

# Spectroscopy at LHCb

## Conventional states



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LHC era: New golden years for spectroscopy. Concentrate on a selection of recent results

- Beautiful Baryons
- Double Charm baryons
- Hidden Charm

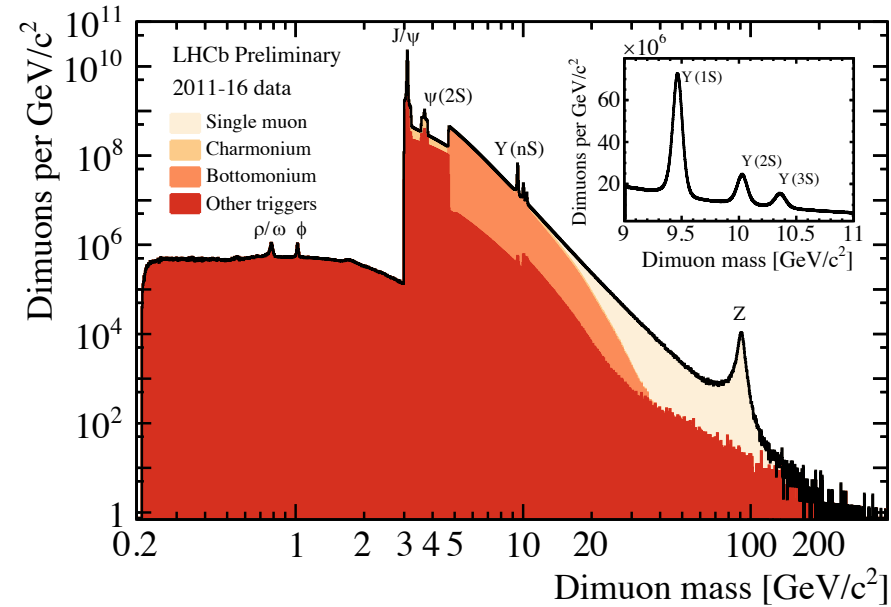
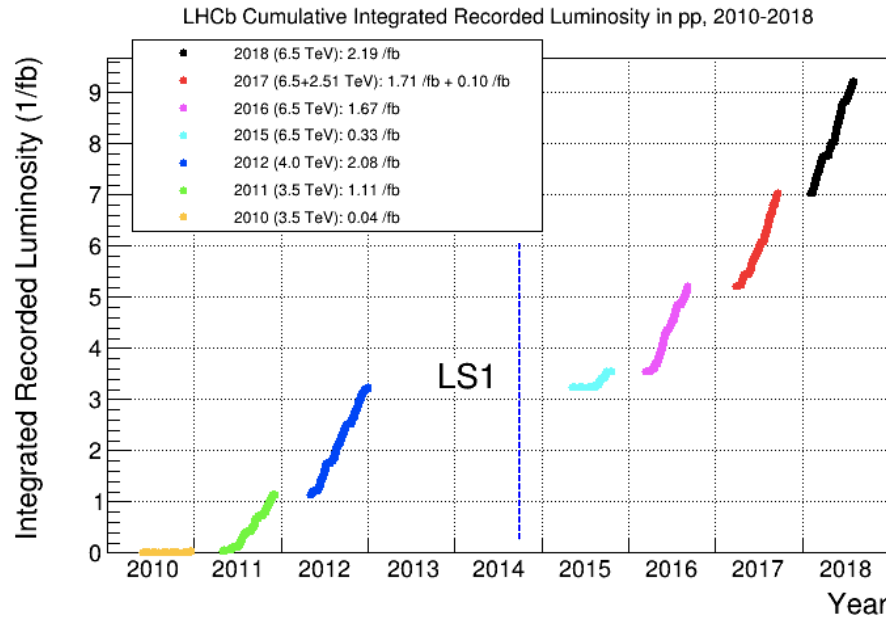


This talk focused on conventional states. See also LHCb talks:

Michel de Cian *Lifetime measurements* (Thursday afternoon)

Liming Zhang *Spectroscopy at LHCb: Exotic States* (Tuesday afternoon)

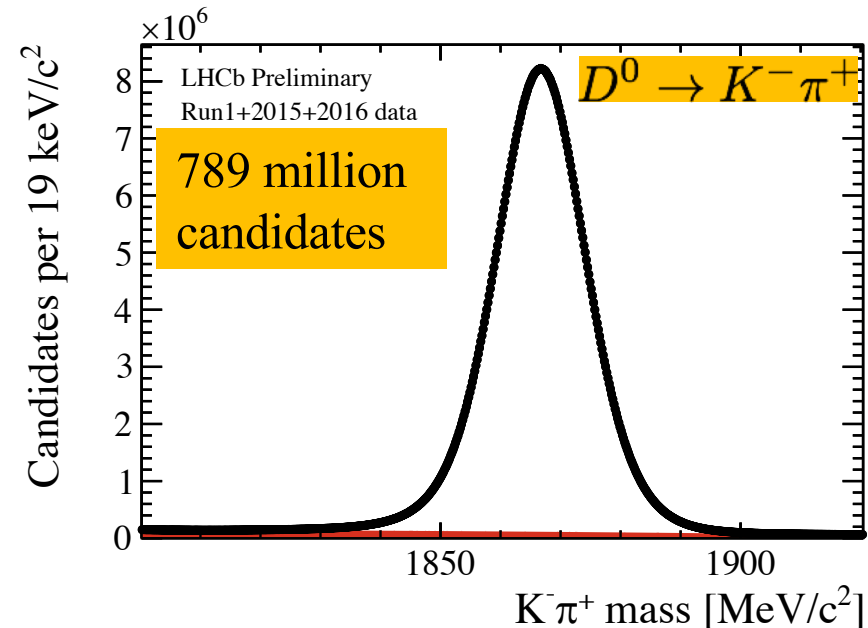
Marcello Rotondo *Heavy Flavour Production at LHCb* (Tuesday afternoon)



World largest heavy flavour dataset  
(9 fb<sup>-1</sup>) collected during Run1+Run2

- Precision tracking
- Excellent PID using RICH
- Trigger for fully hadronic decays

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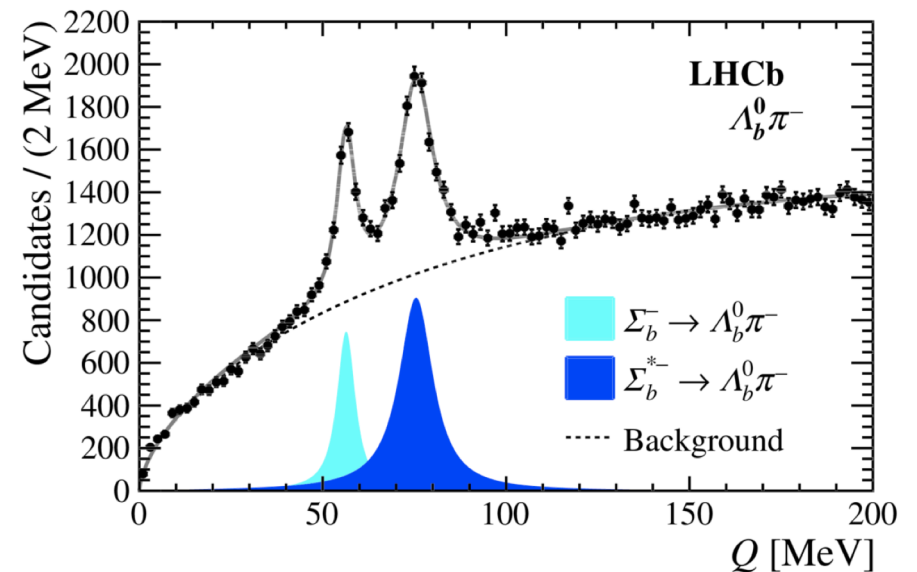
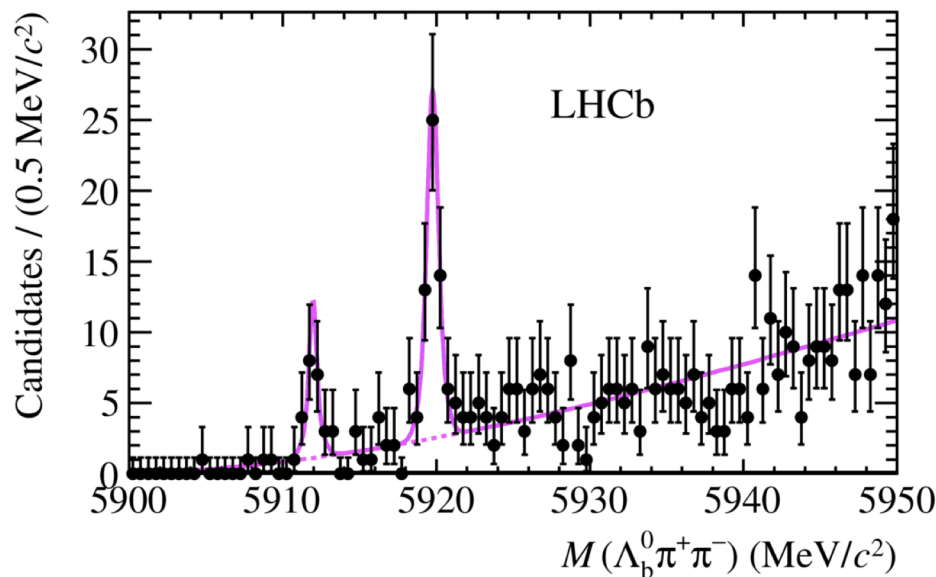
# Beautiful Baryons



Large sample of  $\Lambda_b$  baryons collected by LHCb has provided rich starting point to explore b-baryon spectroscopy

