

# *B*-hadron production with the ATLAS experiment

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# Overview

## Outline of this talk:

- ▶ Introduction
- ▶ ATLAS detector
- ▶ *Observation of an excited  $B_c^\pm$  meson state*  
[Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 212004 \(2014\) \(arXiv:1407.1032\)](#)
- ▶ *Study of  $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+$  and  $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}$  decays*  
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- ▶ Summary and future plans

**Presented studies use  $pp$  collisions data collected by the ATLAS experiment at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  and 8 TeV at LHC in 2011 and 2012**

**See also:** talk by Tamsin Nooney on *New physics searches with  $B$  mesons at the ATLAS experiment*

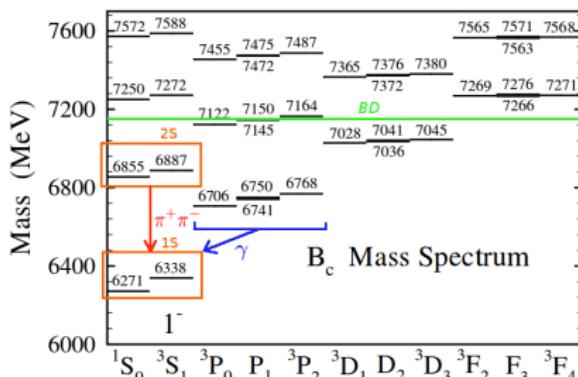
## Introduction

## Excited $B_c^\pm$ meson state

- ▶ The  $B_c^\pm$  ( $c\bar{b}$ ) production at LHC via  $gg \rightarrow B_c^{(*)\pm} + b + \bar{c}$  (arXiv:hep-ph/0412158)
  - ▶ Below  $\textcolor{blue}{BD}$  threshold only radiative or hadronic transitions  $\rightarrow$  rich spectroscopy
  - ▶ Production of  $B_c^\pm$  at LHC:  $\mathcal{O}(10^9)$  for 100  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  (Phys. Rev. D 70 (2004) 054017)
  - ▶ Study  $B_c^\pm$  spectroscopy with ATLAS

**The  $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+$  and  $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}$  decays**

- ▶ Many possible decay modes of  $c$ 
    - $c \rightarrow s(d)$
    - $\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{c}(\bar{u})$
    - $c\bar{b} \rightarrow W^*$
  - ▶ Yet only few observed
  - ▶ Important probe for QCD



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Mode	Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )	Confidence level
The following quantities are not pure branching ratios; rather the fraction $\Gamma_i/\Gamma \times B(b - B_c)$ .		
1 $J/\psi(1S)\ell^+\nu_\ell$ anything	(5.2 $\begin{array}{l} +2.4 \\ -2.1 \end{array}$ ) $\times 10^{-5}$	
2 $J/\psi(1S)\pi^+$	seen	
3 $J/\psi(1S)K^+$	seen	
4 $J/\psi(1S)\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$	seen	
5 $J/\psi(1S)a_1(1260)$	< 1.2	$\times 10^{-3}$
6 $J/\psi(1S)K^+K^-\pi^+$	seen	90%
7 $\psi(2S)\pi^+$	seen	
8 $J/\psi(1S)D_s^+$	seen	
$J/\psi(1S)\pi^+$	seen	

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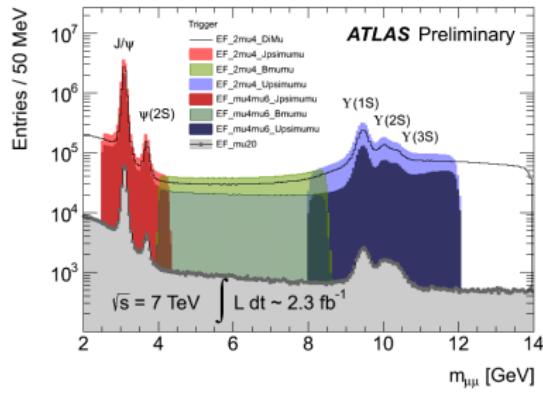
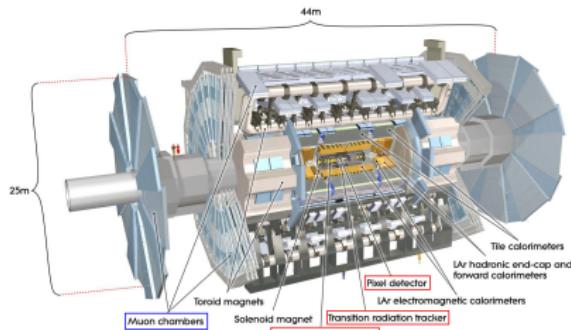
# ATLAS detector

## ATLAS detector

- ▶ Multipurpose, sensitive to wide range of physics problems
- ▶ Heavy flavour  $\rightarrow J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  selection

