

Exotic Spectroscopy at LHCb

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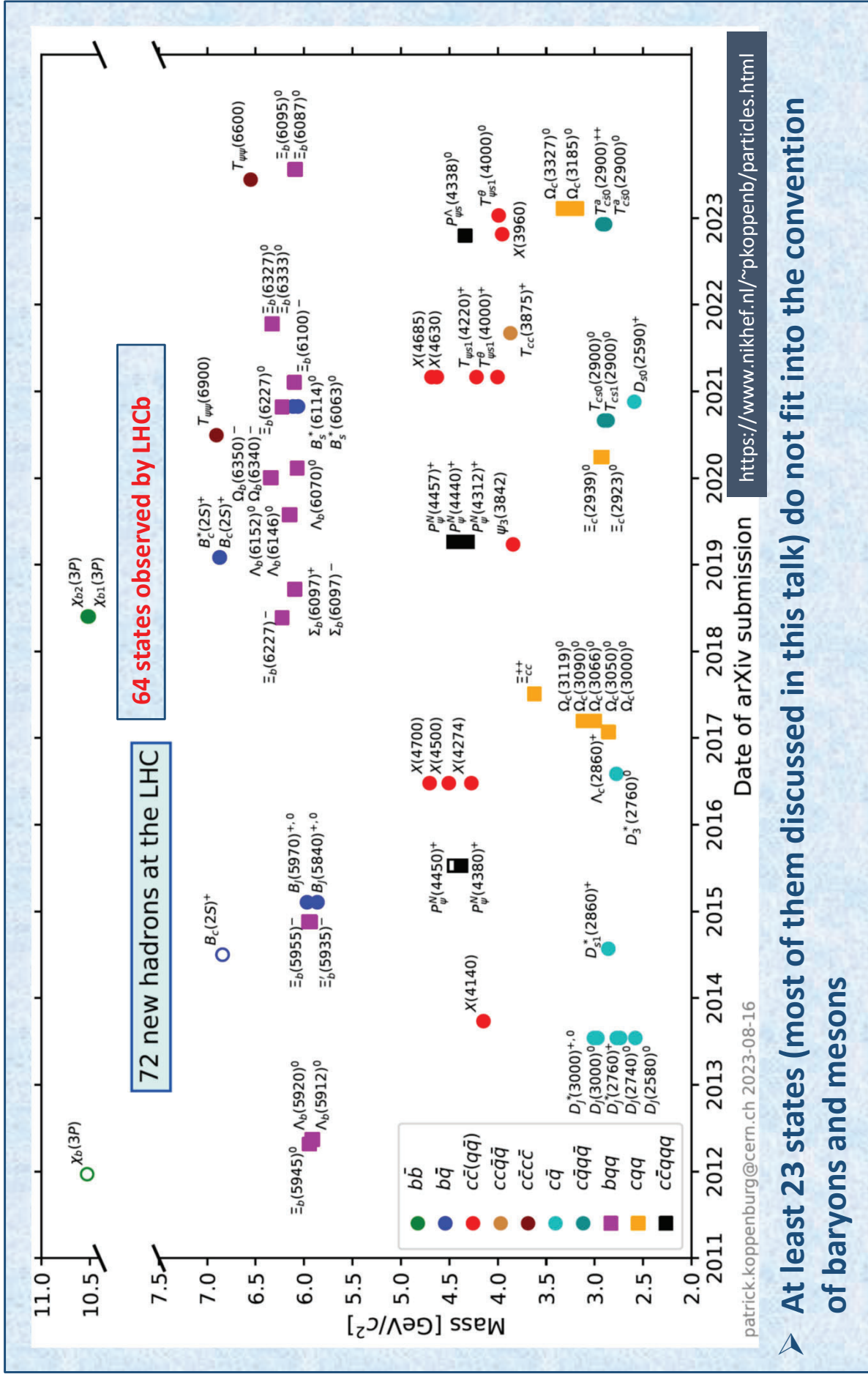
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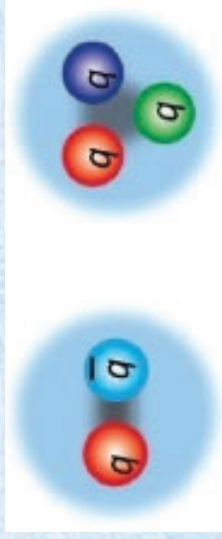
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1. (Very brief) introduction to the spectroscopy of hadron states
2. LHCb spectrometer - an excellent tool for heavy hadron spectroscopy
3. Candidates for pentaquarks
4. Candidates for tetraquarks



➤ **Standard states:**



A SCHEMATIC MODEL OF BARYONS AND MESONS

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California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California

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

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➤ **Exotic states:**

Pentaquark



H-dibaryon

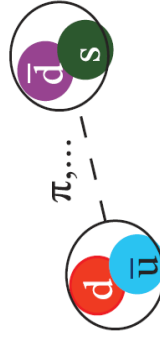


Tetraquark



diquark-diquark-antiquark

Molecule



diquark-diquark-diquark

Hybrid



diquark-diantiquark

Glueball



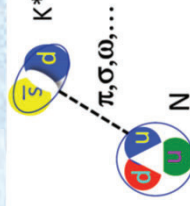
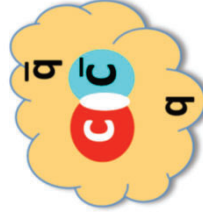
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but also:



meson-antimeson molecule

hadrocharmonium



meson-baryon molecule

adjoint charmonium



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

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

Run 1 & Run 2: 9 fb^{-1}
Run 3 started in 2023

Run	Years	Lum. [fb^{-1}]	\sqrt{s} [TeV]	σ_{bb} [μb]	σ_{cc} [μb]
1	2011-12	3.0	7,8	70	1400
2	2015-17	3.8	13	150	2400
2	2018	2.2	13		

