



Baryon spectroscopy at LHCb

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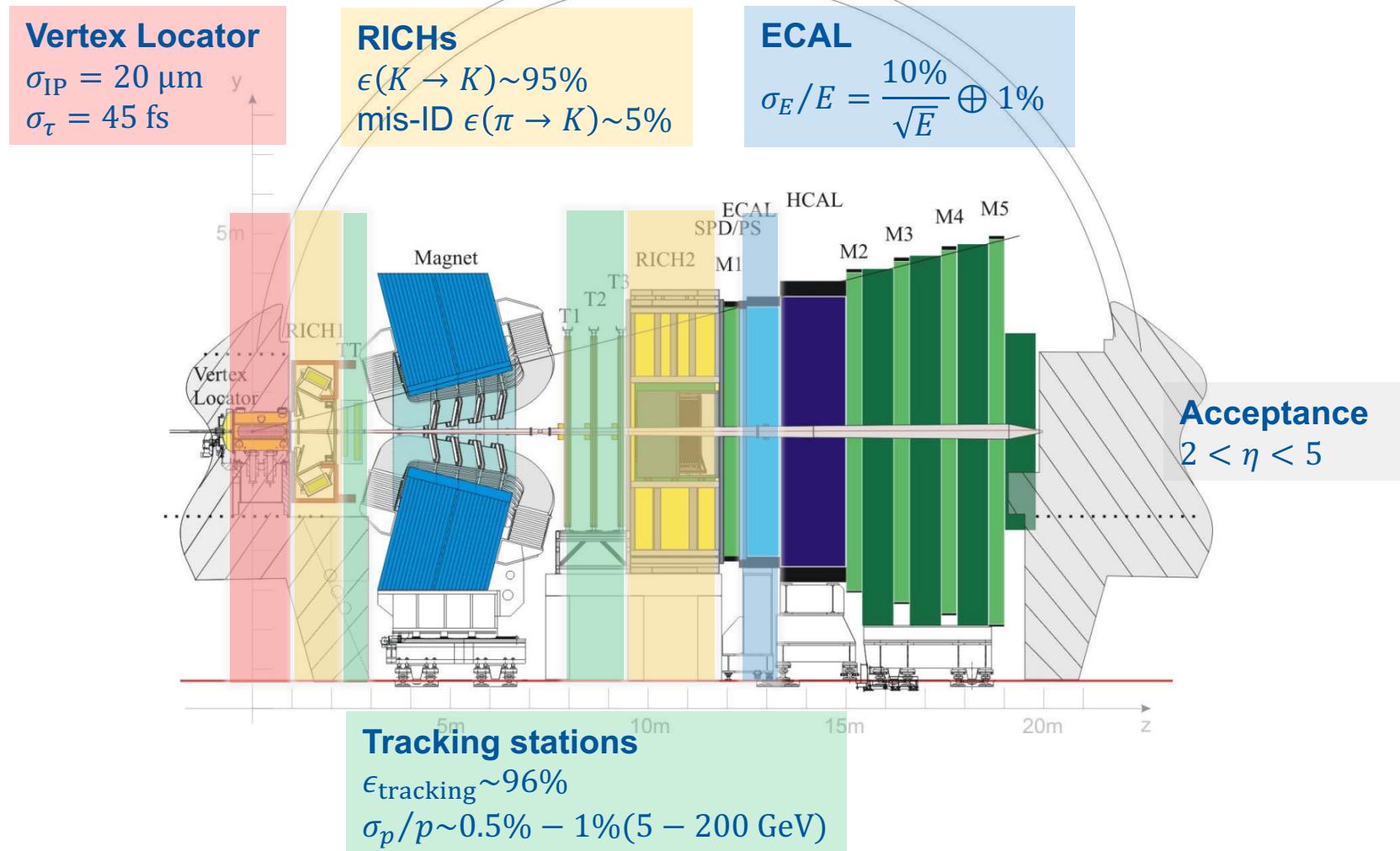
Introduction

- Hadron spectrum is the primary observable of QCD
- LHCb has been providing propellants for heavy flavour spectroscopy
- Focus on very recent results of baryon spectroscopy
 - Beautiful baryons
 - ▶ Observation of new excited Σ_b^\pm states
 - ▶ Observation of new excited Λ_b states (**NEW**)
 - ▶ Observation of a new excited Ξ_b state
 - Doubly charmed baryons
 - ▶ Observation of $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+$
 - ▶ A search for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+$ (**NEW**)

The LHCb detector

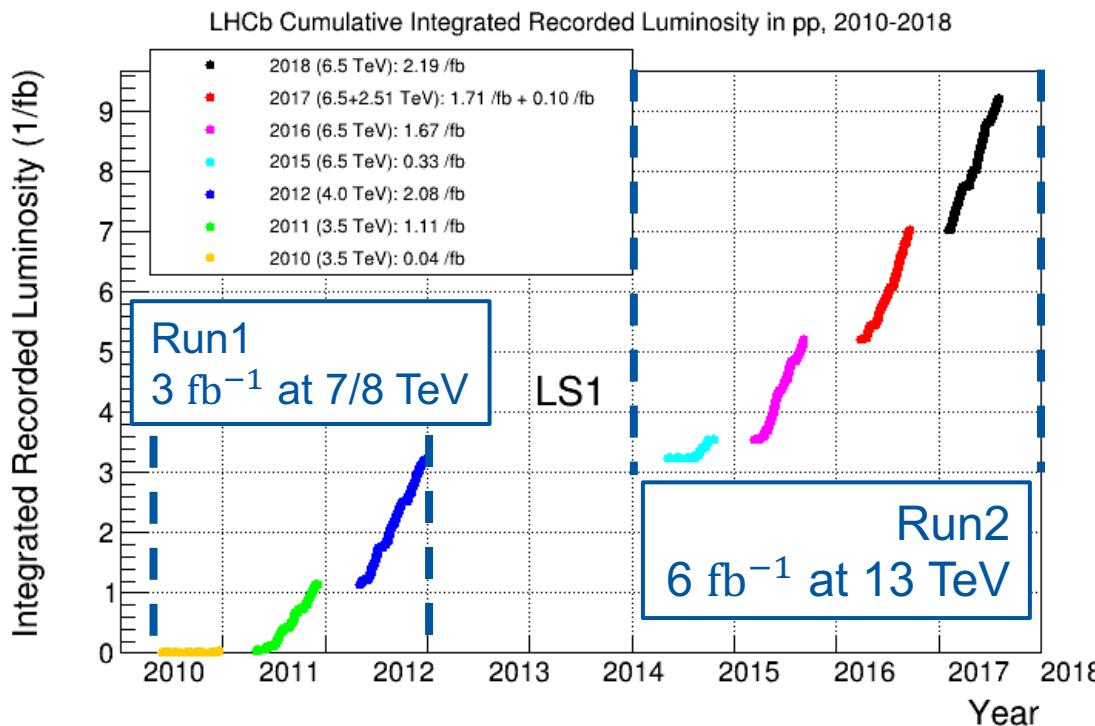
JINST 3 (2008) S08005
IJMPA 30 (2015) 1530022

