

$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$ and B_c physics at LHCb

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1 Introduction

2 $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$, new

3 B_c physics

- Measurement of B_c^+ production
- Measurement of B_c^+ mass
- First observation of $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$
- First observation of $B_c^+ \rightarrow \psi(2S) \pi^+$
- Prospects

- Measure **FCNC** transitions, where New Physics is more likely to emerge, and compare to predictions

- ▶ E.g., OPE expansion for $b \rightarrow s$ transitions

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{4 G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} \sum_{i=1 \dots 10, S, P} (C_i O_i + C'_i O'_i) + \text{h.c.}$$

- ▶ New Physics may

- ★ modify short-distance Wilson coefficients $C^{(\prime)}$
- ★ add new operators $\sum_j C_j^{\text{NP}} O_j^{\text{NP}}$

and change the decay rates, angular distributions, etc

- Precision measurements of elements of the **CKM matrix**

- ▶ Determine all CKM angles and sides in many different ways, any inconsistency will be a sign of New Physics

- Production

- ▶ Quarkonium, beauty and charm hadrons production, to understand their production mechanism
- ▶ Production cross-section at new energies also required to guide relevant studies

- Spectroscopy

- ▶ Many particles predicted by the SM still remain to be discovered
- ▶ Exotic states, e.g., $X(3872)$, $Z(4430)$, where to fit?

- Decay

- ▶ Precision measurements of decay rates, angular distributions, etc
- ▶ New decay modes of beauty and charm hadrons

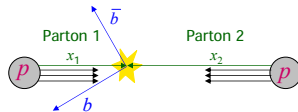
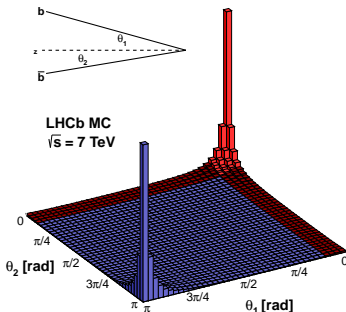
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- These measurements are important as well

- ▶ Deepen our understanding of the SM
- ▶ Something new may appear unexpectedly

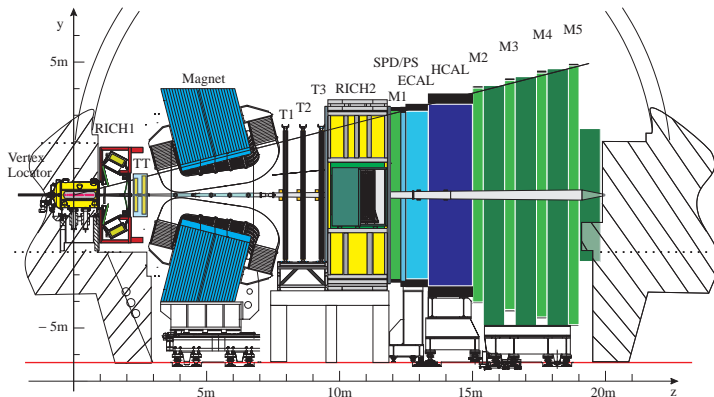
b and c production at LHC

- Large production cross-sections @ $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV
 $\sigma_{pp}^{\text{inel}} \sim 60 \text{ mb}$ [JINST 7 (2012) P01010]
 $\sigma(pp \rightarrow c\bar{c}X) \sim 6 \text{ mb}$ [LHCb-CONF-2010-013]
 $\sigma(pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}X) \sim 0.3 \text{ mb}$ [PLB 694 (2010) 209], c.f. $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}) \sim 1 \text{ nb}$ @ $\Upsilon(4S)$
- In high energy collisions, $b\bar{b}/c\bar{c}$ pairs are produced predominantly in forward or backward directions



LHCb detector

- Forward spectrometer, $2 < \eta < 5$



Vertex Locator

Tracking (TT, T1-T3)

RICHs

Muon system (M1-M5)

ECAL

HCAL

$$\sigma_{PV,x/y} \sim 10 \mu\text{m}, \sigma_{PV,z} \sim 60 \mu\text{m}$$

$$\Delta p/p: 0.4\% \text{ at } 5 \text{ GeV}/c, \text{ to } 0.6\% \text{ at } 100 \text{ GeV}/c$$

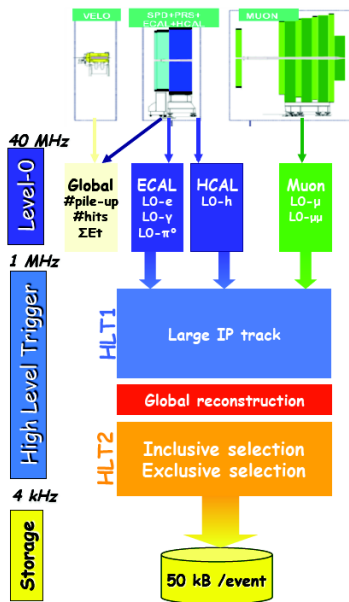
$$\varepsilon(K \rightarrow K) \sim 95\%, \text{ mis-ID rate } (\pi \rightarrow K) \sim 5\%$$

$$\varepsilon(\mu \rightarrow \mu) \sim 97\%, \text{ mis-ID rate } (\pi \rightarrow \mu) = 1 - 3\%$$

$$\sigma_E/E \sim 10\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 1\% \text{ (E in GeV)}$$

$$\sigma_E/E \sim 70\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 10\% \text{ (E in GeV)}$$

LHCb trigger system



- **Level-0, Hardware**

- ▶ Fully synchronous at 40 MHz
- ▶ Selection of high p_T particles
 - ★ $p_T(\mu) > \sim 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c$,
 - $p_T(\mu_1) \times p_T(\mu_2) > \sim (1.5 \text{ GeV}/c)^2$
 - ★ $E_T(h, e, \gamma) > 2.5 - 4 \text{ GeV}$

- **High Level Trigger (HLT), software**

- ▶ Runs ~ 30 k processes
- ▶ Stage 1, add tracking info, impact parameter cuts
- ▶ Stage 2, full reconstruction + selections

- Global event cuts (GEC) applied on the hit multiplicity of sub-detectors to remove events with high occupancy.

