

# XYZ States at LHCb

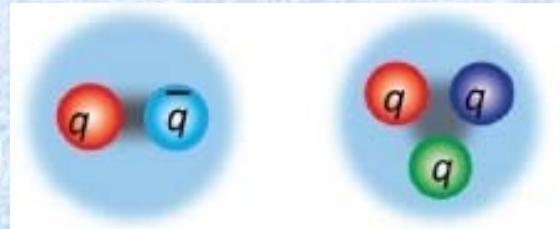


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1. (Very brief) introduction to the spectroscopy of hadron states
2. LHCb spectrometer - an excellent tool for heavy hadron spectroscopy
3. Exotic hadrons at LHCb (pentaquarks excluded)
  - ✓ X(3872) and X(3842)
  - ✓ The X states decaying to  $J/\psi \phi$
  - ✓ Tetraquark X(5568) ?
  - ✓  $Z_c(4430)$ ,  $Z_c(4200)$  and  $Z_c(4100)$
  - ✓ Search for beautiful tetraquarks
  - ✓ Search for dibaryons
  - ✓ Open charm exotic states in  $\Lambda_c^+$  excitations

## ➤ Standard states:



## A SCHEMATIC MODEL OF BARYONS AND MESONS

M. GELL-MANN

California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California

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(1964) 214-215

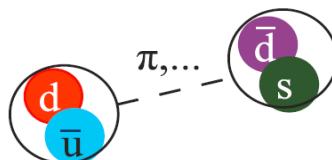
anti-triplet as anti-quarks  $\bar{q}$ . Baryons can now be constructed from quarks by using the combinations  $(q q q)$ ,  $(q q q \bar{q} \bar{q})$ , etc., while mesons are made out of  $(q \bar{q})$ ,  $(q q \bar{q} \bar{q})$ , etc. It is assuming that the lowest

## ➤ Exotic states:

## Pentaquark

diquark-diquark-  
antiquark $H$ -dibaryondiquark-diquark-  
diquark

## Molecule



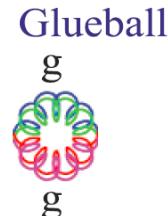
## Hybrid



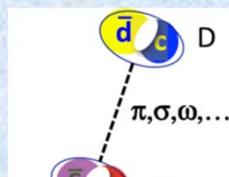
## Tetraquark



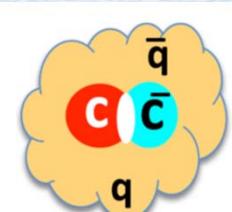
diquark-diantiquark



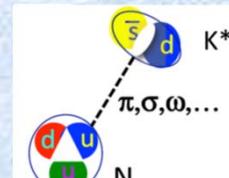
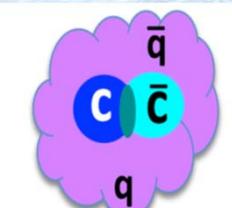
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meson-antimeson  
molecule

but also:



hadrocharmonium

meson-baryon  
molecule

adjoint charmonium

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And near threshold kinematical effects: cusps, anomalous triangular singularities (ATS)

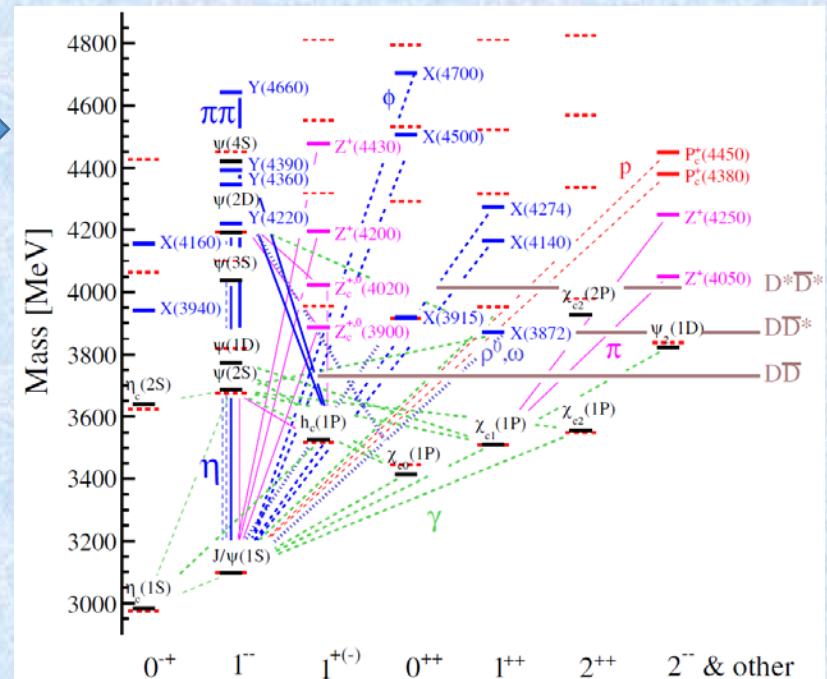
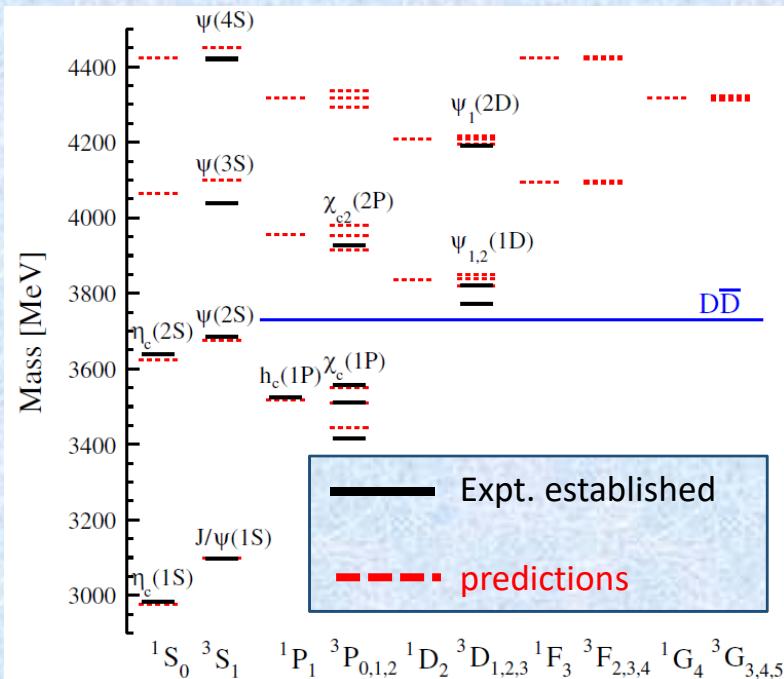
- ~30 heavy, potentially exotic states observed (since 2003) - most of them are ( $c\bar{c}$ ) or ( $b\bar{b}$ ) like

- The properties of new states to be determined
- Mass and width
  - Spin, parity, C-parity....
  - Production rates
  - Decay channels, branching fractions....

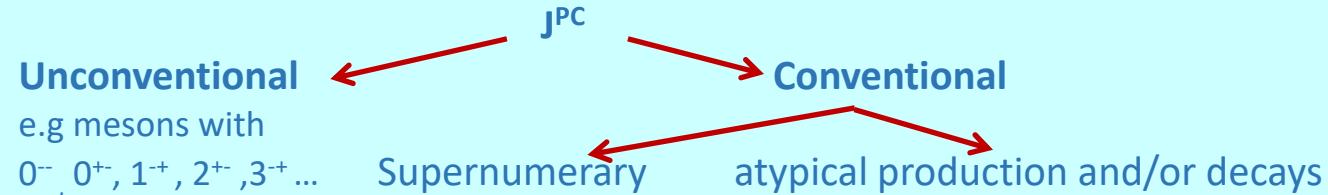
➤ Notation of quarkonium states

$$n^{2S+1}L_J$$

**n** –  $Q\bar{Q}$  radial quantum number  
**S** – combined spin of the  $Q\bar{Q}$  pair  
**L** – the relative angular momentum of the pair (S: L=0, P: L=1, D: L = 2)  
**J** – the total angular momentum



## ➤ Quantum numbers:



- Unconventional charges may occur (e.g. baryon with S=1 or meson with electric charge +2)

## ➤ Tools:

angular distributions, amplitude analysis, model independent approach, Dalitz and Argand plots, ...

## ➤ Taxonomy (general, not universally accepted, guidelines):

|   |   |
|---|---|
| P | pentaquarks   |
| X | Neutral-charge resonances (most of them observed in B decays), positive parity  |
| Y | States produced in the Initial State Radiation (ISR) processes, negative parity |
| Z | Charmonium-like, charged states (and its isospin partners)                      |

- The first hadron-collider experiment that is dedicated to heavy flavour (HF) physics

➤ The geometry of forward spectrometer

**RICH:**

Separation of K, p from  $\pi$ :  
 $\epsilon(K \rightarrow K) \approx 95\% \quad \epsilon(\pi \rightarrow K) \approx 5\%$   
 $\epsilon(p \rightarrow p) \approx 95\% \quad \epsilon(\pi \rightarrow p) \approx 5\%$

**Vertex Detector:**

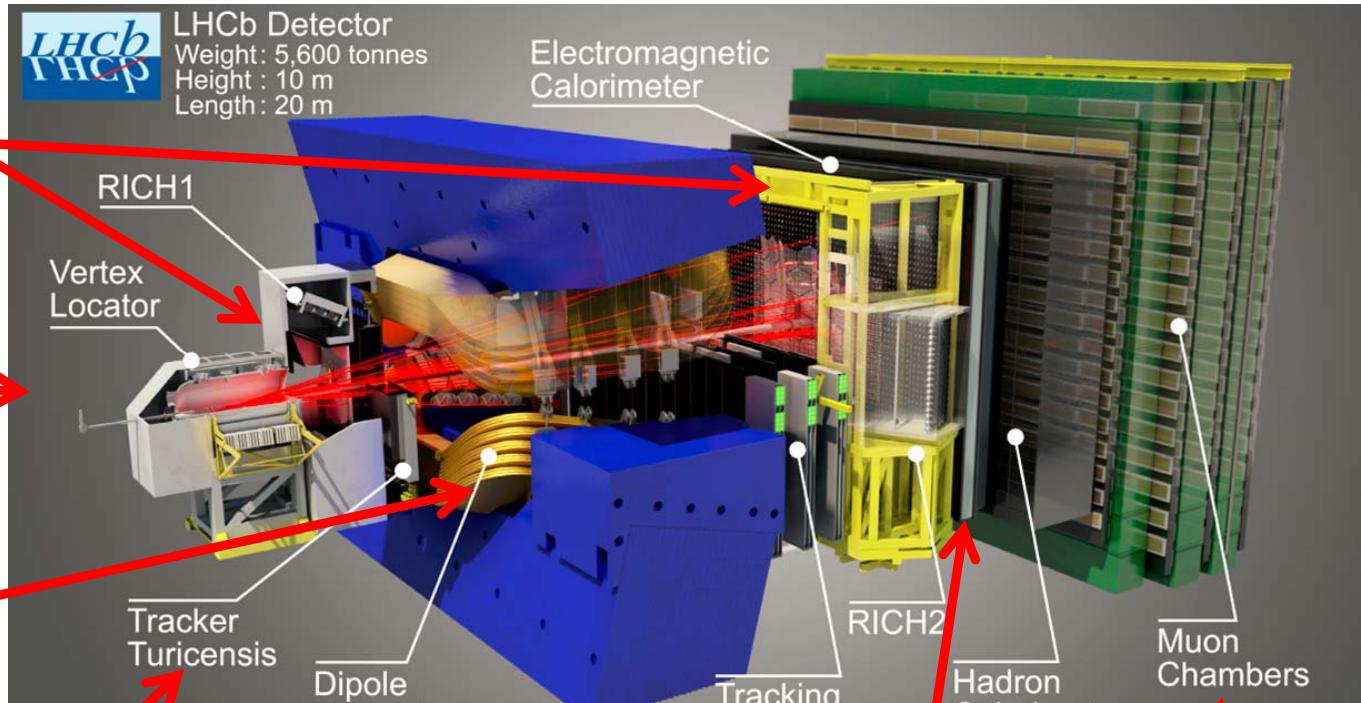
Impact parameter resolution:  
 $\sigma_{IP} = 20 \mu m$   
 Decay time resolution:  
 heavy hadrons:  $\approx 50$  fs

**Dipole magnet:**

Bending power: 4 Tm

**Precise tracking system:**

$\epsilon(trk) \approx 96\%$   
 Momentum resolution:  
 $\frac{\Delta p}{p} = 0.5\% \quad p = 20 \text{ GeV}$   
 $0.8\% \quad p = 100 \text{ GeV}$



JINST 3 (2008) S08005;  
IJMPA 30 (2015) 1530022

**Spectrometer:**

very good mass resolution  $\sigma(m_{B \rightarrow hh}) \approx 22 \text{ MeV}$

**Electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters**

ECAL:  $\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = 1\% \oplus \frac{10\%}{\sqrt{E[\text{GeV}]}}$

**Muon system:**

$\epsilon(\mu \rightarrow \mu) \approx 97\%$   
 $\epsilon(\pi \rightarrow \mu) \approx (1-3)\%$

**Trigger:**

Highly flexible, currently have “offline quality”

➤ General advantages (pp interaction):

- High production cross-sections for HF ( $2 \times 10^4$  bbar pairs/s i.e.  $10^3$  larger than at the  $e^+e^-$  B factories)
- Simultaneous accumulation of huge  $B_d$ ,  $B_s$  and b-baryons data samples (composition 4:1:2)
- The decay vertices are well separated from the production point (high boost of heavy hadrons)

➤ LHCb specific advantages (single arm forward spectrometer:  $0.8^\circ < \Theta < 15.4^\circ$ ) :

- LHCb captures a HF production cross-section, comparable to that of ATLAS and CMS (high- $p_T$  range) in MUCH SMALLER SOLID ANGLE → smaller number of electronic channels  
→ smaller event size → larger trigger bandwidth to store (dominated by b and c physics)
- LHCb – forward detector ( $p \gg p_T$ ): efficient muon identification for lower  $P_T$  values
- Space to accommodate excellent RICH detectors (flavour tagging, background suppression)

➤ General drawbacks:

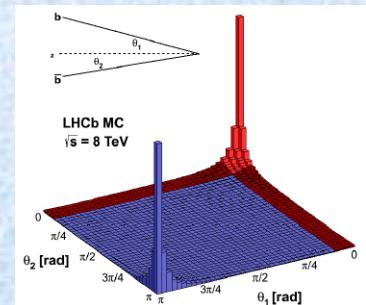
- The instantaneous luminosity is limited by the detector readout capabilities ( $4 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ )
- The efficiencies of  $\gamma$ ,  $\pi^0$  and  $\eta$  reconstruction are much lower, compared with the  $e^+e^-$

| Run | Years   | Lum.<br>[fb <sup>-1</sup> ] | $\sqrt{s}$<br>[TeV] | $\sigma_{b\bar{b}}$<br>[ $\mu b$ ] | $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$<br>[ $\mu b$ ] |
|-----|---------|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1   | 2011-12 | 3.0                         | 7,8                 | 70                                 | 1400                               |
| 2   | 2015-17 | 3.3                         | 13                  | 150                                | 2400                               |
| 2   | 2018    | 2.7                         | 13                  |                                    |                                    |