## Relevant subsystems:

- ▶ **Inner detector (ID)**
  - 2T solenoid magnetic field
  - Pixel, silicon strip (SCT), transition radiation tracker (TRT)
  - Tracking, di-muon vertexing
- ▶ **Muon Spectrometer (MS)**
  - Tracking chambers, detectors for triggering
  - Triggering, momentum measurement
- ▶ **Muon trigger**
  - Single, di-muon
  - Different  $p_T$  thresholds (4, 6 GeV)



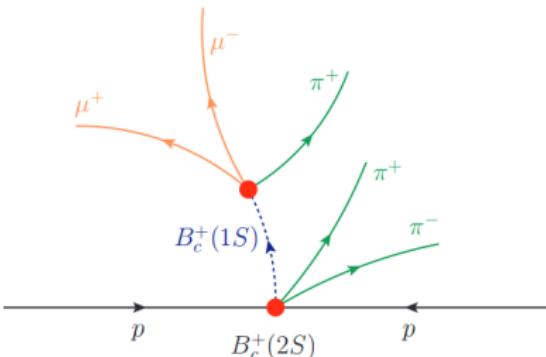
# Excited $B_c^+$ meson state - Introduction

## Introduction

- ▶ The  $B_c^+$  observed by many experiments (CDF, D0, LHCb and ATLAS)
- ▶ Excited  $B_c^+$  state previously not observed
  - $B_c^+(1P) \rightarrow B_c^+(1S) + \gamma$  ( $\sim 500$  MeV)
  - $B_c^+(2S_0) \rightarrow B_c^+(1S_0) + \pi^+ \pi^-$
  - $B_c^+(2S_1) \rightarrow B_c^+(1S_1) + \pi^+ \pi^-$  with  
 $B_c^+(1S_1) \rightarrow B_c^+(1S_0) + \gamma$  ( $\sim 70$  MeV)
- ▶ Spectrum and properties of  $B_c^+$  predicted by nonrelativistic potential models, perturbative QCD and lattice calculations
- ▶ Mass predictions for  $B_c^+(2S)$ : 6835-6917 MeV (see backup)

## Analysis overview

- ▶ Data samples for 2011 and 2012:  $4.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  ( $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ ) and  $19.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  ( $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ )
- ▶ The  $B_c^+(2S)$  state reconstructed in the decay to  $B_c^+(1S) + \pi^+ \pi^-$



- ▶ Ground state reconstructed in  $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+$  with  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$
- ▶ Selection optimized by maximizing  $S/\sqrt{S+B}$  on simulations (bkg.: exclusive  $B_c^+$  decays +  $b\bar{b} \rightarrow J/\psi X$ )
- ▶ Peaks sought in distribution of  $Q = m(B_c^\pm \pi\pi) - m(B_c^\pm) - 2m(\pi^\pm)$

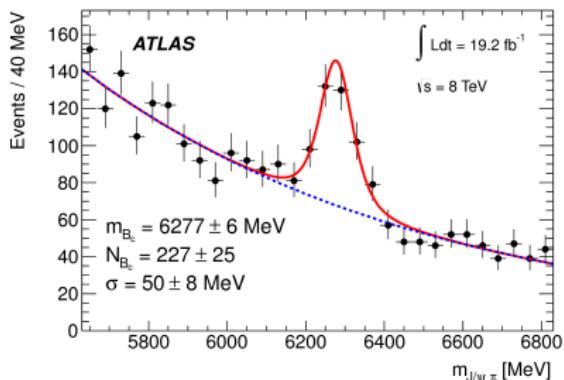
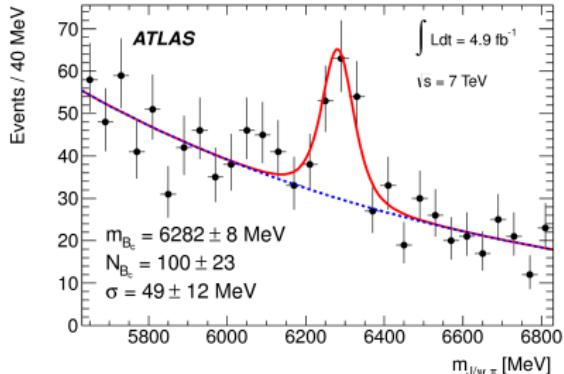
# Excited $B_c^+$ meson state - Analysis

## $B_c^+(1S)$ selection for 2011 (2012) data

- ▶ Muon  $p_T(\mu_1, \mu_2) > 6, 4$  GeV
- ▶  $J/\psi$  vertex fit  $\chi^2/NDOF < 15$  and  $m_{J/\psi}$  within  $\pm 3\sigma$  ( $\sigma$  depends on muon  $\eta$ )
- ▶  $B_c^\pm$  reconstructed by fitting two muons with a pion
- ▶  $p_T(\pi) > 4$  GeV
- ▶  $d_0/\sigma(d_0)/ > 5$  (4.5)
- ▶  $J/\psi\pi^+$  vertex fit  $\chi^2/NDOF < 2$  (1.5)
- ▶  $p_T(B_c^\pm) > 15$  (18) GeV

