



Studying penguins in the jungle

Rare beauty baryon decays at LHCb

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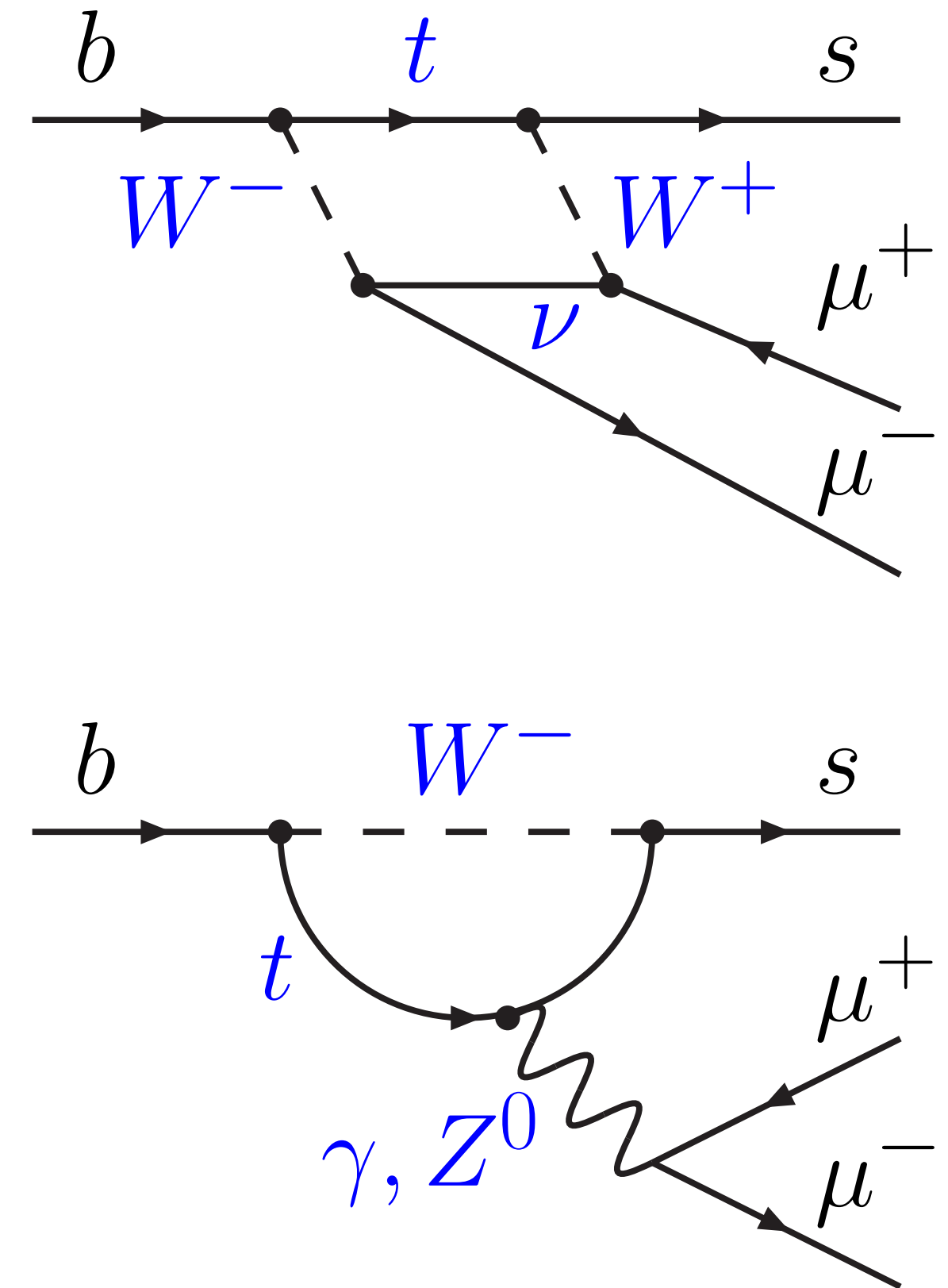
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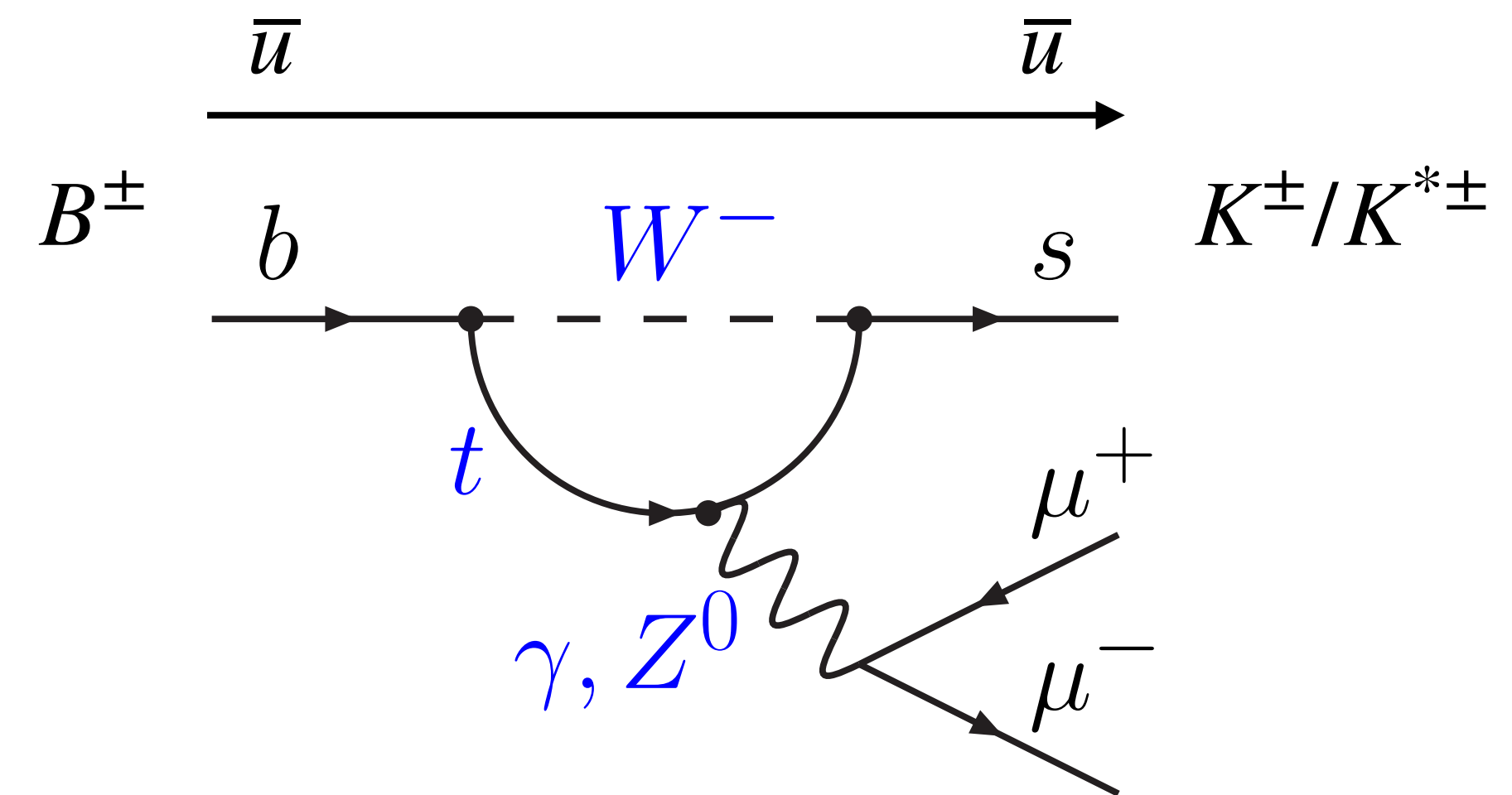
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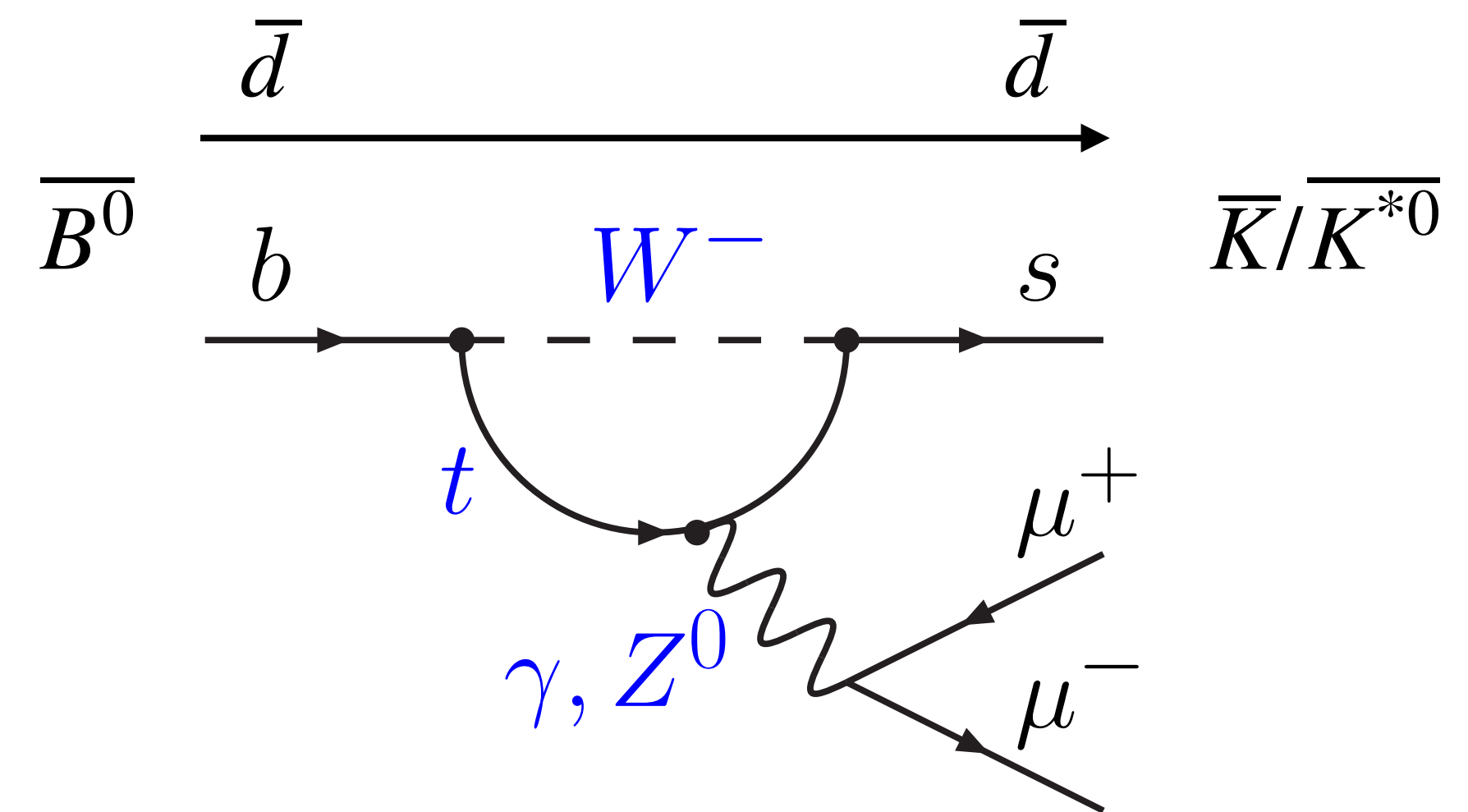
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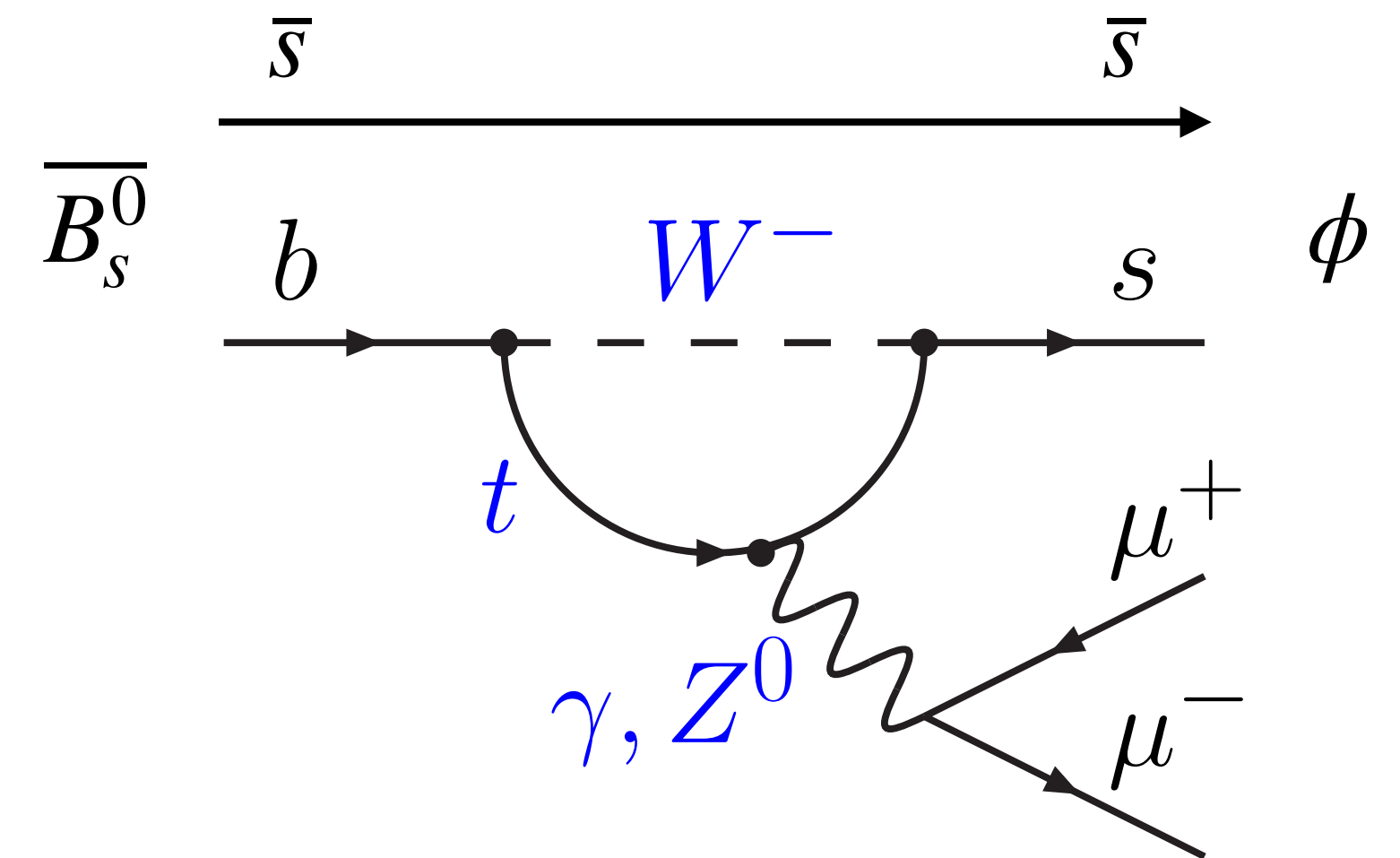
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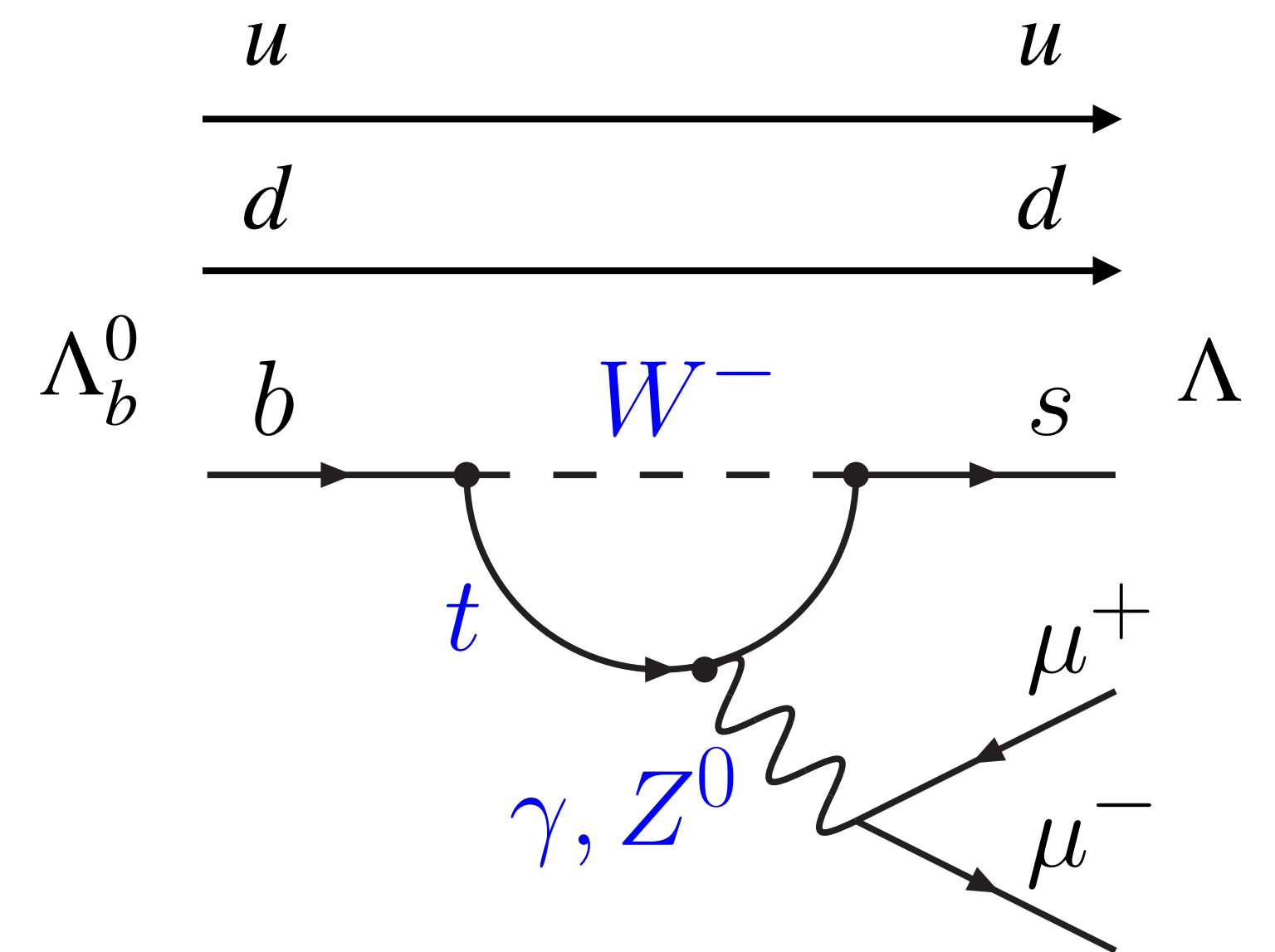
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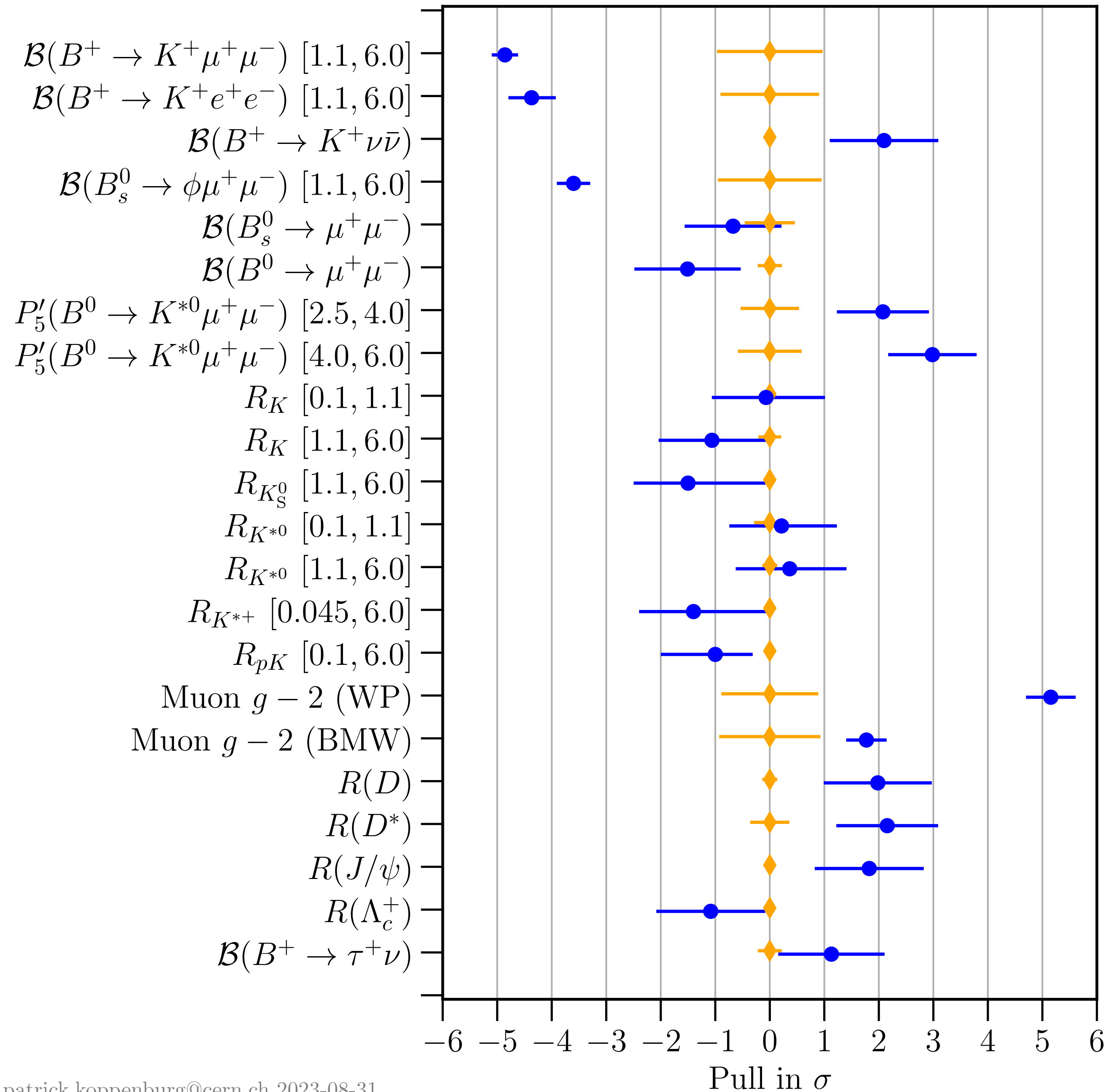
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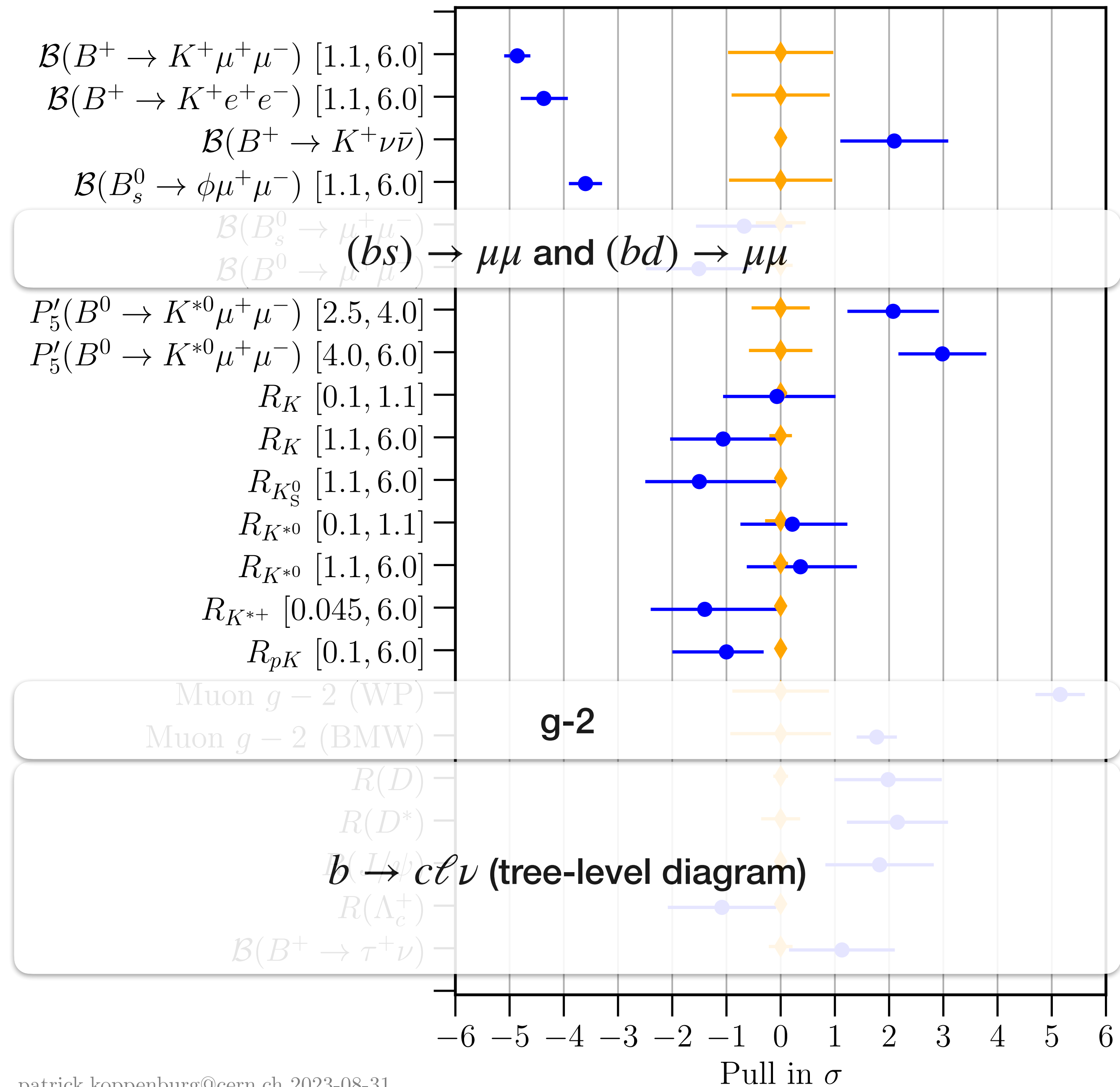
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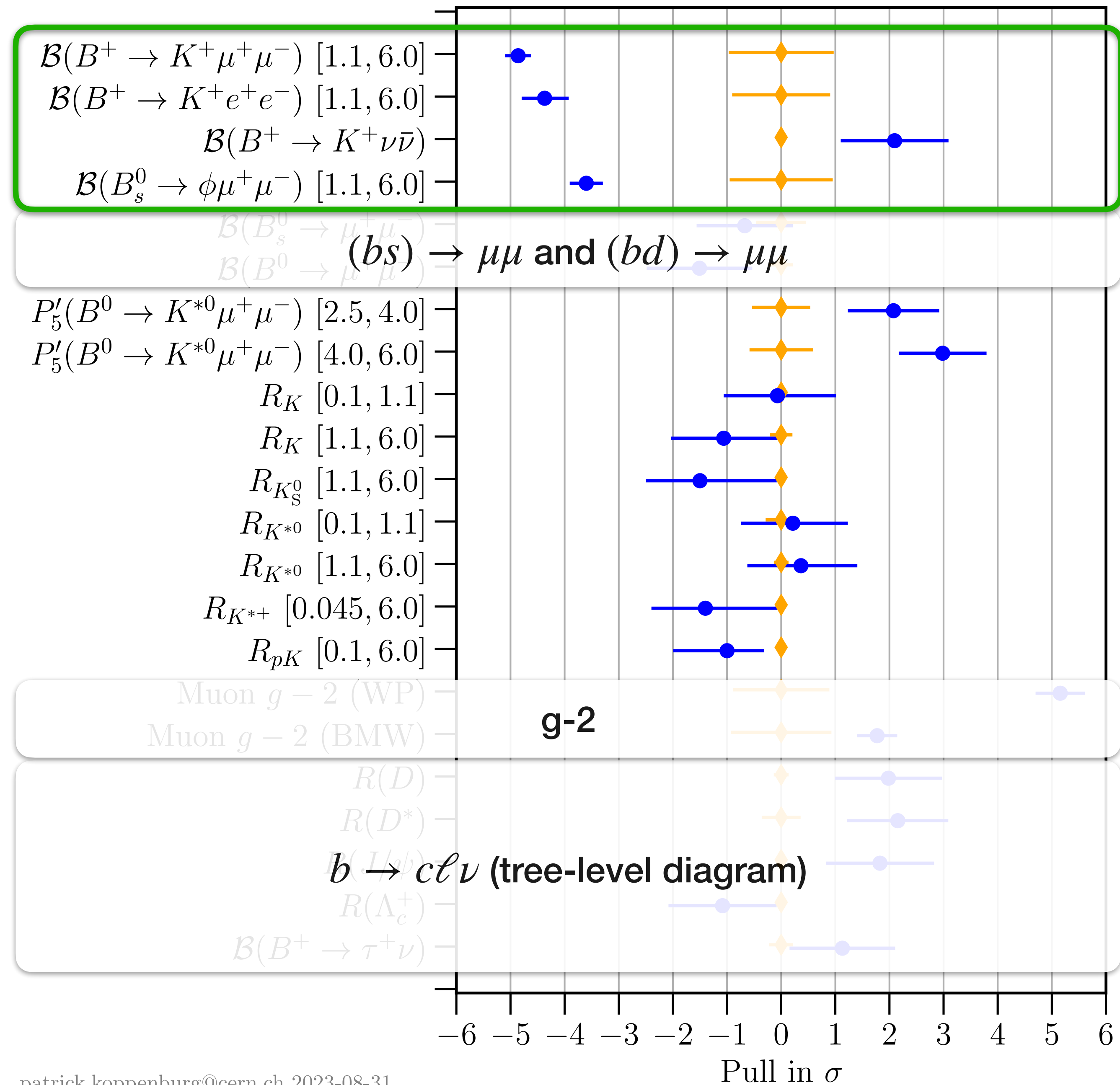


