

First observation and polarization of $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ at LHCb

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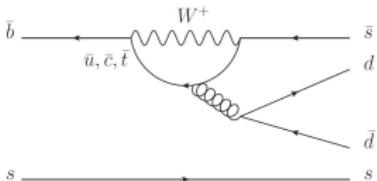
Introduction

- $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ is a pure $b \rightarrow s$ penguin decay which has never been observed so far.

Loops are particularly sensitive to New Physics. Penguin are dominated by the heaviest particles in SM: t , W^\pm , Z^0 ...

Are there more heavy particles interfering?

- $b \rightarrow d$ and $b \rightarrow s$ only allowed in SM by loops. $b \rightarrow d$ have been explored at B-factories but very little is known about $b \rightarrow s$ transitions ($B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ is an example). This is the arena of LHCb.
- U-spin rotations, $d \leftrightarrow s$, are genuine flavour symmetries. Standard EW and QCD physics predict small breaking ($\lesssim 10\%$)
- Very interesting for precision CP-violation studies, where $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ channel is used to control the theoretical error.





Introduction

- $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ is a decay into two light vector mesons

$$H_0 \gg H_{+1} \gg H_{-1}, \quad \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}}{m_b}\right)^{0,1,2}$$

- Predictions in the framework of QCD factorization are $(9.1_{-6.8}^{+11.3}) \times 10^{-6}$ for the branching fraction and $f_L = 0.63_{-0.29}^{+0.42}$ for the longitudinal fraction (improved to $(7.9_{-3.9}^{+4.3}) \times 10^{-6}$ and $f_L = 0.72_{-0.21}^{+0.16}$ when experimental input is used)¹.
- Recently updated SM prediction for the ratio of the longitudinal BR of $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ and its U-spin rotated channel $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$. (See *New Physics mixing angles from penguin decays* by Javier Virto, Red de Física del sabor)

¹Beneke et al. arXiv:hep-ph/0612290v2 [hep-ph] Dec 21, 2006



Introduction

- Searched for at SLD $\rightarrow \mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}) < 1.68 \times 10^{-3}$ (90% CL).
- $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ was observed by BaBar

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}) = (1.28_{-0.30}^{+0.35} \pm 0.11) \times 10^{-6}$$

$$f_L(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}) = 0.80_{-0.12}^{+0.10} \pm 0.06$$

- LHCb paper ready for publication in Physics Letters B



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First observation of the decay $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$

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LHCb key features

- **VELO:**

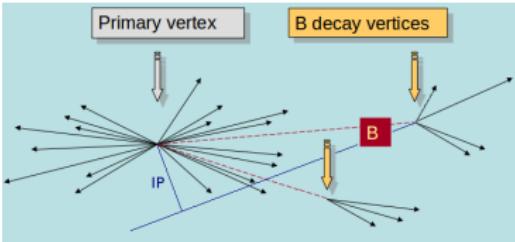
Provides precise information of PV and SV.
 Good IP resolution ($16 \text{ } \mu\text{m} + 30 \text{ } \mu\text{m}/p_T$ (GeV/c)).

- **Tracking System & Magnet:**

Momentum resolution 0.3%-0.5%
 (3-100 GeV/c).

- **RICH detectors:**

Allows $K - \pi$ separation.





Data sample and Event Selection

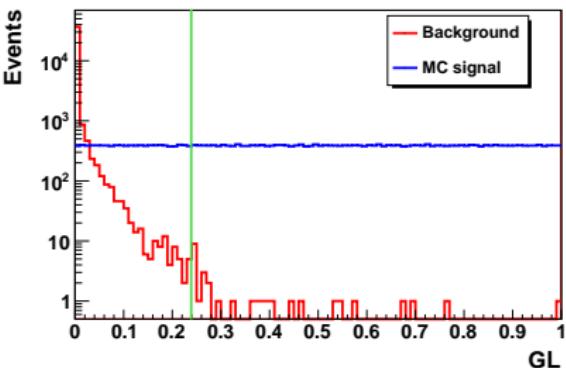
- 35 pb^{-1} collected in the 2010 run by LHCb (7 TeV).
- $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}(K^+\pi^-)\bar{K}^{*0}(K^-\pi^+)$

- Loose cuts

Selection cuts	
All tracks p_T	$> 500 \text{ MeV}$
All tracks $\text{IP}\chi^2$	> 9
All tracks χ^2	< 5
K^\pm PID $_{K-\pi}$	> 0
π^\pm PID $_{K-\pi}$	< 0
K^{*0} mass window	$\pm 150 \text{ MeV}$
K^{*0} p_T	$> 900 \text{ MeV}$
K^{*0} vertex χ^2	< 9
$\cos(K^{*0})$	> 0
B_s mass window	$\pm 500 \text{ MeV}$
B_s DOCA	$< 0.3mm$
B_s vertex χ^2/ndof	< 5
B_s $\text{IP}\chi^2$	< 25
GL	> 0.24

- Geometrical Likelihood (GL)

