

Flavour challenges from Belle II and LHCb to Tera-Z

Future Colliders @ DESY meeting

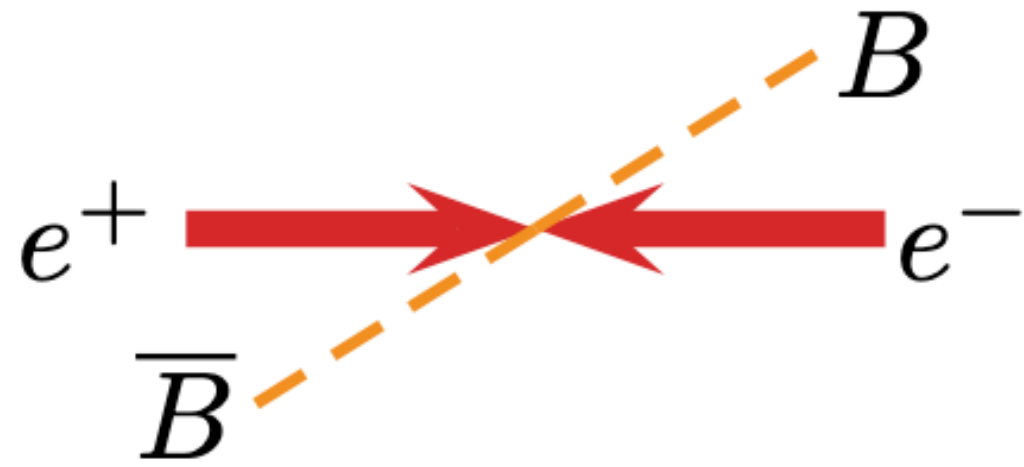
Most numbers from: [Belle II physics book](#), [Physics case for LHCb Upgrade II](#), [FCC-ee CDR V2](#), [PRD102\(2020\)056023](#).

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Outline

- Status and challenges in flavour physics:
 - Today: LHCb and Belle II
 - In the future: Tera-Z at FCC-ee
- Focus on B physics
- Focus on some subjects that are important or that I like, not necessarily what FCC-ee can do best

Belle II



Clean: only 1 B - $\bar{B}$ pair,

Constrained kinematics: known $E_{\text{CMS}}(B)$

~ 60 B 's per sec, $\sim 1/4$ of total events
high reconstruction efficiency, "no" trigger

Ideal for decays with π^0 , γ , ν

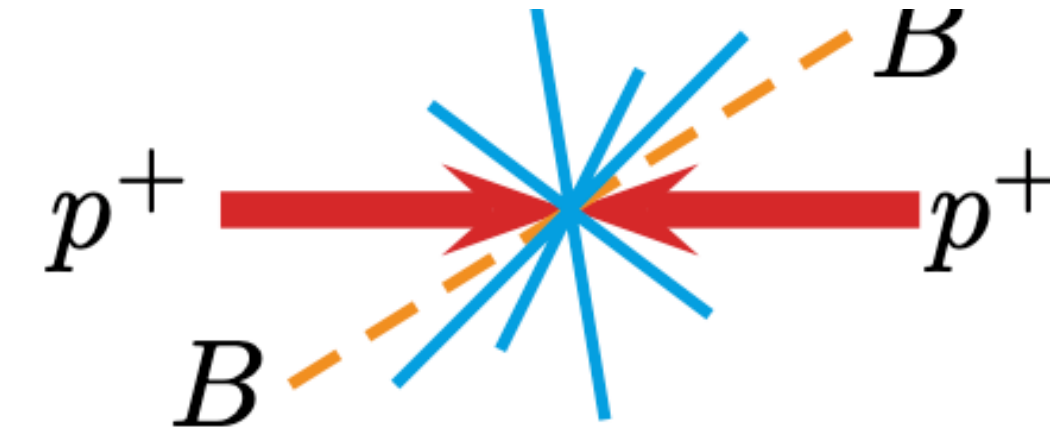
Today: 700 (Belle) + 400 fb^{-1} (Belle II)
 $\Rightarrow \sim 1.2 \times 10^9$ $B\bar{B}$ pairs

$p(B) \sim 1.5$ GeV

flight distance ~ 0.1 mm

$\Rightarrow$ decay-time resolution ~ 0.30 ps

LHCb (also ATLAS, CMS)



B hadrons + $\mathcal{O}(100)$ charged particles

Unconstrained kinematics

$\sim 20'000$ B 's per sec., 1% of total events
low reconstruction efficiency, need trigger

Ideal for very rare decays to charged particles

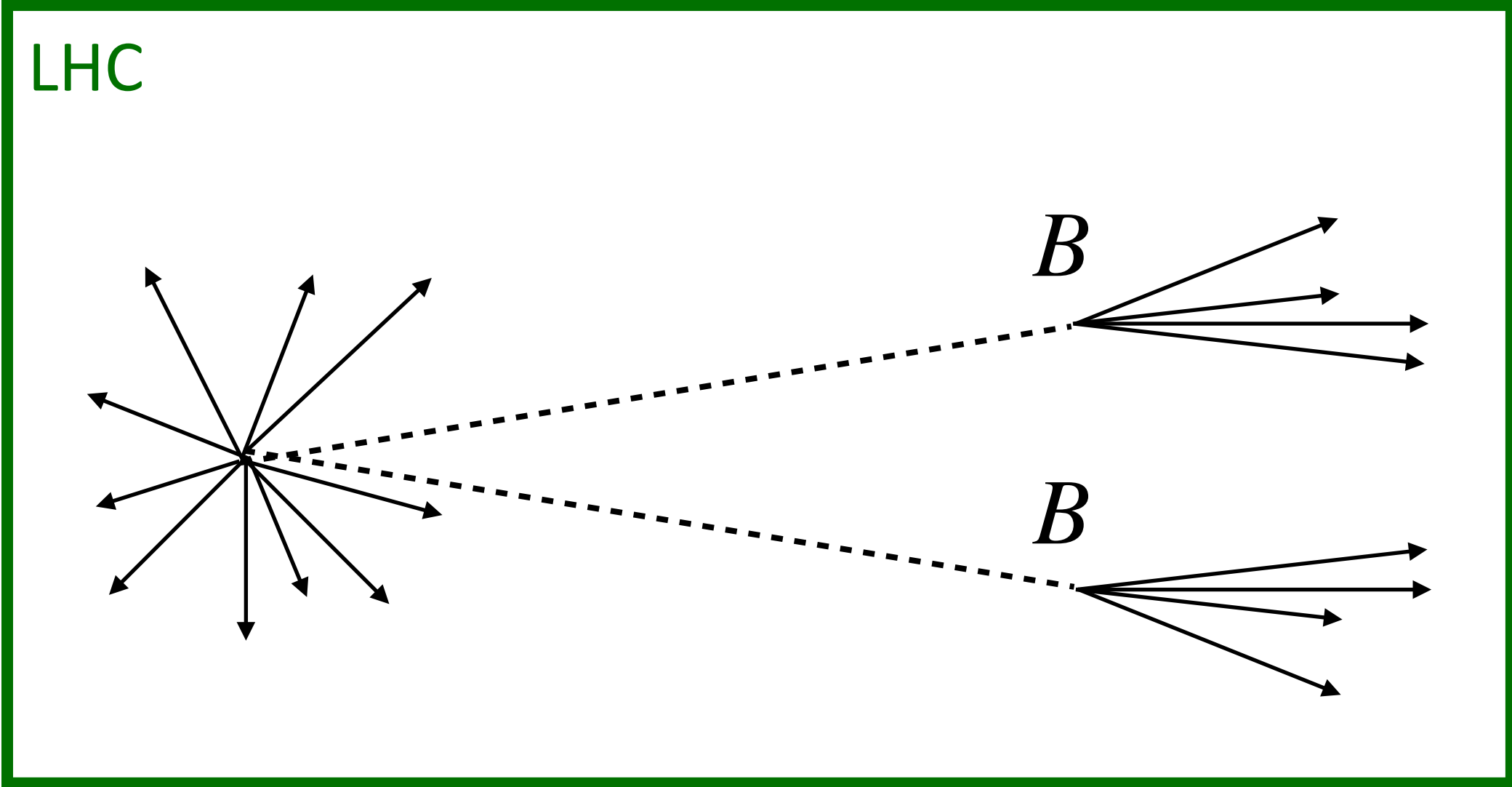
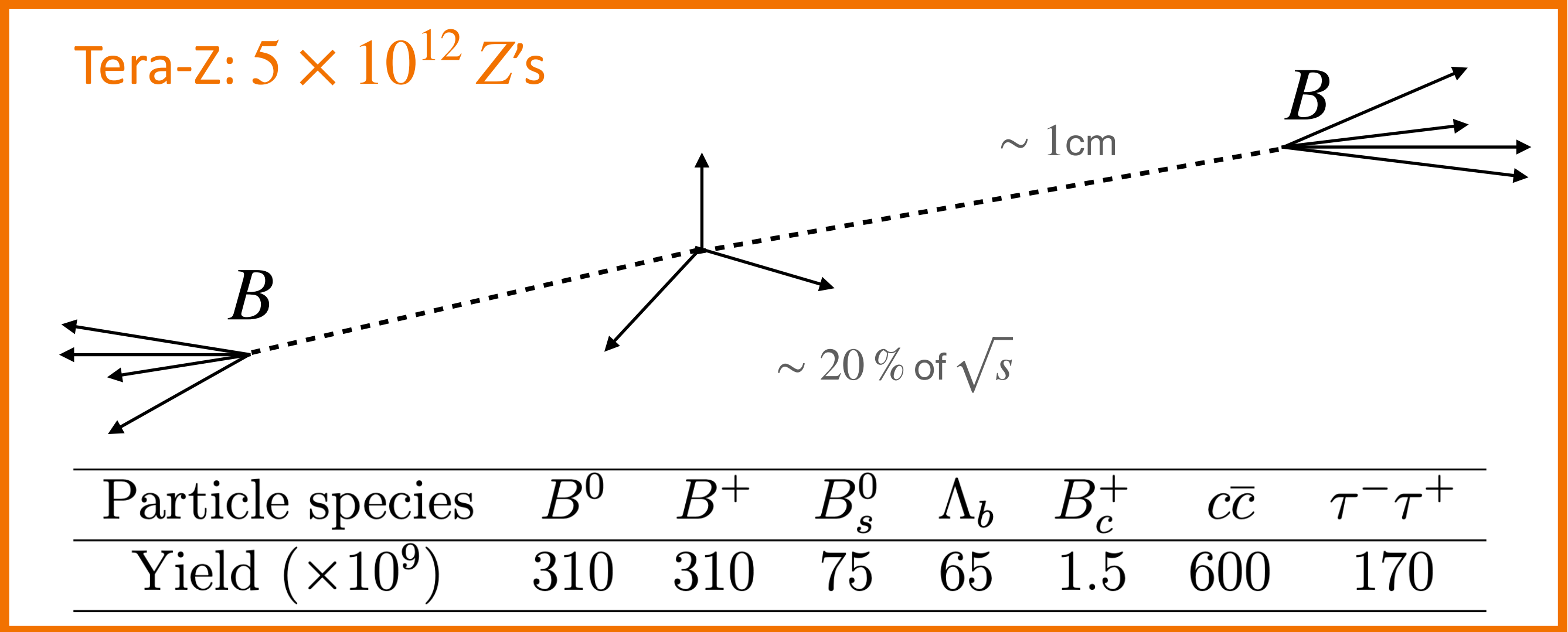
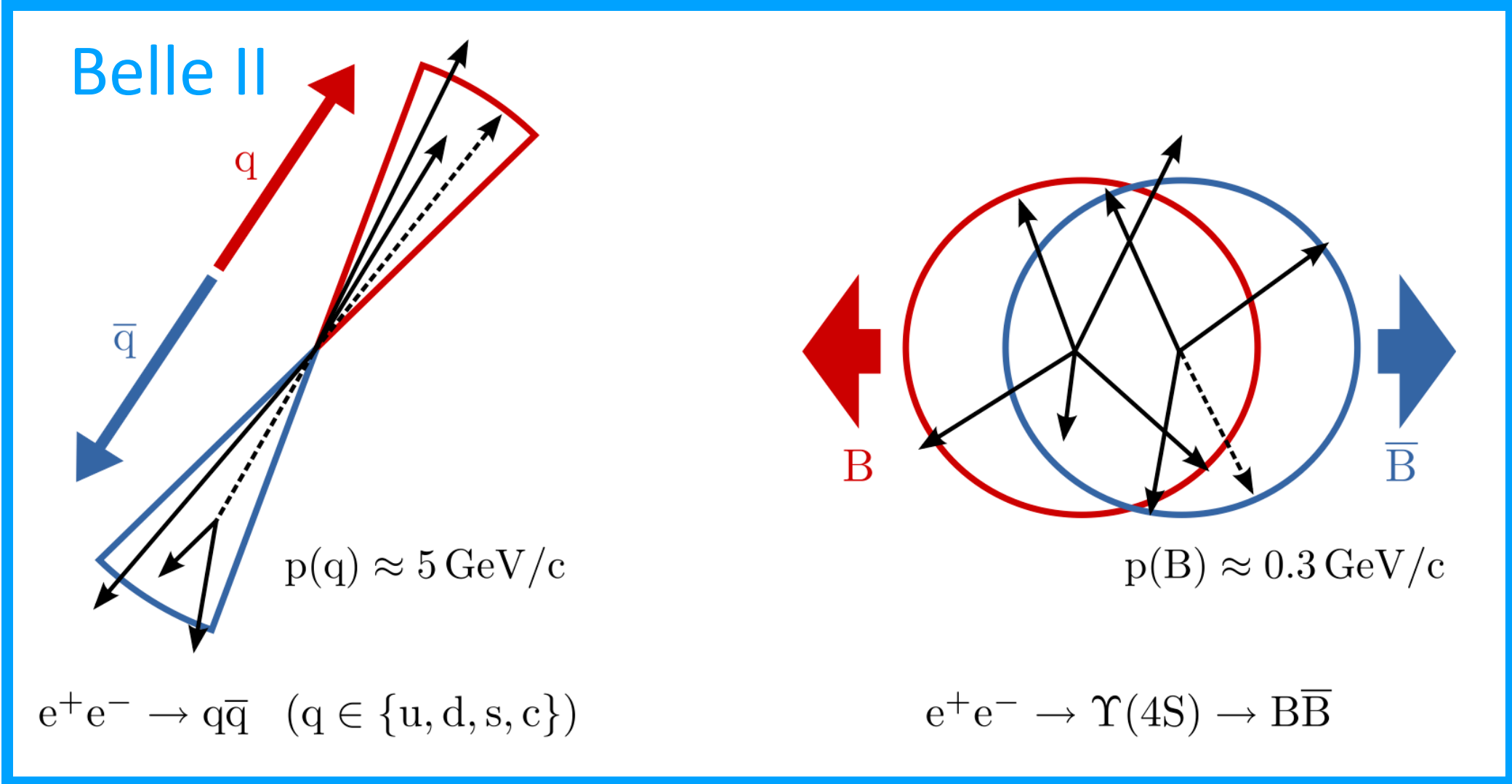
Today: 3 (Run I) + 6 fb^{-1} (Run II)
 $\sim 10^{12}$ $b\bar{b}$ jet pairs in acceptance

$p(B) \sim 100$ GeV

flight distance ~ 1 cm

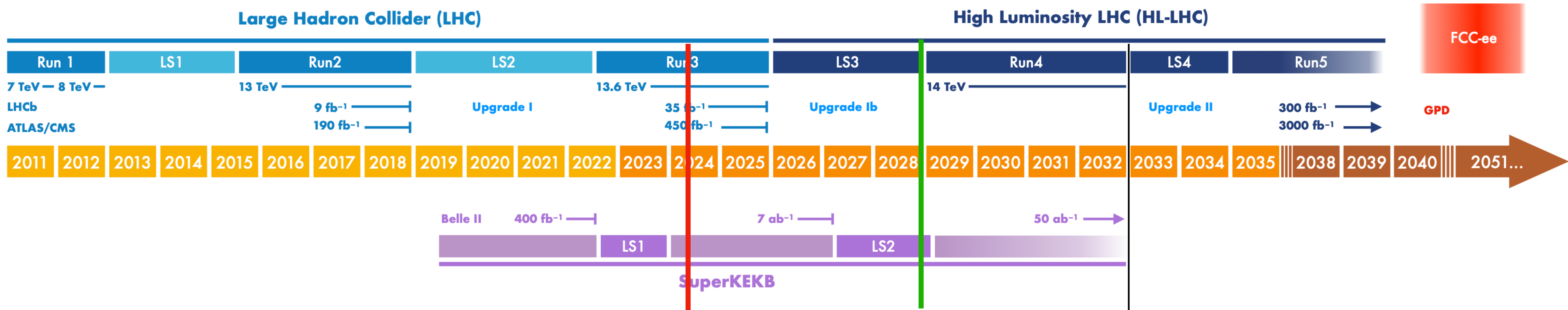
$\Rightarrow$ decay-time resolution ~ 0.05 ps

LHCb vs Belle II vs Tera-Z environments



Attribute	Belle II	pp	Z ⁰
All hadron species		✓	✓
High boost		✓	✓
Enormous production cross-section		✓	
Negligible trigger losses	✓		✓
Low backgrounds	✓		✓
Initial energy constraint	✓		(✓)

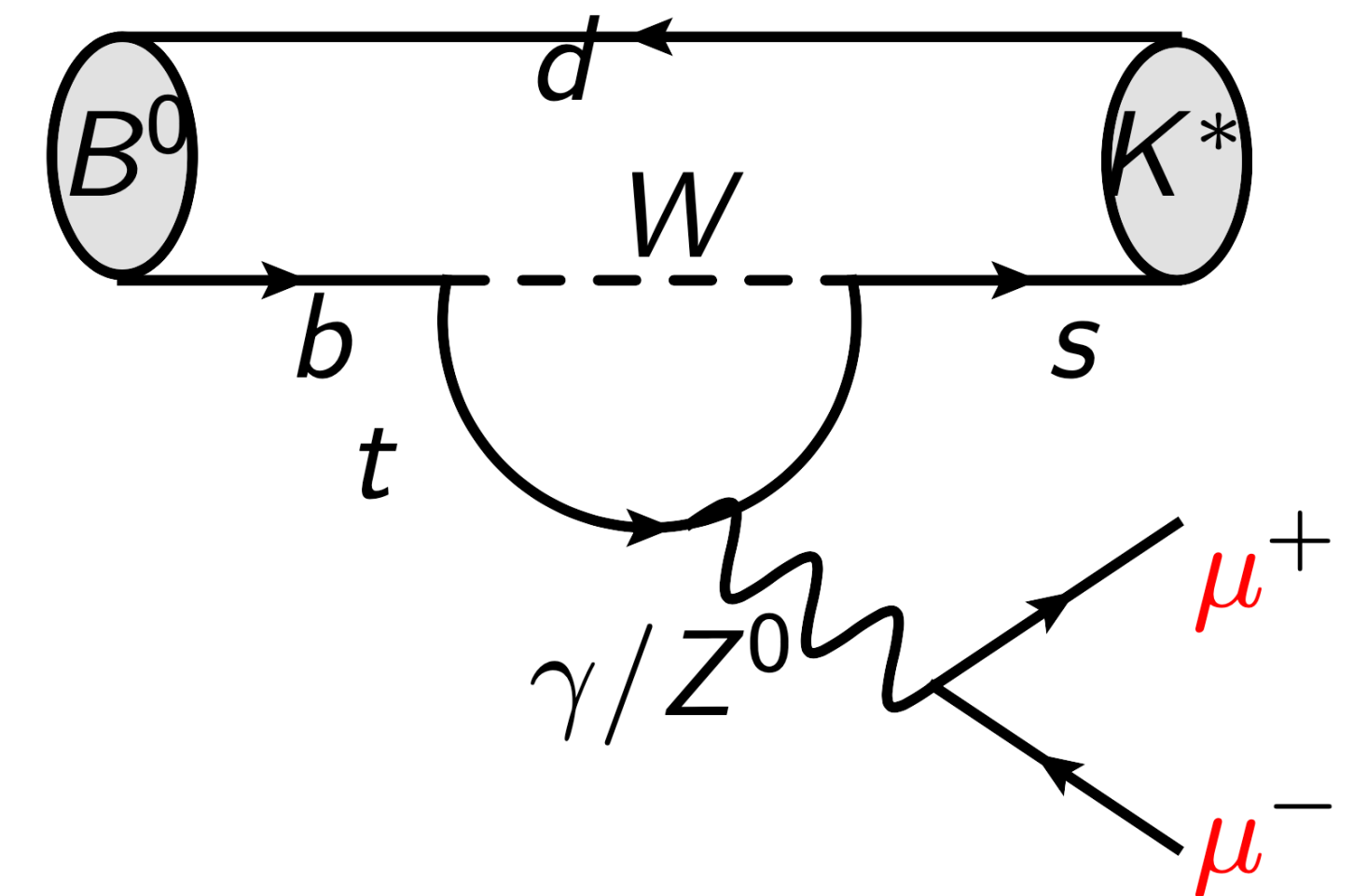
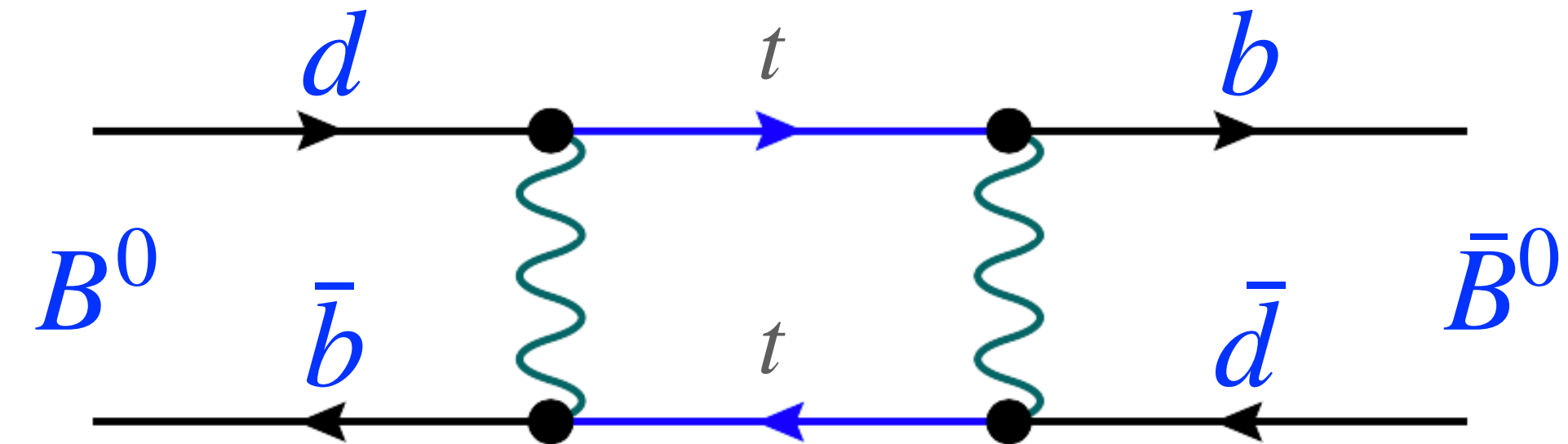
Timeline (outdated)



