

Recent results from LHCb

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The LHCb experiment

The LHCb experiment: precision studies of b and c -hadron decays (CP violation, rare decays) \rightarrow test SM/indirect evidence of NP

Requirements:

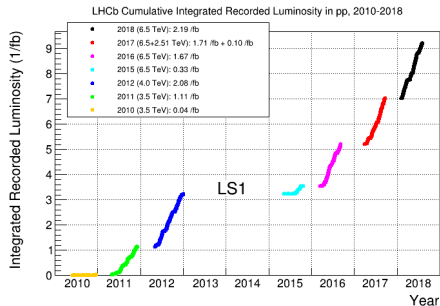
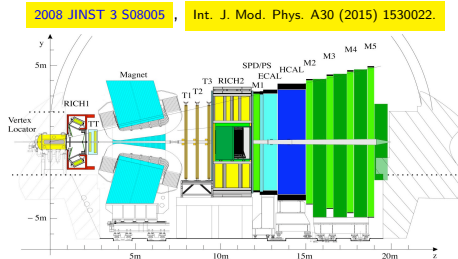
- High yield \rightarrow efficient trigger and selection, large production cross sections: $\sigma_{bb}^- \sim 110 \mu\text{b}$, [arXiv:1612.05140](#), $\sigma_{\bar{c}c} \sim 2.4\text{mb}$, [arXiv:1510.01707](#), @13 TeV in LHCb acpt.
- Low background \rightarrow mass resolution, particle identification

LHCb detector:

- Vertexing&Tracking: excellent resolutions
- Particle identification: $\pi/K/p$ (RICH), $\pi/e/\gamma$ (E/HCAL), μ (MUON)
- Trigger: L0 (hardware: high p_T e/γ /hadron/ μ candidates), HLT1&HLT2 (software)
 - (since Run2) perform an almost run-time detector alignment and calibration

Data Taking:

- operating at a levelled inst. lumi $\mathcal{L} \sim 4 \times 10^{32} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
- Run1: $\int \mathcal{L} = 3 \text{fb}^{-1}$ @7 and 8 TeV
- Run2: $\int \mathcal{L} \simeq 6 \text{fb}^{-1}$ @13 TeV ($\times 2 \sigma_{bb}$ and increased trigger efficiency)



Selection of most recent/relevant/interesting LHCb measurements:

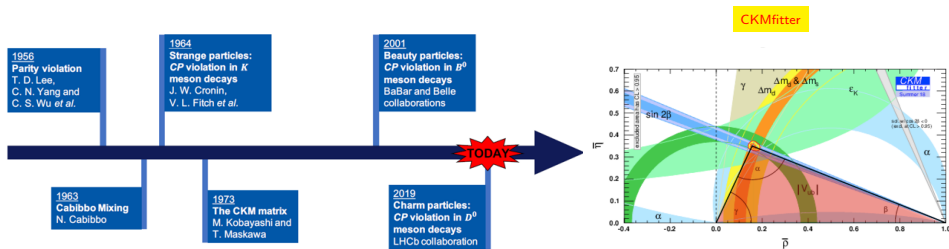
- **CP violation** in b and c -hadron decays
- **Precision** measurements of **heavy-flavor hadron** properties
- **Hadron spectroscopy**

Not covered by this talk:

- **Tests of fundamental symmetries (LFU)** → see the talk by Jacopo Pinzino this afternoon
- **QCD, Jets** → see the talk by Christine Angela Aidala this afternoon
- Rare decays
- Heavy Ion & fixed-target physics results
- Electroweak measurements

see [the LHCb public results](#) web page for more information

CP violation



CP violation is one of the key ingredients needed to explain why today's universe is only composed of matter particles

- is described by the Standard Model through one parameter in the CKM matrix, but insufficient
- was established experimentally in K and B meson decays since many years
- is expected to be **tiny** in **charm meson decays**: $10^{-3} - 10^{-4}$
- physics beyond the the SM (NP) could contribute to CP violation

CP violation: first observation of CP violation in D^0 meson decays

CP violation may manifest itself in decays where two or more amplitudes with different weak-phases interfere.

