

Search of New Physics in leptonic and semileptonic decays of the neutral B_s^0 meson at LHCb

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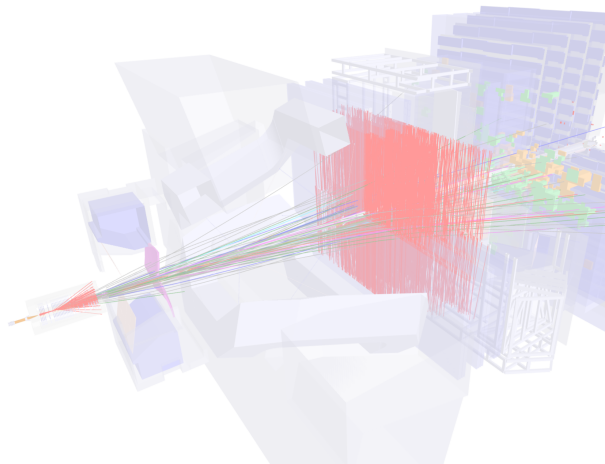


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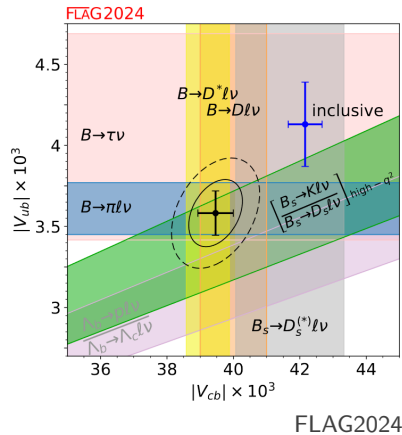
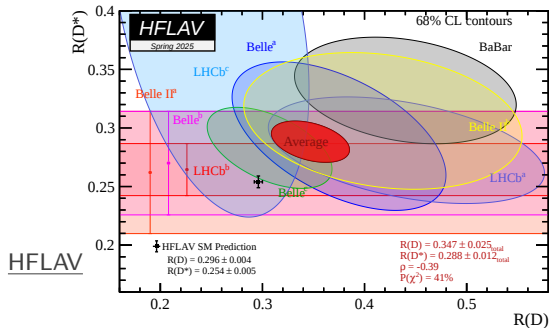
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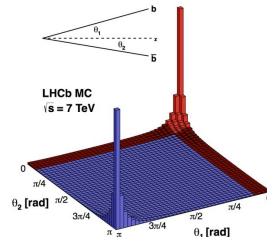
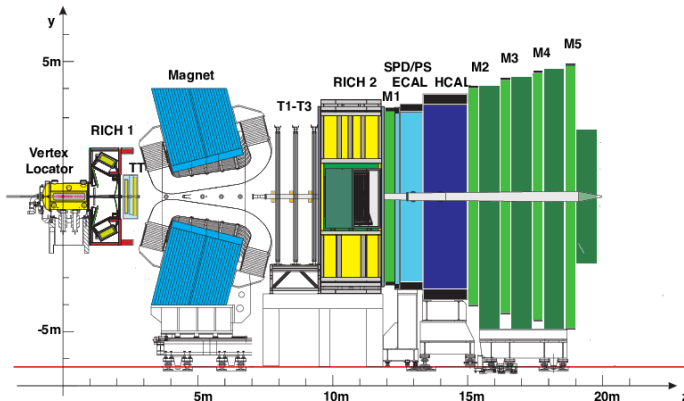
New Physics search at LHCb



Several **anomalies** have been detected in the past years in the flavour sector of the Standard Model (SM), pointing at possible New Physics contributions (NP) that we still have to understand



LHCb is a **single-arm spectrometer** designed to detect heavy hadrons produced in pp collisions, study CP violation and rare decays



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Semileptonic decays

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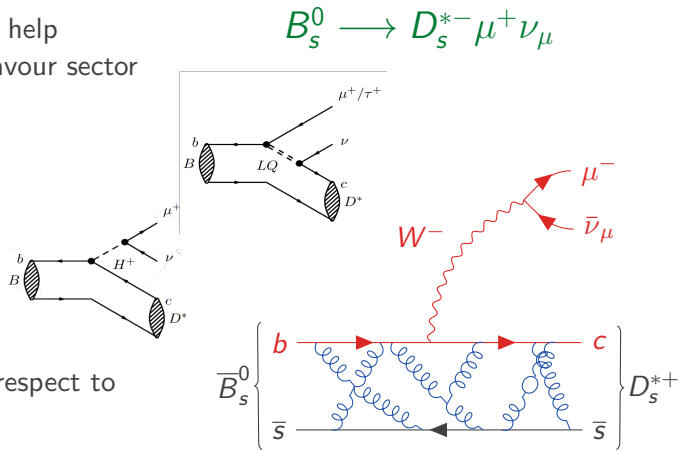


The study of **semileptonic** decays could help shedding light on the tensions in the flavour sector because:

- **one** diagram, **tree-level** process
- **EW** transition
- **QCD** interaction
- sensitivity to **New Physics**

Additionally:

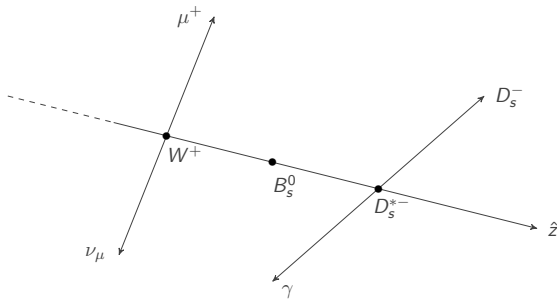
- **simpler** lattice computations with respect to B^0 and B^+ (due to s quark)





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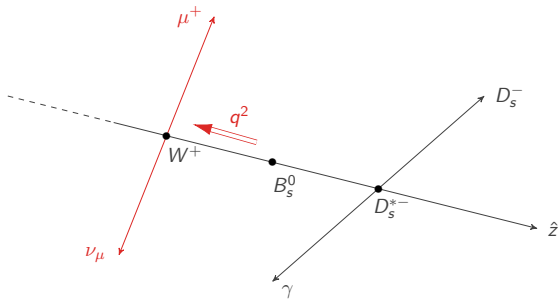


