

$B_s^0$  $B^0$ 

# Rare and semileptonic heavy flavour decays at LHCb

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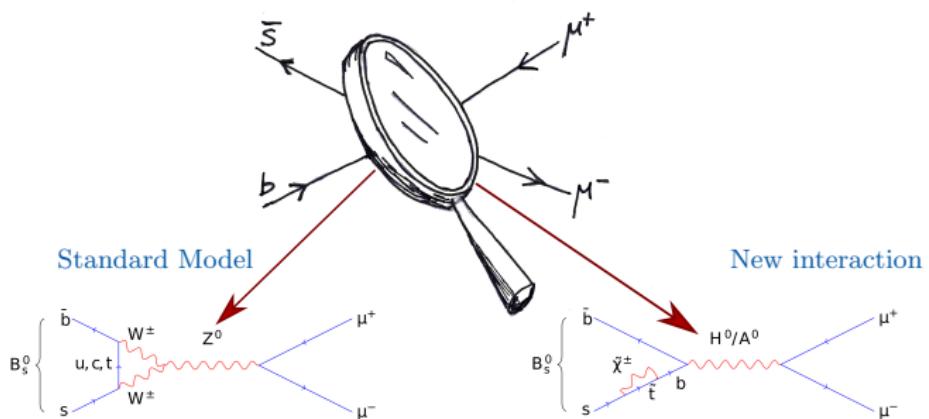
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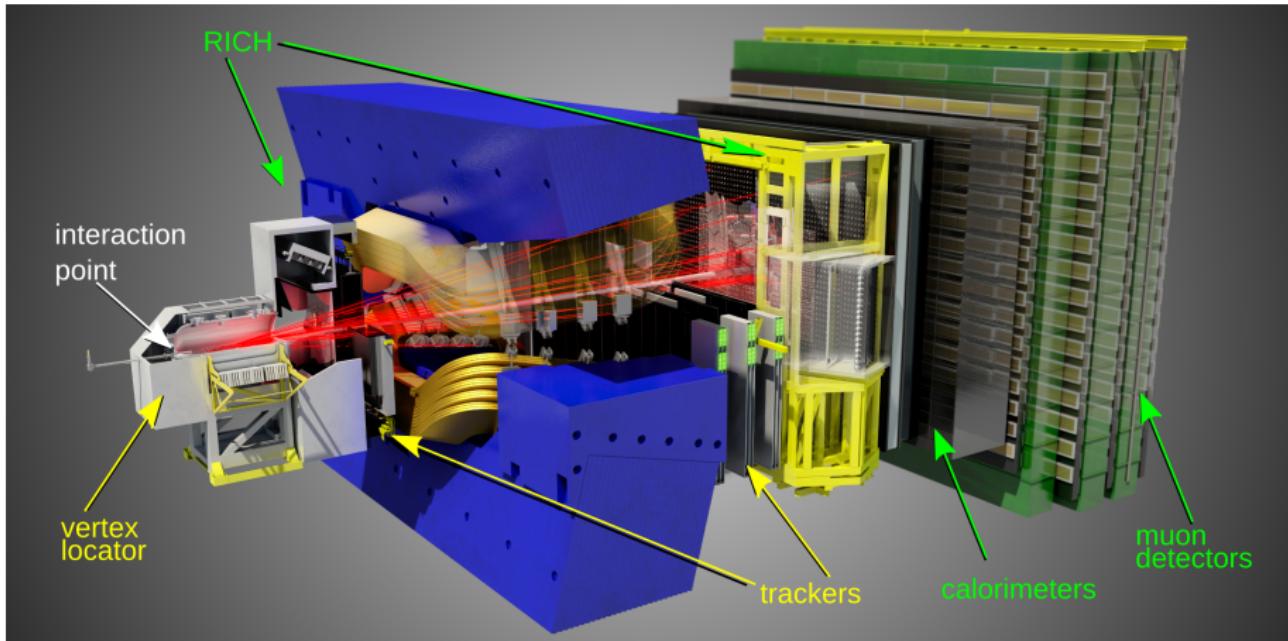
# Why search indirectly for new interactions?



- Precise predictions in the SM
- Rare phenomena → New interactions can be major contribution
- New interactions can have different symmetries from the SM
- Charm and beauty probe complementary couplings

Example    Scalar interaction    Higgs-like boson     $C_S, C_P$   
                Vector interaction     $Z'$                                $C_V, C_A$

Over-constraining new interaction couplings is crucial to understand their origin



- $p\bar{p}$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7, 8, 13$  TeV
- 3 (6)  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  in Run 1 (Run 2)

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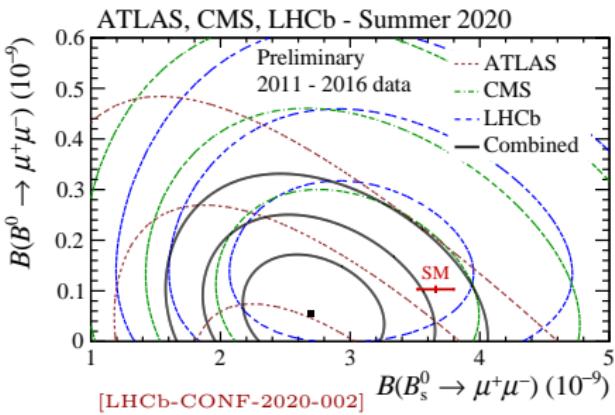
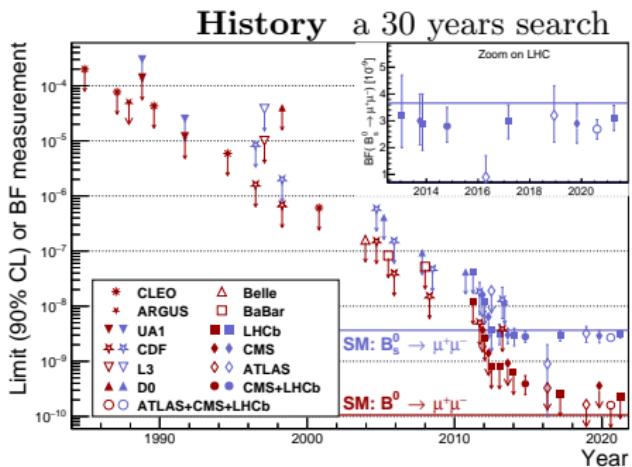
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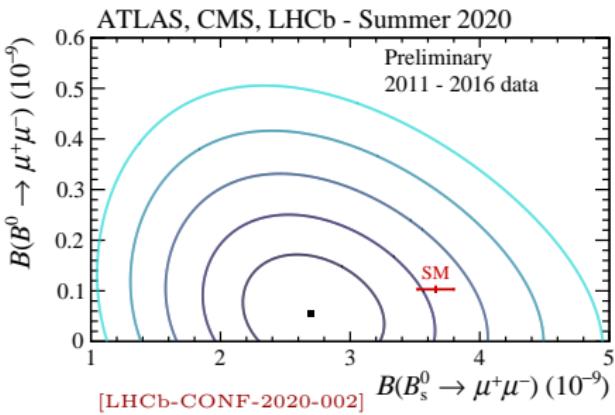
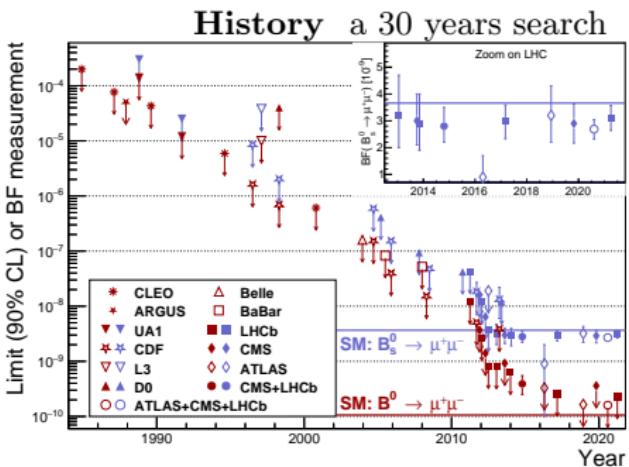
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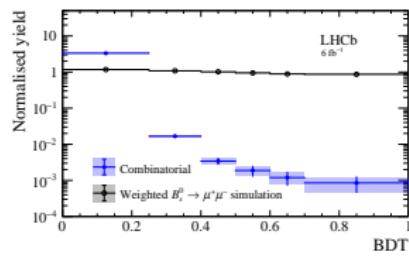
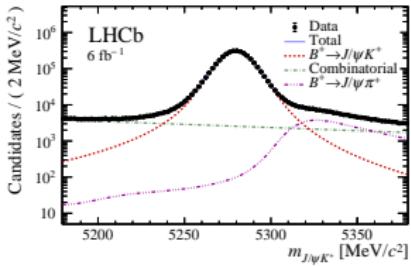
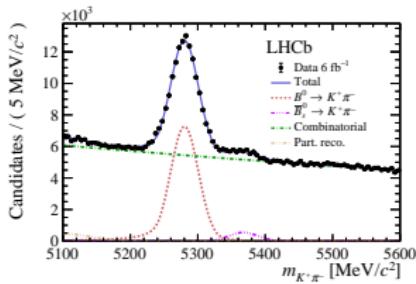
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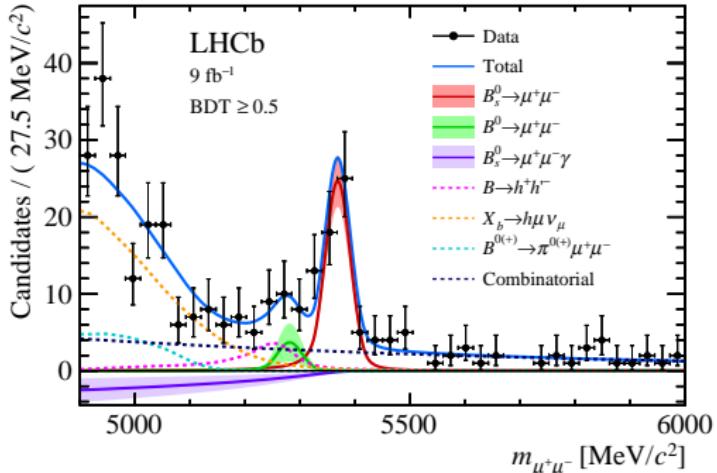
- Normalised to two channels:  $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$  and  $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$
- Multivariate operator against combinatorial background
- Tight PID calibrated on data against misID
- Significant improvement in hadronisation fraction  $\frac{f_s}{f_d}(13 \text{ TeV}) = 0.2539 \pm 0.0079$  from combined measurement [LHCb-PAPER-2020-046 - PRD 104, 032005 (2021)]

