## Exotic hadrons and doubly heavy baryons at LHCb

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#### Introduction

Recent LHCb results on exotic hadrons and Doubly heavy baryons:

- Results from Exotic hadrons
- Results from Doubly heavy baryons

#### Summary

#### Success of the constituent quark model

Quark model, introduced by Gell-Mann and Zweig, in 1964

- Construct numerous hadrons using quarks
- $\Rightarrow$  SU(4) and SU(5) to include new quarks: charm (c), and bottom (b)



#### **Exotic hadrons**

- Exotic hadrons: anything beyond meson  $(q\bar{q})$  and baryon (qqq) scheme
- Could be various multiquark states, hadron molecules, glueballs, hybirds ...

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Observation of a Narrow Charmoniumlike State in Exclusive  $B^{\pm} \rightarrow K^{\pm} \pi^{+} \pi^{-} J/\psi$  Decays

 $B^+ \rightarrow X(3872)K^+$  $X(3872) \rightarrow J/\Psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ 

Expected quark content [ $c\overline{c}u\overline{u}$ ] Internal structure is still under discussion



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#### Exotic zoo



#### Not a very strict naming scheme

- ⇒ X : neutral, first seen in B-meson decays, positive parity
- → Y : neutral, first seen in ee annihilation with initial state radiation, negative parity
- Z : charged (and their isospin) partners)
- P : pentaguarks

#### No clear pattern seen yet

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#### **Theoretical models**

Lots of predictions within different theoretical models



Not only to find new exotic hadrons, but also to determine their quantum numbers

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#### LHCb detector



○ LHCb is a forward spectrometer suited for *b*, *c* hadrons:  $2 < \eta < 5$ 

- Momentum resolution:
  - 0.5% at 5 GeV, 1.0% at 200
     GeV
- Excellent track and vertex reconstruction
- Good particle-ID separation

## **Exotic hadrons**

## $Z_c(4100)^- \text{ in } B^0 \to \eta_c(1S)K^+\pi^-$

arXiv:1809.07416 Submitted to EPJC

• Understand pattern of  $Z_c^-$  states

⇒  $Z_c(3900)^-$  seen by BES III, and Belle in  $Y(4260) \rightarrow Z_c^- (\rightarrow J/\Psi \pi^-)\pi^+$ 

Charmonium-like charged stats: exotic

 $\circ \eta_c \pi^-$  accesses  $J^P$  other than 1<sup>+</sup>, that several  $Z_c^-$  confirmed to be

$Z_c^{+,0}(3900)$	$3886.6\pm2.4$	$28.1\pm2.6$	$1^{+-}$	$e^+e^- \to \pi^{-,0} + (J/\psi  \pi^{+,0})$	BESIII (92; 101), Belle (88)
				$e^+e^- \to \pi^{-,0} + (D\bar{D}^*)^{+,0}$	BESIII (102; 103)
$Z_c^{+,0}(4020)$	$4024.1\pm1.9$	$13\pm5$	$1^{+-}(?)$	$e^+e^- \to \pi^{-,0} + (h_c  \pi^{+,0})$	BESIII (93; 104)
				$e^+e^- \to \pi^{-,0} + (D^*\bar{D}^*)^{+,0}$	BESIII (105; 106)
$Z^{+}(4050)$	$4051^{+24}_{-43}$	$82^{+51}_{-55}$	??+	$B \to K + (\chi_{c1} \pi^+)$	Belle (107), BaBar (108)
$Z^{+}(4200)$	$4196^{+35}_{-32}$	$370^{+\ 99}_{-149}$	$1^+$	$B \to K + (J/\psi \pi^+)$	Belle $(51)$
				$B \to K + (\psi' \pi^+)$	LHCb (46)
$Z^{+}(4250)$	$4248^{+185}_{-45}$	$177^{+321}_{-72}$	??+	$B \to K + (\chi_{c1} \pi^+)$	Belle (107), BaBar (108)
$Z^{+}(4430)$	$4477\pm20$	$181\pm31$	$1^{+}$	$B \to K + (\psi' \pi^+)$	Belle (45; 109; 110), LHCb (46; 111)
				$B \to K + (J\psi \pi^+)$	Belle $(51)$

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## $B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(1S)K^+\pi^-$ signal

•  $L = 4.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , including Run-1 + Run-2 (2011-2016) data • Multi-stage signal/bkg separation fits in  $m(p\bar{p}K^+\pi^-)$  and  $m(p\bar{p})$ 