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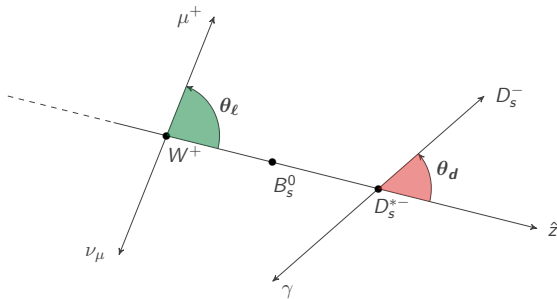
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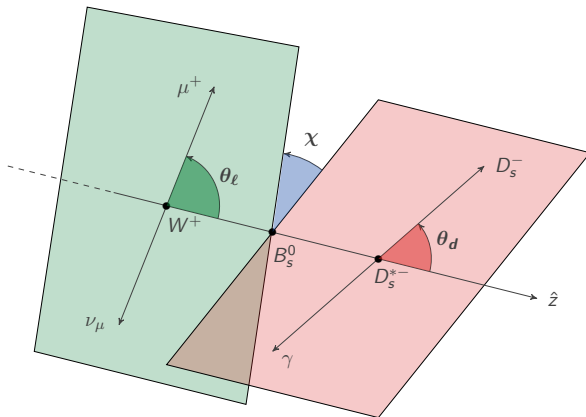
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 - * Modifying the $I_i(q^2)$ functions and considering a **New Physics** coupling constant ϵ_{NP} , different structures for NP can be implemented:

$$I_i(q^2) \implies I_i(q^2, \epsilon_{\text{NP}})$$

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Preliminary results have been published on a PoS paper after Italian Workshop on the High Energy Physics (WIFAI2024)

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Measurement of the differential distributions of $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^{*\pm} \mu^+ \nu_\mu$ decay with the LHCb detector

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This analysis aims to conduct a comprehensive study of the decay kinematics of the semileptonic decay $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^{*\pm} \mu^+ \nu_\mu$, with $D_s^{*+} \rightarrow D_s^+ \gamma$ and $D_s^{*-} \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^-$, using data collected by the LHCb experiment in Run 2. A first measurement of the form factors describing the B_s^0 meson semileptonic decay is provided, performing a four-dimensional binned fit in the space given by the variables describing the decay kinematics, namely q^2 , $\cos \theta_L$, $\cos \theta_H$ and χ . Taking into account the detector acceptance, as well as the reconstruction efficiencies and the resolution effects, the full differential distribution is obtained; then, a fit to this distribution is performed using different parameterizations for the $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^*$ transition form factors. Furthermore, the unfolded distributions are compared with the theoretical predictions and the Belle-II experiment results. Finally, using the unfolded shapes, a model-independent approach is tested and its compatibility with the model-dependent results is studied.

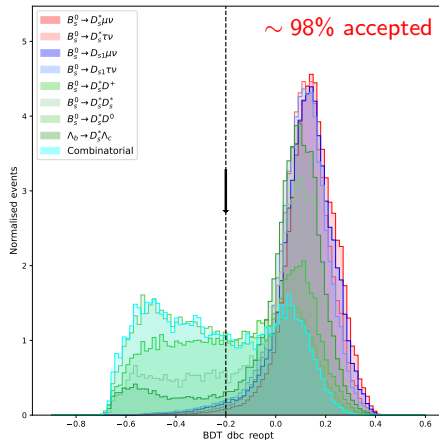
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Access
Comparisons



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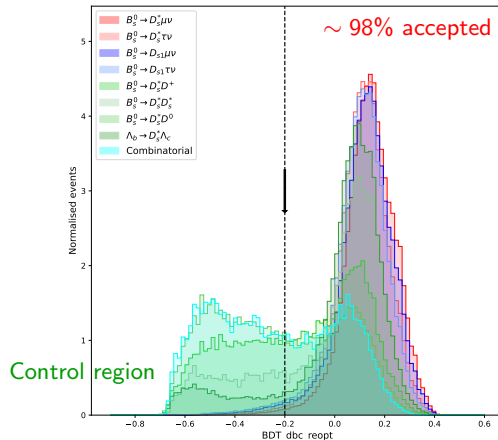
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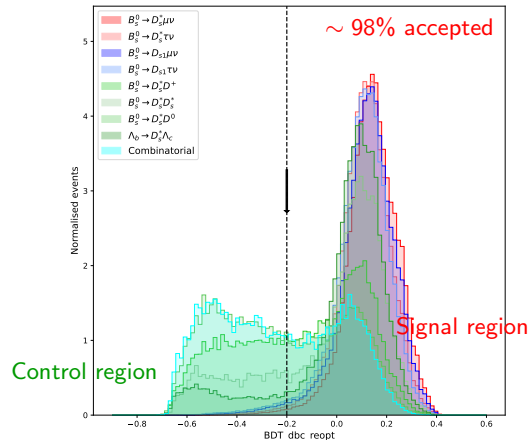
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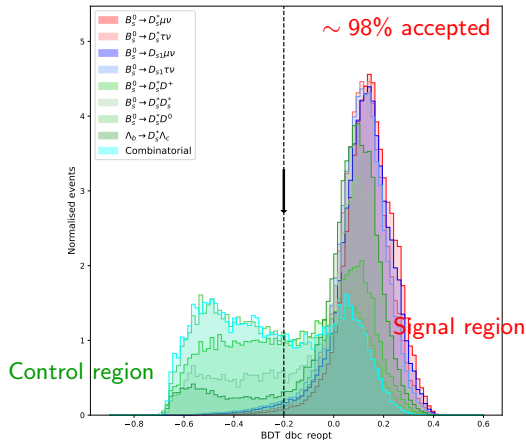
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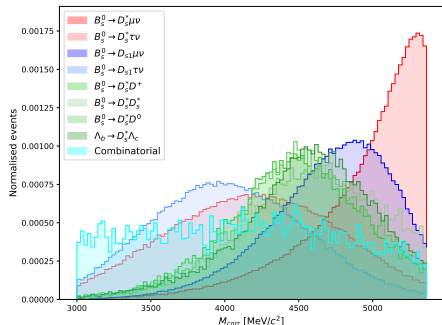
Use the control region to **constrain background channels**





