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# HAMMER

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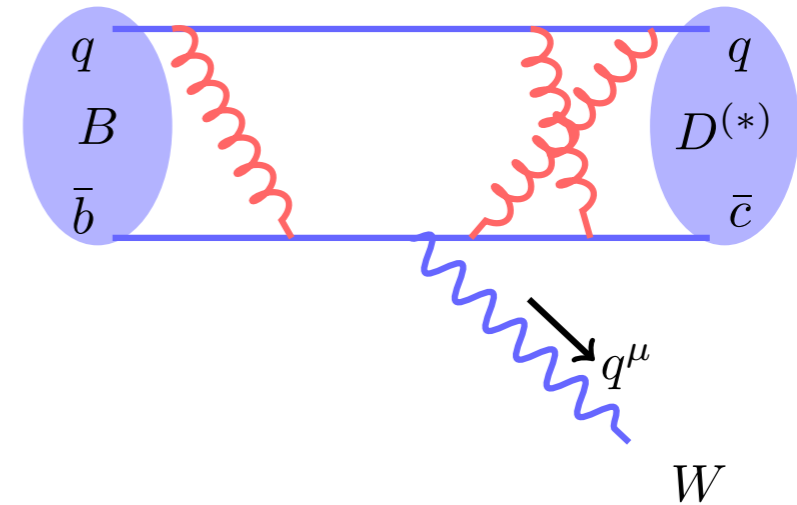
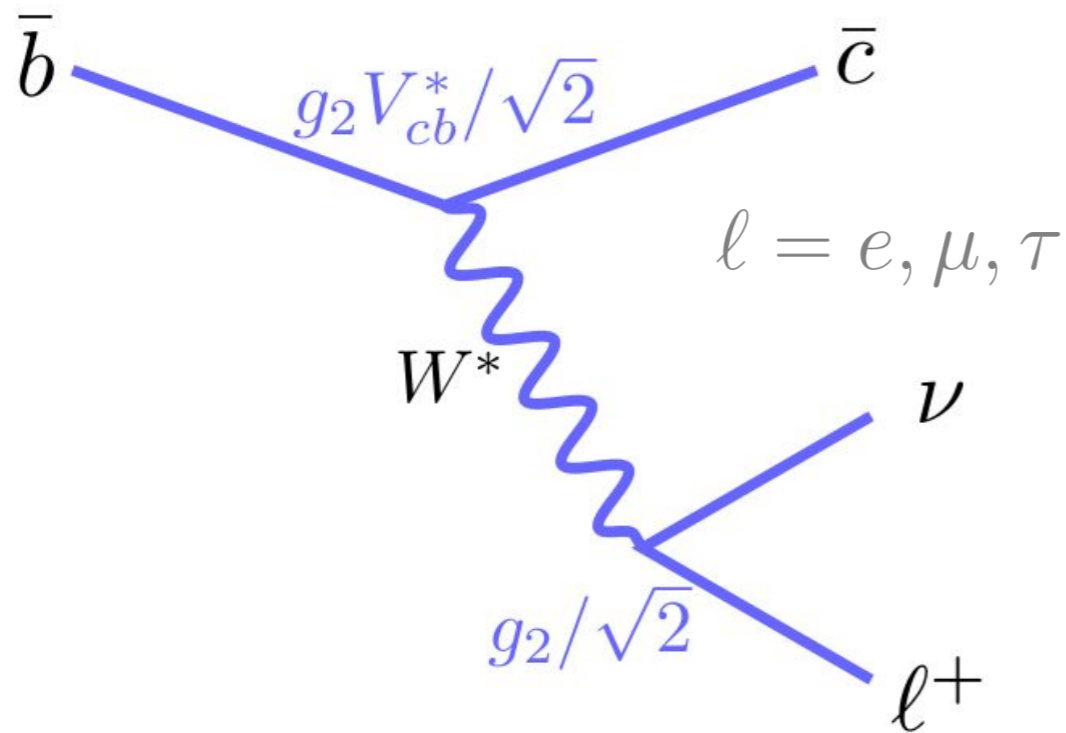
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# WHAT IS HAMMER?

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- **HAMMER** is a fast & efficient software package to reweigh already generated MonteCarlo events of semileptonic decays to **different** assumptions of **Form Factors parameterizations** (FFs) and **New Physics Wilson Coefficients** (NP WCs)
  - **Consistent** over the **fully differential phase space** (unstable particles, interference effects, ...)
  - **Fast & efficient**: enough to be used in fits even for **large MC datasets**
  - Currently used in **LHCb, Belle II, CMS** analyses

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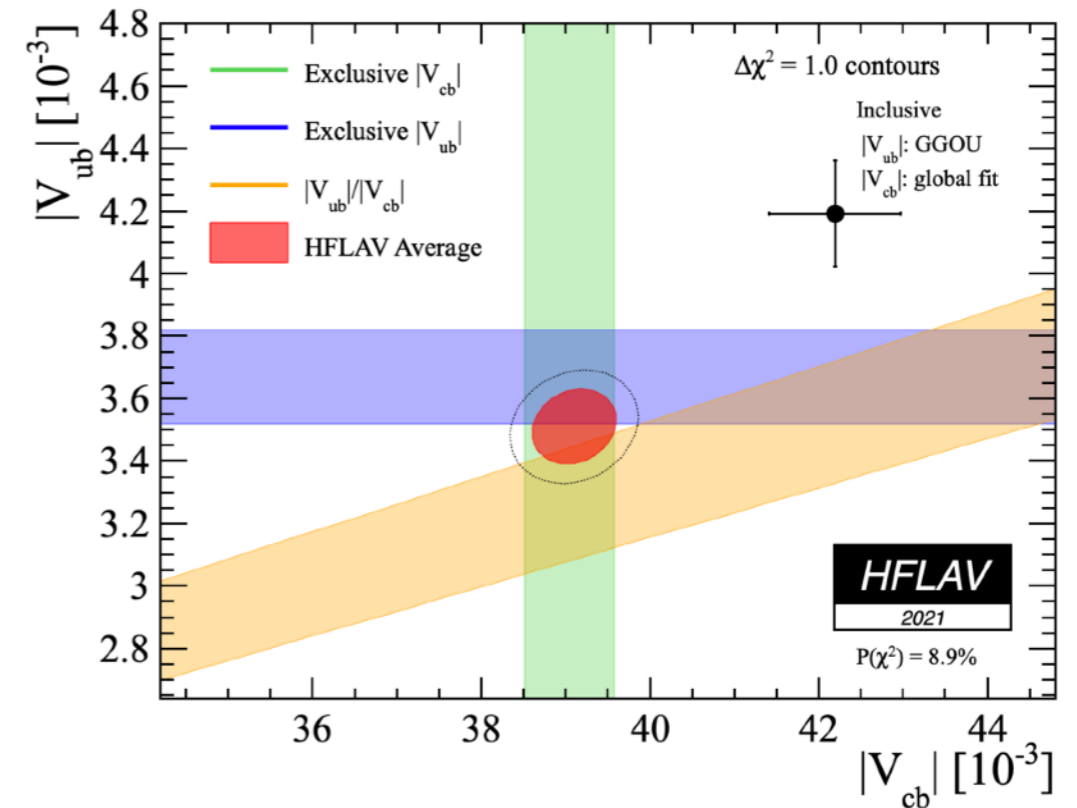
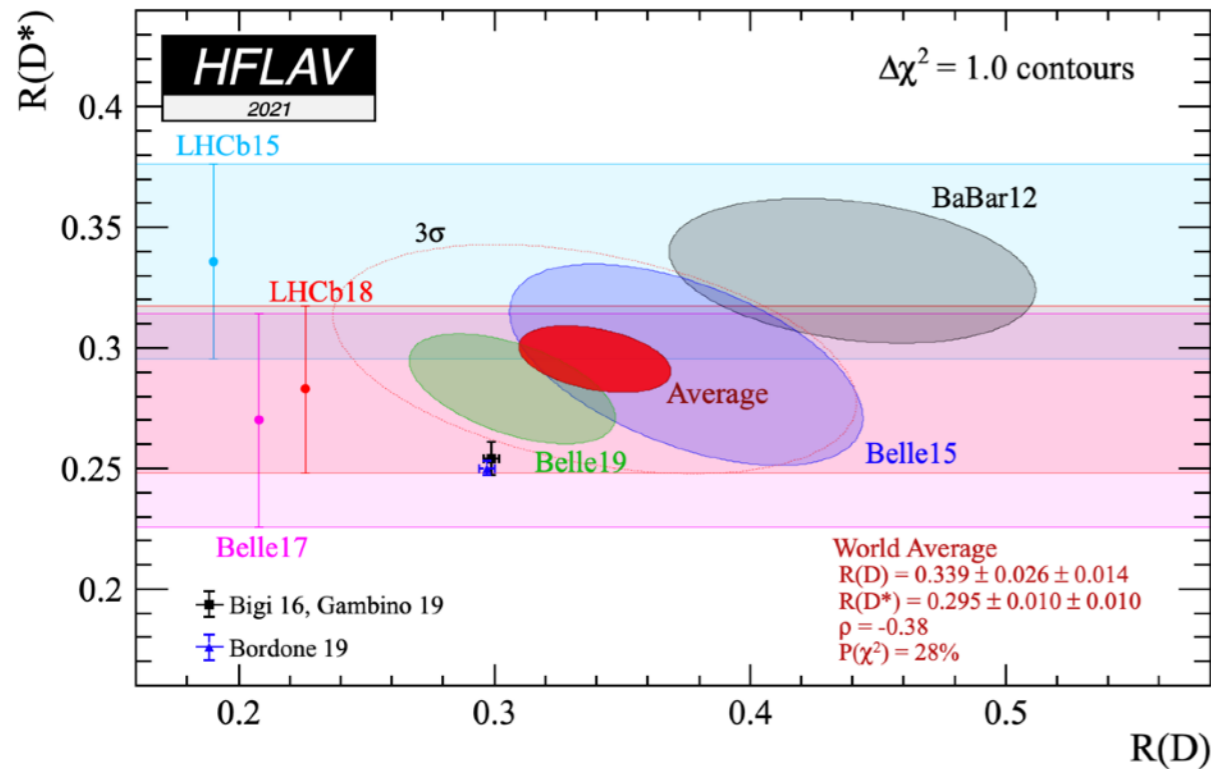


