



Associated production of heavy flavour





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Muon p_T(μ)>2.5 (3.5) GeV, |η(μ)|ε (1.3,2.5] (ε[0,1.3]) Tracking to p_T~100 MeV (in principle)



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Barger, Fleming, Phillips [Phys.Lett. B371 (1996) 111-116]:

 $^{66}\psi + W$ production offers a clean test of the color-octet mechanism, $_{22}$

Li, Song, Zhang, Ma [Phys. Rev. D 83, 014001 (2011)]:

⁶⁶ including the NLO QCD corrections up to the $\alpha_s^3 v^7$ order, there are only color-octets $c\bar{c}[{}^{1}S_0^{(8)}], c\bar{c}[{}^{3}S_1^{(8)}]$ and $c\bar{c}[{}^{3}P_J^{(8)}] (J = 0, 1, 2)$, but no color-singlet contribution exists in the $pp \rightarrow J/\psi + W + X$ process. Therefore, the $J/\psi + W$ production at the LHC is an ideal ground to study the COM.



Lansberg, Lorce, [Phys.Lett. B726 (2013) 218-222, Phys.Lett. B738 (2014) 529-529] point out that this is not necessarily the case:

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We have shown that the LO CSM contributions to direct $J/\psi + W^{\pm}$ are not negligible compared to the contribution arising from CO transitions which were previously thought to be dominant.



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A strength of the general purpose detectors like ATLAS is triggering on and reconstructing vector bosons:



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Using 4.5 fb⁻¹ of 7 TeV pp collision data, select W($\rightarrow \mu \nu$) boson candidates with a J/ ψ ($\rightarrow \mu \mu$) candidate in the same event.

(Additional ID criteria applied to suppress fake-W backgrounds: purity over efficiency)



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A signal?

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Assessment of backgrounds from QCD multijet, $B_c \rightarrow J/\psi \ \mu^{\pm}\nu X$, top production, W+b signal leakage, mis-reconstructed Z, combinatorics.

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W + prompt J/ ψ backgrounds

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Yields from two-dimensional fit			
Process	Barrel	Endcap	Total
Prompt J/ψ	$10.0^{+4.7}_{-4.0}$	$19.2^{+5.8}_{-5.1}$	$29.2^{+7.5}_{-6.5}(*)$
Non-prompt J/ψ	$27.9^{+6.5}_{-5.8}$	$13.9^{+5.3}_{-4.5}$	$41.8^{+8.4}_{-7.3}$
Prompt background	$20.4_{-5.1}^{+5.9}$	$18.8\substack{+6.3\\-5.3}$	$39.2^{+8.6}_{-7.3}$
Non-prompt background	$19.8^{+5.8}_{-4.9}$	$19.2^{+6.1}_{-5.1}$	$39.0^{+8.4}_{-7.1}$
<i>p</i> -value	8.0×10^{-3}	1.4×10^{-6}	2.1×10^{-7}
Significance (σ)	2.4	4.7	5.1

(*) of which 1.8 ± 0.2 originate from pileup

This is a rare process! One of the rarest that could have been discovered in the Run-1 LHC dataset.

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W+prompt J/ ψ data can arise from single parton scattering processes, but double parton scattering may also play a role!





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DPS $d\sigma_{W+J/\psi}$

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Determine expected rate of DPS if σ_{eff} is as for Wjj production ~ 15 mb

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 $d\sigma_{W+J/\psi}^{\text{DPS}} = \frac{d\sigma_W \otimes d\sigma_{J/\psi}}{\sigma_{\text{eff}}}$

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 $\Delta \phi(W, J/\psi)$

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Estimate DPS contribution to the signal using the data

This is *not* a fit!



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W + prompt J/ ψ production rates

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Correcting for detector effects / efficiencies can extract rate:



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Can go further and measure differential rate, DPS component re-evaluated from data in each p_T interval



Both single and double parton scattering components observed in data

(f_{DPS}≈40%!)

Searching for $Z+J/\psi$ production

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 J/ψ invariant mass [GeV]

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Extract signal, split by prompt/non-prompt, and assess backgrounds. Double parton scattering component again estimated from data and crosschecked on azimuthal angular correlation distribution





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Measure differential rate versus J/ ψ p_T for prompt and non-prompt production



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Probe of low b-quark p_T in Z+b

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Can extract limits on maximum DPS / lowest $\sigma_{\rm eff}$ from fit to data

 $Z + J/\psi$: limits on σ_{eff}







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Use data-driven approach to derive kinematic templates for DPS contribution



DPS from J/ ψ candidates event-mixing seeded by DPS-enriched $\Delta y \ge 1.8$ and $\Delta \phi \le \pi/2$ region.

Normalisation of DPS fixed from data in DPS-enriched region.

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Total prompt J/ ψ pair differential production rates (and DPS estimate):



Prompt J/\psi pair production rates

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Data-driven DPS compared to LO DPS prediction Phys. Rev. D 95, 034029 (2017)

Fraction of DPS from data-driven est. ~9%

SPS NLO^{*} singlet predictions (HELAC-Onia) describe data: some discrepancies at low p_{τ} and high mass



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ATLAS



New associated production measurements reveal interesting patterns



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arXiv:1707.04350

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Finally seeing breakdown of basic picture of double parton interactions?



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arXiv:1705.03374; JHEP

Simultaneous fit to d_0 significance / BDT output (*trained against instrumental backgrounds*) for signal third muon yields in high-lifetime J/ ψ selection



bb production: Pythia model comparison

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arXiv:1705.03374; JHEP

Differential rates compared to Pythia with different gluon splitting parameters Pythia8 does not reproduce shapes of the angular distributions very well p_T -based splitting kernels give a better description at low ΔR (options 1,4)



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Herwig++ generally better description than Pythia8

MG5_aMC 4-flavour and 5-flavour sit on either side of the data

4-flavour closer in shape to the data



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Probing higher p_T:

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Differences between MF5 4-flavour and MG5 5-flavour emphasised

MG5 5-flavour moving further from data (and similar to Sherpa)



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For Δ y MG5 and Sherpa both give a good description

Herwig++ and Pythia perform poorly as Δy increases

No single generator is able to well-describe all bb spectra studied (more in paper): best overall MG5_aMC 4-flavour



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Associated light scalar Higgs boson mixing with SM Higgs (W+J/ ψ):



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- Rare Higgs decays: direct probe of quark Yukawa couplings (Z+J/ ψ):



e.g. arXiv:1407.0695, arXiv:1406.7102

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New light states with rare quarkonia decays (Z+J/ ψ , di-J/ ψ):



Yad. Fiz. 46 (1987) 864-868. [Sov. J. Nucl. Phys.46,493(1987)].

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Predict rich spectroscopy of exotic doubly-hidden charm/beauty tetraquarks



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Associated production of heavy flavour a (relatively) rare process that ATLAS is well-suited to explore:

- New tests of QCD HF calculations
- Novel probes of aspects proton structure
- Complementary tests of W/Z+b-quark production
- Future sensitivity to rare decays of Higgs, new light scalars, quark Yukawa couplings, exotic tetraquarks...

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