

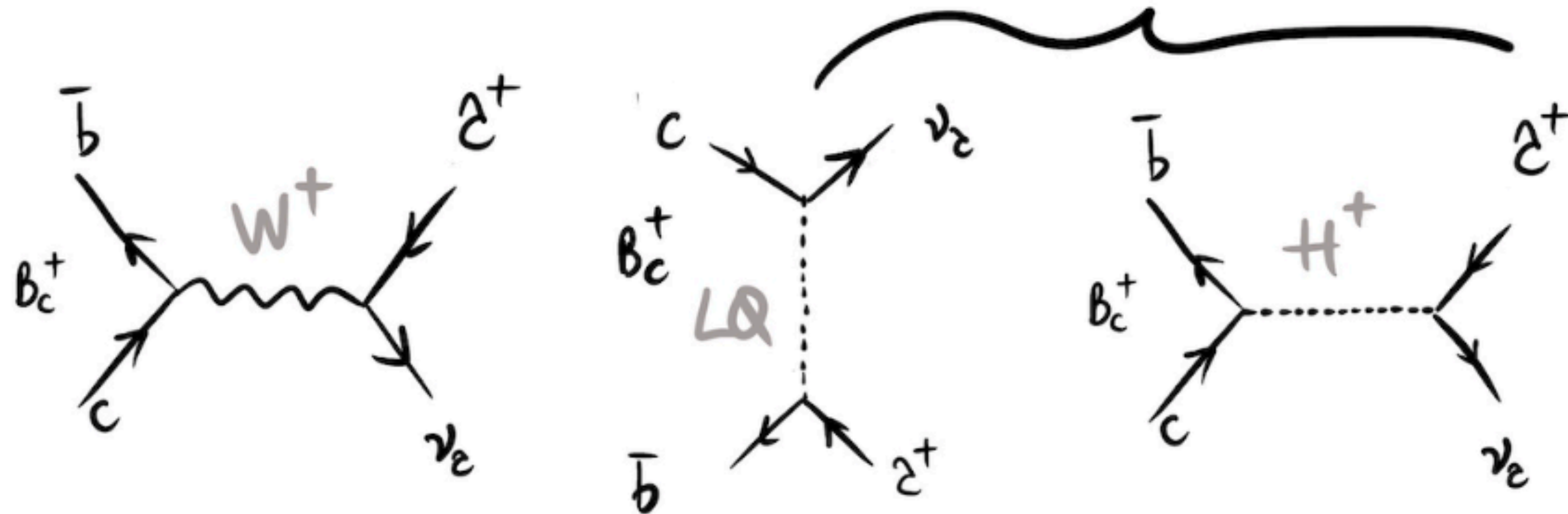
# Prospects for $B_c \rightarrow \tau \nu$ @ FCCee

arXiv:2105.1330

# Why do we care ?

SM

NP



- Can be used to measure the CKM element  $|V_{cb}|$  and highly sensitive to scalar contributions from NP.
- No possible at LHCb due to missing energy- lack of constraints and reconstructed information.
- No  $B_c$  production at Belle II.
- FCCee is an ideal machine to study this decay.

# With an EFT at $\mu = m_b$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{4 G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} \left[ (1 + C_{V_L}) (\bar{c}_L \gamma^\mu b_L) (\bar{\nu}_L \gamma_\mu \nu_L) \right. \\ + C_{V_R} (\bar{c}_R \gamma^\mu b_R) (\bar{\nu}_L \gamma_\mu \nu_L) \\ + C_{S_L} (\bar{c}_L b_R) (\bar{\nu}_R \nu_L) \\ \left. + C_{S_R} (\bar{c}_R b_L) (\bar{\nu}_R \nu_L) \right] + \text{h.c.}$$

$C_i$  are the Wilson coefficients,  
null in the SM using this convention.

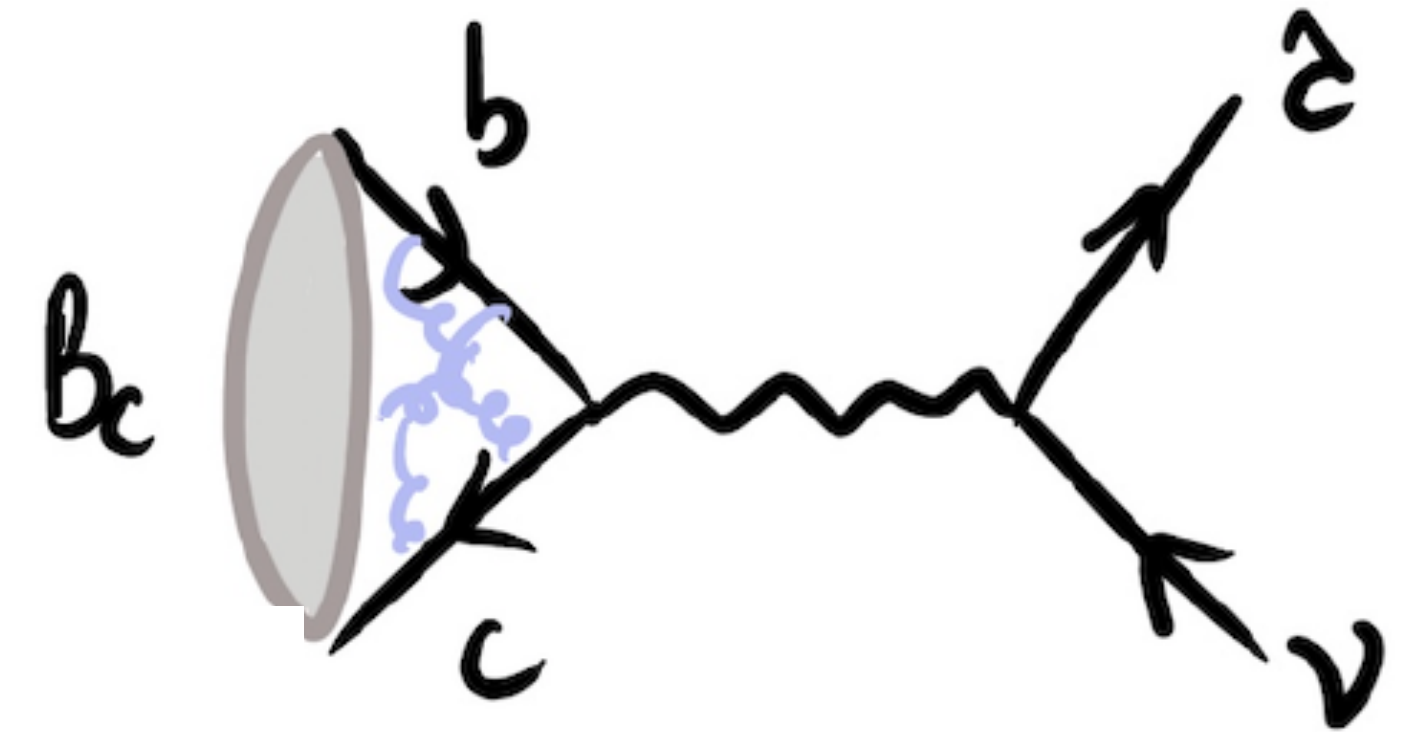
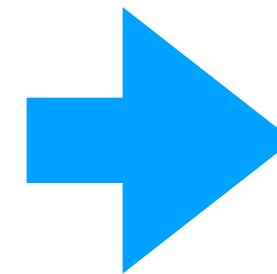
If one uses :  $C_{V(A)} = C_{V_R} \pm C_{V_L}$  and  $C_{S(P)} = C_{S_R} \pm C_{S_L}$ .

$$B(B_c \rightarrow 2\nu) = B_{\text{SM}}(B_c \rightarrow 2\nu) \left| 1 - C_A - C_P \frac{m_{B_c}^2}{m_\nu(m_b + m_c)} \right|^2$$

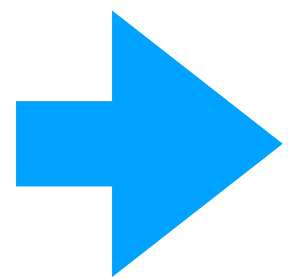
$C_P$  lifts the SM helicity suppression  
sizeable enhancement !