- A single-arm forward spectrometer at LHC



LHCb data taking

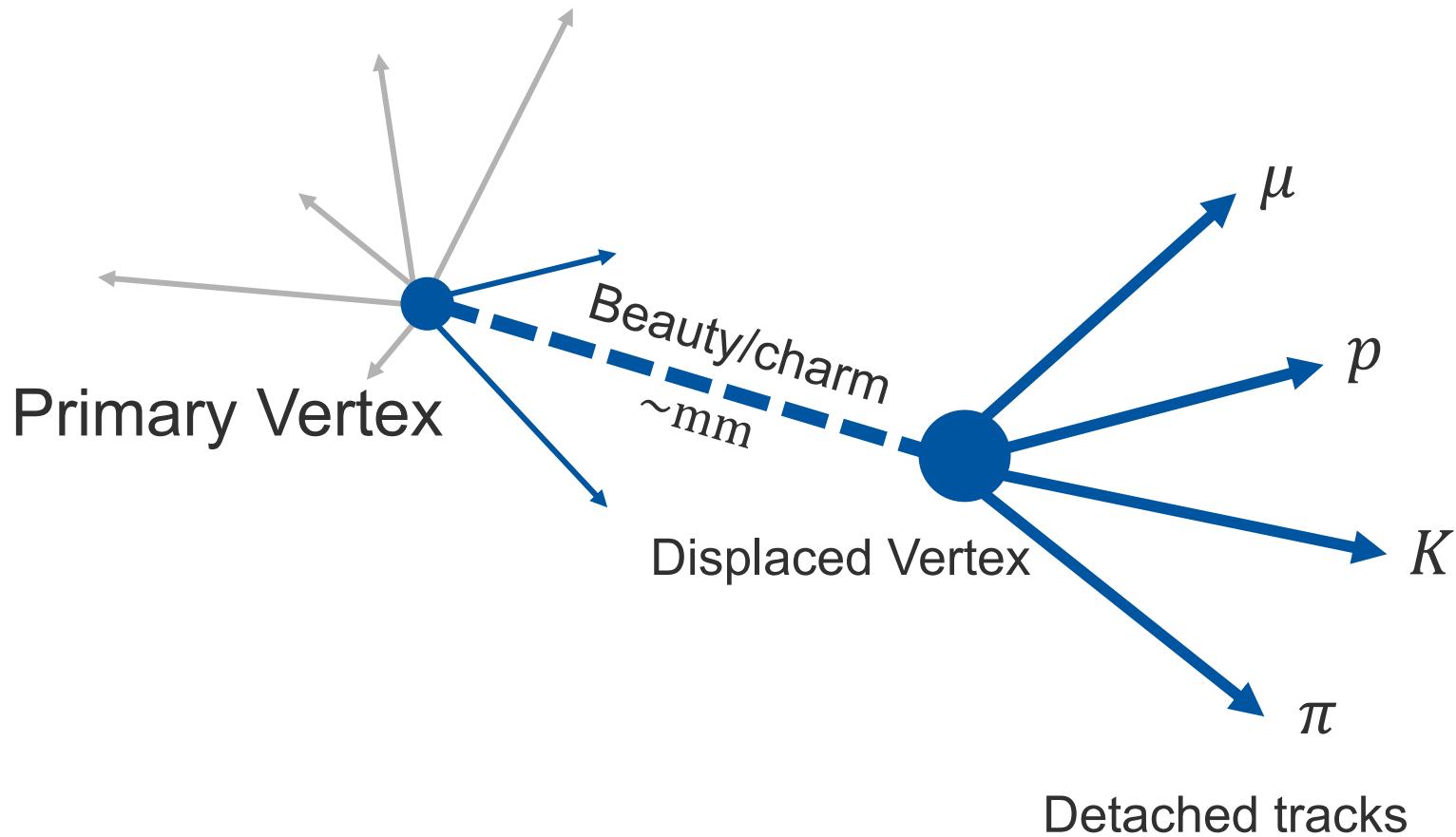
- A huge amount of $b\bar{b}$ and $c\bar{c}$ have been produced
 - About $10^{12} b\bar{b}$ and $10^{13} c\bar{c}$
- High b -baryon production fraction
 - $B:B_s:\Lambda_b \approx 4:1:2$



