

# Theoretical models of exotic hadrons

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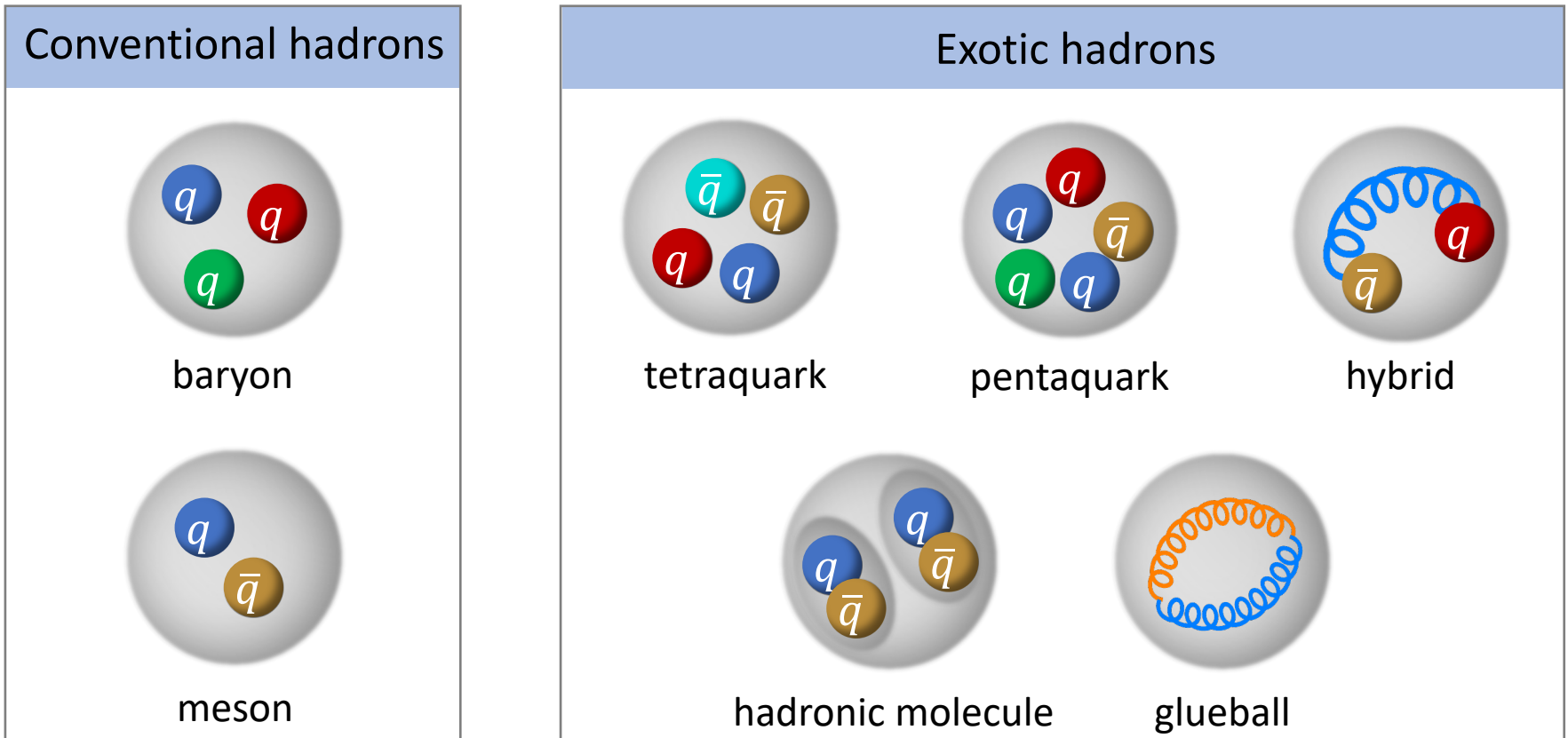
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# Conventional and exotic hadrons

- Hadrons are colorless; what types of color singlets should exist?
- Confinement: clue from hadron spectrum?
- Quark model: conventional and exotic hadrons



Disclaimer: NOT a general review; will discuss challenges from my personal point of view

