
Particle Identification at the FCC-ee

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Outline

Current baseline designs for FCC-ee experiments do not include a dedicated detector for hadron identification (henceforth referred to as PID), although IDEA drift chamber may have strong capabilities in this area.

In this brief talk will cover:

- Requirements, especially on momentum range (focus on B physics at the Z^0)
- Candidate technologies
- Conclusions

Spoiler alert: no entirely satisfactory solution is yet evident, but the main challenges can at least be identified.

Requirements

Applications of PID in Z^0 physics

Let's focus on the Z^0 , where requirements are most clearly defined.

A good PID system, if available, would be exploited in many measurements, e.g.

- Complementary / redundant info to ECAL in searches for LFV Z decays;
- Separating π/K in tau final states;
- Help in flavour-tagging jets;
- Studies of particle production.

But in b physics and spectroscopy PID is *essential* !

PID requirements in b-physics & hadron spectroscopy

Hadron identification essential for a large set of flavour physics measurements.

- Distinguishing between same topology final-states.
- Kaons for *flavour tagging* (i.e. $B^0_{(s)}$ or $B^0_{(s)}$ bar) in time-dependent CPV studies.
- Suppressing combinatorics.
- K or proton identification for exotic spectroscopy studies.

Experiments have often 'got by' & produced very nice results without a dedicated PID detector (e.g. ALEPH, CDF, ATLAS/CMS), but essential for precise & transformative measurements, so mandatory at CLEO, Belle(II), BaBar & LHCb.

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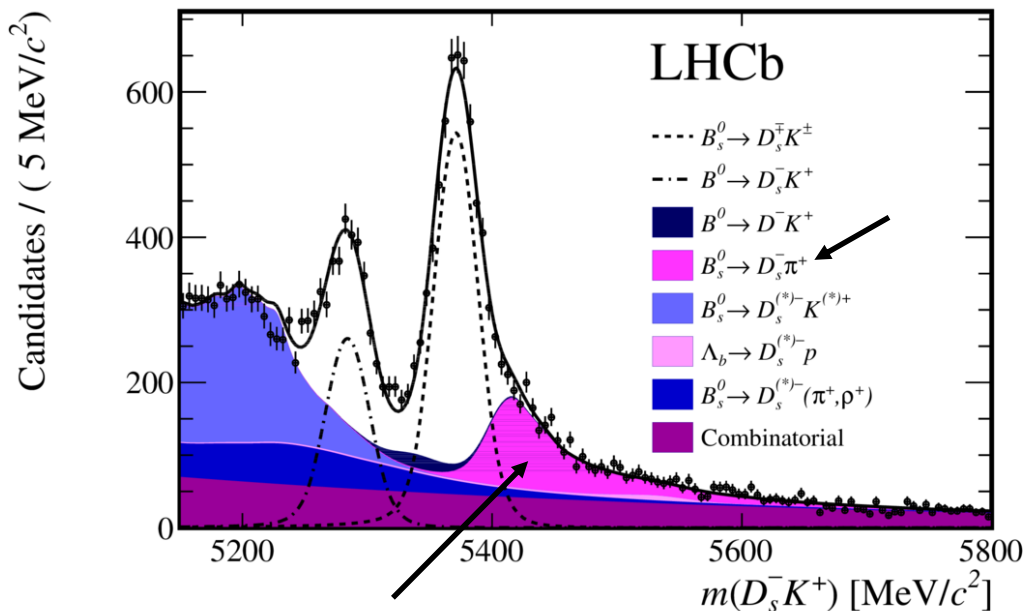
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LHCb, after PID cuts.
(mass resolution on signal is $\sim 15 \text{ MeV}/c^2$)

Residual $D_s \pi$ background lies at higher masses.

Note that some background with missing particles, e.g. from D_s^* or ρ^+ , will always contaminate signal region.



[LHCb, JHEP 05 (2015) 019]

w/o RICH this would be x10 signal

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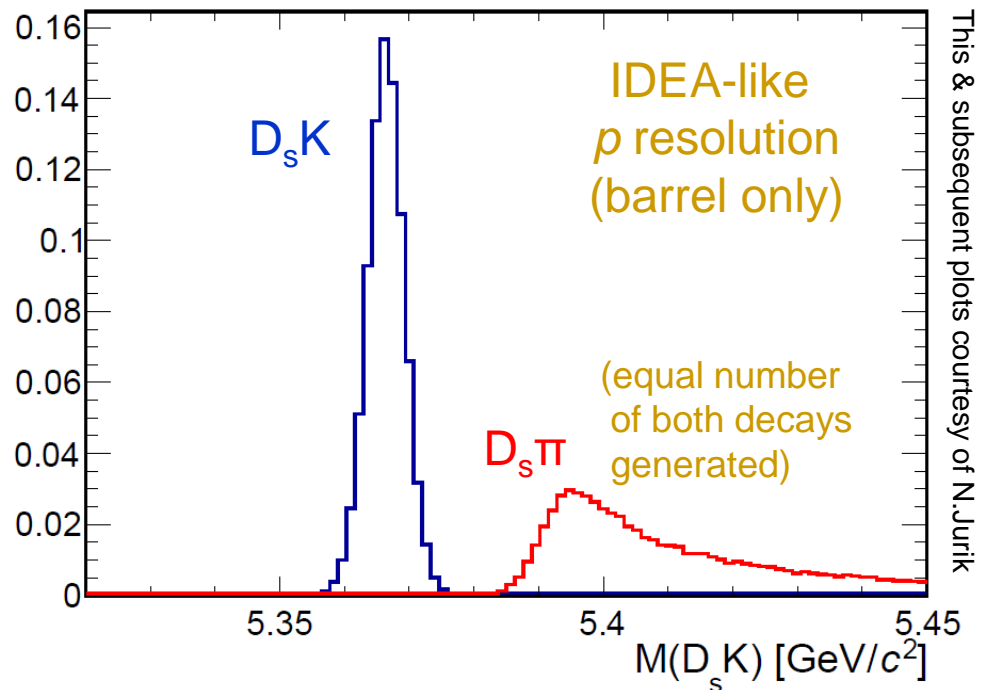
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Mass resolution should be very good at FCC-ee.

Result of simple attempt to simulate expected p resolution of IDEA in barrel region.



