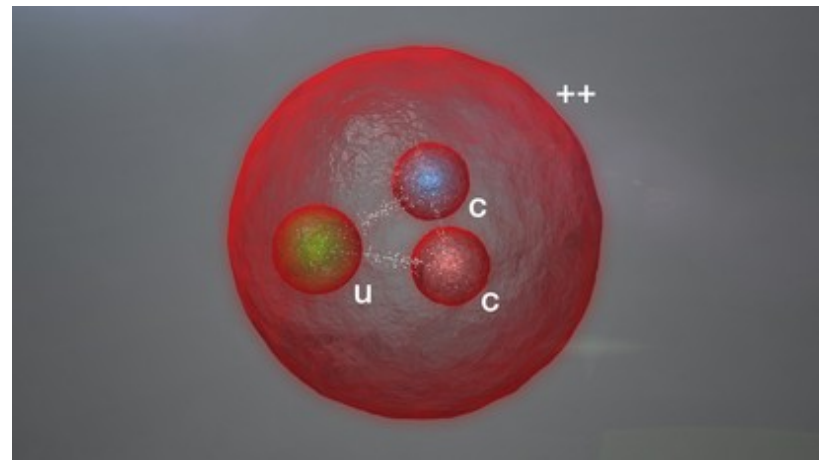




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Baryons with two heavy quarks: Masses, production, decays, and detection

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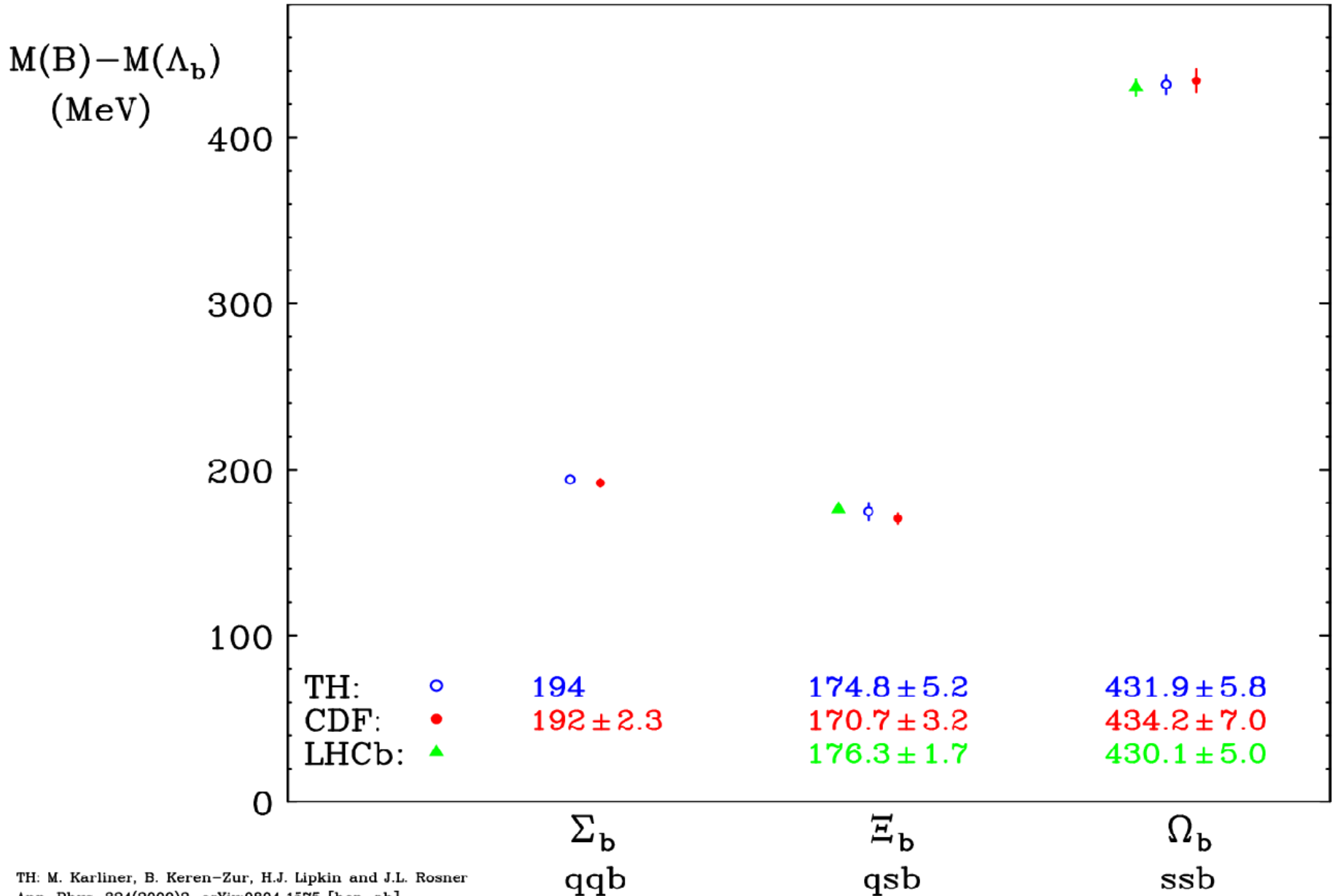
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This was the key to the accurate prediction of baryons containing the b quark:

b-baryons spectrum – TH predictions vs EXP



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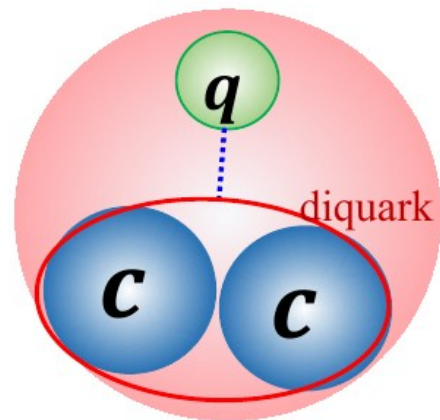
QQq baryons are the simplest baryons:

when $m_Q \rightarrow \infty$, QQ form a static $\bar{3}_c$ diquark

$$R_{\text{diquark}} \sim 1/(m_Q \alpha_s) \ll 1/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$$

so QQq baryon $\sim \bar{Q}q$ meson

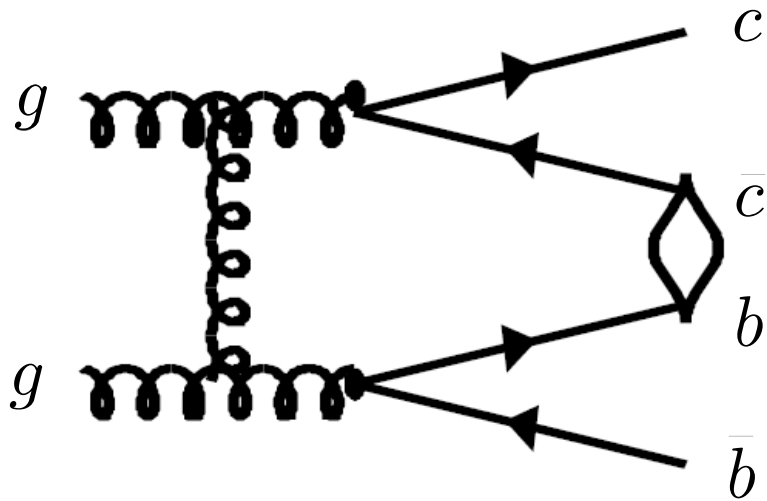
e.g. form factors: $F_{QQq}(q^2) = F_{\bar{Q}q}(q^2)$



corrections: $f\left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{m_Q}\right)$, calculable in QCD

hydrogen atom of baryon physics!

B_c production in LHCb: gg fusion



v. hard to compute reliably
from first principles, but...

