

HEAVY FLAVOUR SPECTROSCOPY AT LHCb

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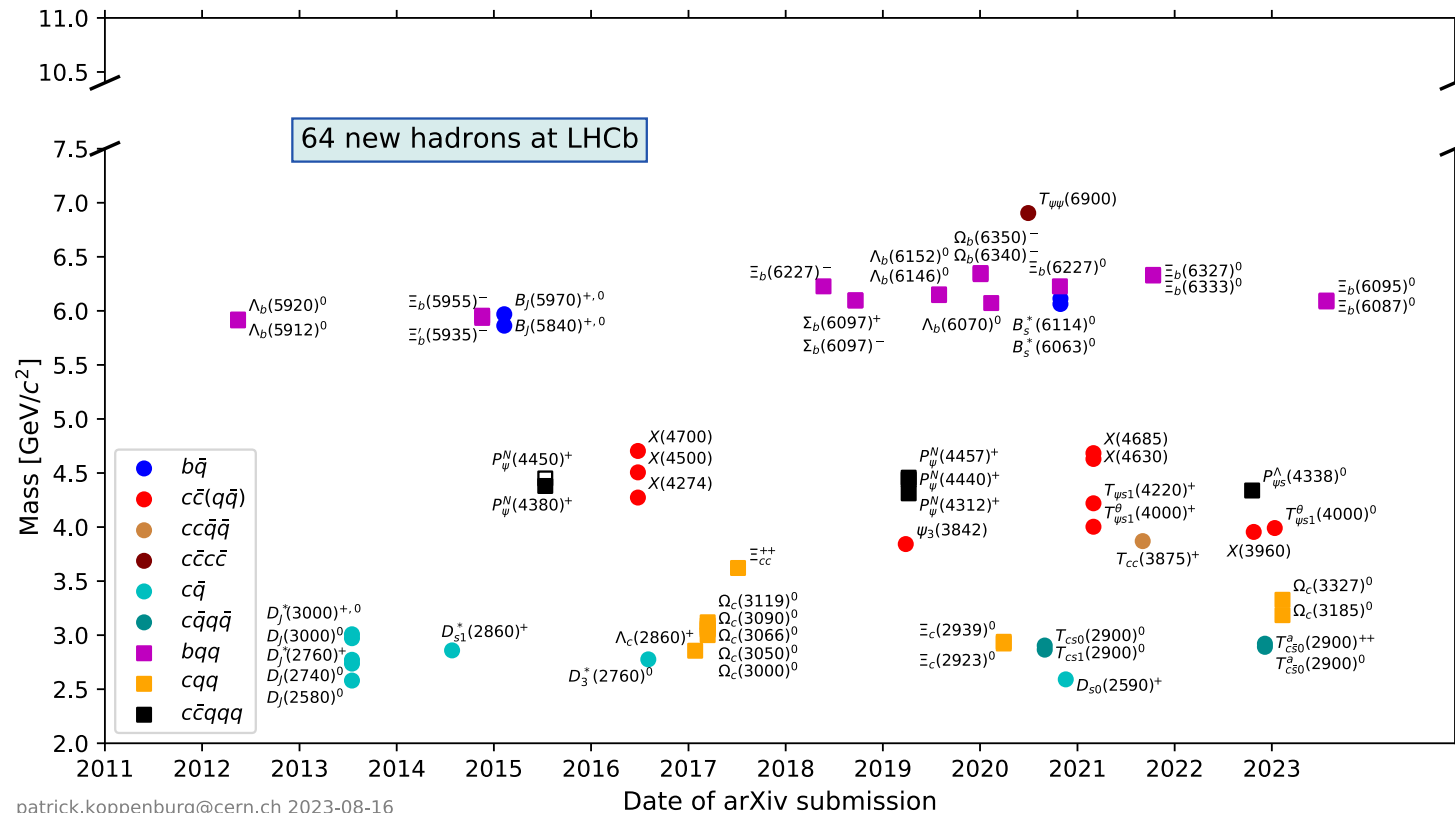
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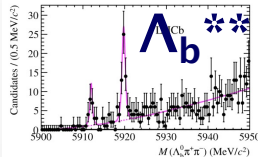
50+ NEW HADRONS AT LHCb!

- Over the past 10 years LHCb has discovered 64 new hadrons
- Observations of new states challenge our current understanding of QCD and the validity of the HQET assumptions

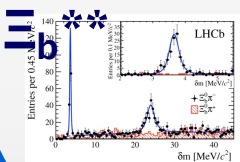


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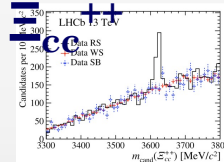
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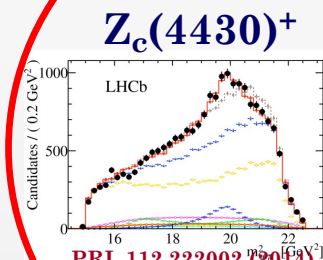
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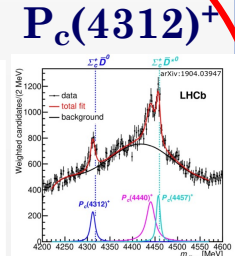
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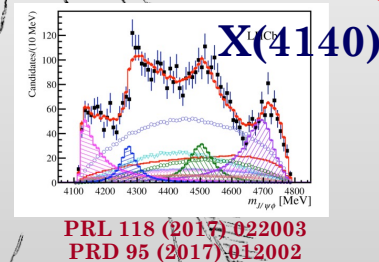
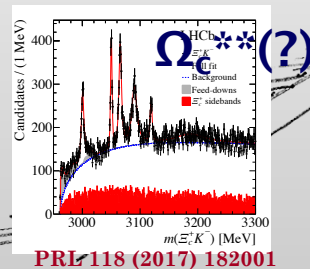
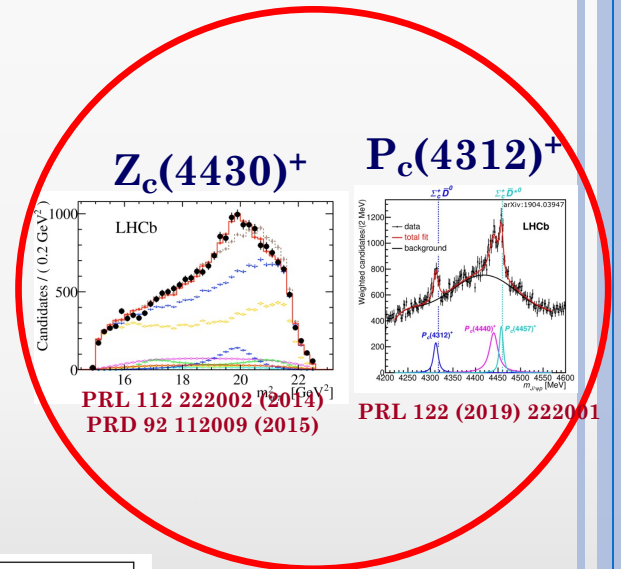
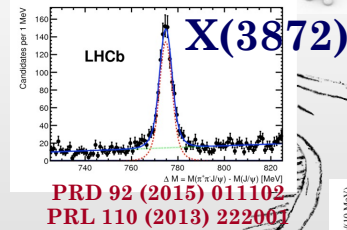
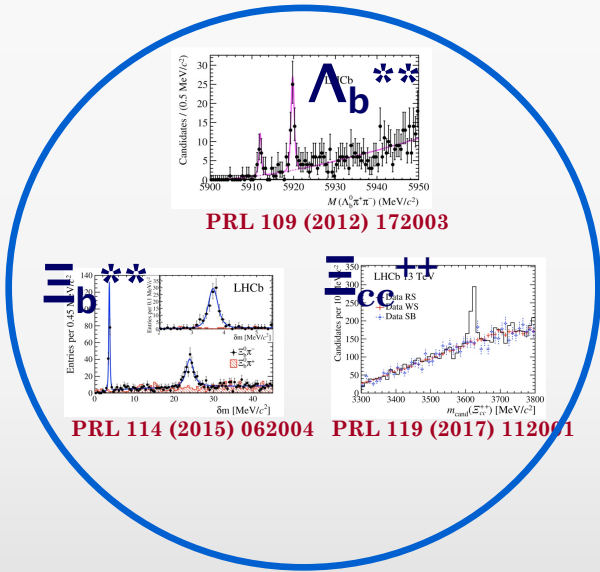
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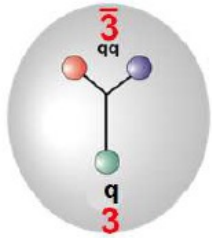
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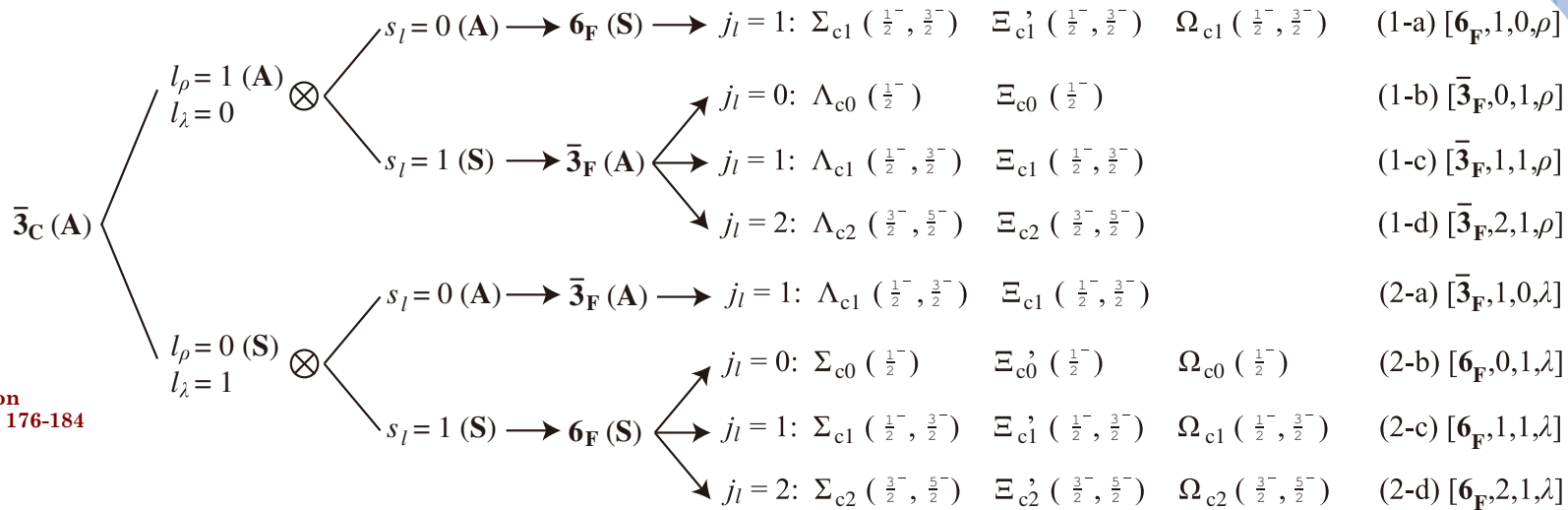


