A SEARCH FOR THE LHCB PENTAQUARK IN J/ψ Photo-production at Hall C (for the J/ψ -007 Collaboration)

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DISCOVERY OF THE LHCB CHARMED (CHARMING!) "PENTAQUARK"

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LHCB CHARMED (CHARMING!) "PENTAQUARK" P_c

E 1400

1200

100

$$\Lambda_b o K^- p J/\Psi$$
Aaij, R, et. al (LHCb) PRL 115-7 (2015)



- 2 P_c states needed to describe the results
 ▶ narrow: P_c(4450),
 - width: \sim 39 MeV
 - ▶ broad: P_c(4380), width: ~ 205 MeV
- Spin/parity either:
 - ► 5/2+, 3/2-(most likely
 - ► 5/2-, 3/2+
 - ► 3/2-, 5/2+





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- $P_c(4450)$ creates narrow peak around $E_\gamma = 10.1$ GeV

J/ψ Photo-production: Current Data Status

ullet measured in many experiments at high $W_\gamma p$

dominated by t channel 2-gluon exchange

almost no data in threshold region







UNPUBLISHED GLUEX DATA



from Lubomir Pentchev's slide

Resonant J/ψ production through P_c decay





- cross section depends on coupling to $(J/\psi p)$ channel
- J/ψ angular distribution depends on P_c spin/parity

(Wang Q., et al., PRD 92-3 (2015)) 034022-7)



Pentaquark Search with E12-16-007 Experiment in Hall C



Experimental Setup (PAC)

► 11 GeV beam energy

► **50** µ**A**

- ▶ 9% copper radiator
- LH2 15 cm target
- ▶ total 10% RL

Experimental Setup (NEW)

- ► 10.6 GeV beam energy
- ► 70 µA
- ► 9% copper radiator
- ► LH2 10 cm target
- ► total 10% RL

E12-16-007 SETTINGS

- t channel (BG) Setting 1: low $E\gamma$, low t
- precise determination of the t channel background
- HMS: 4.95 GeV, 19.1°
 SHMS: 4.835 GeV, 17°

- t channel (BG) Setting 2: high $E\gamma$, low t
- precise determination of the t channel background
- 3006: 4.08 GeV, 19.9°
- Serial 3.5 GeV, 20.1°
- Signal (P_c) Setting:
- minimizes accidentals and maximizes S/B
- HMS: 4.6 GeV, 16.4°
- SHMS: 4.3 GeV, 30°

PHOTON ENERGY RECONSTRUCTION

Initial photon energy can be unambigously reconstructed from the reconstructed J/ψ momentum and energy

Assumptions

- ★ proton target at rest
- ★ photon beam along the z axis
- \star proton and J/ψ are the two final state particles

$$E_{\gamma} = \frac{M_{\psi}^2 - 2E_J M_P}{2(E_{\psi} - M_p - P_{\psi} \cos \theta_{\psi})}$$

Projected results for "background" setting 1 low $E\gamma$, low t



Projected results for "background" setting 2 high $E\gamma$, low t



PROJECTED RESULTS FOR "SIGNAL" SETTING





Impact on J/ψ World Data



SENSITIVITY FOR DISCOVERY



Δ-log-likelihood formalism

• 5σ discovery sensitivity can be reached starting from 1.3%

E12-16-007 EXPERIMENT: RADIATOR FOR PHOTON BEAM

<u>Hall C Bremsstrahlung Radiator (Jan. 2019)</u>

- Link to water-cooled radiator operating procedure TGT-PROC-19-001:
 - https://misportal.jlab.org/jlabDocs/version.seam?docVersionId=121970
 - Copy of



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Bremsstrahlung Radiator

Greg Smith's slide

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PARTICLE IDENTIFICATION

- HMS Momentum Settings
 - ▶ 4.6 GeV, 4.95 GeV, 4.08 GeV
- SHMS Momentum Settings
 - ▶ 4.835 GeV, 4.3 GeV, 3.5 GeV
- PID for HMS:

HMS Cherenkov + Calorimeter

• PID for SHMS

SHMS Noble Gas Cherenkov + Calorimeter

SUMMARY

High impact experiment

- true nature of the LHCb "pentaquark" P_c
- **Strong sensitivity** to the coupling 1.3%
- Contribution to the knowledge of the threshold region of the J/ψ photo-production (absolute cross section)

EXPERIMENT WEBSITE: HTTPS://JPSI-007.SLY2J.COM



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BACKUP SLIDES

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BACKGROUND: INELASTIC t Channel $\gamma_{\rm P} \rightarrow J/\psi_{\rm P}\pi$

- Threshold at 9 GeV
- Reconstructed photon energy Erc is 1 GeV too low
- Contribution to the Contaminates the 8 GeV < Erc < 9.7 GeV range for a photon end-point energy of 10.7 GeV
 - ▶ not an issue for the Pc(4450) (Erc > 9.7GeV)!

BACKGROUND: SINGLE ELECTRON/PION TRACKS

- electron rate estimated using CTEQ5, cross checked with F1F209
- positron rate estimated using EPC combined with a background program from E94-010
- $\,\circ\,$ Contribution to the coincidence rate < 10-5 Hz
- pion rates estimated using Wiser
 - \blacktriangleright Assuming a pion rejection > 103 from the Cherenkov + Calorimeter coincidence rate \sim 10-5 Hz

RESOLUTION

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