The asymmetry in the decays of D^0 and \bar{D}^0 to a common final state

$$A_{CP}(f) = \frac{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow f) - \Gamma(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow f)}{\Gamma(D^0 \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(\bar{D}^0 \rightarrow f)} \sim a_{CP}^{dir} - \frac{\langle t(f) \rangle}{\tau(D^0)} a_{CP}^{ind}$$

is sensitive to both **direct** ($|\bar{A}_f|^2 \neq |A_f|^2$) and **indirect CPV** (through $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$ mixing or the interference between decay and mixing)

Time integrated measurement:

- huge statistics of D^0 from either **prompt** $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^+$ or $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^0 \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu X$ decays
- efficient D^0 **tagging**
- large suppression of the systematic uncertainties by measuring

$$\Delta A_{CP} = A_{CP}(K^+ K^-) - A_{CP}(\pi^+ \pi^-)$$

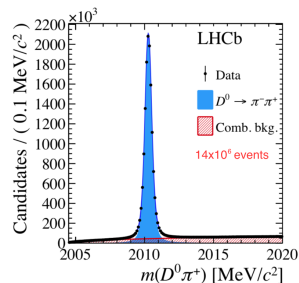
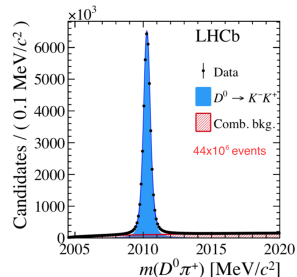
result (including previous LHCb measurement, Run1)

$$\Delta A_{CP} = (-15.2 \pm 2.9) \times 10^{-4} \text{ deviates from 0 by } > 5\sigma$$

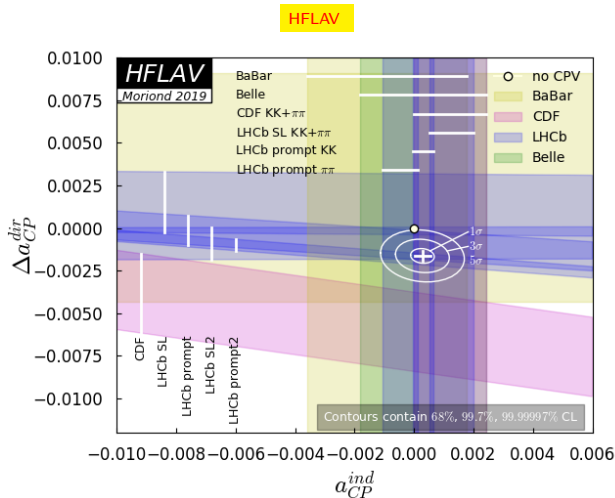
first observation of CPV in charm decays involving up-type quarks
roughly compatible with SM predictions (uncertainties)

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$\int \mathcal{L} = 5.9 \text{ fb}^{-1} - \text{Run2}$



CP violation: first observation of CP violation in D^0 meson decays



Results from a global fit

Agreement with no CP violation CL = 5.4×10^{-8}

ΔA_{CP}^{dir} deviates from 0 by $> 5\sigma$

a_{CP}^{ind} consistent with 0 within 1σ

$$\Delta A_{CP} \sim \Delta a_{CP}^{dir} + \frac{\Delta \langle t \rangle}{\tau(D^0)} a_{CP}^{ind}$$

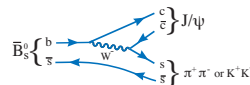
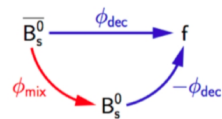
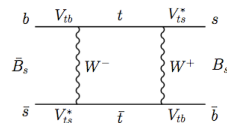
CP violation in B_s^0 decays: measuring the mixing-induced phase ϕ_s

- In the SM neutral B_s^0 meson can oscillate to its antiparticle via short-distance box-diagram.
- Mixing-induced CP violation can arise in the interference of the decay amplitudes to a common final state f with or without mixing and is measured by the asymmetry:

$$A_{CP}(f, t) = \frac{\Gamma(B_s^0(t) \rightarrow f) - \Gamma(\bar{B}_s^0(t) \rightarrow f)}{\Gamma(B_s^0(t) \rightarrow f) + \Gamma(\bar{B}_s^0(t) \rightarrow f)} \sim \eta_f \sin \phi_s \sin(\Delta m_s t)$$

where $\phi_s = -\text{Arg}\left(\frac{q}{p} \frac{\bar{A}_f}{A_f}\right)$ contains contributions from both the mixing and the decay