Conventional Spectroscopy

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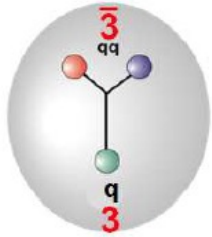
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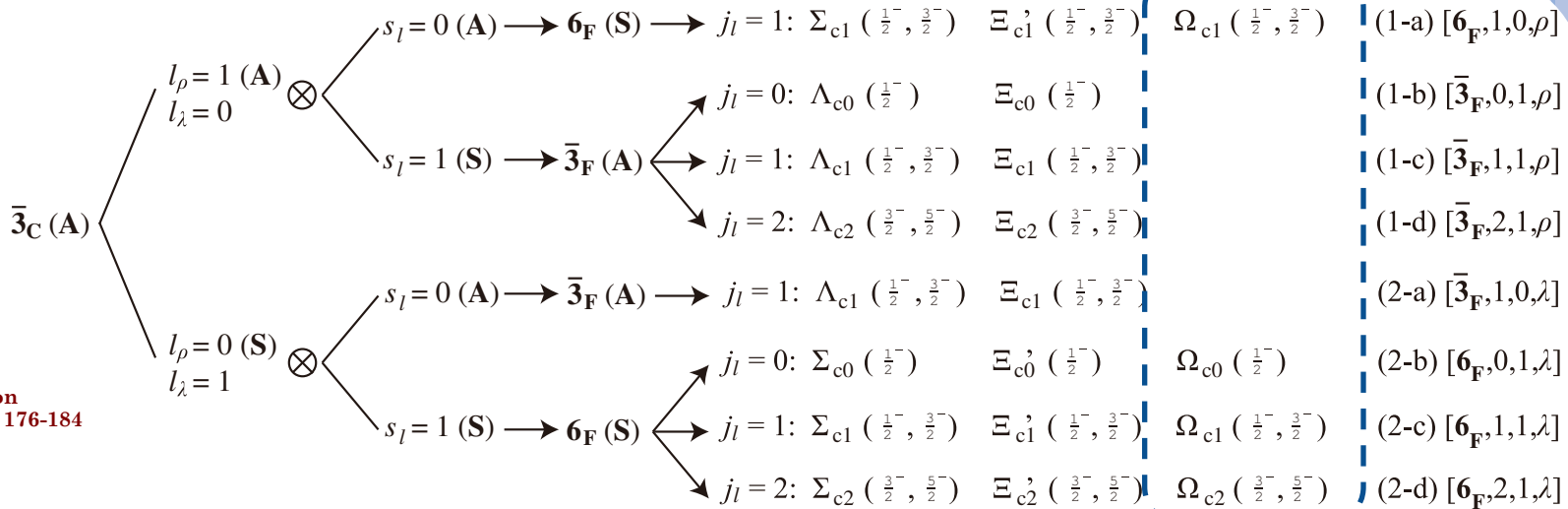
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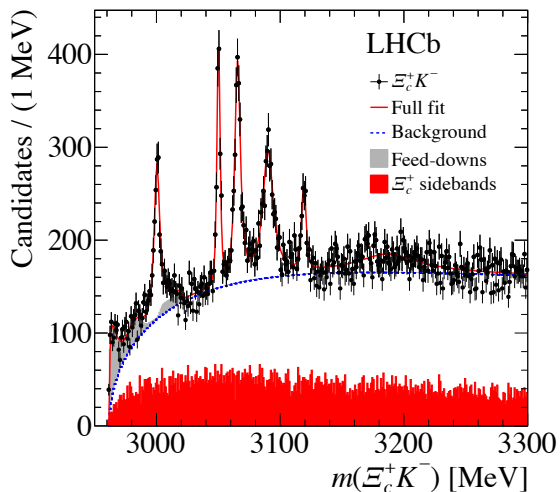
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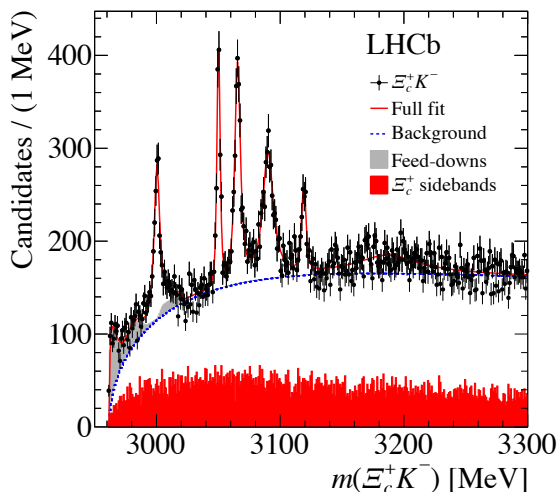


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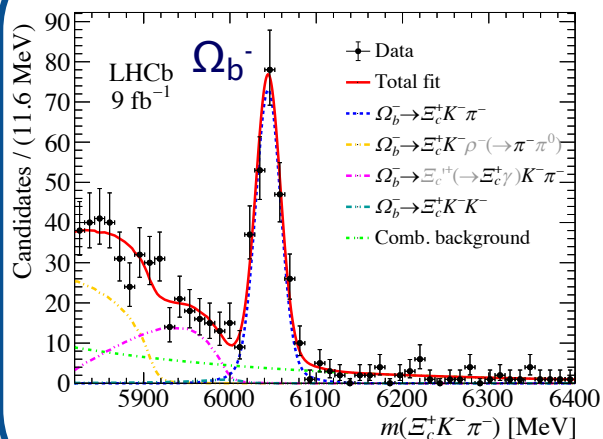
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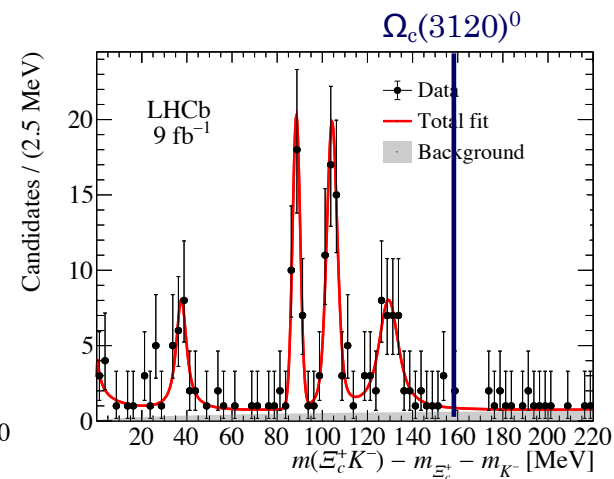
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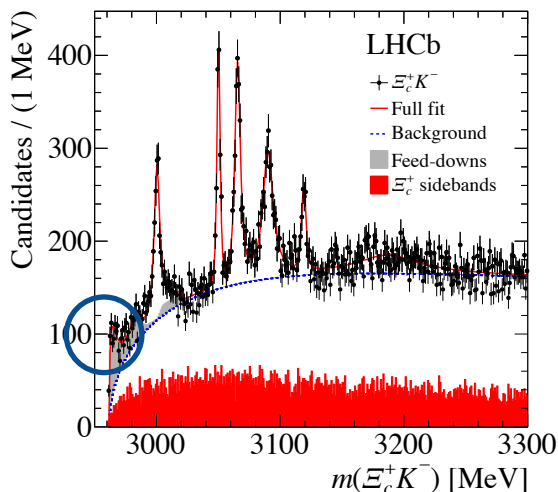
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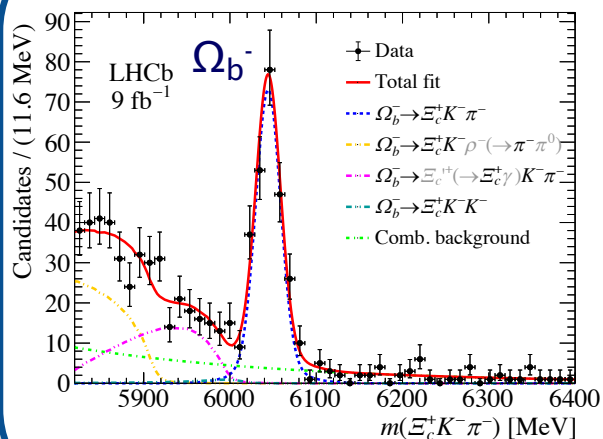
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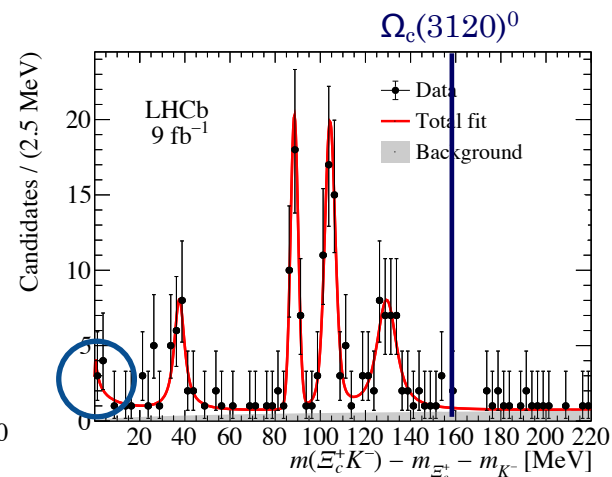
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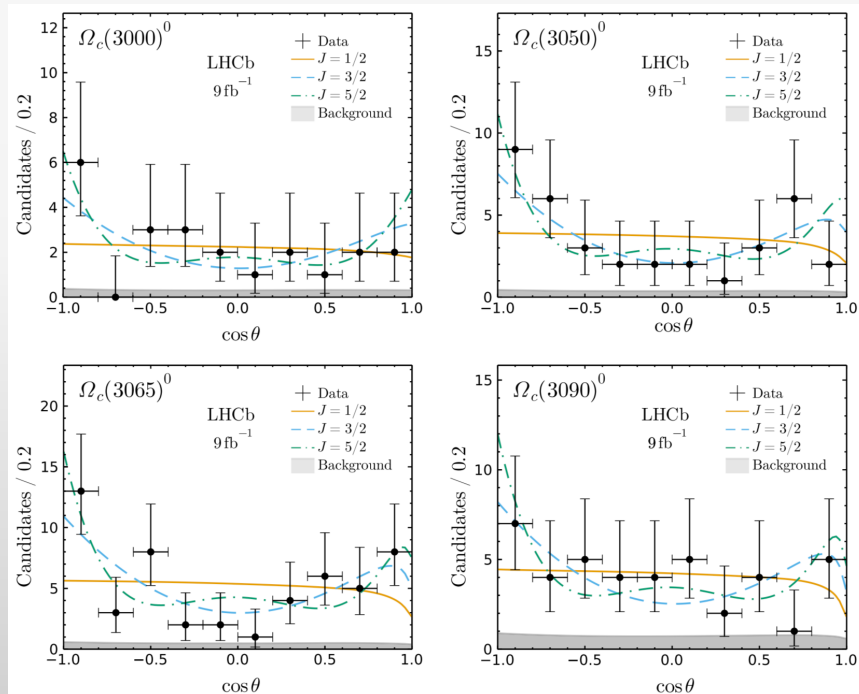
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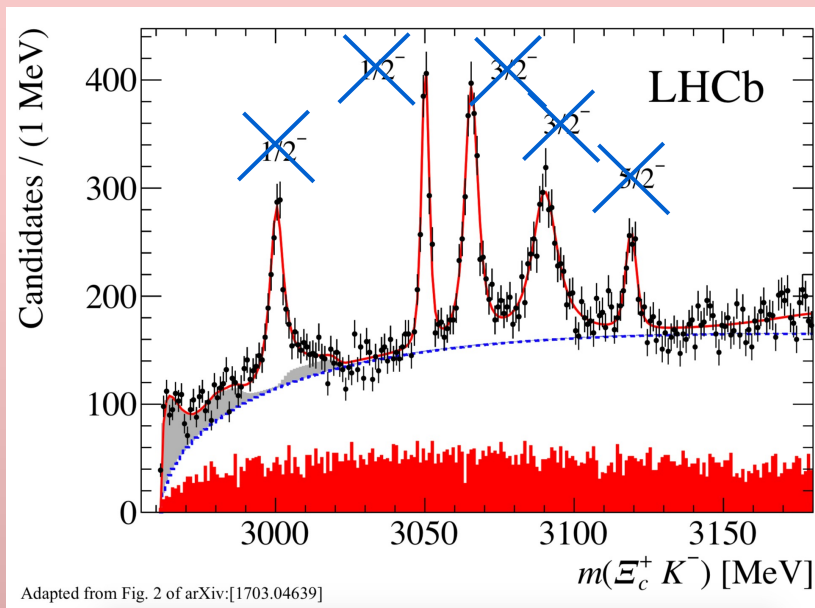
ANGULAR ANALYSIS OF $\Omega_b^- \rightarrow \Omega_c^{**0} (\rightarrow \Xi_c^+ K^-) \pi^-$