- Minimum $\text{IP}\chi^2$ of the four tracks
- B_s^0 $\text{IP}\chi^2$
- B_s^0 proper time
- B_s^0 p_T





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

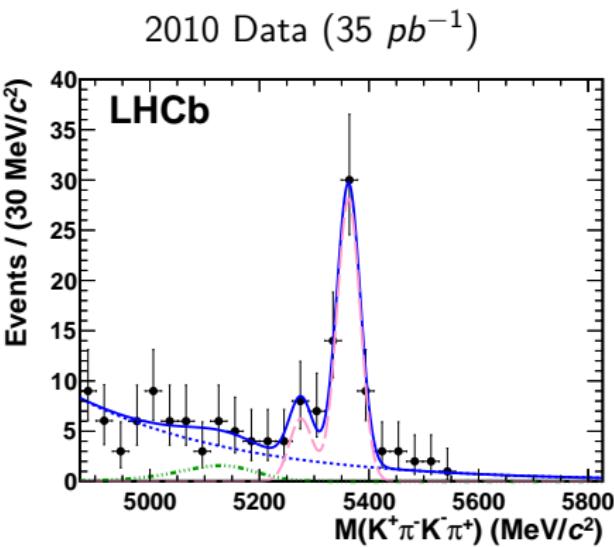
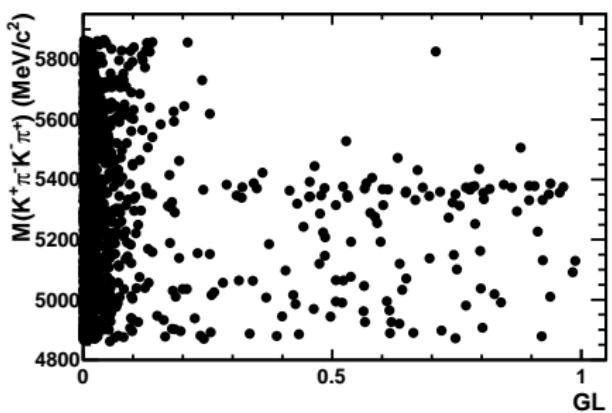
Signal:

$$N_{B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\bar{K}^{*0}} = 50.1 \pm 7.5$$

$$N_{B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\bar{K}^{*0}} = 11.2 \pm 4.3$$

Impressive background conditions:

- Combinatorial
- Partially reconstructed B decays



10.9 σ significance

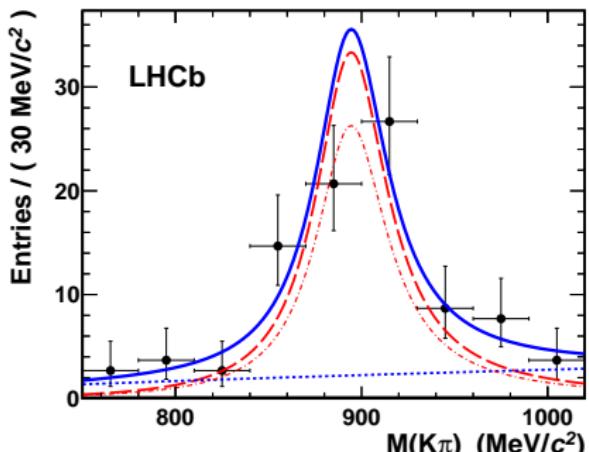


$K^+\pi^-$ and $K^-\pi^+$ mass distribution

- 2D maximum likelihood fit
 $M(K^+\pi^-) \times M(K^-\pi^+)$ to data with
 $|M(K^+\pi^- K^-\pi^+) - m_{B_s^0}| < 50$ MeV/ c^2 :
 $(62 \pm 18)\%$ of $K^{*0}\bar{K}^{*0}$
- Background subtracted using shape from the sidebands of the B_s^0 mass spectrum.
- Nonresonant component (linear \times phase space)

$$S(m) = (1 + bm)P(m)$$

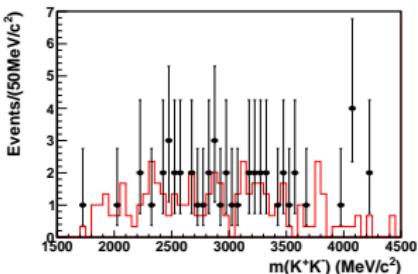
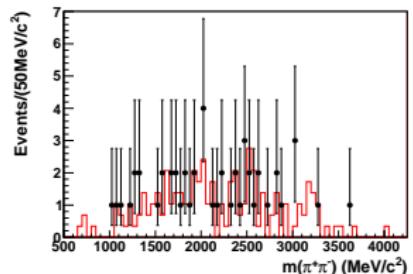
$$\mathcal{L} = \alpha BW(m_1)BW(m_2) + \beta(1 - \beta)(BW(m_1)S(m_2) + BW(m_2)S(m_1)) + \beta^2 S(m_1)S(m_2)$$



