



Heavy flavour spectroscopy at LHCb

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Outline

- ◆ **The LHCb detector**
- ◆ **Heavy Meson spectroscopy**
 - ◆ **D_{sJ} spectroscopy (LHCb-PAPER-2012-016)**
 - ◆ **B^{**} spectroscopy (LHCb-CONF-2011-053)**
- ◆ **Heavy Baryon spectroscopy**
 - ◆ **Charged b-baryons (LHCb-CONF-2011-060)**
 - ◆ **Neutral b-baryons (LHCb-CONF-2011-036, arXiv:1205.3452)**
 - ◆ **Excited b-baryons (arXiv:1205.3452)**

- ✓ Optimized for the strongly forward peaked heavy quark production at LHC

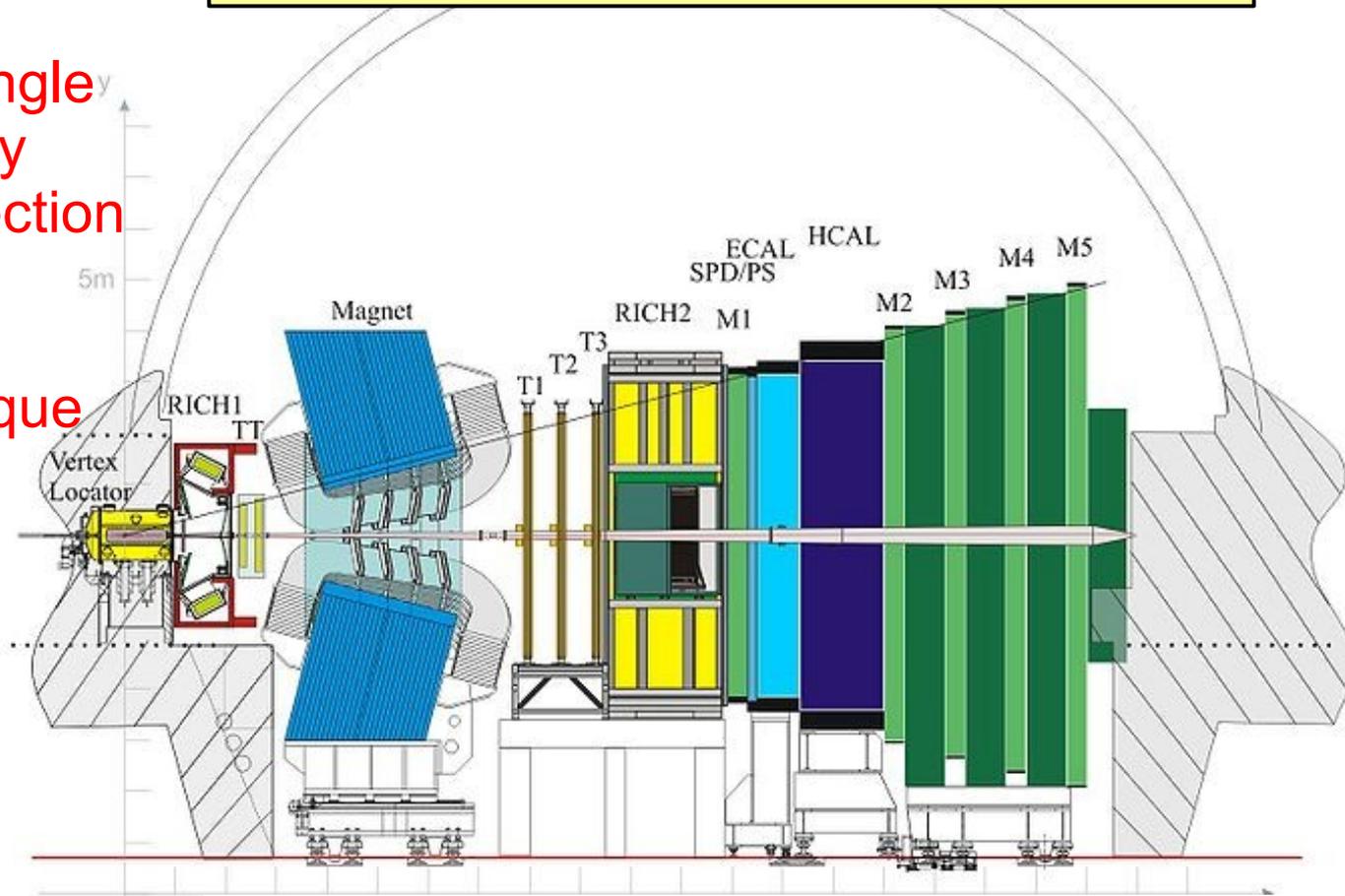
2011 → $L \sim 1.0/\text{fb}$, $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{TeV}$
 2012 → $L \sim 0.6/\text{fb}$ so far, $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{TeV}$

- ✓ Covers $\sim 4\%$ of the solid angle but captures $\sim 40\%$ of heavy flavour production cross-section

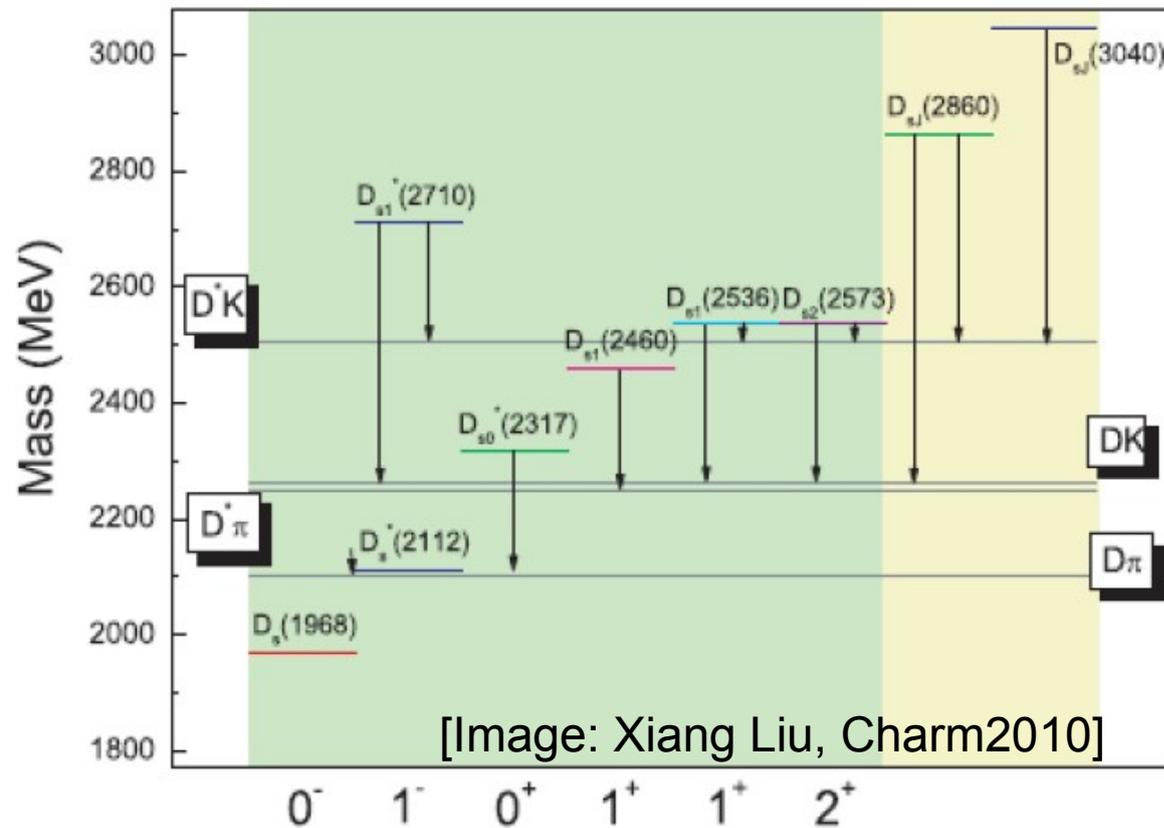
- ✓ Single-arm forward spectrometer, covers a unique rapidity range: $2 < \eta < 5$

- ✓ Great tracking, vertexing and PID performance

- ✓ Excellent machine for B and charm physics



More info have a look at M.Britsch's talk on Monday



NEW

LHCb studied the D^+K_s and D^0K^+ invariant mass spectra, and confirm the existence of the $D_{s1}^*(2700)^+$ and $D_{sJ}^*(2860)^+$ states.

