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Charmonium and Heavy Flavour Production at LHCb

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Charmonium Production at LHCb

The underlying mechanism for the production of prompt charmonium at hadron colliders is a topic of great theoretical interest. Furthermore, charmonium can also be exploited as a tag of b-production. LHCb studies will be shown using data accumulated in the 2010 run which address these issues.

Measurements of production will be presented for both prompt and secondary J/psi events and a comparison made with theoretical expectation. Results will also be shown for other charmonium states, and for the upsilon system.

Open Heavy Flavour Production at LHCb

The LHCb physics programme relies of the reconstruction of the decays of B and D hadrons. An important first step in this programme is to demonstrate that this reconstruction can be done with high efficiency, and to establish the production cross-section for these hadrons in pp collisions at \sqrt{s} =7~TeV.

The differential cross-section has now been measured at LHCb using a variety of methods both for charm and beauty production. These measurements will be presented and a comparison made with theoretical expectations.

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