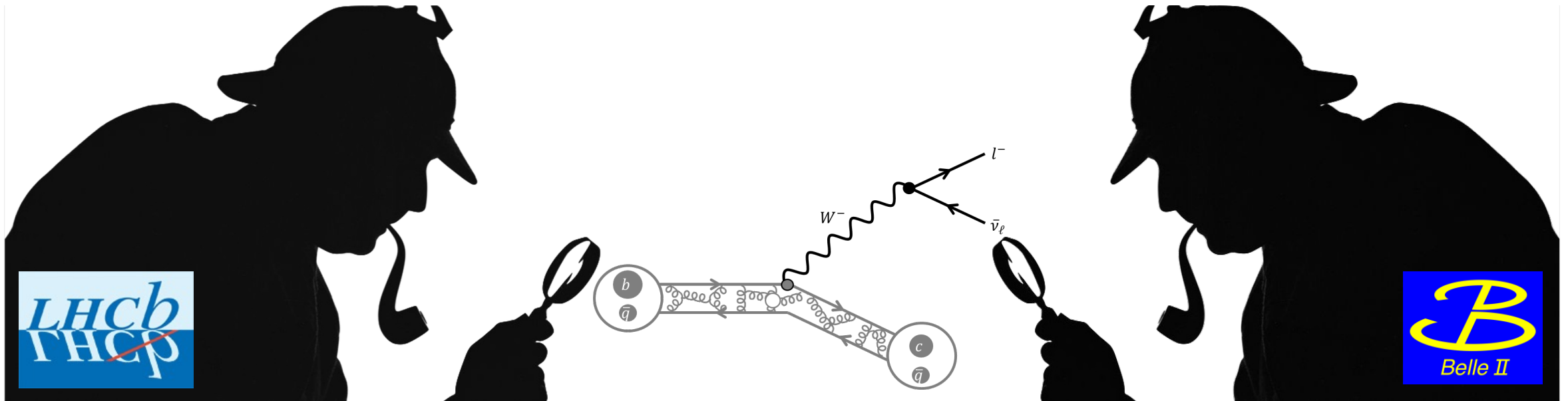


Status and prospects of RD(*) and related measurements

Beyond the flavour anomalies V

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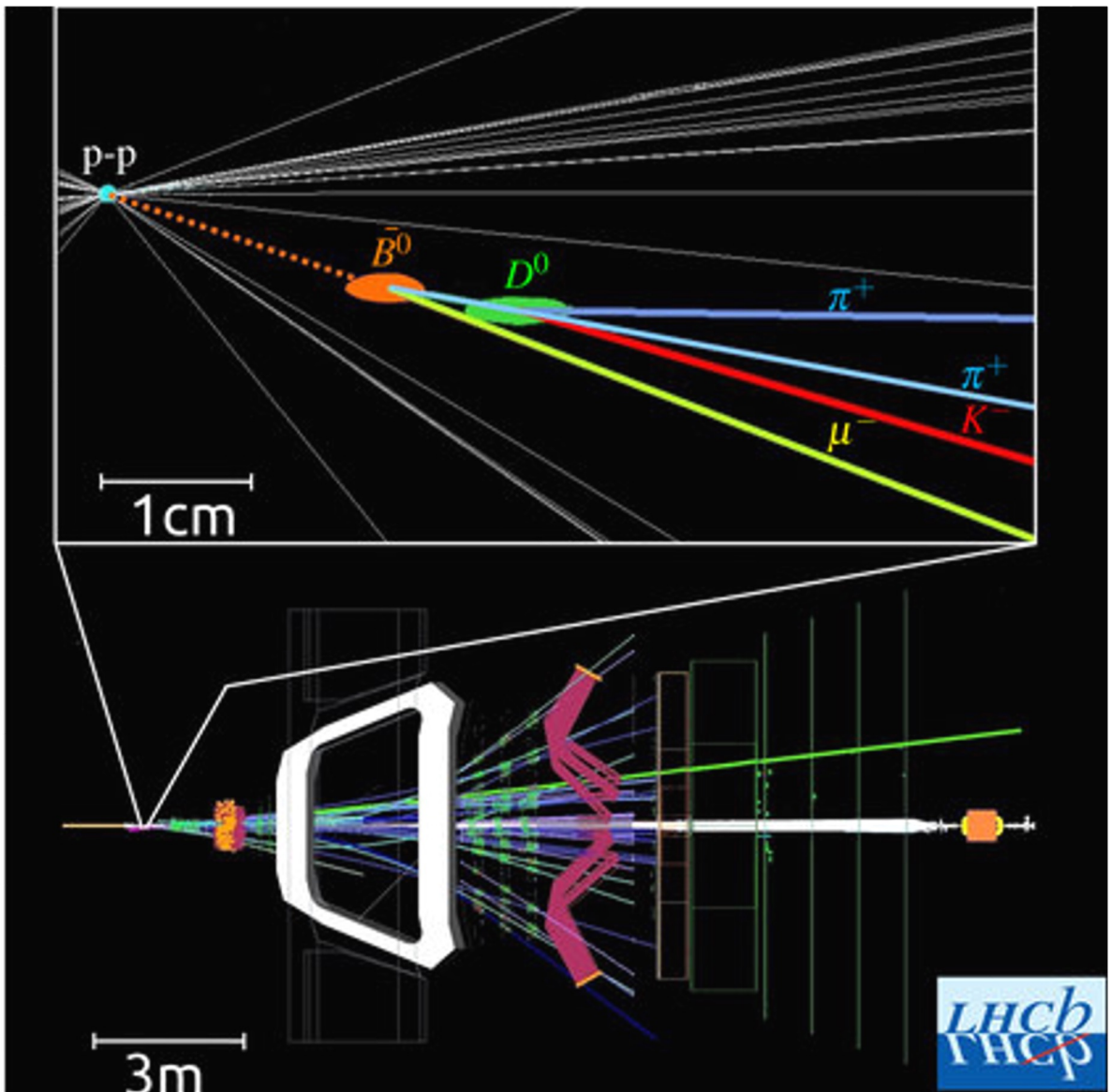
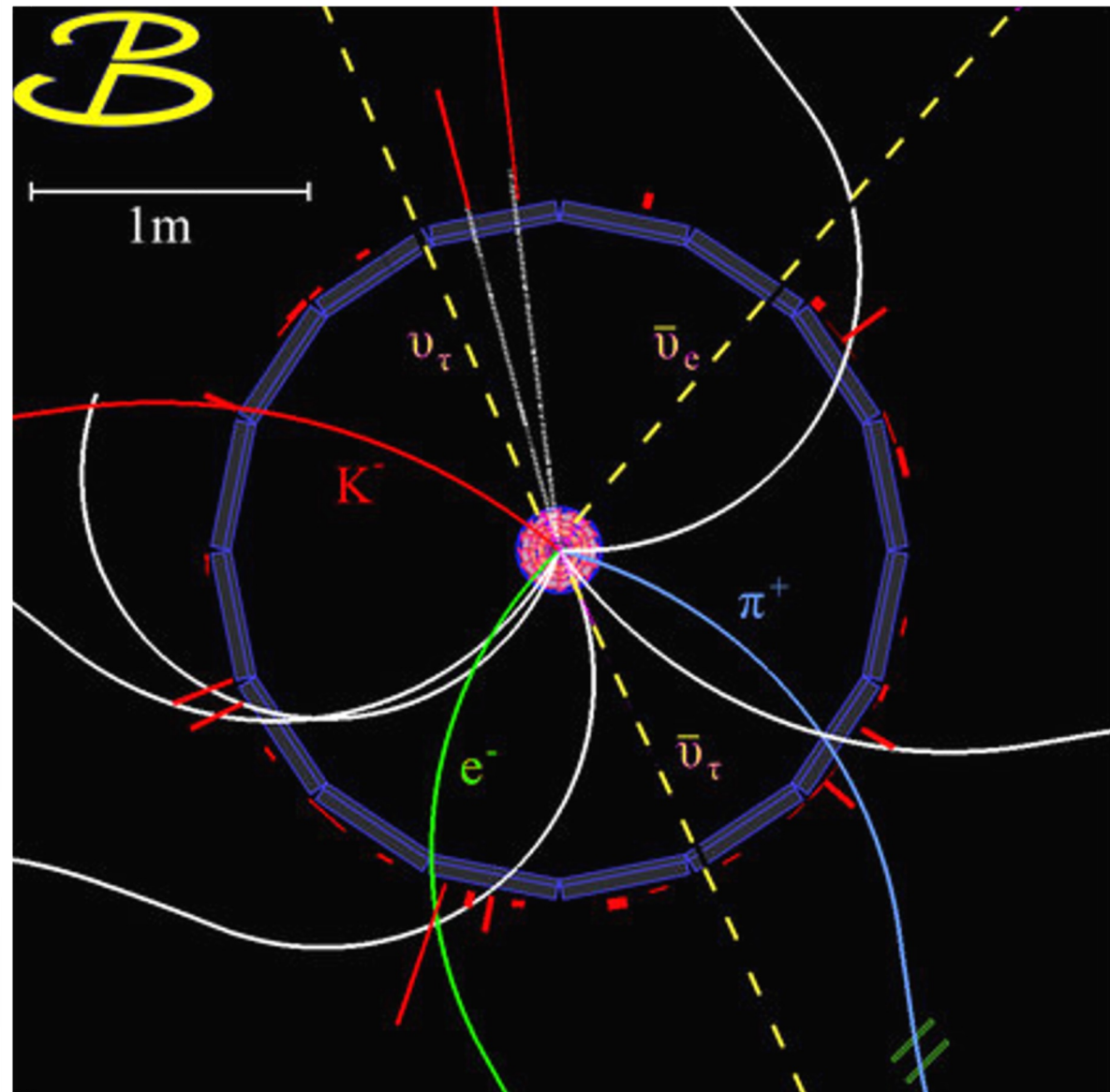
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Teaming up for the hunt



Belle II

LHCb

$R(D^{(*)})$	$R(X)$	$R(D^{(*)})$	$R(J/\Psi)$	$R(\Lambda_c)$	$R(D_s^{(*)})$
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SL Tag $\tau \rightarrow \ell$					
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The lepton flavor universality ratio in $b \rightarrow c \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$ transitions can be accessed through various observables

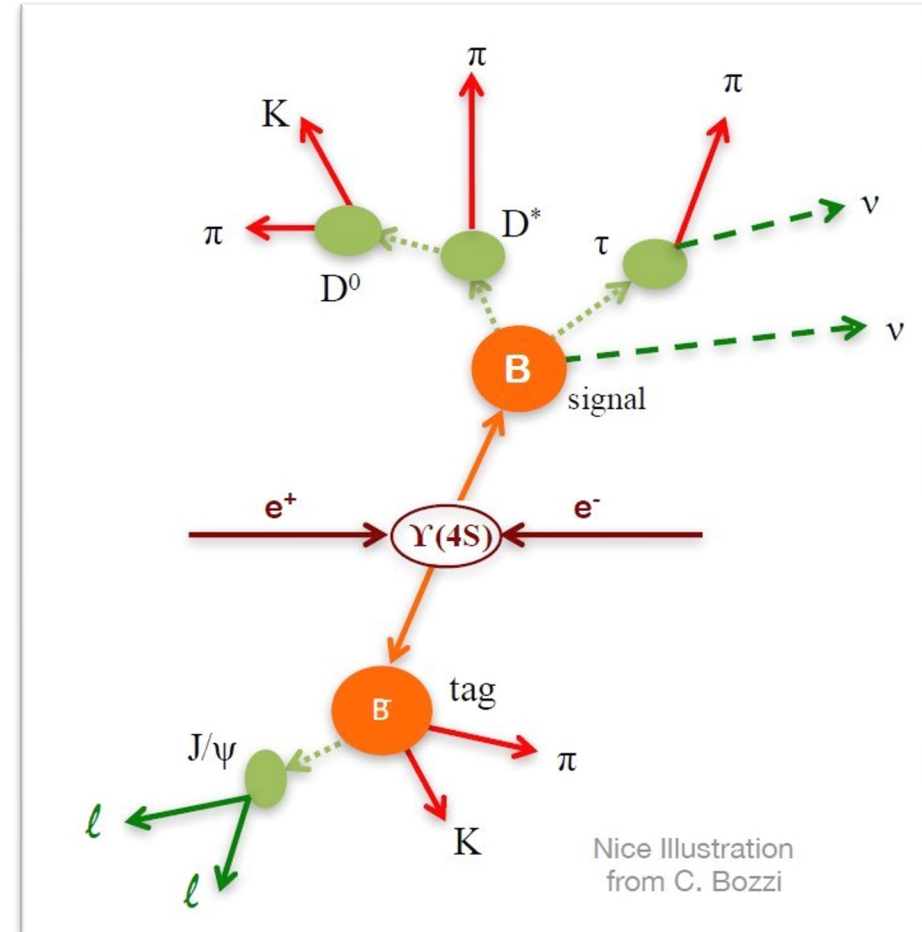
Let's start with the generic measurement ideas at Belle II and LHCb before going into analysis specifics

