

Introduction

I thought that one topic that can be shared among different experiments and phenomenologists is the statistical treatment and interpretation of the results.

Here I am sharing some random thoughts and mainly questions

- ✳️ **Low stats vs high stats:**

- ◆ Low stats (almost no background): transfer of knowledge neutrino physics -> others

- ✳️ **Sharing information:** HEPdata

- ✳️ Frequentist vs Bayesian

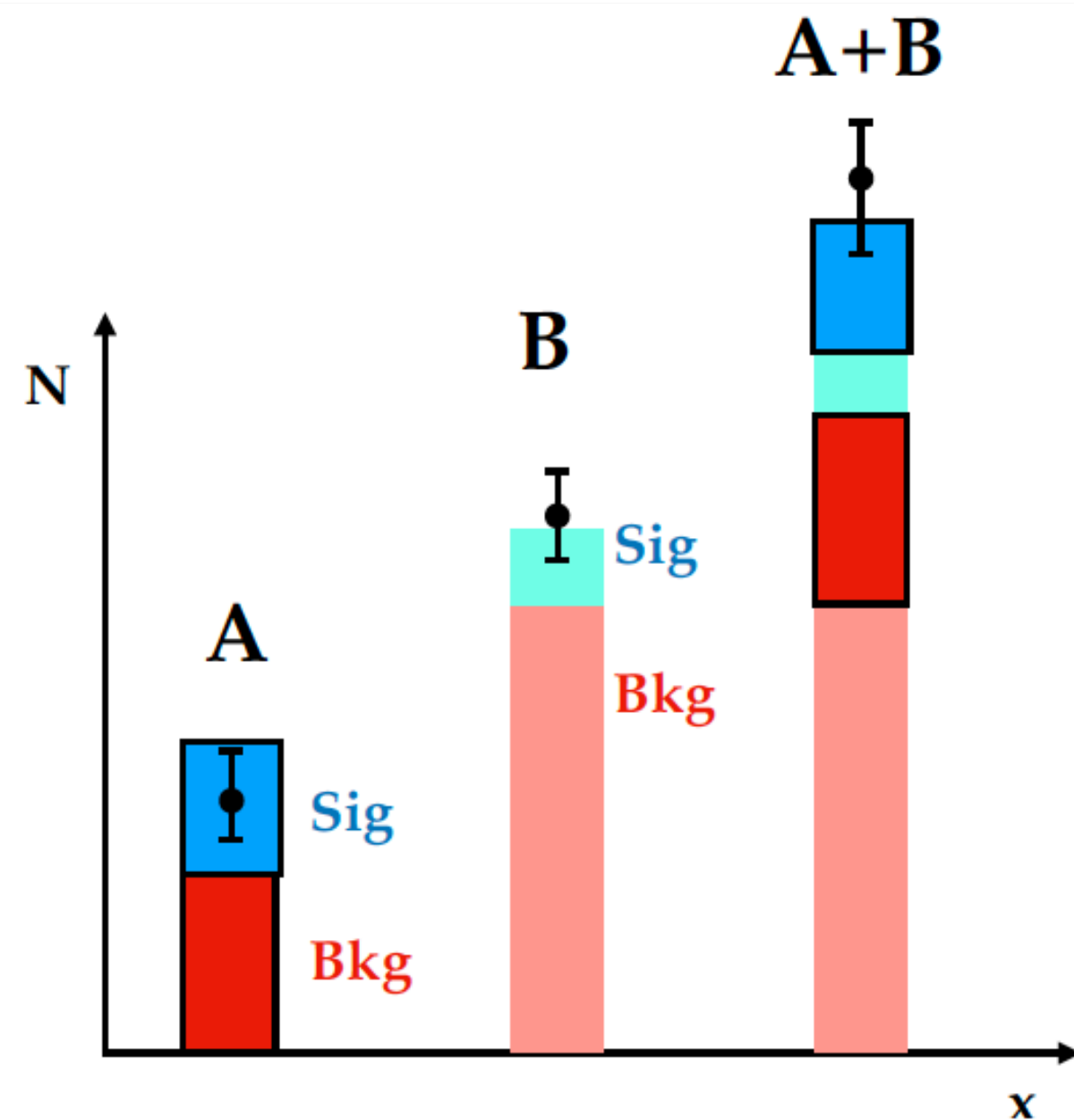
- ✳️ **Global fits and combinations**

- ◆ Global fit in the SM exist, no combination for dark sector searches as far as I know (maybe GAMBIT?)

- ✳️ **Counting vs shape analysis** (unbinned analysis)