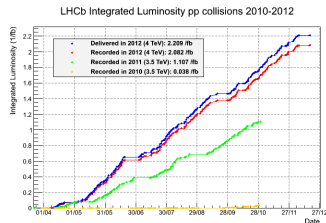
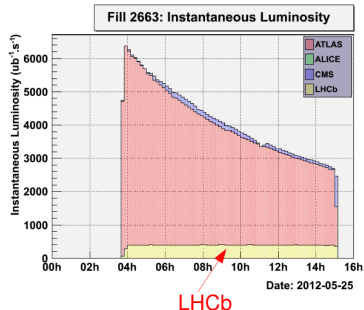
LHCb data taking

- Luminosity levelling

- ▶ $\mathcal{L} = 4 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ($2\times$ design)
- ▶ Continuously adjust beam overlaps in collision region, luminosity kept flat at optimal level

- Integrated luminosity (recorded)

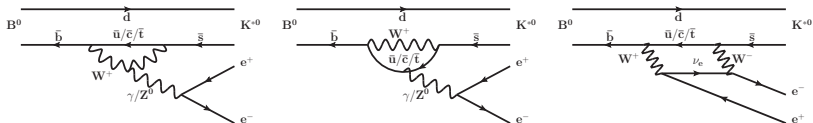
- ▶ 2012: 2 fb^{-1} @ $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$
- ▶ 2011: 1 fb^{-1} @ $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$
- ▶ 2010: 37 pb^{-1} @ $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$



Measurement of $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-)$ at low q^2
[LHCb-Paper-2013-005]

$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$, motivation

- FCNC process, sensitive to new physics beyond the SM



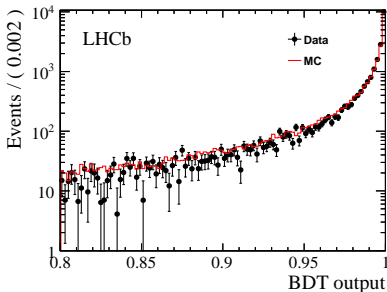
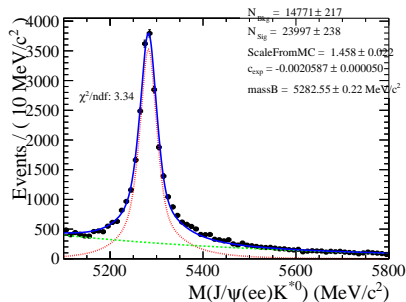
- At low $q^2 = M^2(e^+ e^-)$, dilepton more likely to come from virtual photon
- In the SM, photon predominantly left-handed, right-handed component is at the 5% level [Y. Grossman, D. Pirjol, JHEP 06 (2000) 029].
- $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$, compared to $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$
 - electron mass negligible, formalism simpler, and also have access to lower $q^2 \Rightarrow$ more sensitivity
 - muon, experimentally cleaner, more easy to trigger and select \Rightarrow more statistics

Measurement of $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-)$ at low q^2

- First step towards measuring photon polarization
- Choice of the q^2 region, $M(e^+ e^-)$ range 30 - 1000 MeV/c²
 - ▶ 30 MeV/c², the ϕ resolution degrades due to multiple scattering effects, and the contamination from $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \gamma$, with γ converted to $e^+ e^-$ increase significantly as $q^2 \rightarrow 0$.
 - ▶ 1 GeV/c², loss sensitivity to photon polarization, also want to stay far away from the J/ψ radiative tail
- Take $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi(e^+ e^-)$ as normalization channel, most of potentially large systematic uncertainties cancel
- Expected \mathcal{B}
 - ▶ Following [Y. Grossman, D. Pirjol, JHEP 06 (2000) 029], roughly,
$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-)_{30-1000 \text{ MeV}/c^2}$$
$$\sim \mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \gamma) \times \left(\frac{\alpha}{3\pi} \log \frac{1000^2}{30^2} \right) = 2.4 \times 10^{-7}$$
 - ▶ A recent calculation [S. Jager, J. Martin Camalich, arXiv:1212.2263] gives,
$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-)_{30-1000 \text{ MeV}/c^2} = 2.43_{-0.47}^{+0.66} \times 10^{-7}$$

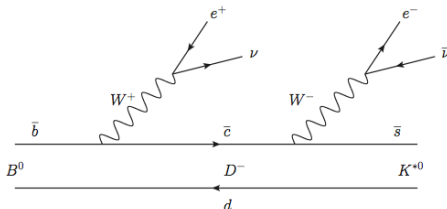
Event selection

- Loose pre-selection + BDT based selection
- BDT trained with simulated $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$ sample for signal, and upper mass sideband in data for background
- BDT responses in data and simulation for background subtracted $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi(e^+ e^-)$ candidates (using J/ψ mass constraint) agrees well

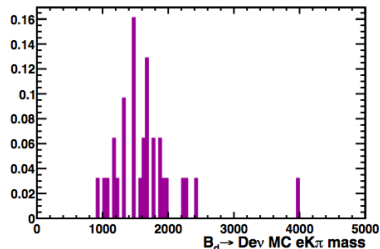
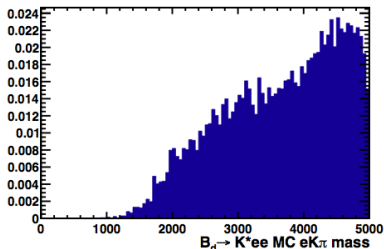


Specific backgrounds

- $B^0 \rightarrow D^- e^+ \nu$ ($\mathcal{B} : 2.2\%$), with $D^- \rightarrow K^{*0} e^- \bar{\nu}$ ($\mathcal{B} : 5.5\%$)

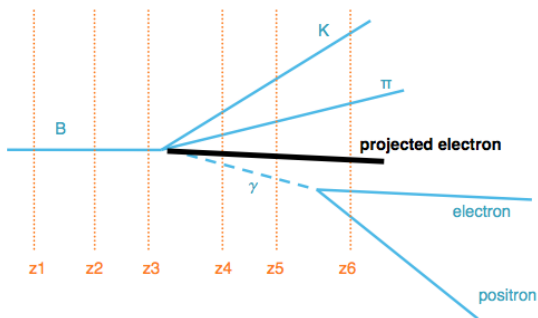


- Largely reduced by requiring $M(K^{*0} e^-) > 1.9 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



Specific backgrounds (cont.)