About 9 fb^{-1}
accumulated in
Run1+Run2

Reconstruct heavy flavour decays at LHCb

~200 prompt tracks in acceptance



BEAUTIFUL BARYONS

$$\Lambda_b^0 = udb$$

$$\Sigma_b^+ = uub \quad \Sigma_b^0 = udb \quad \Sigma_b^- = ddb$$

$$\Xi_b^0 = usb \quad \Xi_b^- = dsb$$

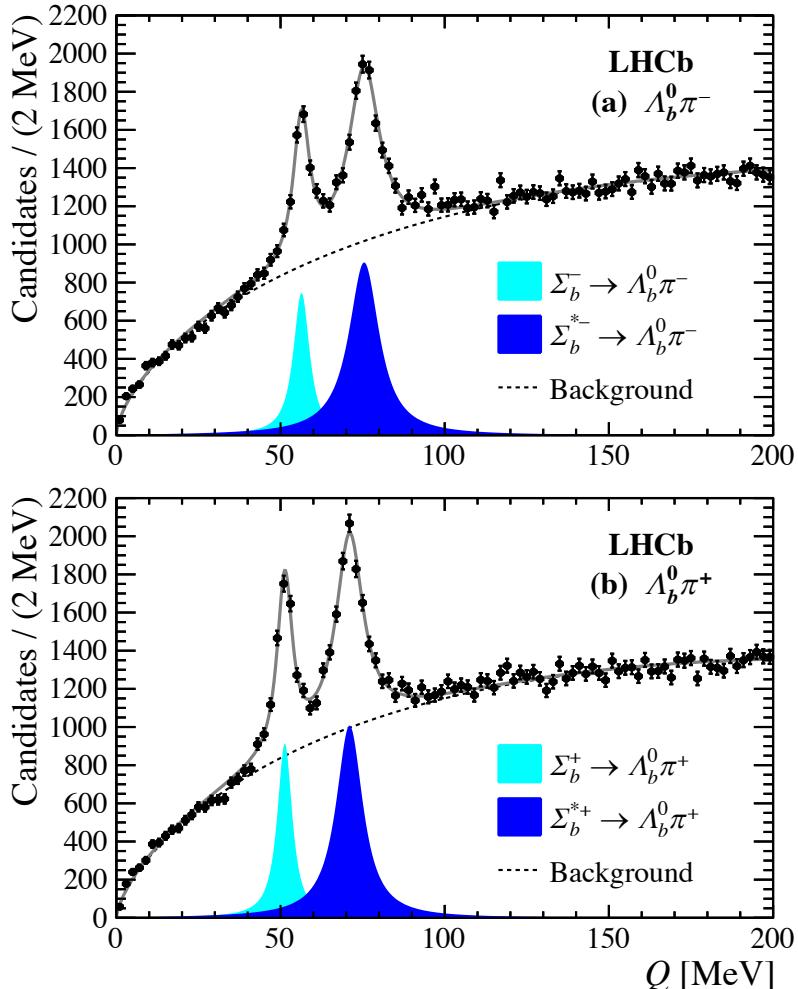
$$\Omega_b^- = ssb$$

Σ_b and Σ_b^* at LHCb

PRL 122 (2019) 012001

- Study $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^\pm$ mass spectra
- With $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \pi^- \Lambda_c^+ (\rightarrow p K^- \pi^+)$
- 230k Λ_b^0 candidates in 3 fb^{-1}
- Measure mass and width
 - Agree with CDF measurement
 - Improved by a factor of 5

Quantity	Value [MeV]
$m(\Sigma_b^-)$	$5815.64 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.24$
$m(\Sigma_b^{*-})$	$5834.73 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.25$
$m(\Sigma_b^+)$	$5810.55 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.23$
$m(\Sigma_b^{*+})$	$5830.28 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.24$
$\Gamma(\Sigma_b^-)$	$5.33 \pm 0.42 \pm 0.37$
$\Gamma(\Sigma_b^{*-})$	$10.68 \pm 0.60 \pm 0.33$
$\Gamma(\Sigma_b^+)$	$4.83 \pm 0.31 \pm 0.37$
$\Gamma(\Sigma_b^{*+})$	$9.34 \pm 0.47 \pm 0.26$



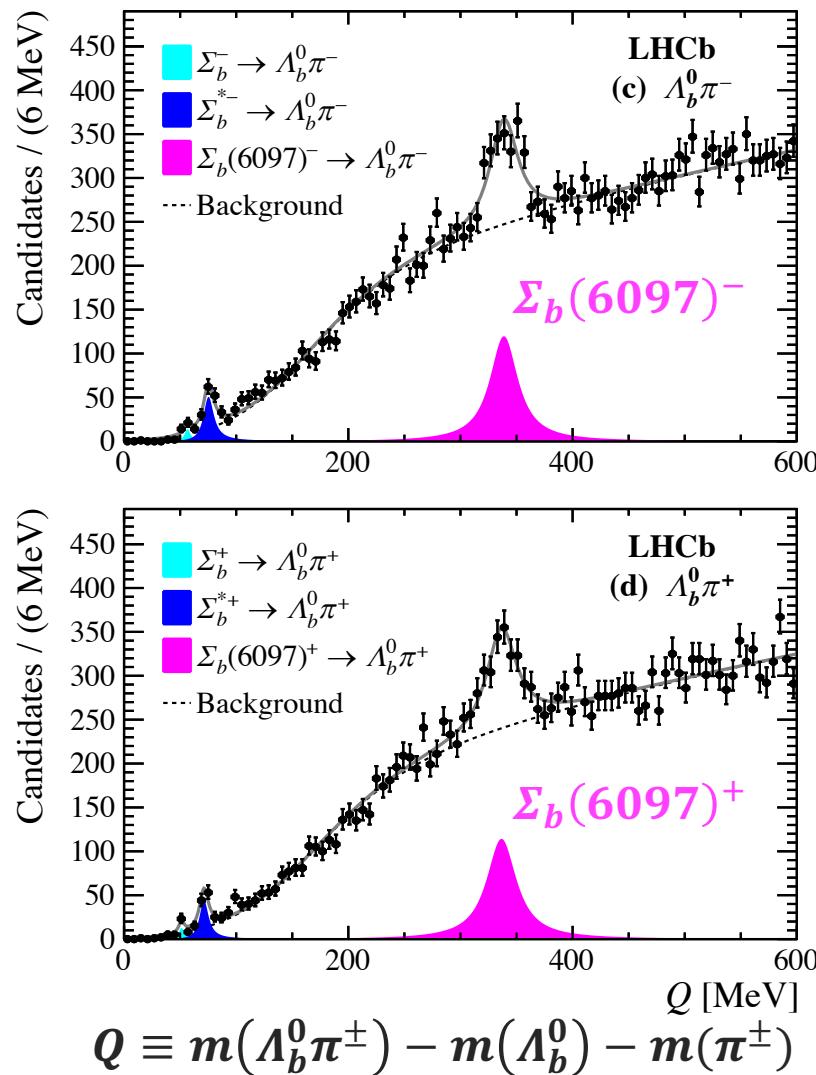
$$Q \equiv m(\Lambda_b^0 \pi^\pm) - m(\Lambda_b^0) - m(\pi^\pm)$$

Observation of $\Sigma_b(6097)^\pm$

PRL 122 (2019) 012001

- Extend to higher mass region
 - With tighter $p_T(\pi_s)$ requirement
- Fit the Q -value distributions
- Compatible with $\Sigma_b(1P)$ states
 - Expected in heavy-quark limit
 - Might be a superposition of several resonances

