

# Measurements of the CKM angle $\gamma/\phi_3$ at **LHCb** and **Belle (II)** with inputs from **BES III**

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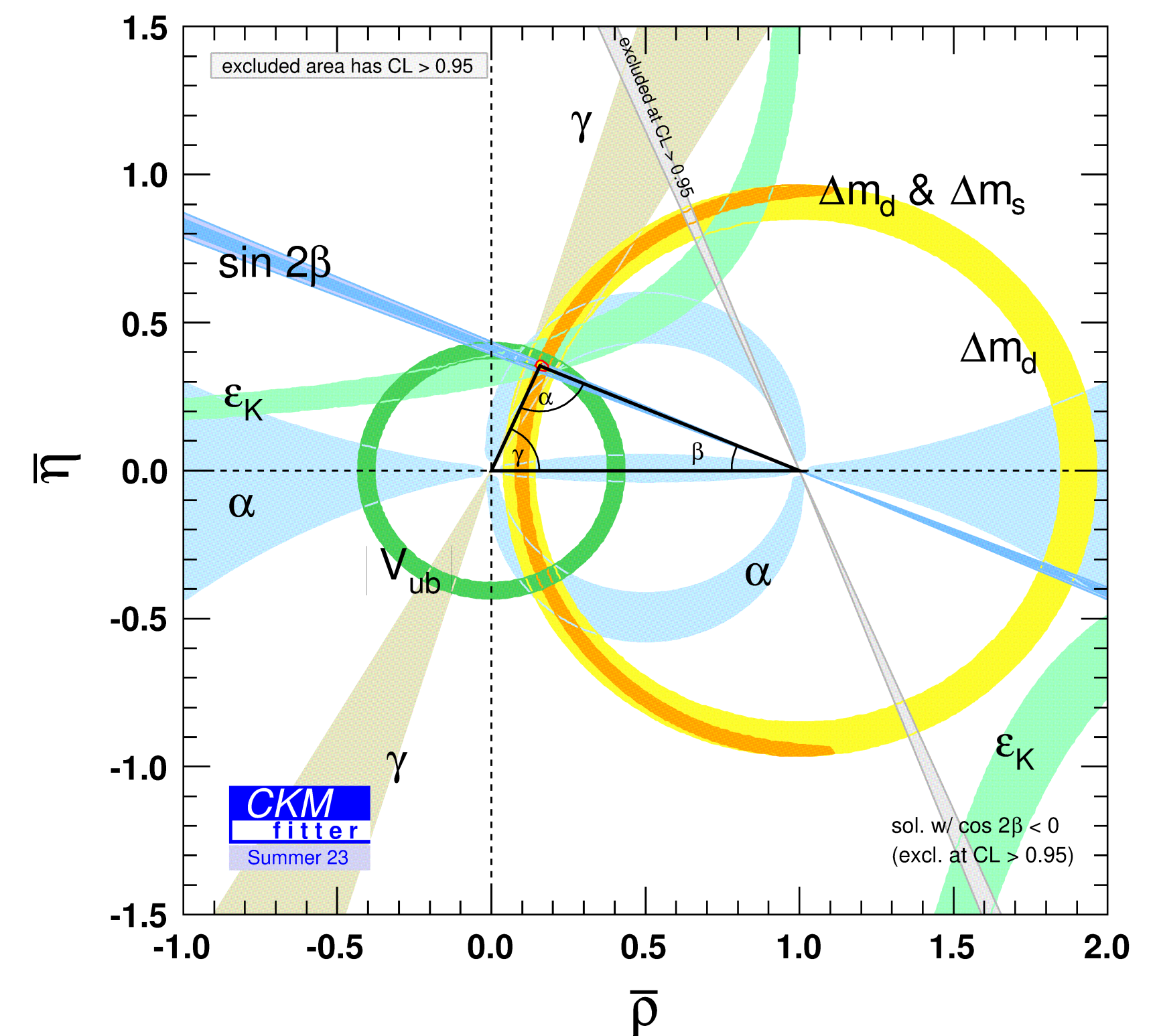
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# CKM angle $\gamma$

- CKM matrix links quark mass and flavour eigenstates
- Unitary in the SM
  - $\Rightarrow$  triangles in the complex plane
- Use measurements to overconstrain them and search for new physics
- Also compare direct to indirect measurements
  - **CKMfitter** 2023 indirect world average  $\gamma = (66.3^{+0.7}_{-1.9})^\circ$
  - **HFLAV** 2025 direct world average  $\gamma = (66.4^{+2.7}_{-2.8})^\circ$
  - Global Beauty and Charm average  $\gamma = (65.7 \pm 2.5)^\circ$  **Phys. Rev. D 112, 013004**
- Tree-level  $\gamma$  measurements have very low theory uncertainties - excellent benchmark parameter **JHEP 01 (2014) 051**
  - Next milestone for direct measurement is  $1^\circ$  uncertainty

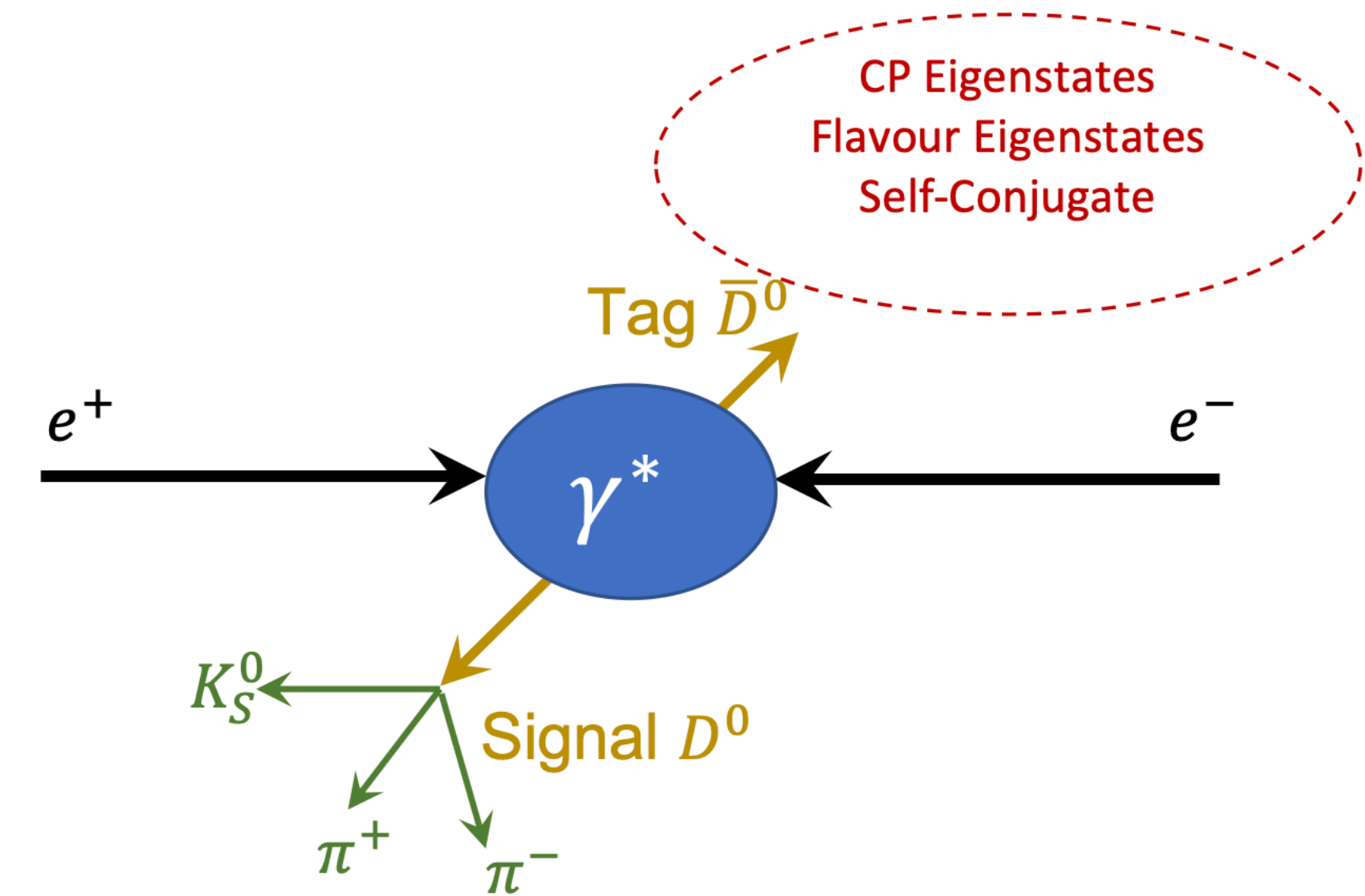
$$V_{\text{CKM}} \sim \begin{pmatrix} |V_{ud}| & |V_{us}| & |V_{ub}|e^{-i\gamma} \\ -|V_{cd}| & |V_{cs}| & |V_{cb}| \\ |V_{td}|e^{-i\beta} & -|V_{ts}|e^{i\beta_s} & |V_{tb}| \end{pmatrix}$$



CKMfitter fit of the  $db$  unitarity triangle

# BES III Inputs

- $e^+e^-$  at the  $D\bar{D}$  threshold ensures a clean environment
- $CP$ -odd quantum correlated Charm pairs from a virtual photon
- $20.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of  $\psi(3770) \rightarrow D\bar{D}$ 
  - Some measurements don't use the full dataset yet
- $B \rightarrow DX(Y)$  measurements of  $\gamma$  rely on hadronic  $D^0$  decay parameters
  - $r_D$  - ratio of suppressed and favoured  $D$  decay
  - $\Delta\delta_D$  - strong-phase difference
  - $\kappa_D$  - coherence factor, to account for multi-body decay resonance effects
  - Can also measure  $CP$ -even fractions  $F_+$



Sketch of  $D\bar{D}$  production at BES III,  
courtesy of Alex Gilman



- GLW method considers 2-body  $CP$  eigenstate modes,  $D \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $D \rightarrow K^+K^-$ ,  $D \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^0$
- $$R_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP}X) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP}X)}{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow D^0X) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}^0X)} \propto 1 + r_B^2 \pm 2r_B \cos(\delta_B) \cos(\gamma)$$
- For any  $D$  final state can measure the charge asymmetry
- $$A_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow f^-) - \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow f^+)}{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow f^-) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow f^+)} \propto \pm 2r_B \sin(\delta_B) \sin(\gamma) / R_{CP}$$
 “Difference in peak heights”
- Doesn't require strong-phase input
- Extend fairly simply to 4-body modes such as  $D \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$ 
  - Dilute interference by the  $CP$ -even fraction from BES III
- The same for  $B^0$  decays

$$B^+ \rightarrow DK^+, D \rightarrow (K^+K^-, K_S^0\pi^0)$$

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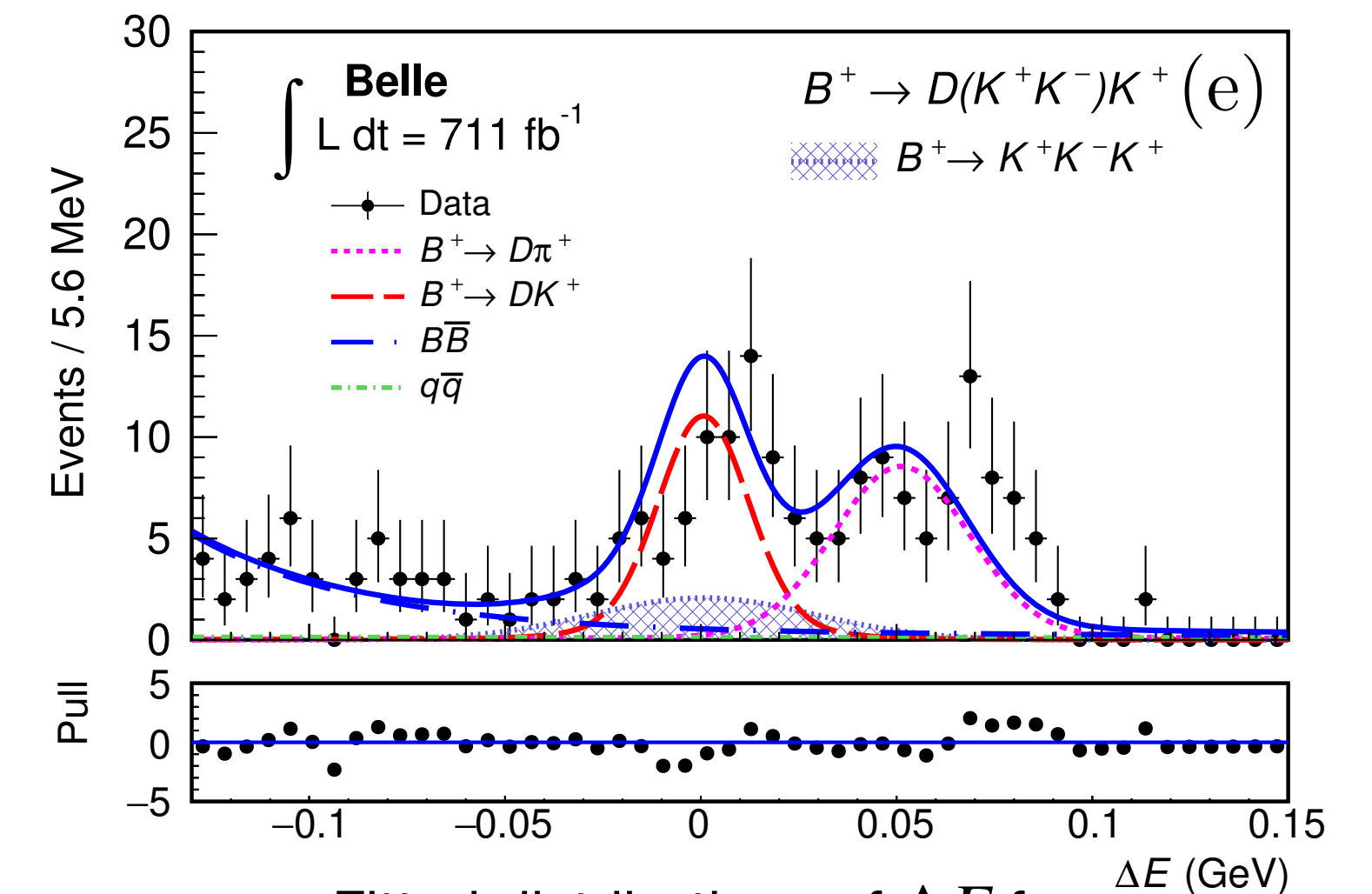
- $B^+ \rightarrow D\pi^+$  used to cancel efficiencies in  $CP$  observables (see backup)
- $772 \times 10^6$   $B\bar{B}$  pairs from Belle,  $198 \times 10^6$   $B\bar{B}$  from Belle II
- Data split into 12 sets:  $B$  charges  $\times$   $B$  decays  $\times$   $D$  final states
- $\Delta E = E_B - E_{\text{beam}}^*$ , difference of  $B$  candidate energy and beam energy
- Signal yields determined from a fit to  $\Delta E$  and an ordered BDT output,  $C'$ , “the fraction of signal events below  $C$ ”.
  - Factorised due to negligible correlation

$$R_{CP+} = 1.164 \pm 0.081 \pm 0.036$$

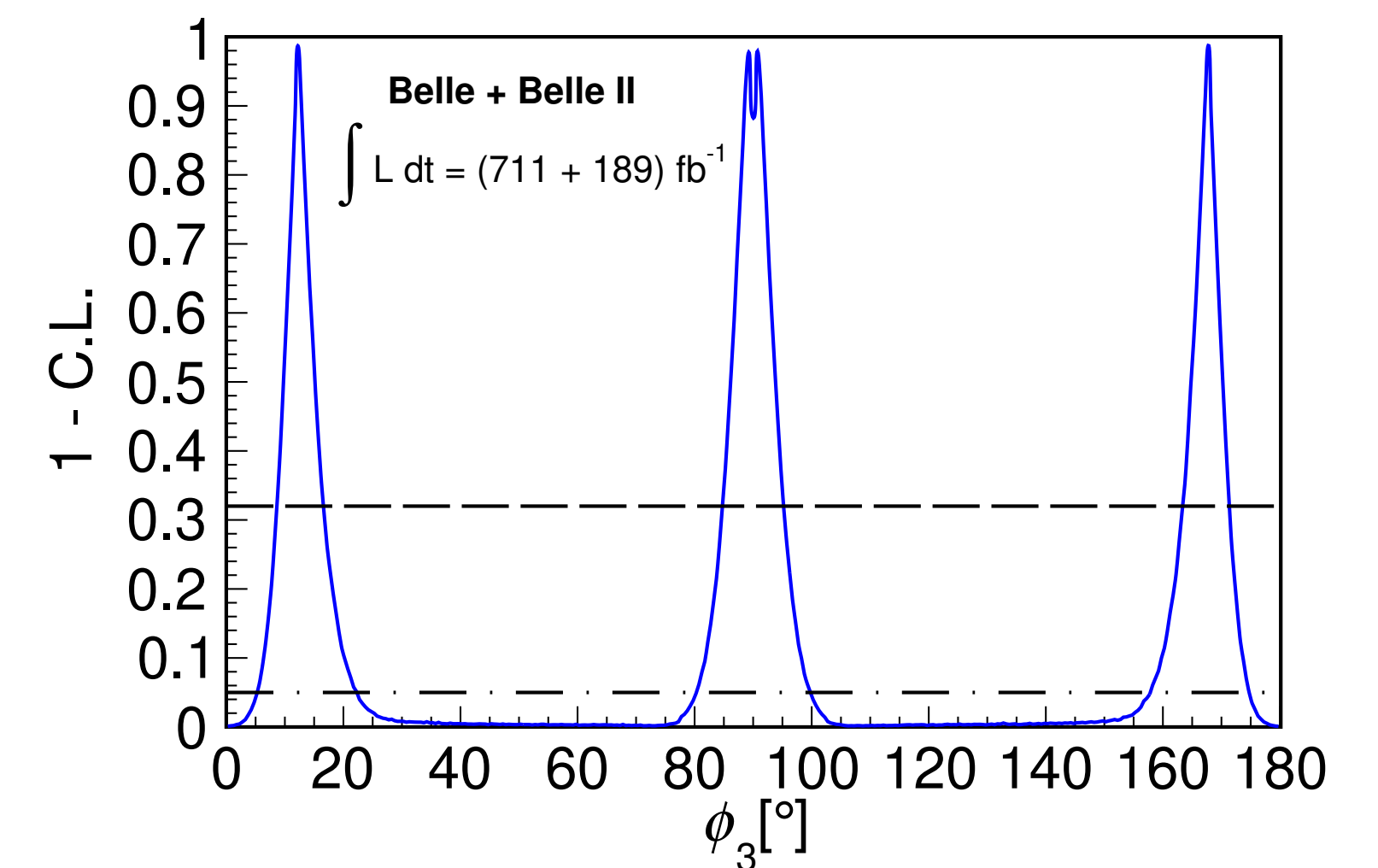
$$R_{CP-} = 1.151 \pm 0.074 \pm 0.019$$

$$A_{CP+} = (+12.5 \pm 5.8 \pm 1.4) \%$$

$$A_{CP-} = (-16.7 \pm 5.7 \pm 0.6) \%$$



Fitted distributions of  $\Delta E$  for  
 $B^+ \rightarrow DK^+, D \rightarrow K^+K^-$  in Belle data



1 - CL as a function of  $\phi_3$ , with dashed lines showing 68.3% CL, and 95.4% CL.