- $B^0 \rightarrow K^{0*} \gamma$ ($\mathcal{B}: 4.3 \times 10^{-5}$), peaks under the signal peak and populates the low $M(e^+ e^-)$ region
- $M(e^+ e^-) > 30 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ (and previous selections) kill a large fraction but more veto cuts still needed
 - ▶ Good vertex, $\sigma_{vtx}(e^+ e^-) < 30 \text{ mm}$
 - ▶ $|Z_{\text{FirstExpected}} - Z_{\text{FirstMeasurement}}| < 30 \text{ mm}$

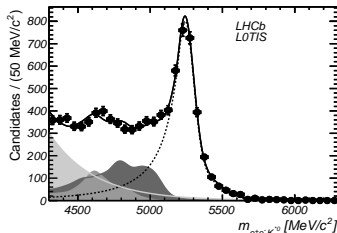
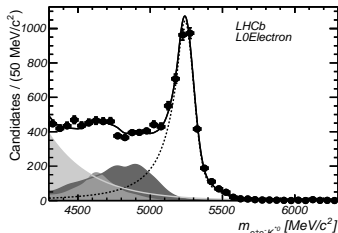
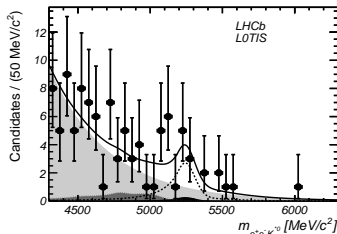
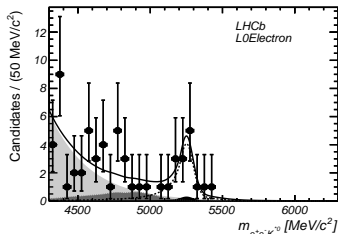


Fitting procedure

- Signal, sum of two Crystal Ball functions
 - ▶ Tail and resolution parameters from MC. The MC events reweighted to match relevant distributions in data
 - ▶ B mass and a scale factor accounting for different resolution in MC and data, float for $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi(e^+ e^-)$, then fixed for $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$
- Partially reconstructed backgrounds, shape from MC
 - ▶ Hadronic background, i.e., from higher K^* resonances, ratio to the number of signal float for $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi(e^+ e^-)$, then fixed for $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$
 - ▶ J/ψ background, i.e., from higher charmonium states, only for $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi(e^+ e^-)$, ratio float
- Combinatorial background, exponential function
- The way how events are triggered at L0 affects signal resolution, background rates. Events split into two categories:
 - ▶ L0TIS, events Triggered Independently of the Signal (TIS)
 - ▶ L0Electron, one of the electrons fired the L0 electron line (and not L0TIS)

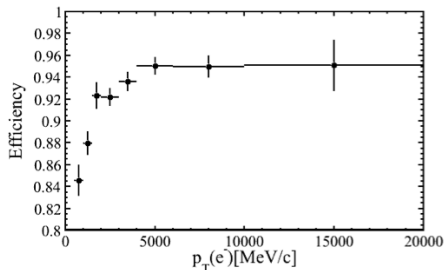
Signal yields

- $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$ (4.8 σ)
 L0Electron: $15.0^{+5.1}_{-4.5}$ (4.1 σ), LOTIS: $14.1^{+7.0}_{-6.3}$ (2.4 σ)
- $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi$, L0Electron: 5082 ± 104 , LOTIS: 4305 ± 101



Efficiencies

- PID efficiencies from calibration samples, e.g., $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$ using tag-and-probe method



- L0 efficiency from $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} J/\psi(e^+e^-)$
- The rest from simulated events

Systematic uncertainty

- Systematic uncertainties on $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-)$ (in 10^{-7})

Source	L0Electron category	L0TIS category
Simulation sample statistics	0.06	0.05
Trigger efficiency	0.07	-
PID efficiency	0.08	0.10
Fit procedure	+0.09 -0.22	+0.07 -0.23
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \gamma$ contamination	0.08	0.08
Total LHCb	+0.17 -0.26	+0.16 -0.27
$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0})$ and $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow e^+ e^-)$	0.21	0.17

Results and prospects

- Results of each trigger category:

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-)_{\text{LOElectron}}^{30-1000 \text{ MeV}/c^2} = (3.3_{-1.0}^{+1.1} {}_{-0.3}^{+0.2} \pm 0.2(\mathcal{B})) \times 10^{-7}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-)_{\text{LOTIS}}^{30-1000 \text{ MeV}/c^2} = (2.8_{-1.2}^{+1.4} {}_{-0.3}^{+0.2} \pm 0.2(\mathcal{B})) \times 10^{-7}$$

- Combined one

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-)^{30-1000 \text{ MeV}/c^2} = (3.1_{-0.8}^{+0.9} {}_{-0.3}^{+0.2} \pm 0.2(\mathcal{B})) \times 10^{-7}$$

consistent with theoretical prediction $(2.43_{-0.47}^{+0.66}) \times 10^{-7}$

[S. Jager, J. Martin Camalich, arXiv:1212.2263]

- Sensitivity to photon polarization

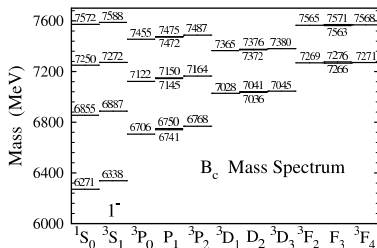
- With 2011+2012 data, about 100 signal events expected, statistical uncertainty on $\frac{A_R}{A_L}$ would be ~ 0.15 , according to

[J. Lefrancois, M-H. Schune, LHCb-PUB-2009-008]

