

## A Supplementary plots for LHCB-PAPER-2015-025

### A.1 Comparison to previous experiments

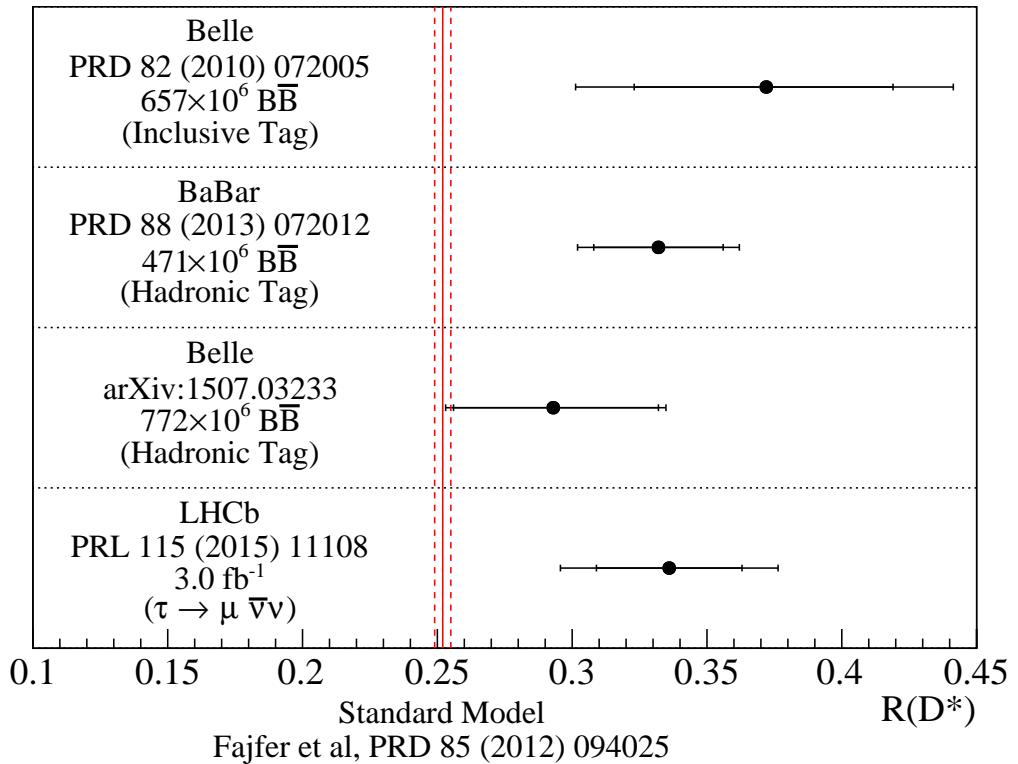


Figure 1: Comparison of the present result with recent  $B$ -factory measurements from Belle [1, 2] and BaBar [3, 4].

### A.2 Detailed projections for control sample fits

Included here are the results of fits to the three background-enriched control samples shown in the same projections as Figure 1 in the paper.