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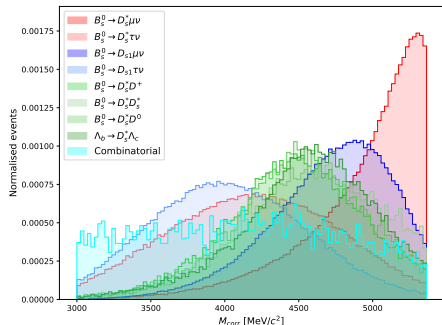
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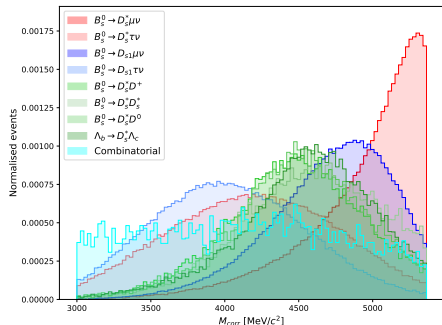
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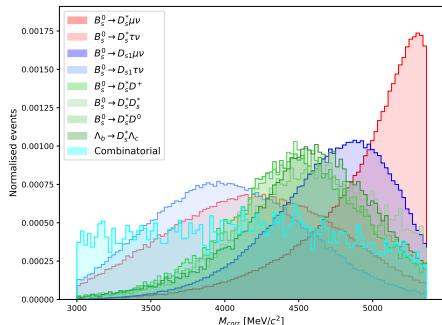
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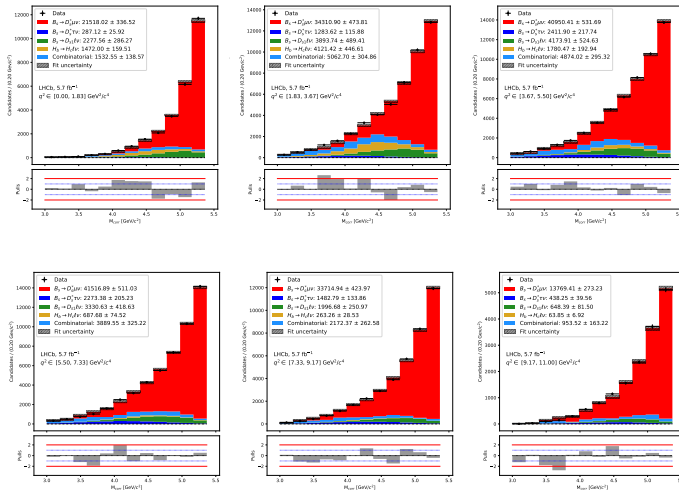
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- second fit over **all bins**, fixing background templates



Results in q^2 bins in the signal region

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q^2 [GeV²/c⁴] Signal [%]

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[3.67, 5.50] 76

[5.50, 7.33] 80

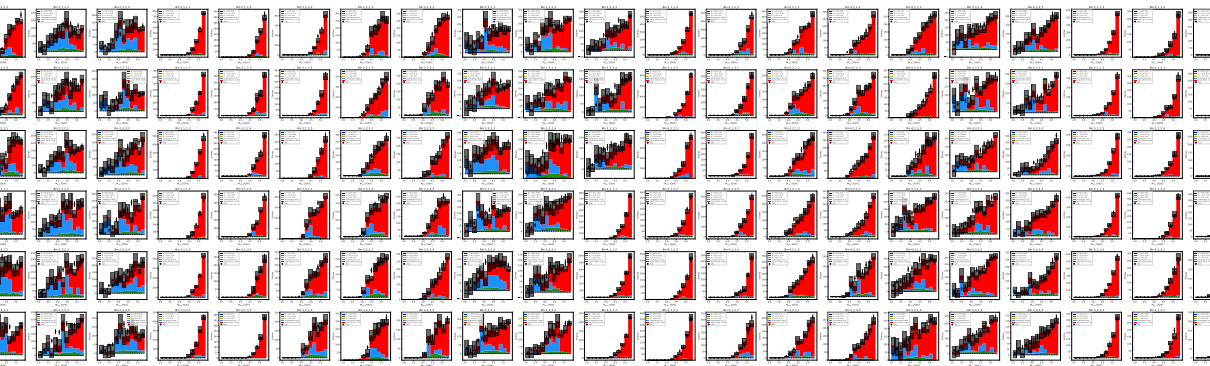
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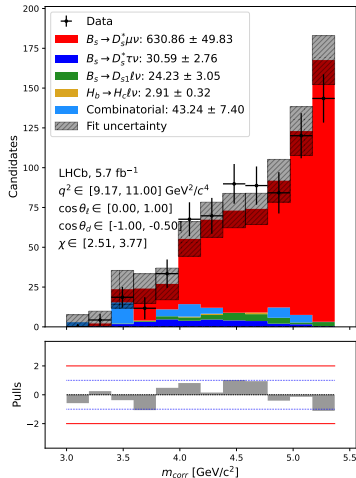
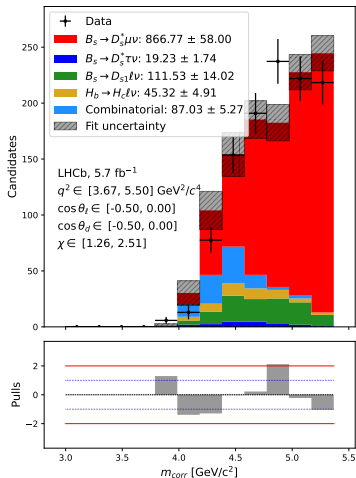


Well, it's impossible to visualize them all...