- **Today:** LHCb running ~ stable (upstream tracker + vertex detector seem OK)
Belle II re-started in February, pixel detector off due to beam losses
- **Direct future** (~2028): LHCb ~ 30 fb⁻¹ and Belle II ~ 5 ab⁻¹
- early 2030s: LHCb ~ 50 fb⁻¹ and Belle II ~ 50 ab⁻¹
- late 2030s: LHCb upgrade II ~ 300 fb⁻¹ and Belle III ~ 250 ab⁻¹
- 2040s FCC-ee : Tera-Z: 5×10^{12} Z decays

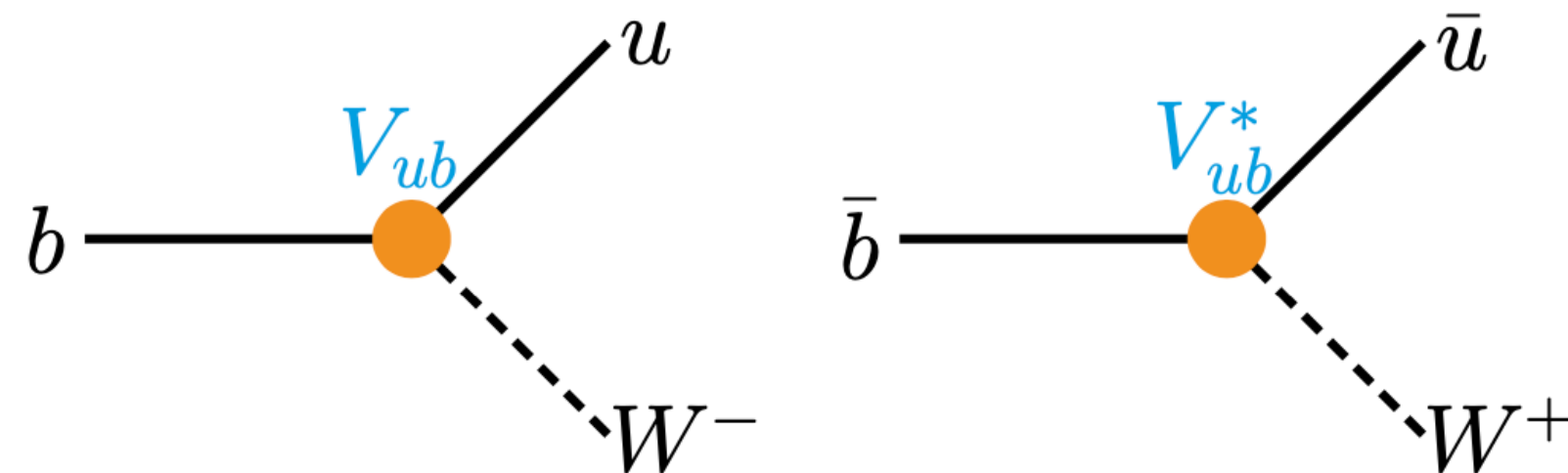
How B physics works

- We mostly perform precision measurement of processes that aren't tree level:
 - Box diagrams that appear in B^0 - $\bar{B}^0$ and B_s^0 - $\bar{B}_s^0$ mixing
 - Penguin diagrams mediating some B hadron decays
- New physics, even heavy, could interfere with these diagrams, modifying observables
- Example: Argus observed substantial B^0 - $\bar{B}^0$ mixing $\implies$ means the top quark is *very* heavy



The CKM matrix

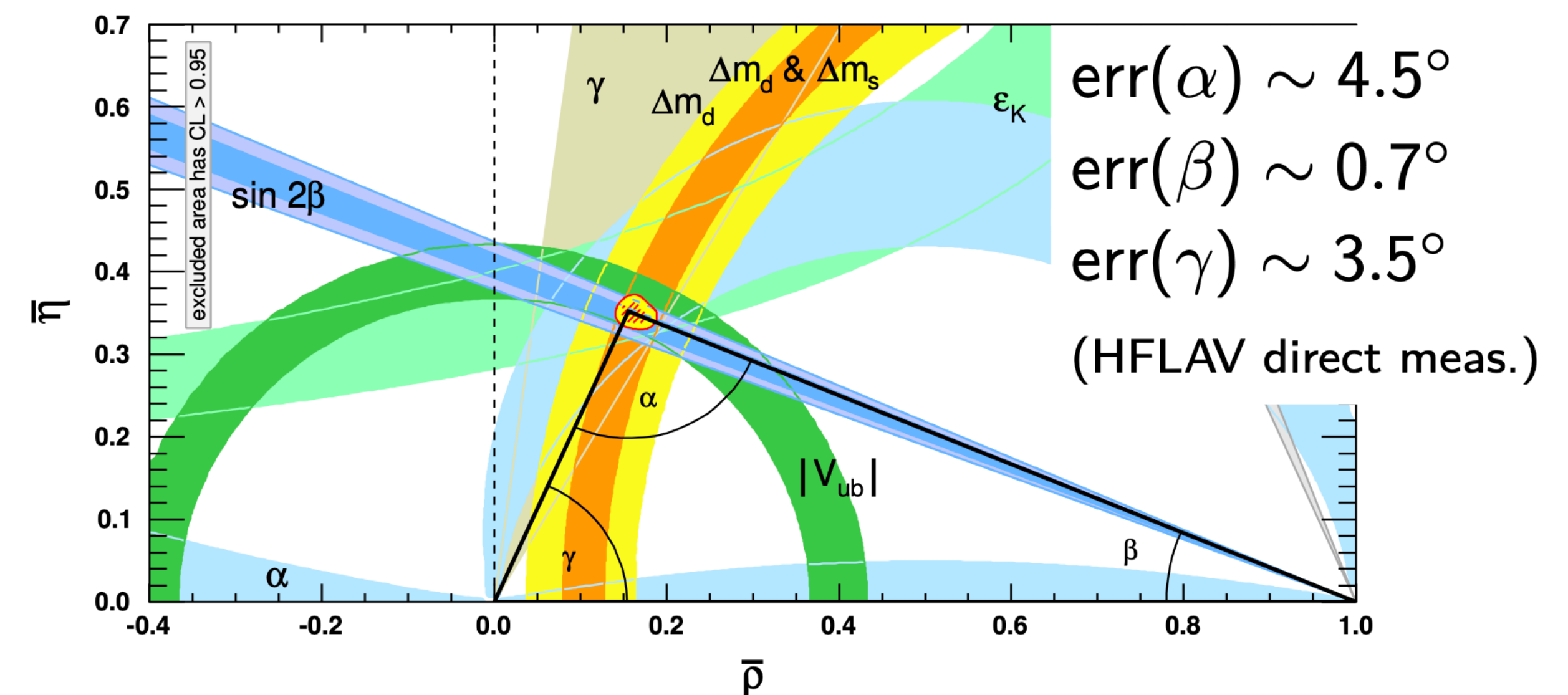
CKM matrix: rotate down-type quarks from mass to flavour basis



Constraints best visualised as unitary triangle in complex plane

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 0.97 & 0.22 & 0.004e^{1.1i} \\ 0.22 & 0.99 & 0.04 \\ 0.008e^{0.4i} & 0.04 & 1.00 \end{pmatrix}$$

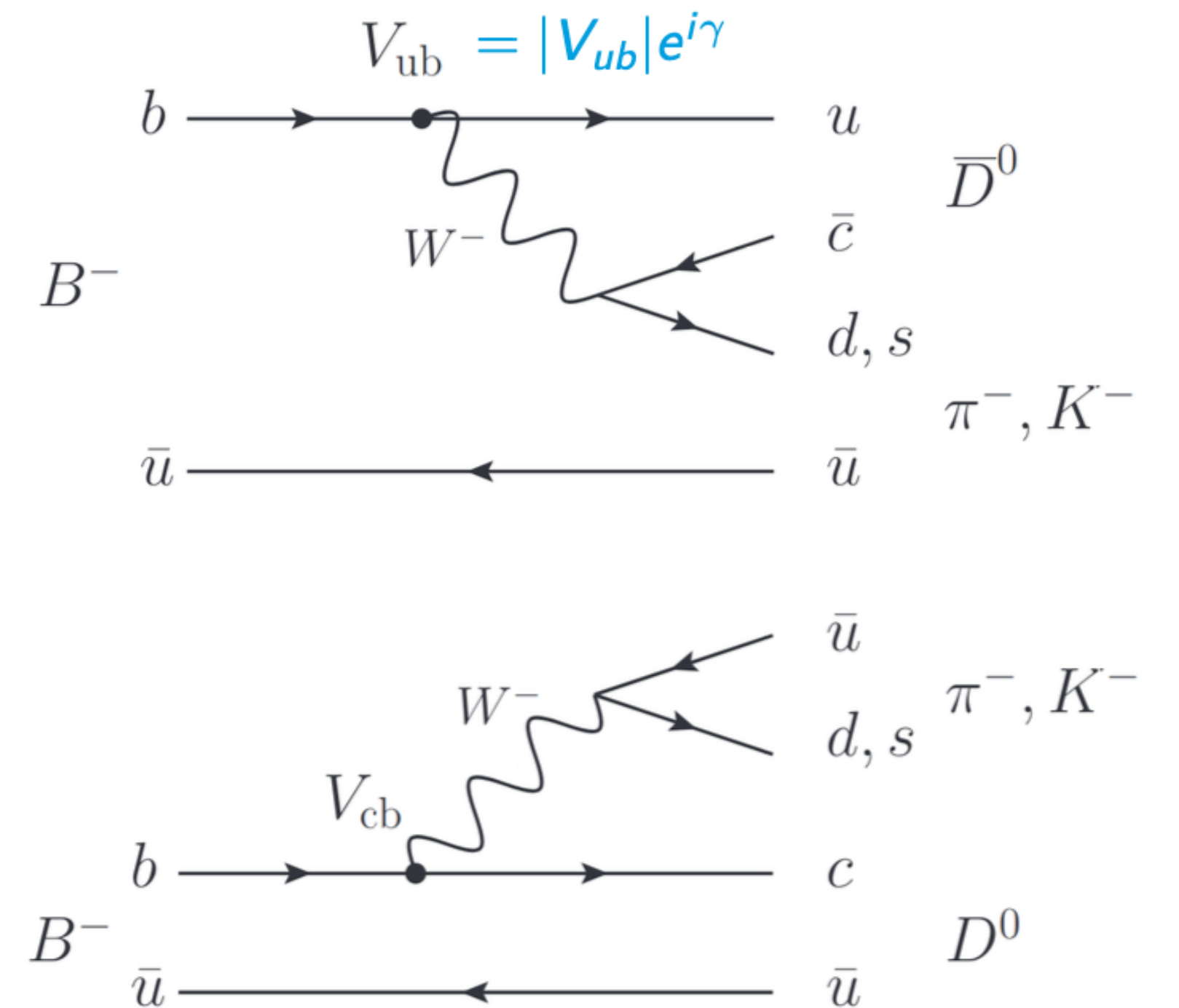
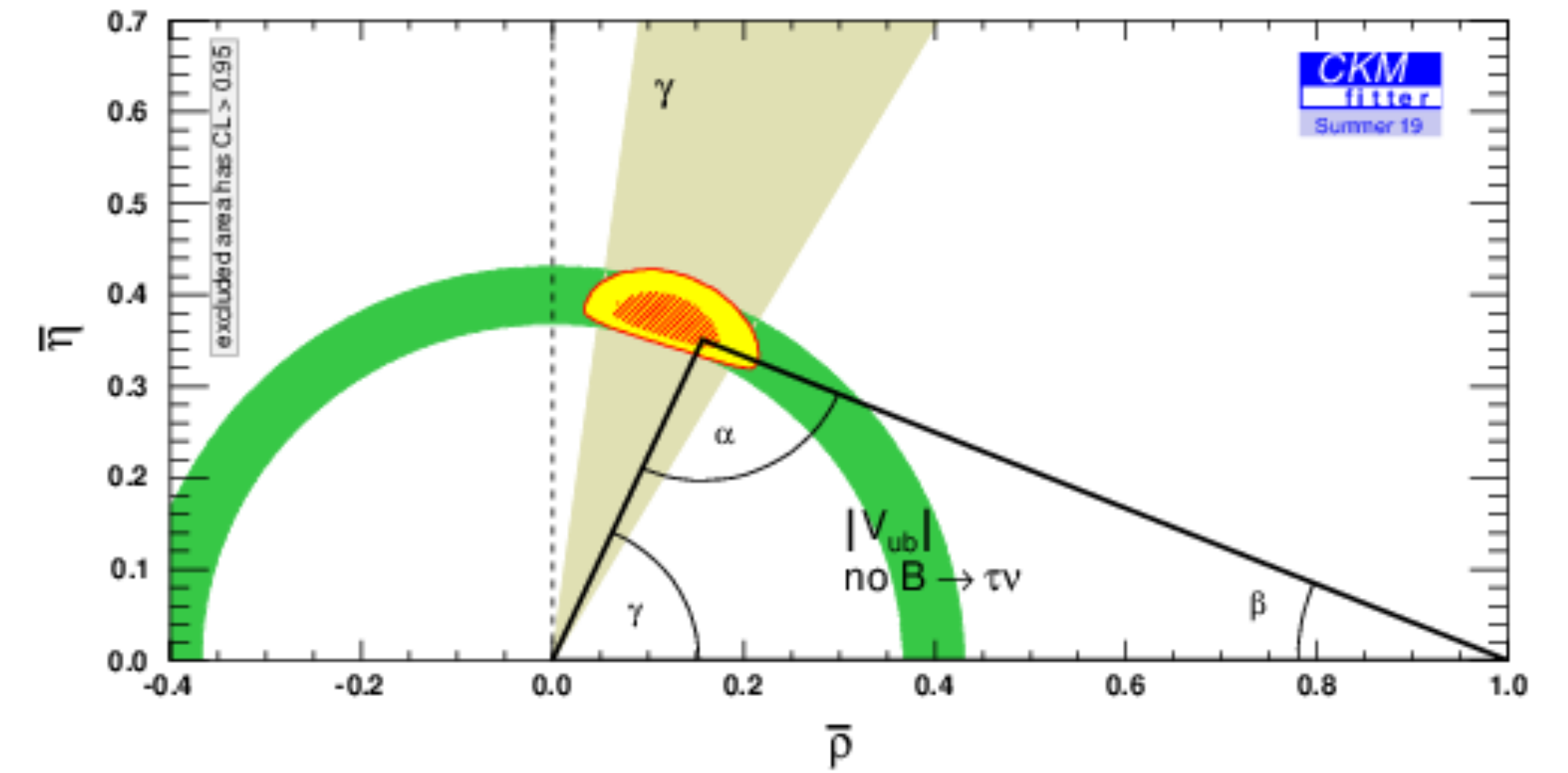
$$V_{td} = |V_{td}|e^{i\beta} \quad V_{ub} = |V_{ub}|e^{i\gamma}$$



SM standard candles

Left side and γ depend on tree-level decays
 → “standard candles” for apex position

- $|V_{ub}|$ and $|V_{cb}|$ from rates of $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$ and $B \rightarrow D \ell \nu$ decays
- γ from (direct) CP-asymmetry between $B^+ \rightarrow D^0 K^+$ and $B^- \rightarrow D^0 K^-$ decays (or similar)

