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# Observation of $J/\psi p$ Resonances Consistent with Pentaguark States in $\Lambda_b^0 o J/\psi K^- p$ Decays





### **Quark model**



A SCHEMATIC MODEL OF BARYONS AND MESONS * M.GELL-MANN Phys.Lett. 8 (1964) 214-215 itute of Technology, Pasadena, California	<b>1964</b> Classification of <b>mesons</b> and <b>baryons</b>
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anti-triplet as anti-quarks q. Baryons can now be constructed from quarks by using the combinations $(qqq)$ , $(qqqq\bar{q})$ , etc., while mesons are made out of $(q\bar{q})$ , $(qq\bar{q}\bar{q})$ , etc. It is assuming that the lowest	di-antiquarks (Jaffe), with its development (Strottman)
AN SU3 MODEL FOR STRONG INTERACTION SYMMETRY AND ITS BREAKING 10.17181/CERN-TH-401 *)	<b>1987</b> <i>qqqqq̄</i> The name of <b>"pentaquark"</b> was proposed by <b>Lipkin</b> .
G.Zweig CERN - Geneva	





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- Single-arm forward spectrometer
- Optimised for the study of particles containing *b* and *c* quarks
- Coverage 2 < η < 5</li>
   (0.7 deg < θ < 15.4 deg)</li>





### VErtex LOcator

- The closest to the interaction point.
- Silicon detectors
- Measures the tracks of the charged particle that are produced from the p-p collisions with high-resolution





### Magnet

- Bending power: 4 T•m
- Tracker on each side to measure curvature











GeV.



### **Calorimeters:**

- Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECAL): Measures energy of photons and electrons
- Hadronic Calorimeter (HCAL): Measures energy of hadrons





### Muon systems:

- Consists of multiple layers of detectors interleaved with shielding material.
- Identify and track muons, which pass through the detector



### **Analysis strategy**



- Search for exotic pentaquark contributions to the decay  $\Lambda_{\rm b}^{0} \rightarrow J/\Psi K p$
- Dataset: 3 fb<sup>-1</sup> of p-p collision data collected at c.o.m energies of 7-8 TeV
- Need to
  - Select signal candidates from data
  - $\circ~$  Disentangle possible  $P_{c}$  signal from various  $\Lambda^{*}$  contributions



### Signal candidate selection





- "Messy" hadron collider environment means high levels of background → careful selection of signal candidates necessary
- Trigger & preselection using PID, kinematic and geometrical criteria, including
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Good fits for each track
  - Positive identification of hadrons
  - $\circ$  p<sub>T</sub> > 250 MeV for hadrons
  - $\circ$  **p**<sub>T</sub> > 550 MeV for muons
  - Good vertex fits for the *K*-*p*, dimuon, and  $\Lambda_{\rm b}^{0}$



- The combinatorial background is further suppressed with a multivariate selection
  - Boosted decision trees trained on simulated signal and data sideband background samples
  - A cut on the BDT response is chosen such that ~5% background remains within a  $2\sigma$ window of the  $\Lambda_{\rm b}^{0}$  signal region

• Misidentified backgrounds from  $B^0$  are vetoed using cuts on the  $J/\Psi K p$  invariant mass





 $|\mathcal{M}|^2 = \sum_{\lambda_{\Lambda^0_i}} \sum_{\lambda_p} \sum_{\Delta\lambda_\mu} \left| \mathcal{M}^{\Lambda^*}_{\lambda_{\Lambda^0_b},\lambda_p,\Delta\lambda_\mu} \right|$  $\Lambda_{h}^{0}$ P<sup>\*</sup><sub>c</sub>  $+ e^{i\Delta\lambda_{\mu}lpha_{\mu}} \sum_{\lambda_{p}^{P_{c}} \neq \lambda_{p}} d^{1/2}_{\lambda_{p}^{P_{c}},\lambda_{p}}( heta_{p}) \mathcal{M}^{P_{c}}_{\lambda_{\Lambda_{b}^{0}},\lambda_{p}^{P_{c}},\Delta\lambda_{\mu}} \Big|$ 

#### General idea:

Express the total **decay amplitude** in terms of observable d.o.f, and fit to extract parameters and fractions of each component









$$egin{aligned} |\mathcal{M}|^2 &= \sum_{\lambda_{\Lambda_{b}^{0}}} \sum_{\lambda_{p}} \sum_{\Delta\lambda_{\mu}} \left| \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_{\Lambda_{b}^{0}},\lambda_{p},\Delta\lambda_{\mu}}^{\Lambda^{*}} 
ight. \ &+ e^{i\Delta\lambda_{\mu}lpha_{\mu}} \sum_{\lambda_{p}^{P_{c}}} d_{\lambda_{p}^{P_{c}},\lambda_{p}}^{1/2}( heta_{p}) \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_{\Lambda_{b}^{0}},\lambda_{p}^{P_{c}},\Delta\lambda_{\mu}}^{P_{c}} \end{aligned}$$

