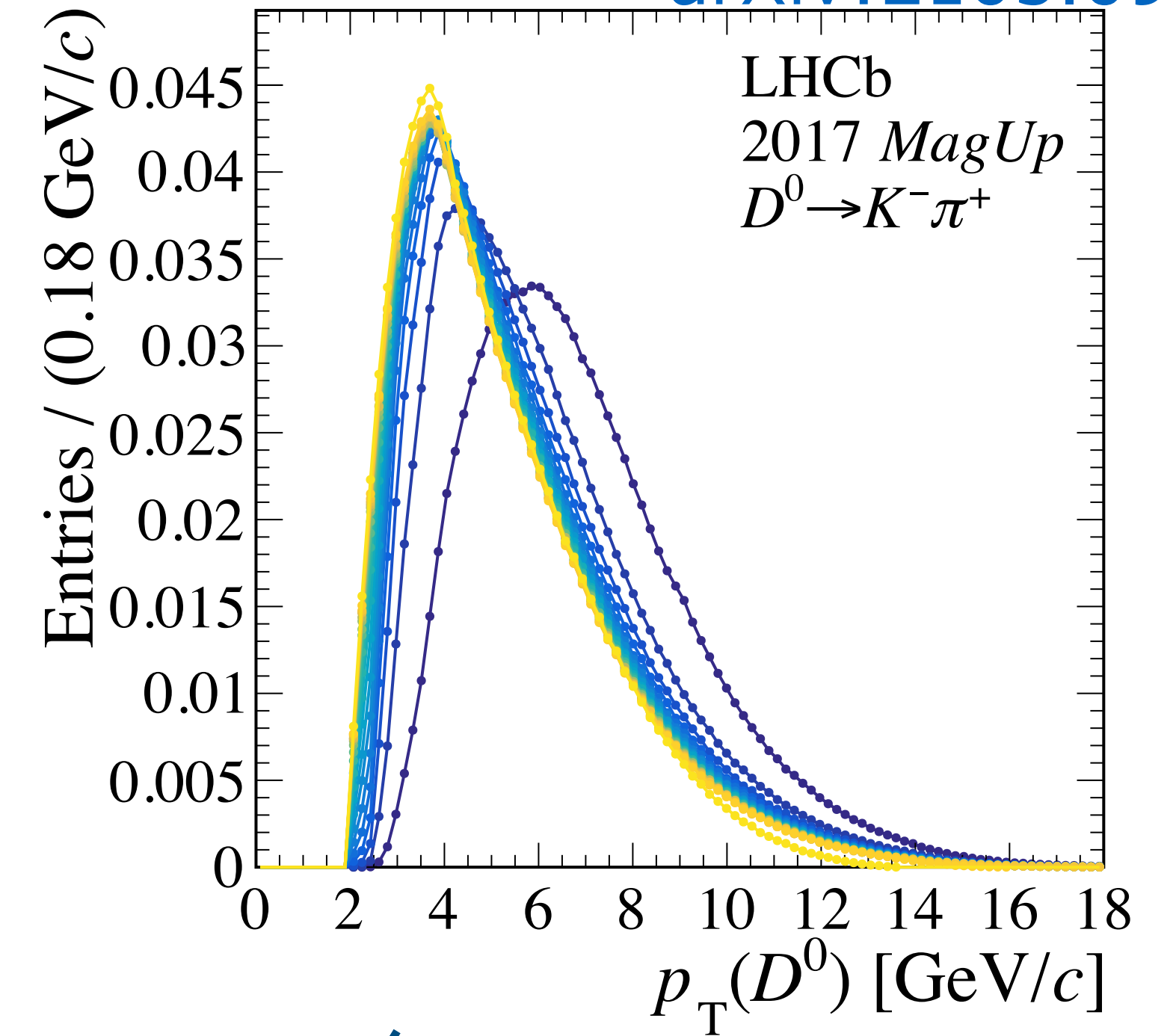
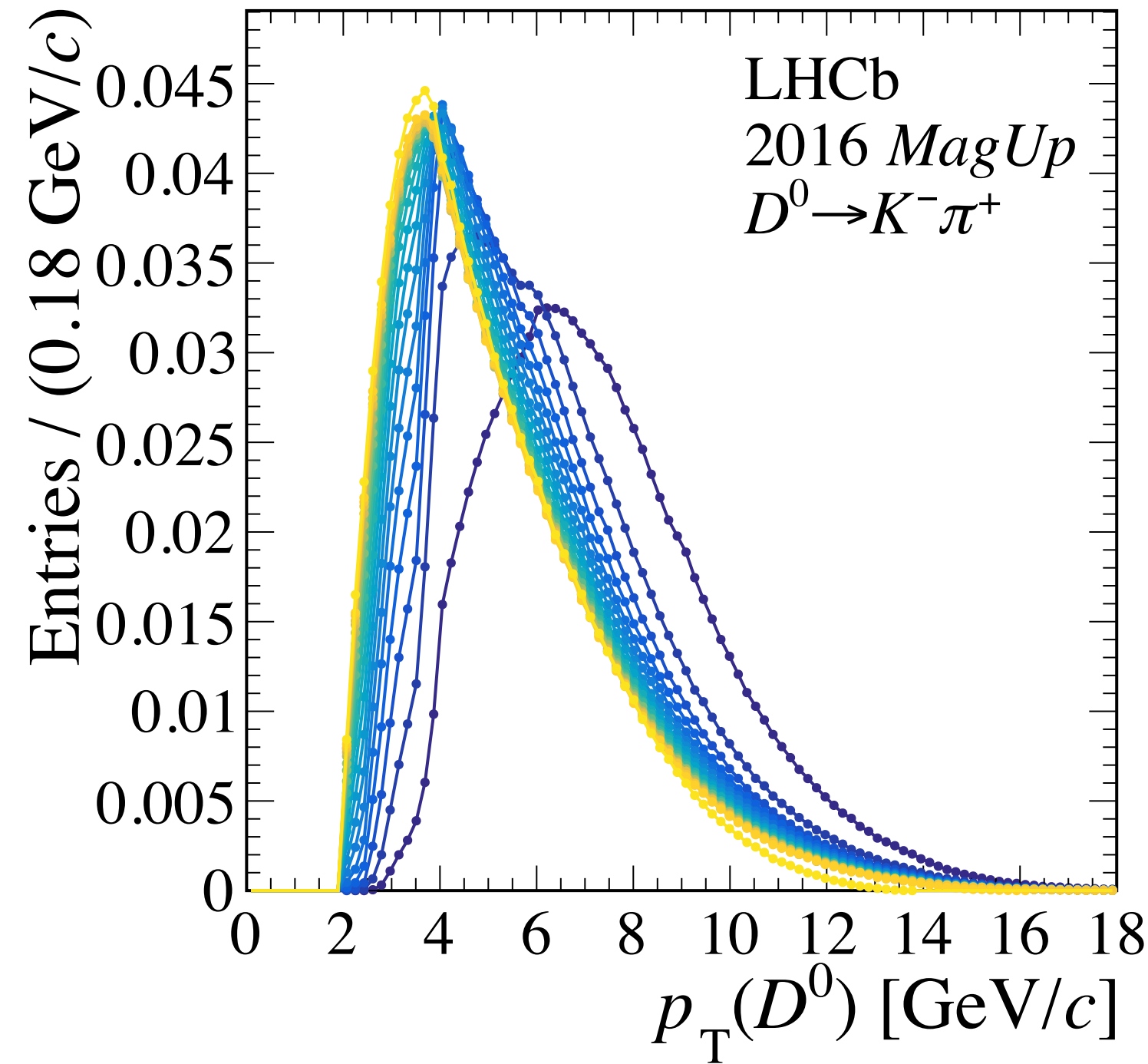
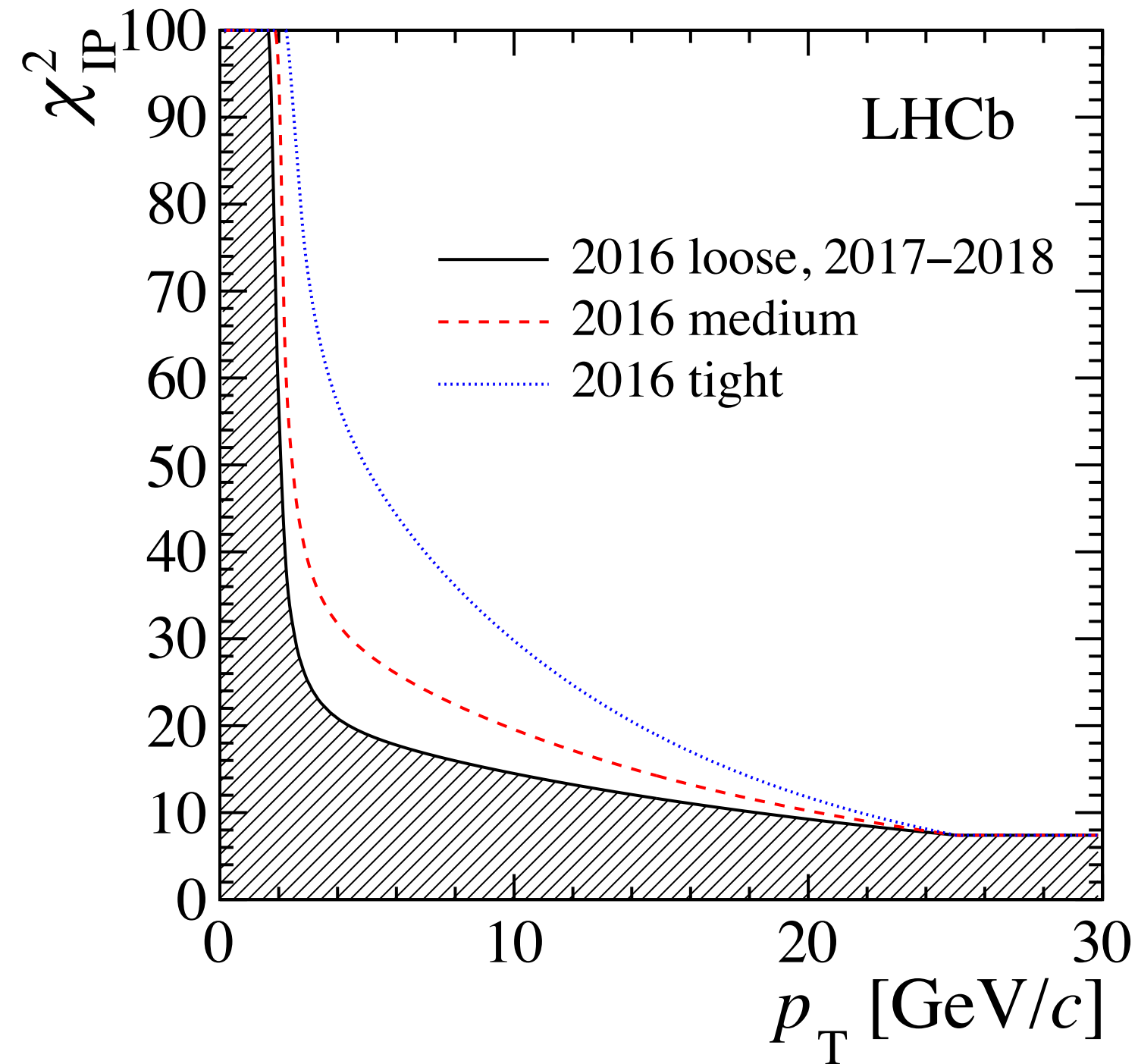
- Regions with  $|\text{asymmetry}| \geq 