

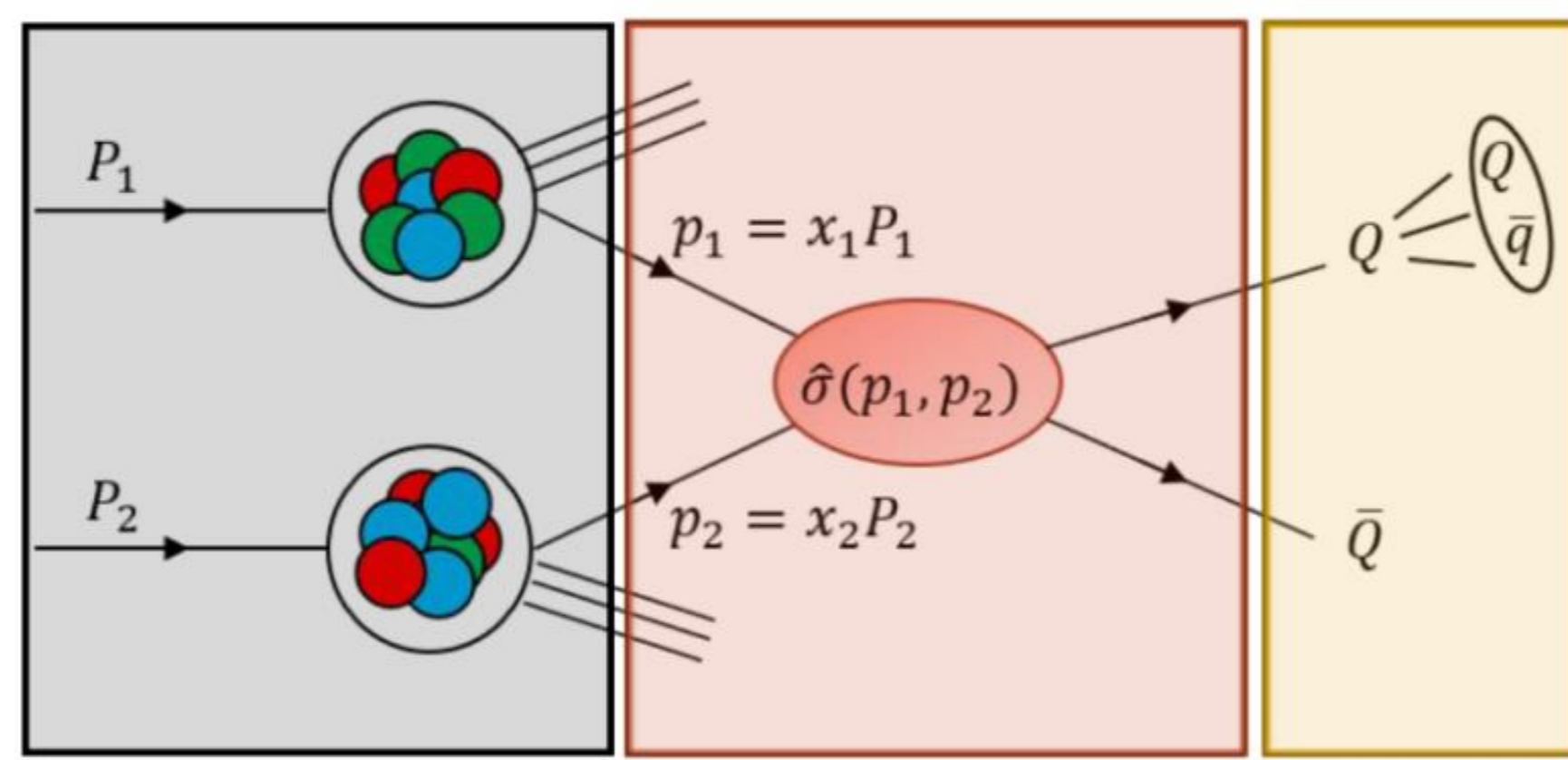
# $\Xi_c(2645)$ and $\Xi_c(2815)$ production in $pp$ interactions at the LHCb



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## 1. Introduction

The **factorization approach** is used to describe the cross-sections of hard processes. The approach implies the separation of the proton interaction process into **independent phases**, each of which is characterized by its own dynamics. The **factorization formula** well demonstrates the dynamics of each phase.



