

Study of doubly charmed baryon at LHCb

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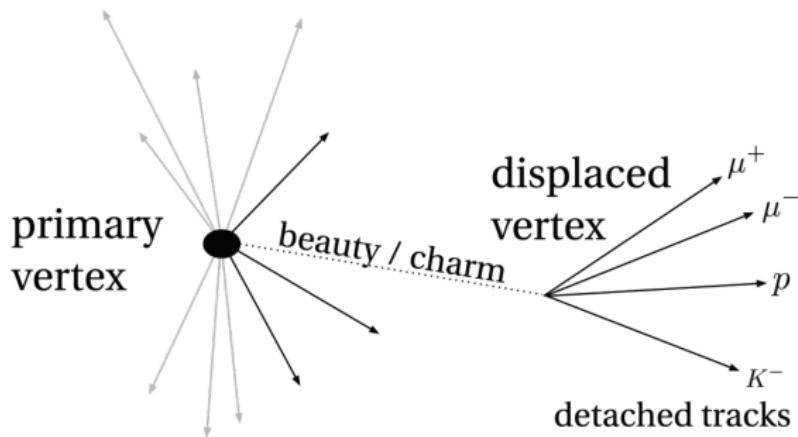
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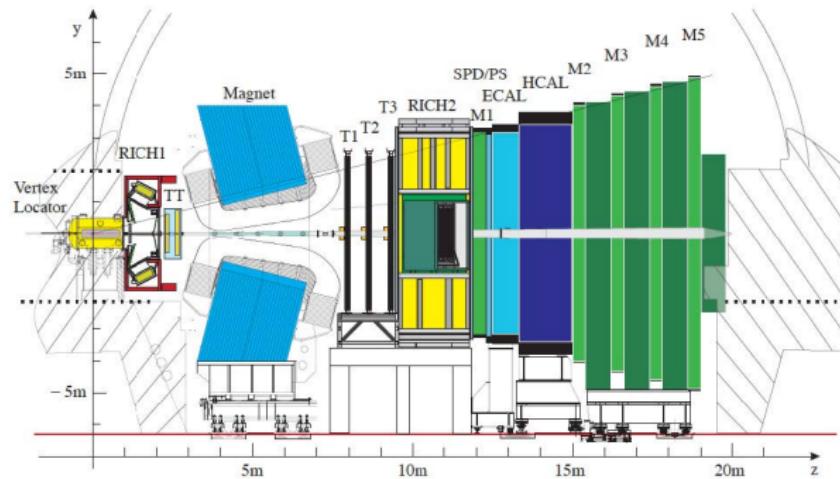
Doubly charm baryon spectroscopy at LHCb

- A huge amount of cc have been produced
 - ▶ $\sigma(pp \rightarrow ccX) \approx 90 \text{ nb} @ \sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
 - ▶ Collected 9 fb^{-1} of data at 7, 8 and 13 TeV
- Doubly charm baryon decay weakly with high multiplicity
 - ▶ Requires excellent vertexing and particle identification capabilities



LHCb detector

- Excellent vertex and PID performance and precise tracking resolution
- Ideal place for spectroscopy study



JINST 3 (2008) S08005

Theoretical overview

- Quark model predict the existence of the doubly charmed baryon
- SU(4) 20-plets ($J = \frac{1}{2}$) containing SU(3) triplets (ground states) : $\Xi_{cc}^+(ccd)$, $\Xi_{cc}^{++}(ccu)$ and $\Omega_{cc}^+(ccs)$

- Mass [PRD 61(2000) 057502]:

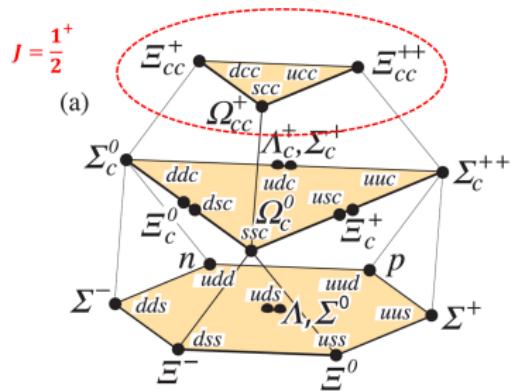
$$m(\Xi_{cc}^+) \approx m(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) \approx 3621 \text{ MeV}/c^2, \\ m(\Omega_{cc}) \approx 3.7 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

