

# Triangle Singularities in the Production of $T_{cc}^+(3875)$

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BHIJ = Braaten, He, Ingles & Jiang

# Triangle Singularities in the Production of $T_{cc}^+(3875)$

- S-wave near-threshold molecules:  $T_{cc}^+(3875)$  and  $X(3872)$
- Single Parton Scattering and Double Parton Scattering
- Triangle singularities
- Multiplicity dependence

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

discovery by Belle 2003

$$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ X, \quad X \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$$

- mass extremely close to  $D^{*0} \bar{D}^0$  threshold  
 $E_X \equiv M_X - (M_{D^{*0}} + M_{D^0}) = (-0.07 \pm 0.12) \text{ MeV}$  LHCb 2020  
 $E_X > -0.22 \text{ MeV}$  at 90% CL
- quantum numbers  $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$  LHCb 2013  
 $\Rightarrow$  S-wave coupling to the charm mesons

Conclusion:

$X$  is a loosely bound charm-meson molecule !

$$X(3872) = (D^{*0} \bar{D}^0 + D^0 \bar{D}^{*0})/\sqrt{2}$$

with universal properties determined by binding energy

# $T_{cc}^+(3875)$

discovery by LHCb 2021

$p p \rightarrow T_{cc}^+ + \text{anything}, \quad T_{cc}^+ \rightarrow D^0 D^0 \pi^+$

- mass extremely close to  $D^{*+}D^0$  threshold  
 $E_T \equiv M_T - (M_{D^{*+}} + M_{D^0}) = (-0.27 \pm 0.06) \text{ MeV}$  LHCb 2021
- quantum numbers  $J^P = 1^+ ?$   
 $\Rightarrow$  S-wave coupling to the charm mesons

Conclusion:

$T_{cc}^+$  is a loosely bound charm-meson molecule !

$$T_{cc}^+(3875) = D^{*+}D^0$$

(plus small mixture of  $D^{*0}D^+$ )

with universal properties determined by binding energy

# S-wave Resonance near Threshold

has universal properties determined by binding energy  $|E_X|$

- constituents have large scattering length:  $a = 1/\sqrt{2\mu |E_X|}$
- universal wavefunction:  $\psi(r) = \exp(-r/a)/r$
- large mean separation of constituents:  $\langle r \rangle = a/2$

$$X(3872): |E_X| < 0.22 \text{ MeV} \implies \langle r \rangle > 4.8 \text{ fm}$$

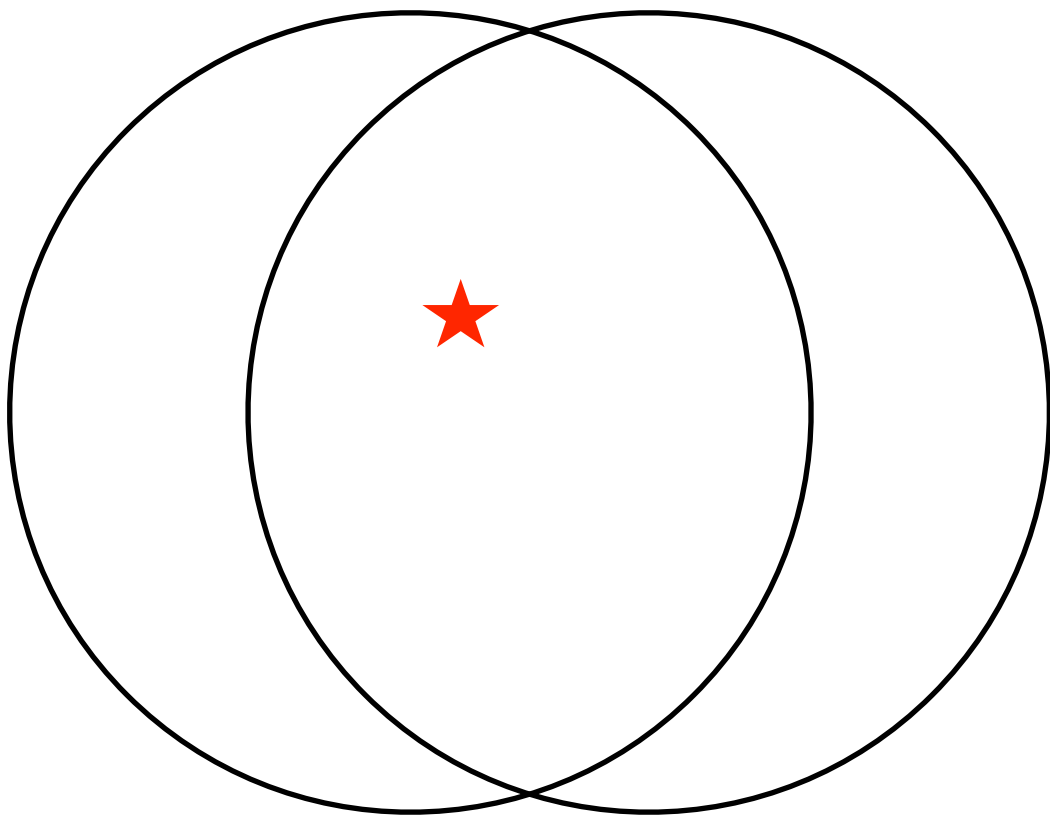
$$T_{cc}^+(3875): |E_X| = 0.27 \pm 0.06 \text{ MeV} \implies \langle r \rangle = 4.3 \pm 0.6 \text{ fm}$$

# Proton-Proton Collisions at LHC

- protons are Lorentz contracted to thin disks
- disks collide with variable impact parameter