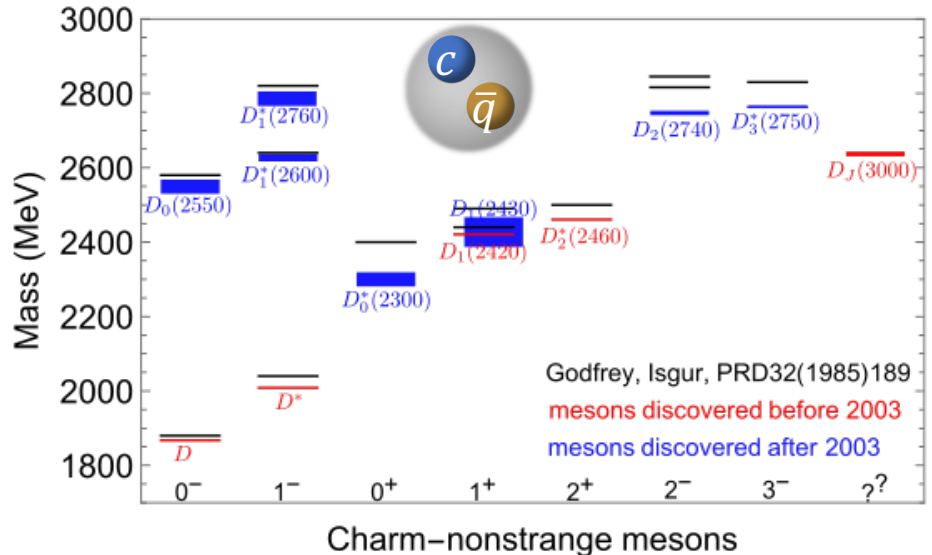
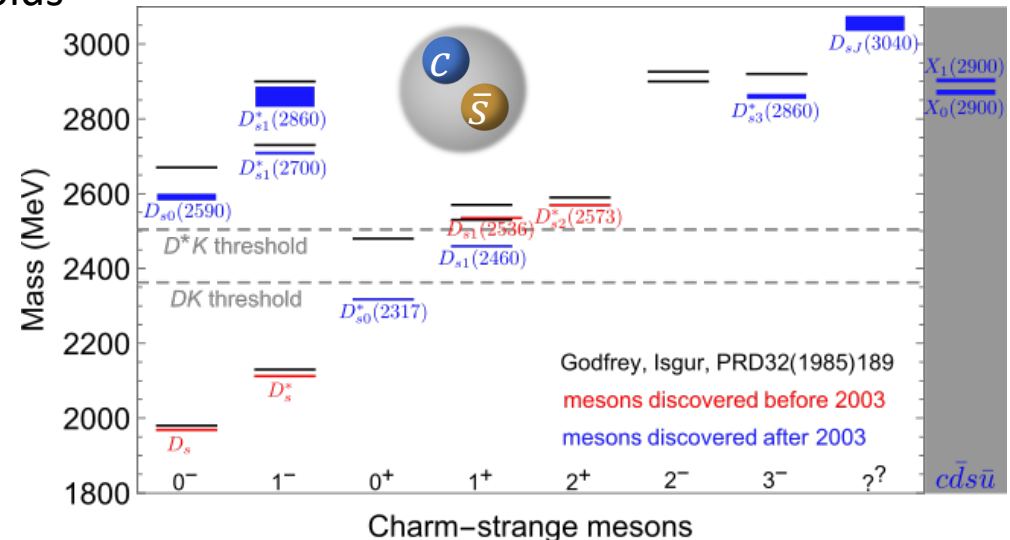
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- Example: open-charm mesons