Ξ_{bc} production: same diagram,

but b needs to pick up c , instead of \bar{c} : $\mathbf{3}_c\mathbf{3}_c$ vs. $\mathbf{3}_c\mathbf{3}_{\bar{c}}$

$$\implies \sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_{bc} + X) \sim \sigma(pp \rightarrow B_c + X)$$

LHCb is making a lot of B_c -s. $\sigma(pp \rightarrow B_c + X) = 0.4\mu b$

\implies LHCb is making a lot of (QQq) baryons !!!

best candidate: $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \equiv (ccu)$

of all QQq -s

- largest x-section, same as (ccd)
- but $\tau(ccu) \gg \tau(ccd)$
 \Rightarrow much easier to detect
- (bcq) might also be accessible
since $\tau(b) \sim 7\tau(c)$

above to be revisited

with sufficient E_{CM} may study
double heavy flavor production

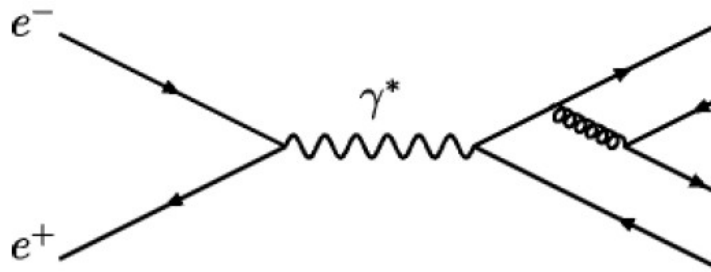
$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}c\bar{c} + X ,$$

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\Rightarrow a precondition for producing doubly heavy B_c, B_c^* ,
and doubly heavy $\Xi_{bc} = bcq$, and $\Xi_{bb} = bbq$, $q = u, d$.

must be able to see the (known) B_c state
if one expects to be able to detect Ξ_{bc}

same diagram
for B_c and Ξ_{bc} :



estimate $\sigma(e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma B_c^+ B_c^- + X)$
 $\sim 1.7 \text{ fb @90 GeV, } 0.24 \text{ fb @250 GeV}$

masses of doubly-heavy baryons:
use same toolbox that predicted
b baryon masses.

- Phenomenological approach
- Identify eff. d.o.f. & their interactions
- Extract model parameters from exp
- Then use them to make predictions

ccq mass calculation

sum of :

- $2m_c$
- V_{cc} in 3_c^*
- $V_{HF}(cc)$
- $V_{HF}(cq)$
- m_q

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- } no exp info !

Effective masses

in mesons:

$$m_u^m = m_d^m = m_q^m = 310 \text{ MeV}, m_c^m = 1663.3 \text{ MeV}$$

in baryons:

$$m_u^b = m_d^b = m_q^b = 363 \text{ MeV}, m_c^b = 1710.5 \text{ MeV}$$

$V(cc)$ from $V(c\bar{c})$:

$$\bar{M}(c\bar{c} : 1S) \equiv [3M(J/\psi) + M(\eta_c)]/4 = 3068.6 \text{ MeV}$$

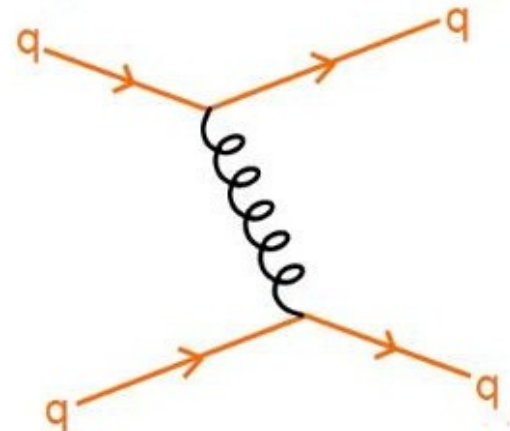
$$V(c\bar{c}) = \bar{M}(c\bar{c} : 1S) - 2m_c^m = -258.0 \text{ MeV.}$$

$$V(cc) = \frac{1}{2} V(c\bar{c}) = -129.0 \text{ MeV.}$$

in weak coupling follows
from color algebra in 1gx

here a dynamical assumption:

$V(cc)$ and $V(c\bar{c})$ factorize
into color \times space



gluon exchange by 2 quarks

$V_{HF}(cc)$ from $V_{HF}(c\bar{c})$:

$$V_{HF}(cc) = \frac{a_{cc}}{m_c^2}$$

$$V_{HF}(c\bar{c}) = M(J/\psi) - M(\eta_c) = 113.2 \text{ MeV} = \frac{4a_{c\bar{c}}}{m_c^2}$$

assume $a_{cc} = \frac{1}{2}a_{c\bar{c}}$,

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_{cc}}{m_c^2} = 1/2 \cdot \frac{M(J/\psi) - M(\eta_c)}{4} = 14.2 \text{ MeV}$$

Contributions to Ξ_{cc} mass

Contribution	Value (MeV)
$2m_c^b + m_q^b$	3783.9
cc binding	-129.0
$a_{cc}/(m_c^b)^2$	14.2
$-4a/m_q^b m_c^b$	-42.4
Total	3627 ± 12

The ± 12 MeV error estimate from
ave. error for Qqq baryons

doubly heavy baryons: mass predictions

TABLE XVIII. Summary of our mass predictions (in MeV) for lowest-lying baryons with two heavy quarks. States without a star have $J = 1/2$; states with a star are their $J = 3/2$ hyperfine partners. The quark q can be either u or d . The square or curved brackets around cq denote coupling to spin 0 or 1.

State	Quark content	$M(J = 1/2)$	$M(J = 3/2)$
$\Xi_{cc}^{(*)}$	ccq	3627 ± 12	3690 ± 12
$\Xi_{bc}^{(*)}$	$b[cq]$	6914 ± 13	6969 ± 14
Ξ'_{bc}	$b(cq)$	6933 ± 12	...
$\Xi_{bb}^{(*)}$	bbq	10162 ± 12	10184 ± 12

isospin splittings: (ccu)-(ccd), etc.

Experimental mass splittings between octet baryons

Splitting	Symbol	Value (MeV)
$M(p) - M(n)$	N_1	-1.2933
$M(\Sigma^+) - M(\Sigma^-)$	Σ_1	-8.08 ± 0.08
$M(\Sigma^+) - 2M(\Sigma^0) + M(\Sigma^-)$	Σ_2	1.535 ± 0.090
$M(\Xi^0) - M(\Xi^-)$	Ξ_1	-6.85 ± 0.21

sources of isospin splittings:

- $m_u - m_d$
- Coulomb
- color HF
- EM HF

Contributions to isospin splittings (MeV)
using universal constituent-quark masses
in mesons and baryons

	N_1	Σ_1	Σ_2	Ξ_1	$\Xi_{cc,1}$	$\Xi_{bb,1}$	$\Xi_{bc,1}$
$m_u - m_d$	-2.68	-5.36	0.00	-2.68	-2.68	-2.68	-2.68
Coulomb	0.94	-0.94	2.83	-1.89	3.77	-1.89	0.94
StrHF	0.88	-0.24	0.00	-1.12	-0.33	-0.11	-0.22
EMHF	-0.43	-1.54	-1.30	-1.11	0.64	-0.11	0.27
Total	-1.293	-8.086	1.535	-6.793	1.409	-4.783	-1.687
					± 0.116	± 0.058	± 0.067

$$\Xi_{cc,1} \equiv M(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) - M(\Xi_{cc}^+)$$

$$\Xi_{bb,1} \equiv M(\Xi_{bb}^0) - M(\Xi_{bb}^-)$$

$$\Xi_{bc,1} \equiv M(\Xi_{bc}^+) - M(\Xi_{bc}^0)$$

Contributions to isospin splittings (MeV)
 using separate constituent-quark
 masses in mesons and baryons

	N_1	Σ_1	Σ_2	Ξ_1	$\Xi_{cc,1}$	$\Xi_{bb,1}$	$\Xi_{bc,1}$
$m_u - m_d$	-2.48	-4.95	0.00	-2.48	-2.48	-2.48	-2.48
Coulomb	1.02	-1.02	3.05	-2.04	4.07	-2.04	1.02
StrHF	0.67	-0.24	0.00	-0.91	-0.29	-0.10	-0.19
EMHF	-0.51	-1.88	-1.52	-1.37	0.86	-0.15	0.36
Total	-1.293	-8.086	1.535	-6.793	2.167	-4.754	-1.293
					± 0.109	± 0.058	± 0.062

isospin splittings: $M(QQu) - M(QQd)$

$$M(\Xi_{cc}^{+++}) - M(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = 1.41 \pm 0.12^{+0.76} \text{ MeV},$$

$$M(\Xi_{bb}^0) - M(\Xi_{bb}^-) = -4.78 \pm 0.06^{+0.03} \text{ MeV},$$

$$M(\Xi_{bc}^+) - M(\Xi_{bc}^0) = -1.69 \pm 0.07^{+0.39} \text{ MeV}.$$

1st errors: uncertainties in input mass splittings,
2nd errors : choice of constituent-quark masses.

