

# $B_c$ excitations at LHC

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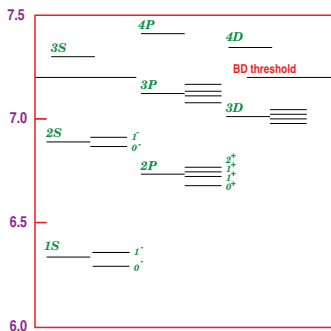
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# $B_c$ family

- All excitations below the threshold decay into  $1^1S_0$ .
- Charge parity can not be determined:  $h_Q \chi_{1Q} \xrightarrow{\text{mixing}} 1^+ 1^{+'}$ .



state	Martin	BT
$1^1S_0$	6.253	6.264
$1^1S_1$	6.317	6.337
$2^1S_0$	6.867	6.856
$2^1S_1$	6.902	6.899
$2^1P_0$	6.683	6.700
$2P 1^+$	6.717	6.730
$2P 1^{+'}$	6.729	6.736
$2^3P_2$	6.743	6.747
$3^1P_0$	7.088	7.108
$3P 1^+$	7.113	7.135
$3P 1^{+'}$	7.124	7.142
$3^3P_2$	7.134	7.153
$3D 2^-$	7.001	7.009
$3^5D_3$	7.007	7.005
$3^3D_1$	7.008	7.012
$3D 2'^-$	7.016	7.012

Figure 1: The mass spectrum of  $(b\bar{c})$  with account for the spin-dependent splittings.

[Gouz et al.(2004)Gouz, Kiselev, Likhoded, Romanovsky, and Yushchenko, Godfrey(2004)]

# How to estimate the cross section for $B_c$ excitations?

The same method as for the ground state can be used.

$\delta$ -approximation:

- the matrix element of  $S$  wave state production is proportional to the matrix element of  $b\bar{c}c\bar{c}$  production times by  $S$  wave function at origin<sup>1</sup>,
- $\bar{b}$  and  $c$  quark moves with the same velocities,
- $\bar{b}$  and  $c$  quarks are in appropriate spin state.

Color model:

- $\bar{b}c$  pair is produced in color singlet.

Heavy quark matrix element:

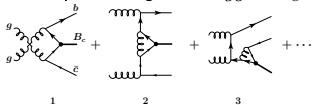
- calculated within leading order of QCD.

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<sup>1</sup>For the  $P$  wave production the amplitude is proportional to the derivatives of the hard part of amplitudes over internal momentum of quark in quarkonium times by the derivative of  $P$  wave function at origin

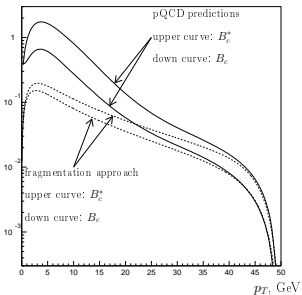
# $gg \rightarrow B_c + X$

The examples of diagrams for  $gg \rightarrow B_c b \bar{c}$ :

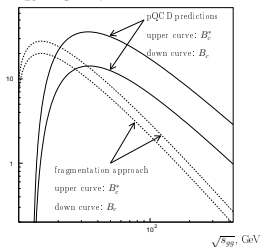


$p_T$ -distribution for  $\sqrt{\hat{s}_{gg}} = 100$  GeV:

$d\sigma(gg \rightarrow B_c^{(*)} + X)/dp_T$ , pb/GeV



$\sigma(gg \rightarrow B_c^{(*)} + X)$ , pb



The difference is partially hidden by convolution with PDFs.