Predictions of the  $2^-$  states taken from Godfrey, Moats, PRD93(2016)034035

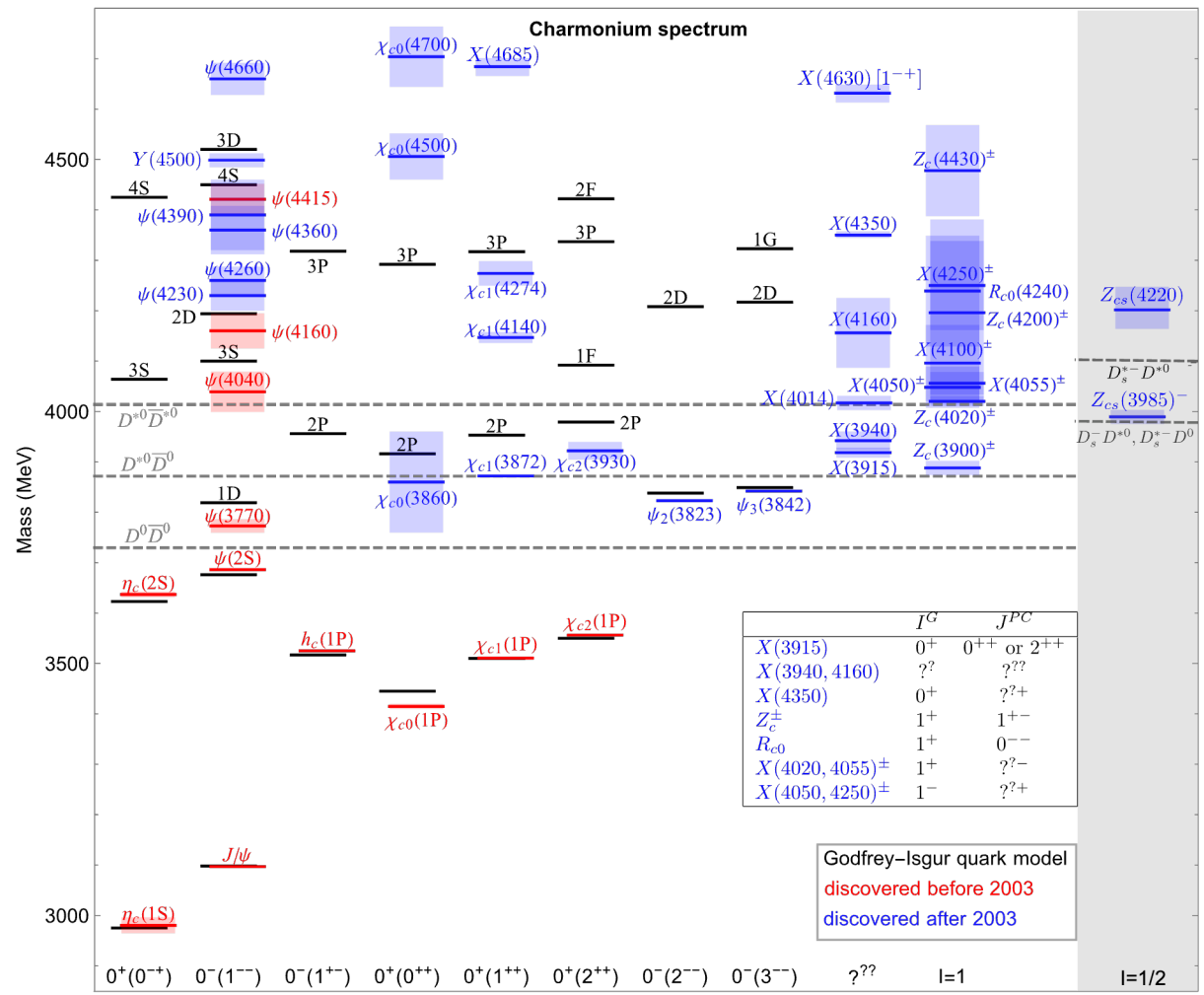
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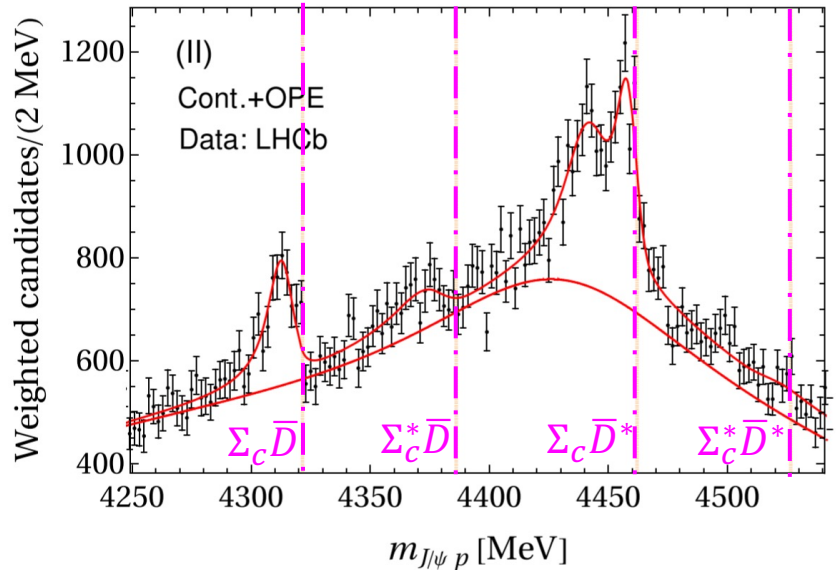


# Near-threshold states

- Prominent features: many are **narrow and near-threshold**; spectrum of **explicitly exotic** states is emerging

