



# Mixing and indirect CPV in charm decays at LHCb

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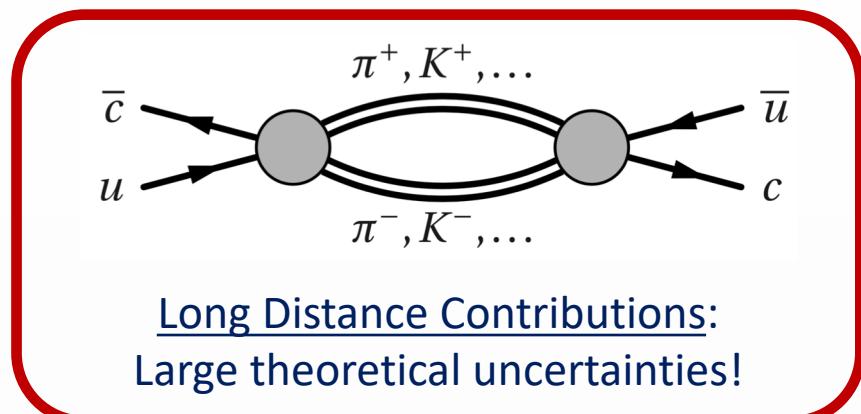
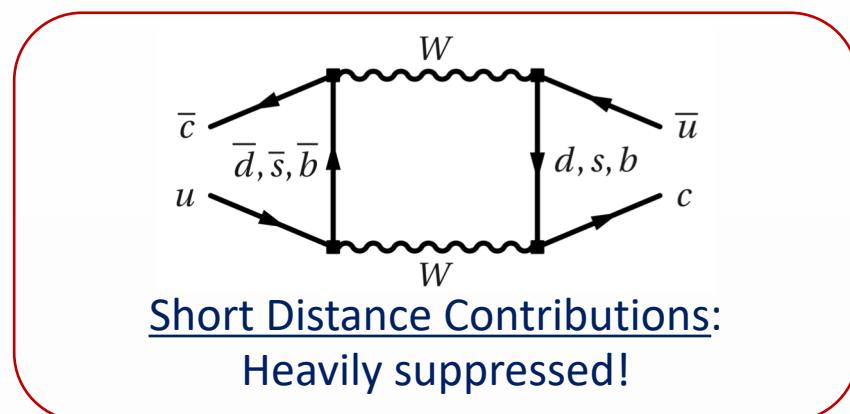


# CP-violation in the charm sector

- The charm sector encompasses the only up-type quark decays of neutral mesons in which CP-violation (CPV) can be probed.
- CPV in SM is predicted to be small ( $\sim 10^{-3} - 10^{-4}$ ).
  - Room for new physics enhancements.
- These predictions are dominated by long distance contributions.
  - Experimental measurements are crucial to improve theoretical predictions.

	$d$	$s$	$b$
$\bar{d}$	-	$K^0$	$B_0$
$\bar{s}$	$\bar{K}^0$	-	$B_s^0$
$\bar{b}$	$\bar{B}^0$	$\bar{B}_s^0$	-

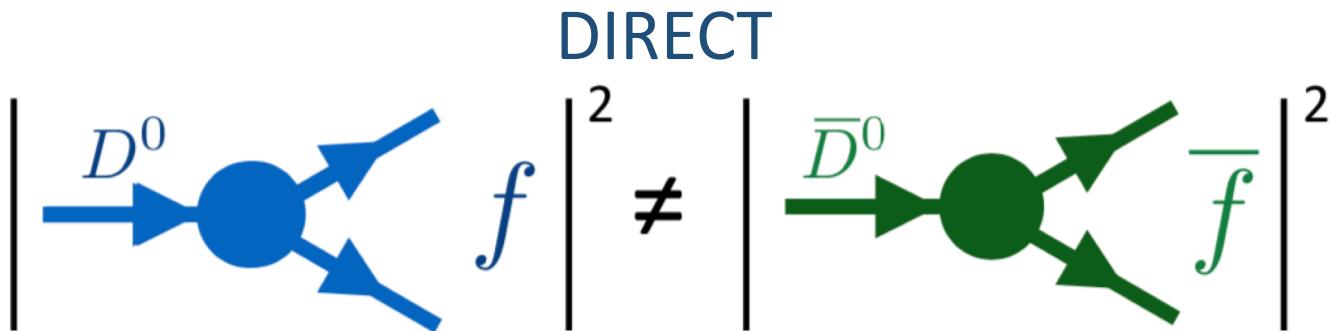
	$u$	$c$	$t$
$\bar{u}$	-	$D^0$	-
$\bar{c}$	$\bar{D}^0$	-	-
$\bar{t}$	-	-	-



- Charm data samples are huge:  $\sim$  a few billion  $D^0$  decays to be analysed at LHCb with Run 1 + Run 2 data.

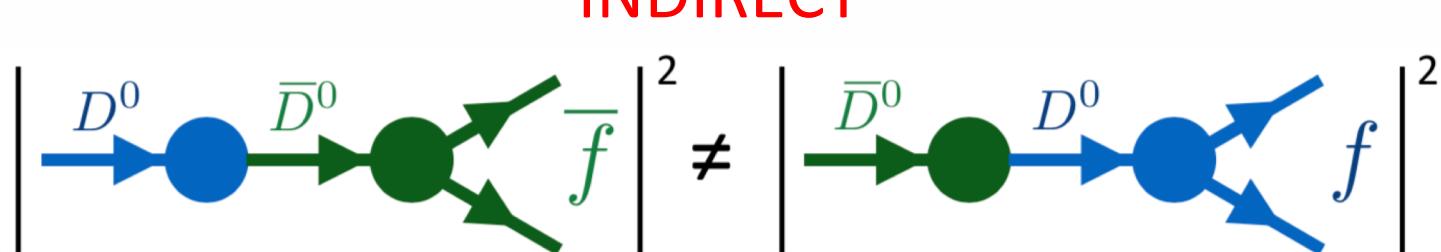
# CP-violation in the charm sector

Decay  
 $|A_f| \neq |\bar{A}_{\bar{f}}|$

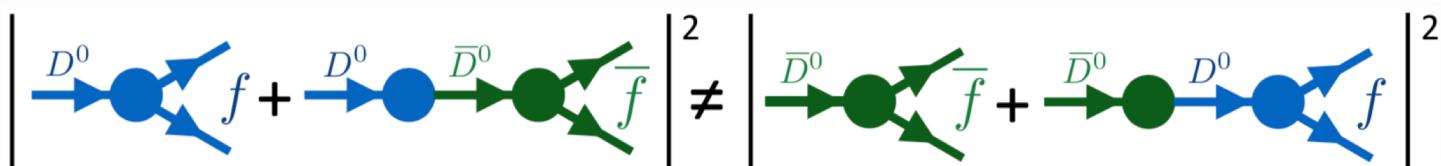


CPV in the decay  
observed at  $5.3\sigma$   
by the LHCb  
collaboration in  
March 2019!  
[PhysRevLett.122.211803]

Mixing  
 $|q| \neq |p|$



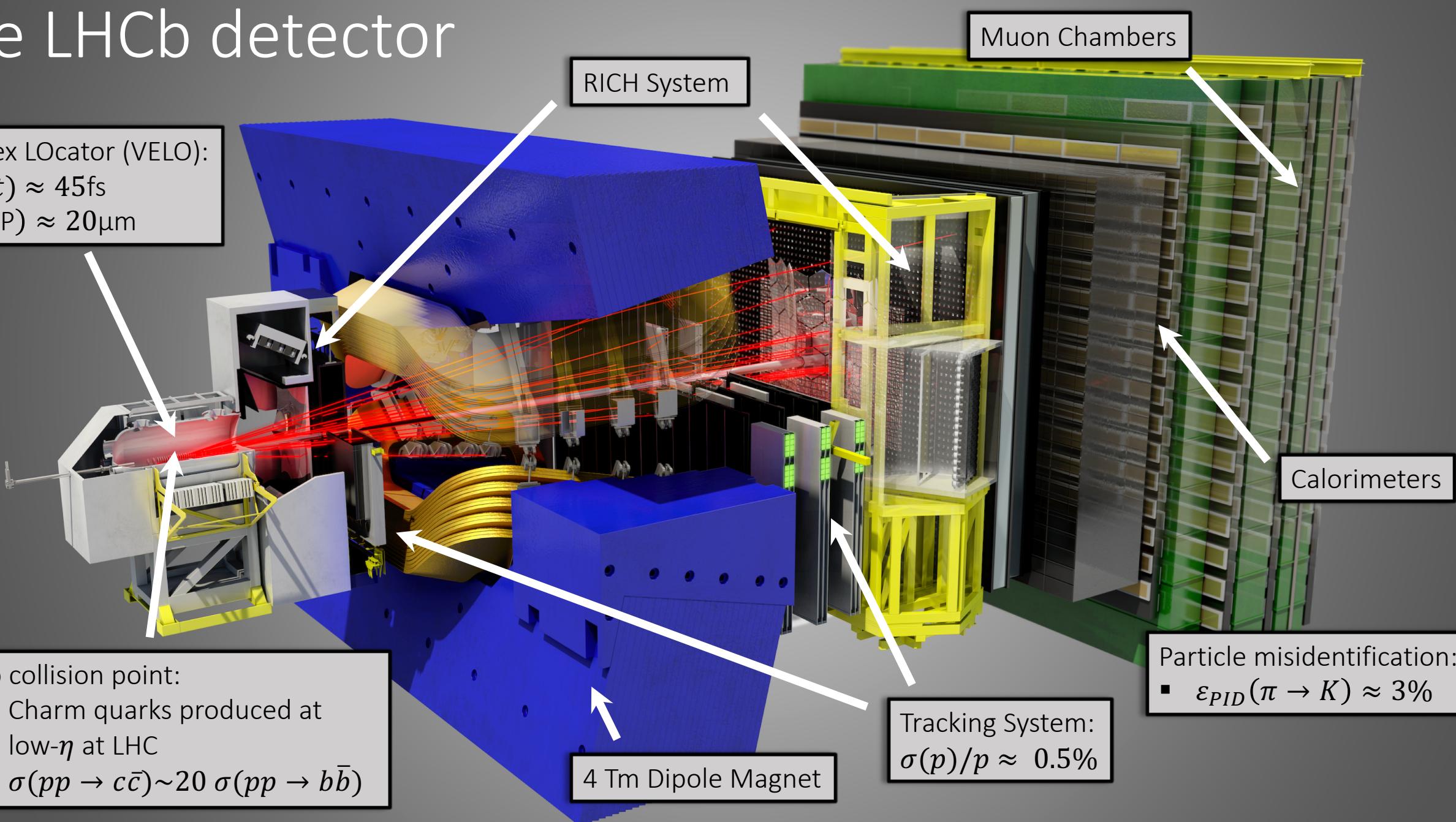
Interference  
mixing-decay  
 $\phi_{\lambda_f} = \arg\left(\frac{q\bar{A}_f}{pA_f}\right) \neq 0$