- Huge statistics:  $\sim 25\%$  of all B decays
- Clean probe of lepton flavor universality  $\tau$  vs  $\mu, e$  (up to mass effects)

$$R(D^{(*)}) = \frac{\Gamma(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau\nu)}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\mu\nu)}$$

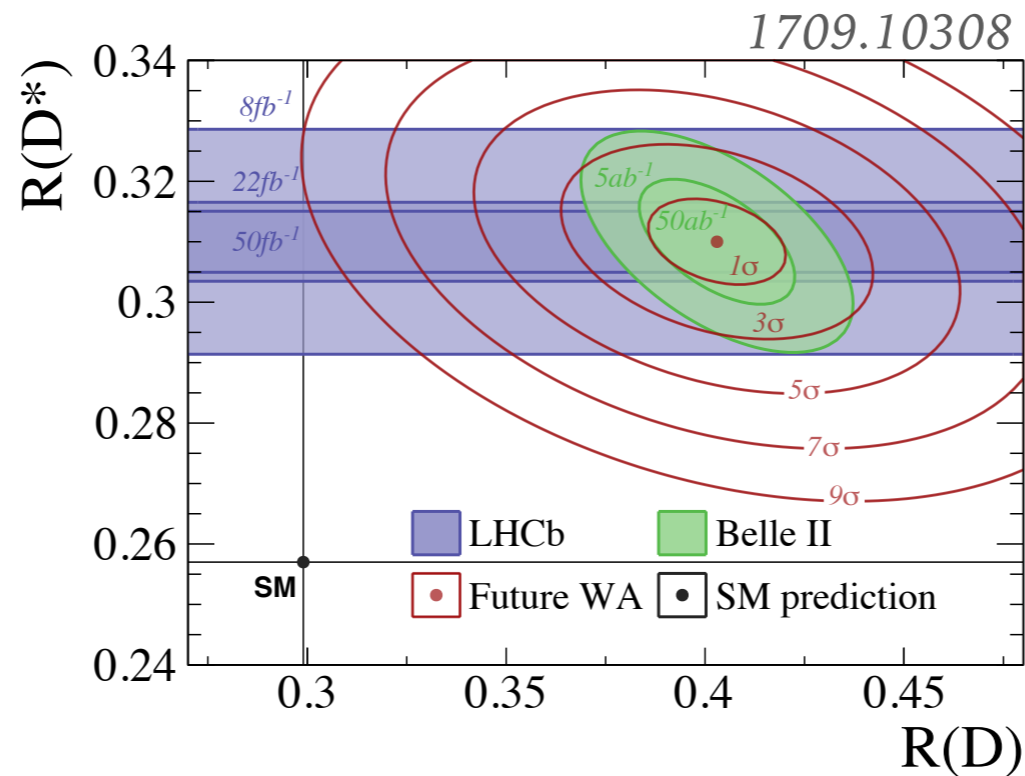
- Probe of  $|V_{cb}|$  (if hadronic form factors are known/measured)

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- Current experimental status:
  - $\mu, e$ : tension in  $|V_{cb}|$  measurement between exclusive and inclusive modes
  - LFU:  $\tau$  vs  $\mu, e$ : many measurements for  $D^{(*)}$ , tensions with Standard Model predictions (also  $R(J/\psi)$ ,  $R(X_c)$ , ...)
- Form factors? Backgrounds? New physics?

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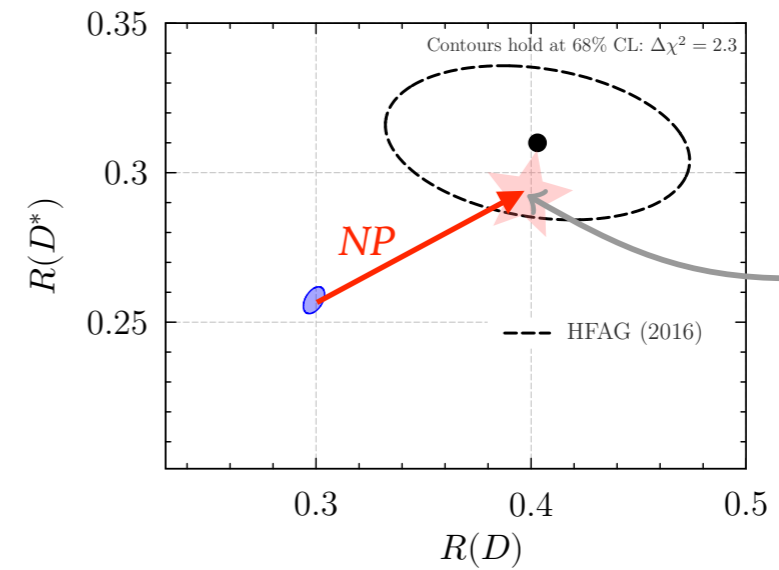


- Huge upcoming statistics: potential to test/resolve these anomalies at many  $\sigma$
- Many more modes can be studied:  $\Lambda_c^{(*)}$ ,  $D_s$ ,  $D^{**}$ , ...
- Lots of upcoming data  $\rightarrow$  10's \* lots of upcoming MC events to simulate to avoid MC statistics to be a systematic uncertainties
- Also true in  $b \rightarrow u$  sector

