

# HADRON 2021: ATLAS Results on Exotic Heavy Hadrons

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## Content:

- Tetraquarks in ATLAS Run I data:
  - Searches for the X(5568) state, [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 120, 202007](#)].
- Pentaquarks in ATLAS Run I data:
  - Searching for hidden charm in  $\Lambda_b$  decays, [[ATLAS-CONF-2019-048](#)].
- Perspective for extracting for  $Z_c(4200)$  during Run 2.

# Heavy Flavour Physics with ATLAS

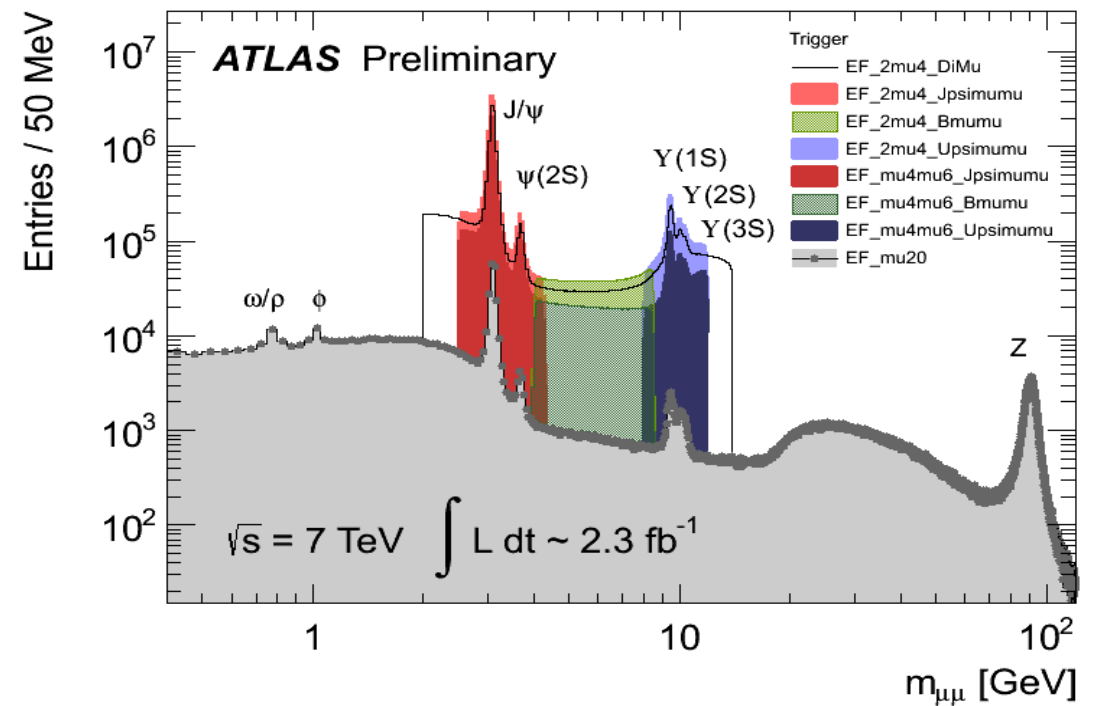
Mostly based on di-muon triggers:

- 4 or 6 GeV muon  $p_T$  threshold.
- Vertexing + di-muon mass cuts.

No  $\pi/K/p$  separation.

Run 2 upgrades included:

- IBL pixel detector.
- Trigger upgrades.



# Searches for the $X(5568)^\pm$ State - 1

D0 evidence of a 4-quark  $X(5568)$ :

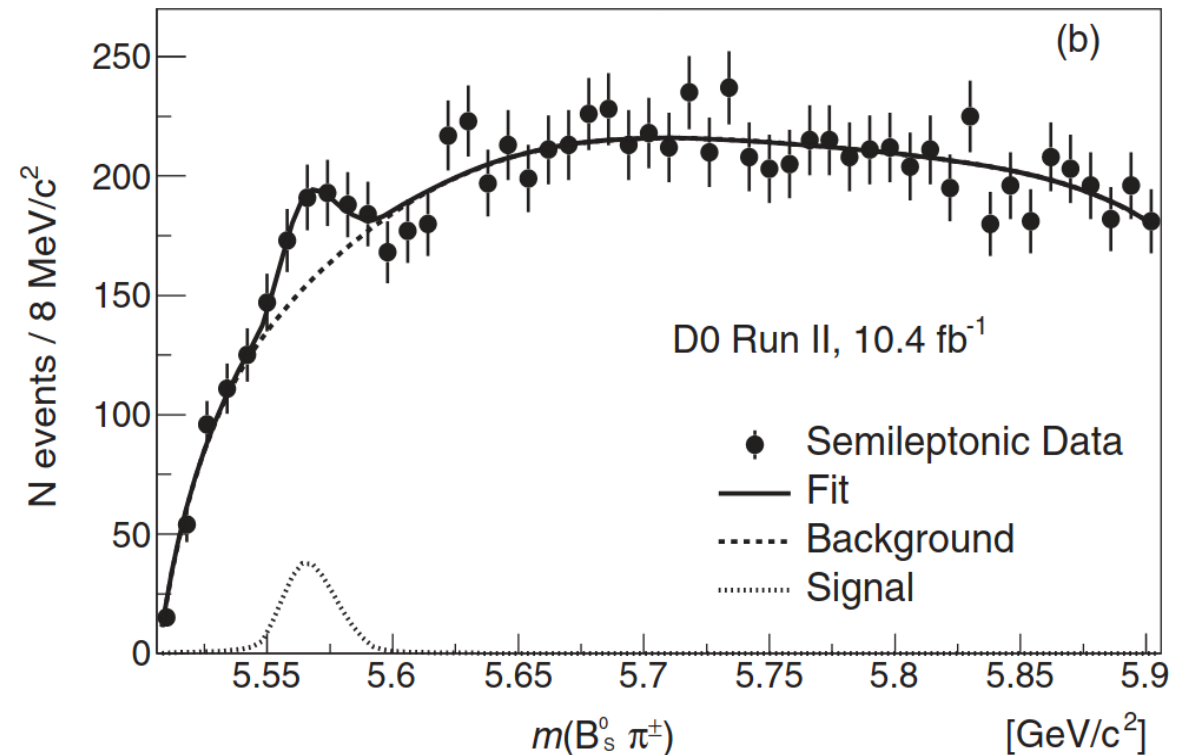
- $X(5568)^\pm \rightarrow B_s \pi^\pm$ .
  - [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 117, 022003](#)]
  - [[Phys. Rev. D 97, 092004](#)]

Not observed at:

- CDF, [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 120, 202006](#)].
- LHCb, [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 117, 152003](#)].
- CMS, [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 120, 202005](#)].

ATLAS search performed in Run 1 data.

- $\sqrt{s}=7$  TeV ( $4.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ),  $\sqrt{s}=8$  TeV ( $19.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ).



