

What's new at LHCb?

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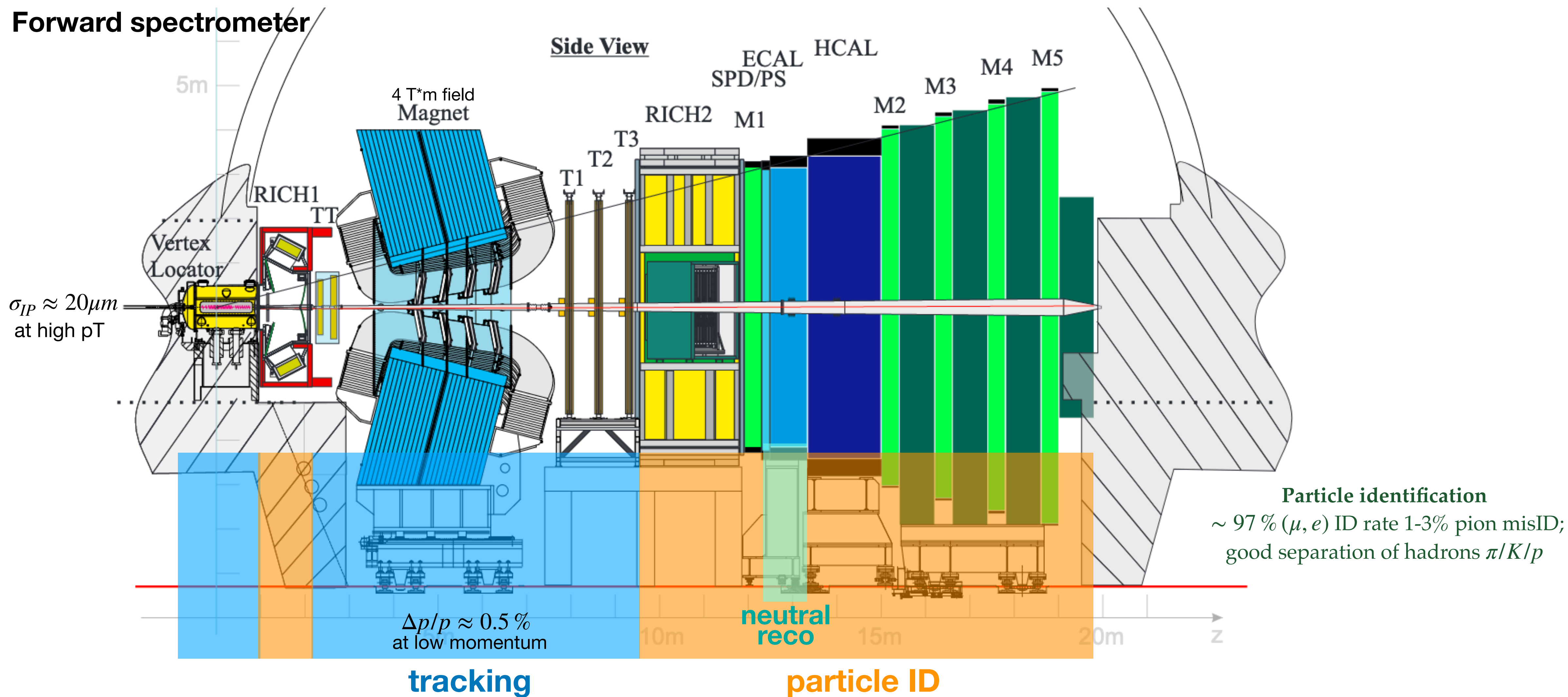
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Forward spectrometer



► Collected about 9 fb^{-1} integrated luminosity at 7-8-13 TeV pp collisions with $>90\%$ data-taking efficiency

► instantaneous luminosity $\sim 3 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

► shorter runs in other conditions (pPb, PbPb, p-gas fixed-target, etc)

Produce all types of b hadrons:

➤ Weakly-decaying

- B^+, B^0 : 35% each
- B_s^0 : 8.5%
- Λ_b^0 (udb): 18%
- Ξ_b^0, Ξ_b^- (usb, dsb): ~1.5% each
- B_c^+, Ω_b^- (ssb): ~0.3% each

➤ Bottomonia

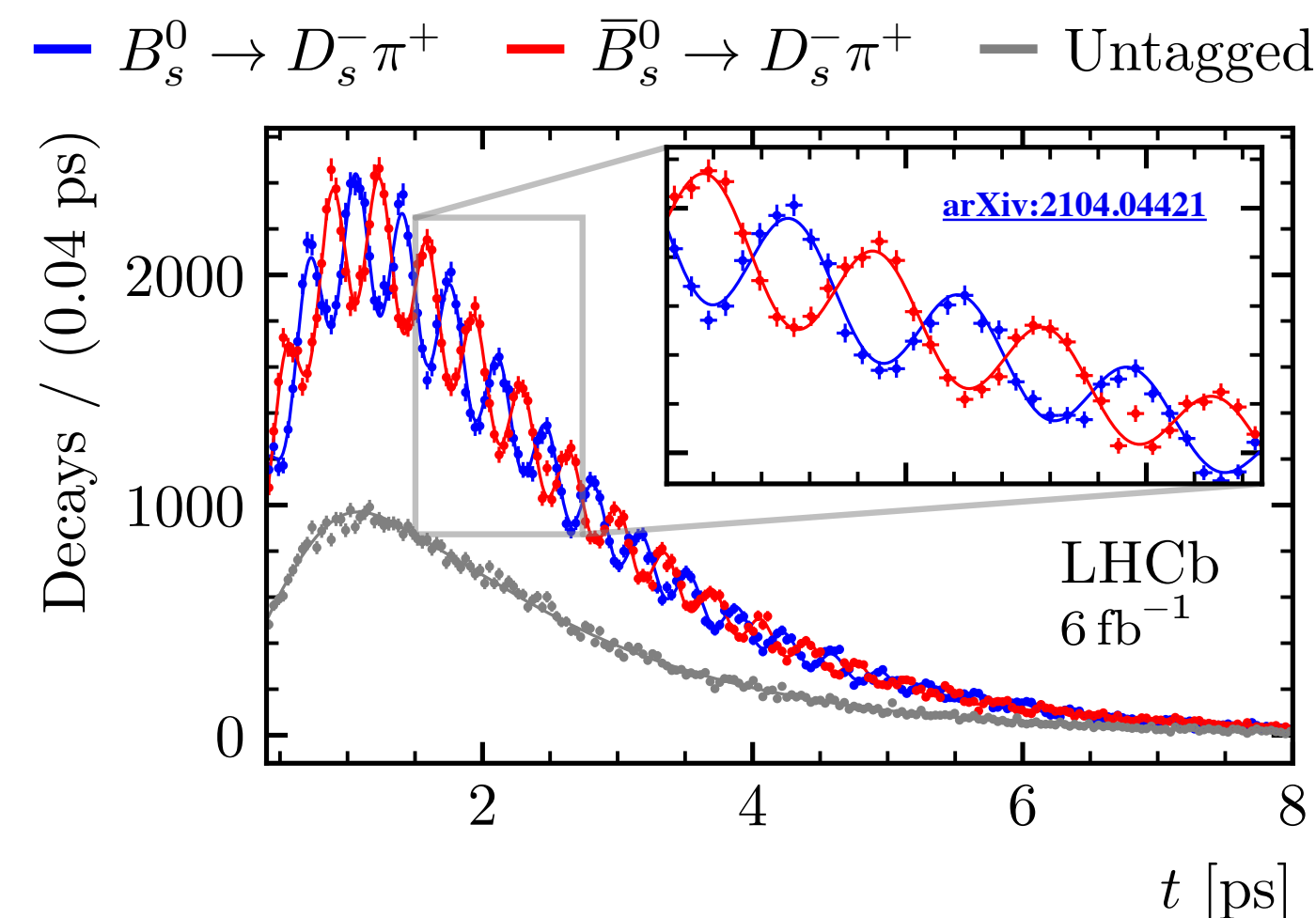
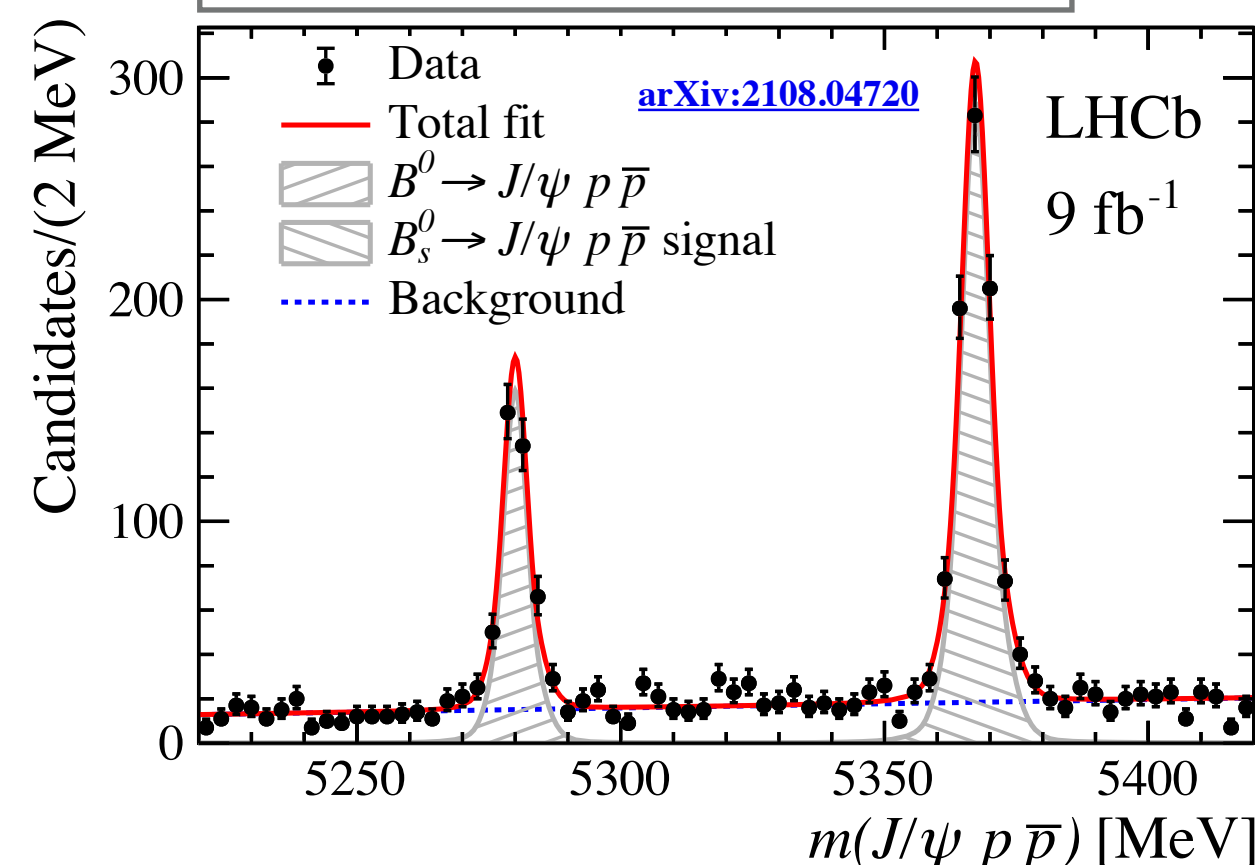
Cross-section of $b\bar{b}$ production ~150 μb

Huge cross-section of charm and strange hadrons

Large b-hadron flight distance (~mm-cm)

good time resolution
→ resolve B_s^0 oscillations

good mass resolution
→ resolve B_s^0 and B^0



➤ Compared to ATLAS/CMS: forward acceptance; dedicated soft triggers; but lower luminosity

➤ Compared to Belle II:

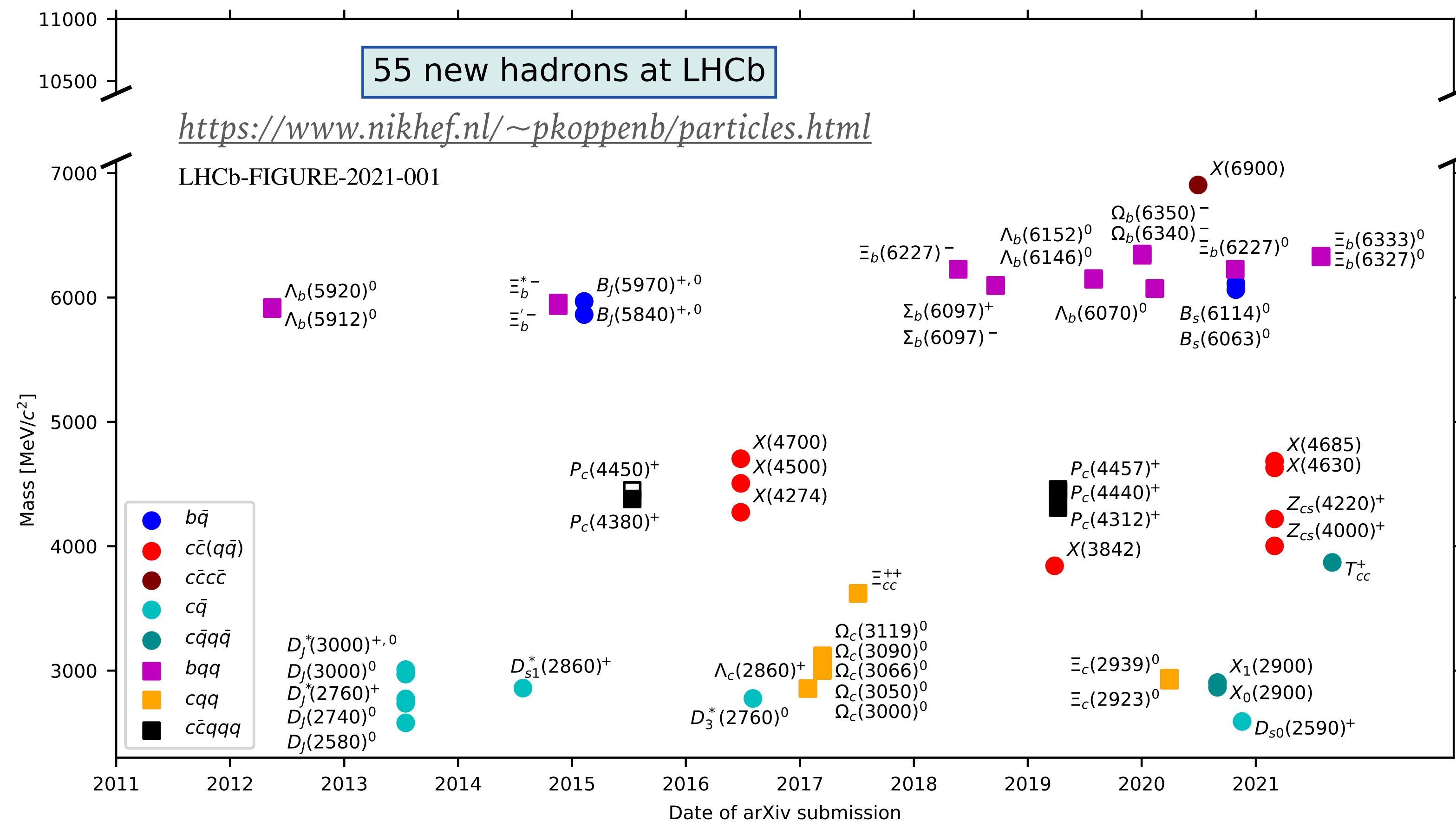
- no $B\bar{B}$ entanglement (a $b\bar{b}$ can hadronise to e.g. $B_s^0 \bar{\Lambda}_b^0$); no beam-energy-constraint
- less efficient flavour tagging
- we prefer relative measurements (BF, lifetimes) to absolute ones

We are happy to see so many complementary players in flavour physics!

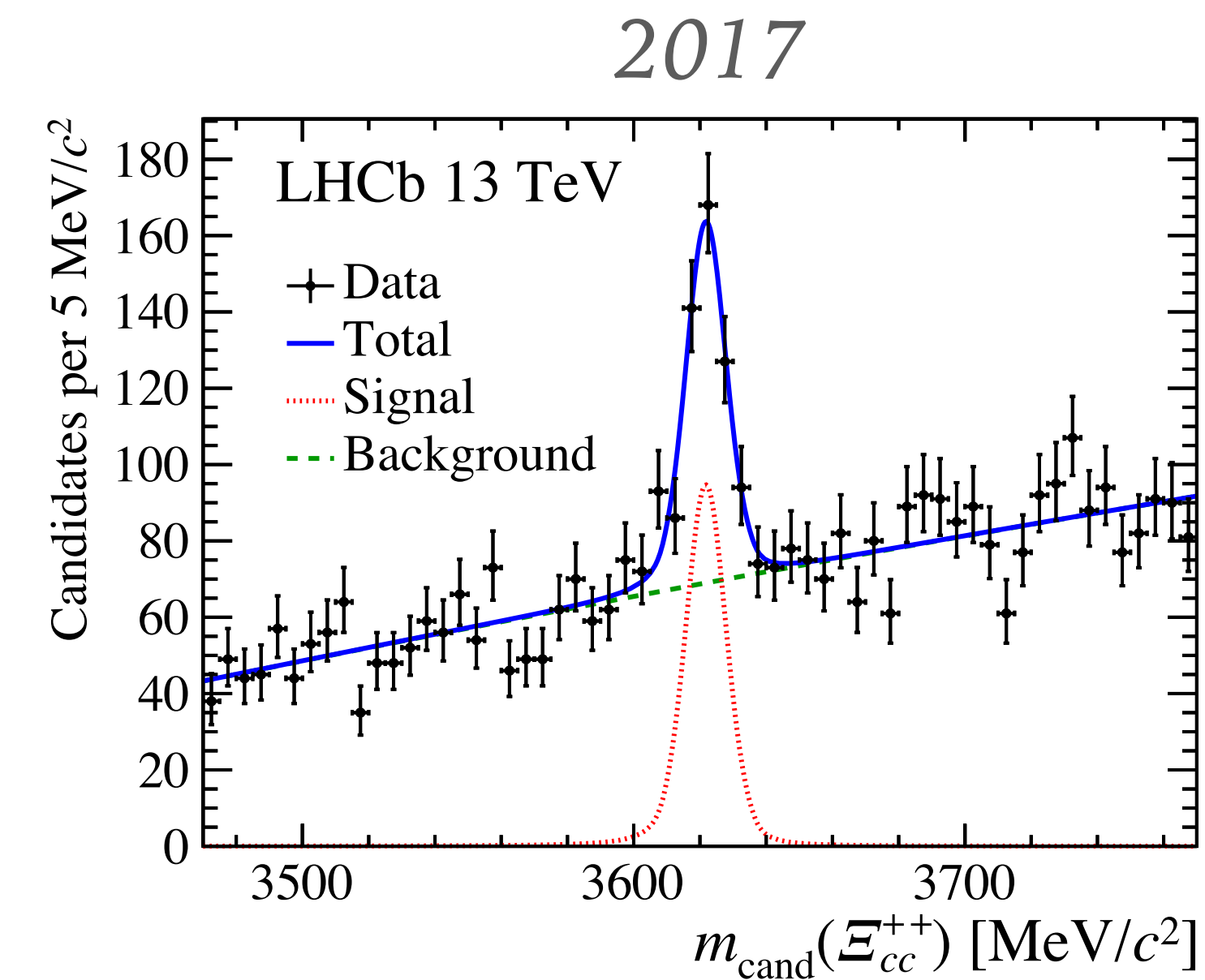
➤ See the [excellent talk](#) on Belle II vs LHCb detailed comparison by Diego Tonelli

Conventional spectroscopy:
charm/beauty baryons & mesons in ground or excited states

Exotic spectroscopy:
tetra- and pentaquark candidates

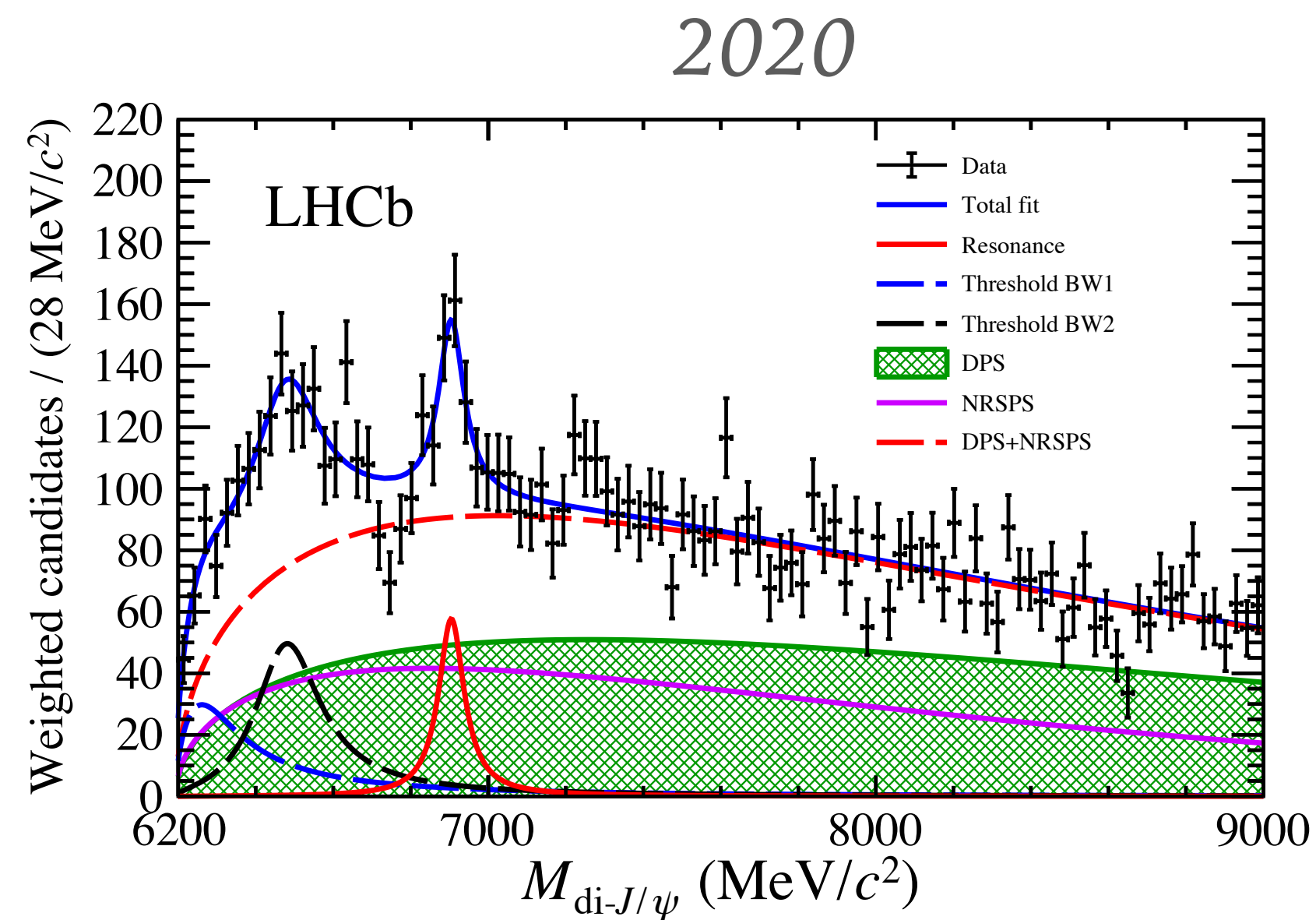


- States with two charm quarks (rather than a $c\bar{c}$ pair):

