

# Hadron spectroscopy and hadron-hadron interactions

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On behalf of the LHCb collaboration + results from CMS, ATLAS and ALICE

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# Outline

- This talk was originally assigned to Liupan An (LHCb), but unfortunately she was not able to attend
- This is the outline of the talk → as usual the shopping list is too long → I will cover only a small subset
- Hope to make justice to the good work by all the experiments in this rich field!

## LHCb

- **Observation of new charmonium(-like) states in  $B^+ \rightarrow D^{*\pm} D^\mp K^+$  decays**  
PRELIMINARY: PAPER-2023-047 about to be submitted to arXiv
- **Observation of exotic  $J/\psi\phi$  resonances in CEP collisions**  
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- **Search for  $P_c$  in open charm modes**  
[arXiv: 2404.07131](https://arxiv.org/abs/2404.07131) submitted to PRD

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## CMS

- $\Xi_b \rightarrow \Psi(2S)\Xi$  &  $\Xi_b^* \rightarrow \Xi b\pi$  *Accepted for publication in Phys. Rev. D*  
<https://cms-results.web.cern.ch/cms-results/public-results/publications/BPH-23-002/index.html>
- **$f_0(980)$  hadron in proton-lead collisions and evidence for its quark-antiquark composition**  
<https://cms-results.web.cern.ch/cms-results/public-results/publications/HIN-20-002/index.html>

Submitted to Nature Physics

## ALICE

- **Observation of abnormal suppression of  $f_0(980)$  production in p-Pb collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$  TeV**  
<https://alice-publications.web.cern.ch/node/10258> *Phys. Lett. B 853 (2024) 138665*
- **Exploring the strong interaction of three-body systems at the LHC**  
<https://alice-publications.web.cern.ch/node/9595> *arXiv:2308.16120*

# Parallel sessions

More results and detailed presentations can be found in today's parallel session  
Dedicated talks for each experiment + interesting theoretical insights

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Tutti i giorni
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Stampa
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Vista dettagliata
Applica

14:00	<b>Heavy flavor spectroscopy studies at LHCb</b> <i>ISEC Room 142</i>	<i>Paolo Gandini</i> 14:00 - 14:18
	<b>Heavy flavor spectroscopy studies at CMS</b> <i>ISEC Room 142</i>	<i>Kai Yi</i> 14:18 - 14:36
	<b>Heavy flavor spectroscopy studies at Atlas</b> <i>ISEC Room 142</i>	<i>Vincenzo Canale</i> 14:36 - 14:54
15:00	<b>Theory perspectives on doubly-heavy flavor tetraquarks</b> <i>ISEC Room 142</i>	<i>Randy Lewis</i> 14:54 - 15:12
	<b>The Pentaquark Spectrum from Fermi Statistics</b> <i>ISEC Room 142</i>	<i>Antonio Polosa</i> 15:12 - 15:30

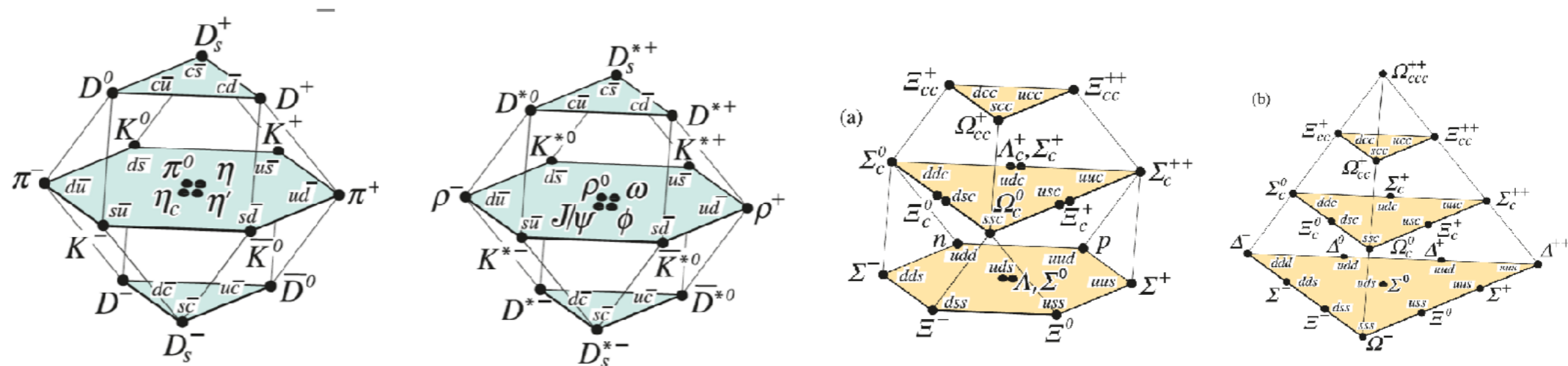
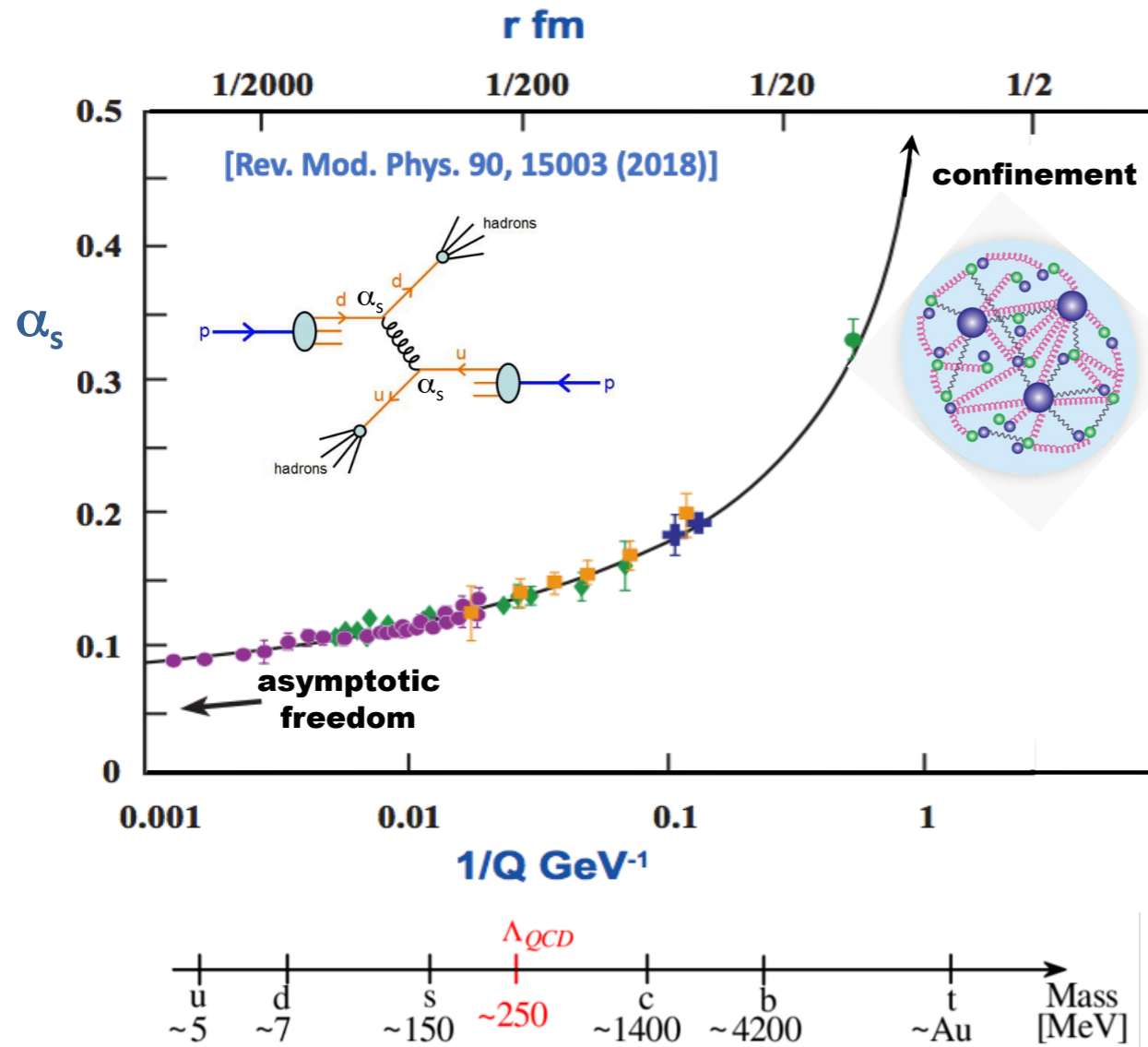


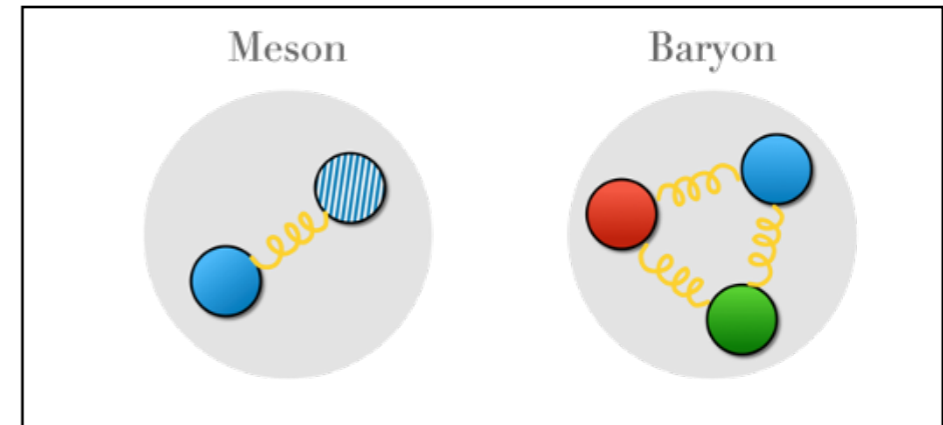
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[Review of Particle Physics](#)



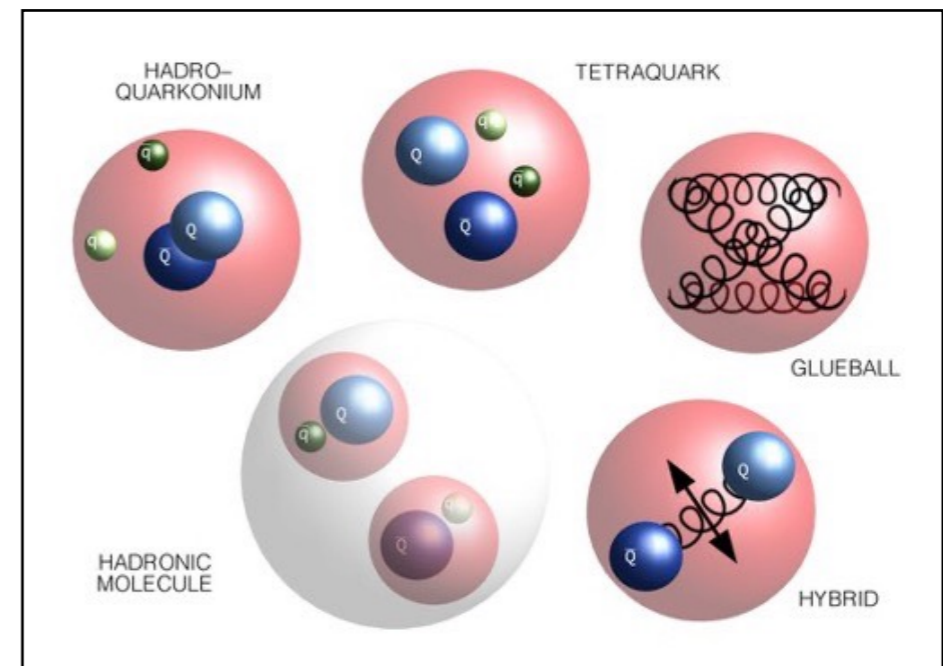
# Introduction: QCD



Conventional  
hadrons



Exotic  
hadrons

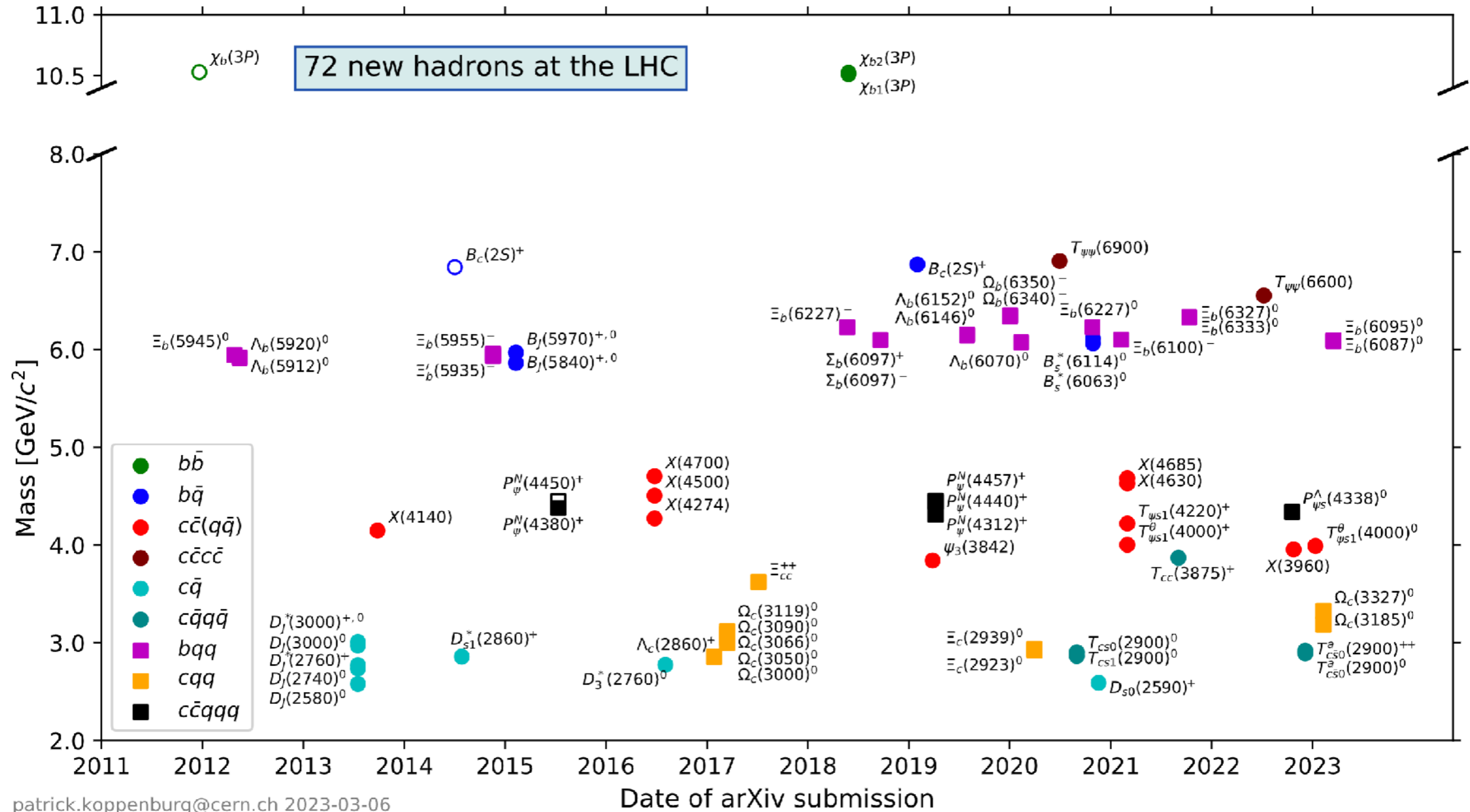


- **QCD dilemma:** understanding the non-perturbative property of QCD at low-energy scale
- **Hadron spectroscopy:** a main tool to probe QCD at low-energy regime
- **Heavy quarks bring advances both experimentally and theoretically**