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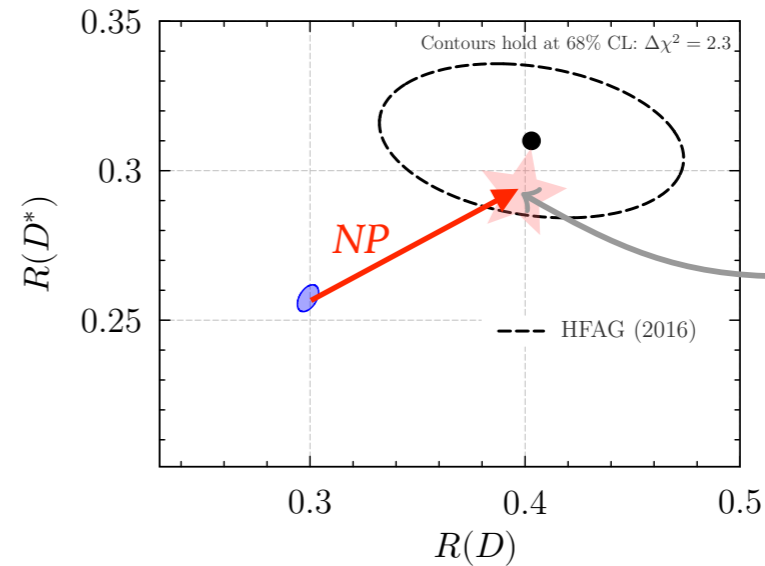
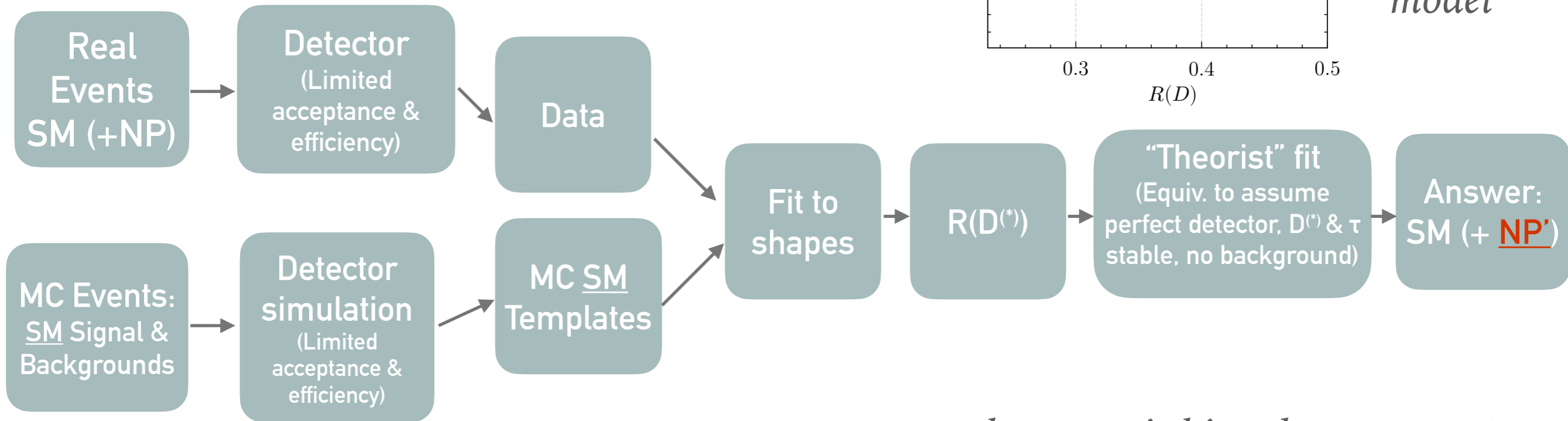
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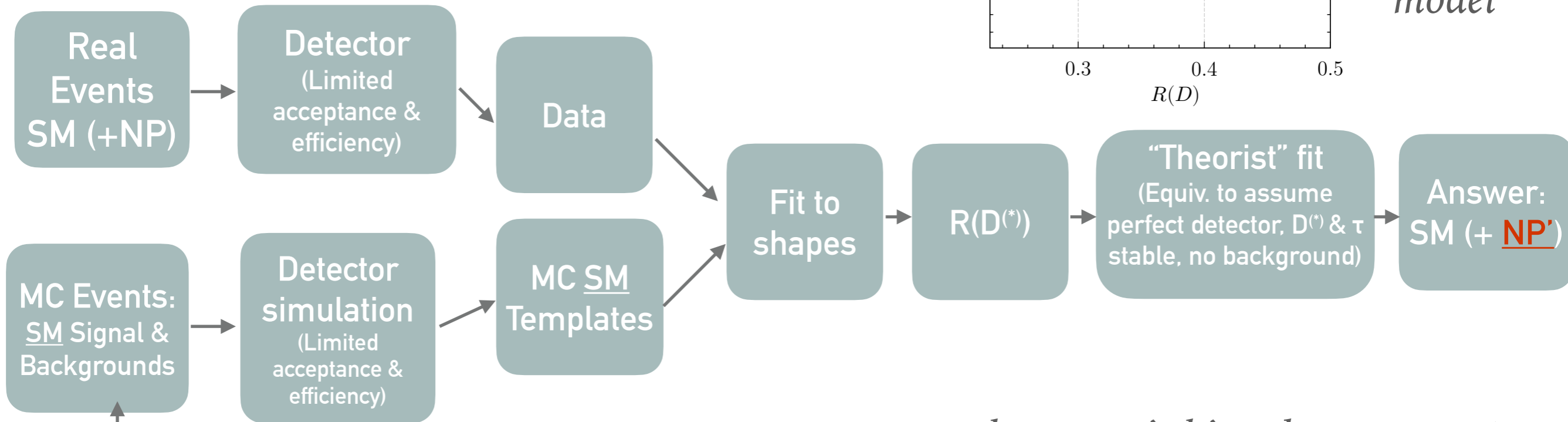