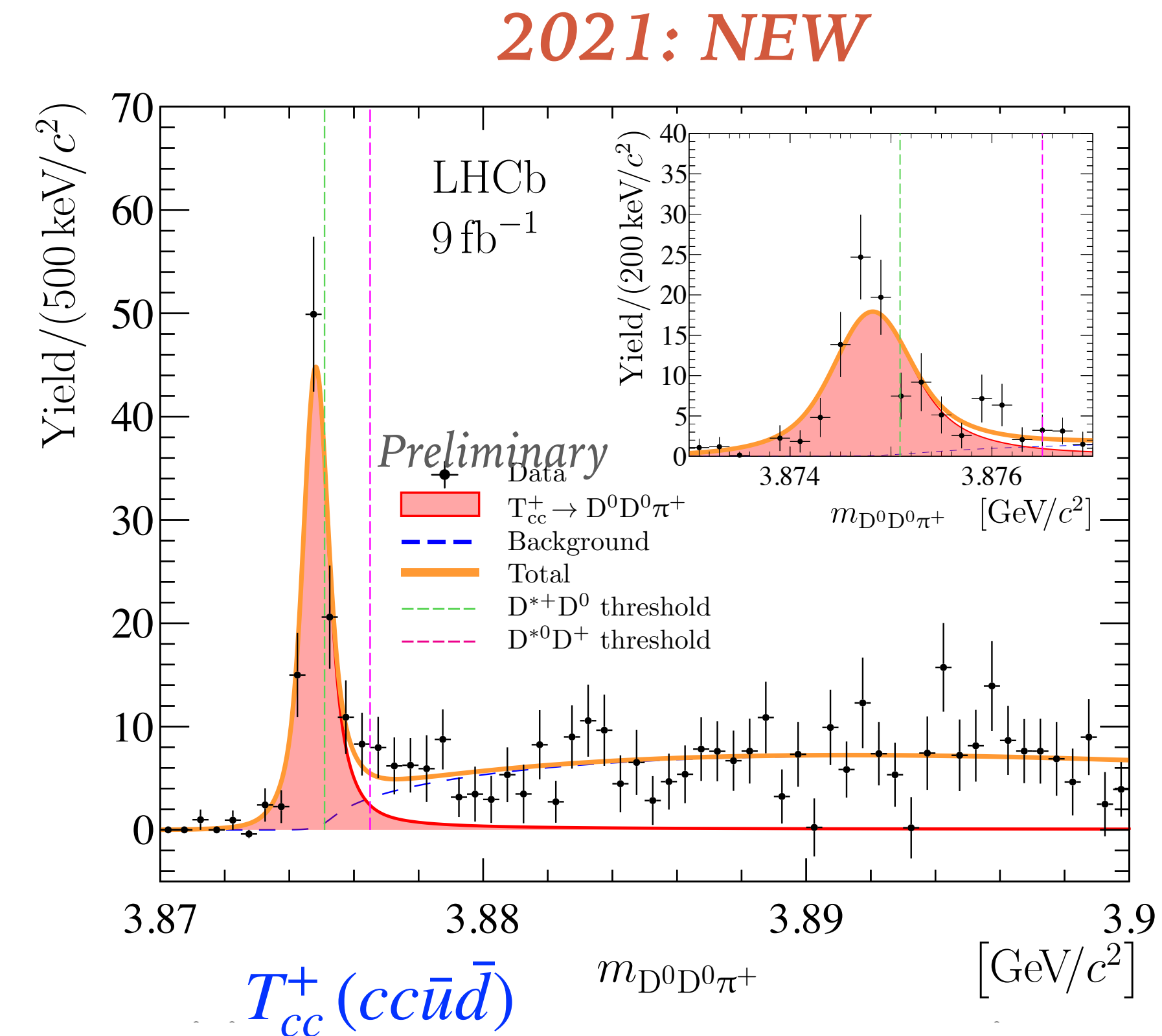


$\Xi_{cc}^{++} (ccu)$

also: searches for $\Xi_{cc}^+ (ccd)$

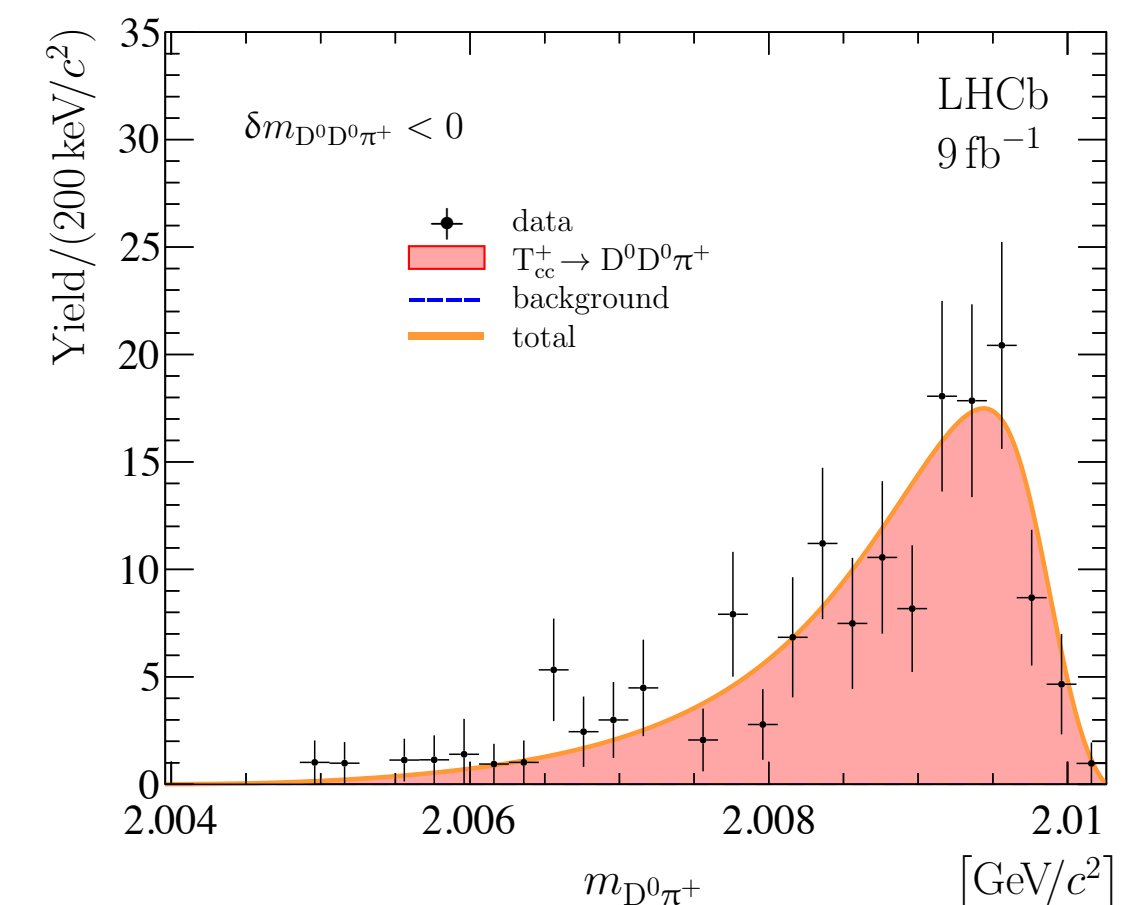


structure in $m(J/\psi J/\psi)$: $(cc\bar{c}\bar{c})$



- Observation of a narrow peak in $m(D^0 D^0 \pi^+)$ at the threshold

- manifestly exotic state: $cc\bar{u}\bar{d}$; expected isospin 0 and $J^P = 1^+$
- decays via off-shell D^{*+}



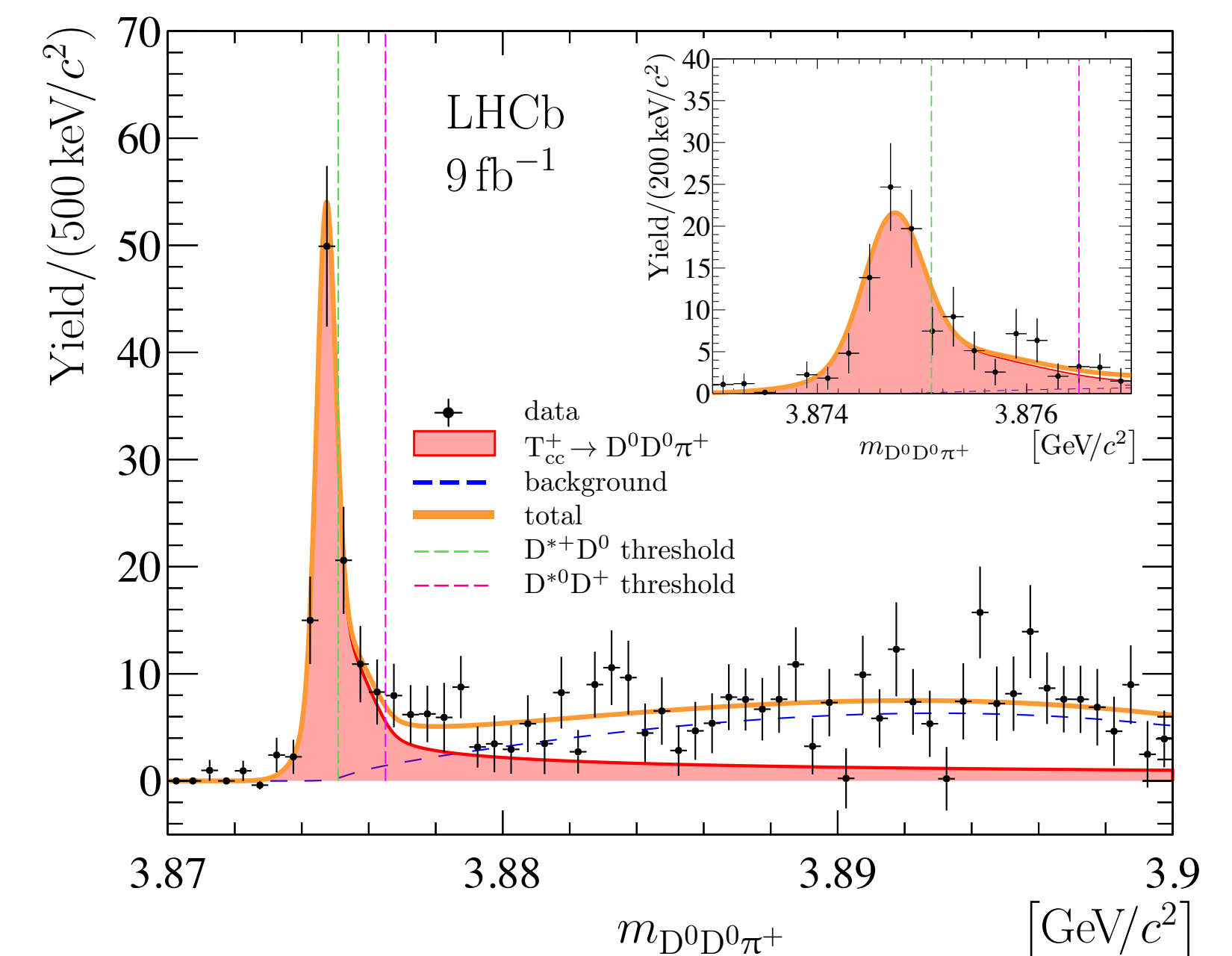
- Mass measurement: relativistic Breit-Wigner lineshape gives

$$\delta m \equiv m_{T_{cc}^+} - (m_{D^{*+}} + m_{D^0}) = -273 \pm 61(\text{stat}) \pm 5(\text{syst})_{-14}^{+11}(J^P) \text{ keV}/c^2;$$

mass $\sim 3874.8 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

- consistent with some of theoretical predictions
- width $\Gamma_{\text{BW}} = 410 \pm 165(\text{stat}) \pm 43(\text{syst})_{-38}^{+18}(J^P) \text{ keV}$
- A more physical lineshape model explored as well: take into account thresholds openings & unitarity
- A plethora of other studies: pole position, multiplicity dependence, characteristic size, etc
- This result likely **implies existence of a weakly-decaying $bb\bar{u}\bar{d}$ state** (a tetraquark flying some mm before decay?)

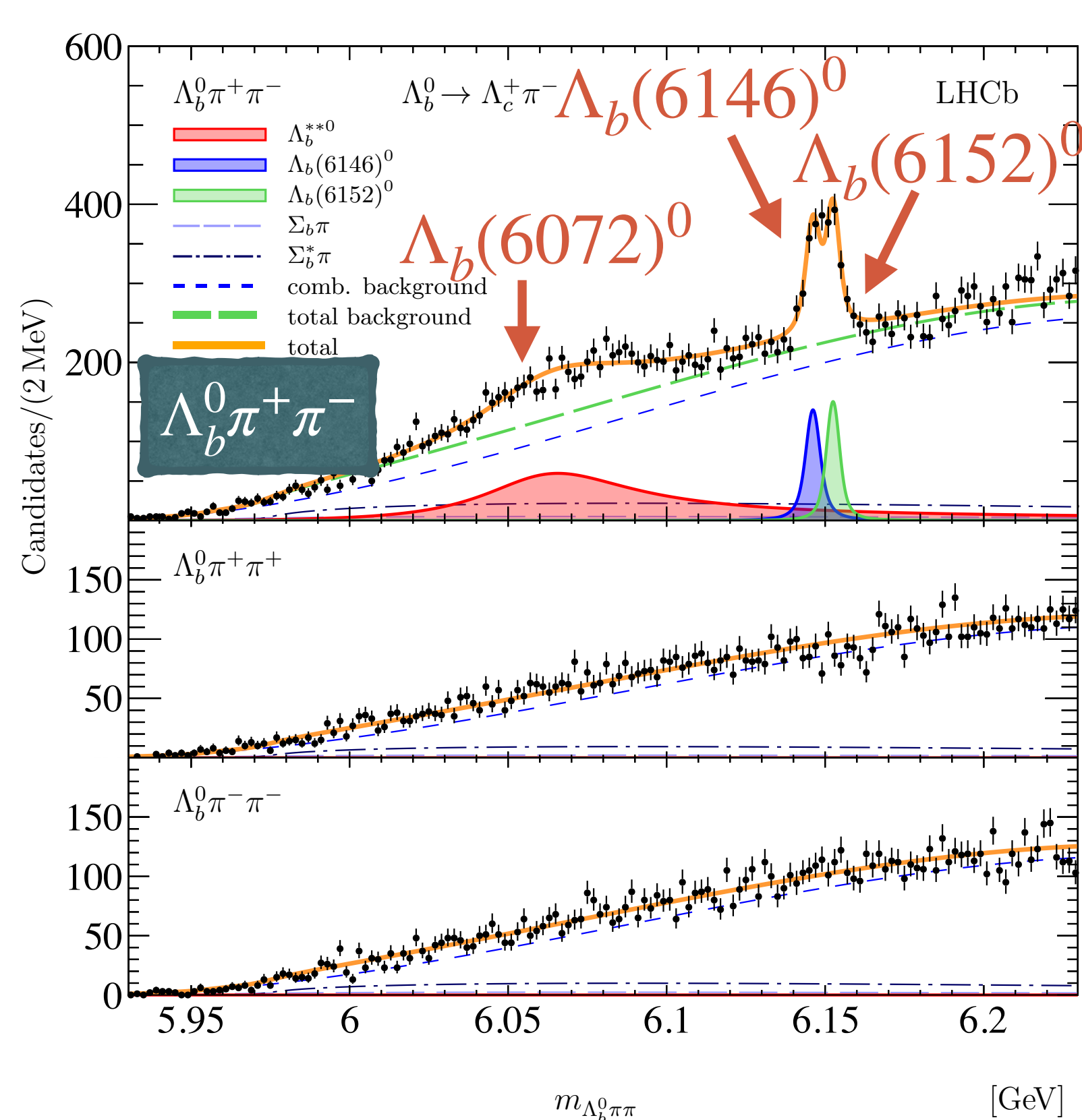
the smallest BW width of any known exotic state



EXCITED BEAUTY HADRON SPECTROSCOPY

all references here

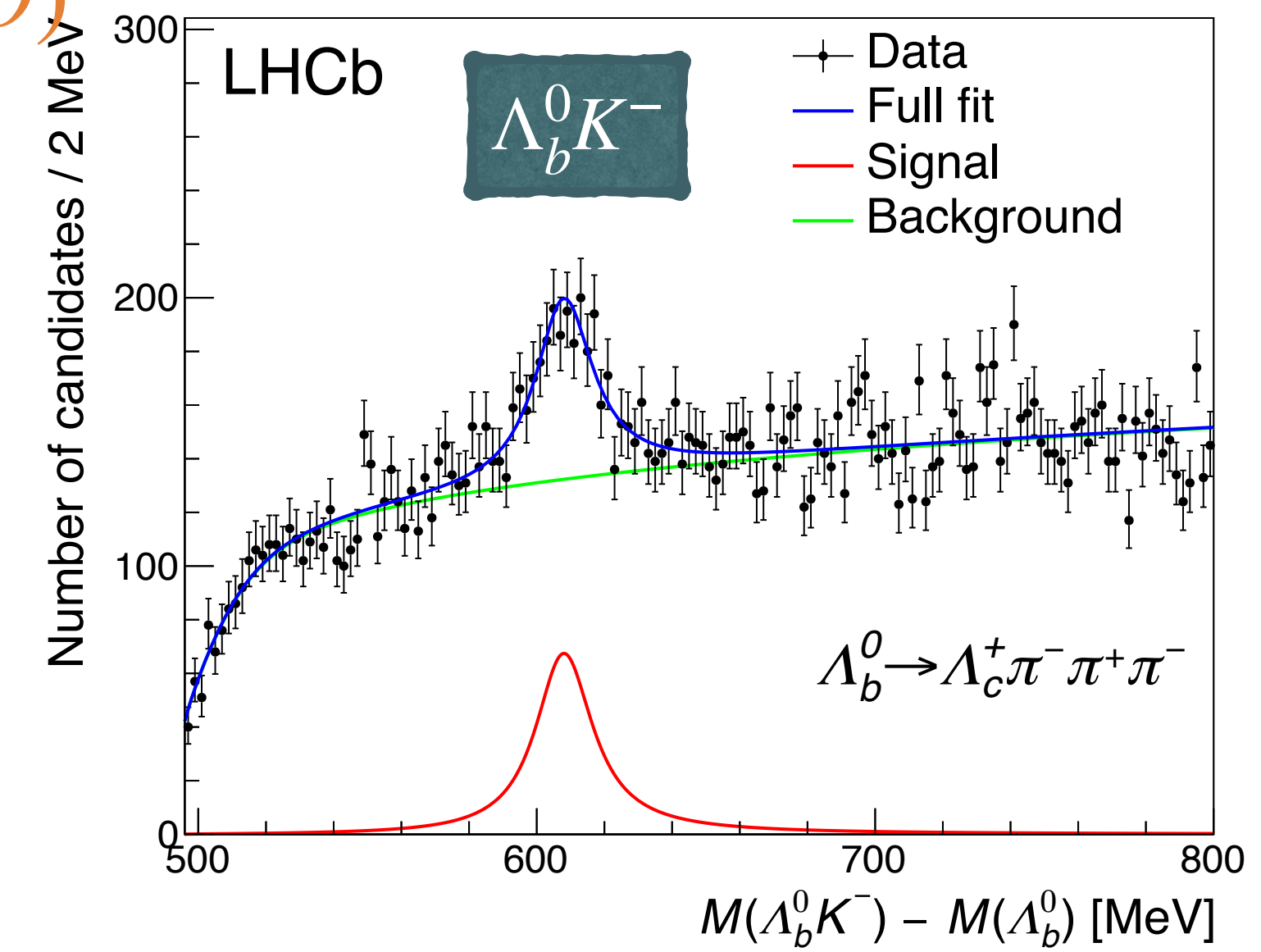
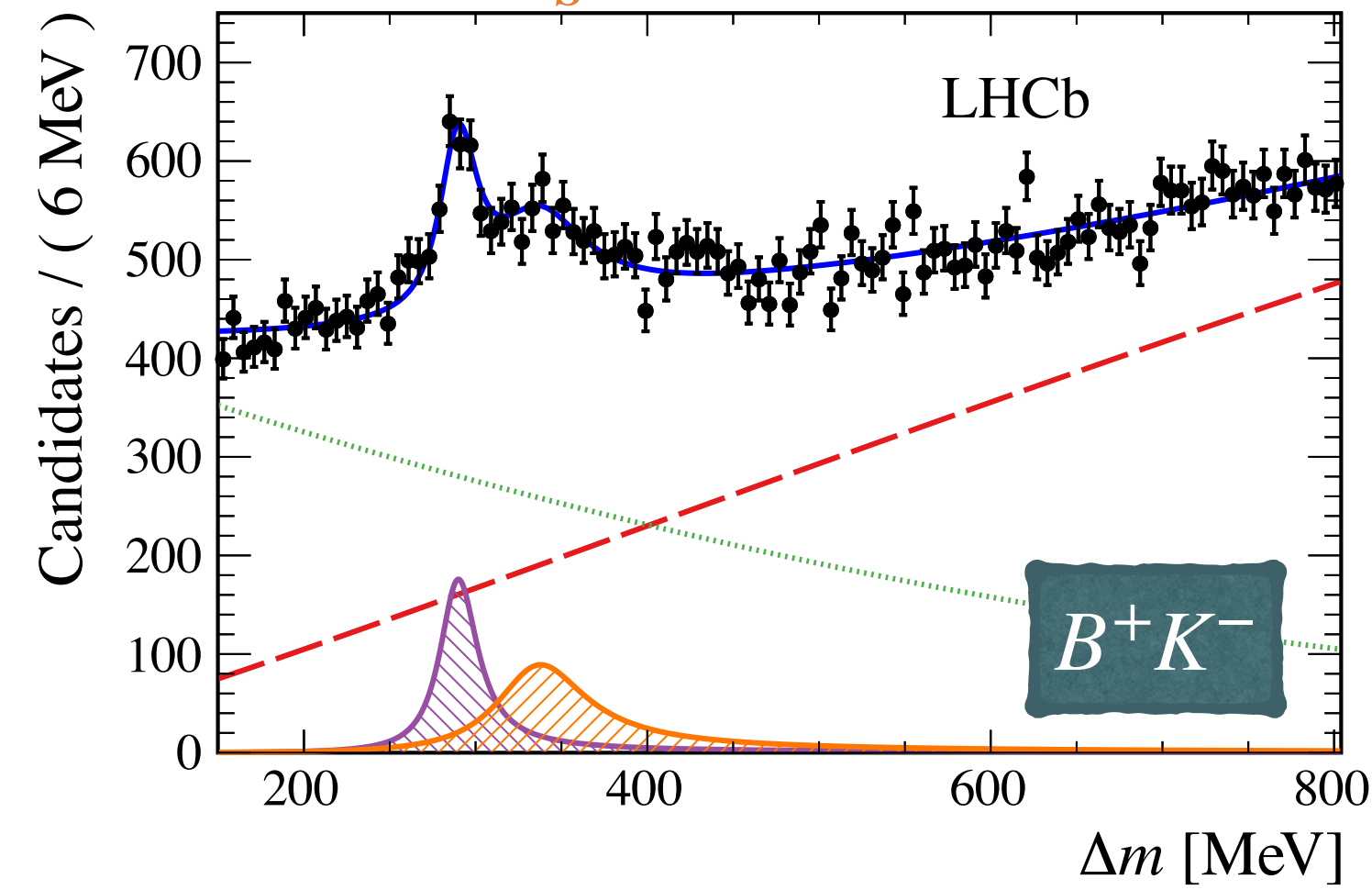
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$$\Lambda_b^0 = (udb)$$