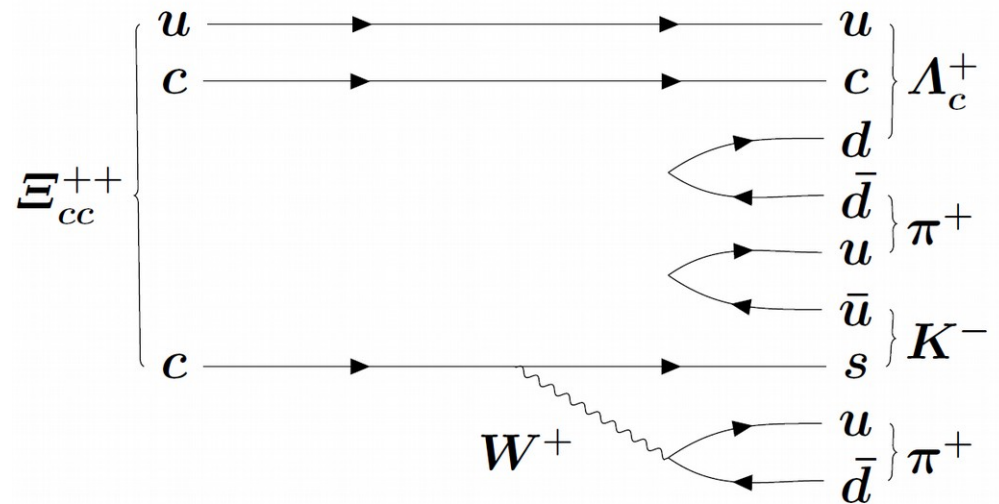
hadronic decay modes of QQq baryons

- $\Xi_{cc}^{+++} = ccu$

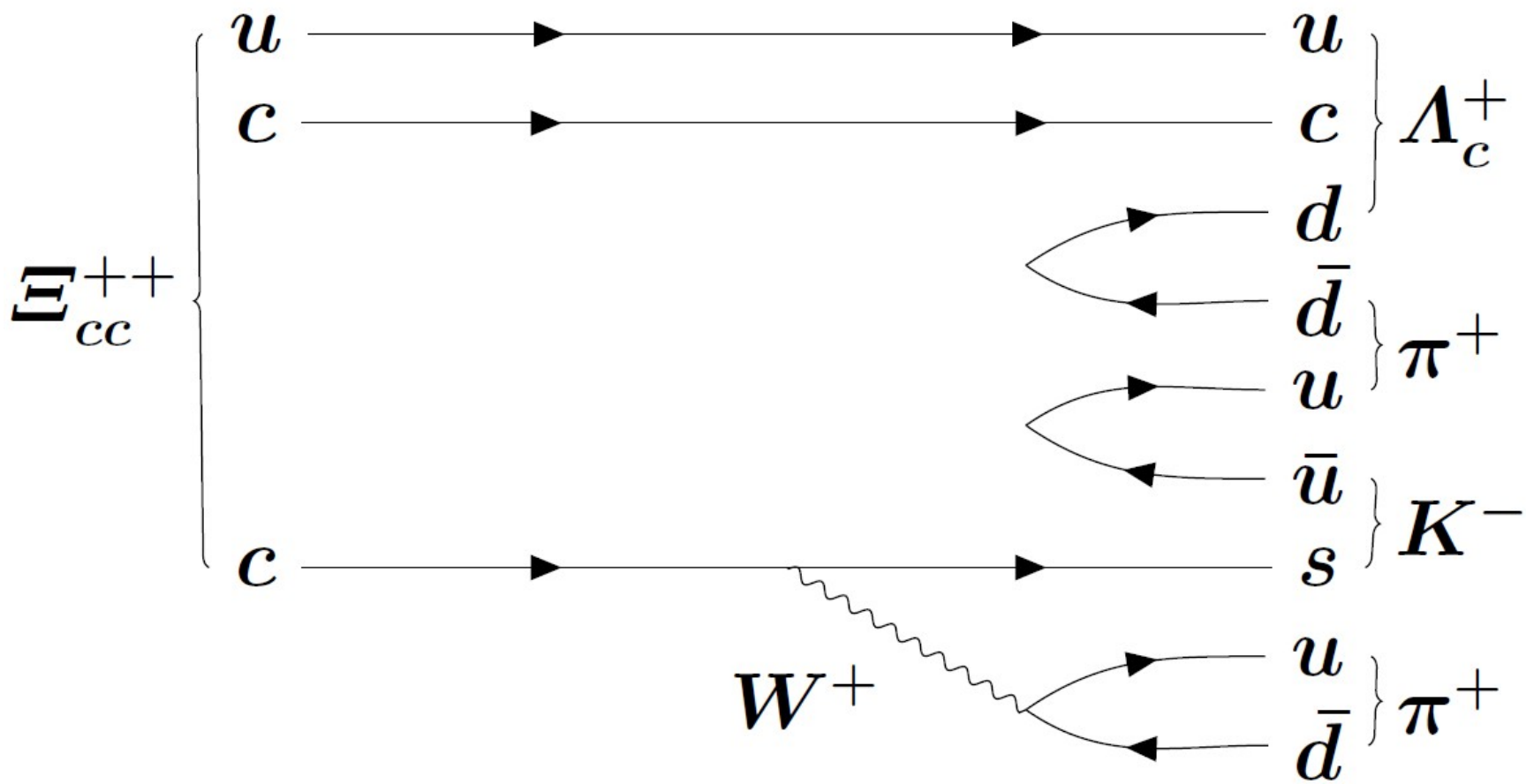
$$\Xi_{cc}^{+++} \rightarrow (csu)W^+ \rightarrow (csu)(\pi^+, \rho^+, a_a^+)$$

e.g.

$$\Xi_{cc}^{+++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c K^- 2\pi^+$$



$$\Xi_{cc}^{+++} \rightarrow \Xi^- 3\pi^+ \text{ (missed by CDF trigger)}$$



crude estimate of Ξ_{cc}^{++} lifetime:

assume two c quarks decay indep.

$(ccu) \rightarrow (csu) + e^+ \bar{\nu}_e, \mu^+ \bar{\nu}_\mu, (u\bar{d}) \times 3$ colors

with kinem. suppression factor,

$$F(x) = 1 - 8x + 8x^3 - x^4 + 12x^2 \ln(1/x),$$

$$x_{cc} \equiv [M(\Xi_c)/M(\Xi_{cc})]^2 = 0.4634,$$

and factor of 2 for each decaying c ,

$$\Gamma(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = \frac{10 G_F^2 M(\Xi_{cc})^5}{192\pi^3} F(x_{cc}) = 3.56 \times 10^{-12} \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = 185 \text{ fs.}$$

two compensating effects neglected:

(i) $\Xi_{cc} \rightarrow \Xi_c$ form factor,

(ii) csu excited states above Ξ_c^+ .

assumed $V_{ud} = V_{cs} = 1$

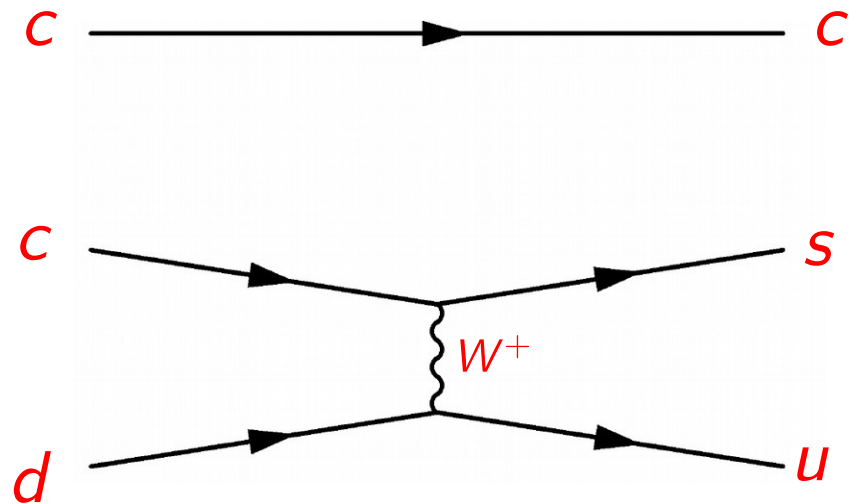
accurate to 10% for Qqq semilep. decays

$$\Xi_{cc}^+ = ccd:$$

in addition to $c \rightarrow sud$,

have $cd \rightarrow su$

$$\Rightarrow \tau(\Xi_{cc}^+) = 50 \div 100 \text{ fs} \ll \tau(\Xi_{cc}^{++})$$