# New hadrons at LHC

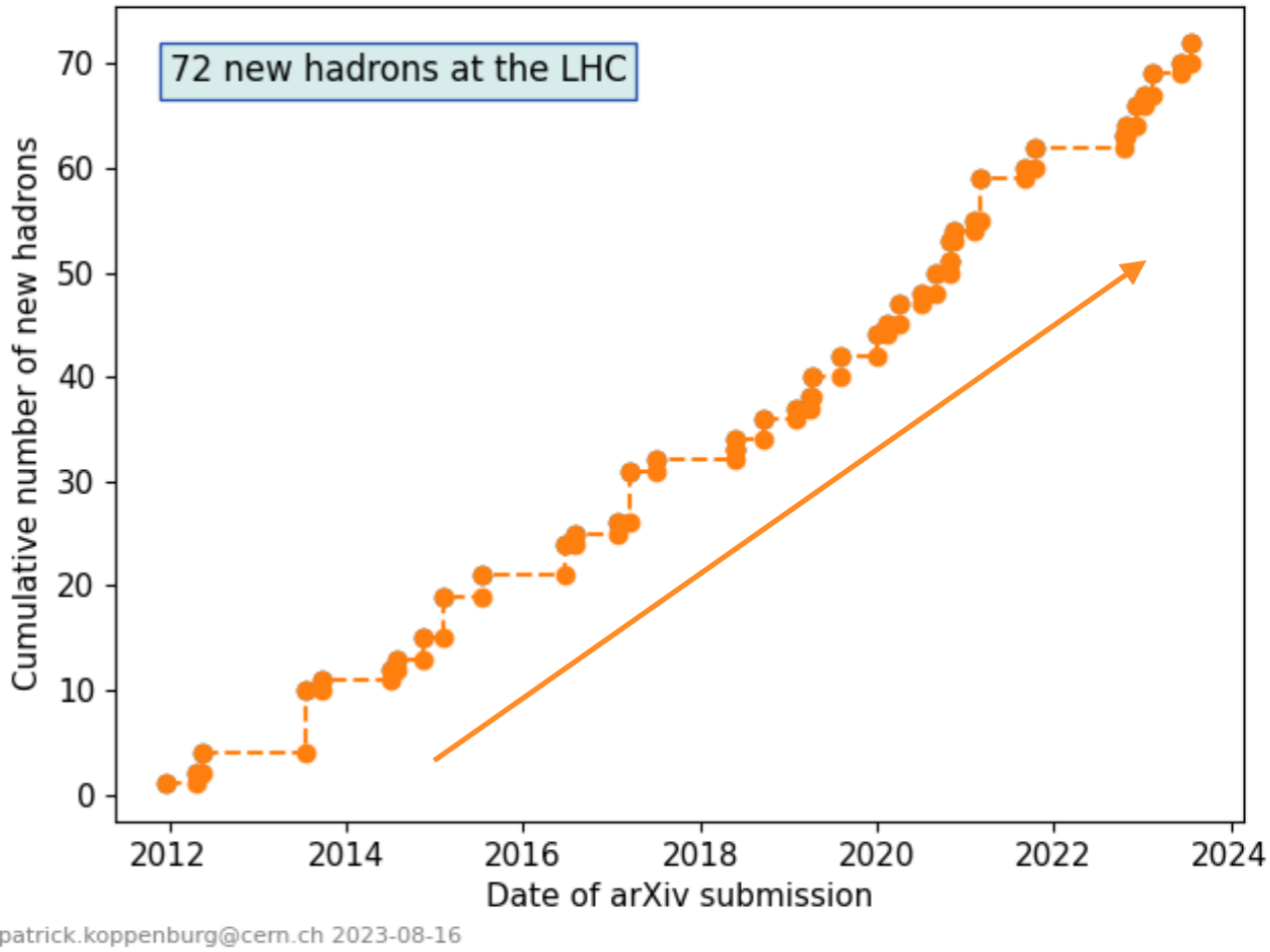
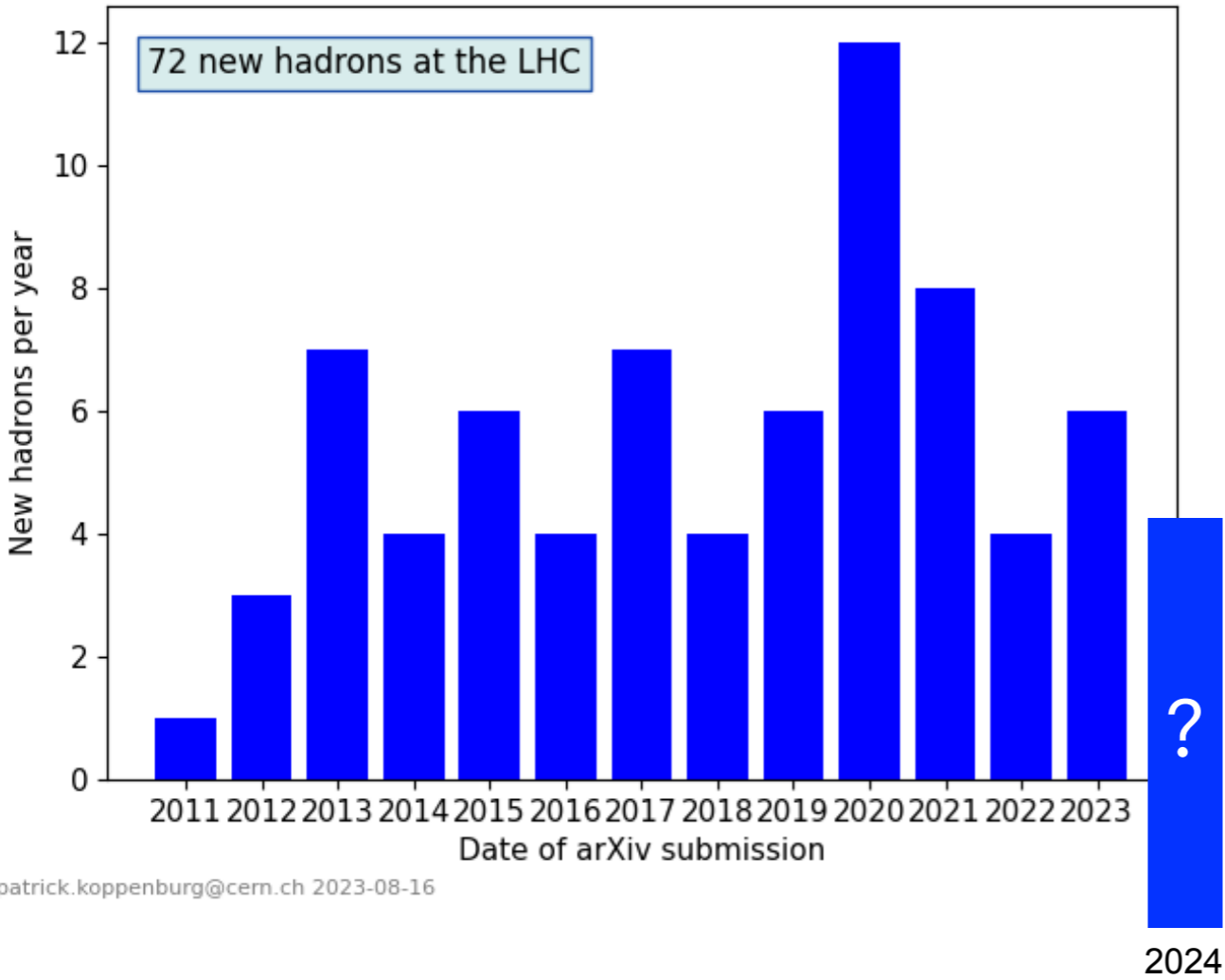
- Spectroscopy is a super-active field at LHC and all the experiments are contributing!
- So far 72 hadrons have been discovered at the LHC, of which 64 by LHCb
- The list is growing... All sectors represented



LHCb collaboration, P. Koppenburg, List of hadrons observed at the LHC, LHCb-FIGURE-2021-001, 2021, and 2023 updates.

# New hadrons at LHC

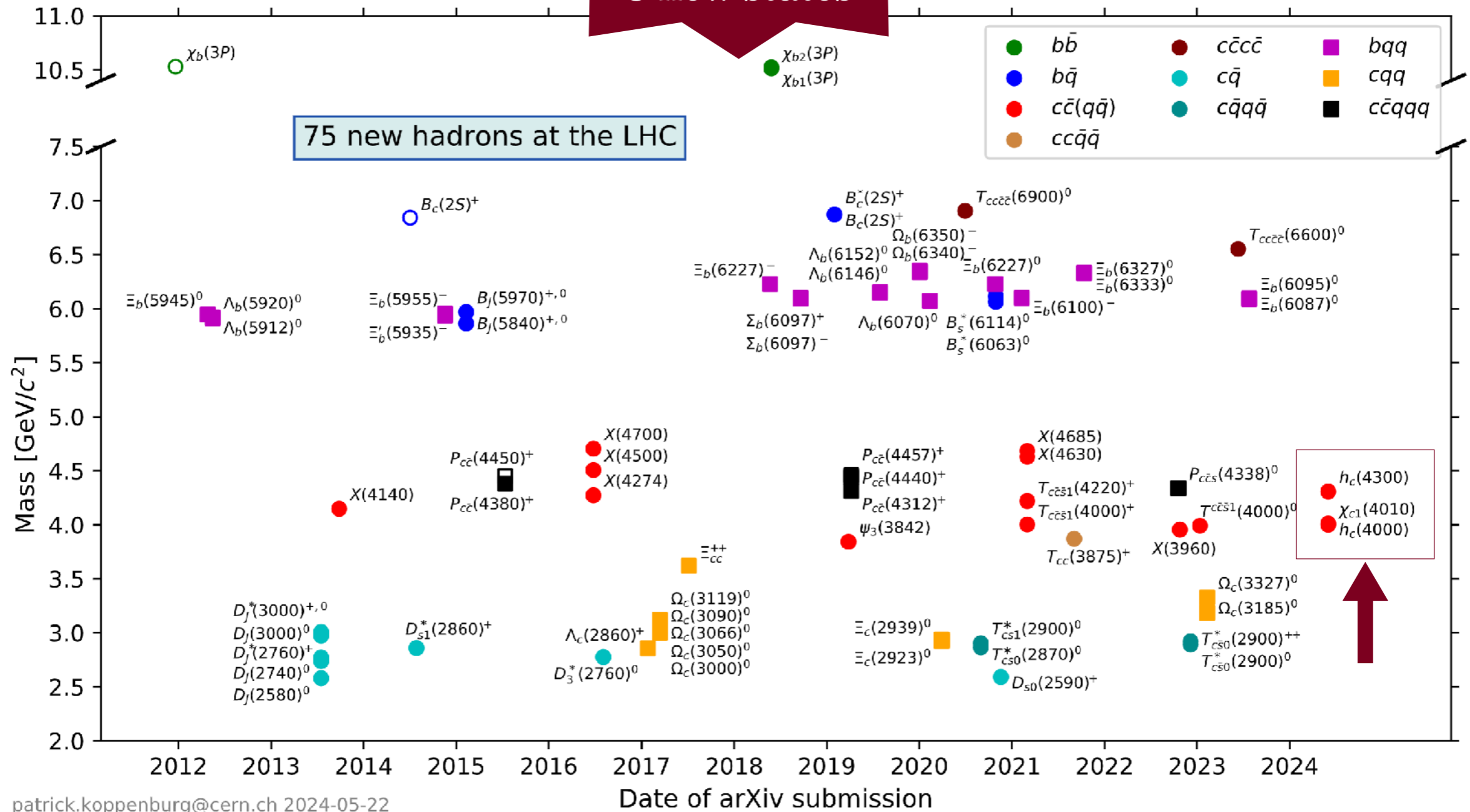
- In 2024, no new hadrons yet!
- But summer conferences have just started...
- And Run3 data taking is in full steam...



