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Prospectives for heavy-ion physics at LHCb in LHC Run 3-Run 4

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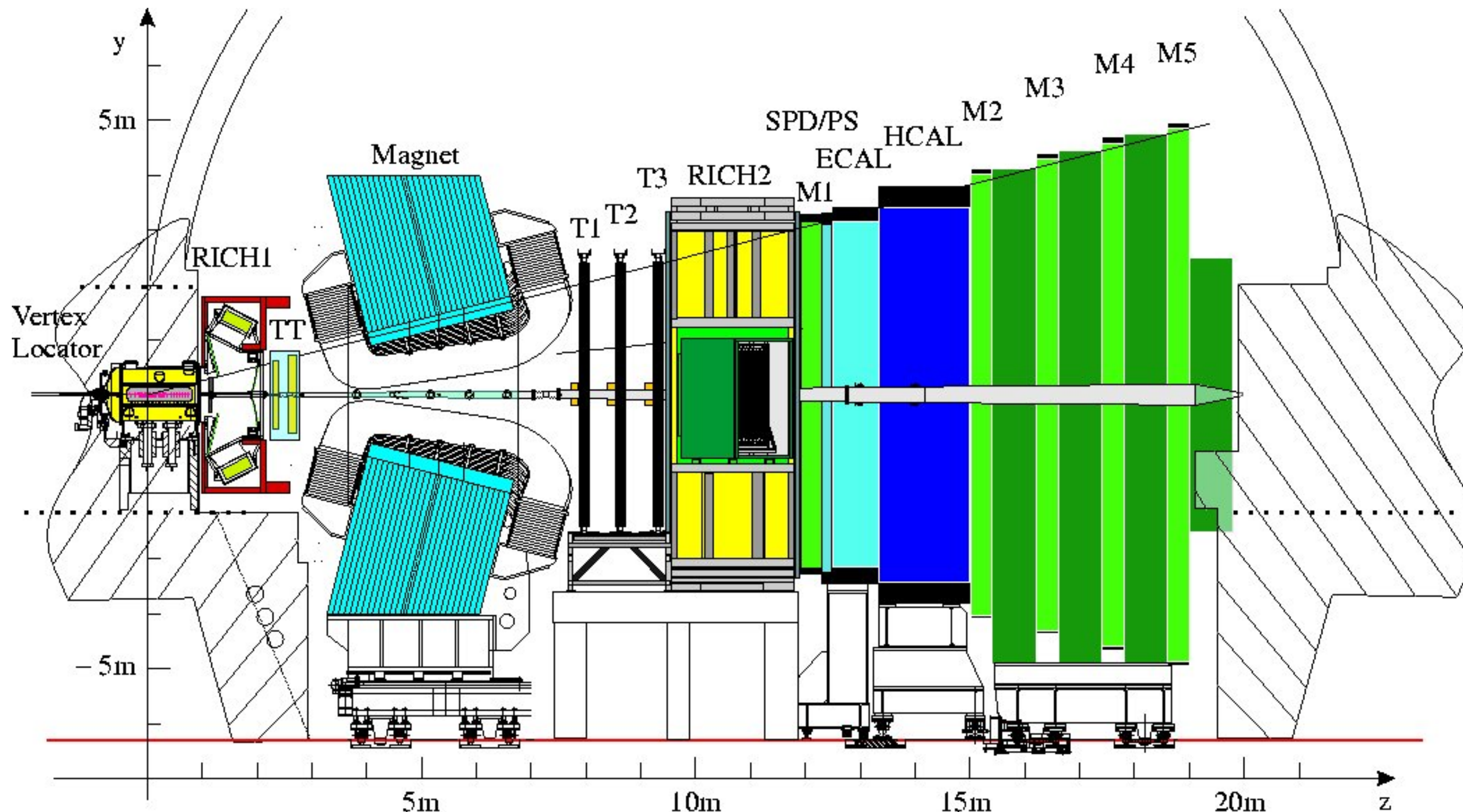


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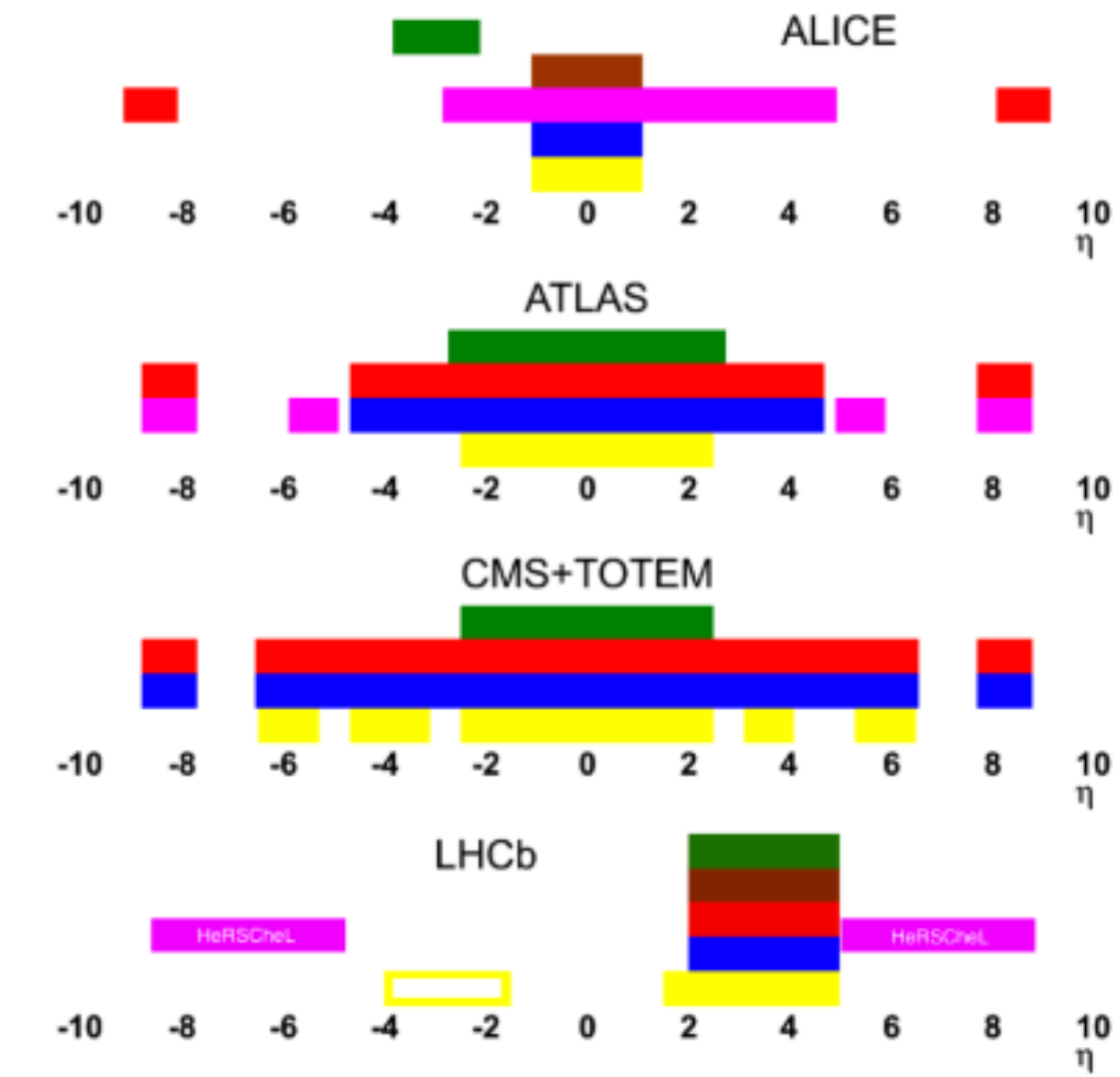
The LHCb detector

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LHCb : **single arm spectrometer** fully instrumented in pseudo-rapidity range $2 < \eta < 5$



- hadron PID
- muon system
- lumi counters
- HCAL
- ECAL
- tracking

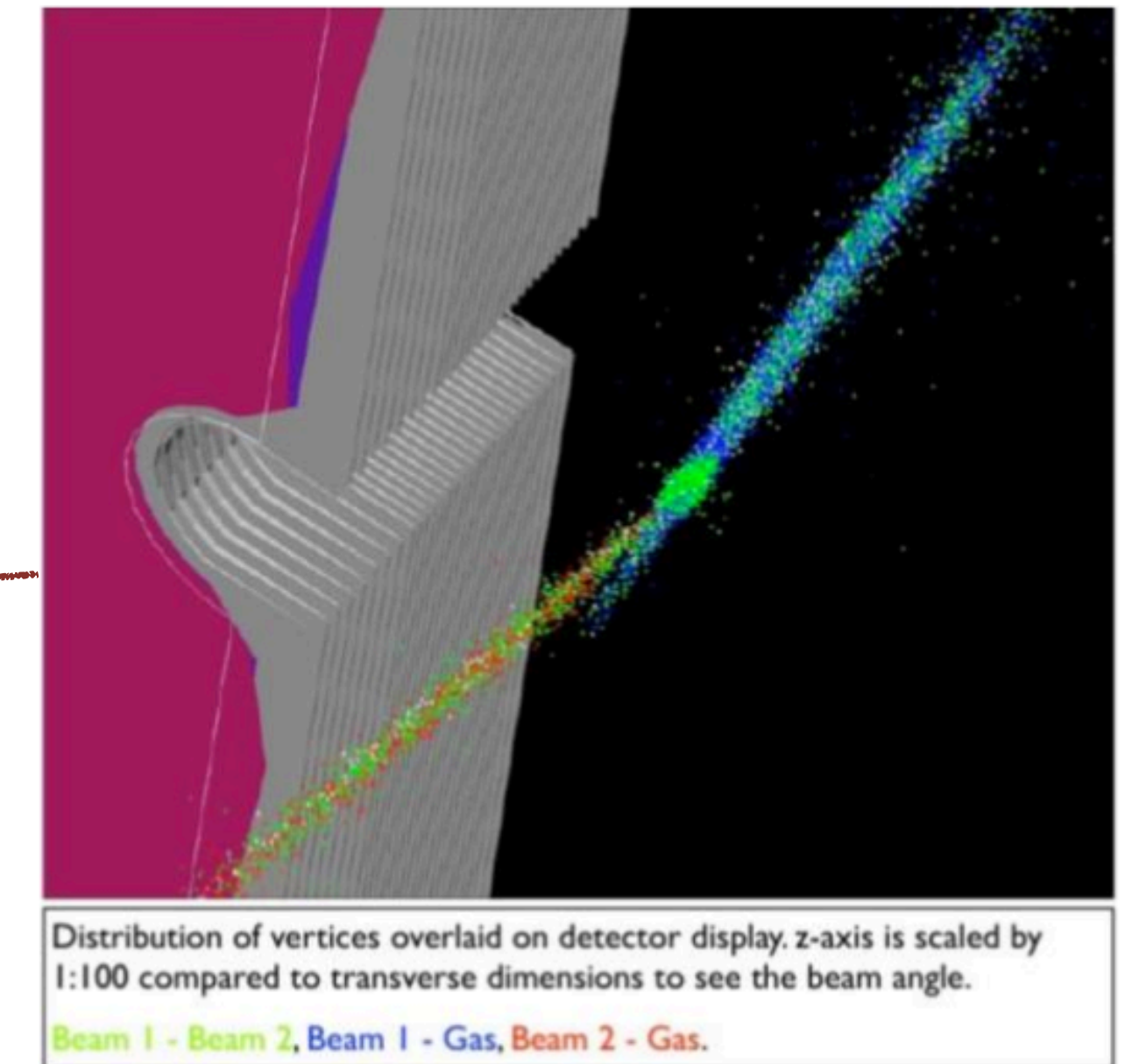
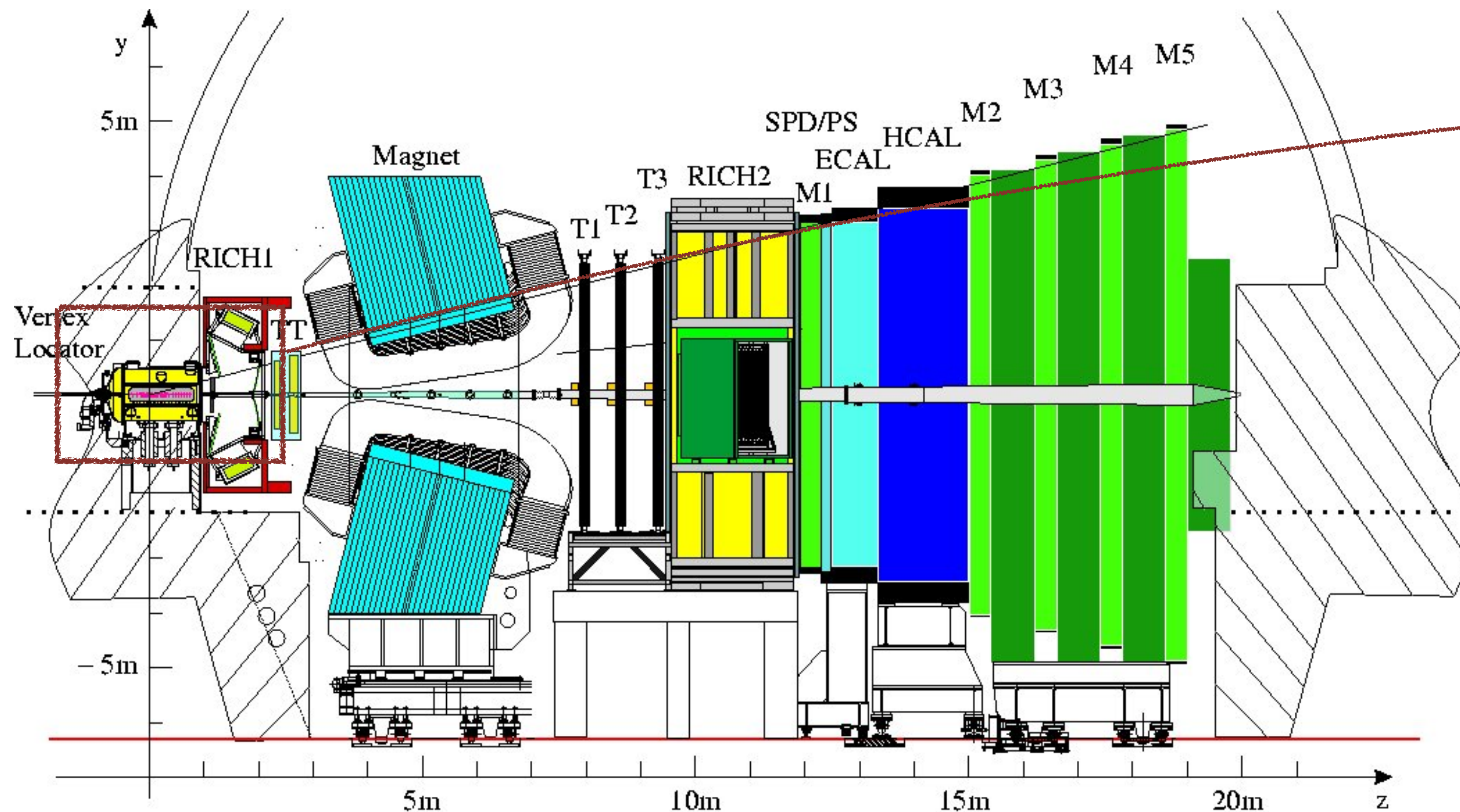


- ❖ Track reconstruction **down to $p_T = 0$** .
- ❖ Excellent **p_T and mass resolution**.
- ❖ Excellent **particle identification**.
- ❖ Precision **vertex reconstruction**.

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Can operate both in pp/pPb/PbPb and fixed-target !



Fixed-target mode: **unique at LHC !**

- Injecting gas in the LHCb Vertex Locator (VELO) tank.
- **Noble gas only** : He, Ne, Ar
- Gas pressure : 10^{-7} to 10^{-6} mbar.

List of publications

Published papers

Conference notes

TITLE	DOCUMENT NUMBER	JOURNAL	SUBMITTED ON	CITED
Measurement of B^+ , B^0 and Λ_b^0 production in p Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$ TeV	PAPER-2018-048 arXiv:1902.05599 [PDF]	Phys. Rev. D99 052011 (2019)	14 Feb 2019	12 [plot]
First measurement of charm production in fixed-target configuration at the LHC	PAPER-2018-023 arXiv:1810.07907 [PDF]	Phys. Rev. Lett. 122 (2019) 132002	18 Oct 2018	27 [plot]
Study of Υ production in p Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$ TeV	PAPER-2018-035 arXiv:1810.07655 [PDF]	JHEP 11 (2018) 194	17 Oct 2018	16 [plot]
Prompt Λ_c^+ production in p Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV	PAPER-2018-021 arXiv:1809.01404 [PDF]	JHEP 02 (2019) 102	05 Sep 2018	27 [plot]
Measurement of antiproton production in pHe collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 110$ GeV	PAPER-2018-031 arXiv:1808.06127 [PDF]	Phys. Rev. Lett. 121 (2018) 222001	18 Aug 2018	32 [plot]
Study of prompt D^0 meson production in pPb collisions at $\sqrt{s}=5$ TeV	PAPER-2017-015 arXiv:1707.02750 [PDF]	JHEP 10 (2017) 090	10 Jul 2017	59 [plot]
Prompt and nonprompt J/ψ production and nuclear modification in p Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$ TeV	PAPER-2017-014 arXiv:1706.07122 [PDF]	Phys. Lett. B774 (2017) 159	21 Jun 2017	43 [plot]
Study of $\psi(2S)$ production and cold nuclear matter effects in p Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV	PAPER-2015-058 arXiv:1601.07878 [PDF]	JHEP 03 (2016) 133	28 Jan 2016	43 [plot]
Measurements of long-range near-side angular correlations in $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV proton-lead collisions in the forward region	PAPER-2015-040 arXiv:1512.00439 [PDF]	Phys. Lett. B762 (2016) 473	01 Dec 2015	66 [plot]
Observation of Z production in proton-lead collisions at LHCb	PAPER-2014-022 arXiv:1406.2885 [PDF]	JHEP 09 (2014) 030	11 Jun 2014	45 [plot]
Study of Υ production and cold nuclear matter effects in pPb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV	PAPER-2014-015 arXiv:1405.5152 [PDF]	JHEP 07 (2014) 094	20 May 2014	72 [plot]
Study of J/ψ production and cold nuclear matter effects in p Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV	PAPER-2013-052 arXiv:1308.6729 [PDF]	JHEP 02 (2014) 72	30 Aug 2013	159 [plot]

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Multiplicity-dependent modification of χ_{c1} (3872) and $\psi(2S)$ production in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s}=8$ TeV	CONF-2019-005	14 Nov 2019	
Study of prompt D^0 meson production in p Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$ TeV at LHCb	CONF-2019-004	12 Nov 2019	
Measurement of Z production cross-sections in proton-lead collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$ TeV	CONF-2019-003	12 Nov 2019	
LHCb projections for proton-lead collisions during LHC Runs 3 and 4	CONF-2018-005	22 Nov 2018	1
Study of coherent J/ψ production in lead-lead collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5$ TeV with the LHCb experiment	CONF-2018-003	25 May 2018	16 [plot]
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<u>LHCb dimuon and charm mass distributions</u>	CONF-2016-005	19 Jul 2016	2 [plot]
Reference pp cross-sections for $\Upsilon(1S)$ studies in proton-lead collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV and comparisons between ALICE and LHCb results	CONF-2014-003	08 Aug 2014	5 [plot]
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First analysis of the p Pb pilot run data with LHCb	CONF-2012-034	03 Dec 2012	8 [plot]

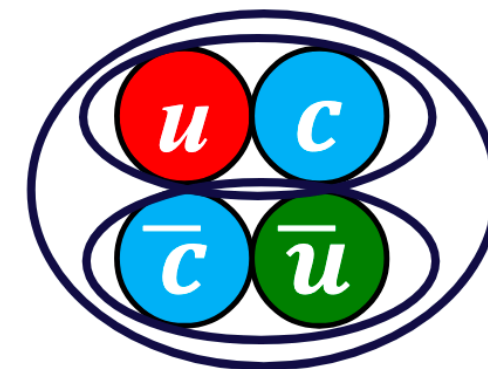
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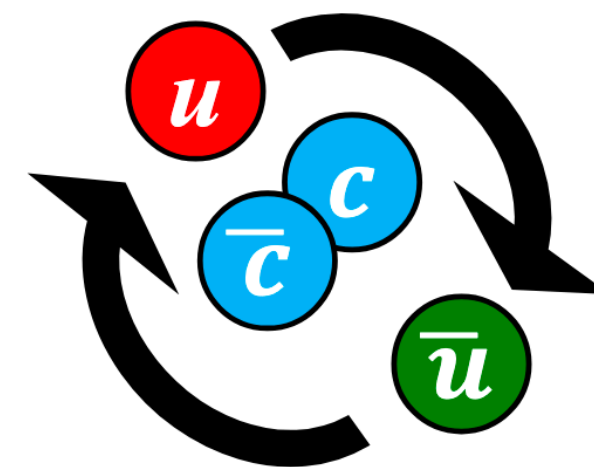
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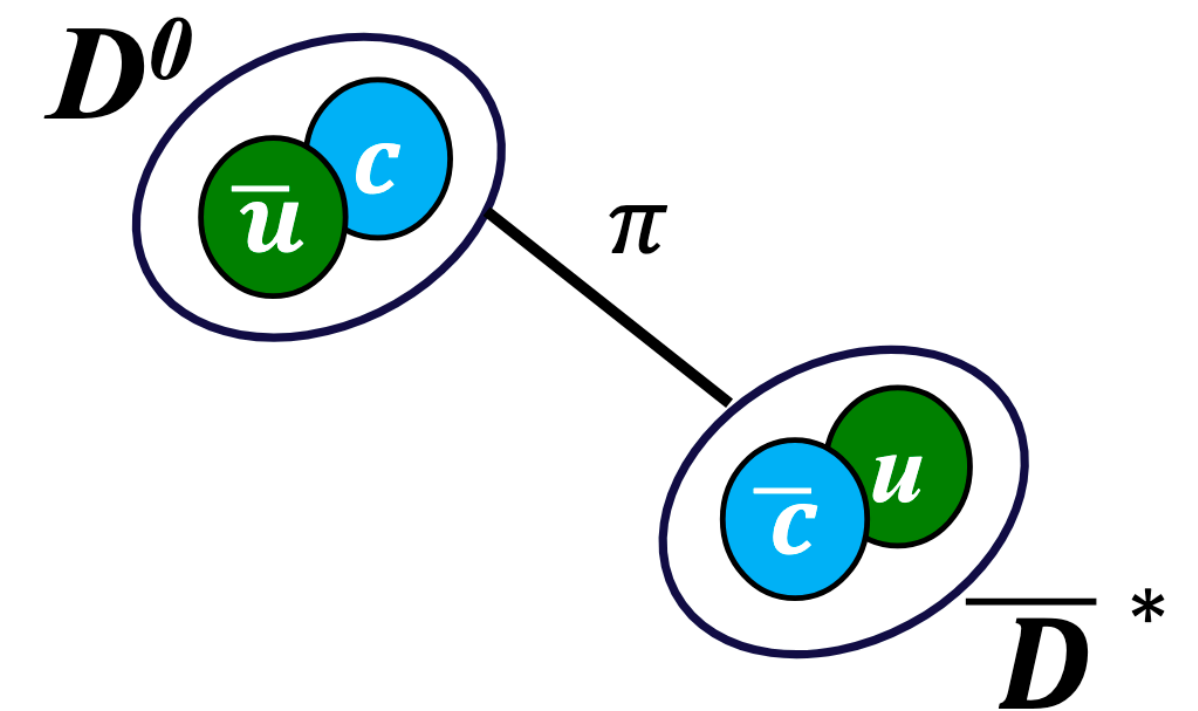
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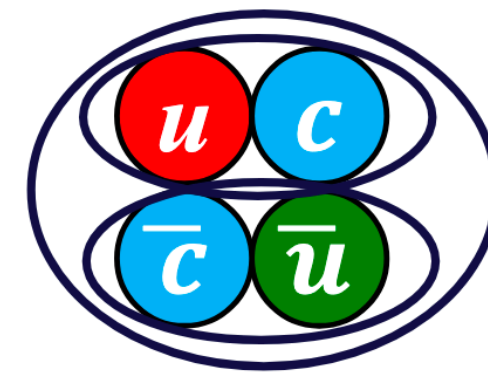
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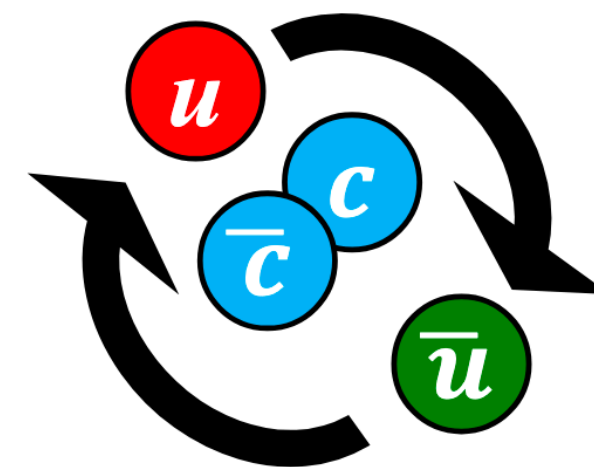
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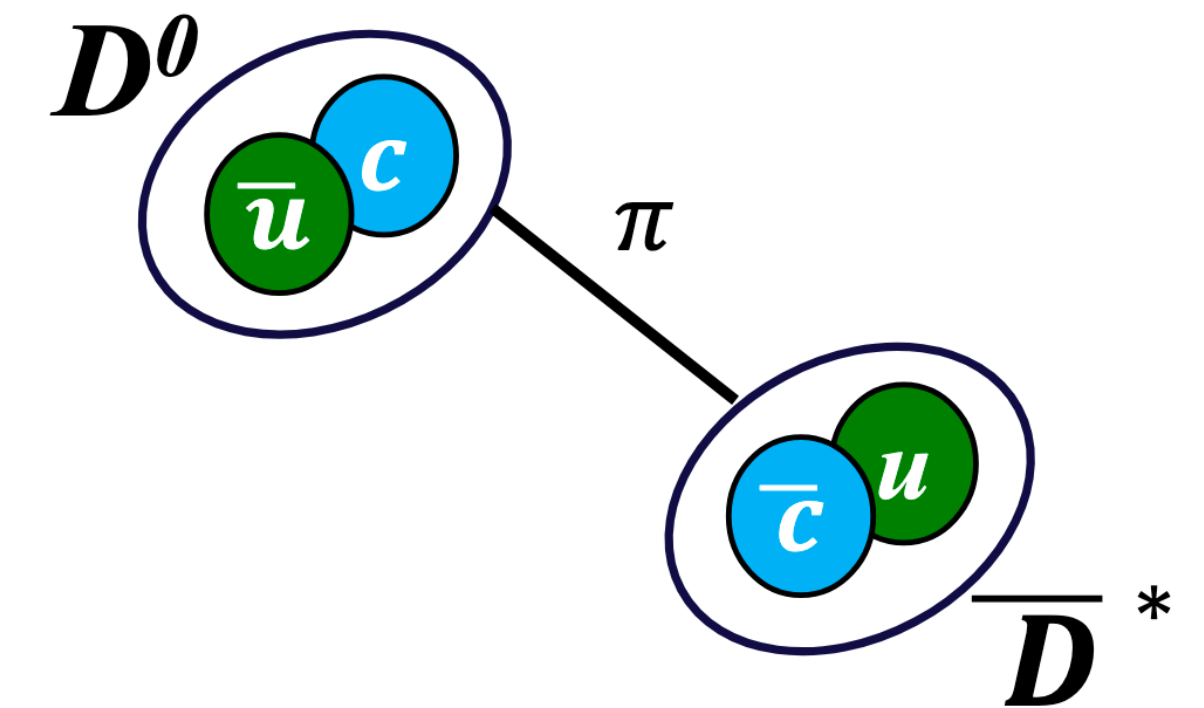
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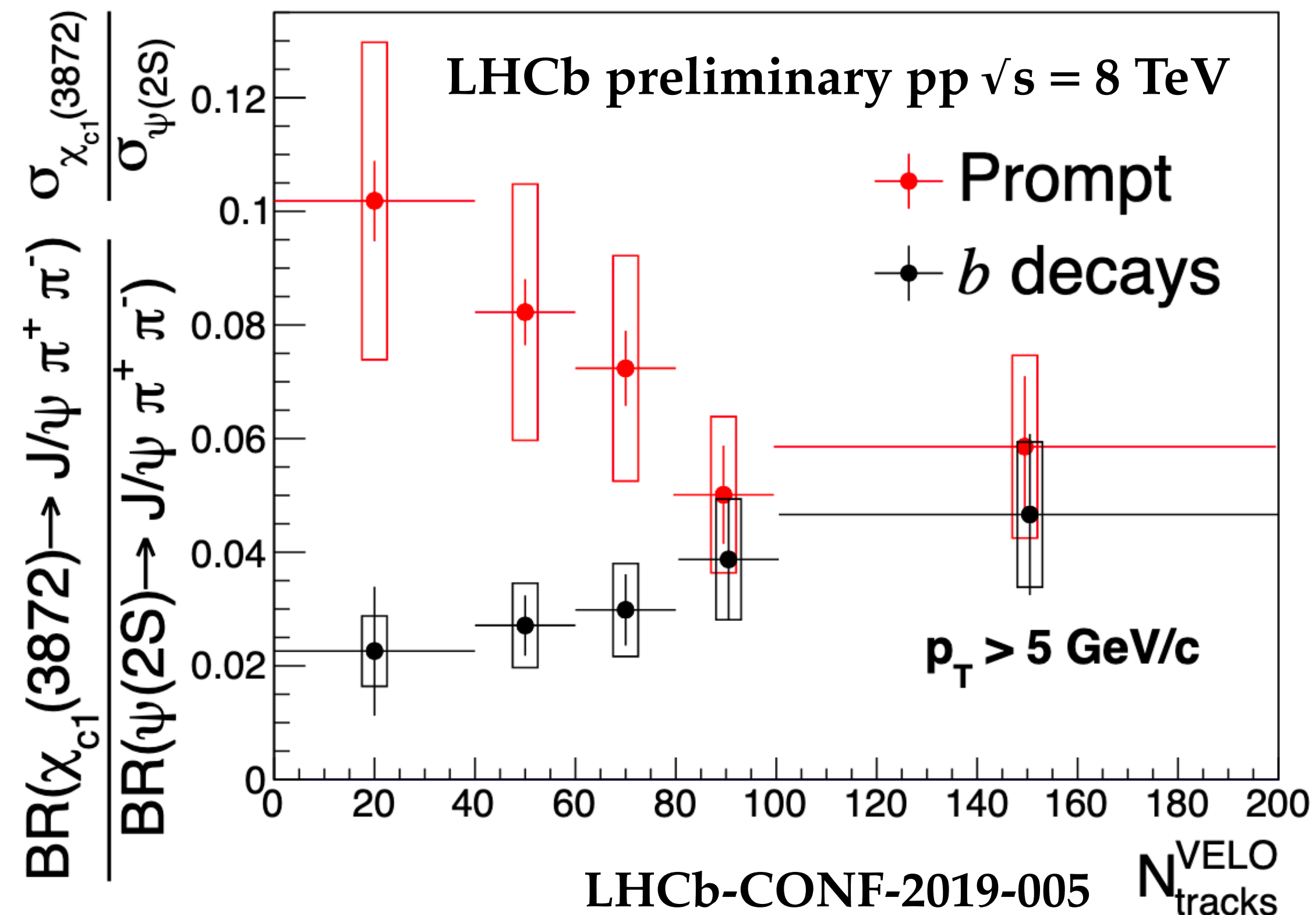
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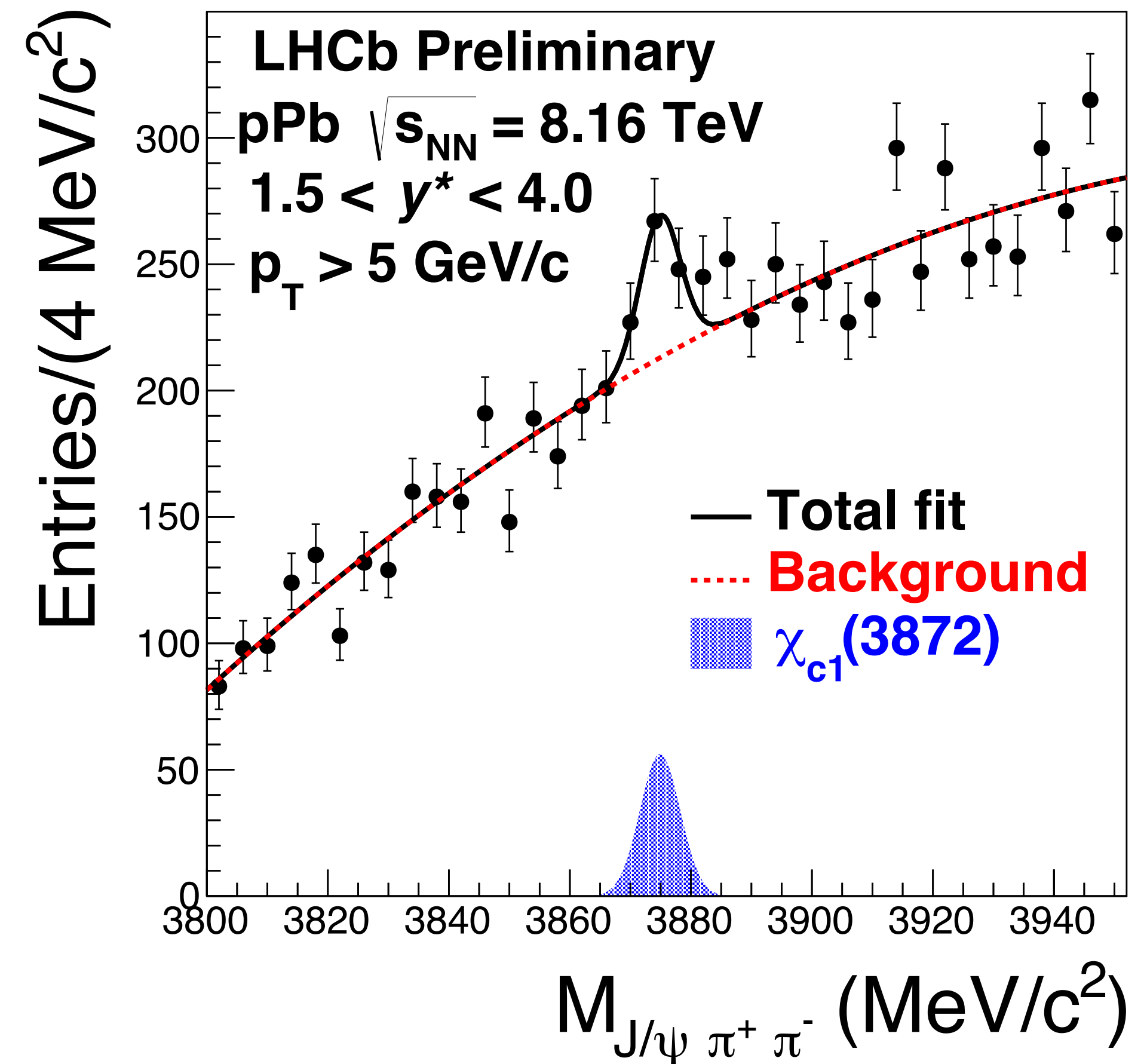
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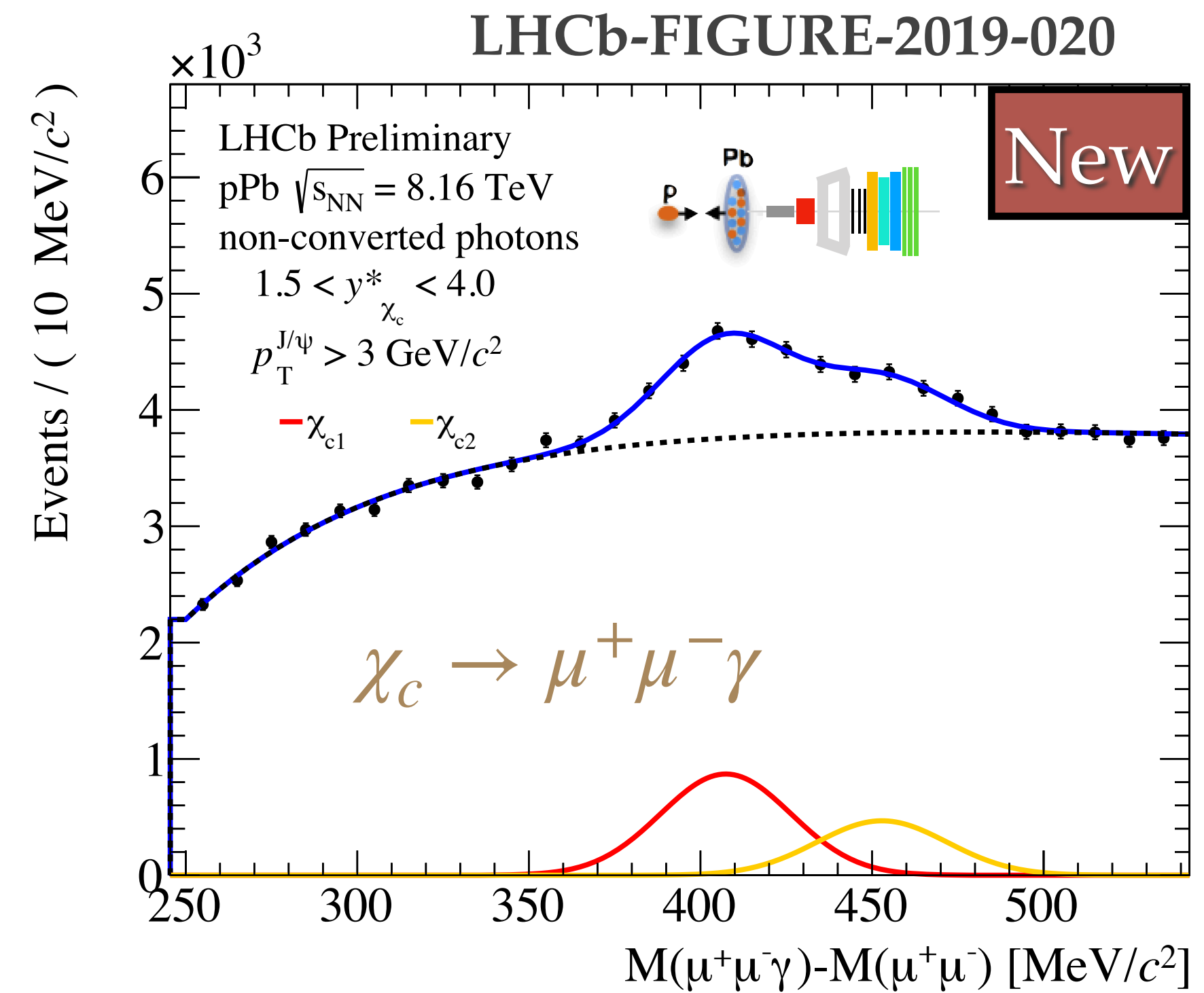
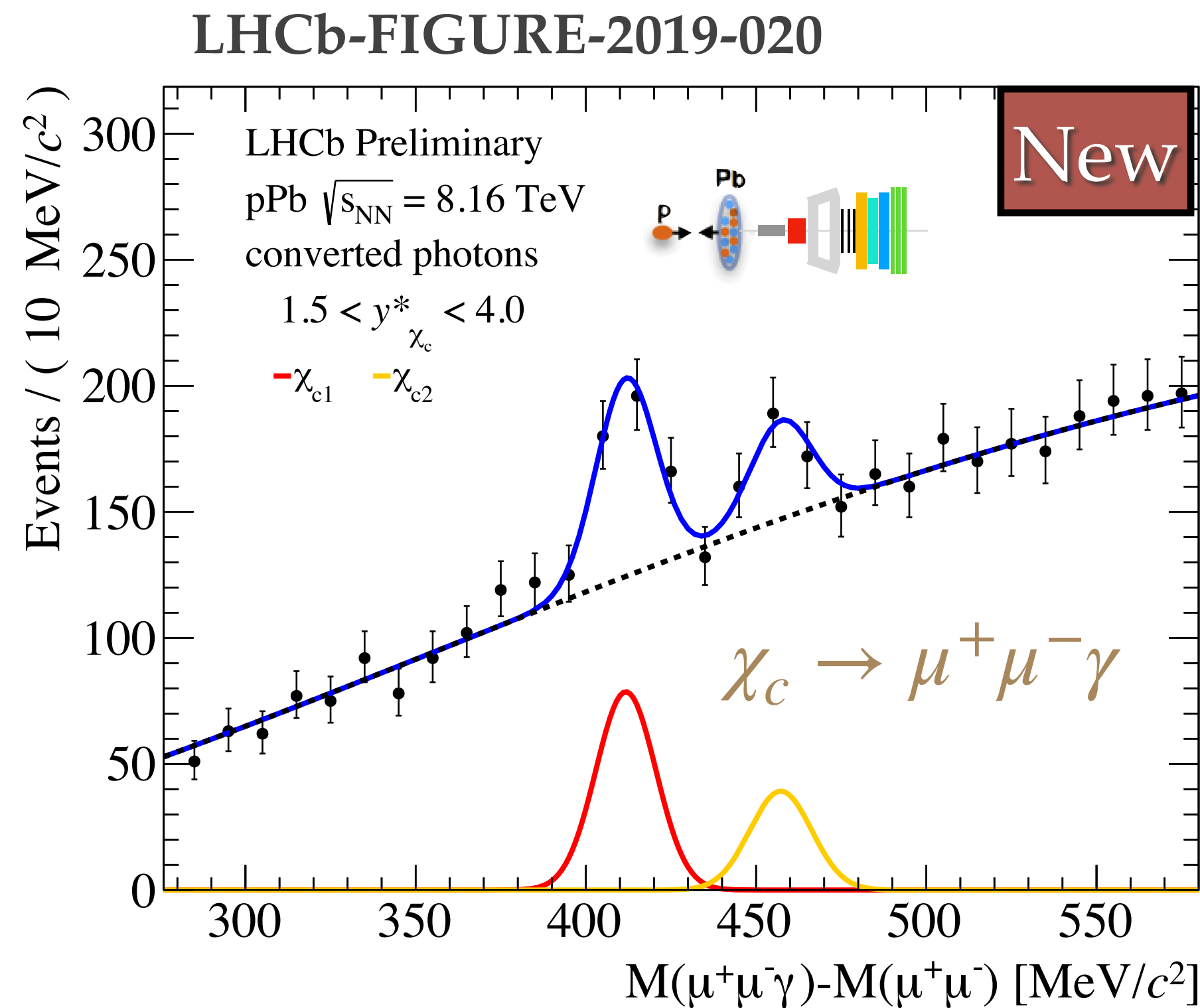


