

# Doubly charmed tetraquark at LHCb

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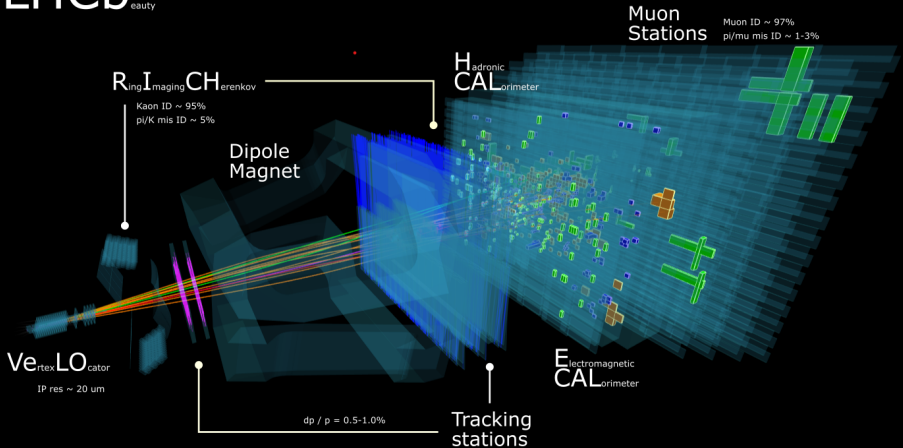
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# LHCb

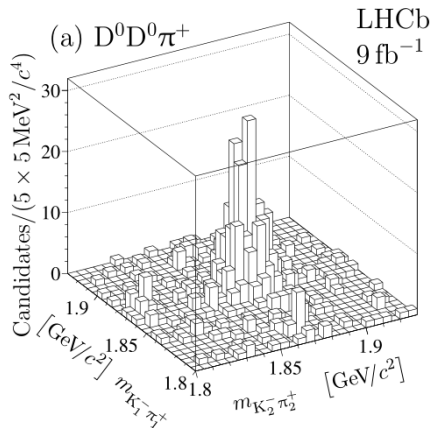
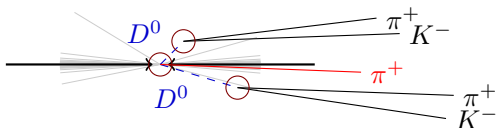


pp collider (7+7 TeV)

# Observation of the $T_{cc}^+$

# The landmark of 2021: a signal in $D^0 D^0 \pi^+$ [LHCb, NP 18 (2022)]

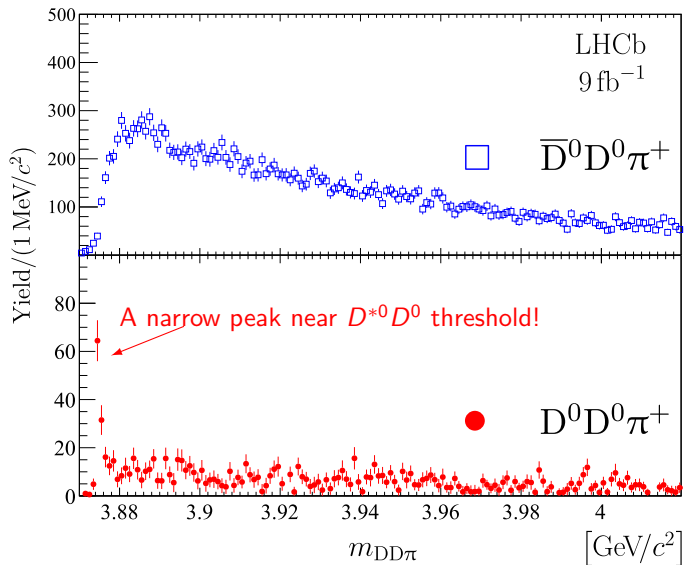
## Event selection



- Select  $D^0 D^0 \pi^+$  candidates from primary vertex with detached  $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$
- Require detached  $K^- \pi^+$  with high  $p_T$
- Require good quality of tracks, vertices, and particle IDs.
- Ensure no  $K/\pi$  candidates belong to one track (clones)
- Ensure no reflections via mis-ID
- Remove fake-D background using 2d fit to  $(m_{K\pi} \times m_{K\pi})$