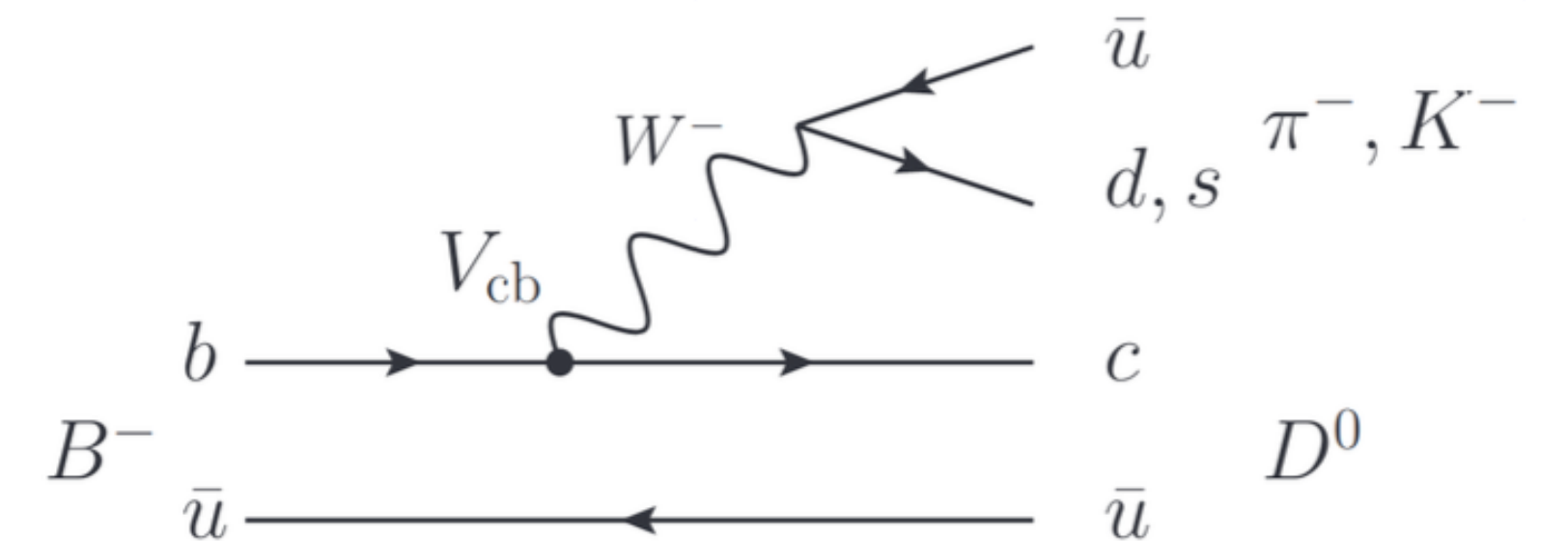
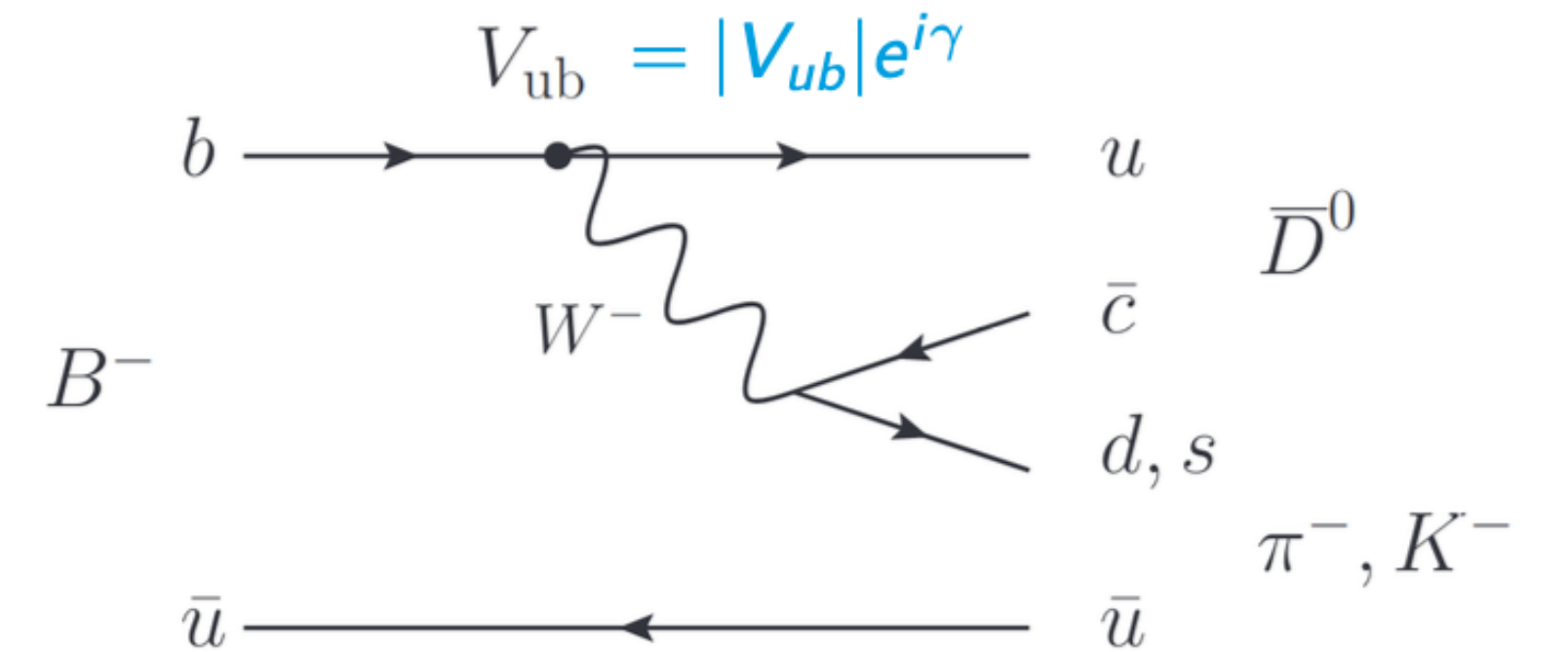
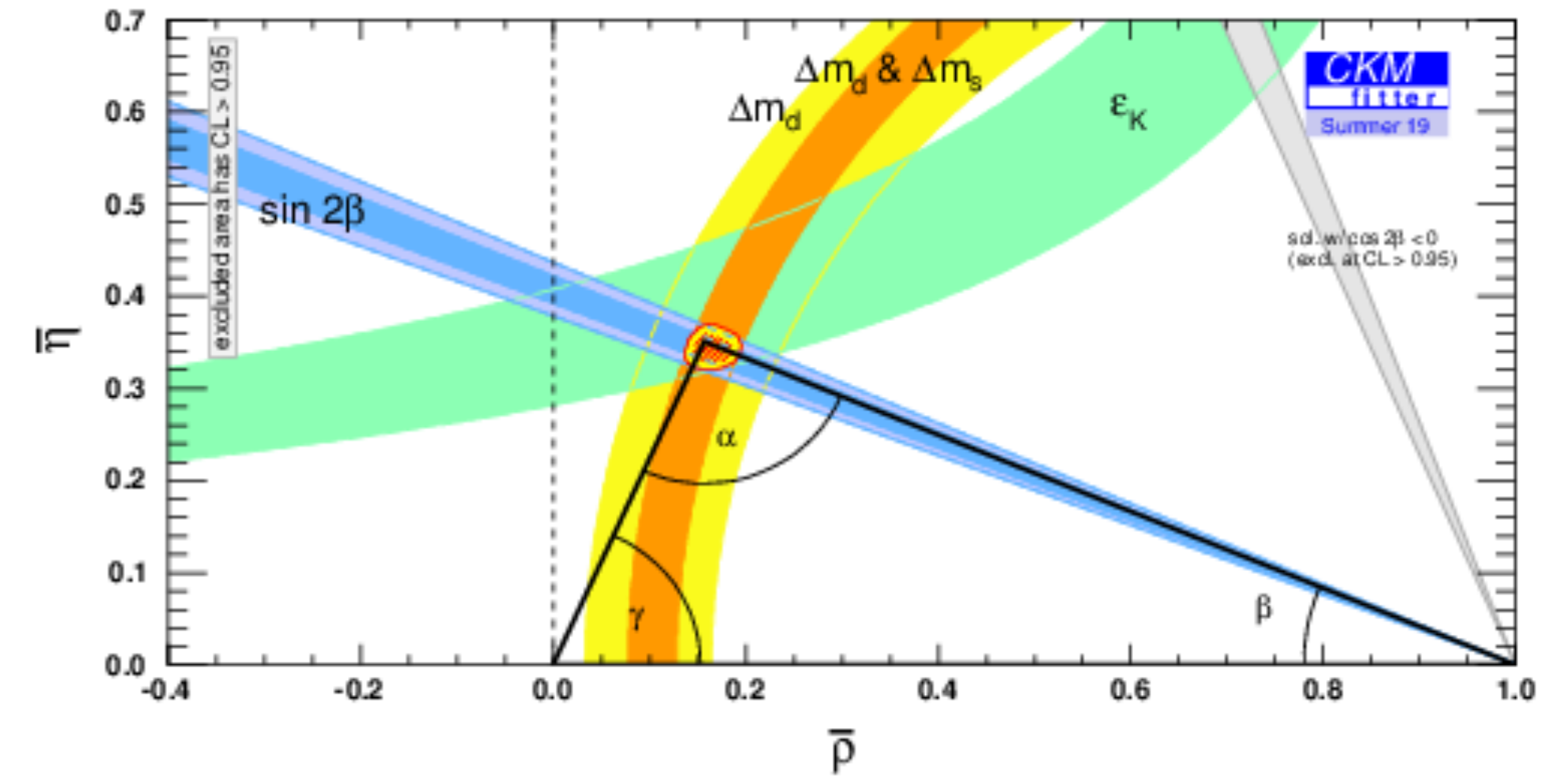
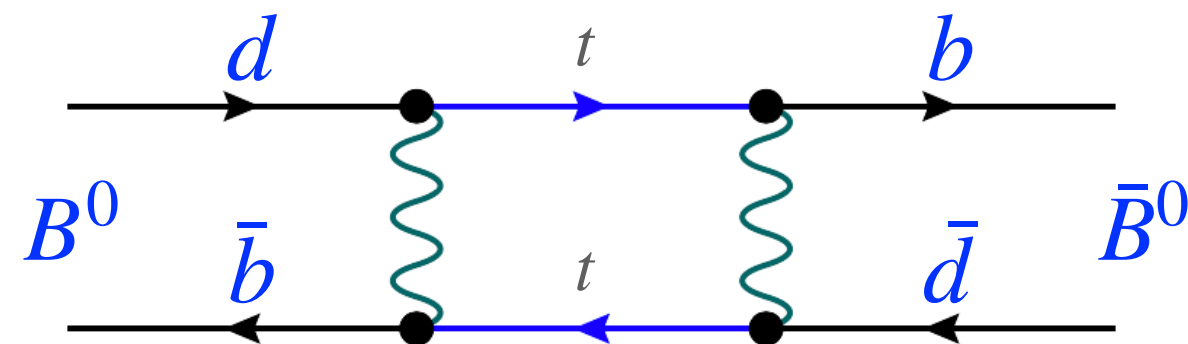


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All other constraints involve the box diagram



Gamma: today

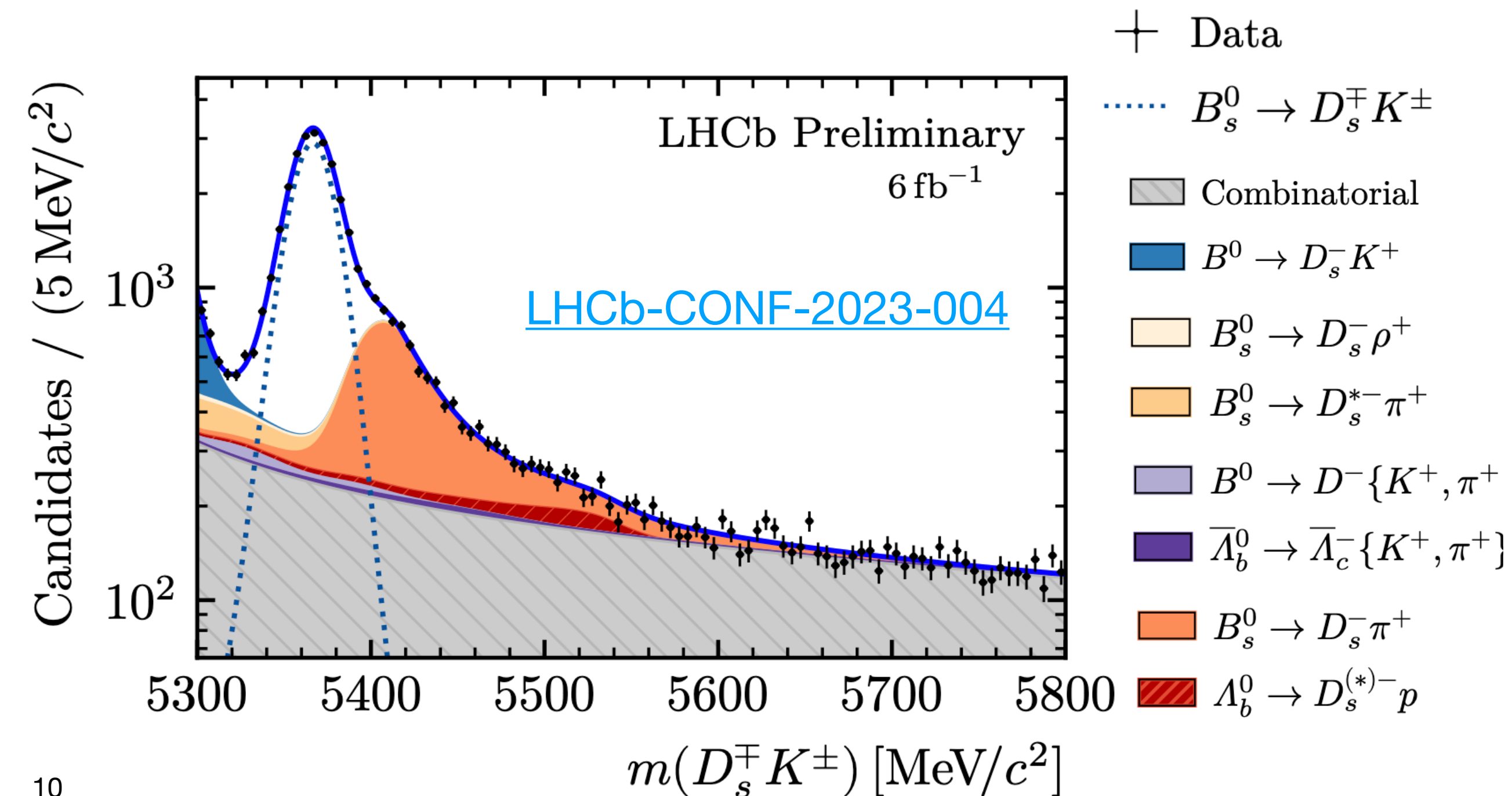
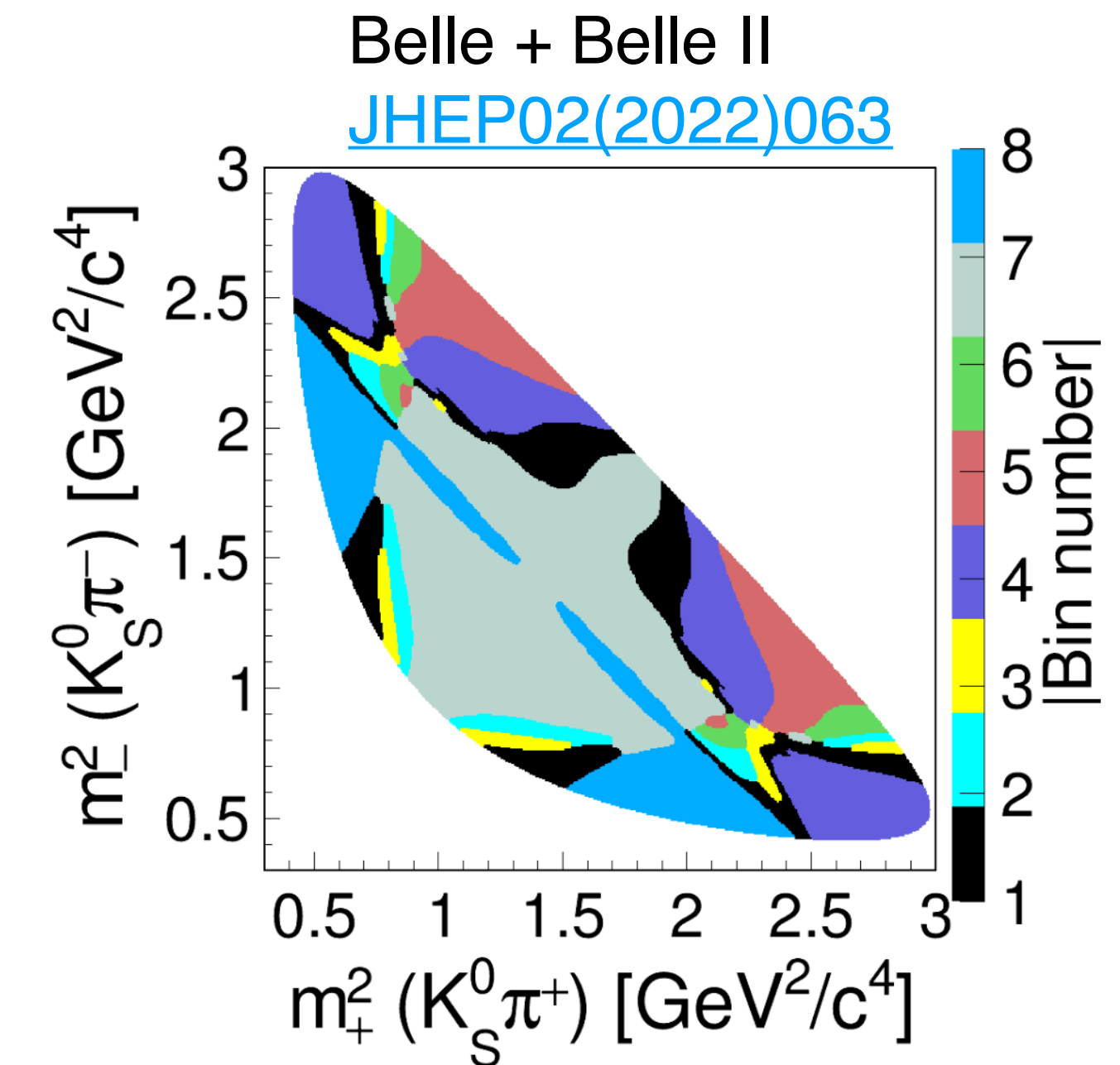
Most precise method today:

- use $B^+ \rightarrow D^0 K^+$ with D^0 3- or 4-body decay
- measure A_{CP} in bins of D^0 Dalitz plane
- use BESIII inputs from $e^+e^- \rightarrow D^0 \bar{D}^0$ to get γ

Other methods exist (less precise today):

- $B^+ \rightarrow D^0 K^+$ with D^0 2-body decays
- $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- K^+$ decay-time-dependent

- LHCb comb.: $\gamma = 65.4^{+3.8}_{-4.2}$ [JHEP12\(2021\)141](#)
- Belle I+II comb.: $\gamma = 78.6^{+7.2}_{-7.3}$ [arXiv:2404.12817](#)



Gamma: future

- sub-degree precision will be reached from combination of different methods
- no systematic bottleneck expected
- LHCb expected to drive the precision, both in medium-term future and with HL-LHC

Belle 50 ab^{-1} $\sim 1.5 \text{ deg}$	LHCb 50 fb^{-1} $\sim 1.0 \text{ deg}$	LHCb 300 fb^{-1} $\sim 0.35 \text{ deg}$	FCC-ee $\sim 0.25 \text{ deg}$
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$|V_{cb}|$ & $|V_{ub}|$: today

Exclusive measurements:

$|V_{ub}|$ & $|V_{cb}|$ @Belle (II): $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu, B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu$

$|V_{ub}|/|V_{cb}|$ @LHCb: e.g. $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p^+ \ell \nu / \Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c \ell \nu$

Inclusive measurements: $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu, B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$

