

$R(D^*)_{\tau/e}$ measurement in Run 3

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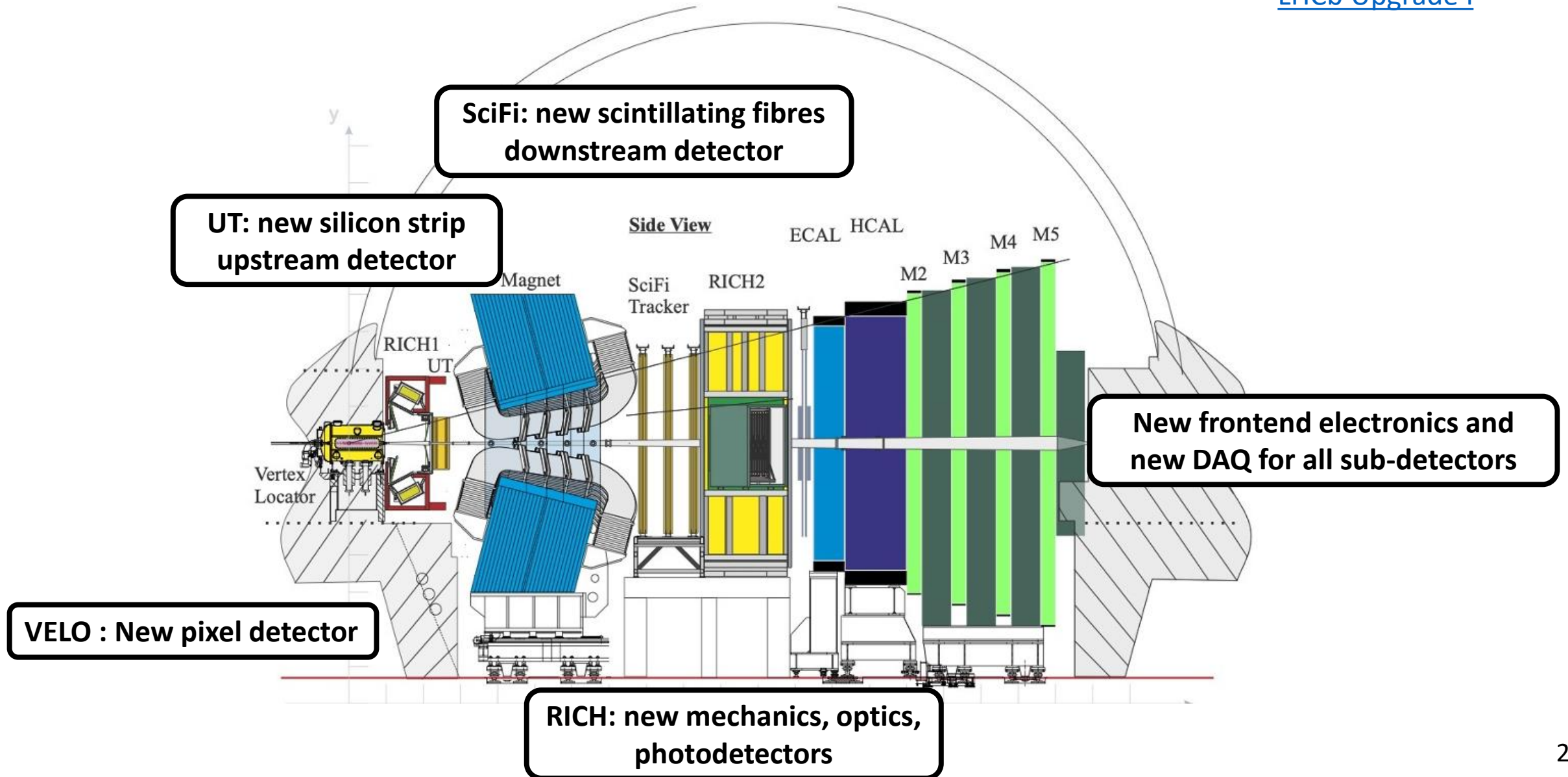
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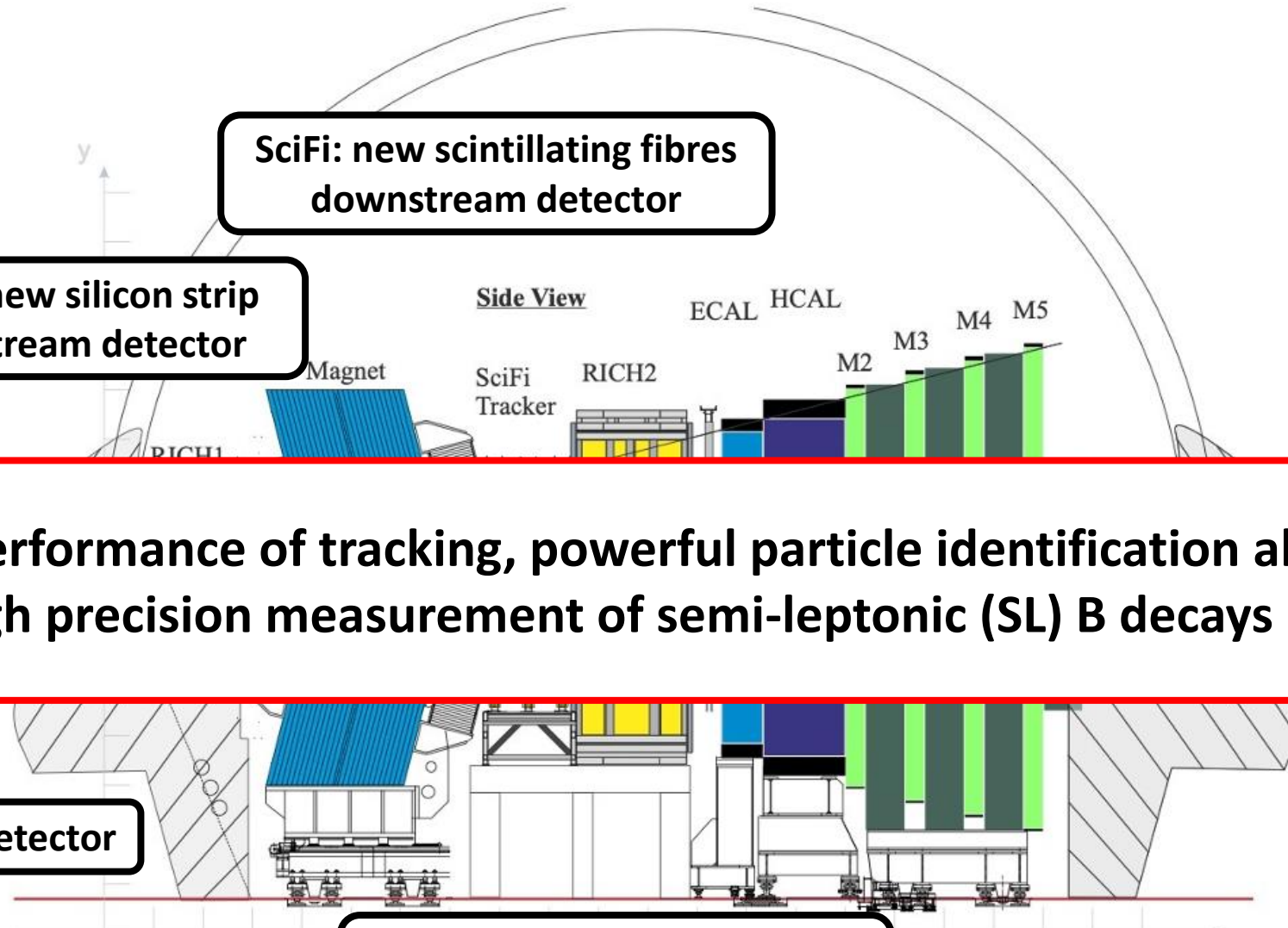
UT: new silicon strip
upstream detector

SciFi: new scintillating fibres
downstream detector

Excellent performance of tracking, powerful particle identification allows to perform high precision measurement of semi-leptonic (SL) B decays !