- ◆ See next slide

Binned—> unbinned



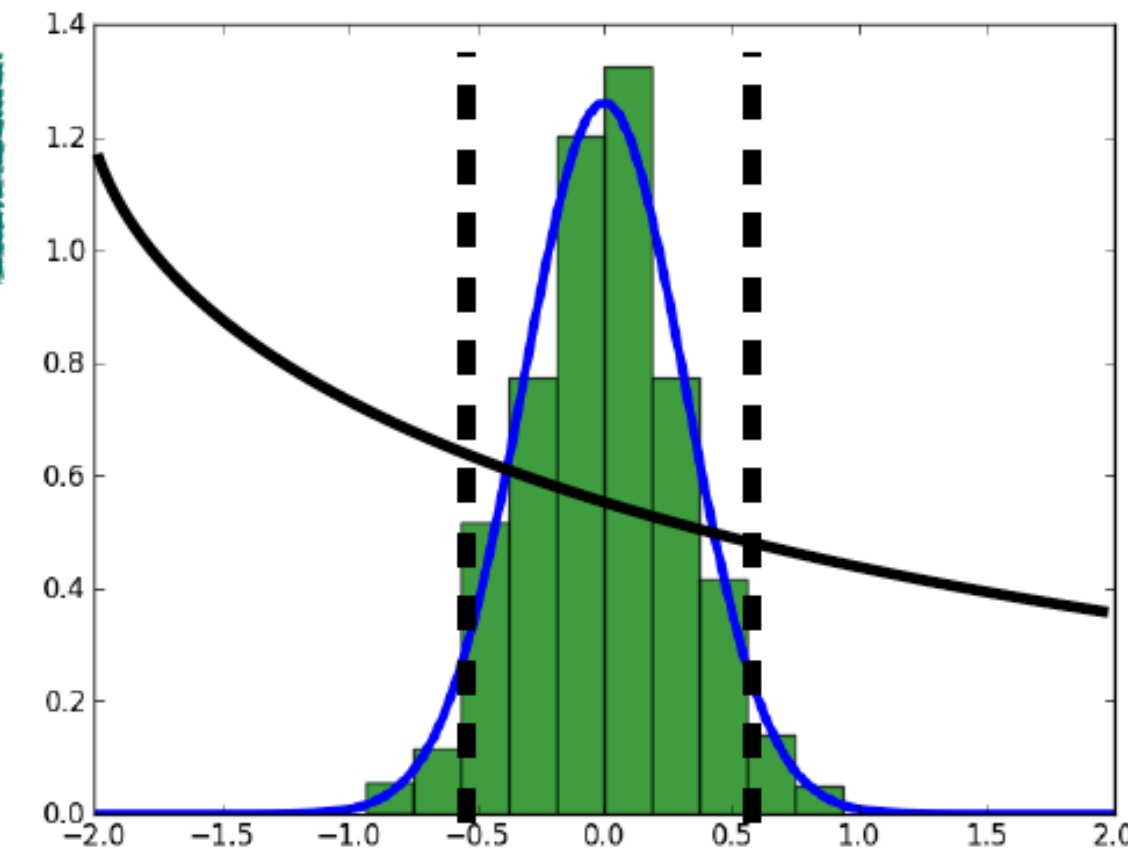
The combination of A and B is better (more significant) than considering all the events in the same bin

$$P_{s+b}(X \leq X_{obs}) = \sum_{X(\{d'_i\}) \leq X(\{d_i\})} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-(s_i+b_i)} (s_i+b_i)^{d'_i}}{d'_i!}$$

Thomas Junk, Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A 434 (1999) 435-443

- Combining categories with different S/B increases the sensitivity

- Shape = using many bins, each one with a different S/B. Each bin is a sort of “channel” or category
- Shape analysis can be
 - binned (many categories)
 - or unbinned



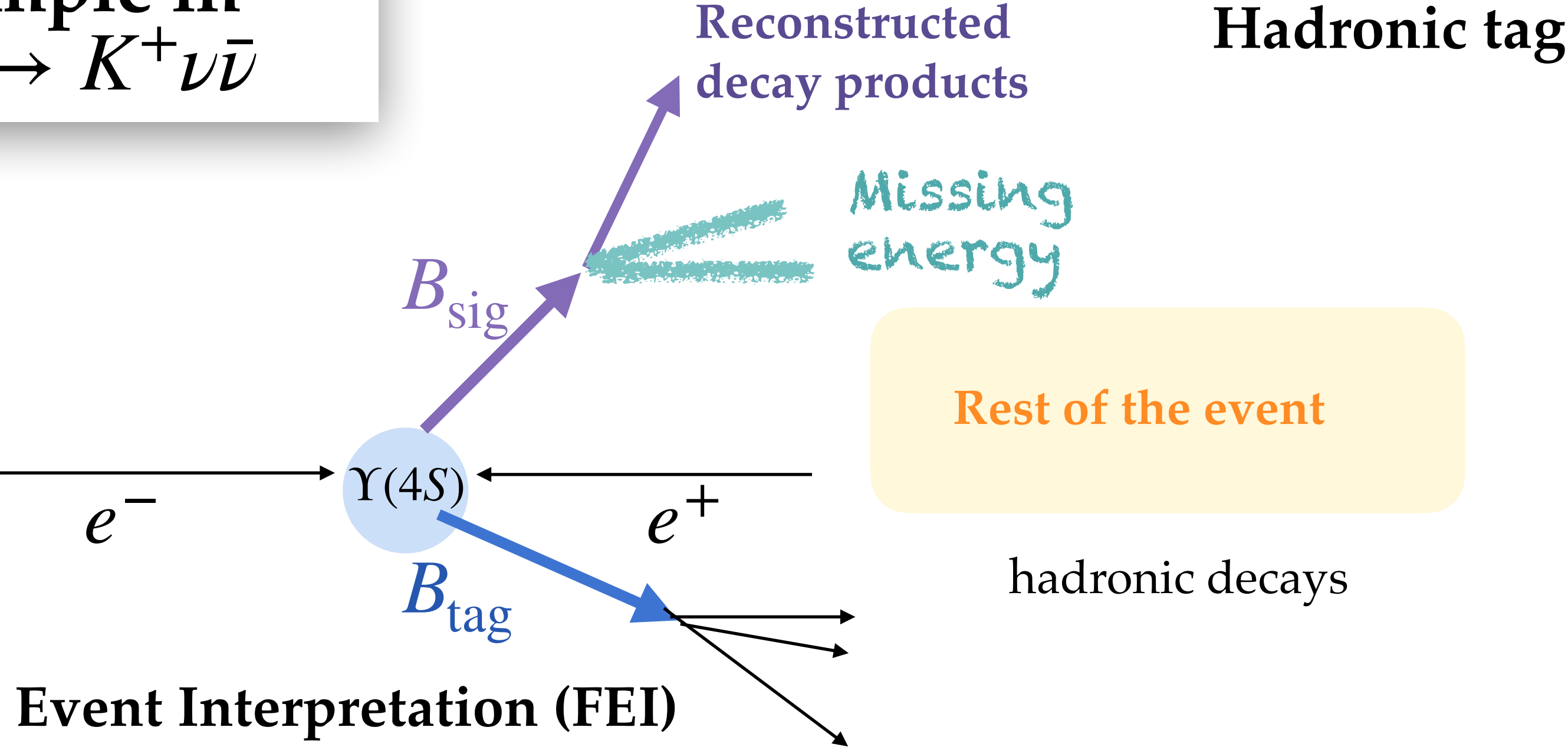
By cutting a window:

- Loose the tails of the signal
- Loose the possibility to combine channels with different S/B

$$k^{-1} \prod_i (\mu S \boxed{f_s(x_i)} + B \boxed{f_b(x_i)}) \cdot e^{-(\mu S + B)}$$

Shapes

Example in $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$



Full Event Interpretation (FEI)

[Keck, T. et al. *Comput Softw Big Sci* 3, 6 (2019)]

MVA based B-tagging algorithm with hierarchical approach to reconstruct $\mathcal{O}(10^4)$ decay chains

$$q_{\text{rec}}^2 = \frac{s}{4} + m_K^2 - \sqrt{s}E_K^* - 2\mathbf{p}_{\text{tag}} \cdot \mathbf{p}_K$$

Resolution can be as low as 0.1 GeV2

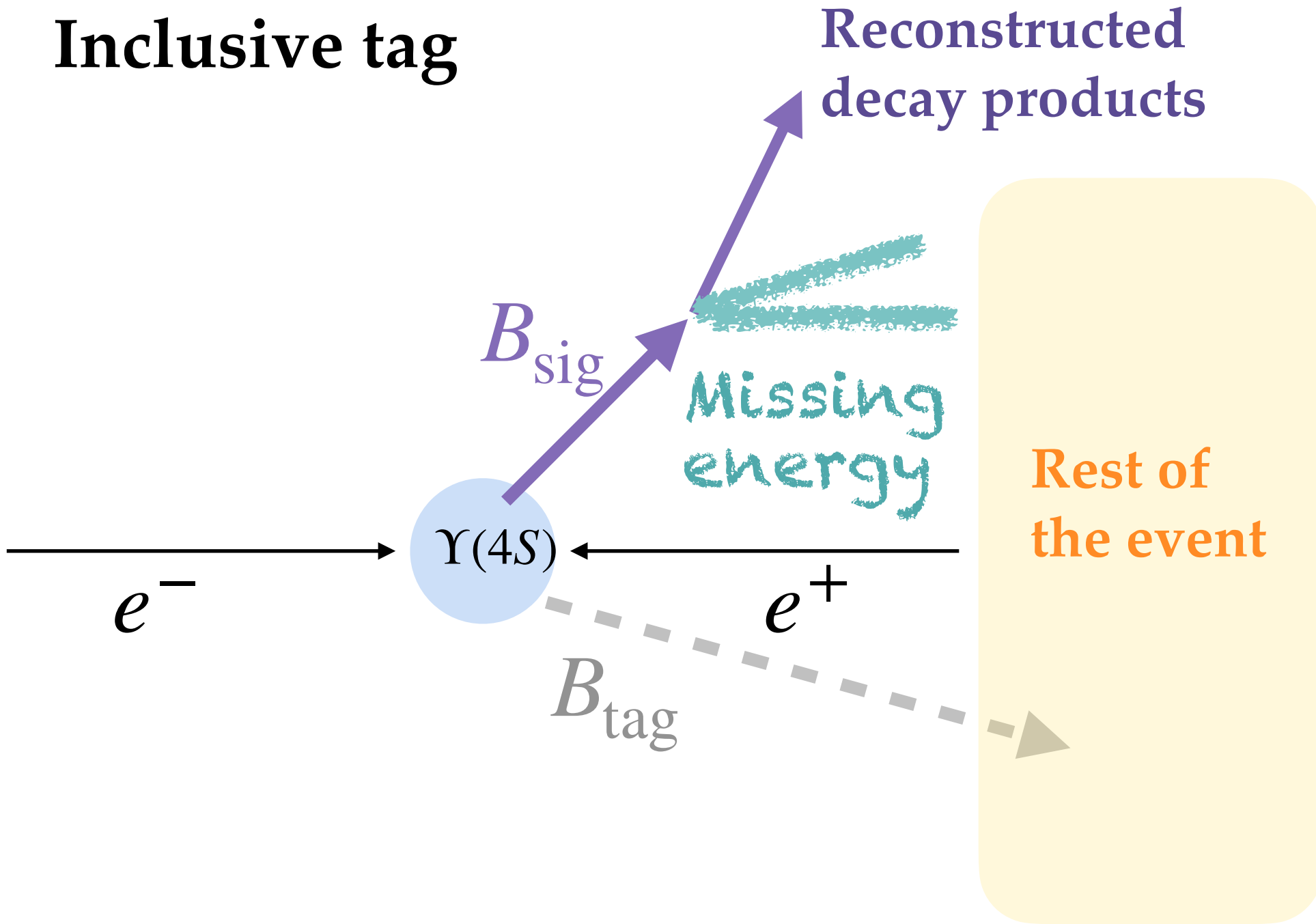
2-body decay: $B \rightarrow KX_{\text{inv}}$