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dX} = \sum_{ij} \int_X p_i(x_i, Q) p_j(x_j, Q) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(Q)}{d\hat{X}} f(\hat{X} \rightarrow X, Q)$$

**Hadron differential cross-sections** (left), **Parton density functions** (middle), **Parton differential cross-sections** (right), **Fragmentation fractions** (far right).

The **fragmentation processes are difficult to simulate**. The information about them could be obtained by analyzing the so-called **fragmentation fractions**.

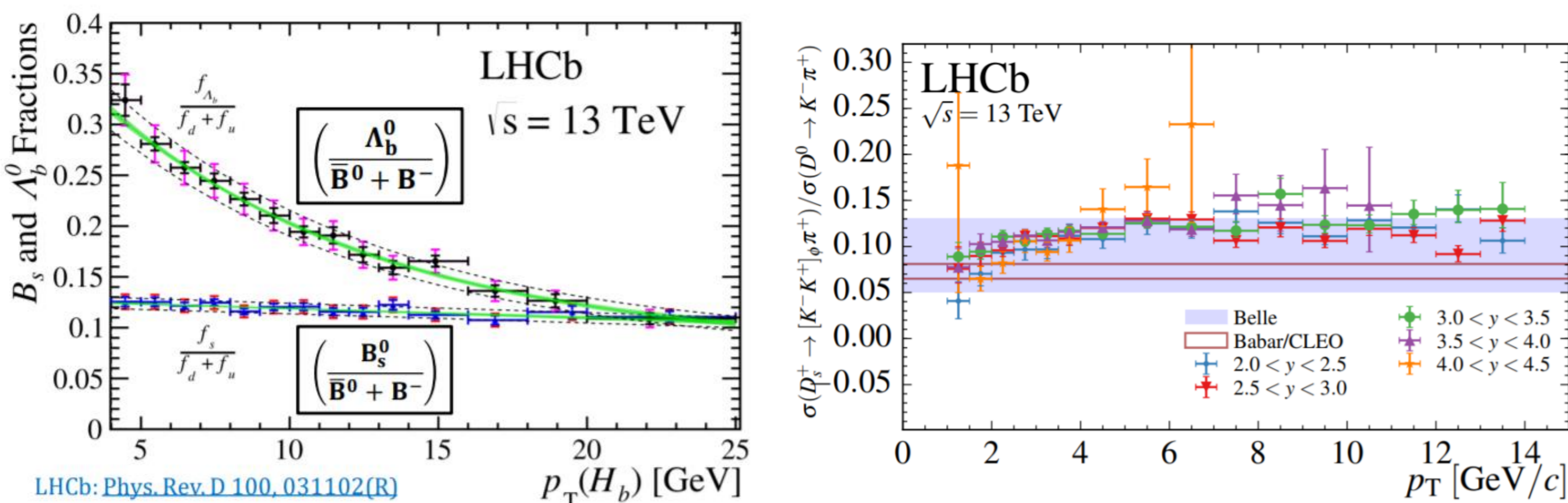
The **fragmentation fraction** – the probability of the **parton state** is hadronized to the corresponding observed **hadronic state**.