- Lifetime [PRD 98(2018) 113005]:

$$3\tau(\Xi_{cc}^+) \approx 3\tau(\Omega_{cc}^+) \approx \tau(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) \approx 256 \text{ fs}$$

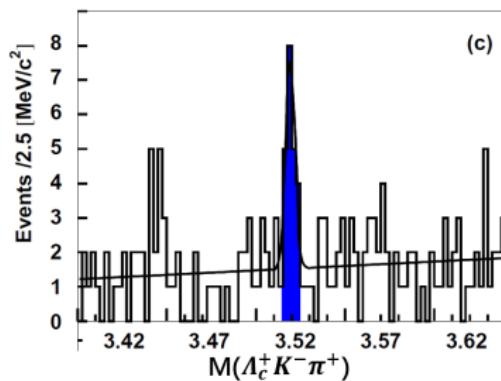
- Production [PRD 98(2018) 113005]:

- ▶ $\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^+) \approx \sigma(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) \approx 3\sigma(\Omega_{cc}^+) \Rightarrow f_{frag} u : d : s \sim 1 : 1 : 0.26$
- ▶ $\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^+) \approx \sigma(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) \sim 40 \text{ nb}; \sigma(\Omega_{cc}^+) \sim 10 \text{ nb}$

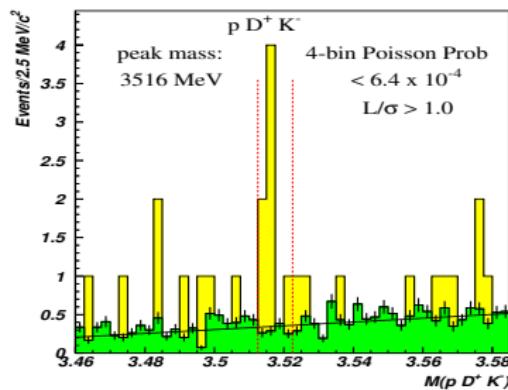


Experimental overview

- Ξ_{cc}^+ first claimed by SELEX
 - ▶ Mass $3518.7 \pm 1.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 - ▶ Lifetime $\tau(\Xi_{cc}^+) < 30\text{fs}$
 - ▶ Production $R = \frac{\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^+)}{\sigma(\Lambda_c^+)} \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+) \sim 20\%$
- Not confirmed by BaBar, Belle and FOCUS



PRL 89 (2002) 112001

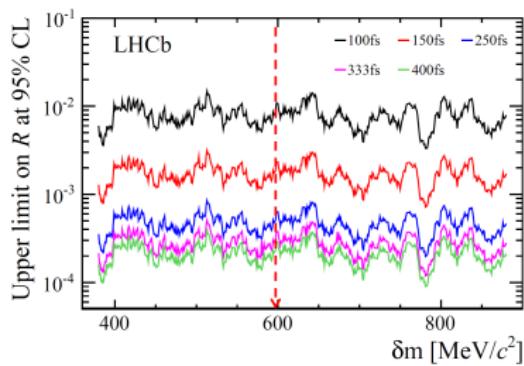
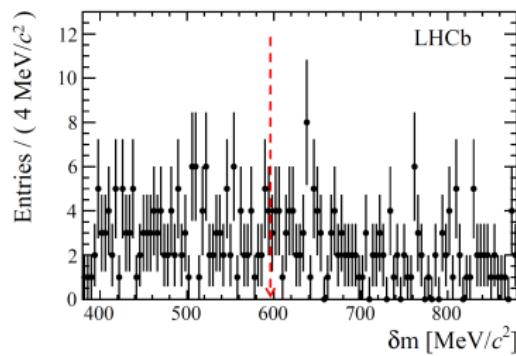


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Ξ_{cc} at LHCb [JHEP 12 (2013) 090]