## Unbinned ML fit

- ▶ Signal modelled with Gaussian and background with exponential function
- ▶ Fit in 5620-6820 MeV range
- ▶  $B_c^+(1S)$  mass consistent with world average



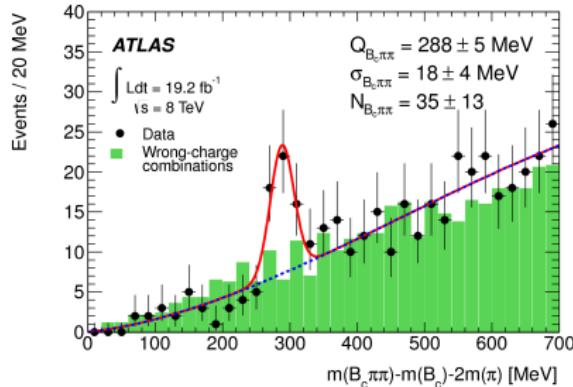
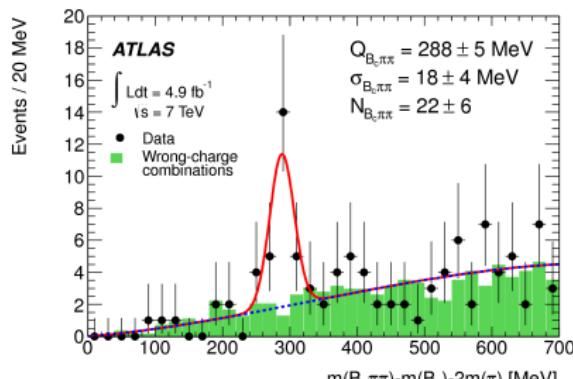
# Excited $B_c^+$ meson state - Analysis

## $B_c^+(2S) \rightarrow B_c^+(1S)\pi^+\pi^-$ selection

- ▶ Reconstruction of  $B_c^+(2S)$  uses  $B_c^+(1S)$  within  $\pm 3\sigma$  of the fitted mass
- ▶ Add two pions having  $p_T(\pi) > 400$  MeV
- ▶ Simultaneous cascade vertex fit of  $\mu^+\mu^-\pi^+$  and  $\pi^+\pi^-$  tracks
- ▶ If multiple  $B_c^+(2S)$  choose with best cascade vertex fit  $\chi^2$
- ▶ Keep **wrong-charge** ( $B^\pm\pi^\pm\pi^\pm$ ) combinations

## ML fit to $Q = m(B_c^\pm\pi\pi) - m(B_c^\pm) - 2m(\pi^\pm)$ distribution

- ▶ Peaking structure: Gaussian
- ▶ Background: 3rd order polynomial
- ▶ **Wrong-charge** combinations used to verify the background shape



# Excited $B_c^+$ meson state - Results

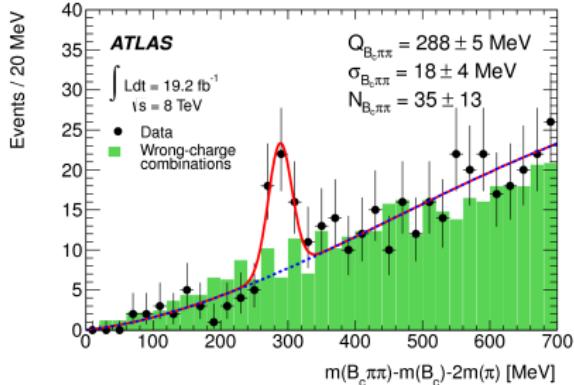
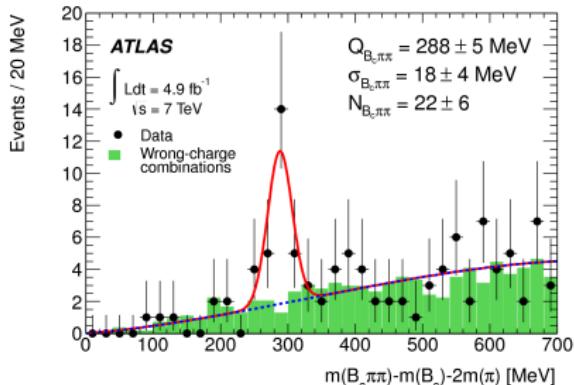
- ▶ Uncertainty on  $B_c^\pm(2S)$  mass dominated by the fitting procedure
- ▶ The significance of a structure evaluated with pseudoexperiments (including look-elsewhere effect)