The first hint of the signal:  $D^0 D^0 \pi^+$  vs  $D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^+$



# Detailed spectrum and significance

[LHCb, NP 18 (2022) 751-754]

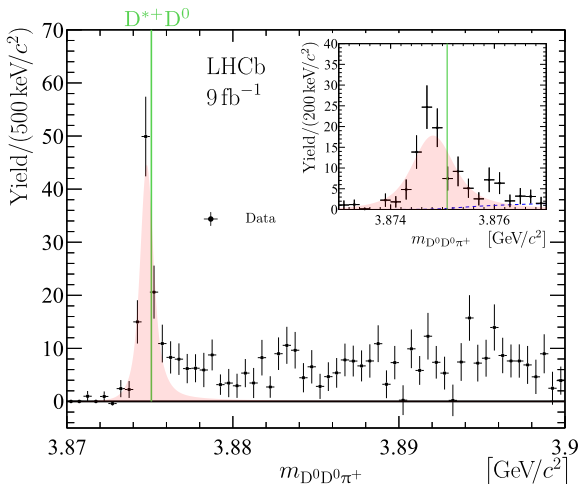
Breit-Wigner model

## Too naive model

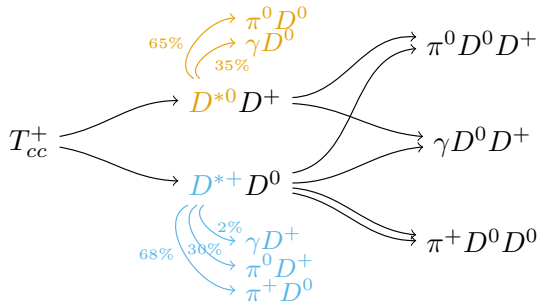
BW signal  $[(DD)_S \pi P\text{-wave}]$   
+ ph.sp. background

- significance  $> 10\sigma$
- peak below  $(4.3\sigma)$

Parameter	Value
$N$	$117 \pm 16$
$\delta m_{\text{BW}}$	$-273 \pm 61 \text{ keV}/c^2$
$\Gamma_{\text{BW}}$	$410 \pm 165 \text{ keV}$



Fundamental properties? Need better model ( $D^*D$  threshold)

$T_{cc}^+$  decay amplitude

## Model assumptions:

- $J^P = 1^+$ :  $S$ -wave decay to  $DD^*$
- $T_{cc}^+$  is an isoscalar:  $|T_{cc}^+\rangle_{I=0} = \{|D^{*0}D^+\rangle - |D^{*+}D^0\rangle\} / \sqrt{2}$
- No isospin violation in couplings to  $D^{*+}D^0$  and  $D^{*0}D^+$



# $T_{cc}^+$ self-energy and hadronic reaction amplitude

Three-body unitarity [MM et al. (JPAC), JHEP 08 (2019) 080]

Dynamic amplitude of  $DD^* \rightarrow DD^*$  scattering:

$$T_{2 \times 2}(s) = \frac{K}{1 - \Sigma K} = \frac{K(m^2 - s)}{m^2 - s - i g^2 (\rho_{\text{tot}}(s) + i \xi(s))}$$

where  $K$  is the isoscalar potential:

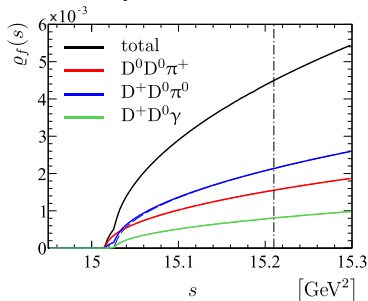
$$K = \frac{1}{m^2 - s} \begin{pmatrix} g \cdot g & -g \cdot g \\ -g \cdot g & g \cdot g \end{pmatrix},$$

and  $\Sigma$  is the loop function:

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma(s) &= [DD^* \rightarrow DD\pi(\gamma) \rightarrow DD^*] \\ &= \left[ \text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 2} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho(s) = \text{Im} \left[ \begin{pmatrix} g \\ -g \end{pmatrix}^\dagger \Sigma(s) \begin{pmatrix} g \\ -g \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

$D^*$  decays are accounted for.