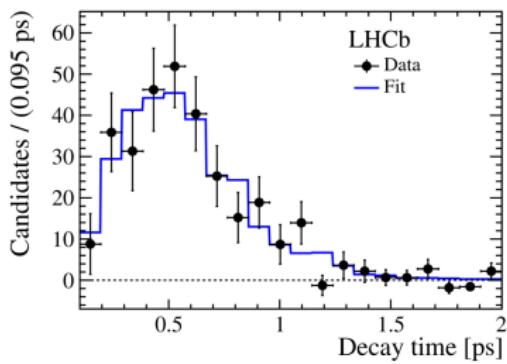
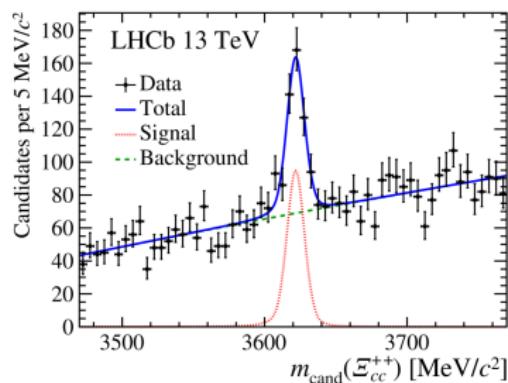
- LHCb search for Ξ_{cc}^+ using 2011 data at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ [0.65 fb^{-1}]

$$R = \frac{\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^+)}{\sigma(\Lambda_c^+)} \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+) < 1.5 \times 10^{-2} (100 \text{ fs})$$
$$< 3.9 \times 10^{-4} (400 \text{ fs}) @ 95\% CL$$



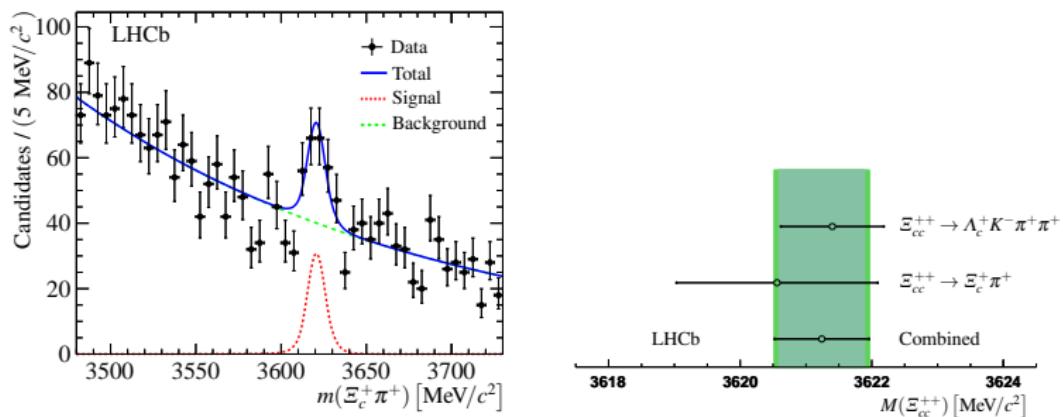
Observation of Ξ_{cc}^{++}

- Ξ_{cc}^{++} first observed decay to $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ by LHCb at 2017
 - ▶ Significance $> 12\sigma$ with 2016 data, $> 7\sigma$ with 2012 data
 - ▶ $m(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = (3621.40 \pm 0.72 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.14) \text{ MeV}/c^2$ [PRL 119(2017) 112001]
 - ▶ 100 MeV/ c^2 away from the SELEX result
($m(\Xi_{cc}^+)_{SELEX} = 3519 \pm 1 \text{ MeV}/c^2$)
- Later the lifetime was measured
 - ▶ $\tau(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = (0.256 \pm ^{+0.024} _{-0.022} \pm 0.014) \text{ ps}$ [PRL 121(2018) 052002]
 - ▶ Weak decay confirmed



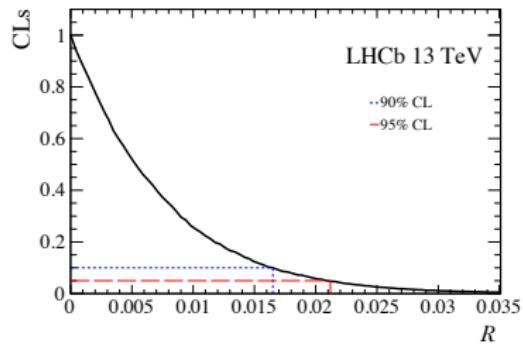
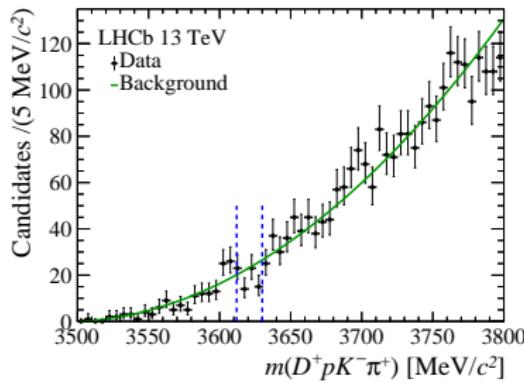
Ξ_{cc}^{++} confirmed [PRL 121 (2018) 162002]

