

## Exploring GeV-scale Majorana neutrinos in lepton-number-violating b hadrons decays

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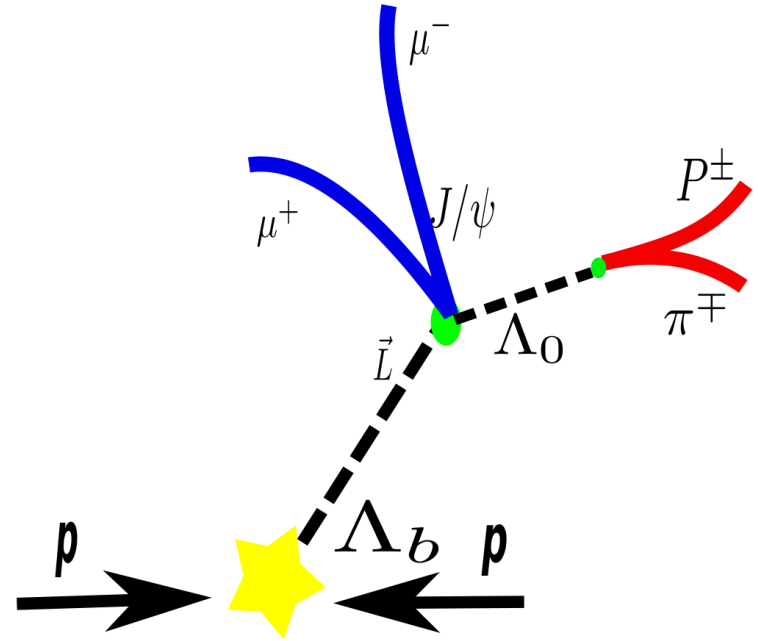
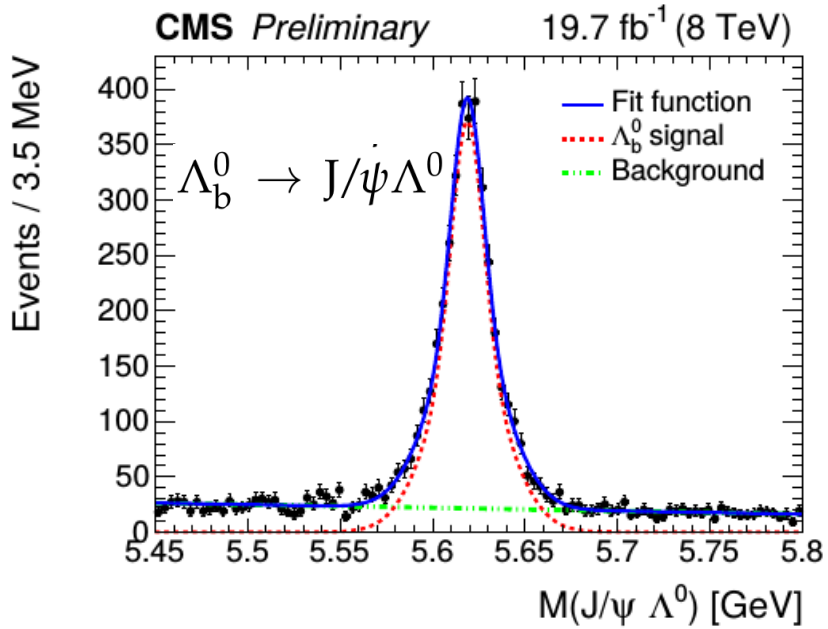
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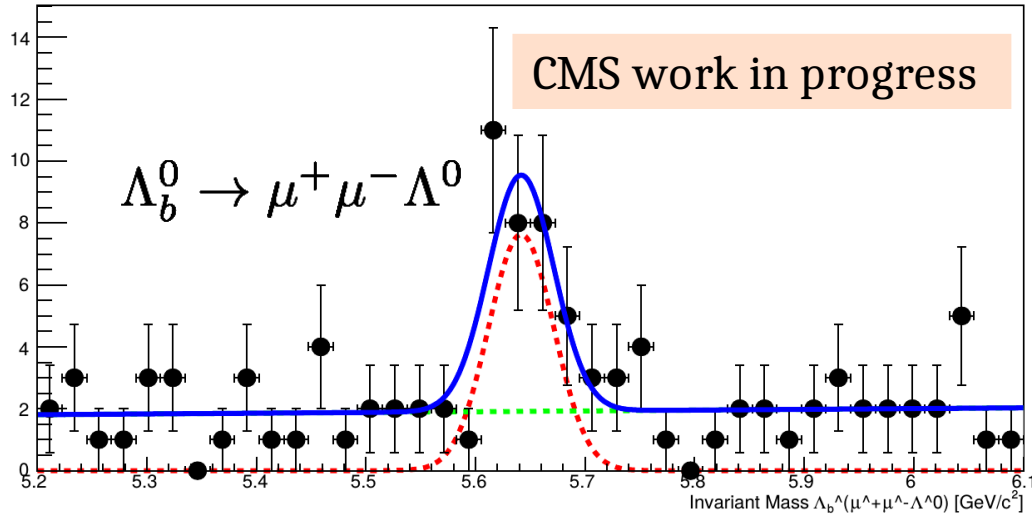
# Motivation

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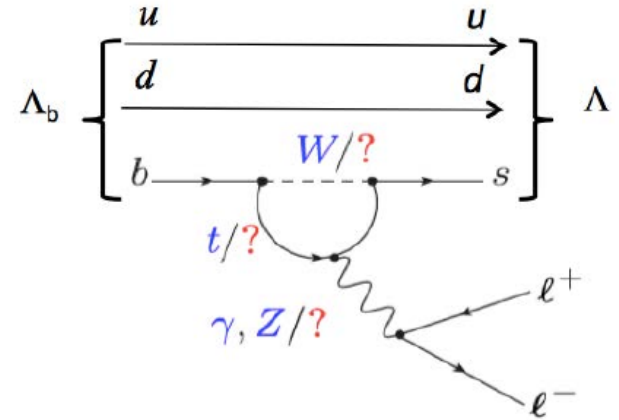
Lifetime analysis



# $\Lambda_b^0$ baryonic Flavor Changing Neutral Current (FCNC)



T. Gutsche et al., PRD87 (2013) 074031



Due to the lack of manpower we could not continue this analysis.