Food for thought: Combinations in global Wilson coefficient fits is something to be considered

Will highlight new $R(D^+)$ result presented by Julian at Moriond EW

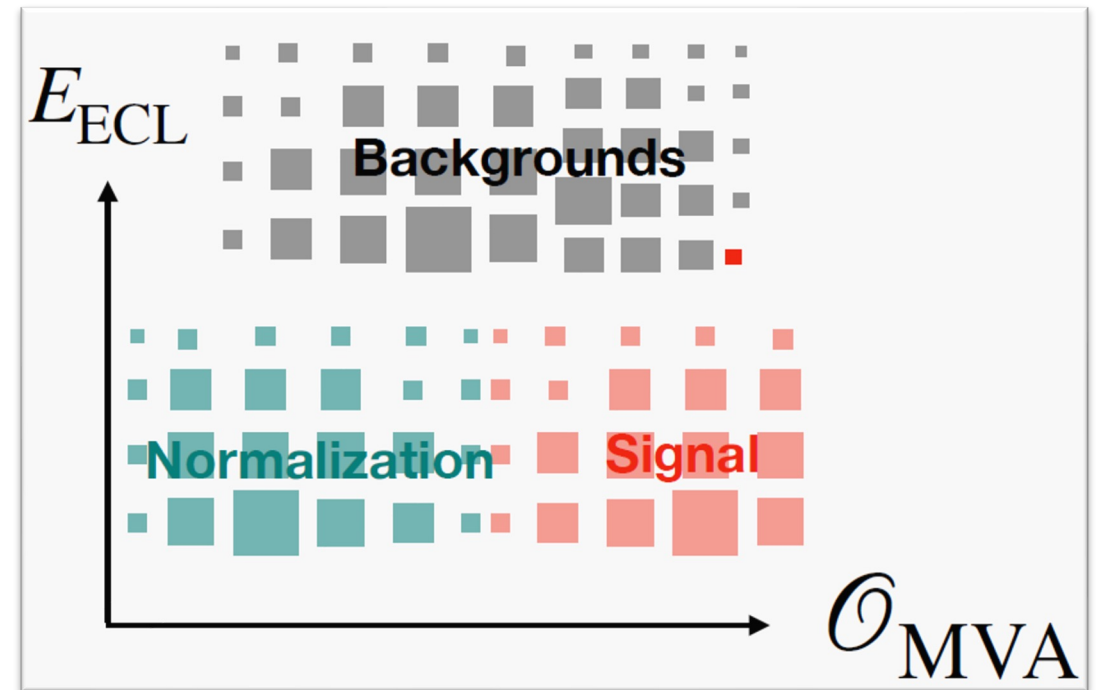
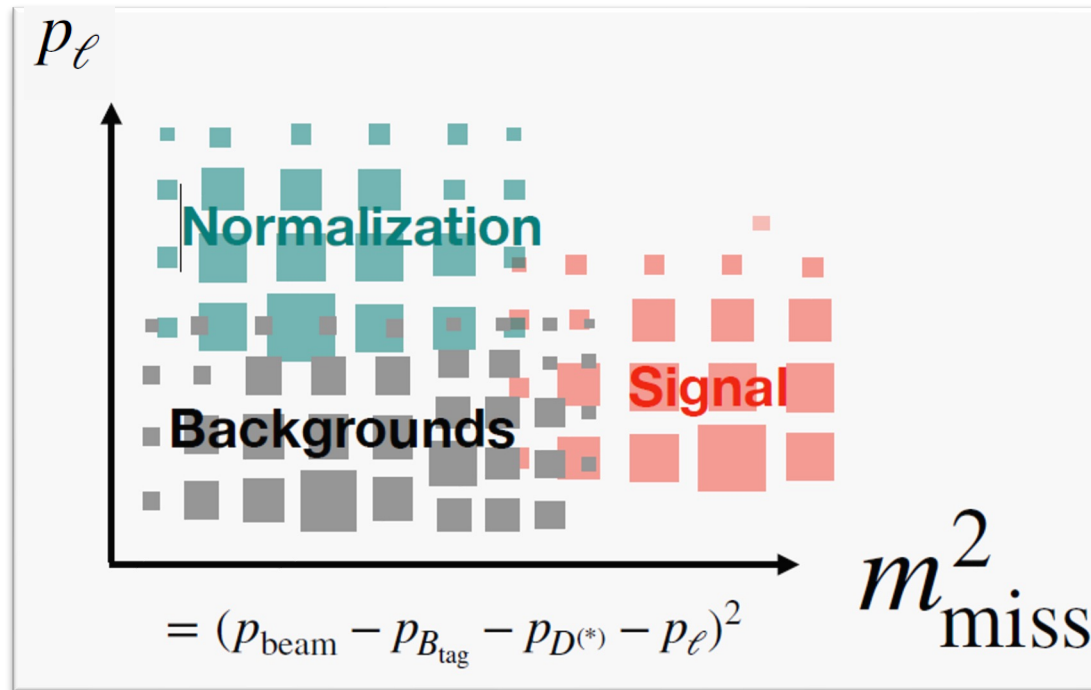
Semileptonic Decays at B-Factories

- e^+e^- -collision produces $\Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B\bar{B}$
- Fully reconstruct the tag-side B meson \rightarrow gives access to signal-side B meson kinematics
- Missing four-momentum (neutrino mass) can be reconstructed
- All measured particles are assigned (completeness)
- Caveat: Small efficiency of the tagging algorithms



Generic Strategy at B-Factories

- **3-class classification problem:** signal, normalization, background
- Normalization chosen to cancel systematics (same topology and/or final state)

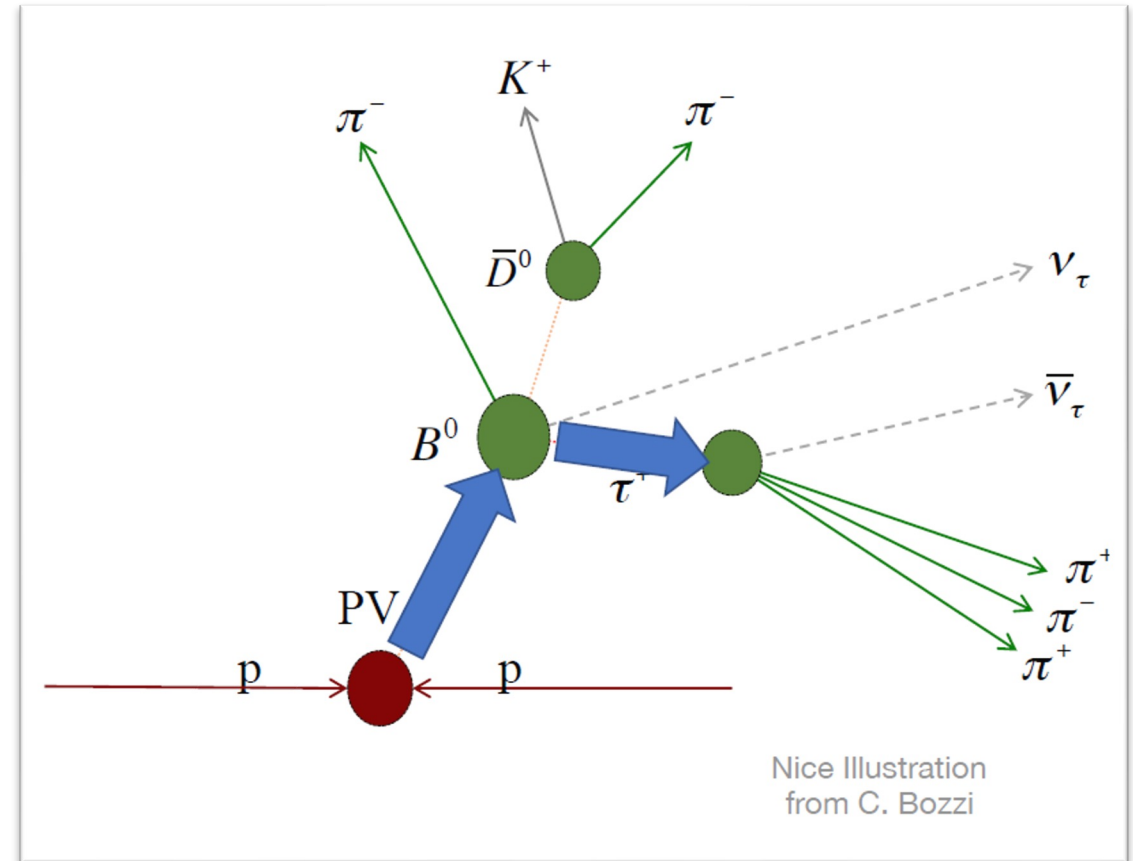


Leverage **fully known kinematics** and that **each reconstructed particle is assigned to a decay**

Nice illustration
by F. Bernlochner

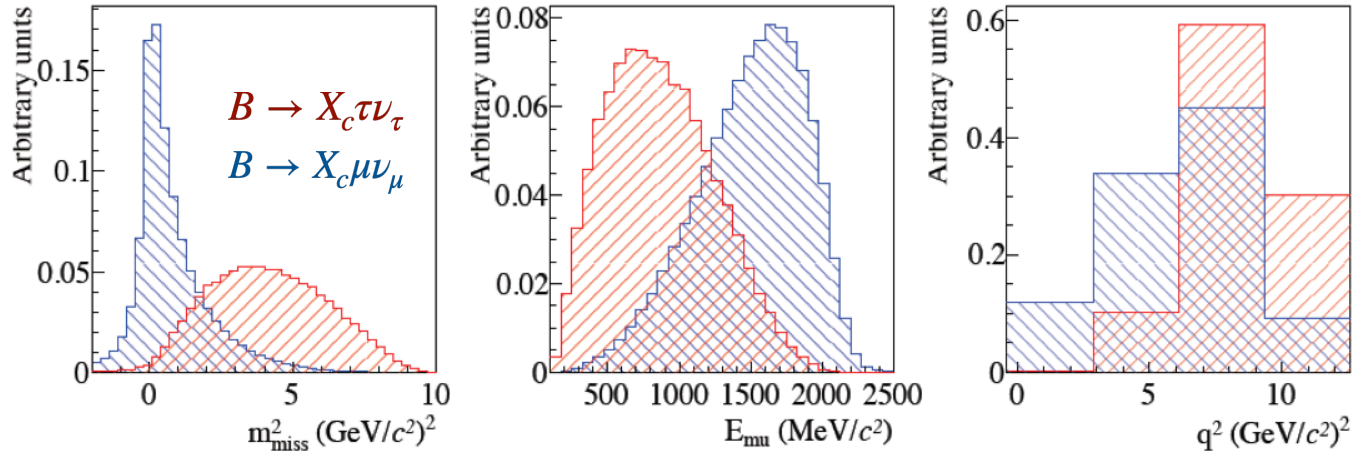
Semileptonic Decays at LHCb

- No constraint from beam energy, but large Lorentz boost resulting in mm decay lengths.
- Well separated vertices.
- Momentum direction of decaying particle is well known from vertices.
- Two τ decay modes analysed:
 - $\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu$: large yields low purity.
 - $\tau \rightarrow 3\pi\nu$: lower yields higher purity.