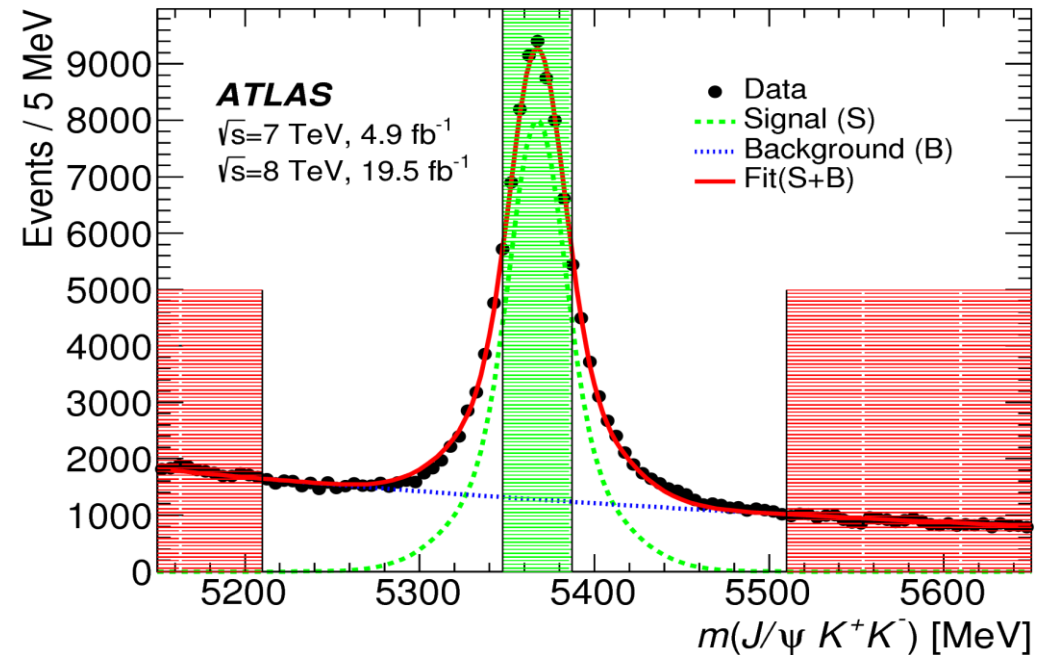
# Searches for the $X(5568)^\pm$ State - 2

## The ATLAS search:

- $B_s$  candidates:
  - $p_T(\mu) > 4$  GeV,  $p_T(K) > 1$  GeV.
  - Di-muon, di-kaon, and 4-track mass cuts.
  - Di-muon and 4-track vertex cuts.
  - $\tau(B_s) > 0.2$  ps.
- $B_s\pi$  reconstruction:
  - $p_T(\pi) > 500$  MeV + PV cut.
  - $5346.6 < m(B_s) < 5386.6$  GeV.

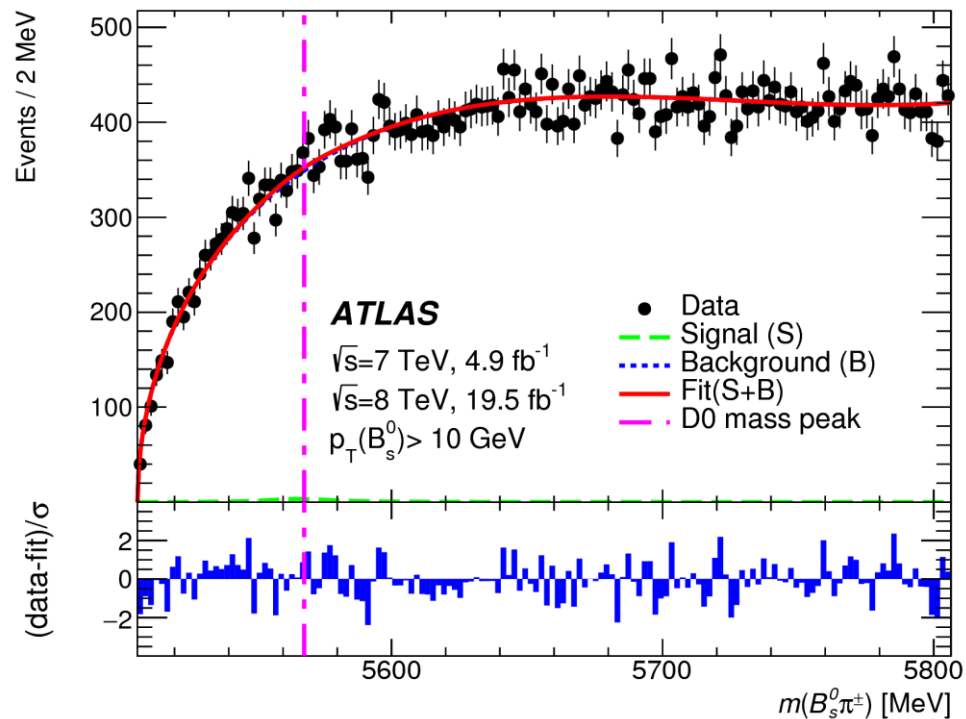
## Set limits on:

- $n_X$ , signal event count.
- $\rho_X$ ,  $B_s$  fraction from  $X(5568)$ .