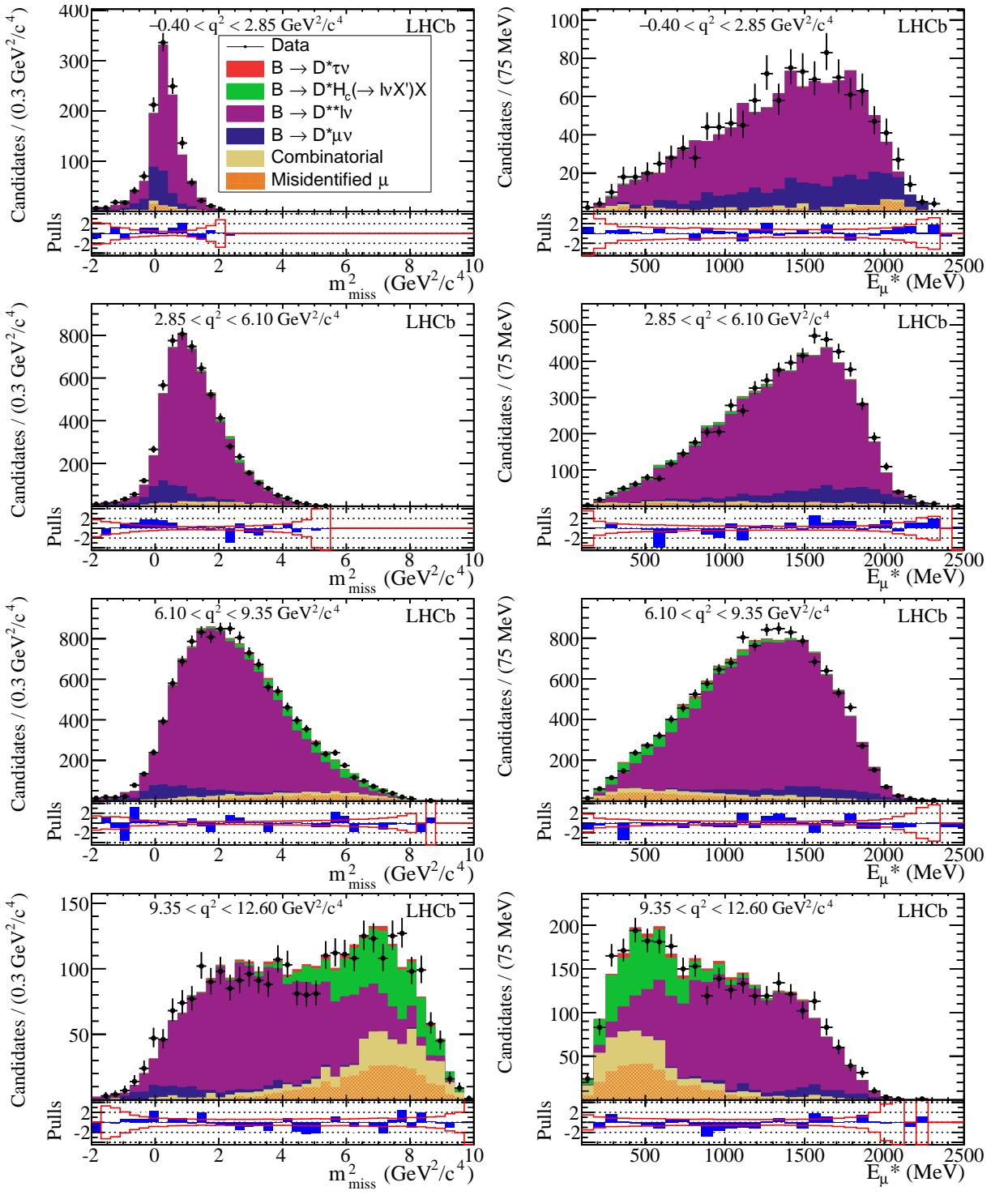


Figure 2: Results of fitting control data enriched in  $\bar{B} \rightarrow [D_1, D_2^*, D_1']\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu$  (violet). The sample is selected requiring exactly one track selected by the isolation MVA with opposite charge to the  $D^{*+}$  candidate. Shown are projections in (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  and (right)  $E_{\mu}^*$  for each bin of  $q^2$ .