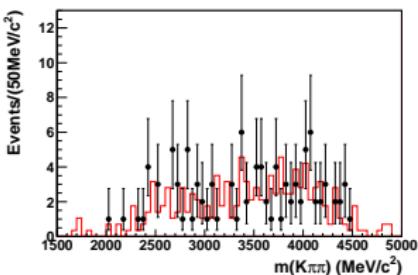
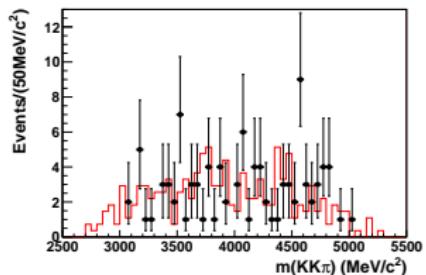


Further signal evidence

K^+K^- and $\pi^+\pi^-$ mass distributions: No resonant structure (J/ψ or other) is observed, which might be indicative of a specific background or reflection channel.



$K^+K^-\pi^\pm$ spectrum starts above any known charm resonance. In particular, $\bar{B}_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^+\pi^-$ is ruled out as a possible background for our signal.





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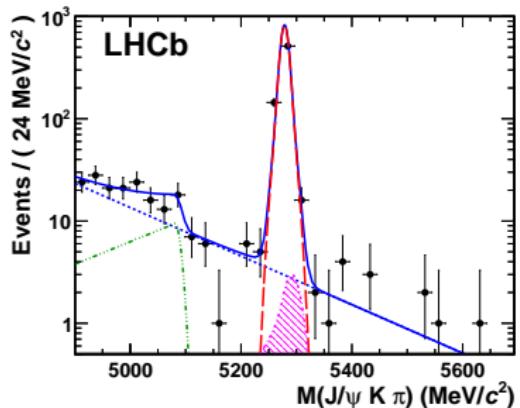
Determination of the BR

- Measure the $\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0})$ using $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$ as a control channel for normalization.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}) &= \lambda_{f_L} \times \frac{\epsilon_{B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}}^{sel}}{\epsilon_{B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}}^{sel}} \times \frac{\epsilon_{B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}}^{trig}}{\epsilon_{B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}}^{trig}} \\ &\times \frac{N_{B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}}}{N_{B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}}} \times \mathcal{B}_{vis}(B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}) \times \frac{f_d}{f_s} \times \frac{9}{4}, \end{aligned}$$

- $\mathcal{B}_{vis}(B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}) = \mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}) \times \mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \times \mathcal{B}(K^{*0} \rightarrow K^+ \pi^-)$
- $\frac{f_s}{f_d} = 0.253 \pm 0.017 \pm 0.017 \pm 0.020$
(LHCb recent measurement accepted in P.R.L.)
- Rely on MC to estimate the ratios of selection and trigger efficiencies.
- No flat acceptance in the K^{*0} polarization angle \Rightarrow Polarization dependent overall acceptance (λ_{f_L}).

Selection of control channel



- Similar topology to the signal → Selection criteria harmonization easy. Same cuts when possible and use the same GL as for the signal.
- Higher trigger efficiency due to muon triggers → Consider only hadron triggers.

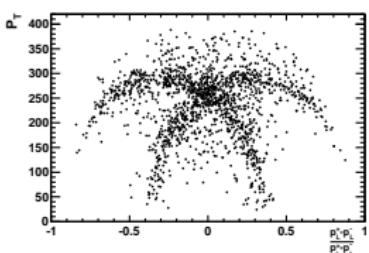
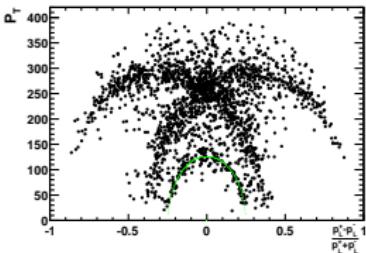
Variable	Cut
All tracks p_T	>500 MeV
K and π IP χ^2	>9
μ^- and μ^+ IP χ^2	>25
K^\pm PID $K-\pi$	>2
π^\pm PID $K-\pi$	<0
K^{*0} p_T	>900 MeV
K^{*0} vertex χ^2	< 9
K^{*0} mass window	± 150 MeV
J/ψ p_T	>900 MeV
J/ψ flight distance χ^2	>169
J/ψ DOCA	<0.3 mm
J/ψ vertex χ^2	<9
J/ψ mass window	± 60 MeV
B^0 IP χ^2	<25
B^0 vertex χ^2/ndof	< 5
B^0 flight distance χ^2	>225
$B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$ GL	>0.24



Ratio of selection efficiencies

	$\epsilon^{sel} (\%)$
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$	0.370 ± 0.005
$B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$	0.547 ± 0.007
ratio	0.678 ± 0.013

- Systematic effects:
 - Data/MC discrepancies in vertex and track quality (smeared MC): 2%
 - K PID cuts: Comparison data/MC using $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$ data (tighter K^{*0} mass cut) $\Rightarrow k_{PID} = 1.098 \pm 0.019$
Systematic error: 1.7%