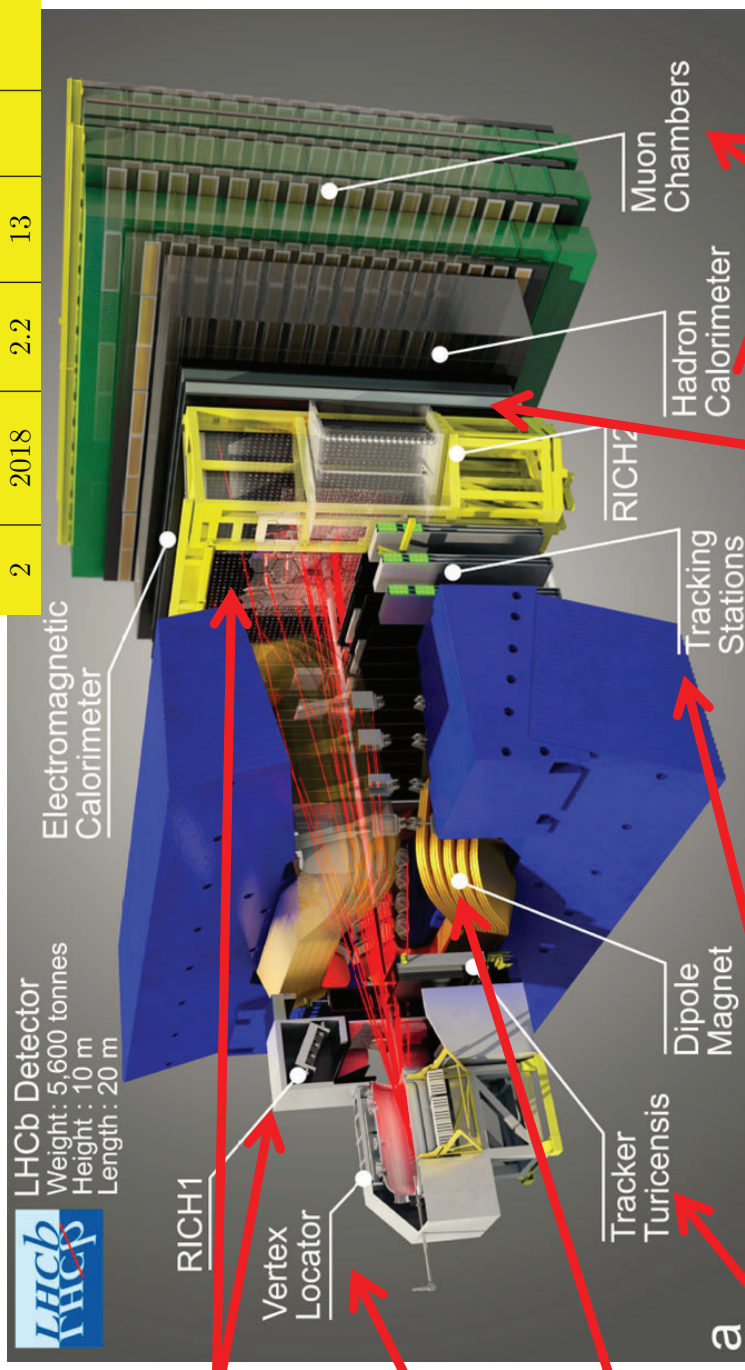
The geometry of forward spectrometer $2 < \eta < 5$

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

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

Dipole magnet:
Bending power: 4 Tm

Precise tracking system:
 $\epsilon(\text{trk}) \approx 96\%$
Momentum resolution:
 $\frac{\Delta p}{p} = 0.5\%$ $p = 5 \text{ GeV}/c$
1.0% $p = 200 \text{ GeV}/c$



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

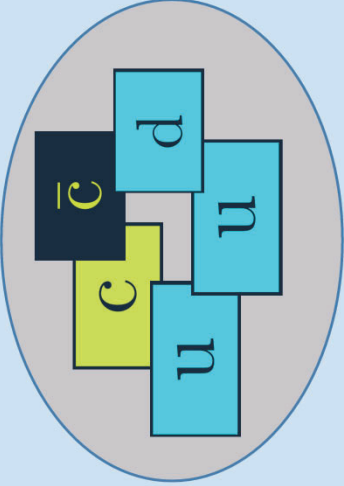
Muon system:
 $\epsilon(\mu \rightarrow \mu) \approx 97\%$
 $\epsilon(\pi \rightarrow \mu) \approx (1-3)\%$

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

Trigger:
Highly flexible, currently have “offline quality”

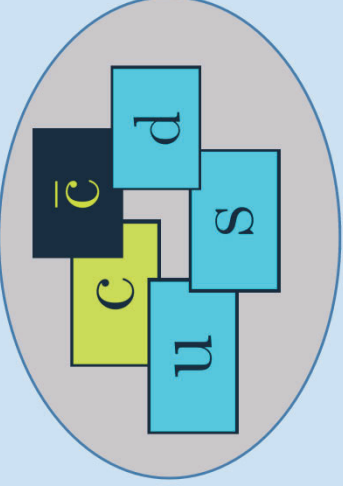
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IJMPA 30 (2015) 1530022

Pentaquarks



[J/ ψ p]

- $P_{\psi}^N(4457)^+$
- $P_{\psi}^N(4440)^+$
- $P_{\psi}^N(4312)^+$
- $P_{\psi}^N(4337)^+$



[J/ $\psi\Lambda$]

- $P_{\psi_s}^{\Lambda}(4459)^0$
- $P_{\psi_s}^{\Lambda}(4338)^0$

LHCb (2015-19): Study of the decay $\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi p K$

246000 events

- Observation of three narrow states in $m(J/\psi p)$ close to the thresholds: $[\Sigma_c^+ \bar{D}^0]$, $[\Sigma_c^+ \bar{D}^{*0}]$