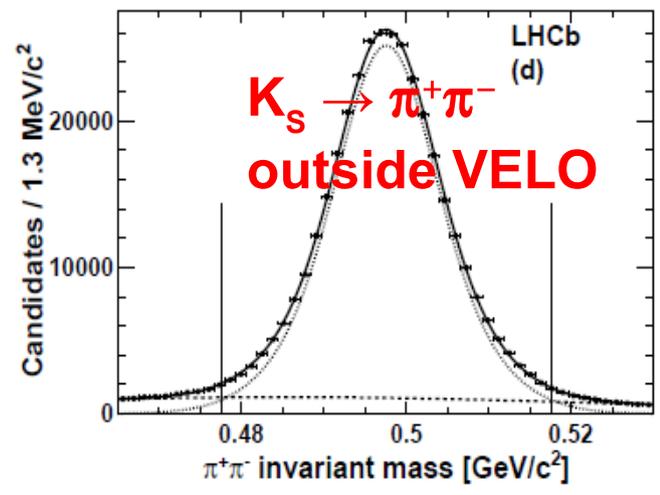
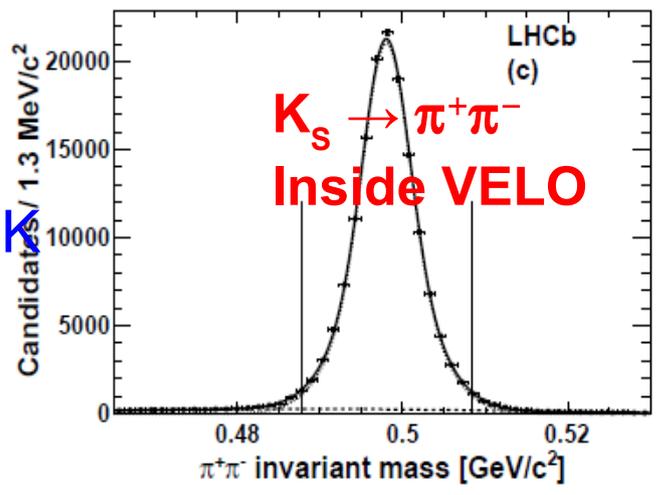
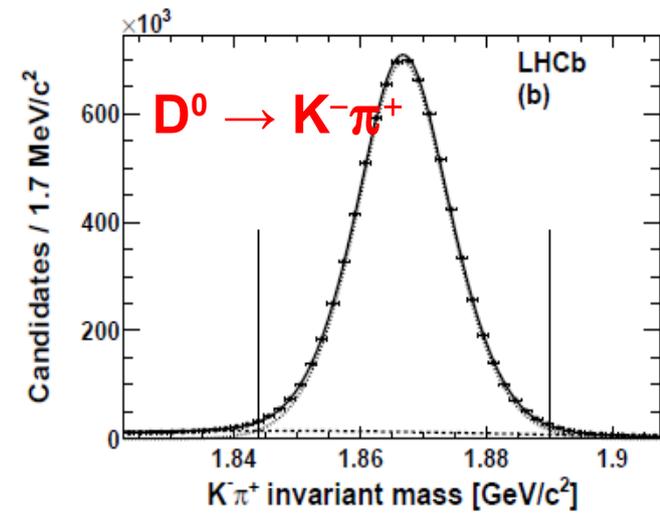
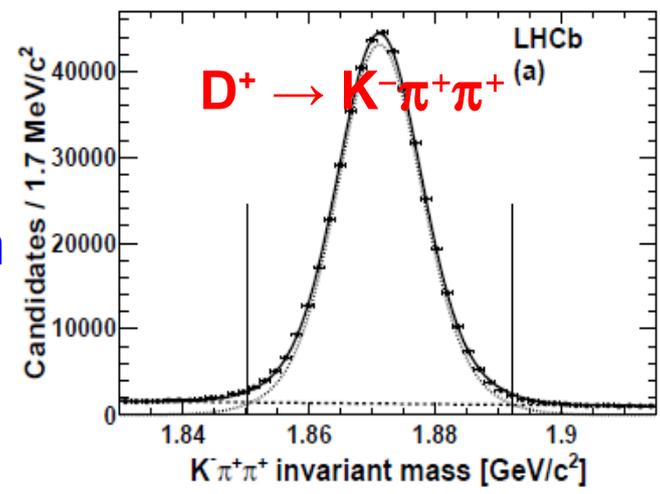
The experimental study of the D_{sJ} spectrum has prompted a quite large controversy:

- ✓ $D_{s0}^*(2317)^+$ and $D_{s1}^*(2460)^+$ were discovered by the B-factories (2003) with masses smaller than expected from HQET

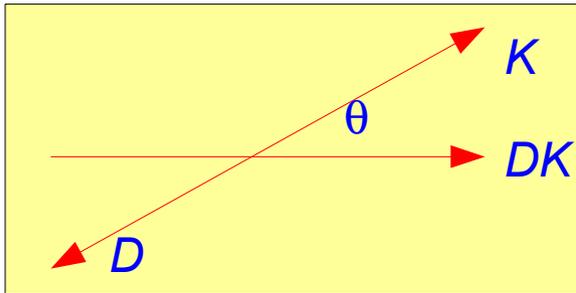
- ✓ A set of higher mass states observed by the B-factories (2006-2009), $D_{s1}^*(2700)$, $D_{sJ}^*(2860)$ and $D_{sJ}(3040)$, in DK and D^*K final states

- ✓ Although $J^P=3^-$ spin assignment suggested for $D_{sJ}^*(2860)$, BR measurements are not compatible with BR predictions.

- ✓ $L=1/\text{fb}$ of 2011 data
- ✓ Inclusive reconstruction of D^+K_s and D^0K^+ final states from pp collisions.
- ✓ Purity of prompt meson candidates $>95\%$
- ✓ We select only candidates inside D and K signal regions