THIS TALK!

Still no  
evidence of  
CPV

# The LHCb detector

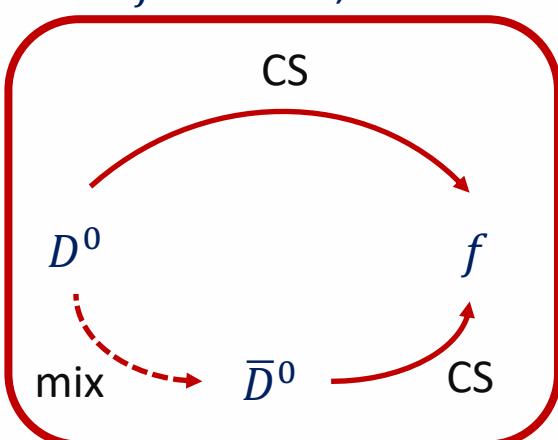


# Search for time-dependent CPV in $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-$ and $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ decays

[arXiv:2105.09889](https://arxiv.org/abs/2105.09889)

# Search for time-dependent CPV in $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-$ and $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ decays

- Search for indirect CPV using the slope of the time-dependent  $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$  asymmetry  $\Delta Y_f \approx -A_\Gamma$ :



$$A_{\text{raw}}(f, t) = \frac{N(D^0 \rightarrow f, t) - N(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow f, t)}{N(D^0 \rightarrow f, t) + N(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow f, t)}$$

$$= A_{CP}^{\text{decay}}(f) + \Delta Y_f \frac{t}{\tau_{D^0}} + \underbrace{A_D^{\text{flav-id}}(f, t) + A_P(f, t)}_{\text{Time-dependent nuisance asymmetries which need to be carefully dealt with (biggest challenge of the analysis!)}}$$

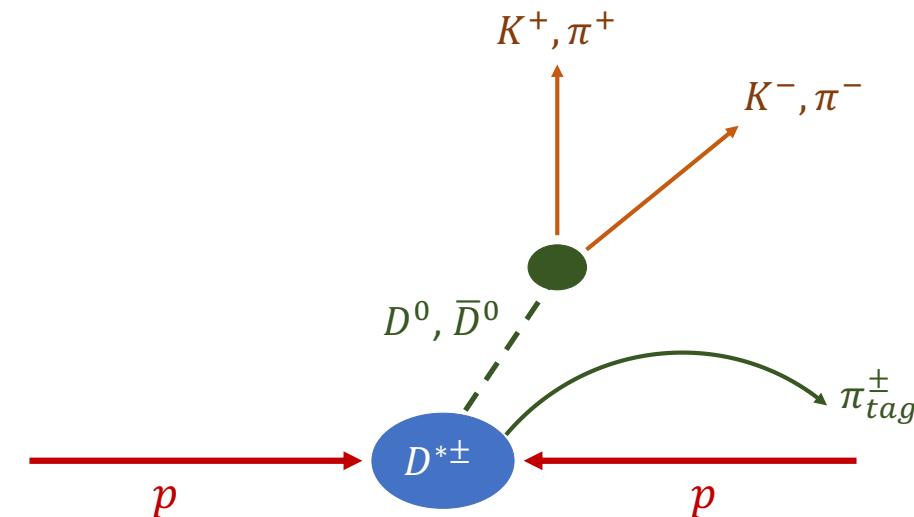
$$\Delta Y_f \approx x\phi_{\lambda_f} - y\left(\left|\frac{q}{p}\right| - 1\right) + yA_{CP}^{\text{decay}}(f)$$

CPV in the mixing-decay interference
CPV in the mixing
CPV in the decay ( $\leq 1 \times 10^{-5}$ )

- If  $\Delta Y_f \neq 0 \rightarrow$  CP violation in charm decays!
- SM expectation:  $\mathcal{O}(2 \times 10^{-5})$  [Kagan, Silvestrini \(2020\)](#), [Li, Umeeda, Xu, Yu \(2020\)](#)
- Current best experimental precision:  $\sim 2 \times 10^{-4}$  [HFLAV](#)

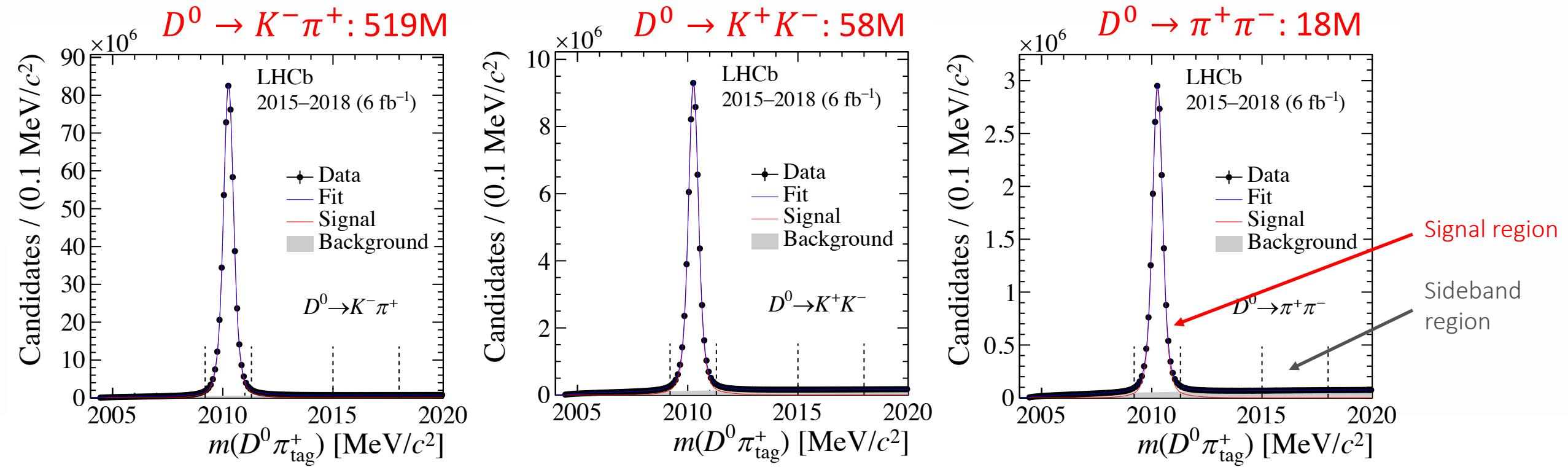
# Measurement of $\Delta Y_f$ : Analysis strategy

- Analysis performed using the full Run 2 data (2015-2018,  $6\text{fb}^{-1}$ ).
- $D^0 \rightarrow f$  candidates obtained from prompt  $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi_{tag}^\pm$  candidates. The charge of  $\pi_{tag}^\pm$  tags the flavour of the  $D^0$  meson.
- Combinatorial background present in the  $m(D^0 \pi_{tag}^\pm)$  distribution removed with a sideband subtraction procedure.
- Time-dependent nuisance asymmetries removed by equalising the kinematics of  $D^0$  and  $\bar{D}^0$  candidates.
- Significant background contribution from  $D^{*+}$  candidates coming from  $B$ -mesons (called *secondary decays*): treated by studying and then subtracting their corresponding asymmetry.
- The analogue of  $\Delta Y_f$  for  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$  decays is known to be  $\leq 0.3 \times 10^{-4}$  at 90% CL (from experimental results) and is used to cross-check the analysis method (benefiting from huge  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$  yields!)