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# New hadrons at LHC

**SPOILER ALERT**  
3 new states



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Selected results by  
**LHCb**



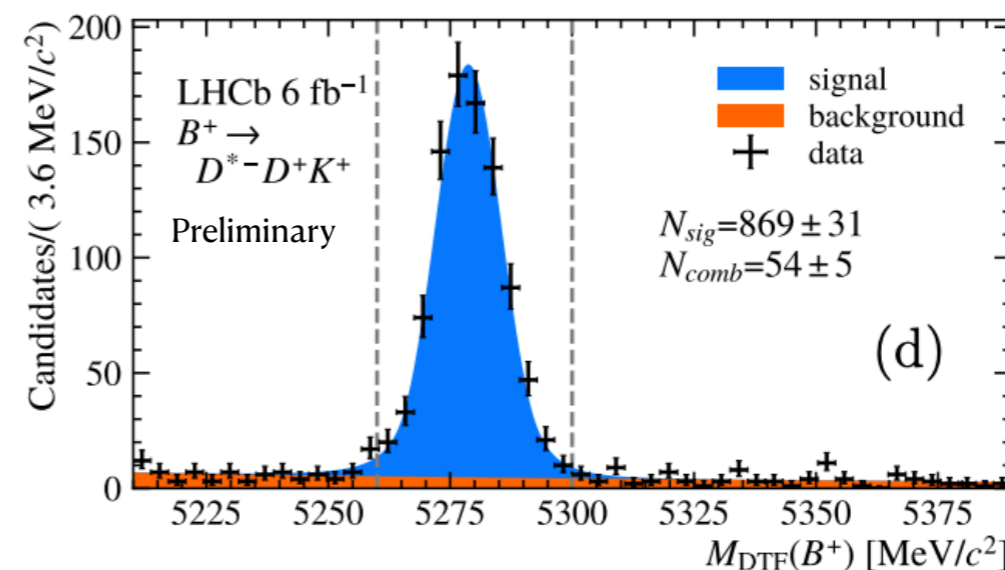
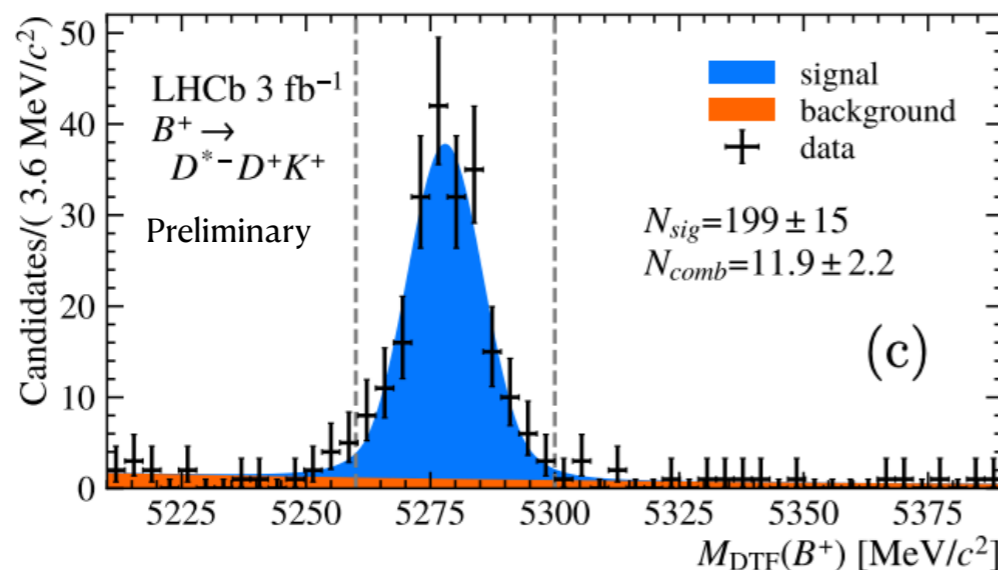
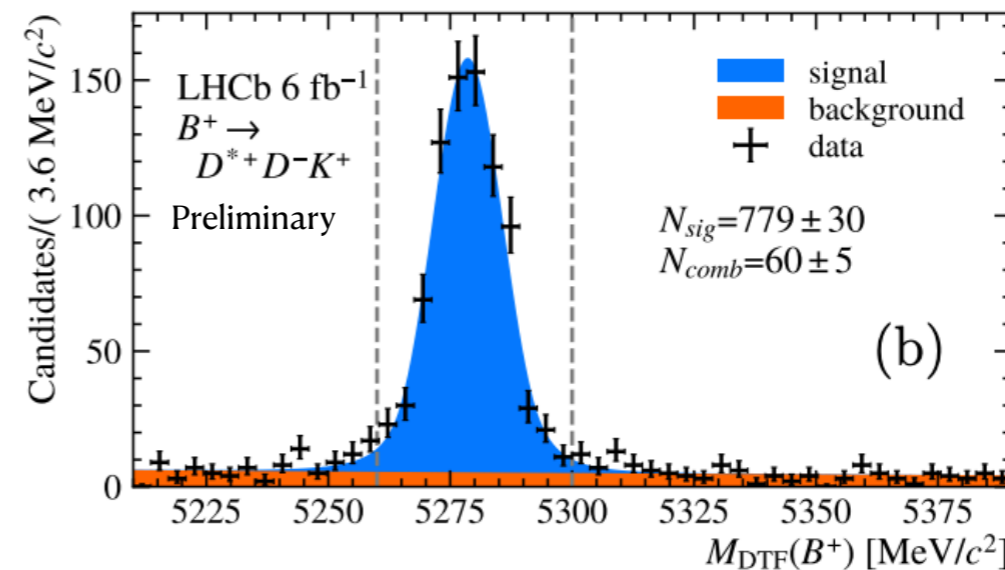
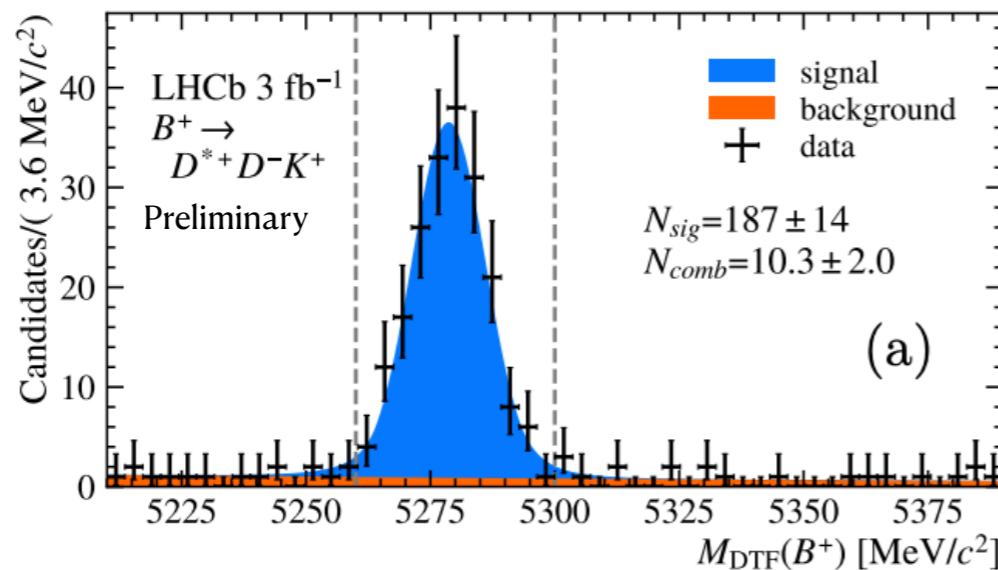
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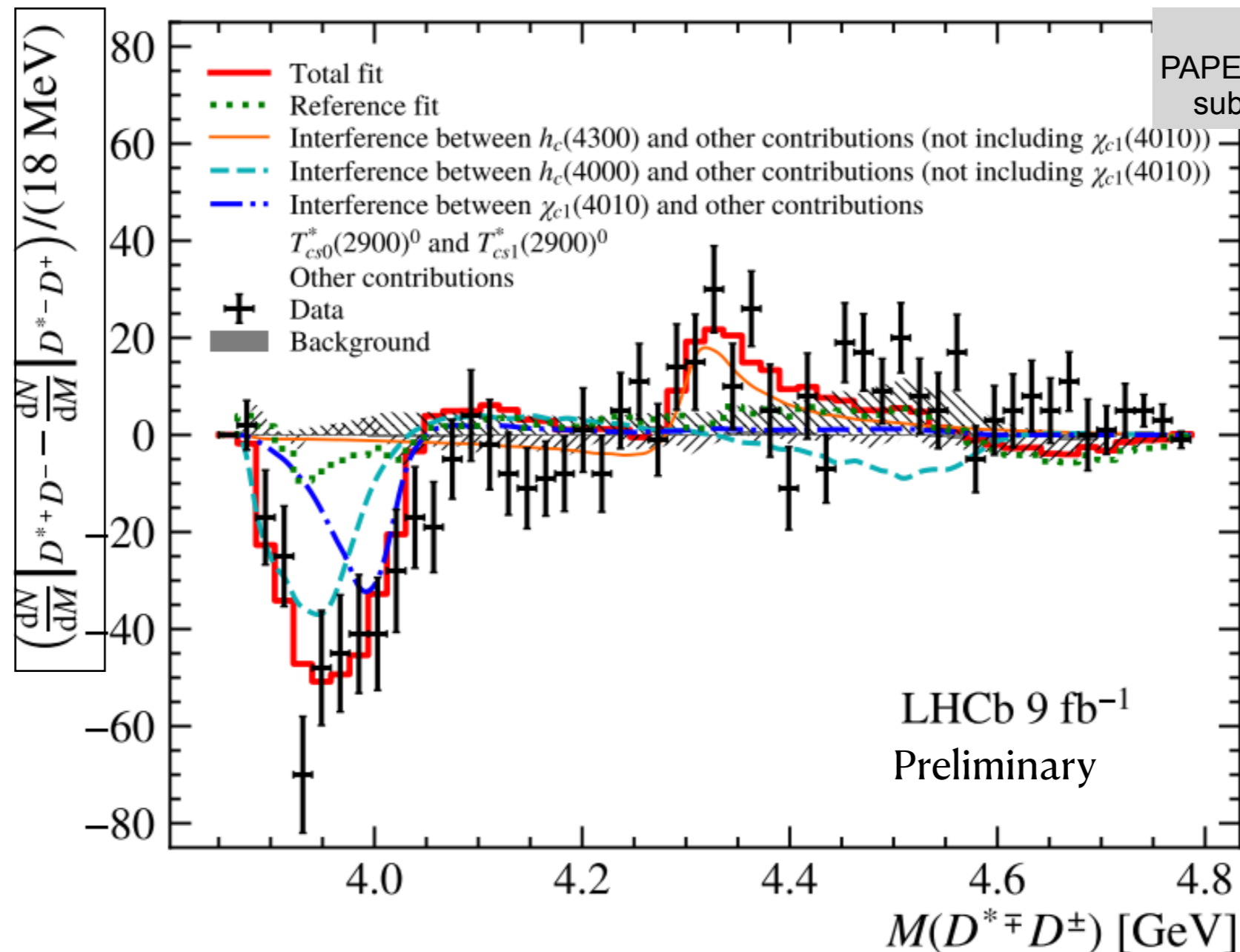
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- A simultaneous amplitude fit performed to two channels
- Include contributions from resonances decaying to  $D^{*-} D^+$  and  $D^{*+} D^-$  (states linked by C parity)
- Determine the C parity of any new states



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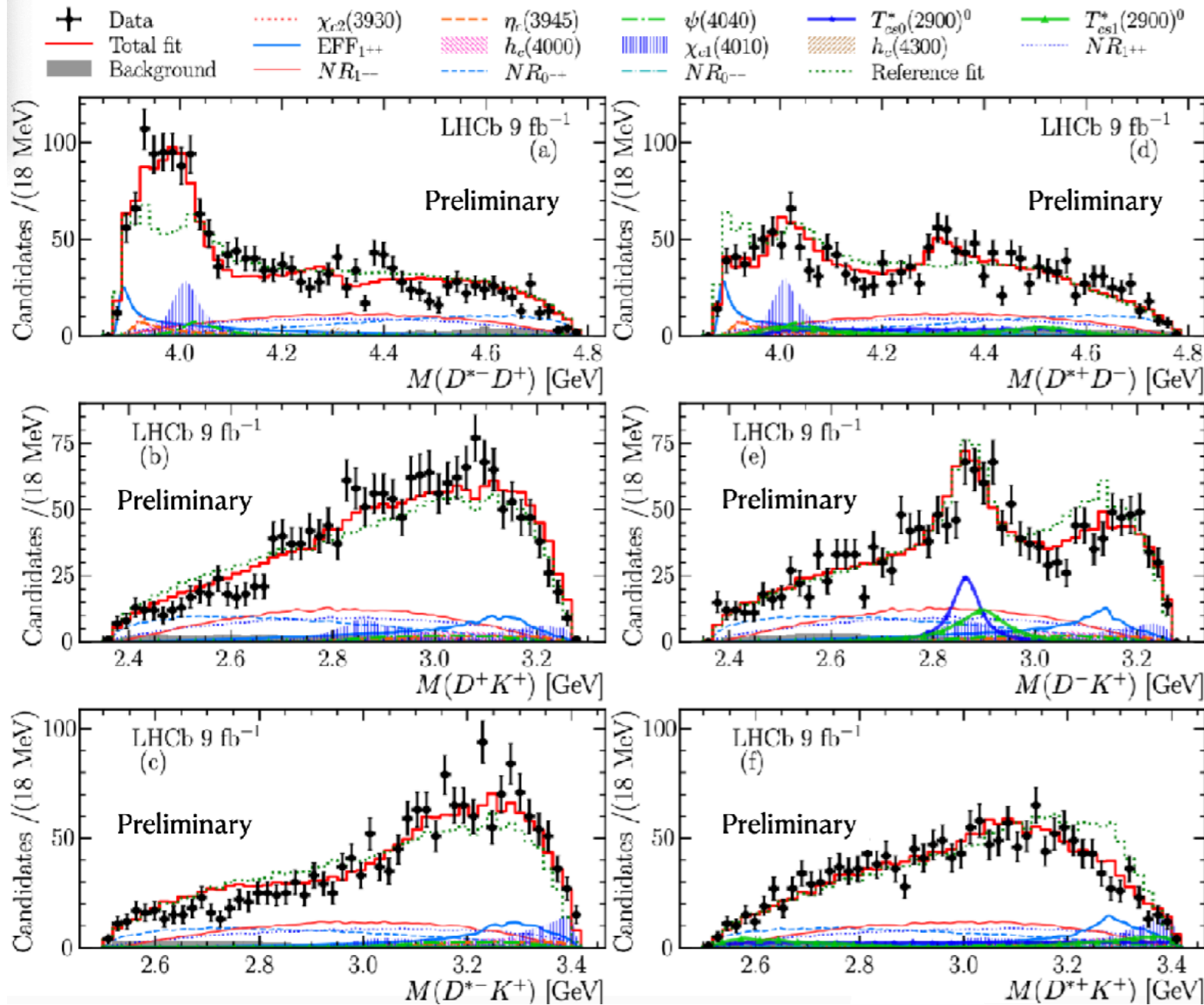
Figure 3: Difference between the  $M(D^*D)$  distributions of the two channels ( $B^+ \rightarrow D^{*+}D^-K^+$  and  $B^+ \rightarrow D^{*-}D^+K^+$ ). Only interference between states with the same  $J^P$  but different  $C$ -parities, and reflections from  $T_{cs0,1}^*(2900)^0$  resonances, have significant contributions. The reference fit where  $h_c(4000)$ ,  $\chi_{c1}(4010)$  and  $h_c(4300)$  are not included is shown as green dashed line.