# SM prediction

Tree-level Feynman diagram in the SM



$$\mathcal{B}(B_c \rightarrow \tau \nu)^{\text{SM}} = \tau_{B_c} \frac{G_F^2 |V_{cb}|^2 f_{B_c}^2 m_{B_c}^2}{8\pi} \cdot m_\tau^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_\tau^2}{m_{B_c}^2}\right)^2$$



$$\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau)^{\text{SM}} = 1.95(9) \times 10^{-2}$$

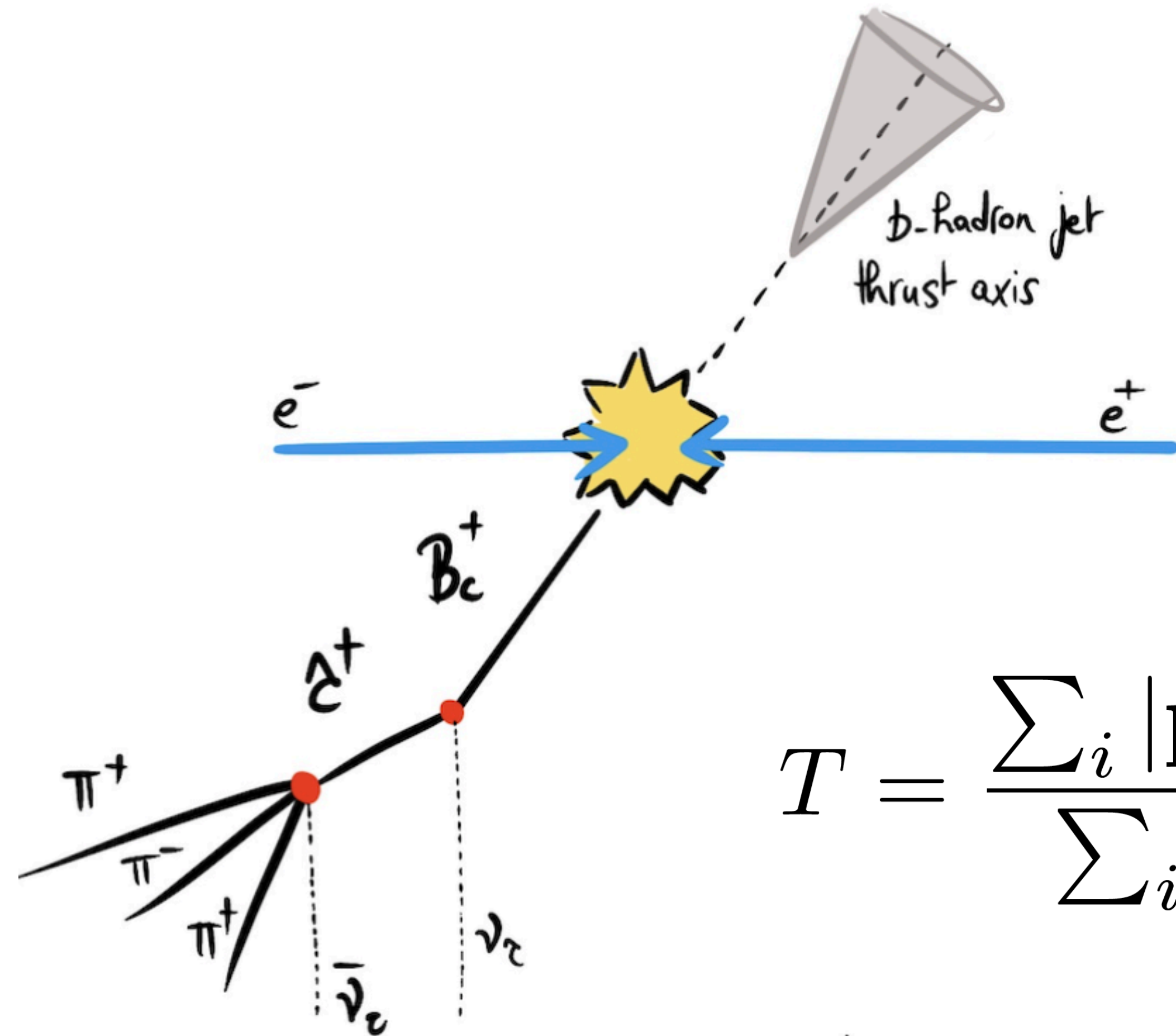
Decay constant from HPQCD and Vcb exclusive HFLAV.

Looking forward to improvements of the decay constant computation with LQCD techniques.



# Decay topology

$B_c$  lifetime very short  $\sim 0.5$  ps,  
*i.e* too many degrees of freedom  
to fully reconstruct the decay.  
Explore the thrust axis properties  
and the hadronic  $\tau$  decays.



$$T = \frac{\sum_i |\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}|}{\sum_i |\mathbf{p}_i|}$$

Note : arXiv:2007.08234 explored leptonic  $\tau$  decays.

Have a look at talks from C.Helsens & D.Hill  
for the status of the software and reconstruction

# Master formula

$$\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau) = \frac{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu_\mu)} \times \frac{\epsilon(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu_\mu)}{\epsilon(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau)} \\ \times \frac{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\tau^+ \rightarrow 3\pi \bar{\nu}_\tau)} \times \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu_\mu),$$

**How do we get to the final branching ratio?**

# Analysis strategy

$$\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau) = \frac{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu_\mu)} \times \frac{\epsilon(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu_\mu)}{\epsilon(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau)} \times \frac{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\tau^+ \rightarrow 3\pi \bar{\nu}_\tau)} \times \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu_\mu),$$

data                      simulation                      PDG                      LQCD

Avoid using  $B_c$  hadronisation fraction

The diagram illustrates the analysis strategy for measuring the branching fraction of  $B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau$ . The equation is broken down into four main components, each highlighted with a colored oval and labeled with an arrow:

- data** (red oval): Points to the ratio  $\frac{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu_\mu)}$ .
- simulation** (orange oval): Points to the ratio  $\frac{\epsilon(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu_\mu)}{\epsilon(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}$ .
- PDG** (blue oval): Points to the ratio  $\frac{\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\tau^+ \rightarrow 3\pi \bar{\nu}_\tau)}$ .
- LQCD** (pink oval): Points to the branching fraction  $\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu_\mu)$ .

An additional note above the LQCD term states: "Avoid using  $B_c$  hadronisation fraction".

Running at the Z pole.

Detector configuration using IDEA concept.