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- ❖ **Baseline for a future pPb analysis !**



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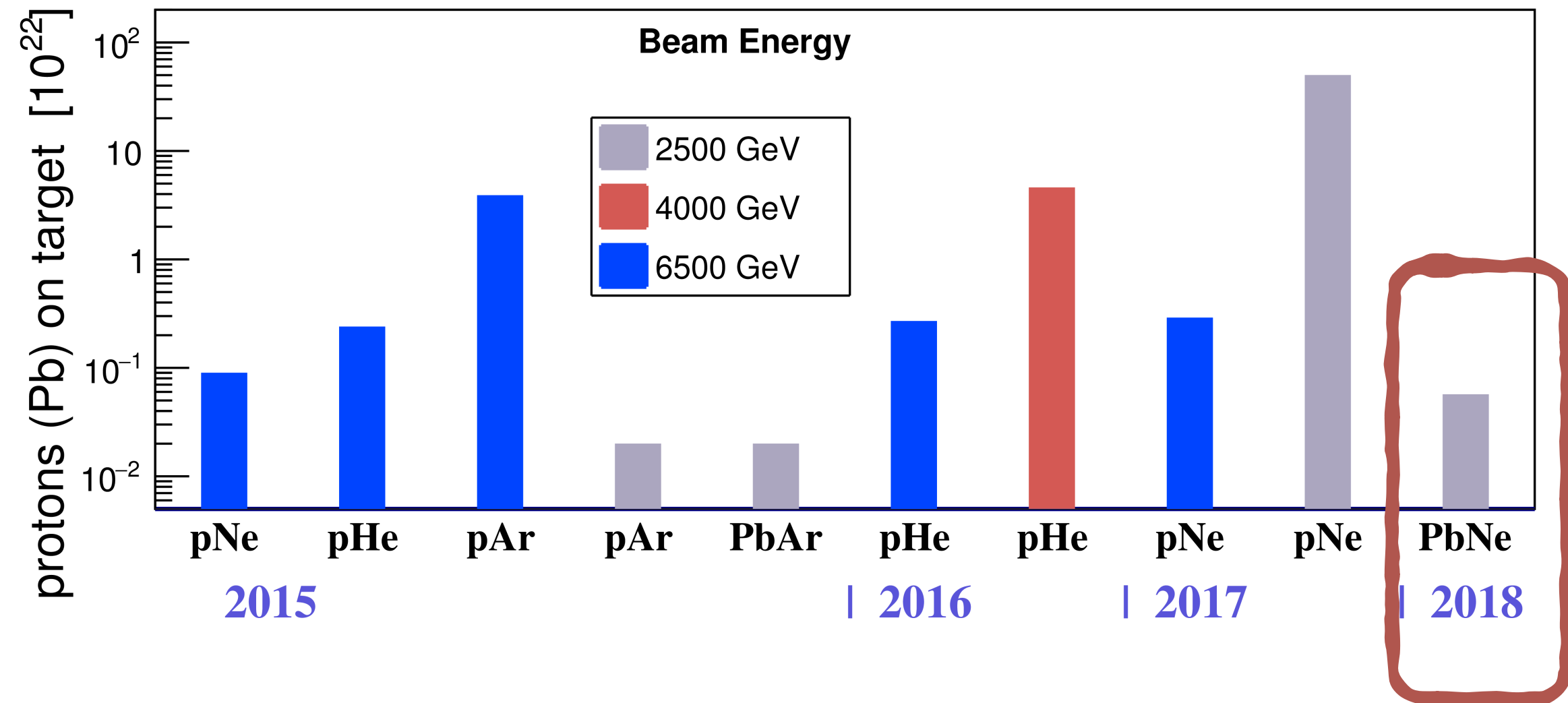


- ❖ χ_{c1} and χ_{c2} peaks **observed** in pPb / Pbp collisions with converted and non-converted photons.

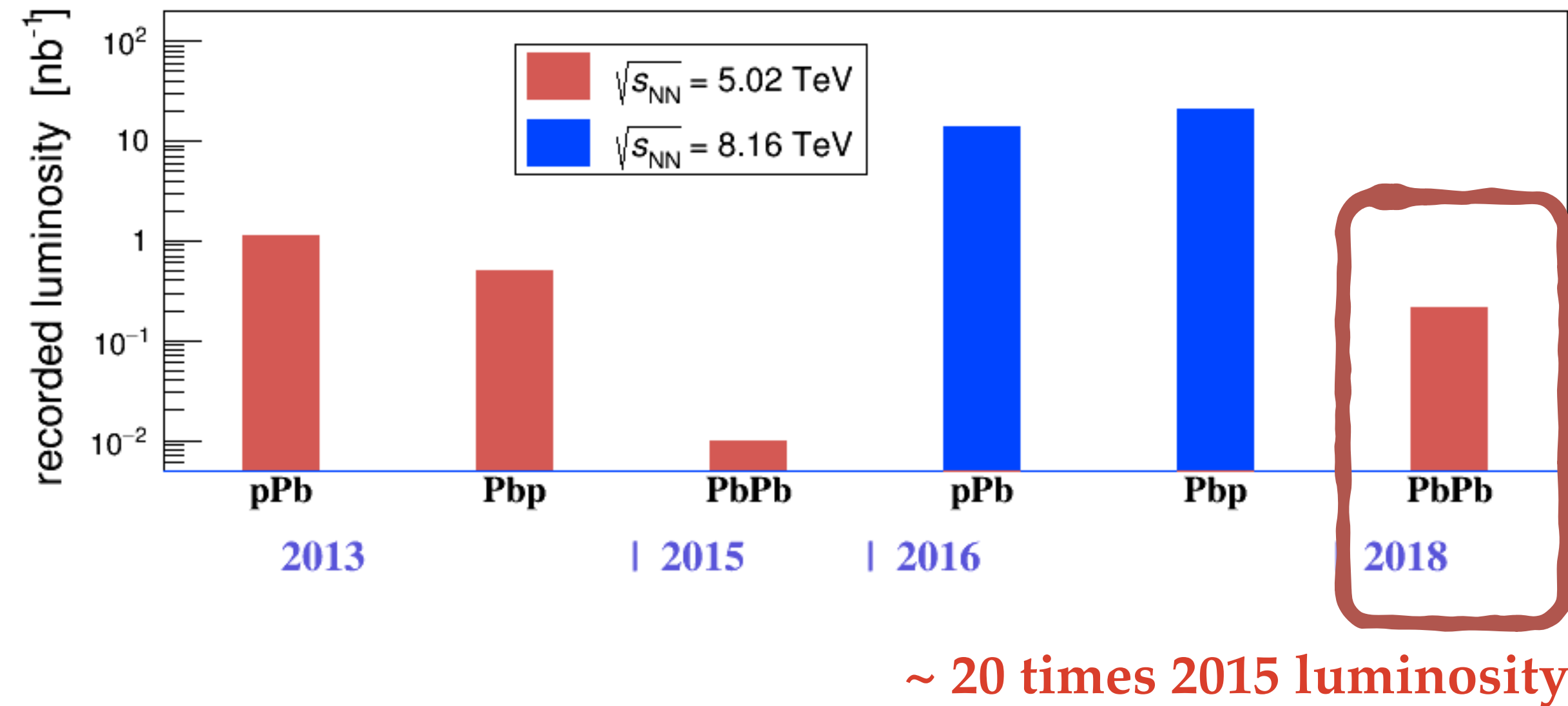
Analysis ongoing, stay tuned !

LHCb physics program

Fixed-target mode samples



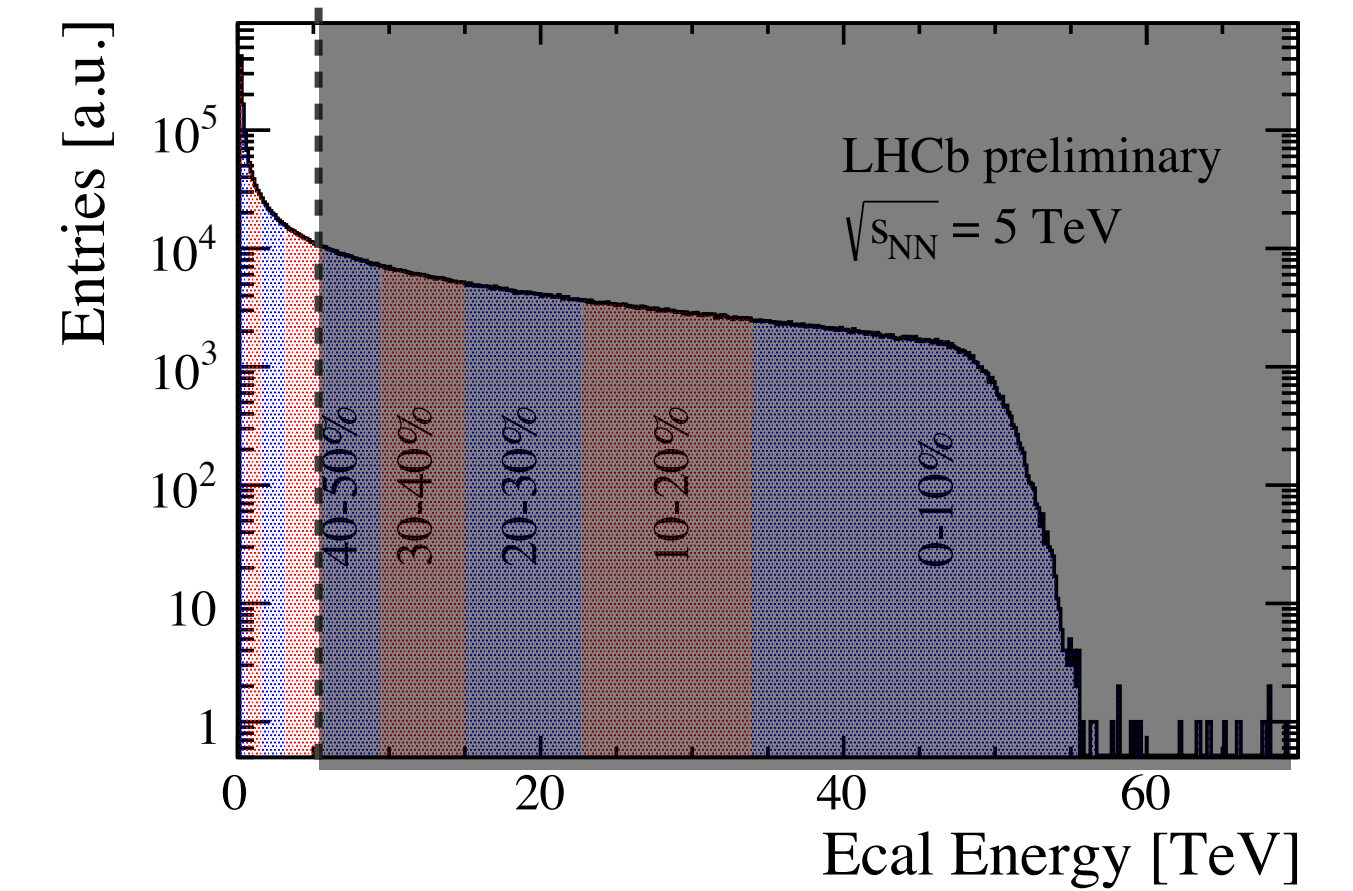
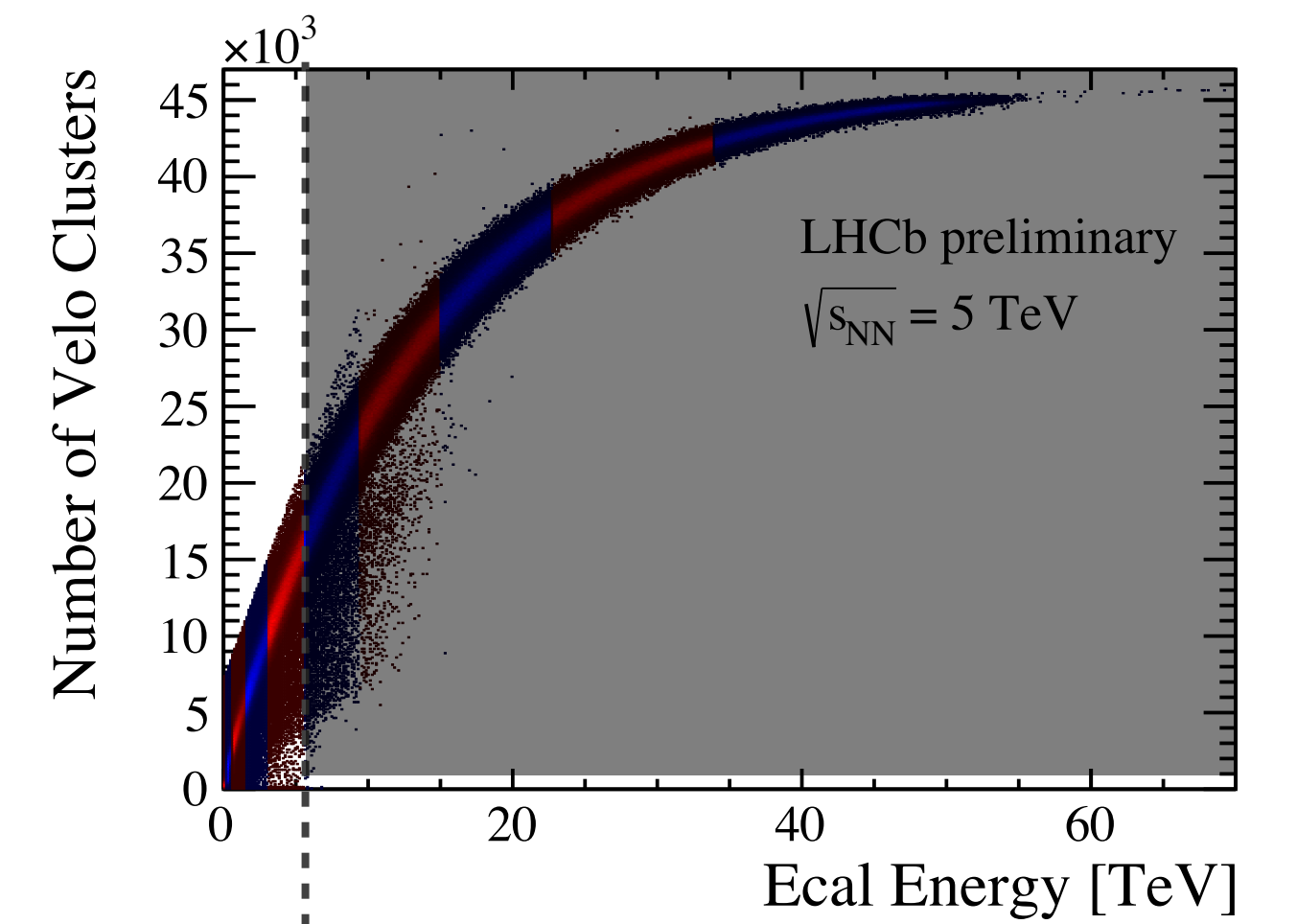
Collider mode samples



❖ Large variety of samples to study !

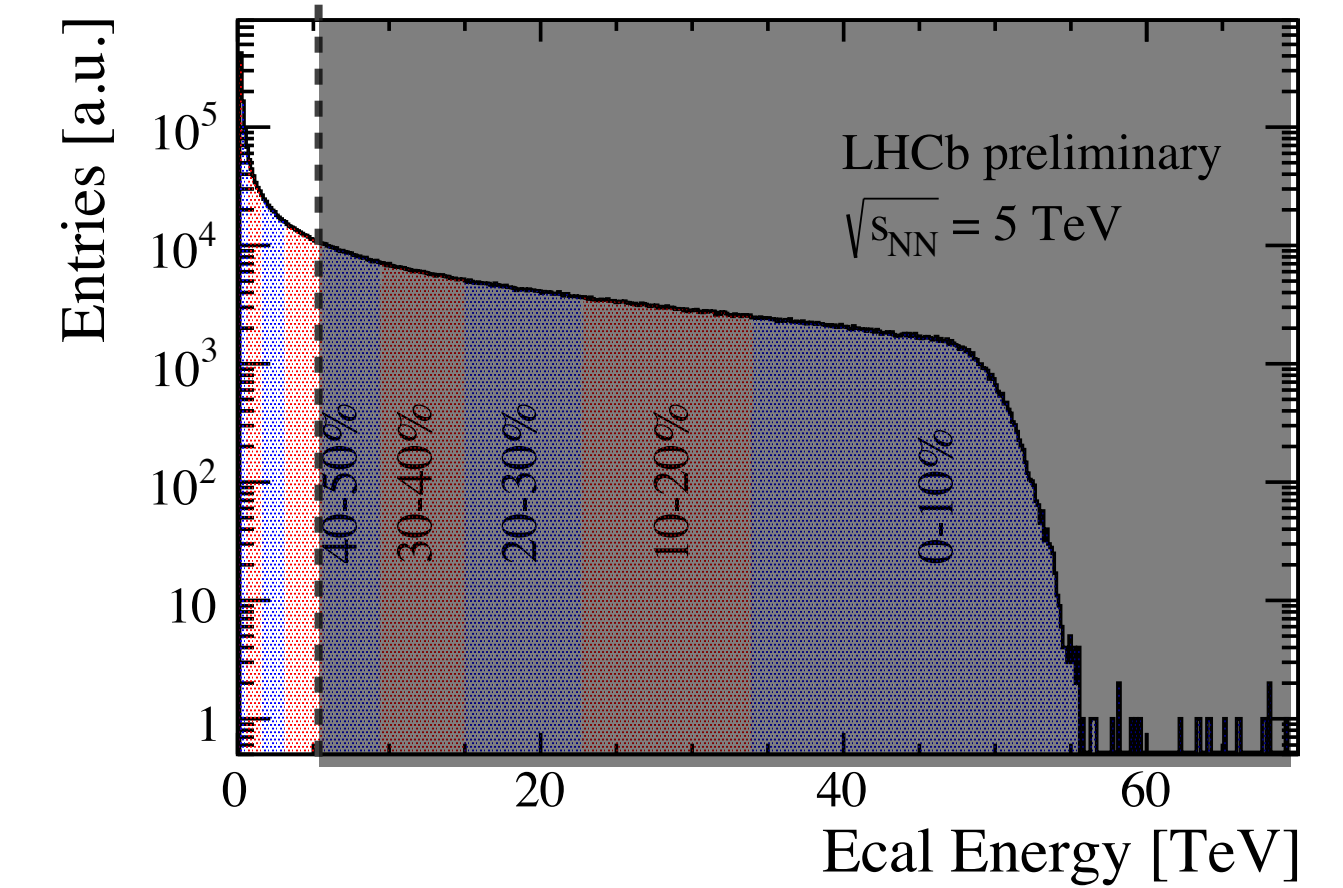
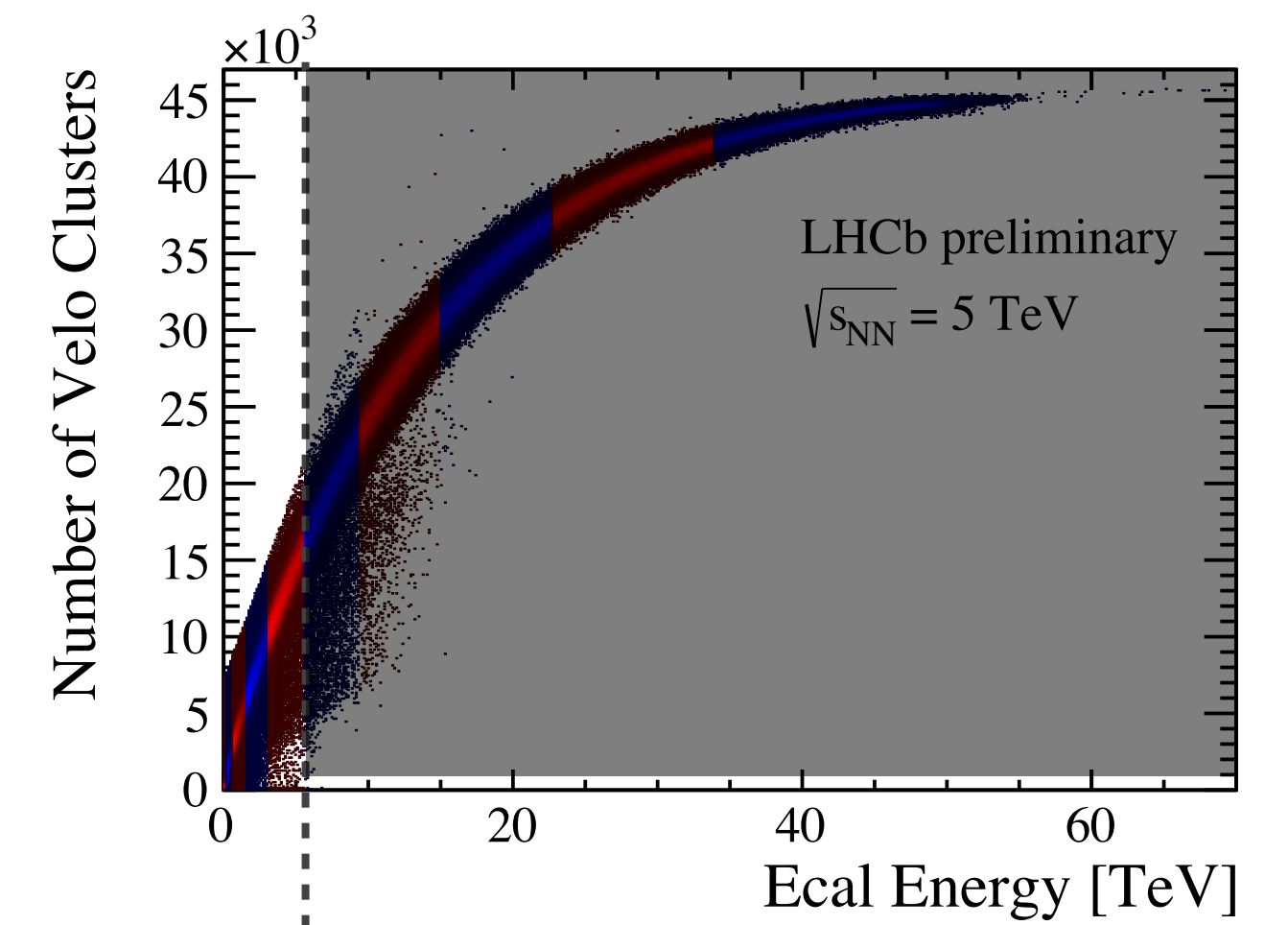
❖ Two new samples : PbNe at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 68.6$ GeV and PbPb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV.