$$\mathcal{B}(B_{d,s}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = \underbrace{\frac{f_{\text{norm}}}{f_{\text{sig}}}}_{\text{Hadronisation fractions}} \underbrace{\frac{\varepsilon_{\text{norm}}}{\varepsilon_{\text{sig}}}}_{\text{Efficiencies}} \underbrace{\frac{N_{\text{sig}}}{N_{\text{norm}}}}_{\text{Yields}} \mathcal{B}(\text{norm}) = \underbrace{\alpha_{\text{sig}}}_{\text{Single event sensitivity}} N_{\text{sig}}$$



# $B_{d,s}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ analysis with full statistics

## Results



- Simultaneous fit in 10 bins  
2 datasets (Run 1, 2)  $\times$  5 BDT bins
- External constraints on yield and shape of misidentified backgrounds
- Combinatorial background free
- Signal shapes calibrated and constrained
- All systematic uncertainties directly propagated

$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.09^{+0.46+0.15}_{-0.43-0.11}) \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (1.2^{+0.8}_{-0.7} \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-10} < 2.6 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma)_{m_{\mu\mu} > 4.9 \text{ GeV}} = (-2.5 \pm 1.4 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-9} < 2.0 \times 10^{-9}$$

No significant signal for  $B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  and  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$ , upper limits at 95%

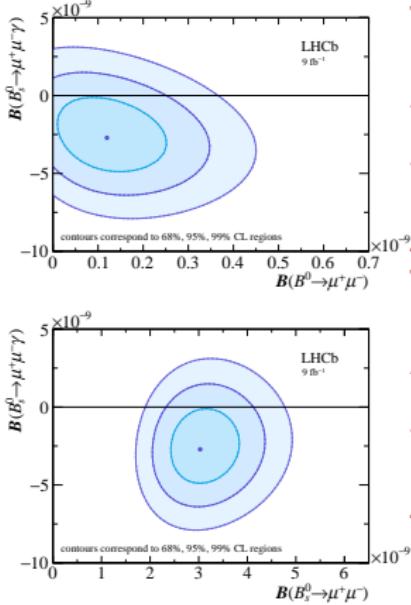
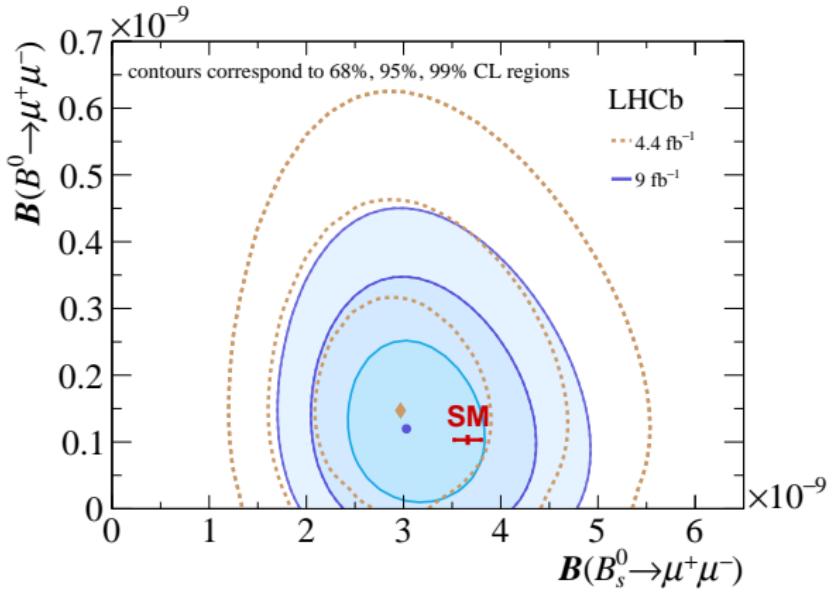
First world limit on  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$  decay

Measured effective lifetime  $\tau_{\text{eff}}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = 2.07 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.03 \text{ ps}$

Consistent at  $1.5\sigma$  and  $2.2\sigma$  with the heavy and light  $B_s^0$  eigenstates lifetimes

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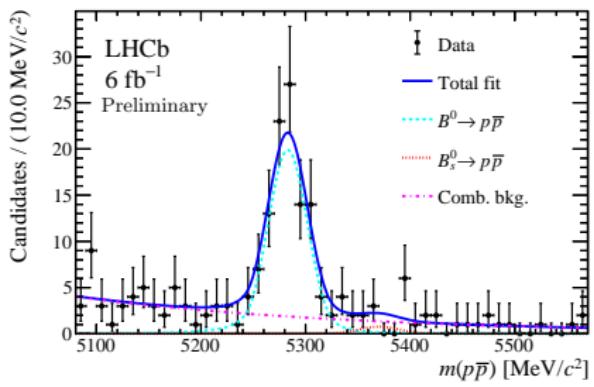
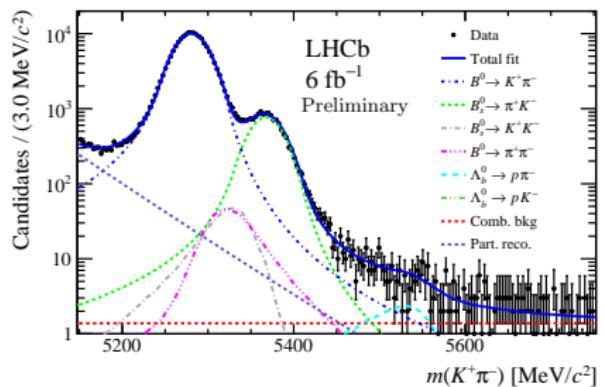
Closing the phase space



- Prior to LHC(b) orders of magnitude enhancements of the  $B_{d,s}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  branching fractions were allowed
- Now closed to about 20% distance
- This tightens the phase-space for possible new physics that would cause (pseudo)-scalar or axial-vector  $bs\mu\mu$  couplings

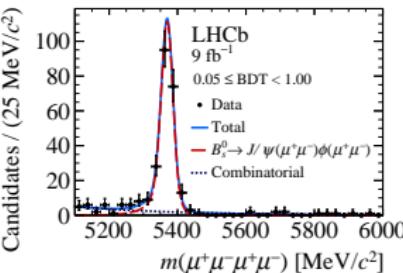
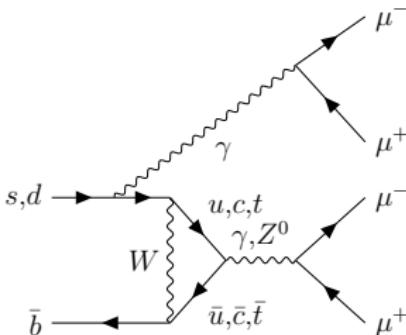
# $B^0_{(s)} \rightarrow p\bar{p}$ decays

- Very rare baryonic modes
- Run 2 analysis, normalised to  $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$  decays
- $B^0 \rightarrow p\bar{p}$  (re)-observed with large significance and branching fraction  
 $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow p\bar{p}) = (1.27 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.04) \times 10^{-8}$
- Rarer  $B_s^0 \rightarrow p\bar{p}$  not observed, with upper limit  
 $\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow p\bar{p}) < 4.37(5.03) \times 10^{-9}$  at 90% (95%)
- Combined Run 1-2 branching fraction  
 $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow p\bar{p}) = (1.27 \pm 0.13 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.03) \times 10^{-8}$