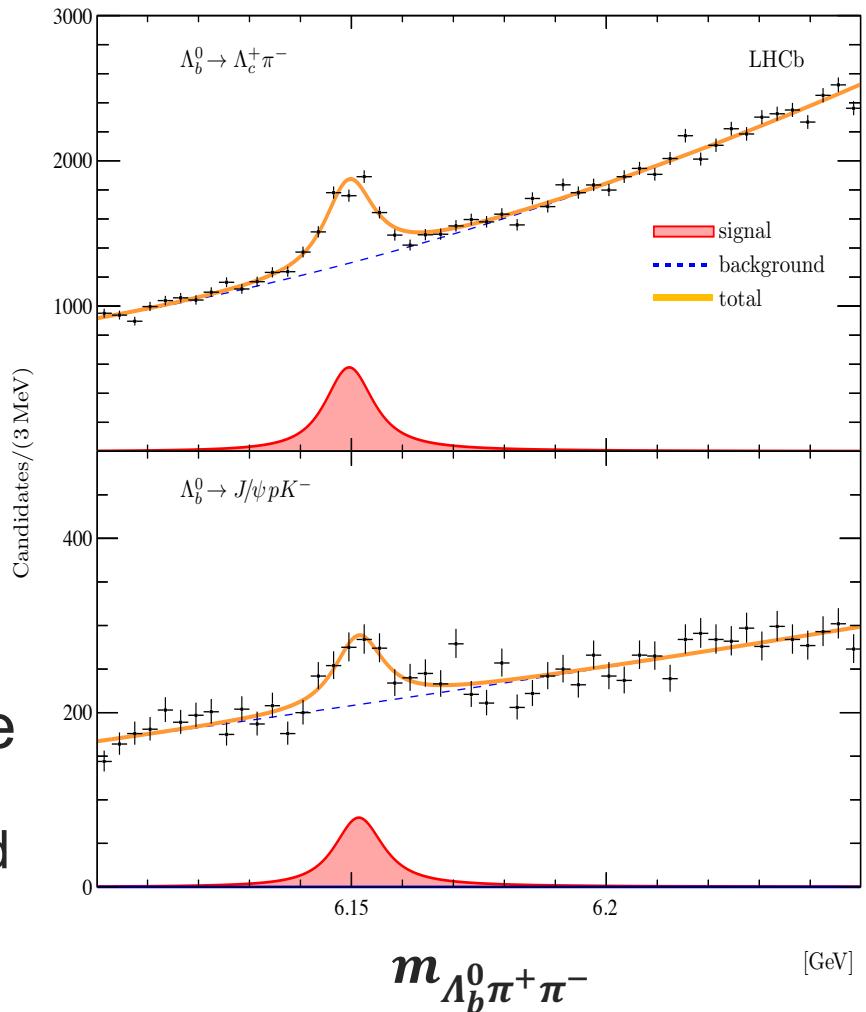
Quantity	Value [MeV]
$m(\Sigma_b(6097)^-)$	$6098.0 \pm 1.7 \pm 0.5$
$m(\Sigma_b(6097)^+)$	$6095.8 \pm 1.7 \pm 0.4$
$\Gamma(\Sigma_b(6097)^-)$	$28.9 \pm 4.2 \pm 0.9$
$\Gamma(\Sigma_b(6097)^+)$	$31.0 \pm 5.5 \pm 0.7$



Λ_b^0 excitations in $\Lambda_b^0\pi^+\pi^-$

arXiv:1907.13598

- Study $\Lambda_b^0\pi^+\pi^-$ spectra
- With $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \pi^-\Lambda_c^+(\rightarrow pK^-\pi^+)$
- 900k Λ_b^0 candidates in 9 fb^{-1}
- Structure around 6.15 GeV
- Cross-check with
 - $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$
- Investigate decay substructure
 - Mass above the $\Sigma_b^{(*)\mp}\pi^\pm$ threshold



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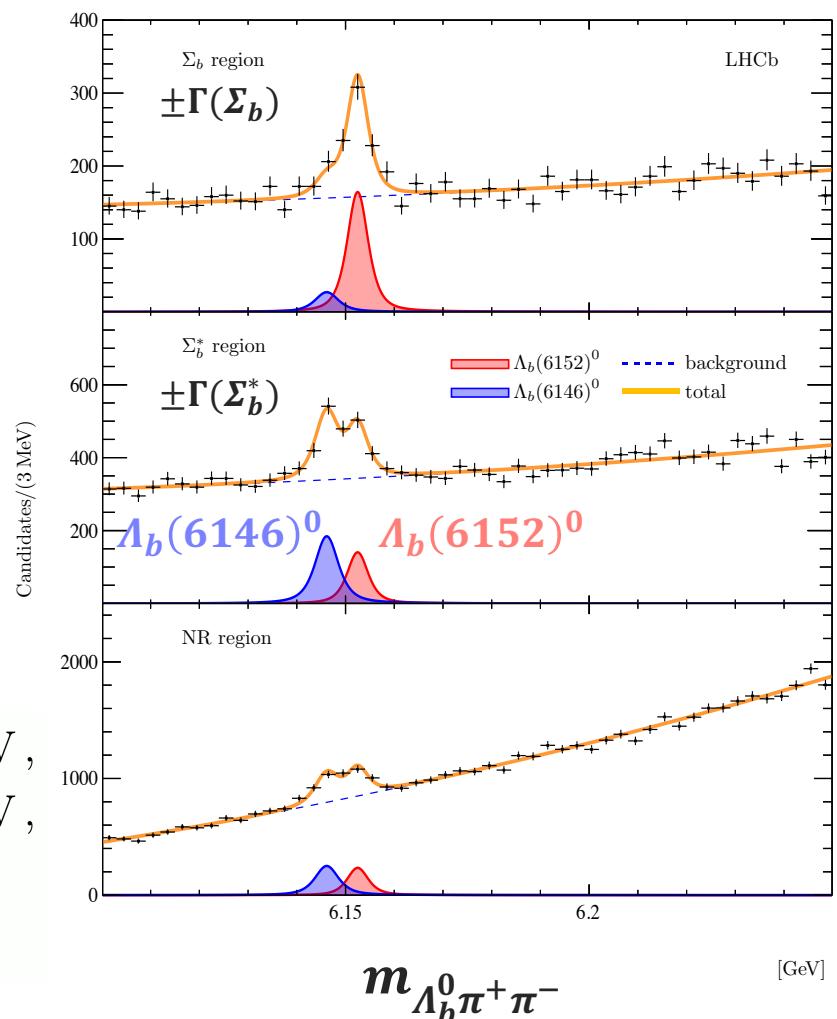
- Split by $\Lambda_b^0\pi^\pm$ invariant mass
 - Σ_b region
 - Σ_b^* region
 - Nonresonant (NR) region
- A simultaneous fit
 - Two-signal hypothesis with 7σ
- Almost degenerate narrow states

