

Fully-charm tetraquark states and their strong decays into di-charmonia

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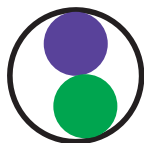
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Quark model



meson($q\bar{q}$)



baryon(qqq)

Gell-Mann and Zweig



- **Quark model** is established to classify hadrons: mesons ($q\bar{q}$) and baryons (qqq).
- Hadrons with exotic quantum numbers are exotic hadron states.
- **QCD** allows for hadrons **outside the naive quark model**. Hadron structures are more complicated in **QCD**: $N_{\text{quarks}} \neq 2, 3$.
- **$SU(3)_c$ gauge symmetry**: $(N_q - N_{\bar{q}})$ is divisible by 3, plus any number N_g of valence gluons can form a color singlet.

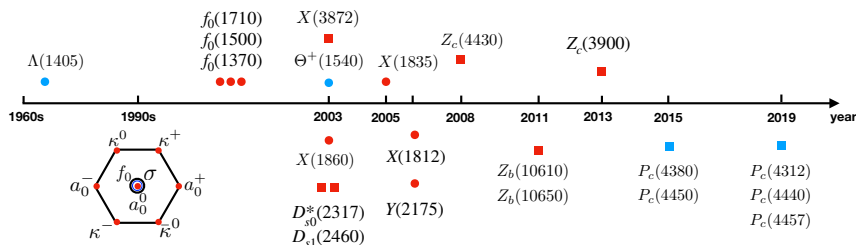
Searching for exotica

Light hadron sector:

- **Dibaryon**: Deuteron, H states, d^* (2380).
- **Hybrid** candidates: $\pi_1(1400)$, $\pi_1(1600)$ and $\pi_1(2015)$ (**dispute**).
- **Glueball** candidates: $a_0(980)$ and $f_0(980)$.
- **Tetraquark** candidates: light scalar mesons.
- **Pentaquark**: $\Theta^+(1540)$ ($S = 1$, long story of **appeared** and **disappeared**)

Heavy hadron sector: **breakthrough in multiquarks!**

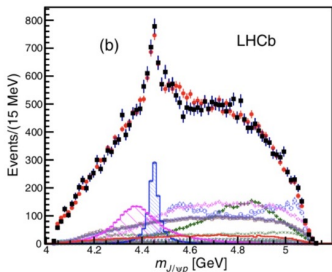
- $P_c(4380)$, $P_c(4312)$, $P_c(4440)$, $P_c(4457)$, $P_{cs}(4459)$: hidden-charm pentaquark states.
- Plenty of **XYZ states**: candidates of molecules, tetraquarks, hybrids...



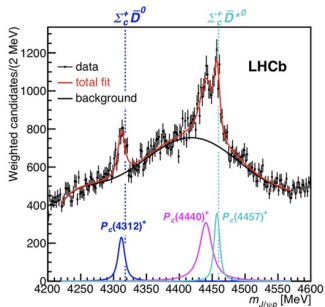
Pentaquarks: $P_c(4312)$, $P_c(4440)$ and $P_c(4457)$

LHCb observed P_c states in 2015 and 2019:

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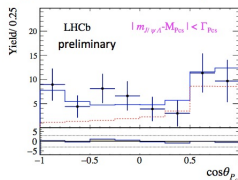
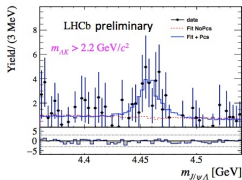
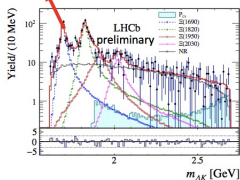
State	M [MeV]	Γ [MeV]	(95% CL)	\mathcal{R} [%]
$P_c(4312)^+$	$4311.9 \pm 0.7^{+6.8}_{-0.6}$	$9.8 \pm 2.7^{+3.7}_{-4.5}$	(< 27)	$0.30 \pm 0.07^{+0.34}_{-0.09}$
$P_c(4440)^+$	$4440.3 \pm 1.3^{+4.1}_{-4.7}$	$20.6 \pm 4.9^{+8.7}_{-10.1}$	(< 49)	$1.11 \pm 0.33^{+0.22}_{-0.10}$
$P_c(4457)^+$	$4457.3 \pm 0.6^{+4.1}_{-1.7}$	$6.4 \pm 2.0^{+5.7}_{-1.9}$	(< 20)	$0.53 \pm 0.16^{+0.15}_{-0.13}$