Observation of  $\Lambda_b(5912)$  and  $\Lambda_b(5920)$  via decays to  $\Lambda_b \pi^+ \pi^-$  final state (PRL 109 (2012) 172003) [ $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ]

Precise measurement of  $\Sigma_b^{(*)\pm}$  states seen by CDF and observation of a new state  $\Sigma_b(6097)^{\pm}$  (PRL 122 (2019) 012001) [ $3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ]

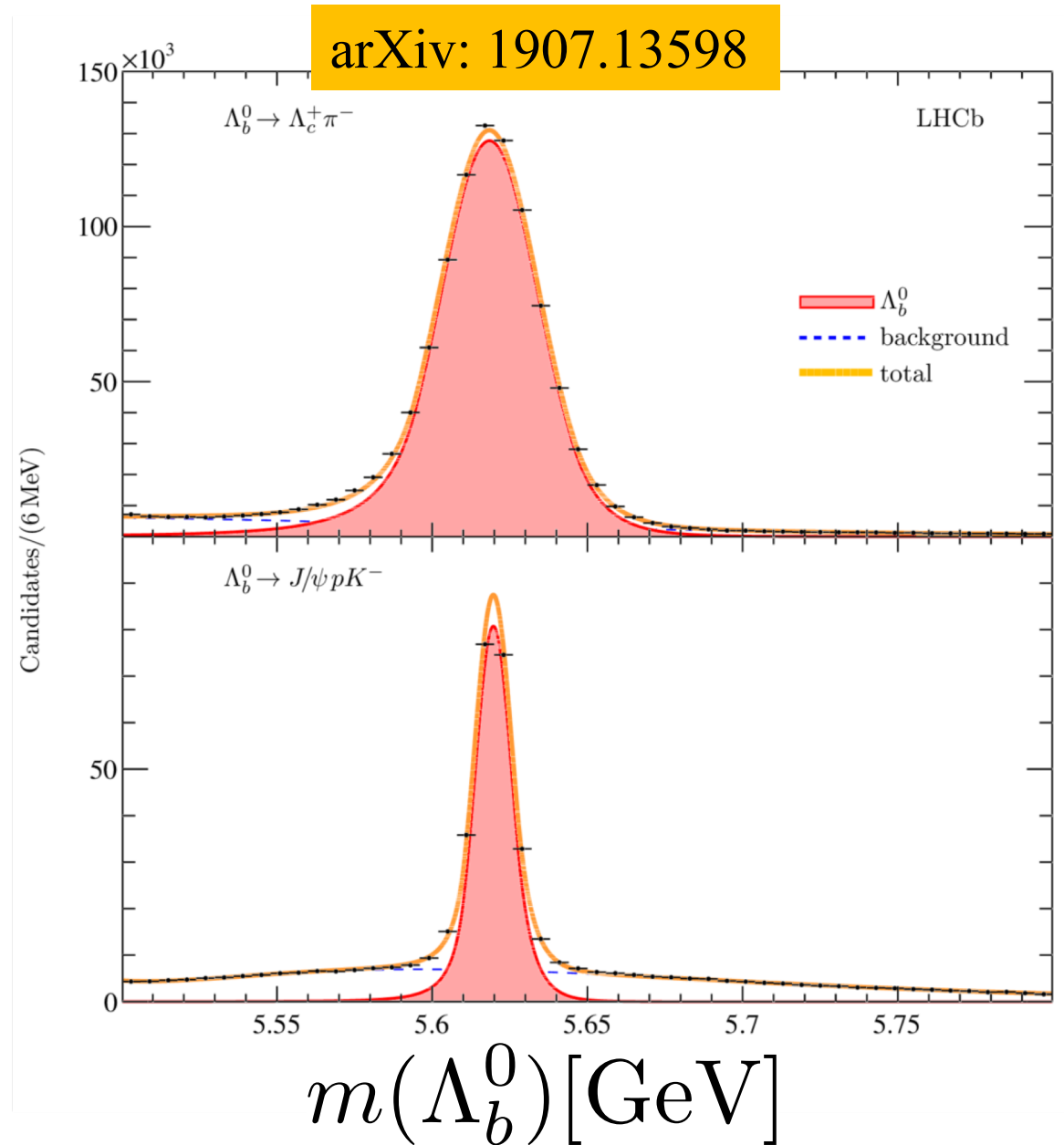


# Excited $\Lambda_b$ states

Full Run 1+2 dataset: 9 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Exploit large clean samples of  $\Lambda_b$  decays to the  $\Lambda_c \pi^-$  and  $J/\psi p K^-$  final states

| Decay mode                                  | $N$ [10 <sup>3</sup> ] |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-$ | $892.8 \pm 1.2$        |
| $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$      | $217.5 \pm 0.7$        |



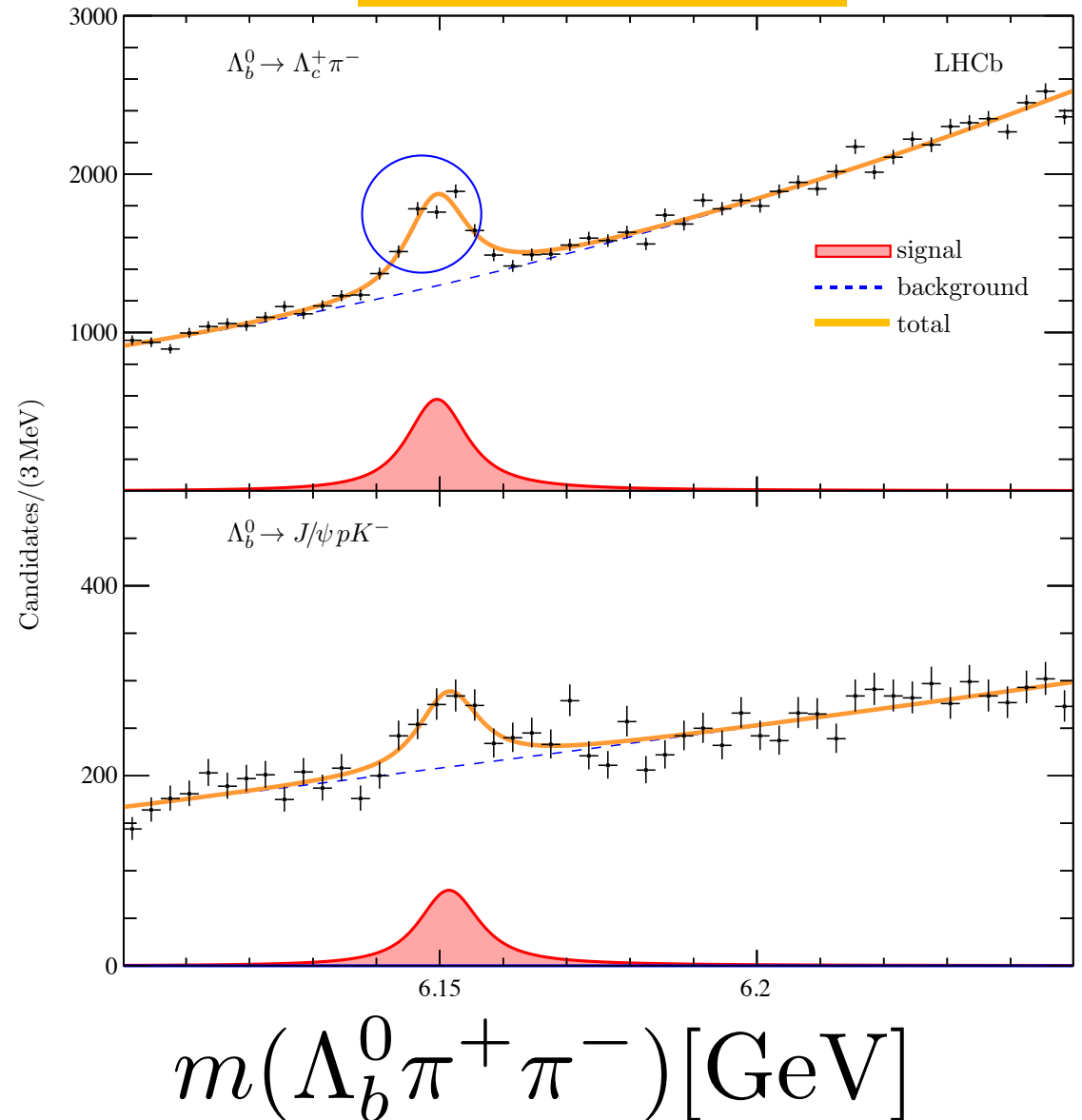
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Add two prompt pions

Suppress combinatorial background with BDT

Study  $\Lambda_b \pi^+ \pi^-$  mass spectrum

New structure seen around 6.15 GeV above  $\Sigma_b^{(*)\mp} \pi^\pm$  threshold



# Excited $\Lambda_b$ states

Split data into 3 regions of  $\Lambda_b \pi^\pm$  invariant mass:

- $\Sigma_b$
- $\Sigma_b^*$
- Non-resonant

Simultaneous fit to data in 3 regions

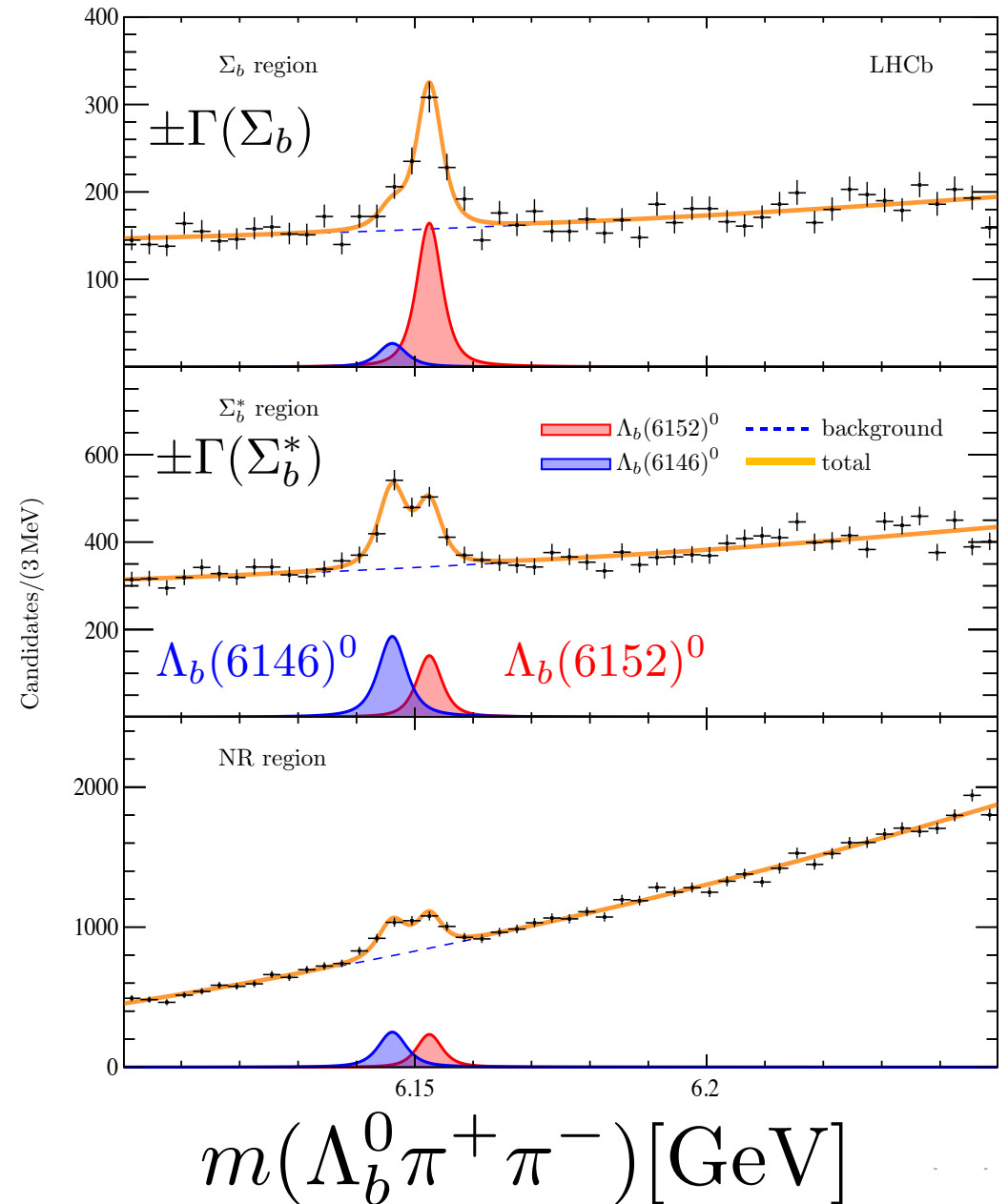
Data favours hypothesis of 2 narrow near degenerate states at  $7\sigma$  significance

$$m_{\Lambda_b(6146)^0} = 6146.17 \pm 0.33 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_{\Lambda_b(6152)^0} = 6152.51 \pm 0.26 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_{\Lambda_b(6146)^0} = 2.9 \pm 1.3 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_{\Lambda_b(6152)^0} = 2.1 \pm 0.8 \text{ MeV}$$



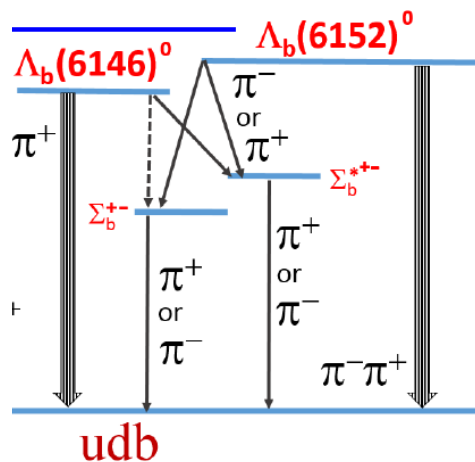
# Excited $\Lambda_b$ states

Fit  $\Lambda_b \pi^+ \pi^-$  then sPlot  $\Lambda_b \pi^\pm$  mass

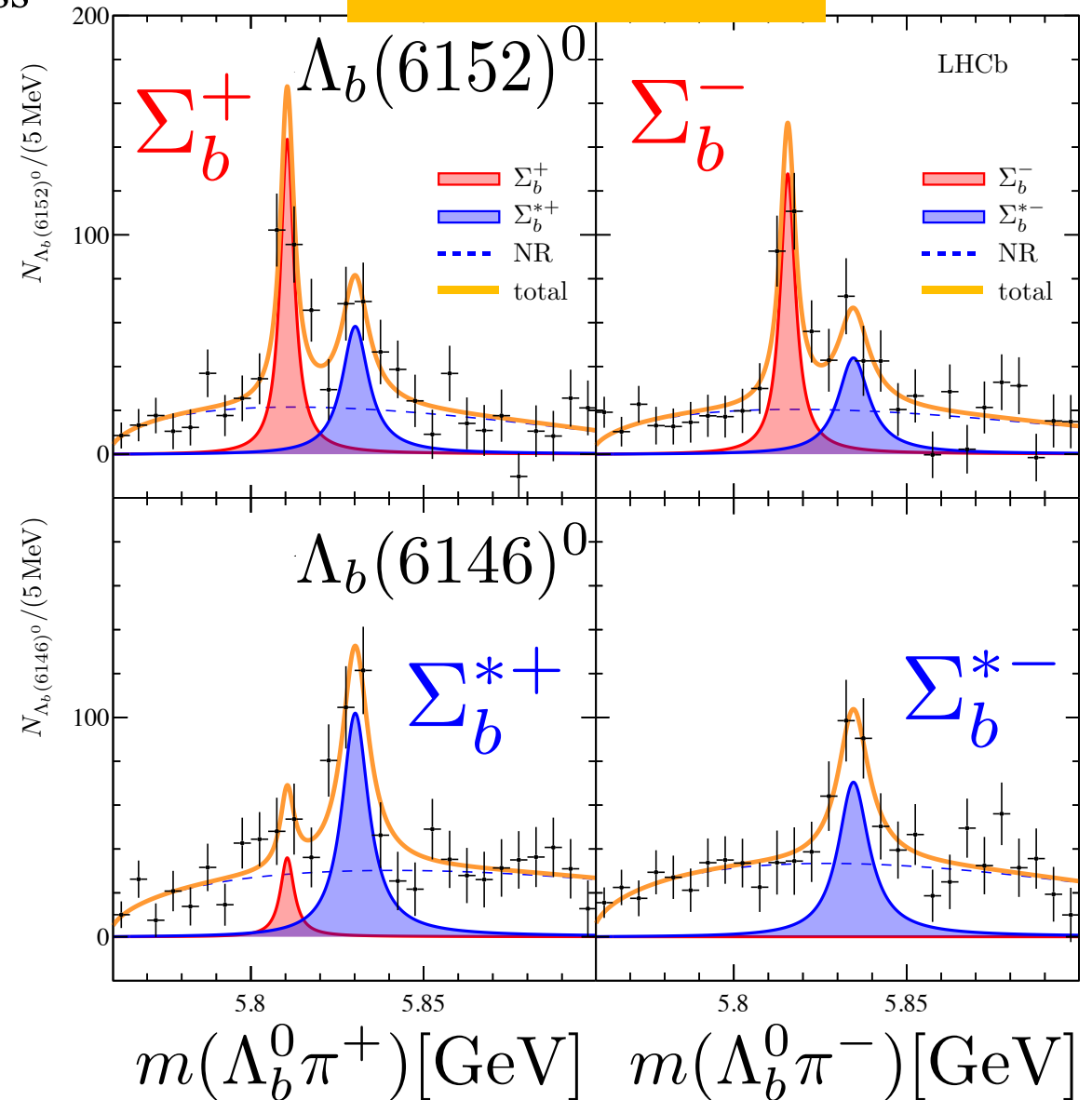
$\Lambda_b(6512)^0$  couples to both  $\Sigma_b^+$  and  $\Sigma_b^{*+}$

$\Lambda_b(6546)^0$  couples primarily to  $\Sigma_b^*$

Observed masses, width + decay patterns consistent  $\Lambda_b(1D)^0$  doublet with  $J^P = 3/2^+$  and  $5/2^+$