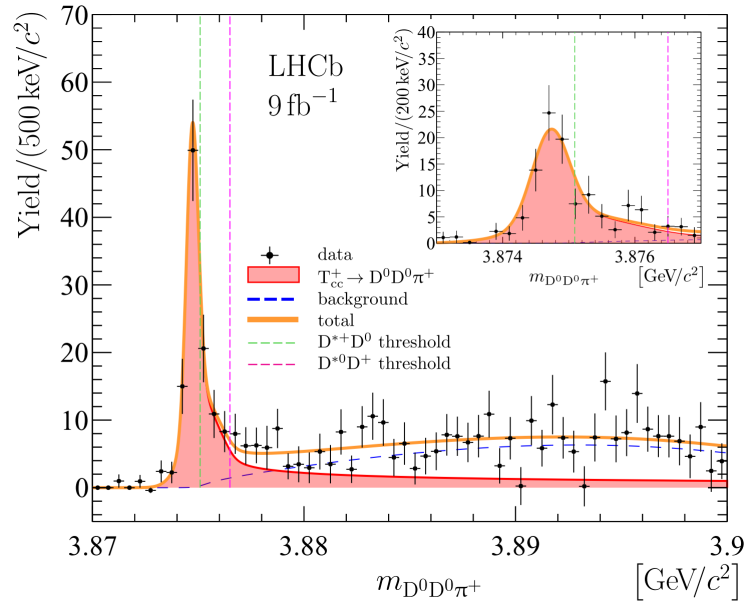
$X(3872)$ [aka  $\chi_{c1}(3872)$ ],  $Z_c(3900)^\pm$ ,  $Z_c(4020)^\pm$ ,  $Z_{cs}(3985)$ , ...  
 Belle(2003)                      BESIII, Belle (2013)    BESIII (2013)    BESIII (2020), LHCb (2021)

## $P_c$ states: hidden-charm baryon



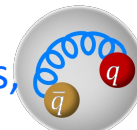

data from LHCb, PRL122 (2019) 222001;  
 fit from  
 M.-L. Du, Baru, FKG, Hanhart, Meißner, Oller, Q. Wang,  
 PRL124 (2020) 072001

## $T_{cc}$ : double-charm meson



LHCb, Nature Phys. 18 (2022) 751

# Models

- Candidates of **hadronic molecules**
- Other models: **compact multiquark states**,  **hybrids**,  **hadrocharmonia** 
- >10 reviews in the last 7 years:

- H.-X. Chen et al., *The hidden-charm pentaquark and tetraquark states*, Phys. Rept. 639 (2016) 1
- A. Hosaka et al., *Exotic hadrons with heavy flavors: X, Y, Z, and related states*, PTEP 2016 (2016) 062C01
- J.-M. Richard, *Exotic hadrons: review and perspectives*, Few Body Syst. 57 (2016) 1185
- R. F. Lebed, R. E. Mitchell, E. Swanson, *Heavy-quark QCD exotica*, PPNP 93 (2017)143
- A. Esposito, A. Pilloni, A. D. Polosa, *Multiquark resonances*, Phys. Rept. 668 (2017) 1
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- A. Ali, J. S. Lange, S. Stone, *Exotics: Heavy pentaquarks and tetraquarks*, PPNP 97 (2017) 123
- S. L. Olsen, T. Skwarnicki, *Nonstandard heavy mesons and baryons: Experimental evidence*, RMP 90 (2018) 015003
- Y.-R. Liu et al., *Pentaquark and tetraquark states*, PPNP107 (2019) 237
- N. Brambilla et al., *The XYZ states: experimental and theoretical status and perspectives*, Phys. Rept. 873 (2020) 154
- Y. Yamaguchi et al., *Heavy hadronic molecules with pion exchange and quark core couplings: a guide for practitioners*, JPG 47 (2020) 053001
- FKG, X.-H. Liu, S. Sakai, *Threshold cusps and triangle singularities in hadronic reactions*, PPNP 112 (2020) 103757
- G. Yang, J. Ping, J. Segovia, *Tetra- and penta-quark structures in the constituent quark model*, Symmetry 12 (2020) 1869
- H.-X. Chen, W. Chen, X. Liu, Y.-R. Liu, S.-L. Zhu, *An updated review of the new hadron states*, RPP 86 (2023) 026201
- L. Meng, B. Wang, G.-J. Wang, S.-L. Zhu, *Chiral perturbation theory for heavy hadrons and chiral effective field theory for heavy hadronic molecules*, Phys. Rept. 1019 (2023) 2266
- .....

- **And a book:**

- A. Ali, L. Maiani, A. D. Polosa, *Multiquark Hadrons*, Cambridge University Press (2019)  
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# Hadronic molecules & tetraquarks