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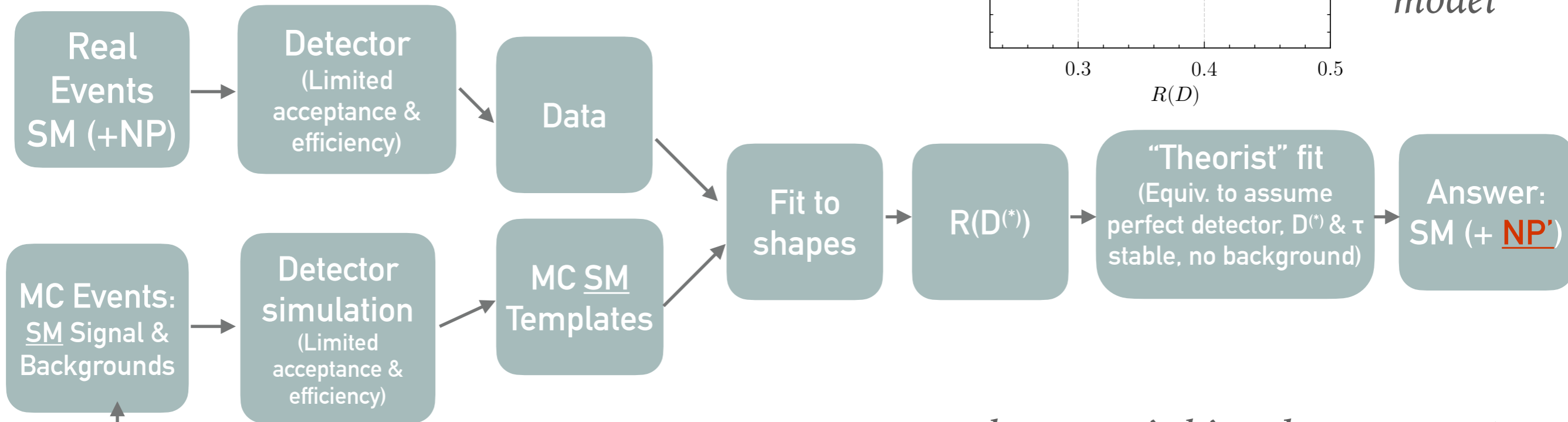
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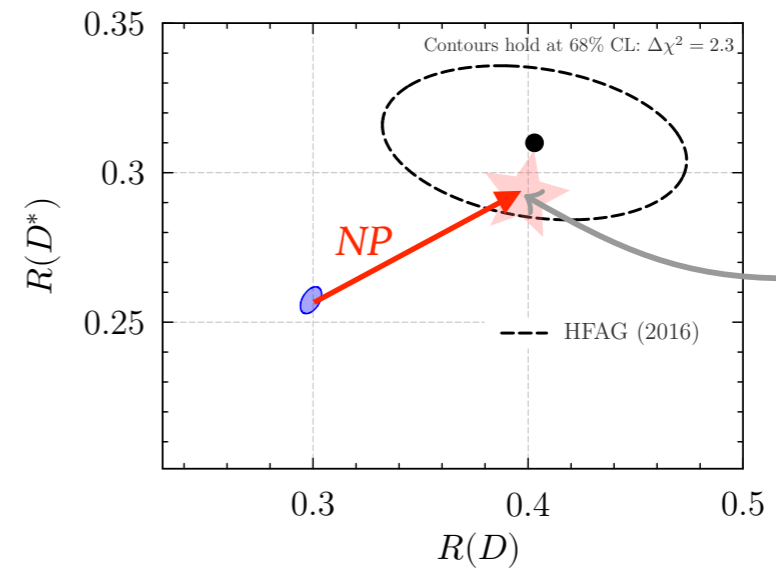
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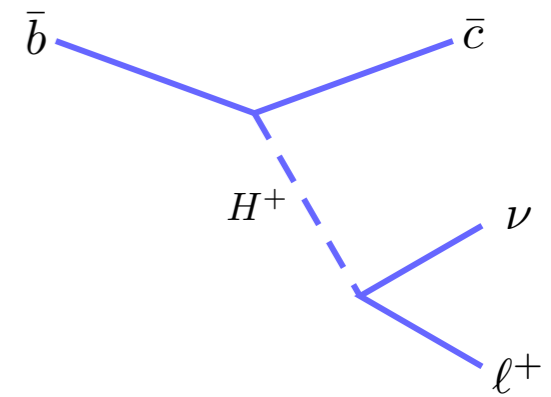
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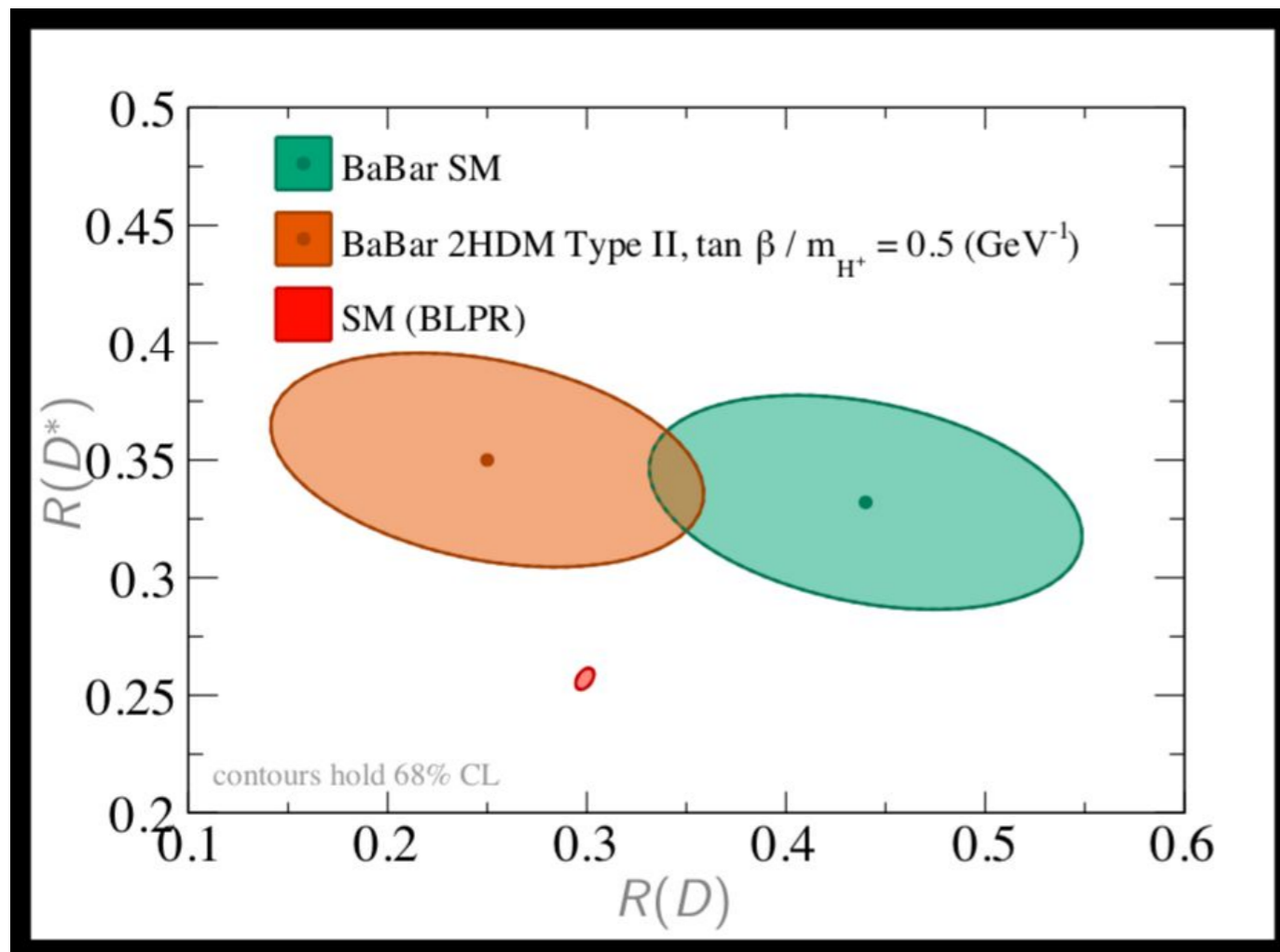
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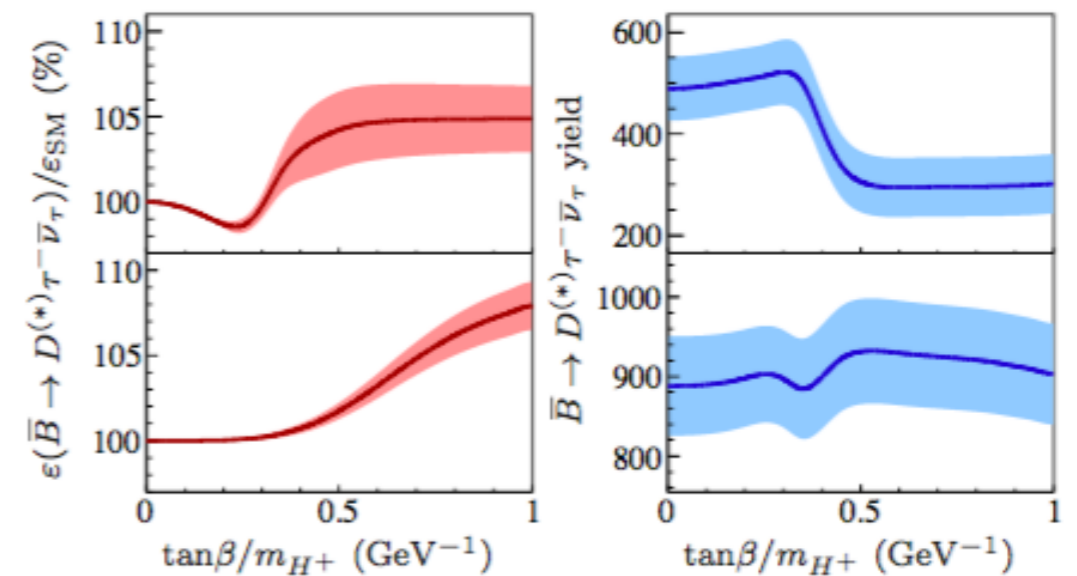
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- Existence of bias in extracting NP is nothing new
- Fitting SM+NP can change the  $R(D)$  and  $R(D^*)$  values
- Need NP acceptances to estimate NP contributions



