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Studies of four-charm-quark states at LHCb

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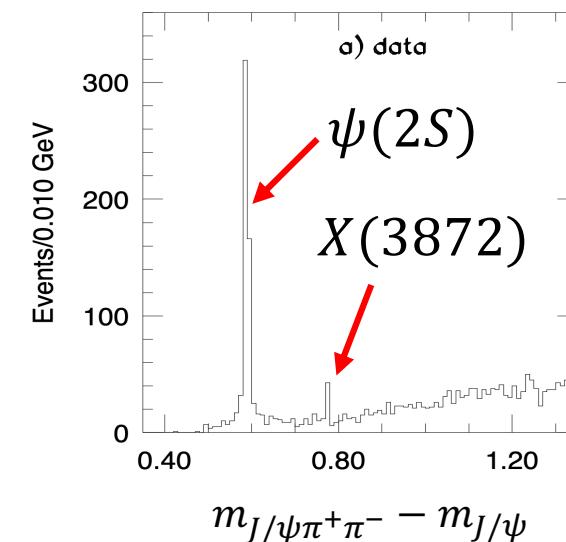
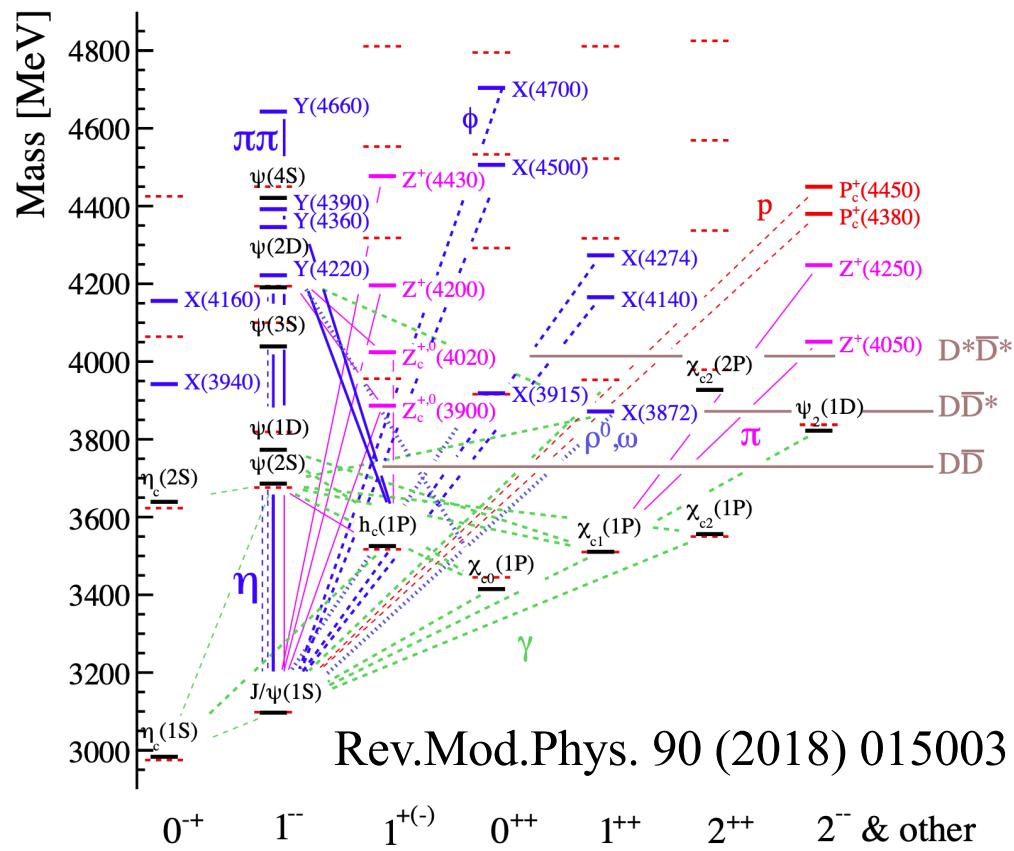


From one to a zoo

$X(3872)$ discovered in 2003

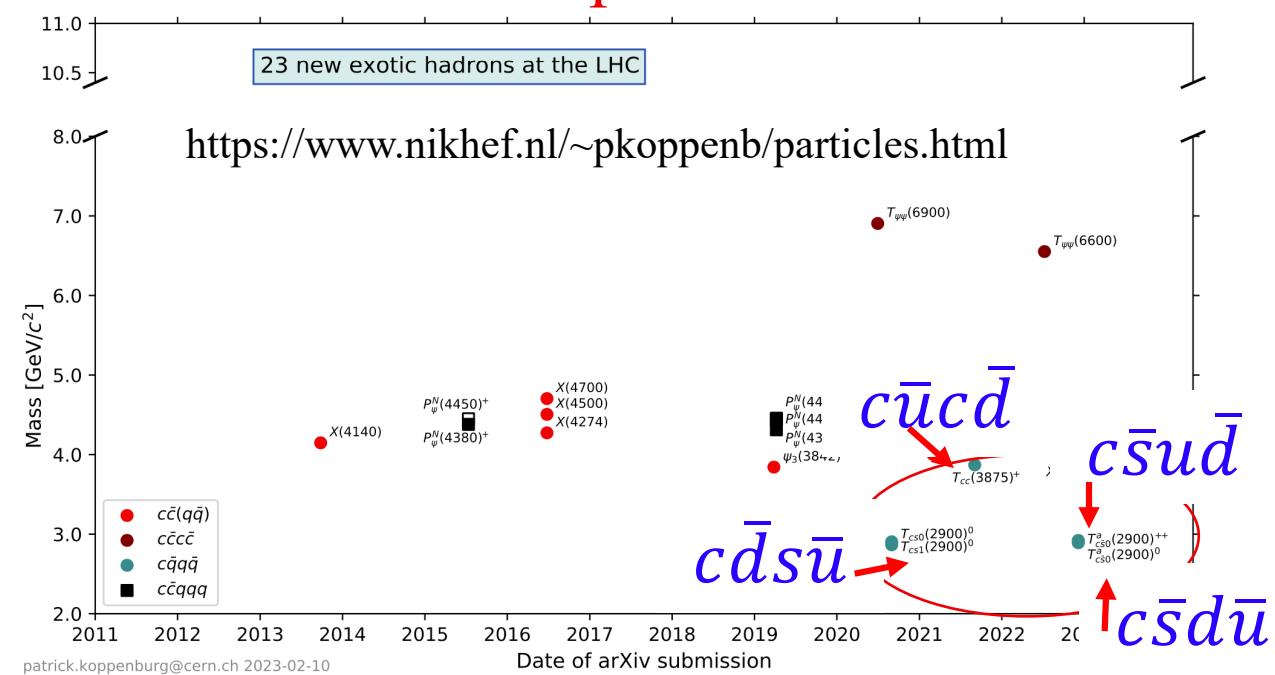
Narrow width, close to $D^{*0}D^0$ threshold,
isospin breaking decay ...

Many more appeared containing $Q\bar{Q}$



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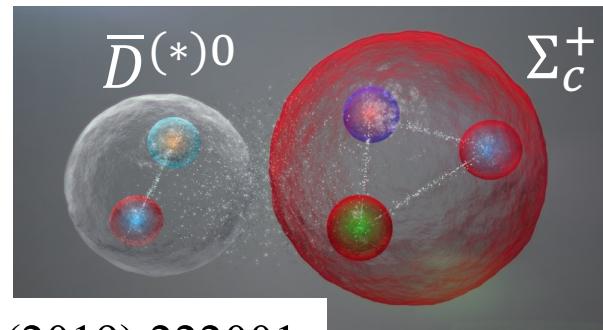
and with open charm



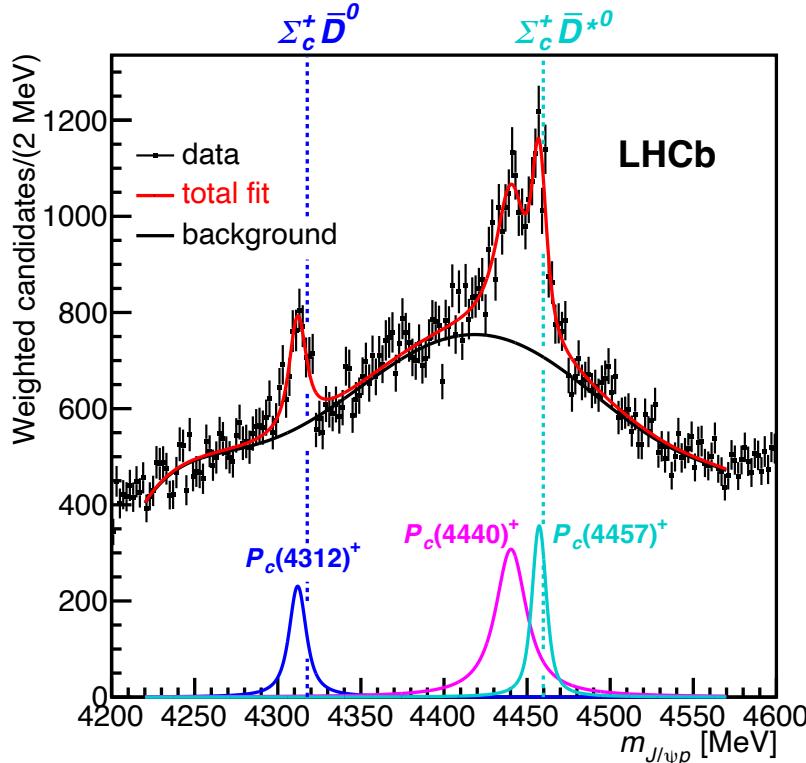
Ongoing studies/debates on internal structures

Hadron molecules:
bound by nuclear force

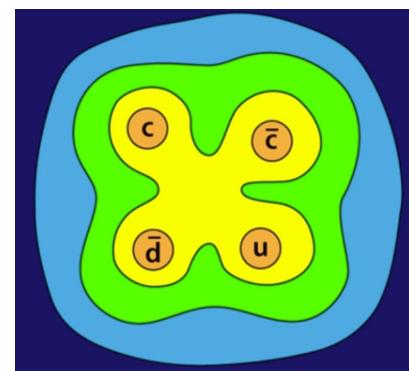
Mass close to di-hadron threshold in *S*-wave



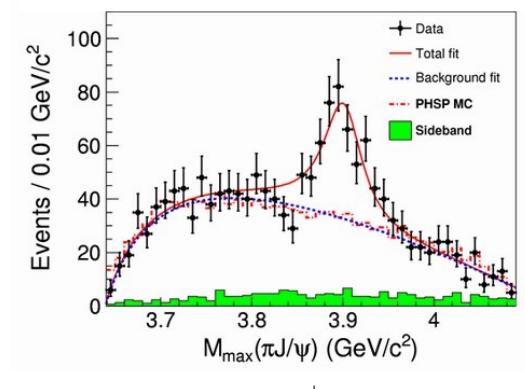
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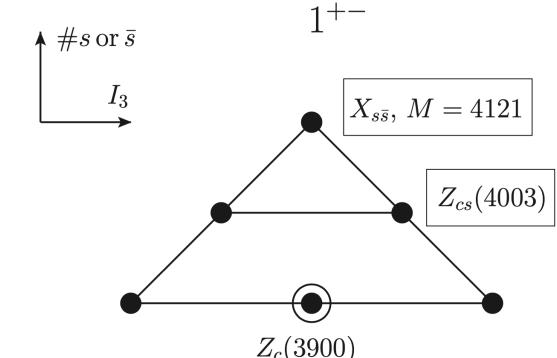
Compact tetraquarks:
bound by color interaction



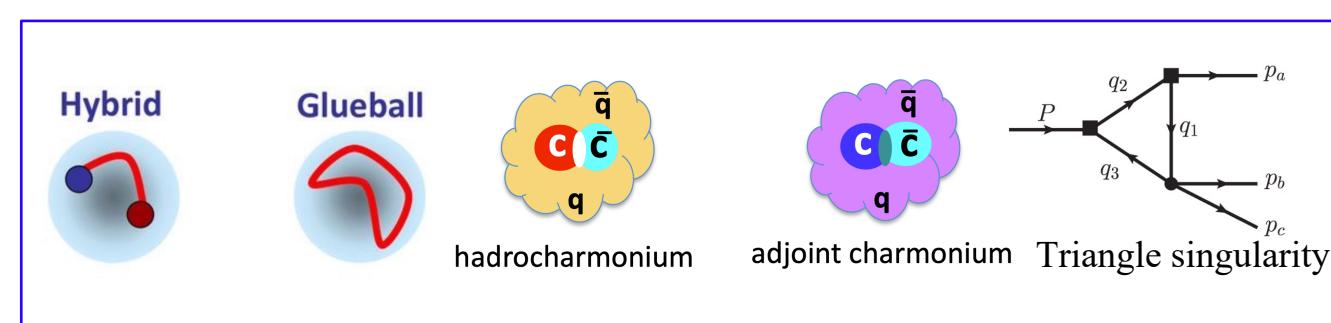
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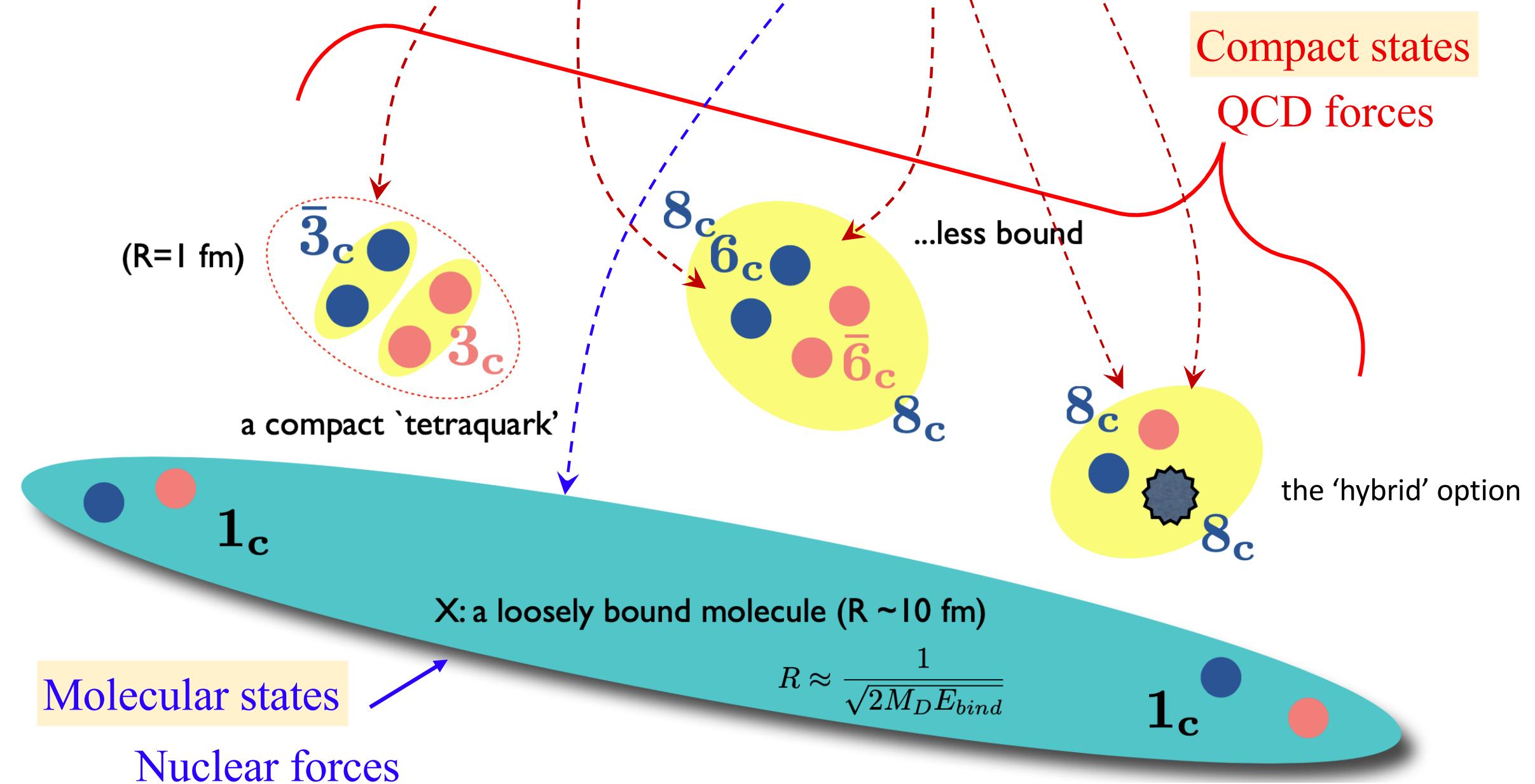
Other variants:



Reviews: Rev.Mod.Phys.90 (2018)015003
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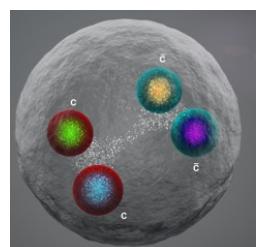
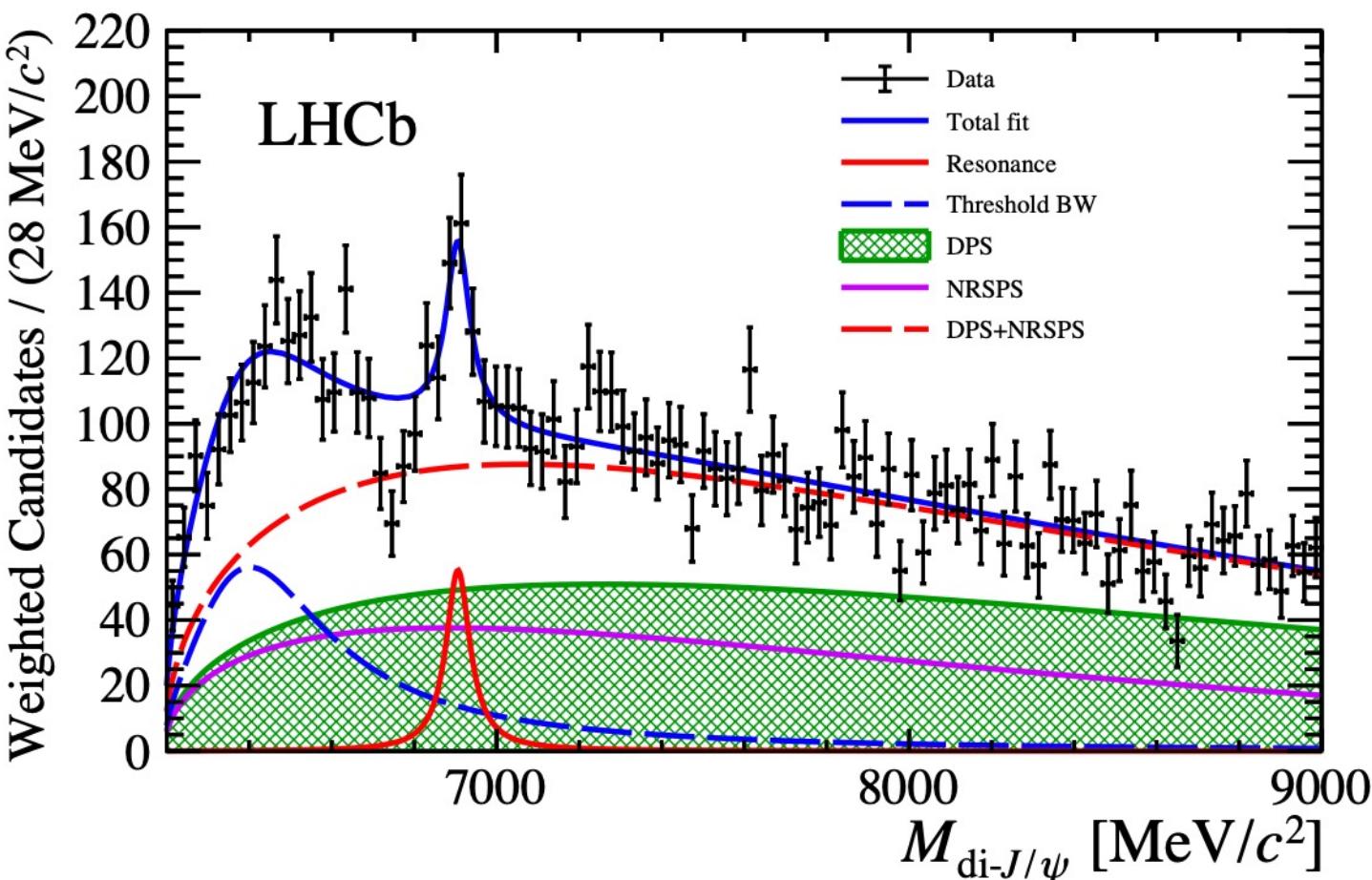
Color structure

Color: $qq \ 3 \otimes 3 = \bar{3} \oplus 6$; $q\bar{q} \ 3 \otimes \bar{3} = 1 \oplus 8$; $g \ 8$



Observation of four-charm tetraquark state

- LHCb reported structure in di- J/ψ mass spectrum
 - With $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ quark content, first fully heavy tetraquark candidate

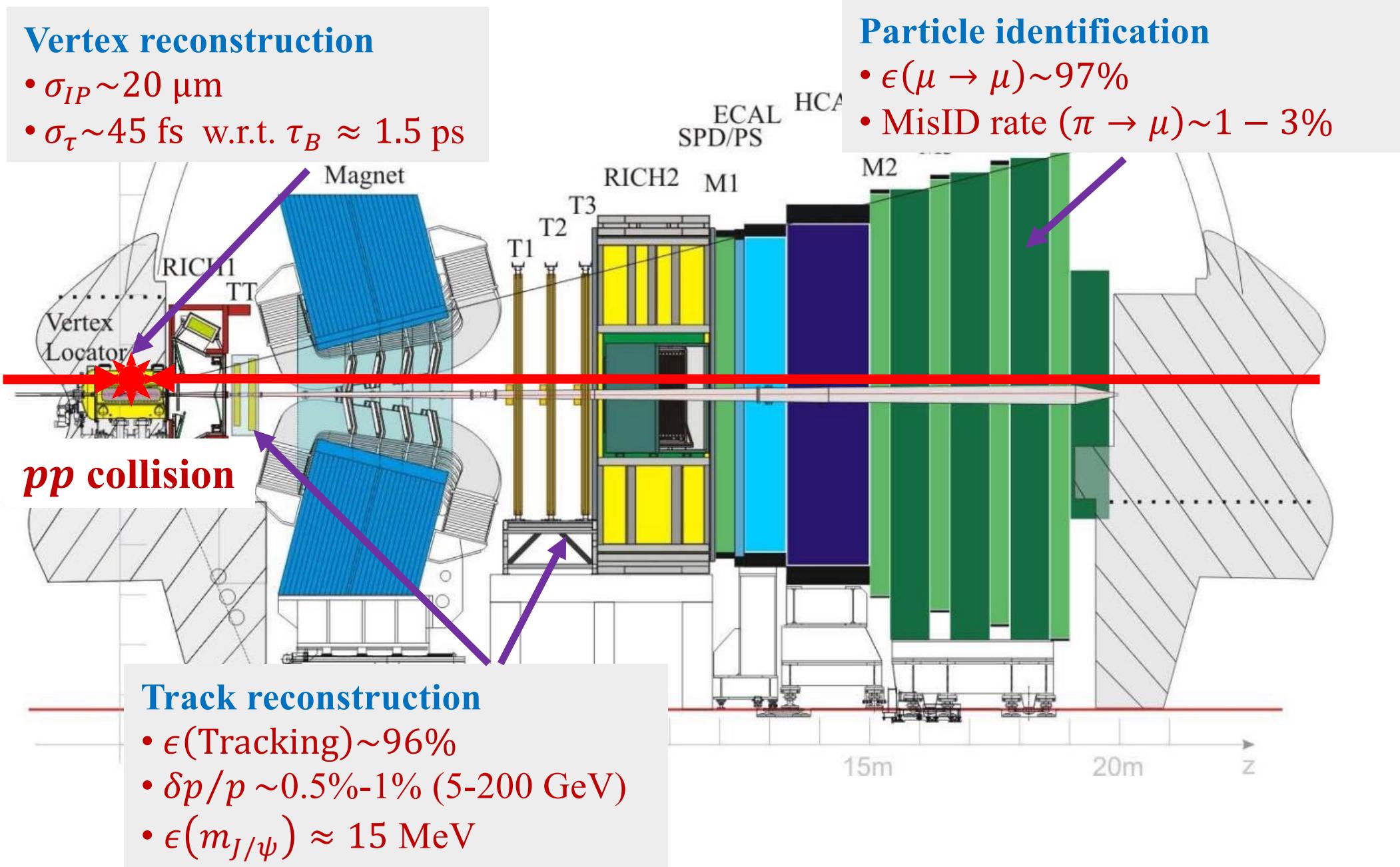


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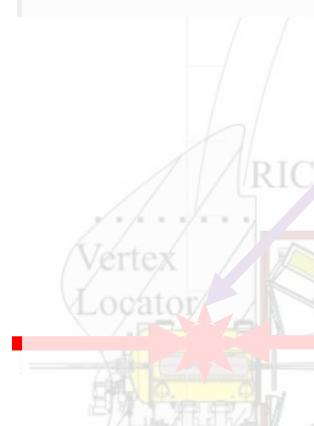
- ✓ Broad structure close to di- J/ψ mass threshold
- ✓ Narrow structure around 6900 MeV

- Heavy flavor experiment covering $2 < \eta < 5$



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Vertex reconstruction
 • $\sigma_{IP} \sim 20 \mu\text{m}$
 • $\sigma_\tau \sim 45 \text{ fs}$

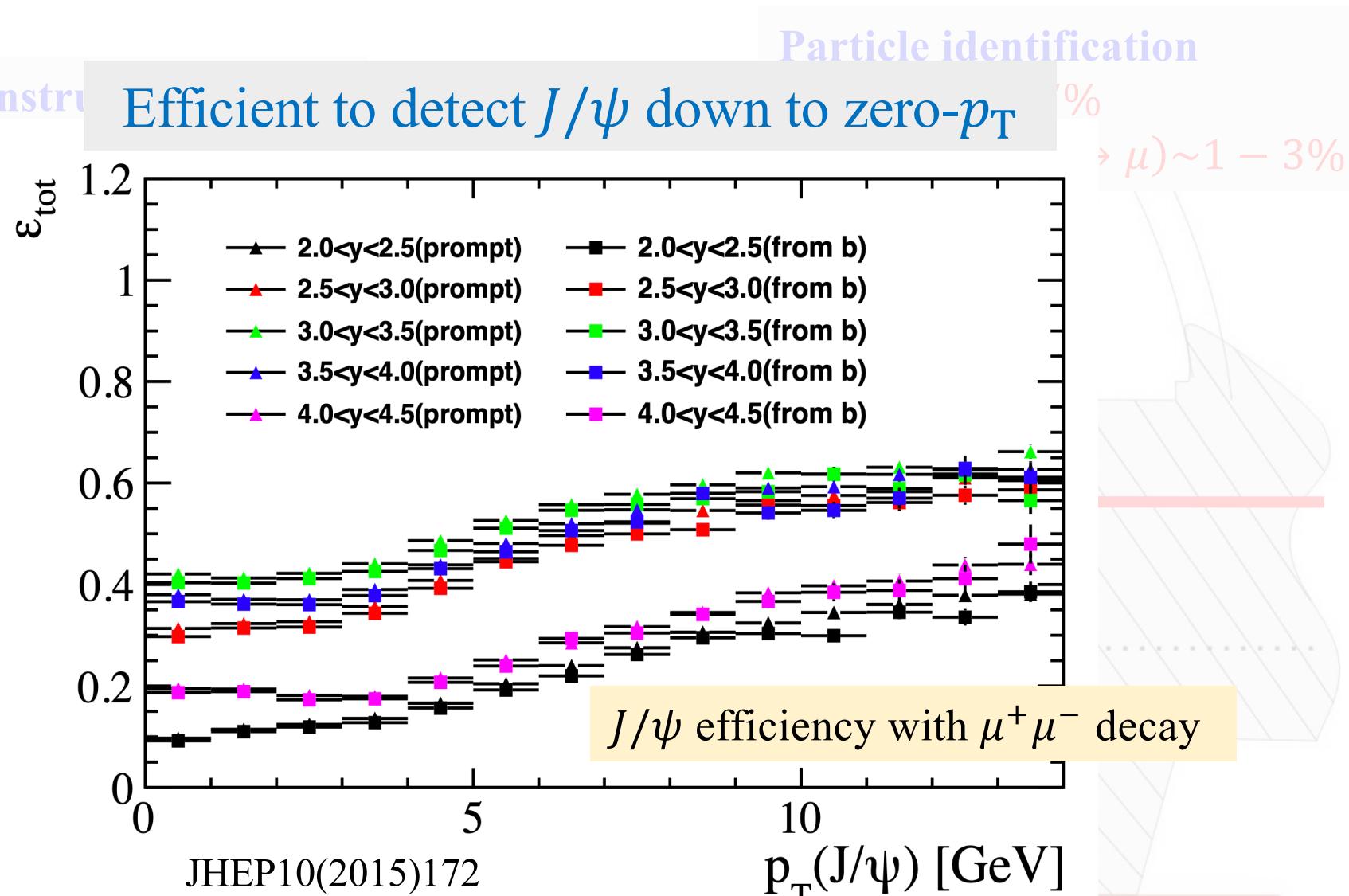


pp collision



Tracking

- $\epsilon(\text{Tracking}) \sim 96\%$
- $\delta p/p \sim 0.5\% - 1\% (5-200 \text{ GeV})$