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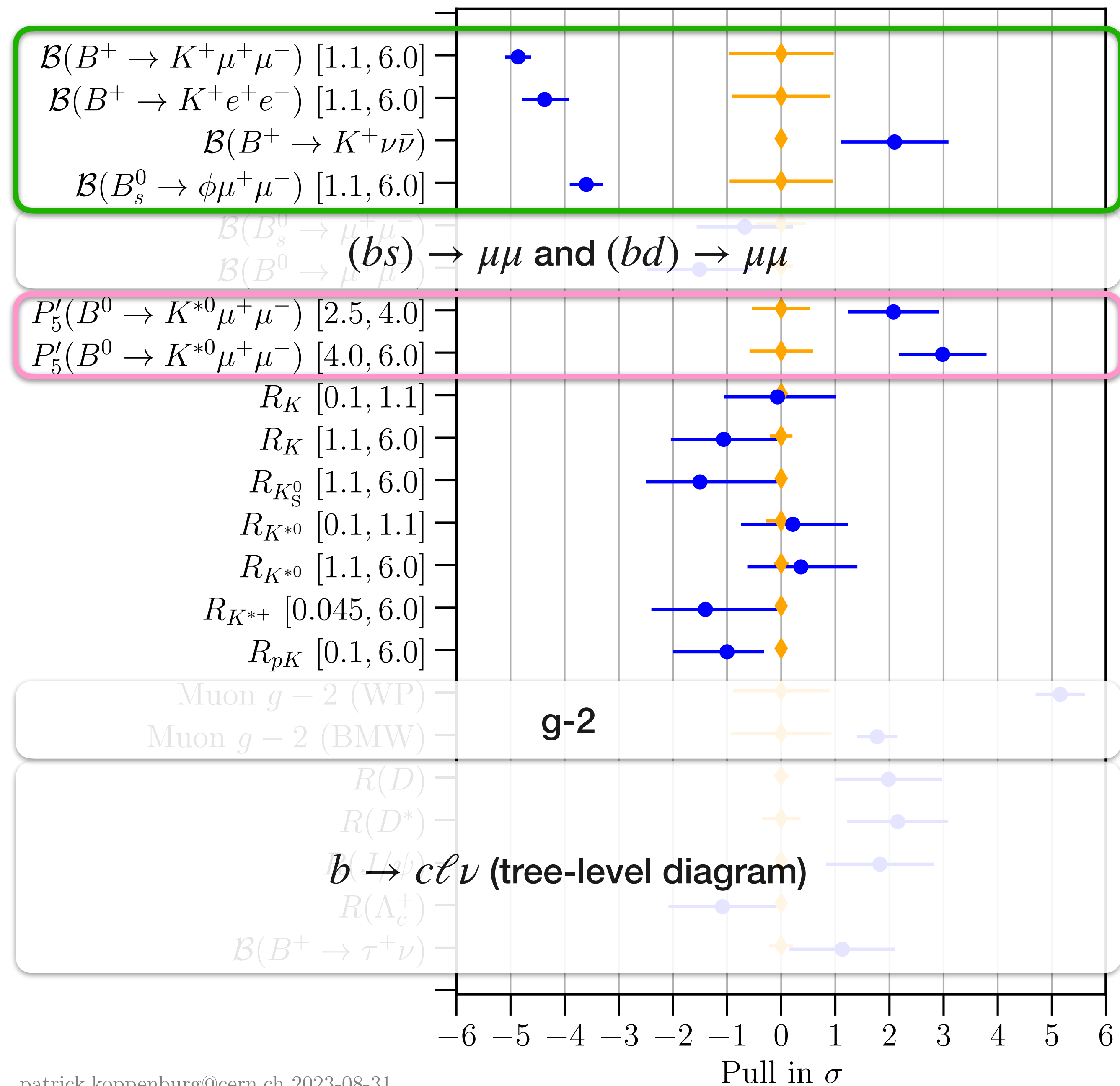
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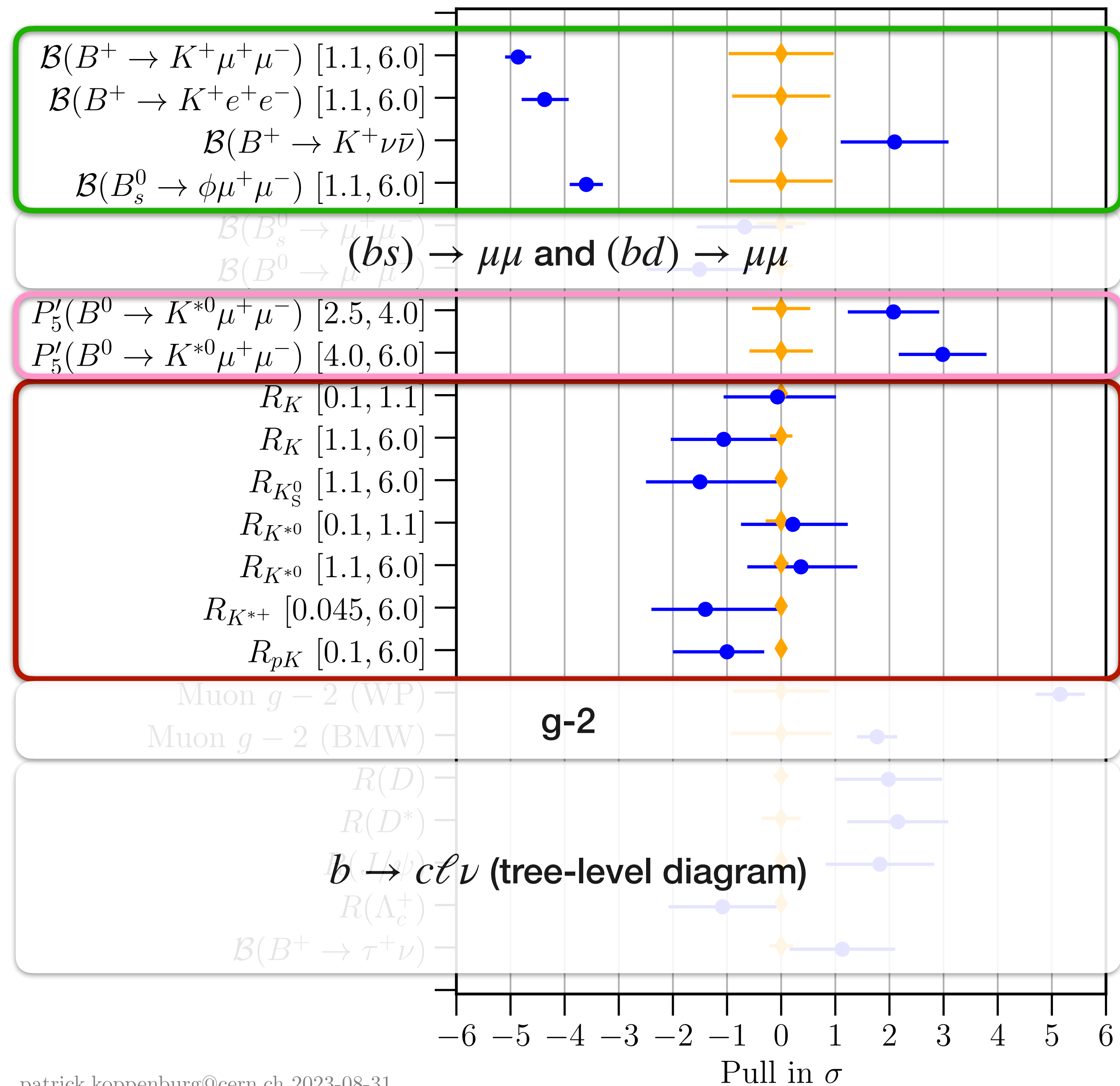
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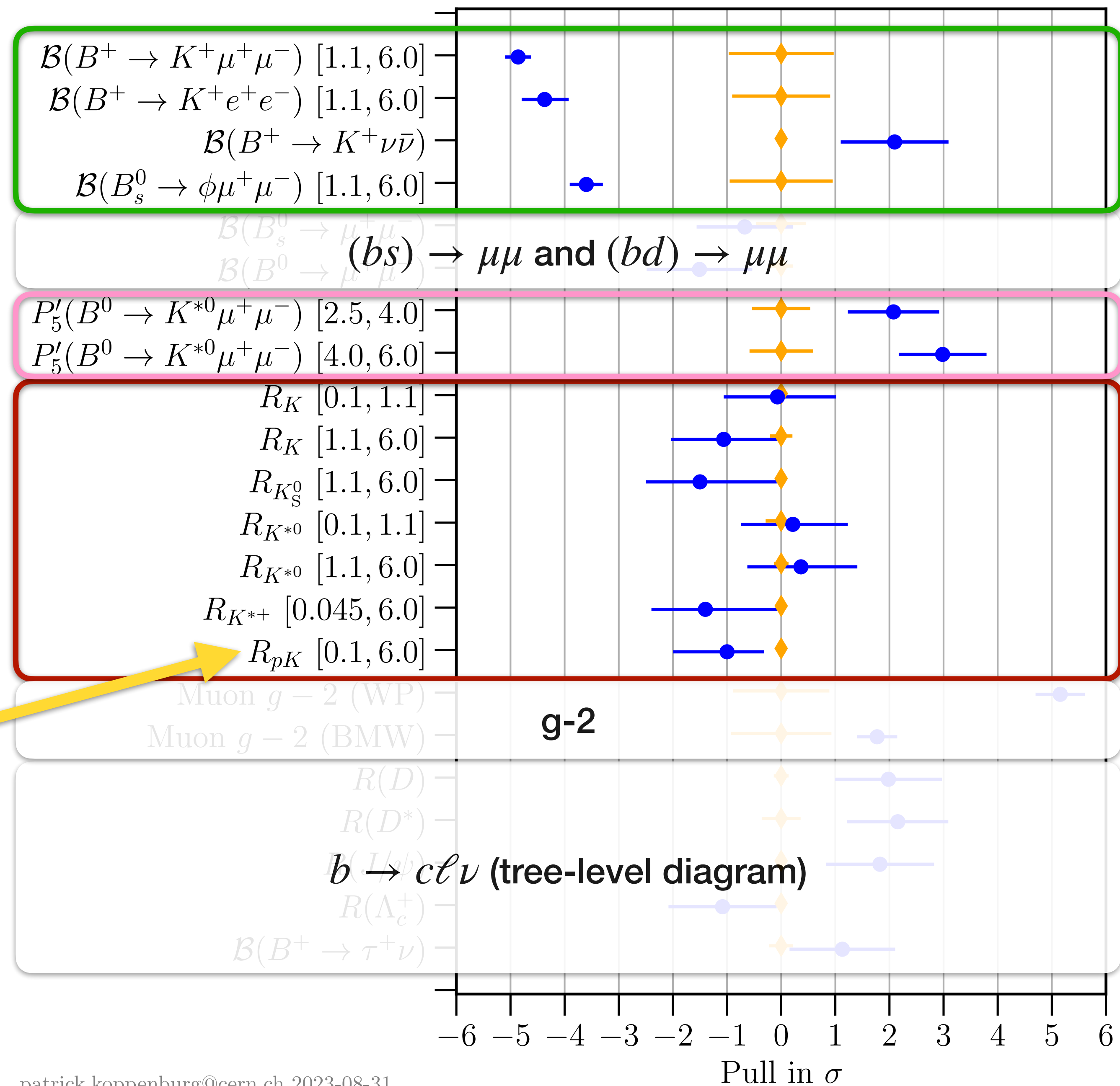
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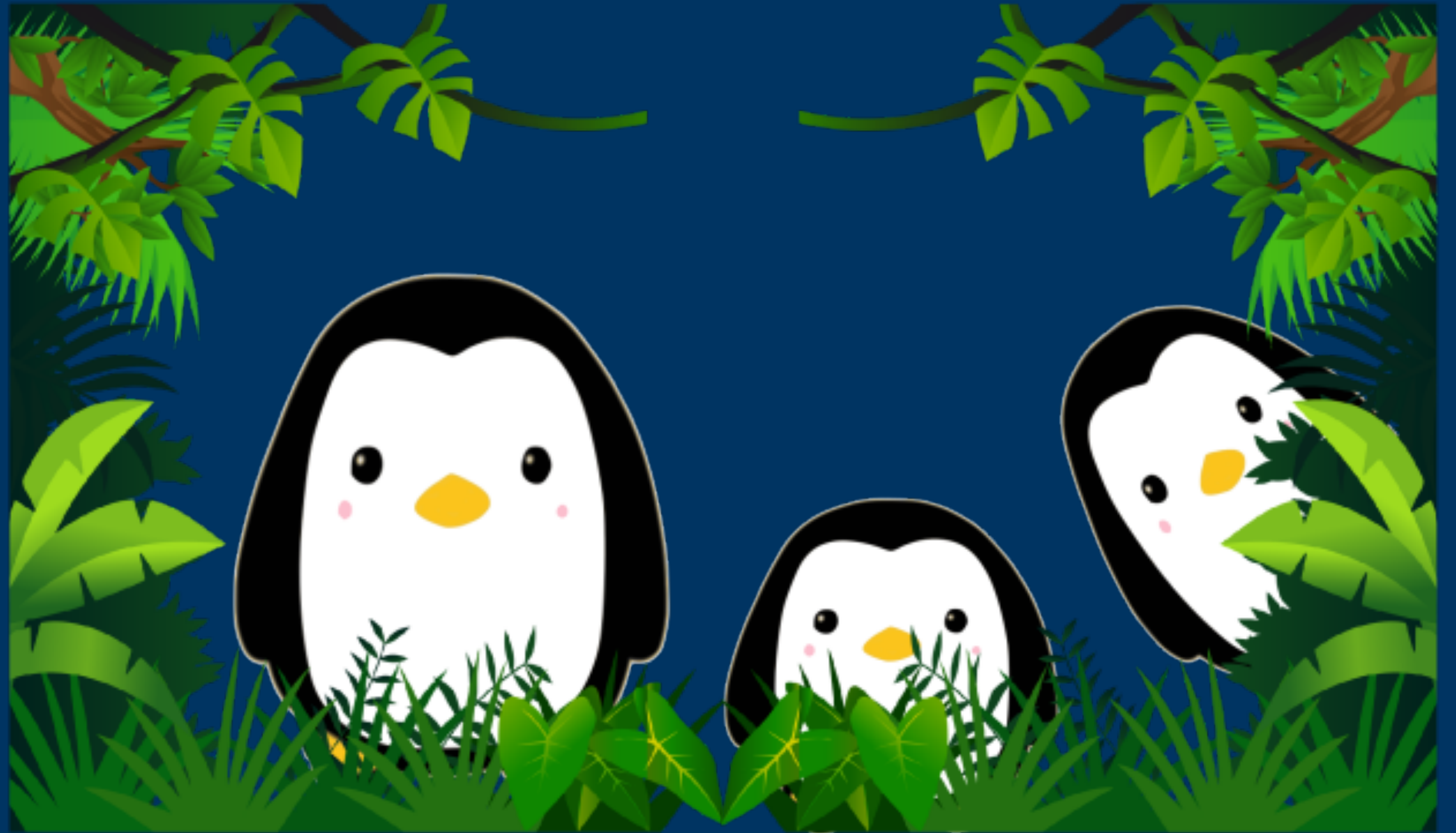
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One baryon measurement
+ prediction!

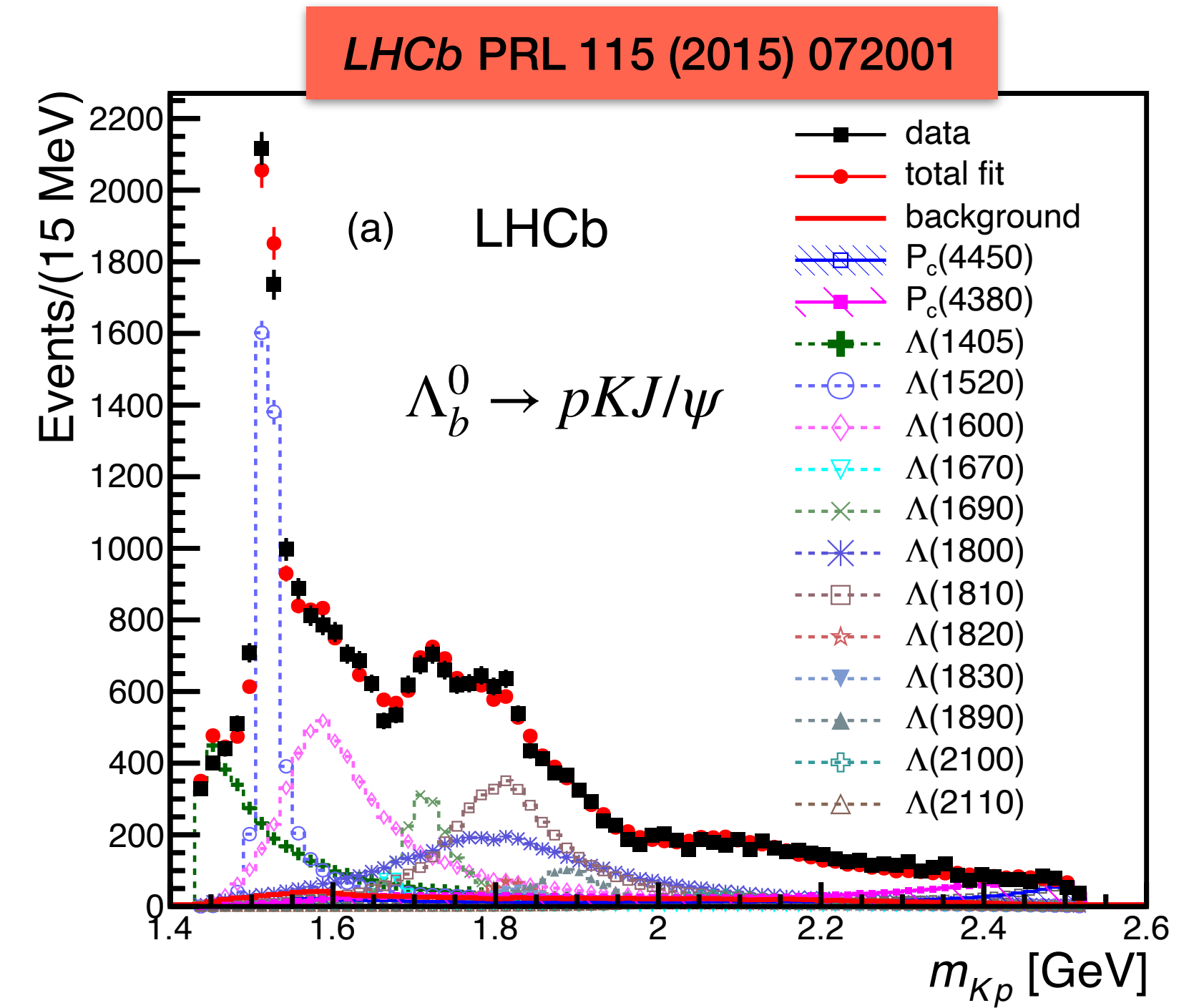
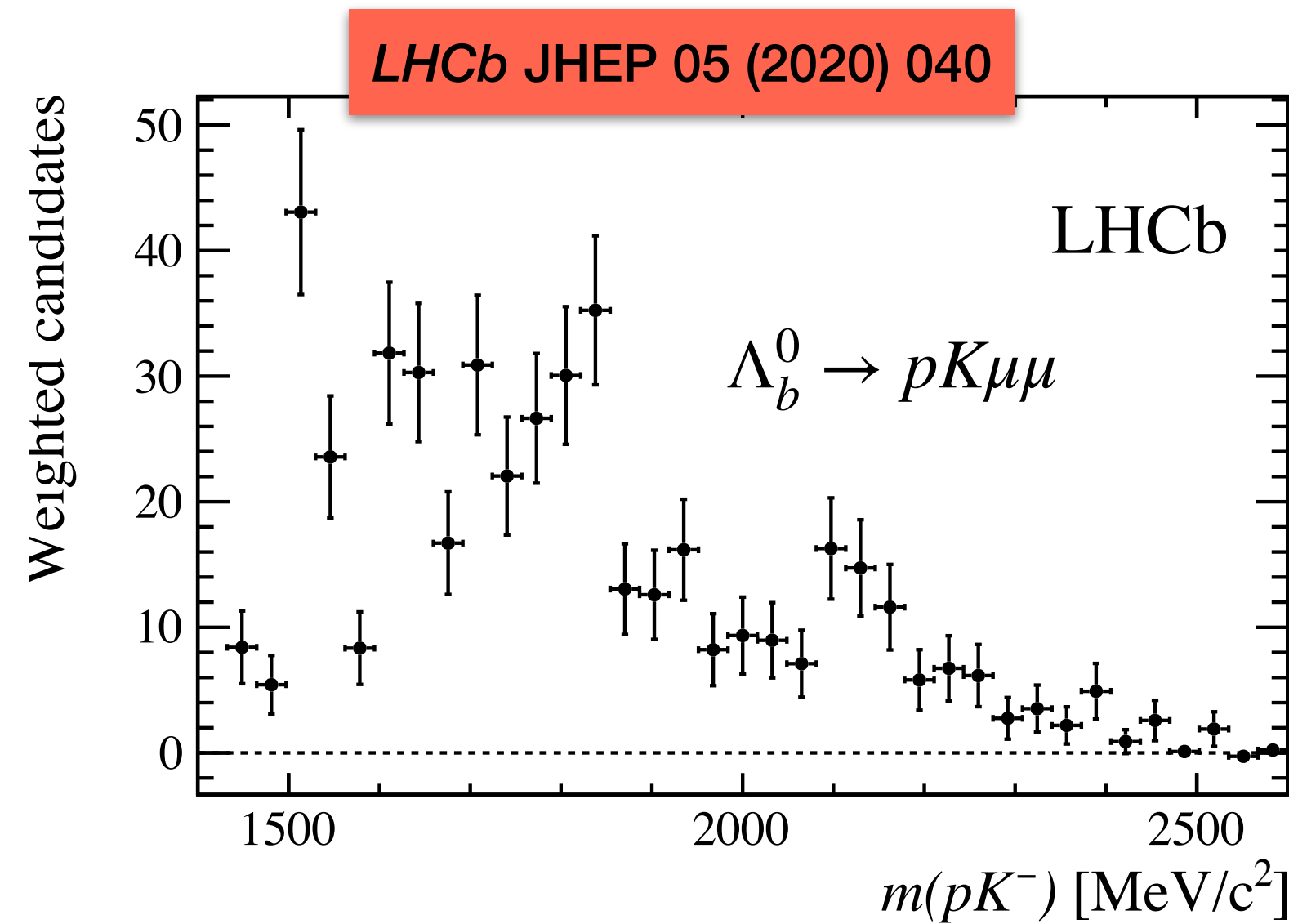
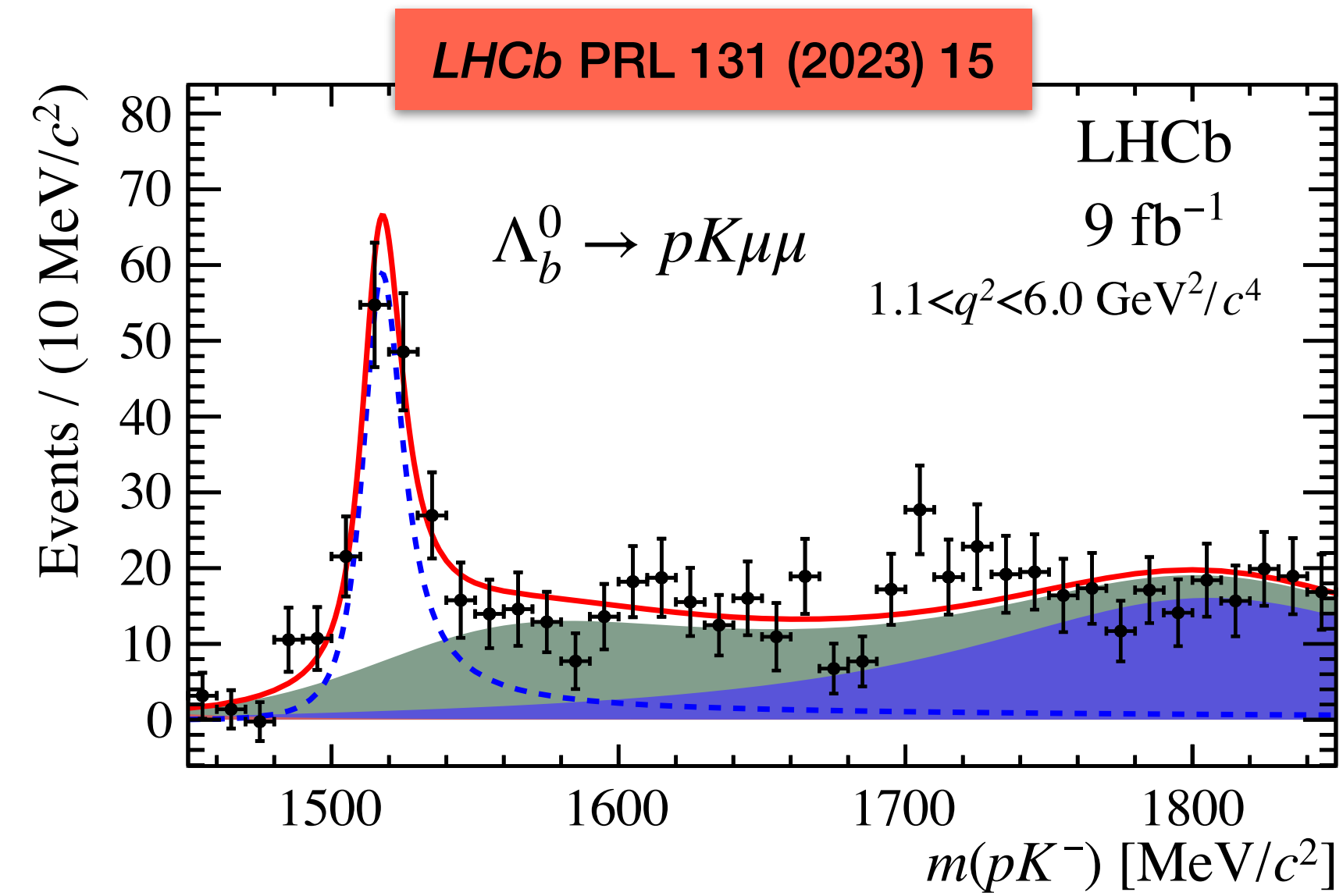