- For decays dominated by a single weak transition $\phi_s = \phi_{\text{mix}} - 2\phi_{\text{dec}}$ and can be expressed in terms of CKM matrix elements.
- $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ and $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ decays are dominated by $\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{c} c s$ transitions^a. $\phi_s = 2\text{Arg}((V_{ts} V_{tb}^*) / (V_{cs} V_{cb}^*)) = -2\beta_s$ (UT angle) is precisely known $\phi_s^{SM} = (-37.0 \pm 1.0)$ mrad **UTfit**
- Any possible contribution of NP in the mixing can cause a deviation from $-2\beta_s$: $\phi_s = -2\beta_s + \Delta\phi_s^{NP} + \Delta\phi_s^{\text{Penguin}}$



(^a) The contribution of penguin or other transitions is measured to be small **Phys. Lett. B742 (2015) 38**

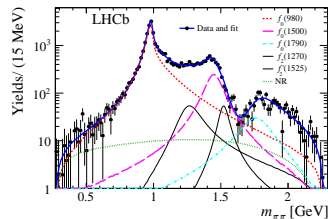
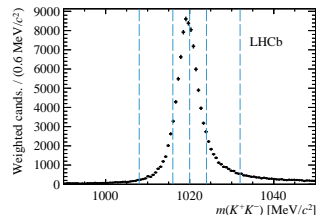
CP violation in B_s^0 decays: improved measurements of the mixing-induced phase ϕ_s

Two decay channels:

- $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ [arXiv:1906.08356](#)
different CP eigenstates contributing
- $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ [arXiv:1903.05530](#)
wide range of $m(\pi^+ \pi^-)$ (several resonances), mainly CP-odd
- 1.9 fb $^{-1}$ of Run2 data

Time-dependent tagged and angular analysis:

- High yields, low background
- Excellent decay-time resolution $\sigma_t \sim 45$ fs
- Efficiency to tag the initial B_s^0/\bar{B}_s^0 flavour $\sim 5.0\%$



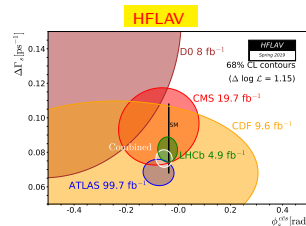
results (combined with previous LHCb measurements, Run1)

LHCb combination: $\phi_s = (-41 \pm 25)$ mrad

HFLAV combination: $\phi_s = (-55 \pm 21)$ mrad

SM predictions: $\phi_s^{SM} = (-37.0 \pm 1.0)$ mrad (UTfit)
will approach SM precision after Upgrade Phase II

also sensitive to $\Gamma_s = 0.6562 \pm 0.0021 \text{ ps}^{-1}$, $\Delta\Gamma_s = 0.0816 \pm 0.0048 \text{ ps}^{-1}$, $|\lambda| = 0.993 \pm 0.010$



CP violation in $B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi\phi$ decays: measurement of the mixing-induced phase $\phi_s^{s\bar{s}s}$

$B_s^0 \rightarrow \phi\phi$ decay is a $b \rightarrow s\bar{s}s$ FCNC process that can proceed only via gluonic penguin diagrams
 → enhanced sensitivity to possible NP contributions.

$$A_{CP}(f, t) \sim \eta_f \sin \phi_s^{s\bar{s}s} \sin(\Delta m_s t)$$

- SM predictions $|\phi_s^{s\bar{s}s}| < 20\text{mrad}$ [arXiv:0810.0249](#), [Phys. Rev. D 80 \(2009\) 114026](#)
- Measuring a different value of $\phi_s^{s\bar{s}s}$ from expectations would be a clear indication of NP

Time-dependent tagged and angular analysis similar to that for $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$