What else can I do?



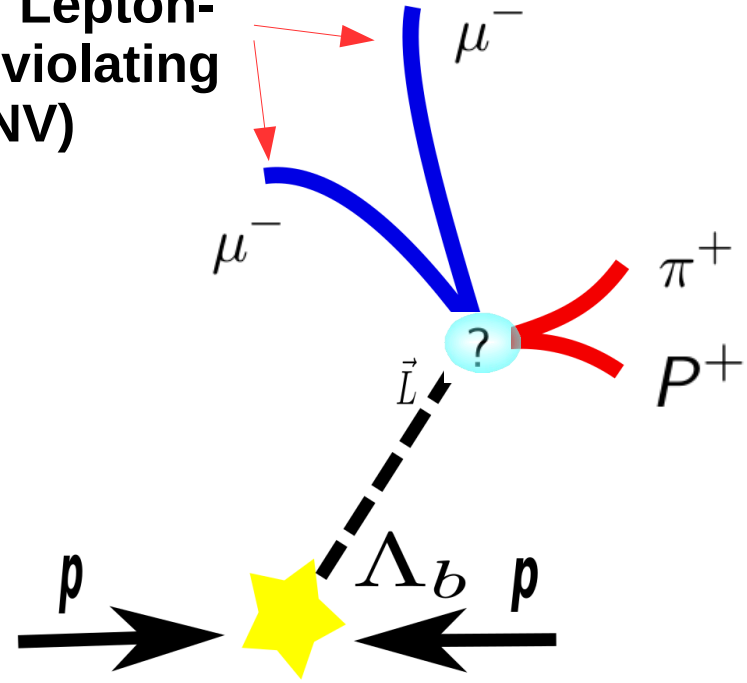
- Rare decays are suppressed in the SM and can happen at loop level only.
- Very sensitive to new physics effects.

What happens if the final hadrons are non-resonant too?



- Is it possible in Lambda system?
- Contact a theorist?
- Nestor knows about it

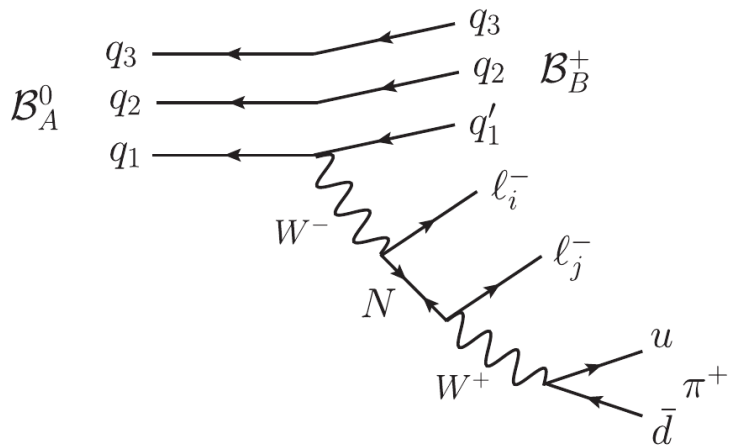
Answer: Lepton-number-violating (LNV)



# Theoretical and experimental setup

$$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-$$

$$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-$$



Feynman graphs for  $|\Delta L| = 2$  decays of  $B_A$  baryon mediated by a Majorana neutrino  $N$ : four-body

$B_A^0(q_1 q_2 q_3) \rightarrow B_B^+(q_1' q_2 q_3) \pi^+ l_i^- l_j^-$  channels.

- The smoking gun LNV signal is the neutrinoless double- $\beta$  ( $0\nu\beta\beta$ )
- Recent attention:  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^+ \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-$ ,  $B^- \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-$  and  $B_c^- \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-$
- LHCb has reported the upper limit  $\text{BR}(B^- \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-) < 1.5 \times 10^{-6}$
- The same quark level LNV transition that generates these four-body  $|\Delta L| = 2$  channels, can also produce  $|\Delta L| = 2$  decays in the  $B_s$  and  $\Lambda_b^0$
- Experimental search is within reach of sensitivity of the LHCb, CMS and Belle II

$$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-: m_N \in [0.25, 4.57] \text{ GeV},$$

$$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-: m_N \in [0.25, 3.23] \text{ GeV},$$

# Theoretical setup

## Branching fraction

$$\text{BR}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^+ \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-) = \text{BR}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^+ \mu^- N) \\ \times \Gamma(N \rightarrow \mu^- \pi^+) \tau_N / \hbar,$$