## $B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(1S)K^+\pi^-$ 2D mass fit



- Unlike narrow  $J/\Psi$ ,  $\Psi(2S)$ ,  $\eta_c$  has  $\Gamma_0 \sim 32$  MeV
- 2D fit in  $m(p\bar{p}K^+\pi^-)$  and  $m(p\bar{p})$
- Dalitz analysis:  $K^*$  resonances + "non-resonant"  $K\pi$  and  $p\bar{p}$  S-waves



## Evidence for an exotic $Z_c(4100)^-$

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 $\bigcirc$  Good description in all variables after adding an exotic  $Z_c$  component



## Search for beauty teraquarks: $X_{b\overline{b}b\overline{b}}$

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- No hadron containing > 2 heavy quarks has been observed so far
- Theoretical prediction:
  - ⇒ Mass within [18.4, 18.8] GeV,  $\sigma \times B(Yl^+l^-) \sim 1$  fb
  - → Typically below  $\eta_b \eta_b$  threshold: could decay to  $Yl^+l^ (l = e, \mu)$







#### LHCb search:

 $\succ X_{b\overline{b}b\overline{b}} \rightarrow Y(1S)\mu^{+}\mu^{-}, \text{ where } Y(1S) \rightarrow \mu^{+}\mu^{-}$ 

#### Search for beauty teraquarks: $X_{b\overline{b}b\overline{b}}$

- $\bigcirc$  Cut-based selection, with  $J/\Psi$  mass veto
- Y(1S) yields after selection (±2.5 $\sigma$  region): ~6 × 10<sup>6</sup>
- No significant excess is seen in data, upper limit are set



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## $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}$ measurements

## Studies of $\Xi_{cc}$ by SELEX experiment

• SELEX (Fermilab E781) claimed observation of  $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^+(ccd)$  in  $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^+ \to \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$  and  $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^+ \to pD^+ K^-$  decays

- ⇒ Short lifetime:  $\tau(\Xi_{cc}^+) < 33$  fs @90% CL, but not zero
- ⇒ Large production:  $R = \frac{\sigma(\Xi_{cc}^+) \times BF(\Xi_{cc}^+ \to \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+)}{\sigma(\Lambda_c^+)} \sim 20\%$
- Mass (combined): 3518.7 ± 1.7 MeV



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## Observation of $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}$



Phys. Rev. Lett. 119, 112001 (2017)

 $\bigcirc \Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$  observed by LHCb using 2016 data



## $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}$ lifetime

- Inconsistent with zero in the observation paper
- A lifetime measurement is critical:
  - To confirm it is a weak decay
  - Necessary ingredient for theoretical prediction of BR
  - → Important information for experimental exploration of  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$
  - To test various predictions from QCD model





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#### Mass fit

Yields: (2016)  $E_{cc}^{++}: 304 \pm 35$  $\Lambda_b^0: 3379 \pm 119$ 

Signal: Double-sided Crystal-Ball + Gaussian
 Background: 2<sup>nd</sup> order Chebychev



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#### Lifetime fit



#### Search for $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++} \to \mathcal{Z}_{c}^{+} \pi^{+}$

 $\bigcirc \Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_{c}^{+}\pi^{+}$ : one of the best channels to confirm  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$ 

- ⇒  $BR(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \to \Xi_c^+ \pi^+) \sim \mathcal{O}(1\%)$  Prediction
- ⇒  $BR(\Lambda_c^+ \to p^+ K^- \pi^+) \sim (6.35\%)$ , Measurement  $BR(\Xi_c^+ \to p^+ K^- \pi^+) \sim (2\%)$  Prediction

⇒ Fewer tracks (4 tracks) → higher efficiency





#### Mass fit

#### Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 162002 (2018)

Yields: (2016)  $E_c^+ \pi^+: 91 \pm 20$  $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+: 289 \pm 35$ 

- Signal: Double-Sided Crystal-Ball + Gaussian
- Background: Exponential function
- $O M(\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}) = M(\mathcal{Z}_{c}^{+}\pi^{+}) M(\mathcal{Z}_{c}^{+}) + M_{PDG}(\mathcal{Z}_{c}^{+})$



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• The measured  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$  mass is (with  $\Xi_{c}^{+}\pi^{+}$  channel): ⇒ 3620.56 ± 1.5 (*stat*) ± 0.4 (*syst*) ± 0.3 ( $\mathcal{Z}_{c}^{+}$ ) MeV/ $c^{2}$ 