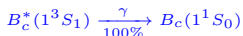
For  $P_T(B_c) < 35 - 40$  GeV recombination diagrams (such as 1 and 2) dominates and

$$\frac{\sigma(B_c^*)}{\sigma(B_c)} \sim 2.5 \div 3$$

Fragmentation approach is valid for  $P_T(B_c) > 35 - 40$  GeV:

$$\frac{\sigma(B_c^*)}{\sigma(B_c)} \sim 1.4$$

# What will be observed first: $B_c^*$ or $B_c^P$ ?



$$M(B_c^*) - M(B_c) \approx 65 \text{ MeV}$$

Maximum transverse energy  $\omega_T$  of  $\gamma$  in the lab. system:

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_T^{max} &= \left(1 + \frac{\Delta M}{2M_{B_c^*}}\right) \left(\sqrt{M_{B_c^*}^2 + p_T^2} + p_T\right) \frac{\Delta M}{M_{B_c^*}} \\ &\approx 0.01 \left(\sqrt{M_{B_c^*}^2 + p_T^2} + p_T\right) \end{aligned}$$

$B_c^*$  v.s.  $B_c^P$ :

- a lot of  $B_c^*$ , but high  $p_T$  is needed.
- Small amount of  $B_c^P$ , but  $p_T$  is not essential.

Seems, that  $B_c^P$  family win:

$$\frac{\sigma_{2P}(\omega_T^{\gamma} > 0.5 \text{ GeV})}{\sigma_{1S}(\omega_T^{\gamma} > 0.5 \text{ GeV} \iff p_T^{B_c} > 24 \text{ GeV})} \sim 25 \div 50$$

## Table : Decays $P \rightarrow 1S + \gamma$

[Godfrey(2004), Gupta and Johnson(1996),

Kiselev et al.(1995)Kiselev, Likhoded, and Tkabladze]

state	decay to 1S	Br, %	$\Delta M$ , MeV
$2^3P_0$	$1^3S_1 + \gamma$	100	363-366
$2P1^+$	$1^3S_1 + \gamma$	87	393-400
	$1^1S_0 + \gamma$	13	393-400
$2P1'^+$	$1^1S_0 + \gamma$	94	472-476
	$1^3S_1 + \gamma$	6	472-476
$2^3P_2$	$1^3S_1 + \gamma$	100	410-426
$3^3P_0$	$1^3S_1 + \gamma$	2	741
	$1^1S_0 + \gamma$	8.5	761
$3P1^+$	$1^3S_1 + \gamma$	8.5	761
	$1^1S_0 + \gamma$	3.3	820
$3P1'^+$	$1^1S_0 + \gamma$	22.6	825
	$1^3S_1 + \gamma$	0.7	769
$3^3P_2$	$1^3S_1 + \gamma$	18	778
	$1^1S_0 + \gamma$	18	778

# What to do with the soft photon from $B_c^*$ decay?

Only  $\sim 20\%$  of  $2P$ -wave states decay radiating only one photon:

$$2P1^+(B_c) \xrightarrow[\sim 13\%]{\gamma} 1^1S_0(B_c)$$

$$2P1'^+(B_c) \xrightarrow[\sim 94\%]{\gamma} 1^1S_0(B_c)$$

In most cases

$$2P \xrightarrow{\gamma_1^{\text{hard}}} 1^3S_1(B_c^*) \xrightarrow{\gamma_2^{\text{soft}}} 1^1S_0(B_c)$$

To find  $\gamma_2$  the high  $p_T$  of  $B_c^*$  is needed.

But, it seems that we can see  $P$ -wave excitations without the reconstruction of soft  $\gamma_2$ .

$$\Delta \approx 2 \frac{(M_{B_c(P)} - M_{B_c^*})(M_{B_c^*} - M_{B_c})}{M_{B_c}}$$

width of partially reconstructed  $B_c^P$ 

$$B_c^P : M_{B_c^P} = M + \Delta M_1 + \Delta M_2$$

$$B_c^* : M_{B_c^*} = M + \Delta M_2$$

$$B_c : M_{B_c} = M$$

$$B_c^P \xrightarrow{\frac{\gamma_1(\omega_1)}{\Delta M_1}} B_c^* \xrightarrow{\frac{\gamma_2(\omega_2)}{\Delta M_2}} B_c$$