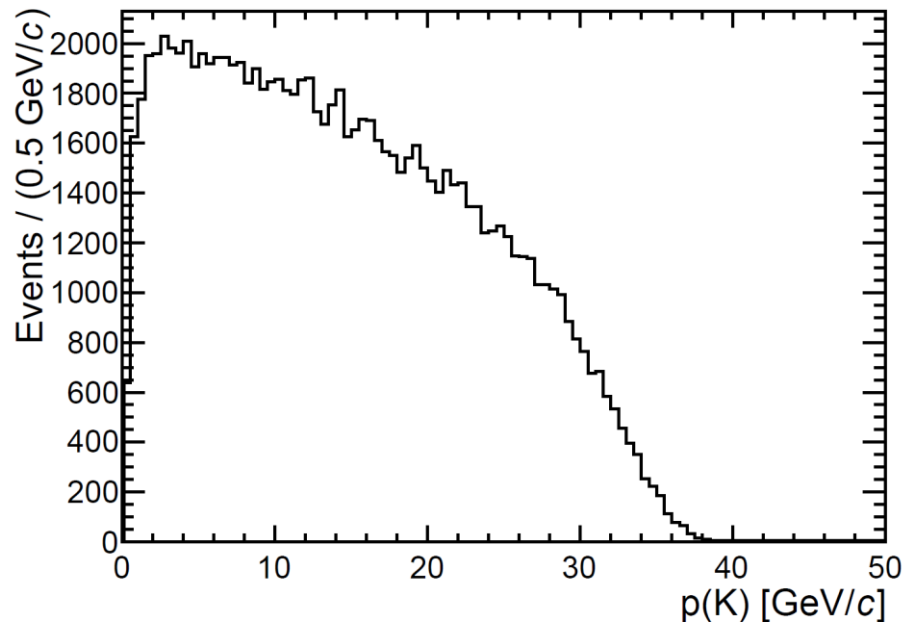
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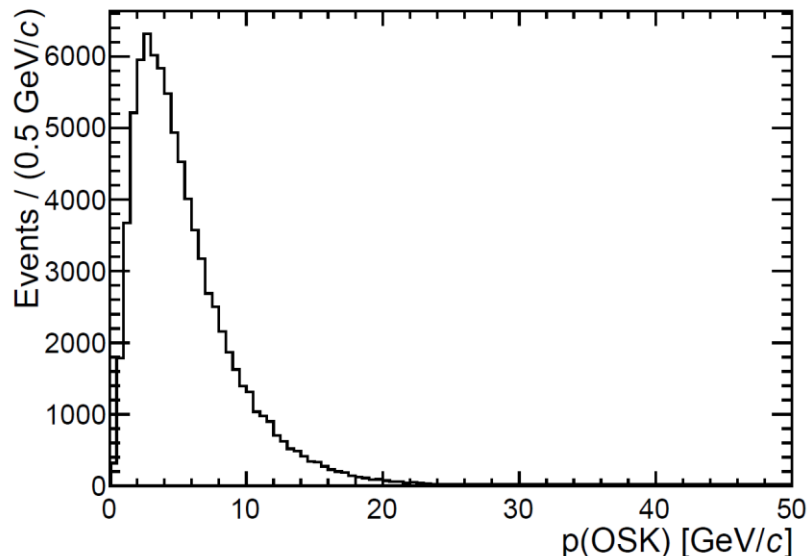


In an ideal world then we would like PID up to 30-40 GeV/c. This very challenging for a RICH detector in constraints that exist. Coverage up to ~ 20 GeV/c still useful.

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Spectrum of kaons for 'opposite side' tagging from $b \rightarrow c \rightarrow s$ decay chain. These have very high weight in determining initial flavour of B_s prior to oscillation. Vital input in time-dependent CP-violation measurements.

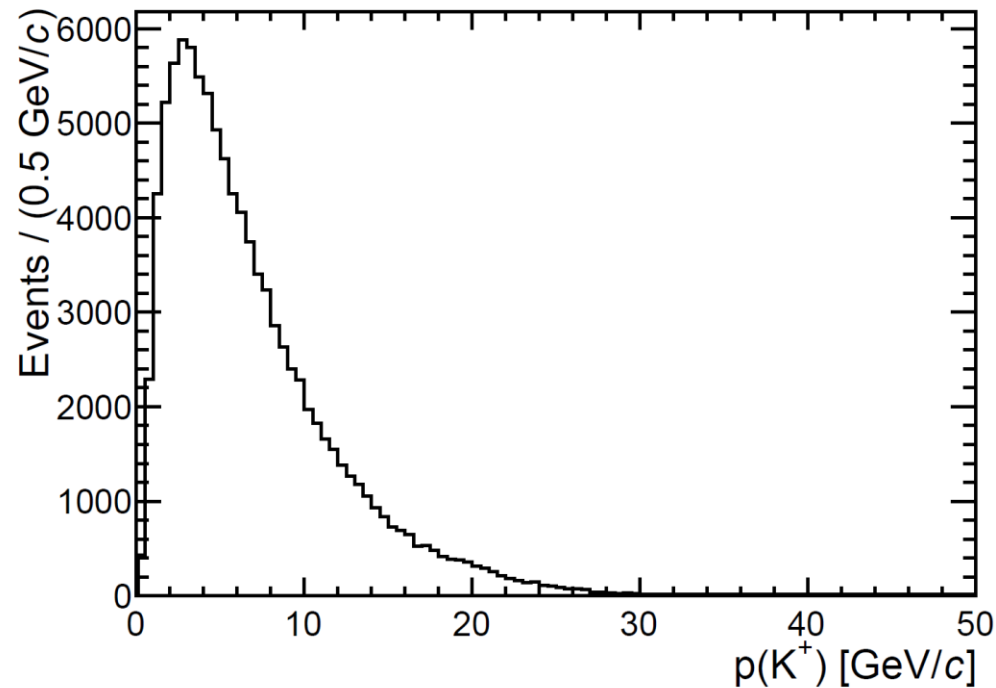


Most of action lies below 10 GeV/c. (Story will be even truer for 'same side' kaons.)

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Kaons from $D_s \rightarrow K K \pi$ decays (here demands on π/K separation less stringent):

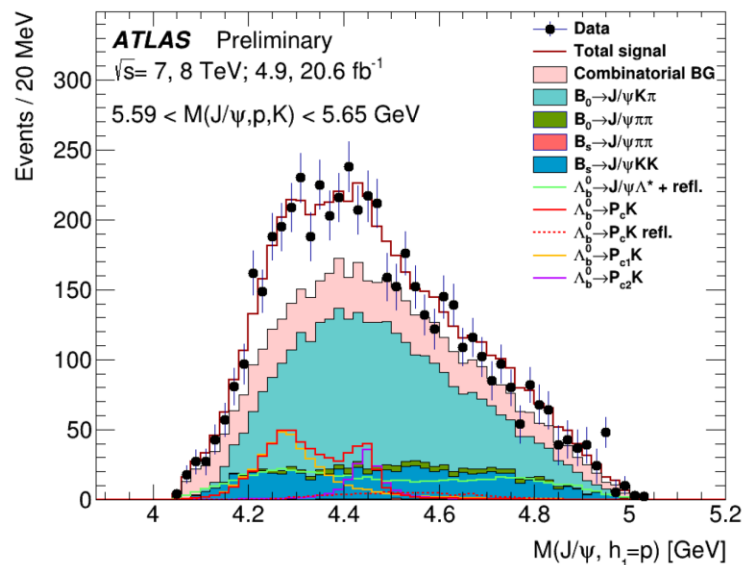


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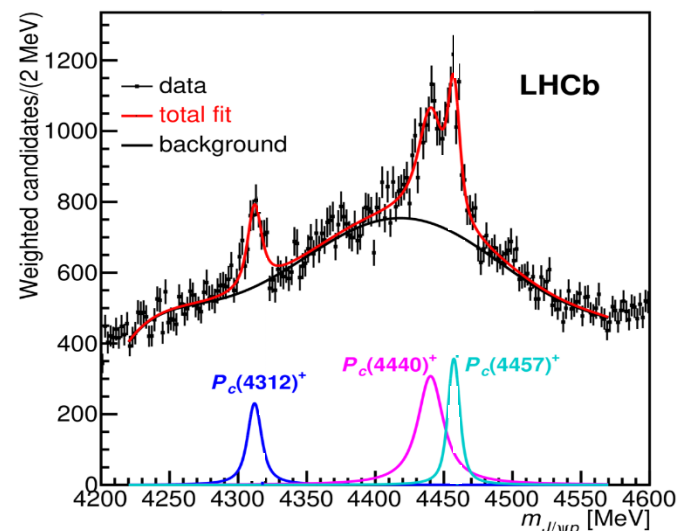
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Without PID