## 2. Motivation

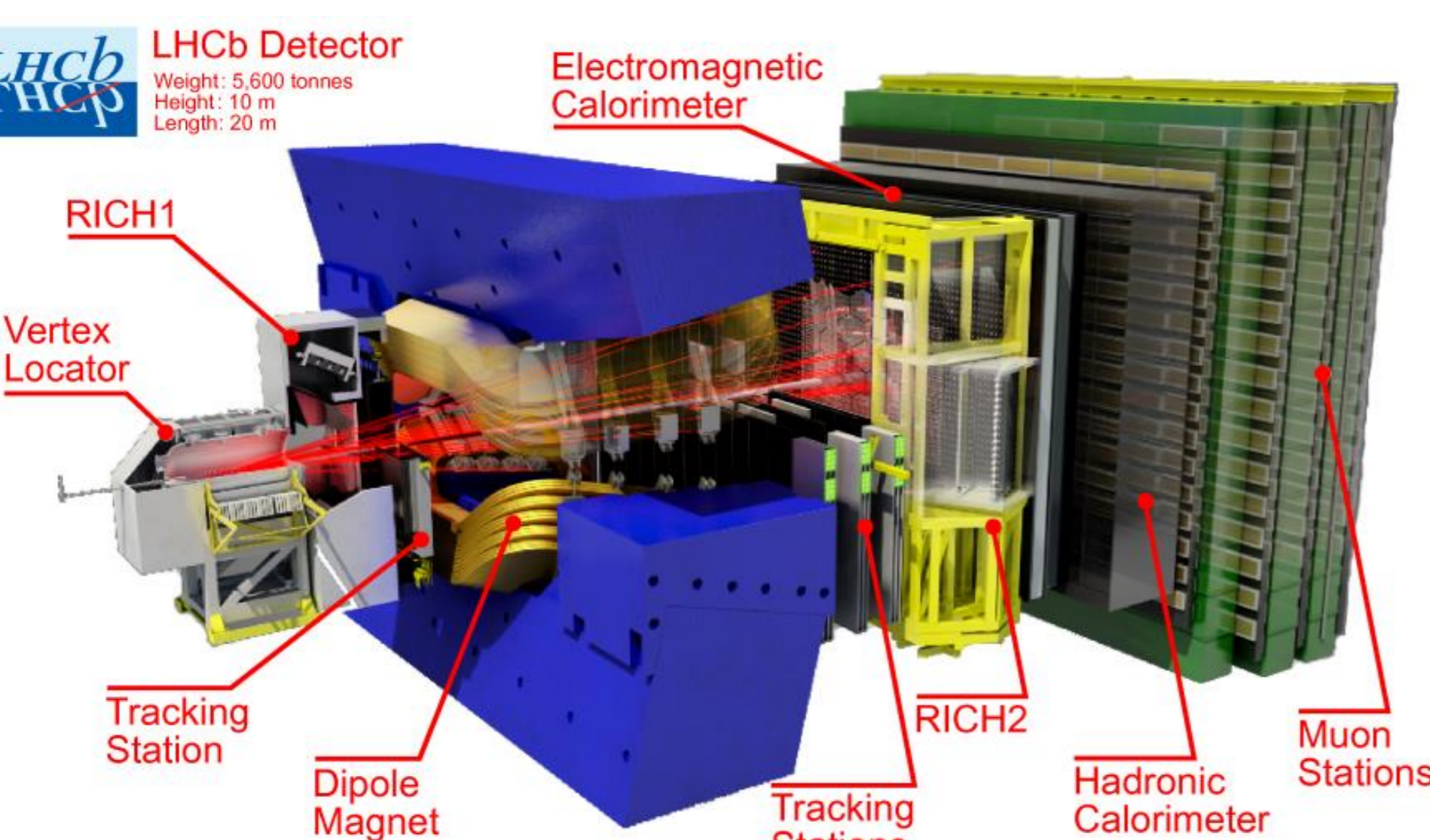
The fragmentation fractions can be evaluated using the **relations between differential production cross sections**. The dynamics of fragmentation fractions is poor studied. It is interesting to understand fragmentation fraction universality in:

- Different types of interacted systems;
- Different system's centrality;
- Different  $p_T$ - $y$  intervals.

There is no study of excited charm baryons fragmentation fractions.