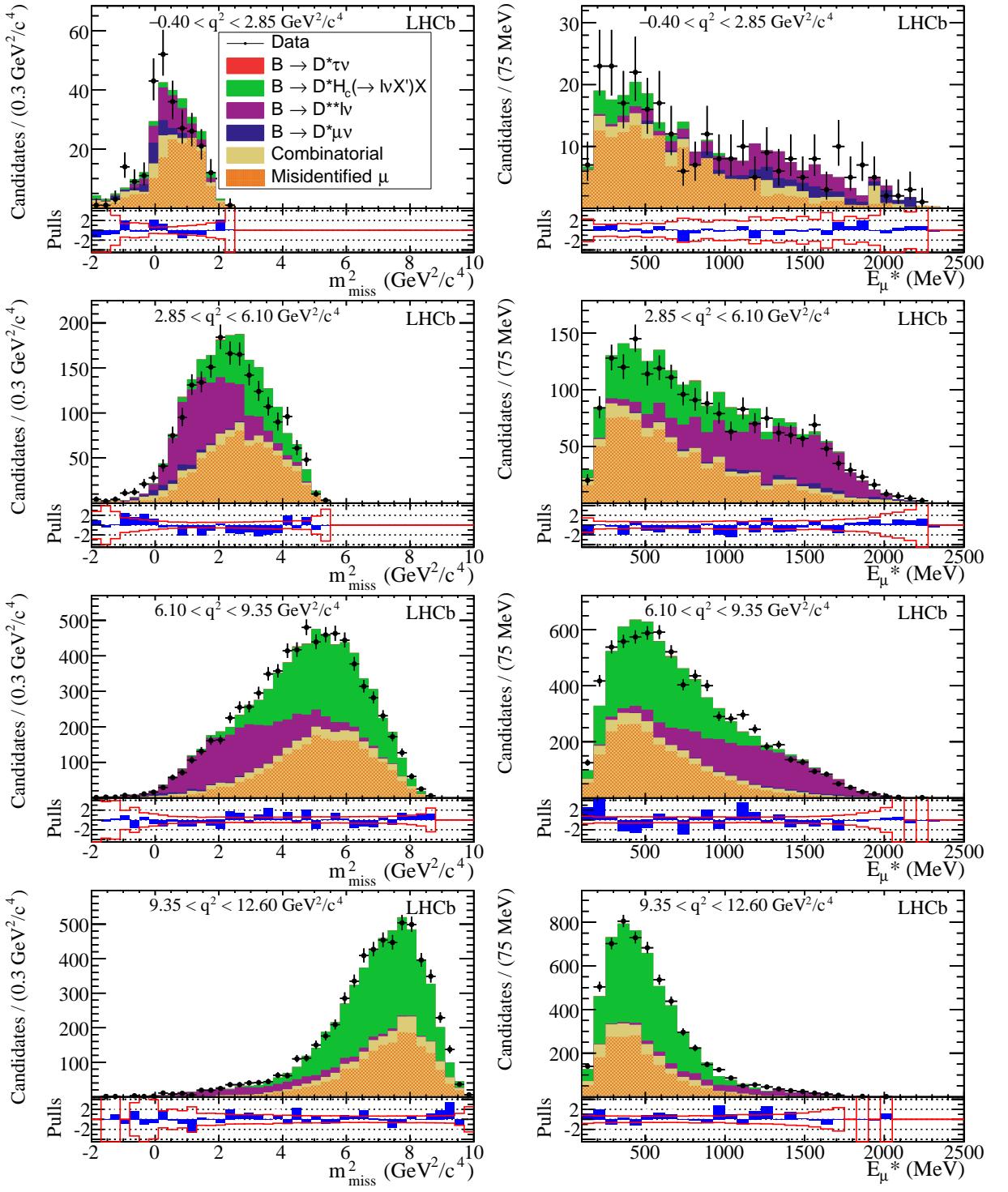


Figure 3: Results of fitting control data enriched in  $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{**}(\rightarrow D^*+\pi\pi)\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu$ . The sample is selected requiring exactly two tracks with opposite charge selected by the isolation MVA. Shown are projections in (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  and (right)  $E_\mu^*$  for each bin of  $q^2$ .

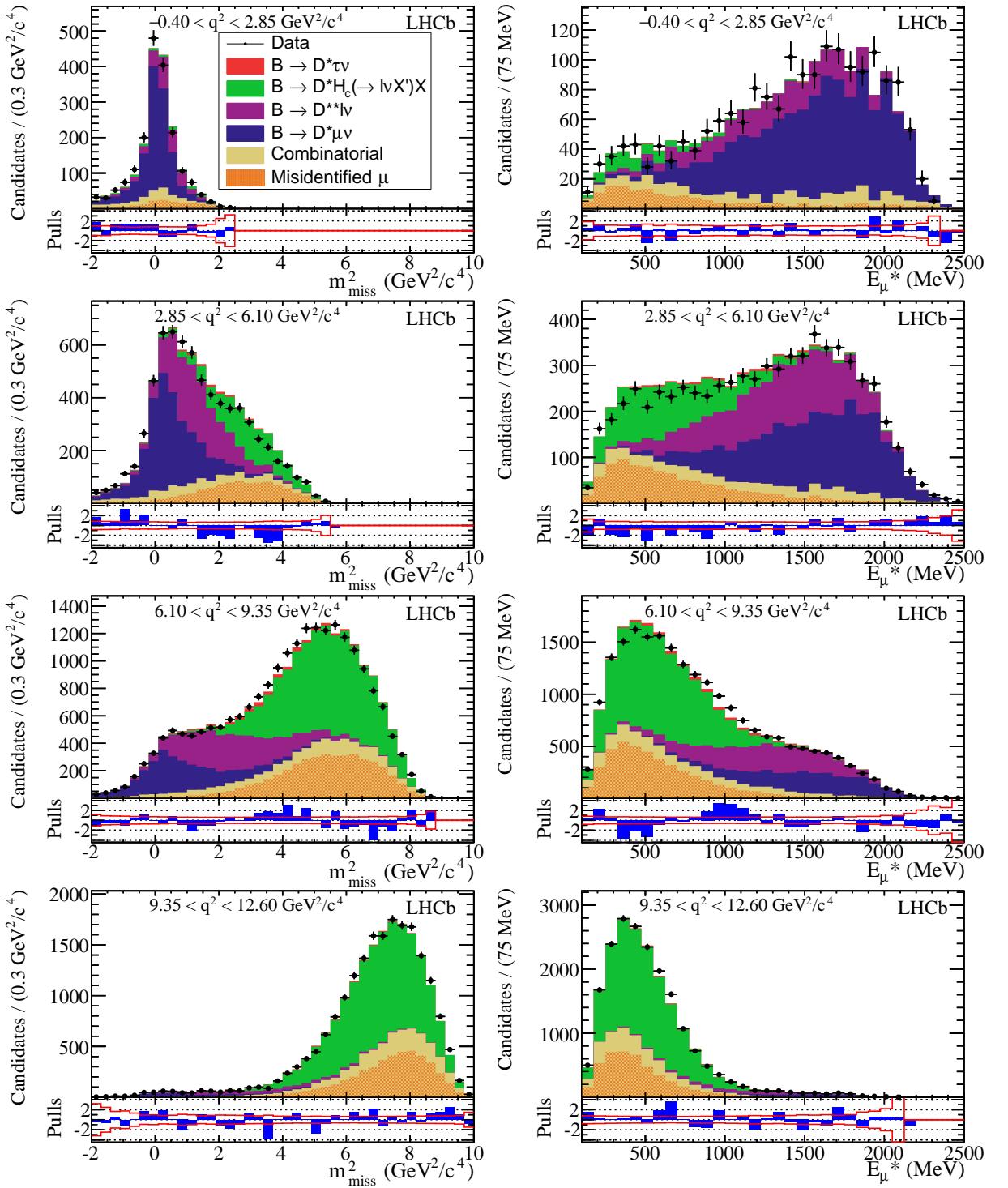


Figure 4: Results of fitting control data enriched in  $B \rightarrow D^{*+} H_c(\rightarrow \mu\nu X')X$  (green). The sample is selected by requiring the isolation MVA identify a track consistent with originating from the  $B$  candidate vertex and at least one track consistent with the  $K^\pm$  hypothesis near the  $B$ . Shown are projections in (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  and (right)  $E_\mu^*$  for each bin of  $q^2$ .