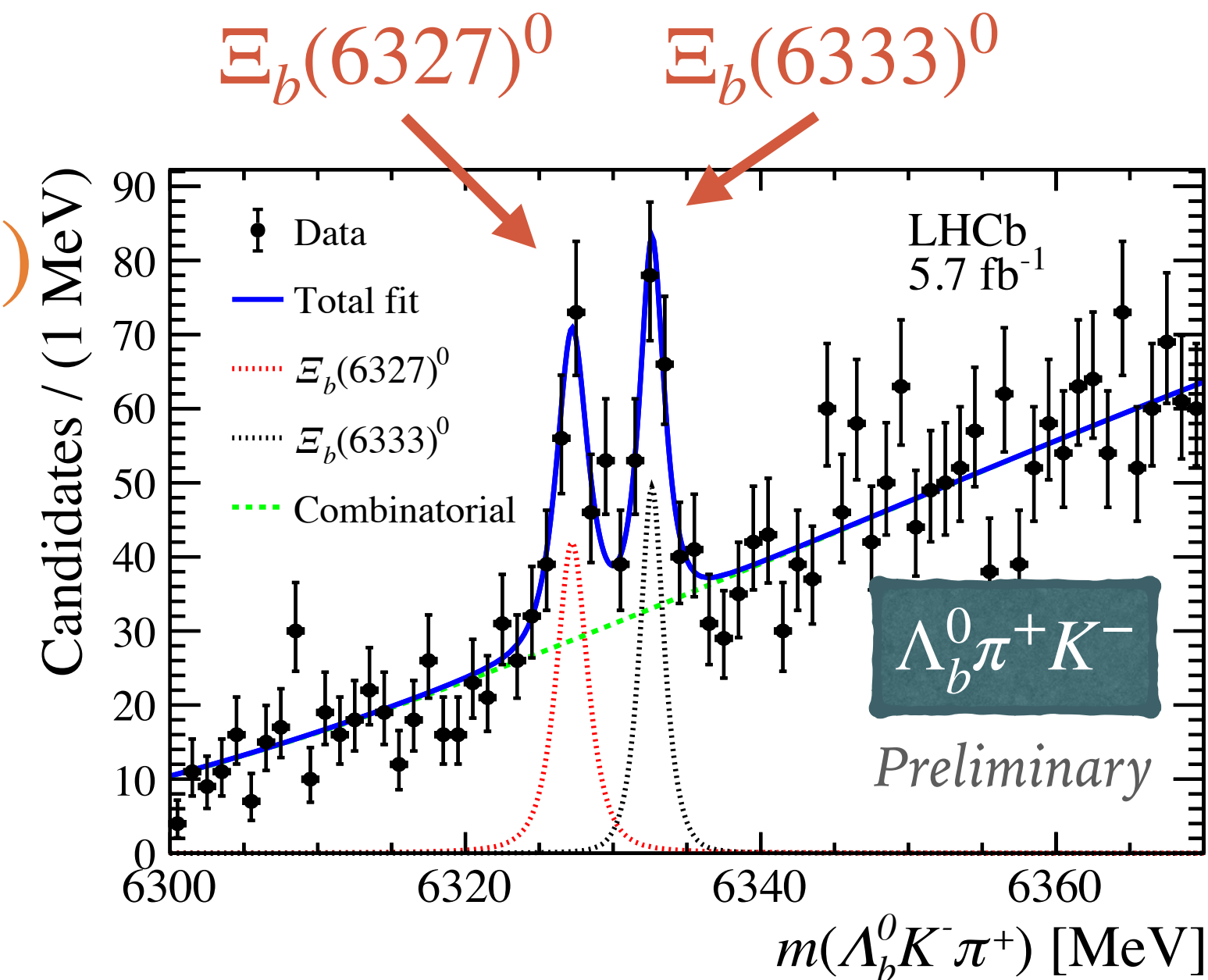
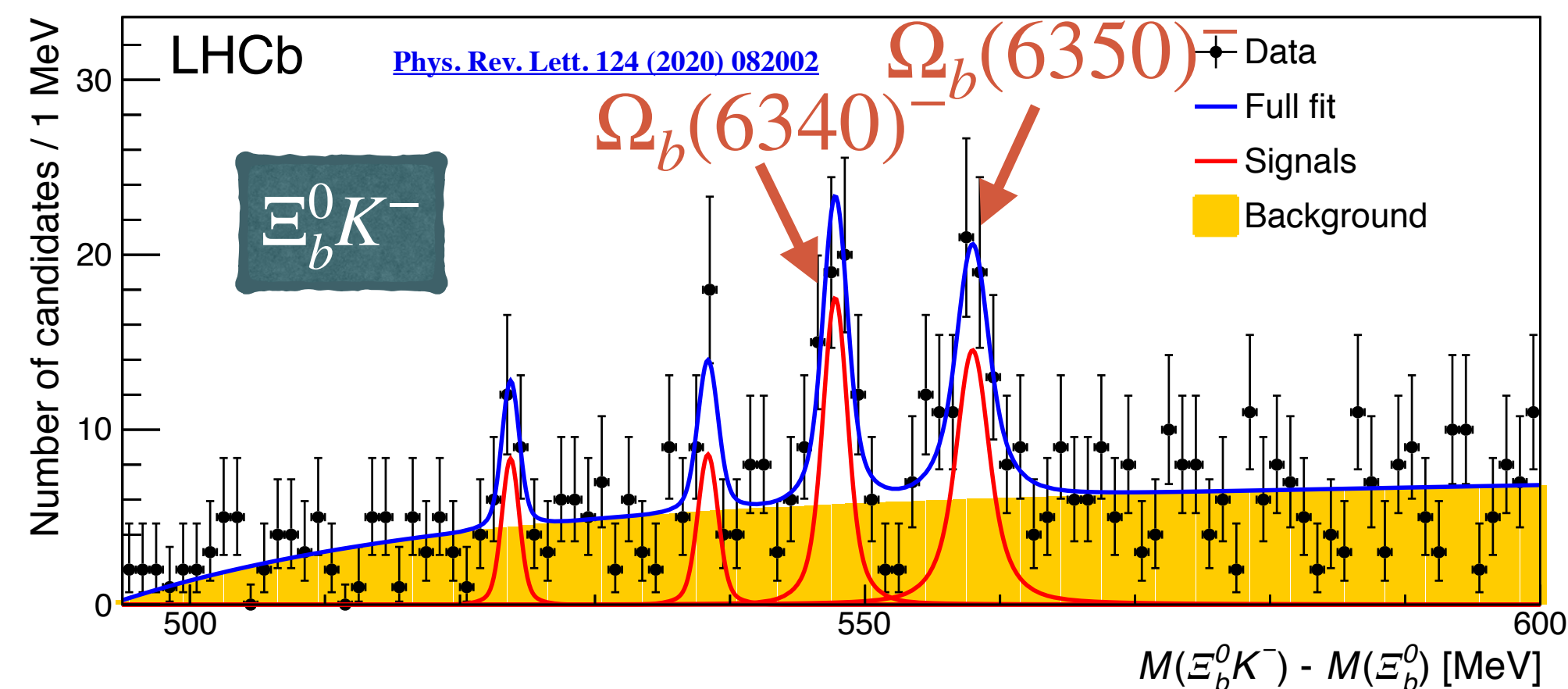
$$\Xi_b^- = (dsb)$$

$$B_s^0 = (\bar{b}s)$$



$$\Omega_b^- = (ssb)$$

$$\Xi_b^0 = (usb)$$

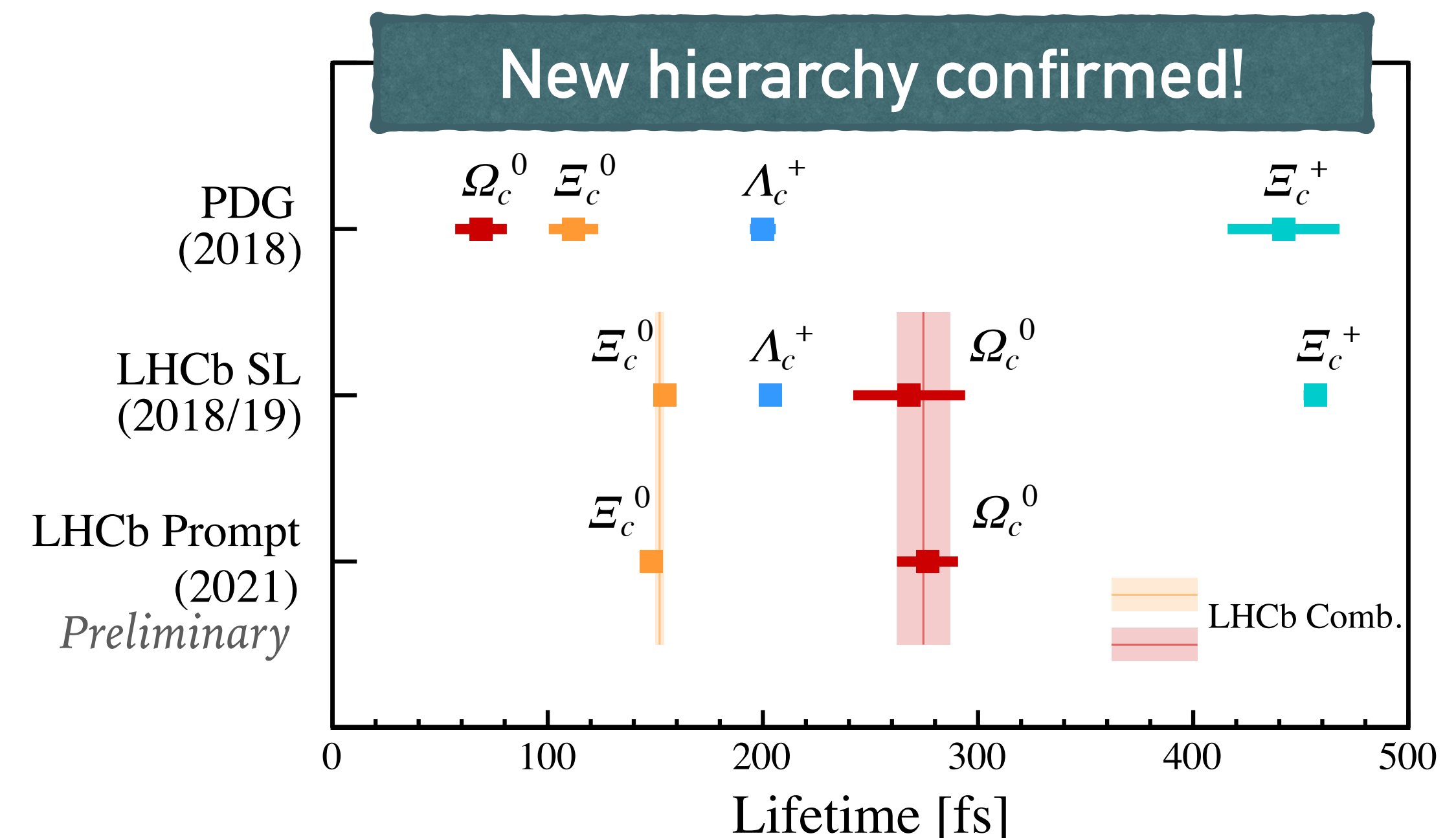


- (usc) (udc) (dsc) (ssc)
 ➤ PDG'2018: $\tau(\Xi_c^+) > \tau(\Lambda_c^+) > \tau(\Xi_c^0) > \tau(\Omega_c^0)$; $\tau(\Omega_c^0) = 69 \pm 12$ fs (fixed-target data)
- LHCb, 2018-2019: measurement of lifetimes of charm baryons produced in **semileptonic** decays of beauty baryons
[PRL 121 \(2018\) 092003](#); [PRD 100 \(2019\) 032001](#)
- Lifetimes of Ω_c^0 and Ξ_c^0 changed significantly, **new hierarchy**: $\tau(\Xi_c^+) > \tau(\Omega_c^0) > \tau(\Lambda_c^+) > \tau(\Xi_c^0)$; $\tau(\Omega_c^0)$ four times larger than the world average
- **Now: we measure the lifetimes of Ω_c^0 and Ξ_c^0 with prompt production**
 - larger signal, but higher backgrounds
 - relative measurement: $\Xi_c^0, \Omega_c^0 \rightarrow pK^-K^-\pi^+$ vs $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$

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Question: can we hope for measurements from Belle II?

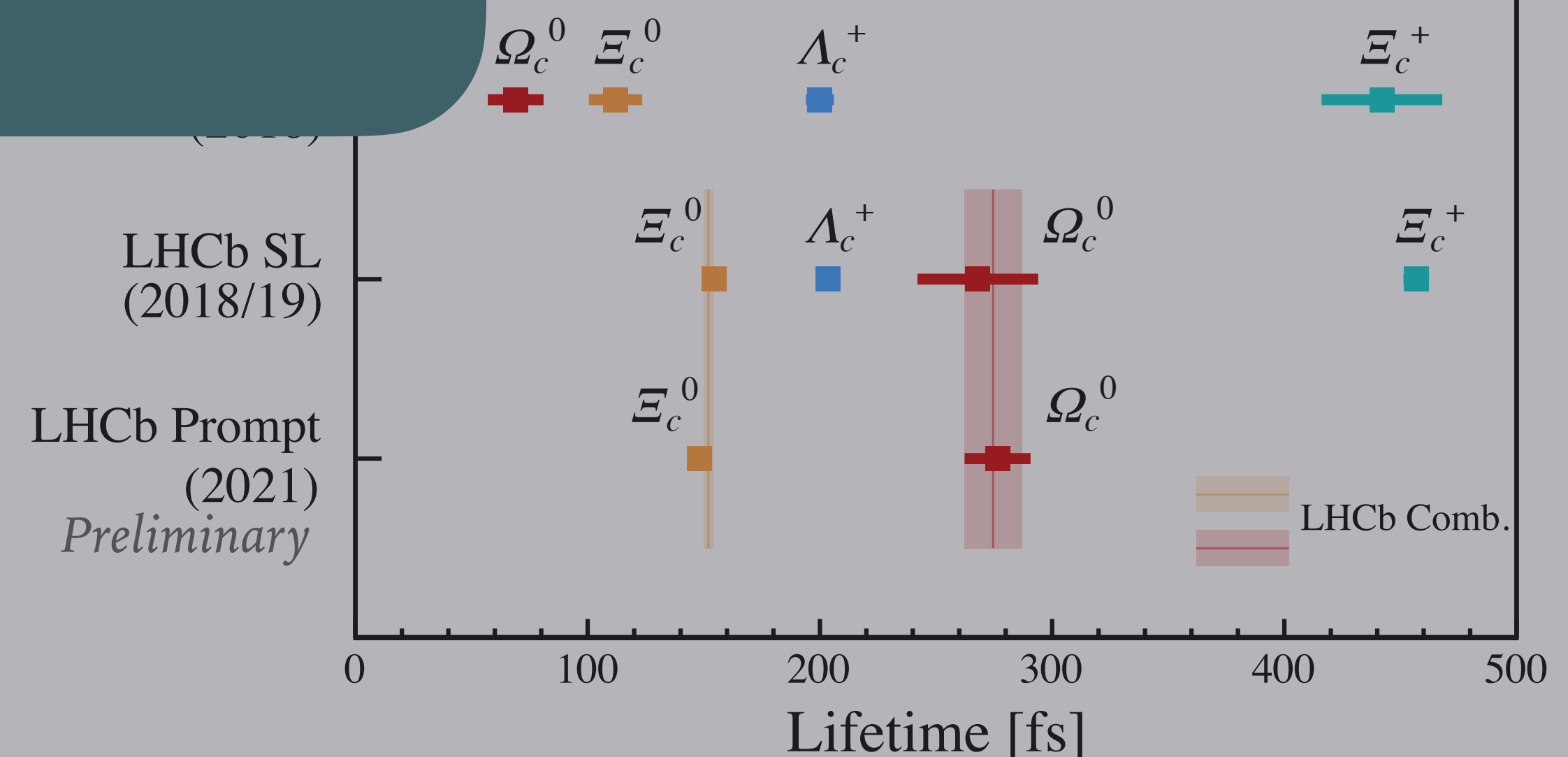
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New hierarchy confirmed!



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words for
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- electroweak decay with small BF ($\leq 10^{-4}$)
- (usually) penguin or box SM diagram
 - or: forbidden in SM (LFV, etc)
- dilepton or photon in the final state



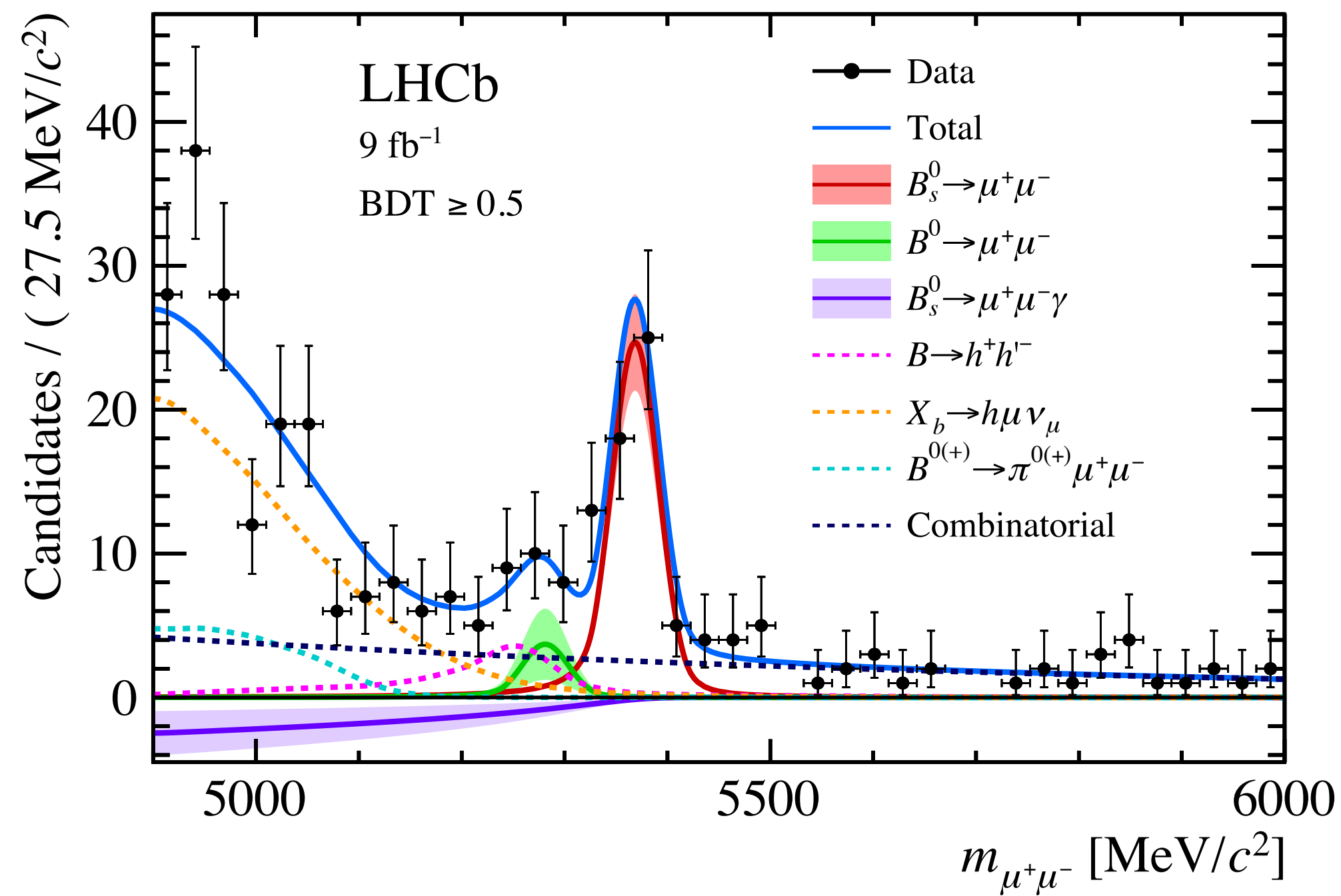
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- tree-level
- fully-hadronic
- ...