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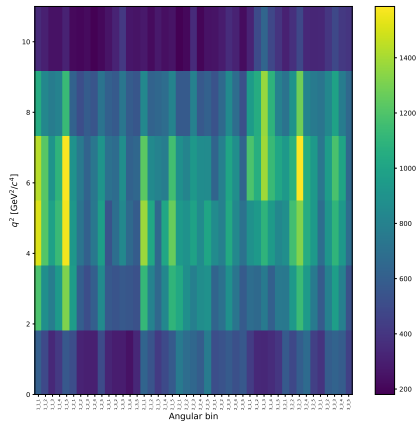
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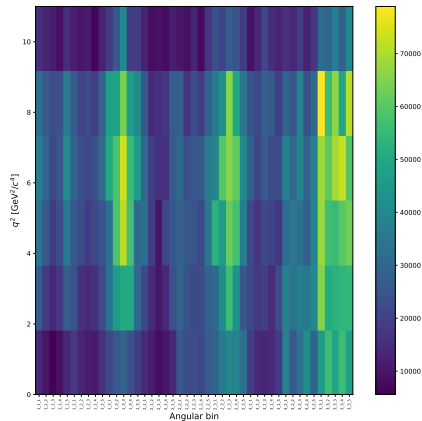


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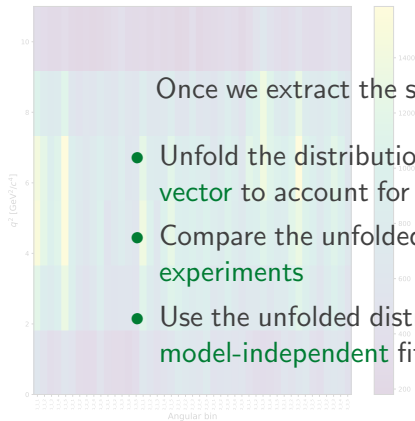


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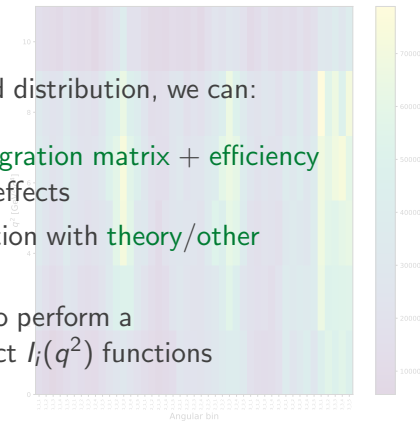
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Once we extract the signal yield distribution, we can:

- Unfold the distribution with **migration matrix** + **efficiency vector** to account for detector effects
- Compare the unfolded distribution with **theory/other experiments**
- Use the unfolded distribution to perform a **model-independent** fit to extract $I_i(q^2)$ functions



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Model-independent $I_i(q^2)$ determination

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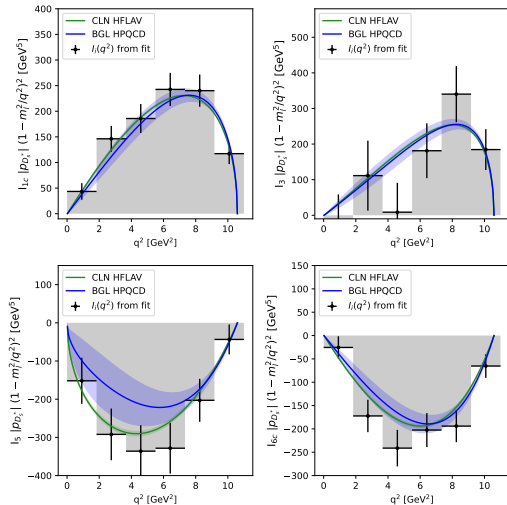
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where $\zeta_{i,l}(\theta_{\ell}, \theta_d, \chi)$ are analytically computable. We have $\sim 6 \times 10$ free parameters.
After the fit we can extract **CLN/BGL** parameters from the $J_i(q^2)$ shapes.



New Physics from $I_i(q^2)$ shapes

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$$+ I_{2c} (3 + \cos 2\theta_d) \cos 2\theta_\ell + I_3 \sin^2 \theta_d \sin^2 \theta_\ell \cos 2\chi$$

$$+ I_4 \sin 2\theta_d \sin 2\theta_\ell \cos \chi + I_5 \sin 2\theta_d \sin \theta_\ell \cos \chi$$

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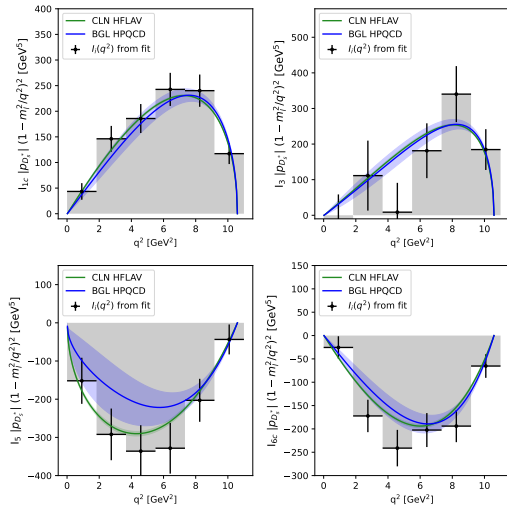
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$$\propto \left[I_{1s} \sin^2 \theta_d + I_{1c} (3 + \cos 2\theta_d) + I_{2s} \sin^2 \theta_d \cos 2\theta_\ell \right. \\ + I_{2c} (3 + \cos 2\theta_d) \cos 2\theta_\ell + I_3 \sin^2 \theta_d \sin^2 \theta_\ell \cos 2\chi \\ + I_4 \sin 2\theta_d \sin 2\theta_\ell \cos \chi + I_5 \sin 2\theta_d \sin \theta_\ell \cos \chi \\ + I_{6s} \sin^2 \theta_d \cos \theta_\ell + I_{6c} (3 + \cos 2\theta_d) \cos \theta_\ell \\ + I_7 \sin 2\theta_d \sin \theta_\ell \sin \chi + I_8 \sin 2\theta_d \sin 2\theta_\ell \sin \chi \\ \left. + I_9 \sin^2 \theta_d \sin^2 \theta_\ell \sin 2\chi \right]$$