B_c physics

B_c spectrum

- B_c : Mesons formed by two different heavy flavour quarks, the \bar{b} quark and the c quark *
 - ▶ Unique in the Standard Model because the top quark is too heavy and decays before forming any bound states
- B_c spectrum
 - ▶ Estimated using potential models
- B_c^+ mass
 - ▶ Potential models: $6.2\text{--}6.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
[CERN-2005-005], and refs. therein
 - ▶ pQCD: $6326^{+29}_{-9} \text{ MeV}/c^2$
N. Brambilla & A. Vairo, [PRD 62 (2000) 094019]
 - ▶ Lattice QCD: $6278(6)(4) \text{ MeV}/c^2$
TWQCD, [arXiv:0704.3495]
 - ▶ PDG'12: $6277 \pm 6 \text{ MeV}/c^2$



S. Godfrey, [PRD 70 (2004) 054017]

*Charge conjugates implied in this talk

B_c decays

- B_c mesons' decays

- Excited states (below BD threshold), decay through Strong or EM interactions into B_c^+
- Ground state B_c^+ : decay only weakly

- B_c^+ decay modes

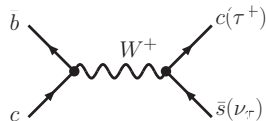
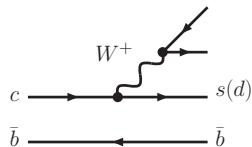
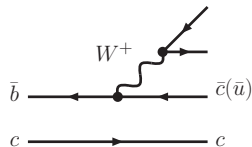
- $\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{c} W^+$ ($\sim 20\%$), e.g., $J/\psi(3)\pi$, $J/\psi D_s^+$, $J/\psi \ell^+ \nu_\ell$
- $c \rightarrow s W^+$ ($\sim 70\%$), e.g., $B_s^0 \pi^+$, $B_s^0 \ell^+ \nu_\ell$
- $c \bar{b} \rightarrow W^+$ ($\sim 10\%$), e.g., $\bar{K}^{*0} K^+$, ϕK^+ , $\tau^+ \nu_\tau$

- B_c^+ lifetime predictions

- Inclusive rates or \sum (exclusive rates)
- $\tau(B_c^+)_{\text{SR}} = 0.48 \pm 0.05 \text{ ps}$

V. V. Kiselev, *et al.*, [NPB 585 (2000) 353]

- PDG'12: $0.453 \pm 0.041 \text{ ps}$



B_c production

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- ▶ Difficult to generate at e^+e^- colliders
- ▶ At hadron colliders, B_c generated mainly through $gg \rightarrow B_c + b + \bar{c}$

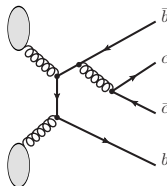
- B_c^+ production rate

- ▶ Theoretical prediction (in nb) C.-H.Chang, *et al.*, [PRD 71 (2005) 074012]

-	$ (^1S_0)_1\rangle$	$ (^3S_1)_1\rangle$	$ (^1S_0)_{8g}\rangle$	$ (^3S_1)_{8g}\rangle$	$ (^1P_1)_1\rangle$	$ (^3P_0)_1\rangle$	$ (^3P_1)_1\rangle$	$ (^3P_2)_1\rangle$
LHC [†]	71.1	177.	(0.357, 3.21)	(1.58, 14.2)	9.12	3.29	7.38	20.4
TEVATRON	5.50	13.4	(0.0284, 0.256)	(0.129, 1.16)	0.655	0.256	0.560	1.35

- ★ $\sigma(^3S_1)/\sigma(^1S_0) \sim 2.5$
- ★ Colour octets and 1st P -wave contributions are small
- ★ $\sigma(B_c^+)_{\text{LHC}}/\sigma(B_c^+)_{\text{Tevatron}} \sim \mathcal{O}(10)$
- ▶ $\sigma(2S)/\sigma(1S)$ would be $|R_{2S}(0)/R_{1S}(0)|^2 \approx 0.6$
- ▶ Including contributions of these states,
 $\sigma(B_c^+) \sim 0.9 \mu\text{b}$ for $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$; or $\sim 0.4 \mu\text{b}$ for $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$
 - ★ $\sim 10\%$ from 1st P -wave states
 - ★ $\sim 1/3$ from $2S$ states

[†] $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$



Experimental status, mass and lifetime

- Mass and lifetime

Collab.	\mathcal{L} [fb $^{-1}$]	Mode	Signal yields	Mass [MeV/ c^2]	Lifetime [ps]
CDF	0.11	$J/\psi \ell^+ \nu$	$20.4^{+6.2}_{-5.5}$	$6400 \pm 390 \pm 130$	$0.46^{+0.18}_{-0.16} \pm 0.03$
D0	0.21	$J/\psi \mu^+ X$	$95 \pm 12 \pm 11$	$5950^{+140}_{-130} \pm 340$	$0.45^{+0.12}_{-0.10} \pm 0.12$
CDF	0.36	$J/\psi \pi^+$	14.6 ± 4.6	$6285.7 \pm 5.3 \pm 1.2$	—
CDF	0.36	$J/\psi e^+ \nu_e$	238	—	$0.463^{+0.073}_{-0.065} \pm 0.036$
CDF	2.4	$J/\psi \pi^+$	108 ± 15	$6275.6 \pm 2.9 \pm 2.5$	—
D0	1.3	$J/\psi \pi^+$	54 ± 12	$6300 \pm 14 \pm 5$	—
D0	1.3	$J/\psi \mu^+ X$	881 ± 80	—	$0.448^{+0.038}_{-0.036} \pm 0.032$
CDF	1.0	$J/\psi \ell^+ \nu$	—	—	$0.475^{+0.053}_{-0.049} \pm 0.018$
CDF	6.7	$J/\psi \pi^+$	308 ± 39	$(6274.6 \pm 2.9)^{\ddagger}$	$0.452 \pm 0.048 \pm 0.027$
LHCb	0.37	$J/\psi \pi^+$	179 ± 17	$6273.7 \pm 1.3 \pm 1.6$	—