# Search for $B$ to four muons

- $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-$  very rare in the SM (non-resonant)  $\mathcal{B}(B_s^0) \sim 10^{-10}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}(B^0) \sim 10^{-12}$
- Many extension of the SM can give contributions orders of magnitude larger, such as MSSM [Demidov, Gorbunov] \*
- In particular light axions that could explain the  $g - 2$  anomaly  
 [Bauer, Neubert, Thamm - PRL119, 031802(2017)]  
 [Liu, Wagner, Wang - JHEP 03 (2019) 008]  
 [Chala, Egede, Spannowsky - Eur.Phys.J.C 79 (2019) 5, 431]
- Use full Run1-2 statistics ( $9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ), supersedes previous results
- Search for non-resonant  $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-$ , axion mediated  $B \rightarrow aa$  with  $m_a = 1 \text{ GeV}$ , and  $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow J/\psi (\mu^+ \mu^-) \mu^+ \mu^-$
- Normalisation to  $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu^+ \mu^-) \phi(\mu^+ \mu^-)$ ,  $\mathcal{B} = (1.74 \pm 0.14) 10^{-8}$
- Search in bins of a BDT trained against combinatorial background
- Misidentified background found to be negligible



\*Model sparked attention due to the HyperCP anomaly, later constrained by LHCb. See the LHCb evidence for  $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p \mu^+ \mu^-$  decays [PRL120, 221803 (2018)]

# Search for $B$ to four muons

- No excess above background expectation found
- Limit with CLs method in GAMMACOMBO

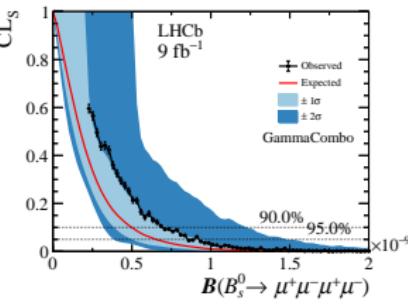
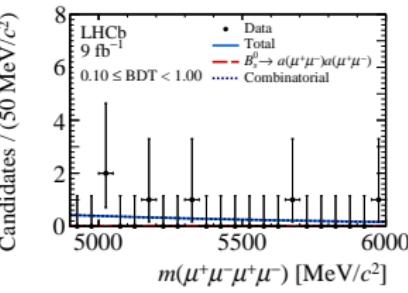
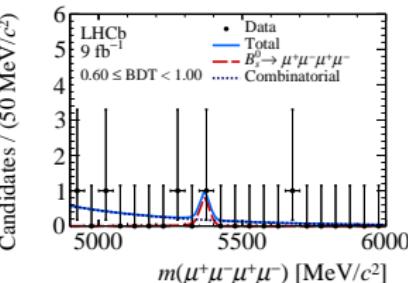
The limits at 95% confidence are

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-) &< 8.6 \times 10^{-10}, \\ \mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-) &< 1.8 \times 10^{-10}, \\ \mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow a(\mu^+ \mu^-) a(\mu^+ \mu^-)) &< 5.8 \times 10^{-10}, \\ \mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow a(\mu^+ \mu^-) a(\mu^+ \mu^-)) &< 2.3 \times 10^{-10}, \\ \mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu^+ \mu^-) \mu^+ \mu^-) &< 2.6 \times 10^{-9}, \\ \mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu^+ \mu^-) \mu^+ \mu^-) &< 1.0 \times 10^{-9}. \end{aligned}$$

First search for  $B \rightarrow aa$  with  $m_a = 1$  GeV

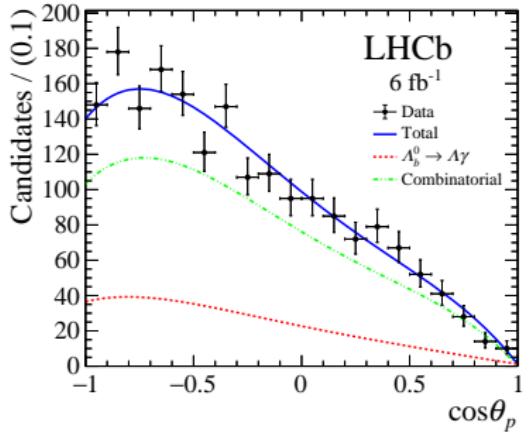
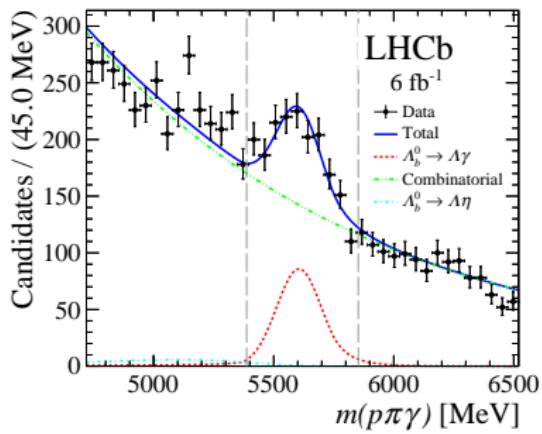
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Factor 2 improvement on the non resonant channels.

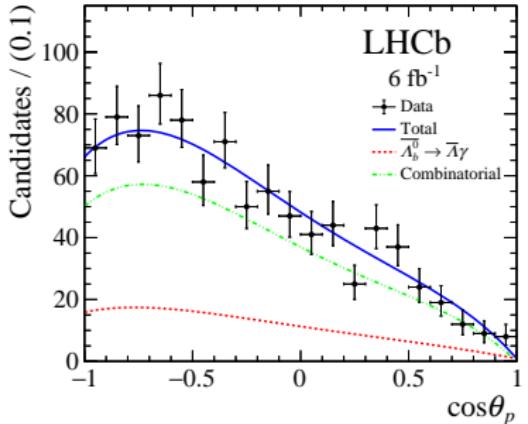
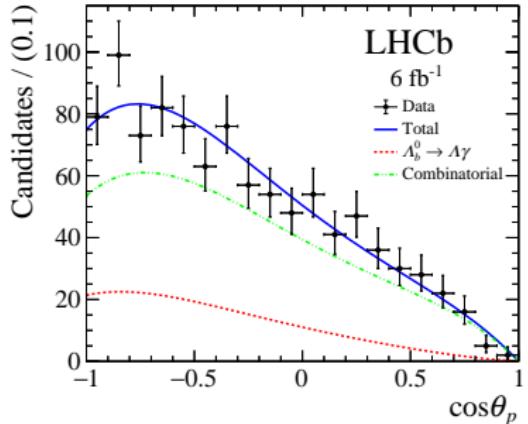


# Measurement of the photon polarization in $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$

- $b \rightarrow s\gamma$  photon polarisation in SM predominantly left-handed (deviations  $\propto m_s^2/m_b^2$ )
- Photon recoils against  $\Lambda$  that is in turn polarised
- Measure photon polarisation  $\alpha_\gamma$  from proton angular distribution
- Sensitive to  $C_7^{(\prime)}$  couplings
- Analysis based on  $6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  data triggered by the hadrons or photon
- BDT based selection against combinatorial background, small  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\eta$  residual background



# Measurement of the photon polarization in $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$



- Signal described by  $\frac{d\Gamma}{d \cos(\theta_p)} \propto 1 - \alpha_\Lambda \alpha_\gamma \cos(\theta_p)$  times acceptance function
- Use  $\Lambda$  decay parameter  $\alpha_\Lambda = 0.754 \pm 0.004$  from BESIII [Nature Phys. 15 (2019) 631]
- Background by a 4<sup>th</sup> order polynomial with coefficients determined from mass sidebands
- The photon polarization, with all systematic uncertainties  
 $\alpha_\gamma = 0.82 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.13$
- Charge separated as measure of CP violation  $\alpha_\gamma^- = 1.26 \pm 0.42 \pm 0.20$   
 $\alpha_\gamma^+ = -0.55 \pm 0.32 \pm 0.16$

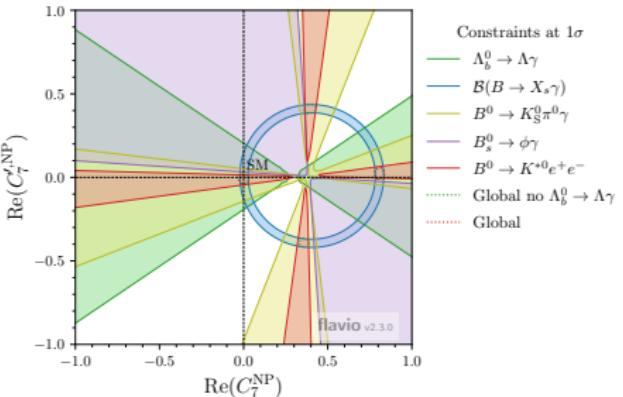
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- Confidence intervals using Feldman-Cousins method imposing physical limits

$$\alpha_\gamma^- > 0.56(0.44) \text{ at 90\% (95\%) CL}$$

$$\alpha_\gamma^+ = -0.56^{+0.36}_{-0.33}(\text{stat.})^{+0.16}_{-0.09}(\text{syst.}),$$