Ratio of branching fraction is defined as

$$= \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \to \Xi_{c}^{+}\pi^{+})}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \to \Lambda_{c}^{+}K^{-}\pi^{+}\pi^{+})} \times \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{c}^{+} \to pK^{-}\pi^{+})}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_{c}^{+} \to pK^{-}\pi^{+})}$$
$$= \frac{N(\Xi_{c}^{+}\pi^{+})}{N(\Lambda_{c}^{+}K^{-}\pi^{+}\pi^{+})} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(\Lambda_{c}^{+}K^{-}\pi^{+}\pi^{+})}{\varepsilon(\Xi_{c}^{+}\pi^{+})}$$

consistent with prediction

 $\mathcal{R} = 0.035 \pm 0.009 (stat) \pm 0.003 (syst)$ 





Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 162002 (2018)



#### **Measured results**

#### Summary

LHCb detector is designed for the heavy flavour physics

• The exotic studies sector is rapidly developing

- Many new states confirmed, or waiting for confirmation
- Still a large area for studies: both experimental and theoretical sides

• LHCb has made significant progresses in the study of:  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$ 

- → [PRL 119, 112001 (2007)]: Discovery of  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$
- ⇒ [PRL 121, 162002 (2018)]: Confirmation of the discovery of  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$  using  $\Xi_{c}^{+}\pi^{+}$  channel
- ⇒ [PRL 121, 052002 (2018)]: Measurement of  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$  lifetime: long lifetime as expected

#### Stay tuned for new results !



## Backup

#### LHCb integrated luminosity



#### Today's talk with 2016 (1.7 fb<sup>-1</sup>) data

#### Thanks to the LHC team!

## LHCb trigger



Run real-time alignment and calibration of the detector

- Data buffered out of first software trigger stage
- Second software trigger runs asynchronously
- Permits Turbo real-time analysis strategy
  - Candidates reconstructed at the trigger level saved directly for offline analysis + (online alignment and calibration)

The first two analyses of today's talk benefit from the Turbo stream.

Comput. Phys. Commun. 208 (2016) 35-42 Int. J. Mod. Phys. A 30, 1530022 (2015)

## Weakly decaying *b*-flavoured pentaquarks

PRD 97 (2018) 032010

Skyrme model: heavy quarks give tightly bound pentaquarks



PLB 590(2004) 185; PLB 586(2004)337; PLB 331(1994)362

#### Search for mass peaks below strong decay threshold

Mode	Quark content	Decay mode	Search window
Ι	$\overline{b}duud$	$P^+_{B^0p} \to J/\psi K^+\pi^-p$	$4668{-}6220~{\rm MeV}$
II	$b\overline{u}udd$	$P^{-}_{\Lambda^0_{\iota}\pi^-} \to J/\psi  K^-\pi^- p$	$46685760~\mathrm{MeV}$
III	$b\overline{d}uud$	$P^{+^{o}}_{\Lambda^{0}_{t}\pi^{+}} \rightarrow J/\psi K^{-}\pi^{+}p$	$46685760~\mathrm{MeV}$
$\mathbf{IV}$	$\overline{b}suud$	$P^{+}_{B^0_s p} \rightarrow J/\psi  \phi p$	$50556305~\mathrm{MeV}$

#### • Upper limit on production ratio $\sigma \cdot B$ wrt $\Lambda_b^0 \to J/\Psi K^- p$

$$R = \frac{\sigma(pp \to P_B X) \cdot \mathcal{B}(P_B \to J/\psi X)}{\sigma(pp \to \Lambda_b^0 X) \cdot \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \to J/\psi K^- p)}$$

## Weakly decaying *b*-flavoured pentaquarks

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O No evidence for signal, 90% CL upper limits are set for the ratio



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#### Hadron spectroscopy @ LHCb



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#### Search for dibaryon state

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• A dibaryon state [cd][ud][ud] could be produced in  $\Lambda_b^0$  decays to final state  $\Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ p \bar{p}$ L. Maiani, et al. PLB 750 (2015) 37



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 $D_c^+ \to \Lambda_c^+ \pi^- p$ 

#### Search for dibaryon state

Ratio of branching fractions

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \to \Lambda_c^+ p \overline{p} \pi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_b^0 \to \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-)} = 0.0540 \pm 0.0023 \pm 0.0032$$

• No obvious dibaryon peak in  $m(\Lambda_c^+\pi^-p)$  spectra



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## **SELEX result in tension with predictions**

O Models to determine masses of ground state and excitations:

- (non-) relativistic QCD potential models, triple harmonic-oscillator potential model, QCD sum rules, bag model or quark model ...
- ⇒ Predicted  $\Xi_{cc}^{+,++}$  masses in range **3.5 3.7** GeV,
- ⇒ Masses of  $\Xi_{cc}^+$  and  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$  only differ by a few MeV due to u, d symmetry