Simulation based on DELPHES with HEP-FCC/FCC-config: spring2021\_Bc2TauNu

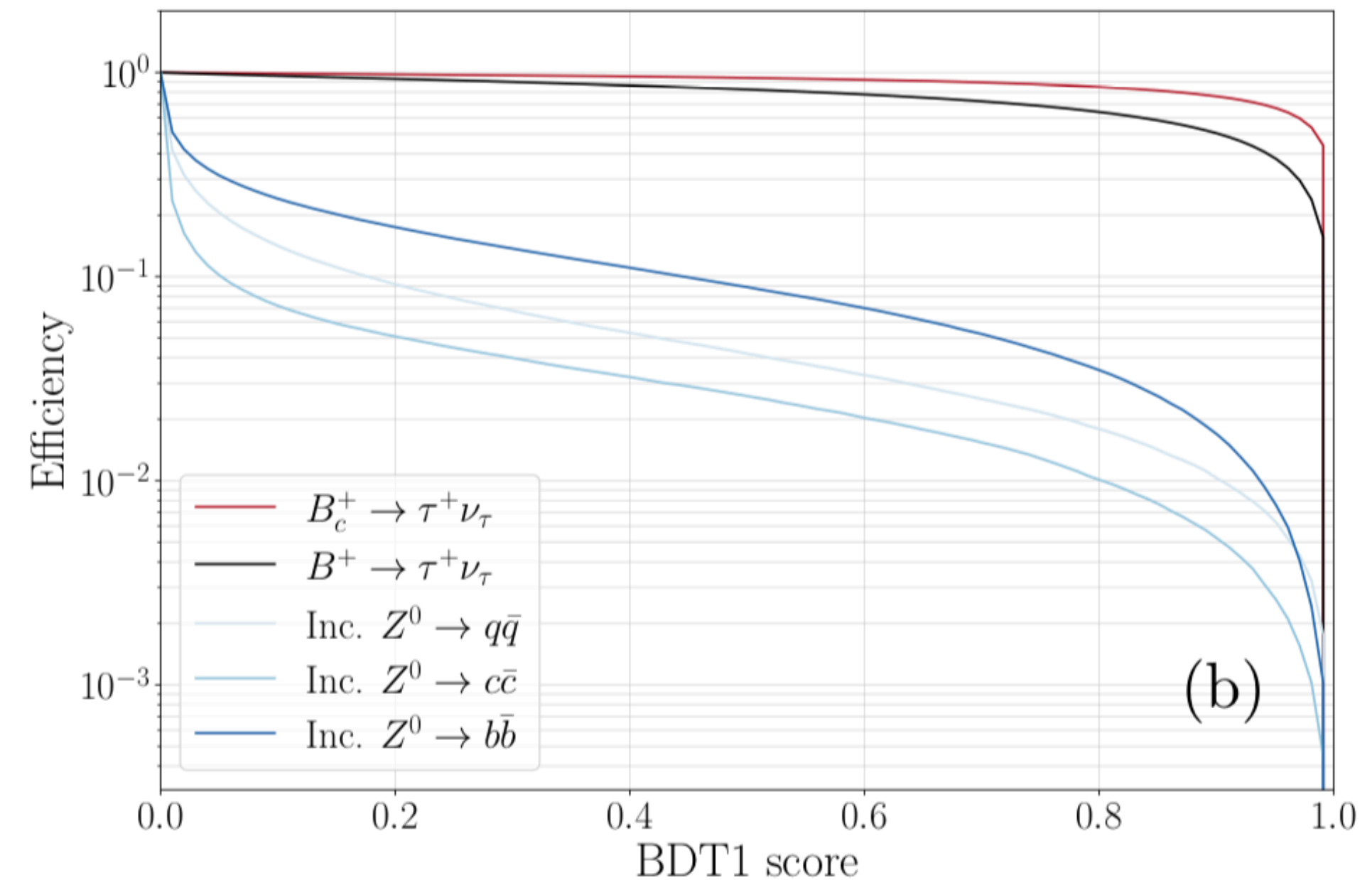
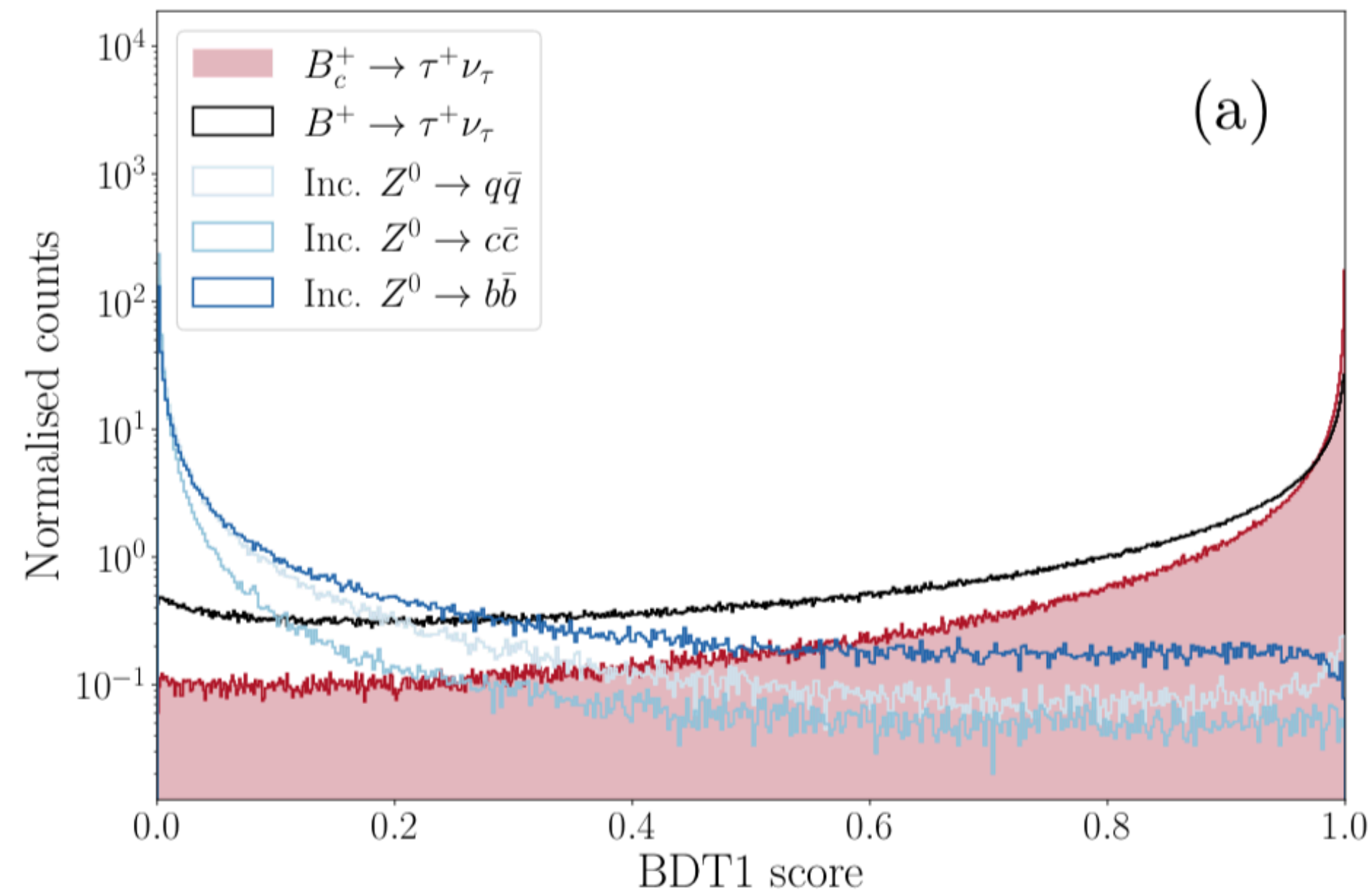
Needs : very good vertex seeding and particle identification.