## Results

- ▶  $3.7\sigma$  ( $4.5\sigma$ ) in the 7 (8) TeV data
- ▶ Total significance:  $5.2\sigma$  (local  $5.4\sigma$ )
- ▶ A new state is observed at  $Q = 288.3 \pm 3.5 \pm 4.1$  MeV (error weighted mean of 7 TeV and 8 TeV values)
- ▶ Corresponds to a mass of  $6842 \pm 4 \pm 5$  MeV

## Summary

- ▶ The mass of the observed resonance consistent with the predicted mass of the  $B_c^\pm(2S)$  state



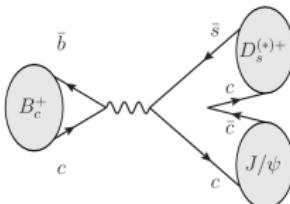
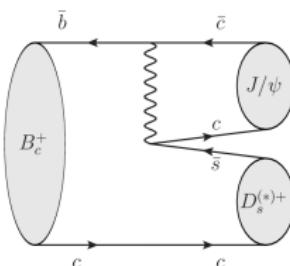
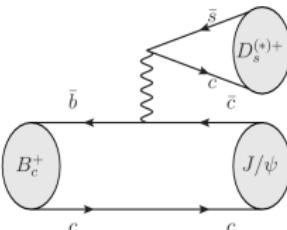
# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ - Introduction

## Introduction

- ▶ The  $B_c^+$  consists of two heavy quarks → affects theoretical predictions of  $B_c^+$  decay properties
- ▶ For  $\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{c}c\bar{s}$ , decays to charmonium and  $D_s^{(*)+}$  occur via color-suppressed (allowed) and annihilation diagrams
- ▶ Latter not suppressed → can contribute significantly to decay amplitudes
- ▶  $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$  properties addressed by various models (see backup)

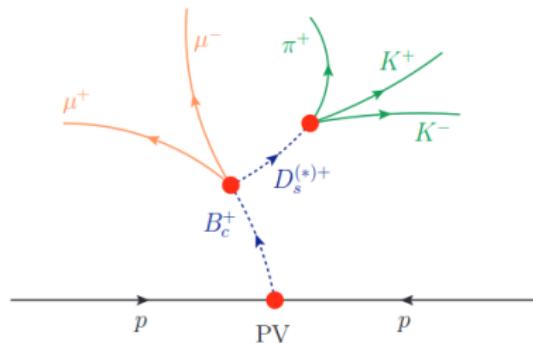
## Analysis overview

- ▶ Combined data sample:  $4.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  ( $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ ) and  $19.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  ( $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ )
- ▶  $B_c^+$  decays into vector-vector yielding 3 helicity final states ( $A_{++}$ ,  $A_{--}$ ,  $A_{00}$ )
- ▶  $A_{\pm\pm}$  and  $A_{00}$  have slightly different kinematics → different  $J/\psi D_s^+$  mass shape  
→ can be distinguished in the mass fit



# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ - Introduction

- ▶  $D_s^{*+}$  decays into  $D_s^+$  plus  $\gamma/\pi^0$  (no  $\gamma/\pi^0$  reconstruction attempt)
- ▶ The  $D_s^+$  reconstructed via  $D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi(K^+K^-)\pi^+$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$
- ▶  $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+$  used as a reference channel



- ▶ Measurements of the ratios of  $\mathcal{B}$ s:

- $\mathcal{R}_{D_s^+/\pi^+} = \mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+}/\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+}$
- $\mathcal{R}_{D_s^{*+}/\pi^+} = \mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}}/\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+}$
- $\mathcal{R}_{D_s^{*+}/D_s^+} = \mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}}/\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+}$

- ▶ Fraction of transverse polarization:

$$\frac{\Gamma_{\pm\pm}}{\Gamma} = \frac{\Gamma_{\pm\pm}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+})}{\Gamma(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+})}$$

# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ - Analysis

## $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ candidate selection

### $J/\psi$ and $D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi(K^+K^-)\pi^+$ selection:

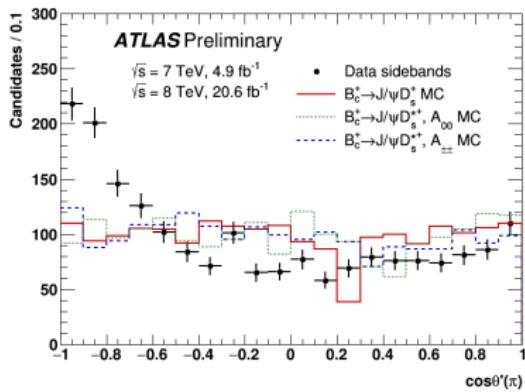
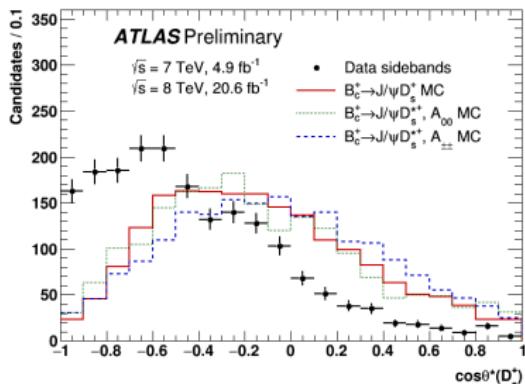
- $p_T(\mu^\pm) > 3 \text{ GeV}, |\eta(\mu^\pm)| < 2.3$
- $p_T(K, \pi) > 1 \text{ GeV}, |\eta(K, \pi)| < 2.5$
- $m(K^+K^-)$ :  $\pm 7 \text{ MeV}$  around  $m(\phi)$
- $1.93 < m(K^+K^-\pi^+) < 2.01 \text{ GeV}$

### $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ selection:

- $\cos\theta^* > -0.8$  (angle between  $D_s^+$  momentum in  $B_c^+$  rest frame and  $B_c^+$  line of flight in the lab. frame)
- $\cos\theta' > -0.8$  (angle between the pion and the  $J/\psi$  in  $D_s^+$  rest frame)
- Remove candidates with  $5.34 < m_{refit}(J/\psi\phi) < 5.4 \text{ GeV}$

### $J/\psi$ and $D_s^+$ candidates are combined and a cascade vertex fit is performed:

- Secondary vertex ( $B_c^+$  and  $J/\psi$  decay)
- Tertiary vertex ( $D_s^+$  decay)



# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ - Analysis

## $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ candidate fit

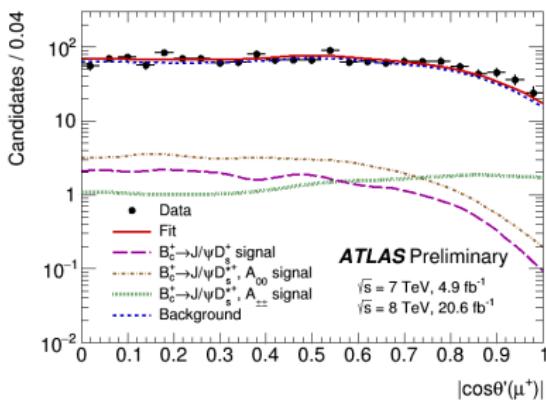
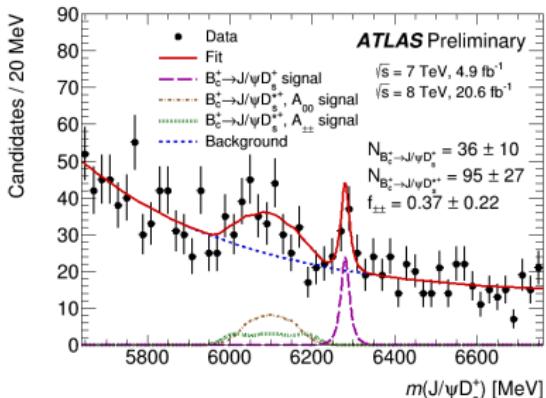
- ▶ 2D unbinned ML fit:  $m(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+)$  and  $|\cos\theta'(\mu^+)|$  (angle between  $\mu^+$  and  $D_s^+$  momentum in the  $J/\psi$  rest frame)

### Mass components:

- $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+ : \sim \exp \left[ -\frac{x^{1+\frac{1}{1+x/2}}}{2} \right]$
- $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+} : A_{\pm\pm}$  and  $A_{00}$  with templates from simulations
- Background:  $\sim \exp [a \cdot x + b \cdot x^2]$