### A.3 Summed projections for all fits

Projections summed over  $q^2$  bins.

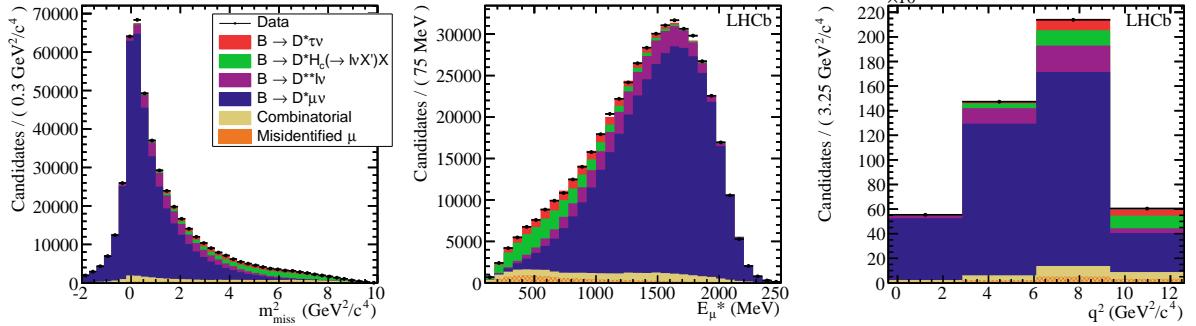


Figure 5: Distributions of (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (center)  $E_\mu$  and (right)  $q^2$  for the signal sample with fit projections overlaid.

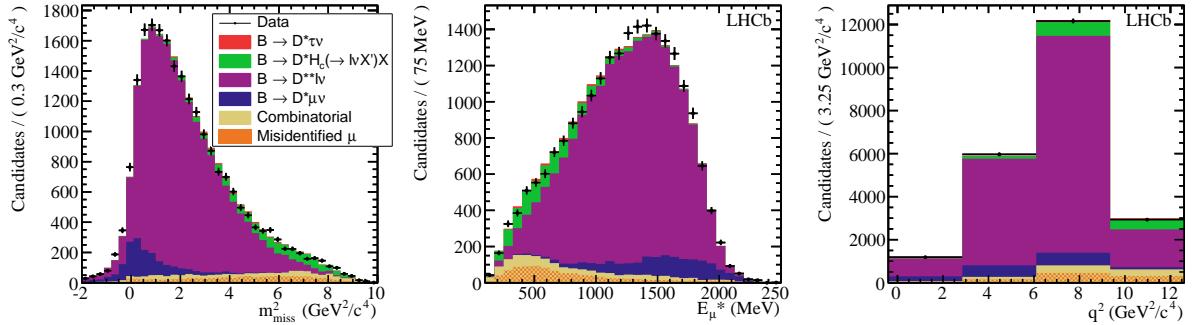


Figure 6: Distributions of (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (center)  $E_\mu$  and (right)  $q^2$  for the  $D^{*+} \mu^- \pi^-$  control sample with fit projections overlaid.

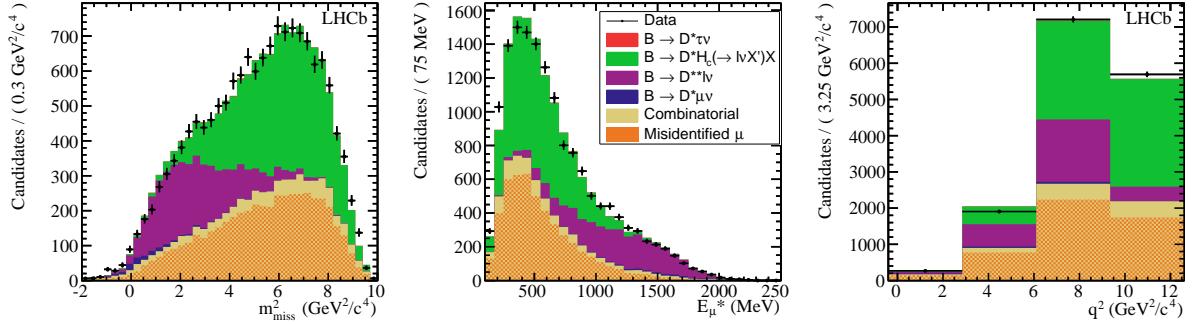


Figure 7: Distributions of (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (center)  $E_\mu$  and (right)  $q^2$  for the  $D^{*+}\mu^-\pi^+\pi^-$  control sample with fit projections overlaid.