VELO : New pixel detector

RICH: new mechanics, optics,
photodetectors



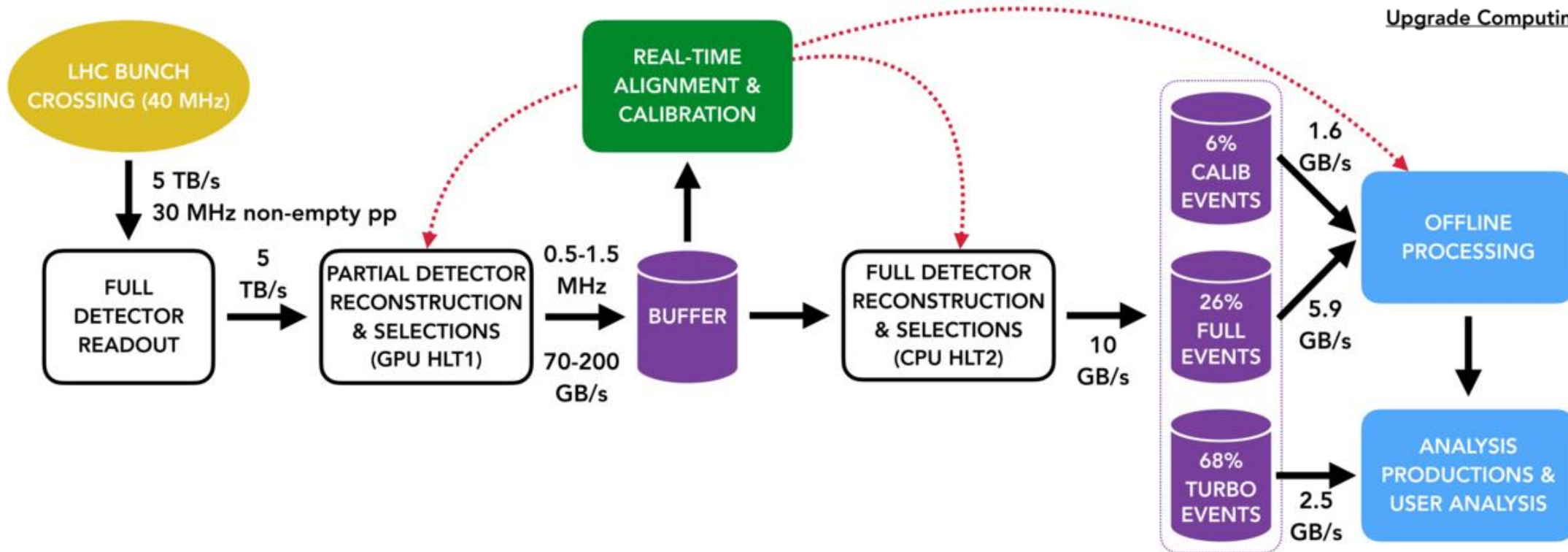
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Introduction – LHCb data flow

All numbers related to the dataflow are taken from the LHCb

[Upgrade Trigger and Online TDR](#)

[Upgrade Computing Model TDR](#)



- Data received by O(500) FPGAs and built into events in the event building (EB) farm servers
- In HLT1 trigger, perform partial reconstruction and selections. Reduce the rate by a factor of 30
- In buffer, real-time analysis and calibration are performed and used in next trigger
- In HLT2, perform full event reconstruction and exclusive selections.

Motivation of this analysis

In Run 3, we are benefited from

Better electron efficiency



Improved Bremsstrahlung reconstruction



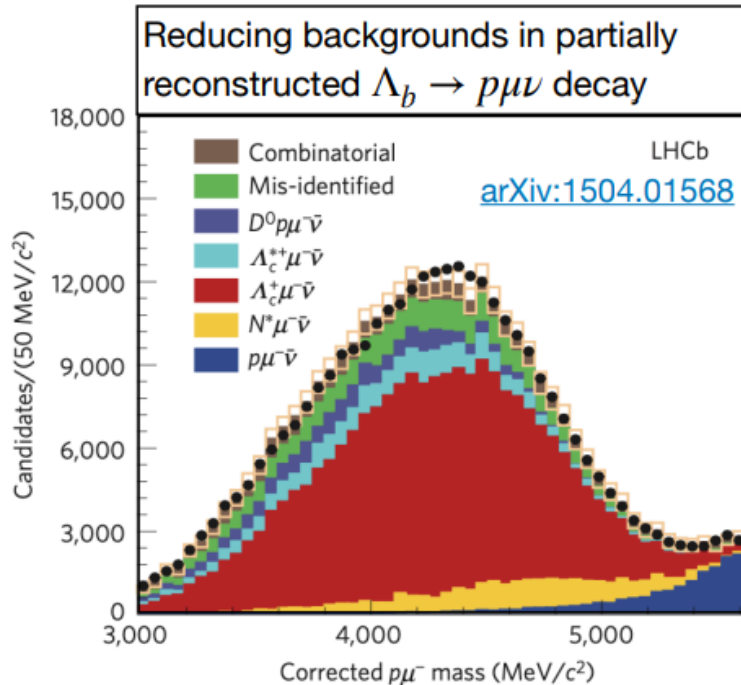
We have a lot of advantages measuring $R(D^*)_{\tau/e}$ compared to Run 1 & 2

$$R(D^*)_{\tau/e} \equiv \frac{BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}{BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} e^+ \nu_e)}$$

→ It's the first time people test $\tau - e$ universality at LHCb !

Charged isolation MVA

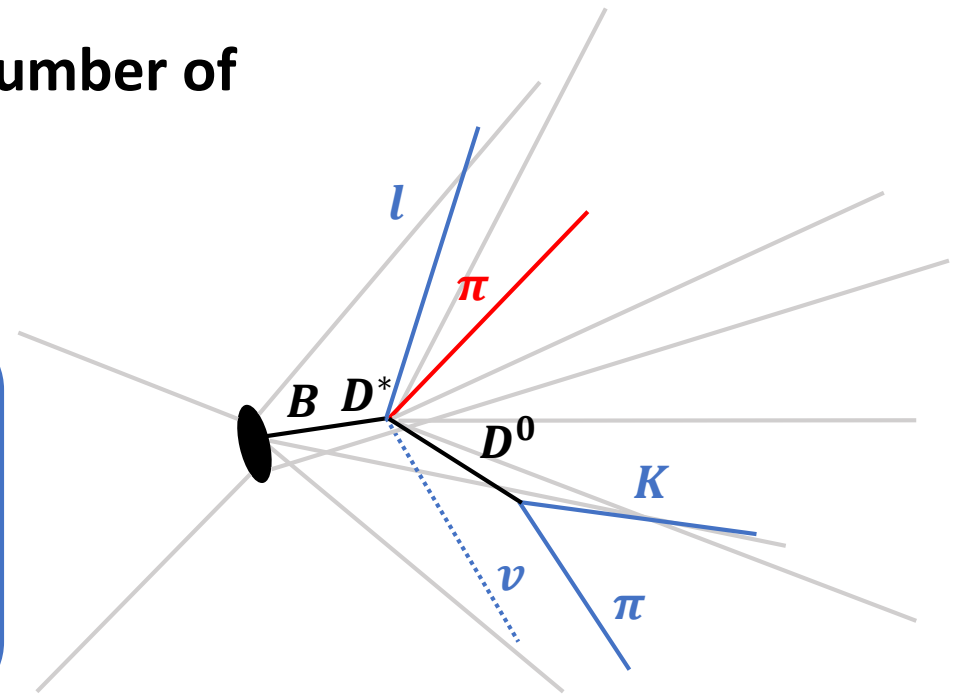
Challenge in SL analysis



In semi-leptonic analysis, due to the presence of neutrino, there are broad overlapping distributions
→ Hard to discriminate signal from background candidates