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$\eta_c(3945)$ ,  $h_c(4000)$ ,  $\chi_{c1}(4010)$  and  $h_c(4300)$   
 $JPC$  equal to  $0^{-+}$ ,  $1^{+-}$ ,  $1^{++}$  and  $1^{+-}$

Property	This work	Previous work
$T_{cs0}^*(2900)^0$ mass (MeV)	$2914 \pm 11 \pm 15$	$2866 \pm 7$
$T_{cs0}^*(2900)^0$ width (MeV)	$128 \pm 22 \pm 23$	$57 \pm 13$
$T_{cs1}^*(2900)^0$ mass (MeV)	$2887 \pm 8 \pm 6$	$2904 \pm 5$
$T_{cs1}^*(2900)^0$ width (MeV)	$92 \pm 16 \pm 16$	$110 \pm 12$
$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow T_{cs0}^*(2900)^0 D^{(*)+})$	$(4.5_{-0.8}^{+0.6} {}_{-1.0}^{+0.9} \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-5}$	$(1.2 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-5}$
$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow T_{cs1}^*(2900)^0 D^{(*)+})$	$(3.8_{-1.0}^{+0.7} {}_{-1.1}^{+1.6} \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-5}$	$(6.7 \pm 2.3) \times 10^{-5}$
$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow T_{cs0}^*(2900)^0 D^{(*)+})}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow T_{cs1}^*(2900)^0 D^{(*)+})}$	$1.17 \pm 0.31 \pm 0.48$	$0.18 \pm 0.05$

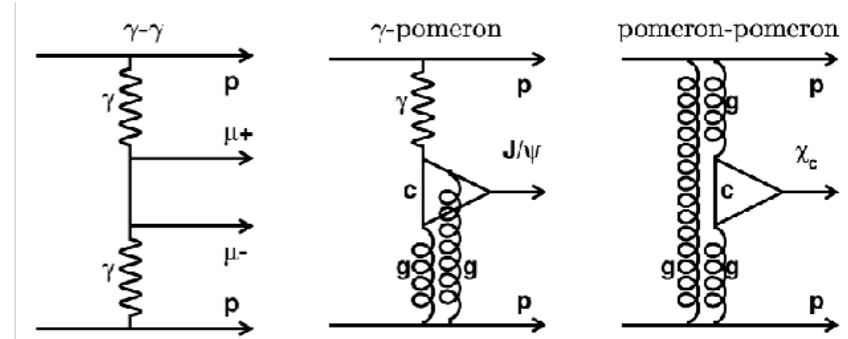
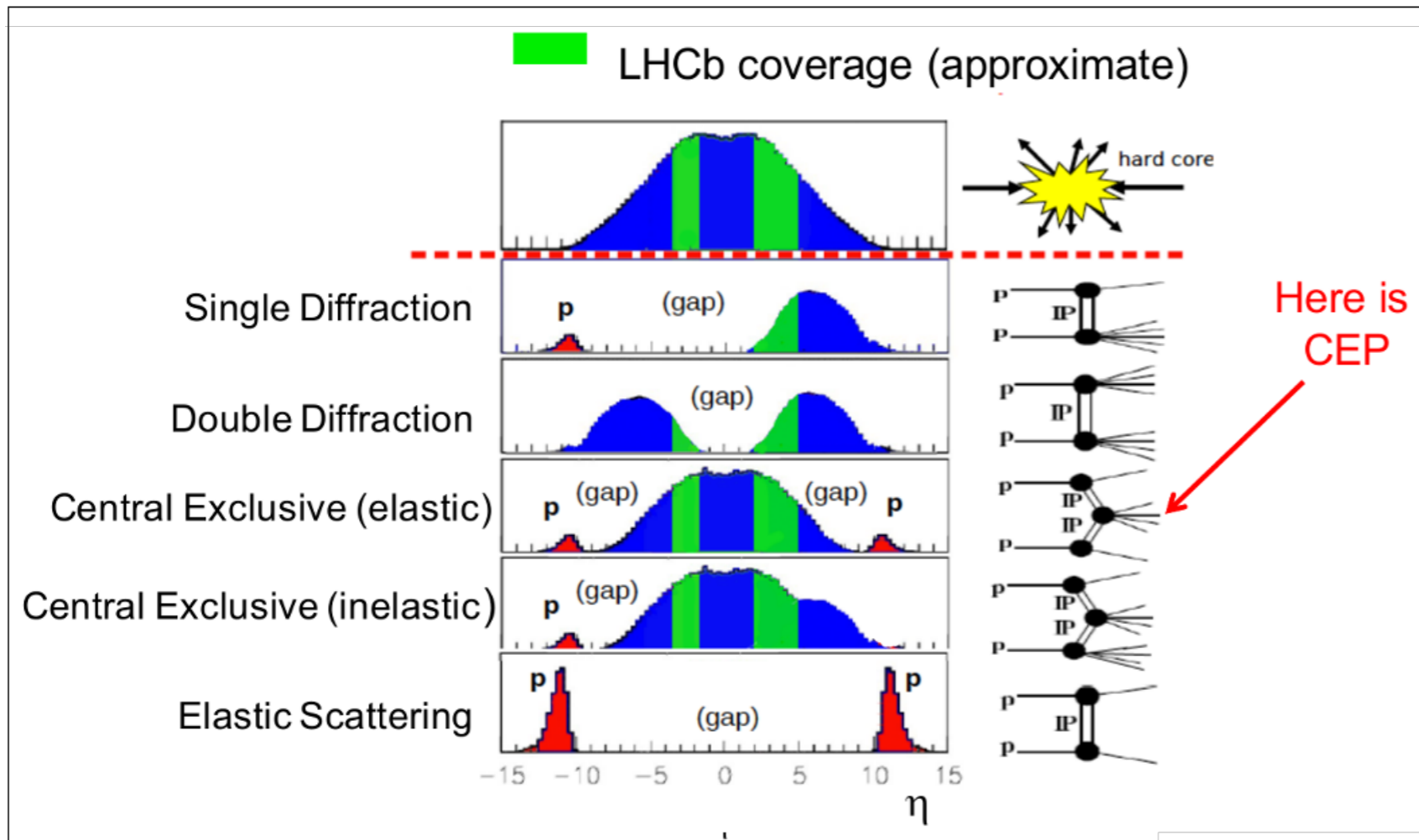
- Four charmonium(-like) states are observed: at least 3 are new
- Existence of 2 tetraquark resonances in  $D-K^+$  confirmed (different channel, already observed  $B^+ \rightarrow D^+ D^- K^+$ )

# Observation of exotic $J/\psi\Phi$ resonances in CEP



Preliminary  
PAPER-2023-043  
in preparation

- Central Exclusive Production can be done at LHCb  $\rightarrow$  What do we look for?
- $pp \rightarrow p + X + p$  (rapidity gaps and protons intact)
- Colourless objects in QCD, Very low  $P_T$  objects, Clean experimental environment
- Rich Physics: Photon-Pomeron, Double-Pomeron, Photoproduction, Glueballs, Exotica

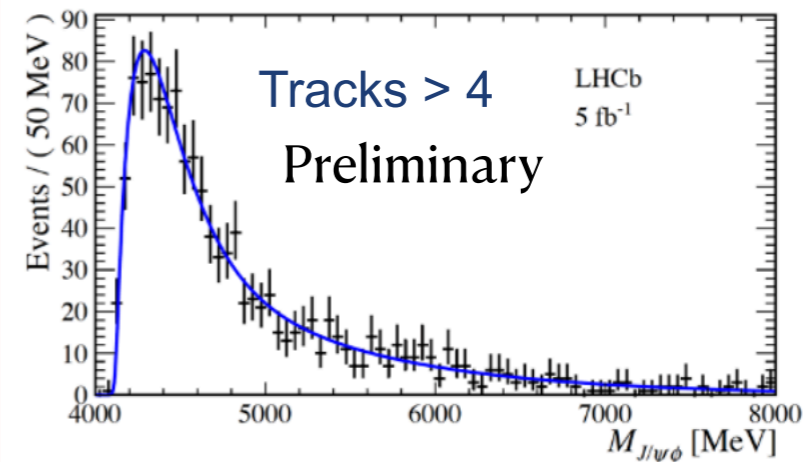
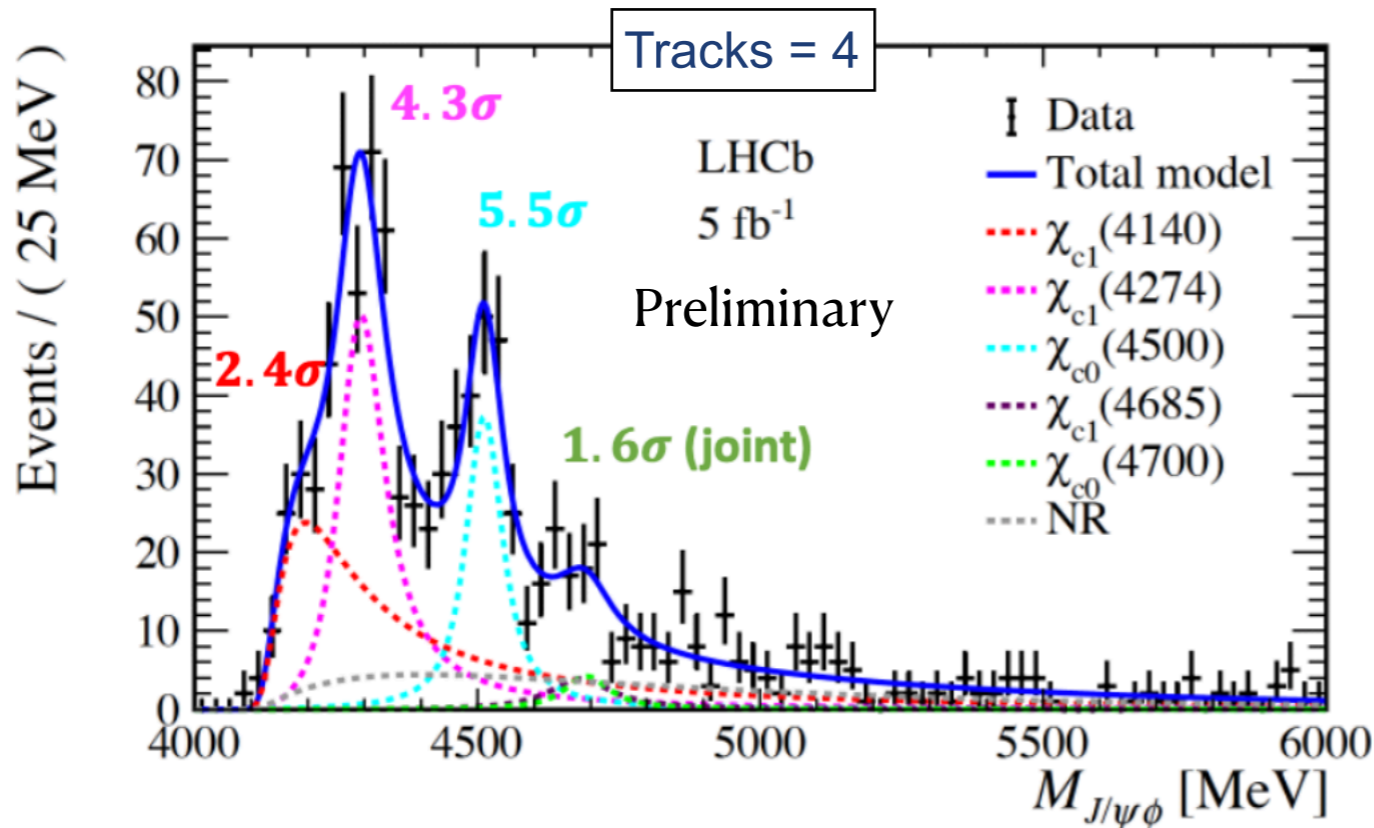
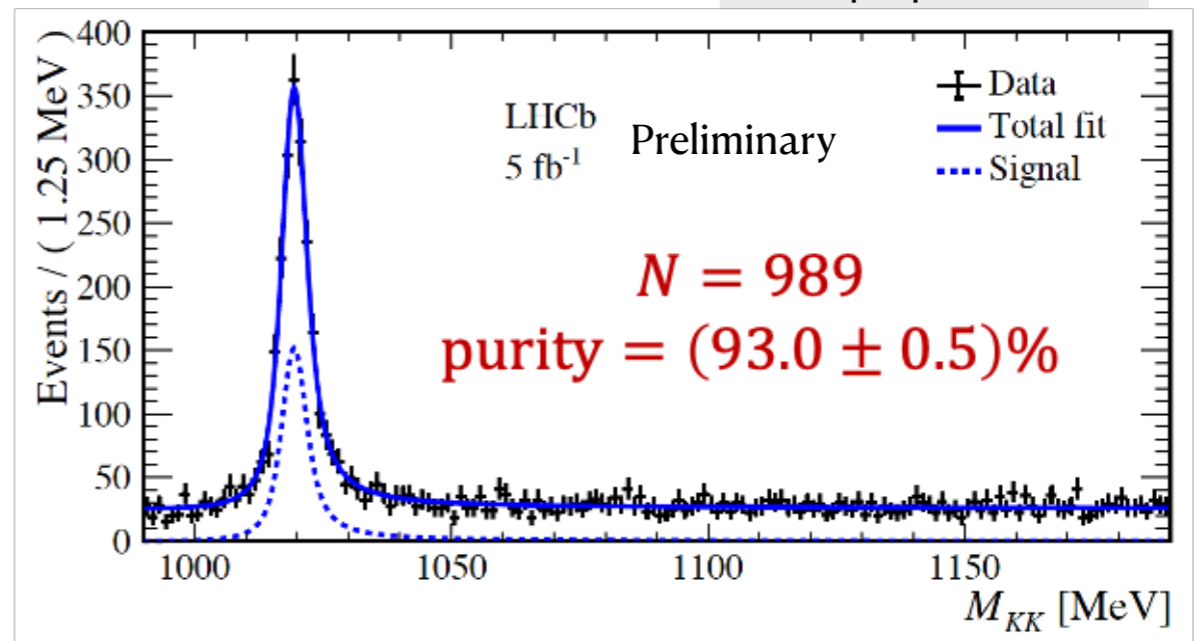
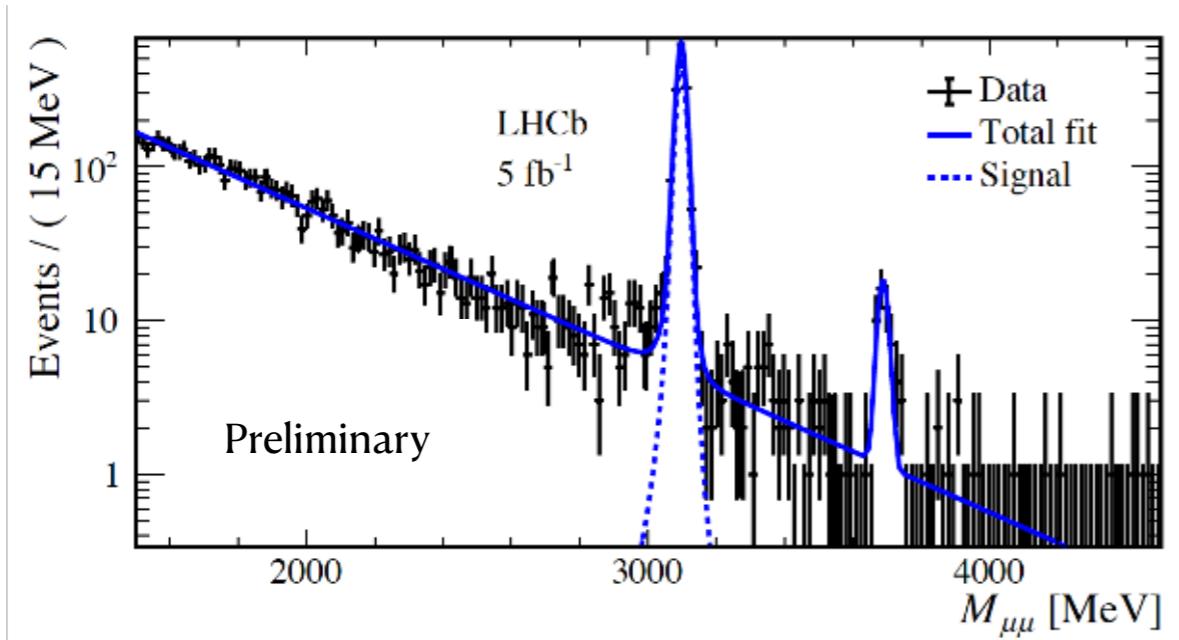