In the  $B_c$  rest frame:

$$M_{B_c^P}^2 = (M + \Delta M_1 + \Delta M_2)^2 = M^2 + 2(\omega_1 + \omega_2)M + 2\omega_1\omega_2(1 - \cos \Theta)$$

$$M_{B_c^*}^2 = (M + \Delta M_2)^2 = M^2 + 2\omega_2 M$$

$\Theta$  is the angle between  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  in the  $B_c$  rest frame.

$$\omega_2 = \left(1 + \frac{\Delta M_2}{2M}\right) \Delta M_2$$

$$\omega_1 = \frac{2M + \Delta M_1}{2M + 2\omega_2(1 - \cos \Theta)} \Delta M_1$$

$$\omega_1^{max} = \left(1 + \frac{\Delta M_1}{2M}\right) \Delta M_1$$

$$\omega_1^{min} = \frac{1 + \frac{\Delta M_1}{2M}}{\left(1 + \frac{\Delta M_2}{M}\right)^2} \Delta M_1$$

$\tilde{M}$  is the mass of  $B_c + \gamma_1$  system:

$$\tilde{M}^2 = (M + \omega_1)^2 - \omega_1^2 = M^2 + 2\omega_1 M$$

$$\tilde{M}_{max}^2 = (M + \Delta M_1)^2$$

$$\tilde{M}_{min}^2 =$$

$$= (M + \Delta M_1)^2 - 4\Delta M_1 \Delta M_2 \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\Delta M_1}{2M}\right) \left(1 + \frac{\Delta M_2}{2M}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{\Delta M_2}{M}\right)^2}$$

$$\tilde{M}_{max} - \tilde{M}_{min} \approx 2 \frac{\Delta M_1 \Delta M_2}{M}$$

# $P$ -wave excitations in $B_c + \gamma$ mass spectrum

Peaks for  $2P$  wave excitations ("soft" photon is lost):

- shifted by  $\sim 65$  MeV
- have a width  $\sim 10$  MeV

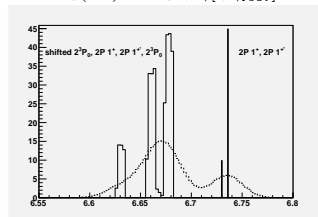
Peaks for  $3P$  wave excitations ("soft" photon is lost):

- shifted by  $\sim 65$  MeV
- have a width  $\sim 20$  MeV

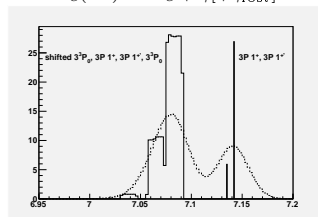
$\sigma(3P) \sim \sigma(2P)$ , but only  $\sim 20\%$  of  $B_c(3P)$  decay electromagnetically into  $1^3S_1(B_c^*)$  or  $1^1S_0(B_c)$ .

$\omega_T^{\min}$ , GeV	$B_c$ state	relative yield %
0.3	$B_c(2P)$	$\sim 5.0$
	$B_c(3P)$	$\sim 1.0$
	$B_c^*$	$\sim 0.8$
0.5	$B_c(2P)$	$\sim 3.5$
	$B_c(3P)$	$\sim 0.7$
	$B_c^*$	$\sim 0.06$
1.0	$B_c(2P)$	$\sim 0.9$
	$B_c(3P)$	$\sim 0.4$
	$B_c^*$	$\sim 0.005$