Necessary to reduce the number of background tracks !

We save the ground state (D^0 , lepton) and extra tracks and reconstruct the excited state (D^*) offline
→ In Run 3, we can't store all the extra tracks due to bandwidth limitations



MVA study - performance

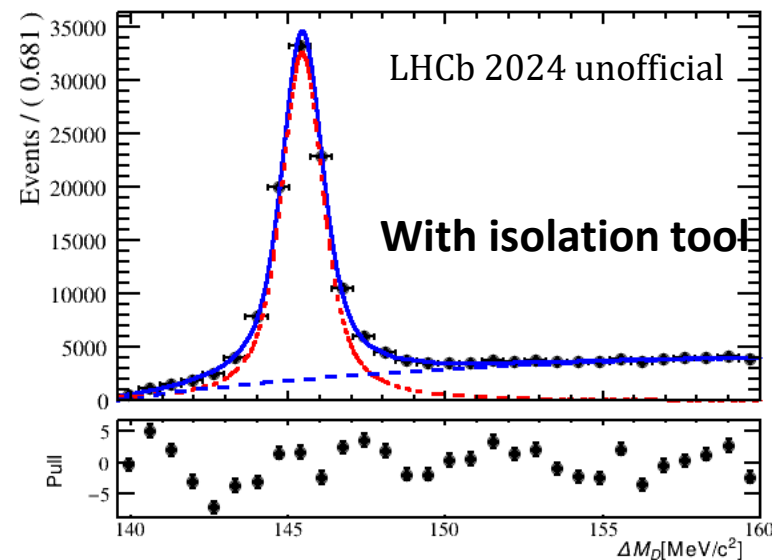
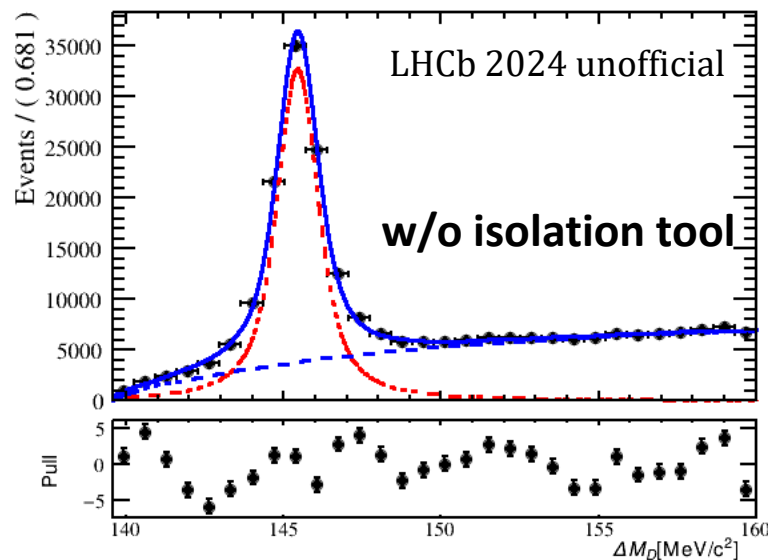
To identify tracks that likely originate from the B hadron decay, We train the model using **XGBoost**

Training features :

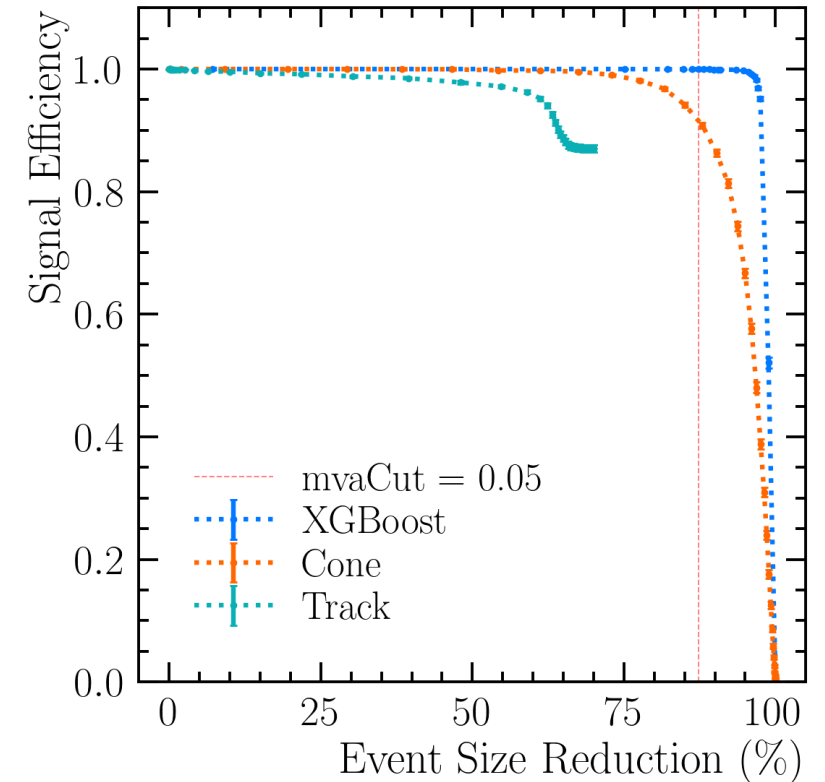
Geometric or kinematic properties of the extra track either by itself or relative to the signal candidate

Samples :

MC of 19 semileptonic decay channels with μ or e in the final state



Fit plots for $M_{D^*} - M_{D^0}$ distribution in data



ROC curve of isolation mva and the legacy methods

Remove ~ 40% background and only lose ~ 0.4% signal !