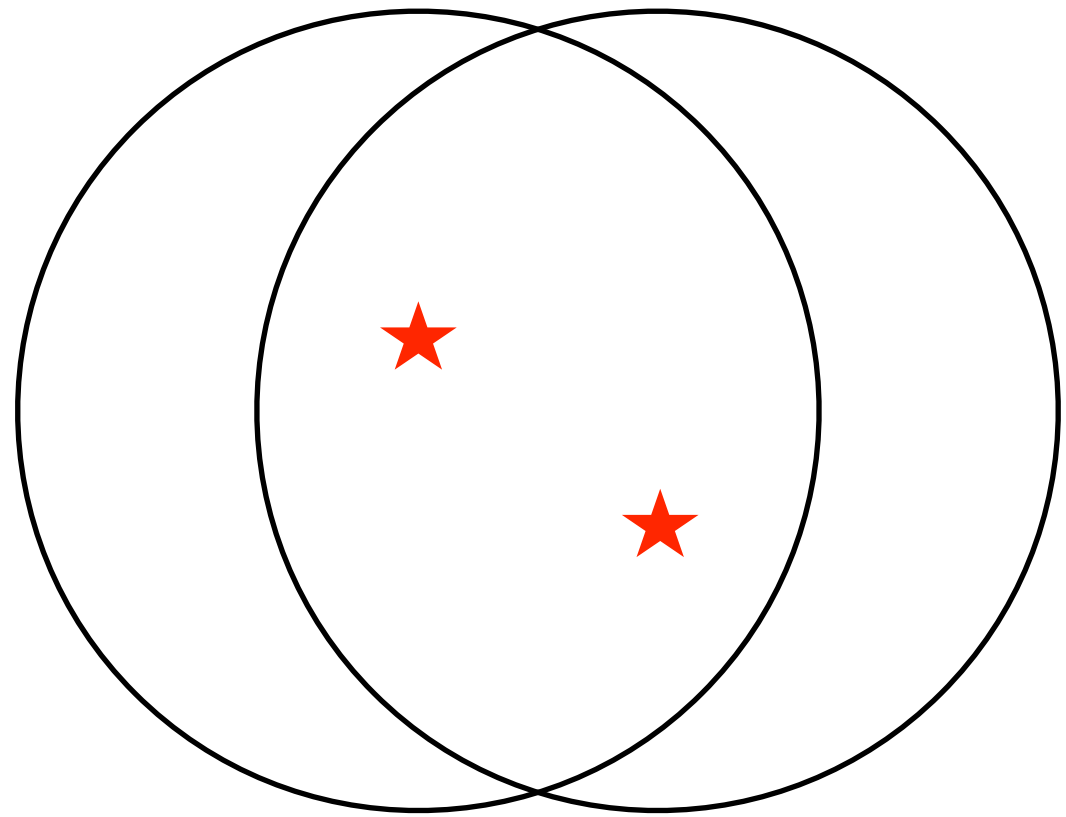
## Single Parton Scattering

hard scattering of 2 partons  
at 1 point in overlapping disks



## Double Parton Scattering

hard scattering of partons  
at 2 separate points

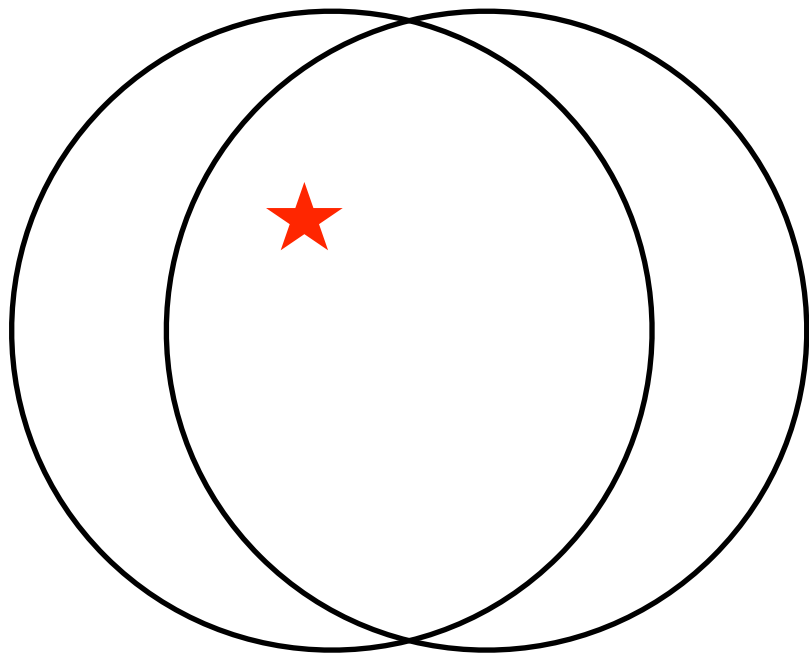


**Double Parton Scattering** is expected to produce events  
with higher multiplicities than **Single Parton Scattering**

# Production of $X(3872)$

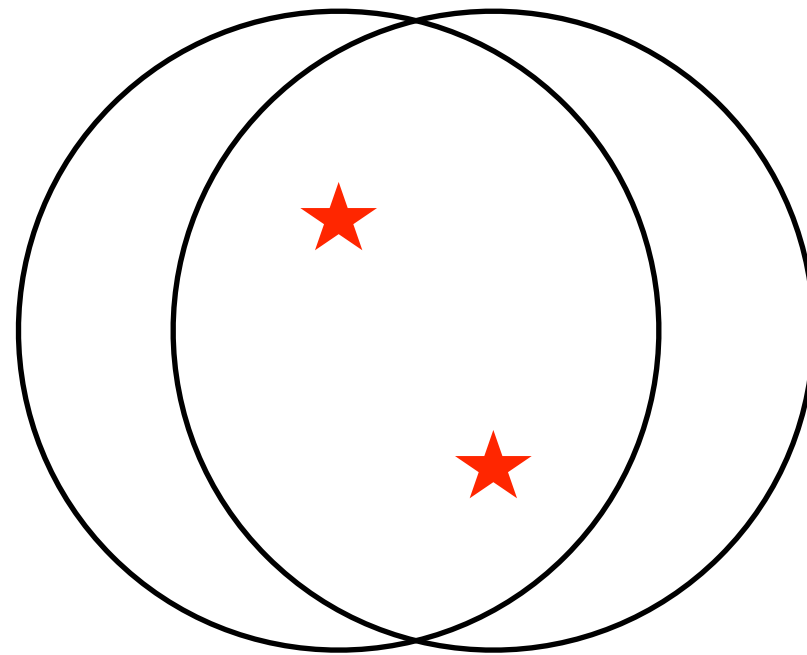
- requires production of **charm mesons**  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$  or  $D^0\bar{D}^{*0}$  with small relative momentum
- requires creation of **charm quark and antiquark**  $c\bar{c}$  with small relative momentum

## Single Parton Scattering



$$\star \quad g g \longrightarrow \boxed{c\bar{c}} + g \quad \text{order } \alpha_s^3$$

## Double Parton Scattering



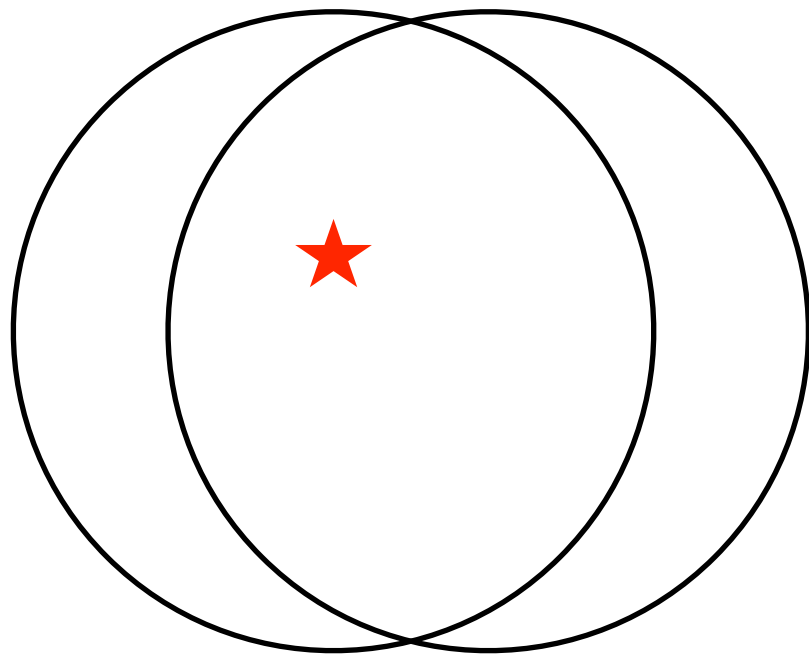
$$\begin{aligned} \star \quad g g &\longrightarrow \boxed{c} + \bar{c} \quad \text{order } \alpha_s^2 \\ \star \quad g g &\longrightarrow \boxed{\bar{c}} + c \end{aligned}$$