Use a two staged BDT.

# First stage BDT

**Signal** :  $B_c$  decays are generated with hadronic  $\tau$  final states using EvtGen (SLN model for the  $B_c$  and TAUHADNU for the  $\tau$ )

**Backgrounds**: Large sample of inclusive  $Z$  to  $bb$ ,  $cc$ ,  $qq$  generated with Pythia. and a collection of exclusive  $b$ -hadron decays to open charm.



Focuses on event topology

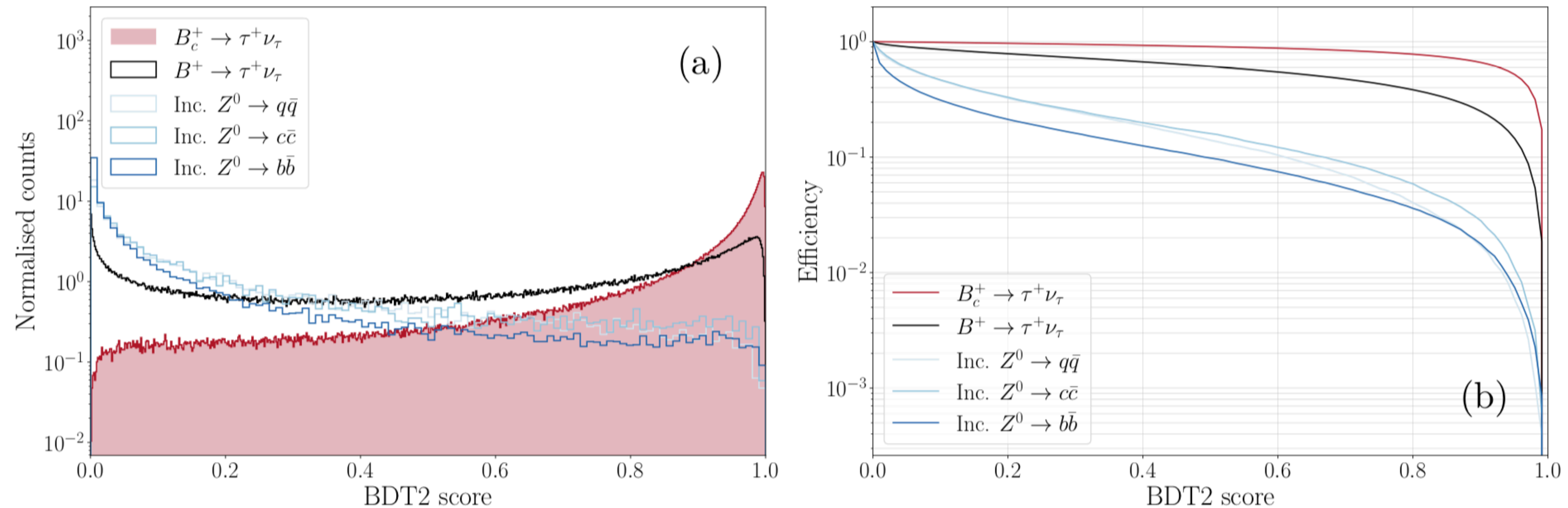


# Input variables for the first BDT

- Total reconstructed energy in each hemisphere;
- Total charged and neutral reconstructed energies in each hemisphere;
- Charged and neutral particle multiplicities in each hemisphere;
- Number of tracks in the reconstructed PV;
- Number of reconstructed  $3\pi$  candidates in the event;
- Number of reconstructed vertices in each hemisphere;
- Minimum, maximum, and average radial distance of all decay vertices from the PV.

# Second stage BDT

Similar input samples as the first stage BDT and requiring 0.6 on the first one.



Focuses on the  $3\pi$  properties and other reconstructed decay vertices in the event.

# Input variables for the second BDT

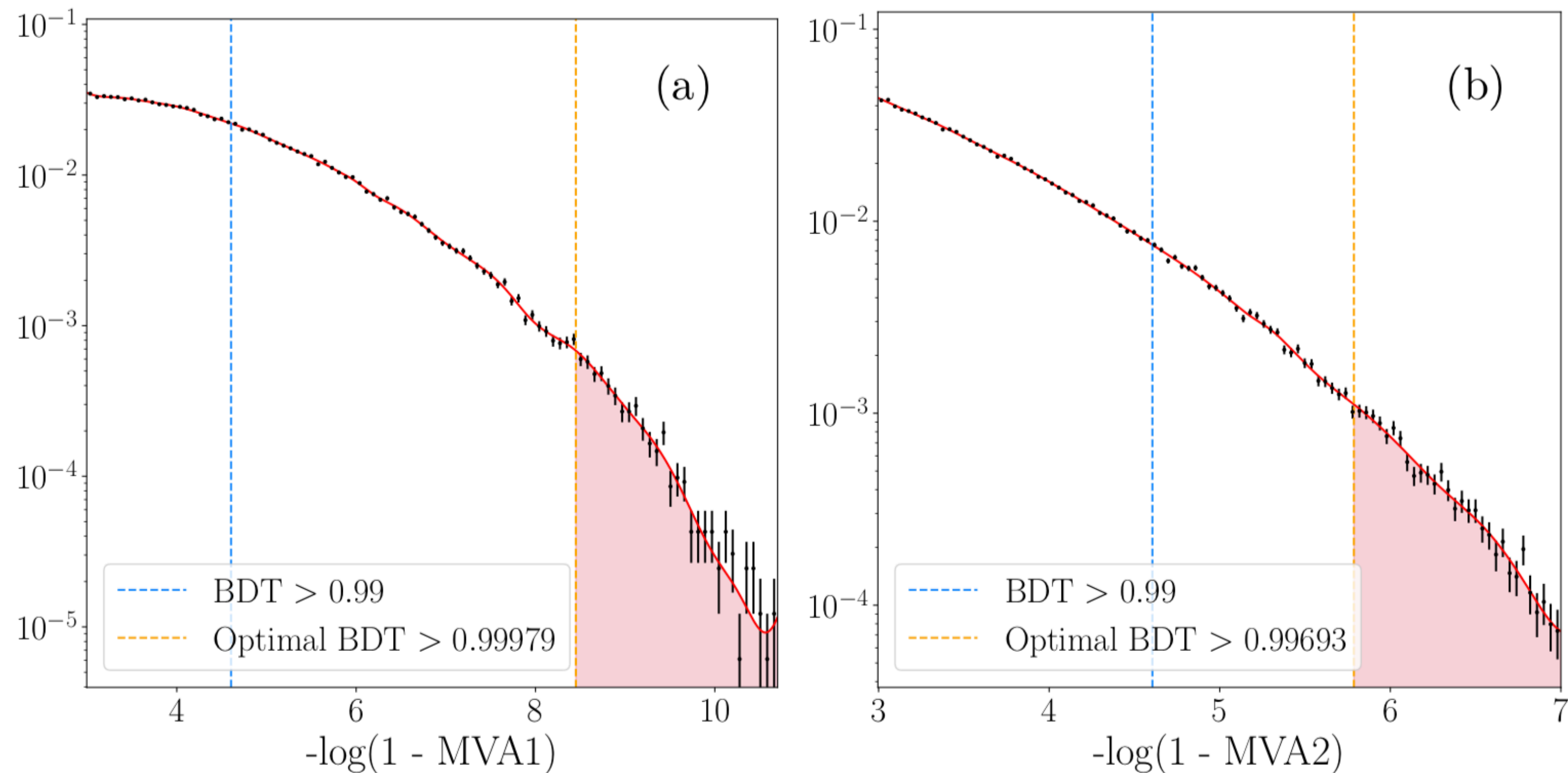
- $3\pi$  candidate mass, and masses of the two  $\pi^+\pi^-$  combinations;
- Number of  $3\pi$  candidates in the event;
- Radial distance of the  $3\pi$  candidate from the PV;
- Vertex  $\chi^2$  of the  $3\pi$  candidate;
- Momentum magnitude, momentum components, and impact parameter (transverse and longitudinal) of the  $3\pi$  candidate;