Ratio of trigger efficiencies

- $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$: Accept events only when the trigger decisions were not initiated by muon-tagged tracks from the signal.
- Data driven method to determine trigger efficiencies² for $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0} \Rightarrow -9\%$ correction
- Systematic uncertainty: 11%
- Detector occupancies are larger by a 10% in the real data $\Rightarrow +4.5\%$ correction

	ϵ^{trig} (%)
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$	37.12 ± 0.39
$B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$	31.16 ± 0.63
ratio	1.191 ± 0.027

²E. Lopez Asamar et al.,
LHCb-PUB-2007-073



Correction for nonresonant signal

- $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$:
 - $\sim 8\%$ S-wave observed by BaBar.
 - LHCb measurement yields a $(9 \pm 4)\%$ contribution (extrapolating to our ± 150 MeV/ c^2 window).
- $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$:
 - Contribution is doubled
 - Our direct measurement of $(17 \pm 8)\%$ is still lacking precision
- Assume a 9% S-wave for each K^{*0} or \bar{K}^{*0} and compute the correction to the BR:

$$\frac{f_{K^* \bar{K}^{*0}}}{f_{J/\psi K^*}} = \frac{(1 - 0.09)^2}{1 - 0.09} = 0.910$$

- Assign a 50% error to this hypothesis $\Rightarrow 5\%$ systematic uncertainty in \mathcal{B}



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Angular distribution

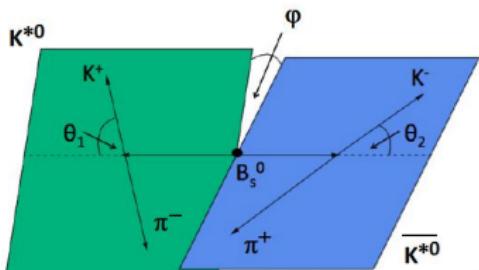
$$I(\theta_1, \theta_2, \varphi) = \frac{d^3\Gamma}{d \cos \theta_1 d \cos \theta_2 d\varphi} = \left(\begin{array}{lll} \frac{1}{\Gamma_L} & |A_0|^2 & \cos^2 \theta_1 \cos^2 \theta_2 + \\ \frac{1}{\Gamma_L} & |A_{\parallel}|^2 & \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \theta_1 \sin^2 \theta_2 \cos^2 \varphi + \\ \frac{1}{\Gamma_H} & |A_{\perp}|^2 & \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \theta_1 \sin^2 \theta_2 \sin^2 \varphi + \\ \frac{1}{\Gamma_L} & |A_0| & |A_{\parallel}| \cos \delta_{\parallel} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sin 2\theta_1 \sin 2\theta_2 \cos \varphi \end{array} \right)$$

$$A_0 = H_0$$

$$A_{\parallel} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(H_{+1} + H_{-1})$$

$$A_{\perp} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(H_{+1} - H_{-1})$$

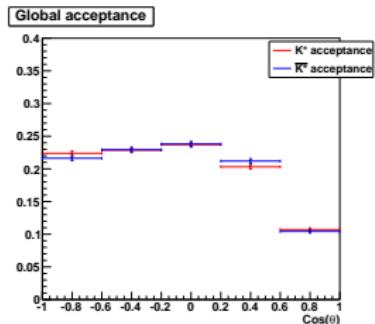
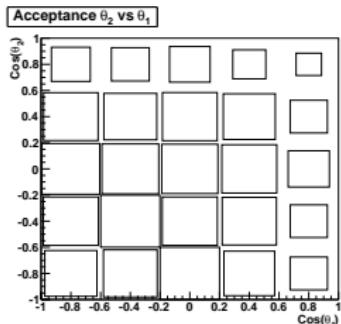
$$\text{Normalization} \Rightarrow |A_0|^2 + |A_{\parallel}|^2 + |A_{\perp}|^2 = 1$$



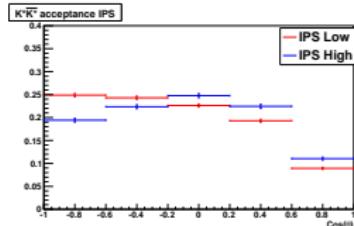
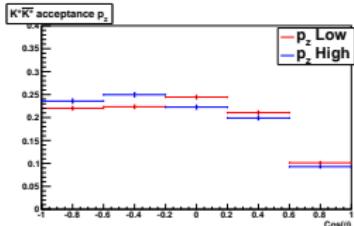
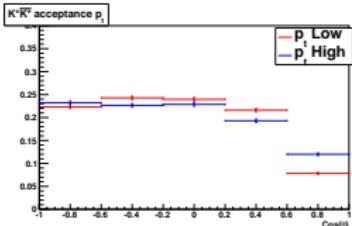


Angular Acceptance

- Flat acceptance in φ .
- Acceptance in $\theta_{1,2}$ drops to zero as $\cos\theta \rightarrow 1$.