- ADS method considers 2-body Cabibbo favoured/suppressed modes  
 $D \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\mp$

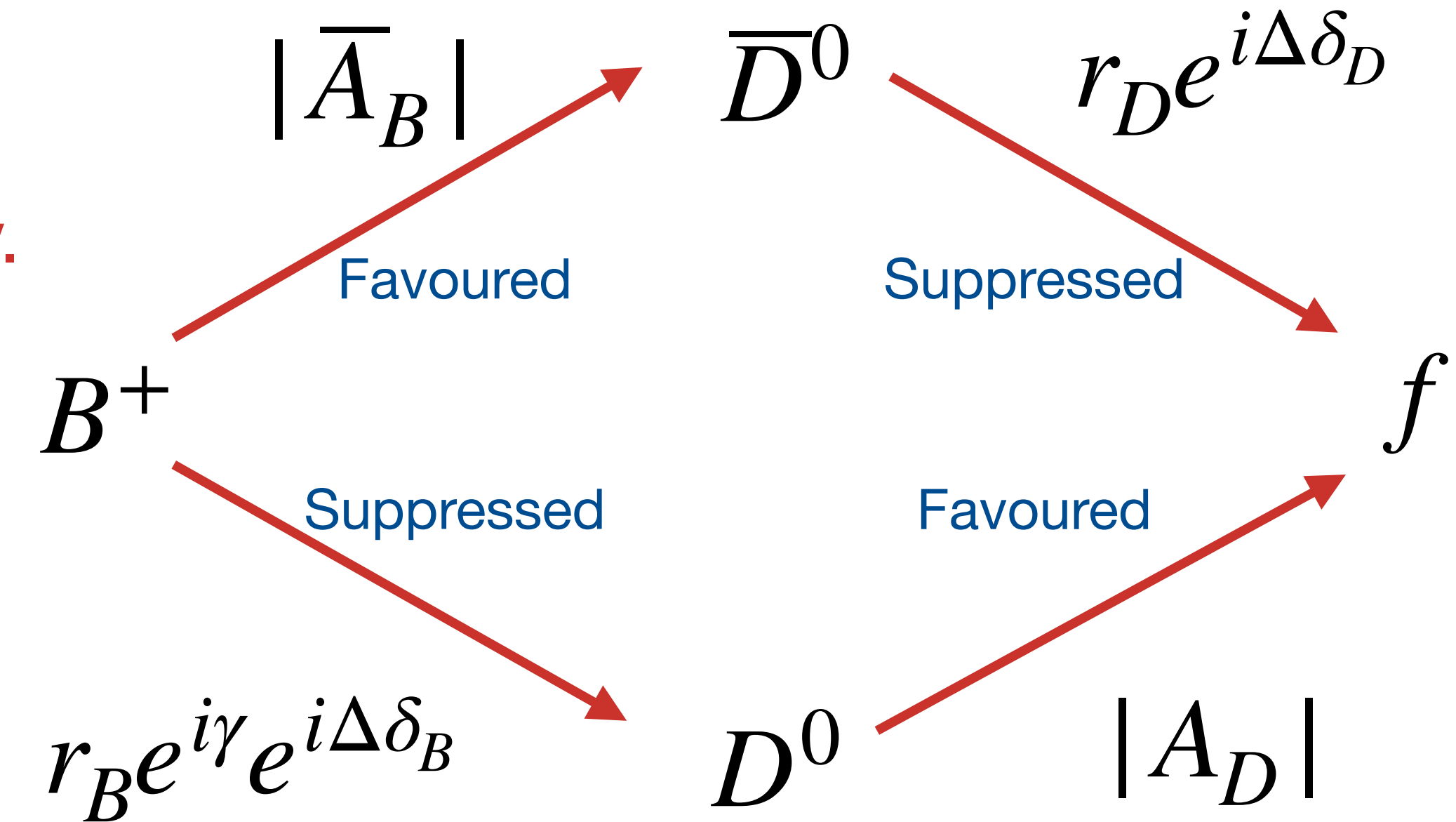
$$R_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow \bar{D}X, \bar{D} \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow DX, D \rightarrow f)}{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow DX, D \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}X, \bar{D} \rightarrow f)} \sim \text{sup./fav.}$$

$$\propto r_B^2 + r_D^2 + 2r_B r_D \cos(\delta_B + \delta_D) \cos(\gamma)$$

- For any  $D$  final state can measure the charge asymmetry

$$A_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow f) - \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow f)}{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow f)} \propto 2r_B r_D \sin(\delta_B + \delta_D) \sin(\gamma) / R_{CP}$$

- Fav/sup mode followed by sup/fav “balances” the size of terms in the amplitude  $\implies$  relatively large interference
- These extend fairly simply to 4-body modes such as  $D \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\mp \pi^+ \pi^-$ 
  - Dilute interference by a coherence factor,  $\kappa_D$ , to account for resonances
- Requires BES III inputs for  $r_D$ ,  $\Delta\delta_D$  and  $\kappa_D$

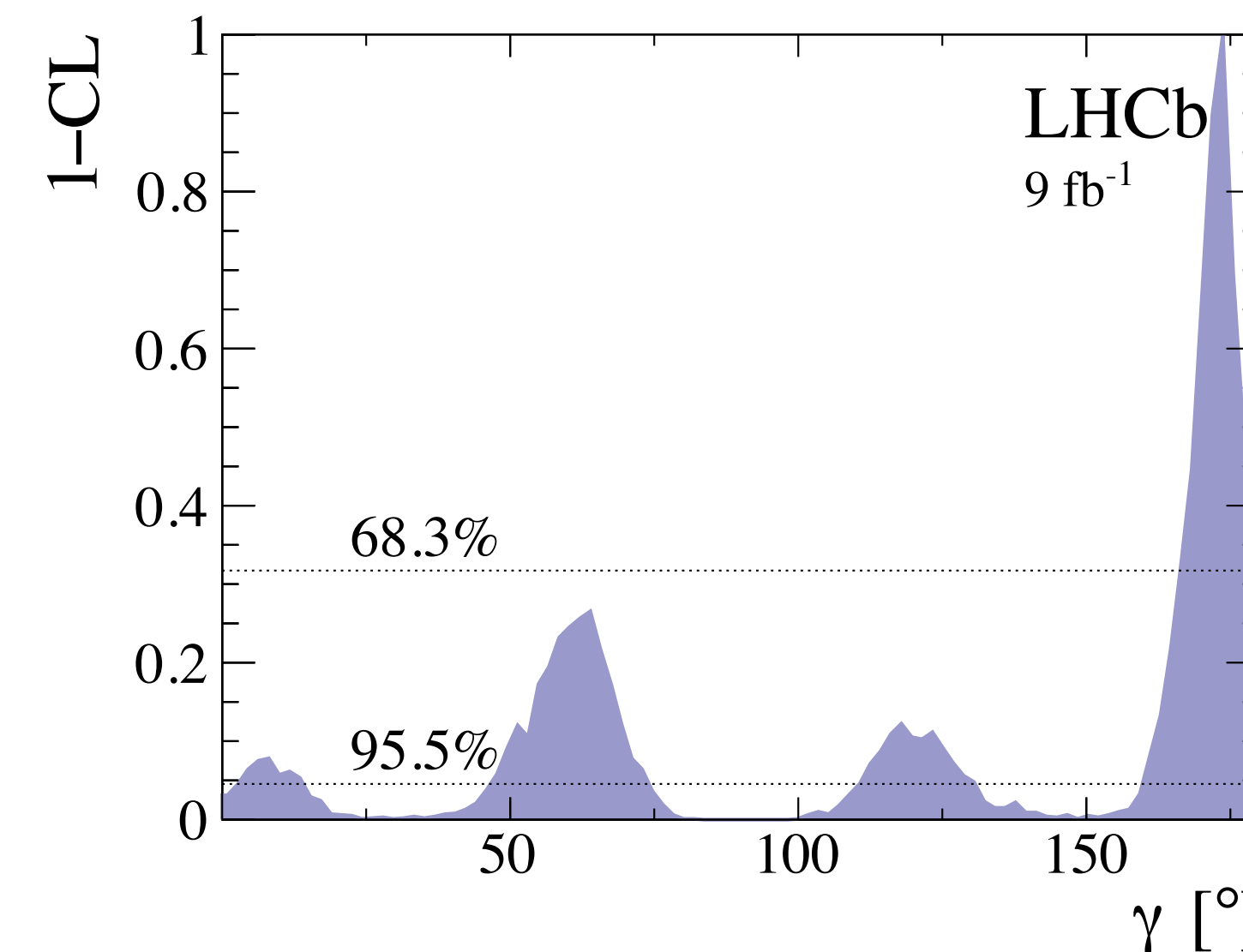
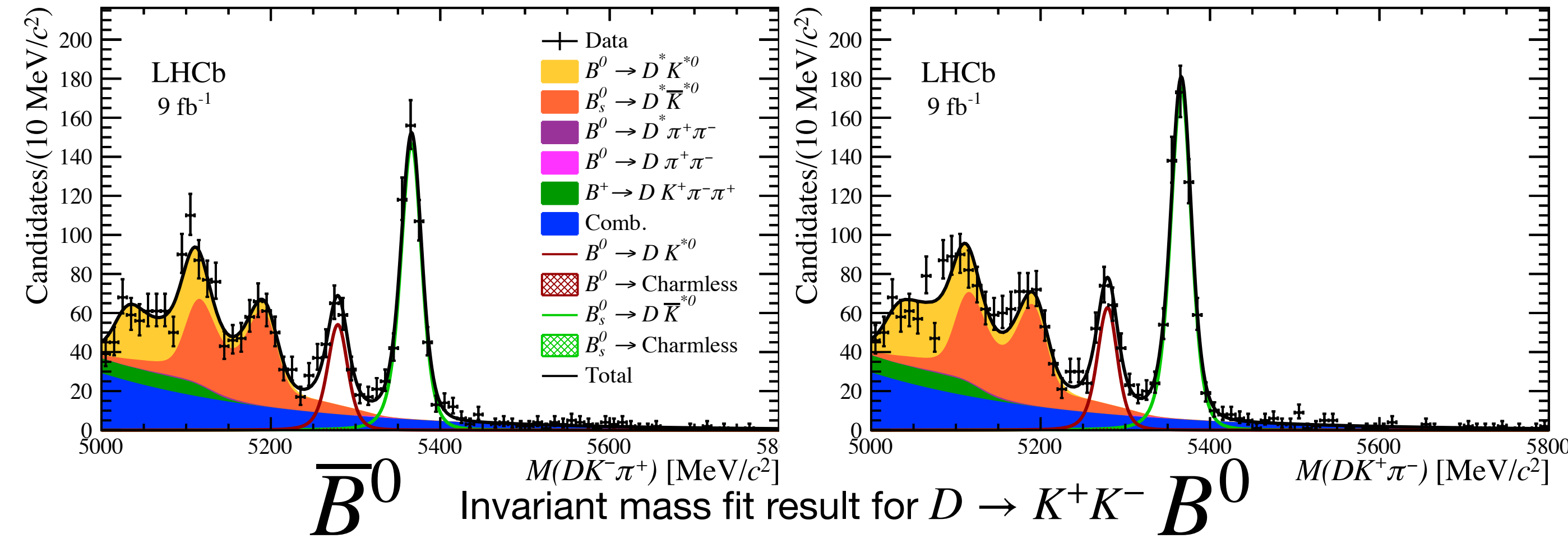


Sketch of the favoured and suppressed paths for a  
 $B^+ \rightarrow DX, D \rightarrow f$  GLW decay

# $B^0 \rightarrow DK^{*0}, D \rightarrow h^+h'^-(\pi^+\pi^-)$

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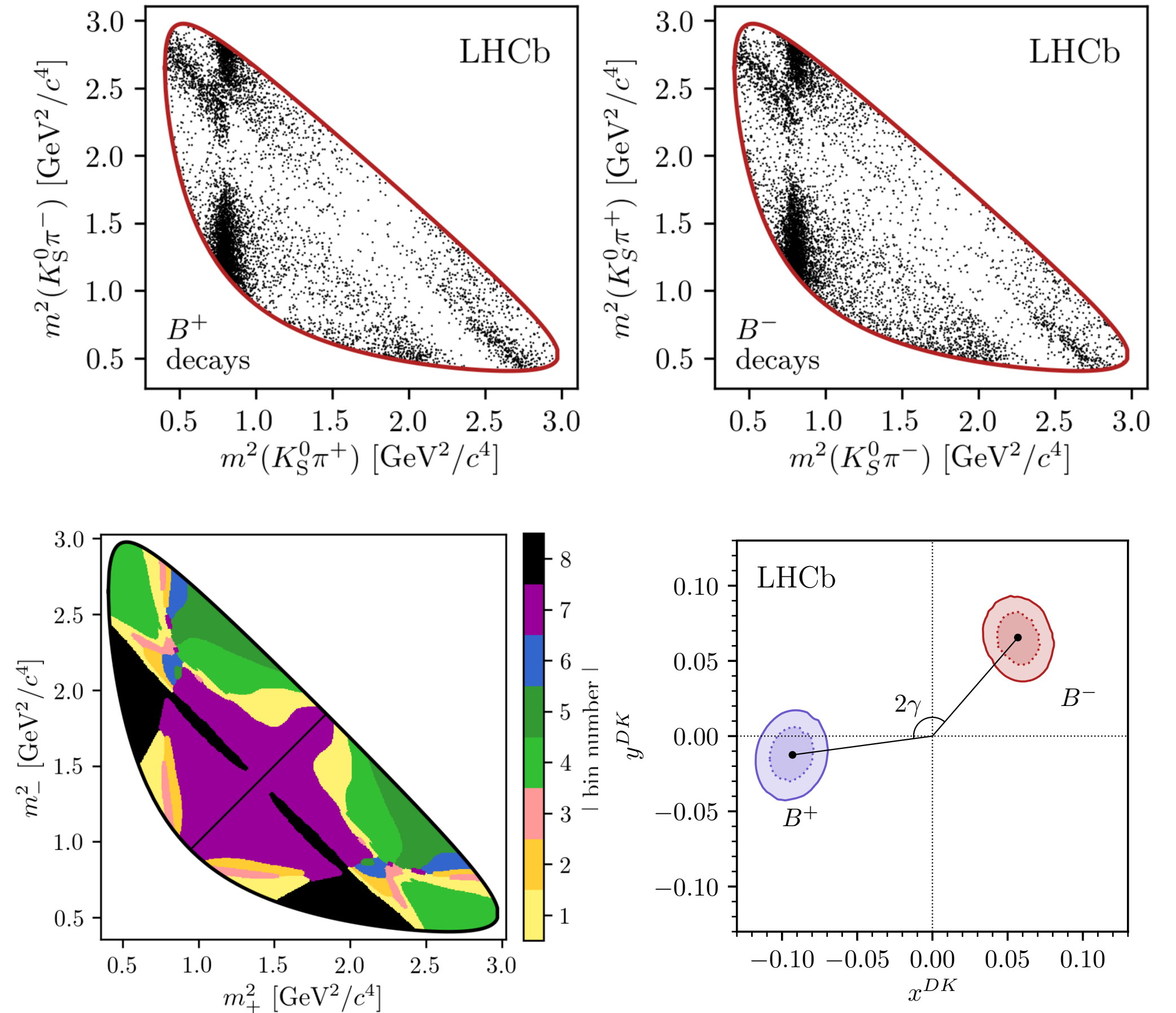
- “Self-tagging”, the charges of the  $K^{*0}$  children depend on the flavour of the  $B$
- Same method as  $B^+ \rightarrow DK^+$  but cut  $B^0 \rightarrow DK^+\pi^-$  phase-space around the  $K^*(892)$  resonance
  - Interference term gains a coherence parameter coefficient
- Simultaneous measurement of
  - $D \rightarrow K^\pm\pi^\mp(\pi^+\pi^-)$
  - $D \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-(\pi^+\pi^-)$
  - $D \rightarrow K^+K^-$
- Fit interference effects to obtain 4 solutions of  $\gamma$ 
  - Solution most compatible with existing measurements is  $\gamma = (61.7 \pm 8.0)^\circ$
  - Require further input, such as  $D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^+ h^-$ , to resolve the ambiguity
- BES III input for  $\kappa_D^{K\pi}$  JHEP 05 (2021) 164
- $F_+^{4\pi}$  is averaged from BES III and LHCb Phys Rev D 106 (2022) 092004, Phys. Lett. B 747 (2015) 9



Confidence levels from the simultaneous interpretation in terms of  $\gamma, r_{B^0}^{DK^*}, \delta_{B^0}^{DK^*}$



- Most well known example is  $B^+ \rightarrow DK^+, D \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$
- $A = |\bar{A}_B| |\bar{A}_D| + |A_B| |A_D| e^{i\gamma} e^{i\Delta\delta_B} e^{i\Delta\delta_D}$  varies across the  $D$  Dalitz plane
  - Resonances overlap between favoured and suppressed  $\Rightarrow$  local asymmetries
- Binned Dalitz plane analysis  $\Rightarrow$  reduced  $\sigma_{\text{syst.}}$  with a small increase to  $\sigma_{\text{stat.}}$
- $\Rightarrow$  bin populations  $N_i^\pm = h^\pm [F_{\mp i} + (x^{\pm 2} + y^{\pm 2}) F_{\pm i} + 2\sqrt{F_i F_{-i}} (c_i x^\pm \mp s_i y^\pm)]$
- fitted to obtain
 
$$\begin{aligned} x^\pm &= r_B \cos(\Delta\delta_B \pm \gamma) \\ y^\pm &= r_B \sin(\Delta\delta_B \pm \gamma) \end{aligned}$$
- $c_i, s_i$  are fixed to CLEO-c + BES III values in the fit
- Finally  $\gamma$  can be extracted!