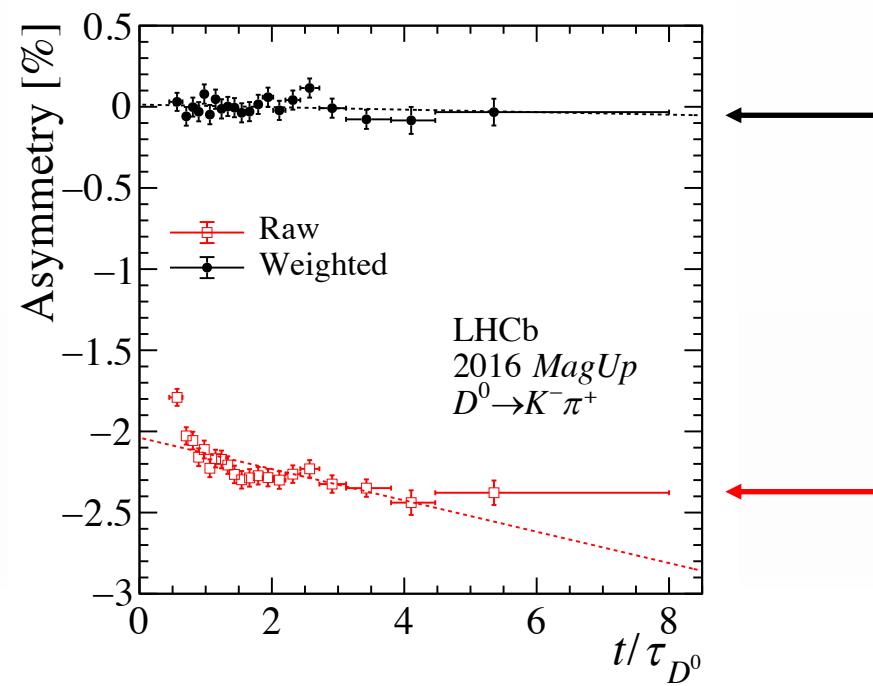
# Removal of the $m(D^0\pi_{tag}^\pm)$ background

- The small combinatorial background present in the  $m(D^0\pi_{tag}^\pm)$  distribution comes mainly from the association of a  $D^0$  with a random  $\pi^\pm$  from the  $pp$  interactions.
- This background source is removed with a sideband subtraction procedure by fitting in each bin of  $D^0$  decay time the background and the signal of the  $m(D^0\pi_{tag}^\pm)$  distribution.



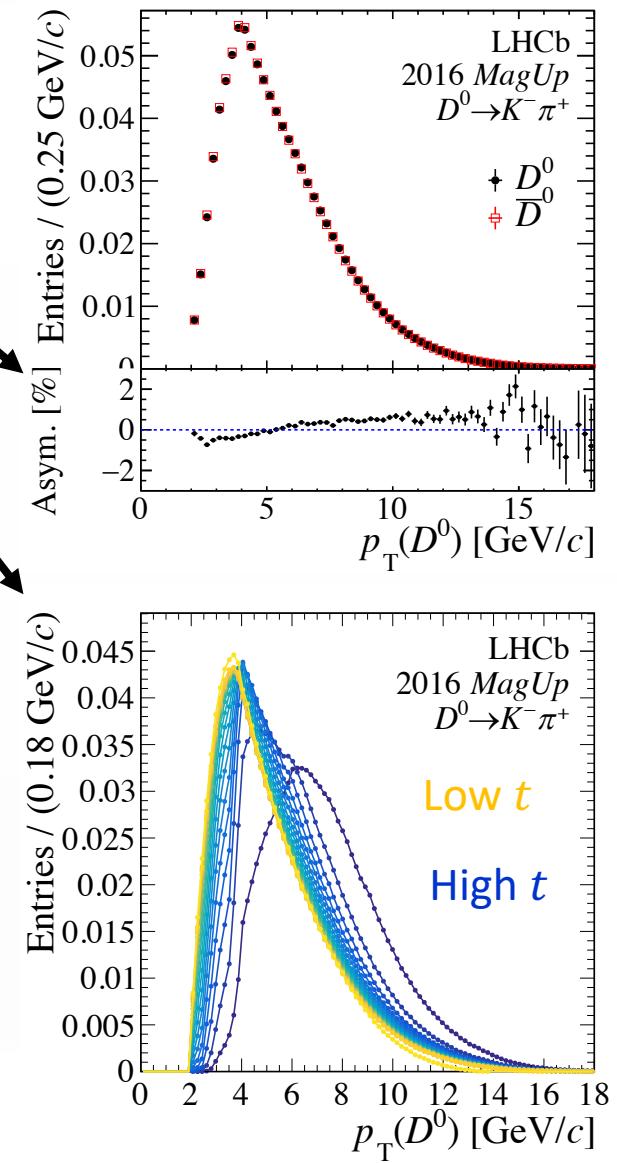
# Treatment of the time-dependent nuisance asymmetries

- The LHCb dipole magnet can point upwards (*MagUp*) or downwards (*MagDown*).
- For a given magnet polarity, this induces large  $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$  momentum-dependent detection asymmetries alongside the horizontal plane (especially from the  $\pi_{tag}^\pm$  that have low momenta).
- These asymmetries ( $+ D^{*\pm}$  production asymmetries) reflect into  $D^0$  momentum asymmetries.
- Trigger requirements correlate  $D^0$  kinematics and  $D^0$  decay time, these nuisance asymmetries becomes time-dependent. This biases the measurement.
- Strategy: equalise the kinematics of  $D^0$  and  $\bar{D}^0$  decays with a kinematic weighting procedure.



After kinematic weighting:  
 $\Delta Y_{K^-\pi^+} = 0$  (as expected  
inside control sample).

Before kinematic weighting:  
 $\Delta Y_{K^-\pi^+} \neq 0$



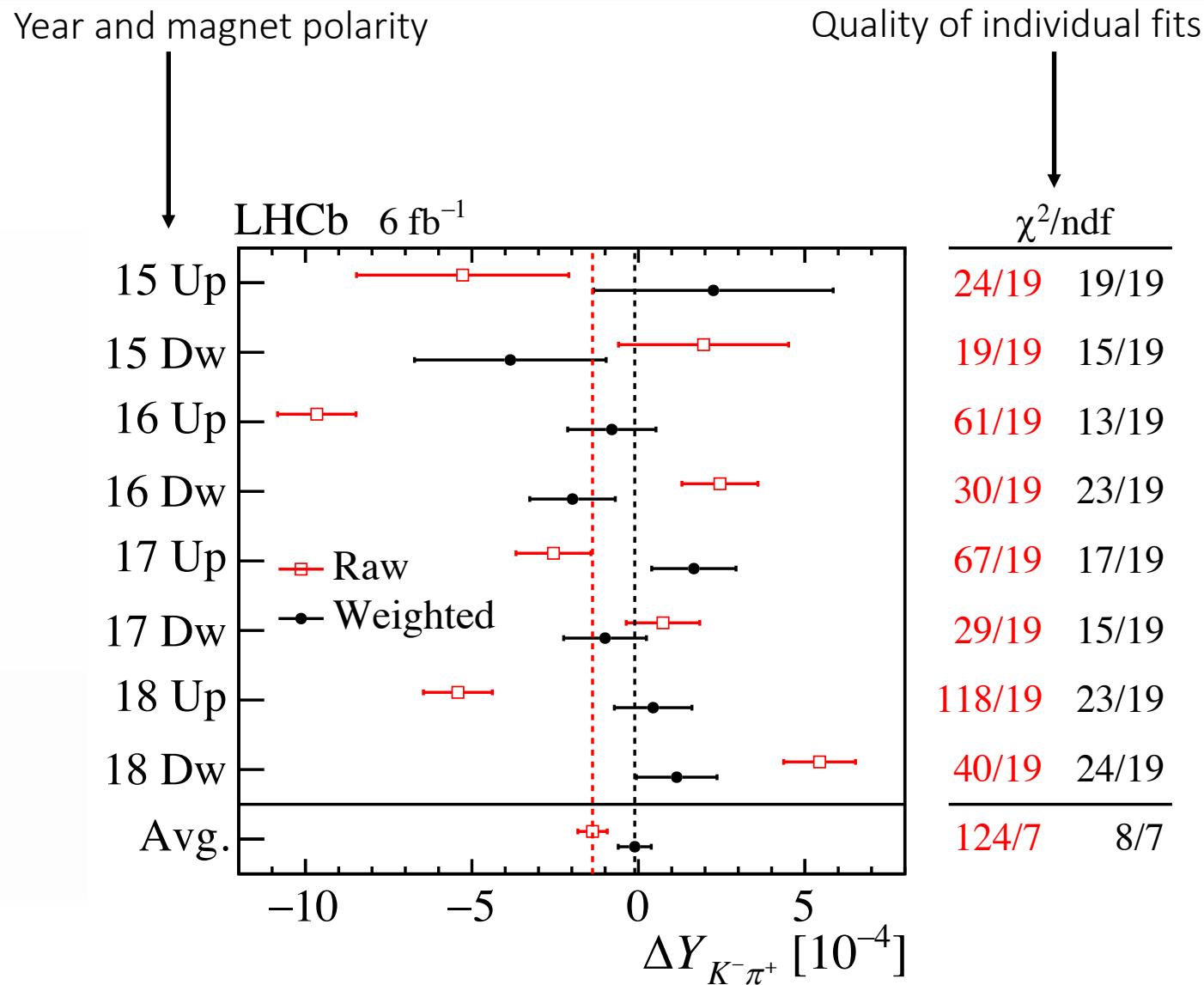
# Cross-check: Measurement of $\Delta Y_{K^-\pi^+}$ using full Run 2 data