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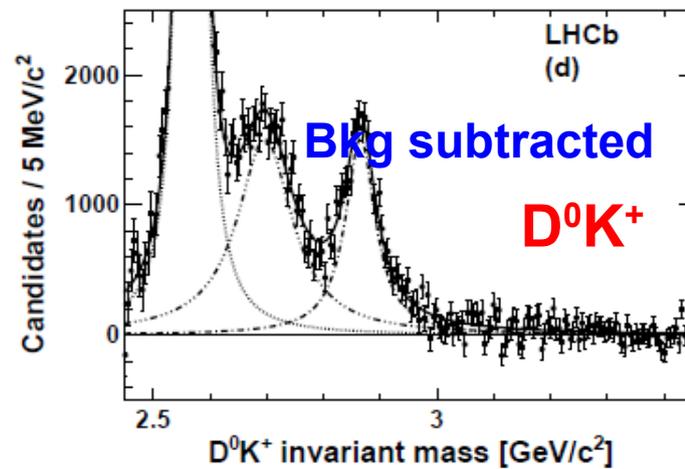
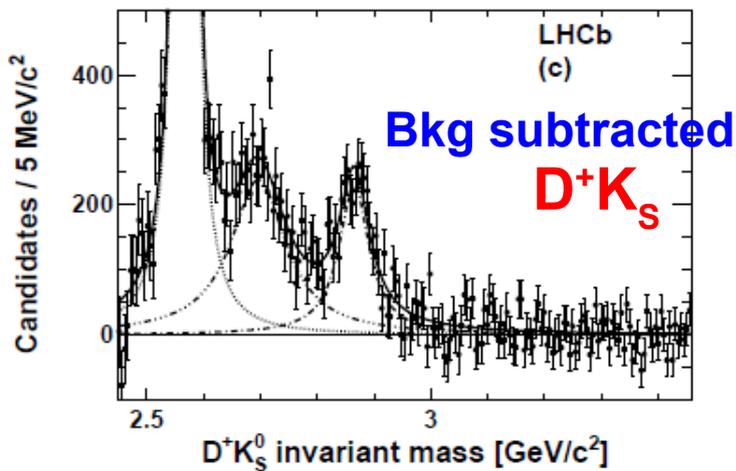
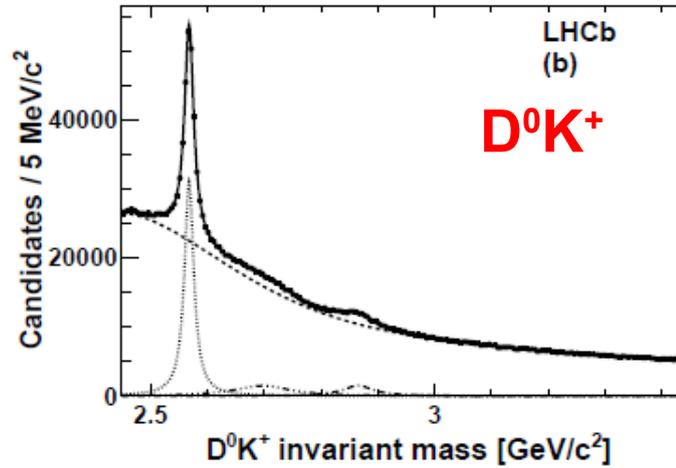
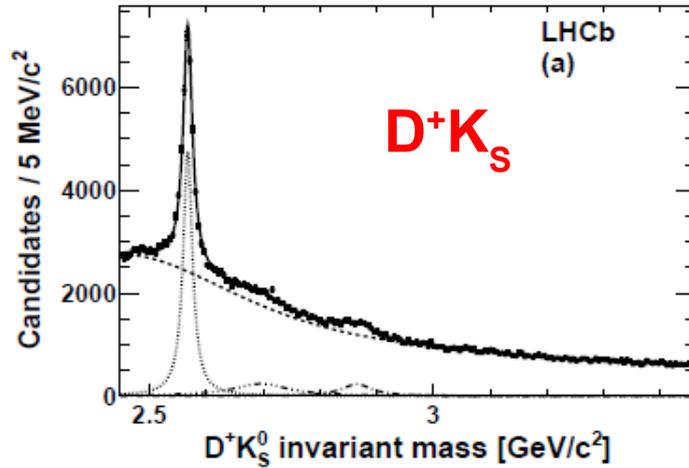


Very large
combinatorial
rejection by
selecting $\cos\theta > 0$

✓ $D_{s2}^*(2573)^+$ clear
peak, $D_{s1}^*(2700)^+$ and
 $D_{sJ}^*(2860)^+$

✓ The states are
described using
relativistic BW
lineshapes and the
background as a
linear combination of
orthogonal
polynomials

✓ Simultaneous fit



Yields

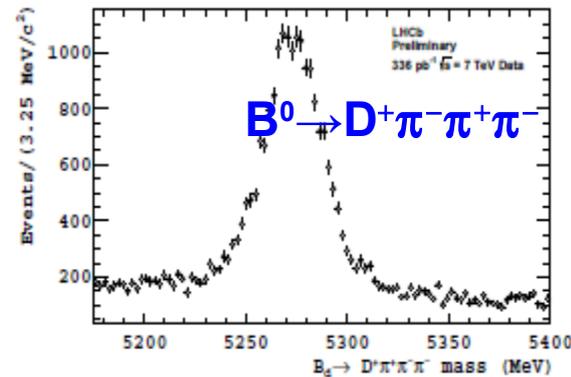
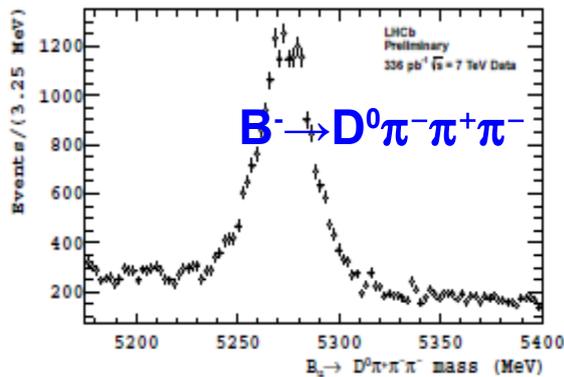
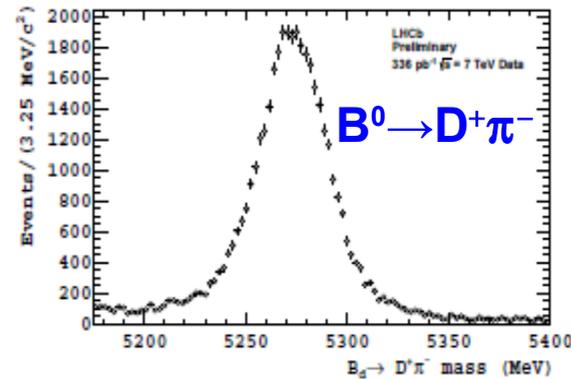
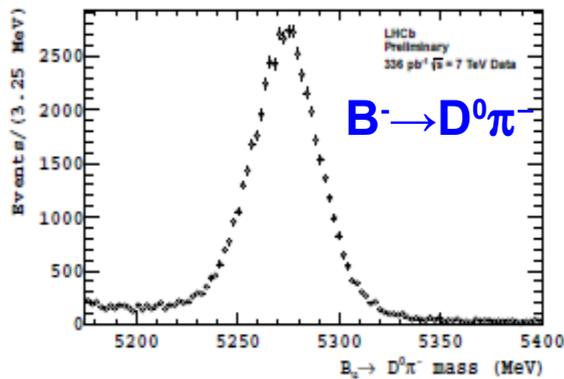
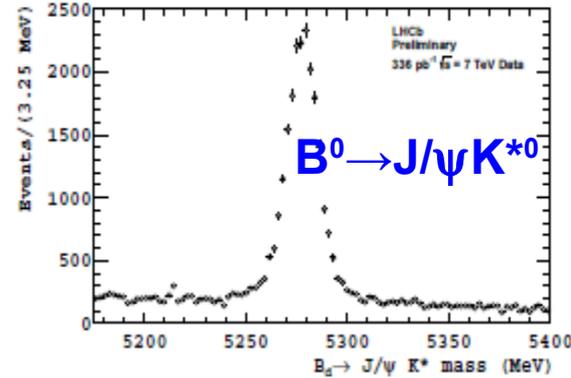
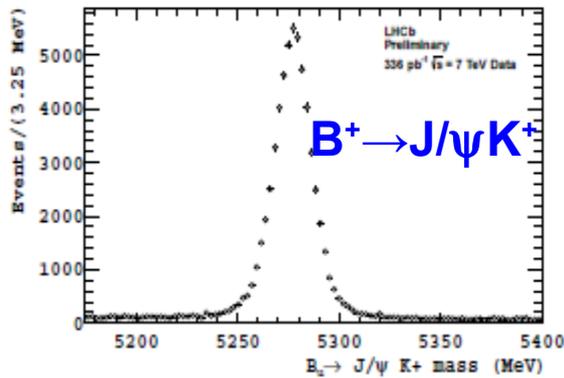
Decay mode	$D_{s1}^*(2700)^+$	$D_{sJ}^*(2860)^+$
$D^+ K_S^0$	7897 ± 637	4456 ± 332
$D^0 K^+$	49871 ± 2659	29172 ± 1306