- Confirmed by another decay channel $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+$
 - Significance $> 5.9\sigma$ with 2016 data
 - $m(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = (3621.24 \pm 0.65 \pm 0.31) \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 - $\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+) \times \mathcal{B}(\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+) \times \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+)} = 0.035 \pm 0.009 \pm 0.003$



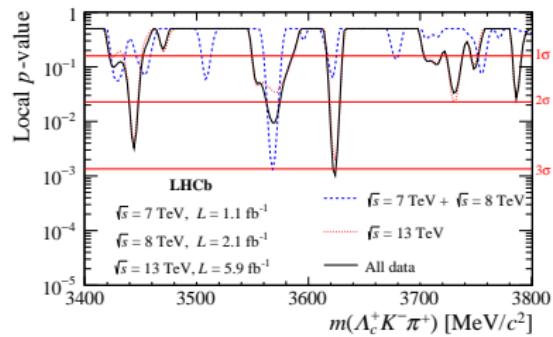
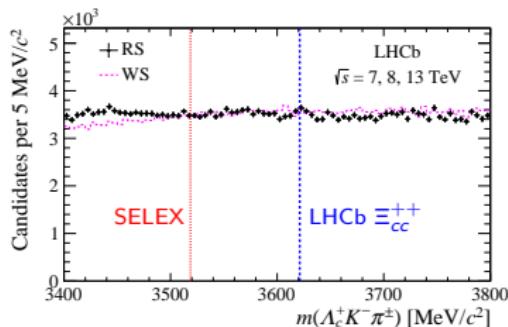
Search for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+$ decays [JHEP 10(2019) 124]

- Search for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+$ with $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
- Use 2016 data at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV [1.7 fb^{-1}]
- No evidence for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+$, UL on ratio of \mathcal{B} :
$$\mathcal{R}\left(\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+)}\right) < 1.7(2.1) \times 10^{-2} @ 90\%(95\%) \text{ CL}$$



Search for the doubly charmed baryon Ξ_{cc}^+ [SCPMA 63(2020) 221062]

- Search for $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$ with $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$
- Use full Run1+Run2 data, luminosity corresponds to 9.2 fb^{-1}

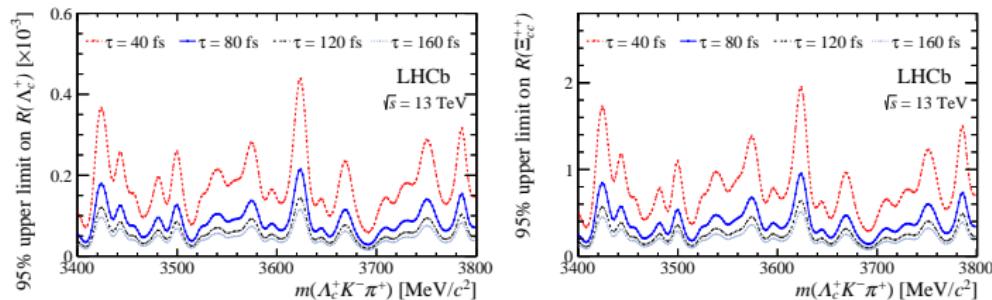


- No significant signal is found in the mass range $3400\text{-}3800 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
- Largest local significance 3.1σ (statistical) around $3620 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ (Global significance 1.7σ)

Search for the doubly charmed baryon Ξ_{cc}^+ [SCPMA 63(2020) 221062]

- Set limits on the production ratios :

$$\mathcal{R}(\Lambda_c^+) \equiv \frac{\sigma(\Xi_{cc}) \times \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+)}{\sigma(\Lambda_c^+)}, \quad \mathcal{R}(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) \equiv \frac{\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^+) \times \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+)}{\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) \times \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+)}$$