[PRD 104 (2021) L091102]

- Analysis of angular distributions to assess J^P of the Ω_c^{**0}
- A popular J^P assignment (i.e. λ -modes in the natural order $1/2^-$, $1/2^-$, $3/2^-$, $3/2^-$, $5/2^-$) is disfavoured



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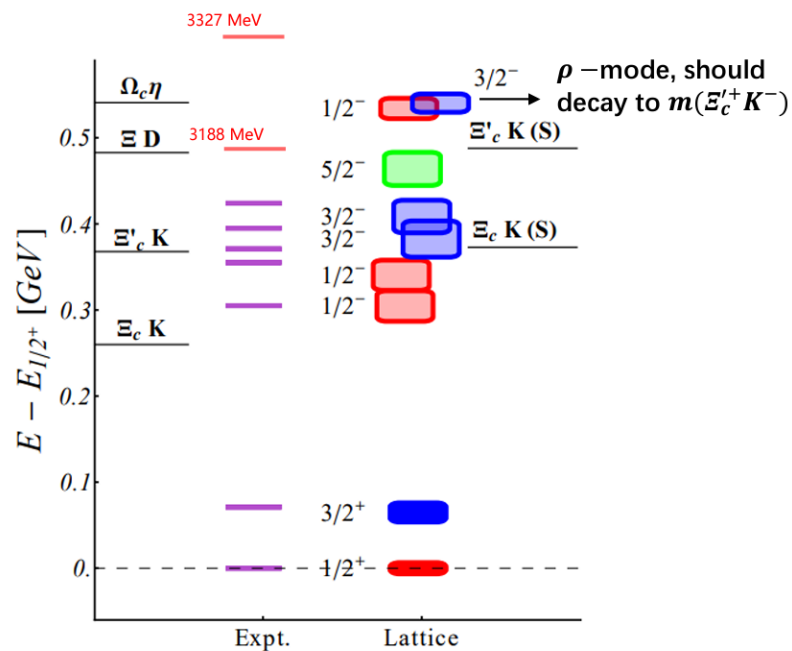
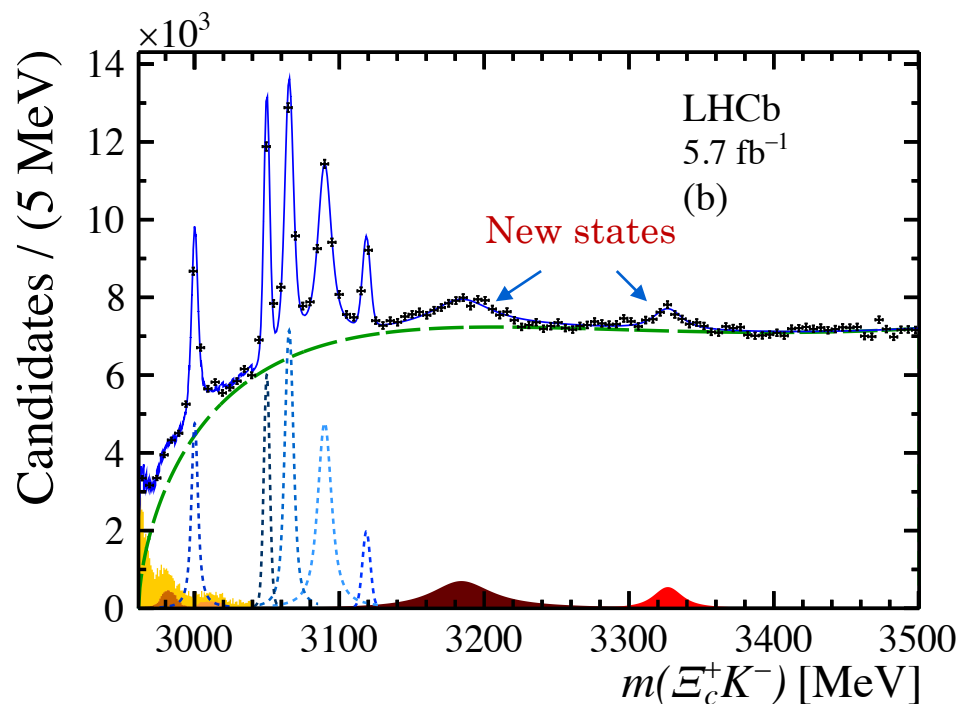
Adapted from Fig. 2 of arXiv:[1703.04639]

[Karliner & Rosner PRD 95 (2017) 114012]

UPDATED SEARCH (RUN I-II)

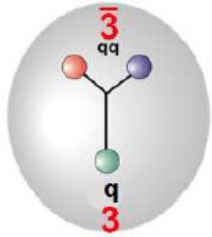
[PRL 131 (2023) 131902]

- Larger integrated luminosity → Larger sensitivity to broad states
- Observation of two new states: $\Omega_c(3185)$ and $\Omega_c(3327)$
- A comprehensive explanation becomes even more difficult

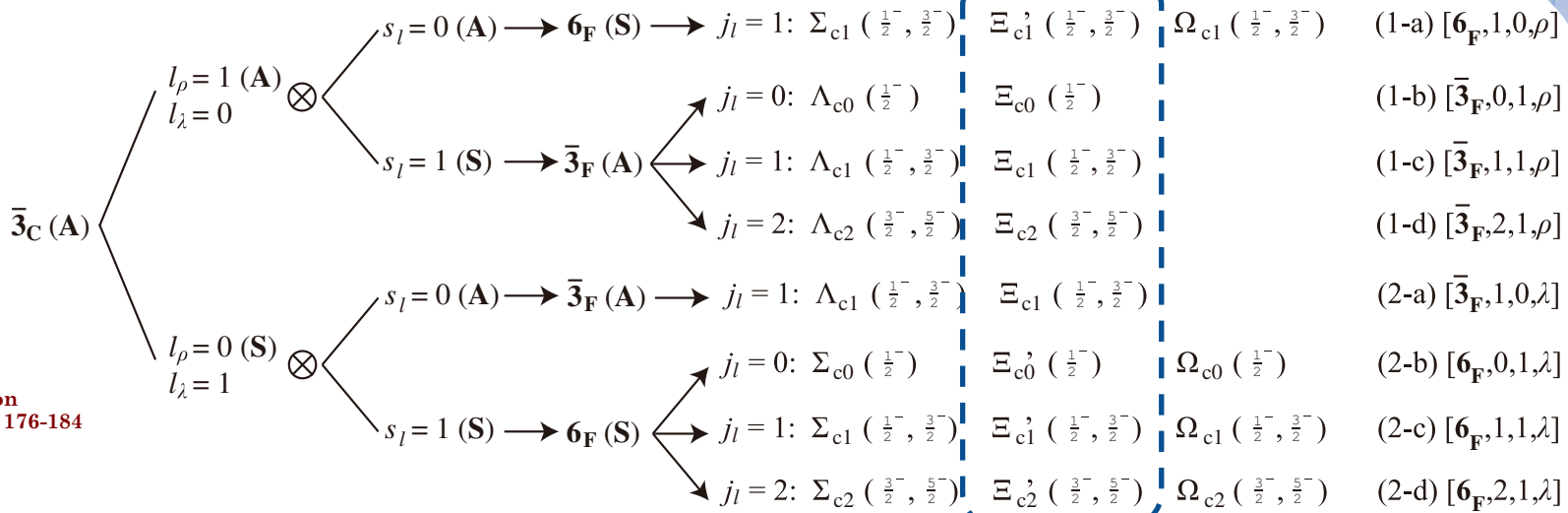


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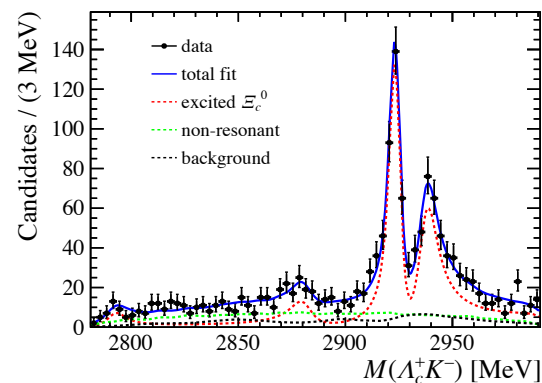
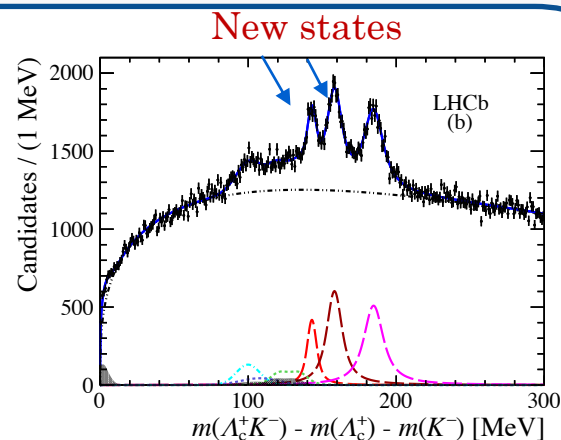
EXCITED Ξ_c^0 STATES