With PID ~ no background



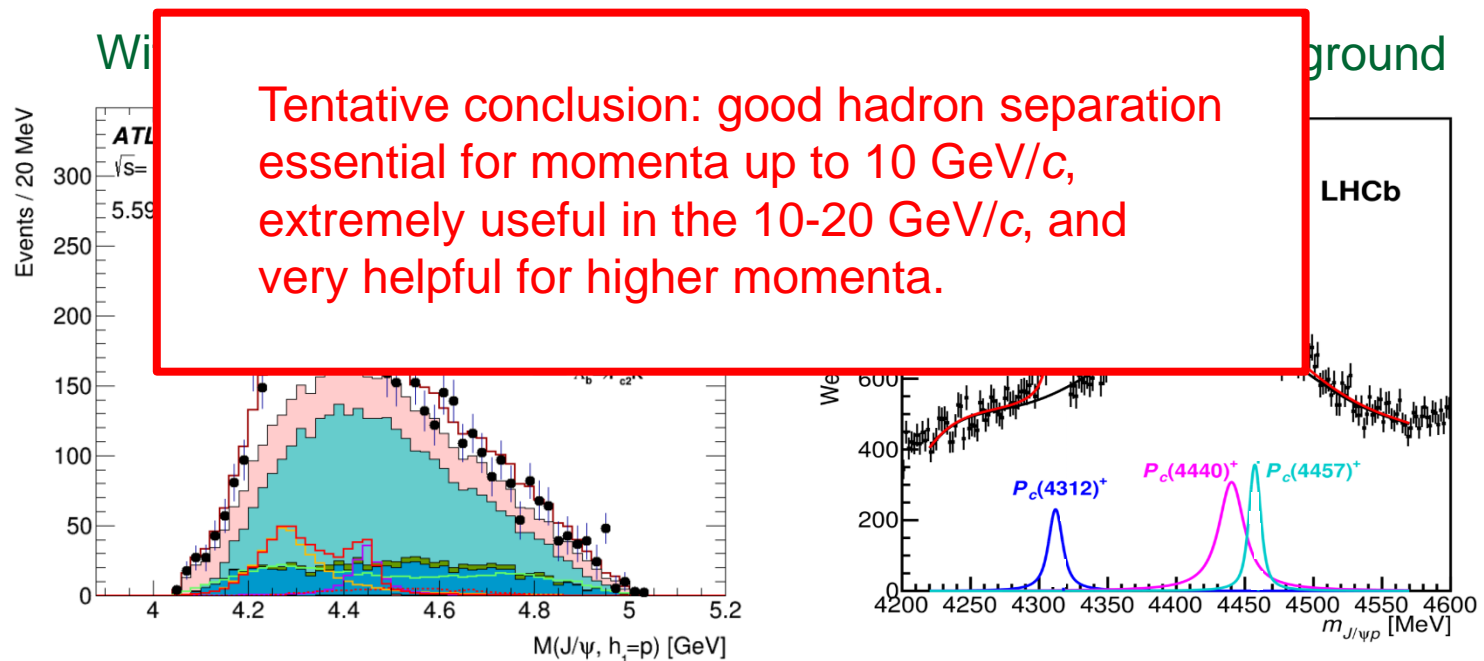
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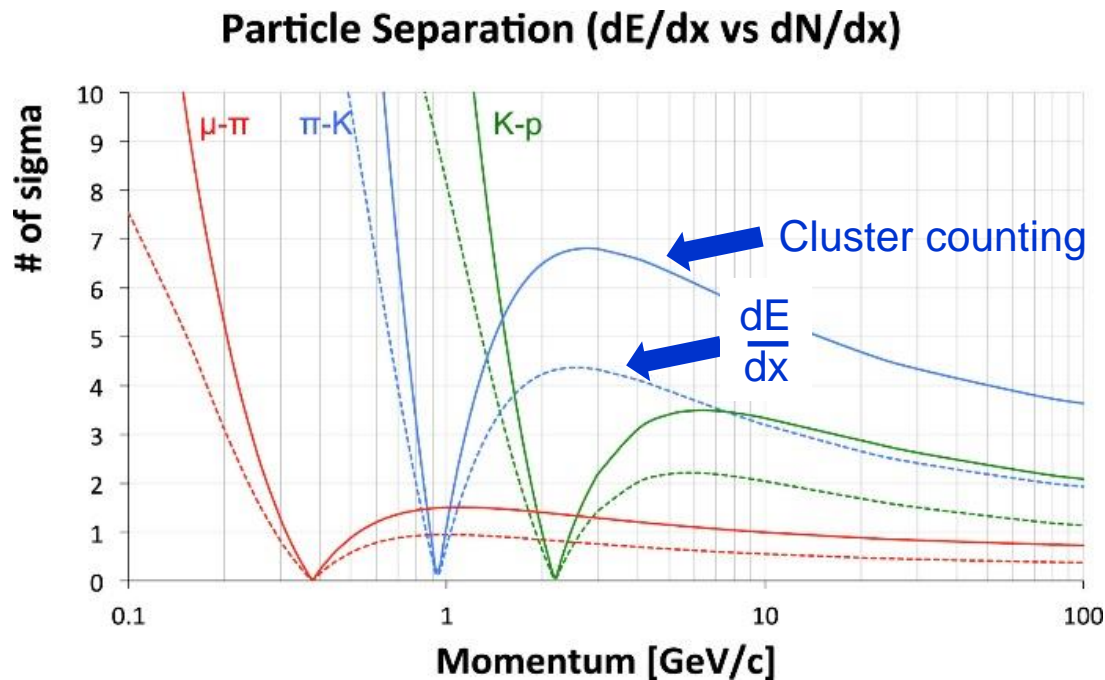
[LHCb, PRL 122 (2019) 222001]

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Candidate technologies

PID through cluster counting

dE/dx is limited to low momentum PID. However better separation is feasible if one can count the actual ionisation clusters. This is proposed for the IDEA drift chamber, [Chiarello *et al.*, NIM A 936 (2019) 503], which builds on experience from KLOE & MEG2.



Word of warning – not from a full simulation !