Lifetime	$\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$		$\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$	
	$\mathcal{R}(\Lambda_c^+) [\times 10^{-3}]$	$\mathcal{R}(\Xi_{cc}^{++})$	$\mathcal{R}(\Lambda_c^+) [\times 10^{-3}]$	$\mathcal{R}(\Xi_{cc}^{++})$
40 fs	6.5	8.8	0.45	2.0
80 fs	2.1	2.8	0.22	1.0
120 fs	1.2	1.6	0.15	0.6
160 fs	0.9	1.2	0.12	0.5

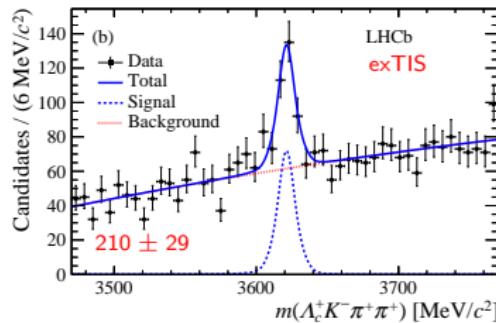
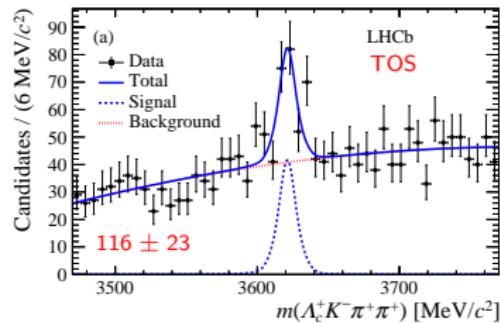
- Improve LHCb limits by order of magnitude compared to Run 1 analysis
- Limits significantly below the value reported by SELEX

$\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ production measurement [CPC 44(2020) 022001]

- Use 2016 data at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV [1.7 fb^{-1}]
- Normalizing channel: $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) \times \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+)}{\sigma(\Lambda_c^+)}$$

- $\mathcal{R} = (2.22 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.29) \times 10^{-4}$

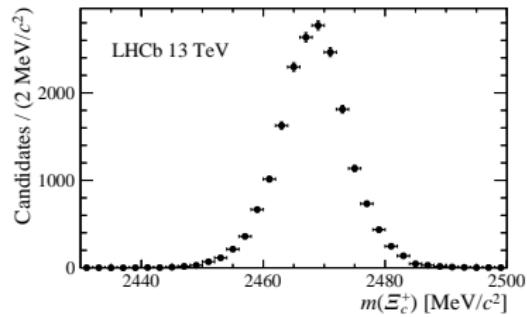
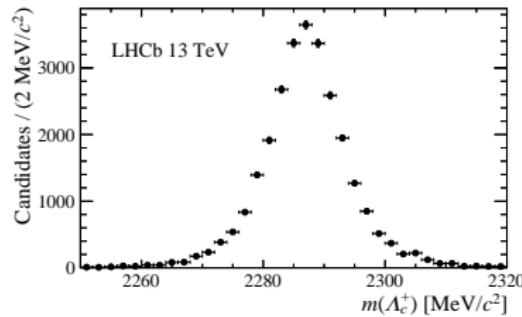


Ξ_{cc}^{++} mass measurement [JHEP 02(2020)049]

- Various theoretical models probing QCD make predictions
- Extremely important to understand the cc system in baryon
- The uncertainty on the Ξ_{cc}^{++} baryon is still large compare to the singly charmed baryons
- Update the Ξ_{cc}^{++} mass with 2016-2018 data ($\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV)
- Luminosity correspond to 5.6 fb^{-1}
- Use both of the observed decay modes:
 - ▶ $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ [PRL 119(2017) 112001]
 - ▶ $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+$ [PRL 121 (2018) 162002]