- $\Xi_{bc}^+ = bcu$

$$b \rightarrow cd\bar{u}, cs\bar{c} \quad \text{and} \quad c \rightarrow sud\bar{d}$$

e.g. $\Xi_{bc} \rightarrow J/\psi \Xi_c$

$$\tau(\Xi_{bc}^+) \approx 240 \text{ fs}$$

- $\Xi_{bc}^0 = bcd$

cf. $\tau(\Xi_c^+) = (4.42 \pm 0.26) \times 10^{-13} \text{ s}$

vs. $\tau(\Xi_c^0) = (1.12_{-0.10}^{+0.13}) \times 10^{-13} \text{ s}$

$$\Rightarrow \tau(\Xi_{bc}^0) = 93 \text{ fs} \quad (\tau \text{ difference due to } cd \rightarrow su)$$

e.g. $\Xi_{bc}^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \Xi^0, J/\psi \Xi^- \pi^+$

- $\Xi_{bb}^+ = bbq$

$bu \rightarrow cd$ possible for $\Xi_{bb}^0 = bbu$,

but cf. $\tau(\Xi_b^0) \approx \tau(\Xi_b^-)$

so treat Ξ_{bb}^0 and Ξ_{bb}^- generically as Ξ_{bb}

$$\Rightarrow \tau(\Xi_{bb}) \approx 376 \text{ fs}$$

rare but spectacular decay mode:

$$(bbq) \rightarrow (\bar{c}cs)(\bar{c}cs)q \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi \Xi$$

doubly heavy baryons predicted lifetimes (fs)

Baryon	This work	[28]	[51]	[71]	[72]
$\Xi_{cc}^{+++} = ccu$	185	430 ± 100	460 ± 50	500	~ 200
$\Xi_{cc}^{+} = ccd$	53	120 ± 100	160 ± 50	150	~ 100
$\Xi_{bc}^{+} = bcu$	244	330 ± 80	300 ± 30	200	—
$\Xi_{bc}^{0} = bcd$	93	280 ± 70	270 ± 30	150	—
$\Xi_{bb}^{0} = bbu$	370	—	790 ± 20	—	—
$\Xi_{bb}^{-} = bbd$	370	—	800 ± 20	—	—

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rough estimate of Ξ_{cc} production rate

assume suppression due to $s \rightarrow c$
indep. of spectators, i.e.

Ξ_{cc} suppressed vs. Ξ_c as Ξ_c vs. Ξ :

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_{cc} + X) \sim \sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_c + X) \cdot \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_c + X)}{\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi + X)}$$

perhaps can generalize to Ξ_{bc} and Ξ_{bb} production rate

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_{bc} + X) \sim \sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_b + X) \cdot \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_c + X)}{\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi + X)}$$

or

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_{bc} + X) \sim \sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_c + X) \cdot \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_b + X)}{\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi + X)}$$

and

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_{bb} + X) \sim \sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_b + X) \cdot \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi_b + X)}{\sigma(pp \rightarrow \Xi + X)}$$

a possible way to check if Ξ_{bc} and B_c

production rates are comparable:

compare analogous prod. rates of Ξ_c and D_s

(or Ξ_b and B_s) in the same setup,

and large enough E_{CM}

be it e^+e^- , $\bar{p}p$ or pp



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Summary

- LHCb discovered first QQq baryon
 $\Xi_{cc}^{++} = (ccu)$
- $M(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = 3621.40 \pm 0.78$ MeV
vs. the predicted value
 $M(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = 3627 \pm 12$ MeV
- more predictions await testing:
lifetimes and masses
- TH goldmine : QQq vs. $\bar{Q}q$
QQ diquark picture ✓
- Outstanding TH challenge:
ph model from QCD

5 narrow exotic states close to meson-meson thresholds

state	mass MeV	width MeV	$\bar{Q}Q$ decay mode	phase space MeV	nearby threshold	ΔE MeV
$X(3872)$	3872	< 1.2	$J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$	495	$\bar{D}D^*$	< 1
$Z_b(10610)$	10608	21	$\gamma \pi$	1008	$\bar{B}B^*$	2 ± 2
$Z_b(10650)$	10651	10	$\gamma \pi$	1051	\bar{B}^*B^*	2 ± 2
$Z_c(3900)$	3900	24 – 46	$J/\psi \pi$	663	$\bar{D}D^*$	24
$Z_c(4020)$	4020	8 – 25	$J/\psi \pi$	783	\bar{D}^*D^*	6
\times					$\bar{D}D$	
\times					$\bar{B}B$	

- masses and widths approximate
- quarkonium decays mode listed have max phase space
- offset from threshold for orientation only, v. sensitive to exact mass

deuteron-like hadronic molecules

the binding mechanism can in principle
apply to any two heavy hadrons
which couple to isospin
and satisfy certain conditions,
be they mesons or baryons

doubly-heavy hadronic molecules:

most likely candidates with $Q\bar{Q}'$, $Q = c, b$, $\bar{Q}' = \bar{c}, \bar{b}$:

$D\bar{D}^*$, $D^*\bar{D}^*$, D^*B^* , $\bar{B}B^*$, \bar{B}^*B^* ,

$\Sigma_c\bar{D}^*$, $\Sigma_c B^*$, $\Sigma_b\bar{D}^*$, $\Sigma_b B^*$, the lightest of new kind:

$\Sigma_c\bar{\Sigma}_c$, $\Sigma_c\bar{\Lambda}_c$, $\Sigma_c\bar{\Lambda}_b$, $\Sigma_b\bar{\Sigma}_b$, $\Sigma_b\bar{\Lambda}_b$, and $\Sigma_b\bar{\Lambda}_c$. $P_c(4450)$

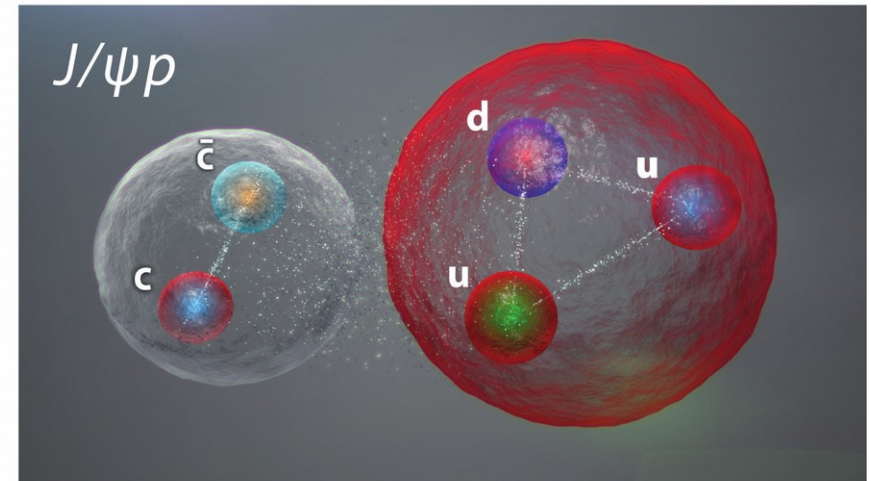
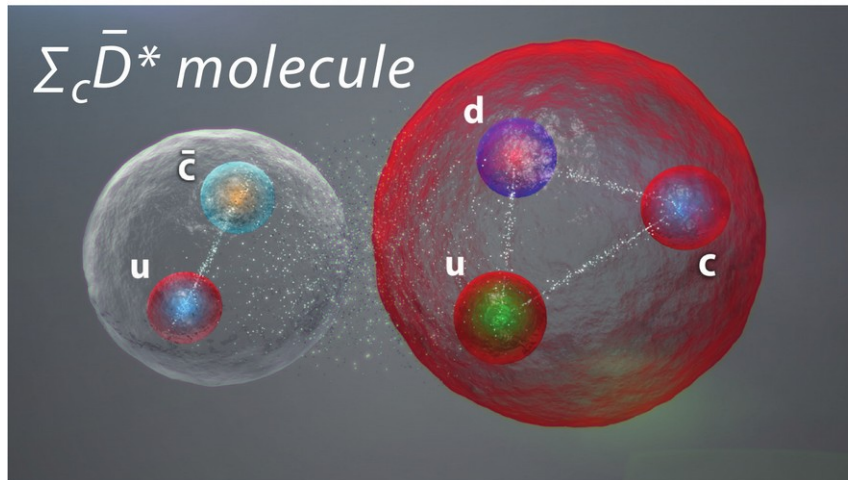
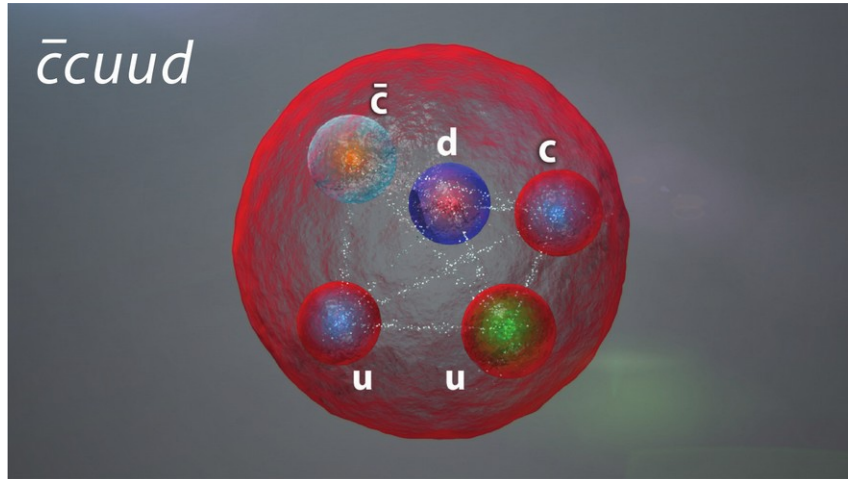
$c\bar{c}$ and $b\bar{b}$ states decay strongly to $\bar{c}c$ or $\bar{b}b$ and π -(s)