Methodology

Lepton Flavour Universality determination

We study Lepton Flavour Universality by measuring

$$R(D^*)_{\tau/e} \equiv \frac{BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}{BR(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} e^+ \nu_e)}, \text{ where } \tau^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \bar{\nu}_\tau$$

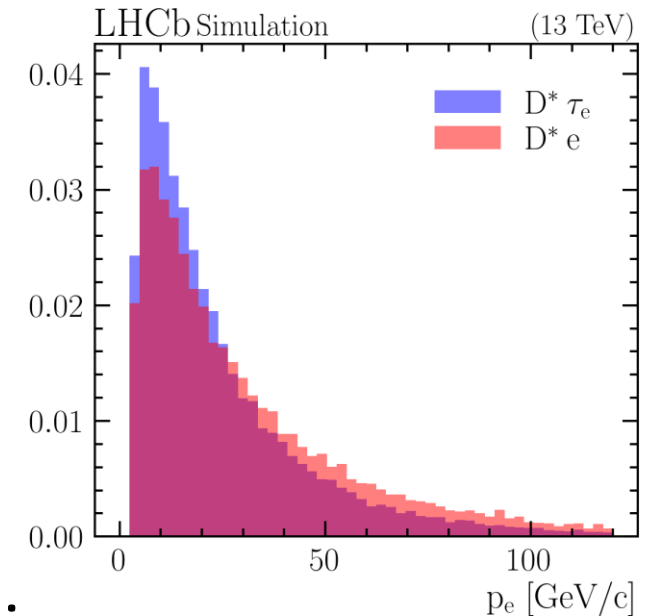
$$= \frac{N(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}{N(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} e^+ \nu_e)} \times \frac{\epsilon(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} e^+ \nu_e)}{\epsilon(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \tau^+ \nu_\tau)}$$

Extract signal yields using
multi-dimensional fitter

Obtained efficiency from simulation
and calibrated by data study

Both decays have electrons in final state

→ Measuring the ratio can cancel many sources of systematic error



Kinematic reconstruction

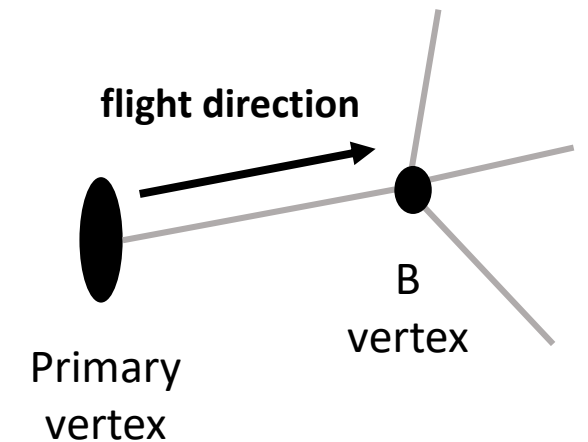
Due to the presence of **neutrinos in the decay**, we can only reconstruct B meson partially

In this study, we reconstruct B-meson kinematics with the following procedure

Correct reconstructed $(p_{B^0})_z$ with true m_{B^0}

$$(p_{B^0})_z \approx \frac{m_{B^0,PDG}}{m_{B^0,reco}} \times (p_{B^0,reco})_z.$$

Derive $|\vec{p}_{B^0}|$ using the flight direction of B^0 obtained from the positions of primary vertex and B^0 vertex

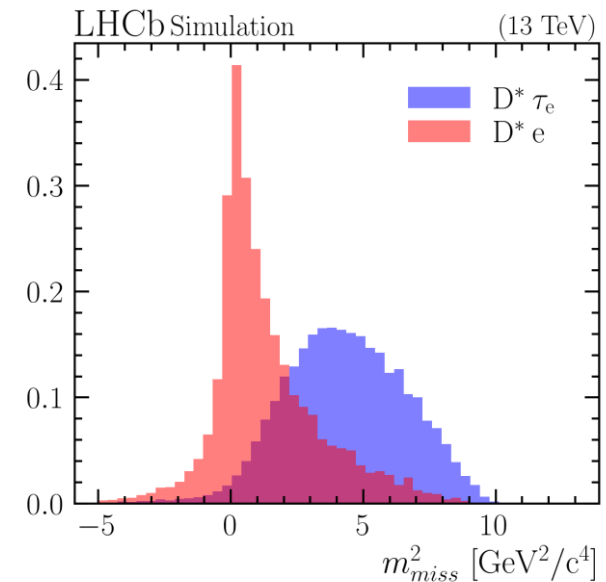
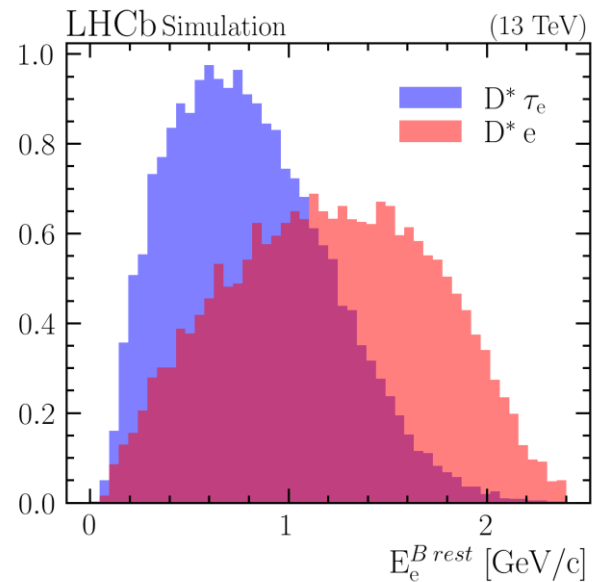
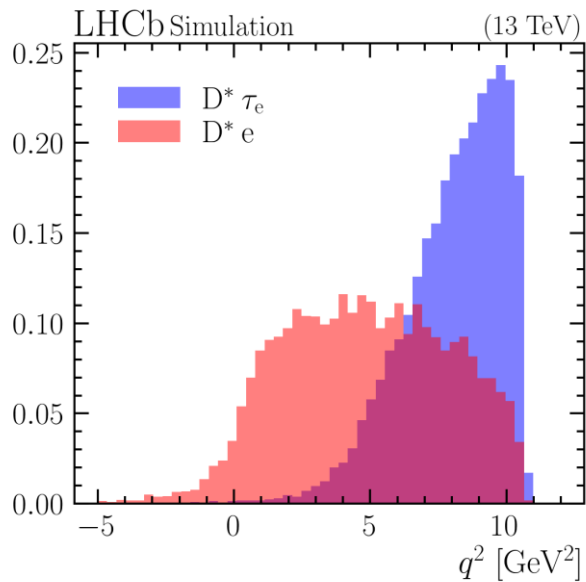


$$|\vec{p}_{B^0}| = (p_{B^0})_z / \cos \alpha, \text{ where } \alpha \text{ is angle between flight direction and the z-axis}$$

Fitting variables

Due to the success in $R(D^*)_{\tau/\mu}$ analysis, we plan to use the same fitting variables

- $M_{missing}^2 = (p_{B^0} - p_{D^*} - p_e)^2$
- $q^2 = (p_{B^0} - p_{D^*})^2$
- E_e^* : Electron energy in B rest frame which are derived from modified \vec{p}_{B^0}



$D^* e$ and $D^* \tau$ sample are well separated !