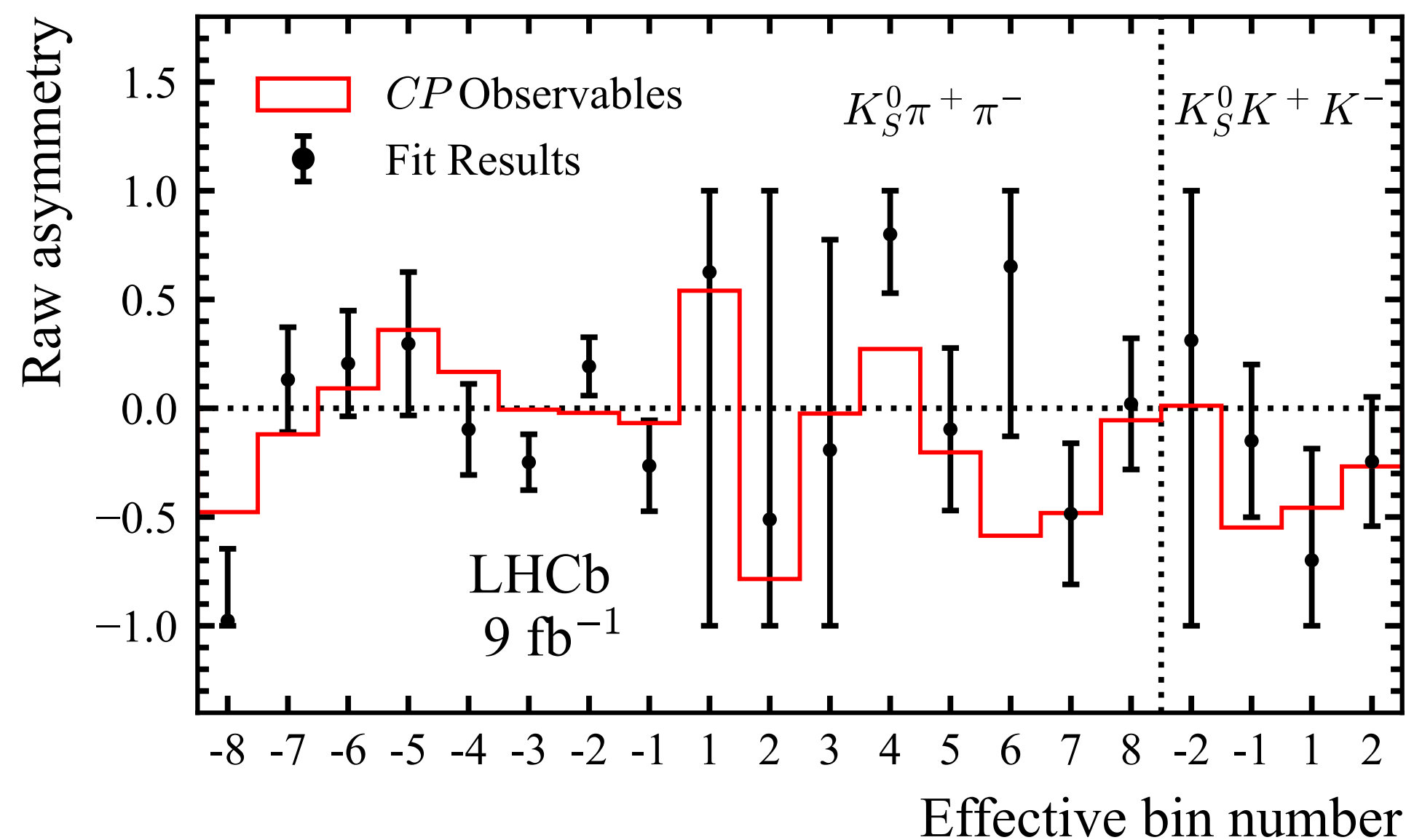
$D \rightarrow K_S^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$  Dalitz plane distribution (top) for  $B^+$  (left) and  $B^-$  (right), the optimal binning (bottom left) and the extracted Cartesian parameters (bottom right). Figures from [JHEP 02 \(2021\) 169](#)



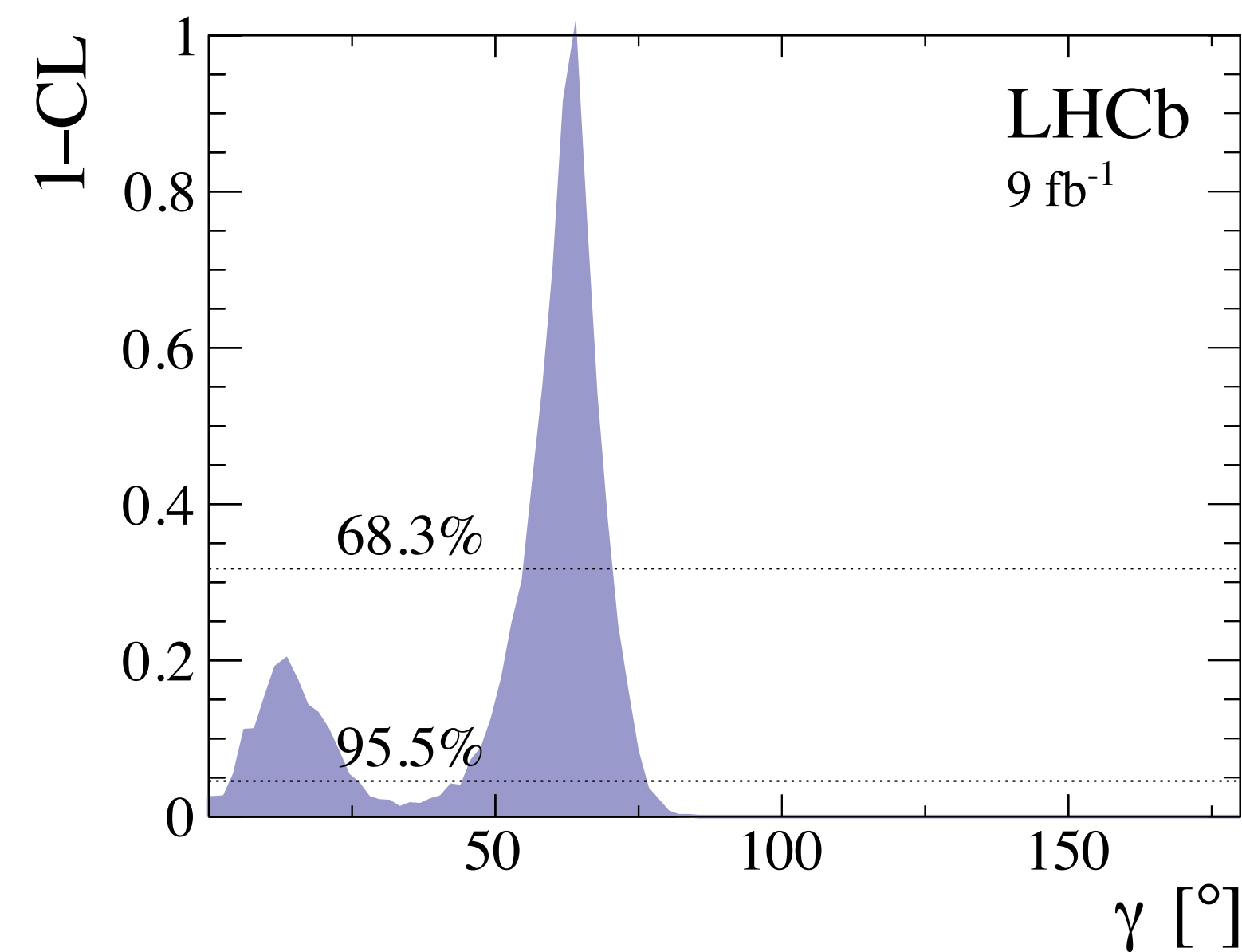
$$B^0 \rightarrow DK^{*0}, D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^+ h^-$$

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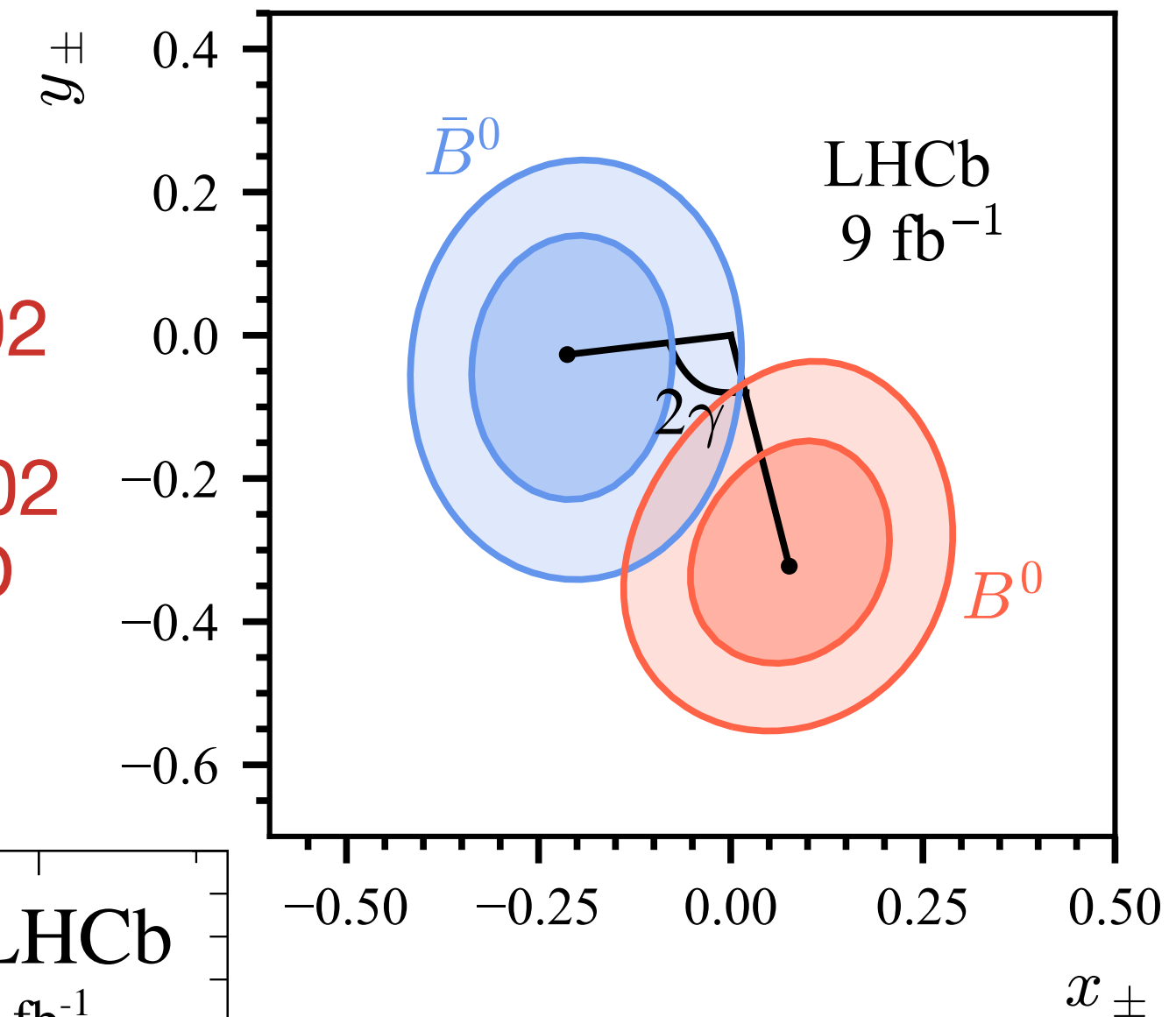
- Combination with  $D \rightarrow h^+ h'^- (\pi^+ \pi^-)$  yields  $\gamma = (63.2^{+6.9}_{-8.1})^\circ$
- Much closer to where  $B^+$  was in the previous LHCb combination! LHCb-CONF-2022-002
- Strong-phase parameters from BES III Phys. Rev. D 101, 112002 (2020), Phys. Rev. D 102 052008 (2020), Phys. Rev. Lett. 124 241802 (2020), combined with CLEO-c Phys. Rev. D 82, 112006 (2010)



Per-bin asymmetries determined by the CP fit parameters (red) and signal yields when allowed to float freely (black) with statistical uncertainties

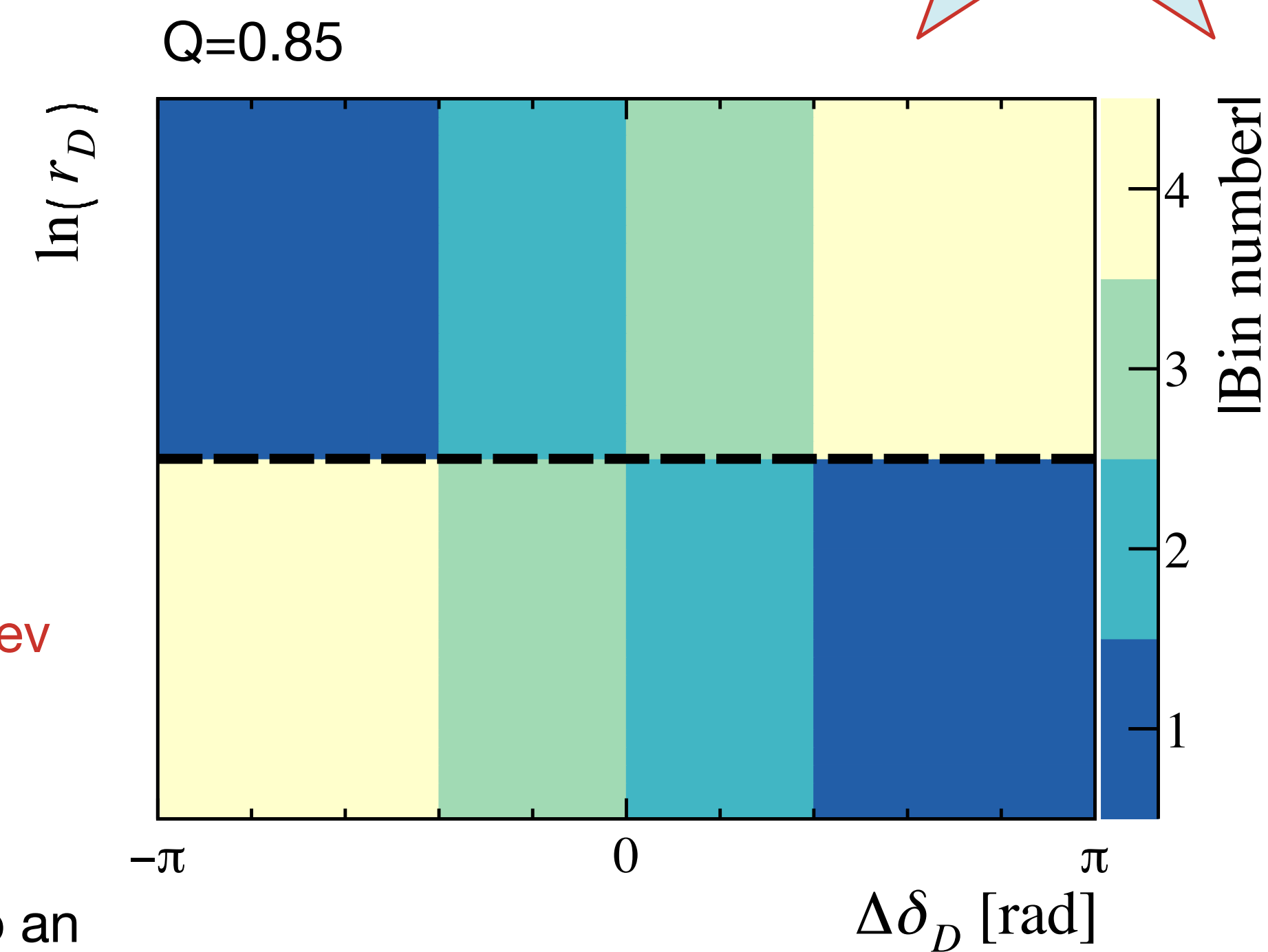


Statistical confidence regions for the measured  $x_{\pm i}, y_{\pm i}$  values (right) and the confidence level profile for an extraction of  $\gamma$  from a combination of  $D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^+ h^-$  and  $D \rightarrow hh(hh)$  (left)





- First phase-space binned model-independent  $\gamma$  measurement from
  - $D \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-, D \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$
- 5 dimensional phase-space
- Binning schemes based on amplitude models
- $D \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$  binned as a projection onto  $(\Delta\delta_D, \ln(r_D))$ 
  - $+i$  for  $\ln(r_D) < 0$ ,  $-i$  for  $\ln(r_D) > 0$ ,
  - $D \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$  hypercube model and binning from [JHEP 01 \(2018\) 144](#), [Phys Rev D 110 112008](#)
    - Binning quality  $Q \gtrsim 0.8$  (% sensitivity with respect to unbinned)
- Binning optimised according to a metric measuring the statistical sensitivity relative to an unbinned method
  - Effectively this corresponds to maximising the interference term  $2\sqrt{F_i F_{-i}}(c_i x^\pm \mp s_i y^\pm)$
  - By construction, under  $CP$   $F_i \mapsto F_{-i}, c_i \mapsto c_i, s_i \mapsto -s_i \implies$  reduce free parameters



$D \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$  binning from LHCb  
[Eur. Phys. J. C \(2023\) 83:547](#) based on  
the model from [JHEP 02 \(2019\) 126](#)