\ddagger fit value

Experimental status, production

● Production

Collab.	\mathcal{L} [fb $^{-1}$]	Signal yields	Result
CDF	0.11	$20.4^{+6.2}_{-5.5}$	$\frac{\sigma(B_c^+) \times \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \ell^+ \nu)}{\sigma(B^+) \times \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+)}$ $= 0.132^{+0.041}_{-0.037} (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.031 (\text{syst.})^{+0.032}_{-0.020} (\text{lifetime})$ <p>for $p_T(B) > 6 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $y < 1$</p>
CDF†	1.0	—	$\frac{\sigma(B_c^+) \times \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \mu^+ \nu)}{\sigma(B^+) \times \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+)}$ $= 0.227 \pm 0.033 (\text{stat.})^{+0.024}_{-0.017} (\text{syst.}) \pm 0.014 (p_T \text{ spect.})$ <p>for $p_T(B) > 6 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $y < 1$</p>
LHCb	0.37	162 ± 18	$\frac{\sigma(B_c^+) \times \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+)}{\sigma(B^+) \times \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+)}$ $= (0.68 \pm 0.10 (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.03 (\text{syst.}) \pm 0.05 (\text{lifetime})) \%$ <p>for $p_T(B) > 4 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $2.5 < \eta(B) < 4.5$</p>

†: preliminary

Experimental status, decay

• Decay

Collab.	\mathcal{L} [fb $^{-1}$]	Mode	Signal yields	Result
LHCb	0.8	$J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$	135 ± 14	$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+)}$ $= 2.41 \pm 0.30 (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.33 (\text{syst.})$
LHCb	1.0	$\psi(2S) \pi^+$	20 ± 5	$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow \psi(2S) \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+)}$ $= 0.250 \pm 0.068 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.014 (\text{syst}) \pm 0.006 (\mathcal{B})$
LHCb	1.0			$f_c/f_u \cdot \mathcal{B}(B_c \rightarrow X) @ 90\% \text{ CL}$
		$D_s^+ \phi$	0	$< 0.8 \times 10^{-6}$
		$D^+ K^{*0}$	1	$< 0.5 \times 10^{-6}$
		$D^+ \bar{K}^{*0}$	0	$< 0.4 \times 10^{-6}$
		$D_s^+ K^{*0}$	0	$< 0.7 \times 10^{-6}$
		$D_s^+ \bar{K}^{*0}$	1	$< 1.1 \times 10^{-6}$

Measurement of B_c^+ production

[PRL 109 (2012) 232001]

Measurement of B_c^+ production

- Based on 0.37 fb^{-1} of data taken in 2011, we measured

$$\begin{aligned} R_{c/u} &= \frac{\sigma(B_c^+) \times \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+)}{\sigma(B^+) \times \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+)} \\ &= \frac{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+)}{\epsilon_{\text{tot}}^c} \times \frac{\epsilon_{\text{tot}}^u}{N(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+)} \\ &= \frac{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+)}{N(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+)} \times \epsilon_{\text{tot}}^{\text{rel}}, \end{aligned}$$

for $p_T(B) > 4 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $2.5 < \eta(B) < 4.5$

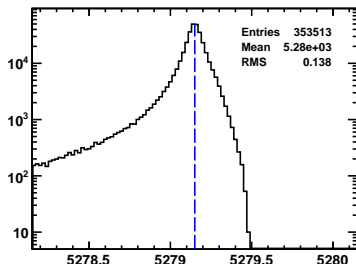
- Cut based selection, as similar as possible for B_c^+ and B^+

Signal line shape

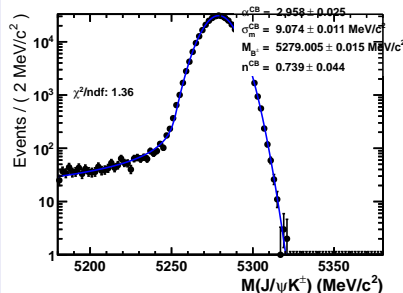
- Studied using $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$ generator level events
- While ignoring the J/ψ FSR, i.e., take true J/ψ momentum, signal well described by Crystal ball function:

$$CB(m|M, \sigma, \alpha, n) = \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{(m-M)^2}{2\sigma^2}}, & \text{if } \alpha \frac{m-M}{\sigma} \geq -\alpha^2 \\ \frac{(\frac{n}{|\alpha|})^n e^{-\alpha^2/2}}{(\frac{n}{|\alpha|} - |\alpha| - \frac{\alpha}{|\alpha|} \cdot \frac{m-M}{\sigma})^n} & \text{for the other cases} \end{cases}$$

True $J/\psi K^+$ mass



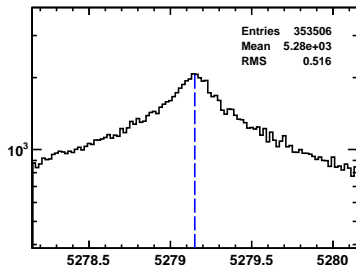
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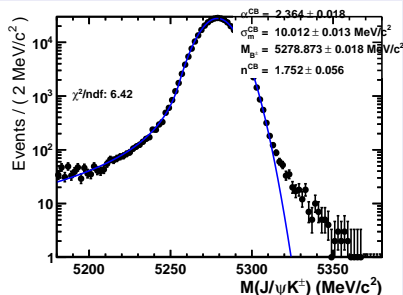
Signal line shape (cont.)

- J/ψ FSR and mass constraint vertex fit cause tail on the right side

True $\mu^+\mu^-K^+$ mass



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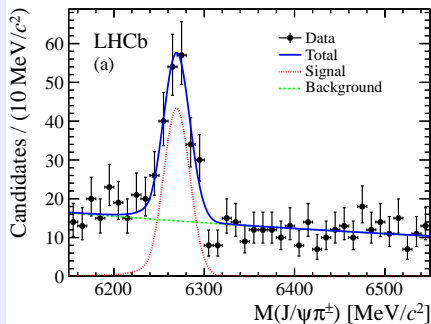
- A double-sided Crystal ball function used as signal line shape, tail parameters parametrized as function of fitted mass resolutions.