$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.09^{+0.46+0.15}_{-0.43-0.11}) \times 10^{-9}$$

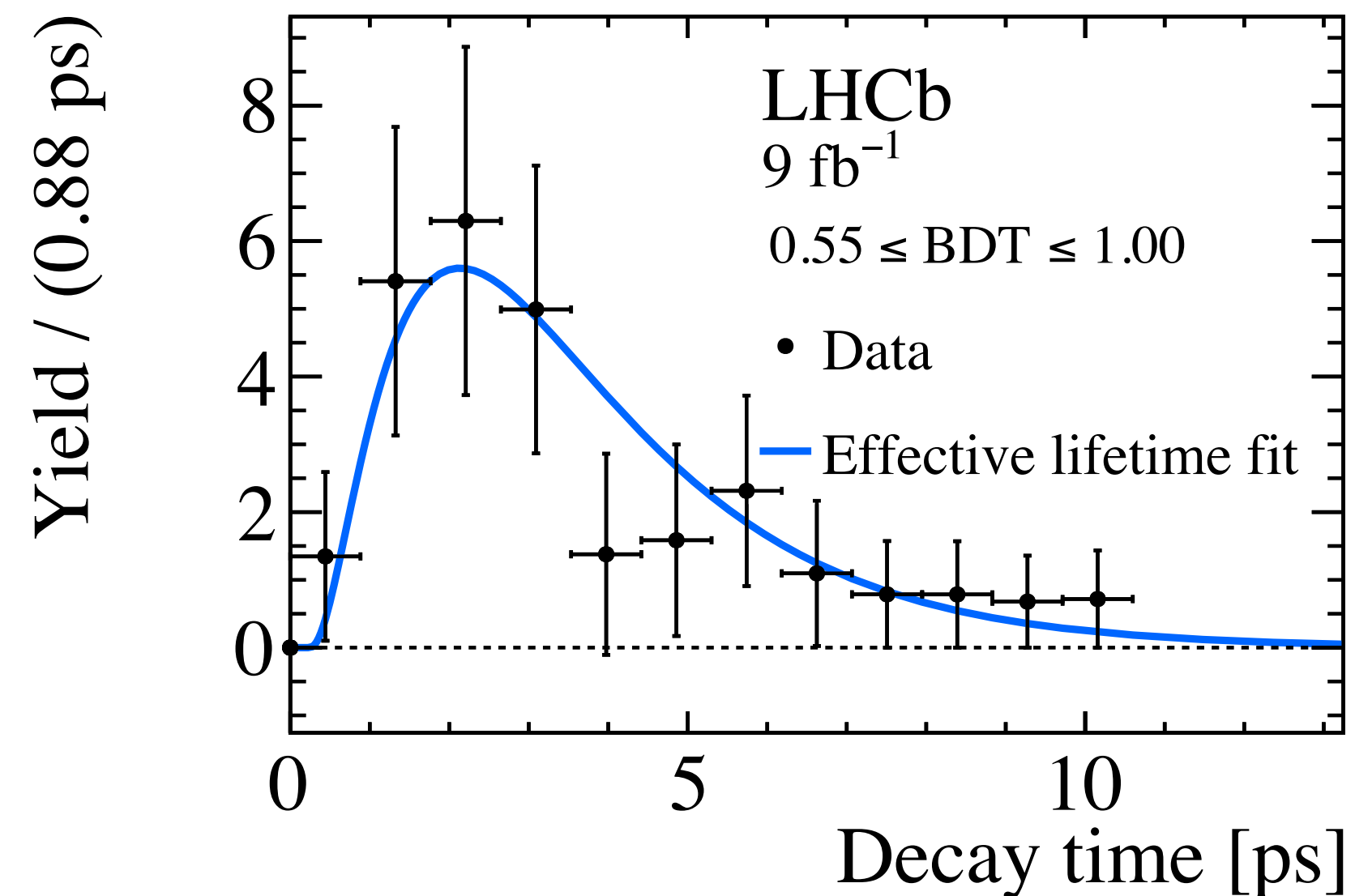
*most precise to date,
agrees with the SM*

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) < 2.6 \times 10^{-10}$$

sensitivity affected by misID

$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma)_{m(\mu\mu) < 4.9 \text{ GeV}} < 2.0 \times 10^{-9}$$

first limit



$$\text{Effective lifetime } \tau(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (2.07 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.03) \text{ ps}$$

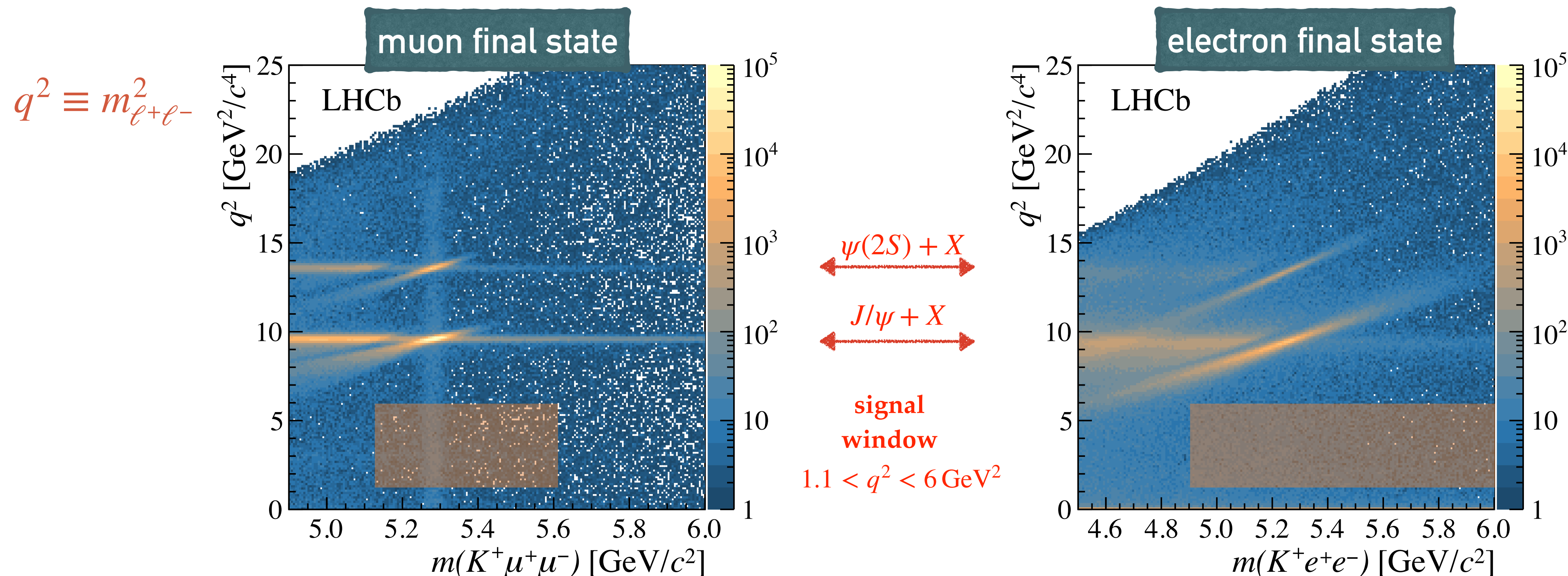
*closer to the lifetime of the heavy mass eigenstate, ~1.62 ps
(in SM, only the heavy eigenstate can decay to two muons)*

- Couplings to SM gauge bosons are identical for $e/\mu/\tau$, e.g.

$$\frac{\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\Gamma(Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-)} = 1.0009 \pm 0.0028 \text{ or } \frac{\Gamma(W \rightarrow e \nu)}{\Gamma(W \rightarrow \mu \nu)} = 1.004 \pm 0.008$$

- Challenged in B decays: $b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$ and $b \rightarrow c \ell \nu$ transitions

- I will focus on $b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$.

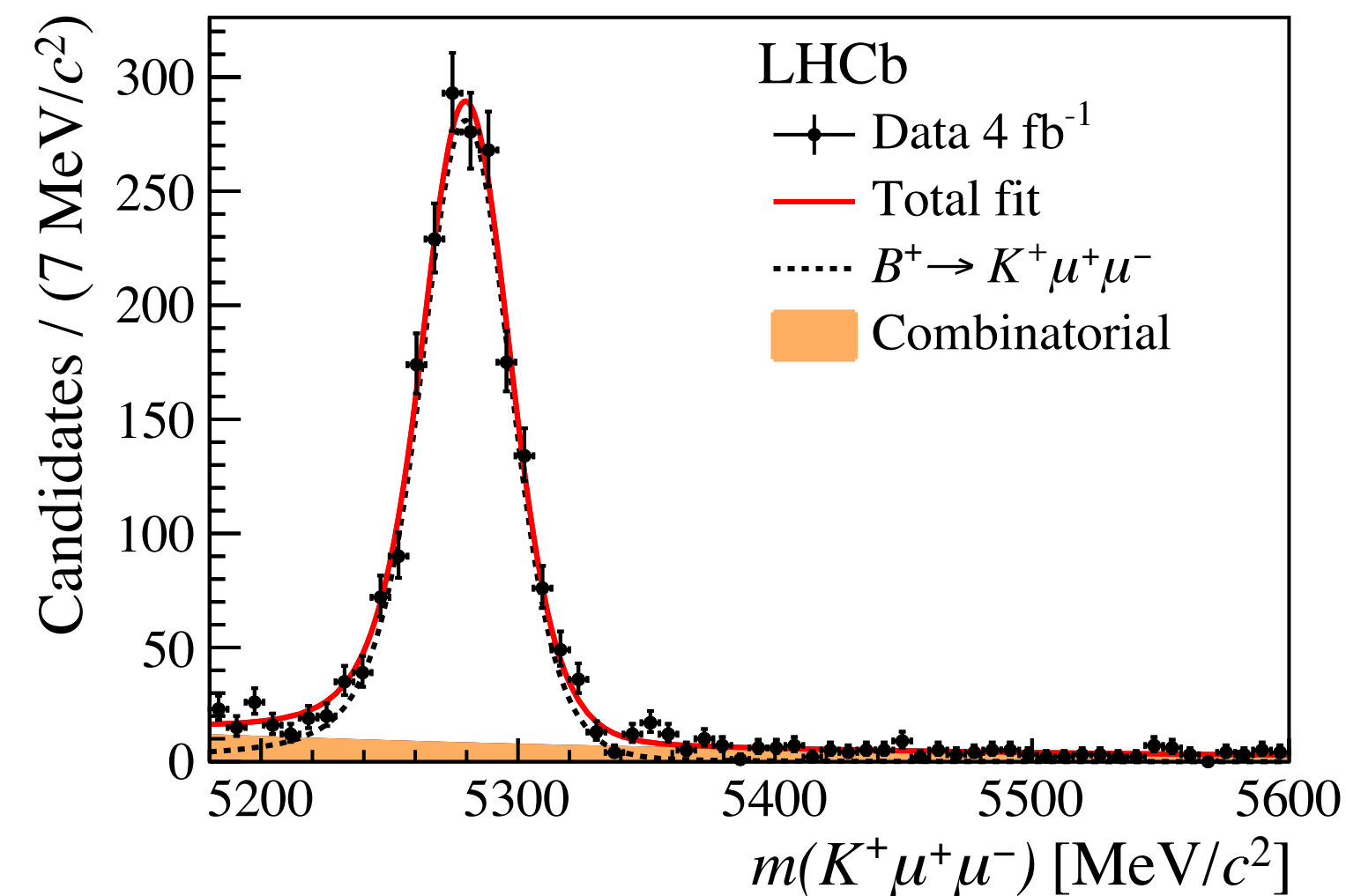
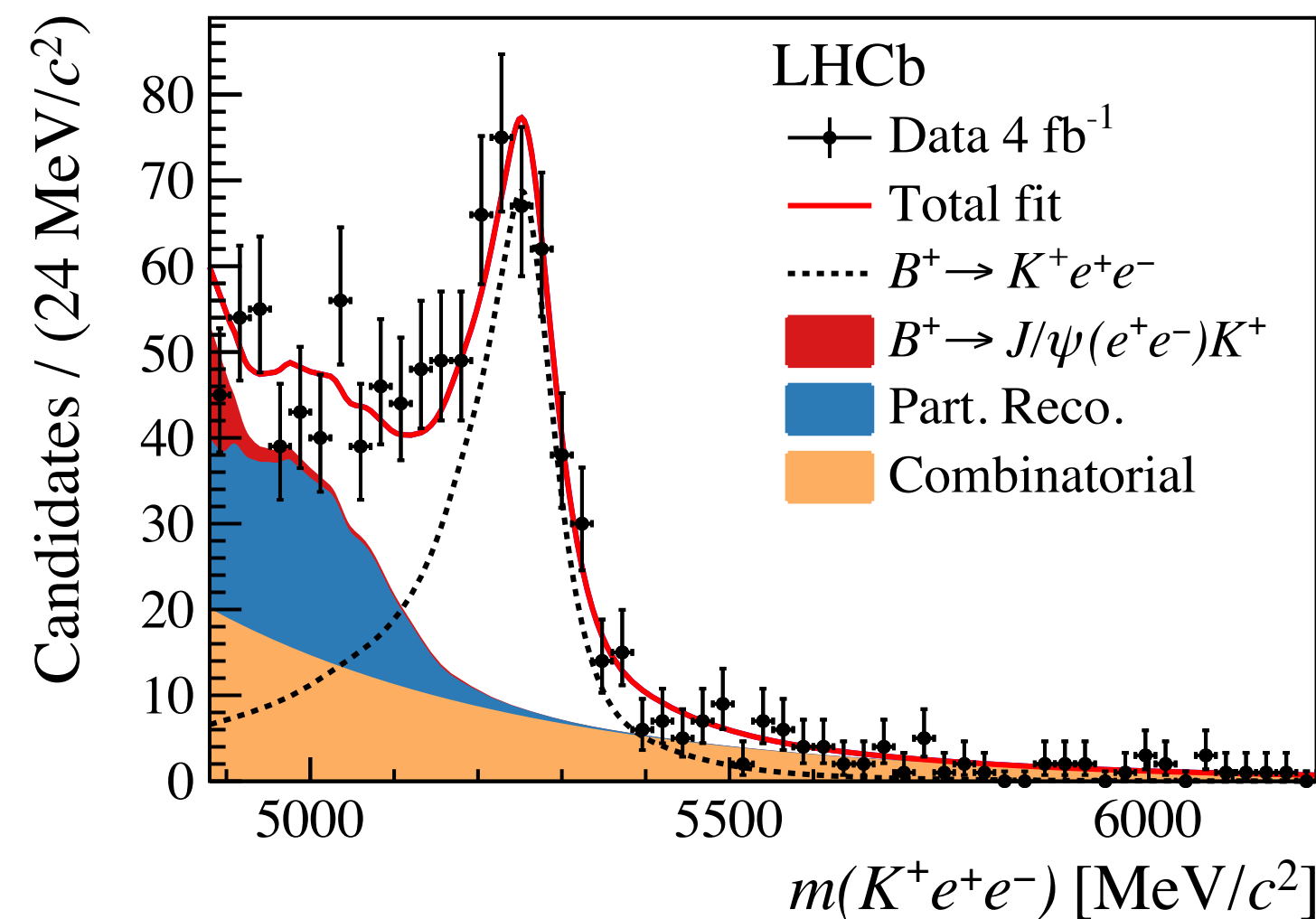


- What we measure: (to cancel detection asymmetries)

$$R_K = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ J/\psi(\mu^+ \mu^-))} \times \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ J/\psi(e^+ e^-))}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ e^+ e^-)}$$

where only $1.1 < q^2 < 6 \text{ GeV}^2$
is considered for the rare mode

- The J/ψ single ratio consistent with unity in any considered region of phase-space