Plot by F. Bernlochner

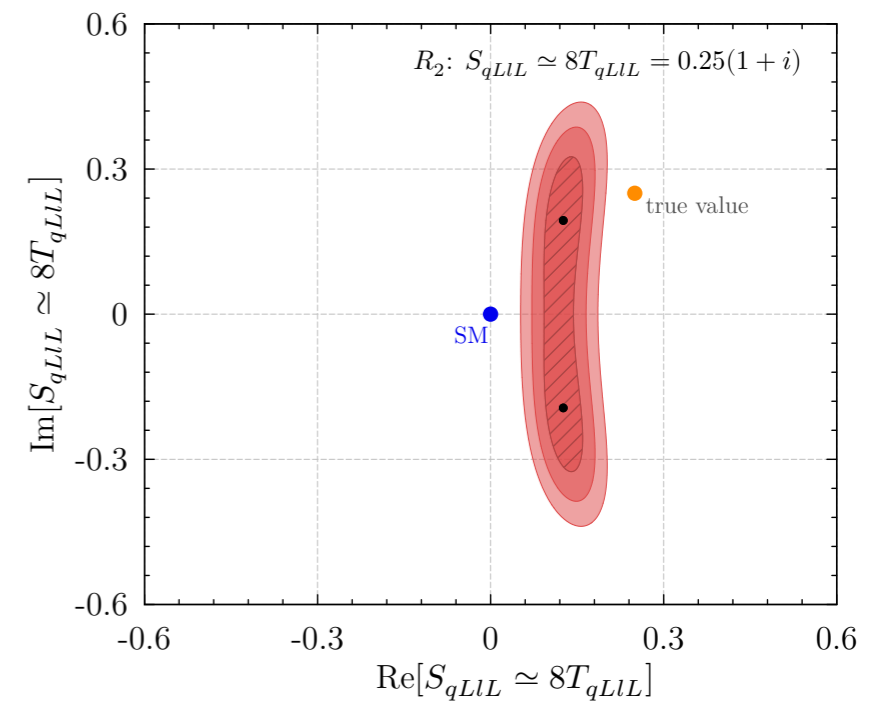
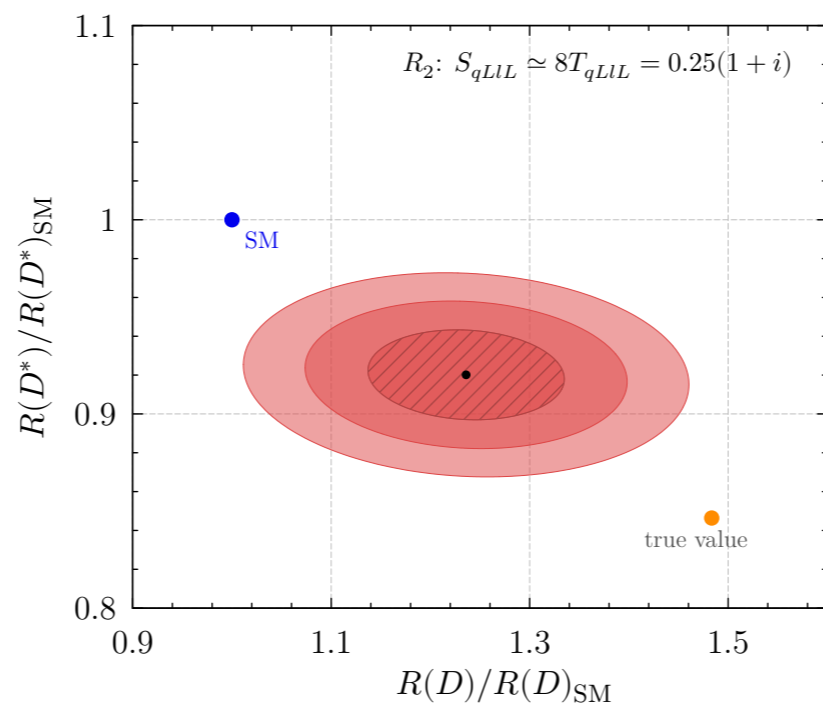
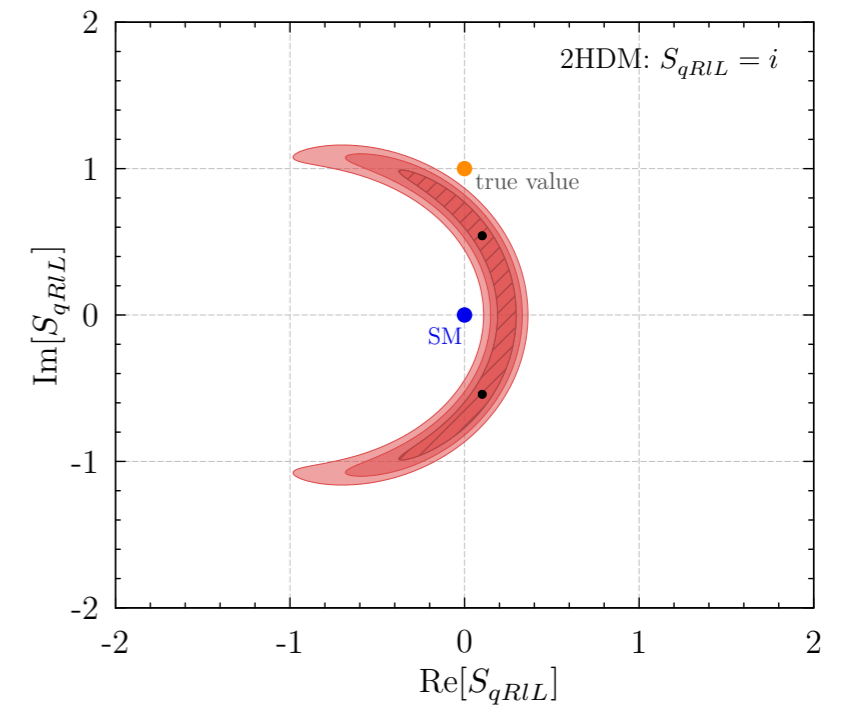
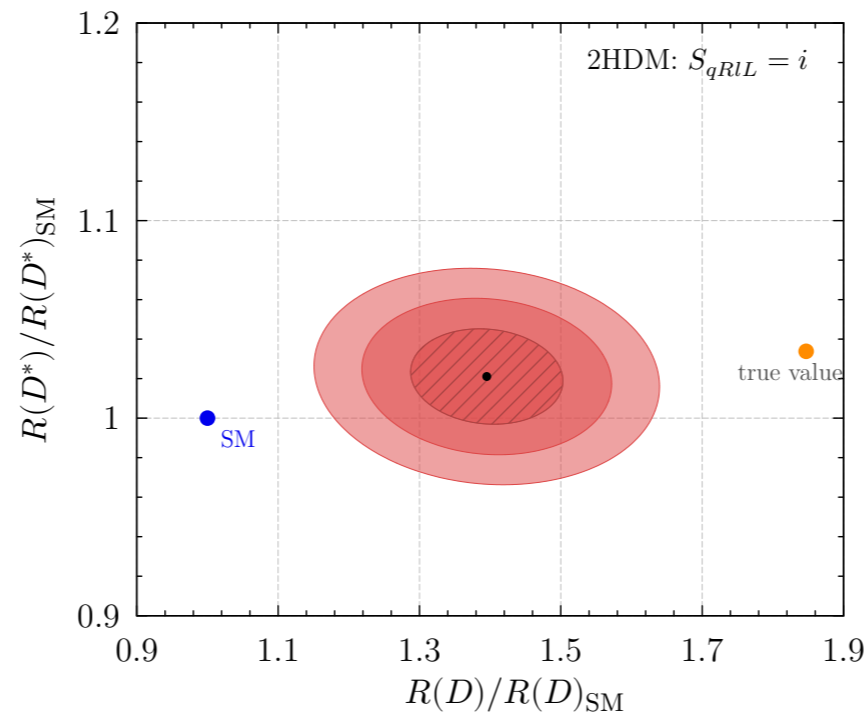


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- **Mock analysis** to study biases:
  - **Belle-like** detector response (acceptance, efficiency thresholds, smearing ...)
  - Fit binned  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$ ,  $|p_\ell|$  distributions
  - **Include** background **downfeeds** from  $D^* \rightarrow D$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow \ell$
  - Data scaled to 5/ab
  - Two MC event samples with **different SM+NP assumptions**: one is “**data**”, the other “**fitting templates**”
  - **Two studies**:
    - “Measure”  $R(D)$ ,  $R(D^*)$  assuming SM template, then fit NP’ to  $R(D^{(*)})$
    - Fit directly SM+NP’ template to SM+NP data