[PRL 124 (2020) 222001, PRD 108 (2023) 012020]

- Two excited Ξ_c^0 states observed in the $\Lambda_c^+ K^-$ spectrum in prompt pp collisions
- Confirmation in exclusive B decays, $B^- \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \Lambda_c^- K^-$ decays, plus evidence of 2 more states
- The mass of $\Xi_c(2965)$ consistent to the $\Xi_c(2970)$ one but their widths differ

Resonance	Peak of ΔM [MeV]	Mass [MeV]	Γ [MeV]
$\Xi_c(2923)^0$	$142.91 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.20$	$2923.04 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.14$	$7.1 \pm 0.8 \pm 1.8$
$\Xi_c(2939)^0$	$158.45 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.17$	$2938.55 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.14$	$10.2 \pm 0.8 \pm 1.1$
$\Xi_c(2965)^0$	$184.75 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.14$	$2964.88 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.14$	$14.1 \pm 0.9 \pm 1.3$

Resonance	m (MeV)	Γ (MeV)
$\Xi_c(2923)^0$	$2924.5 \pm 0.4 \pm 1.1$	$4.8 \pm 0.9 \pm 1.5$
$\Xi_c(2939)^0$	$2938.5 \pm 0.9 \pm 2.3$	$11.0 \pm 1.9 \pm 7.5$
$\Xi_c(2880)^0 (3.8\sigma)$	$2881.8 \pm 3.1 \pm 8.5$	$12.4 \pm 5.3 \pm 5.8$
$\Xi_c(2790)^0 (3.7\sigma)$	—	—



EXCITED Ω_c^0 vs Ξ_c^0 STATES

Universal mass difference?

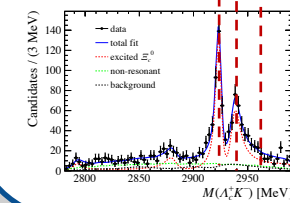
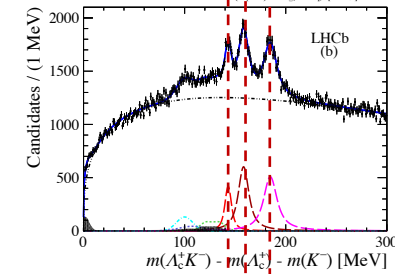
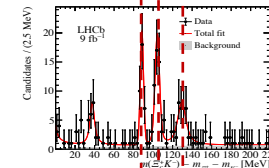
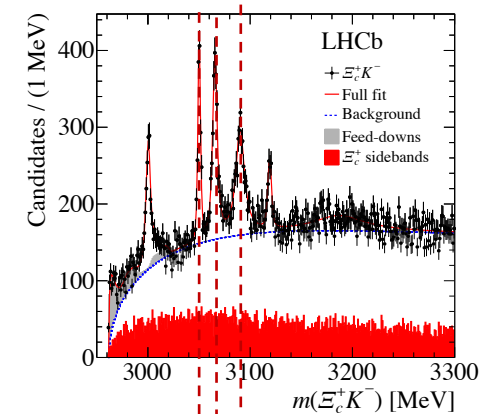
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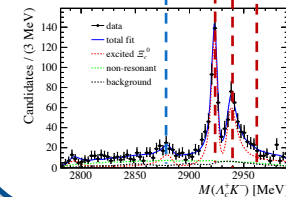
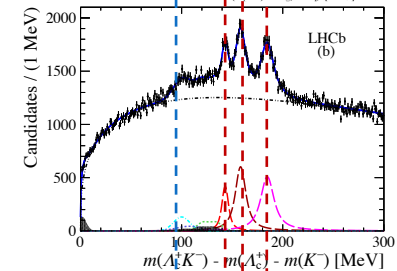
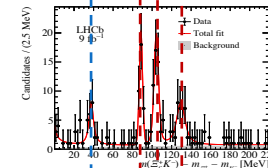
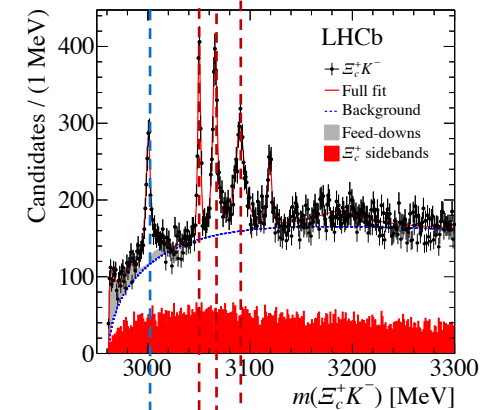
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Where is the partner of $\Omega_c(3120)$? Does it decay in different decay modes (N.B. Single pion decays are suppressed in Ω_c sector)

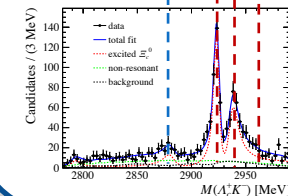
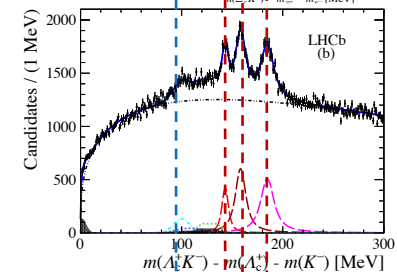
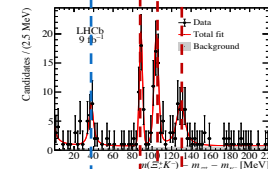
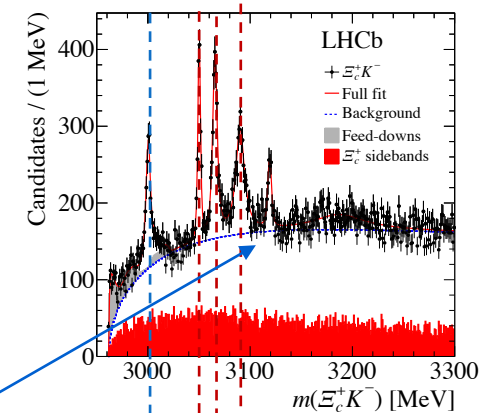
The $\Omega_c(3120)$ not seen neither in exclusive decays nor in e^+e^- collisions. Is it a standard baryon?

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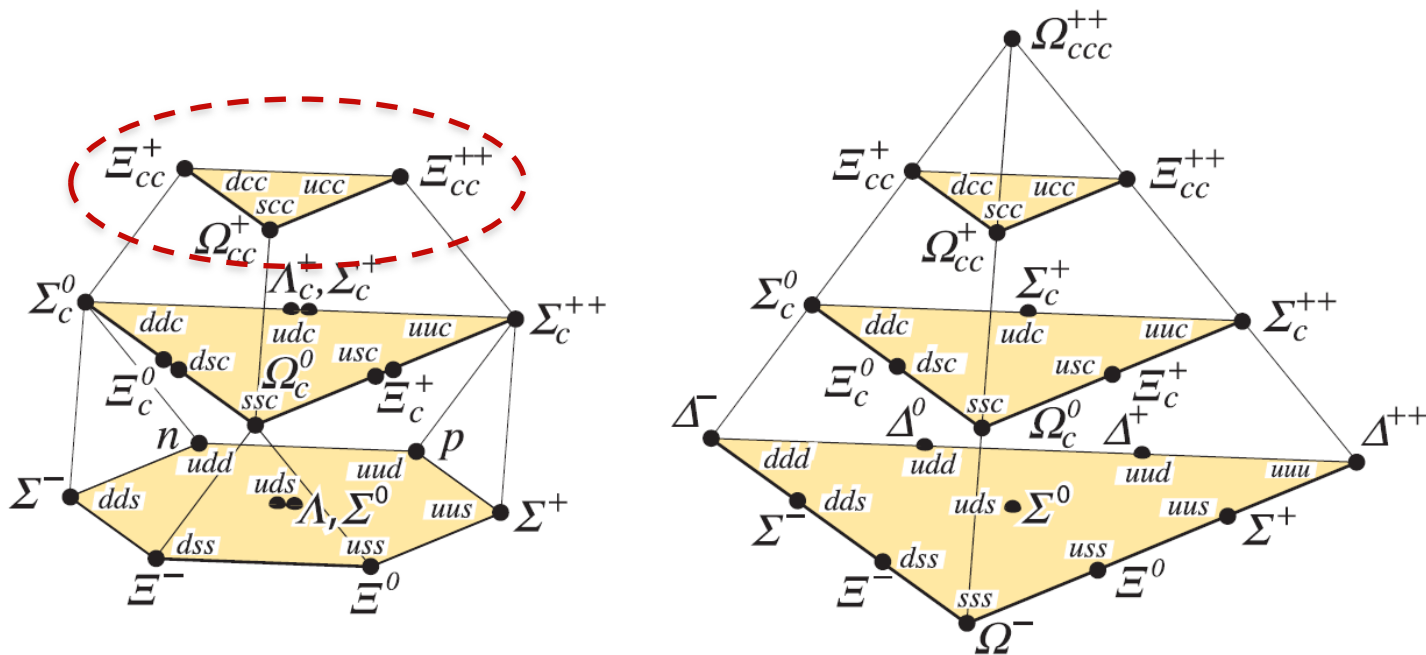
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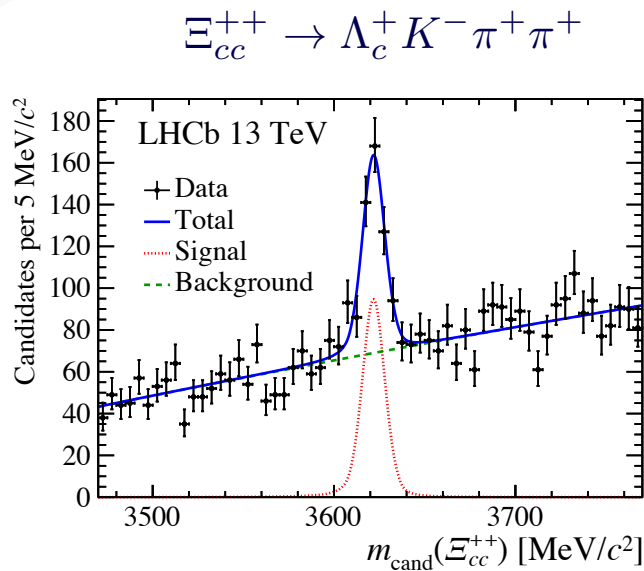
DOUBLY HEAVY BARYONS

- Three weakly decaying $C = 2$ states are expected:
- Ξ_{cc} isodoublet (ccu ; ccd) and an Ω_{cc} isosinglet (ccs), each with $J^P = 1/2^+$