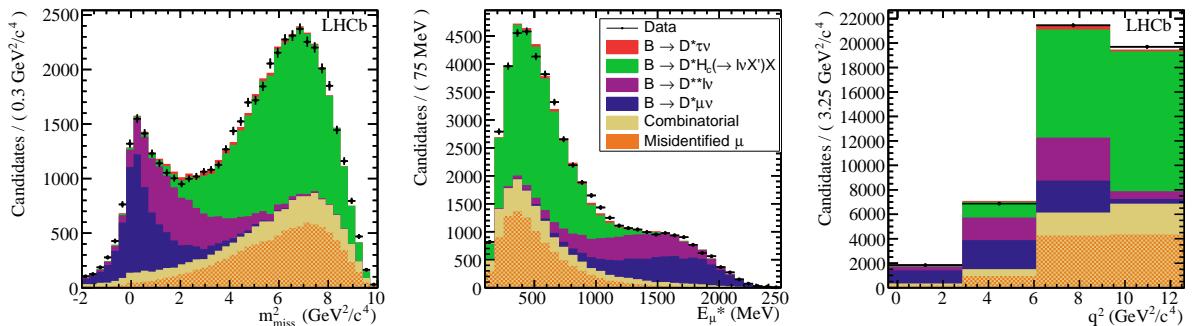


Figure 8: Distributions of (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (center)  $E_\mu$  and (right)  $q^2$  for the  $D^{*+}\mu^-K^\pm$  control sample with fit projections overlaid.

## A.4 Template projections

Plots to illustrate rest-frame variables calculated for various illustrative backgrounds.

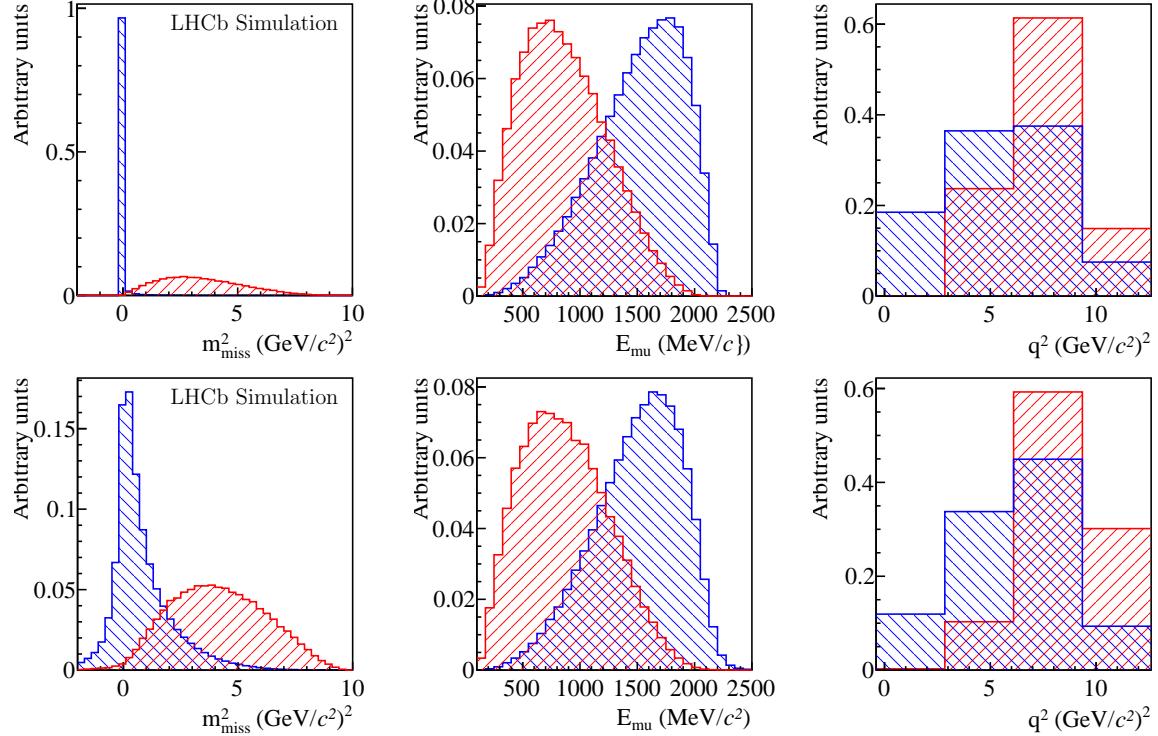


Figure 9: Distributions of (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (middle)  $E_{\mu}^*$  and (right)  $q^2$  for simulated (blue)  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu$  and (red)  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}\tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau$  events using (top) MC truth information and (bottom) reconstructed quantities.

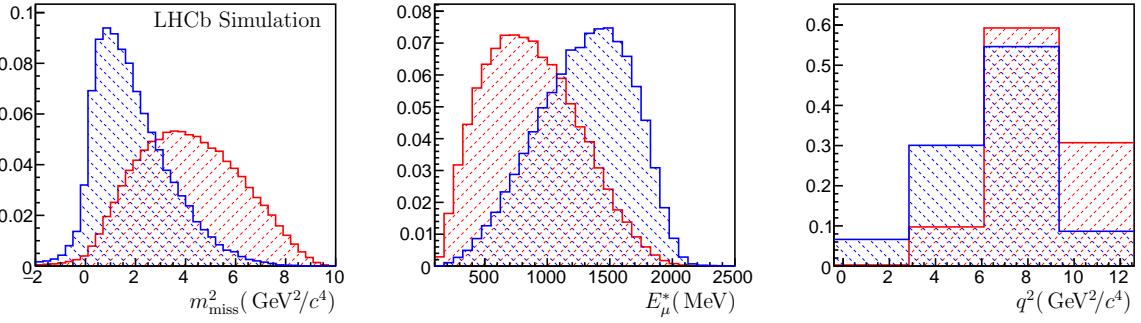


Figure 10: Distributions of (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (middle)  $E_{\mu}^*$  and (right)  $q^2$  for simulated (blue)  $B^0 \rightarrow D_1^+(2420)\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu$  and (red)  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}\tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau$  events.