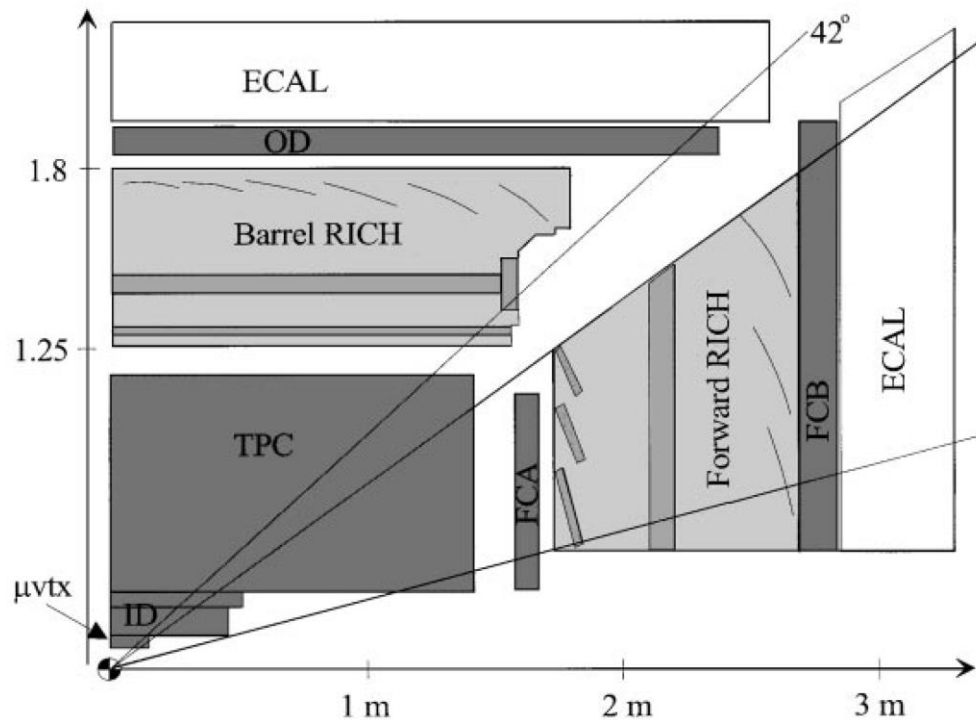
Also note that any dE/dx -like PID has an annoying blind spot for π/K separation at low p .

If this works well, it will be extremely powerful ! But experiments with Si-based tracking systems (e.g. CLD) would need another solution if they require PID.

RICH solution

RICH can (in principle) provide good PID over a wide momentum range.

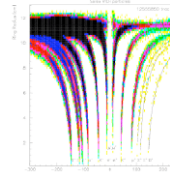
Main challenge is space – only previously attempted in cylindrical detector at DELPHI & SLD. Ingenious but very demanding designs, squeezed into ~60 cm.



Consequences: restriction on tracking volume and impact on ECAL performance.

SLD CRID at SLAC !

how not to do RICH PID



Alternative design

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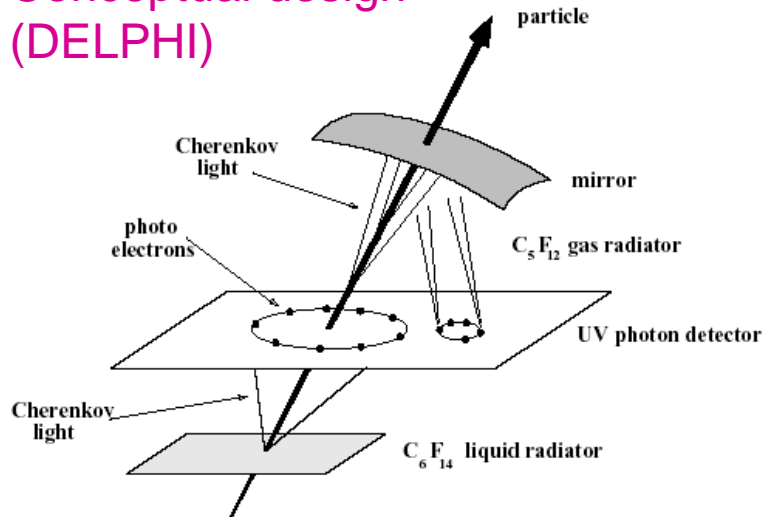
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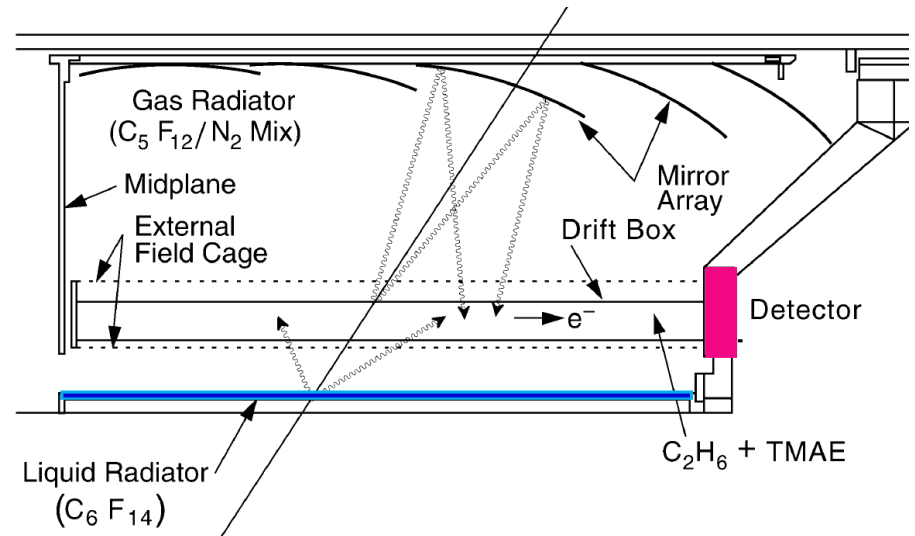
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DELPHI and SLD RICH systems

Conceptual design (DELPHI)



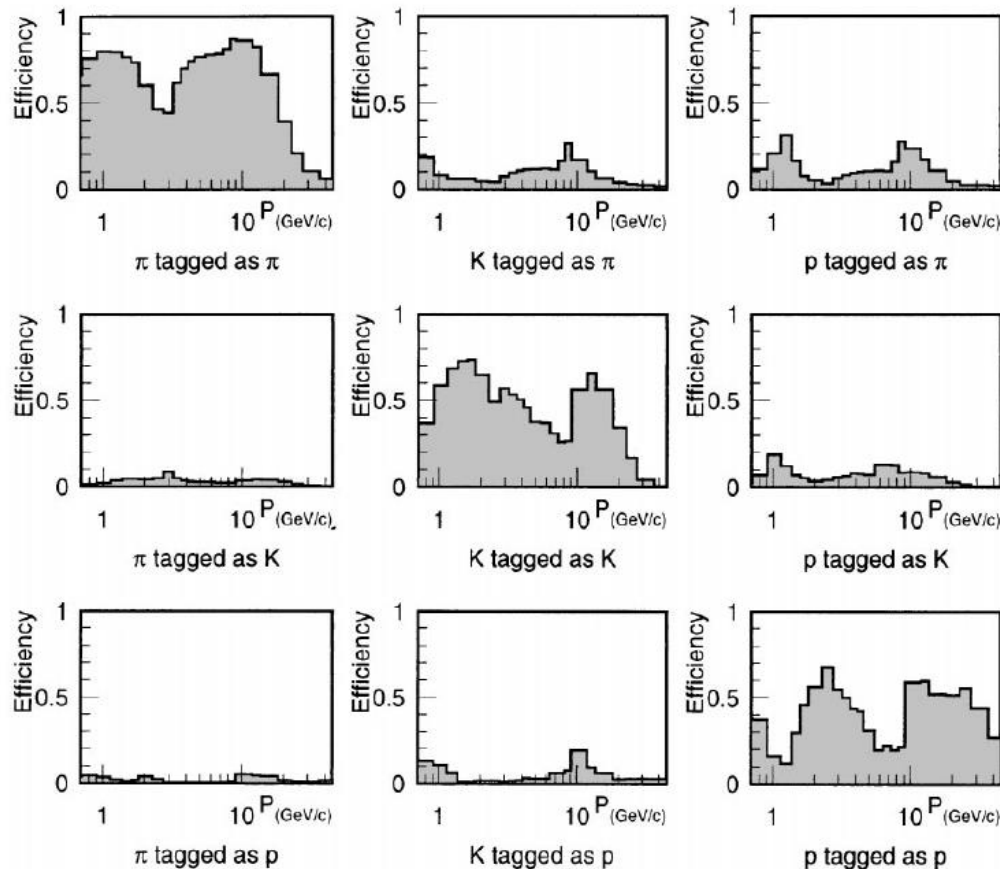
SLD barrel CRID



Highly challenging and delicate systems, similar in design for both:

- Liquid / gas / gas (C_6F_{14} / TMAE / C_5F_{12}) together in tight, inaccessible volume – plumbing nightmare. All kept at 40° to avoid C_5F_{12} condensation.
- Photoconverter gas TMAE (Tetrakis diMethylAmine Ethylene) the substance from hell (“it it glows you’re screwed, if it doesn’t glow you’re screwed” – SLD CRID group’s “Laws of TMAEDYNAMICS”).
- Long TPC-like drift distances for the photoelectrons – sensitive to distortions.