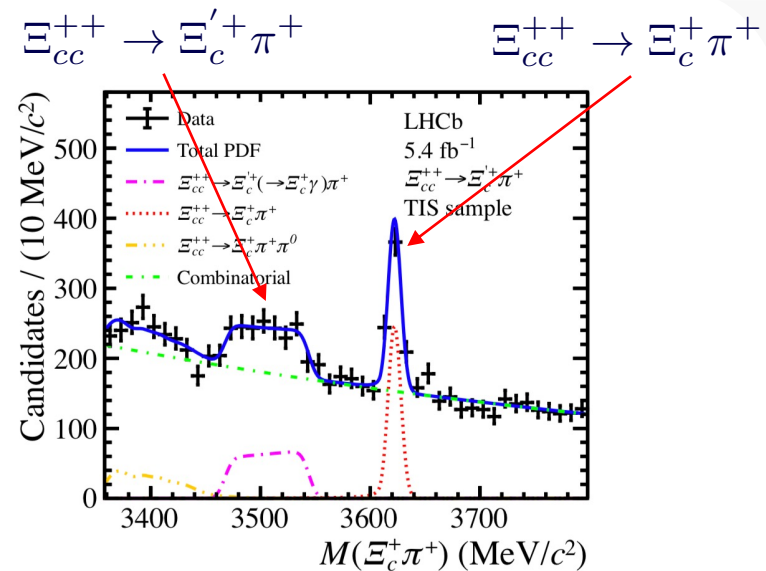


DOUBLY HEAVY BARYONS: Ξ_{cc}^{++}

- Ξ_{cc}^{++} observed in three different decay modes!
- Mass and lifetime consistent with a weakly decaying state



[PRL 119 (2017) 112001]



[PRL 121 (2018) 052002, JHEP 05 (2022) 038]

$$m(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = 3621.24 \pm 0.65(\text{stat}) \pm 0.31(\text{syst}) \text{ MeV}$$

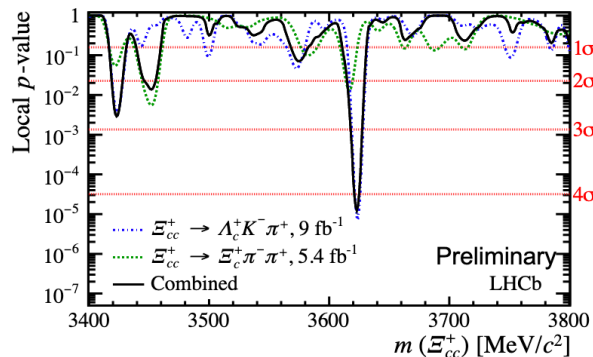
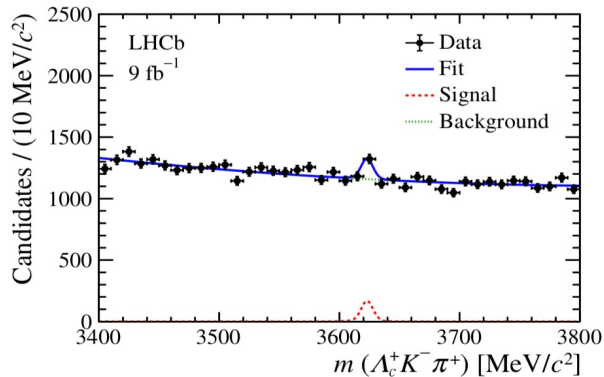
$$\tau(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = 0.256_{-0.022}^{+0.024}(\text{stat}) \pm 0.014(\text{syst}) \text{ ps}$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c'^+ \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+)} = 1.41 \pm 0.17_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.10_{\text{syst}}$$

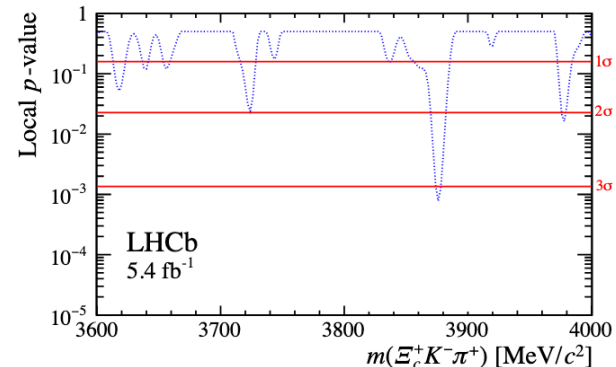
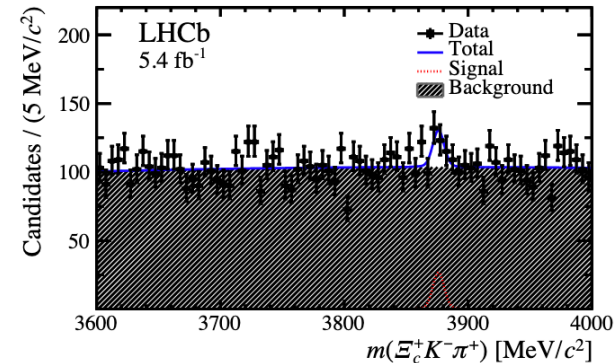
SEARCH FOR Ξ_{cc}^+ & Ω_{cc}^+

- No significant signals
- $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^- \pi^+$ when combined with $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$
 - ✓ Local (global) significance 4σ (2.9σ) @ $m = 3623.0 \pm 1.4_{\text{stat}}$ MeV
- $\Omega_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ K^- \pi^+$ bump at 3876 MeV, with local (global) significance 3.2σ (1.8σ)

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$$\Omega_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ K^- \pi^+$$



[Sci.China-Phys.Mech.Astron. 64 (2021) 101062, Sci.China Phys.Mech.Astron. 63 (2020) 221062, JHEP 12 (2021) 107]



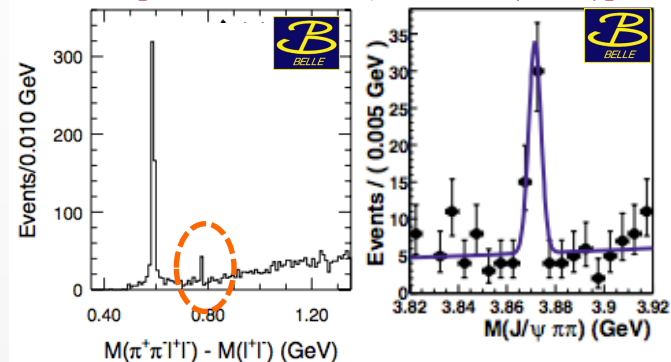
Exotic Spectroscopy

THE X(3872) STATE (AKA $\chi_{c1}(3872)$)

Discovered in 2003 by the Belle collaboration in the $B \rightarrow K X(3872)$ decay where $X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$

- ⊗ Mass is roughly equal to $m(D^0) + m(D^{*0})$
- ⊗ Width is surprisingly narrow (< 1.2 MeV)
- ⊗ Large production rate in $p\bar{p}$ collisions

[Belle: PRL 91, 262001 (2003)]



LHC experiments are largely contributing to shed light on the nature of the X(3872) state

- Determination of the quantum numbers $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$ [PRL110 222001 (2013), PRD92 011102 (2015)]
- Precise mass measurement [EPJC 72 (2012) 1972] [JHEP 06 (2013) 065]

$$E_B = m(D^0) + m(D^{*0}) - m(X(3872)) = 104 \pm 138 \text{ keV}/c^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{Loosely bound in the molecule scenario}$$

- Measurement of natural width: [JHEP 08 (2020) 123, PRD 102 (2020) 092005]

$$\Gamma_{\chi_{c1}(3872)}^{\text{BW}} = 0.96_{-0.18}^{+0.19} \pm 0.21 \text{ MeV}$$

- Production cross-section in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV [EPJC 72 (2012) 1972,]
- Measurement of branching ratios [Nucl.Phys.B886 (2014) 665]

$$\frac{BR(X(3872) \rightarrow \psi(2S)\gamma)}{BR(X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi\gamma)} = 2.46 \pm 0.64 \pm 0.29 \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{Pure molecule scenario disfavored}$$

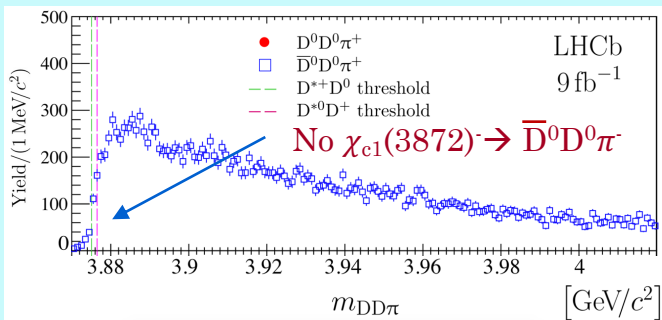
LOOKING FOR $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ PARTNERS

[JHEP 2022 (2022) 46, Nat. Comm. 13 (2022) 3351]

$\chi_{c1}(3872)$ ($J^{PC} = 1^{++}$)

Isospin partner

$\chi_{c1}(3872)^{\pm} \rightarrow D^0 D^{*-}$



LOOKING FOR $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ PARTNERS

[JHEP 2022 (2022) 46, Nat. Comm. 13 (2022) 3351]

C-odd partner

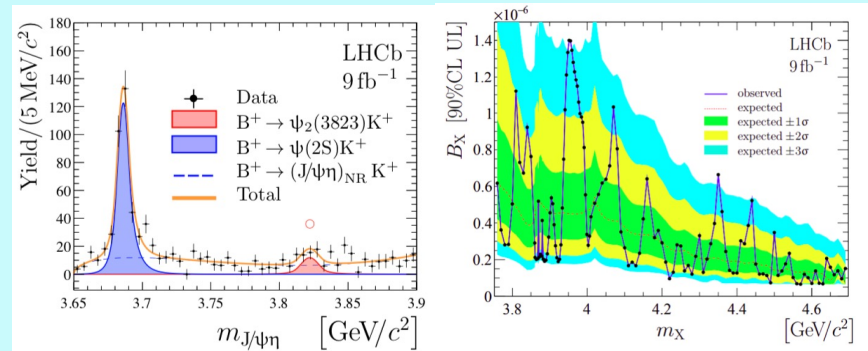
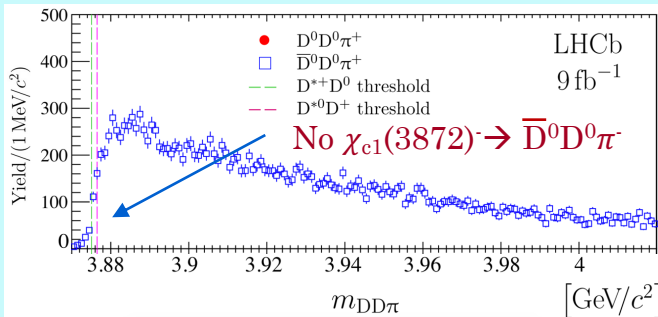
$\chi_{c1}(3872)$ ($J^{PC} = 1^{++}$)

$\tilde{\chi}_{c1}(3872)$ ($J^{PC} = 1^{+-}$)

Isospin partner

$\chi_{c1}(3872)^{\pm} \rightarrow D^0 D^{*-}$

$J/\psi \eta$



- Search for charmonium states decaying to $J/\psi \eta$ in $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \eta K^+$
- Observation of $\psi(2S)$, $\psi(3823)$, $\psi(4040)$
 - UL on the production of the C-odd partner of $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ ($< 1.9\%$)