#### No confirmation from other experiments

© Fixed target: FOCUS (Fermilab E831) Nucl. Phys. Proc. Suppl. 115 (2003) 33

- Studies charm hadrons produced in photon-nuclear fixed target collisions
- © Electron colliders: Babar, Belle BaBar: PRD 74 (2006) 011103 Belle: PRL 97 (2006) 162001  $\Rightarrow$  Large  $\Lambda_c^+$  yields, 0.6 (0.8) M at Babar (Belle)

O Hadron Collider: LHCb

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#### **Selections**

○  $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+$ : ⇒  $p, K^-, \pi^+$  tracks: positive particle ID, not produced from primary vertices ⇒  $\Lambda_c^+$ : good vertex quality, separated from primary vertices ⇒  $p, K^-, \pi^+$  tracks and  $\Lambda_c^+$  have large  $p_T$ 

Multivariate Selection:



#### Mass spectrum

- A significant structure in right sign (RS) combinations
- Not present in wrong sign (WS) combinations
- Not observed for  $\Lambda_c^+$  background candidates
- Distributions similar except the peak in RS



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## **Mass fitting**

- Signal yield: 313 <u>+</u> 33
- Resolution: 6.6  $\pm$  0.8 MeV, consistent with simulated value
- Local significance >  $12\sigma$



#### **Compared with SELEX results**

○ Large mass difference:  $m(\Xi_{cc}^{++})_{LHCb} - m(\Xi_{cc}^{+})_{SELEX} = 103 \pm 2$ MeV

Inconsistent with being isospin partners

• Production:  $N(\Xi_{cc})/N(\Lambda_c^+)$  much smaller in LHCb result



#### **Analysis strategy**

• Same data sample, event selection as previous  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$  observation

- Specific trigger requirement to simplify trigger efficiency determination
- → Signal yields (2016): 313 → 304

#### • Measure decay time distribution relative to $\Lambda_b^0 \to \Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^-$

Acceptance correction based on MC

#### Weighted unbinned maximum likelihood fit (sFit)

Y. Xie, <u>arXiv:0905.072</u>

$$f_{\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}}(t) = f_{\Lambda_b^0}(t) \times \frac{\epsilon_{\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}}}{\epsilon_{\Lambda_b^0}} \times e^{-\left(\frac{t}{\tau_{\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}}} - \frac{t}{\tau_{\Lambda_b^0}}\right)}$$

## Predictions: long lived $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}$

W-exchange



#### • Predicted $\tau(\Xi_{cc}^{++})$ in range of [0.20, 1.05] ps

- Diquark model, effective constituent model, NRQCD potential model, harmonic oscillator model …
- Significant non-spectator contribution from Pauli-Interference diagrams



#### Pauli-interference

- $\circ \tau(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) \sim 3 4 \tau(\Xi_{cc}^{+})$ 
  - → Destructive Pauli interference in  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$  decays
  - → W-exchange between c and d quarks only in  $\Xi_{cc}^+$  decays

#### Lifetime fit



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## **Systematic Uncertainty**

Source	Uncertainty (ps)
Signal and background mass models	0.005
Correlation of mass and decay-time	0.004
Binning	0.001
Data-simulation differences	0.004
Resonant structure of decays	0.011
Hardware trigger threshold	0.002
Simulated $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$ lifetime	0.002
$\Lambda_b^0$ lifetime uncertainty	0.001
Sum in quadrature	0.014

#### O Binning:

 Systematics due to binned acceptance estimated with pseudo experiments

#### O Resonant:

→ Weight MC to match  $M(K^-\pi^+\pi^+)$ (for  $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}$ ), and  $M(\pi^-\pi^+\pi^-)$  (for  $\Lambda_b^0$ ) distributions in data

#### **Measured results:**

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

#### **Cross-checks and Results**

Various cross-checks had been done: no evidence of other effects

- → Charge:  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$  vs.  $\overline{\Xi}_{cc}^{--}$
- Magnet polarities: Down vs. Up

Number of PV

- Binned  $\chi^2$  fit: consistent with nominal result
- $\Lambda_b^0$  lifetime using simulation-based acceptance correction, consistent with PDG Value

Confirmation of  $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}$  with  $\mathcal{Z}_{c}^{+}\pi^{+}$  channel First measurement of  $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}$  lifetime: weakly decay