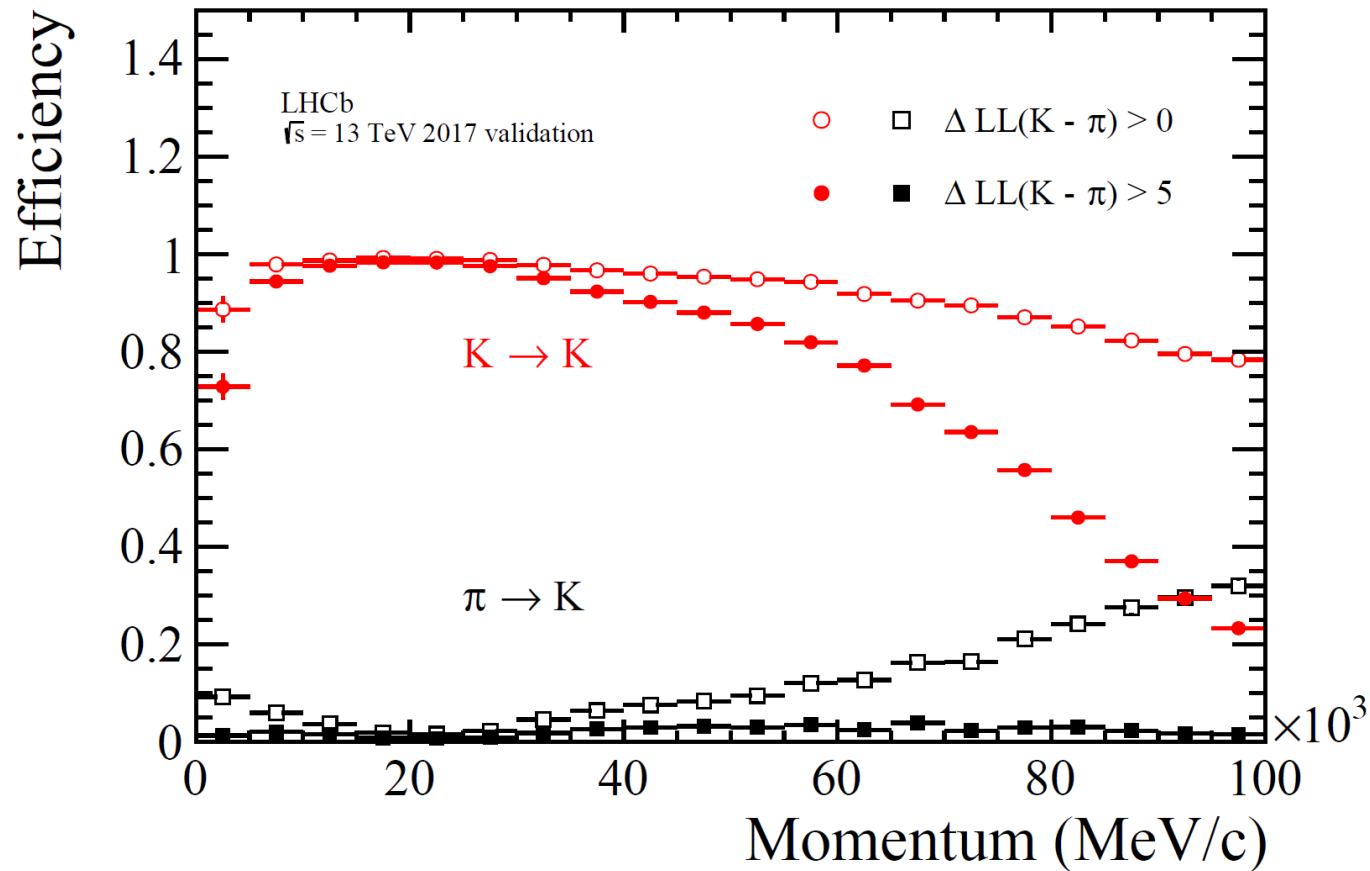
Efficiency matrix of DELPHI RICH



[Battaglia and Kuift, NIM A 433 (1999) 252]

Kaon id efficiencies generally $< 50\%$, and range limited to $p < 20$ GeV/c .

To be compared with...



...but LHCb has much more space to play with, plus 20 years of RICH know-how.

Photo-detector options

Challenges of FCC-ee different to those in hadronic environment. 'Simple' events, no demands on fast timing or radiation hardness, but efficiency at a premium.

Technology	B-field response	QE range	Cost	Comments
MAPMT	X	$\lambda >$ 200 – 200 nm	\$\$	B-field shielding a showstopper
MCP	✓		\$\$\$	Excellent time resolution – not essential for FCC-ee RICH ?
SiPM	✓		\$\$(\$)	High dark count – requires cooling; radiation tolerance – not an issue at FCC-ee
Gaseous / Csl	✓	$\lambda <$ 200 nm	\$	Low number of photo-electrons (in CF4 ~ 5 / m, <i>c.f.</i> 3x higher with MaPMTs)

- Area to be covered $\sim 5\text{m} \times 2\pi \times 2\text{m} > 50 \text{ m}^2$. Suggests cost of $< \$ 0.2\text{M}$ per m^2 , which is currently only feasible for gaseous option.
- Interesting to monitor noise and cost evolution of SiPM. Indeed, R&D proceeding in most areas (e.g. 'windowless RICH', SiPMs, LAPPDs). motivated by future LHCb upgrades and electron-ion collider.

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Hard to find single radiator to cover full momentum range of interest. Two popular cases for recent experiments are C_4F_{10} (lowish p) and CF_4 (higher p).

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No positive id at low p but π/K separation still possible through veto mode operation

Indicative #
assuming
HPD /
SiPM /
MaPMT
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detector

CF_4 ($n = 1.0005$, θ_{max} : 32 mrad)

- π threshold : 4.4 GeV/c
- K threshold : 15.6 GeV/c
- $n_{det.ph.s} (\beta=1) / 1m$: ~ 10
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Fluorocarbons are eco-unfriendly, and are unlikely to be an acceptable option for use in next generation of experiments.

Alternative required !

