

LHCb at LHC: recent results and search for new physics

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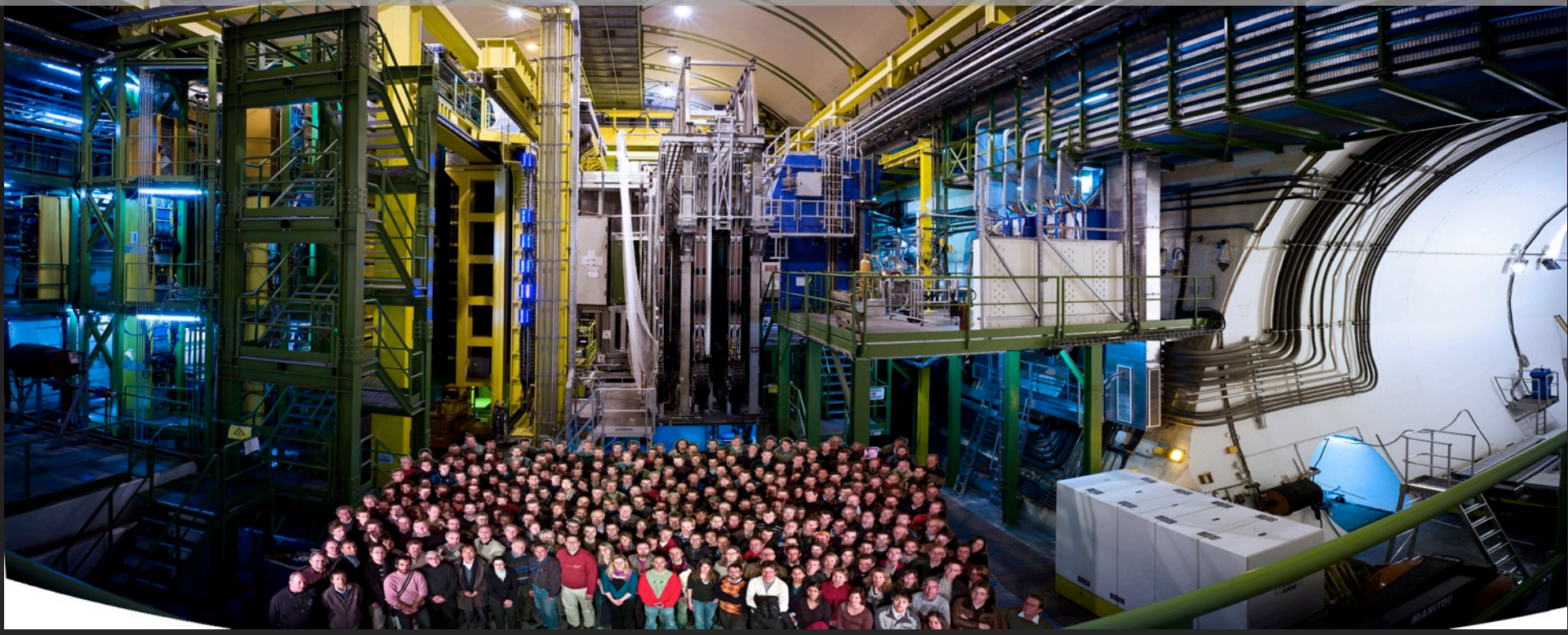
Colloquium – Firenze 19/10/2017

- The LHCb experiment
- LHCb operations and performance in 2017
- Selected physics results
 - ★ Include some new results
- The LHCb upgrade
- Conclusions and outlook

The LHCb experiment

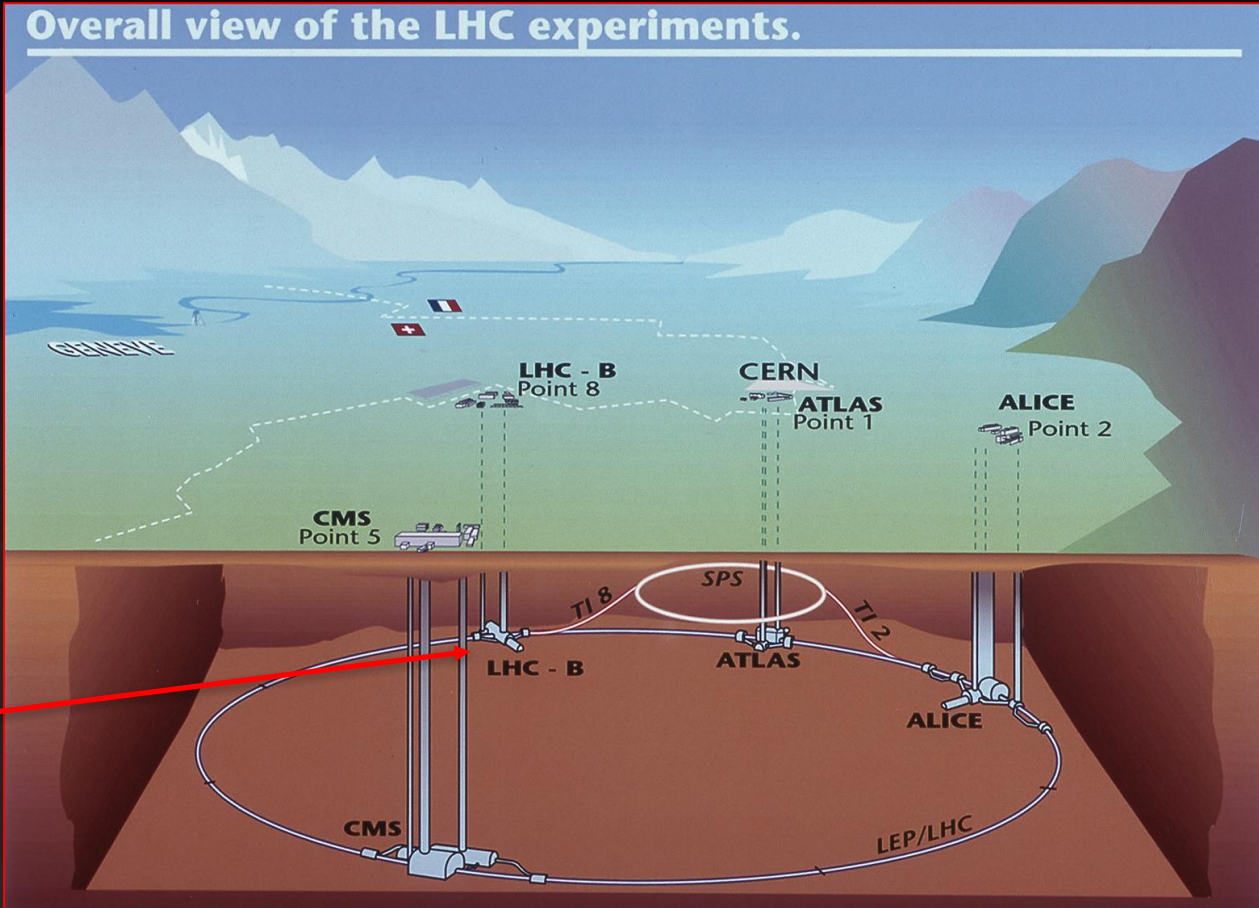
A general purpose experiment in the forward region

1200 members from 72 institutes in 16 countries
Designed to study CPV and new physics in rare b and c decays
Nowadays a general purpose experiment for physics in forward region



- Small group but very active !
 - ★ Giacomo Graziani, group leader – working group convener, fixed target physics, muon ID
 - ★ Lucio Anderlini – working group convener, spectroscopy, quark production, particle ID
 - ★ Andrea Bizzeti – operations
 - ★ Saverio Mariani – undergraduate student – fixed target physics
 - ★ GP
 - ★ Michele Veltri – operations
- Built ~1/5 of the wire chambers for the muon detector
- Leading role in a number of diverse analysis and physics tools domains
- R&D project for 3D diamond sensors with timing capabilities for a vertex detector in a future very high luminosity flavor experiment (Call GR5, PI: Silvio Sciortino)

LHCb: Large Hadron Collider beauty experiment



LHCb: a forward one arm spectrometer

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[JINST 3 (2008) S08005]

RICH detectors

K/ π /p separation
 $\epsilon(K \rightarrow K) \sim 95\%$
 mis-ID $\epsilon(\pi \rightarrow K) \sim 5\%$

Muon system

μ identification $\epsilon(\mu \rightarrow \mu) \sim 97\%$,
 mis-ID $\epsilon(\pi \rightarrow \mu) \sim 1-3\%$

Vertex Detector

reconstruct vertices
 decay time resolution: 45 fs
 IP resolution: 20 μm

pp collisions

Dipole Magnet

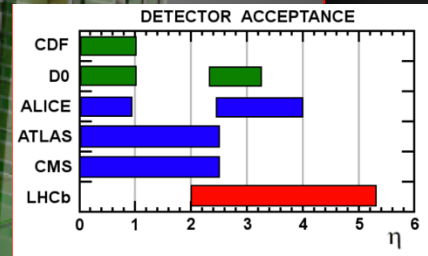
bending power: 4 Tm

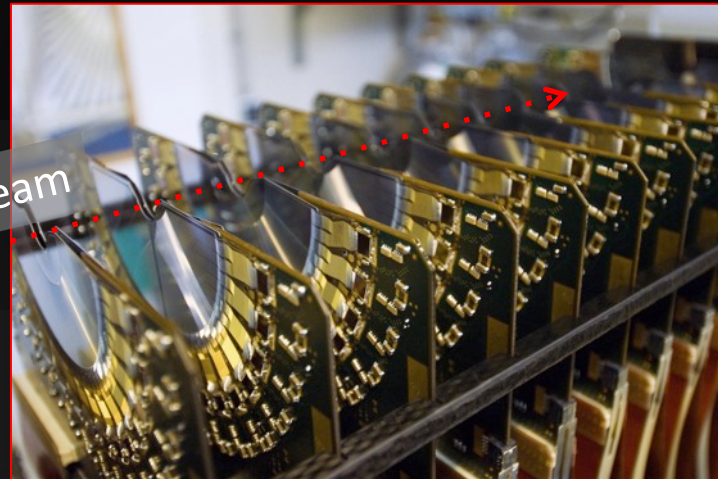
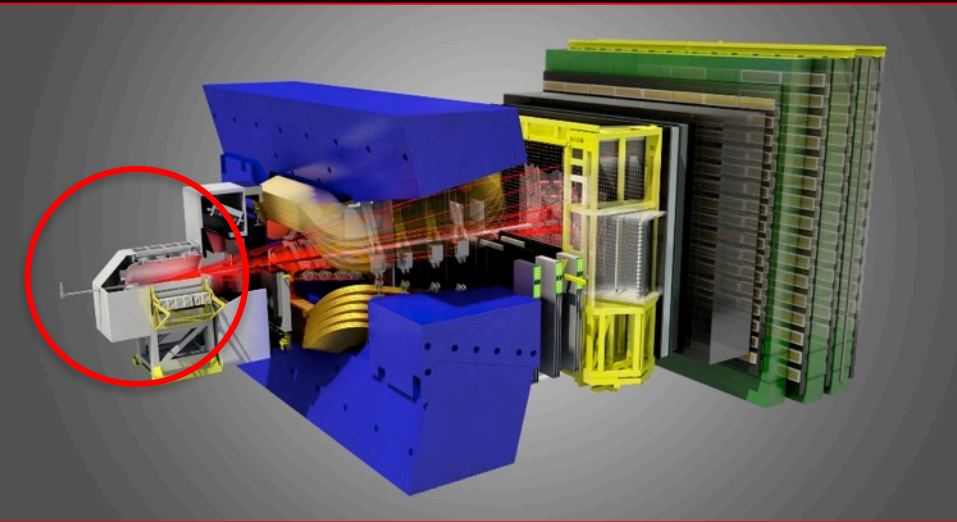
Tracking system: TT and OT

momentum resolution
 $\Delta p/p = 0.5\% - 1.0\%$
 (5 GeV/c – 100 GeV/c)

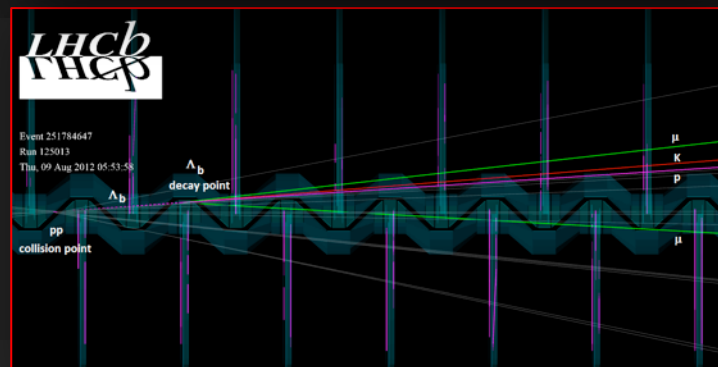
Calorimeters (ECAL, HCAL)

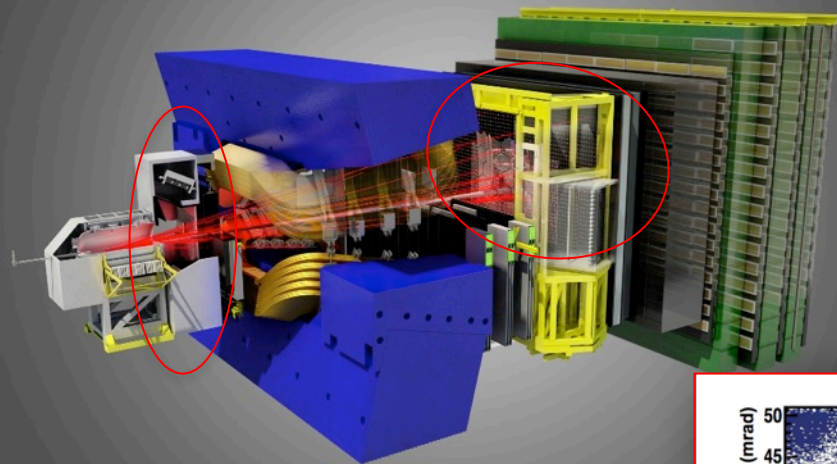
energy measurement
 e/γ identification
 $\Delta E/E = 1\% \oplus 10\%/VE(\text{GeV})$



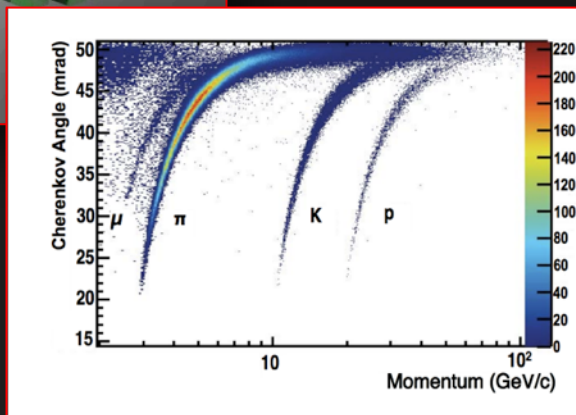


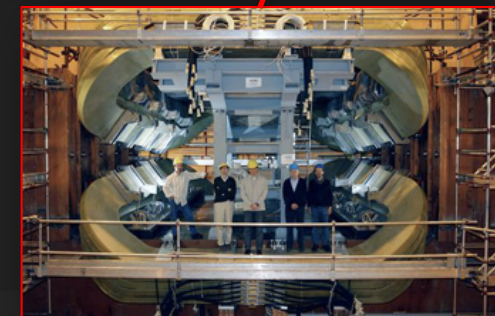
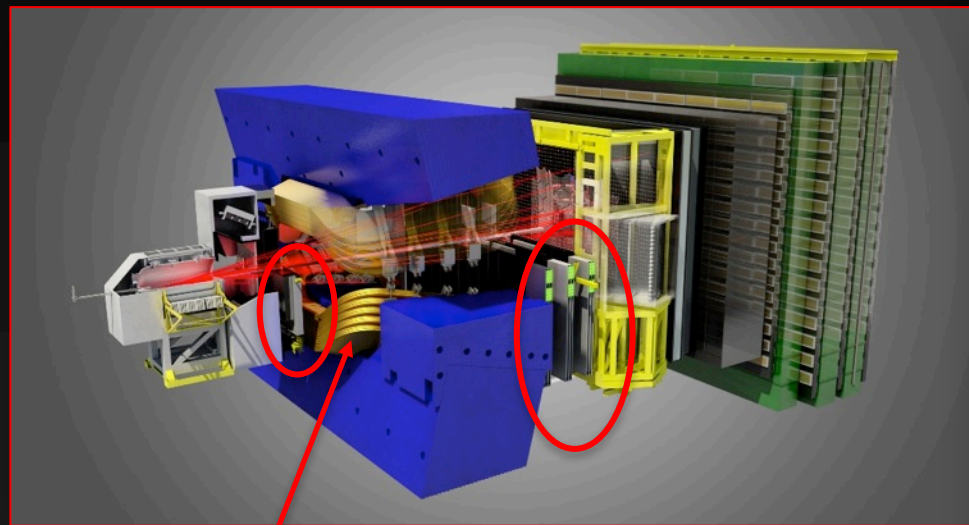
- The VELO is a silicon strip detector around the interaction point.
- Reconstruction of primary and secondary vertices
- **8 mm from LHC beam!**



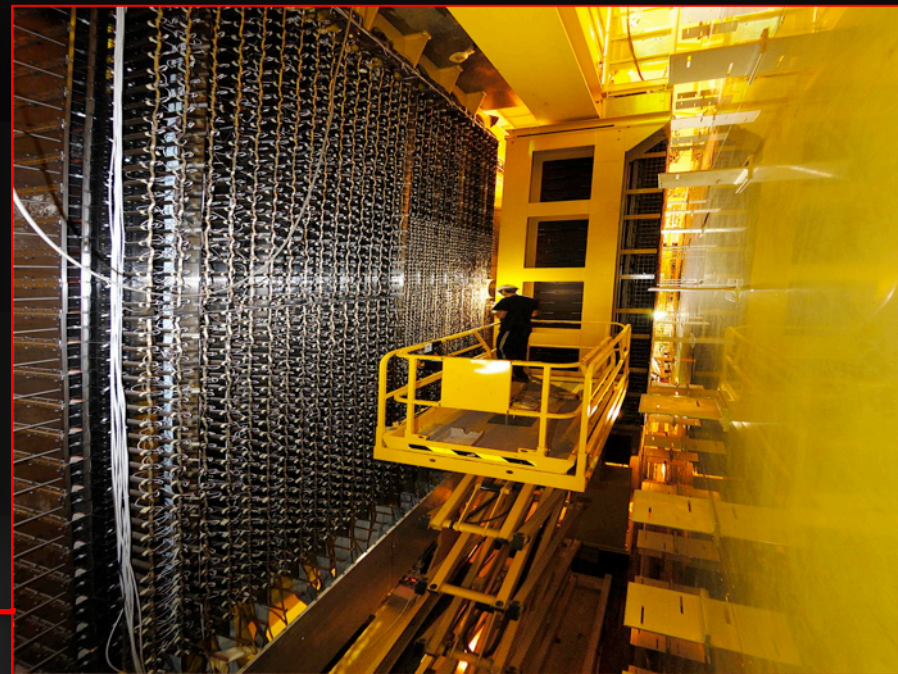
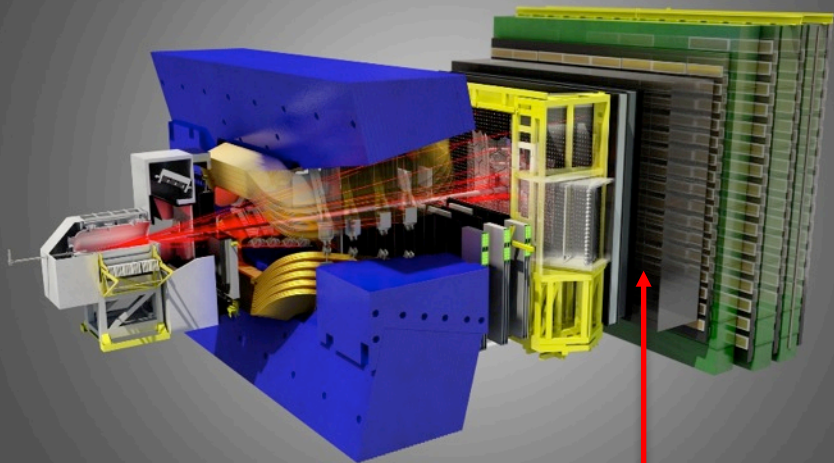