# Production of $T_{cc}^+(3875)$

- requires production of **charm mesons**  $D^{*+}D^0$  (or  $D^{*0}D^+$ ) with small relative momentum
- requires creation of **two charm quarks**  $c c$  with small relative momentum

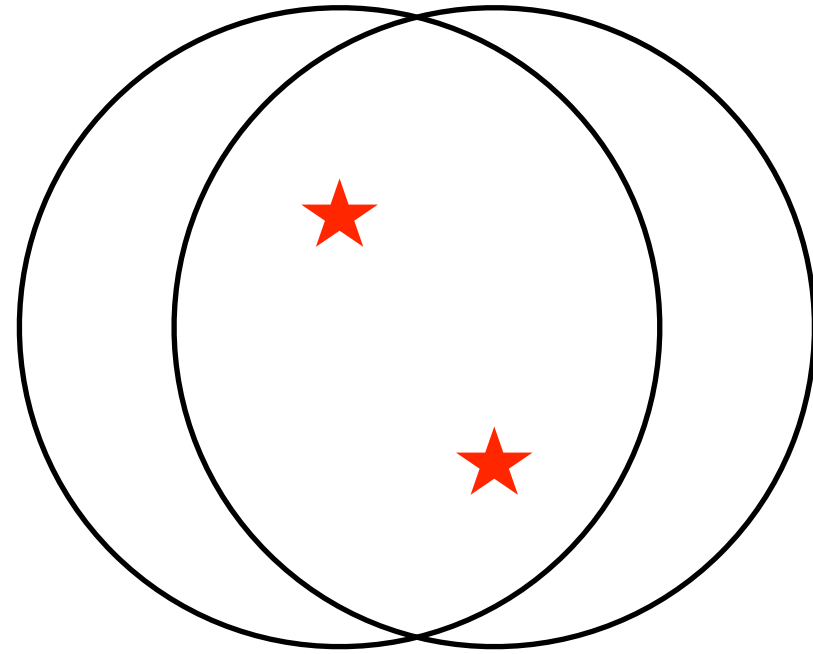
## Single Parton Scattering



$$\star \quad g g \longrightarrow \boxed{c c} + \bar{c} + \bar{c} \quad \text{order } \alpha_s^4$$

suppressed compared  
to  $X(3872)$

## Double Parton Scattering



$$\begin{aligned} \star \quad g g &\longrightarrow \boxed{c} + \bar{c} \quad \text{order } \alpha_s^2 \\ \star \quad g g &\longrightarrow \boxed{c} + \bar{c} \end{aligned}$$

comparable to  $X(3872)$

# Multiplicity Dependence

- number of tracks in LHCb vertex detector  $N_{\text{tracks}}$  strongly correlated with hadron multiplicity  $dN/dy$

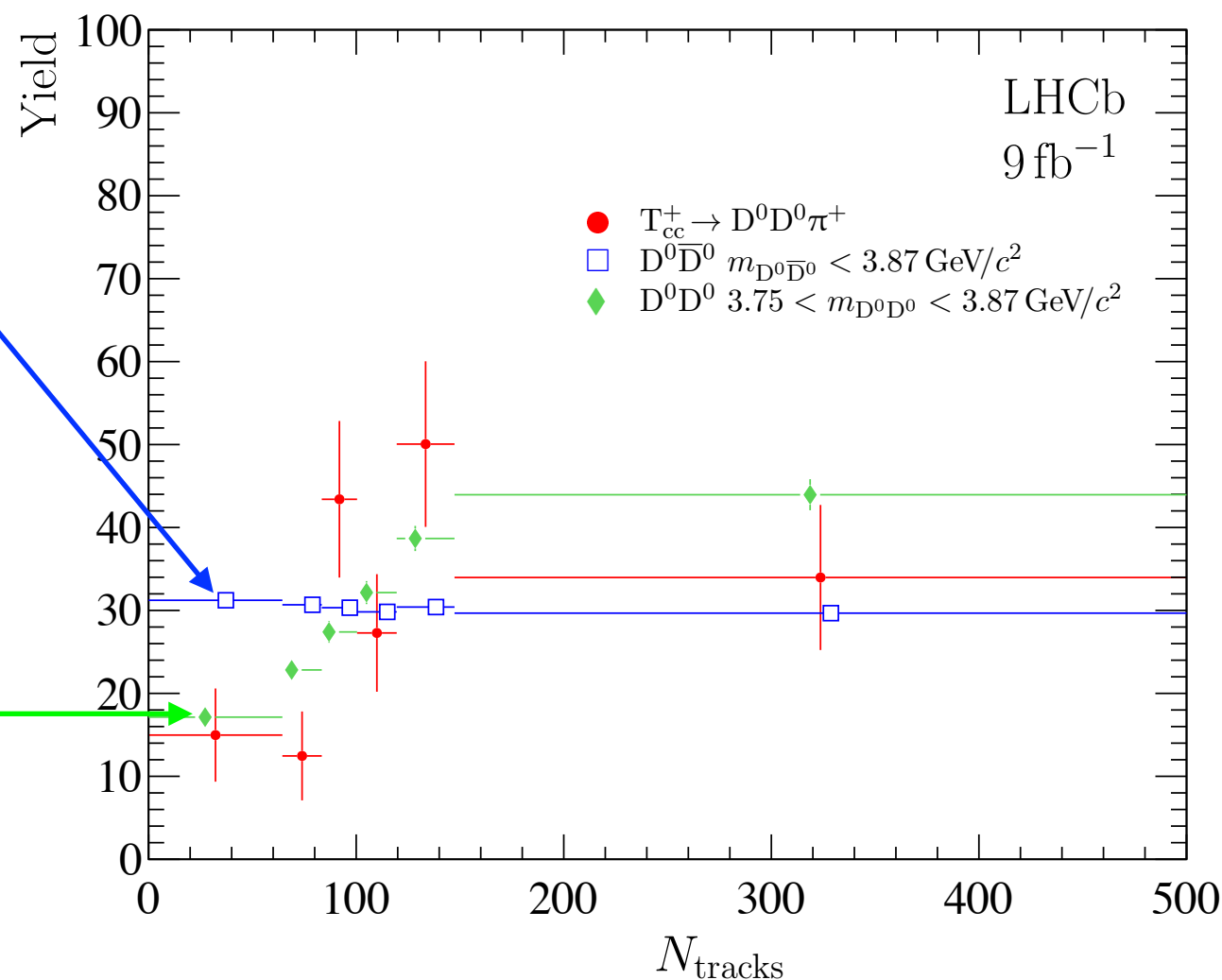
LHCb: arXiv:2109.01056

Low-mass charm+anticharm:  $D^0\bar{D}^0$

- independent of  $N_{\text{tracks}}$
- dominated by SPS ?
- $X(3872)$  dominated by SPS ??

Low-mass double charm:  $D^0D^0$

- increasing with  $N_{\text{tracks}}$
- dominated by DPS ?
- $T_{cc}^+(3872)$  dominated by DPS ??
- $T_{cc}^+(3872)$  at small  $N_{\text{tracks}}$  dominated by SPS ???