The construction is guided by Unitarity and Analyticity.

**Model parameters:  $|g|^2$  and  $m^2$  – bare mass and coupling**

# Fit to the spectrum

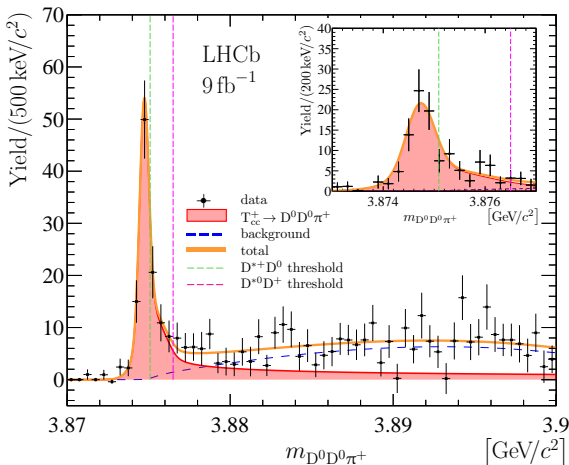
## Unitarized model

- The signal shape does not depend on  $|g|$  for  $|g| \rightarrow \infty$ .
- The lower limit:  $|g| > 7.7(6.2) \text{ GeV}$  at 90(95)% CL
- $\delta m_U$  is the only shape parameter

Parameter	Value
$N$	$186 \pm 24$
$\delta m_U$	$-359 \pm 40 \text{ keV}/c^2$
$ g $	$3 \times 10^4 \text{ GeV (fixed)}$

$\delta m_U$  with respect to  $D^{*+}D^0$

[LHCb, NC 13 (2022) 3351]



Excellent agreement with the data. Reaction amplitude is fully fixed.

# Predicted mass spectrum

[LHCb, NC 13 (2022) 3351]

The resolution removed

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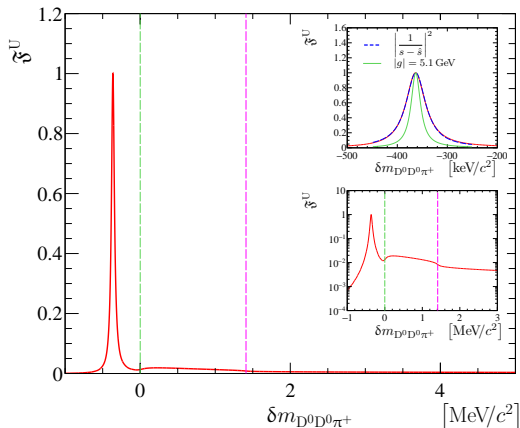
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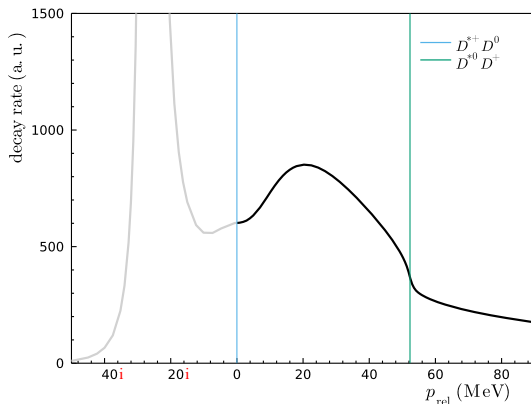
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# Fundamental resonance parameters