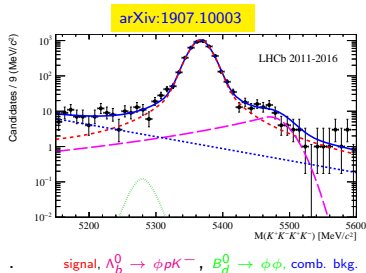
- Different CP eigenstates contributing
- $\phi\phi$ reconstruction more complicated
- Background contribution suppressed thanks to excellent PID and mass resolution
- Excellent decay-time resolution $\sigma_t \sim 43$ fs
- Efficiency to tag the initial B_s^0/\bar{B}_s^0 flavour $\sim 5.7\%$

results

$$\phi_s^{s\bar{s}s} = -73 \pm 115(\text{stat}) \pm 27(\text{syst}) \text{ mrad}$$

$$|\lambda| = 0.99 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.01$$

consistent with SM expectations, improved measurement will eventually reveal NP



Precision measurement of $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$ mixing

In the SM D^0 can oscillate to \bar{D}^0 (and viceversa) via short-distance box-diagram.

- Physical mass eigenstates are a mixture of flavor eigenstates:

$$D_{1,2} = p|D^0\rangle \pm q|\bar{D}^0\rangle$$

with mass $m_{1,2}$ and width $\Gamma_{1,2}$

- Oscillation rate depends on (assuming CP conservation):

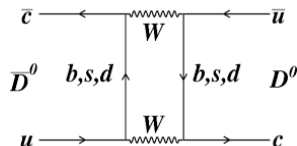
$$x \equiv \frac{(m_1 - m_2)c^2}{\Gamma} \quad \text{and} \quad y \equiv \frac{(\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2)}{2\Gamma}$$

Expectation:

- $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$ mixing short-distance transitions are very small (CKM-suppressed and GIM).
- Long distance processes should dominate (but difficult to calculate).

Measurements WA **HFLAV**:

- $x = (3.6_{-1.6}^{+2.1}) \times 10^{-3}$, $y = (6.7_{-1.3}^{+0.6}) \times 10^{-3}$
- and are consistent with CP conservation in mixing: $|q/p|=0.94_{-0.07}^{+0.17}$, $\phi = \text{Arg}(q/p) = -0.13_{-0.17}^{+0.26}$



Precision measurement of $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$ mixing

Use self-conjugate multibody $D^0 \rightarrow K_s^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ decays

- from prompt D^* (π -tagged) and b -hadron decays (μ -tagged)
- novel model-independent approach (bin-flip):
 - Ratios between decays reconstructed in bins of phase-space regions and decay-time
 - Minimize need of external decay model or accurate efficiency
 - External inputs from CLEO.

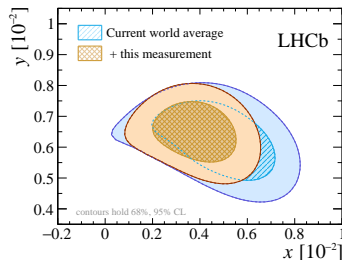
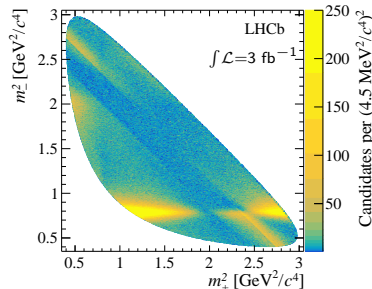
CP-averaged results

$y_{CP} = [7.4 \pm 3.6(\text{stat}) \pm 1.1(\text{syst})] \times 10^{-3}$
 $x_{CP} = [2.7 \pm 1.6(\text{stat}) \pm 0.4(\text{syst})] \times 10^{-3}$ most precise
 single measurement, still consistent with zero.

New global average $x = (3.9^{+1.1}_{-1.2}) \times 10^{-3} \rightarrow$ **first evidence of nonzero mass difference**

Global constraints improve also CP parameters $|q/p|$ and ϕ .

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Precision measurements of heavy flavor hadrons

LHCb is a factory of heavy flavor hadrons. Precision measurement of the lifetime of charmed baryons Ω_c^0 , Λ_c^+ , Ξ_c^+ and Ξ_c^0 .