$b\bar{c}$ and $c\bar{b}$ states decay strongly to B_c^\pm and π -(s)

QQ' candidates – dibaryons:

$\Sigma_c\Sigma_c$, $\Sigma_c\Lambda_c$, $\Sigma_c\Lambda_b$, $\Sigma_b\Sigma_b$, $\Sigma_b\Lambda_b$, and $\Sigma_b\Lambda_c$.

Decay of a tightly bound pentaquark vs. hadronic molecule to $J/\psi p$



$$|\langle \Sigma_c \bar{D}^* | J/\psi p \rangle| \ll |\langle \bar{c}cuud | J/\psi p \rangle|$$

$QQ\bar{Q}\bar{Q}$ States

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Toolbox borrowed from QQq baryons

$M_{(cc\bar{c}\bar{c})} = 6,192 \pm 25$ MeV, 225 ± 25 MeV above $\eta_c\eta_c$

unlikely to be narrow, nor to have significant non-hadronic decays

$M_{(bb\bar{b}\bar{b})} = 18,826 \pm 25$ MeV, 28 ± 25 MeV above $\eta_b\eta_b$

could be narrow & exhibit non-hadronic decays if estim. $> 1\sigma$ high

production of an extra $Q\bar{Q}$: probability $\sim 0.1\%$

CMS (arXiv:1610.07095) sees double $\Upsilon(1S)$; production;
38 events, each $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$, in 20.7 fb^{-1} at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

\Rightarrow Inspect neutral 4ℓ final states for possible evidence
of $bb\bar{b}\bar{b}$ state; most likely $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$



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$$\Xi_c^+ = csu, \quad K^- = s\bar{u}$$

$$\Rightarrow css: \text{ excited } \Omega_c$$

Observation of five new narrow Ω_c^0 states decaying to $\Xi_c^+ K^-$

The LHCb collaboration[†]

Abstract

The $\Xi_c^+ K^-$ mass spectrum is studied with a sample of pp collision data corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 3.3 fb^{-1} , collected by the LHCb experiment. The Ξ_c^+ is reconstructed in the decay mode $pK^-\pi^+$. Five new, narrow excited Ω_c^0 states are observed: the $\Omega_c(3000)^0$, $\Omega_c(3050)^0$, $\Omega_c(3066)^0$, $\Omega_c(3090)^0$, and $\Omega_c(3119)^0$. Measurements of their masses and widths are reported.

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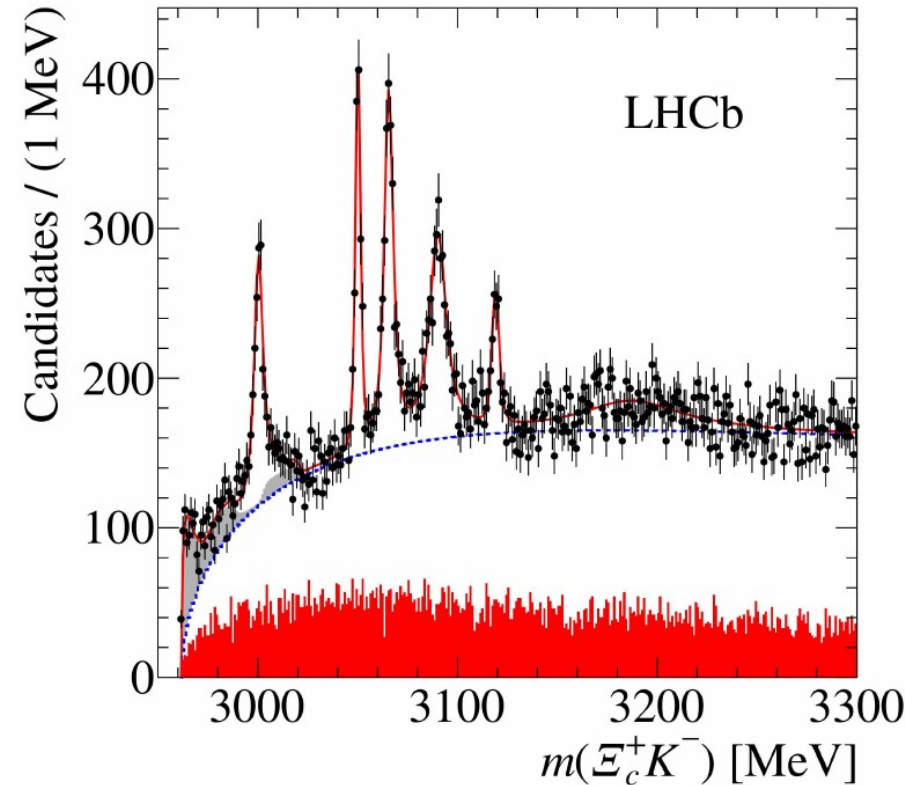
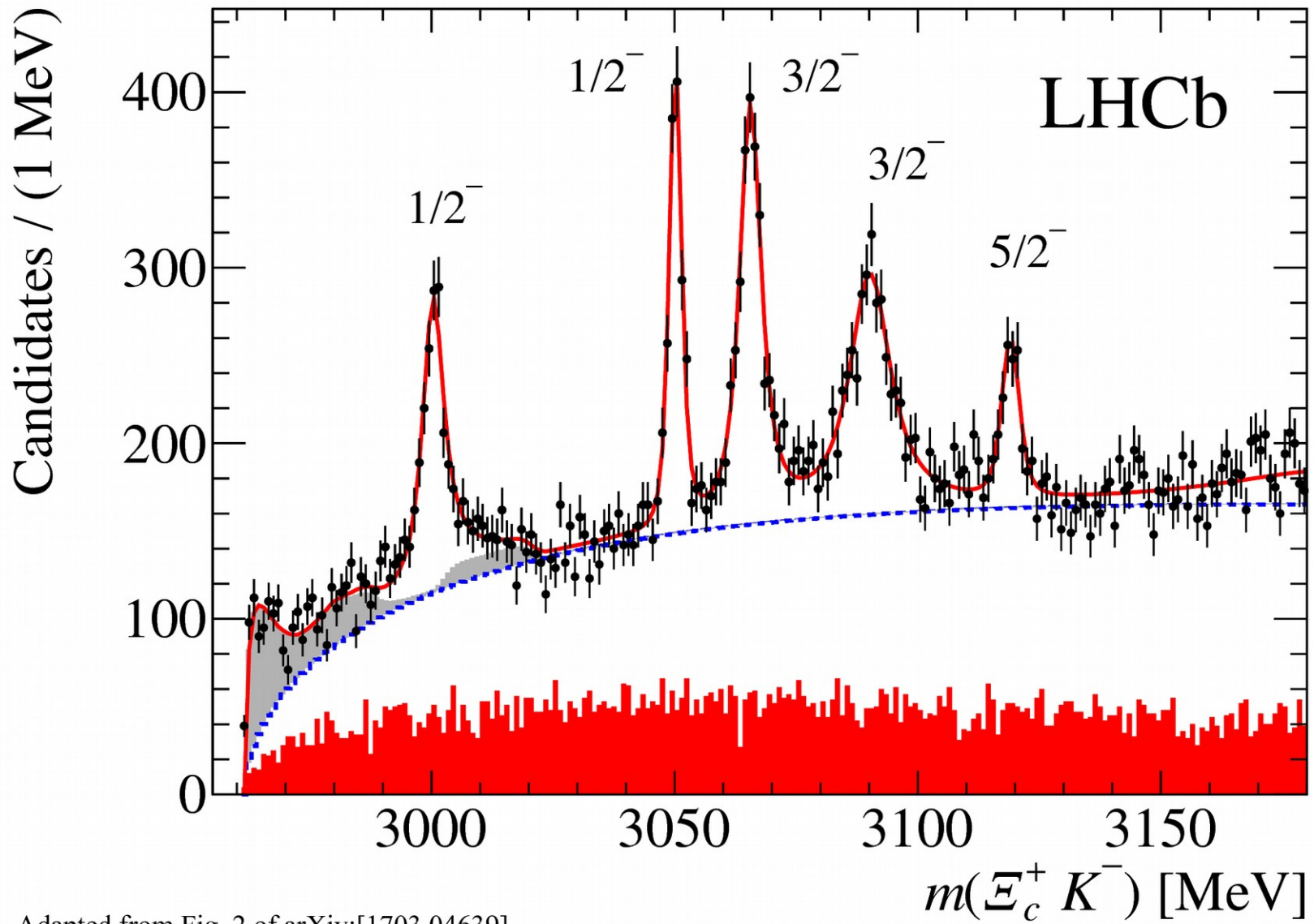