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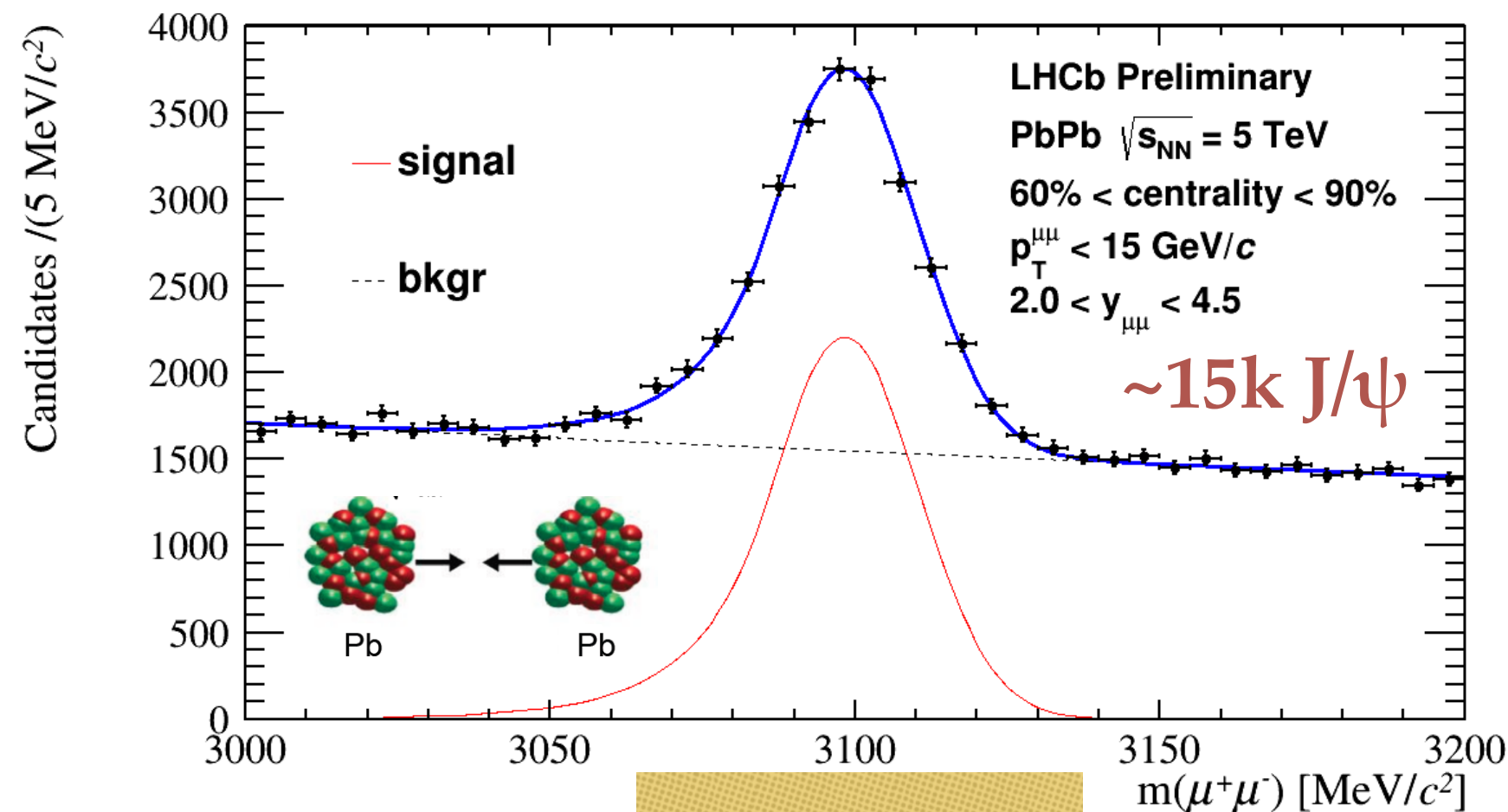


Status in PbPb collisions

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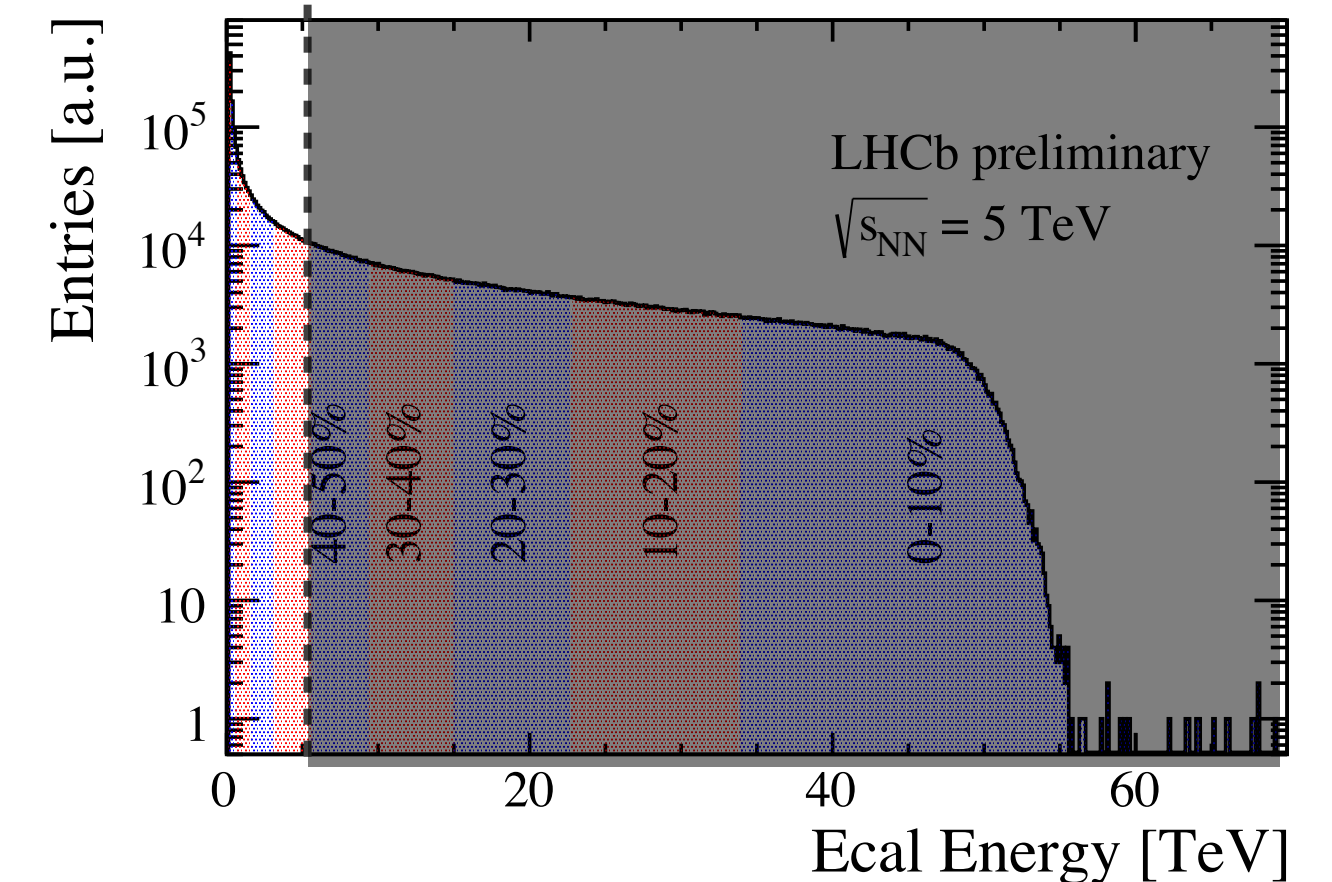
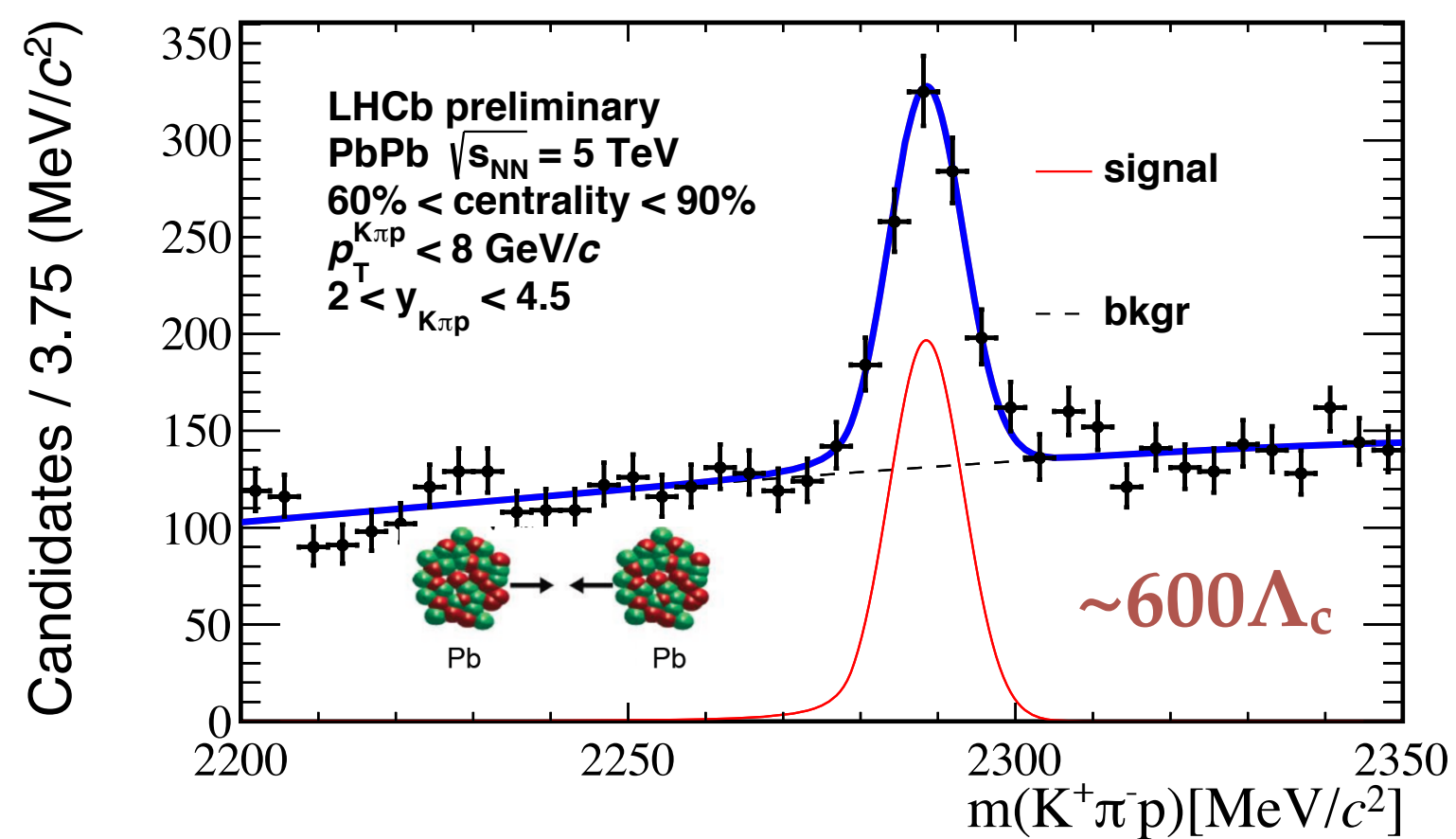
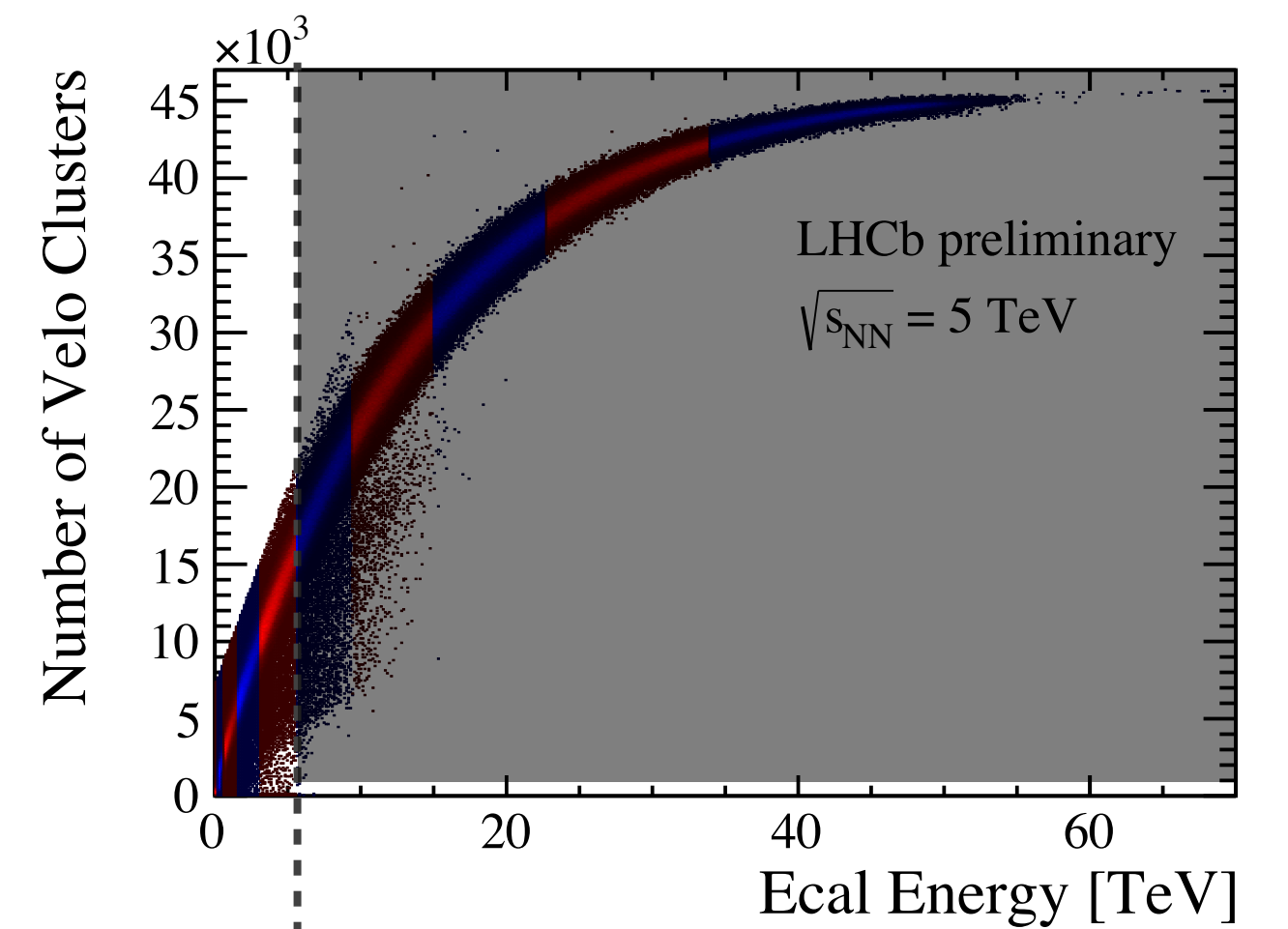


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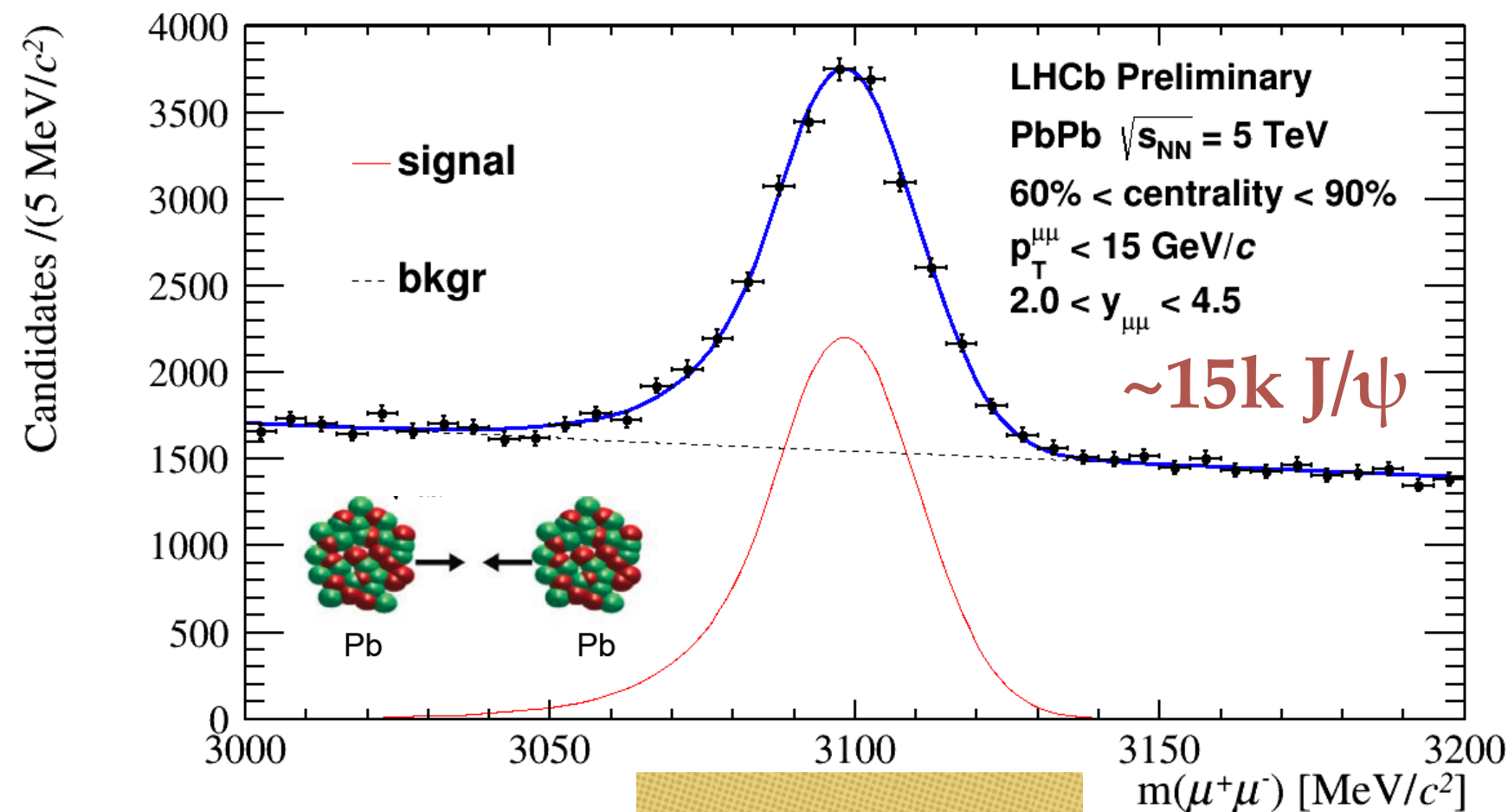


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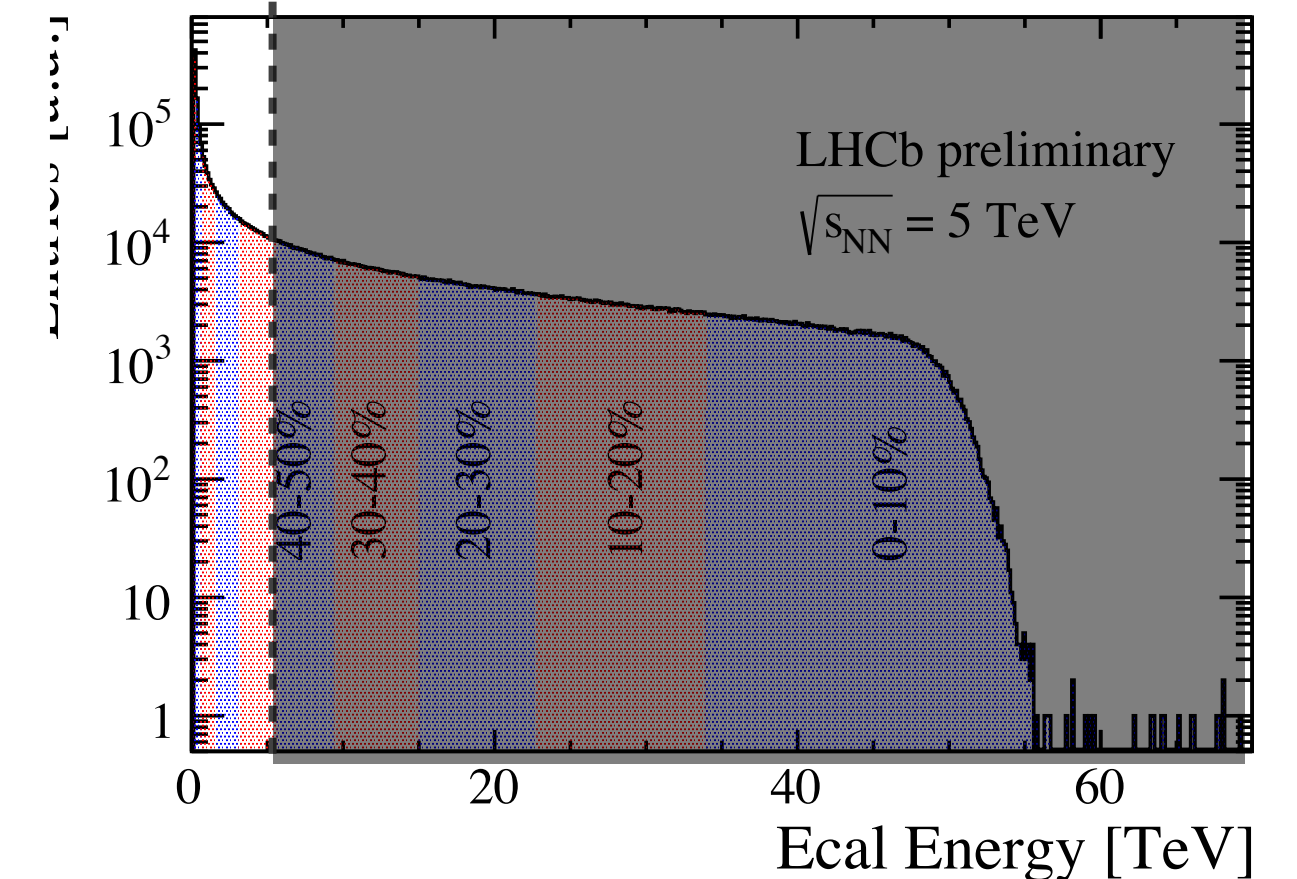
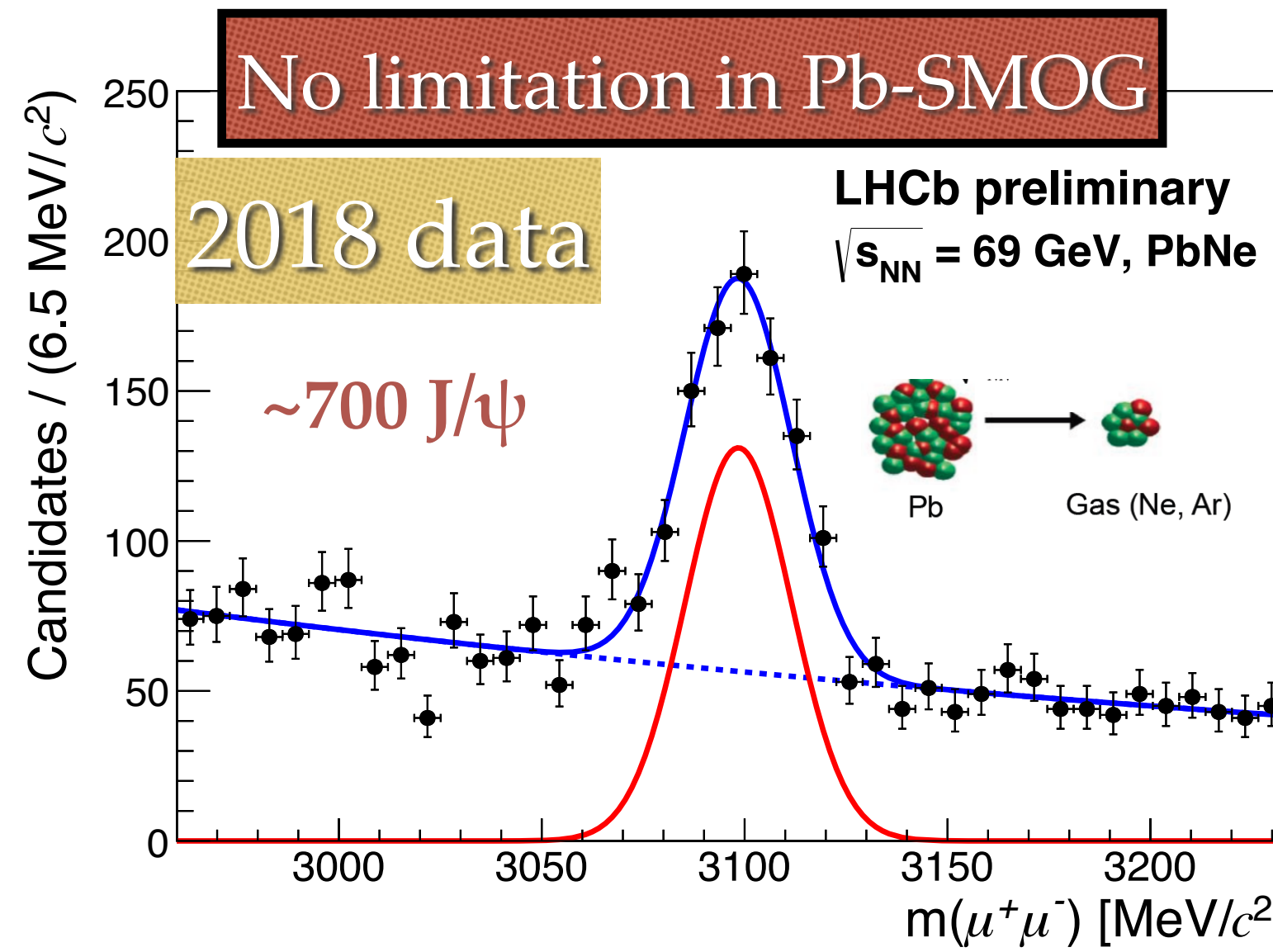
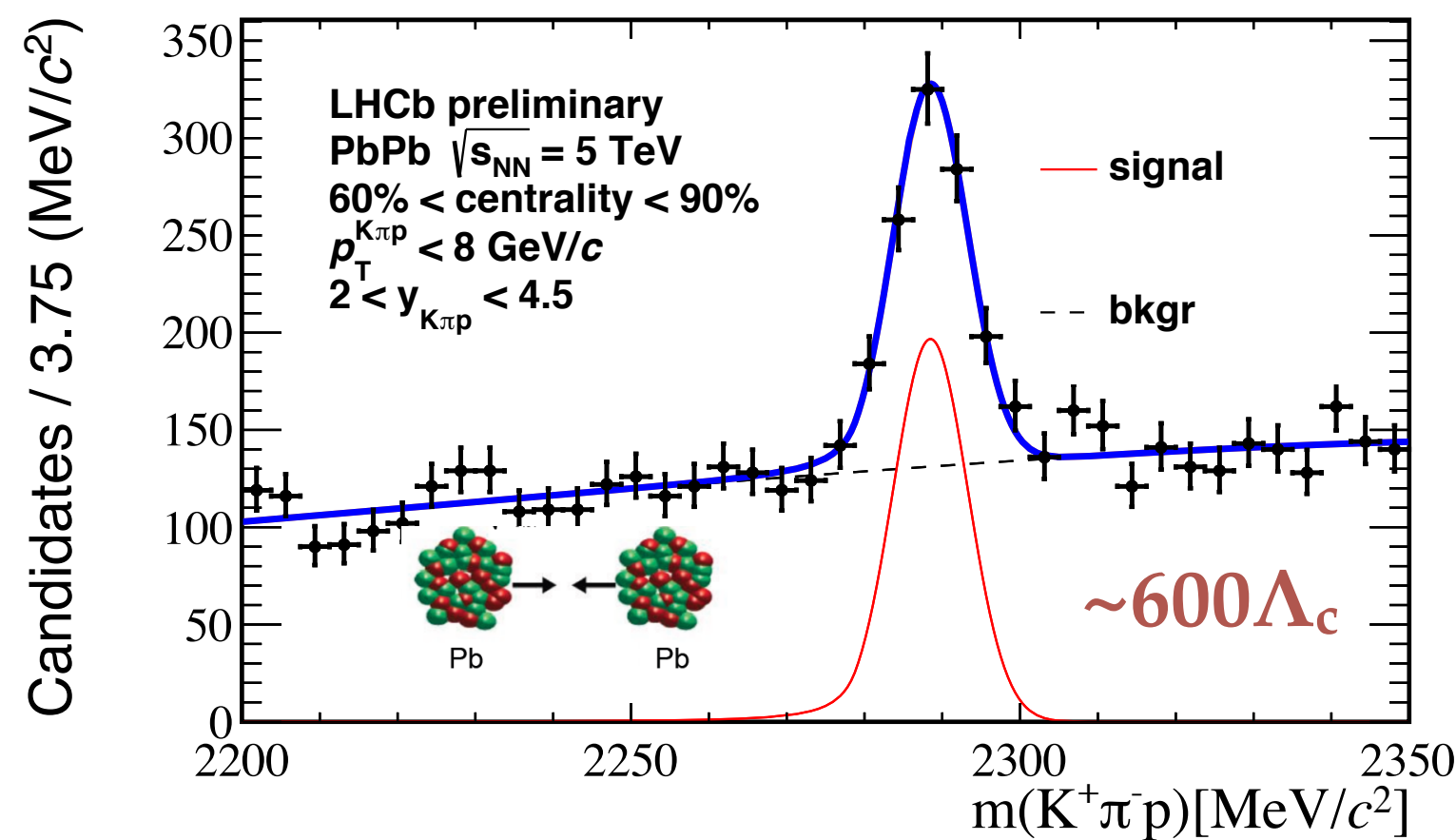
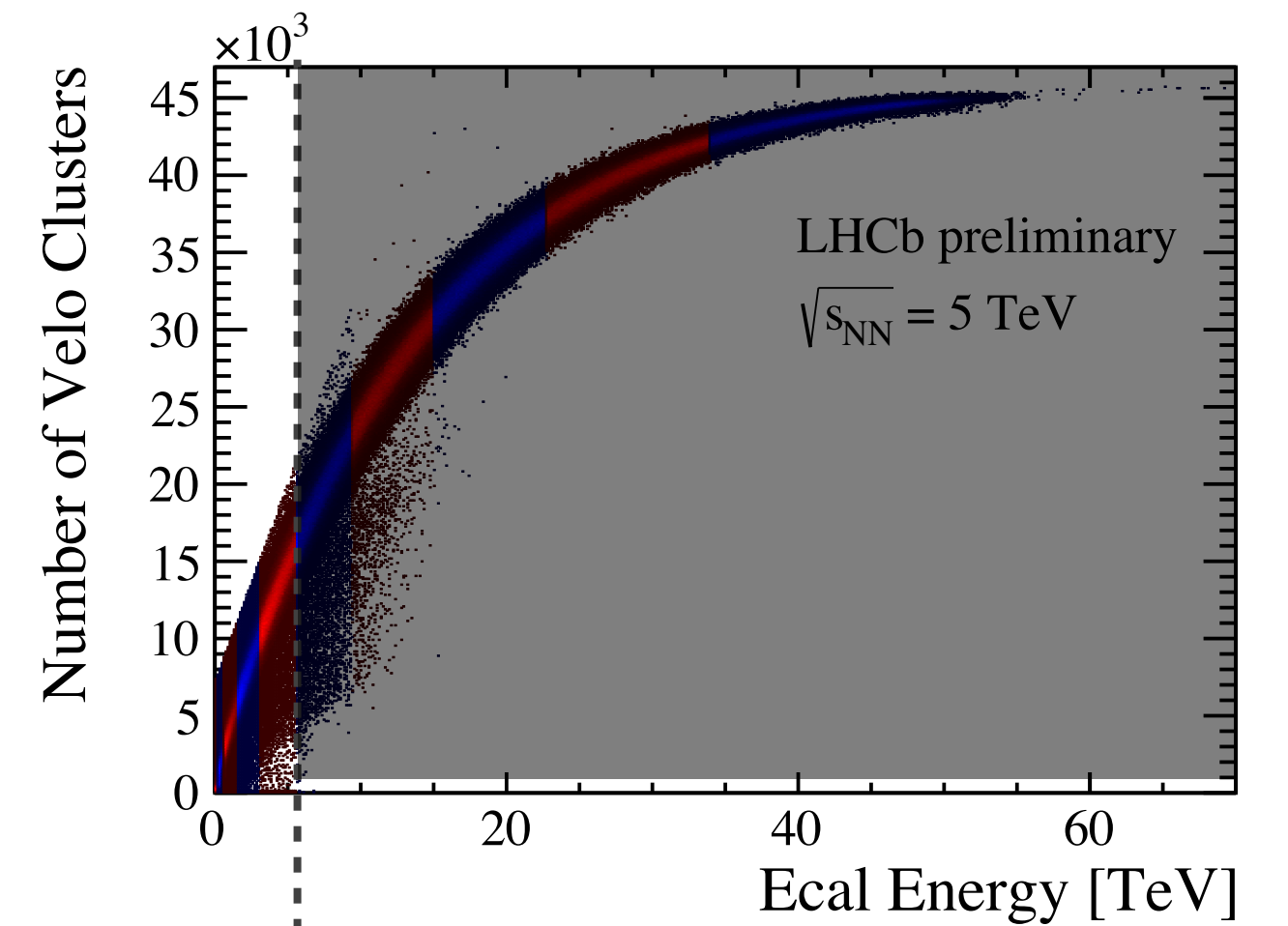
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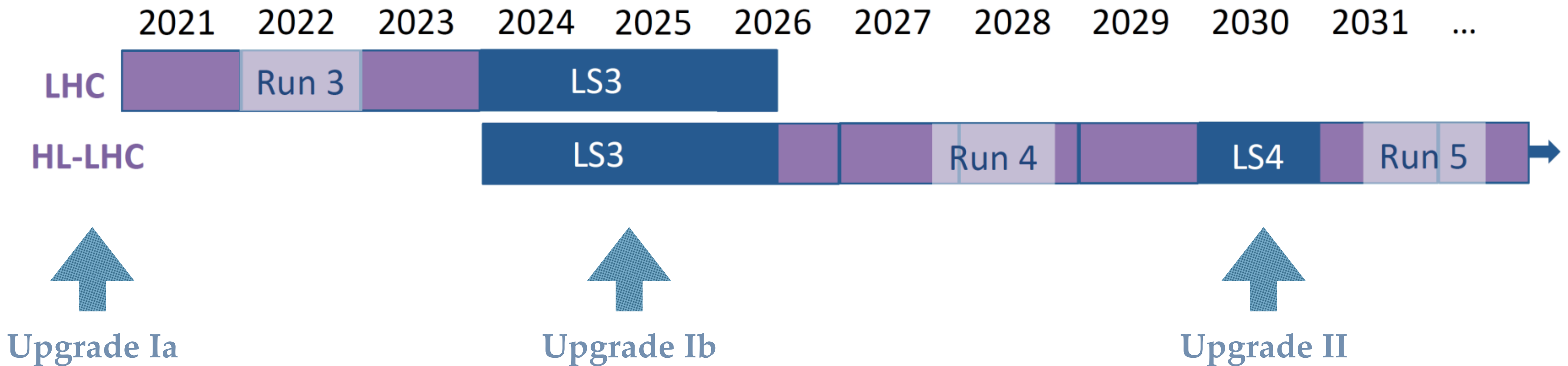
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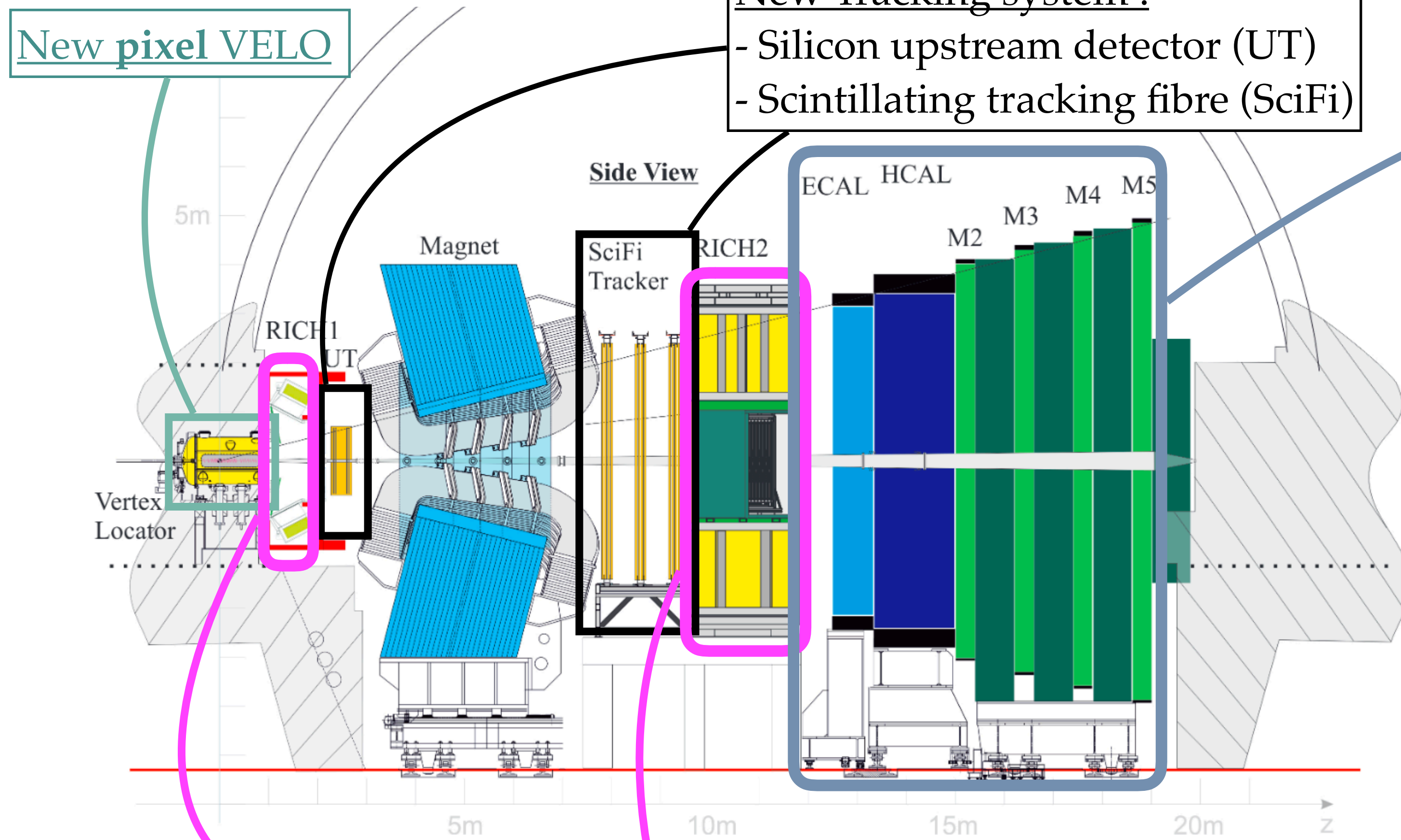