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

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

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

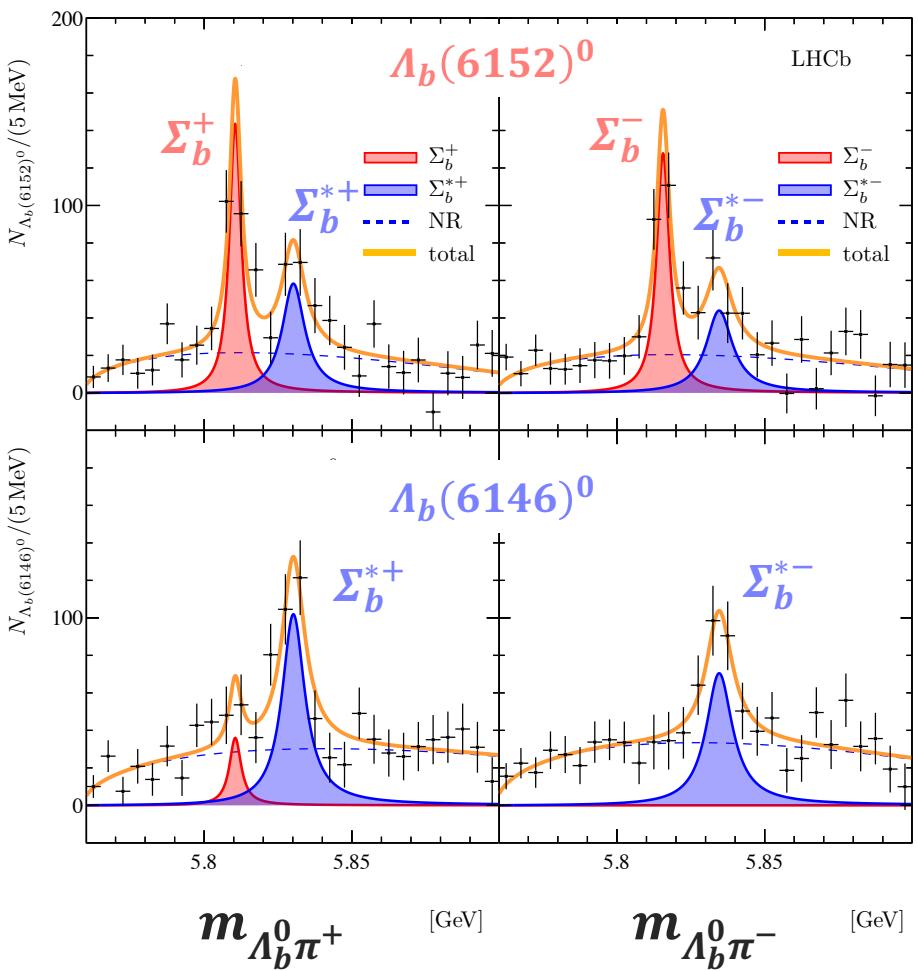
$$\Gamma_{\Lambda_b(6152)^0} = 2.1 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.3 \text{ MeV},$$



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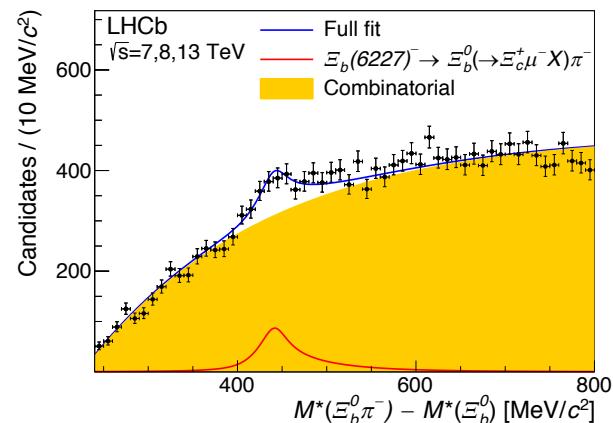
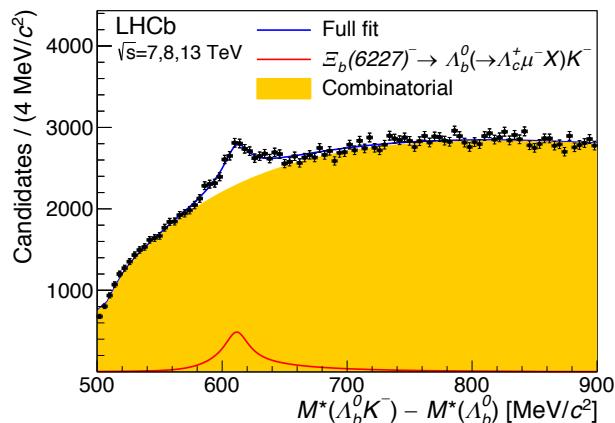
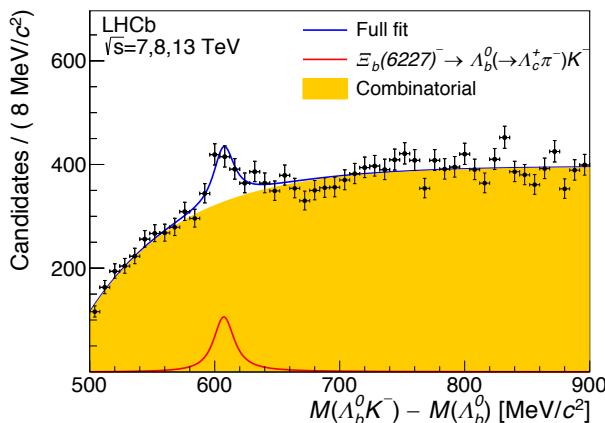
- Study $\Lambda_b^0\pi^\pm$ spectra
 - sPLOT technique
- Different couplings
 - $\Lambda_b(6152)^0$ to both Σ_b and Σ_b^*
 - $\Lambda_b(6146)^0$ primarily to Σ_b^*
- Consistent with the $\Lambda_b(1D)^0$ doublet of $J^P = \frac{3}{2}^+$ and $\frac{5}{2}^+$
 - Observed mass
 - Measured natural width
 - Observed decay pattern



Observation of $\Xi_b(6227)^-$

PRL 121 (2018) 072002

- Study the $\Lambda_b^0 K^-$ and $\Xi_b^0 \pi^-$ spectra in 4.5 fb^{-1}
- The most massive baryon observed so far
 - $m_{\Xi_b(6227)^-} = 6226.9 \pm 2.0 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.2 \text{ MeV}$
 - $\Gamma_{\Xi_b(6227)^-} = 18.1 \pm 5.4 \pm 1.8 \text{ MeV}$



$$\Xi_b(6227)^- \rightarrow \Lambda_b^0 (\rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \pi^-) K^-$$

$$\Xi_b(6227)^- \rightarrow \Lambda_b^0 (\rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ \mu^- X) K^-$$

$$\Xi_b(6227)^- \rightarrow \Xi_b^0 (\rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \mu^- X) \pi^-$$

Observation of $\Xi_b(6227)^-$

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- Production ratios

$$R(\Lambda_b^0 K^-) \equiv \frac{f_{\Xi_b(6227)^-}}{f_{\Lambda_b^0}} \mathcal{B}(\Xi_b(6227)^- \rightarrow \Lambda_b^0 K^-)$$

$$R(\Xi_b^0 \pi^-) \equiv \frac{f_{\Xi_b(6227)^-}}{f_{\Xi_b^0}} \mathcal{B}(\Xi_b(6227)^- \rightarrow \Xi_b^0 \pi^-)$$