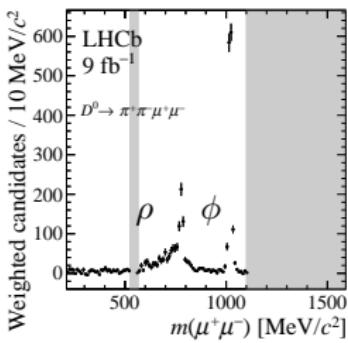
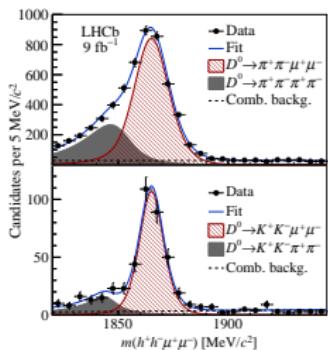
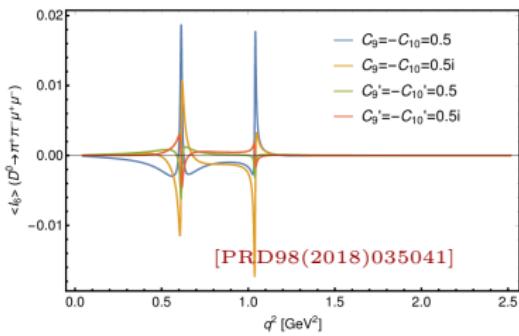
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- This represents the first measurement of the photon polarisation in  $b \rightarrow s\gamma$  decays
- Consistent with SM predictions and CP symmetry
- Constraints on Wilson coefficients with **FLAVIO** software
- Tightly constraining new  $C_7$  currents: solving two fold ambiguity with  $C_7'$  currents

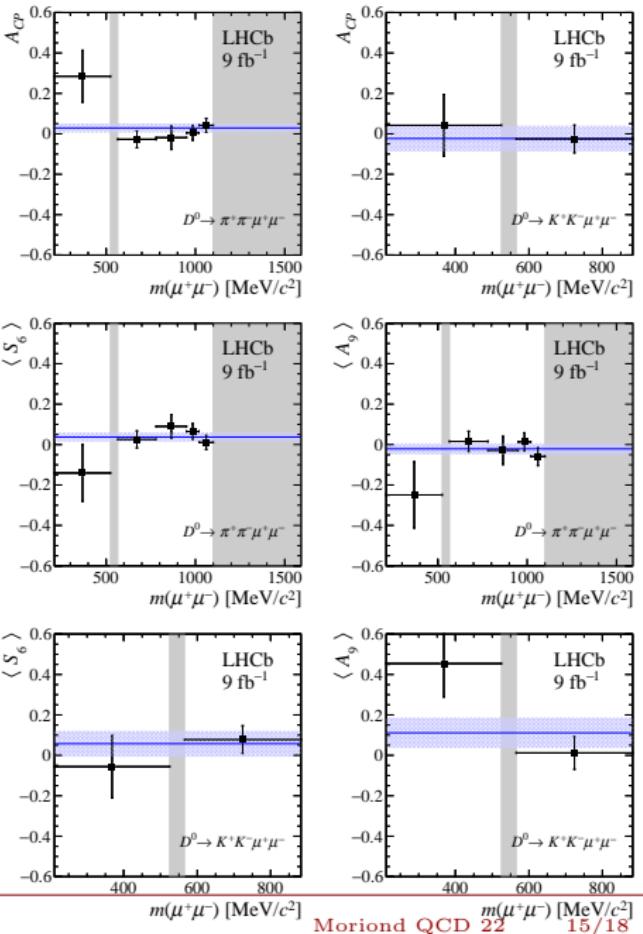
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- Full  $9\text{ fb}^{-1}$  statistics
- Regions dominated by resonances  $D^0 \rightarrow h^+h^-R$  used as SM null tests
- Differential rate expressed in terms of 9 angular coefficients  $I_i$
- Both flavour averages and CP asymmetries measured



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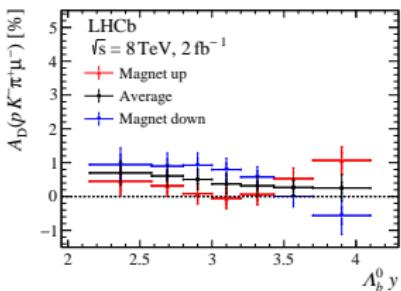
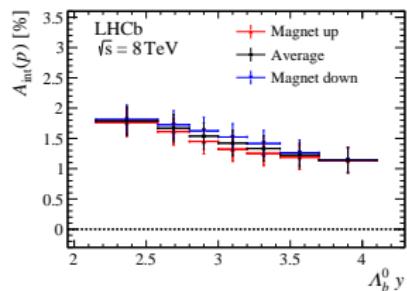
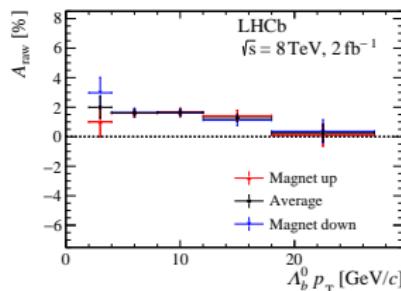
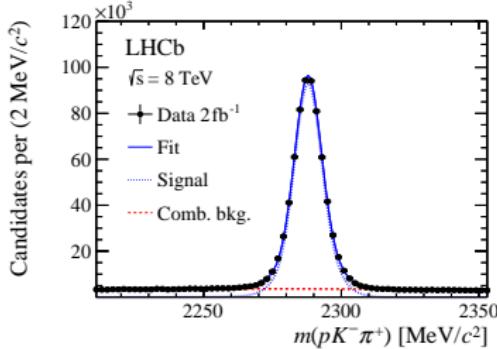
- First angular analysis of these very rare  $D$  decays
- The null test observables in agreement with SM at  $0.3\sigma$  and  $2.7\sigma$  for the  $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\mu^+\mu^-$  and  $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-\mu^+\mu^-$  decays
- All measurements are consistent with SM predictions (where present) and CP symmetry



- Production asymmetry fundamental for CP violation measurements
- Use semi-leptonic  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu X$  decays
- Measure asymmetry in  $3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of  $pp$  data at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  and 8 TeV, in  $y$  and  $p_T$  bins

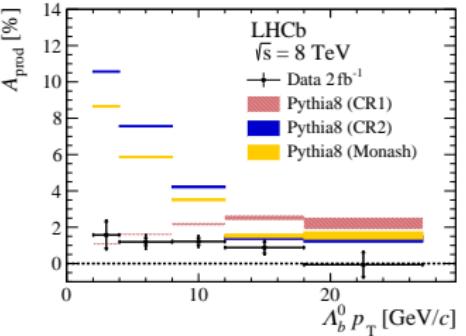
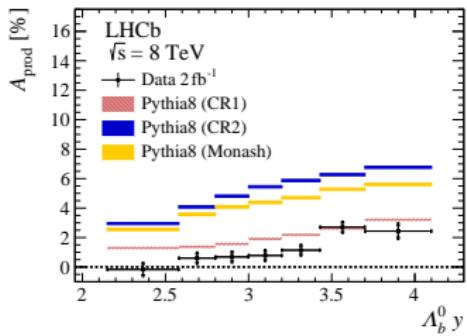
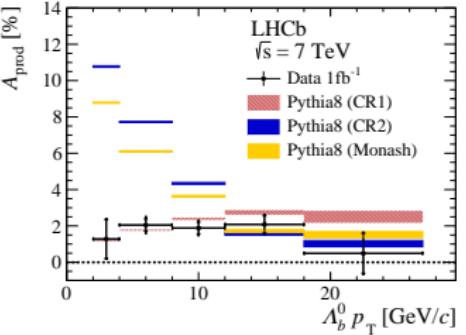
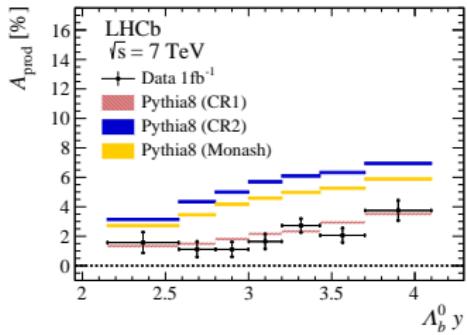
$$A_{\text{raw}} = A_{\text{Prod}} + A_{\text{det}} + A_{\text{int}} + A_{\text{PID}} + A_{\text{trig}}$$