- Two 'RICH' detectors provide hadron identification from ~ 2 to 100 GeV/c

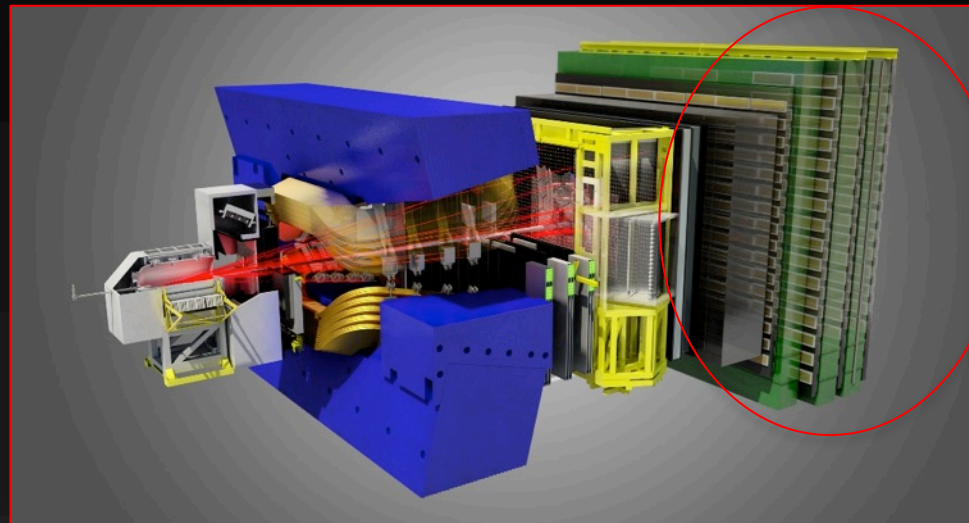




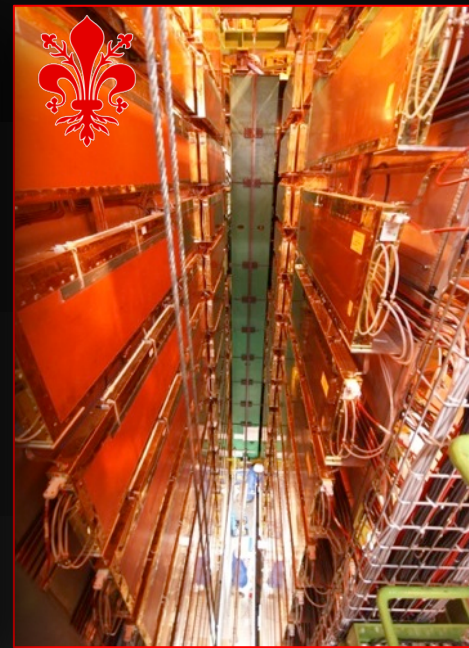
- 4Tm dipole magnet
- Silicon tracking stations upstream the magnet
- Straw tubes stations downstream the magnet
- momentum resolution 0.4-0.6 % (for $5 < p < 100$ GeV)



- Electromagnetic (ECAL) and hadronic (HCAL) calorimeters
- Provide information to L0 trigger
- Energy reconstruction and identification of photons, electrons, hadrons



- 5 stations with MWPC and GEM
- Provide information to L0 trigger
- Muon identification



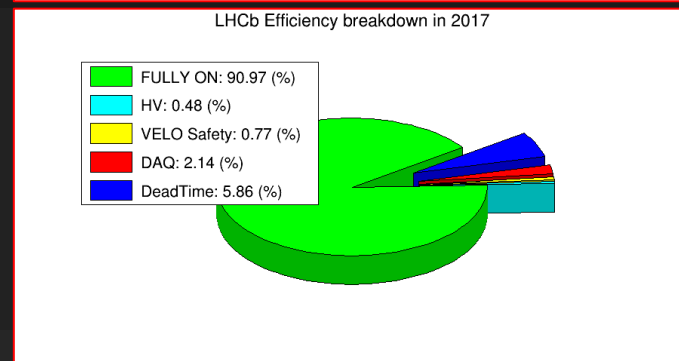
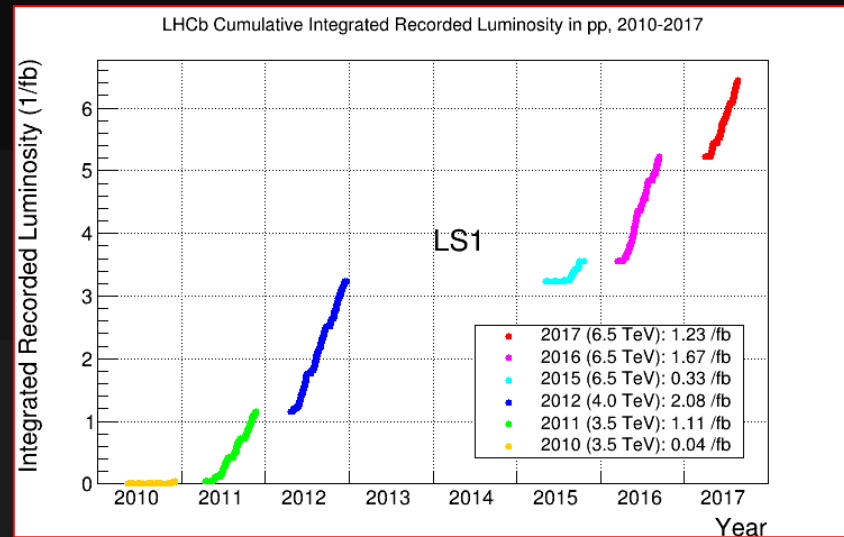
2017 LHCb run

LHCb operations and performance

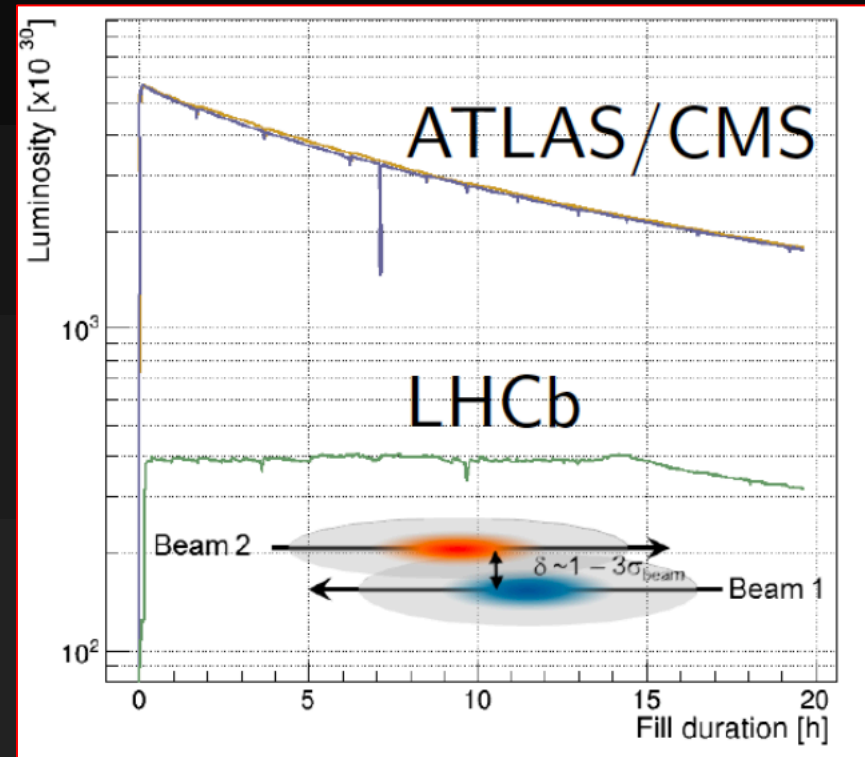
- Reached 6 fb^{-1}
- x2 integrated luminosity wrt run 1
- x3 number of B decays ($\sigma_{bb}^{(\text{run } 2)} \sim 2 \times \sigma_{bb}^{(\text{run } 1)}$)
- LHCb running very smoothly, DAQ efficiency $\sim 91\%$
 - ★ Close to the achievable maximum ($\sim 7\%$ irreducible deadtime)

	Recorded	Delivered	Efficiency
Current Fill	4.01	4.19	95.64
Annual	1000.00	900.31	90.88
Mag DOWN	465.72	514.20	90.57
Mag UP	533.41	585.09	91.17
2010-2017	6216.64	5842.28	90.86

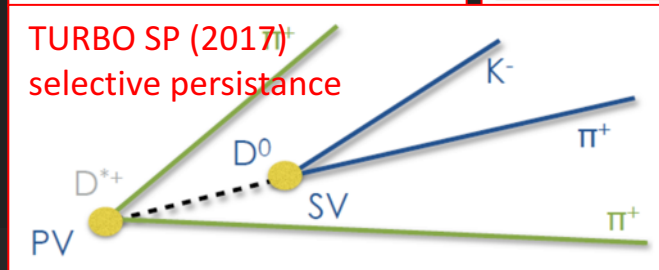
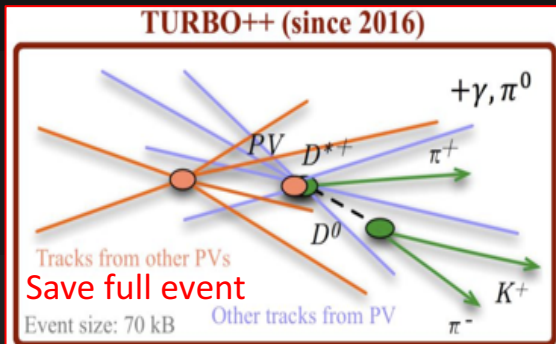
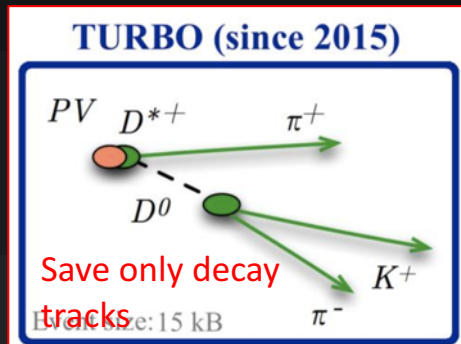
Units in pb^{-1}



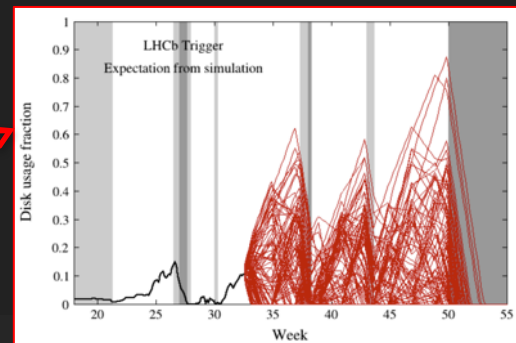
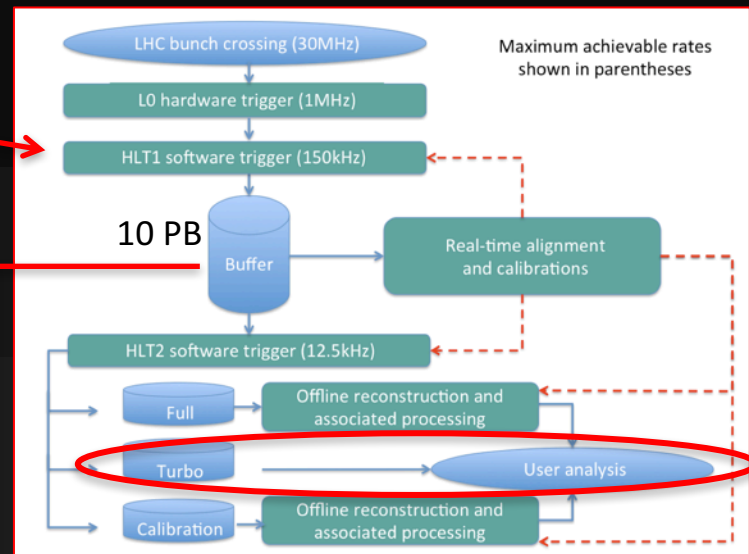
- LHCb is running in very special conditions
- Luminosity is “levelled” i.e. is kept constant throughout the fill by adjusting the beam focusing and overlap
- Very uniform data taking conditions
- Maximize integrated luminosity



- HLT split in two stages
- A new concept: TURBO stream
 - ★ An anticipation of the upgrade trigger
 - ★ Selected data saved in a format ready for the analysis no offline reconstruction



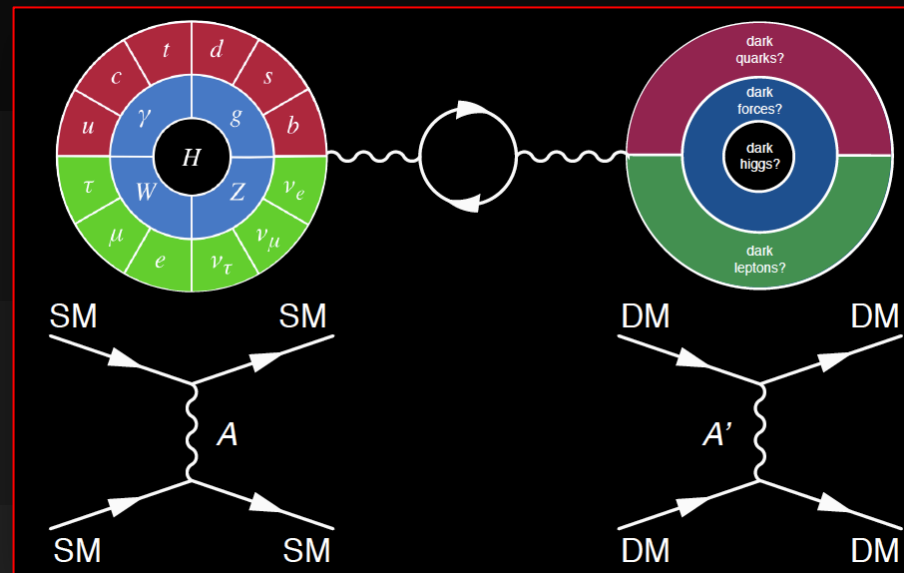
- To avoid filling the buffer two HLT1 configurations: tight, loose
- Simulations for buffer filling predictions



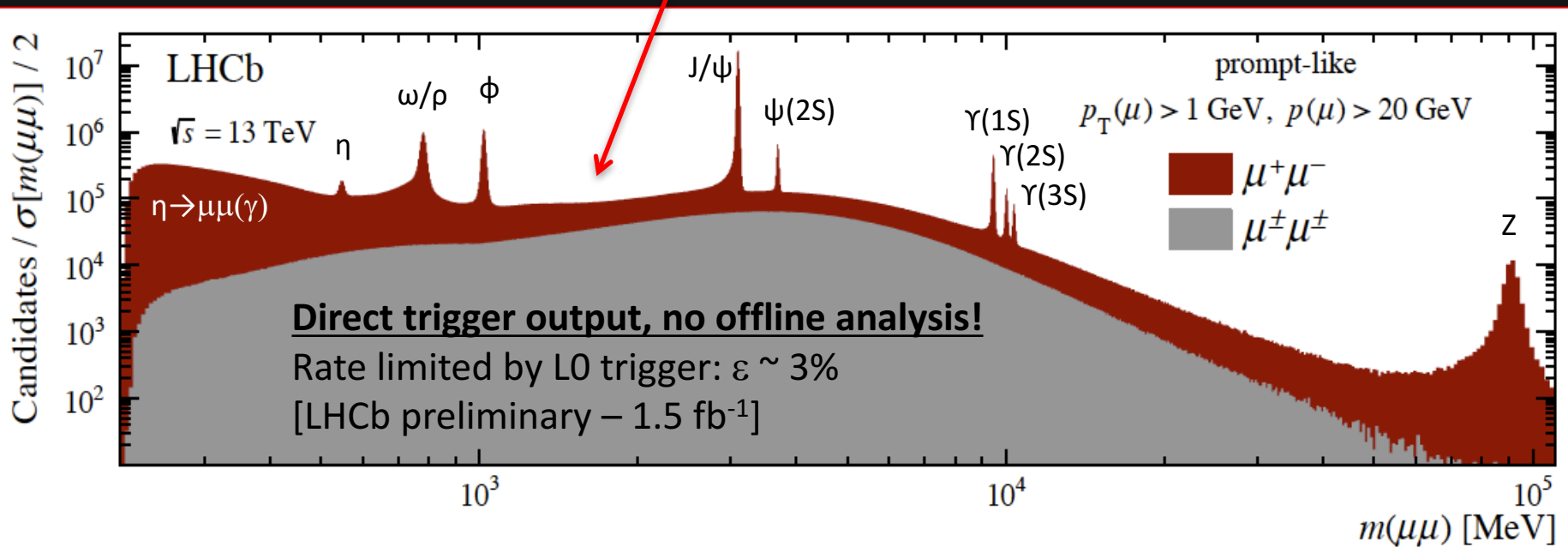
A trigger for dark matter

Search for dark photons from TURBO stream data

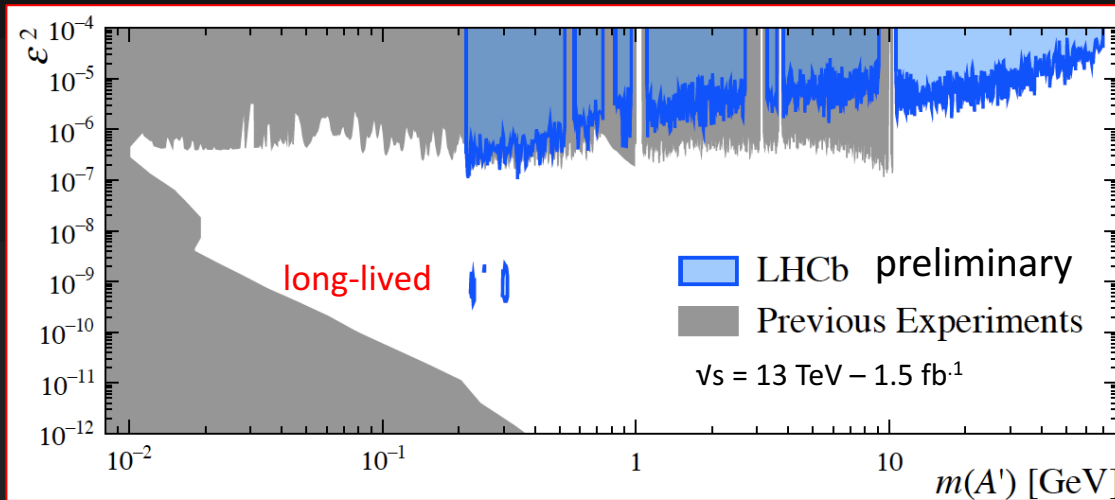
- As a possible explanation for dark matter, a “dark sector” is postulated, with fields not interacting directly with SM fields.
- Dark fields interact with SM fields through the lagrangian kinetic terms with a mixing strength ε .
- Dark vector fields A' are called “dark photons” and they weakly couple to SM electromagnetic current with a coupling $e\varepsilon$ where $10^{-6} < \varepsilon < 10^{-2}$ depending on the models
- This mixing provides a “portal” for production and detection of A' via SM particles (“visible dark photons”)