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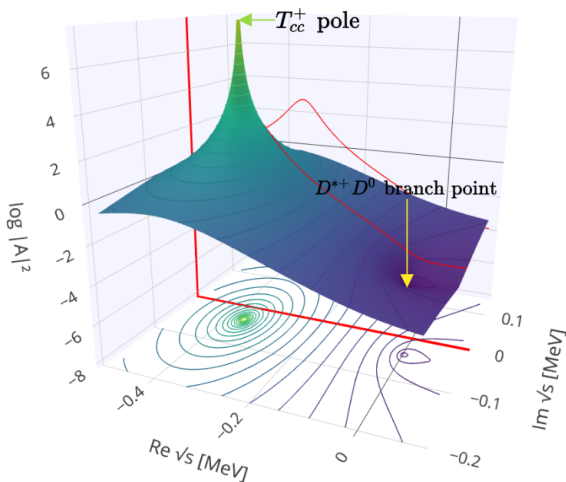
Mass and width – position of the complex pole of the reaction amplitude

- Analytic continuation is non-trivial due to three-body decays [MM et al. (JPAC), PRD 98 (2018) 096021]

The pole parameters:

$$\delta m_{\text{pole}} = -360 \pm 40_{-0}^{+4} \text{ keV},$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{pole}} = 48 \pm 2_{-14}^{+0} \text{ keV}.$$

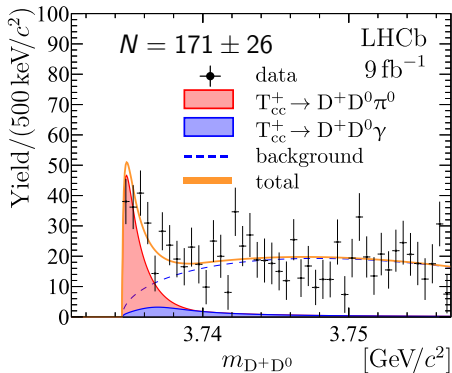
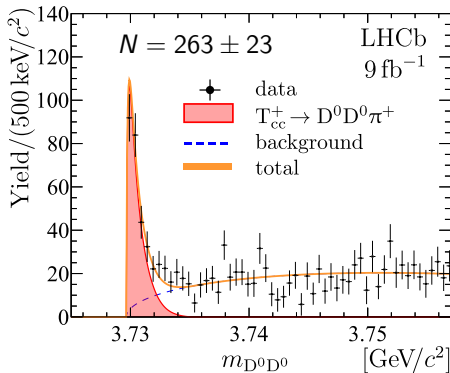




# Partially-reconstructed decays

[LHCb, NC 13 (2022) 3351]

Independent selection of the prompt  $D^0D^0$  and  $D^+D^0$  events.



- Lineshape of  $D^0D^0$  and  $D^+D^0$  spectra are predicted well by the model
- Relative yields of  $D^0D^0$  and  $D^+D^0$  is in good agreement with the model predictions

# Isospin partners?

[LHCb, NC 13 (2022) 3351]

What if the  $T_{cc}^+$  is a part of the isospin-1 triplet

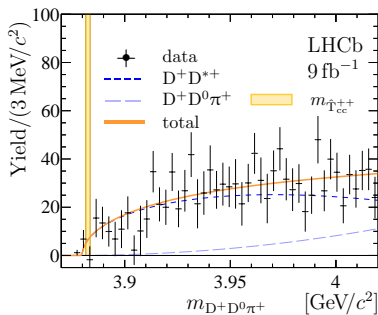
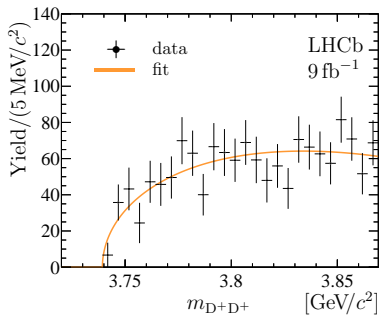
$$T_{cc}^0 : \quad cc\bar{d}\bar{d}$$

$$T_{cc}^+ : \quad cc\bar{u}\bar{d}$$

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The partners should be roughly of the same mass, more precise