- $A_{\text{int}}$  from external measurements and  $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi$  control channel
- $A_{\text{det}}$  canceled by swapping magnetic field
- $A_{\text{PID}}$  and  $A_{\text{trig}}$  calibrated from control channels in data
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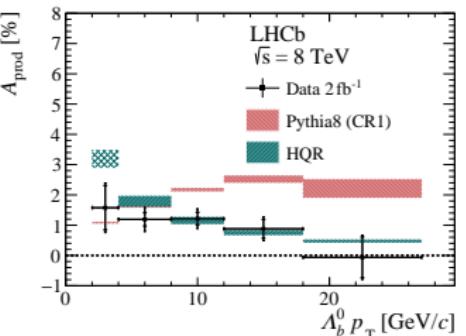
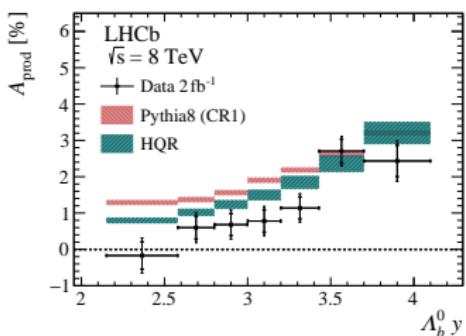
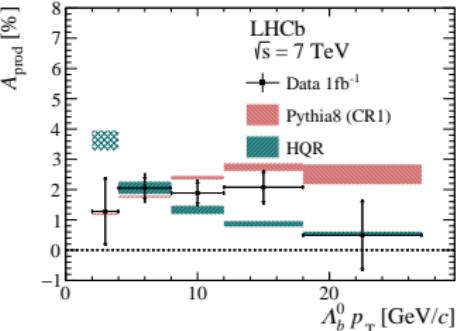
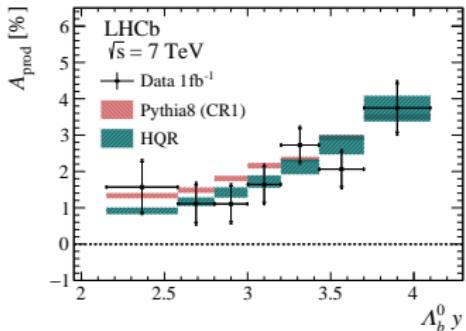
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## Summary and conclusion

Legacy analyses from LHCb Run1-2 are being produced

- $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- (\gamma)$  with world best single experiments results:
  - ★ first limit on  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$  decays
  - ★ Closing the phase space of (pseudo-)scalar or axial-vector new interactions
  - ★ looking forward to the full Run 1-2 analyses from ATLAS and CMS
- New  $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow p\bar{p}$  measurement
- Updated  $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-$  search
  - ★ First search for  $B \rightarrow aa$  with mass also around 1 GeV
  - ★ Strong constraints on all branching fractions
- Observation of photon polarisation in  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda \gamma$  decays
  - ★ Constraining new  $C_7$  couplings
- Observation of  $\Lambda_b^0$  production asymmetry fundamental for future CP violation studies
- Measurements with charm decays tighten the space for models not constrained by the  $B$

All of the very rare decays are statistically limited, and will be for some time  
Looking forward to the collected data in Run 3 with the upgraded LHCb detector!

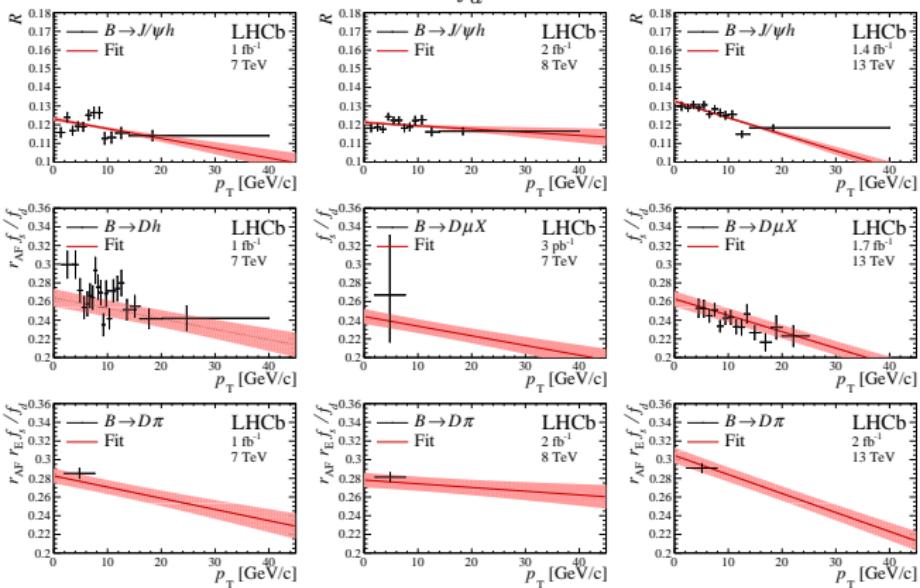
# Backup

# Combined measurement of hadronisation fraction

...and  $B_s^0$  branching fractions

Breaking the recursive problem: combine information of different measurements  
 Measure production ratios from ratio of decays with known rate (semileptonic) or  
 known rate ratios ( $B \rightarrow Dh$ ), and cross-check dependencies with decays of high rate  
 $(B \rightarrow J/\psi X)$ .

Recent LHCb combination  $\frac{f_s}{f_d}$  (13 TeV) =  $0.2539 \pm 0.0079$

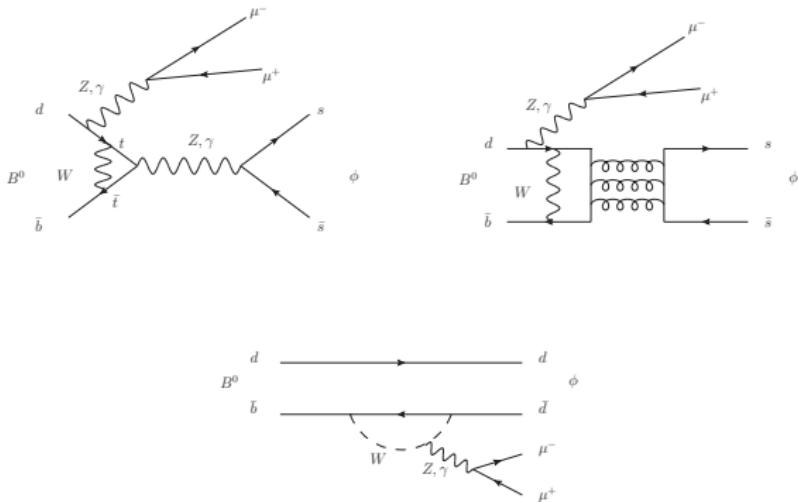


- ✓ Observed for the first time energy dependence
- ✓ Confirmed  $p_T$  dependence
- ✓ Precision improved by about a factor 2



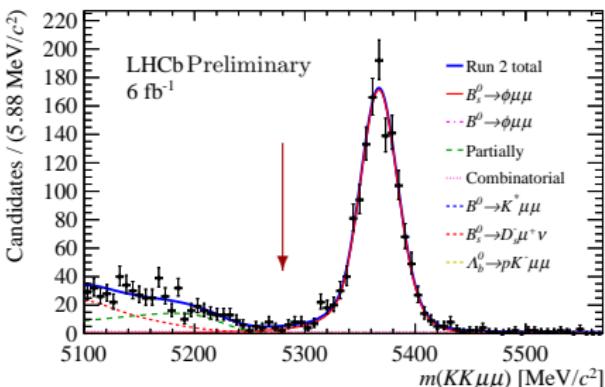
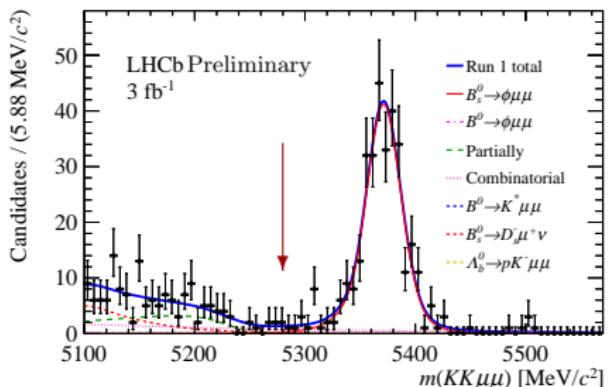
# Search for $B^0 \rightarrow \phi \mu^+ \mu^-$ decays

- Rare decay in the SM (penguin CKM / OZI suppressed)  $b \rightarrow d \mu^+ \mu^-$  FCNC
- Short distance  $\mathcal{B} \sim 10^{-12}$
- Including  $\omega - \phi$  mixing could raise at  $10^{-11} - 10^{-10}$  level
- New physics contributions such as  $Z'$  could enhance this



# Search for $B^0 \rightarrow \phi\mu^+\mu^-$ decays

- Normalised to  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi\mu^+\mu^-$  decays
- $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$  decays as control channel
- Main background:  $B^0 \rightarrow K^*\mu^+\mu^-$ ,  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-\mu^+\mu^-$