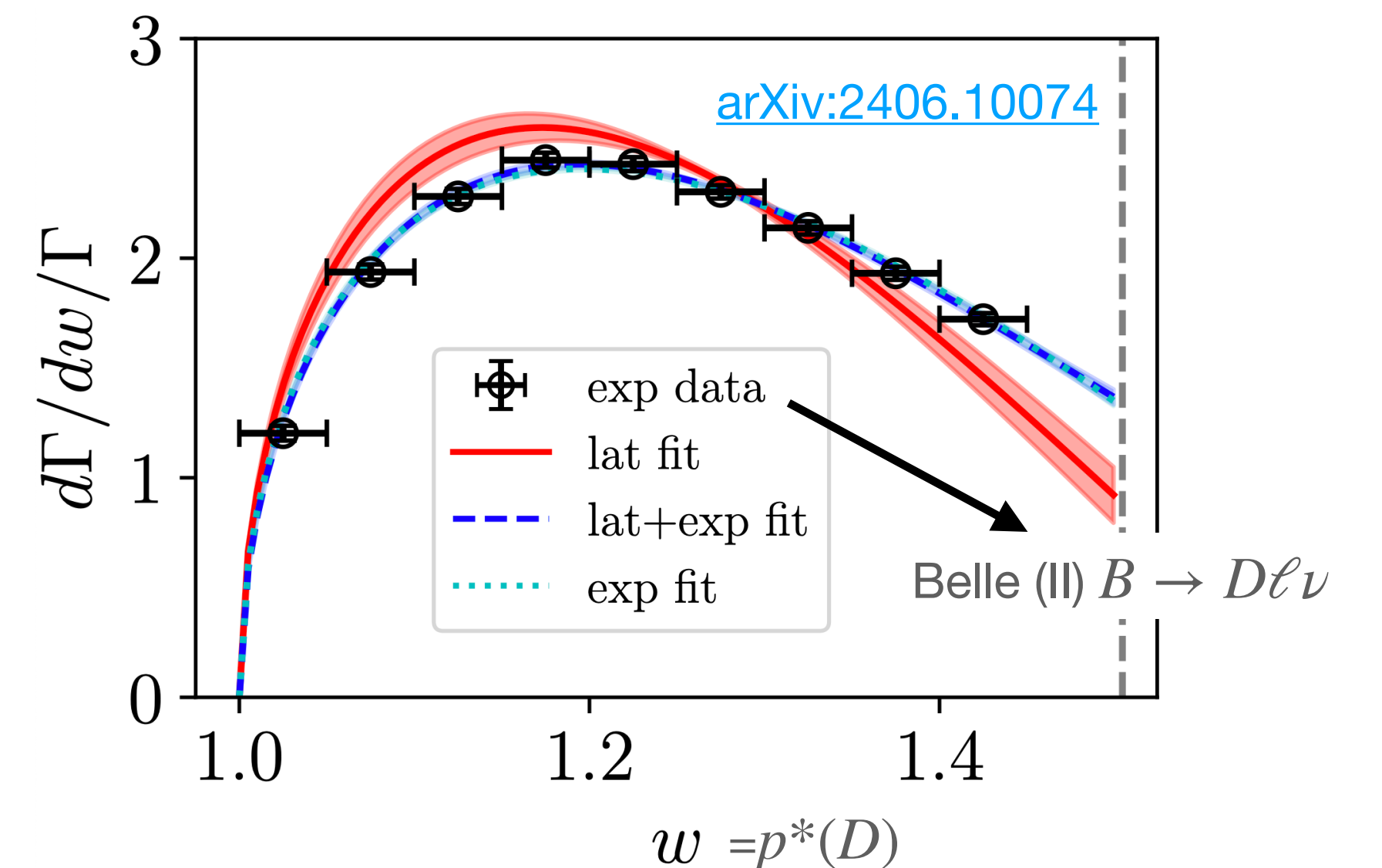
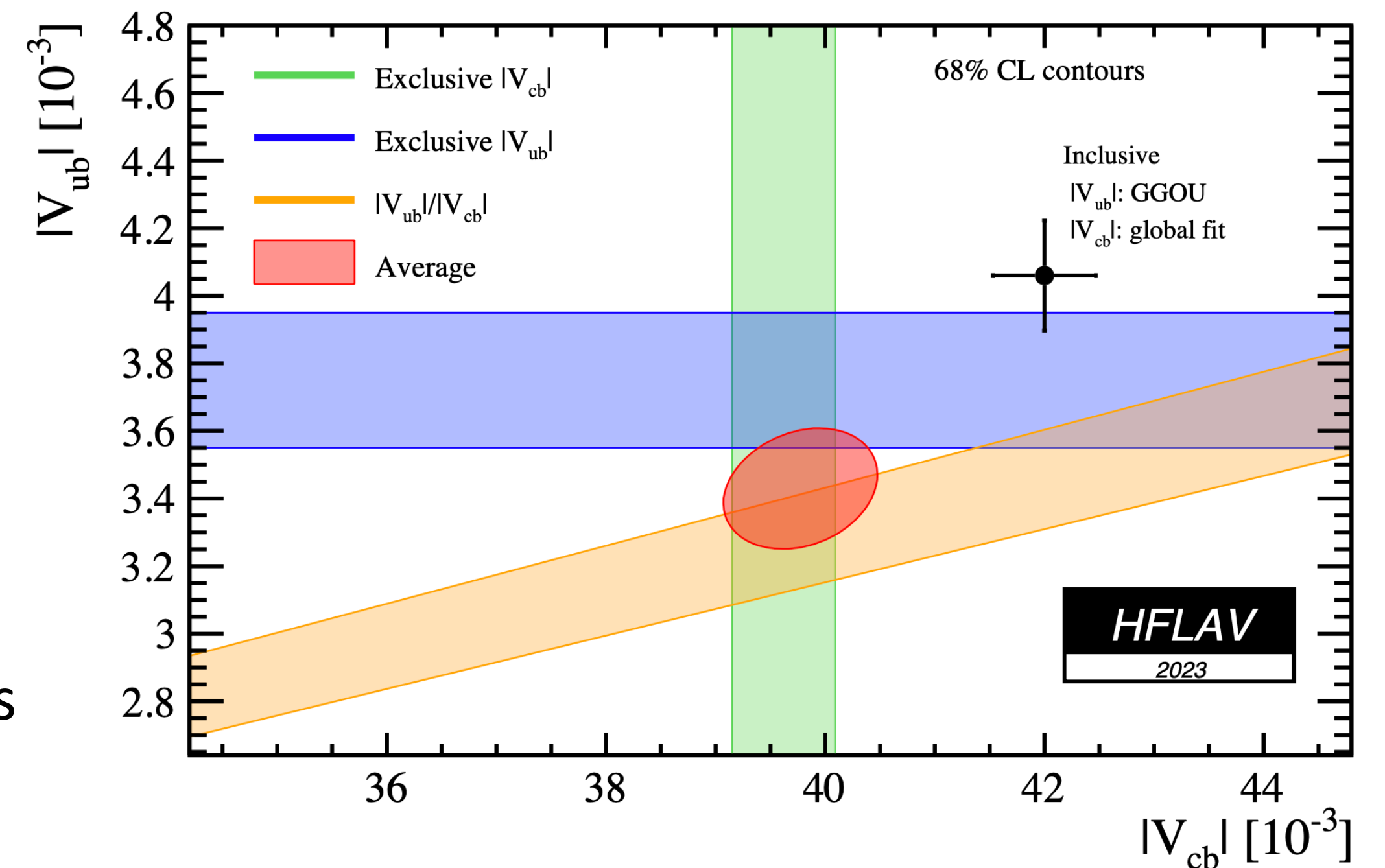
→ Impossible in hadronic environment: need known kinematics and full event reconstruction

Different frameworks for excl. and incl. predictions (lattice vs HQET)

Tension between inclusive and exclusive:

→ Precise studies of QCD parameterisations using unfolded kinematic distributions

→ Improving understanding of various peaking backgrounds that may bias the result

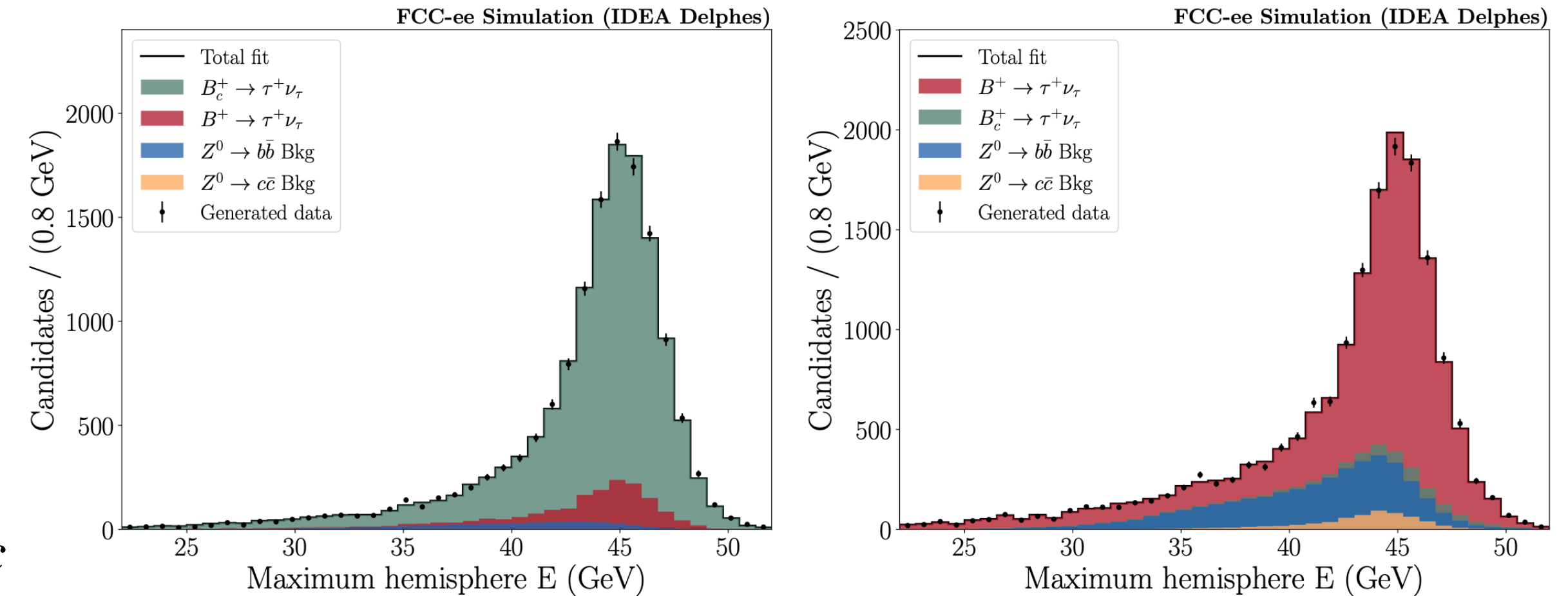


$|V_{cb}|$ & $|V_{ub}|$: future

FCC-ee could measure $|V_{ub}|$ with $B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$
 → only decay constant as theory input

FCC-ee can also measure $B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$
 → precision on V_{cb} limited by knowledge $b \rightarrow B_c$ fragmentation fraction
 → (also important to investigate $R_{D^{(*)}}$ anomaly)

Real benefit @ FCC-ee: $|V_{cb}|$ from $W^+ \rightarrow c \bar{b}$
 → $\sim 0.5\%$ precision, 3X better than SL decays at HL-LHC or Belle II



Can separate B_c and B^+ well, as B_c has a shorter lifetime
[arXiv:2305.02998](https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.02998)

	Belle 50 ab^{-1}	FCC-ee	th
V_{ub} SL	1-3%	$\sim 1\%$	$\sim 1\%$
V_{ub} $B^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$	$\sim 3\%$	$\sim 2\%$	$\sim 2\%$

Mixing diagram and mixing frequency

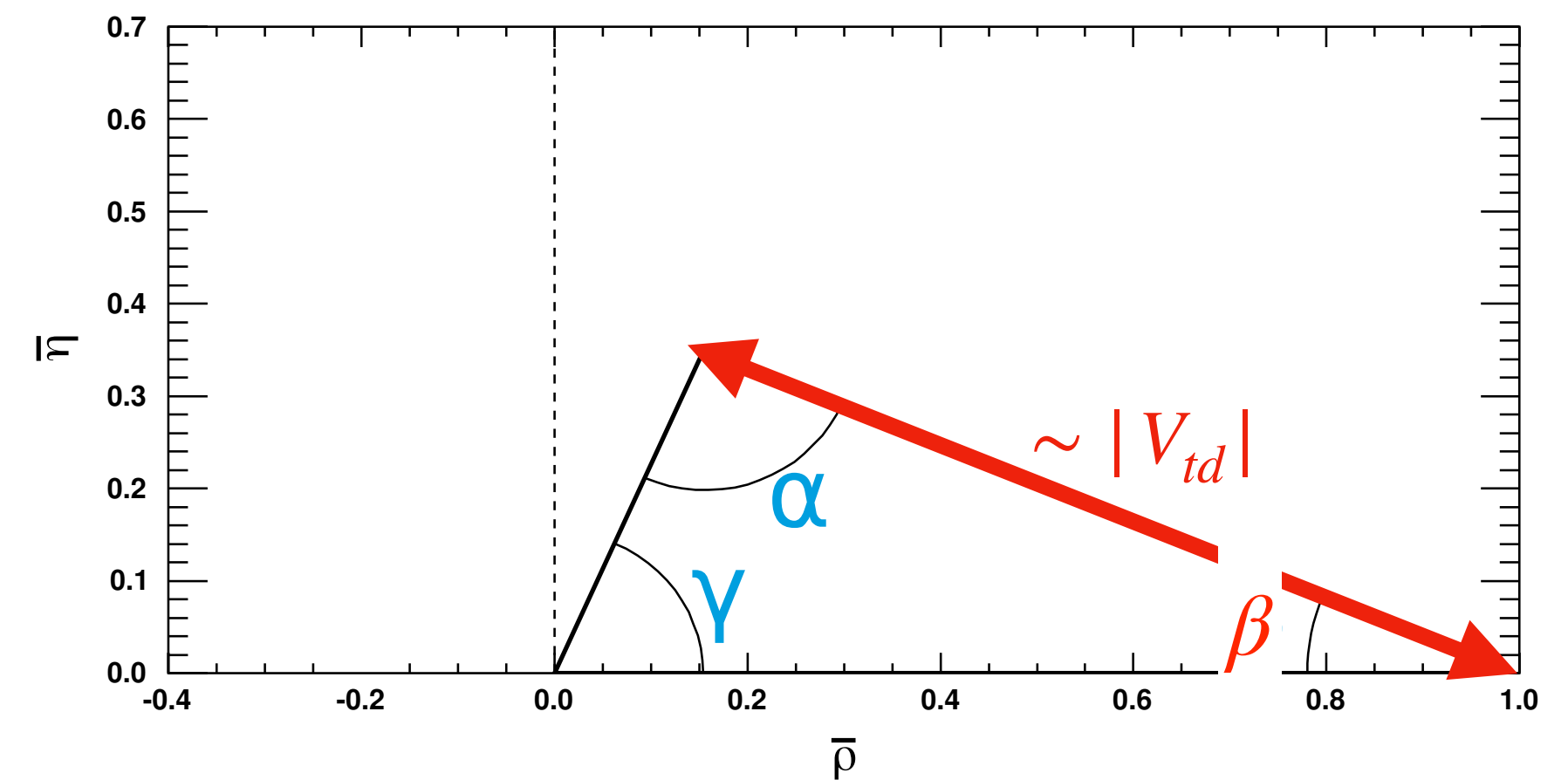
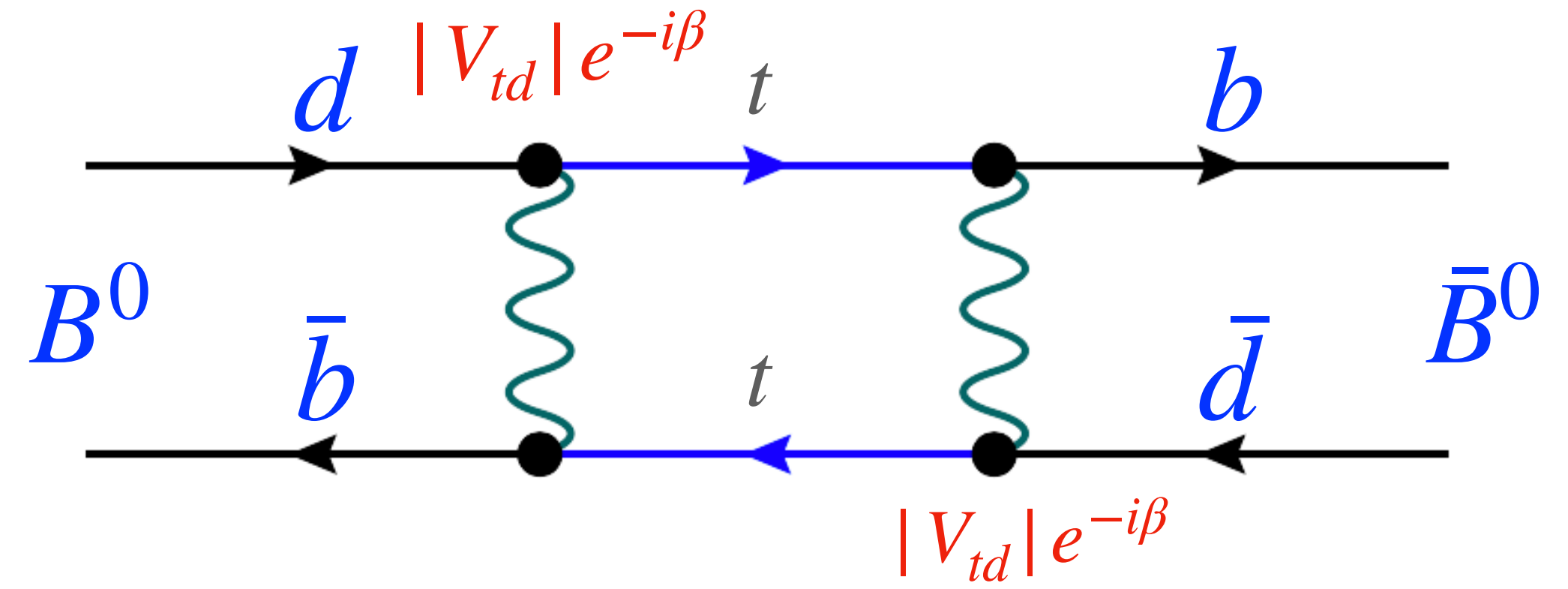
Other measurements in the CKM triangle are related to the B^0 - $\bar{B}^0$ mixing box diag.
 → suppressed, sensitive to new physics

$|\text{box}| \sim |V_{td}|^2 \sim B^0$ - $\bar{B}^0$ osc. freq. Δm_d :

$$N(B^0 \rightarrow \bar{B}^0(t) \text{ or } \bar{B}^0 \rightarrow B^0(t)) \sim 1 - \cos(\Delta m_d t)$$

Accuracy dominated by LHCb using $B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-}\mu^+\nu$

But: theory prediction (lattice) $10 \times$ less accurate than measurement, even worse for B_s^0 - $\bar{B}_s^0$



Mixing phase and $\sin 2\beta$

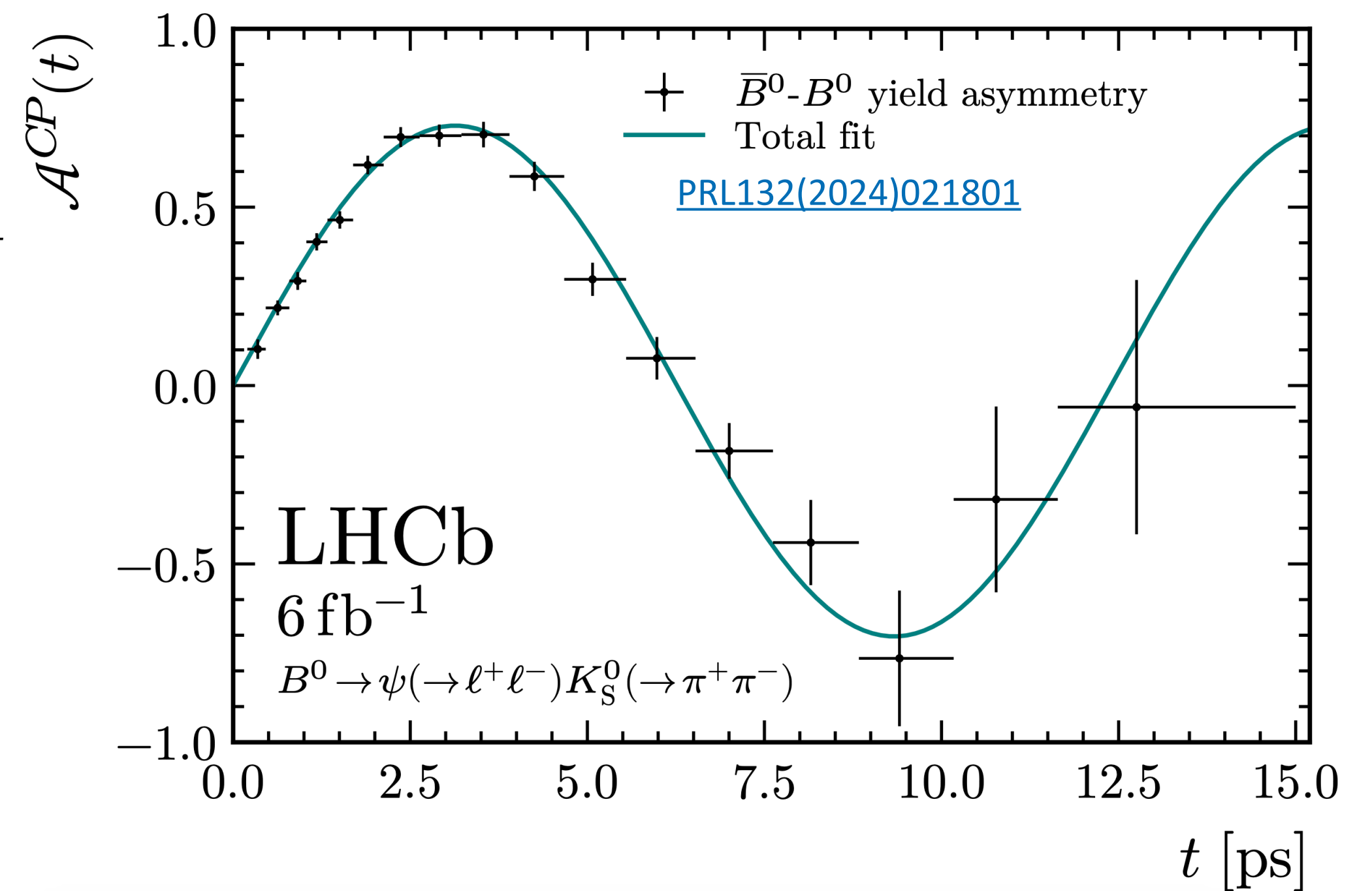
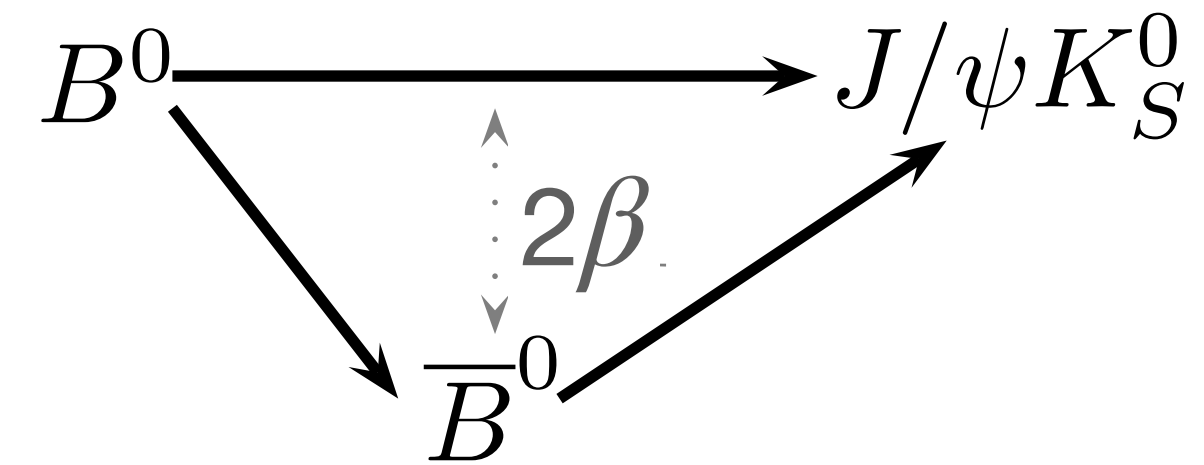
Historical flagship at LHCb & Belle II:

$$\frac{N(B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S)(t) - N(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S)(t)}{N(B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S)(t) + N(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_S)(t)} = \sin 2\beta \sin \Delta m_d t$$

Best known angle, future accuracy will depend on how much we control:

- time resolution
- flavour tagger calibration
- interference with penguin decays, can be constrained from the data (using e.g. $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^0$)

Marginal improvements from FCC-ee (maybe in the study of penguin-free modes?)