- A promising channel to detect dark photons is $A' \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$
- The signal yield can be directly inferred from $\gamma^* \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$: **fully data driven analysis**
- At LHCb: search for $A' \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ in run 2 data (1.5 fb^{-1})
- **Dedicated trigger in the TURBO stream**



- Two signatures searched:
 - ★ Prompt decays (compatible with coming from primary vertex): $m_{\mu\mu} < 70$ GeV
 - ★ Long leaved: $214 < m(A') < 350$ MeV
- No signal found \rightarrow exclusion plot



- LHCb has sensitivity at the level of B-factories in the low mass region
- Most stringent constraints for $10.6 < m(A') < 70$ GeV
- First exclusion limits to long-lived dark photons at a non-beam-dump experiment
- Main limitation from L0: $\epsilon \sim 3\%$
- Huge increase in sensitivity expected in run 3 thanks to the fully software trigger (no L0)

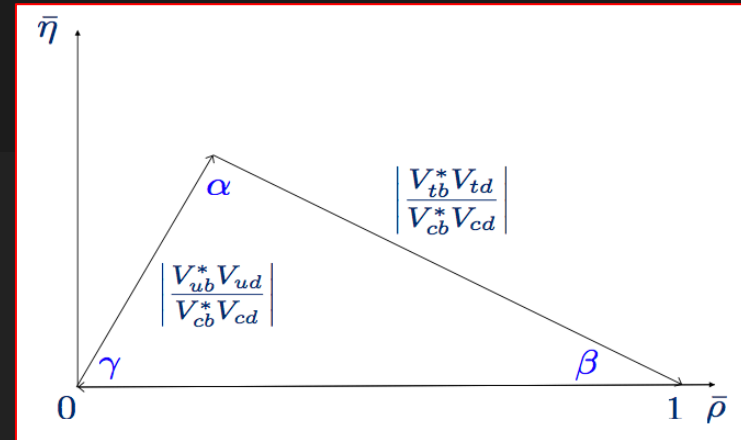
Quest for precision

Measurements of CKM matrix parameters

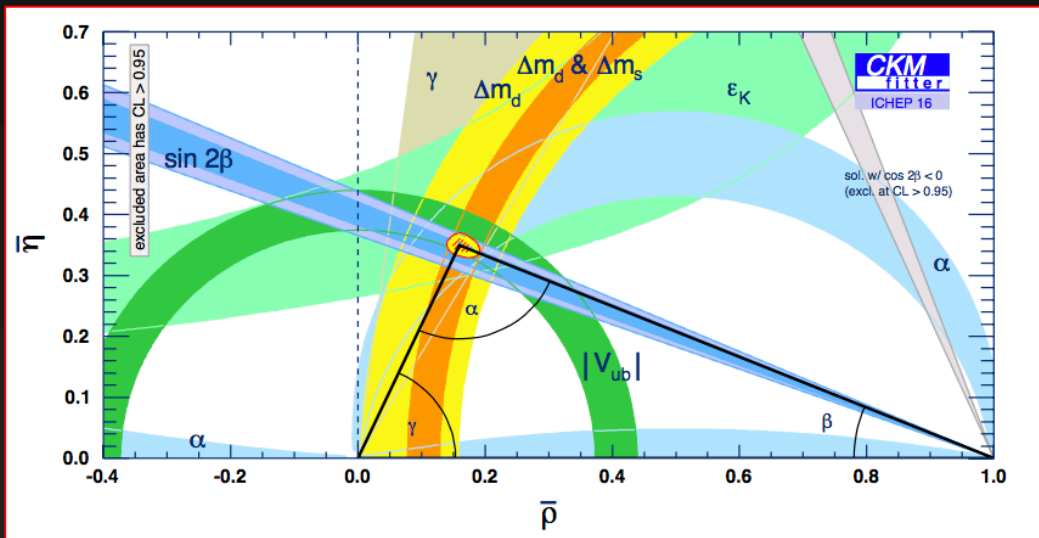
- *A new measurement of $\sin 2\beta$*
- *Measurement of the B_s mixing phase ϕ_s*
- *A new measurement of CKM angle γ*

- Arises from the Yukawa terms for quarks in the SM lagrangian
- Connects u- and d- type quarks via the weak force
- Each element related to a transition probability, $|V_{ij}|^2$
- **3X3 unitary matrix is parameterised by three rotation angles and one complex phase**
- Phase changes sign under the CP operator
In SM, this phase is the single source of quark sector CP violation
- **Unitarity conditions lead to the Unitarity Triangle graphical representation**

$$V_{\text{CKM}} = \begin{bmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{bmatrix}$$



- Global CKM fits performed using information from many measurements that over-constrain the UT
 - ★ If the triangle does not “close” it is a clear sign of something beyond the SM
- Measuring β and γ is an important part of this process

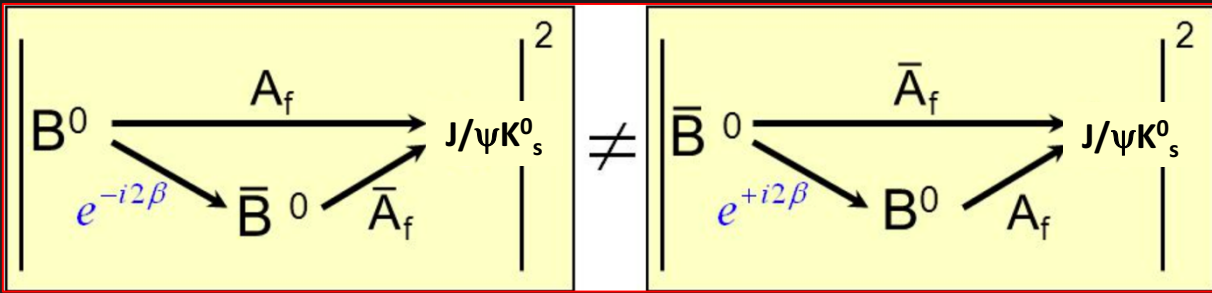
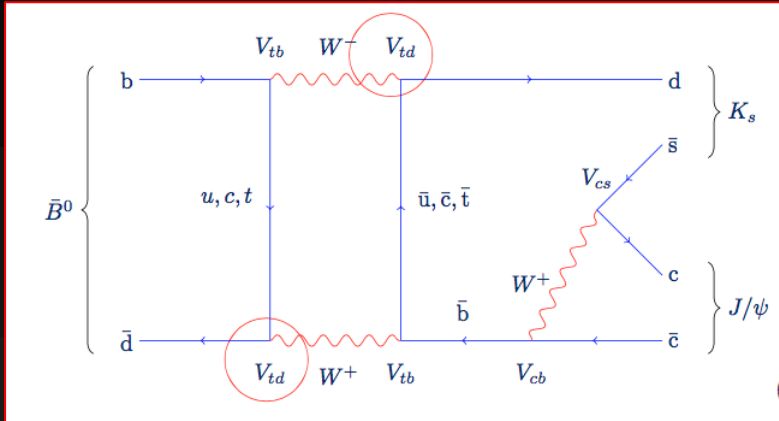


Let's explore β first as an example

$$\alpha = \arg \left[-\frac{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*} \right] \quad \beta = \arg \left[-\frac{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*}{V_{td}V_{tb}^*} \right] \quad \gamma = \arg \left[-\frac{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*}{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*} \right]$$

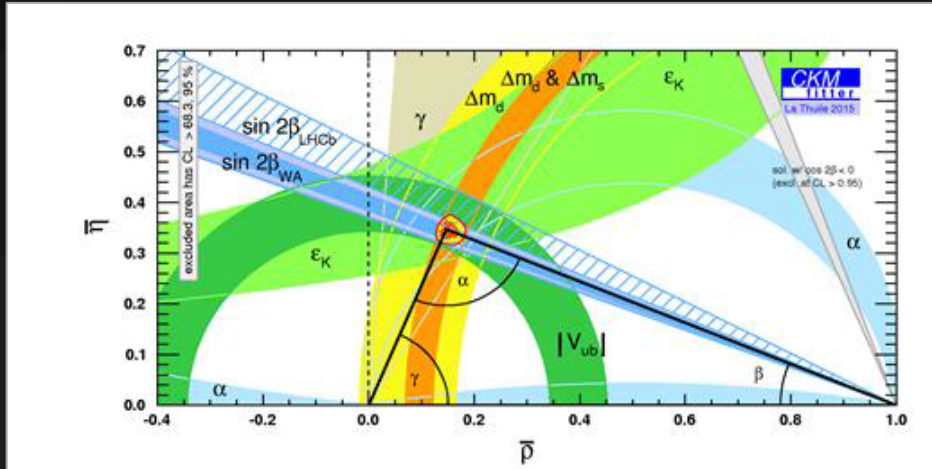
Measurement of β

- To measure β need to access V_{tb} and V_{td}
- A good place to look is the $B^0-\bar{B}^0$ mixing
- CP violation arises in interference in mixing
- Involves a box diagram
- It may include NP contributions
- Requires a time-dependent analysis and flavour tagging (to distinguish initial state B^0 and \bar{B}^0)

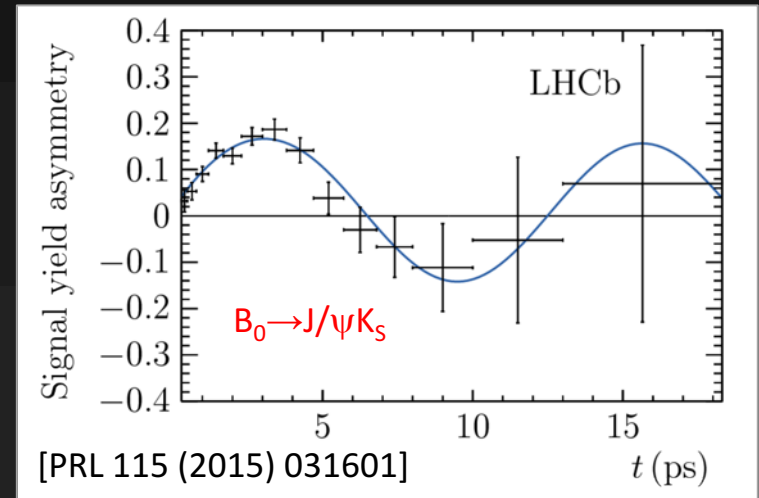


$$A_{CP}(t) = \frac{S \sin(\Delta mt) - C \cos(\Delta mt)}{\cosh(\Delta\Gamma t/2) + A_{\Delta\Gamma} \sinh(\Delta\Gamma t/2)} \stackrel{\Delta\Gamma=0}{\approx} S \sin(\Delta mt) - C \cos(\Delta mt) \quad S_{J/\psi K_S^0} \approx \sin 2\beta$$

- Measurement of β is the legacy of the B -factories: **probably one of the most beautiful measurements in particle physics!**
- This measurement requires time-dependent measurement and flavour tagging, which is trickier at a hadron collider than at an e^+e^- machine



Precision obtained by LHCb with $B_0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S$ is very similar to that of the B -factories.



$\sin 2\beta_{\text{eff}} = 0.731 \pm 0.035 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.020 \text{ (syst)}$
 (BaBar stat error = 0.036, Belle stat error = 0.029)

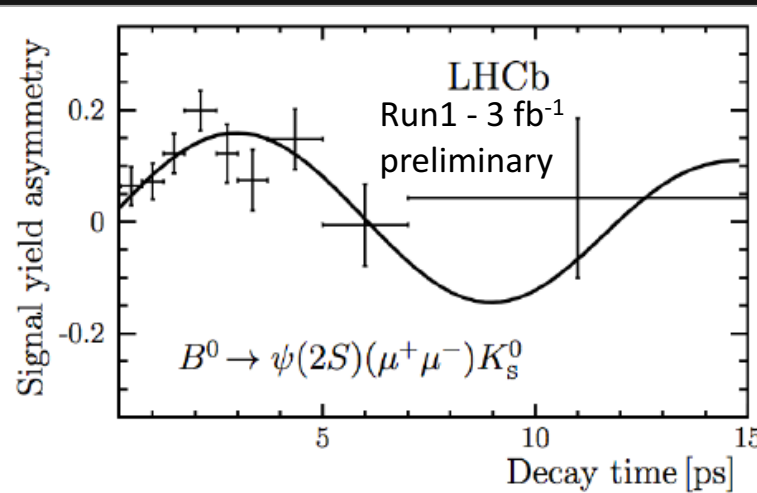
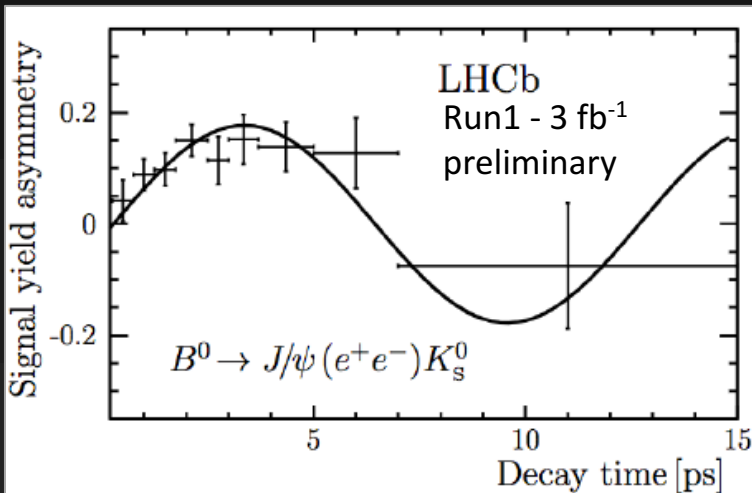
New measurement of $\sin 2\beta$

[LHCb-PAPER-2017-029]

- Decay-time-dependent CP violation in $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi(e^+e^-)K_S^0$ and $B^0 \rightarrow \psi(2S)(\mu^+\mu^-)K_S^0$

$$A_{CP}(t) = \frac{S \sin(\Delta mt) - C \cos(\Delta mt)}{\cosh(\Delta\Gamma t/2) + A_{\Delta\Gamma} \sinh(\Delta\Gamma t/2)} \stackrel{\Delta\Gamma=0}{\approx} S \sin(\Delta mt) - C \cos(\Delta mt)$$

$$S_{J/\psi K_S^0} \approx \sin 2\beta$$



$$C = 0.12^{+0.07}_{-0.07} \text{ (stat)} + 0.02 \text{ (syst)}$$

$$S = 0.83^{+0.07}_{-0.08} \text{ (stat)} + 0.01 \text{ (syst)}$$

$$C = -0.05^{+0.10}_{-0.10} \text{ (stat)} + 0.01 \text{ (syst)}$$

$$S = 0.84^{+0.10}_{-0.10} \text{ (stat)} + 0.01 \text{ (syst)}$$

New measurement of $\sin 2\beta$

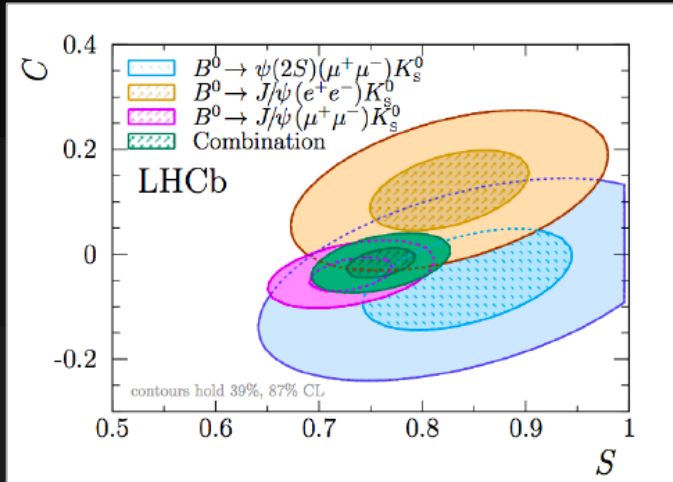
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- Average of LHCb measurements from Run 1

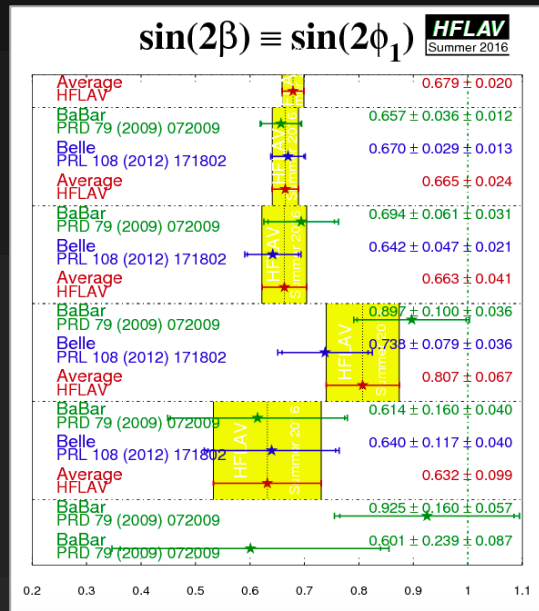
$$C(B^0 \rightarrow [c\bar{c}]K_S^0) = -0.017 \pm 0.029$$

$$S(B^0 \rightarrow [c\bar{c}]K_S^0) = 0.760 \pm 0.034$$

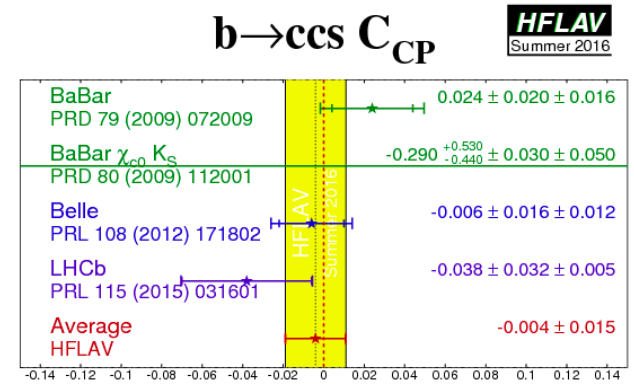
- Slight tension with the average from B factories on $\sin 2\beta$, at the 2σ level