Figure 2: Distribution of the reconstructed invariant mass $m(\Xi_c^+ K^-)$ for all candidates passing the likelihood ratio selection; the solid (red) curve shows the result of the fit, and the dashed (blue) line indicates the fitted background. The shaded (red) histogram shows the corresponding mass spectrum from the Ξ_c^+ sidebands and the shaded (light gray) distributions indicate the feed-down from partially reconstructed $\Omega_c(X)^0$ resonances.

- interpret as bound states of a c -quark and a P -wave ss -diquark.
- ⇒ exactly 5 possible combinations of **S** and **L** splitting due to spin-orbit, spin-spin and tensor
- narrowness: diquark hard to split and/or D -wave suppression
- predict 5 states:
 $J^P = 1/2^-, 1/2^-, 3/2^-, 3/2^-, 5/2^-$
- assign to 5 observed resonances (*a priori* $5! = 120$ possibilities)
- Ω_b analogues
- alternative interpretations



Adapted from Fig. 2 of arXiv:[1703.04639]

spin-dependent potential
between a heavy quark Q and the (ss) spin-1 diquark

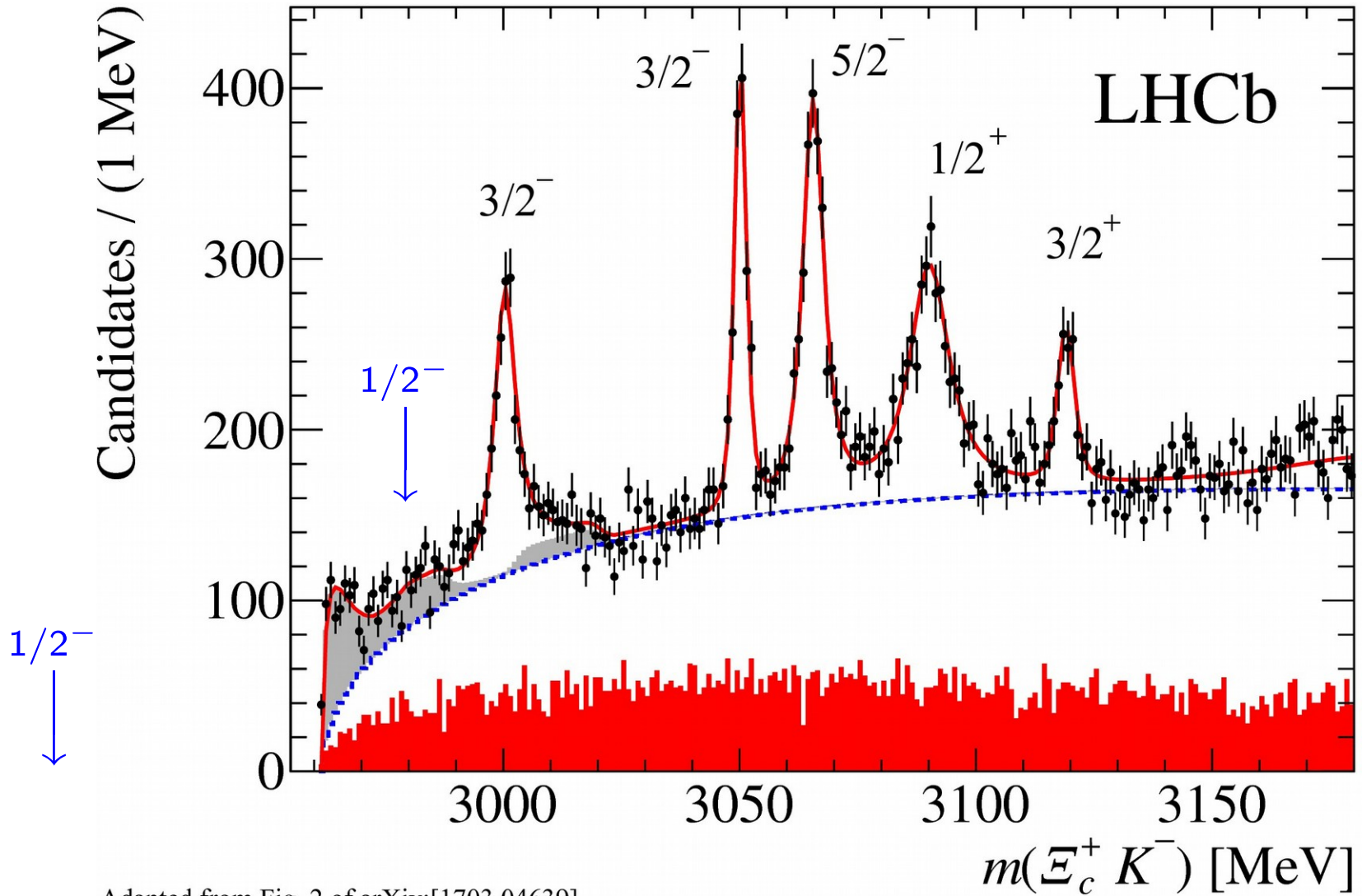
$$\begin{aligned} V_{SD} &= a_1 \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{S}_{ss} + a_2 \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{S}_Q \\ &+ b[-\mathbf{S}_{ss} \cdot \mathbf{S}_Q + 3(\mathbf{S}_{ss} \cdot \mathbf{r})(\mathbf{S}_Q \cdot \mathbf{r})/r^2] \\ &+ c \mathbf{S}_{ss} \cdot \mathbf{S}_Q , \end{aligned}$$

\mathbf{L} = angular momentum = 1

\mathbf{S}_{ss} = ss diquark spin = 1

\mathbf{S}_Q = heavy quark spin = 1/2

alternate J^P assignment



Adapted from Fig. 2 of arXiv:[1703.04639]