## Decay width

$$\Gamma(N \rightarrow \mu^- \pi^+) \\ = \frac{G_F^2}{16\pi} |V_{ud}^{\text{CKM}}|^2 |V_{\mu N}|^2 f_\pi^2 m_N \sqrt{\lambda(m_N^2, m_\mu^2, m_\pi^2)} \\ \times \left[ \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_N^2}\right)^2 - \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_N^2} \left(1 + \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_N^2}\right) \right],$$

## Amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^+ \mu^- N) \\ = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{Qb}^{\text{CKM}} V_{\mu N} \langle \mathcal{B}(p_B) | \bar{Q} \gamma_\alpha (1 - \gamma_5) b | \Lambda_b(P) \rangle \\ \times [\bar{u}(p_\mu) \gamma^\alpha (1 - \gamma_5) v(p_N)],$$

## The matrix element of the vector and axial-vector currents

$$\langle \mathcal{B}(p_B) | \bar{Q} \gamma_\alpha b | \Lambda_b(P) \rangle = \bar{u}_B(p_B) \left[ \gamma_\alpha f_1^V(t) + i \sigma_{\alpha\beta} q^\beta \frac{f_2^V(t)}{m_{\Lambda_b}} + q_\alpha \frac{f_3^V(t)}{m_{\Lambda_b}} \right] u_{\Lambda_b}(P), \\ \langle \mathcal{B}(p_B) | \bar{Q} \gamma_\alpha \gamma_5 b | \Lambda_b(P) \rangle = \bar{u}_B(p_B) \left[ \gamma_\alpha f_1^A(t) + i \sigma_{\alpha\beta} q^\beta \frac{f_2^A(t)}{m_{\Lambda_b}} + q_\alpha \frac{f_3^A(t)}{m_{\Lambda_b}} \right] \gamma_5 u_{\Lambda_b}(P),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{BR}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^+ \mu^- N) &= \frac{G_F^2 \tau_{\Lambda_b}}{512 \pi^3 m_{\Lambda_b}^3 \hbar} |V_{Qb}^{\text{CKM}}|^2 |V_{\mu N}|^2 \int_{(m_\mu + m_N)^2}^{\Delta_-^2} dt \sqrt{\lambda(m_\mu^2, m_N^2, t) \lambda(m_{\Lambda_b}^2, m_{\mathcal{B}}^2, t)} \\
&\times \left\{ \frac{16}{3t^3} [f_1^V(t)]^2 \alpha_1^V(t) + \frac{8}{3m_{\Lambda_b}^2 t^2} [f_2^V(t)]^2 \alpha_2^V(t) + \frac{8}{3m_{\Lambda_b}^2 t} [f_3^V(t)]^2 \alpha_3^V(t) + \frac{32}{m_{\Lambda_b} t^2} [f_1^V(t) f_2^V(t) \alpha_{12}^V(t) \right. \\
&+ f_1^V(t) f_3^V(t) \alpha_{13}^V(t)] + \frac{16}{3t^3} [f_1^A(t)]^2 \alpha_1^A(t) + \frac{8}{3m_{\Lambda_b}^2 t^2} [f_2^A(t)]^2 \alpha_2^A(t) + \frac{8}{3m_{\Lambda_b}^2 t} [f_3^A(t)]^2 \alpha_3^A(t) \\
&\left. + \frac{32}{m_{\Lambda_b} t^2} [f_1^A(t) f_2^A(t) \alpha_{12}^A(t) + f_1^A(t) f_3^A(t) \alpha_{13}^A(t)] \right\},
\end{aligned}$$

we will use the theoretical predictions obtained by Lattice QCD on the form factors  $(f_1^V, f_2^V, f_3^V)$  and  $(f_1^A, f_2^A, f_3^A)$

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_1^{V/A}(t) &= m_\mu^2 [t(\Sigma_-^2 - 2m_N^2 \Sigma_+) - 2t^2(m_N^2 \mp m_{\Lambda_b} m_{\mathcal{B}} + \Delta_\mp^2) + 4m_N^2 \Sigma_-^2 + t^3] \\
&+ (t - m_N^2) [m_N^2 (t \Sigma_+ - 2\Sigma_- + t^2) - t(\Delta_\mp^2 - t)(\Sigma_\pm^2 + 2t)],
\end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha_2^{V/A}(t) = [t(m_\mu^2 + m_N^2) + (m_\mu^2 - m_N^2)^2 - 2t^2] [t(\Sigma_\pm^2 \pm 4m_{\Lambda_b} m_{\mathcal{B}}) - 2(\Sigma_-^2 + t^2)],$$

$$\alpha_3^{V/A}(t) = \Delta_\pm^2 - t^2 [m_\mu^2 (t + 2m_N^2 - m_\mu^2) + m_N^2 (t - m_N^2)],$$

with  $\Delta_\pm = m_{\Lambda_b} \pm m_{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $\Sigma_\pm = m_{\Lambda_b}^2 \pm m_{\mathcal{B}}^2$

$$\alpha_{12}^{V/A}(t) = \Delta_\pm (\Delta_\mp - t) [m_\mu^2 (t - 2m_N^2) + m_\mu^4 + m_N^4 + m_N^2 t - 2t^2],$$

$$\alpha_{13}^{V/A}(t) = \Delta_\mp (\Delta_\pm - t) [(m_\mu^2 - m_N^2)^2 - t(m_\mu^2 + m_N^2)],$$



# Experimental setup

$$N_{\text{exp}}^{\text{CMS}} = \sigma(pp \rightarrow \Lambda_b^0 X) \text{BR}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Delta L = 2) \times \epsilon_D^{\text{CMS}}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Delta L = 2) P_N^{\text{CMS}} \mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{\text{CMS}}$$

- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{\text{CMS}}$  The integrated luminosity
- $\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Lambda_b X)$  The production cross section
- $\epsilon_D^{\text{CMS}}$  CMS experiment efficiency
- $P_N^{\text{CMS}}$  The acceptance factor at the CMS
- $\text{BR}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow |\Delta L| = 2)$  Respective branching ratio

$$\epsilon_D^{\text{CMS}}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-) P_N^{\text{CMS}} \simeq 0.073 \pm 0.015$$

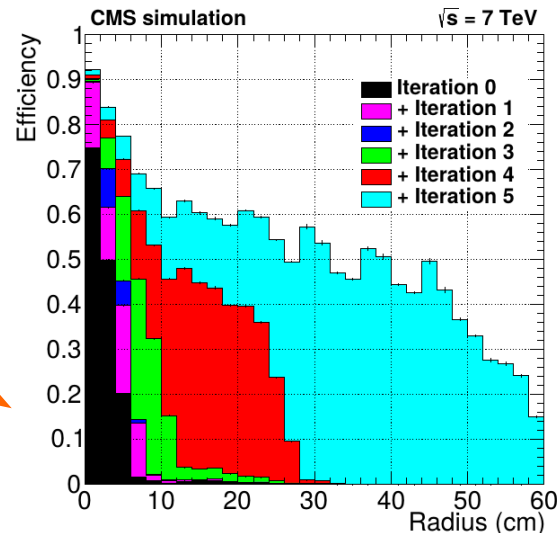
$$\epsilon_D^{\text{CMS}}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-) P_N^{\text{CMS}} \simeq 0.059 \pm 0.013$$

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$$\epsilon_D^{\text{CMS}}(p\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-) = (0.73 \pm 0.07)\%$$

$$\epsilon_D^{\text{CMS}}(\Lambda_c^+\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-) = (0.59 \pm 0.06)\%$$

J. Instrum. 9, P10009 (2014).



$0.55 \leq P_N \leq 1$  for  $1 \text{ ps} \leq \tau_N \leq 1000 \text{ ps}$

A maximum variation of about 18%

# Experimental setup

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$$\sigma(\Lambda_b) \times \text{BR}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda) = 1.16 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.12 \text{ nb}$$

PDG

$$\text{BR}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda) \times f(b \rightarrow \Lambda_b) = (5.8 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-5}$$

I. Heredia-De La Cruz (D0 Collaboration), Proceedings of the DPF-2011 Conference, Providence, RI, 2011

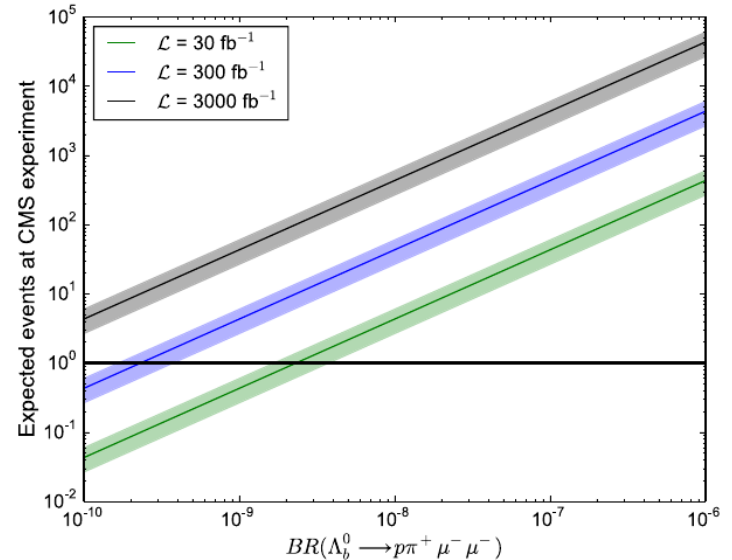
$$f(b \rightarrow \text{baryons}) \simeq f(b \rightarrow \Lambda_b) (1 + 2f(b \rightarrow B_s^0) / f(b \rightarrow B^0))$$

Heavy Flavor Averaging Group Collaboration Averages of b-hadron, c-hadron, and  $\tau$ -lepton properties as of summer 2016, arXiv:1612.07233.

$$f(b \rightarrow \text{baryons}) = 0.088 \pm 0.012$$

$$f(b \rightarrow B_s^0) = 0.103 \pm 0.005$$

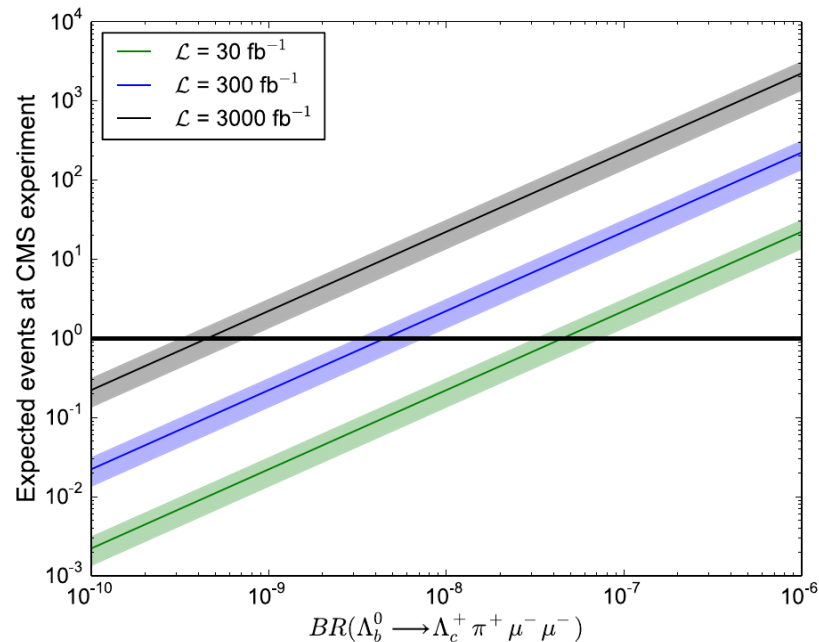
$$f(b \rightarrow B^0) = 0.404 \pm 0.006$$



# Number of expected events at CMS

TABLE II. Number of expected events at the CMS for some selected values of the branching ratio of  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-$  and  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-$ .