Further investigations with Run2 data are needed



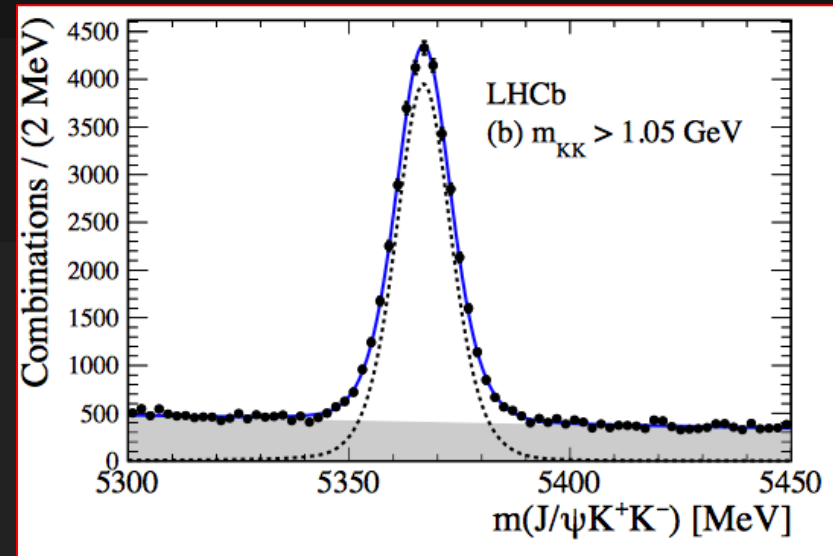
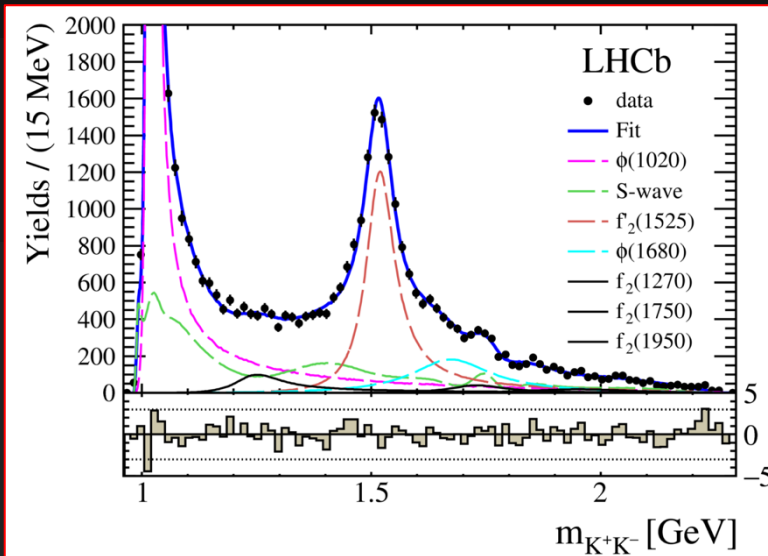
$\sin 2\beta$ from B factories:
 0.679 ± 0.020



B_s mixing phase: legacy ϕ_s result from Run 1

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- LHCb measured ϕ_s from Run-1 with $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi KK$ (and $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi \pi\pi$) already some time ago
 - ★ but the measurement only included the KK system around the $\phi(1020)$ mass
- There is non negligible statistics for $m_{KK} > 1.05 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



B_s mixing phase: legacy ϕ_s result from Run 1

- Quite challenging, as a decay- time dependent amplitude analysis is involved

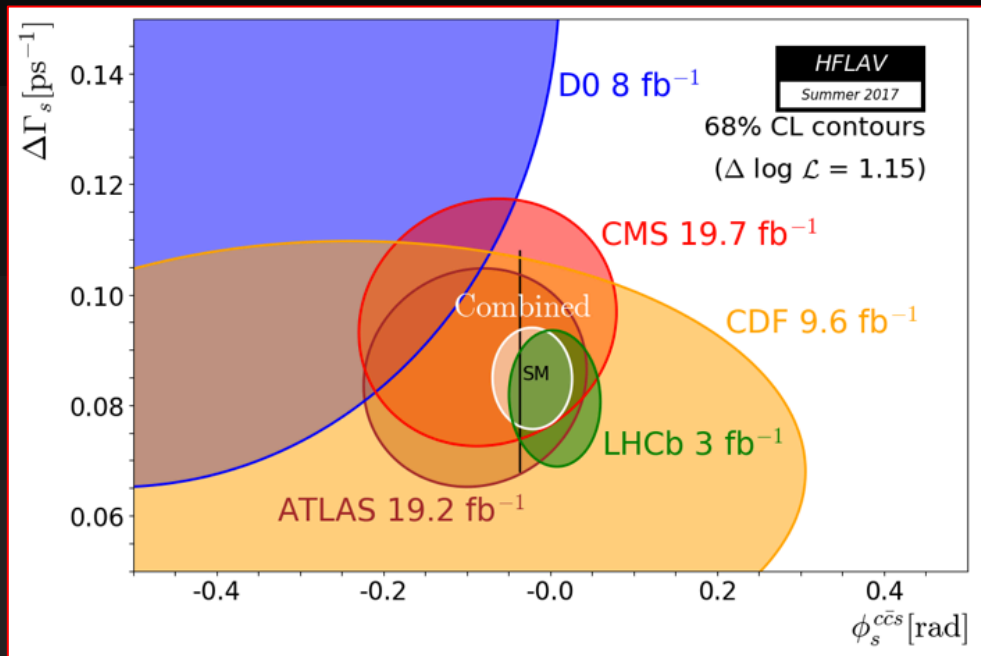
- Results for $m_{KK} > 1.05 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_s &= 119 \pm 107 \pm 34 \text{ mrad}, \\ |\lambda| &= 0.994 \pm 0.018 \pm 0.006, \\ \Gamma_s &= 0.650 \pm 0.006 \pm 0.004 \text{ ps}^{-1}, \\ \Delta\Gamma_s &= 0.066 \pm 0.018 \pm 0.010 \text{ ps}^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

- And averaging with low KK mass

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_s &= -25 \pm 45 \pm 8 \text{ mrad}, \\ |\lambda| &= 0.978 \pm 0.013 \pm 0.003, \\ \Gamma_s &= 0.6588 \pm 0.0022 \pm 0.0015 \text{ ps}^{-1}, \\ \Delta\Gamma_s &= 0.0813 \pm 0.0073 \pm 0.0036 \text{ ps}^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

- Finally, including also $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi\pi\pi$



$$\phi_s = 1 \pm 37 \text{ mrad and } |\lambda| = 0.973 \pm 0.013$$

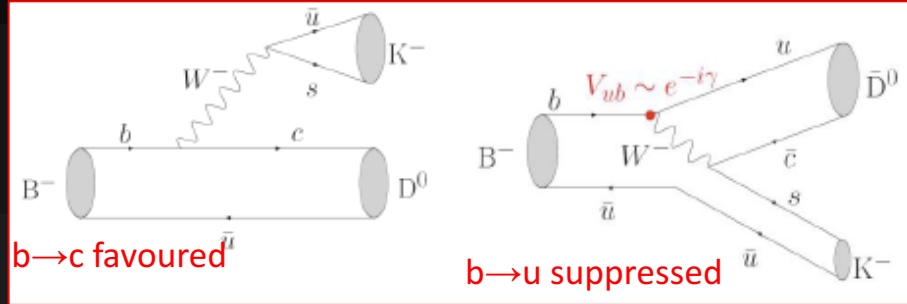
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Now working on the update with Run-2 data

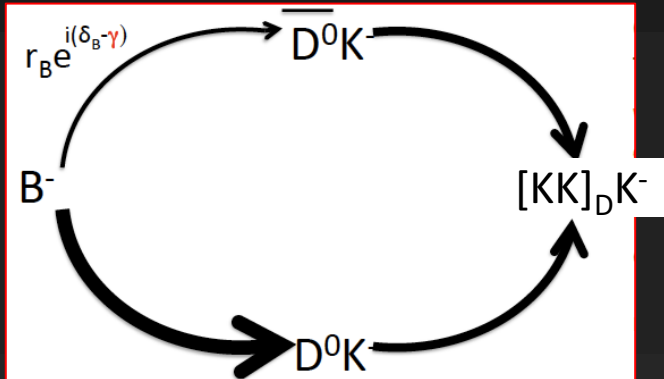
Unitarity Triangle: the angle γ

- A precise measurement of the angle γ is one of the flagship measurements of LHCb

$$\gamma = -\arg\left(\frac{V_{ud} V_{ub}^*}{V_{cd} V_{cb}^*}\right)$$



- Many D^0 decays can be exploited: $K\pi$, KK , $K\pi\pi\pi$...



e.g. "GLW" method with decay to CP eigenstates

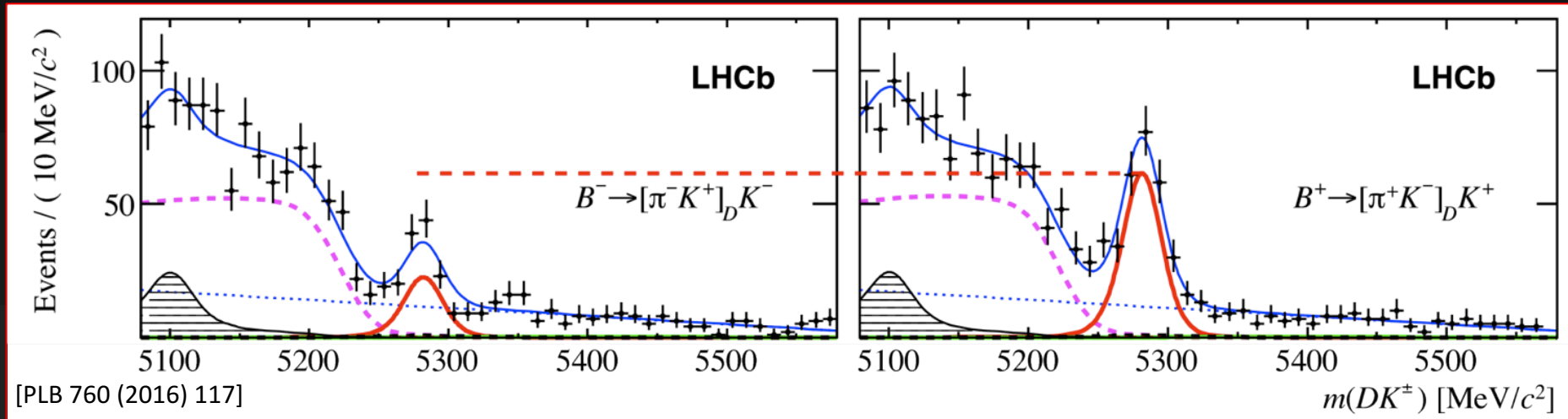
$$\frac{N(B^-) - N(B^+)}{N(B^-) + N(B^+)} = A_{CP^+} = \frac{1}{R_{CP^+}} 2r_B \sin(\delta_B) \sin(\gamma)$$

$$\frac{N(B \rightarrow [KK]_D K) \times \Gamma(D \rightarrow K\pi)}{N(B \rightarrow [K\pi]_D K) \times \Gamma(D \rightarrow KK)} = R_{CP^+} = 1 + r_B^2 + 2r_B \cos(\delta_B) \cos(\gamma)$$

- Tree-level decays: strategy very clean and the results are unpolluted by New Physics
- Provides a SM benchmark against which other measurements can be compared

Unitarity Triangle: the angle γ

- High precision obtained through the combination of many complementary methods and channels, including some rare decays (e.g. the “ADS” $B^\pm \rightarrow (K^\mp \pi^\pm)_D K^\pm$ mode (BR $\sim 10^{-7}$) ...)



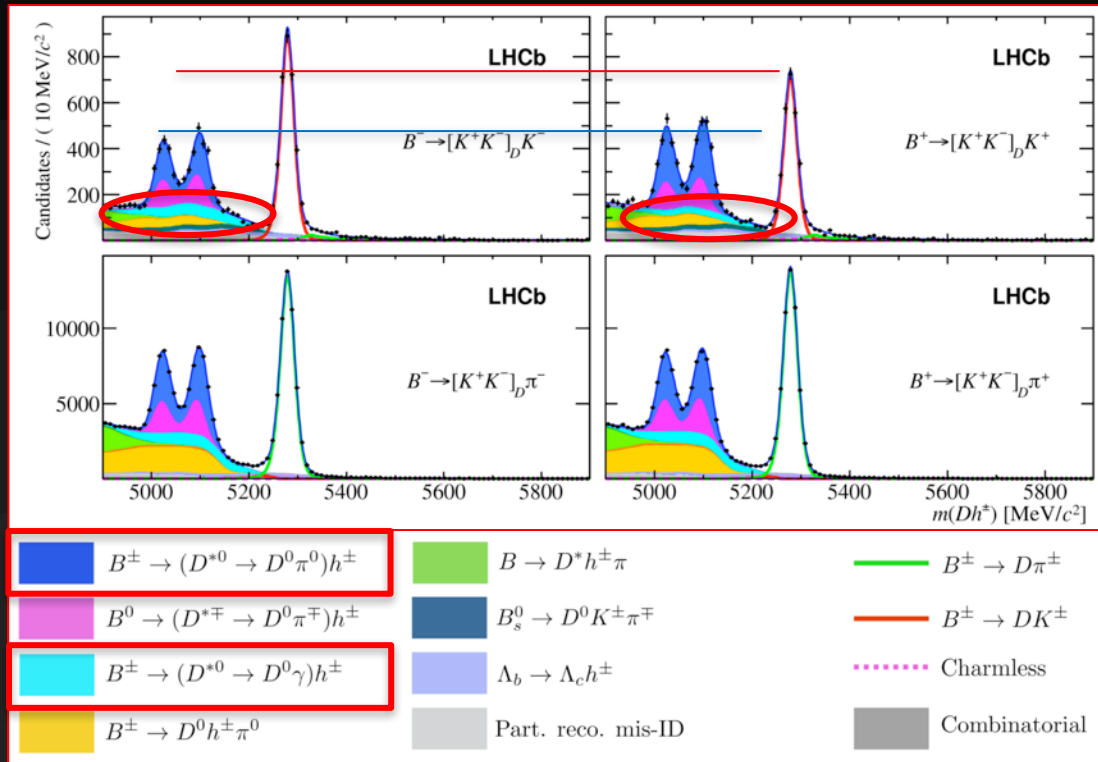
This CP asymmetry carries ultra-clean, easy to interpret, information on γ !

- LHCb performed a new measurement using all run 1 data plus the first 1.5 fb⁻¹ from run-2 exploiting the decay $B^\pm \rightarrow (D^* \rightarrow D\pi^0 / \gamma) K^\pm$

- Use partially reconstructed D^*

- The sensitivity to γ is through $D^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-$ $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ decays to CP eigenstates (GLW method)

- $D^* \rightarrow D\pi^0$ and $D^* \rightarrow D\gamma$ give opposite sign CP asymmetries



CKM angle γ : LHCb combination

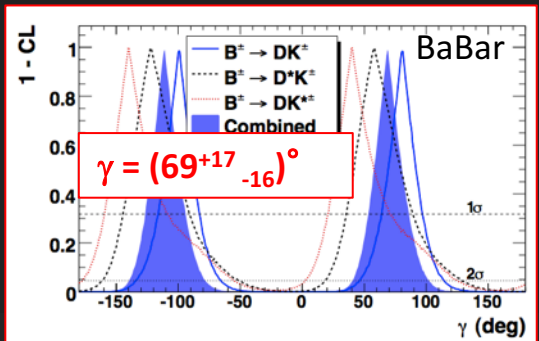
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- Angle γ can be measured with a large number of different independent methodes
- Recent additions to the LHCb combination:
 - **Significantly more precise than previous results from the B-factories and undergoing continuous improvements:**
 - **Is γ the least well known CKM angle ?**

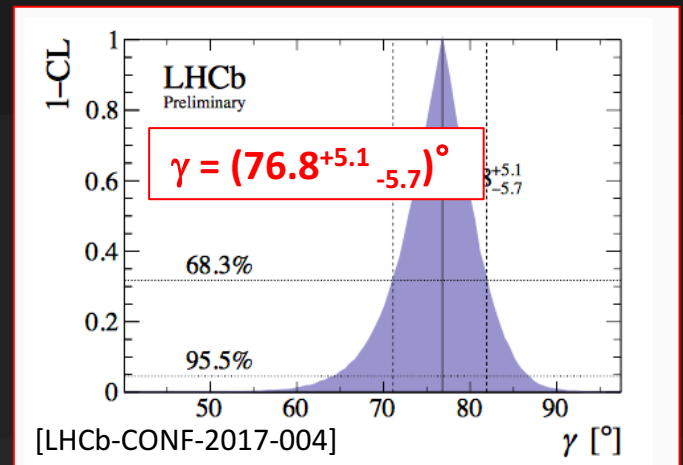
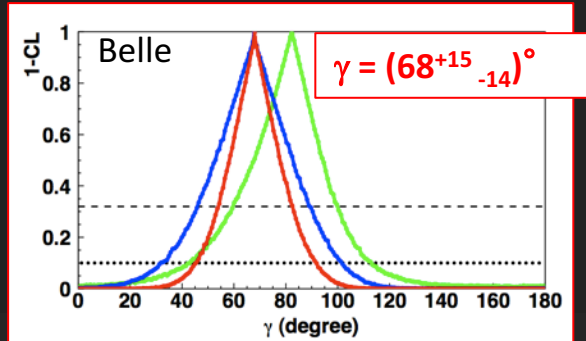
• $B^\pm \rightarrow D^0 K^{*\pm}$ ADS/GLW [LHCb-CONF-2016-014]	NEW
• $B^\pm \rightarrow D^{*0} K^{*\pm}$ GLW [LHCb-PAPER-2017-021]	NEW
• $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^\mp K^\pm$ TD [LHCb-CONF-2016-015]	$1 \text{ fb}^{-1} \rightarrow 3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
• $B^\pm \rightarrow D^0 K^\pm$ GLW [LHCb-PAPER-2017-021]	$3 \text{ fb}^{-1} \rightarrow 5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

cfr $\alpha = (88.8 \pm 2.3)^\circ$ [CKMfitter ICHEP 2016]