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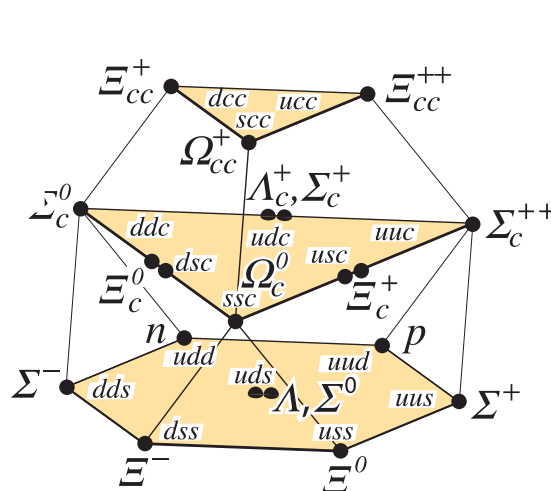
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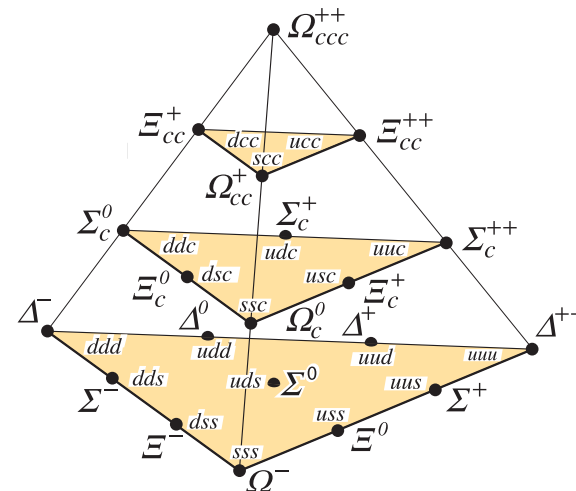
Two SU(4) 20-plets containing SU(3) triplets

$$\Xi_{cc}^+ = ccd, \quad \Xi_{cc}^{++} = ccu, \quad \Omega_{cc}^+ = ccs$$

$$J^P = \frac{1}{2}^+$$



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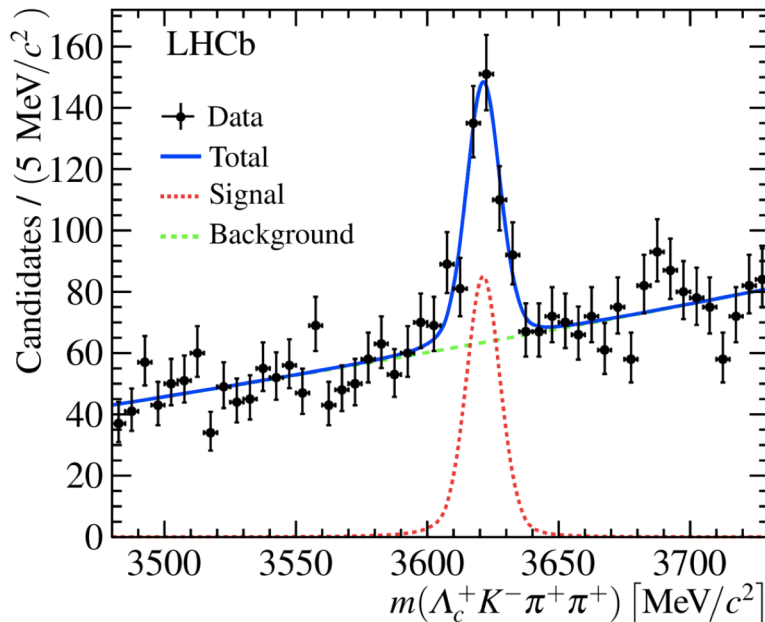
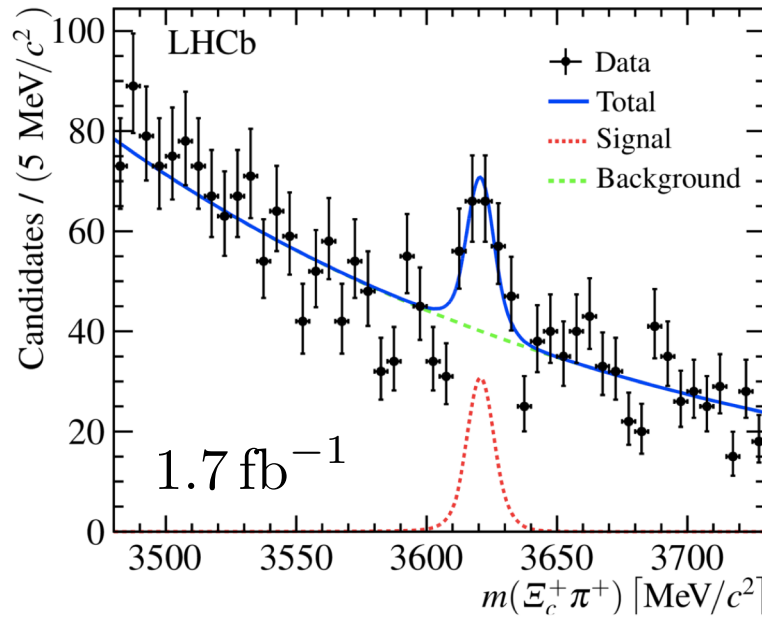
$\Xi_{cc}^{++}$  first observed decaying to  $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$  by LHCb in 2017

$$m(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = (3621.40 \pm 0.72 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.14) \text{ MeV}/c^2 \quad \text{PRL 119 (2017) 112001}$$

$$\tau(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = (0.256_{-0.022}^{+0.024} \pm 0.014) \text{ ps} \quad \text{PRL 121 (2018) 052002}$$

See talk of Michel de Cian

# Observation of $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+$



State confirmed in  $\Xi_c^+ \pi^+$  mode

$$\mathcal{R} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+; \Xi_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+; \Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+)}$$

$$\mathcal{R} = (3.5 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-2}$$

Using recent Belle measurement:

$$\mathcal{B}(\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+) = (0.45 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.07)\%$$

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gives

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+)} \approx 0.5$$

Combining both modes

$$m(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = 3621.24 \pm 0.65 \pm 0.31 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

PRL 121 (2018) 162002

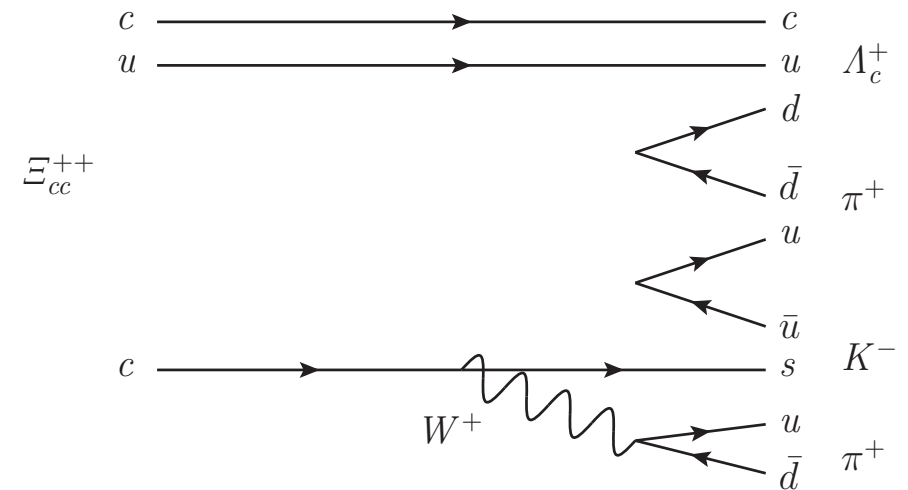
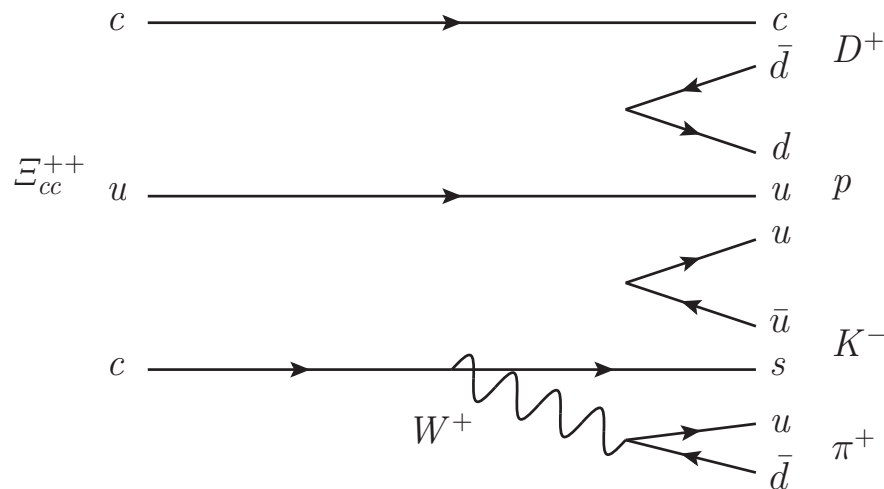
# Search for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+$

To further understand the dynamics of weak decays  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$  need to explore other modes

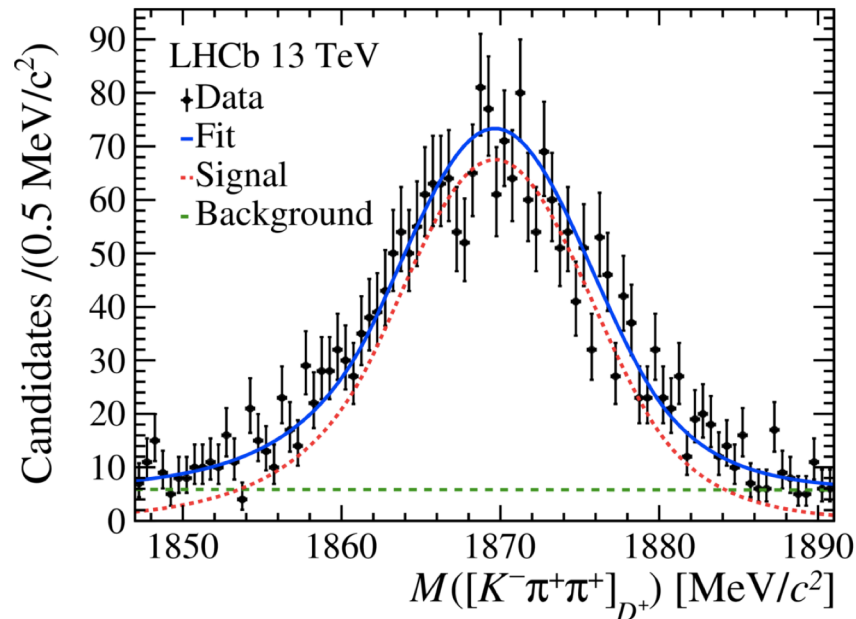
Good trigger efficiency for  $D^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+$  ☺