- ✓ Experimentally clean even @LHC
- ✓ Spin-parity option narrowed down
- ✗ Much smaller rate

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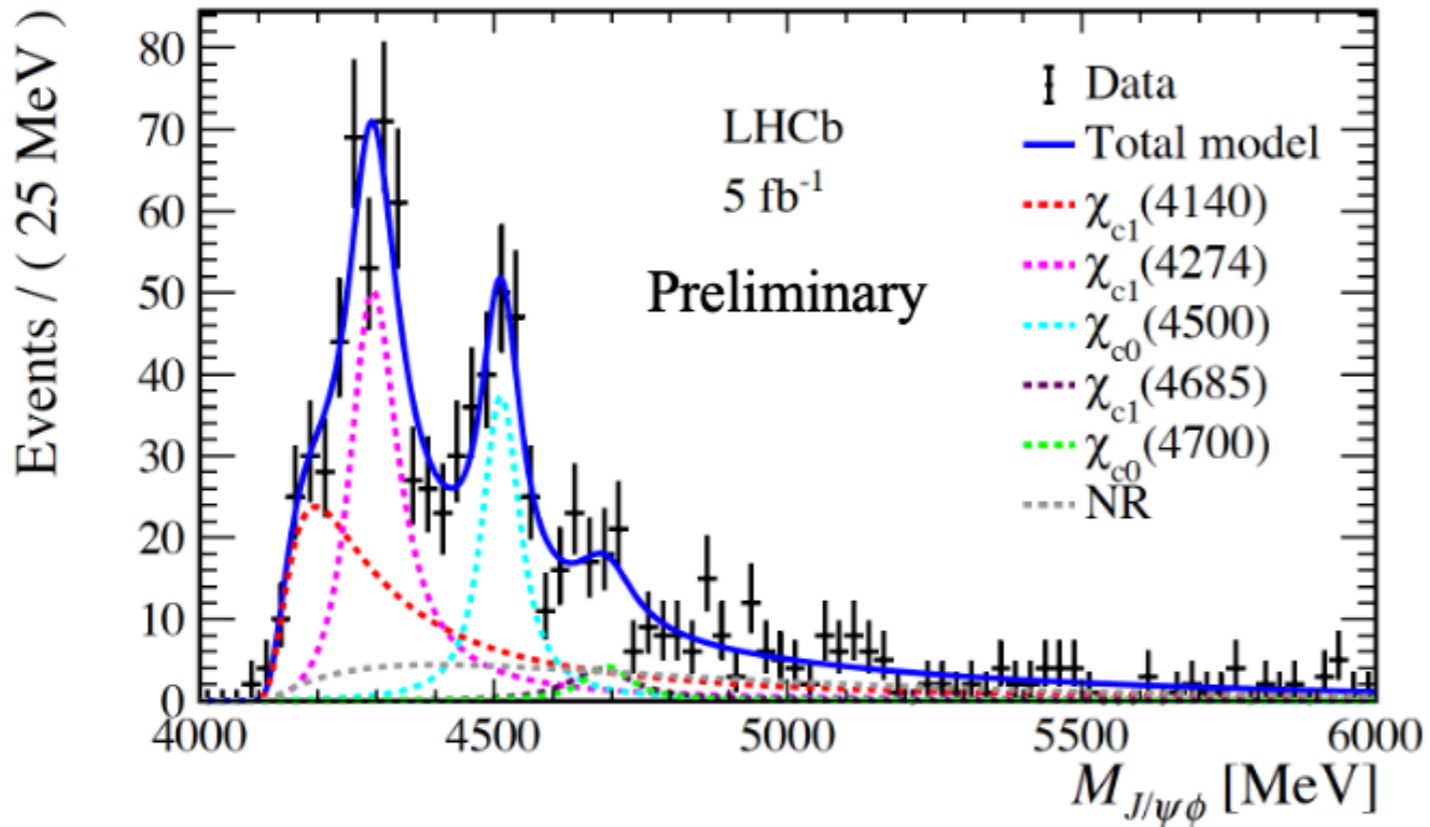




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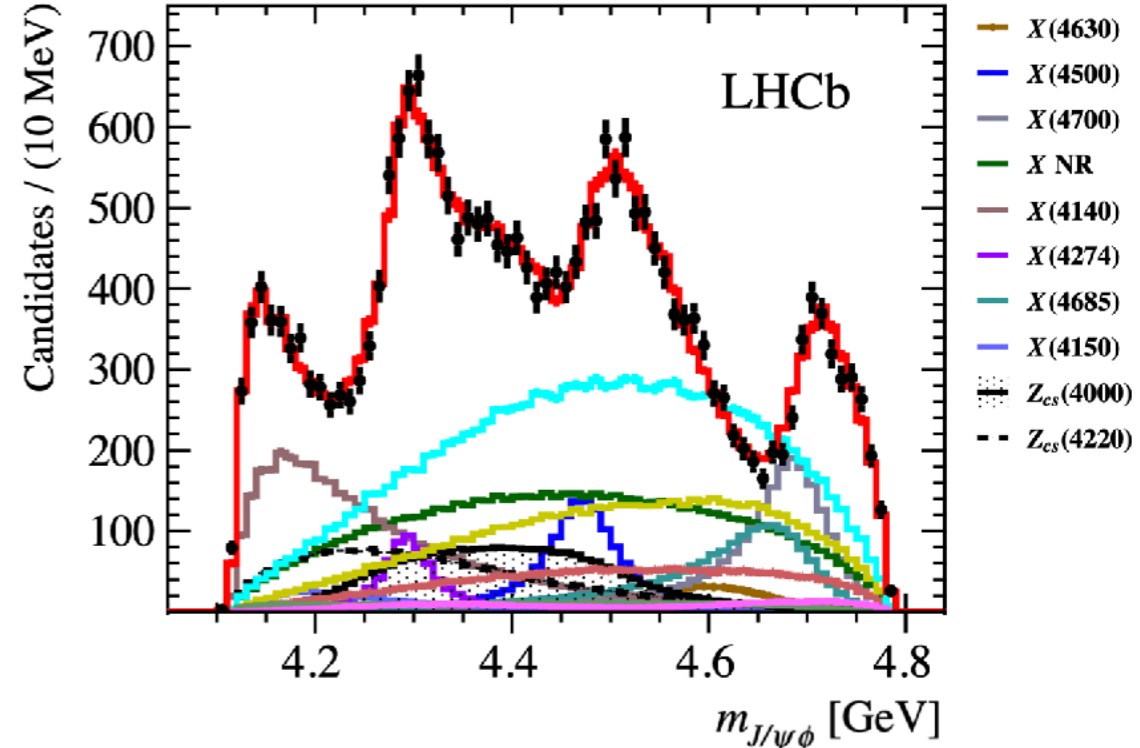
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Mass & width measurement  
slightly higher mass of X(4500)

Parameter (MeV)	This Letter	Ref. [12]
$M_{\chi_{c1}(4274)}$	$4298 \pm 6 \pm 9$	$4294 \pm 4_{-6}^{+3}$
$\Gamma_{\chi_{c1}(4274)}$	$92_{-18}^{+22} \pm 57$	$53 \pm 5 \pm 5$
$M_{\chi_{c0}(4500)}$	$4512.5_{-6.2}^{+6.0} \pm 3.0$	$4474 \pm 3 \pm 3$
$\Gamma_{\chi_{c0}(4500)}$	$65_{-16}^{+20} \pm 32$	$77 \pm 6_{-8}^{+10}$

[PRL 127 (2021) 082001]  
Zoomed version of the spectrum  
from tetraquark original paper



Cross-section measurement

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\chi_{c1}(4140)} \times \mathcal{B}_{\text{eff}}^{\chi_{c1}(4140)} &= (0.85 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.30) \text{ pb}, \\ \sigma_{\chi_{c1}(4274)} \times \mathcal{B}_{\text{eff}}^{\chi_{c1}(4274)} &= (0.77_{-0.13}^{+0.14} \pm 0.18) \text{ pb}, \\ \sigma_{\chi_{c0}(4500)} \times \mathcal{B}_{\text{eff}}^{\chi_{c0}(4500)} &= (0.44_{-0.08}^{+0.09} \pm 0.07) \text{ pb}, \\ \sigma_{\chi_{c1}(4685)+\chi_{c0}(4700)} \times \mathcal{B}_{\text{eff}}^{\chi_{c1}(4685)+\chi_{c0}(4700)} &= (0.14_{-0.06}^{+0.07} \pm 0.06) \text{ pb}, \\ \sigma_{NR} \times \mathcal{B}_{\text{eff}}^{NR} &= (0.46_{-0.19}^{+0.25} \pm 0.21) \text{ pb}, \end{aligned}$$