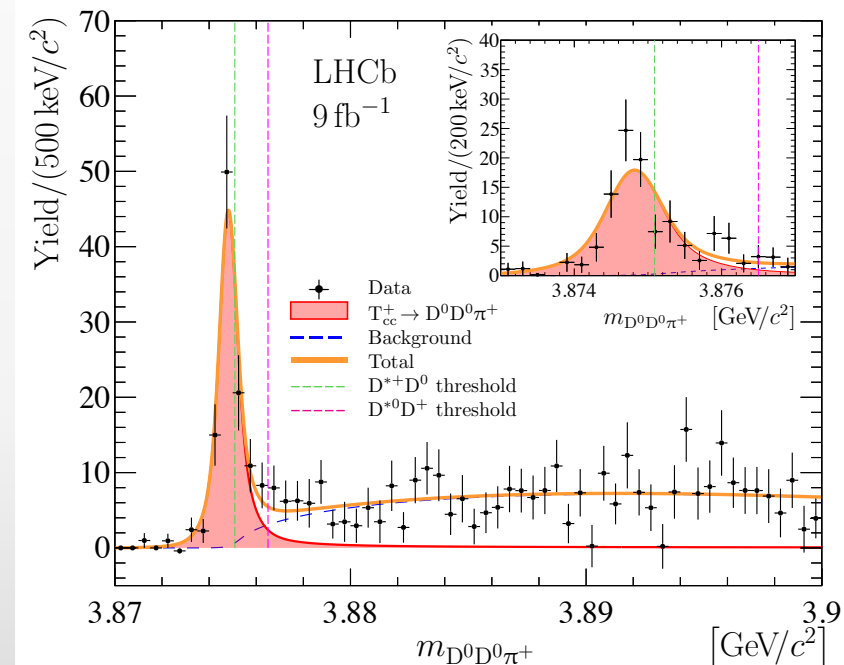
OBSERVATION OF EXOTIC TETRAQUARK T_{cc}^+ IN $D^0D^0\pi^+$

[Nat. Comm. 13 (2022) 3351, Nature Phys. 18 (2022) 751]

- First observation of same-sign doubly charmed tetraquark T_{cc}^+
- Very narrow state in $D^0D^0\pi^+$ mass spectrum
- Manifestly exotic with quark content $cc\bar{u}\bar{d}$
- Mass ~ 3875 MeV, very close to the $D^{*+}D^0$ threshold

$$\delta m_{\text{BW}} = -273 \pm 61(\text{stat}) \pm 5(\text{syst})_{-14}^{+11}(\text{model}) \text{ keV}$$
$$\Gamma = 410 \pm 65(\text{stat}) \pm 43(\text{syst})_{-38}^{+18}(\text{model}) \text{ keV}$$

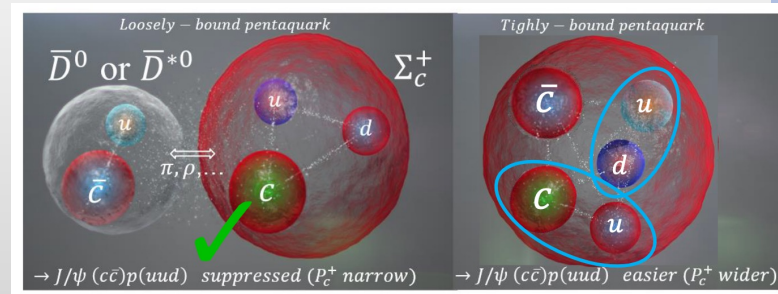
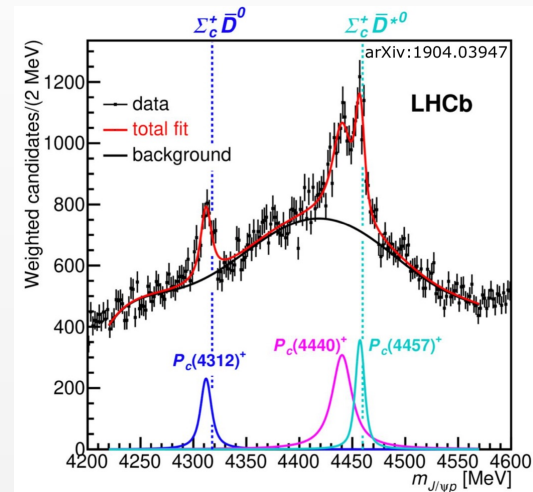
- Consistent with isoscalar $J^P = 1^+$ ground state



OBSERVATION OF PENTAQUARKS IN J/ψ P (I.E. THE RETURN OF THE LIVING DEAD)

[PRL115 (2015)072001, PRL122 (2019) 222001]

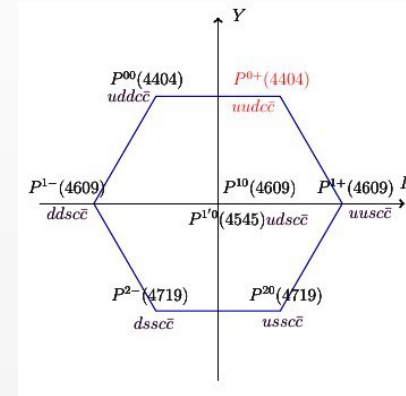
- In 2003 “Observation” of a pentaquark $\Theta^+ \rightarrow nK^+/pK^0_S$
- Soon after the claim started fading
- Few years later LHCb claimed the observation three pentaquarks with hidden charm content
- Observed pentaquarks are close to mass threshold of some charm baryon-meson combinations.
- Structure is not clear. Could they be molecules [PRD 101 (2020) 054037] or are they compact [EPJA 56 (2020) 142] states?



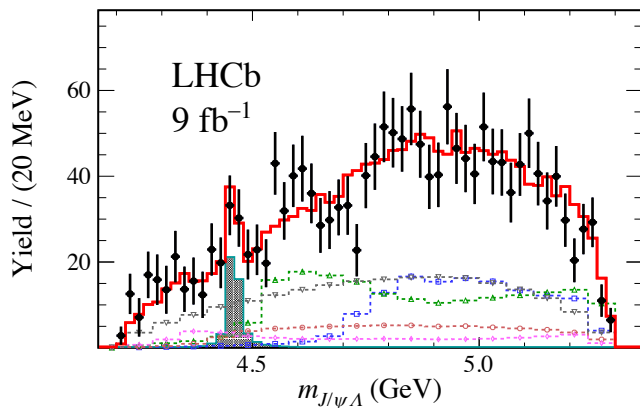
OBSERVATION OF PENTAQUARKS WITH STRANGENESS

[PRL 131 (2023) 031901, Sci.Bull. 66 (2021) 1278]

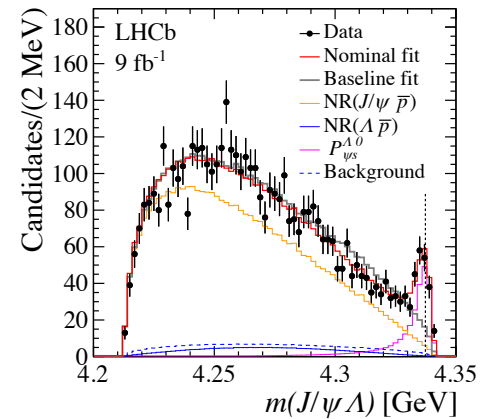
Exotic hadrons should be classified in flavour multiplets, as for the conventional hadrons



PRD 96 (2017) 014014



State	M_0 (MeV)	Γ_0 (MeV)
$P_{cs}(4459)^0$	$4458.8 \pm 2.9^{+4.7}_{-1.1}$	$17.3 \pm 6.5^{+8.0}_{-5.7}$



State	M_0 (MeV)	Γ_0 (MeV)
$P_{\psi_s}^\Lambda(4338)^0$	$4338.2 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.4$ MeV	$7.0 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.3$ MeV

SEARCH FOR PROMPT PRODUCTION OF PENTAQUARKS IN OPEN-CHARM HADRONS

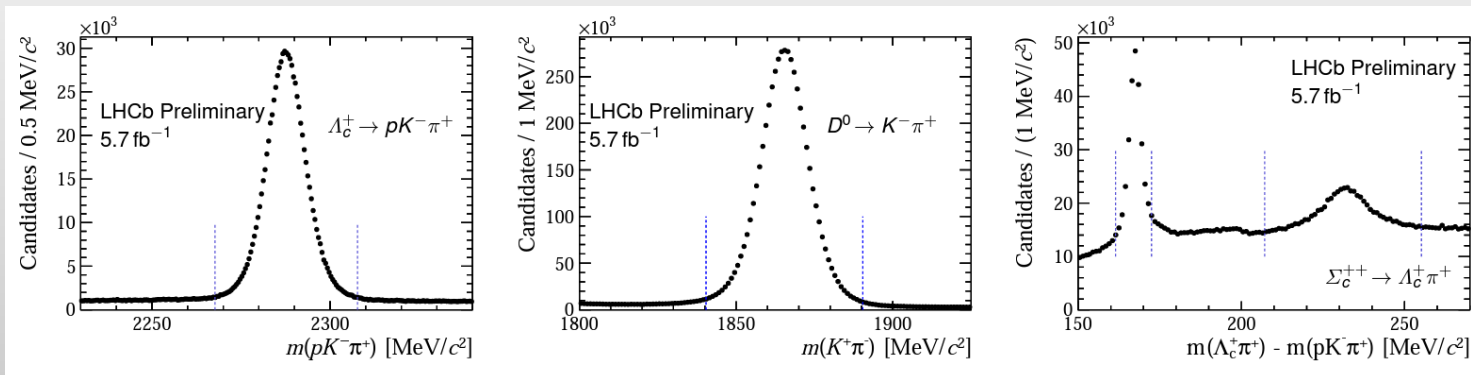
[LHCb-PAPER-2023-018 in preparation]

Search for pentaquark decays into a range of combinations of open-charm Σ_c or Λ_c^+ baryons with D mesons



$\Sigma_c^{++} \bar{D}^0$	$\Sigma_c^{++} D^0$	$\Sigma_c^{++} D^-$	$\Sigma_c^{++} D^+$	$\Sigma_c^{++} D^{*-}$	$\Sigma_c^{++} D^{*+}$
$\Sigma_c^0 \bar{D}^0$	$\Sigma_c^0 D^0$	$\Sigma_c^0 D^-$	$\Sigma_c^0 D^+$	$\Sigma_c^0 D^{*-}$	$\Sigma_c^0 D^{*+}$
$\Sigma_c^{*++} \bar{D}^0$	$\Sigma_c^{*++} D^0$	$\Sigma_c^{*++} D^-$	$\Sigma_c^{*++} D^+$	$\Sigma_c^{*++} D^{*-}$	$\Sigma_c^{*++} D^{*+}$
$\Sigma_c^{*0} \bar{D}^0$	$\Sigma_c^{*0} D^0$	$\Sigma_c^{*0} D^-$	$\Sigma_c^{*0} D^+$	$\Sigma_c^{*0} D^{*-}$	$\Sigma_c^{*0} D^{*+}$
$\Lambda_c^+ \bar{D}^0$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^0$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^-$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^+$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^{*-}$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^{*+}$
$\Lambda_c^+ \bar{D}^0 \pi^+$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^0 \pi^+$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^- \pi^+$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^+ \pi^+$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^{*-} \pi^+$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^{*+} \pi^+$
$\Lambda_c^+ \bar{D}^0 \pi^-$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^0 \pi^-$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^- \pi^-$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^+ \pi^-$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^{*-} \pi^-$	$\Lambda_c^+ D^{*+} \pi^-$