Methodology - Vertex isolation

Dominated semi-leptonic background in Run 1 & 2 $R(D^*)_{\tau/\mu}$ analysis :

Higher excited background : $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{**}(\rightarrow D^* n\pi)lv, (n \geq 1)$

In this analysis, the charge isolation mva is used to perform the vertex isolation – to remove the events which have multiple high mva score extra tracks

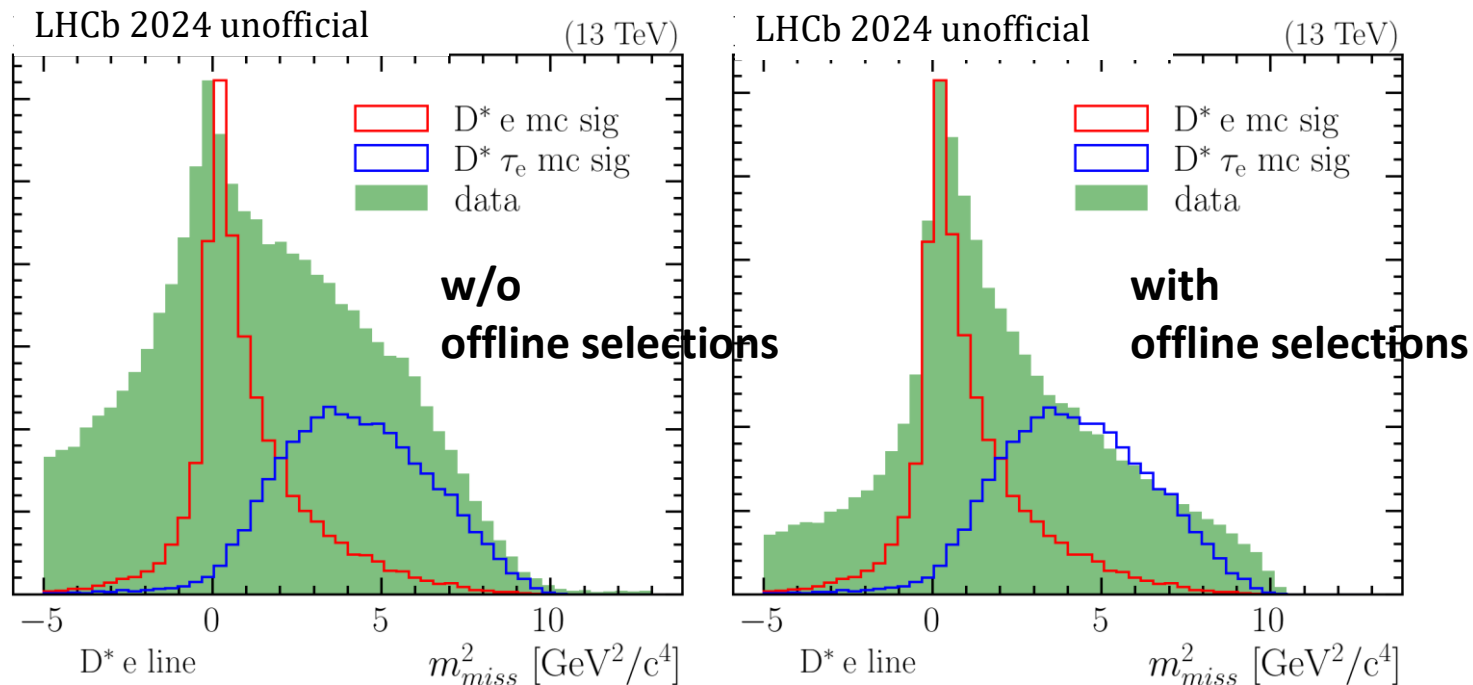
Double charmed background : $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* H_c(\rightarrow lvX)X$

We plan to use the similar strategy to remove the background, and the preparation of simulation samples is in progress.

Status and outlook

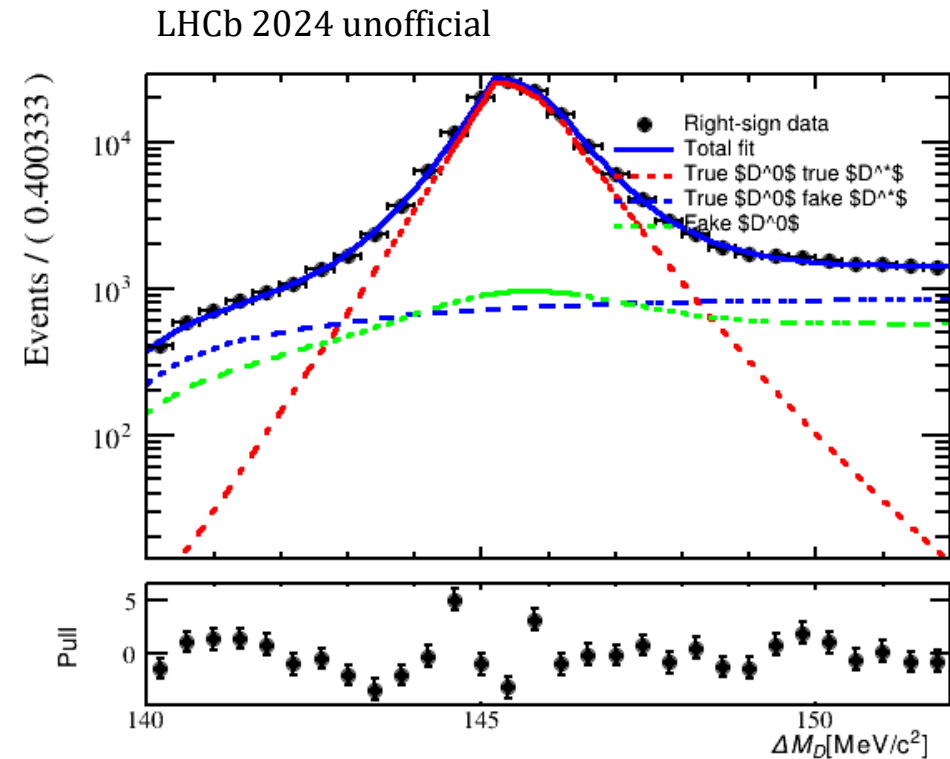
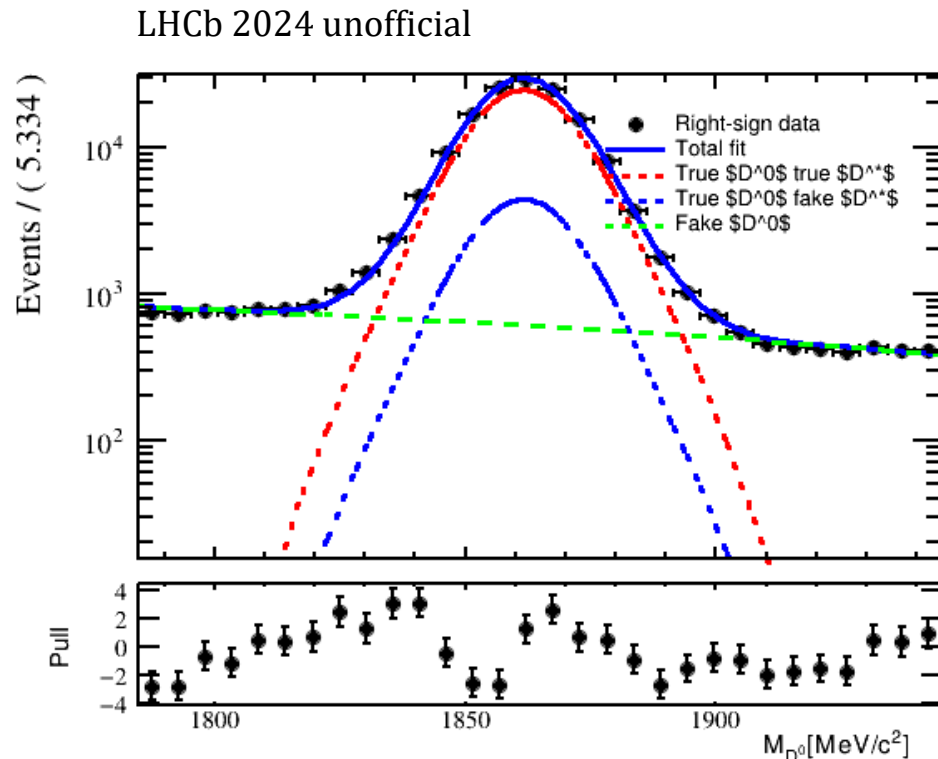
Status