Mode	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{\text{CMS}}$ ( $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )	BR	Number of events
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-$	30	$10^{-6}$	$431 \pm 164$
		$10^{-7}$	$43 \pm 16$
		$10^{-8}$	$4 \pm 2$
	300	$10^{-8}$	$43 \pm 16$
		$10^{-9}$	$4 \pm 2$
		$10^{-6}$	$27 \pm 10$
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-$	30	$10^{-6}$	$27 \pm 10$
		$10^{-7}$	$3 \pm 1$
		$10^{-8}$	$3 \pm 1$
	300	$10^{-7}$	$27 \pm 10$
		$10^{-8}$	$3 \pm 1$
		$10^{-6}$	$27 \pm 10$

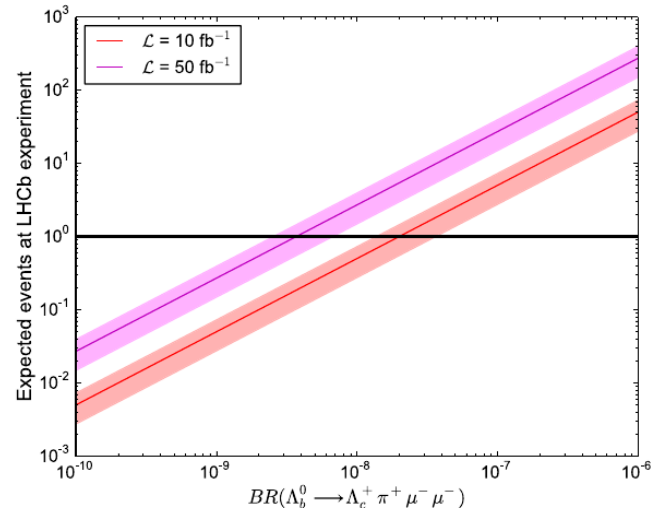
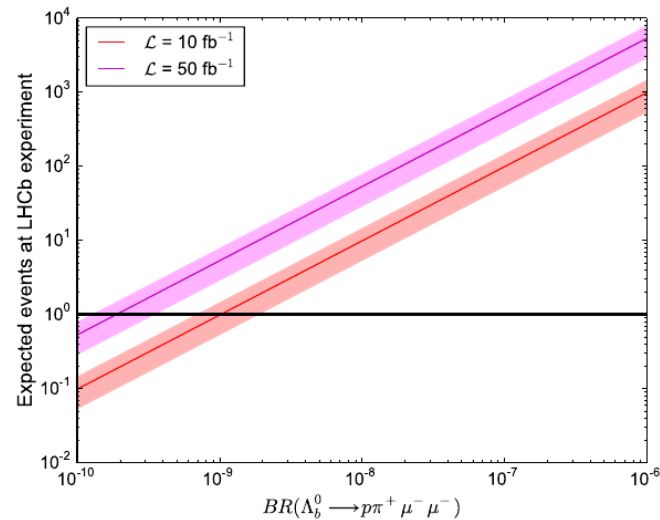


# Number of expected events at LHCb

TABLE I. Number of expected events at the LHCb for some selected values of the branching ratio of  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-$  and  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-$ .

Mode	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{\text{LHCb}}$ ( $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )	BR	Number of events
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-$	10	$10^{-6}$	$981 \pm 441$
		$10^{-7}$	$98 \pm 44$
		$10^{-8}$	$10 \pm 4$
	50	$10^{-7}$	$530 \pm 238$
		$10^{-8}$	$53 \pm 24$
		$10^{-9}$	$5 \pm 2$
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+\pi^+\mu^-\mu^-$	10	$10^{-6}$	$50 \pm 23$
		$10^{-7}$	$5 \pm 2$
		$10^{-8}$	$3 \pm 1$
	50	$10^{-6}$	$272 \pm 122$
		$10^{-7}$	$27 \pm 12$
		$10^{-8}$	$3 \pm 1$

