

## Overview of the Genova analyses

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# Outline

**Physics topics** Three and four-body charmless baryonic B decays allow to study different aspects of the Standard Model:

- Measurements of CP asymmetry
- Searches for intermediate exotic states
- Measurements of baryonic decay branching fractions

**Ongoing analyses** Three and four-body charmless baryonic B decays

- Study of  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow p\bar{p})h^+h^-$  where  $h^\pm = K^\pm, \pi^\pm$
- Search for exotic  $Z^-$ -like states in the  $\eta_c\pi^-$  invariant mass in  $B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow p\bar{p})K^+\pi^-$
- Search for new charmonium and charmonium-like states in  $B^+ \rightarrow p\bar{p}K^+$  decays

## Study of $B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow p\bar{p})h^+h^-$

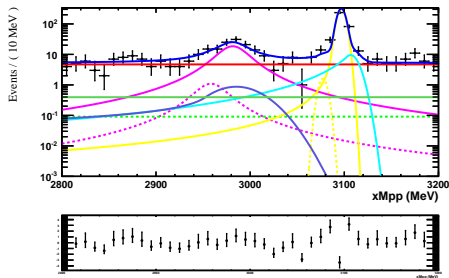
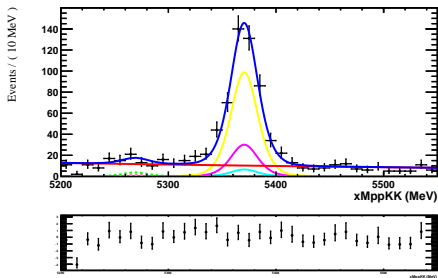
# Original physics motivations

- Measure **CP-violating phase**  $\phi_s$  through a time-dependent measurement of mixing-induced CP violation
- $\phi_s$  is expected to be small in the Standard Model and is therefore sensitive to **new physics** contributions
- Differences w.r.t.  $B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi h^+h^-$ :
  - **no** CP angular analysis is required
  - statistical **limitation**  $\mathcal{B}(\eta_c \rightarrow p\bar{p}) = 1.5 \times 10^{-3}$
  - **lower** trigger efficiency w.r.t  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

# Selection and fit strategy

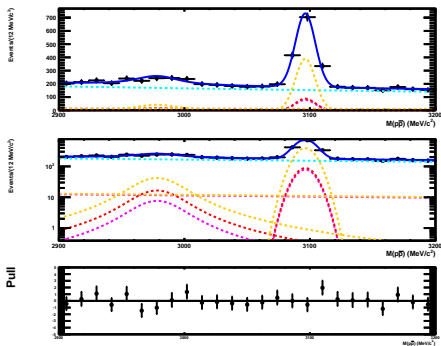
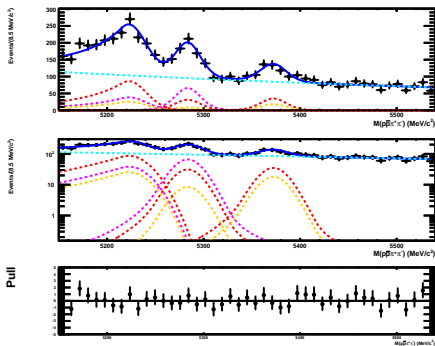
- Developed a **dedicated stripping line** in order to study  $B_{(s)}^0 \rightarrow p\bar{p}h^+h^-$   
→ no requirements on  $p\bar{p}$  and  $h^+h^-$  invariant masses
- Optimize MVA selection for a discrete set of PID criteria  
→ choose the combination that provides the **best performance**  
→ **separate** offline and PID selection makes life easier for systematics
- MVA trained and tested using topological and kinematical variables
  - signal** MC2011 and MC2012 samples merged
  - background** right sideband defined in order to avoid partially reconstructed background
- **Common fit strategy** with other modes  $B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow 4h)\phi(\rightarrow K^+K^-)$   
→ bidimensional fit to  $M_{p\bar{p}h^+h^-}$  and  $M_{p\bar{p}}$  spectra  
→ 3D fit under investigation in order to separate S-wave component in the KK invariant mass

