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Measurement of the B_s^0 lifetime in the CP-odd decay channel $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi f_0(980)$ in the D0 experiment

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The lifetime of the B_s^0 meson is measured in the decay channel $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^-$ with $|M_{\pi^+ \pi^-} - 980| < 100$ MeV, which is mainly CP-odd and dominated by the $f_0(980)$ resonance. Using 10.4 fb^{-1} of data collected with the D0 detector in Run II of the Tevatron, the lifetime of the B_s^0 meson is measured to be $\tau(B_s^0) = (1.696 \pm 0.141 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.049 \text{ (syst)}) \text{ ps}$. Neglecting CP violation in B_s^0/\bar{B}_s^0 mixing, the measurement can be translated into the width of the heavy mass eigenstate of the B_s^0 , $\Gamma_H = (0.590 \pm 0.049 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.017 \text{ (syst)}) \text{ ps}^{-1}$.

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