$B_c(2P) \rightarrow B_c + \gamma [+ \gamma_{\text{lost}}]$



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$$B_c(2S) \rightarrow B_c(B_c^*) + \pi\pi$$

$$2^1S_0(B_c) \xrightarrow[\sim 50\%]{\pi^+\pi^-} 1^1S_0(B_c)$$

$$2^3S_1(B_c) \xrightarrow[\sim 40\%]{\pi^+\pi^-} 1^3S_1(B_c)$$

$$\sigma(B_c(2S))/\sigma^{\text{total}}(B_c) \sim 20 \div 30 \%$$

$$\sigma(2^3S_1)/\sigma(2^1S_0) \sim 2.6$$

feed down from  $B_c(2S) \rightarrow B_c(1S) + \pi^+\pi^-$   
 $\sim 10 \div 15 \%$

For  $2S$  vector, as well as pseudoscalar

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{dm_{2\pi}} \sim \frac{|\mathbf{k}_{\pi\pi}|}{M^2} (2x^2 - 1) \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$$

where  $x = m_{\pi\pi}/2m_{\pi}$  and  $\mathbf{k}_{\pi\pi}$  is the momentum of  $\pi\pi$ -pair in the  $B_c(2S)$  rest frame.

$$\langle m_{\pi\pi} \rangle \sim 0.5 \text{ GeV}$$

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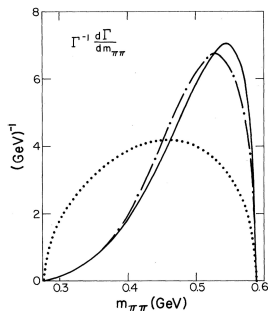
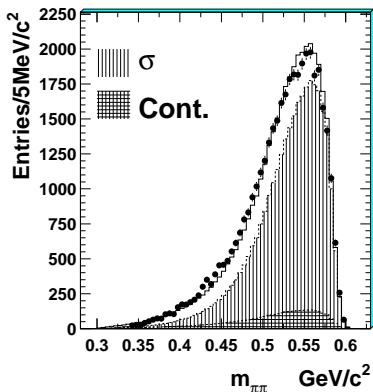


FIG. 1. The decay spectrum  $\Gamma^{-1} d\Gamma/dm_{\pi\pi}$  as a function of  $m_{\pi\pi}$  given by Eq. (6) (solid line); given by simple phase space (dotted line); and given by Eq. (6) modified by pion-pion rescattering (dot-dashed line).

[Brown and Cahn(1975), Novikov and Shifman(1981),  
 Voloshin(1975), Voloshin and Zakharov(1980)]

# $\sigma$ -meson in the quarkonia decays

Distribution over  $m_{\pi\pi}$  for the process  $\psi' \rightarrow J/\psi\pi\pi$ .  
 The resonance  $\sigma$  ( $f_0(500)$ ) has been included into the fit  
 (BESII) [Ablikim et al.(2007)].



$f_0(500)$  or  $\sigma$   
 $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$   
 $(400 - 550) - i(200 - 350) \text{ MeV}$

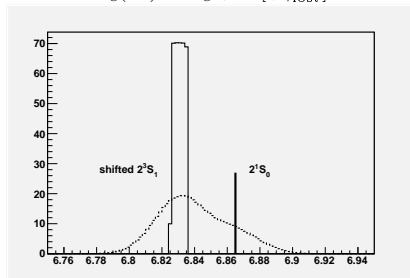
# $B_c^*(2S)$ with lost photon

Peak for  $2^3S_1$  excitation ("soft" photon is lost):

- shifted by  $\sim 65$  MeV  $\Rightarrow$  appeared  $\sim 30$  MeV before  $2^1S_0$
- have a width  $\sim 10$  MeV

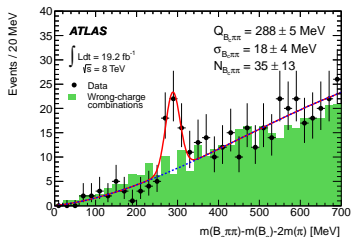
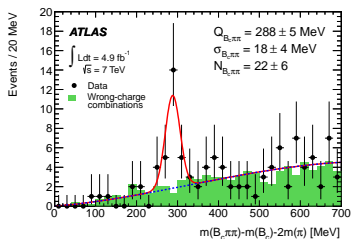
$$\Delta \approx 2 \frac{\sqrt{(M_{B_c^*(2S)} - M_{B_c^*})^2 - 4m_\pi^2} (M_{B_c^*} - M_{B_c})}{M_{B_c}}$$