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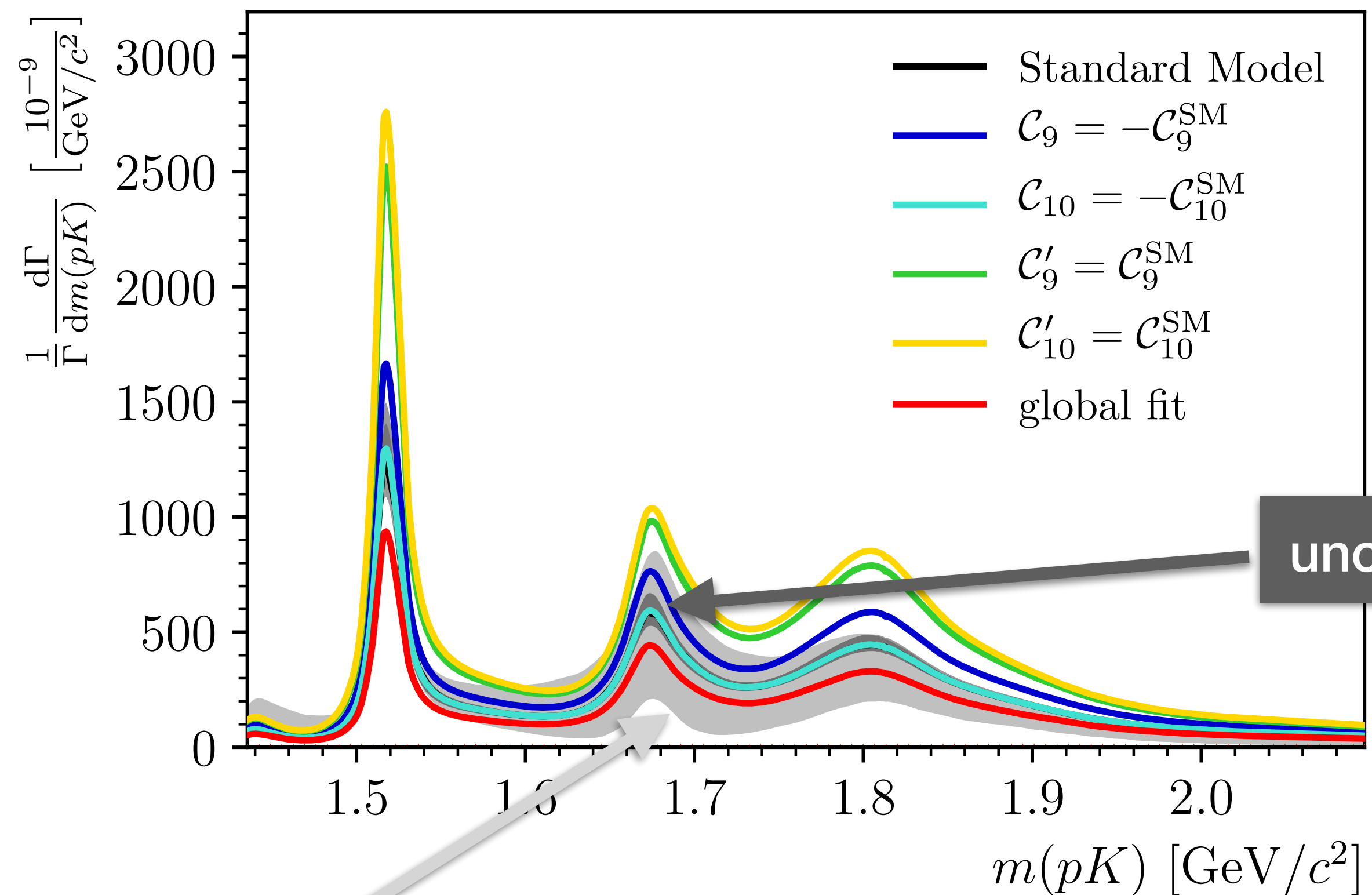


Problem A: hadron QCD is complicated + QCD resonances not fully understood

Problem B: unknown phases between the resonances => unpredictable interference

Predictions for $\text{BF}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK\mu\mu)$

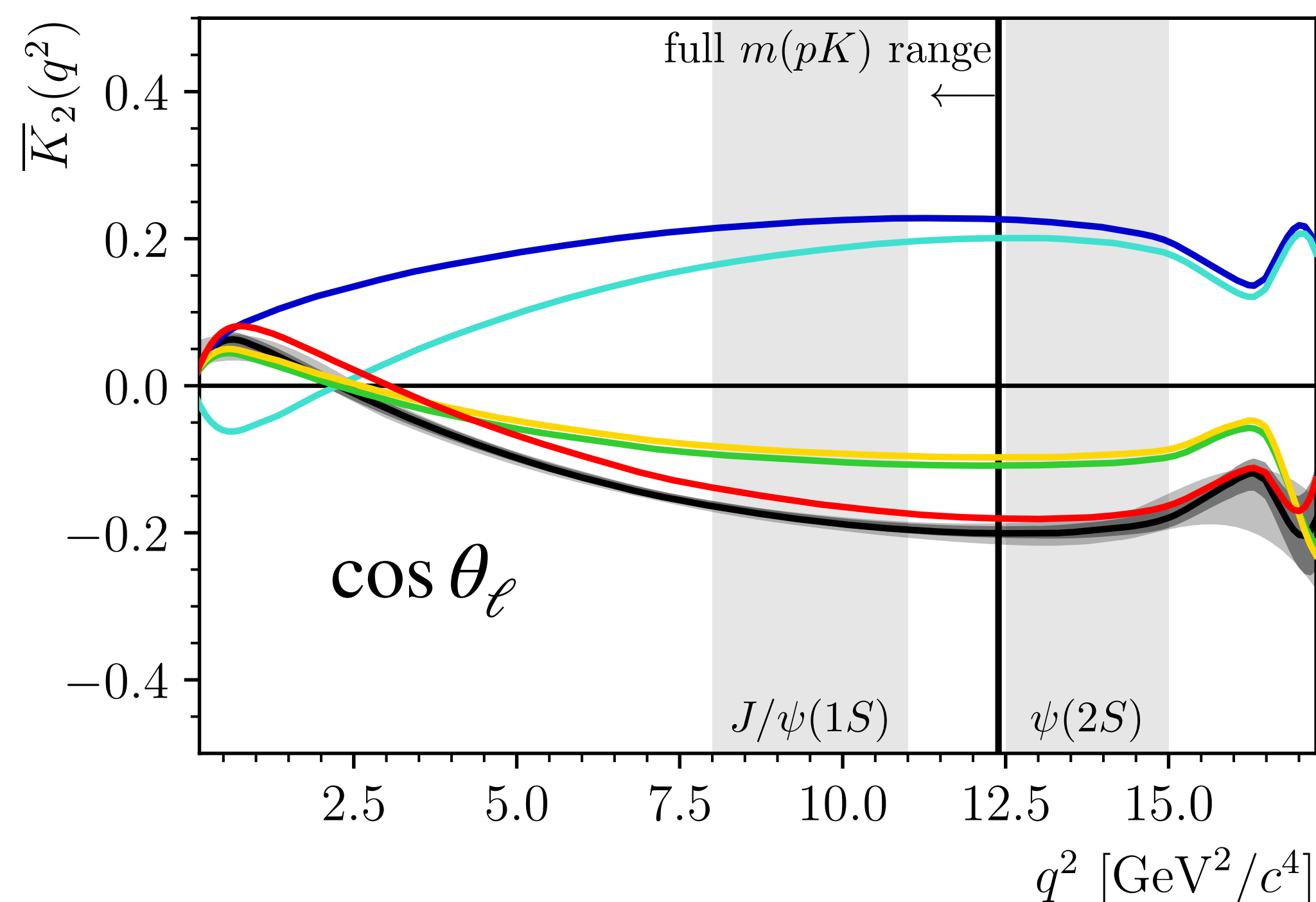
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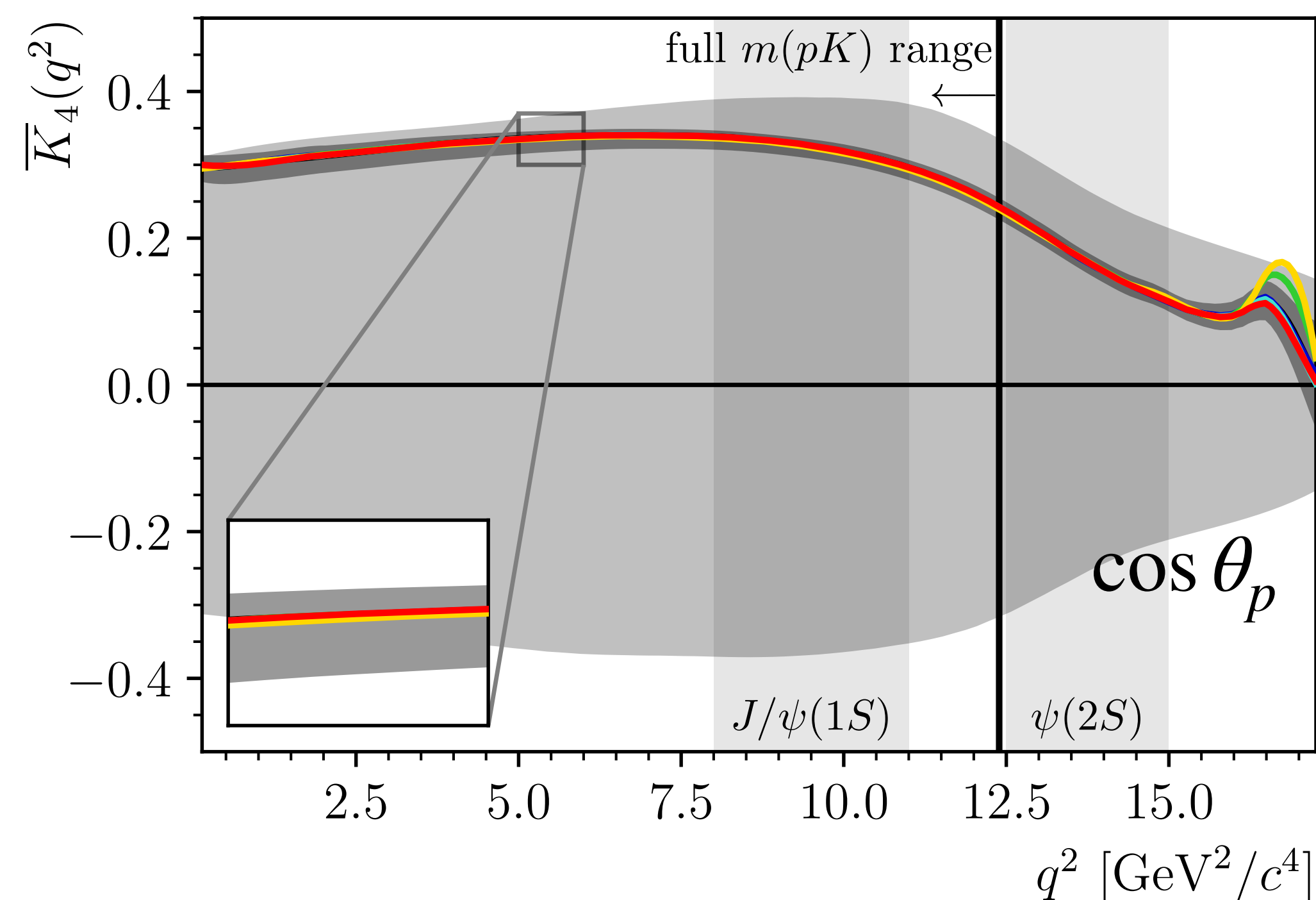
uncertainty on SM due to hadron QCD

possible spread of SM values due to unknown phase differences

Predictions for angular observables in $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p K \mu \mu$



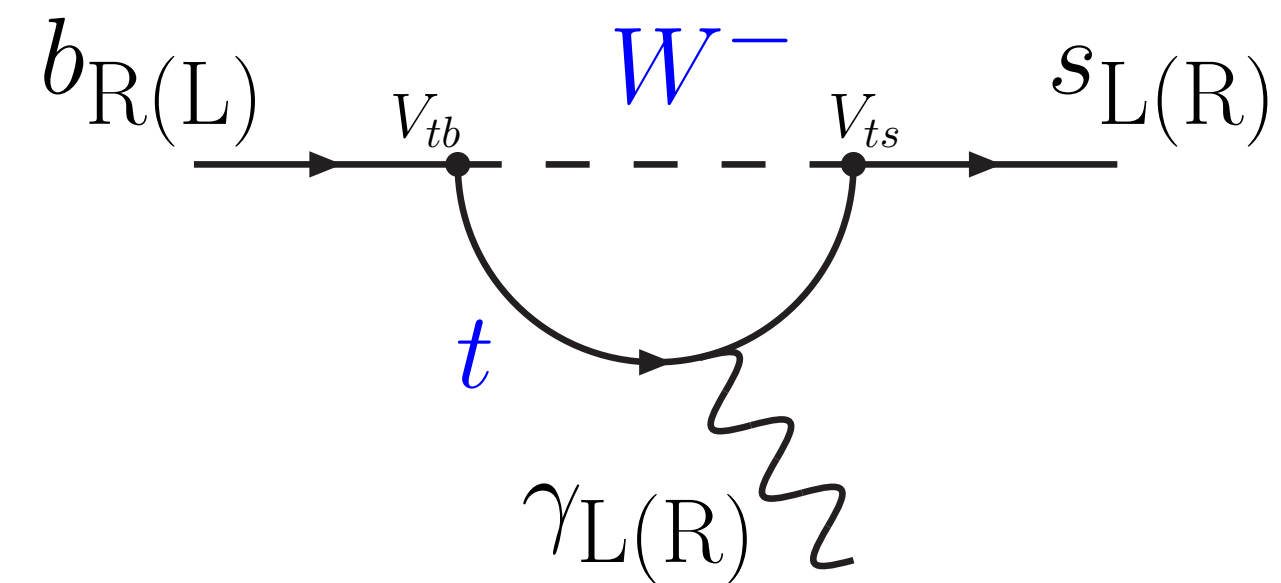
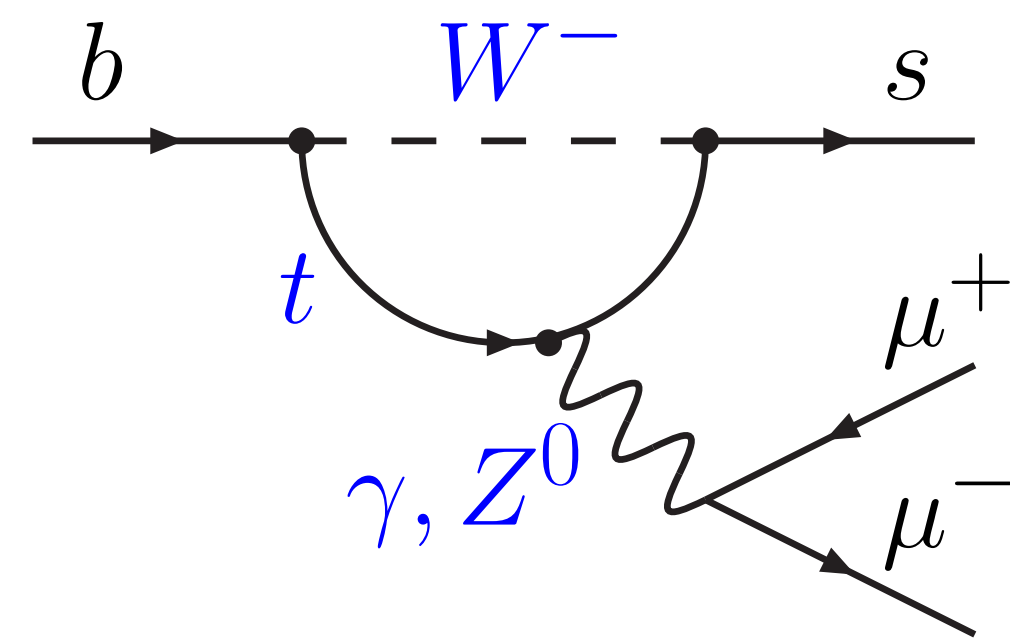
dependence on hadron QCD
and phases mostly cancels



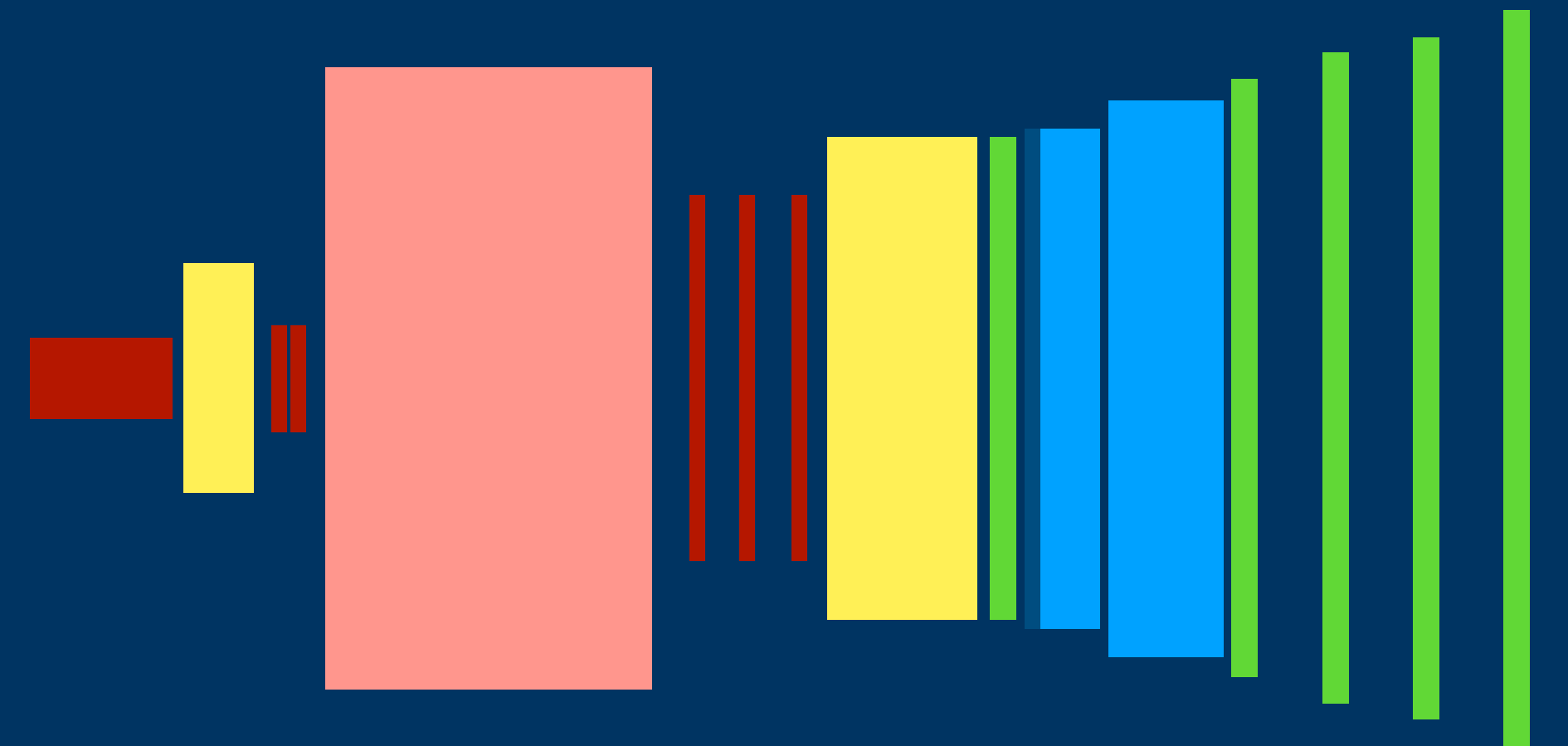
huge dependence on phases,
some dependence on hadron QCD

What can we do?

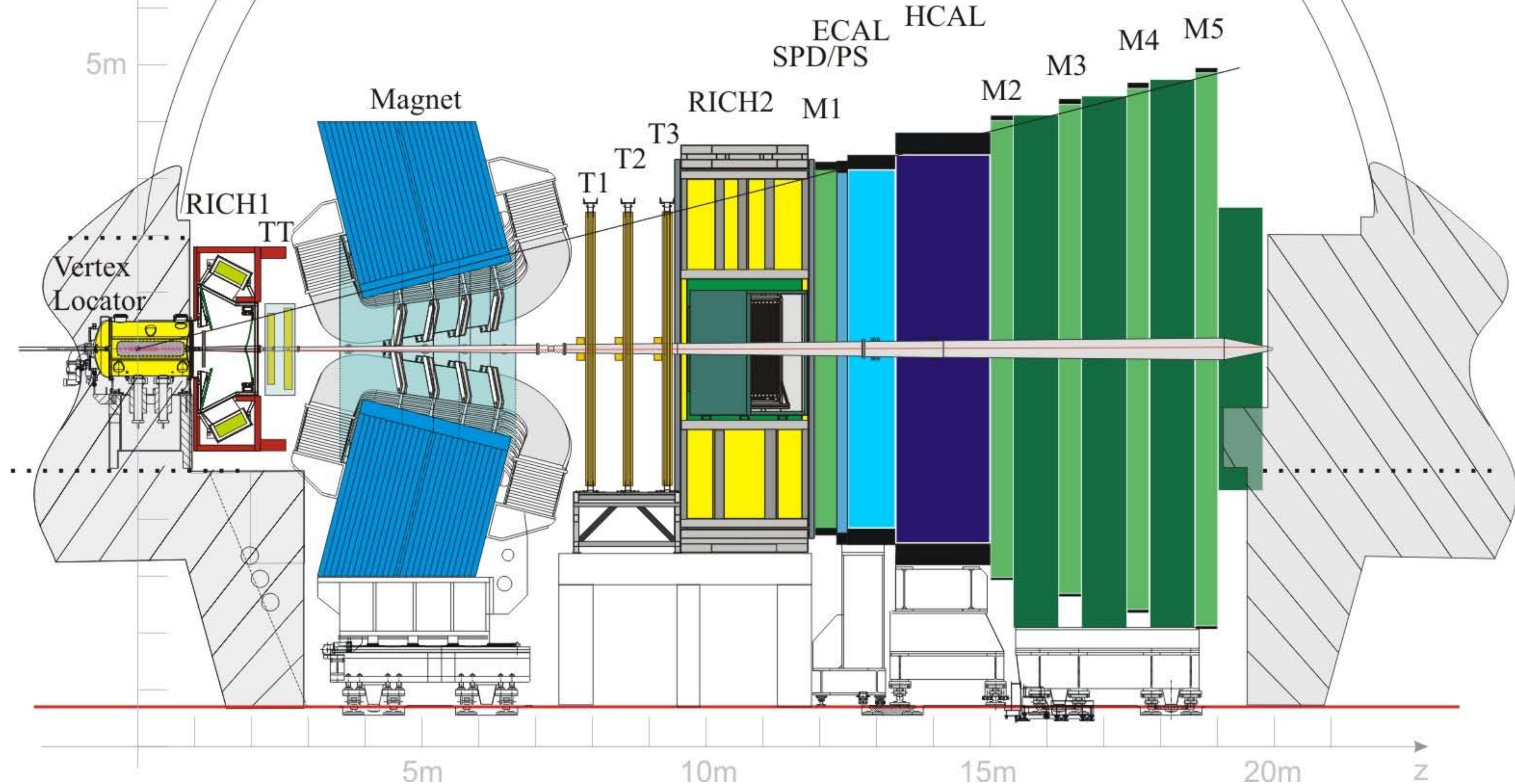
- Focus on single state: $\Lambda(1520)$ (some QCD calculations available) LHCb PRL 131 (2023) 15
- Measure the composition in a high-stats mode: $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK\gamma$ LHCb PAPER-2023-036
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The measurements



