

Search for $B_c \rightarrow DD$ decays and measurement of
 $A_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0)$

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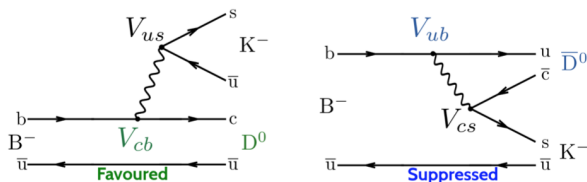
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1 Search for B_c^+ decays to two charm mesons

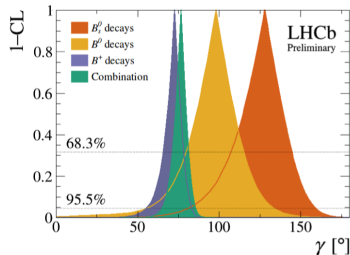
2 Measurement of the CP asymmetry in $B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0$ decays

CKM angle γ

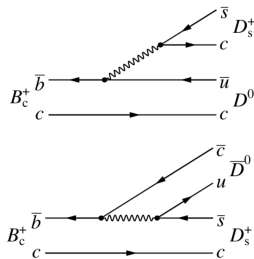
- $\gamma \equiv \arg\left(-\frac{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*}{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*}\right)$ is the least well known angle of the Unitarity triangle
- The only CP violating parameter that can be measured through tree decays
 - Important Standard Model **benchmark**
 - Compare tree and loop level determinations to test for **new physics** - currently consistent but with large uncertainties
- Theoretically pristine $|\delta_\gamma \leq \mathcal{O}(10^{-7})|$ [JHEP 01 (2014) 051]
- Access through the interference of $b \rightarrow c$ and $b \rightarrow u$ decays to the same final state
- World average of $(73.5^{+4.2}_{-5.1})^\circ$ [HFLAV] dominated by the combination of LHCb measurements $(76.8^{+5.1}_{-5.7})^\circ$ made with B^+ , B^0 and B_s^0 [LHCb-CONF-2017-004]



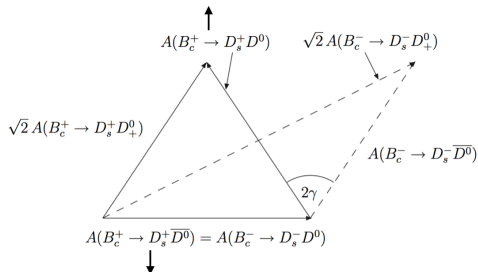
interference $\sim 10\%$



- **CP violation not yet observed in B_c^+ mesons**
- $B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{(*)+} D^{(*)}$ decays, where D is an admixture of D^0 or \bar{D}^0 , have been proposed to measure γ [Phys. Rev. D 62, 057503, Phys. Rev. D 65, 034016]
- Advantage over traditional $B \rightarrow DK$ since the sides of the amplitude triangles are of comparable length, interference $\sim 100\%$
- Disadvantage is small B_c^+ production cross section, lifetime, branching fractions, final state



V_{ub} , not colour suppressed



V_{cb} , colour suppressed

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \times \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ D) = \mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0) \times \frac{N(B_c^+)}{N(B^+)} \times \frac{\varepsilon(B^+)}{\varepsilon(B_c^+)}$$