20\%$  are removed
- Kinematics of  $\pi_{\text{tag}}^+$  and  $\pi_{\text{tag}}^-$  are equalised by reweighing in  $k, \theta_x, \theta_y$

$$\theta_{x(y)} \equiv \arctan\left(\frac{p_{x(y)}}{p_z}\right)$$

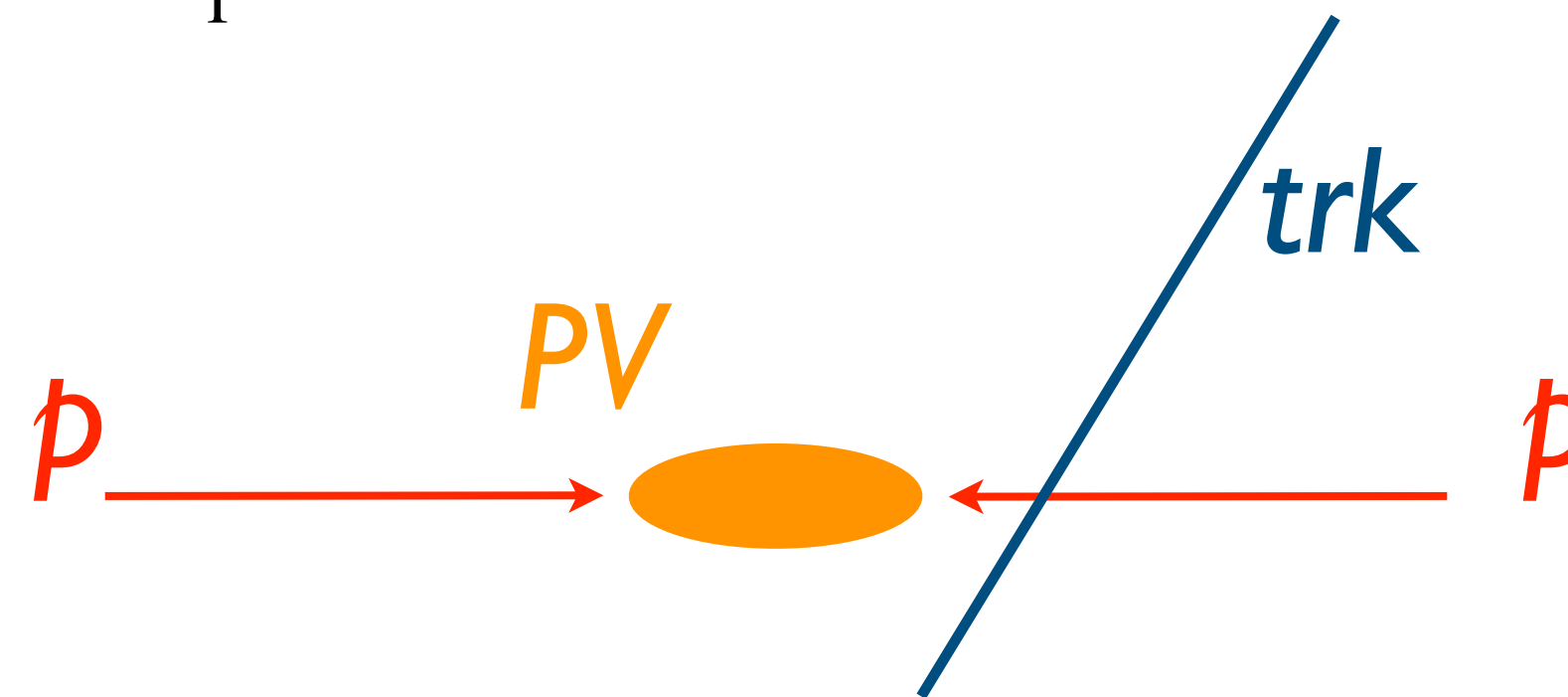
$$k \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_x^2 + p_z^2}}$$