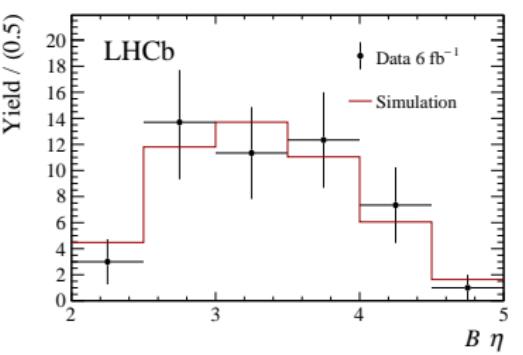
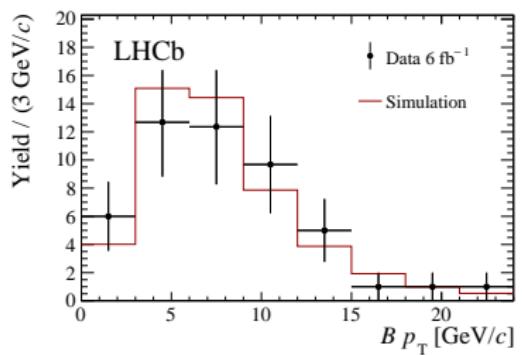
No excess over background expectation, upper limit

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \phi\mu^+\mu^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi\mu^+\mu^-)} < 4.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ at 90% CL .}$$

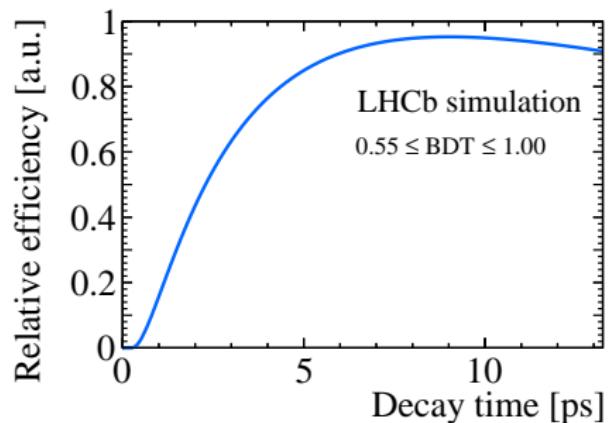
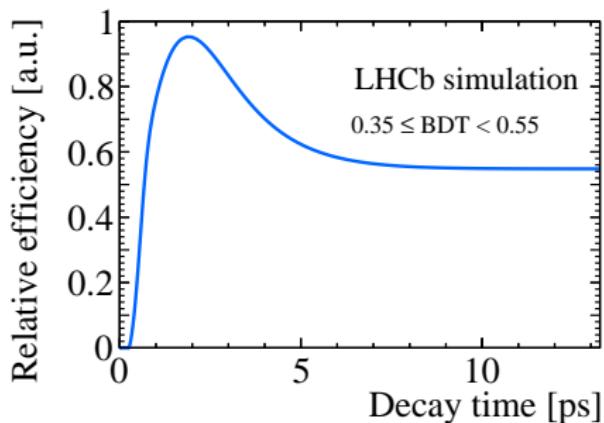
$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \phi\mu^+\mu^-) < 2.3(3.2) \times 10^{-9} \text{ at 90% CL .}$$

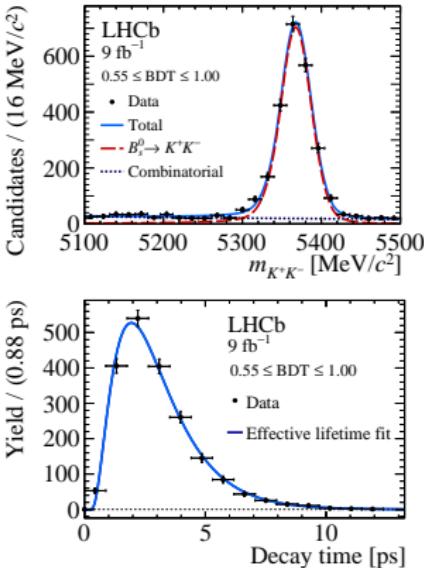
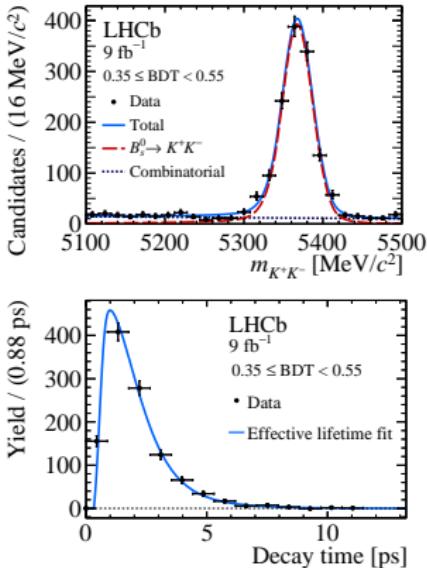
excluding  $\phi$  and charmonia dimuon regions (extrapolating to full  $q^2$ )

# Distributions of $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ decays kinematics in data



# Decay time acceptance for $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ decays



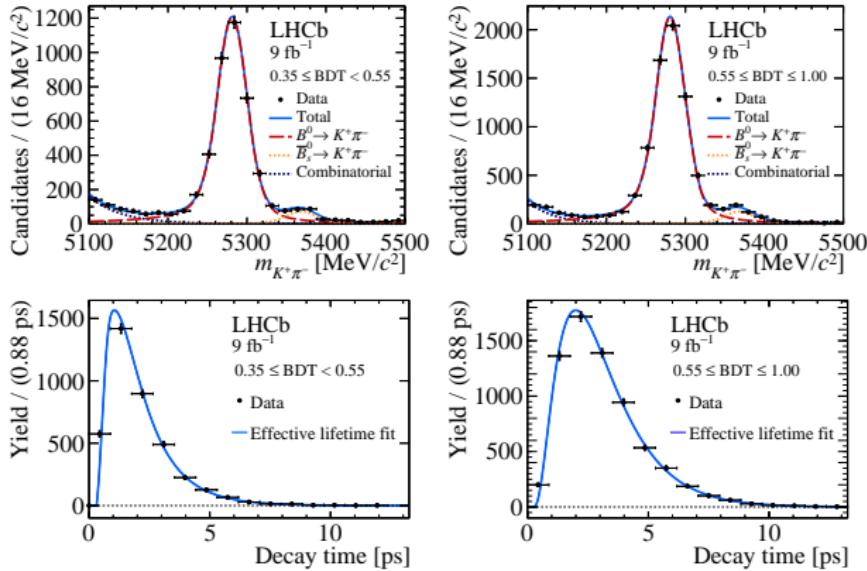


Measurement (stat only)

$$\tau_{B_s^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-} = 1.435 \pm 0.026 \text{ ps}$$

In agreement with published

$$\tau_{B_s^0 \rightarrow K^+ K^-} = 1.407 \pm 0.016 \text{ ps}$$



Measurement (stat only)

$$\tau_{B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-} = 1.510 \pm 0.015 \text{ ps}$$

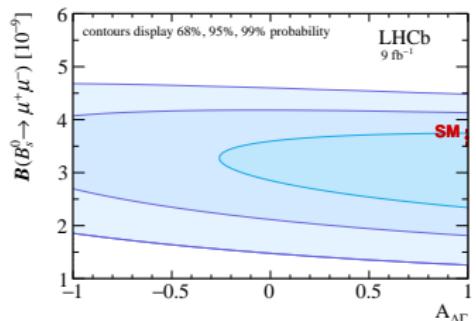
In agreement with published

$$\tau_{B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-} = 1.524 \pm 0.011 \text{ ps}$$

The branching fraction measurement is affected by the effective lifetime, through the efficiency \*

→ Hence there is a correlation between the two measurements

Both are thus sensitive to  $A_{\Delta\Gamma}$

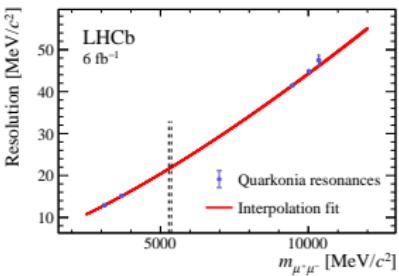
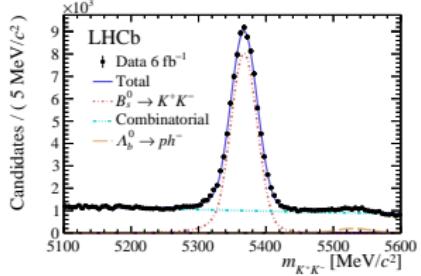
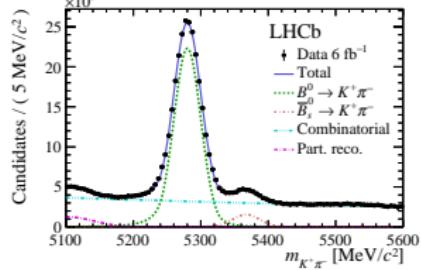
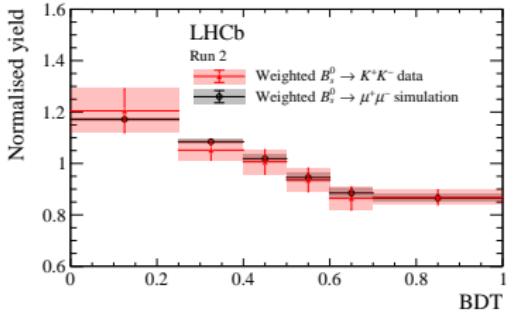
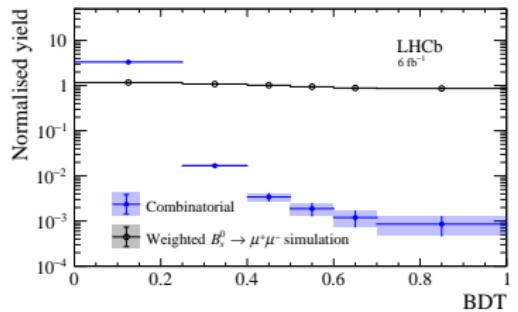