Goal for Run3 and Run4: 50 fb<sup>-1</sup>

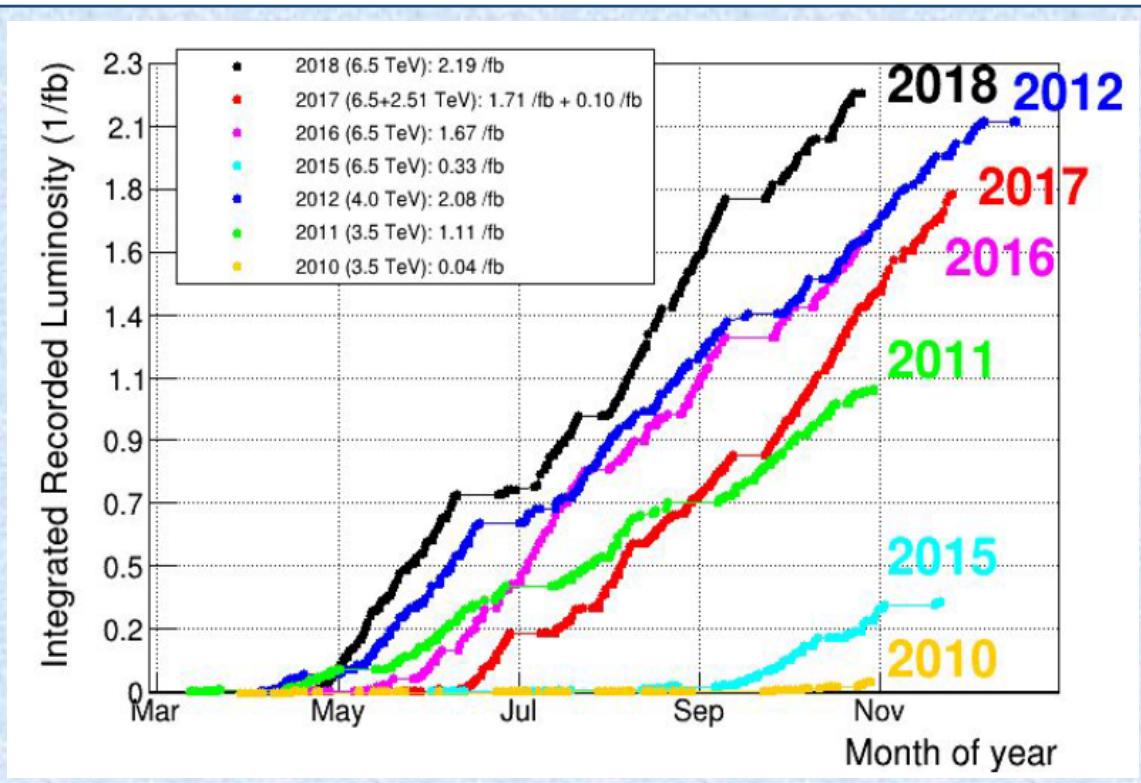
$$2 < \eta < 4.5$$

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 JHEP 03 (2017) 074  
 PRL 118 (2017) 052002

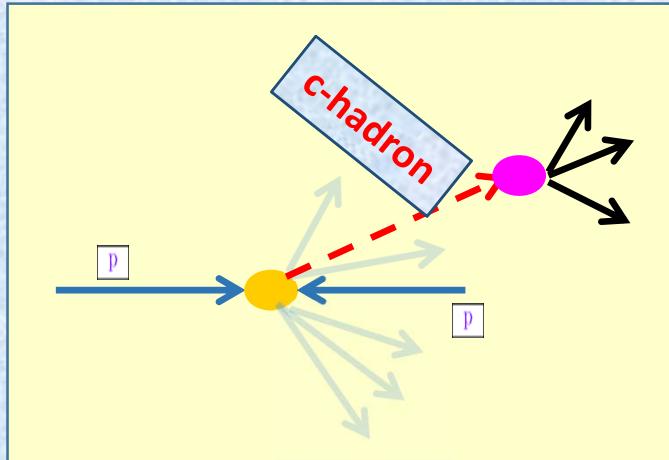


- All results presented here correspond to Run 1 data:  
 $3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   
 $4 \times 10^{12}$  b-hadrons produced

- Run 2 vs Run 1:
  - more abundant production of b-hadrons
  - improvements in trigger and selection efficiencies

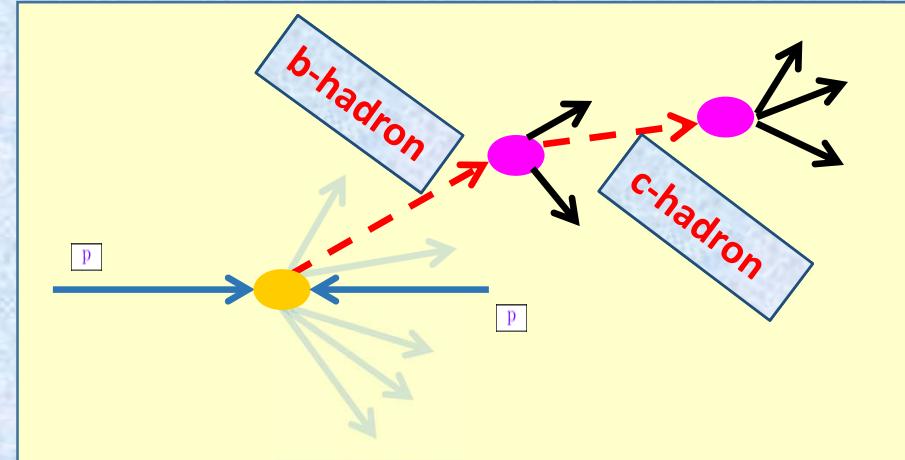


➤ Direct (prompt) production



- high cross-section (high statistics)
- Substantial combinatorial background
- All states can show up

➤ Production in weak decays of beauty hadrons



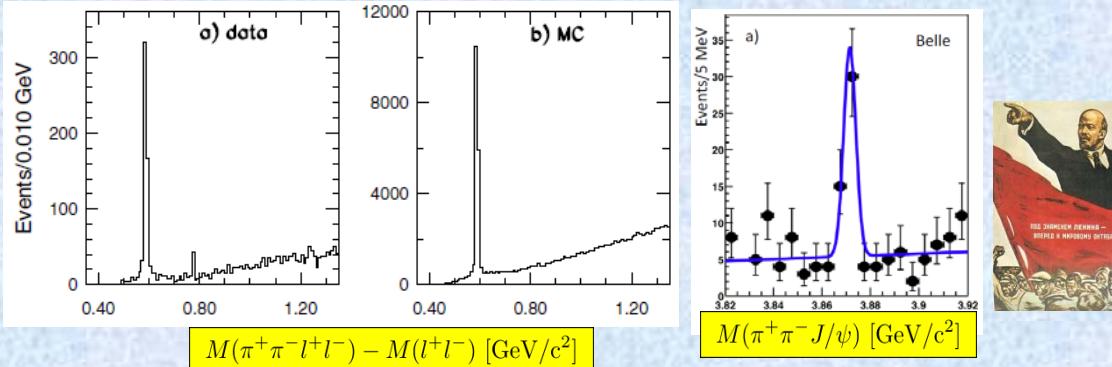
- Smaller yields, but much reduced background
- More tools e.g. kinematical constraints, detached vertices...
- Knowledge about the initial state → determination of quantum numbers of the observed states
- Only states, with specific spin-parities can be observed
- The c-hadron can show up in high(-er) multiplicity final states

➤ **X(3872) - the trigger of exotic revolution**

- Belle (2003): PRL 91 (2003) 262001
- observation of narrow state X in  $B \rightarrow [\pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi] K$  decay

➤ **The current nomenclature of the PDG:**

$$X(3872) \equiv \chi_{c1}(3872)$$



➤ **Follow-up observations by BaBar, CDF, D0, BESIII, CMS, LHCb...**

➤ **The (striking) properties of X(3872):**

1. Mass close to the  $D^0 \bar{D}^{0*}$  threshold

LHCb (2012; data: 35 pb<sup>-1</sup>) EPJC 72 (2012) 1972 585±74 events

the first observation of the inclusive production of the X(3872) in the process:  $pp \rightarrow X(3872) + \text{anything}$ ,  $X(3872) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi$

$$M(X(3872)) = 3871.95 \pm 0.48 \pm 0.12 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

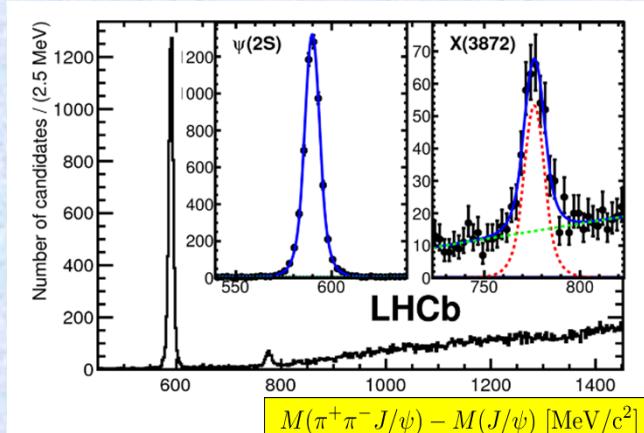
PDG:

$$M(X(3872)) = 3871.69 \pm 0.17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$



$$M(D^0 + \bar{D}^{0*}) = 3871.68 \pm 0.10 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$M(D^0 + \bar{D}^{0*}) - M(X(3872)) = 0.01 \pm 0.20 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \rightarrow \text{a } D^0 \bar{D}^{0*} \text{ molecule?}$$



2. Narrow width in decays to charmonia:  $\Gamma < 1.2 \text{ MeV}/c^2$  (Belle PR D84 (2011) 052004 )

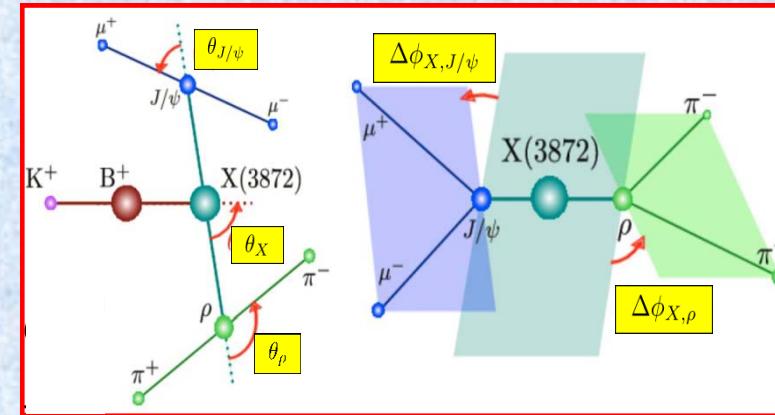
3. Spin-parity:  $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$  - unequivocally determined by the LHCb (2013): data:  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $313 \pm 26$  ev.

PRL 110 (2013) 222001

The amplitude analysis of 5D angular correlations of the decay  
 $B^+ \rightarrow X(3872)K^+$ ,  $X(3872) \rightarrow \rho^0 J/\psi$ ,  $\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$   
(helicity formalism)

The variables:

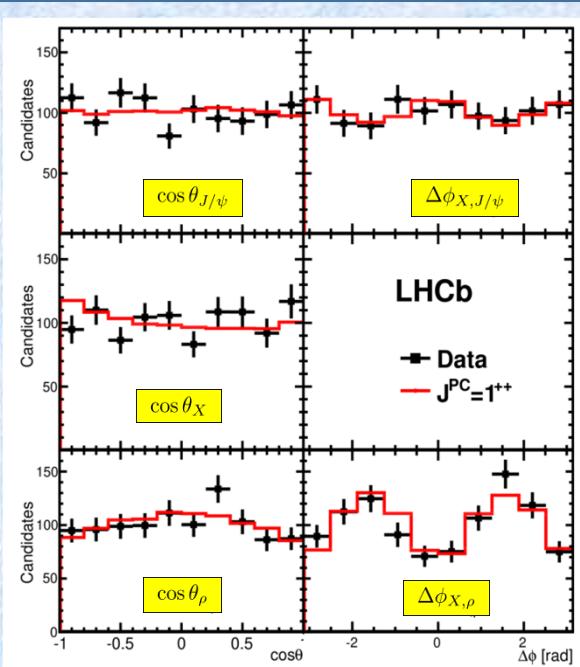
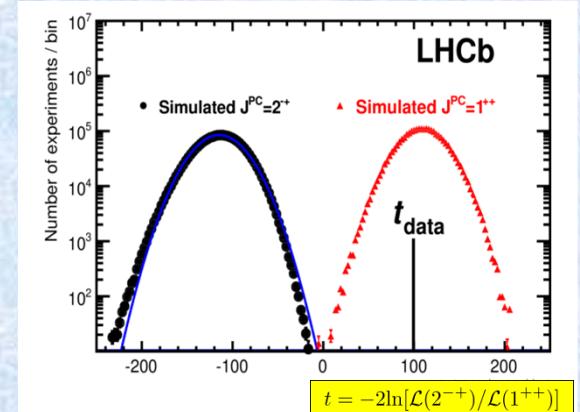
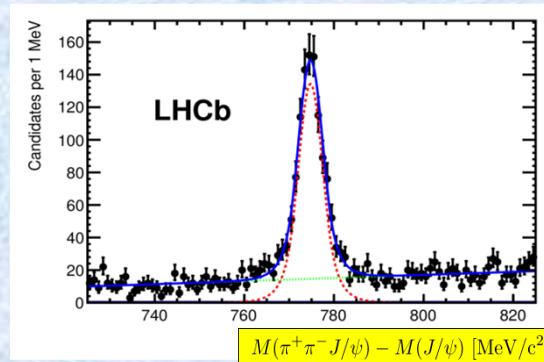
$\theta_X$ ,  $\theta_{J/\psi}$ ,  $\theta_\rho$ ,  
 $\Delta\phi_{X,J/\psi}$ ,  $\Delta\phi_{X,\rho}$



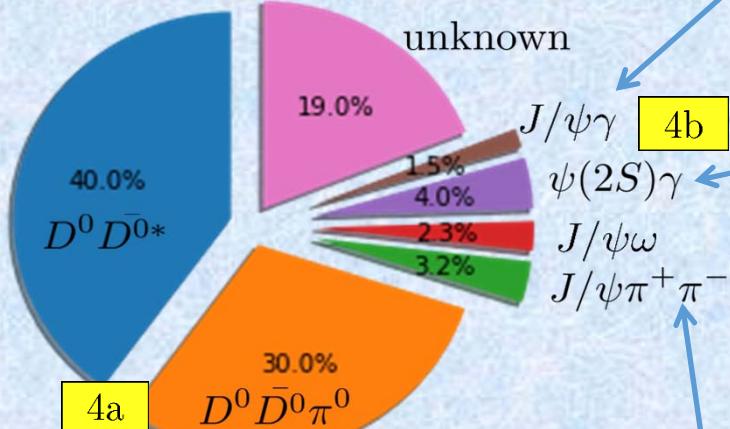
The last remaining controversy ( $2^+$  vs  $1^{++}$ ) solved:  
The  $2^+$  hypothesis excluded with a significance  $> 8\sigma$

LHCb (2015): PRD 92 (2015) 011102  
data  $3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $1011 \pm 38$  events

For the first time, no assumption  
about the orbital angular momentum  
in the  $X(3872)$  decay  
 $J^{PC}=1^{++}$  confirmed



## 4. Decay modes



BaBar (2009):

$$\mathcal{B}(X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma) > 4\%$$

PRL 102 (2009) 132001

LHCb (2014):

NuclPhys B886 (2014) 665

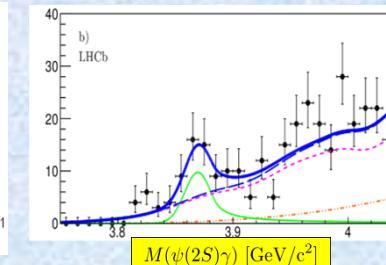
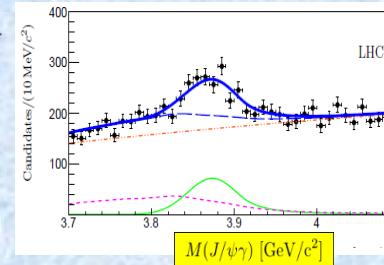
C = 1

$4b^*$

$$R_{J/\psi \gamma} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(X(3872) \rightarrow \psi(2S)\gamma)}{\mathcal{B}(X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma)} = 2.46 \pm 0.64 \pm 0.29$$

PLB 588 (2004) 189

Set constraints on molecular interpretation ( $R_{J/\psi \gamma} \ll 1$ )