- From 2011/12 data
- From MC

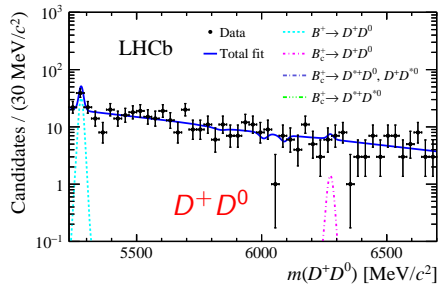
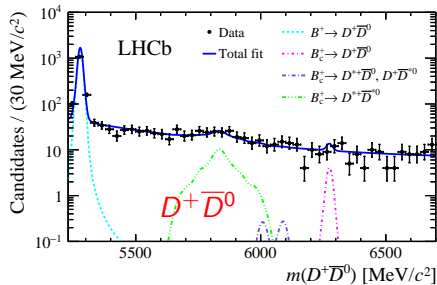
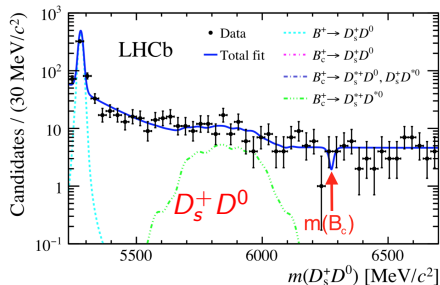
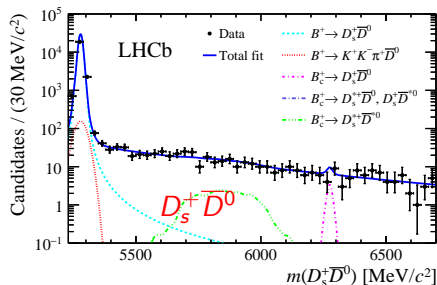
$$D_s^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+, D^+ \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^+ \\ D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+, K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$$

- Combining an LHCb measurement with theory predictions, predict f_c/f_u in the range 0.24% – 1.2% [PRL 114, 132001 (2015), PRD 68, 094020 (2003), PRD 89, 034008 (2014)]
- $\mathcal{B}(B_c^+)$ theory predictions

Channel	Prediction for the branching fraction [10^{-6}]			
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0$	2.3 ± 0.5	4.8	1.7	2.1
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ D^0$	3.0 ± 0.5	6.6	2.5	7.4
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0$	32 ± 7	53	32	33
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D^+ D^0$	0.10 ± 0.02	0.32	0.11	0.32

[Phys. Rev. D 86, 074019, arXiv:hep-ph/0211021, Phys.Lett.B555:189-196,2003, Phys. Rev. D 73, 054024]

- An MVA is used to reject combinatorial background: 85% signal efficiency, 99% background rejection
- The fit model is comprised of six components
 - $B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ D$ model
 - $B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ D$ model
 - $B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{*+} D, D_{(s)}^+ D^*$ model
 - $B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{*+} D^*$ model
 - For $B^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0$ modes, the single charm background $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ K^- \pi^+ \bar{D}^0$
 - Combinatorial background, described by an exponential plus a constant
- An unbinned extended maximum likelihood is performed simultaneously to both D^0 decay modes with only the total B_c^+ yield floating
- Systematics are included in the fit as Gaussian constraints



- Measured branching fractions [upper limit set at 90%(95%) C.L.]:

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \times \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ D)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ D)} = \frac{N(B_c^+)}{N(B^+)} \times \frac{\varepsilon(B^+)}{\varepsilon(B_c^+)}$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0)} = (3.0 \pm 3.7) \times 10^{-4} [< 0.9 (1.1) \times 10^{-3}],$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ D^0)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ D^0)} = (-3.8 \pm 2.6) \times 10^{-4} [< 3.7 (4.7) \times 10^{-4}],$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0)} = (8.0 \pm 7.5) \times 10^{-3} [< 1.9 (2.2) \times 10^{-2}],$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D^+ D^0)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D^+ D^0)} = (2.9 \pm 5.3) \times 10^{-3} [< 1.2 (1.4) \times 10^{-2}].$$

- Measured branching fractions [upper limit set at 90%(95%) C.L.]:

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \times \frac{\left(\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{*+} D) \mathcal{B}(D_{(s)}^{*+}) + \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ D^*) \right)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ D)} = \frac{N(B_c^+)}{N(B^+)} \times \frac{\varepsilon(B^+)}{\varepsilon(B_c^+)}$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_s^{*+} \bar{D}^0) + \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0)} = (-0.1 \pm 1.5) \times 10^{-3} [< 2.8 (3.4) \times 10^{-3}],$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_s^{*+} D^0) + \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ D^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0)} = (-0.3 \pm 1.9) \times 10^{-3} [< 3.0 (3.6) \times 10^{-3}],$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow (D^{*+} \rightarrow D^+ \pi^0, \gamma) \bar{D}^0) + \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0)} = (0.2 \pm 3.2) \times 10^{-2} [< 5.5 (6.6) \times 10^{-2}],$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow (D^{*+} \rightarrow D^+ \pi^0, \gamma) D^0) + \mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D^+ D^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0)} = (-1.5 \pm 1.7) \times 10^{-2} [< 2.2 (2.8) \times 10^{-2}].$$