- Before the kinematic weighting (raw condition):  
 $\Delta Y_{K^-\pi^+} \neq 0$  with poor fit qualities and a bad compatibility among all years and magnet polarities.
- After the kinematic weighting: time-dependent asymmetries are removed. Good fit qualities and good compatibility among each year and magnet polarity.

$$\Delta Y_{K^-\pi^+} = (-0.4 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-4}$$

(includes correction from secondary B decays + systematics presented in next slides)

- An extremely precise and powerful cross-check measurement!

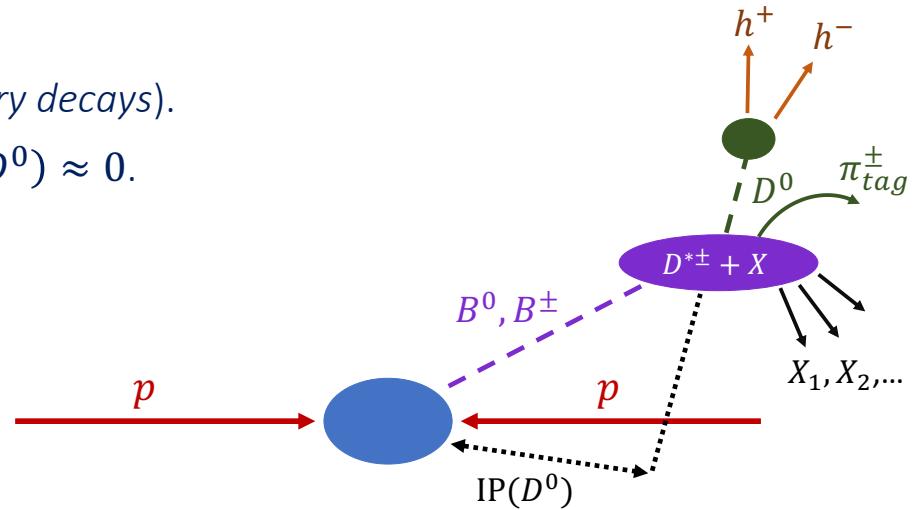
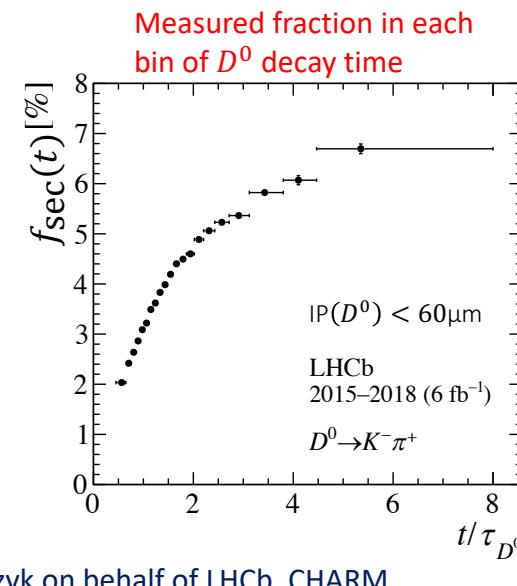
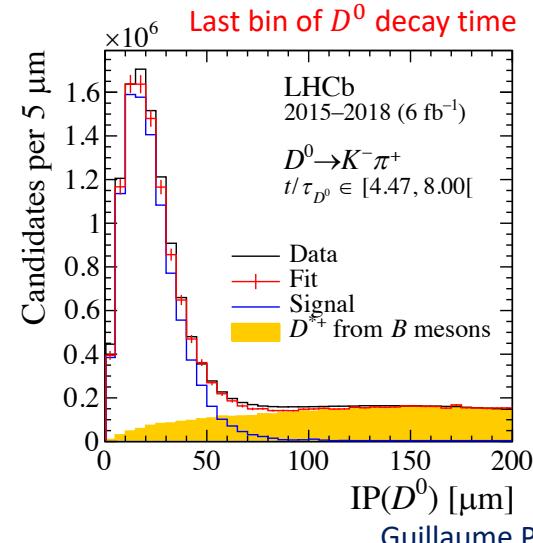
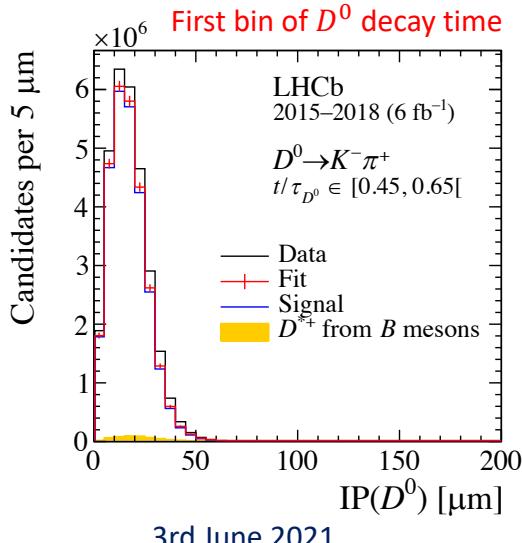


# $\Delta Y$ measurement – Contamination from $B$ decays

- Important nuisance from  $D^{*\pm}$  candidates produced from  $B^0$  or  $B^\pm$  mesons (*secondary decays*).
- These secondary  $D^0$  have large impact parameters (IP), unlike prompt  $D^0$  where  $\text{IP}(D^0) \approx 0$ .
- We apply  $\text{IP}(D^0) < 60\mu\text{m}$  to remove a large fraction of secondary decays.

$$A_{\text{tot}}(t) = A_{\text{prompt}}(t) + f_{\text{sec}}(t)[A_{\text{sec}}(t) - A_{\text{prompt}}(t)]$$

- By measuring the fraction of secondary decays  $f_{\text{sec}}(t)$  and the difference  $A_{\text{sec}}(t) - A_{\text{prompt}}(t)$ , we can subtract the secondary contribution.
- $f_{\text{sec}}(t)$  is measured in each bin of  $D^0$  decay time by fitting real data to templates obtained from Monte Carlo samples of prompt and secondary candidates.

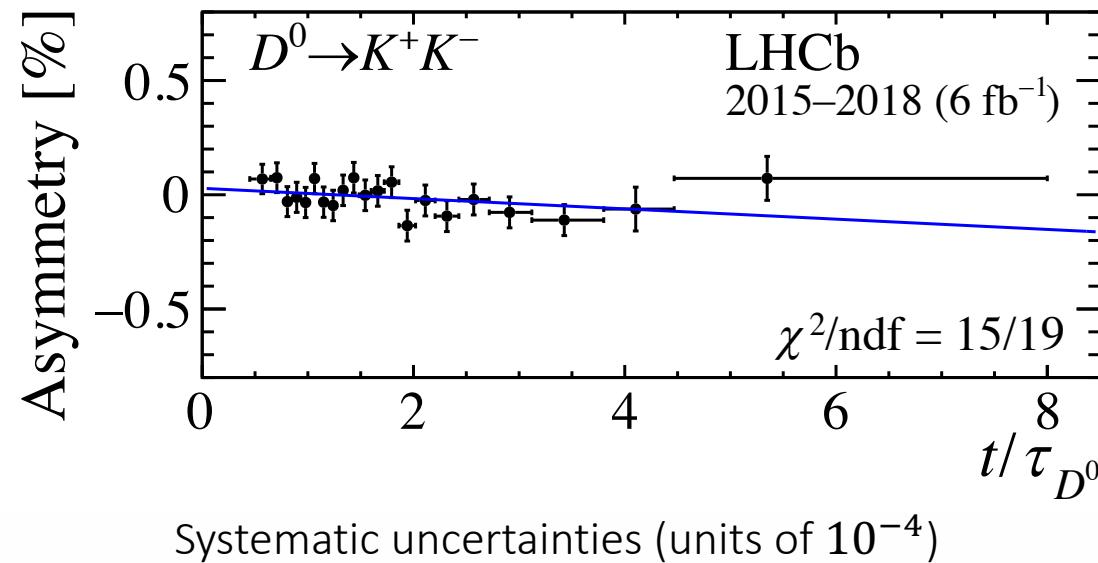


- $A_{\text{sec}}(t) - A_{\text{prompt}}(t)$  is measured from data with  $\text{IP}(D^0) > 100\mu\text{m}$ :  
 $A_{\text{sec}}(t) - A_{\text{prompt}}(t) = (2.2 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-3}$   
 (and seen to be independent of decay time)
- Subtracted secondary contribution:

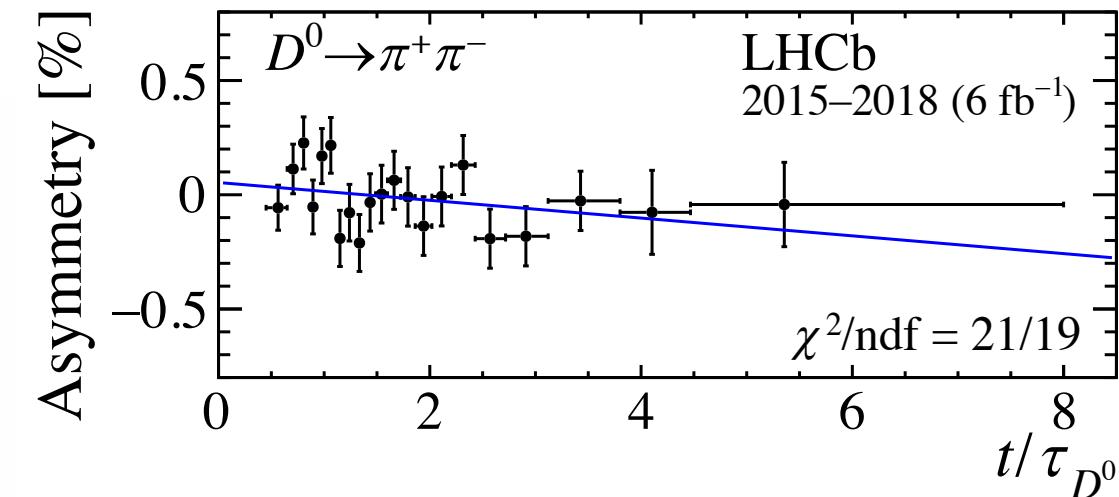
$$\Delta A = 0.26 \times 10^{-4}$$

# Final results using $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-$ and $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ decays

$$\Delta Y_{K^+K^-} = (-2.3 \pm 1.5 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-4}$$



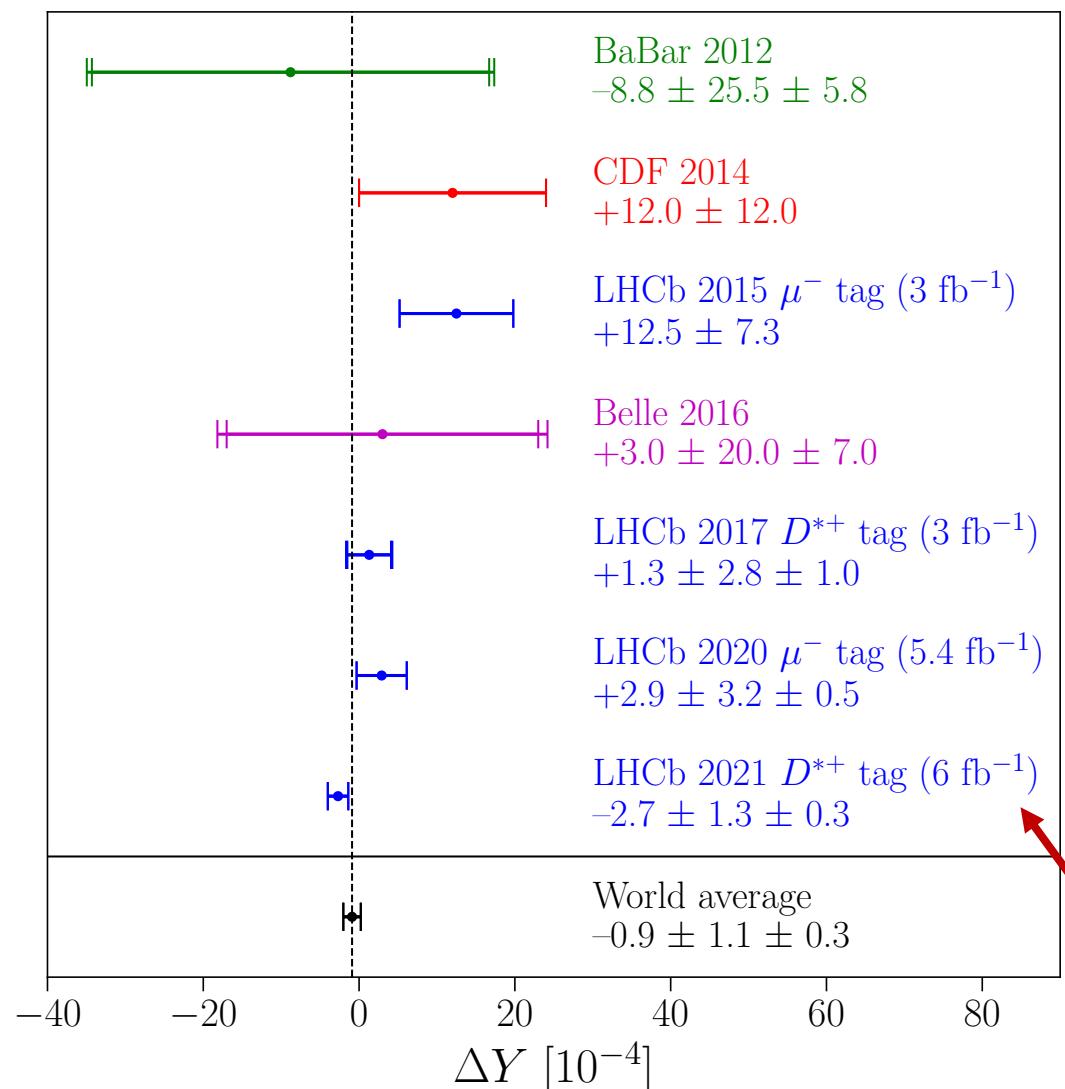
$$\Delta Y_{\pi^+\pi^-} = (-4.0 \pm 2.8 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-4}$$



Source	$\Delta Y_{K^+K^-}$	$\Delta Y_{\pi^+\pi^-}$
Subtraction of the $m(D^0\pi_{\text{tag}}^+)$ background	0.2	0.3
Flavour-dependent shift of $m(D^{*+})$ peak	0.1	0.1
$D^{*+}$ from $B$ -meson decays	0.1	0.1
$m(h^+h^-)$ background	0.1	< 0.1
Kinematic weighting	0.1	0.1
Total systematic	0.3	0.4
Statistical	1.5	2.8

- $\Delta Y_{K^+K^-}$  and  $\Delta Y_{\pi^+\pi^-}$  agree with each other within  $0.5\sigma$  and are compatible with zero within  $2\sigma$ .
- Systematic uncertainties are at the level of a few  $10^{-5}$ : less than 20% of the statistical uncertainty. Very promising for future LHCb measurements!

# Search for time-dependent CPV in $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-$ and $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ decays – Results combinations



Previous world average value:  $\Delta Y = (+3.1 \pm 2.0 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-4}$   
HFLAV

Our estimated new world average value:

$$\Delta Y = (-0.9 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-4}$$

Compatible with CP conservation hypothesis

Standard Model prediction:

$$\Delta Y \approx \mathcal{O}(2 \times 10^{-5})$$

Kagan & Silvestrini 2020

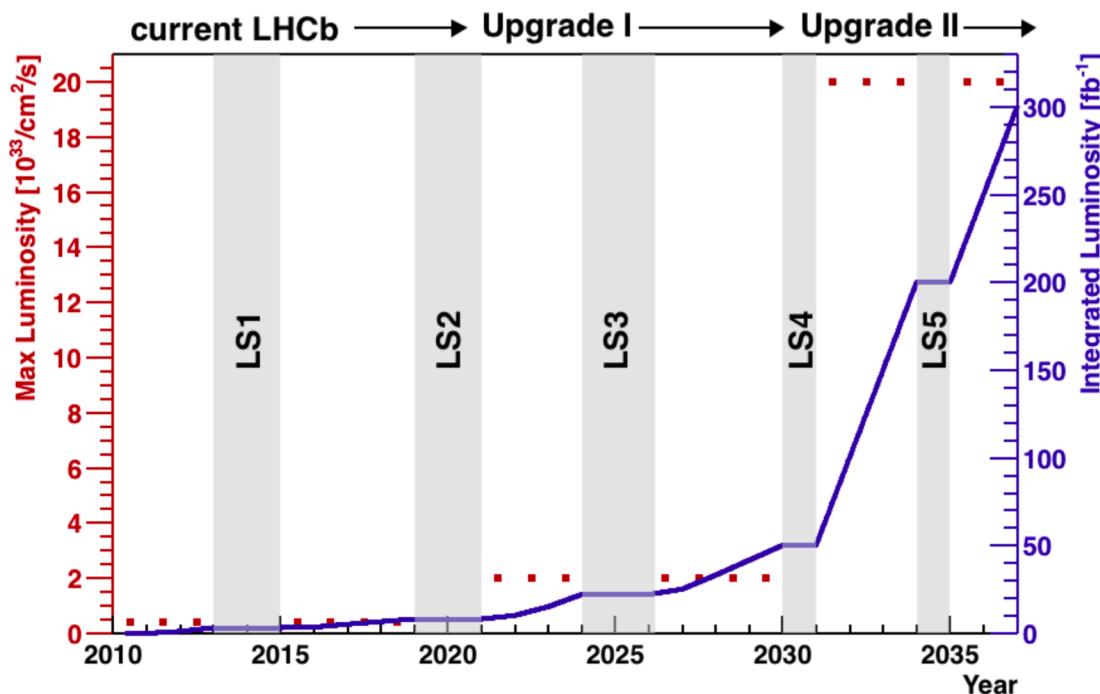
Li, Umeeda, Xu, Yu 2020

This measurement!