Bump hunting in q^2 distribution

- The sensitivity for $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow KX_{\text{inv}})$ will be improved wrt the 3-body decay
- Shape analysis on the basic SM search or optimization of the selection (m_X dependent)
- **The HTA will gain importance due to the better resolution in q^2**

Several dark sector scenarios could be constrained: Higgs-mixing, ALP, QCD axion, axiflavor

Sensitive to low mass scale ($\sim$ GeV) new physics



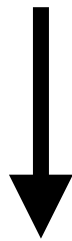
$$q_{\text{rec}}^2 = s/4 + M_K^2 - \sqrt{s}E_K^*$$

Resolution is ~ 0.1 GeV2

The tools

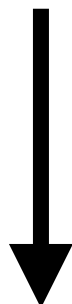
ROOT

RooFit



RooStats (binned and **unbinned**)

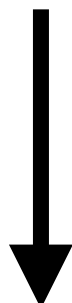
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Binned analysis tool (workspace,..)

HistFactory [CERN-OPEN-2012-016]

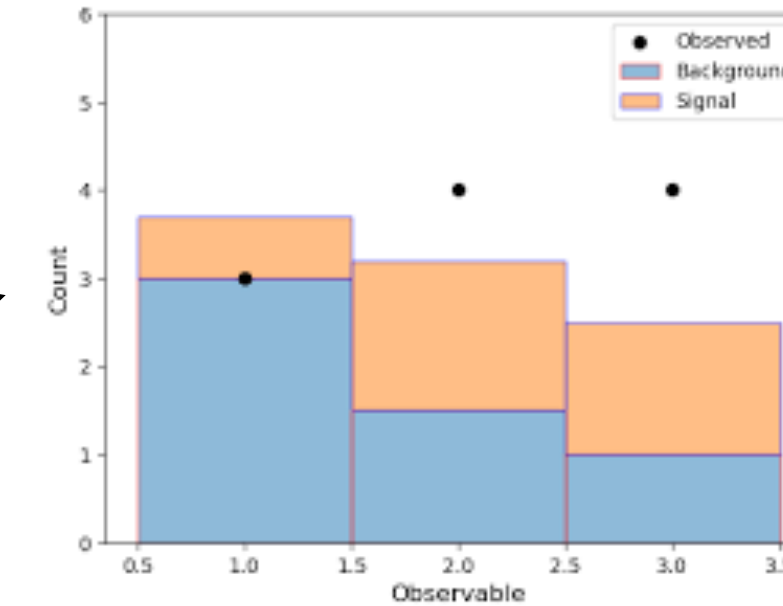
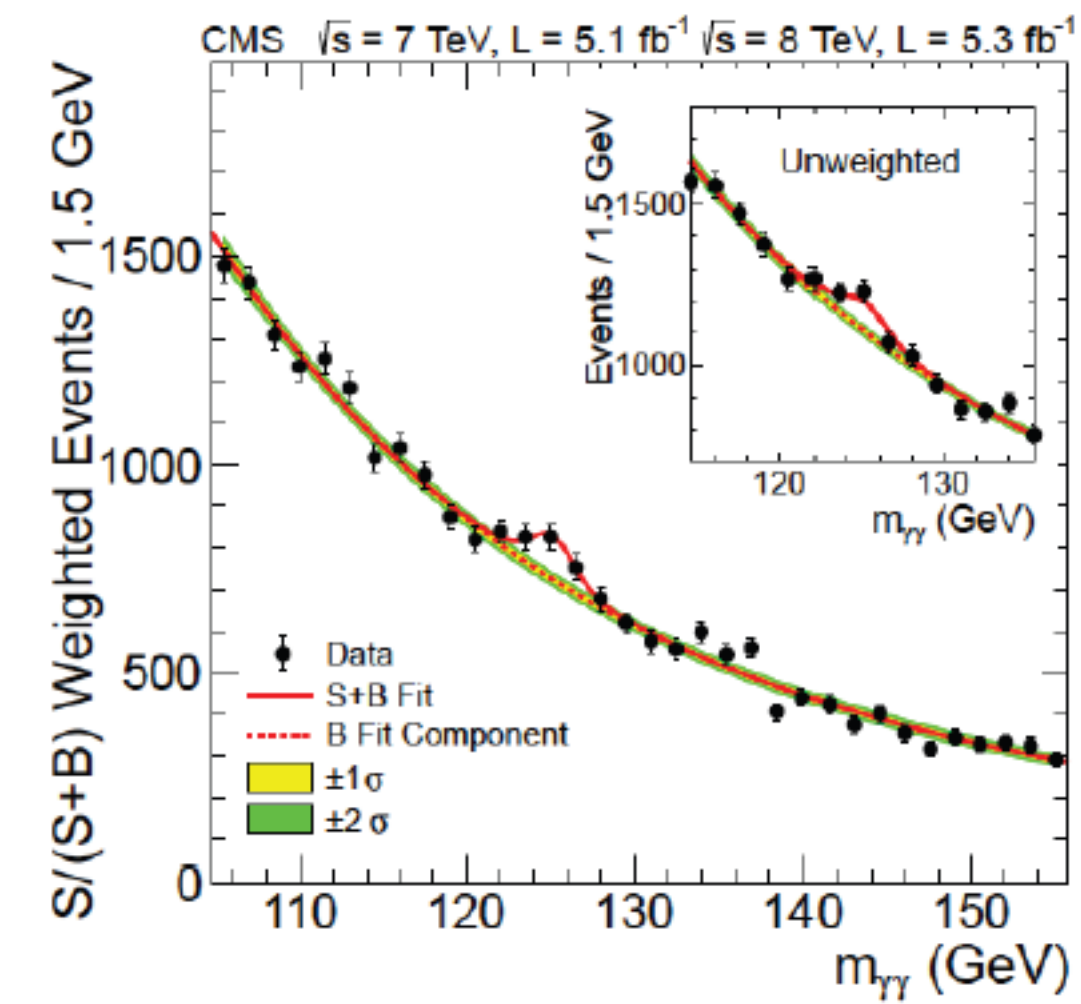
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In Python