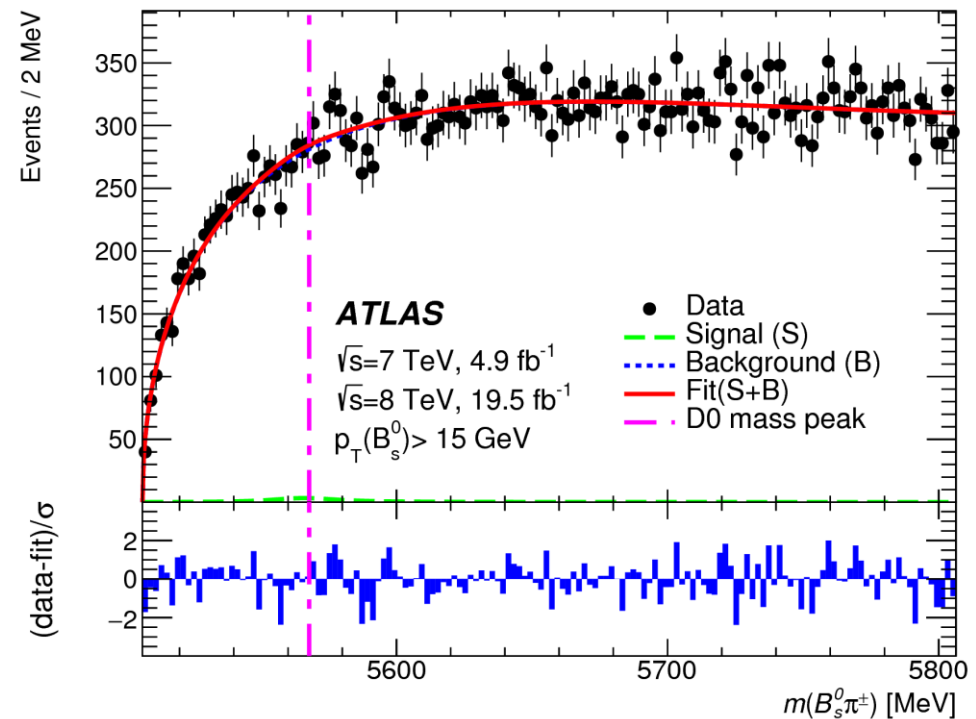


# Searches for the $X(5568)^\pm$ State - 3

$p_T(B_s) > 10$  GeV



$p_T(B_s) > 15$  GeV



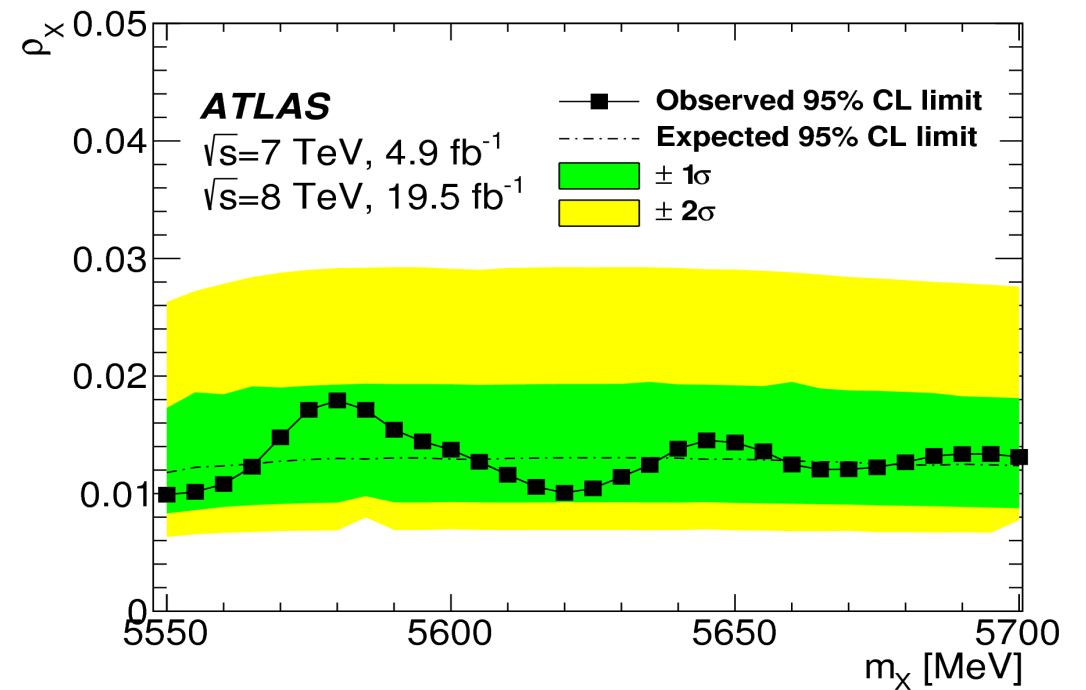
# Searches for the $X(5568)^\pm$ State - 4

## The ATLAS results:

- $n_X$ :
  - $n_X = 60 \pm 140$ , with  $p_T(B_s) > 10$  GeV.
  - $n_X = 30 \pm 150$ , with  $p_T(B_s) > 15$  GeV.
  - No evidence of signal events.
- $\rho_X$  @ 95% CL:
  - $\rho_X < 1.5\%$ , with  $p_T(B_s) > 10$  GeV.
  - $\rho_X < 1.6\%$ , with  $p_T(B_s) > 15$  GeV.
  - Limits compatible with LHCb & CMS.

## Alternate candidate masses?

- No evidence in CLs scan.



# Pentaquarks in the $J/\psi$ p $K^-$ State - 1

Overview of LHCb results:

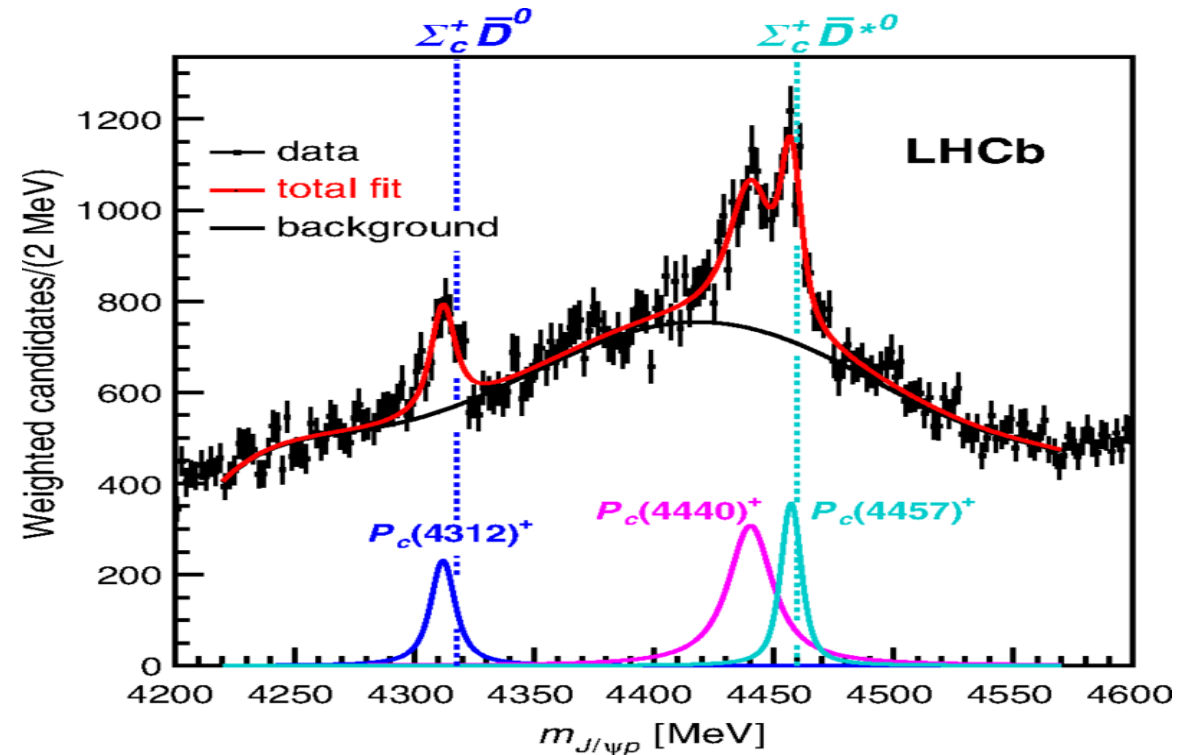
- 2 pentaquark in  $\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi$  p  $K^-$ .
  - [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 115, 072001](#)]
- Later seen in  $\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi$  p  $\pi^-$ .
  - [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 117, 082003](#)]
- 2 additional states seen in Run 2.
  - [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 222001](#)]

Not observed by GLUEX:

- See [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 123, 072001](#)].
- Limits set on model independent production.

D0 observe a  $3\sigma$  evidence in  $J/\psi$  p events:

- See [[arXiv:1910.11767](#)].





# Pentaquarks in the $J/\psi$ $p$ $K^-$ State - 2

No hadronic identification in ATLAS.

- Lots of states to consider!

$J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ :

- $pT(\mu) > 4$  GeV,  $|\eta(\mu)| < 2.3$ .
- $|m(J/\psi_{PDG}) - m(\mu^+ \mu^-)| < 290$  MeV.

B-hadron reconstruction:

- $|\eta(h_x)| < 2.5$ .
- 4-track vertex cuts on  $(\mu^+, \mu^-, h_1, h_2)$ .
- $pT(H_b) > 12$  GeV,  $|\eta(H_b)| < 2.1$ .
- $m(H_b)$  cuts dependent on mass of  $h_x$ .
- $L_{xy}$  decay length and helicity cuts.