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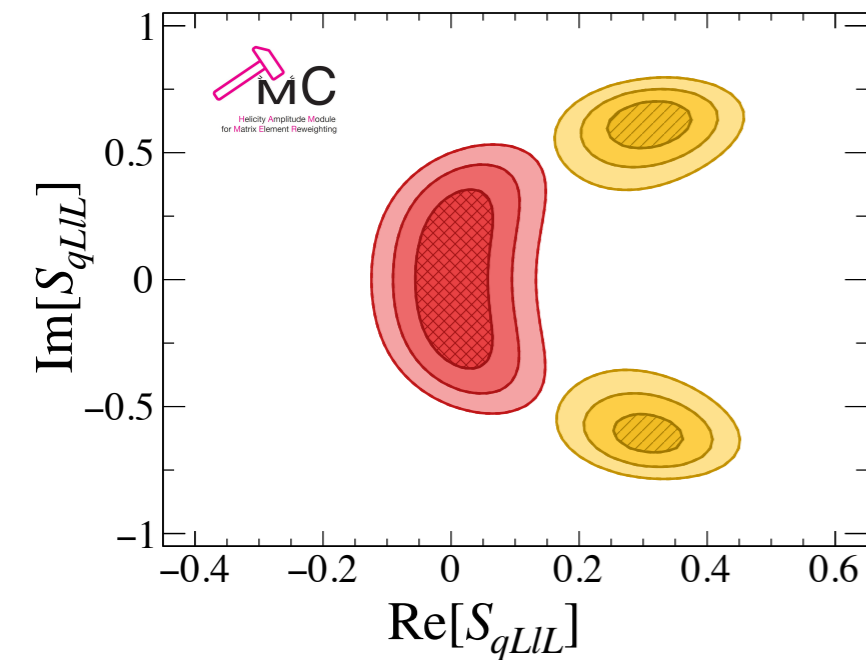
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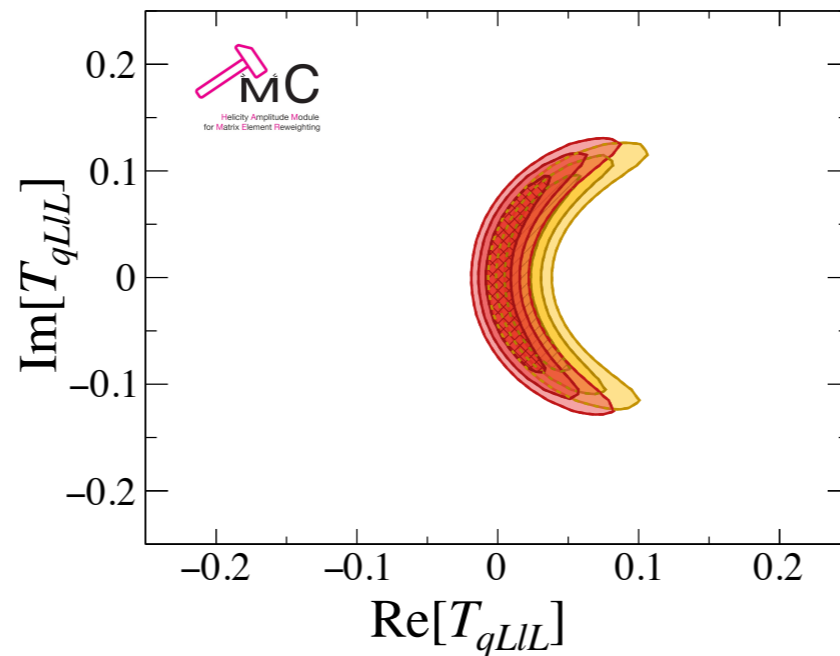
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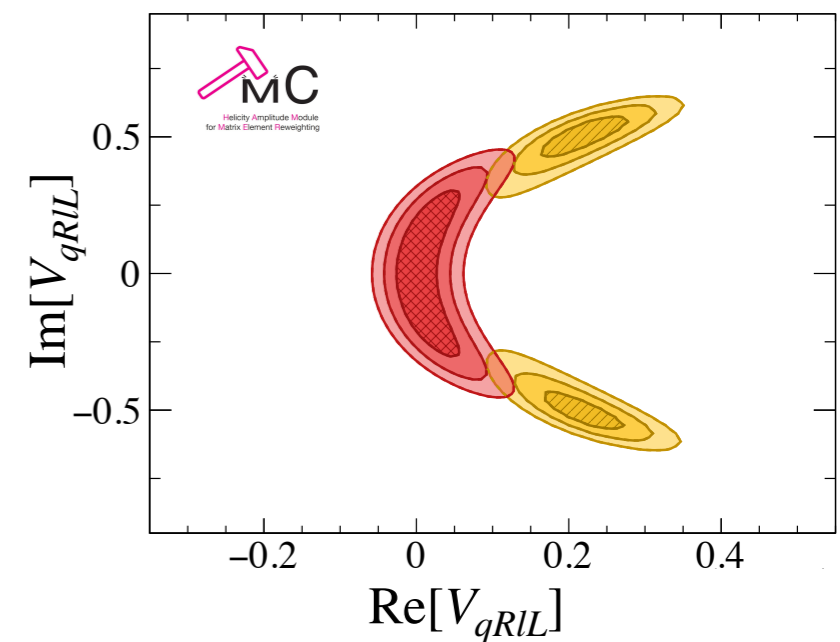
- Fit shapes directly to 3 different NP assumptions



*R2 leptoquark  $S_{qLL} = 8 T_{qLL}$*



*Pure tensor*



*Right-handed vector*

Important to use the whole NP parameter space in fit

Bias is analysis dependent (due to cuts, etc.) → different analyses will be affected differently

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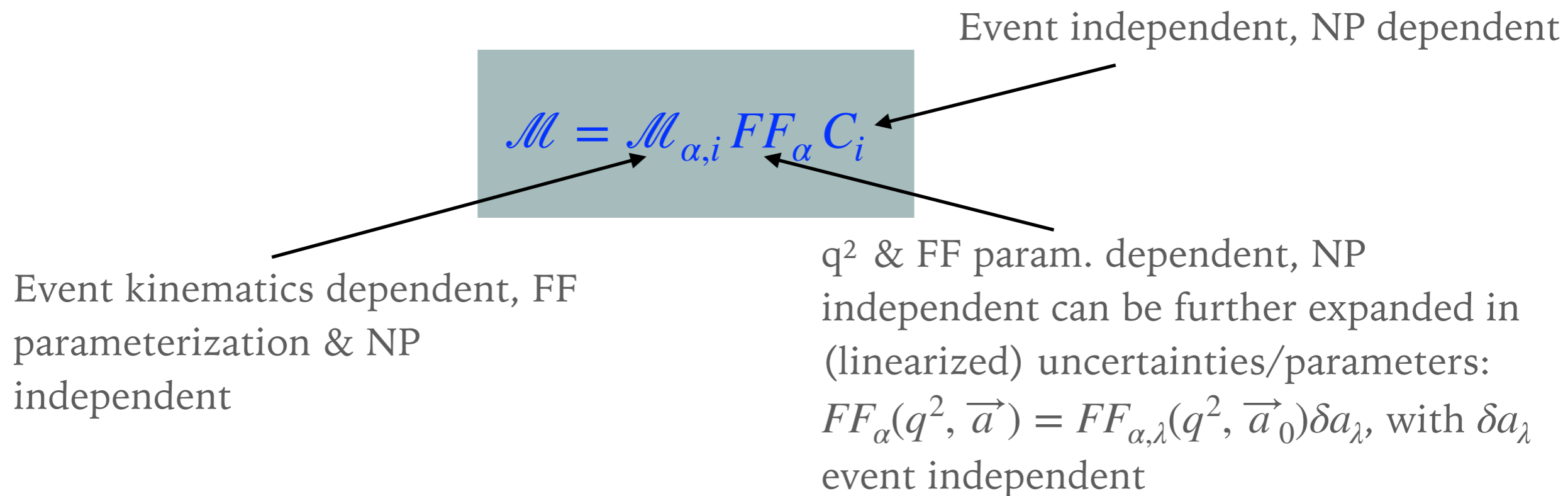
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 ( e.g. coefficients of Taylor expansions of IW functions, BGL parameters, ...)

