
$$B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu(\gamma)$$

At LHCb

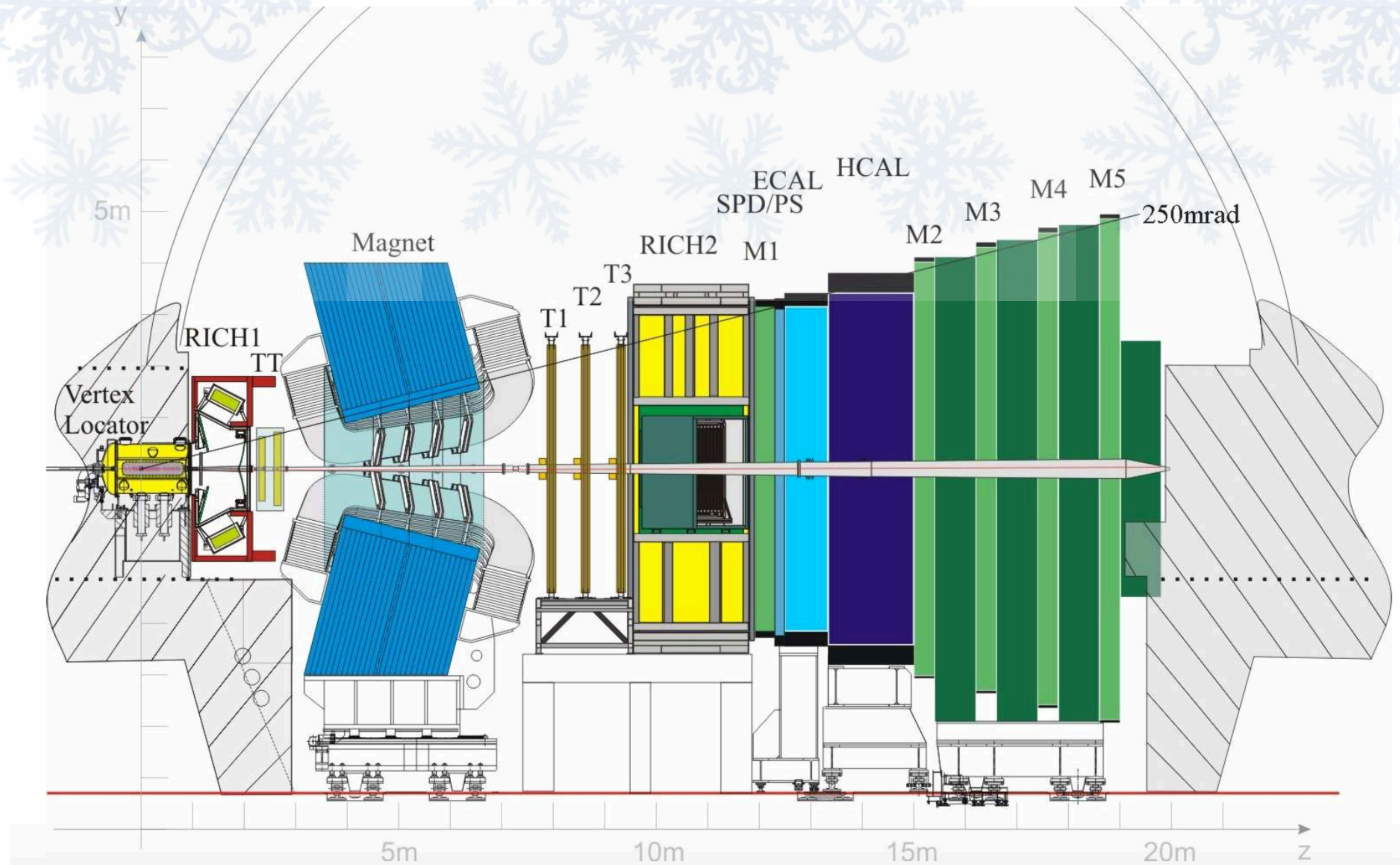
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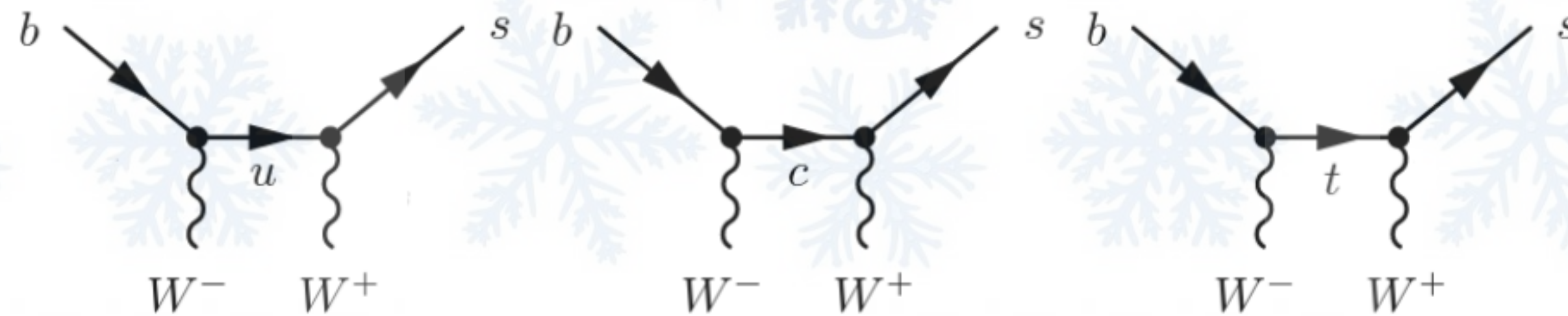