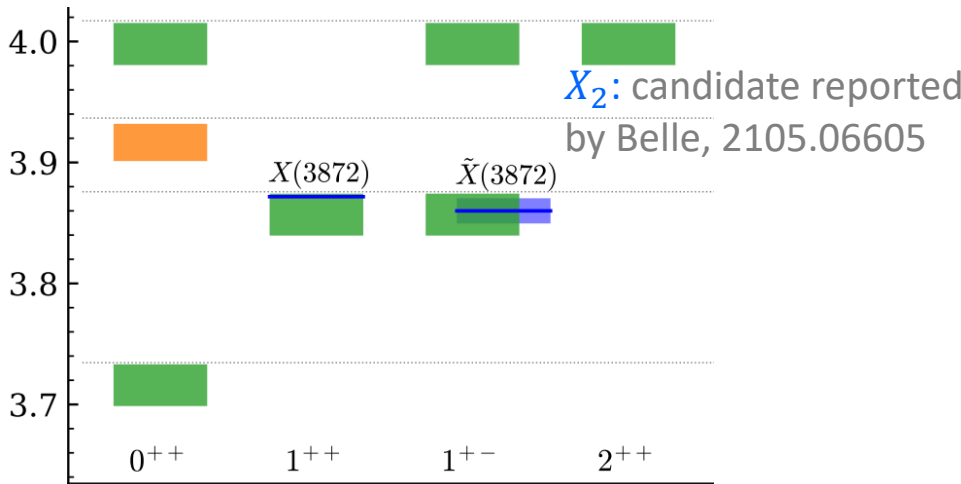
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➤  $P = +$  states in a molecular model

- N.A. Törnqvist, ZPC61(1994)525;
- C.-Y. Wong, PRC69(2004)055202;
- E. Swanson, JPCS9(2005)79;
- J. Nieves, M.P. Valderrama, PRD86(2012)056004;
- FKG, C. Hidalgo-Duque, J. Nieves, M.P. Valderrama, PRD88(2013)054007;
- V. Baru et al. PLB763(2016)20; ...

Heavy-quark spin symmetry:

$$M_{X_2[D^*\bar{D}^*]} - M_{X(3872)} \approx M_{D^*} - M_D$$



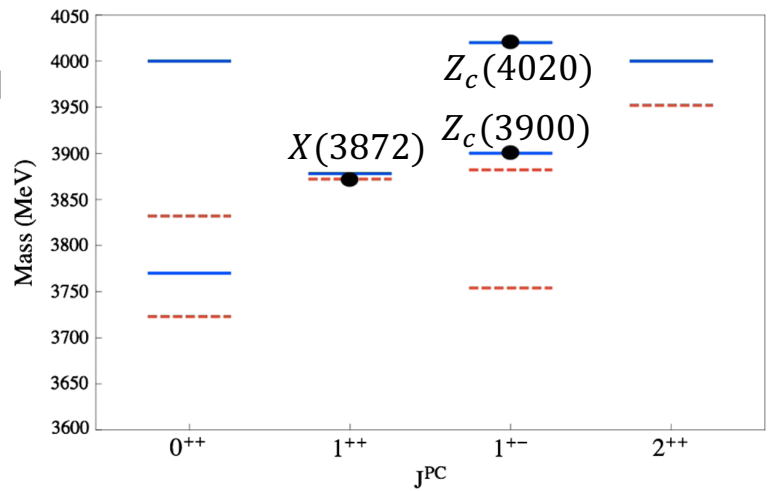
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➤  $P = +$  states in a tetraquark model

$$\mathcal{H} \approx 2\kappa_{qc}(s_q \cdot s_c + s_{\bar{q}} \cdot s_{\bar{c}})$$

Spectrum similar with molecular model from fixing  $\kappa_{qc}$  using

$$M_{Z_c(4020)} - M_{Z_c(3900)} \approx M_{D^*} - M_D$$



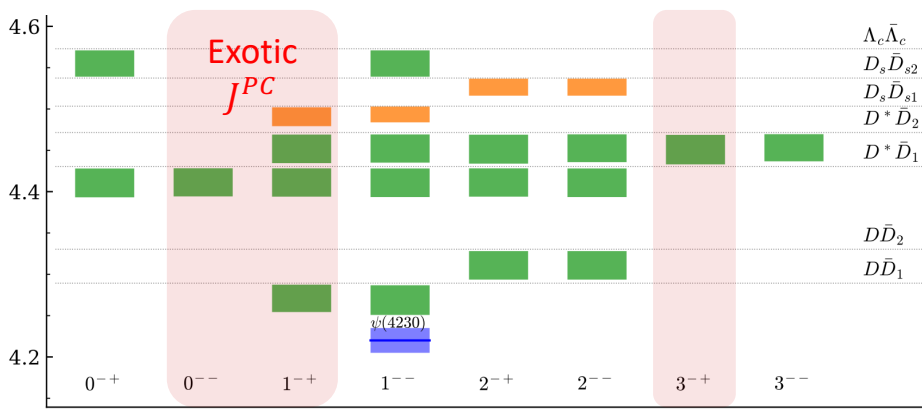
L. Maiani, F. Piccinini, A. D. Polosa, V. Riquer, PRD89(2014)114010