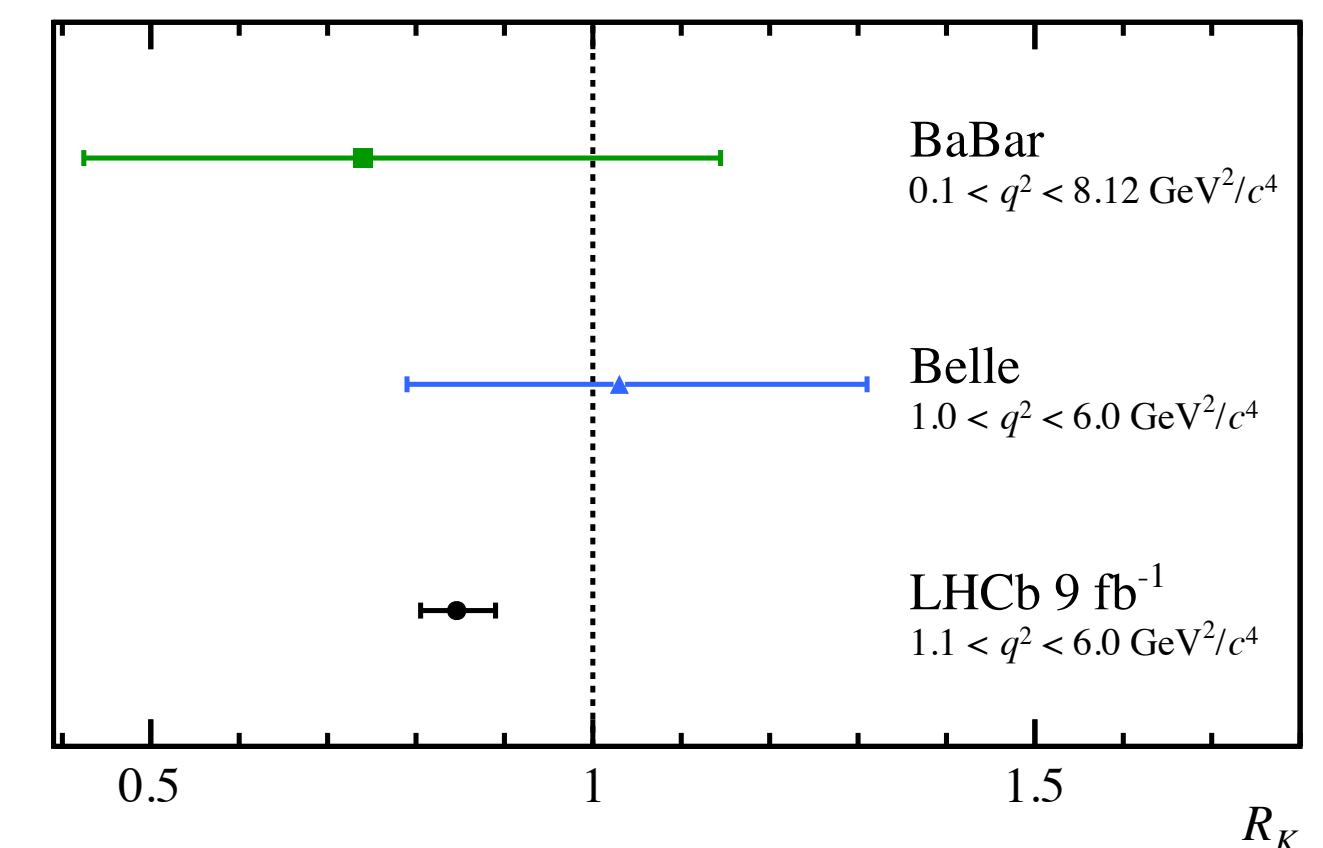


- We measure: $R_K = 0.846^{+0.042+0.013}_{-0.039-0.012}$

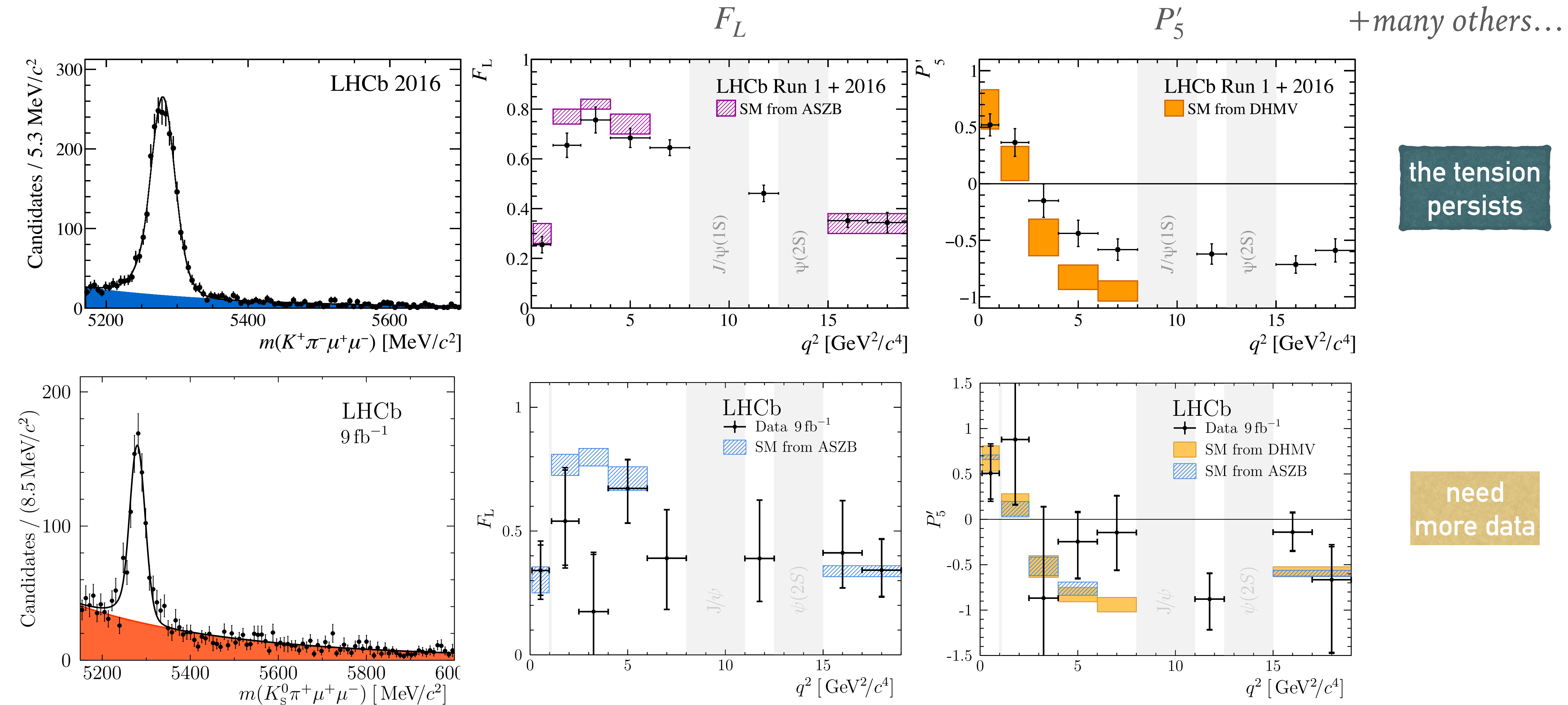
3.1 σ from unity

- Similar measurement in Λ_b^0 decays: $R_{pK} = 0.86^{+0.14}_{-0.11} \pm 0.05$

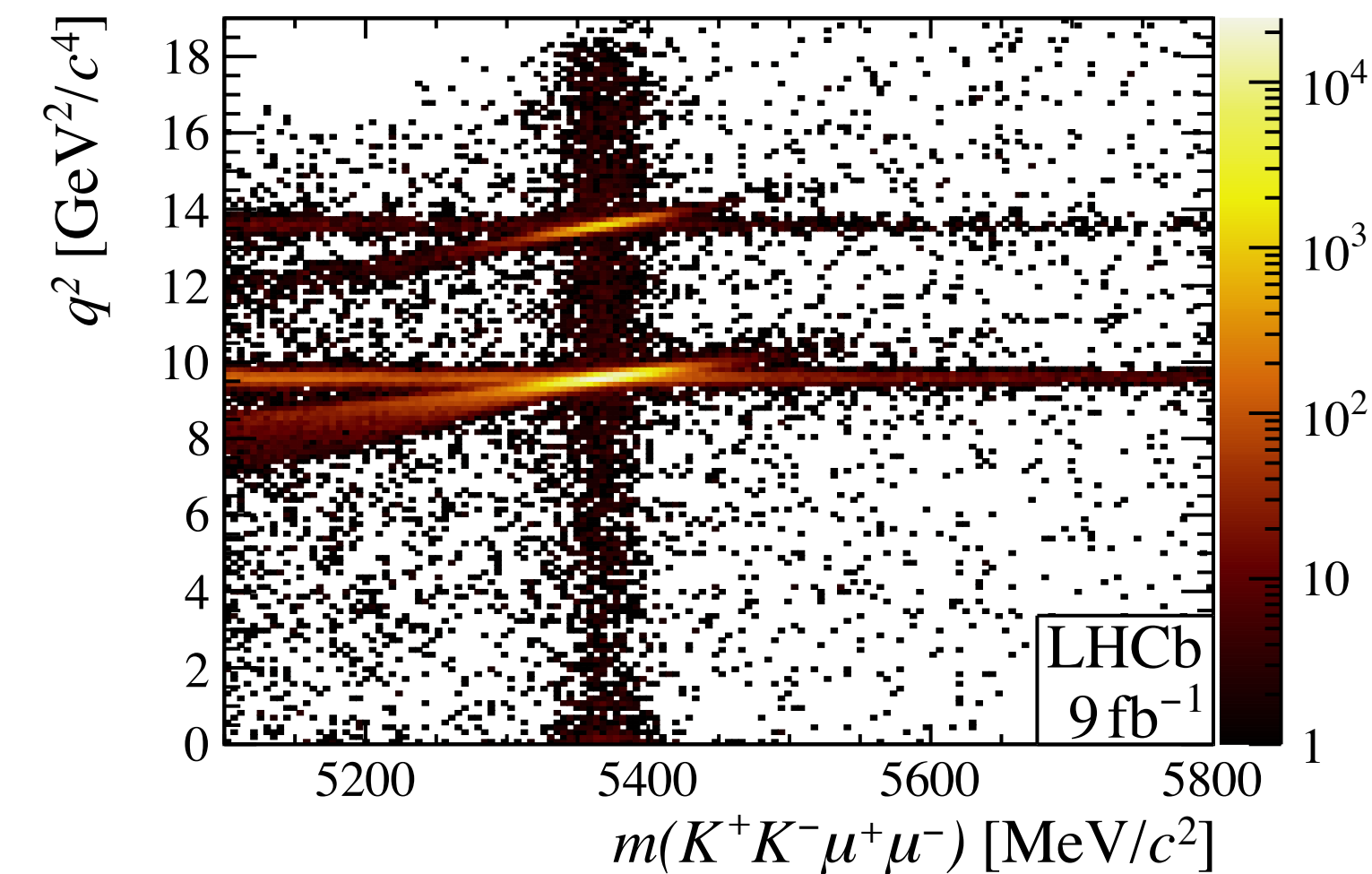
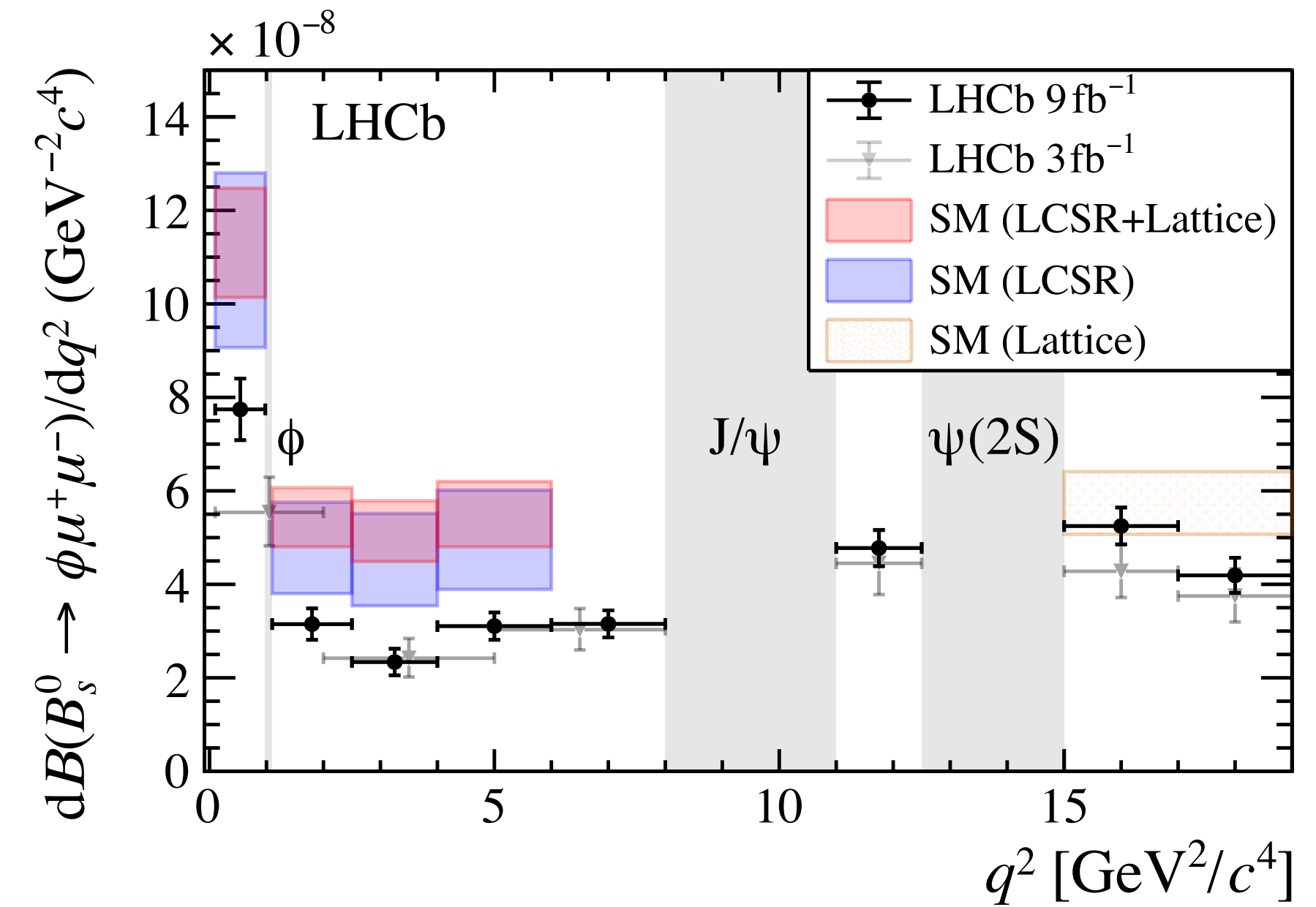
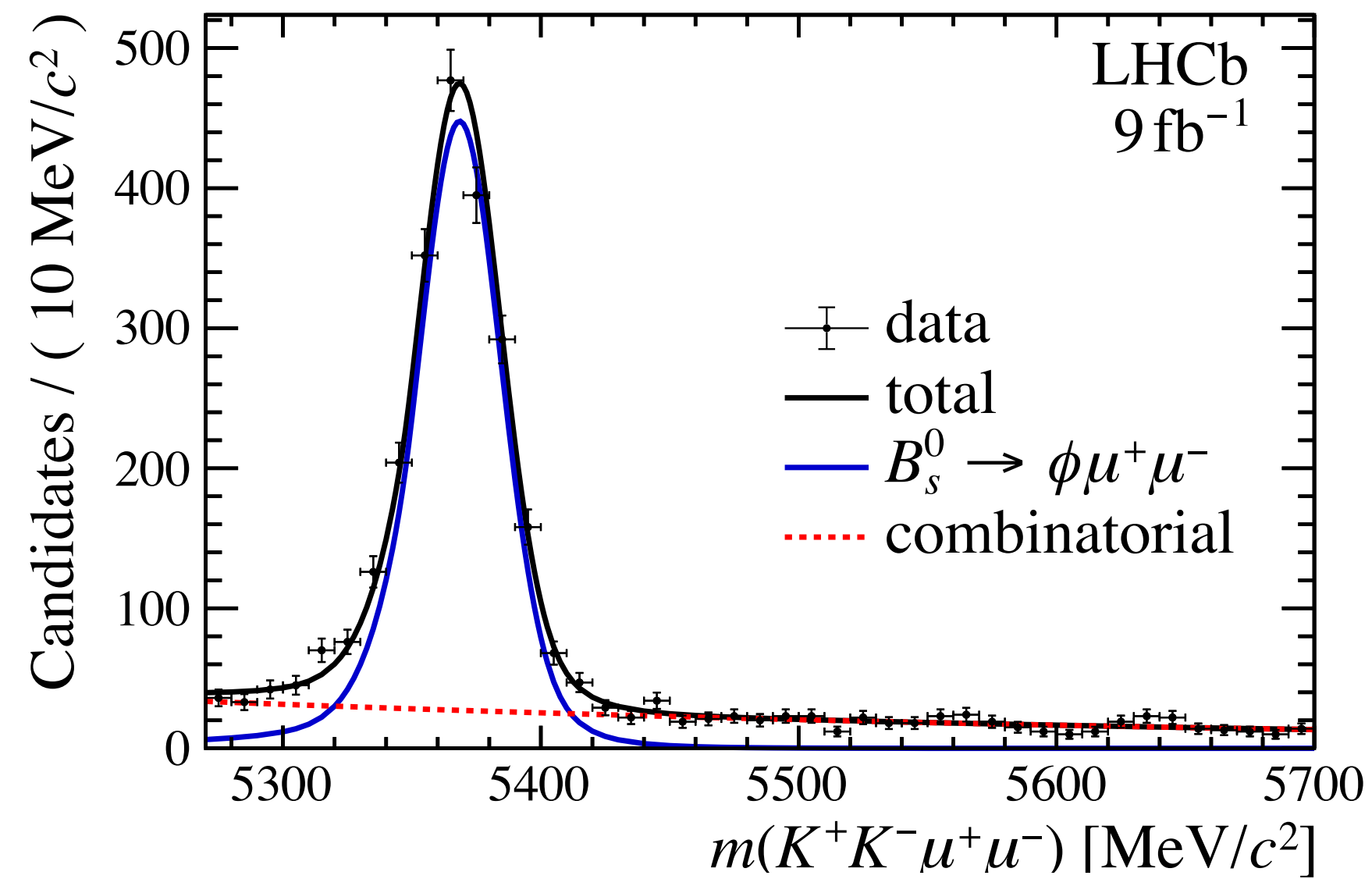
- Other final states in the pipeline ($R_{K^*}, R_{K_S}, R_\Lambda$ etc).



- Neutral and charged modes analysed, CP-averaged angular observables measured:



► Differential BF measurement:

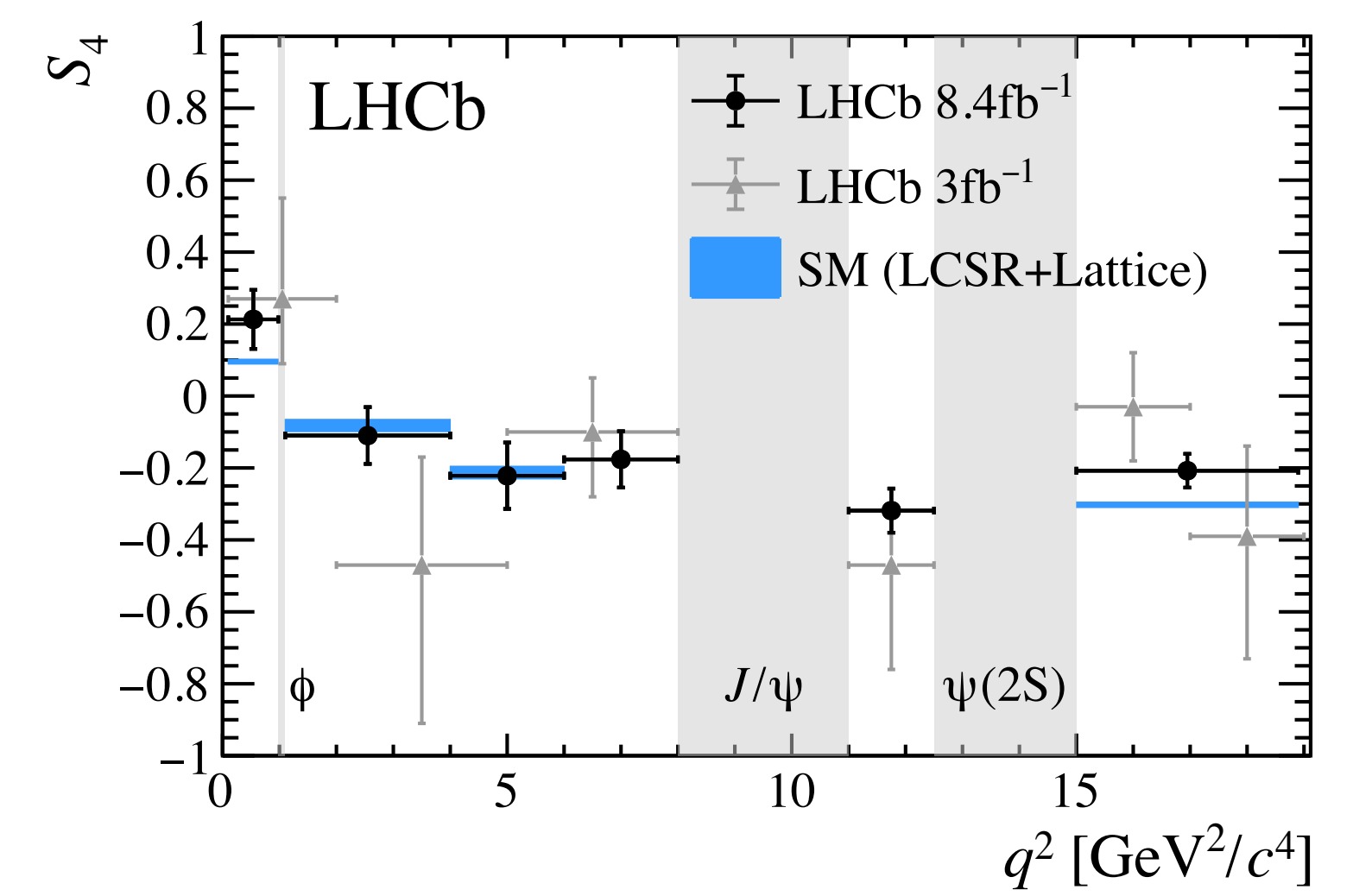
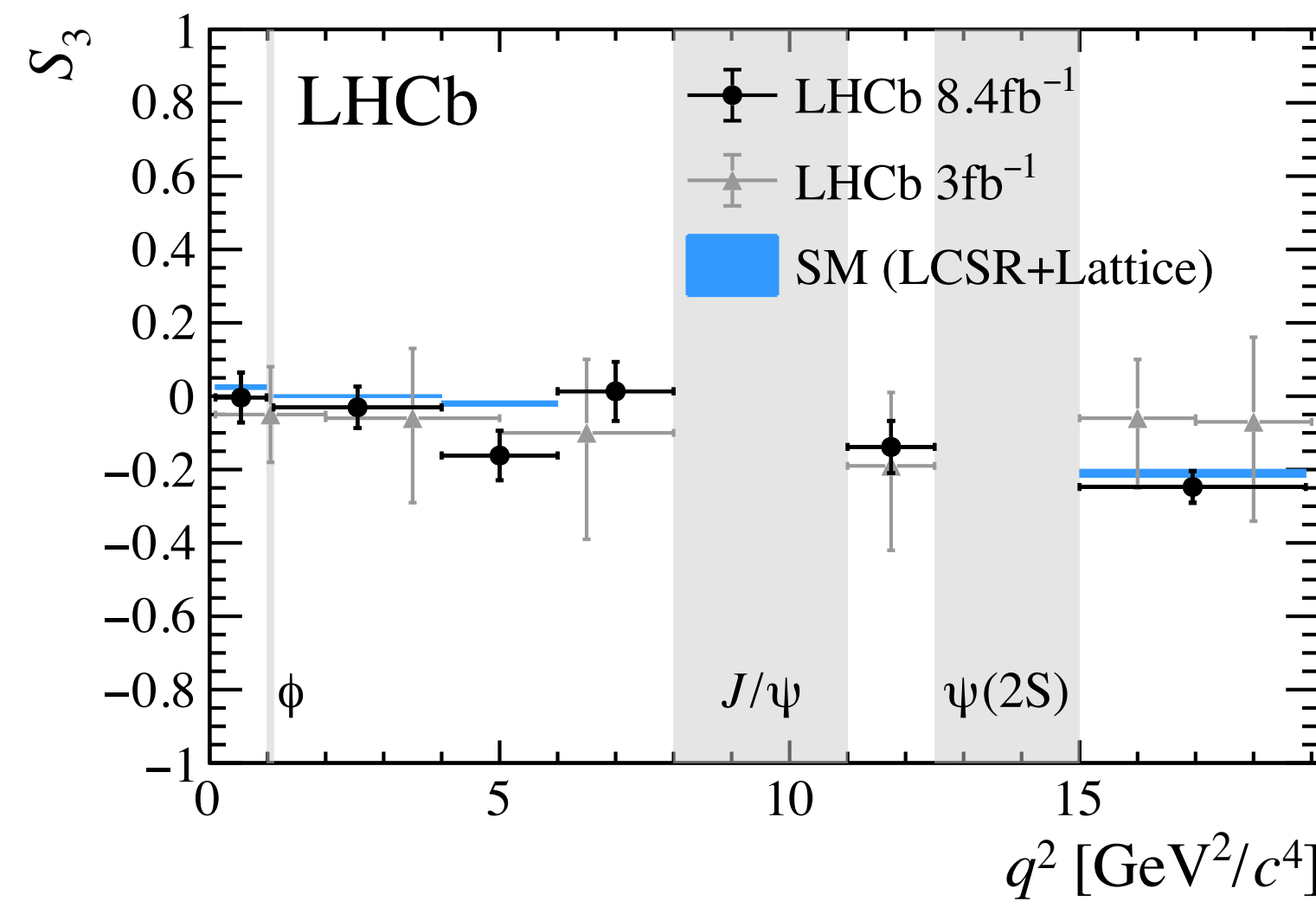
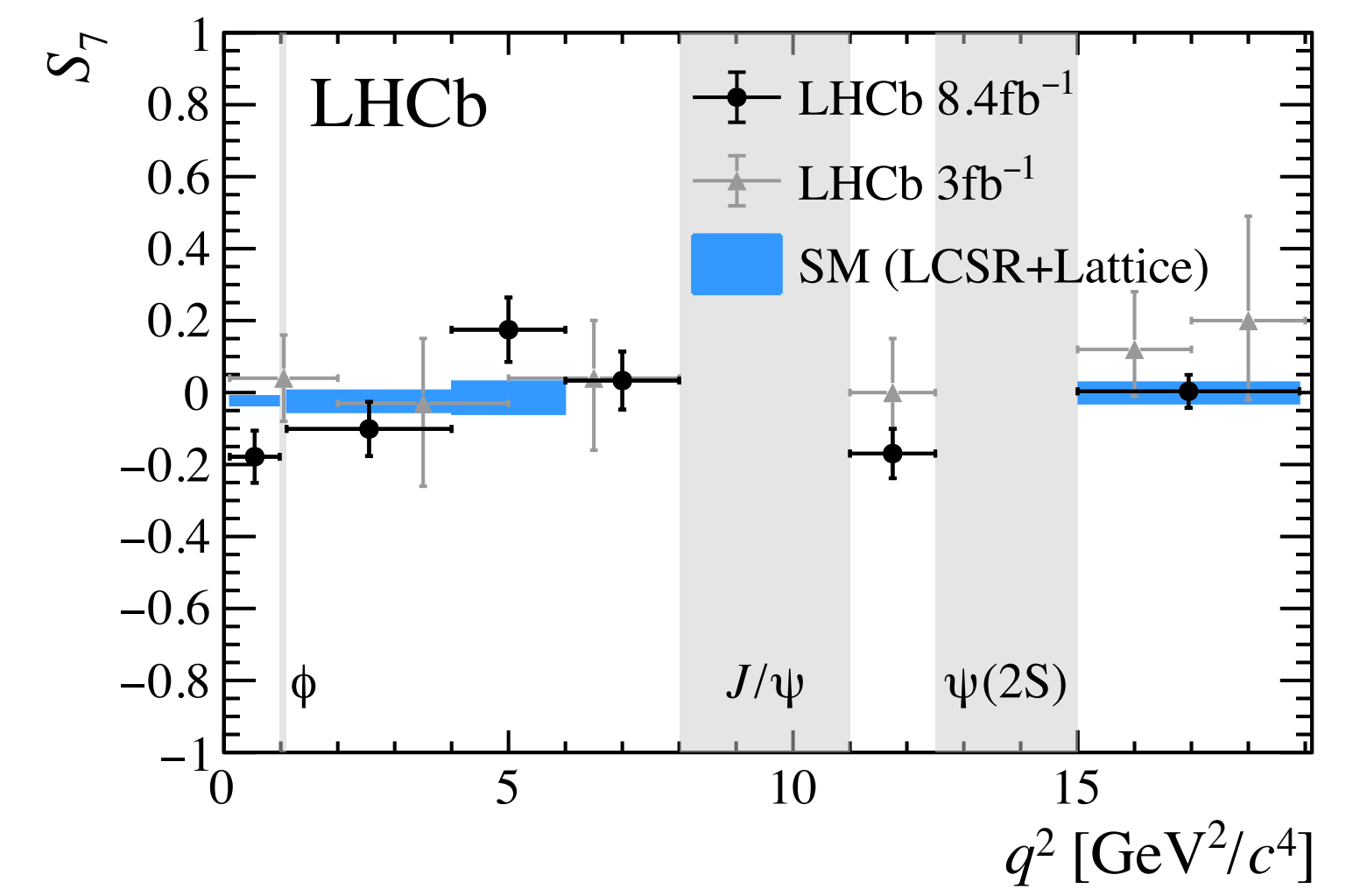
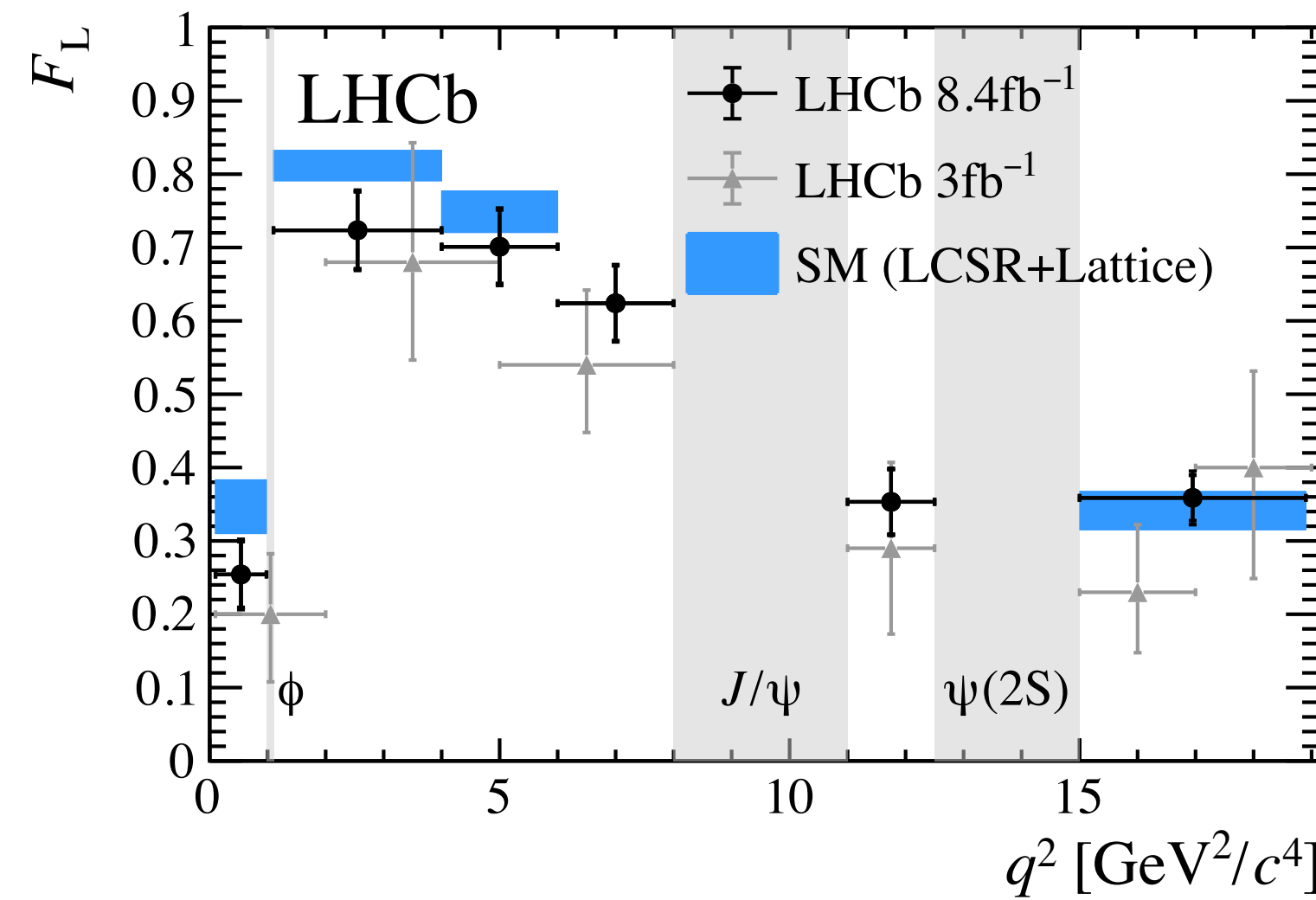


in q^2 region 1.1 ... 6:
3.6 σ below SM (lattice+LCSR)
1.8 σ below SM (LCSR)

► This is clearly not a stat. fluctuation, but (???) could be some bias in theory estimate.