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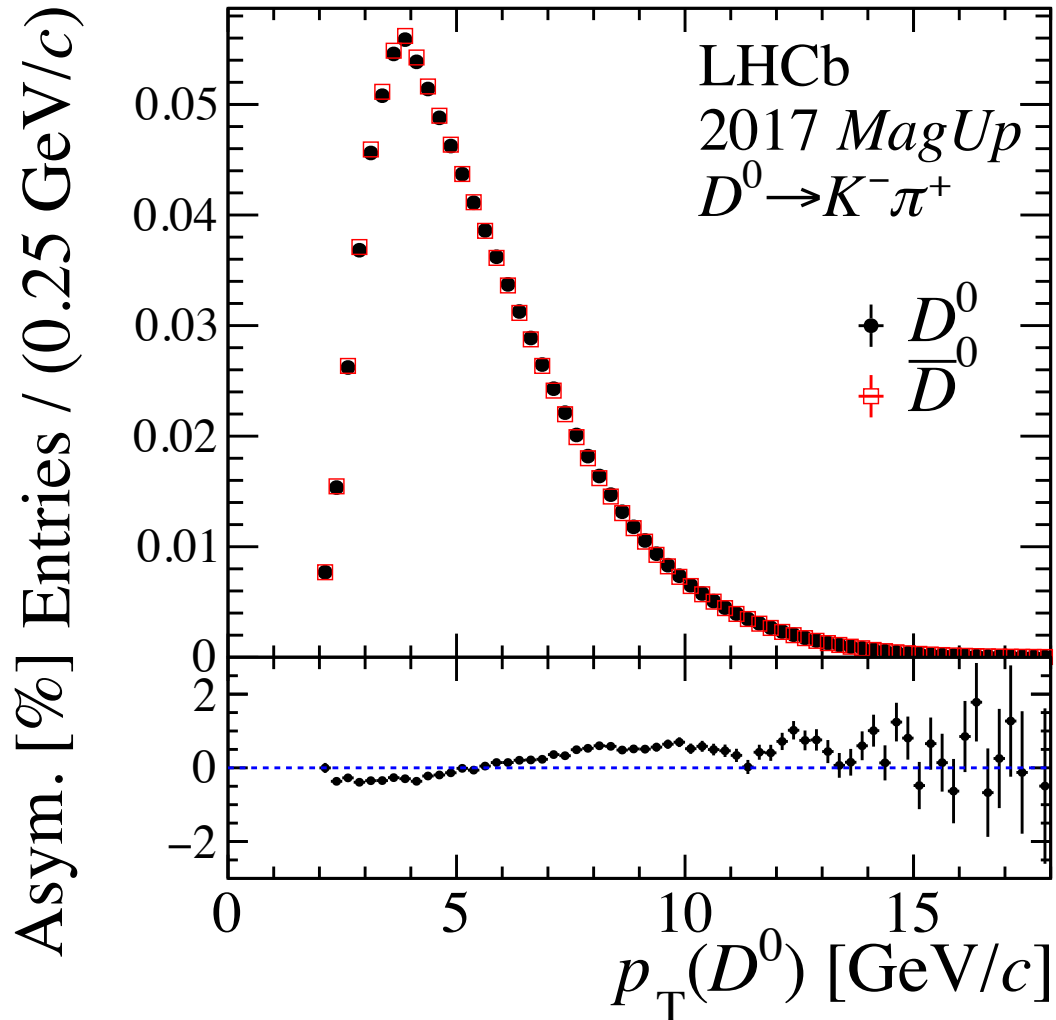
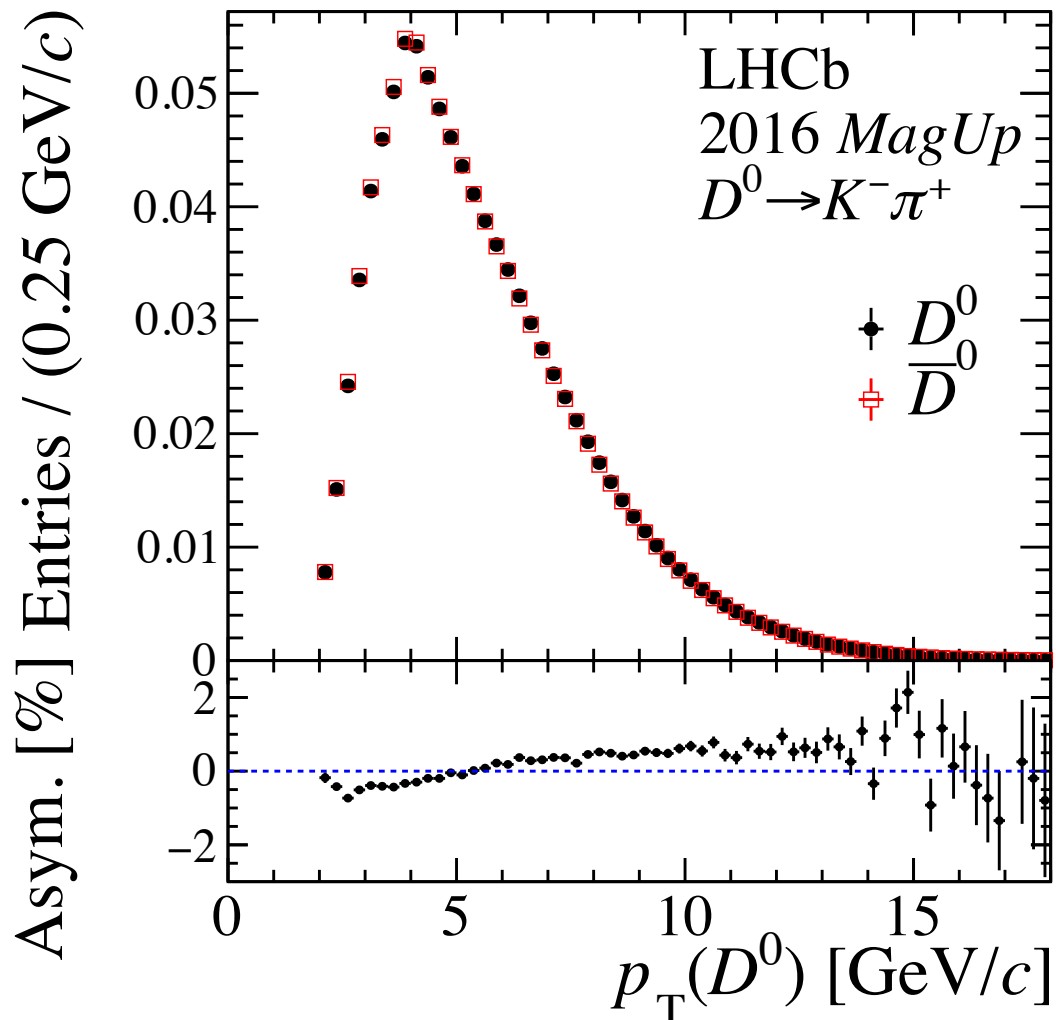