But BESIII:

$$R_{J/\psi \gamma} < 0.59$$

(90% C.L.)

arXiv:2001.01156

5. In the decay  $X(3872) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi$  the  $M(\pi\pi)$  is concentrated around the  $\rho$  mass

EPJC 72 (2012) 1972

The X decays to  $J/\psi \rho$  and  $J/\psi \omega$  with comparable branching fractions → isospin violation

PRD 92 (2015) 011102

6. In the decay  $X(3872) \rightarrow \rho^0 J/\psi$ , no significant D-wave fraction (<4% at 95% CL) was found by LHCb:

The decay in S-wave dominates

PRD 92 (2015) 011102

7. I = 0 No charged partner, no C = -1 partner found (Belle & BaBar; searches for  $X(3872)^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^0, J/\psi \rho^+$ )

8. Negative results of the searches for  $X(3872) \rightarrow p\bar{p}$  and  $X(3872) \rightarrow \phi\phi$  (LHCb (2017) 3fb<sup>-1</sup>)

$$R_{X(3872)} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow X(3872)K^+) \times \mathcal{B}(X(3872) \rightarrow p\bar{p})}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+) \times \mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow p\bar{p})} < 0.25 \times 10^{-2} \text{ (95% C.L.)}$$

PLB 769 (2017) 305

$$\mathcal{B}(b \rightarrow X(3872) + \text{anything}) \times \mathcal{B}(X(3872) \rightarrow \phi\phi) < 4.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ (95% C.L.)}$$

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## 9. The first observation of $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ in a baryon decay

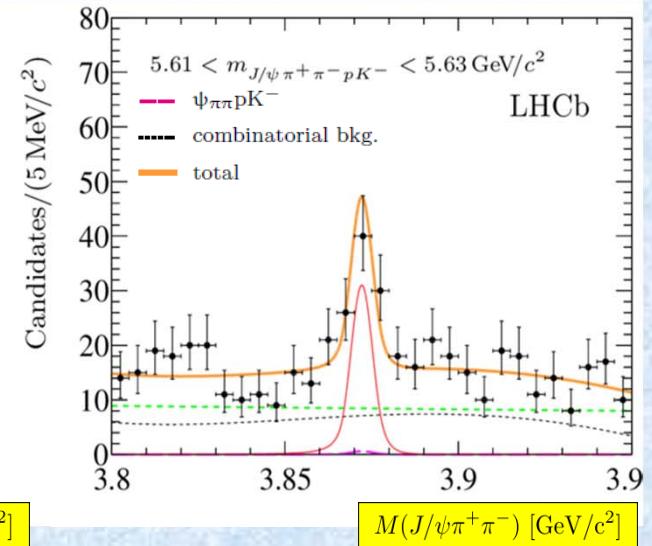
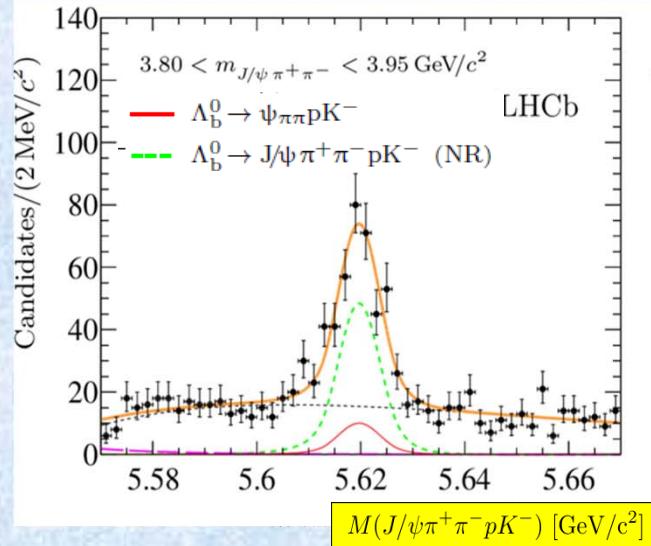
► LHCb (2019):

search for the decay

$$\begin{aligned}\Lambda_b^0 &\rightarrow \chi_{c1}(3872)pK^- \\ \chi_{c1} &\rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-\end{aligned}$$

(2011-12, 2016 data  $4.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

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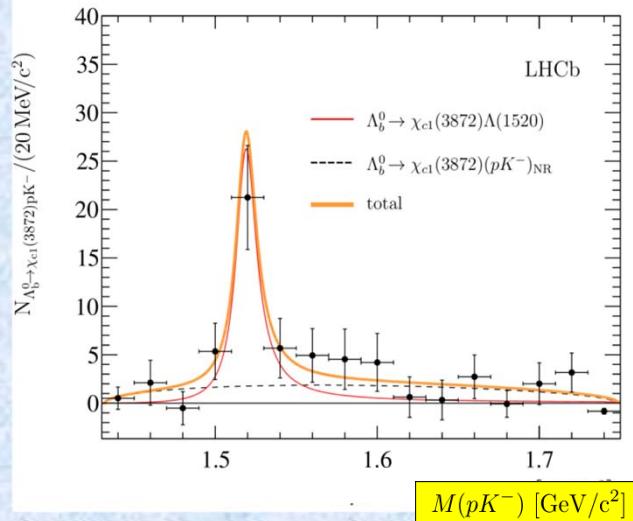
Fit to  $J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-pK^-$  and  $J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-$  mass spectra:  
 the signal of  $55 \pm 11$  events;  $7.2\sigma$

$$R_{X(3872)} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \chi_{c1}(3872)pK^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \psi(2S)pK^-)} \times \frac{\mathcal{B}(\chi_{c1} \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\psi(2S) \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-)} = (5.4 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-2}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \chi_{c1}(3872)pK^-) \times \mathcal{B}(\chi_{c1}(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-) = (1.24 \pm 0.25^{+0.23}_{-0.19}) \times 10^{-6}$$

(58±15)% of signal decays proceed through 2-body decay

$$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \chi_{c1}(3872)\Lambda^0(1520)(\rightarrow pK^-)$$

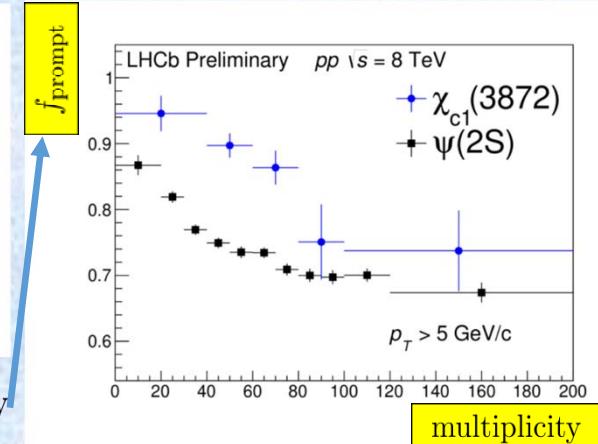
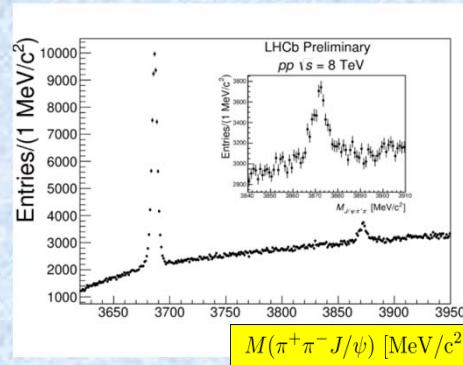




## 10. The relative production of $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ and $\psi(2S)$ vs particle multiplicity

→ LHCb (2019) 2fb<sup>-1</sup>: LHCb-CONF-2019-005

studies of the decays  $\psi(2S) \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-$   
and  $\chi_{c1}(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-$

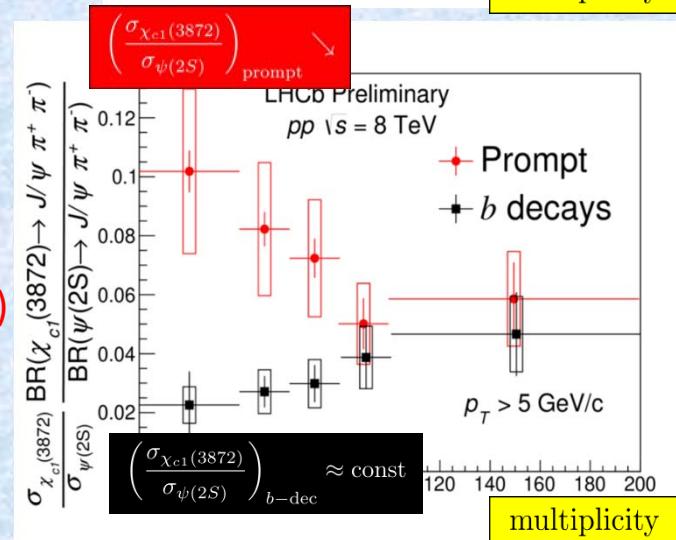


$f_{\text{prompt}} =$  the fraction of  $\chi_{c1}(3872)$  and  $\psi(2S)$  that are produced promptly

### □ With the increasing multiplicity:

- for the production via b-decays: the rates for  $\chi_{c1}(3872)$  and  $\psi(2S)$  decrease in the similar way (decays in vacuum)
- the prompt production of  $\chi_{c1}(3872)$  is suppressed relative to prompt  $\psi(2S)$  production (final state interactions with hadrons from the underlying event and with co-moving ones)

→ consistent with the interpretation of the  $\chi_{c1}(3872)$  as a weakly bound state e.g. a  $D^0\bar{D}^{0*}$  hadronic molecule which should dissociate strongly in prompt production



Interpretation: **X(3872)** is likely a mixture of a  $\chi_{c1}(2^3P_{1++})$  charmonium and of  $D^0\bar{D}^{0*}$  molecule  
**Molecule:** properties 1, 2, 3, 4a, 5 (→ only a small admixture of  $D^+D^{+*}$ , compare with  $D^0\bar{D}^{0*}$ ), 6 and 10  
**Charmonium:** radiative decays (4b\*), 7 and observation of prompt production rates (ALICE and ATLAS)



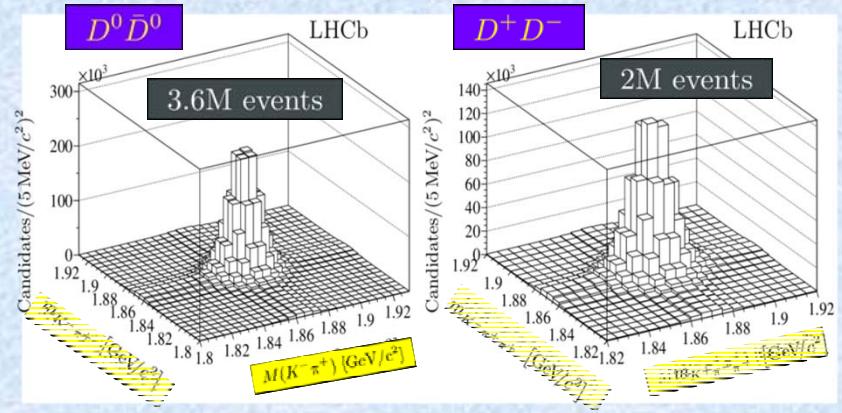
➤ LHCb (2019):

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▪ Study of near  $D\bar{D}$  threshold spectroscopy:

Prompt  $D^0\bar{D}^0$  and  $D^+\bar{D}^-$  pairs combined;  
two displaced vertices coming from  
the same primary vertex

The first LHCb analysis using Run1 & Run2 data:  $9\text{fb}^{-1}$



➤ Four peaking structures observed:

1. A narrow peak just above the threshold:

$X(3872) \equiv \chi_{c1} \rightarrow D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$ ,  $D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0\pi^0$  or  $D^{*0} \rightarrow D^0\eta'$

2. A broad maximum:  $\psi(3770) \rightarrow D\bar{D}$  - the 1st observation of hadroproduction of  $\psi(3770)$

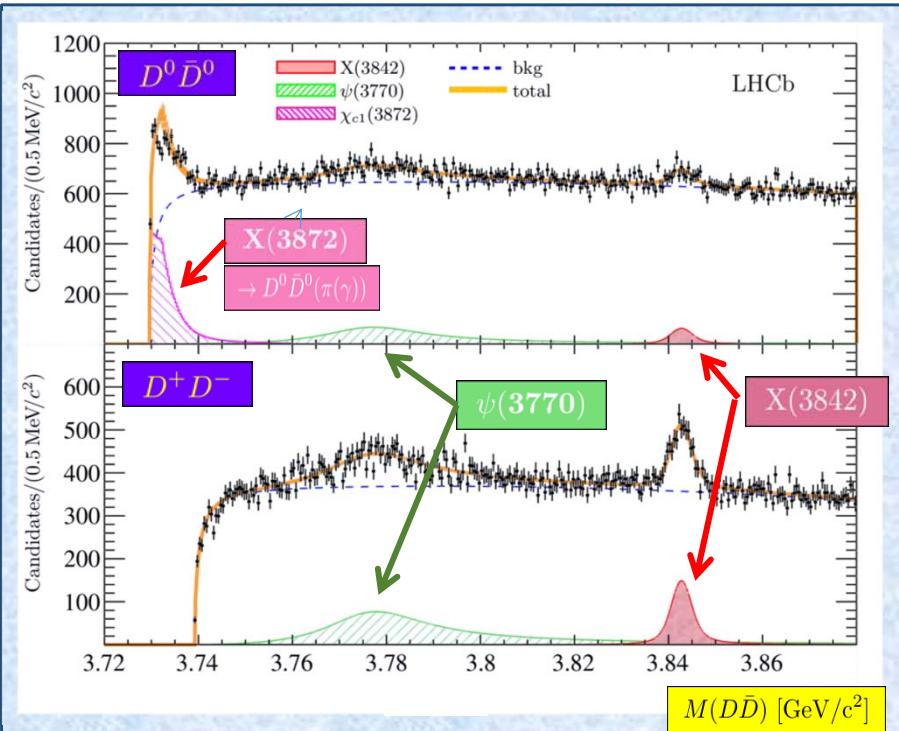
$$M_{\psi(3770)} = 3778.1 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

3. A narrow peak corresponding to the NEW STATE:

$$M_{X(3842)} = 3842.71 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.12 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma_{X(3842)} = 2.79 \pm 0.51 \pm 0.35 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

The properties consistent with the  $\Psi_3(1^3D_{3-})$  charmonium state with  $J^P = 3^-$



**4. A wide structure, mostly in the  $D^+D^-$  mass spectrum at  $\approx 3920$  MeV/c $^2$ , interpreted as:**

$$\chi_{c2}(3930) \rightarrow D\bar{D}$$

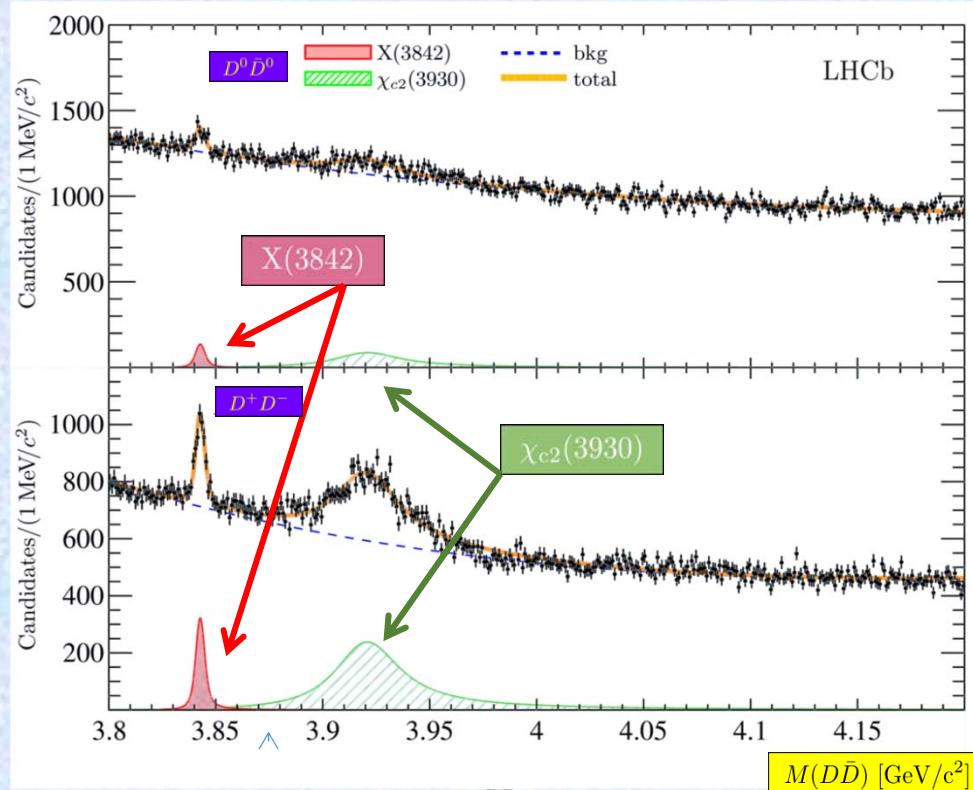
$$M_{\chi_{c2}(3930)} = 3921.9 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.2 \text{ MeV/c}^2$$

$$\Gamma_{\chi_{c2}(3930)} = 36.6 \pm 1.9 \pm 0.9 \text{ MeV/c}^2$$

However:

- The measured mass of the  $\chi_{c2}(3930)$  is about  $2\sigma$  below the current world average
- The width of the  $\chi_{c2}(3930)$  is about  $2\sigma$  above the current world average
- The measured mass of the  $\chi_{c2}(3930)$  is midway between the PDG mass of this state and the mass of the X(3915) hadron, which is only known to decay to the J/ $\psi\omega$  final state

The open question: are the  $\chi_{c2}(3930)$  and X(3915) two distinct hadrons or there is just one charmonium state in this mass region?