State	Mass [MeV/c ²]	Width [MeV/c ²]	Signif [σ]
$P_\psi^N(4440)^+$	$4440.3 \pm 1.3_{-4.7}^{+4.1}$	$20.6 \pm 4.9_{-10.1}^{+8.7}$	5.4
$P_\psi^N(4457)^+$	$4457.3 \pm 0.6_{-1.7}^{+4.1}$	$6.4 \pm 2.0_{-1.9}^{+5.7}$	5.4
$P_\psi^N(4312)$	$4311.9 \pm 0.7_{-0.8}^{+6.8}$	$9.8 \pm 2.7_{-4.5}^{+3.7}$	7.3

- Amplitude analysis confirmed with the Legendre polynomial expansion approach

J^P not yet determined

PRL 115 (2015) 072001

- Quark content $[c\bar{c}uud] - P_\psi^N +$

PRL 117 (2016) 082002

PRL 122 (2019) 222001

LHCb (2019-22): Study of the Decay $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi p \bar{p}$

797 \pm 31 events

- Evidence for a structure in $[J/\psi p]$ and $[J/\psi \bar{p}]$
- Very close to the $[\Sigma_c^+ D^-]$ threshold

$$m[P_\psi^N(4337)^+] = (4337_{-4}^{+7+2}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

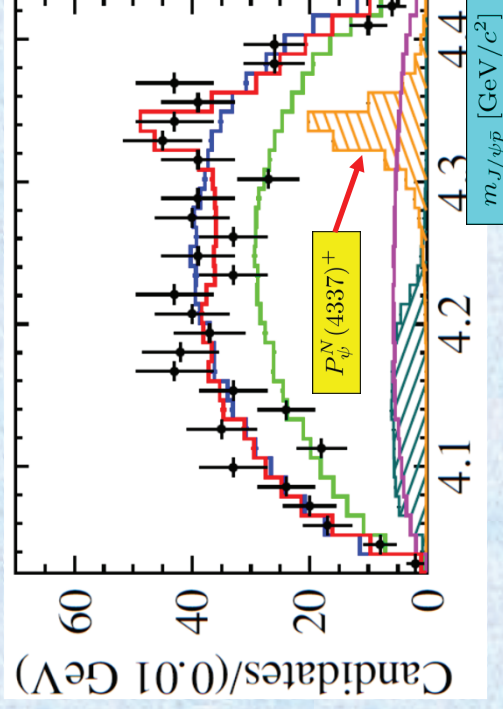
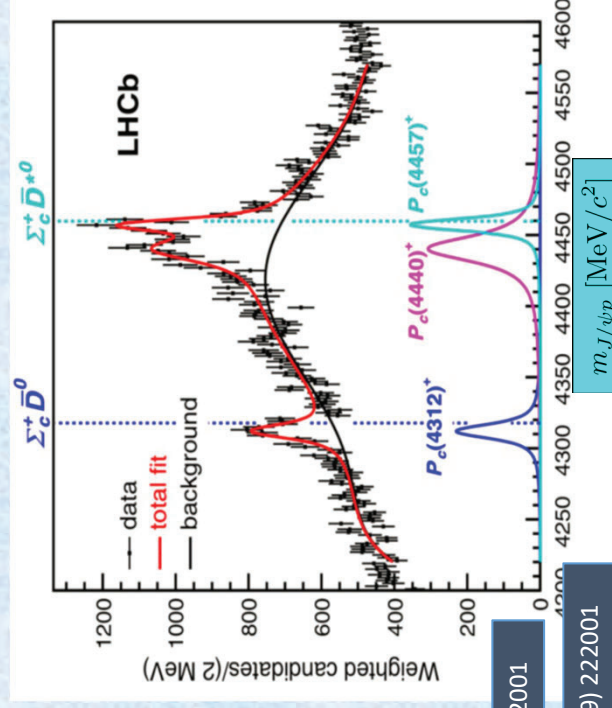
$$\Gamma[P_\psi^N(4337)^+] = (29_{-12}^{+26+14})_{-14} \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$J^P = \frac{1}{2}^+ \quad (3.7\sigma)$$

PRL 122 (2019) 191804

- Quark content $[c\bar{c}uud] - P_\psi^N +$

PRL 128 (2022) 062001

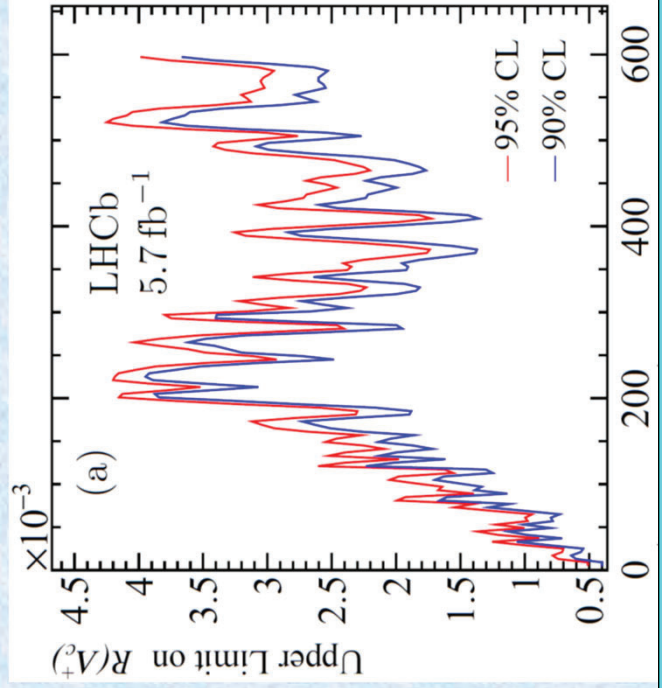


- **LHCb 2024:** Search for $[J/\psi p]$ pentaquark decays into a wide range of Σ_c , Λ_c^+ , and D combinations
- Out of 42 different modes; 32 modes tested

