

Heavy flavor production at LHCb

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Selected measurements

- Observation of new resonances in $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ **NEW !**
[LHCb-PAPER-2019-025](#)
- Observation of an excited B_c^+ state
[PRL 122 \(2019\) 232001](#)
- Measurement of b -hadron fractions at 13 TeV
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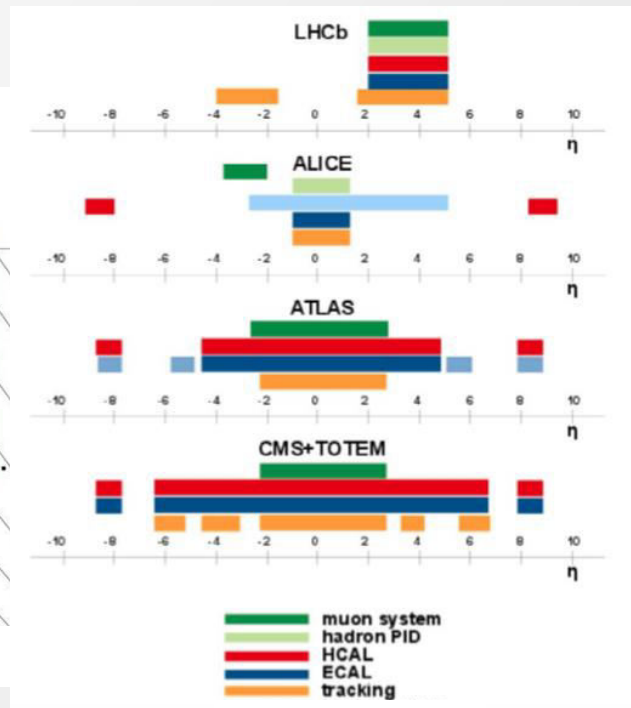
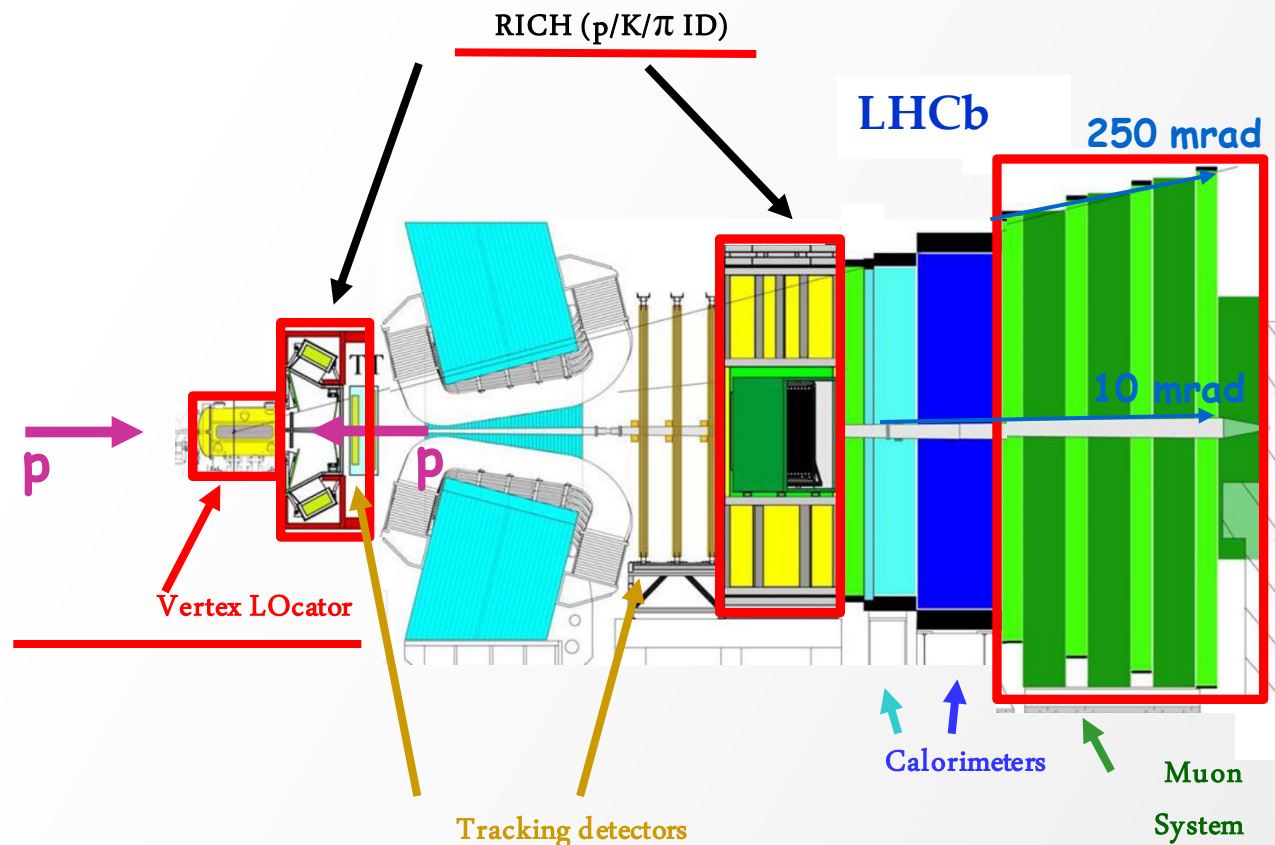
Recent, omitted in this talk:

- Near-threshold $D\bar{D}$ spectroscopy and observation of a new charmonium state
[JHEP 07 \(2019\) 035](#)

LHCb : single arm forward spectrometer

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- Forward HQ production at the LHC
- Forward region $2 < \eta < 5$, $\sim 4\%$ of solid angle, but $\sim 40\%$ of HQ production x-section



- Complementary cross-section measurements and overlap in terms of rapidity and p_T
- Key detector systems for production measurements: vertex reconstruction (VELO), particle identification (Muon detector, RICHs, Calorimeters), flexible trigger

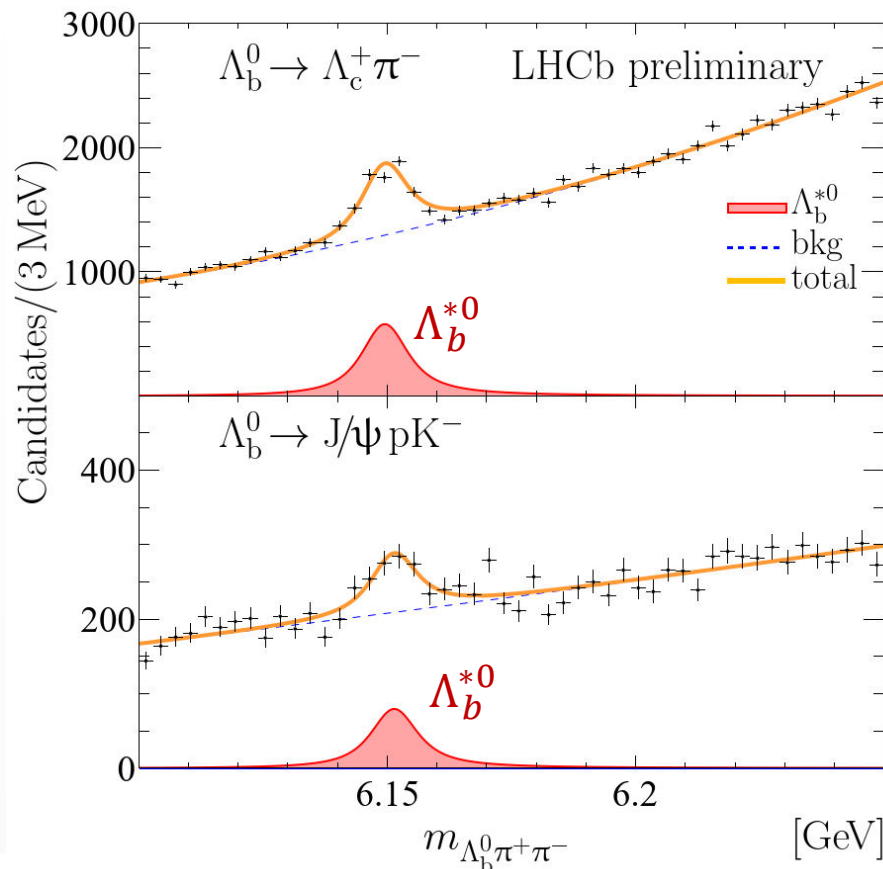
Heavy flavor production: motivation

- Variety of measurements
 - **Spectroscopy and production** of b-baryons
 - **Open heavy flavor** production and polarization
 - **Quarkonium** production and polarization
 - Associated production
- Important study for QCD, both perturbative and non-perturbative
 - **Tests of QCD** predictions
 - Determination of **non perturbative parameters**
- Required for MC tuning → inputs for precision flavor physics measurements
- Precise knowledge of SM background for New Physics searches

Observation of new resonances in $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$

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- Previous study of Λ_b^0 spectrum at LHCb using data sample of $1 fb^{-1}$
 - discovery of $\Lambda_b(5912)^0$ and $\Lambda_b(5920)^0$ [PRL 109 \(2012\) 172003](#)
- Later confirmed by CDF [PRD 88 \(2013\) 071101](#)
- **New results available with Run I+II data sample of $9 fb^{-1}$**
- Two Λ_b^0 decay modes considered: $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-$ and $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$