- Angle between the  $3\pi$  candidate and the thrust axis;
- Minimum, maximum, and average impact parameter (longitudinal and transverse) of all other reconstructed decay vertices in the event;
- Mass of the PV;
- Nominal  $B$  energy, defined as the  $Z$  mass minus all reconstructed energy apart from the  $3\pi$  candidate.

# Optimisation

Perform a two dimensional optimisation on the BDT cuts (2500 points in total) maximise  $S/(S+B)$

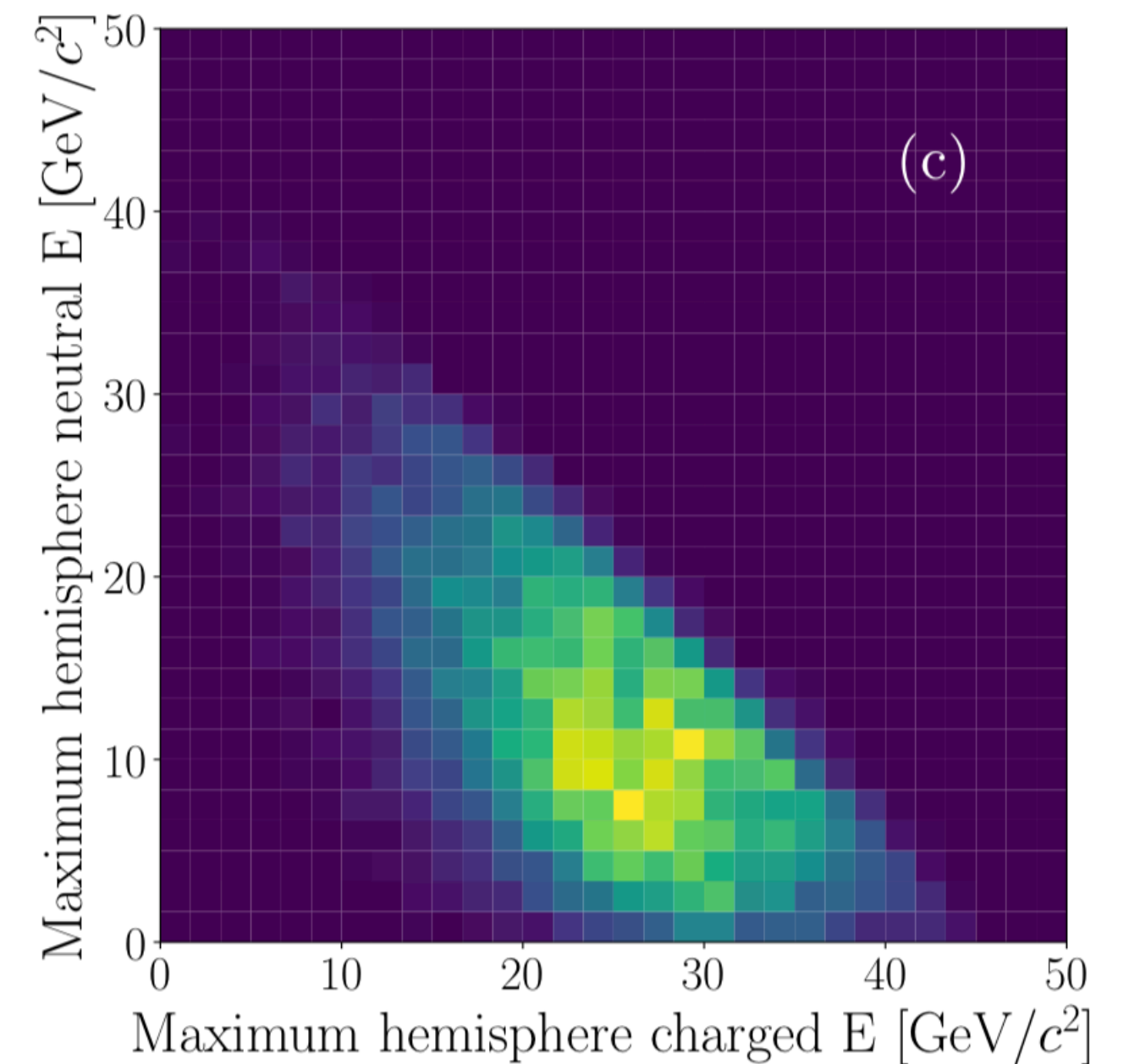
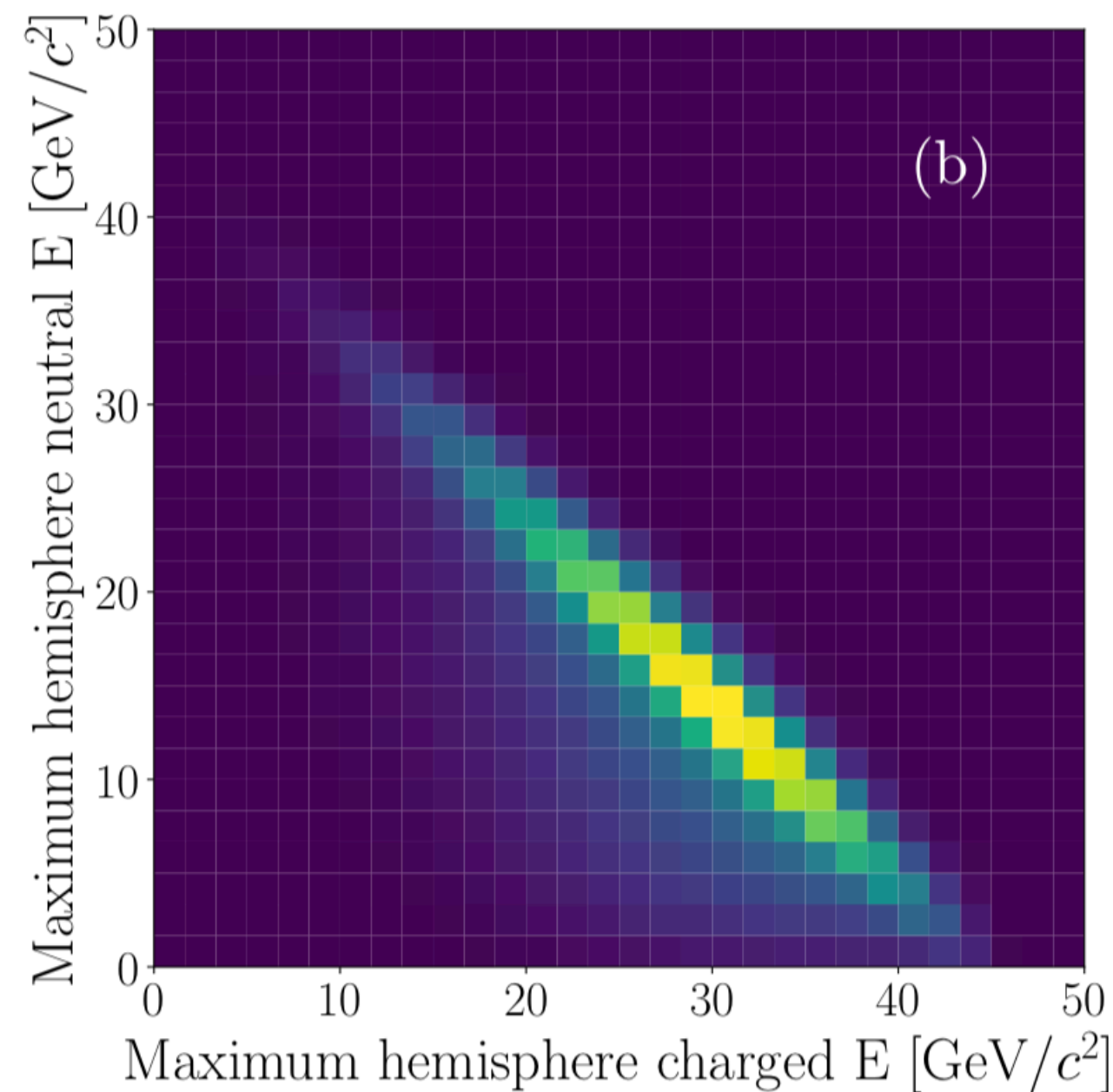
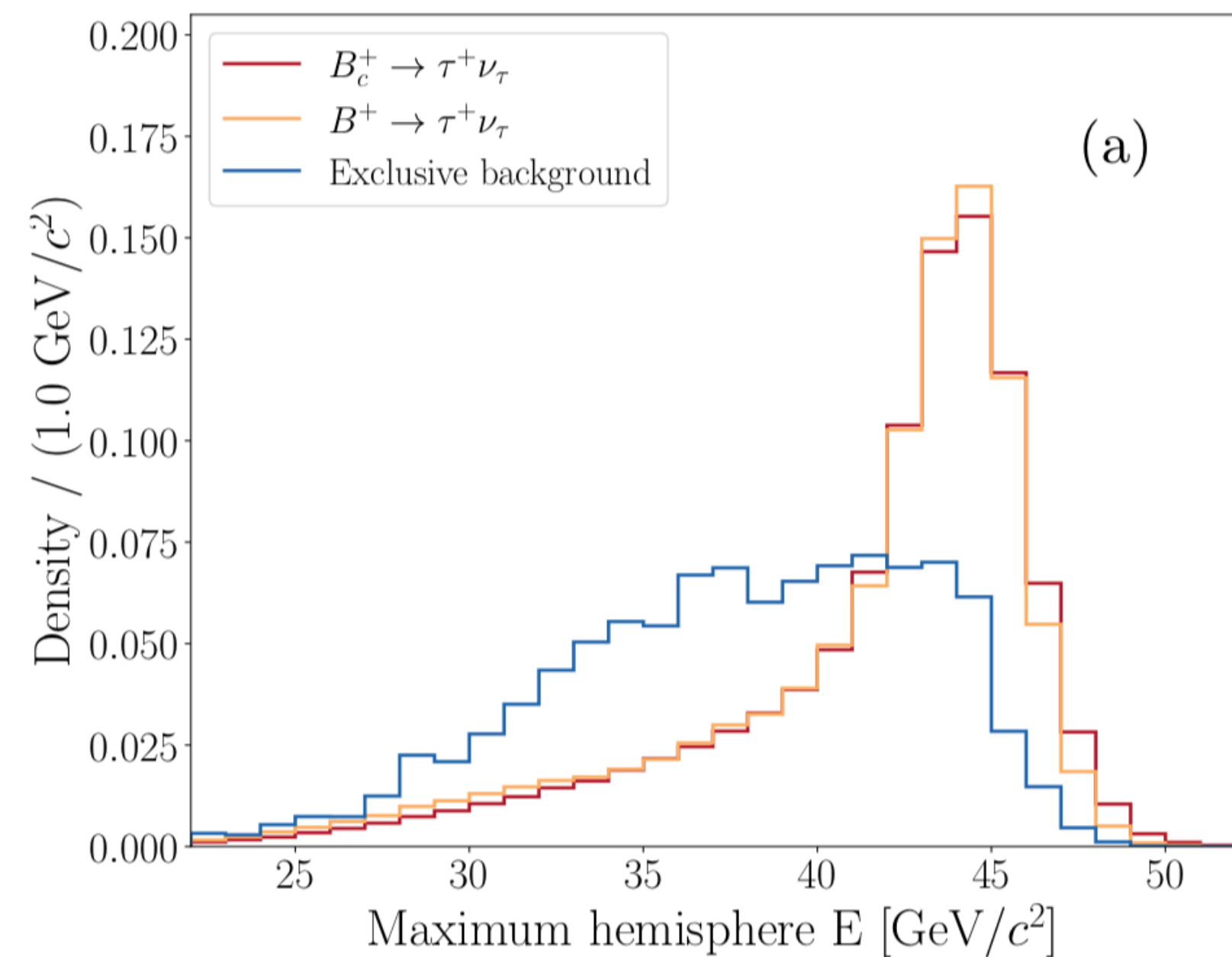
$$N(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau) = N_Z \times \mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}) \times 2 \times f(B_c^+) \times \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau) \times \mathcal{B}(\tau^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \bar{\nu}_\tau) \times \epsilon,$$