$B_c(2S) \rightarrow B_c + \pi\pi [+ \gamma_{\text{lost}}]$



# ATLAS results for $B_c(2S)$

ATLAS Coll. [Aad et al.(2014)]



$B_c \rightarrow J/\psi\pi$  (ATLAS)

Data	Signal events	Peak mean [MeV]
7 TeV	$100 \pm 23$	$6282 \pm 8$
8 TeV	$227 \pm 25$	$6277 \pm 6$

$$\frac{N(B_c(2S) \rightarrow B_c\pi^+\pi^-)}{N(B_c)} \sim 0.17$$

Taking into account  $B_c\pi^0\pi^0$  one can obtain

$$\frac{\sigma(B_c(2S))}{\sigma(B_c^{\text{direct}}) + \sigma(B_c(2P)) + \sigma(B_c(3P))} \gtrsim 0.4$$

Accounting acceptance efficiency and pion track efficiency could increase this ratio to the unexpectedly large value.

- $B_c(2S)$  yield is quite large.
- The peak mean value can be interpreted as  $2^3S_1$  shifted by 65 MeV due to the unreconstructed soft photon ( $B_c^*(2S) \rightarrow B_c^* + \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $B_c^* \rightarrow B_c + \gamma_{\text{lost}}$ ).
- It could be supposed, that the peak have a quite large width due to additional contribution from  $2^1S_0$ .

# $B_c(2S)$ yield at LHCb

At first sight

$$R_{2S/1S} = \frac{\sigma(B_c(2S))}{\sigma(B_c(1S))} \sim \frac{R_{2S}^2(0)}{R_{1S}^2(0)}$$

and doesn't depend on kinematic region.

Several unpleasant features of theoretical model:

The predicted cross section strongly depends on choice of mass values. Within the model  $M(B_c(nS)) = m_b + m_c$  and therefore quark mass values in estimation of  $\sigma(B_c(2S))$  differ from ones in estimation of  $\sigma(B_c(1S))$ . And this leads (very rough estimation!) to

$$\frac{R_{2S/1S}[\text{LHCb}]}{R_{2S/1S}[\text{ATLAS}]} \sim 0.7 \quad (\text{Does it have a physical meaning?})$$

Anyway, the relative yields of  $B_c(2S)$  at LHCb and at ATLAS are comparable.

# Conclusions

- The missing of photon from  $B_c^* \rightarrow B_c + \gamma$  shifts peaks for  $2S$  and  $P$  states by 65 MeV and broadens them by 10 – 20 MeV. This photon is too soft to be detected.
- The best chance to be found first in the  $M_{B_c} + \gamma$  spectrum belongs to  $2P$  excitations.
- If  $B_c(2S) \rightarrow B_c(B_c^*) + \pi^+\pi^-$  mode is seen at ATLAS, it should be seen at LHCb.
- New results on  $B_c(2S)$  production are needed from ATLAS (full data set of Run-I + Run-II). It is very useful to know the efficiency of  $\pi^+\pi^-$  registration.
- New results on  $B_c(2S)$  production are needed from CMS.
- The LHCb results on  $B_c(2S)$  production are still awaited.

Thank for your attention!

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# $B_c$ properties

- 1 All excitations below the threshold decay to the ground state  $1^1S_0$ .
- 2 The absence of strong annihilation channels leads the very narrow ground state (practically as  $B$ -meson).
- 3 Spectroscopy can be investigated within the same frame work as for  $c\bar{c}$  and  $b\bar{b}$  quarkoniums.
- 4 The small total yield comparing to the  $c\bar{c}$  and  $b\bar{b}$  quarkonia case.
- 5 The small relative yield of  $P$ -wave excitations comparing to the  $c\bar{c}$  and  $b\bar{b}$  quarkonia case.