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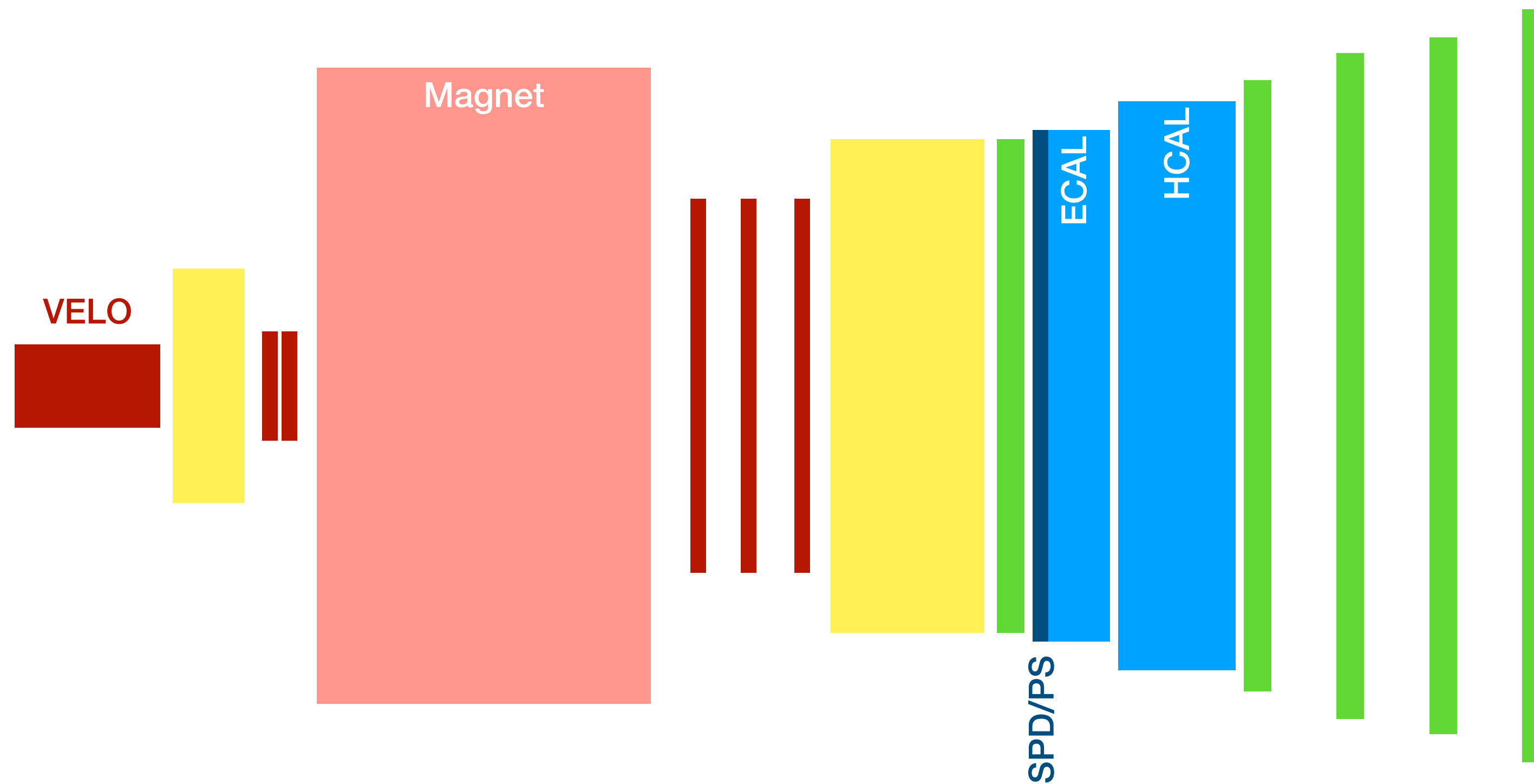
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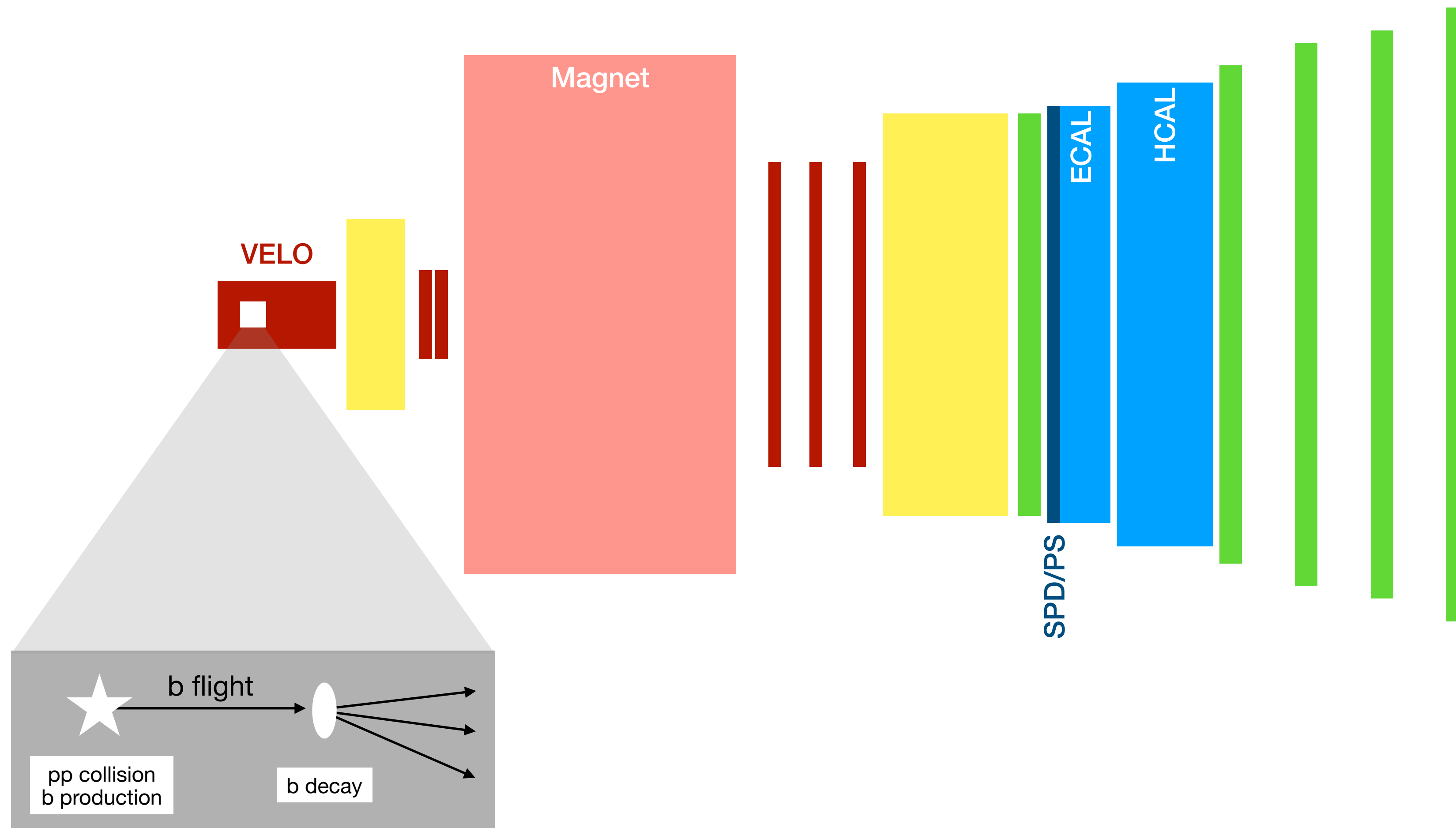
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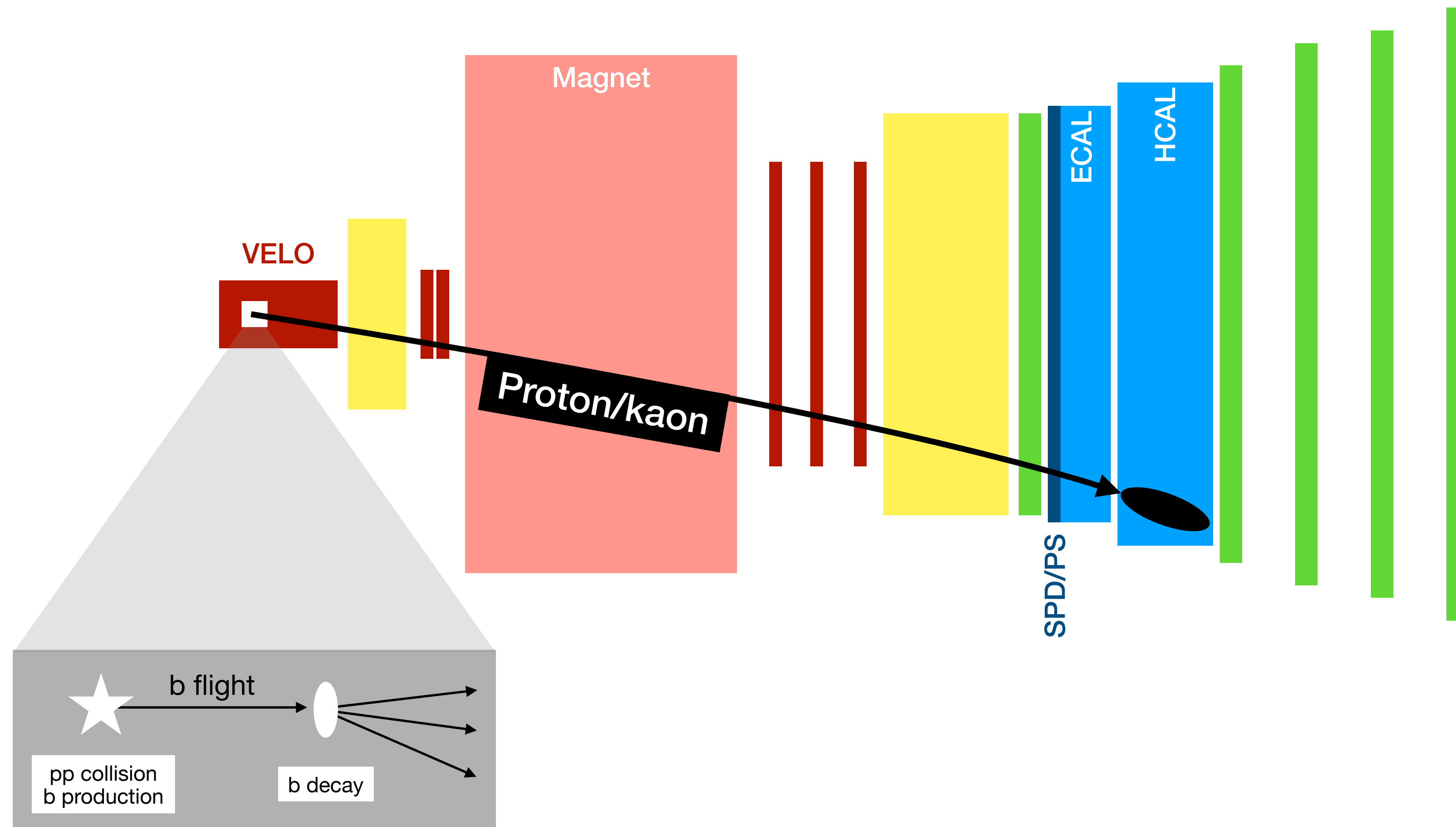
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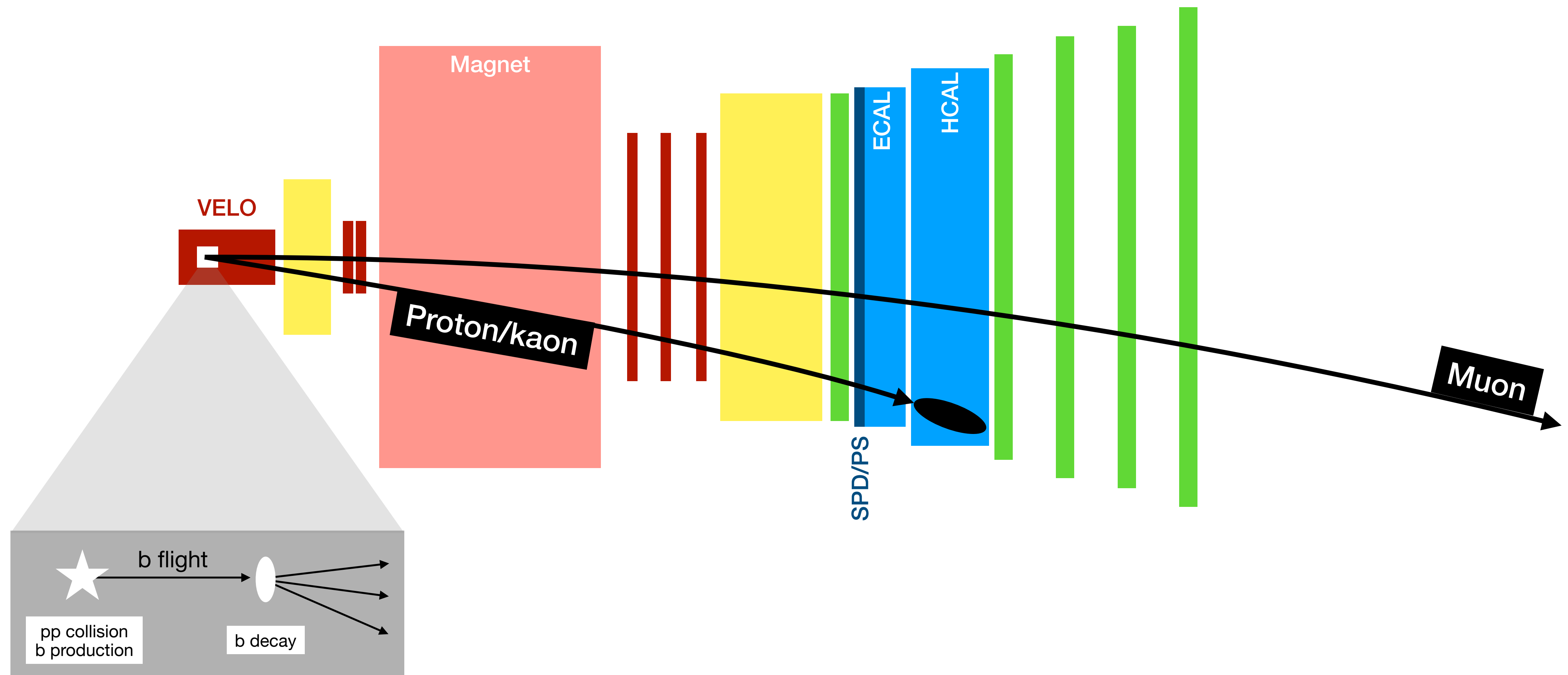
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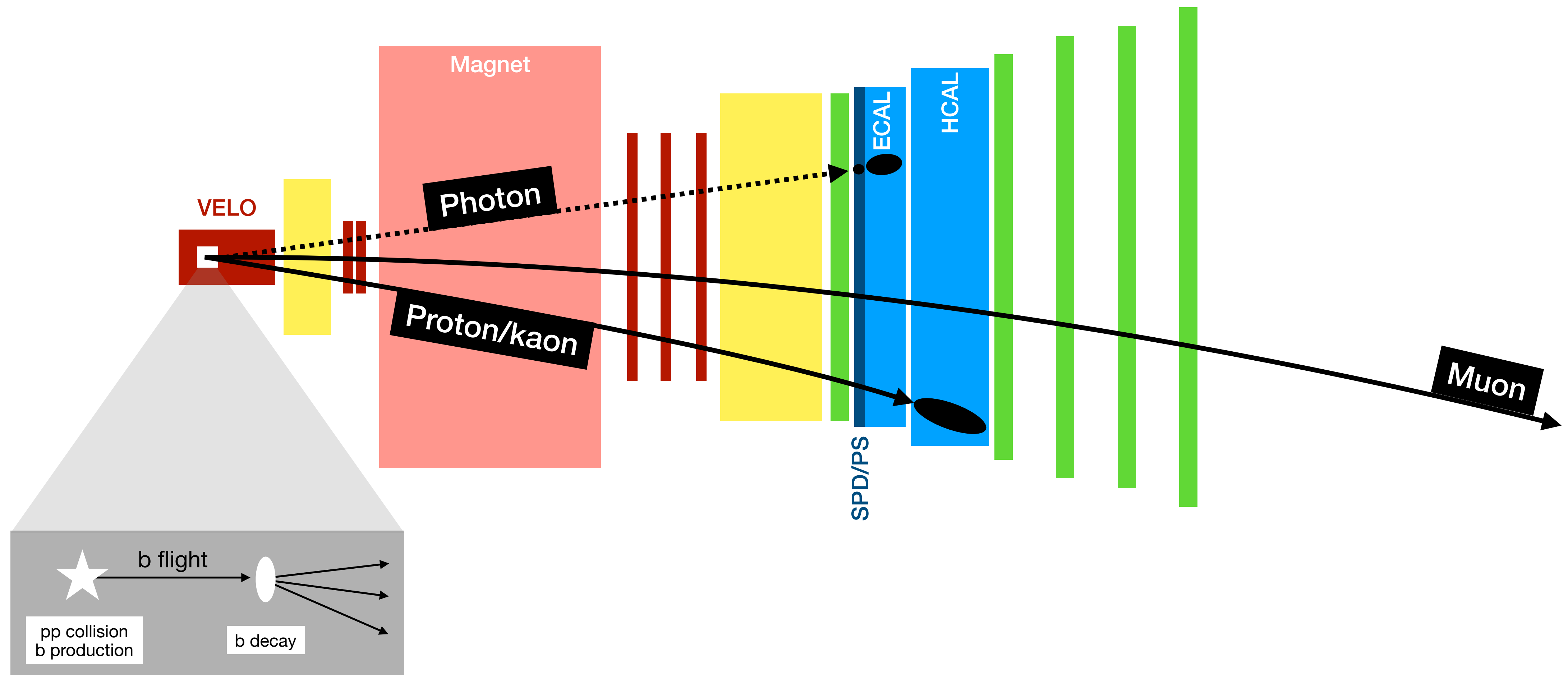
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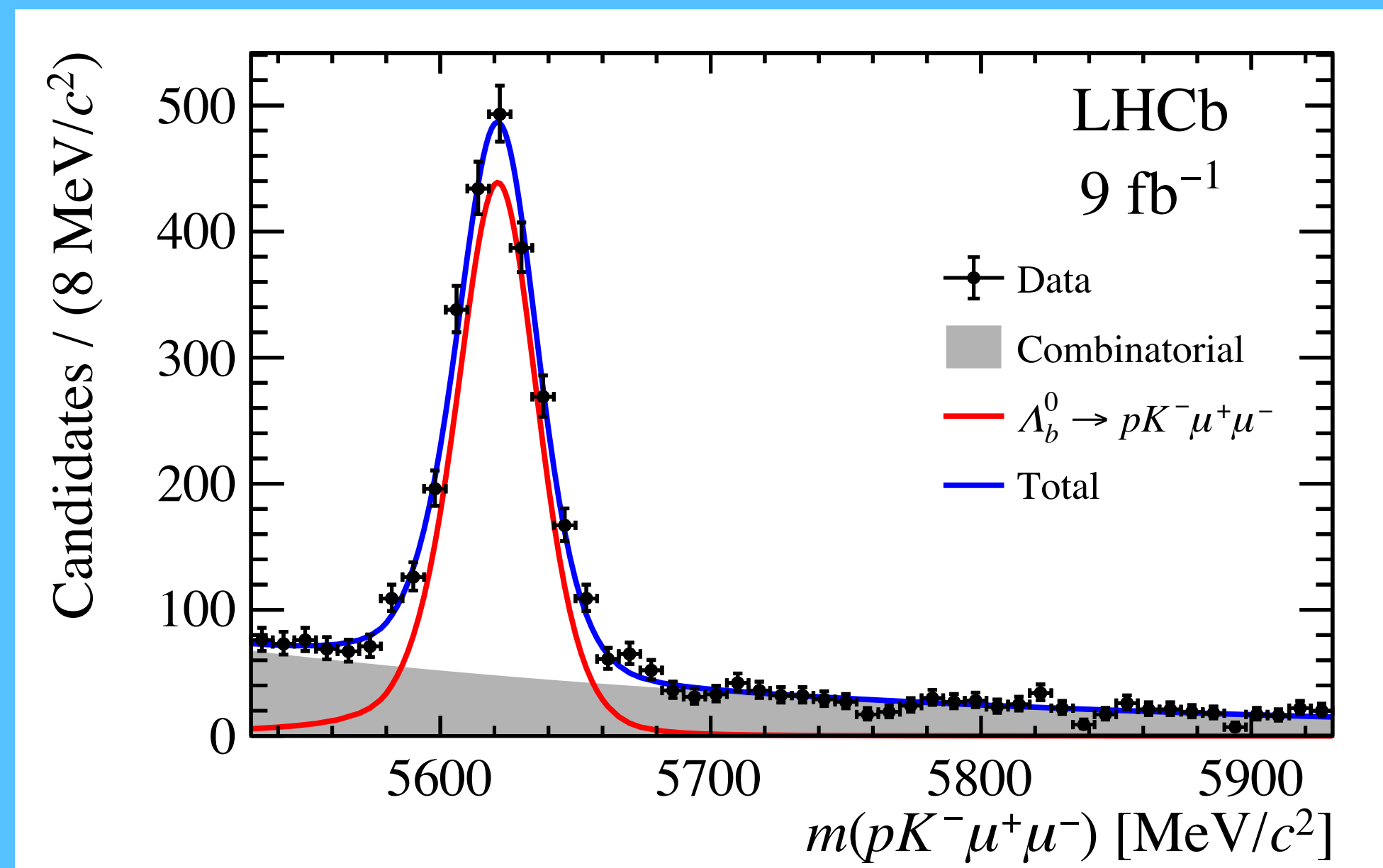


Measurement 1: $\Lambda(1520)$

Extract a single state

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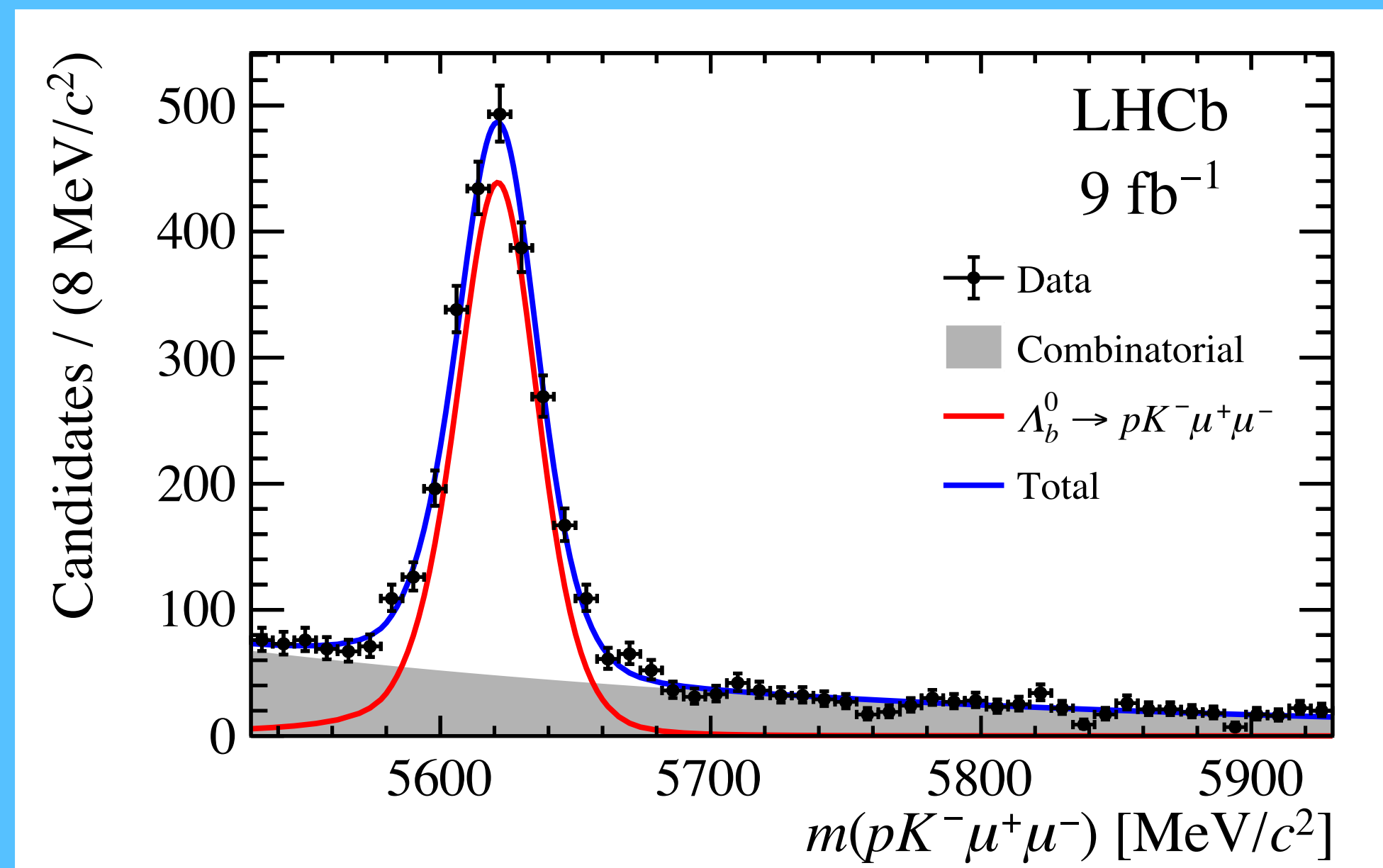
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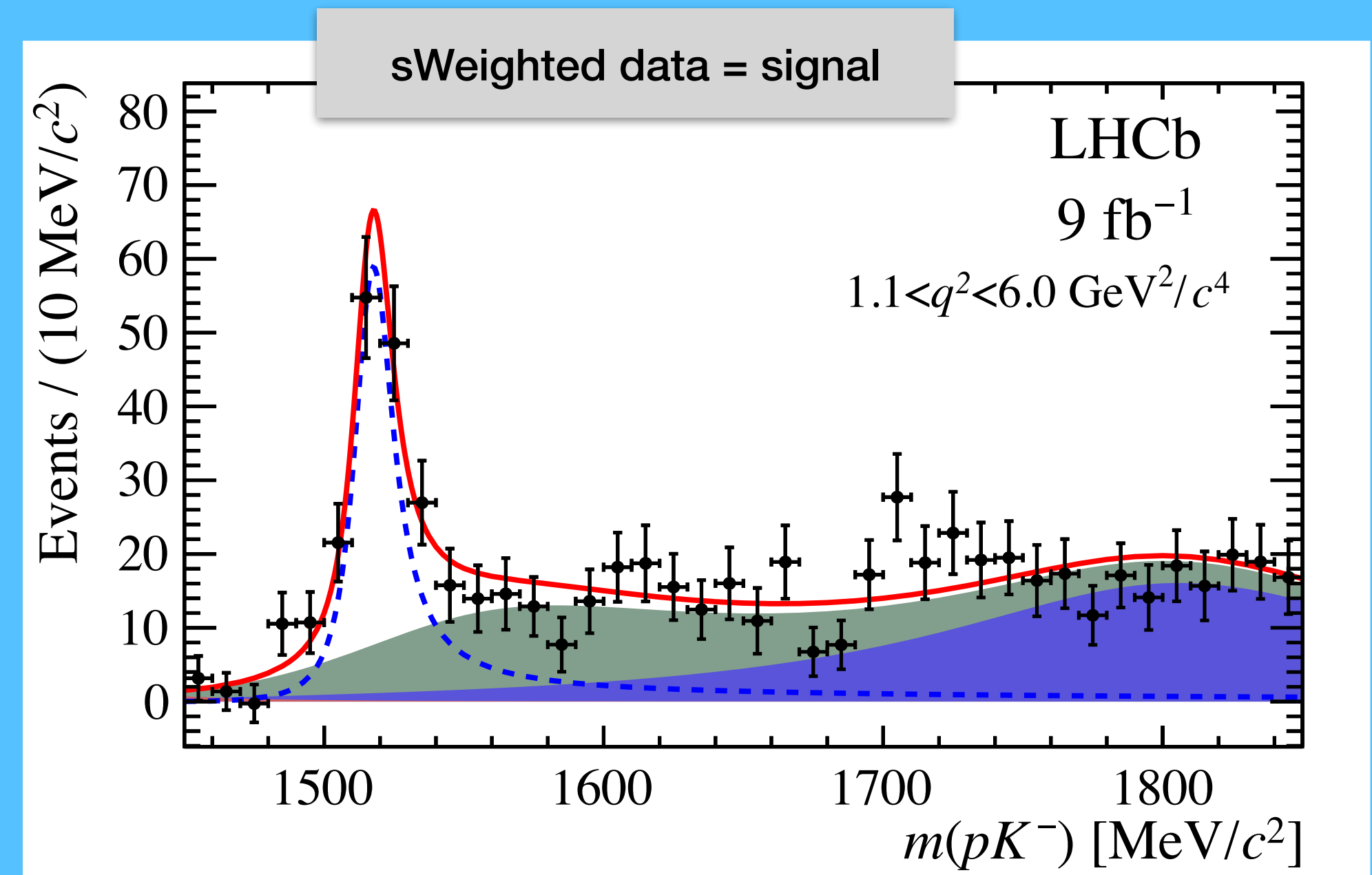
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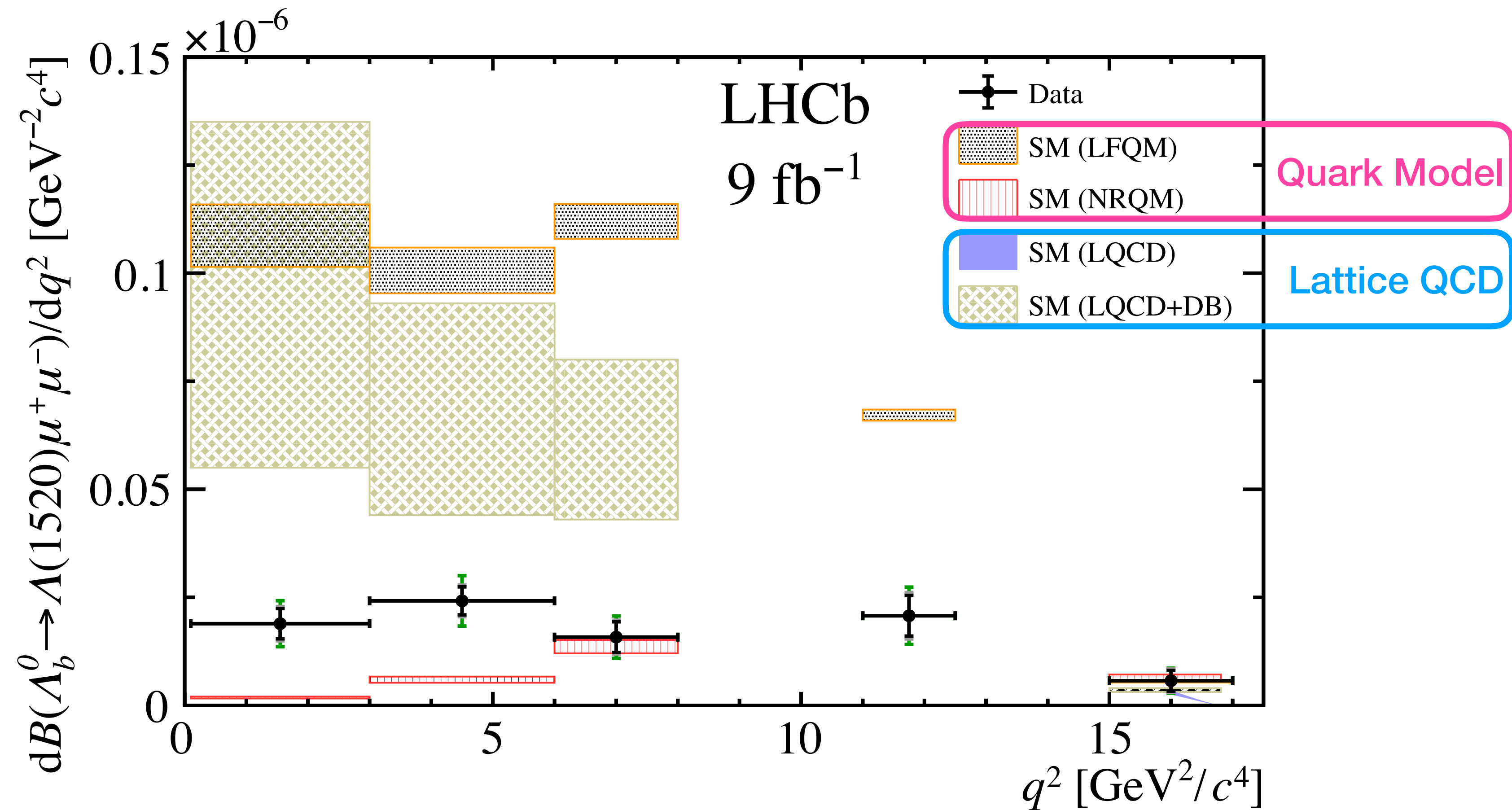