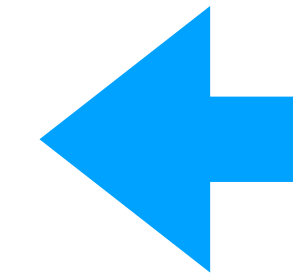
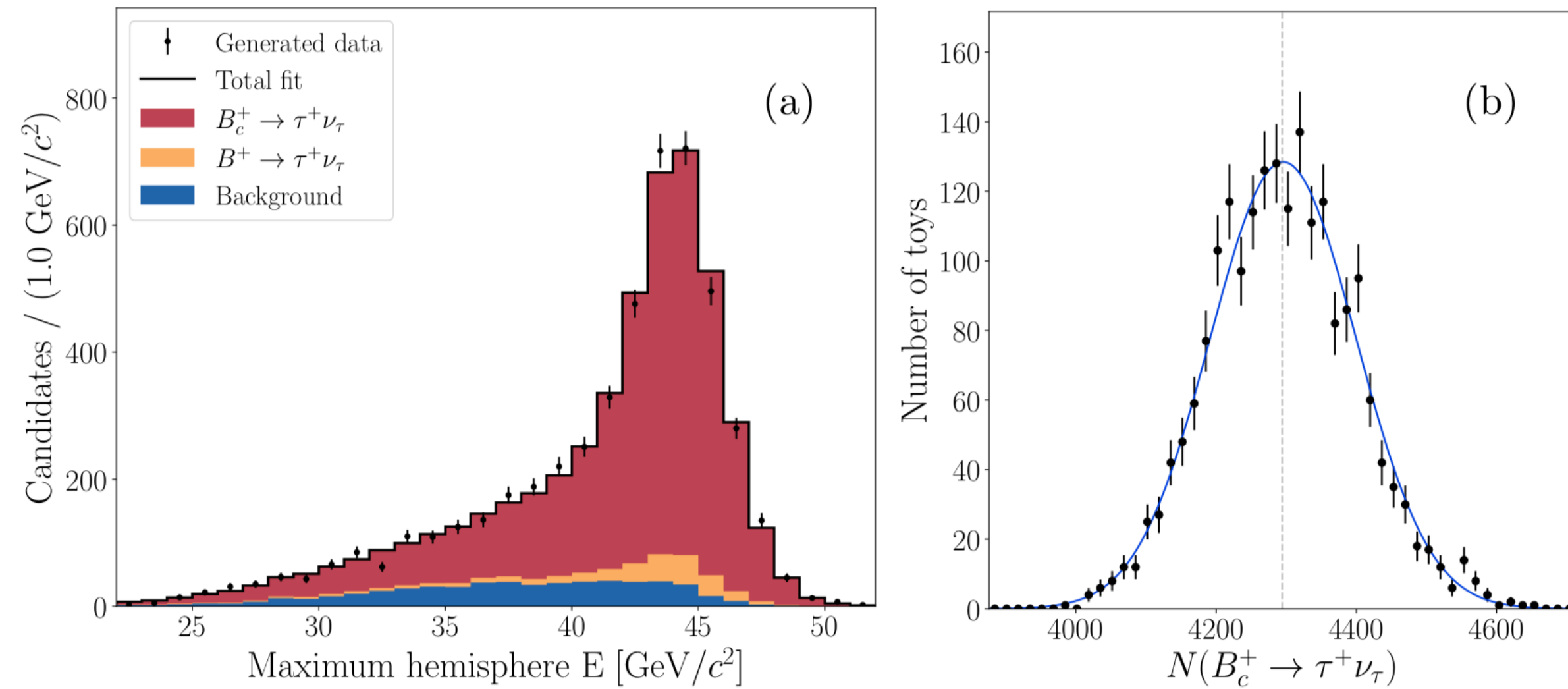
# Towards the fit