Region Definition	Mass Range (GeV)
$\Lambda_b$ Signal Region	$5.59 < m(J/\psi p K^-) < 5.65$
$B_d$ Control Region	$5.25 < m(J/\psi K^+ \pi^-) < 5.31$
$B_s$ Control Region	$5.337 < m(J/\psi K^+ K^-) < 5.397$
Background Shape	$5.35 < m(J/\psi p K^-) < 5.45$

# Pentaquarks in the $J/\psi$ p $K^-$ State - 3

Fits of:

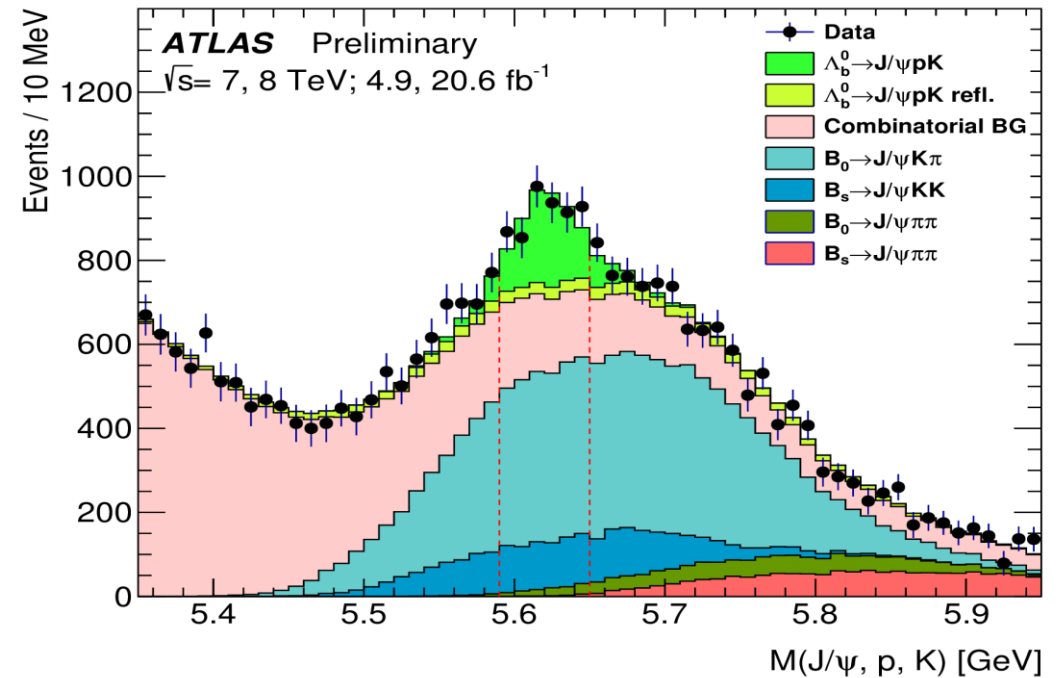
- $\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi \Lambda^*$  or  $P_c^+ K^- \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$ .
- $B_d \rightarrow J/\psi K^*$  or  $Z_c^- K^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ \pi^-$ .
- $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi f$  or  $J/\psi \phi \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ K^-$ .

Background suppression via:

- Same-sign subtraction.
- $m(\pi K)$  and  $m(K \pi) > 1.55$  GeV.

B-hadron reconstruction:

- $m(J/\psi p K)$ .
- $m(J/\psi \pi K)$ .
- $m(J/\psi K^+ K^-)$ .
- $m(J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-)$ .
- $m(J/\psi h_x)$  &  $m(h_1 h_2)$  in a  $B_d$  CR.
- $m(J/\psi h_x)$  &  $m(h_1 h_2)$  in a  $B_s$  CR.



# Pentaquarks in the $J/\psi$ p $K^-$ State - 4

Fitted yields:

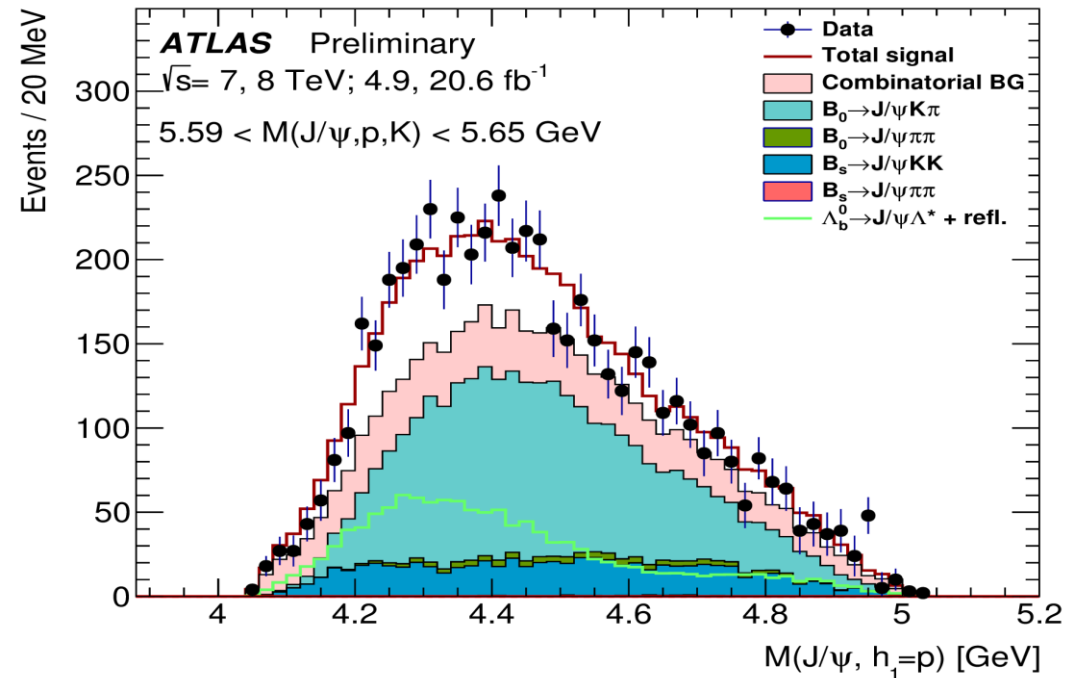
- $\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi$  p  $K^- = 2270 \pm 300$ .
- $B_d \rightarrow J/\psi$   $K^+$   $\pi^- \sim 10770$ .
- $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi$   $K^+$   $K^- \sim 2290$ .
- $B_d \rightarrow J/\psi$   $\pi^+$   $\pi^- \sim 1070$ .
- $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi$   $\pi^+$   $K^- \sim 1390$ .

$P_c$  signal regions fits:

- $\Lambda_{b(\text{Right})} \rightarrow J/\psi$  p  $K^- = 1010 \pm 140$ .
- $\Lambda_{b(\text{Wrong})} \rightarrow J/\psi$  p  $K^- = 160 \pm 20$ .