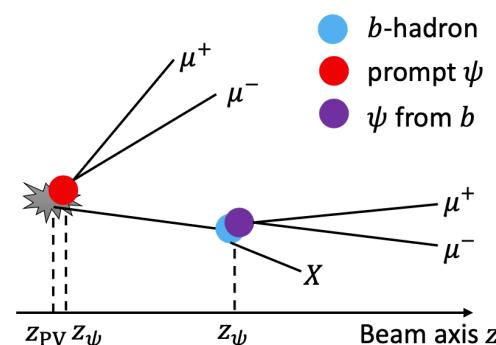
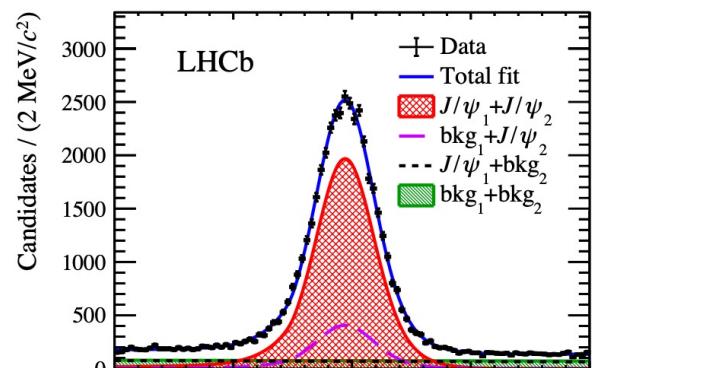
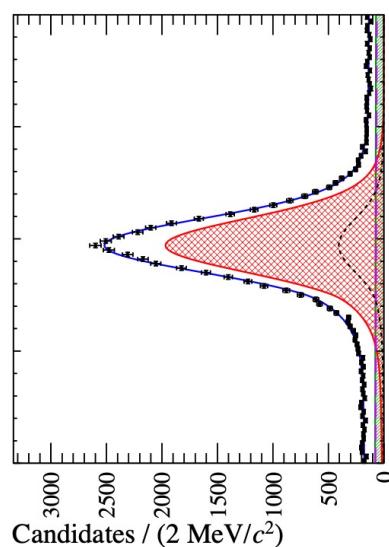
Di- J/ψ sample at LHCb

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- Full LHCb Run1 ($\sqrt{s} = 7, 8 \text{ TeV}$, 3 fb^{-1}) and Run2 data ($\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$, 6 fb^{-1})

J/ ψ -from- b background suppressed using vertexing information

About 34K di- J/ψ signals

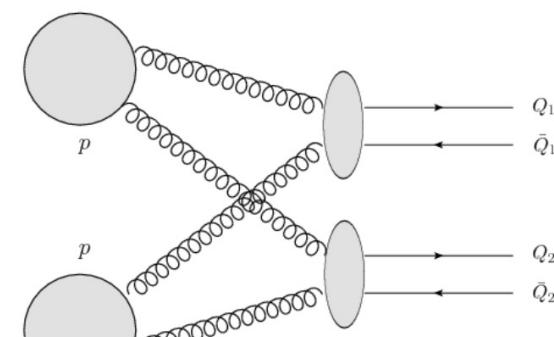


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Two production processes

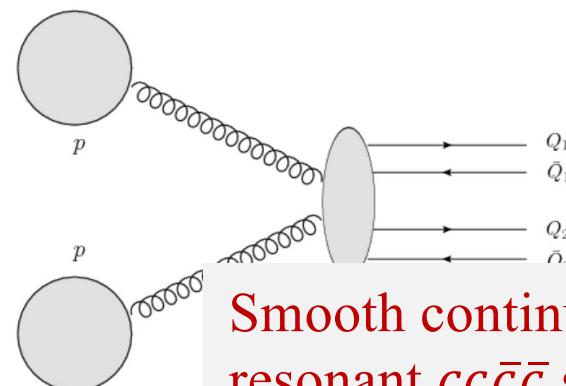
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Double Parton Scattering (DPS)



Smooth continuum

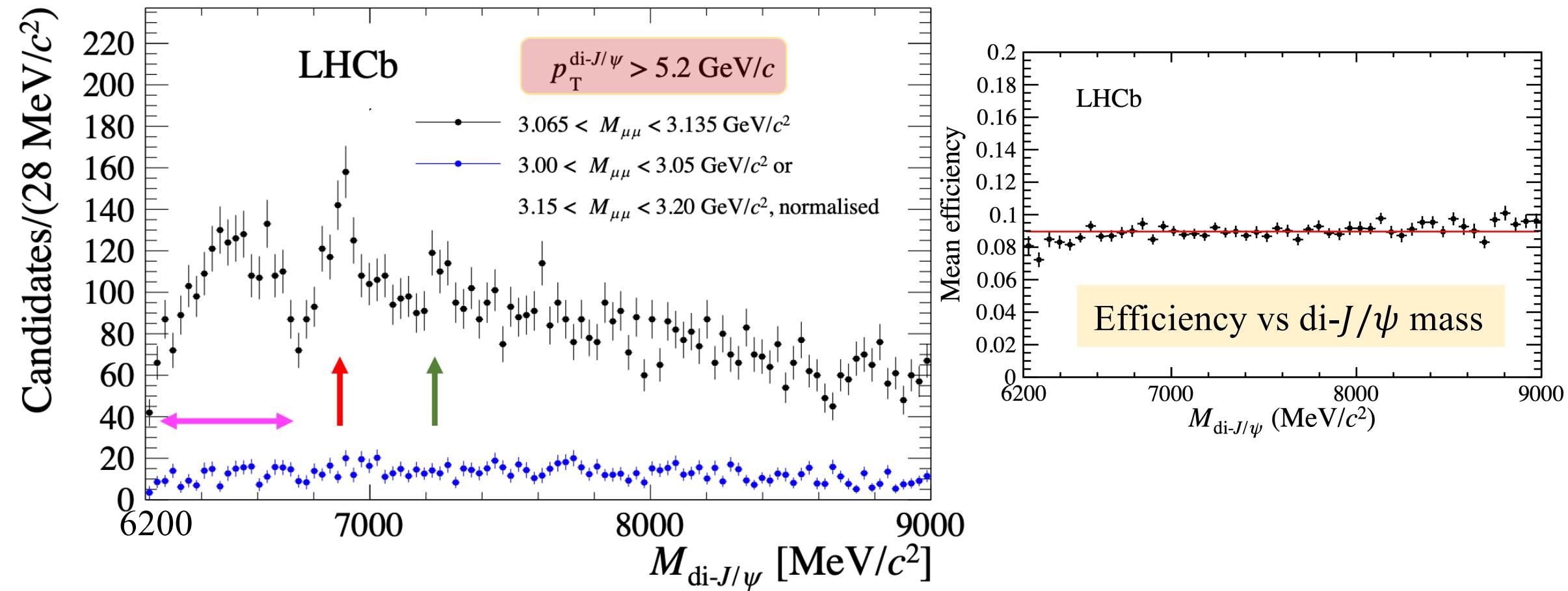
Single Parton Scattering (SPS)



Smooth continuum and resonant $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ structures.
Averagely large p_T

Di- J/ψ invariant mass (I)

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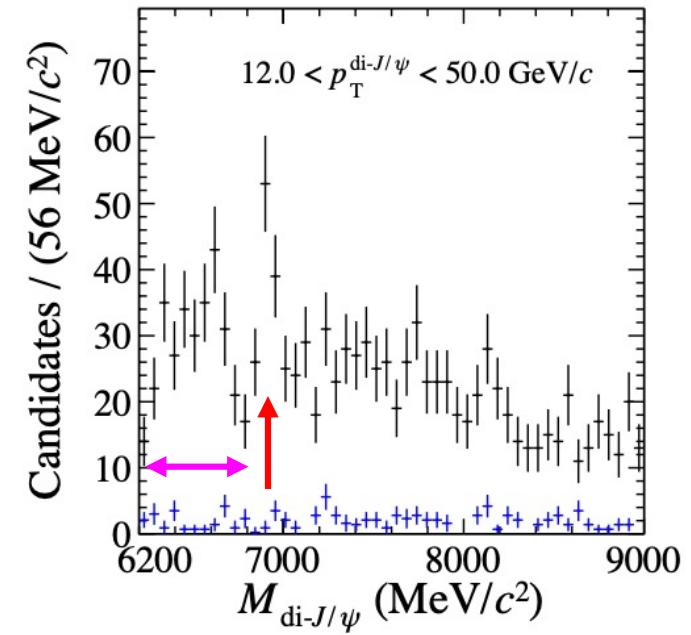
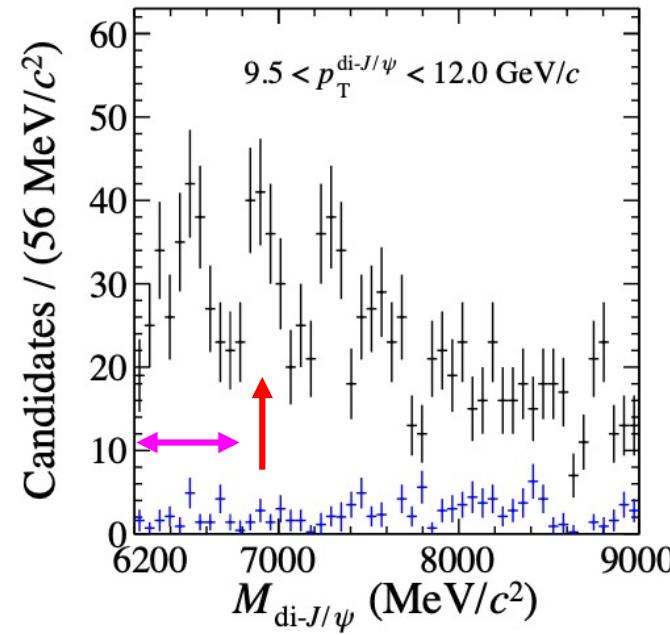
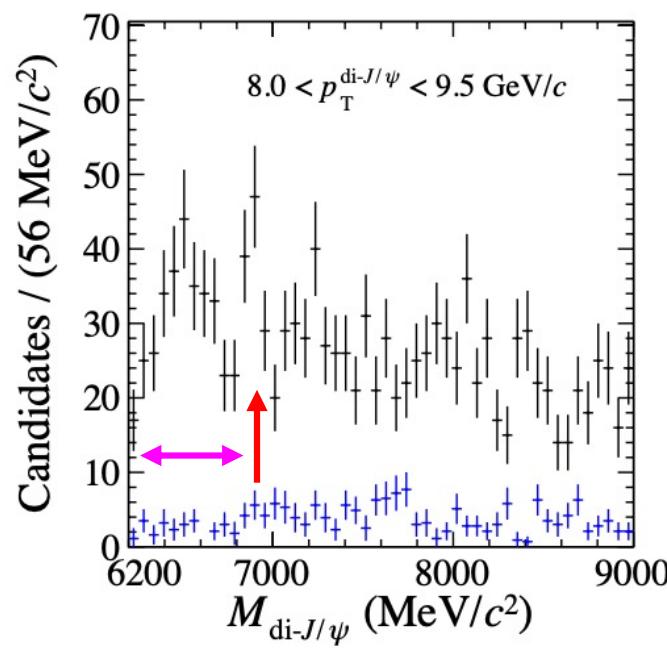
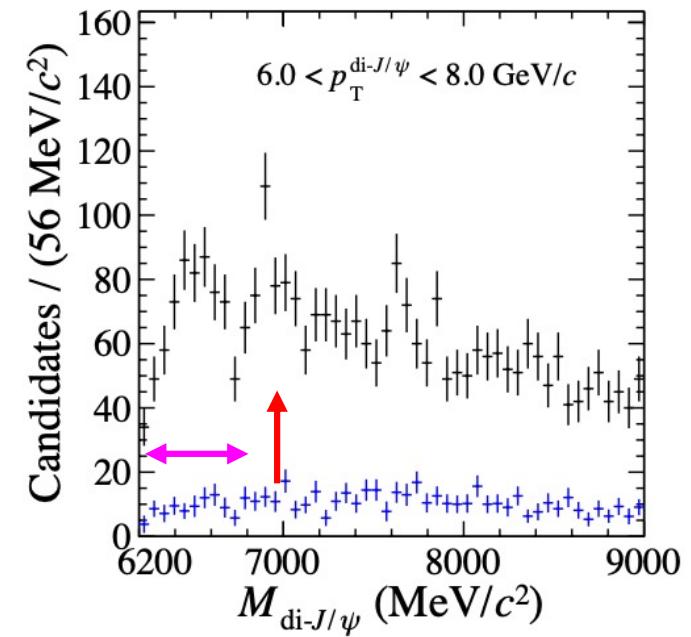
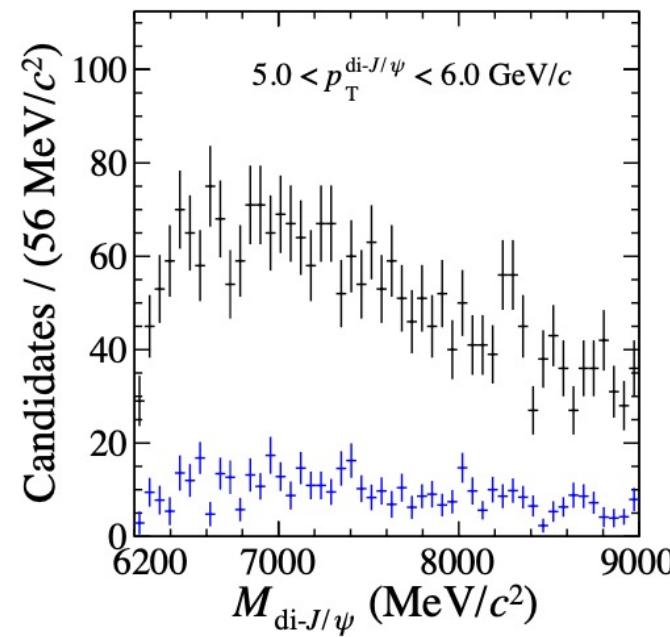
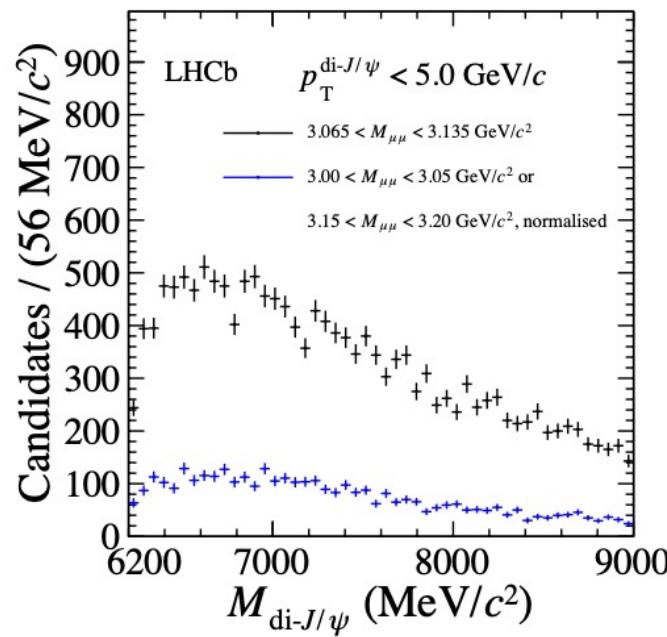
- Broad structure at 6.2 – 6.8 GeV close to di- J/ψ mass threshold
- Narrow peak at 6.9 GeV
- Hint of another structure at 7.2 GeV
- Structure not present in J/ψ background sample