LHCb Upgrade I



LHCb detector : season 3 (2021)

[CERN-LHCC-2012-007]



New Tracking system :
- Silicon upstream detector (UT)
- Scintillating tracking fibre (SciFi)

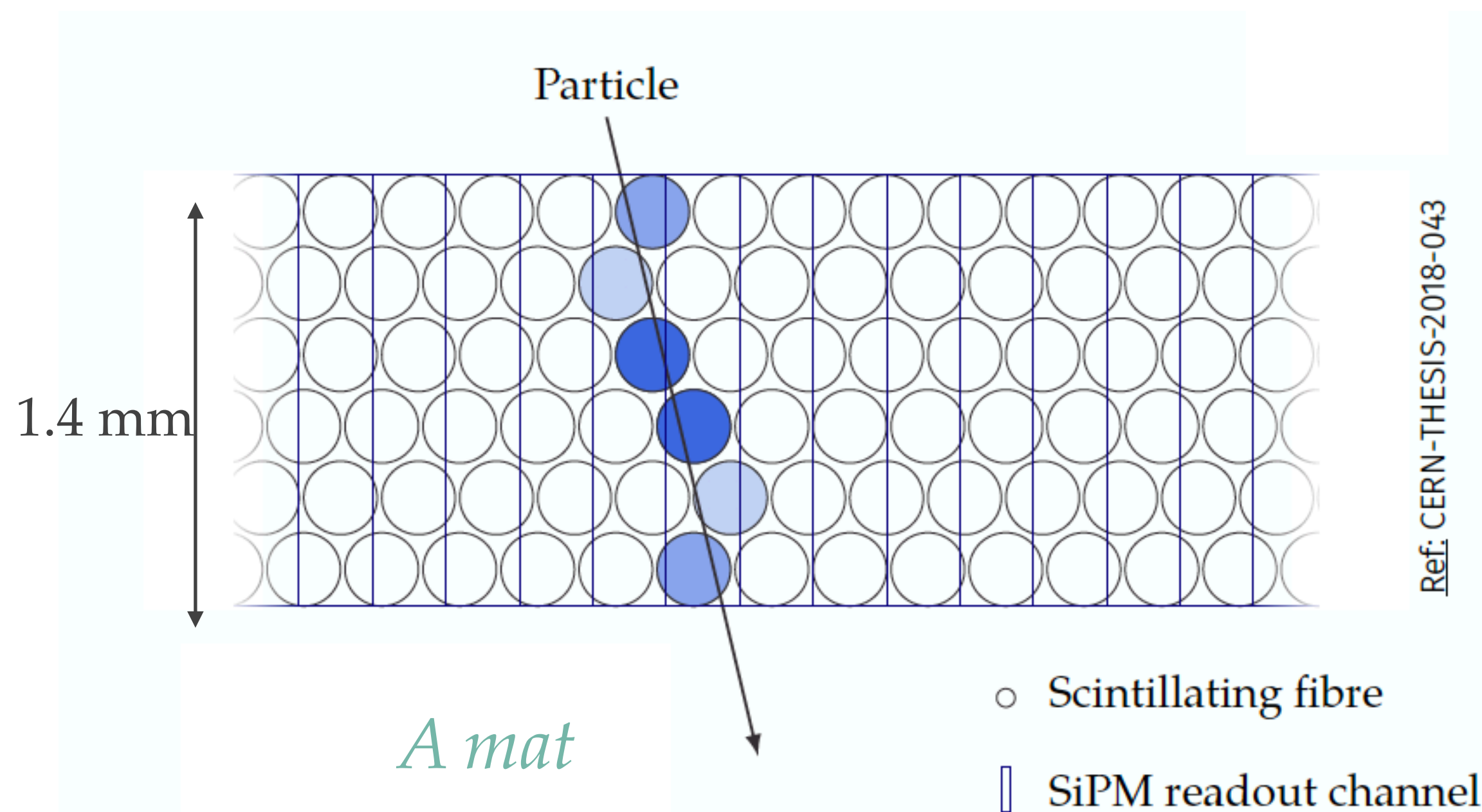
New electronics for muon and calorimeter systems

New RICH optics and photodetectors

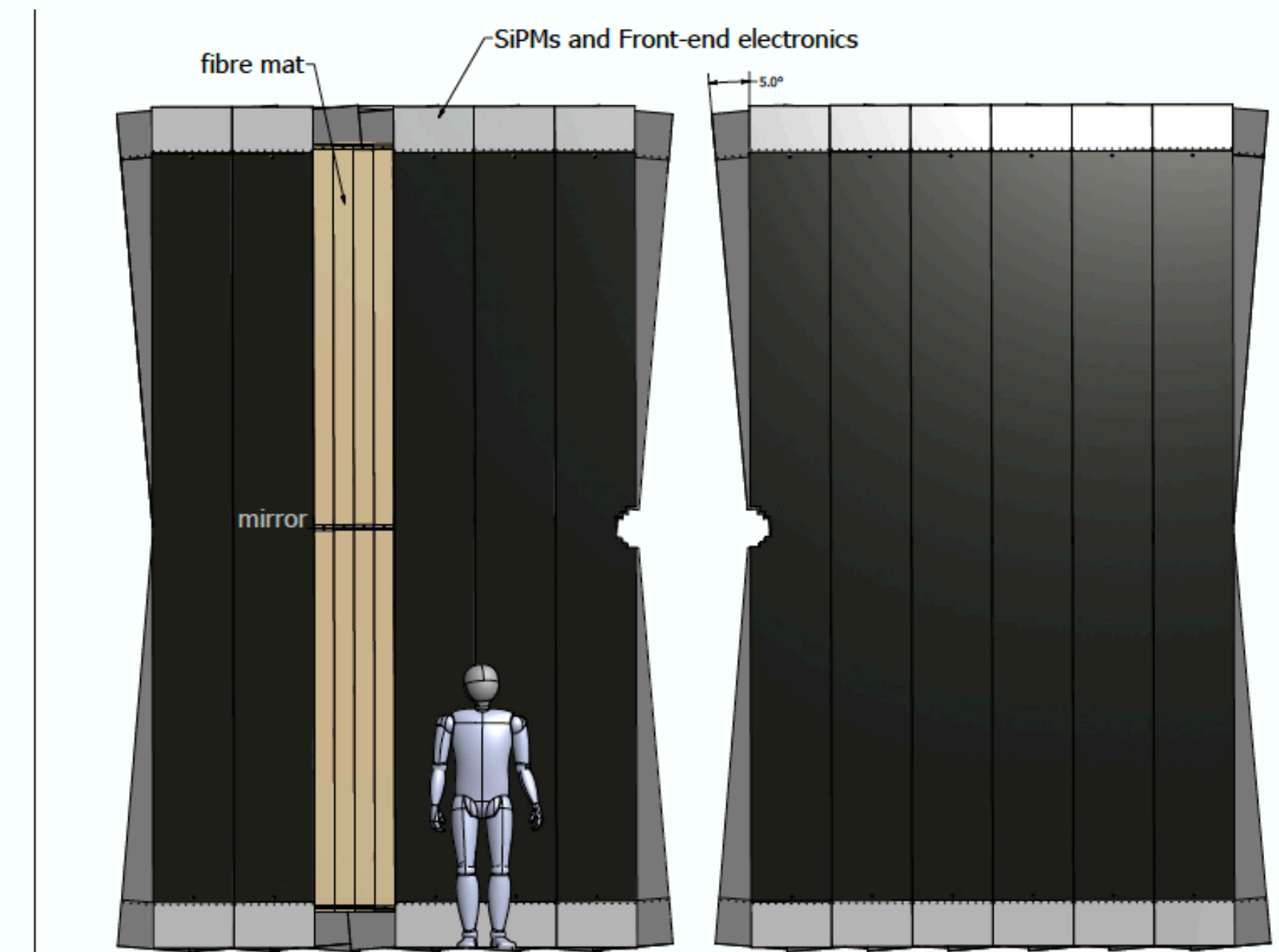
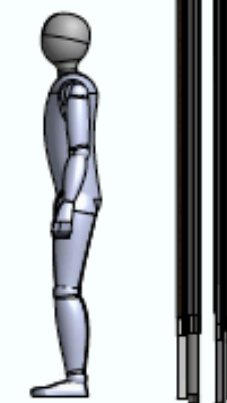
- ❖ Upgrade based on pp collision requirements :
 - ➔ Collision rate at 40 MHz.
 - ➔ Pile-up factor $\mu \approx 5$
- ❖ **Replace the entire tracking system.**
- ❖ **Full software trigger.**
 - ➔ Remove L0 triggers.
 - ➔ Read out the full detector at 40 MHz.

Tracking system: Scintillating fibre tracker (SciFi)

- ❖ ~10000 km of scintillating fibres arranged in 6 layers with silicon photo-multipliers (SiPM) readout.
 - 3 stations.
 - 4 detection layers per station arranged in x-u-v-x configuration per stations.
 - 10 modules of 2x4 mats.

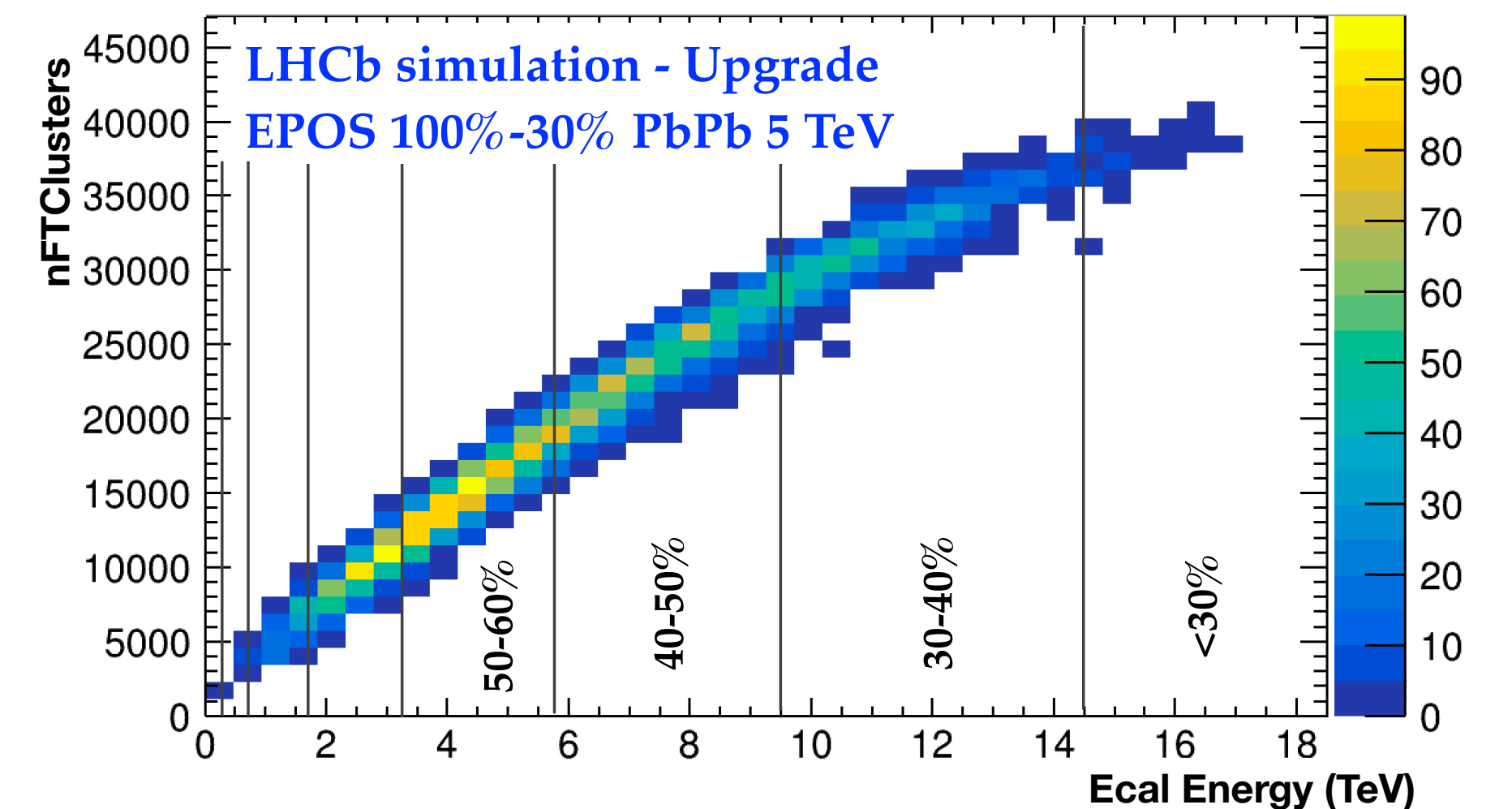
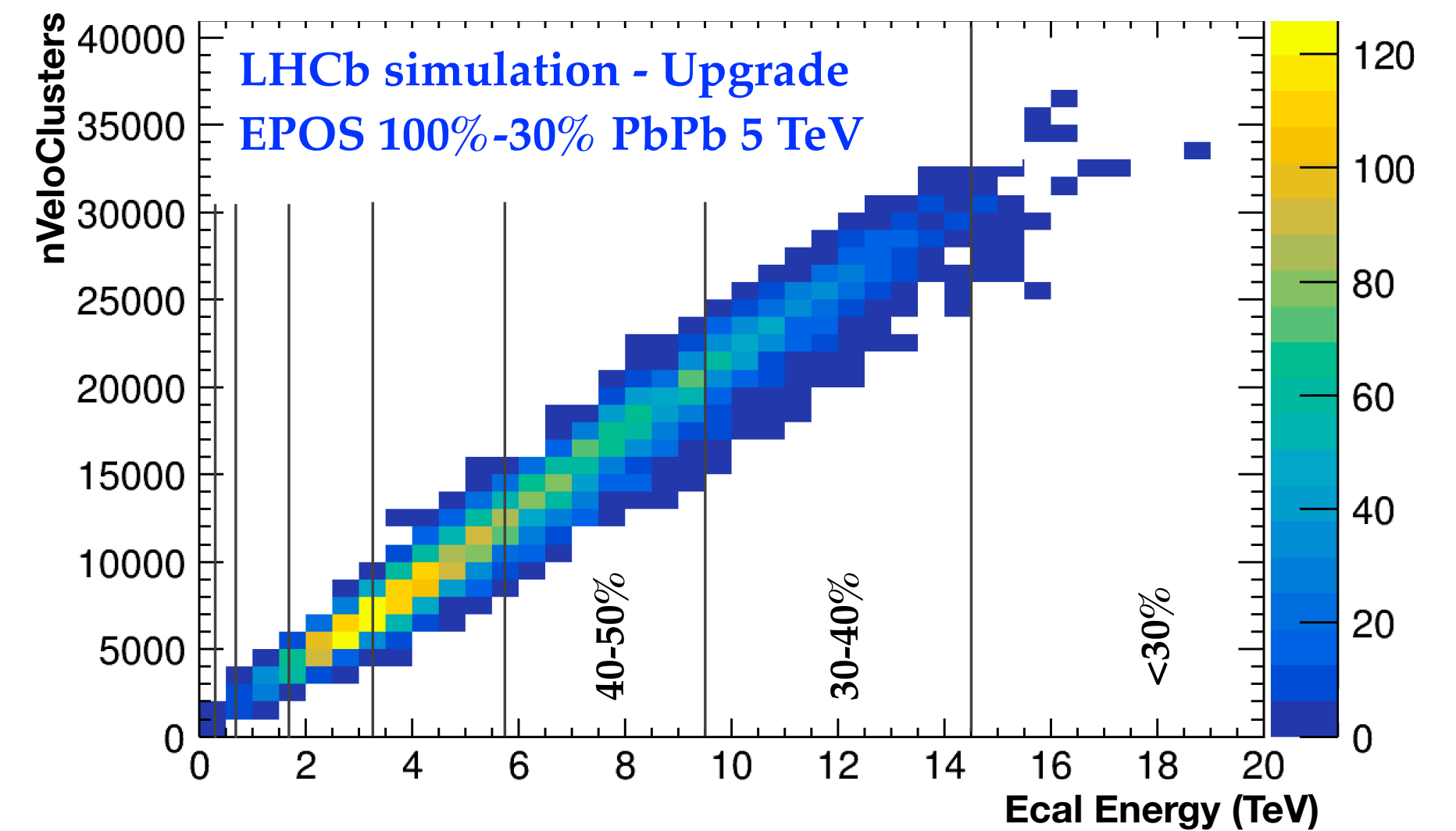


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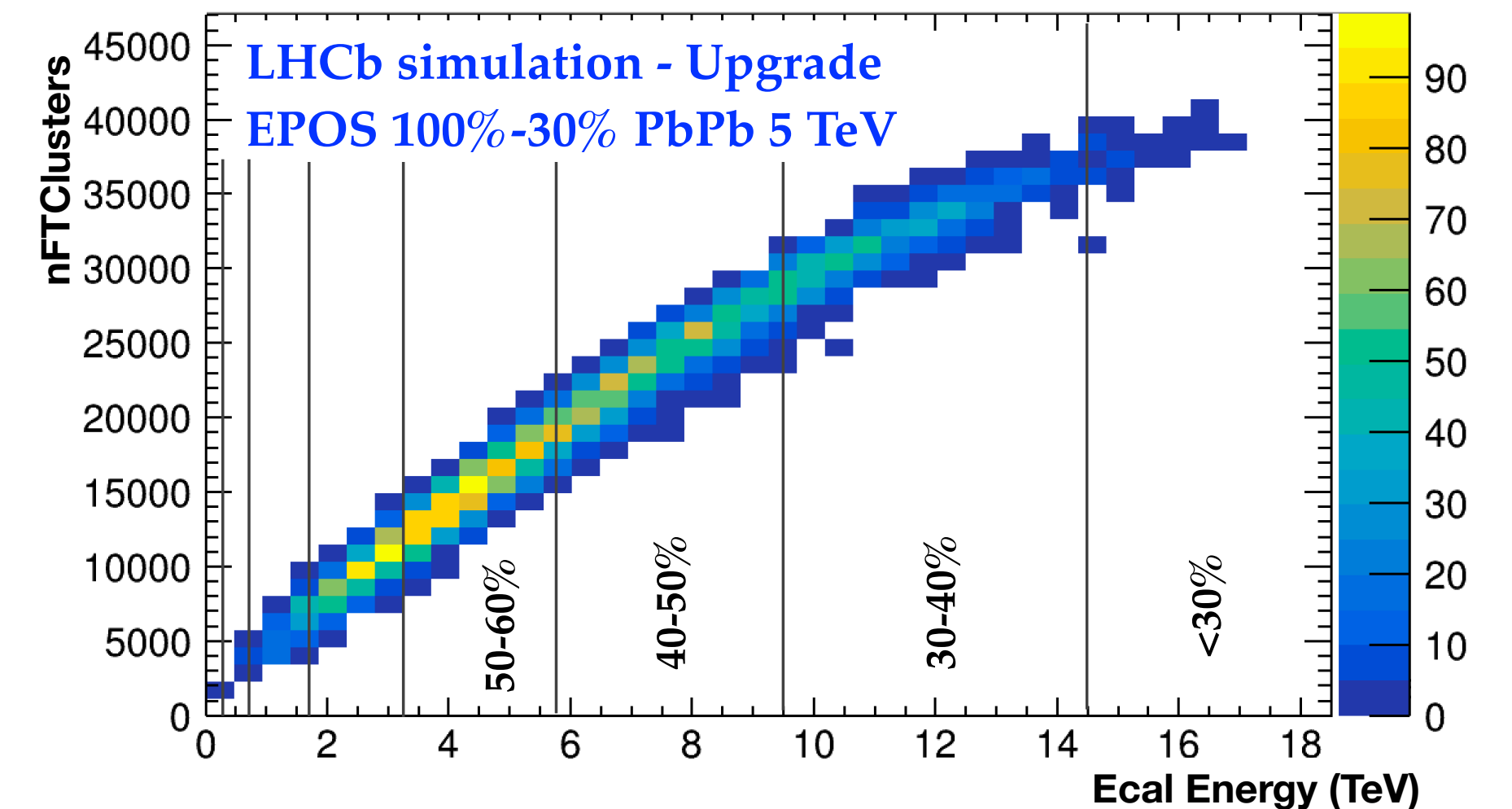
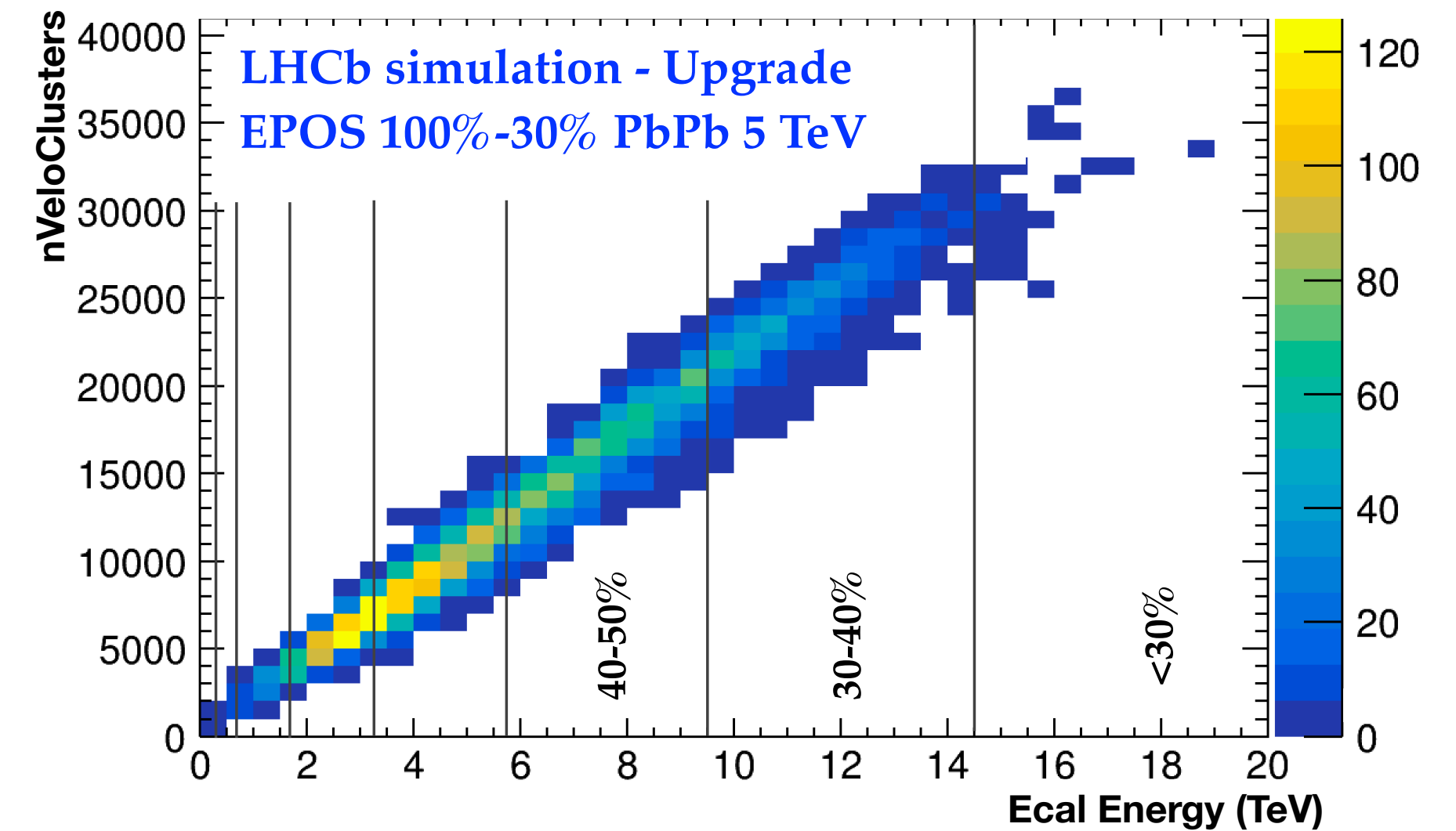
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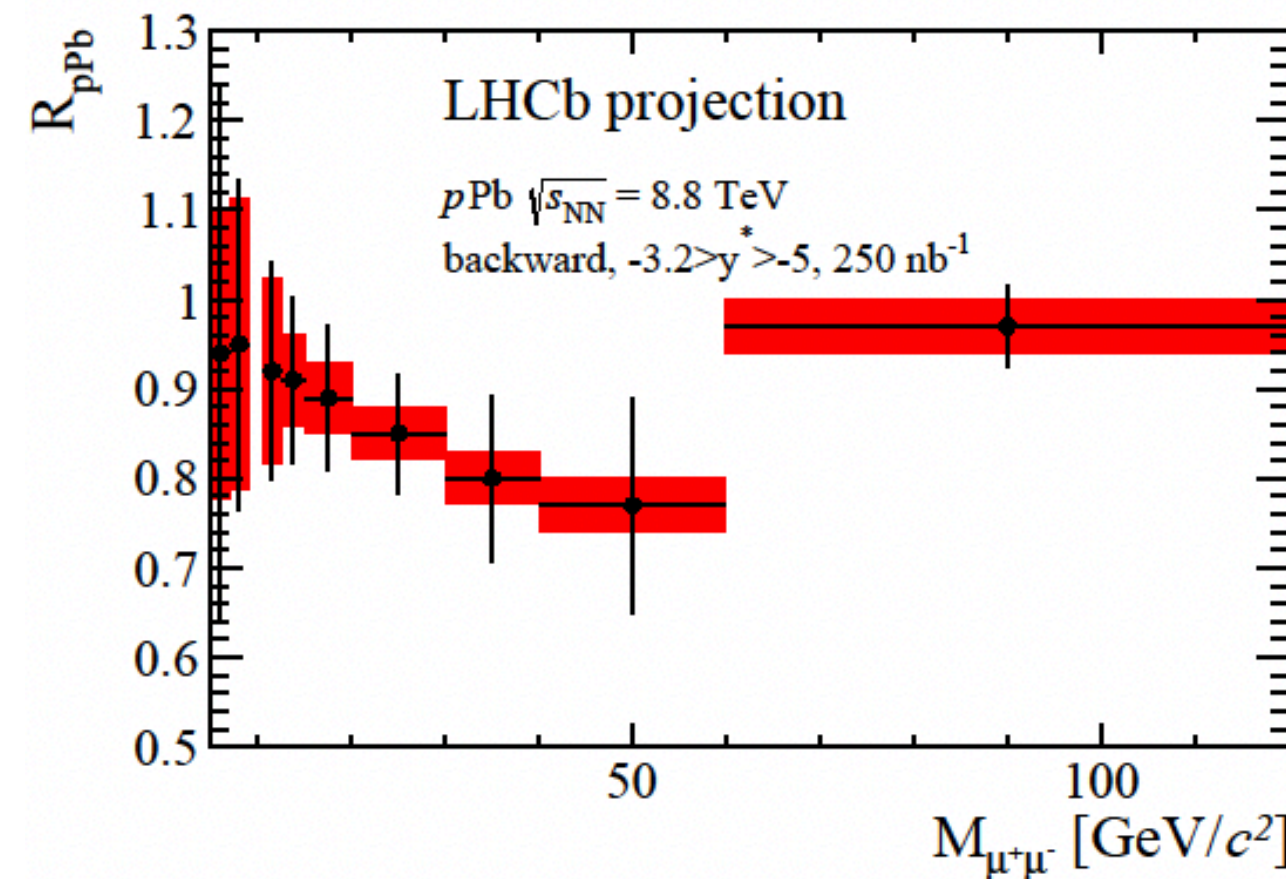
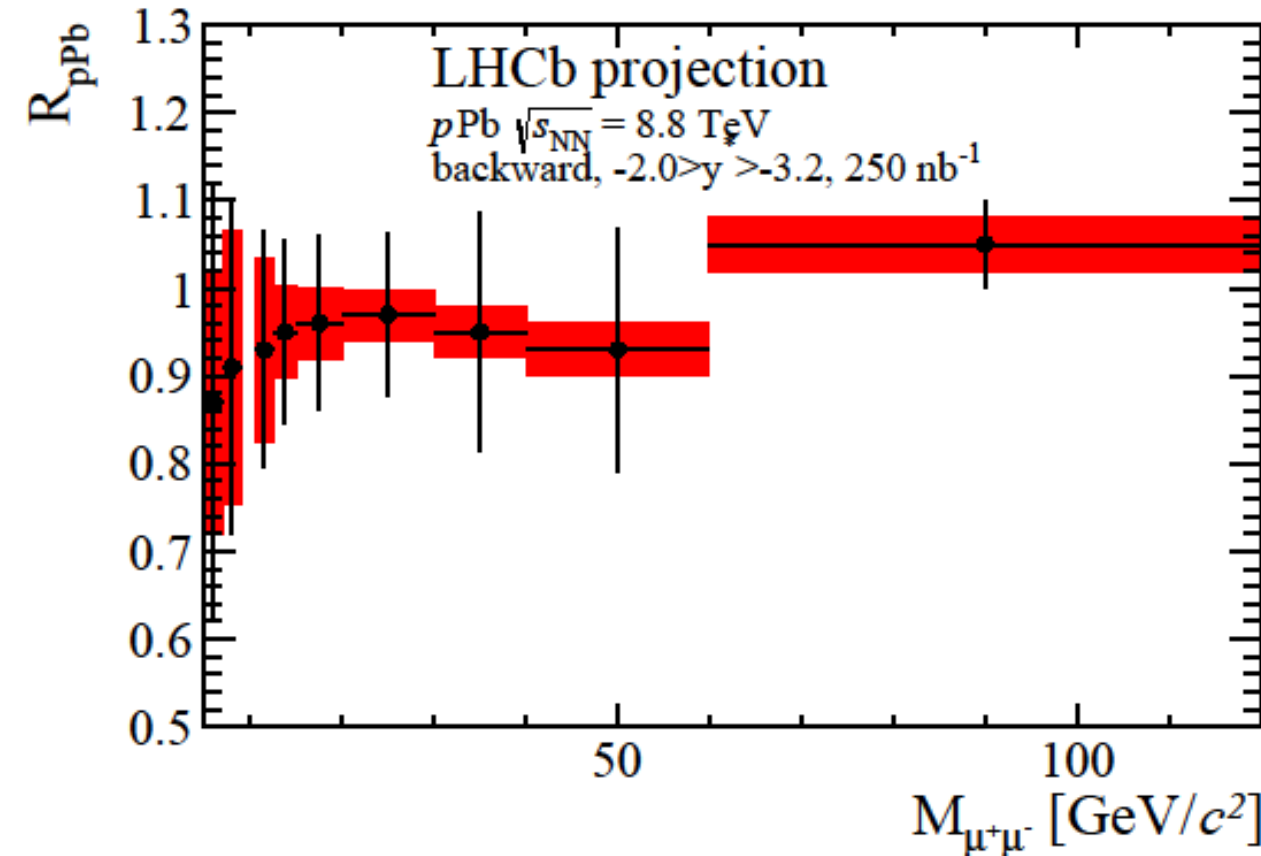
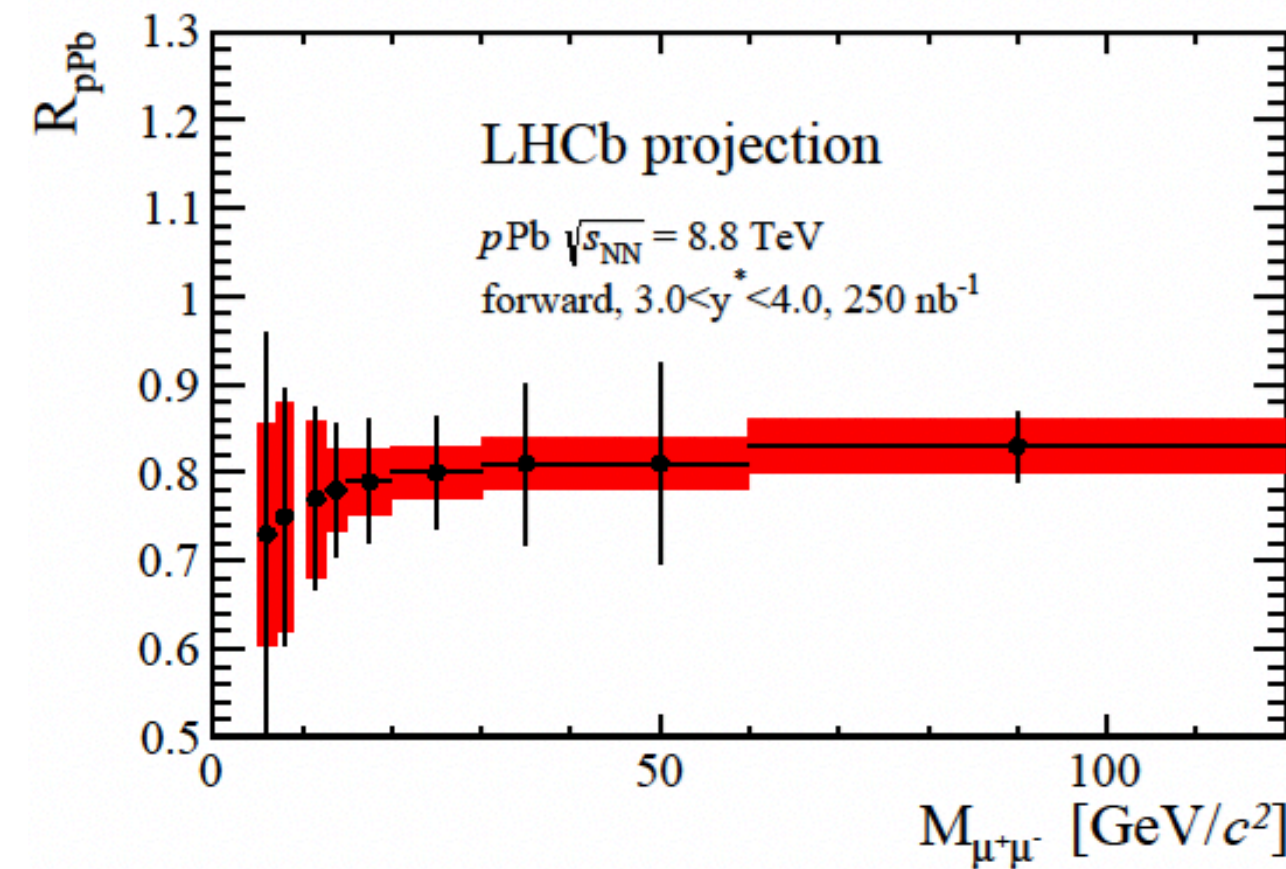
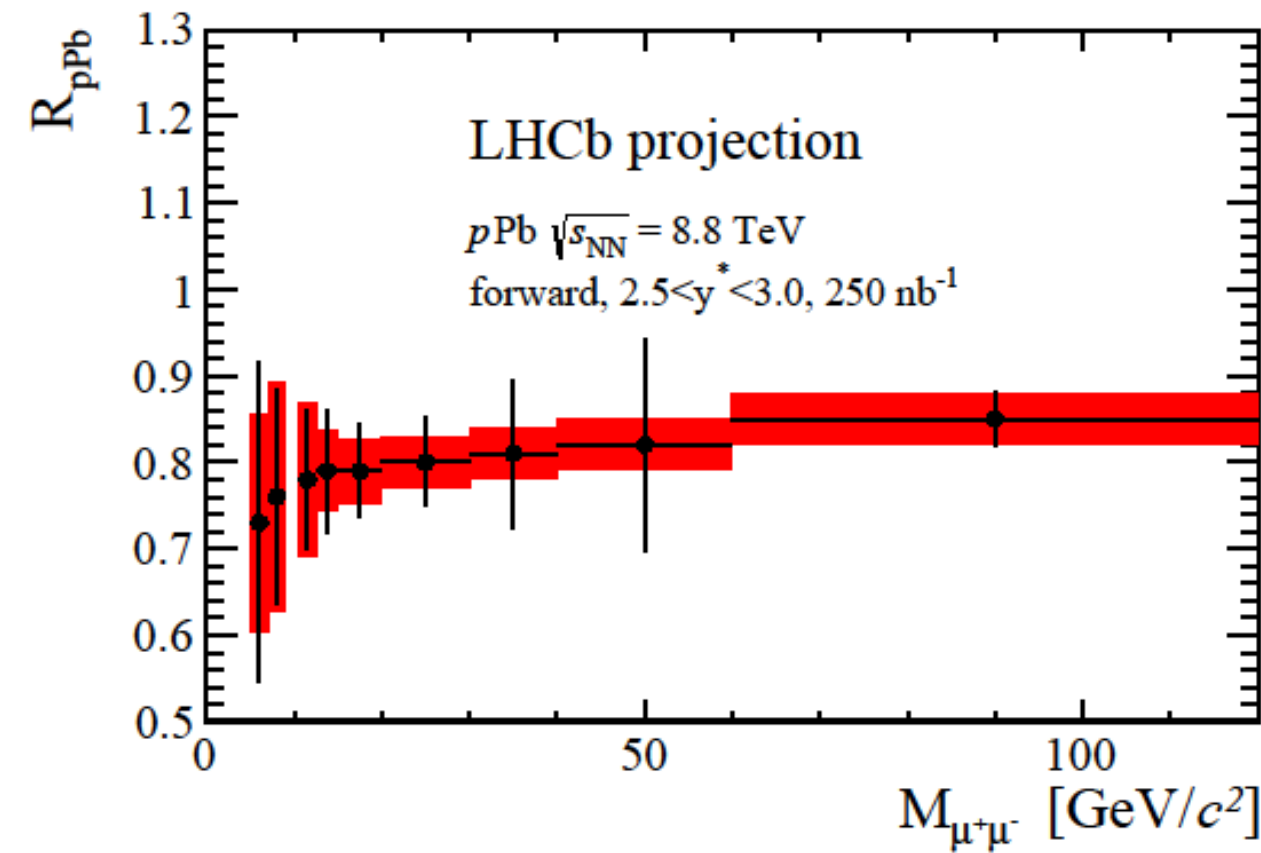
Run 3 prospects for heavy-ion physics with LHCb