Quantity [10 ⁻³]	7, 8 TeV	13 TeV
$R(\Lambda_b^0 K^-)$	$3.0 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.4$	$3.4 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.4$
$R(\Xi_b^0 \pi^-)$	$47 \pm 10 \pm 7$	$22 \pm 6 \pm 3$

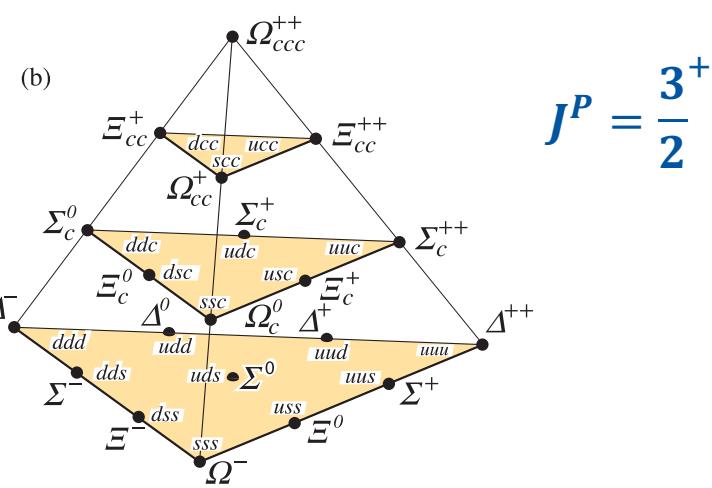
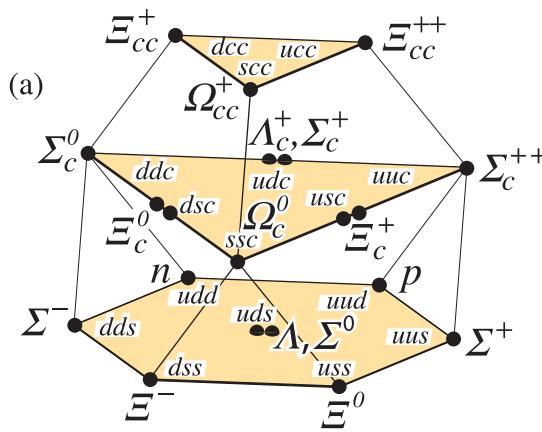
- Assuming $f_{\Xi_b^0} \approx 0.1 f_{\Lambda_b^0}$
 $\mathcal{B}(\Xi_b(6227)^- \rightarrow \Lambda_b^0 K^-)/\mathcal{B}(\Xi_b(6227)^- \rightarrow \Xi_b^0 \pi^-) \approx 1$
- Candidate of $\Xi_b(1P)^-$ or $\Xi_b(2S)^-$ or the admixture?

DOUBLY CHARMED BARYONS

The doubly charmed baryons

- Two SU(4) 20-plets containing SU(3) triplets
 - $\Xi_{cc}^+ = ccd$, $\Xi_{cc}^{++} = ccu$, $\Omega_{cc}^+ = ccs$

$$J^P = \frac{1}{2}^+$$

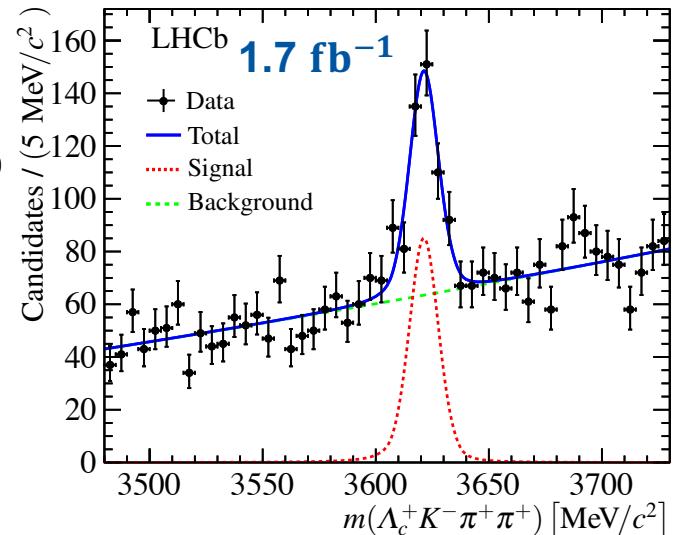
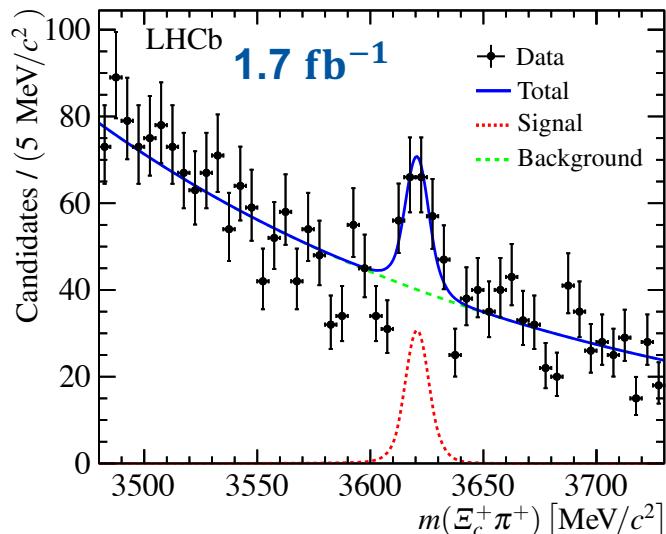


- Ξ_{cc}^{++} was observed in the $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$ final state in 2017
 - $m_{\Xi_{cc}^{++}} = 3621.40 \pm 0.72 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.14$ MeV PRL 119 (2017) 112001
 - $\tau_{\Xi_{cc}^{++}} = 0.256^{+0.024}_{-0.022} \pm 0.014$ ps PRL 121 (2018) 052002