Lower phase space ☹

arXiv:1905.02421



# Search for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+$



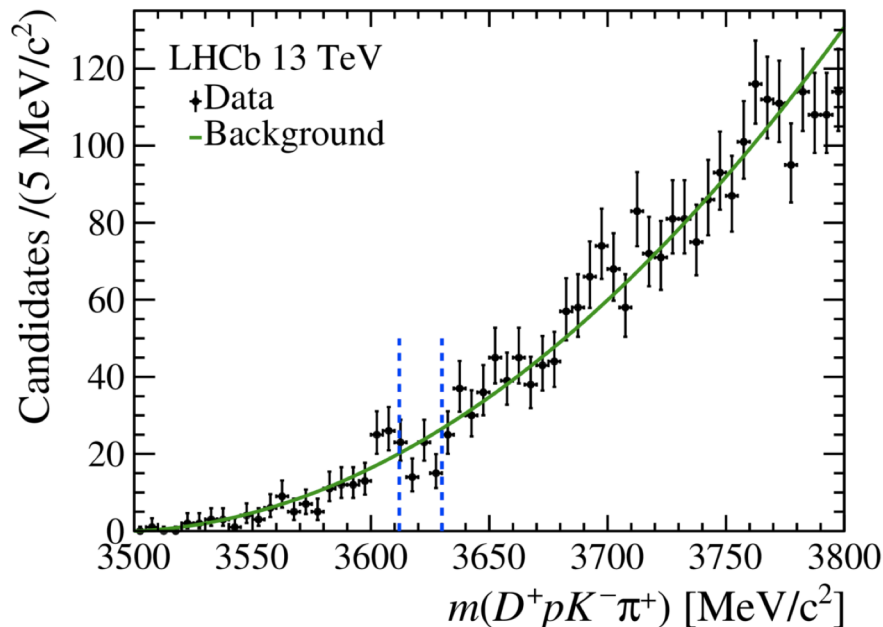
Study the  $D^+ p K^- \pi^+$  spectrum with  
1.7 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data collected in 2016

No significant signal seen

Limit set on:

$$\mathcal{R} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+)}$$

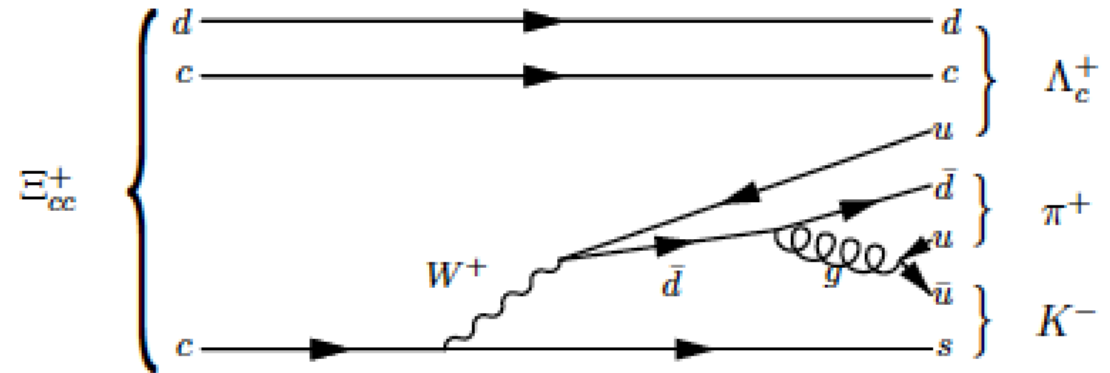
$$\mathcal{R} < 2.1 \times 10^{-2} \quad @ 95 \% \text{ CL}$$



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What about other doubly charmed baryons ? e.g  $\Xi_{cc}^+$

Predicted to have similar mass to  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$  but shorter lifetime



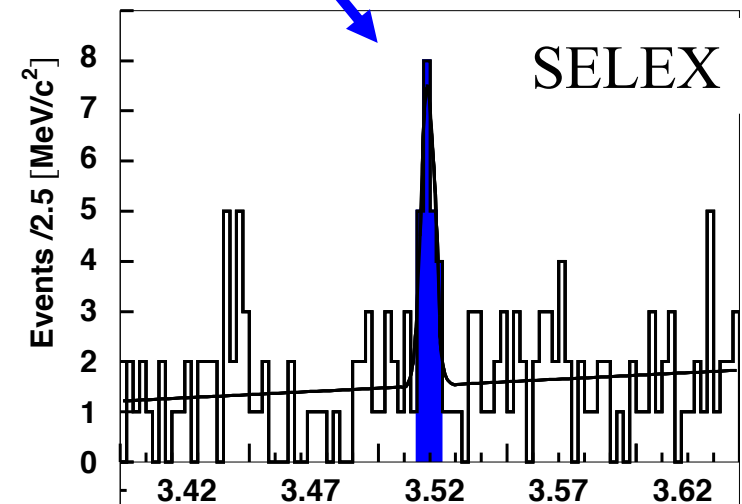
Longstanding unconfirmed observation by the SELEX experiment

PRL. 89 (2002) 112001, arXiv:hep-ex/0208014]

New

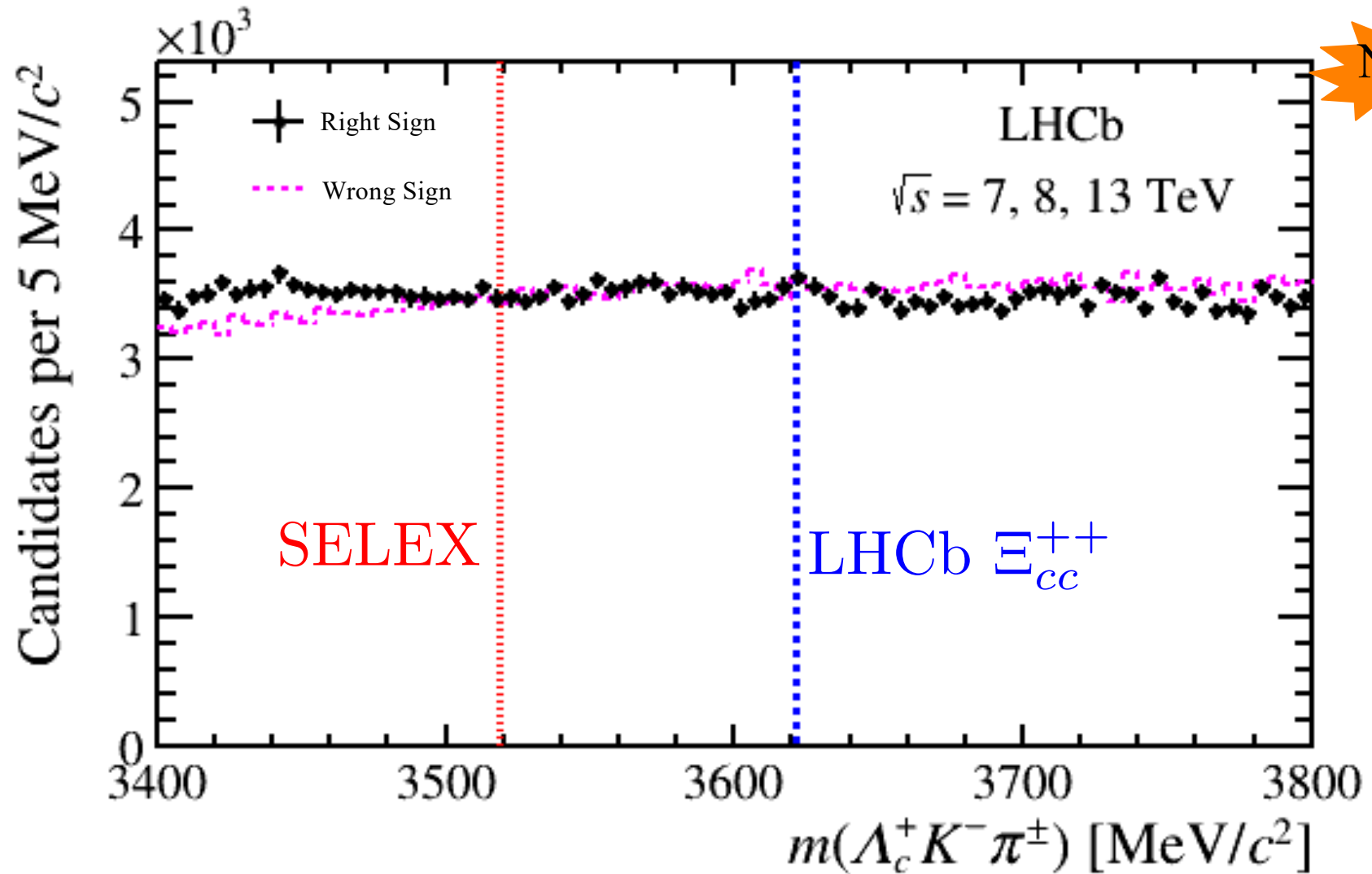
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LHCb search using  $\Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ K^-$  mode and full Run 1+2 dataset