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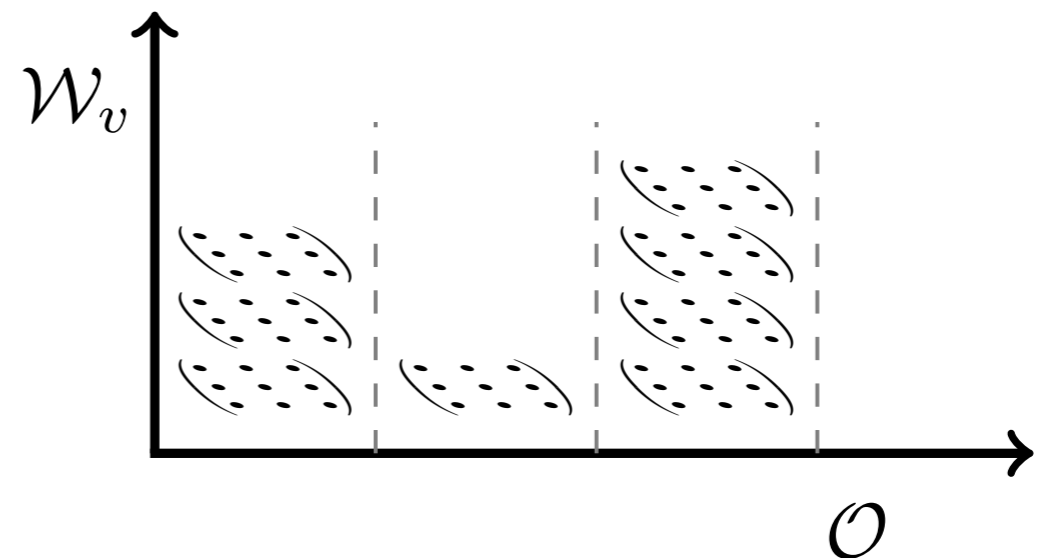
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- Event reweighing alone brings you only so far:

$$N_{\text{weights}} \sim N_{\text{events}} * (N_{\text{variations}})^D$$

*Still very large* →      ← *Weight tensorialization helps here*

- Large number of computations for **large statistics samples**
- For binned analyses further help is possible: **Tensor histograms!**
  - **Bin tensors directly** (weights and squared weights) and collapse to conventional histogram at the end when contracting with external vectors



- Trade  $N_{\text{events}} \rightarrow N_{\text{bins}}$ , space for speed

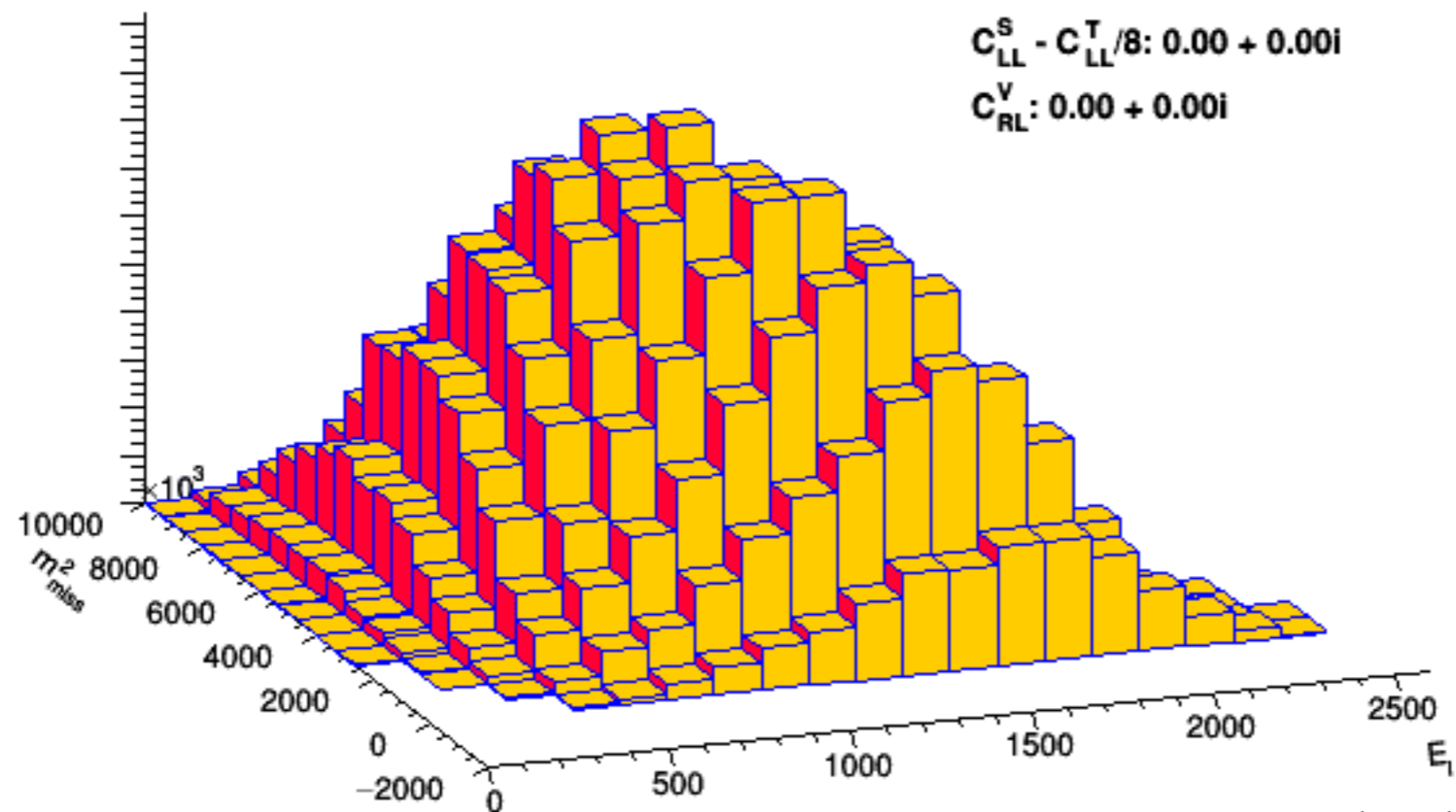
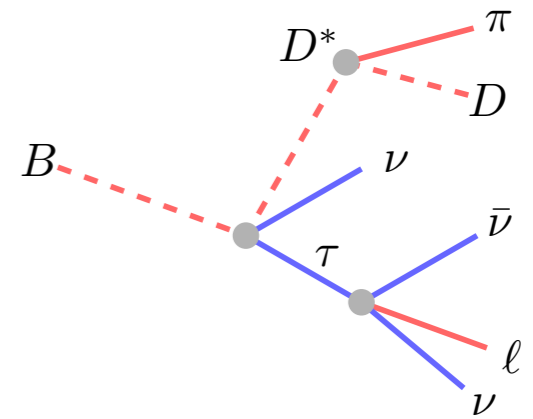
# HAMMER RUN FLOWS

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- Preprocessing:
  - Define run options, which process(es) to reweigh and which FF param. to use
  - Loop over events:
    - compute tensor weight
    - fill tensor histograms (optional)
    - save tensor event weight
  - (Optional) save histograms
  - Wrap up
- Reloading and reweighing:
  - Load preprocessed information from file(s) (possibly merging multiple runs)
  - Retrieve event (tensor) weights or histograms
  - Compute scalar weights or histograms for a given choice of WCs values and/or FF uncert' values
  - For fitting this phase can be wrapped in a function called by the fitter