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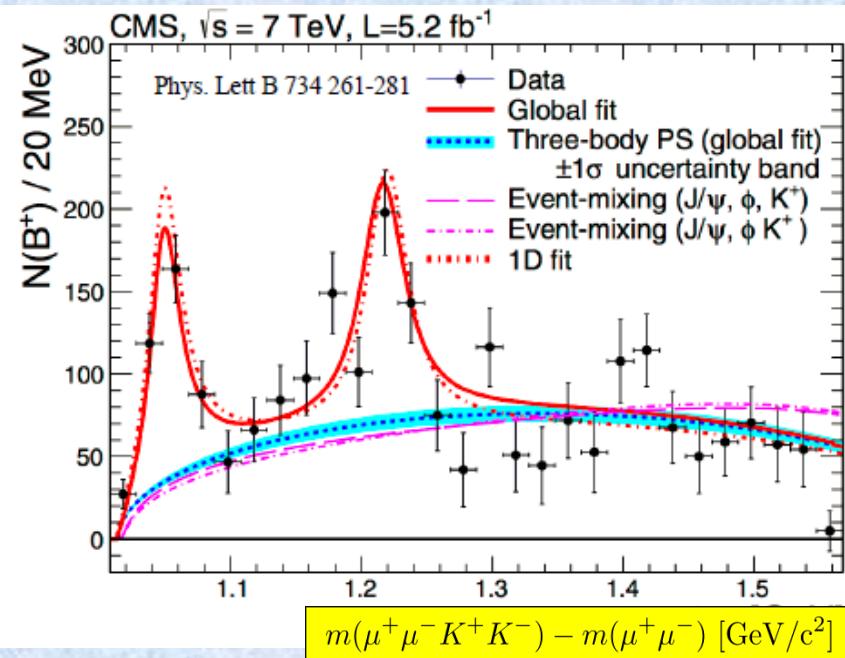
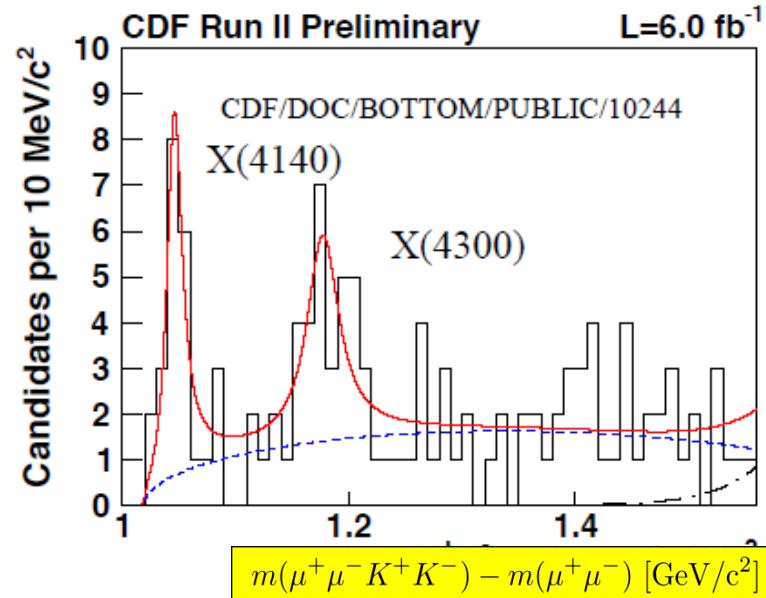
# The Puzzling States $X \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$

- **X(4140)** - evidence for a narrow near threshold structure in  $B^+ \rightarrow (J/\psi\phi) K^+$  decays: CDF, D0, CMS
- **X(4274)** – the second relatively narrow [J/ $\psi$   $\phi$ ] state – evidence from CDF and CMS

CDF:  
PRL 102 (2009) 242002  
arXiv: 1101.6058 [hep-ex]

D0:  
PR D89 (2014) 012004  
PRL115 (2015) 232001

CMS:  
PL 734 (2014) 261



- Negative results from B-factories

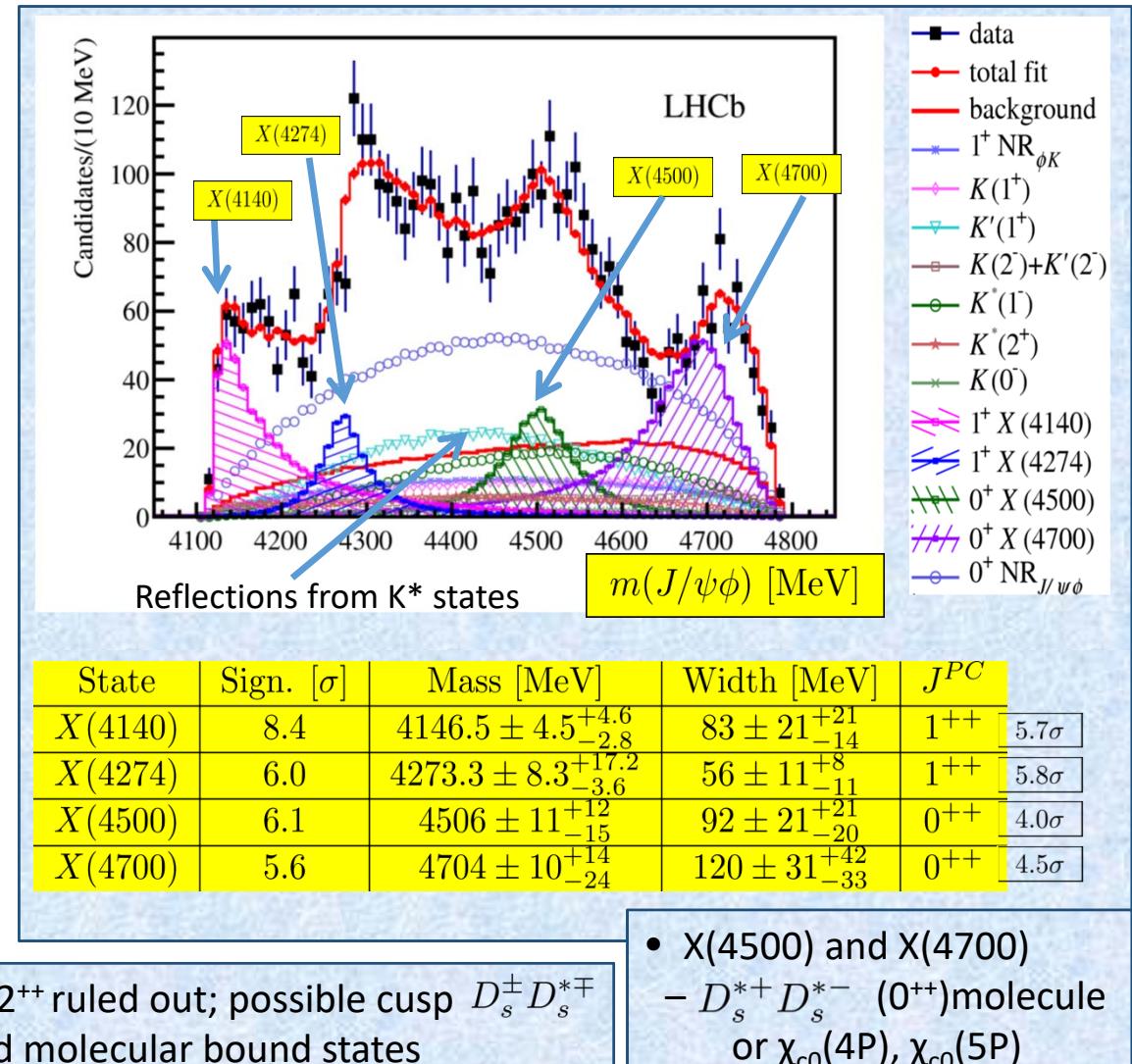
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➤ LHCb (2017): the first amplitude analysis of  $B^+ \rightarrow [J/\psi \phi] K^+$  decays

PRL 118 (2017) 02203, PR D95 (2017) 012002

- 4289+151 candidates; nearly background free
- 6D phase space composed of  $m(\phi K)$ , helicity angles and  $\Delta\phi$  angles
- The amplitude analysis aimed to resolve  $K^* \rightarrow K \phi$  from the potential  $X \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$  resonances
- The model with excited  $K^*$ 's ( $\rightarrow K\phi$ ) does not describe the data
- Good description upon inclusion of four broad exotic resonances
- The  $X(4140)$  width is substantially larger than previously determined (average of other meas. (1D fits):  $15.7 \pm 6.3$  MeV/c<sup>2</sup>)
- $X(4140)$  and  $X(4274)$  – the leading interpretation as tetraquarks (no light valence quarks) or  $\chi_{c1}(3P)$
- $X(4140)$  -  $D_s^{*+} D_s^{*-}$  molecules  $0^{++}$  and  $2^{++}$  ruled out; possible cusp  $D_s^{\pm} D_s^{*\mp}$
- $X(4274)$  - incompatible with cusps and molecular bound states



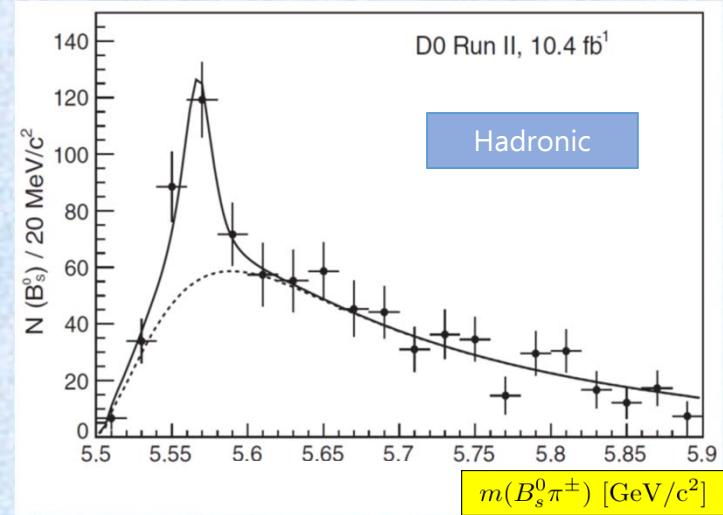
- **D0 (2016): reports a narrow structure X(5568) in the  $B_s^0 \pi^+$  spectrum**  $X^\pm(5568) \rightarrow B_s^0 \pi^\pm$

PRL 117 (2016) 022003

$$B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$$

$$m = 5567.8 \pm 2.9 \text{ (stat)} \quad {}^{+0.9}_{-1.9} \text{ (syst)} \text{ MeV/c}^2 \quad (5.1 \sigma)$$

- The ratio of yields:  $\rho_X = \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow X + \text{anything}) \times \mathcal{B}(X \rightarrow B_s^0 \pi^\pm)}{\sigma(pp \rightarrow B_s^0 + \text{anything})}$
- $\rho_X = (8.6 \pm 1.9 \pm 1.4) \%$
- Possible interpretation: a system containing valence (anti)quarks with four different flavours b,s,d,u e.g.  $[bd] - [\bar{s}\bar{u}]$ ,  $[bu] - [\bar{d}\bar{s}]$  - just one heavy quark (tightly bound tetraquark or a loosely bound  $B_d$ -K molecule) ?



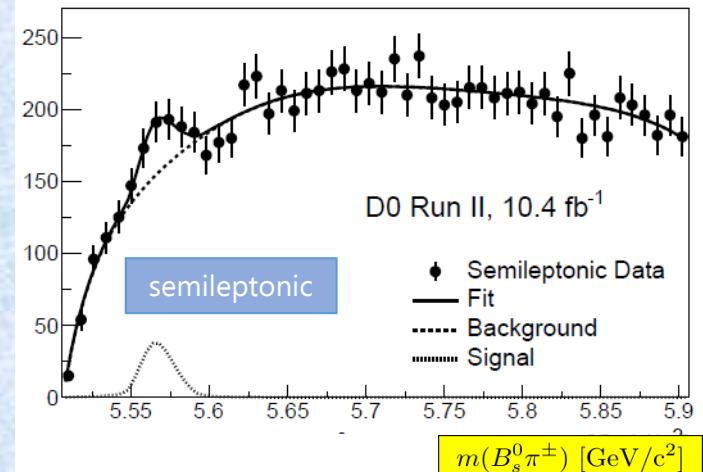
- **D0 (2017): the second evidence for the state X(5568) in the decay**  $X^\pm(5568) \rightarrow B_s^0 \pi^\pm$

$$B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^\mp D_s^\pm X, D_s^\pm \rightarrow \psi \pi^\pm$$

- Combining hadronic and semileptonic data:

$$m = 5566.9 {}^{+3.2}_{-3.1} \text{ (stat)} \quad {}^{+0.6}_{-1.2} \text{ (syst)} \text{ MeV/c}^2$$

$$\Gamma = 18.6 {}^{+7.9}_{-6.1} \text{ (stat)} \quad {}^{+3.5}_{-3.8} \text{ (syst)} \text{ MeV/c}^2 \quad (6.7 \sigma)$$



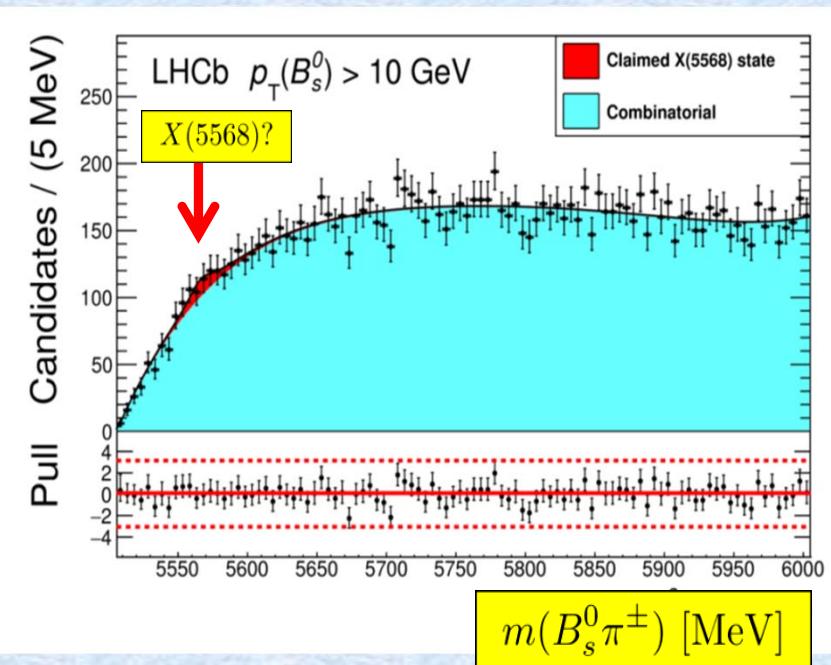
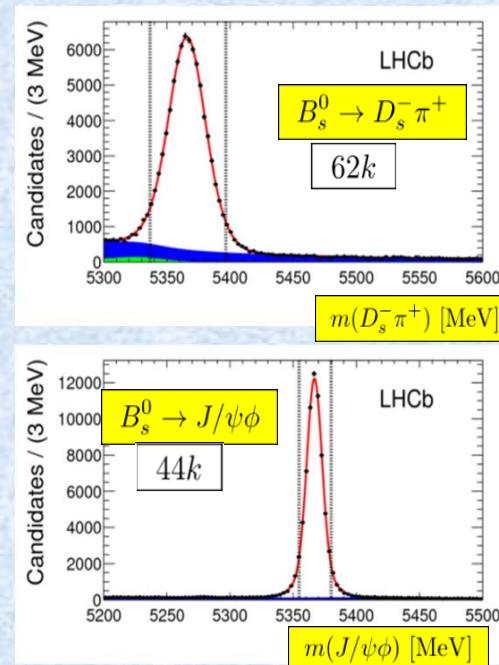
- **LHCb (2016):** 20x more  $D_s$  than D0 collab. - lack of observation of any X(5568)-like signal

PRL 117 (2016) 152003

$3\text{fb}^{-1}$

$$\rho_X < 2 \%$$

(95 % C.L.)