### Angular components:

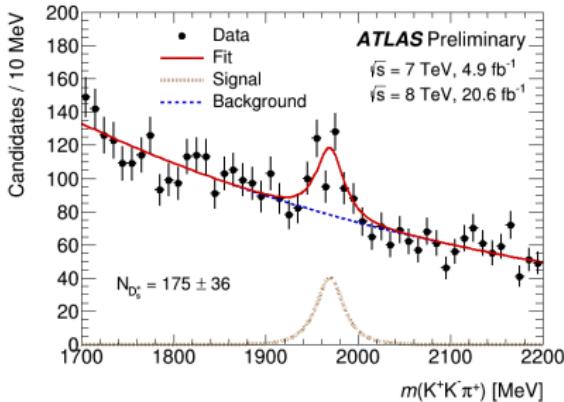
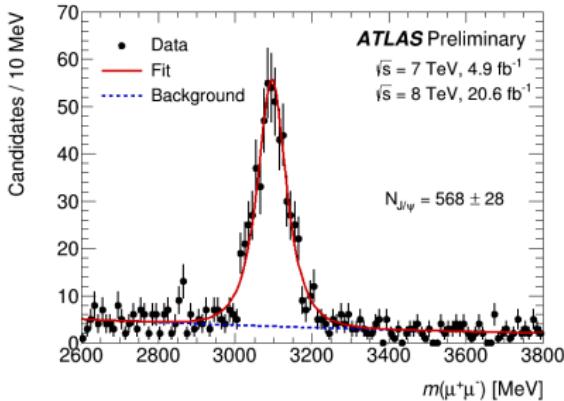
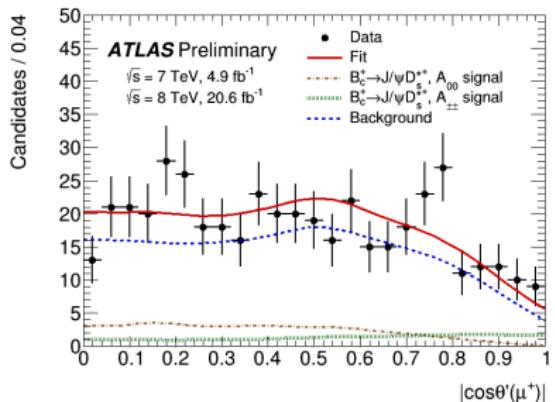
- Signals: templates from simulations
- Background: data sidebands of  $J/\psi D_s^+$  mass spectra
- ▶ Simultaneous 2D fit → better sensitivity w.r.t. 1D mass fit
- ▶ Signal significance  $4.9\sigma$  (toy MC studies)



# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ - Analysis

Parameter	Value
$m_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+}$ [MeV]	$6279.9 \pm 3.5$
$N_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+}$	$36 \pm 10$
$N_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}}$	$95 \pm 27$
$f_{\pm \pm}$	$0.37 \pm 0.22$

- Left: mass distribution of the  $J/\psi$  and  $D_s^+$  candidates (no mass constraints implied)
- Bottom: angular projection of the fit for  $J/\psi D_s^+$  in  $5.95 < m(J/\psi D_s^+) < 6.25$  GeV

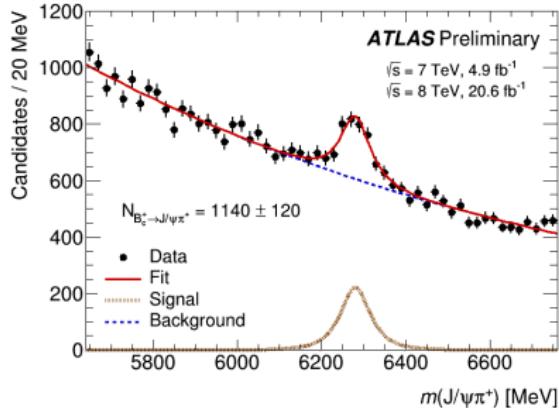


# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ - Analysis

## $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+$ candidate selection and fit (reference channel)

### ► Event selection

- Same  $J/\psi$  selection as for  $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+$
- $p_T(\pi^+) > 5$  GeV
- $|\eta(\pi^+)| < 2.5$
- veto muon tracks ( $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\mu^+\nu_\mu X$ )
- $p_T(B_c^+) > 15$  GeV
- $|\eta(B_c^+)| < 2$
- $\chi^2/NDOF(B_c^+) < 8$
- $0.2 < L_{xy}(B_c^+) < 10$  mm
- $p_T(B_c^+)/\sum p_T(\text{trk}) > 0.1$
- $\cos\theta^*(\pi) > -0.8$  (angle between  $\pi$  momentum in  $\mu^+\mu^-\pi^+$  rest frame and  $B_c^+$  line of flight in the lab. frame)
- $\cos\theta'(\mu^+) < 0.8$  (angle between  $\mu^+$  and  $\pi^+$  momenta in  $\mu^+\mu^-\pi^+$  rest frame)



### Unbinned ML fit

- Signal: modified Gaussian
- Background: exponential

Parameter	Value
$m_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+}$ [MeV]	$6279.9 \pm 3.9$
$\sigma_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+}$ [MeV]	$33.9 \pm 4.2$
$N_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+}$	$1140 \pm 120$

# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ - Results

- ▶ Measured ratios of branching fractions:

$$\mathcal{R}_{D_s^+/ \pi^+} = \frac{\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+}}{\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+}} = 3.8 \pm 1.1 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+0.2}_{-0.6} \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.2 \text{ (BF)},$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{D_s^{*+}/ \pi^+} = \frac{\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}}}{\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+}} = 10.3 \pm 3.1 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+0.8}_{-1.5} \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.6 \text{ (BF)},$$