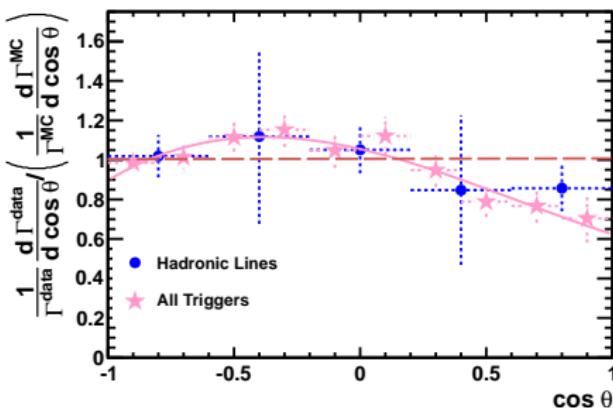
- $\epsilon(\theta)$ depends significantly on K^{*0} momentum (p_T, p_z) and on the IP of the daughters.



Angular Acceptance correction

- Acceptance ratio $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$ data/MC

With high statistics sample (adding muon triggers) a 10% discrepancy is detected.





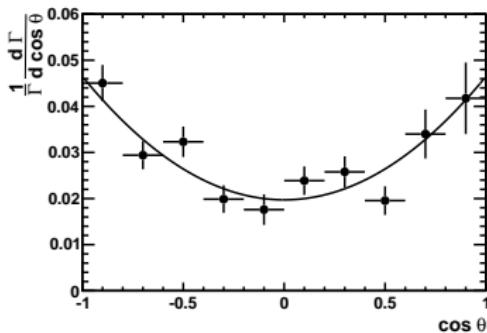
Validation with $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$

- We reproduce BaBar and CDF measurements on $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$ data

$$PDF(\cos\theta) = A (2f_L \cos^2 \theta + (1 - f_L) \sin^2 \theta)$$

- Angular acceptance from MC cross-checked with $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$ data.
- Measured longitudinal polarization fraction

$$f_L = 0.541 \pm 0.033$$



BaBar: $0.569 \pm 0.009 \pm 0.009$

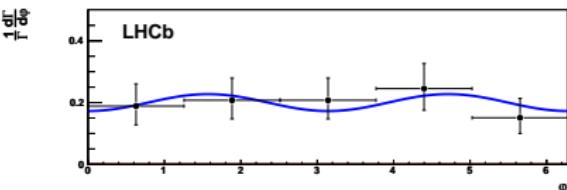
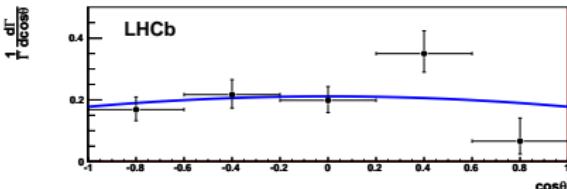
CDF: $0.531 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.007$

Fit results

- Fit to $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ data in the signal region ($m_{B_s} \pm 50$ MeV/c²)

$$\text{PDF} = (1 - \alpha)\epsilon_\theta(\theta_1)\epsilon_\theta(\theta_2) I(\theta_1, \theta_2, \varphi) + \alpha(1 + \beta \cos \theta_1)(1 + \beta \cos \theta_2)\epsilon_\theta(\theta_1)\epsilon_\theta(\theta_2)$$

- Background fraction, α , determined from the B_s^0 mass fit. Background shape from the B_s^0 mass sidebands.



Parameter	Value
$f_L = A_0 ^2$	0.30 ± 0.12
$ A_{\parallel} ^2$	0.30 ± 0.10
δ_{\parallel}	1.47 ± 1.85



Systematics on f_L

- Angular acceptance: Fit in various regions of the K^{*0} phase space, and IP of the daughters. (10%)
- Non uniform proper time acceptance: 3%
- Correction data/MC: Change the correction by 100% and check the effect in f_L (7%)
 - Experimental error not accounted for in the simulation.
 - Interference with other partial waves in the $K\pi$ system.

$$f_L = 0.30 \pm 0.12(\text{stat}) \pm 0.04(\text{syst})$$



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Determination of BR

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$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}) = (2.81 \pm 0.46(stat) \pm 0.45(syst) \pm 0.34(f_s/f_d)) \times 10^{-5}$$

Systematic effect	Error (%)
Background subtraction	4.7
Selection efficiency	3.4
Trigger efficiency	11.0
$K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ purity	5.0
Global angular acceptance	7.2
$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0})$ and $\mathcal{B}(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$	4.6
Total	15.9



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- Clear $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ signal has been discovered (10.9σ) with 35 pb^{-1} . Analysis of the $K^+ \pi^- (K^- \pi^+)$ mass distribution shows that most of the signal comes from $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$, with some S-wave contribution.
- The K^{*0} longitudinal polarization fraction has been measured:

$$f_L = 0.30 \pm 0.12(\text{stat}) \pm 0.04(\text{syst})$$

Remarkable difference between $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ and $B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$, which are strict U-spin partners (BaBar: $f_L = 0.80^{+0.10}_{-0.12}(\text{stat}) \pm 0.04(\text{syst})$).