\* See e.g. [F.D. Guadagnoli, Phys.Lett.B 784 (2018) 96-100]

# Calibration

Search in mass distribution in bins of multivariate discriminant (BDT)

- BDT shape calibrated from simulation and  $B \rightarrow h^+ h^-$  in data
- Mass shape calibrated from quarkonia and  $B \rightarrow h^+ h^-$  in data



## 1. Branching fraction

$$\mathcal{B}^{t=0}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = \frac{G_F^4 M_W^4}{\pi^2} \tau_{B_s^0} f_{B_s}^2 m_{B_s}^3 \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\mu^2}{m_{B_s}^2}} |V_{tb} V_{ts}^*|^2 \left( \left| 2 \frac{m_\mu}{m_{B_s}} (\text{C}_{10} - C'_{10}) + C_P - C'_P \right|^2 + |C_S - C'_S|^2 \right)$$

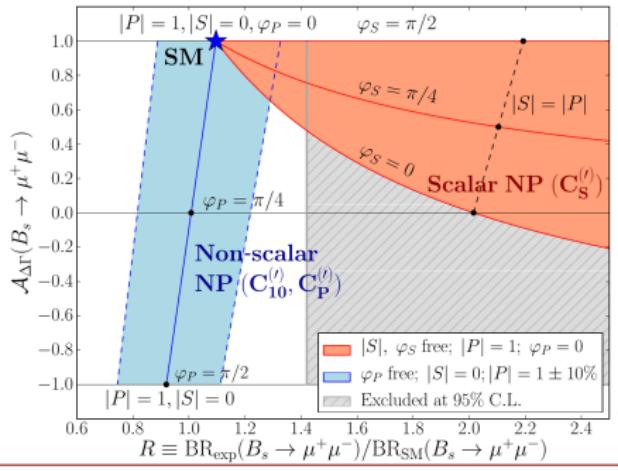
## 2. Ratio of branching fractions

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)} = \frac{\tau_{B_d}}{\tau_{B_s}} \left( \frac{f_{B_d}}{f_{B_s}} \right)^2 \left| \frac{V_{td}}{V_{ts}} \right|^2 \frac{m_{B_d} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\mu^2}{m_{B_d}^2}}}{m_{B_s} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\mu^2}{m_{B_s}^2}}}$$

## 3. Effective lifetime

$B_s^0$  mesons oscillate and mix into their mass eigenstates, the effective lifetime depends on which eigenstate decays to  $\mu^+ \mu^-$

$$\tau_{\mu\mu} = \frac{\tau_{B_s}}{(1 - y_s^2)} \frac{1 + 2y_s \mathcal{A}_{\Delta\Gamma} + y_s^2}{1 + y_s \mathcal{A}_{\Delta\Gamma}}$$

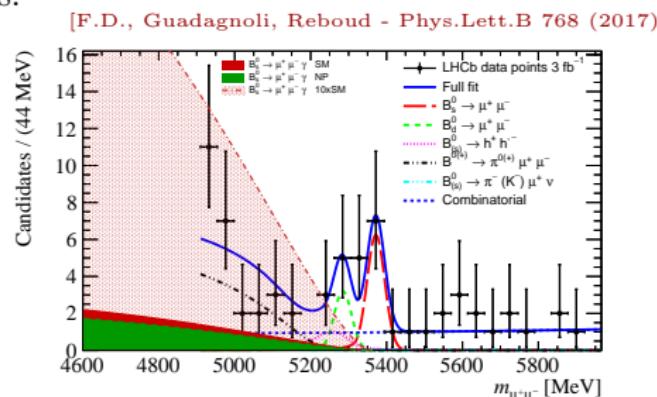
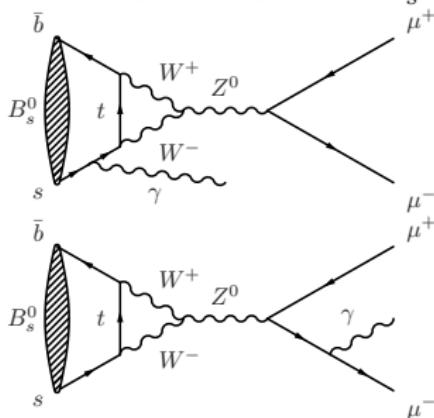


# $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$ as an additional observable

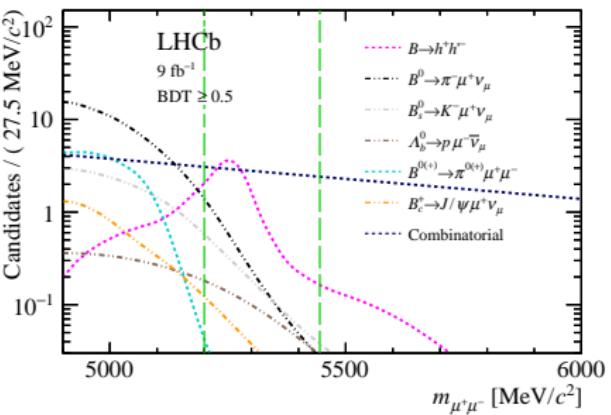
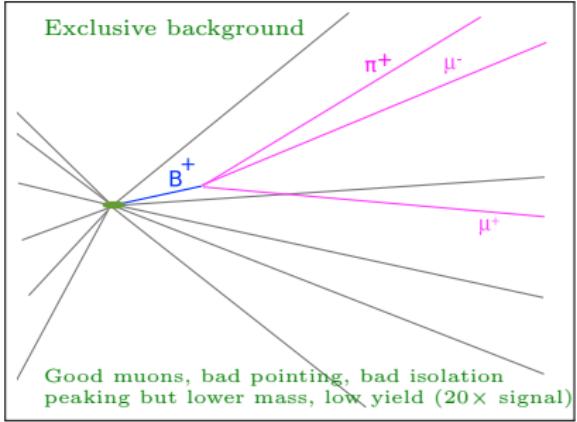
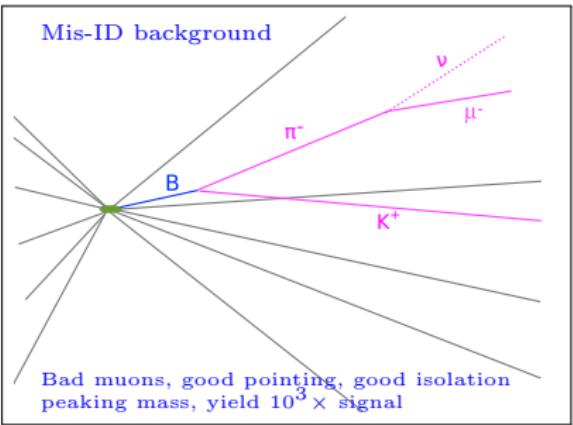
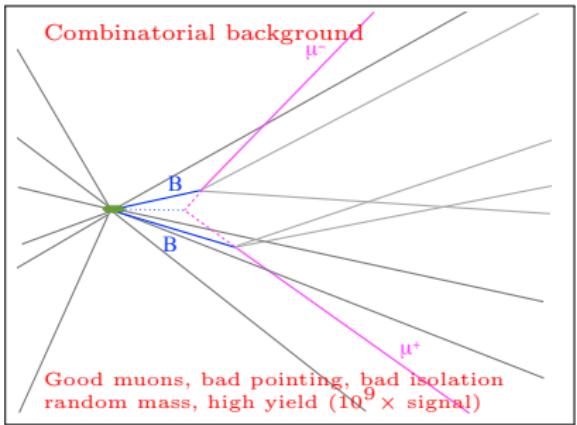
The radiative  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$  decay is very interesting:

- Not helicity suppressed - as rare as  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$
- Sensitive to vector couplings ( $C_9$ ) (not just scalar or axial-vector)
- Can be split in initial (ISR) and final state radiation (FSR - bremsstrahlung)

**New method:** measure the  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- \gamma$  rate without photon reconstruction from the left sideband of the  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  analysis.