- Negative results also from:

**CDF (2018)**

$$\rho_X < 6.7 \%$$

PRL 120 (2018) 202006

**ATLAS (2018)**

$$\rho_X < 1.5 \%$$

PRL 120 (2018) 202007

**CMS (2018)**

$$\rho_X < 1.1 \%$$

(95 % C.L.)

PRL 120 (2018) 202005

# Charged Exotic State $Z_c(4430)^-$



- **Belle (2008): the 1st evidence for  $Z_c(4430)^-$  in  $\psi'\pi$  mass distribution ( $B^0 \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^-K^+$  decay)**

$$M_{Z_c(4430)^-} = 4485^{+22+28}_{-22-11} \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

PRL 100 (2008) 142001

PR D80 (2009) 031104

PR D88 (2013) 074026

$$\Gamma_{Z_c(4430)^-} = 200^{+41+26}_{-46-35} \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

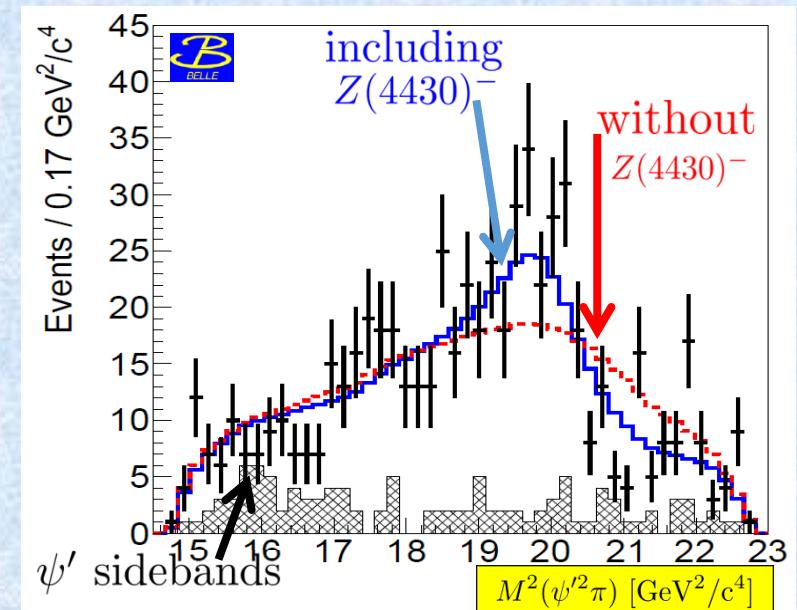
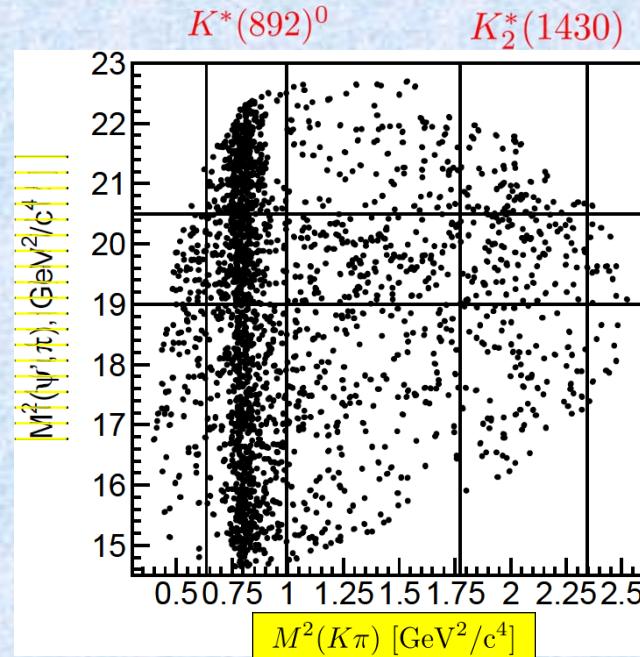
$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow Z_c(4430)^- (\rightarrow \psi'\pi^-) K^+) = (6.0^{+1.7+2.5}_{-2.0-1.4}) \times 10^{-5}$$

- **4D amplitude analysis** with the set of variables:  $m^2(K^+\pi^-)$ ,  $m^2(\psi'\pi^-)$ ,  $\cos\theta_{\psi'}$ ,  $\phi$

- The preferred spin parity assignment  $J^P = 1^+$

$\Theta_{\psi'}$  - The  $\psi'$  helicity angle

$\phi$  - the angle between the  $K^*$  and  $\psi'$  decay planes



- **BaBar (2009): null result**

PR D79 (2009) 112001

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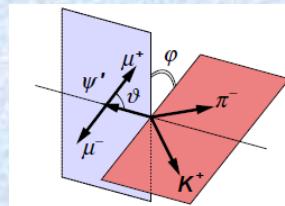
► LHCb (2014-15): tenfold increase in the signal yield (25 000 decays; Run1  $3\text{fb}^{-1}$ ); two approaches:

## 4D amplitude analysis

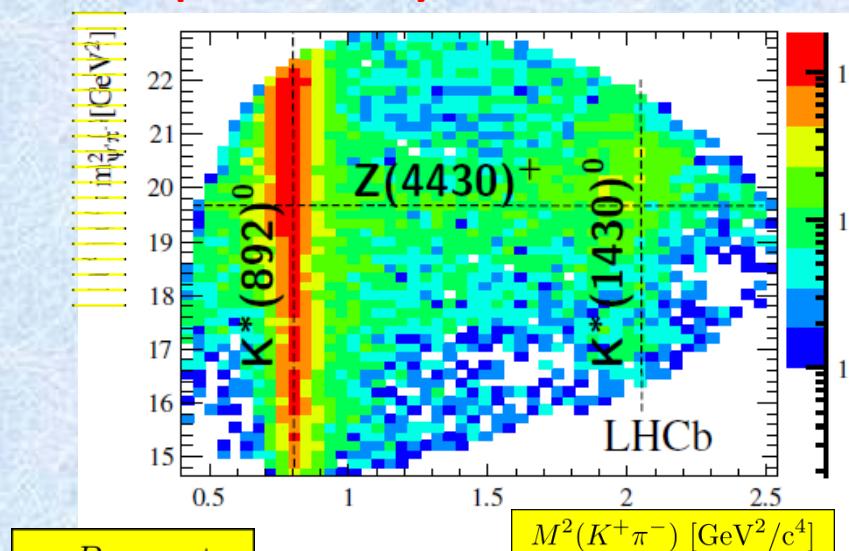
PRL 112 (2014) 222002

- The variables:

$$m(K^+\pi^-), m^2(\psi'\pi^-), \cos\theta_{\psi'}, \phi$$



## 4D amplitude analysis cont



$$J^P = 1^+$$

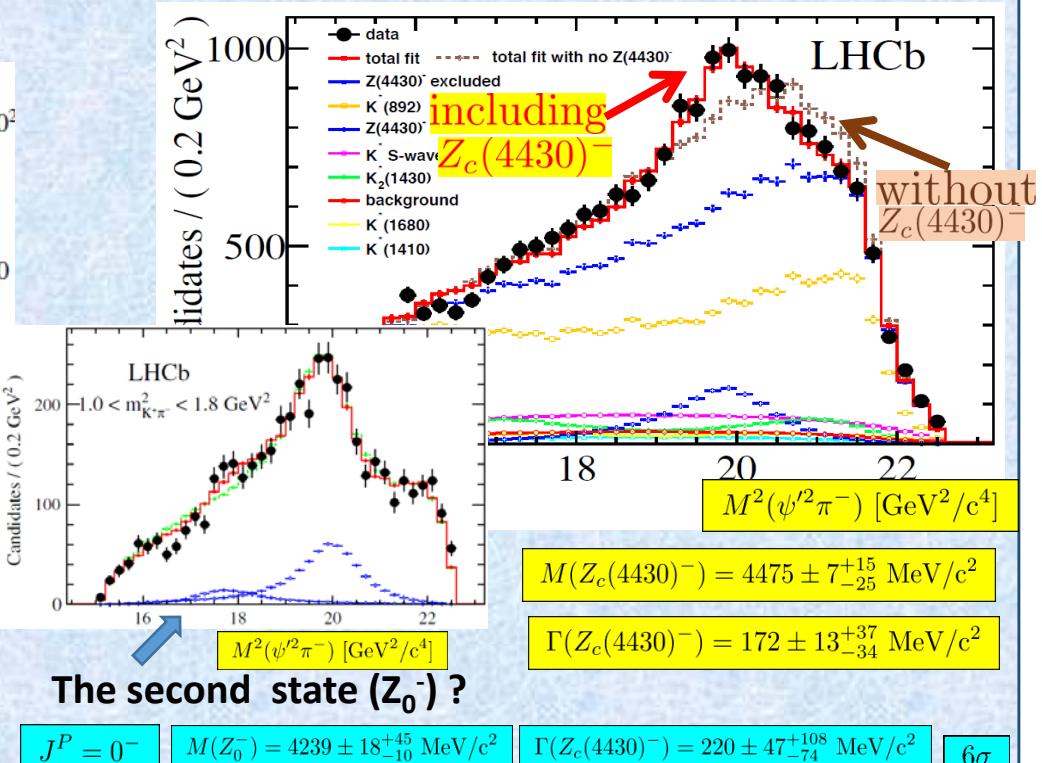
Assignment fully established

| relative to: | $J^P$              | $0^-$ | $1^-$ | $2^+$ | $2^-$ |
|--------------|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|              | sign. [ $\sigma$ ] | 9.7   | 15.8  | 16.1  | 14.6  |

## Model independent approach:

PRD 92 (2015) 112009

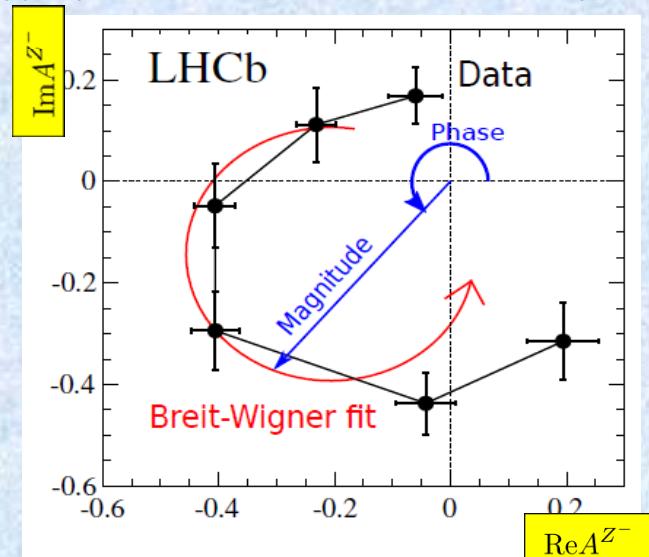
- The  $K\pi$  ang. distributions are extracted from data with Legendre polynomial moments and projected as reflection of the  $m(\psi'\pi)$  spectrum



## 4D amplitude analysis cont

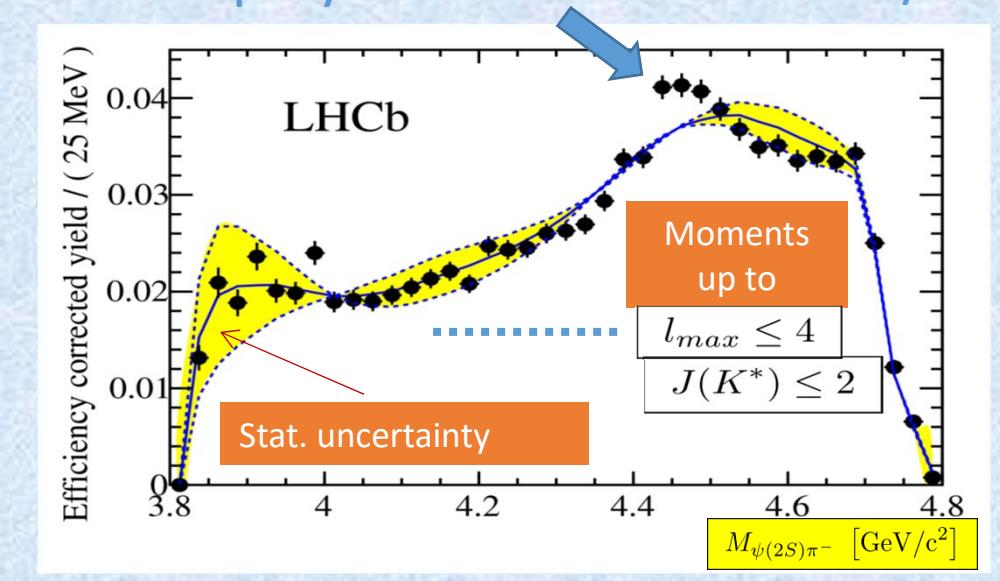
## Argand plot: clear resonant behavior

Additional fit to the  $Z_c(4430)^-$  Breit-Wigner amplitude in 6  $M^2(\psi'\pi)$  bins ( $M_Z = 4475 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ ,  $\Gamma_Z = 172 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ ;  $M^2(\psi'\pi)$  increases counterclockwise)



## Model independent approach:

- The  $K\pi$  angular distributions are extracted from data with Legendre polynomial moments and projected as reflection of the  $m(\psi'\pi)$  spectrum
- The hypothesis that  $K\pi$  reflections with  $J(K^*) \leq 2$  can explain the  $m(\psi'\pi)$  spectrum excluded ( $>8\sigma$ )**
- The discrepancy concentrates around  $4430 \text{ MeV}/c^2$**