Determine contribution from $\Lambda(1520)$



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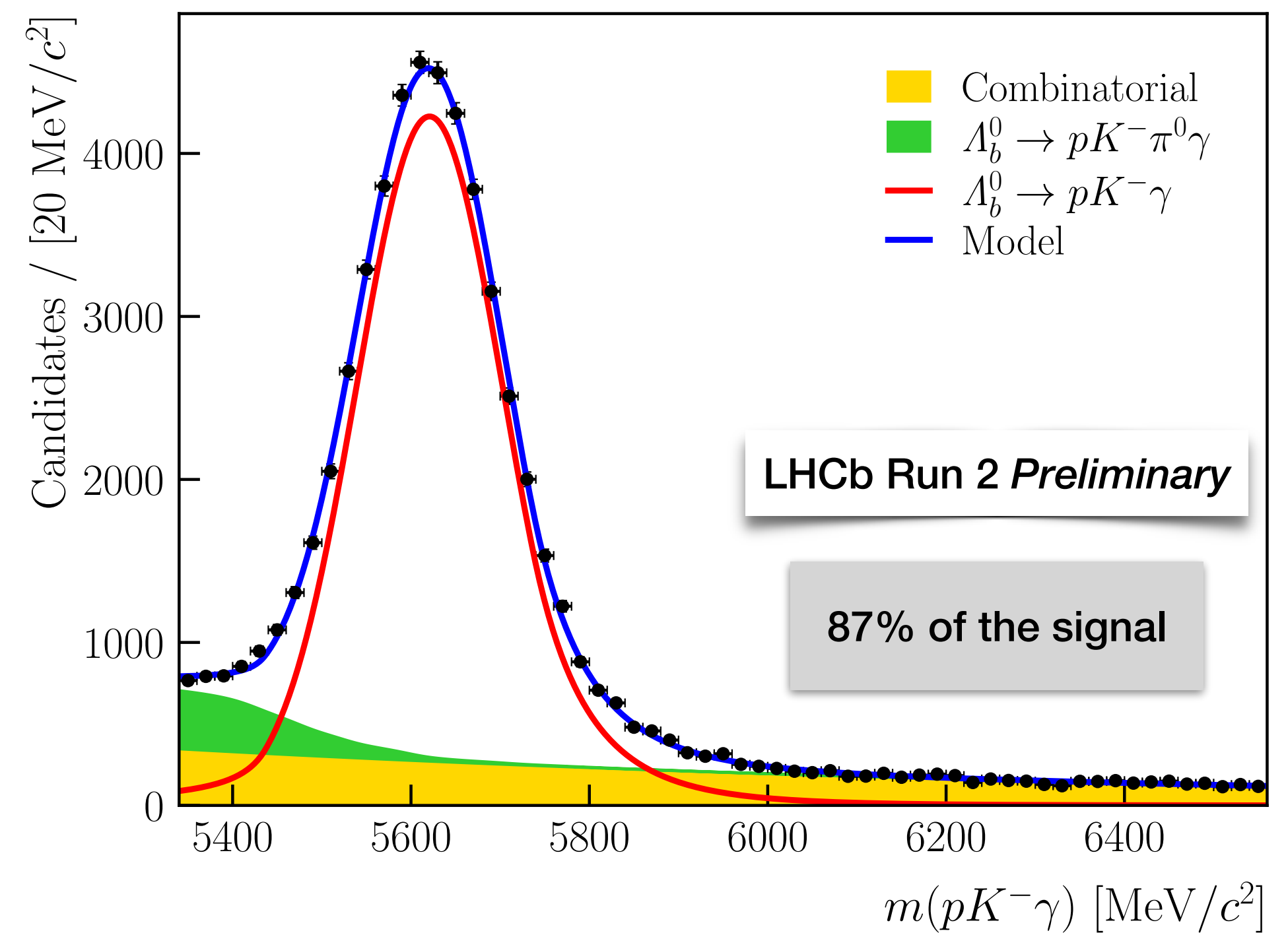
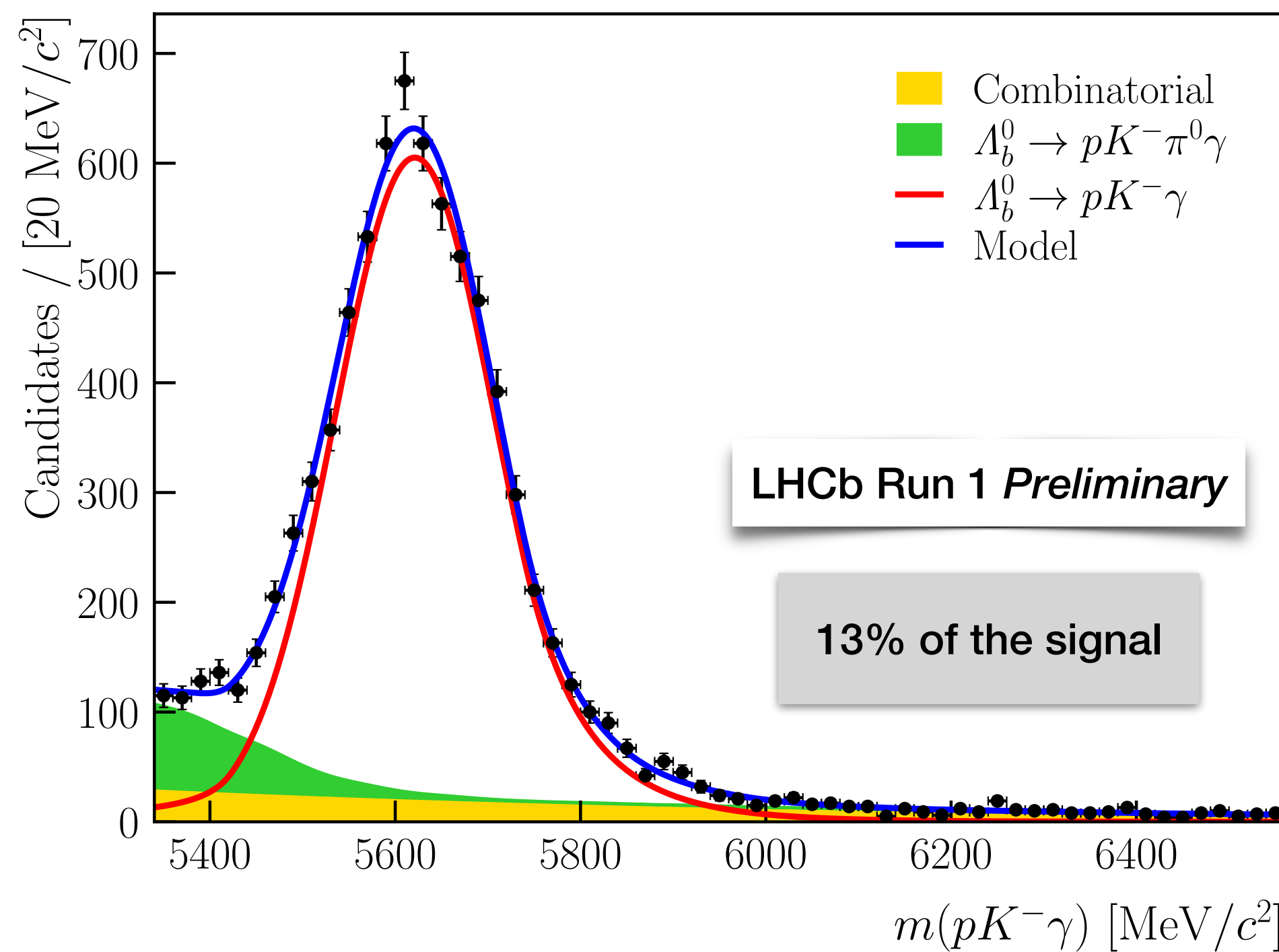
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Measurement 2: $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK\gamma$

Signal selection and extraction

~50k signal candidates

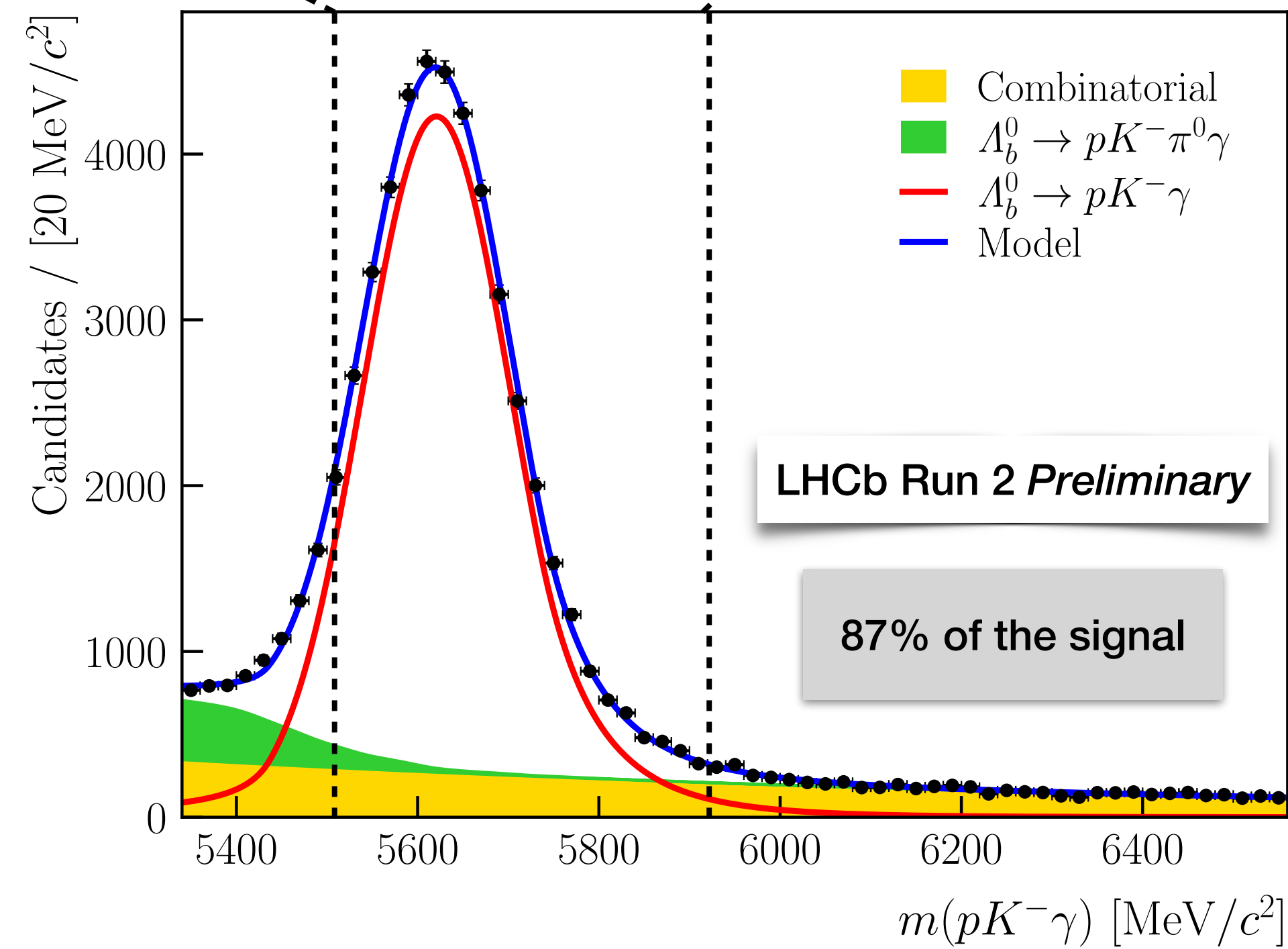
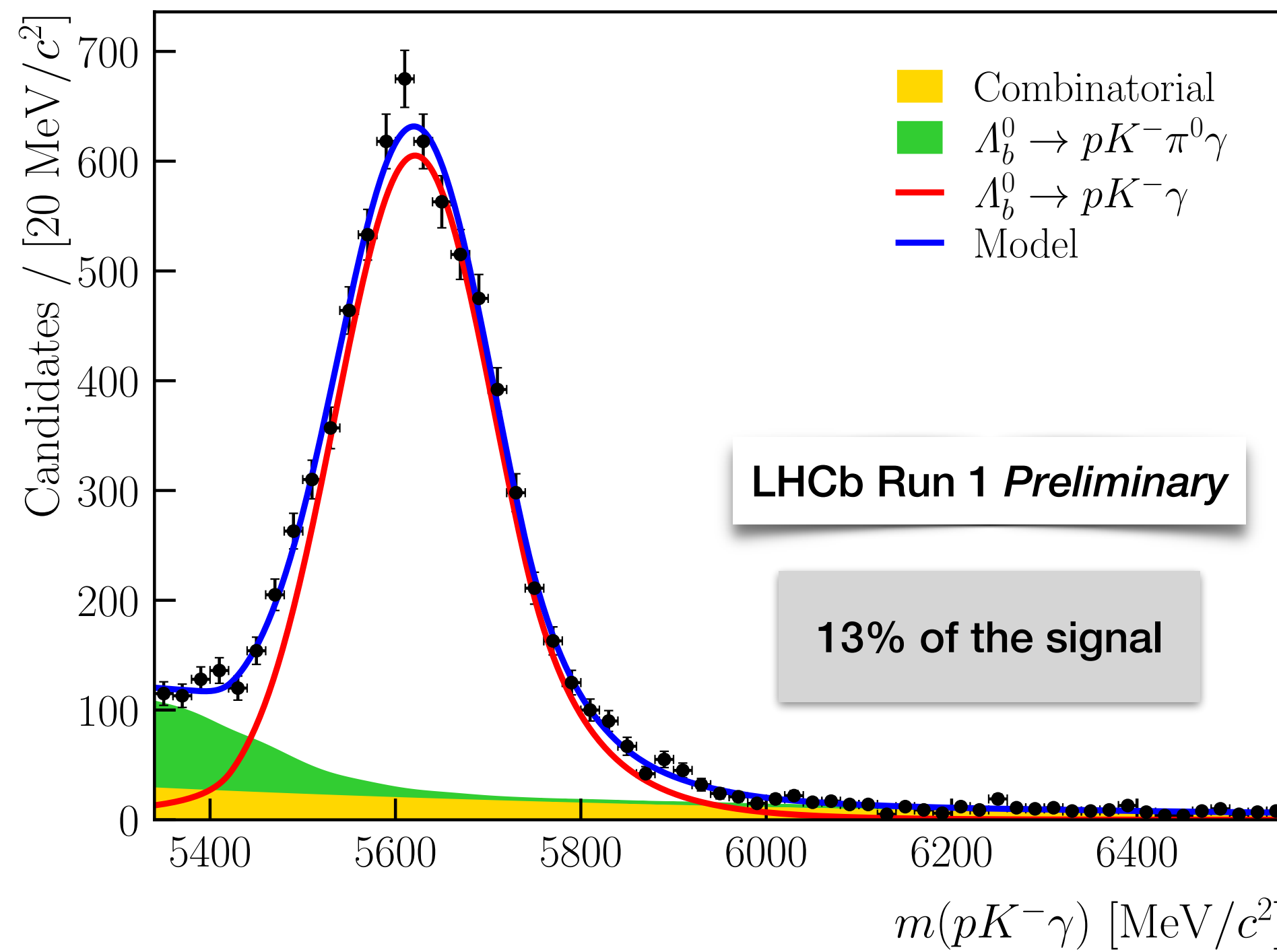
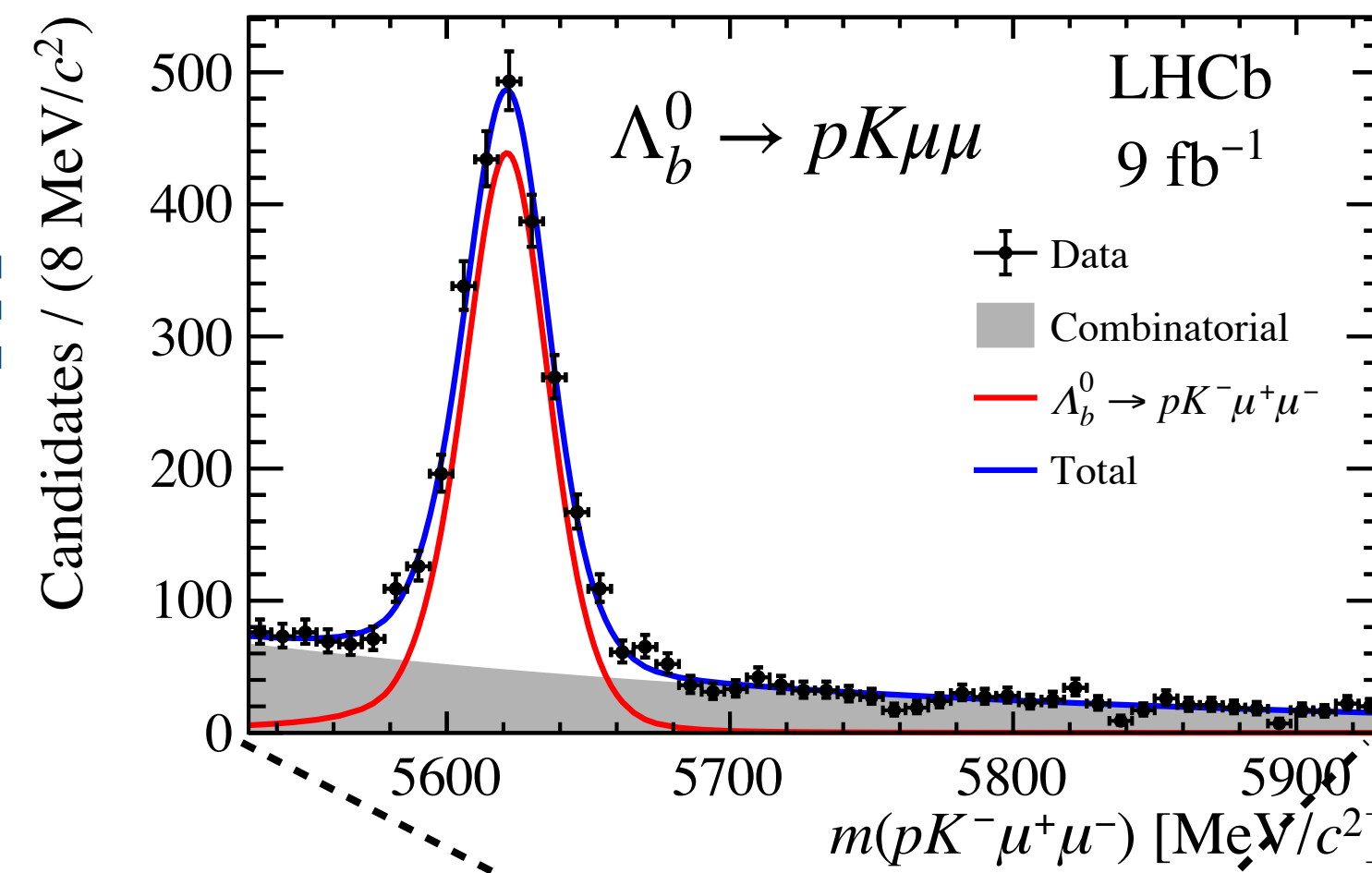


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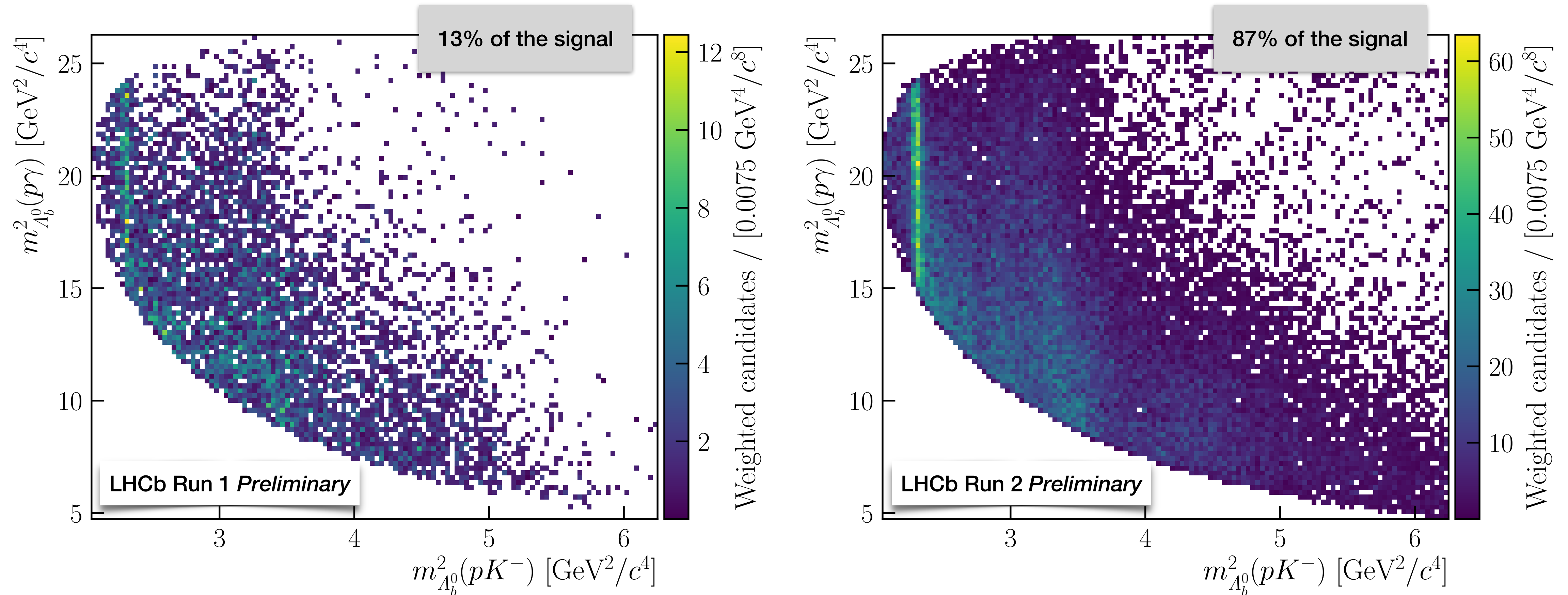
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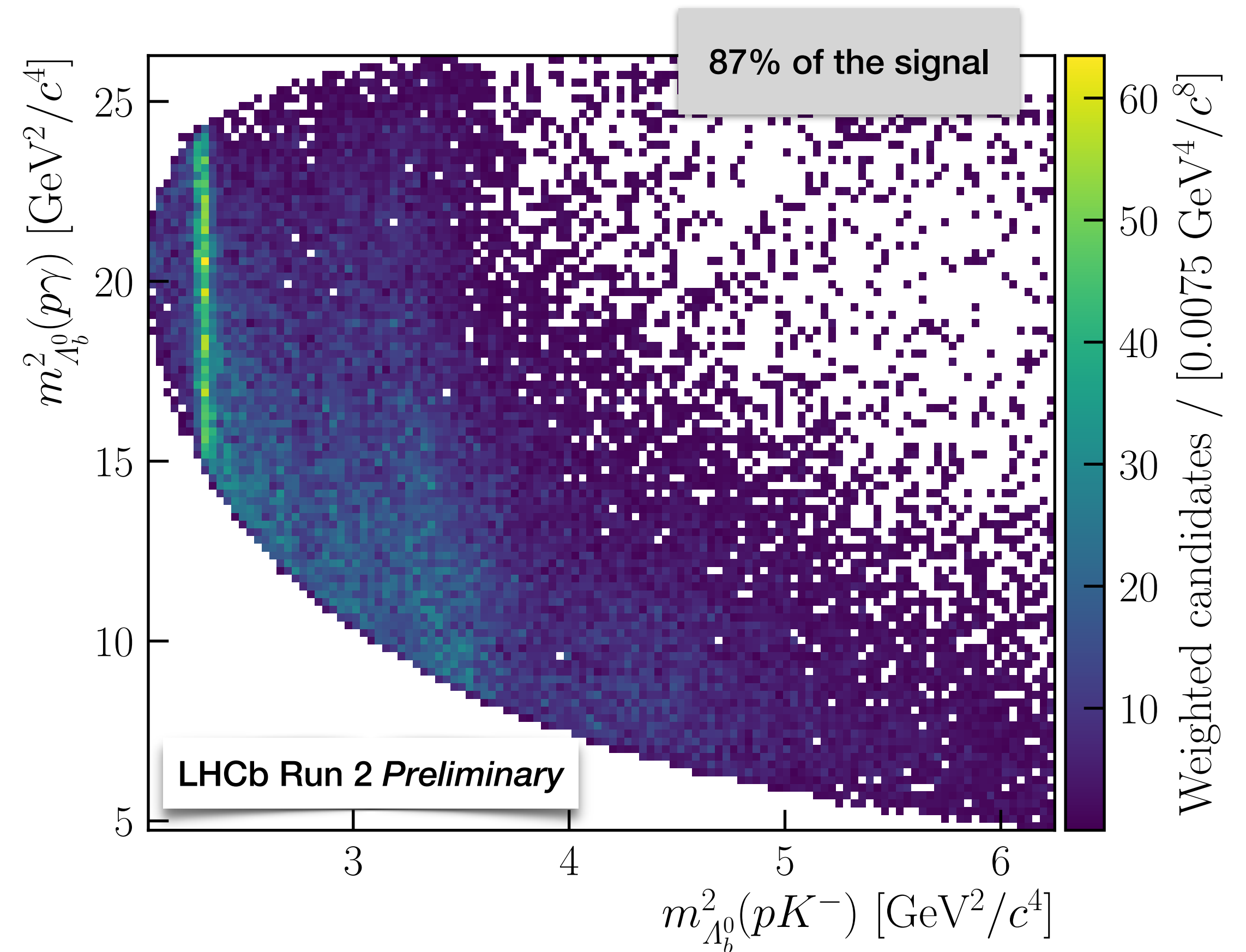
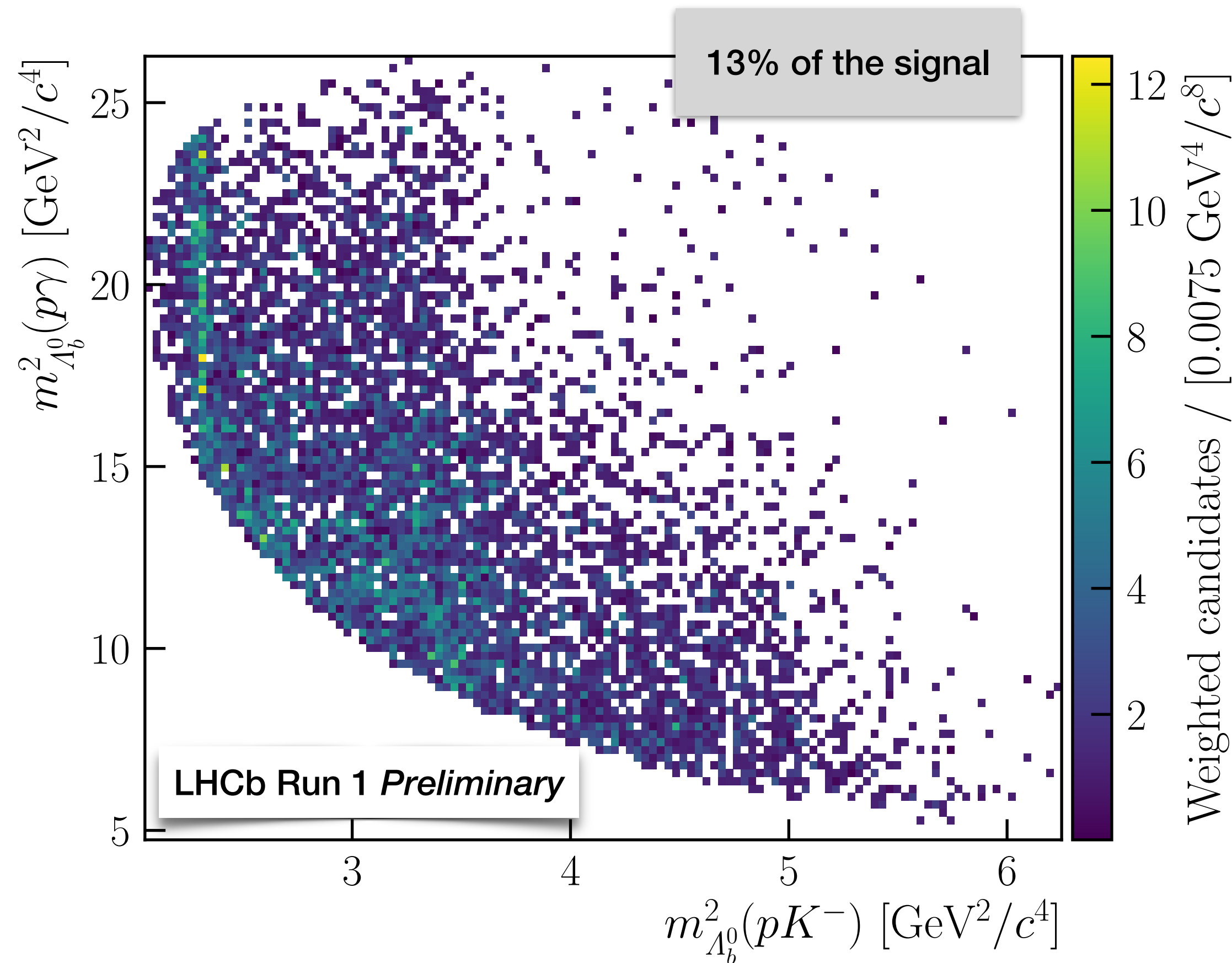