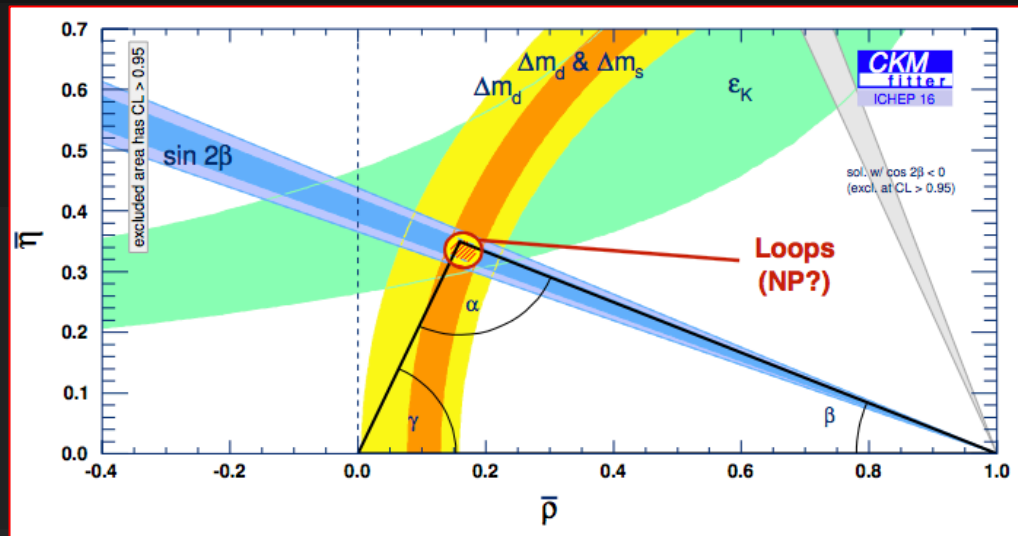
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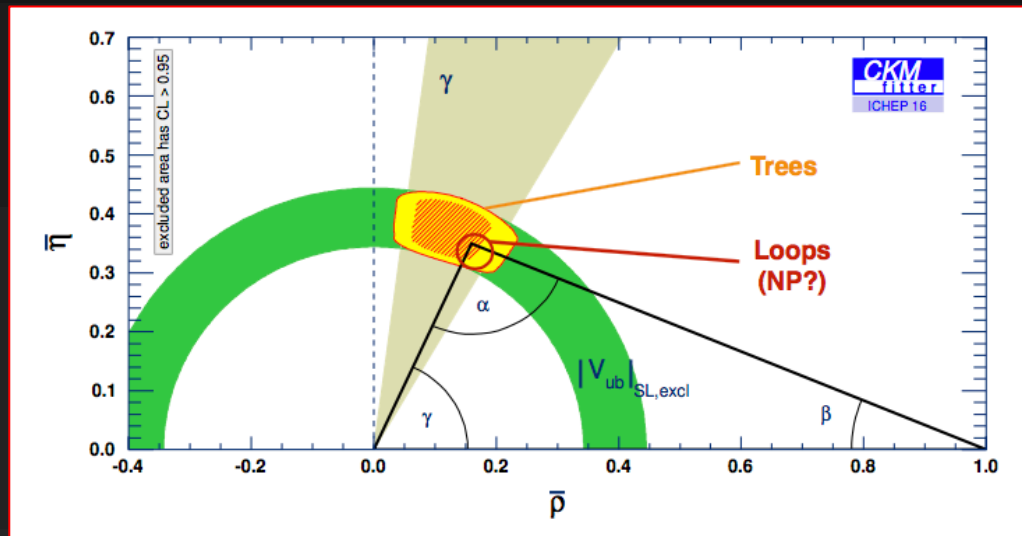
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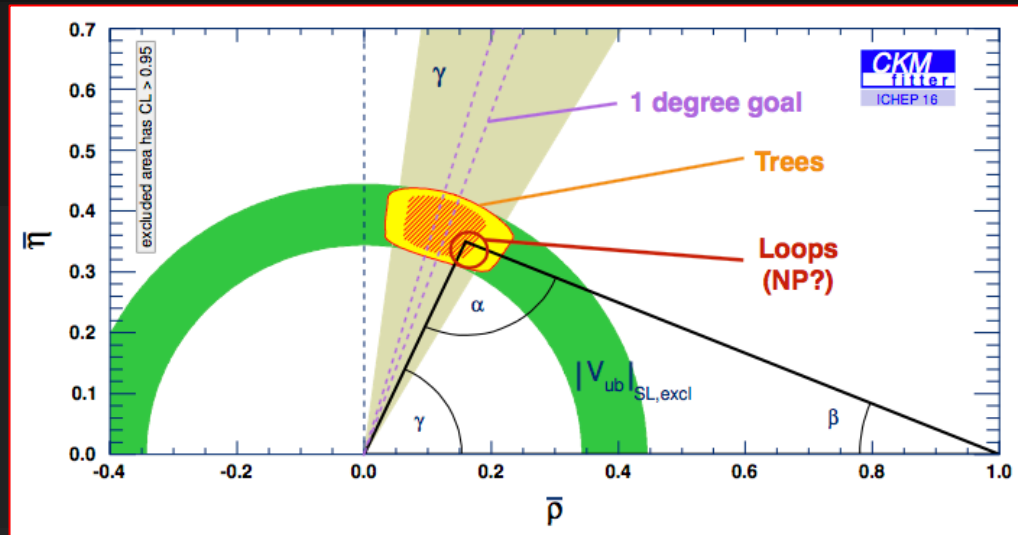
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Is Nature blind to lepton flavour?

Tests for lepton flavour universality in B decays

- *Semitauonic B decays – $R(D^*)$, $R(J/\psi)$*
- *$b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-$ FCNC decays – $R(K^{(*)})$*

- In SM the coupling of gauge bosons with leptons is universal
- Lepton flavour universality can be checked in several B meson decays involving leptons in the final state

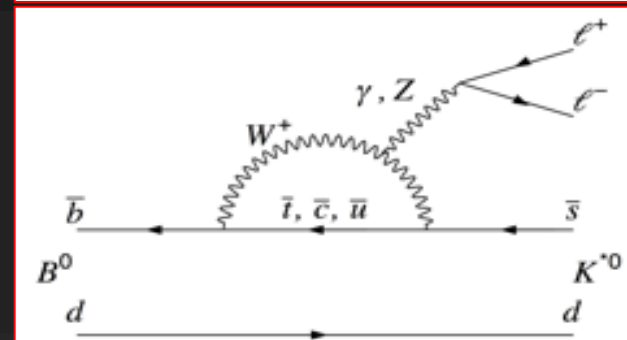
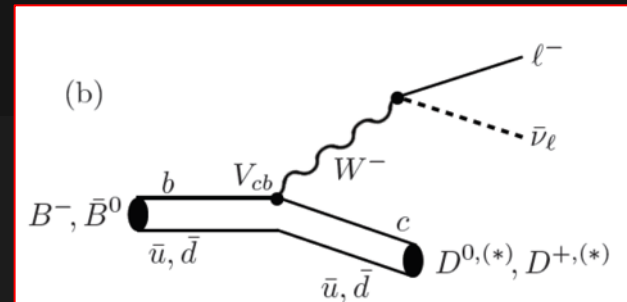
- Two main classes of decays have been studied:

- ★ Semileptonic $B^0 \rightarrow D^{(*)-} l^+ \nu$ - tree level decay
- ★ $b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-$ decays e.g. $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} l^+ l^-$ - FCNC decays

- Observables:

$$R(D^*) = \frac{BF(B \rightarrow D^* \tau \nu)}{BF(B \rightarrow D^* \mu \nu)} \stackrel{\text{SM}}{=} 0.252 \pm 0.003$$

$$R(K^{*}) = BF(B \rightarrow K^{*} \mu^+ \mu^-) / BF(B \rightarrow K^{*} e^+ e^-) \stackrel{\text{SM}}{\sim} 1$$



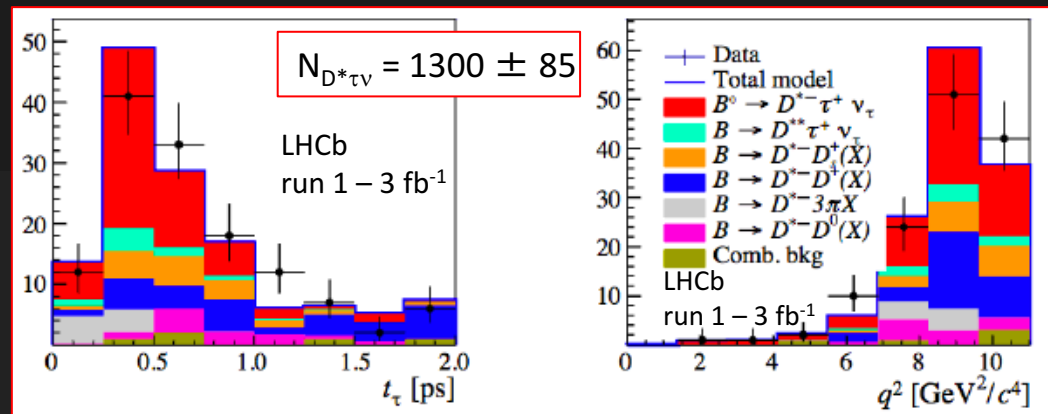
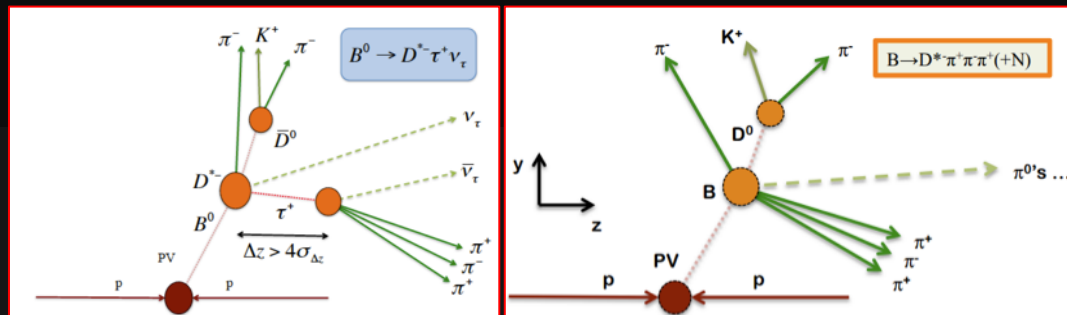
Tests of lepton universality: semitauonic decays - $R(D^*)$

[arXiv:1708.08856]

- Latest measurement from LHCb look at final states $\tau \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \nu$
- Normalisation done through a very similar known final state

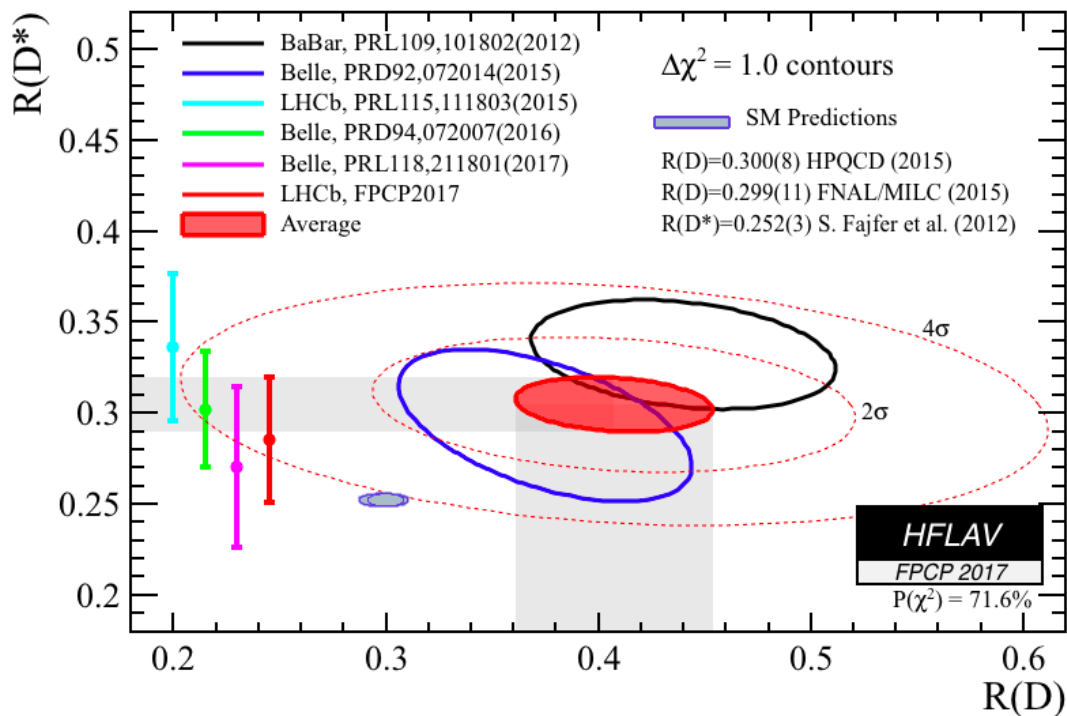
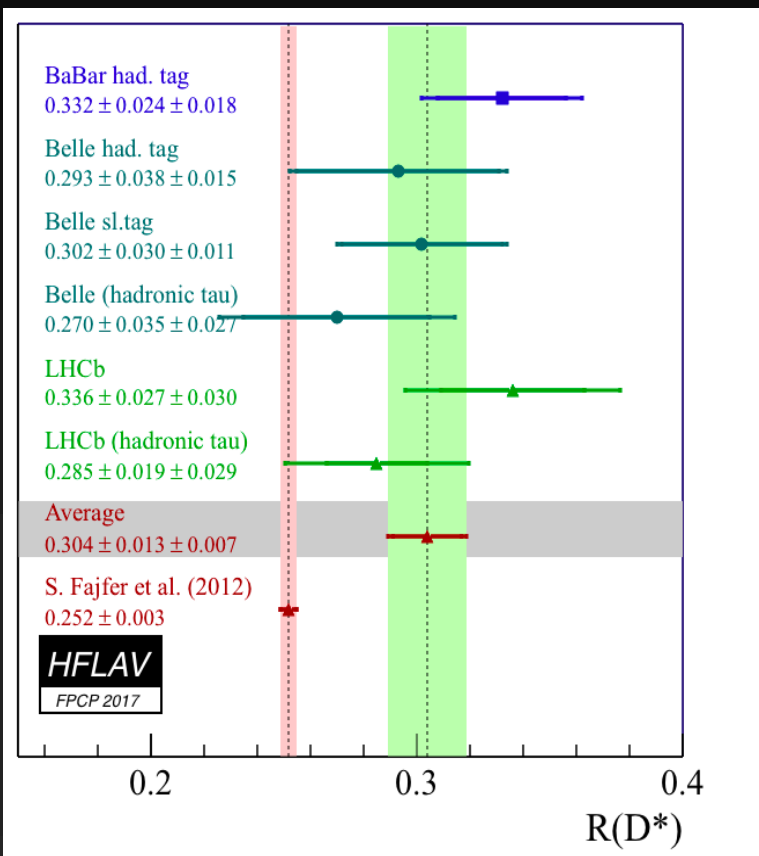
$$R(D^*) = K_{had}(D^*) \times \frac{BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+)}{BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \mu^+ \nu_\mu)}$$

$$K_{had}(D^*) = \frac{BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}{BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+)}$$



$$BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^* \tau \nu) = (1.39 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.06)\%$$

- Kinematical constraints used to close the decay
- Three-dimensional fit in decay time, q^2 and BDT output

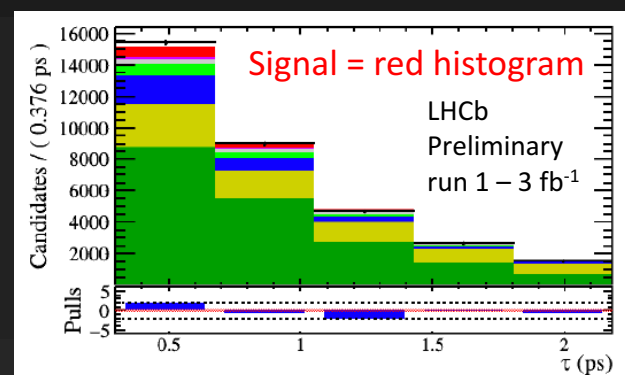
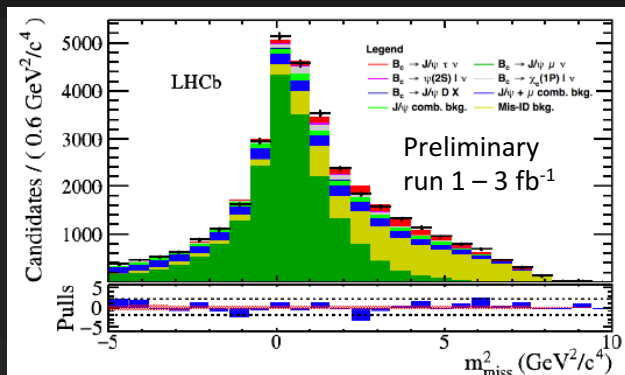
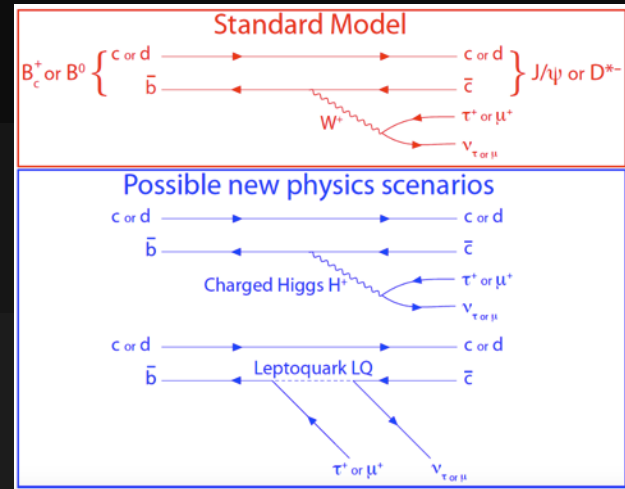


Results are internally consistent and 4σ from SM prediction

- Test of lepton universality using semitauonic B_c decays.
- Generalization of $R(D)$ to the B_c sector:

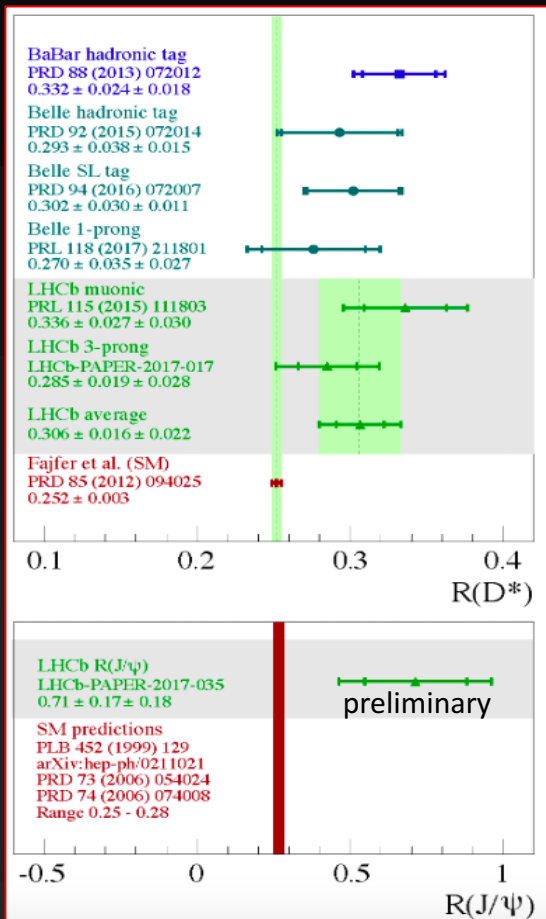
$$R(J/\psi) = BF(B_c \rightarrow J/\psi \tau \nu) / BF(B_c \rightarrow J/\psi \mu \nu)$$

- Theoretical prediction still more uncertain due to the need of precise form factor calculations: in the range 0.25-0.28
- Ongoing LQCD efforts will lead to a more precise estimate
- The analysis makes use of the muonic τ decay



Tests of lepton universality – a new tool: B_c

[LHCb-PAPER-2017-035]



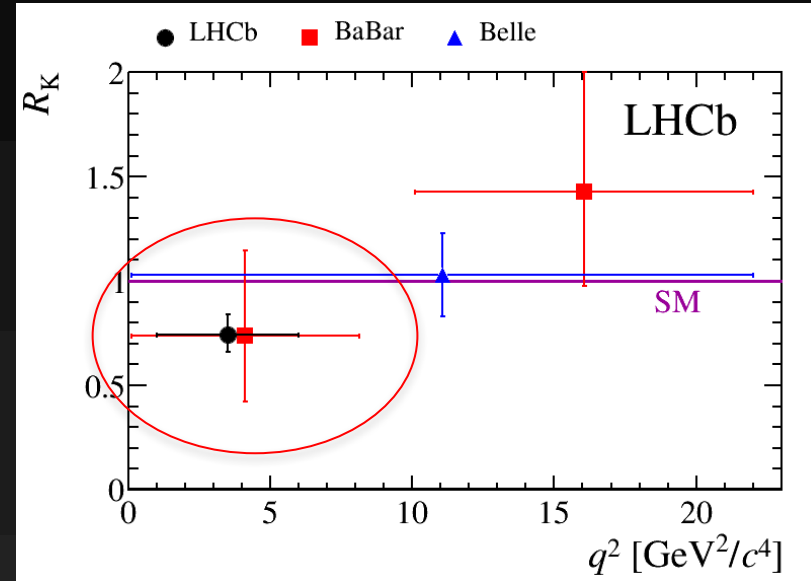
- $R(J/\psi) = 0.71 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.18$ about 2σ from the SM
- Intriguingly, again a measurement above the SM prediction...
- Excellent prospects for the future
- Form-factor related systematics will be reduced by LQCD
- Only LHCb can perform this measurement!