# Projected sensitivities for LHCb Run 1+2 charm mixing measurements

Parameter(s)/observable(s)	Channel(s)	Current public results	Projected sensitivities with full Run 1+2 ( $9\text{fb}^{-1}$ )
Charm mixing parameters from two-body RS/WS decay time ratios	$D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$ $D^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^-$	$x'^2 = (3.9 \pm 2.7) \times 10^{-5}$ $y' = (5.28 \pm 0.52) \times 10^{-3}$ $R_D = (3.454 \pm 0.031) \times 10^{-3}$ $A_D = (-0.1 \pm 9.1) \times 10^{-3}$ Prompt $D^0$ (Run 1 + 2015-2016 ( $5\text{fb}^{-1}$ )) <a href="#">Phys. Rev. D 97, 031101(R)</a>	$\sigma(x'^2) \sim 2 \times 10^{-5}$ $\sigma(y') \sim 0.3 \times 10^{-3}$ $\sigma(R_D) \sim 0.02 \times 10^{-3}$ $\sigma(A_D) \sim 6 \times 10^{-3}$
Charm mixing parameters from bin-flip analysis [ <a href="#">arXiv:1811.01032</a> ]	$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^+\pi^-$	$x = (0.27^{+0.17}_{-0.15}) \times 10^{-2}$ $y = (0.74 \pm 0.37) \times 10^{-2}$ $ q/p  = 1.05^{+0.22}_{-0.17}$ $\phi = -0.09^{+0.11}_{-0.16}$ Prompt $D^0$ ( $2012, 2\text{fb}^{-1}$ ) and $D^0$ from semileptonic $B$ decays (Run 1, $3\text{fb}^{-1}$ ) <a href="#">Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 231802</a>	$\sigma(x) \sim 0.05 \times 10^{-2}$ $\sigma(y) \sim 1.5 \times 10^{-2}$ $\sigma( q/p ) \sim 0.04$ $\sigma(\phi) \sim 0.04$
Charm mixing parameter $y_{CP}$	$D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$ $D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-$ $D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$	$y_{CP} = (0.57 \pm 0.16) \times 10^{-2}$ $D^0$ from semileptonic $B$ decays (Run 1, $3\text{fb}^{-1}$ ) <a href="#">Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 011802</a>	$\sigma(y_{CP}) \sim 0.02 \times 10^{-2}$ Using prompt $D^0 + D^0$ from semileptonic $B$ decays

# Charm mixing and indirect CPV: prospects for future LHCb measurements



\*Current plan shifted by a year due to Covid-19

## Prospects for Run 4 and Run 5 at LHCb

Sample ( $\mathcal{L}$ )	Tag	Yield $K^+K^-$	$\sigma(A_\Gamma)$	Yield $\pi^+\pi^-$	$\sigma(A_\Gamma)$
Run 1–2 ( $9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	Prompt	60M	0.013%	18M	0.024%
Run 1–3 ( $23 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	Prompt	310M	0.0056%	92M	0.0104 %
Run 1–4 ( $50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	Prompt	793M	0.0035%	236M	0.0065 %
Run 1–5 ( $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	Prompt	5.3G	0.0014%	1.6G	0.0025 %

$300\text{fb}^{-1}$  predictions reach the SM expectations of  $A_\Gamma \approx \mathcal{O}(2 \times 10^{-5})$

## Charm mixing parameters

Sample (lumi $\mathcal{L}$ )	Tag	Yield	$\sigma(x)$	$\sigma(y)$	$\sigma( q/p )$	$\sigma(\phi)$
Run 1–2 ( $9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	SL	10M	0.07%	0.05%	0.07	4.6°
	Prompt	36M	0.05%	0.05%	0.04	1.8°
Run 1–3 ( $23 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	SL	33M	0.036%	0.030%	0.036	2.5°
	Prompt	200M	0.020%	0.020%	0.017	0.77°
Run 1–4 ( $50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	SL	78M	0.024%	0.019%	0.024	1.7°
	Prompt	520M	0.012%	0.013%	0.011	0.48°
Run 1–5 ( $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	SL	490M	0.009%	0.008%	0.009	0.69°
	Prompt	3500M	0.005%	0.005%	0.004	0.18°

# Summary

- The  $\Delta Y$  measurement reaches an impressive precision of  $\sim 1 \times 10^{-4}$ ! But still no sign of indirect CPV in charm decays.
- We are working hard to finalise other charm measurements with the full Run 2 dataset.
- All results are limited by statistics: room for improvement in the next data-taking periods.
- Tune in tomorrow to Angelo Carbone's plenary talk [CPV and Oscillations in the Charm Sector at LHCb](#) 😊

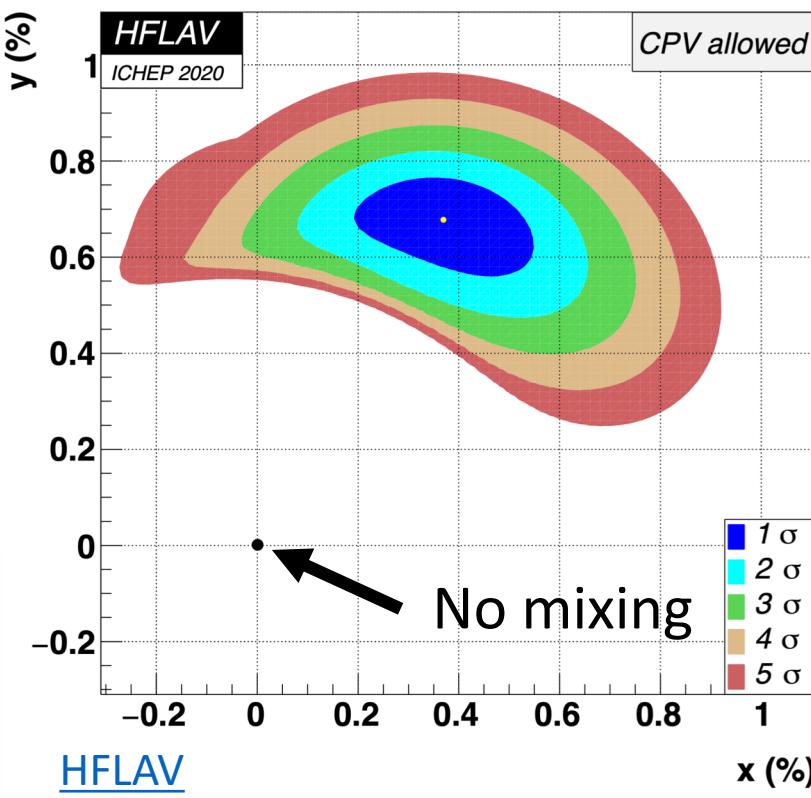


# Back-up slides

# Charm-mixing and CP-violation

- Flavour-mixing leads to a distinction between mass eigenstates and flavour eigenstates:

Charm mixing is well-established: no-mixing hypothesis excluded at  $\gg 5\sigma$ !