**First exotic measurement in CEP**

# Search for Pc in open charm modes

arXiv: 2404.07131  
submitted to PRD

- Inclusive search performed using 5.7 fb<sup>-1</sup> data from 2016-2018
- Reconstruction of several different modes & combinations:
  - $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+, D^- \rightarrow K^+\pi^-\pi^-, D^0 \rightarrow K\pi$
  - $\Sigma_c^{++(0)} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+\pi^{+(-)}, D^{(*-)} \rightarrow D^{(-0)}\pi^-$

hidden-charm pentaquarks

doubly-charmed pentaquarks & excited  $\Xi_{cc}$

Hadron 1	Hadron 2	Charge	$I_3$	$Y$	$C$	Limit Set	Hadron 1	Hadron 2	Charge	$I_3$	$Y$	$C$	Limit Set
$\Lambda_c^+$	$\bar{D}^0$	+1	1/2	1	0	✓	$\Lambda_c^+$	$D^0$	+1	-1/2	3	2	✓
$\Lambda_c^+$	$D^-$	0	-1/2	1	0	✓	$\Lambda_c^+$	$D^+$	+2	1/2	3	2	✓
$\Lambda_c^+$	$D^{*-}$	0	-1/2	1	0	✓	$\Lambda_c^+$	$D^{*+}$	+2	1/2	3	2	✓
$\Sigma_c^{++}$	$\bar{D}^0$	+2	3/2	1	0	✓	$\Sigma_c^{++}$	$D^0$	+2	1/2	3	2	×
$\Sigma_c^{++}$	$D^-$	+1	1/2	1	0	✓	$\Sigma_c^{++}$	$D^+$	+3	3/2	3	2	×
$\Sigma_c^{++}$	$D^{*-}$	+1	1/2	1	0	×	$\Sigma_c^{++}$	$D^{*+}$	+3	3/2	3	2	×
$\Sigma_c^0$	$\bar{D}^0$	0	-1/2	1	0	✓	$\Sigma_c^0$	$D^0$	0	-3/2	3	2	×
$\Sigma_c^0$	$D^-$	-1	-3/2	1	0	✓	$\Sigma_c^0$	$D^+$	+1	-1/2	3	2	×
$\Sigma_c^0$	$D^{*-}$	-1	-3/2	1	0	×	$\Sigma_c^0$	$D^{*+}$	+1	-1/2	3	2	×
$\Sigma_c^{*++}$	$\bar{D}^0$	+2	3/2	1	0	✓	$\Sigma_c^{*++}$	$D^0$	+2	1/2	3	2	✓
$\Sigma_c^{*++}$	$D^-$	+1	1/2	1	0	✓	$\Sigma_c^{*++}$	$D^+$	+3	3/2	3	2	✓
$\Sigma_c^{*++}$	$D^{*-}$	+1	1/2	1	0	✓	$\Sigma_c^{*++}$	$D^{*+}$	+3	3/2	3	2	×
$\Sigma_c^{*0}$	$\bar{D}^0$	0	-1/2	1	0	✓	$\Sigma_c^{*0}$	$D^0$	0	-3/2	3	2	✓
$\Sigma_c^{*0}$	$D^-$	-1	-3/2	1	0	✓	$\Sigma_c^{*0}$	$D^+$	+1	-1/2	3	2	✓
$\Sigma_c^{*0}$	$D^{*-}$	-1	-3/2	1	0	✓	$\Sigma_c^{*0}$	$D^{*+}$	+1	-1/2	3	2	×

10 modes too statistically limited to set up upper limits

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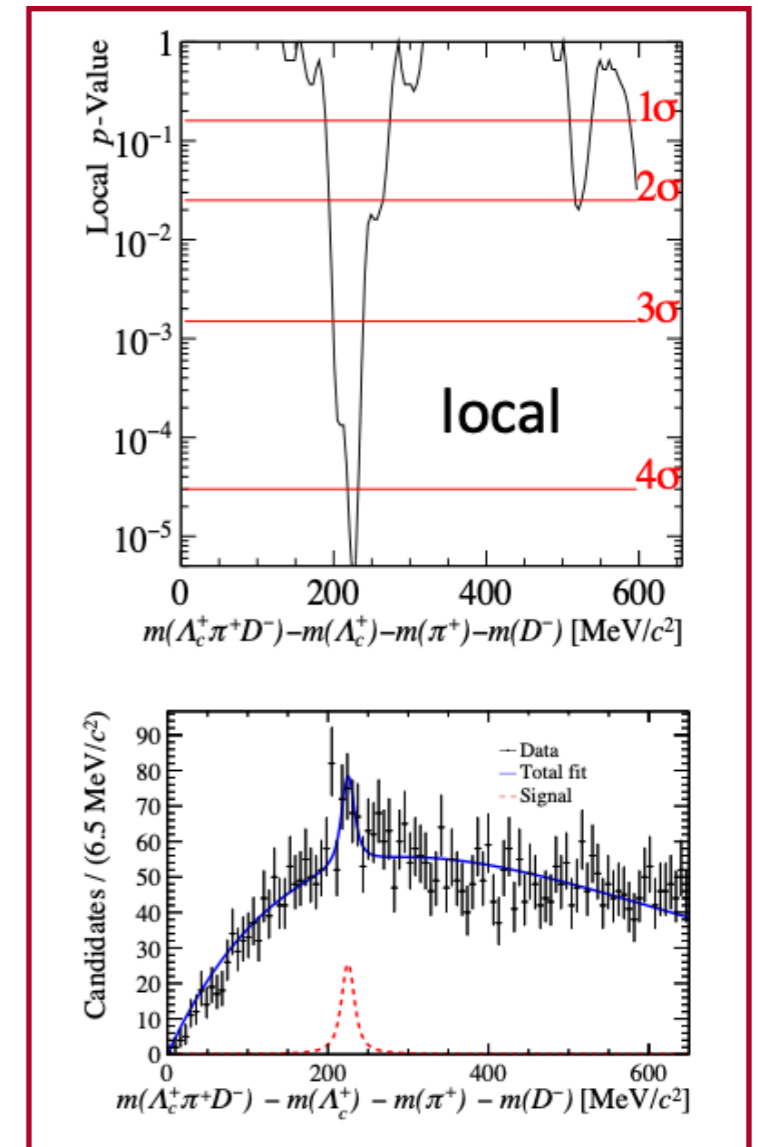
- Every combination investigated (complete list in the paper)
- No significant signal found
- Upper Limits set for all combinations

$$R = \frac{N_{P_c}}{N_{\Lambda_c^+}} \times \frac{\varepsilon_{\Lambda_c^+}}{\varepsilon_{P_c}} \rightarrow \frac{\sigma(P_c) \times \mathcal{B}(P_c \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ D(\pi)) \times \mathcal{B}(D)}{\sigma(\Lambda_c^+)}$$

Decay Mode	Width (MeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	Significance ( $\sigma$ )		Q-value (MeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	Signal Yield	UL ( $\times 10^{-3}$ )	
		Local	Corrected			90% CL	95% CL
$\Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ D^-$	0	3.59	2.21	225	$41.6 \pm 12.6$	3.95	4.19
	5	4.01	2.89	225	$64.7 \pm 17.4$	4.43	4.69
	10	4.30	3.32	225	$87.1 \pm 21.6$	4.64	4.85
	15	4.50	3.62	225	$108.2 \pm 25.3$	4.72	4.90
$\Lambda_c^+ \pi^- D^-$	0	3.36	1.90	257	$38.1 \pm 12.4$	4.28	4.56
	5	3.86	2.71	253	$62.1 \pm 17.1$	4.62	4.83
	10	4.18	3.20	249	$83.7 \pm 21.2$	4.72	4.88
	15	4.44	3.56	249	$103.5 \pm 24.6$	4.77	4.92
$\Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ \bar{D}^0$	0	3.18	1.58	245	$41.9 \pm 13.7$	2.87	3.06
	5	3.73	2.53	245	$67.6 \pm 19.2$	3.22	3.35
	10	4.06	3.06	245	$91.6 \pm 24.1$	3.29	3.39
	15	4.30	3.42	245	$115.0 \pm 28.5$	3.30	3.40

- Pseudo-experiments indicate average number of channels fluctuate above  $3\sigma$  is  $7 \pm 5$ , so we conclude the results are consistent with background-only
- Known Pc states tested and yields all agree with zero

$P_c(4312)^+$	$M = 4311.9 \text{ MeV}, \Gamma = 10 \text{ MeV}$
$P_c(4440)^+$	$M = 4440 \text{ MeV}, \Gamma = 21 \text{ MeV}$
$P_c(4457)^+$	$M = 4457.3 \text{ MeV}, \Gamma = 6.4 \text{ MeV}$



$c\bar{c}uud$   
 $M \sim 4520.69 \text{ MeV}$





Selected results by  
**CMS**

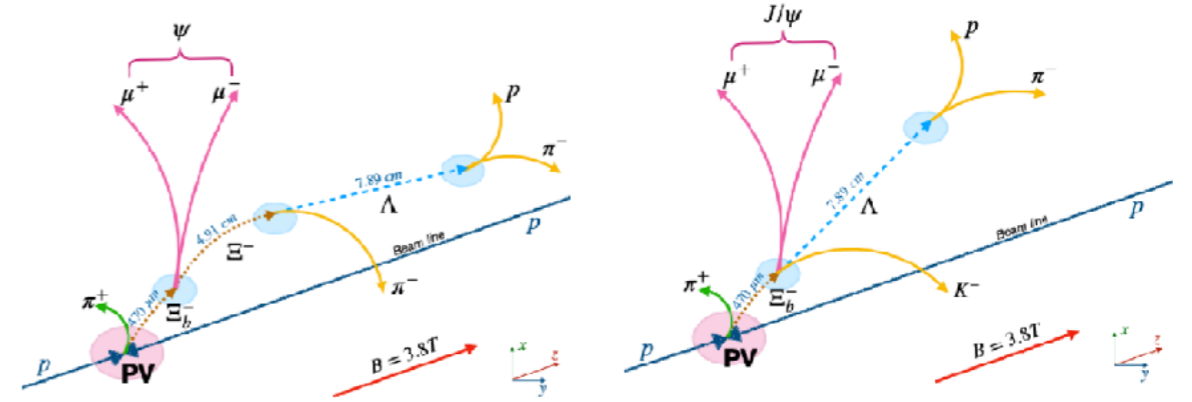
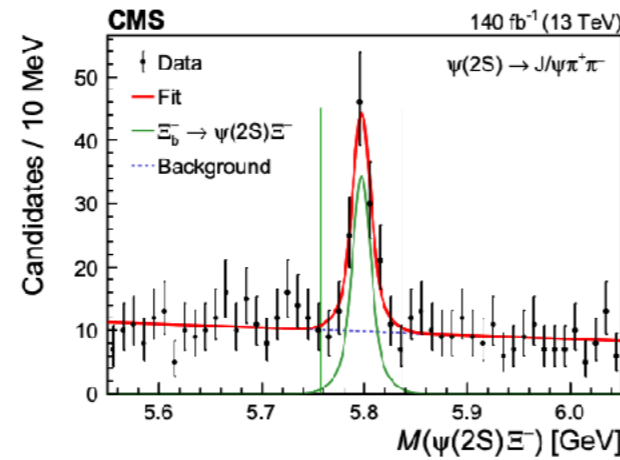
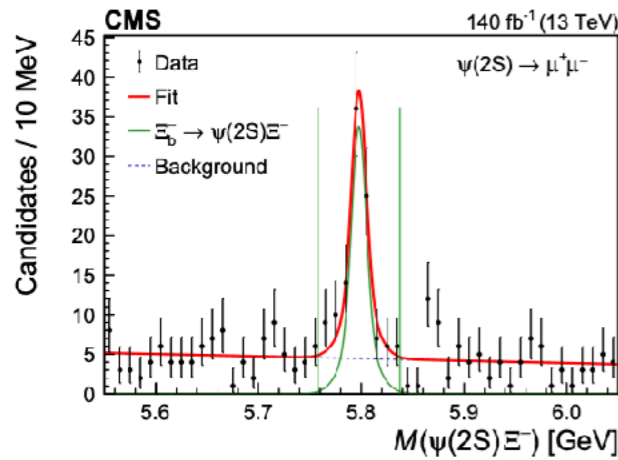
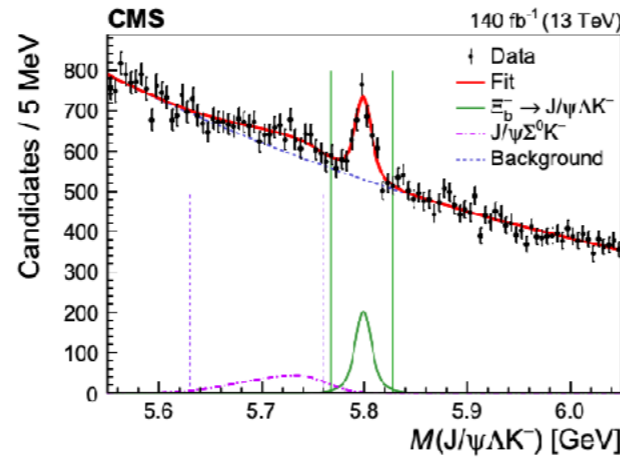
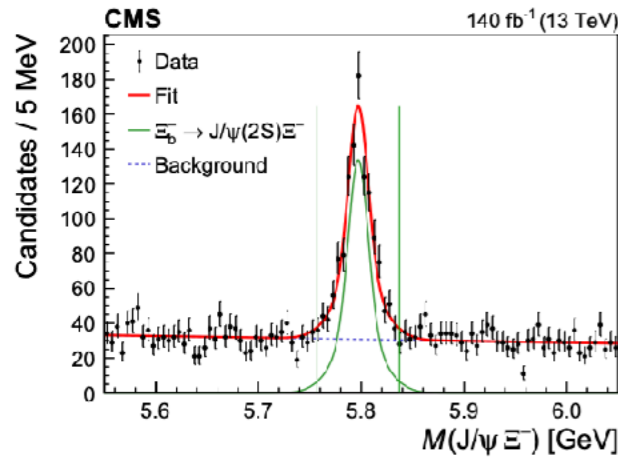


# $\Xi_b^- \rightarrow \Psi(2S)\Xi^-$ and $\Xi_b^{*0} \rightarrow \Xi_b^- \pi^+$

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in Phys. Rev. D  
CMS-BPH-23-002  
CERN-EP-2024-038

- Integrated luminosity of  $140 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Muon final states and different final states (different topologies)
- Several measurements in one paper (BFs, Production and competitive mass measure)