$B_c$  family have a spectroscopy similar to  $c\bar{c}$  or  $b\bar{b}$  quarkonium spectroscopy and decays like  $B$  meson

- The main difference in decays (comparing to  $B$  meson): the both quarks in  $B_c$  are heavy.
- The main difference in spectroscopy (comparing to  $c\bar{c}$  and  $b\bar{b}$  quarkonia): charge parity can not be determined.

$$h_Q \chi_{1Q} \xrightarrow{\text{mixing}} 1^+ 1^{+'}$$

$$|2P, 1^{+'}\rangle = 0.294|S=1\rangle + 0.956|S=0\rangle$$

$$|2P, 1^+\rangle = 0.956|S=1\rangle - 0.294|S=0\rangle$$

$$|3P, 1^{+'}\rangle = 0.371|S=1\rangle + 0.929|S=0\rangle$$

$$|3P, 1^+\rangle = 0.929|S=1\rangle - 0.371|S=0\rangle$$

[Kiselev et al.(1995)Kiselev, Likhoded, and Tkabladze, Gershtein et al.(1995)Gershtein, Kiselev, Likhoded, and Tkal

# $B_c$ production amplitude

$$A^{S J j_z} = \int T_{b\bar{b}c\bar{c}}^{S s_z} (p_i, k(\vec{q})) \cdot (\Psi_{\bar{b}c}^{L l_z}(\vec{q}))^* \cdot C_{s_z l_z}^{J j_z} \frac{d^3 \vec{q}}{(2\pi)^3},$$

where  $T_{b\bar{b}c\bar{c}}^{S s_z}$  is an amplitude of the hard production of two heavy quark pairs;

$\Psi_{\bar{b}c}^{L l_z}$  is the quarkonium wave function (color singlet, *in some calculations — color octet*);

$J$  and  $j_z$  are the total angular momentum and its projection on  $z$ -axis in the  $B_c$  rest frame;

$L$  and  $l_z$  are the orbital angular momentum of  $B_c$  meson and its projection on  $z$ -axis;

$S$  and  $s_z$  are  $B_c$  spin and its projection;

$C_{s_z l_z}^{J j_z}$  are Clebsh-Gordon coefficients;

$p_i$  are four momenta of  $B_c$  meson,  $b$  quark and  $\bar{c}$  quark;

$\vec{q}$  is three momentum of  $\bar{b}$ -quark in the  $B_c$  rest frame (in this frame  $(0, \vec{q}) = k(\vec{q})$ ).

Under assumption of small dependence of  $T_{b\bar{b}c\bar{c}}^{S s_z}$  on  $k(\vec{q})$

$$A \sim \int d^3 q \Psi^*(\vec{q}) \left\{ T(p_i, \vec{q})|_{\vec{q}=0} + \vec{q} \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{q}} T(p_i, \vec{q})|_{\vec{q}=0} + \dots \right\}$$

and, particularly, for the  $S$ -wave states

$$A \sim R_S(0) \cdot T_{b\bar{b}c\bar{c}}(p_i)|_{\vec{q}=0},$$

where  $R_S(0)$  is a value of radial wave function at origin.

# Papers on $B_c$ production

## Hadronic $S$ -wave $B_c$ -meson production:

[Chang et al.(2005)Chang, Qiao, Wang, and Wu,  
 Berezhnoy et al.(1995)Berezhnoy, Likhoded, and Shevlyagin,  
 Berezhnoy et al.(1997b)Berezhnoy, Kiselev, Likhoded, and Onishchenko,  
 Kolodziej et al.(1995)Kolodziej, Leike, and Ruckl,  
 Chang et al.(1995)Chang, Chen, Han, and Jiang, Baranov(1997a),  
 Baranov(1997b)].