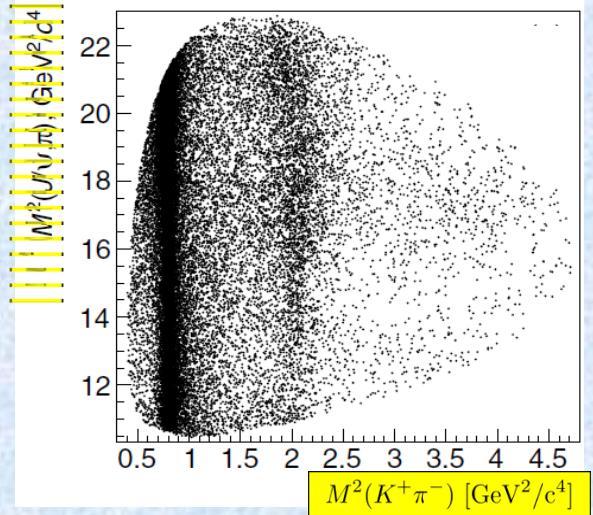
- Positive parity  $\rightarrow$  hypotheses of threshold effect  $\bar{D}^*(2007)D_1(2420)$  and  $\bar{D}^*(2007)D_2^*(2460)$  ruled out
- The most plausible interpretation of  $Z_c(4430)$ : a tetraquark; the minimal quark content  $c\bar{c}d\bar{u}$

- **Belle (2014): the 1st evidence for Z<sub>c</sub>(4200)<sup>-</sup> in J/ψπ mass distribution** ( $\sim 3 \times 10^4 B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^-K^+$  decays)
- In addition, the first evidence for  $Z_c(4430)^- \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^-$

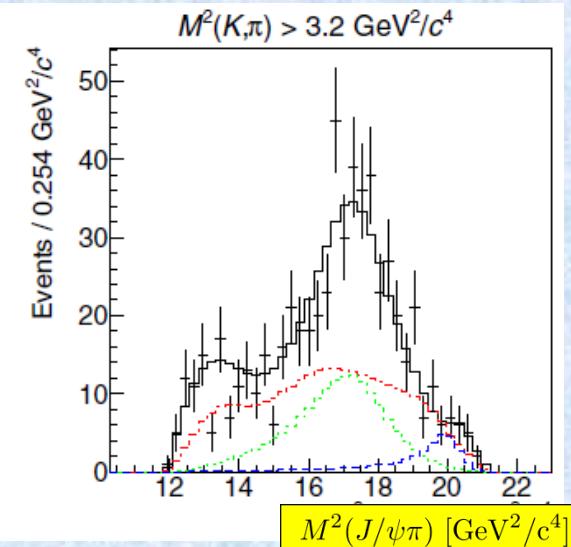
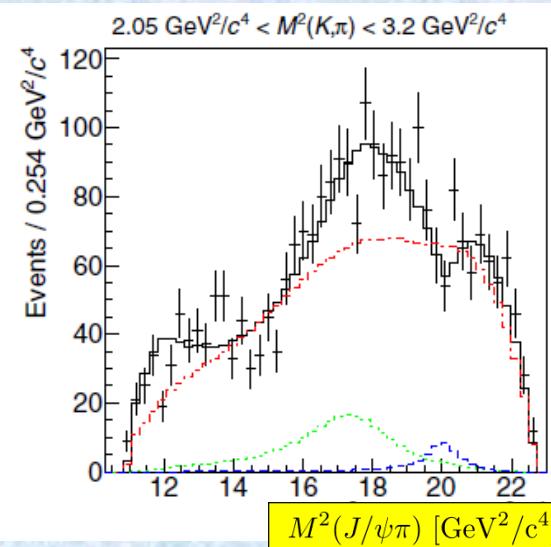
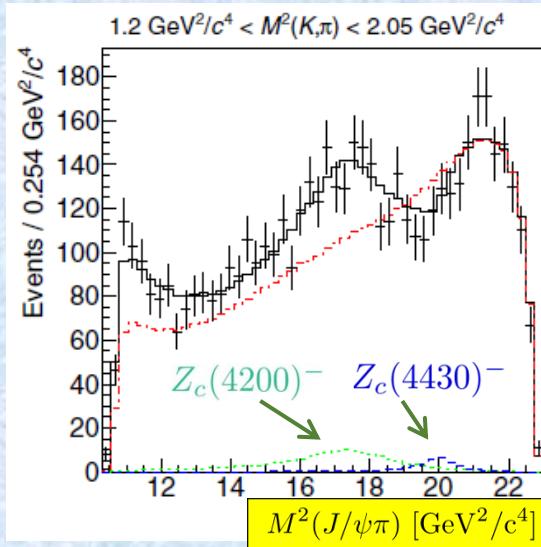
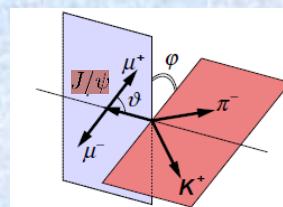
➤  $M_{Z_c(4200)^-} = 4196^{+31+17}_{-29-13} \text{ MeV}/c^2$

PR D90 (2014) 112009

$\Gamma_{Z_c(4200)^-} = 370^{+70+70}_{-70-132} \text{ MeV}/c^2$



- **4D amplitude analysis** with the set of variables:  
 $m^2(K^+\pi^-)$ ,  $m^2(J/\psi\pi^-)$ ,  $\cos\theta_{J/\psi}$ ,  $\phi$
- The preferred spin-parity assignment **J<sup>P</sup> = 1<sup>+</sup>**



➤ LHCb (2019): twentyfold increase in the signal yield ( $\sim 5.5 \times 10^5$   $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^- K^+$  decays, Run1 3fb<sup>-1</sup>)

- The decay  $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^- K^+$  is known to be dominated by K\*, resonances: exotic fraction 2.4 % (to compare with 10.3 % contribution from Z<sub>c</sub>(4430)<sup>-</sup> for  $B^0 \rightarrow \psi' \pi^- K^+$ )
- Model independent approach** – no information about the exact content of the K\* states is needed

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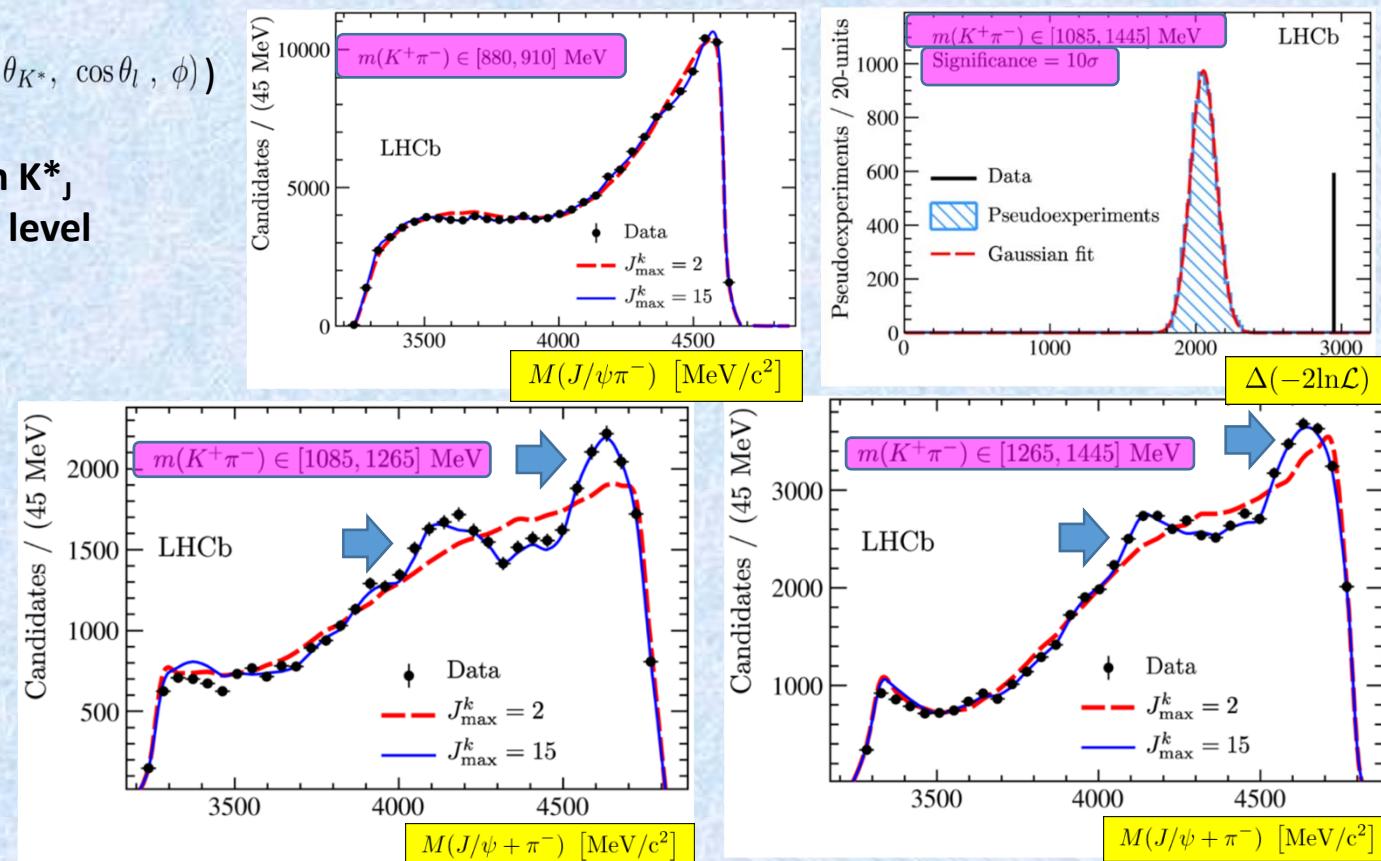
➤ 4D study (  $M(K^+ \pi^-)$ ,  $\cos \theta_{K^*}$ ,  $\cos \theta_l$ ,  $\phi$  )

➤ **Data inconsistent with K\***, reflections only at 10σ level

➤ Unphysical  
 $J_{max}^k = 15$  states

are needed  
 to describe  
 the data

↓  
**Confirmation  
 of the presence  
 of exotic contribution**



LHCb:

model-dependent amplitude analysis data is necessary to identify the origin of non-K\* contributions

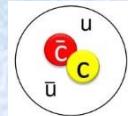
➤ LHCb (2018): Dalitz plot analysis of  $B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(1S)(\rightarrow p\bar{p})K^+\pi^-$  decays (2011, 2012 and 2016 data  $4.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

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➤ Motivation:

- $Z_c(3900)^-$  state - discovered in  $J/\psi\pi^-$  final state by BESIII, confirmed by Belle and CLEO (all in 2013)
- Possible interpretations of the  $Z_c(3900)^-$

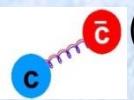
✓ Hadrocharmonium



→ expectation of a new charmonium-like state with a mass of  $\sim 3800 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ , decaying into  $\eta_c\pi^-$

Image from Godfrey & Olsen,  
Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 58 (2008) 51

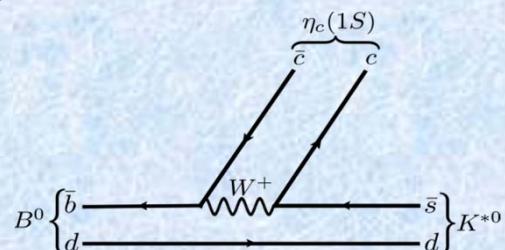
✓ Quarkonium hybrid



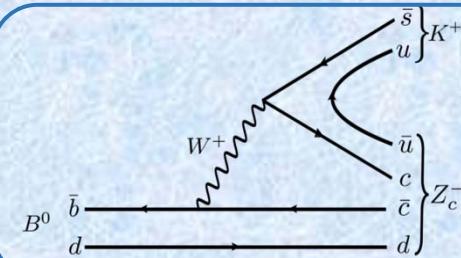
(with the valence gluon replaced by  $I=1$  excitation of the gluon and light quarks)  
→ expectation of several charmonium tetraquarks in the mass range  $(3800, 4500) \text{ MeV}/c^2$ , decaying into  $\eta_c\pi^-$

✓ The diquark model (diquarks are as important as quarks in the hadron spectrum)

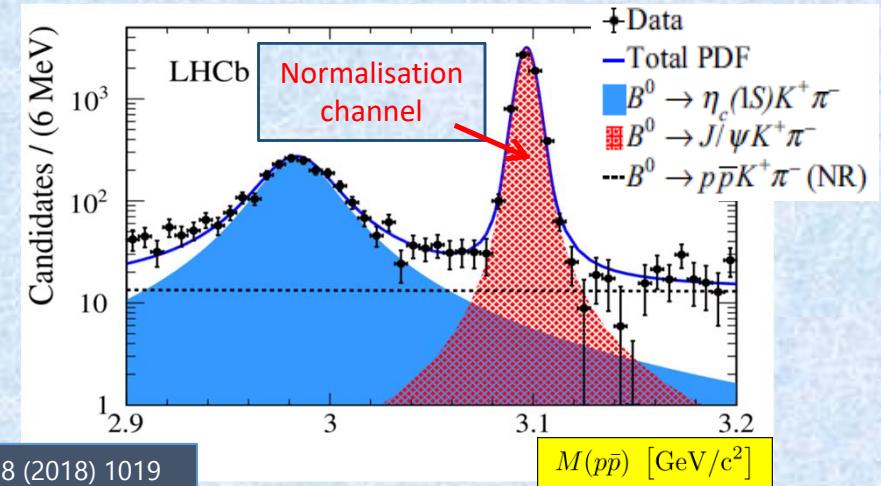
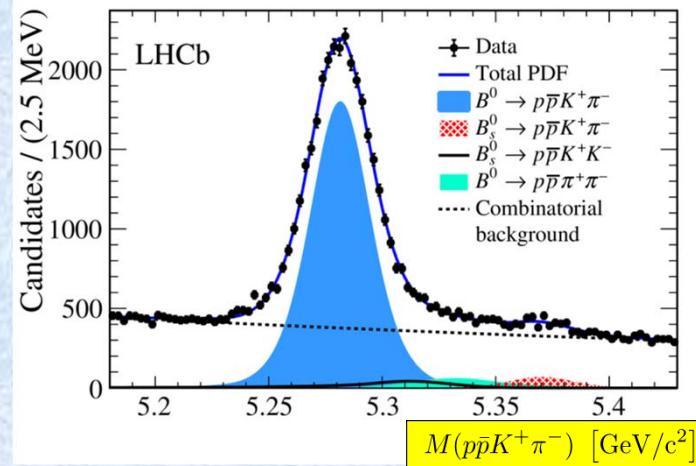
→ expectation of a  $J^P = 0^+$  state below the open-charm threshold, decaying into  $\eta_c\pi^-$



„Standard“  $K^*$  resonances dominate the decay  
 $B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(1S)K^+\pi^-$



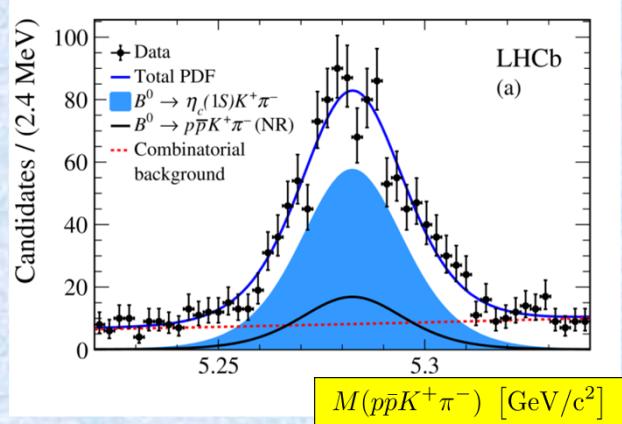
With the exotic contribution(s)  $Z_c$ , decaying into  $\eta_c\pi^-$



$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(1S)K^+\pi^-) = (5.73 \pm 0.24(\text{stat}) \pm 0.13(\text{syst}) \pm 0.66(\mathcal{B})) \times 10^{-4}$$

- the first measurement

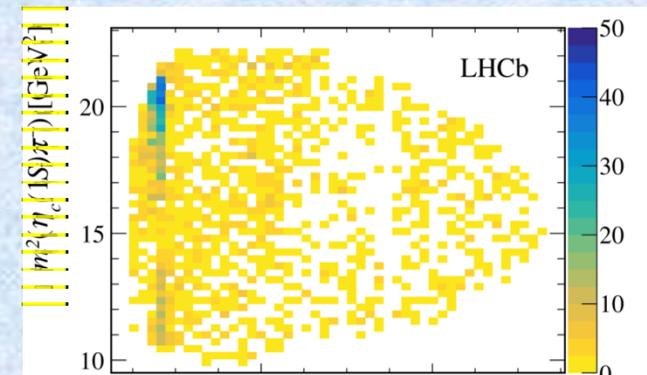
➤ 2D unbinned fit to  $M(p\bar{p}K^+\pi^-)$  and  $M(p\bar{p})$  distributions:



(plots for Run1 data)

$$N(B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c K^+\pi^-) = 1870 \pm 74$$

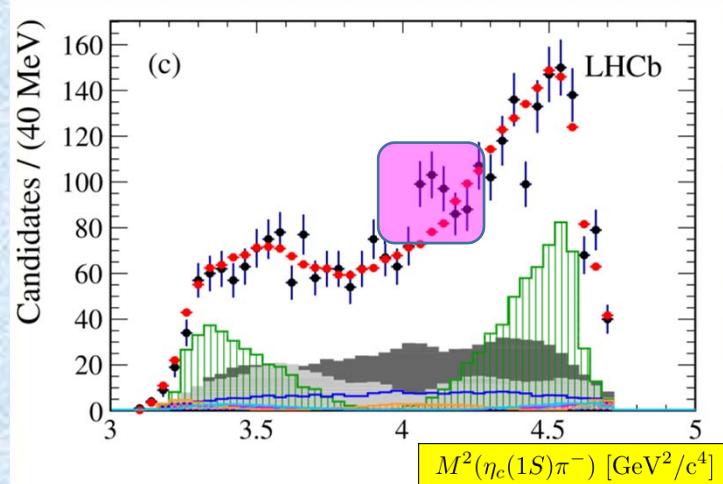
➤ Dalitz plot analysis: baseline fit – only  $K^*$ , contributions



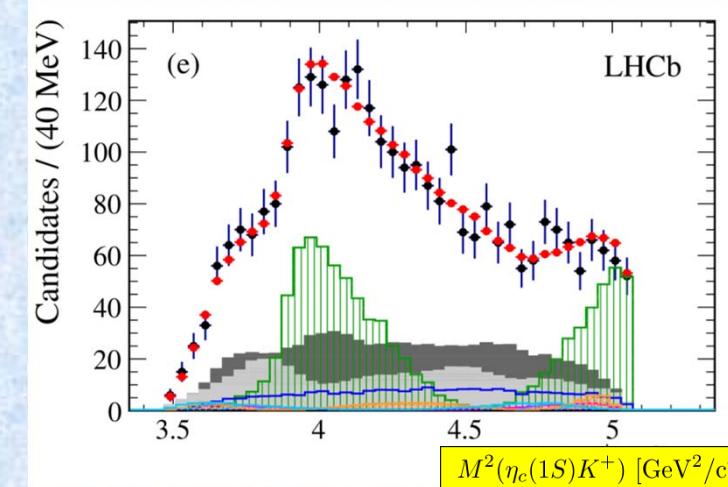
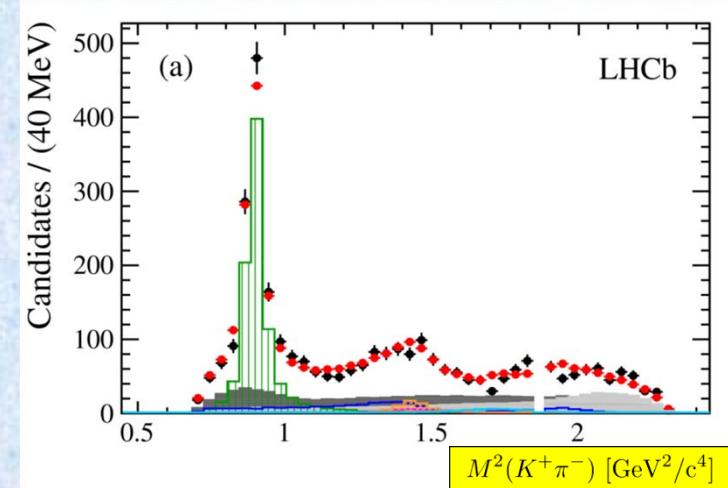
(background  
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- Data
- █ Combinatorial bkg
- █  $B^0 \rightarrow p\bar{p}K^+\pi^-$  (NR) bkg
- Total PDF



- █  $K^*(892)^0$
- █  $K^+\pi^-$  S-wave
- █  $K^*(1680)^0$
- █  $K^*(1410)^0$
- █  $K_2^*(1430)^0$



➤ Dalitz plot analysis: the fit including an exotic contribution

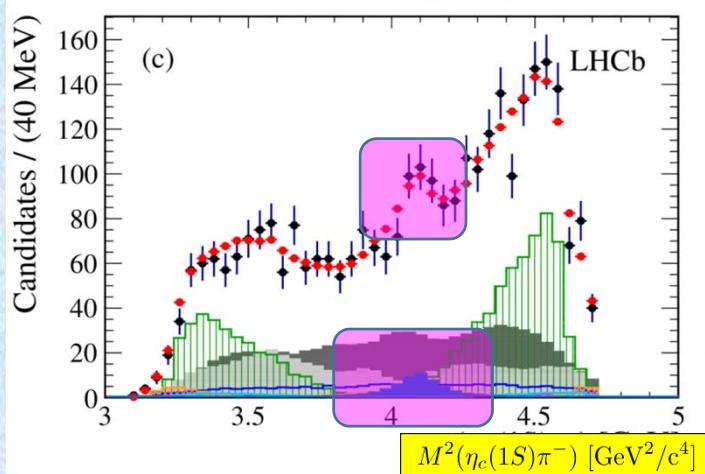
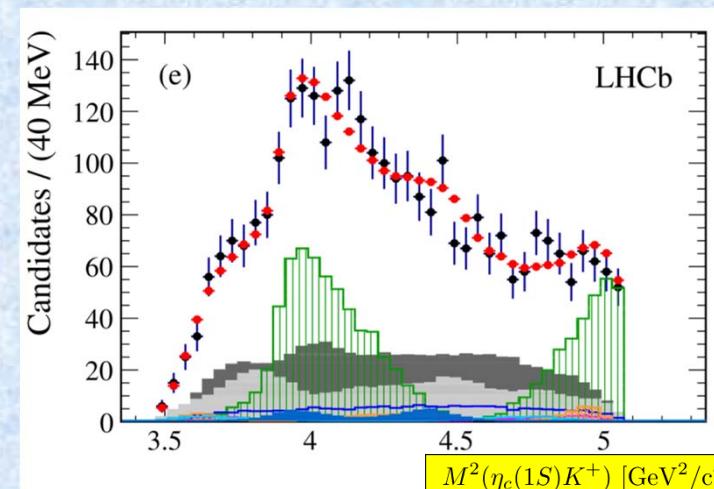
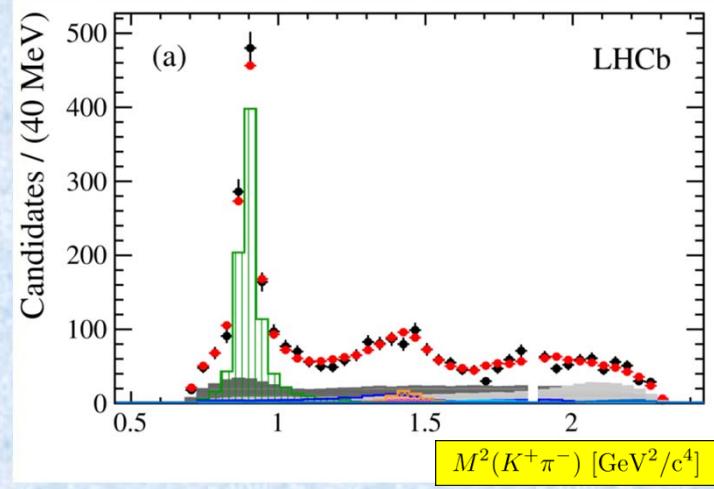
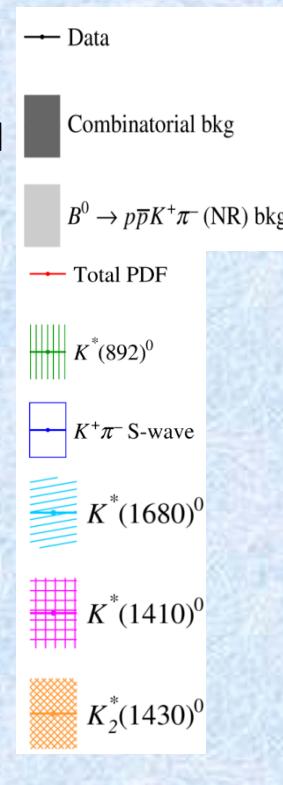
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- The addition of a  $J^P=1^-$  resonance in  $\eta_c\pi^-$  improves the fit by  $\Delta(-2\ln\mathcal{L}) = 41.4$  ( $4.8\sigma$ )

$$M_{Z_c(4100)^-} = 4096 \pm 20^{+18}_{-22} \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma_{Z_c(4100)^-} = 152 \pm 58^{+60}_{-35} \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

Significance  $3.4\sigma$   
( $4.8\sigma$  – stat. only)



- More data needed for unequivocal quantum number determination

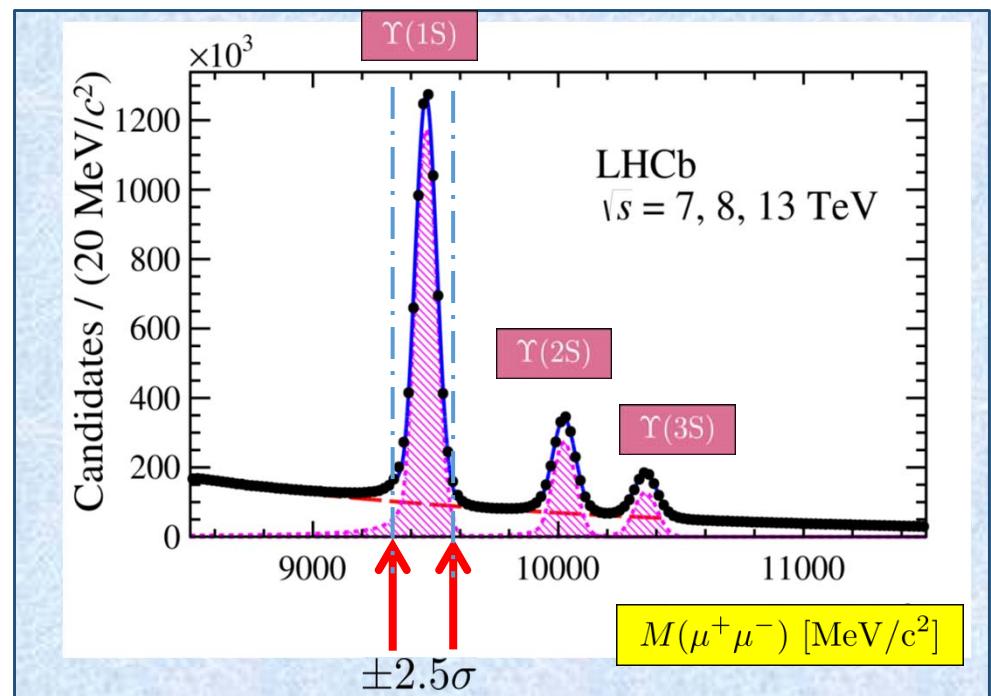
- No exotic hadron, composed of more than two heavy quarks has been observed so far
- Several theoretical predictions for the existence of an exotic state  $X_{b\bar{b}b\bar{b}}$ 
  - Mass in the range [18.4, 18.8]  $\text{GeV}/c^2$ , close but below the  $\eta_b \eta_b$  threshold ( $18.798 \pm 0.005$ )  $\text{GeV}/c^2$
  - → The expected, experimentally favorable, decay mode:  $X_{b\bar{b}b\bar{b}} \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S)l^+l^-$ , ( $l = e, \mu$ )
  - Lattice QCD calculations: no indication for the X state in the hadron spectrum

➤ LHCb(2018):

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- $6.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data recorded between 2011 and 2017
- the search for the X state decaying to  $\Upsilon(1S)(\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)\mu^+\mu^-$
- the normalization decay channel:  $\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

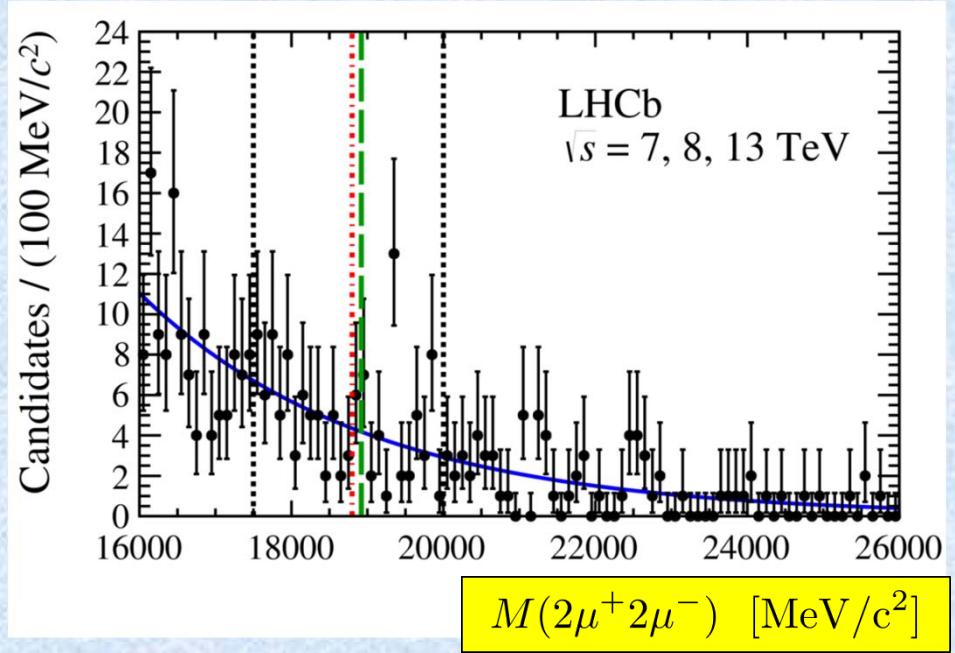
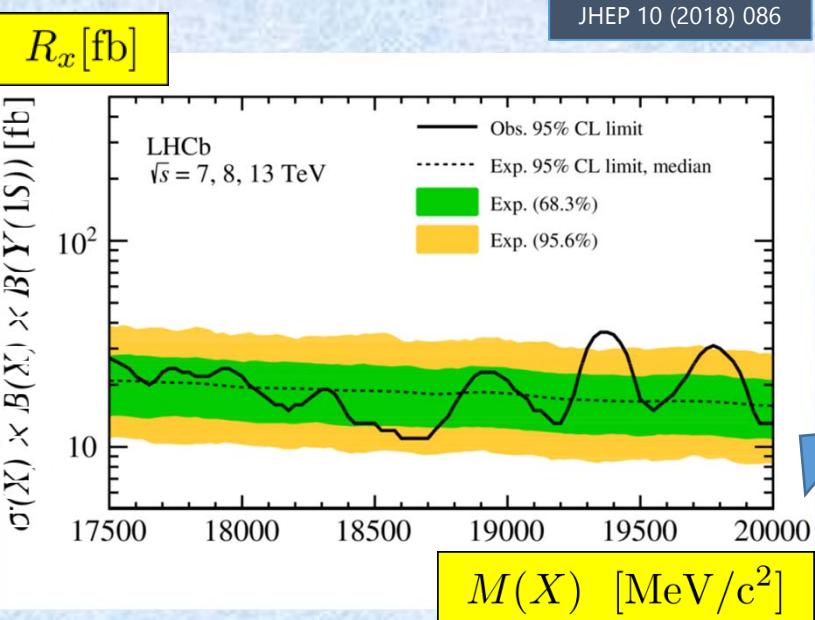
$$N(\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) = (6.37 \pm 0.12) \times 10^6$$