$$\chi^2_{IP} = \chi^2(\mathbf{PV} + \mathbf{trk}) - \chi^2(\mathbf{PV})$$



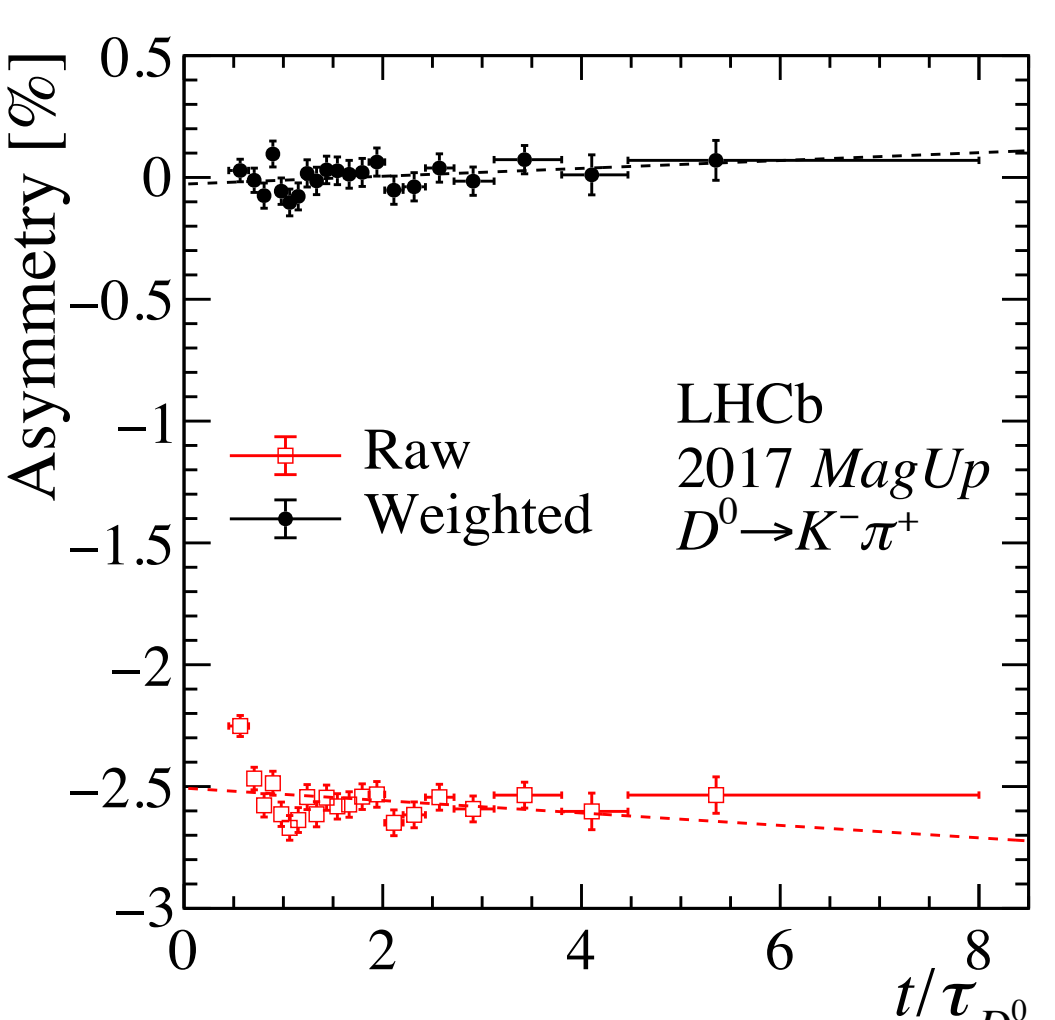
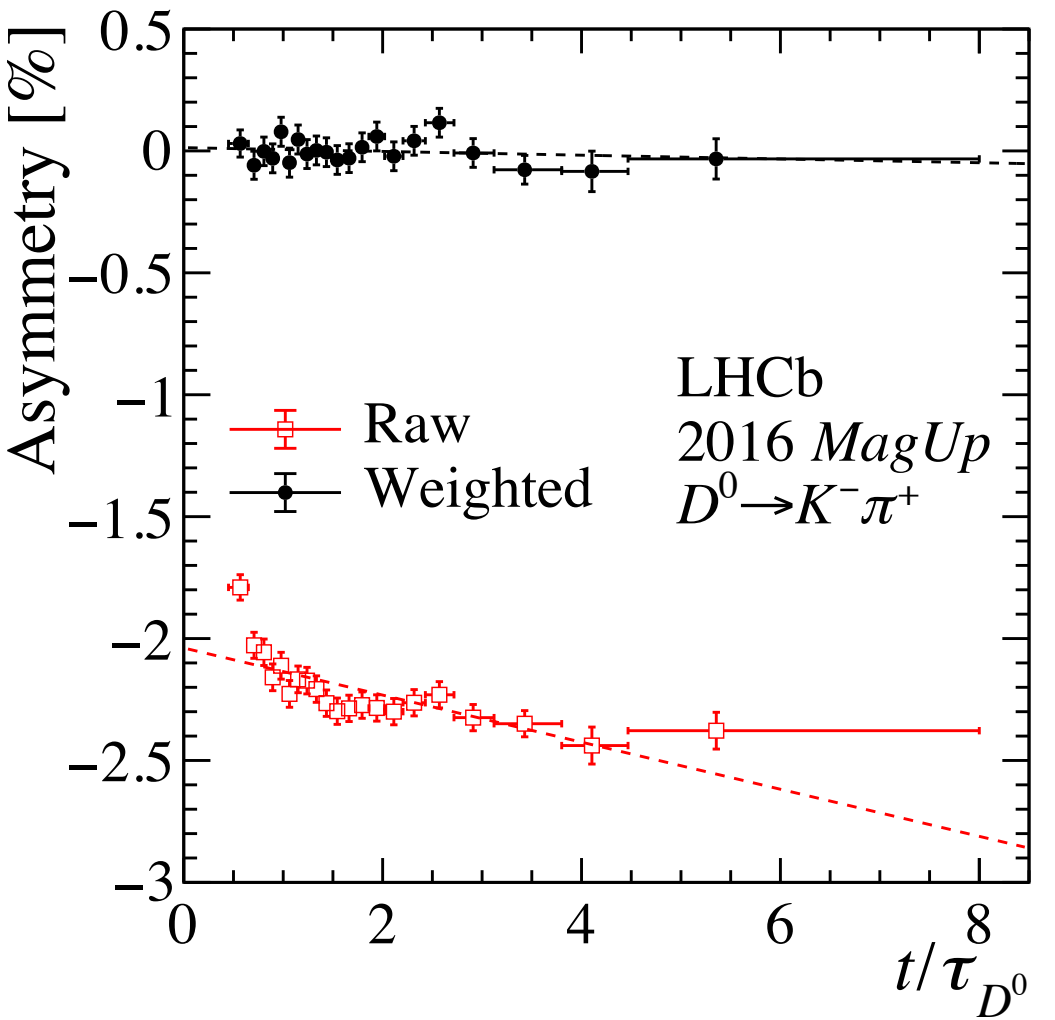


# Residual Asymmetry in $D^0 \rightarrow h^+ h^-$



- After  $\pi^+_{tag}$  reweighing residual asymmetry in  $p_T(D^0)$  due to trigger acceptance

- Further reweighing in  $p_T(D^0)$ ,  $\eta(D^0)$ ,  $\eta(\pi^+_{tag})$



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## Spin Assignments