## $P$ -wave $B_c$ -meson:

[Berezhnoy et al.(1996)Berezhnoy, Kiselev, and Likhoded,  
 Berezhnoy et al.(1997a)Berezhnoy, Kiselev, and Likhoded,  
 Chang et al.(2004)Chang, Wang, and Wu].

## Some more papers on $B_c$ production:

[Berezhnoy(2005), Chang et al.(2006)Chang, Wang, and Wu,  
 Berezhnoy et al.(2011)Berezhnoy, Likhoded, and Martynov,  
 Chang et al.(2015)Chang, Wang, and Wu].

## First theoretical research of the hadronic four heavy quark production

( $gg \rightarrow Q_1 \bar{Q}_1 Q_2 \bar{Q}_2$  and  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow Q_1 \bar{Q}_1 Q_2 \bar{Q}_2$ ):

[Barger et al.(1991)Barger, Stange, and Phillips]

# Fragmentation in $e^+e^-$

In the special gluonic gauge the only diagram (1) contributes to the cross section at

$$\frac{M_{B_c}^2}{s_{e^+e^-}} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{B_c}}{dz} = D_{\bar{b} \rightarrow B_c}(z) \cdot \sigma_{b\bar{b}}$$

$$D_{\bar{b} \rightarrow B_c^*}(z) =$$

$$\frac{2\alpha^2 |R_S(0)|^2}{81\pi m_c^3} \frac{rz(1-z)^2}{(1-(1-r)z)^6} (6-18(1-2r)z+(21-74r+68r^2)z^2$$

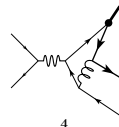
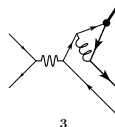
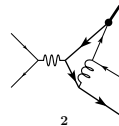
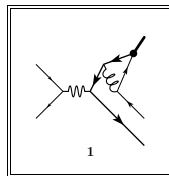
$$- 2(1-r)(6-19r+18r^2)z^3 + 3(1-r)^2(1-2r+2r^2)z^4)$$

$$D_{\bar{b} \rightarrow B_c}(z) =$$

$$\frac{2\alpha^2 |R_S(0)|^2}{27\pi m_c^3} \frac{rz(1-z)^2}{(1-(1-r)z)^6} (2-2(3-2r)z+3(3-2r+4r^2)z^2$$

$$- 2(1-r)(4-r+2r^2)z^3 + (1-r)^2(3-2r+2r^2)z^4)$$

$$r = \frac{m_c}{m_c + m_b}$$



[Clavelli(1982), Ji and Amiri(1987),  
Amiri and Ji(1987), Chang and Chen(1992a),  
Chang and Chen(1992b),  
Braaten et al.(1993) Braaten, Cheung, and Yuan,  
Kiselev et al.(1994) Kiselev, Likhoded, and Shevlyagin]

# The analog of Peterson function

To describe heavy quark hadronization into heavy-light meson the Peterson FF is usually used:

$$D_{Q \rightarrow (Q\bar{q})}(z) \sim \frac{1}{z \left(1 - \frac{1}{z} - \frac{\epsilon}{1-z}\right)^2}.$$

The dependence of "nonperturbative" Peterson FF is partially determined by denominator of perturbative propagator for  $Q^* \rightarrow (Q\bar{q}) + X$  process:

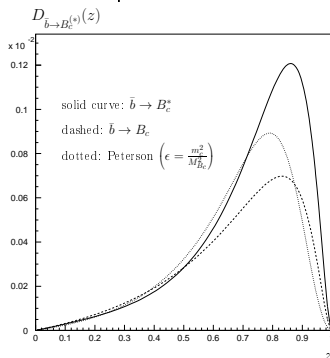
$$m_Q^2 - (P_{(Q\bar{q})} + P_X)^2.$$

$$m_Q^2 - (P_{(Q\bar{q})} + P_X)^2 \approx m_Q^2 - \frac{m_{(Q\bar{q})}^2}{z} - \frac{m_X^2}{1-z}.$$