Decay channel	$N$	$m_{\Xi_b^-}^{\text{fit}}$ (MeV)	$\sigma_{\text{eff}}$ (MeV)
$\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Xi^-$	$846 \pm 40$	$5797.1 \pm 0.6$	$16.3 \pm 1.0$
$\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda K^-$	$920 \pm 98$	$5798.8 \pm 0.9$	$11.9 \pm 1.5$
$\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Sigma^0 K^-$	$880 \pm 170$	—	—
$\Xi_b^- \rightarrow \psi(2S)\Xi^-$ (with $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ )	$74 \pm 11$	$5797.7 \pm 1.4$	$11.1 \pm 2.0$
$\Xi_b^- \rightarrow \psi(2S)\Xi^-$ (with $\psi(2S) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$ )	$90 \pm 14$	$5797.2 \pm 1.7$	$13.1 \pm 2.8$



$$R_{\Xi_b^{*0}} = \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_b^{*0} X) \mathcal{B}(\Xi_b^{*0} \rightarrow \Xi_b^- \pi^+)}{\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_b^- X)} = 0.23 \pm 0.04 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.02 (\text{syst})$$

$$R = \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_b^- \rightarrow \psi(2S)\Xi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Xi^-)} = 0.84_{-0.19}^{+0.21} (\text{stat}) \pm 0.10 (\text{syst}) \pm 0.02 (\mathcal{B})$$

$$M(\Xi_b^{*0}) = 5952.4 \pm 0.1 (\text{stat+syst}) \pm 0.6 (m_{\Xi_b^-}) \text{ MeV}$$

Thus, we can conclude that about a third of the  $\Xi_b^-$  baryons are produced from  $\Xi_b^{*0}$  decays

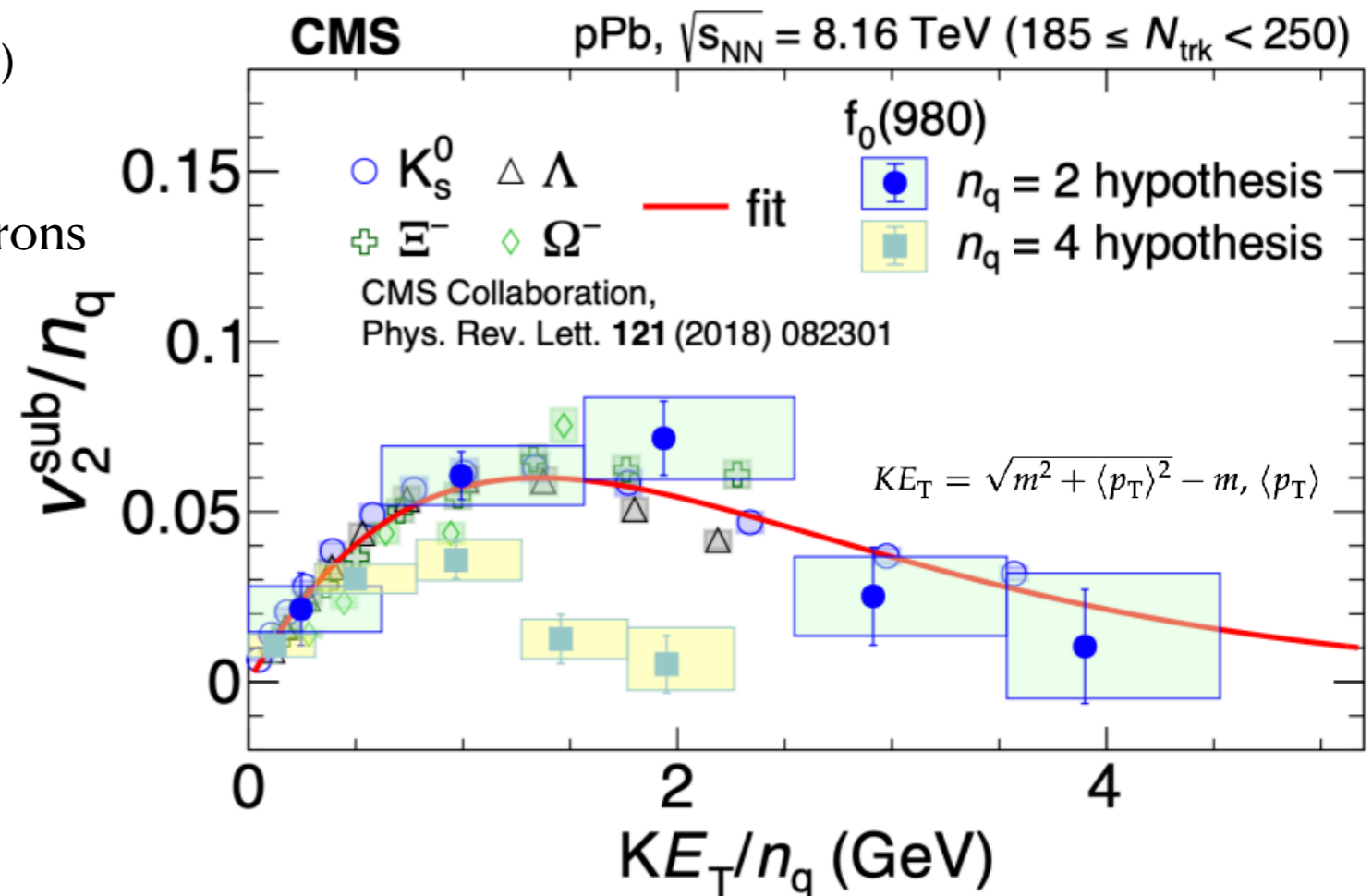
# $f_0(980)$ hadron in p-Pb collisions

Submitted to  
Nature Physics  
CMS-HIN-20-002  
CERN-EP-2023-294

- $f_0(980)$  hadron discovered half a century ago, but...
- Its quark content has not been settled:

- Ordinary meson  $q\bar{q}$  ?
- Tetraquark  $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$  ?
- Exotic state ?
- Kaon-Antikaon  $K\bar{K}$  molecule ?
- Glue  $q\bar{q}g$  hybrid ?

- Strong evidence that  $f_0(980)$  is an ordinary meson
- Inferred from scaling of elliptic anisotropies ( $v_2$ ) with the number of constituent quarks ( $n_q$ )
- Empirically established using conventional hadrons in relativistic heavy ion collisions
- Other hypothesis on exotic nature ruled out



The argument of the function,  $KE_T/n_q$ , is related to the kinetic energy per constituent quark





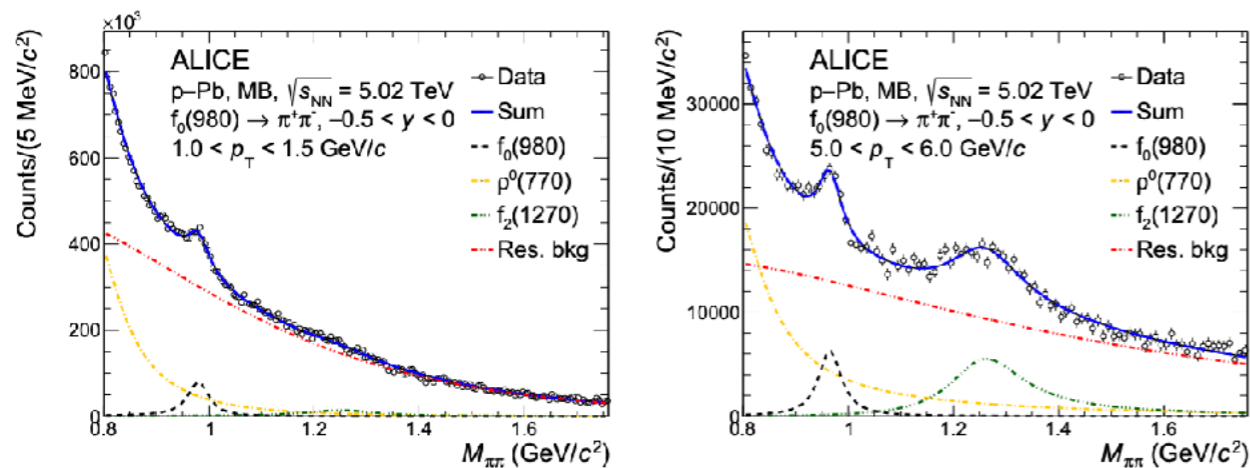
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# Suppression of $f_0(980)$ production in p-Pb collisions

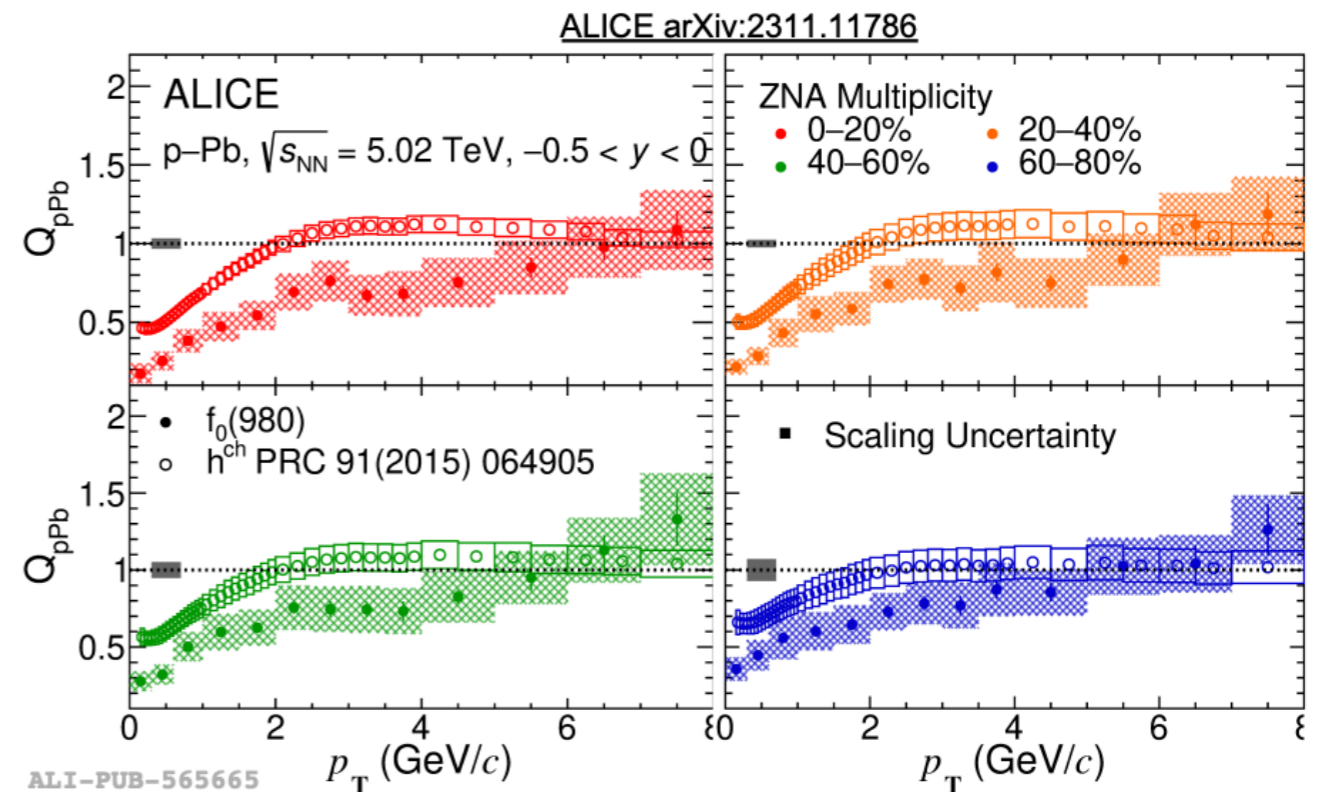
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- Similar study to CMS
- Nuclear modification factor  $Q_{pPb}$  of  $f_0(980)$  measured in various multiplicity ranges
- A lot of interesting results:
  - $f_0(980)$  nuclear modification factor is lower than unity: suppression
  - For  $p_T < 4 \text{ GeV}$ 
    - Lower than charged hadrons
    - Difference increases with multiplicity
    - Suppression of the  $f_0(980)/\pi$  and  $f_0(980)/K^*(892)^0$  depends on  $p_T$
- The results on the particle yield ratios may help to understand the nature of the internal structure of  $f_0(980)$  particle
- No enhancement at intermediate pt hints at 2-quark vs 4-quark structure



$$Q_{pPb} = \frac{d^2 N_{f_0(980)}^{pPb} / dp_T dy}{\langle T_{pPb} \rangle d^2 \sigma_{f_0(980)}^{pp} / dp_T dy}$$

Nuclear modification factor adapted to p-Pb collisions



Clear suppression of  $f_0$  nuclear modification factor production suggests impact of final state scattering and meson like structure