- Trigger selections have been tuned
- Isolation technique has been proven on data, with $B \rightarrow D^* e \nu$ decays as first test case
- Offline selection roughly in place



Status

- Request of MC samples for the physics backgrounds is in progress
- Higher excited states can be suppressed by using the isolation MVA
- Removing combinatorial background from charm decays with s-weights

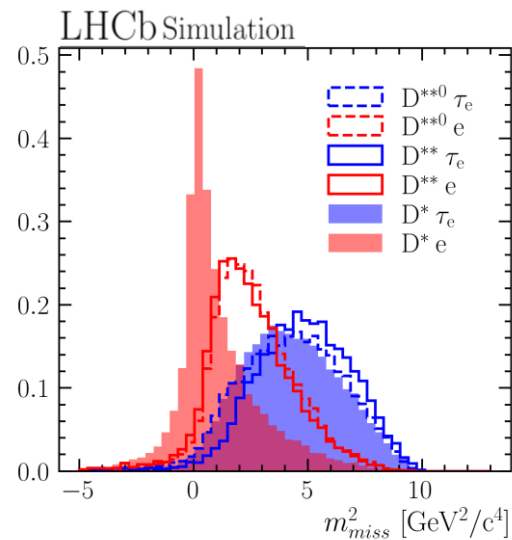


Next step

Fitter preparation

Templates from simulation

- Signal channels
- Double charm background
- Higher excited background



Data-driven templates

- Combinatorial background
- Fake lepton background

Further efficiencies study from simulated samples and real data

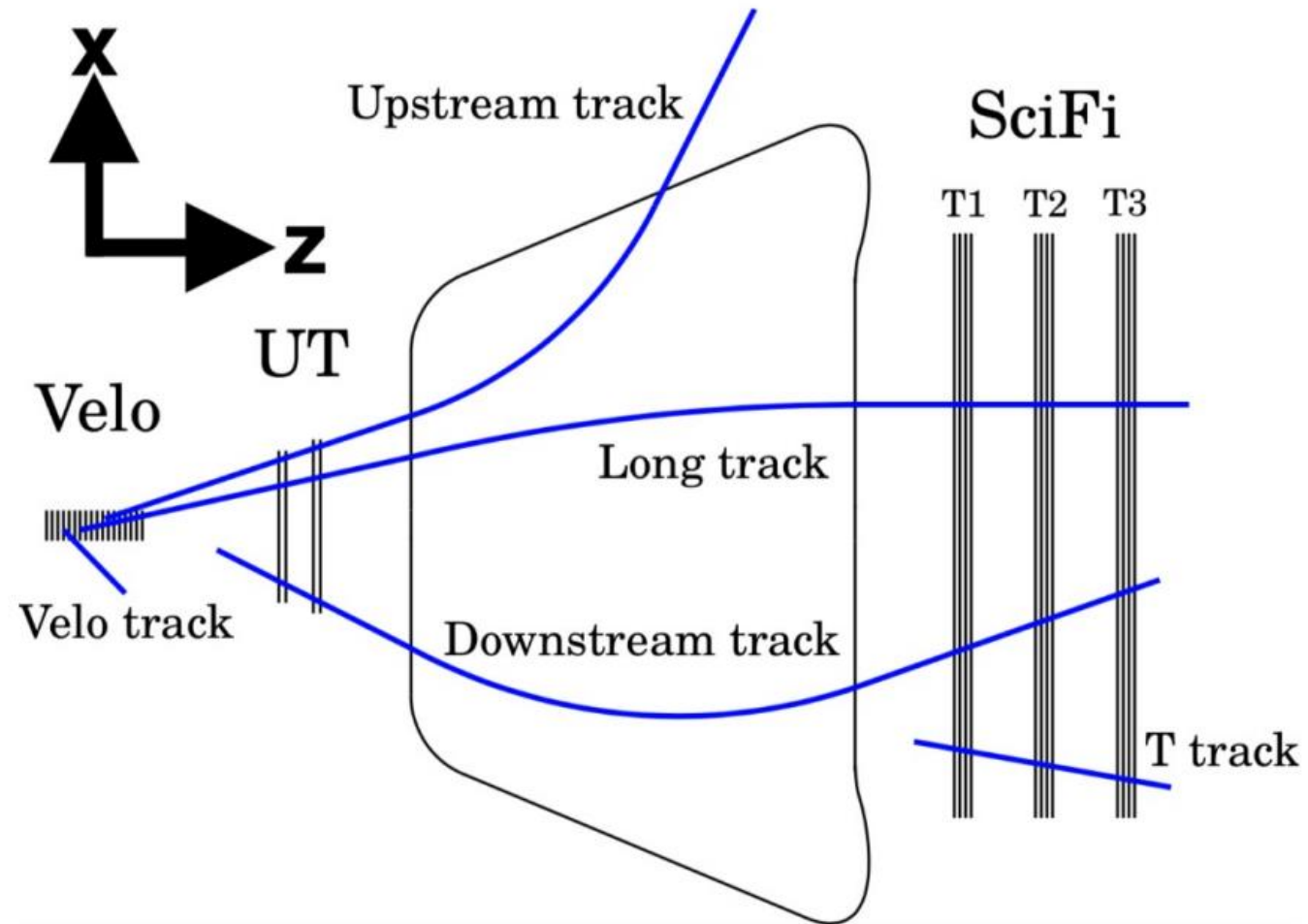
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Summary