- LHCb measured in 2014 the LFU test ratio

$$R_K = \frac{\int_{q_{\min}^2}^{q_{\max}^2} \frac{d\Gamma[B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-]}{dq^2} dq^2}{\int_{q_{\min}^2}^{q_{\max}^2} \frac{d\Gamma[B^+ \rightarrow K^+ e^+ e^-]}{dq^2} dq^2}$$

$1 < q^2 < 6 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4$

- The result was found to deviate from the Standard Model expectation by 2.6 standard deviations
- Since then a campaign started to make similar measurements with different decay modes

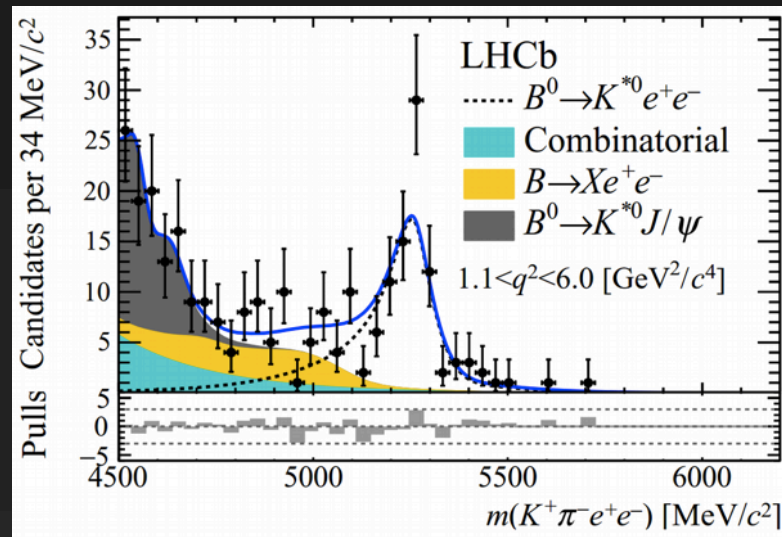
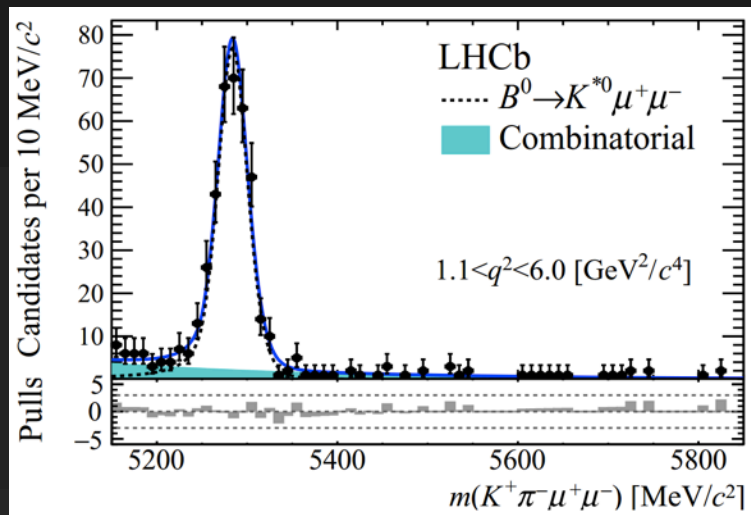


Test the LFU in electroweak penguin decays (e.g. the class of FCNC decays $b \rightarrow s|l^+l^-$)

- For example, study the double ratio $R(K^*)$:

$$\mathcal{R}_{K^{*0}} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-))} \bigg/ \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi (\rightarrow e^+ e^-))}$$

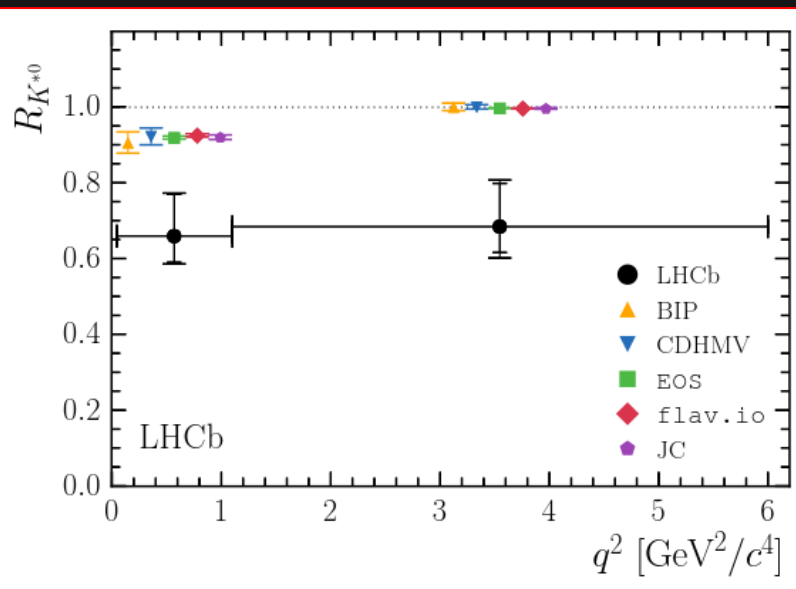
Should be ~ 1 in the SM
1st order systematics in efficiency cancel in double ratio – robust !



Test the LFU in electroweak penguin decays (e.g. the class of FCNC decays $b \rightarrow s l^+ l^-$)

- Results for $R(K^*)$:

[JHEP 08 (2017) 055]



2.1 – 2.3 standard deviations from the Standard Model

$$R_{K^{*0}} = \begin{cases} 0.66 \pm_{-0.07}^{+0.11} (\text{stat}) \pm 0.03 (\text{syst}) & \text{for } 0.045 < q^2 < 1.1 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4 \\ 0.69 \pm_{-0.07}^{+0.11} (\text{stat}) \pm 0.05 (\text{syst}) & \text{for } 1.1 < q^2 < 6.0 \text{ GeV}^2/c^4 \end{cases}$$

2.4 – 2.5 standard deviations from the Standard Model

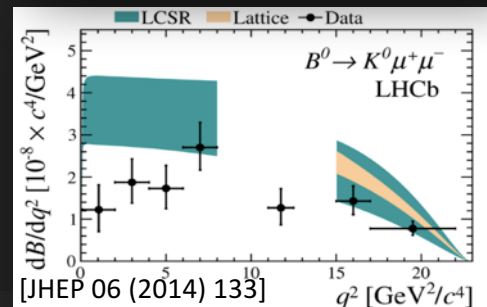
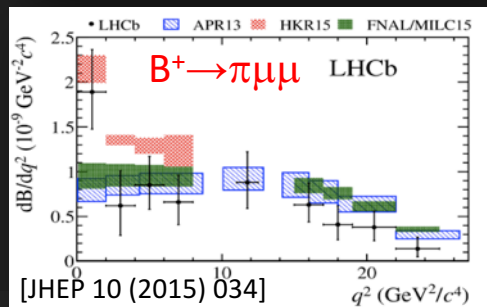
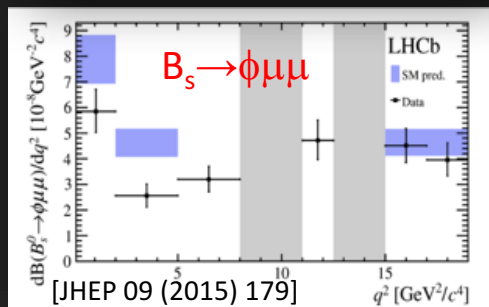
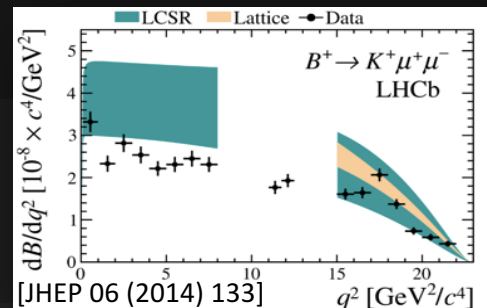
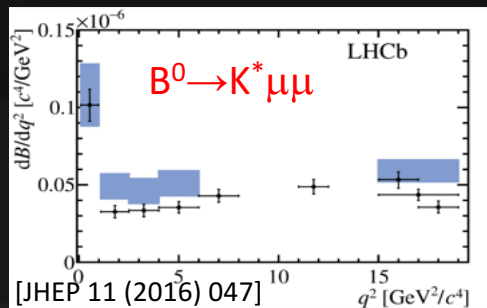
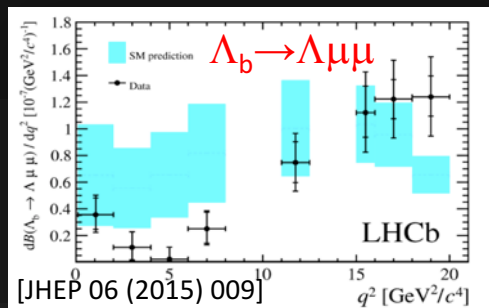
- Too early to claim anything. Updates expected for the winter conferences
- Other channels being explored:
 - $B_s \rightarrow \phi l^+ l^-$ [$\equiv R(\phi)$]
 - $\Lambda_b \rightarrow p K l^+ l^-$ [$\equiv R(pK)$]
 - ...

A picture with multiple tensions

Study of $b \rightarrow sl^+l^-$ decays

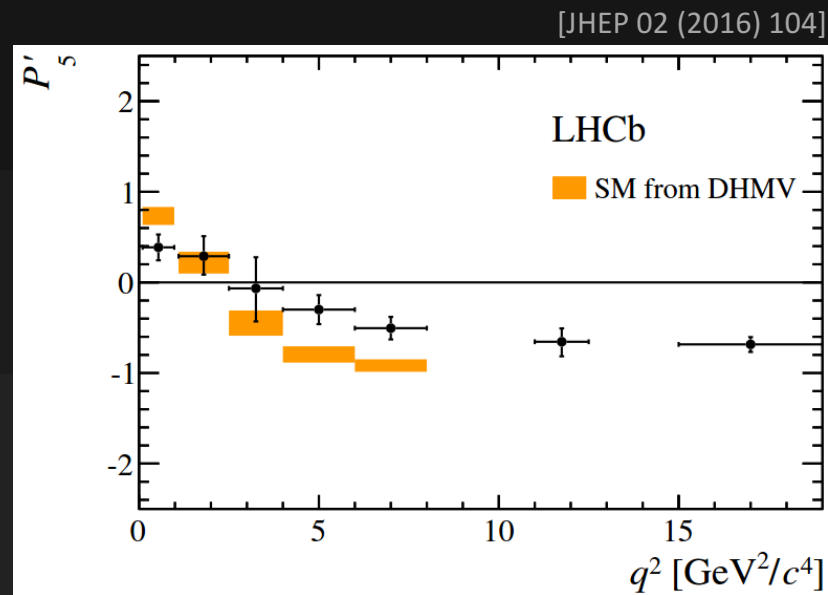
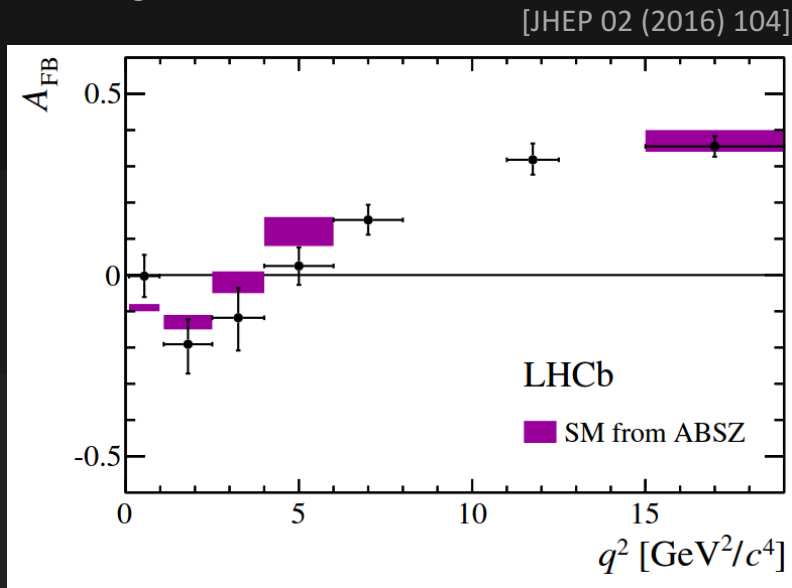
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- Branching fractions: intriguingly consistent tendency for differential x-sections to be smaller than prediction at low q^2



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- Angular observables

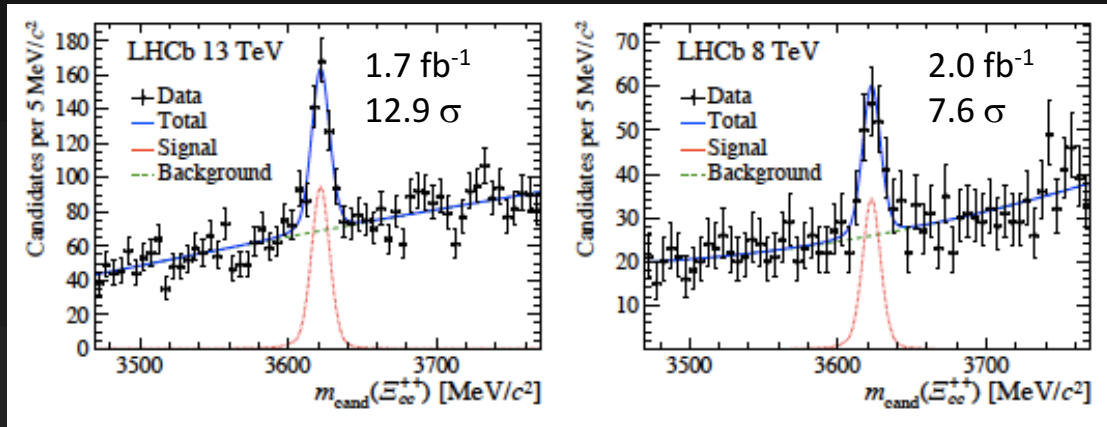


- A whole set of results with slight deviations from theory: more statistics will tell us if this is genuine new physics

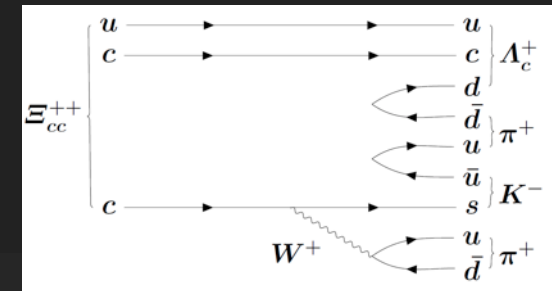
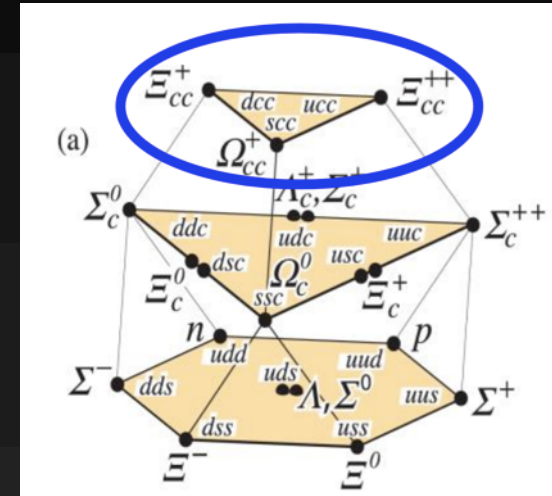
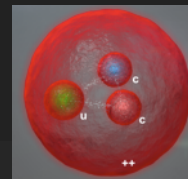
A benchmark for QCD: spectroscopy

New results from heavy hadron spectroscopy

- Doubly charmed baryons predicted by quark model
- Observation of Ξ_{cc}^+ claimed by SELEX [Phys. Lett. B 628 (2005) 18-24]
- No evidence observed by BaBar, FOCUS, Belle and LHCb
- Search in LHCb for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$



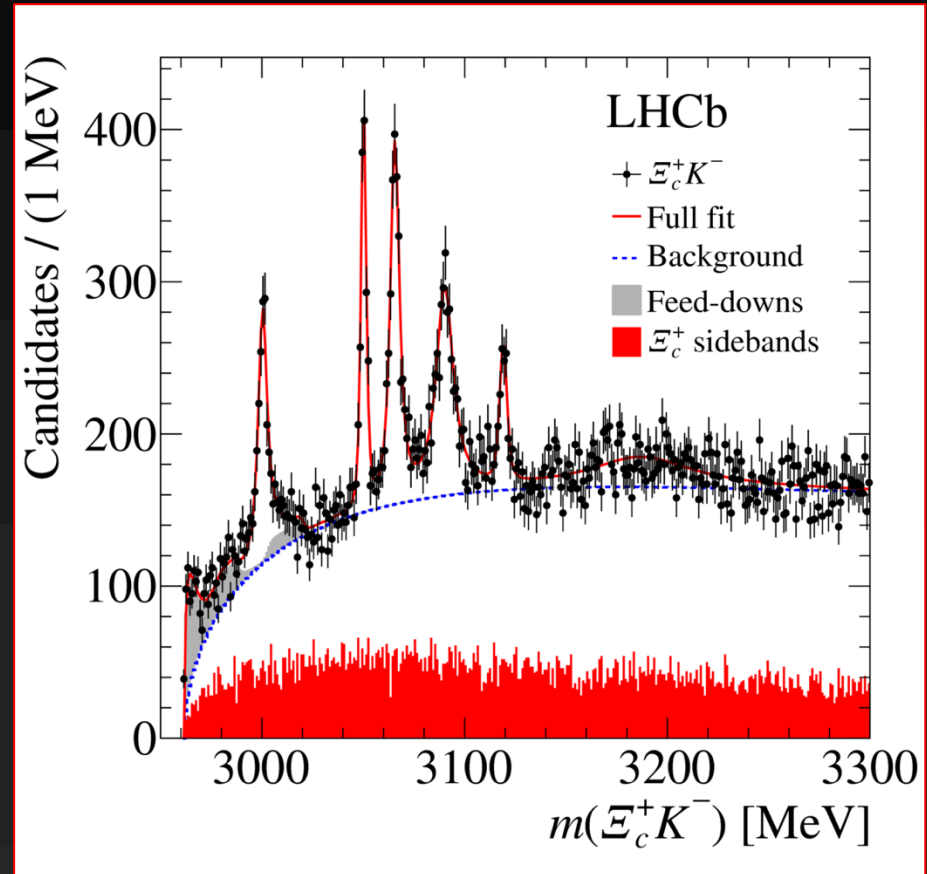
- Combined yield: 426 ± 39
- The mass is measured with the 2016 sample
- $M(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = 3621 \pm 0.72$ (stat) ± 0.31 (syst) MeV/c²
Lattice QCD calculations $m(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = (3606 \pm 11 \pm 8)$ MeV/c²