For  $m_Q \approx m_{(Q\bar{q})}$

$$m_Q^2 - (P_{(Q\bar{q})} + P_X)^2 \sim 1 - \frac{1}{z} - \frac{m_X^2}{m_Q^2} \frac{1}{1-z}.$$

FF for  $b \rightarrow B_c^{(*)}$  obtained within pQCD vs. Peterson parametrization:



The FFs from the previous slide are used within FONLL to describe  $c \rightarrow D$  ( $r$  - free parameter).

# Additional contributions to $B_c$ hadronic production

Comparable contributions to the  $B_c$  production:

- $gg \rightarrow B_c b \bar{c}$
- $\bar{b}(c)g \rightarrow B_c + \bar{c}(b)$
- Pythia gluonic showering  $g \rightarrow B_c$ .

Small contributions:

- $q\bar{q} \rightarrow B_c b \bar{c}$  (about 10%  $gg \rightarrow B_c b \bar{c}$ )
- color octet (unessential for  $B_c$  inclusive production).

Problems:

- How to avoid double counting?
- How to take into account the mass of  $b(\bar{c})$ -quark from the sea in matrix element?
- How to obtain reasonable  $p_T$  distribution?

# Methods used for $b$ production

- GM-VFNS** General-mass variable- flavor-number scheme (GM-VFNS): The heavy quark is treated as any other massless parton, the mass is taken into account as large logarithms  $\ln(p_T/m)$  in parton distribution and fragmentation functions, where they are resummed by imposing DGLAP evolution  
[Kniehl et al.(2012)Kniehl, Kramer, Schienbein, and Spiesberger].
- FONLL** NLO (massive quark) + resummation of large logs: **at  $p_T < 5m_c$  NLO works without logarithm resummation** (see eq. 6.1 in [Cacciari et al.(1998)Cacciari, Greco, and Nason]).
- $k_T$  fact.** LO (massive quark) + virtual initial gluons (It seems that sea  $c$  quark is not needed) [Baranov et al.(2005)Baranov, Lipatov, and Zotov].

# $B_c/B$ ratio

LHCb experimental value [Aaij et al.(2014a)]:

$$R^{\text{exp}} = \frac{\sigma(B_c^+) \times \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+)}{\sigma(B^+) \times \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+)} = (0.683 \pm 0.018 \pm 0.009)\%$$

$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi K^+) \approx 0.1\%$  is known experimentally.  $\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+)$  is theoretically predicted within different models. The obtained predictions contradict each other :

$$\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+) = 0.061 \div 0.29\%$$

$$r_c^{\text{theor.}} \sim \frac{\sigma(B_c^+)}{\sigma(B^+)} \sim 0.1 \div 0.3\%$$

The  $R^{\text{exp}}$  is in agreement the largest predicted value for  $\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+)$ :

$$R_{\text{optimistic}}^{\text{theor.}} \sim 0.3 \div 0.9\%$$

However the choice of

$\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+) \sim (0.06 \div 1.1)\%$  looks more reasonable, because these values obtain within the models [Ebert et al.(2003)Ebert, Faustov, and Galkin, Abd El-Hady et al.(2000)Abd El-Hady, Munoz, and Vary], which describe the the experimentally obtained ratio [Aaij et al.(2014b)]:

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\pi^+)}{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow J/\psi\mu\nu_\mu)} = 0.0469 \pm 0.0028 \pm 0.0046$$

. For this case

$$R_{\text{reasonable}}^{\text{theor.}} \sim 0.06 \div 0.3\%$$

It seems that the theoretical predictions underestimate the experimental values.



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