► Angular analysis performed
with untagged B_s^0

Untagged analysis – no separation of
 B_s^0/\overline{B}_s^0 – no observables like P'_5 here
(which show anomalies in
 $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$)

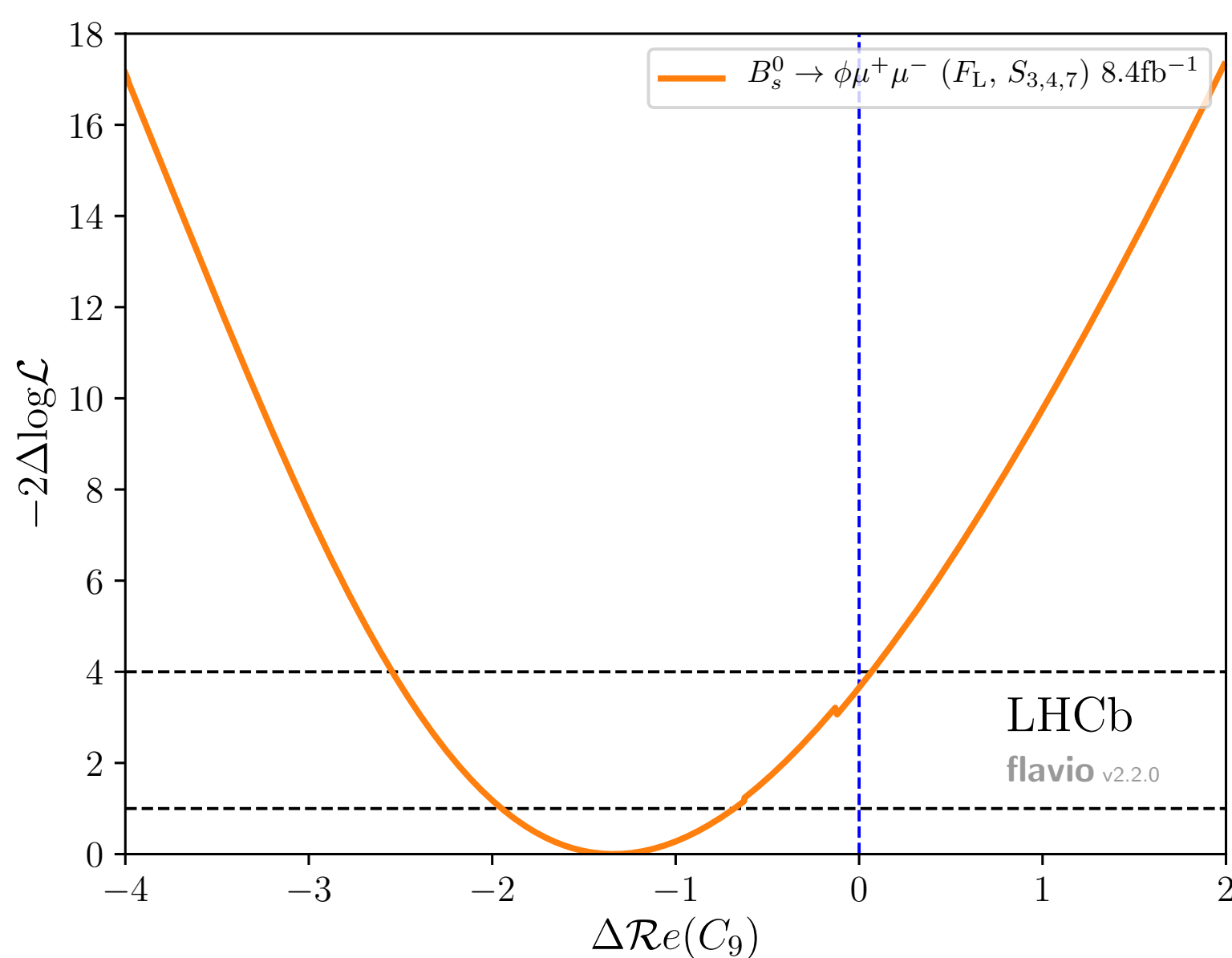


Results compatible with SM, but
some deviation in F_L : same as in $B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$?

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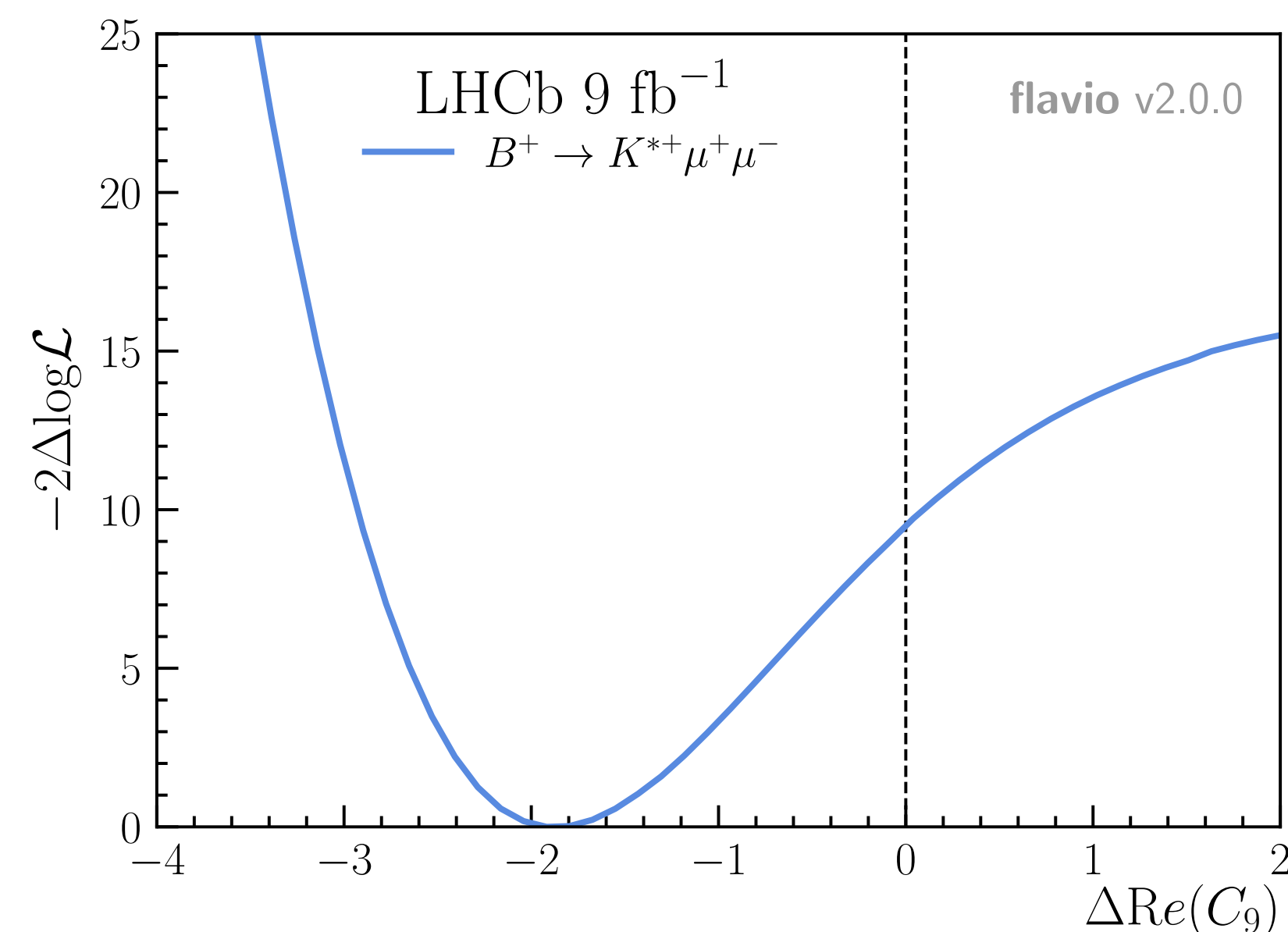
$$B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \mu^+ \mu^-$$

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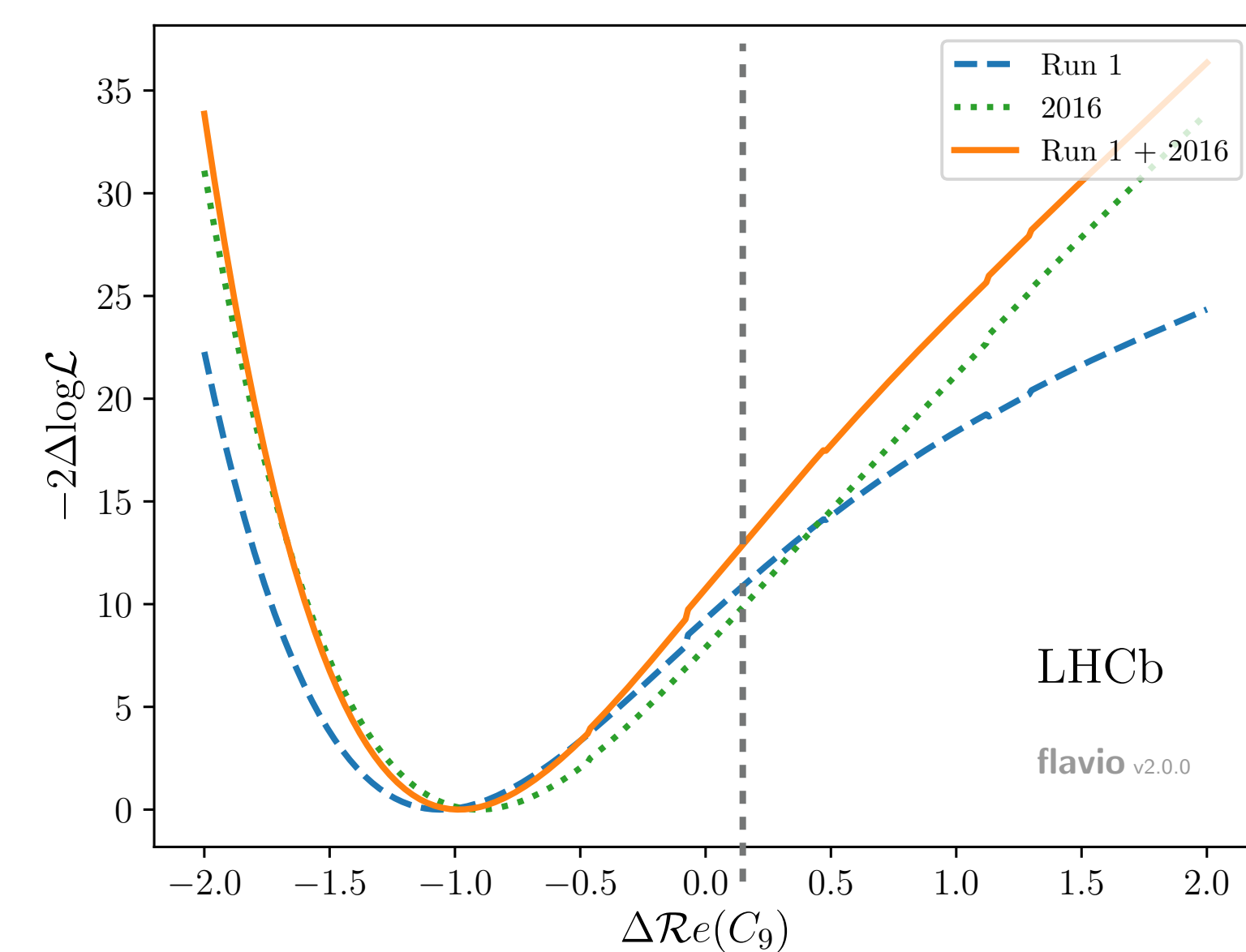
$$B^+ \rightarrow K^{*+} \mu^+ \mu^-$$

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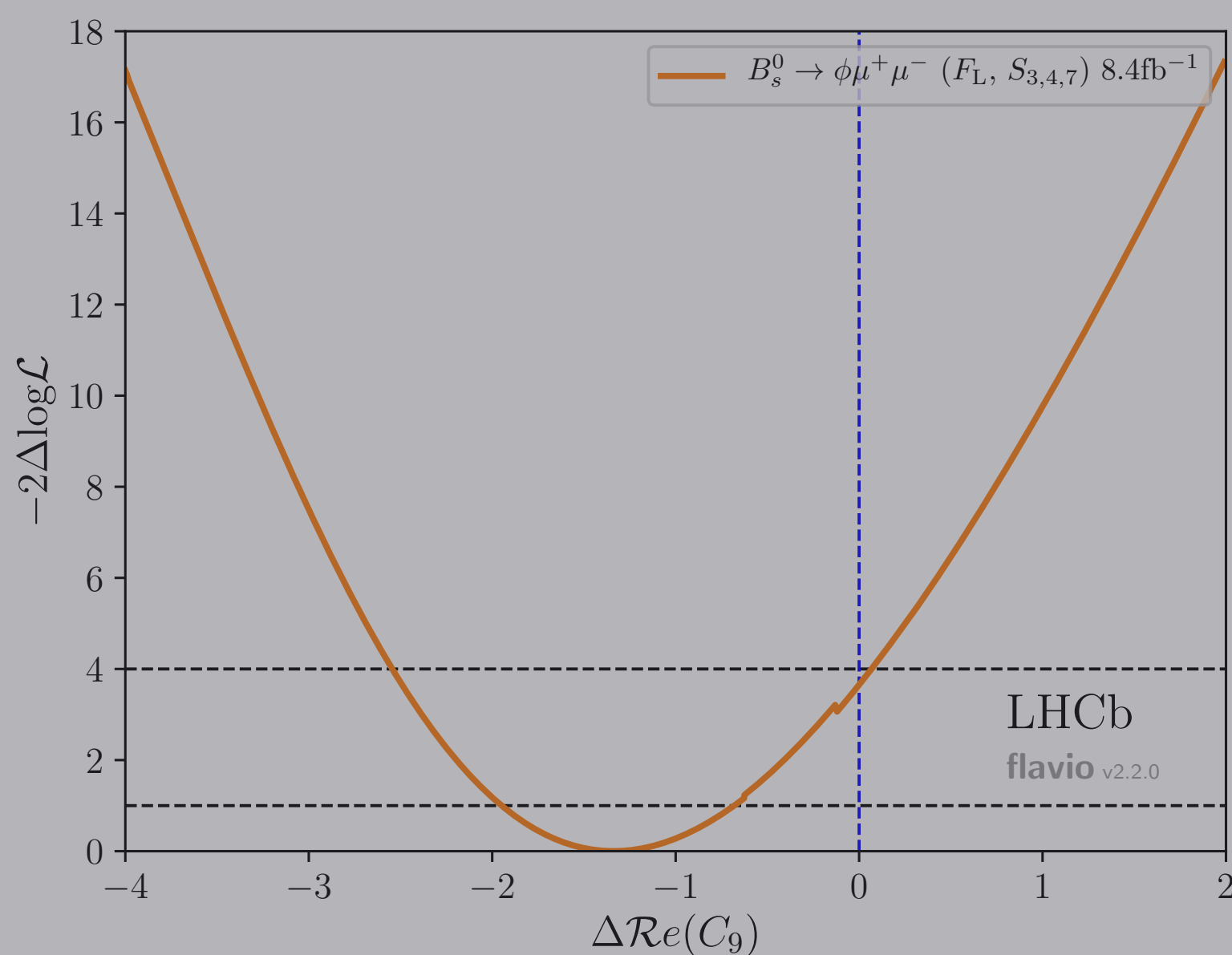
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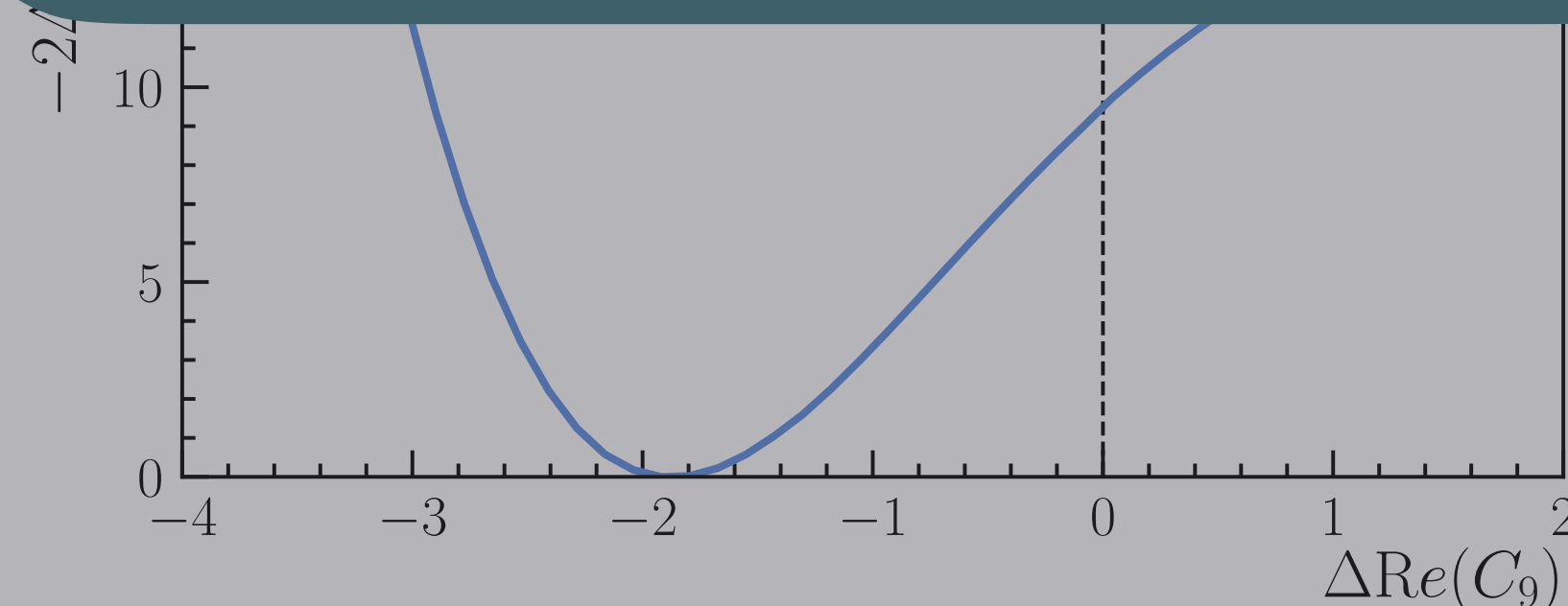
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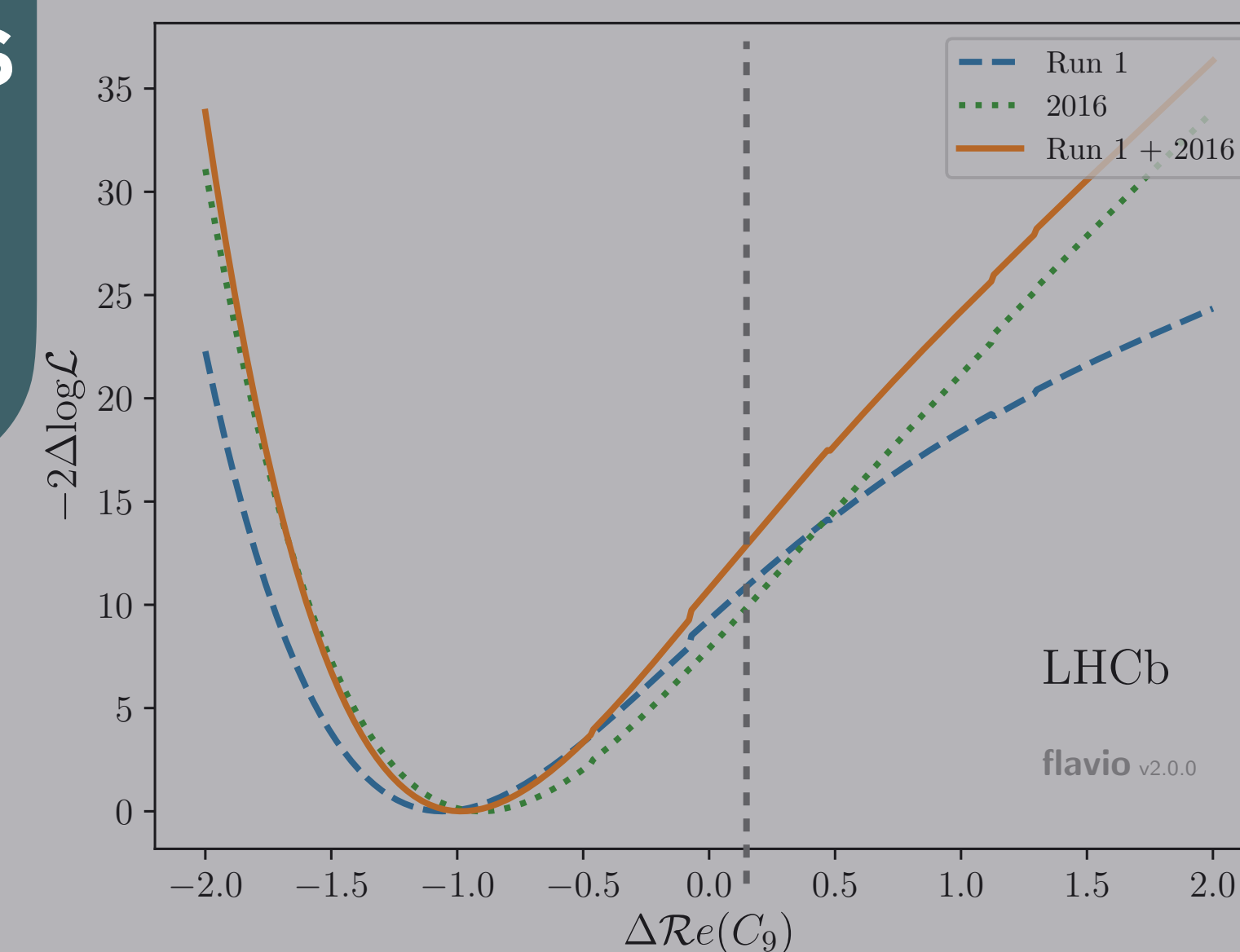


Looking forward to
complementary measurements
from Belle II!