# LHCb



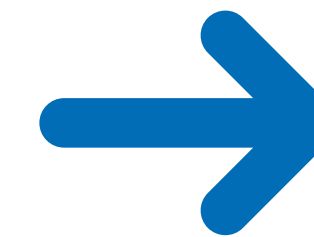
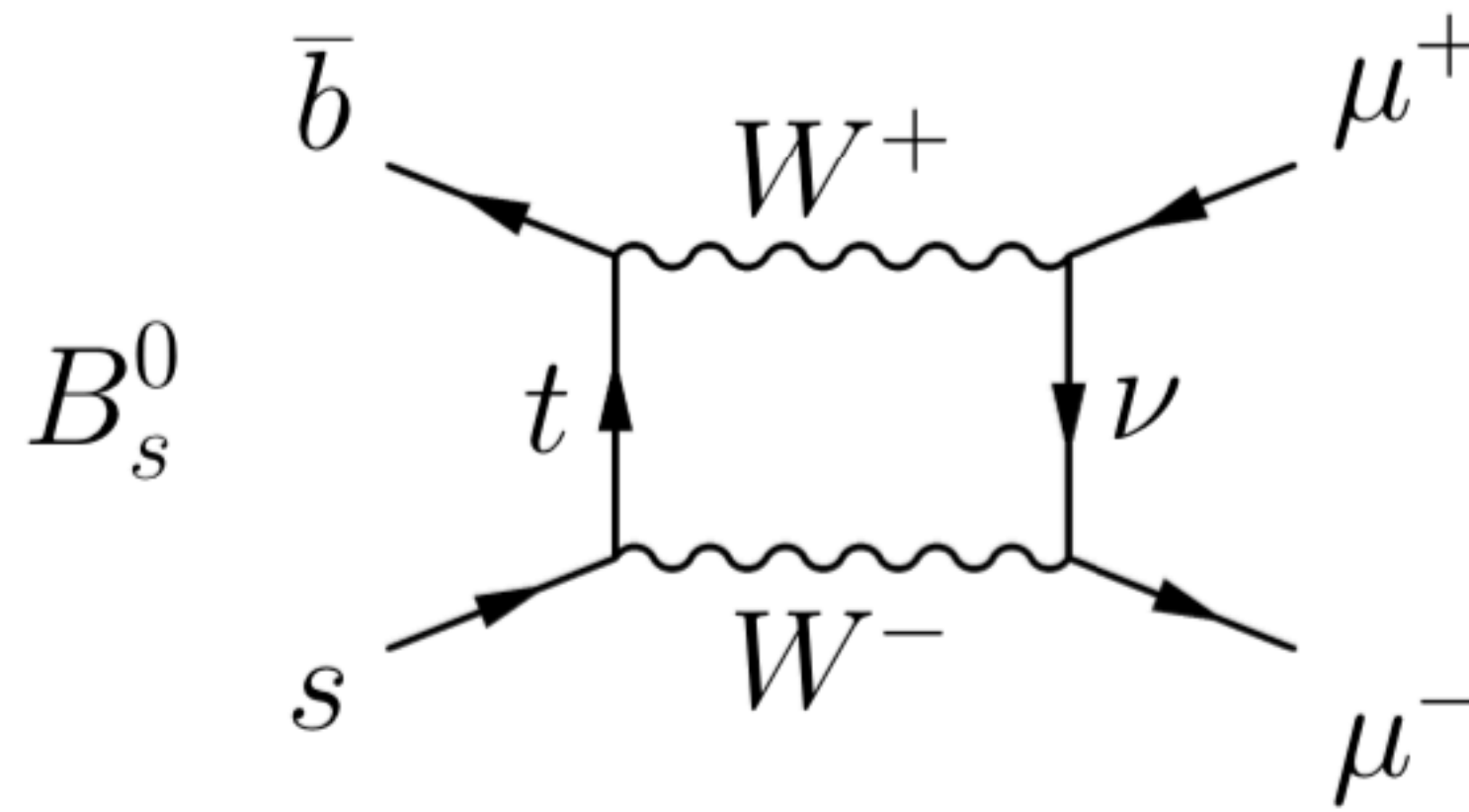
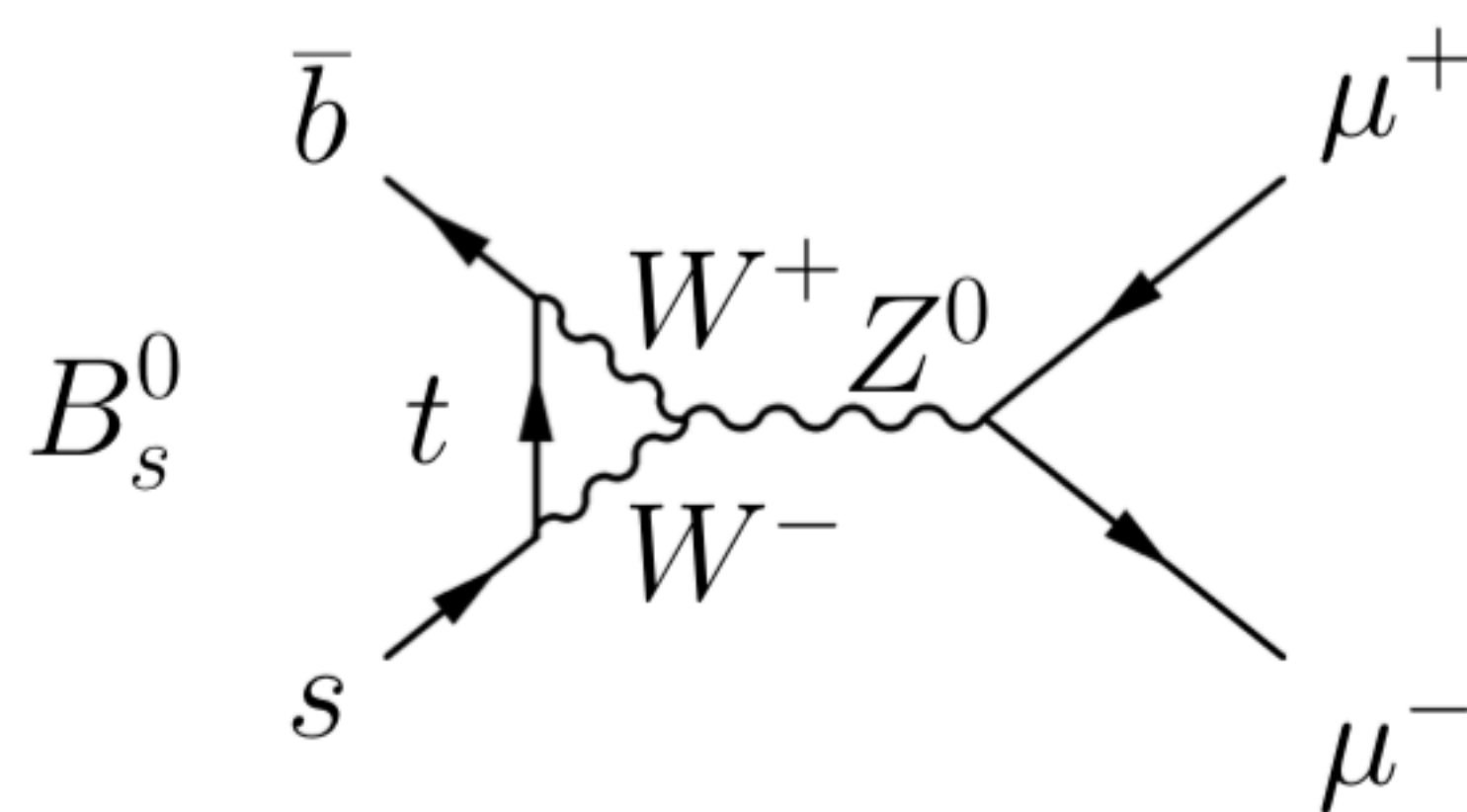