# Search for Beautiful Tetraquarks



- The search for an excess in the  $M(2\mu^+2\mu^-)$  in the mass range [17.5, 20]  $\text{GeV}/c^2$
- Cut based selection
- J/ $\psi$  mass veto applied:  
 $M(\mu^+\mu^-) \notin [3050, 3150] \text{ MeV}/c^2$



➤ No significant excess is observed in data in the mass range [17.5, 20]  $\text{GeV}/c^2$

➤ An upper limit is set for

$$R_X = \sigma(pp \rightarrow X) \times \mathcal{B}(X \rightarrow \Upsilon(1S)\mu^+\mu^-) \times \mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$$



➤ LHCb (2018): search for the dibaryon states in  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ p \bar{p} \pi^- (\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+)$

PL B784 (2018) 101

Run1 3 fb<sup>-1</sup>

➤ Motivated by the paper by L.Maiani, A.D.Polosa and V.Riquer

PL B750 (2015) 37

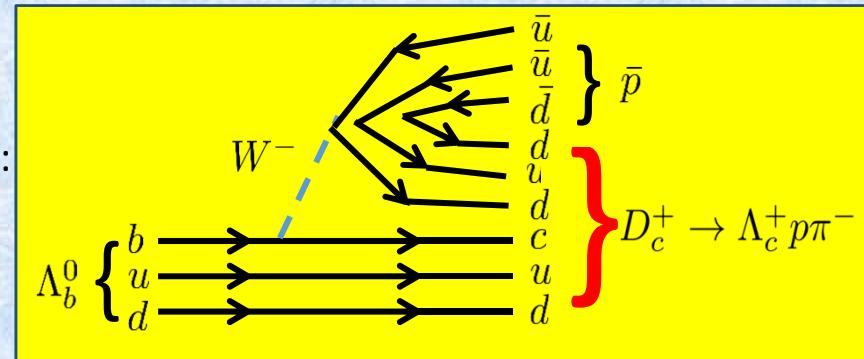
➤ The lightest charmed dibaryon  $D_c^+$  (quark content [cd][ud][ud]) with the mass below 4682 MeV/c<sup>2</sup> is expected to participate in the decay  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow D_c^+ \bar{p}$ :

➤ Two options for the subsequent decays of the  $D_c^+$ :

$$D_c^+ \rightarrow p \Sigma_c^0, \quad \Sigma_c^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-$$

$$D_c^+ \rightarrow p P_c^0, \quad P_c^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-$$

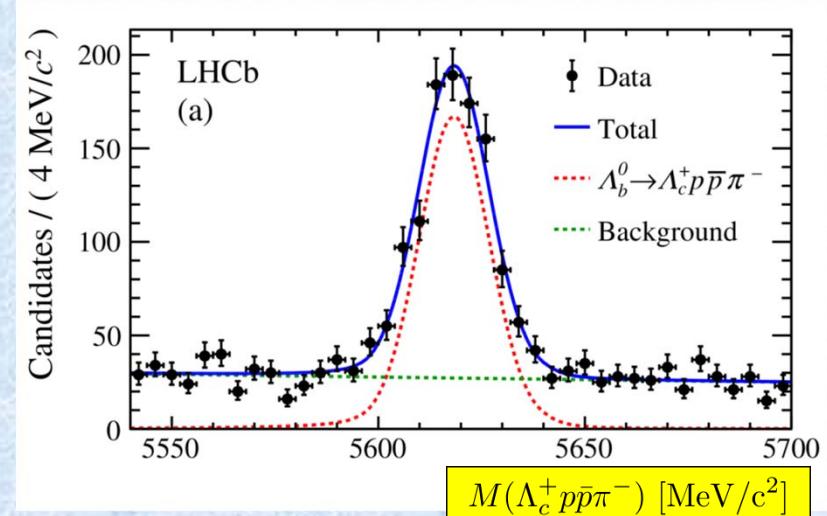
$P_c$  – lighter, yet undiscovered pentaquark [cdduū]



➤ The first observation of the decay  $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ p \bar{p} \pi^-$

$$N(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ p \bar{p} \pi^-) = 926 \pm 43$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ p \bar{p} \pi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-)} = 0.0540 \pm 0.0023 \pm 0.0032$$



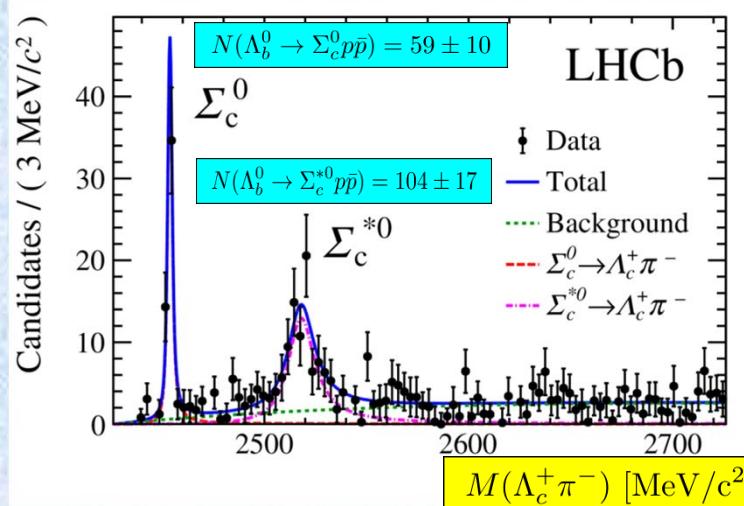


➤ Studies of the resonance structures in the  $\Lambda_c^+ \pi^-$  mass spectrum

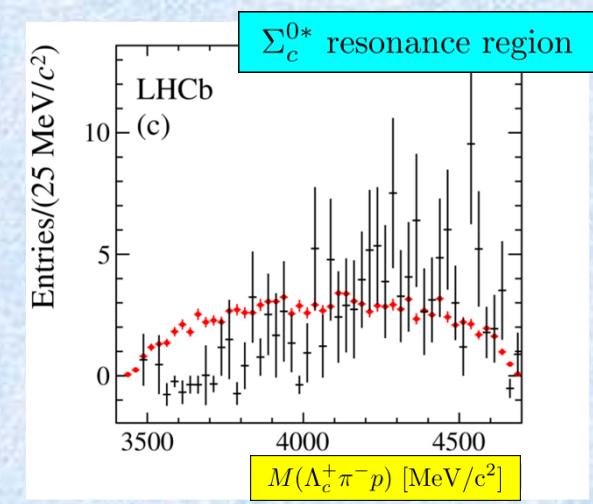
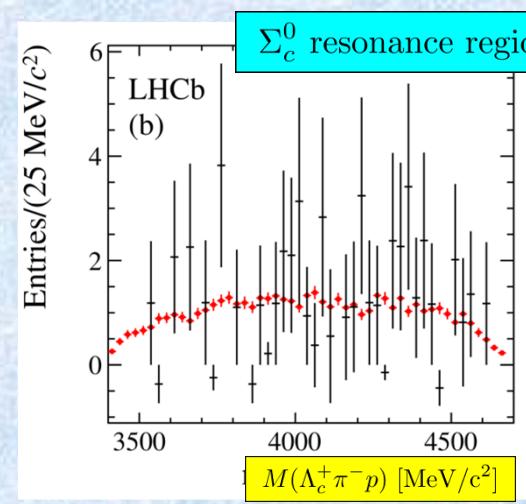
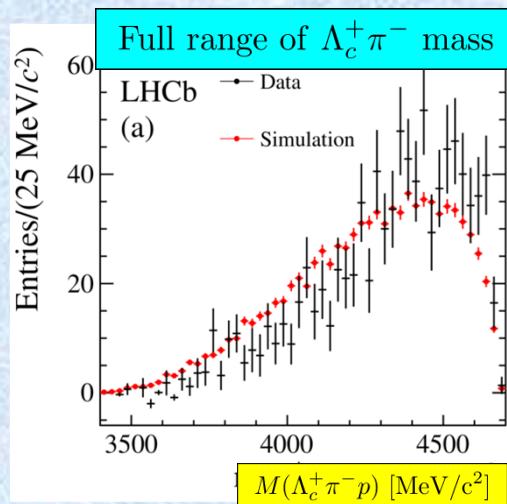
$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Sigma_c^0 (\rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-) p \bar{p})}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ p \bar{p} \pi^-)} = 0.089 \pm 0.015 \pm 0.006$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Sigma_c^{*0} (\rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-) p \bar{p})}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ p \bar{p} \pi^-)} = 0.119 \pm 0.020 \pm 0.014$$

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➤ Background subtracted (with sPlot technique) spectra of the ( $\Lambda_c^+ \pi^- p$ ) system



➤ No evidence of peaking structures found

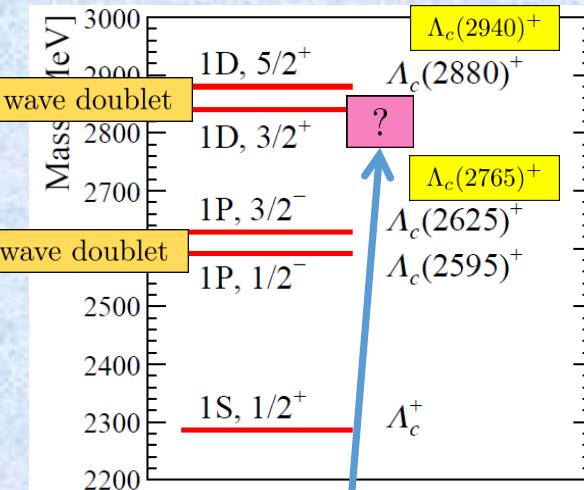
➤ NR heavy quark – light diquark model expectations:

- Missing:  $J^P = 3/2^+$  state (2nd member of the D-wave doublet)
- Two experimentally observed states lacking a clear assignment:  $\Lambda_c(2765)^+$  and  $\Lambda_c(2940)^+$  (CLEO & BaBar)

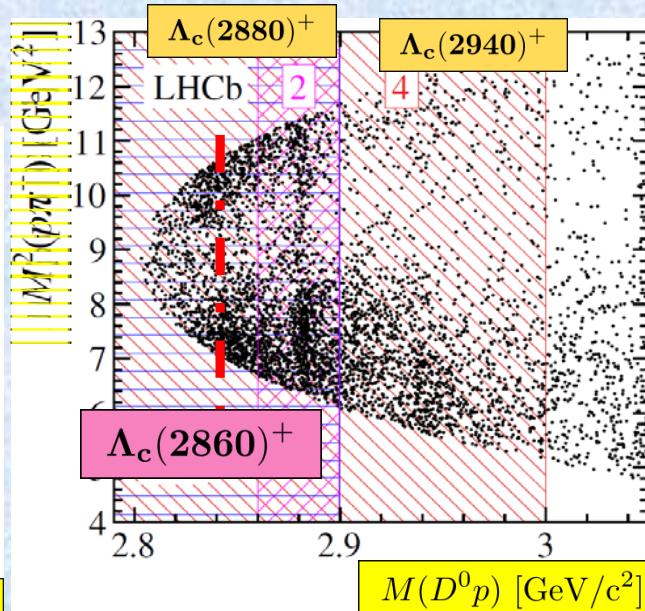
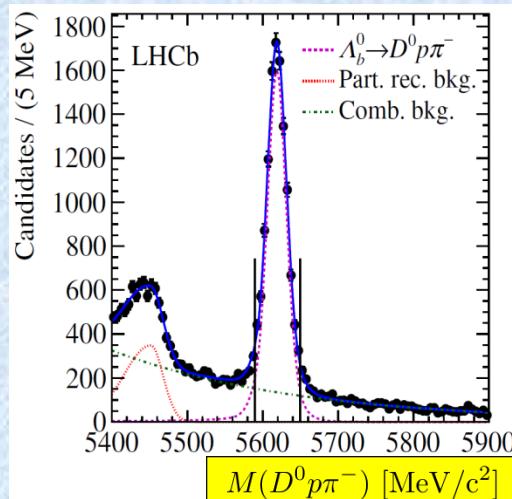
➤ LHCb (2017)

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The first study of excited  $\Lambda_c^+$  states in exclusive  $\Lambda_b$  decays  
 $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow D^0 p\pi^-$ ,  $D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$  (5D amplitude analysis)



$11212 \pm 126$  signal events  
 (16% of background)



Near threshold enhancement in the  $D^0 p$  mass → a new resonance  $\Lambda_c(2860)^+$  and with  $J^P=3/2^+$

The first, most likely assignment for the  $\Lambda_c(2940)^+$ :  $J^P = 3/2^- \rightarrow$  consistent with the interpretation of  $\Lambda_c(2940)^+$  as a D\*N molecule

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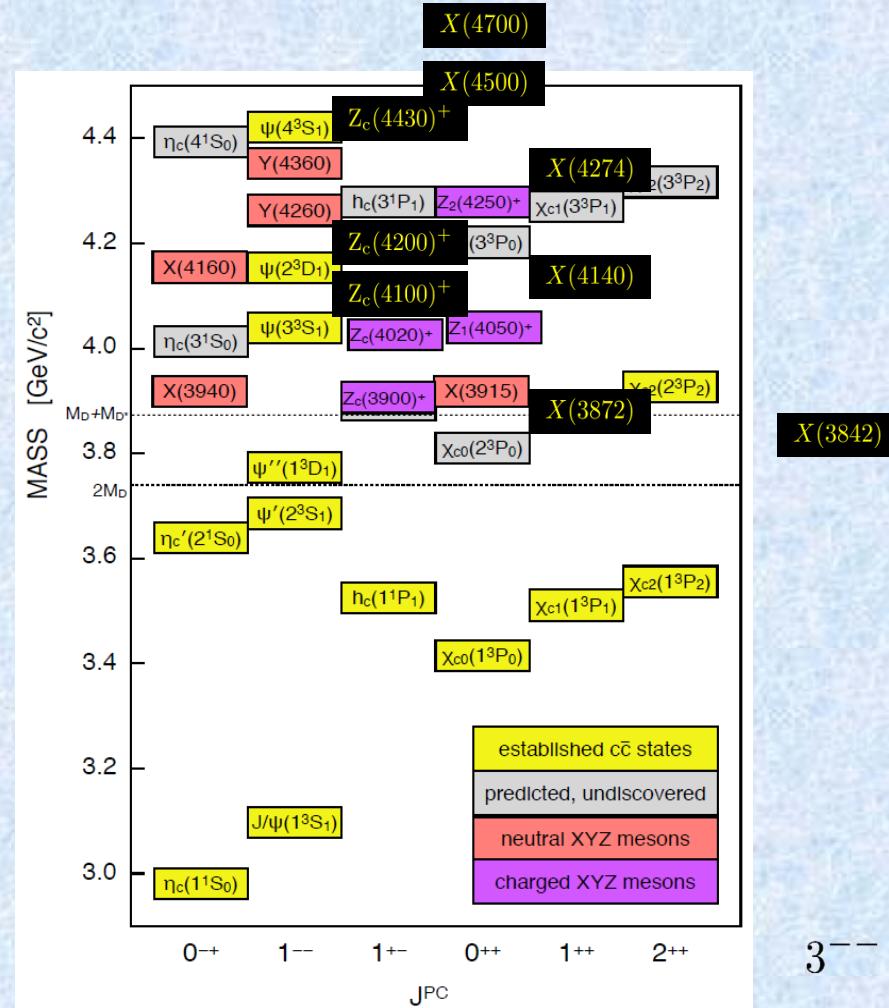
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or as a radial 2P excitation

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# Conclusions

- **The renaissance of heavy flavour spectroscopy in recent 15 years:**
  - Observation of numerous new states: many of them exotic-like
  - A vivid field of research with strong liaisons between theory and experiment
- **LHCb has been one of crucial players in heavy flavour spectroscopy of exotic states – the discussed states shown in black fields**
- **More precise spectroscopic measurements from the LHCb experiment and, hopefully, some discoveries should follow with the analysis of Run 2 data**
- **LHC and LHCb upgrade: 50 fb<sup>-1</sup> of integrated luminosity expected by 2030....**



and  
 X(5568)       $\Lambda_c^+(2860)$