- Measured branching fractions [upper limit set at 90%(95%) C.L.]:

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \times \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{*+} D^*)}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ D)} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{B}(D_{(s)}^{*+})} \times \frac{N(B_c^+)}{N(B^+)} \times \frac{\varepsilon(B^+)}{\varepsilon(B_c^+)}$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_s^{*+} \bar{D}^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0)} = (3.2 \pm 4.3) \times 10^{-3} [< 1.1 (1.3) \times 10^{-2}],$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D_s^{*+} D^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0)} = (7.0 \pm 9.2) \times 10^{-3} [< 2.0 (2.4) \times 10^{-2}],$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D^{*+} \bar{D}^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0)} = (3.4 \pm 2.3) \times 10^{-1} [< 6.5 (7.3) \times 10^{-1}],$$

$$\frac{f_c}{f_u} \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D^{*+} D^{*0})}{\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0)} = (-4.1 \pm 9.1) \times 10^{-2} [< 1.3 (1.6) \times 10^{-1}].$$

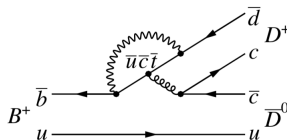
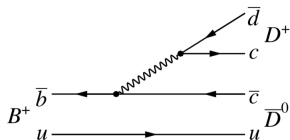
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- Measure the CP asymmetry of the B^+ normalisation modes

$$A_{CP} = \frac{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow D_{(s)}^- D^0) - \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0)}{\Gamma(B^- \rightarrow D_{(s)}^- D^0) + \Gamma(B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0)}$$

- A CP asymmetry requires two diagrams to contribute to the decay of a similar size and with differing **weak** (CKM elements) and **strong** phases (final state interactions)
- $B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0$ has both tree and penguin contributions
- SM predicts $A_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0) = \mathcal{O}(1)\%$ [PRD 81, 034006 (2010)]
- PDG value is $A_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0) = (3 \pm 7)\%$
- **A_{CP} can be enhanced by new physics contributions**



- The raw asymmetry can be measured directly from the fitted yields

$$A_{raw} = \frac{N(D_{(s)}^- D^0) - N(D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0)}{N(D_{(s)}^- D^0) + N(D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0)}$$

- Corrections to A_{raw} need to be made to account for the B production asymmetry and detection asymmetries

$$A_{CP} = A_{raw} - A_P - A_D$$

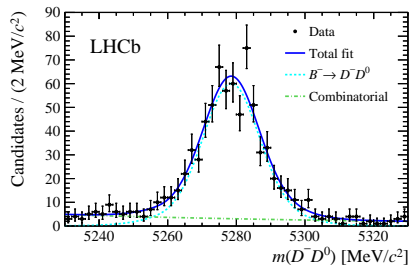
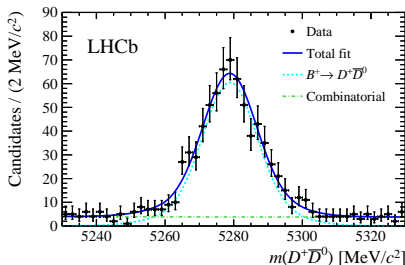
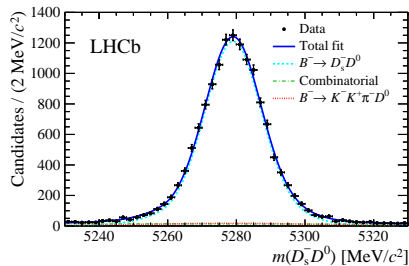
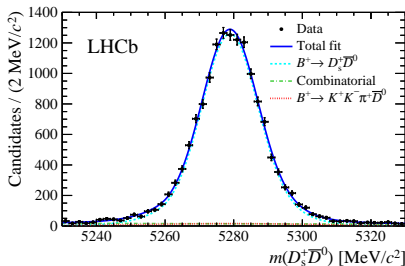
- Where A_P and A_D are defined as

$$A_P = \frac{\sigma(B^-) - \sigma(B^+)}{\sigma(B^-) + \sigma(B^+)}$$

$$A_D = \frac{\varepsilon(B^- \rightarrow D_{(s)}^- D^0) - \varepsilon(B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0)}{\varepsilon(B^- \rightarrow D_{(s)}^- D^0) + \varepsilon(B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0)}$$