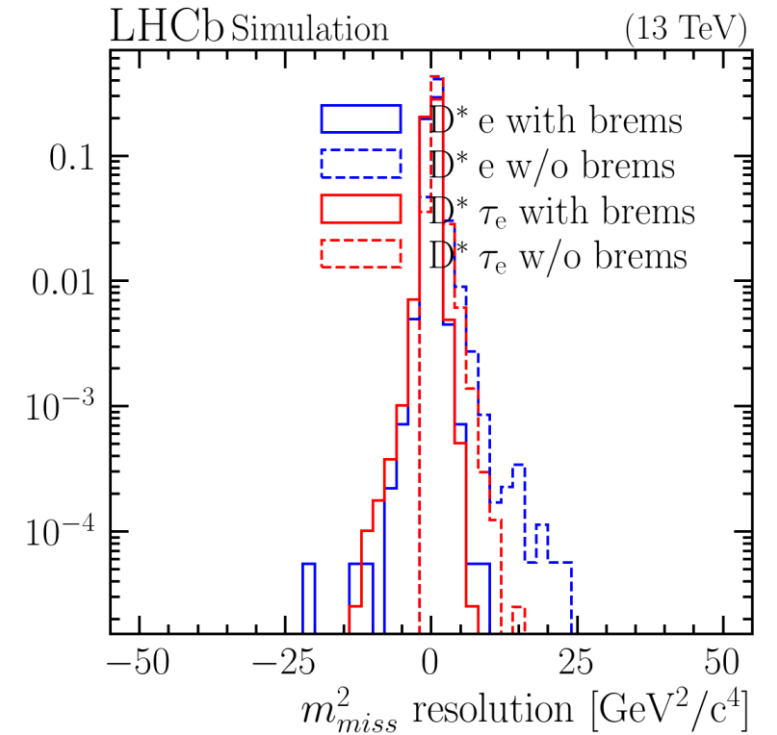
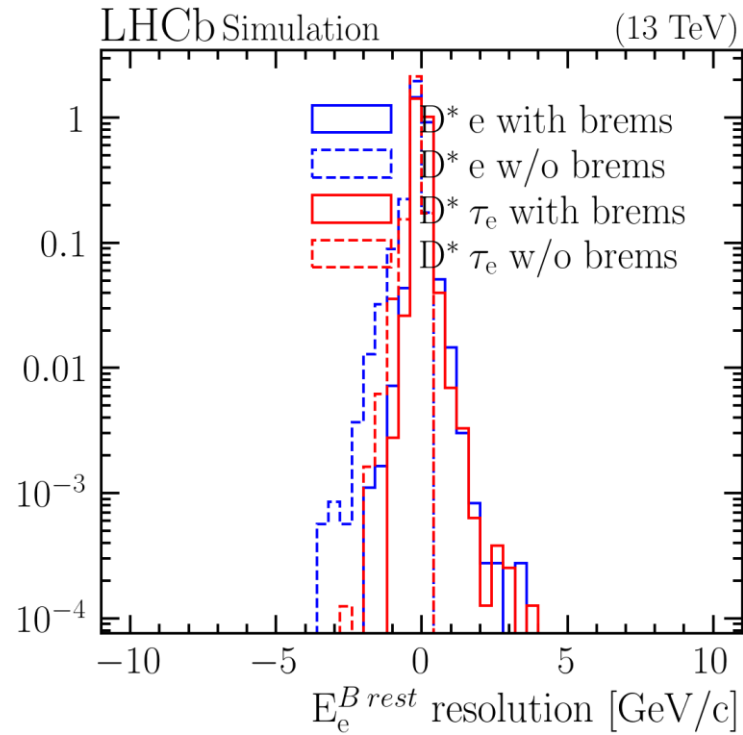
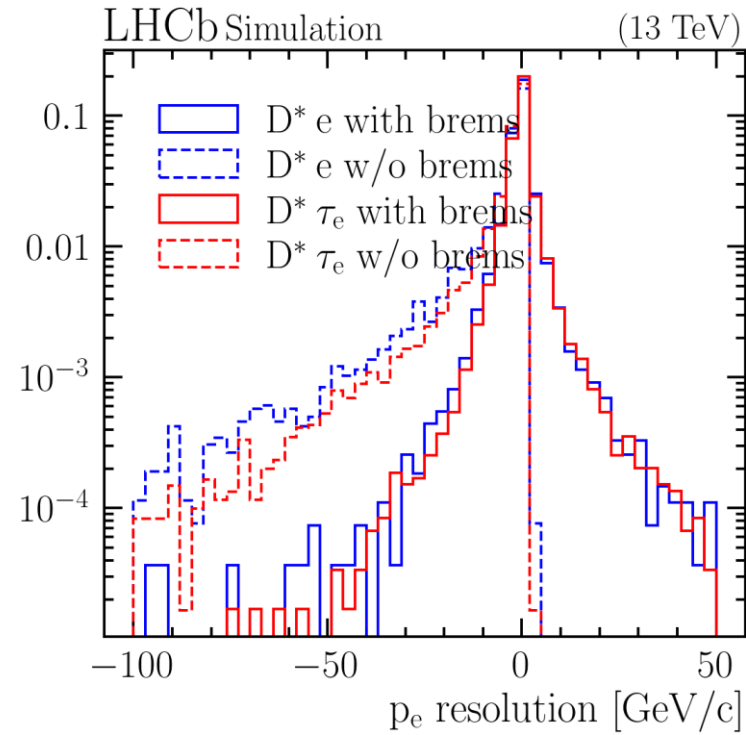
- $R(D^*)_{\tau/e}$ measurement in Run 3 has started.
- The charged isolation MVA is implemented in working group and tested in both data and simulation.
- D^*e and $D^*\tau$ can be distinguished using the fitting variables from the $R(D^*)_{\tau/\mu}$ analysis.
- The preparation of the background simulation samples is in progress.

Backup

Type of tracks in LHCb

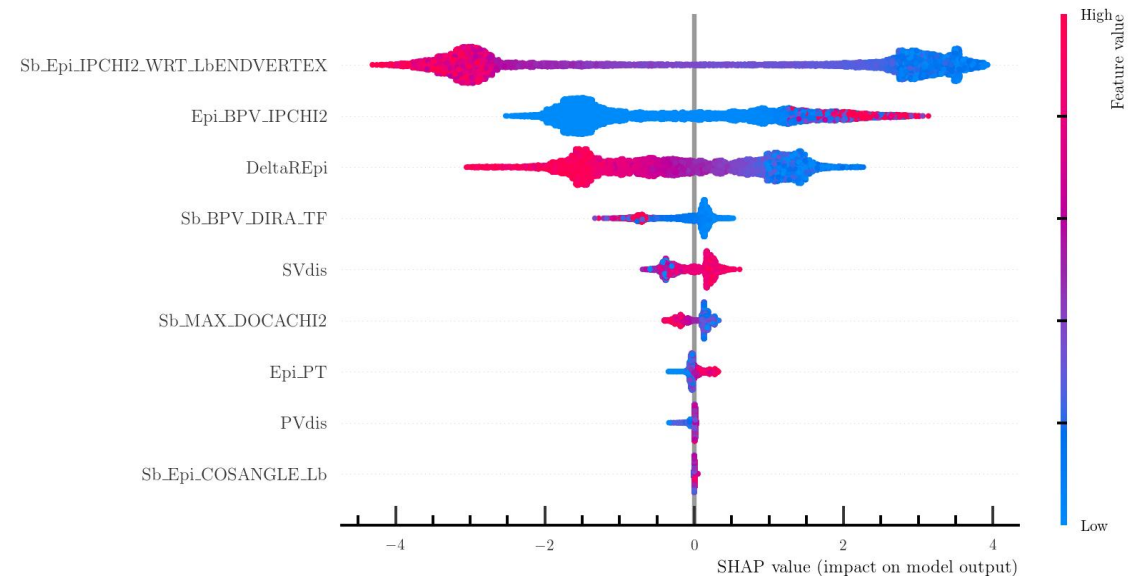
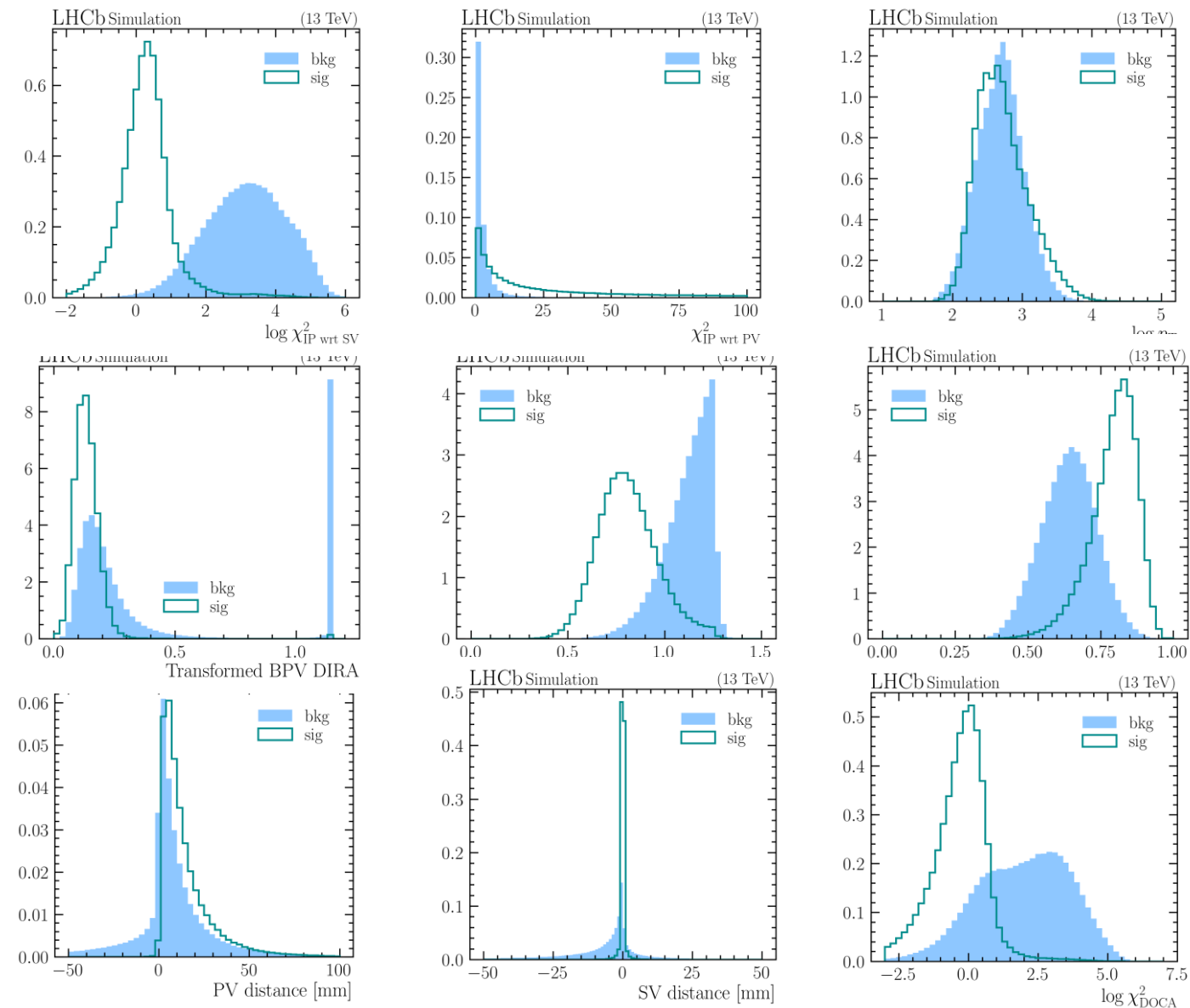