PyHF

<https://scikit-hep.org/pyhf/>



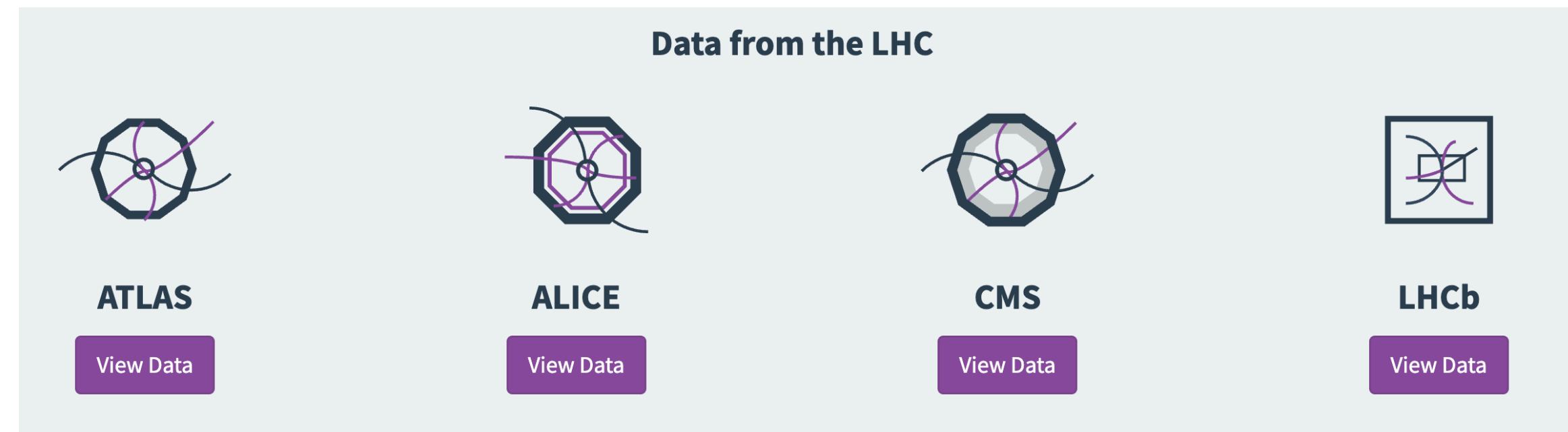
pyhf
differentiable
 $\mathcal{L}$ ikelihoods

Do we have an analogous for shape analysis?

Maybe Zfit? [zfit.loss.UnbinnedNLL]