$$\begin{aligned}
 m(D_{s1}^*(2700)^+) &= 2709.4 \pm 1.9(\text{stat}) \pm 4.5 (\text{syst}) \text{ MeV}/c^2, \\
 \Gamma(D_{s1}^*(2700)^+) &= 121.7 \pm 7.3(\text{stat}) \pm 12.1(\text{syst}) \text{ MeV}, \\
 m(D_{sJ}^*(2860)^+) &= 2866.7 \pm 1.0(\text{stat}) \pm 6.3 (\text{syst}) \text{ MeV}/c^2, \\
 \Gamma(D_{sJ}^*(2860)^+) &= 64.5 \pm 3.2(\text{stat}) \pm 6.6 (\text{syst}) \text{ MeV}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- ✓ Results are compatible with previous results from the B-factories
- ✓ First time $D_{s1}^*(2700)^+$ and $D_{sJ}^*(2860)^+$ are observed in hadronic collisions, and confirm the existence of these states
- ✓ Uncertainty dominated by systematic effects. Most contributing effect from background description
- ✓ Further analysis of the D^*K final states is needed to complete the picture around the $D_{sJ}^*(2860)^+$ state

$B_{(s)}$ ** spectroscopy

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336/pb, 2011 data

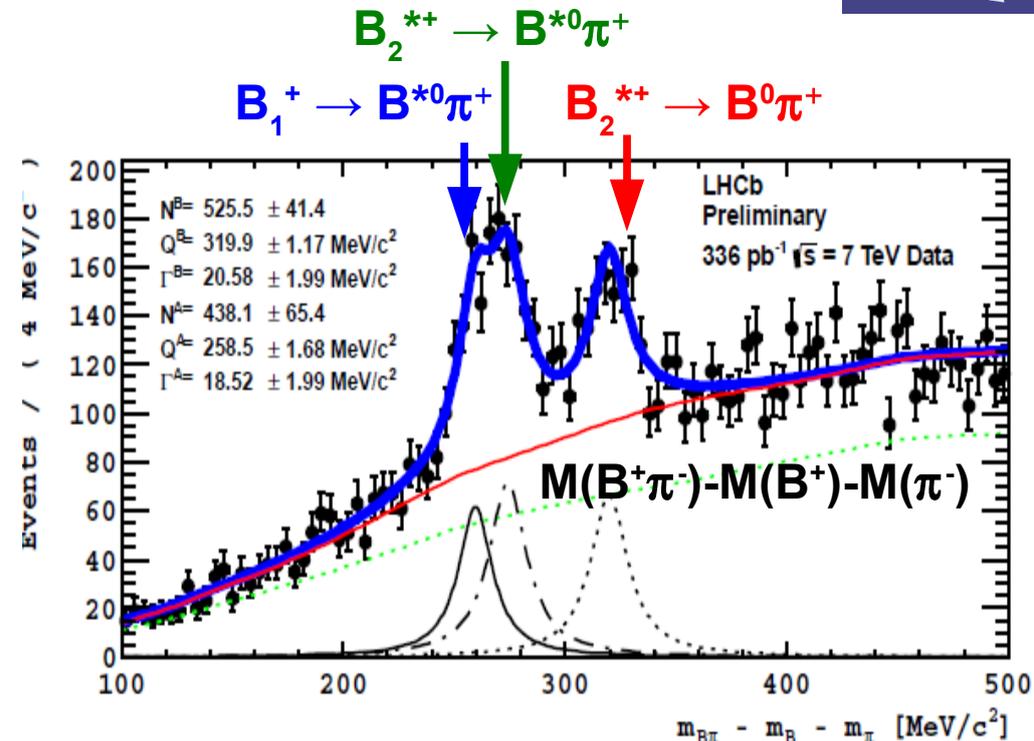
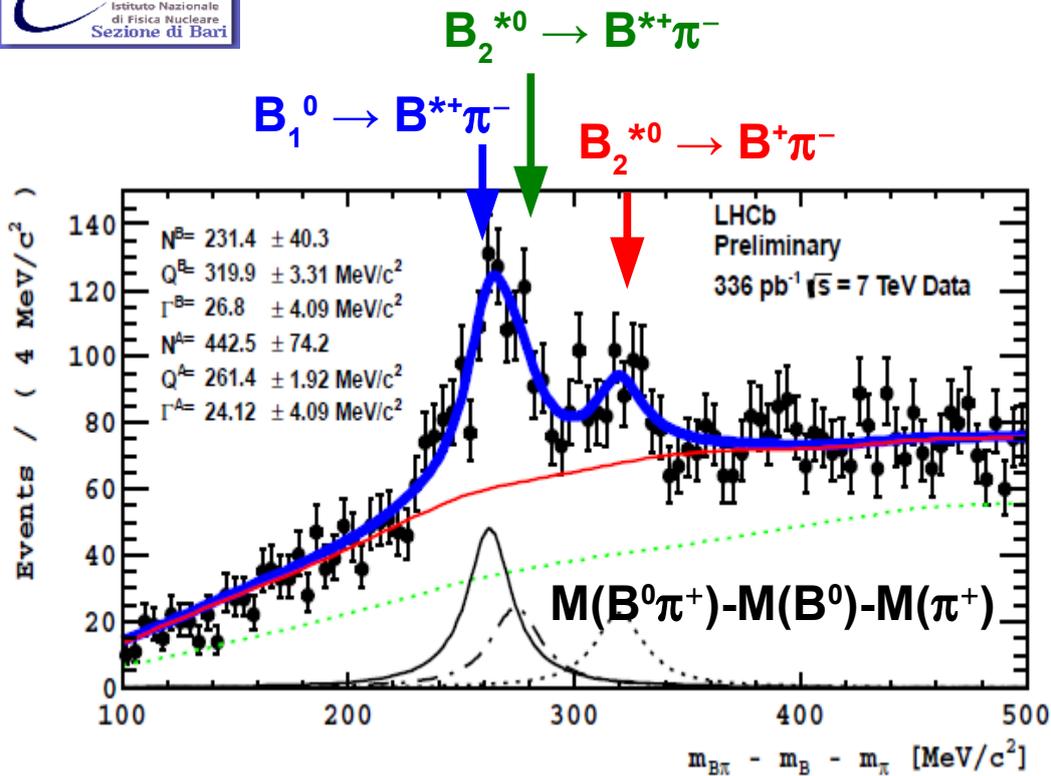


✓ B-mesons properties are predicted from HQET in the limit of infinite b-quark mass

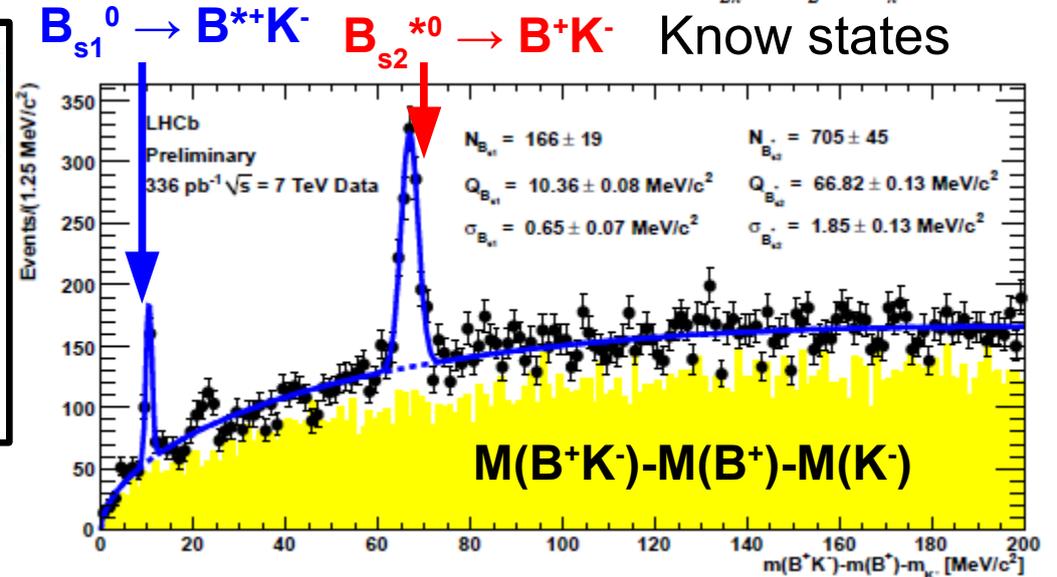
✓ Reconstruction of B_h and $B^*(B\gamma)h$ decay modes. Soft photon is not reconstructed

- ✓ $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$
- ✓ $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$
- ✓ $D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$
- ✓ $K^{*0}(892) \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-$
- ✓ Particle ID and track quality constraints applied to all tracks.