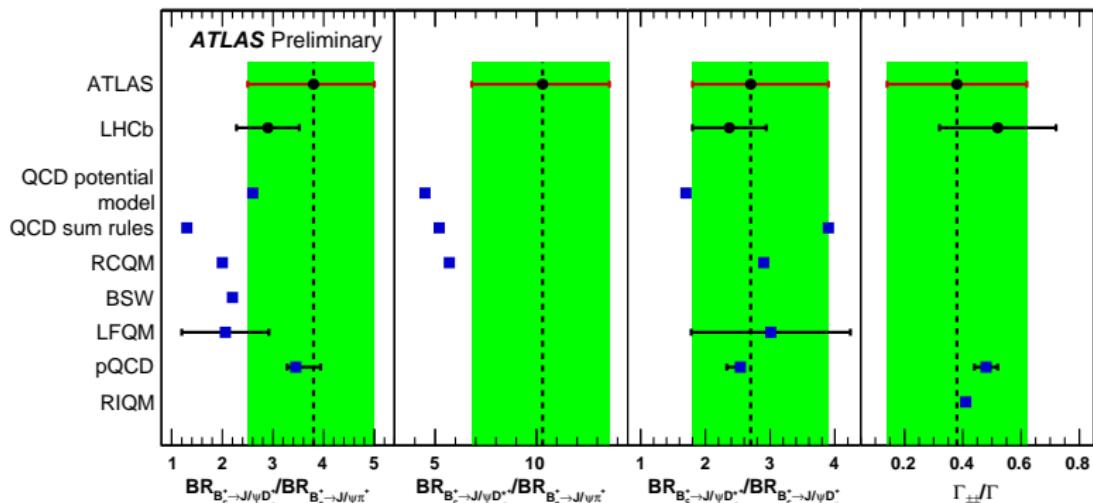
$$\mathcal{R}_{D_s^{*+}/ D_s^+} = \frac{\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}}}{\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+}} = 2.7 {}^{+1.1}_{-0.8} \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+0.4}_{-0.3} \text{ (syst.)},$$

- ▶ BF uncertainty corresponds to the limited knowledge of  $\mathcal{B}(D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi(K^+ K^-) \pi^+)$
- ▶ Dominant uncertainty from signal and background parameterization
- ▶ Relative contribution of  $A_{\pm\pm}$  amplitude to  $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}$  decay:

$$\Gamma_{\pm\pm}/\Gamma = 0.38 \pm 0.23 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+0.06}_{-0.07} \text{ (syst.)}$$

- ▶ Mostly affected by the background angular modelling

# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ - Results



- ▶ Generally well described by perturbative QCD, consistent with other models
- ▶ Underestimation of  $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$  decay rates by some models
- ▶ Results consistent with LHCb measurement ([Phys. Rev. D 87 \(2013\) 112012](#))

# Summary and future plans

## Observation of an excited $B_c^\pm$ meson state

- ▶ A new state observed at  $Q = 288.3 \pm 3.5 \pm 4.1$  MeV corresponding to a mass of  $6842 \pm 4 \pm 5$  MeV
- ▶ Significance of observation  $5.2\sigma$  (local  $5.4\sigma$ )
- ▶ Consistent with predicted mass of  $B_c^\pm(2S)$  state

## Study of $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+$ and $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}$ decays

- ▶ Measurement of ratios of branching fractions and fraction of transverse polarization:  
 $\mathcal{R}_{D_s^+/\pi^+}$ ,  $\mathcal{R}_{D_s^{*+}/\pi^+}$ ,  $\mathcal{R}_{D_s^{*+}/D_s^+}$  and  $\Gamma_{\pm\pm}/\Gamma$
- ▶ Polarization well described by available theoretical approaches
- ▶ Generally, predictions agree with the measurement of the ratios of branching fractions

More Run-I results to come

Looking forward to Run-II data!

## BACKUP SLIDES

# Excited $B_c^+$ meson state - References

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# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$

## Theoretical predictions by:

- ▶ QCD potential model  
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- ▶ QCD sum rules  
[arXiv:hep-ph/0211021](#)
- ▶ Relativistic constituent quark model (RCQM)  
[Phys. Rev. D 73 \(2006\) 054024](#)
- ▶ BSW relativistic quark model  
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- ▶ Light-front quark model (LFQM)  
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# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ - Event selection

## ► $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ selection:

- $p_T(\mu^\pm) > 3$  GeV
- $|\eta(\mu^\pm)| < 2.3$
- $\chi^2/NDOF(J/\psi) < 15$
- $2.8 < m(J/\psi) < 3.4$  GeV
- at least one of two muons is combined

## ► $D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi(K^+ K^-)\pi^+$ selection:

- $p_T(K^\pm, \pi^\pm) > 1$  GeV
- $|\eta(K^\pm, \pi^\pm)| < 2.5$
- $\chi^2/NDOF(D_s^+) < 8$
- $m(K^+ K^-)$  within  $\pm 7$  MeV around  $\phi$  mass
- $1.93 < m(K^+ K^- \pi^+) < 2.01$  GeV
- $\cos\theta^*(\pi) < 0.8^\dagger$
- $\cos^3\theta'(K) > 0.15^\dagger$