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$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\phi(\rightarrow K^+K^-)$ : bidimensional fit

$$N(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\phi) = 314 \pm 19$$

$$N(B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\phi) = 96 \pm 12$$

$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\pi^+\pi^-$ : bidimensional fit

$$N(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\pi^+\pi^-) = 146 \pm 16$$

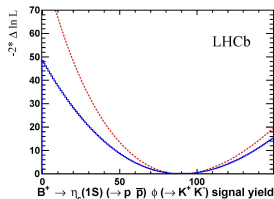
$$N(B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\pi^+\pi^-) = 75 \pm 18$$

# Current status

$$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\phi(\rightarrow K^+K^-)$$

- Evaluation of the efficiencies and the systematic uncertainties: done
- Preliminary measurement with statistical significance of  $7.0\sigma$   

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\phi(\rightarrow K^+K^-))}{\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\phi(\rightarrow K^+K^-))} = 0.312 \pm 0.044 \pm 0.015$$
- Analysis note ready for WG circulation: [twiki](#)



$$B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\pi^+\pi^-$$

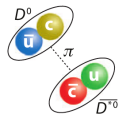
- Optimization of the offline selection and fit procedure: done
- Evaluation of the efficiencies and the systematic uncertainties: ongoing
- First measurement of the  $\frac{\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\pi^+\pi^-)}{\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow J/\psi(\rightarrow p\bar{p})\pi^+\pi^-)}$  ongoing
- We started to write the analysis note



## Search for exotic $Z^-$ -like states in $B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(1S)(\rightarrow p\bar{p})K^+\pi^-$

# Exotic states

- A number of charmonium-like mesons (X, Y, Z) have been recently observed
  - many **different production mechanisms**: ISR,  $e^+e^-$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$  and B decays
  - the measured masses and properties **do not fit** the quarkonia picture
- Many theoretical interpretations
  - conventional quarkonia
  - tetra-quarks states
  - meson-molecules
  - hybrid mesons
  - threshold effects



$D^0-\bar{D}^0$  "molecule"



Diquark-diantiquark



$q\bar{q}$ -gluon hybrid

# Physics motivations

- $B$  decays constitutes the principal environment for the study of **exotic states**
- Several **charged** charmonium-like states (minimal quark content  $c\bar{c}u\bar{d}$ ) have been observed in spectra ( $c\bar{c}$ ) $\pi^+$  ( $c\bar{c} = \psi(2S), \chi_{c1}, J/\psi$ )
- LHCb confirmed the existence of the tetraquark  $Z^+(4430)(\rightarrow \psi(2S)\pi^+)$  and recently observed the first evidence of a pentaquark:  $P_c^+(4450)(\rightarrow J/\psi p)$
- It is important to search for other charged charmonium-like states in other  $B^0 \rightarrow (c\bar{c})K^+\pi^-$  decays
- States have been predicted to decay to  $\eta_c(1S)\pi^+$  with mass  $\sim 3800 \text{ MeV}/c^2$   
arXiv: 1304.0380, arXiv:1305.6905

# Considerations and plans

- The search of exotic states in this channel is **experimentally difficult**
  - statistical **limitation**
  - **lower** trigger efficiency of  $p\bar{p}$  w.r.t  $\mu^+\mu^-$

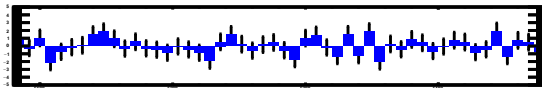
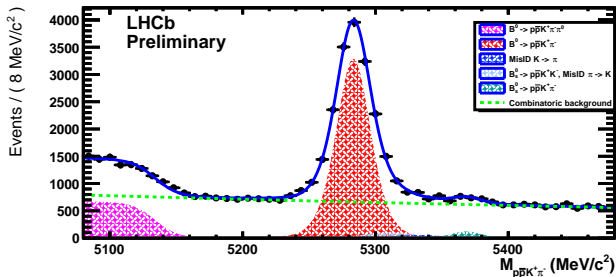
**But...**

- Having three pseudoscalars in the final state, the decay is fully parametrized by **two independent variables**  $\rightarrow$  easier angular distribution
- 4 different particles  $\rightarrow$  no swapping between  $\pi^\pm/K^\pm$  from  $B^0$  or  $\eta_c(1S)$