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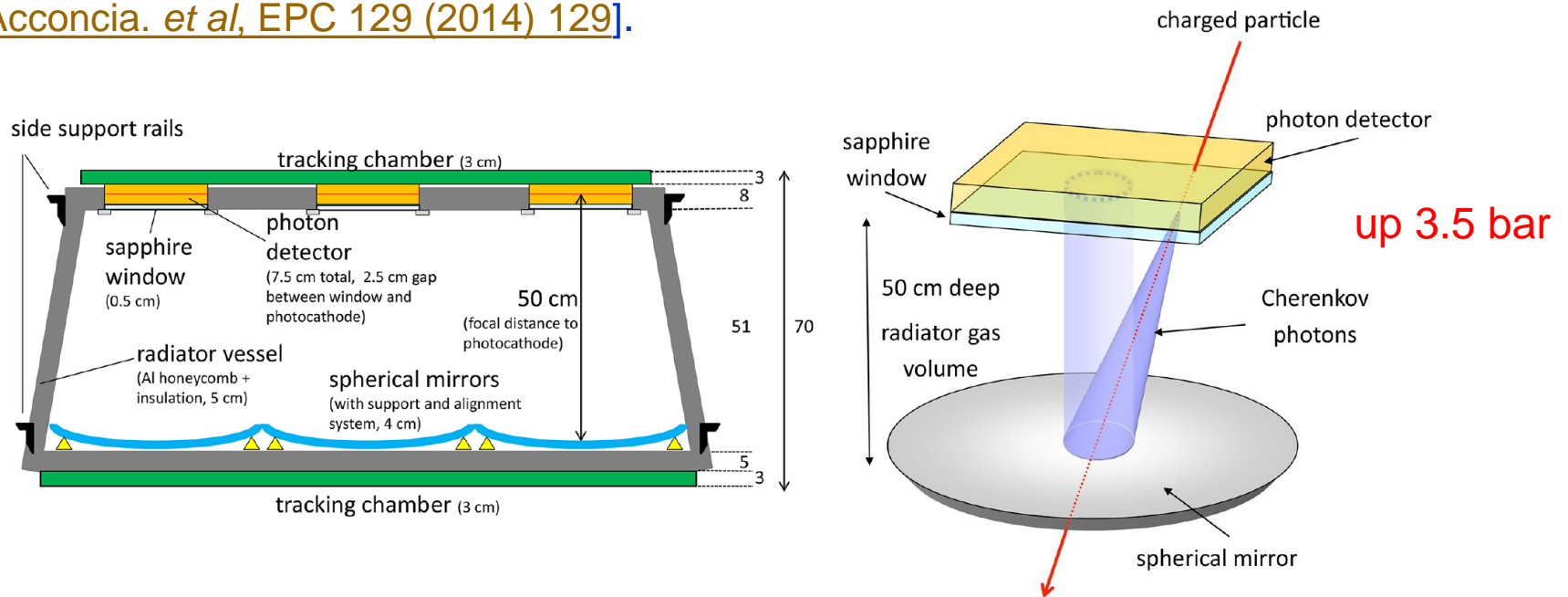
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Other possibilities

Refractive index and number of photons can be tuned by pressure in radiator.

Idea was proposed, but not implemented, as a part of ALICE upgrade, with intention of extending PID range to 5-25 GeV

[[Acconcia. et al, EPC 129 \(2014\) 129](#)].



Reasonably compact, but comes with overheads
e.g. extra material, and in this case need to heat radiator to prevent condensation.

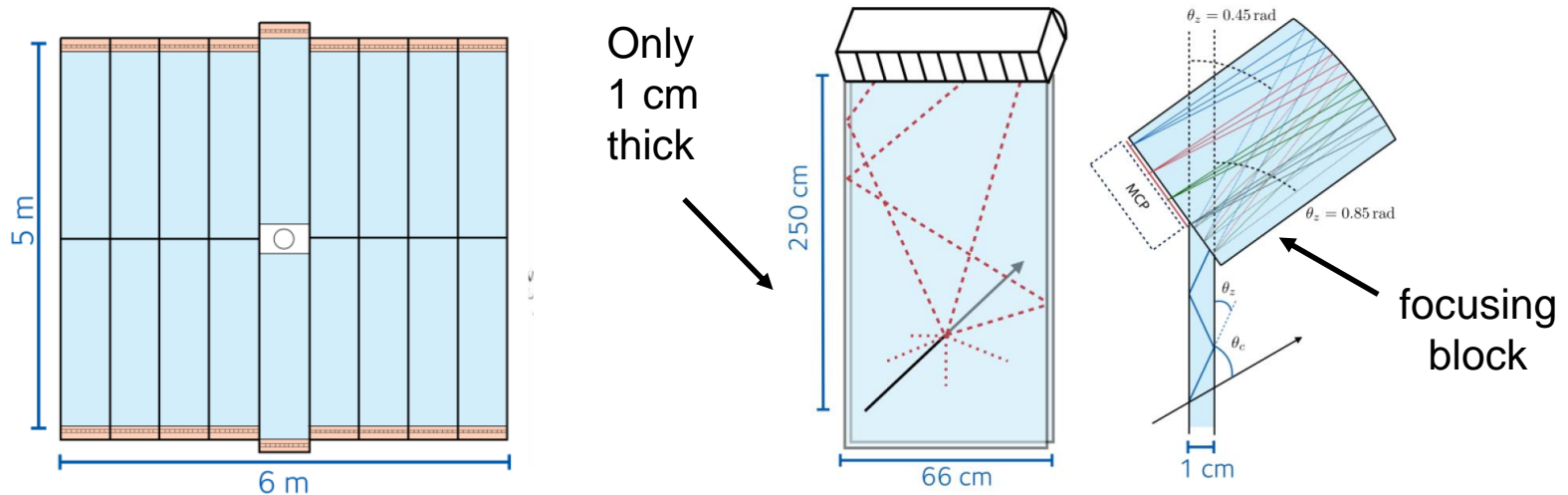
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Possible upgrade project for LHCb – here a planar detector, ~ 9.5 m from IP



Pixelated MCPs with ~ 70 ps / photon, giving 10-15 ps per track with 30 p.e.s.

In this configuration obtain 3σ π/K separation up to 10 GeV.

* [I.Adam et al., NIM A 538 \(2005\) 281](#)

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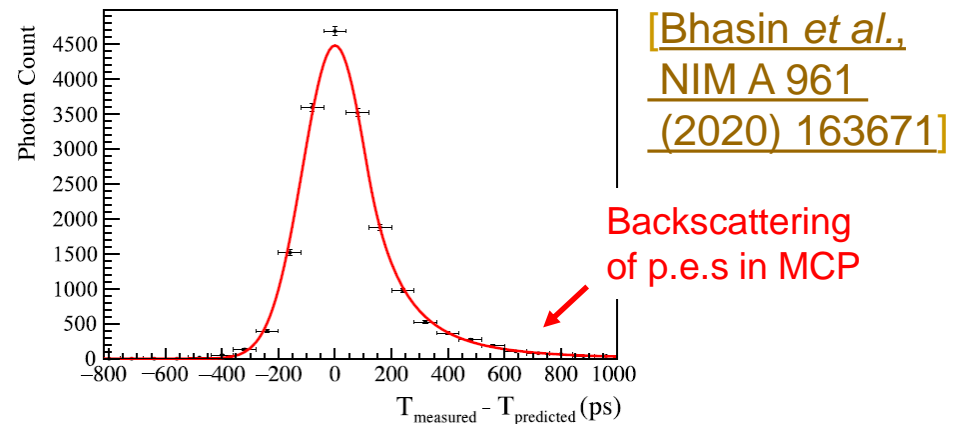
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R&D involving CERN, Oxford, Bristol, Edinburgh, Bath and Photek (industry).
Work ongoing on prototypes, development of MCPs and read-out electronics.