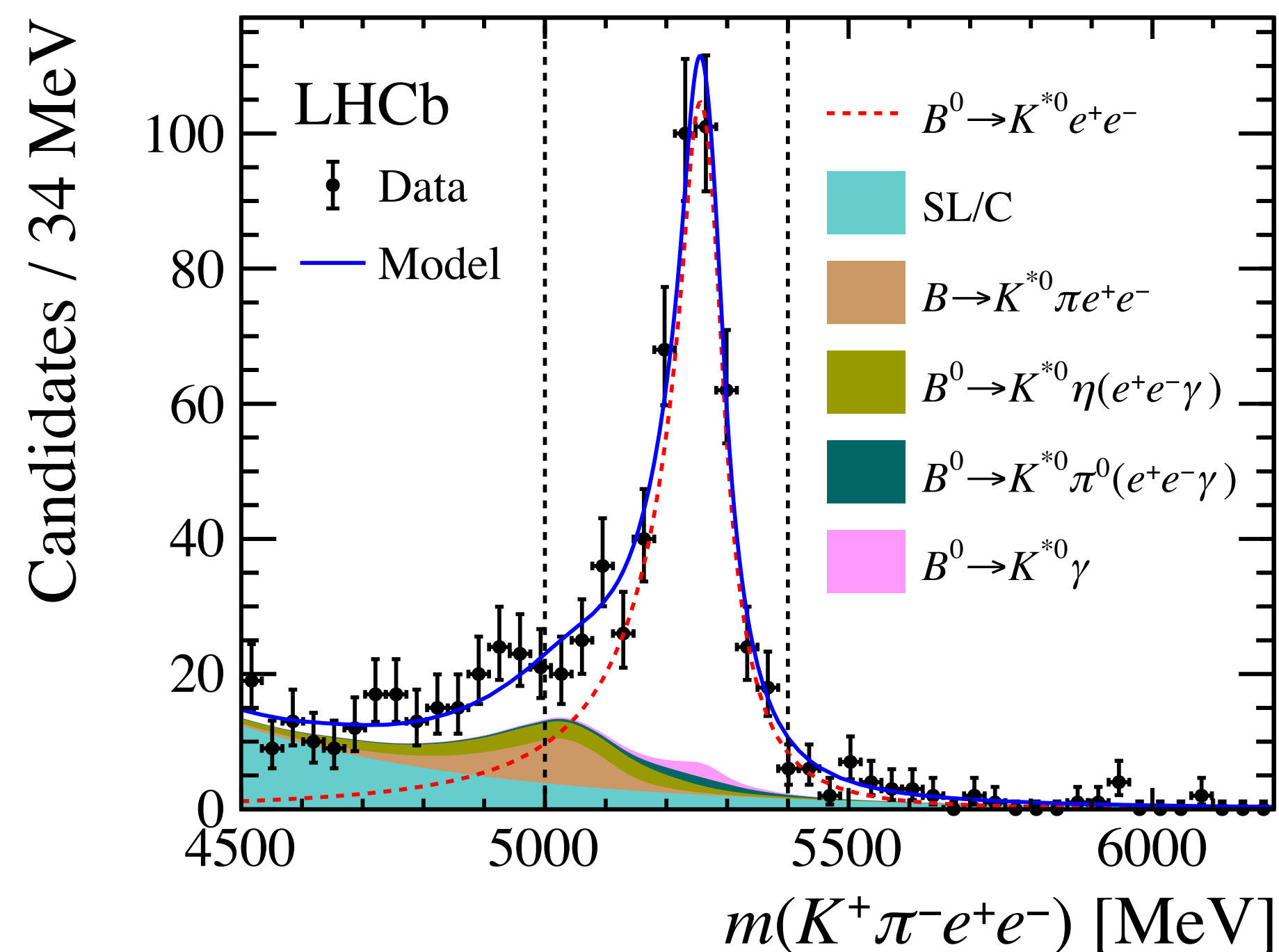


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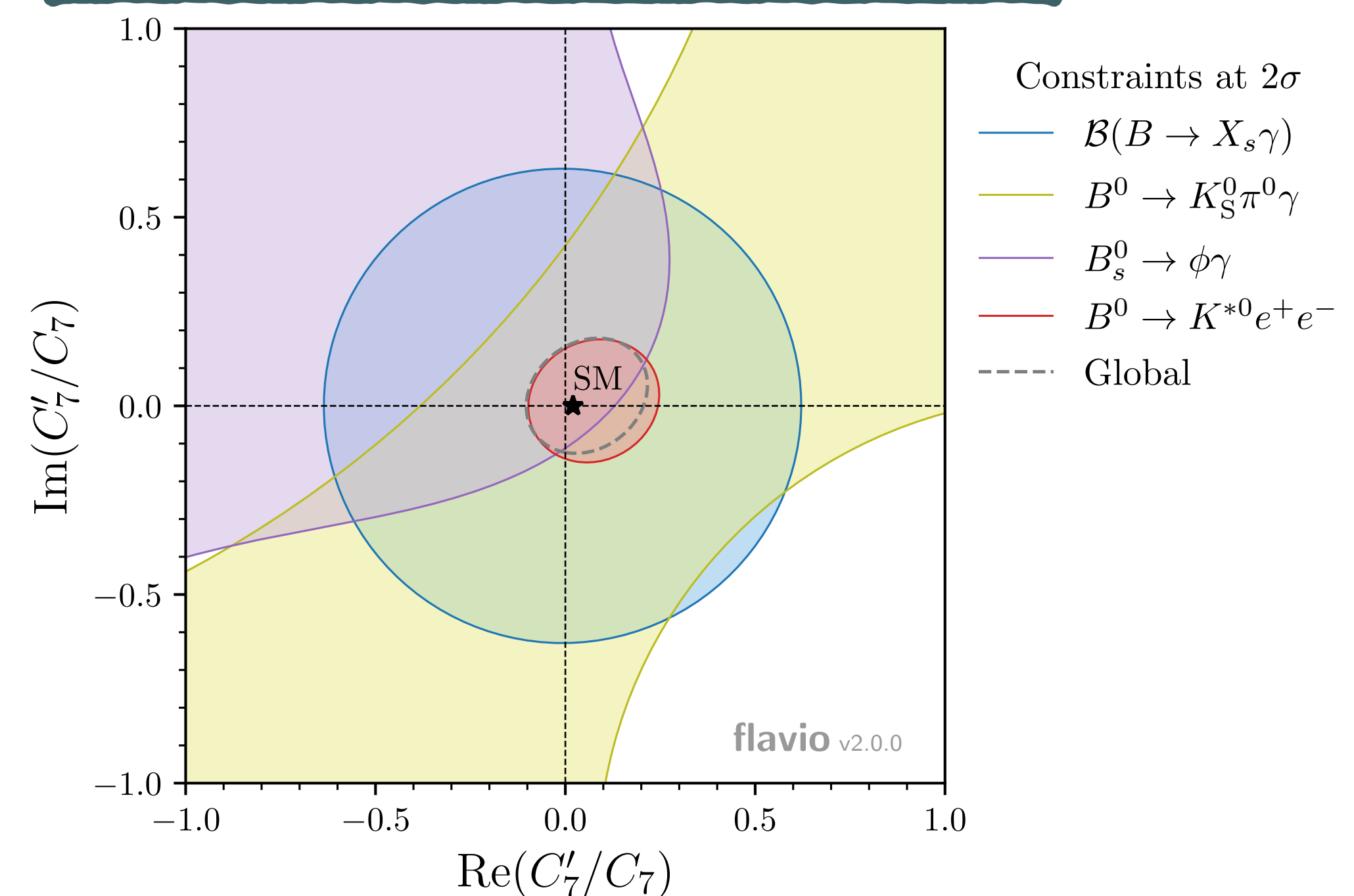
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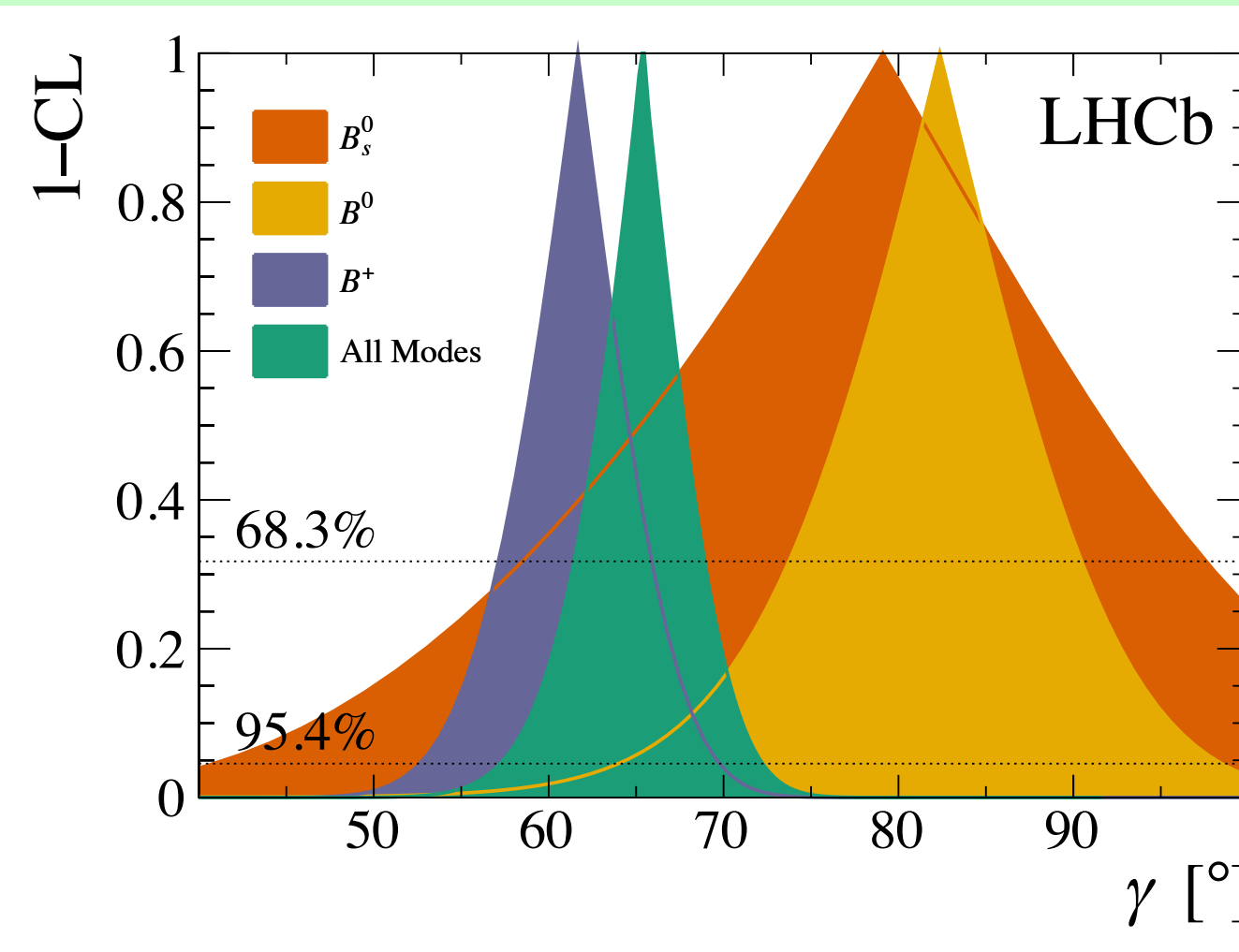
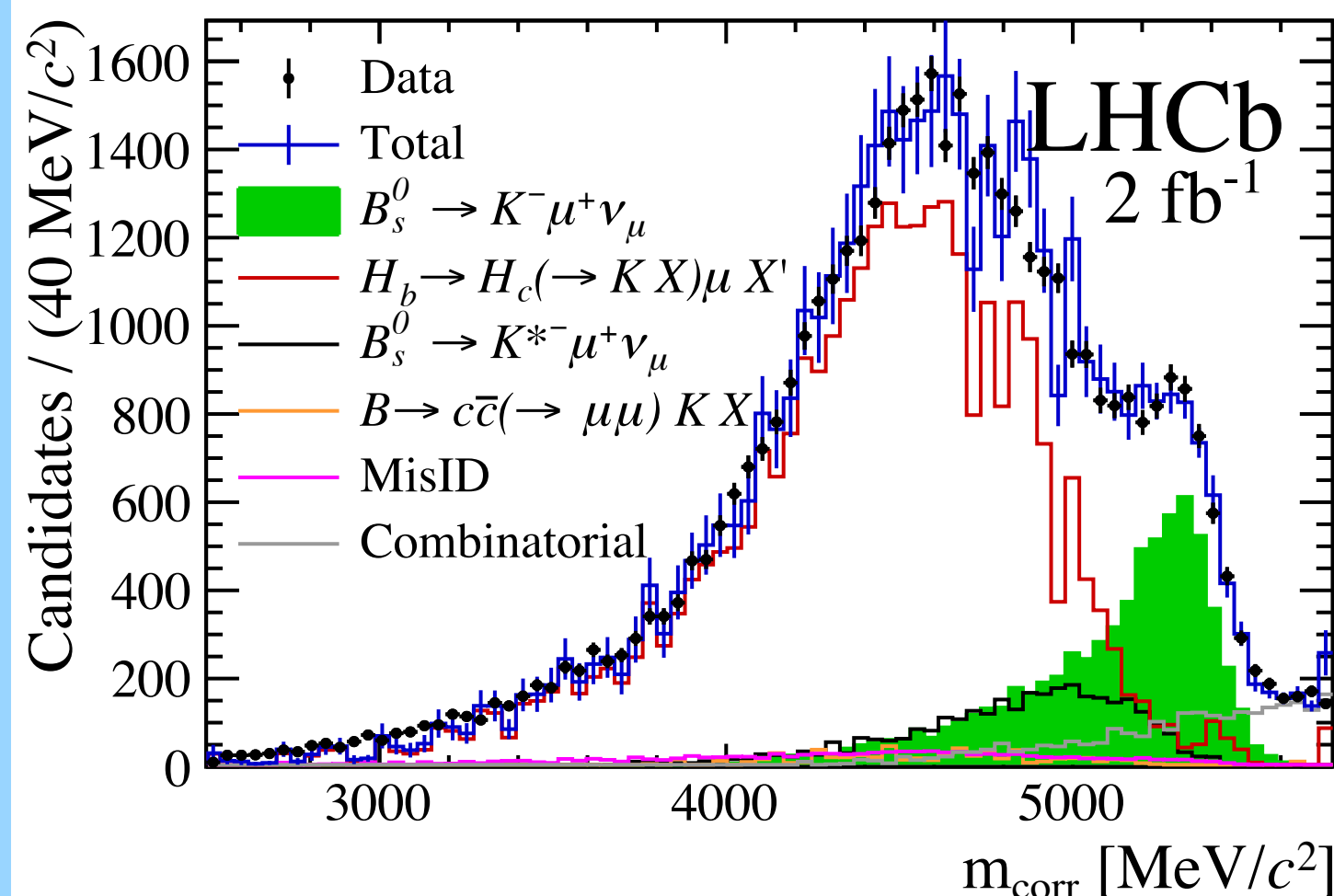


- SM: $b \rightarrow s\gamma$ transition produces almost always a **left-handed** photon
- Angular analysis of $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}e^+e^-$ in $0.0008 < q^2 < 0.257 \text{ GeV}^2$
 - region dominated by the virtual photon
 - good resolution on the angle ϕ between the dielectron and $K\pi$ planes
- World's best **constraint on right-handed photon polarisation** in $b \rightarrow s\gamma$



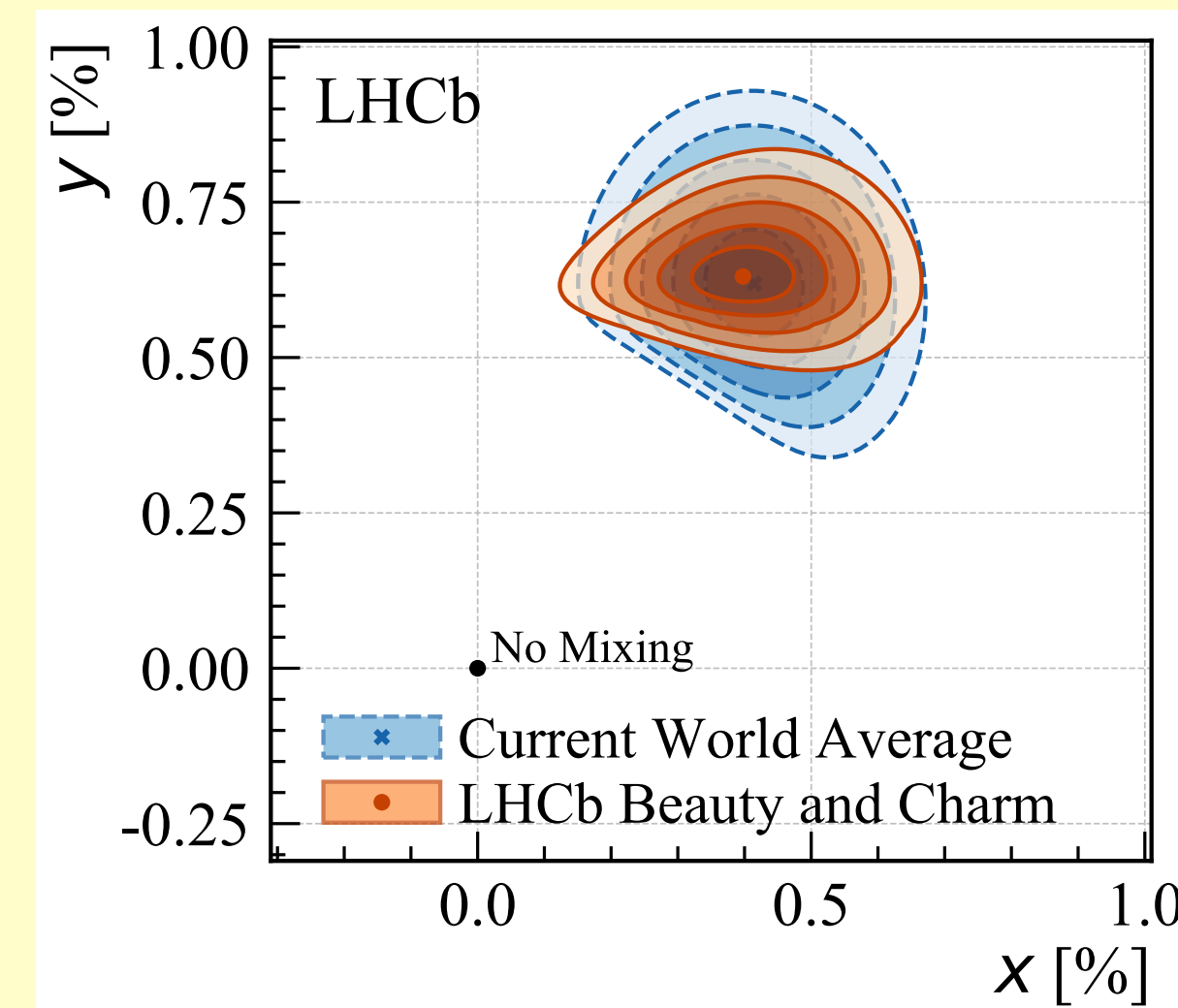
Ratio of RH and LH Wilson coefficients





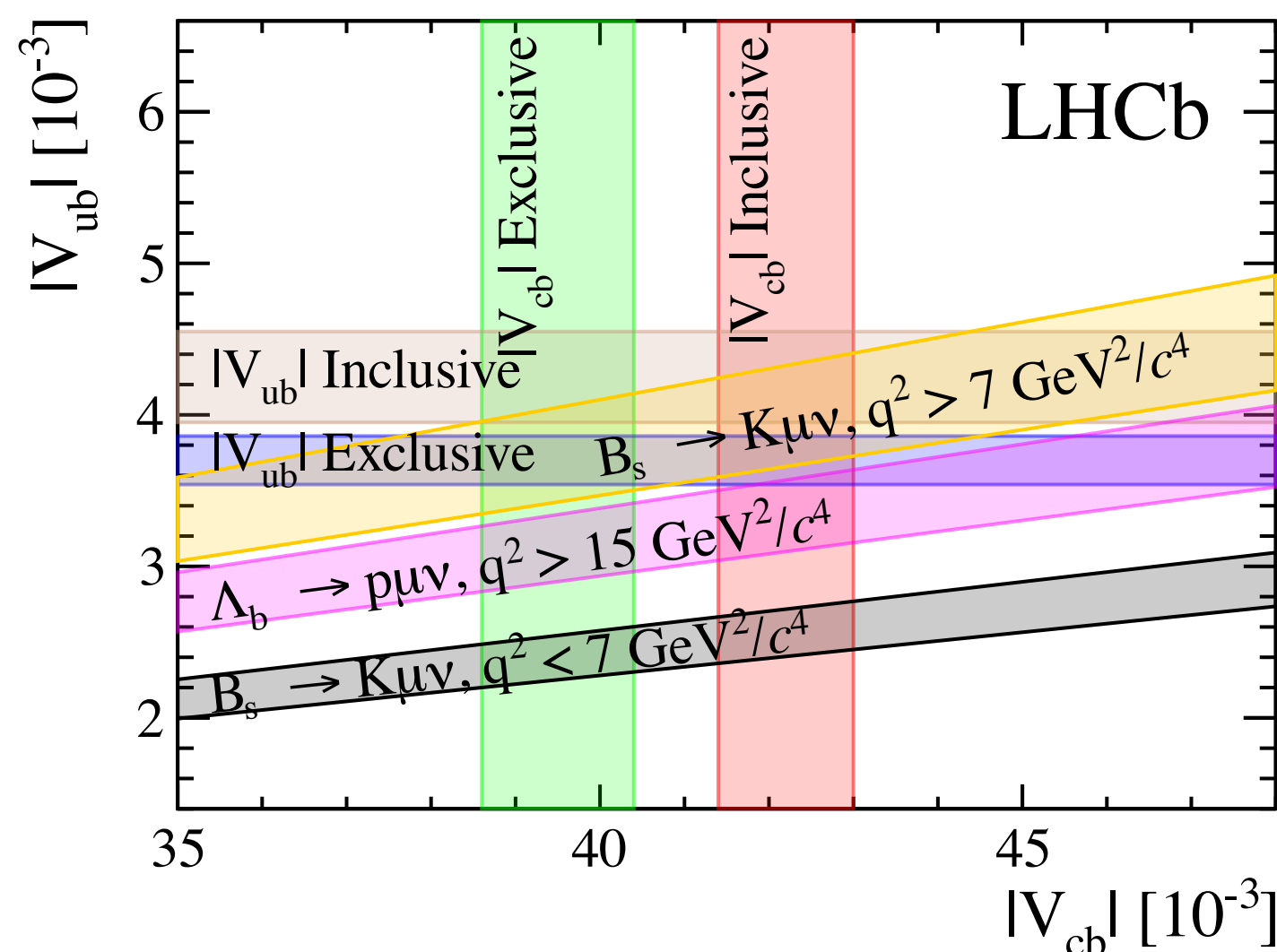
$$\gamma \equiv \phi_3 = (65.4^{+3.8}_{-4.2})^\circ$$