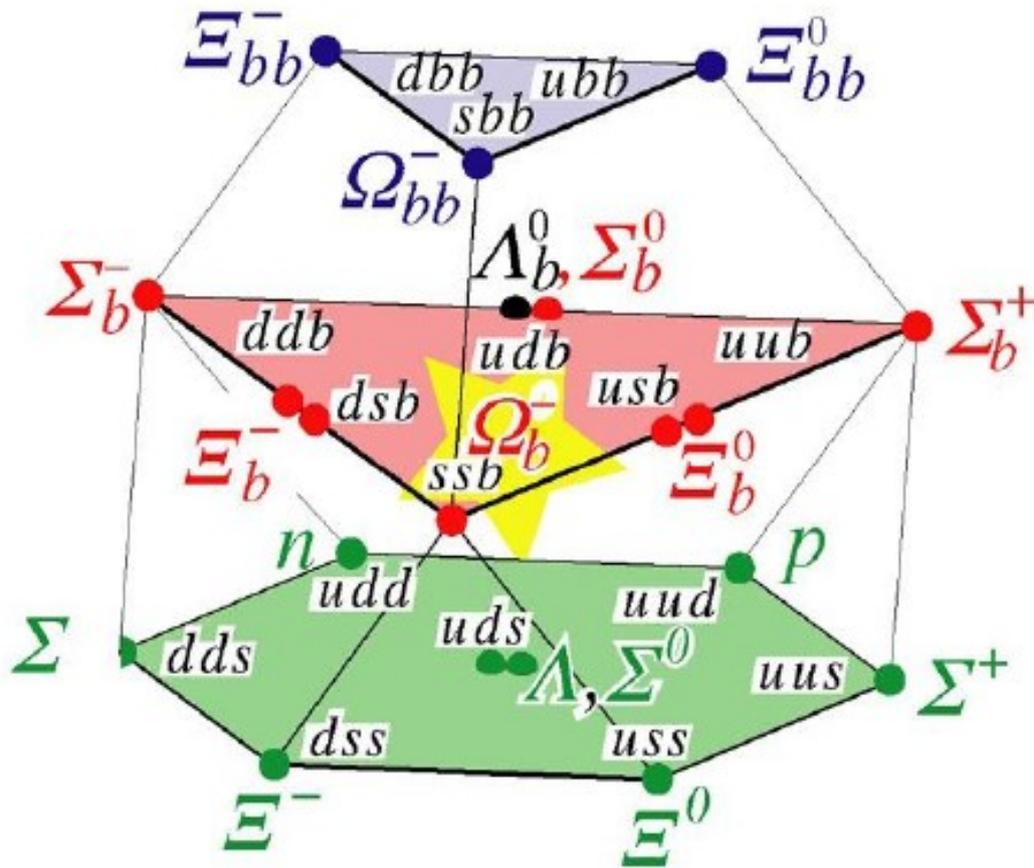
✓ Fits to $Q = M(B_h) - M(B) - M(h)$ are performed



$M_{B_{s1}^0}$	$= (5828.99 \pm 0.08_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.13_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.45_{\text{syst}}^{B \text{ mass}}) \text{ MeV}/c^2,$
$M_{B_{s2}^{*0}}$	$= (5839.67 \pm 0.13_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.17_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.29_{\text{syst}}^{B \text{ mass}}) \text{ MeV}/c^2,$
$M_{B_1^0}$	$= (5724.1 \pm 1.7_{\text{stat}} \pm 2.0_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.5_{\text{syst}}^{B \text{ mass}}) \text{ MeV}/c^2,$
$M_{B_1^+}$	$= (5726.3 \pm 1.9_{\text{stat}} \pm 3.0_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.5_{\text{syst}}^{B \text{ mass}}) \text{ MeV}/c^2,$
$M_{B_2^{*0}}$	$= (5738.6 \pm 1.2_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.2_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.3_{\text{syst}}^{B \text{ mass}}) \text{ MeV}/c^2,$
$M_{B_2^{*+}}$	$= (5739.0 \pm 3.3_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.6_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.3_{\text{syst}}^{B \text{ mass}}) \text{ MeV}/c^2,$