Full 6D amplitude analysis

- Adding a P_{CS} improves $-2\ln L$ by 43 units, $\sim 4.3\sigma$ significance
 - **3.1 σ significance** when syst. uncertainty considered

Two Ξ^{*-} states

Zooms in to P_{CS} signal region for better visibility



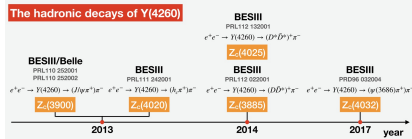
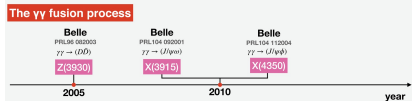
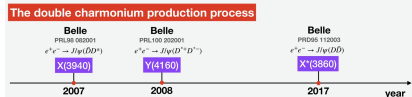
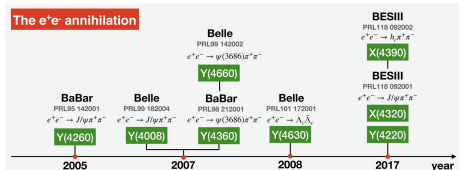
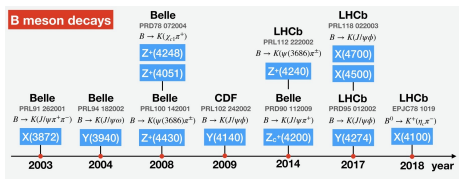
P_{CS} mass 19MeV below the $\Xi_C^0 \bar{D}^{*0}$ threshold. Statistic not enough for J^P determination.

State	M_0 [MeV]	Γ [MeV]
$P_{CS}(4459)^0$	$4458.8 \pm 2.9^{+4.7}_{-1.1}$	$17.3 \pm 6.5^{+8.0}_{-5.7}$
$\Xi(1690)^-$	$1692.0 \pm 1.3^{+1.2}_{-0.4}$	$25.9 \pm 9.5^{+14.0}_{-13.5}$
$\Xi(1820)^-$	$1822.7 \pm 1.5^{+1.0}_{-0.6}$	$36.0 \pm 4.4^{+7.8}_{-8.2}$

Consistent with PDG,
with improved precision

Overview of XYZ States

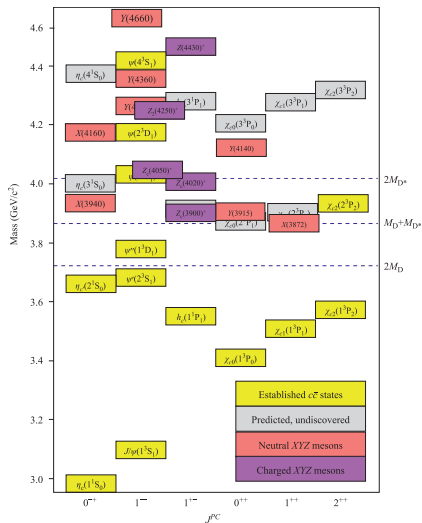
Experiments: Belle, BaBar, BESIII, CDF, LHCb...



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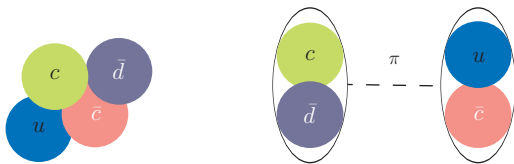
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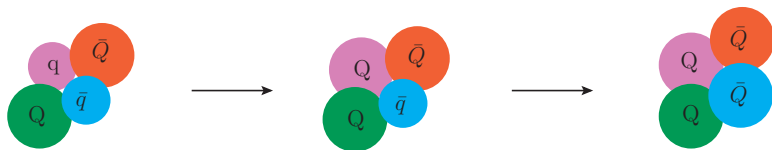
- Many charmonium-like states were discovered above the open-charm thresholds.
- Their masses and decay modes are different from the pure $c\bar{c}$ charmonium states.
- Some charged Z_c states were observed, which are evidences for four-quark states ($c\bar{c}u\bar{d}$).
- They are good candidates for exotic hadron states:
 - molecule, tetraquark, hybrid**
 - ...

Theoretical Models

- Theoretical configurations: tetraquark, molecule, hybrid,...
- Z_c^\pm states: tetraquark, molecule



- What happens as the mass of the light quarks is raised? Binding becomes stronger?