Only marginal variation of efficiency in mass spectrum

Di- J/ψ invariant mass (II)

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- Same structures in all high di- J/ψ p_T bins, evidence increasing with p_T



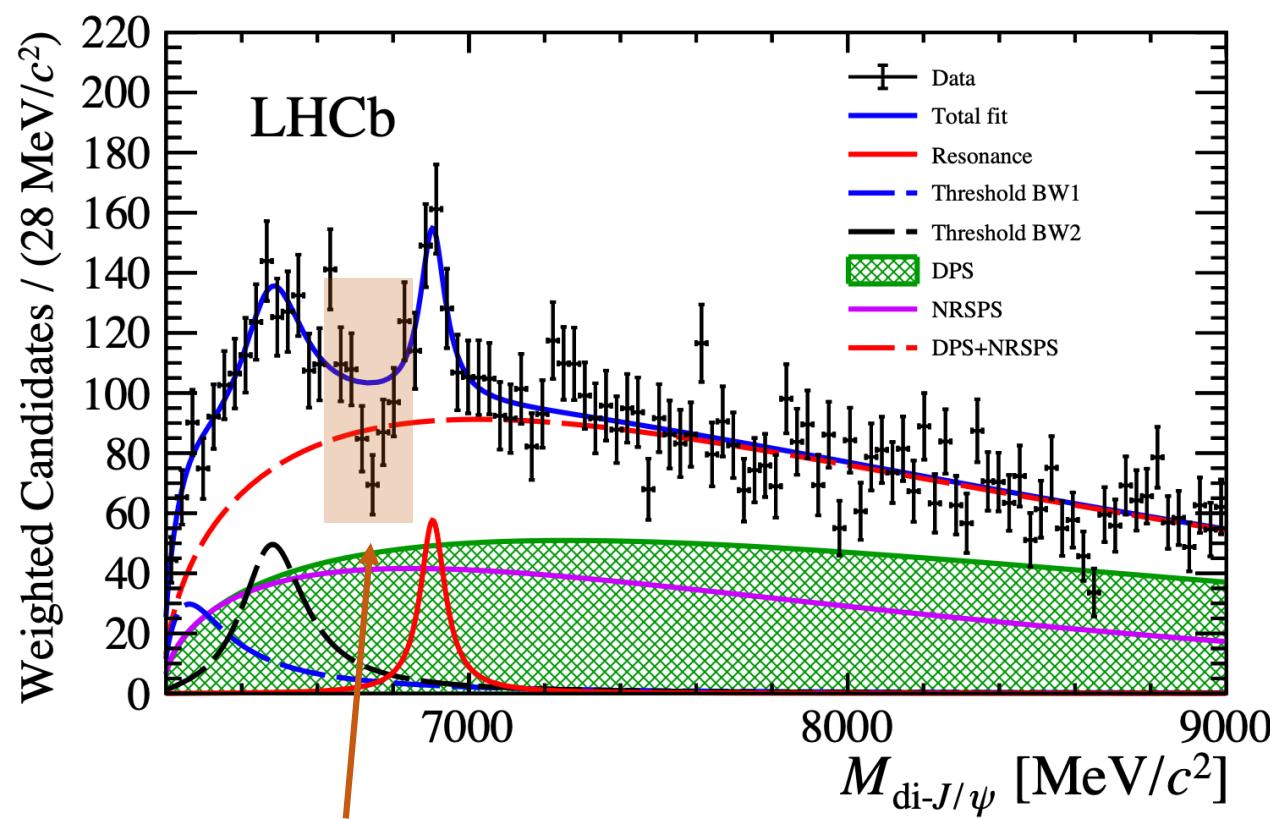
Di- J/ψ mass modeling: without interference

- Model components

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- DPS: constructed using single- J/ψ kinematics
- SPS continuum: two-body phase space times smooth exponential
- Threshold structure: two Breit-Wigner (BW) functions, **significance $> 6 \sigma$**
- Structure at 6.9 GeV: a single BW, **significance $> 5 \sigma$**

$$m[X(6900)] = 6905 \pm 11 \pm 7 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \quad \Gamma[X(6900)] = 80 \pm 19 \pm 33 \text{ MeV}$$



Difficulty to model the **dip at 6.8 GeV !**

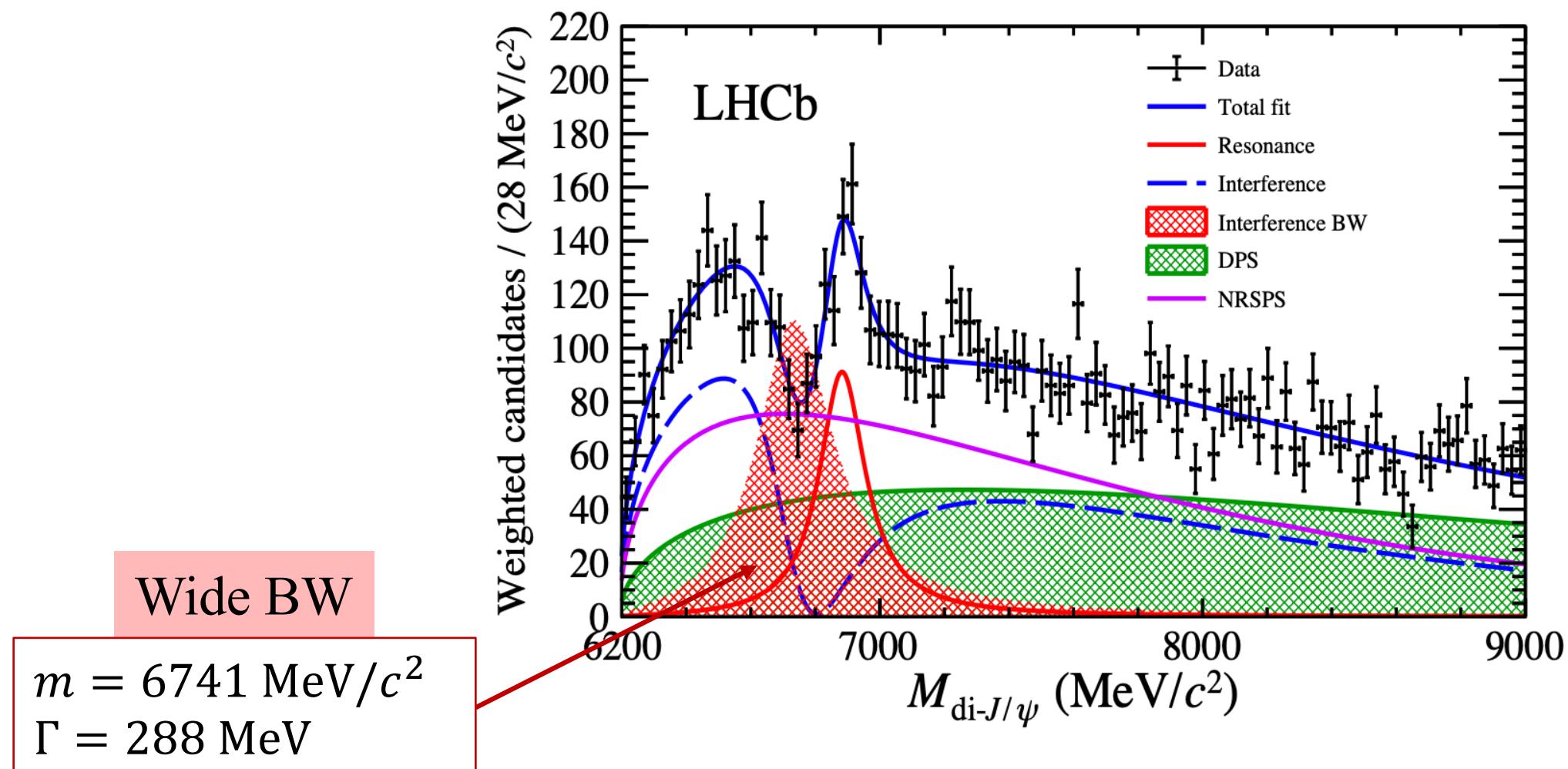
Di- J/ψ mass modeling: with interference

- A wide BW **interfering** with SPS, a second BW for 6.9 GeV peak

$$m[X(6900)] = 6886 \pm 11 \pm 11 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \quad \Gamma[X(6900)] = 168 \pm 33 \pm 69 \text{ MeV}$$

- Overall good fit with dip well described, $P(\chi^2)$ increases to 15.5%
- **Caveat:** too simple, SPS assumed to have J^P of the wide BW

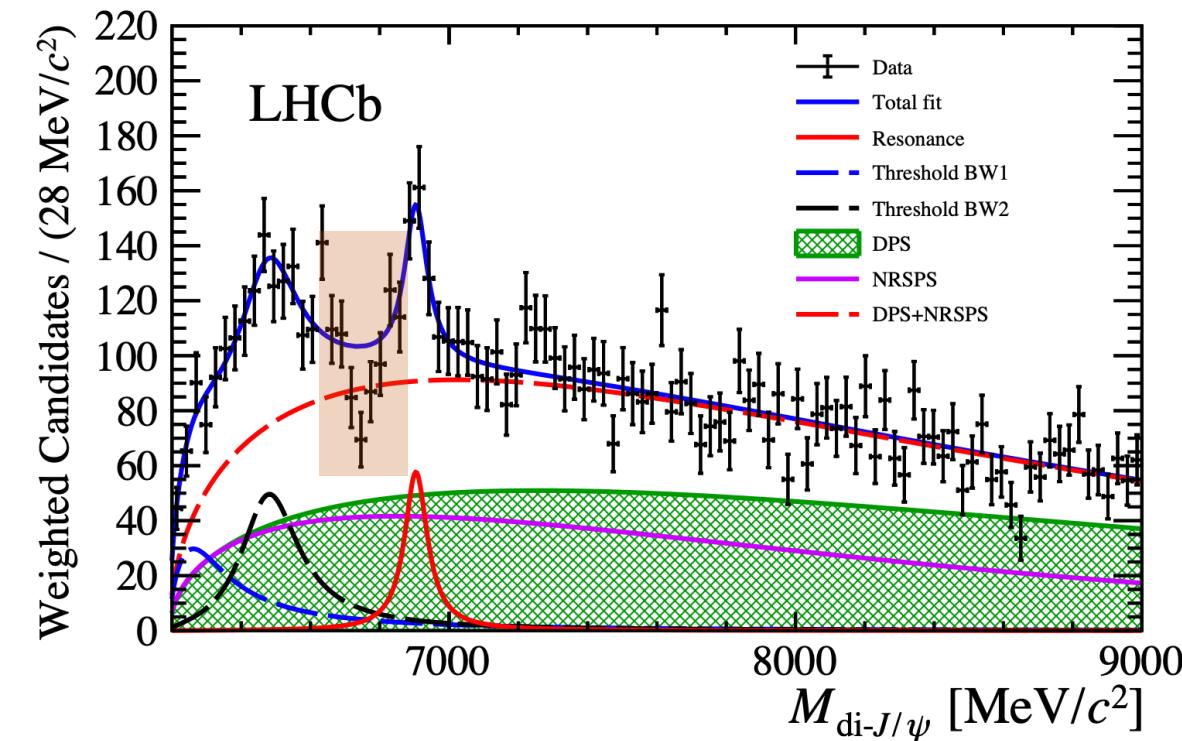
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Model comparison