We contacted a colleague from the LHCb collaboration

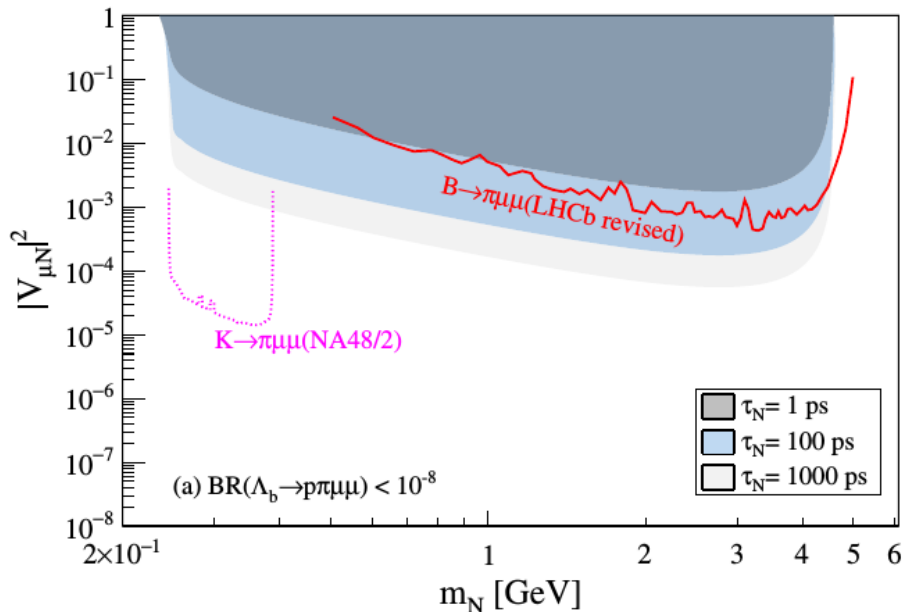
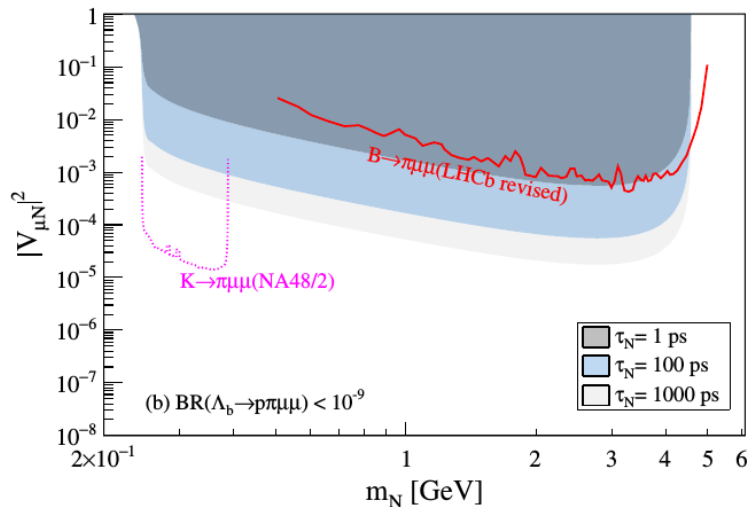


# Overview of some results

$$\overline{\text{BR}}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^+ \mu^- N) = \text{BR}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^+ \mu^- N) / |V_{\mu N}|^2$$

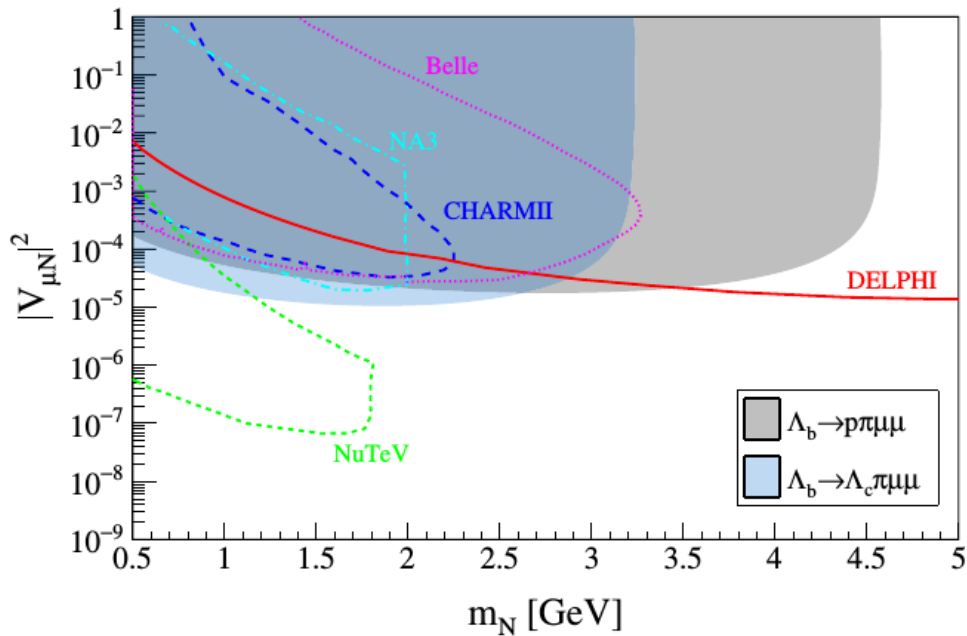
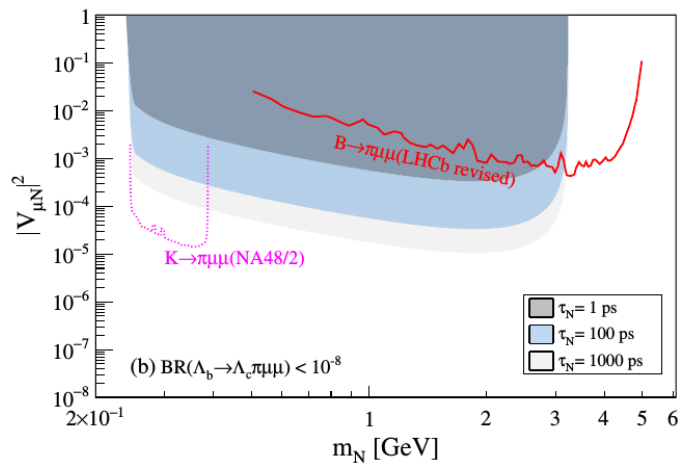
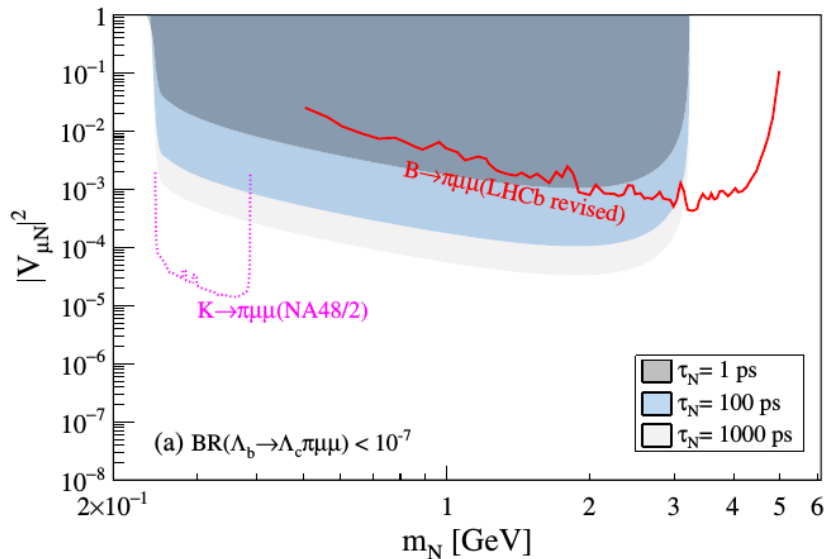
$$\bar{\Gamma}(N \rightarrow \mu^- \pi^+) = \Gamma(N \rightarrow \mu^- \pi^+) / |V_{\mu N}|^2$$