Observation of $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+$

PRL 121 (2018) 162002

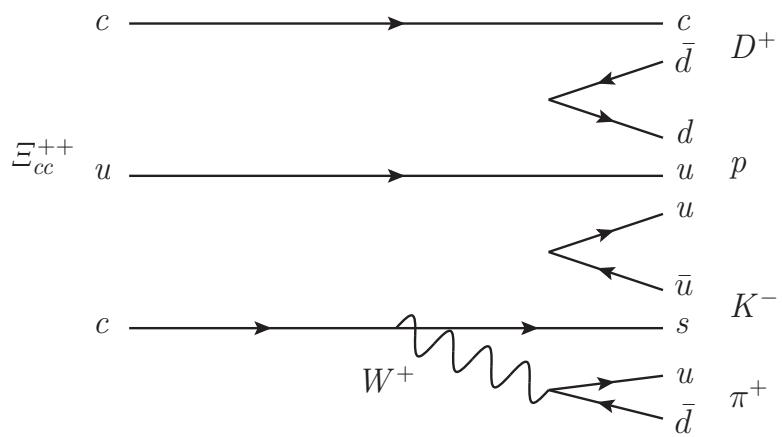
- Study $\Xi_c^+(\rightarrow pK^-\pi^+)\pi^+$ spectrum
- Significance of 5.9σ
- Weighted average
 - $m_{\Xi_{cc}^{++}} = 3621.24 \pm 0.65 \pm 0.31 \text{ MeV}$
- $\mathcal{R} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+; \Xi_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+; \Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+)}$
 - $\mathcal{R} = (3.5 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-2}$
 - $\mathcal{B}(\Xi_c^+ \rightarrow pK^-\pi^+) = (0.45 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.07)\%$
[Belle, Phys.Rev. D100 031101]
 - $\frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_c^+ \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+)} \approx 0.5$



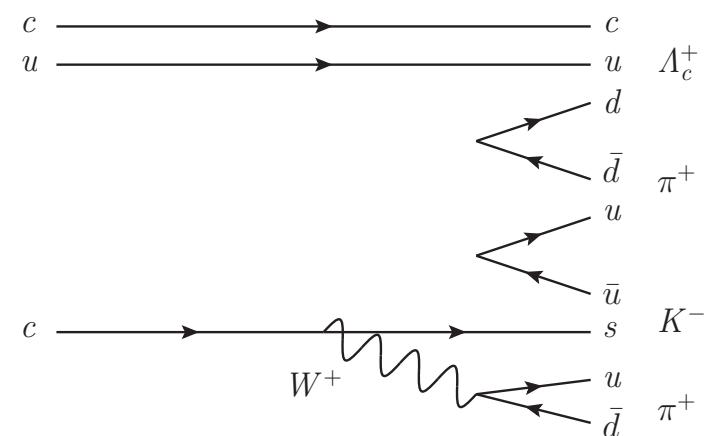
A search for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+$

arXiv:1905.02421

- Helpful to further understand the dynamics of Ξ_{cc}^{++}
- Efficient D^+ trigger at LHCb
- Low branching fraction due to small phase space



$Q = 180$ MeV

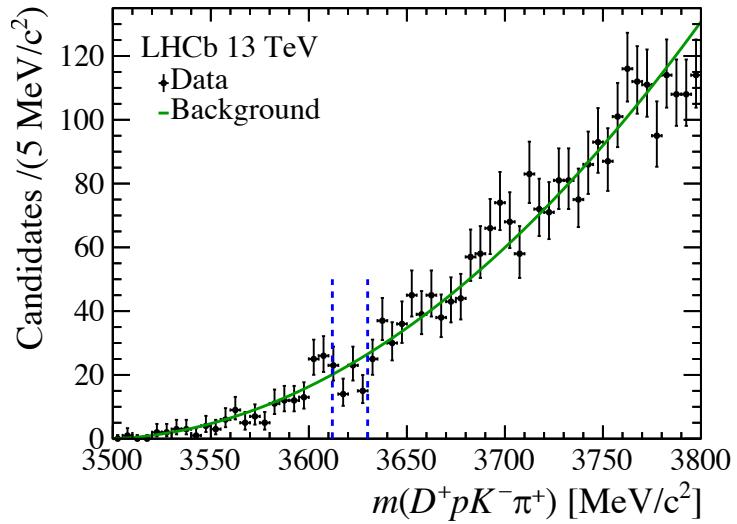
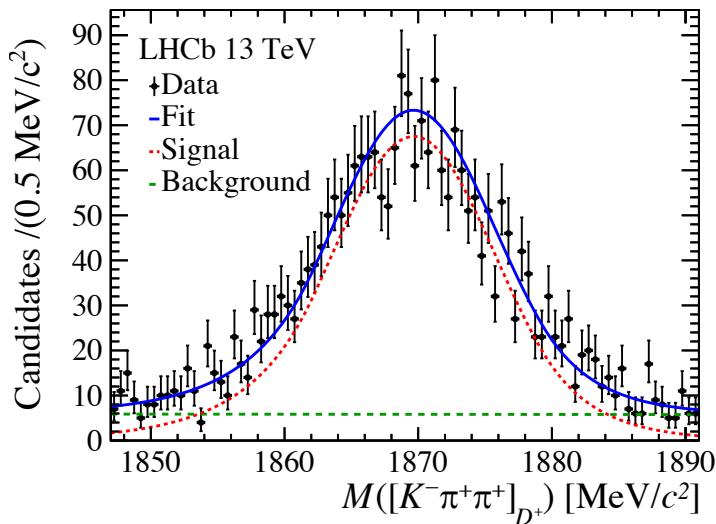