- QED analog: molecular positronium Ps_2 (bound state of $e^+e^-e^+e^-$) discovered in 2007 [Nature 449 \(09, 2007\) 195–197](#).

Doubly hidden-flavor tetraquarks: $QQ\bar{Q}\bar{Q}$

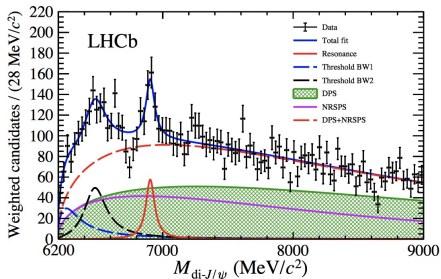
$QQ\bar{Q}\bar{Q}$ Tetraquarks:

- They are far away from the mass range of the observed conventional $q\bar{q}$ hadrons.
- Can be clearly distinguished experimentally from the normal states.
- The light mesons ($\pi, \rho, \omega, \sigma \dots$) can not be exchanged between two charmonia/bottomonia.
- The binding force comes from the short-range gluon exchange.
- A molecule configuration is not favored and thus the $QQ\bar{Q}\bar{Q}$ is a good candidate for compact tetraquark.



$X(6900)$: resonance structure in J/ψ -pair mass spectrum

LHCb observed several structures in the J/ψ -pair mass spectrum (Sci. Bull., 2020, 2020, 65):



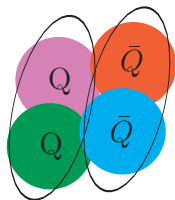
- The mass and width of $X(6900)$ are: (1) $M = 6905 \pm 11 \pm 7$ MeV, $\Gamma = 80 \pm 19 \pm 33$ MeV based on no-interference fit; (2) $M = 6886 \pm 11 \pm 11$ MeV, $\Gamma = 168 \pm 33 \pm 69$ MeV based on the simple model with interference.
- A broad structure next to threshold ranging from 6.2 to 6.8 GeV;
- Hint for another structure around 7.2 GeV with low significance.
- **These structures are consistent with predicted $T_{cc\bar{c}\bar{c}}$ (PLB773(2017), 247-251).**

Tetraquark Sum Rules

- Study **two-point correlation function** of current $J(x)$ with the same quantum numbers with hadron state:

$$\Pi(q^2) = i \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle \Omega | T[J(x) J^\dagger(0)] | \Omega \rangle$$

- Classify states $|X\rangle$ by coupling to current $\langle \Omega | J(x) | X \rangle \neq 0$
- Currents are **probes of spectrum** and might not overlap with state



Interpolating currents with $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$:

$$J_1 = Q_a^T C \gamma_5 Q_b \bar{Q}_a \gamma_5 C \bar{Q}_b^T,$$

$$J_2 = Q_a^T C \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 Q_b \bar{Q}_a \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 C \bar{Q}_b^T,$$

$$J_3 = Q_a^T C \sigma_{\mu\nu} Q_b \bar{Q}_a \sigma^{\mu\nu} C \bar{Q}_b^T,$$

$$J_4 = Q_a^T C \gamma_\mu Q_b \bar{Q}_a \gamma^\mu C \bar{Q}_b^T,$$

$$J_5 = Q_a^T C Q_b \bar{Q}_a C \bar{Q}_b^T,$$

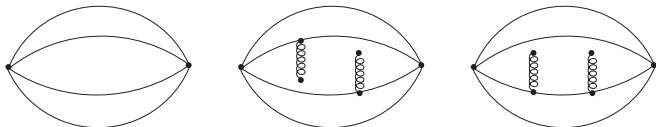
- **Hadron level:** described by the **dispersion relation**

$$\Pi(q^2) = \frac{(q^2)^N}{\pi} \int \frac{\text{Im}\Pi(s)}{s^N(s - q^2 - i\epsilon)} ds + \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} b_n (q^2)^n,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(s) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Pi(s) = \sum_n \delta(s - m_n^2) \langle 0 | J | n \rangle \langle n | J^\dagger | 0 \rangle \\ &= f_X^2 \delta(s - m_X^2) + \text{continuum}, \end{aligned}$$

- **Quark-gluon level:** evaluated via **operator product expansion(OPE)**

$$\Pi(s) = \Pi^{\text{pert}}(s) + \Pi^{\langle GG \rangle}(s) + \dots,$$



- Define **moments** in Euclidean region $Q^2 = -q^2 > 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_n(Q_0^2) &= \frac{1}{n!} \left(-\frac{d}{dQ^2} \right)^n \Pi(Q^2) |_{Q^2=Q_0^2} \\
 &= \int_{m_H^2}^{\infty} \frac{\rho(s)}{(s + Q_0^2)^{n+1}} ds = \frac{f_X^2}{(m_X^2 + Q_0^2)^{n+1}} [1 + \delta_n(Q_0^2)],
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\delta_n(Q_0^2)$ contains the higher states and continuum.