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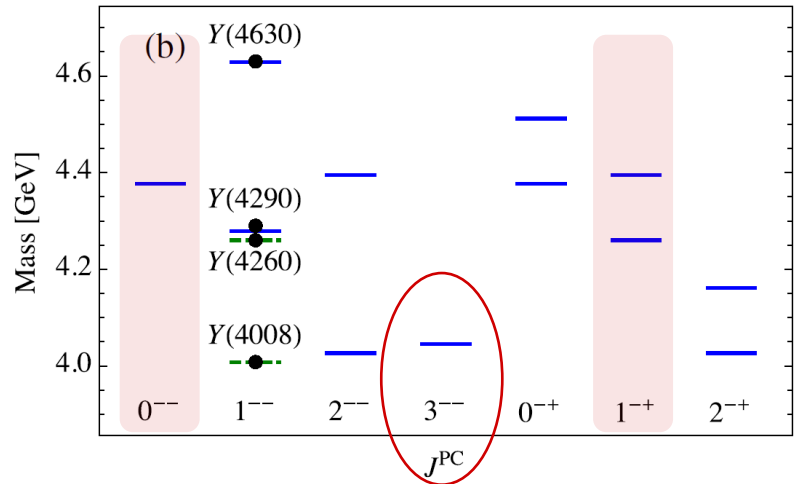
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$$M = M_{00} + B_c \frac{L(L+1)}{2} + a[L(L+1) + S(S+1) - J(J+1)] + \kappa_{cq}[s(s+1) + \bar{s}(\bar{s}+1) - 3].$$



Mol. spectrum using a VMD interaction

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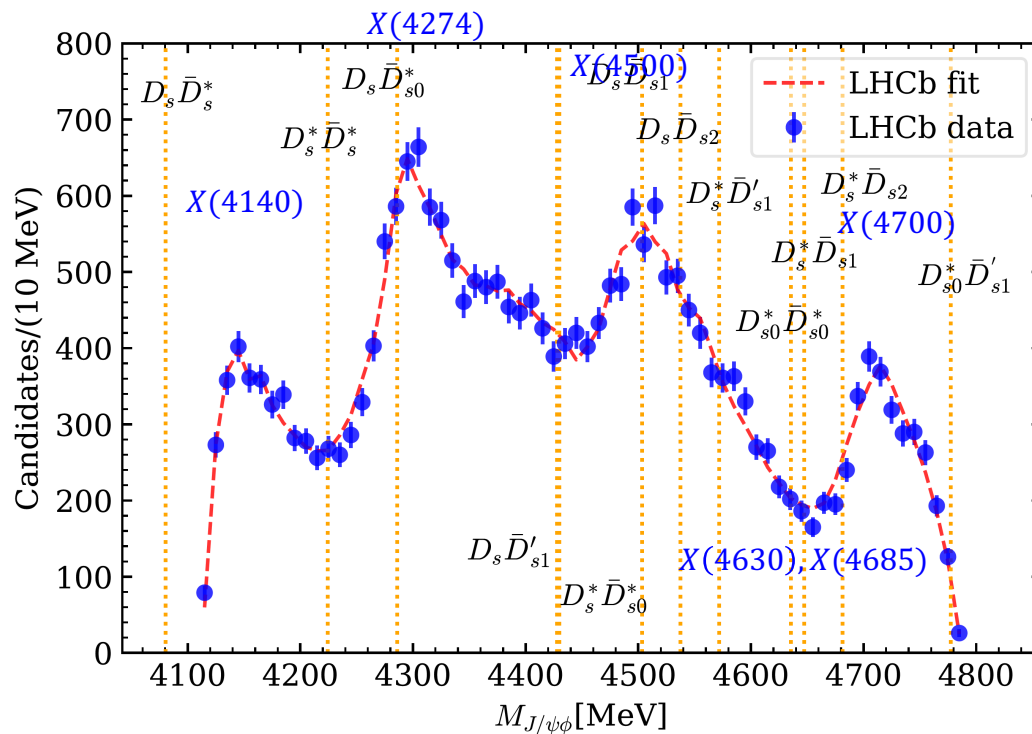
M. Cleven, FKG, C. Hanhart, Q. Wang, Q. Zhao, PRD92(2015)014005

using inputs from L. Maiani, F. Piccinini, A. D. Polosa, V. Riquer, PRD89(2014)114010



# Challenges

- To reveal the underlying physics, we need to have a **faithful spectrum** to start with
- In most cases, resonance parameters are extracted using Breit-Wigner
  - ▣ Potentially sizeable corrections due to coupled channels and thresholds
  - K-matrix formalism with coupled channels