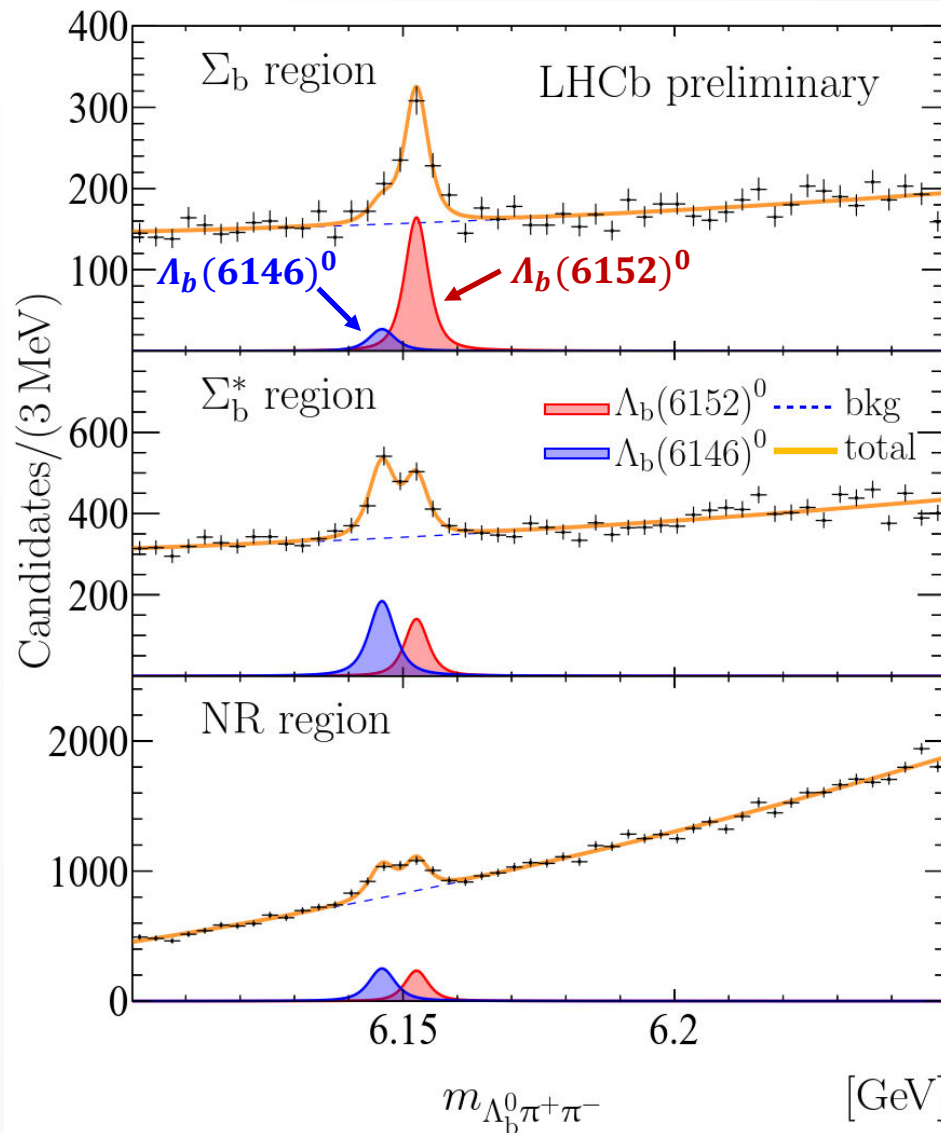


**Clear excess around 6.15 GeV
in both distributions**

Observation of new resonances in $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$

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- The $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ inv. mass distribution is studied in regions of $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+$ inv. mass: resonant (Σ_b^+ and Σ_b^{*+}) and non-resonant

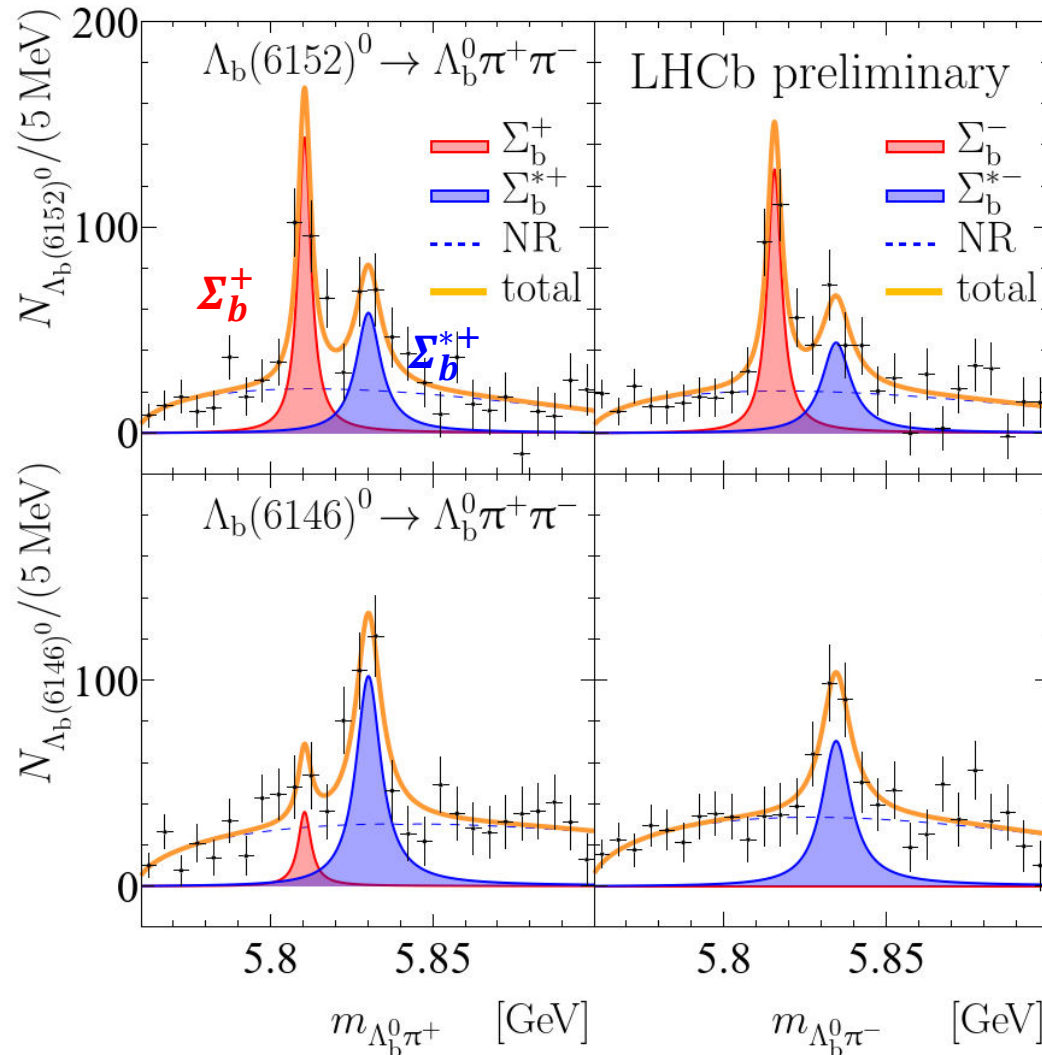


Two peaks hypothesis
favoured
with 7σ significance

Observation of new resonances in $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$