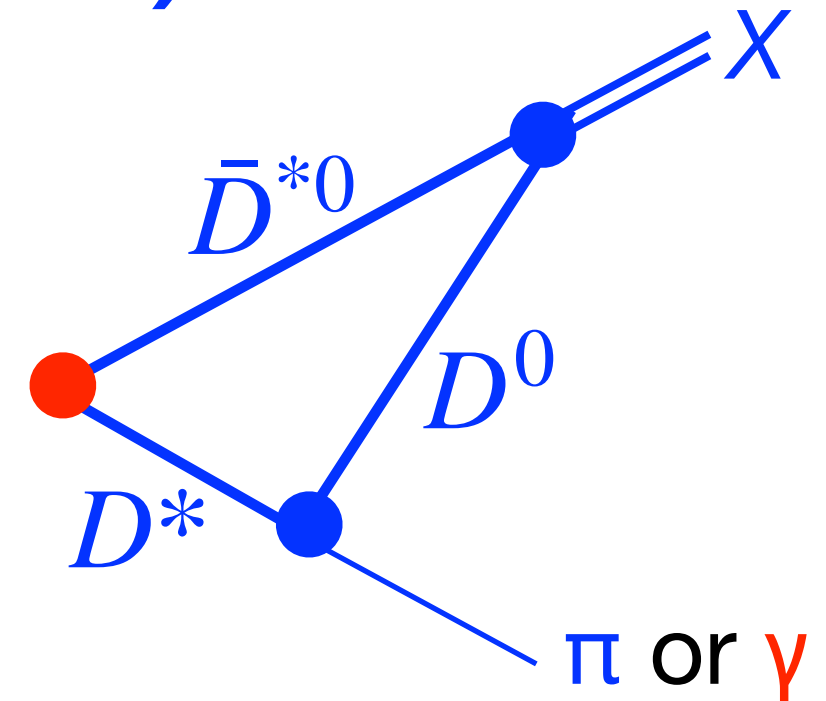


# Production of $X(3872)$

## Single Parton Scattering

$\Rightarrow$  charm mesons created at a point

if  $D^*\bar{D}^*$  are created at a point  
they can rescatter into  $X+\pi$  (or  $X+\gamma$ )  
through a triangle diagram



## Triangle Singularity

when 3 lines forming triangle can all be exactly on shell  
reaction rate has  $\log^2|E-E_\Delta|$  divergence

at energy  $E_\Delta$  determined by masses

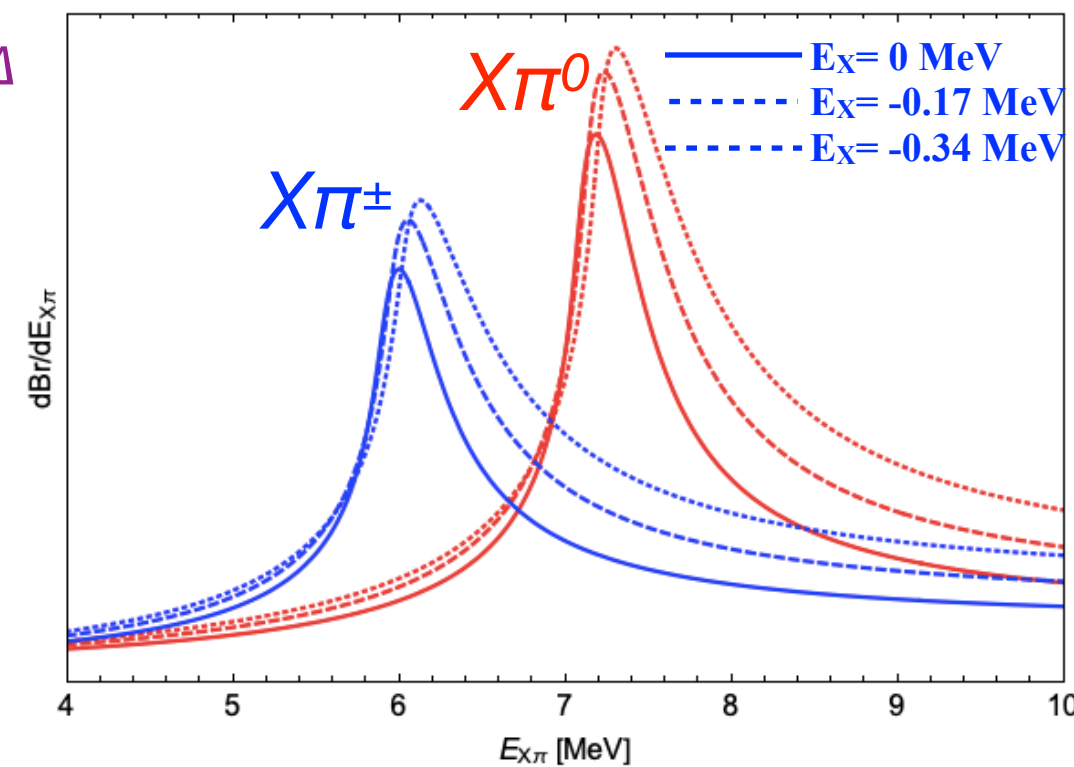
when 3 lines forming triangle can all be almost on shell  
reaction rate has narrow peak at energy  $E_\Delta$

prompt production in  $pp$  collisions

BHI (2019)

narrow peak in  $X\pi^\pm$  invariant mass

6.1 MeV above  $X\pi^\pm$  threshold  
with width about 1 MeV

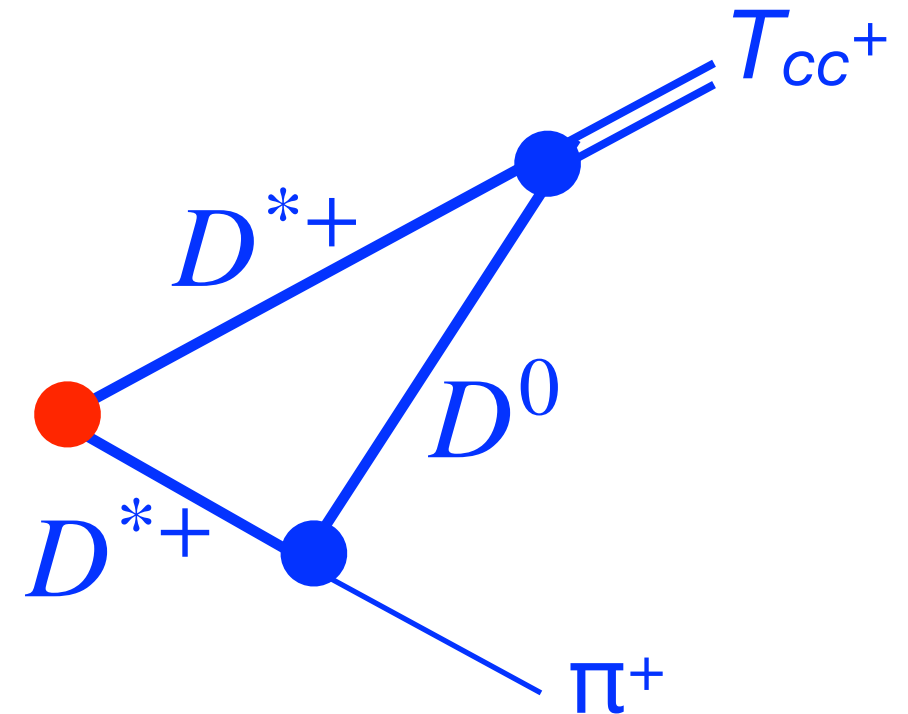


# Production of $T_{cc}^+(3875)$

## Single Parton Scattering

$\Rightarrow$  charm mesons created at a point

if  $D^{*+}D^{*+}$  are created at a point  
they can rescatter into  $T_{cc}^+ + \pi^+$   
through a triangle diagram