- Ratio of the moments

$$r(n, Q_0^2) \equiv \frac{M_n(Q_0^2)}{M_{n+1}(Q_0^2)} = (m_X^2 + Q_0^2) \frac{1 + \delta_n(Q_0^2)}{1 + \delta_{n+1}(Q_0^2)}.$$

- Predict **hadron mass**

$$m_X = \sqrt{r(n, Q_0^2) - Q_0^2}$$

for sufficiently large n when $\delta_n(Q_0^2) \cong \delta_{n+1}(Q_0^2)$ for convergence.

Limitations for (n, ξ) parameter space:

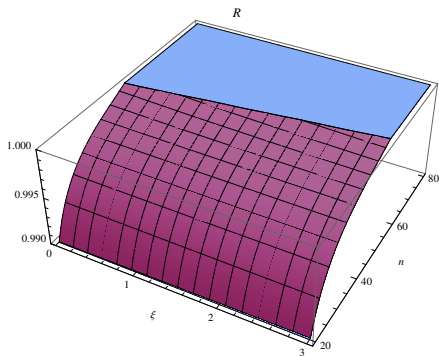
$$\xi = Q_0^2/16m_c^2, \text{ for } cc\bar{c}\bar{c} \text{ system};$$

$$\xi = Q_0^2/m_b^2, \text{ for } bb\bar{b}\bar{b} \text{ system}.$$

- **Small ξ** : higher dimensional condensates give large contributions to $M_n(Q_0^2)$, leading to bad OPE convergence.
- **Large ξ** : slower convergence of $\delta_n(Q_0^2)$. This can be compensated by taking higher derivative n for the lowest lying resonance to dominate.
- **Large n** : moving further away from the asymptotically free region. The OPE convergence would also become bad.
- Requiring $\Pi^{(GG)}(s) \leq \Pi^{pert}(s)$ to obtain an upper limit n_{max} , which will increase with respect to ξ .
- **Good (n, ξ) region**: the lowest lying resonance dominates the moments while the OPE series has good convergence.

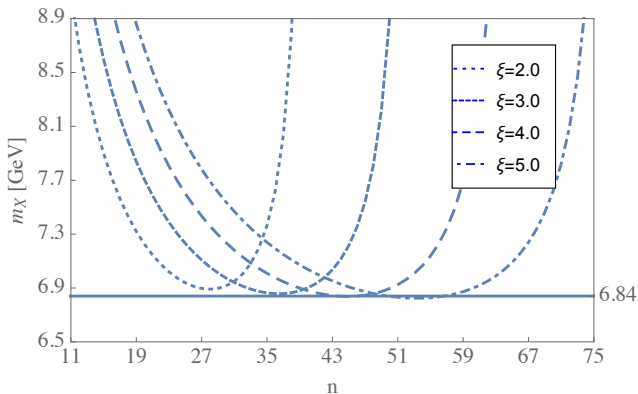
Hölder's inequality:

$$R = \frac{M_n(Q_0^2)^2}{M_r(Q_0^2)M_{2n-r}(Q_0^2)} \leq 1,$$



The boundary gives $(n, \xi) = (48, 0.2), (49, 0.4), (49, 0.6), (50, 0.8)$.