Sharing results

HEPData: <https://www.hepdata.net/>



BelleII

<https://www.hepdata.net/search/?q=belle&page=1&collaboration=Belle-II>

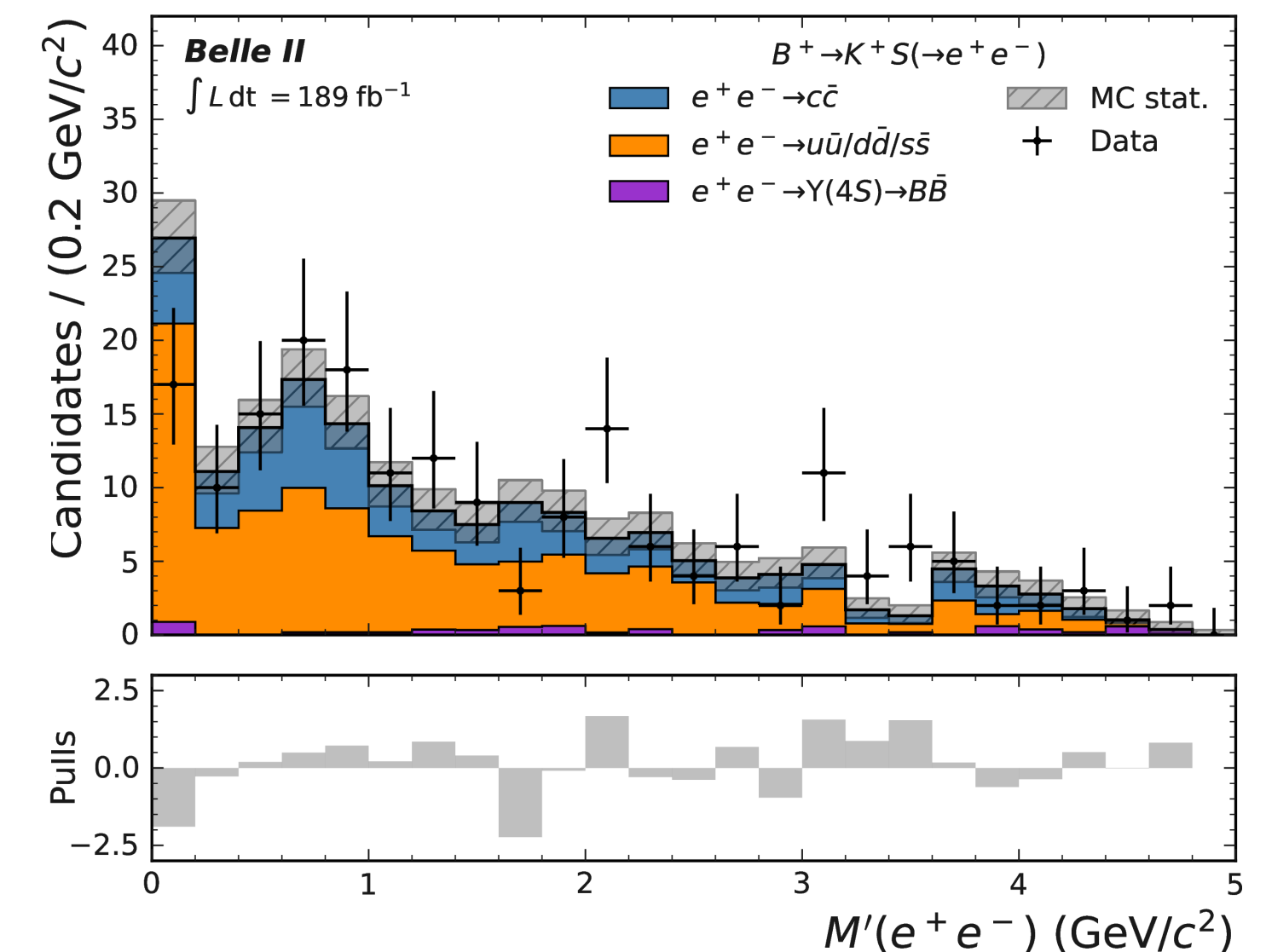
Example:

Version 2 Search for a long-lived spin-0 mediator in $b \rightarrow s$ transitions at the belle II experiment

The Belle-II collaboration Adachi, I. ; Adamczyk, K. ; Aggarwal, L. ; *et al.*

Phys.Rev.D 108 (2023) L111104, 2023.