## Triangle Singularity

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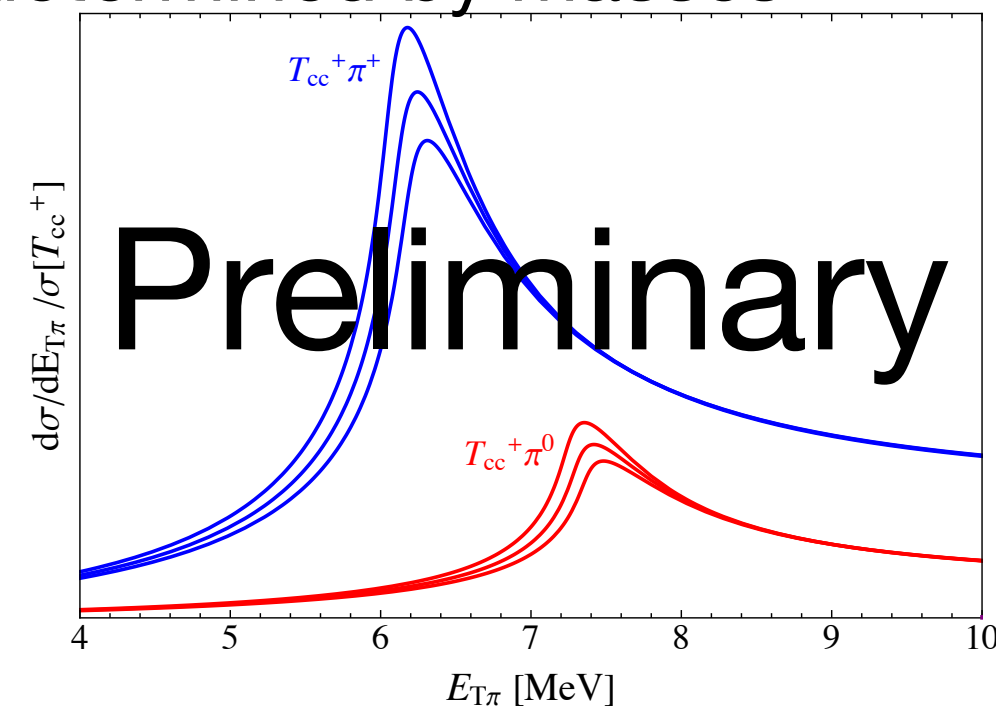
BHIJ (in preparation)

narrow peak in  $T_{cc}^+ \pi^+$  invariant mass

6.1 MeV above  $T_{cc}^+ \pi^+$  threshold

with width about 1 MeV

observable at low multiplicity ??



# Production of $X(3872)$

## other peaks from Triangle Singularities

$e^+e^-$  annihilation Dubinskiy & Voloshin (2006)

$e^+e^- \rightarrow X + \gamma$  BHI (2019)

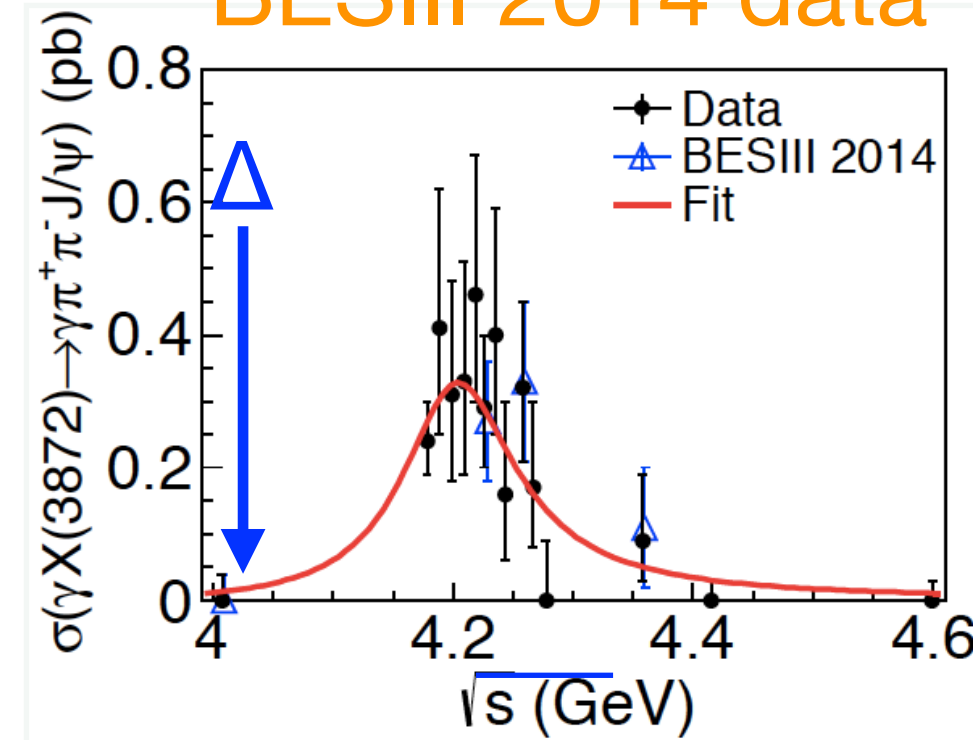
narrow peak near 4016 MeV with width about 2 MeV

$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+(X\gamma)$  Guo (2019), Sakai, Jing & Guo (2020)

$e^+e^- \rightarrow D^{*0}\bar{D}^0 + \gamma$  BHIJ (2020)

interference effect from triangle singularity

## BESIII 2014 data



## B meson decay

$B \rightarrow K + (X\pi)$  BHI (2019), Sakai, Oset & Guo (2020)