No  $P_c$ -state hypothesis:

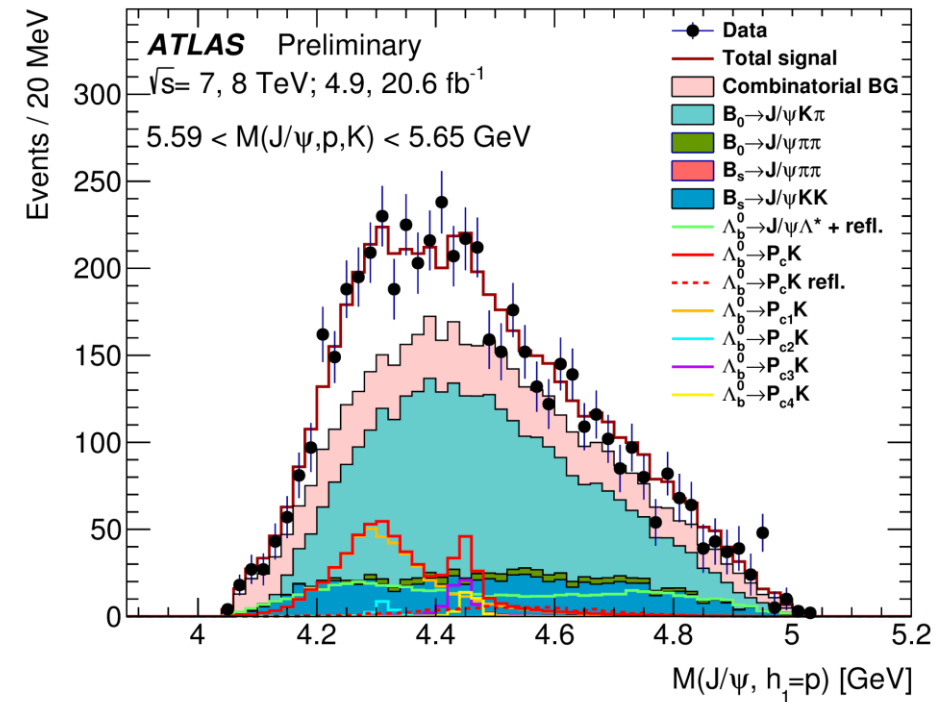
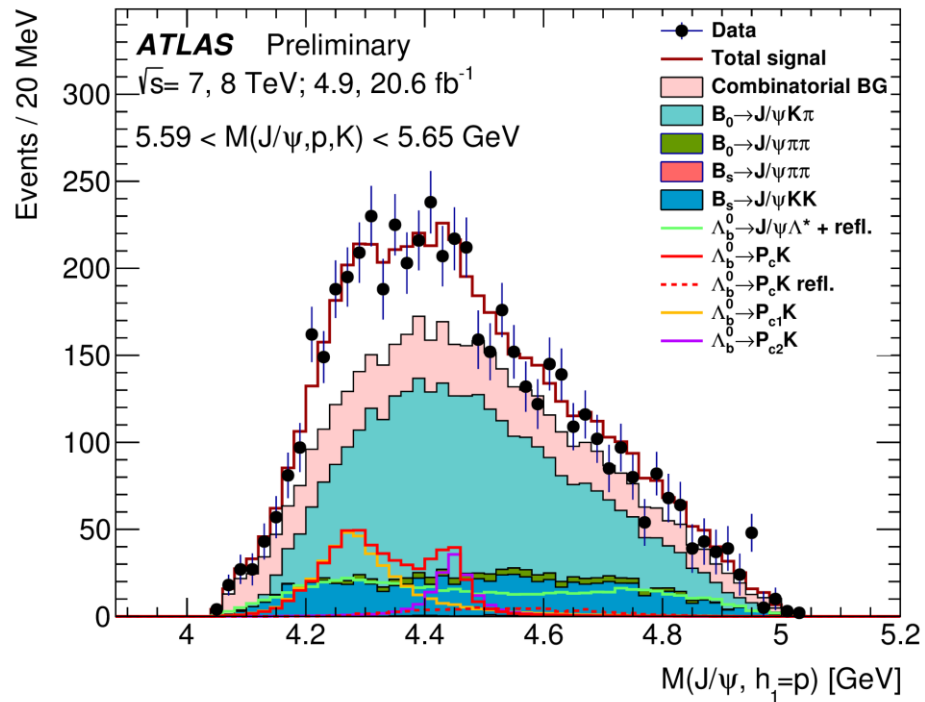
- P-value =  $9.1 * 10^{-3}$ .



# Pentaquarks in the $J/\psi p K^-$ State - 5

2  $P_c$ -state hypothesis: P-value = 55.7%.

4  $P_c$ -state hypothesis: P-value = 68.6%.



# Pentaquarks in the $J/\psi p K^-$ State - 6

Good agreement with LHCb.

- Some tension in  $P_{c1}$  properties.

Alternative fit:

- 2  $P_c$ -states - fixed to LHCb values.
- P-value = 24.5%

Parameter	Value	LHCb value [5]
$N(P_{c1})$	$400_{-140}^{+130}(\text{stat})_{-100}^{+110}(\text{syst})$	–
$N(P_{c2})$	$150_{-100}^{+170}(\text{stat})_{-90}^{+50}(\text{syst})$	–
$N(P_{c1} + P_{c2})$	$540_{-70}^{+80}(\text{stat})_{-80}^{+70}(\text{syst})$	–
$\Delta\phi$	$2.8_{-1.6}^{+1.0}(\text{stat})_{-0.1}^{+0.2}(\text{syst})$ rad	–
$m(P_{c1})$	$4282_{-26}^{+33}(\text{stat})_{-7}^{+28}(\text{syst})$ MeV	$4380 \pm 8 \pm 29$ MeV
$\Gamma(P_{c1})$	$140_{-50}^{+77}(\text{stat})_{-33}^{+41}(\text{syst})$ MeV	$205 \pm 18 \pm 86$ MeV
$m(P_{c2})$	$4449_{-29}^{+20}(\text{stat})_{-10}^{+18}(\text{syst})$ MeV	$4449.8 \pm 1.7 \pm 2.5$ MeV
$\Gamma(P_{c2})$	$51_{-48}^{+59}(\text{stat})_{-46}^{+14}(\text{syst})$ MeV	$39 \pm 5 \pm 19$ MeV

# Run 2 Searches for the $Z_c(4200)$

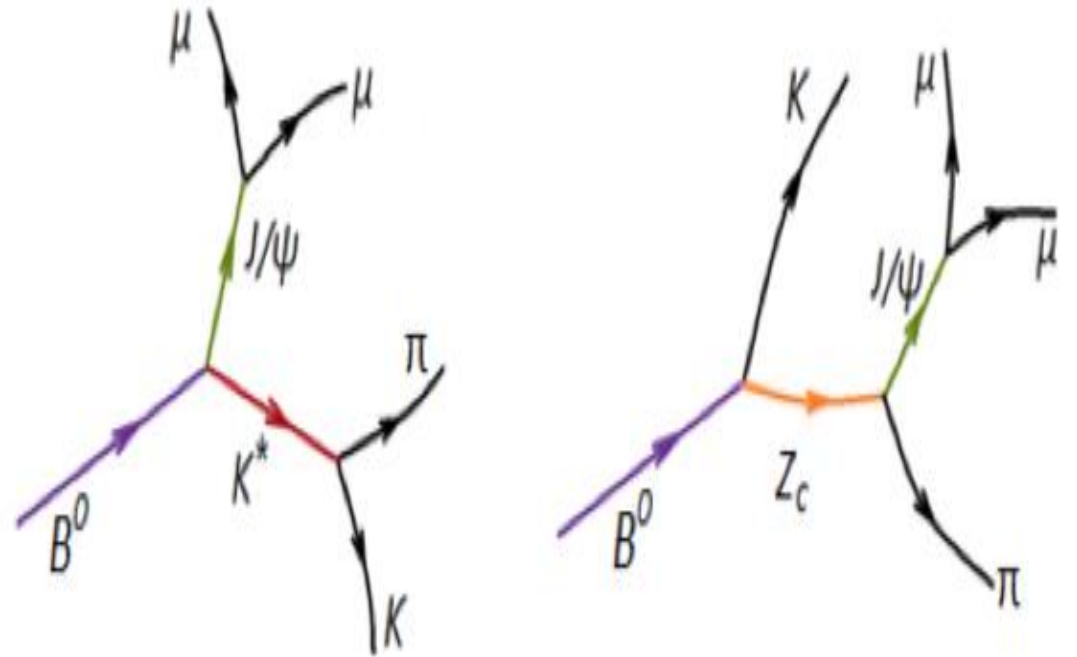
Run 2 searches for exotic  $Z_c$  states.