- Sizeable f_{\perp} (CP-odd) contribution ($f_{\perp} = 0.38 \pm 0.11(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.04(\text{syst.})$).
- A measurement of the branching fraction has been performed using as normalisation reference the channel $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$,

$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}) = (2.81 \pm 0.46(\text{stat}) \pm 0.45(\text{syst}) \pm 0.34(f_s/f_d)) \times 10^{-5}$$



$\Delta\Gamma$ in the BR measurement

- $BR \sim \mathcal{A}_0^2 + \mathcal{A}_{\parallel}^2 + \mathcal{A}_{\perp}^2$
- Two mass eigenstates involved, with $\Delta\Gamma/\Gamma = \Gamma_L - \Gamma_H$ ($\sim 16\%$).
Interesting LHCb preliminary measurement $\Delta\Gamma$ from $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi \phi$ (See *LHCb* by Cibran Santamarina, Plenary session).
- Time integration enhances CP-even spin factors:

$$f_K = f_k^0 \left(1 + \eta_k \frac{\Delta\Gamma}{2\Gamma} \right)$$

where $\eta_k = +1, +1, -1$ for $f = L, \parallel, \perp$.

- Therefore BR becomes sensitive to $\Delta\Gamma$:

$$(BR)_{theo} = (BR)_{exp} \left(1 + \frac{\Delta\Gamma}{2\Gamma} (|A_0|^2 + |A_{\parallel}|^2 - |A_{\perp}|^2) \right)$$

only $\sim 3\%$ correction for SM values, apply on theory side.



Future analysis with proper time and flavour tagging

- Next step is time-dependent angular analysis to extract the mixing phase, ϕ_S .

$$\lambda_{B_s} = e^{i\phi_S} \frac{A(\bar{B}_s \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0})}{A(B_s \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0})}$$

- Eventually (LHCb upgrade) we want to measure all the direct C_{kl} and mixing S_{kl} asymmetries (12 of them), including interference terms³:

$$C_{kl} = \frac{f(1 - \lambda_k^* \lambda_l)}{f(1 + \lambda_k^* \lambda_l)} \quad S_{kl} = \frac{f(i(1 - \lambda_k^* \lambda_l))}{f(1 + \lambda_k^* \lambda_l)}$$

where $f = \text{Re}$ (if $k = L$, $l = \parallel$) or $f = \text{Im}$ (if $k = L$, \parallel , $l = \perp$).

³R.Fleischer, M.Gronau arXiv:0709.4013v2 [hep-ph] (2007)



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BACKUP



Geometrical Likelihood (I)

Training:

- Gaussianization:

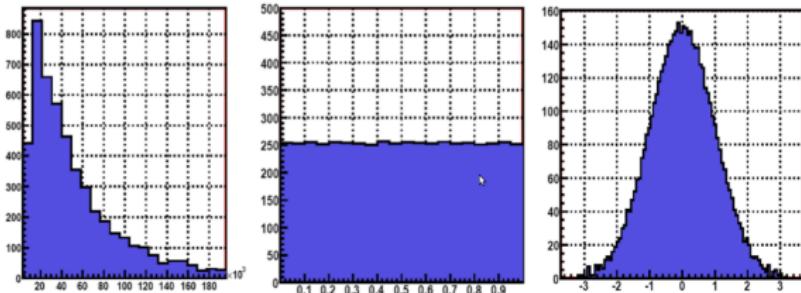
- Transform the variables X_i in $[0,1]$ uniform distributed $U_i(X_i)$
- Transform them into gaussian distributed: $G_i(X_i)$.

$$U_i(X_i) = \frac{\int_{X_{min}}^{X_i} \rho(x'_i) dx'_i}{\int_{X_{min}}^{X_{max}} \rho(x'_i) dx'_i}$$

- Decorrelate and re-gaussianize:

- Rotate to the symmetry axis and gaussianize again
- Produce a set $\{S_i\}$ of uncorrelated gaussian distributed variables for the signal, and another different set $\{B_i\}$ for the background.

$$G_i(X_i) = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{erf}^{-1}(2U_i(X_i) - 1)$$

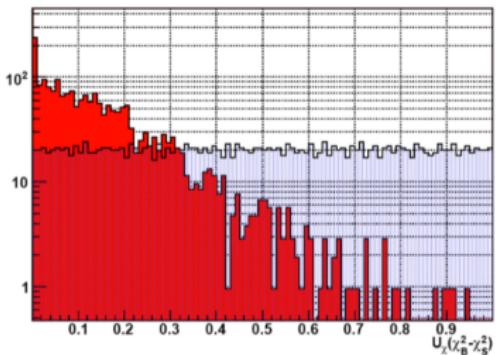


Geometrical Likelihood (II)

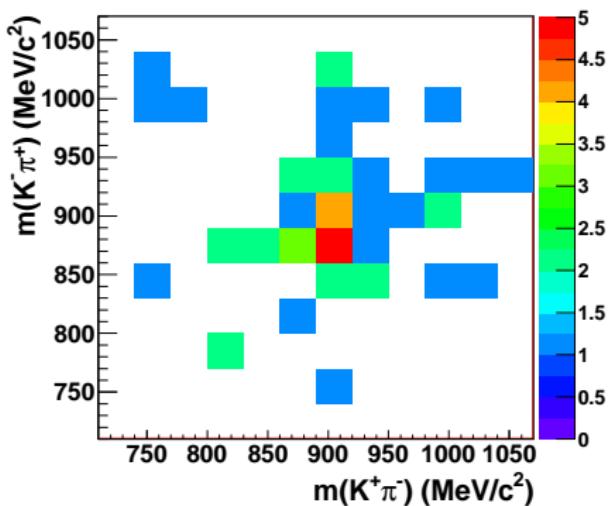
Apply the method to the signal and background samples.