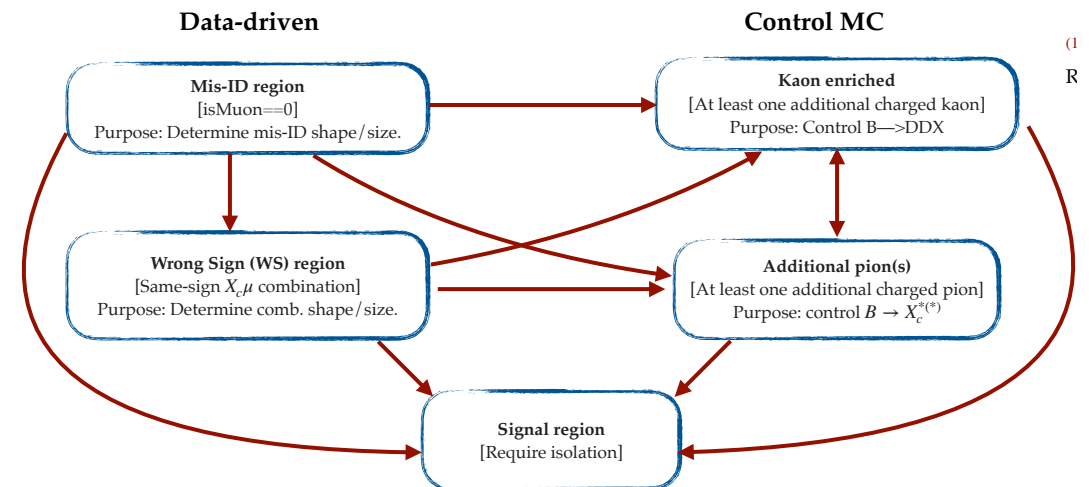


$\tau \rightarrow \mu$ strategy

- 3D fit in q^2 , m_{miss}^2 and E_{ℓ}^* .

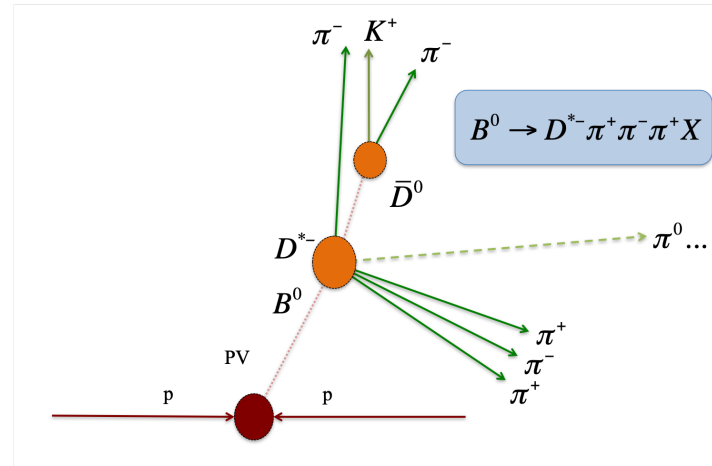
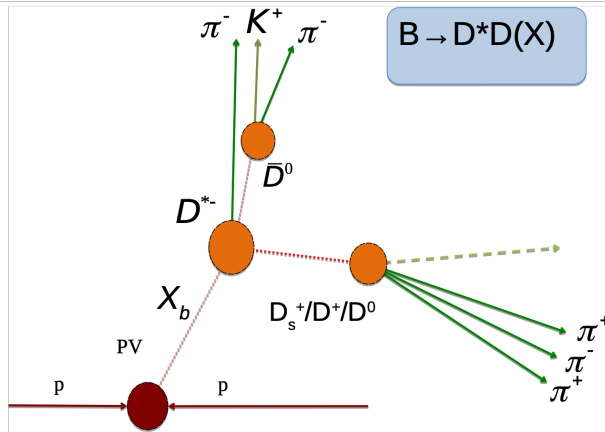


- Form factors floated in fit to data.
- Backgrounds rejected and controlled via track isolation.
- Special treatment of misID background.



$\tau \rightarrow 3\pi$ strategy

- 3D fit in q^2 τ decay time and BDT output.
- Key selection to reject $B \rightarrow D^* \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ X$ background.

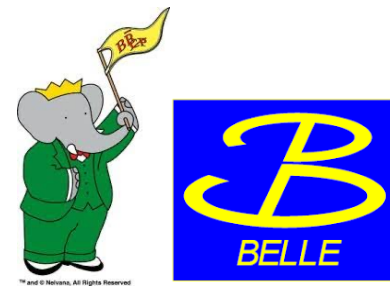


- No direct normalisation to semimuonic mode:

$$\mathcal{K}(D^*) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} 3\pi^\pm)} \quad R(D^*) = \mathcal{K}(D^*) \left\{ \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} 3\pi^\pm)}{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \mu^+ \nu_\mu)} \right\}$$

- Smaller yields but higher purity compared to leptonic mode.

A History of Measurements



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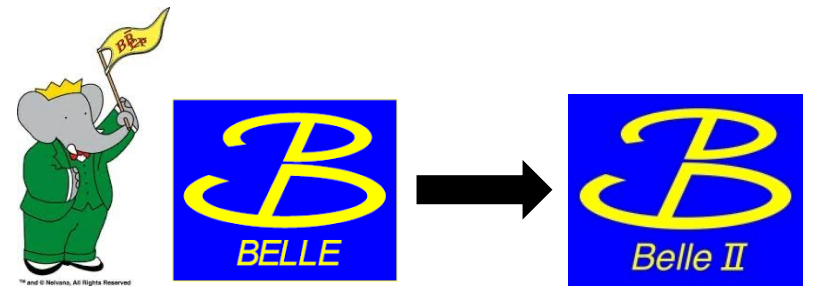
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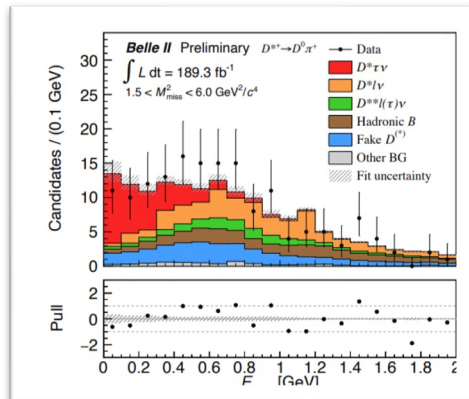
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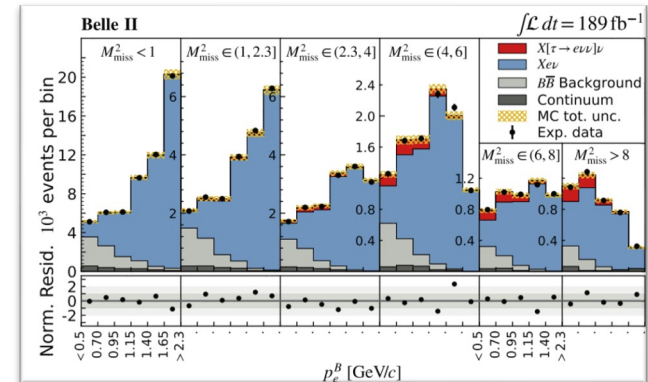
Had. Tag
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Belle II, arXiv:2401.02840
 $R(D^*) = 0.262 \pm_{0.039}^{0.041} \pm_{0.032}^{0.035}$



Had. Tag
 $\tau \rightarrow \ell$

Belle II, arXiv:2311.07248
 $R(X) = 0.228 \pm 0.016 \pm 0.036$



LHCb measurements



2015

$\tau \rightarrow \ell$

Phys. Rev. Lett. 115 (2015) 111803

$$R(D^*) = 0.336 \pm 0.027 \pm 0.030$$

Superseded by:



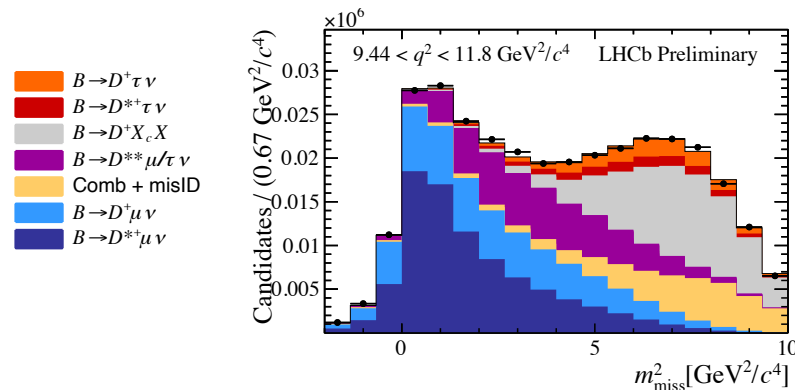
2023

$\tau \rightarrow \ell$

Phys. Rev. Lett. 131 (2023) 111802

$$R(D) = 0.281 \pm 0.018 \pm 0.024$$

$$R(D^*) = 0.441 \pm 0.060 \pm 0.066$$



2017

$\tau \rightarrow 3\pi$

Phys. Rev. Lett. 120, 171802

Phys. Rev. D 97, 072013

$$R(D^*) = 0.291 \pm 0.019 \pm 0.026 \pm 0.013$$

Combined with:

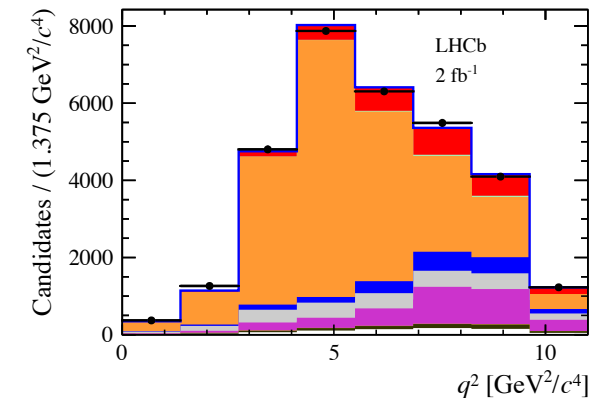


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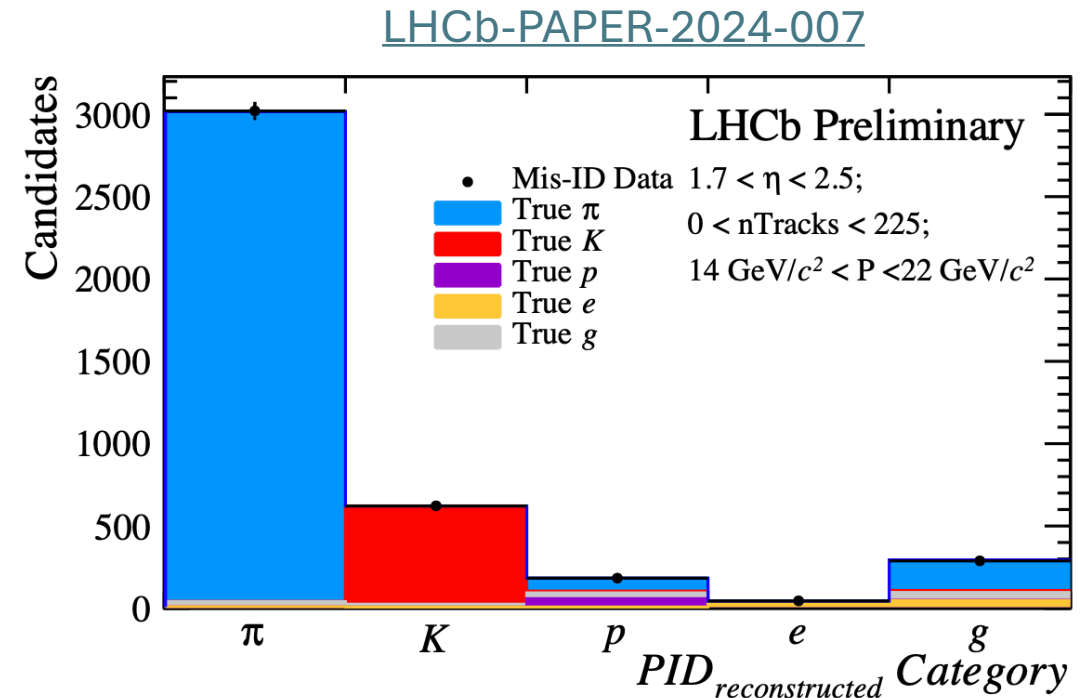
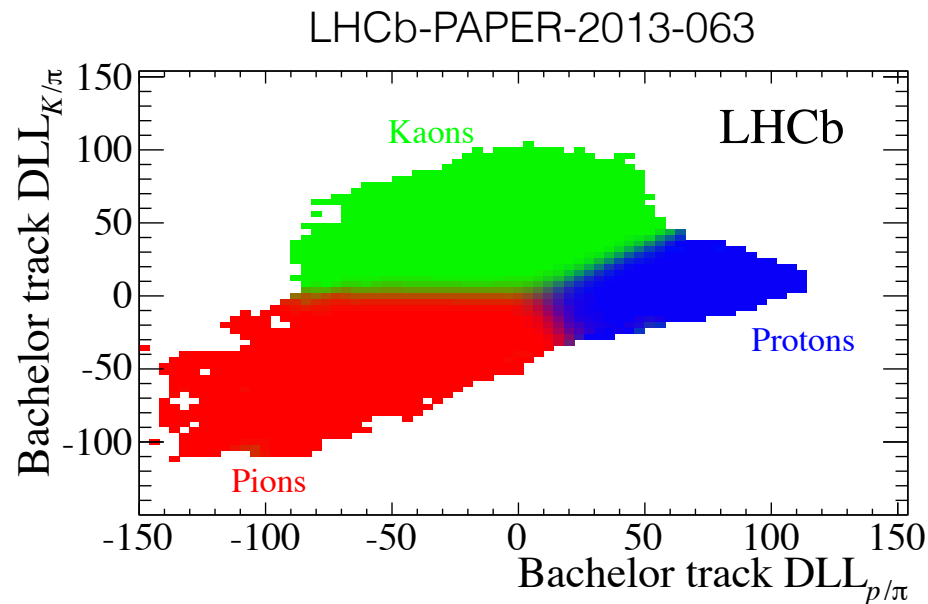
$$R(D^*) = 0.247 \pm 0.015 \pm 0.015 \pm 0.012$$



Challenges: Misidentified muons



- Background from $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}hX$ a serious challenge to control at LHCb.
- **Problem: Multiple sources which cannot be predicted or specifically measured.**
- **Solution: Reverse offline/trigger muon ID to select inclusive sample in data.**
- **Problem: Multiple different track types each with each $h \rightarrow \mu$ probabilities.**
- **Solution: Split sample into different track categories and fit them.**



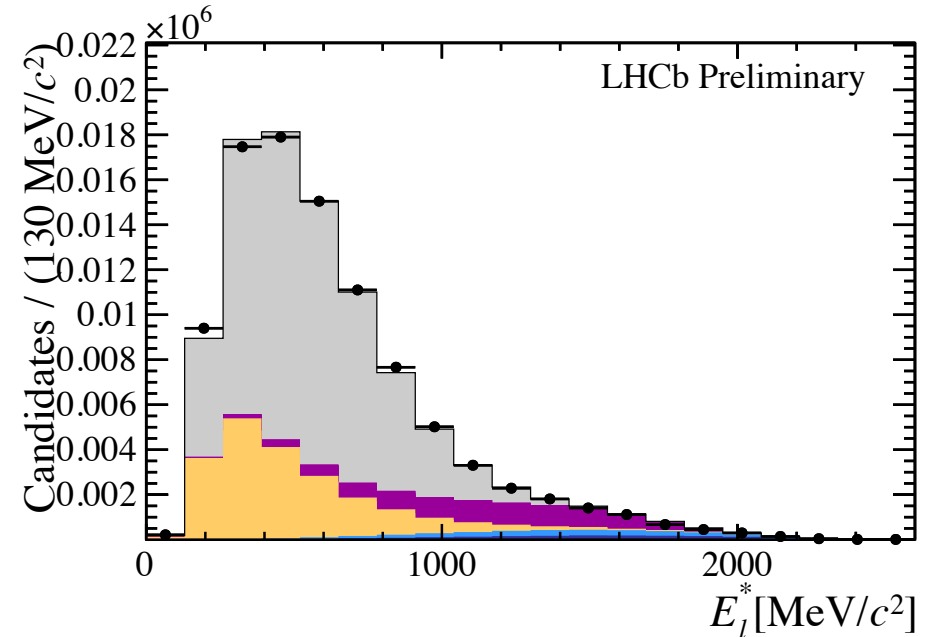
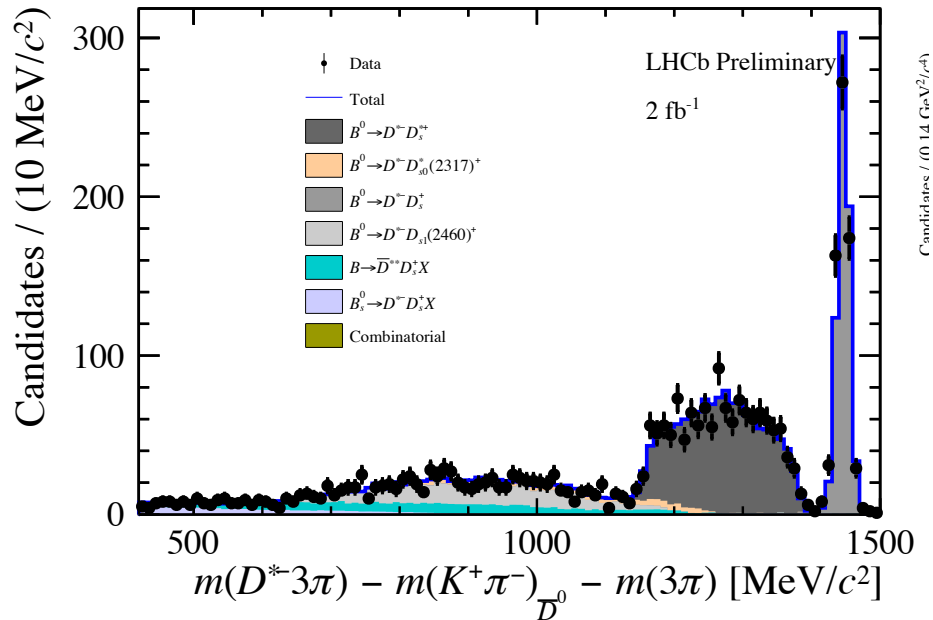
Challenges: $B \rightarrow DDX$ background



- Most signal like background originates from $B \rightarrow DDX$ decays.
 - Charm hadrons have similar lifetime and mass.

LHCb three-prong analysis: arXiv:[2311.05224](https://arxiv.org/abs/2311.05224)

$R(D^+)$ analysis: [LHCb-PAPER-2024-007](https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.12345)



- Allow for independent variation of this background in latest $R(D^+)$ analysis.
- Less of a problem at Belle II.

Challenges: Form Factors

Result	Experiment	τ decay	Tag	MC stats	Systematic uncertainty [%]				Total uncert. [%]		
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	Belle ^d	$\pi\nu, \rho\nu$	Had.	3.5	2.3	2.4	8.1	2.9	9.9	13.0	16.3
	LHCb ^e	$\pi\pi\pi(\pi^0)\nu$	—	4.9	4.0	2.7	5.4	4.8	10.2	6.5	12.0
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arXiv:2101.08326, Review of Modern Physics

$B \rightarrow D^{(*)}l\bar{\nu}_l$ form factors impact the efficiency determination

- Lots of progress from lattice community:

nonzero-recoil $B \rightarrow D^*$ form factors

Fermilab/MILC

arXiv:2105.14019

HPQCD

arXiv:2304.03137

JLQCD

arXiv:2306.05657

- Lots of progress from the experimental community:

new Belle & Belle II measurements of $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}l\bar{\nu}_l$

- differential distributions

Belle

arXiv:2301.07529, PRD

Belle II

arXiv:2310.01170, PRD

- angular coefficients

Belle

arXiv:2310.20286

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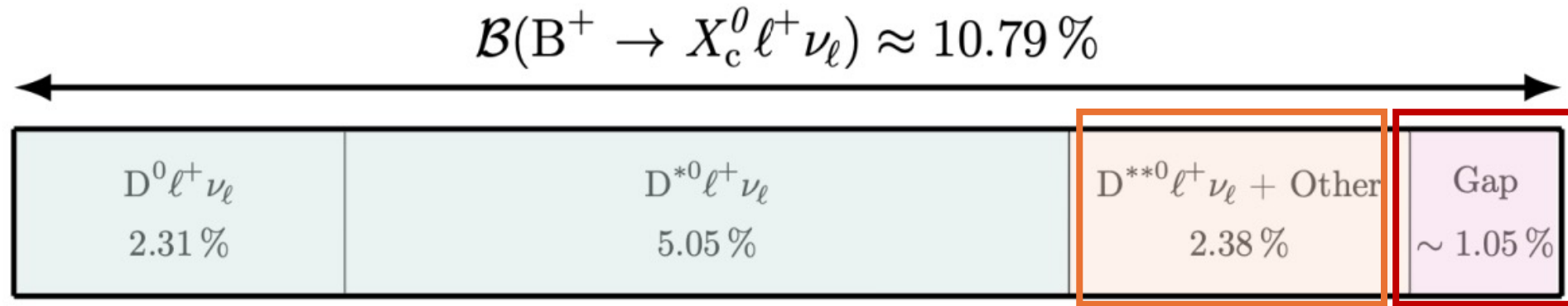
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Discrepancies in the measurements of $B \rightarrow D^{**} \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$

inclusive \neq sum of exclusive

- Tension in the available measurements
- Tension with theory prediction: $1/2 \leftrightarrow 3/2$ puzzle
- The nature of the D^{**} states is unclear



- These poorly understood components lead to a sizeable systematic effect in the experimental measurements
- Common for Belle II & LHCb