<sup>†</sup>ATLAS-CONF-2011-017

## ► $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+$ selection:

- $p_T(B_c^+) > 15$  GeV
- $|\eta(B_c^+)| < 2.0$
- Cascade fit  $\chi^2/NDOF(B_c^+) < 3$
- $d_0^{PV} < 0.1$  mm
- $z_0^{PV} \sin\theta < 0.5$  mm
- $0.1 < L_{xy}(B_c^+) < 10$  mm
- $0.15 < L_{xy}(D_s^+ \text{ w.r.t. } B_c^+) < 10$  mm
- $p_T(B_c^+)/\sum p_T(\text{trk}) > 0.1$
- $\cos\theta^* > -0.8$  (angle between  $D_s^+$  momentum in  $B_c^+$  rest frame and  $B_c^+$  line of flight in the lab. frame)
- $\cos\theta' > -0.8$  (angle between the pion and the  $J/\psi$  in  $D_s^+$  rest frame)
- Remove candidates with  $5.34 < m_{\text{refit.}}(J/\psi\phi) < 5.4$  GeV

# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ - Measurement

## Branching fractions and polarization measurement

- Ratios of the branching fractions  $\mathcal{R}_{D_s^{(*)+}/\pi^+}$  and  $\mathcal{R}_{D_s^{*+}/\pi^+}$  are calculated as

$$\mathcal{R}_{D_s^{(*)+}/\pi^+} = \frac{\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}}}{\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+}} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{B}_{D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi(K^+K^-)\pi^+}} \times \frac{\mathcal{A}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+}}{\mathcal{A}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}}} \times \frac{N_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}}}{N_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+}},$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{D_s^{*+}/D_s^+} = \frac{\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}}}{\mathcal{B}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+}} = \frac{N_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}}}{N_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+}} \times \frac{\mathcal{A}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+}}{\mathcal{A}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}}}$$

- Acceptance for  $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}$  estimated as  $A_{\pm\pm}$  and  $A_{00}$  average

$$\mathcal{A}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}} = \left( \frac{f_{\pm\pm}}{\mathcal{A}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}, A_{\pm\pm}}} + \frac{1-f_{\pm\pm}}{\mathcal{A}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}, A_{00}}} \right)^{-1}$$

- The fraction of transverse polarization:

$$\Gamma_{\pm\pm}/\Gamma = f_{\pm\pm} \times \frac{\mathcal{A}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}}}{\mathcal{A}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}, A_{\pm\pm}}}$$

- Estimated acceptance  $\mathcal{A}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow X}$  for all decays:

Mode	$\mathcal{A}_{B_c^+ \rightarrow X} [\%]$
$B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+$	$4.110 \pm 0.056$
$B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^+$	$1.842 \pm 0.034$
$B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}, A_{00}$	$1.839 \pm 0.053$
$B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{*+}, A_{\pm\pm}$	$1.720 \pm 0.035$

# Study of the $B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ - Systematics

Relative systematic uncertainties for the measured values.

Source	Uncertainty [%]			
	$R_{D_s^+/ \pi^+}$	$R_{D_s^{*+} / \pi^+}$	$R_{D_s^{*+} / D_s^+}$	$\Gamma_{\pm\pm} / \Gamma$
Simulated $p_T(B_c^+)$ spectrum	+0.4 -0.4	+0.9 -0.9	+0.4 -0.5	+0.4 -0.4
Simulated $ \eta(B_c^+) $ spectrum	+1.8 -1.8	+2.4 -2.3	+0.6 -0.5	+0.2 -0.1
Tracking efficiency	$\pm 5.0$	$\pm 4.9$	—	—
$B_c^+$ lifetime	+1.1 -1.2	+1.2 -1.3	—	—
$D_s^+$ lifetime	$\pm 0.3$	$\pm 0.3$	$\pm 0.1$	$\pm 0.1$
$B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi D_s^{(*)+}$ signal extraction	+1.7 -13.5	+3.9 -10.7	+12.8 -10.1	+15.2 -17.8
$B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+$ signal extraction	+1.5 -7.4	+1.5 -7.4	—	—
$D_s^{*+}$ branching fractions	—	+0.2 -0.0	+0.2 -0.3	+0.8 -1.1
MC statistics	$\pm 2.3$	$\pm 2.4$	$\pm 2.7$	$\pm 2.2$
Total	+6.3 -16.5	+7.5 -14.3	+13.1 -10.4	+15.4 -17.9
$\mathcal{B}_{D_s^+ \rightarrow \phi(K^+ K^-)\pi^+}$	$\pm 5.9$	$\pm 5.9$	—	—