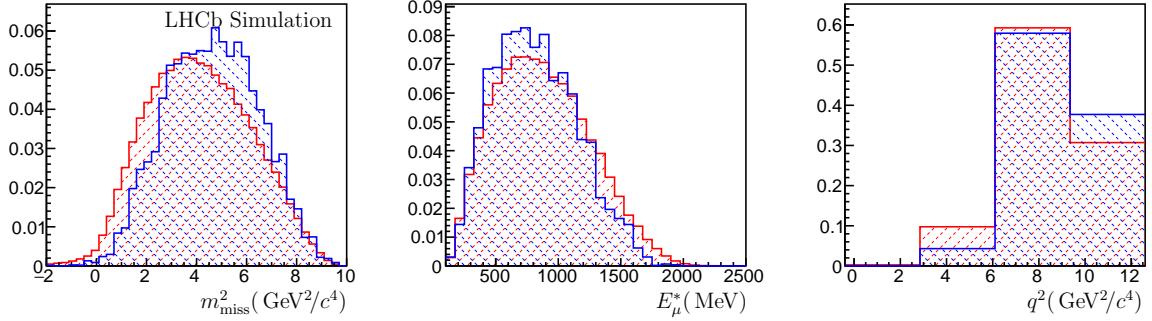


Figure 11: Distributions of (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (middle)  $E_\mu^*$  and (right)  $q^2$  for simulated (blue)  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D_2^{*+}(2460)\tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau$  and (red)  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}\tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau$  events.

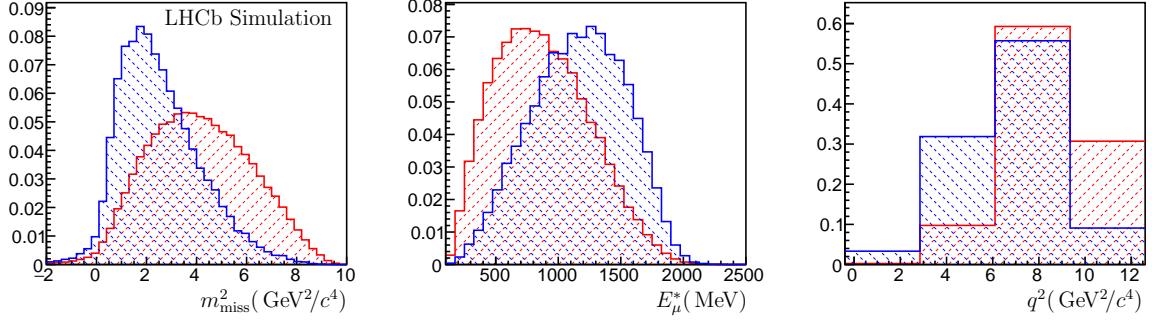


Figure 12: Distributions of (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (middle)  $E_\mu^*$  and (right)  $q^2$  for simulated (blue)  $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{*+}(\rightarrow D^{*+}\pi\pi)\mu^-\bar{\nu}_\mu$  and (red)  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}\tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau$  events.

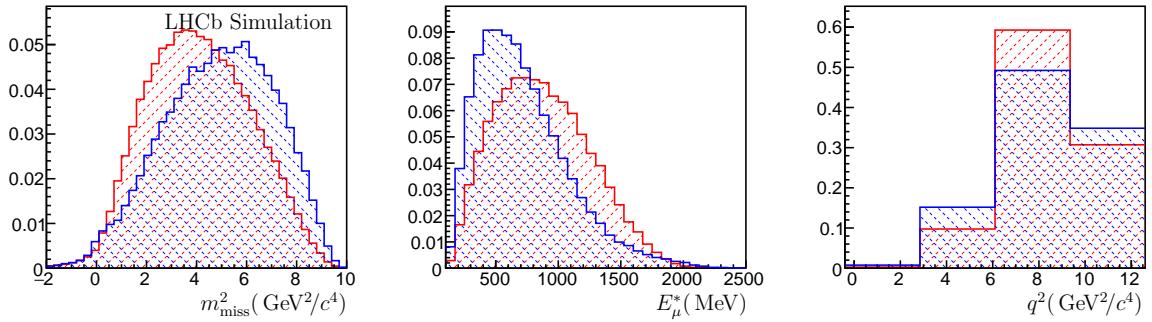


Figure 13: Projections in (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (middle)  $E_\mu$  and (right)  $q^2$  for simulated (blue)  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}H_c(\rightarrow \mu\nu X')X$  and (red)  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}\tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau$  events.