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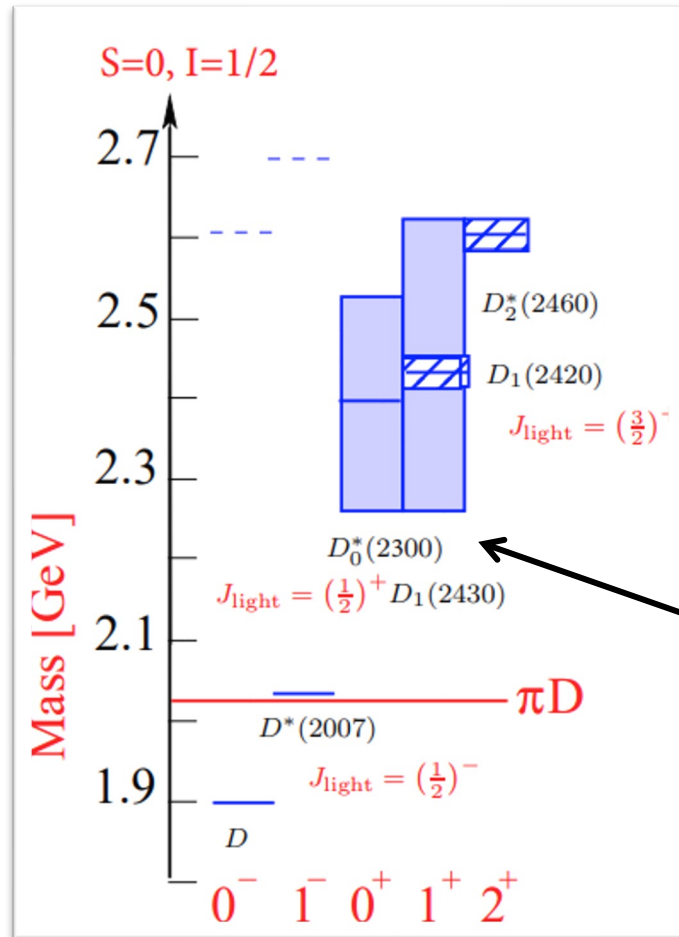
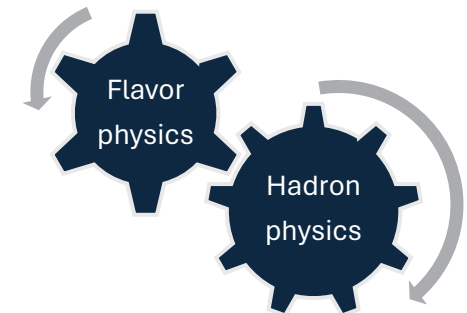
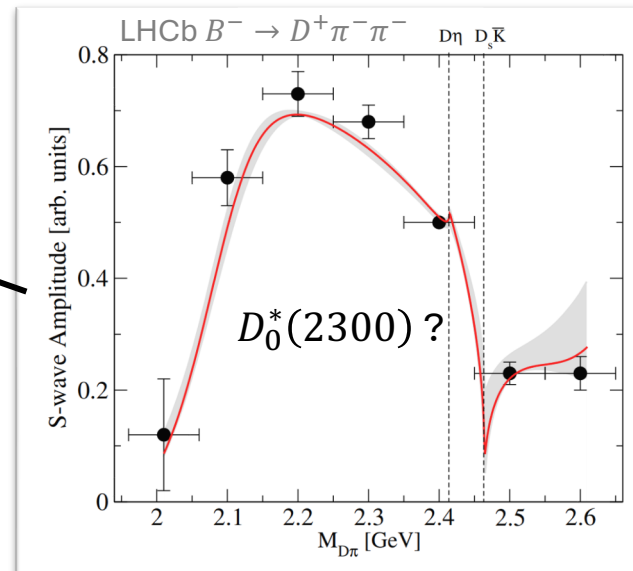


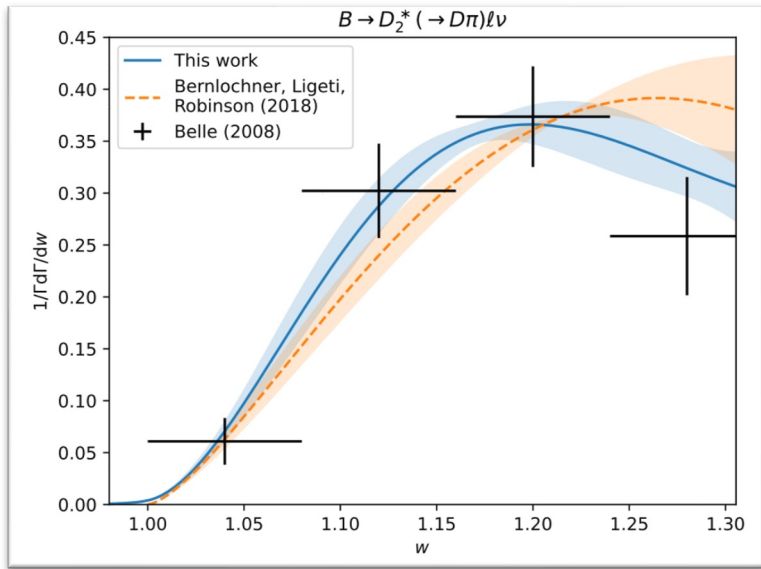
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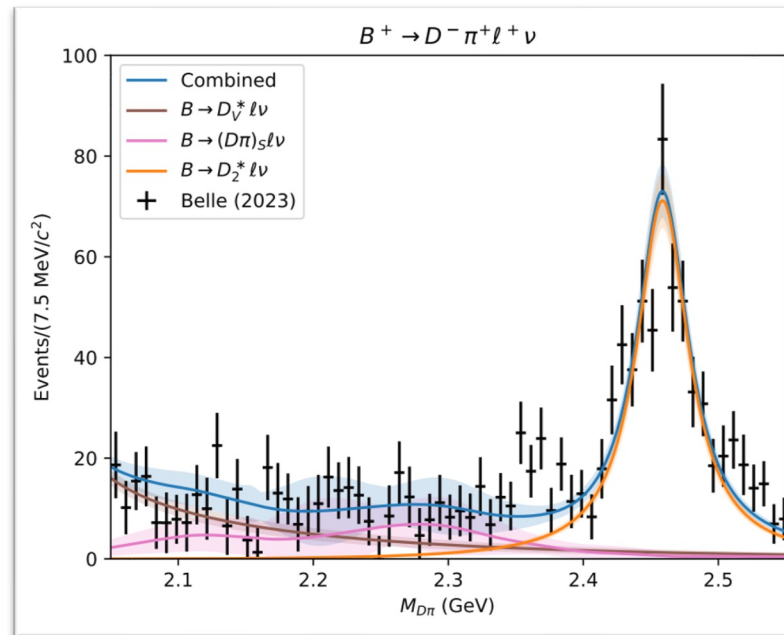
Inputs from hadron physics
(theory and experiment) will
drive us forward

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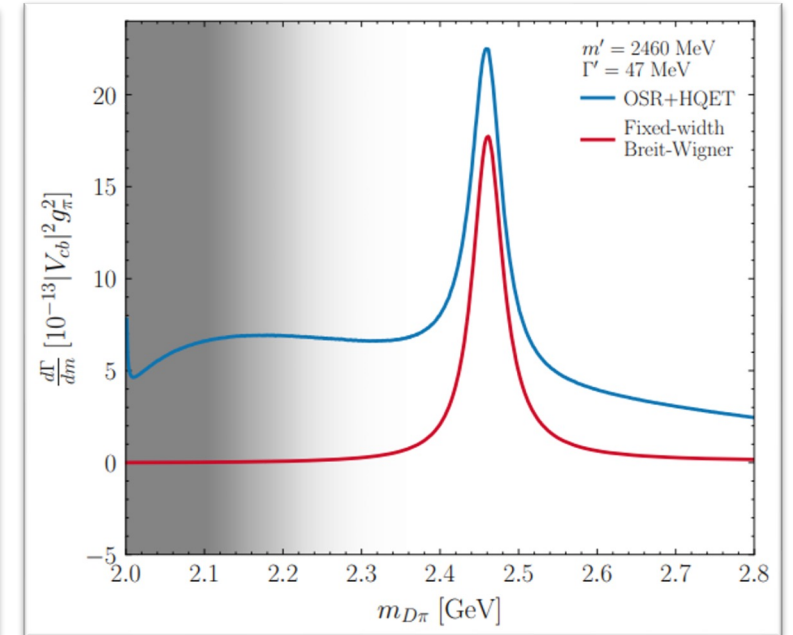


- Modelling of $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{**} \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$ decays in simulation depends on proper knowledge of form factors
- Background estimation challenging
- Active progress from our theory colleagues



BGL generalization

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arXiv:2311.00864



On-shell recursion + HQET

C. A. Manzari, D. J. Robinson
arXiv:2402.12460

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Result	Experiment	τ decay	Tag	MC stats	Systematic uncertainty [%]				Total uncert. [%]		
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$\mathcal{R}(D)$	BABAR ^a	$l\nu\nu$	Had.	5.7	2.5	5.8	3.9	0.9	9.6	13.1	16.2
	Belle ^b	$l\nu\nu$	Semil.	4.4	0.7	0.8	1.7	3.4	5.2	12.1	13.1
	Belle ^c	$l\nu\nu$	Had.	4.4	3.3	4.4	0.7	0.5	7.1	17.1	18.5
$\mathcal{R}(D^*)$	BABAR ^a	$l\nu\nu$	Had.	2.8	1.0	3.7	2.3	0.9	5.6	7.1	9.0
	Belle ^b	$l\nu\nu$	Semil.	2.3	0.3	1.4	0.5	4.7	4.9	6.4	8.1
	Belle ^c	$l\nu\nu$	Had.	3.6	1.3	3.4	0.7	0.5	5.2	13.0	14.0
	Belle ^d	$\pi\nu, \rho\nu$	Had.	3.5	2.3	2.4	8.1	2.9	9.9	13.0	16.3
	LHCb ^e	$\pi\pi\pi(\pi^0)\nu$	—	4.9	4.0	2.7	5.4	4.8	10.2	6.5	12.0
LHCb ^f	$\mu\nu\nu$	—	6.3	2.2	2.1	5.1	2.0	8.9	8.0	12.0	

^a (Lees *et al.*, 2012, 2013)

^b (Caria *et al.*, 2020) ^c (Huschle *et al.*, 2015) ^d (Hirose *et al.*, 2018) ^e (Aaij *et al.*, 2015c) ^f (Aaij *et al.*, 2018b)

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arXiv:2101.08326, Review of Modern Physics

MC statistics is often the leading systematic uncertainty, needed for:

- Fit templates
- Efficiency determination
- Training of MVA classifiers

“trivial but costly” to improve

Source	Uncertainty
PDF shapes	+9.1% -8.3%
Simulation sample size	+7.5% -7.5%
$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{**}\ell^-\bar{\nu}_\ell$ branching fractions	+4.8% -3.5%
Fixed backgrounds	+2.7% -2.3%
Hadronic B decay branching fractions	+2.1% -2.1%
Reconstruction efficiency	+2.0% -2.0%
Kernel density estimation	+2.0% -0.8%
Form factors	+0.5% -0.1%
Peaking background in ΔM_{D^*}	+0.4% -0.4%
$\tau^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_\ell$ branching fractions	+0.2% -0.2%
$R(D^*)$ fit method	+0.1% -0.1%
Total systematic uncertainty	+13.5% -12.3%

Belle II $R(D^*)$
arXiv:2401.02840

Source	Uncertainty [%]		
	e	μ	ℓ
Experimental sample size	8.8	12.0	7.1
Simulation sample size	6.7	10.6	5.7
Tracking efficiency	2.9	3.3	3.0
Lepton identification	2.8	5.2	2.4
$X_\ell l\nu M_X$ shape	7.3	6.8	7.1
Background (p_ℓ, M_X) shape	5.8	11.5	5.7
$X\ell\nu$ branching fractions	7.0	10.0	7.7
$X\tau\nu$ branching fractions	1.0	1.0	1.0
$X_c\tau(\ell)\nu$ form factors	7.4	8.9	7.8
Total	18.1	25.6	17.3

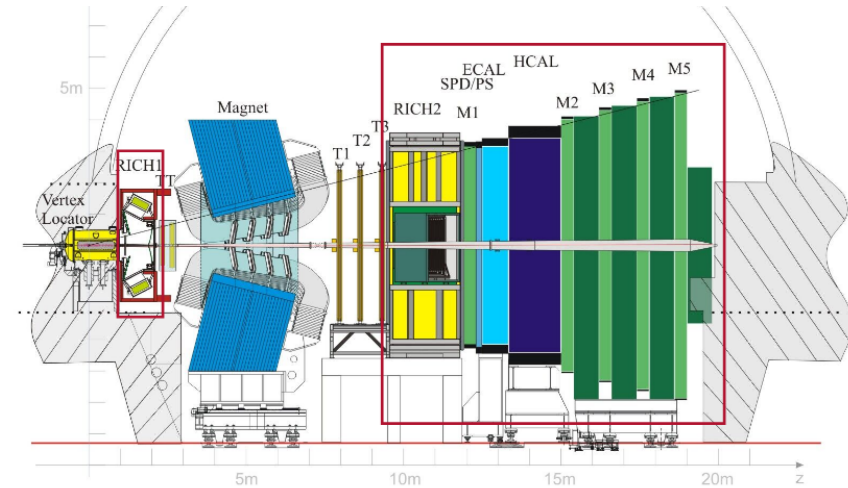
Belle II $R(X)$
arXiv:2311.07248

LHCb $R(D^+)$ LHCb-PAPER-2024-007

Source	$\mathcal{R}(D^+)$	$\mathcal{R}(D^{*+})$
Form factors	0.023	0.035
$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{**}[D^+X]\mu/\tau\nu$ fractions	0.024	0.025
$\bar{B}^{+0} \rightarrow D^+X_cX$ fraction	0.020	0.034
Misidentification	0.019	0.012
Simulation size	0.009	0.030
Combinatorial background	0.005	0.020
Data/simulation agreement	0.016	0.011
Muon identification	0.008	0.027
Multiple candidates	0.007	0.017
Total systematic uncertainty	0.047	0.086

Tracker-only simulation

- New fast simulation technique which turns off RICH photon propagation and Calo showers.
 - Eight times faster and 40% less disk space.
 - Requires involved set of emulations to obtain trigger/PID response.
- Finite simulation size demoted from first to fifth largest systematic.