- ❖ No significant saturation of the new LHCb detectors **up to 30%**!
- ❖ Two proposals for a new tracker (see next slides):
 - in 2024 → **reach event more central collisions!**
 - In 2030 → **no more limitations!**



Run 3 prospects for heavy-ion physics with LHCb

EPS16 nPDF prediction at NLO



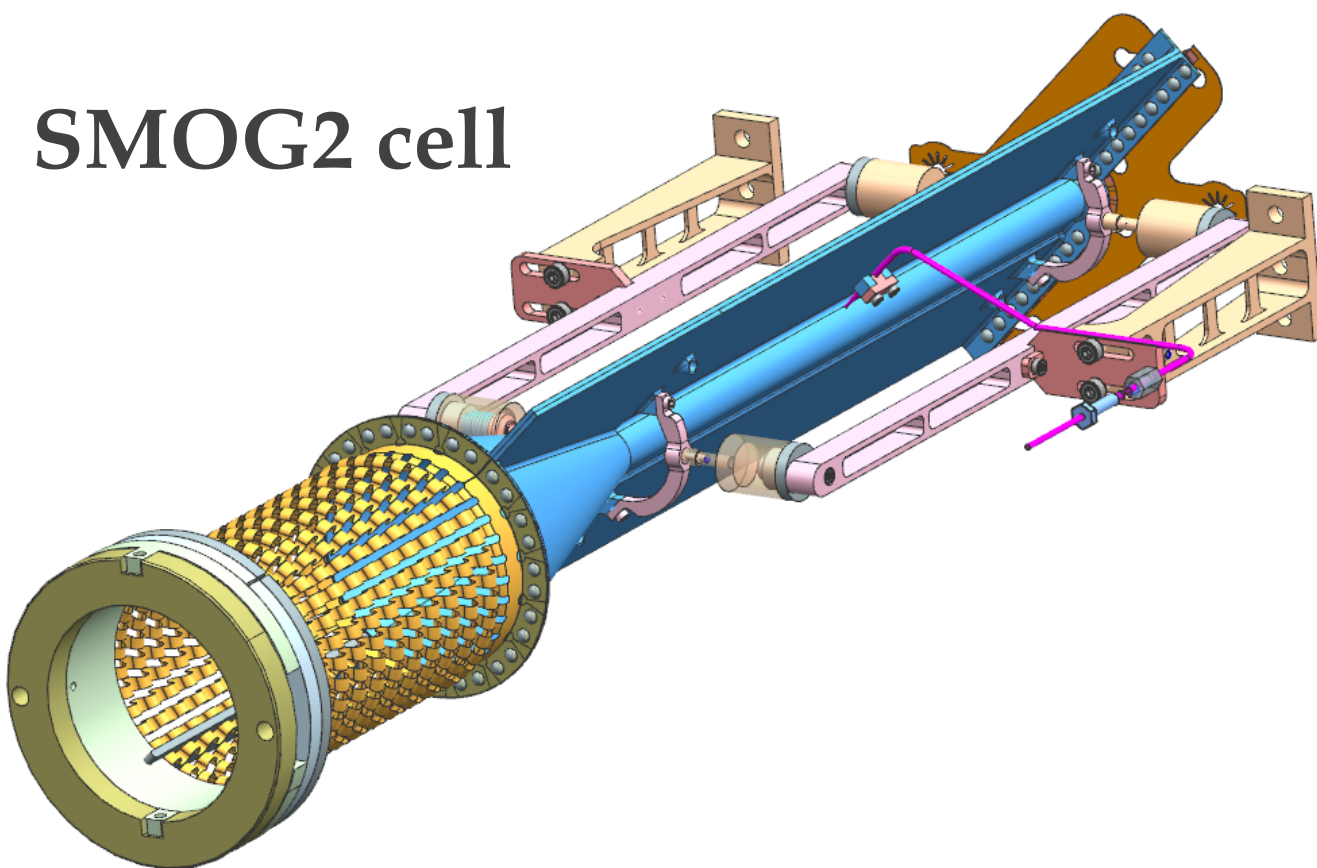
Luminosity :

- $p\text{Pb} : 500 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ (4 weeks)
- $pp : 104 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ (much shorter time)

- ❖ **Drell-Yan production in pPb collisions.**
 - Forward rapidity : access shadowing region.
 - Backward rapidity : access to EMC effect.
- Other studies in this document :
 - $D_0\text{-}\overline{D}_0$ correlations.
 - B^+ meson productions.

- ❖ **Projections show valuable inputs for nPDF fit with limited data taking periods.**

LHCb fixed-target program evolution



SMOG2 cell

- ❖ **SMOG 2** ([TDR](#)) : Standalone gas storage cell covering $z \in [-500; -300]$ mm :
 - **Up to x100 higher gas density** with same gas flow of current SMOG.
 - Gas feed system measures the **gas density with few % accuracy**.
 - **Possibility to run in parallel of pp collisions**.

Projection of ~1 year data taking

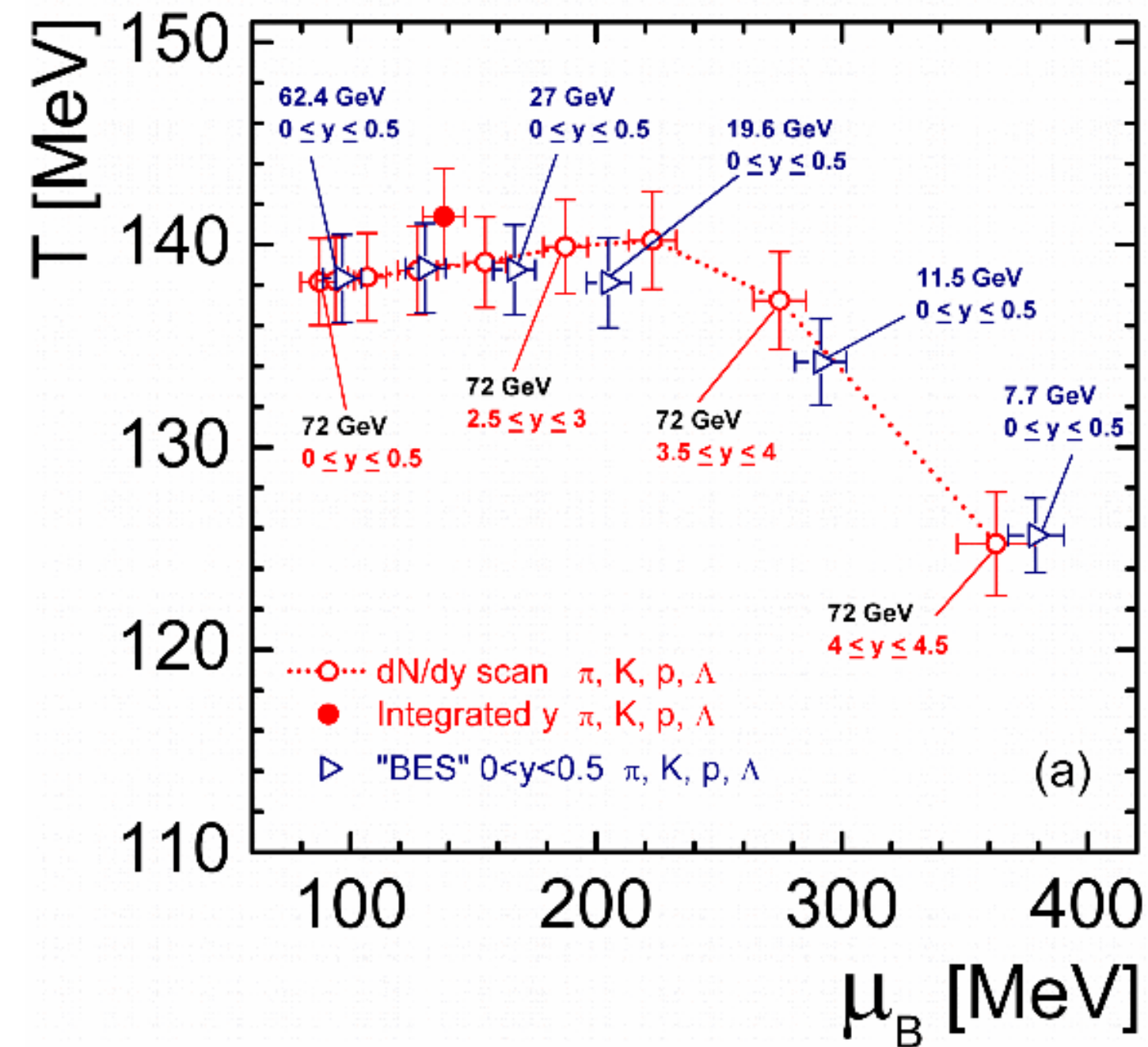
Int. Lumi.		80 pb ⁻¹
Sys.error of J/Ψ xsection		~3%
J/Ψ yield		28 M
D^0 yield		280 M
Λ_c yield		2.8 M
Ψ' yield		280 k
$\Upsilon(1S)$ yield		24 k
$DY \mu^+ \mu^-$ yield		24 k

Installation due in December 2019, to be operational from the start of LHC Run 3.

Run 3 prospects for SMOG2 with LHCb

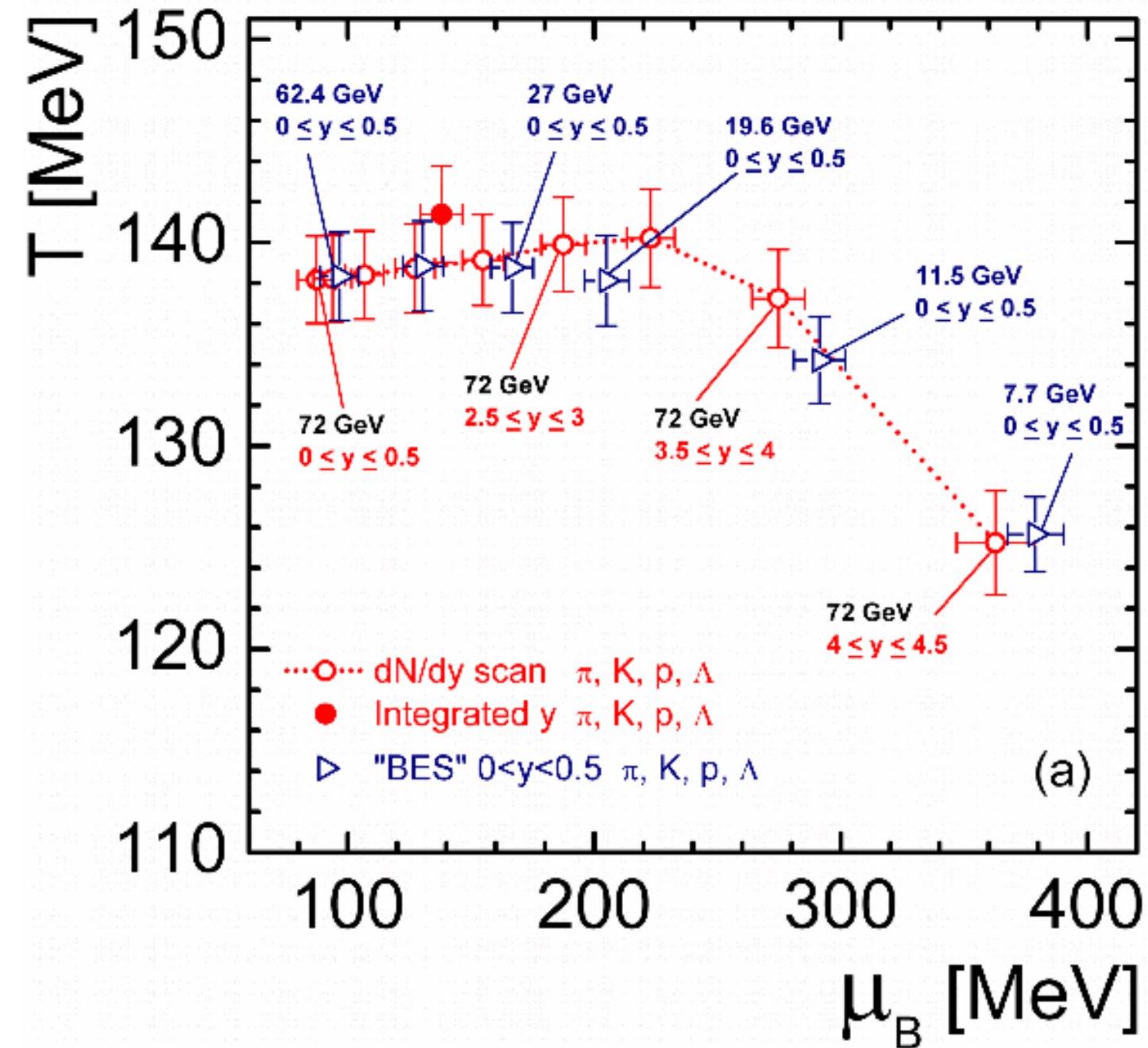
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Rapidity scan



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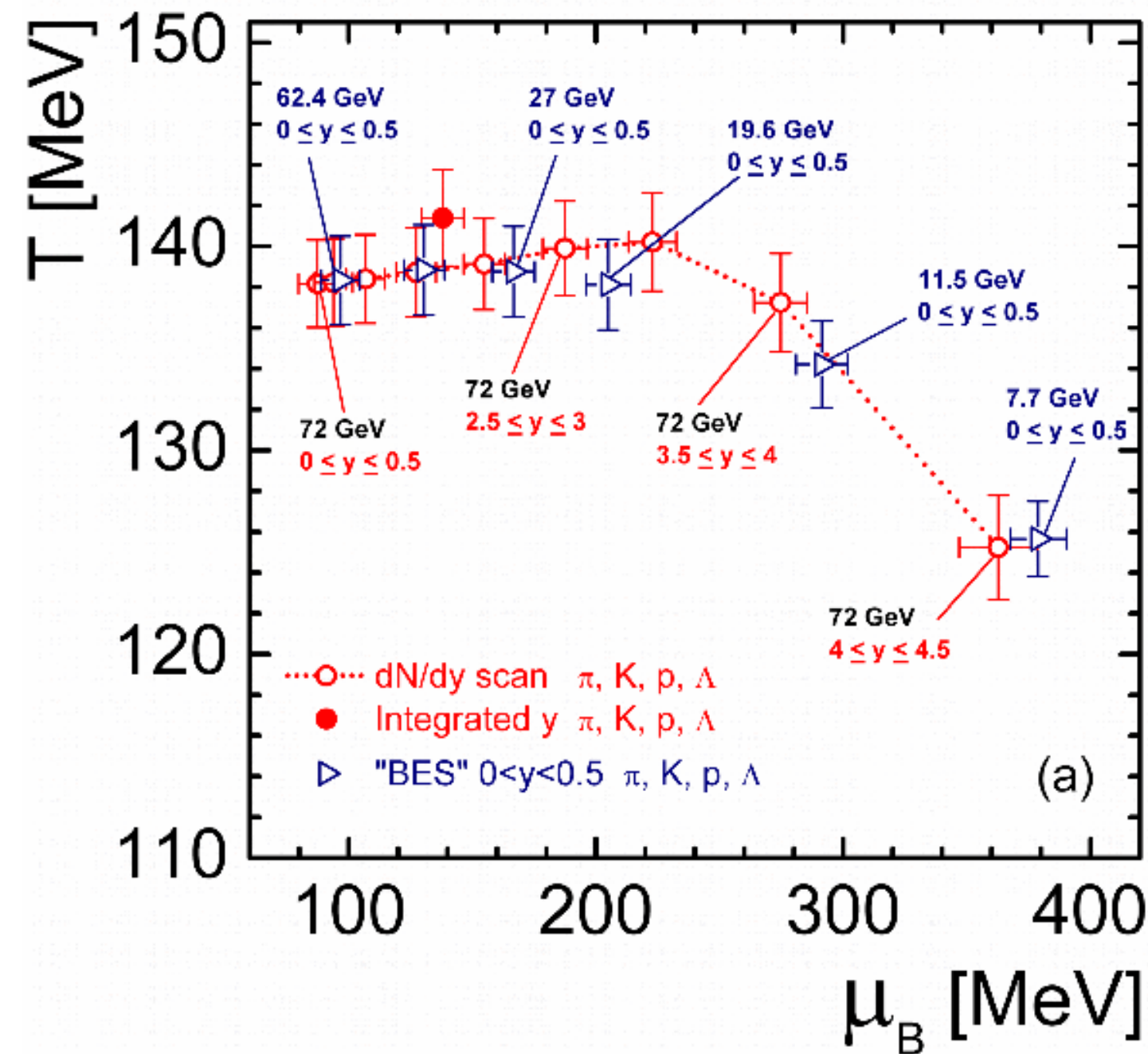
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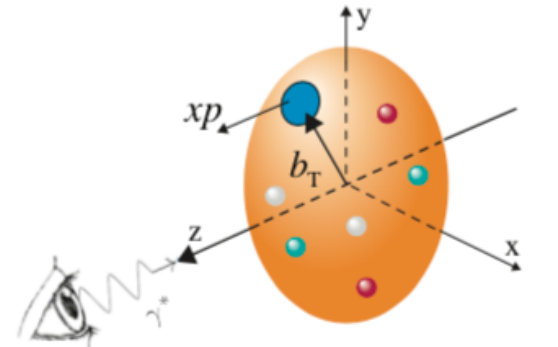
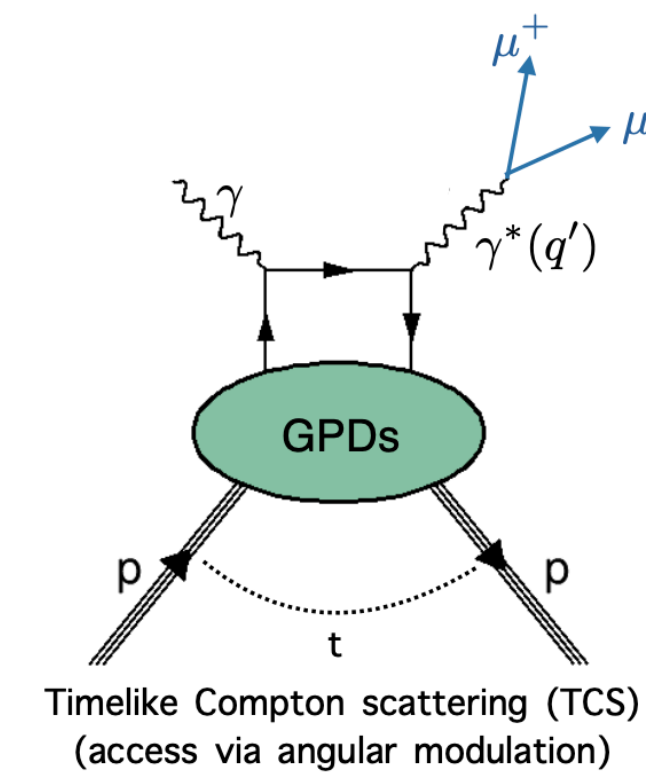
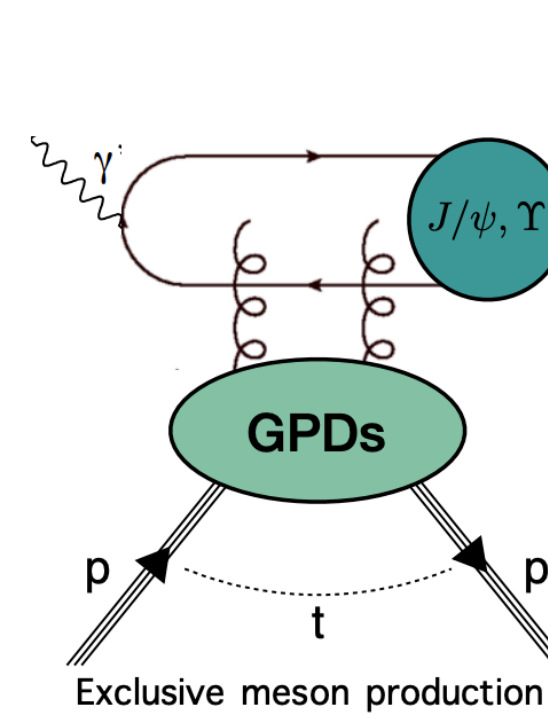
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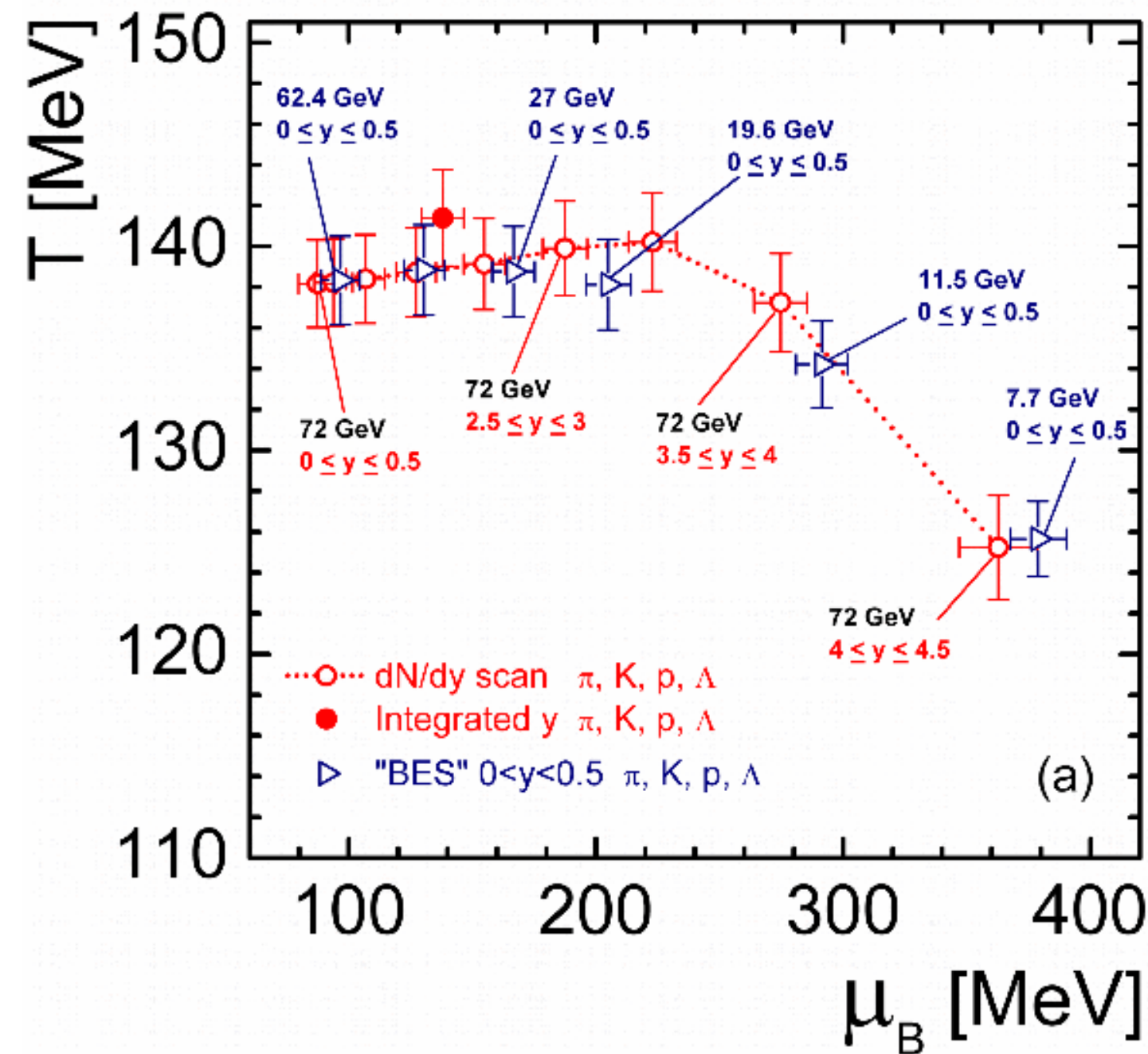
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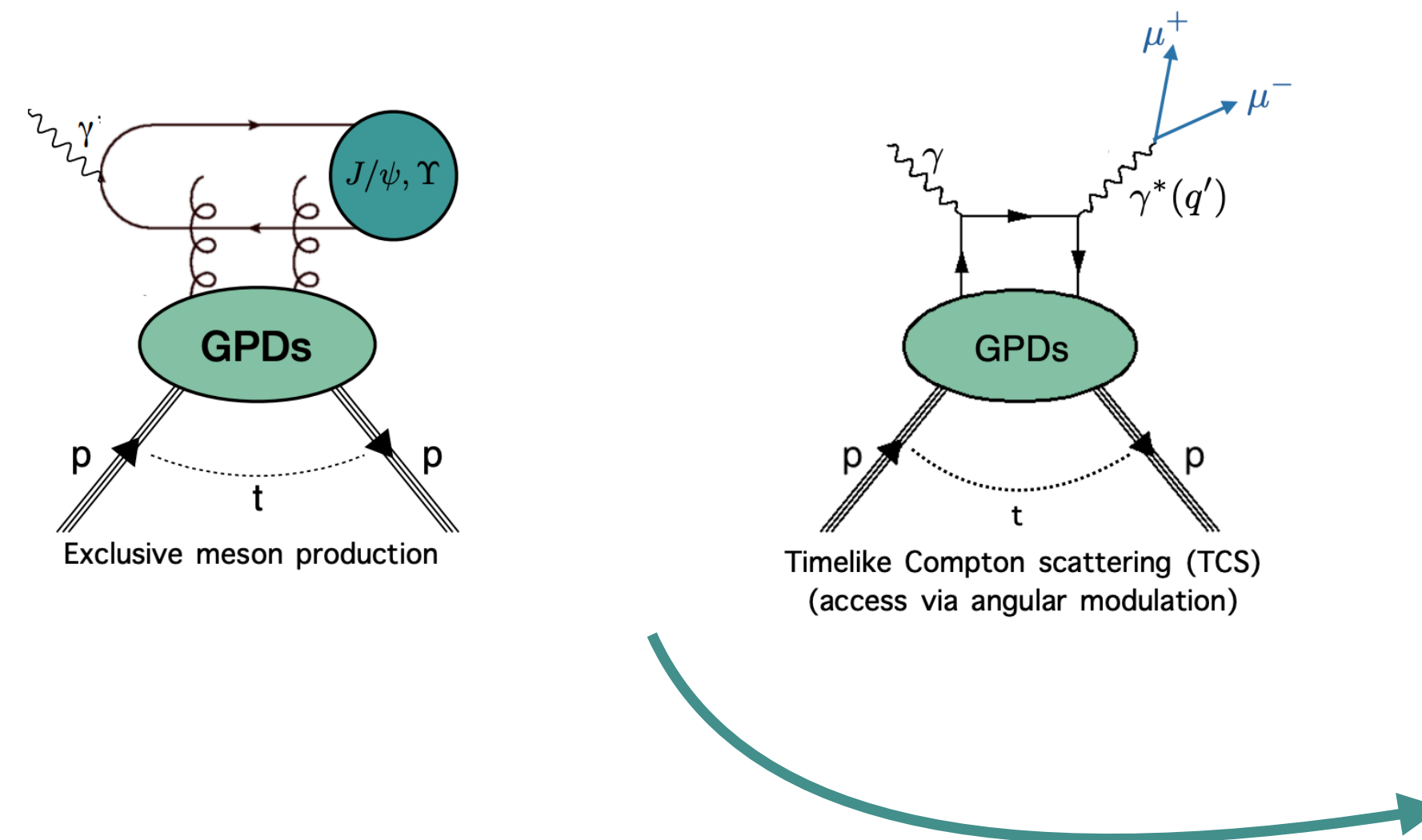
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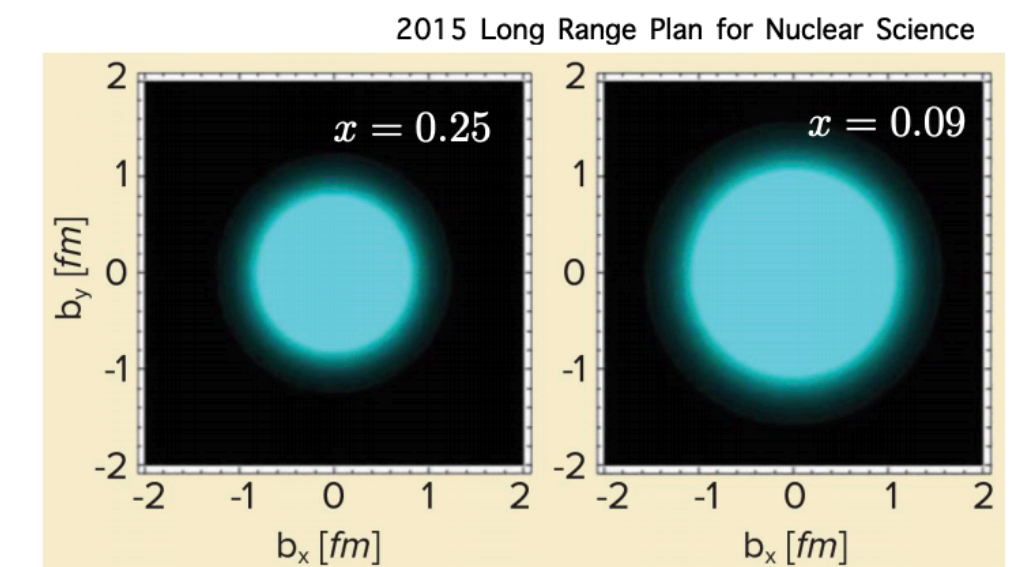
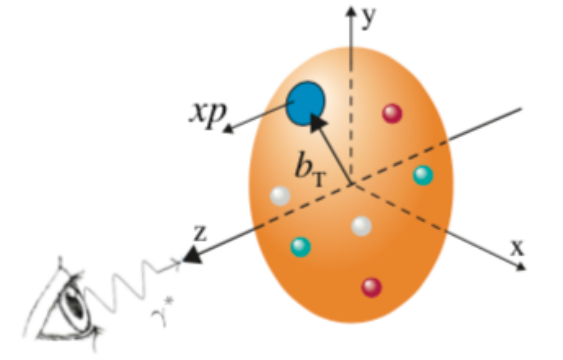