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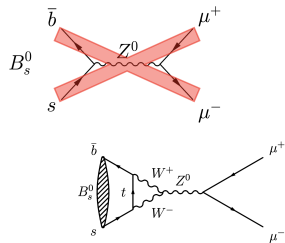
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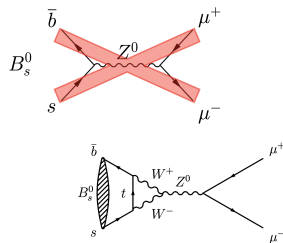
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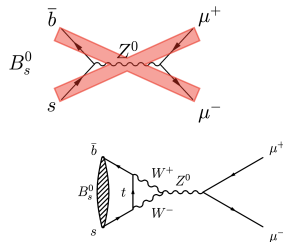


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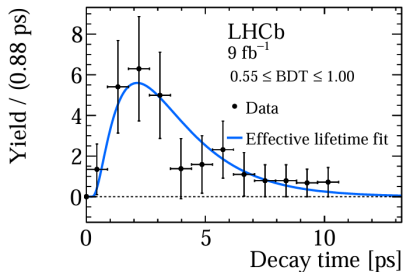
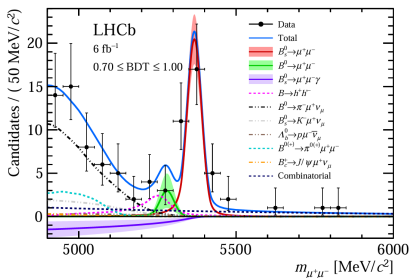
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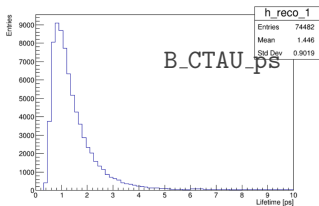
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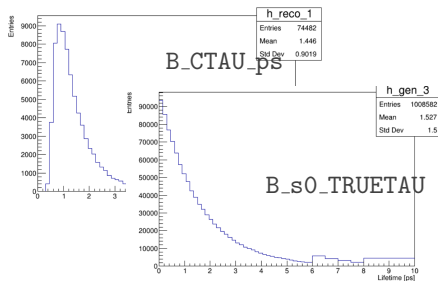
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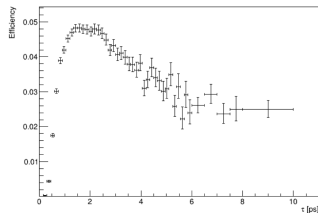
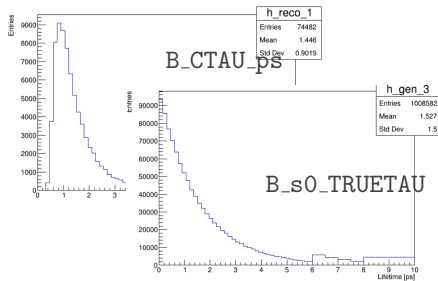
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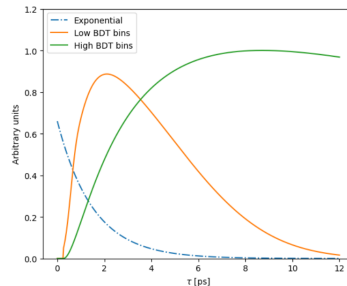
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The analytical expressions for the acceptance functions are **empirical**, we are using the same functions used in Run 2 analysis at the moment:

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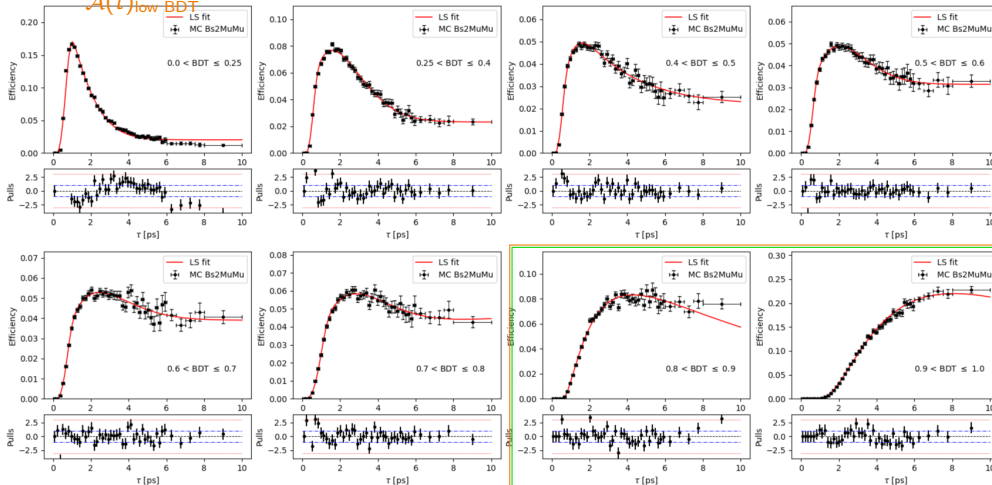


Fit to the acceptance functions

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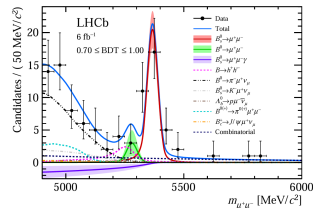
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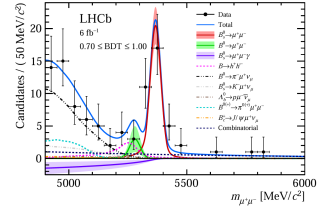