## $\mathcal{Z}_c^+\pi^+$ Prediction

$$\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{\rm cc}^{++} \to \Xi_{\rm c}^{+} \pi^{+}) = \left(\frac{\tau_{\Xi_{\rm cc}^{++}}}{300 \,\mathrm{fs}}\right) \times 7.2\%.$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{c}^{+} \to pK^{-}\pi^{+}) = (2.2 \pm 0.8)\%. \\ &\text{as } \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{c}^{+} \to p\overline{K}^{*0}) / \mathcal{B}(\Xi_{c}^{+} \to pK^{-}\pi^{+}) = 0.54 \pm 0.10 \quad [33]. \\ &\text{Besides, the relation } \mathcal{A}(\Xi_{c}^{+} \to p\overline{K}^{*0}) = \mathcal{A}(\Lambda_{c}^{+} \to \Sigma^{+}K^{*0}) \\ &\text{holds under } U\text{-spin symmetry. With the measurement} \\ &\text{of } \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_{c}^{+} \to \Sigma^{+}K^{*0}) = (0.36 \pm 0.10)\% \quad [34], \text{ the branching} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{\rm cc}^{++} \to \Sigma_{\rm c}^{++}(2455)\overline{\rm K}^{*0}) = \left(\frac{\tau_{\Xi_{\rm cc}^{++}}}{300\,{\rm fs}}\right) \times (3.8 \sim 24.6)\%,$$
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#### Signal and control channels

- Signal channel:  $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \to \Xi_{c}^{+}\pi^{+}$ , with  $\Xi_{c}^{+} \to pK^{-}\pi^{+}$
- Control channels:

$$\stackrel{>}{\rightarrow} \Xi_{cc}^{++} \to \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+, \text{ with } \Lambda_c^+ \to p K^- \pi^+$$

 $\Rightarrow \Lambda_b^0 \to \Lambda_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^-, \Lambda_b^0 \to \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-, \text{ with } \Lambda_c^+ \to p K^- \pi^+$ 

 $\Rightarrow \Lambda_b^0$  data is used to calibrate trigger efficiency, and life time measurement





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#### **Event selection**

- Hadron trigger: hardware trigger  $(p, K, \pi)$ , and high level software trigger  $(\Xi_c^+)$
- Final state hadrons, p, K, π: particle ID, not produced from primary vertex (PV)
- $\land \Lambda_c^+$  or  $\Xi_c^+$ : good vertex quality, separated from PV
- Multivariate selector is used to further suppress the backgrounds
  - ⇒  $p_T$ , decay angle, vertex fitting quality, IP  $\chi^2$ , flight distance

As a follow-up analysis of 
$$\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$$
,  
 $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+$  has similar selection cuts  
as in previous analysis.



#### Mass measurement

• The measured  $\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++}$  mass is (with  $\mathcal{Z}_{c}^{+}\pi^{+}$  channel):

⇒ 3620.56 ± 1.5 (*stat*) ± 0.4 (*syst*) ± 0.3 ( $\mathcal{Z}_c^+$ ) MeV/ $c^2$ 

- Consistent with  $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$  result:
  - ⇒ 3621.40 ± 0.72 (*stat*) ± 0.27 (syst) ± 0.14 (Λ<sup>+</sup><sub>c</sub>) MeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Combined results: ⇒ 3621.24 ± 0.65 (stat) ± 0.31 (syst) MeV/c<sup>2</sup> Confirm previous LHCb observation of  $\Xi_{cc}^{++}$ LHCb LHCb



## **Branching fraction measurement**

The ratio of branching fraction is defined as:

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \to \Xi_{c}^{+}\pi^{+})}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \to \Lambda_{c}^{+}K^{-}\pi^{+}\pi^{+})} \times \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{c}^{+} \to pK^{-}\pi^{+})}{\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_{c}^{+} \to pK^{-}\pi^{+})}$$
$$= \frac{N(\Xi_{c}^{+}\pi^{+})}{N(\Lambda_{c}^{+}K^{-}\pi^{+}\pi^{+})} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon(\Lambda_{c}^{+}K^{-}\pi^{+}\pi^{+})}{\varepsilon(\Xi_{c}^{+}\pi^{+})}$$

No direct branching fraction measurement of  $\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow p K^- \pi^+$  from experiments.

Measure the signal yields and efficiency for each channel

- $\bigcirc \mathcal{R} = 0.035 \pm 0.009 (stat) \pm 0.003 (syst)$ 
  - Consistent with prediction

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## Uncertainty

Ξ	$Z_{cc}^{++}  ightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+$ channel	
Source	Mass $[MeV/c^2]$	$\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{B})$ [%]
Momentum calibration	0.38	
Selection bias correction	0.10	
Fit model	0.05	5.2
Relative efficiency		6.5
Simulation modelling		1.2
Selection		0.7
Sum in quadrature	0.40	8.5

With limited statistics of both signal and control samples, the dominated uncertainty is statistical uncertainty (1.5 MeV, 0.009)