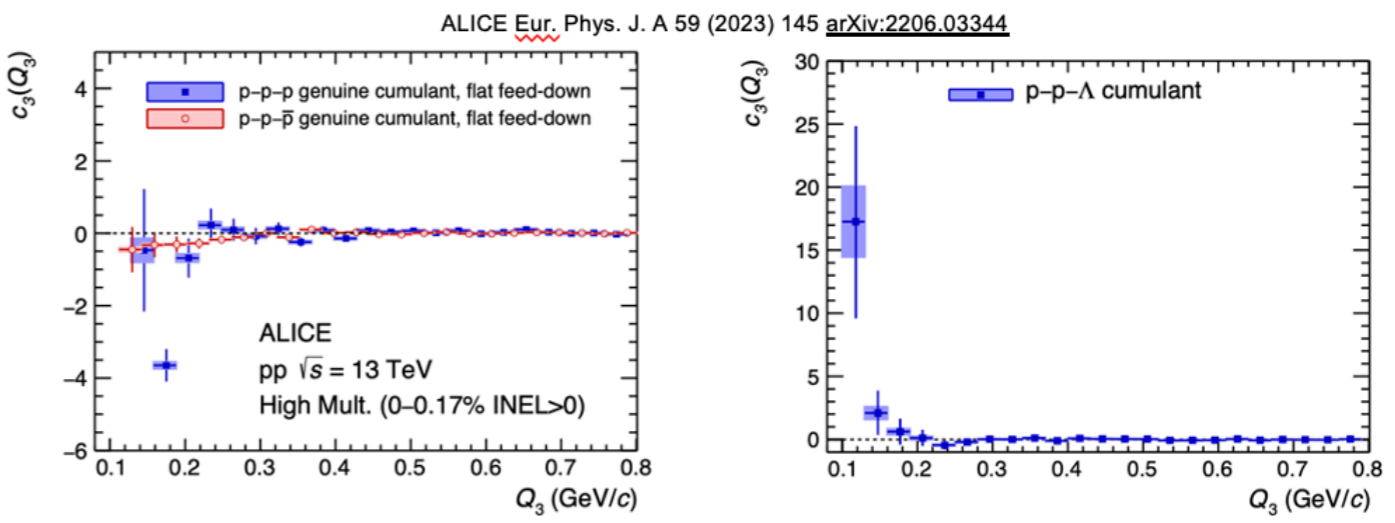
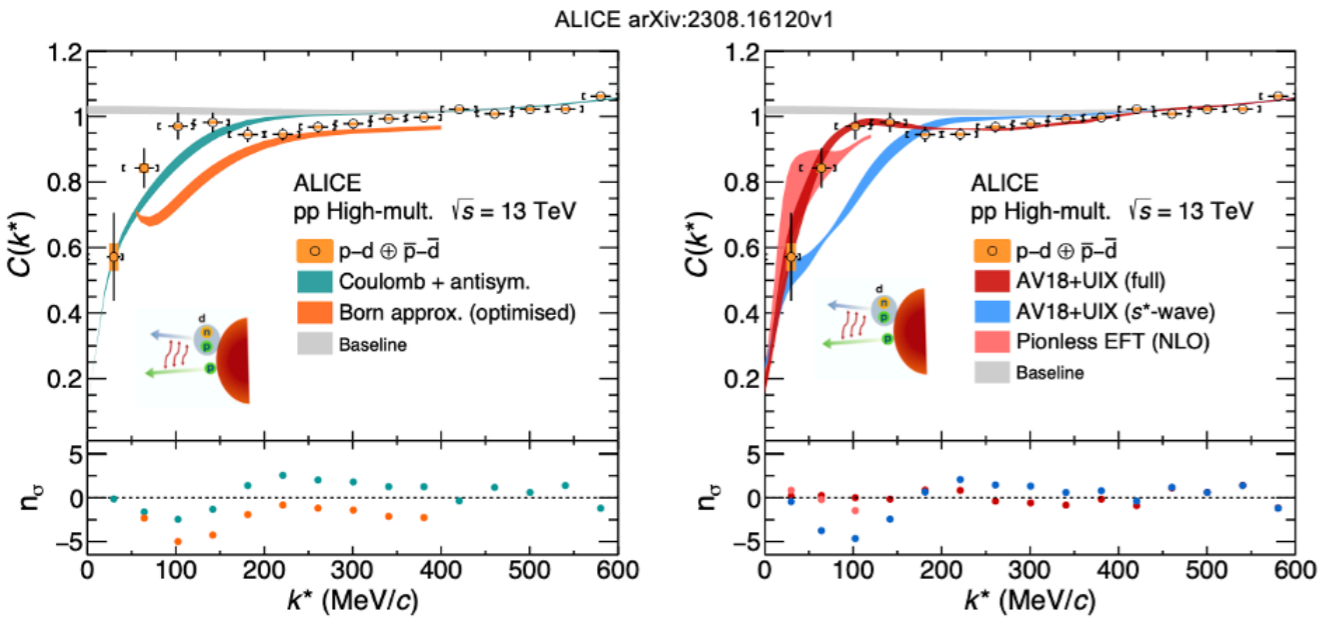
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Proton-deuteron correlations  
Distance comparable to the proton radius

$p - p - p/\bar{p}$  and  $p - p - \Lambda$



Non zero 3-particle cumulant hints for 3-body forces

Only a full 3-body calculation that accounts for the internal structure of the deuteron can explain the data (Av18+UIX full)

published results from Run 2



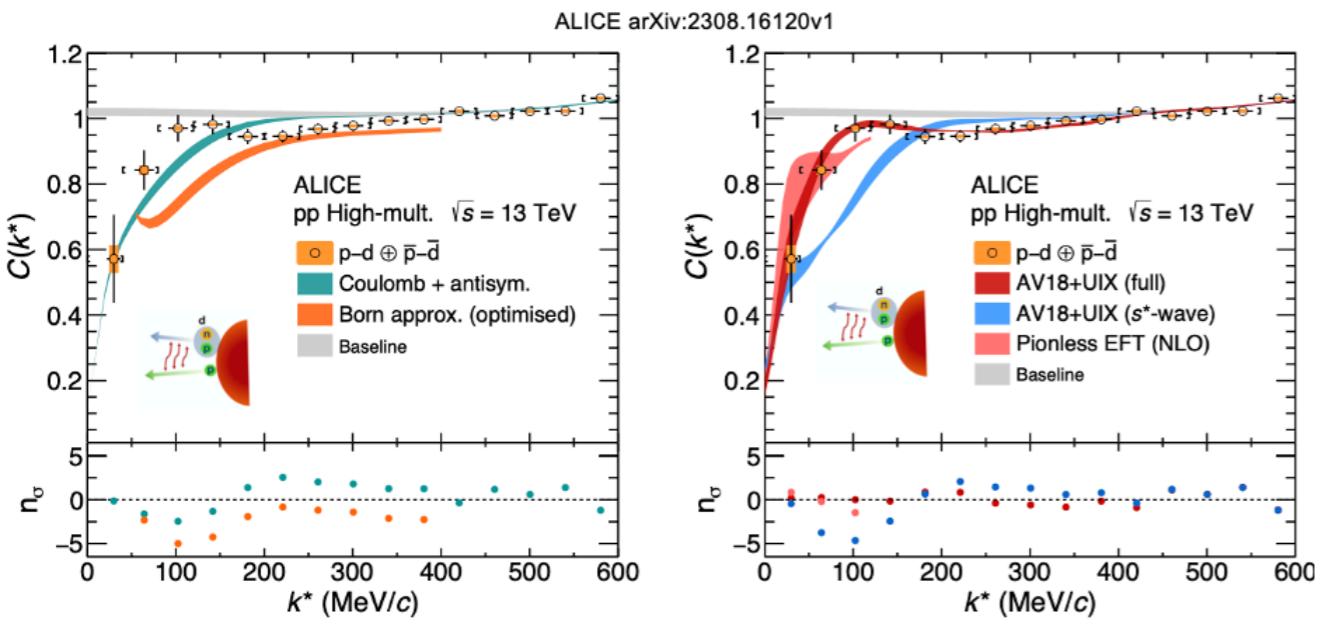
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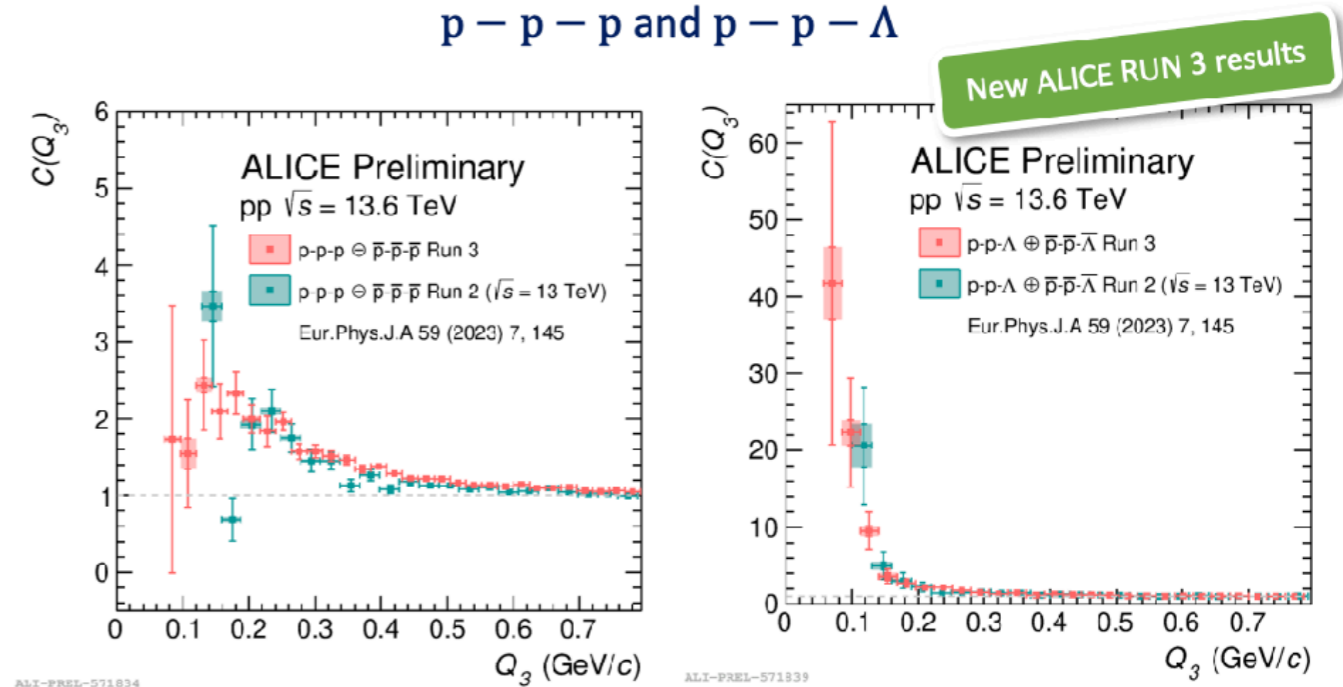
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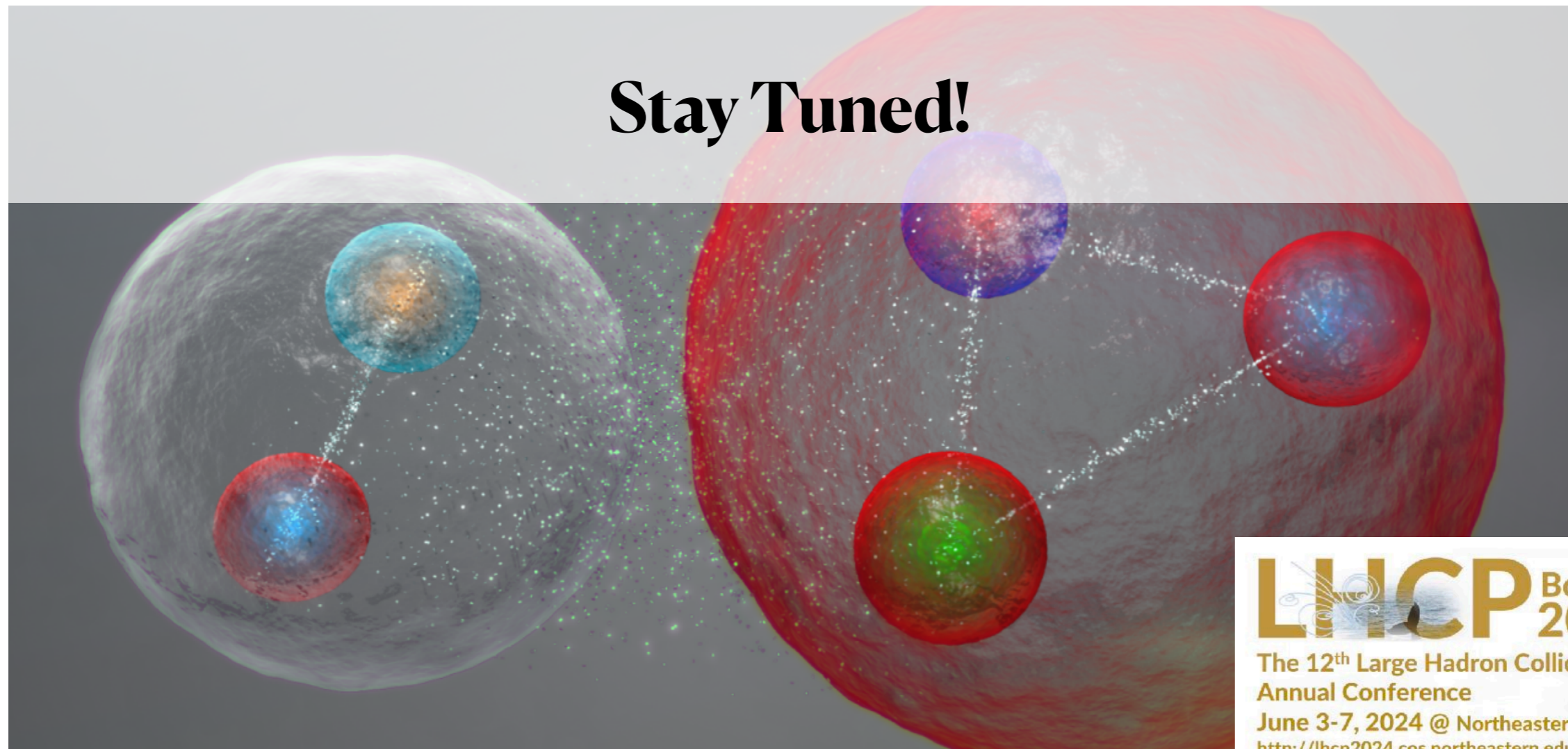


- First result for Run3
- Preliminaries results from RUN3
- Improvement in term of uncertainties
- Message is confirmed

# Conclusions

- LHC is a wonderful playground for hadrons physics!
- Unprecedented & probably unique opportunity for these type of studies
- Upgrade era started: higher statistics + access to states with lower production rates
- Summer conferences are just starting → plenty of new results expected!

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