Compare signal and background distributions after tight BDT cut  
and identify most discriminating ones



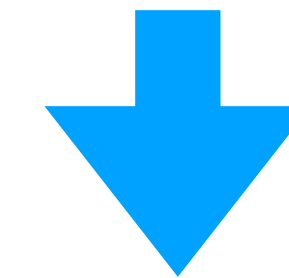
Use these histograms to build the PDF for the template fits.

# Performances

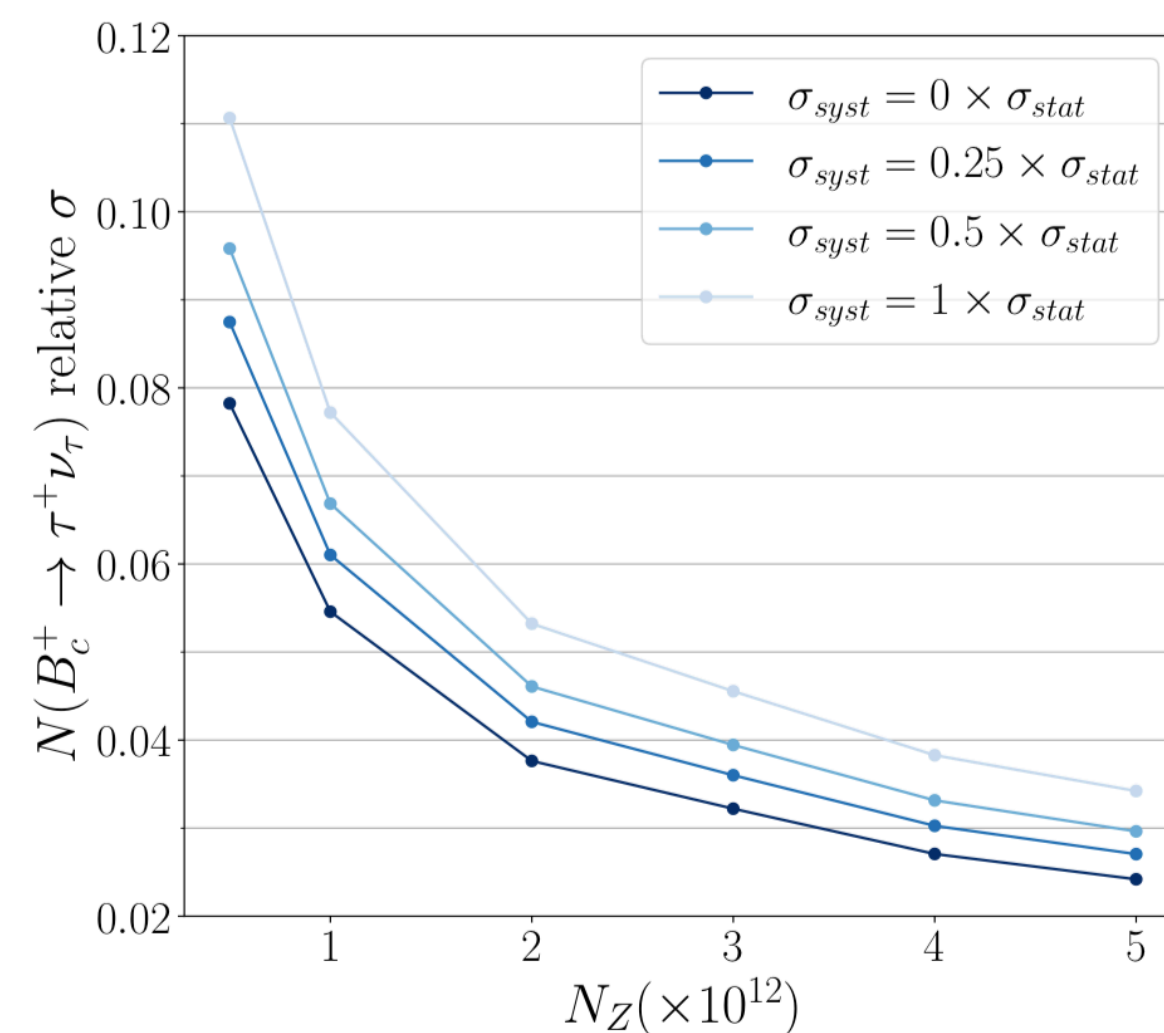


Example of one pseudo-experiment

Evolution of the sensitivity



with :  
 $N_Z = 5 \times 10^{12}$   
 2000 toys

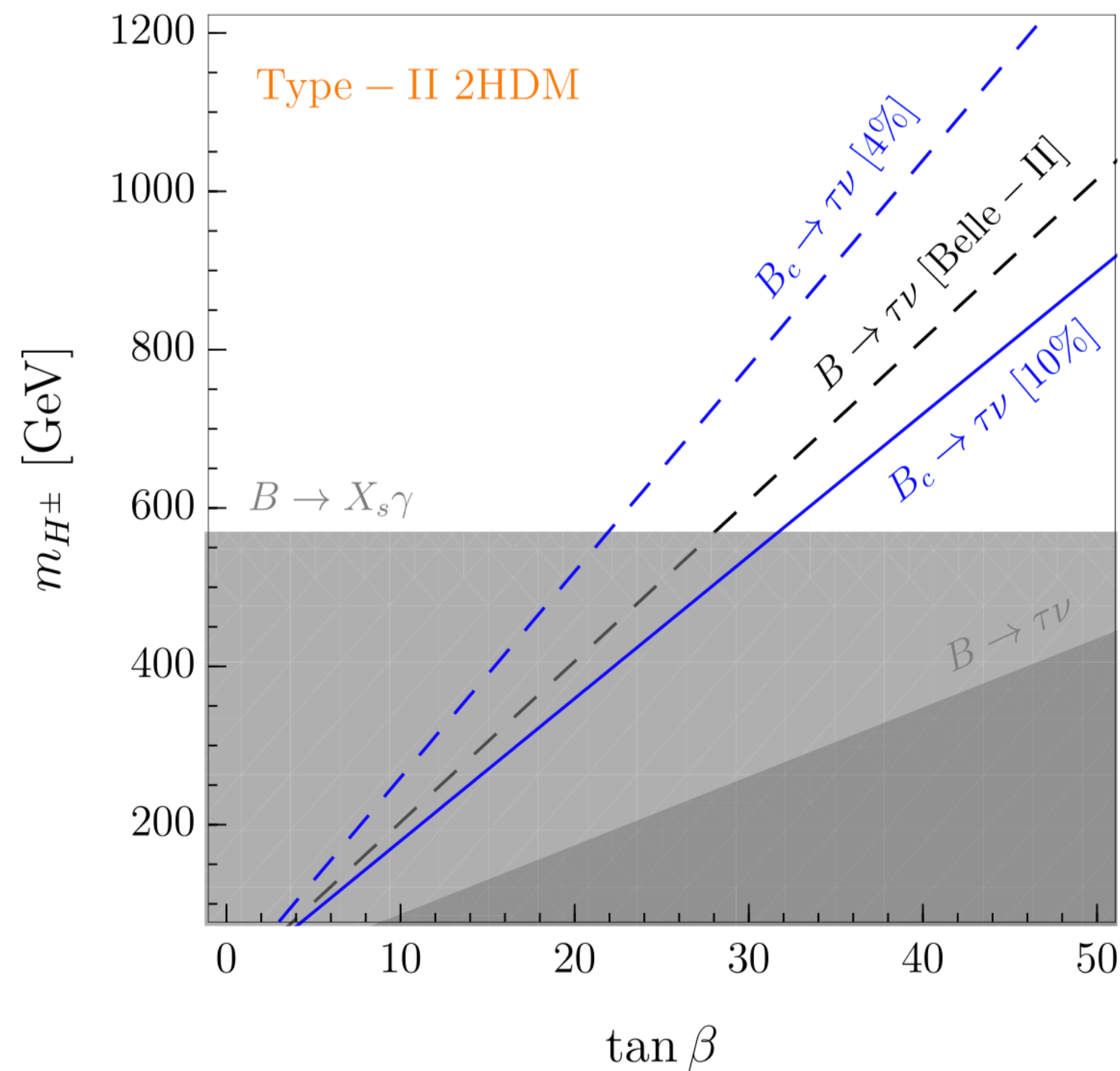


$N_Z (\times 10^{12})$	$N(B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau)$	Relative $\sigma$ (%)
0.5	430 $\pm$ 33	7.8
1	858 $\pm$ 46	5.5
2	1717 $\pm$ 64	3.8
3	2578 $\pm$ 83	3.2
4	3436 $\pm$ 93	2.7
5	4295 $\pm$ 103	2.4