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- The mass distribution is studied in regions of $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+$ mass: resonant (Σ_b^+ and Σ_b^{*+}) and non-resonant
- Background subtracted $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+$ inv. mass distributions:



Different decay rates via Σ_b^+ and Σ_b^{*+} for observed states

Observation of new resonances in $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$

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- **Results:**

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

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

$$\Delta m = 6.34 \pm 0.32 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_{\Lambda_b(6152)^0} = 2.11 \pm 0.81 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_{\Lambda_b(6146)^0} = 2.90 \pm 1.28 \text{ MeV}$$

- Possible interpretation of the new states as a doublet of $\Lambda_b(\mathbf{1D})^0$ states with $J^P = \frac{3}{2}^+$ and $\frac{5}{2}^+$

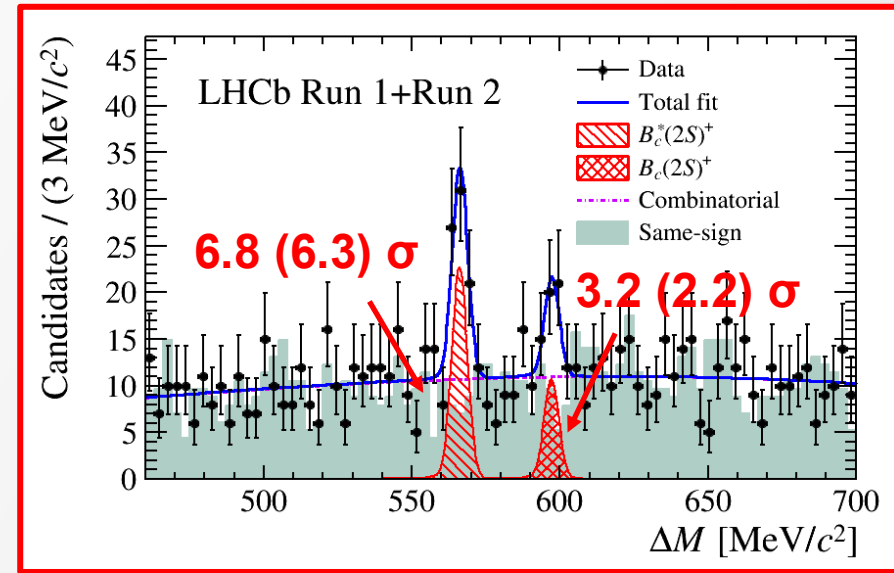
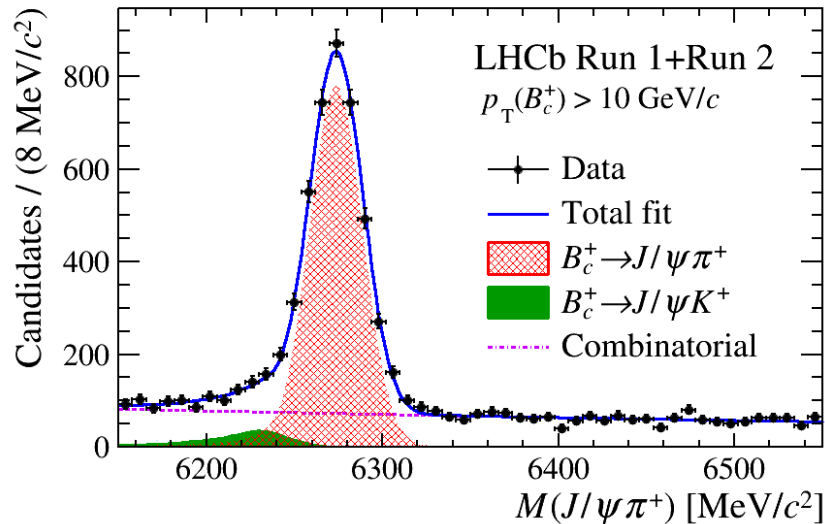
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Observation of an excited B_c^+ state

- Two states observed by CMS [PRL122 \(2019\) 132001](#)
- LHCb analysis: Run I+II data sample of 8.5 fb^{-1}
- Reconstructed via $B_c^{(*)}(2S) \rightarrow (B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+) \pi^+ \pi^-$

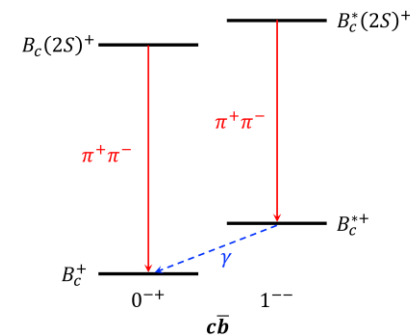
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- Masses are measured to be

$$6841.2 \pm 0.6 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.1 \text{ (syst)} \pm 0.8 \text{ (} B_c^+ \text{) MeV}/c^2$$

$$6872.1 \pm 1.3 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.1 \text{ (syst)} \pm 0.8 \text{ (} B_c^+ \text{) MeV}/c^2$$