$$|V_{\mu N}|^2 = \left[ \frac{\hbar \text{BR}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^+ \pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-)}{\overline{\text{BR}}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^+ \mu^- N) \times \bar{\Gamma}(N \rightarrow \mu^- \pi^+) \tau_N} \right]^{1/2}$$

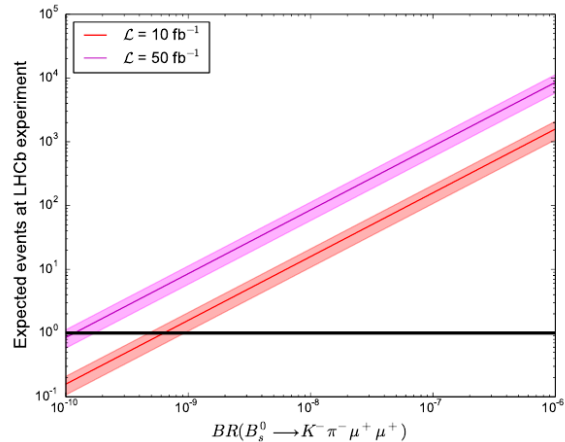
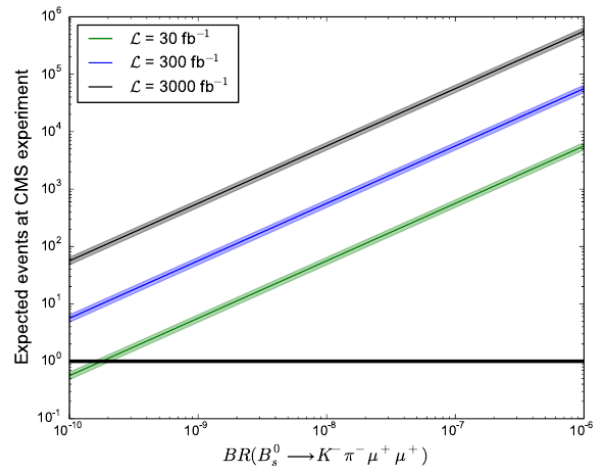
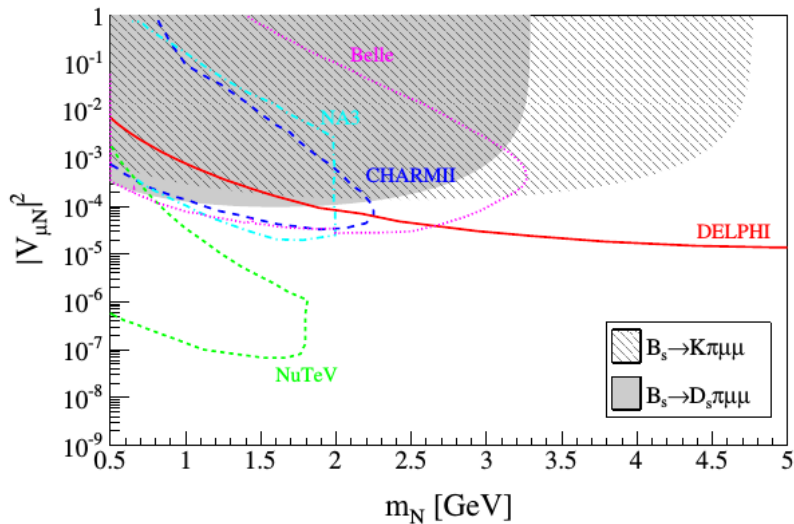
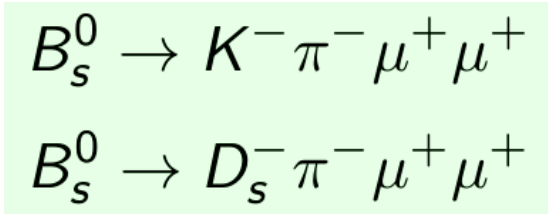