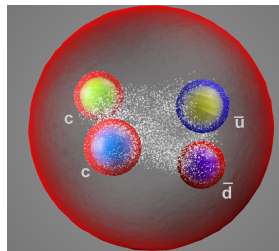
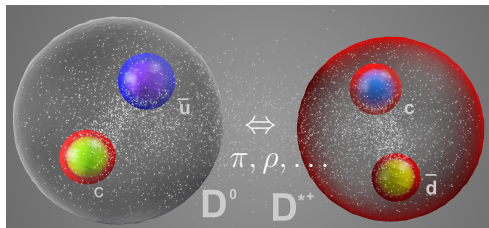
$$m_{T_{cc}^{++}} - (m_{D^+} + m_{D^{*+}}) = 2.7 \pm 1.3 \text{ MeV (using mass of } \Sigma_c^0, \Sigma_c^+, \Sigma_c^{++})$$



No indication of  $I = 1$  family.

# Interpretation

# $T_{cc}^+$ : Two extreme spatial configurations



## Molecular configuration:

- two mesons are well separated,
- bound by forces similarly to el.mag. van der Waals,
- entirely coupled to  $D^{*+}D^0$ ,
- lifetime is limited by  $D^{*+}$ ,
- ? spatially-extended object.

## Compact configuration:

- genuine QCD state,
- compact (cc) core,
- there is no limit on lifetime, depends on how much it couples to continuum,
- ? typical hadronic size of 1 fm.

# Effective range and Weinberg compositeness

Non-relativistic expansion near the threshold:

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{NR}}^{-1} = \frac{1}{a} + r \frac{k^2}{2} + O(k^4) - ik$$

## Scattering length, $a$

- a characteristic size of the state
- $a > 0$ : moderate interaction
- $a < 0$ : strong attraction forming a bound state

## Effective range, $r$

- is the second order correction
- ! always positive in potential scattering

[Landau-Smorodinsky(1944), Esposito(2021)]

$$\text{Weinberg compositeness: } X \equiv 1 - Z = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1 + 2r/a}}$$

$X = 1$  : composite (molecule)       $X = 0$  elementary

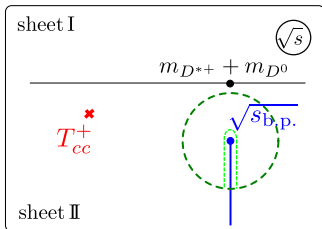
According to the Weinberg's compositeness,

- Any state coupled to continuum (i.e. can decay) has a molecule component
- Non-zero effective range is an indication of the compact component

# Scattering parameters for the $D^{*+}D^0$ system [MM, 2203.04622]

$$\mathcal{A}_{D^{*+}D^0 \rightarrow D^{*+}D^0}^{-1} = N \left( \frac{1}{a} + r \frac{k_{D^{*+}D^0}^2}{2} + O(k_{D^{*+}D^0}^4) - ik_{D^{*+}D^0} \right)$$

Finite width of  $D^*$  shifts the **expansion point** to the complex plane to match the analytic structure.



For the nominal model:

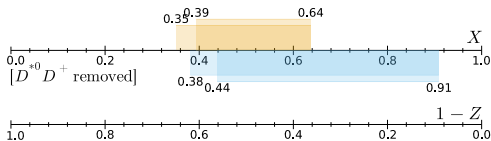
- Large scattering length,  $\sim 6$  fm,

$$1/a = (-33 \pm 2) + (2 \pm 0.1)i \text{ MeV},$$

- Negative CL for effective range:

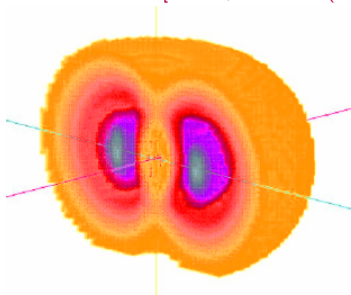
$$-16.2(-21.2) < \text{Re } r < -4.3 \text{ at } 90(95)\% \text{ CL}.$$