# Backgrounds



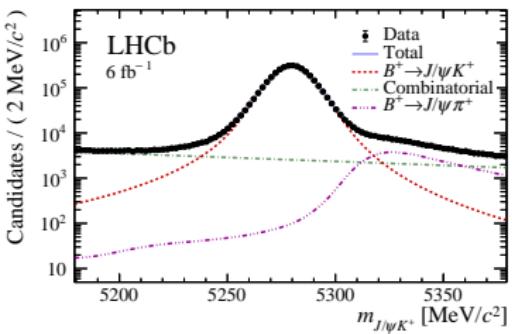
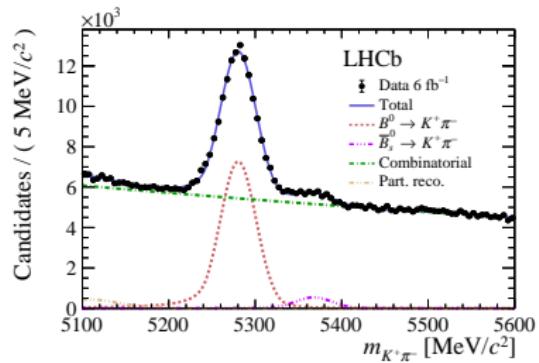
# Normalisation

Convert yields to branching fractions by normalising to channels of known rate

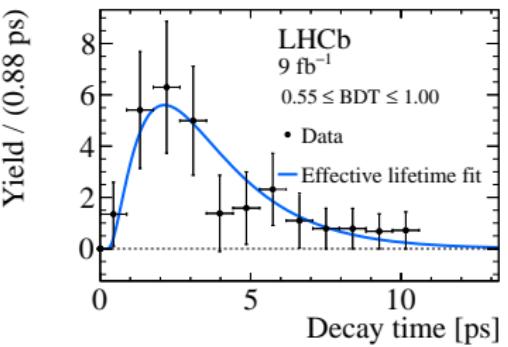
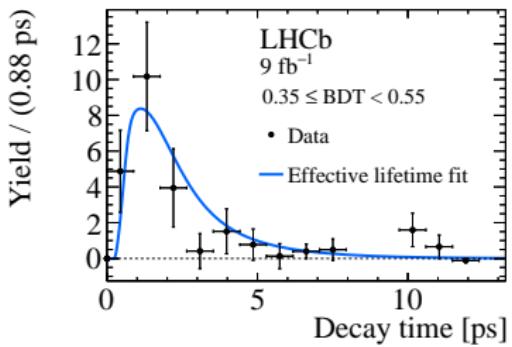
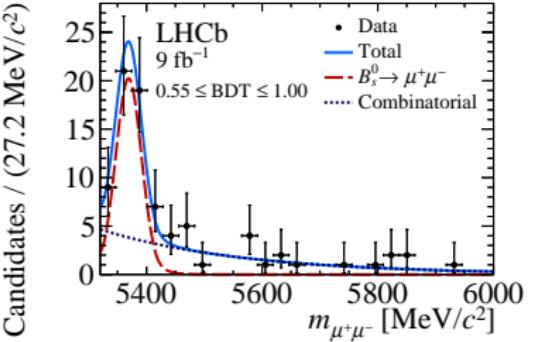
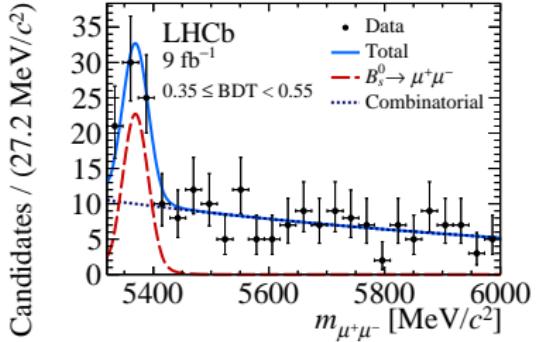
$$\mathcal{B}(B_{d,s}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = \underbrace{\frac{f_{\text{norm}}}{f_{\text{sig}}}}_{\text{Hadronisation fractions}} \underbrace{\frac{\varepsilon_{\text{norm}}}{\varepsilon_{\text{sig}}}}_{\text{Efficiencies}} \underbrace{\frac{N_{\text{sig}}}{N_{\text{norm}}}}_{\text{Yields}} \mathcal{B}(\text{norm}) = \underbrace{\alpha_{\text{sig}}}_{\text{Single event sensitivity}} N_{\text{sig}}$$

Use two channels

- $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$  - same trigger & PID as signal
- $B^0 \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$  - same topology of signal



# Measurement of the effective lifetime



$$\tau_{\text{eff}}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = 2.07 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.03 \text{ ps}$$

Consistent at  $1.5\sigma$  and  $2.2\sigma$  with the heavy and light  $B_s^0$  eigenstates lifetimes  
 $(\tau_L = 1.423 \pm 0.005 \text{ ps}$  and  $\tau_H = 1.620 \pm 0.007 \text{ ps})$

# The $B_{d,s}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ decays

Extremely rare decays

- Flavour changing neutral currents
- Helicity suppressed

Most recent Standard Model predictions

$$B(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.66 \pm 0.14) \times 10^{-9}$$

$$B(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (1.03 \pm 0.05) \times 10^{-10}$$

[Beneke, Bobeth, Szafron, JHEP10(2019) 232]

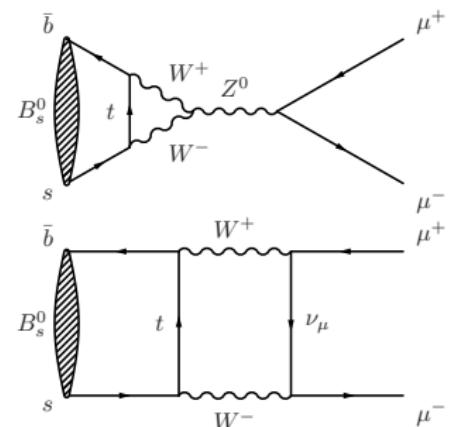
- Impressively precise predictions
- Any significant deviations from these values is sign of new interactions beyond the SM
- Dominated by parametric uncertainties

Using the correlation of  $\Delta F = 1$  rare decays with  $\Delta F = 2$  B mixing, using experimental  $\Delta M$  values can also be predicted to be:

$$B(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.62^{+0.15}_{-0.10}) \times 10^{-9}$$

$$B(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (0.99^{+0.05}_{-0.03}) \times 10^{-10}$$

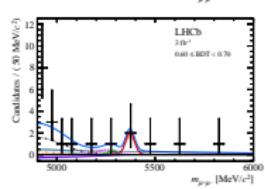
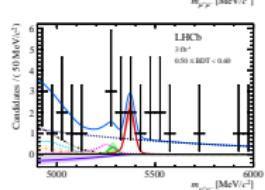
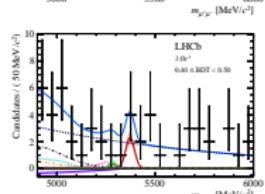
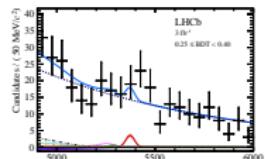
[Buras, Venturini -2109.11032]



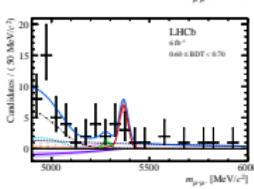
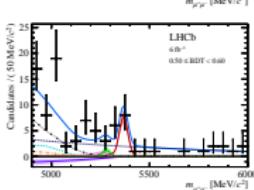
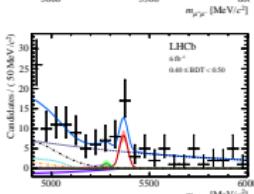
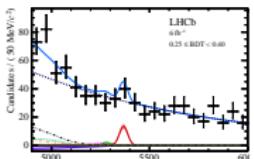
# $B_{d,s}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ analysis with full statistics

## Final invariant mass fit

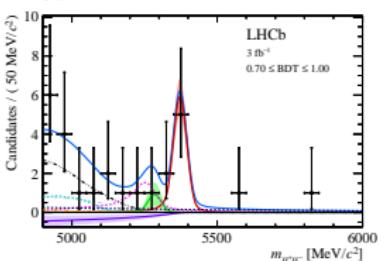
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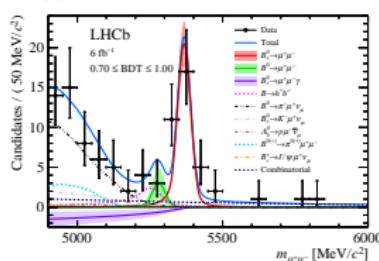
Run 2



Run 1



Run 2



- Simultaneous fit in 10 bins  
2 datasets (Run 1, 2)  $\times$  5 BDT bins
- External constraints on yield and shape of misidentified backgrounds
- Combinatorial background free
- Signal shapes calibrated and constrained
- All systematic uncertainties directly propagated