Signal yields

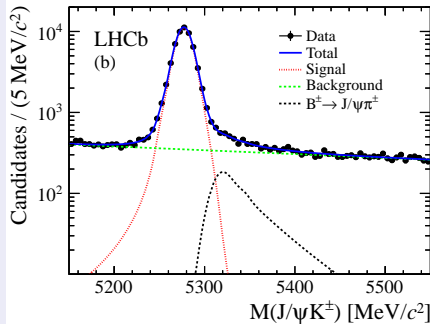
- B_c^+ , a double-sided CB, $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$ ignored
- B^+ , two double-sided CB, $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+$ considered, and ratio to the number of signal fixed to 0.38%, as measured by LHCb

[PRD 85 (2012) 091105]

B_c^+ , 162 ± 18



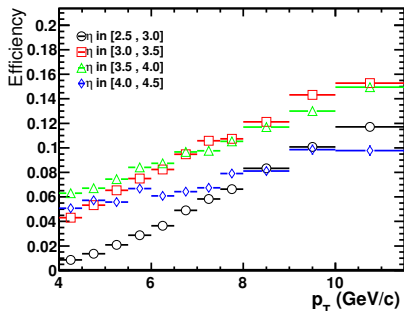
B^+ , 56243 ± 256



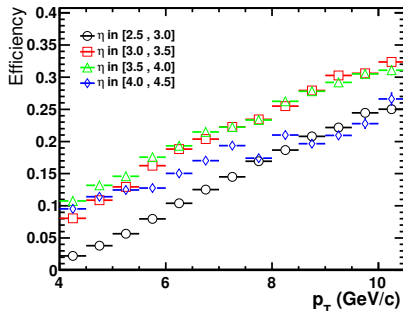
Efficiencies in bins of (p_T, η)

- $R_{c/u}$ would be biased if the predicted (p_T, η) distributions different from those in data while using the overall (relative) efficiency
- To reduce the dependence on theoretical predictions, efficiencies binned in (p_T, η) , signal yields in each bin obtained using sPlot
- Model independent $R_{c/u} = (0.68 \pm 0.10)\%$

B_c^+



B^+



Systematic uncertainties

Quantity	Systematic uncertainty (%)
Fit model	1.0
Cabbibo suppressed background	negligible
Selection	negligible
B_c^+ lifetime	7.3
GEC	negligible
Trigger	4.4
Tracking	negligible
Nuclear interaction	2.0
Weight procedure	negligible
Total	8.8

Results

- First measurement at 7 TeV, to guide B_c studies at LHC

$$R_{c/u} = (0.68 \pm 0.10 (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.03 (\text{syst.}) \pm 0.05 (\text{lifetime}))\%$$

for $p_T(B) > 4 \text{ GeV}/c$ and $2.5 < \eta(B) < 4.5$

- Comparison with theoretical prediction, taking
 - ▶ $\sigma(B_c^+) = 0.4 \text{ } \mu\text{b}$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+) = 0.29\%$, C.-F. Qiao *et al.*, [[arXiv:1209.5859](#)]
 - ▶ $\sigma(B^+, p_T(B) < 40 \text{ GeV}/c, 2.0 < y < 4.5) = 41.4 \pm 1.5 \pm 3.1 \text{ } \mu\text{b}$, measured by LHCb [[JHEP 04 \(2012\) 093](#)]
 - ▶ $\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+) = (0.1016 \pm 0.0033)\%$, PDG'12

and the efficiencies of acceptance from Monte Carlo, we obtain

$$R_{c/u}^{\text{Theo.}} = 0.56$$

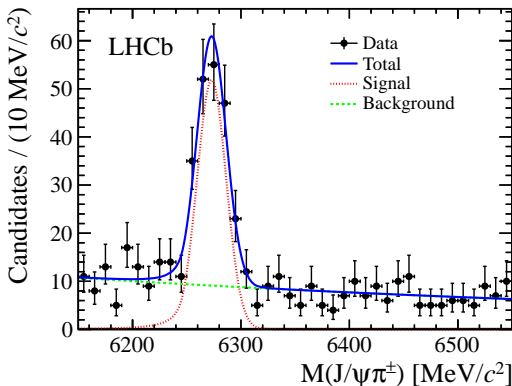
before considering theoretical uncertainties.

Measurement of B_c^+ mass

[PRL 109 (2012) 232001]

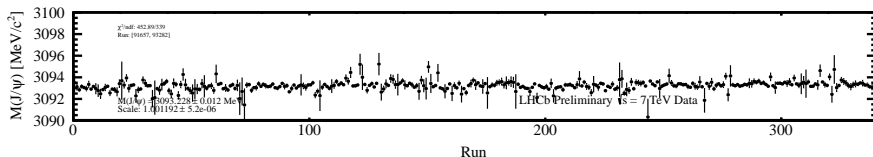
Measurement of B_c^\pm mass

- Based on 0.37 fb^{-1} 2011 data
- Selection almost the same as that used for production measurement, except
 - ▶ Trigger and η requirements removed
 - ▶ PID cut added to reduce contamination of $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$
 - ▶ $\sigma_m(B_c) < 20 \text{ MeV}/c^2$



Calibration of momentum scale

- Momentum scale calibrated with J/ψ run by run, split into 5 run periods, e.g.,



- Momentum scale verified with K_S^0 , Υ , difference between J/ψ and Υ , 0.06% taken as systematic uncertainty

Systematic uncertainties

- Also measured the mass difference with respect to B^+ , $\Delta M = M(B_c^+) - M(B^+)$, systematic uncertainties evaluated in the same way
- Summary of systematic uncertainties (in MeV/c^2)

Source of uncertainty	$M(B_c^+)$	ΔM
Mass fitting:		
– Signal model	0.1	0.1
– Background model	0.3	0.2
Momentum scale:		
– Average momentum scale	1.4	0.5
– η dependence	0.3	0.1
Detector description:		
– Energy loss correction	0.1	-
Detector alignment:		
– Vertex detector (track slopes)	0.1	-
– Tracking stations	0.6	0.3
Quadratic sum	1.6	0.6

Results, world best to date

- Mass $M(B_c^+) = 6273.7 \pm 1.3 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 1.6 \text{ (syst.) MeV}/c^2$