$Q = 320$ MeV

A search for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+$

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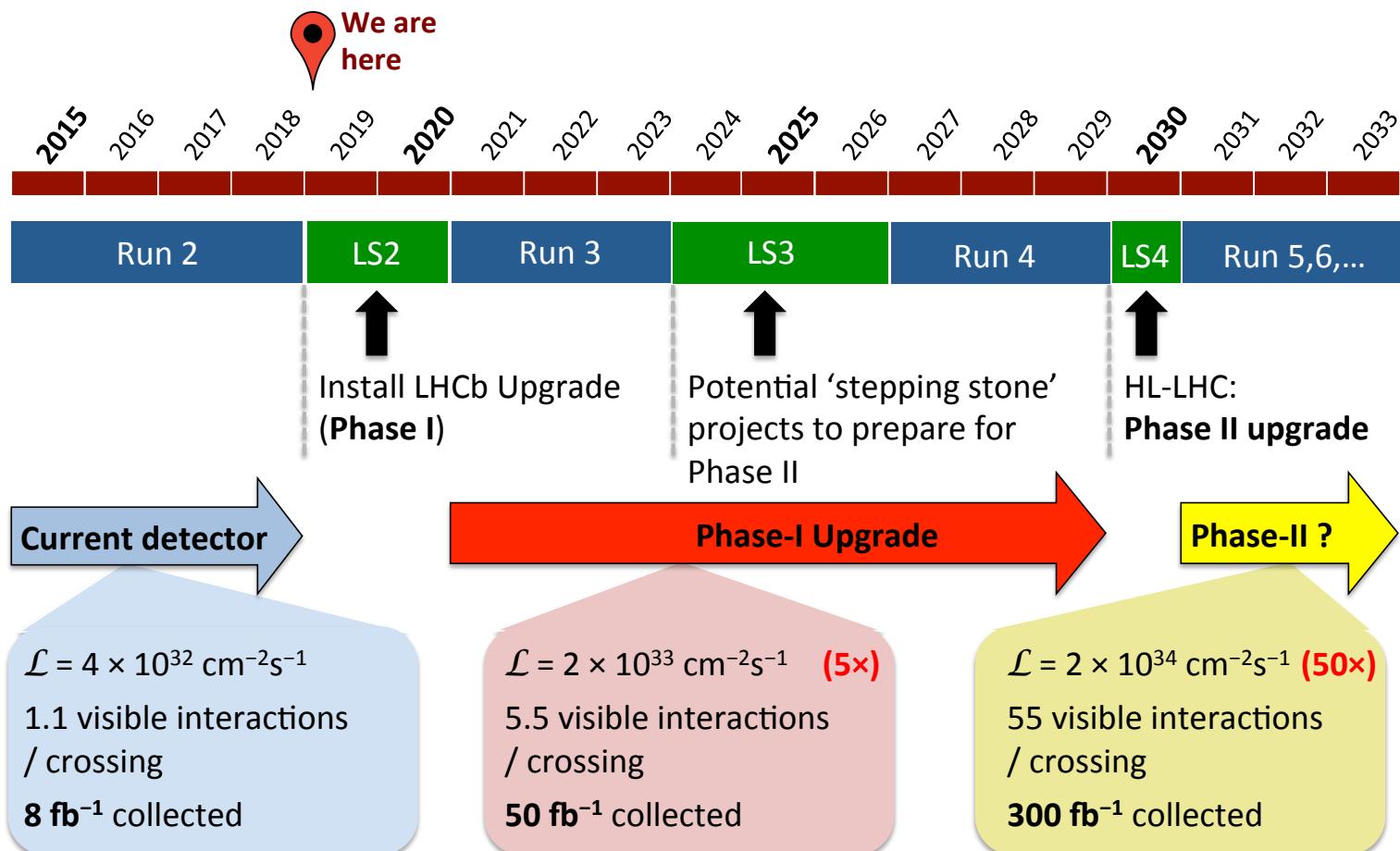
- Study the $D^+ p K^- \pi^+$ spectrum with 2016 data of 1.7 fb^{-1}
- With $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
- No significant signal is observed
- Upper limit on $\mathcal{R} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow D^+ p K^- \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+)}$
 - $\mathcal{R} < 2.1 \times 10^{-2}$ at 95% CL



Prospects

CERN-LHCC-2011-001
CERN-LHCC-2017-003

- LHCb Upgrade I: installation ongoing
- LHCb Upgrade II: investigation started



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Projection of the yield

CERN-LHCC-2018-027

- LHCb data sample will be boosted
 - Observation of new states
 - Precise measurement of the observed states

Decay mode	23 fb ⁻¹	LHCb 50 fb ⁻¹	300 fb ⁻¹
$B^+ \rightarrow X(3872)(\rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-) K^+$	14k	30k	180k
$B^+ \rightarrow X(3872)(\rightarrow \psi(2S)\gamma) K^+$	500	1k	7k
$B^0 \rightarrow \psi(2S) K^- \pi^+$	340k	700k	4M
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ D^0 \bar{D}^0$	10	20	100
$\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$ [*]	680k	1.4M	8M
$\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda K^-$	4k	10k	55k
$\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$	7k	15k	90k
$\Xi_{bc}^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \Xi_c^+$	50	100	600

[*] Updated according to the latest measurement

Summary

- LHCb has been and will continue providing propellants for heavy flavour spectroscopy
 - Observation of several beautifully excited baryons
 - Progress in the sector of doubly charmed baryons
 - The full Run1+Run2 data are being exploited
 - The ongoing upgrade will increase the instantaneous luminosity by a factor of 5 with fully software trigger

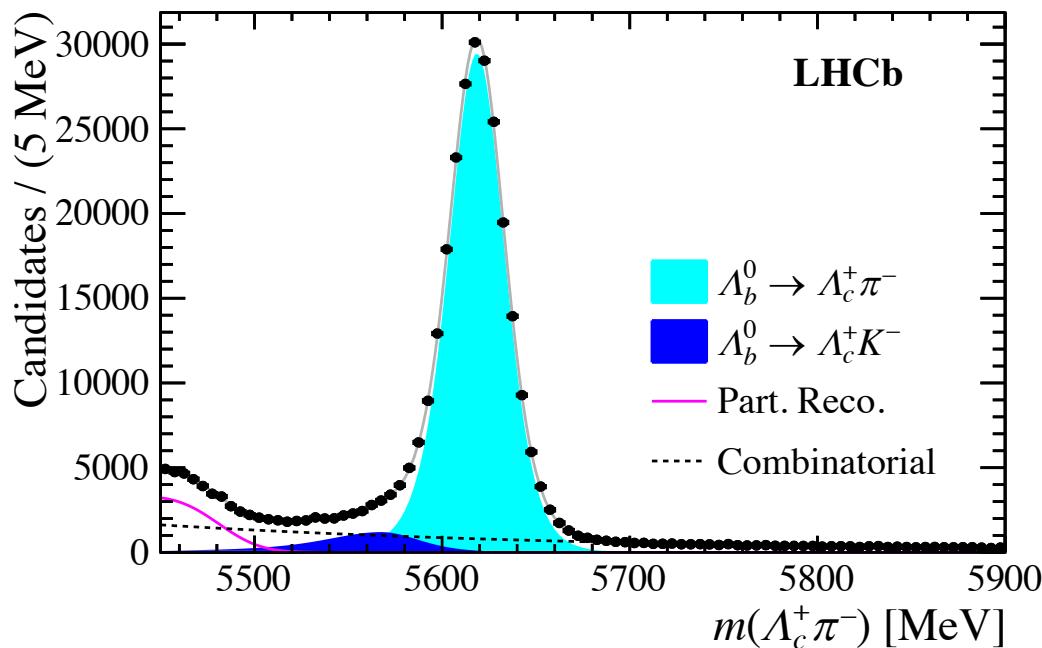
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- $\Lambda_b^0\pi^+\pi^-$ spectra
- With $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \pi^-\Lambda_c^+(\rightarrow pK^-\pi^+)$ and $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow pK^-J/\psi (\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$