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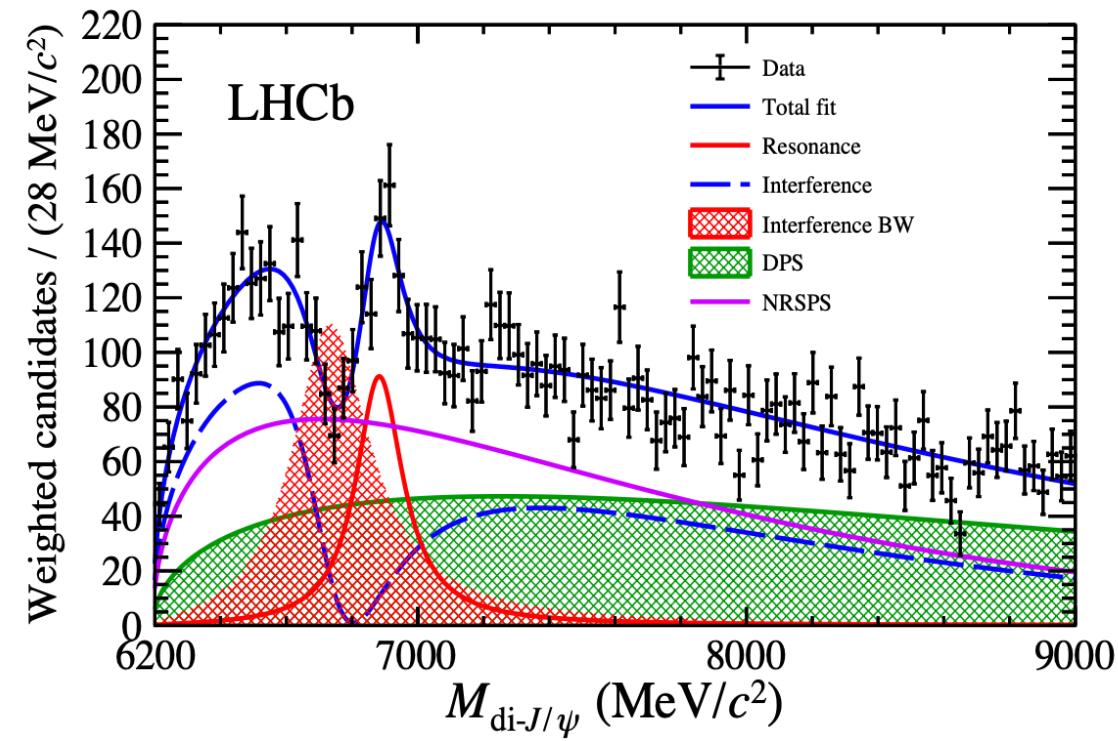
SPS+DPS+2BW(threshold)+BW(6900)



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|SPS+BW(threshold)|+DPS+BW(6900)



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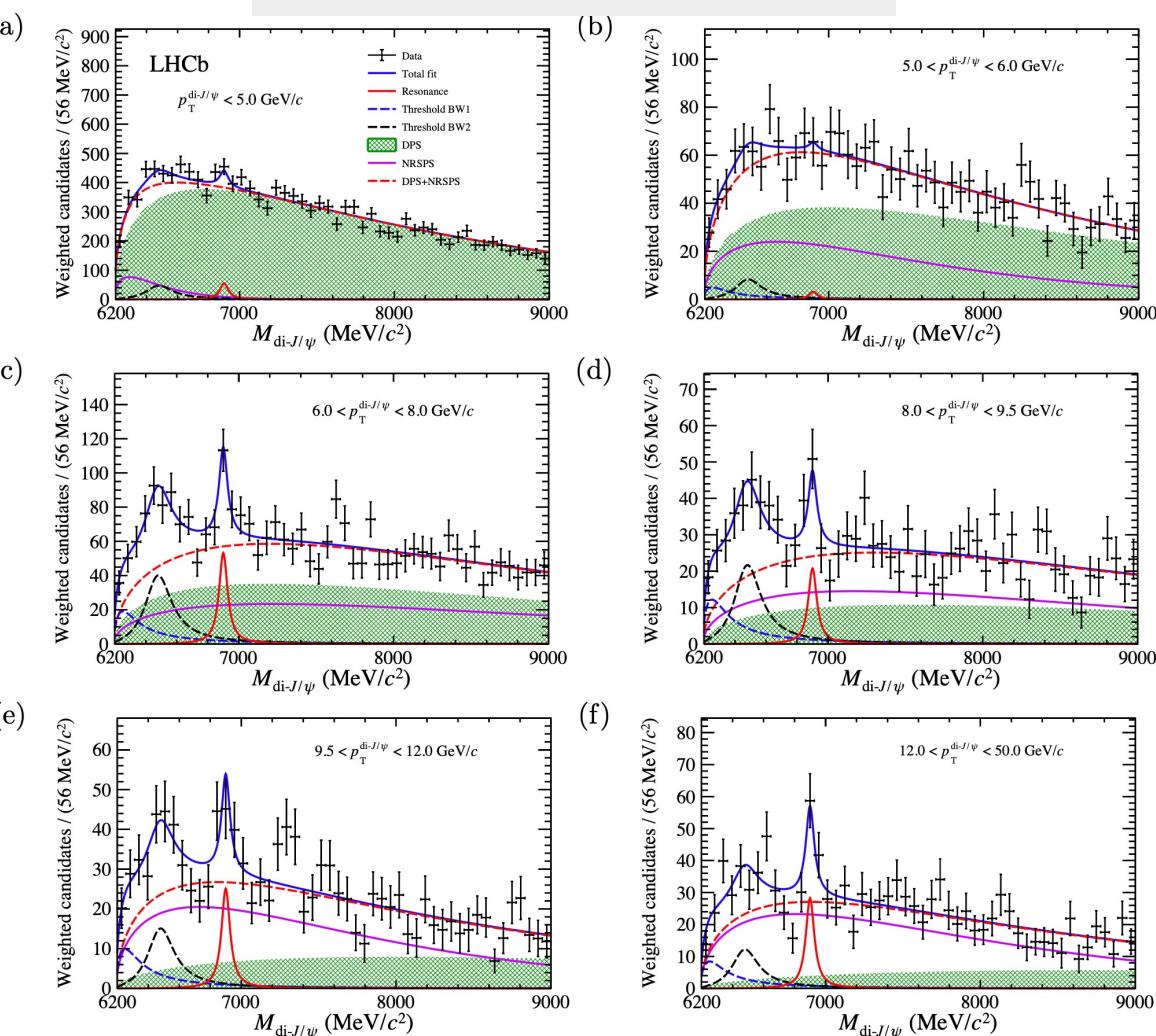
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Fits in di- J/ψ p_T bins

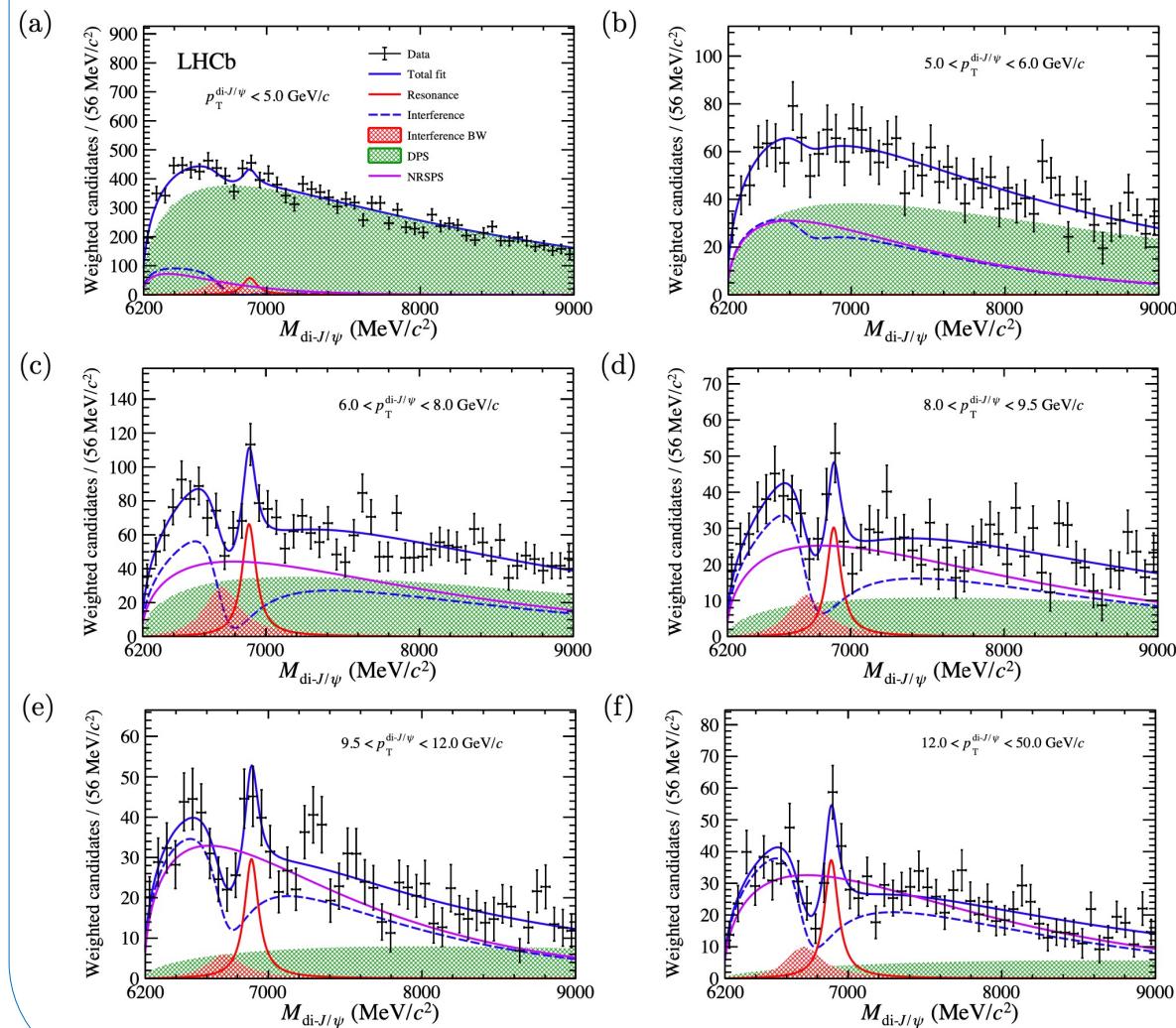
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- Parameters of BW functions shared by all bins
- Mass spectrum in different p_T bins well described simultaneously

Without interference



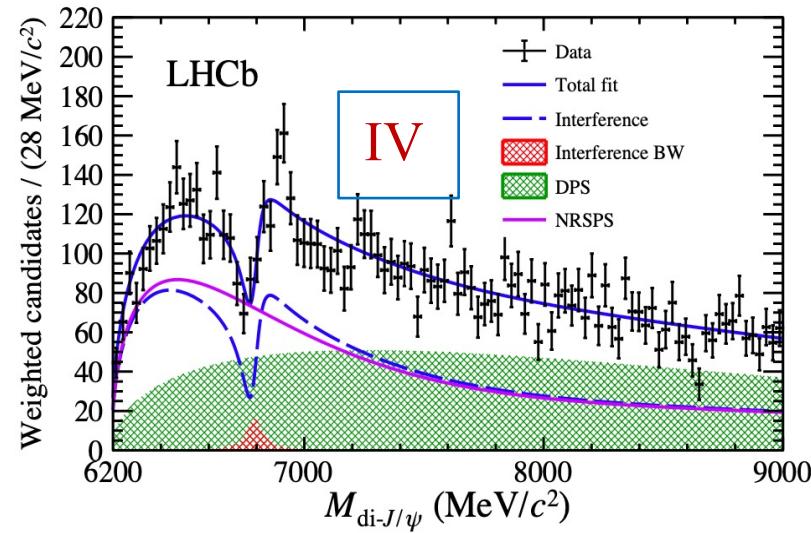
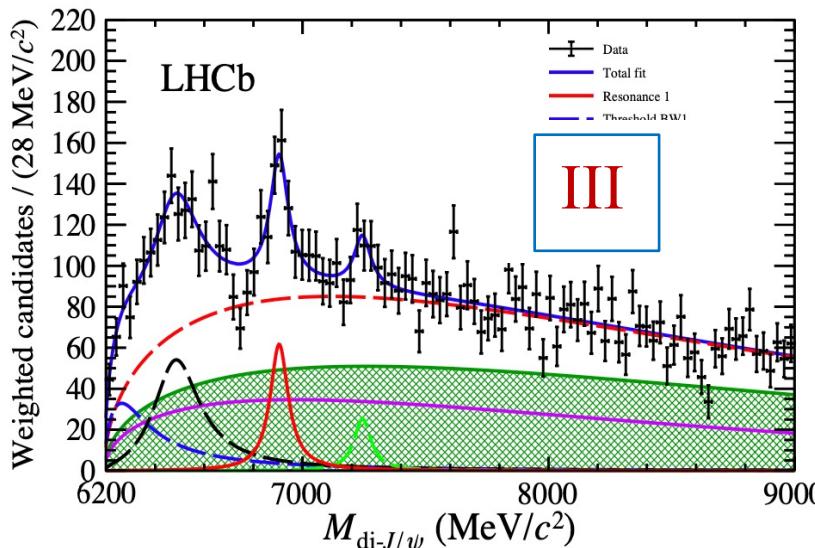
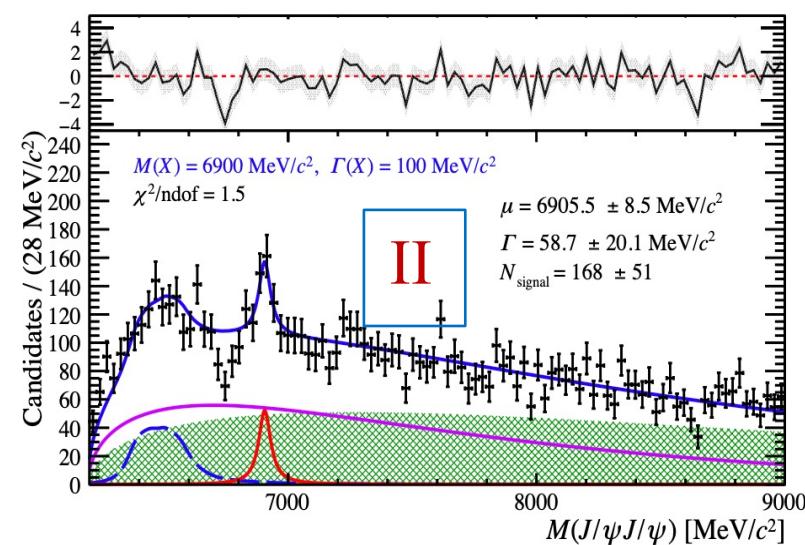
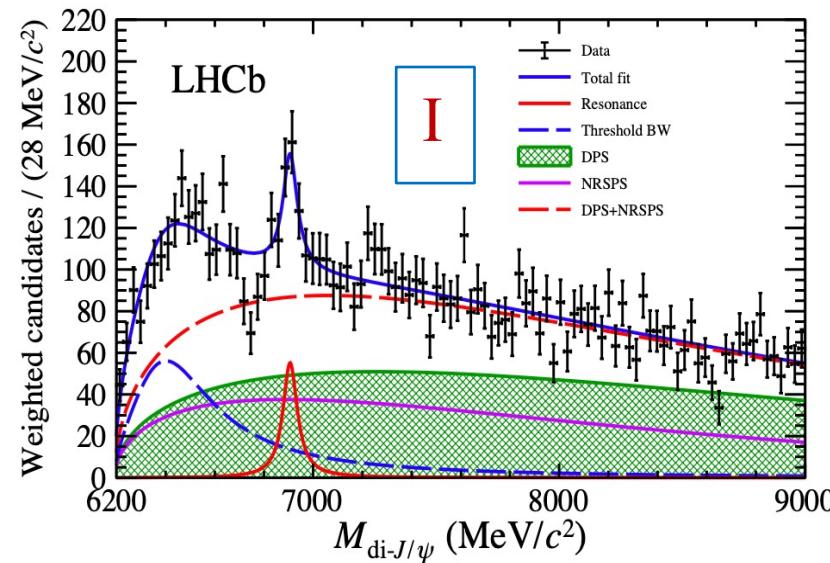
With interference of wide BW and SPS