- Need an excellent understanding of the detector and its potential to introduce asymmetries**

- A_{raw} is $(-1.8 \pm 0.5)\%$ for $B^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0$ and $(2.0 \pm 2.7)\%$ for $B^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0$



- Detector asymmetries from trigger, tracking, PID and $K\pi$ detection evaluated
- $A_P + A_D$ is $(-1.4 \pm 0.5)\%$ for $B^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0$ and $(-0.3 \pm 0.4)\%$ for $B^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0$
- Putting everything together

$$A_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0) = (-0.4 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.5)\%$$

$$A_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0) = (2.3 \pm 2.7 \pm 0.4)\%$$

- Results consistent with zero so **no evidence of CP violation**
- **First measurement** of $A_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \bar{D}^0)$ and **most precise measurement** of $A_{CP}(B^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0)$ to date ($2.5\times$ better precision than PDG value)
- **Run I + II follow up paper expected next year**

- The CP asymmetry in $B^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0$ decays was measured and a search was performed for $B_c^+ \rightarrow DD$ decays
- The B_c^+ channel with the largest theory prediction is

$$\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0) = 5.3 \times 10^{-5}$$

- Combining the 90%(95%) limit with the most optimistic value for $f_c/f_u = 1.2\%$

$$\mathcal{B}(B_c^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0) < 6.0(7.0) \times 10^{-4}$$

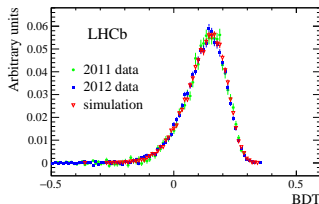
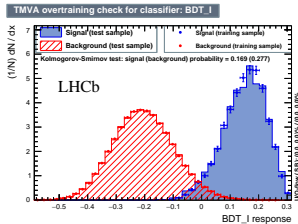
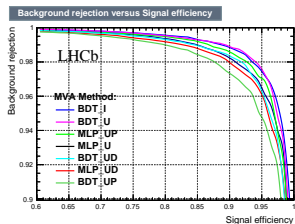
- Limits are consistent with the theoretical expectations
- LHCb collected 6 fb^{-1} during run II, and is set to collect 50 fb^{-1} over less than 10 years during upgrade phase and 300 fb^{-1} by the end of the second upgrade
 - Likely to observe $B_c^+ \rightarrow D^+ \bar{D}^0$, however, measurement of γ with these modes probably still out of reach
 - Expect statistical uncertainties in A_{CP} measurements to halve with a run II update

Backup

- $B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0$ MC was used as the signal sample
- Background training sample ($\sim 10^5$ events):
 - Data from B^+ upper mass sideband ($5350 < m(D_{(s)}^+ D) < 6200$ MeV)
 - Combined background from \bar{D}^0 and D^0 and wide charm mass windows