Write the amplitude in the **helicity basis**, summing over all initial state and final state helicities



#### **Amplitude analysis**



$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = \sum_{\lambda_{\Lambda_b^0}} \sum_{\lambda_p} \sum_{\Delta\lambda_\mu} \left| \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_{\Lambda_b^0},\lambda_p,\Delta\lambda_\mu}^{\Lambda^*} \right|$$

$$+ e^{i\Delta\lambda_{\mu}lpha_{\mu}} \sum_{\lambda_{p}^{P_{c}}} d^{1/2}_{\lambda_{p}^{P_{c}},\lambda_{p}}( heta_{p}) \mathcal{M}^{P_{c}}_{\lambda_{\Lambda_{b}^{0}},\lambda_{p}^{P_{c}},\Delta\lambda_{\mu}} \Big|^{2}$$

**K**<sup>-</sup>  $\Lambda_b^0$ P<sub>c</sub>\* J/Ψ **K**<sup>-</sup>  $\Lambda^*$  $\Lambda_b^0$ J/Ψ

Write the amplitude in the **helicity basis**, summing over all initial state and final state helicities

### **Amplitude analysis**





### Amplitude fit with $\Lambda^*$ resonances only



- Extended fit model: all possible known Λ\* states as decay amplitudes → 146 free parameters
- Masses and widths of A\* are fixed to PDG values
- Does not reproduce m<sub>J/ψ p</sub> spectrum, even if additional resonant and non-resonant components are added



### Amplitude fit with 1 $P_c$ state + $\Lambda^*$ resonances



- Reduced fit model: only well-motivated  $\Lambda^*$  resonances  $\rightarrow$  64 free parameters
- Masses and widths of A\* are fixed to PDG values
- Add one  $P_c$  state with  $J = \frac{5}{2}^+$
- Better reproduction of m<sub>J/ψ p</sub> spectrum,
   but fit quality still insufficient



### Amplitude fit with 2 $P_c$ states + $\Lambda^*$ resonances



- <u>Reduced fit model</u>: only well-motivated  $\Lambda^*$ resonances  $\rightarrow$  64 free parameters
- Masses and widths of A\* are fixed to PDG values
- Add two  $P_c$  states  $\rightarrow$  good fit quality
- Possible spin parity configurations:

	Best fit	$1\sigma$ worse	2.3 $\sigma$ worse
<i>P<sub>c</sub></i> (4380)	$J^{p} = 3/2^{-}$	$J^{p} = 3/2^{+}$	$J^{p} = 5/2^{+}$
<i>P<sub>c</sub></i> (4450)	$J^{p} = 5/2^{+}$	$J^{p} = 5/2^{-}$	$J^{p} = 3/2^{-}$





- **Most important** systematics for mass, width and fit fractions of both *P<sub>c</sub>* resonances:
  - Extended vs. reduced fitting model (i.e. how many  $\Lambda^*$  resonances are included)
  - Different spin parity configurations allowed by fits
- Examples of checks for the **stability of the results**:
  - Two different fit methods, independently developed
  - Fit reproduces other observables:  $m_{\kappa_p}$  spectrum, angular parameters
  - Results are stable with LHCb dipole in up and down configurations
  - Removed veto for  $B^0$  and modeled background explicitly  $\rightarrow$  consistent results

### **Final Result**



- Best fit: combined significance of  $15\sigma$
- Opposite parity and spins 3/2 and 5/2
- $P_c(4380)$  resonance
  - Fit fraction  $(4.1 \pm 0.5 \pm 1.1)$  %
  - Mass *m* = (3280 ± 8 ± 29) MeV
  - Width  $\Gamma$  = (205 ± 18 ± 86) MeV
- $P_c(4450)$  resonance
  - Fit fraction (8.4 ± 0.7 ± 4.2) %
  - Mass *m* = (4449.8 ± 1.7 ± 2.5) MeV
  - Width  $\Gamma = (39 \pm 5 \pm 19) \text{ MeV}$
- Uncertainties: statistical, systematic







### After the 2015 LHCb..





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## Backup

**Definition of**  $\theta_{p}$ 





Figure 9: Definition of the  $\theta_p$  angle.