Quartz plate for prototype.



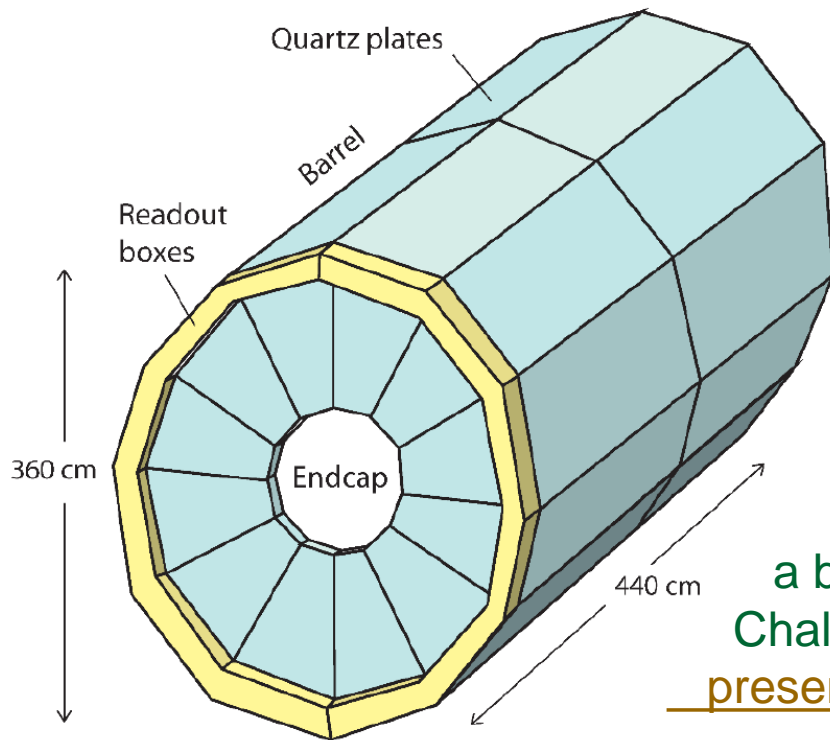
Single photon resolⁿ measured in test beam.
After subtraction of timing ref. obtain $\sigma \approx 100$ ps.

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TORCH at FCC-ee

TORCH can be adopted to cylindrical detector design (R. Forty – strawman layout).



Looks elegant and *is* very thin.

However focusing block and photodetectors will introduce dead space into overlap region.

Radiator closer to IP than in LHCb.
Reduced lever arm for TOF component.

In order to keep 10 GeV π/K separation (or do a bit better) must improve granularity + time resⁿ.
Challenging, but not impossible (see [M. van Dijk presentation](#) at January FCC workshop, CERN).

Attractive concept, but will not provide high momentum PID.

Conclusions

Hadron identification would be a very welcome attribute at the FCC-ee.

For b physics and hadron spectroscopy it is essential.

The critical range is 1-10 GeV/c, with coverage at higher momenta highly desirable.

On paper, cluster counting looks very powerful. Watch with interest.

The RICH solution is robust and performant, but it requires space, and would have significant consequences for overall experiment design.

New generation PID detectors, such as TORCH, appear an elegant solution, but will struggle to cover much of the momentum range of interest.

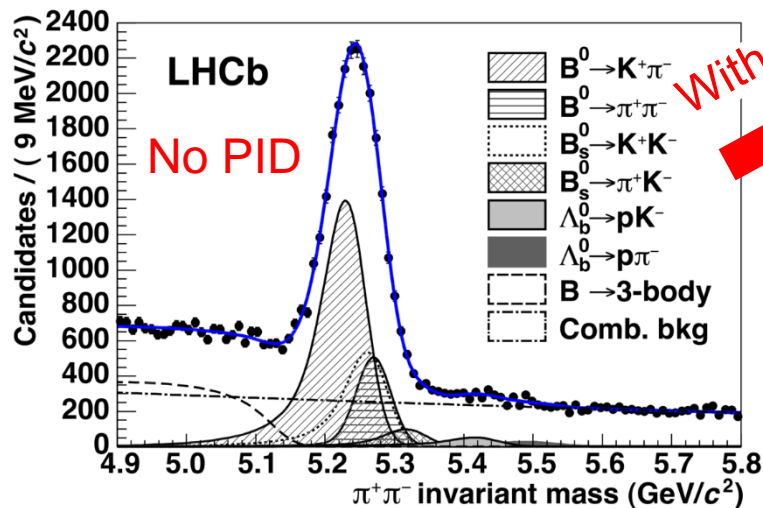
The PID community has been alerted to the challenge. Good ideas welcome !

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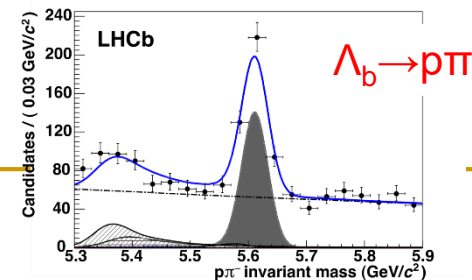
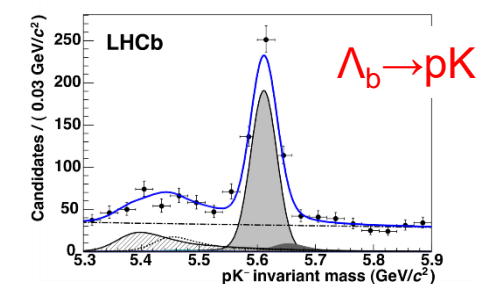
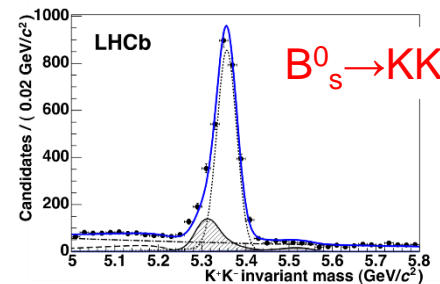
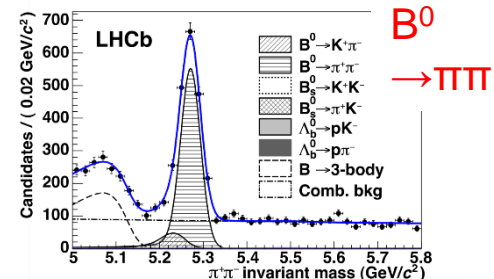
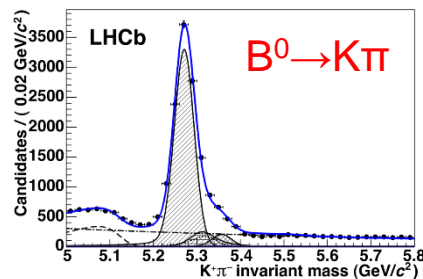
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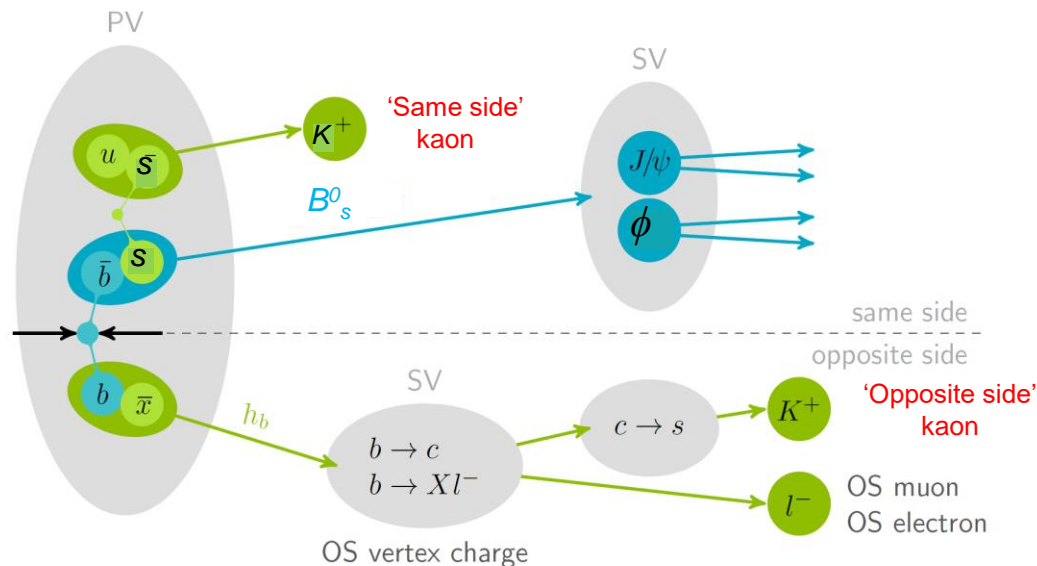
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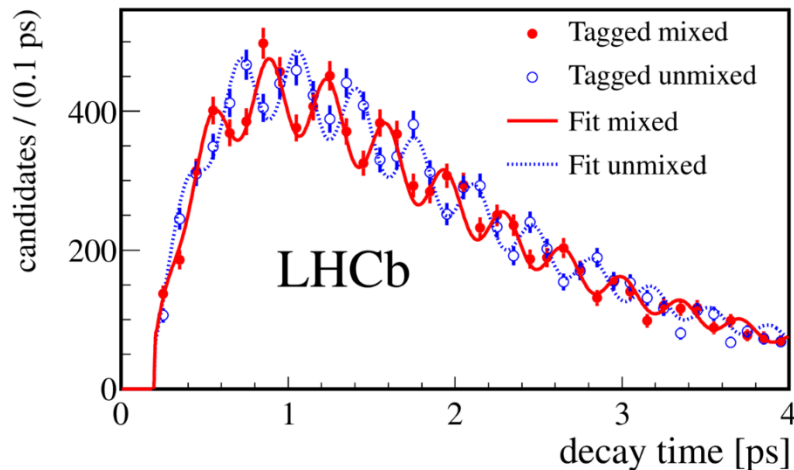