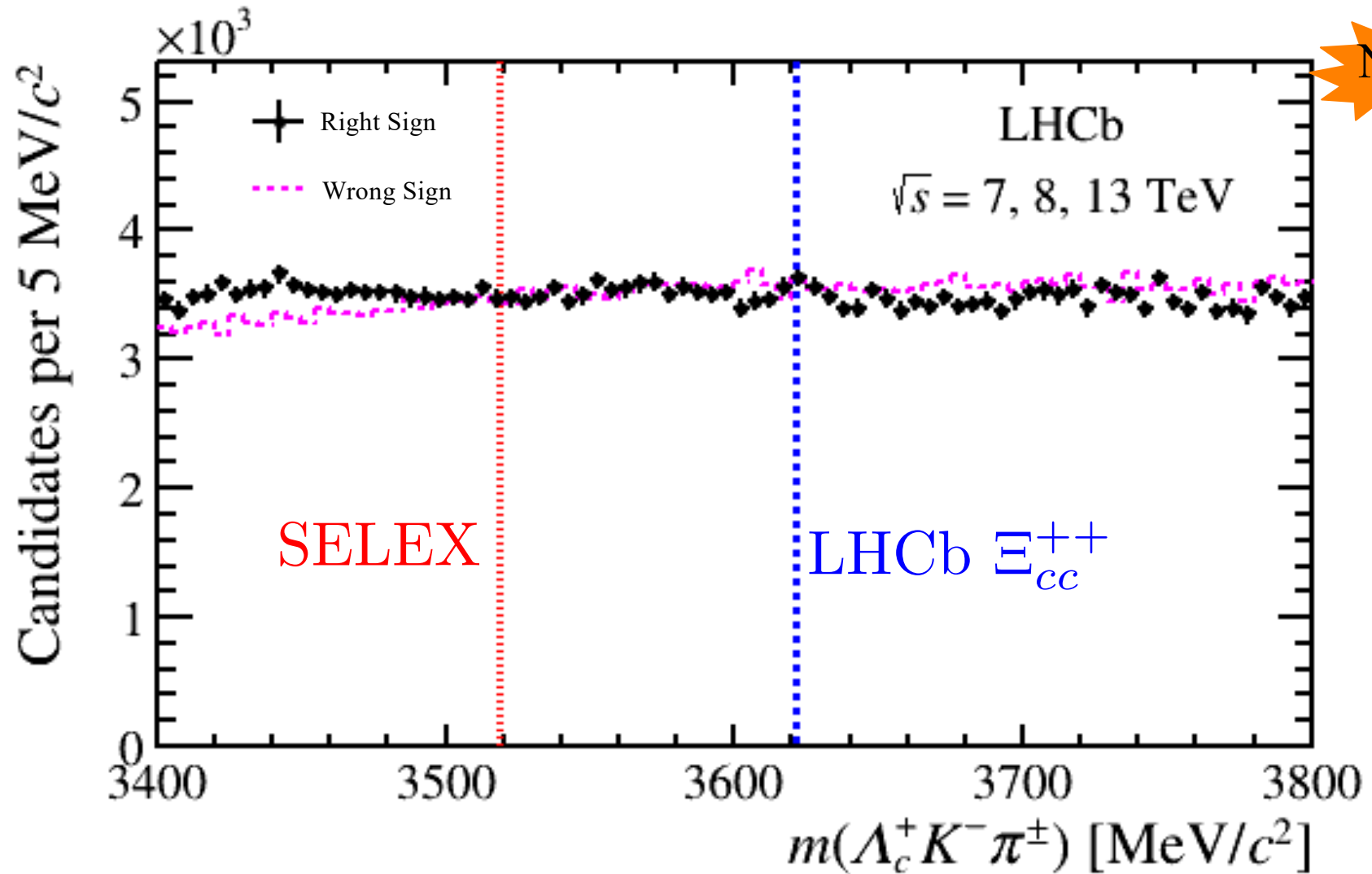




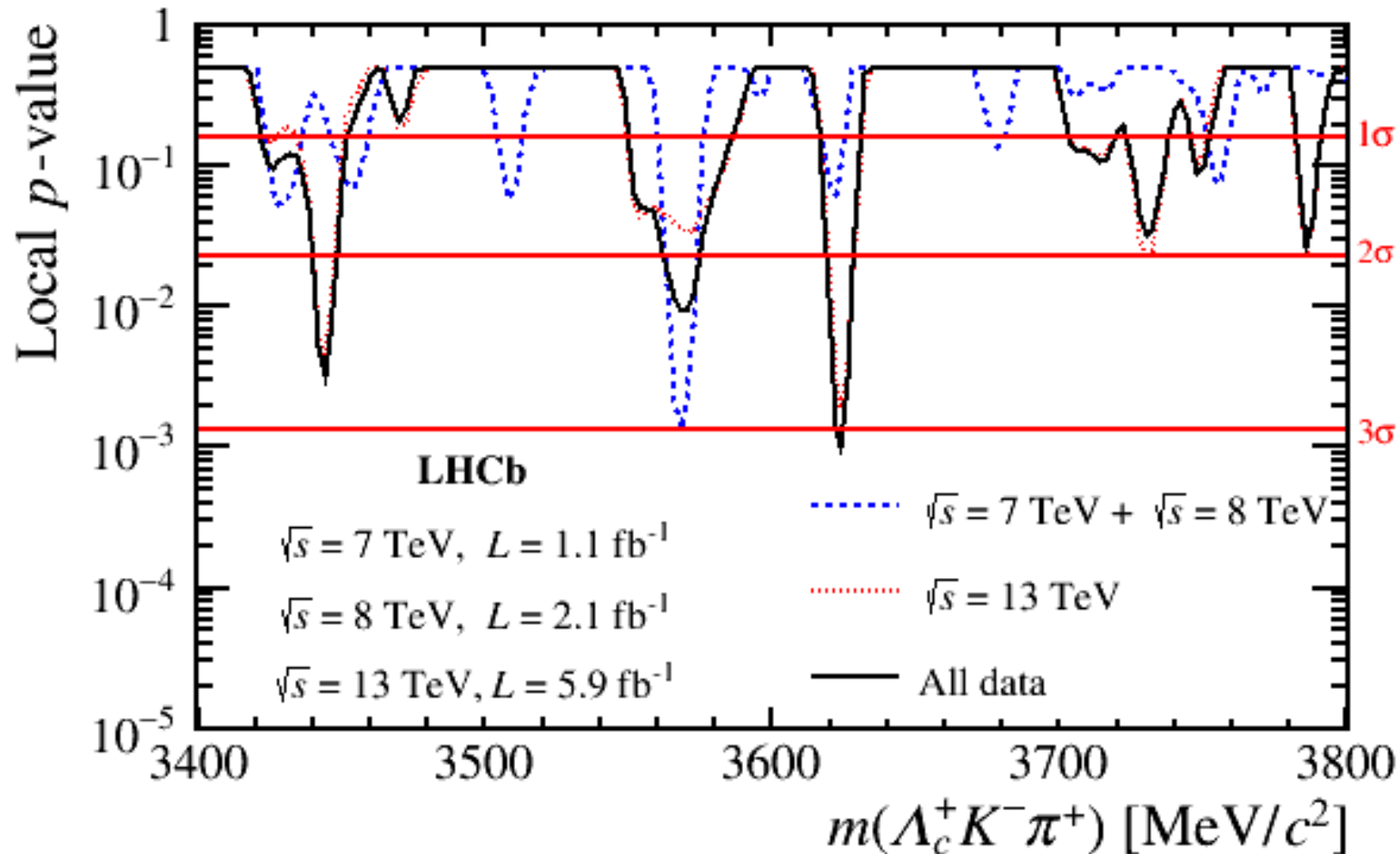
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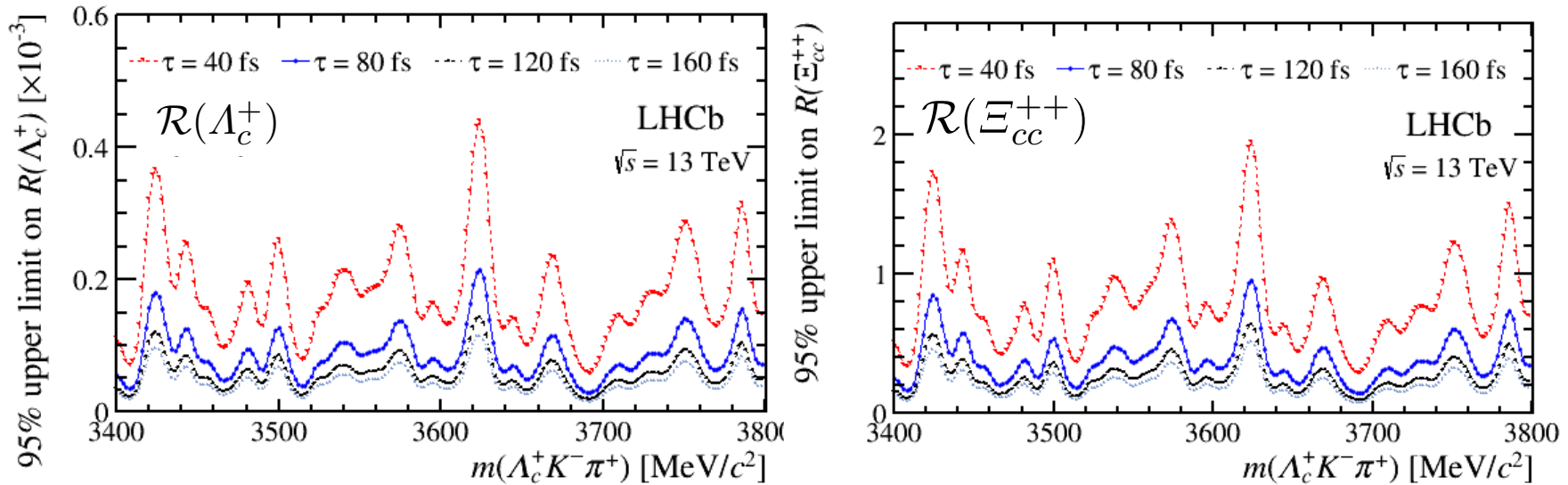


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Largest local significance  $3.1\sigma$  (statistical) around  $3620 \text{ MeV}/c^2$   
 Global significance  $1.7\sigma$  no evidence, limits set

New

Set upper limits on  $R$  as a function of mass for different lifetime hypotheses