# Rare Decays



Rare decays are powerful tools for probing NP interactions.

Flavour-Changing-Neutral-Currents forbidden at leading-order (making certain decays extremely rare).



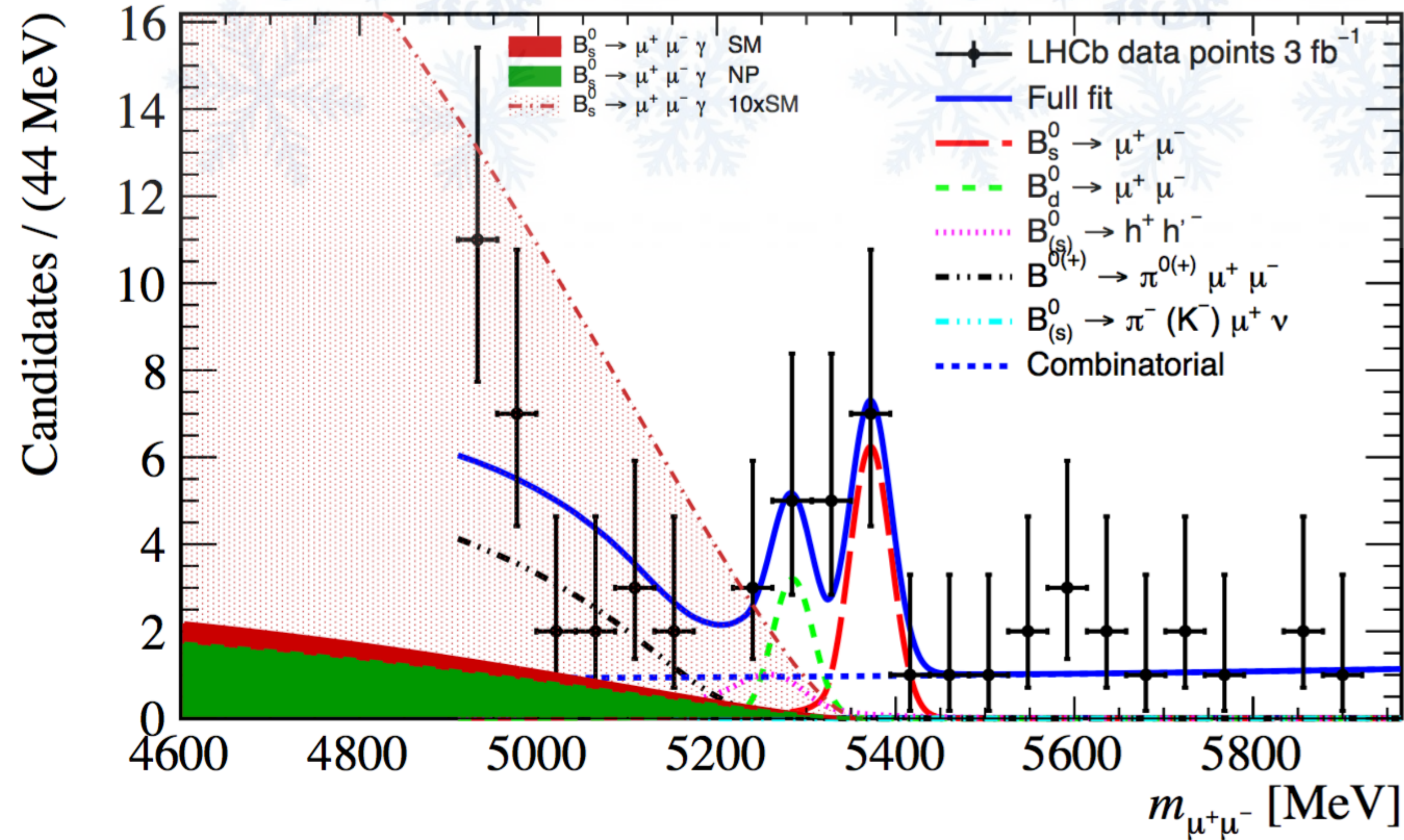
Suppressed to the order  $10^{-9}$

# Motivation

- Rare decays with well known SM predictions are interesting, as even small deviations from the SM are significant.
- Decays that are suppressed in the SM are not necessarily surpassed in New Physics models
- $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$  Branching ratio has never before been measured
- Sensitive to different new physics couplings than  $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- Analysis can be performed simultaneously to  $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$  is also a background for  $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$



# Analysis Strategy



No photon reconstruction, so missing energy shows up as a lower dimuon mass range.

Use standard  $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$  trigger and selection

Search for  $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$  in the left shoulder of the dimuon invariant mass distribution

Datasets and tools already in place from the last (and ongoing) analysis rounds of  $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$



# Previous round

- The  $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$  decay has been observed with a significance of  $7.8\sigma$  through the previous analysis of LHCb collaboration using Run I and part of Run II dataset (up to Sept. 2016)
- The measured BR is in agreement with the SM prediction, of  $(3.65 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-9}$
- With the same data, an evidence of the decay  $B_d \rightarrow \mu\mu$  with  $3.2\sigma$  significance was observed ( $1.8\sigma$  and  $2.6\sigma$  from LHCb and CMS data, respectively).