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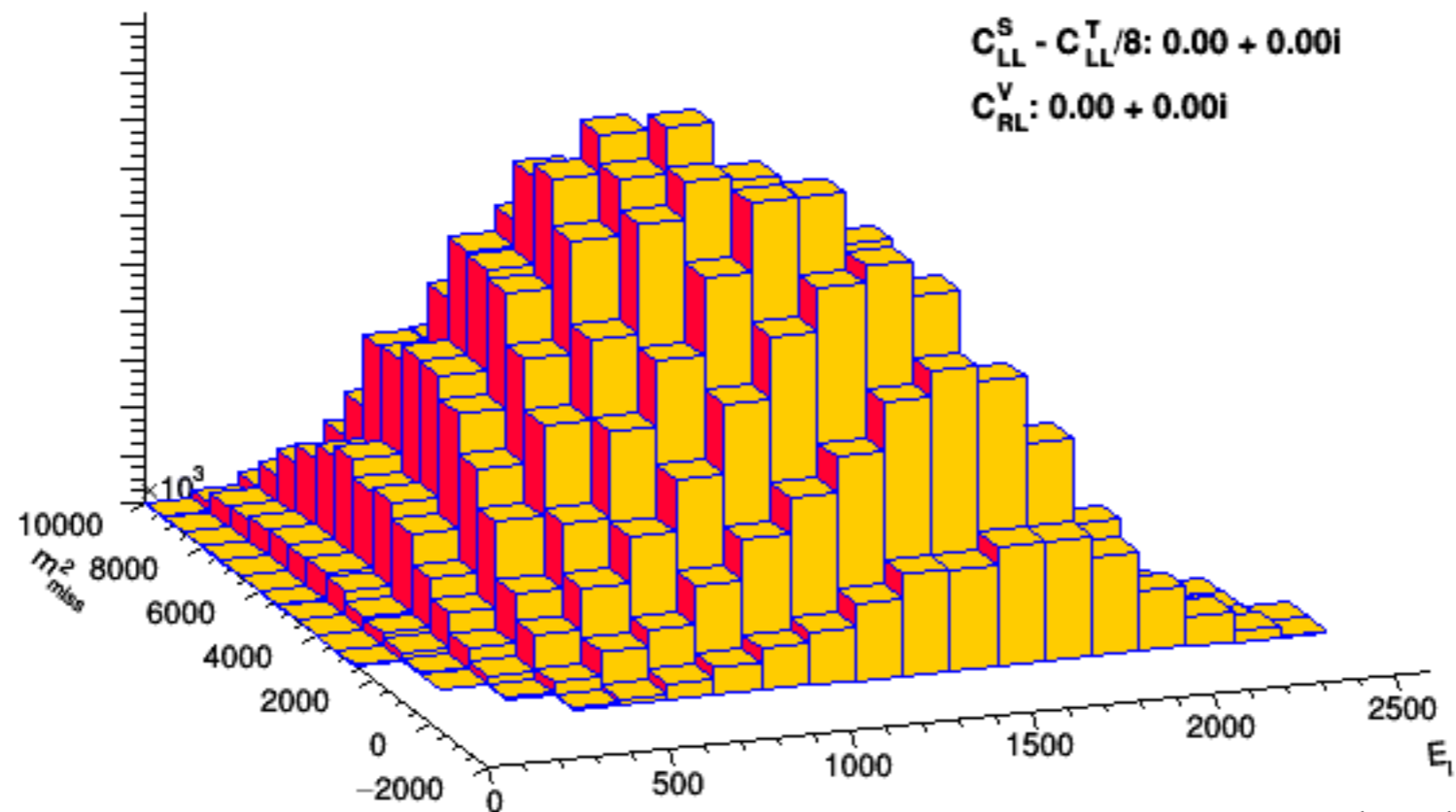
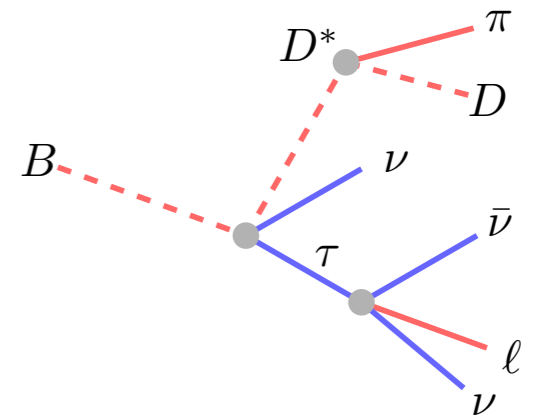


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- C++ library (w/ Python bindings)
- Input MC: truth level particle 4-momenta & decay chains (MC event file agnostic)
- Handles multiple different, simultaneous FF parameterization choices w
- Tensorial histogramming (can be eval to ROOT histograms for  $D \leq 3$ )
- Storage of per-event information or tensorial histograms. Data storage agnostic format that can be saved in ROOT TTree
- Abstracted tensor storage representation & algorithms: can be tuned for speed and space
- Multithreading-friendly tensor weights/histograms evaluation (for parallel fitting)
- Can reweigh events after PHOTOS radiative corr.
- Many “quality of life” running options & switches
- Active development (v1.2 went public in Oct 2021)

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## ► Available Amplitudes & Form Factor parameterizations:

Process	FF parameterizations
$B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\ell\nu$	ISGW2* [16, 17], BGL* [13–15], CLN* <sup>†</sup> [18], BLPR <sup>‡</sup> [19]
$B \rightarrow (D^* \rightarrow D\pi)\ell\nu$	ISGW2*, BGL* <sup>†</sup> , CLN* <sup>†</sup> , BLPR <sup>‡</sup>
$B \rightarrow (D^* \rightarrow D\gamma)\ell\nu$	ISGW2*, BGL* <sup>†</sup> , CLN* <sup>†</sup> , BLPR <sup>‡</sup>
$B \rightarrow D_0^*\ell\nu$	ISGW2*, LLSW* [20, 21], BLR <sup>‡</sup> [22, 23]
$B \rightarrow D_1^*\ell\nu$	ISGW2*, LLSW*, BLR <sup>‡</sup>
$B \rightarrow D_1\ell\nu$	ISGW2*, LLSW*, BLR <sup>‡</sup>
$B \rightarrow D_2^*\ell\nu$	ISGW2*, LLSW*, BLR <sup>‡</sup>
$B \rightarrow (\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi)\ell\nu$	ISGW2*, BSZ <sup>‡</sup> [24]
$B \rightarrow (\omega \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi)\ell\nu$	ISGW2*, BSZ <sup>‡</sup>
$\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c\ell\nu$	PCR* [25], BLRS <sup>‡</sup> [26, 27]
$\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c^*\ell\nu$	PCR*, LSPR <sup>‡</sup> [28, 29]
$B_c \rightarrow (J/\psi \rightarrow \ell\ell)\ell\nu$	Kiselev* [30], EFG* [31], BGL* <sup>†</sup> [32], ...
$B \rightarrow \pi\ell\nu$	ISGW2*, BCL* <sup>†</sup> [33], GKvD [34]
$\tau \rightarrow \pi\nu$	—
$\tau \rightarrow \ell\nu\nu$	—
$\tau \rightarrow 3\pi\nu$	RCT* [35–37]
$D_1 \rightarrow (D^* \rightarrow D\pi/\gamma)\pi$	PW
$D_2^* \rightarrow (D^* \rightarrow D\pi/\gamma)\pi$	PW
$D_2^* \rightarrow D\pi$	PW

$$\ell = e, \mu, \tau,$$

$$B = B^0, B^+, B_s,$$

*Etc.*

*Other processes / FFs can be added upon request*

# HAMMER RESOURCES

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- Various [code examples](#) in C++ & Python on how to use HAMMER in different situation cases
  - interface it with [HepMC](#)
  - interface it with [ROOT](#) for TTree saving loading data and TH\*D output of evaluated tensor histograms
- [RooHammerModel](#): interface to [HistFactory](#) publicly available 2007.12605 by J.Garcia Pardiñas, S. Meloni, L. Grillo, P. Owen, M.Calvi, N. Serra, (+ kudos for their patience as early adopters/beta testers!)
- [HAMMER manual](#)
- [Email us](#)

# FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

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- Short term:
  - New amplitudes:  $\tau \rightarrow 4\pi\nu, \tau \rightarrow (\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi)\nu, B_{(c)} \rightarrow \ell\nu$
  - New form factor parameterizations: **BLPR-XP** for  $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}$  (adds  $\alpha_s/M_{b,c}, 1/M_c^2, 1/M_b M_c$ , with a new self-consistent truncation of  $1/M^2$  terms to a manageable number for fitting current data)
  - **Additional** processes & form factors **requested** by **users**
- Further into the future:
  - Speed/space **optimizations** if/when needed
  - **Alternative** treatment of **radiative photons beyond PHOTOS** (caveat: new SD functions that need to be constrained, see e.g. 2110.13154)



# CONCLUSIONS

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- **HAMMER** can help analyses in **semileptonic B decays**
  - Scan over FF parameterizations (and parameters) for **measuring hadronic matrix elements**
  - **Constrain/fit new physics** Wilson coefficients efficiently (multi-dim fit)
- **Tensorial weights / tensor histograms** engine allows working with large MC event samples (and may have applications **beyond semileptonic B decays**)
- New processes/form factors can be added upon request

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