## Reconstruction & PID Performance of the LHCb RICH Detectors



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### Outline

**Reminder of the three previous LHCb talks:** 





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**Operation of the LHCb RICH HPDs** 

**RICH Detector Alignment with Data** 

### Now the fourth chapter:

- Baseline RICH reconstruction strategy
- RICH dataflow and monitoring
- PID Monitoring with  $\sqrt{s}$ = 7 TeV collisions
  - Isolating charged track samples
  - Current performance w/ first data
  - Prospects at nominal luminosities



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#### **RICH** performance also reliant on LHCb Tracking

- Vertex detector (VELO)
- Series of tracking stations before & after magnet
  - Silicon strips for high occupancy close to beam pipe
  - $\bullet$  Drift chambers at low  $\eta$



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- Reconstruct Photon Candidates
  - Assume photon emission point to be the middle of the track
  - Pair-up photons and tracks and compute photon parameters
- Determine PIDs with a Global Likelihood...



## **Global Likelihood PID Algorithm**

#### Consider

#### ...and maximise the following:

- **all** photons,
- **all** tracks and for
- **all** radiators...

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(n_{pixel}, \sum_{track} a_{pixel,track}, b_{pixel})$$

- I. Take all PIDs to be  $\pi$  (or seed with a previous iteration) • Estimate background parameter  $b_{pixel}$  per HPD
- 2. Calculate likelihood of a given pixel distribution
- 3. Iterate (until no improvement is found):
  - Change PID hypothesis for one track at a time
  - Recalculate likelihood for each hypothesis
  - Take the PID that maximises the likelihood
  - Assign new PID to that track
- 4. With signal photons "identified", update background estimate and iterate

#### For PID, cut on $\Delta \log \mathcal{L}$ per track and hypothesis

### LHCb Data Flow & Monitoring



#### Path to Offline

- L0 triggered data sent to 'Event Filter Farm'
- Information from all sub-detectors gathered and 'events' are built and buffered
- The Higher-Level software Trigger (HLT) process these events and selects only those of interest for 'offline' reconstruction

## LHCb Data Flow & Monitoring



## **PID Monitoring**

#### How well is the RICH operating during data taking?

- Need high purity samples of  $K, \pi$  and p
- Isolated without the use of RICH information

#### **'Standard Candle' Decay Modes**

- Harness the wealth of statistics from certain modes
- Reconstruct through kinematic requirements alone

$$\begin{split} K^0_S &\to \pi^- \pi^+ \\ \Lambda^0 &\to p \pi^- \\ \phi(1020) &\to K^+ K^- \\ D^{*+} &\to D^0 (K^- \pi^+) \pi^+ \\ D^+_s &\to \phi (K^+ K^-) \pi^+ \end{split}$$

'strange' decays \*bountiful\* and in first data

'charmed' decays - reduced
production cross-sections, but
plentiful when running at
nominal luminosity

# Selecting $K_s \& \Lambda (V^0)$ Decays

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#### Kinematically equivalent decays

- Two-body weak decays (hence the 'V' in bubble chamber images)
- Originating from PV (mainly) small impact parameter
- Daughter tracks with large impact parameters

#### • Exploit these decay characteristics

• Utilise a single, multi-variant, selection requirement

$$\nu = \log 10 \left( \frac{IP_+ \cdot IP_-}{IP_{V^0}} \right)$$

- But no use of PID!
- AP plot demonstrates:
  - Success of this cut
  - $K_{S}(\Lambda)$  are a background in  $\Lambda(K_{S})$ 
    - Utilise 'wrong mass' vetos
    - 98+ % purity obtainable

'Armenteros Podolanski' Plot 160 120 100  $---- \Lambda \xrightarrow{\mathbf{0}} p^{\pm} \pi^{\mp}$ -1

 $----K_S \to \pi^{\pm}\pi^{\mp}$ 

## K<sub>s</sub> & $\Lambda$ Samples from ~65 $\mu$ b<sup>-1</sup>



#### • First 2 weeks of $\sqrt{s}$ =7 TeV Data

- Accumulated from ~ 3 million L0 triggered events
- In both cases, only high quality tracks have been used (that transverse the full tracking system)
- And no PID used!
- Provides high purity samples of pions and protons
- What about kaons...?