$R(D^0)$

Internal fit uncertainties	$\sigma_{R(D^*)} (\times 10^{-2})$	$\sigma_{R(D^0)} (\times 10^{-2})$	Correlation
Statistical uncertainty	1.8	6.0	-0.49
Simulated sample size	1.5	4.5	
$B \rightarrow D^{(*)}DX$ template shape	0.8	3.2	
$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)}\ell^-\bar{\nu}_\ell$ form factors	0.7	2.1	
$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{**}\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu$ form factors	0.8	1.2	
$B [\bar{B} \rightarrow D^*D_s^-(\rightarrow \tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau)X]$	0.3	1.2	
MisID template	0.1	0.8	
$B (\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{**}\tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau)$	0.5	0.5	
Combinatorial	< 0.1	0.1	
Resolution	< 0.1	0.1	

$R(D^+)$

Source	$\mathcal{R}(D^+)$	$\mathcal{R}(D^{*+})$
Form factors	0.023	0.035
$\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{**}[D^+X]\mu/\tau\nu$ fractions	0.024	0.025
$\bar{B}^{+0} \rightarrow D^+X_cX$ fraction	0.020	0.034
Misidentification	0.019	0.012
Simulation size	0.009	0.030
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- Different fast simulation to that used for three-prong mode ([ReDecay](#)).

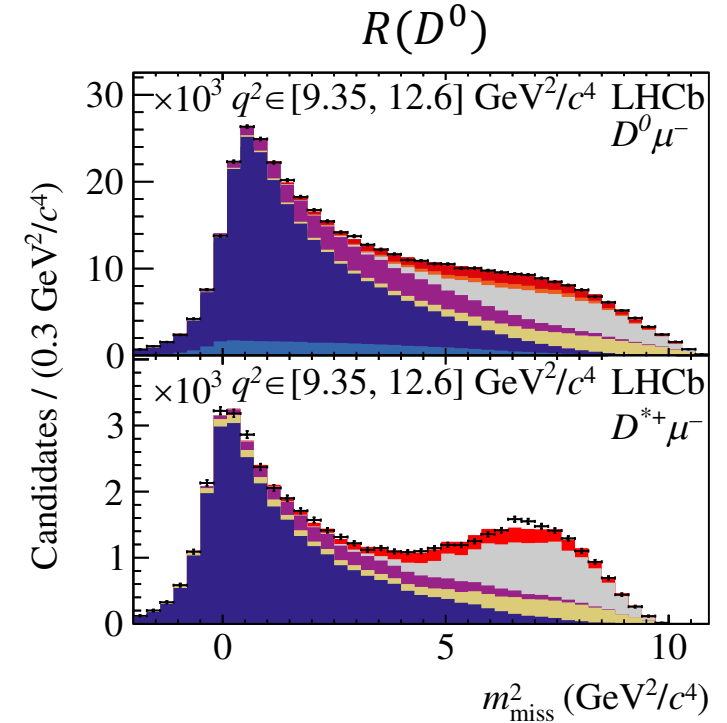
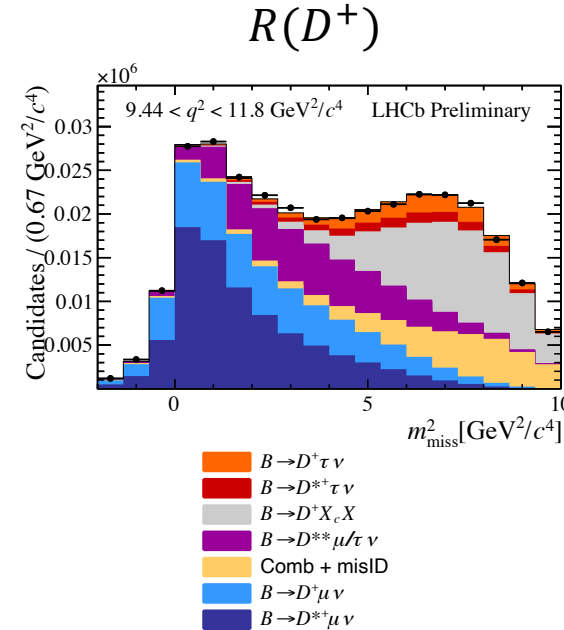
Latest RD+ measurement from LHCb

- New measurement of $R(D^*)$ with the $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ decay.
- Largely follows the $R(D^0)$ analysis, with a few exceptions:
 - Six times less feed-down from D^* decays.
 - Neutral isolation to reduce $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^+ \pi^0$ feed-down.
 - More conservative $B \rightarrow DDX$ treatment.
 - New fast “tracker-only” simulation used.
 - Using HAMMER in the minimisation procedure.

- Results:

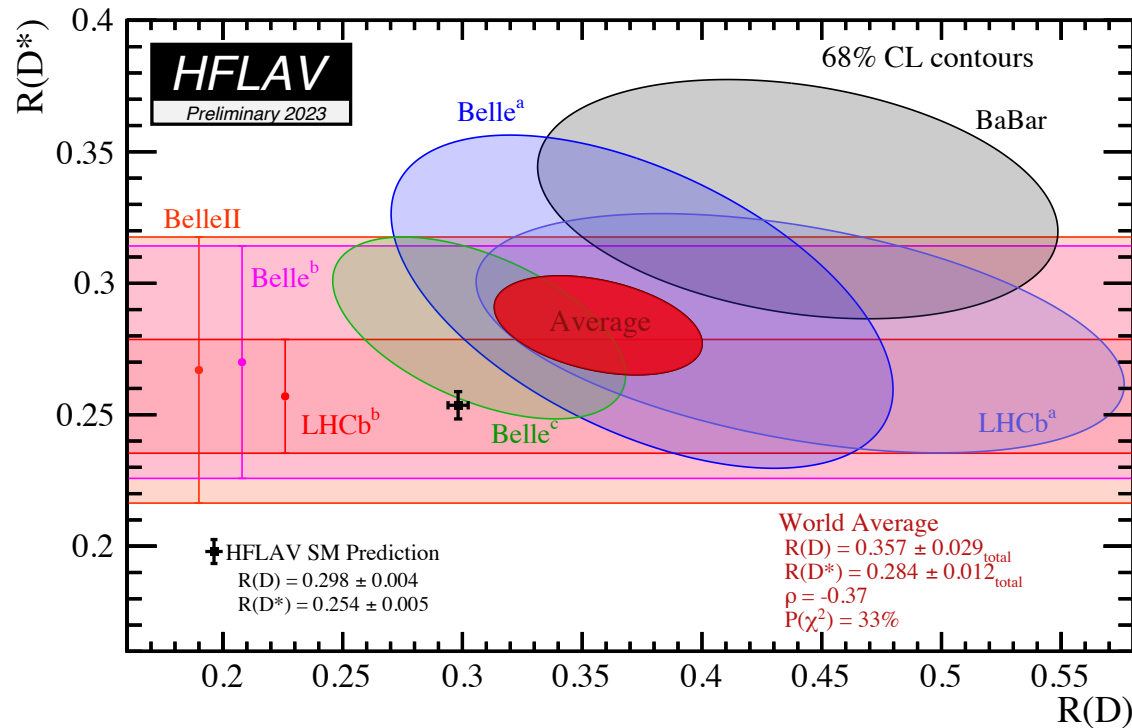
$$R(D^+) = 0.249 \pm 0.043 \pm 0.047$$

$$R(D^{*+}) = 0.402 \pm 0.081 \pm 0.085$$

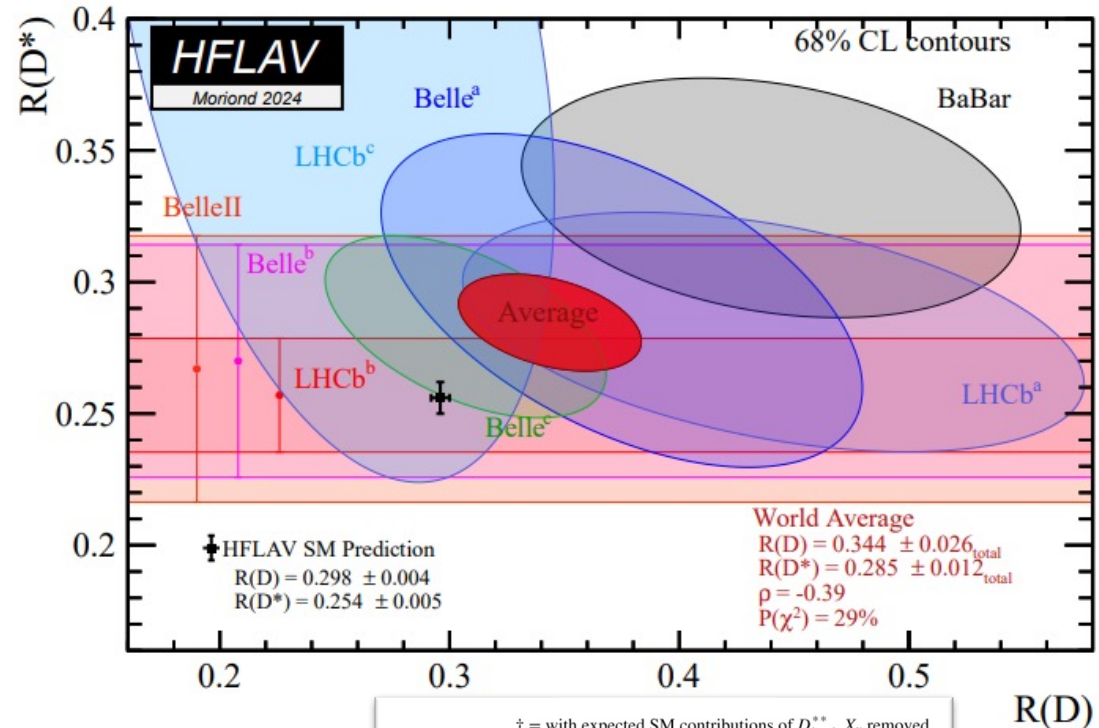


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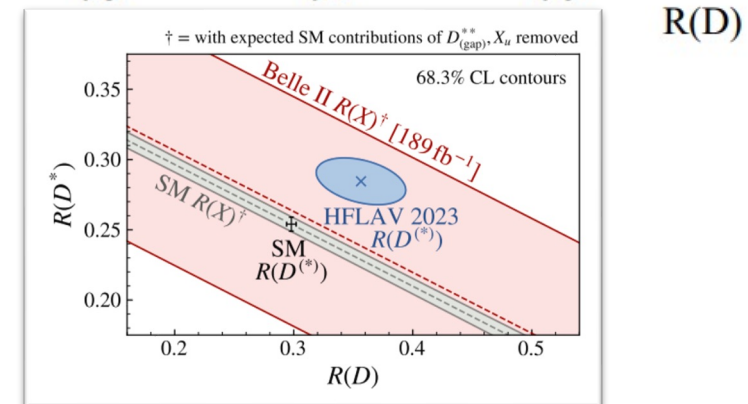
[HFLAV] Before $R(D^+)$