Belle now $20.9 \pm 1.0 \text{ deg}$	LHCb now $23.1 \pm 0.6 \text{ deg}$	Belle 50 ab^{-1} $\pm \sim 0.3 \text{ deg}$	LHCb 300 fb^{-1} $\pm \sim 0.1 \text{ deg}$
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LHCb: more data
Belle II: better tagging

Semileptonic asymmetries

$$a_{sl} = \frac{N(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow B^0) - N(B^0 \rightarrow \bar{B}^0)}{N(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow B^0) + N(B^0 \rightarrow \bar{B}^0)}$$

unlike mixing freq., clean theory prediction

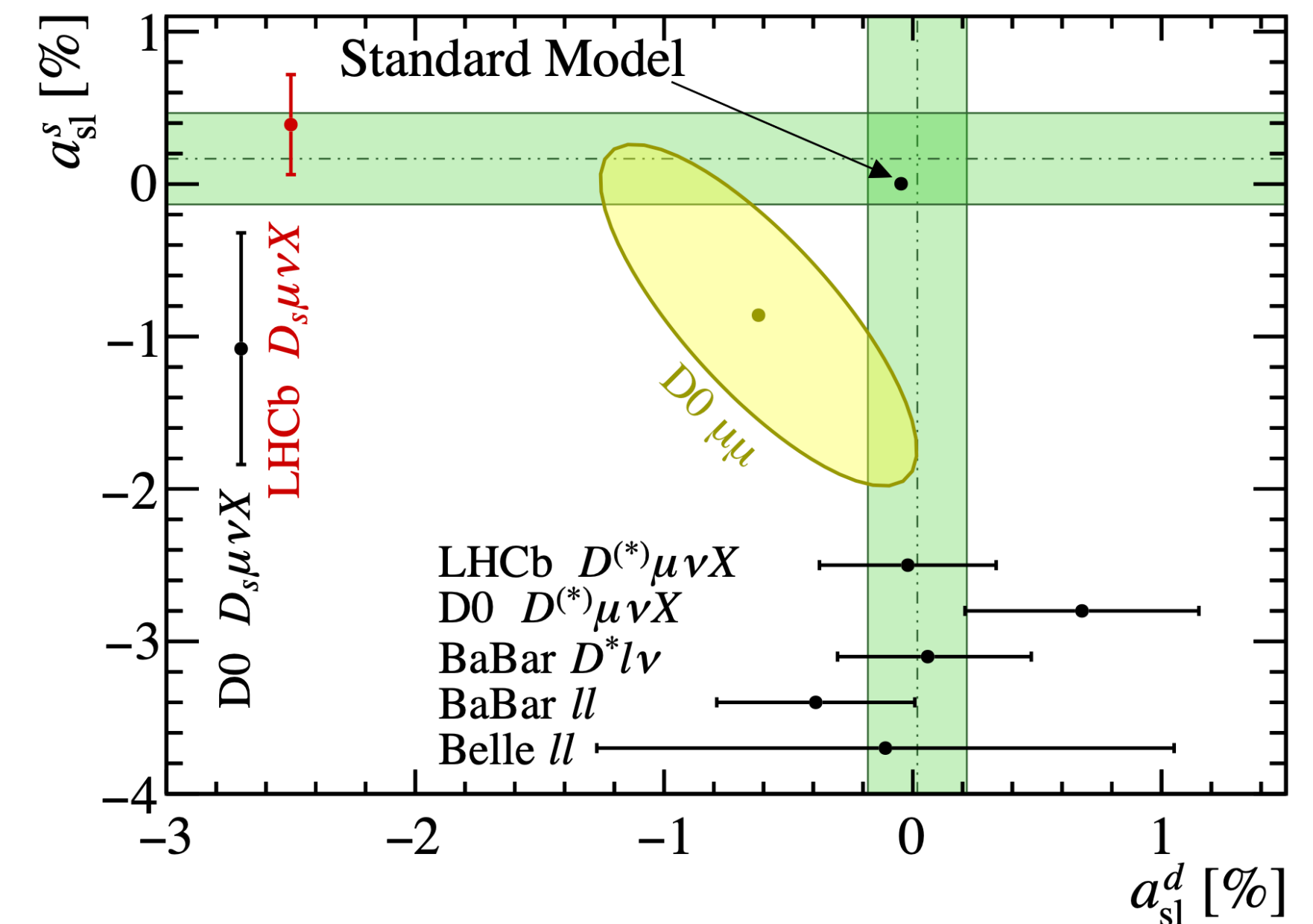
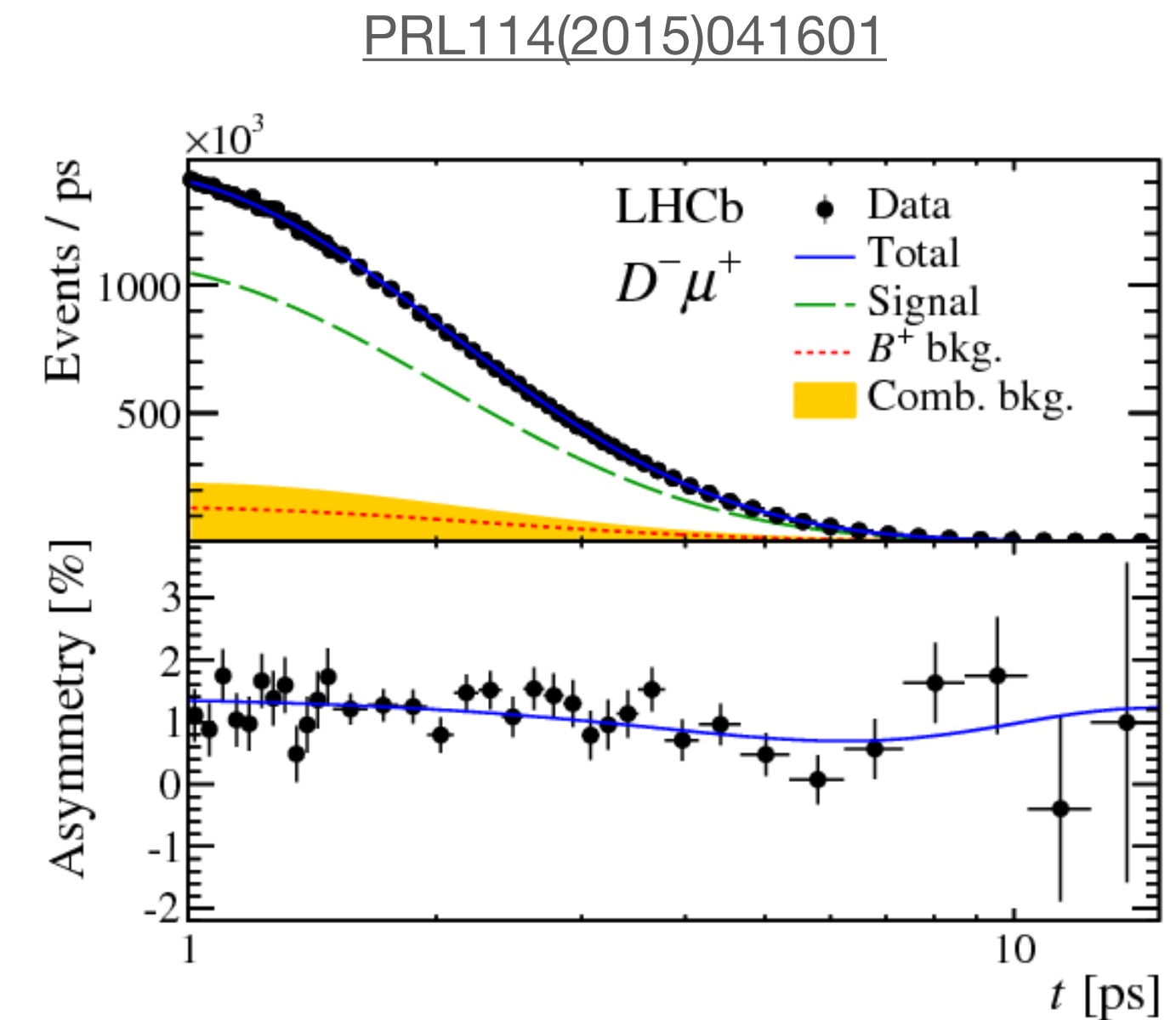
LHCb: decay time shape in $B \rightarrow D^{(*)-}\mu^+\nu$ vs $B \rightarrow D^{(*)+}\mu^-\nu$ decays

Challenges: to control:

- Production asymmetry
- Detection asymmetries (calibrated with D decays)
- Backgrounds

FCC-ee with similar analysis $\Rightarrow$ best precision

	LHCb now	LHCb 300fb ⁻¹	FCC-ee	theo
$\delta a_{sl}^d [10^{-4}]$	36	2	0.25	0.6
$\delta a_{sl}^s [10^{-4}]$	33	3	0.25	0.03

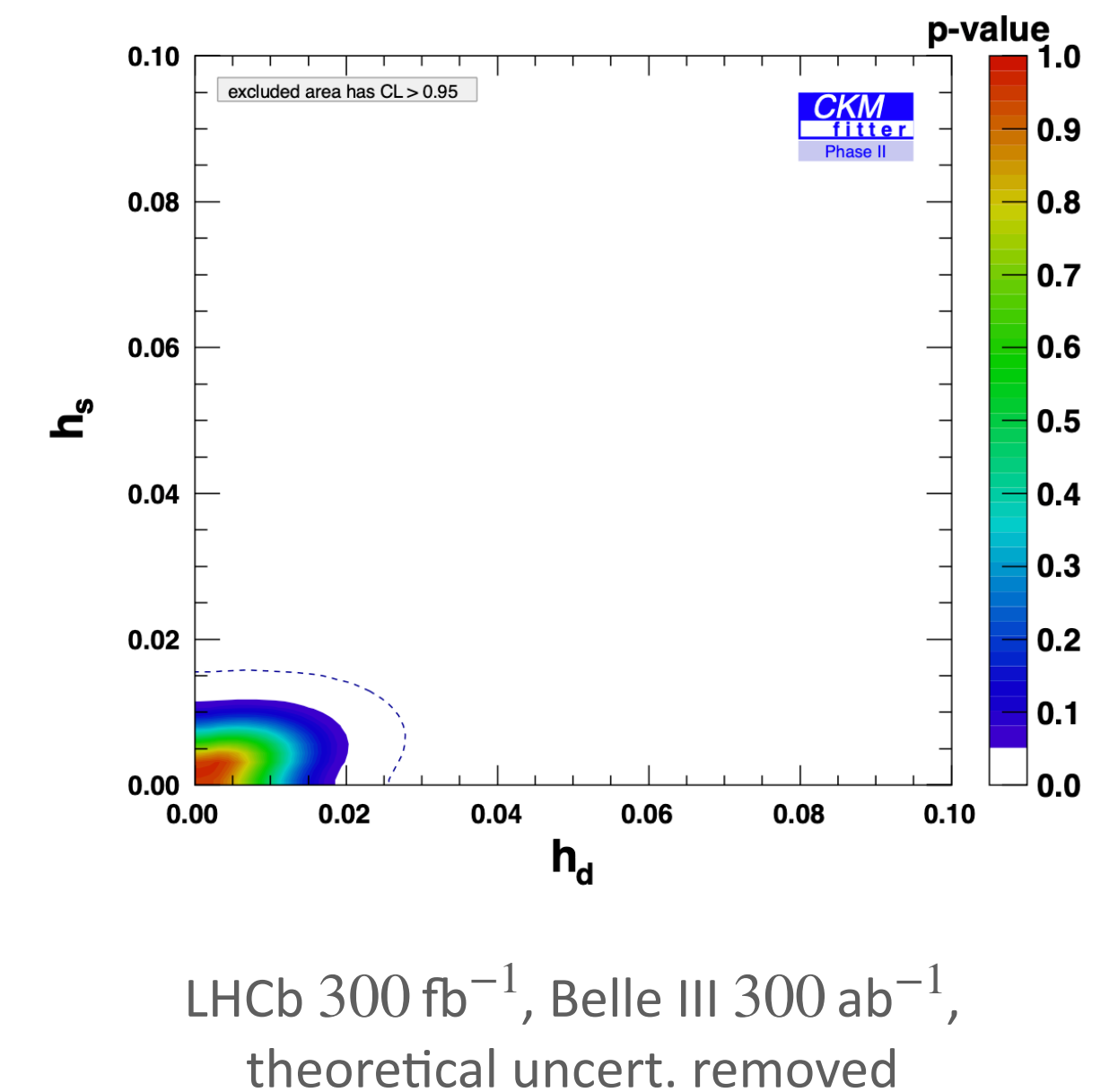
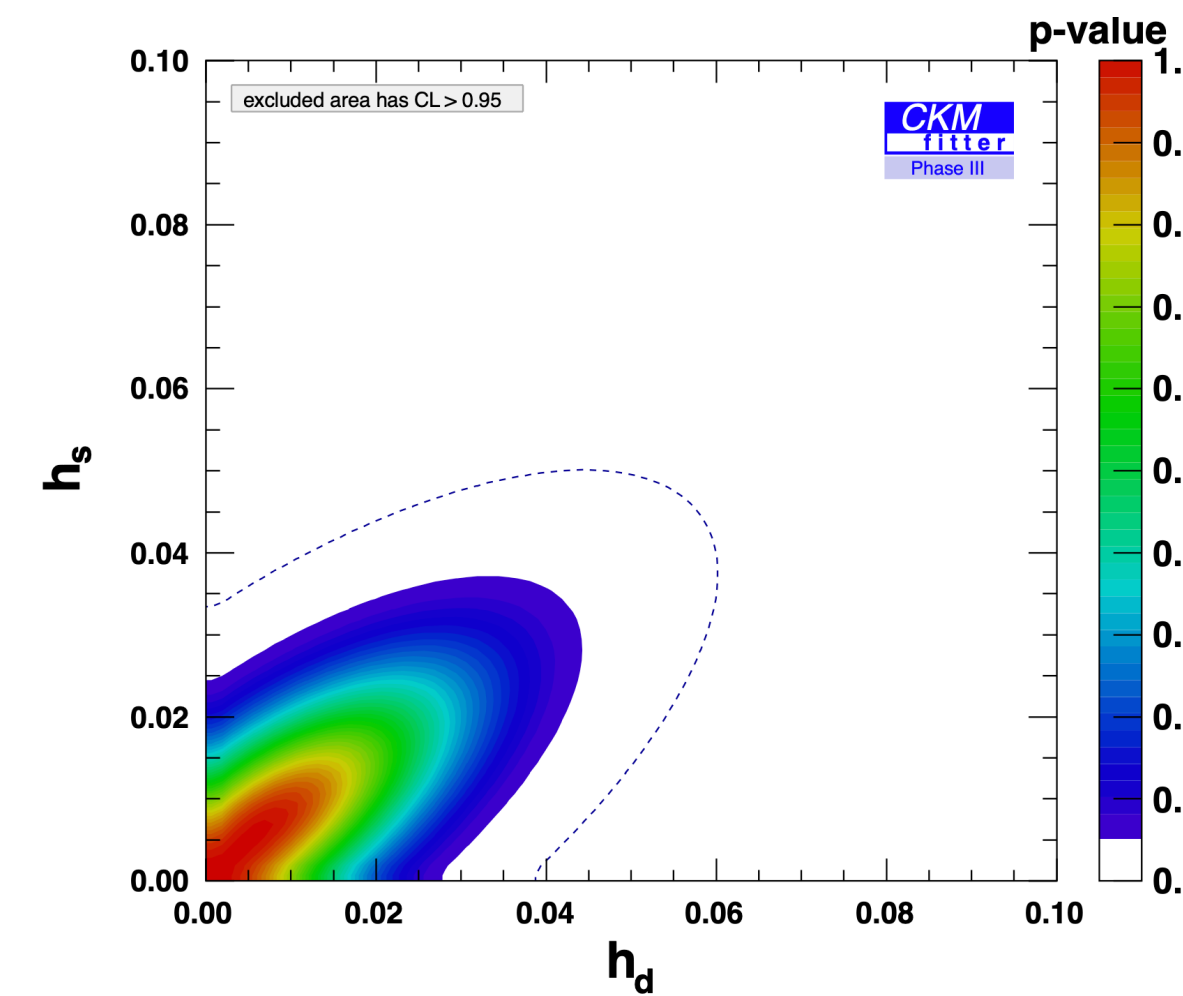
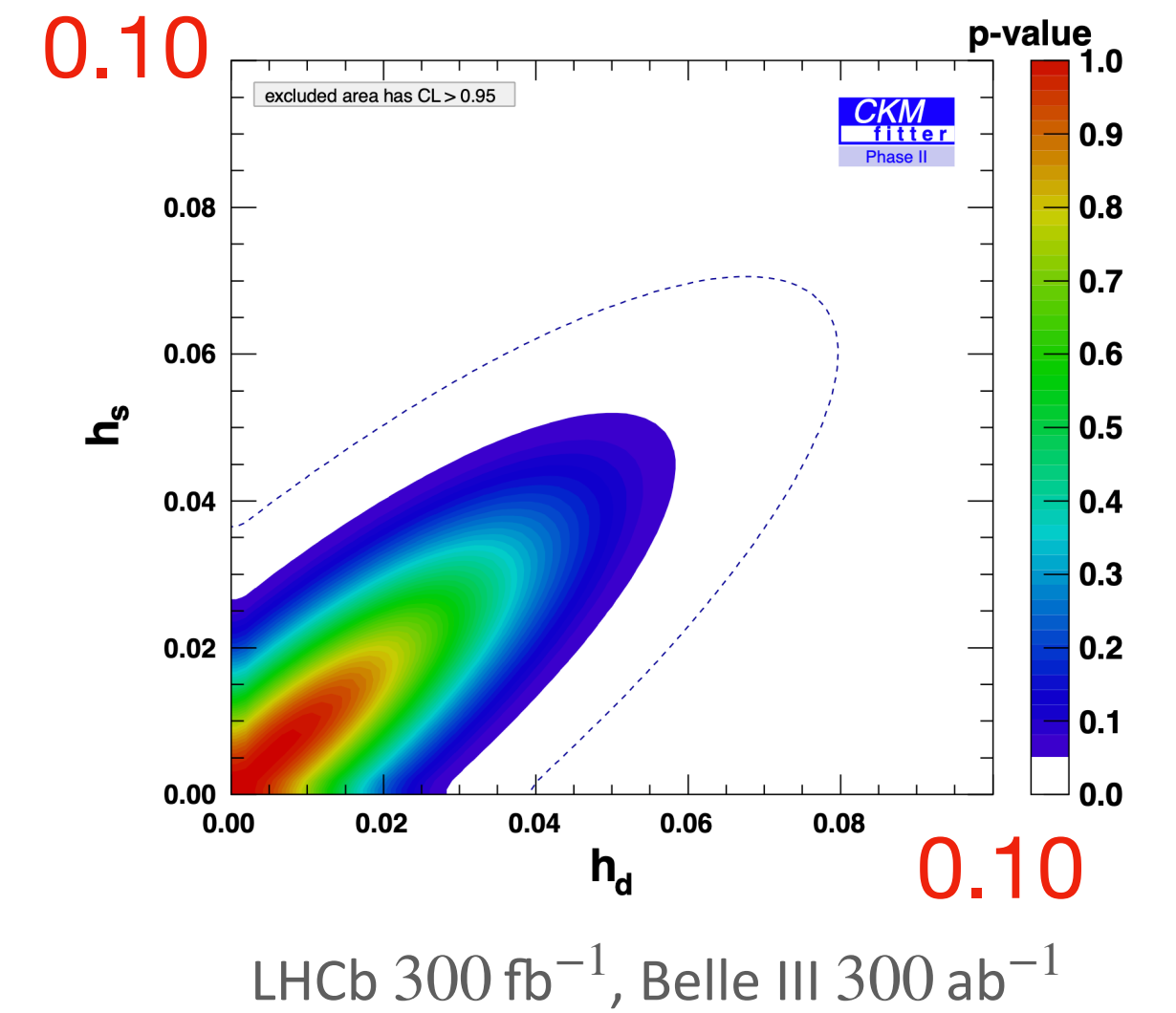
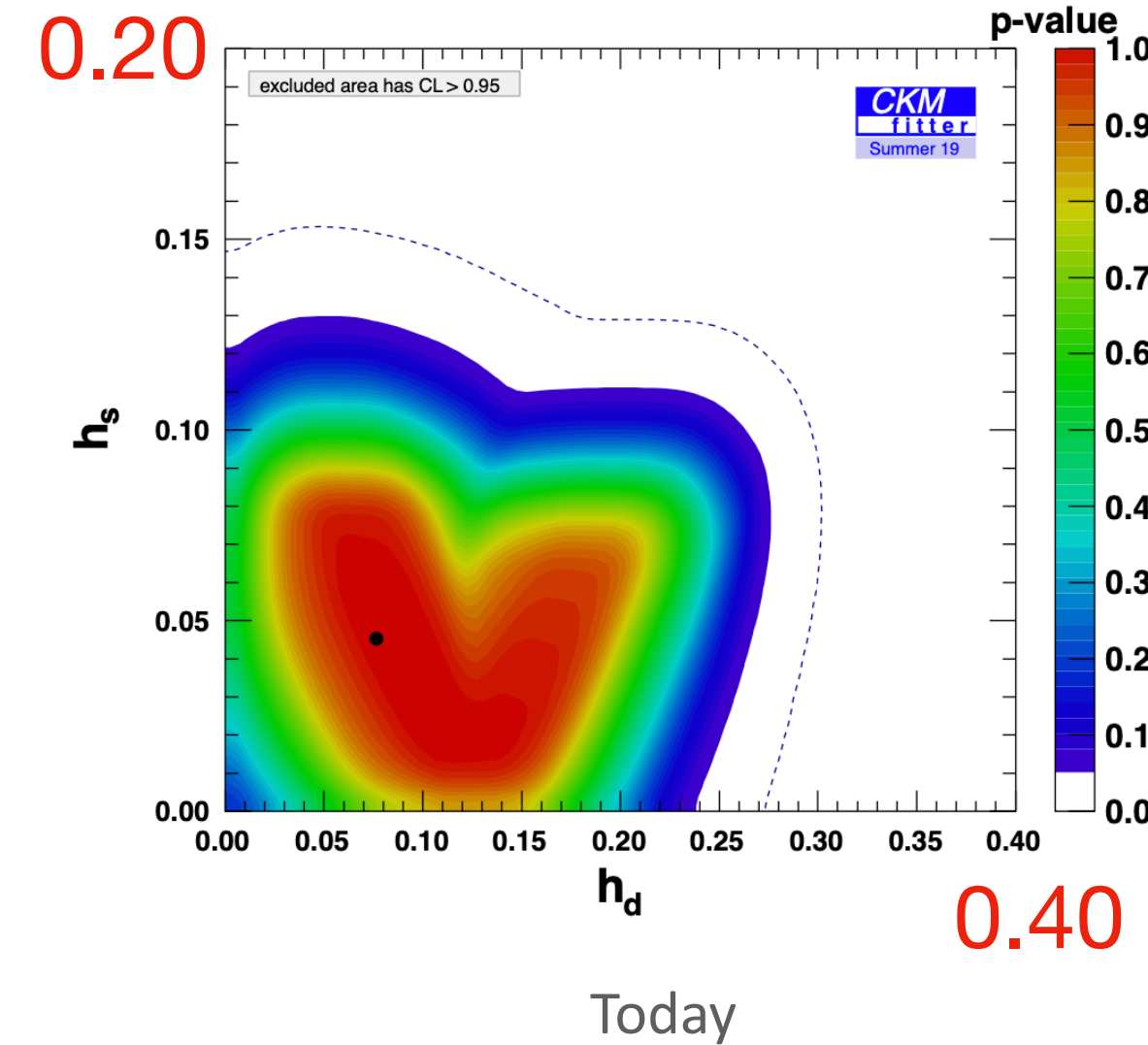