Other models

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- I. Only one BW for threshold structure, $P(\chi^2) = 1.2\%$
- II. Threshold structure due to feed-down decays of excited charmonia (e.g. $\chi_c J/\psi$)
- III. Including a component for 7.2 GeV peak (significance $< 1\sigma$)
- IV. Only one BW, interfering with SPS, $P(\chi^2) = 2.8\%$



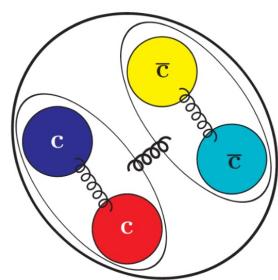
- Nontrivial structures in the spectrum
- Structure at threshold: one BW, two BWs or distribution due to feed-down from excited states
- Structure at 6.9 GeV, $X(6900)$: consistent with a BW, shape parameters affected by models for threshold structure
- Evidence of interference between a BW and SPS
- $X(6900)$ production

$$R \equiv \frac{\sigma_X \times \mathcal{B}[X \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi]}{\sigma_{J/\psi J/\psi}} = [1.1 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.3]\% \\ \text{or } [2.6 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.8]\% \text{ for } p_T > 5.2 \text{ GeV}$$

Results under non-interference hypothesis
Measured cross-section approximately scales with relative yields

Interpreted as compact tetraquarks

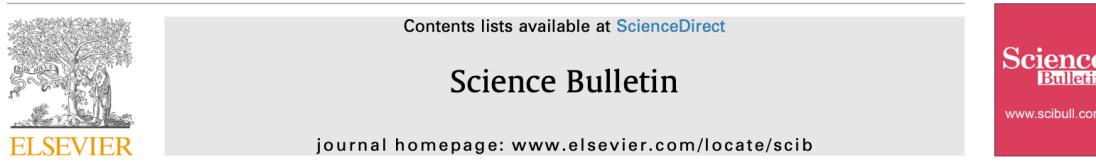
- $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ tetraquarks predicted after charm quark discovery



Y. Iwasaki, *Is a state $c\bar{c}c\bar{c}$ found at 6.0 GeV?*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **36** (1976) 1266.

K.-T. Chao, *The (cc) - $(\bar{c}\bar{c})$ (diquark-antidiquark) states in e^+e^- annihilation*, Z. Phys. C **7** (1981) 317.

- Supported by known properties of the strong interaction



News & Views

J/ψ -pair resonances by LHCb: a new revolution?

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That the 6.9 GeV resonance is a hadron molecule or a threshold cusp seems to me rather unlikely possibilities. There are no known color singlet, light particles that may be exchanged between two charmonia to produce binding or final state interactions. What can we say assuming that the resonance(s) seen in Fig. 1 are fully charm tetraquarks?



News & Views

The possible tetraquark states $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ observed by the LHCb experiment

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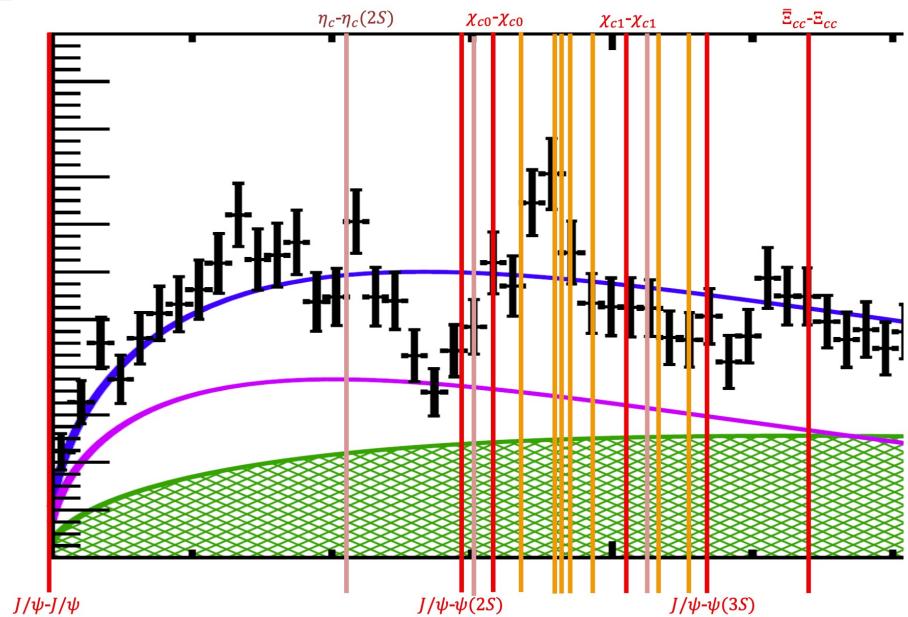
exchanges with small binding energies. Namely, the T_{4c} structures do not suffer any complications from the channel coupling and chiral dynamics. These signals may be good candidates of the “genuine” compact tetraquark states arising from the quark-gluon interaction in QCD [15–20].

- Dedicated analyses: $X(6900)$ as first radial excitation, 1P or 2S $T_{cc\bar{c}\bar{c}}$ state

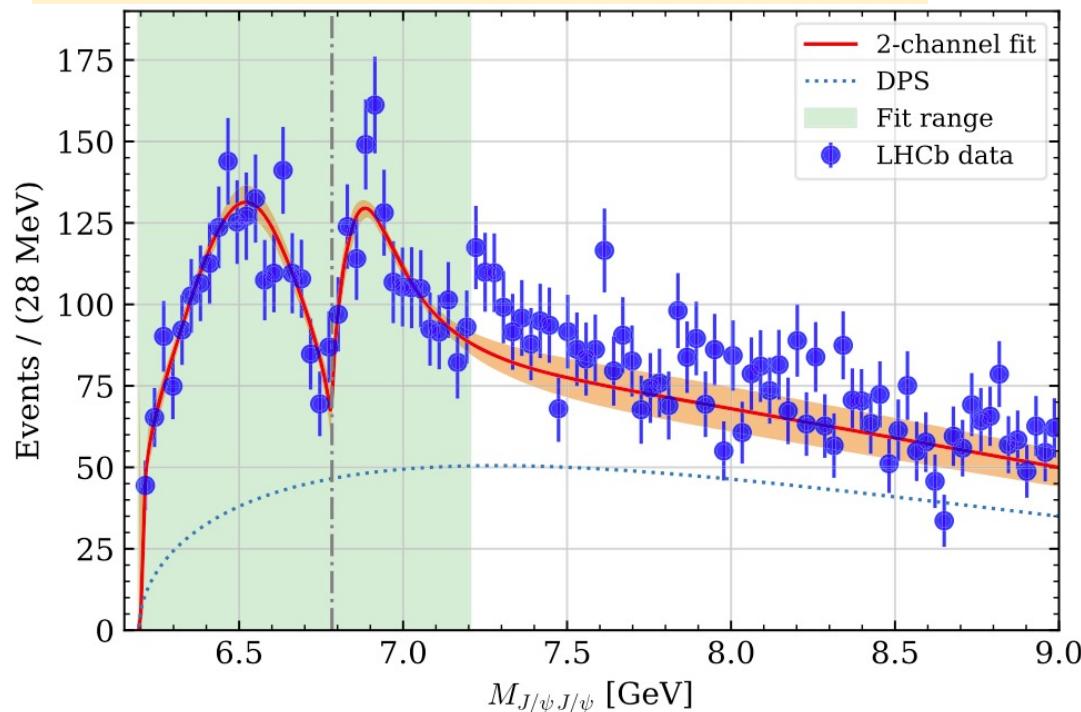
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Coupled channel rescattering

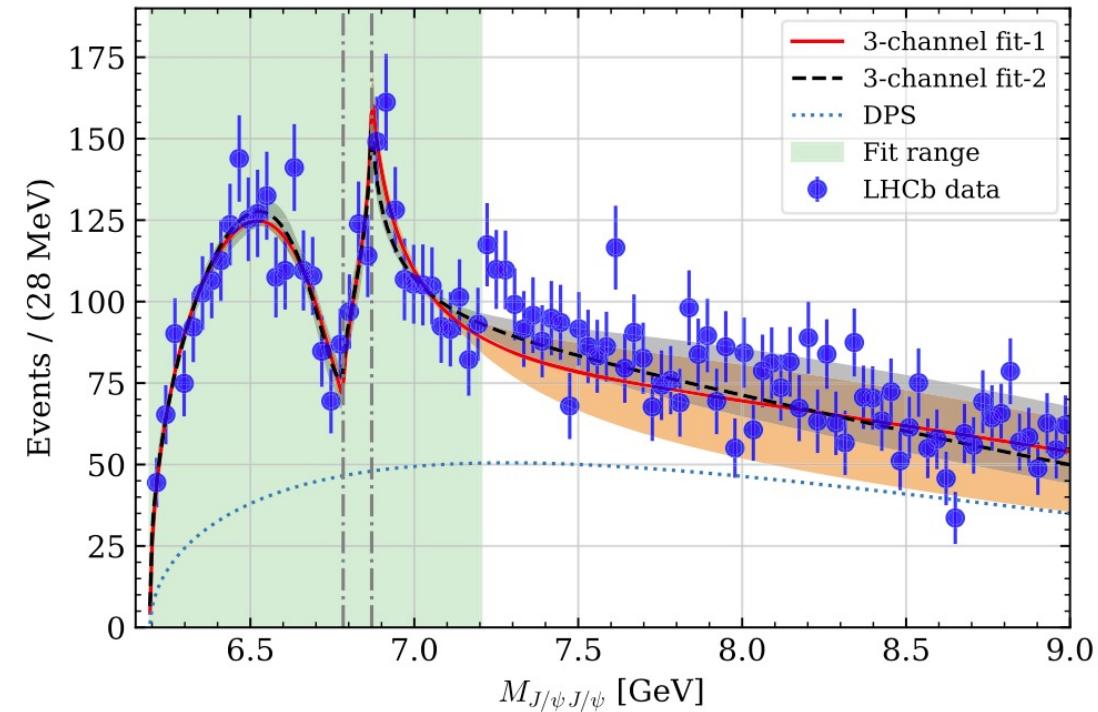
- A few thresholds around $X(6900)$
- LHCb data fitted with di-charmonium rescattering
 - Existence of $X(6200)$, bound/virtual state
 - Dip due to $J/\psi\psi(2S)$ threshold
 - $X(6900)$ due to $J/\psi\psi(3770)$ threshold