## 3. Why the LHCb?



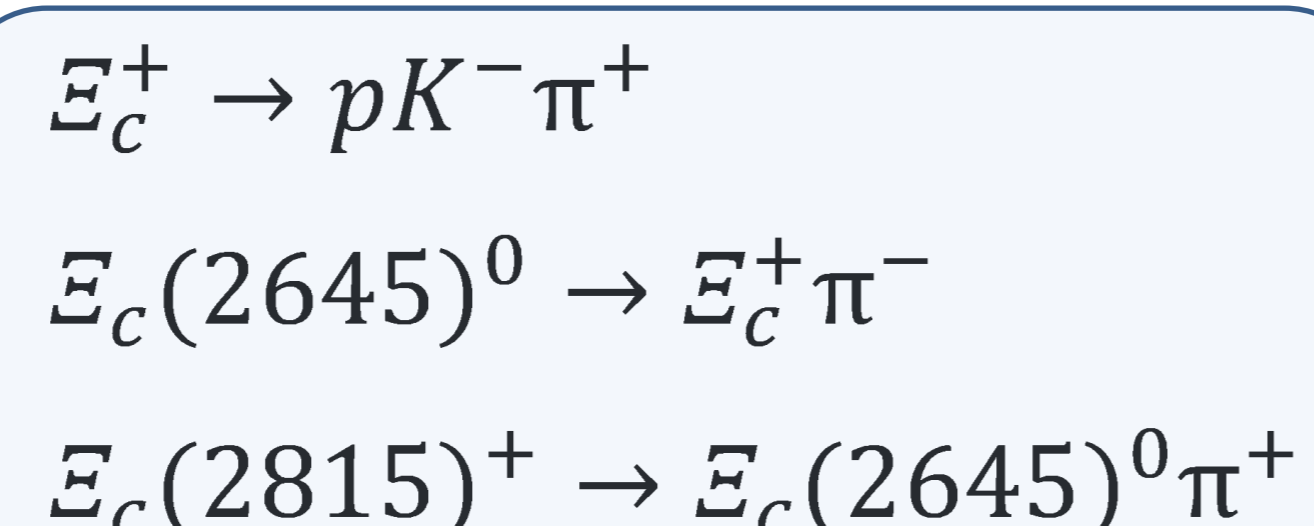
- A single-arm forward spectrometer;
- The production cross-section of  $cc$ -pairs at 7 TeV:  $6.10 \pm 0.93$  mb;
- **LHCb** acceptance  $\rightarrow 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  corresponds to  $10^{12}$  decays of  $c$ -hadrons;
- High precision vertex detector;
- Unique ability of a particle identification.

## 4. Main steps of the analysis

To measure the relation of differential cross-section values ( $R$ ) for  $\Xi_c(2645)$ ,  $\Xi_c(2815)$  to its ground state, using data collected by the LHCb detector at 7 TeV ( $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) and 8 TeV ( $2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ):

$$R_{Y_c} = Br(Y_c \rightarrow \Xi_c) \frac{d^2\sigma_{Y_c}/dp_T dy}{d^2\sigma_{\Xi_c}/dp_T dy} \approx \frac{f(c \rightarrow Y_c)}{f(c \rightarrow \Xi_c)}$$