Belle observes  $Z_c(4200)^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+$ .

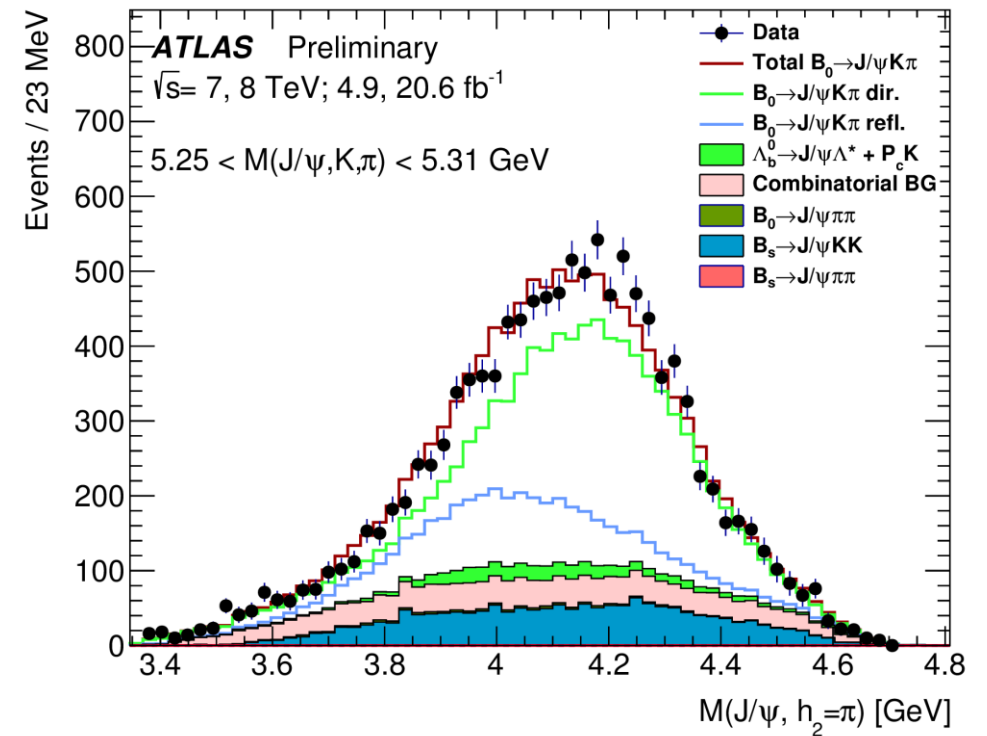
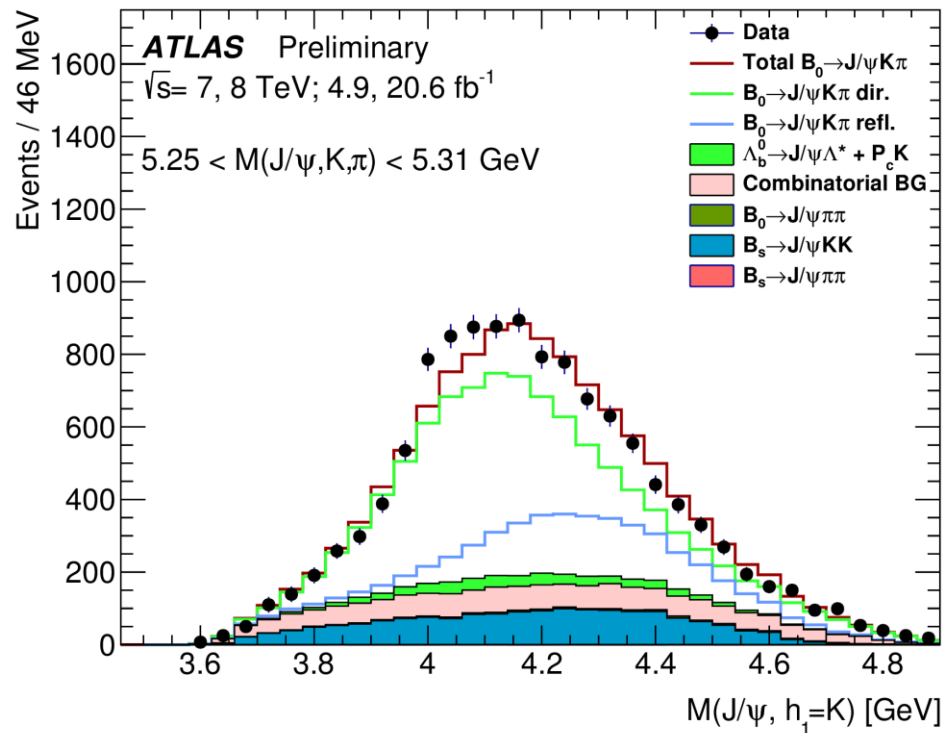
- See [[Phys. Rev. D 90, 112009](#)].

Seen in  $B_d \rightarrow J/\psi K^+ \pi^-$  decays.

- Large  $m(K \pi)$ .



# $Z_c(4200)$ Hints in the Run 1 Analysis



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## Summary:

- Search for a X(5568) resonance:
  - No evidence of the state claimed by D0.
  - Strong limits on production set from Run 1 data.
- Pentaquarks with  $\Lambda_b \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$  :
  - 0-pentaquark model strongly disfavoured (not excluded) by data.
    - Run 2 statistics required.
  - 2-pentaquark model consistent with data and LHCb.
  - 4-pentaquark model also consistent with data (with parameters fixed from LHCb).
    - Poor mass resolution limits analysis.
  - Run 2 analysis offers better statistics, better resolution...
    - Underway - expect results soon!
- $Z_c(4200)$  searches in Run 2:
  - Running in parallel with the Run 2 pentaquark analysis.