Two channels: $J/\psi J/\psi + J/\psi\psi(2S)$



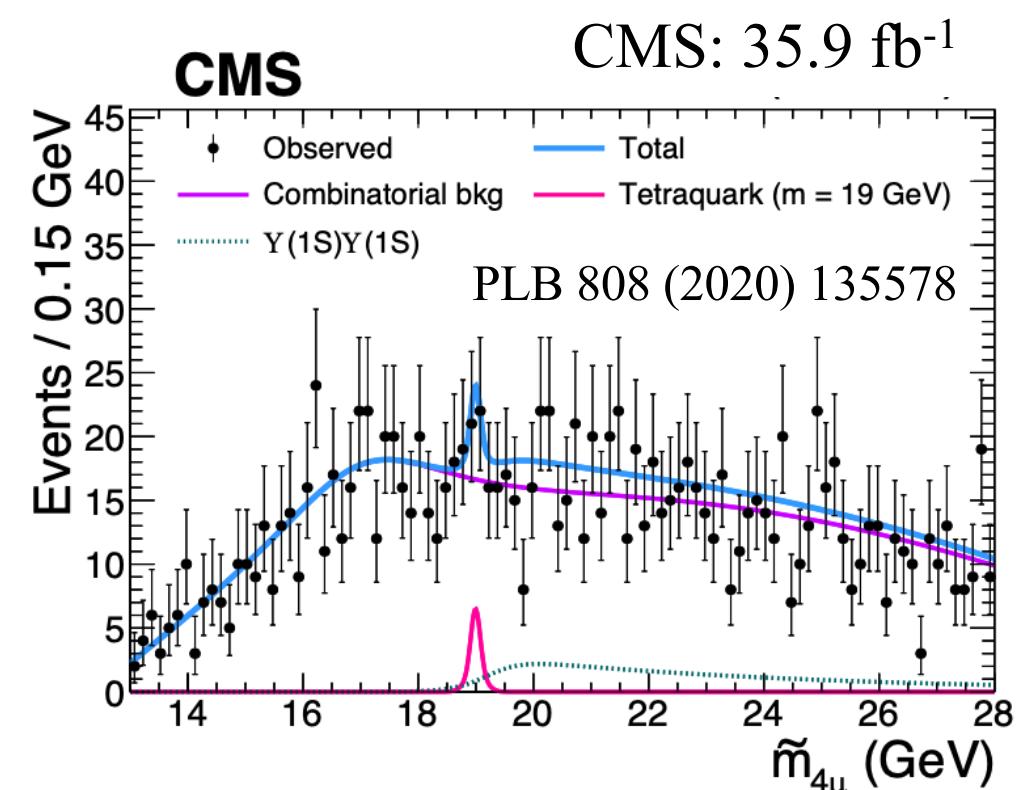
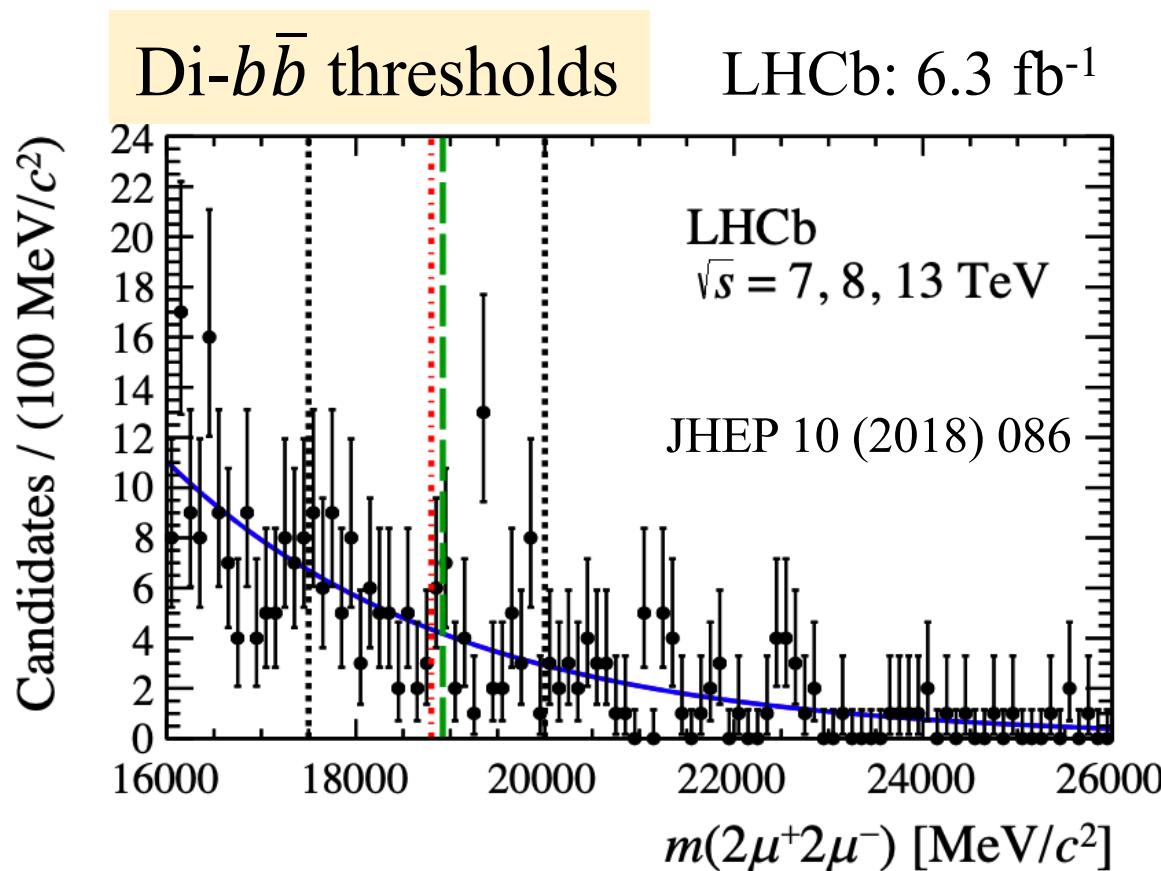
Three channels: $J/\psi J/\psi + J/\psi\psi(2S) + J/\psi\psi(3770)$



[PRL126(2021)132001, PRL127(2021)119901, PRD104(2021)034034]

Search for $T_{bb\bar{b}\bar{b}}$ state

- Studied in $\Upsilon\mu^+\mu^-$ final state by LHCb and CMS

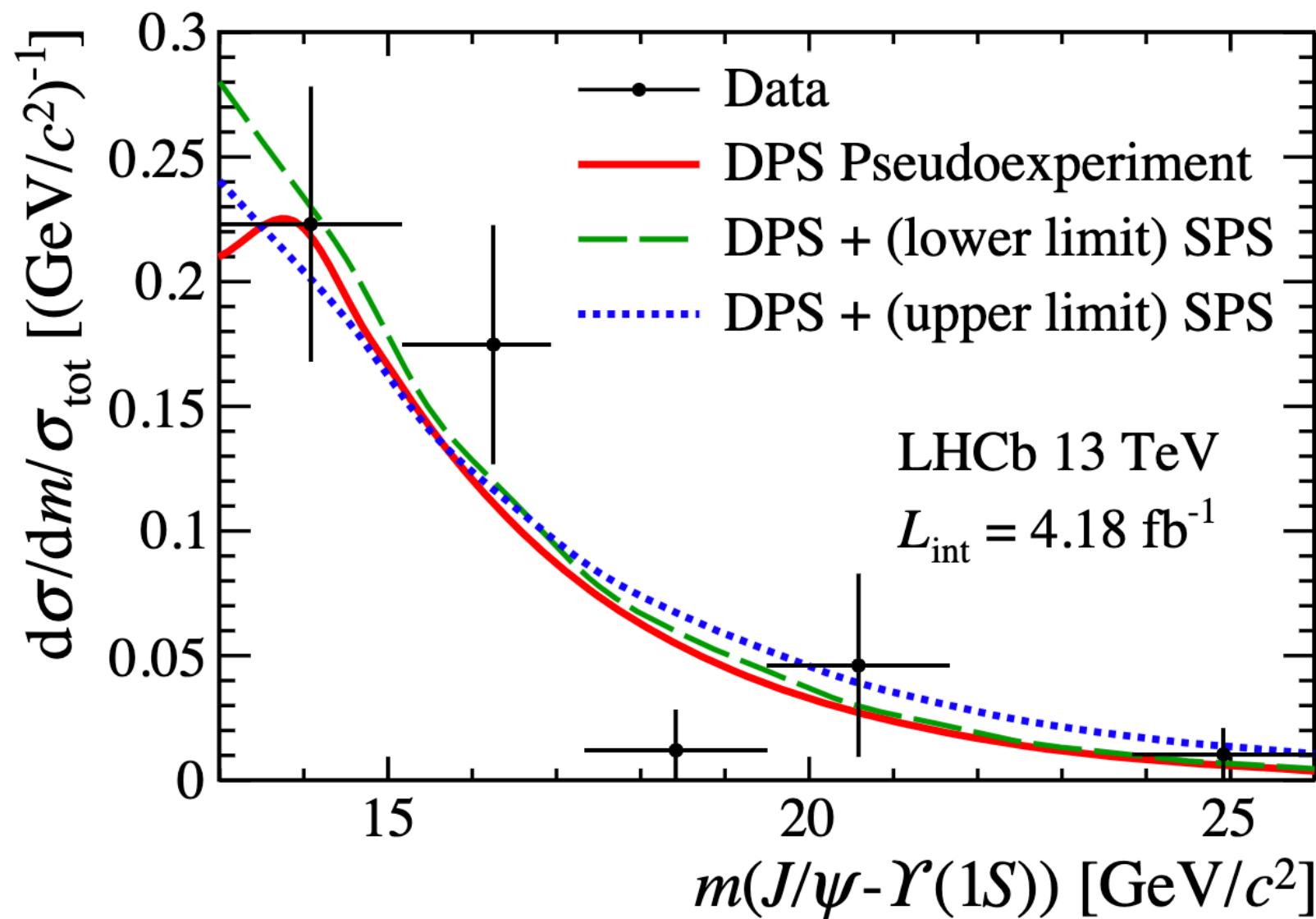


No obvious signals, eager to see full data analysis at CMS/ATLAS

Search for $T_{bc\bar{b}\bar{c}}$ state

LHCb-PAPER-2022-047
arXiv:2305.15580

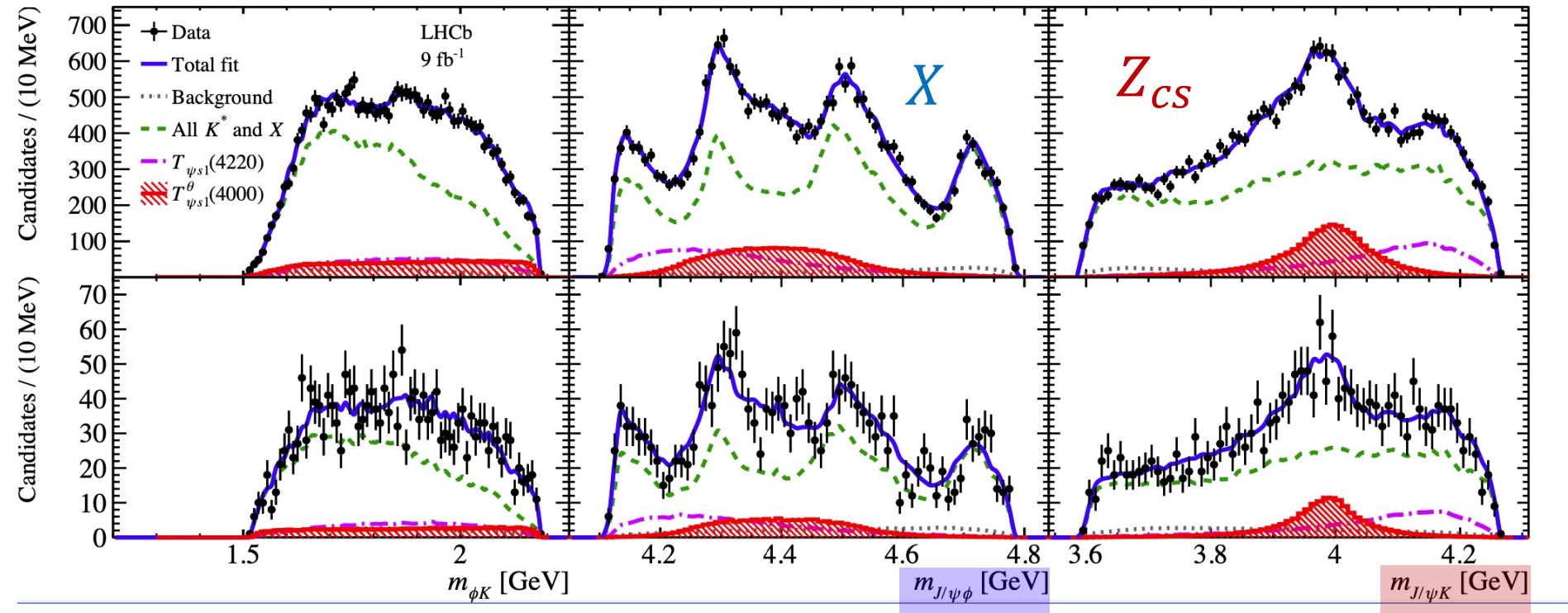
- Statistics too low to seen any structure in $J/\psi - \gamma$ mass spectrum
- Data consistent with DPS dominating production



$T_{sc\bar{s}\bar{c}}$ -states?

PRL127(2021)082001
and arXiv:2301.04899

- Six $X \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$ and two $Z_{cs} \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$ states observed in $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\phi K^+$
- Similarity with $T_{cc\bar{c}\bar{c}}$: allowed J^{PC} of $X \rightarrow VV$. More states in di- J/ψ spectrum?