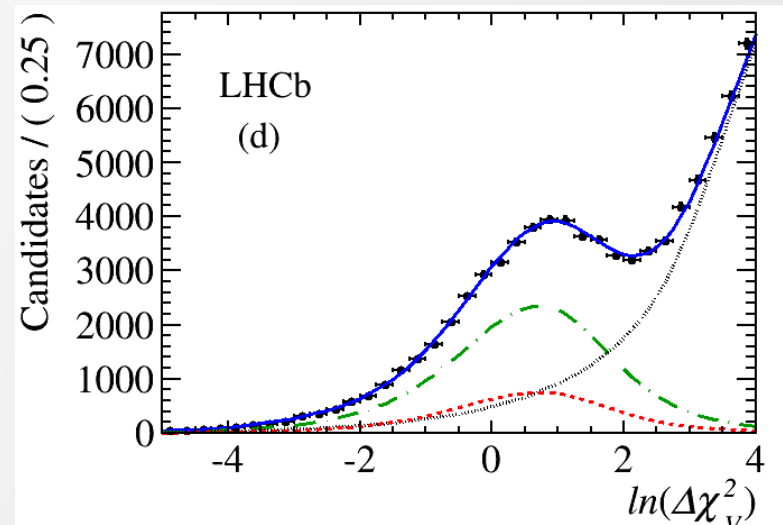
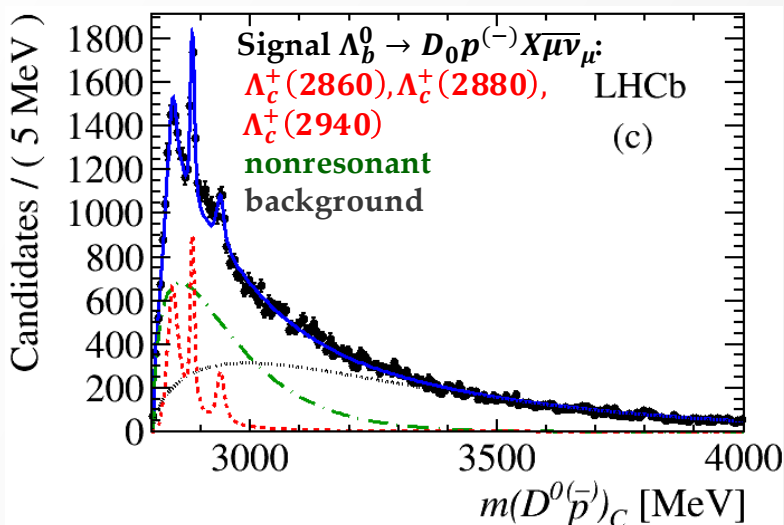
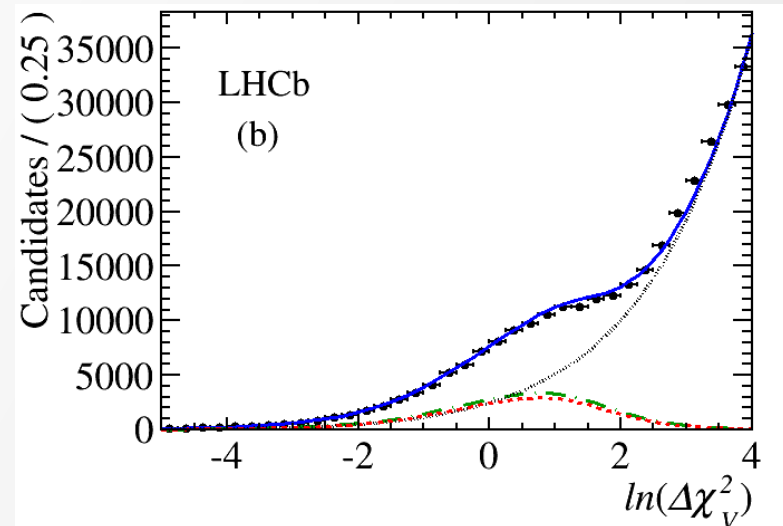
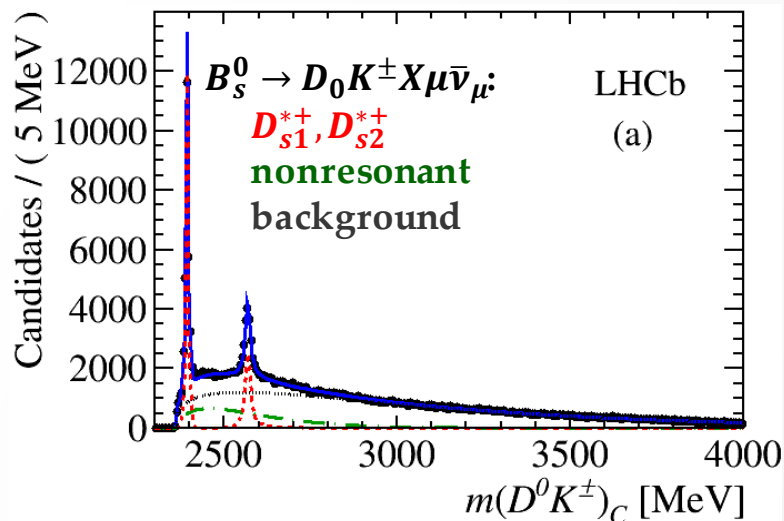