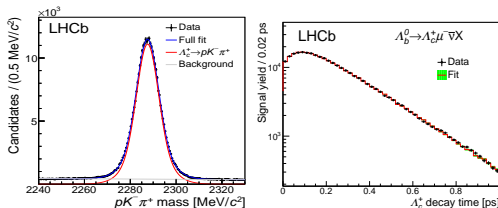
Theoretical predictions based on HQE (expansions in m_Q) + higher order (non perturbative, due to spectator quarks) [Phys. Rev. D88 \(2013\) 034004](#), [Phys. Rept. 289 \(1997\) 1](#)

- Use semileptonic b -hadron decays $H_b \rightarrow H_c \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu X$ (Run1)

- $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$
- $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$
- $\Omega_c^0 \rightarrow p K^+ K^- \pi^+$
- $\Xi_c^0 \rightarrow p K^+ K^- \pi^+$

Larger statistics of signal than any previous measurements.

- Measure lifetime relative to that of the D^+ (reduce systematic uncertainties)



[Phys. Rev. D100 \(2019\) 032001](#)

[Phys. Rev. Lett. 121 \(2018\) 092003](#)

results:

$$\tau_{\Xi_c^+} = 456.8 \pm 3.5 \pm 2.9 \pm 3.1 \text{ fs}$$

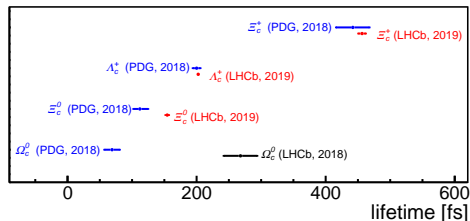
$$\tau_{\Lambda_c^+} = 203.5 \pm 1.0 \pm 1.3 \pm 1.4 \text{ fs}$$

$$\tau_{\Xi_c^0} = 154.5 \pm 1.7 \pm 1.6 \pm 1.0 \text{ fs} \quad 3.3\sigma \text{ from PDG}$$

$$\tau_{\Omega_c^0} = 268 \pm 24 \pm 10 \pm 2 \text{ fs} \quad 4\times \text{ the previous WA}$$

Changes lifetime hierarchy: $\tau_{\Xi_c^+} > \tau_{\Omega_c^0} > \tau_{\Lambda_c^+} > \tau_{\Xi_c^0}$

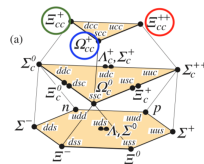
→ implication for theory



Hadron spectroscopy: doubly charmed Ξ_{cc}^{++} state

Quark model predictions for doubly charmed baryons ground states: one isospin doublet ($\Xi_{cc}^{++} = ccu$ and $\Xi_{cc}^{+} = ccd$) of states almost degenerate in mass and with large lifetimes and one singlet ($\Omega_{cc}^{+} = ccs$) of $J^P = 1/2^{+}$

- Claim of Ξ_{cc}^{+} observation in $\Lambda_c^{+} p K^{-}$ and $D^{+} p K^{-}$ final states by SELEX, not confirmed by other experiments
- LHCb observed a significant ($> 12\sigma$) peak in $\Lambda_c^{+} K^{-} \pi^{+} \pi^{+}$ invariant mass consistent with the Ξ_{cc}^{++} state



results

$$m_{\Xi_{cc}^{++}} = 3621.40 \pm 0.72(\text{stat}) \pm 0.27(\text{syst}) \pm 0.14(\Lambda_c^{+}) \text{MeV}/c^2$$

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$$\tau_{\Xi_{cc}^{++}} = 0.256_{-0.022}^{+0.024}(\text{stat}) \pm 0.014(\text{syst}) \text{ps}$$

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Mass and lifetime are consistent with expectations

Also observed in: $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^{+} \pi^{+}$ with a \mathcal{B} consistent with predictions

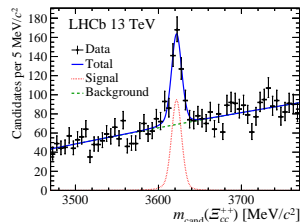
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while no signal in $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^{+} p K^{-} \pi^{+}$ so far

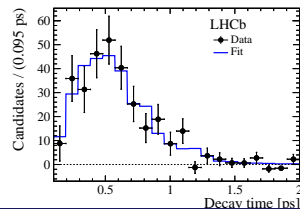
arXiv:1905.02421

Opening of a new environment to test QCD models.