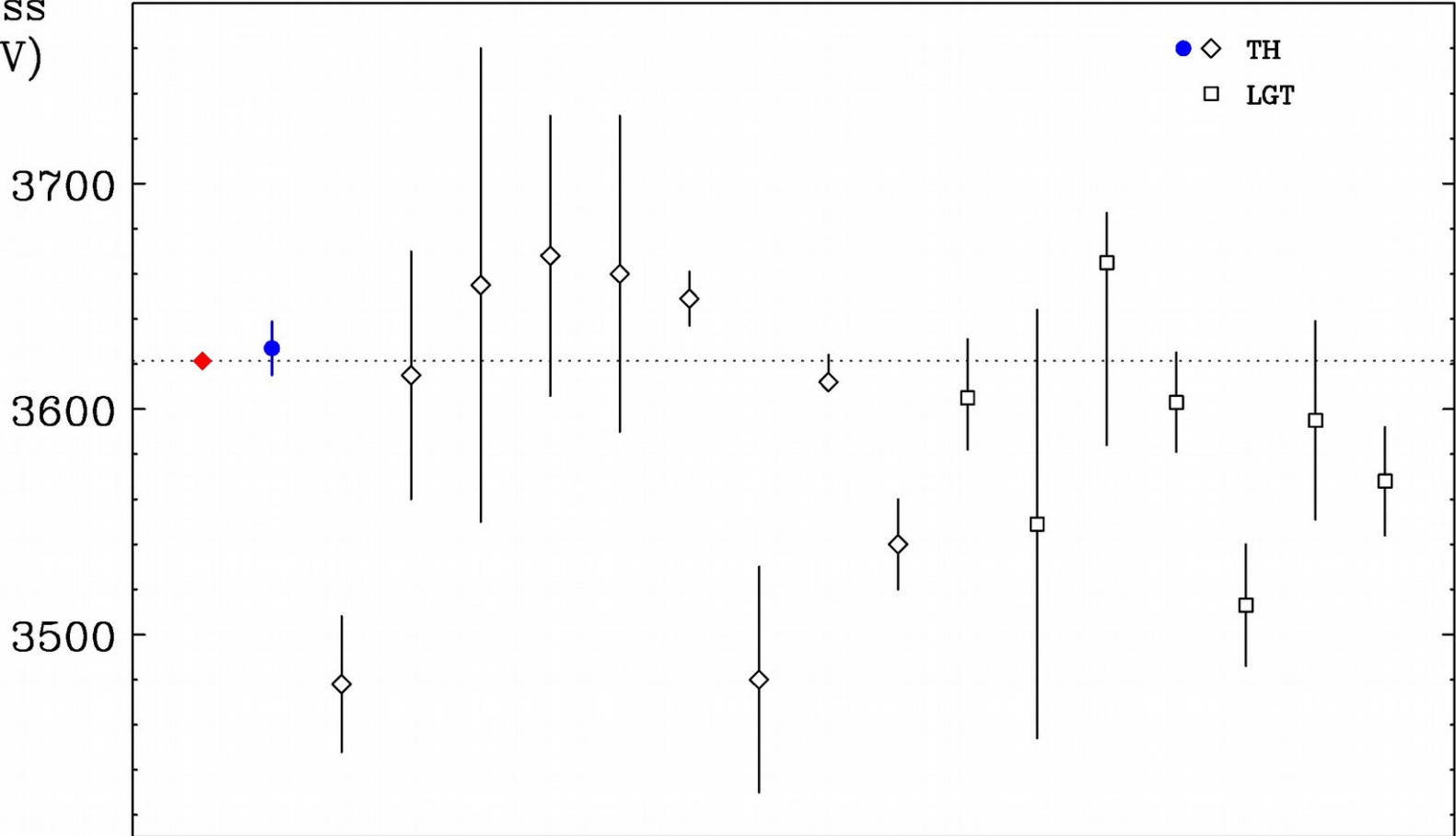
Upshot on new Ω_c states

- LHCb: 5 new excited Ω_c states: v. narrow & v. high stats
- interpret as 5 states expected in P -wave $c(ss)$ system :
 $J^P = 1/2^-, 1/2^-, 3/2^-, 3/2^-, 5/2^-$
awaits exp. confirmation, spin & parity meas.
- if instead 2 highest states are $2S$, $1/2^+$ and $3/2^+$
then 3 lowest are likely $J^P = 3/2^-, 3/2^-, 5/2^-$
- then expect $1/2^-$ near 2978 MeV $\rightarrow \Xi_c^+ K^-$ in S -wave
and $1/2^-$ near 2904 MeV $\rightarrow \Omega_c$ and/or Ω_c/π^0
- predictions for excited Ω_b -s in $b(ss)$ system

Supplementary transparencies

ccu baryon discovery: TH vs EXP

M_{ccu}
mass
(MeV)



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Table VIII. Masses of ground-state baryons with double charm, calculated either with a potential model (Eq. (25)) or with the bag model, using the parameter given in Eq. (28).

		Potential	Bag
<i>ccq</i>	E_{cc}	3.613	3.516
	E_{cc}^*	3.741	3.636
<i>ccs</i>	Ω_{cc}	3.703	3.657
	Ω_{cc}^*	3.835	3.805

TABLE I. Quark model description of ground-state baryons containing u , d , s . Here we take $m_u^b = m_d^b \equiv m_q^b = 363$ MeV, $m_s^b = 538$ MeV, and hyperfine interaction term $a/(m_q^b)^2 = 50$ MeV.

State (mass in MeV)	Spin	Expression for mass [24]	Predicted mass (MeV)
$N(939)$	$1/2$	$3m_q^b - 3a/(m_q^b)^2$	939
$\Delta(1232)$	$3/2$	$3m_q^b + 3a/(m_q^b)^2$	1239
$\Lambda(1116)$	$1/2$	$2m_q^b + m_s^b - 3a/(m_q^b)^2$	1114
$\Sigma(1193)$	$1/2$	$2m_q^b + m_s^b + a/(m_q^b)^2 - 4a/m_q^b m_s^b$	1179
$\Sigma(1385)$	$3/2$	$2m_q^b + m_s^b + a/(m_q^b)^2 + 2a/m_q^b m_s^b$	1381
$\Xi(1318)$	$1/2$	$2m_s^b + m_q^b + a/(m_s^b)^2 - 4a/m_q^b m_s^b$	1327
$\Xi(1530)$	$3/2$	$2m_s^b + m_q^b + a/(m_s^b)^2 + 2a/m_q^b m_s^b$	1529
$\Omega(1672)$	$3/2$	$3m_s^b + 3a/(m_s^b)^2$	1682

The average magnitude of the errors in this description is about 5 MeV.

TABLE III. Relative attraction or repulsion $\langle T_1 \cdot T_2 \rangle$ of quarks $Q\bar{Q}$ or QQ in various states.

State	Color	$\langle T_1 \cdot T_2 \rangle$
$Q\bar{Q}$	1	$-4/3$
$Q\bar{Q}$	8	$1/6$
QQ	3^*	$-2/3$
QQ	6	$1/3$

TABLE IV. Quark model description of ground-state baryons containing one charmed quark. Here we take $m_u^b = m_d^b \equiv m_q^b = 363$ MeV, $m_s^b = 538$ MeV, $m_c^b = 1710.5$ MeV, and $a/(m_q^b)^2 = 50$ MeV. The spin of the qs pair is taken to be zero in Ξ_c and one in Ξ'_c .

State (M in MeV)	Spin	Expression for mass	Predicted M (MeV)
$\Lambda_c(2286.5)$	1/2	$2m_q^b + m_c^b - 3a/(m_q^b)^2$	Input
$\Sigma_c(2453.4)$	1/2	$2m_q^b + m_c^b + a/(m_q^b)^2 - 4a/(m_q^b m_c^b)$	2444.0
$\Sigma_c^*(2518.1)$	3/2	$2m_q^b + m_c^b + a/(m_q^b)^2 + 2a/(m_q^b m_c^b)$	2507.7
$\Xi_c(2469.3)$	1/2	$B(cs) + m_q^b + m_s^b + m_c^b - 3a/(m_q^b m_s^b)$	2475.3
$\Xi'_c(2575.8)$	1/2	$B(cs) + m_q^b + m_s^b + m_c^b + a/(m_q^b m_s^b) - 2a/(m_q^b m_c^b) - 2a_{cs}/(m_s^b m_c^b)$	2565.4
$\Xi_c^*(2645.9)$	3/2	$B(cs) + m_q^b + m_s^b + m_c^b + a/(m_q^b m_s^b) + a/(m_q^b m_c^b) + a_{cs}/(m_s^b m_c^b)$	2632.6
$\Omega_c(2695.2)$	1/2	$2B(cs) + 2m_s^b + m_c^b + a/(m_s^b)^2 - 4a_{cs}/(m_s^b m_c^b)$	2692.1 ^a
$\Omega_c^*(2765.9)$	3/2	$2B(cs) + 2m_s^b + m_c^b + a/(m_s^b)^2 + 2a_{cs}/(m_s^b m_c^b)$	2762.8 ^a

^aDifference between experimental values used to determine $6a_{cs}/(m_s^b m_c^b) = 70.7$ MeV.

The average magnitude of the errors in the predictions of Table IV is about 9 MeV, not much higher than that for the light-quark baryons in Table I.

TABLE VI. Quark model description of ground-state baryons containing one bottom quark. Here we take $m_u^b = m_d^b \equiv m_q^b = 363$ MeV, $m_s^b = 538$ MeV, $m_b^b = 5043.5$ MeV, and $a/(m_q^b)^2 = 50$ MeV. The spin of the qs pair is taken to be zero in Ξ_b and one in Ξ'_b . The parameter a_{bs} is rescaled from a in the same manner as for charmed baryons: $a_{bs} = a_{cs} = (70.7/43.0)a$.