B_1^+ and B_2^{*+} first observation.
Compatible with their isospin partners



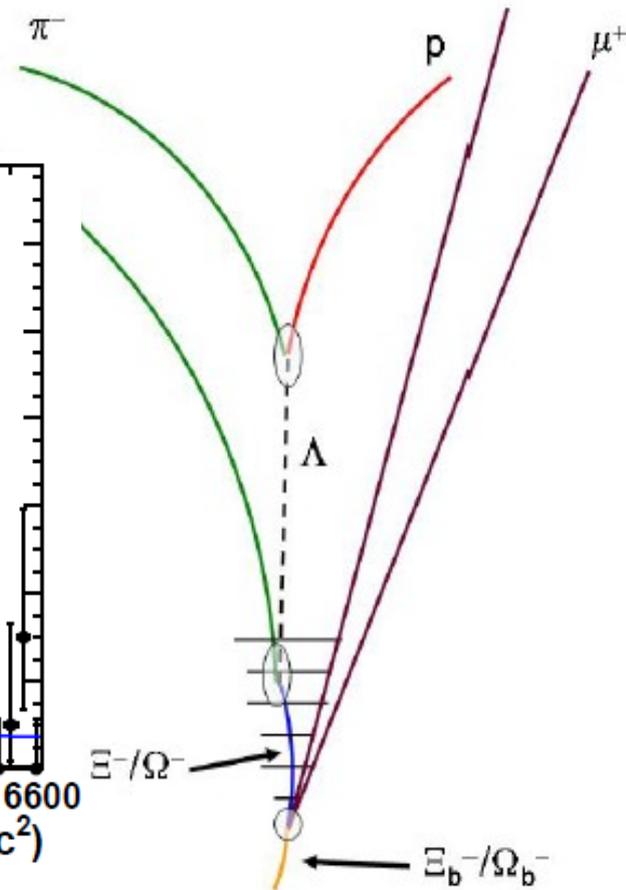
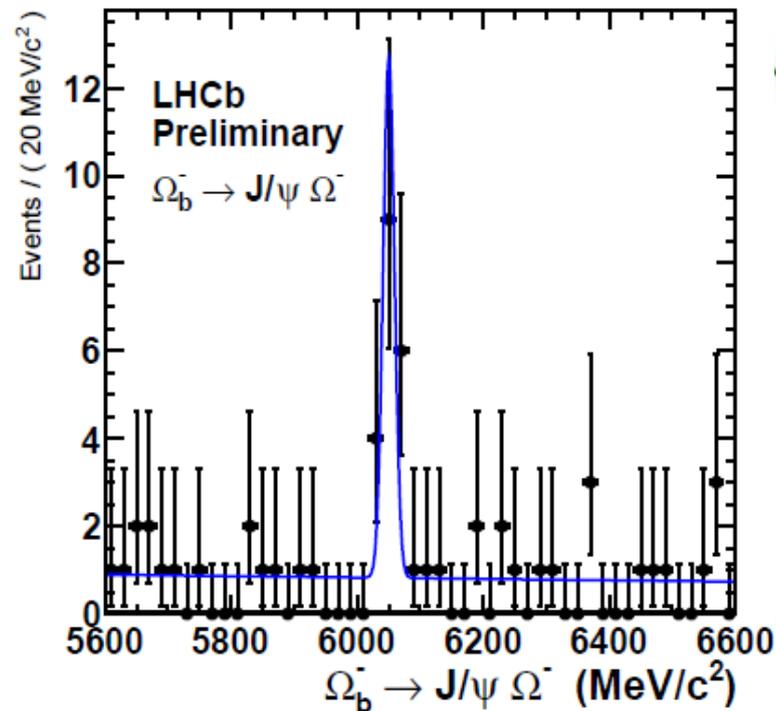
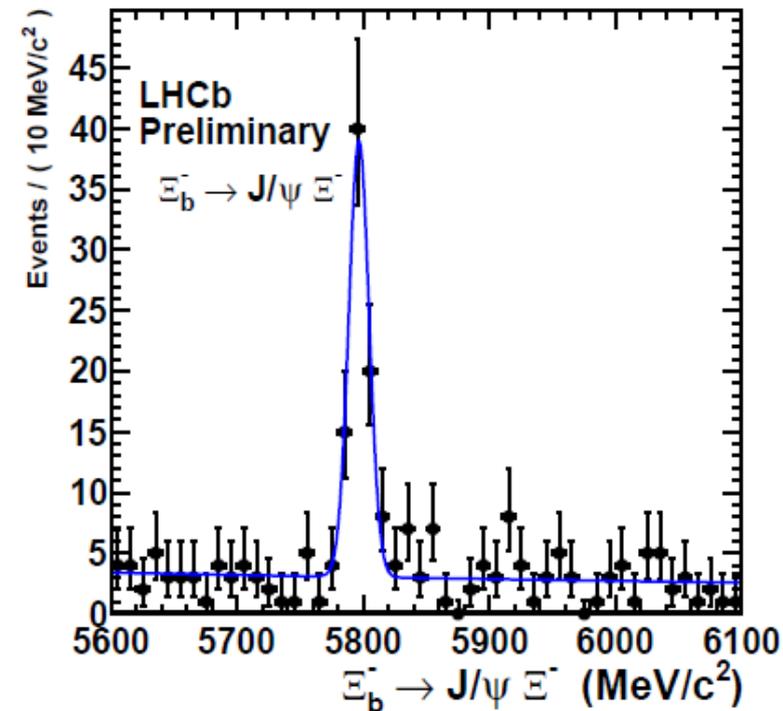
→ System of heavy quark and light diquark. Different QCD models predict different masses, lifetimes, branching ratios, spin-parity, etc... for many c- and b-hadrons

→ Several charmed baryonic states studied at the B-factories

→ b-baryon states are less well studied

→ 16 predicted ground states.

- ✓ Reconstructed modes
 - ✓ $\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu^+\mu^-)\Xi^-(\Lambda(p\pi^-)\pi^-)$
 - ✓ $\Omega_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu^+\mu^-)\Omega^-(\Lambda(p\pi^-)K^-)$
- ✓ Momentum scale calibration using B^+ , B^0 and Λ_b decays
largest systematic effect

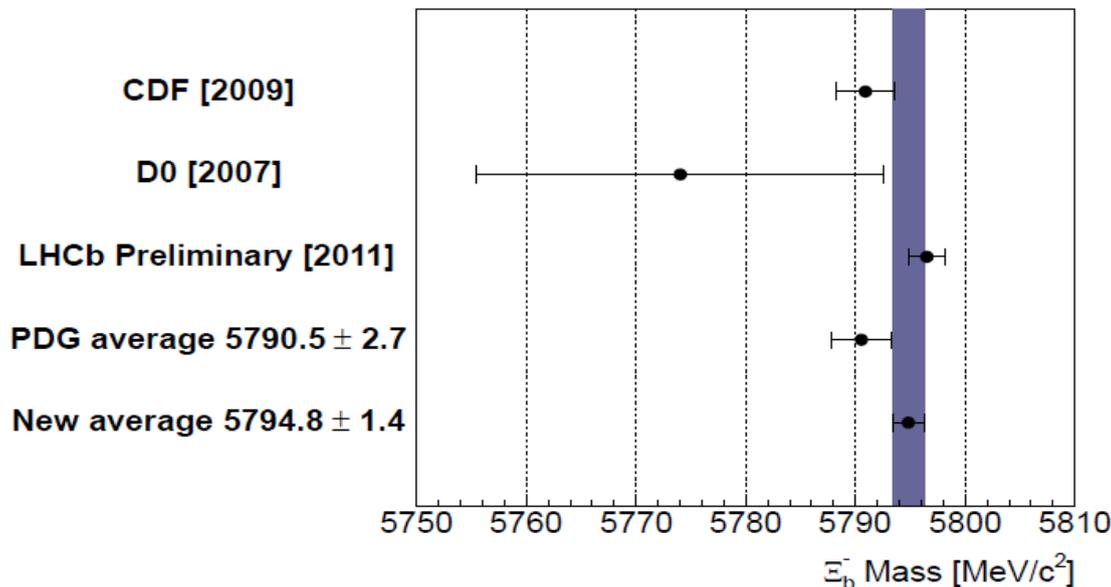


Decay mode	Yield
$\Xi_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Xi^-$	72.2 ± 9.4
$\Omega_b^- \rightarrow J/\psi \Omega^-$	$13.9^{+4.5}_{-3.8}$

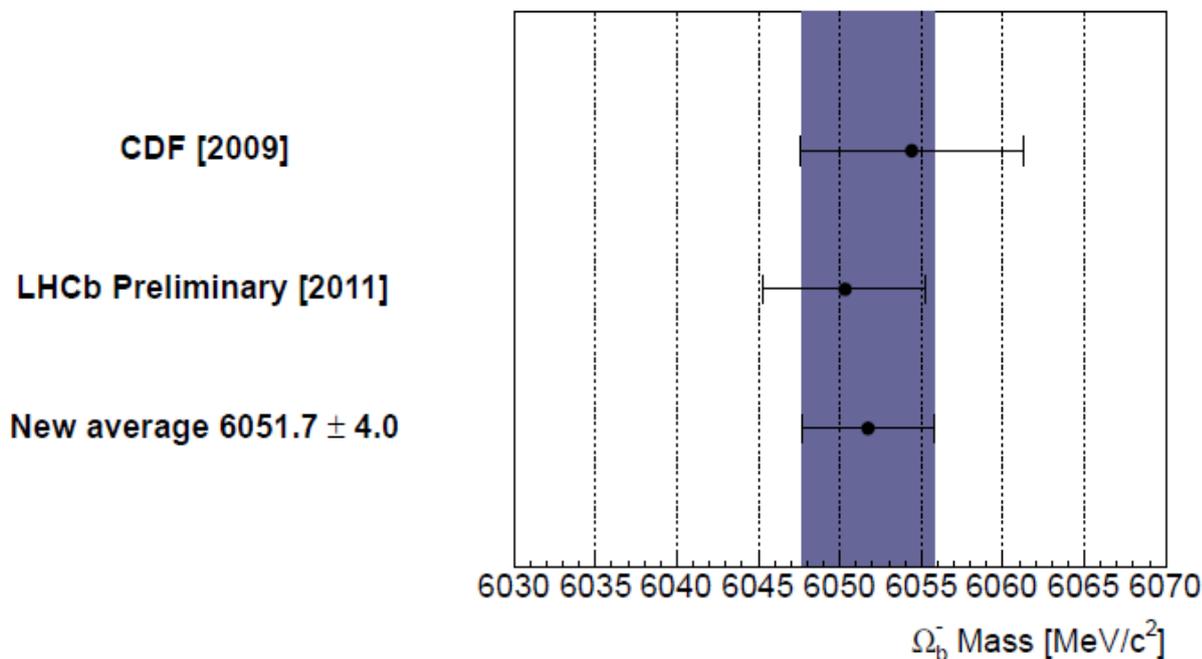
$$\text{Mass } \Xi_b^- : 5796.5 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.2 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