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

arXiv:2404.0713 [hep-ex]

(10 modes – insufficient statistics)



Upper Limit on $R(\Lambda_c^+)$ vs $m(\Lambda_c^+) - m(\pi^+) - m(D^-)$ [GeV/c²]

- Simultaneous fit to Σ_c/Λ_c^+ , and D signal and sidebands regions
- Scan of the mass in 4 MeV/c² steps in search for peaks
- Calculation of p-value
- No clear signal observed → mass dependent upper limits set w.r.t. the $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$ decay

$$R(\Lambda_c^+) = \frac{N_P}{N_{\Lambda_c^+}} \times \frac{\epsilon_{\Lambda_c^+}}{\epsilon_P}, \quad (P - \text{pentaquark})$$

- The upper limits at the level of 10⁻³

LHCb 2017-21: Amplitude analysis of $\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda K^-$ decays

1750 ± 50 events

Sci. Bull. 66(13) (2021) 1278

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Evidence for a new pentaquark with strangeness in $[J/\psi \Lambda] - 19 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ below the $[\Xi_c^0 D^{*0}]$ threshold

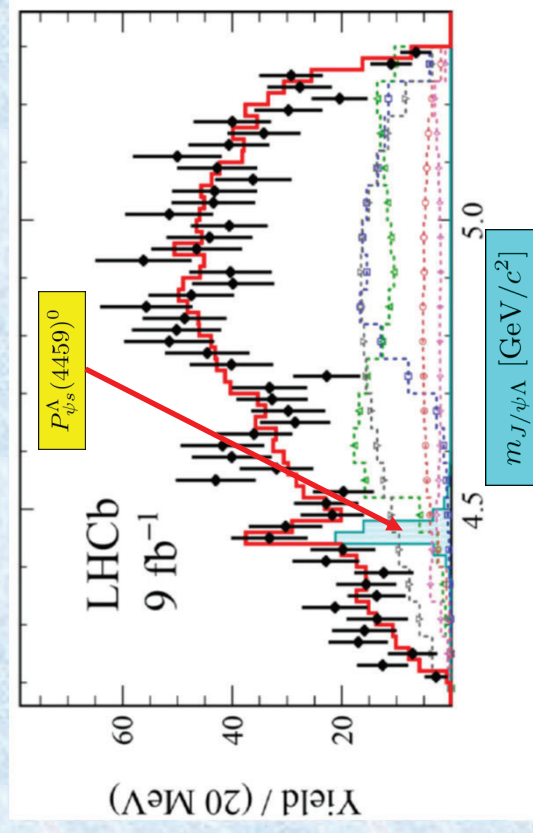
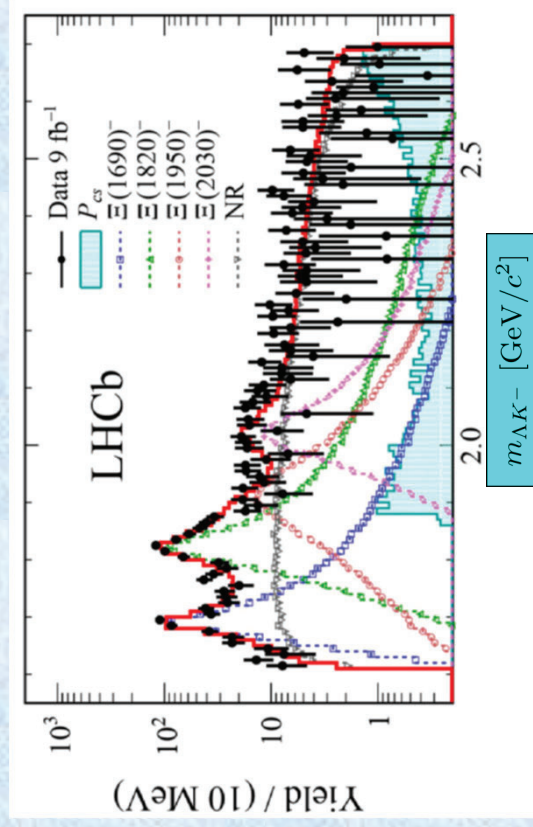
$$m[P_{\psi_s}^{\Lambda} (4459)^0] = (4458.8 \pm 2.9^{+4.7}_{-1.1}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma[P_{\psi_s}^{\Lambda} (4459)^0] = (17.3 \pm 6.5^{+8.0}_{-5.7}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$3.1\sigma$$

Quark content $[c\bar{c}uuds]$

J^P not yet determined



Theoretical expectation: two states with $J^P = 1/2^-$ and $3/2^-$ and mass difference of $6 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 Current study cannot confirm or refute the two peak hypothesis

Two new Ξ^{*-} states observed: $\Xi(1690)^-$ and $\Xi(1820)^-$

LHCb 2023: Amplitude analysis of $B^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda \bar{p}$ decays

4620 ± 70 events

PRL 131 (2023) 031901

Observation of a narrow pentaquark state in $[J/\psi \Lambda]$:

$> 15\sigma$

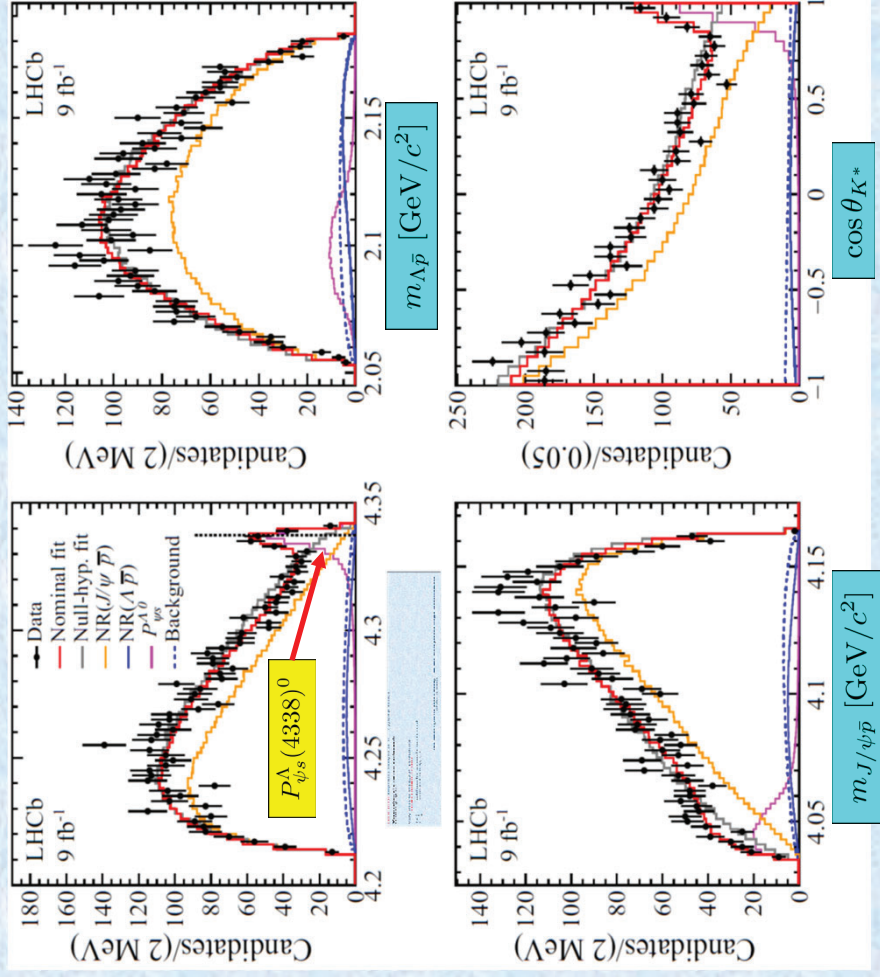
$$m[P_{\psi_s}^{\Lambda} (4338)^0] = (4338.2 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.4) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma[P_{\psi_s}^{\Lambda} (4338)^0] = (7.0 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.3) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

Very close to the $[\Sigma_c^+ D^-]$ threshold

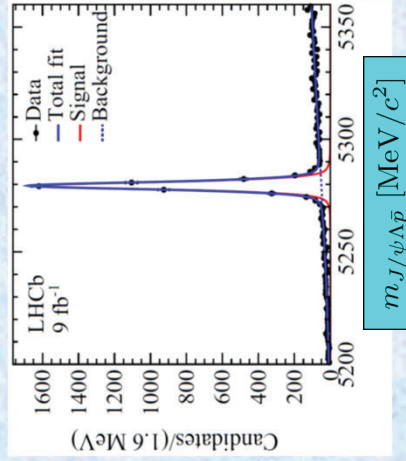
Quark content $[c\bar{c}uds]$

- $J = \frac{1}{2}^-$ — odd parity strongly preferred
- $J = \frac{1}{2}^+$ — excluded at 90% C. L.



The small Q value of the decay \rightarrow the most precise single measurement of the B^- mass:

$$m[B^-] = (5279.44 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.07) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$



LHCb (2021): Amplitude analysis of the $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \phi K^+$

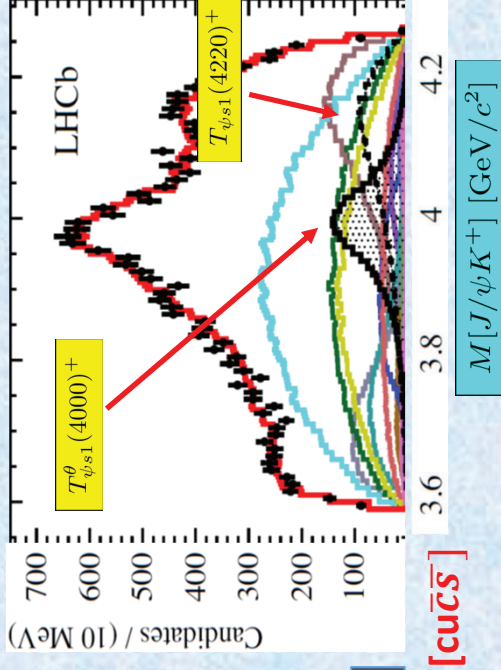
24220 ± 170 events

in particular discovery of two states in $[U/\psi K^+]$ system:

State	Mass [MeV/c ²]	Width [MeV/c ²]	J^P	Signif. [σ]
$T_{\psi s 1}^{\theta}(4000)^+$	$4003 \pm 6_{-14}^{+4}$	$131 \pm 15 \pm 26$	1^+	15
$T_{\psi s 1}^{\theta}(4220)^+$	$4216 \pm 24_{-30}^{+43}$	$233 \pm 52_{-73}^{+97}$	$1^+(1^-)$	5.9

PRL 127 (2021) 082001

- quark content [cu $\bar{c}\bar{s}$]



LHCb (2023): Amplitude analysis of the $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi K_S^0$

1866 ± 47 events

discovery of a structure in $[U/\psi K_S^0]$ system:

$$M[T_{\psi s 1}^{\theta}(4000)^0] = (3991_{-10-17}^{+12+9}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma[T_{\psi s 1}^{\theta}(4000)^0] = (105_{-25-23}^{+29+17}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