Observation of five excited Ω_c states

[Phys. Rev. Lett. 118 (2017) 182001]

- Only Ω_c ground states ($J_p = 1/2^+$ and $3/2^+$) were known till now
- Search for Ξ_c ($\rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$) combined with opposite sign kaons
- **5 new narrow states observed in one shot!**
- Most likely a record for the number of narrow states found in a single analysis



LHC: a machine for precision physics

Precise measurement of χ_{c1} and χ_{c2} resonance parameters

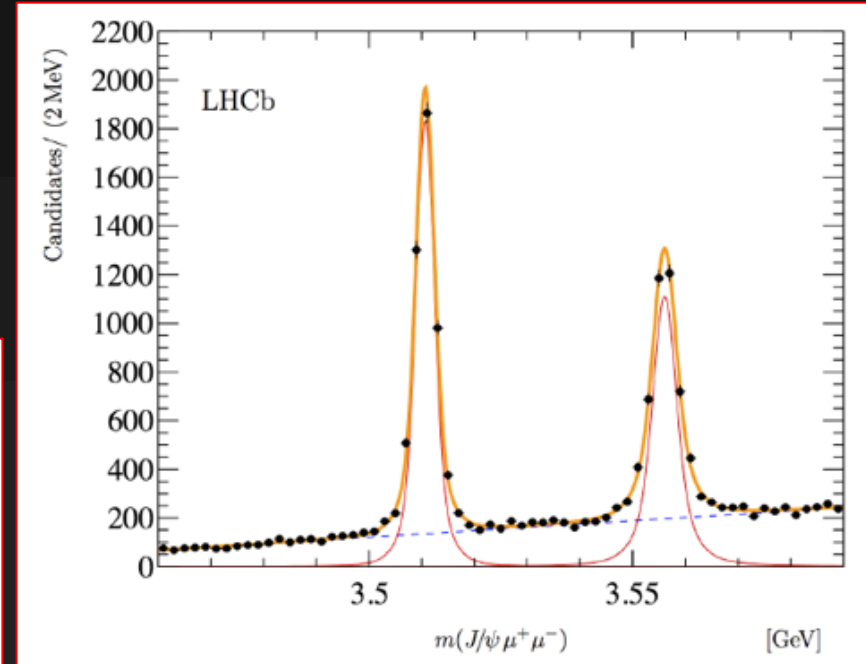
Precise measurement of $\chi_{c1,c2}$ resonance parameters [new]

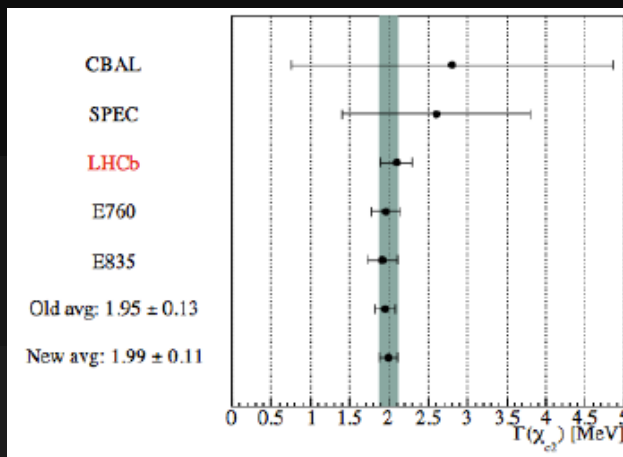
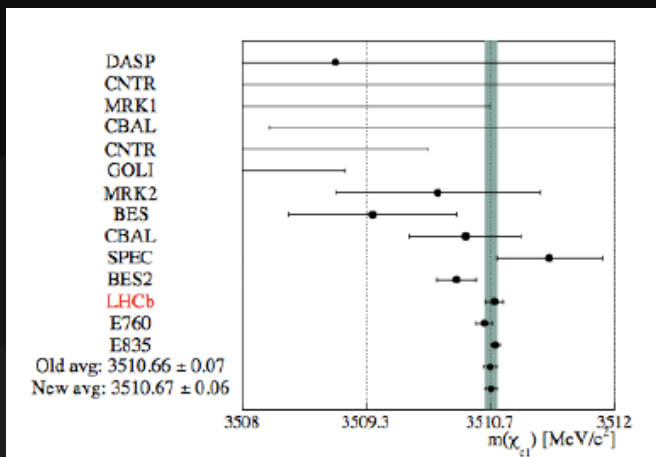
[arXiv:1709.04247]

- LHCb observed for the first time the Dalitz decays $\chi_{c1,c2} \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \mu^-$
- Used full run 1 and run 2 (TURBO) datasets
- **Mass resolution enough to measure the natural width of χ_{c2}**

$$\begin{aligned}m(\chi_{c1}) &= 3510.71 \pm 0.04 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.09 \text{ (syst)} \text{ MeV}/c^2, \\m(\chi_{c2}) &= 3556.10 \pm 0.06 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.11 \text{ (syst)} \text{ MeV}/c^2, \\m(\chi_{c2}) - m(\chi_{c1}) &= 45.39 \pm 0.07 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (syst)} \text{ MeV}/c^2\end{aligned}$$

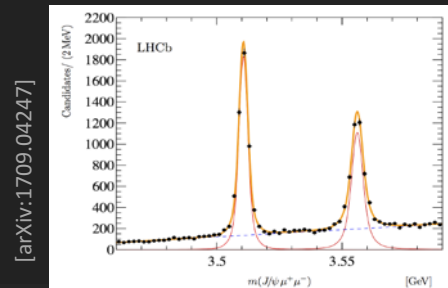
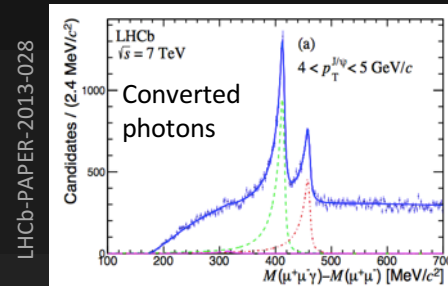
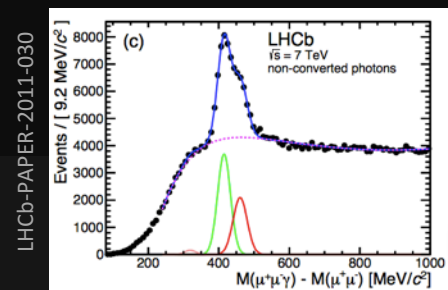
$$\Gamma(\chi_{c2}) = 2.10 \pm 0.20 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (syst)} \text{ MeV}.$$





[arXiv:1709.04247]

- LHCb measurement at the same level of precision of dedicated experiment E760/E835, based on p-pbar resonance scanning
- Major breakthrough in χ_c spectroscopy!
 - ★ Next step is measuring BF x production rate and ratio of BFs
- Lots of opportunities
 - ★ extend studies to $X(3872)$, χ_c^0 , χ_b states

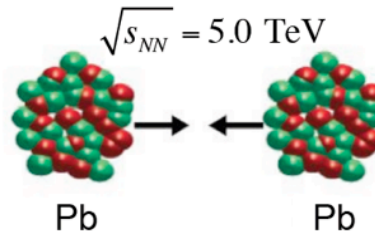
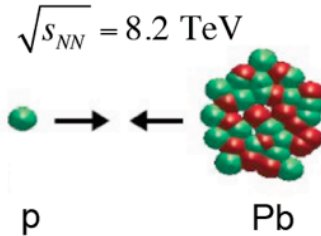


Not only flavour

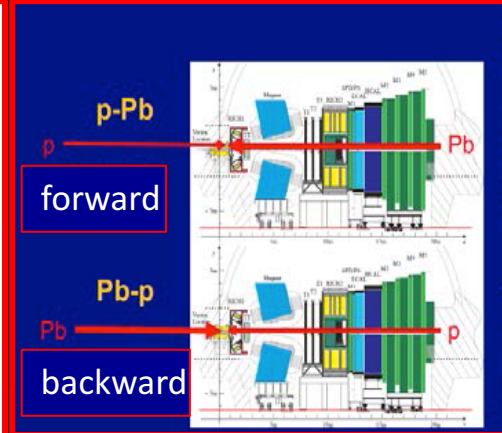
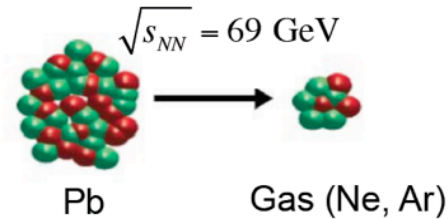
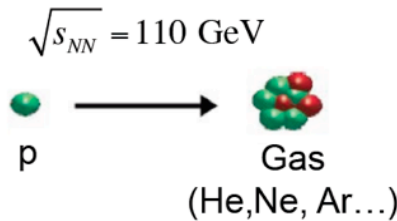
Heavy ion and fixed target physics

- LHCb can operate in collider mode, fixed target mode or both in parallel!

Collider mode



Fixed target mode

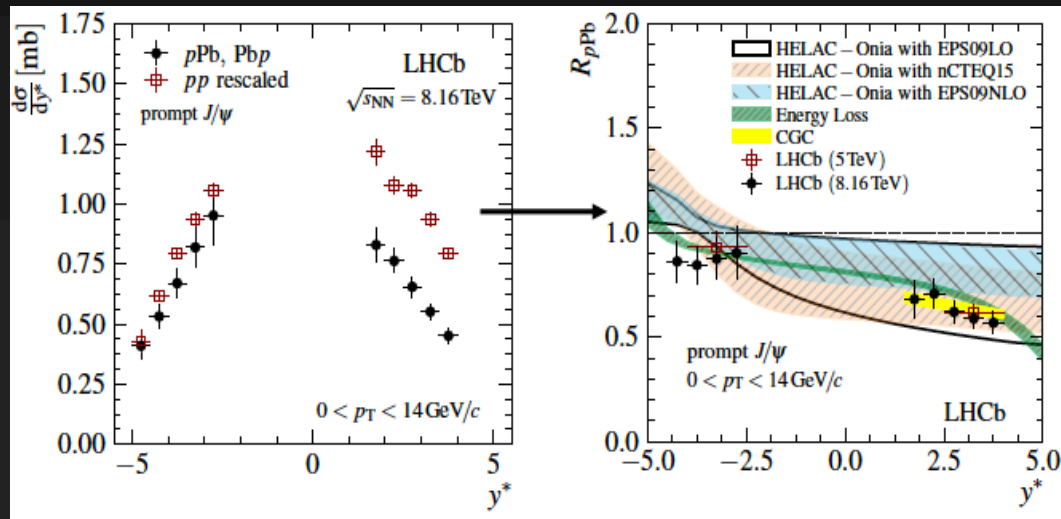


- Collider mode: forward/backward coverage
- Fixed target mode: central and backward coverage with $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ between SPS and RHIC

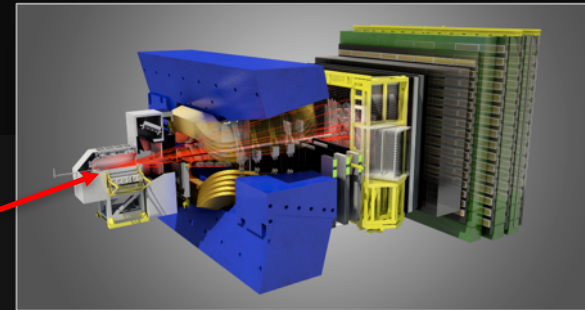
- Nuclear effects are seen in the comparison with pp collisions and in the comparison of pPb with Pbp.
- Use nuclear modification factors and forward-backward asymmetries as observables:

$$R_{pPb}(p_T, y^*) \equiv \frac{1}{A} \frac{d^2\sigma_{pPb}(p_T, y^*)/dp_T dy^*}{d^2\sigma_{pp}(p_T, y^*)/dp_T dy^*} \quad \text{and} \quad R_{FB}(p_T, y^*) \equiv \frac{d^2\sigma_{pPb}(p_T, +y^*)/dp_T dy^*}{d^2\sigma_{pPb}(p_T, -y^*)/dp_T dy^*}$$

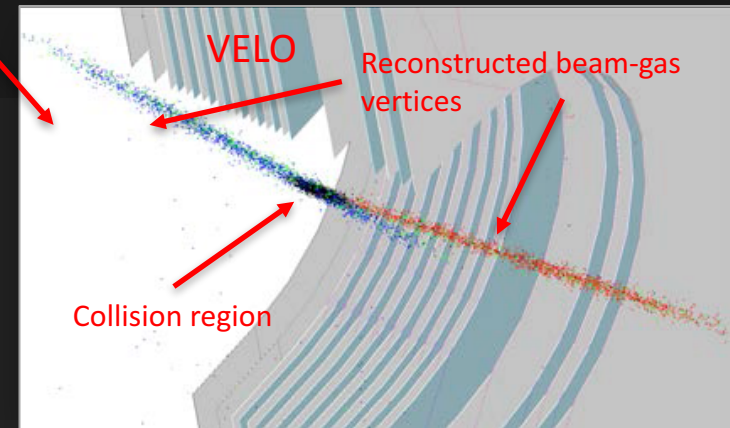
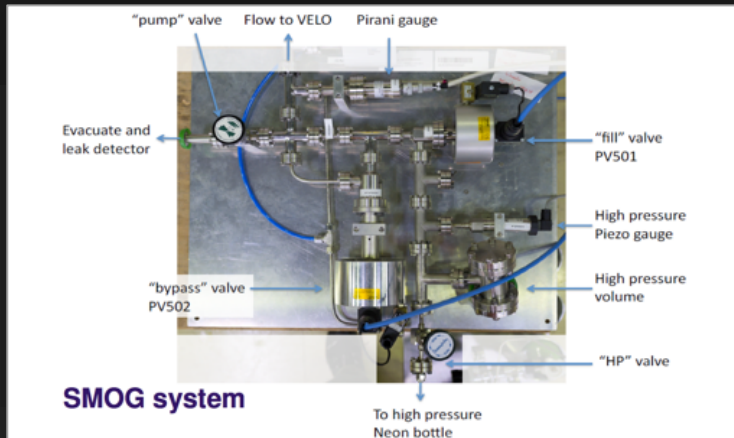
- Analysis made using candidates selected via the TURBO stream
- **First heavy ion physics LHC paper with 2016 pPb run data!**
- Suppression clearly visible in the forward region
- Good agreement with theoretical models especially color glass condensate and energy loss



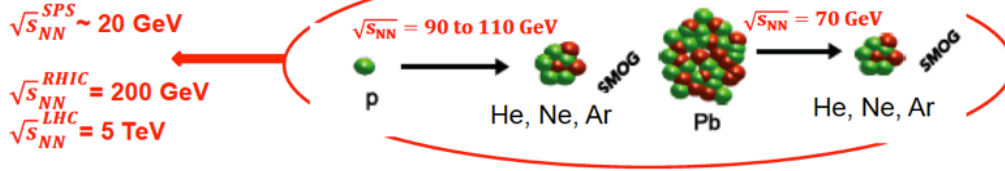
- LHCb has a “fixed-target like” geometry
- Very well suited for. . . fixed target physics!
- The System for Measuring Overlap with Gas (SMOG) **allows to inject small amount of noble gas (He, Ne, Ar, . . .) inside the LHC beam** around (20 m) the LHCb collision region
- Expected pressure 2×10^{-7} mbar
- **Originally designed to measure the luminosity**



Imaging of beams with gas collisions

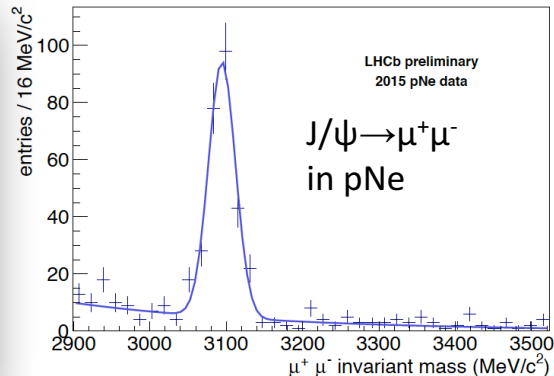
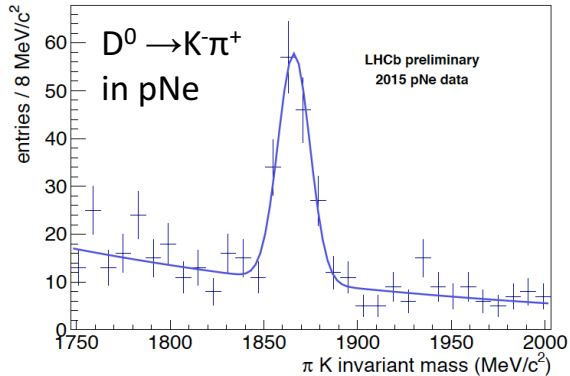


– Fixed-target mode

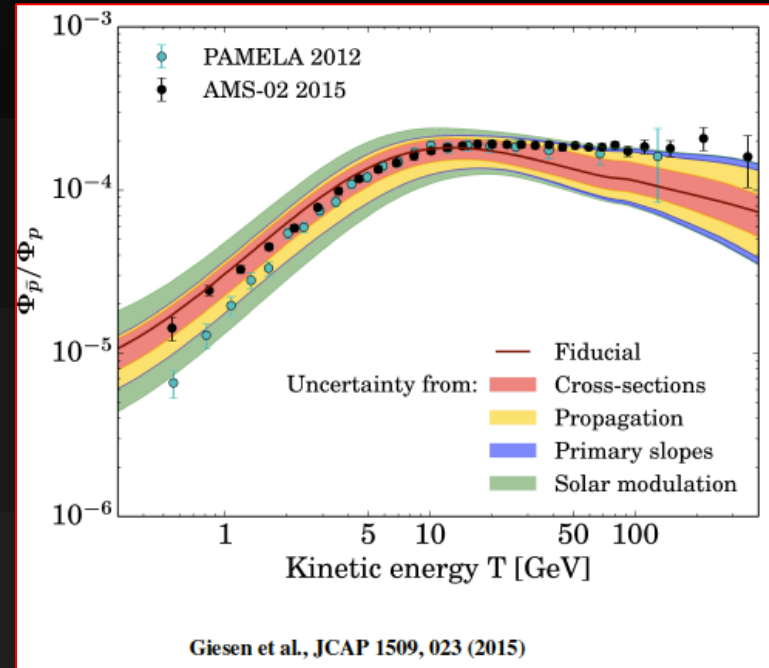


$$\text{LHCb rapidity } 2.5 < y_{\text{LHCb}} < 4.5 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 7 \text{ TeV beam:} & -2.3 < y_{\text{LHCb}}^* < -0.3 \\ 2.75 \text{ TeV beam:} & -1.8 < y_{\text{LHCb}}^* < 0.2 \end{cases}$$