- ⇒ Consistent with expectations of $B_c(2^3S_1)$ and $B_c(2^1S_1)$ e.g. [PRD 86 \(2012\) 094510](#)
- ⇒ Confirms first observation by CMS

Measurement of b -hadron fractions at 13 TeV

arXiv:1902.06794

- Data sample: part of Run II, 1.67 fb^{-1}
- Inclusive semileptonic decays to $H_c X \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu$ are used to reconstruct b -hadrons
- 2D fit to distinguish signal and background in decays to $H_c h X \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu$:



Measurement of b -hadron fractions at 13 TeV

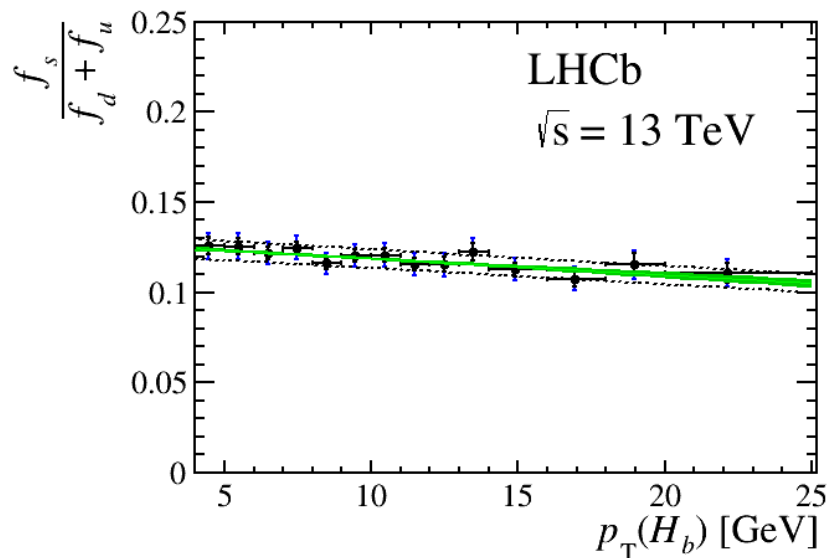
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- First measurement of b -hadron fractions at 13 TeV

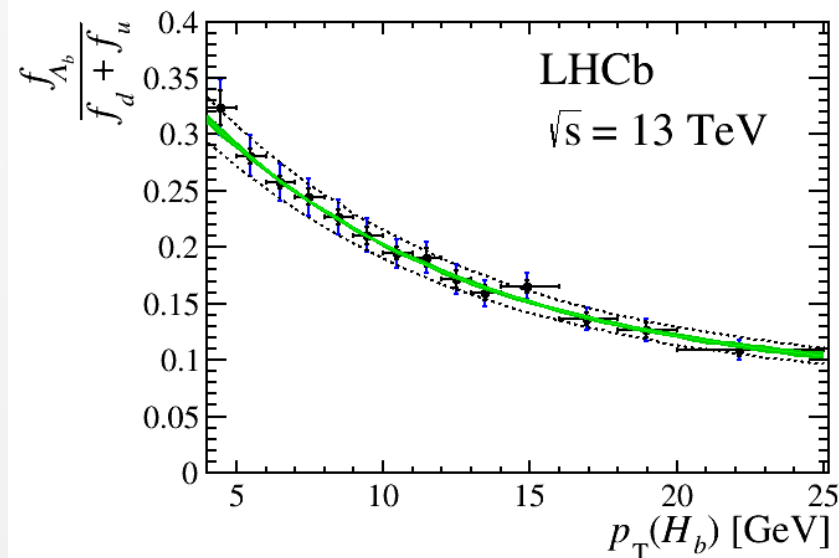
$$\frac{f_s}{f_u + f_d} = 0.122 \pm 0.006$$

$$\frac{f_{\Lambda_b^0}}{f_u + f_d} = 0.259 \pm 0.018$$

- Fragmentation fractions extracted as function of p_T



Fit by linear function

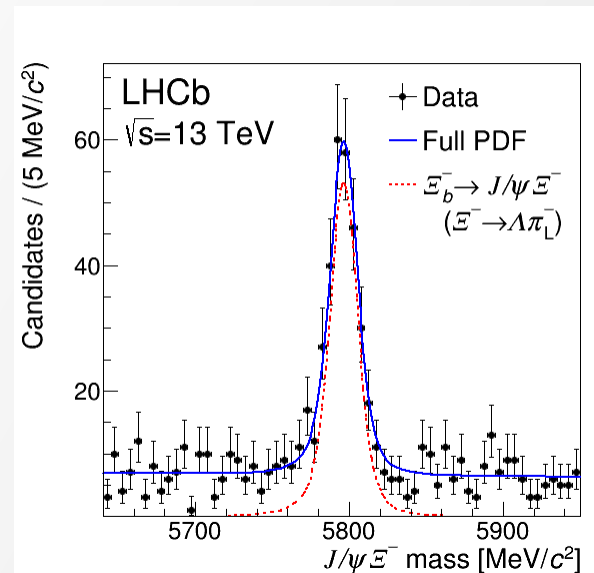
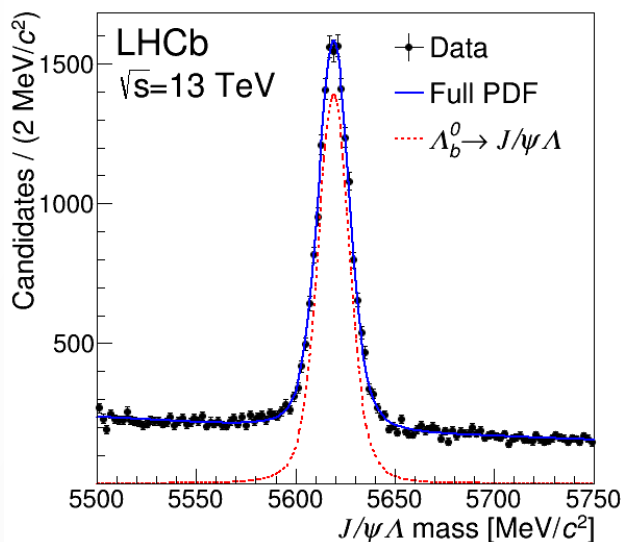