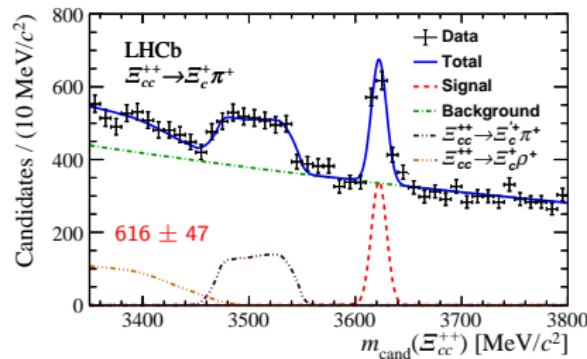
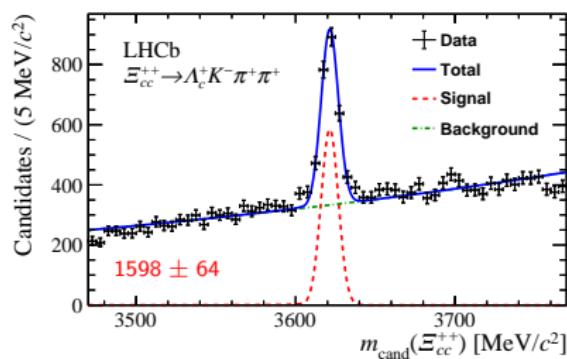
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- Ξ_{cc}^{++} candidates are selected using MVA approach
- BDT method for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ and MLP method for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+$
- Optimized with Figure of merit method ($\frac{S}{\sqrt{S+B}}$)
- Λ_c^+ and Ξ_c^+ candidates are selected with high purity



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- To improve the mass resolution use mass difference as fit variable
 - $m_{\text{cand}}(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = m(\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^- \pi^+) - m(\Lambda_c^+) + M_{\text{PDG}}(\Lambda_c^+)$
 - $m_{\text{cand}}(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = m(\Xi_c^+ \pi^+) - m(\Xi_c^+) + M_{\text{PDG}}(\Xi_c^+)$
- For the $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+$ mode two feed-down decays are considered
 - $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^{'+} (\rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \gamma) \pi^+$
 - $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \rho^+ (\rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0)$



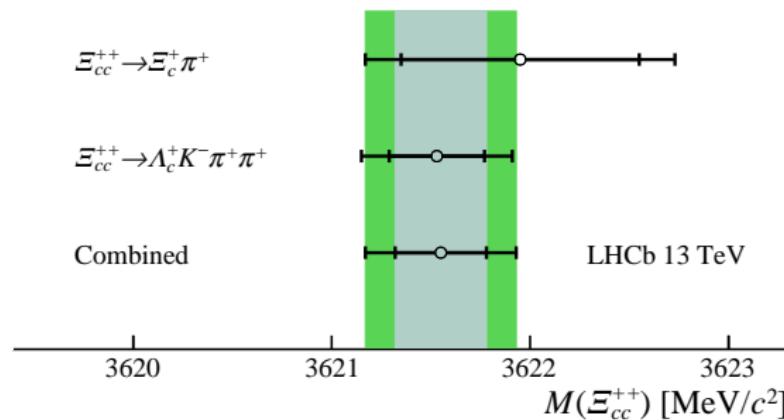
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- Multiple scattering can increase/decrease the opening angle between Ξ_{cc}^{++} products
- Could bias the mass since the selection favours candidates with larger decay lengths
- Studied with charmed hadrons (Well reproduced by simulation)

Source	Uncertainty [MeV/ c^2]	
	$\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$	$\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+$
Momentum-scale calibration	0.21	0.34
Energy-loss correction	0.05	0.03
Simulation/data agreement	0.09	0.05
Selection-induced bias on the Ξ_{cc}^{++} mass	0.09	0.09
Final-state radiation	0.05	0.16
Background model	0.01	0.04
Λ_c^+, Ξ_c^+ mass	0.14	0.22
Total	0.29	0.49

Ξ_{cc}^{++} mass measurement [JHEP 02(2020)049]

- By combining these two modes the uncertainty is reduced
- Combination is dominant by the $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ mode



- Combined results (world's most precise value):
 - ▶ $m(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = (3621.55 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.30) \text{ MeV}/c^2$

Summary

- A lot of important results in doubly charmed baryon sector :
 - ▶ Observed Ξ_{cc}^{++} in $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ and $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+$ channel
 - ▶ No evidence of $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+$ decay in 2016 data but larger datasets are available
 - ▶ Ξ_{cc}^{++} lifetime and production rate ratio were measured for the first time
 - ▶ Precision measurements of Ξ_{cc}^{++} have started
 - ▶ Still no evidence for Ξ_{cc}^+ at LHCb will extend our searches to different final states soon
- Run3/4 approaching $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 23 / 50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- More results are expected in the near future

Thanks!