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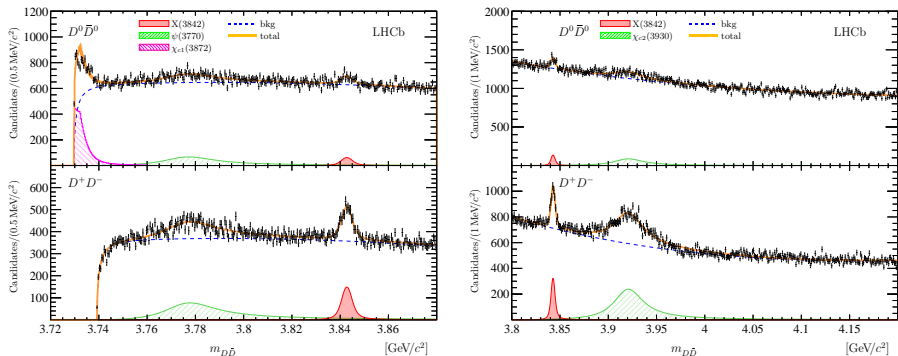


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Hadron spectroscopy: $D\bar{D}$ spectroscopy & new charmonium states

Studying the invariant-mass distributions of charm mesons pairs promptly produced reveals interesting structures:



$\psi(3770)$, $\chi_{c1}(3872)$, $\chi_{c2}(3930)$ and

NEW narrow $X(3842)$ state

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Run1+Run2

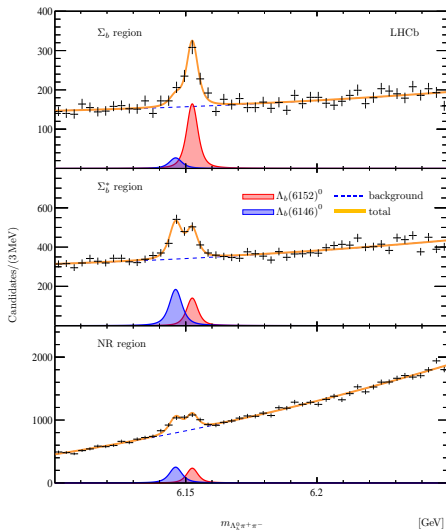
$m_{X(3842)} = 3842.71 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.12 \text{ MeV}/c^2$, $\Gamma_{X(3842)} = 2.79 \pm 0.51 \pm 0.35 \text{ MeV}$

decays to $D^0\bar{D}^0$ and D^+D^-

mass and Γ consistent with the predicted $\bar{c}c$ state with $J^{PC}=3^{--}$: $\psi_3(1^3D_3) \rightarrow$ **First Observation!!**

Hadron spectroscopy: new resonances in the $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ mass spectrum

The study of the invariant-mass distributions of $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ mesons reveals a structure that clearly split in two almost degenerate narrow states if one selects events with $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^\pm$ mass consistent with Σ_b^\pm , $\Sigma_b^{*\pm}$ resonances or the rest (NR)



arXiv.1907.13598 (Run1+Run2)

NEW narrow $\Lambda_b^0(6146)$ and $\Lambda_b^0(6152)$ states

$$m_{\Lambda_b^0(6146)} = 6146.17 \pm 0.33 \pm 0.22 \pm 0.16 \text{ MeV}/c^2,$$

$$\Gamma_{\Lambda_b^0(6146)} = 2.9 \pm 1.3 \pm 0.3 \text{ MeV}$$

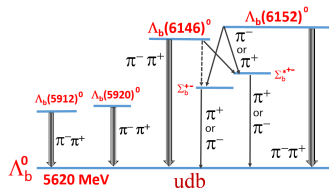
mainly decays via $\Sigma_b^* \pi$,

$$m_{\Lambda_b^0(6152)} = 6152.51 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.22 \pm 0.16 \text{ MeV}/c^2,$$

$$\Gamma_{\Lambda_b^0(6152)} = 2.1 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.3 \text{ MeV}$$