- Large compositeness



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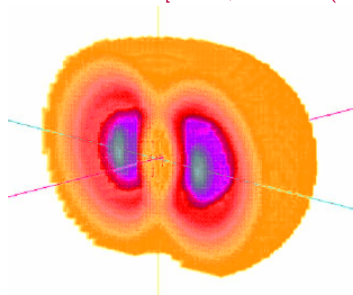
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- Could well be “compact”
- $0.44 \leq X \leq 0.91$  at 90% CL
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- $a = -5.54 \text{ fm}$
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- **Experimentally**: the fit pushes the width to higher values.
  - ▶ Low limit in the default model,  $\Gamma_{T_{cc}^+} > 20$  keV at 95% CL.
  - ▶ BW model: the fit with the free-parameter width gives  $410 \pm 165$  keV.

# A plausible model

Warning: my personal choice among many competing interpretations

# Non-relativistic quark model. $T_{cc}^+$ wave function

- Solve Heisenberg equation. Interaction between **every pair** of quarks

$$H = \sum_i (m_i + \frac{p^2}{2m_i}) - \frac{3}{16} \sum_{i < j} v_{ij}(r_{ij}), \text{ with } r_{ij} = |\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j|$$

- Different **variants** for potential are used (“Bhaduri” and “Grenoble”)

$$v_{ij}^{(\text{Bhaduri})}(r_{ij}) = \overbrace{\tilde{\lambda}_i^C \tilde{\lambda}_j^C}^{\text{color}} \left[ \Lambda - \underbrace{\frac{\kappa}{r}}_{\text{Coulomb}} + \underbrace{\lambda r}_{\text{confinement}} + \underbrace{\frac{\kappa}{m_i m_j} \frac{\exp(-r/r_0)}{r r_0^2}}_{\text{spin-spin interaction}} \sigma_i \sigma_j \right],$$

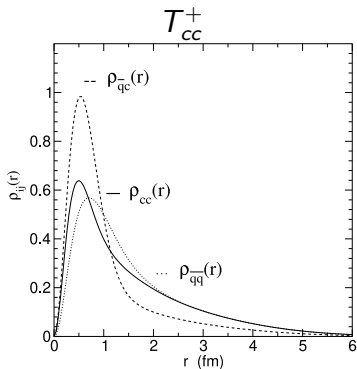
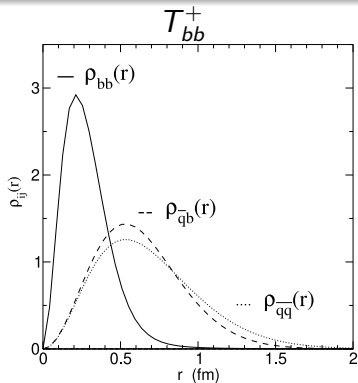
with parameters adjusted by fit to conv. states.

- $T_{bb}^+$  is bound well below the lowest threshold. Stable ( $bb$ ) in triplet,  $J_{(bb)} = 1$ .
- $T_{cc}^+$  is near the threshold: ( $cc$ ) in (sixt.),  $J_{(cc)} = 0, 1$ .
  - $\delta m \in \{-1, 0, 11, 13\}$  MeV [Semay, Silvestre-Brac (1993)]
  - $\delta m \in \{-2.7, -0.6\}$  MeV [Janc, Rosina (2004)]