Bremstrahlung reconstruction



Resolution : $Variable^{Rec} - Variable^{Truth}$

Isolation MVA - training



Sample :

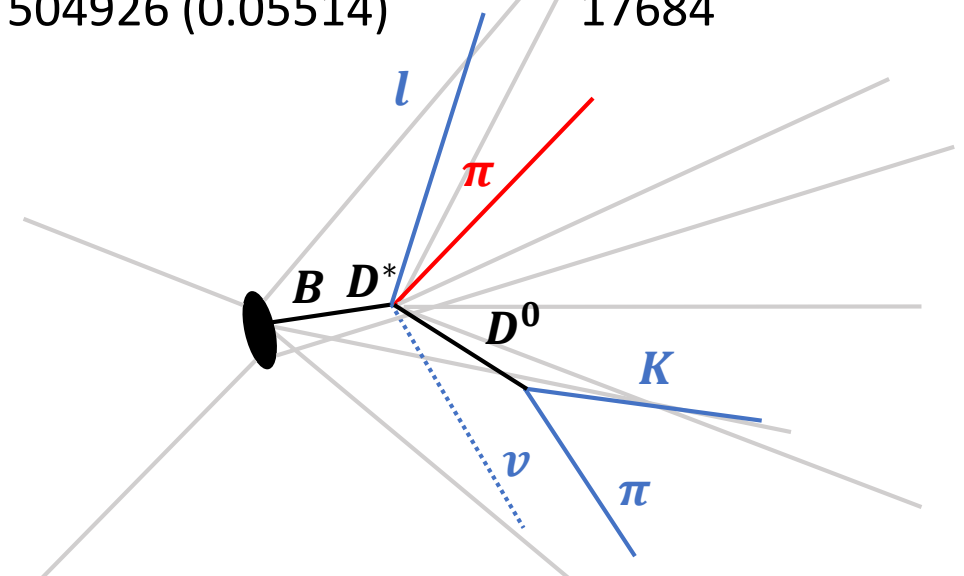
30 k signal tracks and **50~100 times more bkg tracks** for each SL decay channels (19 in total).

Optimise hyper parameters by maximising the area under the ROC curve

Sample

	Cocktail Notes	MagUp # of event in DIGI	MagDown # of event in DIGI	# of sig* in tuple
$B^+ \rightarrow D^{**} e \nu$	$D^*(2640)^0, D(2S)^0$ $D_1(2420)^0, D_2^*(2460)^0$	501336	548972 (0.07168)	71957
$B^+ \rightarrow D^{**} \tau \nu$	$D_1(H)^0, D_1(2420)^0$ $D_2^*(2460)^0$	617623	500681 (0.05021)	98235
$B^0 \rightarrow D^{**} e \nu$	$D^*(2640)^-, D(2S)^-$ $D_2^*(2460)^-, D_1(2420)^-$	504953	500680 (0.07108)	64754
$B^0 \rightarrow D^{**} \tau \nu$	$D_0^{*-}, D_1(H)^-$ $D_2^*(2460)^-, D_1(2420)^-$	501585	504926 (0.05514)	17684

*With 2024 condition



Vertex isolation

Procedure :

- Choose the best $D^0 e$ combination in each event, then rank the mva score of the $B_{best}^{*-} \pi^+$ combinations.
- In a event, if the 2-th candidate has $bdt > 0.99$, remove the event

Vertex isolation – performance of r-s sample

	Efficiency [%]			Xdigi (Generator cut eff [%])	# of candidates after offline sels
	Vertex isolation	Highest mva	Offline selection		
$B^+ \rightarrow D^* e \nu$	90.9	75.5	70.8	1011748 (0.17)	17124
$B^+ \rightarrow D^* \tau \nu$	91.9	76.6	72.3	1084565 (0.06)	38461
$B^+ \rightarrow D^{**} e \nu$	64.3	3.1	2.2	1050308 (0.07)	12698
$B^+ \rightarrow D^{**} \tau \nu$	67.4	3.9	2.8	1118304 (0.05)	8953
$B^0 \rightarrow D^{**} e \nu$	48.5	2.9	1.0	1005633 (0.07)	17901
$B^0 \rightarrow D^{**} \tau \nu$	88.8*	8.2	1.1	1006511 (0.06)	8953

Highest mva : Choose the candidate which has the highest bdt score

Right-side : Only select the right-side candidate (We will fit the right-side data sample to determine the signal yields)

Offline selection : $eID > 0.5$, $\eta_e < 4.5$ and $140 < \Delta M_{D^*} < 152$ MeV