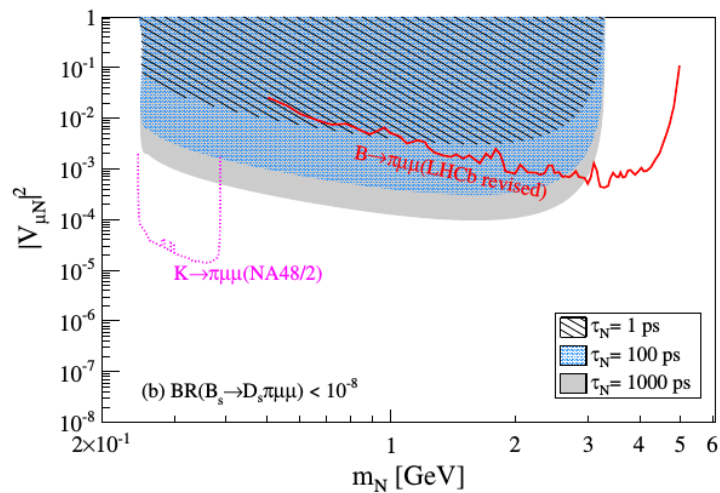
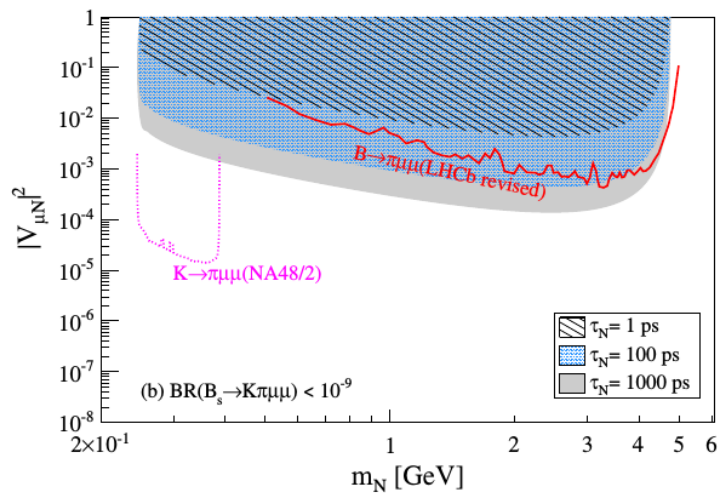
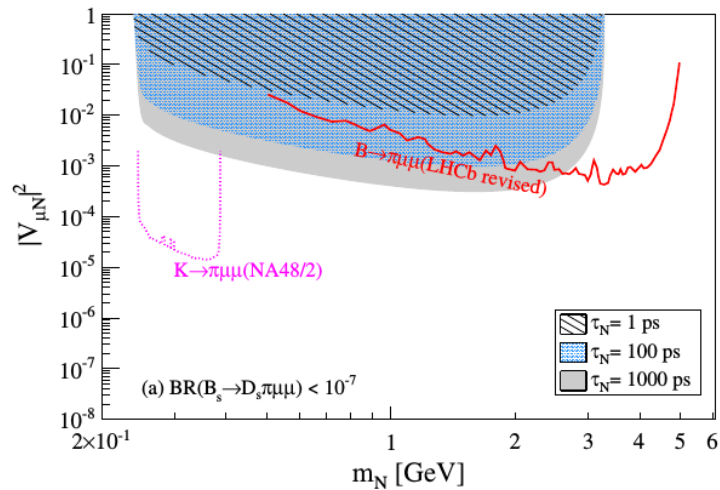
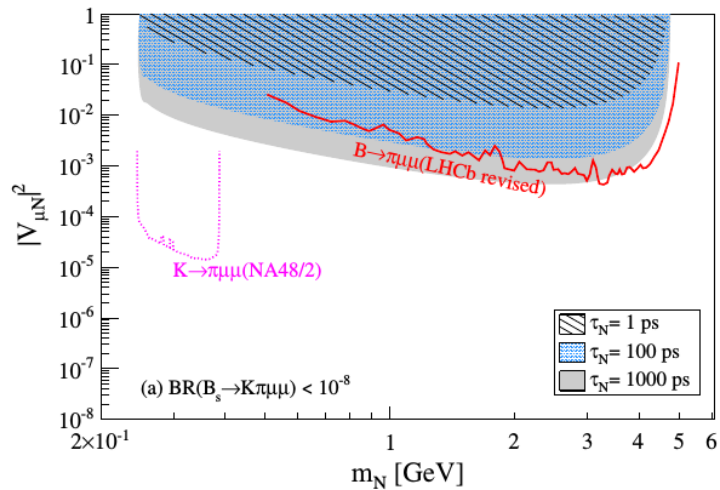
We show the exclusion regions on  $|V_{\mu N}|^2$  as a function of  $m_N$  obtained by taking an expected sensitivity in the branching fractions of the order  $\text{BR}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow p\pi^+ \mu^- \mu^-) < 10^{-8}$  and  $< 10^{-9}$ , respectively.

# Overview of some results



# Lepton number violation in $B_s$ meson decays induced by an on-shell Majorana neutrino







# Summary

- We studied Lepton-number-violation in b hadrons decays induced by an on-shell Majorana neutrino
- We collaborated with theorists and experimentalists
- People from LHCb and CMS were involved
- I would like to repeat this experience with colleagues from the RedFAE