- Mass difference

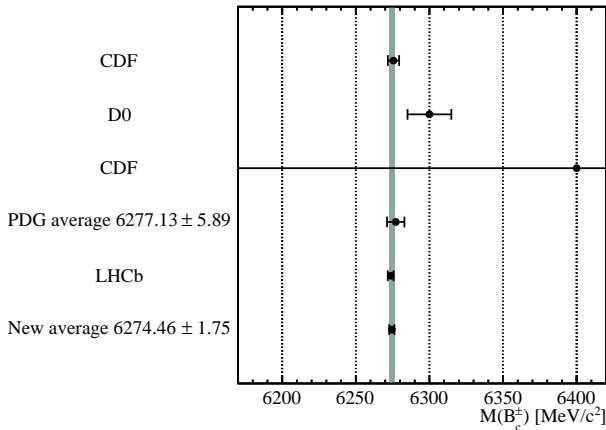
$$\Delta M = M(B_c^+) - M(B^+) = 994.6 \pm 1.3 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.6 \text{ (syst.) MeV}/c^2.$$

Taking the world average B^+ mass $(5279.25 \pm 0.17) \text{ MeV}/c^2$, we obtain,

$$M(B_c^+) = 6273.9 \pm 1.3 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.6 \text{ (syst.) MeV}/c^2$$

New world average

- LHCb result in good agreement with previous measurements and theoretical prediction, $6278(6)(4) \text{ MeV}/c^2$ TWQCD, [arXiv:0704.3495]



First observation of $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$
[PRL 108 (2012) 251802]

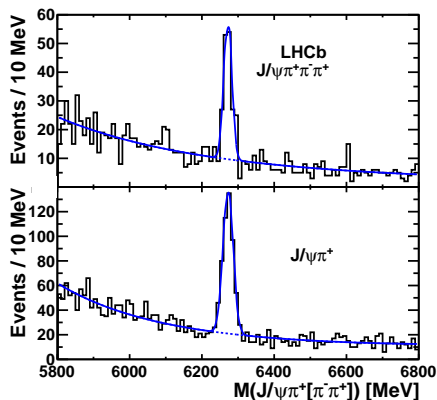
First observation of $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$

- Based on $\sim 0.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ data collected in 2011
- Cut based pre-selection + S/B likelihood-ratio discrimination
- Use $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- K^+$ as control channel
- Measured

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+)} = \frac{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+)}{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+)} \times \epsilon_{\text{tot}}^{\text{rel}}$$

Signal yields

- $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$, 135 ± 14 , first observation
- $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+$, 414 ± 25



Ratio of branching fractions

- Total efficiencies computed from MC.
- Systematic uncertainties
 - Signal yields
 - ★ Signal and background line shapes, 3%
 - Efficiencies
 - ★ Decay model, 9%
 - ★ Tracking efficiency, 5%
 - ★ B_c^+ lifetime, 4%
 - ★ Trigger efficiency, 4%

- Results

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+)} = 2.41 \pm 0.30(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.33(\text{syst.})$$

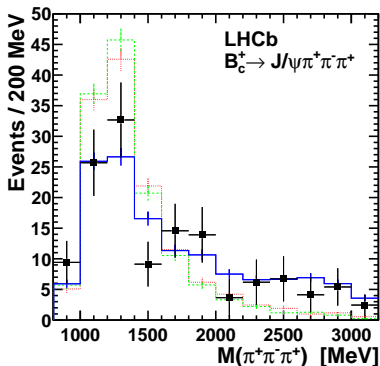
Theoretical predictions:

- ~ 1.5 by A. Rakitin & S. Koshkarev, [[PRD 81 \(2010\) 014005](#)]
- ~ 2.3 by A. K. Likhoded & A. V. Luchinsky, [[PRD 81 \(2010\) 014015](#)]

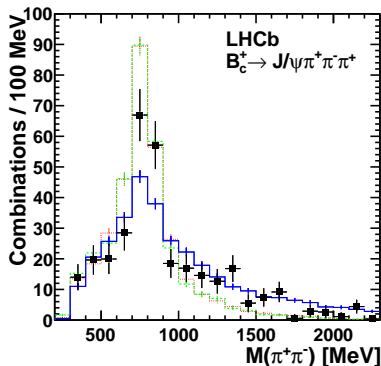
$M(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+)$ & $M(\pi^+\pi^-)$ distributions of B_c^+ signal

- Background subtracted invariant mass distributions (points with error bars) of $M(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+)$ & $M(\pi^+\pi^-)$ consistent with $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi a_1^+(1260)$, with virtual $a_1^+(1260) \rightarrow \rho^0 \pi^+$ decay model [PRD 81 (2010) 014015] [arXiv:1104.0808] used in MC (blue line)

$M(\pi^+\pi^-\pi^+)$



$M(\pi^+\pi^-)$



First observation of $B_c^+ \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+$

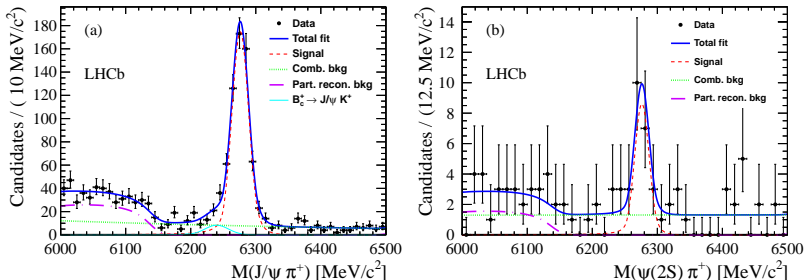
First observation of $B_c^+ \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+$

- Based on $\sim 1.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ data collected in 2011
- Cut based pre-selection + BDT
- Use $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+$ as control channel
- Measured

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+)} = \frac{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+)}{N(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+)} \times \epsilon_{\text{tot}}^{\text{rel}}$$

Results

- Signal yield, $B^+ \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+$, 20 ± 5 (5.2σ), **first observation**