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Improved resolution by fixing $m(pK\gamma)$
to the true Λ_b^0 mass in the vertex fit



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Amplitude model from the helicity formalism

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Amplitude for a given Λ state and fixed helicities $\lambda_\Lambda, \lambda_p, \lambda_\gamma$

$$\mathcal{A}(\Lambda, \lambda_\Lambda, \lambda_p, \lambda_\gamma) \propto \overset{\text{Wigner d matrix}}{d_{\lambda_p \lambda_\Lambda}^{J_\Lambda}(\theta_p)} \times \sum_{L,S} \left[\overset{\text{Clebsch-Gordan}}{C_1^{\Lambda\gamma} C_2^{\Lambda\gamma}} \overset{\text{coupling}}{A_{LS}} \overset{\text{orb. ang. mom. barriers}}{\left(\frac{p}{M_{\Lambda_b^0}}\right)^L \left(\frac{q}{M_\Lambda}\right)^\ell} \overset{\text{Blatt-Weisskopf form factors}}{B_L(p)B_\ell(q)} \overset{\text{BW}(m_{pK}) \text{ lineshape}}{BW(m_{pK})} \right]$$

Full decay rate depending on the Dalitz variables $\mathcal{D} = (\cos \theta_p, m_{pK}) \equiv (m_{pK}^2, m_{p\gamma}^2)$

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d\mathcal{D}} \propto \sum_{\lambda_p, \lambda_\gamma} \left| \sum_{\Lambda} \sum_{\lambda_\Lambda} \mathcal{A}(\Lambda, \lambda_\Lambda, \lambda_p, \lambda_\gamma) \right|^2$$

10+ resonances x 2 or 4 complex couplings per resonance
 = *ouch* amount of unconstrained fit parameters

=> remove parameters by remove couplings with large L

The well-known part of the jungle

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The amplitude fit

Setup

Simultaneous maximum likelihood fit to Run 1/2

Floating couplings, fixed masses/widths

Complicated likelihood with ambiguities and many local minima

Different starting values lead to

- similar NLL
- very different fitted parameters
- similar fit fractions (= relative amount of each resonance)

=> Fit several times with randomized starting values

=> keep the one with the lowest NLL

=> Use the fit fractions as observables NOT the fit parameters (= couplings)

How to find your favourite model

Step 1) find a minimal good model

- a. start from all well-established resonances in the PDG
- b. remove large orb. ang. momenta L until the fit gets worse

Step 2) modify the model

- a. add new states
- b. modify the resonance models

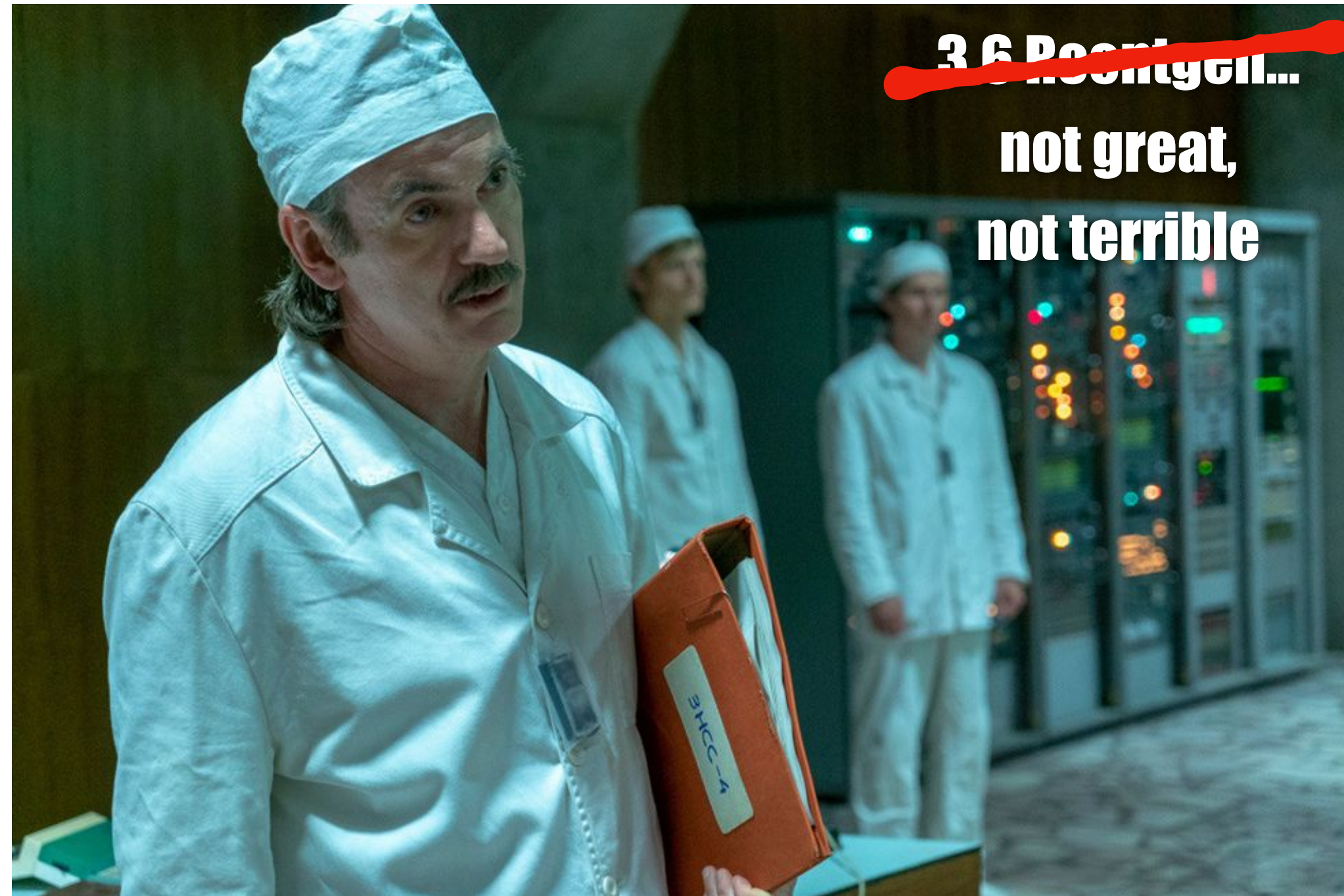
The fit quality

χ^2 distance between the 2D Dalitz histogram of data and fit result

The smallest model

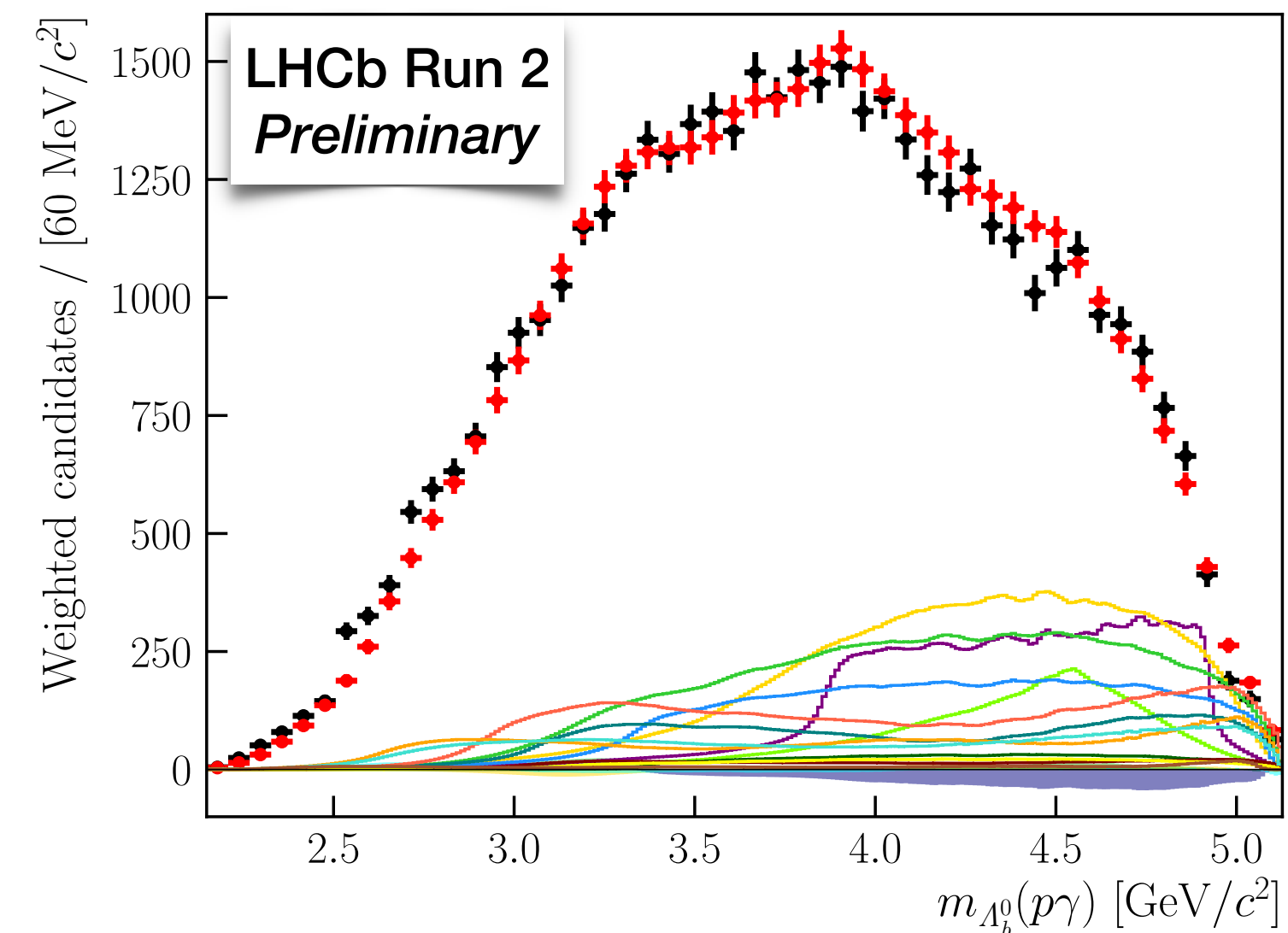
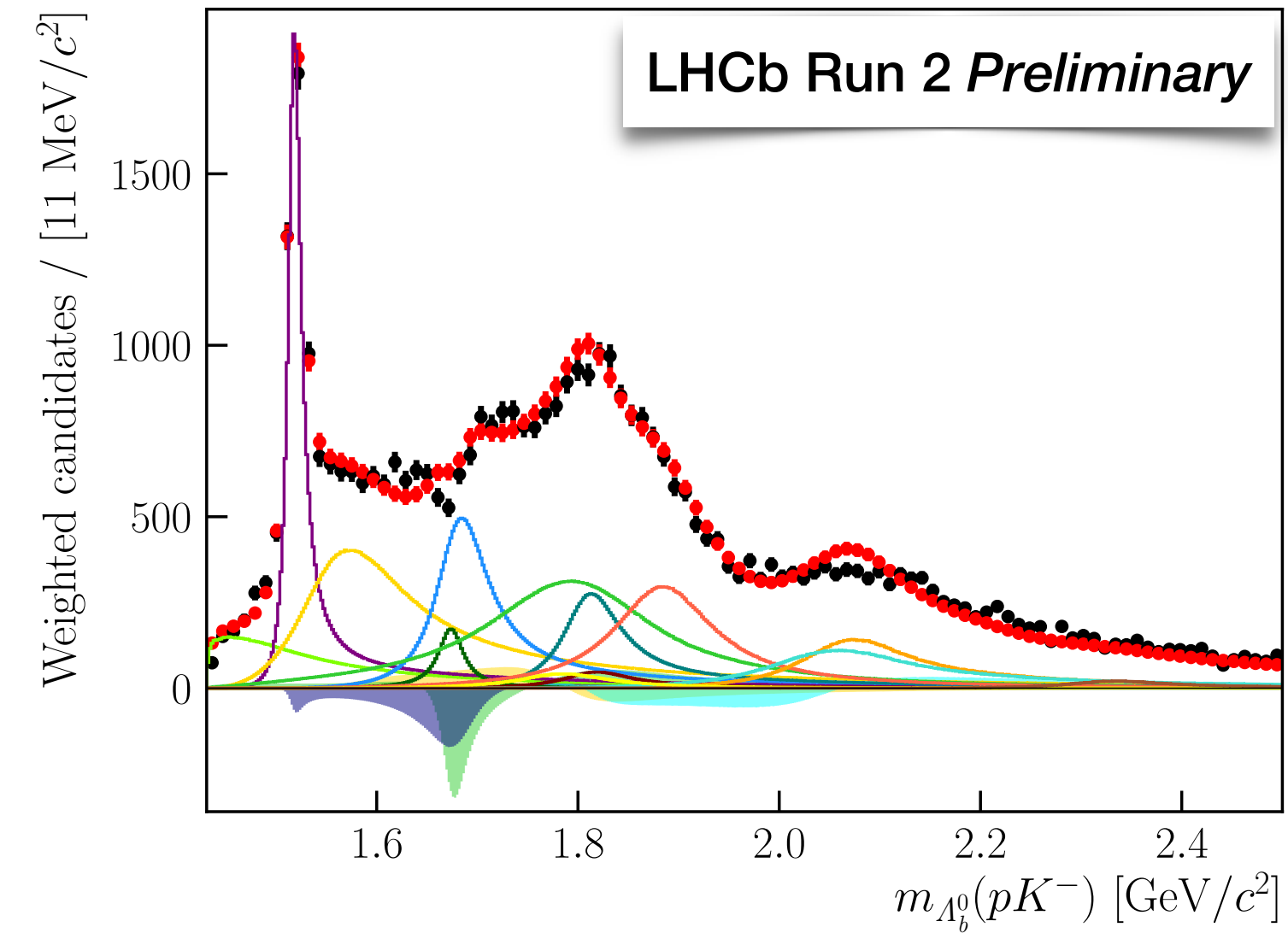
$$L \leq 3$$

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this small model

~~3.6 Percent...~~
not great,
not terrible



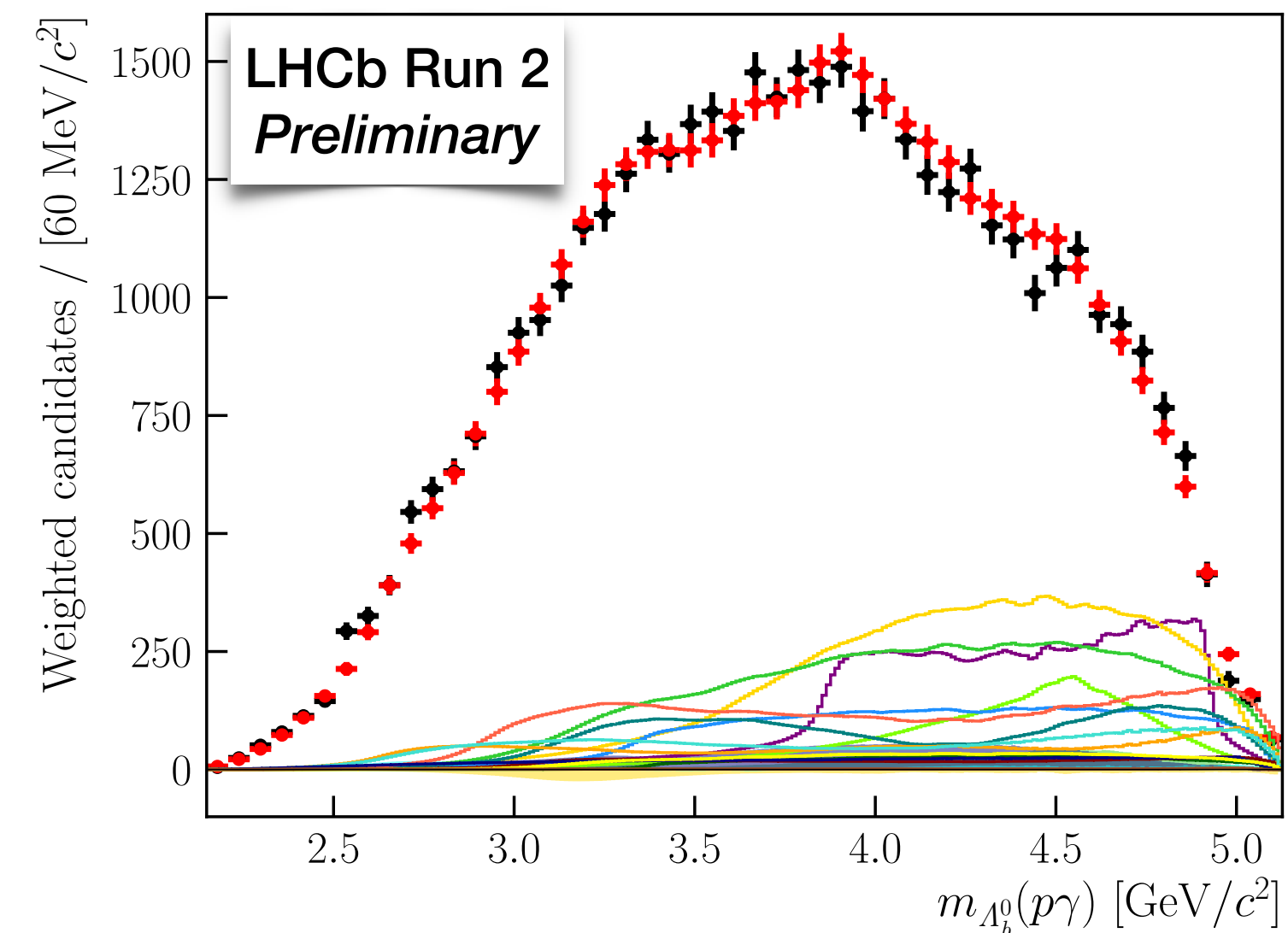
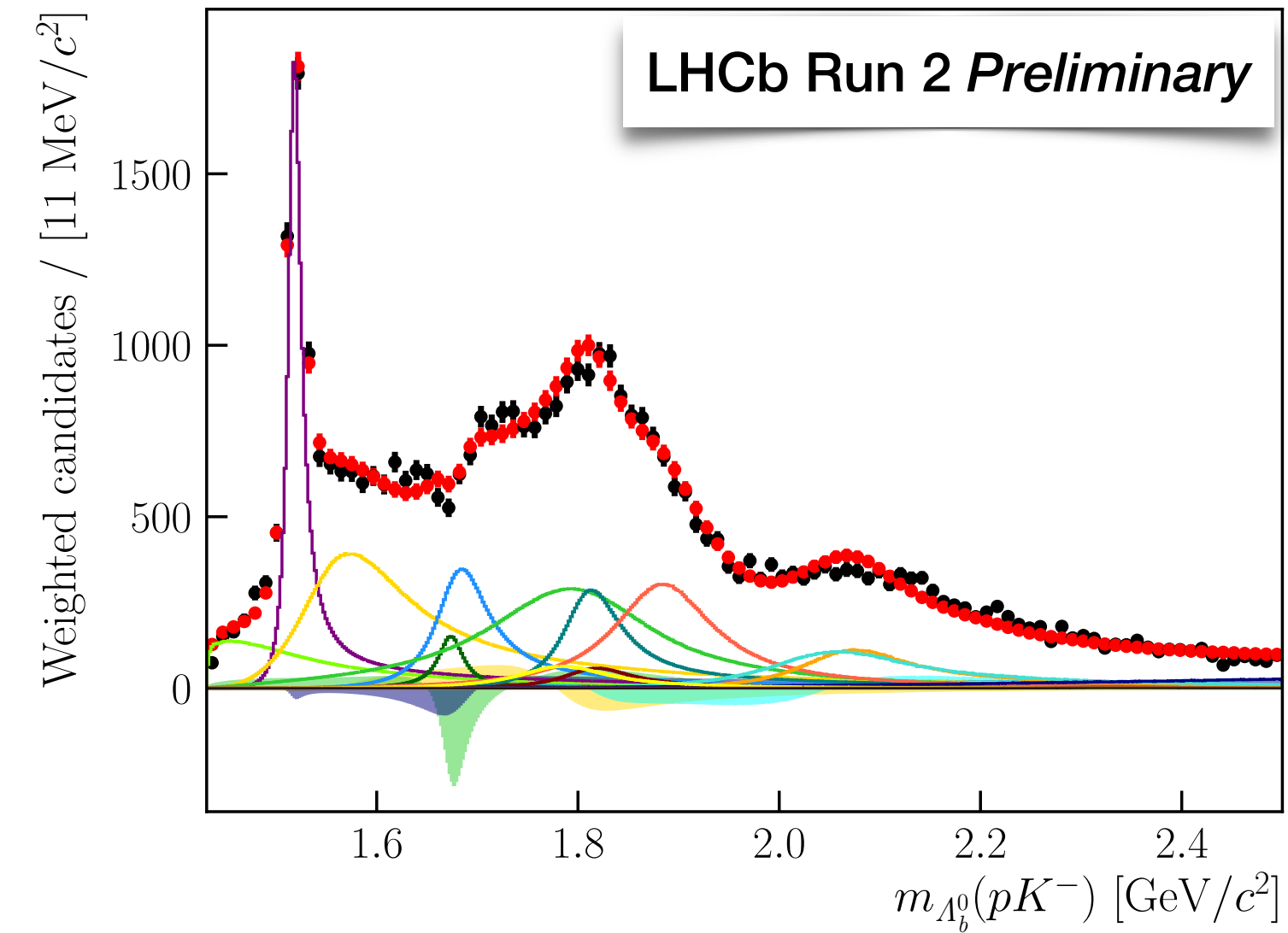
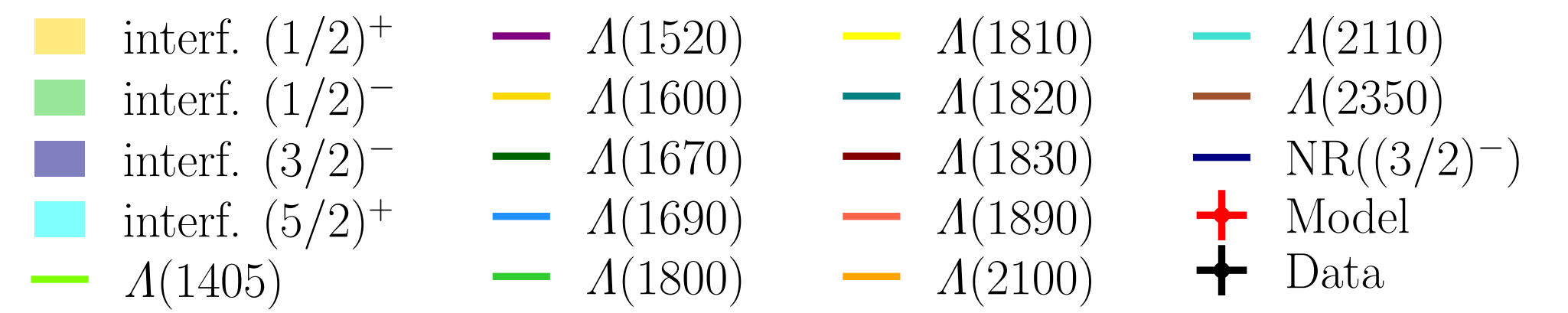
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Allowing larger L does not change the fit quality.