- Baryons/mesons are built in trigger, and optimised individually. Optimisation then applied in signal combination
- Range of cc ($\Lambda_c^+ D^-$, $\Sigma_c D^0$) and cc ($\Lambda_c^+ D^0$, $\Sigma_c D^+$...) modes (N.B. Excited doubly charmed baryons could also appear in some of the latter spectra)

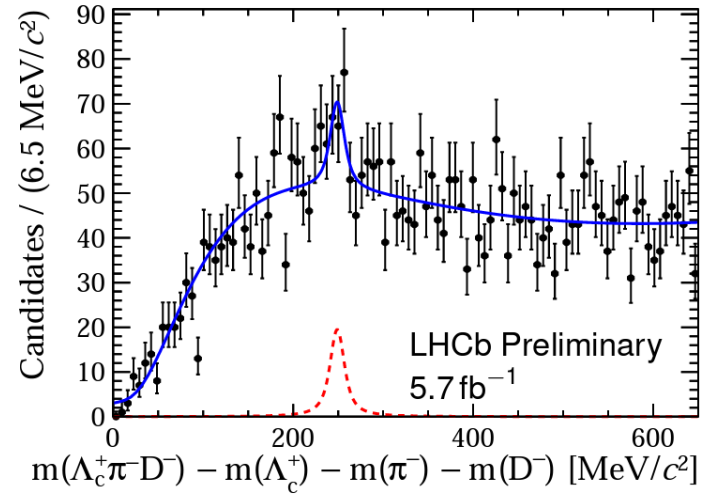
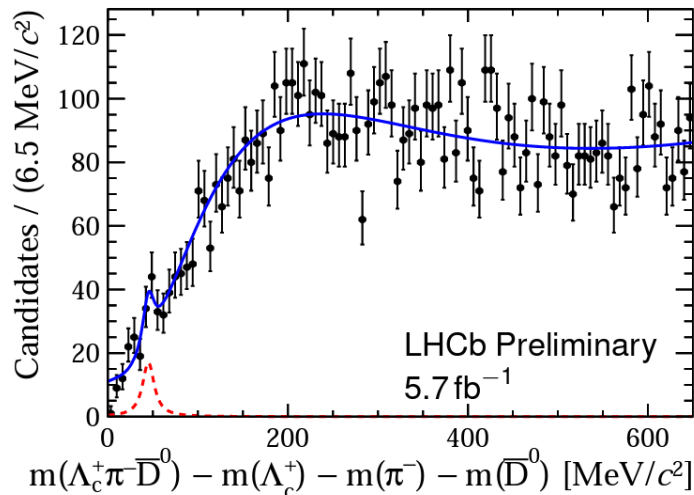


SEARCH FOR PROMPT PRODUCTION OF PENTAQUARKS IN OPEN-CHARM HADRONS

[LHCb-PAPER-2023-018 in preparation]

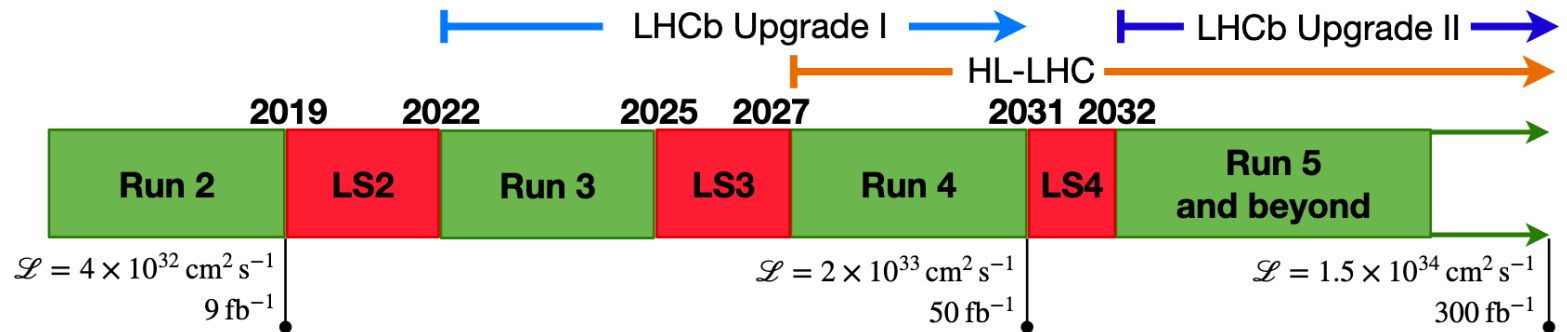
- Since no signal was seen (even for the known pentaquarks), upper limits (ULs) are set in each mode
- Highest global significances are in $\Lambda_c^+ D^0 \pi^-$ and $\Lambda_c^+ D^- \pi^-$ modes.

NEW



Paper in preparation

SUMMARY



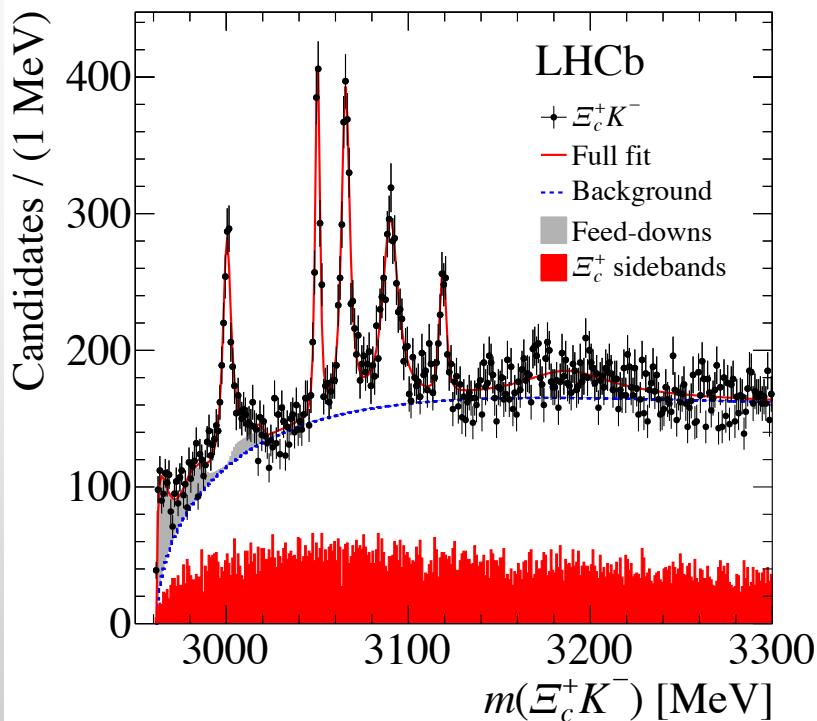
- Unprecedented samples of $D_{(s)}$, Λ_c , $E_c \rightarrow hhh$, where $h = p, K, \pi$. Spectroscopy of light hadrons by amplitude analyses with high precision. Which extend is the isobar model valid at?
- Measurement of quantum number of charmed hadrons from b-hadron decays \rightarrow Probe of internal degree of freedom. Is the diquark a building block of hadrons?
- Observation of E_{cc}^+ and Ω_{cc}^+ with Run 3 data? What about T_{bc} ?
- Nature of $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ still uncertain after 20 years! What is missing?
- Search for patterns in spectroscopy: e.g. exotic flavour multiplets

Back-up slides

FIVE NEW EXCITED Ω_c^0 STATES!

[LHCb: PRL 118 (2017) 182001]

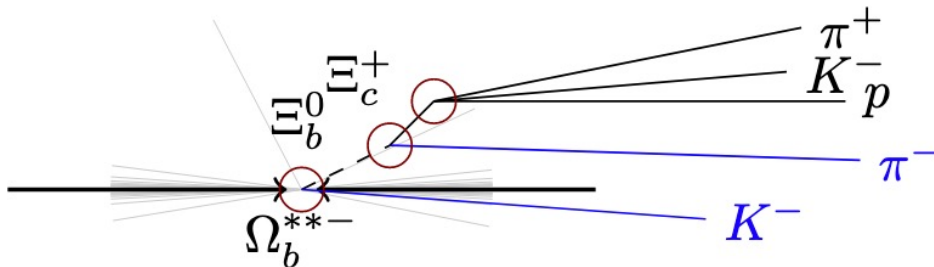
- Observation of **5** new excited Ω_c states! Two of them extremely narrow
- Comprehensive explanation of all peaks challenges our current knowledge. Are they orbitally excited (L=1) states? Or radially excitations? Or pentaquarks?



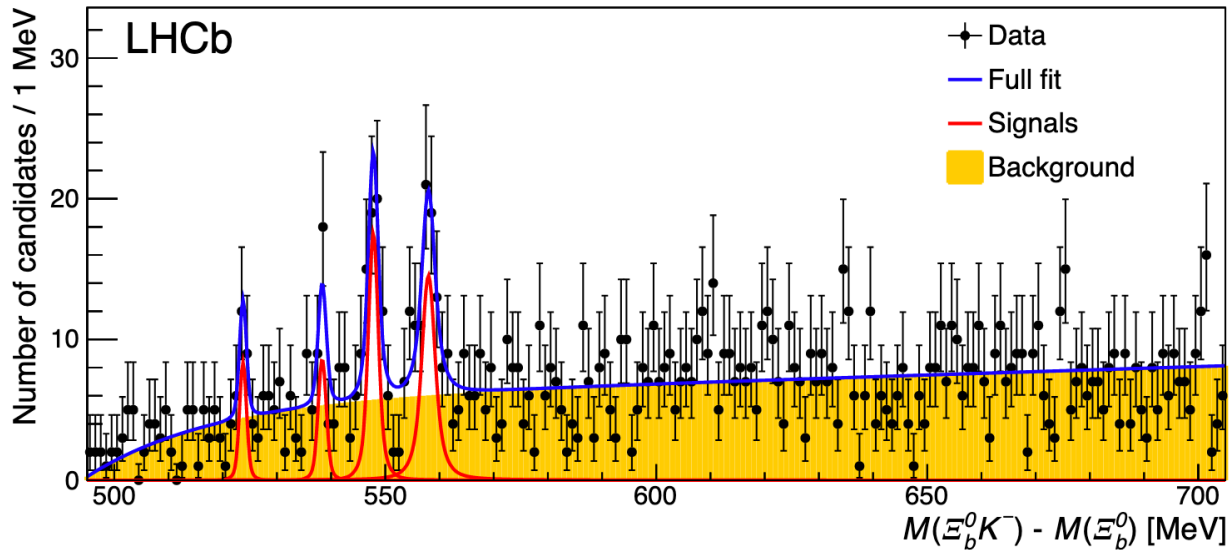
Resonance	Mass (MeV)	Γ (MeV)
$\Omega_c(3000)^0$	$3000.4 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.1^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	$4.5 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.3$
$\Omega_c(3050)^0$	$3050.2 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.1^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	$0.8 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.1$ < 1.2 MeV, 95% CL
$\Omega_c(3066)^0$	$3065.6 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.3^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	$3.5 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.2$
$\Omega_c(3090)^0$	$3090.2 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.5^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	$8.7 \pm 1.0 \pm 0.8$
$\Omega_c(3119)^0$	$3119.1 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.9^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	$1.1 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.4$ < 2.6 MeV, 95% CL
$\Omega_c(3188)^0$	$3188 \pm 5 \pm 13$	$60 \pm 15 \pm 11$