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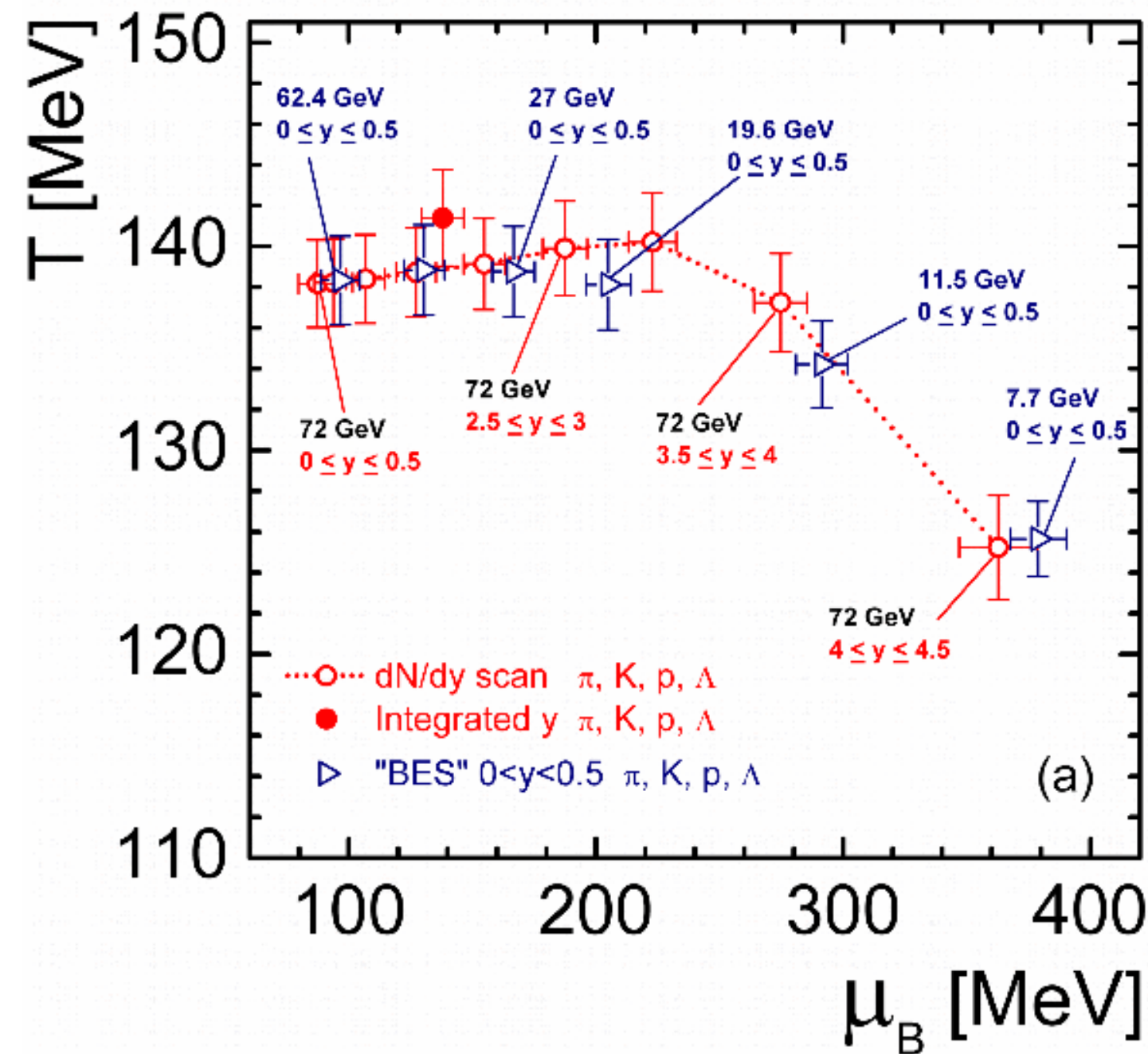
One of the objectives : 3D pictures
in impact parameter space



2015 Long Range Plan for Nuclear Science

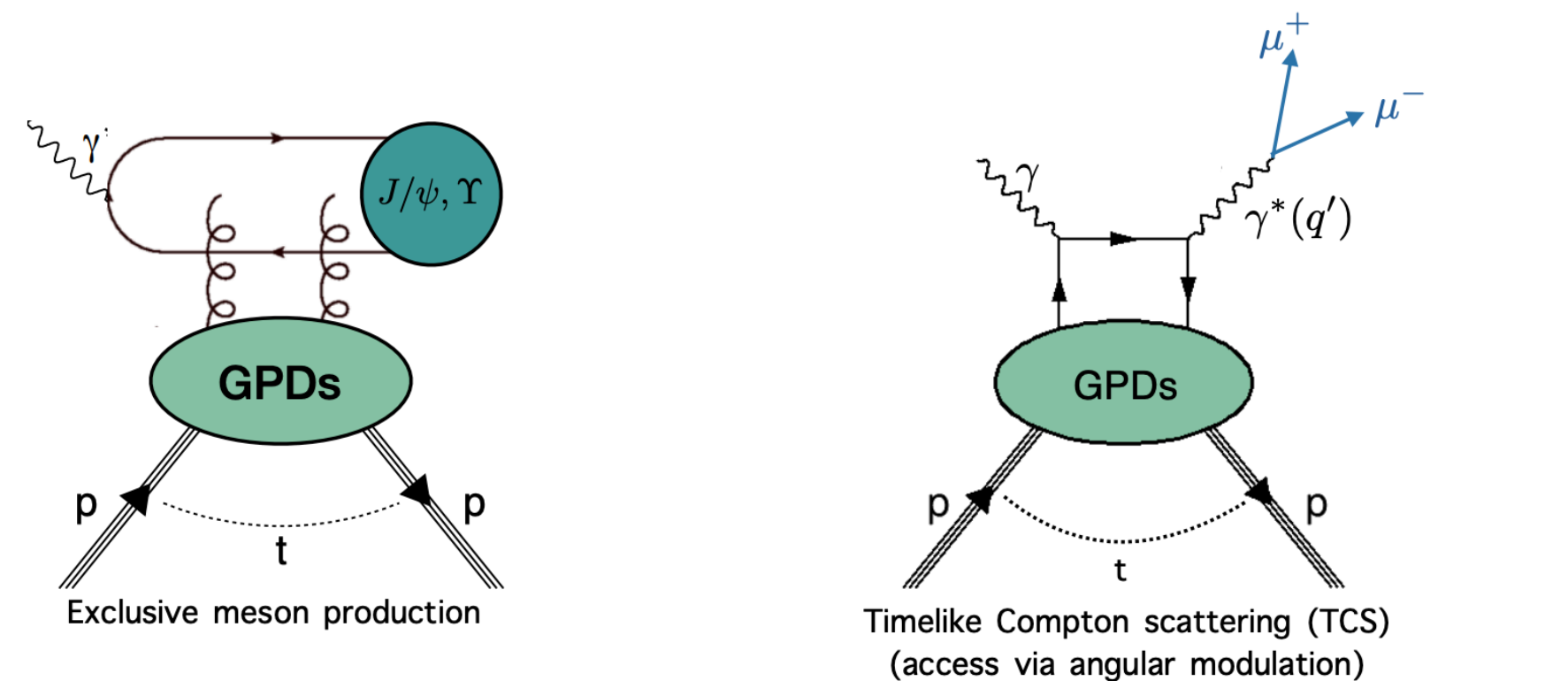
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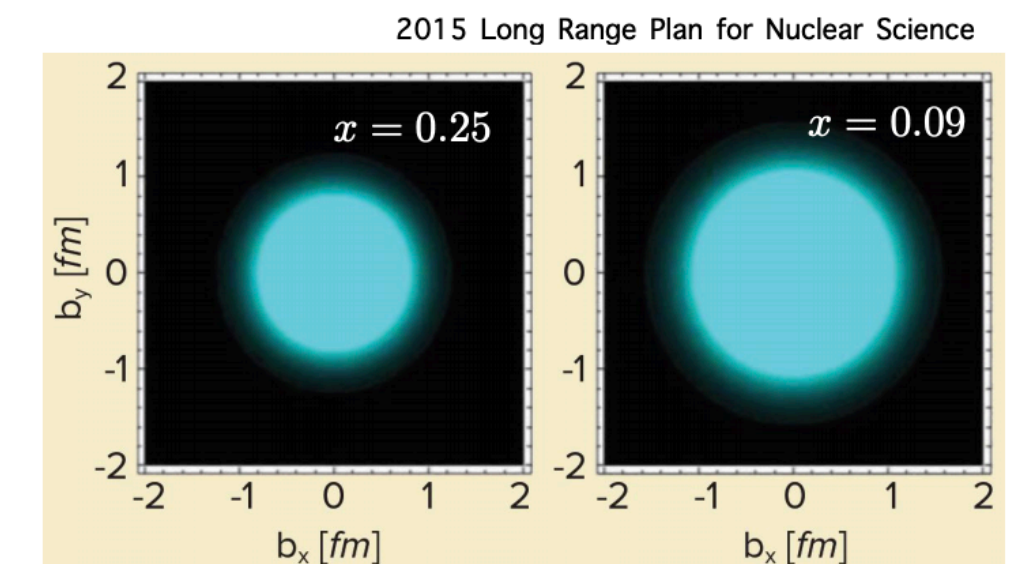
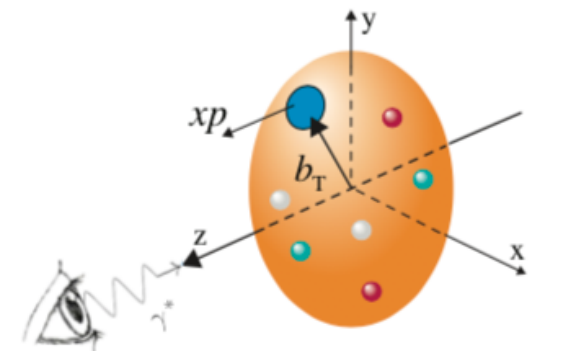


- ❖ **Rapidity scan** at 72 GeV with FT@LHCb can complement the RHIC beam energy scan.

Deep in the hadronic structure



One of the objectives : 3D pictures
in impact parameter space



- ❖ SMOG2@LHCb could probe nuclear PDFs, TMDs, GPDs at large Bjorken- x .

A technical drawing of a particle detector component, possibly a calorimeter or tracking detector, shown in a perspective view. The drawing is rendered in blue lines on a light background. It features a central cylindrical structure with various internal components and external supports. The drawing is framed by decorative corner motifs.

LHCb Upgrade II

EoI : CERN-LHCC-2017-003

Physics case : CERN-LHCC-2018-027

Upgrade I:

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

- **Pile-up = 5**

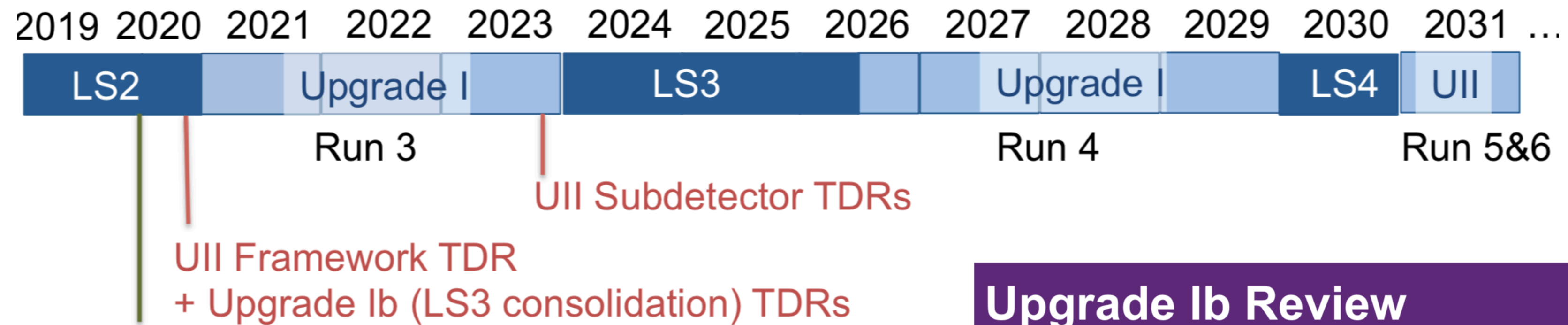


Upgrade II:

- $1.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

- **Pile-up = 42**

Phase II in a nutshell



❖ Sub detectors considering timing :

➔ Before the magnet :

- VELO, RICH1

➔ After the magnet :

- TORCH, RICH2, ECAL

Upgrade Ib Review

February & March 2019

LHCb
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LHCb-INT-2019-005
February 5, 2019

Proposal for a Magnet Tracking Station in LHCb

LHCb
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LHCb-INT-2019-006
February 11, 2019

TORCH physics performance: improving low-momentum PID performance during Upgrade IB and beyond

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LHCb-INT-2019-007
February 15, 2019

Mighty Tracker: Design studies for the downstream silicon tracker in Upgrade Ib and II

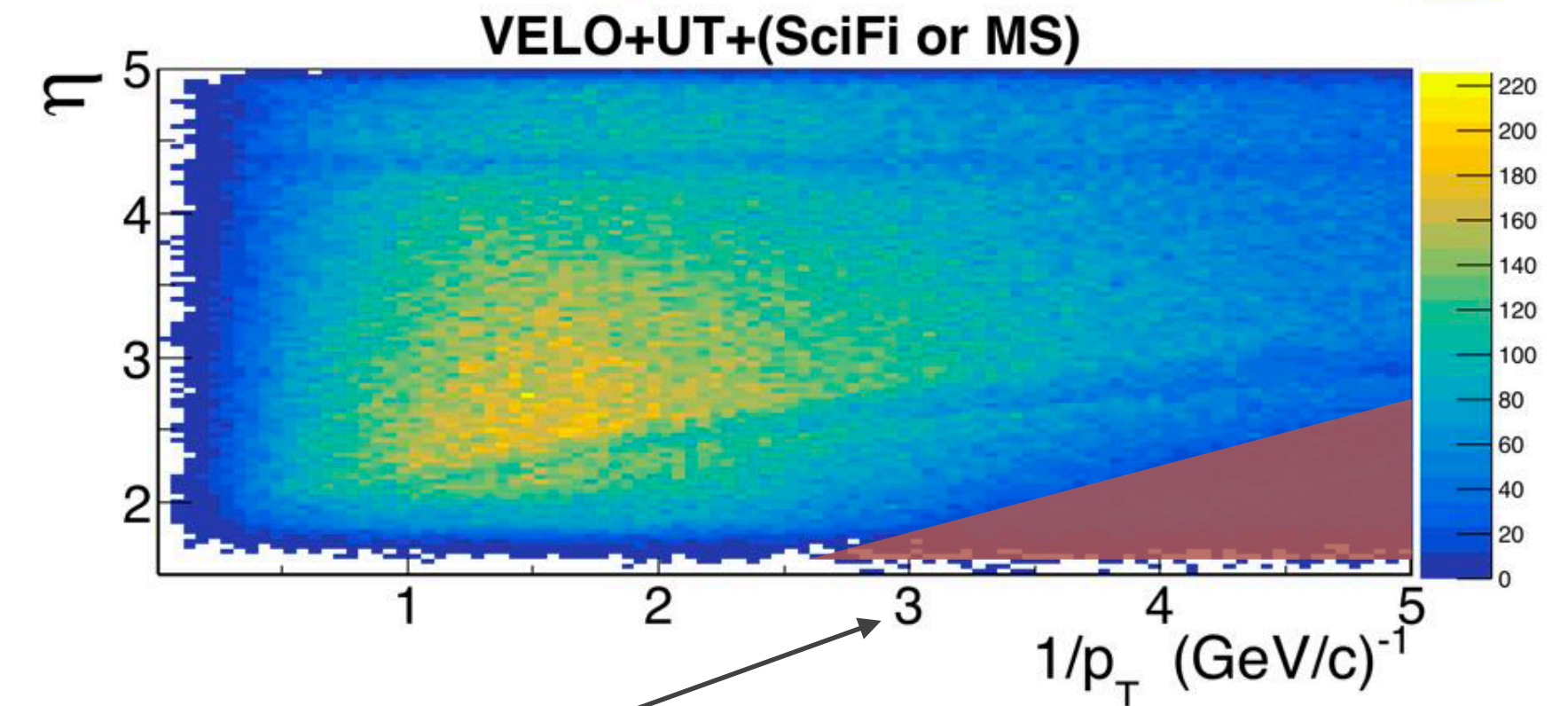
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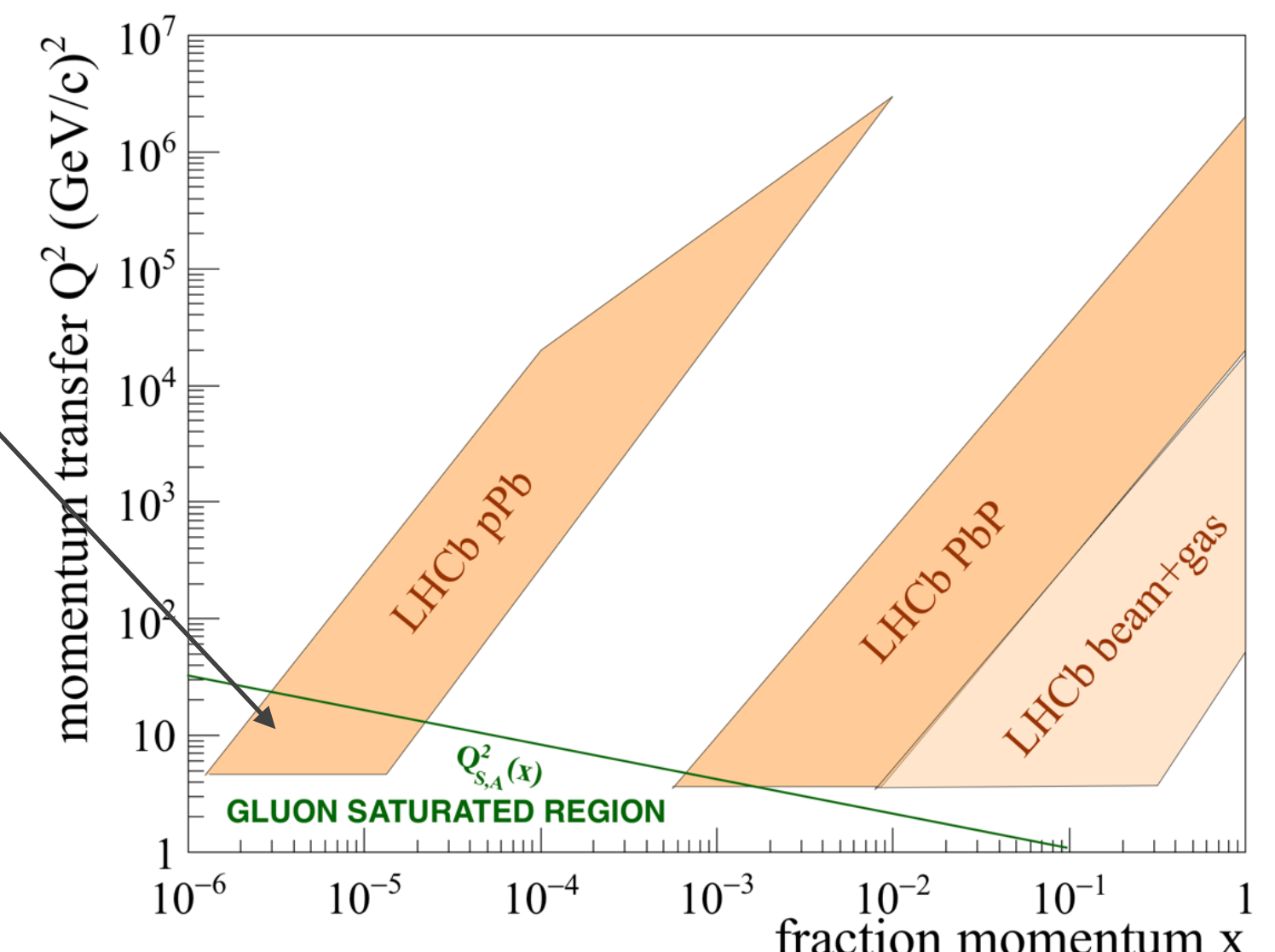
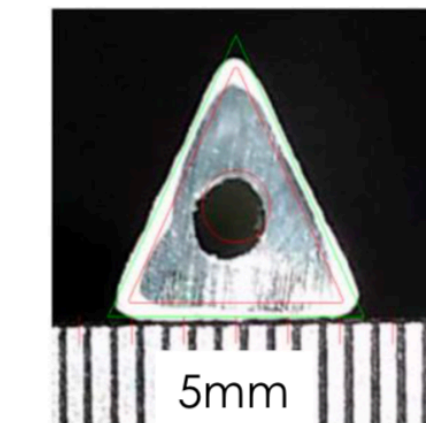
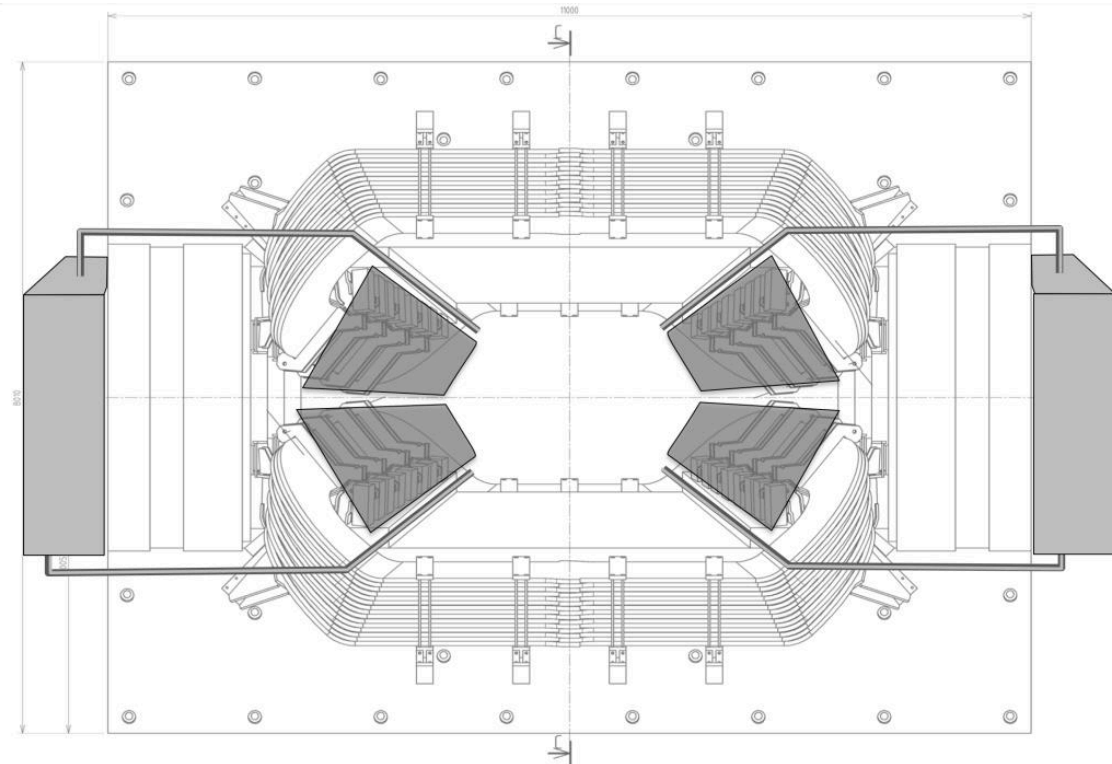
Considerations on additional shielding for the muon detector phase 2 upgrade

Magnet Tracking Station

- ❖ Proposal for tracking station inside the magnet.
 - ➔ Triangular Extruded Scintillating Bars
 - ➔ Increase coverage of low- p_T tracks.
 - ➔ Physics motivations : access to converted photons.
- ❖ **Proposing the installation of a small prototype** inside the magnet during LSIII.