- Previous analysis of  $D \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^-$  [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2023\) 83:547](#) determined  $c_i, s_i$  from the amplitude model
- New BES III result measured them  $\implies$  now fully model independent [Phys Rev D 112 \(2025\) 012015](#)
- BES III also provides them for  $D \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$  [Phys Rev D 110 \(2024\) 112008](#)
- $F_{\pm i}$  are general to the given  $D$  decay, *assuming the same efficiency profile*,  
 $\therefore$  can use  $B^\pm \rightarrow D\pi^\pm$  as a “control” channel

Parameterise  $B^\pm \rightarrow D\pi^\pm$  according to

$$x_{D\pi}^\pm = x_\xi x_{DK}^\pm - y_\xi y_{DK}^\pm,$$

$$y_{D\pi}^\pm = x_\xi y_{DK}^\pm - y_\xi x_{DK}^\pm,$$

where

$$x_\xi = \text{Re}(\xi_{D\pi}), y_\xi = \text{Im}(\xi_{D\pi})$$

$$\xi_{D\pi} = \frac{r_B^{D\pi}}{r_B^{DK}} \exp(i[\delta_B^{D\pi} - \delta_B^{DK}])$$

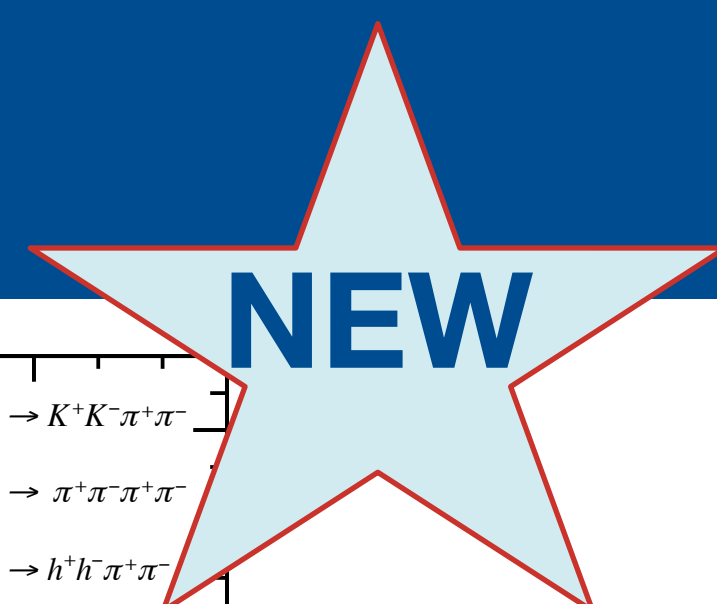
$$N_{Dh,i}^\pm = h_{Dh}^\pm [F_{\mp i} + (x_{Dh}^\pm{}^2 + y_{Dh}^\pm{}^2) F_{\pm i} + 2\sqrt{F_i F_{-i}} (c_i x_{Dh}^\pm \mp s_i y_{Dh}^\pm)]$$

We need to extract  $x_{DK}^\pm, y_{DK}^\pm, x_\xi, y_\xi$



# $B^+ \rightarrow Dh^+, D \rightarrow h'^+h'^-\pi^+\pi^-$

Preliminary  
LHCb-PAPER-2025-019



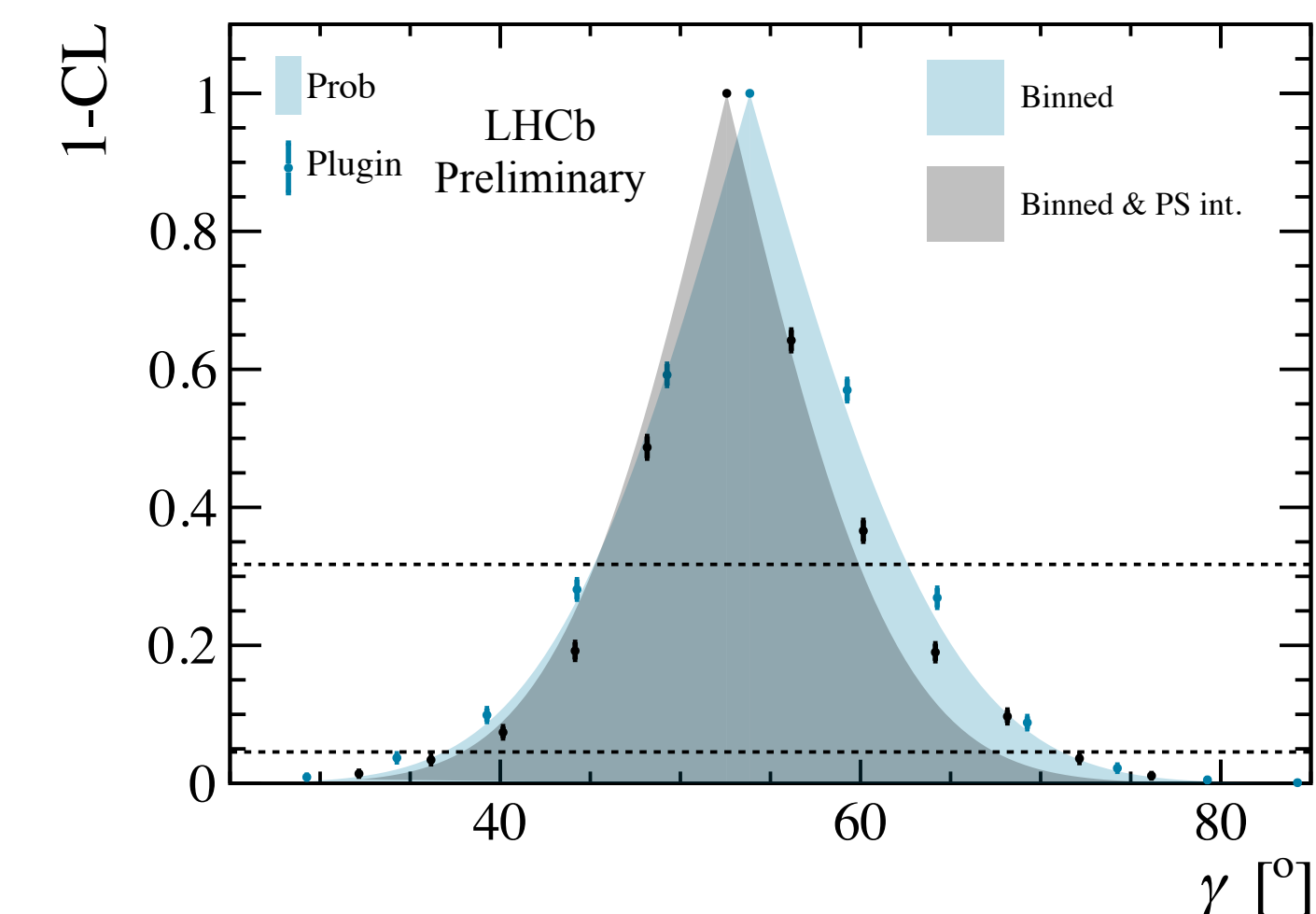
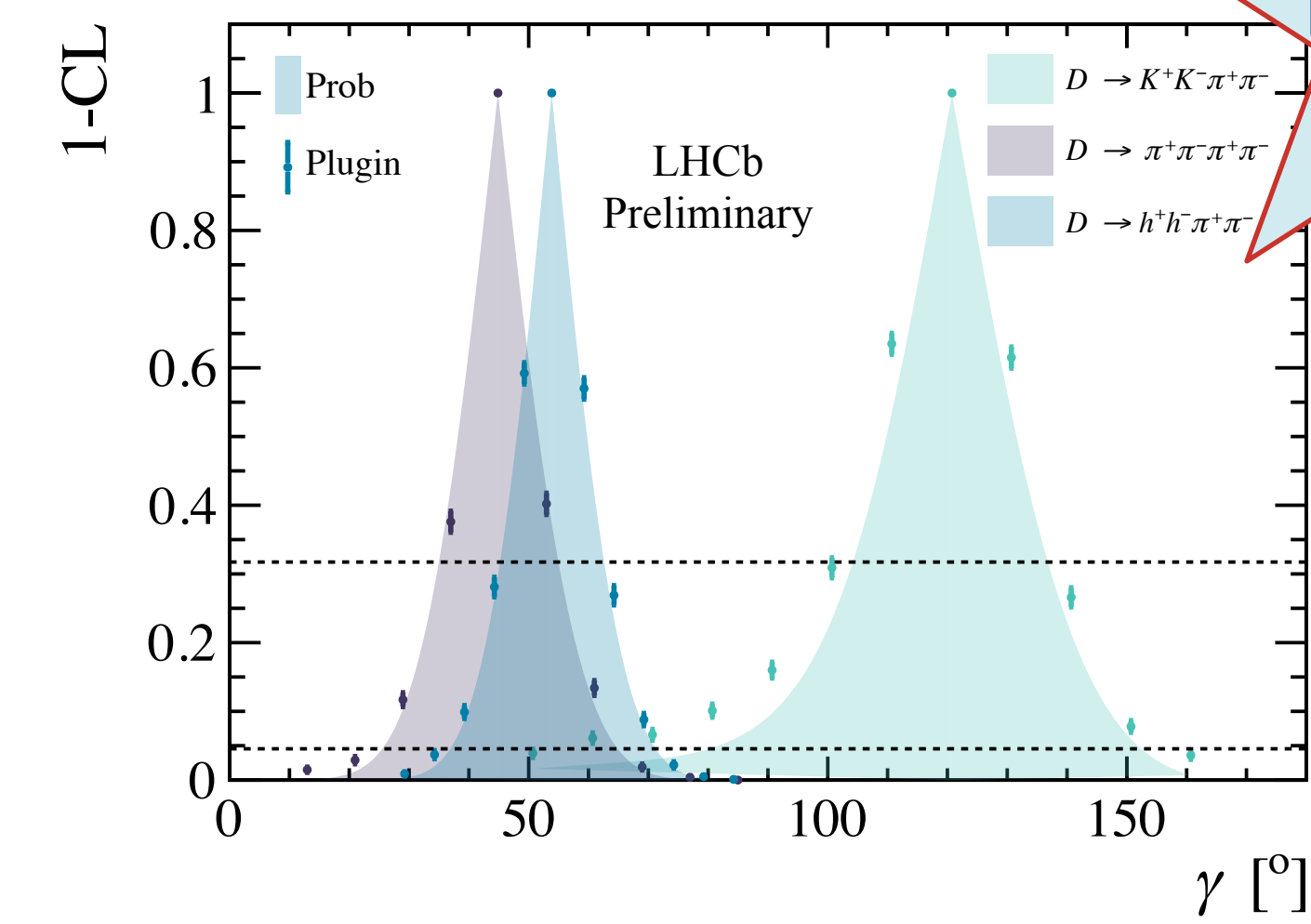
- Negligible correlation between binned LHCb-PAPER-2025-019, and integrated phase-space measurements in Eur. Phys. J. C (2023) 83:547
- Extract  $\gamma$  from these simultaneously (preliminary result)

$$\gamma = (52.6^{+8.5}_{-6.4})^\circ,$$

$$\delta_B^{DK} = (112.6^{+6.1}_{-7.8})^\circ \quad r_B^{DK} = (0.102^{+0.014}_{-0.017})$$

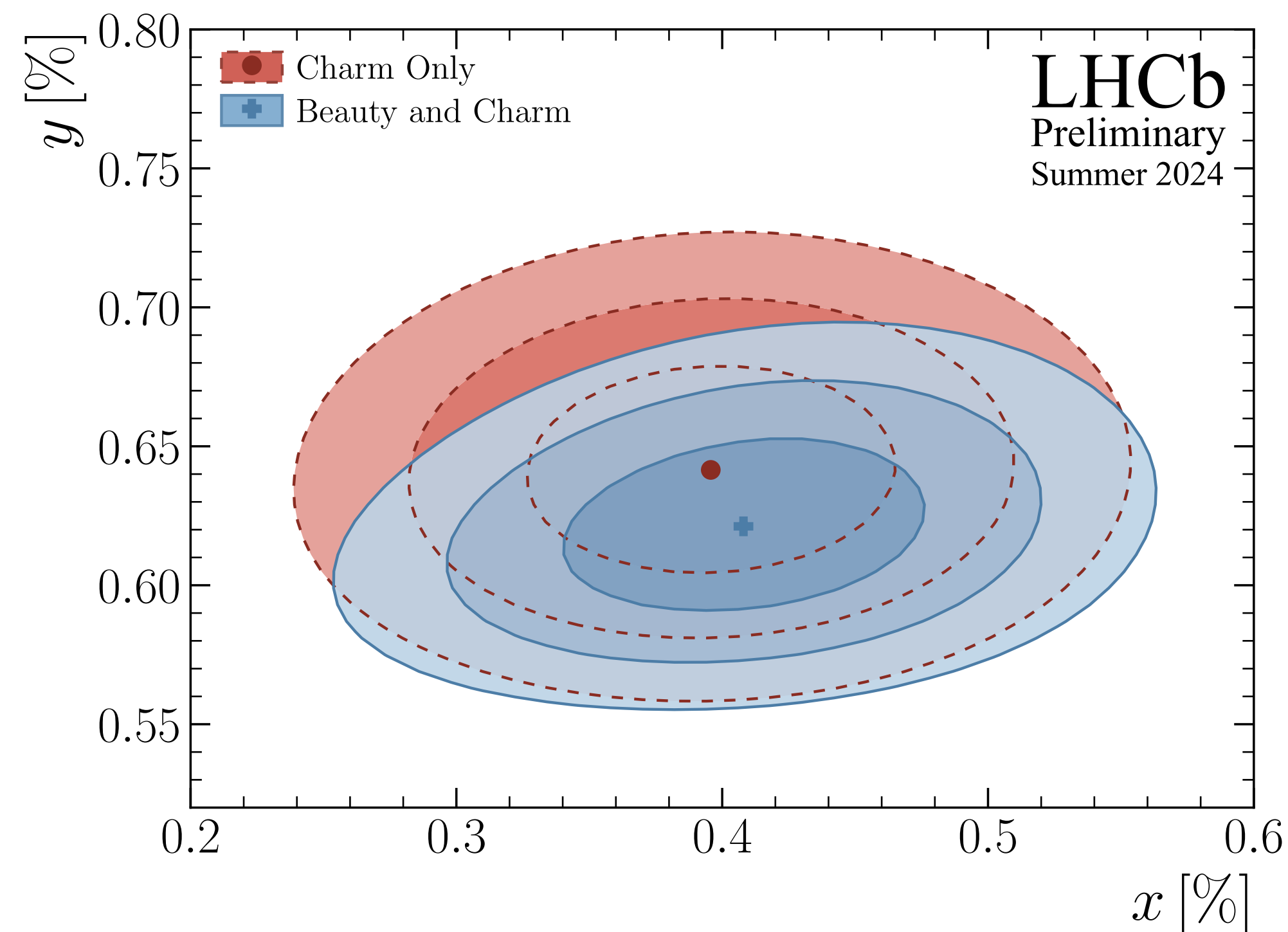
$$\delta_B^{D\pi} = (262^{+40}_{-52})^\circ \quad r_B^{D\pi} = (0.0043^{+0.0033}_{-0.0043})$$

- One of the most precise single measurements of  $\gamma$  to date!
- Statistically limited  $\implies$  Run 3 opportunities
- Leading systematics are strong-phase inputs (comparable to LHCb  $\sigma_{\text{stat.}}$ )
  - In future  $D \rightarrow K^+K^-\pi^+\pi^-$  can exploit LHCb Charm mixing measurements
  - and  $D \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$  the full BES III dataset  $\implies$  factor of 2.5 reduction in statistical uncertainties of inputs
  - Other systematics are  $\lesssim 20\%$  of LHCb  $\sigma_{\text{stat.}}$



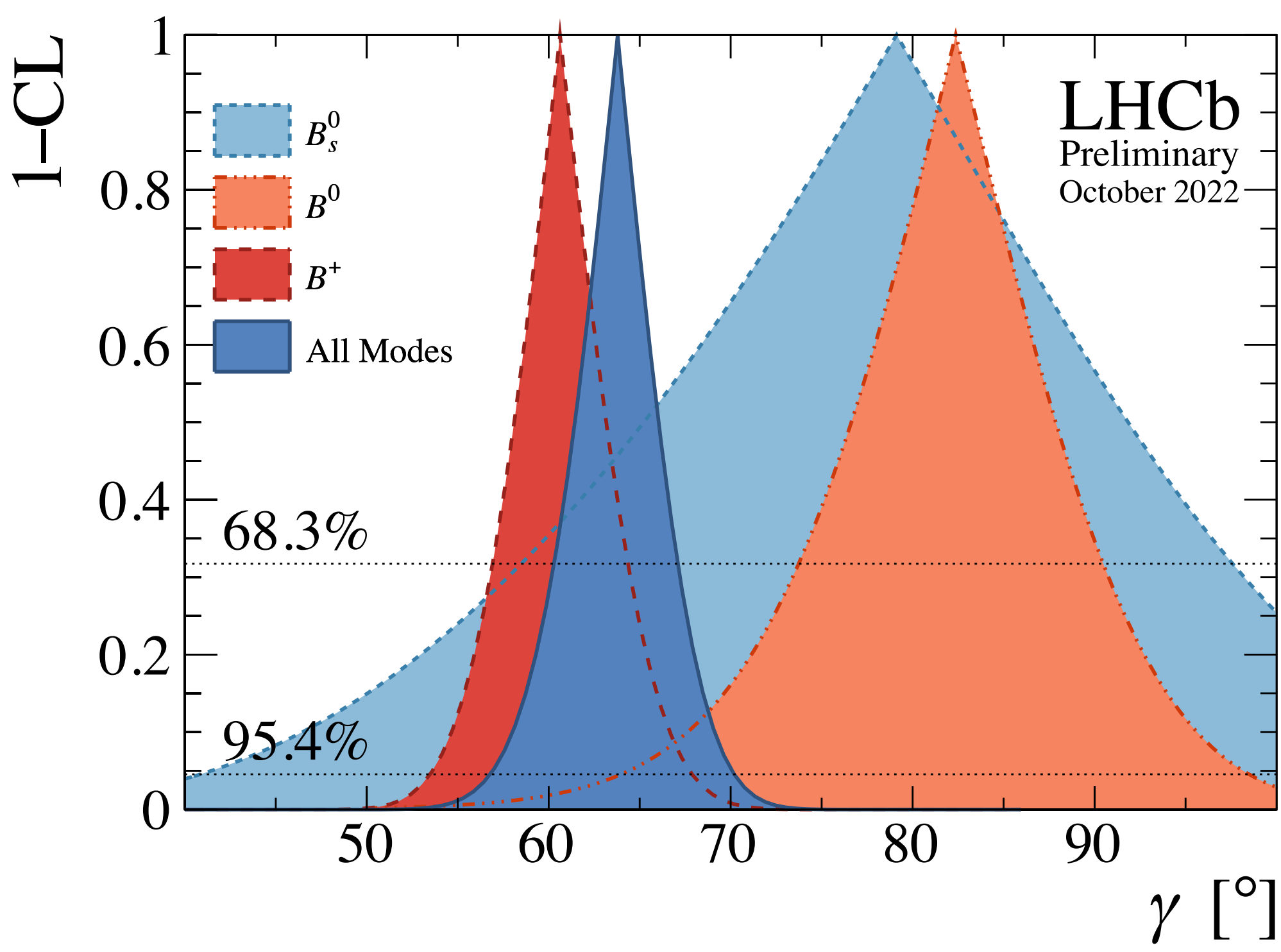
Combination of the BPGGSZ measurements (top) and the combination of these with the phase-space integrated measurement.