$$|D_{1,2}\rangle = p|D^0\rangle \pm q|\bar{D}^0\rangle$$

- The oscillations depend on parameters x and y:

$$x = 2 \frac{M_2 - M_1}{\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2}$$

$$y = \frac{\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2}$$

- The following CP-violating mixing parameters probe indirect CPV:

$$\begin{aligned}x_{CP} &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ x \cos \phi \left( \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| + \left| \frac{p}{q} \right| \right) + y \sin \phi \left( \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| - \left| \frac{p}{q} \right| \right) \right] \\ \Delta x &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ x \cos \phi \left( \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| - \left| \frac{p}{q} \right| \right) + y \sin \phi \left( \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| + \left| \frac{p}{q} \right| \right) \right] \\ y_{CP} &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ y \cos \phi \left( \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| + \left| \frac{p}{q} \right| \right) - x \sin \phi \left( \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| - \left| \frac{p}{q} \right| \right) \right] \\ \Delta y &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ y \cos \phi \left( \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| - \left| \frac{p}{q} \right| \right) - x \sin \phi \left( \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| + \left| \frac{p}{q} \right| \right) \right]\end{aligned}$$

if no CPV



$$\begin{aligned}\phi &= \arg \left( \frac{q \bar{A}_f}{p A_f} \right) = 0 \\ \text{and } \left| \frac{q}{p} \right| &= 1\end{aligned}$$

$$x_{CP} = x$$

$$\Delta x = 0$$

$$y_{CP} = y$$

$$\Delta y = 0$$

# $\Delta Y$ measurement: Theoretical parametrisation

- The *phenomenological parametrisation* depends on:  $x = \frac{M_2 - M_1}{\Gamma}$ ,  $y = \frac{\Gamma_2 - \Gamma_1}{2\Gamma}$ ,  $\lambda_f = \frac{q \bar{A}_f}{p A_f}$
- We can also use the *theoretical parametrisation* depending on:

$$x_{12} = \frac{2|M_{12}|}{\Gamma}, \quad y_{12} = \frac{2|\Gamma_{12}|}{\Gamma}, \quad \lambda_f^M = \frac{M_{12}}{|M_{12}|} \frac{\bar{A}_f}{A_f}, \quad \lambda_f^\Gamma = \frac{\Gamma_{12}}{|\Gamma_{12}|} \frac{\bar{A}_f}{A_f}$$

- With the theoretical parametrisation, one can write  $\Delta Y_f$  as

$$\Delta Y_f \approx -x_{12} \sin \phi_2^M + y_{12} a_f^d \left( 1 + \frac{x_{12}}{y_{12}} \cot \delta_f \cos \phi_f^M \right)$$

Universal part (independent of final state)

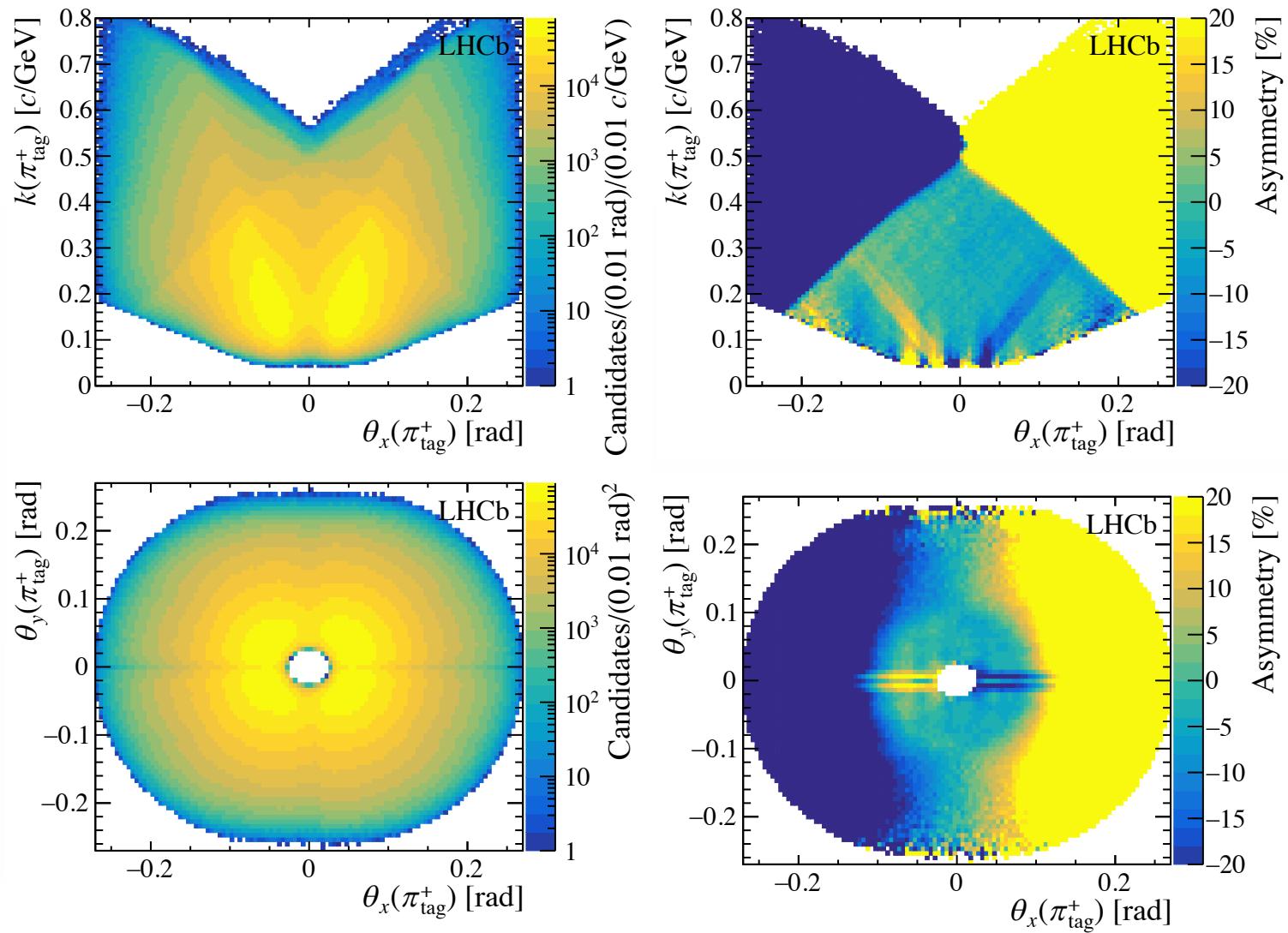
Dependent on final state

- Since  $y_{12} a_f^d \lesssim 0.13 \times 10^{-4}$  and that our current experimental precision is  $\sim 1 \times 10^{-4}$ , we have

$$\Delta Y_f \approx \Delta Y \approx -x_{12} \sin \phi_2^M$$

# $\Delta Y$ measurement: Nuisance asymmetries

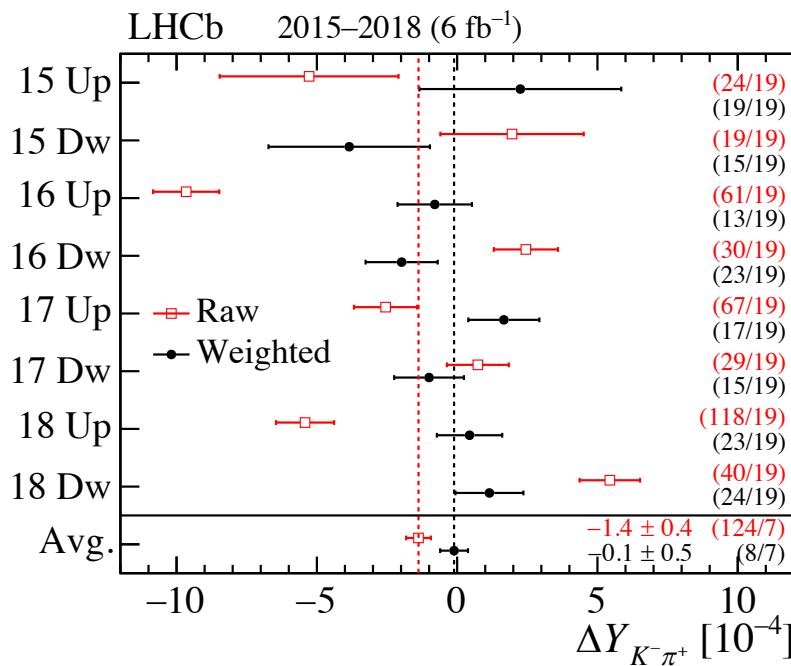
- We study the topological quantities:
$$\theta_{x(y)} = \arctan(p_{x(y)}/p_z)$$
$$k = 1/\sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2}$$
- (Left) sum and (right) asymmetry of the distributions of the momentum of  $\pi_{tag}^{\pm}$  candidates, projected on the (top)  $k$  vs  $\theta_x$  and (bottom)  $\theta_y$  vs  $\theta_x$  planes, for the  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$  candidates collected in 2017 with the MagUp polarity.
- The asymmetries during the other data-taking years are similar, and opposite in sign for the data collected with the MagDown polarity. The regions of the distributions with asymmetries whose magnitude is larger than 20% are discarded from the data sample after the kinematic weighting.