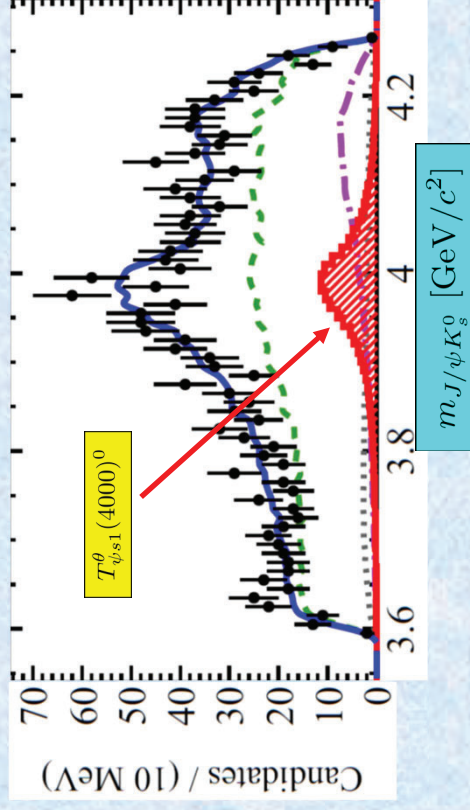
4σ

5.4σ - assuming isospin symmetry

(total likelihood of the B^+ and B^0 decays)

PRL 131 (2023) 131901

- quark content [cd $\bar{c}\bar{s}$]



The mass splitting:

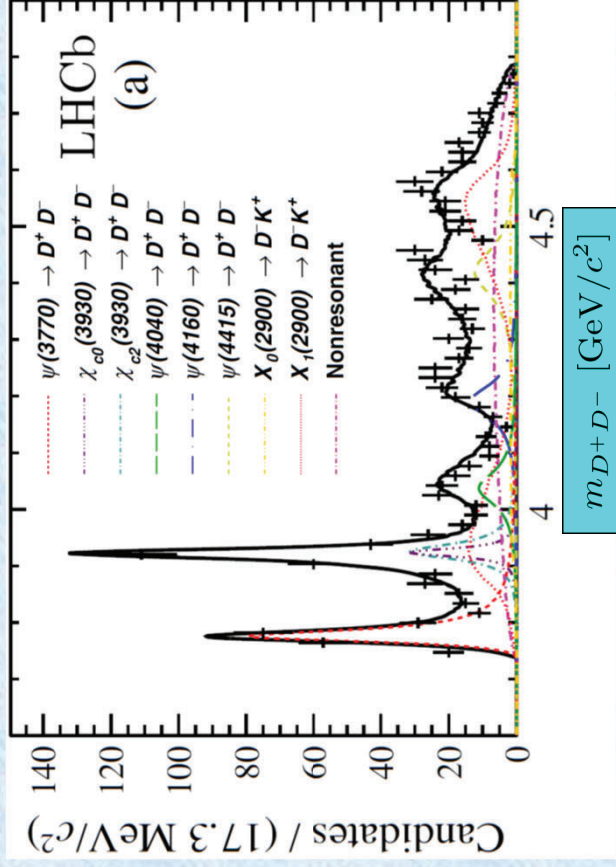
$$\Delta M = M[T_{\psi s 1}^{\theta}(4000)^0] - M[T_{\psi s 1}^{\theta}(4000)^+] = (-12_{-10-4}^{+11+6}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

LHCb (2020):

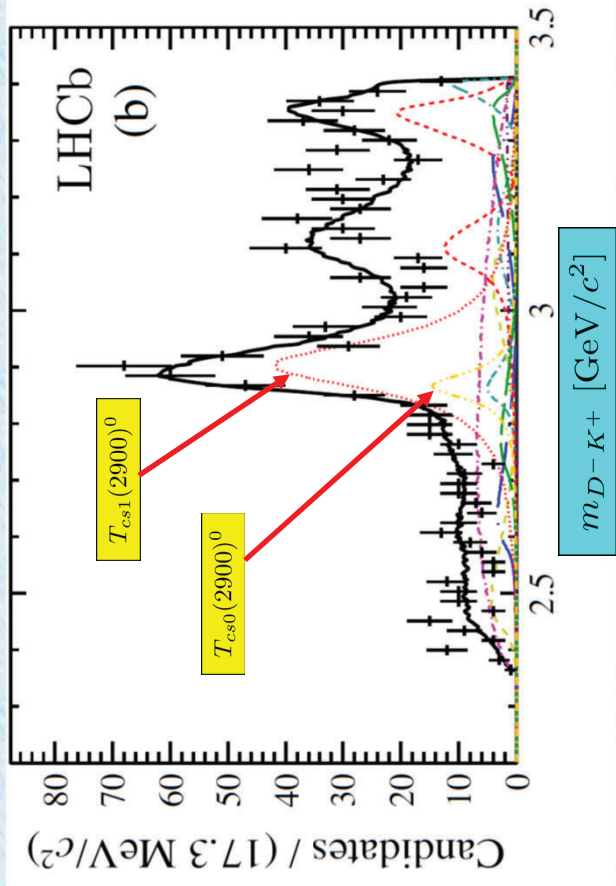
The first amplitude analysis of the $B^+ \rightarrow D^+ D^- K^+$ with the inclusion of known charmonium and $[D^- K^+]$ resonances

PRD 102 (2020) 112003

1260 events



$m_{D^+D^-}$ [GeV/ c^2]



$m_{D^-K^+}$ [GeV/ c^2]

Evidence for two new states in the $[D^- K^+]$ system: **quark content $[ud\bar{c}\bar{s}]$**

$$M[T_{cs0}(2900)^0] = (2886 \pm 7 \pm 2) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma[T_{cs0}(2900)^0] = (57 \pm 12 \pm 4) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

No evidence for $[D^+ K^+]$ structures

$$J^P = 0^+$$

$$M[T_{cs1}(2900)^0] = (2904 \pm 5 \pm 1) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma[T_{cs1}(2900)^0] = (110 \pm 11 \pm 4) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$J^P = 1^-$$

The first clear observation of exotic hadrons with open heavy flavor

The first observation of an exotic state that do not contain a heavy quark-antiquark pair

LHCb (2020):

The first amplitude analysis of the $B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 D_s^+ \pi^-$ & $B^+ \rightarrow D^- D_s^+ \pi^+$
(with the inclusion of known $[D^- K^+]$ resonances)