Summary [PRD102\(2020\)056023](#)

Fit the CKM triangle measurements with parameterisation:

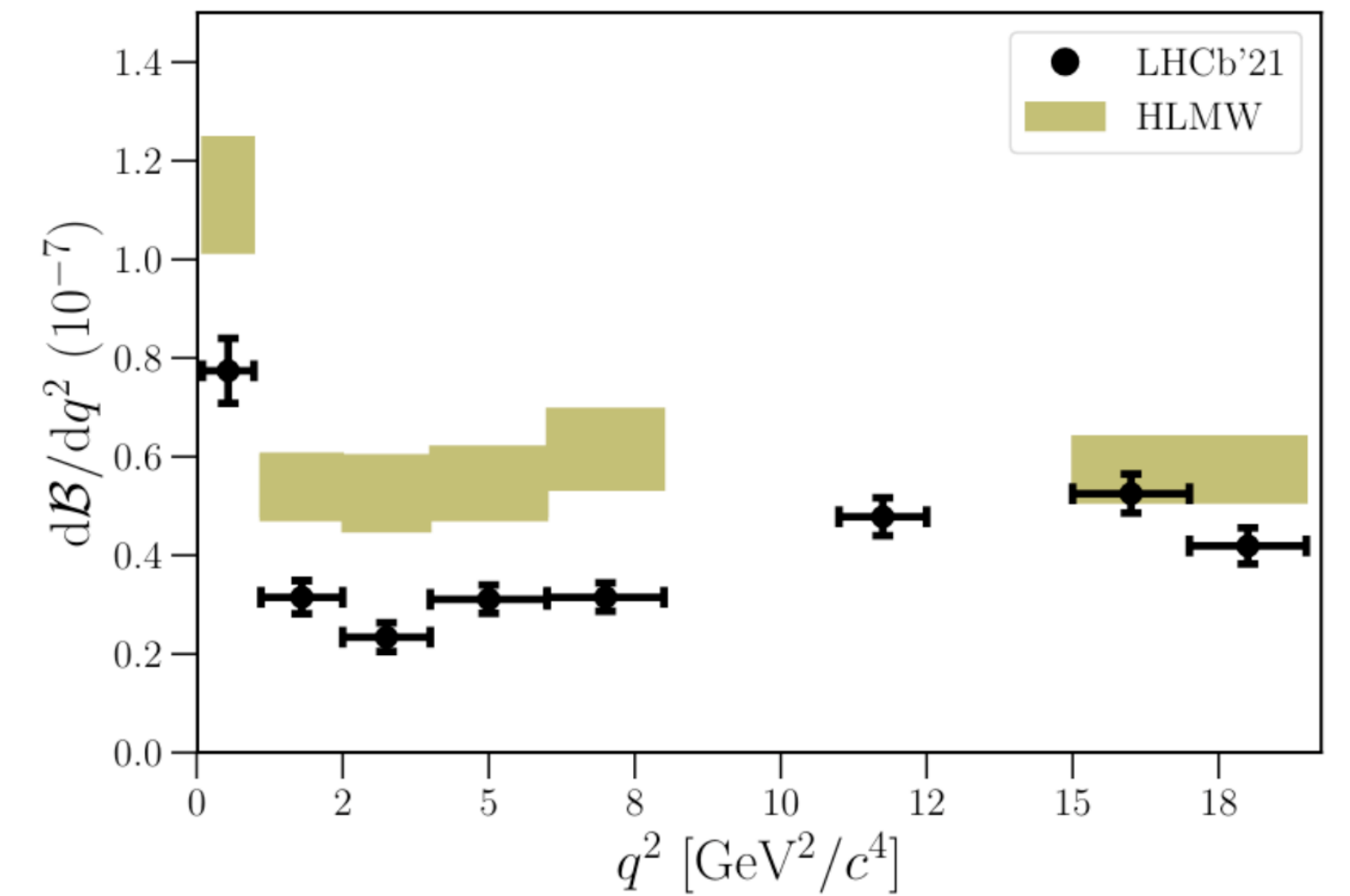
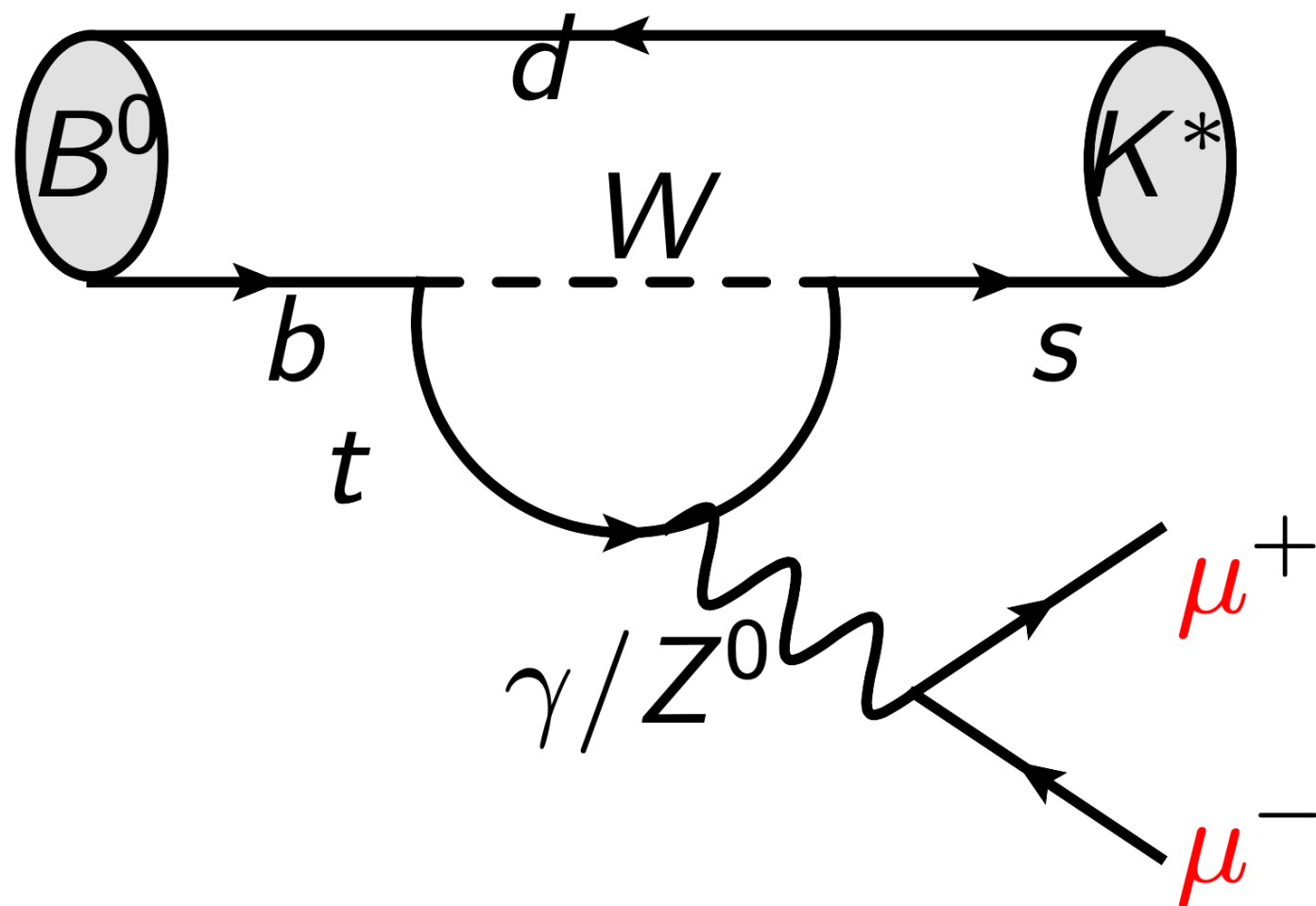
$$A_{box} = A_{box}^{SM} \cdot (1 + h_{s,d} e^{i\sigma_{s,d}})$$

- Today, $h_{s,d} < \sim 15\%$
- Would reduce to $\sim 3\%$ with FCC-ee, HL-LHC, Belle II
- Control of theory uncertainties critical to reach this precision

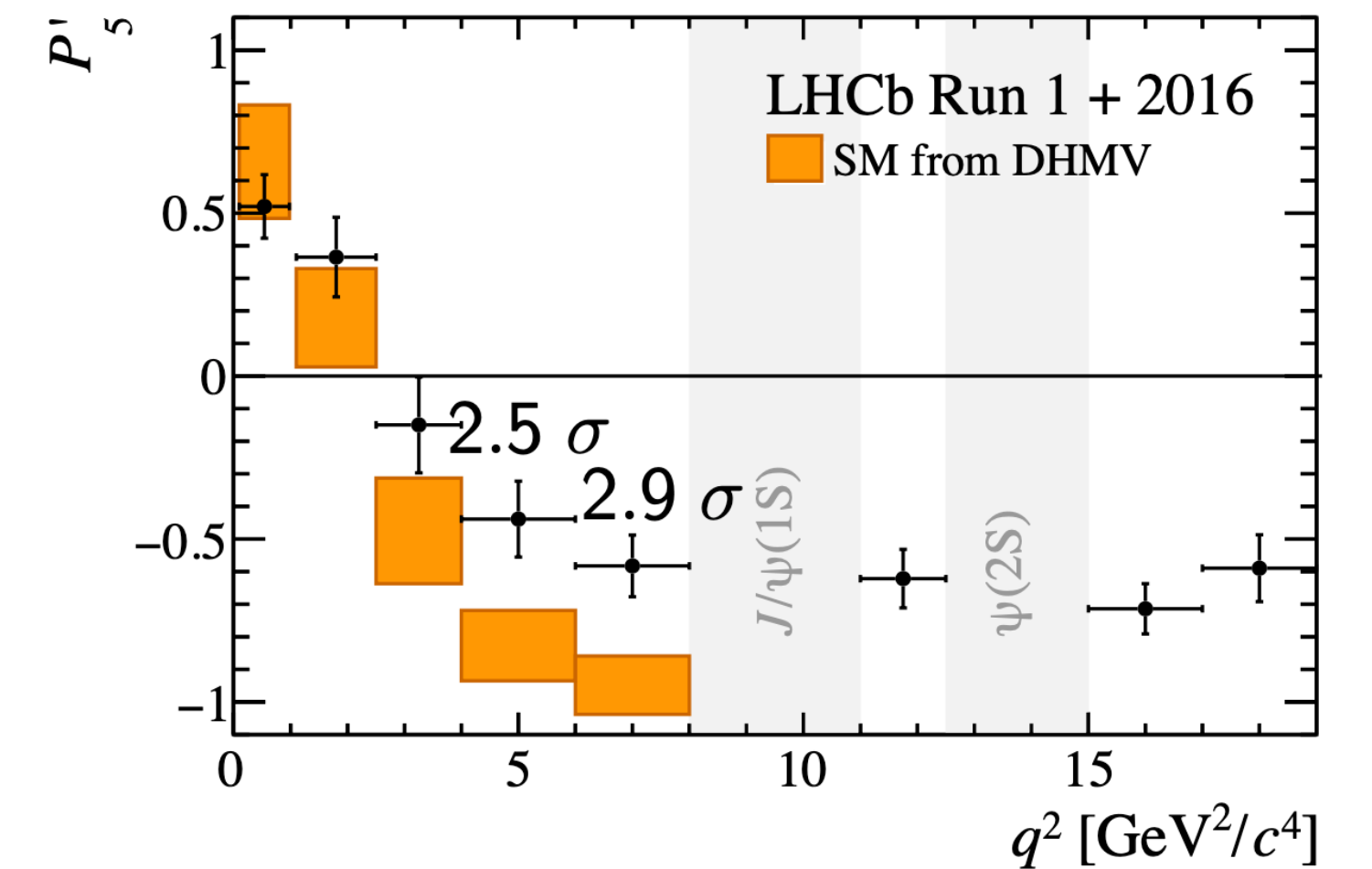


$b \rightarrow s \ell \ell$ penguins

- Penguin-mediated $b \rightarrow s \ell \ell$ transitions suppressed in SM and very sensitive to NP
- Angular observables and BF for $b \rightarrow s \mu \mu$ decays ($B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \mu \mu$, $B_s \rightarrow \phi \mu \mu$) are off