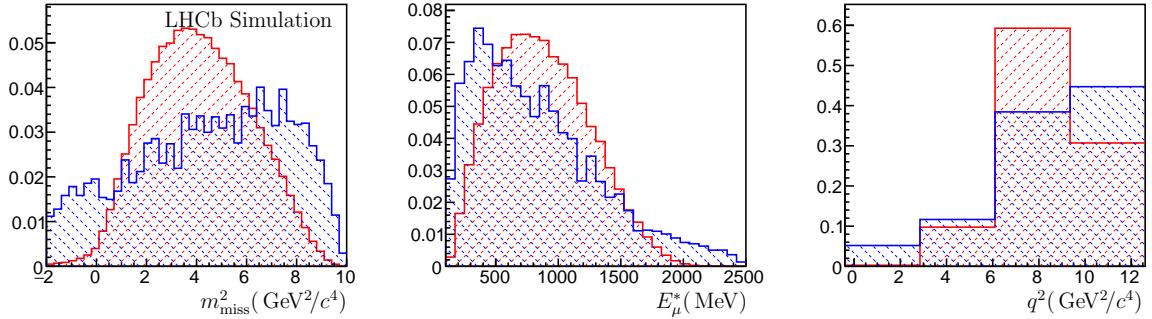


Figure 14: Projections in (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (middle)  $E_\mu$  and (right)  $q^2$  for (blue)  $D^{*+}\mu^+$  data (with hadron to muon misidentification and combinatorial  $D^*$  components removed) and (red) simulated  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}\tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau$  events.

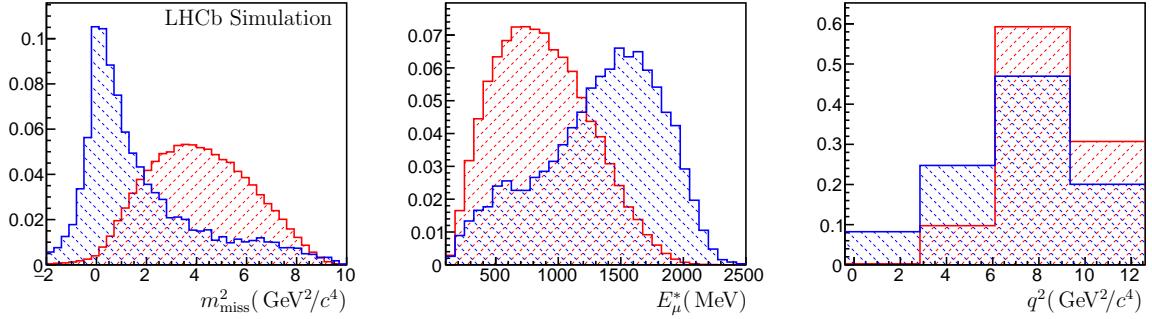


Figure 15: Projections in (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (middle)  $E_\mu$  and (right)  $q^2$  for (blue)  $D^0\pi^-\mu^+$  data and (red) simulated  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}\tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau$  events.

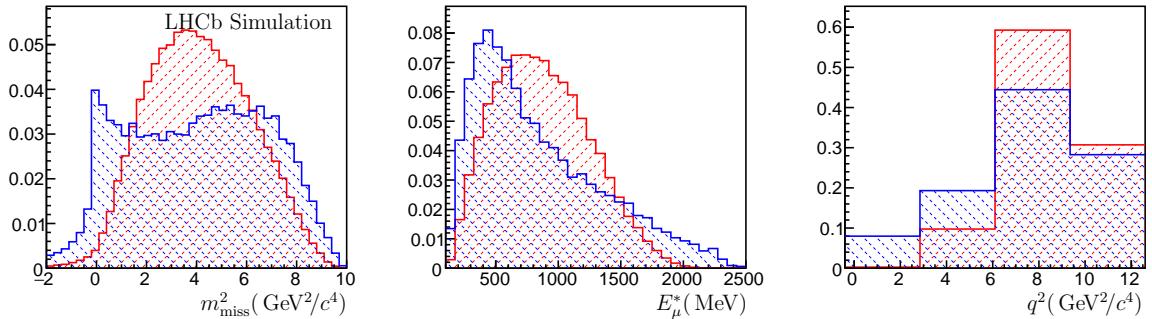


Figure 16: Projections in (left)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (middle)  $E_\mu$  and (right)  $q^2$  for (blue) background from hadrons misidentified as muons and (red) simulated  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}\tau^-\bar{\nu}_\tau$  events.