#### **Pentaquarks structure**





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#### **Characteristics:**

- classified as **an exotic hadron**
- typically have a higher mass than traditional hadrons
- decay through intermediate states that involve both baryons and mesons

#### **Possible configurations:**

- 1. Tightly bound state
- 2. Molecular state
- 3. Di-quark and Tri-quark clusters

# What differentiates pentaquark states from any other states?

See lectures by C. Shen

### **PID(Particle Identification) at LHCb**





- 1) For charged PID,
  - $DLL_{X_{\pi}}$ : log likelihood difference particle hypotheses of X and  $\pi$  as reference  $L = L_{RICH} * L_{calo} * L_{muon}$
  - ProbNNX : Neural net output, trained on simulation with input from detector components + tracking information
- 1) For neutral PID,
  - Dedicated neural nets

### **Trigger & Preselection**



#### Trigger (J/ $\psi \rightarrow \mu^+$ )

- each muon with  $p_T > 500 MeV$
- dimuon with opposite charge
- dimuon with vertex fit parameter  $\chi^2 < 16$
- dimuon with vertex significantly displaced from the nearest pp interaction vertex
- dimuon invariant mass within 120 MeV of  $J/\psi(\sim 3.1 GeV)$

#### Preselection

Tracks:

- good track
- remove duplicated reconstruction

Muon:

- each muon with  $p_T > 550 MeV$
- dimuon constrained to the  $J/\psi$  mass

*K*<sup>-</sup>*p* :

• vertex fit parameter  $\chi^2 < 16$ 

Hadrons:

- $p_T > 250 MeV$
- impact parameter(respect to primary vertex)  $\chi^2 > 9$
- positive PID

 $\Lambda_b^0$ :

- vertex fit parameter  $\chi^2 > 50$  for 5 degrees of freedom
- flight distance > 1.5mm

• 
$$cos\left(\overrightarrow{\Lambda_b^0}\leftrightarrow\overrightarrow{p_{\Lambda_b^0}}\right)$$



TABLE I. The  $\Lambda^*$  resonances used in the different fits. Parameters are taken from the PDG [12]. We take  $5/2^-$  for the  $J^P$  of the  $\Lambda(2585)$ . The number of *LS* couplings is also listed for both the reduced and extended models. To fix overall phase and magnitude conventions, which otherwise are arbitrary, we set  $B_{0,\frac{1}{2}} = (1,0)$  for  $\Lambda(1520)$ . A zero entry means the state is excluded from the fit.

State	$J^P$	$M_0$ (MeV)	$\Gamma_0$ (MeV)	Number Reduced	Number Extended
$\Lambda(1405)$	1/2-	$1405.1^{+1.3}_{-1.0}$	$50.5 \pm 2.0$	3	4
$\Lambda(1520)$	$3/2^{-}$	$1519.5 \pm 1.0$	$15.6 \pm 1.0$	5	6
$\Lambda(1600)$	$1/2^{+}$	1600	150	3	4
$\Lambda(1670)$	$1/2^{-}$	1670	35	3	4
$\Lambda(1690)$	$3/2^{-}$	1690	60	5	6
$\Lambda(1800)$	$1/2^{-}$	1800	300	4	4
$\Lambda(1810)$	$1/2^{+}$	1810	150	3	4
$\Lambda(1820)$	$5/2^{+}$	1820	80	1	6
$\Lambda(1830)$	$5/2^{-}$	1830	95	1	6
$\Lambda(1890)$	$3/2^{+}$	1890	100	3	6
$\Lambda(2100)$	7/2-	2100	200	1	6
$\Lambda(2110)$	$5/2^{+}$	2110	200	1	6
$\Lambda(2350)$	$9/2^{+}$	2350	150	0	6
$\Lambda(2585)$	?	≈2585	200	0	6



### Pathways to pentaquarks



**1976 PDG** showed the candidates for baryon states with positive strangeness **1994 PDG** (+ *subsequent versions*) dismissed the candidates **2003 LEPS** *claimed* a discovery of the  $\Theta^+$ , matched the prediction given by **DPP** (1997), followed by other (10) collaborations **2006 PDG**: "The conclusion that pentaquarks in general, and the  $\Theta^+$ , in particular, <u>do</u> <u>not exist, appears compelling</u>."

2009 LEPS *claimed* (once again) the existence of a narrow state:  $1524 \pm 4 \; {
m MeV}/c^2$ 

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#### Finally.. The 2015 LHCb results

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