Mass for $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ tetraquark with $J^{PC} = 0^{-+}$: mass curves have plateaus at $(n, \xi) = (28, 2), (36, 3), (45, 4), (53, 5)$



$$m_{T_{cc\bar{c}\bar{c}}} = (6.84 \pm 0.18) \text{ GeV.}$$

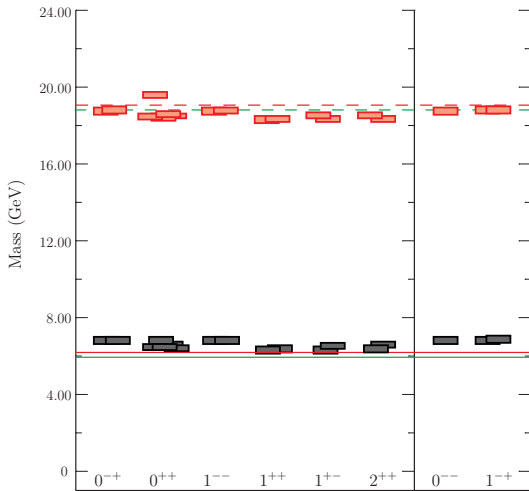
Good predictions for LHCb's observations:

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J^{PC}	Currents	$m_{X_c}(\text{GeV})$	$m_{X_b}(\text{GeV})$
0^{++}	J_1	6.44 ± 0.15	18.45 ± 0.15
	J_2	6.59 ± 0.17	18.59 ± 0.17
	J_3	6.47 ± 0.16	18.49 ± 0.16
	J_4	6.46 ± 0.16	18.46 ± 0.14
	J_5	6.82 ± 0.18	19.64 ± 0.14
1^{++}	$J_{1\mu}^+$	6.40 ± 0.19	18.33 ± 0.17
	$J_{2\mu}^+$	6.34 ± 0.19	18.32 ± 0.18
1^{+-}	$J_{1\mu}^-$	6.37 ± 0.18	18.32 ± 0.17
	$J_{2\mu}^+$	6.51 ± 0.15	18.54 ± 0.15
2^{++}	$J_{1\mu\nu}$	6.51 ± 0.15	18.53 ± 0.15
	$J_{2\mu\nu}$	6.37 ± 0.19	18.32 ± 0.17
0^{-+}	J_1^+	6.84 ± 0.18	18.77 ± 0.18
	J_2^+	6.85 ± 0.18	18.79 ± 0.18
0^{--}	J_1^-	6.84 ± 0.18	18.77 ± 0.18
1^{-+}	$J_{1\mu}^+$	6.84 ± 0.18	18.80 ± 0.18
	$J_{2\mu}^+$	6.88 ± 0.18	18.83 ± 0.18
1^{--}	$J_{1\mu}^-$	6.84 ± 0.18	18.77 ± 0.18
	$J_{2\mu}^-$	6.83 ± 0.18	18.77 ± 0.16

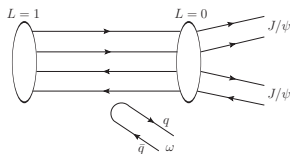
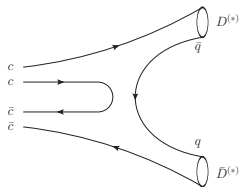
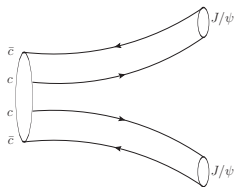
Our previous calculations in 2017 are consistent very good with the LHCb's observation:

- **The masses of $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ tetraquarks with $J^{PC} = 0^{++}, 2^{++}$ are agree with the broad structure around 6.2-6.8 GeV;**
- **The masses of $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ tetraquarks with $J^{PC} = 0^{-+}, 1^{-+}$ are consistent with the mass of X(6900).**

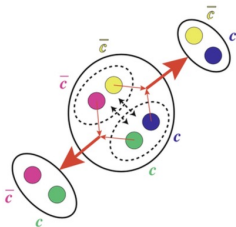


Decay behavior: $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ tetraquarks

- $cc\bar{c}\bar{c} \rightarrow (ccq) + (\bar{c}\bar{c}\bar{q})$: kinematically forbidden.
- $cc\bar{c}\bar{c} \rightarrow (cqq) + (\bar{c}\bar{q}\bar{q})$: suppressed by two light quark pair creation.
- $cc\bar{c}\bar{c} \rightarrow (c\bar{c}) + (c\bar{c})$: charm quark pair rearrangement or annihilation (suppressed). Phase space is small.
- $cc\bar{c}\bar{c} \rightarrow (q\bar{c}) + (c\bar{q})$: possible via a heavy quark pair annihilation and a light quark pair creation, with large phase space.
- $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}(L=1) \rightarrow cc\bar{c}\bar{c}(L=0) + (q\bar{q})_{I=0}$: OZI forbidden.