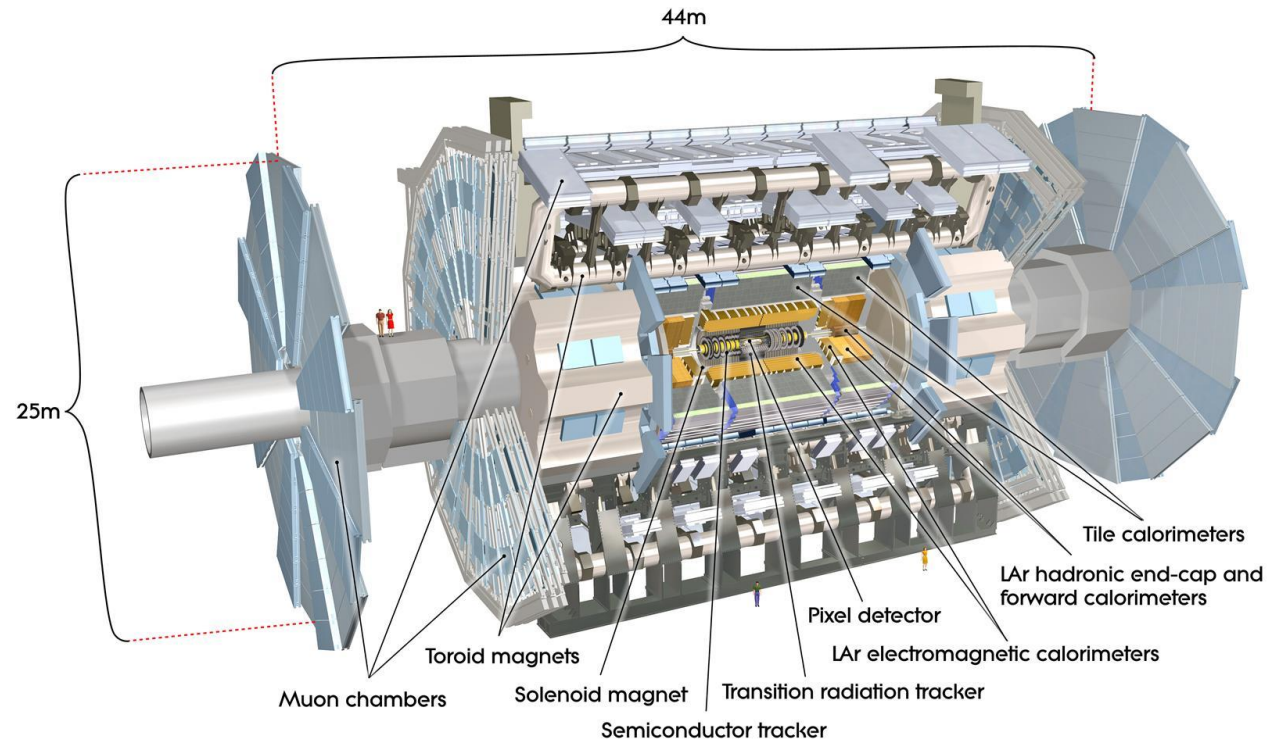


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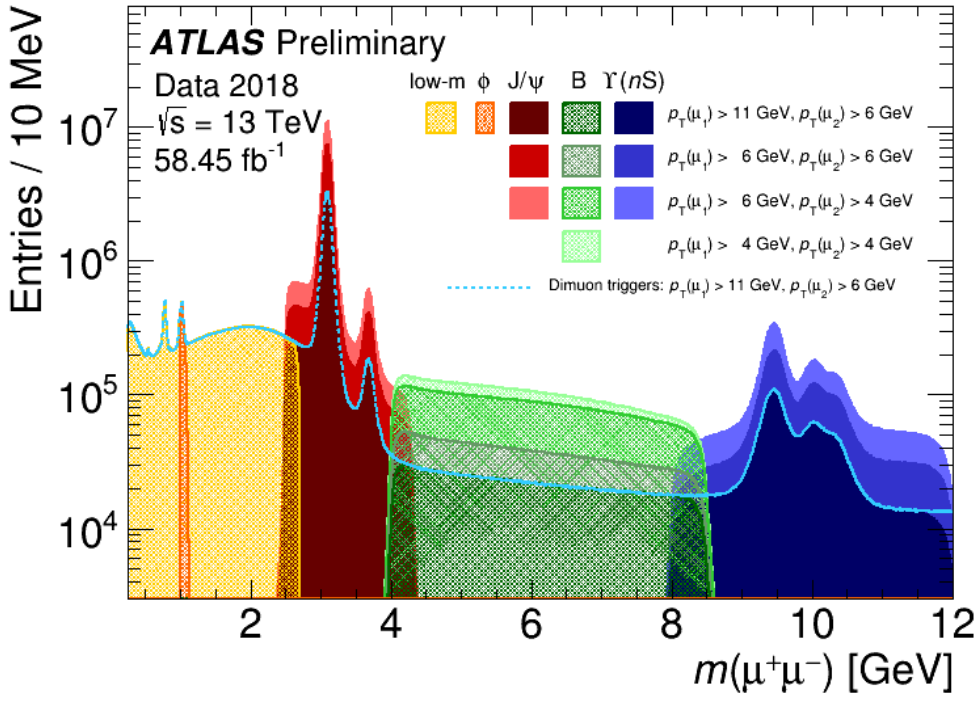
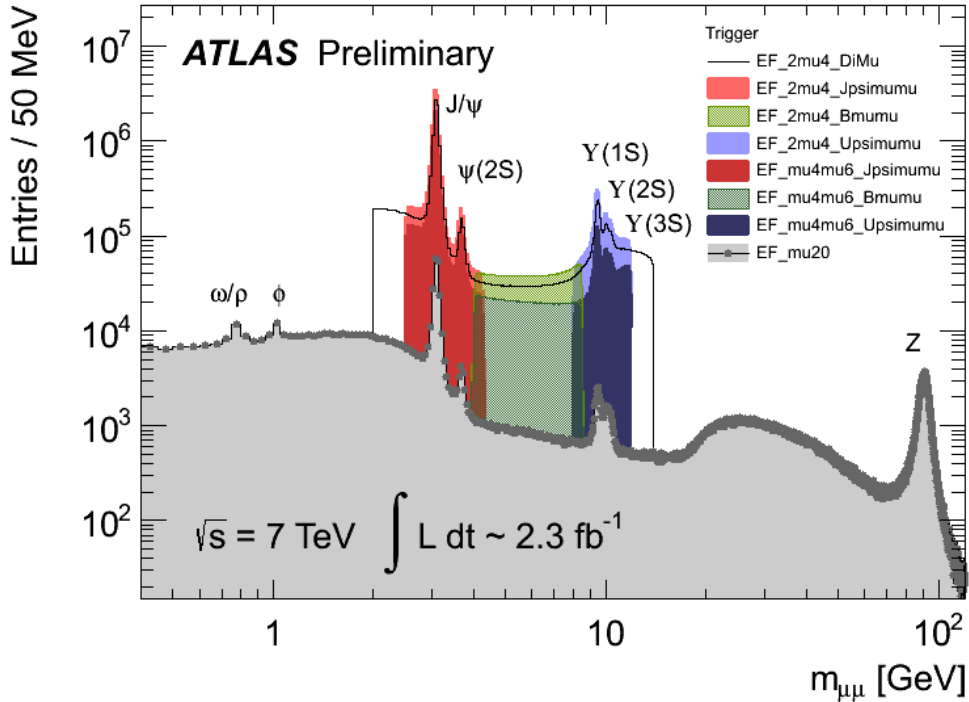
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# ATLAS: The Detector