Fit by exponential function

Measurement of the mass and production rate of Ξ_b^- baryons

PRD 99 (2019) 052006

- Run I+II data sample of 1 fb^{-1} at 7 TeV, 2 fb^{-1} at 8 TeV and 1.6 fb^{-1} at 13 TeV
- Ξ_b^- reconstructed via $\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Xi^-$, normalization: $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda$



- Results – **first measurement of Ξ_b^- production**

$$\frac{f_{\Xi_b^-}}{f_{\Lambda_b^0}} \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Xi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda)} = (10.8 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-2} \quad [\sqrt{s} = 7, 8 \text{ TeV}]$$

$$\frac{f_{\Xi_b^-}}{f_{\Lambda_b^0}} \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Xi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda)} = (13.1 \pm 1.1 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-2} \quad [\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}]$$

Measurement of the mass and production rate of Ξ_b^- baryons

PRD 99 (2019) 052006

- Assuming **SU(3) symmetry**, the fragmentation fraction is obtained

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$$\frac{f_{\Xi_b^-}}{f_{\Lambda_b^0}} = (6.7 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.5 \pm 2.0) \times 10^{-2} \quad [\sqrt{s} = 7, 8 \text{ TeV}]$$
$$\frac{f_{\Xi_b^-}}{f_{\Lambda_b^0}} = (8.2 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.6 \pm \underbrace{2.5}_{\text{due to SU(3) symmetry breaking}}) \times 10^{-2} \quad [\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}].$$

- No significant production asymmetry observed

$$A_{\text{prod}}(\Xi_b^-) = (1.1 \pm 5.6)\% \quad [\sqrt{s} = 7, 8 \text{ TeV}],$$
$$A_{\text{prod}}(\Xi_b^-) = (-3.9 \pm 4.9)\% \quad [\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}].$$

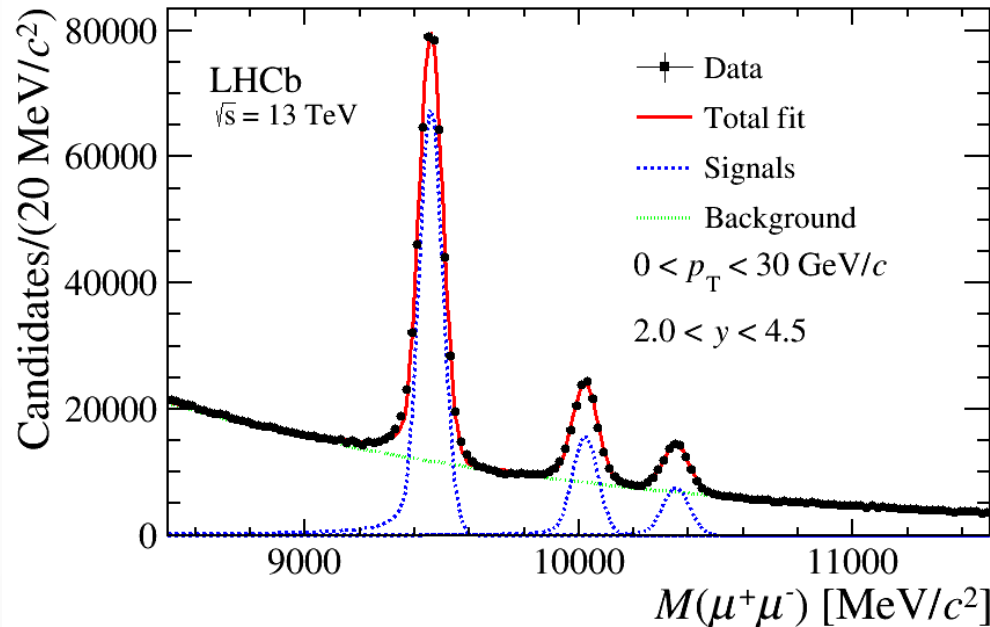
- The most precise measurement of Ξ_b^- mass

$$m(\Xi_b^-) = 5796.70 \pm 0.39 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

Measurement of Υ production at 13 TeV

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- Data sample of 277 pb^{-1} collected at $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
- Clean signals from $\Upsilon(1S)$, $\Upsilon(2S)$ and $\Upsilon(3S)$ using decays to $\mu^+\mu^-$