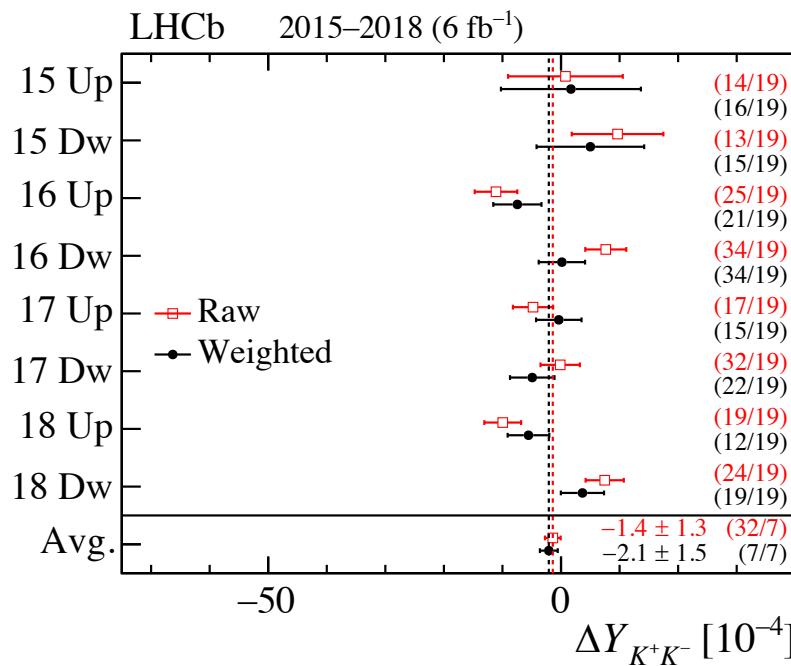
# $\Delta Y$ measurement – results for each year and magnet polarity

- $\Delta Y$  fits for years 2015–2018 and *MagUp-MagDown* magnet polarities.
- Raw values in red and kinematically reweighted (to remove time-dependent experimental asymmetries) + secondary decays subtracted values in black.

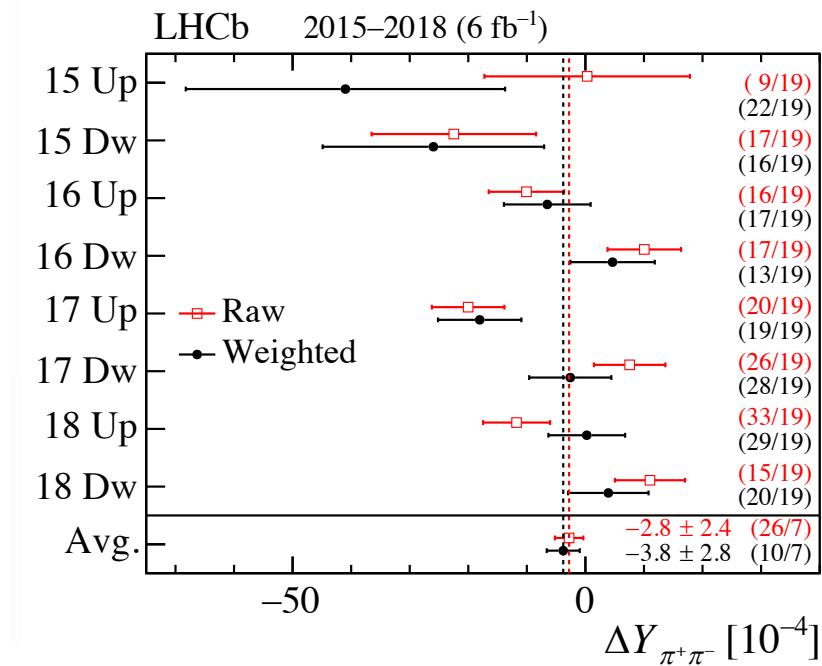
Cross check with  $D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$  decays



Measurements of  $\Delta Y_{K^+K^-}$

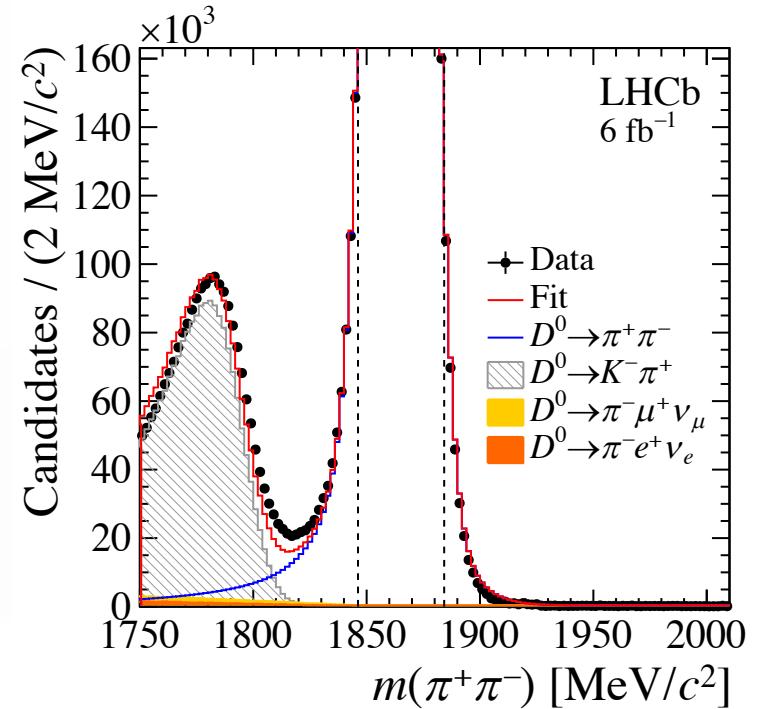
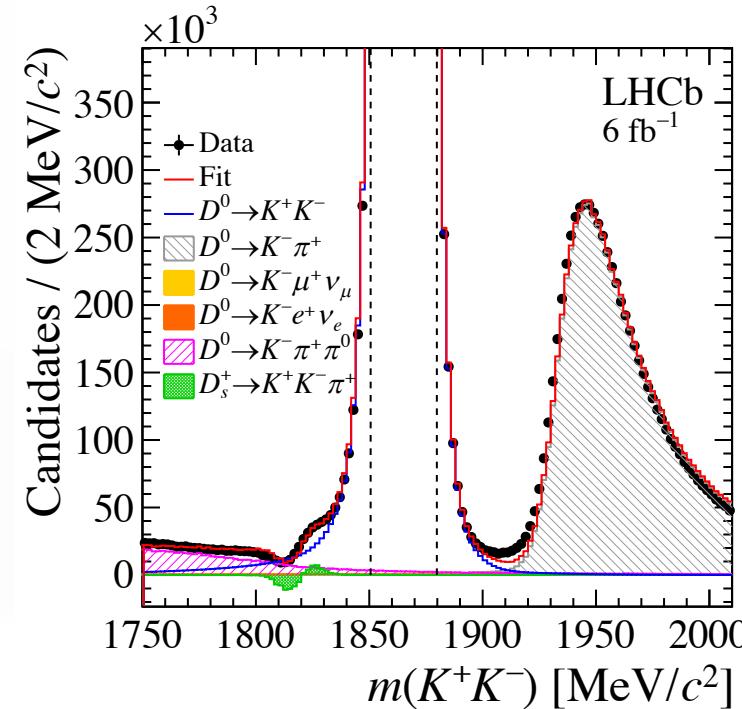
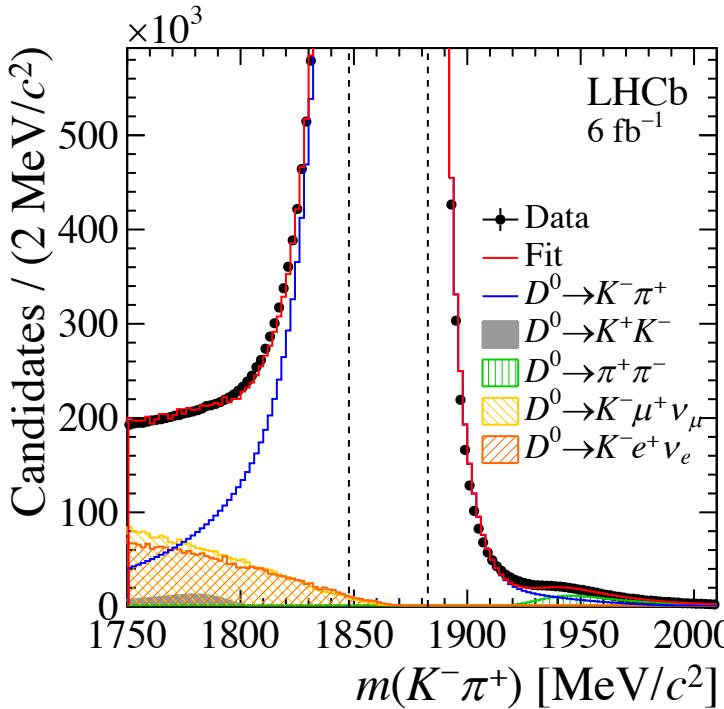


Measurements of  $\Delta Y_{\pi^+\pi^-}$



# $\Delta Y$ measurement – $m(h^+h^-)$ background (systematic uncertainty)

- There is a small background in the  $m(h^+h^-)$  distribution coming from partially or misreconstructed  $D^{*+} \rightarrow (D^0 \rightarrow h^+h^-)\pi_{tag}^+$  candidates.
- The background fractions amount to  $10^{-3} - 10^{-4}$  for the different decay channels.
- The corresponding systematic uncertainties are  $\sigma(\Delta Y_{K^-\pi^+}) = 0.00 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $\sigma(\Delta Y_{K^+K^-}) = 0.06 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $\sigma(\Delta Y_{\pi^+\pi^-}) = 0.03 \times 10^{-4}$ .



# Improvements of $\phi_2^M$ and $\phi_2^\Gamma$