After $R(D^+)$



- Significance from SM goes from 3.3σ to 3.1σ .
- $R(X)$ shows no tension

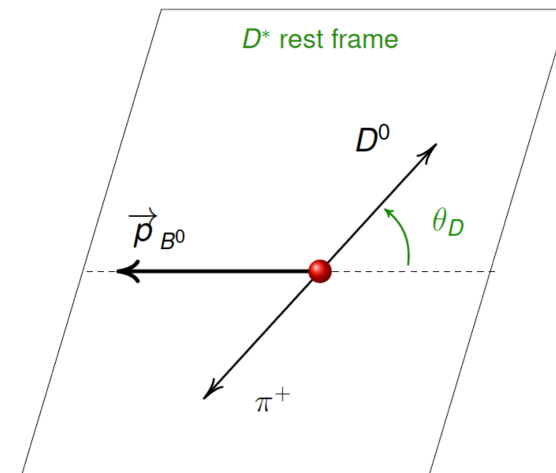


Beyond R ratios: $F_L^{D^*}$ at LHCb

- Recent measurement of $F_L^{D^*}$ at LHCb.


$$\frac{d^2\Gamma}{dq^2 d\cos\theta_D} = \mathbf{a}_{\theta_D}(q^2) + \mathbf{c}_{\theta_D}(q^2) \cos^2\theta_D$$

$$F_L^{D^*} = \frac{\mathbf{a}_{\theta_D}(q^2) + \mathbf{c}_{\theta_D}(q^2)}{3\mathbf{a}_{\theta_D}(q^2) + \mathbf{c}_{\theta_D}(q^2)}$$



unpolarised signal fraction

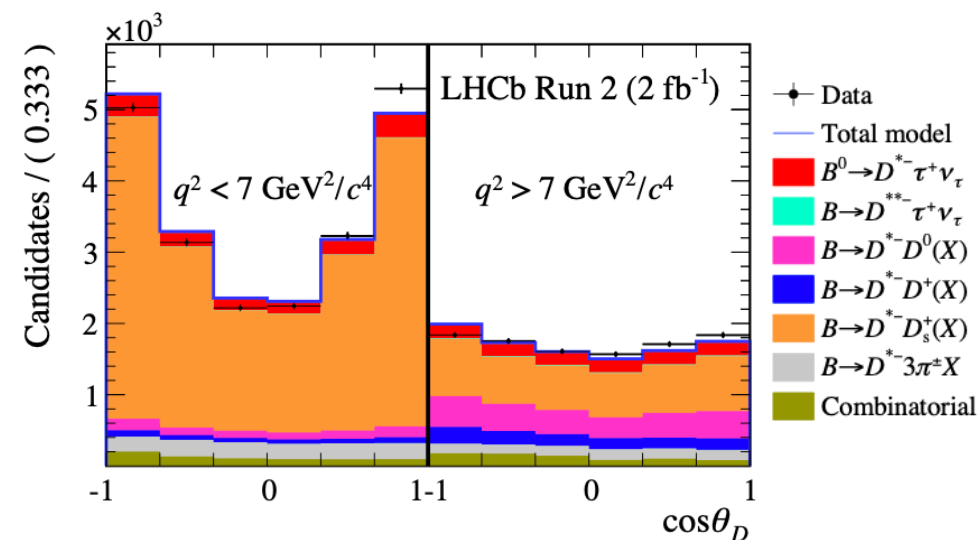
polarised signal fraction

 $F_L^{D^*} = 0.60 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.04$ [[arXiv:1903.03102](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.03102)]

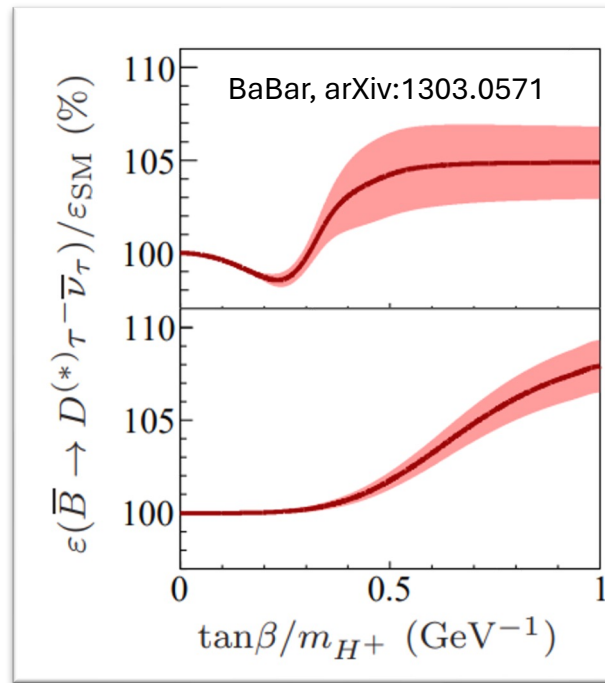
$$F_L^{D^*} = 0.43 \pm 0.06 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (syst)}$$

- Compatible with SM:

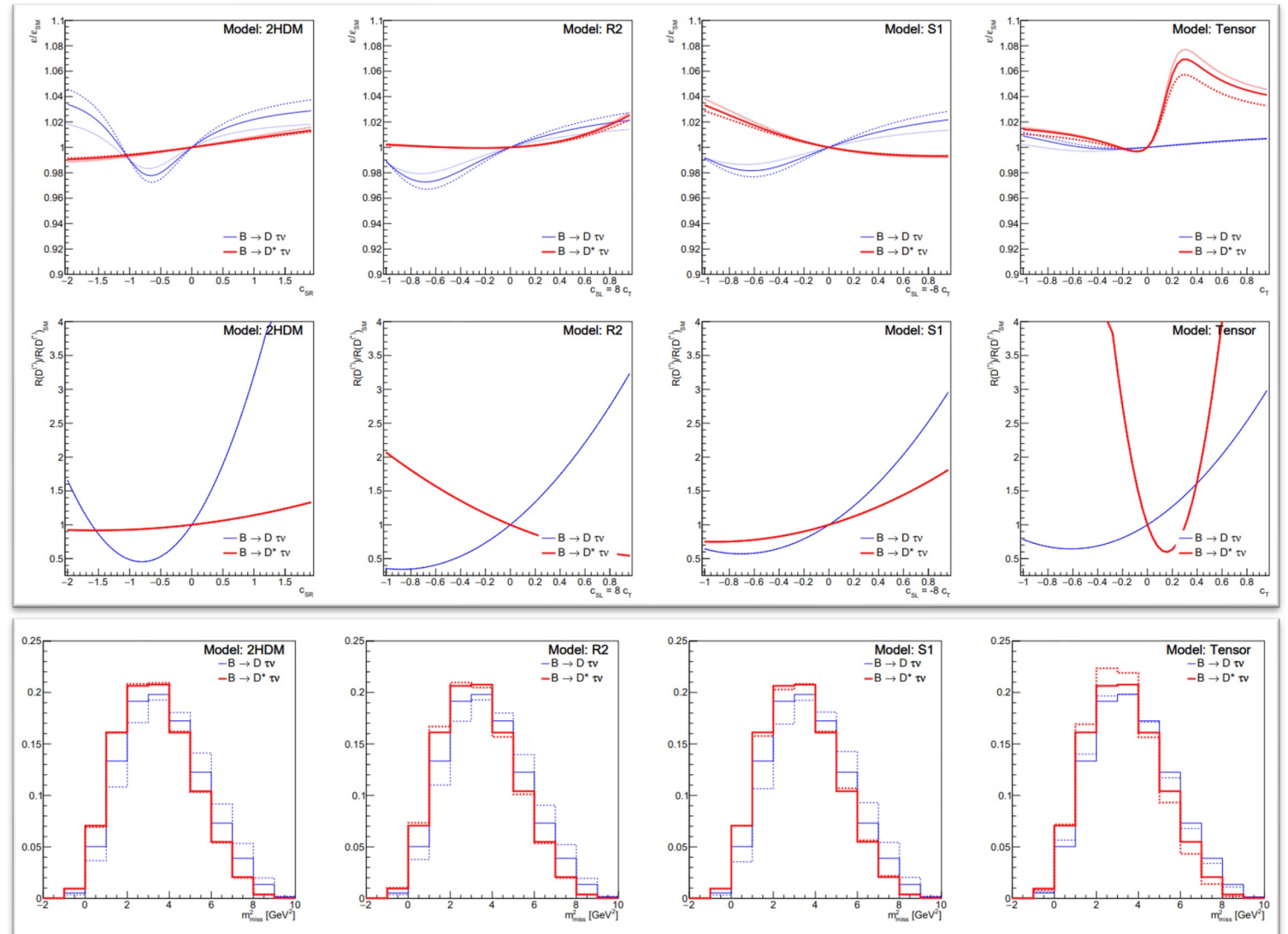
- $F_L^{D^*} = 0.441 \pm 0.006$ [[PRD 98 \(2018\) 095018](https://arxiv.org/abs/1809.09501)]
- $F_L^{D^*} = 0.457 \pm 0.010$ [[Eur. Phys. J. C 79, 268 \(2019\)](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.03102)]
- $F_L^{D^*} = 0.467 \pm 0.009$ [[Eur. Phys. J. C 80, 347 \(2020\)](https://arxiv.org/abs/2003.03471)]
- $F_L^{D^*} = 0.422 \pm 0.010$ [[arXiv:2310.03680](https://arxiv.org/abs/2310.03680)]
- $F_L^{D^*}[q^2 < 7\text{GeV}^2/c^4] = 0.495 \pm 0.017$ [[arXiv:2310.03680](https://arxiv.org/abs/2310.03680)]
- $F_L^{D^*}[q^2 > 7\text{GeV}^2/c^4] = 0.383 \pm 0.006$ [[arXiv:2310.03680](https://arxiv.org/abs/2310.03680)]



Searching for New Physics



New physics contribution **alter signal and background decay distributions** \rightarrow Impact on the acceptance and fitting templates

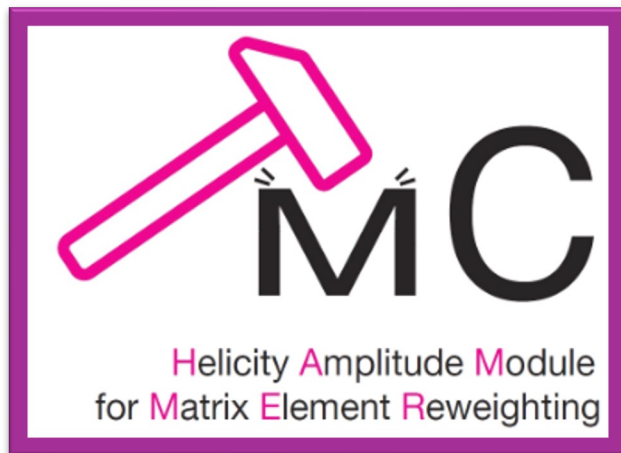


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Challenge: We need MC for each NP working point