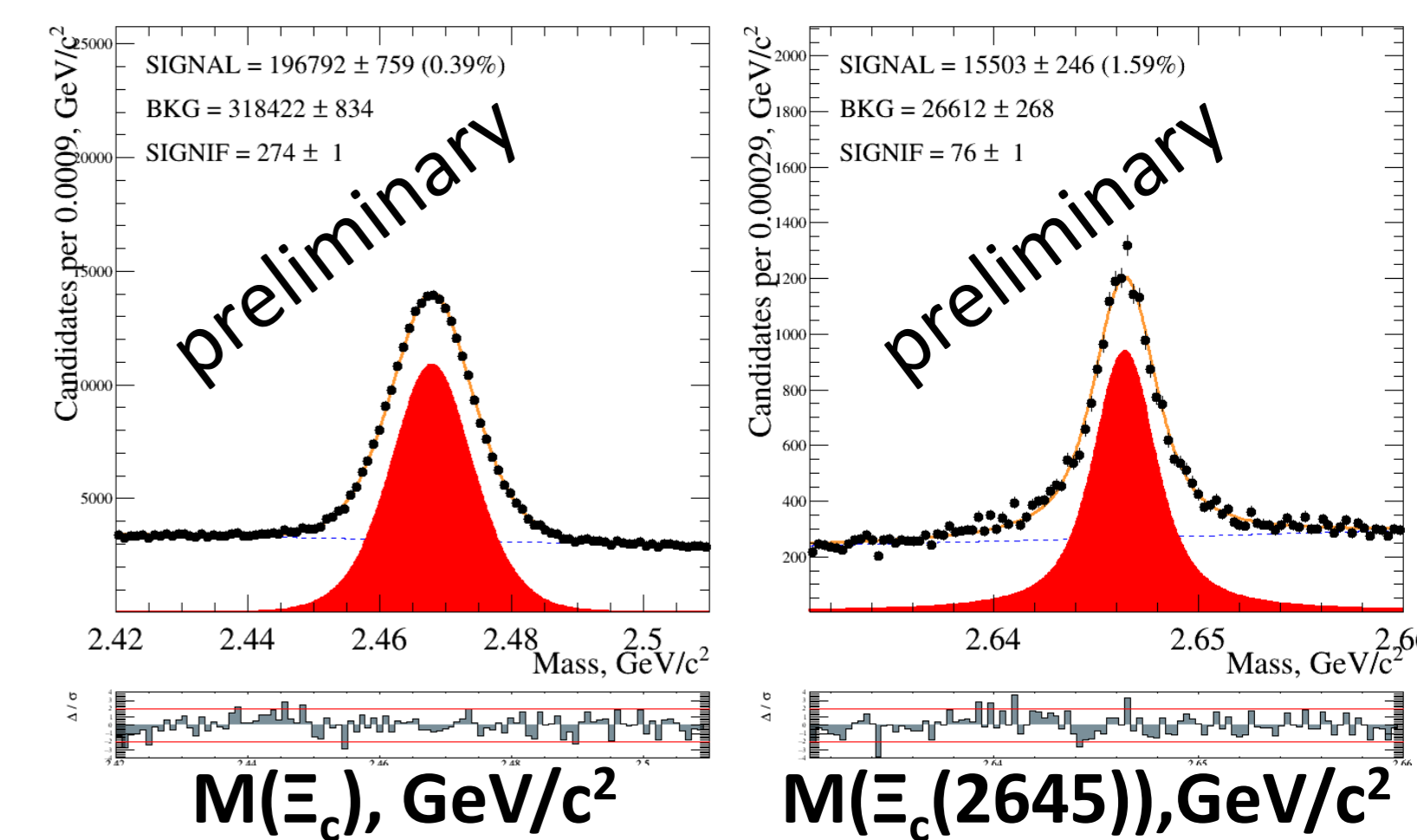
- Measurements of  $R$  uncorrected;
- Resolution evaluation;
- Optimization of the requirements;
- Estimation of systematic uncertainties;
- Calculation of the corrected  $R$ .



## 5. Mass spectra and resolution

The probability density functions to approximate the mass spectra:

- ground state:  $\Xi_c$  – Apollonius2;
- excited states:  $\Xi_c(2645)$ ,  $\Xi_c(2815)$  – Breit-Wigner (BW);
- background part: 1-st order Bernstein polynomial.



To estimate the resolution:

- Merge 7 TeV and 8 TeV datasets;
- Fix BW and background parameters on Particle Data Group values;
- Maximum likelihood fit by BW convoluted with Gaussian with free sigma-parameter.