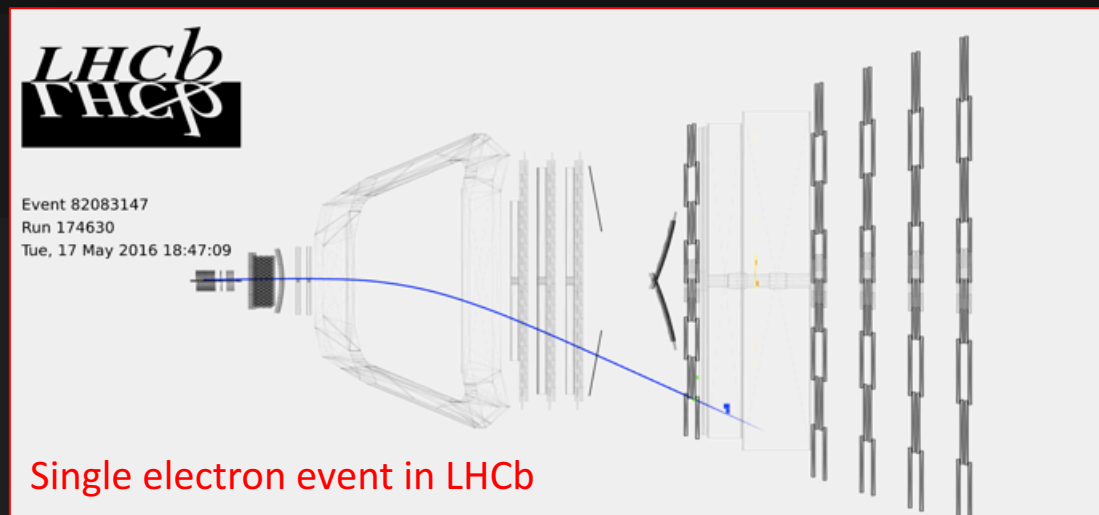
- Collisions at energies unique to LHCb
- Energies between SPS and RHIC
- Probes the negative rapidity region
- **COSMIC RAY PHYSICS @ LHCb:**
pHe collisions will provide $\sigma(\text{pHe} \rightarrow \bar{p} X)$ crucial for the interpretation of major cosmic ray physics results



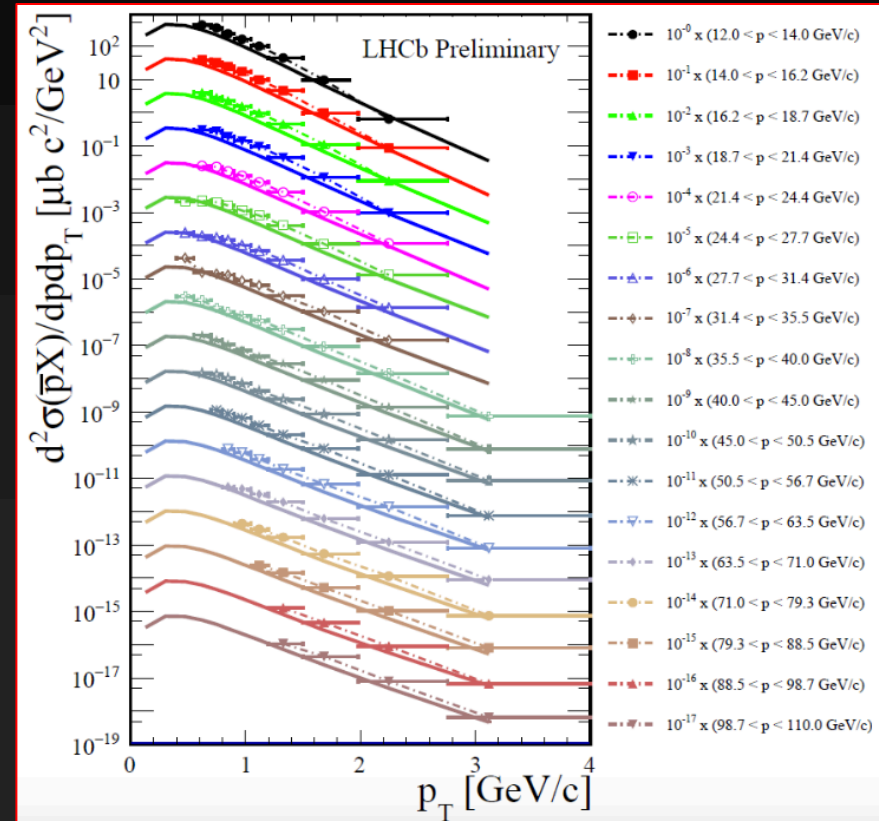
- The recent AMS02 results provide unprecedented accuracy for measurement of anti-p/p ratio in cosmic rays at high energies [PRL 117, 091103 (2016)]
- Hint for a possible excess, and milder energy dependence than expected
- Prediction for anti-p/p ratio from spallation of primary cosmic rays on interstellar medium (H and He) is presently limited by uncertainties on anti-p production cross-sections, particularly for p-He
- No previous measurement of anti-p production in p-He, predictions from soft QCD models vary within a factor 2
- The LHC energy scale and LHCb+SMOG are very well suited to perform this measurement



- LHCb took p-He collision data in May 2016, with proton energy 6.5 TeV, $v_{s_{NN}} = 110$ GeV
- Anti-protons are identified using the RICH detectors
- The luminosity is measured using elastic scattering of protons on atomic electrons
 - ★ Fully elastic regime in the LHCb acceptance
 - ★ Very well known theoretically
- A luminosity measurement at the 10% level can be obtained (main uncertainty: gas contamination !)
- $\mathcal{L} = 0.443 \pm 0.011 \pm 0.027 \text{ nb}^{-1}$



- Antiproton cross section measured with 10% precision
 - ★ The measurement is larger by 1.5 with respect to EPOS LHC
- Now waiting for theoretical interpretation
- Additional production measurements are also important
 - ★ antiprotons from Λ
 - ★ anti-deuterium
 - ★ anti-He
 - ★ Positrons
 - ★ Prompt photons
- Rich programme to develop!



The LHCb upgrade

- An LHCb Upgrade is scheduled, with installation in 2019-2020 (LHC LS2) and first data-taking in Run 3 (2021-2023). The motivation is to take increased advantage of the huge rate of heavy-flavour production at the LHC.

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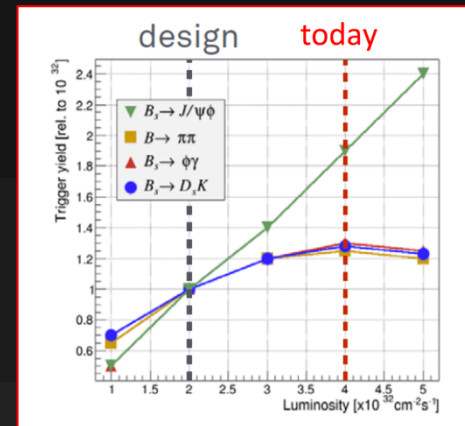
- Allows effective operation at higher luminosity
- Improved efficiency in hadronic modes

2. Raise operational luminosity by factor five

to $2 \times 10^{33} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

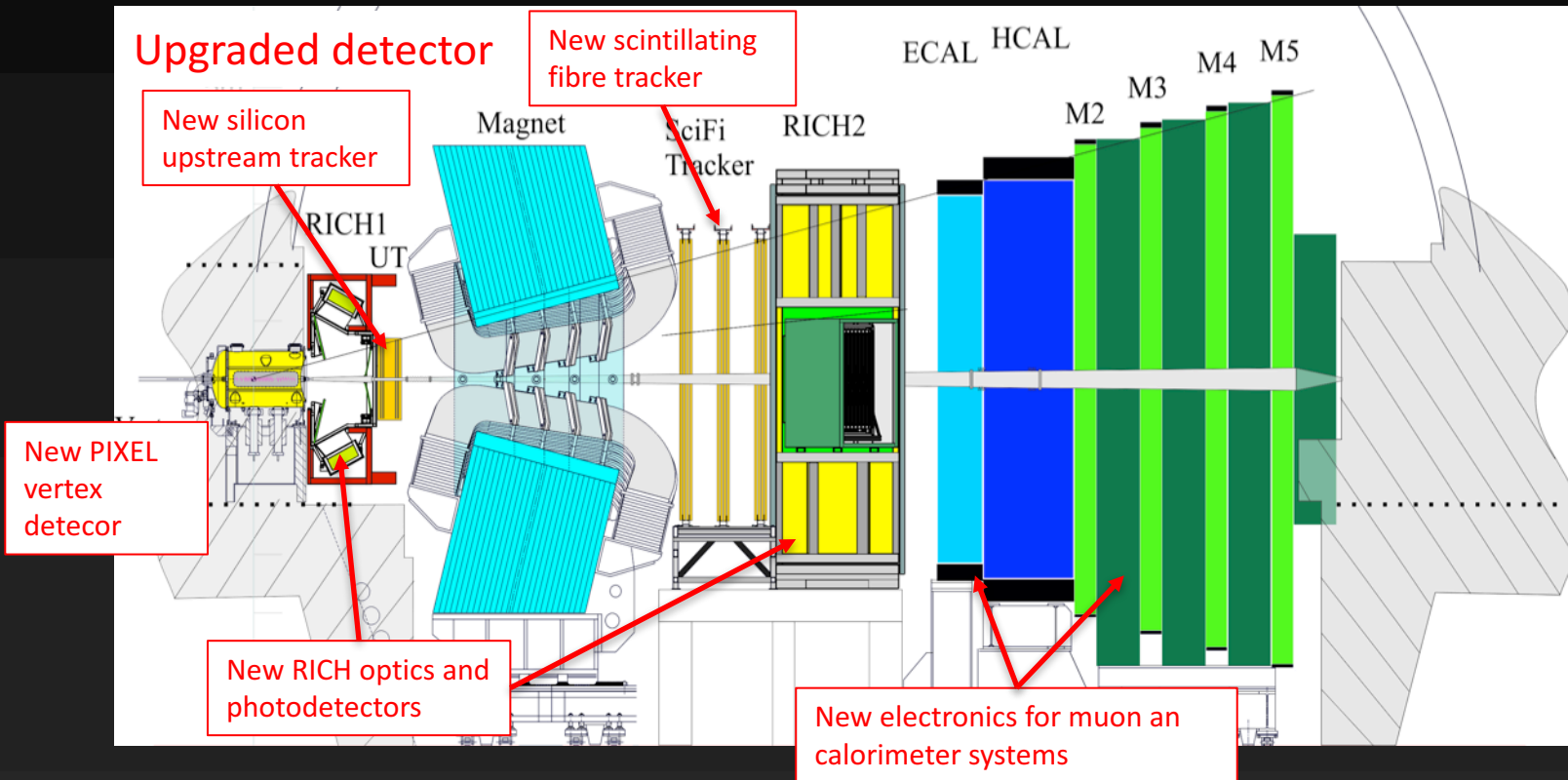
- Necessitates redesign of several sub-detectors and overhaul of readout

- Huge increase in precision, in many cases to the theoretical limit, and the ability to perform studies beyond the reach of the current detector.
- Flexible trigger and unique acceptance also opens up opportunities in other topics apart from flavour ('a general purpose detector in the forward region')



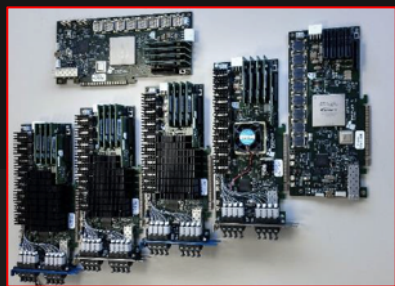
The LHCb upgrade in a snapshot

All sub-detectors read out at 40 MHz for a **fully software trigger**

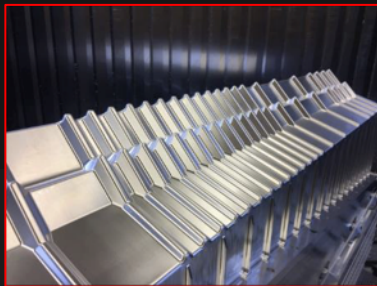


- Construction well advanced, aim at installation in 2019

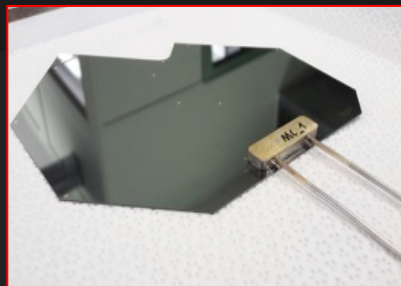
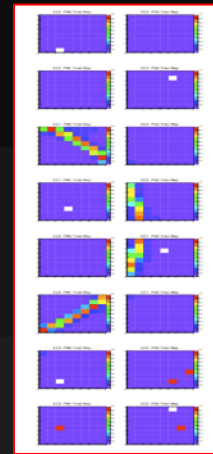
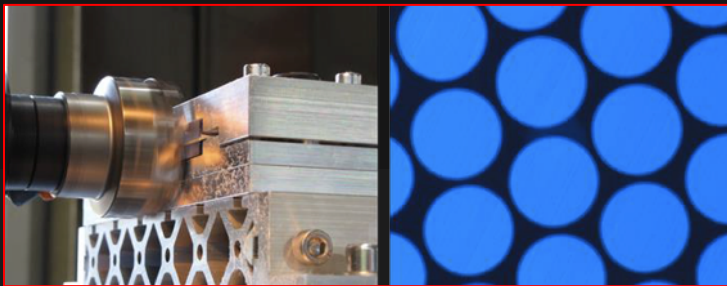
Prototypes of DAQ board (PCIe40)



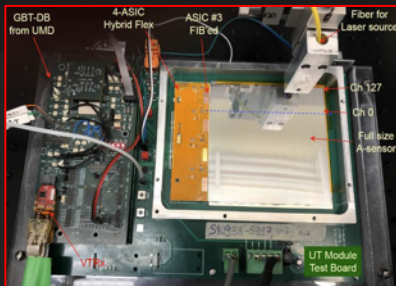
VELO RF-foil (250 um thick machined aluminum foil)



Machining and light scan of the scintillating fiber mats for the fibre tracker



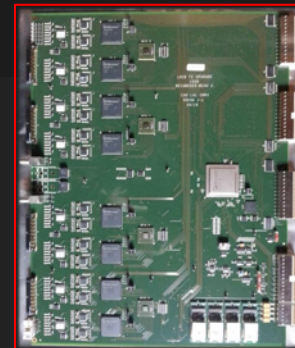
Si μ channel cooling plate for VELO with soldered connector
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Upstream Tracker silicon sensor module under test



First scintillating fibre modules arriving at CERN



Calorimeter front-end board

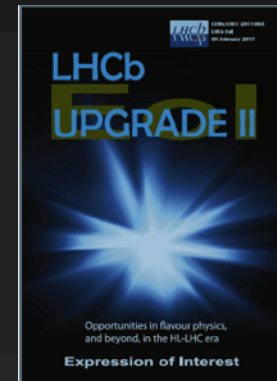


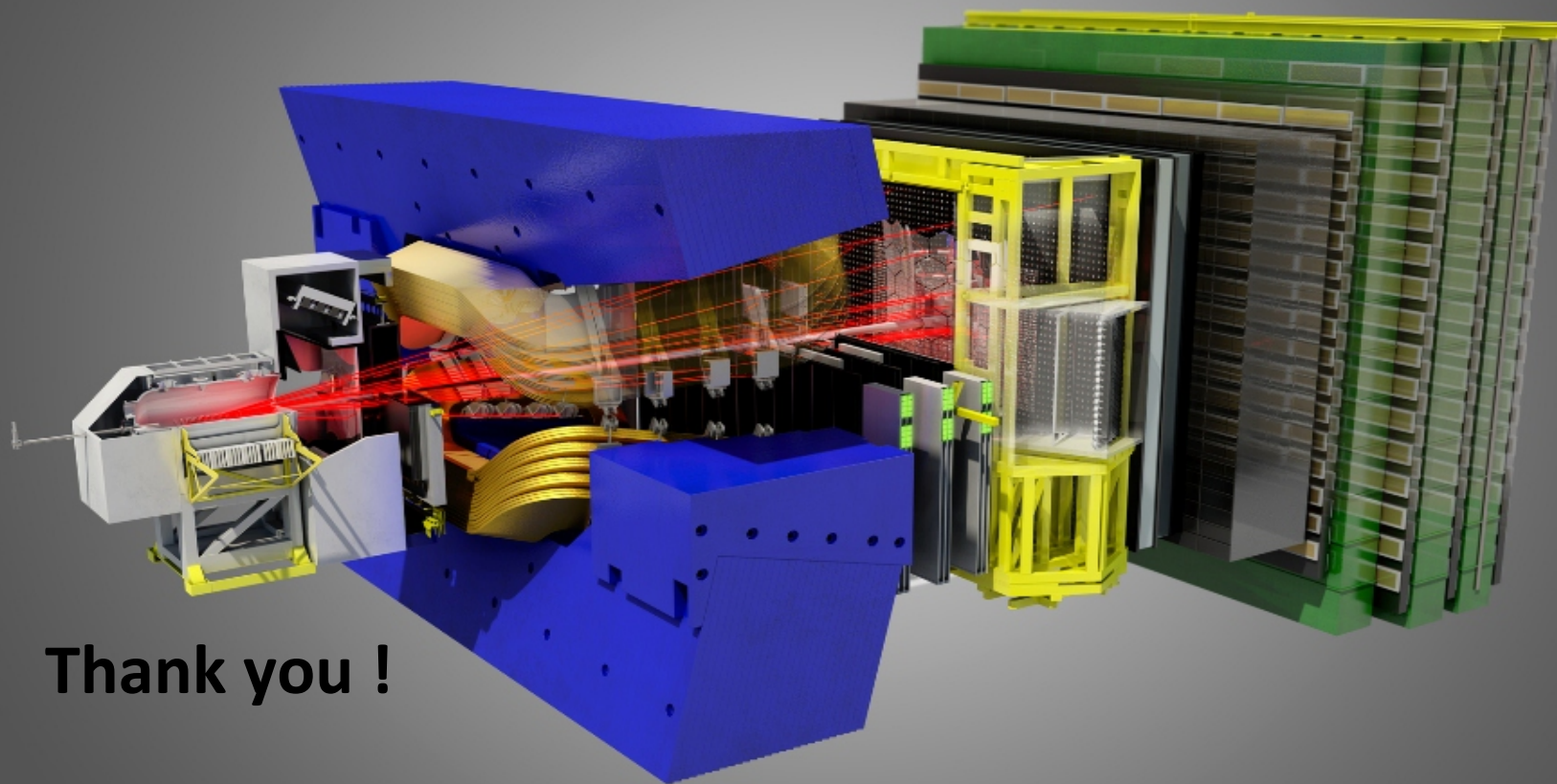
Cherenkov ring from a full RICH MaPMT module

Muon system readout ASIC

Conclusions and outlook

- LHCb is providing a wealth of excellent physics results
- Not only flavour physics: LHCb is definitely a general purpose experiment in the forward region
 - ★ Electroweak physics, heavy ions, fixed target programme
- Some very intriguing results
 - ★ Are they statistical fluctuations ? Updates expected for the winter conference !
- Preparing a fully upgraded detector for run 3
- Looking into the far future: Expression of Interest for future upgrades
 - ★ Recently INFN GR5 call awarded to Florence (+ others) to develop 3D diamond diamond sensors with high timing resolution





Thank you !