State (M in MeV)	Spin	Expression for mass	Predicted M (MeV)
$\Lambda_b(5619.5)$	1/2	$2m_q^b + m_b^b - 3a/(m_q^b)^2$	Input
$\Sigma_b(5814.3)$	1/2	$2m_q^b + m_b^b + a/(m_q^b)^2 - 4a/(m_q^b m_b^b)$	5805.1
$\Sigma_b^*(5833.8)$	3/2	$2m_q^b + m_b^b + a/(m_q^b)^2 + 2a/(m_q^b m_b^b)$	5826.7
$\Xi_b(5792.7)$	1/2	$B(bs) + m_q^b + m_s^b + m_b^b - 3a/(m_q^b m_s^b)$	5801.5
$\Xi'_b(-)$	1/2	$B(bs) + m_q^b + m_s^b + m_b^b + a/(m_q^b m_s^b) - 2a/(m_q^b m_b^b) - 2a_{bs}/(m_s^b m_b^b)$	5921.3
$\Xi_b^*(5949.7)$	3/2	$B(bs) + m_q^b + m_s^b + m_b^b + a/(m_q^b m_s^b) + a/(m_q^b m_b^b) + a_{bs}/(m_s^b m_b^b)$	5944.1
$\Omega_b(6046.4)$	1/2	$2B(bs) + 2m_s^b + m_b^b + a/(m_s^b)^2 - 4a_{bs}/(m_s^b m_b^b)$	6042.8
$\Omega_b^*(-)$	3/2	$2B(bs) + 2m_s^b + m_b^b + a/(m_s^b)^2 + 2a_{bs}/(m_s^b m_b^b)$	6066.7

The average magnitude of errors in predictions of Table VI is about 8 MeV, a bit below that for charmed baryons in Table IV. We shall use these two errors and those in Table I to extrapolate to the case of two heavy quarks, estimating prediction errors of 12 MeV for $M(\Xi_{cc})$ and $M(\Xi_{bb})$. For $M(\Xi_{bc})$ an additional systematic error is associated with ignorance of the $B_c - B_c^*$ splitting.

TABLE VIII. Comparison of predictions for $M(\Xi_{cc})$. Here KS stands for Kogut-Susskind; LGT stands for lattice gauge theory.

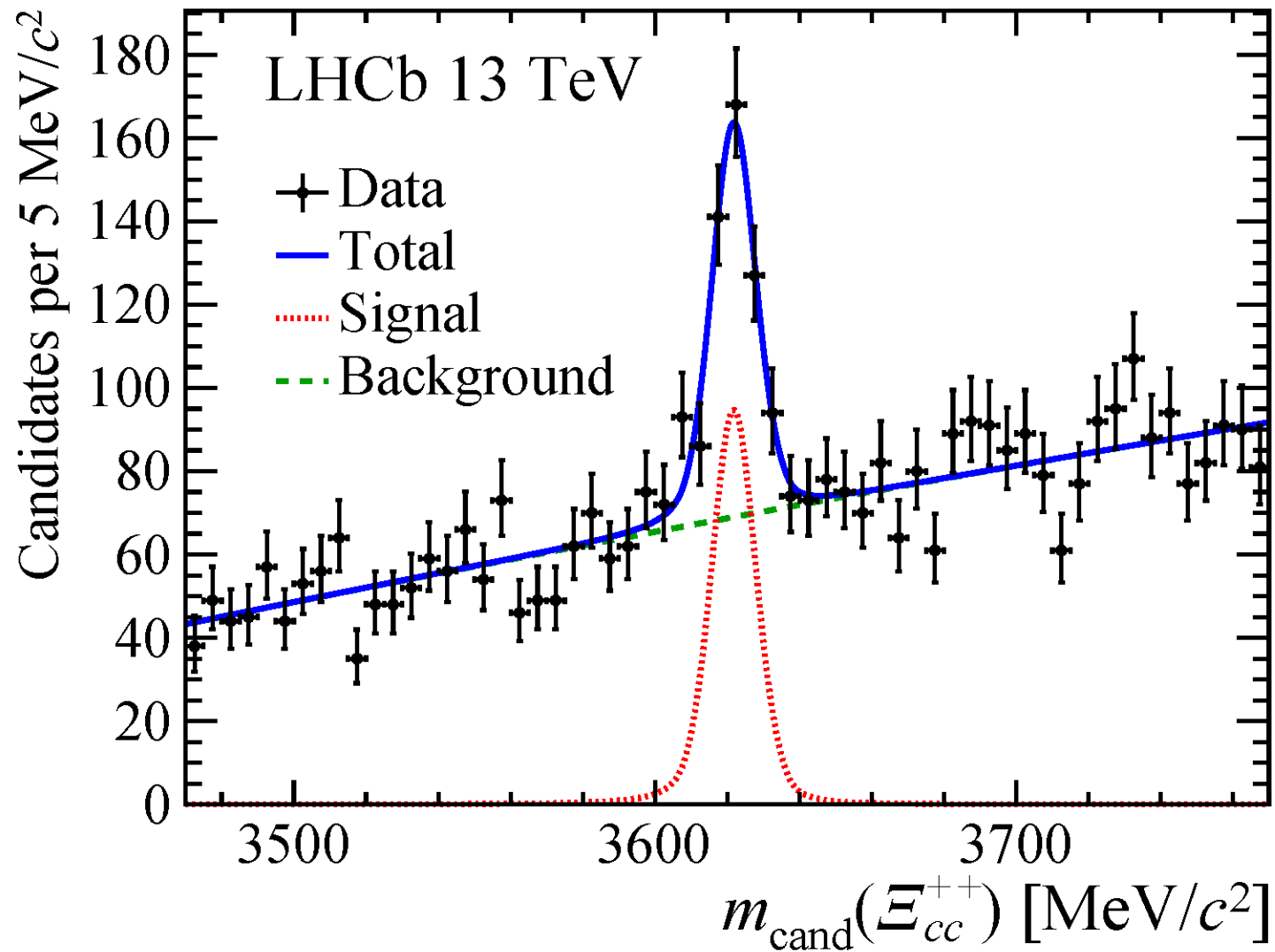
Reference	Value (MeV)	Method
Present work	3627 ± 12	
[23]	3550–3760	QCD-motivated quark model
[25]	3668 ± 62	QCD-motivated quark model
[28]	3651	QCD-motivated quark model
[42]	3613	Potential and bag models
[43]	3630	Potential model
[44]	3610	Heavy-quark effective theory
[45]	3660 ± 70	Feynman-Hellmann + semiempirical formulas
[46]	3676	Mass sum rules
[47]	3660	Relativistic quasipotential quark model
[48]	3607	Three-body Faddeev equations.
[49]	3527	Bootstrap quark model + Faddeev Eqs
[50]	$ucc: 3649 \pm 12, dcc: 3644 \pm 12$	Quark model
[51]	3480 ± 50	Potential approach + QCD sum rules
[52]	3690	Nonperturbative string
[53]	3620	Relativistic quark-diquark
[54]	3520	Bag model
[55]	3643	Potential model
[56]	3642	Relativistic quark model + Bethe-Salpeter
[57]	3612^{+17}	Variational
[58]	3678	Quark model
[59]	3540 ± 20	Instantaneous approx + Bethe-Salpeter
[60]	4260 ± 190	QCD sum rules
[61]	$3608(15)_{(35)}^{(13)}, 3595(12)_{(22)}^{(21)}$	Quenched lattice
[62]	$3549(13)(19)(92)$	Quenched lattice
[63]	$3665 \pm 17 \pm 14_{-78}^{+0}$	Lattice, domain-wall + KS fermions
[64]	$3603(15)(16)$	Lattice, $N_f = 2 + 1$
[65]	$3513(23)(14)$	LGT, twisted mass ferm., $m_\pi = 260$ MeV
[66]	$3595(39)(20)(6)$	LGT, $N_f = 2 + 1$, $m_\pi = 200$ MeV
[67]	$3568(14)(19)(1)$	LGT, $N_f = 2 + 1$, $m_\pi = 210$ MeV

TABLE IX. Contributions to the mass of the lightest baryon Ξ_{bb} with two bottom quarks.

Contribution	Value (MeV)
$2m_b^b + m_q^b$	10450.0
bb binding	-281.4
$a_{bb}/(m_b^b)^2$	7.8
$-4a/m_q^b m_b^b$	-14.4
Total	10162 ± 12

TABLE X. Comparison of predictions for $M(\Xi_{bb})$.

Reference	Value (MeV)	Method
Present work	10162 ± 12	
[25]	10294 ± 131	QCD-motivated quark model
[28]	10235	QCD-motivated quark model
[43]	10210	Potential models
[45]	10340 ± 100	Feynman-Hellmann+ semiempirical formulas
[47]	10230	Relativistic quasipotential quark model
[51]	10090 ± 50	Potential approach and QCD sum rules
[52]	10160	Nonperturbative string
[54]	10272	Bag model
[58]	10322	Quark model
[59]	10185 ± 5	Instantaneous approx + Bethe-Salpeter
[60]	9780 ± 70	QCD sum rules
[68]	10045	Coupled channel formalism



in total 313 ± 13 candidates