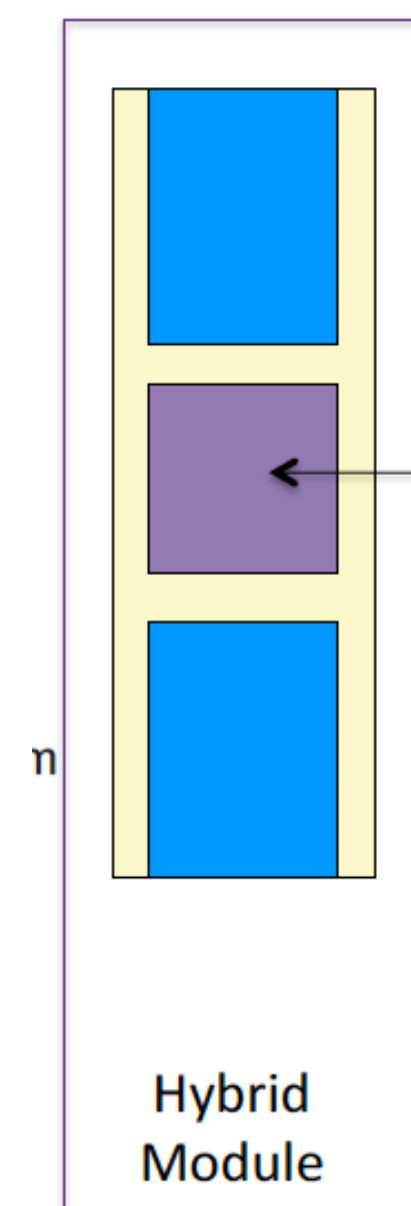
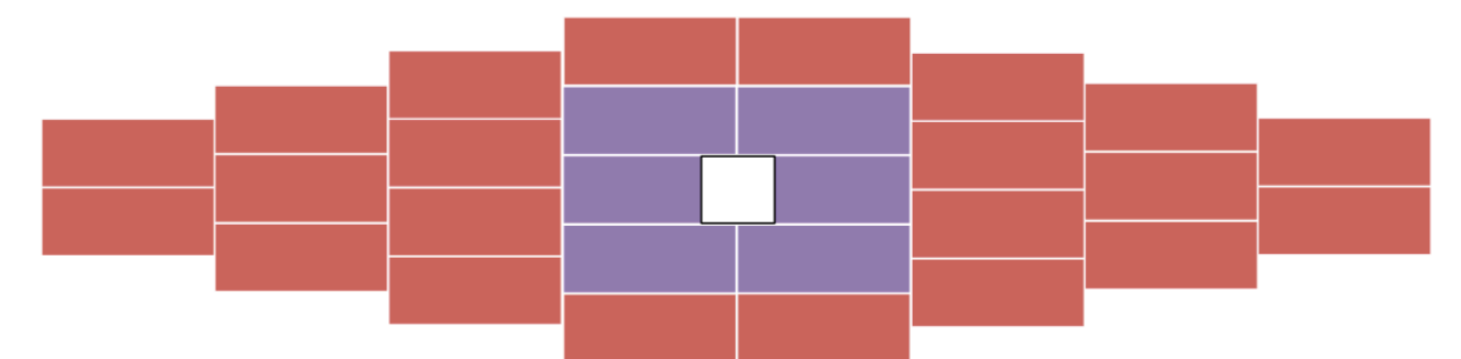
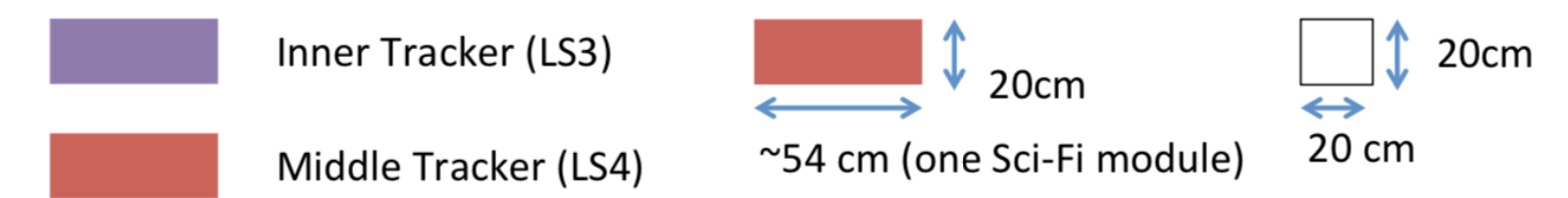
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Extended coverage



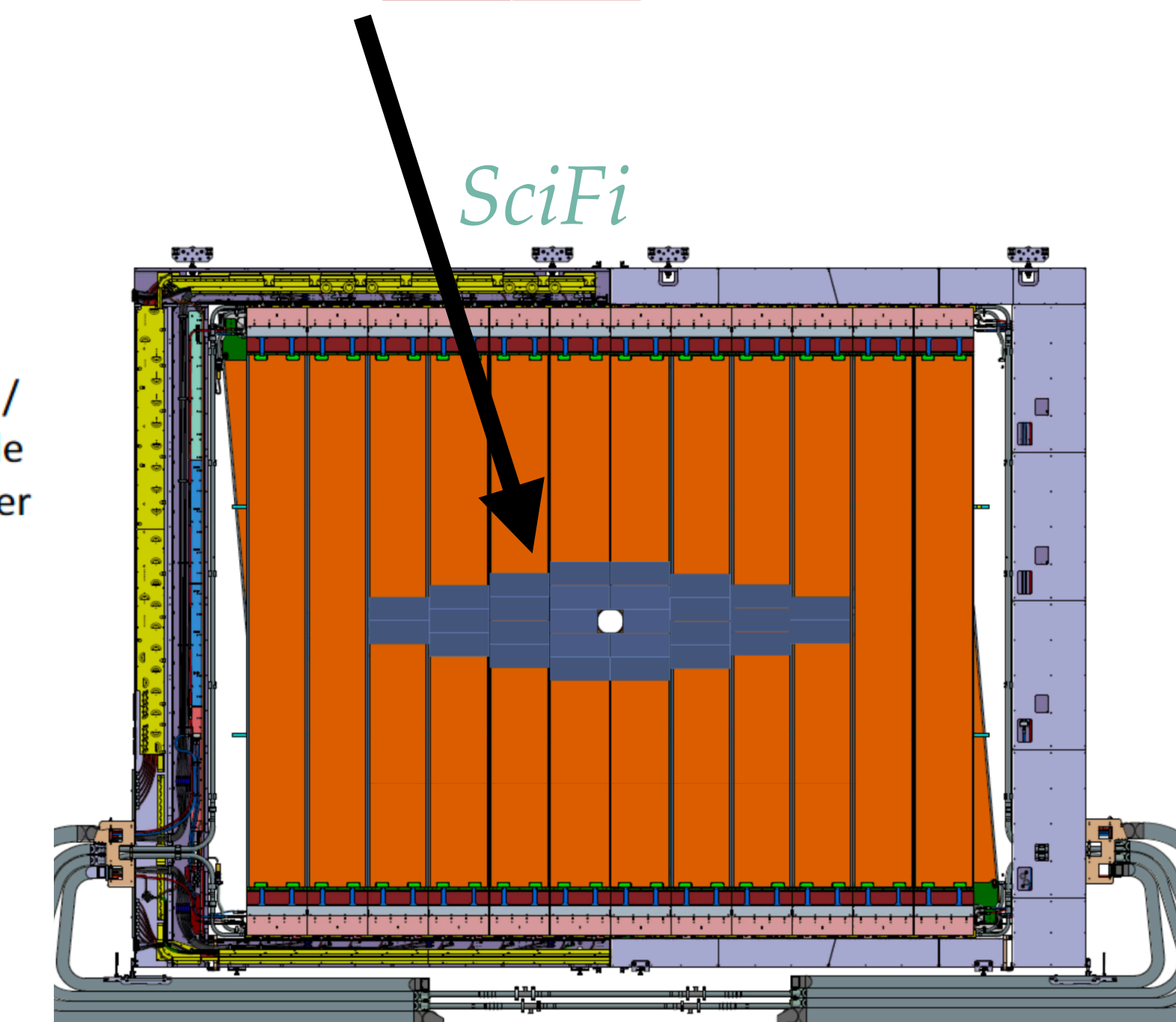
MIGHTY Tracker

LHCb-INT-2019-007

- ❖ MIGHTY tracker : biggest silicon tracker built by LHCb.
 - ➔ Upgrade 1b: Inner Tracker + Scifi.
 - DMAPs technology for silicon sensors.
 - ➔ Upgrade II: New mighty silicon tracker covering larger area.
 - Rebuild of SciFi + reuse IT.
- ❖ Hybrid technology detector, many challenges !
- ❖ First estimations show **no limitation in centrality reach with the complete MIGHTY.**



Inner / Middle Tracker



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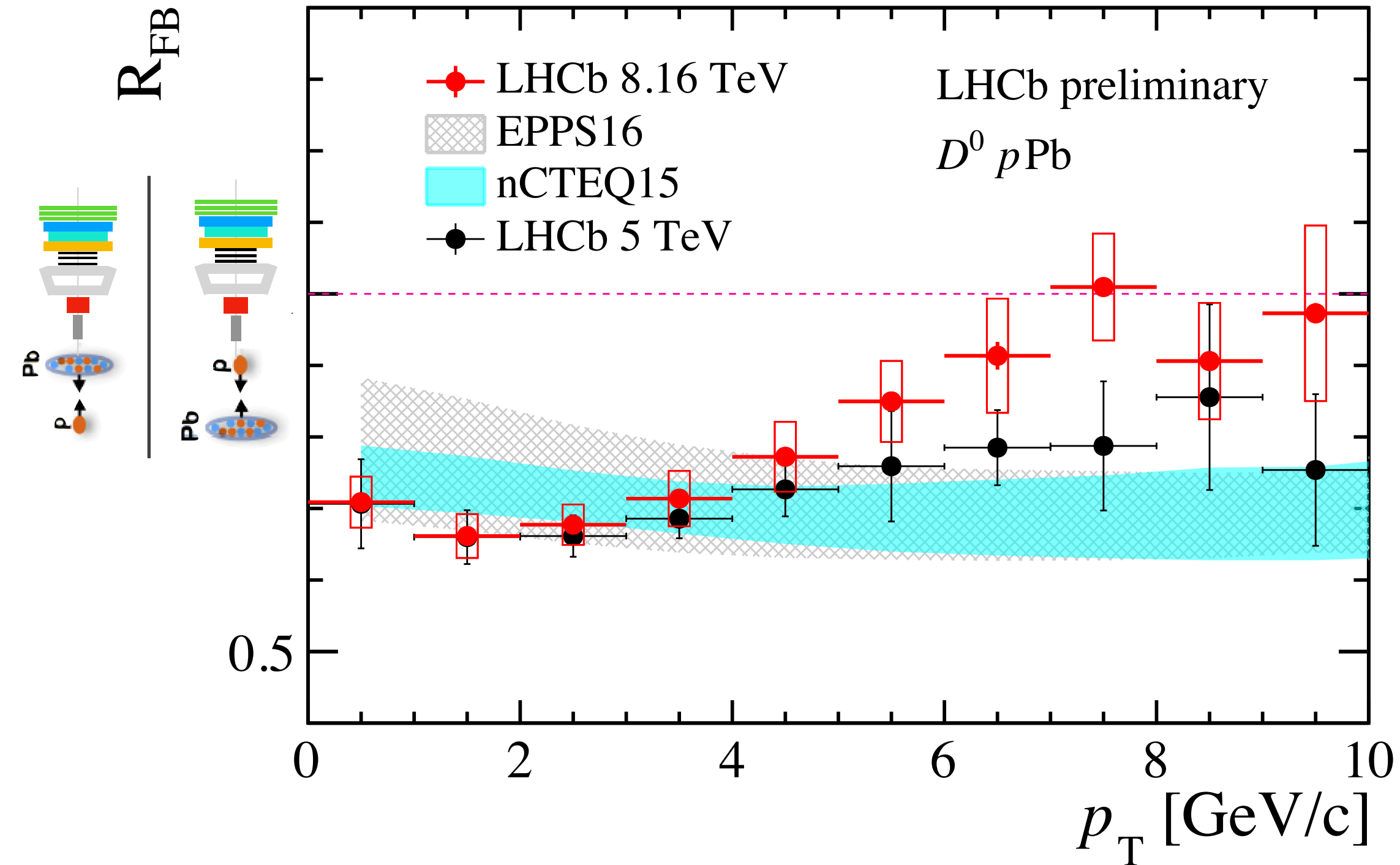
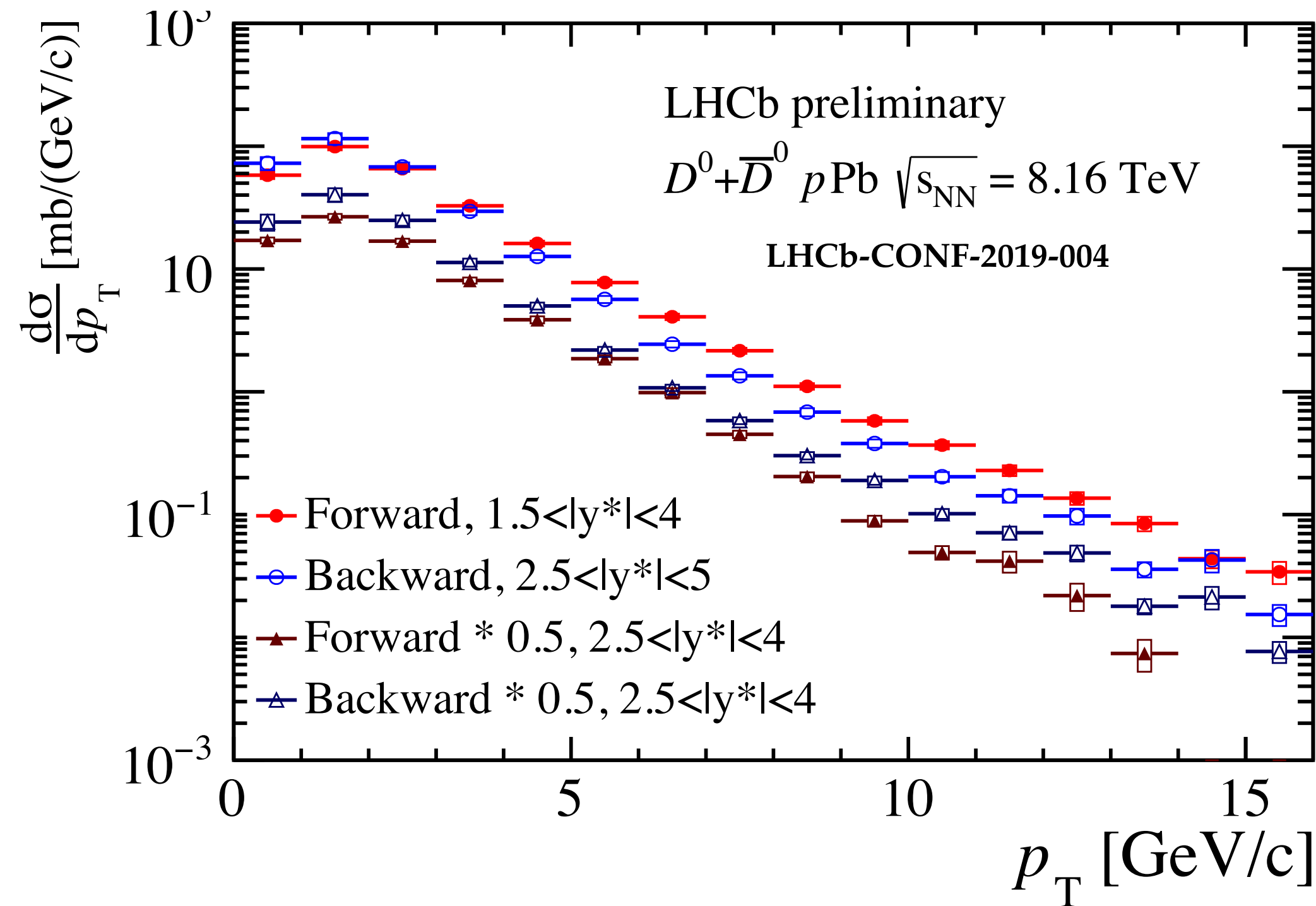
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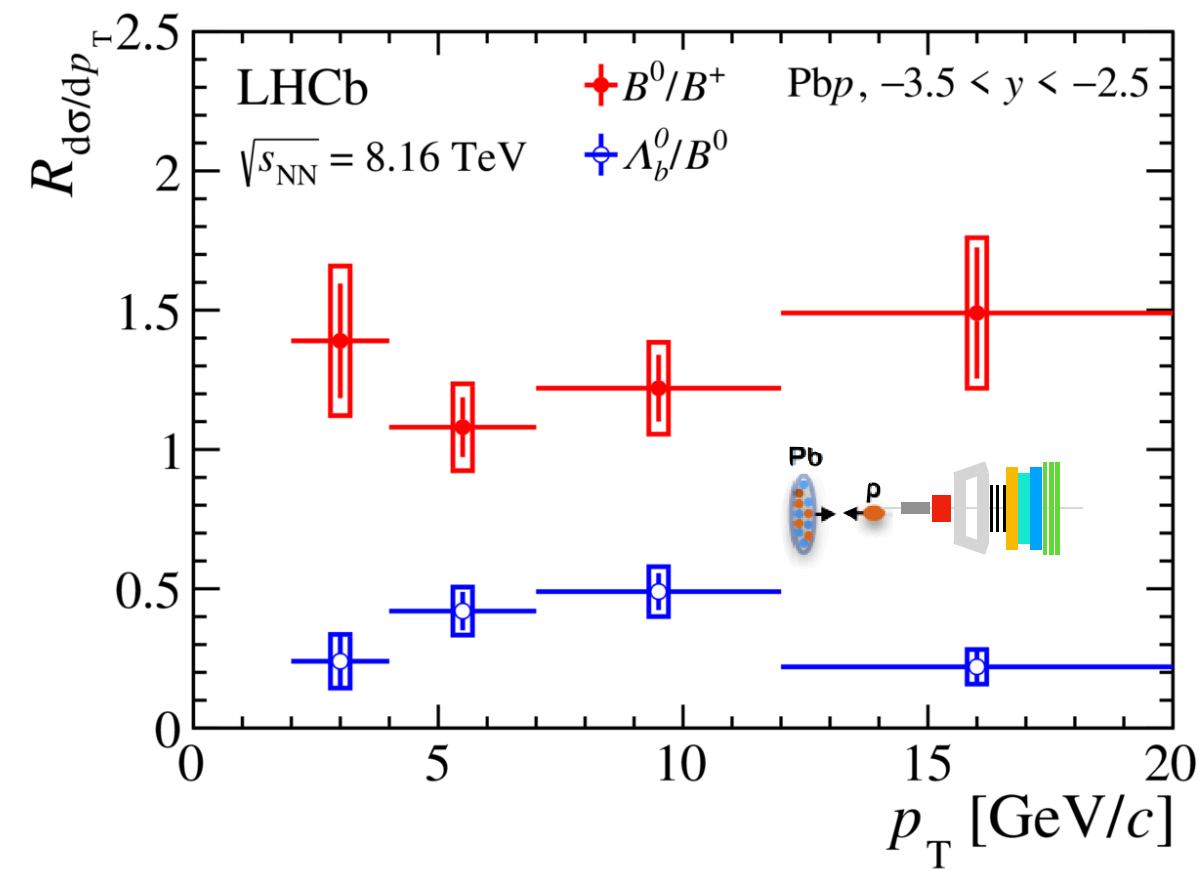
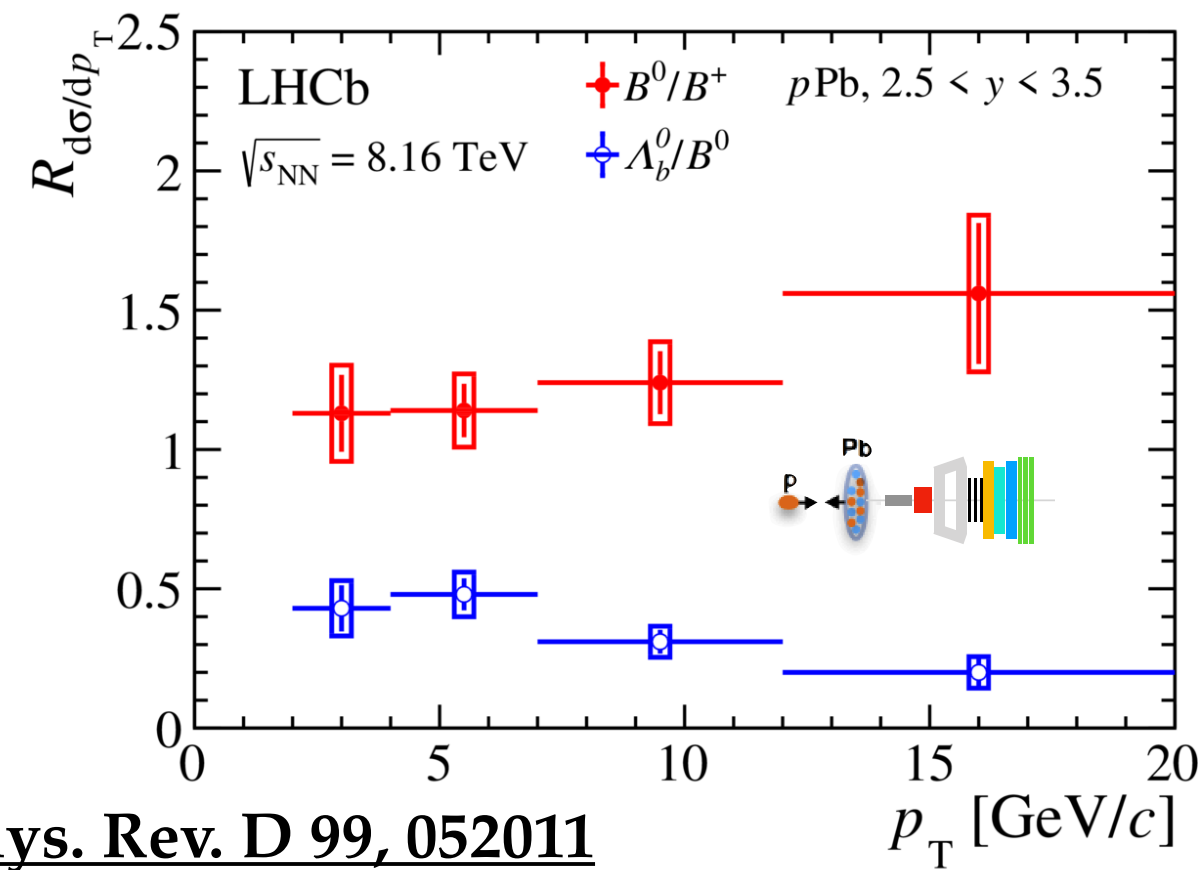
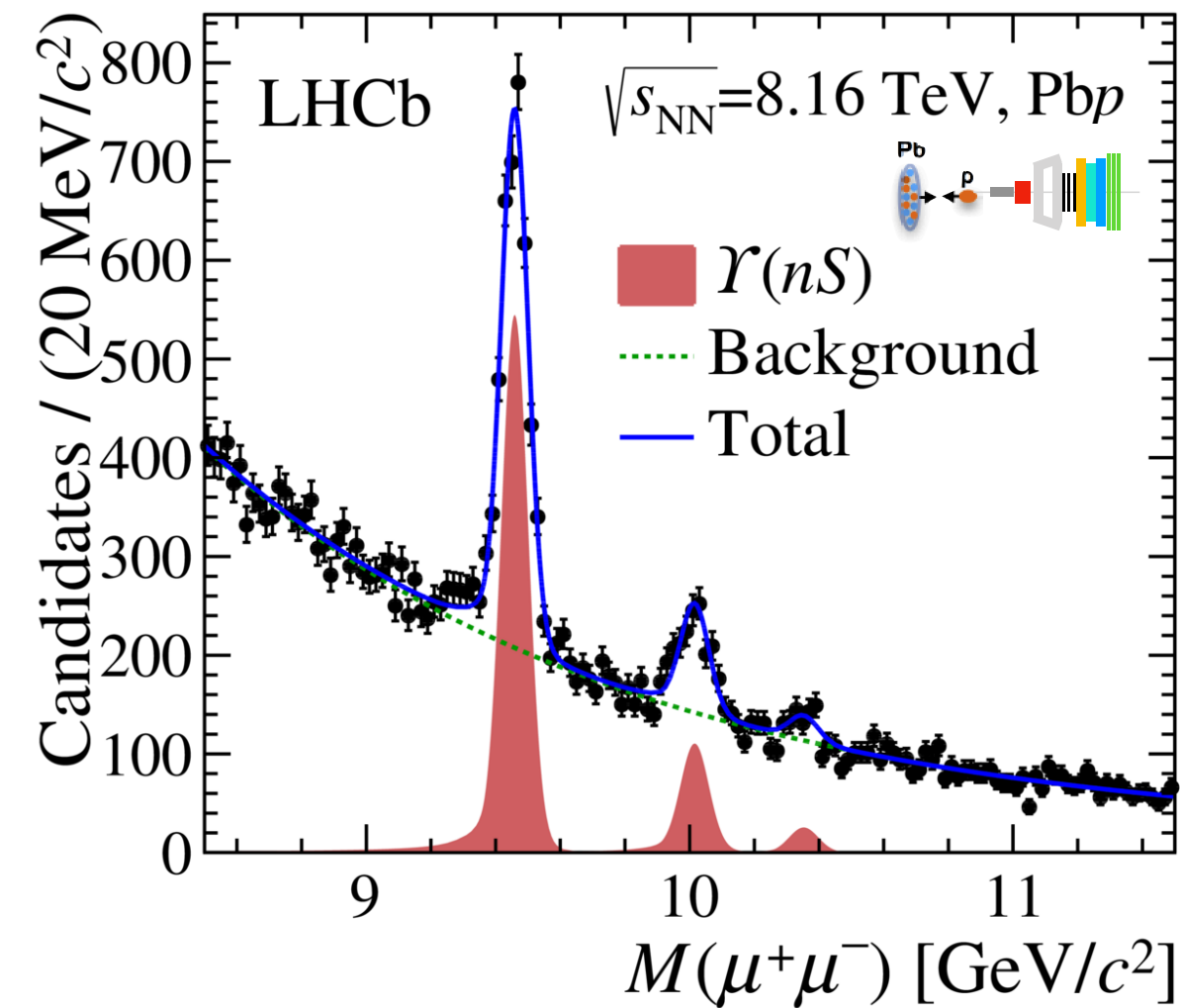
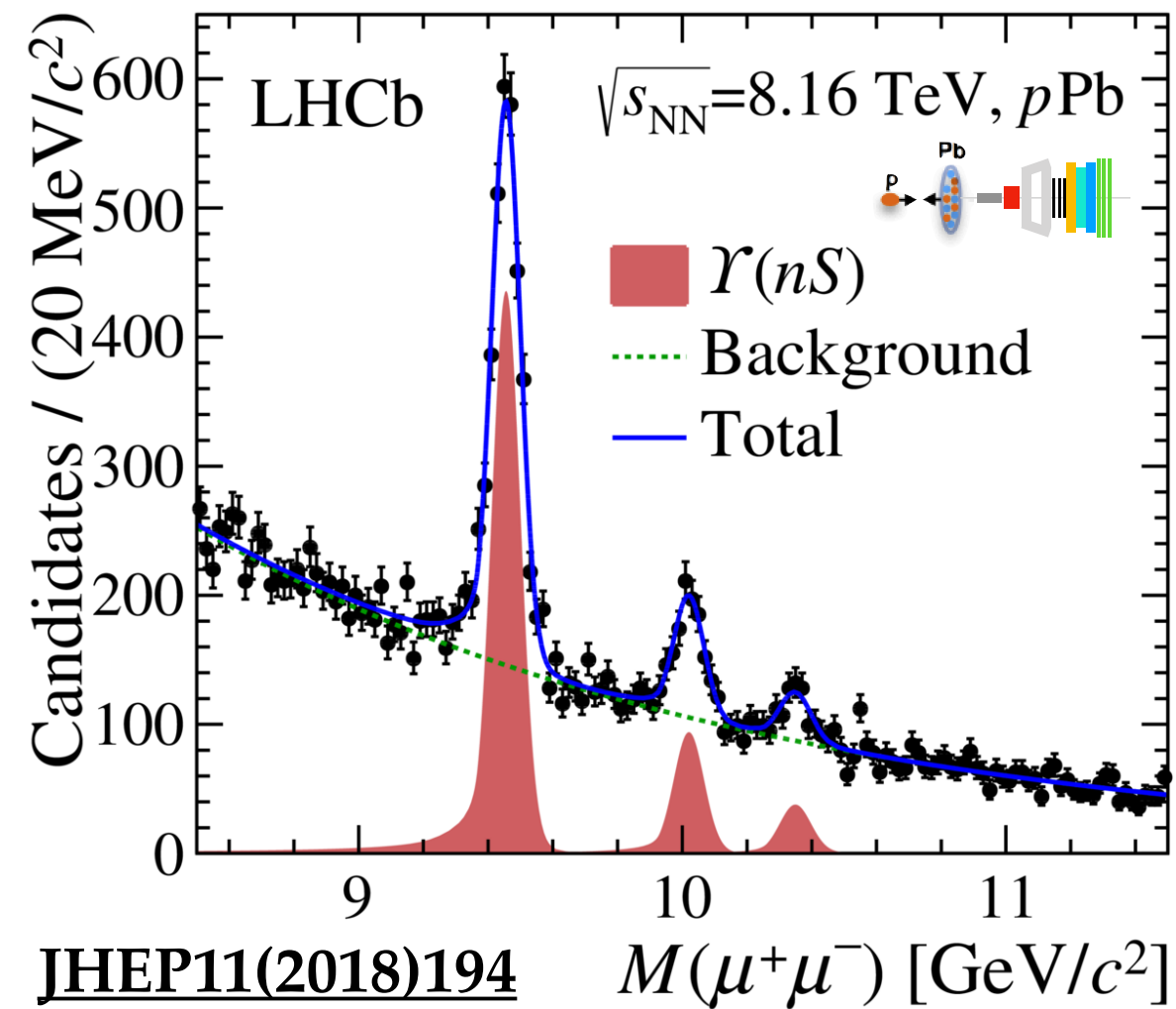
Back-up

Open and hidden charm production in pPb collisions



- ❖ **Preliminary results for D^0 cross-section** in pPb/Pbp collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8$ TeV **up to $p_T = 16$ GeV/c**.
- ❖ **Improved statistics** by factor 20 compared to previous LHCb results.
- ❖ **Tension between data and nPDFs predictions. Additional effects required.**

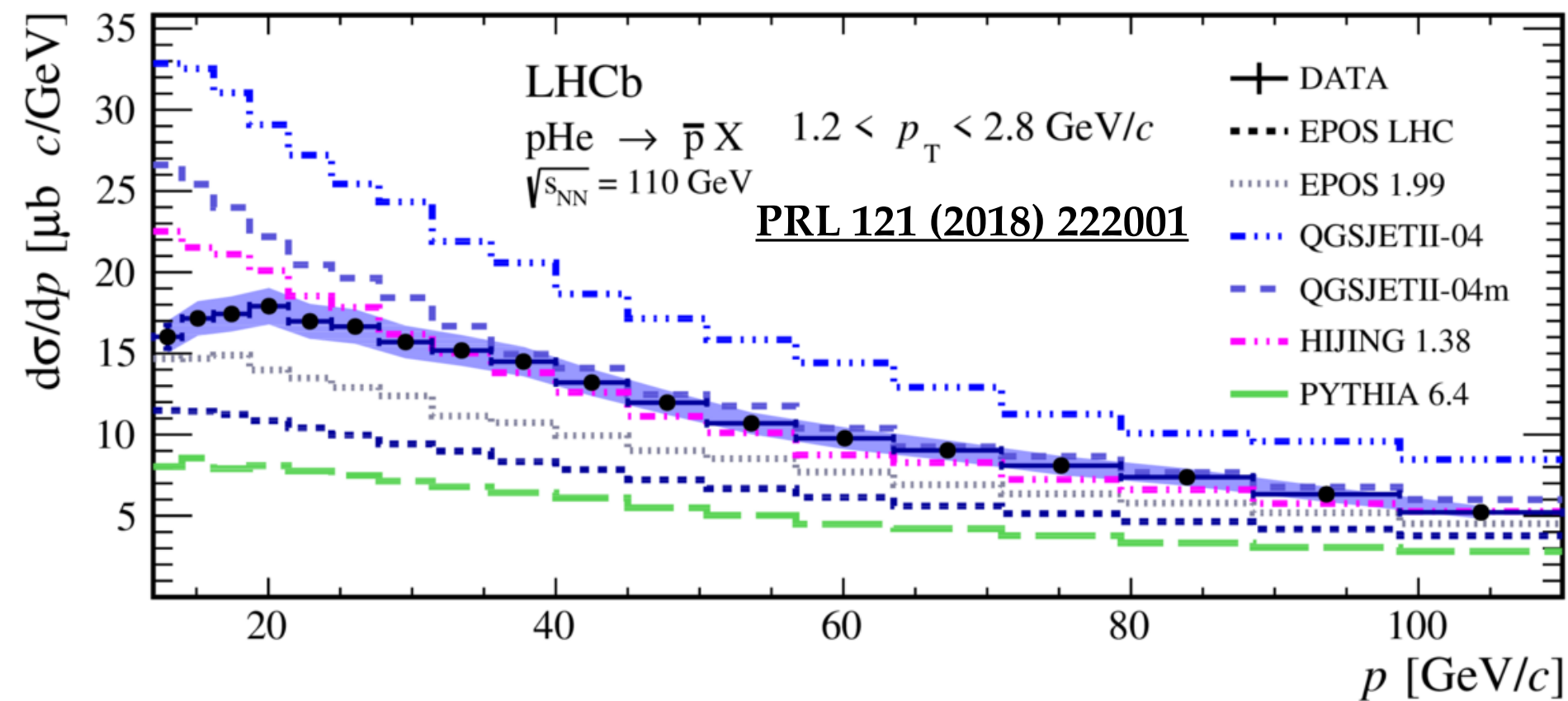
Open and hidden beauty production in pPb collisions



- ❖ Relative production of upsilon states to test cold (hot ?) nuclear matter effects in pPb collisions.
- ❖ **Relative $\gamma(2S)/\gamma(1S)$ and $\gamma(3S)/\gamma(1S)$ suppression** measured in pPb and Pbp at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8$ TeV down to zero p_T .
- ❖ **Good agreement** between data and predictions when including co-movers effects.
- ❖ **Beauty mesons and baryon measured in pPb/Pbp** collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8$ TeV
- ❖ Extensive studies show **good agreement** between data and model predictions

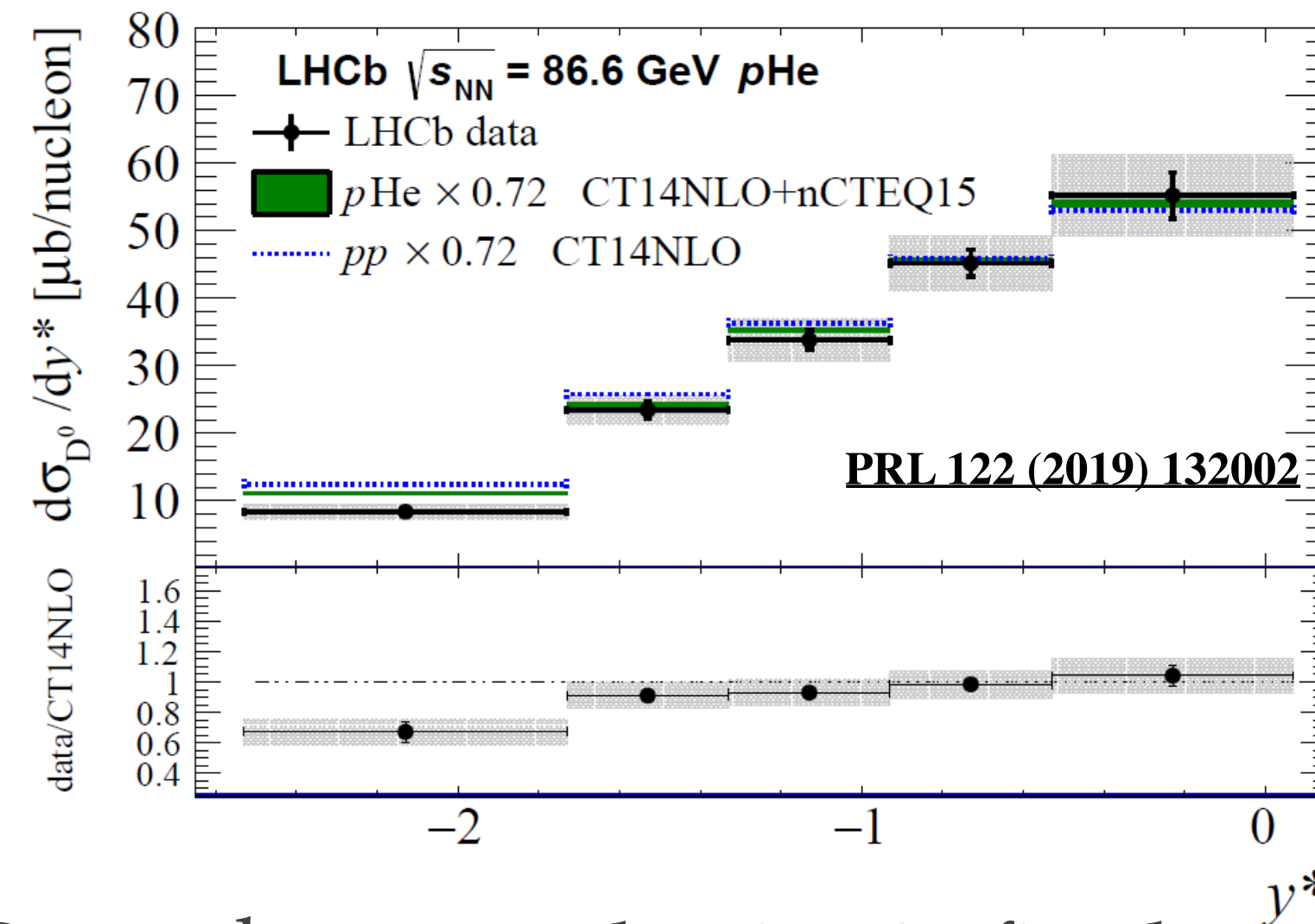
Fixed-target results

Antiproton in pHe at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 110$ GeV



- ❖ Antiproton cross-sections in pHe : key to constrain dark matter search in cosmic flux.
 - ➔ Data constrain extrapolations from pp to pHe cross-sections.
 - ➔ Data constrain empirical parameterization for scaling violation of cross-sections.