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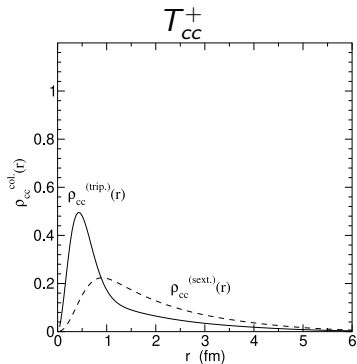
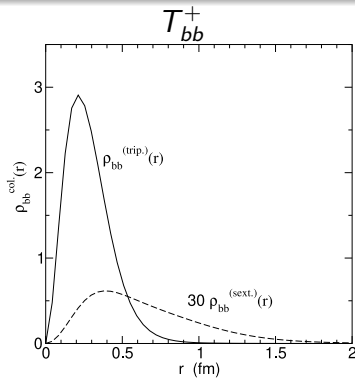
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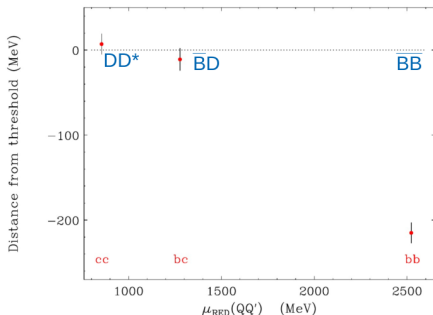
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# Do other hadrons of the $(QQ'qq')$ family exist?

- Exists? Now, we are sure they do, all of them.
- Can be observed? Certainly some. Some might be too broad.

- $T_{bb}^+(bb\bar{u}\bar{d})$  are likely **stable** with respect to QCD
- $T_{cb}^+(cb\bar{u}\bar{d})$  is either stable or almost
- ? Radial and orbital excitations of isoscalar  $T_{QQ}^*$
- ? Isvector  $T_{QQ}$  and its family

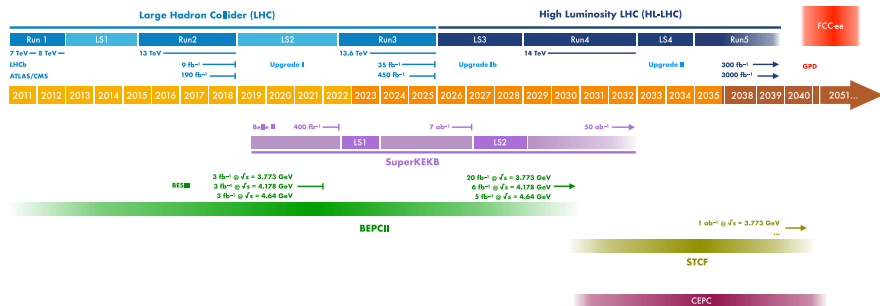


[Karliner, Rosner (2017)]



# Updated timeline for LHC

[W. Altmannshofer, F. Archilli, arXiv:2206.11331]



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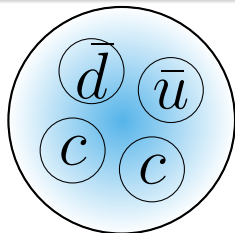
- ramping up after major Upgrade I
- $\times 5$  statistics in Run 3(2023-2025) @13.6 TeV + Run 4(2029-2032) @14 TeV

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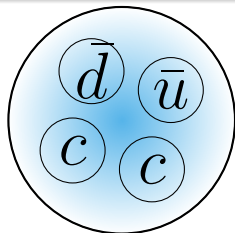
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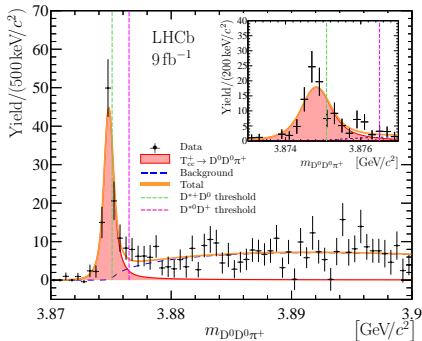
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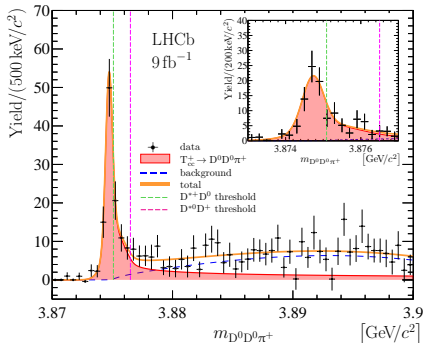
# Two models