Rank	Variable	Variable Importance ($\times 10^{-2}$)
1	$m(D_s^+)$	6.391
2	$m_{23}^2(\pi^+ K^-)$	6.115
3	$m_{13}^2(K^+ K^-)$	5.925
4	$\log(p_T(z1))$	5.832
5	$\log(\text{DLL}_{K\pi}(p1) + 5)$	5.692
6	$\log(\tau(D_s^+)/\Delta\tau)$	5.435
7	$\log(\tau(B_c^+)/\Delta\tau)$	5.403
8	$\log(\tau(D^0)/\Delta\tau)$	5.310
9	$\log(p_T(p3))$	5.258
10	$\log(p_T(p1))$	5.157
11	$\log(\text{DLL}_{K\pi}(p3) + 5)$	5.040
12	$m(D^0)$	4.903
13	$\log(\text{DLL}_{K\pi}(z1) + 5)$	4.762
14	$\log(p_T(z2))$	4.754
15	$IP\chi^2(B_c^+)$	4.388
16	$\log(p_T(p2))$	4.071
17	$\log(\text{vertex } \chi^2(D_s^+))$	3.666
18	$\log(10 - \text{DLL}_{K\pi}(p2))$	3.213
19	$\log(\text{vertex } \chi^2(D^0))$	3.047
20	$\log(\text{vertex } \chi^2(B_c^+))$	2.895
21	$\log(10 - \text{DLL}_{K\pi}(z2))$	2.743

- Tried out BDT and MLP (default neural network of TMVA) with various transformations
- Used k-folding technique
 - Train 5 MVAs, each time withholding a different 20% for testing
 - Evaluate the response using the MVA that withheld the event from training
- Best performance from BDT with identity transformation
- Good separation of signal and background
- Agreement between sWeighted B^+ data and MC



- An unbinned extended maximum likelihood is performed simultaneously to both D^0 decay modes
- Only the total B_c^+ yield is floating

$$N_{B_c^+}^{K\pi} = \frac{N_{B^+}^{K\pi} \varepsilon_{B_c^+}^{K\pi} / \varepsilon_{B^+}^{K\pi}}{N_{B^+}^{K\pi} \varepsilon_{B_c^+}^{K\pi} / \varepsilon_{B^+}^{K\pi} + N_{B^+}^{K\pi\pi\pi} \varepsilon_{B_c^+}^{K\pi\pi\pi} / \varepsilon_{B^+}^{K\pi\pi\pi}} N_{B_c^+}^{\text{tot}}$$

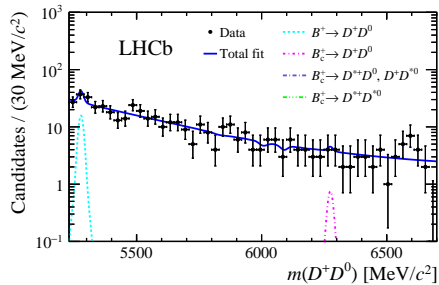
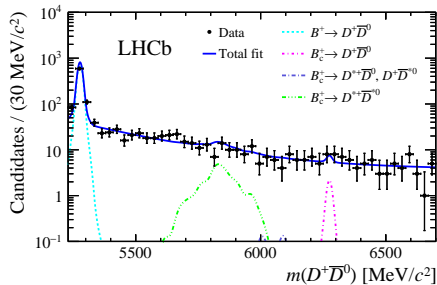
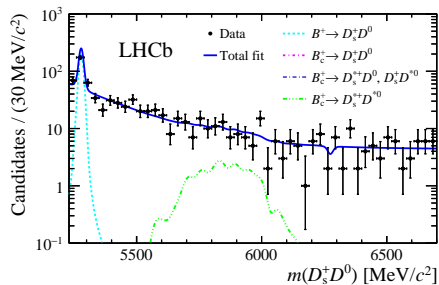
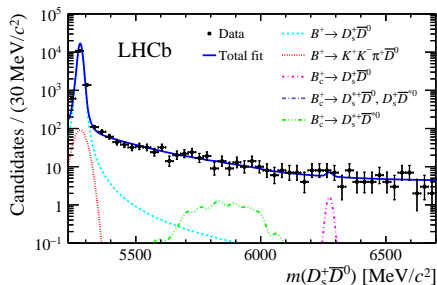
$$N_{B_c^+}^{K\pi\pi\pi} = \frac{N_{B^+}^{K\pi\pi\pi} \varepsilon_{B_c^+}^{K\pi\pi\pi} / \varepsilon_{B^+}^{K\pi\pi\pi}}{N_{B^+}^{K\pi} \varepsilon_{B_c^+}^{K\pi} / \varepsilon_{B^+}^{K\pi} + N_{B^+}^{K\pi\pi\pi} \varepsilon_{B_c^+}^{K\pi\pi\pi} / \varepsilon_{B^+}^{K\pi\pi\pi}} N_{B_c^+}^{\text{tot}}$$

- The efficiencies are measured using MC

Table 2: Ratio $\varepsilon_{B_c^+} / \varepsilon_{B^+}$ of total efficiencies of B_c^+ decays relative to the corresponding fully reconstructed B^+ decays. The quoted uncertainties are statistical only.