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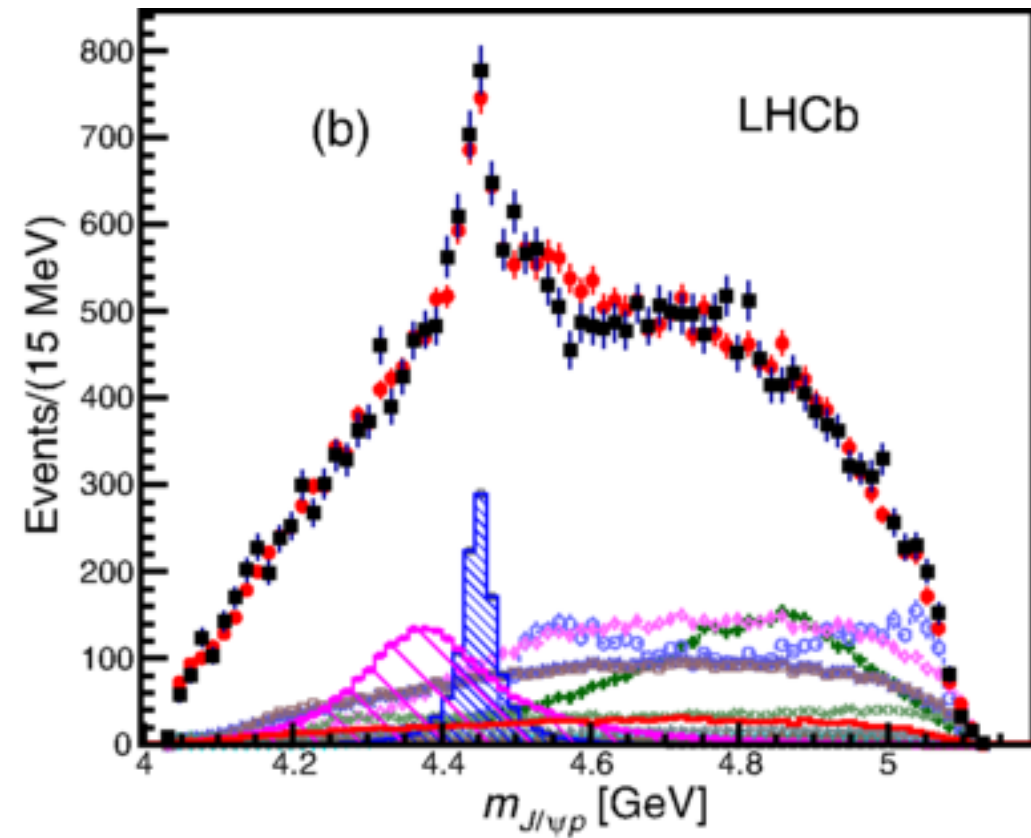
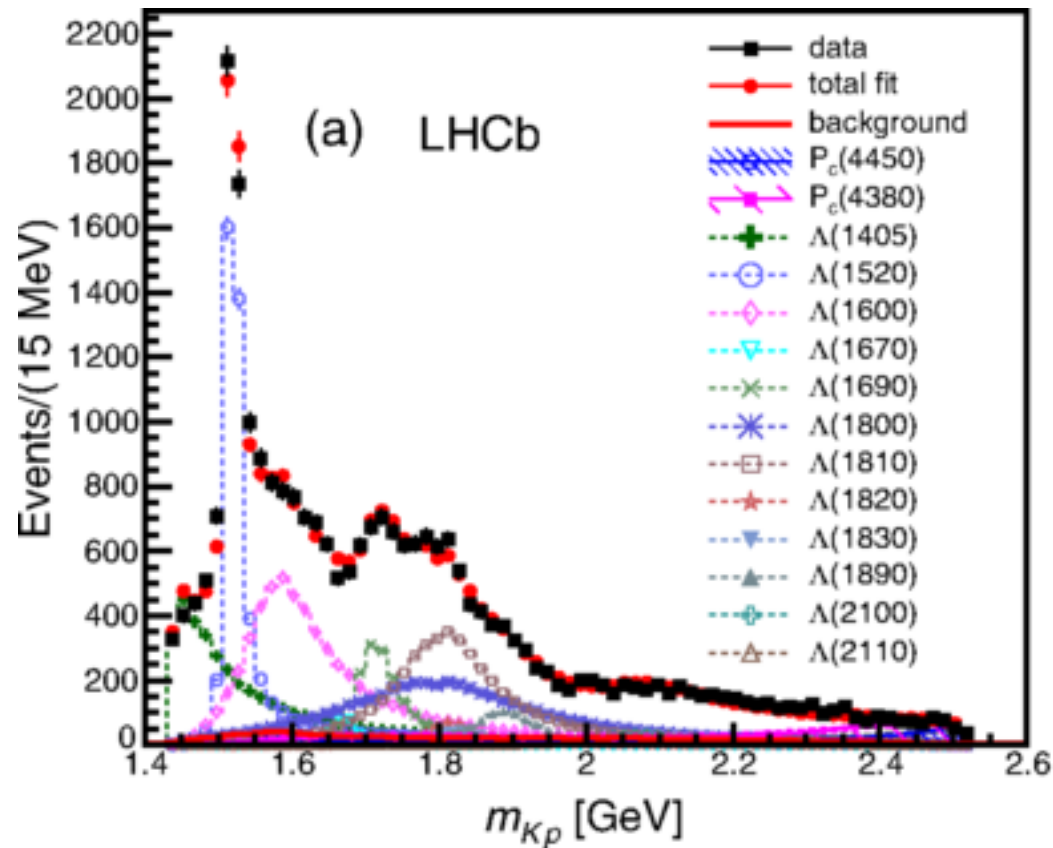
# B-Physics Triggers: Run 1 and Run 2



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# Pentaquarks in the $J/\psi p K^-$ State: Initial LHCb Results



# Pentaquarks in the $J/\psi p K^-$ State: Systematics

Source	$N(P_{c1})$	$N(P_{c2})$	$N(P_{c1} + P_{c2})$	$\Delta\phi$
Number of $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$ decays	+1.8% -0.6%	+6.6% -9.2%	+1.6% -0.8%	+0.3% -0.0%
Pentaquark modelling	+21% -0%	+1% -22%	+8.7% -4.4%	+1.6% -0.0%
Non-pentaquark $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$ modelling	+14% -2%	+5% -44%	+9.2% -9.1%	+3.6% -1.6%
Combinatorial background	+0.7% -4.0%	+18% -5%	+4.2% -4.8%	+3.2% -0.0%
$B$ meson decays modelling	+13% -25%	+28% -35%	+1.6% -9.3%	+0.5% -2.1%
Total systematic uncertainty	+28% -25%	+35% -61%	+14% -15%	+5.1% -2.7%

Source	$m(P_{c1})$	$\Gamma(P_{c1})$	$m(P_{c2})$	$\Gamma(P_{c2})$
Number of $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$ decays	+0.06% -0.03%	+3.5% -2.5%	+0.07% -0.04%	+7% -13%
Pentaquark modelling	+0.6% -0.0%	+18% -0%	+0.2% -0.0%	+0% -33%
Non-pentaquark $\Lambda_b^0 \rightarrow J/\psi p K^-$ modelling	+0.23% -0.05%	+9.2% -1.2%	+0.24% -0.02%	+2% -62%
Combinatorial background	+0.03% -0.15%	+0% -11%	+0.01% -0.17%	+22% -4%
$B$ meson decays modelling	+0.24% -0.00%	+21% -21%	+0.27% -0.14%	+17% -57%
Total systematic uncertainty	+0.7% -0.2%	+30% -24%	+0.4% -0.2%	+28% -91%