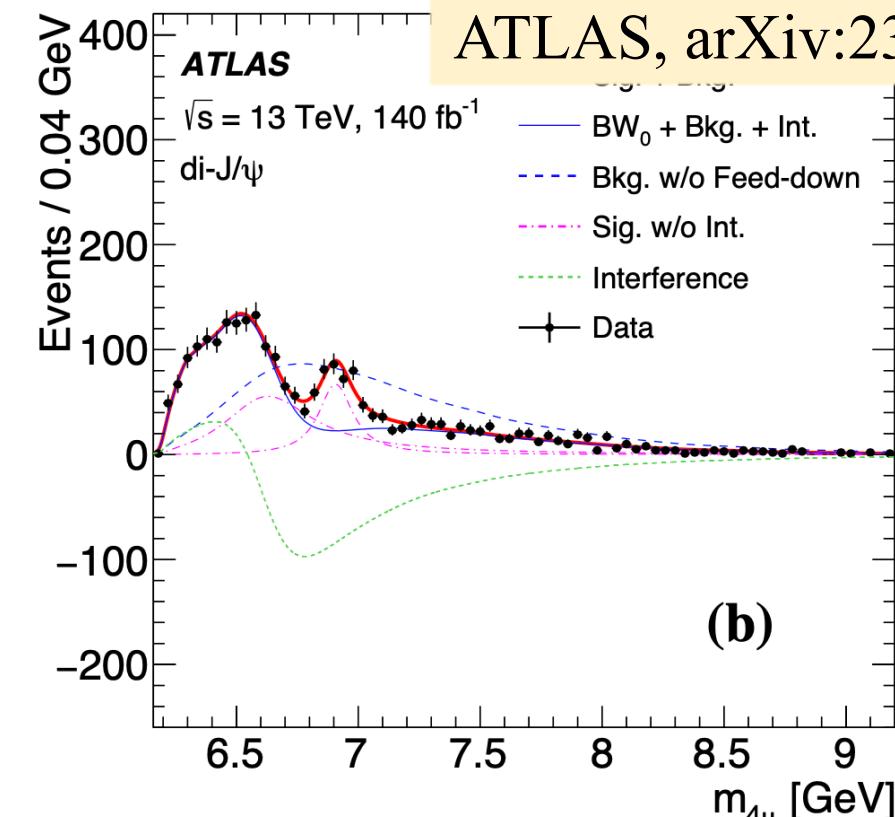
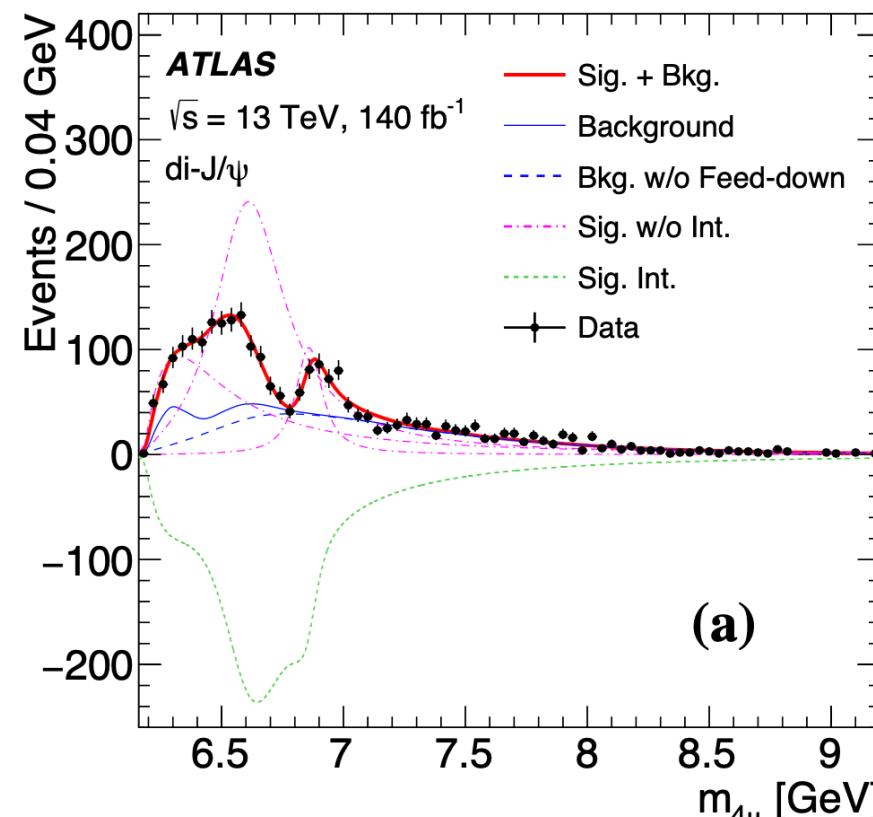
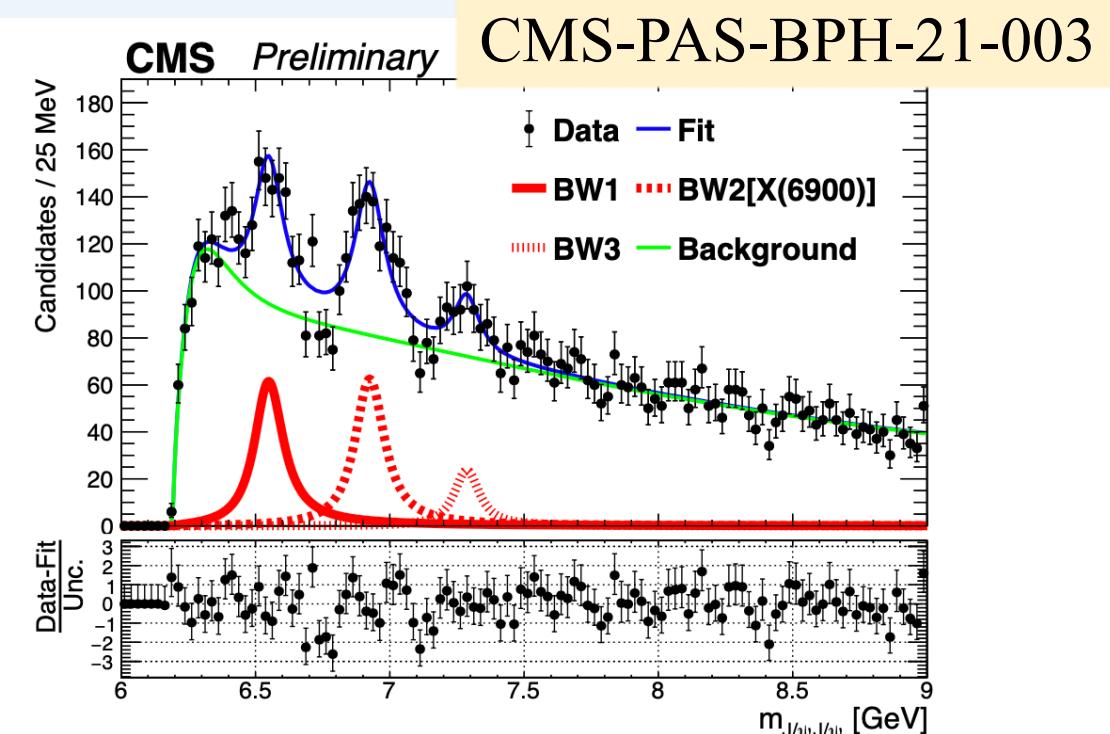
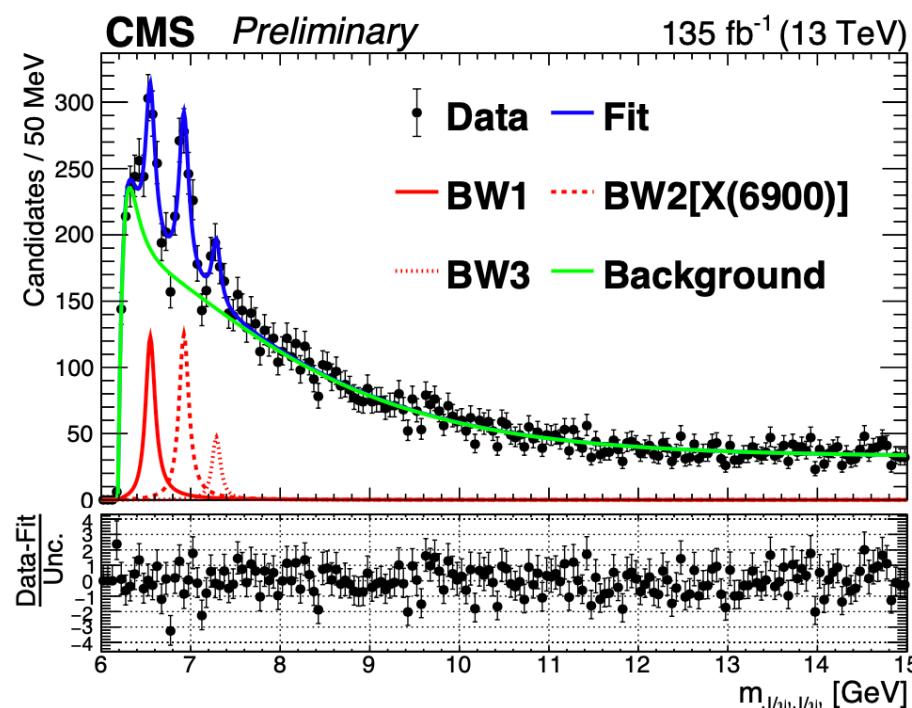


Contribution	Significance [$\times\sigma$]	M_0 [MeV]	Γ_0 [MeV]	FF [%]
$X(2^-)$				
$X(4150)$	4.8 (8.7)	$4146 \pm 18 \pm 33$	$135 \pm 28^{+59}_{-30}$	$2.0 \pm 0.5^{+0.8}_{-1.0}$
$X(1^-)$				
$X(4630)$	5.5 (5.7)	$4626 \pm 16^{+18}_{-110}$	$174 \pm 27^{+134}_{-73}$	$2.6 \pm 0.5^{+2.9}_{-1.5}$
All $X(0^+)$				
$X(4500)$	20 (20)	$4474 \pm 3 \pm 3$	$77 \pm 6^{+10}_{-8}$	$5.6 \pm 0.7^{+2.4}_{-0.6}$
$X(4700)$	17 (18)	$4694 \pm 4^{+16}_{-3}$	$87 \pm 8^{+16}_{-6}$	$8.9 \pm 1.2^{+4.9}_{-1.4}$
$NR_{J/\psi\phi}$	4.8 (5.7)			$28 \pm 8^{+19}_{-11}$
All $X(1^+)$				
$X(4140)$	13 (16)	$4118 \pm 11^{+19}_{-36}$	$162 \pm 21^{+24}_{-49}$	$17 \pm 3^{+19}_{-6}$
$X(4274)$	18 (18)	$4294 \pm 4^{+3}_{-6}$	$53 \pm 5 \pm 5$	$2.8 \pm 0.5^{+0.8}_{-0.4}$
$X(4685)$	15 (15)	$4684 \pm 7^{+13}_{-16}$	$126 \pm 15^{+37}_{-41}$	$7.2 \pm 1.0^{+4.0}_{-2.0}$

Z_{cs}

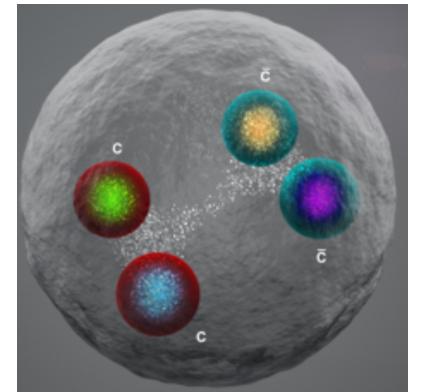
Contribution	Significance [$\times\sigma$]	M_0 [MeV]	Γ_0 [MeV]	FF [%]
All $Z_{cs}(1^+)$				$25 \pm 5^{+11}_{-12}$
$Z_{cs}(4000)$	15 (16)	$4003 \pm 6^{+4}_{-14}$	$131 \pm 15 \pm 26$	$9.4 \pm 2.1 \pm 3.4$
$Z_{cs}(4220)$	5.9 (8.4)	$4216 \pm 24^{+43}_{-30}$	$233 \pm 52^{+97}_{-73}$	$10 \pm 4^{+10}_{-7}$

ATLAS and CMS reproduction



Summary

- Observed structure $X(6900)$ in di- J/ψ mass spectrum, consistent with fully charmed tetraquark $T_{cc\bar{c}\bar{c}}$
- Threshold structure: a few possible interpretations
 - One BW, combination of two BWs, feed-down
- $X(6900)$ Breit-Wigner properties:



Fit without interference:

$$m[X(6900)] = 6905 \pm 11 \pm 7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma[X(6900)] = 80 \pm 19 \pm 33 \text{ MeV}$$

$$R = [1.1 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.3]\%$$

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Fit with interference:

$$m[X(6900)] = 6886 \pm 11 \pm 11 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma[X(6900)] = 168 \pm 33 \pm 69 \text{ MeV}$$

- Looking forward to Run3 data and synergies with CMS/ATLAS analyses

Thank you for your attention

Backup slides

- Combinatorial backgrounds show smooth J/ψ -pair mass distribution
- Structures are stable with respect to different data-taking periods
- Residual backgrounds with multiple use of muon track produce no such structure
- Residual contamination from b -hadron decays has a smooth distribution
- Variation of detection efficiency with respect to mass is marginal
- Contribution from partially reconstructed $\gamma \rightarrow J/\psi X$ decays is expected to be negligibly small

Systematic uncertainties

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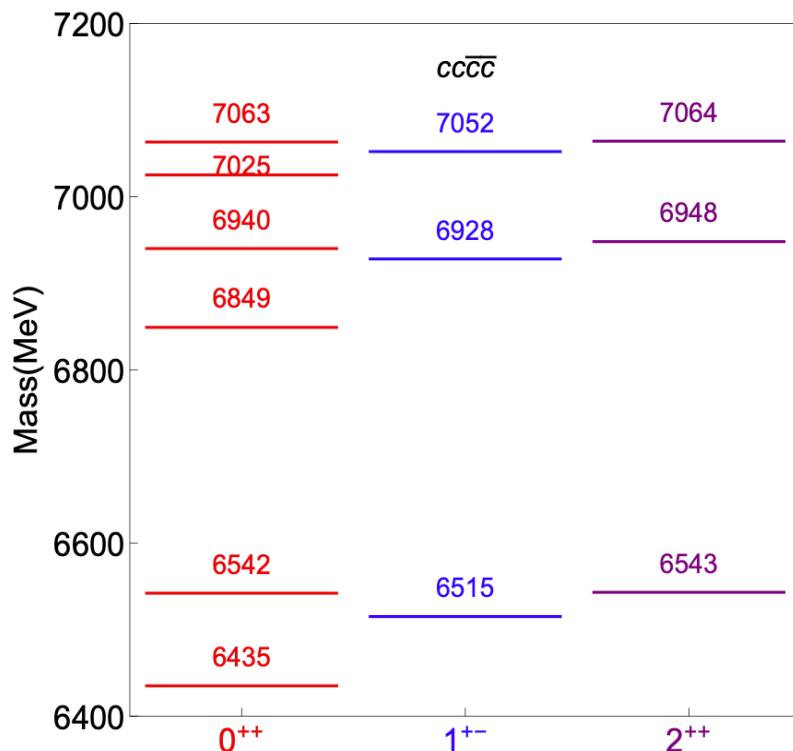
Table 1: Global significance evaluated under the various assumptions described in the text.

Component	Without interference		With interference	
	m [MeV/ c^2]	Γ [MeV]	m [MeV/ c^2]	Γ [MeV]
<i>sPlot</i> weights	0.8	10.3	4.4	36.9
Experimental resolution	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.6
NRSPS+DPS modelling	0.8	16.1	3.5	9.3
$X(6900)$ shape	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.2
Dependence on $p_T^{\text{di-}J/\psi}$	4.6	13.5	6.2	56.7
b -hadron feed-down	0.0	0.2	0.0	5.3
Structure at 7.2 GeV/ c^2	1.3	9.2	6.7	5.2
Threshold structure shape	5.2	20.5	—	—
NRSPS phase	—	—	0.3	1.3
Total	7	33	11	69

Matching to predicted spectrum

Model dependent interpretations

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Threshold structure
One or more ground states

X(6900)
First radial excitation

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