Discovery of two new states in $[D_s \pi]^+$:

$$B^0 \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 D_s^+ \pi^-$$

4009 \pm 70 events

$$M[T_{c\bar{s}0}^a(2900)^0] = (2892 \pm 14 \pm 15) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma[T_{c\bar{s}0}^a(2900)^0] = (119 \pm 26 \pm 13) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$8.0\sigma \quad J^P = 0^+$$

quark content $[cd\bar{s}\bar{u}]$

$$B^+ \rightarrow D^- D_s^+ \pi^+$$

3870 \pm 64 events

$$M(T_{c\bar{s}0}^a(2900)^{++}) = (2921 \pm 17 \pm 20) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

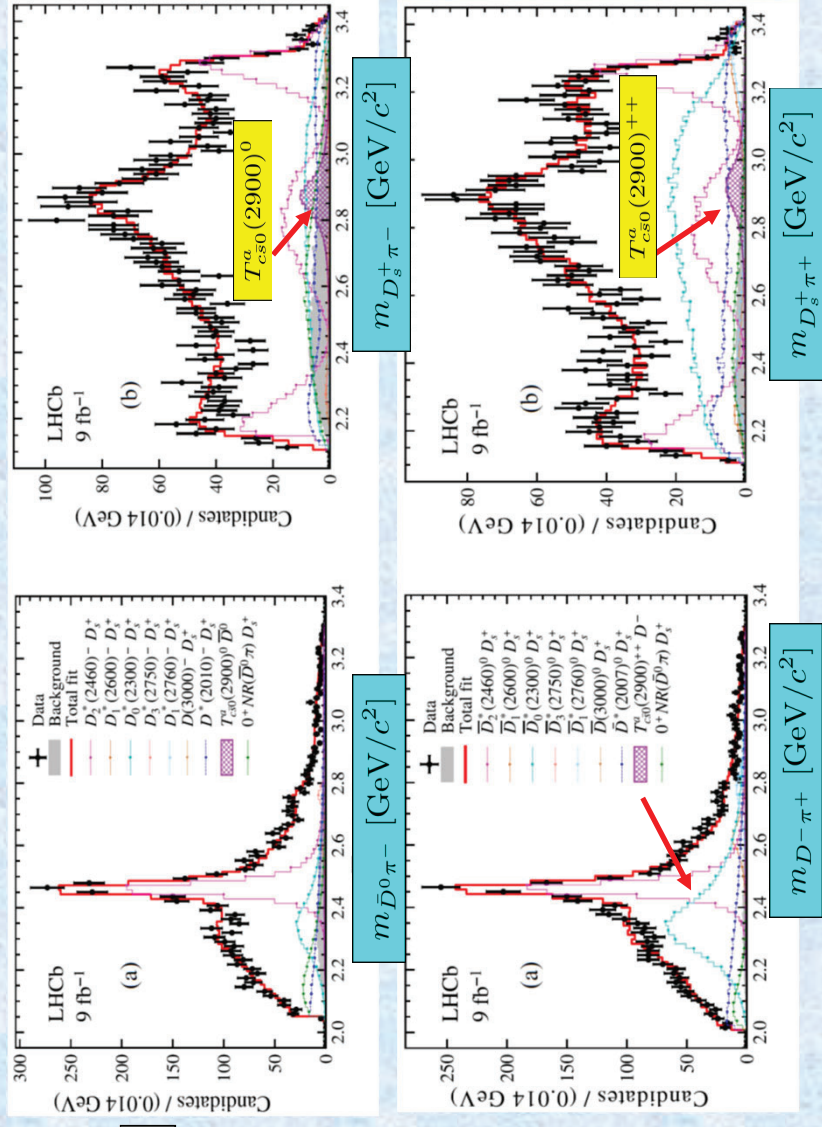
$$\Gamma(T_{c\bar{s}0}^a(2900)^{++}) = (137 \pm 32 \pm 17) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$6.5\sigma \quad J^P = 0^+$$

quark content $[cu\bar{s}\bar{d}]$

No hint for $[DD_s]$ structures

PRD 108 (2023) 012017



Mass splitting

$$\Delta M = M[T_{c\bar{s}0}^a(2900)^{++}] - M[T_{c\bar{s}0}^a(2900)^0] = (28 \pm 20 \pm 12) \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

LHCb (2022):

The first observation of double-charmed tetraquark with the **quark content $[cc\bar{u}\bar{d}]$** in its decay to $D^0D^0\pi^+$
 - manifestly exotic

Nature Physics 18 (2022) 751

Nature Commun 13 (2022) 3351

Mass of $T_{cc}(3875)^+$ very close and slightly below to the $D^{*+}D^0$ threshold:

$$\delta m = m[T_{cc}(3875)^+] - (m[D^{*+}] + m[D^0]) = (-273 \pm 61 \pm 5_{-14}^{+11}(\text{model})) \text{ keV}/c^2$$

Extremely narrow
 (the narrowest exotic state observed to date):

$$\Gamma[T_{cc}(3875)^+] = (410 \pm 65 \pm 43_{-38}^{+18}(\text{model})) \text{ keV}/c^2$$