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Best Ξ_b^- mass
measurement
up to date



$$\text{Mass } \Omega_b^- : 6050.3 \pm 4.5 \pm 2.2 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

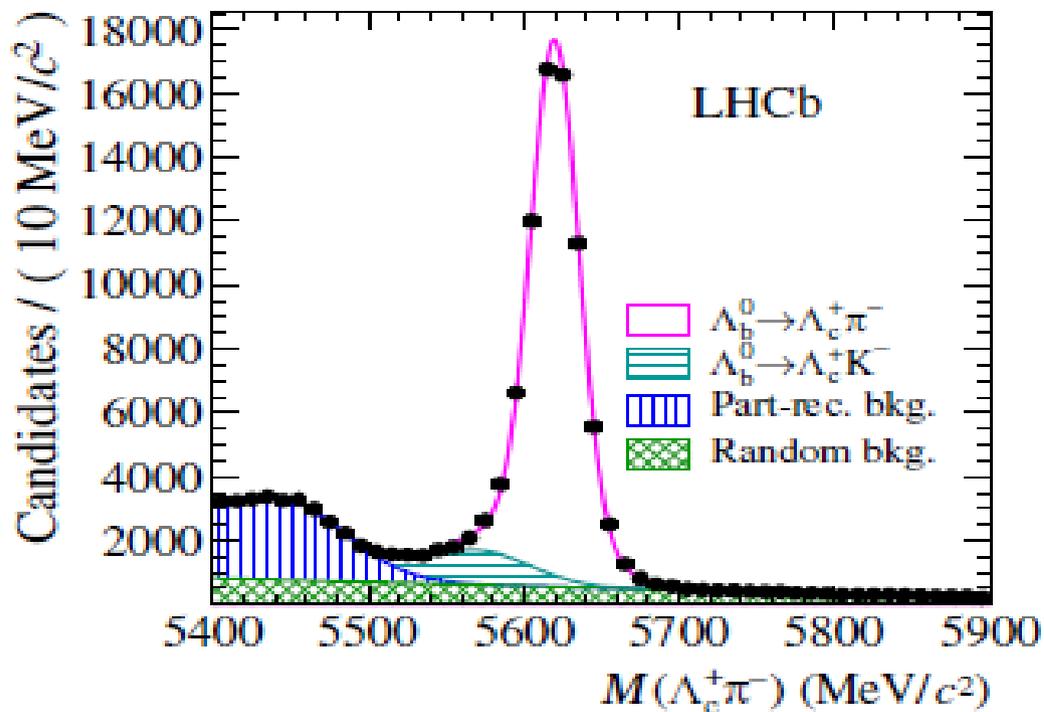


**6.7 σ discrepancy
from CDF+LHCb
with D0 result,
6165 \pm 16**

[D0, PRL101,232002(2008)]
[CDF, PRD80,072003(2009)]

arXiv:1205.3452

1/fb, 2011 data



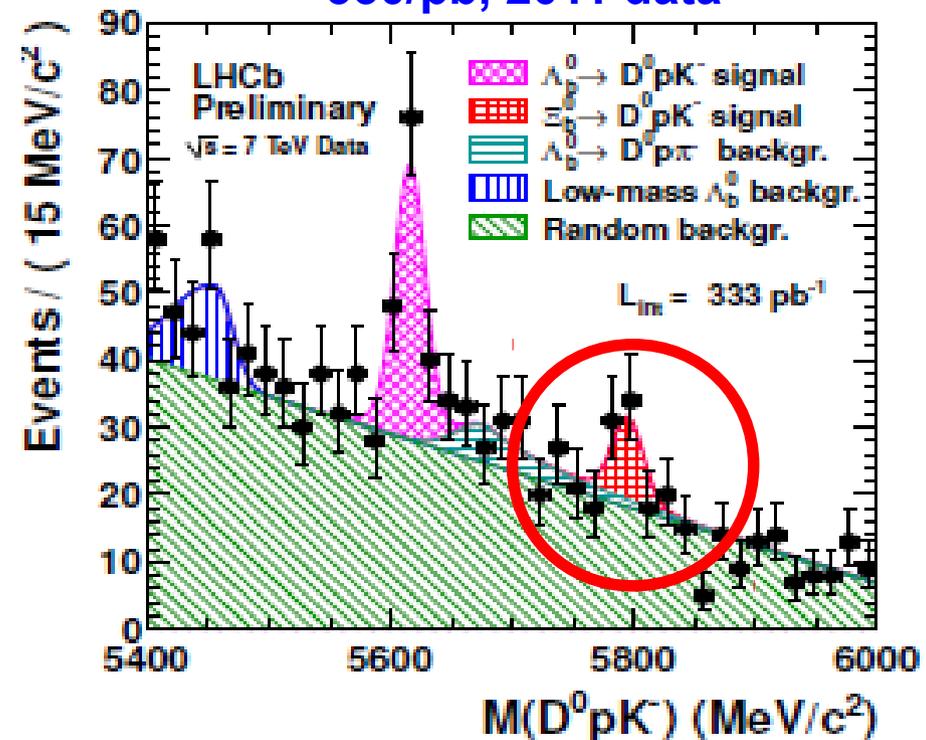
- $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+(pK^-\pi^+)\pi^-$
- 70540 ± 330 signal events
- A large and clean peak of the Λ_b^0 , b-baryon ground state.

Perfect for spectroscopy studies (following slides)