Charm in pHe at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 86.6$ GeV

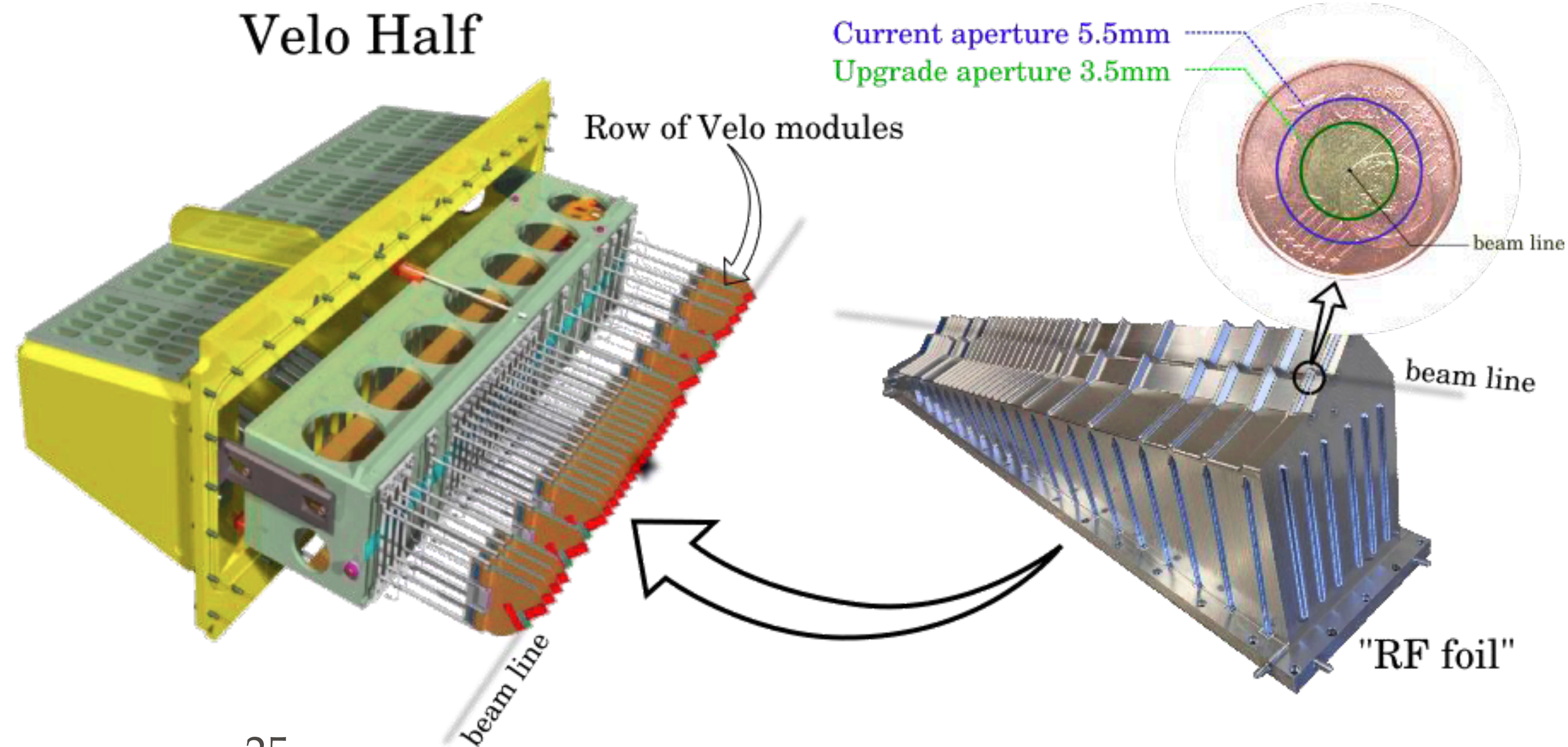
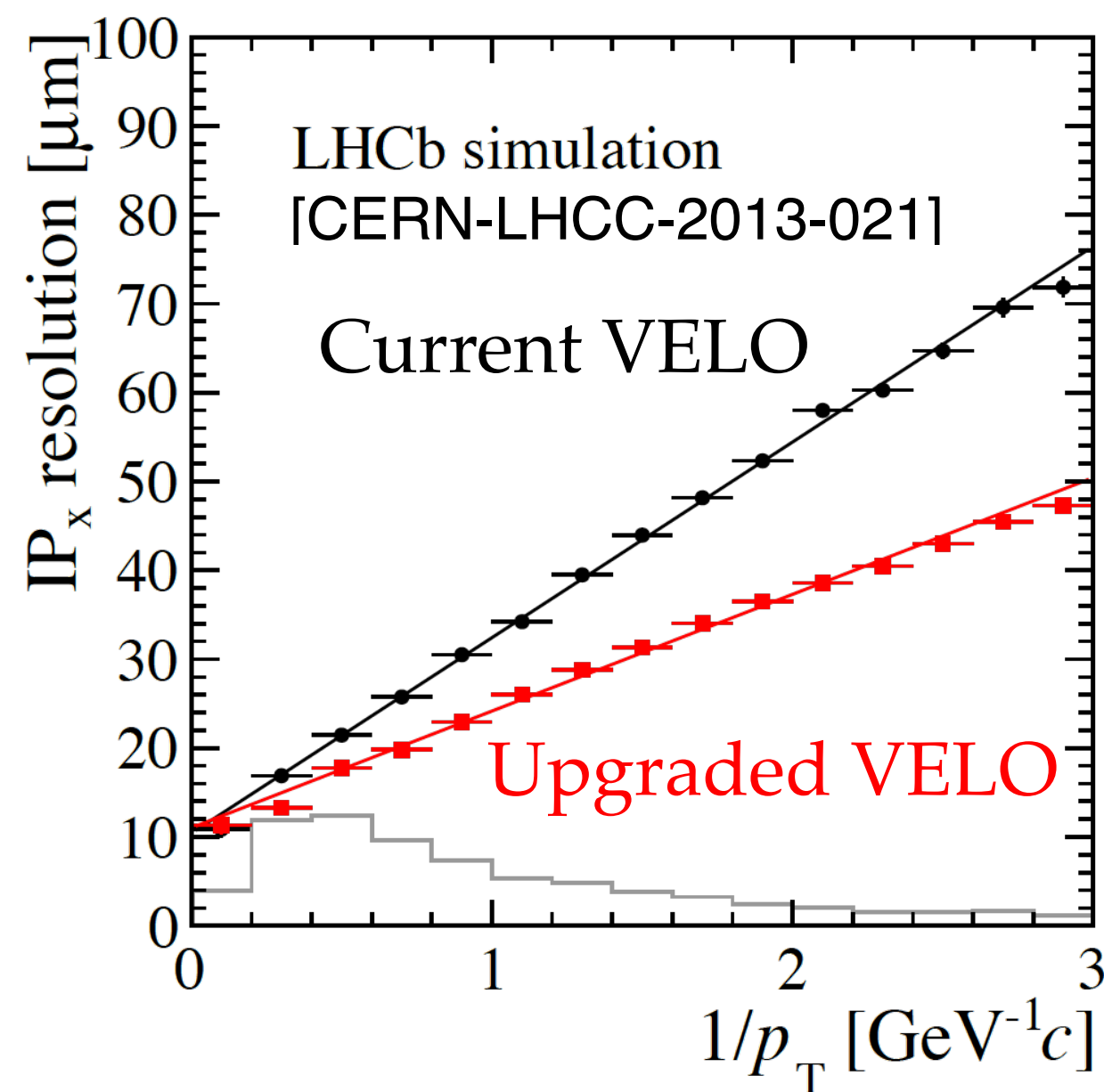


Felipe Garcia - poster

- ❖ Open-charm production in fixed-target LHCb acceptance : access to **anti-shadowing** and **intrinsic charm** content in the nucleons.
- ❖ **Precise** J/ψ and D^0 measurements in pHe.
- ❖ **Good agreement** between data and theory with **no strong intrinsic charm** contribution observed.

Tracking system: Vertex Locator (VELO)

- ❖ Silicon pixel detector, **41 M 55 x 55 μm^2 pixels.**
- ❖ Closest pixels at 5.1 mm from the beam line.
- ❖ Aluminium foil to protect the Velo without interfering with the beam.
- ❖ Sensors to be kept $< -20^\circ\text{C}$
- ❖ **Total data rate : 2.8 Tb/s**



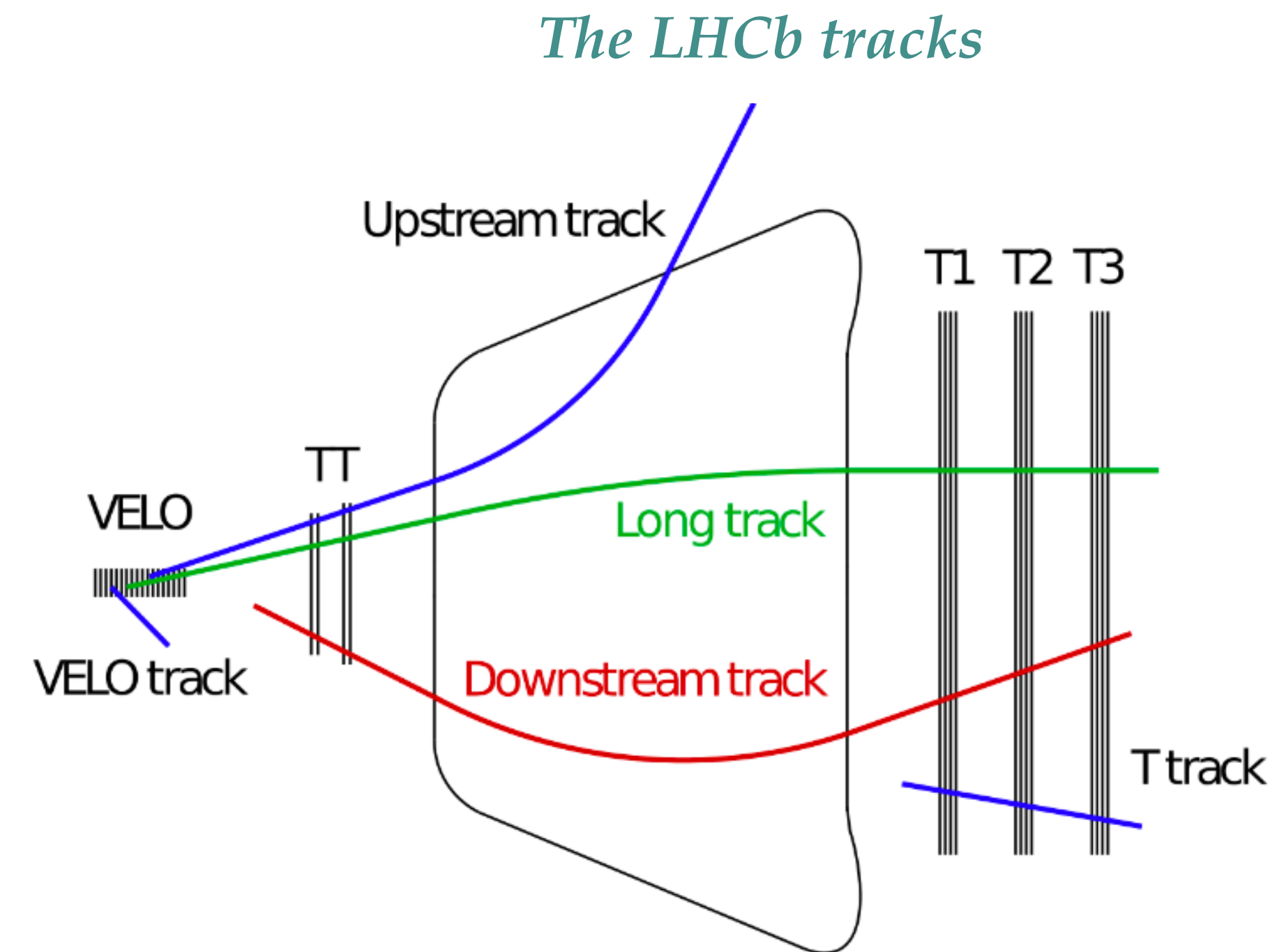
Tracking in LHCb

❖ Many types of tracks in LHCb, the most important ones are

- Long tracks.
- Downstream tracks

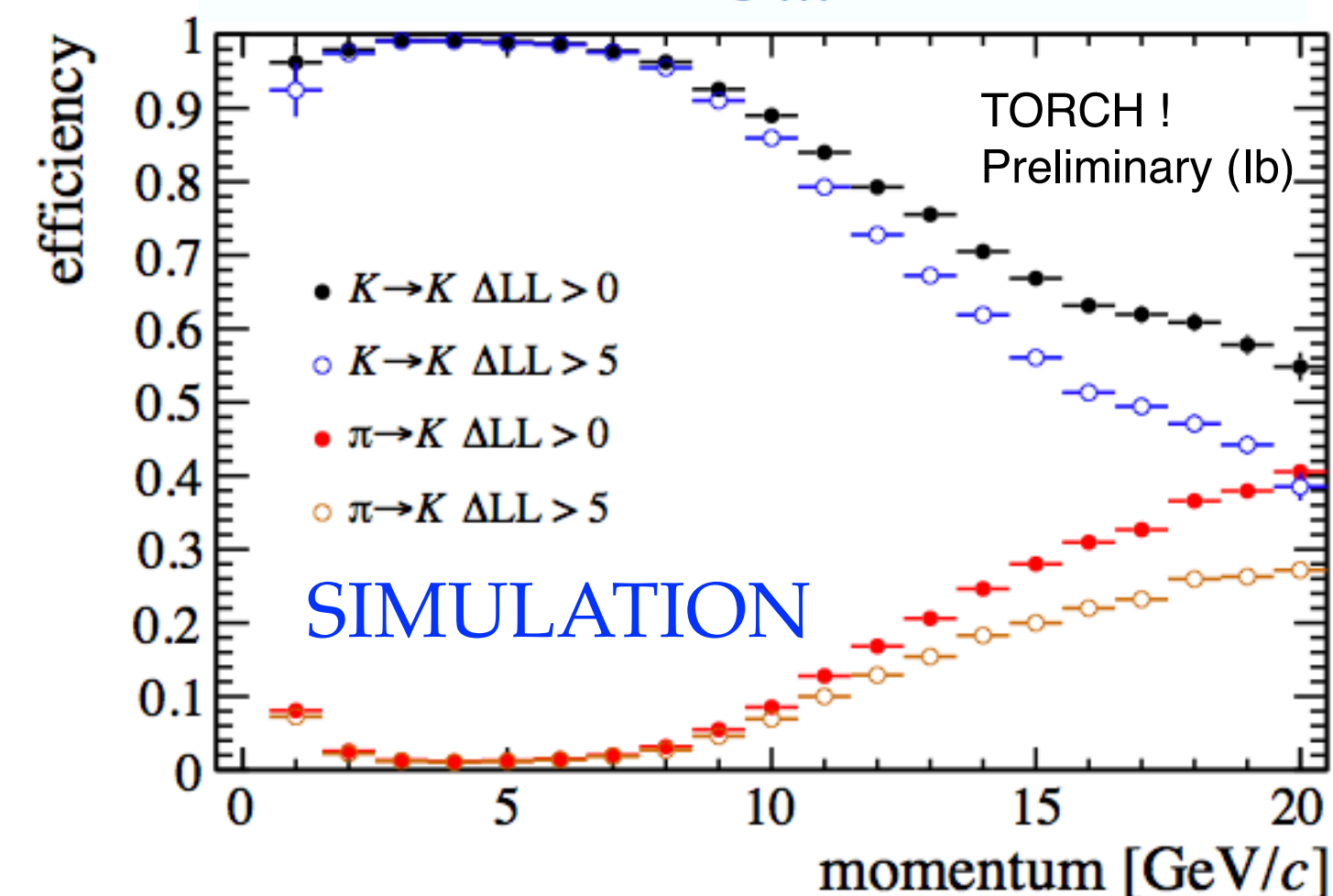
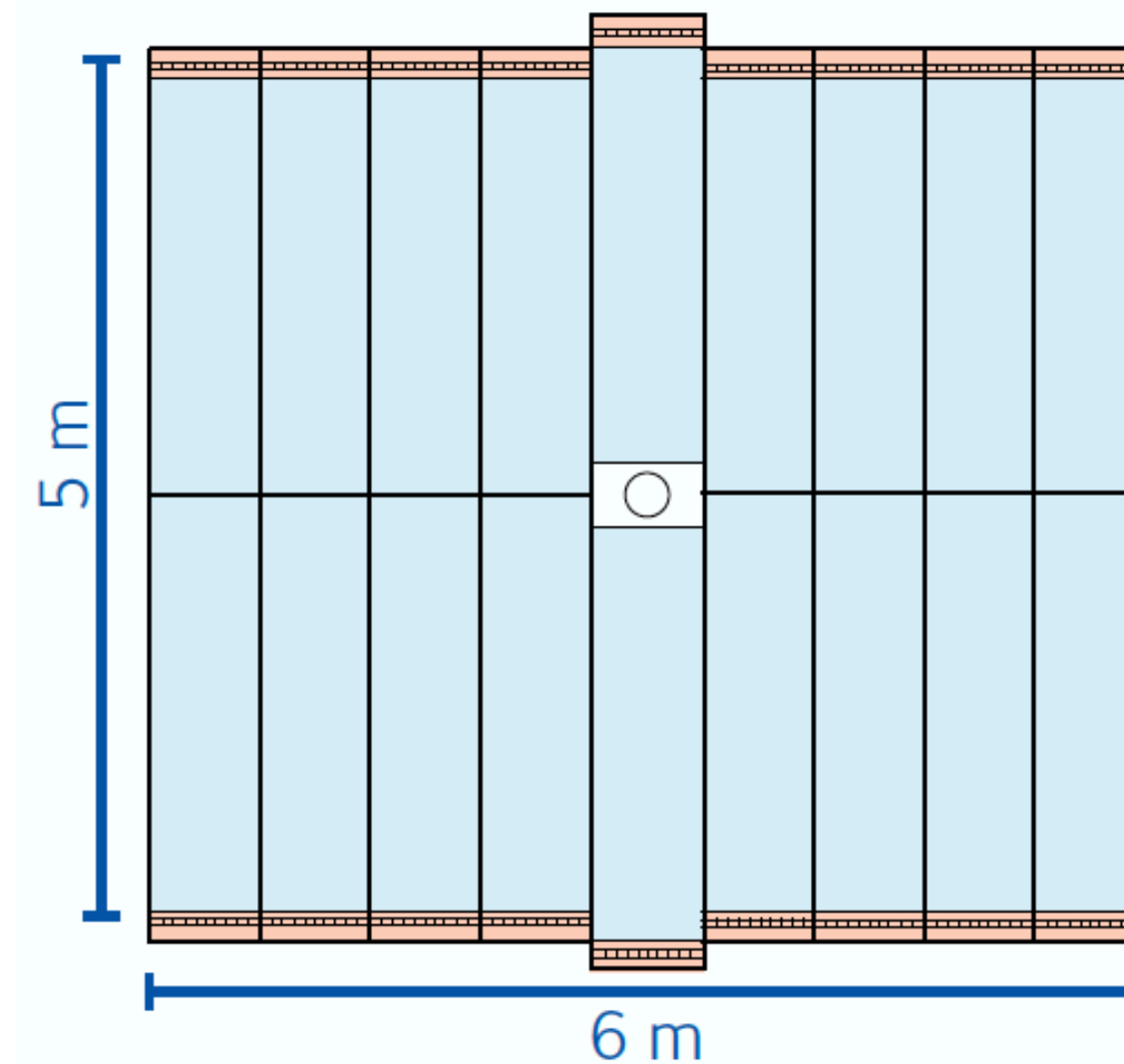
❖ Tracking steps :

- Finding a track : Forward Tracking algorithm.
 - Combine VELO seeds with hits in the T-stations
 - Match VELO tracks and seeds from T-stations
- Fitting a track : Kalman filter.



TORCH - Low momentum PID

- ❖ TORCH is a large area time of flight detector that is designed to provide PID in the GeV/c momentum range
 - Considered for use in Upgrade Ib.
 - Exploit prompt production of Cherenkov light in a quartz radiator plate to provide a fast timing signal.
 - Aim for a resolution of 10-15 ps per track
 - A large-scale prototype has been developed.
 - Test-beam ongoing
 - **Good separation between $\pi/K/p$ is possible in 2-10 GeV/c range.**



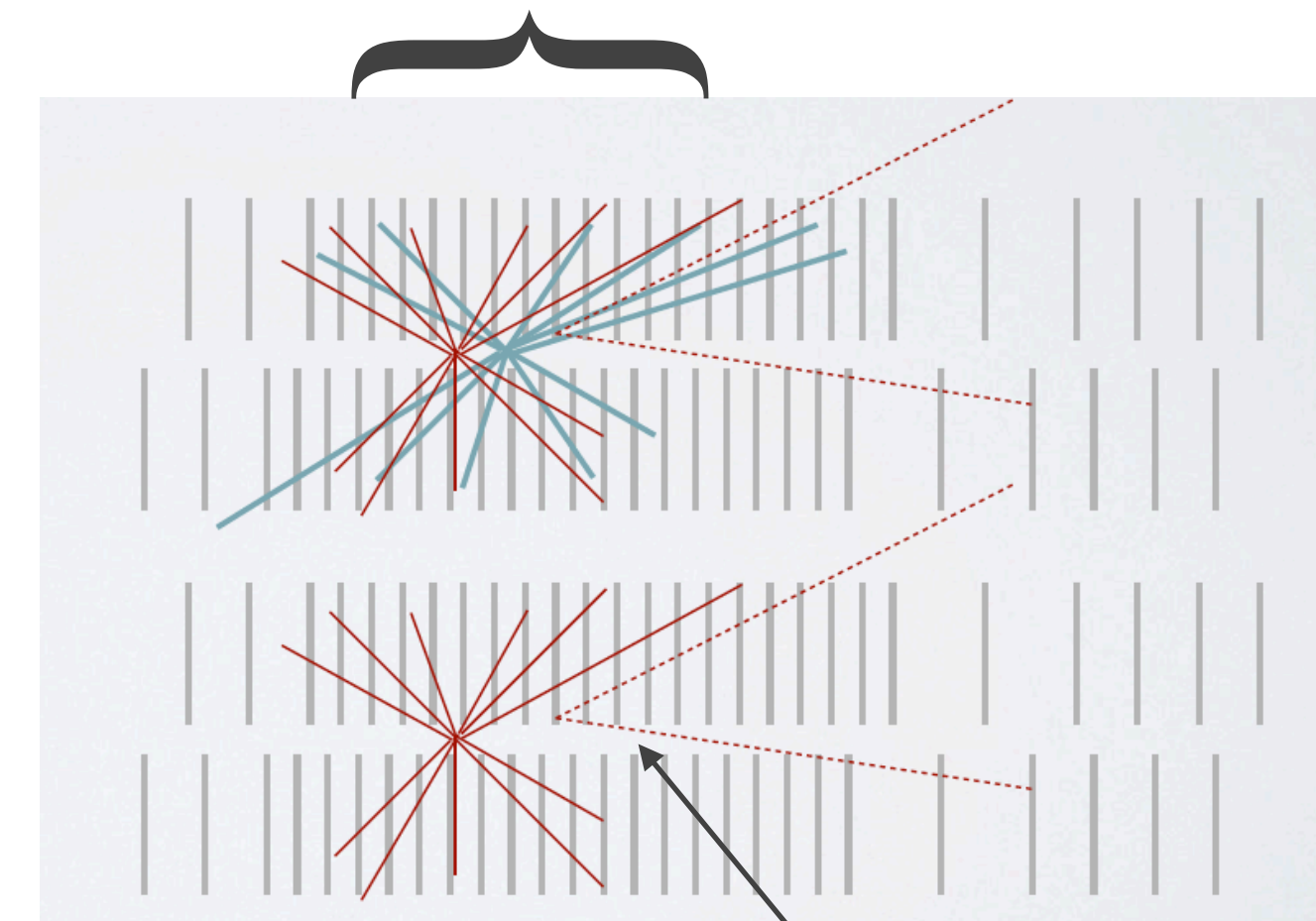
Half-scale demonstrator

VELO

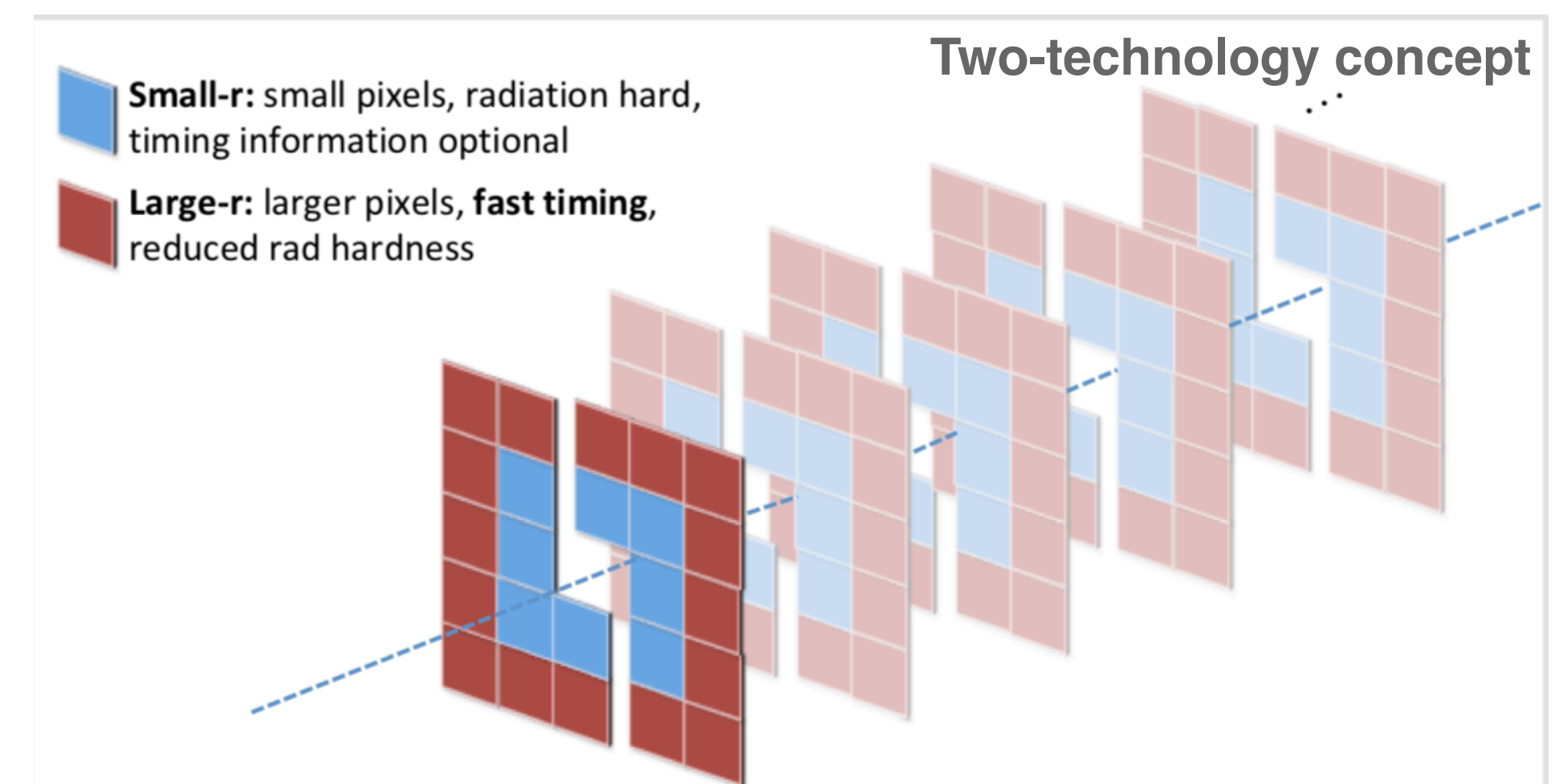
$$\sigma_z(\text{lumi region}) \approx 45 \text{ mm}$$

$$\sigma_t(\text{lumi region}) \approx 190 \text{ ps}$$

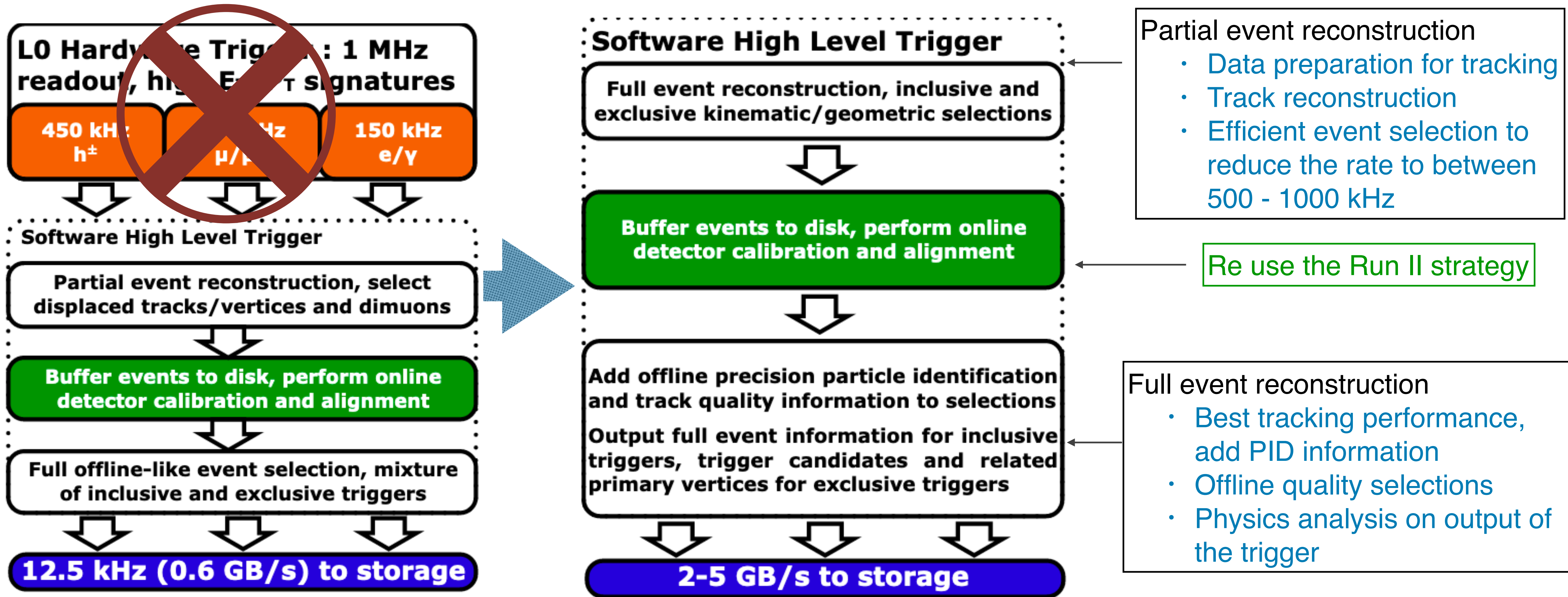
- ❖ Upgrade II VELO faces **significant mechanical challenges**
 - huge impact on the design and R&D.
- ❖ Track timing will be crucial
 - PV timing and associations, displaced track trigger etc.
 - Difficult question to address that will impact the design.
 - Other issues : cooling, radiations ...



Typical B meson flight time $\sim 15\text{ps}$



Trigger scheme



Real Time Analysis (RTA)