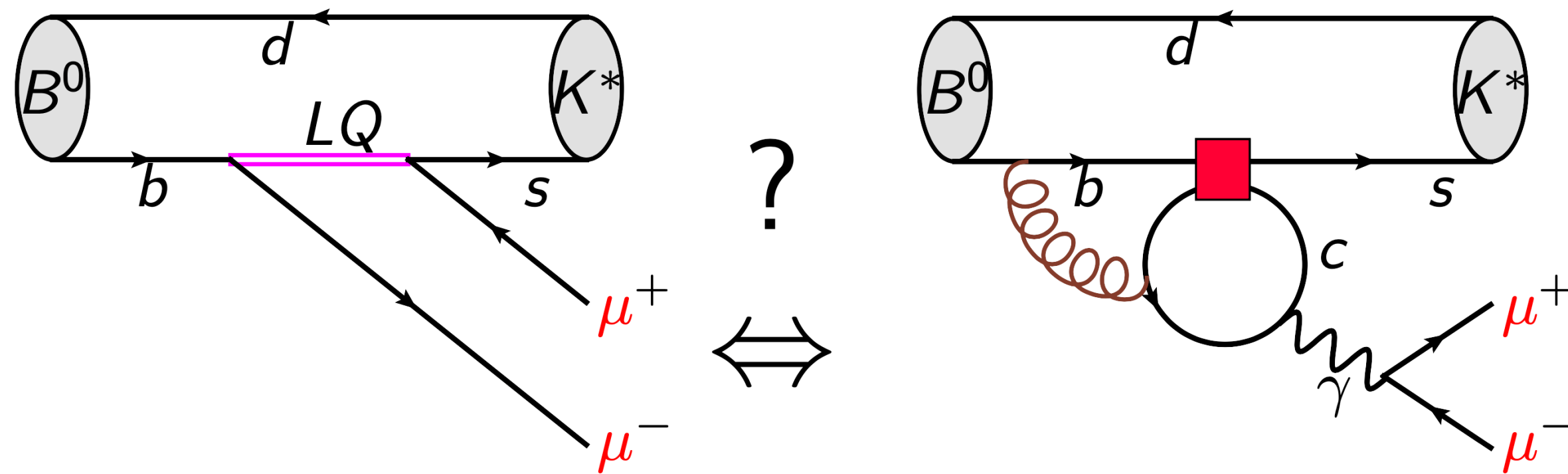
Branching fraction in $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi \mu \mu$
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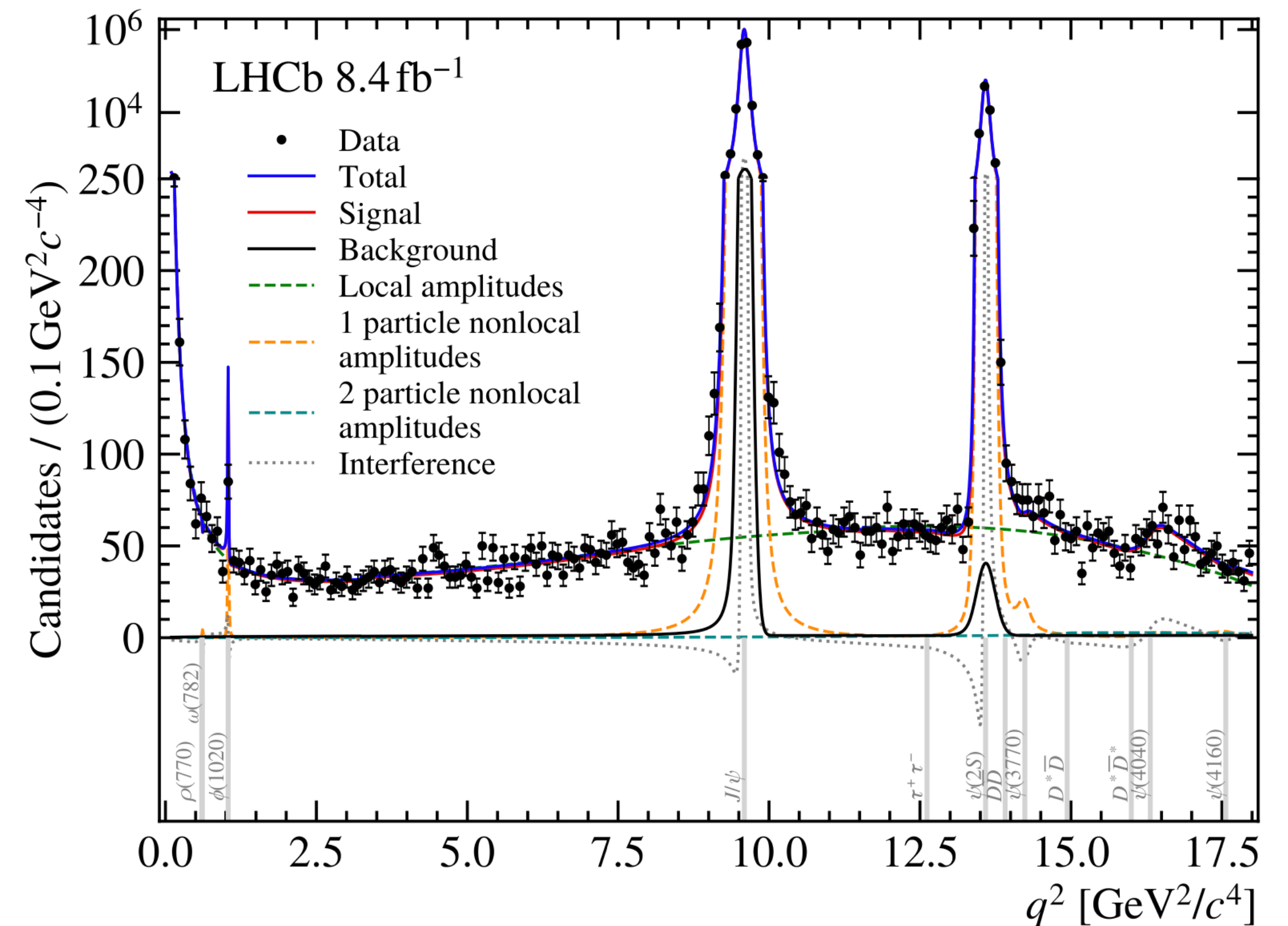
Angular distributions in $B^0 \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$
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Charm loops in $b \rightarrow s \ell \ell$

- NP or charm loops?
- LHCb attempts to control charm loop contributions from the data
- Tension with SM at the level of $\sim 2.1 \sigma$, but mostly free of QCD inputs

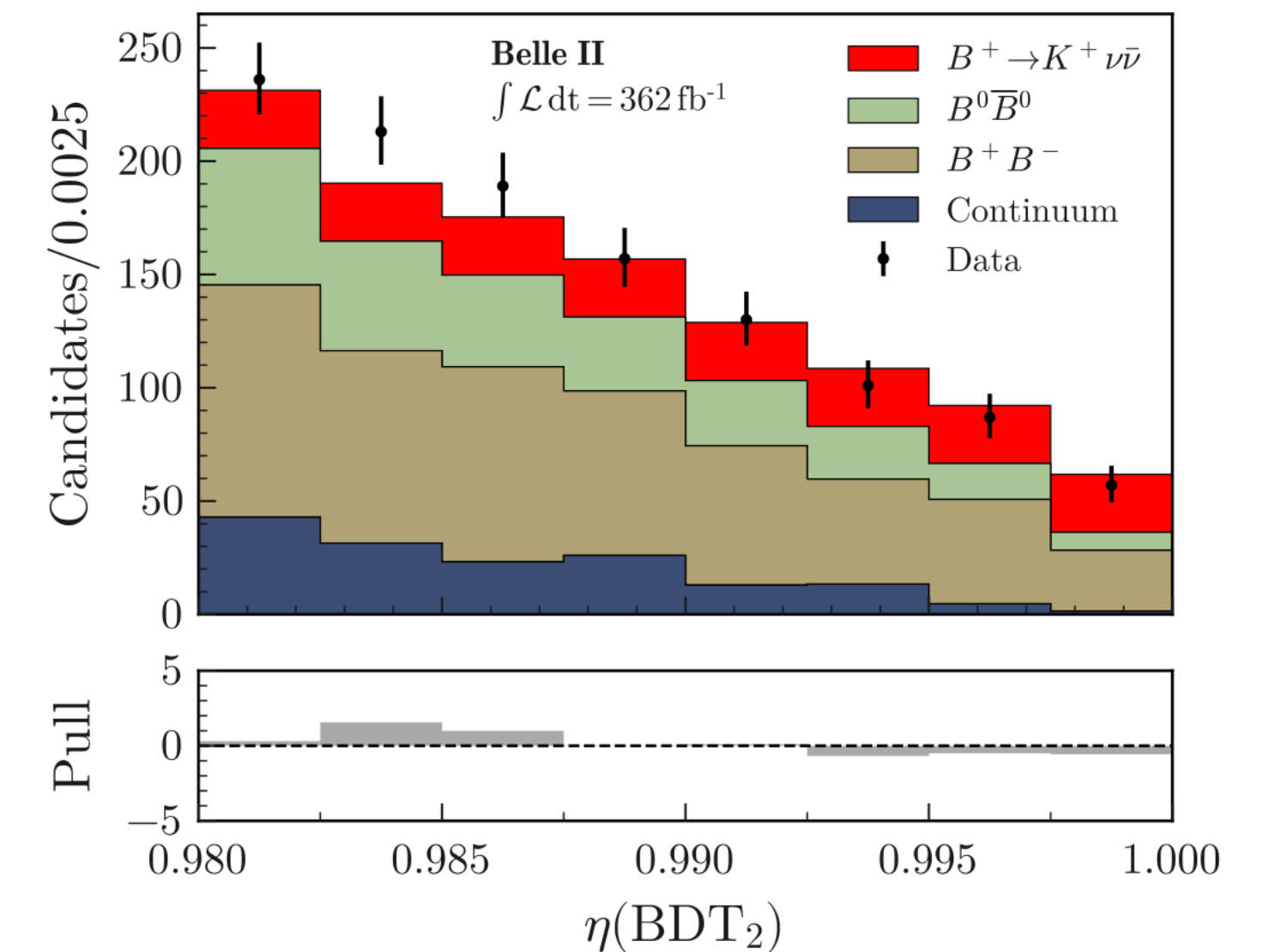
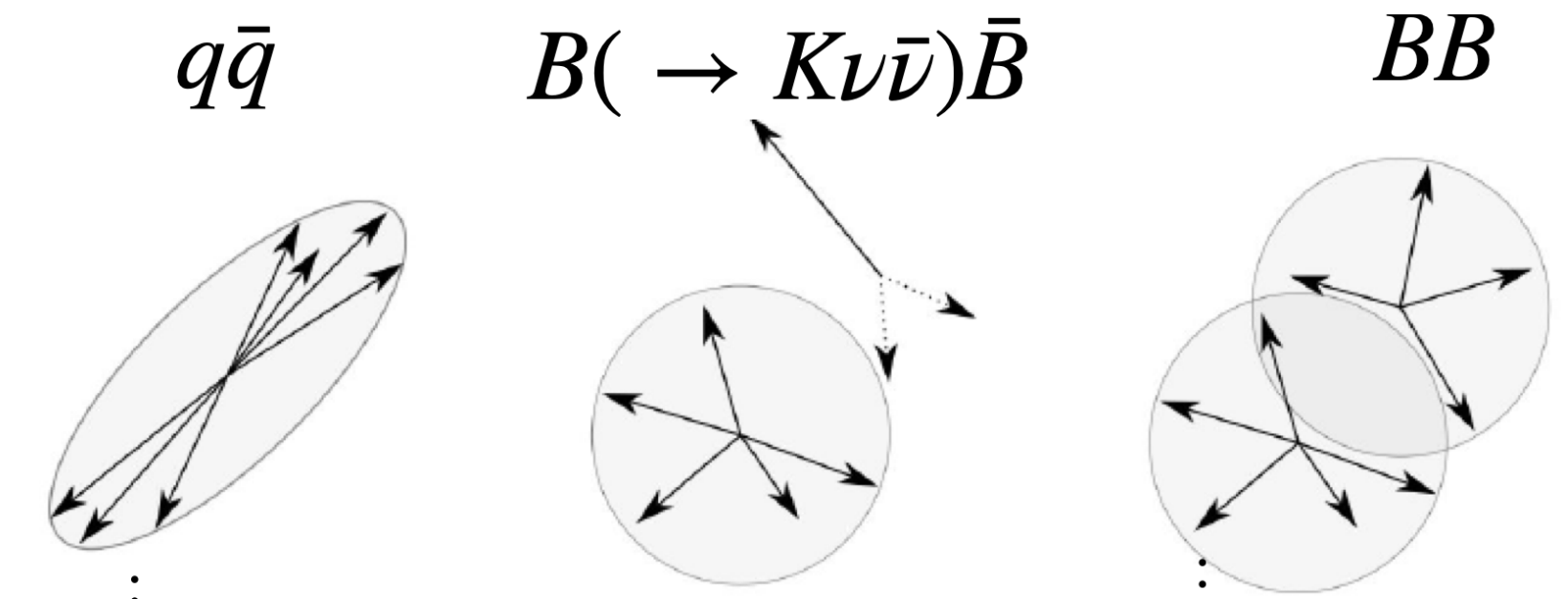


[arXiv:2405.17347](https://arxiv.org/abs/2405.17347)



$B \rightarrow K\nu\nu$: present

- If NP is in $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$, also expect it in $b \rightarrow s\nu\nu$
- Theoretically clean: no charm loops!
- Belle II $B^+ \rightarrow K^+\nu\nu$ analysis with 2 techniques:
 - Exclusive: reconstruct other B in $ee \rightarrow BB$ to infer missing energy
 - Inclusive: detect large momentum K^+ , train classifier based on event topology/occupancy
- Observe an excess: 3.6σ wrt background only,
 2.8σ above SM.

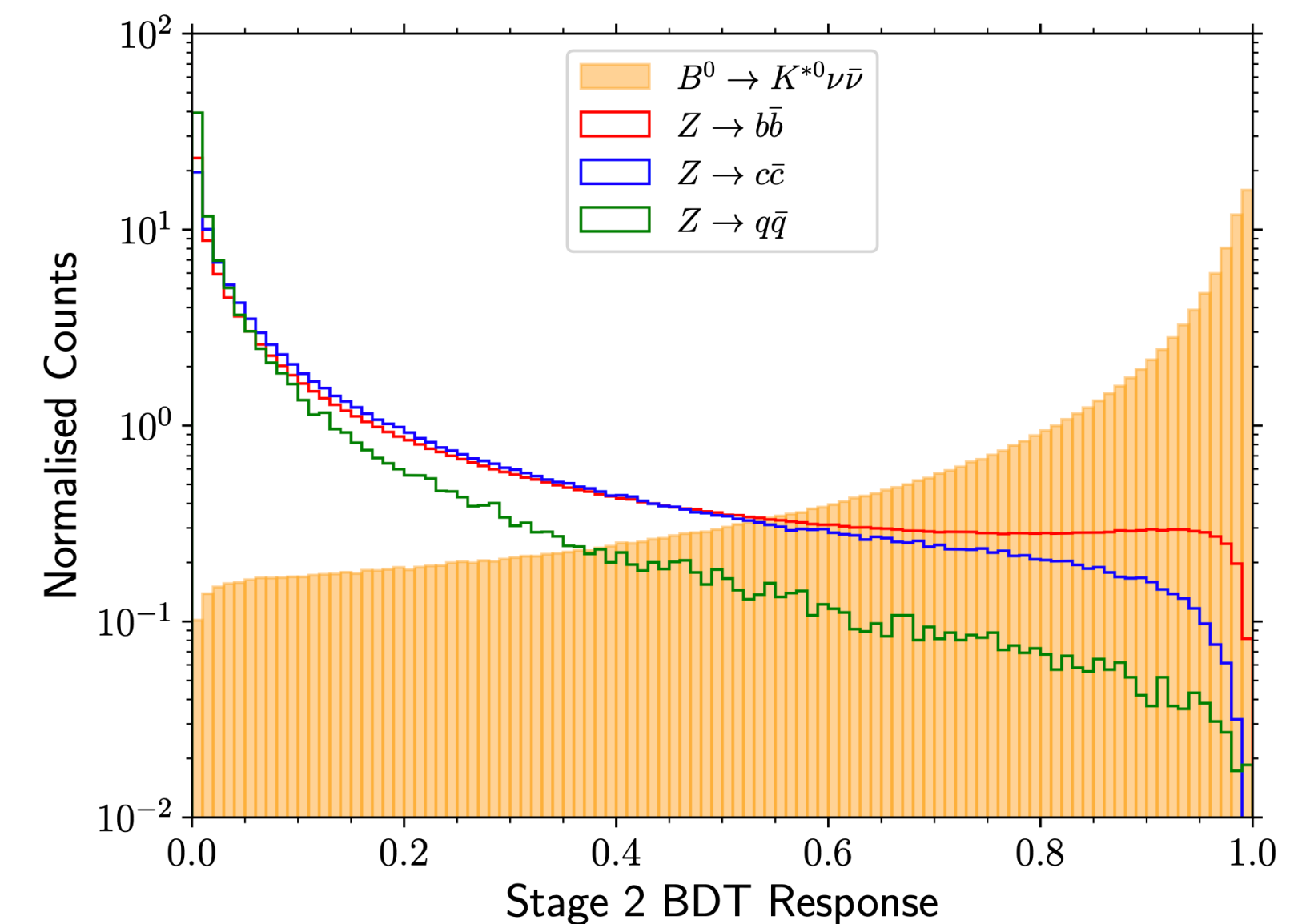
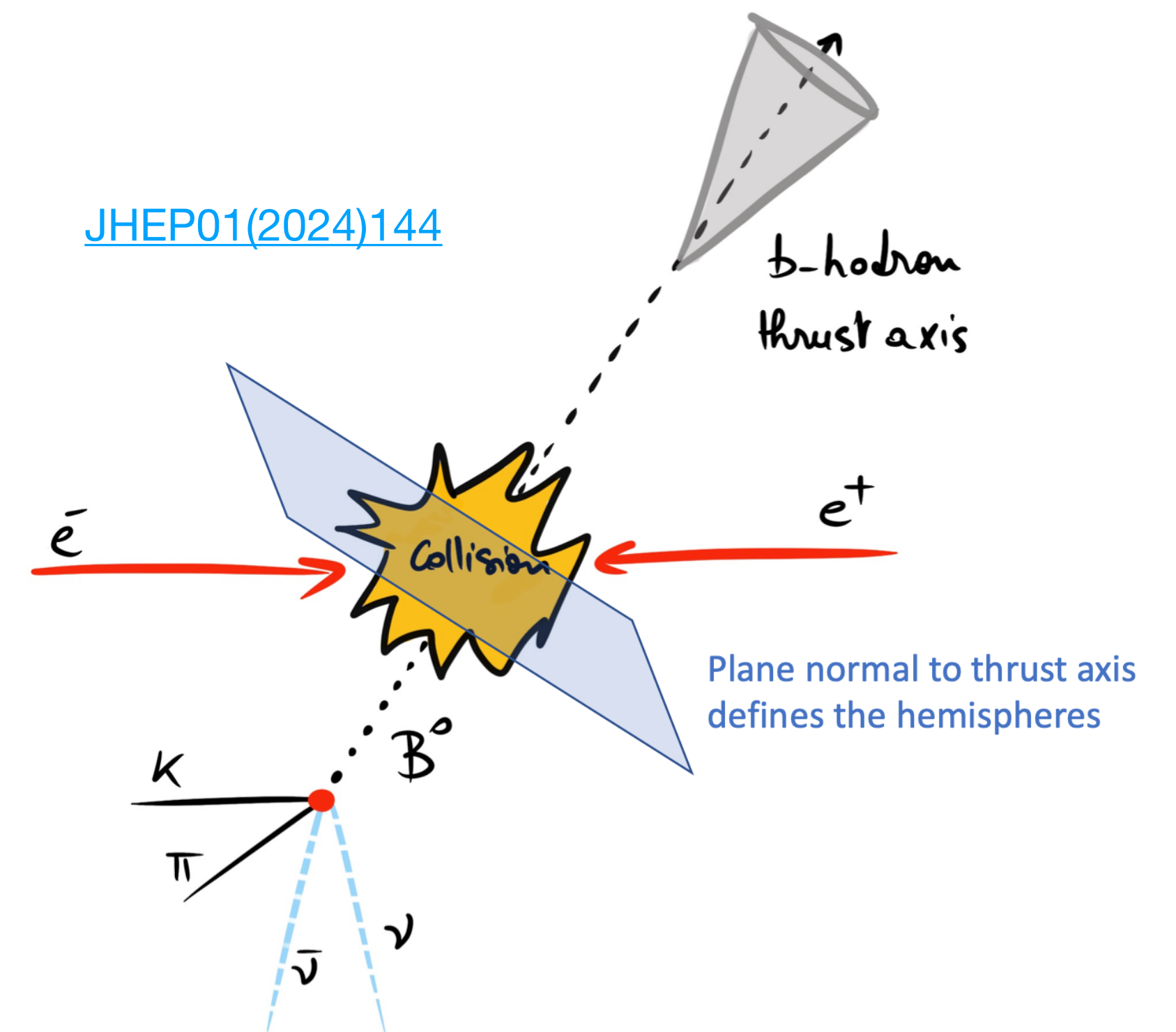


$B \rightarrow K\nu\nu$: future

- FCC-ee sensitivity study for $B^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\nu\nu$
- Discriminate from backgrounds using mainly:
 - detached $K^+\pi^-$ vertex
 - missing energy in hemisphere
- Expected precisions on BF:

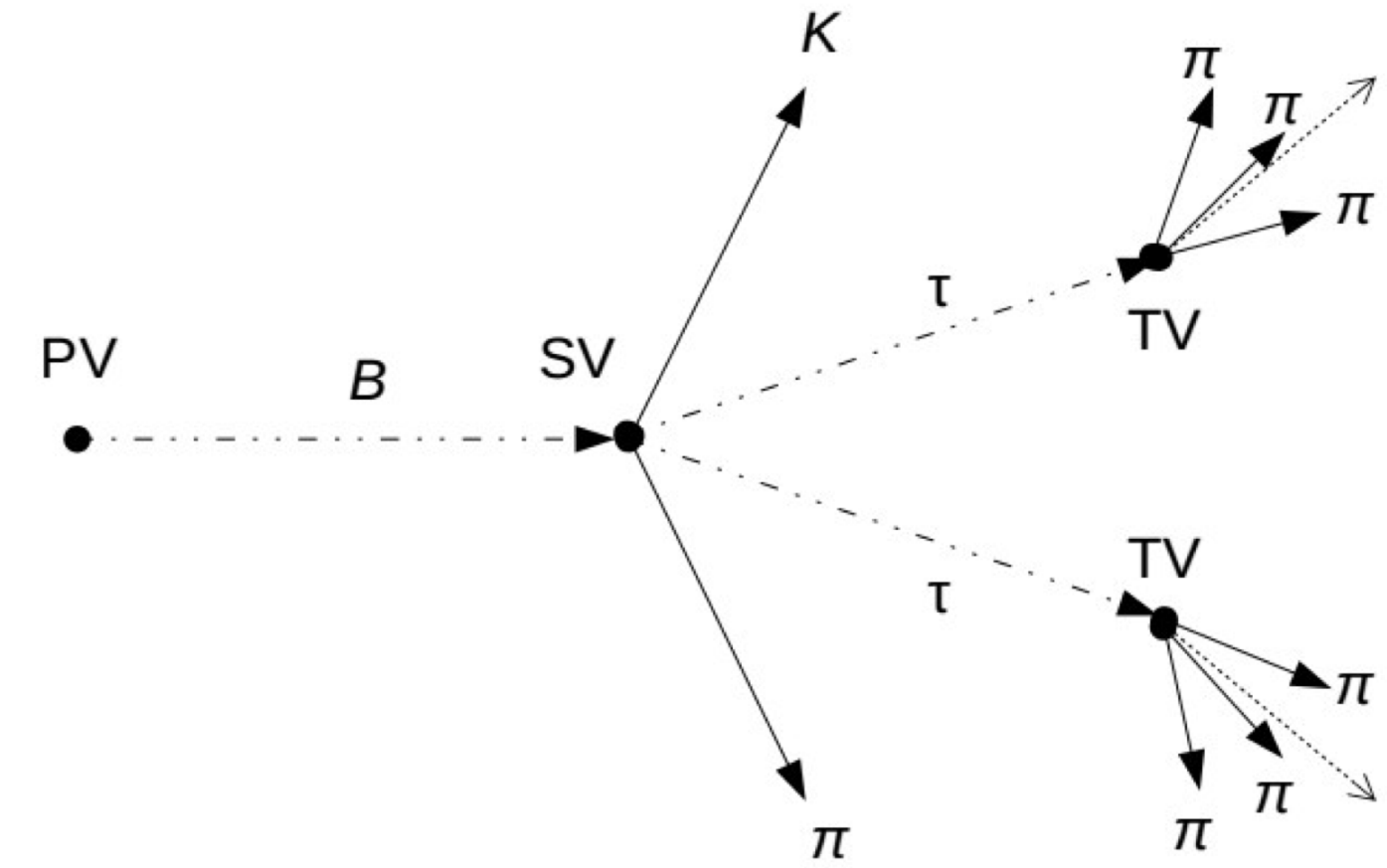
Belle II 50 ab^{-1}	$\sim 10\%$
FCC-ee:	$\sim 0.5\%$

 - Would allow more refined analysis to extract additional observables (f_L)
- Similar situation for $B_s \rightarrow \phi\nu\nu$, $\Lambda_b \rightarrow pK\nu\nu$

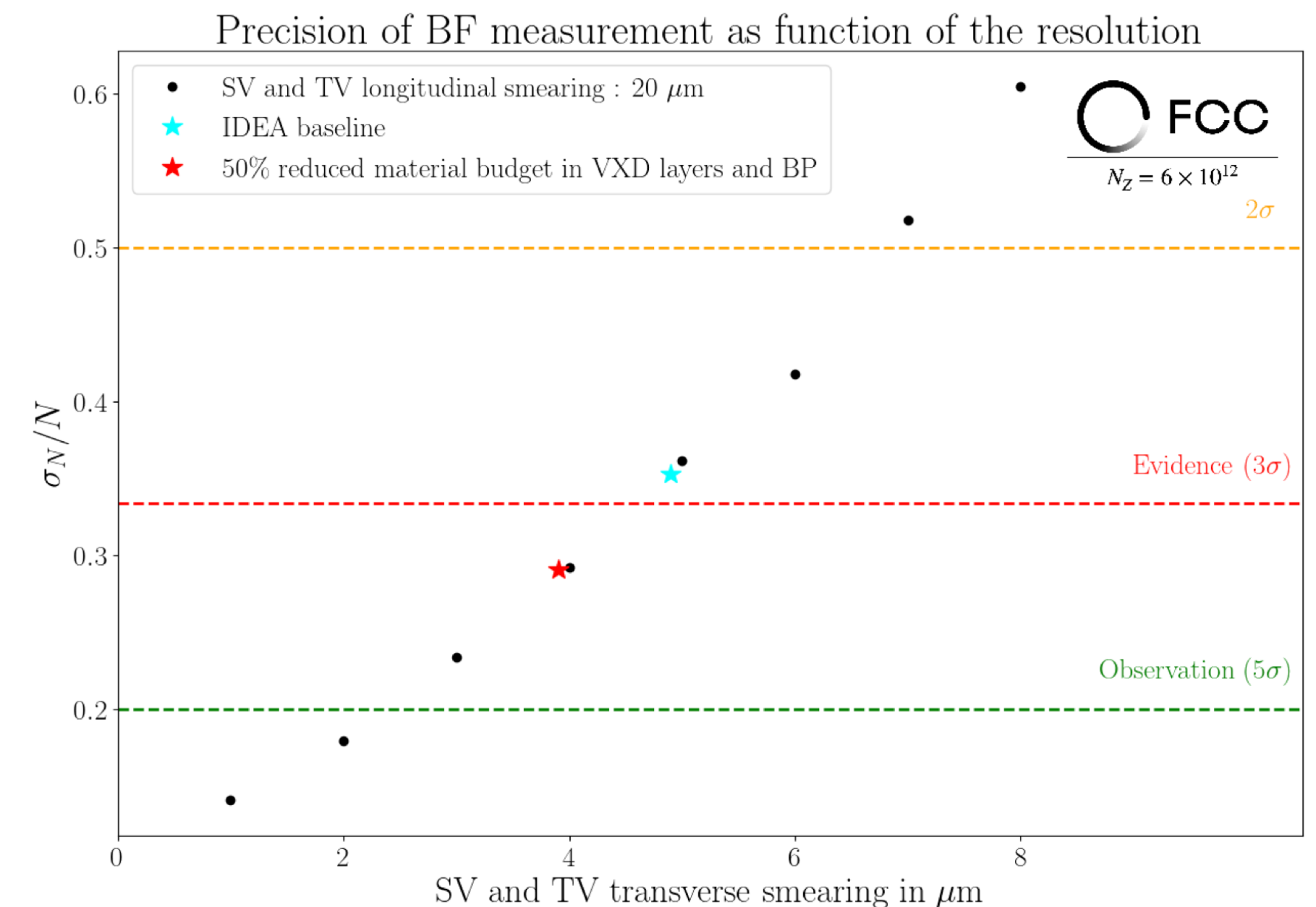


$$b \rightarrow s\tau\tau$$

- Similarly, $b \rightarrow s\tau\tau$ also sensitive to NP
- Very difficult to see, as tau leptons always decay to at least 1 neutrino
- At Belle II, no real hope of observing it
- [Recent study](#) for a $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*-}\tau^+\tau^-$ search at FCC-ee:
 - using $\tau \rightarrow 3\pi\nu$ decays
 - sensitivity depends strongly on vertex resolution, 3σ evidence not guaranteed



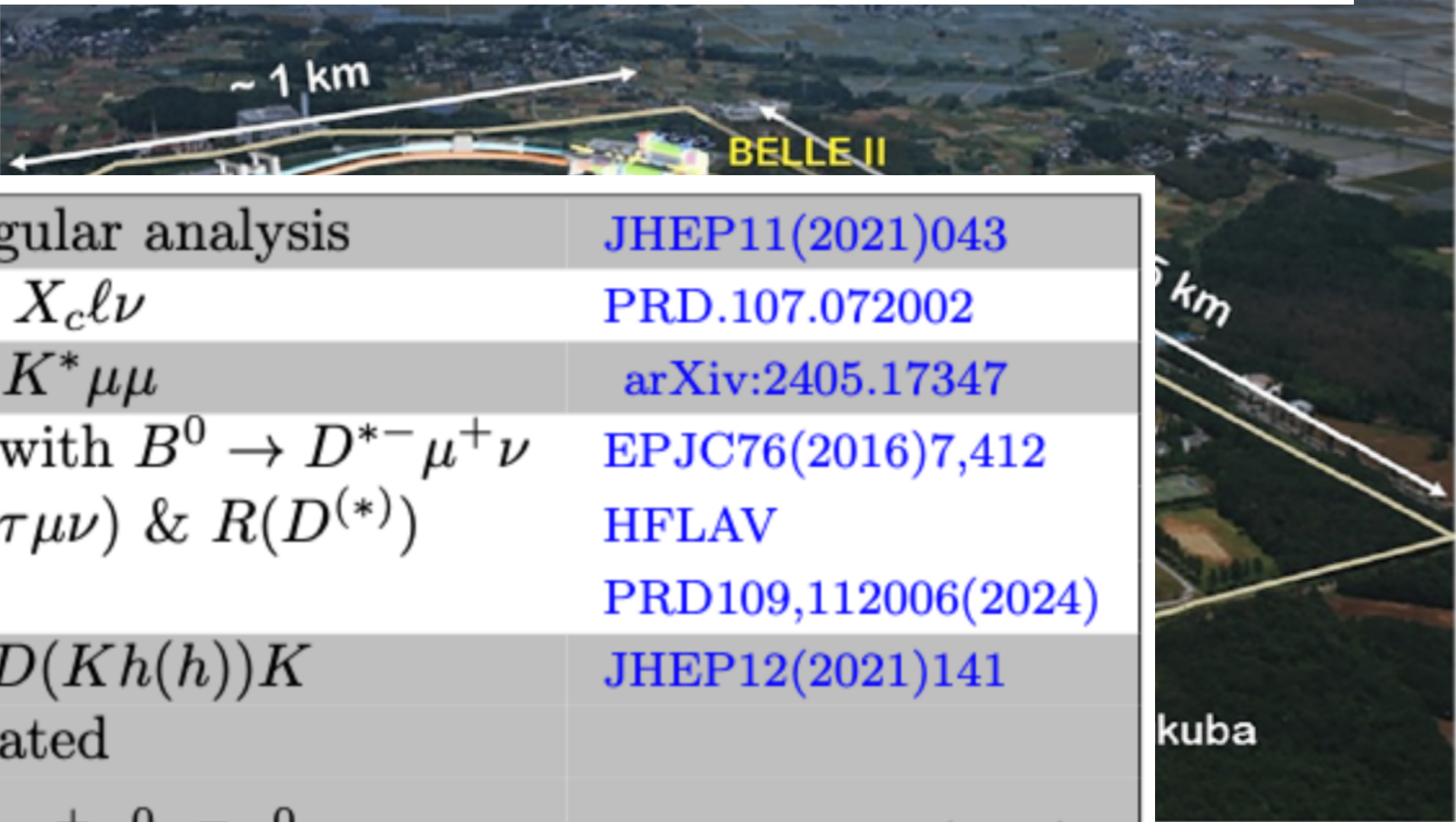
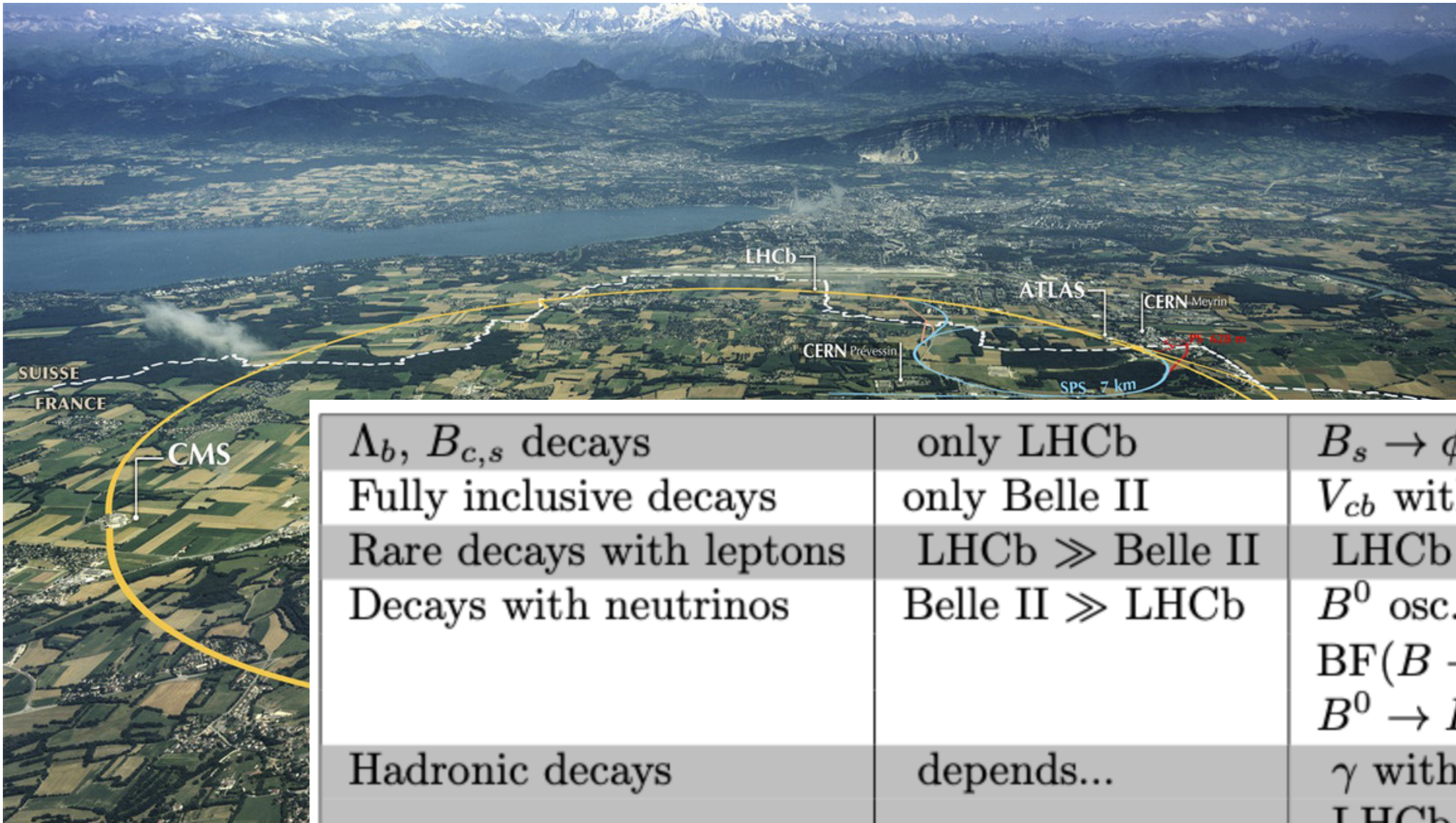
Decay topology



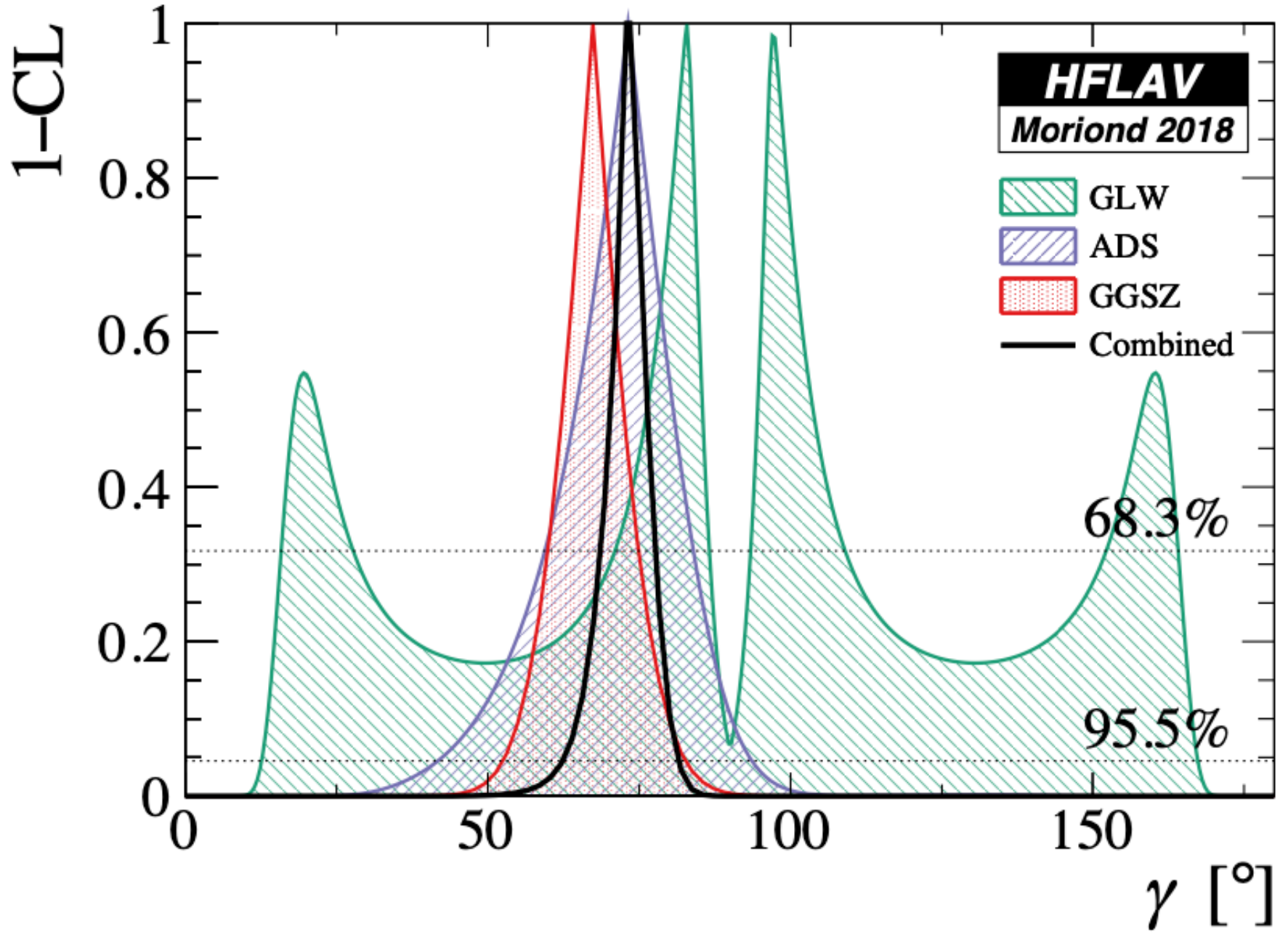
Conclusions

- I have shown prospects in studies of the CKM triangle and penguin decays (esp. with missing energy), and what Tera- Z can bring
- FCC-ee can do more than what I discussed:
 - B physics: polarised Λ_b , lepton flavour violating decays, $2\beta_{(s)} + \gamma$ (with $B_s \rightarrow D_s K$), α with $B \rightarrow \pi\pi$, etc.
 - D physics: not much explored, quite some activities now at Belle II
 - τ physics, and Z couplings to leptons
- How much Tera- Z brings also depends on how HL LHCb, Belle II perform and on progress in theory predictions

LHC vs superKEKB



$\Lambda_b, B_{c,s}$ decays	only LHCb	$B_s \rightarrow \phi \mu \mu$ angular analysis	JHEP11(2021)043
Fully inclusive decays	only Belle II	V_{cb} with $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu$	PRD.107.072002
Rare decays with leptons	LHCb $\gg$ Belle II	LHCb $B^0 \rightarrow K^* \mu \mu$	arXiv:2405.17347
Decays with neutrinos	Belle II $\gg$ LHCb	B^0 osc. freq. with $B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \mu^+ \nu$	EPJC76(2016)7,412
		$\text{BF}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \mu \nu) \ \& \ R(D^{(*)})$	HFLAV
		$B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \nu \nu$	PRD109,112006(2024)
Hadronic decays	depends...	γ with $B \rightarrow D(K h(h)) K$	JHEP12(2021)141
		LHCb dominated	
		α with $B^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 \pi^- \pi^0$	PRD93,032010(2016)
		Belle dominated	



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