## $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$ in $\sqrt{s} = 900$ GeV Data



#### As show by Franz on Monday

- The first physics success from exploiting the RICH with 1<sup>st</sup> data!
- **Top**: KK invariant mass before PID (kinematic cuts only)
- Bottom: After applying PID to both tracks (N<sub>signal</sub> ~ 600 events)
- And the situation with  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ ?

# $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$ in $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV Data



• Now a real throbbing peak!

•  $N_{signal} \sim 10,000$  events

- Is it not possible to utilise these events to ascertain RICH performance with kaons?
  - In theory, only applying a RICH PID cut to one of the kaons would leave the 'opposite' track as an unbiased kaon

## Extracting Kaon Info. from $\phi \rightarrow KK$



# • The issue is how to deal with the background

- Perform MC study
- Top, invariant mass plot from applying PID to the K<sup>-</sup> track only
  - Dominated by background
  - Unbiased K<sup>+</sup>
- Quantities we'd like to extract are:
  - RICH ∆log£
  - Track momentum
- Bottom, the raw and MC true kaon ∆log⊥ distributions for the unbiased K<sup>+</sup>
- Is there a technique to 'unfold' one from the other?

#### •Yes – sPlots and sWeights

- The functional form describing the signal and background contributions of  $\varphi$  invariant-mass distributions are known (see fit on previous slide) but not those in  $\Delta log \pounds$ , momentum (p) etc.
- However, since ∆log£ and p of a daughter track are uncorrelated to the mother invariant-mass, one can utilise "sWeights"
  - Following a fit to the invariant-mass distribution, can assign a weight (sWeight) to each candidate defining its probability to be signal or background
  - Can then use these weights to "unfold" the background and signal contributions to the daughter track  $\Delta \log \mathcal{L}$  distributions
  - The "unfolded" distributions are then referred to as "sPlots"

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- Excellent agreement
- Method therefore applied to data
- Used for both:
  - $\bullet$  Kaons from  $\varphi$
  - ${\mbox{ \bullet}}$  protons from  $\Lambda$

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• Once running at nominal luminosities, can expect these to be our principal channels for kaon performance monitoring

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**RICH** enables such analysis to be performed!

### Conclusions

#### • The LHCb RICH detectors are up and operational

- First order alignment & calibration performed
  - Many further corrections currently being determined
- Despite this, RICH already providing useful discrimination power
  - Peaks visible from using RICH info.:



• And signatures of other peaks around the corner ( $\Lambda_c$ ,  $\Omega^-$ , ...)

• A very "RICH" physics program ahead of us!



### **Global Likelihood**

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$$\mathbf{n}\mathcal{L} = -\sum_{track \ j} \frac{\mu_j}{p_i} + \sum_{pixel \ i} \frac{n_i}{n_i} \ln\left(\sum_{track \ j} \frac{a_{ij}}{p_i} + b_i\right)$$

 $a_{ij}$  = number of expected photons from track *j* in pixel *i* (for a given PID)

 $b_i$  = background in pixel *i* (photons not associated to any track)

$$n_i$$
 = number of photons in pixel *i*

 $\mu_j = \sum_i a_{ij}$  (expected number of photons associated with track *j*)

• Digital readout  $\Rightarrow n_i = 1 \text{ or } 0$ 

$$\ln \mathcal{L} = -\sum_{track \ j} \mu_j + \sum_{pixel \ i} \ln \left( \exp \left( \sum_{track \ j} a_{ij} + b_i \right) - 1 \right)$$

### Global likelihood - Remarks

- Operates in cerenkov angle space
- PDF is a gaussian on a "circle" at the expected cerenkov angle
- Try not to discard all knowledge at every step
- Don't recalculate what and a solution of the second second
- For PID cut on Delta-Log-Likelihood per track and hypothesis



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— MC Truth



### **Particle Identification**

An event display from real data show "rings" projected on to RICH1's photon detector plane:

**Detector acceptance** 



Saturated track: particle hypotheses indistinguishable Photons clearly favour the Kaon ring hypothesis Ring distortions due to detector geometry



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