For each event:

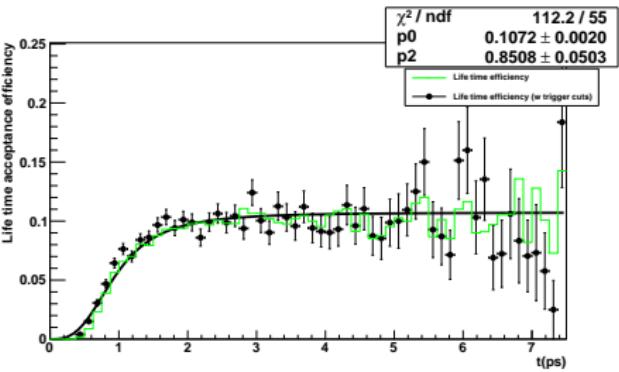
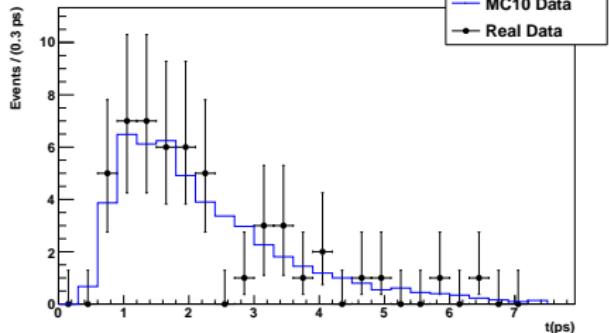
- Calculate the χ^2 for the signal hypothesis, $\chi_S^2 = \sum S_i^2$.
- Calculate the χ^2 for the background hypothesis, $\chi_B^2 = \sum B_i^2$.
- Calculate $\Delta\chi^2 = \chi_B^2 - \chi_S^2$ and transform it into a uniform variable $U_{\chi^2}(\Delta\chi^2)$ in $[0,1]$ for the signal, so that the background will cluster near 0.



$K^+\pi^-$ and $K^-\pi^+$ mass distribution



B_s^0 propertime



Effect of selection cuts in lifetime acceptance.

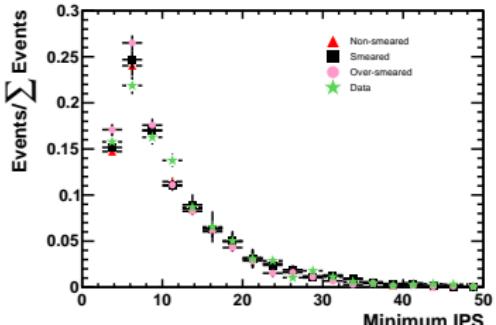
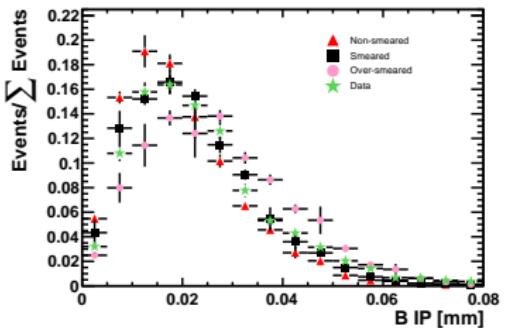
$$\varepsilon(t) = p_0 \left(\frac{t^3}{t^3 + p_2} \right)$$



Ratio of selection efficiencies (I)

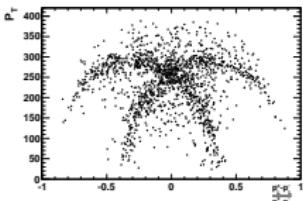
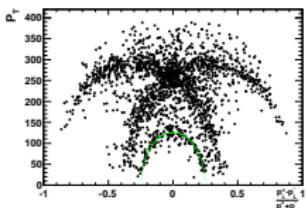
- Smeared MC: Change initial state of the tracks.
- Data always bound by non-smeared and over-smeared MC.
- Systematic uncertainty: 2%

	ϵ^{sel} (%)
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$	0.370 ± 0.005
$B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$	0.547 ± 0.007
ratio	0.678 ± 0.013



Ratio of selection efficiencies (II)

- K PID cuts → Comparison data/MC using $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$ data (tighter K^{*0} mass cut).