Lifetime dependent correction I

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We need a lifetime-dependent k_i correction factor because MC samples are generated with a decay time different from the one measured. We developed an *in-fit* correction, while in Run 2 analysis it was computed as a pre-fit bin-dependent correction as:

$$k_i = \langle \omega_j \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{\tau_{gen}}{\tau_{\mu^+\mu^-}} \cdot e^{-t_j(1/\tau_{\mu^+\mu^-} - 1/\tau_{gen})} \quad \tau_{\mu^+\mu^-} = \tau_{\mu^+\mu^-}(\mathcal{A}_{\Delta\Gamma})$$



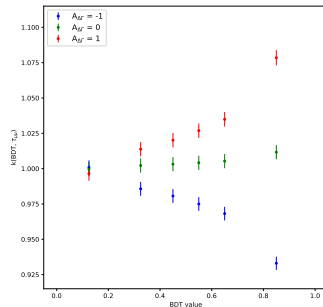
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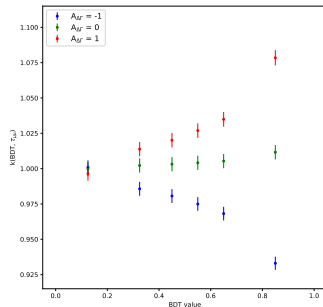
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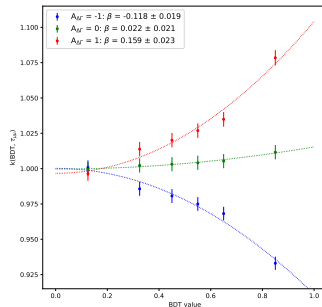
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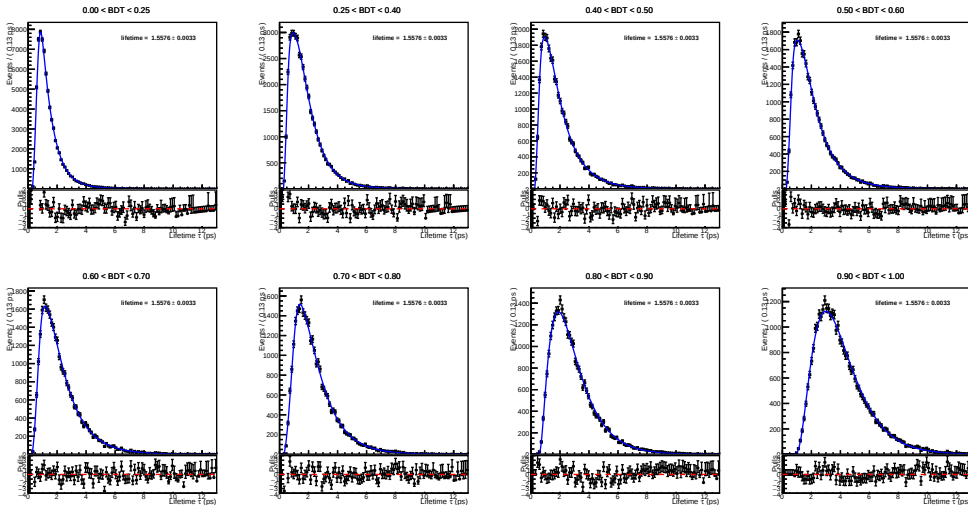


Having everything in place, we can perform a simultaneous fit of the di-muon invariant mass $m_{\mu^+ \mu^-}$ and the effective lifetime $\tau_{\mu^+ \mu^-}$ over **all** the BDT bins.