$L \leq 2$ has much worse fit quality.

The best model

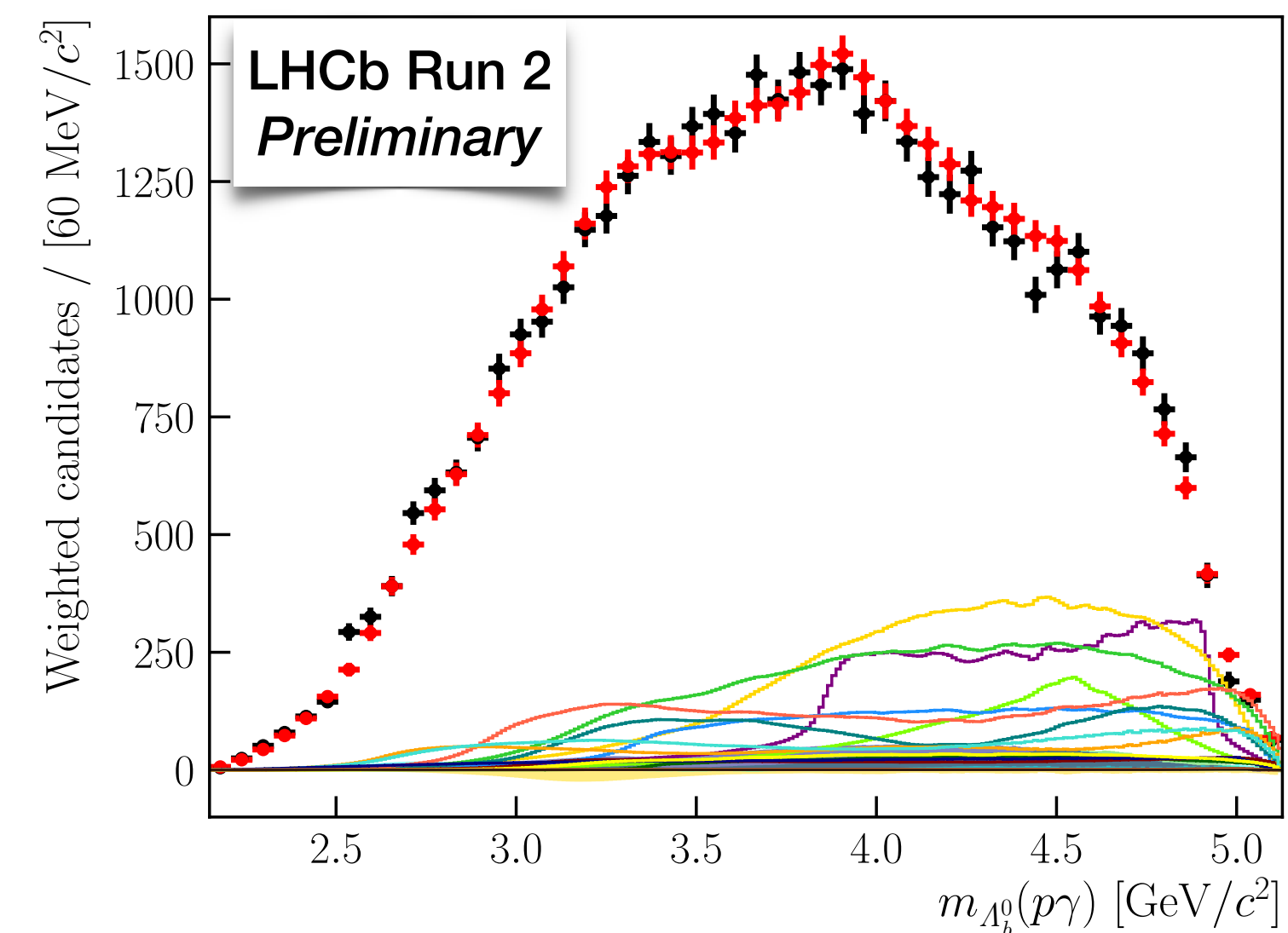
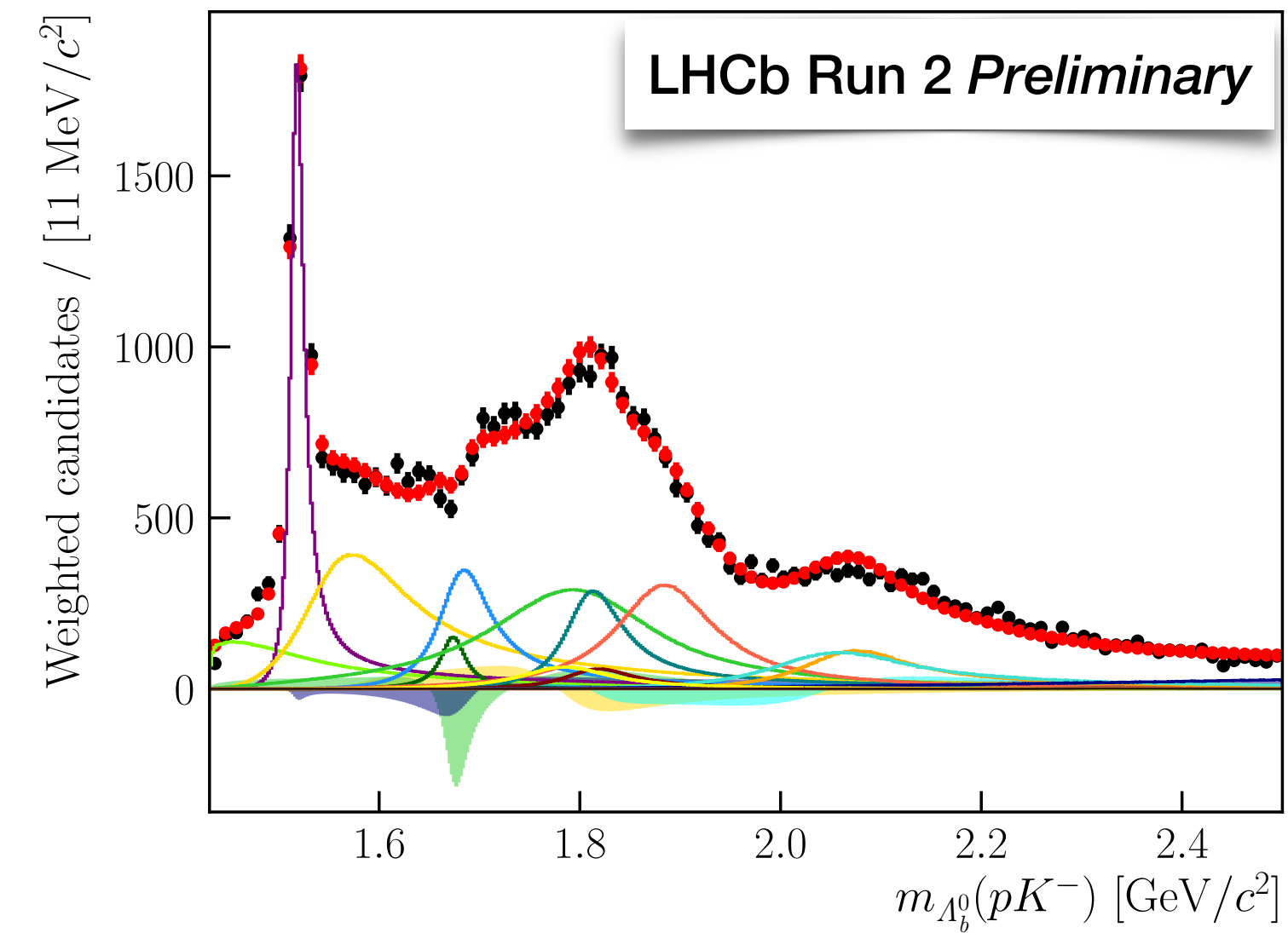
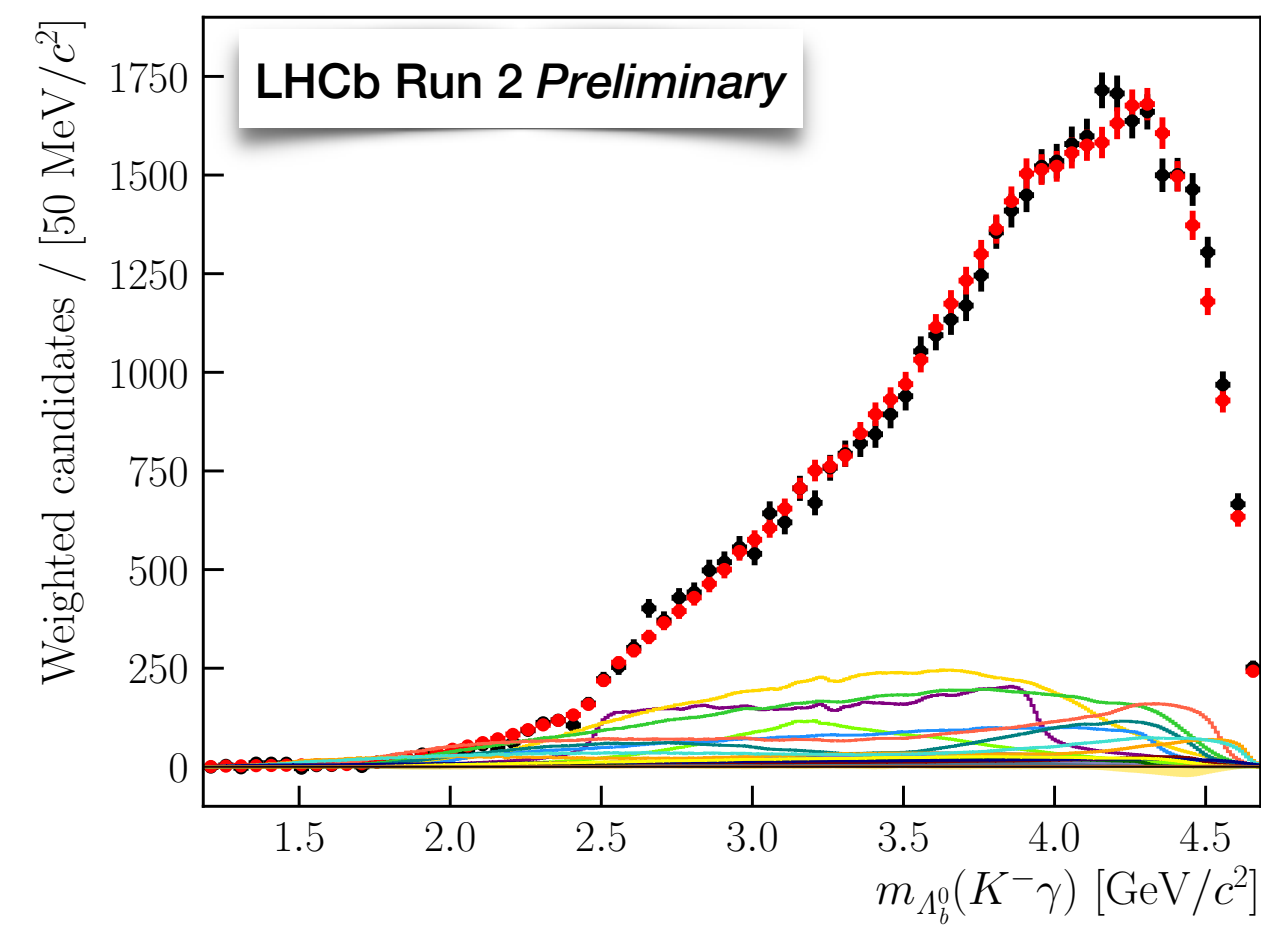
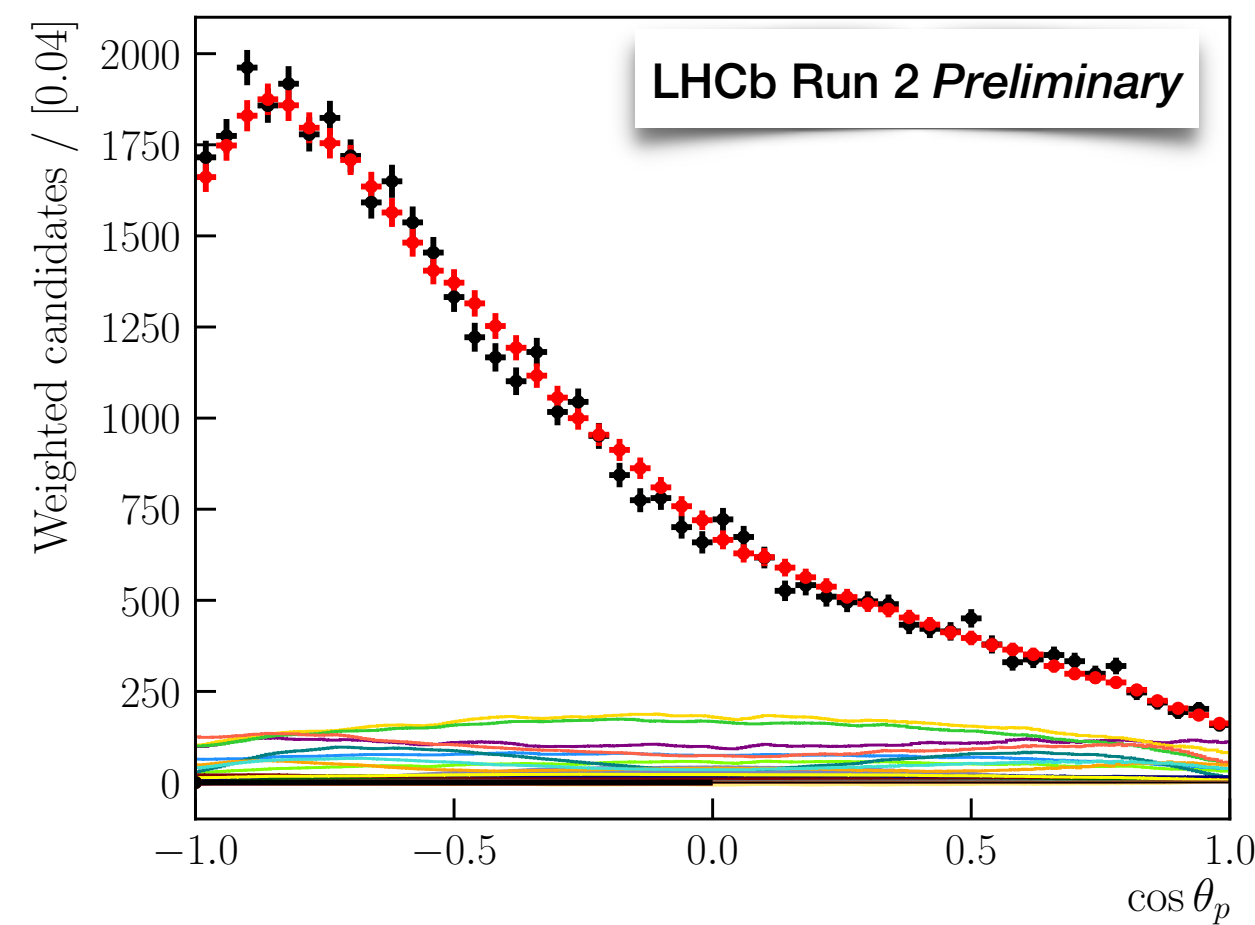
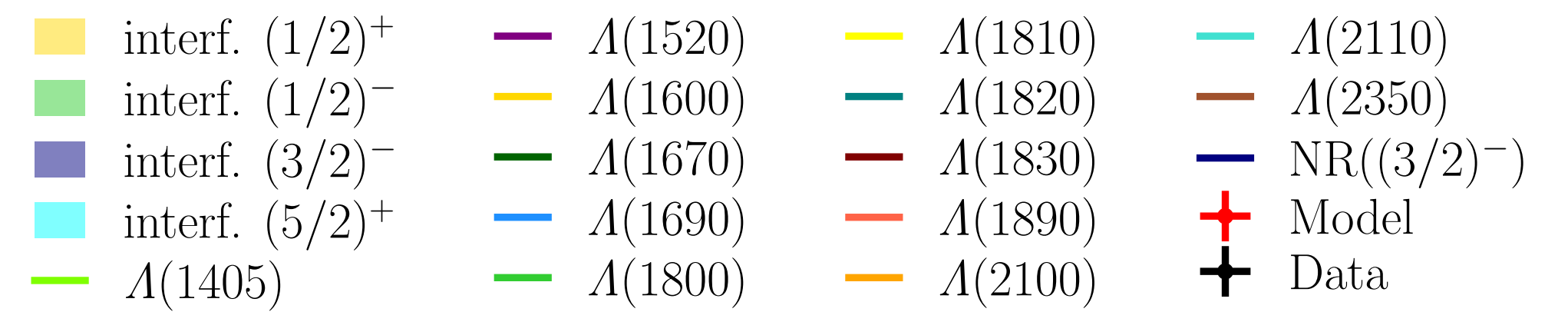
Small model + non-resonant component



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The best model

Small model + non-resonant component



Asymmetric angle due to interference

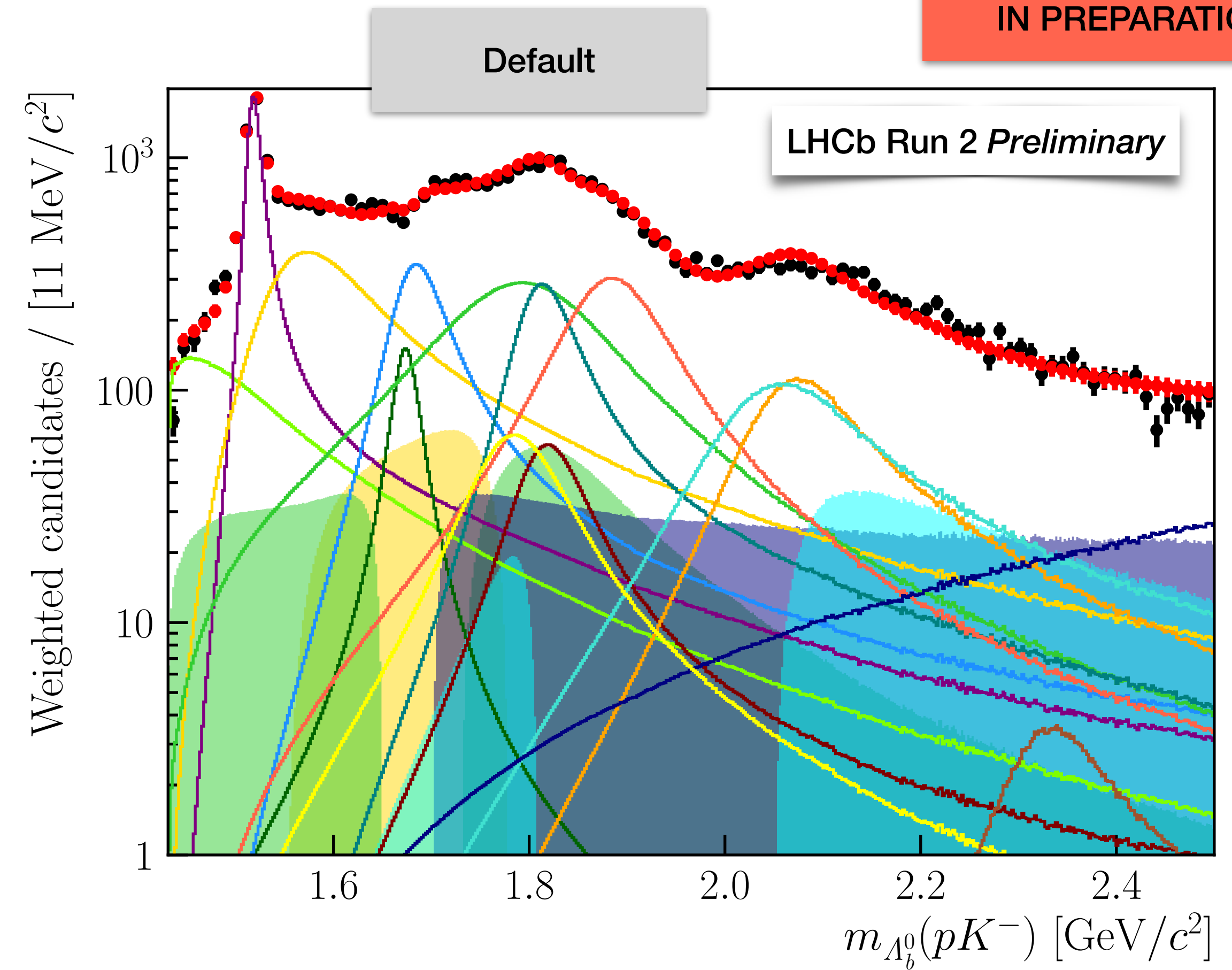
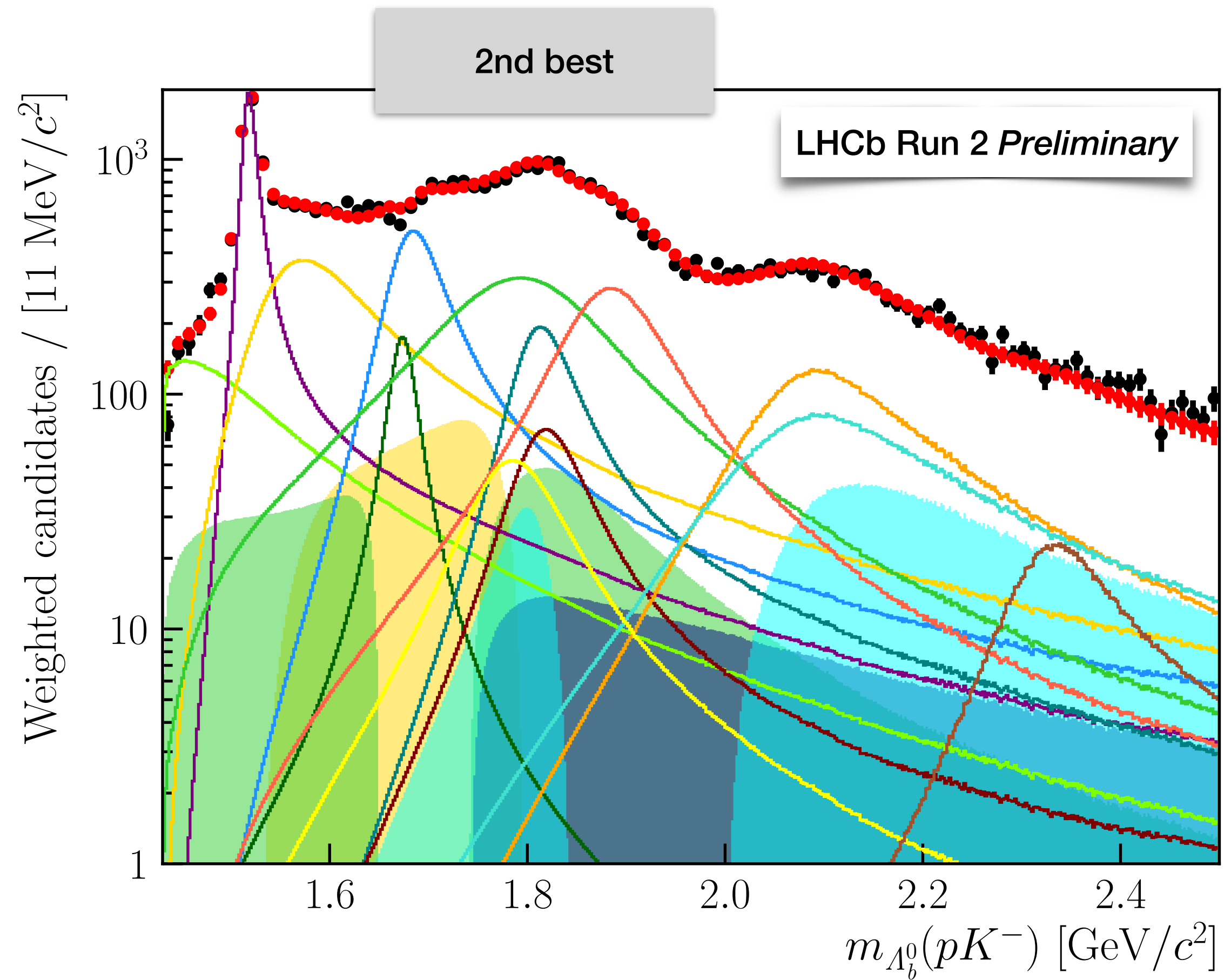
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The 2nd winner

Small model + float mass/width
of $\Lambda(2100)$ and $\Lambda(2110)$

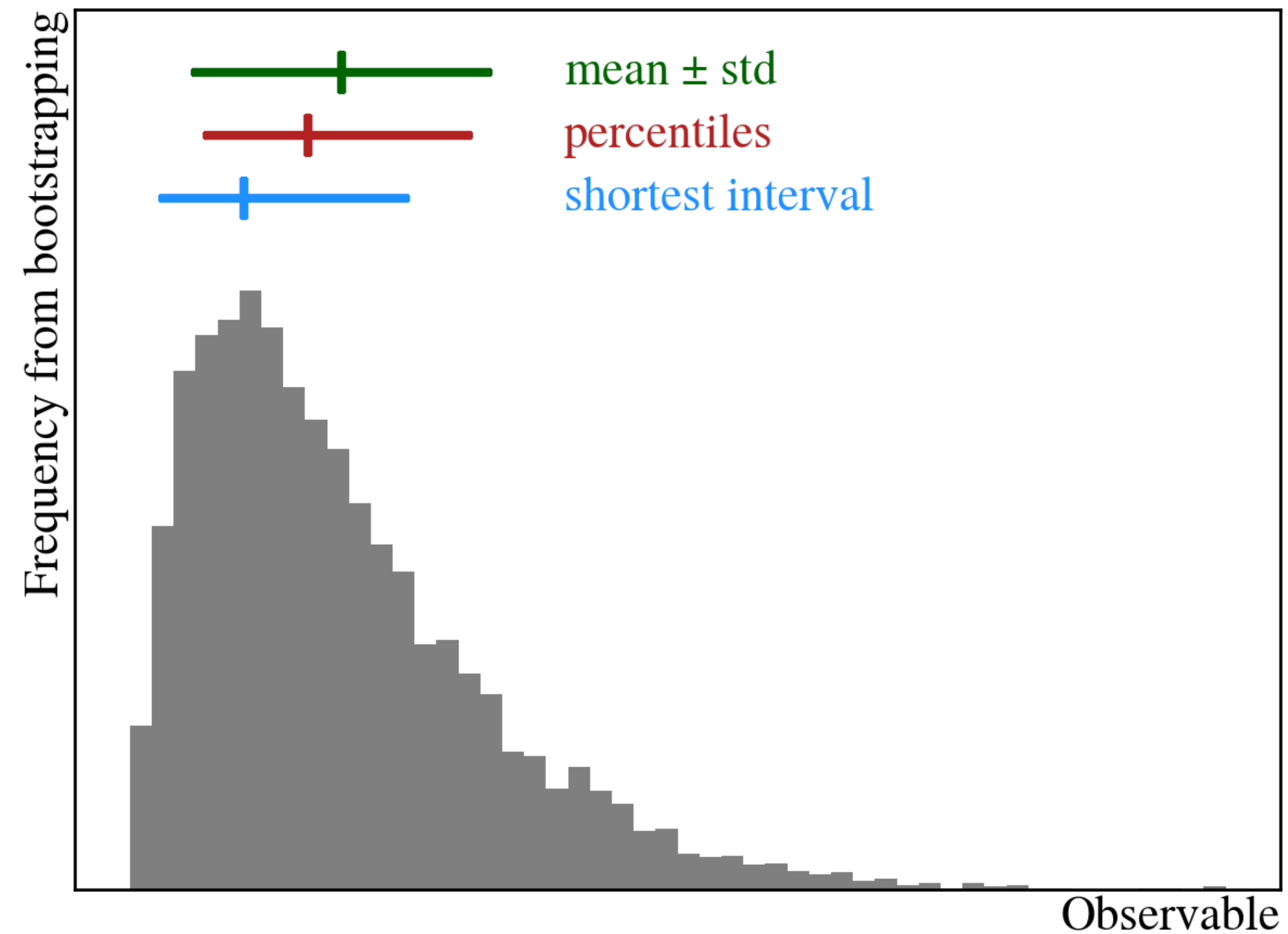


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Uncertainties due to limited data