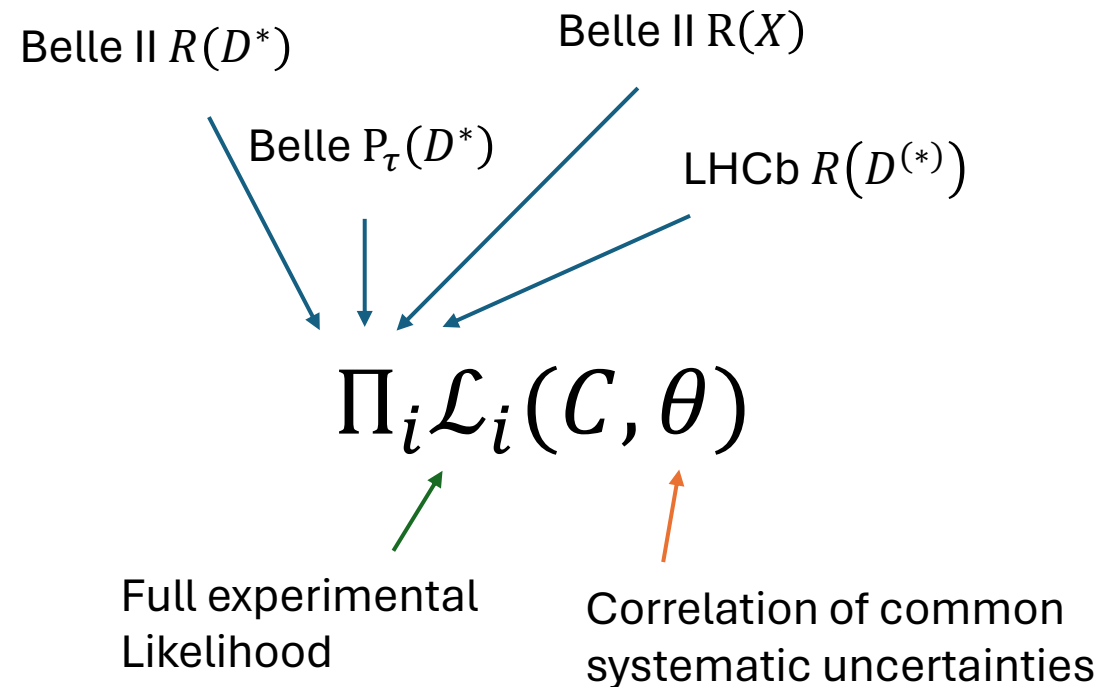
- Our standard generator EvtGen does not incorporate NP effects
- **Very** costly to re-produce MC at various NP working points

Luckily for us, this problem has been solved!



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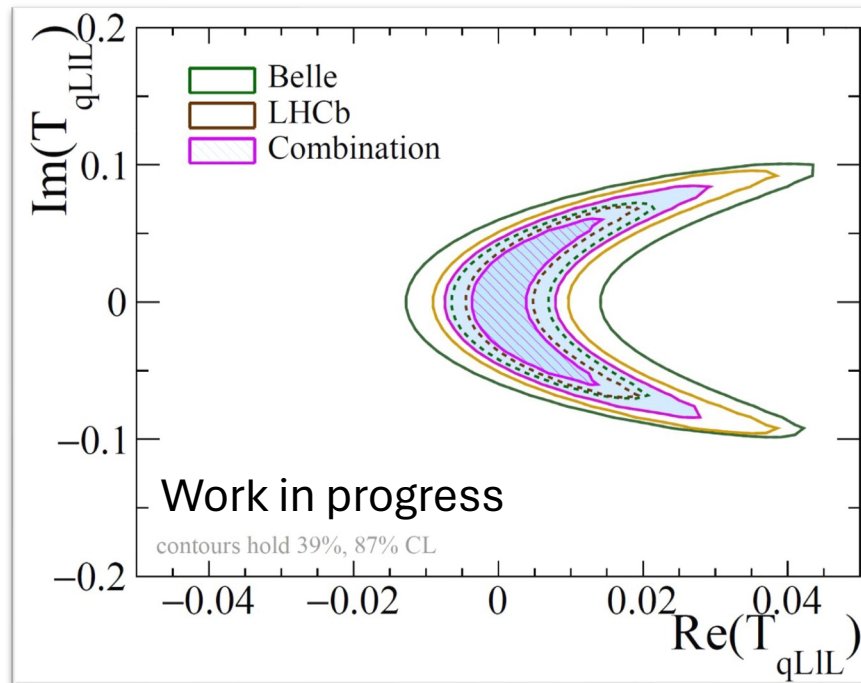
It also allows us to perform **truly global** fits for $b \rightarrow c\tau\bar{\nu}_\tau$ transitions that **avoid biases and remove SM priors**



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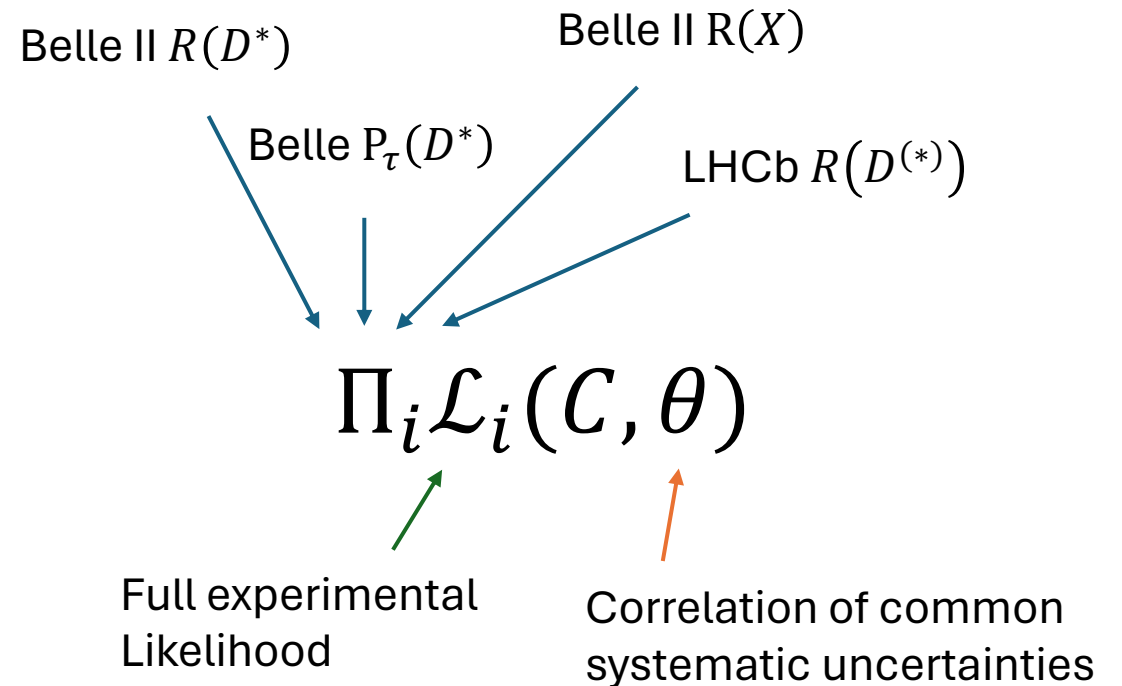
Proof of concept

based on LHCb simulation and a Belle toy



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Work in progress

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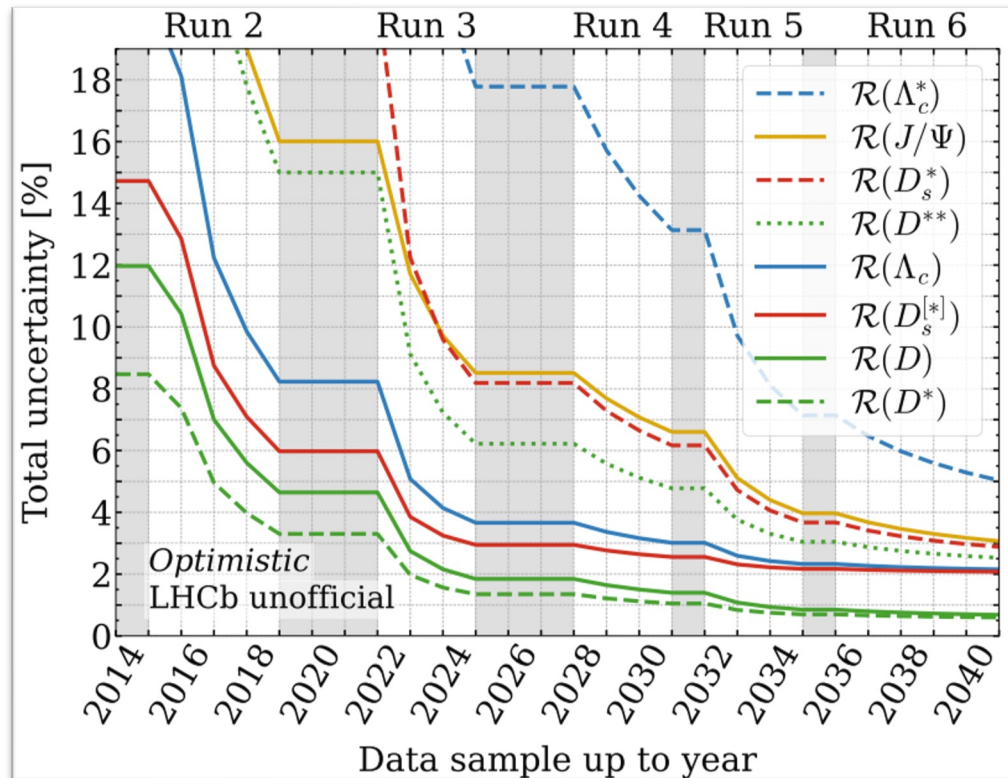


Idea currently being discussed internally within the respective collaborations.

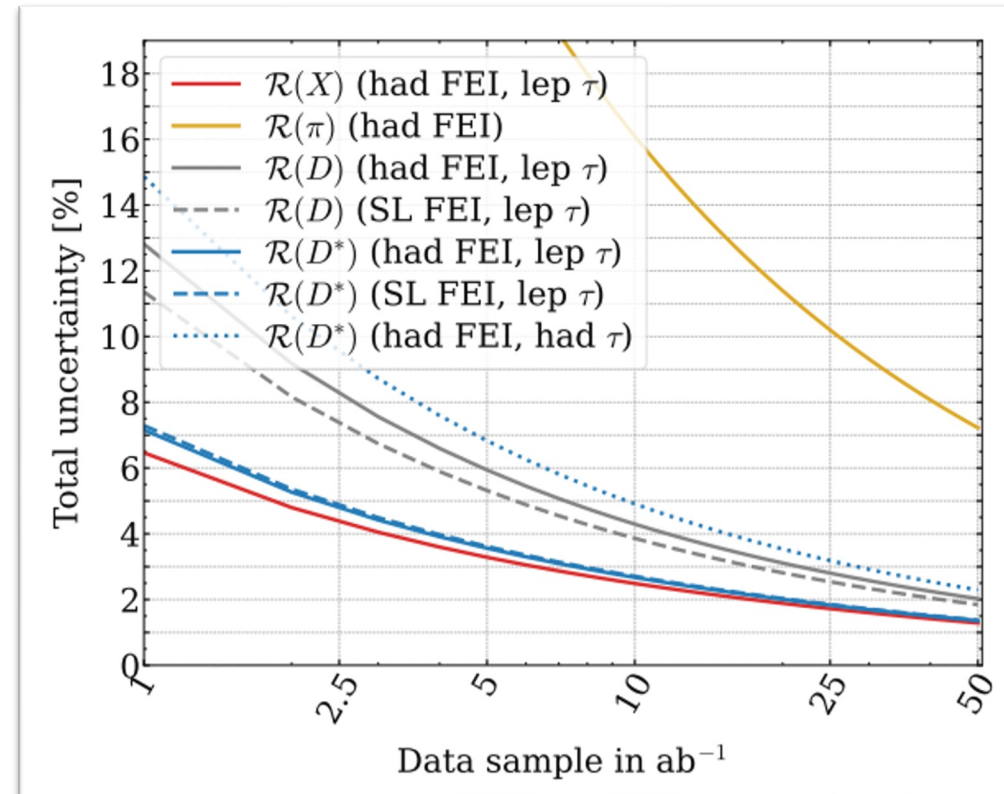
Glimpse into the future

More data to come! Will push precision of the $b \rightarrow c$ LFU ratios considerably

LHCb



Belle II



Discussion!

Backup

Challenges: Form Factors