New

$$R(\Lambda_c^+) \equiv \frac{\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^+) \times \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+)}{\sigma(\Lambda_c^+)}$$

$$R(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) \equiv \frac{\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^+) \times \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+)}{\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) \times \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+)}$$

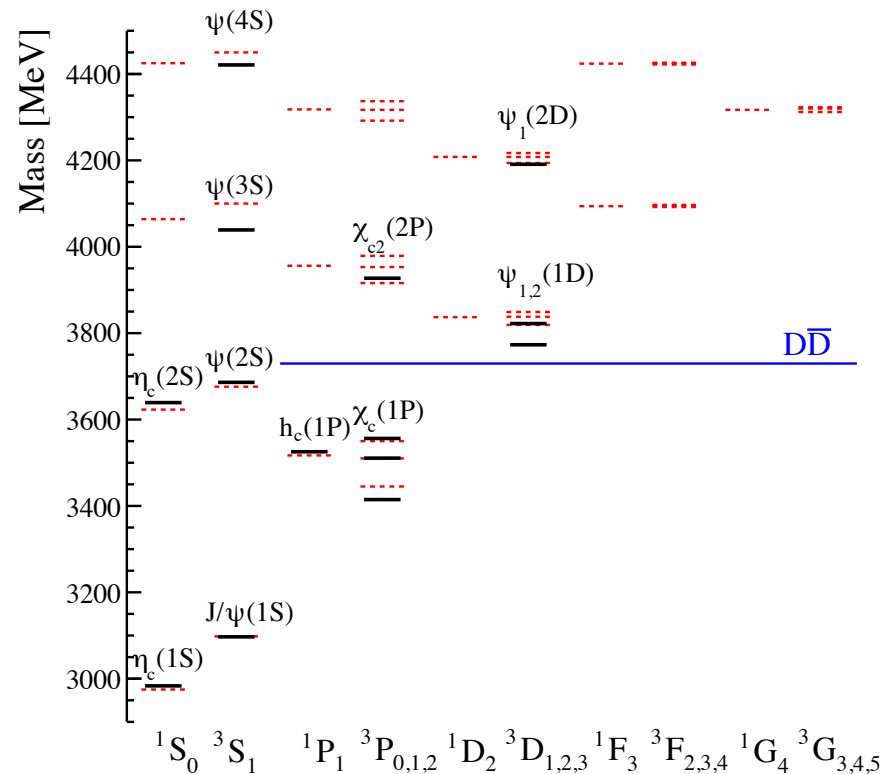
- Improve LHCb limits by order of magnitude compared to Run 1 analysis,
- Limits significantly below expectations from SELEX (caveat different environment)

# Missing Hidden Charm

Since November revolution of 1974 hidden charm spectrum well mapped out over the last 45 years

Up to this year candidate for all but two of lowest states seen

Missing states  $^3D_3$  and  $^1D_2$

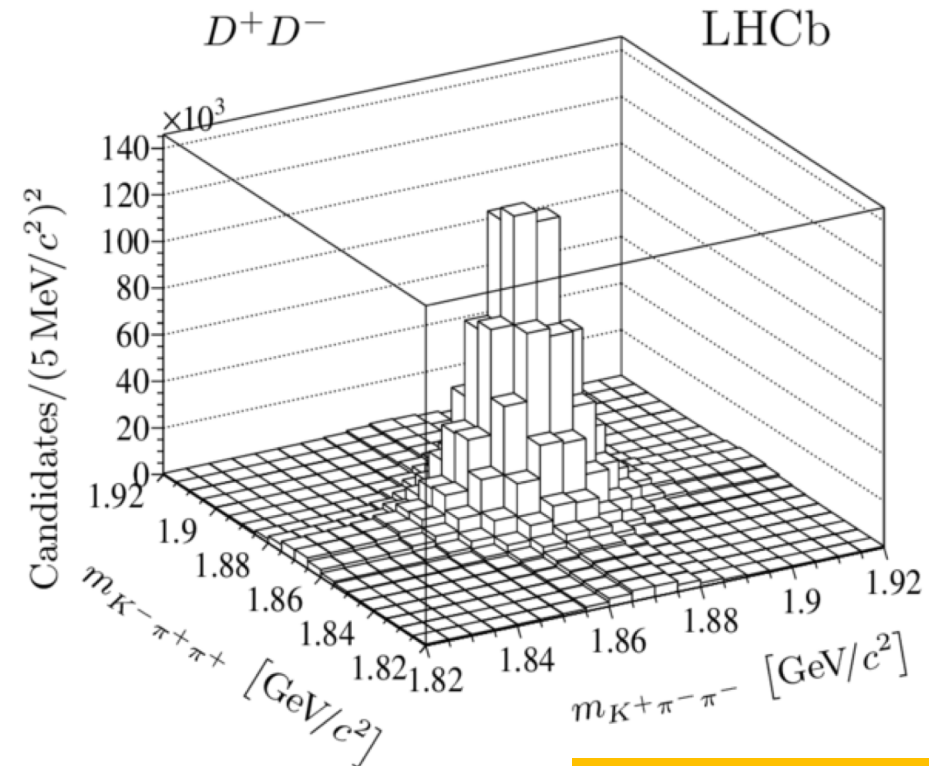
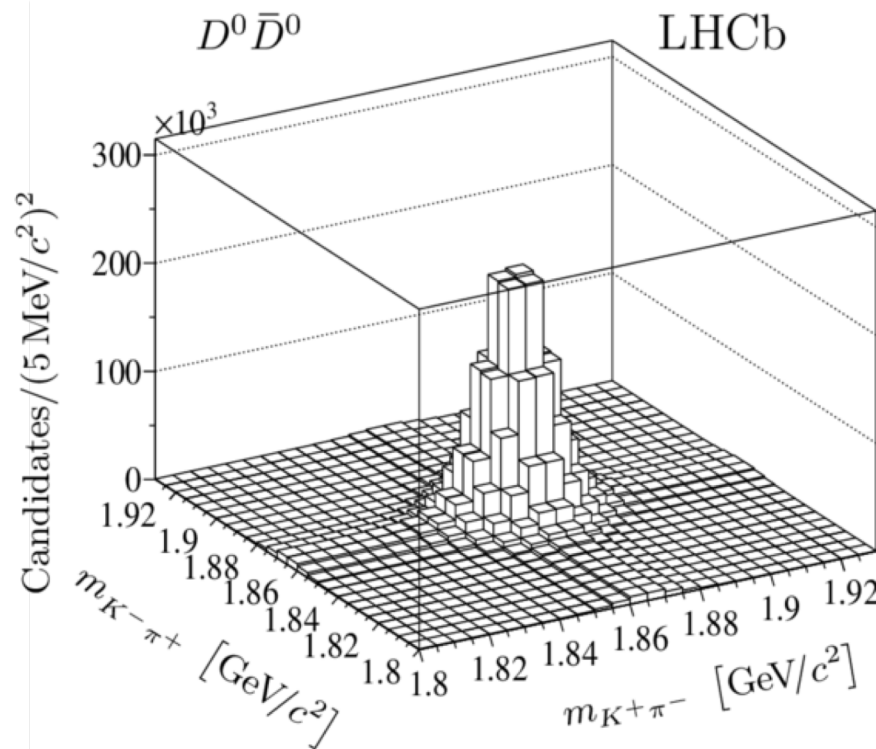


$^3D_3$  decays to open charm but expected to be narrow due to F-wave centrifugal barrier factor

- (-) C, cannot be produced in gluon fusion or  $\gamma\gamma$  See PRD 72 (2005) 054026

Exploit large samples of open charm collected in full Run 1+2 datasets

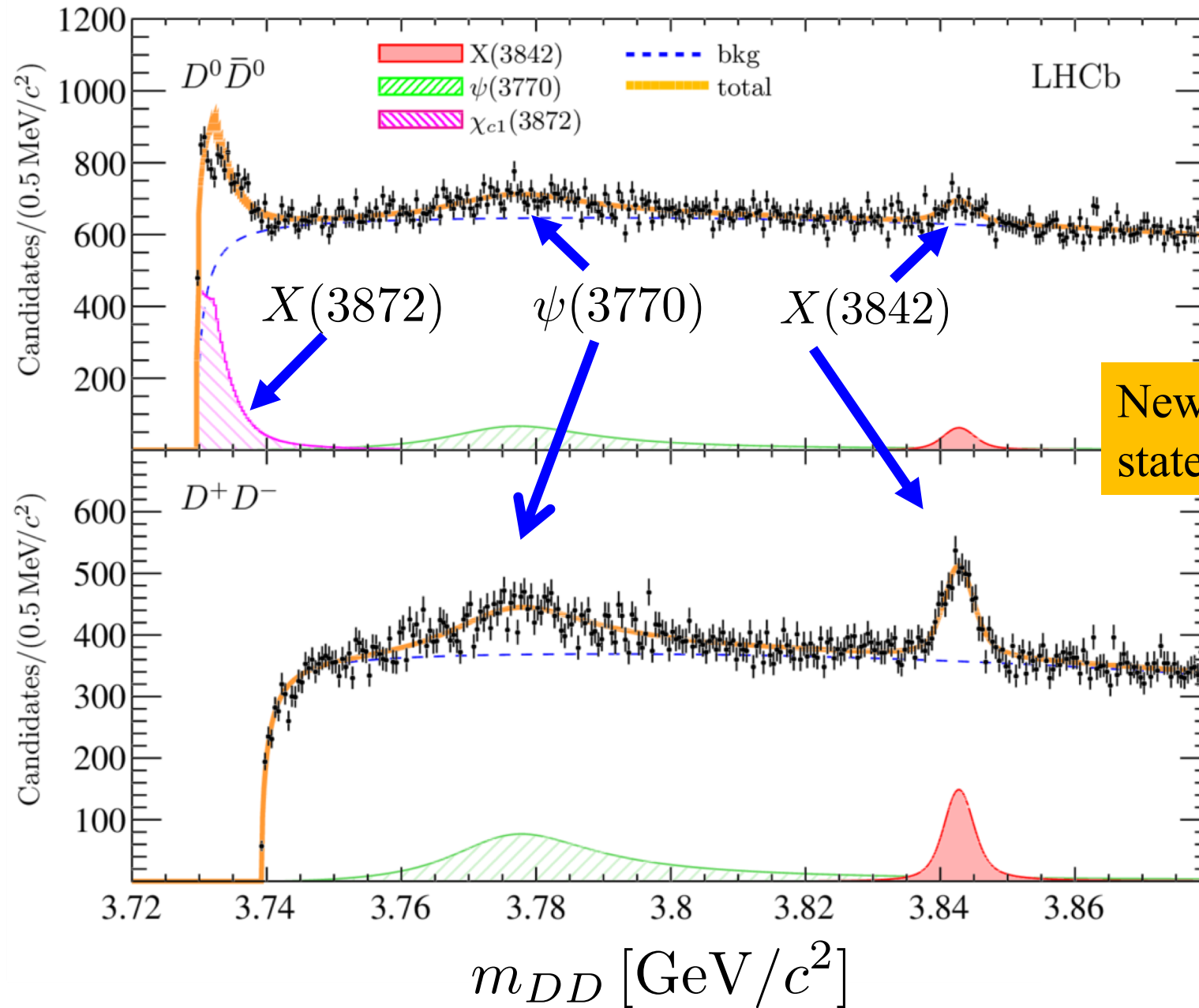
Select events with 2 reconstructed charm mesons from same PV