**Energy resolution results:**

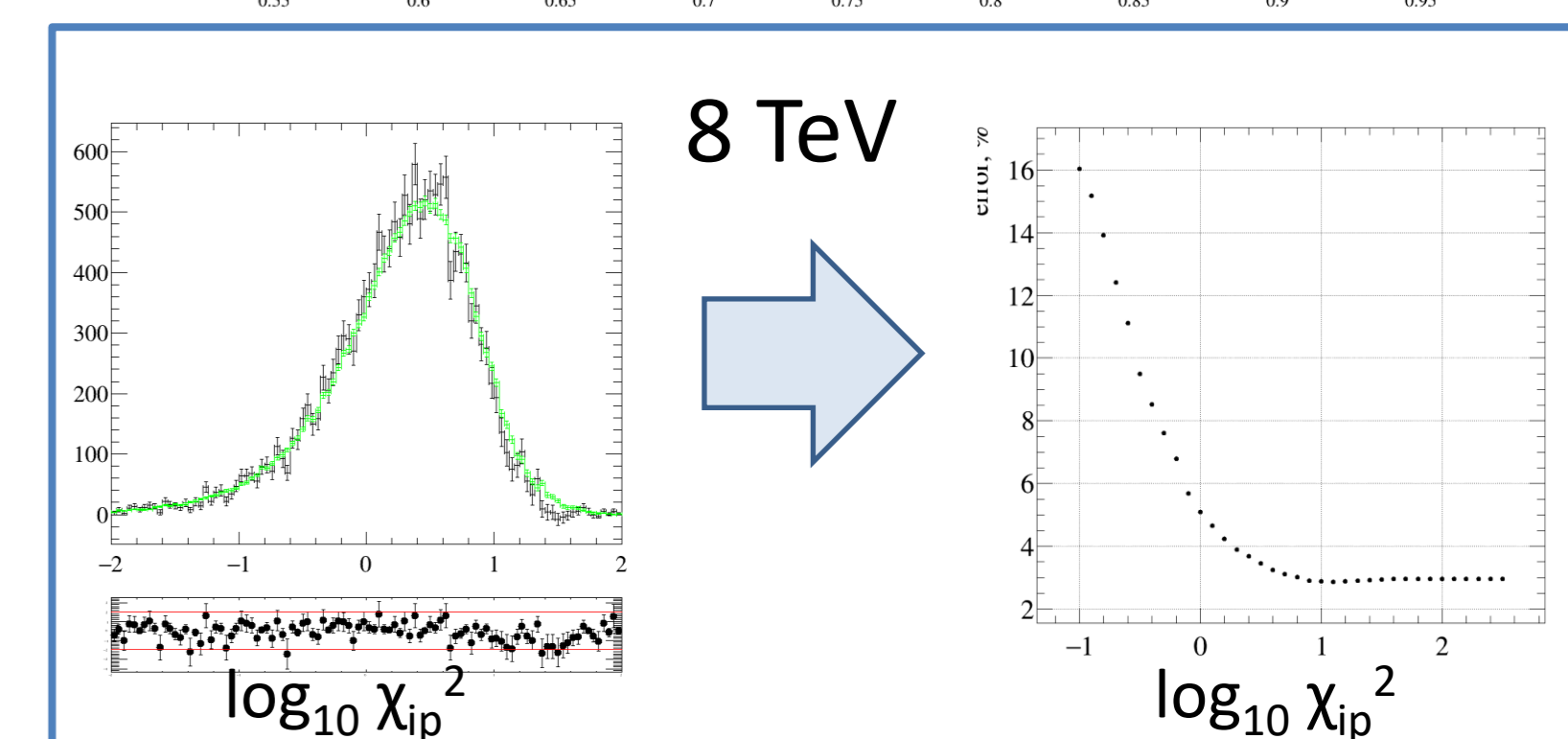
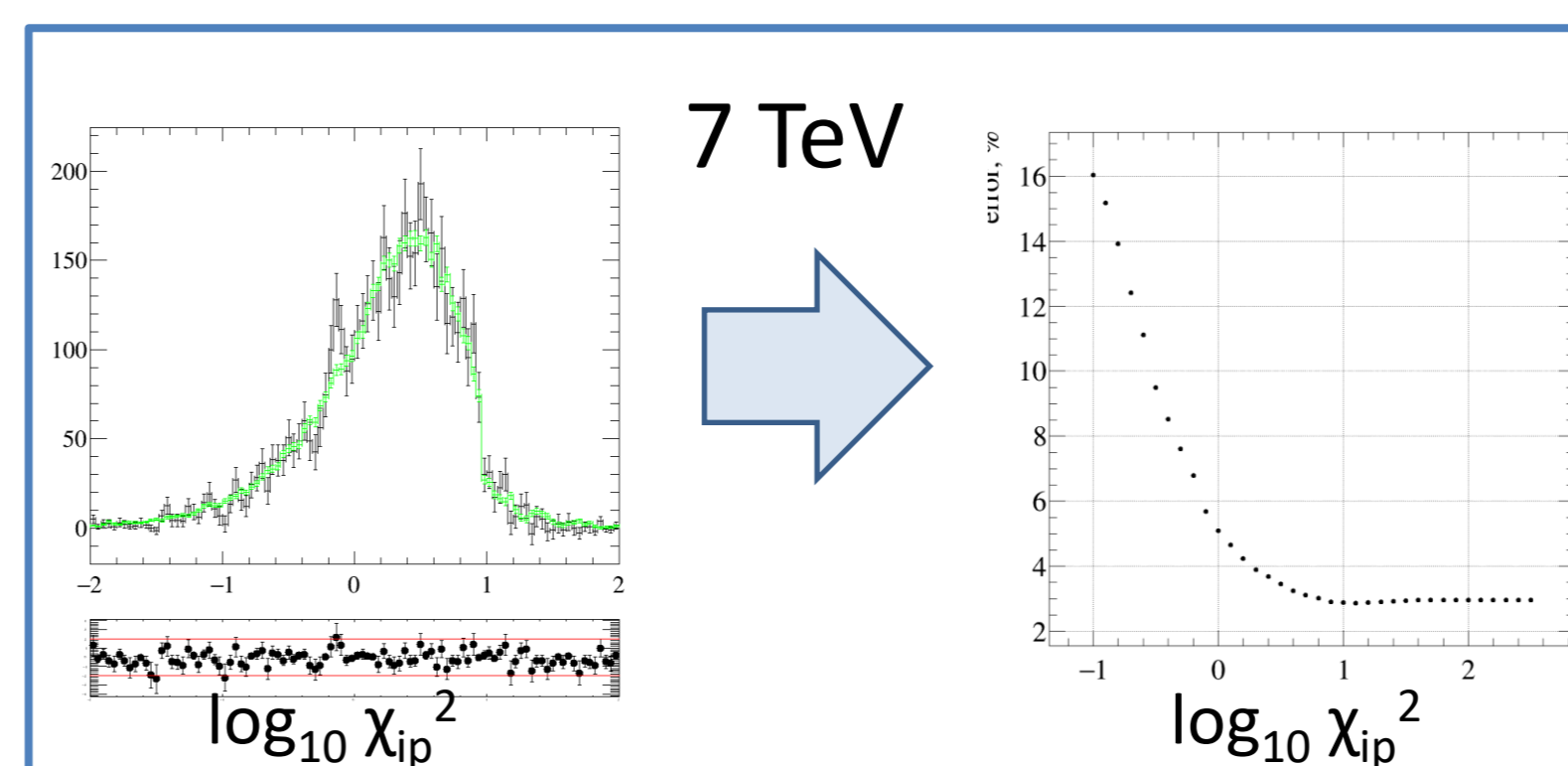
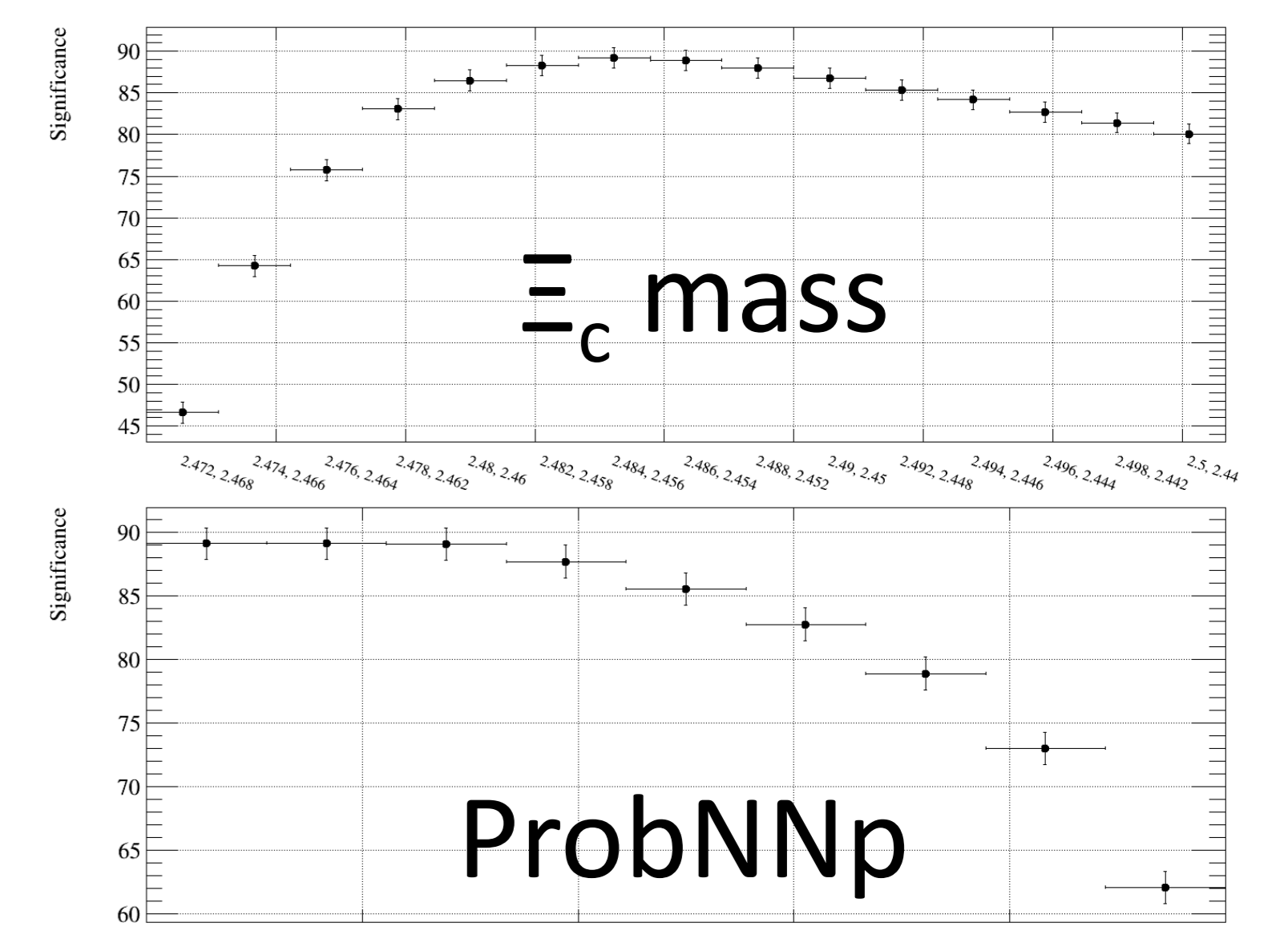
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}(\Xi_c(2645)) &= 817 \pm 35 \text{ keV;} \\ \text{Res}(\Xi_c(2815)) &= 1114 \pm 101 \text{ keV.} \end{aligned}$$

## 6. Requirements

- The mass of ground state;
- The response of Neural Networks ( $PID$ );
- The  $\log_{10} \chi_{ip}^2$  - requirement.

Does the  $\log_{10} \chi_{ip}^2$  cut changes the  $R$ ?

- Fit mass spectra;
- Apply  $sPlot$  and take into account the signal part;
- Normalize and compare.



## 7. Systematic uncertainties

From chosen model of signal and background	From model parameters	From width fixing	From non-prompt events
Applied an approximation with alternative model and calculate the relation of difference to the number of events in mass spectra.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Covariance matrix of fit</li> <li>• Randomize parameters by the covariance matrix</li> <li>• Refit with alternative parameters and get number of events.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Generate MC-width based on PDG width of the resonance</li> <li>• Fit with fixed MC-width</li> <li>• Got the result-distribution's Sigma/N events.</li> </ul>	Simultaneous fit of $\Xi_c$ -mass spectra's prompt and non-prompt components.

## 8. Results

- The  $R$  is measured in kinematic bins for  $\Xi_c$  baryons;
- The systematic uncertainties related to fit models and prompt fraction are estimated;
- The significant deviation from the universality hypothesis is not observed.