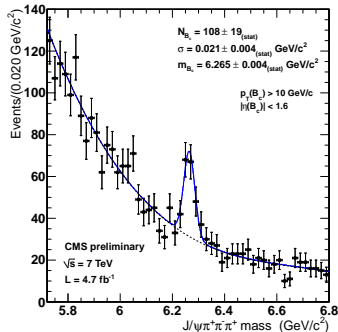
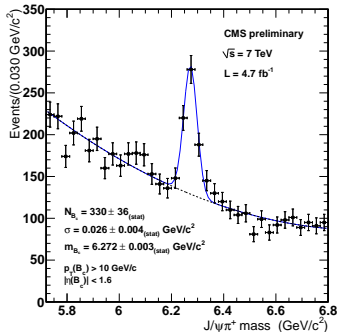
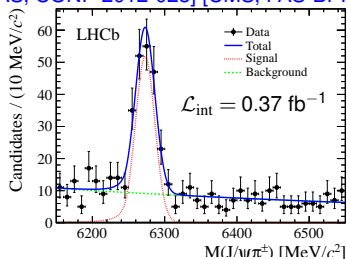
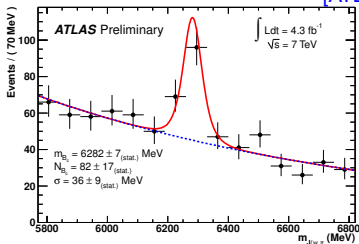
- Results

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+)} = 0.250 \pm 0.068 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.014 (\text{syst}) \pm 0.006 (\mathcal{B})$$

consistent with theoretical prediction, in a range of 0.13-0.42.

B_c^+ signals from other experiments at LHC

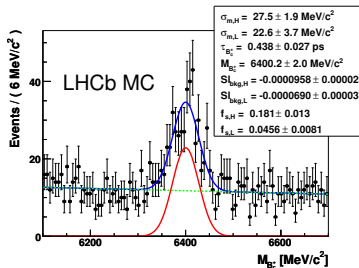
[ATLAS, CONF-2012-028] [CMS, PAS-BPH-11-003]



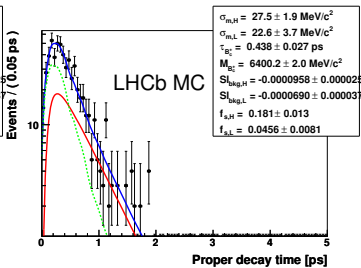
Prospects

Prospects: Lifetime measurement with $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+$

- Based on MC studies [[CERN-LHCb-2008-077](#)]
- Acceptance determined from MC, two $p_T(B_c^+)$ bins
(5-12, > 12 GeV/c) to reduce dependence on $p_T(B_c^+)$ distribution.
- **Statistical uncertainty below 30 fs** achievable with 1 fb^{-1} of data
- Plots in high p_T bin:



(a) Mass



(b) t in signal region

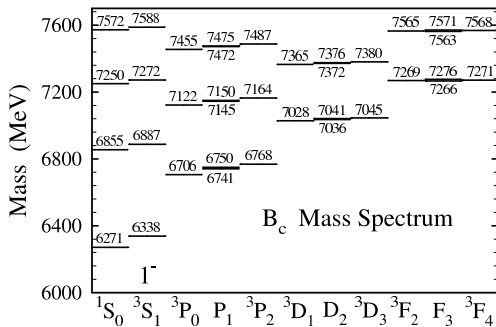
- Will also try data-driven method to determine acceptance
[[CERN-LHCb-2007-053](#)]

- $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu^+\mu^-)\mu^+\nu_\mu$, compared to $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+$
 - ▶ Pro
 - ★ Larger branching ratio, $\sim 1.9\%$
 - ★ 3 μ in the final states, easier (relatively) to reduce background
Lifetime unbiased selection would be possible
 - ▶ Contra
 - ★ Missing energy caused by neutrino, partially reconstructed. Not easy to use MC-free method to estimate background.
 - ★ Need MC to correct the missing energy while calculating the lifetime
- Tight J/ψ selection, and a tight p_T cut on the bachelor μ .
- Expect ~ 5 k reconstructed $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi(\mu^+\mu^-)\mu^+\nu_\mu$ from 1 fb^{-1} of data @ $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$, analysis ongoing to measure B_c^+ lifetime

- B_c^+ production
 - ▶ Measuring differential cross-section down to zero $p_T(B)$, with 2012 data ($\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV)
- B_c^+ mass,
 - ▶ Updating with all 2011+2012 data
 - ▶ **Statistical uncertainty below $0.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$** , better understanding of momentum scale to control systematic uncertainty
- In the pipeline, $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+$, $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+$
- $B_c^+ \rightarrow B_s^0 \pi^+$
 - ▶ Self-tagged channel
 - ▶ With $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$ or $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s \pi$
 - ▶ Analysis with 2011+2012 data ongoing
- Annihilation
 - ▶ Possible channel, e.g, $B_c^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^{*0} K^+$, $\mathcal{B} \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$, c.f., S. Descotes-Genon, et al., [\[PRD 80, 114031 \(2009\)\]](#)

Prospects, search for excited states

- $B_c^{*+} \rightarrow B_c^+ \gamma$, very soft photon, difficult for LHCb
- 1st P -wave states, small cross-section, mass difference among four states are small, need more data
- 2S states, analysis with 2011+2012 data ongoing
 - ▶ $B_c(2^1S_0) \rightarrow B_c^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$
 - ▶ $B_c(2^3S_1) \rightarrow B_c^{*+}(B_c^+ \gamma) \pi^+ \pi^-$, when photon is missing, invariant mass peak shifted down by $M(B_c^{*+}) - M(B_c^+)$ but not washed out



Summary

- $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-$
 - ▶ LHCb performed the 1st measurement of $\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} e^+ e^-)$ at low $M(e^+ e^-)$
 - ▶ Angular analysis with all 2011+2012 to measure photon polarization is ongoing
- B_c physics
 - ▶ LHCb performed the world-best measurements of B_c^+ production and mass, and observed $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+, \psi(2S) \pi^+$ for the first time
 - ▶ Lifetime measurements, observation of several new B_c^+ decay modes are in the pipeline
 - ▶ Production and mass measurements are being updated, search for new decay modes and excited states are ongoing