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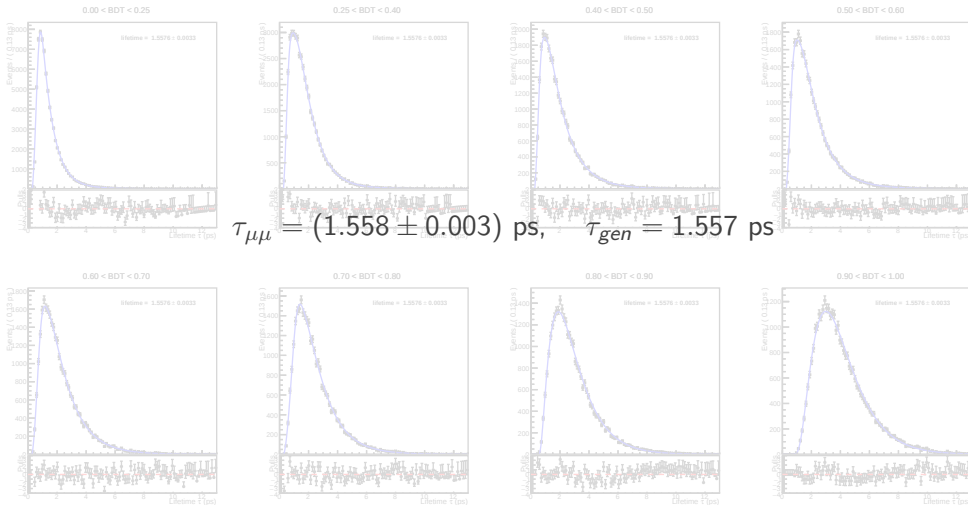
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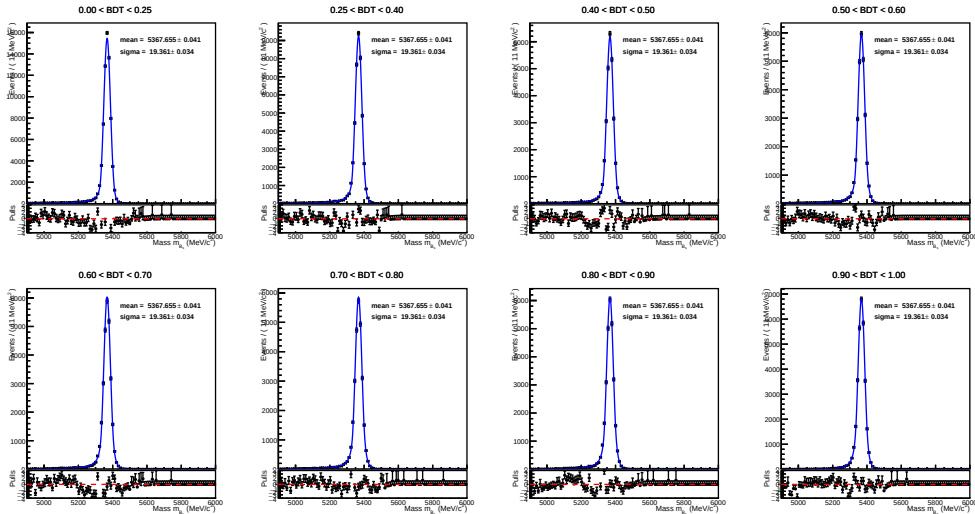
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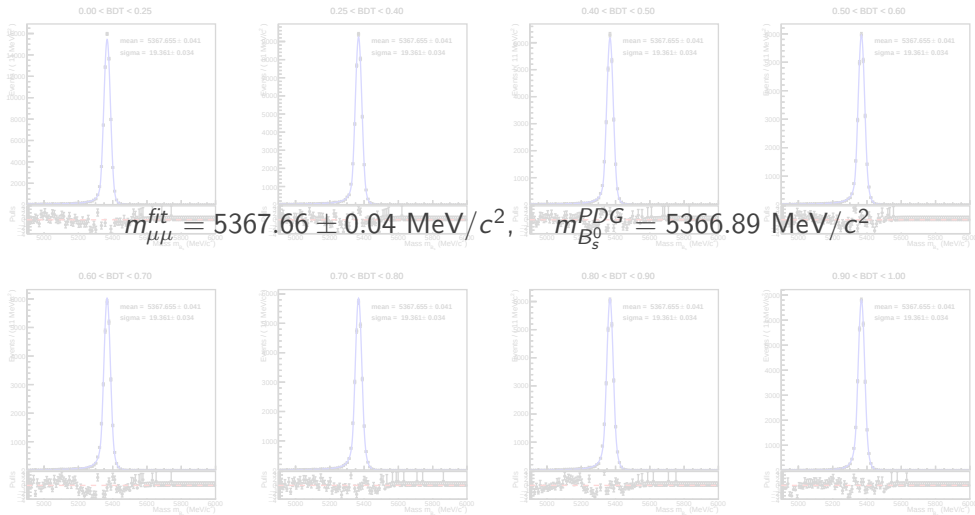
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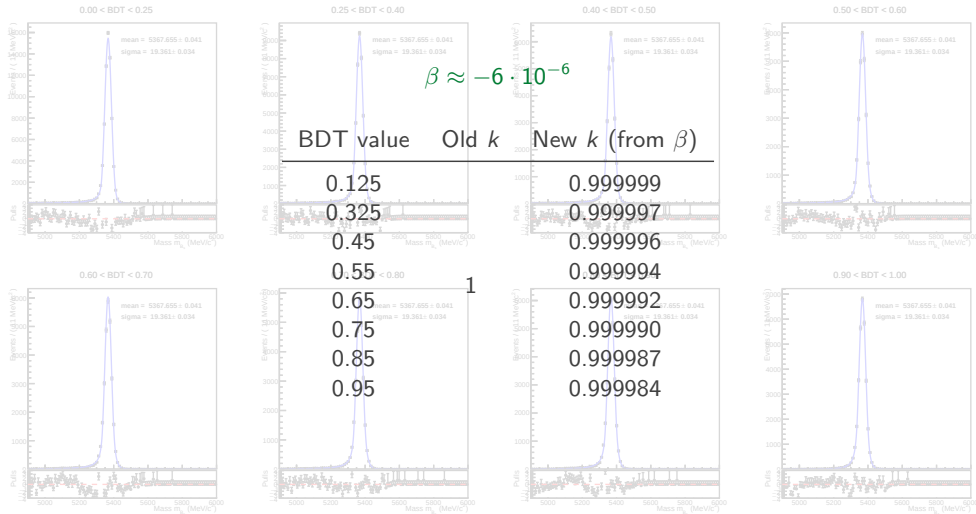
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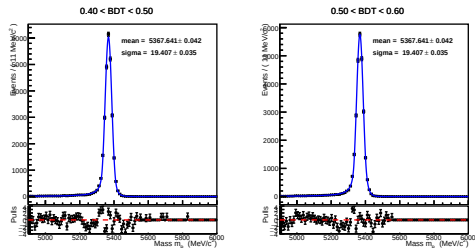
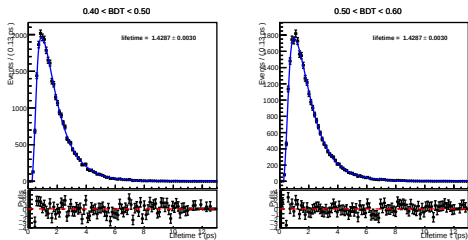
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3 Simultaneous fit over reweighted MC sample

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



$$\tau_{gen} = 1.556 \text{ ps} \rightarrow \tau_{gen} = 1.430 \text{ ps}$$

$$(\mathcal{A}_{\Delta\Gamma} = -1)$$

$$\tau_{\mu\mu} = 1.429 \pm 0.003 \text{ ps}$$

$$m_{\mu\mu} = 5367.64 \pm 0.04 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\beta = -0.05380 \pm 0.00007$$

BDT value	Old $k(\mathcal{A}_{\Delta\Gamma} = -1)$	New k (from β)
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0.55	0.969483	0.952011
0.65	0.959809	0.937321
0.75	0.949423	0.920072
0.85	0.924399	0.899888
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- Start working with Run 3 data (partial or full dataset, $\geq 9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$)



Search of New Physics in leptonic and semileptonic decays of the neutral B_s^0 meson at LHCb

Thank you for listening!