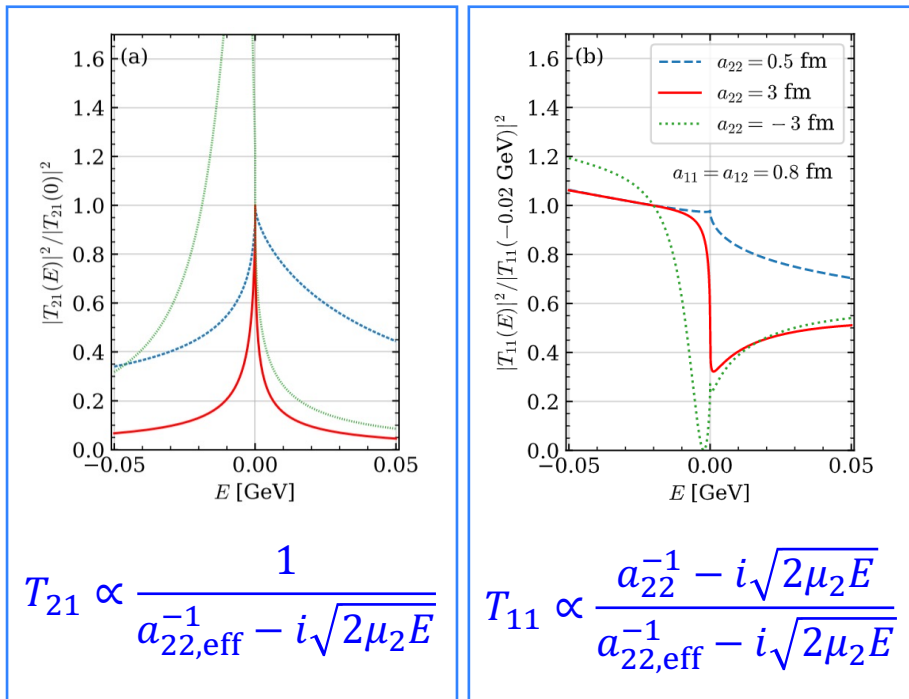


LHCb data: PRL127(2021)082001

Figure from X.-K. Dong, FKG, B.-S. Zou, Progr.Phys.41(2021)65

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Line shapes of the same poles in different processes

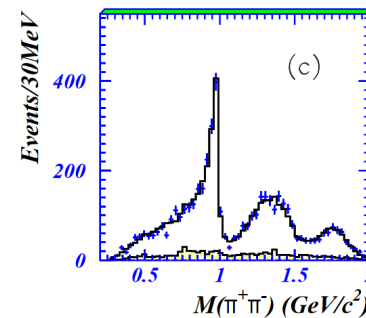
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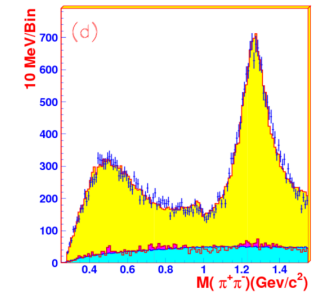
■ E.g.,  $f_0(980)$ :

peak in  
 $J/\psi \rightarrow \phi\pi^+\pi^-$

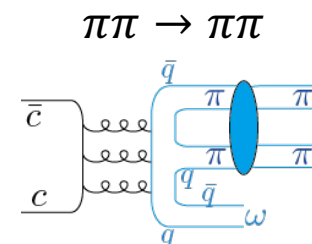
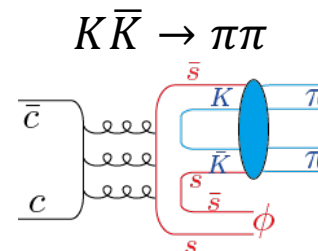
dip in  
 $J/\psi \rightarrow \omega\pi^+\pi^-$