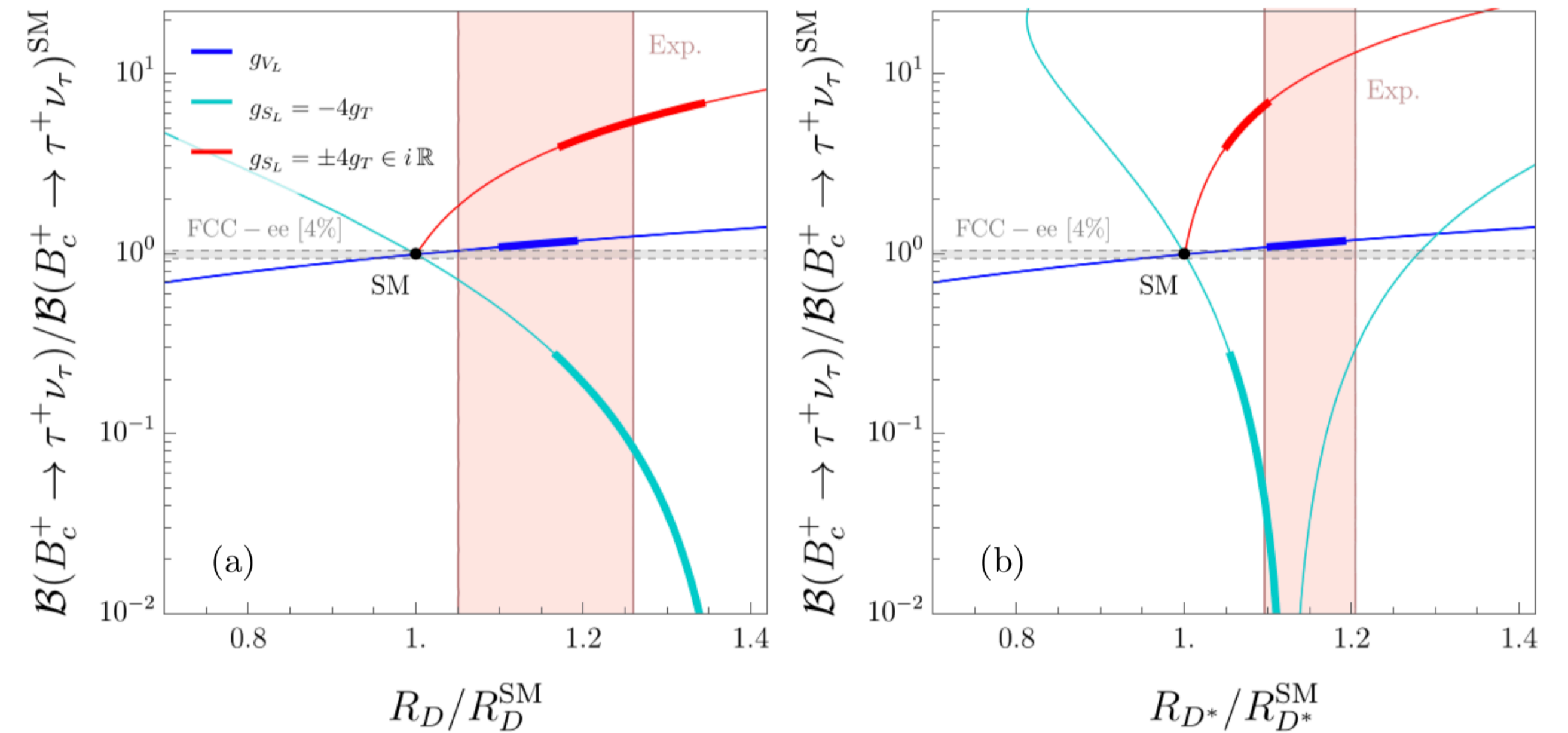
# Phenomenology

Models considered taking into account the current experimental landscape from flavour physics.

## 2HDM



## Leptoquarks



Unique opportunities are offered at FCCee for this decay.



# Conclusion

In summary, this work demonstrates why FCC-ee is the most well-suited environment for a measurement of the branching fraction of the  $B_c^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau$  decay, and represents the first FCC-ee analysis to use common software tools from EDM4HEP through to final analysis.

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That's it !





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