OBSERVATION OF $\Omega_b^{***-} \rightarrow \Xi_b^0 K^-$

[PRL 124 (2020) 082002]



Observation of 4 narrow Ω_b^{***-} with significance $> 3\sigma$



The new states are

$$\Omega_b(6315)^-$$

$$\Omega_b(6330)^-$$

$$\Omega_b(6340)^-$$

$$\Omega_b(6350)^-$$

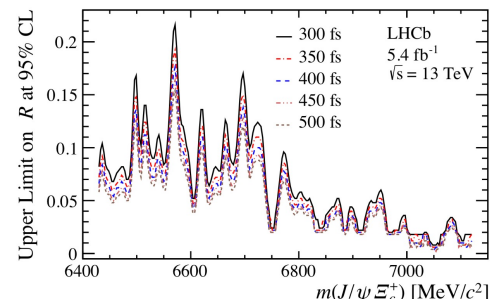
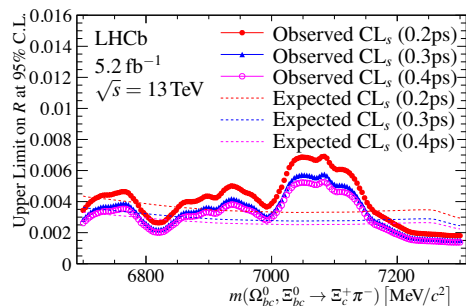
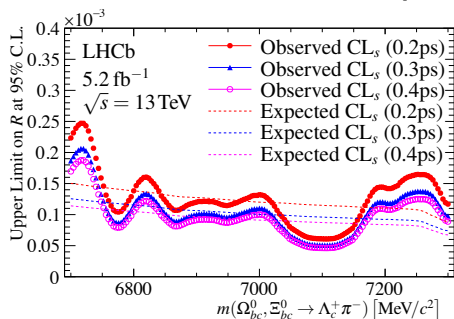
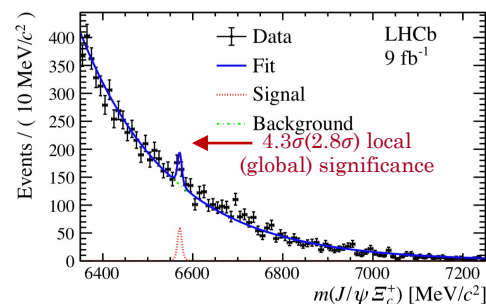
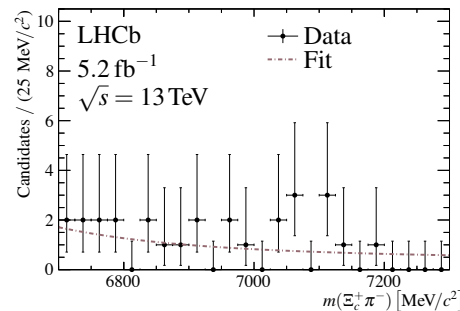
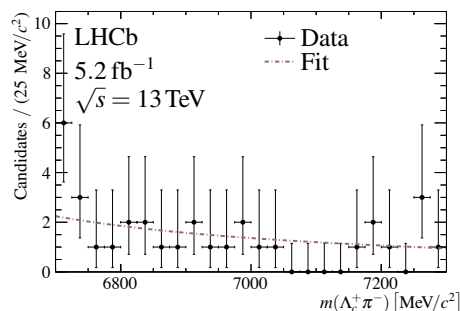
SEARCH FOR Ξ_{bc}^0 , Ξ_{bc}^+ , Ω_{bc}^0

[Chin. Phys. C 45 (2021) 093002, LHCb-PAPER-2022-005 (in preparation)]

- No obvious signals
- Search for (1) $\Omega_{bc}^0/\Xi_{bc}^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+(\Xi_c^+)\pi^-$ & (2) $\Xi_{bc}^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \Xi_c^+$
- UL as function of m and τ on the production relative to (1) $\Lambda_b^0/\Xi_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+(\Xi_c^+)\pi^-$ & (2) $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+$

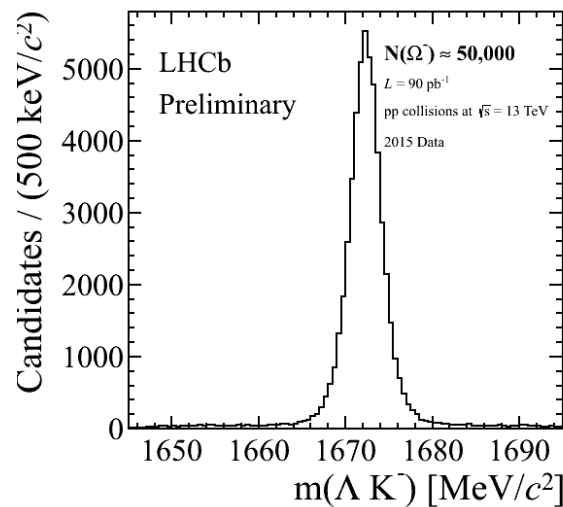
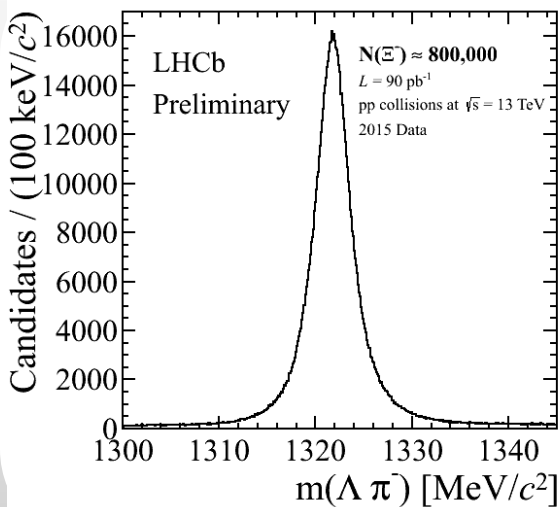
$$\Omega_{bc}^0/\Xi_{bc}^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+(\Xi_c^+)\pi^-$$

$$\Xi_{bc}^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \Xi_c^+$$

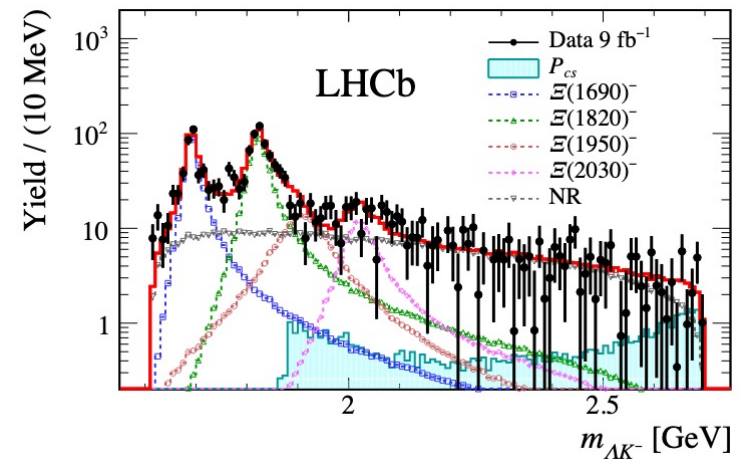


LIGHT SPECTROSCOPY

- LHCb can contribute to study the spectroscopy of the light sector in prompt production and from b-hadron decays
- Evidence of a $J/\psi\Lambda$ structure and observation of excited Ξ^- states in the $\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi\Lambda K^-$ decay



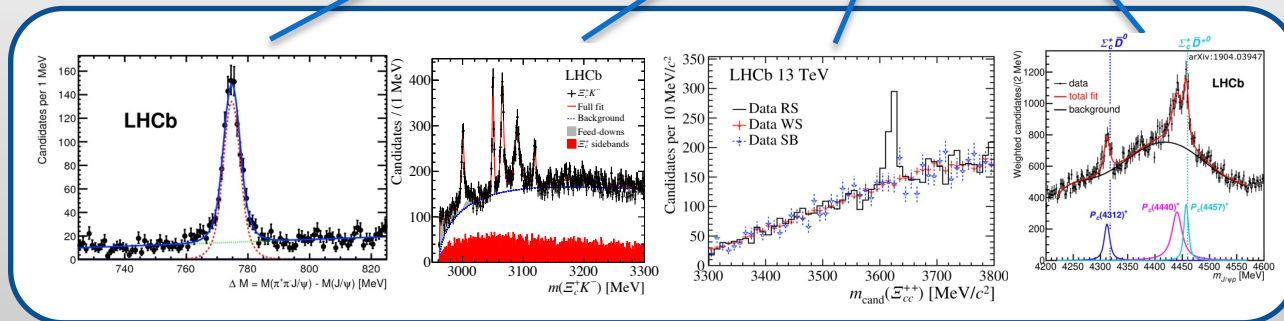
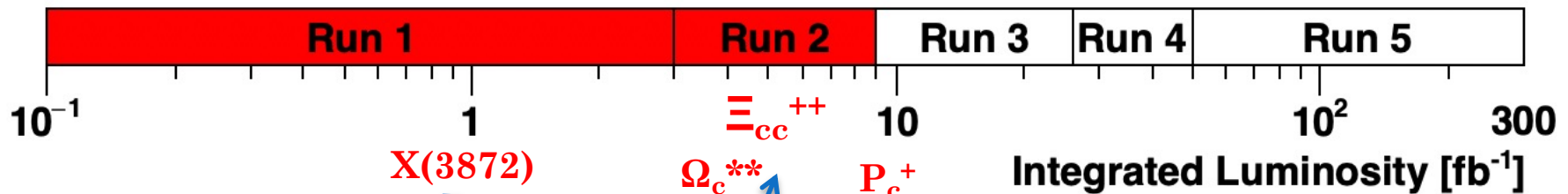
[LHCb: arXiv:2012.10380]



SUMMARY II

The large data set collected in the HL-LHC era, together with an upgraded detector, will boost sensitivity in searches for heavy states with small production cross sections and/or small decay rates

Predictions are always complicated...even more when concerning unknown states!



...to be continued