BES, PLB607(2005)243



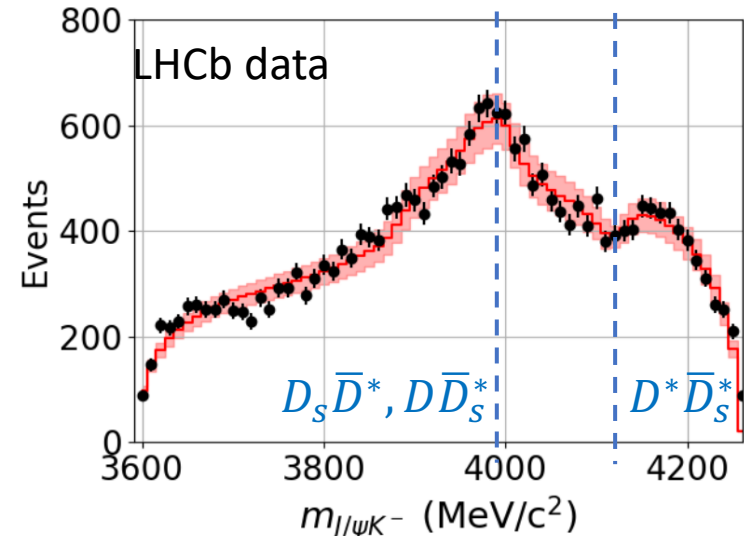
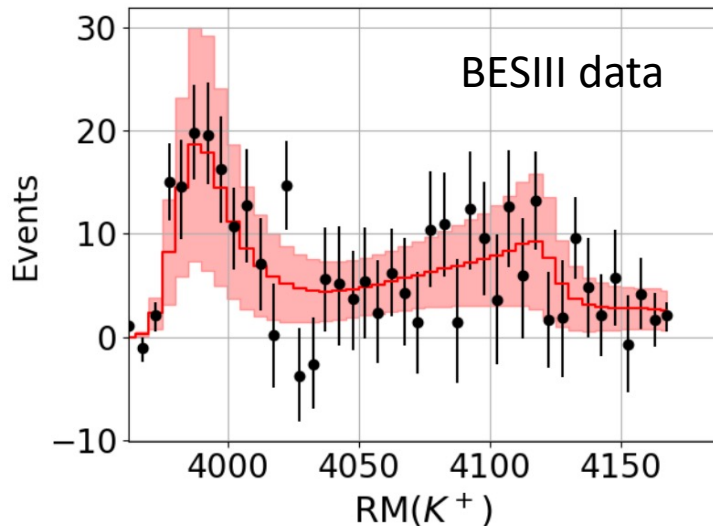
BES, PLB598(2004)149



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- ✓ BESIII: narrow  $Z_{CS}(3985)$  PRL126(2021)102001; PRL129(2022)112003
- ✓ LHCb: broad  $Z_{CS}(4000)$ , and  $Z_{CS}(4200)$  PRL127(2021)082001; arXiv:2301.04899
- ✓ A simultaneous fit to the BESIII and LHCb  $Z_{CS}^{\pm}$  data: two virtual states  $Z_{CS}(3990, 4110)$

Ortega, Entem, Fernandez, PLB818(2021)136382



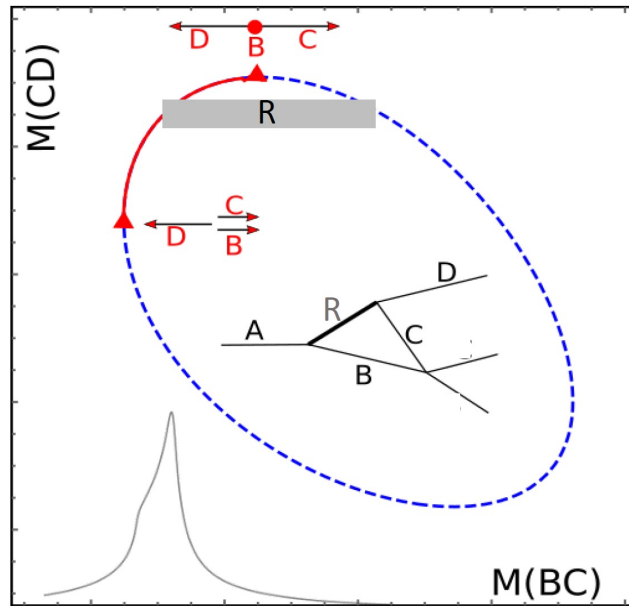
See also Yang et al., PRD103(2021)074029; Baru et al., PRD105(2022)034014

# Challenges

## □ A peak is not necessarily due to a resonance

### ➤ Triangle singularities

- on shell and collinear intermediate particles
- determined by kinematic variables such as masses and energies
- sensitive to energies and processes



For a review of triangle singularities and threshold cusps, FKG, X.-H.Liu, S. Sakai, PPNP 112 (2020) 103757

$$m_{A,TS}^2 \in \left[ (m_R + m_B)^2, (m_R + m_B)^2 + \frac{m_B}{m_C} [(m_R - m_C)^2 - m_D^2] \right]$$

$$m_{BC,TS}^2 \in \left[ (m_B + m_C)^2, (m_B + m_C)^2 + \frac{m_B}{m_R} [(m_R - m_C)^2 - m_D^2] \right]$$

# Summary and outlook

- Unified description of the "new hadron spectroscopy" is missing
- Precise data and lattice QCD calculations are needed
- Theoretical methods constrained by symmetry, unitarity and analyticity as a bridge
- Looking forward to more discoveries at LHC