- Absolute production is measured

$$\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(1S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) \times \sigma(\Upsilon(1S), 0 < p_T < 15 \text{ GeV}/c, 2 < y < 4.5) = 4687 \pm 10 \pm 294 \text{ pb}$$

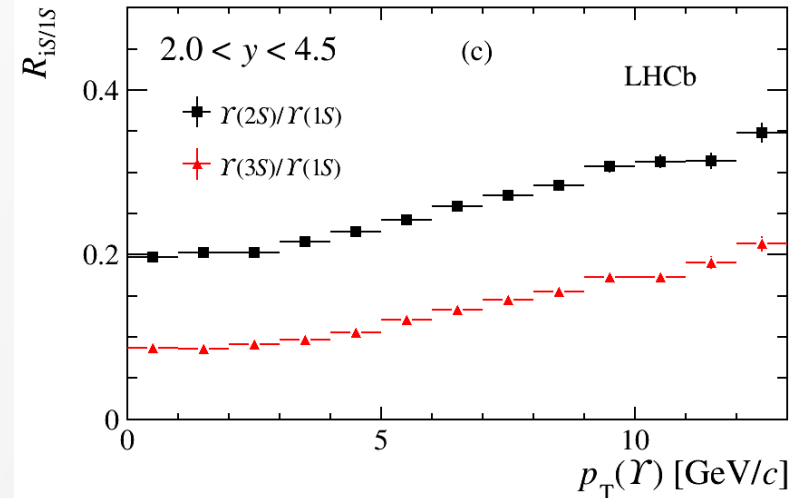
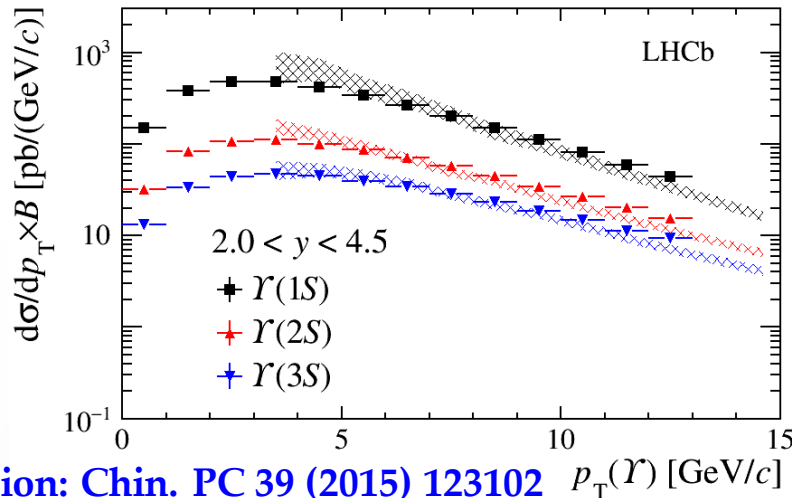
$$\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(2S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) \times \sigma(\Upsilon(2S), 0 < p_T < 15 \text{ GeV}/c, 2 < y < 4.5) = 1134 \pm 6 \pm 71 \text{ pb}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) \times \sigma(\Upsilon(3S), 0 < p_T < 15 \text{ GeV}/c, 2 < y < 4.5) = 561 \pm 4 \pm 36 \text{ pb}$$

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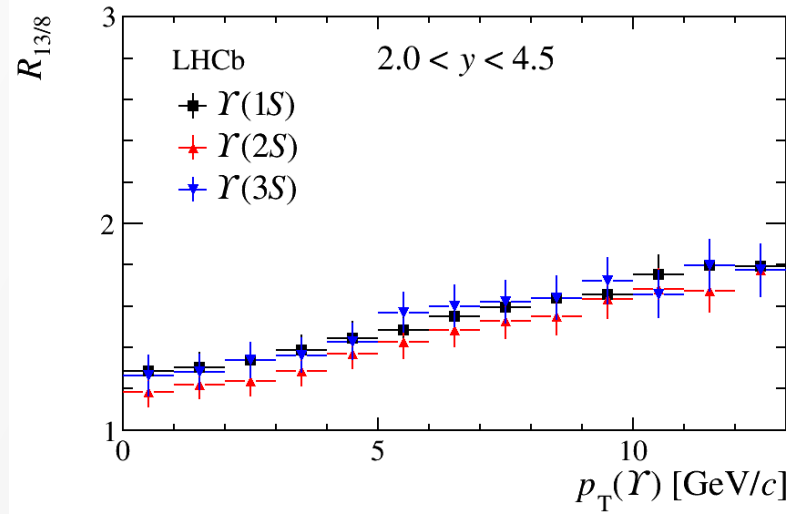
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- p_T and y -differential and double differential cross-sections measured
- Results compared to Non Relativistic QCD prediction



Prediction: Chin. PC 39 (2015) 123102

- The 13/8 TeV ratios measured



Summary

Significant LHCb contribution to study heavy flavour production and spectroscopy:

- Observation of new excited Λ_b^0 resonances
provides tests of quark model
- Observation of excited B_c^+ resonances
precision tests of lattice predictions
- Measurement of B_s^0 and Λ_b^0 fractions
important for measurements of BR of their decay modes
- First measurement of Ξ_b^- production and
the most precise measurement of its mass
- Measurement of Υ production at 13 TeV
provides tests of NRQCD

More results in progress with Run II data
Stay tuned!