Events selection :

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- $D_s^* \rightarrow D_s \gamma$ reconstruction, soft γ selection
- charge of the identified muon **opposite** to that of D_s^*
- **muon** trigger lines
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 - ★ mu_Hlt1TrackMuonDecision_TOS
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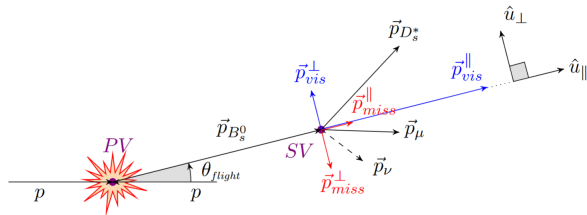
$$\Lambda_b \rightarrow D_s^{*-} \Lambda_c^{(*+)}$$

Combinatorial + misID



SL: Kinematics reconstruction

Backup slides

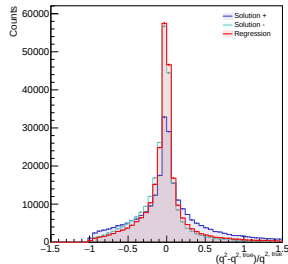


We assume there is only **one missing particle** in the final state and that $m_{B_s^0}$ is known (see JHEP02(2017)021)

$\Rightarrow$ Two fold ambiguity, $p_\pm = p_{vis}^\parallel - a \pm \sqrt{r}$

Regression algorithm gives a rough estimate of $p_{B_s^0}$, we **resolve** the ambiguity using

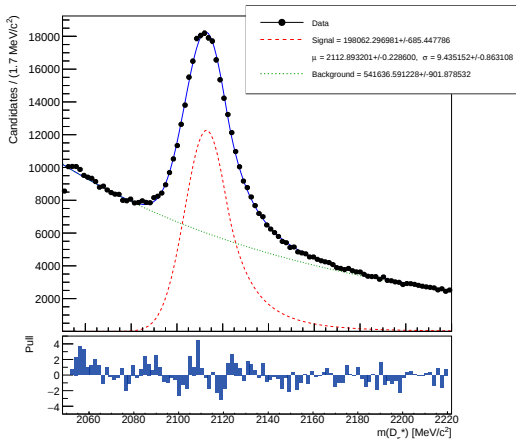
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SL: sWeights

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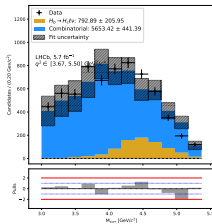
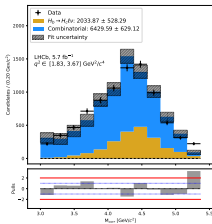
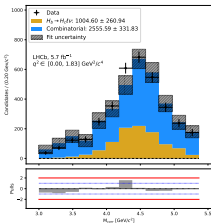
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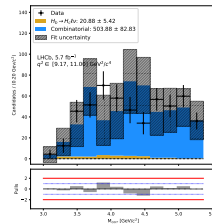
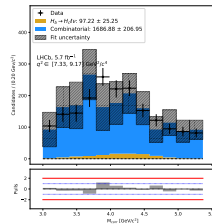
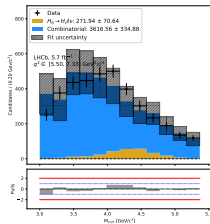
$sPlot$ assigns **event-by-event** weights to describe the **likelihood** to be a signal event

5 SL: Results in q^2 bins in the control region

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Preliminary in the region
 $\text{BDT_dbc_reopt} < -0.2$,
 that is combinatorial and
 doubly-charmed enriched

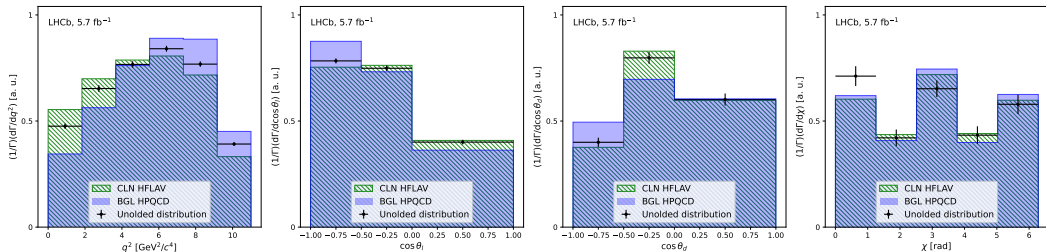


Use results from this fit
 to **constrain** these
 components



SL: Unfolded distributions and predictions

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- Models used: HFLAV averages for CLN, HPQCD predictions for BGL
- Visible **tension** in some bins
- Something similar was observed comparing **Belle** data with HPQCD predictions, but with different binning and with $B^0 \rightarrow D^*$

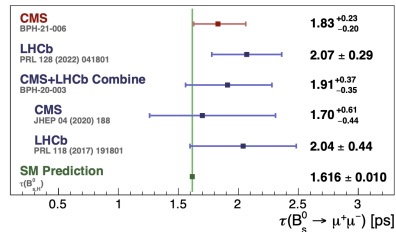
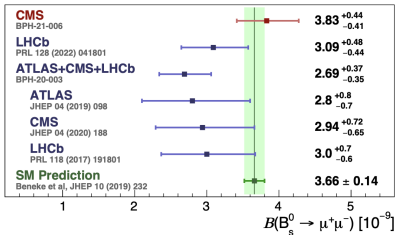


L: State of the art

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- 2014: **First** $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ observation by LHCb + CMS
- 2016: First $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ **single-experiment** observation by LHCb
- 2020: LHC **combined** measurement
- 2022: Latest **precise** measurement by CMS





L: NP in $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ decays

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- Sensitive to NP since it's a **very rare** decay, due to loop, CKM and helicity suppression
- $\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$ is sensitive to $C_S^{(\prime)}$, $C_P^{(\prime)}$, $C_{10}^{(\prime)}$ Wilson coefficients (only C_{10} in SM)
- Effective lifetime $\tau_{\mu^+ \mu^-}$ is sensitive to NP independent to branching fraction ($\mathcal{A}_{\Delta\Gamma} \neq +1$)