narrow peak in  $X\pi$  invariant mass

$X\pi^+$ : 6.1 MeV above  $X\pi^+$  threshold with width about 1 MeV

$X\pi^0$ : 7.3 MeV above  $X\pi^0$  threshold with width about 1 MeV

# Production of $X(3872)$

production of  $X\pi^\pm$  in  $p\bar{p}$  collisions at the Tevatron

DØ arxiv:2007.13420

Triangle Singularity produces narrow peak in  $X\pi^\pm$  invariant mass

6.1 MeV above  $X\pi^\pm$  threshold with width about 1 MeV

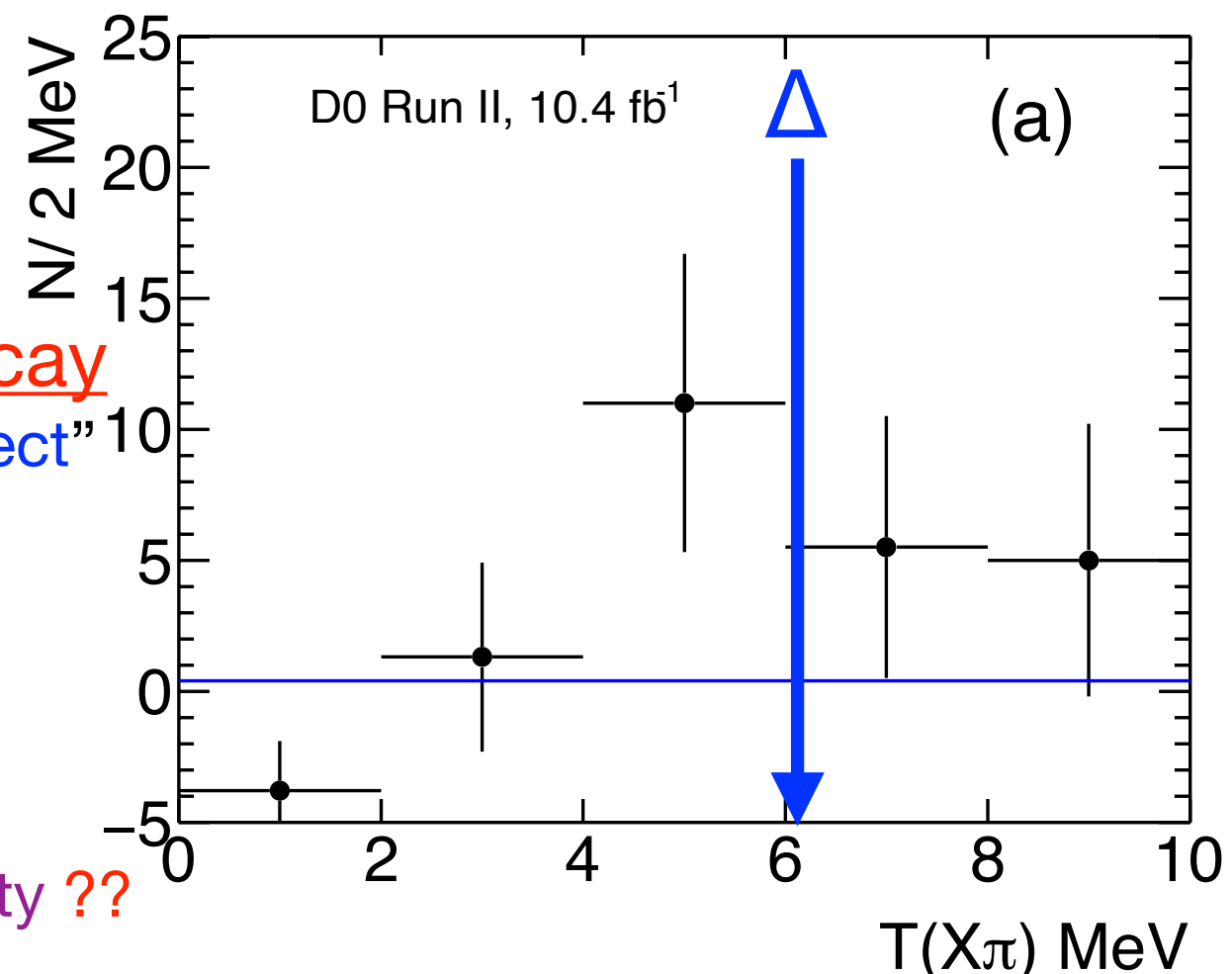
prompt production of  $X\pi^\pm$ :

DØ: “no evidence for soft-pion effect”

production of  $X\pi^\pm$  from  $b$  hadron decay

DØ: “no significant evidence for soft-pion effect”

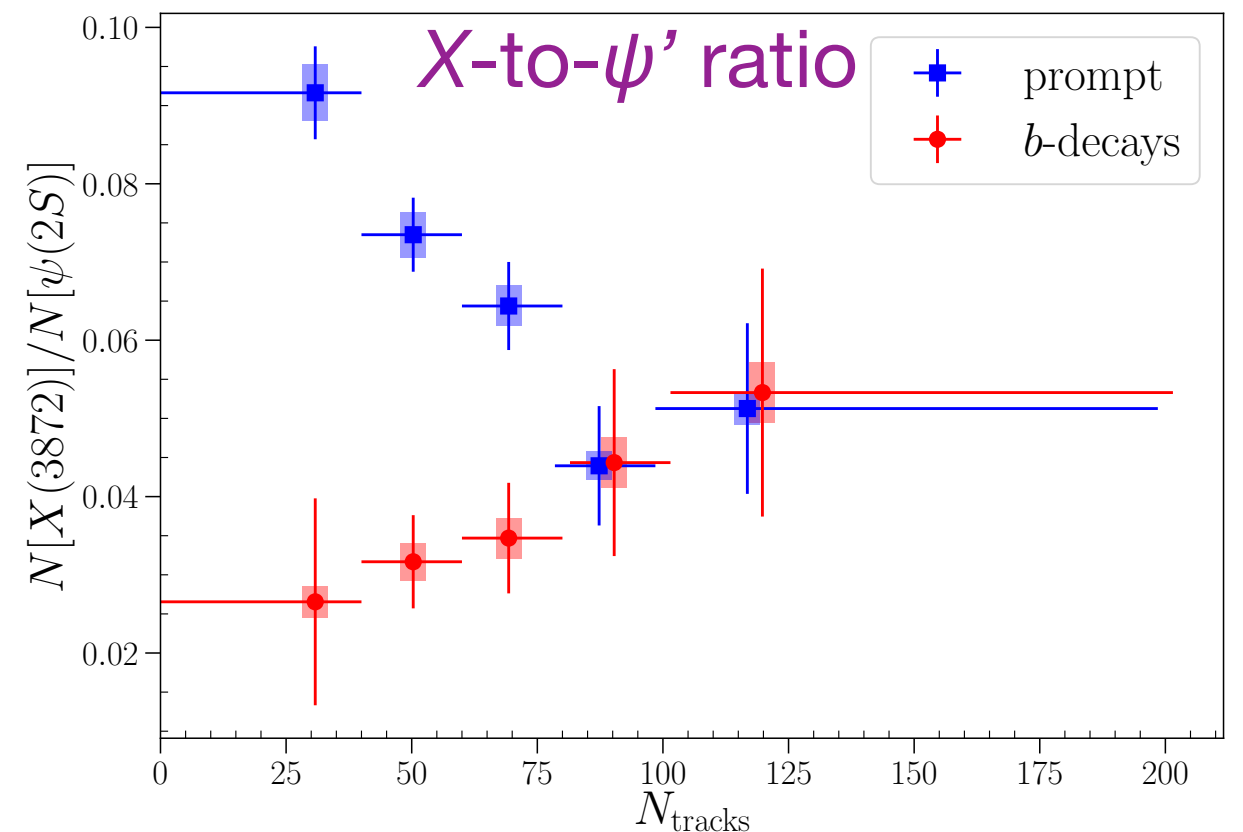
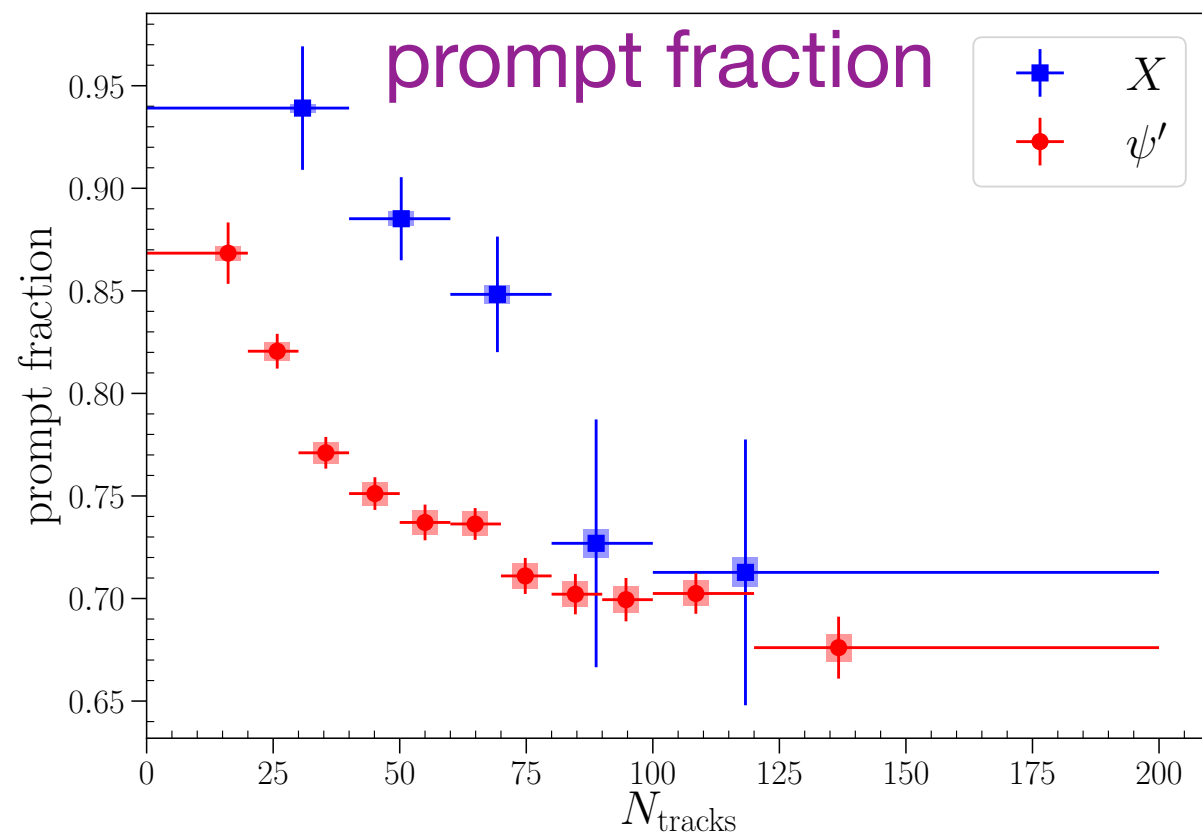
but “small excess” with significance of  $2\sigma$   
at small  $X\pi$  energy