Decay channel	Reconstructed state			
	$D_s^+ (\overline{D})^0$ with $D^0 \rightarrow$		$D^+ (\overline{D})^0$ with $D^0 \rightarrow$	
	$K^- \pi^+$	$K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$	$K^- \pi^+$	$K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ (\overline{D})^0$	0.420 ± 0.005	0.373 ± 0.009	0.441 ± 0.007	0.398 ± 0.010
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{*+} (\overline{D})^0, D_{(s)}^+ (\overline{D})^{*0}$	0.372 ± 0.006	0.317 ± 0.010	0.381 ± 0.008	0.337 ± 0.011
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{*+} (\overline{D})^{*0}$	0.339 ± 0.006	0.278 ± 0.009	0.342 ± 0.007	0.297 ± 0.010

Mass fits: $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$



Systematics on the yields

Table 4: Systematic uncertainties on the B_c^+ yields, for the combined fit to both the $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$ and the $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$ decay channels. The total systematic uncertainty is calculated as the quadratic sum of the individual components.

Source	Reconstructed state			
	$D_s^+ \bar{D}^0$	$D_s^+ D^0$	$D^+ \bar{D}^0$	$D^+ D^0$
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^0$				
Signal shape	0.25	0.28	0.31	0.13
Signal model	0.40	0.34	0.61	0.44
B_c^+ mass	0.64	0.62	0.79	0.51
Background model	1.12	1.75	1.88	0.56
Fit bias	0.70	1.28	0.27	0.19
Total	1.54	2.30	2.17	0.91
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{*+} \bar{D}^0, D_{(s)}^+ \bar{D}^{*0}$				
Signal composition	7.6	5.5	7.1	5.7
Background model	11.9	17.5	16.4	4.5
Fit bias	5.5	9.4	3.9	1.3
Total	15.2	20.6	18.3	7.4
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{*+} \bar{D}^{*0}$				
Polarisation	23	14	9	5
Background model	43	98	37	9
Fit bias	10	7	8	1
Total	49	99	39	10

Systematics on the normalisation

Table 5: Systematic uncertainties, in %, on the normalisation of the B_c^+ branching fraction determination. The total systematic uncertainty is calculated as the quadratic sum of the individual components.

Channel	Source	Reconstructed state			
		$D_s^+ \overline{D}^0$, with $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$	$K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$	$D^+ \overline{D}^0$, with $D^0 \rightarrow K^- \pi^+$	$K^- \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+$
Common	B^+ stat.	0.7	0.9	3.1	4.3
	B^+ signal shape	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
	B^+ signal model	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3
	Background model	0.0	0.6	1.6	1.3
	$B^+ \rightarrow \overline{D}^0 K^+ K^- \pi^+$	1.4	1.4	—	—
	B_c^+ lifetime	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
	PID	2.4	0.9	1.2	3.2
	D^0 model	—	1.1	—	0.7
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^+ \overline{D}^0$	Simulation stat.	1.2	2.4	1.6	2.5
	Total	3.5	3.6	4.3	6.3
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{*+} \overline{D}^0, D_{(s)}^+ \overline{D}^{*0}$	Simulation stat.	1.7	3.3	2.0	3.3
	Signal composition	1.0	0.8	0.7	2.6
	Total	3.8	4.3	4.5	7.1
$B_c^+ \rightarrow D_{(s)}^{*+} \overline{D}^{*0}$	Simulation stat.	1.7	3.4	2.0	3.3
	Polarisation	1.5	0.4	1.4	1.3
	$\mathcal{B}(D^{*+} \rightarrow D^+ \pi^0, \gamma)$	—	—	1.5	1.5
	Total	3.9	4.4	4.9	6.9