**Plans:**

- Study the Dalitz plot with **Laura++** package in order to perform an amplitude analysis of the decay with the aim to search for exotic resonances
- Study the  $K^+\pi^-$  dynamics and angular structure using Legendre polynomial moments
- Measure branching fractions of other charmonium decays to  $p\bar{p}$ , as  $\eta_c(2S) \rightarrow p\bar{p}$

# Fit to the $B^0 \rightarrow p\bar{p}K^+\pi^-$ spectrum

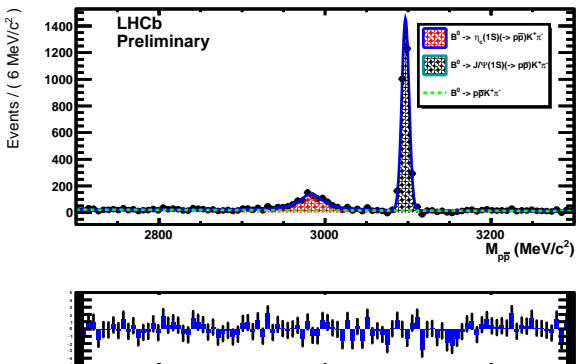


$$N(B^0 \rightarrow p\bar{p}K^+\pi^-) = 14349 \pm 194$$

$$N(B_s^0 \rightarrow p\bar{p}K^+\pi^-) = 463 \pm 77$$

# Fit to the $p\bar{p}$ spectrum: $\eta_c(1S)$ and $J/\psi$ range

$s$ Plot technique used to extract signal events in the decay

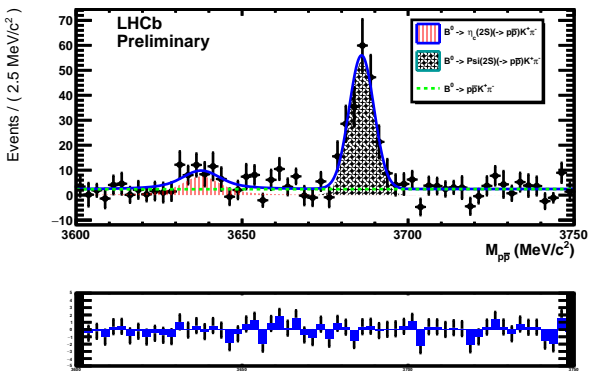


$$N(B^0 \rightarrow J/\psi(\rightarrow p\bar{p})K^+\pi^-) = 2645 \pm 75$$

$$N(B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(1S)(\rightarrow p\bar{p})K^+\pi^-) = 1017 \pm 59$$

# Fit to the $p\bar{p}$ spectrum: $\eta_c(2S)$ and $\psi(2S)$ range

Confirmation of  $\eta_c(2S) \rightarrow p\bar{p}$  observation

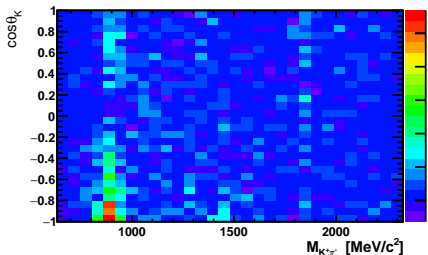
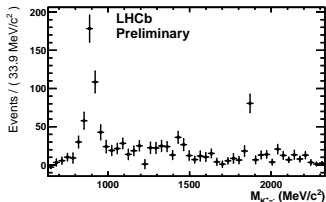
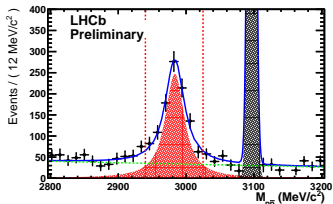


$$N(B^0 \rightarrow \psi(2S)(\rightarrow p\bar{p})K^+\pi^-) = 200 \pm 23$$

$$N(B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(2S)(\rightarrow p\bar{p})K^+\pi^-) = 54 \pm 16$$

# $B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(1S)K^+\pi^-$ squared Dalitz Plot

$\eta_c(1S)$  events selected as the events in the [2940, 3025]  $MeV/c^2$   $p\bar{p}$  range