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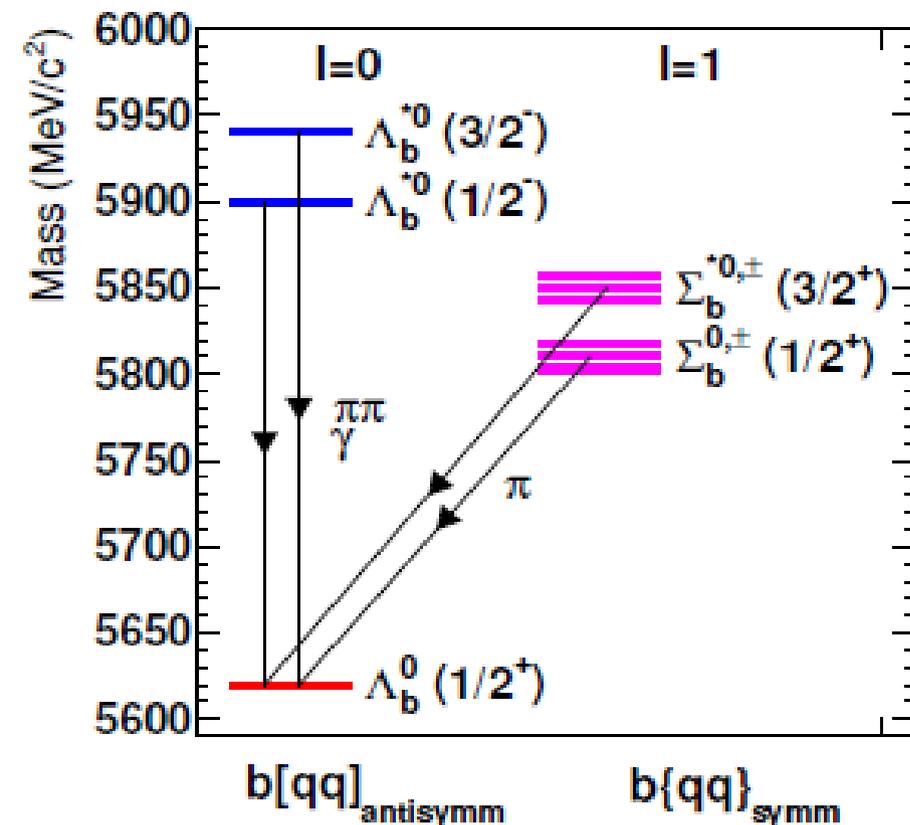
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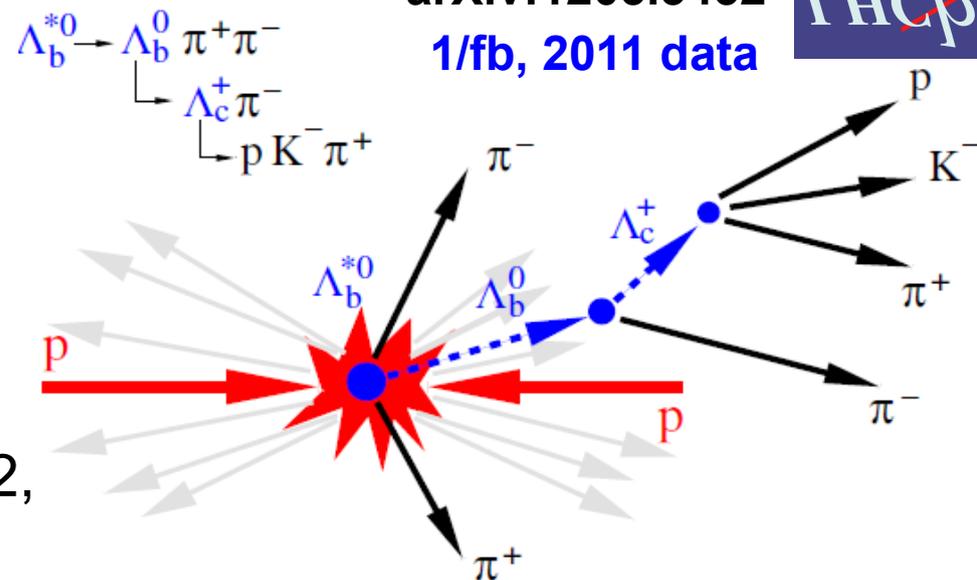
- $\Xi_b^0 \rightarrow D^0 p K^-$
- 27 ± 10 signal events, 2.6σ
- $M(\Xi_b^0) = 5802.0 \pm 5.5 \pm 1.7 \text{ MeV}$
- Consistent with recent CDF measurement

- Excited Λ_b^0 states: $J^P=1/2^-$ and $3/2^-$
- Foreseen decays to $\Lambda_b^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $\Lambda_b^0 \gamma$
- No experimental evidence before LHCb
- Many theoretical predictions



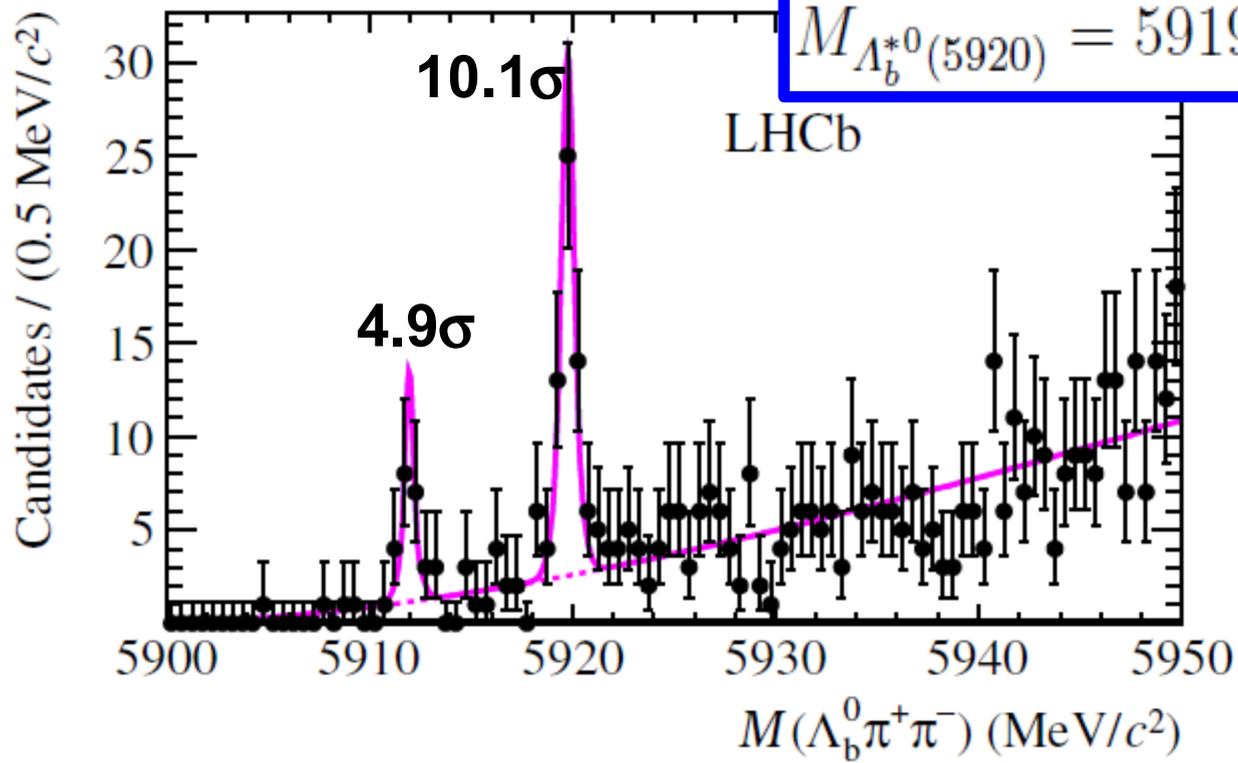
Reference	$M[\Lambda_b^{*0}(1/2^-)]$	$M[\Lambda_b^{*0}(3/2^-)]$
Capstick, Isgur [PRD 34 2809 (1986)]	5912	5920
Baccouche, et al. [hep-ph/0105148]	5920 (spin-averaged)	
Garcilazo, et al. [hep-ph/0703257]	5890	5890
Ebert, et al. [arXiv:0705.2957]	5930	5947
Karliner, et al. [arXiv:0804.1575]	5929 ± 2	5940 ± 2
Roberts, Pervin [arXiv:0711.2492]	5939	5941

- ✓ Prompt $\Lambda_b^{*0} \rightarrow \Lambda_b^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$ reconstruction
- ✓ Vertex and mass constraint to Λ_b^0 and Λ_c
- ✓ States observed slightly above the Λ_b^0 threshold. $Q \sim 12, 20 \text{ MeV}$
 - ✓ Remarkably good mass resolution $\sim 0.2, 0.3 \text{ MeV}$



$$M_{\Lambda_b^{*0}(5912)} = 5911.95 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.66 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

$$M_{\Lambda_b^{*0}(5920)} = 5919.76 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.66 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$



Λ_b^0 mass

$$\Gamma(\Lambda_b^{*0}(5912)) < 0.82 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma(\Lambda_b^{*0}(5920)) < 0.71 \text{ MeV}$$

**First observation of
orbitally excited b
baryons**

Conclusions

- ✓ **We present some of the LHCb results on heavy flavors spectroscopy**
- ✓ **The collaboration is actively working in order to perform new measurements and update previous with the full data sample**
- ✓ **LHCb is in a great position to perform precise and competitive measurements, and ready to explore the nature of the production and the spectra of states, in the heavy flavors sector**