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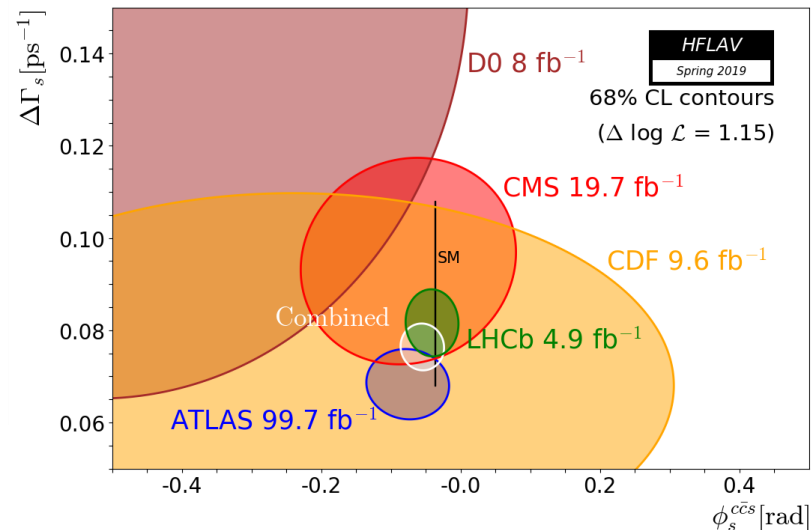
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e.g. for B_s mixing measurements...



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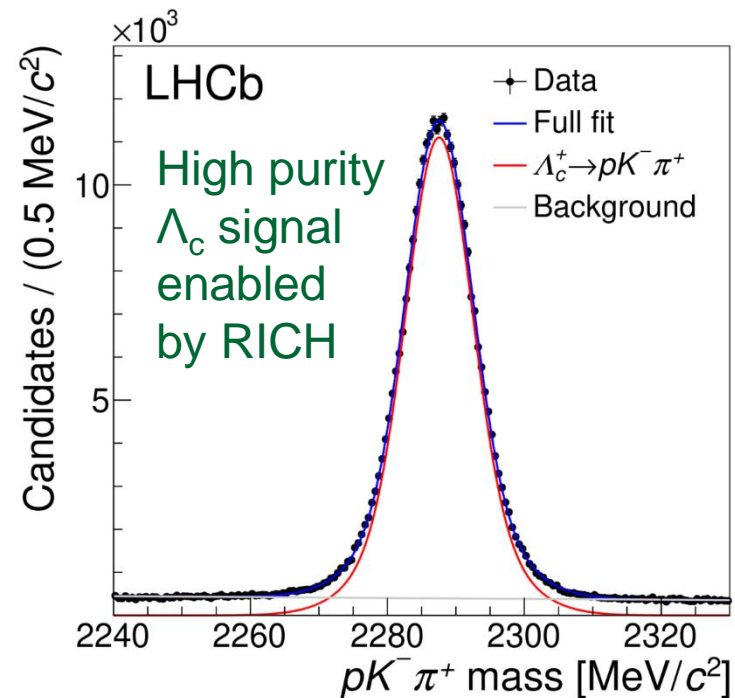
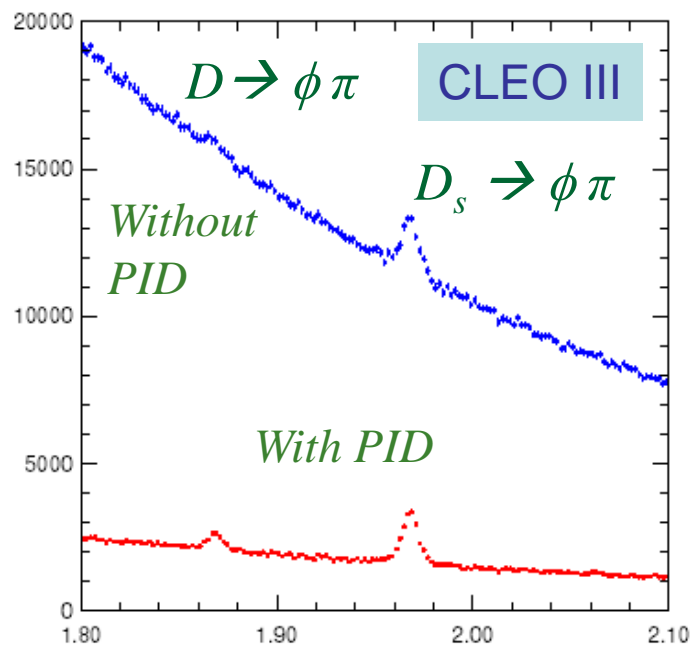
...& CPV ϕ_s measurements (where FCC-ee can make impact)



PID requirements in b-physics & hadron spectroscopy

Hadron identification essential for a large set of flavour physics measurements.

- Suppressing combinatorics.



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