- Combination of:
  - 19 LHCb  $B$  decay measurements (4 new, 3 superseded)\*
  - 11 LHCb  $D$  decay measurements (1 new, 1 superseded)\*
- 27 auxiliary inputs from LHCb, HFLAV, CLEO-c and BESIII (1 new, 2 updated)\*
- Many Beauty and Charm measurements share parameters and provide complementary information
  - Detailed description of original method in 2013 [Physics Letters B 726 \(2013\) 151–163](#)
  - Added Charm in 2021 [JHEP 12 \(2021\) 141](#)
- Produces a single LHCb value for 29 physics parameters of interest (+ nuisance parameters)
- Latest update is [LHCb-CONF-2024-004](#)
  - Does not include the new  $B^+ \rightarrow DK^+$  result shown today
  - Work on an update in progress



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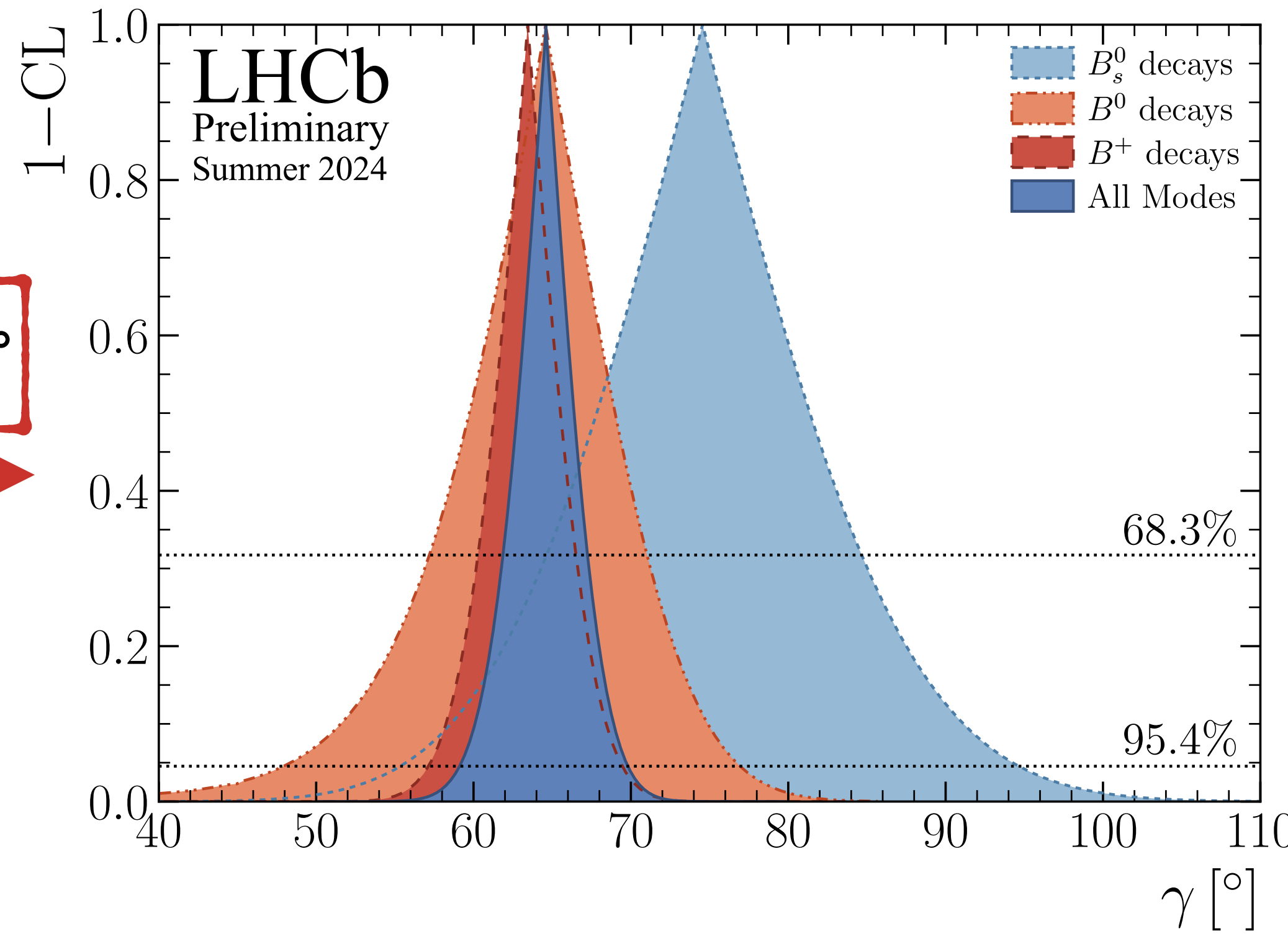
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Species	Value [°]	68.3% CL Uncertainty [°]	95.4% CL Uncertainty [°]
$B^+$	60.6	$+4.0$ $-3.8$	$+7.8$ $-7.5$
$B^0$	82.0	$+8.1$ $-8.8$	$+17$ $-18$
$B_s^0$	79	$+21$ $-24$	$+51$ $-47$
All	63.8	$+3.5$ $-3.7$	$+6.9$ $-7.5$

$\gamma = (64.6 \pm 2.8)^\circ$

LHCb-CONF-2024-004



Species	Value [°]	68.3% CL Uncertainty [°]	95.4% CL Uncertainty [°]
$B^+$	63.4	$+3.2$ $-3.3$	$+6.4$ $-6.5$
$B^0$	64.6	$+6.5$ $-7.5$	$+12$ $-17$
$B_s^0$	75	$+10$ $-11$	$\pm 20$
All	64.6	$\pm 2.8$	$+5.5$ $-5.7$



- First Belle (II) combination of  $\gamma$  measurements
- Combination of:
  - $B^+ \rightarrow DK^+, B^+ \rightarrow D\pi^+, B^+ \rightarrow D^*K^+$  results
  - 7 measurements in total
- Much to be gained from future Belle II measurements

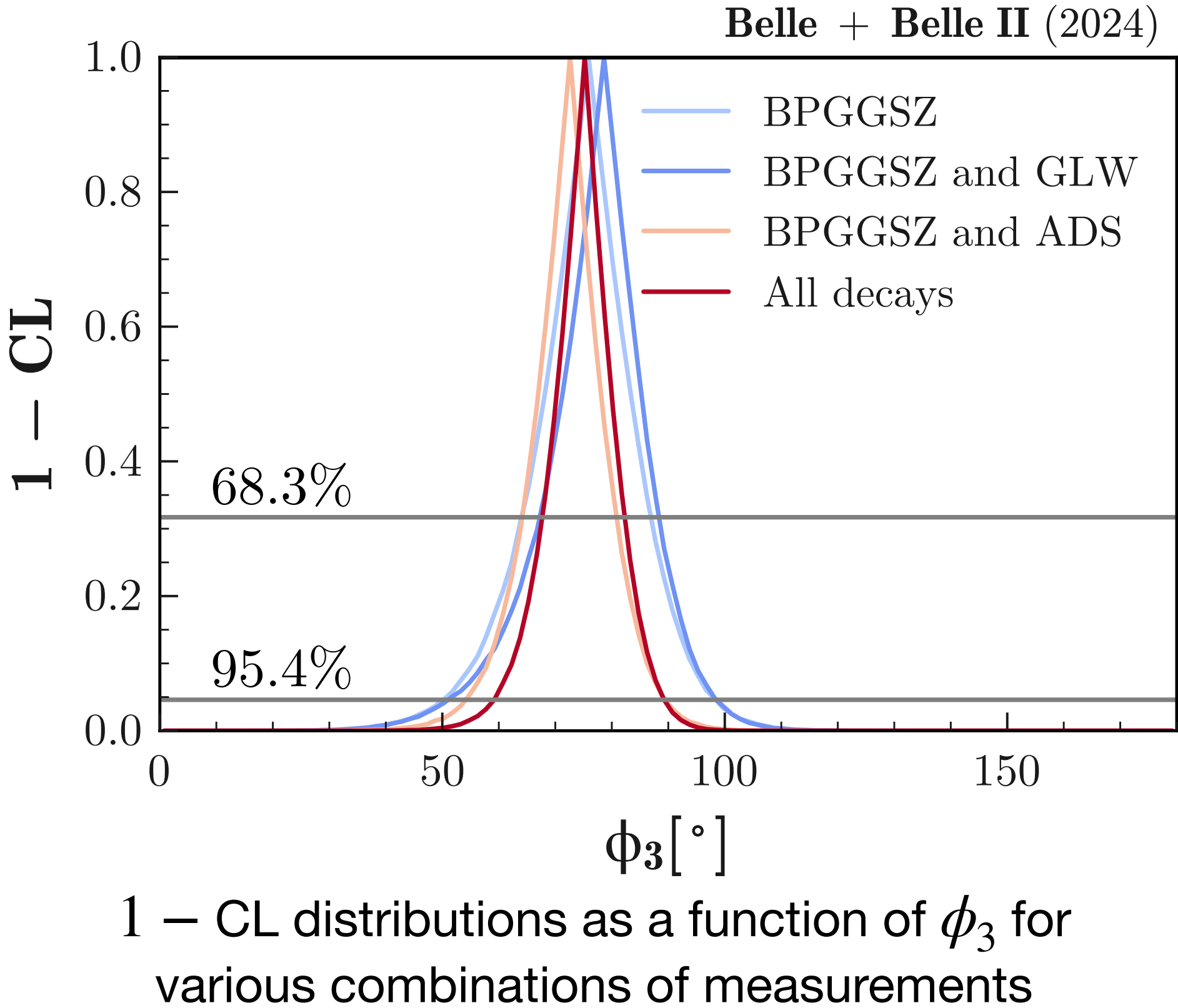
<i>B</i> decay	<i>D</i> decay	Method	Data set (Belle + Belle II)[ fb <sup>-1</sup> ]	
$B^+ \rightarrow Dh^+$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^0, K^-K^+$	GLW	711 + 189	JHEP 05 (2024) 212
$B^+ \rightarrow Dh^+$	$D \rightarrow K^+\pi^-, K^+\pi^-\pi^0$	ADS	711 + 0	Phys Rev D 88 (2013) 091104, Phys Rev Lett 106 231803
$B^+ \rightarrow Dh^+$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0K^-\pi^+$	GLS	711 + 362	JHEP 09 (2023) 146
$B^+ \rightarrow Dh^+$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0h^-h^+$	BPGGSZ (m.i.)	711 + 128	JHEP 02 (2022) 063
$B^+ \rightarrow Dh^+$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^-\pi^+\pi^0$	BPGGSZ (m.i.)	711 + 0	JHEP 10 (2019) 178
$B^+ \rightarrow D^*K^+$	$D^* \rightarrow D\pi^0, D \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^0, K_S^0\phi, K_S^0\omega, K^-K^+, \pi^-\pi^+$	GLW	210+0	Phys Rev D 73 (2006) 051106
$B^+ \rightarrow D^*K^+$	$D^* \rightarrow D\pi^0, D\gamma, D \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^-\pi^+$	BPGGSZ (m.d.)	605 + 0	Phys Rev D 81 (2010) 112002

- 14 auxiliary input parameters from PDG, HFLAV, CLEO-c, BES III, LHCb
- Provides a single value of  $\gamma$ ,  $r_B^{DK}$ ,  $\delta_B^{DK}$ ,  $r_B^{D\pi}$ ,  $\delta_B^{D\pi}$ ,  $r_B^{D^*K}$ ,  $\delta_B^{D^*K}$  from Belle and Belle II
- Better sensitivity than expected [arxiv:2207.06307](#), may be a statistical effect...

Parameters	$\phi_3(^{\circ})$	$r_B^{DK}$	$\delta_B^{DK}(^{\circ})$
Best-fit value	75.2	0.115	137.8
68.3% interval	[67.7, 82.3]	[0.102, 0.127]	[128.0, 146.3]
95.4% interval	[59, 89]	[0.089, 0.138]	[116, 154]
$r_B^{D\pi}$	$\delta_B^{D\pi}(^{\circ})$	$r_B^{D^*K}$	$\delta_B^{D^*K}(^{\circ})$
0.0165	347.0	0.229	342
[0.0113, 0.0220]	[337.4, 355.7]	[0.162, 0.297]	[326, 356]
[0.006, 0.027]	[322, 366]	[0.10, 0.37]	[306, 371]

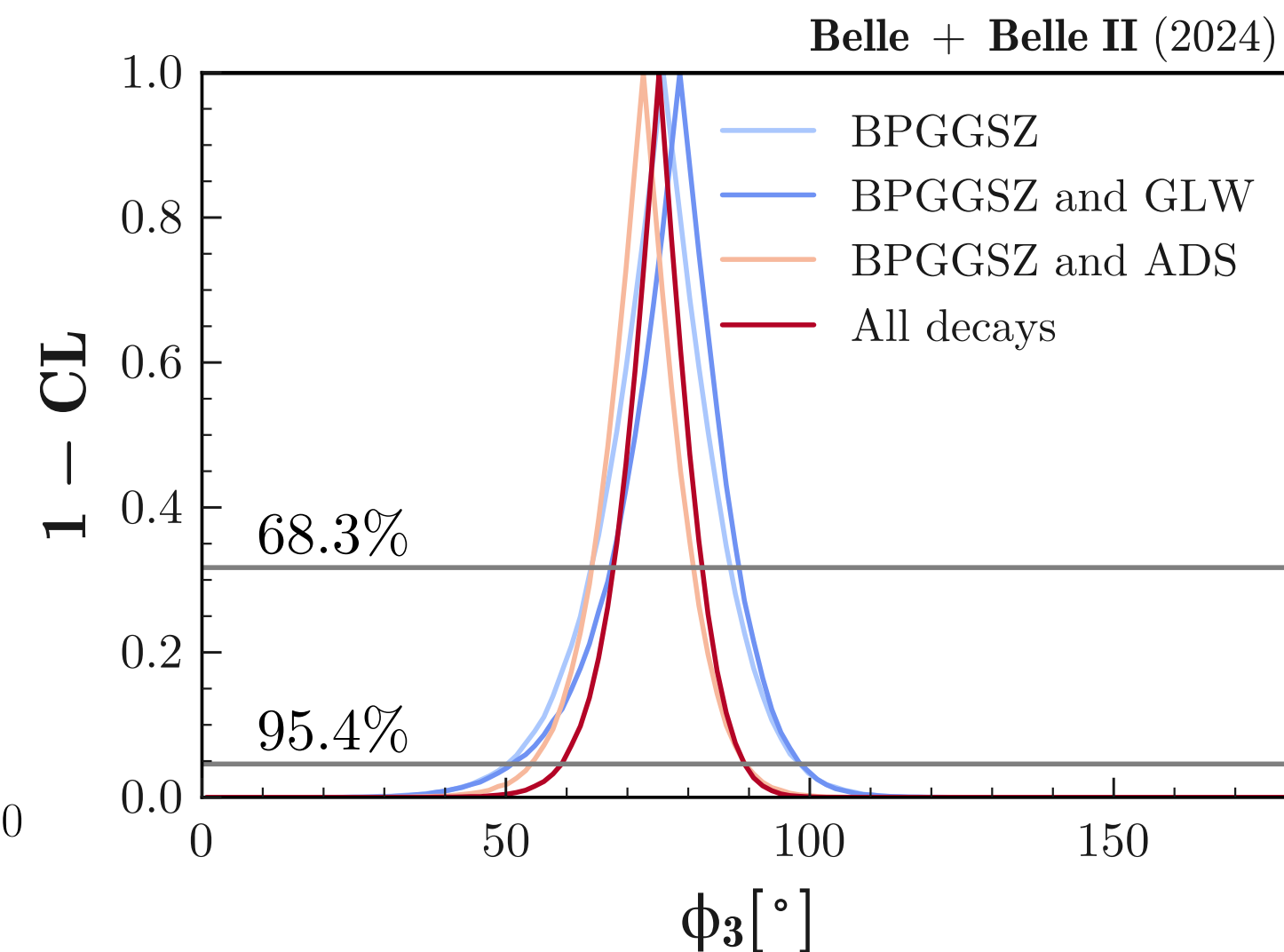
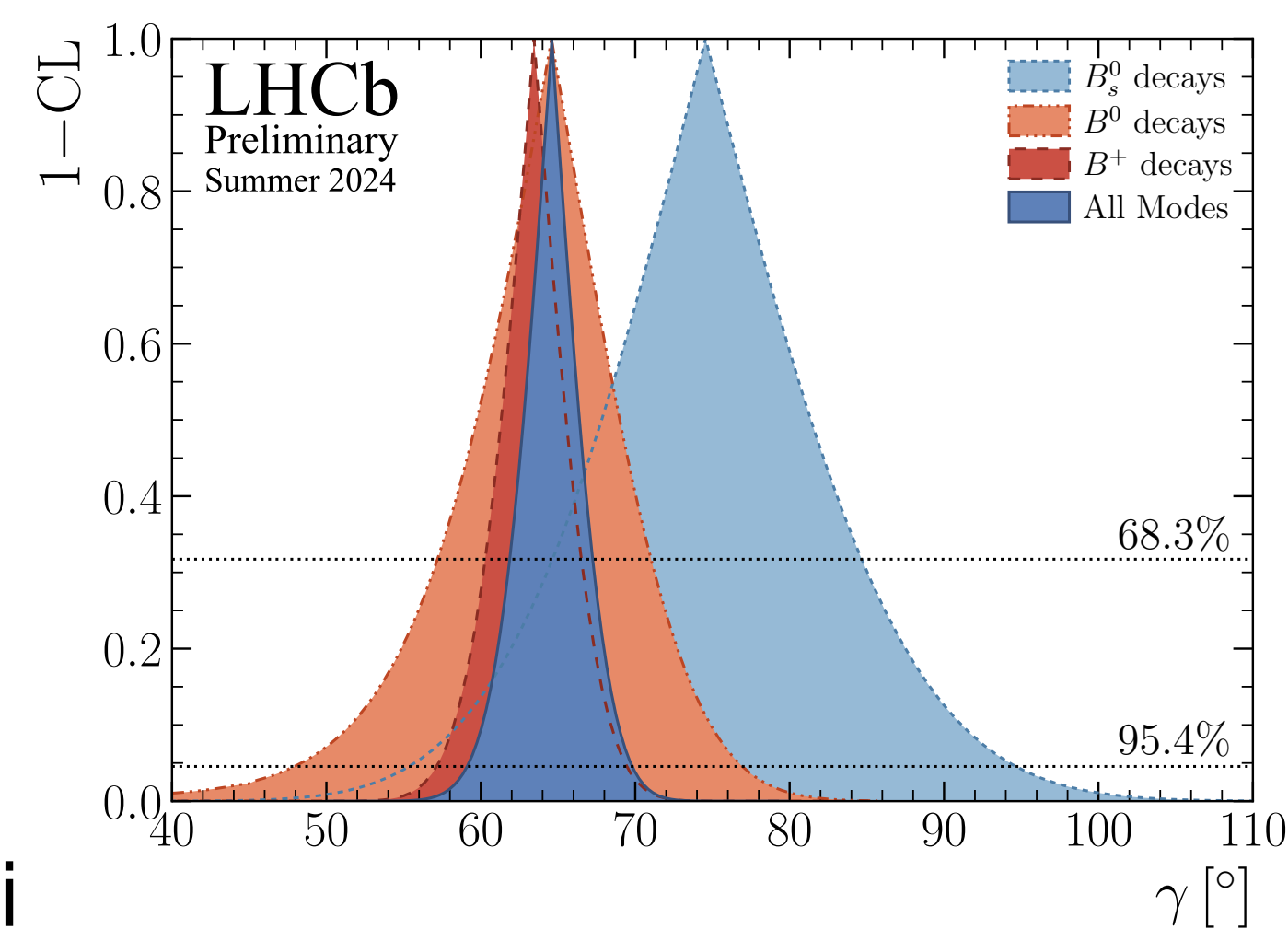
Combination results: best-fit values and 68.3% and 95.4% confidence intervals