Inspire Record 2665757 DOI 10.17182/hepdata.147283

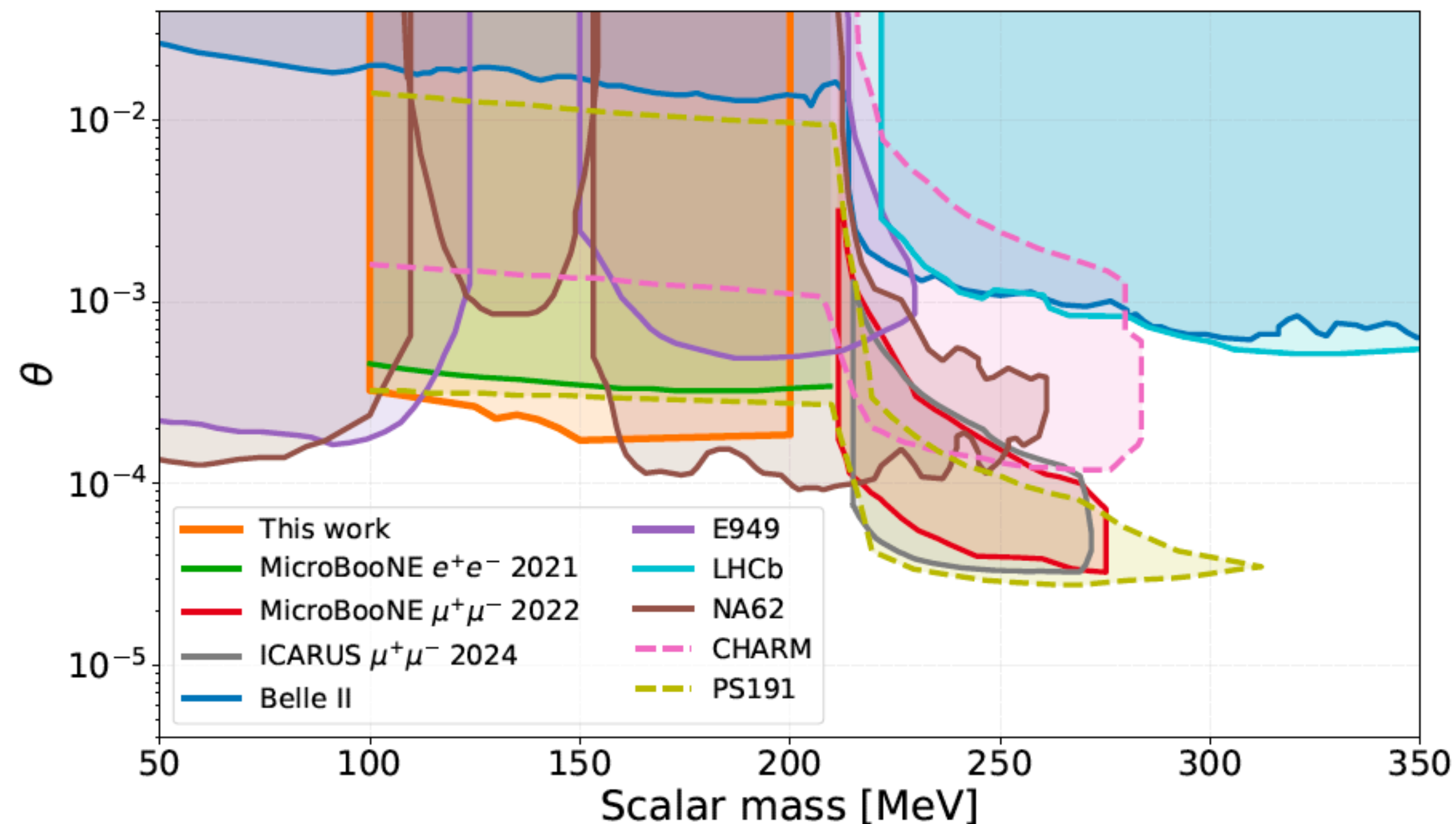


Combinations in dark sector?

We have many strong limits to several benchmarks of dark sector portals, we usually show **comparisons among different experiments and analyses** (for example Physics Beyond Colliders).

Can we do a combination of different experiments? With the share of the likelihood it could be possible

For example (learned about this result by MicroBooNE yesterday):



Many very different experiments
(neutrino, B-factories, hadron
colliders, Kaon factories....)

That's all....

**What do other
experiments use?**

Back-up

HistFactory [\[CERN-OPEN-2012-016\]](#)

$$\mathcal{P}(n_b|\mu) = \text{Pois}(n_{\text{tot}}|\mu S + B) \left[\prod_{b \in \text{bins}} \frac{\mu \nu_b^{\text{sig}} + \nu_b^{\text{bkg}}}{\mu S + B} \right] = \mathcal{N}_{\text{comb}} \prod_{b \in \text{bins}} \text{Pois}(n_b|\mu \nu_b^{\text{sig}} + \nu_b^{\text{bkg}})$$

i: bin index,
n_i: number of events in bin "i"

$$\prod_i \frac{(\mu s_i + b_i)^{n_i}}{n_i!} e^{-\mu s_i - b_i}$$

Counting, bins



$$k^{-1} \prod_i (\mu S \boxed{f_s(x_i)} + B \boxed{f_b(x_i)}) \cdot e^{-(\mu S + B)}$$

Binned



Unbinned

i: index of the event
k: total number of events
x: a discriminant variable

S, B, expected number of signal and background, they are treated as
in the counting experiment

They are not fixed ==> extended fit in the profiling

Unbinned analysis in RooStats

$$\mathbf{f}_{\text{tot}}(\mathcal{D}_{\text{sim}}, \mathcal{G}|\alpha) = \prod_{c \in \text{channels}} \left[\text{Pois}(n_c | \nu_c(\alpha)) \prod_{e=1}^{n_c} f_c(x_{ce}|\alpha) \right] \cdot \prod_{p \in \mathbb{S}} f_p(a_p|\alpha_p)$$

Kyle Cranmer
arXiv:1503.07622v1

Distribution of the
discriminant variable

Constraint terms
Information about
nuisance parameters

Global observable: value of the nuisance
parameter estimated with an auxiliary
measurement