first hint of narrow peak from triangle singularity ??

# Production of $X(3872)$

dependence on multiplicity in  $pp$  collisions      LHCb    2020  
measured prompt fractions for  $X$  and for  $\psi'$   
 $X$ -to- $\psi'$  ratios      for prompt and for  $b$ -decay  
as functions of number of tracks in vertex detector



prompt fraction for  $\psi'$ : seems to saturate at large  $N_{\text{tracks}}$   
 $X$ -to- $\psi'$  ratio for prompt: significant decrease with  $N_{\text{tracks}}$

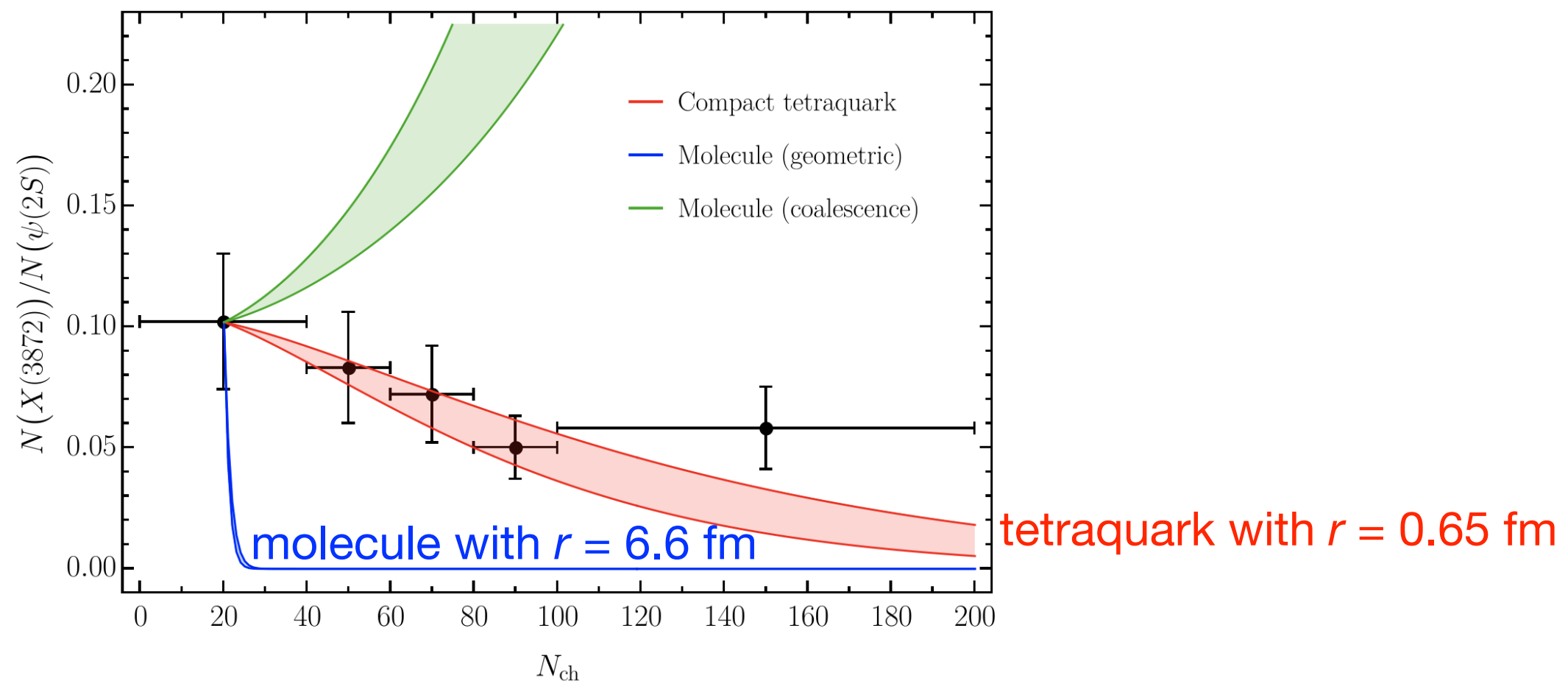
# Production of $X(3872)$

dependence on multiplicity in  $pp$  collisions

Comover Interaction Model

Esposito et al. arXiv:2006.15044

prompt  $X$ -to- $\psi'$  ratio



- only information about **tetraquark** is its size
- incorrect **few-body physics** for **molecule**:  
**breakup cross section**  $\approx$  cross section for scattering from **charm meson**