$$\gamma = (75.2^{+7.1}_{-7.5})^{\circ}$$



# Summary

- LHCb and Belle II pushing down the direct uncertainty on  $\gamma$  in a complementary way
- Both experiments now perform our own dedicated combinations for  $\gamma$
- Still pushing our datasets as far as we can
  - Statistically limited - future measurements will be even better!
- BES III inputs are vital to achieve this performance
  - Uncertainty will be greatly reduced once the full dataset is exploited  $\implies$  should not be a limiting factor
- Thanks to all the proponents of these analyses
- Thanks for listening!



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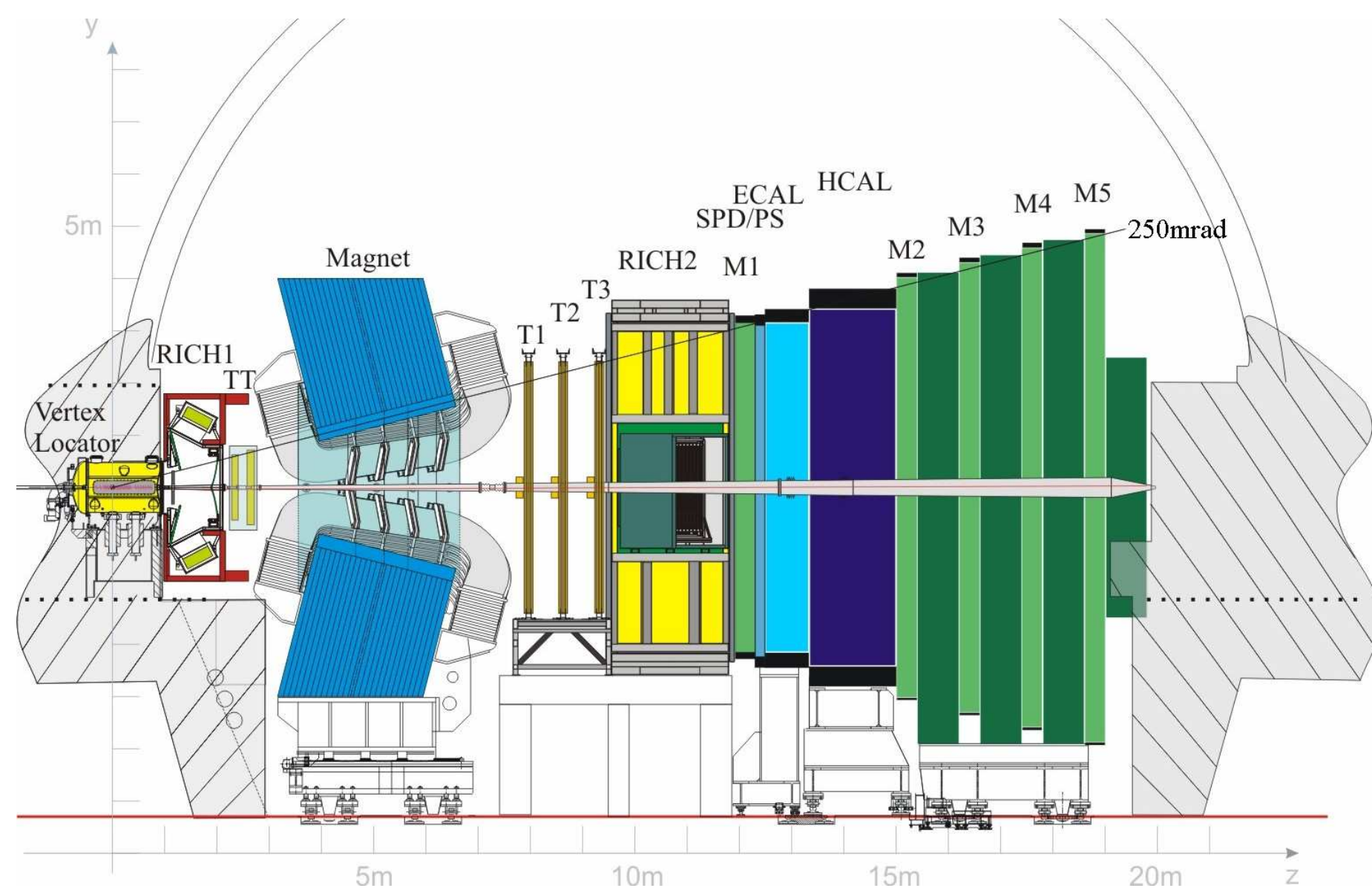
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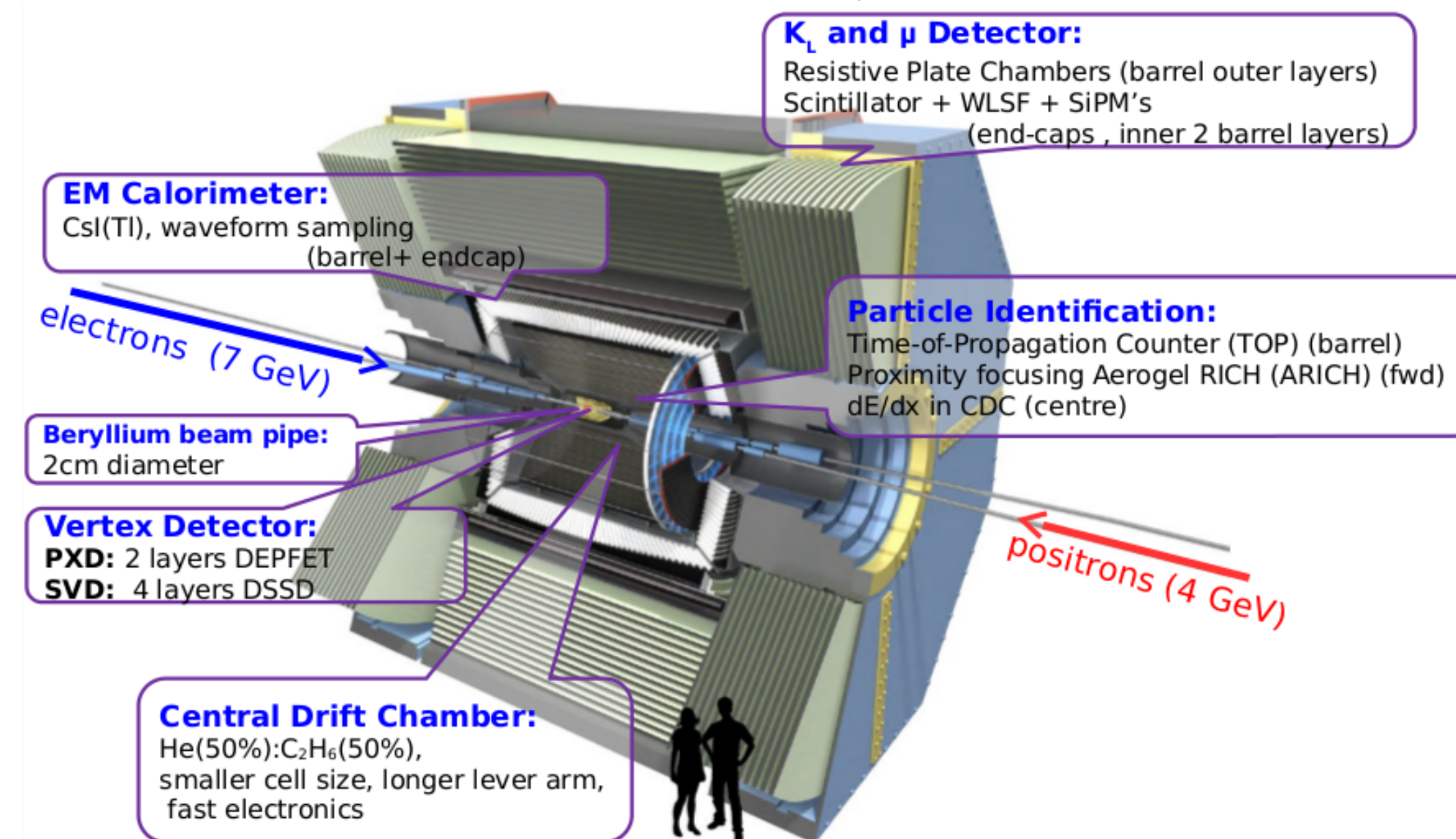
Backup

## Complementary experiments for measurements of $\gamma$



Schematic of the Run 1/2 LHCb detector [2008 JINST 3 S08005](#),  
[Int. J. Mod. Phys. A 30, 1530022 \(2015\)](#)

- $pp$  collisions, high production cross-section and boost
- Coverage only in the forward region
- Run 1+2:  $9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Run 3: higher integrated luminosity and hadron efficiency



Schematic of the Belle II detector

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(4S)$  collisions, clean environment
- $4\pi$  coverage
- Good at reconstructing neutrals
- Belle:  $711 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\Upsilon(4S)$
- Belle II:  $510 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\Upsilon(4S)$ , more currently on the way

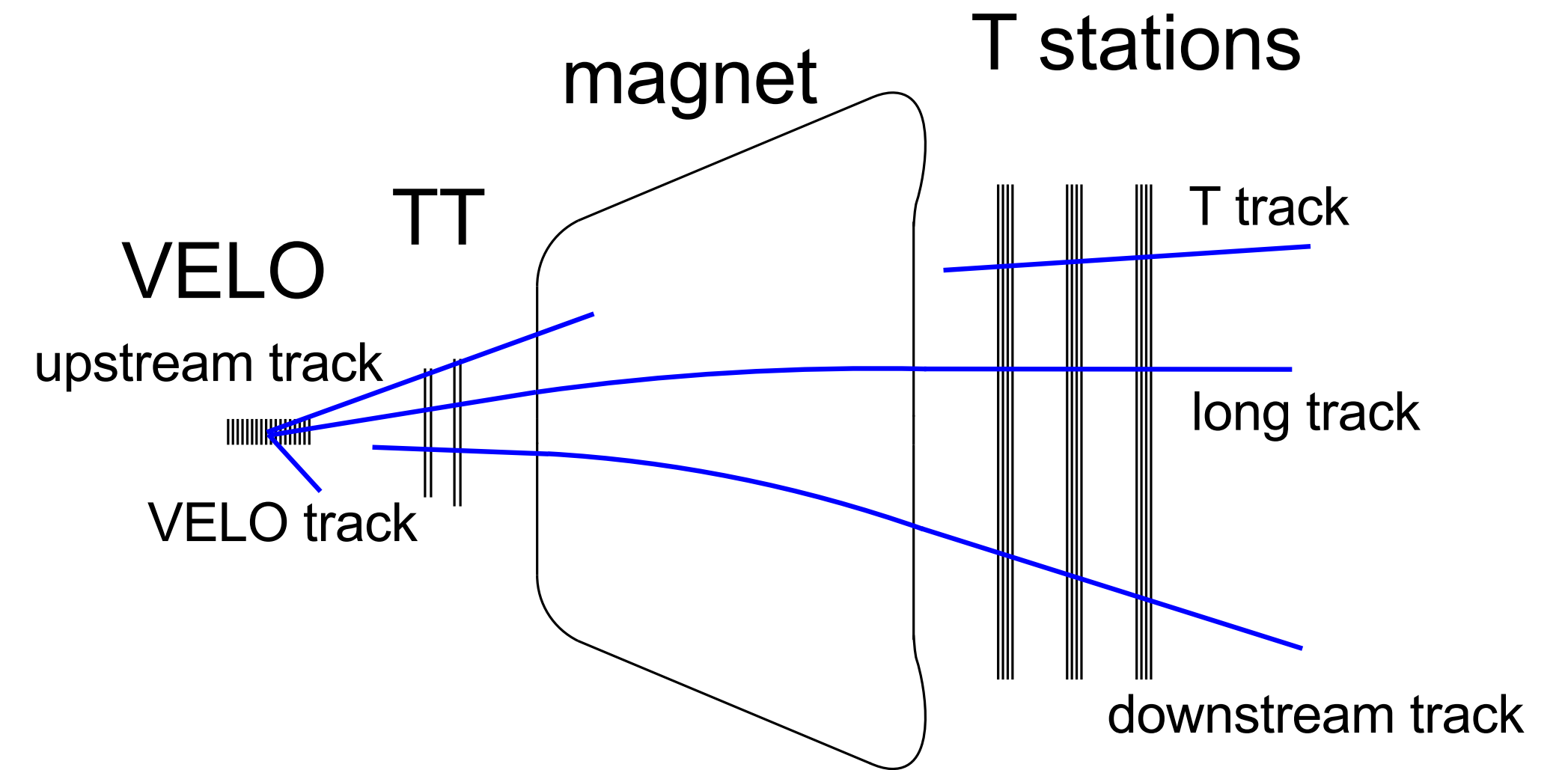
# $\gamma$ sensitive $B$ decays

- $D \implies$  admixture of  $D^0$  and  $\bar{D}^0$
- $B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm(\pi^+\pi^-)$  (New result today)
- $B^\pm \rightarrow D^*h^\pm$ , where the  $D^*$  is partially reconstructed due to a missing  $\pi^0/\gamma$
- $B^\pm \rightarrow DK^{*\pm}, K^{*\pm} \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^\pm \implies$  lower efficiency from extra  $K_S^0$  reconstruction
- $B^0 \rightarrow DK^{*0}$ , “self tagging”
- |  |  |
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| $B^0 \rightarrow D^\mp\pi^\pm, D^- \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\pi^-$            | $\left. \vphantom{\begin{matrix} B^0 \rightarrow D^\mp\pi^\pm, D^- \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\pi^- \\ B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^\mp K^\pm(h^+h^-), D_s^- \rightarrow h^-h^+\pi^- \end{matrix}} \right\} \begin{matrix} \text{Time} \\ \text{dependent} \end{matrix} \implies \begin{matrix} \text{Flavour} \\ \text{tagging} \end{matrix}$ |
| $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^\mp K^\pm(h^+h^-), D_s^- \rightarrow h^-h^+\pi^-$ |  |
- Detailed summary available in the LHCb Beauty+Charm combination [LHCb-CONF-2024-004](#)