Naive model is of similar quality but yields incorrect parameters

Naive model ( $\Gamma_{\text{BW}} = 410 \pm 165 \text{ MeV}$ )



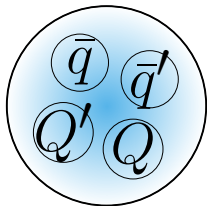
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The reason: background and resolution. Confirmed by MC studies.

# Predictions of $T_{QQ'}$

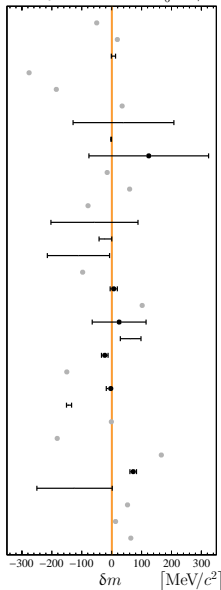
Anticipated open-flavor exotic hadron



- Ground state:  $(QQ'\bar{u}\bar{d})$ ,  $J^P = 1^+$ , isospin 0
- Exists?
  - ▶  $T_{bb}^-$ : most theorists believe that it exists.
  - ▶  $T_{cc}^+$ : there was no consensus

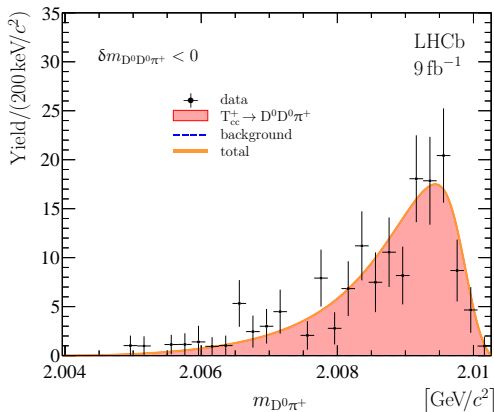
## Mass of $T_{cc}^+$

$$\delta m_U = -359 \pm 40^{+9}_{-6} \text{ keV}/c^2$$



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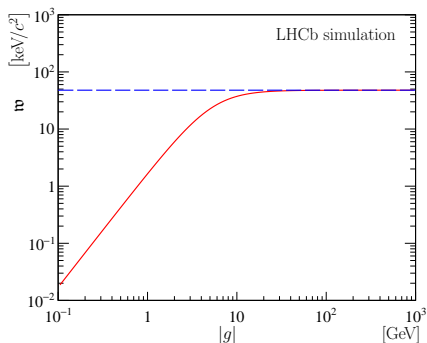
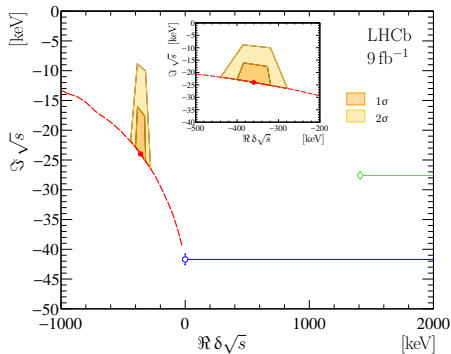
# Does $T_{cc}^+$ decay via off-shell $D^*$ ?



- Peak at high mass requires  $D^*$  propagator
- $P$ -wave behavior on the left limit
- $S$ -wave behavior on the right limit

# Width saturation

## Complex plane



- The  $D^*$  width gives the limit to  $T_{cc}^+$  width,  $< \Gamma_{T_{cc}^+}^{(\max)}$
- Parameter  $|g|$  sets the value in the range  $[0, \Gamma_{T_{cc}^+}^{(\max)}]$
- The fit prefers the limit value