- The measured BR is in this case  $(3.9_{-1.4}^{+1.6}) \times 10^{-10}$ , which is  $2.2\sigma$  above the SM prediction,  $(1.06 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-10}$

# Analysis

$B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$  analysis round 2 - BR and effective lifetime measurements

$B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$  analysis round 1 - no limit yet

## My Role:

$$B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$$

Creating all MC Ntuples

Background Efficiencies

$$B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$$

Creating all MC Ntuples

Background Efficiencies

MC Signal Efficiencies

Final fit to data



# Currently working on MC Efficiencies

$$\epsilon_{Tot} = \epsilon_{Gen} \times \epsilon_{Rec} \times \epsilon_{Sel} \times \epsilon_{PID} \times \epsilon_{Trig}$$

Which can be used to find expected yields:

$$\mathcal{B}(B_{s,d}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = \frac{N_{B_{s,d}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-}}{2 \times \mathcal{L}_{int} \times \sigma_{pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}} \times f_{s,d} \times \epsilon_{B_{s,d}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-}}$$

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$$\mathcal{B}(B_{s,d}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = \frac{\mathcal{B}_{norm}}{N_{norm}} \times \frac{\epsilon_{norm}}{\epsilon_{B_{s,d}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-}} \times \frac{f_{norm}}{f_{s,d}} \times N_{B_{s,d}^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-}$$

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Large uncertainties in these measurements, so we use normalisation channels:

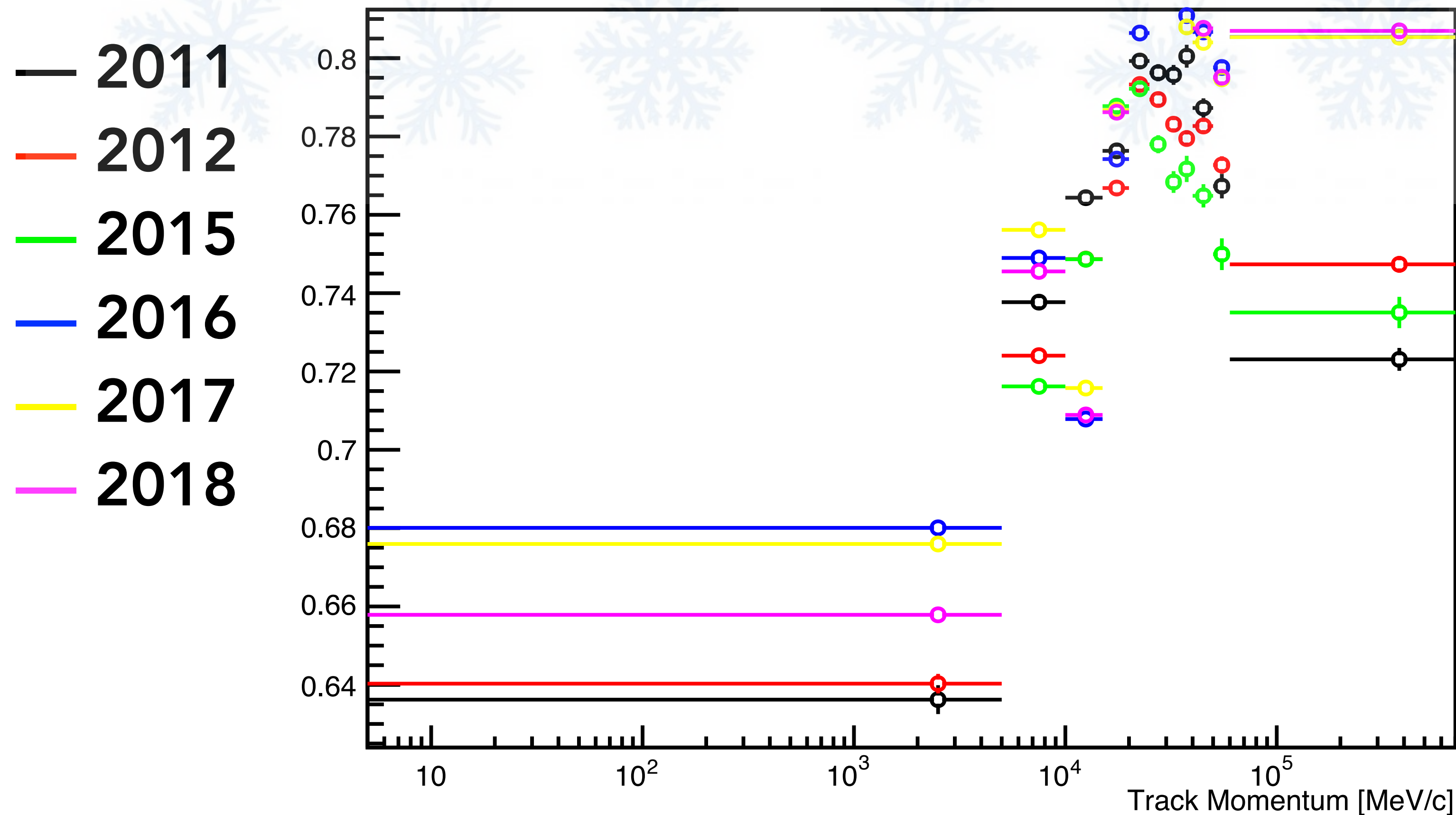
$B^0 \rightarrow K\pi$ : Two body final state with similar kinematics of final state particles

$B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi(\rightarrow \mu\mu)K^+$ : Two muons in final state and abundant signal



# Particle Identification - Muon ID

$0.8 < PT < 1.7 \text{ GeV}/c$



Use PIDCalib software to produce performance histograms from data samples

Convolve the histograms with the MC samples to produce overall PID efficiencies for each channel



# Summary

- $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$  Analysis nearing completion - Early 2020
- On track to complete  $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$  analysis in similar timeframe

## Other Activities

- Organised and ran the CERN/Liverpool Summer School
- Completed LTA at CERN including shift work
- Appointed RD Trigger Liaison
- ESIPAP school in January 2020