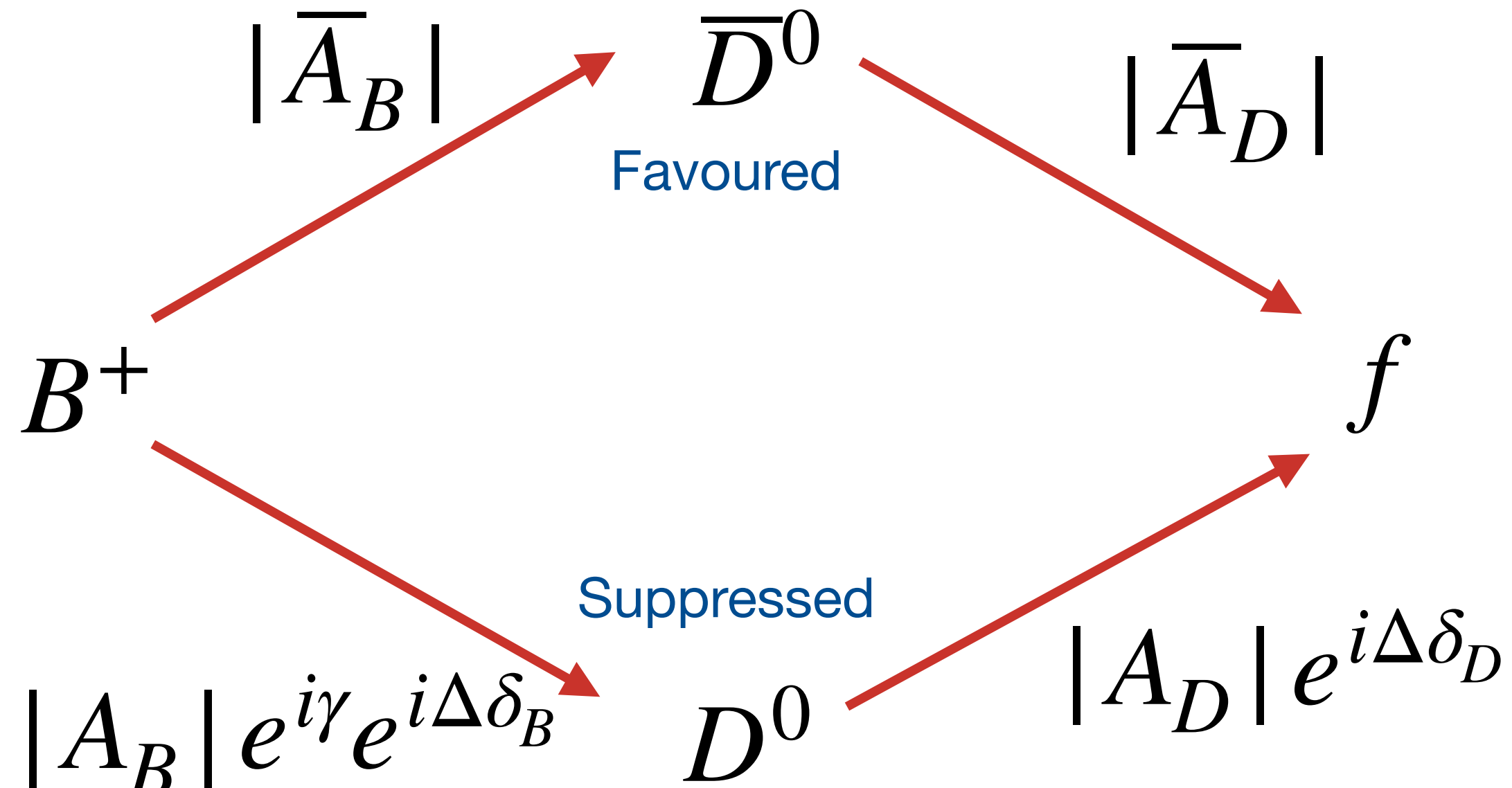


# $K_S^0$ at LHCb

- For  $K_S^0$  it's necessary to distinguish between those reconstructed with  $\pi$  tracks in different sub-detectors
  - Long-Long (LL) have hits in each tracking sub-detector
  - Down-Down (DD) are not seen in the VErtextLOcator (VELO)  $\implies$  slightly worse resolution



# Time-integrated $\gamma$ measurements



Sketch of the favoured and suppressed paths for a  $B^+ \rightarrow DX, D \rightarrow f$  decay

- Can't tell which flavour  $D$  in each event
- Interference between  $b \rightarrow c$  and  $b \rightarrow u$  transitions
- Squared amplitude depends on  $\Delta\delta_B \pm \gamma$  for  $B^\pm$   
 $\implies$  asymmetries  $\frac{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow f) - \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow f)}{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow f)}$
- Compare  $B^\pm$  amplitudes to extract  $\gamma$

# $\gamma$ from 2 and 4-body $D$ decays

- For any  $D$  final state can measure the charge asymmetry

- $$\frac{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow f) - \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow f)}{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow f)}$$
“Difference in peak heights”

- For 2-body modes can also measure ratios such as

- $$\frac{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow \bar{D}X, \bar{D} \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow DX, D \rightarrow f)}{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow DX, D \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}X, \bar{D} \rightarrow f)}$$
for  $D \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\mp$   $\sim$  sup./fav.

- $$\frac{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP}X) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP}X)}{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow DX) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow DX)}$$
for  $CP$ -even modes,  $D \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$  and  $D \rightarrow K^+ K^-$

- These extend fairly simply to 4-body modes, multiply interference terms by

- $D \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$ :  $CP$ -even fraction

- $D \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\mp \pi^+ \pi^-$ : coherence factor - to account for resonances

- The same for  $B^0$  decays



$$Y_\pi(B^\pm \rightarrow D_X K^\pm) = \frac{1}{2}[1 \mp \mathcal{A}(B \rightarrow D_X K)] N(B \rightarrow D_X \pi) R_X \delta(1 - \varepsilon_\pm), \quad (4.1)$$

$$Y_K(B^\pm \rightarrow D_X K^\pm) = \frac{1}{2}[1 \mp \mathcal{A}(B \rightarrow D_X K)] N(B \rightarrow D_X \pi) R_X \delta \varepsilon_\pm, \quad (4.2)$$

$$Y_\pi(B^\pm \rightarrow D_X \pi^\pm) = \frac{1}{2}[1 \mp \mathcal{A}(B \rightarrow D_X \pi)] N(B \rightarrow D_X \pi) (1 - \kappa_\pm), \quad (4.3)$$

$$Y_K(B^\pm \rightarrow D_X \pi^\pm) = \frac{1}{2}[1 \mp \mathcal{A}(B \rightarrow D_X \pi)] N(B \rightarrow D_X \pi) \kappa_\pm, \quad (4.4)$$

We measure  $CP$  asymmetries,

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP\pm} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^-) - \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^+)}, \tag{1.1}$$

and the ratio of branching fractions for decays in which the  $D$  is reconstructed as a  $CP$  eigenstate and decays in which the  $D$  is reconstructed in a flavor-specific state:

$$\mathcal{R}_{CP\pm} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^+)}{(\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{\text{flav}}K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}_{\text{flav}}K^+))/2}. \tag{1.2}$$

This ratio can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{R}_{CP\pm} \approx \frac{R_{CP\pm}}{R_{\text{flav}}}, \tag{1.3}$$

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where

$$R_{CP\pm} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}K^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}\pi^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{CP\pm}\pi^+)}, \tag{1.4}$$

and

$$R_{\text{flav}} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{\text{flav}}K^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}_{\text{flav}}K^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_{\text{flav}}\pi^-) + \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \bar{D}_{\text{flav}}\pi^+)}. \tag{1.5}$$

# BPGGSZ Parameter Definitions

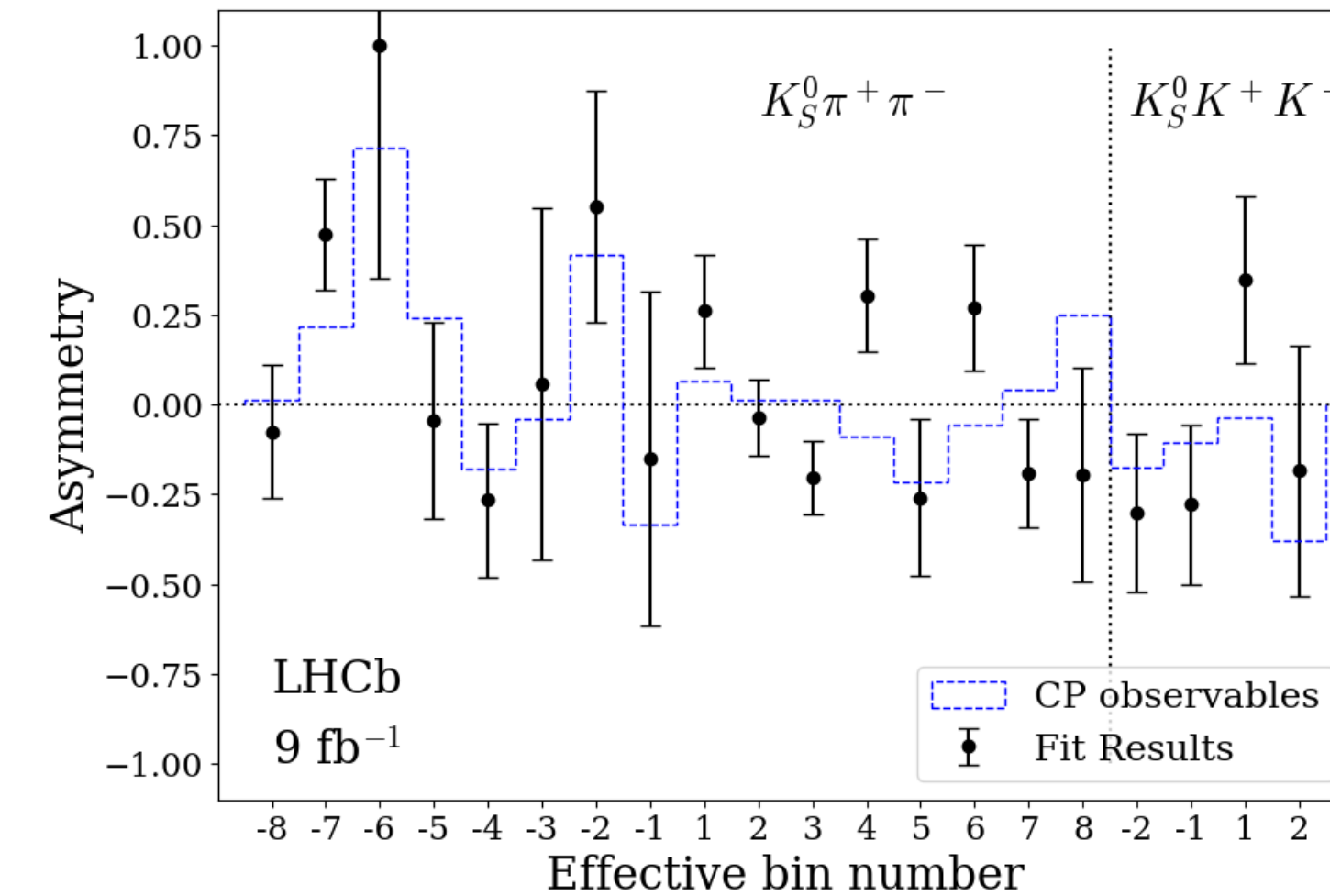
- $F_i = \frac{\int_i d\Phi \eta(\Phi) |A_{D^0}|^2}{\int d\Phi \eta(\Phi) |A_{D^0}|^2}$
- $c_i = \frac{\int_i d\Phi |A_{D^0}| |A_{\bar{D}^0}| \cos(\Delta\delta_D)}{\sqrt{\int_i d\Phi |A_{D^0}|^2 \int_i d\Phi |A_{\bar{D}^0}|^2}}$
- $s_i = \frac{\int_i d\Phi |A_{D^0}| |A_{\bar{D}^0}| \sin(\Delta\delta_D)}{\sqrt{\int_i d\Phi |A_{D^0}|^2 \int_i d\Phi |A_{\bar{D}^0}|^2}}$
- Where
  - $\Phi$  is the 5-dimensional phase-space coordinate
  - $\eta(\Phi)$  is the detection efficiency profile



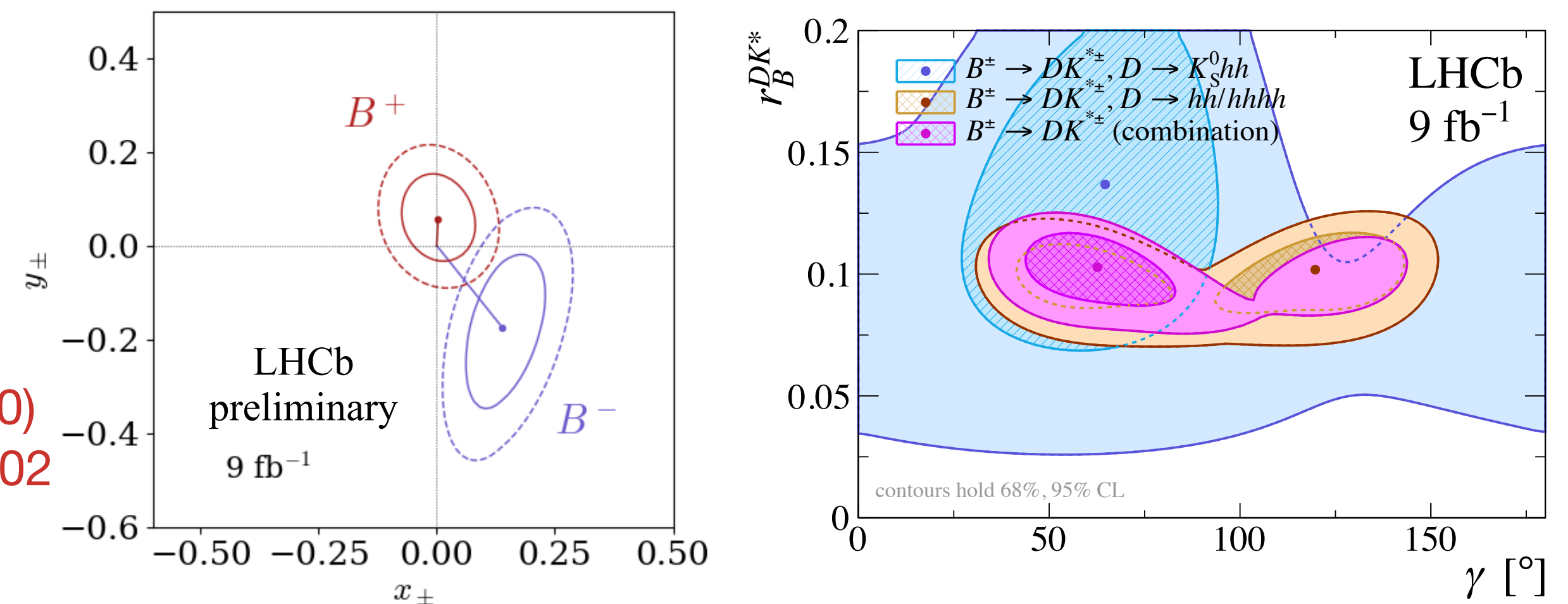
# Separate $\gamma$ results for $B^+ \rightarrow Dh^+, D \rightarrow h'^+h'^-\pi^+\pi^-$

- Phase-space binned  $\gamma = (53.9^{+9.5}_{-8.9})^\circ$  [LHCb-PAPER-2025-019](#)
- Phase-space integrated  $\gamma = (116^{+12}_{-14})^\circ$  [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2023\) 83:547](#)

- Simultaneous measurement of  $\gamma$  using
  - $D \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\mp (\pi^+ \pi^-)$
  - $D \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- (\pi^+ \pi^-)$
  - $D \rightarrow K^+ K^-$
  - $D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^+ h^-$
- First time for  $B^\pm \rightarrow DK^{*\pm}, D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^+ h^-$
- First observation of the doubly Cabibbo suppressed  $B^\pm \rightarrow DK^{*\pm}, D \rightarrow \pi^\pm K^\mp (\pi^+ \pi^-)$
- Interpretation in terms of  $\gamma$  yields  $\gamma = (63 \pm 13)^\circ$
- $F_+^{4\pi}$  input from BES III [Phys Rev D 106 \(2022\) 092004](#)
- $c_i, s_i$  for  $D \rightarrow K_S^0 h^+ h^-$  combined from CLEO-c [Phys Rev D 82 \(2010\) 112006](#) and BES III [Phys. Rev. D 101 \(2020\) 112002](#), [Phys. Rev. D 102 \(2020\) 052008](#)
- $r_D^{K3\pi}, \delta_D^{K3\pi}, \kappa^{K3\pi}$  from a combination of LHCb, CLEO-c and BES III measurements [JHEP 05 \(2021\) 164](#)

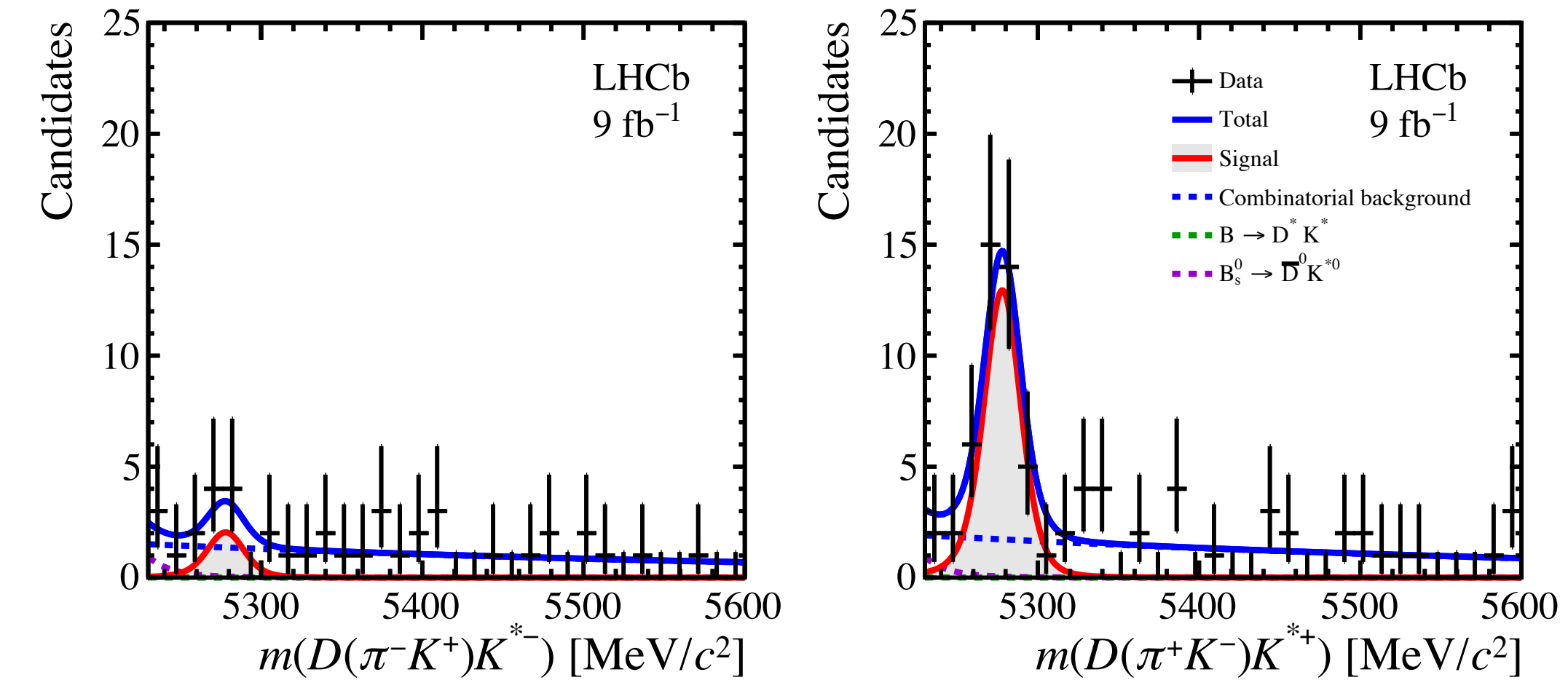


Per-bin asymmetries determined by the CP fit parameters (red) and signal yields when allowed to float freely (black) with statistical uncertainties