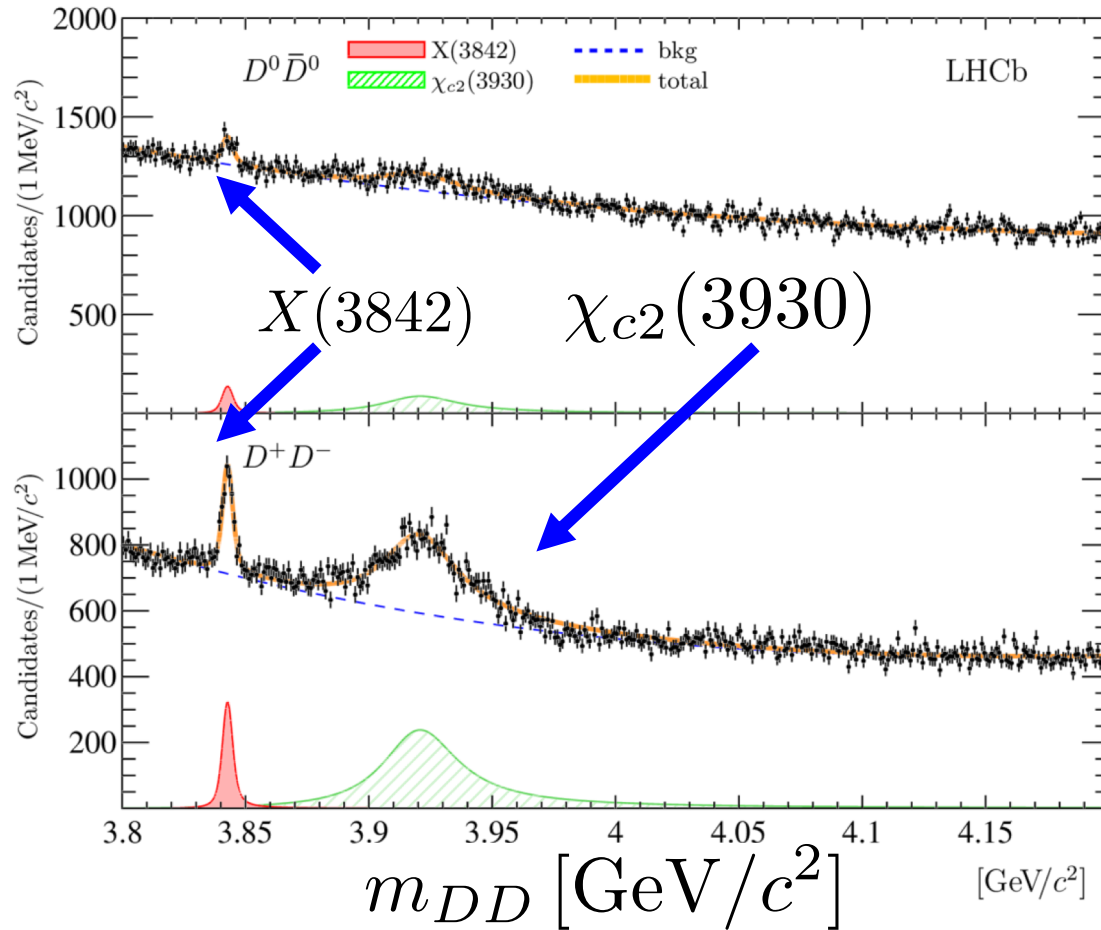




# X(3842)

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New narrow state

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

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

Properties consistent with  
 $^3D_3$  state of charmonium system

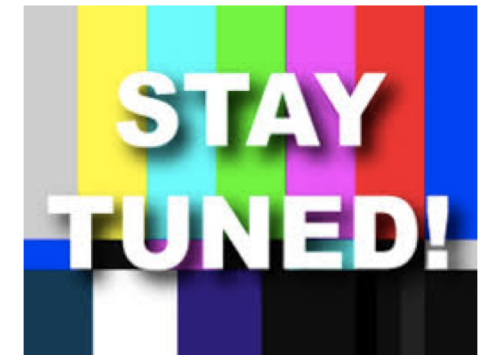
Also measure:

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

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

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

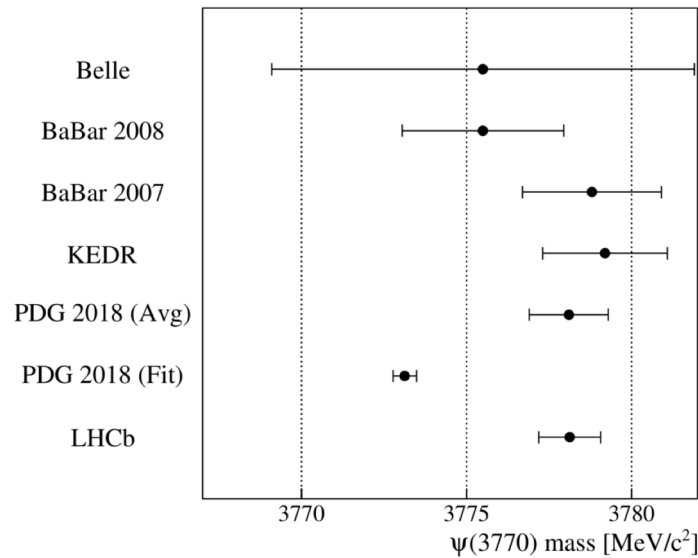
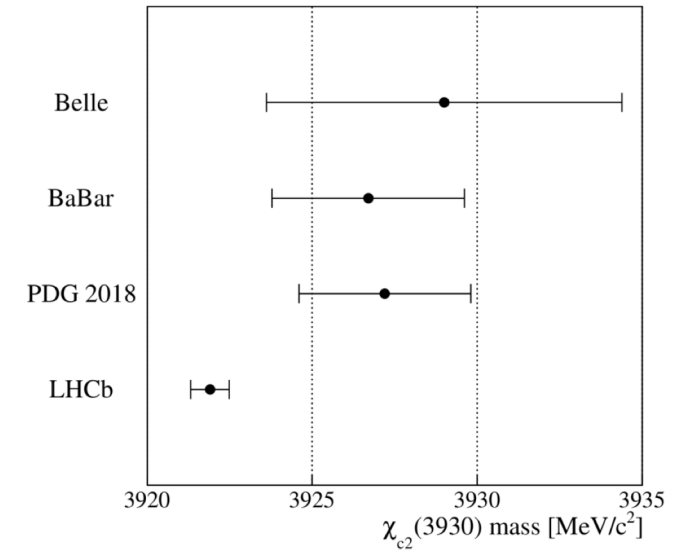
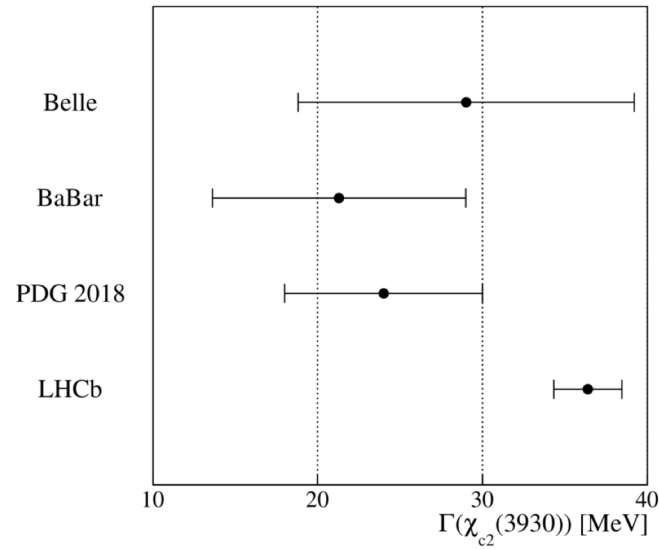
- Golden Era for spectroscopy
- Many results have already come out of LHCb
- Today focused on recent results on  $b$ -baryons, doubly charmed baryons and hidden charm
- Several analyses already exploit fully Run 1+2 dataset
  - A lot more to come in next years
- Future: LHCb upgrade will increase dataset by factor 5-10 depending on mode





# Backup





# The LHCb Detector