$K^{*0} P_T$ range (GeV/c)	$\frac{\epsilon_{data}}{\epsilon_{MC}}$ with $\Delta_{LL}(K - \pi)_K > 0$	$\frac{\epsilon_{data}}{\epsilon_{MC}}$ with $\Delta_{LL}(K - \pi)_K > 2$
0-2.5	0.920 ± 0.015	0.934 ± 0.019
2.5-5	0.897 ± 0.013	0.888 ± 0.014
> 5	0.944 ± 0.026	0.915 ± 0.031

- \mathcal{B} correction factor due to PID discrepancies: $k_{PID} = 1.098 \pm 0.019$
- Kaon PID systematic: 1.7%
- Total systematic uncertainty from selection efficiencies: 3.4%



Ratio of trigger efficiencies

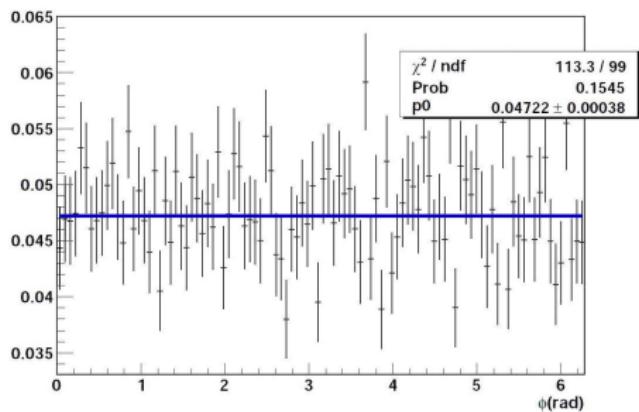
- $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$: Accept events only when the trigger decisions were not initiated by muon-tagged tracks from the signal.
- Data driven method to determine trigger efficiencies⁴ for $B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0} \Rightarrow -9\%$ correction
- Systematic uncertainty: 11%
- Detector occupancies are larger by a 10% in the real data $\Rightarrow +4.5\%$ correction

	ϵ^{trig} (%)
$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$	37.12 ± 0.39
$B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K^{*0}$	31.16 ± 0.63
ratio	1.191 ± 0.027

⁴E. Lopez Asamar et al.,
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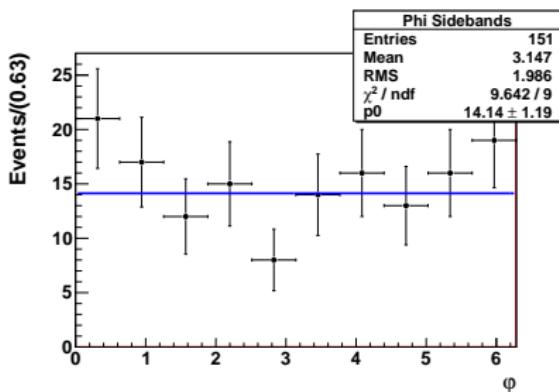
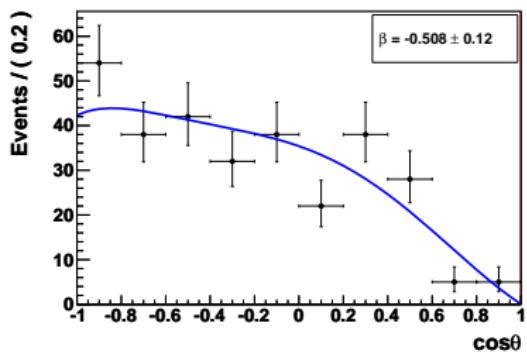
Angular acceptance

- Flat acceptance in φ



Background

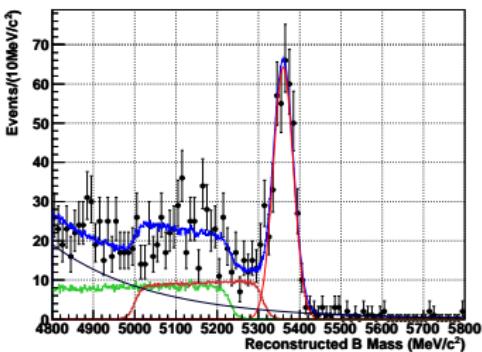
- Two side bands of 200 MeV/c^2 width each, left and right to the signal window ($m_{B_s} \pm 50$ MeV/c^2).
- $\cos\theta$ dependence was parametrized as $\epsilon_\theta \times (1 + \beta \cos\theta)$
- Flat φ distribution is consistent with the data.





BR: Cross-Check using $B_s \rightarrow D_s \pi$

- Same final state ($K^+ \pi^- K^- \pi^+$) but different topology.
- Selection harmonized, where possible, the $B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}$ one. Efficiency evaluated from MC10 $\epsilon^{sel/gen} = 2.16\%$.
- Trigger efficiency evaluated from MC $\epsilon^{trig/sel} = 42.3\%$
- Generator efficiency $\epsilon^{gen} = 16.1\%$



$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \bar{K}^{*0}) = [2.45 \pm 0.41(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.37(\text{B.R.})] \times 10^{-5}$$

- Systematic error dominated by the knowledge of $\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow D_s \pi)$.