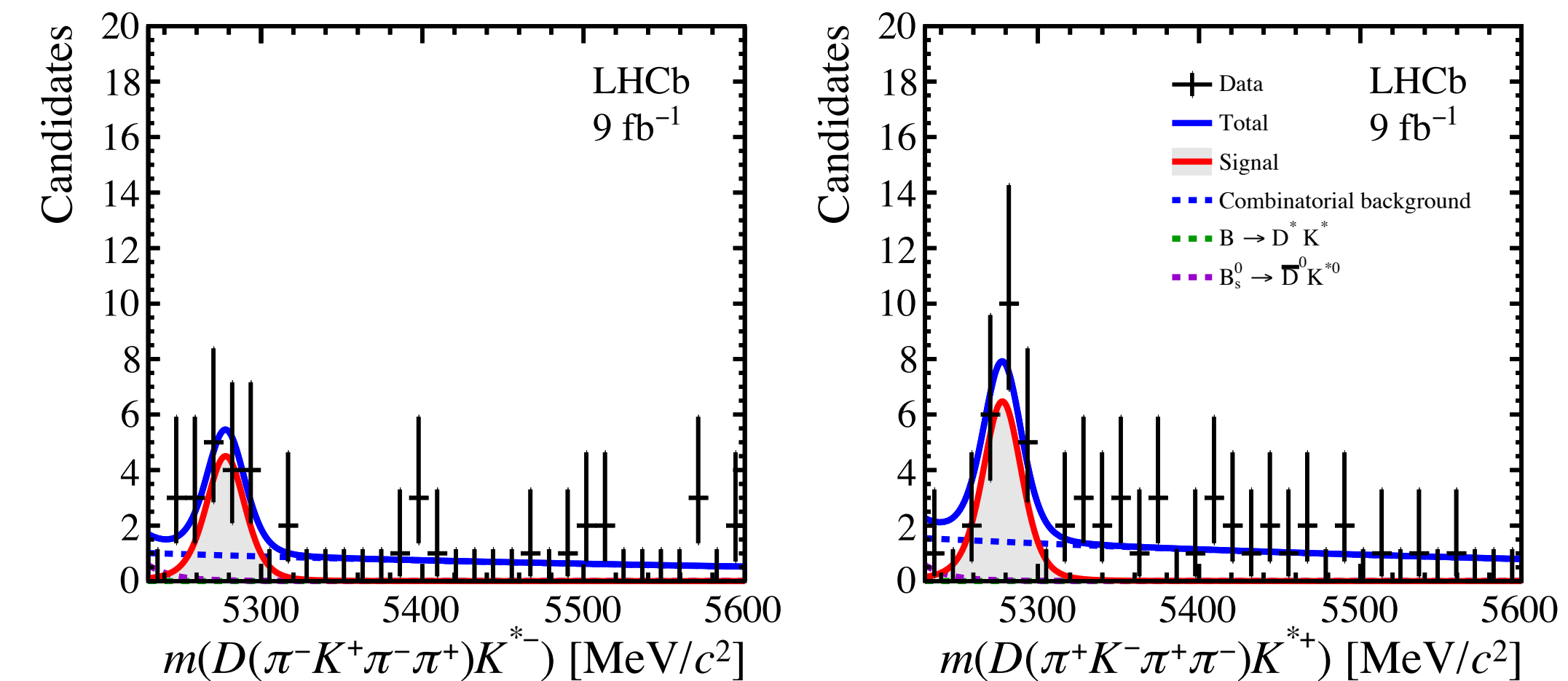


Statistical confidence regions for the measured  $x_\pm, y_\pm$  values (left) and the contours for the extraction of  $r_B^{DK^*}$  and  $\gamma$  (right)

- First observation of the doubly Cabibbo suppressed  $B^\pm \rightarrow DK^{*\pm}, D \rightarrow \pi^\pm K^\mp (\pi^+ \pi^-)$
- Amplitudes for favoured modes are of the form
  - $A^2 \propto 1 + r_B^2 r_D^2 + 2r_B r_D I$
  - $r_B, r_D < 1$
- Suppressed modes suffer from low statistics
  - But their amplitudes allow for large interference effects
  - $A^2 \propto r_D^2 + r_B^2 + 2r_B r_D I$
- We need more data!



CP-mass fit result for suppressed  $B^\pm \rightarrow DK^{*\pm}, D \rightarrow \pi^\pm K^\mp$



CP-mass fit result for suppressed  $B^\pm \rightarrow DK^{*\pm}, D \rightarrow \pi^\pm K^\mp \pi^+ \pi^-$



<i>B</i> decay	<i>D</i> decay	Ref.	Dataset	Status since Ref. [13]
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow h^+h'^-$	[32]	Run 1&2	<i>As before</i>
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow h^+h^-\pi^+\pi^-$	[19]	Run 1&2	<b>New</b>
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow K^\pm\pi^\mp\pi^+\pi^-$	[33]	Run 1&2	<i>As before</i>
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow h^+h'^-\pi^0$	[34]	Run 1&2	<i>As before</i>
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0h^+h^-$	[35]	Run 1&2	<i>As before</i>
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0K^\pm\pi^\mp$	[36]	Run 1&2	<i>As before</i>
$B^\pm \rightarrow D^*h^\pm$	$D \rightarrow h^+h'^- \text{ (PR)}$	[32]	Run 1&2	<i>As before</i>
$B^\pm \rightarrow D^*h^\pm$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0h^+h^- \text{ (PR)}$	[20]	Run 1&2	<b>New</b>
$B^\pm \rightarrow D^*h^\pm$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0h^+h^- \text{ (FR)}$	[21]	Run 1&2	<b>New</b>
$B^\pm \rightarrow DK^{*\pm}$	$D \rightarrow h^+h'^-$	[22]	Run 1&2	<b>Updated</b>
$B^\pm \rightarrow DK^{*\pm}$	$D \rightarrow h^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$	[22]	Run 1&2	<b>Updated</b>
$B^\pm \rightarrow DK^{*\pm}$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0h^+h^-$	[22]	Run 1&2	<b>New</b>
$B^\pm \rightarrow Dh^\pm\pi^+\pi^-$	$D \rightarrow h^+h'^-$	[37]	Run 1	<i>As before</i>
$B^0 \rightarrow DK^{*0}$	$D \rightarrow h^+h'^-$	[23]	Run 1&2	<b>Updated</b>
$B^0 \rightarrow DK^{*0}$	$D \rightarrow h^+\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-$	[23]	Run 1&2	<b>Updated</b>
$B^0 \rightarrow DK^{*0}$	$D \rightarrow K_S^0h^+h^-$	[24]	Run 1&2	<b>Updated</b>
$B^0 \rightarrow D^\mp\pi^\pm$	$D^+ \rightarrow K^-\pi^+\pi^+$	[38]	Run 1	<i>As before</i>
$B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^\mp K^\pm$	$D_s^+ \rightarrow h^+h^-\pi^+$	[25, 39]	Run 1&2	<b>Updated</b>
$B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^\mp K^\pm\pi^+\pi^-$	$D_s^+ \rightarrow h^+h^-\pi^+$	[40]	Run 1&2	<i>As before</i>

<i>D</i> decay	Observable(s)	Ref.	Dataset	Status since Ref. [13]
$D^0 \rightarrow h^+h^-$	$\Delta A_{CP}$	[41–43]	Run 1&2	<i>As before</i>
$D^0 \rightarrow K^+K^-$	$A_{CP}(K^+K^-)$	[43–45]	Run 2	<i>As before</i>
$D^0 \rightarrow h^+h^-$	$y_{CP} - y_{CP}^{K^-\pi^+}$	[46, 47]	Run 1&2	<i>As before</i>
$D^0 \rightarrow h^+h^-$	$\Delta Y$	[48–51]	Run 1&2	<i>As before</i>
$D^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^- \text{ (double tag)}$	$R^\pm, (x'^\pm)^2, y'^\pm$	[52]	Run 1	<i>As before</i>
$D^0 \rightarrow K^+\pi^- \text{ (single tag)}$	$R_{K\pi}, A_{K\pi}, c_{K\pi}^{(\prime)}, \Delta c_{K\pi}^{(\prime)}$	[27, 53]	Run 1&2	<b>Updated</b>
$D^0 \rightarrow K^\pm\pi^\mp\pi^+\pi^-$	$(x^2 + y^2)/4$	[54]	Run 1	<i>As before</i>
$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^+\pi^-$	$x, y$	[55]	Run 1	<i>As before</i>
$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^+\pi^-$	$x_{CP}, y_{CP}, \Delta x, \Delta y$	[56]	Run 1	<i>As before</i>
$D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^+\pi^-$	$x_{CP}, y_{CP}, \Delta x, \Delta y$	[57, 58]	Run 2	<i>As before</i>
$D^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	$\Delta Y^{\text{eff}}$	[26]	Run 2	<b>New</b>

## Charm measurements in the combination

## Beauty measurements in the combination

Decay	Parameters	Source	Ref.	Status since Ref. [13]
$B^\pm \rightarrow DK^{*\pm}$	$\kappa_{B^\pm}^{DK^{*\pm}}$	LHCb	[59]	<i>As before</i>
$B^0 \rightarrow DK^{*0}$	$\kappa_{B^0}^{DK^{*0}}$	LHCb	[60]	<i>As before</i>
$B^0 \rightarrow D^\mp \pi^\pm$	$\beta$	HFLAV	[14]	<b>Updated</b>
$B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^\mp K^\pm (\pi\pi)$	$\phi_s$	LHCb	[61]	<b>Updated</b>
$D \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$	$\cos \delta_D^{K\pi}, \sin \delta_D^{K\pi}, (r_D^{K\pi})^2, x^2, y$	CLEO-c	[62]	<i>As before</i>
$D \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$	$A_{K\pi}, A_{K\pi\pi^0}^{\pi\pi\pi^0}, r_D^{K\pi} \cos \delta_D^{K\pi}, r_D^{K\pi} \sin \delta_D^{K\pi}$	BESIII	[63]	<i>As before</i>
$D \rightarrow h^+ h^- \pi^0$	$F_{\pi\pi\pi^0}^+, F_{KK\pi^0}^+$	CLEO-c	[64]	<i>As before</i>
$D \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$	$F_{4\pi}^+$	CLEO-c+BESIII	[64, 65]	<i>As before</i>
$D \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^-$	$F_{KK\pi\pi}^+$	BESIII	[66]	<b>New</b>
$D \rightarrow K^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	$r_D^{K\pi\pi^0}, \delta_D^{K\pi\pi^0}, \kappa_D^{K\pi\pi^0}$	CLEO-c+LHCb+BESIII	[67–69]	<i>As before</i>
$D \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^\mp \pi^+ \pi^-$	$r_D^{K3\pi}, \delta_D^{K3\pi}, \kappa_D^{K3\pi}$	CLEO-c+LHCb+BESIII	[54, 67–69]	<i>As before</i>
$D \rightarrow K_S^0 K^\pm \pi^\mp$	$r_D^{K_S^0 K\pi}, \delta_D^{K_S^0 K\pi}, \kappa_D^{K_S^0 K\pi}$	CLEO	[70]	<i>As before</i>
$D \rightarrow K_S^0 K^\pm \pi^\mp$	$r_D^{K_S^0 K\pi}$	LHCb	[71]	<i>As before</i>

Auxiliary inputs to the combination

Quantity	Value	68.3% CL		95.4% CL	
		Uncertainty	Interval	Uncertainty	Interval
$\gamma[^\circ]$	64.6	$\pm 2.8$	[61.8, 67.4]	$^{+5.5}_{-5.7}$	[58.9, 70.1]
$r_{B^\pm}^{DK^\pm} [\%]$	9.73	$^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$	[9.53, 9.94]	$^{+0.42}_{-0.40}$	[9.33, 10.15]
$\delta_{B^\pm}^{DK^\pm} [^\circ]$	127.4	$^{+2.8}_{-3.0}$	[124.4, 130.2]	$^{+5.6}_{-6.2}$	[121.2, 133.0]
$r_{B^\pm}^{D\pi^\pm} [\%]$	0.49	$^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$	[0.44, 0.55]	$^{+0.12}_{-0.10}$	[0.39, 0.61]
$\delta_{B^\pm}^{D\pi^\pm} [^\circ]$	292	$^{+10}_{-11}$	[281, 301]	$^{+19}_{-22}$	[269, 310]
$r_{B^\pm}^{D^* K^\pm} [\%]$	10.6	$\pm 1.0$	[9.6, 11.6]	$\pm 2.0$	[8.6, 12.6]
$\delta_{B^\pm}^{D^* K^\pm} [^\circ]$	312	$^{+6}_{-7}$	[304, 318]	$^{+12}_{-16}$	[296, 324]
$r_{B^\pm}^{D^* \pi^\pm} [\%]$	0.74	$^{+0.41}_{-0.32}$	[0.42, 1.15]	$^{+0.87}_{-0.62}$	[0.12, 1.61]
$\delta_{B^\pm}^{D^* \pi^\pm} [^\circ]$	37	$^{+39}_{-20}$	[17, 76]	$^{+94}_{-31}$	[6, 131]
$r_{B^\pm}^{DK^{*\pm}} [\%]$	10.6	$^{+0.9}_{-1.0}$	[9.6, 11.5]	$^{+1.7}_{-2.0}$	[8.6, 12.3]
$\delta_{B^\pm}^{DK^{*\pm}} [^\circ]$	49	$^{+14}_{-11}$	[38, 63]	$^{+30}_{-23}$	[26, 79]
$r_{B^0}^{DK^{*0}} [\%]$	23.4	$^{+1.5}_{-1.6}$	[21.8, 24.9]	$^{+2.9}_{-3.3}$	[20.1, 26.3]
$\delta_{B^0}^{DK^{*0}} [^\circ]$	192	$\pm 6$	[186, 198]	$^{+13}_{-12}$	[180, 205]
$r_{B^0}^{D_s^\mp K^\pm} [\%]$	33.3	$^{+3.7}_{-3.5}$	[29.8, 37.0]	$^{+7.5}_{-7.1}$	[26.2, 40.8]
$\delta_{B^0}^{D_s^\mp K^\pm} [^\circ]$	349	$\pm 6$	[343, 355]	$\pm 12$	[337, 361]
$r_{B^0}^{D_s^\mp K^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-} [\%]$	46	$\pm 8$	[37, 54]	$^{+16}_{-17}$	[29, 62]
$\delta_{B^0}^{D_s^\mp K^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-} [^\circ]$	345	$^{+13}_{-12}$	[333, 358]	$^{+26}_{-25}$	[320, 371]
$r_{B^0}^{D^\mp \pi^\pm} [\%]$	3.0	$^{+1.3}_{-1.2}$	[1.8, 4.3]	$^{+3.1}_{-2.7}$	[0.3, 6.1]
$\delta_{B^0}^{D^\mp \pi^\pm} [^\circ]$	30	$^{+25}_{-36}$	[−6, 55]	$^{+45}_{-77}$	[−47, 75]
$r_{B^\pm}^{DK^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-} [\%]$	8.0	$^{+2.7}_{-3.3}$	[4.7, 10.7]	$^{+4.9}_{-8.0}$	[0.0, 12.9]*
$r_{B^\pm}^{D\pi^\pm \pi^+ \pi^-} [\%]$	6.2	$^{+2.2}_{-3.0}$	[3.2, 8.4]	$^{+3.7}_{-6.2}$	[0.0, 9.9]*
$x[\%]$	0.41	$\pm 0.05$	[0.36, 0.45]	$\pm 0.09$	[0.31, 0.50]
$y[\%]$	0.621	$^{+0.022}_{-0.021}$	[0.600, 0.643]	$^{+0.044}_{-0.042}$	[0.579, 0.665]
$r_D^{K\pi} [\%]$	5.855	$^{+0.010}_{-0.009}$	[5.846, 5.865]	$^{+0.020}_{-0.019}$	[5.836, 5.875]
$\delta_D^{K\pi} [^\circ]$	191.6	$^{+2.5}_{-2.4}$	[189.2, 194.1]	$^{+4.9}_{-5.1}$	[186.5, 196.5]
$ q/p $	0.989	$\pm 0.015$	[0.974, 1.004]	$^{+0.031}_{-0.030}$	[0.959, 1.020]
$\phi[^\circ]$	−2.5	$\pm 1.2$	[−3.7, −1.3]	$\pm 2.5$	[−5.0, 0.0]
$a_{K^+ K^-}^d [\%]$	0.06	$^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$	[0.01, 0.12]	$\pm 0.11$	[−0.05, 0.17]
$a_{\pi^+ \pi^-}^d [\%]$	0.22	$\pm 0.06$	[0.16, 0.28]	$\pm 0.12$	[0.10, 0.34]
$a_{K^+ \pi^-}^d [\%]$	−0.60	$^{+0.27}_{-0.26}$	[−0.86, −0.33]	$^{+0.53}_{-0.54}$	[−1.14, −0.07]

Combination results for Beauty and Charm parameters of interest



- Some small tension between time dependent and time integrated measurements
- Clearly need to push harder on time dependent analyses to get this uncertainty down