# Production of $X(3872)$

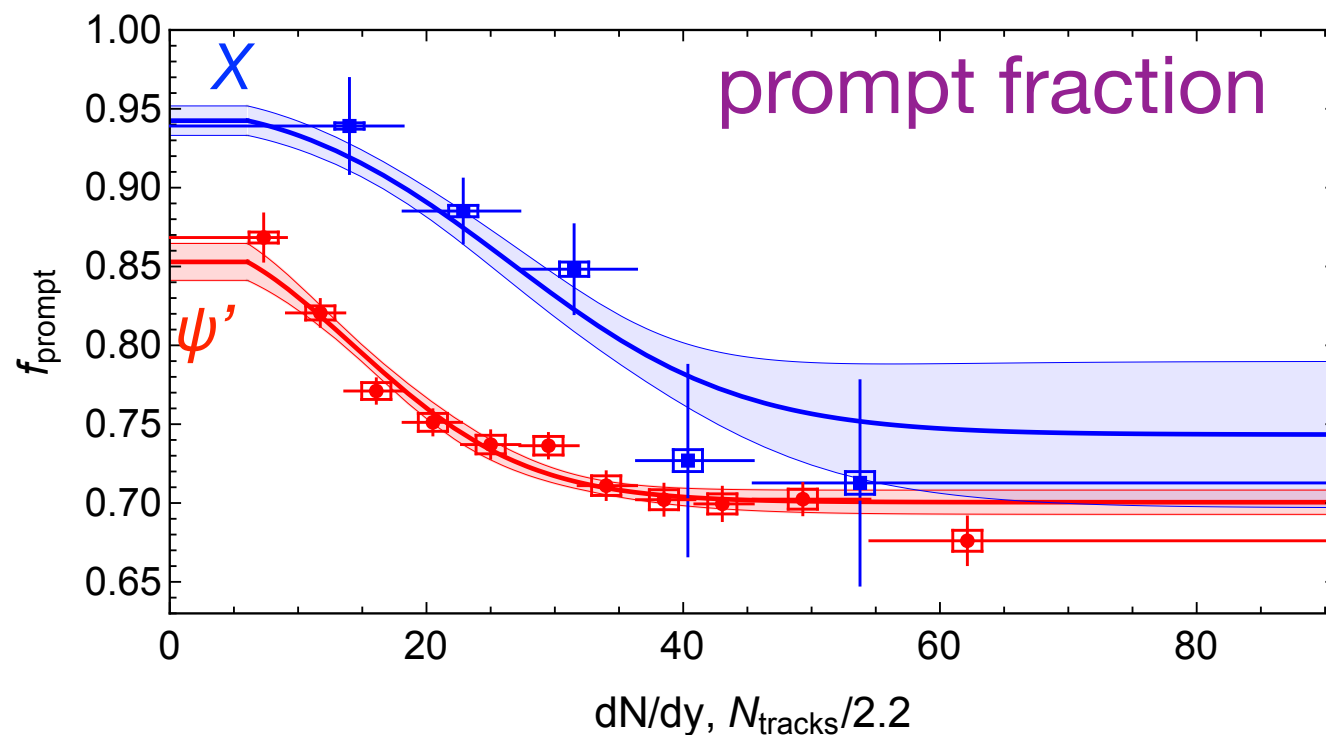
Simple analysis of **LHCb** data

on multiplicity dependence **BHIJ** [arXiv:2012.13499](https://arxiv.org/abs/2012.13499)

## Assumptions

- prompt cross section is sum of
  - term with survival probability of **comover interaction model**
  - term with survival probability = 1 (constant)
- $b$  decay cross section is constant

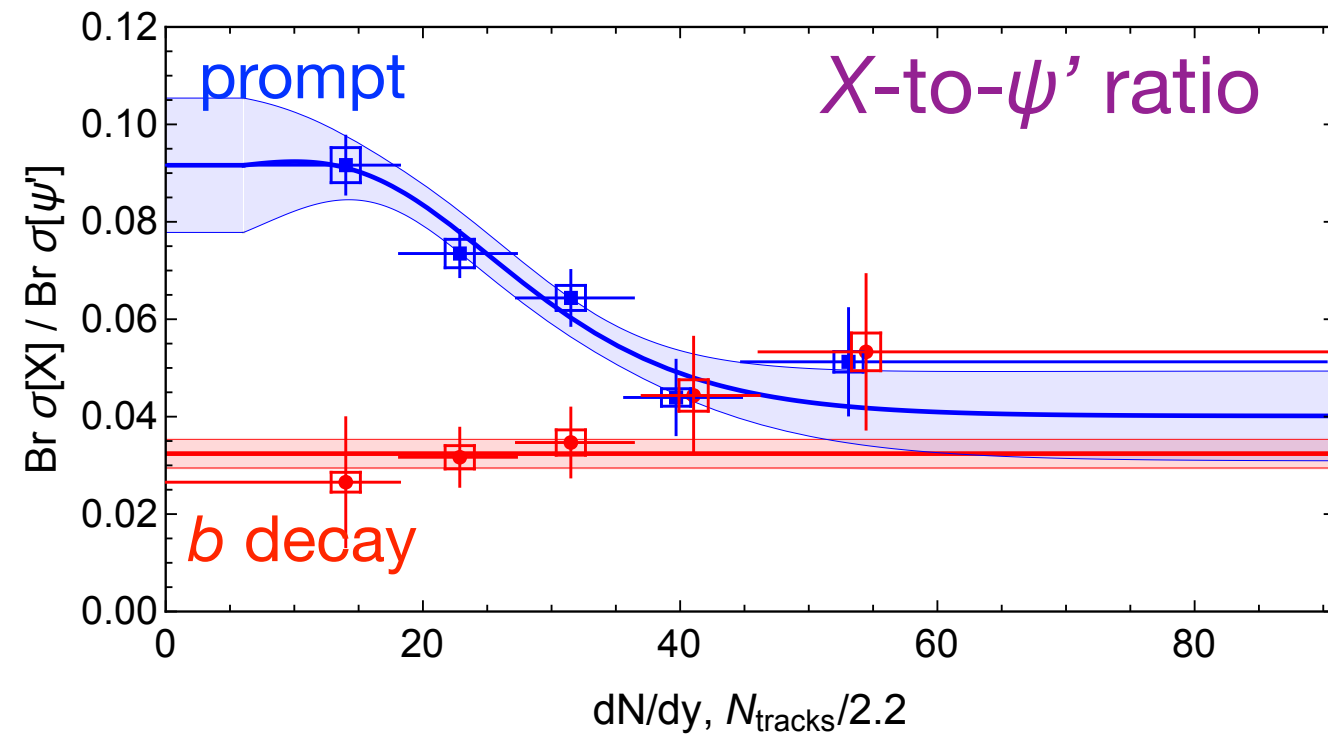
$$S = \exp \left( - \frac{\langle v\sigma \rangle (dN/dy)}{\sigma_{pp}} \log \frac{dN/dy}{N_{pp}} \right)$$



7 fitting parameters

26 data points

$\chi^2/\text{dof} = 0.99$



fitted breakup reaction rates:

$$\langle v\sigma \rangle_{\psi'} = 3.9 \pm 0.8 \text{ mb}$$

$$\langle v\sigma \rangle_X = 2.7 \pm 0.7 \text{ mb}$$

# Summary

production of low-mass double charm:  $D^0 D^0$   
increases with multiplicity

⇒ dominated by Double Parton Scattering

⇒ production of  $T_{cc}^+(3875)$  dominated by DPS

production of low-mass charm+anticharm:  $D^0 \bar{D}^0$   
does not depend on multiplicity

⇒ dominated by Single Parton Scattering

⇒ production of  $X(3872)$  dominated by SPS

⇒ triangle singularity in production of  $X \pi^\pm$

narrow peak in  $X \pi^\pm$  invariant mass

6.1 MeV above threshold

smoking gun for loosely bound molecule!