average of LHCb results
consistent with global CKM fits

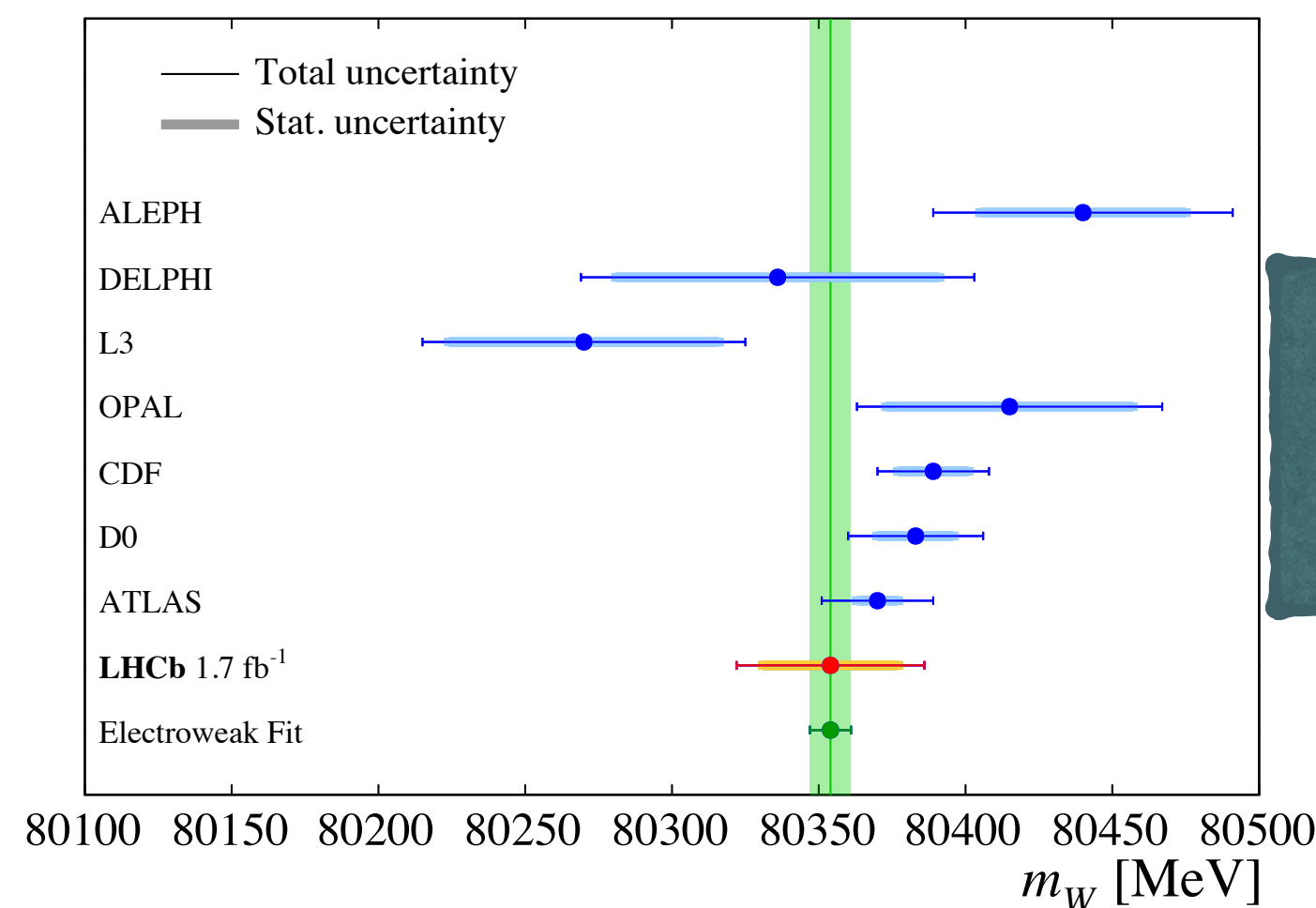
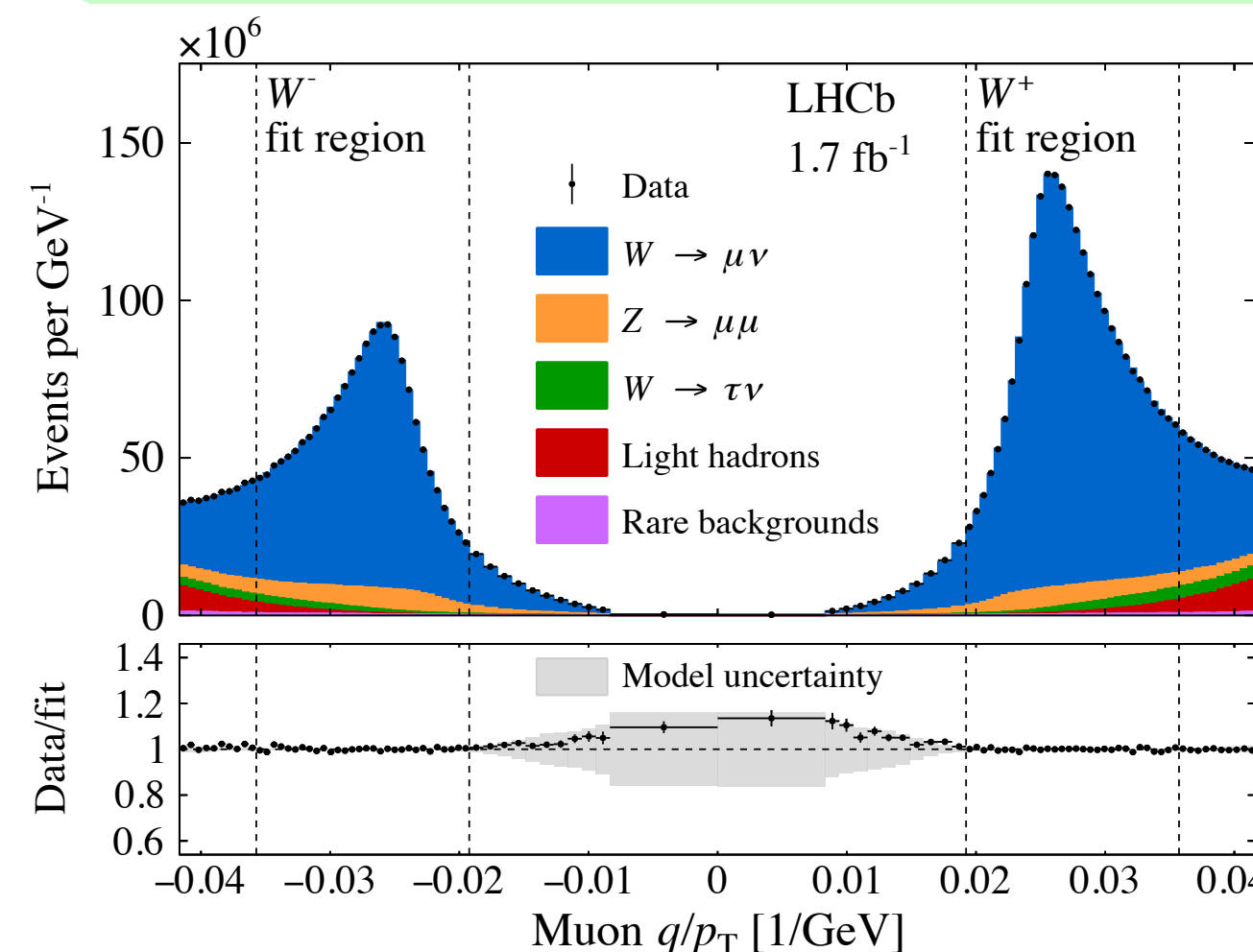


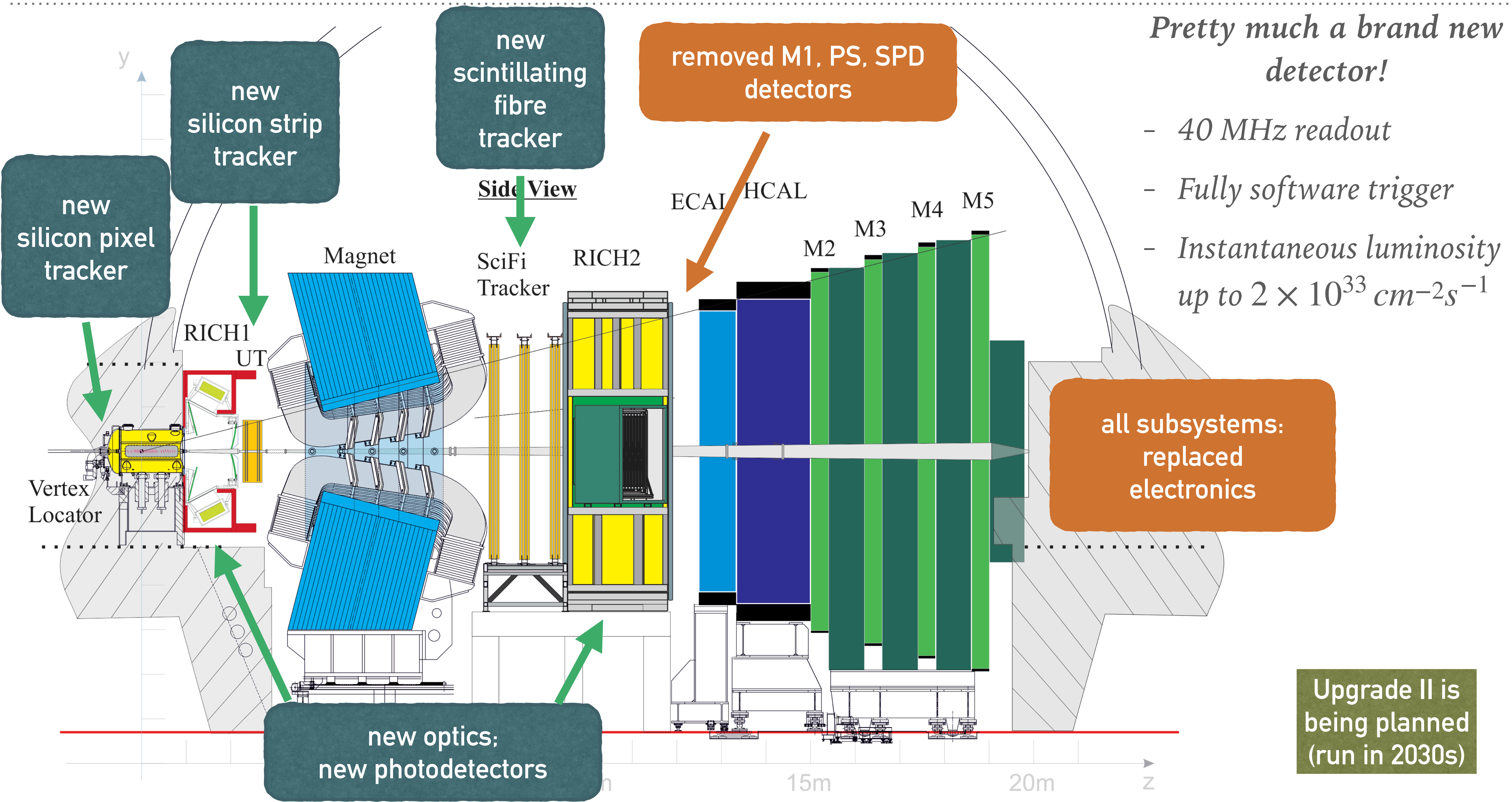
$$x = (0.400^{+0.052}_{-0.053}) \%$$

first observation of non-zero
mass difference of D^0 mass eigenstates



$B_s^0 \rightarrow K \mu \nu$: input to V_{ub} puzzle

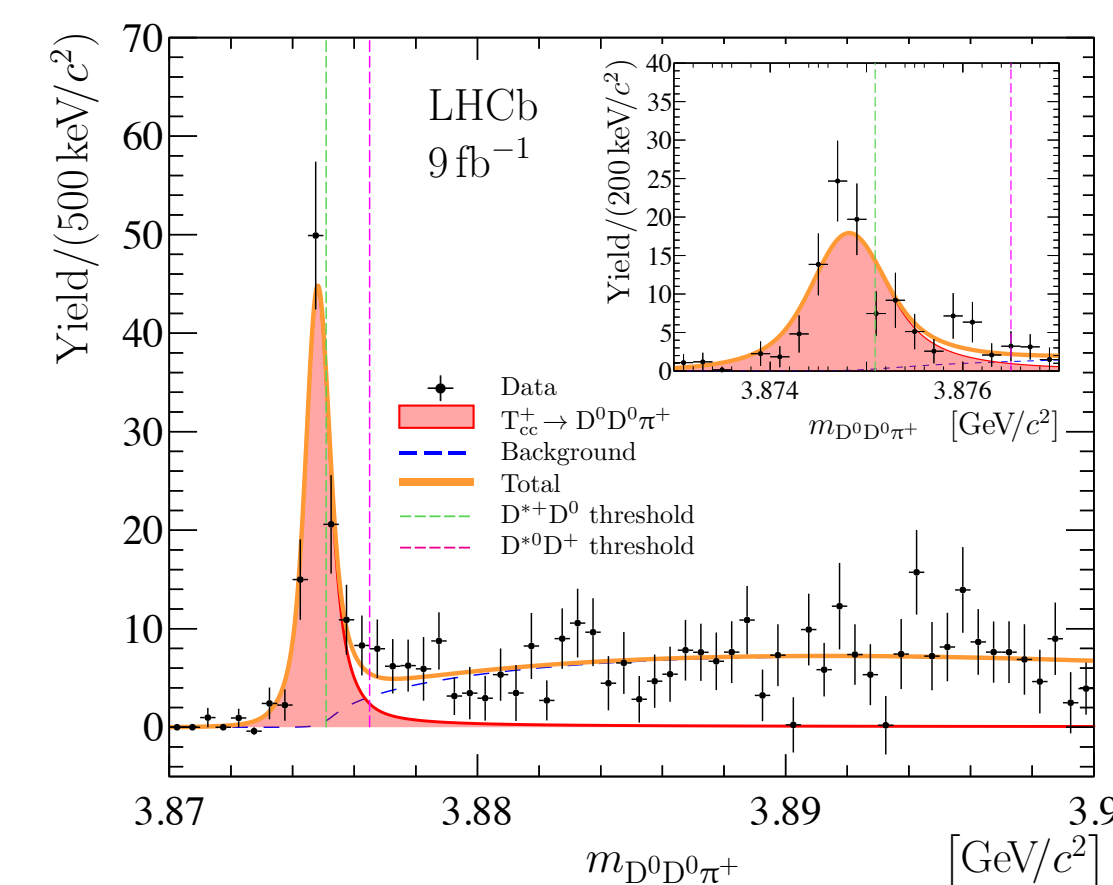




- With removal of the hardware trigger, we hope to get rid of the main bottleneck for final states without muons
 - The software trigger is much more flexible
 - We still need to make sure our new software trigger is not introducing any similar bottleneck :)
 - Even for final states with a dimuon, we can achieve better efficiency at low q^2 .
- Complete rewrite of the reconstruction software (incl. electrons)
- Keeping the PID performance at a similar level
 - dedicated work on improvements of muon ID
- The hope is to collect up to $\sim 50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ until the end of Run 4 -> $\sim 5\text{x}$ current dataset
 - The yields should hopefully scale better than 5x
 - But the backgrounds scale too – incl. pile-up
- For official projections on physics channels, check our [Physics case](#) for Upgrade II.

➤ Collecting harvest from our flavourful Run 1 + Run 2 datasets

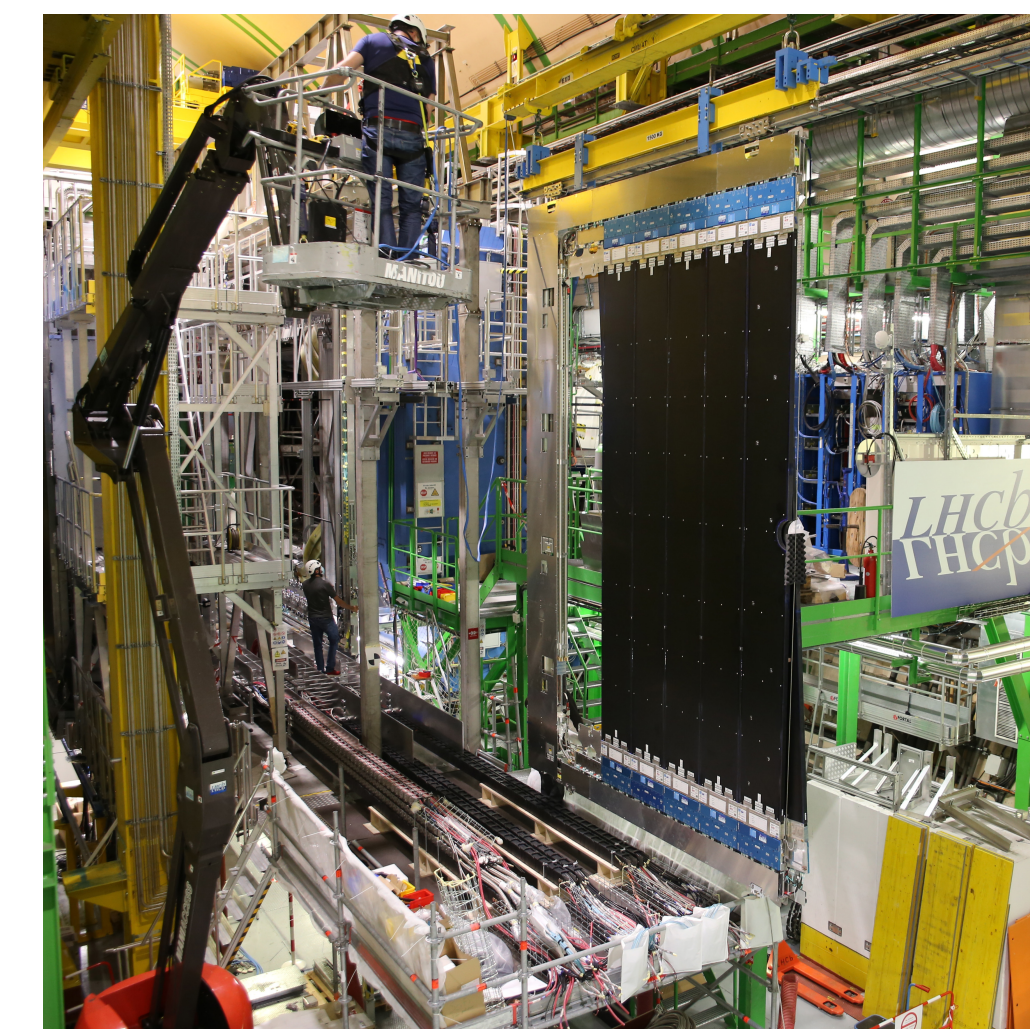
- Flavour anomalies keep intriguing us
 - LFU and angular observables in $b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$ processes
- Precision on the **UT angle γ** improved from $\sim 20^\circ$ to $\sim 4^\circ$ during the years of LHCb operation
- Important contributions to **hadron spectroscopy**



Charming tetraquark

➤ LHCb Upgrade I is in its crucial phase

- the detector is being assembled as we speak now



SciFi installation

➤ Mapping the future of flavour physics with our planned Upgrade II



Challenges with electrons

❖ Hardware trigger:

- ❖ efficient for final states **with muons** ($\sim 90\%$)
- ❖ a bottleneck for final states *without* muons
 - ❖ calorimeter has a high occupancy, tight thresholds
- ❖ final states **with electrons** can be triggered in several ways:

❖ Electrons emit a large amount of **bremsstrahlung** in interactions with the detector material

- ❖ If a photon is emitted *before the magnet*:
 - ❖ electron momentum measured *after* bremsstrahlung;
 - ❖ photon ends up in a *different* ECAL cell
- ❖ **dedicated procedure to search for these photons and correct the electron momenta**
- ❖ not a perfect correction, **affects the resolution**