decays via $\Sigma_b \pi$ and $\Sigma_b^* \pi$

possible interpretation as a doublet of $\Lambda_b^0(1D)$



Hadron spectroscopy: Discovery of two pentaquark states

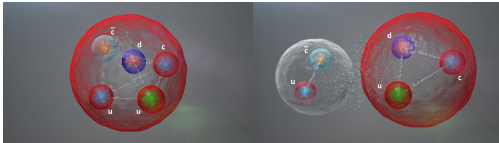
Conventional hadrons made of $\bar{q}q$ (mesons) or qqq (baryons). Exotic hadrons such as pentaquarks ($qqq\bar{q}q$) or tetraquarks ($\bar{q}q\bar{q}q$) were predicted since 1964 by Gell-Mann and Zweig.

In 2015 LHCb announced the discovery of two pentaquark states.

Full angular analysis of $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$ decays in Run1 data.
Two states decaying to $J/\psi p$ with a clear resonant structure:

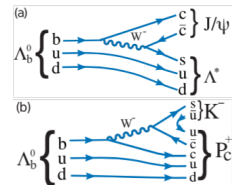
- $P_c(4450)^+$ (narrow) and $P_c(4380)^+$ (broad)

Attracted lots of interest from the theorists. Two main explanations on their nature: tightly bound VS loosely bound molecular states.

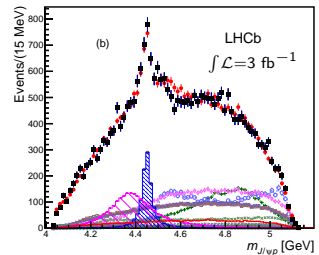


Searched also in different decay modes: $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^\pm \pi^\pm p$, $J/\psi K^\pm \pi^\mp p$, $J/\psi \phi p$, $J/\psi \pi p \rightarrow$ upper limits

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● data ● fit



Hadron spectroscopy: observation of new pentaquark states

NEW results from the analysis on the full data sample (Run1+Run2) of $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$ decays: $9\times$ the statistics

Larger data set is consistent with the old one, but more accurate \rightarrow allows finer binning

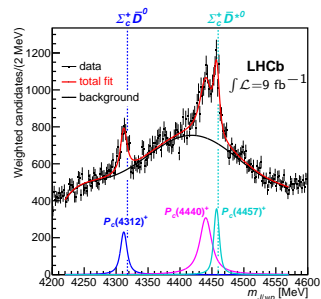
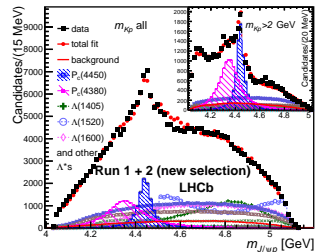
Perform a 1D fit to the $m(J/\psi p)$. Contribution from several Λ^{**} \rightarrow different strategies to deal with

results

- $P_c(4450)^+$ narrow state is resolved in **two states**: $P_c(4440)^+$ and $P_c(4457)^+$ with widths \sim mass resolution
- Evidence for a 3rd narrow state: $P_c(4312)^+$ (was one bin fluctuation)
- 1D mass fit is inconclusive about the presence of broad states ($P_c(4380)^+$) \rightarrow working to the full angular analysis

The minimal quark content of the 3 states is $duuc\bar{c}$
 All 3 states are narrow and just below the $\Sigma_c^+ \bar{D}^0$ and $\Sigma_c^+ \bar{D}^{*0}$ mass thresholds \rightarrow **possible evidence for baryon-meson bound states**

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Summary

Plenty of interesting measurements were performed by LHCb with Run1+2 data and more are in the pipeline.

- Physics program dramatically extended with respect to the initial program.
- Superseded WA precision in several measurements of heavy flavour
- Finally established CP violation in Charm decays
- Lots of surprising results in hadron spectroscopy

An interesting future is ahead of us with the LHCb upgrade and new data taking **Upgrade TDRs**

- 2019-2020: replacement of most of the sub-detectors
- Run3: 5x the instantaneous luminosity and a completely new readout/trigger
- Aim to collect 50 fb^{-1} by end of Run4
- A second major upgrade for the HL-LHC era is also being proposed with the aim to collect 300 fb^{-1} **document**