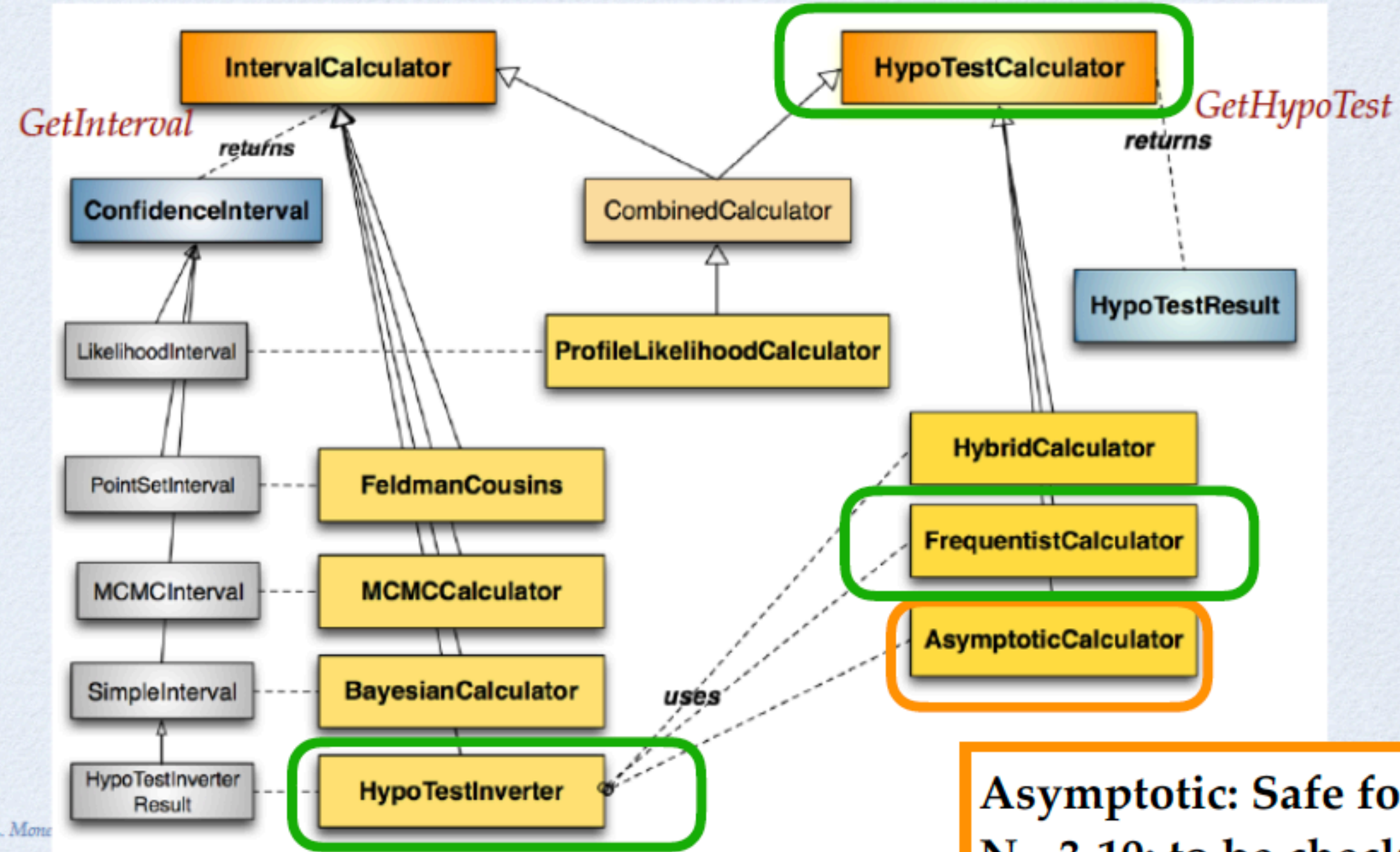
Pseudo-experiments are tossed for
several values of the global observable

$$\prod_{p \in \mathbb{S}} f_p(\overset{\text{Global}}{\text{observable}} \, a_p | \overset{\text{Nuisance}}{\text{parameter}} \, \alpha_p)$$

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RooStats Design

- C++ interfaces and classes mapping to real statistical concepts



Asymptotic: Safe for $N > \sim 10$
 $N \sim 3-10$: to be checked

From official ROOT training

FrequentistCalculator

- Generate toys using nuisance parameter at their conditional ML estimate ($\theta = \theta_\mu$) by fitting them to the observed data
- Treat constraint terms in the likelihood (e.g. systematic errors) as auxiliary measurements
 - introduce **global observables** which will be varied (tossed) for each pseudo-experiment
- $L = \text{Poisson}(n_{\text{obs}} | \mu + b) \text{Gaussian}(b_0 | b, \sigma_b)$
 - b_0 is a global observables, varied for each toys but it needs to be considered constant when fitting
 - n_{obs} is the observable which is part of the data set
 - μ is the parameter of interest (poi)
 - b is the nuisance parameter

Data means

- real data for observed upper limit
- pseudo data for expected upper limit

This is an example with gaussian bkg!

(and Gaussian is symmetric...)

Constraints for nuisance parameters

Gamma distribution $n_p^0 = \tau_p = (1/\sigma_p^{\text{rel}})^2$
 (obtained from the ON/OFF problem)

$$\rho(n) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{(n/\alpha)^N}{N!} \exp(-n/\alpha)$$

Used for bkg yield

PDF	Likelihood $\propto$	Prior π_0	Posterior π
$G(a_p \alpha_p, \sigma_p)$	$G(\alpha_p a_p, \sigma_p)$	$\pi_0(\alpha_p) \propto \text{const}$	$G(\alpha_p a_p, \sigma_p)$
$\text{Pois}(n_p \tau_p\beta_p)$	$P_\Gamma(\beta_p A = \tau_p; B = 1 + n_p)$	$\pi_0(\beta_p) \propto \text{const}$	$P_\Gamma(\beta_p A = \tau_p; B = 1 + n_p)$
$P_{\text{LN}}(n_p \beta_p, \sigma_p)$	$\beta_p \cdot P_{\text{LN}}(\beta_p n_p, \sigma_p)$	$\pi_0(\beta_p) \propto \text{const}$	$P_{\text{LN}}(\beta_p n_p, \sigma_p)$
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Used for normalization
 (multiplicative) factors:

Lognormal distribution

$$\rho(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \ln(\kappa)} \exp\left(-\frac{(\ln(\theta/\tilde{\theta}))^2}{2(\ln \kappa)^2}\right) \frac{1}{\theta}$$