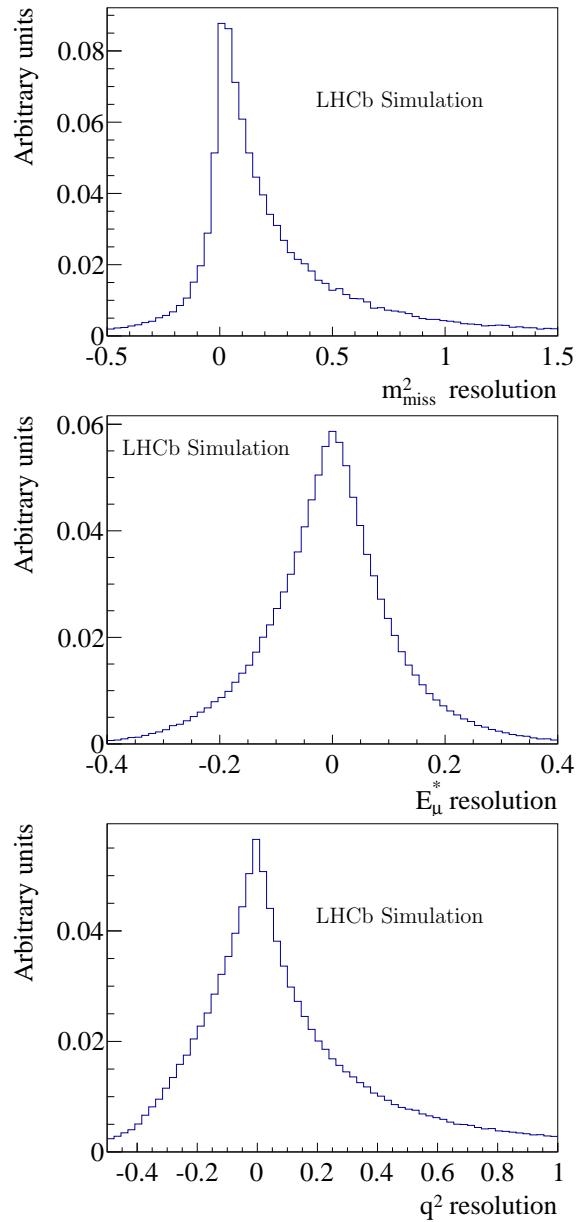


Figure 17: Resolution for (top)  $m_{\text{miss}}^2$  (middle)  $E_\mu$  and (bottom)  $q^2$  in simulated  $B \rightarrow D^* \mu \nu$  events (defined as  $\frac{\text{reco}-\text{true}}{\text{true}}$ ).

## A.5 Isolation MVA output

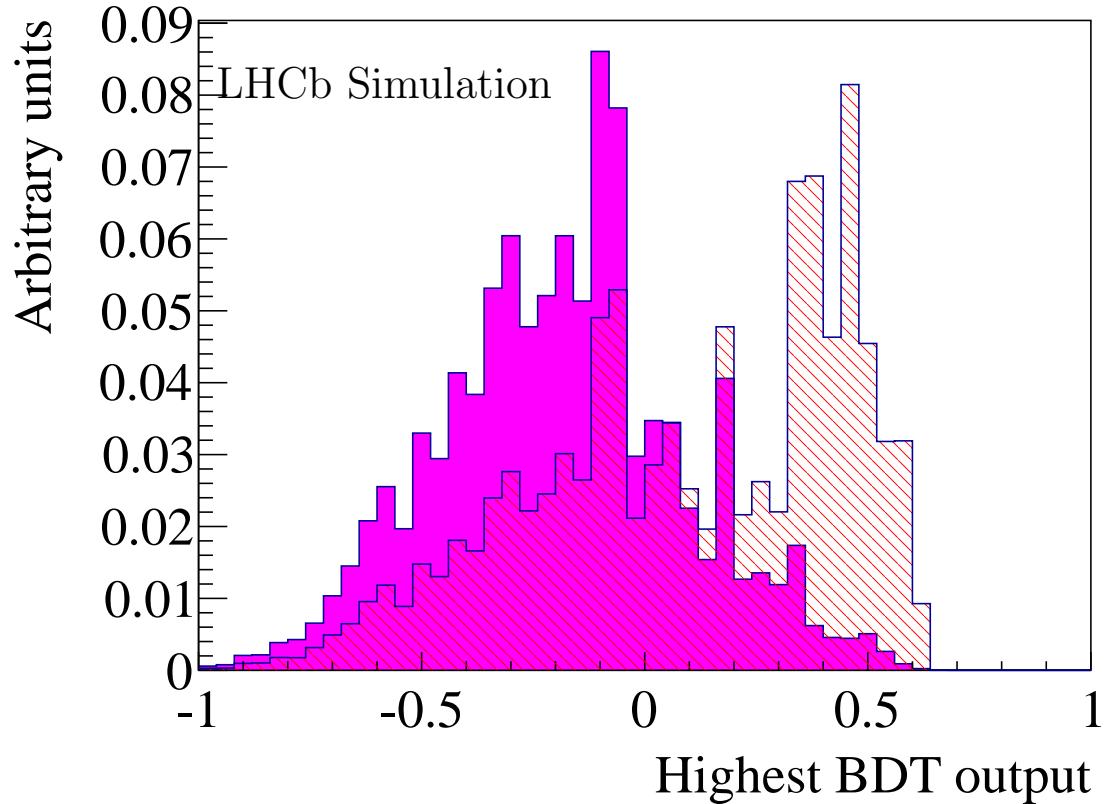


Figure 18: Distribution of largest isolation MVA output for any track in (solid)  $B \rightarrow D^* \mu\nu$  and (hatched)  $B \rightarrow D^{**} \mu\nu$  events.

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