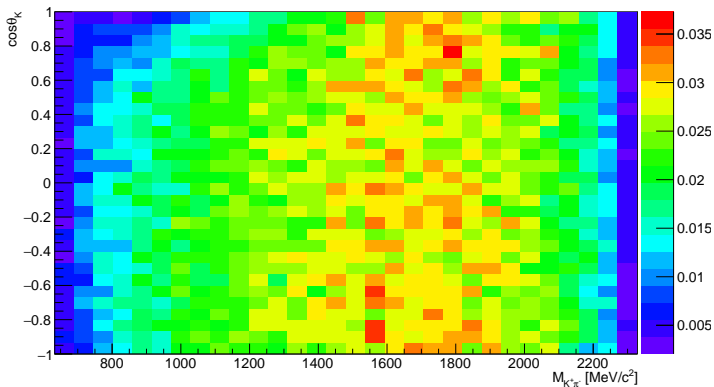
Need to subtract not resonant  $p\bar{p}$  contribution and to correct for efficiency variations





# $B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(1S)K^+\pi^-$ efficiencies

MC11+MC12 phase space  $B^0 \rightarrow \eta_c(1S)K^+\pi^-$  used to parametrize the efficiencies of reconstruction and trigger, stripping, BDT cuts over the squared Dalitz plot



Determination of PID cuts efficiencies using PIDcalib package on-going: [twiki](#)

## Study of $B^+ \rightarrow p\bar{p}K^+$

## Physics motivations and current status

- Charmonium physics  $\rightarrow p\bar{p}$  can be produced through a  $c\bar{c}$  intermediate resonance
- Hadronic spectroscopy  $\rightarrow$  search for exotic intermediate states
- First observation of the decay  $\eta_c(2S) \rightarrow p\bar{p}$
- Upper limit on  $X(3872) \rightarrow p\bar{p}$
- Upper limit on  $\psi(3770) \rightarrow p\bar{p}$

Under RC review: [twiki](#)

## Backup slides

# Stripping I

- requirements on final state kaons (StdNoPIDsKaons):
  - $PT > 300*\text{MeV}$
  - $\text{MIPCHI2DV}(\text{PRIMARY}) > 4.0$
  - $\text{TRCHI2DOF} < 3.0$
  - $P > 1500*\text{MeV}$
  - $\text{TRGHP} < 0.35$
  - $\text{PROBNNk} > 0.05$
- requirements on final state pions (StdNoPIDsPions):
  - $PT > 300*\text{MeV}$
  - $\text{MIPCHI2DV}(\text{PRIMARY}) > 6.0$
  - $\text{TRCHI2DOF} < 3.0$
  - $P > 1500*\text{MeV}$
  - $\text{TRGHP} < 0.35$
  - $\text{PROBNNpi} > 0.05$
- requirements on final state protons (StdNoPIDsProtons):
  - $PT > 300*\text{MeV}$
  - $\text{MIPCHI2DV}(\text{PRIMARY}) > 2.0$
  - $\text{TRCHI2DOF} < 3.0$
  - $P > 1500*\text{MeV}$
  - $\text{TRGHP} < 0.35$
  - $\text{PROBNNp} > 0.05$
- Global Event cut:
  - $\text{nLongTracks} < 200$

## Stripping II

- Using new N\_4BodyDecays algorithm by Vanya in order to possibly save time
- Combination12Cut
  - AM < 4700 (5000) (5350) MeV
  - pPTSUM > 750 MeV
  - pPSUM > 7000 MeV
  - pPTMIN > 400 MeV
  - pPMIN > 4.0 GeV
  - pPROBNNpPROD > 0.05
  - ACHI2DOCA(1,2) < 20
- Combination123Cut
  - AM < 5600 MeV
  - ACHI2DOCA (1,3) < 20.
  - ACHI2DOCA (2,3) < 20.
- PreVertexCuts
  - AMAXDOCA < 0.3
  - 5.0 GeV < AM < 5.6 GeV
  - ACHI2DOCA (1,4) < 20.
  - ACHI2DOCA (2,4) < 20.
  - ACHI2DOCA (3,4) < 20.
- PostVertexCuts
  - BPVDIRA > 0.9999
  - VCHI2 < 30
  - PTsum > 3000 MeV
  - PT(B) > 1000 MeV
  - MIPDV(B) < 0.2 mm
  - 5.05 GeV < M < 5.55 GeV