Strong decays into di-charmonia



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J^{PC}	S-wave	P-wave
0^{++}	$\eta_c(1S)\eta_c(1S)$, $J/\psi J/\psi$	$\eta_c(1S)\chi_{c1}(1P)$, $J/\psi h_c(1P)$
0^{-+}	$\eta_c(1S)\chi_{c0}(1P)$, $J/\psi h_c(1P)$	$J/\psi J/\psi$
0^{--}	$J/\psi\chi_{c1}(1P)$	$J/\psi\eta_c(1S)$
1^{++}	—	$J/\psi h_c(1P)$, $\eta_c(1S)\chi_{c1}(1P)$, $\eta_c(1S)\chi_{c0}(1P)$
1^{+-}	$J/\psi\eta_c(1S)$	$J/\psi\chi_{c0}(1P)$, $J/\psi\chi_{c1}(1P)$, $\eta_c(1S)h_c(1P)$
1^{-+}	$J/\psi h_c(1P)$, $\eta_c(1S)\chi_{c1}(1P)$	$J/\psi J/\psi$
1^{--}	$J/\psi\chi_{c0}(1P)$, $J/\psi\chi_{c1}(1P)$, $\eta_c(1S)h_c(1P)$	$J/\psi\eta_c(1S)$

Strong decays into di-charmonia

We calculate their relative branching ratios through the Fierz rearrangement:

J^{PC}	Configuration	$J/\psi J/\psi$	$\eta_c \eta_c$	Decay channels						
				$J/\psi h_c$	$\eta_c \chi_{c0}$	$\eta_c \chi_{c1}$	$J/\psi \eta_c$	$J/\psi \chi_{c0}$	$J/\psi \chi_{c1}$	$\eta_c h_c$
0^{++}	$X_1 = 0_{cc}^+, 0_{cc}^+ \rangle_0$	1	0.45	-	-	2.1×10^{-5}	-	-	-	-
	$X_2 = 1_{cc}^+, 1_{cc}^+ \rangle_0$	1	4.1	-	-	8.6×10^{-5}	-	-	-	-
1^{++}	$X_3 = 1_{cc}^+, 1_{cc}^+ \rangle_1$	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
2^{++}	$X_4 = 1_{cc}^+, 1_{cc}^+ \rangle_2$	1	0.036	-	-	6.0×10^{-4}	-	-	-	-
0^{-+}	$X_5 = 0_{cc}^-, 0_{cc}^+ \rangle_0^a$	1	-	0.21	0.69	-	-	-	-	-
	$X_6 = 1_{cc}^-, 1_{cc}^+ \rangle_0$	1	-	0.21	6.2	-	-	-	-	-
0^{--}	$X_7 = 0_{cc}^-, 0_{cc}^+ \rangle_0^b$	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1.4	-
1^{-+}	$X_8 = 1_{cc}^-, 0_{cc}^+ \rangle_1^a$	1	0.11	0.30	-	0.36	-	-	-	-
	$X_9 = 1_{cc}^-, 1_{cc}^+ \rangle_1^a$	1	1.0	0.30	-	3.2	-	-	-	-
1^{--}	$X_{10} = 1_{cc}^-, 0_{cc}^+ \rangle_1^b$	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.79	1.5	0.43
	$X_{11} = 1_{cc}^-, 1_{cc}^+ \rangle_1^b$	-	-	-	-	-	1	7.1	1.5	0.43

- We suggest **the broad structure around 6.2-6.8 GeV to be a S-wave $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ tetraquark with $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$ or 2^{++}** , while **the narrow structure around 6.9 GeV to be a P-wave $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ tetraquark with $J^{PC} = 0^{-+}$ or 1^{-+}** .
- We propose to confirm them in the **di- η_c , $J/\psi h_c$, $\eta_c \chi_{c0}$ or $\eta_c \chi_{c1}$** channels. These channels are helpful to determine their quantum numbers.

- LHCb has observed two resonance structures in the J/ψ -pair mass spectrum: a narrow structure X(6900) and a broad structure around 6.2-6.8 GeV;
- We have calculated the mass spectra for the $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ and $bb\bar{b}\bar{b}$ tetraquark states. We also study strong decays of the possible fully-charm tetraquarks, and calculate their relative branching ratios through the Fierz rearrangement
- Our results suggest that **the broad structure around 6.2–6.8 GeV can be interpreted as an S-wave $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$ tetraquark state with $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$ or 2^{++}** , while **the narrow structure X(6900) to be a P-wave one with $J^{PC} = 0^{-+}$ or 1^{-+}** .
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Thank you for your attention!