From bootstrapping



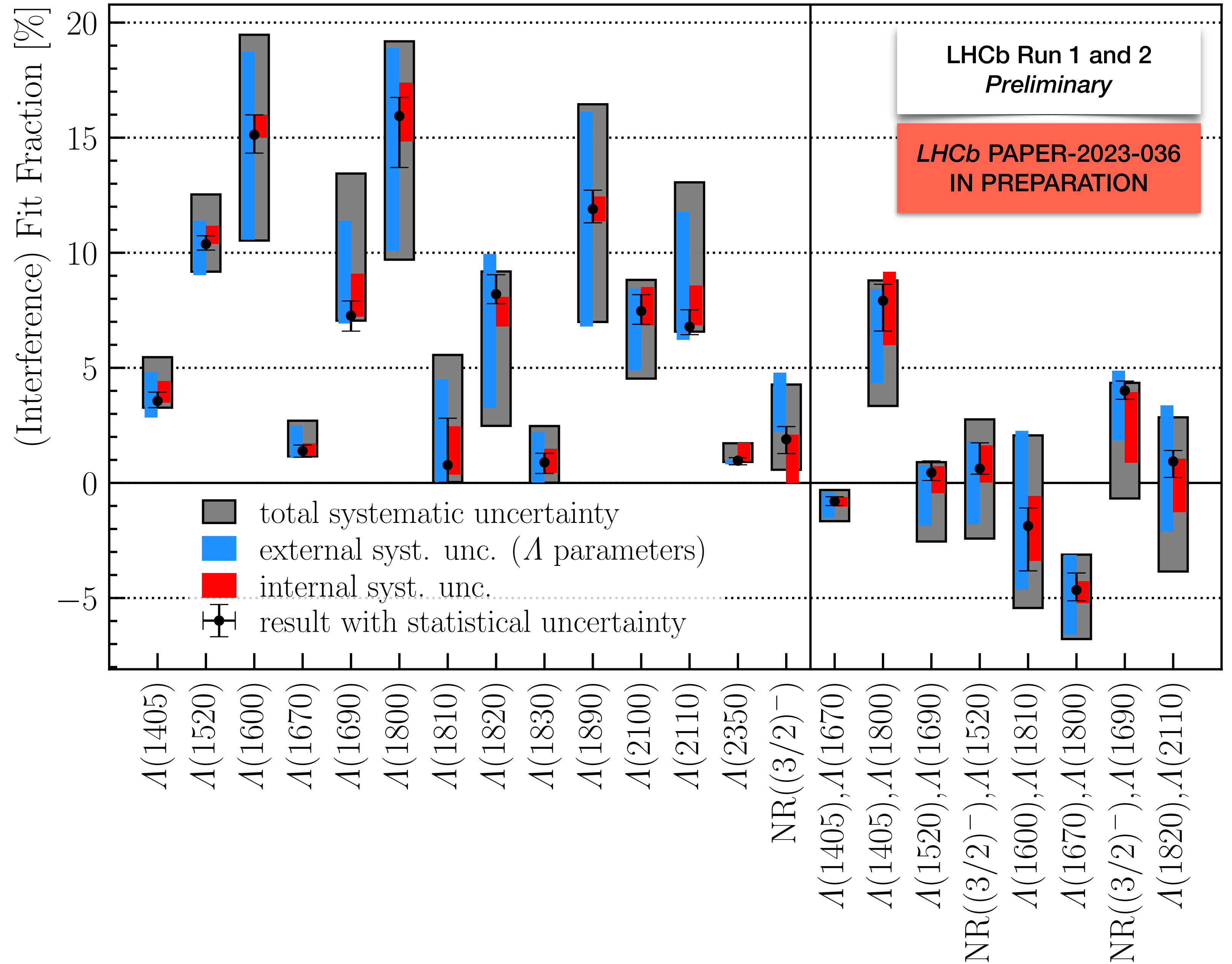
Systematic uncertainties

In decreasing order

- Resonance parameters (mass, width, radius) [external]
- Amplitude model and resolution
- Acceptance model and simulation
- Massfit model

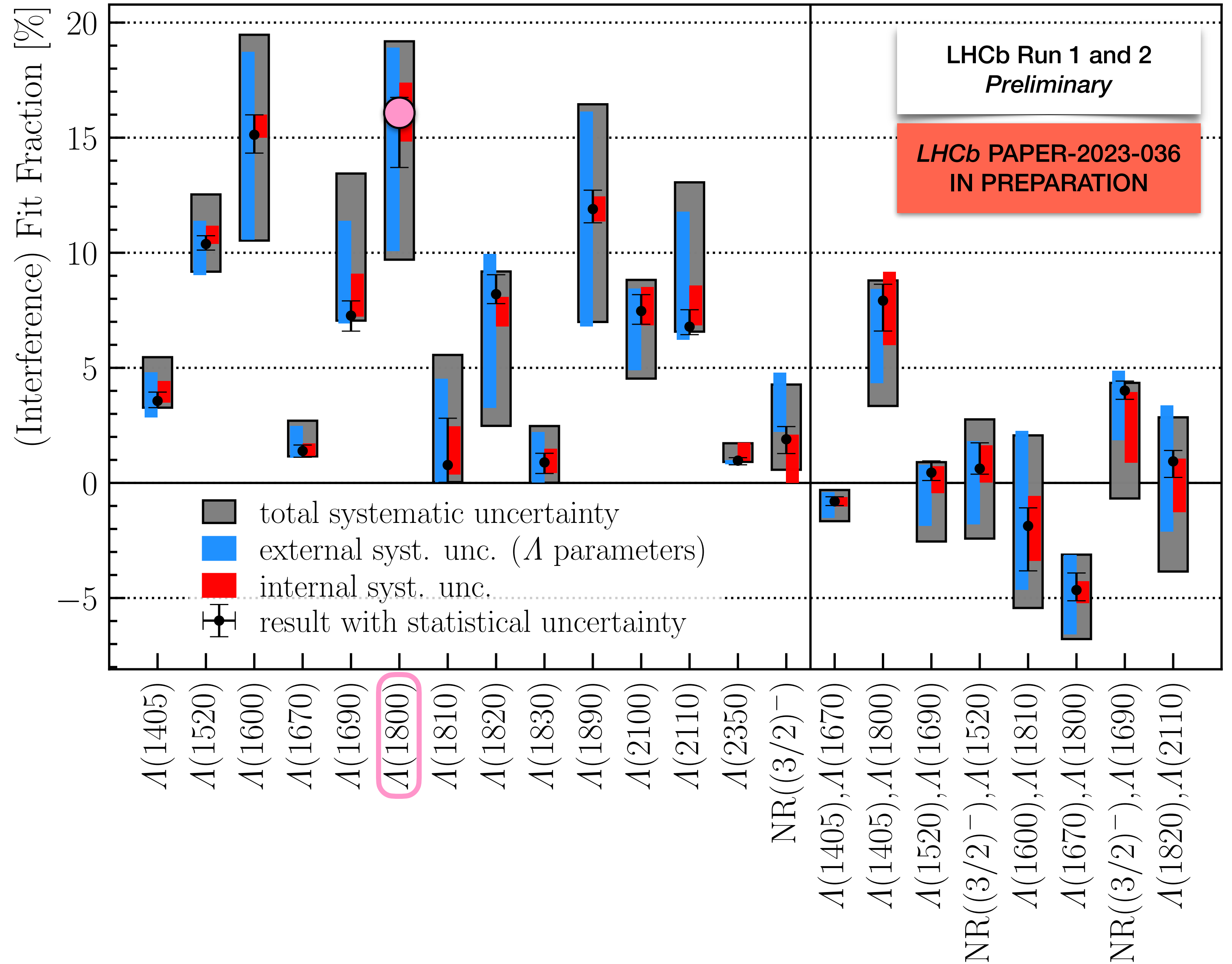
Combine asymmetric uncertainties
by convolving the distributions

Result



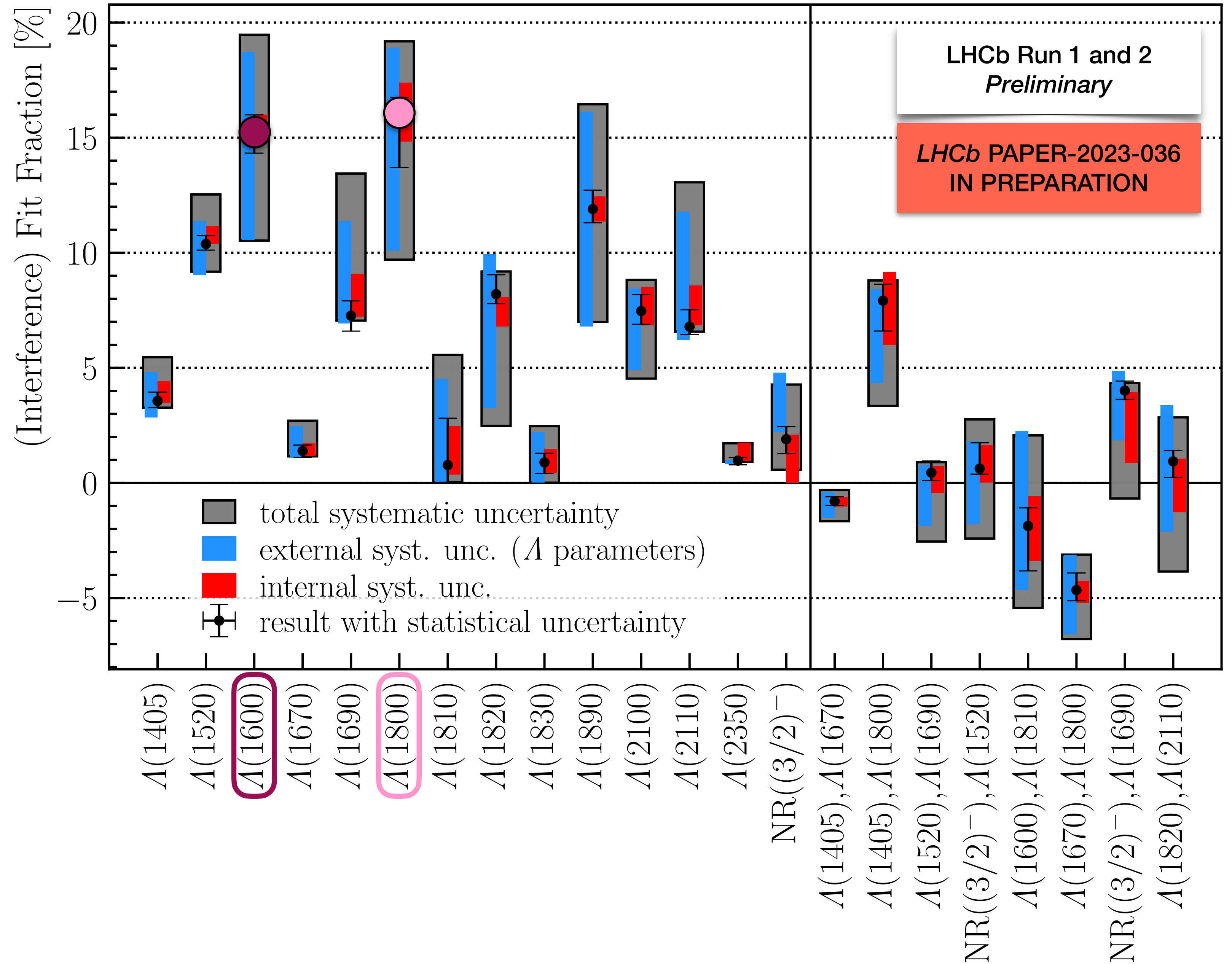
Result

1
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2
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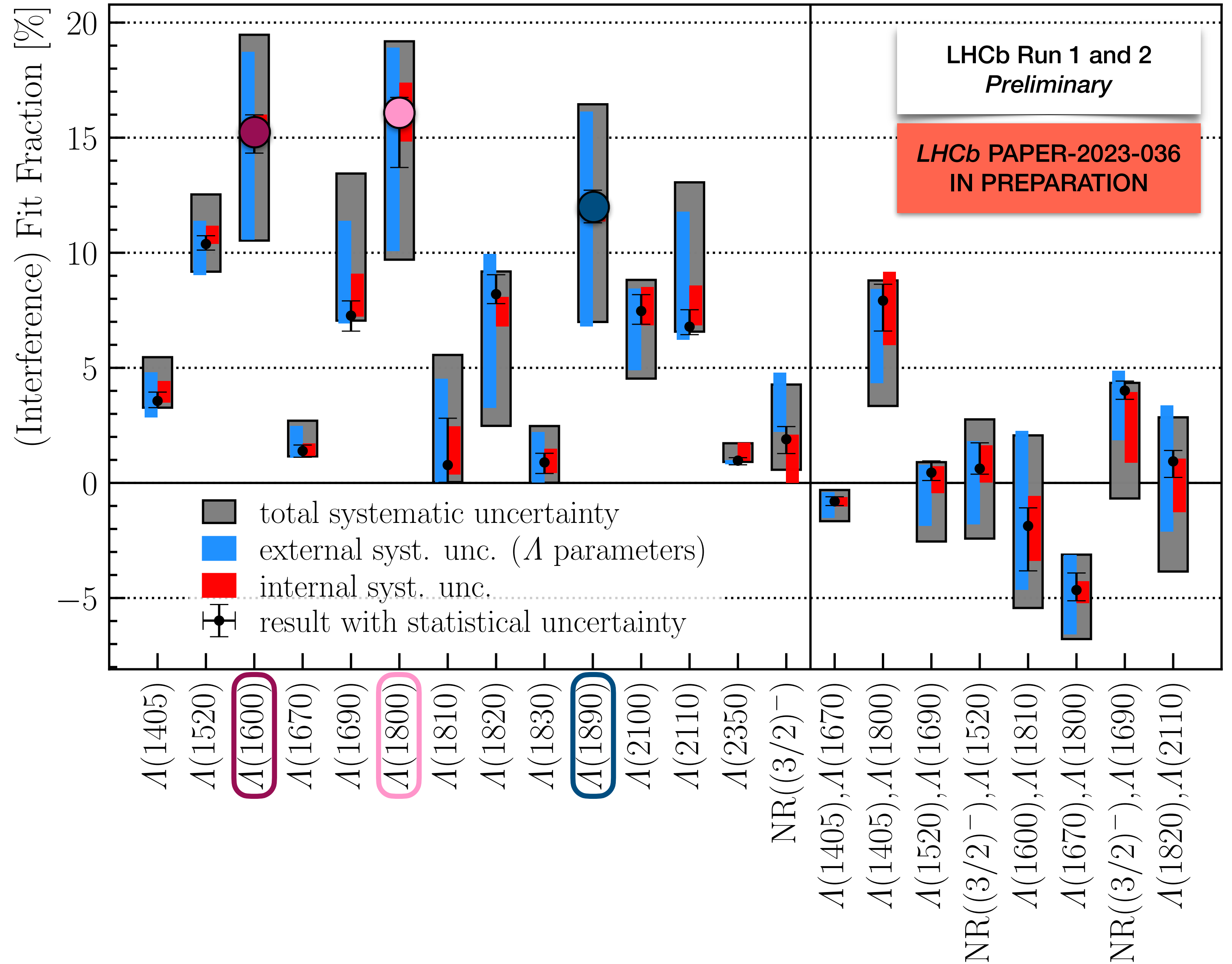
Result

1	1
2	2
-	+



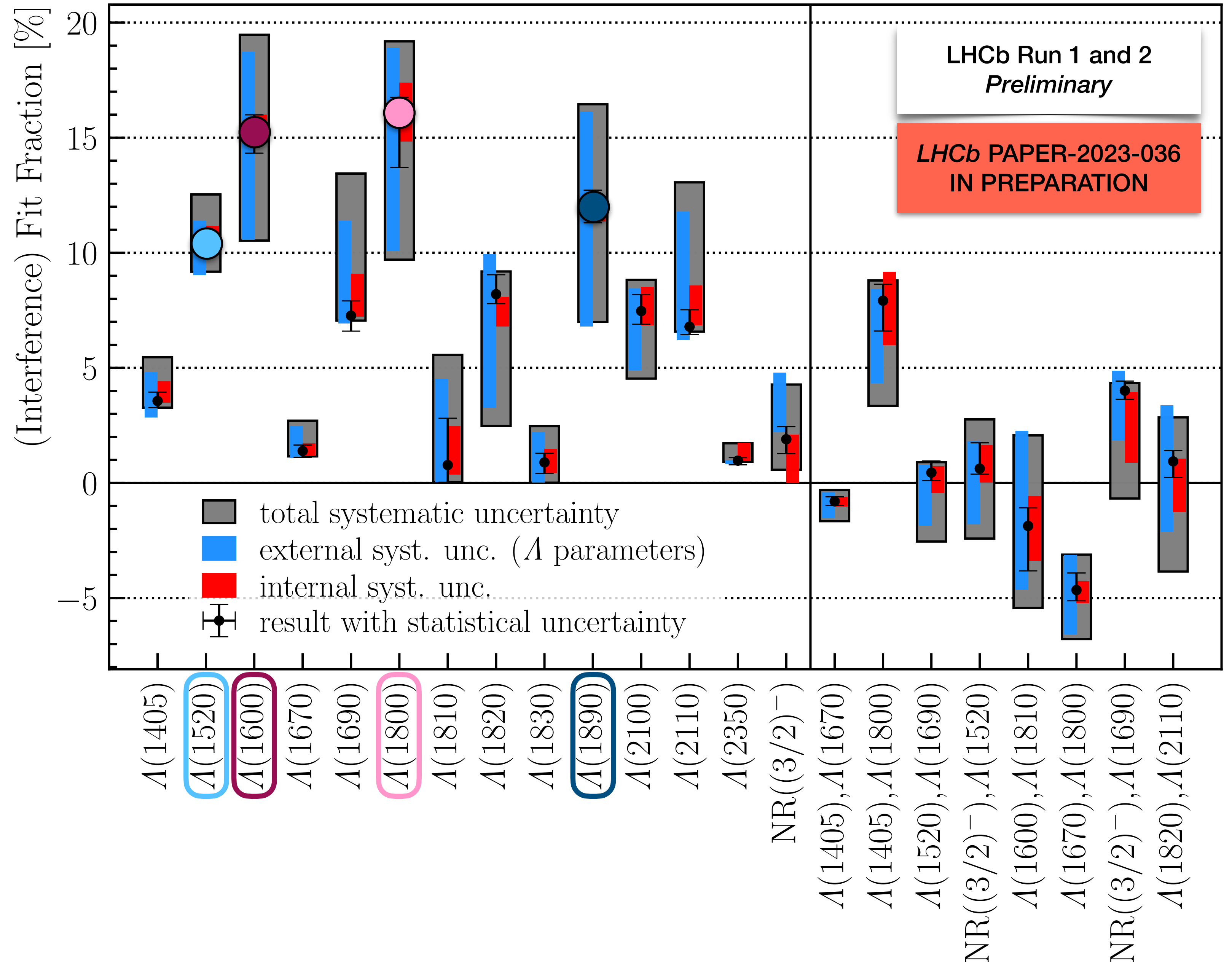
Result

1	1	3
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-	+	+



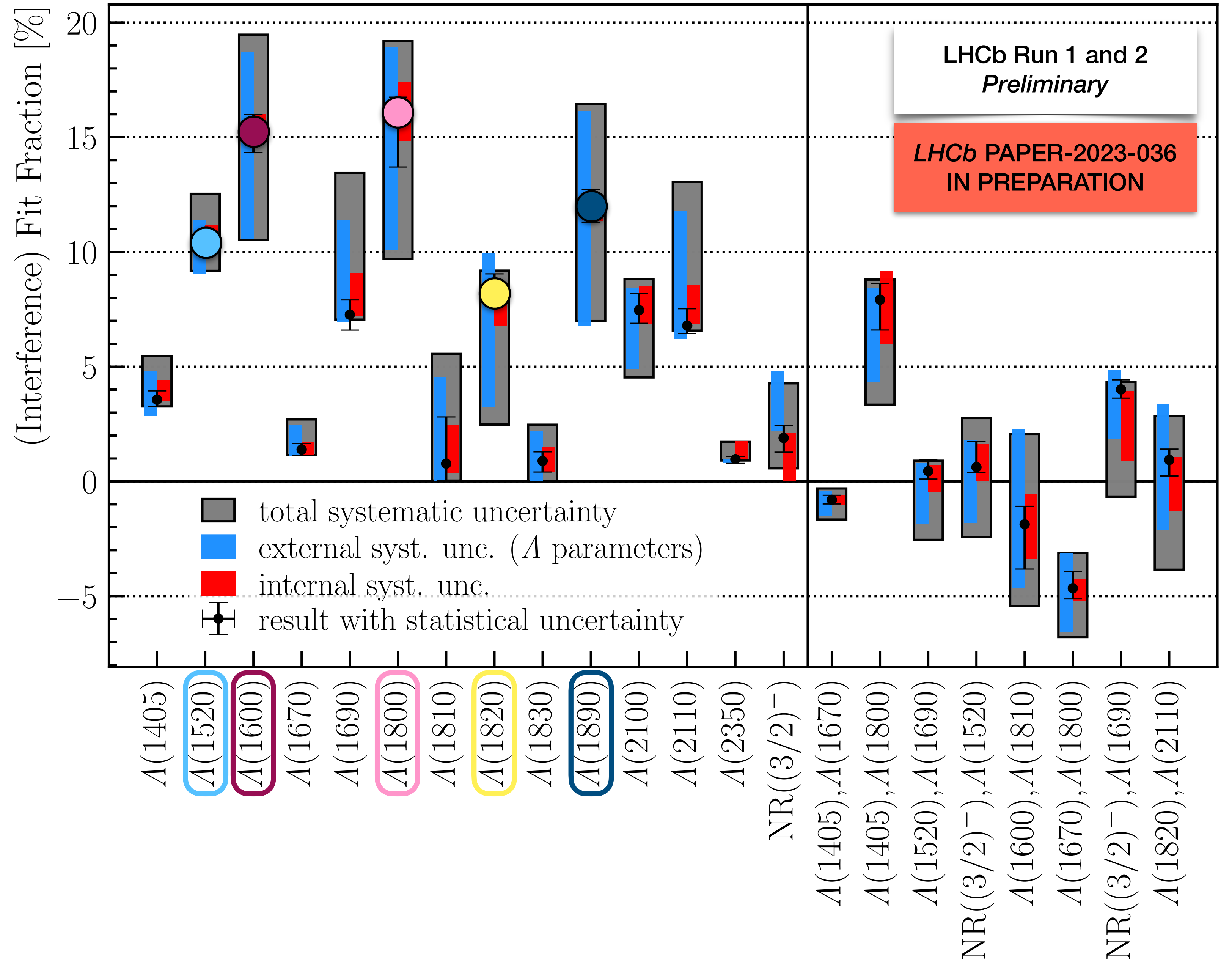
Result

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-	+	+	-



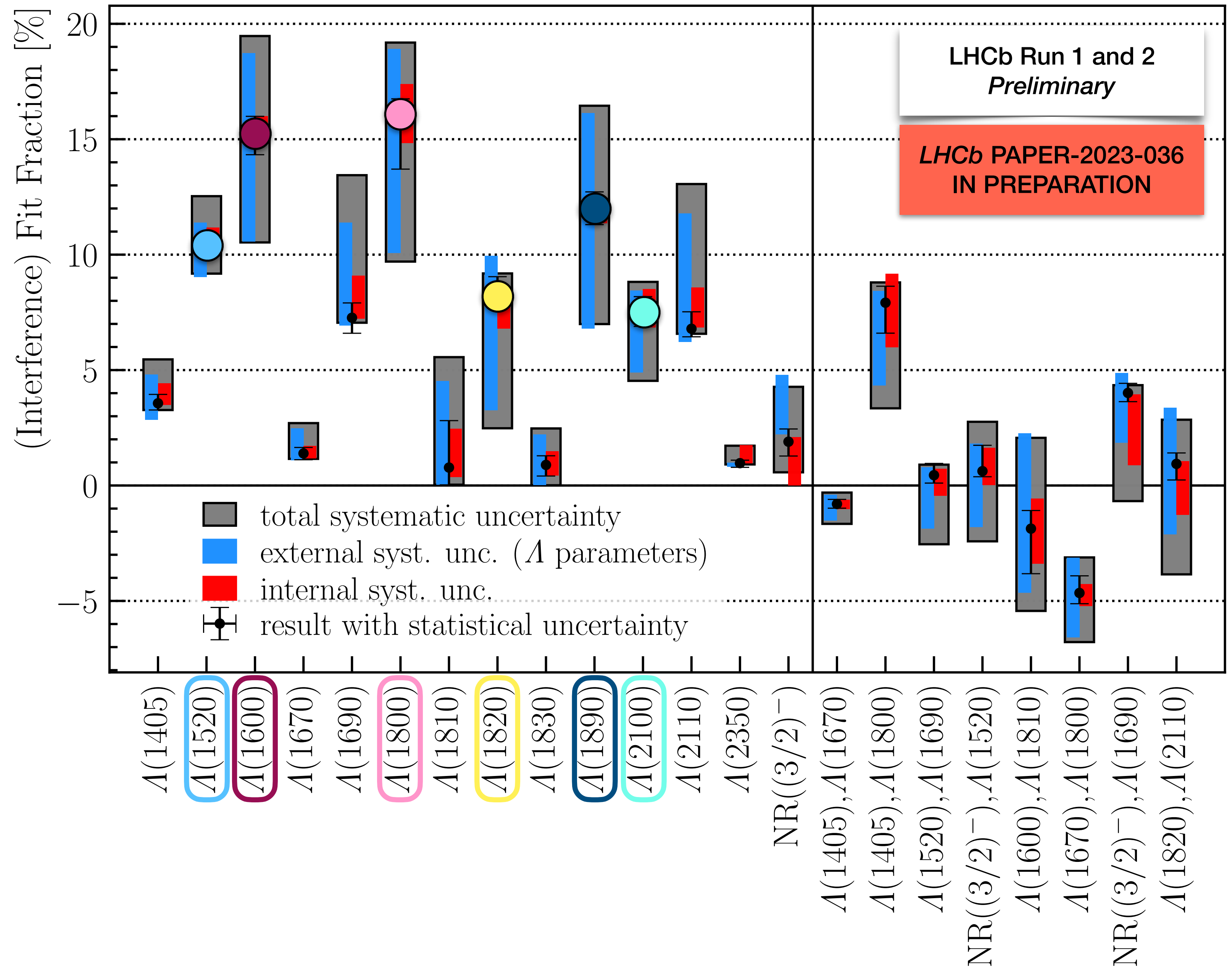
Result

1	1	3	3	5
2	2	2	2	2
-	+	+	-	+



Result

1	1	3	3	5	7
2	2	2	2	2	2
-	+	+	-	+	-



Summary

Studying penguins in the jungle

- Penguins are useful
- With complicated final states in baryons
- Hadron QCD is complicated esp. for resonance spectra
- LHCb measurement of $BF(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda(1520)\mu\mu)$ [predictions are easier for individual states]
- Measurement of the spectrum at the photon pole by LHCb

