

(Re)discovery of the Doubly Charmed Baryon in LHCb Run-3 Data

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Doubly charmed baryon

- Doubly charmed baryons resemble hydrogen-like atoms.
- Simplify calculations and allow predictions about their characteristics.



[Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. 8 (2020) 083C01]





• Measurement of Ξ_{cc}^{++}

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- Cross section = $(2.22 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.29) \times 10^{-4}$ [Chin.Phys. C 44 (2020) 022001]
- $\tau(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = 0.256^{+0.024}_{-0.022}(\text{stat}) \pm 0.014(\text{syst}) \text{ ps}$ [Phys. Rev. Lett. 121 (2018) no.5, 052002]
- $m(\Xi_{cc}^{++}) = 3621.55 \pm 0.23(\text{stat}) \pm 0.30(\text{syst}) \text{ MeV}/c^2$ [Phys. Rev. Lett. 121 (2018) no.5, 052002]



Prediction of \mathcal{Z}_{cc}^+ **Lifetime**



\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^+ Search, Present status (with Run1 & 2 data)

• A bump around its isospin partner, Ξ_{cc}^{++} , with a local significance 3σ





Why pay attention to Λ_c^+



 $\varXi_{cc}^{++} \to \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$

 $\Xi_{cc}^+ \to \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$

Two important channels for searching Ξ_{cc} , both including Λ_c^+



Λ_c^+ in LHCb Run3 data

- Number of Λ_c^+ events in 2018 data: 8.6 × 10⁷
- Number of Λ_c^+ events in part of 2024 data (before including UT): 1.3×10^8



Workflow for extremely large amount of data Without saving a new Root file

- Use RDataFrame
 - Deploy preselection cut
 - Define new branches
 - Get MVA response
- NO root file saving before the final step

import ROOT
import numpy as np
import Analysisuata
ROOT.EnableImplicitMT()
lineName - "VicenTelenKmDin"
treeName = lipeName + "/DecayTree"
Get all Tuples from Analysis production
datasets = AnalysisData("charm", "charm_baryon_spec_2024_data", polarity=["magdown","magup"])
paths = datasets(eventtype=94000000, datatype=2024)
rdf = ROOT.RDataFrame(treeName, paths)
model = RUUI.IMVA.Experimental.RReader("X1ccP2LcKp1_BUIG_V1.xml")
Variables = ["Tloat_nc_vchizbor","Tloat_ncc_vchizbor","ncc_bir_rv_chiz_ncc_bir_rv_Nbor",\
"ACos Hoc REVIDIRA" "Lee P Lee
<pre>newT = rdf.Define("Xicc_ConstM", "(Hcc_DTF_PV_MASS-Hc_M+2286.46)")</pre>
aCut = newT.Filter("HcKm_TRCHI2DOF<3 &HcPp_TRCHI2DOF<3 & HcPip_TRCHI2DOF<3 &"\
"HcPp_P>1000 &HcKm_P>1000&HcPip_P>1000& HcPp_PT>200&HcPip_PT>200&HcKm_PT>200 & HcPp_PT+HcKm_PT+HcPip_PT>3000 &"\
"TMath::Max(HcPp_PT, TMath::Max(HcKm_PT,HcPip_PT))>1000& ")#preselection just for showing the workflow
rdf_addnew = aCut.Define("float_Hc_VCHI2DOF","float(Hc_VCHI2DOF)").Define("float_Hcc_VCHI2DOF","float(Hcc_VCHI2DOF)")\
.Define("Hcc_DTF_PV_CHI2_Hcc_DTF_PV_NDOF","float(Hcc_DTF_PV_CHI2/Hcc_DTF_PV_NDOF)")\
.Define("log_Hcc_PT","log(Hcc_PT)").Define("log_Hc_PT","log(Hc_PT)").Define("log_HccKm_PT","log(HccKm_PT)")\
Define("log_HcCPip_PI","log(HcCPip_PI")").Define("log_HcPp_PI","log(HcPp_PI")").Define("log_HcKm_PI","log(HcKm_PI")") dfdfoddpo: Define([PDTC_volvel_POOT_TM(A_Evention to]_Compute[22UflectU](model) veriables) Eilter(UDDTC_velve[0], 0, 04U)
df = rdf_addnew.berine("BDTG_value",RUDT.TMVA.Experimental.compute[23, "float"](model),Variables).Filter("BDTG_value[0]>0.94")
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Workflow: $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$

- Loose <u>pre-selection</u>, reduce background
 - According to features (like IP, P_T) of Ξ_{cc}^{++} and its daughters
- MVA training, use MVA response to separate background and signal
 - A ML method: exploiting the correlation between input variables
 - Get a better signal-to-background separation.





 Λ_c^+

Impact Parameter (IP)

 Ξ_{cc}^+

 π^+

 K^{-}

 K^{-}

 π^{+}



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- <u>Remove clone and duplicate candidates</u>
 - Clone candidates
 - A track of a particle from Λ_c^+ may be reconstructed twice, and the clone one is used to reconstruct Ξ_{cc}^{++} .
 - Require the angle between the momenta of two tracks > 0.5 mrad
 - Duplicate candidates
 - $3\pi^+$ and $2K^-$ in the whole decay process
 - π^+ / K^- from Λ_c^+ swap with that from Ξ_{cc}^{++}
 - If two (or more) \mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++} candidates share six pairs of identical

final-state tracks, randomly keep one candidate.





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- MVA retraining:
 - Use \mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++} signal in data as training samples
 - Use Run-3 MC samples to train a new model

The same workflow is also used for $\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Xi_{c}^{+} \pi^{+}, \Xi_{cc}^{+} \rightarrow \Lambda_{c}^{+} K^{-} \pi^{+}$ Expect less background, more signal, better resolution



$\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$, Run-3 dataset Apply MVA cut to preselected data

MVA model trained by Run-2 MC samples





$\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$, Run-3 dataset **Remove duplicated and clone candidates**





$\mathcal{Z}_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$, Run-3 dataset **MVA Re-Training 1:**

- Use signal in data as training sample
- Gradient Boosted Decision Tree (BDTG) method

Variables selection:

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 Ξ_{cc}^{++} daughters: *PID*, P_T ...

Before using Ξ_{cc}^{++} sweight in MVA training

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$\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$, Run-3 dataset **MVA Re-Training 2:**

- Signal samples: Run-3 MC samples
- Background samples: WS samples

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2016-2018 data

Part of 2024 data with & without UT

Almost twice the signals in LHCb part 2024 Data as in 2016-2018 data

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Use Run-2 MVA cut

Use MVA cut

trained by 2024 MC and WS samples

$E_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$ **MVA based:**

Λ_c^+ mass distribution(RS)

Counts 60

20

10

Blinded Signal Window (RS)

3700

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