Consistent with the isoscalar $J^P = 1^+$ hypothesis

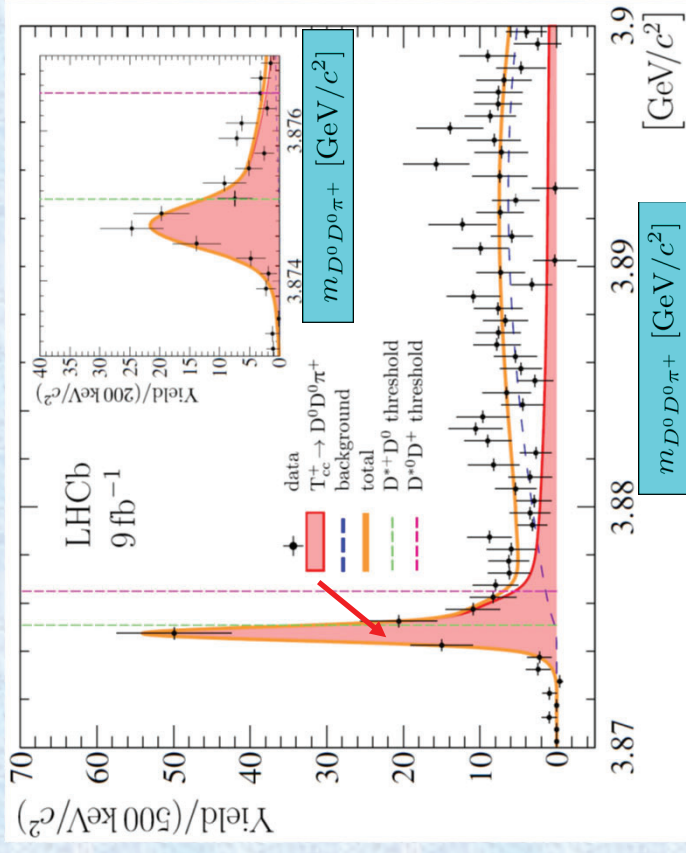
$T_{cc}(3875)^+$ is the first manifestation of the family of the $[QQ'qq']$ hadrons, which are expected to be almost stable against strong interaction ($\tau \sim 10^{-20} \text{ s}$)

Observation of $T_{cc}(3875)^+$ strongly supports existence of

- $[bb\bar{u}\bar{d}]$ tetraquark that is stable w.r.t. the strong and electromagnetic interactions
- $[bc\bar{u}\bar{d}]$ tetraquark state about 10 MeV below $\bar{B}D$ threshold

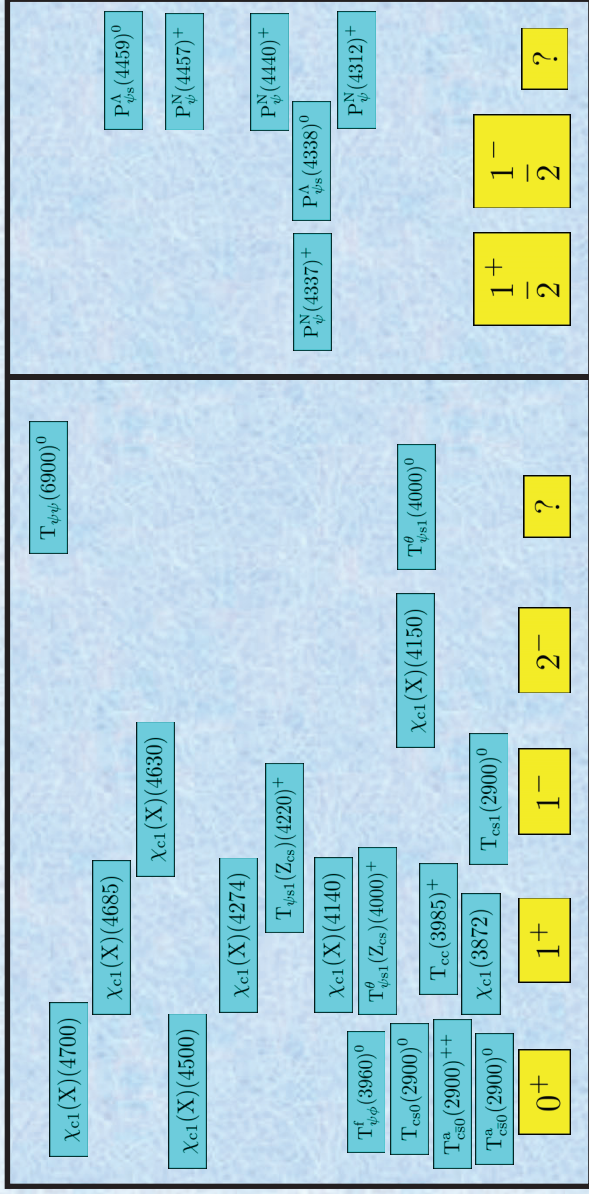
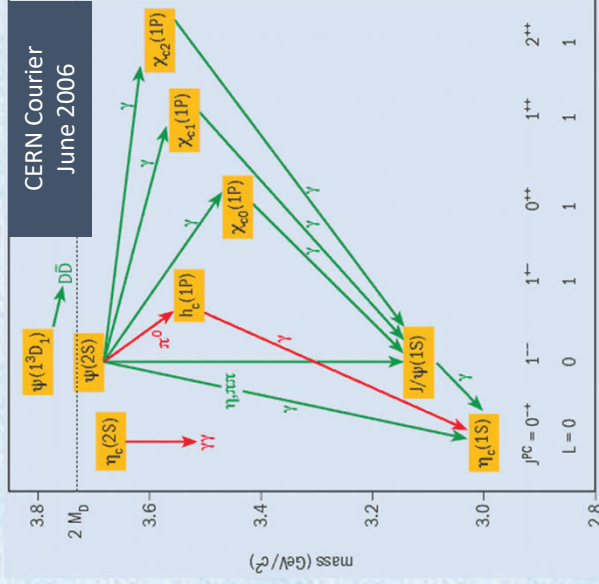
117 ± 16 events

22σ



Karliner, Rosner ArXiv 1707.07666

➤ A plethora of new (exotic) hadron states discovered by LHCb: ➔



➤ The systematic explanation of the current picture of exotic spectroscopy will be troublesome (and equally exciting)

➤ In the recent period, LHCb has been one of crucial players in heavy flavour spectroscopy of exotic states

➤ More precise spectroscopic measurements from the LHCb experiment and, hopefully, some new observations should follow with the analysis of Run 3 and Run 4 data